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First, a word of explanation. What the Diplomacy hobby needs is a rating system. Not just another rating system like the DTRS, CPC or MCPC systems, but one which is current, up-to-date and published in a timely manner. To this end I present the Sampson Totally Awesome Rating System, or STARS.

STARS is a cumulative point-count system, similar to the CPC and MCPC systems, only points are awarded on a decimal basis: 1 point for a win, .5 points for a share in a 2-way draw, .33 points for a share in a 3-way draw, etc. Points are awarded to individuals who win or draw in both original and standby positions. In order to be included in the STARS rating, a game must satisfy 4 criteria One, the game must be assigned a Boardman Number. Two, the results must be published in EVERYTHING, the official publication of the Boardman Number Custodian (BNC). Three, the results must not be noted as 'irregular' in any manner by the BNC. Lastly, at least 5 game years must have been completed (through F05).

STARS is a current rating system. By that, I mean that only the most current 5 years worth of games will be included in the STARS system, the initial period being 1979-1983. Thus, all games designated 1979xx through 1983xx will be included. When the first 1984 game result is published in EVERYTHING, all 1979 games will be dropped from the STARS system. In this way, STARS will always represent current performances in the Diplomacy hobby.

One final word regarding STARS. This is not a fly-by-night rating system, here today and gone tomorrow. STARS is here to stay. It is without a doubt the most up-to-date rating system around, reflecting current performances in the hobby. STARS will always be published in a timely manner, following on the heels of EVERYTHING. This issue includes all games published in EVERYTHING through this summer's issue, #56. Publishers may feel free to reproduce the STARS Top 100 listing in any manner they see fit, I have presented it in a one page format to this end.



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TOP 100 STARS TOP 100 STARS TOP 100 STARS TOP 100 STARS TOP

1	8.53	Kathy Byrne	52	1.53	George Cunningham
2	7.50	Jack Masters			Garry Hamlin
3	5.53	Dave Carter	54	1.50	Kevin Tighe
4	3.75	Don Ditter			Dave Claman
5	3.67	Bob Osuch			Bryan Jurkowski
		Dan Stafford			George Leritte
7	3.50	Greg Haskew			Bruce Linsey
		Fred Townsend			Steve McLendon
9	3.37	Dick Martin	60	1.33	Don Blasland
10	3.33	Bill Becker			Bob Bragdon
11	3.16	Walter Blank			Vic Carpenter
12	3.08	Lee Kendter Sr.			John Daly
13	2.98	Keith Sherwood			Dave Grabar
14	2.92	Ron Brown (USA)			Ken Iverdson
		Bill Hart			John Kevern
16	2.83	Al Pearson			Eric Kirchner
17	2.75	Arturo Guajardo			Vern Schaller
		Paul Rauterberg			Don Swartz
19	2.58	John Horn			Eric Verheiden
		Doug Landon	71	1.25	Dave Bunke
21	2.50	Tim Burton			Gary Coughlan
22	2.40	Ron Kelly			Steve Langley
23	2.33	Gordon Argyle			Terry Tallman
		Jack Frost	75	1.20	Larry Chafetz
		Tim Haffey			Bob Olsen
26	2.28	Bern Sampson			Tom Thornsen
27	2.25	Doug Beyerlein	78	1.17	Gene Boggess
		David Ezzio			Mark Fassio
		Jack Fleming			Mike Mazzer
		Peter Fuchs			Glenn Sherrill
		Robert Kraus	82	1.00	Mike Brophy, Bill
		Tom Ripper			Bryg, Robert Cheek,
33	2.16	Bob Sergeant			Gary Carson, Mark Cummings,
34	2.08	Gary Howe			Blair Cusack, Johan DeKleer,
35	2.00	Kerry Blant			Al Dudderar, Roger Dunnell,
		Russ Rusnak			Bill Gosvenor, Tom Graessle,
		John Stewart			Jim Grosch, Rick Griffin,
		Tom Swider			Tom Henthorn, Al Hoffman,
		Tom Williams			Tom Hurst, Art Italo, Stan
40	1.83	Kevin Kozlowski			Johnson, Doug Karnes, Rick
		Jim Lawniczak			Kassel, Dan Kuszynski,
		Bill Schiwautz			Peter LaRocco, Walter Loy,
		Jim Williams			Russell MacKechnie, Bernie
44	1.75	John Kador			Oaklyn, Peter Odo, Bill
45	1.67	Uli Baumeister			Radonich, Ira Rosen,
		Jim Meinel			Steve Rose, Hector Roybal,
47	1.58	Russel Blau			Jack Schneider, David
		Phil Cooper			Smith, Darrell Stevens,
		Paul Goodrich			John Strain, Pierre
		Stephen Lee			Touchette, Dave Weatherhead,
		Rick Ragsdale			Constantine Xanthos, Richard
					Young, Bill Young,
					John Zipper.

.25	Afflerba, Chuff	.25	Cochran, Mike
.20	Aicken, John	.25	Combs, Kevin
.67	Albrecht, Jeff	.50	Conlon, Patrick
.33	Alden, Brian	.75	Connor, Mike
.25	Allen, Mike	1.58	Cooper, Phil
.50	Anderson, Michael	.67	Corbin, Ken
.50	Anderson, Ralph	1.25	Coughlan, Gary
.20	Angel, Ben	.50	Crawford, Michael
.67	Ansoff, Peter	1.00	Cummings, Mark
2.33	Argyle, Gordon	1.53	Cunningham, George
.67	Arnawoodian, Steve	1.00	Cusack, Blair
.50	Arnett, Bob		
.83	Austin, Gerald	1.33	Daly, John
		1.00	DeKleer, Johan
.50	Baker, Ken	.50	Ditter, Dave
.33	Baker, Robert	3.75	Ditter, Don
.50	Barno, Mike	.45	Drakert, Bill
1.67	Baumeister, Uli	1.00	Dudderar, Al
.33	Beck, Mary	.50	Dunn, James
3.33	Becker, Bill	.53	Dunn, Jerome
.50	Belliveau, Richard	1.00	Dunnell, Roger
1.00	Berch, Mark		
2.25	Beyerlein, Doug	.33	Eaton, Charles
3.16	Blank, Walter	.25	Edwards, Chris
2.00	Blant, Kerry	.25	Edwards, Brian
1.33	Blasland, Don	.33	Elliott, Mark
1.58	Blau, Russel	.33	Ellis, Randy
1.17	Boggess, Gene	2.25	Ezzio, David
.25	Bottger, David		
.25	Bowen, Derwood	.25	Fields, Dave
1.33	Bragdon, Bob	2.25	Fleming, Jack
1.00	Brophy, Mike	.50	Flower, Brian
2.92	Brown, Ron (USA)	1.17	Fassio, Mark
.50	Brown, Ronald (CAN)	.25	Ford, Paul
.25	Brown, Tim	2.33	Frost, Jack
.83	Brownfield, William	.50	Frye, Patrick
1.00	Bryg, Bill	2.25	Fuchs, Peter
.33	Buëchs, Bob		
1.25	Bunke, Dave	.50	Ganson, Charles
.50	Burnett, Thom	.25	Gardner, Sam
2.50	Burton, Tim	.50	Gareipy, Dave
.50	Byrne, Charles	.50	Gautron, Claude
8.53	Byrne, Kathy	.20	Giddings, Al
		1.58	Goodrich, Paul
.83	Cameron, Scott	.50	Gosselin, Bob
1.33	Carpenter, Vic	1.00	Gosvenor, Bill
1.00	Carson, Gary	1.33	Grabar, Dave
5.53	Carter, Dave	1.00	Graessle, Tom
.83	Caruso, John	.50	Gray, Jim
1.20	Chafetz, Larry	1.00	Griffin, Rick
1.00	Cheek, Robert	1.00	Grosch, Jim
.50	Chilcott, Mark	2.75	Guajardo, Arturo
1.50	Claman, Dave		

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2.33	Haffey, Tim	1.00	LaRocco, Peter
.25	Hamill, Jeff	.53	Larzelere, Mark
1.53	Hamlin, Garry	1.83	Lawniczak, James
.25	Harmon, Leland	.16	Ledder, Glenn
2.92	Hart, Bill	.33	Lee, Kai-Fu
.33	Hartman, Mike	1.58	Lee, Stephen
3.50	Haskew, Greg	.50	Lehto, Neil
.33	Hayman, Clyde	1.50	Leritte, George
.50	Heinowski, Steve	.70	Lew, Mark
.50	Hendricks, Roy	1.50	Linsey, Bruce
.33	Henry, Lu	.33	Lorber, Brian
.33	Henry, Mike	1.00	Loy, Walter
1.00	Henthorn, Tom		
1.00	Hoffman, Al	.16	MacFarlane, John
2.58	Horn, John	1.00	MacKechnie, Russell
2.08	Howe, Gary	.83	Mainardi, Tom
.50	Hugh, Bill	.58	Marshall, Dave
.50	Hunter, Don	3.37	Martin, Dick
1.00	Hurst, Tom	7.50	Masters, Jack
.25	Hyatt, Fred	.58	Mathias, Dan
		1.17	Mazzer, Mike
1.00	Italo, Art	.33	McCaleb, Ian
1.33	Iverdson, Ken	.33	McCarty, David
		.16	McCloud, Larry
1.00	Johnson, Stan	.50	McKnight, Ralph
.58	Jones, Jerry	1.50	McLendon, Steve
.33	Jones, Mike	.25	McLeod, Fraser
1.50	Jurkowski, Bryan	.33	McMillen, Tom
		1.66	Meinel, Jim
1.75	Kador, John	.75	Mercer, Keith
.50	Kane, Eric	.33	Michal, Jon
1.00	Karnes, Doug	.50	Michalski, John
1.00	Kassel, Rick	.25	Mills, Michael
.67	Keller, Mark	.25	Mooney, Kevin
2.40	Kelly, Ron	.25	Moraitis, Anna
.58	Kendall, Keith	.25	Morgan, James
.33	Kendter, Lee Jr.	.33	Myers, Lanny
3.08	Kendter, Lee Sr.		
.25	Kerstetter, Bob	.58	Nichols, Ned
1.33	Kevern, John	.50	Nielsen, Bill
.50	King, Allen	.67	Noto, Jeff
1.33	Kirchner, Eric		
.33	Kluge, Bob	1.00	Oaklyn, Bernie
.33	Koehler, John	1.00	Odo, Peter
.50	Kovalcik, Rick	.50	Ohlendorf, Dave
1.83	Kozlowski, Kevin	1.20	Olsen, Bob
2.25	Kraus, Robert	.25	Osborne, Debbie
.33	Kurtz, Marcus	3.67	Osuch, Bob
1.00	Kuszynski, Dan		
		.75	Pack, John
.25	Lancaster, Stuart	.25	Palter, Dan
2.58	Landon, Doug	.50	Parker, Vern
1.25	Langley, Steve	.25	Paulson, Gene
.20	Lariton, Michael	.20	Payne, Steve

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.50	Peacock, Robert	1.25	Tallman, Terry
2.83	Pearson, Al	.33	Tatsh, Doug
.50	Peth, Scott	1.20	Thornsen, Tom
.33	Pfohl, Dietmar	1.50	Tighe, Kevin
.25	Pierce, Dave	.50	Tinker, Don
.50	Poppe, Sharon	.50	Torkelson, Kevin
.20	Pugh, Russ	1.00	Touchette, Pierre
.25	Pyfrom, George	3.50	Townsend, Fred
.83	Quinn, Bill	.25	Trembley, Arnold
.25	Quinn, Jon	.33	Tucker, Denise
		.25	Tuharsky, Joe
1.00	Radonich, Bill	1.33	Verheiden, Eric
1.58	Ragsdale, Rick		
2.75	Rauterberg, Paul	.25	Walters, Jake
.45	Reese, Peter	.20	Warfel, Doug
.83	Reynolds, Clark	1.00	Weatherhead, David
.83	Richmond, Jeff	1.83	Williams, Jim
2.25	Ripper, Tom	2.00	Williams, Tom
.50	Roaldi, Robert	.33	Wilson, Brad
.25	Rohde, David		
.50	Ronderos, Al	1.00	Xanthos, Constantine
1.00	Rose, Steve		
1.00	Rosen, Ira	1.00	Young, Bill
1.00	Roybal, Hector	1.00	Young, Richard
.33	Rudesell, Richaed		
2.00	Rusnak, Russ	1.00	Zipper, John
2.28	Sampson, Bern		
.50	Sauve, Leonard		
1.33	Schaller, Vern		
.75	Schilling, Ben		
1.83	Schiwautz, Bill		
.50	Schleinkofer, Art		
1.00	Schneider, Jack		
.33	Schroyer, Henry		
.25	Schuetz, Karl		
.50	Schwartz, Norm		
2.16	Sergeant, Bob		
.58	Service, Alex		
.33	Shelton, William Jr.		
1.16	Sherrill, Glenn		
2.98	Sherwood, Keith		
1.00	Smith, David		
3.67	Stafford, Dan		
.33	Stark, Anthony		
.33	Stevens, Bobby		
1.00	Stevens, Darrell		
2.00	Stewart, John		
1.00	Strain, John		
1.33	Swartz, don		
2.00	Swider, Tom		
.25	Szauter, Paul		