

The Schott-Pelican Chapter of SABR



Quarterly Newsletter

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October 28, 2023
Holiday Inn in Metairie, LA

Attending In-Person

- Derby Gisclair
- Richard Cuicchi
- Jim Copeland
- Justin Soniat
- Rick Dempsey

Attending Via ZOOM

- Ryan Schroer
- Jim McDonald
- Carlis Robinson

Featured Presentation

This quarter's Featured Presentation was by **Zak Ford** who introduced his new book, "Called Up" just released by McFarland.

A member of the Sacramento chapter of SABR, Ford has been a lifelong San Francisco Giants fan. His first book, "Called Up: Ballplayers Remember Becoming Major Leaguers," presents more than 100 first-person interviews with players between 1961 and 2018 who recall the events surrounding the time that they went from the minors to the majors.

Other Presentations

The following presentations were also given:

- ***New Orleans Related Tobacco Cards*** by **Derby Gisclair** A brief overview of three series of tobacco cards (T213, T214, and T216) and two series of bakery cards (D328 and D329) produced in New Orleans.
- ***Ahead of Their Time: Baseball Innovations from the Early 1960s*** by **Richard Cuicchi** A quick look at eight proposed innovations that we take for granted today.
- ***Wins by Dollar Spent*** by **Justin Soniat** An informative graph to help us visualize which ball clubs got the most bang for their bucks.

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Chapter Business and Announcements

During the normal quarterly meeting of the Schott-Pelican Chapter of SABR, the following topics were discussed and/or announcements made:

- **SABR Chapter Standards** – As previously reported last quarter, SABR has begun rolling out their chapter standards initiative and we are pleased to report that the Schott-Pelican Chapter was one of three chapters to reach the base-level Starting Lineup level along with the Larry Doby Chapter in South Carolina and the Rogers Hornsby Chapter in Austin/San Antonio. We are working toward the next level.
- **SABR By-Laws** – To reach the next level, we will need to adopt chapter by-laws as part of our overall governance process. To that end, Richard Cuicchi handed out the proposed Bylaws of the Louisiana Schott-Pelican Chapter of SABR for the memberships review and consideration, He also proposed that the bylaws be revised to provide for the election of an “at-large” member to serve on the leadership board.
- **Upcoming Email Distributions** – We will be circulating all of the attachments from the fourth quarter meeting to everyone along with this newsletter. We will also be sending out the schedule of meeting dates for 2024.
- **New Member Initiative** – We are renewing our efforts to expand our membership and would like for everyone to consider inviting a guest who may be interested in learning more about what SABR is all about.

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