APBA Baseball Play by Play Update #2

1/21/2016

This is the second update for the Play-by-Play (PbP) result files for APBA's BBW version 5.75.

This update fixes play result errors and related problems reported by game players. The fixes listed here are the only changes that were made. No other changes to play outcomes were made.

A big thank you to those who reported these problems! We appreciate the time and effort it took you to notice, record, and report them. Special thanks to eagle eyed Dave C. who reported close to half of them!

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If this is the first time you've installed a PbP update, it will save a backup copy of the original files. To restore them, use the "Uninstall APBA Baseball Play By Play Update 1" menu item found on the Start Menu under the APBA Games submenu. You can also use the uninstall option in the "Programs and Features" app in Control Panel to uninstall the "APBA 5.75 Play By Play Update 1"

In the fixes listed below, "PRN" is the "Play Result Number" on the game boards.

Fix: 2-1

Game Board: Runners on 1st and 2nd, PRN 27, Fielding 1, Fielding 2, Fielding 3.

Fixed some results that left runners on 1st & 2nd instead of 1st & 3rd.

Fix: 2-2

Game Board: Runner on 3rd, PRN 35, Fielding 1 and Fielding 3.

Problem: Batter not credited with sac fly on foul outs handled by the outfielders.

Fix: 2-3

Game Board: Runners on 2nd and 3rd, PRN 31, Fielding 3.

Problem: Bug introduced back in BBW 5.0 (1998) when field effects were introduced. On this play, if field effects were not used, the hit value (runner advancement value) was not assigned resulting in a default value of 0. As a result, the runners were always thrown out when, in most cases, they would be safe.

Rusty Staub (OF-1) made a diving catch in centerfield, then threw Warren Cromartie (speed 11) out at the plate with his 23 arm.

* R. MILLER facing P. ZACHRY, B 2nd, No Outs, 2nd and 3rd, Ahead 1-0

Infield deep ... the runners take their lead ... he comes home

there's a looping drive to the gap in right center ... STAUB will have to hurry ... charging over he dives for it ... and makes the one-handed grab as he hits the ground ... both runners tag

TRY TO SCORE? (1-yes, 2-no*)

they're waving CROMARTIE in

TRY FOR THIRD ALSO? (1-yes, 2-no*) and TEMPLETON's headed for third

THROW HOME OR TO THIRD? (1-home*, 2-third)

here's the play at the plate \dots and he's \dots tagged out...not even close \dots double play!

CROMARTIE just doesn't have the wheels for that ... two away ... and TEMPLETON gets in to third

Thanks, Marty, for sending this one in!

Fix: 2-4

Game Board: Bases Full, PRN 31, Fielding 3.

Problem: Bug introduced back in BBW 5.0 (1998) when field effects were introduced. A set of baserunner advancement numbers were left at the end of the file that would override the values used if field effects were turned on.

Fix: 2-5

Game Board: Runners on 1st and 3rd, PRN 20 (swing away), Fielding 1 and Rare Play Board, Runners on 1st and 3rd, PRN 22, H&R, all Fielding.

Problem: With 2 outs, playing deep, winning run on 3rd, the play goes to the plate and the runner scores.

- 1. With ONE OUT (this is important) Aparicio walks
- 2. Aparicio steals second
- 3. Williams strikes out for the SECOND OUT
- 4. Clemente triples, scoring Aparicio and tying the game at five
- 5. Santo is walked intentionally by the MM, putting runners on 1st and 3rd with TWO OUTS

Now the odd play. Mincher grounds to second and Javier, rather than throwing him out at first for the (presumably) easy third out, tries to throw out Clemente at the plate, which fails, and the Yahgos win the game 6-5.

* D. MINCHER facing J. BREWER, B 9th, 2 Outs, 1st and 3rd, Tied 5-5

CLEMENTE with a good lead off third ... he cranks and fires ... grounded to the right side and JAVIER gloves it ... throws desparately to the plate ... it's all over ... the run scores Angels 5, Yahgos 6

The play should go to first, batter out, third out, runner on 3rd does not score.

Fix: 2-6

Game Board: Rare Play board, Runner on 2nd, PRN 23, Fielding 2.

Problem: Play involves a dropped 3rd strike in which the pitcher is charged with a WP even though the batter is out at 1st and the runner on 2nd holds.

* R. RIVERA facing J. CUETO, T 2nd, No Outs, Runner on 2nd, Tied 0-0 CUETO kicks and delivers ... strike three ... and it gets by IANNETTA!
RIVERA races down the line ... the throw ... out at first ... one away!

DONALDSON never took off ... he's still at second ... and they score that a wild pitch quite right

Fix: 2-7

Game Board: Runner on 3rd, PRN 21, fielding 2.

Problem: With less than 2 outs, if the runner on 3rd is the winning run then neither a hit nor an out is recorded as the winning run scores.

Fix: 2-8

Game Board: Rare Play, Runner on 1st, PRN 7, Fielding 3.

Problem: The play involves the rightfielder but at the end of the play the play description states that the centerfielder picks up an error. This is only a play description error - the error was properly charged to the rightfielder. The play description is now correct.

Fix: 2-9

GameBoard: Bases Full, PRN 28, Fielding 1

Problem: With less than 2 outs, play is a 6-4-3 double play. With no outs, the runner scores and the batter is given an undeserved RBI.

Fix: 2-10

GameBoard: Rare Play, runner on 2nd, PRN 6, Fielding 1, runner on 2nd is (F)ast. Fly ball to CF

Problem: With less than 2 outs, a fast runner on 2nd scores (no error on the play) but batter was not credited with a SF.

Fix: 2-11

GameBoard: Runner on 1st, PRN 20, Fielding 2, Sacrifice play.

Problem: Error in script, play description - when 2 or more errors have been committed by the team/player the wrong number of errors (1 less than actual) will display in the play description and script.

APBA Baseball Play by Play Update #1

9/3/2015

This is the first update for the Play-by-Play (PbP) result files for APBA's BBW version 5.75. As BBW 5.75 uses the same play result files as version 5.5, it's really the first update since version 5.5.

This update fixes play result errors and related problems reported by game players. Two fixes for typos in the play commentary are not listed here. The fixes listed here are the only changes that were made. No other changes to play outcomes were made.

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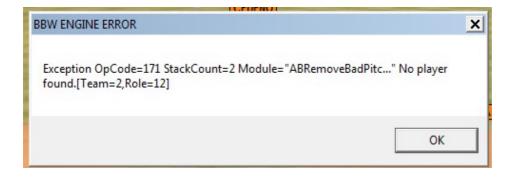
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On to the fixes ...

#1

Error: BBW Engine Error, OpCode 171.



This one could occur with a double-switch, home team, the pitcher relieved was not the starting pitcher, and the home team is not behind in the score.

It would trip on a function call to get stats for the replaced pitcher. The stats, if good, call a function to set the crowd background sound to clapping (even if you have sound turned off). The problem was in the function call to get those stats. It asked for the in-game stats of the incoming pitcher, who was not yet in the game, resulting in the "No player found" error. This error had no effect on stats or game play - a click on OK would resume the game.

#2

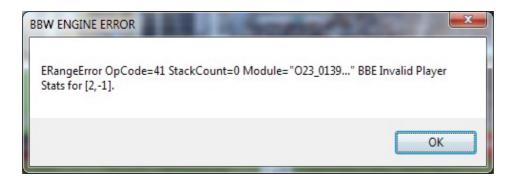
Game Board: Rare Play Board, Runners on 1st & 2nd, PRN 16, Fielding 3.

Play Call: SINGLE through 3rd, one runner scores, other stops at 2nd (S runner out at home). F on 1st goes to 3rd.

* C. McCULLOUGH facing E. BLACKWELL, T 2nd, 1 Out, 1st and 2nd, Behind 0-2 The runners take their lead ... here's the delivery ... hit down the line inside third goes by BROWN into left ... COLEMAN's after it ... ZERNIAL will try for home here's COLEMAN's throw ... PRAMESA blocks the plate ... and he's out by a mile! MAJESKI's well around second ... but puts on the brakes ... and holds up

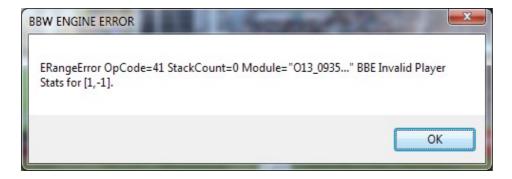
Problem: With an S runner on 2nd and a non F runner on 1st, the play is called correctly and putout/assist stats recorded correctly *but* the S runner who was out at the plate shows up on 3B after the play, bases now full instead of runners on 1st and 2nd. In the above, Zernial, despite being thrown out at the plate, shows up on third base after the play ends. The out was recorded but the bases are loaded instead of runners on 1st and 2nd and play continues. Affected both game play and stats.

#3



Game Board: Rare Play Board, Runners on 1st & 3rd, PRN 27, Fielding 3.

Problem: In a walk-off situation, the runners on 1st and 3rd code called for a jump to code involving runners on 2nd & 3rd which resulted in the above error. The game outcome was not affected but player and team stats were affected. Play description would halt after the error.



Game Board: Rare Play Board, Runners on 1st & 3rd, PRN 27, Fielding 3, Sacrifice-Squeeze called.

Problem: OpCode 41 error, play would abort. Play calls for a wild throw to 1st, batter safe, one runner scores, runner on 1st safe at 3rd and scores on wild throw to 3rd, batter to 2nd on throw. When crediting a run scored to a runner, the game uses the current base of the runner. In this case, it tried to credit the run to the runner on 1st but he had already been advanced to 3rd. Game outcome affected, stats affected.

#5

Commentary Edit: For the leadoff hitter of an inning the text could be 'To get it going for the Asylums here Leo GOMEZ". Changed to "To get it going for the Asylums here's Leo GOMEZ".

#6

Game Board: Rare Play Board, Runners on 1st and 2nd, PRN 28, Fielding 1, Sacrifice called.

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* T. KUBEK facing T. CLEVENGER, B 10th, No Outs, 1st and 2nd, Tied 3-3
He squares ... bunted down the first base line ... POWER has it ... he tags KUBEK ... no, wait
he's safe ... he missed him ... no, wait ... KUBEK's out ... he left the base path that's one! ... but the runners move up ... and it's a sacrifice for KUBEK
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Problem: The play description has the runners moving up - they did not (and should not). There should not be a credit for a sacrifice.

Problem: Errors in game/series commentary at end of game. Some examples ...

his record now 1 and 0 ... HERNANDEZ takes his 1st loss ... his record now 0 and 1 this was a one-game series ... the Dodgers move on from here ... they are hot now with 3 straight wins ... that's a fine start to this season ... overall they now stand at 3 and oh ... the Dodgers ... now with 3 losses in a row ... that puts the wraps on this one

RASCHI falls to 10 and 2 ... SANCHEZ saves ... his 3rd ... so that winds up this 3-game series despite this loss ... Yankees take the series ... CALIFORNIA '82 with ... 2 wins ... NEW YORK '53 1 ... overall they now stand at ... 43 wins and ... 35 losses ... the Yankees ... overall 50 wins 29 losses ... bye for now, everybody

his record now 10 and 6 ... SMYLY takes his 9th loss ... his record now 4 and 9 so that winds up this 4-game series ... despite this loss ...Red Rocks take the series ... 2-2 overall they now stand at ... 59 and let's see ... 40 ... for the Red Rocks ... overall 41

#8

Game Board: Runners on 2nd, PRN 6, batting type is PR

Problem: If batter batting type is Pulls Right (PR), on a walk-off double, batter is not credited with a hit or double, pitcher is not charged with a hit against or a double against.

#9

Game Board: Runners on 1st and 2nd, steal attempt.

GREEN guns it down...and GEIGER'S...and it's a wild throw...way over his head GEIGER scores easily...YASTRZEMSKI headed for third...they're waving him home here comes WOODLING's throw...the slide...the tag...safe at home!...two runs score"

Problem: Catcher was not charged with an error on the play.

Game Board: Rare Play Board, Runner on 2nd, PRN 20, Fielding 3, 2 outs.

Problem:

Game between the 1961 Reds & Pirates an unusual event occurred. Vada Pinson was on 2nd base with 2 outs and Zimmerman came to bat. He popped to 1st basement Dick Stuart who dropped the ball for an error. Pinson scored, but Zimmerman just disappeared. He never reached base, nor was there any mention of his outcome. There was still 2 outs with NO ONE on base, despite the error.

Fixed and added comment that batter reached 1st.

#11

Game Board: Runners on 1st and 3rd, PRN 12, Fielding 1 and Fielding 2, no outs

Problem: Under certain conditions (Hold/No Hold, Defense Close/Deep, Batting type or side) a batter was credited with an RBI after hitting into a double play.

#12

Game Board: Rare Play, Runner on 1st, PRN 4 and PRN 6, Fielding 2, hit and run play.

Space on the right ... ROMINE leading off ... and ROMINE takes off ... ripped to right center base hit ... VENABLE's racing over ... and it gets by him ... ROMINE streaks around third he's headed for home ... here's the throw

Problem: On walk-off win, play description (runner is safe etc.) is cut short.

#13

Game Board : Runners on 1st and 3rd, PRN 32, Fielding 1,2 and 3, Hit and Run play.

Problem : Play calls for a fly out to right with the runner caught off 1st, runner on 3rd scores. Run was incorrectly counted as unearned.

Problem : Text description omission of IP - "he goes only but didn't get an out" - when a starting pitcher is removed without recording an out.

#15

Problem: Comment on leader board ranking for HBP "he came into this game" not followed by rank.

* A. JONES facing J. LESTER, T 4th, 2 Outs, Bases Empty, Ahead 1-0
LESTER now ... strike three! ... and JONES is hopping mad ... he's jumping up and down ... no, wait
he's not angry ... he's hurt ... the pitch hit him
that's the 10th time he's been decked this season ... he came into this game
the umpire is calling time ... the trainer's out ... he's still down ... it doesn't look good
but he'll stay in the game ... he walks slowly down to first

Okay ... now FLAHERTY to face LESTER ... left-side batter ... for Twin City

#16

Problem : Comment of "4th hit of the game" - Wolter walked on this play.

Here's Harry WOLTER to hit for the Angels ... batting left ... two outs bases jammed ... down by 1

* H. WOLTER facing I. HIGGINBOTHAM, B 11th, 2 Outs, Bases Loaded, Behind 4-5
The runners take their lead ... here's a pitch ... can't find the strike zone ... that's ball four and WOLTER coaxes a walk ... HIGGINBOTHAM is upset with himself his control has deserted him for the moment ... and that ties the game and puts the winning run only 90 feet away ... and the bases are still loaded HIGGINBOTHAM kicks the rubber ... not happy with that pitch Beavers 5, Angels 5

Oh, those Angels ... they have tied this game ... and WOLTER now has 6 runs batted in on the season that's WOLTER's 4th hit of the game

#17

Problem : Commentary mentions a player's current errorless streak such as "47 games without a miscue" although player was charged with an error earlier in the game.