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THIRTY DAYS TO GO

With under 30 days to go to the start of the 1994 season, it is starting to get busy at BBF Head Office. Everything is nearly in place for what should be yet another exciting year ahead. For those of you still wanting to improve your team that little bit more then there are still some MLBI Envoys available if anyone is interested in hosting one during the summer. Contact Greg Welch on 0243 671562 if your team are interested.

In this month's issue Kev Macadam gives his predictions (more commonly known as the Kiss of Death) for the 1994 season. I'm sorry if I've upset anyone but it will teach you not to forget my Christmas'card next year! What are your predictions, do you agree with him?

BBF NATIONAL KNOCKOUT CUP DRAW

Inside this month's issue is the draw for the Extra-Preliminary and Preliminary Rounds of the 1994 BBF National Knockout Cup. Please note that if you are in

the Extra-Preliminary Round, the following week is the next round of the cup so make sure you plan your travel ahead should you get through. Good luck to all the competitors!

CALLING ALL UMPIRES

As promised a BBF Umpires Clinic is scheduled to take place on the weekend 18 March - 20 March. The clinic will be held at USIU-E, Bushey, Herts (so bring your winter woolies - Ed) and will cost £10 per person. If you are a BBF Registered Umpire, then the cost will be free of charge. Accommodation is also available at a cost of £10 for the Saturday night.

The clinic will be run by Andy Konyar, a former professional umpire, who travels the world holding umpires clinics, and Brian Pompili of Little League. There are also two other Major League Umpires that are due to come across who have umpired World Series games but as yet we do not have their names. If someone from your club is attending then make sure they know about the clinic and get them to book immediately. This is not to be missed. This will be an excellent opportunity for new and existing umpires to prepare themselves for the coming season ahead. For those of you that can't make it then do not despair. Remember that this year there will be a roving MLBI Umpire Envoy who will be coming to your neck of the woods sometime during the summer. If you are interested in registering as a BBF Umpire, then please contact either Dick Coombes on 0403 267609 or Kevin Macadam on 0482 643551, who can send you the relevant registration forms. Don't forget the registration fee for umpires for the 1994 season is also free of charge.

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GAZELLE BOOKS

We have recently been contacted by a company called Gazelle Books, who stock a wide selection of baseball books.

Over the coming months we will be reviewing their titles, letting you know what's worth buying and what isn't. This month we take a look at a couple of titles.

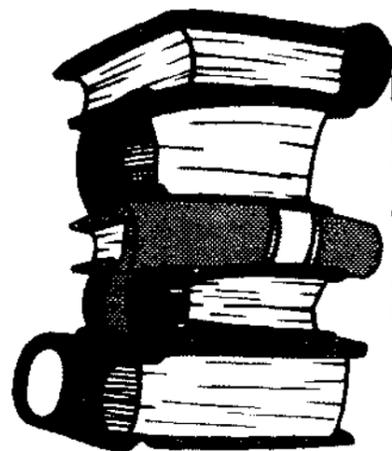
When I picked up "Teach your kiddoes Bean's about Baseball" by Kenneth Bean, my first thoughts were what a stupid name for a book!

However, as they say looks can be deceptive, and I was presently surprised by the books content. This book is an excellent reference tool, aimed at anyone who is considering starting a junior team or already has one. It is also suitable for any children over the age of 14 who would like some guidance towards the game.

The style of the book makes it an interesting read and also makes an easy reference point if you need to look something up quickly. It covers all aspects of the game from hitting to throwing to playing the infield and outfield, and also base running.

The book is in paperback form and is available from BBF Head Office at a price of £8.99. It is thoroughly recommended and a good addition to any baseball library. The author, Kenneth Bean, played baseball at collegiate level and attended Baylor University.

Another two books which are essential additions to the baseball stats fan are the



The Sporting News 'Official Baseball Register' and 'Baseball Guide'.

The Official Baseball Register covers all the players who appeared in at least one major league game during the 1992 season.

Each entry covers all the players personal

details, baseball playing history as well as statistics for each season they have played and also their post season record.

I found this book particularly useful when conducting interviews with Bert Blyleven and Buck Rodgers (name drop, name drop!!)

The Sporting News Baseball Guide is an almanac of the 1992 season. It gives details on all the major league clubs, and also a full review of the 1992 season from batting statistics to 15 strike-out games. It also has a comprehensive section on every minor league team, and again it was very interesting to look at some of the Mets and Red Sox's prospects who appeared at the Oval last October.

Armed with both these books, I should do well in the Baseball Briefing Rotisserie League, I hope!! These two books can again both be purchased from BBF Head Office at a cost of £11.50 each and are both available in paperback.

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Kev Macadam



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GB SQUAD OPEN DAY

The Great Britain Squad will be holding the next meeting of their winter training schedule on 26 March at the John Smeaton Sports Centre
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During this day they will be holding a coaching session. The GB Squad will be there to pass on their expertise to other baseball players and coaches, both at junior and senior level.

If you are interested in attending, or require any further information, please call Ian Smythe on 0532 601853.

THINGS TO DO THIS SEASON

Throughout the 1994 season, we will be aiming to bring you statistics from around the leagues, so you can keep track of the opposition.

If you play in the National Premier League or in the Southern Conference, then you will need to send your

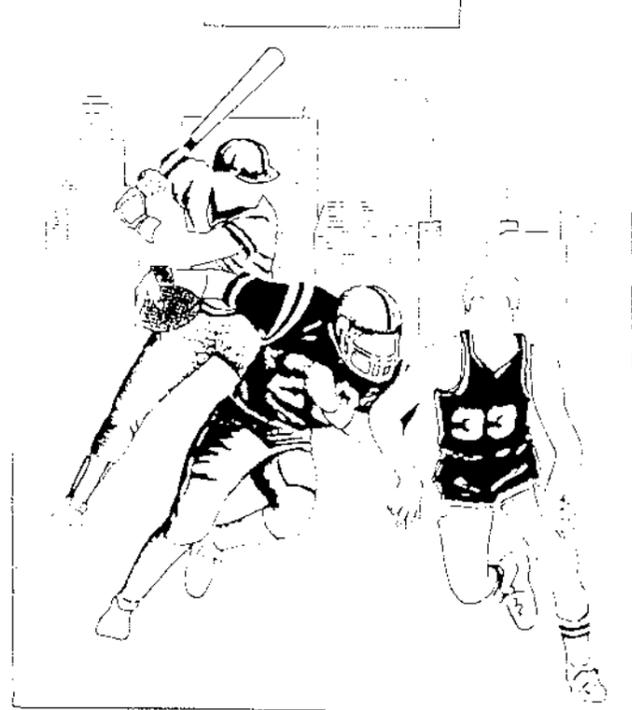


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completed scoresheets to Brian Holland and if you play in the Northern Conference, then Clive Maude is your man. Both their addresses appear on the enclosed documents from the BBF Scorers Association.

It is compulsory for all teams to send their scoresheets in and failure to do so will result in disciplinary action against the offending clubs.

This brings me onto the subject of disciplinary action. As you can see by the enclosed document from Bill Hamilton, the BBF will be taking to task those teams that spoil the game for the rest of us. So woe betide anyone who fails to fulfill fixtures or gets ejected constantly! From the feedback we've received from you, the clubs, we have decided that it is about time that those teams that are holding the rest of us back, should be dealt with strongly but fairly. Hopefully, Bill won't have anything to do.

DOUBLE-HEADERS

A number of you have double-headers scheduled this season, denoted by a DH on the fixture list, to make up the required amount of fixtures. Please take time to read the relevant section of the BBF Bye-Laws regarding double-headers and if you need any questions answered then please contact myself at Head Office. For those of you that are unaware, a double-header consists of two seven inning games on the same day.

MLB/BUSHEY T-SHIRTS

For those of you that couldn't make it to the MLB Coaching Clinic, there is still the chance for you to purchase a commemorative T-Shirt from the event at a price of £7.50. They really are the business and for those of you interested then send a cheque to Head Office made payable to the BBF.

SAN FRANCISCO EXERCISES

I have been sent a copy of the stretching exercises and warm-ups that the Giants Head Trainer, Mark Letendre uses with Barry Bonds and Co. If you would like a copy of these then please send a S.A.E to Head Office.

BBF SCRATCH CARDS GO DOWN A STORM

I have been overwhelmed by the response to the BBF Scratchcards and it is great to hear the stories that teams are telling me with regards to how much money they have raised. The more organised teams are pulling in £40 a week so if you have got any already then get some straight away.

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT - PART III

This month SPONSORSHIP is the topic, but we all know that the real problem is raising funds and this goes far beyond sponsorship. It is easy to get hooked onto the sponsorship trail without really looking at the options available.

Funds can be raised in the following ways:

- * Your own club members and supporters memberships fees
- * Your clubs special fund-raising efforts
- * Local Government grants
- * Charities and Foundations
- * Commercial Sponsorship

So you see sponsorship is only one of many options. The next step is to establish exactly what you want the money for? As a general rule, donors prefer to cover long-term capital spending rather than short-term revenue or running costs. They expect you to be able to run your club from your club fees and special fun-raising, and will only consider longer term projects such as uniforms, club kit, ground development etc. which are visible and promotable.

A sponsor likes to see commitment from your organisation. If you need 90% of your expenses from a sponsor then they want to know why you are not making a bigger contribution yourselves.

A donor will rarely hand out donations to 15 loosely connected young guys playing baseball, they will want to see some structure, some administrative ability. Set up an organised administrative structure, a proper club, a constitution, a committee (oh no! you say), forward plans and responsible people.

All sport is of benefit to the community, and baseball, especially junior baseball, is no exception. You are providing a service to the community, whilst of course enjoying participating in the game. Even in this tight economy, funds for this kind of project are available from





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local government and sporting foundations. Get down to your local council, or your County council and seek their advice. Some organisations prefer to sponsor elite individuals, others prefer projects assisting socially deprived areas, you will need to research your area. On the other hand, no matter how noble your motives, a commercial sponsor wants to see a commercial return. How will your sponsorship of your project help him! Most organisations prefer to support individual specific items, a league, a tournament, a single team, an overseas trip.

All companies want to be better known - can you give them publicity? Give them ideas on how sponsoring your club will increase public awareness of their products. Most companies have a policy on how they want people to perceive them, their Corporate Image. How can an arrangement with you do this? Are they a young dynamic company, a national conglomerate wanting to reach local people? Are they a multi-national with American roots and baseball will enhance their American connection? Community involvement has become high on the agenda of many companies, they like to be seen to be supporting the community, youngsters and underprivileged areas. Can your baseball team add to this involvement? These are some of the commercial pay-offs from sponsorship, you will need to tailor your application to the needs of the companies you approach.

When you send your application keep it simple. Send it

unlikely to get very far. Say who you are. Give details of what you do, the history of your club, your affiliation to the BBF and your link to Major League Baseball. Always use the biggest names available. If you know the Mayor, say so, as long as he supports you.

Give some good reasons why they should support you and how they or the community will benefit from supporting you. Include details of your clubs achievements, there is always something you can brag about. Include past promotional material, newspaper clippings, certificates, photographs etc. Apply for funds well in advance, most companies have their budgets tied up a year in advance. Detail how much you want, present your budget and show clearly what you will spend your money on. How much are you raising yourself from within the club through your own efforts. By now, as Mr Baseball in your area, you will have a reasonable plan and be on the recruiting trail. Wouldn't it be great to place a huge ad in the local paper and ask for players! Well you have established one reason for needing money, and this is a major step. You must establish what your objectives are and why you need money to reach them long before you apply for sponsorship.

My personal experience with Lashings Sluggers of Maidstone proved that besides club membership fees, we managed to get a grant from the local council to erect a back stop fence, a sponsorship from a local restaurant for our uniforms (which has been repeated this year to pay for ground improvements) and we raised some income through advertising in a local tournament programme. In return our sponsors name was in the local paper every week on local television and we also had interviews on

local radio. If you would like some help or encouragement in your quest for funding give me a call and I'll do my best to help you. I have a library of material I can send you and there are many good books in your local library to help you along the way.

By the way, by now you may have heard that the BBF/MLB Bushey Coaching Clinic was on BBC Breakfast TV, so I have my first HOME RUN (my wife thought I had gone mad as it came on the TV). My next goal is to get a BBF game on the box, but don't hold your breath!

Next month - HOW TO GET PUBLICITY THROUGH YOUR LOCAL MEDIA. Remember I don't have all the ideas, we can all help each other so let me know how you are getting on in your areas.

Best of luck
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BBF Public Relations

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THE KISS OF DEATH

May I apologise to all of the teams who I am about to tip. As Guildford Mavericks will tell you, I'm the proverbial albatross when it comes to crystal ball gazing. However, here goes.....

BBF National Premier League North

This will probably be one of the hardest fought divisions in the 1994 season, and with the redistribution of some quality acquisitions by both Leeds City Royals and Humberside Warriors, for once I think the Mets monopoly will be broken. My prediction to sweep the board with all three titles, the National Premier League North, the National Premier League Series and the Knockout Cup is Leeds City Royals.

BBF National Premier League South

Once again I think that Bedford Chicksands Indians and Brighton Buccaneers will dominate this league. However, the Indians change of personnel is something that Brighton might capitalise on. If they can repeat the good start they had last year and continue it through the season, then unfortunately Craig, Brighton are my prediction.

BBF North England Division One

This one's a toughie! With the inclusion of some unknown quantities, in Nottingham and Tamworth, it really is hard to pick a winner from this division. However at the end of the season I think the two sets of Pirates, Menwith Hill and Nottingham, will clash swords with Menwith Hill just coming out on top.

BBF North England Division Two

With this division now being split north and south, I can place the kiss of death on two teams! The northern winners, if last years form is anything to go by, will come from one of three teams; Leeds, Preston or Durham, and I think that Durham might just edge it this year. In

the south the battle will be between Newark Giants and Hessele Astros (what more can I say, I'm the coach!), so therefore Newark are my tip!

BBF North Scotland Division One

From the amount of notes that I saw David Hughes, of Glasgow Comets, taking at the Bushey Clinic, I predict that they will go one better this year and win the league. I'm sure there's no truth in the rumour that he was trying to sign Bert Blyleven!

BBF South Division One

Again I get to predict two teams. For the north, my choice is Cambridge Monarchs. If reputations are anything to go by, then these should be a good bet. In the south, once again I think Arun will take the honours.

BBF South Division Two

Again another tough division with a lot of teams facing new opposition. I'd really, really, love to give Caterham A's my vote, however any team that are as mad as they are surely can't win can they? Therefore Lashings Sluggers of Maidstone I think will do the business.

BBF South Division Three

Another north and south split. I think Waltham Abbey Cardinals will bounce straight back up to Division two from the northern section, after going to the wire with Norwich Wanderers. In the southern section, just to really annoy Craig, Brighton Buccaneers B team should also triumph.

So that's my predictions, what are yours?

Kev Macadam
Competitions Director



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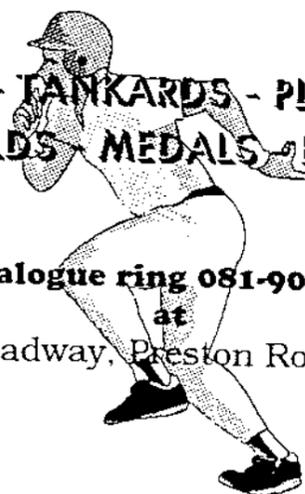
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THE HOT CORNER..... by Will Cosgrave

Here are a few more brain teasers to wile away the hours before your first game. Send your answers to both puzzles to The Hot Corner, 66 Belvedere Road, Hessle, North Humberside, HU13 9JJ and the winner will receive a years subscription to Britball.

Pitch Poser

Pick one letter in turn from each of the pitches below (in order 1,2,3,4 etc.) to spell the name of a tenth pitch:

1. Palm Ball
2. Slider
3. Knuckleball
4. Fastball
5. Change-Up
6. Forkball
7. Screwball
8. Curveball
9. Sinker
10. -----

BBF Code-Breaker Puzzle

The list below consists of eight BBF Team name suffixes written in a substitute letter code. The first answer is GTCNOGH = RANGERS. Now work out the rest if you can!

1. KDGCOIH
2. IGDATCH
3. EJGTIOH
4. SDSRTIH
5. PDPNOGH
6. BCJNKIH
7. JCPJTCH

Last month's Cryptic Quiz was won by John Jackson who got 18 right and wins a T-Shirt and were as follows:

1. Milton Keynes Truckers
2. Humberside Mets
3. Totteridge Trailblazers
4. Liverpool Tigers
5. Gillingham Dodgers
6. Cumbria Lakers
7. Guildford Mavericks
8. Dundee Dodgers
9. Bracknell Blazers
10. Nottingham Pirates
11. Crawley Comets
12. Bamsley Strikers
13. Bristol Black Sox
14. Stretford A's
15. Bournemouth B's
16. Hounslow Hawks
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It is with deep regret that we have to announce the death of

Roger C Panaye

Roger was the Founder and Secretary General-Treasurer of CEBFA for more than 40 years, and Administrator until the day he died.

I'm sure a great many BBF Members who have been involved in CEBFA competition as players, coaches, scorers and umpires will remember Roger. He will be sadly missed.

Dear Britball

Glasgow Little League has been running now for over a year and are now looking forward to the coming season.

We are the first Little League in Scotland and have about 27 players who make up two teams and play between themselves.

Also this year we are starting up a senior team from some of our old and new players so we are looking forward to that.

This season we would like to participate in games both home and away. If your Little League or Senior League teams would like to play us, please get in contact with myself.

Looking forward to playing you all in the future.

Craig Menzies, Glasgow Little League, 9
Melford Avenue, Giffnock, Glasgow, G46 6ND
Phone: 041 638 2465 or 0850 288095

Dear Kevin

Even with the best organised groups, things do occasionally go wrong so, I have decided to raise the points with someone who is able to rectify the matters, so here goes.

1. Immediately following an appointment of a person to an office, the BBF should have notified everyone quickly. Who has taken over from Lynne Marshall as Chief Scorer? And who has taken over from Lena Mortimer as Registrar? Whilst I know the answer to the second office, I still do not know the answer to the first office.

2. I recently spoke to yourself, Dennis Noades and Paul Raybould regarding the schedule for the first division and each time I did not receive a satisfactory answer as to why the Division One schedules had not been published. If the policy is to await teams paying before including them in the league structure, then the BBF must stick to this across the board (and I agree to this). However, Hounslow have not paid their fees as yet, but the NPL have had their schedule for some time now and have even had an amendment to it.

I thought the Clinic '94 was vast improvement on last year's, I certainly enjoyed it. I do however have some criticism and suggestions as follows:

3. I, and a few others were unhappy with the National Squad's 'hogging' of the hands on coaching on Day 2.

4. Those of us who arrived to carry out early tasks, received no assistance from either BBF Officials or from University staff. Could someone not be 'on site' next time, to tell everyone on 'early shift', where to go and be able to allocate accommodation?

5. I thought the BBF Banquet was appalling - the very name suggests collar and tie, toasts, table service etc. and it was none of those things. The principle guests were the last to eat and the food was grossly overpriced. I do not believe young players should have been allowed into the dinner as the jokes were not for ears of the young.

May I put forward now, some suggestions which I think may improve the 'hands on' aspect of the coaching and



other points, for 1995.

6. Increase the amount of time between sessions, to allow for chit-chat and also allow a 15 minute break in each hour of a session.

7. On the application forms for the clinic, each person should indicate which of four groups he wishes to be with for the duration, the groups being pitchers, catchers, infielders and outfielders. It would be obligatory for all groups to undertake batting, baserunning, conditioning and allied subjects. Finally Kevin, I would like to thank yourself and all the other members of the BBF Board, who have worked so hard over the last season for us, the members, it

hasn't, for my part, gone unnoticed and I think you have all contributed to British Baseball made 1993 a year to remember.

Best wishes

Barry Mayfield, Manager Hounslow Hawks

Editors Response

When I first started Brit-Ball, it was and always has been, my intention to use the fanzine as a forum for teams and individuals to pass comments on what they think we are doing right and also on what we are doing wrong. Without feedback from teams, we can't rectify any mistakes that may have occurred unless they have been brought to our attention.

In that respect I would like to thank Barry for raising some valid points and will now answer his points as best I can.

1. *The head of the Scoring Association is the same as last year with Brian Holland resuming his role. The new Scorers Registrar is Mr Peter Cooke and his address will appear in the BBF Handbook which is due out shortly.*
2. *The BBF Bye-Laws state under section 1.8 that the 'Subscription to the Federation shall be set at the Annual General Meeting of the Federation and paid by the first day of February'.*

If the BBF were to wait for every team to pay their affiliation fee before organising the league schedules then the fixtures would probably never appear.

At the end of a season there should be no reason why the fixtures for next season cannot be produced quickly as usually I am aware of which teams will be in what division. However, this season has seen the league format change slightly hence the delay. It must be pointed out though that teams are receiving fixtures sooner than ever before and if teams affiliated on time then the service could be improved further.

As of today's date 24-2-94, 36% of the BBF teams who are scheduled to play this year have failed to pay their affiliation fee (this includes the three teams that Hounslow have). Why is this? Every team in the country knows that every year, the BBF Affiliation fees have to be paid, yet every year before the end of the season, they run out of funds in their bank account. Why should the majority of teams pay their fees on time only to be held back by a minority. Maybe a penalty for late payment may rectify the situation? With a bit of forward thinking, the teams could hold back some cash so that they can pay their

fees on time, so why don't they?

I think I am right in saying that the quality of service the BBF provide, has improved 100% over the last year and we have finally got our act together. Maybe it is time for some of the teams to put their own house in order for the benefit of everyone.

The National Squad only received coaching on the Saturday morning of the clinic, however the remainder of the day was split between junior players and clinic participants following a revision of the schedule.

As you are well aware, the BBF Executive are all unpaid volunteers and I can assure you that those of the Executive who attended the Clinic arrived at the venue as soon as they could. Any delay arriving on site was because of other clinic tasks that needed to be done. Without the assistance of clubs like Hounslow, our job would be even more difficult and we appreciate the hard work you and your club has done to make life easier for us. I wholeheartedly agree with the lack of help we seem to receive from the USIU-E and I have already made enquiries as to a new venue for next year's clinic. I was also disappointed with the BBF Dinner however the clinicians late arrival was because of a delay at their hotel and we were urged by the University staff to start our meal rather than wait. Again this problem will be overcome next year with a move to a more professionally run venue.

Once again thanks to everyone who assisted at the clinic and as always any comments positive or negative will be taken on board.

Remember that we are here to serve you so please do not hesitate to tell us if we are doing things wrong and please let us know if we are doing things right.

Dear Brit-Ball

It is pleasing to note the number of new teams entering the BBF Leagues in 1994. Hopefully, they will all start the new season and see it through even if results go against them. It is good to see that last season's "winless" teams are lining up again. The only disappointment is the decline in Scottish clubs, numerically speaking. It seems to me that if the game is to grow in Scotland it needs some special drive by the BBF to achieve this aim (if there is not one already).

Yours faithfully, Will Cosgrave

Editor: Well Will, I can assure you that when it comes to initiative the Scots are one step ahead. Already they have plans to host a number of tournaments throughout the season to maximise publicity and they have arranged for the BBF Roadshow to be present to promote the sport. As demonstrated last year, the Scottish teams asked for coaching courses, scoring courses and MLB Envoys and received all of these thus ensuring they got value for money from the BBF and I am confident that because of their enthusiasm the number of teams will increase in the near future.

Dear Britball

Many people will have wondered why Derby County Football Club's ground came to be known as the Baseball Ground.

In the year 1889, Sir Francis Ley visited America on a business trip and became very interested in Baseball and decided to introduce the game into this country.

Players from Derby County and Nottingham Forest took part in the new game. The new venture was not a very great success, but lasted long enough for the ground to be named after it.

Does any reader have any photos or articles on early Baseball in Britain?

Yours

Barry Mayfield, Hounslow Baseball Club

Dear Messirs

Hearty congratulations for being part of a spectacular event of all time, the Barcelona 1992 Athletic Events. As a baseball sport admirer, I found it a pleasure quite readily to assist me in finding and purchasing a baseball event which featured in Barcelona 1992.

What I need is information that could help me in ordering a baseball video cassette from Sports Bodies like yours. If appropriate furnish me with a catalogue by mail which includes a price and cost of the baseball video cassette. Looking yearning to hear from you and looking forward to 1996 Los Angeles Olympics.

Here's to a happy new year

Ndebele Mthandeni

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Editor: I hope someone can help you Ndebele in your search for the video you require and I hope you enjoy this edition of Britball.

Dear Greg Welch

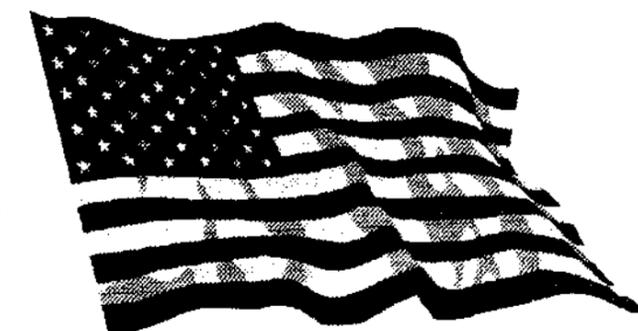
I personally want to take this opportunity to thank you and the members of the BBF for hosting the MLBI clinic team who participated in your portion of the 1994 European Coaches Tour.

We believe that these coaching clinics are and will continue to be an essential element in our joint quest to grow and develop the game of baseball. Towards these ends, we need your input on improving on an already solid program. Please provide us with a report on this year's program including feedback you received from attendees as well as personal insights which you find would be helpful to future success.

It is evident that the instructors and staff enjoyed their experience in the clinic tour overall and we appreciate your hospitality. Thank you again for hosting MLBI and allowing us to participate in your fine event. We wish you continued success in all your baseball endeavours in United Kingdom and throughout the European Community.

Best Regards

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HULL METS BASEBALL CLUB PRESENTATION NIGHT

The Hull Mets Baseball Club held their presentation night at the "Irish Centre" in Hull on Friday 25 February.

All the awards were presented by Wayne Parker, Hull Kingston Rovers Skipper and brother of Frank! Before I give you the awards and the recipients, may I say a big thank you from myself and every player and guest who attended on the night to Doreen Megson, Julie Parker, Kathy Asquith and Val Maltby who made it the night it was, and for their seemingly endless work in providing the backbone for the nights efforts.

Now for the awards:

Mike Parker as Chairman of the club opened the proceedings with a thank you to all those present, and with the able assistance of Frank Parker read out the names of the award winners.

Ian Maltby collected the BBF Knockout Cup on behalf of Humberside Mets team,

Frank Parker was presented with the National Premier

League Series Trophy, as Humberside Mets Manager, on the teams behalf,

Mike Thurston collected the Premier League Shield, again on behalf of the Humberside Mets team,

Mike Thurston was then presented with the coveted Most Valuable Player award,

Peter Cooke received the Club Man Of The Year award,

Andy Maltby was next up to be awarded as Top Batter for Humberside Mets followed by Andy Peacock as The

Players Player Of The Year in the Humberside Mets

All players of the Humberside Mets received a small trophy in recognition of their achievements in 1993.

Ian Asquith was called on to receive his well earned award as Hull Mets Player of the Year,

Rookie Of The Year was awarded to Lee Evans.

Top Batter for Hull Mets was awarded to Miles Anderson.

A presentation from the club of a small trophy to each of the Hull Mets players in recognition of their efforts during 1993 brought the awards ceremony to a close.

The Humberside Mets are again hard at training for the coming season and hope to extend their award winning ways into 1994, but hope that the opposition can accept the fact, without petty jealousies, that commitment,

fitness, continual training, and the knowledge and belief in their individual abilities and the organisation behind them are the keys to success.

The Hull Mets Baseball Club wish all baseball clubs success for the coming season and when we meet on the field we wish for fair weather and a fair umpire.

Peter Cooke
Treasurer, Hull Mets Baseball Club

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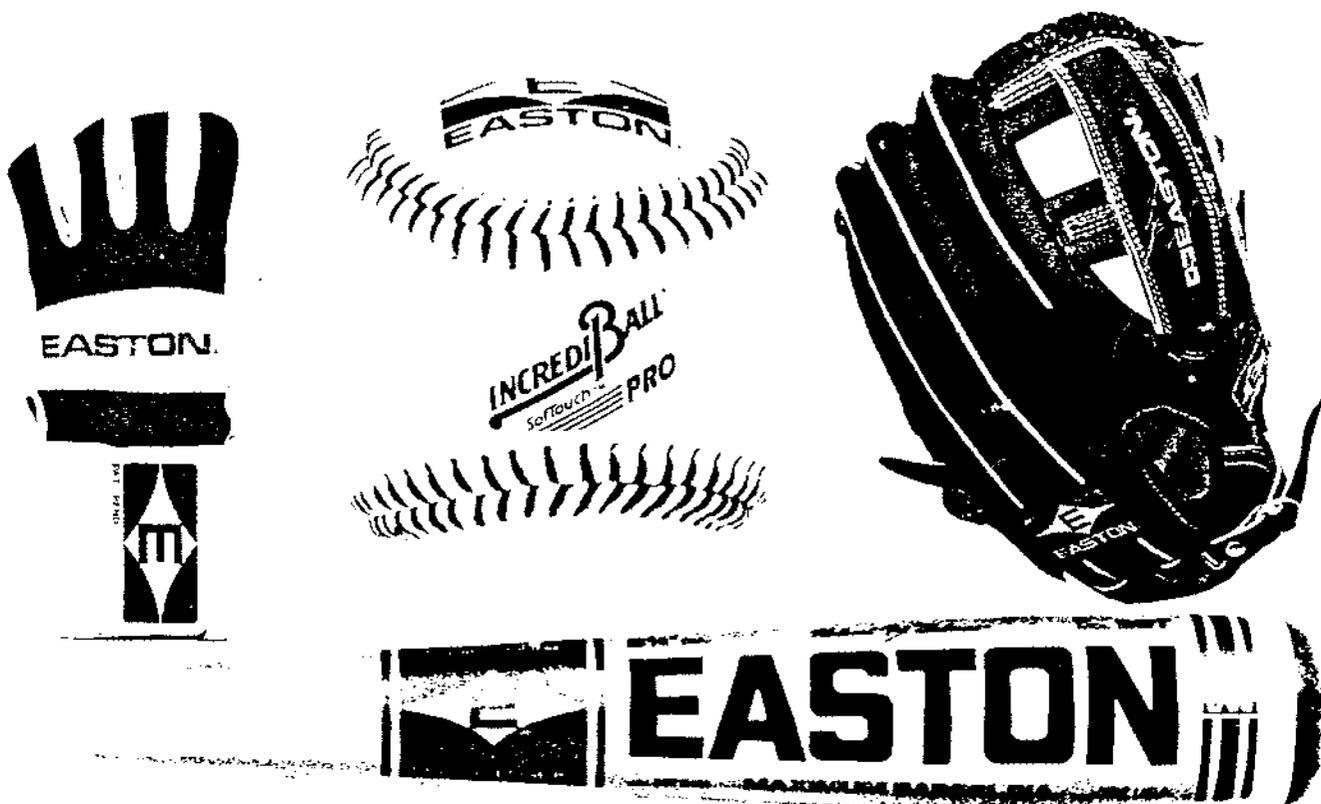
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