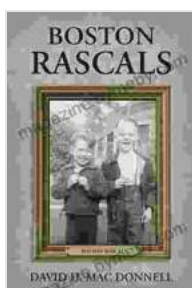


# Boston Rascals: The Unforgettable Story of the City's Most Notorious Gang

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## Boston Rascals by Stefan Ecks

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Ecks traces the Rascals' rise to power through the city's turbulent history, from the chaos of the Civil War to the Roaring Twenties. He shows how the

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*Boston Rascals* is a gripping and unforgettable account of one of the most notorious gangs in American history. Ecks' meticulous research and vivid storytelling bring the Rascals to life, providing a fascinating glimpse into the dark side of Boston's past.

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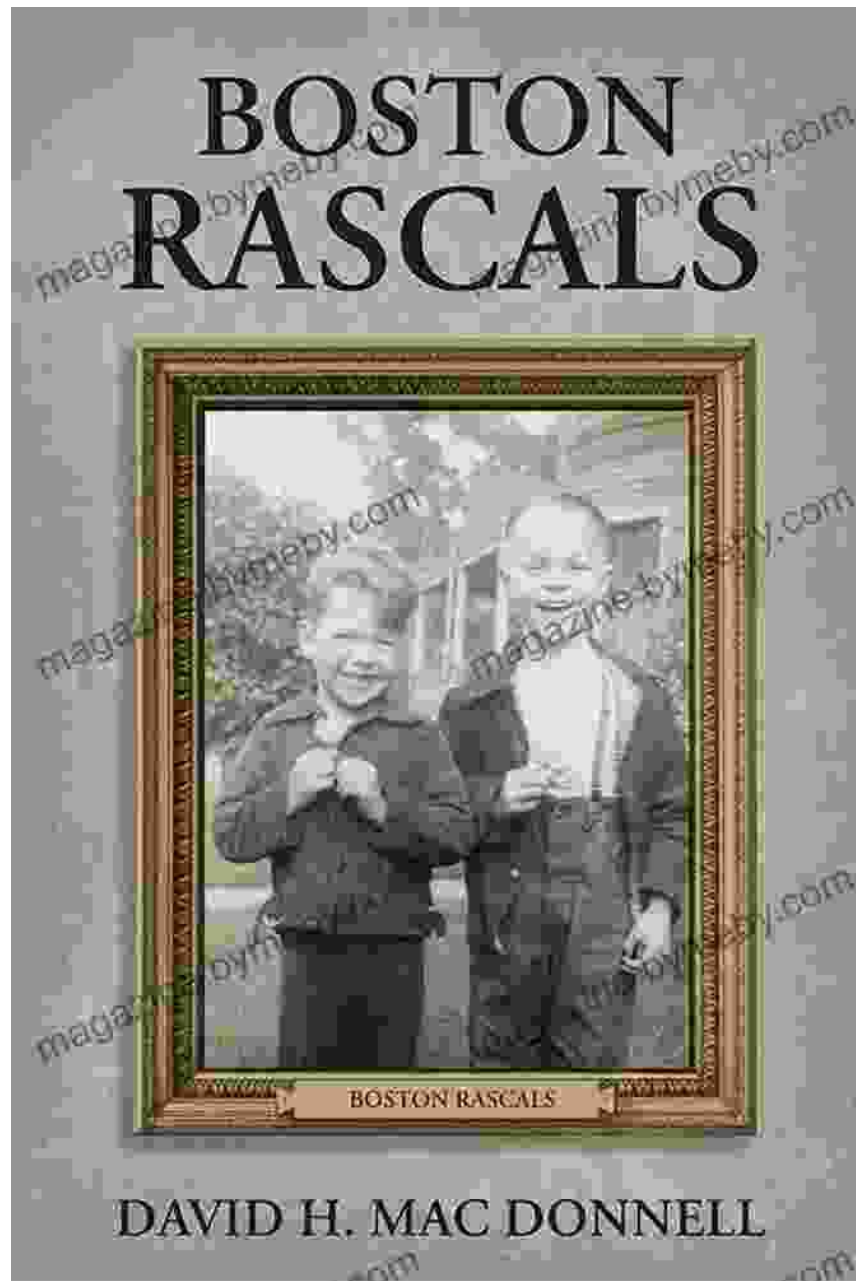
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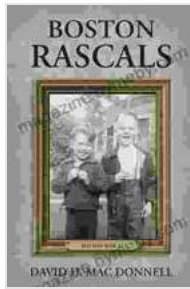
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