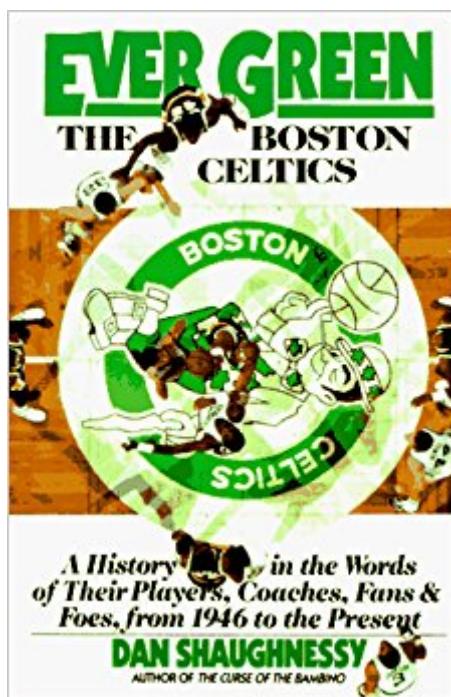


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# **Ever Green The Boston Celtics: A History In The Words Of Their Players, Coaches, Fans And Foes, From 1946 To The Present**



## **Synopsis**

Now in paperback, Ever Green captures in words and vintage photos the special mystique of basketball's greatest dynasty and celebrated its forty-five years of existence. Ever Green recounts the complete story of the Celtics, from the troubled early years through their amazing string of championships to the triumphs--and low moments--of the 1970s and 80s. Dan Shaughnessy records the team's history in the voice of everyone from its stars and coaches to the beloved benchwarmers, the Celtic fans, and rival players. Those interview include Bob Cousy, Satch Sanders, Sam Jones, K.C. Jones, Tom Heinsohn, John Havlicek, Dave Cowens, M.L. Carr, Gene Conley, Hank Finkel, Kevin McHale, Dennis Johnson, Danny Ainge, Larry Bird, and Red Auerbach.

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"The Celtics are The Celtics. We're the target. When we go into a town, they are sold out. They are ready."--Red Auerbach

Dan Shaughnessy is a sports columnist for The Boston Globe. A native of Groton, Massachusetts, and a graduate of Holy Cross College, he lives in Newton with his wife, Marilou, and children, Sarah, Kate, and Sam. His previous books are One Strike Away and The Curse of the Bambino.

Dan Shaughnessy is a skilled writer with an endless knowledge of Boston sports, so this Celtics history, written nearly 20 years ago, is a fun, fast read with some interesting tidbits and quotes. But he told the entire history of the NBA's most storied franchise in less than 250 pages, and it just wasn't sufficient. This book had been sitting in my book case for about 15 years, and as a lifelong

Celtics fan looking for a light read, I finally decided to pick it up. And I'm glad I did. Shaughnessy provided some good anecdotes about the early years of the Celtics franchise and how he managed to land Bob Cousy and Bill Russell. There were also some great quotes from Auerbach, Cousy, Heinsohn, Havlicek, Bird, etc. The problem was, I wanted more. Shaughnessy's "Curse of the Bambino," a history of the Red Sox, was also a little too short, but there were far fewer big games to describe. The Celtics had won 16 championships when this book was written, and the book was begging for more info on some of the critical series, games and moments. So as an overview of the Celtics for those with limited knowledge of the team's history, the book is pretty good. It's an enjoyable read. But for a big Celtics fan looking to experience the major moments of the 1960s and 70s, this will barely quench your thirst.

THIS IS A BOOK ABOUT THE HISTORY OF THE BOSTON CELTICS. IT IS NOT GREATLY DETAILED BUT IT IS A MUST READ FOR ALL CELTIC AND BASKETBALL FANS. IT COVERS A SEASON BY SEASON LOOK AT ALL THE CHAMPIONSHIP YEARS AND HOW THE TEAMS WERE OUT TOGETHER. THE AUTHOR GIVE US AN OVERALL VIEW OF HOW THE TEAM WAS FOUNDED AND ALOT OF INFO CONCERNING RED AUERBACH. ALSO SOME OF THE LEAN YEARS ARE COVERED ALONG WITH SOME STORIES TOLD BY EX-PLAYERS AND COACHES CONCERNING THE CELTIC DYNASTY. VERY RECOMENDED

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