

VIII. Sport Studies

- VIII-1 Whimpress, Bernard. "The Value of Facts in Sports History." *Sporting Traditions*, 9, No. 1 (November 1992), 2-15.

This is an article on sports historiography. Sporting facts in themselves are useless, they need to be interpreted and put into a broader context. Sports writing has three sources: sports journalism, physical education and history. Distinguishes between self-contained and connected writings. The former are descriptive and non-analytical; the latter are analytical and relate sport to wider (social, historical) issues. Mainly secondary sources: 34 notes.

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- VIII-2 Arpi, Richard W., comp. "Bibliography of Baseball Books: January 1990-April 1991," *Baseball History* 4 (Westport, CT: Meckler Publishing, 1991). 119-154.

This comprehensive effort lists baseball books published between January 1990 and April 1991. The bibliography was divided into two sections, the 1990 calendar year and January through April 1991. Each section was divided into nine categories: Anthologies, Book Reviews, and Literary Analysis; Biographies and Personal Accounts; Fiction and Poetry; Histories and General Works; Hobby; Humor and Trivia; Instruction, Fitness, and Rules; Juvenile; and Reference, Statistics and Annual Works. This listing of 511 baseball books will prove valuable to the baseball researcher.

—Jim Olson