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Description:

Review Wi-Fi was a huge success. But knowing how the story ends doesn't take away any of the wonder and enjoyment of reading a first-hand account of how it all came to be...and thanks to Hills and his team at Carnegie Mellon, we have a technology that...we don't really have to think much about. - James Floyd Kelly, Wired.com

This fine book, the memoir of a pioneer in the development of Wi-Fi, will interest a wide variety of readers: hams, technogeeks...and anyone in search of a good read. Alex Hills...writes beautifully, with an appealing style of clarity and authority. He is also humble, eschewing the title of inventor of Wi-Fi that some have given him. But he has much to be proud of. - Bill Klykylo, CQ

So many readers ask me about Wi-Fi that I've hunted down the answers, once and for all, from the nation's most expert experts. In the mid-1990s Alex Hills built a huge wireless network at Carnegie Mellon University that became the prototype for modern Wi-Fi networks--a story he tells in his book *Wi-Fi and the Bad Boys of Radio*. - David Pogue, Scientific American

Dr. Hills has now written a book, *Wi-Fi and the Bad Boys of Radio*, that supplies an engaging look at a key moment...in the history of wireless...there's a little technology here, but that's delightfully mixed with personal anecdotes, an interesting cast of characters, and, again, some history we really don't want to lose. - Craig Mathias, Network World

This fascinating and little known story is the subject of a new book, *Wi-Fi and the Bad Boys of Radio*...it's the account of how Hills, with the help of his team and overseas colleagues, overcame major obstacles to create the world's first wireless campus at CMU, an unfathomable idea in 1993. - Deb Smit, Innovation

From the Inside Flap "After bringing modern communications to Alaska's Native villages, Dr. Alex Hills continued on to make great contributions in the world of wireless technology. Dr. Hills is a fine writer and teacher, so I have no doubt that his book will be both fascinating and entertaining."
-- Walter J. Hickel, (1919-2010),
former United States Secretary of Interior

"I know of no one so capable of telling the Wi-Fi story and explaining so clearly how the technology works. Alex Hills is certain to capture the public imagination with this new book."
-- Jim Geier, Principal Consultant, Wireless-Nets, Ltd. and Wi-Fi author

"Alex Hills has contributed to the developing world and to developing advanced wireless technology at one of the world's most techsavvy universities. Working on both frontiers, Dr. Hills pioneered wireless Internet and launched a revolution in the way the world communicates. His story of how we "cut the cord" begins in a place where there were no cords to begin with -- remote Alaska."
-- Mead Treadwell, Lieutenant Governor of Alaska and
former Chair, United States Arctic Research Commission

"Being from Alaska, I am aware of the great contributions Dr Alex Hills made to my state in building its communication systems. Later, I discovered the importance of his Wi-Fi work through an article about him in The Economist. Alex's work has raised the quality of a lot of people's lives, including mine."
-- Steve Cowper, former Governor of Alaska

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