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FOOT MANUAL

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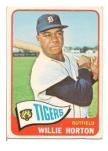
# **HOM Guys**



Mark Talbot's HOM guy



John McLaughlin's HOM guy



Mike Rich's HOM guy



Earl Kilbourn's HOM guy



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Mike Mroz's HOM guy



TOE Member Grant Rainsley's HOM Guy

#### **Definitions / Terms**

- <u>FOOT:</u> Detroit Tigers loyalist within OBC. Most FOOTs are based in Michigan, but can also be found in less civilized locations such as Scotland and Colorado.
- **FOOTage:** The number of revolutions around the sun a FOOT member has experienced.
- **FOOT fall:** A special time of year for FOOT members when the Tigers season extends into October.
- <u>FOOT Feast:</u> The consumption of massive amounts of food and beverage during or after a FOOT activity or event.
- <u>FOOT Fest:</u> A major FOOT gathering of several FOOT members to celebrate a significant event or happening which would include a FOOT feast and card swapping.
- <u>FOOT notes:</u> Correspondence, generally via e-mail, announcing and/or providing information about an upcoming FOOT activity or event.
- <u>FOOT prints:</u> Personal baseball cards of FOOT members. Photos of FOOT members from card shows, FOOTogethers, FOOT Fests and other FOOT activities.
- <u>FOOTogether:</u> A gathering of two or more FOOT members, usually at a card show, sporting event or FOOT residence. Generally includes a FOOT feast.
- <u>FOOT report:</u> A report submitted to OBC Ramblings by a FOOT member detailing their experience at a FOOT activity / event. Humor and good natured ribbing of other members is encouraged. FOOT reporters should keep in mind the Codere rule: "never let the truth interfere with a good story"!
- FOOT welcome: A tradition of legendary proportions wherein FOOT members welcome OBCers visiting the Great State of Michigan. The hospitality extended includes attendance at card shows, sporting events, local eateries / FOOT feast, card swaps or any combination thereof. Generally the visiting OBCer's legal tender is not good at said local eateries. The cardboard will be a 'flyin!
- House of Maxwell: The residence of FOOT member EEK in the beautiful environs of Grand Blanc, Michigan and home of a modest collection of Charlie Maxwell memorabilia. Also home of the "valuables vault" aka a converted fridge, containing higher end cardboard.

- Rich Museum: Abridged name for The Rich Museum of Trading Cards and Sports Memorabilia which is second in size only to the curator's wantlists.

  The Museum doubles as a residence for said curator as well as serving as a B & B for visiting OBCers.
- Rich Thoughts: Pontifications by the highly respected and knowledgeable FOOT Member, Mike Rich regarding a number of topics generally related to Baseball and card collecting. His extensive knowledge about obscure offbeat cards and sets and readiness to regale on such has earned him the title of "King of Odd Balls!"
- Talbot Manor: FOOT member Mark Talbot's residence and home of his renowned Basement Bar and Baseball Card Emporium where cardboard flies and conversation flows. You get your *chats worth* at Talbot Manor.
- <u>T.O.E</u>: Acronym for Tigers Outstate Enthusiast or Tigers October Enthusiast when the Tigers make the Playoffs. Membership is limited and highly sought after among OBC members who must meet the rigid criteria previously outlined in this manual. OBCers attending FOOTogethers while visiting Michigan are Temporary TOEs for the duration of their stay.

#### **FOOT FAQs**

- Q. Is it true that the acronym FOOT was actually created by an Ohio native?
- A. Yes, the FOOT acronym was in fact the brain child of long time OBCer and avid Detroit Tigers fan John McLaughlin.
- Q. Beyond the Membership criteria are there additional requirements such as a probationary period or initiation process?
- A. There is not a probationary period for FOOT members, however there is in fact an initiation process. Each FOOT member is obliged to set through the entire unabridged version of Mike Rich's arrest for illegal ticket sales. When experienced by a TOE member this experience is frequently referred to as hazing.

\*FOOT members are encouraged to modify or add to this Manual as inspired.

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