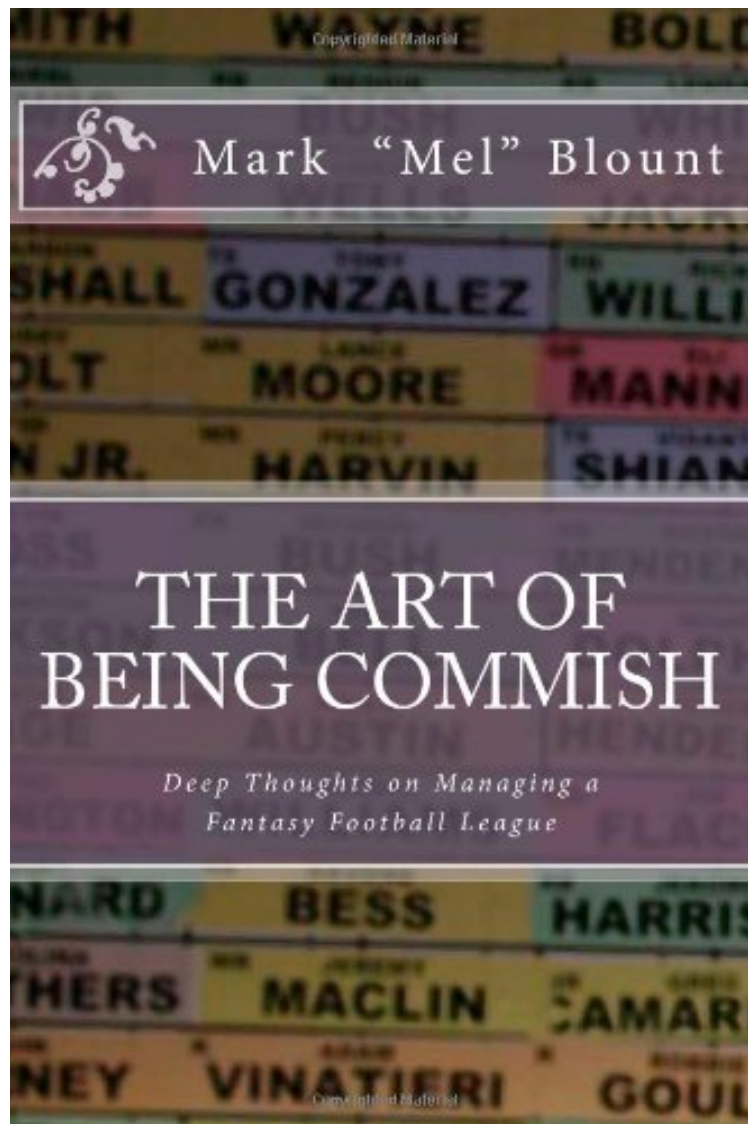


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goes without saying that they are very involved with every aspect of the league. One of the members gave me this book and it was worth the read and I have since given copies to 2 other commissioners that I travel with frequently. I will use many of the techniques from Blount's book and I'm positive that our overall experience will improve. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Could be Better, Could be Worse By JohnThe book is actually much smaller than it was made/ listed at (160 pages are actually about 80) because the lines are double-spaced and the font is a slightly larger 12 instead of the normal 11 or 10. It does offer some good ideas related to being a commissioner: putting together a constitution/ rule book, scoring, settings, draft, managing issues, etc. However, this book could've and should've offered quite a few more ideas (creative, original or borrowed with source cited) than it did/ does. Worth \$10 for the good thoughts it offers for new commissioners but don't expect a comprehensive-type book. Yes, it has a few good ideas but with a little extra effort and creative thinking by the author it should have offered a lot more. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Bored with standard fantasy leagues By punky lemons Being a fantasy football player for nearly a decade I have noticed a decline in innovative ideas. This "commish" definately has an outside the envelope thought process. The idea of combining both an auction and a serpentine into one draft is genius. I get so tired of going to drafts and having guys basically using a top 200 sheet and all members drafting in step. Such a bore. This authors draft ideas along with 16 team league ideas is definately not for the rookie fantasy player. This book will hopefully induce commishioners to be more creative in their league drafting and scoring. I know the league I am in will be in for a surprise when they find out the new draft wrinkles I will be implementing. I also find it refreshing to know that as I grow older I am not as weird as I thought, I too celebrate "draftmas". I have never heard it called that before, but the sentiment is just the same.

This book offers thoughtful contemplation of all the major features of the game. With the goal of improving the overall experience, the author brings unique perspective to the designs of familiar portions of fantasy football such as trades, free agents, scoring and roster setups including strategies for avoiding common pitfalls. But there are also sections devoted to comparatively overlooked areas such as sportsmanship, strategies for change, cultures of individual leagues and ancillary contests. The author furthermore infuses his distinctive proposals for unconventional designs in fantasy football schemes and rules and explains in detail the various expected benefits. Finally, separate sections are devoted to explaining a revolutionary new concept for blending serpentine and auction drafting as well as a checklist for writing your league's rulebook.

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