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The Warramunga's War by Greg Kater is a gripping tale of war that features political intrigue, espionage at its best, and a friendship that develops in unusual circumstances. In a story set against the backdrop of WWII, we encounter two compelling characters: Jamie Munro, a young Australian officer, and the half-Warramunga aboriginal, Jack O'Brien. Jamie gets wounded in the war and Jack rescues him. Both of them get conscripted by MI6 and embark on an adventure that will involve dealing terrible blows to the enemy, and Jack getting involved in an intense romantic relationship with a French-Syrian girl he meets in Cairo. But there is more to this narrative.

This is a story that is balanced and deftly handled. The historical setting is well explored and readers will feel as though they are revisiting history, thanks to the author's ability to evoke a historical event that has been part of the journey of many nations. The international, physical setting is also well-developed and it is most fitting when it comes to establishing political themes and conflict. The characters are exceptional, real, and likeable. Each character comes off the page strongly, with a solid background, and readers can see the role they play in the story, see them in the conflict, and sense the depth of their humanity. This narrative has both emotional and psychological depth, and it will be easy for readers to feel connected with the characters. One gets the impression that Greg Kater must have put a lot of research into this novel, because of its resounding realism and relevant historical details. The Warramunga's War is an utterly enjoyable read.