

Baseball Fan:

Here is your sample card of player Joe DiMaggio.

This is one of the 320 different players' cards included in the APBA Major League Baseball Game—the most realistic baseball game ever devised!

In the APBA game all sixteen present day Major League teams are represented, with twenty players each, and the performances of these players in one game or during a complete season's schedule will be virtually identical with their actual current records, and the top teams in the American and National leagues today will win the most games in APBA as well!

Over a period of games each player will hit doubles, triples and homeruns and steal bases with the same frequency as in his real life performance. The homerun leaders in the APBA game will be those who actually lead in the majors today. Ralph Kiner can hardly miss leading the National League and Ted Williams, Joe DiMaggio and others will battle for the lead in the American!

Providing for spurts or slumps, as in real life, each APBA player's batting average will be within twenty points above or below his true Major League average. You will find Billy Goodman and George Kell at the top of the American League in batting, while Musial and Robinson will be vying for the honors in the National League!

Even the frequency with which each player strikes out and walks is the same in the APBA Major League Baseball Game as in real life!

The leading pitchers of the day will give you the best performances and record the lowest earned run averages when performing for you in the APBA game.

The better fielding teams will make more double plays, commit fewer errors, throw more runners out trying to advance bases, and yield fewer scratch hits.

IN APBA YOU ARE THE MANAGER

Yet there is an added thrill in playing the APBA Major League Baseball Game, for you actually manage the teams as you play the game.

You select the pitchers and devise the line-ups and batting orders. You, the manager, must decide when to sacrifice or use the squeeze play, and the results will depend upon the ability of the player batting at the time.

You must decide whether the infield should play in for a play at home plate when a runner

is on third base. The fielding defense will be weaker when the infield is playing in, but you, as manager, may decide that the potential run on third is so important in the latter innings of a game that you must play your infield shallow regardless.

Deciding when to intentionally walk a batter will be up to you, the manager. Perhaps he is a very heavy hitter and runners are in scoring position, or perhaps a weak hitting pitcher follows him and first base is open with a runner on second and less than two outs, so you give an intentional walk to set up a double play situation.

You, as manager, must decide when to pull a pitcher and substitute a relief hurler—one of the most important phases of baseball management. You also select the pinch hitters and make changes in the fielding positions.

HOW THE APBA GAME IS PLAYED

This, in brief, is how the APBA Major League Baseball Game is played:

Dice are rolled (once) for each player's time at bat. One die is larger than the other, and the numbers are not added but combined, with the larger of the two dice being read first. A four and a one, for instance, would not be five, but forty-one, if the four were on the larger die. This makes a dice roll of thirty-six different numbers possible, as you can see on the card of Joe DiMaggio. After the dice number is a red number which gives the result of each particular time at bat by referring to the playing board under the proper base situation (Bases empty, Runner on First, etc.). One or two persons can play the APBA game.

TWENTY YEARS IN THE MAKING

The APBA game is the result of twenty years' baseball research in both statistics and actual playing, coaching and umpiring experience. The scoring and playing is identical in every instance to the Official Baseball Rule Book. If you are a dyed-in-the-wool fan, player or coach, you will be completely fascinated with the APBA Baseball Game. If you are just a casual fan, you will learn the fine points of baseball by playing APBA.

The consistency with which each player performs in accordance with his real life records is not based upon mere chance, but upon the unerring laws of mathematics. Thousands of games have been played in perfecting the playing board and the method of making the players' cards, and there has never been a sub-

stantial deviation from a player's APBA records and his actual major league performance.

The playing board provides for every conceivable play that might happen in a baseball game, down to injuries to the players themselves, and the rare plays occur just as rarely in the APBA Baseball Game as in an actual baseball game.

Separate, individual computation has gone into the making of each one of the 320 players' cards that come with the game.

Making up your own teams and leagues would not affect any individual player's performance. When managing an APBA team you can depend upon each player in his batting, fielding and pitching to the same degree as his real life manager can.

Play an entire season's schedule, replay the All-Star Game, pit the Phillies against the Yankees once again and see what the results will be with you directing the teams from the players' bench. No matter how you play it you will be endlessly delighted with the APBA Major League Baseball Game. It is the dream of every baseball fan—an opportunity to manage a major league club himself.

LARGE AND ELABORATE BUT EASY TO PLAY

The APBA game consists of two large, elaborate, scientific playing boards, a sacrifice booklet, 320 different players' cards in sixteen individual containers bearing team designations, a baseball diamond with an outs marker and base markers, two sets of dice, two dice shakers and complete instructions. It is packed in a box 23" x 15" x 1½" and sells for \$10.00 postpaid.

We stand ready at all times to answer your questions and offer suggestions for playing this unusual, scientific baseball game.

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