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In this corner...the editors

New set of pitchers' cards can now be purchased

Letters, informing unhappy Strat-O-Matic Baseball gamers that a special set of pitchers' cards can be purchased, have not been sent to everyone, it turns out. Only those who have written the game company and expressed their displeasure have been notified of the availability of another set.

At first the Review editors thought that anyone who purchased the baseball cards would be notified--but that isn't the case. But you won't have to be informed via letter from S-O-M that you can purchase such a set of cards, however.

"We are selling the special set of pitchers' cards to those people who have complained to us about the four-column [all pitchers have their hits, walks, etc.--or the bulk of 'em--in the four-column]. The letters we are sending out will go to just those people. Anyone can buy the extra set, but we are not notifying everyone about it," says Harold Richman, S-O-M's creator. "Officially, the first set of cards is the regular set; the second set is an extra."

Gamers wishing to purchase that extra set (168 pitchers, advanced version only), can now write to S-O-M. The cards are available. Cost is \$2.00 and a handling fee [\$1 for orders \$5 or under, \$1.25 for orders \$5.01-10.00, \$1.50 for orders \$10.01-15.00 and \$1.75 for orders \$15.01 or more]. One person may want to place 10, 15 to 20 orders for a league and the handling cost would be a maximum of \$1.75.

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Orders for the special set of pitchers' cards should be sent to: Strat-O-Matic Game Co., Inc., 46 Railroad Plaza, Glen Head, NY 11545.

Some advanced features for 1956 season

The 1956 baseball season, which S-O-M plans to have ready next year, will include many of the advanced features such as throwing and "E" ratings for fielders.

S-O-M has, however, refused to comment on whether righty-lefty batting and pitching would be incorporated on the new cards. But it didn't rule out the possibility--so that's a plus.

The 1956 season, you will remember, was the choice of Review readers as to what past season they would like to see printed. All 16 teams--eight in each league--will be printed. In the American League it was the Mickey Mantle Show as the Yankee superstar won the triple crown (.353, 52 home runs, 130 RBI), while the N.L. was marked by a tight pennant race that saw the Brooklyn Dodgers edge Milwaukee by a game and Cincinnati by two.

Much research is planned for this summer and S-O-M reports that when the new cards are again available in late January, the 'new' will also include the first of the 'old' seasons to be reproduced in its entirety.

Price of Review goes up in Canada

Beginning with the June issue of the Review, the cost to subscribers in Canada will be going up. Actually the subscription price will remain the same, but it's the mailing costs that will have to be raised.

Because mailings in Canada involve extra cost and because the number of subscribers has increased to the point where the Review cannot afford to absorb the loss (on each issue mailed to Canada), the following increases are necessary: A three-month subscription will cost \$2.60, six-month \$4.50 and for a year, \$8.25.

Cost increases go into effect for new subscribers or those renewing starting with the June issue, 1981. It is not retroactive.

Review's readership at all-time high

The Review staff, on a more pleasant note, wishes to thank all its subscribers for their patronage. Without you, the subscriber, there would not be a Strat-O-Matic Review.

Last month's subscriptions were the most ever as close to 1,900 copies of the Review were mailed out. In fact, the original order from the printer fell far short of meeting the demand and an extra 275 copies had to be printed.

The Review thanks you for your continued support.

Poll coming in June

The promised poll to find out what gamers think about the "four-column" pitchers' cards will be coming your way in the June issue. It will run three months and then the results will be forwarded to the Strat-O-Matic Game Company.

If the poll is unfavorable regarding the column change--which it appears it will be from all the negative comments both S-O-M and the Review have received--then the game company will go back to its old pattern format in 1982.

Hopefully, by June most gamers will have had a chance to use the new cards extensively, give them a fair test and will have formed an opinion on that basis.

Who were those guys?

No, the picture of the GKSM (Greater Kalamazoo Strat-O-Matic League) in the April issue was not taken on a foggy night in London. It was a color photograph, however, the kind that does not reproduce well. So, at the conclusion of the current season, the GKSM will try again.

Next time the picture will be black-and-white--the only type that will reproduce clearly--and will include all 10 members of the GKSMML.

While on the topic of pictures, the welcome mat is always out to leagues to submit photos of its members, action on game night, etc. Just be sure the pics are black-and-white, or, if color, have a light background.

And, while on the topic of the GKSMML, the long-running league, now in its 21st Full-season replay, has reached the 100-game mark of a 154-game schedule, using the American League teams. Immediately upon completion of the A.L. season, the N.L. draft will be held and play commenced on No. 22.

STRAT FREAKS ONLY?

Ira Wolins of Philadelphia, PA, sent along part of a hockey program called Goal, which he purchased at a Philadelphia Flyer game this season. In the program was an article dealing with various hockey games: rod-controlled, computer and table-top.

The author of the piece, Steve Bloom, admits to being into S-O-M Baseball at one time. And, as part of his research for the article, he did send away for S-O-M Hockey, which was apparently the only board game that he examined. And it was far from a perusal examination, it turned out, as Bloom quickly got lost in the instructions ["I skimmed quickly through the rules"] and wound up penning a 10-inch story "For Strat Freaks Only" that was obviously whipped out quicker than the amount of time he spent reading the instructions.

Wolins was dismayed that such an article ever saw print, suggesting "I don't think he tried to actually learn the game. He could if he wanted to."

Unfortunately, Mr. Bloom seems to have spent the bulk of his research on computer games, or reminiscing about hockey games he created as a youngster--and not reading the instruction booklet for S-O-M Hockey. One of the games, a computer-version he was playing solitaire, had a score of 13-9, in the second period.

Hopefully the article won't or hasn't turned potential gamers off to S-O-M. And, hopefully, the author will find the time to give the instructions a thorough reading and become "turned on" to a game he dismissed as being "For Strat Freaks Only."

Readers roll 'em

THUMBS DOWN ON UNIFORMITY

I've been playing S-O-M Baseball for 10 years and I think that one of its most attractive features is the individuality of the player cards. This toying with uniformity on the advanced side is something I find very disturbing. Now all of a sudden the object of the game is to roll a 4-4.

I see no reason to spoon feed gamers who are too lazy to figure out how to recognize blue-chip pitchers from the cannon fodder.

I'm just glad our mail league uses the elementary side. A vigorous thumbs down on uniform pitchers patterns.

Al Mazeika
Tucson, AZ

CARDS ARE TOO THIN

This letter concerns the quality of the 1980 cards:

(1) Far too thin; you can see through them! This is terrible for durability, which is extremely important. (2) Cards are not cut uniformly. In past years, each team was cut beautifully the same. It looks too sloppy otherwise. (3) In some cards, the print was too light. (4) And the Dan and Dave Ford mix-up, like Dennis and Tippy Martinez (this may be the printer's fault, not S-O-M's).

It seems like each year when we pay more money, the quality gets worse. My big thing is card thickness and uniform cut. I realize they (S-O-M) may do this to keep cost

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down, but I'm sure most gamers would pay extra to get a quality set. I have written to S-O-M about this and I encourage everybody to do the same. It seems like this is the only way to change the current trend toward poor quality.

Dave Scheer
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Spencerport, NY

'MAJOR STEP BACKWARDS'

The new pitcher's cards' format is a major step backwards for the company (S-O-M). Who thought this up? It's hard for me to believe it's the same people who created such a great game to begin with.

The uniqueness and individuality of each card is what makes it so special to those who play it. Why opt for this bland sameness on the new pitcher's cards?

I'm very disappointed.
Bruce Helmkamp
Collinsville, IL

Editor's note: Hopefully the special set of pitchers' cards S-O-M has printed will right what many gamers consider a "wrong."

A '4' ISN'T ALWAYS 'GOLD'

It seems to me that discussion in recent Reviews concerning an abundance of "4" fielders these days, has neglected to mention one very important fact: In the "old" days a "4" fielder was very special, the "4" being all-inclusive, few errors and a lot of double plays.

But now, with the individualized ratings or "E" ratings, a "4" fielder is not necessarily Gold Glove material.

Take the 1984 card for Garry Templeton (1980 season). He may be a "4" fielder, but with his very high "E" rating I would hardly consider him among the best of all-time at shortstop, despite his "4." I feel it is this rating system that makes S-O-M so unique and at the head of the class in table games.

Turning to football, I think S-O-M should individualize the game more as in baseball (i.e., interception returns, fumbles and more special situations) when using a special defensive forma-

tion.

Bruce Helmkamp
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Collinsville, IL

HOCKEY'S HIS GAME

Since you last published anything from me, four letters concerning my thoughts were printed in the Review. I would like to reply.

[1] I hope to continue to be an analyst on the new hockey cards every year. I have heard great reviews. I am a devoted hockey nut (PBM commissioner of SOMHSL, 15-team, super advanced league) and follow hockey as closely as anyone.

[2] I feel badly regarding the Review's decision to let my idea for a hockey logo die. Hockey is an important part of S-O-M and it shows how the game company can adapt to a new sport quickly. If the Review would give the okay, I will get a professional artist (a personal friend) to draw a hockey player for the cover.

[3] As far as adding a little excitement to the Review, I feel the reason why it isn't rated a "40" is because of the terrible lack of consistency. Coming next month, for example, was a total disaster in the Feb. Review as only two articles were published next month. What is going on? Also, apparently S-O-M would rather not take the time to submit a column every month, so only bits and pieces from the game company appear. I have been to the game company a number of times and had many lengthy phone conversations with workers who take the time to give me an explanation of the frequently asked question: "Why?" I am sure if the Review told the game company that readers would like to hear from it, S-O-M would send in some literature every now and then.

[4] The Review does a good job of keeping us in the season of the sport in which the cards are in. We should all give it [Review] credit for this.

Larry Scotti

Editor's note: Okay, Larry, we give in--we'll have a logo of a hockey player by next fall.

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OLYMPIC HOCKEY WANTED

I wish that S-O-M would create a 1980 Olympic hockey set; even if it could only make the United States.

My suggestion is, make a set containing the teams in the medal round: U.S., Russia, Sweden and Finland. I think my fellow gamers would agree that the set would sell very well.

Dan Verdun
Odell, IL

CHOP...CHOP...CHOP

I would like to comment on Ed Grant's "How to Produce the Review Report." [March, 1981]. First of all, I don't see how Mr. Grant's criticism of the Review can rightfully be called "constructive." Constructive criticism is one thing, but cutting the Review down left and right is another.

To Ed's first suggestion of two different Review, one for baseball and one for winter sports, if Ed is so concerned with the Review being "unappealing," why doesn't he and some of his friends take up the responsibility of producing one of them? We can see how well he does.

As for the playing tips and questions being eliminated completely, has anyone else complained because there were too many playing tips? What puzzles me is that Ed is disgusted with playing tips, and then in his letter he requests that readers contribute more to the Review. Most of the playing tips do come from the readers.

He even emphasizes that "an exchange of ideas is very important." That's exactly what playing tips are, an exchange of ideas.

Secondly, as for readers producing "quality, creative articles," not every Strat-O-Matic gamer has a Bachelor's Degree in journalism.

Also, let's not over exaggerate the issue of the appearance of the Review. The Review is simply supposed to be a way to bring all of the S-O-M gamers together in a unique way. Ed makes this seem like the publica-

tion should be run like the Wall Street Journal. The Newells should be complimented for their time and effort in producing this magazine for 10 years. Not many people could do something like that for such a long time.

If the Review is in doubt as to its condition, maybe a poll could be taken asking subscribers their opinions and suggestions, if they have any. Certainly, the response would be an overwhelming support of how the Review is doing at this time.

I think Ed's cutdowns were totally irrelevant to what the views of the readers really are. I think Ed should try to be himself, Ed Grant, instead of trying to play Lou Grant.

Scott Toman
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BRING BACK THE OLD SYSTEM

After playing 96 games in the GKSM, of which the editors of this publication are members, I have formed a strong opinion regarding the new pattern on the pitching cards. I hope by the time our league gets into its National League replay, the old system of random patterns will be available. S-O-M, in other words, made a mistake.

Sports Illustrated ran a story a few months back about sports table gamers and games. The story described S-O-M as having an "arcane" system of rating cards--or mysterious. This fits in with the excitement I have waiting for the new cards and finally seeing them.

Sometimes I would be mad that a favorite player had a bad card and sometimes I would rejoice that my rookie would have a great card.

By simplifying the cards, S-O-M has taken away most of this excitement. No longer will it be fun waiting for the cards. If I had wanted a simple game, there are many of those out there. Your game gave me a chance to be a manager and the chance to decide myself who the better players were.

This is not a fatal mistake. We still love the game and once the adjusted cards come out all will be forgiven.

Jeff Kik
Kalamazoo, MI

Baseball playing tips

Editor's note: The following playing tips were submitted by Kevin Kataoka of Hayward, CA, who's a member of a league that plays at a local game store. The Games Gallery in general and Chris Larue in particular were responsible for many of the tips below. The "warming up" of relief pitchers is a tip the Review editors have not encountered before.

RELIEVERS--WARMING UP

A reliever that enters a game should be warmed up. A manager may have at most two pitchers warmed or warming up at any given time. At the beginning of an inning a manager may announce that one or two pitchers are warmed up. After the inning has begun a manager may announce that one or two pitchers are warming up and those pitchers will be warmed up as soon as two batters take their at-bats.

If a pitcher isn't warmed up, he's considered cold and all outs with dots turn into "single*#" for the first two batters.

Strict starters may relieve, except it takes three batters to warm up. They're considered as "0 inning" endurance.

A reliever may pitch to seven batters without resting. However, on the eighth batter he must rest the following game. If he pitches to 15 batters: two games; 2-3 batters: three games, etc.

ADDITIONAL INJURIES

If a 1-1-1, 2-2-2 or 3-3-3 result is rolled (also the batter's normal injury number) there is an injury possibility. Add the batter's at-bats and walks. Then roll two dice. Take the lower number (if you roll doubles, take one number) and times that by 100. If the batter's plate appearances is in a higher hundred bracket, that batter isn't injured.

For example, let us say that the 1979 Mark Belanger is batting and a 3-3-3 is rolled. Add his at-bats and walks ($198 + 29 = 227$). Let us say you rolled a five and a two. $Two \times 100$ equals 200. Belanger is in the "200" bracket and must roll on the injury chart. If you rolled a five and a one ($one \times 100$ equals 100), Belanger, being in the "200" bracket, wouldn't be hurt.

If a player (such as Pete Rose) has over 700 plate appearances, he can never be hurt (Rose played all his games that year anyway!). This injury system solves the problem of those overused extra players with the .300-plus batting averages.

If a 4-4-4, 5-5-5 or 6-6-6 is rolled, then a defensive player could be hurt. Draw a split card to see who is hurt and then use the below injury check method:

<u>Split No.</u>	<u>Position Injured</u>	<u>Split No.</u>	<u>Position Injured</u>
1, 11	Pitcher	6, 16	Shortstop
2, 12	Catcher	7, 17	Left Field
3, 13	First Base	8, 18	Center Field
4, 14	Second Base	9, 19	Right Field
5, 15	Third Base	10, 20	Tired pitcher or tired catcher (if any)

Note that a catcher can be tired after catching nine full innings. All games injured should be doubled when that occurs.

For pitchers, using the above injury system, a starter counts every 50 innings as 100 plate appearances. A reliever counts every 25 innings as 100 plate appearances.

Kataoka made one last playing tip suggestion, a suggestion we've been hearing from a growing number of readers recently -- and that is for gamers to purchase 20-sided dice and die markers. They save a lot of time, since most dice-system split-number methods constantly call for re-rolls.

ECBA's yearbook 80-hour project

Around the East Coast Baseball Association in 80 hours could be the title of the ECBA's 1980 yearbook. That's what it took--80 hours of research and typing--to compile one of the best, if not the best, S-O-M yearbooks ever sent into the Review.

Larry Fryer, the innovative young table-gamer from Hamburg, PA, was the one responsible for putting together "nine pages of league statistics, 12 pages of individual team statistics, 12 pages of team stories, 11 pages of manager profiles, eight pages of post-season play, convention coverage, post-season awards section and another section devoted to ECBA records and champions..."

Each team's logo is on the cover, plus the 58-page booklet is jammed with pictures of real-life players (usually players who led their teams in some statistical category).

The basics on the league are that it consists of 12 managers, is PBM, and has just completed season No. 7. Basic side of the card is used, with various advanced rules such as catcher throwing, advanced bunting, etc. Players are retained from year-to-year (unless traded or deceased) and the ECBA has an annual rookie draft in which future big leaguers (and thus S-O-M leaguers) are drafted.

Managers are mostly found in the east, but Benny Min, Sherman Oaks, CA, breaks up the east coast monopoly. He's 19, a student at Berkeley, a two-year member of the ECBA and considers his greatest achievement in life thus far "surviving California." His favorite TV show, as the personality section of the ECBA's yearbook reveals, is "Get Smart."

ECBA'S MANAGERIAL LINEUP

Fryer, in case you are a new subscriber to the Review, is a frequent contributor to the Review ("How Should You Draft in Baseball"). He's a pioneer member of the ECBA and during that time has compiled a 627-507 record. Fryer's 23, a postal clerk and the player he'd most love to have on his team is Rickey Henderson.

Fryer became the ECBA's commissioner for the first time last year... and he also won the World Series for the first time. His Outcasts defeated perennial league champ Dan Hoffman's Twin Tier Titans in the World Series, sweeping the Titans in four games. Hoffman, 20 and a student at New York University, had won four straight ECBA titles before being dethroned by Fryer.

Hoffman's story is a rags to riches...riches and more riches one. His first ECBA team went 60-102 in 1973. He's had winners ever since, however, and overall his record is 744-390. Hoffman obviously can manage an S-O-M Baseball team much better than he can a car, as it took him four tries before he successfully passed his driving test.

Other ECBA managers and teams include: Tom Beltz, Shoemakersville, PA (Bootleggers), 25, laborer; Larry Mendelsohn, Buffalo, NY (Stallions), 19, student University of Chicago; Jim Beltz, Hamburg, PA (Orioles), 23, transportation manager; Jeff Gromis, Lancaster, PA (Badland's Bandits), 23, mechanical engineer; Kevin Fisher, Reading, PA (Willow Way Pythons), 26, mailman; Bill Cox, Elmira, NY (Elmira A's), 21, retail store manager; Ken Reaser, Reading, PA (Berks Thunderbolts), 28, machinist; Rick Zapf, Reading, PA (Exeter Express), 25, diesel mechanic.

NEW KING IS CROWNED

It took only four games for the Outcasts to oust the Twin Tier Titans in the World Series as relief ace Kent Tekulve earned three saves, won one game and was chosen Series MVP. Scores of the games were: 5-3, 4-2, 5-4 and 3-2, with Tekulve winning the second game and saving the other three.

Fryer combined the best of all worlds--hitting, pitching and speed--
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as the Outcasts dominated an all-star league composed of both American and National leaguers. For starters, Fryer had Gaylord Perry (24-7), Steve Rogers (23-9 plus a no-hitter), Ken Forsch (14-5); for relief, Tekulve (19 wins, 30 saves, 2.87 ERA); for hitting, Steve Kemp (.322), Oscar Gamble (.350), Paul Molitor (.307) and Keith Hernandez (.302); and for speed, leadoff hitter Willie Wilson was the team's catalyst, stealing 78 bases and batting .294. The team scored 918 runs for an average of 5.6.

There were many other highlights, too, with the summertime convention at Fryer's home certainly among them. The batting championship was decided by .0002--with Lou Whitaker edging out Fred Lynn, .3318 to .3316. One no-hitter occurred at the summer gathering [10 out of 12 managers were able to attend], with Bill Caudill of Ken Reaser's Berks Thunderbolts surprising the rest of the league, particularly his own manager, by notching one.

Caudill, incidentally, went on to win the "Dick Pole Award," which is given annually to the pitcher who best typifies the "pits of pitching]. Caudill went 2-19 (remember one of the two wins was a no-hitter) and had a 5.60 ERA. Bucky Dent, meanwhile, was given the other dubious honor --the "Jim Mason Award" for futility in hitting after batting all of .189.

Cy Young winner was J.R. Richard of the Orioles who went 28-13, struck out 351 in 350 innings and compiled a 2.80 ERA. Rookie of the Year was John Fulgham of the Titans who had a 20-4 record to go with a 2.27 ERA.

The Titans also had the best hitting team (.283) as well as sluggers (251 HRs) and led in runs scored (920). Fred Lynn (48 HRs, 129 RBI, .332), Mike Schmidt (45), Steve Garvey (36, league-leading 145 RBI, .317), Dave Parker (31), George Brett (23 triples) and Garry Templeton (233 hits) made for the most awesome offense in the ECBA.

Standings and leaders:

<u>American</u>		<u>Won-Lost</u>	<u>GB</u>	<u>Avg.</u>	<u>ERA</u>	<u>Batting</u>	
Twin Tier Titans		111 51	-	.283	3.35	Whitaker A'S	.3318
Paddock Stallions		97 65	14	.276	3.88	Lynn TTT	.3316
Orioles		95 67	16	.263	3.42	Lemon BOOT	.324
Badland's Bandits		88 74	23	.266	4.07	Kemp OUT	.322
Sherman Oaks Wolfpack		68 94	43	.259	4.30	Garvey TTT	.317
Willow Way Pythons		59 102	51½	.246	4.60	Murray A'S	.316
<u>National</u>						Templeton TTT	.316
Outcasts		109 53	-	.279	3.39		
B.A. Bootleggers		93 69	16	.277	3.70	<u>Home Runs</u>	
Elmira A's		90 72	19	.270	3.77	Lynn TTT	48
Chemung Cougars		71 91	38	.260	4.59	Kingman ORIO	45
Berks Thunderbolts		47 115	62	.256	4.63	Schmidt TTT	45
Exeter Express		43 119	66	.246	4.72	Thomas PYT	45
						Murray A'S	43
<u>RBI</u>		<u>Wins</u>			<u>ERA</u>		
Garvey TTT	145	Richard ORIO	28	Fulgham TTT	2.27		
Lynn TTT	129	Kravec TTT	26	Robinson A'S	2.61		
Baylor STA	126	Perry OUT	24	Richard ORIO	2.80		
Winfield STA	126	Rogers OUT	23	Tekulve OUT	2.87		
Kingman ORIO	125	Guidry BOOT	20	K.Forsch OUT	3.04		
Murray A'S	125	J.Niekro BOOT	20	R.Jones BAN	3.10		
		Fulgham TTT	20				
<u>Playoffs</u>		Flanagan ORIO	20	<u>Strikeouts</u>			
Outcasts d. Stallions, 3-1				Richard ORIO	351		
Titans d. Bootleggers, 3-1				Guidry BOOT	265		
				Carlton BAN	242		
<u>H:</u> Templeton TTT 233	<u>R:</u>	Lynn TTT	139	<u>SB:</u>	North EXP	108	
<u>2B:</u> Lemon BOOT 53	<u>IP:</u>	Richard ORIO	350		Wilson OUT	78	
<u>3B:</u> Brett TTT 23	<u>SH:</u>	Solomon A'S	5		Bannister T'B	78	
		Robinson A'S	5	<u>SA:</u>	Tekulve OUT	30	
					Sutter STA	24	

Advertisements

Rates per issue will be as follows: First 30 words - 60¢; 31-60 words - \$1.00; 61-100 words - \$1.50; 101-150 words - \$2.00; 151-200 words - \$3.25. When sending in ads, specify either WANTED, FOR SALE, LEAGUE FORMING, FOR TRADE, or CONTESTS. And name card sets by the year upon which they were based. Note also that only advertisements for Strat-O-Matic products, related merchandise (baseball guides, etc.) and leagues will be accepted. Merchandise competing with S-O-M products as well as photo-copied cards may not be offered for sale. Ads, to be included in the next issue of the Review, must be in by the third of the previous month. Late ads will be held over for inclusion the following month.

Wanted

WANTED: 1975 and prior Strat-O-Matic Football cards. Send years and prices to: Bill Isaac, 5510 Pearl Road, Parma, OH 44129 or call 216-888-0455

WANTED: All 18 1977-78 hockey teams. The set must be complete and in any condition. Will buy or trade with 1976, 1978, 1979 football or 1976-77, 1978-79 basketball. I will answer all who write. No collect calls. Bill Donnelly Jr., 82-062 Mountain View, Indio, CA 92201 [phone: 714-342-2068]

WANTED: Extra players for any of the following baseball teams: 1975 Boston Red Sox; 1971, '72, '73 Oakland A's. Send condition and price desired to: Ken Benn, P.O. Box 541, South Dennis, MA 02660

WANTED: 1972-73 basketball; 1971-72-73 baseball, complete, extra players a must! All teams should be in good condition and must be complete. I will meet all reasonable offers. Larry Salay, 3444 White Plains Road, Bronx, NY 10467

WANTED: Football teams - 1974 St. Louis Cardinals; 1972 Washington, Miami; 1973 Cincinnati; 1970 Giants, 49ers, Detroit; 1968 Jets. Contact: Dale Hayes, 334 N. 33rd #2, Lincoln, NE 68503

WANTED: 1970-1977 complete baseball sets, good to mint condition; extras if possible. Will pay any reasonable prices. Send prices to: John Voultos, 51 Woolsey, Glen Cove, NY 11542

WANTED: Baseball, complete sets, 1960 (first year cards were issued) -1977. Extras if available. Will pay any reasonable price. Send prices to: M. Mines, 4619 Sunflower Road, Apt. 125, Knoxville, TN 37919

WANTED: Topps baseball cards. I'll pay cash or trade from over 400 S-O-M Football and baseball teams, which include complete baseball sets from 1963-1968. I'm interested in any number of any player from any year, but the older the better. Call, write, or send cards to: Ron Smith, 9403 Becton Rd., Glen Allen, VA 23060 [phone: 804-270-9390]

WANTED: The following cards-- 1967: Carew, Scott, Gladding, Kaline, Marshall, Drabowski, McMahon; 1968: Barton, Elia, Dock Ellis, Granger, Jerry Johnson; 1969: extra players; 1970 Dean Chance; 1974: Belanger, Alex Johnson. I need many other teams and players. Have lots to trade or will pay cash. Will trade 1963 Orioles (very good) for one of the following 1963 teams (very good): Cards, Pirates, Giants, Braves, Yankees, Tigers, White Sox, Angels, Twins. Luke Kraemer, 2550 Yeager Rd. 7-8, West Lafayette, IN 47906 [phone: 317-463-4031]

WANTED: New York Blue Sox, a founding franchise of a league that went downhill, has a roster but no league to play in. Founded in 1978 as part of a draft PBM league, Blue Sox placed in cellar all three seasons. Detailed statistics were compiled and saved. Now I wish to save the franchise by

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"transferring" to an established PBM league, keeping Blue Sox roster as is. I'm willing to agree to any terms (league fee, player compensation, etc.) to save my team. For details, write: New York Blue Sox, c/o Beren, 3430 78th St., #6A, Jackson Heights, NY 11372 (phone: 212-458-8867)

For Sale

FOR SALE: The 1980 baseball advanced version scouting report. The report includes lefty/righty: batting averages, power points and on-base points for batters and pitchers. Save valuable time and become an expert manager by knowing each player's strengths and weaknesses. Plus a free bonus: the on-base percentage for each fielding rating on the X-Chart. To order yours, send \$5.00 to: David L. Smith, 11213 Fairfield Road West, Minnetonka, MN 55343

FOR SALE: Individual baseball teams 1968-75, complete sets 1973, 1974, 1975, also extras, singles and incomplete teams. Individual football teams 1967-1974. Send large SASE for price list to: Mike Barnd, 509 S. 5th St., Herrin, IL 62948

FOR SALE: S-O-M Football teams, 1967 through 1974. Condition good to excellent. I have a price in mind for each team and will sell either to the first person who meets my price, or to the highest bidder by the end of the month. Mike Bordelon, 5445 Braesvalley #724, Houston, TX 77096 (phone: 713-721-5465)

FOR SALE: How to play by mail! Comprehensive six-page report ready now. Send \$2.00 to: Bob Warsinski, 17471 Revere St., Southfield, MI 48076

FOR SALE: Football cards 1967-1979 complete sets AFL and NFL. Everything like new except 1967 (fair). Also schedules, S-O-M rosters, extra players, TSN Football Guides 1965-1979, plus more. Will sell to highest bidder after July 31. For a complete list and conditions of sale, send SASE to: David Eilering, RR #1, Box 144-B, Troy, IL 62294

FOR SALE: Baseball - complete sets including extra players, all very good to excellent condition: 1971 - \$125; 1972 - \$100; 1973 - \$80; 1974 - \$65; 1975 - \$55; 1976 - \$45. Basketball: 1972-73, mint condition, asking \$75. Football: 1972 - very good condition, asking \$60. Past Reviews: May, June, July, August 1971 - \$1.25 each; Jan., April through December, 1972 - \$1 each; 1973 complete - \$10; Jan-June, Sept.-Dec., 1973 - 90¢ each; 1974 complete - \$9; Jan.-August, 1974 - 80¢ each; Jan.-May, Sept.-Dec., 1975 - 75¢ each; 1972 S-O-M Directory, [3] 1973 S-O-M Directories - \$1 each. Douglas A. Smith, 4 Kings Court, Parsippany, NJ 07054 (phone: 201-334-4519)

FOR SALE: All football playoff teams from 1967 to 1977 and 1973 Bills. Super Bowl teams and 1973 teams, \$7.50 each. All other teams, \$5 each. Have doubles of most teams. John Napier, 62 S. Wolf, Apt. 312, Wheeling, IL 60090

FOR SALE: Baseball - 1963 complete set, missing one or two players per team. 13 1970 teams plus 15 Angels. Assorted complete teams from '70s and assorted players for '62, '63, '64, '65, '66 and '73. Football - 1969 Saints; 1973 Dolphins and complete 1974. Hockey - 1977-78 complete, original game. Basketball - 1973-74 Rockets and SuperSonics; '75-76 Spurs. More than willing to trade; best offer in trade or money by the 20th will be notified. Winner pays postage. SASE guarantees reply. Jeff Migchelbrink, 5611 Dunham Road, Maple Heights, OH 44137, or call 216-662-1315.

FOR SALE: S-O-M Basketball game, including the complete 1976-77 and 1977-78 set of teams and also 20 ABA stars. Roster sheets are included. Split deck and board are worn; condition otherwise is good to excellent. Sold as set only. Price is \$23.00 (includes postage and handling). Write to: Tony Spry, 126 Woodland Ave., East Orange, NJ 07017

FOR SALE: S-O-M Baseball newsletters #1-4 for 50¢ each issue. Issue #1 - many playing tips sure to improve your team; #2 - a draft

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report on the '79 season, plus who to draft for the future; #3 - when to stretch a hit and a draft report on the '78 season; #4 - how to play-by-mail along with information on how to get an S-O-M pen pal; #5 - will be out May 1, 1981. Joe Duffy, 60 Blanchard Road, Marlton, NJ 08053

FOR SALE: Baseball cards, complete sets with extras. Years: 1975-1979. Cost: \$15 per year. Call 1-314-635-5374 or write to: David Kaplan, 405 Church St., Jefferson City, MO 65101

FOR SALE: Announcing the trivia-master's new list of over 100 baseball teams for sale, 1966-present, over 70 before 1972! Send [SASE guarantees quick reply] to: Marc Jacobson, 11990 Ferndale St., Philadelphia, PA 19116

FOR SALE: 1972, 1974 and 1976 baseball teams. All teams are complete, in excellent condition and include extra players. Sold by year only. Also, football: 1970 Cowboys, Bengals; 1971 Cowboys; 1972 Cowboys. All complete and in excellent condition. Highest bid received by the end of this month wins. All letters will be answered. Send all bids and/or inquiries to: John Hooper, 2764 Stone Hollow Dr., Vienna, VA 22180

FOR SALE: 1975-79 baseball, as sets only. Extras. Mint. Highest bidder by end of month appearing. Trades considered. Larry Brans, 6545 N. Washtenaw, Chicago, IL 60645

FOR SALE: Baseball teams. Most teams in poor to average condition. The number in the [] is the number of players including additional players on each team. Half of cards have numbers written on them in pencil: 1971 - Red Sox [20], Orioles [20], White Sox [20], Braves [20], Brewers [20], Cards [20]; 1972 - Dodgers [24], Brewers [23], Yankees [24]; 1973 - Phillies [22], Expos [24], Cards [23], Mets [24], Pirates [24], Astros [23], Braves [23], Dodgers [24], Cubs [25], Giants [24], Padres [24], Indians [24], Red Sox [23], Brewers [23], Orioles [23], Royals [23], Rangers [24], Tigers [22], A's [24], Yankees [26], Twins [24], White Sox [24]; 1974 - Angels [20], Indians [20],

Phillies [23], Rangers [25], Astros [22], Braves [22], Cubs [20], Twins [18], Orioles [22]; 1975 - Rangers [20], Braves [19]; 1976 - A's [23], Royals [21], Twins [21], Indians [24], Cards [24], Yankees [24], Phillies [18], Tigers [20], Braves [24], Expos [20], Padres [22]; 1977 - Tigers [22], Brewers [22], Twins [19], Cubs [25], Royals [20], Rangers [25], A's [25], Mets [25], Reds [18], Padres [24], Red Sox [24], Angels [22], Braves [22], Yankees [23], Giants [23], Dodgers [22], Mariners [2 teams; 18, 24; mint], Blue Jays [2 teams; 23, 22, excellent condition]; 1978 Padres [20], Braves [24], Red Sox [24], Tigers [23], A's [23], Blue Jays [24], Royals [24], Mariners [24; excellent], Expos [24], Yankees [22]; 1979 - Braves [18; excellent], Giants [18; excellent], Padres [17; excellent]. Additional players from teams: 1974 - Braves [4], Tigers [4], White Sox [4], Giants [4], Pirates [4], Padres [4]. All the following are in excellent condition: 1979 A's [4], Royals [4], Blue Jays [4], Indians [4], Angels [4], White Sox [4], Yankees [4], Orioles [4], Twins [4], Tigers [4]. I have a price in mind for each team and I will sell who meets it. Send SASE to: Jay Melnarik, 11134 Westwood Blvd., Culver City, CA 90230. All letters will be answered if SASE is enclosed.

FOR SALE: Over 40 baseball teams from 1970 to 1977. The teams are being sold for low prices because they were given to me for free. Teams are priced from \$1.50 to \$5. Most teams are in very good condition. For a list of the teams write to: Jon Bourdon, 5 Joseph Avenue, Lee, MA 01238. Phone: 413-243-9847.

FOR SALE: Baseball set 1978 statistics. Football set 1977 statistics. Basketball set 1977-78 statistics. Complete sets. All good condition. \$10 each. Also 94 additional hockey players 1979-80 statistics. Mint condition. All for only certified checks (\$2.50). SASE. Mike Laabs, 7819 South Oakwood Ave., Neenah, WI 54956 [continued]

FOR SALE: S-O-M Pro Football game [all parts, excluding dice] with 7 1969 AFL teams (no Chiefs, Oilers or Chargers) plus 1967 Jets. Also 1978 Phils and Mariners and additional baseball players from many '78, '80 teams. Best offers. Frank Glaz, 17080 Fairmont Ave., Whitehall, PA 18052

FOR SALE: Football, \$1.00 each: 1973 Broncos, Eagles, Oilers. Baseball, \$1.00 each: 1976 Phillies plus all old timer baseball teams, 45¢ each. Please enclose SASE plus 18¢ postage for each team ordered. Keith Stern, 140-16 Debs Place, Bronx, NY 10475

FOR SALE: 1979 Football teams - all 28 plus '78 Pittsburgh Steelers. All in excellent to mint condition. My price is \$13.50. For information, call 301-464-0018. Ask for Chris. Call after 3:30 p.m., or write to: Chris Probeyahn, 12400 Starlight Lane, Bowie, MD 20715

FOR SALE: Baseball - 1969 [all teams and extras] and 1971 [all teams, no extras]. Stephen M. McCarty, 110 Pilgrim Parkway, Apt. 12, Warwick, RI 02888 [phone: 401-463-7616]

FOR SALE: Complete those baseball teams that you've lost cards for, or are too worn to use. I have over 1,500 assorted players from 1974-75-76, only 5¢ each. Minimum order \$1.00. Also have some assorted baseball teams for sale. Send SASE for list. Larry Salay, 3444 White Plains Road, Bronx, NY 10467

FOR SALE: S-O-M Baseball newsletter #6, featuring a draft report on latest cards based on the 1980 season. Free bonus with all orders: a complete and official schedule for both the American and National leagues. This 1980 schedule is ideal for realistic replays. Send just 50¢ to: Joe Duffy, 60 Blanchard Rd., Marlton, NJ 08053

FOR SALE: Baseball - 1970 A.L., Padres, Dodgers, Giants, Cubs, Braves, Astros, Phils, Cards; 1971 Senators, Royals, Twins, A's, White Sox, Brewers, Yankees, Indians, Tigers, Orioles, Braves, Giants, Reds, Cubs, Expos, Cards;

1972 Reds; '77, '79 complete. Football - 1967 Redskins, Bears; 1968 Bears, Chargers, 49ers; 1971 Steelers; 1972 Dolphins, Rams, Cowboys, Chargers, Redskins, Vikings, Browns, Raiders; 1973 Redskins, Vikings, Steelers, Cowboys; 1976 complete. Basketball - 1972-73 all teams except the Lakers; '74-75 complete. All cards in good condition. Will sell by set, league or team. Send bids to: John Walsh, 453 Cornell Ave., Pemberton, NJ 08068

FOR SALE: 175 S-O-M Baseball and basketball teams from 1968-1977. Will sell or TRADE for my wants of Topps baseball 1972-1980. SASE is a must. All teams must go. Chuck Holman, 5210 N. Pueblo Villas, Tucson, AZ 85704 [phone: 602-888-4419]

FOR SALE: Baseball - all 1969 teams except A's and Senators. Also have 1970 Senators. Have most of the extra cards and most cards are excellent or good. Will sell at \$5.50 per team or make offer. Send bids and SASE to: Jeff Singman, 8343 Twin Chapel Dr., Columbus, GA 31904

FOR SALE: Super advanced rules for S-O-M Baseball. These simple rules and charts will give your S-O-M game all the details and rare plays of real baseball while maintaining speed and ease of play. Your \$5 [cash or money order] gladly refunded if not satisfied. Richard Robb, #1004-1395 Beach Ave., Vancouver, B.C., Canada V6E 1V7

FOR SALE: One complete hockey game including the 1978-79 Jets, Rockies for \$12.00. Also the '78-79 Islanders, Flames, Flyers, Capitals, Kings, Rangers, Canucks, Wings, Oilers, Bruins, Sabres, Hawks, all in mint condition. 1977-78 Islanders and Blues in mint condition. One complete basketball game, including the '77-78 Nets, Braves for \$12.00. Also the complete '78-79 set plus the '79-80 Nuggets, Spurs, Lakers, Supersonics, Blazers, Celtics, Rockets, Kings, 76ers, Knicks, Nets, Suns; '74-75 Knicks, Celtics. Rosters for both hockey and basketball included. Send bids for all teams, hockey and basketball, to: David Lacki, 55 Briarwood Path, Clark, NJ 07066, or call 201-388-7836.

between 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. week-days.

FOR SALE: Complete sets with extra players: 1977, '78, '79. All must go. Send bids on sets or individual teams. All cards in good condition. All inquiries will be answered. Send SASE to: Dean Gorman, Lisbon Road, Canterbury, CT 06331

Editor's note: Ad above did not indicate what sport, so presume it was for baseball.

FOR SALE: I'll sell or trade over 400 teams for Topps baseball cards. I'm not interested in stars, but I want any number of any player from any year. I have complete baseball sets from '63 and '68 and baseball and football teams from '67-'79. Ron Smith, 9403 Becton Rd., Glen Allen, VA 23060 [phone: 804-270-9390]

FOR SALE: Baseball fans! 1965 Yankees, excellent condition. Following are complete baseball seasons: 1967--mint; 1970 [extras]--excellent; 1971 [no extras]--mint; 1972 [extras]--mint; 1973 [extras]--mint; 1975 [extras]--mint; 1976 [extras]--mint; 1977 [extras]--mint; 1978 [extras--missing L. Parrish of Detroit]--mint; 1979 [extras]--mint. Football fans! 1967 Steelers--mint, 49ers--excellent; 1968 Falcons, 49ers, Eagles, Lions, Giants, Dolphins, Redskins, Saints, Patriots, Broncos, Chargers, Bills--all mint; 1969 Colts, Saints, Cards, Eagles, Bills, Falcons, Patriots, Steelers, 49ers, Bengals, Packers, Giants, Oilers, Dolphins, Chargers--all mint; 1969 Broncos, Jets--excellent. Basketball fans! 1972-73 season mint with game box and parts; 1973-74 complete--mint; 1974-75 complete--mint. Send bids to: Paul Ohran, 2181 Deodara Dr., Los Altos, CA 94022

FOR SALE: Approximately 1,000 assorted copies of The Sporting News, Sport, Sports Illustrated and Baseball Digest published from the mid-1960s to 1980. Price for the whole lot is only \$250. No individual issues will be sold! Buyer must be able to pick up all magazines in Larchmont, NY. Contact: Don Walsh, 46 Turnpike St. #7, Suncook, NH

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FOR SALE: Almost all football teams from '67 through '78, including such great teams as follows: Green Bay's '67 Super Bowl team; Kansas City's '69 championship team; Miami's '72 undefeated team [17-0]; Dallas '71--one of S-O-M's greatest teams ever; Buffalo's '73 and '75 with O.J. Simpson's record-breaking years; Washington '67--the most feared passing attack in the history of Strato, with Jurgensen throwing to such greats as Charlie Taylor, Bobby Mitchell and Jerry Smith, all of whom had outstanding years; Tampa Bay's '76 team, the worst team in the history of football; and all of Pittsburgh's Super Bowl teams and many, many more teams. Will accept best offers on all teams listed above but will not sell for less than \$3.00 each of those teams specifically listed. Contact: Brad Lutz, 3514 Eagle Point Road, Lafayette, CA 94549 [phone: 707-745-8140 after 5 p.m. PST]

FOR SALE: College football game -- all parts--like new. Includes the following 8 bowl teams from 1976--Pittsburgh [Dorsett's senior year], Michigan, Houston, USC and Georgia, Maryland, Ohio State, USC and Colorado. All teams mint condition--played only twice. Will accept first reasonable offer. Dean Soroka, 902 Larkridge Ave., Youngstown, OH 44512

FOR SALE: Football - all teams complete and most teams in brand new condition. 1970 teams available are Packers, Browns, Oilers, Patriots, Falcons, Steelers, Bills, Cardinals, Bears; 1971 teams are Oilers, Saints, Falcons, Bears, Cardinals, Vikings, Broncos, Eagles, Bengals, Giants, Cowboys; 1972 teams are Oilers, Broncos, Bears, Saints, Giants, Chargers, Rams, Jets, Bengals, Patriots, Falcons, Eagles, Lions, Cardinals, Colts, Bills, Vikings; 1973 Raiders, Redskins, Packers, Colts, Eagles, Lions, Broncos; 1974 Rams, Broncos, Packers, Browns, Dolphins, Chargers, Falcons, Oilers, Colts, Bills, Steelers; 1975 and 1977 complete sets of teams available and teams are complete and in excellent condition [teams may be purchased individually]. Baseball

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1977 and 1978 complete sets of teams with extras and pitcher hitting cards available; teams are complete and in excellent condition (teams may be purchased individually). Basketball - 1976 complete game with all teams and is in brand new condition. Hockey - 1977-78 complete set of teams; teams are complete and in good condition (teams may be purchased individually). Send bids for football teams, baseball teams, hockey teams and/or basketball game, to: David Allen, 8 Chadwick Ave., Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5P 1Z8

FOR SALE: All baseball cards very good to excellent condition. 1970 Mets, Cubs, Minnesota, L.A., Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Boston, Baltimore, Atlanta, Detroit; 1971 Atlanta, \$2.50 each. 1974 California, White Sox, Philadelphia, Cincinnati, \$2.50 each. 1975 Philadelphia, Cubs, Angels, Houston, San Diego, Detroit, Atlanta, Texas, San Francisco, \$2.50 each. 1976 Atlanta, Cubs, Philadelphia, Montreal, White Sox, St. Louis, \$2.50 each. Complete 1970 baseball season, some writing on cards, otherwise very good condition [\$40]. Complete 1977 baseball seasons, some writing on cards, otherwise in excellent condition [\$22]. Complete 1978 baseball season, some writing on cards, otherwise in excellent condition [\$19]. Complete 1977-78 hockey game, parts and everything intact (never been used), \$24. Complete 1974-75 NBA basketball season in excellent condition [\$22]. Postage paid on all items. All items sold on first-come basis. William Salter, 31270 Wildwood Apt. 2209, Wixom, MI 48096

FOR SALE: 1972-80 baseball seasons; excellent condition with extras. Send no money 'till notified. Include stamped post card or letter with bid for reply. Cards stored by leagues in zip-lock plastic bags. Sold in sets only! A.F. Mazeika, 3365 N. Dodge Blvd., Tucson, AZ 85716

For Trade

FOR TRADE: I will trade new, unplayed LPs [your choice] for S-O-M Baseball teams from 1971

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to 1977. Wide selection available. For details, contact: Jerry Micco, 2639 Dodd Rd., Willoughby Hills, OH 44094 (phone: 216-942-7266)

League Forming

LEAGUE FORMING: New league, 154-game schedule. Ten managers needed for play-by-mail league using new cards [with extras] and advanced side. We will draft American and National League players. Send an answer for more information. League will start as soon as we get enough managers. Contact: John Hernandez, 734 N. 'A' St. Apt. A, Lompoc, CA 93436 (phone: 1-805-736-8919)

LEAGUE FORMING: I need 20 managers for a new PBM league. This will be a continuous league, hopefully. If I have anything to say about it, it will be continuous. Newsletters and complete stats will be included in the 162-game schedule. All but two of the new 1980 teams will be used, with the remaining teams used along with all rookies in next season's draft. If interested, send personal information and a list of the top 18 teams that you would like to manage to: John Bell, 223 Smith, Normal, IL 61761, or call 309-436-7827. P.S. If you don't want to be prompt and reliable, don't waste your stamp. Please hurry! If responding in May, send to John Bell, 316 N. Wood, Gibson City, IL 60936, or call 217-784-5865.

LEAGUE FORMING: I want to join or form a basic version, face-to-face league in the Bayside, Flushing area. Write or call: Scott Ramos, 47-43 195 St., Flushing, NY 11358 (phone: 212-357-5951)

LEAGUE FORMING: Face-to-face league in South Bay needs managers. This is a perpetual baseball league using the advanced side. Anyone interested call: Mark at 213-757-4232

LEAGUE FORMING: Immediate openings available in established PBM league already in its third successful season. SBLI is an advanced played, spring N.L. draft league and a summer A.L. draft league (openings in both). Only experienced, mature, honest, dependable managers will be accepted. Send resume to:

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Jon Passaro, 108 Madison St.,
Mastic, NY 11950 (phone: 516-
281-4765). A \$3 entry fee will
be charged--which will partially
be refunded at the completion of
the season.

LEAGUE FORMING: Once establish-
ed, Chicago area face-to-face
league, is now in the process of
re-forming. We will be using the
new 1980 cards, making use of
the advanced version and a 162-
game schedule. All teams will be
formed by means of a draft. Each
manager will have two teams, one
from A.L. players and one from
N.L. players, with both leagues
playing at the same time. Full
trading is allowed and we make
use of the DH rule. The league
will feature an All-Star game,
a World Series and stats. There
will be an entry fee to cover the
cost of supplies and trophies.
Experience is not required, but
we do demand serious, reliable
managers. Please send a resume
to: Sam Wright, Box 28, 924 W.
Belmont Ave., Chicago, IL 60657

LEAGUE FORMING: The North Shore
Baseball League will begin its
fourth season of face-to-face
play. This Boston area draft
league consists of teams made
up of N.L. East players, using
the advanced version of the game.
Managers retain the rights to
some of their players acquired
through draft or trades for the
following season. New team(s)
will draft a limited number of
players from existing rosters
and get priority in this season's
draft. League meets once weekly
in members' homes, with teams
playing between two and four
games per night. Existing teams
in Arlington, Dorchester and
Medford and ages of managers
range from 27-34. We are seeking
(a) reliable manager(s) who de-
sire(s) to play in a formal lea-
gue that stresses camaraderie,
intense competition and fair
play. For further information
and application, please write
enclosing an SASE: Norman Shacat,
81 Woburn St., Medford, MA 02155
or call 391-5726

LEAGUE FORMING: Looking for
managers to form a face-to-face,
advanced baseball league in the
northern Baltimore area. The

league will use the current Ameri-
can League teams including extras.
If you are interested or would like
further information, please call:
Bill Fedock, 301-256-2998

LEAGUE FORMING: A new basic PBM
basketball league is forming, using
the upcoming cards. This will be a
draft league with constant trading,
an exhibition season, an all-star
game, an 84-game regular season
schedule (ala ABA) and all teams
make the playoffs. I hope to start
early, so write or call now. We will
have frequent newsletters, but no
entry fee is required. No age limit.
Write: Kurt Bergland, 2557 N. 85,
Wauwatosa, WI 53226, or call: 414-
453-8586, 6-10 p.m. Give name,
address and phone number.

LEAGUE FORMING: Need managers for
an old timers league. We'll draft
players from the following teams:
'05 Giants, '06 Cubs, '09 Tigers, '09
Pirates, '11 A's, '22 Browns, '27
Yanks, '29 Cubs, '31 A's, '33 Giants,
'36 Yanks, '53 Dodgers, '54 Cleveland,
'54 Giants, '57 Braves, '61 Yanks, '65
Dodgers, '67 Cardinals. League
starts June 15, with 25 players to
a team. This league is open to any-
one, so write now. I'll answer
everyone. Please enclose stamp or
SASE. Craig Pfaltzgraff, 1932
Primrose Dr., Cedar Falls, IA
50613 (phone: 319-266-8469)

LEAGUE FORMING: Interested in
hearing from adult S-O-M fanatics
in Lehigh Valley, PA, area. Call
Frank [215-776-1697] Monday or
Friday evenings.

Contests

CONTEST: Gold Cup IV! \$600 in cash
prizes! The Gold Cup Challenge
Series is S-O-M's answer to the
World Series, Super Bowl and Stanley
Cup. It's the original and unique
play-by-mail, advanced baseball
tournament, with a special system
designed to give all participants a
fair chance to "win the gold." The
next world Strat-O-Matic champion
will be awarded \$528. Don't miss
out on this innovative tournament.
For information and rules about
participating, write: Gold Cup IV,
c/o Steve Beren, 34-30 78th St.,
Apt. 6A, Jackson Heights, NY 11372.
Phone: 212-458-8867. Be bold--go
for the gold!

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Here are home run card chances for pitchers

If you're playing in an actual teams replay, using the 1981 baseball cards, and don't like to see 'em "sail out," then the Chicago White Sox and Houston Astros are your teams in the American and National leagues, respectively.

Both, for the second straight year, had the lowest home run card chances for pitchers. Chicago hurlers had a 3.19 card chances for-home runs and Houston a minuscule 1.58. Conversely, Seattle had the highest team rating, 6.68, in the A.L. and Atlanta the highest in the N.L., 5.90.

These facts as well as many more were revealed by Andrew Shelofsky, Orangeburg, NY, who recently sent the Review the 1981 home run card chances for pitchers. He used the advanced side of the cards and the ratings were obtained by adding both the home run yield against right-handed as well as left-handed batters.

Larry McWilliams of Atlanta has the worst card as far as home run chances. He checks out with a 14.40 rating (out of a possible 216 points, 108 against each type of batter).

And again there were a number of pitchers who didn't have any home run card chances: in the American League there were nine and in the National there were 11.

Here are the 1981 home run card chances for pitchers:

BALTIMORE		BOSTON		CALIFORNIA		CHICAGO (AL)	
T.Martinez	1.95	Eckersley	8.80	F.Martinez	4.50	Baumgarten	3.15
D.Martinez	7.60	Torrez	3.75	Aase	3.60	Trout	1.65
McGregor	4.10	Renko	5.80	Tenana	5.30	Dotson	5.35
Stone	3.60	Stanley	2.10	Lemanzyck	5.85	Burns	3.00
Palmer	5.10	Rainey	3.45	Hassler	4.80	Wortham	0.00
Flanagan	6.25	Drago	8.80	Clear	0.00	Kravec	11.40
Stewart	3.45	Campbell	0.00	LaRoche	6.95	Hoyt	2.40
Stoddard	0.00	Tudor	0.75	Montague	5.75	Proly	0.30
Ford	12.20	Burgmeier	0.45	Knapp	10.60	Farmer	1.50
CLEVELAND		DETROIT		KANSAS CITY		MILWAUKEE	
Spillner	7.00	Schatzeder	6.40	Quisenberry	0.00	Caldwell	8.60
Garland	7.45	Wilcox	8.20	Splitteroff	2.85	Haas	6.45
Denny	0.00	Morris	3.30	Gale	4.05	Cleveland	1.65
Waits	5.85	Petry	1.50	Leonard	6.90	Sorensen	2.55
Barker	1.95	Weaver	3.60	Gura	2.10	Travers	6.70
Owchinko	7.55	Rozema	3.60	Martin	8.40	Mitchell	3.90
Monge	6.85	Underwood	5.35	Pattin	3.00	Augustine	2.55
Cruz	8.60	Lopez	8.00	Christenson	7.05	McClure	3.90
Stanton	1.05	Tobik	7.60			Castro	0.45
MINNESOTA		NEW YORK (AL)		OAKLAND		SEATTLE	
Koosman	5.00	Tiant	2.85	McCatty	7.55	Beattie	5.15
Zahn	4.55	Guidry	6.30	Kingman	5.05	Abbott	8.40
Jackson	3.15	Underwood	5.15	Norris	2.25	Honeycutt	12.20
Erickson	2.10	May	5.70	Keough	5.70	Bannister	6.05
Verhoeven	5.55	Perry	2.25	Langford	6.05	Roberts	3.90
Williams	8.25	John	4.20	Hamilton	10.95	McLaughlin	11.00
Arroyo	3.00	Bird	2.40	Jones	0.15	Dressler	5.60
Redfern	6.20	Gossage	1.65	Lacey	4.20	Heaverlo	7.80
Corbett	1.20	Davis	3.60			Rawley	0.00
TEXAS		TORONTO					
Medich	1.65	Kern	4.00	Todd	12.40	Mirabella	2.25
Jenkins	6.70	Rajisch	9.60	Kucek	7.60	Buskey	13.65
Matlack	3.30	Johnson	2.70	Steib	0.90	Barlow	3.00
Figueroa	6.55	Darwin	0.00	Clancy	3.00	Garvin	4.80
Hough	0.00			McLaughlin	7.65		

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<u>ATLANTA</u>		<u>CHICAGO (NL)</u>		<u>CINCINNATI</u>		<u>HOUSTON</u>	
Matula	6.45	Lamp	3.75	Soto	2.70	Richard	0.00
Alexander	5.40	McGlothen	9.80	Seaver	11.35	Forsch	3.45
McWilliams	14.40	Krukow	3.00	LaCoss	1.50	Ruhle	1.20
Boggs	4.20	Reuschel	1.50	Moskau	5.60	Ryan	0.90
Niekro	8.25	Capilla	3.90	Leibrandt	4.65	Niekro	0.90
Garber	3.40	Hernandez	3.00	Pastore	4.15	Andujar	3.15
Hrabosky	12.20	Sutter	1.95	Price	4.40	Niemann	3.50
Bradford	3.80	Tidrow	6.00	Bair	5.25	LaCorte	2.25
Hanna	0.45	Caudill	4.70	Hume	1.20	Smith	0.00
Camp	0.45					Sambito	0.45
<u>LOS ANGELES</u>		<u>MONTREAL</u>		<u>NEW YORK (NL)</u>		<u>PHILADELPHIA</u>	
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Hooton	6.60	Sanderson	5.10	Bomback	6.50	Saucier	1.80
Sutton	5.35	Norman	3.60	Burris	8.60	Reed	1.05
Welch	3.90	Lee	4.60	Swan	13.20	Noles	3.20
Reuss	1.35	Lea	1.35	Zachry	6.25	Ruthven	0.45
Sutcliffe	5.40	Gullickson	0.75	Jackson	1.65	Carlton	1.20
Castillo	1.35	Bahnsen	4.20	Pacella	1.65	Espinosa	8.80
Howe	0.90	Palmer	5.75	Hausman	5.95	Walk	1.50
Beckwith	0.00	D'Acquisto	0.00	Allen	3.85	Christensen	2.40
		Fryman	0.00	Reardon	5.80	Lerch	6.10
		Sosa	1.80				
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Blyleven	6.05	Vuckovich	4.70	Mura	1.50	Jefferson	5.80
Robinson	5.85	Forsch	1.95	Jones	6.95		
Sibby	5.40	Otten	1.80	Curtis	1.05		
Rhoden	4.00	Hood	0.00	Lucas	3.15		
Romo	5.25	Sykes	5.85	Rasmussen	4.20		
Solomon	4.80	Kaat	1.20	Kinney	0.90		
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Jackson	2.70	Urrea	0.45	Shirley	5.10		
		Littlefield	0.45	Fingers	0.00		
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Knepper	2.25	Ripley	5.10	Chicago		3.19	
Blue	2.10	Griffin	4.60	<u>Lowest Team Rating (NL)</u>			
Whitson	0.00	Minton	0.00	Houston		1.58	
Hargesheimer	0.00	Holland	0.00	<u>Highest Team Rating (AL)</u>			
Montefusco	9.90	Lavelle	0.75	Seattle		6.68	
				<u>Highest Team Rating (NL)</u>			
				Atlanta		5.90	
<u>Highest Individual Rating (NL)</u>							
McWilliams, Atlanta							
14.40							
<u>Highest Individual Rating (AL)</u>							
Buskey, Toronto							
13.65							

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CONTEST: This is it! You are all invited to attend the California S-O-M Pro Football Championship which will be held July 11, at the Hillsdale Inn in San Mateo. Trophies and other prizes will be awarded. Special discounts for early entrants. For more details, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: S-O-M Football Tournament, 1066 Annapolis Drive, San Mateo, CA 94403

What's available at S-O-M?

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Nope, the comely lass holding the Strat-O-Matic Baseball box is not available from S-O-M.

But the baseball game--the same one that was previously sold only retail--is.

S-O-M, in an attempt to clear out some of its inventory, has put on sale for a limited time only the baseball game, replete with 26 teams from the 1979 season (real-life), all parts and components, as well as the colorful box that it all comes in.

Cost will be \$14.25, a savings of almost \$6 from the retail purchase price. The game does not include the four old timer teams that came with the original version, but otherwise it is complete.

Oh, in case you're curious, that's Mary Jane Newell, wife of Review co-editor Del Newell, displaying the game box. To purchase the special baseball game, write: Strat-O-Matic Game Co., Inc., 46 Railroad Plaza, Glen Head, NY 11545



MARY JANE NEWELL DISPLAYS
S-O-M BASEBALL RETAIL GAME

Tournament scoreboard

Here are the final second-round and opening third-round series in Steve Beren's Gold Cup Challenge Baseball Tournament:

* Bob Fafata, Jr., Pittsburgh, PA ('73 Pirates/'73 Expos), 3-1, vs. Scott McGregor, Liberty, MO ('77 Reds/'77 Angels), 2-2. Fafata wins series 3-1 and advances.

* Rick Guzman, Phoenix, AZ ('78 Tigers/'78 Expos), 3-1, vs. Eric Raudenbush, Havertown, PA ('77 Cubs/'79 White Sox), 3-1. Guzman wins series and advances. Montreal, trailing 2-0, struck for three runs in bottom of ninth inning to pull out game four and give Guzman 3-1 advantage.

* Steven Walters, Potosi, MO ('77 Reds/'77 Indians), 2-2, vs. Charles Whyte, Upland, CA ('78 Brewers/'78 Cards), 2-2. Walters wins series 3-1 and advances. Johnny Grubb's two-run double in bottom of ninth gave Indians 4-3 win in pivotal third game of series.

* Chip Armonaitis, Jersey City, NJ ('79 Rangers/'79 Mets), 3-1, vs. Jim Keeley, Owosso, MI ('79 Tigers/'78 Astros), 4-0. Keeley wins series 3-1 and advances with 7-1 overall record. Armonaitis used eight of nine pitchers on staff as Texas won opener, 5-2, in 15 innings. Keeley's teams outscored Armonaitis' 14-1 in next three games, however.

Field is down to 30 after two rounds [from original of 77] and Keeley, Tony Cass (Milwaukee, WI) and Anthony Johnston (Little Rock, AR) are all 7-1. Following are results from round three:

* Voight Albright Jr., Wyandotte, MI ('77 Astros/'73 Pirates), 5-3, vs. Tom Johnson, North Dighton, MA ('75 Yanks/'75 Twins), 3-1. Albright won fourth and final game, the Pirates edging the Twins, 5-4, and advanced with 3-1 series win.

* Jim Schwanebeck, Baltimore, MD ('74 Red Sox/'73 Braves), 6-2, vs. Anthony Johnston, Little Rock, AR ('77 Cards/'79 Dodgers), 7-1. Series is split, 2-2, so both advance into round four.

Strat-O-Matic spotlight

In the beginning, when Melvin F. Williams Jr. was 10 years old, the phone rang. A 16-year-old friend, Mike David, was calling, notifying Williams to "Come on over; I've got it!" This was his first contact with Strat-O-Matic Baseball.

Today, Melvin F. Williams Jr. resides in Mishawaka, IN. He's married (Tammy). And he continues to play S-O-M Baseball. In fact, he's introduced the game to almost two dozen people--all of whom have purchased the game. His wife was also introduced to his favorite sports pastime.

Lately, perhaps as a signal that his table-gaming missionary zeal has come full cycle, Williams introduced S-O-M to his neighbor--Bob McCoy, who just happens to be 10 years old.

Williams wanted to put in words what a lot of gamers have been thinking and as a result penned the following poem. So, from S-O-M's answer to Rudyard Kipling? Robert Frost? Alexander Pope? Lord Byron? None of the above? All of the above? here is a poem dedicated to a "lot of guys out there in dorms, basements and even attics that still play S-O-M Baseball, or wish they did!"

The concept is so basic
The cards are so thin
You started to play
When you were just 9 or 10

Your parents were confused
But they still let you buy it
How often they mused:
"Well it does keep him quiet"

At 12 you're still playing
On all your spare days
Your mother is saying
"It's only a phase"

You teach it to your friends
Then they want one, too
Dad says "Where will it end?
What can we do?"

In high school it seems
You'd care more about love
But the coming year's teams
Are what you're thinking of

For ten short years you've played
Now you're 20 years old
Tell me what would you pay
For those teams that you sold?

Now my parents understand me
And exactly how we feel
It's just an escape from reality...
That's almost real

REVENGE OF THE 79ers

Jim Currie of Parsippany, NJ, taking the cue from Kenneth Kirk's mini series matching the World Series winning 1979 Pittsburgh Pirates vs. the 1971 Bucs [Oct., 1980 Review], decided to replay the replay.

Like Pittsburgh Series Part I, Part II was also a best-of-17-game affair. Currie used the basic game, but advanced throwing ratings.

But, whereas in Kirk's series the '71 Bucs emerged triumphant, 9-7, in Currie's the winners were the '79 Pirates. But the 79ers had to win four of the last five games to pull out a 9-8 advantage, including blasting the '71 squad in game No. 17, 9-2, behind a 16-hit attack.

Willie Stargell, '71 vintage, was the MVP of the first series and Willie Stargell, '79, was MVP of Series II. Contemporary "Pops" had 23 hits in 64 at-bats for a .359 average, clubbed four home runs, had three game-winning RBI and, on a negative note, also struck out 20 times.

Also starring for the 79ers were Dave Parker (.315, 13 RBI), Bill Robinson (13 RBI, 5 homers), Kent Tekulve (2-0, 4 saves), Don Robinson (2-0, 1.27) and Jim Bibby (2-1, 19 strikeouts). Bert Blyleven (0-3, 6.50) was not one of the standouts. For the '71 squad, which was out-hit .269-.236 and outscored 76-66, five players batted under .200. It was lucky to take the series the full 17 games. Stargell batted .288 with four homers, Roberto Clemente .286, Manny Sanguillen a team-high .317 and Steve Blass, although he was the victim of the final-game battering, was 3-0 going into the finale and Dock Ellis wound up 3-0.

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SHORT SHAKES

Rick Hudson of Des Moines, IA, reports that he used a computer to compile lifetime statistics for all players in his 10 years-plus of S-O-M Baseball. It took six weeks to enter all the stats and the printout was two inches thick. Mickey Mantle was Hudson's all-time home run leader with 541 and Lou Brock the all-time at-bats leader with 7049...Two great Yankee teams, 1927 and 1961, met recently in the championship series of Bob Sproule's (Pittsburgh, PA) mini replay using Old Timer teams plus the '79 Pirates. The '27 Yanks had to scramble to get past the '27 Pirates in the semifinals, winning 4-3 when Waite Hoyt tossed a four-hit shutout in game seven, 2-0. In the finals, however, it was all the '27 bombers as Lou Gehrig drove in nine runs, hit three homers and batted .333 and Babe Ruth, although hitting only one homer and driving in just two runs, batted a mighty .467...Philadelphia, '77 vintage, was the class of a 64-team field (all pennant winners from 1961-1980 and all division winners from 1969-1980) that competed in Thomas Swank's (Bloomfield, NJ) "Age of Expansion Tournament." All series were best three-of-five until the final, which was five-out-of-nine. The Phils disposed of the 1969 Baltimore Orioles, 5-2, to claim the championship. Steve Carlton posted a 5-2 record with a 2.36 ERA for the Phillies, who went 20-8 against the best; and Mike Schmidt cracked seven home runs. Other highlights included: Camilo Pascual of the '65 Twins retiring the first 26 1962 Yankees--before Tony Kubek doubled in the ninth; the same Twins dropping a 5-3 decision to the same '62 Yanks in 20 innings; and 1970 Willie Stargell hitting three home runs in one game against the '72 Pirates...Swank also reported that his annual face-to-face football tournament was won by Chris Potter of Little Falls, NJ, whose 1977 Denver Broncos defeated Tom Martin's (he also resides in Little Falls) '77 Dallas Cowboys in the finals, 17-10. It was the second straight title for the '77 Broncos who now stand 11-1 in three years of tourney play...Neil Lancotot sends along word that his name was incorrectly spelled in a hockey replay he send to the Review. It's not Neil Laritod, rather Neil Lancotot. Sorry about that, Neil...

Six Commandments of S-O-M gaming

By MARK ROTTENSTEIN
Brooklyn, NY

1. Thou shalt not play any other game.
2. Remember thy sabbath--six days thou shalt play S-O-M and on the seventh day thou shalt do stats.
3. Honor thy father and thy mother--for they give you food and shelter so you're able to play S-O-M (for gamers who really get obsessed, those are the two people in your house yelling at you all the time about doing less important things than S-O-M: cleaning, getting a job, etc. The father is the one with the beard)
4. Thou shalt not kill--thou shalt not go for a touchdown with your team leading 42-3 with two minutes remaining in the game.
5. Thou shalt not steal with your team ahead 9-1 in the eighth inning (see previous commandment--thou shalt not kill, etc.)
6. Thou shalt not envy thy neighbor's pitching staff of Walter Johnson, Pete Alexander, Christy Mathewson and Ed Walsh.

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S-O-M league, replay scene

CAPE ELIZABETH S-O-M FOOTBALL LEAGUE (CESOMFL) - Face-to-Face, six-team league comprised of students who attend Cape Elizabeth High School...the coaching lineup: Mark Hare (Pittsburgh), Mike O'Rielly (Los Angeles), Jeff Jackson (Philadelphia), Billy Breen (New England), David Burleigh (Dallas) and Peter Cavallero (Houston)...Pittsburgh, as in real-life (1979) was an indomitable force, winning the regular-season with a 14-2 record, polished off New England in the playoffs and finally Los Angeles in the Super Bowl...Offense was name of game in CESOMFL as Roger Staubach passed for over 4,000 yards, five receivers caught more than 100 passes and four rushers--including New England quarterback Steve Grogan--piled up 1,400 or more yards...Lynn Swann of the Steelers 'only' caught 53 passes, but he turned them into 1,175 yards for a league-leading 22.1 average...Philadelphia, perhaps hinting at what was to come in real-life 1980, handed Pittsburgh its only two losses. Wilbert Montgomery had a league-high 5.6 rushing average, gaining 1,353 yards, although missing four games with injuries...MVP, however, was Earl Campbell, who blasted out 1,969 yards, scored 13 touchdowns and averaged 4.4 per carry...

Standings and leaders:

	Won-Lost	Rushing	Att-Yds.	Avg.	TD
Pittsburgh	14 2	Campbell HOU	446-1969	4.4	13
Los Angeles	10 6	Tyler LA	313-1656	5.3	11
Philadelphia	9 7	Dorsett DAL	277-1525	5.5	7
New England	7 9	Grogan NE	275-1401	5.0	11
Gallas	5 11	Montgomery PHI	242-1353	5.6	8
Houston	3 13				

Passing	Att-Comp	Pct.	Yds.	TD-Int	KO Returns	Avg.
Staubach DAL	532-349	65.6	4106	30-26	Campbell PHI	28.1
Bradshaw PIT	325-176	54.1	2443	20-14		
Jaworski PHI	401-201	50.1	2904	19-12	Punt Returns	
Grogan NE	307-154	50.0	3405	28-29	Sciarra PHI	13.2
Haden LA	383-233	60.8	2093	13-20		

Receiving	No.-Yds.	Avg.	TD	Interceptions	No.
DUPree DAL	119-1025	8.6	9	Blount PIT	15
Carmichael PHI	114-2222	19.5	17		
Morgan NE	108-2139	19.8	14		
Dennard LA	105-1106	10.5	7		
D.Pearson DAL	100-1264	12.6	10		

SOLITAIRE DRAFT HOCKEY LEAGUE - Dan Verdun, Odell, IL, used the old WHA team names, drafted players from the 1977-78 season and played an 80-game season plus playoffs...Houston, which featured the scoring of Guy Lafleur and goal-tending of Ken Dryden, both of the Montreal Canadiens, won its division, had the best overall record (48-27-5) and then captured the Stanley Cup, defeating Quebec in seven games (0-2, 2-1, 3-2, 4-1, 1-2, 2-3, 5-4); all but two of the games being decided by a single goal...Darryl Sittler of Houston was Stanley Cup MVP after scoring seven goals and assisting on six others...

Standings and leaders:

Richard Division	W	L	T	Pts.	Hull Division	W	L	T	Pts.
New England	43	32	5	91	Houston	48	27	5	101
Quebec	40	33	7	87	Winnipeg	42	31	7	91
Chicago	36	34	10	82	Minnesota	33	41	6	72
Toronto	27	40	13	67	Edmonton	20	51	9	49

Playoffs: Quebec d. New England, 1-2, 2-0, 3-2, 4-2, 5-2
Houston d. Winnipeg, 2-1, 5-1, 2-6, 3-7, 6-0, 1-0

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Scoring	G	A	Pts	Goals-Against		MVP - Lafleur HOU
Trottier QUE	45	81	126	K.Dryden HOU	2.17	Best Defenseman -
Lafleur HOU	61	64	125	B.Smith QUE	2.56	Denis Potvin WIN
Perreault NE	57	52	109	Esposito WIN	2.71	
Sittler HOU	49	58	107	Edwards NE	2.74	

GRAND VALLEY PRO BASKETBALL LEAGUE - Three current GKSM (Greater Kalamazoo Strat-O-Matic League) members--Jeff Kik, Bruce Mulder and Pat Stemas--played mini 1980 season...League's name comes from college near Grand Rapids where three met and formed ongoing basketball loop...Each team plays nine-game regular season schedule and then all 22 compete in tournament, with seeding done on basis of record for nine games...Pat Stemas had best record (45-34), Jeff Kik was 45-42 and Mulder 31-45 as each coach handled the various teams on a rotating basis...Boston downed Los Angeles in a best-of-three final series, 2-0, to capture the league championship. Boston won the opener when, leading by only two points at halftime, it exploded for 36 in the third quarter to put the Lakers away. Chris Ford had four three-point plays and Larry Bird "chirped" in with three more for the Celtics. Cornbread Maxwell led Boston in scoring with 30 points and Kareem Abdul-Jabbar had 40 for L.A...Boston easily won the second game as six players broke double figures scoring, while Jabbar had 32 for the losers...Highlights included: Atlanta coming from seven points down with a minute to go and defeating the 76ers in the playoffs on a shot at the buzzer by Armond Hill. Eddie Johnson had two three-point plays for the Hawks in the frenzied final minute. Worst whippin' was San Antonio's 143-81 massacre of Houston. Boston edged Seattle in an overtime thriller, 102-100; L.A. did likewise against Milwaukee, 117-115, as Jim Chones hit a shot at the buzzer, and Atlanta nipped Phoenix, 103-102, on another last-second shot, this one by Eddie Johnson. Fred Brown ('Downtown Freddie') fired in an amazing 10 three-pointers to win MVP of All-Star game...Division winners were Boston (Atlantic), L.A. (Pacific), San Antonio (Central) and Denver (Midwest).

GREATER GOLDEN VALLEY TABLE SPORTS - Minnesota-based face-to-face league that replayed 1979 National League baseball season...Highlight of the full-season replay was Dave Kingman's pursuit of Roger Maris' real-life home run record of 61--a chase in which Kingman caught and passed Maris by eight homers. Kingman collected No. 62 on Sept. 12 against St. Louis and Silvio Martinez, and went on to finish with a whopping 69...Despite Kingman's prodigious power hitting feats, Larry Parrish of the Expos was selected MVP after leading the league in batting (.336), hits (214) and doubles (56)...Cincinnati, piloted by Jeff Meyer, won the West Division and also defeated Harry Mihalas' Pirates in the playoffs, 4-3...Meanwhile, David Meyer's Expos won the East, moving into first place on May 26 and staying on top the rest of the way...Tim Olson managed the Cubs and marveled at Kingman's home run exploits...Frank Tanana, an extra drafted by San Francisco, hurled the only no-hitter, shutting down Los Angeles...both regular and extra players were used by GGVTS, with teams also drafting A.L. extras and establishing farm teams. Roster limit was 25 players, though, and only three movements of a player between the majors and minor league were permitted...There was a 20 percent rule as far as exceeding real-life at-bats and innings pitched.

Standings, leaders and playoff results:

East	W	L	GB	West	W	L	GB	Playoffs (Games)
Montreal	94	68	-	Cincinnati	98	64	-	Pittsburgh d.
Pittsburgh	86	76	8	Los Angeles	90	72	8	Chicago, 4-3
Chicago	86	76	8	San Diego	90	72	8	Los Angeles d. San
St. Louis	83	79	11	Houston	81	81	17	Diego, 4-2
Philadel.	74	88	20	Atlanta	70	92	28	Pittsburgh d.
New York	61	101	33	San Fran'cisco	59	103	39	Montreal, 4-1

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<u>Playoffs con't</u>	<u>Batting</u>	<u>Home Runs</u>	<u>RBI</u>
Cincinnati d. Los Angeles, 4-2	Parrish MON .336	Kingman CHI 69	Kingman CHI 166
<u>Final</u>	Oberkfell SL .310	Horner ATL 50	Horner ATL 130
Cincinnati d. Pittsburgh, 4-3	Rose PHI .309	Schmidt PHI 49	Ivie SF 125
<u>Strikeouts</u>	<u>ERA</u>	<u>Wins</u>	<u>H: Parrish</u>
Richard HOU 328	Richard HOU 2.00	Richard HOU 22-13	MON 214
Carlton PHI 229	Fulgham SL 2.15	Sutcliffe LA 21-5	<u>Co: Parrish</u>
Swan NY 180	Rogers MON 2.40	Seaver CIN 20-8	MON 56
		Niekro HOU 20-17	<u>3B: Temple-</u>
	<u>MVP: Parrish MON</u>	<u>Cy Young:</u>	ton SL 17
		Richard HOU	
<u>SH: Richard HOU 7</u>			
<u>SA: Tidrow CHI; Sutter CHI, 22</u>			

DIVISION ALL-STARS REPLAY - Jon Bourdon, a 17-year junior in high school in Lee, MA, and nine-year S-O-M gamer, conducted a unique football replay in which the best players from each division were matched against each other...A 16-game schedule took two months to complete and the AFC West stars, winners of the AFC with a 10-6 record, defeated the NFC Central, 27-21 in the so-called Super Bowl of the 'Stars...Cards used were based on 1979 season...Walter Payton personally led the NFC Central team into the playoffs as he rushed for 2,071 yards, scored 20 TDs and averaged 5.5. The NFC Central squad led the league in rushing with 196.6 yards per game...Meanwhile, the AFC West team was sparked by Dan Fouts, who passed for 3,588 yards and 27 scores...The AFC East had the best overall offense (336.6 yards) and defense (300.7), but dropped its last two games and missed the playoffs...Joe Washington (AFC East) was most versatile player, rushing for 809 yards and catching 69 passes for 802 more...AFC Central stumbled because of Terry Bradshaw's ineptitude as Steeler QB completed only 48 percent of passes and had 21 picked off. Earl Campbell rushed for 1,267 yards and 15 TDs, but fumbled 16 times as team had league-high 63 turnovers...Tony Franklin of NFC East led in scoring with 121 points (including 26 field goals), but squad stumbled as Roger Staubach and Joe Theismann were sacked 51 times...In the Super showdown, Ted McKnight rushed for 121 yards in only eight attempts and scored once on a 66-yard scamper to lift the AFC West to a 27-21 triumph over the NFC Central. Payton sprinted to 158 in 24 carries but was spilled for a three-yard loss on the game's last play and the NFC Central on the two-yard line.

Standings and leaders:

AFC	W	L	NFC	W	L	Rushing	Yds.	Avg.
West	10	6	Central	9	7	Payton NFC	2071	5.5
East	9	7	West	8	8	Campbell AFC	1267	4.0
Central	6	10	East	6	10	Bell NFC	936	3.9
						Anderson NFE	898	4.8
<u>Receiving</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Yds.</u>				<u>Co-MVP: Dan Fouts AFW</u>		
Jefferson AFW	62	1287				Walter Payton NFC		
T.Hill NFE	59	1141						
Chandler NFW	57	1049						

'SUPERTEAMS' BASEBALL TOURNAMENT - Dave Scheer, Spencerport, NY, again ran off two single-elimination tournaments -- one basic version and the other advanced -- using the best card for each position...Basic cards covered 1962-1980, advanced from 1971 to 1980...Atlanta Braves won the basic version, winning six out of seven games, including defeating Montreal in finals; while the Detroit Tigers, victors in five straight games, including a pair of extra-inning thrillers, captured the advanced tourney...Atlanta's lineup consisted of: '74 Ralph Garr (LF), '79 Darrell Evans (3B), '71 Hank Aaron (RF), '70 Rico Carty (DH), '66 Joe Torre (C), '72 Dusty Baker (CF), '66 Felipe Alou (1B), '64 Denis Menke (SS), '70 Felix Milan (2B) and pitchers '74 Buzz Capra and '67 Phil Niekro.

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