Additional Library Resources for Baseball Information

This brochure is intended as a starting point for information about the San Diego SABR Baseball Research Center in the Art, Music & Recreation Section of the Central Library.

Other sections of the Central Library, including Social Sciences, Literature & Languages, History, Science & Industry, Newspaper Room and California Room, hold additional materials related to baseball.

For example, many biographies of baseball players are located in the History Section, books containing baseball short stories and other fiction are located in the Literature & Languages Section, and books about preventing sports injuries can be found in the Science & Industry Section.

The Library’s online catalog and databases can help you identify additional resources that may help with your research. Also, librarians are available to assist you on these and other topics.

For more information about the Baseball Research Center or how to contribute to the Library, please contact:

San Diego Public Library - Central Library
Art, Music & Recreation Section
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Web: http://www.sandiego.gov/public-library

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San Diego Ted Williams Chapter
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Padres relief pitcher Trevor Hoffmann reads to children at a San Diego Public Library event.

This material is available in alternative formats upon request.
San Diego SABR Baseball Research Center at Central Library

The San Diego SABR Baseball Research Center identifies, organizes, preserves and promotes the research and study of baseball through a partnership between the San Diego Public Library and the San Diego Ted Williams chapter of the Society for American Baseball Research (SABR).

The primary objectives of the Center include:
- Promoting interest in the history of baseball in San Diego.
- Organizing, enlarging and preserving a baseball research collection available to the general public.
- Creating and preserving a unique collection of baseball research materials specifically related to the history of baseball in San Diego.
- Creating a working and ongoing research relationship between SABR and the Library.

Areas of local interest include:
- San Diego Padres (Pacific Coast and National Leagues)
- San Diego Surf Dawgs
- Collegiate baseball in San Diego
- Ted Williams baseball achievements in San Diego
- Professional baseball players born and raised in San Diego and their local achievements.

Selected Baseball Bibliography

The collection available at the Baseball Research Center includes printed books, audio books, videos, music CDs, sheet music and archival materials. Below is a sampling of printed reference materials.

**BOOKS**
- *America’s National Game: Historic Facts Concerning the Beginning, Evolution, Development and Popularity of Baseball* by A. G. Spalding. 1911. R796 SPALDING
- *Baseball Desk Reference* by Lawrence Lorimer. 2002. R796.357 LORIMER
- *Baseball and American Culture: A Thematic Bibliography of over 4,500 Works* by Donald E. Walker. 1995. R796.357 WALKER
- *Baseball Register*. Annual. R796.357 BASEBALL
- *Standard Catalog of Baseball Cards*. Annual. R769.4979 STANDARD

**PERIODICALS**
- *Baseball Players Chronicle* (1867 on microfilm)
- *Baseball Record* (1885-1886 on microfilm)
- *New England Base Ballist* (1868 on microfilm)
- *The Reach Official American League Baseball Guide* (1883-1939 on microfilm)
- *The Sporting News*. (1886 to the present; current year’s issues in Art, Music & Recreation)
- *Sports Illustrated*. (1954 to the present)