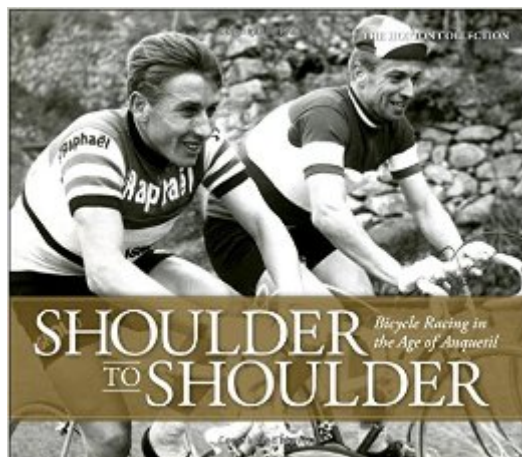


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# Shoulder To Shoulder: Bicycle Racing In The Age Of Anquetil



## Synopsis

With a comb in his pocket, his glamorous blonde wife by his side, and an unyielding will backed by blazing speed, Jacques Anquetil became cycling's leading ambassador as the sport left behind the post-war era of Fausto Coppi to embrace the promise of the freewheeling sixties. *Shoulder to Shoulder* ushers us into the zenith of Anquetil's career with a fully restored collection of rare and valuable photographs. With the methodical son of Normandy in the lead, cycling's professional peloton races through Europe's capital cities and up its mountainous pathways, laying a path to a cosmopolitan era of unlimited possibilities. Presenting more than 100 brilliant imagesâ•most unseen since their original publication in the magazines and newspapers of the dayâ•*Shoulder to Shoulder* showcases the rise of a generation of cycling superstars whose gutsy riding and easy style founded the modern era of professional bike racing. Great names in these pages include Rik van Looy, Tom Simpson, Raymond Poulidor, Jan Janssen, Miguel Poblet, Rudi Altig, Federico Bahamontes, Jean Stablinski, Gastone Nencini, Jean Graczyk, and many more. With an appendix of explanatory notes for each photo, a sewn, lay-flat binding, and premium acid-free paper, *Shoulder to Shoulder* will be an enduring addition to every cycling enthusiast's library.

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Imagine for a moment that you had a friend, a guy really into cycling, especially the "Golden Age of Cycling" that we hear so much about. This guy, Brett, invites you over to his house to look at some photos he has. These are not just any photos and Brett's not just any cycling fan. This is a guy who has begged, borrowed or stolen(?) all kinds of cycling memorabilia and he wants to share it with

you. With a copy of *Shoulder to Shoulder* in your lap it's almost like you've been invited to his house to see his photos without ever leaving your comfy couch and your Campari & soda. 106 pages of black & white photos of the greats of cycling are yours to enjoy. Most of these rare photos capture the raw, youthful humanity of these legends of cycling, something that's often lost these days. My only complaint is the notes in the back about each photo. It would be fine if Brett were there with you, sharing a Campari & soda while describing each one, but instead you have to flip back and forth from photo to detailed note/caption. A copy of this book was provided by velopress for review purposes

This book is a great follow up to the previous book, "Goggles and Dust". Thoroughly enjoy the addition of the notes section in the back of the book as well. A fantastic gift for my husband.

My son and I really enjoyed the selection of photographs. Their age puts into perspective how much pro cycling has changed over the decades.

I got this for my 76 year old bicycle-loving dad for Christmas. He spent several hours immersed in it. A great book for bike lovers.

Growing up in the 60s in France with cycling, this rekindled my interest in that great era of cycling.

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