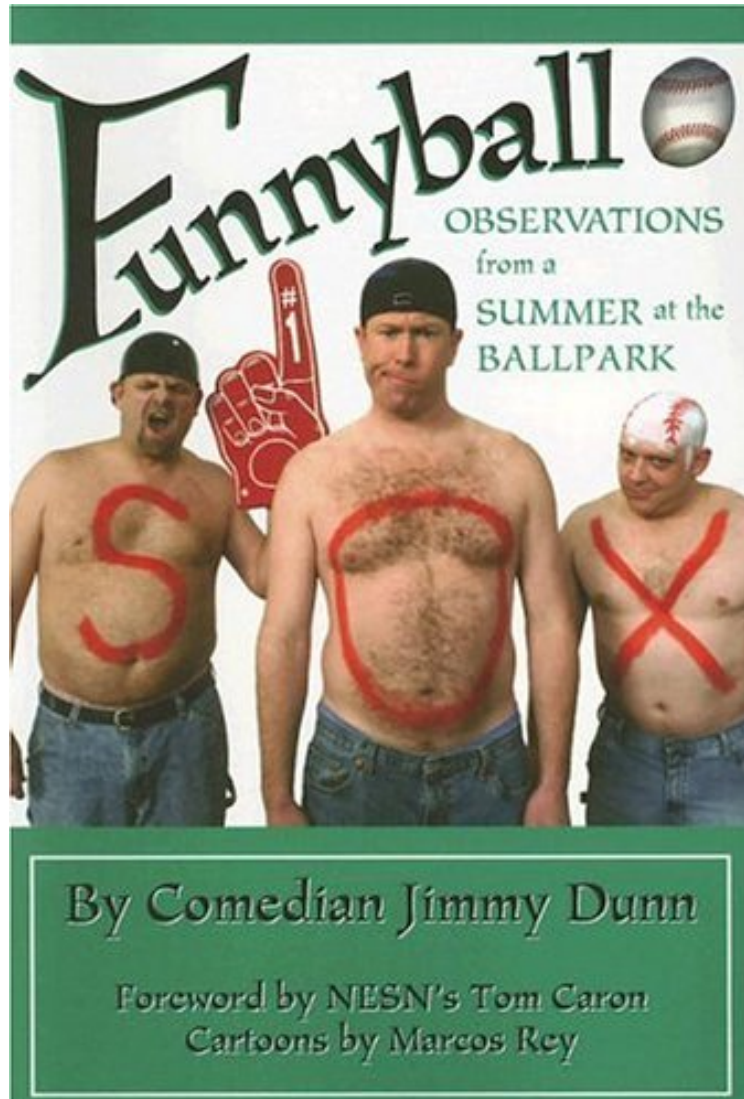


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Jimmy Dunn : Funnyball: Observations from a Summer at the Ballpark before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Funnyball: Observations from a Summer at the Ballpark:

•Hilarious highlights from the Red Sox 2004 season •Foreword by Tom Caron, NESN Red Sox Host From the foreword by Tom Caron; “When the Red Sox won the World Series, someone said theywere waiting for the other eleven signs of the Apocalypse to appear.Here’s one more: Jimmy Dunn wrote a book. After all, Jimmy’s probably

only READ four or five of them in his life. And now he's an author? Miracles really do happen. I first met Jimmy ten years ago, and have been laughing at him ever since. Or is that with him? Either way, you get the point. The man is funny. His standup is top-notch. You'll never find a more hard-core Red Sox fan, either. Any guy who has "dontblamebuckner" as part of his email address takes it a little too seriously, don't you think? Jimmy spent the 2004 Red Sox season as the fan-in-the-stands/sports travel consultant for our pre-game show. His pieces were some of the funniest, most off-beat stuff we ever aired. He took ontowns like Toronto, San Francisco, and New York and let Red Sox Nation know how to travel—and party—in style on the road to a championship! . I'm still waiting for his travel tips on Tampa Bay, however. Some day, his Red Sox Hawaiian shirt will probably sell for more on ebay than a WorldSeries ring... Why read this book? Because it's funny."

Everybody loves Jimmy Dunn. He is a funny, funny man! --May 2005 — Sox Legend Sam Horn Jimmy Dunn makes us laugh like only a true Boston sports fan can...he has felt the pain. --May 2005 — Butch Sterns, FOX 25 SPORTS Comic/author turns a summer at Fenway into winning smiles. --May 6, 2005, Nick A. Zaino III, Boston Globe From the Author I make my living as a stand-up comedian. Several years ago, the comedy world led me to the New England Sports Network (NESN), where I scored a gig as the co host of Fan Attic. I played a Boston sports fan who lived in the attic above the TV studios and was constantly digging out old tapes to watch with Boston's most diehard of fans. Fan Attic was a great gig. Not only did I get to do some funny stuff on TV (my favorite being re-creating Bobby Orr's famous flying goal with the help of a shopping cart we "borrowed" from a nearby supermarket), but I also was fortunate enough to meet some of the greatest athletes in the city's history, including Orr, Cam Neely, John Bucyk, Derek Sanderson, Nomar Garciaparra, and many others. We did about fifty Fan Attic shows before it ended and thanks to endless reruns the show developed a cult status with hardcore Boston sports fans. To this day, it seems every time I visit Kelley's for a roast beef sandwich, I get the "What's up!, Fan Attic guy?" followed by some reminiscing about the Craig Neinhaus era. After Fan Attic, I did some bits for Sports Sunday, a show on FOX hosted by my friend Butch Sterns. As the summer of 2004 started, I was planning the usual schedule; stand-up gigs on the Cape and islands, a week in Vegas at the Riviera (105 degrees on the street, but a cool 67 degrees in the sports book at Caesars), and comedy clubs around Boston. Then the boys from NESN called again, with what turned out to be the greatest summer job anyone could possibly imagine. So I signed on to be the traveling fan: the show's correspondent from the bleachers, a big-mouthed, opinionated wise-ass in an obnoxious team-logoed Hawaiian shirt. What follows is a series of random thoughts, ideas and observations, rantings and ravings, and nonsensical baseball babble that found its way into my notebook as I spent countless days and evenings with some of the funniest and most passionate sports fans in the world, the fans of the Boston Red Sox. About the Author Comedian Jimmy Dunn is a Boston favorite and a national headliner. Sports fans may recognize him as the host of FanAttic on NESN and from his regular appearances on the Boston Red Sox Pregame Report during the Historic 2004 Season. He has made several appearances on Comedy Central.