



## Scorekeepers Clinic

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## The ART of Scorekeeping

There are subjective components of scoring,  
try to limit across the league

No replays makes it more difficult

Can change judgment calls

- Discuss with other scorekeepers or TD
- Pointstreak scoring = home team
- Paper scoring = visiting team



## Goals for BRC Scorekeeping

1. Accuracy/Consistency
2. Simplicity for  
Scorekeepers
3. Back Up for iPads



## Accuracy

Players take stats seriously

Coaches use stats to help with on-field decisions

College coaches depend on stats

- Posted on college recruiting websites and on bios



## Challenges

Being completely objective

- Try to take the emotion out of judgment calls

Paying close attention at the ball park

- Don't want to take the fun out of being a fan
- Choose your seat wisely

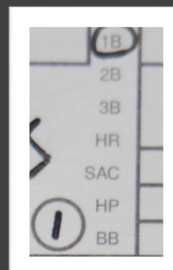
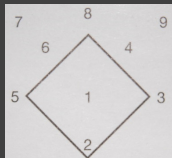
Have a scrap piece of paper

Scorebooks stay at the field



## Before we Start: Abbreviations

### Numbers for positions – bottom of sheet



1B, 2B, 3B, HR, HP, BB



## Before we Start: Abbreviations

### Abbreviations written out in TOTALS section

AB / R / H...etc.

At Bat	Runs	Hits	Runs batted in	1 base hit	2 base hit	3 base hit	Home run	Base on balls	Hit by pitcher	Sacrifice	Stolen base	Strike out	Put out	Assist	Error
AB	R	H	RBI	1B	2B	3B	HR	BB	HP	SAC	SB	SO	PO	A	E

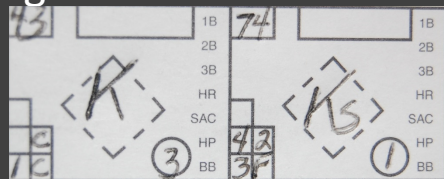
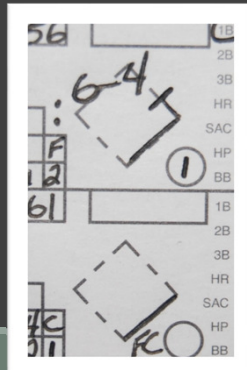


## Before we Start: Abbreviations

K – Strike out looking

Ks - Strike out swinging

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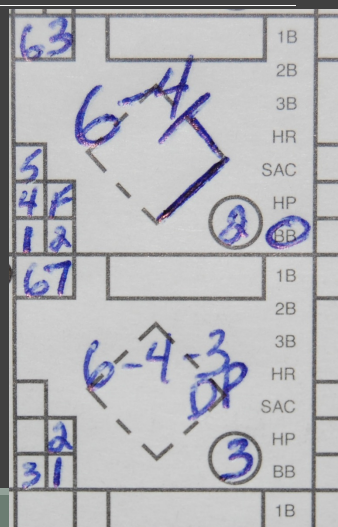
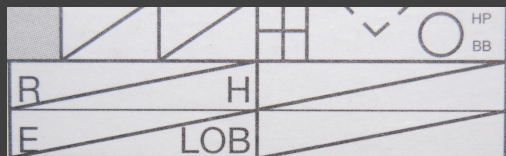
## Before we Start: Abbreviations

DP – Double play

WP / BK / PB

U (e.g. 3-U)

R / H / E / LOB



# Filling Out the Score Sheet



Fill out ALL information at the top of the score sheet

- Both teams
- Time of first pitch
- Date
- Location
- Your name
- Game #
- Division

No.	Name	Pos.	Inn.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113	114	115	116	117	118	119	120	121	122	123	124	125	126	127	128	129	130	131	132	133	134	135	136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	150	151	152	153	154	155	156	157	158	159	160	161	162	163	164	165	166	167	168	169	170	171	172	173	174	175	176	177	178	179	180	181	182	183	184	185	186	187	188	189	190	191	192	193	194	195	196	197	198	199	200	201	202	203	204	205	206	207	208	209	210	211	212	213	214	215	216	217	218	219	220	221	222	223	224	225	226	227	228	229	230	231	232	233	234	235	236	237	238	239	240	241	242	243	244	245	246	247	248	249	250	251	252	253	254	255	256	257	258	259	260	261	262	263	264	265	266	267	268	269	270	271	272	273	274	275	276	277	278	279	280	281	282	283	284	285	286	287	288	289	290	291	292	293	294	295	296	297	298	299	300	301	302	303	304	305	306	307	308	309	310	311	312	313	314	315	316	317	318	319	320	321	322	323	324	325	326	327	328	329	330	331	332	333	334	335	336	337	338	339	340	341	342	343	344	345	346	347	348	349	350	351	352	353	354	355	356	357	358	359	360	361	362	363	364	365	366	367	368	369	370	371	372	373	374	375	376	377	378	379	380	381	382	383	384	385	386	387	388	389	390	391	392	393	394	395	396	397	398	399	400	401	402	403	404	405	406	407	408	409	410	411	412	413	414	415	416	417	418	419	420	421	422	423	424	425	426	427	428	429	430	431	432	433	434	435	436	437	438	439	440	441	442	443	444	445	446	447	448	449	450	451	452	453	454	455	456	457	458	459	460	461	462	463	464	465	466	467	468	469	470	471	472	473	474	475	476	477	478	479	480	481	482	483	484	485	486	487	488	489	490	491	492	493	494	495	496	497	498	499	500	501	502	503	504	505	506	507	508	509	510	511	512	513	514	515	516	517	518	519	520	521	522	523	524	525	526	527	528	529	530	531	532	533	534	535	536	537	538	539	540	541	542	543	544	545	546	547	548	549	550	551	552	553	554	555	556	557	558	559	560	561	562	563	564	565	566	567	568	569	570	571	572	573	574	575	576	577	578	579	580	581	582	583	584	585	586	587	588	589	590	591	592	593	594	595	596	597	598	599	600	601	602	603	604	605	606	607	608	609	610	611	612	613	614	615	616	617	618	619	620	621	622	623	624	625	626	627	628	629	630	631	632	633	634	635	636	637	638	639	640	641	642	643	644	645	646	647	648	649	650	651	652	653	654	655	656	657	658	659	660	661	662	663	664	665	666	667	668	669	670	671	672	673	674	675	676	677	678	679	680	681	682	683	684	685	686	687	688	689	690	691	692	693	694	695	696	697	698	699	700	701	702	703	704	705	706	707	708	709	710	711	712	713	714	715	716	717	718	719	720	721	722	723	724	725	726	727	728	729	730	731	732	733	734	735	736	737	738	739	740	741	742	743	744	745	746	747	748	749	750	751	752	753	754	755	756	757	758	759	760	761	762	763	764	765	766	767	768	769	770	771	772	773	774	775	776	777	778	779	780	781	782	783	784	785	786	787	788	789	790	791	792	793	794	795	796	797	798	799	800	801	802	803	804	805	806	807	808	809	810	811	812	813	814	815	816	817	818	819	820	821	822	823	824	825	826	827	828	829	830	831	832	833	834	835	836	837	838	839	840	841	842	843	844	845	846	847	848	849	850	851	852	853	854	855	856	857	858	859	860	861	862	863	864	865	866	867	868	869	870	871	872	873	874	875	876	877	878	879	880	881	882	883	884	885	886	887	888	889	890	891	892	893	894	895	896	897	898	899	900	901	902	903	904	905	906	907	908	909	910	911	912	913	914	915	916	917	918	919	920	921	922	923	924	925	926	927	928	929	930	931	932	933	934	935	936	937	938	939	940	941	942	943	944	945	946	947	948	949	950	951	952	953	954	955	956	957	958	959	960	961	962	963	964	965	966	967	968	969	970	971	972	973	974	975	976	977	978	979	980	981	982	983	984	985	986	987	988	989	990	991	992	993	994	995	996	997	998	999	1000	1001	1002	1003	1004	1005	1006	1007	1008	1009	1010	1011	1012	1013	1014	1015	1016	1017	1018	1019	1020	1021	1022	1023	1024	1025	1026	1027	1028	1029	1030	1031	1032	1033	1034	1035	1036	1037	1038	1039	1040	1041	1042	1043	1044	1045	1046	1047	1048	1049	1050	1051	1052	1053	1054	1055	1056	1057	1058	1059	1060	1061	1062	1063	1064	1065	1066	1067	1068	1069	1070	1071	1072	1073	1074	1075	1076	1077	1078	1079	1080	1081	1082	1083	1084	1085	1086	1087	1088	1089	1090	1091	1092	1093	1094	1095	1096	1097	1098	1099	1100	1101	1102	1103	1104	1105	1106	1107	1108	1109	1110	1111	1112	1113	1114	1115	1116	1117	1118	1119	1120	1121	1122	1123	1124	1125	1126	1127	1128	1129	1130	1131	1132	1133	1134	1135	1136	1137	1138	1139	1140	1141	1142	1143	1144	1145	1146	1147	1148	1149	1150	1151	1152	1153	1154	1155	1156	1157	1158	1159	1160	1161	1162	1163	1164	1165	1166	1167	1168	1169	1170	1171	1172	1173	1174	1175	1176	1177	1178	1179	1180	1181	1182	1183	1184	1185	1186	1187	1188	1189	1190	1191	1192	1193	1194	1195	1196	1197	1198	1199	1200	1201	1202	1203	1204	1205	1206	1207	1208	1209	1210	1211	1212	1213	1214	1215	1216	1217	1218	1219	1220	12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# Overview of an Inning



No.	Name	Pos.	Pos.	1
35	DEVON WHITE	8		
12	ROBERTO ALONSO	4		
9	JOHN OLIVER	3		
29	JOE CARTER	7		
19	PAUL MOUTON	2		
24	RICKY HENDERSON	7		
33	ED SPRAGUE	5		
10	PAT BORDERS	3		
1	TONY FERNANDEZ	6		
41	PAT HENTGEN	1	5	6

1st Inning

**Hitters**  
who bat in the  
1st inning appear  
in this column

## Basic Scoring



**AB Result**      **On Base**      **Runs Batted In (RBI)**

**Running Pitch Count**  
**6-3**

**1 RBI**

**Balls/Strikes**      **Track Movement on Bases**      **New Pitcher**      **Player Substituted**

## Basic Scoring

### Running Pitch Count

(6 pitches, 1 was in play)

Reached on a Single

(Prev count was 50)

Put Out SS to 2B

Numbers

1<sup>st</sup> pitch ball

Swinging strikes

"F" for Foul Balls

Dots for Additional Foul Balls

1<sup>st</sup> Out of Inn.

## Basic Scoring

### Running Pitch Count

(2 pitches, 2nd was in play)

1 RBI

Reached on a Double

Numbers

(1<sup>st</sup> pitch ball)

Scored

Stole 3rd Base

# of player who drove him in





## Basic Scoring

**Running Pitch Count**

**1 Foul Ball with 2-Strikes**

**Called Strike 2**

**Foul Ball on Strike 1**

**Reached on Error by SS**



## Basic Scoring

### Double Play

63

6-4

6-4-3 DP

3

## Fielders Choice

56

6-4

1

FC



## Helpful Hints

PointStreak will total everything automatically

Use the break between innings to recreate the inning

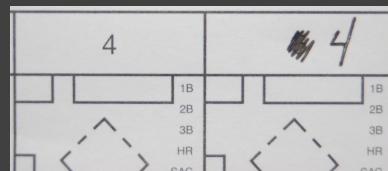
Use exhibition games as practice

Be aware when teams send more than 9 hitters to the plate

Sit close to umpire or in booth

for changes

Fill out line-up as early as possible



## Re-Entry

Any of the nine starting players may withdraw and re-enter once provided such player occupies the same batting position whenever he is in the lineup.

A substitute that is withdrawn may NOT re-enter.

If a pitcher is removed from the game because of a second trip to the mound, he may re-enter the game in any position with the exception of pitcher.

You can re-enter already used players in the event of injury or ejection ONLY.

## Re-Entry Example



No.	Name	Pos	Pos
25	DEVON WHITE	8	
56	SHAWN GREEN	8	4
25	DEVON WHITE	8	7

Devon White is replaced by Shawn Green in the 4<sup>th</sup> and Devon White re-enters the game in the 7<sup>th</sup> inning

Devon White HAS to re-enter in the same spot in the batting order

Shawn Green, after being replaced is NOT eligible to return

## Extra Player (EP)



An extra player can now be used at all levels in Babe Ruth

Can NOT add an EP part way through a game

- Manager must declare at the start of the game

Re-entry applies for the EP as well

You can pinch hit for the EP

Think of the EP as a 10<sup>th</sup> position on the field

- There will be 10 hitters in the batting line up
- Extra Player will be written in as "EP"

If a team starts with 10 players in the batting line up, the team must finish with 10 players



## Pitcher Warm Up Rule

A position player that is scheduled to pitch may exit the game to warm-up and re-enter with the intent of throwing the first pitch of the next defensive inning

The substitute player will not lose eligibility unless the pitcher does not begin the inning following the warm-up period and will then be considered active.

It would be considered as a substitution



Pitcher		Position		Innings	
No.	Name	Pos.	Pos.	1	2
34	DEVON WHITE	8			
12	ROBERTO ALOMAR	4			
9	JOHN OLERUD	3			
27	JOE CARTER	7			
19	PAUL MOLITOR	EP			
24	RICKEY HENDERSON	7			
33	ED SPRAGUE	3			
10	PAT BORDERS	3			
1	TONY FERNANDEZ	6			
41	PAT HENTGEN	1	36		



## Hits vs. Errors

An **error** is charged if, in the judgment of the official scorer, a fielder misplaying a ball in a manner that allows a batter or baserunner to reach one or more additional bases, when such an advance should have been prevented given ordinary effort by the fielder.

Can you give an error and a hit on the same play?



## Can you give both a hit & an E?

YES!

An error does not also count as a hit unless:

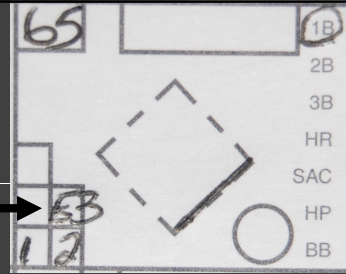
- Batter would have reached 1<sup>st</sup> base, but additional bases were given due to an error
- E.g: Shortstops fields ball and throws to 1st. Batter would have been safe at 1<sup>st</sup> (scored a hit), but a wild throw allows player to move to 2<sup>nd</sup> (1 base error)

If a hitter reaches on a error, it will lower his batting average

No RBI's are awarded if runs score due to an error, unless...

Dropped SAC fly example

# Hits vs. Errors



Errors are part of the game!

Can give an error on foul balls

Can NOT give errors on bad reads in the OF

- Matter of "ordinary effort"

Do NOT have to touch the ball to get an error

Slow is NOT an error

Diving/sliding/throwing on the run

Can NOT assume a DP will be turned

- Bobble a ball and still get the lead out = no error

## Foul Ball Errors (Rule 10.12)



The official scorer shall charge an error against any fielder:

(1) whose misplay (fumble, muff or wild throw) prolongs the time at bat of a batter, prolongs the presence on the bases of a runner or permits a runner to advance one or more bases, unless, in the judgment of the official scorer, such fielder deliberately permits a foul fly to fall safe with a runner on third base before two are out in order that the runner on third shall not score after the catch;

(2) when such fielder muffs a foul fly to prolong the time at bat of a batter, whether the batter subsequently reaches first base or is put out;





## Hits

Throwing error or receiver error?

- Catcher example: throwing out runners

Would the runner have beat the throw anyways?

- Don't use as justification not to give errors

Remember: if player hits a 2B and tries to stretch to a 3B and gets thrown out...still credited with a 2B



## Passed Ball vs. Wild Pitch

Both are separate statistical categories and ARE NOT COUNTED in the ERROR TOTALS

Passed ball

Should have been played by the catcher with normal effort

Runner(s) must advance

Includes dropped 3<sup>rd</sup> strike

No stolen base is given to the baserunner(s) unless they break before the pitch reaches the plate



## Passed Ball vs. Wild Pitch

### Wild Pitch

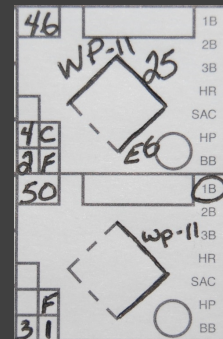
Pitch is in the dirt, over the catchers head, or wide of the plate

Runners must advance to charge a wild pitch

Runners do not get SB unless they break before the pitch reaches plate

Not included in TEAM errors

Does impact Earned Runs



## The Sacrifice Bunt

Hitter *intentionally* bunts the ball *and* advances a runner to the next base

If the hitter beats the throw (no error) it is recorded as a hit

If a throwing error is made on a SAC bunt, a SAC is still awarded if the baserunners would have moved up

If the hitter is thrown out it is a SAC

Does not count as an at bat (AB), but does count as a plate appearance (PA)



## The Sacrifice Fly

Less than 2 out

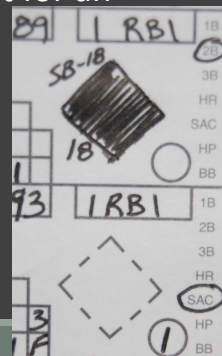
Ball hit to the OF

Batter is out (or would have been if not for an error)

Runner *scores* on the play

Hitter is credited with an RBI

Does not count as an AB



## The Ribbie (RBI's)

Anytime the outcome of a hitter's AB is a run being scored without the help of an error

Includes BB's, HBP's, and catcher interference

Hitter is NOT credited with an RBI when he grounds into a DP

What if the fielder holds the ball or throws to the wrong base?

- Runner keeps running=RBI
- Runner stops and starts again=Fielders Choice



## Defensive Indifference

Defensive team is indifferent to the offensive team advancing one base

Scored as DI

Take into consideration the entire game situation

- Inning and score
  - Winning run at 3<sup>rd</sup> or big margin
- Pickoffs?
- Holding runner?
- 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> will almost always be credited as a SB



## Batting Out of Order

Batting out of turn is ignored unless a member of the defensive team notifies the umpire.

The "proper batting order" is simply the hitter who's name follows the previous actual batter. Need to appeal before next pitch.

One pitch constitutes a plate appearance, if this occurs, the batter out of order now becomes "proper".

The written order does not change; next time through the proper, written order is used.



## Batting Out of Order

If the batter who just finished batting does not follow the previous batter in the written order, any advances or scores due to his actions are nullified, he is removed from the bases if he reached, and the proper batter is called out.

Outs made against runners other than the improper batter stand.

If the infraction is noticed during the AB, proper batter comes to the plate with same count.



## Pitch Counts

BRC has pitch count rules to protect our players

Scorekeepers ARE PERMITTED to stop the game to notify coaches when a pitch count MAXIMUM is exceeded

Pointstreak pitch counts will be used for disciplinary reasons

## Pitch Counts – During May



13-14 Year Olds		15-18 Year Olds	
# of Pitches	# of Days of Rest	# of Pitches	# of Days of Rest
1-20	0 Days of Rest	1-30	0 Days of Rest
21-35	1 Day of Rest	31-45	1 Day of Rest
36-50	2 Days of Rest	46-60	2 Days of Rest
51-65	3 Days of Rest	61-74	3 Days of Rest
66-75	4 Day of Rest	75+	4 Days of Rest
75	A-League MAX 1-Day & 4-Day cumulative	75	AA League MAX 1-Day & 4-Day cumulative
		85	AAA League MAX 1-Day & 4-Day cumulative

## Pitch Count – June/July



13-14 Year Olds		15-18 Year Olds	
# of Pitches	# of Days of Rest	# of Pitches	# of Days of Rest
1-20	0 Days of Rest	1-30	0 Days of Rest
21-35	1 Day of Rest	31-45	1 Day of Rest
36-50	2 Days of Rest	46-60	2 Days of Rest
51-65	3 Days of Rest	61-75	3 Days of Rest
66+	Mandatory 4 Day of Rest	76+	Mandatory 4 Days of Rest
95	A-League MAX 1-Day & 4-Day cumulative	95	AA League MAX 1-Day & 4-Day cumulative
		105	AAA League MAX 1-Day & 4-Day cumulative





## Stat Entry to BRC

Game sheets can stay in the scorebooks

- If managers want one copy, please provide a duplicate

PointStreak will take care of the rest!!



**THANK YOU!**  
**Questions?**

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