

SEASONS PAST BASEBALL

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Initial Draft is History

Hello everyone,

Our first player draft is now history. As you know the draft took place on Saturday October 10, 1992 and enclosed you will find the rosters of all the teams. I hope that you are pleased with the players you received and if not well, "Wait till next year".

Trade Deadline Nears

Since we still plan to commence season play on November 1, 1992, the time window for making trades will be quite small. If you make a trade, it must be reported to me at the league office by midnight daylight savings time Saturday October 24, 1992. The final roster disks will be mailed to you on Sunday October 25, 1992, so you should all receive your copy by November 1, 1992. There will be no exceptions to this policy as the disks cannot be altered after the initial distribution.

To report a trade, BOTH managers must contact me to confirm the deal. This can be done by phone or mail as long as you meet the deadline. However, I will be out of town from October 18 till late October 24, so phone calls will need to be left on my answering machine. I should be back home late on the 24th, so you could still catch me by midnight.

Series Reporting

Please make sure that you understand the stats reporting procedures that were discussed in the last newsletter. Remember, we are intending to maximize the power of your computers and our stat reporting procedures are intended to accomplish that. If you have any questions please contact John Turnbull, Jeff Nicholson, or myself.

Player Limits

After looking at the distribution of players after the initial draft, it is obvious that some adjustments in player usage is required. Here is what we will use:

Batters Limits

130 or more games: No limit except for injuries.
400 to 499 AB's : 499 AB's
300 to 399 AB's : 399 AB's
200 to 299 AB's : 299 AB's
100 to 199 AB's : 199 AB's
1 to 99 AB's : 99 AB's

Pitcher Limits:

Starting pitchers with an ERA of 4.75 or higher will be allowed a maximum of 25 starts. They will still be limited to the actual number of relief appearances. If a starter with an ERA of 4.75 or higher and he actually started 25 or more games, he is only limited to his actual number of starts. This should permit everyone to have 156 starts without giving any advantage.

Future Season Diskettes

In case some of you were wondering where the old season disks come from, myself, Gary Plunkitt, and Luke Kraemer have been producing them for the past four years. Which brings me to a difficult issue—the cost of the season disks. Luke, who is our business manager, will be offering leagues a discounted rate to purchase the season disks. As some of you may know, each season is priced at \$15.00 with discounts for multiple purchases. The discounted price for leagues will also include a bonus to the league champion of one (1) free season disk of his/her choice. This policy will not be in effect for our league until we begin the 1955 season. As for the 1954 disk that each of you will receive, I will let your conscious guide you on that issue. Luke will be sending everyone a copy of the latest newsletter which announces the availability of the 1951 season. If your are interested in contacting Luke about any of the past seasons available, here is his address: Luke Kraemer 625 N.W. Waterhouse Beaverton, OR 97006 (503)645-3550. I hope no one feels that this league is a self-serving effort. Quite the contrary, John Turnbull and I have discussed a league such as ours for several years. I only think that it is fair for us to operate under the same conditions as other leagues which are forming. Of course if you already own a season that we are scheduled to play, you would not be expected to purchase it again.

Backup Managers

We currently only have a cadre of the 14 original managers on board. This leaves us in a precarious position should someone unfortunately drop out. If you have any other friends or gamers would would like to be on our back up list, please let me know who they are. Also please check the address list for accuracy. I apologize for any misspellings or other errors that you may have brought to my attention. Steve, I hope you realize how I got your address wrong.

1954 Home Runs By Ballpark

Baltimore	54	Brooklyn	186
Boston	123	Chicago	159
Chicago	94	Cincy	147
Cleveland	156	Milwaukee	139
Detroit	90	New York	186
New York	133	Philly	102
Philly	94	Pittsburgh	76
Wash	81	St.Louis	119

Injuries/Pitchers Rest

There have been several questions directed toward the handling of injuries and starting pitchers rest. There is what we will do:

- o Injuries WILL NOT carry over into the next series. They will only be in effect for the series in which they occurred.
- o Starting pitchers MUST have 3 days rest between starts. This means a pitcher can start game #1 and #5 of a series if you wish him to.

League Constitution

I will be putting together a league constitution for distribution to everyone. I ask that everyone prepare a list of ideas or suggestions that you would like to see included in our league. Now is the time for us to set up the rules which will govern us for the next several years. I look forward to hearing from you as I am sure there are many concepts out there that I could never dream of. Let me know what you are thinking!

ROSTER SHEETS

I am currently working on putting together roster sheets for each team that will list all limitations for every player in the league. This will be mailed with the final season disk on October 25, 1992. If there are any questions regarding player limits please contact me. The intent of the limits is to allow maximum flexibility balanced against achieving accurate stats.