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2013 Standard Instructions
We play the APBA Master Game at home.

## Rumrunners 2013 Roster



## Lineups

Lineups will be provided on a per-series basis. These are representative lineups depending on usage. As one of two players will play second base and catcher during the course of the season, they are subject to change depending on who is on the active roster. On boards, use Lineup 1 against Grade 9 or below, Lineup 2 against Grade 10 or more.

| LHP (comp) | RHP (comp) | LHP (board 1) | LHP (board 2) | RHP (board 1) | RHP (board 2) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Castro, dh | Suzuki, rf | Castro, dh | Suzuki, rf | Castro, dh | Suzuki, rf |
| Suzuki, rf | C. Jones, dh | Suzuki, rf | C. Jones, dh | Suzuki, rf | Moreland, 1b |
| Desmond, ss | Rutledge, 2b | Perez/Sanchez, c | Rutledge, 2b | Moreland, 1b | C. Jones, dh |
| Quentin, lf | Desmond, ss | Quentin, lf | Quentin, lf | Quentin, lf | Quentin, lf |
| Perez/Sanchez, c | Perez/Sanchez, c | Desmond, ss | Freese, 3b | Desmond, ss | Desmond, ss |
| Freese, 3b | Freese, 3b | Freese, 3b | Desmond, ss | Rutledge/Hairsto, 2b | Rutledge/Hairston, 2b |
| M. Young, lb | Moreland, lb | M. Young, 1b | Perez/Sanchez, c | Freese, 3b | Freese,3b |
| Hairston, 2b | Podsednik, lf | Hairston, 2b | M. Young, 1b | Perez/Sanchez, c | Perez/Sanchez, c |
| Maybin, cf | Maybin, cf | Cain/Marte, cf | Cain/Marte, cf | Maybin, cf | Maybin, cf |

## Roles

C: Hector SANCHEZ and Salvador PEREZ will start at catcher all season. After three plate appearances the starting catcher should be removed for Jose MOLINA unless the game is on the line. MOLINA should also be brought in as a defensive replacement when the Rumrunners are ahead by 2 or more after the 7 th inning.

Infield: Mitch MORELAND and Michael YOUNG will share duty at first base. MORELAND sits against tough lefties. At second base, Jerry HAIRSTON and Josh RUTLEDGE will start. Only one will be on the roster at a time. Ian DESMOND will start at shortstop, occasionally spelled by Starlin CASTRO. David FREESE will get most of the reps at 3B.

Outfield: Ichiro SUZUKI will play every day in RF. Cameron MAYBIN will share center field with one of Lorenzo CAIN or Starling MARTE, who will play against board lefties. Carlos QUENTIN will start in left field and will usually be replaced by Scott PODSEDNIK for defense or to pinch-run.

DH: Starlin CASTRO and Chipper JONES will share duty. The player not in the lineup will be available from the bench.

## Defensive Management

Substitutes. Jose MOLINA will replace the starting catcher as noted above. Scott PODSEDNIK or Cameron MAYBIN can replace Carlos QUENTIN. Do not use Mitch MORELAND, Lorenzo CAIN or Starling MARTE if not starting.
Throws. Throw for the best chance, except always throw for the game winner; otherwise, don't bother with 34+ chances (or "well around" in the computer game), cut off instead. Use your best judgement on multiple advances. In the computer game, throw when baseball sense suggests, and when in doubt go with the recommended strategy unless it's the game winner.

Infield/Stretch/IW. IF always deep before the 7 th inning; always deep with 2 outs. 7 th or later, with tying or winning run on 3rd, 0 or 1 out, play in unless first and third and your instructions call for hit and run - then play deep for the DP. The only exception, of course, is if the game winner is on third. Wind up 0 or 1 out; with 2 outs, if the runner on 3rd has SSN $12+$ and the game is within 3 , stretch; otherwise wind up. I intentionally walk rarely, and only with the game winner already on base to set up the DP; use your judgement.

## Offensive Management

Hit and Run whenever available with any hitter, when steal of second has at least 22+ SSN. Remember that TBL's -3 penalty on $H \& R$ is not present on the computer. Do not hit and run with runners on first and third with HAIRSTON. H\&R in preference to straight steal.
This is a very fast team. Steal with CASTRO, SUZUKI, MAYBIN or DESMOND 2/series; anyone else 1/series if steal attempts are available. Steal 2 nd with an SSN of $26+$; steal 3 rd with an SSN of $24+$; steal home with an SSN of $15+$. Series instructions may expand these limits as the season progresses.
Bunt with CAIN, HAIRSTON, MAYBIN, PODSEDNIK, SUZUKI or YOUNG 2nd to 3rd base, tying (0 out) or winning ( 0 or 1 out) run, 8th or later. NEVER EVER EVER SQUEEZE. JUST SAY NO. I will occasionally bunt $1_{\text {st }}$ to $2_{\text {nd }}$ against a very high grade pitcher, tying or winning run, 0 out only.
Pinch Hit with anyone other than CAIN or MARTE as needed. There is a lot of bench usage. Unless specifically marked as resting, anyone else may be used off the bench. The same goes for pinch-runners; there are many steal attempts.
Baserunning. Go with 28+ chances; hold with 22 -. Otherwise, use Adams Tables. Always go if "well around" in the computer game; otherwise, do what you'd do.

## Pitching

| Starter | Condition For Removal |
| :--- | :--- |
| Hamels | Fatigue reduction. <br> Rumrunners $-2 /+2,6^{\text {th }}$ inning or later, baserunner in scoring position |
| Everyone else | Fatigue reduction. <br> Rumrunners $-3 /+3,5$ th |

Don't remove if pitching a shutout. Don't let any starter pitch more than 11.2 innings.

| Reliever | Condition For Removal |
| :--- | :--- |
| Tazawa | Enters in the final inning, Rumrunners +1 or +2. He is the designated <br> closer. If opponent ties the game, remove. |
| D. Hernandez, Norberto | 2 innings, or if fatigued. |
| Cishek, Valverde, Frasor | 2.2 innings, or if fatigued. |
| M. Gonzalez | Where a lefthanded reliever is called for. Use sparingly and late in the <br> game. Don't use for bulk innings. |
| Mendoza | Unless starting, he is available for bulk relief. He has 166 innings for the <br> season and should be used to save the rest of the bullpen. |

Try to avoid having any reliever pitch more than 2.2 innings.
Use the reliever chart below; choose the reliever depending on the situation. Do not use SANCHEZ or RIVERA except in his assigned role; otherwise any reliever can be brought into the game at any time.

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|  | $5^{\text {th_ }}$ | M | M | M | C | C | C | C | C |
|  | $6^{\text {th }}$ | M | C | C | B | B | B | C | C |
|  | $7^{\text {th }}$ | M | C | B | B | B | A | B | B |
|  | $8^{\text {th }}$ | C | B | B | A | A | A | A | B |
|  | $9^{\text {th }}+$ | C | B | A | A | A | T | T | A |

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A: Norberto (against lefties); Hernandez, Gonzalez, Cishek, Valverde
B: Cishek, Hernandez, Norberto, Valverde, Frasor, Mendoza
C: Valverde, Frasor, Cishek, Hernandez
M: Mendoza, Bard
T: Tazawa
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The Lefty: GONZALEZ is the primary spot lefty. He should be used to match up against left-handed opposing hitters with batting shifts, particularly when they will not leave the game. He should not pitch more than an inning.

## Final Comments

As always, instructions are only guidelines for managing the team. I haven't protested a game in more than twenty-five years, and have been very pleased for many years with the skill and fairness of managers in TBL both new and old. When pinch-hitting or going to the bullpen, don't bother making a move you can immediately and massively counter; use your own judgement. I trust that I will receive as fair treatment on the road as opponents do at home. Do the best you can, and I'll be more than satisfied. Have a great year.

Rumrunners 2010 Rotation


