

## STRAT-O-MATIC

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## REVIEW

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### 'Strato Mania'

#### *Fictional account of draft night makes headlines*

Stephen Glazier has a Strat-O-Matic story that's - well - one for the book. His story, about a fictional draft night for a fictional S-O-M league, he hopes to see some day become a reality, both in print and on TV.

Glazier, a would-be-author who calls Los Angeles home, has written a book entitled "Strato Mania." It's pure fiction, or so excerpts from the book that appeared in the August 19 issue of the Los Angeles Free Weekly would have you believe.

But anyone even remotely involved (or hooked on) S-O-M will find themselves in the article. Personalities and occupations may vary (one of the league members was described as "a strolling violinist in lounges around the Valley...who had a top-40 band, did TV spots and standup comedy"), but all shared their love of THE GAME.

Two of the league's members were pharmacists; most were married, although one was a devout bachelor who "drove a 280ZX and always had some blonde at his side in a jogging suit."

Glazier does an excellent job with his personality sketches of the 'characters' in his novel, is obviously a very talented writer and hopes, in the near future, to have the novel accepted by a large publishing house and maybe even some day turned into a TV sit com, with the California suburbs the scenario for a "sort of Happy Days-Animal House-Archie

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Bunker type comedy series, or made-for-TV movie.

Whether the general public would relate to it all would be a worthy question, but there's no mistaking that S-O-M fans would be delighted.

For instance, when Glazier says "Strat-O-Matic Baseball was wrapped in a symbiotic embrace with the day-to-day events in real major league baseball," everyone who has ever rolled an S-O-M die can relate to that. "Watching your players on TV," continued Glazier, "you knew that each hit, stolen base, or strikeout would find its way onto next year's computer card."

Glazier goes on: "Scouting the new cards and watching the reports from spring training was often the high point of the season for Gene [one of the less successful, as far as wins and losses, managers in the seven-team Valley League]. Those uncooperative dice had no effect on this phase of the game. The distinction between baseball reality and Strato fantasy became extremely blurred here. In selecting a player a player you had to consider not only the dice probabilities down the columns on the computer card, but also his future in the big leagues."

Another of the league's managers, one Bruce Hays by name, had been voted out of office as commissioner after five years and "was feeling a little paranoid. He accepted the rationale for a rotating commissioner-ship but couldn't quite reconcile himself to being out of office until year XXXVI."

#### A 'GRAND' TIME IN THE VALLEY

Along with the draft, the other main item on the draft night agenda was whether or not the Valley League should sweeten the payoff to the eventual champion - to about \$2,000! Most balked at it. One league member wanted to put in a grand: "Something substantial, so it hurts a little, but not out of the question." Most thought it totally out of the question and that it would hurt a lot.

One of the wives - the spouses all gathered in the den to talk about children, etc., except for the girlfriend in the jogging suit who was at the side of "her manager" throughout the proceedings - was pregnant. She had suffered through two miscarriages before, so "everyone was afraid to ask her how she felt, like not jinxing a pitcher halfway [she was four months along] through a no-hitter. Nine innings to perfection, nine months from conception," writes Glazier.

One of the managers had a 10-year-old son who constantly pestered his dad to let him have a team. "Go play Dungeon Masters," he was told. No one wanted a little boy [especially one that knew baseball and computers so well] in the men's club."

When the draft was finally held, the manager that coveted Hal McRae sweated out each pick, hoping that baseball's best DH would be available for his next turn. And, as has happened to every red-blooded [and faced] dice-roller, McRae was picked just before this manager's turn.

#### THE CURSE OF REGGIE

The same manager that lost out on McRae, also had Reggie Jackson, or the curse of Reggie as it was popularly known as. "When Gene traded for Jackson two years ago, he inherited the curse and his bad luck got worse," writes Glazier.

Gene clung to the real-life memory of Jackson hitting three home runs in the final World Series game in 1977. "Of course," as Glazier chidingly writes, "clutch play was one variable not built into Strato. Last year Reggie hit five home runs in a 48-game season and the Ions went 15-33."

Gene was coaxed into an exhibition game before the gathering broke up. Cal Ripken, No. 1 draft pick of one of the gamer's, immediately rolled a 1-7. "That ball is in orbit," cried son of manager, who promptly did a home run trot around the sofa. Gene, Ripken's manager felt some joy with the first-inning wallop, but also experienced that sinking feeling that every 1-7 rolled when it didn't really count was being wasted and would perhaps mean one less such blow during the regular

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# Readers roll 'em

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## PRAISE FOR BASKETBALL

I really enjoy the new football game. It is much more realistic than the old one. One more comment I would like to make: If baseball and football are so great, how come so many people use so many playing tips to make them better?

Basketball, the most underrated S-O-M game, couldn't use playing tips if you wanted to.

Basketball is virtually flawless, except for injuries, which are a pain in all S-O-M games anyway.

I would like to see about six old-timer basketball teams to play on our "cardboard" court. My suggestions are: 1961-62 Philadelphia, '71-72 Los Angeles, '64-65 Boston, '66-77 Philadelphia, '70-71 Milwaukee and '72-73 Boston.

RON DUCHESNE

## HOW DOES PBM WORK?

By the way, you might consider explaining, in a future issue, how play-by-mail leagues work.

I've been playing S-O-M since 1976, including the three years I lived in Europe, but I never knew until receiving your Review that there were S-O-M leagues. It seems to me that a PBM manager would be forced to send a postcard to his opponent every time someone reached base, or at least every half-inning; there are so many moves for a manager to make.

It takes me 90 minutes (at least) to play a game solitaire fashion; it must take two correspondents six months. I'm sure plenty of your readers are unfamiliar with PBM rules.

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Editor's note: An excellent idea. We hope to have an article about how to play-by-mail in the next issue, if time and deadlines don't permit one to be printed this month. We are curious, however, as to why it takes 90 minutes to play one

baseball game solitaire? Average length of a game, at least for us, has always been 15-30 minutes, whether it be face-to-face or solitaire.

## COMMISSIONER THEORY WRONG

In the August issue you printed a letter by Anthony Giacobbe which supported the views of Kurt Sney on commissioners. Giacobbe stated flatly that "we do have certain advantages."

I have only one year of PBM experience and have just assumed the post of co-commissioner of the World's Best Basketball League, sharing it with Willis Ringen, but I can tell you that Giacobbe is wrong.

Ideally, there should be no reason why a commissioner's post should give that coach any distinct advantage over his fellow coaches. If a league is truly fair to all, there should be restraints to prevent the commissioner (or anyone else) from abusing his power.

Two examples come to mind: the draft and free agents. Any commissioner worth his salt will mail his draft intentions to a fellow coach if the draft is handled by mail, so as to prevent the automatic drafting of the "best athlete" on the board. He should only allow himself as much foresight as he gives the other coaches in the league.

In the WBSL, we have established a "priority waiver system" where the worst teams in the league receive the first crack at free agents when they are immediately made available.

This was designed to ensure a degree of parity and stability - often, a commissioner gets to free agents first merely because information passes through his hands before it reaches other coaches.

The only surefire advantage in a PBM league is knowing the personnel, as well as or better than the other coaches. Face it, folks - coaching skills are slightly over-rated and general managing is the name of the game. In all sports, that is - not necessarily  
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just basketball.

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#### WANTS ROSTERS PRINTED

I would like to propose a service you could provide for the gaming community.

I run a play-by-mail draft baseball league and we hold our draft before the cards come out. Would it be possible for you to find out from the company (S-O-M) which players will be given cards as soon as the company decides and publish the rosters in the Review in November or December?

This information would be very helpful for managers trying to decide who to draft.

JIM MORROW

Editor's note: You have a worthy idea. But whether it is workable or not depends on the time element and how quickly S-O-M has the rosters available. We will check with S-O-M about the possibility, though.

#### CLOSE RACES ARE THE KEY

If Strat-O-Matic is researching a new season to print, I'd like to make a suggestion.

It would benefit the game more and baseball fans alike if seasons are printed with close races in each league.

What also could be considered is injecting some new blood into the game. There are some great players that either aren't in Strato or only in off years they had.

The 1928 and 1949 seasons are a good example. Every race is close, with the biggest spread of two and a half games when the 1928 Yanks beat out the A's. These years feature good years from non-existent Strato players such as Ralph Kiner, Sunny Jim Bottomley, Vern Stephens, Babe Herman and Chick Hafey.

And better years from Mel Parnell, George Kell, Joe Sewell, Jesse Haines, Goose Goslin, Enos Slaughter, Chuck Klein, etc.

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#### KEEP PAST SEASONS COMING

I'm hoping S-O-M will continue to issue the past season cards. If it does, I would like to recommend that it base the choice on a year that has good hitting, including power, good pitching and close pennant races.

A player who hits 40 home runs when over half the teams have more home runs than games played and the Cy Young winner is over 3.00 ERA, is not as effective as his numbers indicate.

S-O-M should definitely rule out the 1930 season, because a player in the National League hitting .300 is below the league average. On the other hand, 1931 would be very interesting. Although the pennant races were not close, there was some pitching (Lefty Grove of the A's had a 2.06 ERA, Gomez of the Yankees 2.63), and plenty of hitting, although the N.L. was short on power.

Other excellent seasons worth printing would be, in my opinion, 1934, 1948, 1949, 1954 (Ted Williams would have an interesting card with 386 at-bats, 29 home runs, 136 walks and a .345 average. With the league average at .257, his card would be quite useful), 1957 and 1959.

Some minuses for the 1959 season, however, would be that Stan Musial and Williams both had off years, and the low averages in the A.L.

Perhaps the best year, in my opinion, would be the 1969 season, reprinted with an advanced side. This would make the original edition less valuable, but if I could get my hands on a 1969 edition with an advanced version, then I doubt if I would feel very sorry for the unfortunate persons with such bad luck of having their cards devalued.

Personally, I wouldn't have any editions without the advanced side, since there are other games on the market that would allow one to make any season one wanted.

The 1969 season would have three N.L. players over .340 (Roe, Jones and Clemente) and two players with 44 or more home runs (Aaron and McCovey). The pitching was vintage with Merichal (2.10), Carlton (2.17), Gibson (2.18),

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# Questions & Answers

Editor's note: Questions regarding individual and team ratings will not be answered in most cases, unless a mistake has been made on the card. The game company cannot, for reasons of security, divulge its card-making formula, which would be necessary to answer some of the questions completely.

QUESTION: Was there a roster sheet issued listing the names of the 1968 extra players (80 additional players for expansion purposes) in addition to the regular 1969 baseball sheet for the 1968 season?

ANSWER: Yes.

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QUESTION: What was a pitcher's hitting rating in 1962 and 1963, a "1" or a "2"?

ANSWER: It was a "2".

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QUESTION: Why was tight end Bruce Hardy omitted from the 1981 Miami Dolphins? Hardy caught 15 passes in 16 games for 174 yards, yet Ron Lee (14 catches in 15 games for 64 yards) got a card.

ANSWER: Ron Lee was the starter in all games that he played.

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QUESTION: In football, when playing the 3-4 defense (old game), the roving linebacker moves into the vacant tackle spot and pass is called. Play results in pass rush. What is the call on the X-Chart? Is it the regular pass rush rating for the defense or do you reduce the pass rush rating by 1 and view play as one linebacker blitzing?

ANSWER: According to Strat-O-Matic: "If teams don't normally play a 3-4, pass rush is reduced by 1. Rover is considered an O-rated tackle or end, not a blitzing linebacker."

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QUESTION: Under the new penalty system, a running play results in a fumble lost by the offense. However, the penalty die comes up a 6, and the result is a No. 1-4 or 6-7 on the defense. What is the call? Whose ball and where? On turnovers, the "concluding line of scrimmage (after the play) and first down" is confusing. Please clarify.

ANSWER: Penalty happened after the play so ball belongs to defense. Defense is penalized from where ball was recovered.

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QUESTION: Why wasn't Jerry Reuss of the 1980 Los Angeles Dodgers a starter with an asterisk? Although he is both a starter/reliever, he has more innings pitched than any other pitcher on the team. Also, what about Billy Pierce and Billy O'Dell of the '62 Giants? Is that a mixup on the roster sheet? Pierce received an asterisk for 160 innings; O'Dell did not with 281 innings.

ANSWER: O'Dell should have an asterisk, too, according to S-O-M.

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QUESTION: Does Strat-O-Matic plan on issuing cards for the first United States Football League season?

ANSWER: No.

## How to 'calculate' split numbers

Editor's note: The author of the following article, Paul Quesada of Troy, MI, is a 17-year veteran of Strat-O-Matic gaming. A recent subscriber to the Review, Quesada has been intrigued as to how play-by-mail leagues operate. His article, though, deals with a method of split-number selection using a programmable calculator.

BY PAUL QUESADA

"I have been using the programmable calculator method of obtaining split numbers for several years before I encountered Bryan Baker's dice conversion method in a back issue of the Review I ordered. The dice method is certainly unsurpassed for economy and efficiency and at first I considered retiring my calculator to the 'Strato Museum.'

This idea met with stiff resistance from fellow league members, however.

Aside from the aura of electronic sophistication it lends to the playing field, the calculator also presents a formidable presence much like that of the umpire in real life. We find ourselves intimidated and infuriated by the arrogance of the machine itself. A manager in position to steal or try for an extra base will so often cast an apprehensive glance toward the calculator before making his decision.

### COST IS NOT PROHIBITIVE

I have discovered a simple computer program that simulates random split-number selection and can be punched into many moderately priced, hand-held calculators. For those looking to modernize their S-O-M playing field with the latest electronic wizardry, perhaps this is your system.

I use a Texas Instruments model TI-55-II, which I purchased for under \$35. But any programmable calculator will do if it performs certain functions I will list later. If you already own a TI-55-II, or if you have an inkling to go out and buy one, I have provided the exact key sequence to activate the program. You won't need to know anything about programming or even how the program works.

I have also provided a basic outline of how the program works. If you own a different model calculator (or a personal computer), and know how to program it, you should have little trouble writing this information into a workable program.

### KEY SEQUENCE FOR TI-55-II

1. ON/C	11. $\pi$	20. 5	29. =	36. STO
2. ON/C	12. +	21. =	30. 2nd	37. 0
3. 2nd	13. RCL	22. STO	31. 2	38. R/S
4. 3	14. 0	23. 0	32. RST	
5. 2nd	15. =	24. X	33. LRN	
6. LRN	16. Y <sup>x</sup>	25. 2	34. RST	
7. 1	17. 8	26. 0	35. Enter a positive number less	
8. LRN	18. =	27. +	than 1, for example:	
9. 2nd	19. 2nd	28. 1	[0.9866 or 0.015]	
10. RST				

At this point, a number between 1 and 20 will appear on the display. The (R/S) key is the only key you press whenever you want a new split number. For all practical purposes, the selection is 100 percent random.

#### Possible problems and solutions:

1. Predictable number sequence. This occurs if the number stored in memory (step #4 of outline) is erased and replaced with 0. The same sequence of numbers will then result: 1, 11, 15, 5, 5, 12... Be assured this will never happen while you are playing as long as you do not deliberately erase the memory or shut off the calculator. If it does happen, however, it is best simply to re-enter the entire program.

2. A predictable number sequence will also occur if you enter the

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same "positive number less than 1" everytime you punch in the program (step #35 of the key sequence; step #2 of the outline). This can be avoided by entering a different number each time you program the calculator. Also, it is best to use a number with many digits rather than a number with just one or two digits. For instance [0.784339] is better than [0.7]. This way you will have a new and unique number sequence for each time you play.

3. Cheating. Although someone "stacking" the calculator is no more likely than someone "stacking" the split deck, it can be done. To avoid this, simply "waste" several numbers prior to the start of any game.

#### PROGRAM OUTLINE

1. Begin with ( $\pi$ ).
2. Add to it a positive number less than "1".
3. Take the total and raise it to the (8th) power.
4. Isolate the fractional part and store it in memory.
5. Take that same number and multiply it by (20).
6. Add "one" (1) to the result.
7. Isolate and display the integral part.

This is your split number. To re-run the program, you will need to have made a provision for replacing your original "number less than one" in step #2 with the number stored in memory in step #4.

If you have a programmable calculator, but not a TI-55-II, all you need to write your own random number program is a universal power key [i.e:  $Y^X$ ] and a key that will separate the integral part of a number from the fractional part.

For example, given the number (7.2), you need a key that will isolate either the (7) or the (0.2). This function is called either an "integer" function or a "fractional" function. Most programmable calculators have one or the other; some have both.

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## Strat-O-Matic spotlight

### '27 YANKEES RULE AGAIN

Jim Muldrow is a 25-year-old sports writer for the Monroe, NC, Enquirer-Journal, a graduate of University of North Carolina and a veteran of S-O-M baseball gaming, having played the game for 14 years. He also has completed a 14-month tournament where he took 324 teams and played double-elimination until all but one team had been eliminated.

The 1927 Yanks, to the surprise of no one, particularly Muldrow, emerged victors. The Yanks were extended two games by the 1977 Reds in the final, however, as once-beaten Cincinnati whipped New York in the opener, 9-6, and finally bowed out 7-4 in 10 innings.

Seven singles in the top of the eighth inning produced five runs and gave the Reds the win. Babe Ruth, who had homered in the first-game loss, cracked a three-run, two-out homer in the 10th to decide the finale. The homer came on a roll of 2-10. It was gone! Two innings earlier, however, in the exact same situation, Ruth rolled a 5-5 against Pedro Borbon (HR 1-3, fly rf 4-20) and the result was flyout.

Earlier in the tournament, the '77 Reds were edged by the '27 Yanks, 1-0, as Urban Shocker outduelled John Billingham. Closest call after the loss was against the '56 White Sox when the Reds, trailing 9-6 entering the ninth inning, got a grand slam from Joe Morgan. The Chisox tied it in the ninth, though, and it wasn't until Dan Oriesen singled in Joe Morgan in the 11th inning for a wild 10-9 triumph. George Foster went 5-for-6 with two homers and four RBI for the winners.

Muldrow wound up playing 647 games. No DH was used and lineups were those of the most frequently used players. No seeding was done.

"This was the most satisfying S-O-M project I've ever undertaken," says Muldrow, who experienced a number of memorable moments including:

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Mickey Mantle ('64 Yankees) homering three times and driving in seven runs in 9-1 win over '74 Detroit; the '74 Dodgers scoring 12 runs in the eighth inning en route to routing the '56 Phillies, 18-4 [Andy Messersmith went 4-for-5 for the winners]; Tim McCarver of the '67 Cardinals going 6-for-6 in 16-6 win over '71 Reds and Bob Knepper of the '77 Giants striking out 16 in 3-0 victory over the '76 Braves.

#### SHORT SHAKES

...Congratulations to W.P. Conn on his 20th anniversary - 20 years of playing Strat-O-Matic, that is...Fernando Valenzuela was the difference in a mini replay [60 games per team] conducted by two college students, Stuart Hack and Seth Marlowe, of Forest Hills, NY. For starters, Valenzuela won 14 games and fashioned a 2.10 ERA for Marlowe's Cosmics (each manager guided three teams) and then, after serving up a three-run homer to Cal Ripken that cost him a 5-4 loss to the Destroyers in the first game of the playoffs, Valenzuela came back and won games No. 4 and 7 to clinch the championship...A couple of additions to help clarify Carey Miller (Saskatoon, Sask.) playing tip in the July, 1983 issue of the Review: No. 3 - Speed/Range refers to pitcher rating; No. 7 - Speed/Range refers to 3B rating; and No. 11 - Speed/Range refers to 1B rating...Another baseball tournament reported recently was conducted by Kevin Connelly and Toby Carrig, Little Falls, NY, who used 84 teams in the Ultimate S-O-M Tournament of Champions. Teams were from 1974 through 1982. The 1980 teams captured the glory as Montreal defeated the Yankees, 4-1, in the final series - a series that never took place in real-life. Ellis Valentine of the Expos was MVP, after hitting .388, while Scott Sanderson won three games as Montreal went 11-1...

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Seaver (2.21) and Koosman (2.28). In the A.L., pitching was almost as good with Bosman (2.19), Palmer (2.34), Cuellar (2.38), Messersmith (2.52) and Peterson (2.55).

Killebrew, Howard and Reggie Jackson had 49, 48 and 47 home runs, respectively. Yastrzemski and Petrocelli for Boston had 40 home runs each. The 1969 A.L. had low averages balanced by a lot of home runs (six teams had 148 or more homers), along with some very good pitchers.

Both leagues also had a total of eight players with 40 or more stolen bases, adding another dimension.

Any of the other years not mentioned would have too much pitching, not enough pitching, too much hitting or not enough hitting.

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Editor's note: S-O-M has revealed that it will be coming out

with the 1970 and 1930 seasons next year. The 1930 season, despite the label of being an aberration for the hitting in the N.L., was chosen because so many Review readers had wanted it in a poll.

#### STATS ARE ENJOYABLE

In response to the letter in September's issue from Brad Cummings, I would like to say that I disagree with him about the stats from other leagues being boring or useless.

Being statistically minded, as most true baseball fans are, I enjoy comparing the specific stats that a team or player has compiled to those that I use in the leagues that I play in.

Being a player and a collector of S-O-M Baseball, I also disagree with Mr. Cummings about the alleged nuisance of "too many ads in the Review." I've found these ads to be very helpful in obtaining scarce Strat cards from years gone by.

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## Bob Clineman's featured in newspaper articles

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Bob Clineman wasn't given a ticker tape parade when he returned, in a sense, a conquering hero. But he was the beneficiary of two newspaper feature stories, which detailed his winning the advanced baseball tournament trophy at last summer's Lyman Bostock Memorial gathering at Hobart, IN, near Gary.

James Sanders, organizer of the Bostock Memorial Tournament, sent along clippings of the articles. One was written by Dick Peterson, the other by Steve Metsch, although in both cases the name of the newspaper was not visible (both are presumed to be in Illinois, since that's where Clineman resides; i.e. Crystal Lake).

Clineman, who is sports director at WMCW radio, guided the 1971 Baltimore Orioles to the championship. "I've always liked them," says Clineman of the Baltimore birds in Peterson's article. "The Orioles had hitting, pitching and defense. I don't know which one was strongest. I still can't figure out how the Pirates beat them (in the 1971 World Series)."

At the convention, Baltimore defeated the 1956 Brooklyn Dodgers for the championship. Frank Robinson and Davey Johnson each hit three home runs off Dodger pitching as Baltimore won the title in five games. "I felt I'd be one of the better players (at the convention), since I win pretty consistently," said Clineman in the article penned by Metsch.

"I had 35 double plays in 25 games and made only 12 errors - that's a solid defense. I just love these Orioles!" Clineman, 25, also loved the Orioles' pitching staff of four 20-game winners - Jim Palmer, Mike Cuellar, Dave McNally and Pat Dobson.

### 'PLAYERS ARE ALMOST ALIVE'

Regarding Strat-O-Matic Baseball, a game Clineman has been playing for over 12 years now, Peterson writes: "They don't leave a stone unturned," according to Clineman. "There's as much strategy as in real-life. It gets so intense. The players are almost alive. They get karma."

Peterson also points out that Clineman prepared for the S-O-M tourney by playing a 54-game season at home, at Crystal Lake, with friends or solitaire. "It takes me about a year to play 54 games," says Clineman. "The games move rather quickly, with each one taking about 15 to 30 minutes to play."

Continues Metsch of Clineman's gaming endeavors: "It's my main hobby - I always find time for it. It's so realistic, a lot more than the other (baseball) games."

"Clineman is a manager of a different breed," sums up Metsch. "Instead of leading the troops from the dugout, he sits in a chair, rolls the dice and lets his players' cards do the talking."

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## Baseball playing tip

Ira Wolins, a frequent contributor to the pages of the Review, passes along a baseball playing tip that he picked up from his girlfriend's brother.

Wolins, who lives in Philadelphia, PA, says that the brother keeps the score and inning for his Strat-O-Matic Baseball games by using a supermarket budget adding machine (cost: about \$1) and a little ingenuity.

On one side of the "scoreboard" would be run slots (instead of price totals) for the home and visiting teams and to the right would be slots for the number of the inning.

"Any onlooker can determine which team is leading and how many innings have been played," says Wolins.

## S-O-M, NFL rules are in conflict

HOW WOULD YOU HAVE RULED?

Leon Kalayjian, Rye, NY, raises an interesting question regarding Strat-O-Matic Pro Football rules and National Football League rules.

Actually, Kalayjian was asked to make a ruling when a rule was questioned, and vociferously disputed, by two gamers locked in a tense struggle with S-O-M Football.

The two teams were the New York Jets and Kansas City Chiefs. The situation was this: the Jets had the ball on Kansas City's 20-yard line, with 30 seconds to play and holding a two-point lead. The Jets' coach decided not to risk a fumble and opted to kick a field goal, figuring that most of the time would expire. The kick was good, putting the Jets up by five points.

Only 15 seconds remained and New York appeared to have the game won since Kansas City didn't have a touchdown result on its kick return card. The kickoff, however, went into the end zone for a touchback. Kansas City's coach argued that since the ball was not touched that NFL rules state the clock would not have moved.

"The Jet coach humored the Chief coach," says Kalayjian, "and half-heartedly played the last play - after all, what could happen?" Well, the worst - as far as New York - possible result occurred. The Jets called a pass defense, Kansas City's Joe Delaney got the call on an end run, and the result was an 82-yard touchdown run.

The Jets' coach then argued the last play should never have counted; that S-O-M rules state, under timing, that all kickoffs not returned count as 15 seconds on the clock. Kansas City's coach, of course, argued that NFL rules prevailed, whereby the clock doesn't start until the ball is touched in the last two minutes of either half.

Strat-O-Matic's rules, in this situation, anyway, are in conflict with NFL rules. What's the answer?

Well, according to Kalayjian, who tried to resolve the dispute, he felt that the "NY Jets' reasoning was more on base than the reasoning of the Chiefs' coach. When I put myself in the place of the Jet coach, I can see that he played the game according to the rules and could not have known about such a deviation."

James Williams of Strat-O-Matic disagrees, although admitting the game company's rules in this situation may not adhere to those in the NFL. "Our rules state that a touchback, or kickoff not returned, are 15 seconds on the clock. That's in the rules. Both coaches should have read the rules and gone by them, unless making other arrangements as to timing of the game."

What do you, the readers, think?

Kalayjian's solution, after patiently listening to all arguments, was to suggest an overtime period - with the first team to score winning the game.

It turned out that Kansas City kicked a 27-yard field goal and won the game. It also turned out that Kansas City went on to win its division with an 11-5 record and the New York Jets finished at 10-6. Hmmm...

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## Football playing tip

Max Monroe of Davisville, WV, has a football playing tip that he feels will "add more thrills, chills and spills to your Strat-O-Matic Pro Football games."

His suggestion is to create option cards (on the next page is a standard option card) to provide for such trickery as end-arounds, half-back passes, quick kicks, and punter/field goal kicker passes and runs.

A receiver, along with taking off on a reverse, can also fling a pass. "You now have every play in the playbook," enthuses Monroe.

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## OPTION CARD

PUNTER & FIELD GOAL KICKER		RECEIVER		RUNNING BACK	
PASS	RUN	PASS	END AROUND	PASS	QUICK KICK
2-INC.	-8	2-INC.	-5	2-TD	+27 RD
3-INC.	+18	3-+23	+21	3-INC.	+21 OB
4-+32	+24	4-+19	+12	4-+27	+25 FC
5-+21	+16	5-+17	+24	5-+19	+22 OB
6-+16	+20	6-+24	+21	6-+21	+24 FC
7-INC.	O.F. 2-8	7-INC.	O.F. 2-7	7-INC.	BLOCKED
8-+29	REC. 9-12	8-+22	REC. 8-12	8-+26	REC. DEF.
9-+25	+19	9-+16	+20	9-+16	+21 RD
10-SACK-9	+17	10-+36	+27	10-SACK-11	+23 RD
11-+37	TD	11-SACK-9	+2	11-+24	O.F. 2-6
12-INT. RET. BALL TAKEN AWAY WHILE RUNNING. RET. +33		12-INT. RET. O. RAN INTO OWN TEAM. MATE INC. REST OF GAME.		12-0 ROLL	REC. 7-12

\*DICE ROLL OF 1234 USE OPTION CARD

\*DICE ROLL OF 56 USE DEFENSIVE CARD

\*OPTION CALL IS LIMITED TO TWICE PER HALF

RD-ROLLS DEAD OB-OUT OF BOUNDS FC-FAIRCATCH

CLEVELAND BROWNS  
OPTION CARD 1968

DON COCKROFT		PAUL WARFIELD		LEROY KELLY	
PASS	RUN	PASS	END AROUND	PASS	QUICK KICK
2-INC.	-9	2-INC.	-9	2-INC.	+19 OB
3-+29	+23	3-+41	+31	3-TD	+24 OB
4-+27	+29	4-INC.	+16	4-+18	+31 RD
5-+26	+26	5-+29	+29	5-+26	+27 FC
6-+22	+25	6-+32	+27	6-+31	+29 FC
7-INC.	O.F. 2-7	7-INC.	O.F. 2-7	7-INC.	BLOCKED
8-+23	REC. 8-12	8-+44	REC. 8-12	8-+13	REC. DEF.
9-SACK-7	+22	9-+26	+30	9-+29	+22 OB
10-+36	TD	10-+19	TD	10-SACK-8	+26 OB
11-+12	+31	11-SACK-9	+4	11-+39	O.F. 2-4
12-INT. RET. O. TRIPS ON TRIUMPHES FOR TD. FOOT FALLS DOWN.		12-INT. RET. O. PISHED FOR TD. OB FALLS INTO BENCH. INT. REST OF GAME.		12-DARK	REC. 10-12

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Note that on the bottom of the option card are asterisks signifying that if the dice roll (white die) is 1, 2, 3 or 4, use the option card. But if the dice roll is 5 or 6, then you use the defensive card instead.

Also note that the option play call by the offense is limited to twice per half.

In addition to the option card, Monroe has also created a specific card for the 1968 Cleveland Browns.

"I have made a card for each of my teams for the 1968 season," continues Monroe. "No two cards are exactly alike, of course, as the poorer teams have trouble making anything work."

Monroe does not mention if the results were derived from real-life statistics, or whether they were arbitrarily created by his own hand.

Purists could, if interested in option cards, could create their own entirely from statistics, and for any year.

Any book that has all the statistics would be a good source. You could check through for passing attempts by backs other than the quarterback, or for running attempts by ends.

Even running attempts by punters and placekickers should be available. Note that Monroe created an option card for Cleveland's punter Don Cockroft, along with wide receiver Paul Warfield and running back Leroy Kelly.

Another football playing tip, this one dealing with kicks that fail or are blocked, is found on the next page.  
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Ira Wolins, a frequent contributor to the Review of invaluable as well as realistic playing tips in baseball, basketball and football, has teamed with Norman Brahen, both of whom live in Philadelphia, PA, for the football playing tips below.

#### KICKS THAT FALL

If an extra point attempt or field goal attempt is no good, roll two dice and consult the following chart:

RESULT	EXTRA POINTS & 1-12-YARD LINE	13 TO 22 YARD LINE	23 TO 32 YARD LINE	33 TO 37 YARD LINE
Blocked *	2, 12	2, 12	2, 12	2, 12
Hit Post	4, 7, 10	4, 10	3, 11	3, 11
Off Left	3, 5, 6	3, 5, 6	5, 6	5, 6
Off Right	8, 9, 11	8, 9, 11	8, 9	8, 9
Short	--	7	4, 7, 10	4, 7, 10

#### \* BLOCKED KICKS CHART:

If the no good kick was blocked, roll two dice and consult the following chart:

2, 4	- Loose ball [-9 yards from line of scrimmage] +
6	- Loose ball [-7 yards from line of scrimmage] +
3, 5, 7, 9, 11	- Dead ball, 1st & 10 <u>opponent</u>
8	- Loose ball [-8 yards from line of scrimmage] +
10, 12	- Loose ball [-10 yards from line of scrimmage] +

+ Roll for fumble recovery. Following chart was contributed by the Otsego Football League, which Review co-editor Warren Newell belongs to.

Dice Roll	Result			
2	-	+33 yards **	6	- +2 yards
3	-	+13 yards	7	- * fumble
4	-	-1 yard	8	- +5 yards
5	-	+11 yards	9	- +2 yards
			10	- -1 yard
			11	- +2 yards + fumble *
			12	- Touchdown **

\* Roll dice again; \*\* Maximum gain for lineman is 30 yards.

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## Profiles in Strat-O-Matic

STEVE DULL, 8933 Highland St., Highland, IN...16 years old and a S-O-M gamer since Christmas of 1976 when he received the baseball game as a gift...Has played all of S-O-M's games, except college football, but concentrates these days on baseball and hockey, which he was introduced to in late 1980...Currently belongs to Don Miron's Gordie Howe Classic league (his franchise is the Oilers and Gretzky the Great)...His favorite hockey team, however, is the Chicago Black Hawks (he's also a long suffering fan of the Chicago Cubs)...A junior in high school, where he plays on the varsity baseball team.

LEWIS SNYDER, 42 Chapin St., Jamestown, NY...30 years old...employed by Chautauqua County Sheriff's Department in the juvenile division...married and father of two children...has played S-O-M Baseball since 1965 and football since its inception...plays mostly solitaire, but occasionally joins with two friends to roll dice in football...No-hitter by Dizzy Vance, against 1970 Red Sox, was highlight of baseball gaming career...most horrible moment(s) was when playing elementary football his '67 Dolphins were crushed by the basketball-like score of 118-14 by the 1967 Raiders.

# Advertisements

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Rates per issue are as follows: 50 words or less - \$1.00; 51-100 words - \$2.00; 101-150 words - \$3.00. Maximum length of an ad will be 150 words. When sending in ads, specify either WANTED, FOR SALE, FOR TRADE, LEAGUE FORMING, or CONTEST. And name card sets by the year upon which they were based. Note also that only advertising for Strat-O-Matic products, or closely related merchandise, will be accepted and that merchandise competing with S-O-M products may not be offered for sale. Photo-copied cards also, of course, may not be offered for sale. Ads, to be included in the next issue, must be in to the Review by the third of the previous month. Late ads will be held over for inclusion the following month.

## Wanted

WANTED: 1971, 1975, 1976 Cubs. Willing to buy or trade from complete 1969, 1970 or 1973 baseball sets or near complete 1968 set. Please contact: Paul Lorenz, 602 Jordan Apt. 2, Mt. Vernon, IL 62864

WANTED: Six to 10 beginning to intermediate managers in Minneapolis-St. Paul area to form combination face-to-face and PBM draft baseball league. Each manager will have two teams, one in each league. League format will be decided on by managers. Contact: Jay or Mel Kuczma at 612-537-0706, 6336 Boone Avenue North, #204, Brooklyn Park, MN 55428

WANTED: Football teams: 1967 Raiders, Rams, Colts; 1968 Jets, Cowboys, Browns, Colts, Rams; 1969 Jets, Raiders, Chiefs, Cowboys, Vikings, Rams; 1970 Colts, Bengals, Cowboys, Vikings, Giants, Lions, 49ers; 1971 Colts, Chiefs, Cowboys, Vikings; 1972 Steelers, Browns, Cowboys, Giants, Packers; 1974 Steelers, Raiders; 1975 Colts, Bengals, Raiders, Rams, Cardinals. All teams must be complete and without writing on them. Darrel Sureft, 401 E. Apache Blvd., Tempe, AZ 85281 (602-965-8622)

WANTED: Andy S-O-M cards of Roberto Clemente, Willie Stargell and Terry Bradshaw. Will pay top dollar. Send prices and particulars to: Jeff Rosen, 6333 Canoga Ave. #377, Woodland Hills, CA 91367 (213-883-7726)

WANTED: November, 1979 Review and 1982 May, June, July and October Reviews. Contact: Tom Connolly, 85 Grant St., Lynn,

MA 01902 (617-599-5691)

WANTED: These baseball teams in good-excellent condition: 1969 Cubs; 1970 Orioles; 1971 Cardinals, Pirates; 1972 Reds; 1973 Angels; 1974 Braves, Dodgers; 1977 Cubs, Reds, Red Sox, Yankees, extra players; 1978 Astros; 1979 Yankees; 1980 Dodgers, Phillies. Send or call with offers: Walter Anderson, 4911 Twin Branches Way, Dunwoody, GA 30338 (404-394-2622)

WANTED: 1976 baseball teams with extra players. Excellent to fair condition. Send price and terms to: Lon McKnight, 4717 Camden Road, Madison, WI 53716

WANTED: 1977 Steve Rogers, Expos; 1977 Ellis Valentine, Expos; 1977 Tom Underwood, St. Louis Cardinals. Will pay or trade individual players off my 1977 NY Yankees (no extras) for these cards. Send price or terms to: John Bouchard, 1877 Ninth Ave., Watervliet, NY 12189

WANTED: Football teams or sets from 1967 to 1969, 1971 to 1973, 1975, 1977, 1980, 1981. Will consider offers for either full sets or individual teams. Send list to: Ron Brammer, 2504 NE 52nd Ter., Kansas City, MO 64118 or call 816-455-2366.

## For Sale

FOR SALE: Baseball - Complete 1969 set in excellent condition. 1970 American League with extras in near mint condition. Will sell only as a package to highest bidder. Send offers to: Steve Alms,

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3654 37th Ave. So., Minneapolis, MN 55406 [612-721-3765]

FOR SALE: Football punting strategy is expanded with 1982 season edition punter ratings/statistically derived yardage chart for punting "coffin corner kicks." For newly revised Strat Pro Football game. No increase in price from last year's advertised edition. Enclose \$1.95. Larry Duisberg, 2712 Tomoka Avenue, Titusville, FL 32780

FOR SALE: College Football, with 24 all-time great teams plus 24 best of 1977; very good condition, \$18.50. 1976 Saints; 1977 Saints, Chiefs, Oilers, Browns, Packers, 49ers, Giants, Lions, Falcons, Redskins, Bengals, \$18 all or \$2 each. 1927 and '61 Yankees, '34 Cards, '61 Tigers, Reds and '62 Giants [basic] plus '61 Senators, mint, \$4 or 75¢ each. 10 teams from 36 past seasons, 1969-1976, \$4. 1975 A.L. East minus Red Sox, \$8. '69 Expos; '70 Twins, Senators; '71 A's, Tigers; '72 Astros, Cubs, Expos, Braves; '73 Yankees, A's, Twins, \$3 each. '76, '77, '78 Yankees; '79 Orioles, Pirates, Angels, \$2 each. Includes postage. Ralph Llamas, 18725 Arrow Highway 34, Covina, CA 91723

FOR SALE: How beneficial is Law's speed to Chicago? Is Oliver a cleanup hitter? Maximize run production with "Lineup," S-O-Mit's computer program. Lineup simulates entire baseball games (including everything from taking extra bases to double plays) while keeping tabs on runners, stats, etc. Send: team roster (I have '80-82 sets, no extras; starting lineup(s) and basic (\$5) or advanced (\$8). You'll receive: player's hit chances, statistics for different lineups, commentary, analysis of hit chances, stealing, holding runners, infield in. SASE for more information. Carlton Chin, 500 Memorial Dr. [210], Cambridge, MA 02139

FOR SALE: Basketball - 1973-74 Seattle (\$1); '74-75 Mil., GS, Wash., Bos., Buff., Phil. (\$1 each); '75-76 full set (\$23); '76-77 full set (\$24); '77-78

Full set (\$19); '79-80 Full set (\$15). All basketball, \$65. Hockey - 1978-79 set, mint (\$25); '79-80 set, mint (\$20); both for \$40. Football - 1974 Steelers (\$5); 1978 Full set (\$25); 1979 Full set (\$22); all football \$45. All of the above, \$140. This ad will run through December. All teams sold on first come, first served basis. Bruce Kutler, 2327 Haverford Road, Apt. A, Ardmore, PA 19003 [215-896-8809]. All replies will be answered.

FOR SALE: Football teams, 1968-78. Good condition. If you meet my price, I will sell immediately. Lower bids will be decided at the end of the month. Mike Bordelon, 5445 Braesvalley #724, Houston, TX 77096 [phone: 713-721-5465]

FOR SALE: 1972 A.L. (missing one White Sox); 1973 A.L. and N.L.; 1974 A.L. and N.L. All teams with extras and in good shape. Will sell in sets or as individual teams to highest bidder. Also basketball teams, complete, 1974-75 (\$16); 1976-77 (\$14); 1978-79 (\$10); 1979-80 (\$10). I will pay postage on all items. Jon Bourdon, 5 Joseph Ave., Lee, MA 01238 [413-243-9847]

FOR SALE: Football teams priced for players. All teams in excellent condition except where noted. 1971 - All teams available except Balt., SF, Dall., Mia., KC (\$4); 1972 - Min. [fair], \$1; 1975 - Det., \$2. 1976 - All teams available except Balt., Min., Oak., Pitt., LA, NE (\$3); 1977 - SF, A.L., LA, SD, Hou., Mia. (\$3); 1978 - Det., NO, Oak., SD, Cle., Mia., NY Jets (\$2); 1979 - Oak., Den., KC, Phi., Wash., Atl. (\$1); 1980 - All teams available except Oak., Phi., Cle., SD, Atl., Buf., Hou., LA (\$1). Willing to trade for early edition college football cards or baseball teams: '63 Houston, '63-65 San Francisco, '76 Philadelphia. Victor Hester, 2276 Knob Hill Dr. #1, Okemos, MI 48864

FOR SALE: 1968 Raiders (\$8); 1970 49ers (\$7); 1971 Chiefs, Colts (\$7); 1973 Cowboys, Rams, Raiders, Redskins (\$6.50); 1974 Bills, Dolphins, Redskins, Rams, Cardinals (\$6); Steelers, Vikings (\$10); 1975 Colts, Bengals, Raiders, Rams, Vikings (\$5.50); Cowboys (\$7); 1976

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Rams [\$5]; 1977 Bears, Dolphins, Vikings [\$4.50]; 1978 Patriots, Cowboys, 49ers, Redskins, Rams, Dolphins, Eagles, Chiefs [\$4]; Steelers, Vikings [\$6]; 1979 Broncos, Bucs, Oilers, Eagles, Dolphins, Cowboys, Chargers [\$4]; 1980 Raiders, Eagles [\$4.50]. All teams must go. Immediate sales to stated bids; lower bids settled toward end of month. Send bids to: Leon Kalayjian, 39 Gramercy Ave., Rye, NY 10580

FOR SALE: Strat-O-Matic Football teams and game. Included are: 1. All 28 teams from the 1980 and 1981 seasons. 2. All game parts which includes two game boxes, playing board, X-chart, etc. Price: \$25 (including postage). IF interested call: 313-756-1695, or write: Jim Khiaz, 8615 Dale, Center Line, MI 48015

FOR SALE: Baseball - 1967 full set, all teams 20 players except Tigers, Yanks, Atl., Houston [19 each] and California [18], good condition, \$90; 1968 full set, very good condition, all teams 20 players, \$125; 1969 good condition, Houston, Wash., Sea., Det., Phil. [\$6 each]; 1970 very good, LA, Cal., Mil., Minn., Cleve., White Sox, A's [\$5 each], Mets [\$4, fair]; 1971 very good to mint, each team \$5, LA, Pitt., Houston, Cubs, Mil., Minn., Cin., Wash., Bos., Cal., Clevel, Det. [20 players each], Mets, Phils [24 players each]. All baseball \$325. This ad will run through December. All teams sold on first come, first served basis. Bruce Kutler, 2327 Haverford Road, Apt. A, Ardmore, PA 19003 (215-896-8809). All replies will be answered.

FOR SALE: Baseball - 1964, '65, '66 complete sets. Football - 1970 complete set. Also the following individual teams are available: 1967 Giants, Jets, Raiders; 1968 Raiders, Chiefs, Giants, Bills, Bengals, Jets, Redskins, Eagles, Broncos, Dolphins, Chargers, Packers, Steelers, Saints, 49ers, Patriots, Oilers, Rams, Cowboys, Vikings; 1969 Giants, Vikings, Redskins, Packers, Jets, Chiefs. All teams and sets will be sold to the highest bidder received by Dec. 10. All SASE receive reply. Send

offers to: Bob Janousck, 224 Old Nyack Turnpike 7A, Spring Valley, NY 10977 (914-352-9360)

FOR SALE: Complete 1962 baseball set. S-O-M's first full season. All teams absolute mint - never used. Includes game box and all accessories except roster sheet. Still in original shipping carton. Bids accepted until November 26. Winner pays postage. SASE for guaranteed reply. Rick Hicks, 2943 Bradley Road, Huntington, WV 25704

FOR SALE: Baseball teams, average to good condition. 1969 Braves, Mets; 1970 Reds, Pirates; 1971 Pirates; 1972 Cubs, Reds, Tigers, Dodgers, Pirates, Yankees; 1973 A's; 1974 A's, Dodgers, Pirates, Orioles; 1976 Reds; 1975 complete, no extras; 1977 complete plus extras; 1978 complete plus extras. Send bids to: Mike Bordelon, 5445 Braesvalley, #724, Houston, TX 77096 (713-721-5465)

FOR SALE: Complete 1983-84 [1982-83 season] S-O-M NBA statistics. Complete individual player stats include turnovers, fouls, blocked shots, rebounds, steals and more - all on 48-minute basis for valid player comparison. Available immediately. Send \$1.95 to: Scott Fetterman, 3140 Skylight Drive W., York, PA 17402

FOR SALE: Baseball teams - 1967 Orioles, Senators, Athletics, Twins, Tigers, Yankees, Angels, Indians, Dodgers, Phillies, Cubs, Pirates, Braves, Astros, Cardinals, Giants, Mets (minus one player); 1970 with extra players, Braves, Cubs, Dodgers, Twins, Giants, Orioles, Astros, Cardinals, Yanks, A's, Angels. Without extra players - Braves, Pirates, Royals, Reds, Orioles, Yankees; 1973 with extra players, Dodgers, Reds, Red Sox, White Sox, Brewers, Royals, Pirates, Tigers, Orioles, Twins, Padres, Mets, Expos, Giants, Braves, Astros, Angels, Phillies, Cubs, Rangers, Indians, A's, Yanks, Cardinals; 1974 Red Sox, Phillies, Tigers; 1975 with extra players, Angels, Reds, Padres, Mets, Brewers, Tigers, Orioles, Royals, Yankees, White Sox, Indians, Phils, Pirates, Giants, Twins, A's, Red Sox, Rangers. And extra players only for the Cubs, Astros, Braves, Cardinals, Dodgers; 1976 all teams with extra

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players. And an extra set of Cubs, Cardinals, Dodgers, Braves, Astros, without extra players; 1977 all teams with extra players. Football - 1970 49ers. Basketball - 1972-73 Celtics, Bucks, Kings, Bullets, 76ers, Warriors, Hawks, Bulls; 1973-74 all teams plus extras (please inquire). Strat-O-Matic Reviews - 1971, Oct., Nov., Dec.; 1972, Jan.-Aug., Oct.-Dec.; 1973, Feb.-April, July, Sept.-Dec.; 1974, Jan., April, May-Dec.; 1975, Jan.-May, Oct.-Dec.; 1976, May, July; 1977, Jan., Sept.-Dec.; 1978, Feb.-Aug. Also, 1971 Sept. Review. I will sell a group of old-timer teams (25) for a moderate price. Please send bids to: Chris Jones, 40 Sheafe St., Boston, MA 02113

**FOR SALE:** To highest bidder. Most teams in excellent condition, many mint, a few only good. Baseball - with extra players except as noted. 1971 all teams, Tigers no extra players, Dodgers 20 players, Orioles 16 players, 5 other teams missing one player. 1972 all teams. 1973 N.L. only. 1974, '75, '77, '79 all teams and roster sheet. 1976 S.F. Giants. 1978 White Sox, Mariners, Rangers, Twins, A's, Jays, Cardinals, Mets, Astros, Indians, all other teams are missing 2-7 players. Football - 1967 Lions; 1970 Colts, Jets, Patriots, Bills, Oilers, Dolphins, Saints, Bears, 49ers, Cowboys, Lions, Vikings, Chiefs, Raiders, Cardinals, Redskins. 1971-76, all teams. 1977 no Broncos. Bids will be accepted until Nov. 30. I will respond to all bids and pay postage. Tim Wilson, 6726 N. Gove Ct., Tecumseh, MI 49286 (517-423-2940). Free analysis of 1983 NFL season to all bidders; past issue of Review free with each purchase.

**FOR SALE:** Football - All teams complete and most teams in brand new condition; 1970 teams available are Oilers, Patriots, Steelers, Browns, Bears, Falcons, Packers, Bills, Cardinals; 1971 teams: Cardinals, Oilers, Bengals, Saints, Falcons, Eagles, Giants, Broncos, Vikings, Bears, Cowboys; 1972 teams: Colts, Jets,

Chargers, Broncos, Bears, Bengals, Cardinals, Bills, Cowboys, Rams, Vikings, Falcons, Lions, Oilers, Patriots, Eagles, Giants, Saints; 1973 teams: Colts, Cowboys, Lions, Giants, Raiders, Redskins, Broncos, Eagles, Packers; 1974 Oilers, Chargers, Colts, Broncos, Packers, Cardinals, Browns, Falcons, Rams, Steelers, Bills, Dolphins; 1976 and 1977 complete sets of teams available and teams are complete and in excellent condition (teams may be purchased individually). Baseball - 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 and 1979 complete sets of teams available; teams are complete and in good condition (teams may be purchased individually). Send bids for football teams, baseball, basketball teams or game, and hockey teams, to: David Allen, 8 Chadwick Ave., Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5P 1Z8

## For Trade

**FOR TRADE:** I have the following complete 100% baseball sets: 1974, 1980, 1981, 1982 and assorted teams (no extras) from 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1975. I am willing to trade for pre 1972 and or 1975, 1976 football sets. My collection of cards is 90% absolute mint condition. The total number of teams is 152. Contact me at 716-668-2053 or write: Paul Unger, 76 W. Chertbourg Dr., Cheektowaga, NY 14227

## League Forming

**LEAGUE FORMING:** Wanted - new members. A truly unique and automated PBM league is looking to expand its membership from current 18 members. If you are looking to join an honestly run, well organized league with frequent communication and no silly penalties, here is your opportunity. This league is not for the casual gamer, and current membership averages over 30 years of age; so adults only, (continued on next page)

please. For more information, send SASE to: S-O-M Fanticco, PO Box #23, Yonkers, NY 10704

LEAGUE FORMING: If you're in the south or west suburbs of Chicago and are an experienced gamer looking to join a face-to-face baseball league, let me know. If you've got some original ideas, let's hear them, too. Using advanced rules, A.L. and N.L. draft. If you've been disappointed with past league failures, now's your chance to do it right. Write: Robert Rife, 12345 Benck, #208, Alsip, IL 60658

LEAGUE FORMING: Cheyenne, WY, area - I am being relocated to the Cheyenne area in March of '84. I am interested in joining a S-O-M Baseball league or forming my own. Please contact me at: 7980 Audubon Ave., #102, Alexandria, VA 22306 [Editor's note: this ad did not have name of gamer]

LEAGUE FORMING: The International Correspondence Basketball League needs managers for our third season. This will be an expansion year, from eight to 10 teams. Lots of quality talent available in draft. All teams very competitive and franchises top notch. Please send replies to: Jerry Dattillo, 12551 Deer-run Pl., Philadelphia, PA 19154

LEAGUE FORMING: The CBL (Capital Baseball League) has one general manager position available. This 16-team association nearing the conclusion of its 9th season plays a 160-game schedule with draft teams. Average member age in this adult league is 33. While play-by-mail is the format, concentrations of members in the Chicago and Washington, D.C. areas permit extensive face-to-face opportunities for those members. For more information, write or call: John Shirey, 10 Golf View, Lake Zurich, IL 60047 (312-540-0533)

LEAGUE FORMING: Federal Hockey League is in need of backup managers for its second season. The FHL is a straight team league with trading and newsletters delivered monthly. Super-advanced rules apply. Kurt Smeby called

the FHL, "The best first year operation I have ever seen [including the Federal League itself]." Yes, the FHL is run by the same people who operate the well-known Federal Baseball League [see Aug. Review]. The backup list is small, so accepted backups have a good chance of getting a franchise soon. Send resume to: Bill Modelski, 15178 Hanfor, Allen Park, MI 48101 or phone 313-383-3101.

LEAGUE FORMING: Wanted baseball fanatics to start a play-by-mail winter baseball league. Super-advanced rules will be used along with a strong constitution. Write to: Darren Becker, 10 Jonlyn Lane, Collegeville, PA 19426 [phone: 215-489-7897]

LEAGUE FORMING: New advanced PBM baseball league. Yearly National League replay beginning April, 1984. No trades. No draft. Reasonable player limits. Contact: Bill Richardson, 40 Balfour Lane, Willingboro, NJ 08046

LEAGUE FORMING: The Tradewater II Baseball PBM Draft League is about to begin next spring. Positions are available in the A.L. and/or N.L., so come join. If you like reliability and baseball, write: Dean Monson, 3540 W. 4700 So., Salt Lake City, UT 84118

LEAGUE FORMING: We need one or two good managers to take over existing teams in our basketball association (advanced, draft league). Newsletters, yearbook are provided. For more information, write to: Gary Graber, 5422 Clinton Blvd., Jackson, MS 39209, or Don Cornelison, 5207 W. Calevar Rd., Glendale, AZ 85306

LEAGUE FORMING: Join the North American Hockey League, a S-O-M Hockey play-by-mail league. All new 16-team draft league. To join, write: Craig Williams, 305 Ave. Y N. Saskatoon, Sask., Canada S7L-3K8, or phone 306-382-6458.

LEAGUE FORMING: The ESML advanced baseball PBM league is looking for managers and backups for the upcoming season. We need at least five new managers. This is our third season. We have 12 teams but we are expanding to 16 to even out

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the balance in the league. Our special rules are free agents, contracts and a day-to-day schedule. Please respond quickly because free agent draft is scheduled for Dec. 15. All I ask is for a manager to be honest and reliable. If interested, please write to: Cliff Delgins, 67 Old Country Road, New Rochelle, NY 10804. All letters answered.

**LEAGUE FORMING:** PNBL Baseball is now forming in Portland, OR area. All inquiries will be answered. The PNBL is an advanced game, face-to-face league; using selected teams (1974-1982, 1956, 1961). Length of schedule/number of managers negotiable. Please contact: Dave Black, 1969 SW Park Ave. #103, Portland, OR 97201 or call 503-241-5612.

## Contests

**CONTESTS:** The first Joe Delaney Memorial Tournament will be held in Kansas City, MO, on Nov. 12-13. There will be advanced football as well as advanced and elementary baseball. Trophies will be awarded to the winners and runnersup in each event. James Sanders (organizer of the Lyman Bostock Memorial Tournament) and Gary "Ming the Merciless" Peck are just two of the many great coaches and managers signed up. This is the last call, so act now. Contact: Ron Brammer, 2504 NE 52nd Ter., Kansas City, MO 64118 or call 816-455-2366.

### FOR FREE!

Bob Lopeck, creator and commissioner of the Florida Gold Coast Hockey Association, would like to offer, at no charge, the FGCHA Penalty Chart System for your consideration. After analyzing the 1680 box-scores of the past two NHL seasons, I have been able to derive the most factual penalty combinations and tendencies (including misconducts, bench minors, goalie and multiple-player penalties), and set them down on three easy-to-read charts. The FGCHA Penalty Chart

System uses the five S-O-M penalty ratings and is as easy to use as S-O-M's penalty chart (in most cases, only one split card to draw). Over 110 requests for the system last winter, with the FGCHA Penalty Chart System rating an 8.81 (on a scale of 1 to 10 from the questionnaires returned). For those interested, please write to: Bob Lopeck, P.O. Box 380824, Miami, FL 33238-0824.

**Editor's note:** At least seven face-to-face or play-by-mail leagues are using Lopeck's Penalty Chart System. Most were in their first season, so any reaction by those leagues, via the Review, would be interesting.

"With the additions to this year's system," writes Lopeck, "I am setting my sights on such powerful PBM hockey leagues as GAHA and NAHA (run by Larry King and Harold Coleman, respectively). Harold sent me a long and interesting letter in regards to the FGCHA Penalty Chart System, and more than a few of his suggestions will be added to this year's edition of the system."

Also, the Review hopes to be able to reprint Lopeck/FGCHA's Penalty Chart System (new version) in its entirety in the December issue.

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## Fictional account of draft makes headlines

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season.

For most of the wives (girl-friends, etc.) draft night was the one time they put in an appearance. "Girls don't do anything like this," said one, mocking the devotion.

And that's the way it was on draft night in the Valley League - a league scene created by the pen of Steve Glazier.

Call it "Strato Mania."

**Editor's note:** Thanks and a tip of the topper to Christian Super, among others, for sending the Review a copy of Glazier's article.

# GKSML winds up 25th 'season'

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## So-so record doesn't deter Jeff Green in N.L. replay

So much for power and a glittering won-and-lost record in the Greater Kalamazoo Strat-O-Matic's 25th full-season replay. The 10-member league, based in Kalamazoo, MI, finished up a National League replay earlier this summer and the results have finally trickled into league headquarters and been compiled.

The winner of the 25th full-season replay - the GKSML's longevity, more than anything else, sets it apart from most leagues, whether face-to-face or play-by-mail - turned out to be Jeff Green, who made an impressive debut three years ago by winning both the American League and World Series.

This time around, however, Jeff didn't even have the best record overall in the N.L. He did win his division, though, and that qualified him for the playoffs, where he swept the other division champ, Jim Bannon, in three games.

Bannon was the only newcomer to the GKSML this year, taking over a solid team left by longtime league member Dale Holland. Bannon manages a racquet club in the Grand Rapids, that's when he's not rolling S-O-M dice. He's also a fan of the football and basketball games.

Back to baseball.

Bannon compiled a 94-60 record, thanks to a getaway that saw him win his first 11 games. He had to hold off Pat Stemas down the stretch, however, as the schoolteacher from Dowagiac, MI, closed fast and finished 93-64. Green, conversely, was building an 82-72 record, good enough to win the East Division by seven games but a mark that would have put him fourth in the West.

"On August 10 [on the schedule] we stood at 54-59," recalls Green. "But after that we proceeded to go 34-13 to easily outdistance fellow divisioners and then go into the league championship series against the supposed powerhouse [Jim Bannon] and swept him in three straight games."

### RELIEF REPLACES POWER

Although Jeff Green had five players with 10 or more home runs, tops was Terry Kennedy's 15. And the team, as a whole, hit only 107 round-trippers, tying it for eighth on the team home run charts.

And the pitching was not dominating, either, with the team earned run average of 3.73 ranking seventh.

But steady performances by the likes of Lonnie Smith (.289, 79 RBI, 93 runs, 58 steals), Ryne Sandberg (.281, 178 hits, 37 doubles, 85 runs, 32 steals), Kennedy (40 doubles, 94 RBI, .271) and Steve Garvey (.277, 37 doubles) made up for individual superstar statistics.

The pitching was hit hard at times, but as Green pointed out, "It was there when it was needed - with a respectable 'Big Three' of Don Robinson (14 wins), Bob Forsch (13) and Charlie Lea (12). The key to the mound staff was the relief corps, however, as Ron Reed (17 saves), Mike Proly (1.12 ERA, tops for relievers), Dick Tidrow (2.83), Dave Dravecky (No. 1 draft choice by Green, with Sandberg No. 1 or third overall) and Pascual Perez saved many a game.

### PLAYOFFS NO CONTEST

Jeff Green turned to relief pitching for two of the three wins in the playoffs against a heavily favored Jim Bannon team. Charlie Lea won the opener, shutting down the likes of Mike Schmidt, Keith Hernandez, Reggie Smith and Cesar Cedeno on only three hits, 5-0.

The next two games went extra innings, with Dravecky and Tidrow getting credit for the wins in relief roles. Green won game two in 12 innings, 8-5, as pinch-hitters Ron Roenicke and Bob Watson drove in three runs in top of 12th to break deadlock. Tidrow, who entered game in seventh

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Bannon's fate may have been cast in the first inning, when after the first three batters reached base and one run had scored, Schmidt lined into a triple play.

For those unfamiliar with the GKSMML, it's a 10-manager, face-to-face draft league that has been in existence since the late 1960s. Review co-editors Warren and Del Newell, as well as Del's 20-year-old son Todd, are all members of the GKSMML.

The draft is always in reverse order of finish from the year before and each manager is allowed to protect 15 players from the previous season's roster. All other players (dropped, etc.) plus rookies with cards for the first time are in the draft.

Age of the managers ranges from 42 [Del] to 20 [Todd], with most in their late 20s or early 30s. Occupations vary widely, too, from store manager [Jeff Kik], to paint salesman [Jeff Green], band director [Warren Newell] to student [Todd Newell].

Warren struck many sour notes in his dice-rollin' endeavors as, after always finishing in the upper echelons of the league standings for years, he sank to the bottom with a 66-88 record.

Fellow managers chided Warren that his luck had run out - finally. Whereas before a split number chance of 1-4 was routinely picked by Warren, this time the 'numbers' were not in his favor. Some managers felt that he had exhausted a lifetime supply of luck years ago.

Other members of the league included Gary Tien, Bruce Mulder and John Gordon, with Tien the "senior citizen" of the trio at 35.

Surprise team was not Green's, however, as that honor should more appropriately go to Stemas, who took a team that finished a distant seventh the year before and had the second best record this time around. Over the last 64 games, his team won 42 in a valiant bid to overhaul Bannon in the so-called strong division, falling one game short.

GREATER KALAMAZOO STRAT-O-MATIC LEAGUE

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East	W	L	GB	Avg.	ERA	West	W	L	GB	Avg.	ERA
1. Jeff Green	82	72	-	.266	3.73	1. Jim Bannon	94	60	-	.257	3.29
2. John Gordon	75	79	7	.257	3.78	2. Pat Stemas	93	61	1	.272	3.15
3. Del Newell	71	83	11	.263	3.63	3. Gary Tien	83	71	11	.273	3.25
4. Todd Newell	68	86	14	.247	3.57	4. Jeff Kik	71	83	23	.260	3.6
5. Bruce Mulder	67	87	15	.244	3.82	5. Warren Newell	66	88	28	.254	3.94
<u>Average</u>						<u>H:</u> Dawson DN 192					
Buckner GT	.321	Murphy TN		41	Schmidt JB	121	<u>2B:</u> Oliver TN		53		
Schmidt JB	.3205	Schmidt JB		39	Murphy TN	110	<u>3B:</u> Raines TN		16		
J.Cruz PS	.320	Hornet WN		32	Dawson DN	105	<u>B:</u> Schmidt JB		119		
Dawson DN	.315	Carter PS		31	Carter PS	103	<u>SB:</u> Moreno GT				
Hernandez JB	.308	Clark BM		30	Guerrero BM	98			89/115		
						<u>E:</u> Lemaster JEG 32					
						<u>CG:</u> Rogers JB 17					
<u>ERA</u>						<u>IP:</u> Valenzuela PS					
Montefusco DN	2.20	Rogers JB		22-9					294		
J.Niekro PS	2.25	Andujar PS		21-11							
Welch JB	2.67	Minton JB		20-6							
Rogers JB	2.71	J.Niekro PS		20-8			<u>SH:</u> Zechry JK		4		
Sutton TN	2.93	Ryan JG		16-10			<u>SA:</u> Reardon PS		31		
Soto TN	2.94	Valenzuela		PS16-15			<u>HRA:</u> Carlton JG		33		
<u>Strikeouts</u>											
Ryan JG	3.05	Carlton JG			274	Soto TN		248			
Lee JEG	3.14	Ryan JG			255	Valenzuela PS		212			
Swan JB	3.16										

## Basketball league completes season

Golden State may be tarnished when it comes to winning real-life championships in the National Basketball Association, but Copper State was the big winner in the latest Phoenix S-O-M Basketball Association (SBA).

The longest-running S-O-M Basketball, SBA is a face-to-face league that currently includes eight members and has started its 11th season (the 10th season was duly reported in the Dec., 1982 Review). The SBA's schedule was expanded, however, with the number of games being increased from 42 to 60 for the 1982-83 season.

The league is a draft type, with three players protected from the previous year's roster. Not all the teams are used, either, so as to prevent an all-star look to the team rosters.

The new game is used, with the basic rules combined with advanced fastbreak and passing to fit the requirements of playability desired by the SBA.

As far as the league season, Dave Cornelison's Copper State squad won the title, compiling a 42-18 record and holding off brother Don Cornelison's Knots, who finished runnerup at 40-20.

Moses Malone was Copper State's main man again, leading the SBA in rebounding (13.8) and coming in runnerup to Adrian Dantley in scoring (31.0). Malone was chosen MVP for the second year in a row.

Copper State's claim to fame, and also the title, rested with its defense, however. The Copper Crew allowed only 109.4 points per game, while at the same time leading the league in points scored (115.6).

### TEAM-BY-TEAM SUMMARIES

Here's a look at the teams in the SBA for the 1982-83 season (based on '81-82 real-life):

**COPPER STATE** (Dave Cornelison) - Malone was most of story, with help from Jeff Ruland (10.1 rebounds), Jamael Wilkes (17.6 points) and Marques Johnson (16.0 points)...stingiest defense, yielding only 109.4 points per game.

**KNOTS** (Don Cornelison) - Best fastbreak in SBA...good balance in Robert Parish (12.2 rebounds), Dan Roundfield (17 points, 11.1 rebounds) and Larry Bird (27.5 points, 11.8 rebounds)...led league in field goal percentage (.517) and assists (28.4 per game).

**86ERS** (Gary Graber) - Frequently used three-guard offense, with Magic Johnson (10.3 rebounds, 8.9 assists), Don Collins and Michael Ray Richardson (20 points) in backcourt...Buck Williams was man in the middle, grabbing 12.4 rebounds per game...league leader in steals with 11.5 each game...lack of firepower was this club's shortcoming.

**NEW ENGLAND MUSKETEERS** (Mike Goldstein) - Adrian Dantley and Alex English combined for over 60 points a game, with Dantley league-leader with 35.1 average...English averaged 25.3 points and center Jack Sikma was second to Malone in rebounding with 13.6 per outing...right guard was weak spot...overall good year for Goldstein, who was voted Coach of the Year by his peers.

**SHAMROCKS** (Stuart Goodman) - Last year's champs dropped back to fifth this season...again had big three of Artis Gilmore (22.4 ppg, 10.9 rebounds), Julius (The Dr.) Erving (26.6) and Sidney Moncrief (22.5)...Larry Smith was adequate at the other forward but a second guard to team with Moncrief was lacking, as was bench strength.

**HUSSARS** (Neil Graber) - Mo Cheeks (9.5 assists) ran fastbreak, Bernard King handled bulk of scoring (26.9) and Maurice Lucas was the muscle on the boards (11.8)...late season collapse, in which team lost 15 of last 20 games, dropped Hussars into sixth place...Rick Mahorn and Quinn Buckner were other starters.

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**PELLETS** (Ken Livingston) - Even presence of Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, acquired in one-for-one trade for Buck Williams, was enough to turn Pellets into contender...Jabbar averaged 24.6 points and nine rebounds, plus shot .558 from the floor...Dennis Johnston was defensive sparkler and Truck Robinson helped Jabbar on boards, but Walter Davis and Caldwell Jones had sub-par seasons.

**RANGERS** (Shaun Adams/Gary Butler) - Expansion team with co-coaches that experienced usual expansion blues...World B. Free (22.5 points) and Anthony Toney were solid performers, but Greg Ballard and Alvan Adams were disappointments.

Standings and leaders:

	W	L	GB	Pts.0	Pts.0	Scoring	
Copper State	42	18	-	115.6	109.4	Dantley NE	35.1
Knots	40	20	2	118.8	110.7	Malone CS	31.0
86ers	37	23	5	115.5	109.8	Bird KNOT	27.5
New England	35	25	7	116.8	112.9	B.King HUSS	26.9
Shamrocks	33	27	9	119.4	114.5	Erving SHAM	26.6
Hussars	23	37	19	108.4	113.7	English NE	25.3
Pellets	15	45	27	105.5	115.8	Jabbar PELL	24.6
Rangers	15	45	27	104.9	115.7	Moncrief SHAM	22.5
						Free RANG	22.5
<b>Rebounding</b>				<b>Assists</b>		<b>Steals</b>	
Malone CS	13.8			Cheeks HUSS	9.5	MG.Johnson 86	3.17
Sikma NE	13.6			Archibald KNOT	9.4	Cheeks HUSS	2.77
B.Williams 86	12.4			MG.Johnson 86	8.9	G.Williams	2.70
L.Smith SHAM	12.2			J.Lucas PELL	7.0	[RANG/NE/86]	
Parish KNOT	12.2			Bird KNOT	5.9	Buckner HUSS	2.60
Bird KNOT	11.8			Nixon PELL/CS	5.7	Richardson 86	2.53
M.Lucas HUSS	11.8			Richardson 86	5.2		
Roundfield KNOT	11.1						
<b>Field Goal %</b>				<b>Free Throw %</b>		<b>3-PT FG</b>	
Macy KNOT	.580			Bird KNOT	.909	Winters SHAM	50/114
Dantley NE	.576			Sikma NE	.843	Toney RANG	48/92
B.King HUSS	.563			English NE	.839	Macy KNOT	16/32
Jabbar PELL	.558			R.Williams NEW/SHAM	.827	Buse KNOT	15/47
B.Williams 86	.552			Knight SHAM	.826	O'Koren PELL	13/32
Gilmore SHAM	.550			B.Jones 86	.826		
Erving SHAM	.549						

**All-Time Top Scorers (Points/Average)**

1. Jabbar	12,151	28.7	6. Malone	5,878	25.8
2. McAdoo	9,205	33.2	7. Hayes	5,729	15.7
3. R.Barry	8,762	27.9	8. Monroe	5,519	21.7
4. Lanier	6,433	22.8	9. Erving	5,403	23.7
5. Dantley	6,011	26.2	10. Gilmore	5,249	23.5

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## S-O-M league, replay scene

**FAVORITE TEAMS REPLAY** - This is the latest four-team replay from Jay Molnarik, Culver City, CA, who makes an annual ritual out of taking the White Sox, Pirates, Orioles and Astros and playing a 162-game season. ...The White Sox won by a four-game margin, with Houston the cannon fodder team, losing 103 games and winding up 32 behind the Chisox...LaMarr Hoyt of the White Sox, with 19 wins and a 3.18 ERA, was the Cy Young winner, while Jason Thompson of Pittsburgh, with a .314 average, 118 RBI, 117 runs and 100 walks, was the MVP...In the playoffs, which the White Sox won in four games (best three-of-five), Pittsburgh was the opponent, even though it tied with Baltimore with an 87-75 record. Pittsburgh had a 28-26 record against the Birds...Hoyt was MVP of the playoffs after winning two games and not giving up an earned run in 18 innings...Three league records were set: Rudy Law, Chicago (hits - 222); Cal Ripken, Balti-

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more (home runs - 37) and Thompson (runs - 117)...Highlights included: Chicago hitting six home runs in one game; the Chisox pounding out 21 hits, including one by every player in the lineup, in a 15-4 romp past Baltimore; again the Sox, who got 10 runs off 10 hits in the ninth inning in a comeback 12-8 win over Houston; Nolan Ryan striking out 18 in one game, 15 in another and 12 times recording 10 or more K's; Rudy Law had 67 multi-hit games, including two 5-hit and six 4-hit games; Tom Paciorek going 5-for-5 with three homers in a game; Rick Dempsey of Baltimore getting hurt seven times and missing a total of 29 games; and Vern Rühle going the 14-inning distance, giving up 16 hits, but not yielding an earned run.

#### Standings and leaders:

	W	L	GB	Batting	Home Runs
White Sox	91	71	-	Luzinski CHI .343	Ripken BAL 37
Pirates	87	75	4	Murray BAL .327	Easler PIT 34
Orioles	87	75	4	R.Law CHI .326	Murray BAL 31
Astros	59	103	32		

RBI	Wins	ERA	H:
Thompson PIT 118	Hoyt CHI 19	J.Niekro HOU 3.11	R.Law CHI 222
Easler PIT 113	Palmer BAL 19	Hoyt CHI 3.18	Paciorek CHI 28
Murray BAL 108	Dotson CHI 18	McWilliams PIT 3.29	R.Law CHI 17

Strikeouts	Game Win.	Hits	R:
Ryan HOU 302	Thompson PIT 13		Thompson PIT 1117
Candelaria PIT 199	Paciorek CHI 13		SB: Thon HOU 71; R.Law CHI 67
J.Niekro HOU 196			CG: J.Niekro HOU 25; Hoyt CHI 25
			SH: Hoyt CHI 5

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PIONEER HOT STOVE LEAGUE - Seventh season of this PBM baseball league was a family affair as Terry Ringen's Royals defeated brother Deron Ringen's Giants in World Series after both won division titles... Willis Ringen, father of Terry and Deron, is commissioner of PHSL, but does operate a franchise...Two of the managers - Terry Ringen and Gary Wnek - have been in league since its inception...Another manager, Adrian Schwan, has been in the league for six years...The PHSL lineup looks like this: Terry Ringen, Byron, NB (Royals); Doug Crandall, Salina, KS (Red Sox); Gary Wnek, Cromwell, CT (White Sox); Rookie Messick, Fort Campbell, KY (Blue Jays); Adrian Schwan, London, Ont. (Tigers); Tom Millard, Pleasant Hill, CA (Angels); Deron Ringen, Beattie, KS (Giants); Dave Sleeper, Thomasston, ME (Cubs); Jim Diamond, Pleasant Hill, CA (Phillies); Paul Wooden, Tulsa, OK (Astros); Will Jennings, Coppeos Cove, TX (Reds); and Harley Kernel, Denver, CO (Mets)...MVP was Mike Schmidt of the Giants (.329, 58 home runs and 171 RBI), while Cy Young winner was Britt Burns of the Royals (24-5, 3.08 ERA)...Rollie Fingers of the Red Sox was Fireman of Year (12-5, 18 saves, 1.20 ERA)...Schmidt's RBI and homer totals were HSL records, as were Tim Lincecum's (Giants) 189 stolen bases; Tony Armas' (Red Sox) 204 strikeouts; and Dan Quisenberry's (Royals) 35 saves.

#### Standings and leaders:

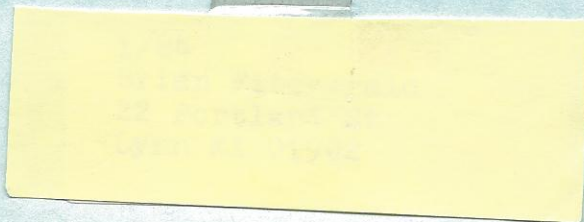
American	W	L	GB	National	W	L	GB	BA:
Royals	94	68	-	Giants	103	59	-	Lansford .337
Red Sox	89	73	5	Cubs	88	74	15	H: Lansford 220
White Sox	86	79	8	Phillies	81	81	22	SB: Cooper 52
Blue Jays	80	82	14	Astros	79	83	24	3B: Templeton 17
Tigers	74	88	20	Reds	78	84	25	HR: Schmidt 58
Angels	55	107	39	Mets	57	105	46	RBI: Schmidt 172

Note that statistical report submitted by the PHSL did not include names of teams for the individual leaders.

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R:	Schmidt 138
SB:	Reines 189
ERA:	Blyleven 2.76
W:	Reuss, Sutton,
	Burns, all 24
K:	Carlton 269
CG:	Carlton 22
HRA:	Carlton 42

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## S-O-M league, replay scene

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STRAT-O-MATIC M.I.T. (SOMit) BASEBALL LEAGUE - Face-to-face league comprised of schoolmates at M.I.T. (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)...Each manager selected two teams, provided the combined record of both was not over .500...Plays only a 21-game season, but has played a fall and spring season in first year...Managers included: Martin Anderson (Winsted, CT), Carl Bauer (Baltimore, MD), Carlton Chin (Brooklyn, NY), who sent along league report to Review; Dennis Dillon (Pittsburgh, PA), Randy Fieldhack (Menomonee Falls, WI), Jeff Gross (Morgantown, WV), Tom Hershey (Vero Beach, FL), Kef Ho (New York, NY), Paul Jaminet (Vernon, CT), Charley Marker III (Moundville, WV), John Washington (Willingboro, NJ) and Elizabeth Williamson (Waldoboro, ME)...Chin's 1976 Mets-'77 Twins won the Fall season and also the Spring, although Williamson and Bauer were tri-coaches in the Spring. The trio had the '82 Yankees and Tigers..."Although our season is just 21 games, the draft and three rounds of playoffs takes up most of the term," reports Chin. "The main purpose of S-O-M is to provide fun for all of us gamers and that's exactly what we get."