

Sports

ESPN

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Scott Rasmussen and his father, Bill, founded ESPN. It was launched in September 7, 1979. Chet Simmons was their first president and CEO. It is at Bristol, Connecticut; it also has offices in New York City, Seattle, Washington; Charlotte North Carolina; and Los Angeles.

It was named ESPN on February 1985. It was first called ESP for Entertainment Sports and Programming. Its first people that hosted it were Lee Leonard and George Grande. Their first big hit was women's tennis.

It's a 24-hour show and has a variety of sports. They first showed NFL in 1987. They first showed MLB in 1990. On the show there is a lot of sports related talk shows. The 30,000th show was on February 11, 2007.

Their slogan is "The World wide Leaders in Sports".

Comanche Maidens

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I like the Comanche Maidens basketball team. My sister plays on one of the best basketball teams ever. I like watching the Maidens win every time she has a basketball game. She makes very good 2 and 3 pointer shots. She is a good sport at basketball. Basketball is her life and also everything to her. The basketball teachers know that she is a good basketball player, and that she can depend on her team to win. They're first in district. I hope the Maidens win their next game.

Babe Ruth

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George Herman Ruth " Babe Ruth" was one of baseball's best players ever. Babe Ruth was a left handed pitcher and batter. He lead the Red Sock to the World Series two times and too two world Series victories. In 1918 he was traded to the Yankees from the Red Socks. He told the Red Socks they would never win another World Series when they traded him. They finally won one in 2004. Ruth was born February 6, 1918, in Baltimore. He had eight

brothers and sisters, but only one lived through infancy his sister.

Ruth got in a lot of trouble when he was young. At seven his parents put him in St. Mary's Industrial School. That's were he learned to play baseball. At 15 he played catcher and pitcher for the varsity team.

At 19 Ruth was spotted by Jack Dunn the owner of the Baltimore Orioles. He signed the pro contract. He was in custody of Jesuits not his parents and was supposed to stay in school till he was 21. So Dunn was forced to adopt him. The called him Dunn's baby which became Babe. The nickname stayed with him for the rest of his life. He only stayed five months with the Orioles. He was traded to the Red Socks.

In his first World Series he pitched 29 2/3 scoreless innings and braking a record that would stand for 43 years. He also played outfielder and first base. He set a MLB record of 29 homeruns.

The Red Socks traded him to the Yankees for \$125,000. The old Yankees stadium was known as the house Ruth built. Ruth set another record in 1927 for 60 homeruns in a single season it was topped in 1961, but the season was eight games more.

In 1930 Ruth was earning \$80,000 a year, more than the

president the president was earning \$75,000 a year. Babe's most Famous hit was in game three of the 1932 World Series. He hit it in the fifth inning with two strikes two balls. He called his shot on the next pitch it went where he pointed which was at the center field stands. It was about 500 feet into the stands.

He ended his career with the Boston Braves. He ended with 714 homeruns. Babe's lifetime bating average was .690. Ruth was one of the first six people in the hall of fame.

Facts

Platypus...Platyuses...

Platypi?!?!

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The Platypus is the only mammal to lay eggs, save for the four species of Echidna. Although, THIS article isn't about them. The platypus is a semi-aquatic mammal, that, extremely strangely, it's young are NOT born alive. The Platypus's eggs will hatch into its young. Those cute, little, amusing little Platypus...err... I mean... Platypuses? Or is it Platypi?

Well, now seems like a good time to tell you, there is no universally agreed upon plural of the English word Platypus. Scientists generally use Platypuses, or, simply, Platypus. Some people use Platypi, although this is Pseudo-Latin. A quite interesting animal it is, indeed. Truly when it was first discovered, it was assumed to be a clever fake. It is the only one of its species, yet fossilized relatives have been discovered. I like to learn about the Platypus-because there is MUCH to learn.

Old Billy

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Did you know that horses live up to 20-25 years (maybe even 30)? And did you know that the oldest horse ever recorded was a horse named "Old Billy?" He lived to be 62 years old and was born in England in 1760. He was a barge horse that pulled barges up and down canals. Old Billy was said to look like a big cob/shire horse. On November 27, 1822 Old Billy died.



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