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The return to Lausitzring a year and a half later to complete the 13 laps that I missed after my accident.  
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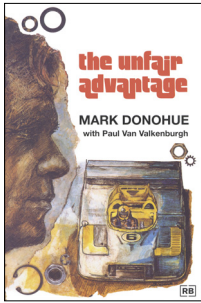
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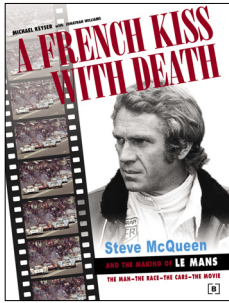
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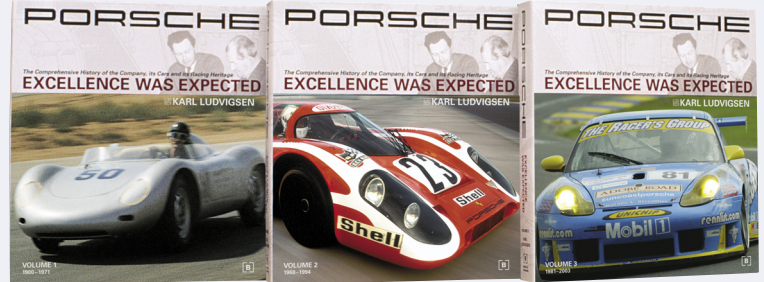


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