

# 1953 BROOKLYN DODGERS

*"The Boys of Summer"*

105-49 1st

MGR Chuck Dressen (#7)

**DP: 311 to 335**

**Error: 351 to 354**

	BA	SB	W/K	HR	T	D	L	R	RNG	Def.		
Gil Hodges #14	.302	1		131	134	151	256	255	AR	SD(1B)	1B127, OF24(LF/RF)	R R
Jim Gilliam "Junior" #19	.278	21	PW MK	112	122	141	246	246	AAR		2B149	B R
"Pee Wee" Reese #1 capt	.271	22		115	122	136	246	244	AAR	SD	SS135	R R
Billy Cox #3	.291	2	MK	121	122	142	256	252	AR		3B89, SS6, 2B1	R R
Carl Furillo "Reading Rifle" #6	.344	1		123	126	155	313	312	AR	T-1	OF131(RF)	R R
"Duke" Snider #4 Edwin	.336	16		133	134	156	265	311	AAR	SD/T-1	OF151(CF)	L R
Jackie Robinson #42	.329	17	MK	115	122	145	265	265	AAR	T-1	OF76(LF), 3B44, 2B9, 1B6, SS1	R R
Roy Campanella "Campy" #39	.312	4		135	136	155	263	261	AR	SD	C140	R R
Bobby Morgan #2	.260	2	PK	122	124	135	243	242	AR		3B36, SS21	R R
George Shuba "Shotgun" #8	.254	1		116	121	144	236	241	AR		OF44(LF)	L R
Wayne Belardi #5 #11	.239	0	PK	133	136	144	232	234	AR		1B38	L L
Don Thompson #29	.242	2		111	-	122	232	235	AR		OF81(LF/RF/CF)	L L
"Rube" Walker #10 Albert	.242	0		121	-	143	232	235	SLO		C28	L R
Dick Williams #38	.218	0		122	-	134	225	225	AR		OF24(LF/RF/CF)	R R
Bill Antonello #32	.163	0	MW PK	115	124	133	166	165	AR		OF25(LF/RF/CF)	R R
Carl Erskine	.215	0	MW	-	-	115	226	224	SLO		P39	R R
Russ Meyer	.147	0	MW PK	-	-	113	164	161	SLO		P34	B R
Billy Loes	.125	0	MW	-	114	122	153	153	SLO		P32	R R
Johnny Podres	.306	1	MW MK	-	-	-	256	256	SLO		P33	L L
Bob Milliken	.118	0	MW PK	-	-	131	153	151	SLO		P37	R R
Ben Wade	.167	0	MW PK	123	-	-	166	166	SLO		P32	R R
Joe Black	.235	0	MW PK	-	-	-	235	232	SLO		P34	R R
Jim Hughes	.286	0	MW	-	-	-	255	251	SLO		P48	R R
Pitcher R	.110	-	MW PK	111	-	113	153	145	SLO			
Pitcher L	.110	-	MW PK	111	-	113	145	146	SLO			
	<b>ERA</b>	<b>IP</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>GS</b>	<b>SV</b>					
Carl Erskine #17	3.54	247	136	561	39	33	3	.215	R R	"Oisk"		
Russ Meyer #34 #48	4.56	191	133	621	34	32	0	.147	B R			
Billy Loes #30	4.54	163	133	626	32	25	0	.125	R R			
"Preacher" Roe #28	4.36	157	125	622	25	24	0	.053	R L	Elwin Charles		
Johnny Podres #45	4.23	115	145	565	33	18	0	.306	L L			
Bob Milliken #25	3.37	118	135	616	37	10	2	.118	R R	"Bobo"		
Clem Labine #41	2.77	110	131	632	37	7	7	.071	R R			
Ben Wade #46	3.79	90	135	563	32	0	3	.167	R R			
Jim Hughes #18	3.47	86	143	616	48	0	9	.286	R R			
Joe Black #49	5.33	73	134	616	34	3	5	.235	R R			
Ralph Branca #13 +	9.82	11	136	633	7	0	0	.000	R R	"Hawk"		
Ray Moore #48	3.38	8	145	622	1	1	0	.000	R R	"Farmer"		
Glenn Mickens #46	11.37	6	146	566	4	2	0	.000	R R			

*The Brooklyn Dodgers outdid themselves in '53 by leading the National League with a .285 batting average, 208 home runs, 955 runs scored, 1,529 base hits, and the highest win total they ever achieved. Many of the star players have now reached their prime and the numbers show it: "Duke" Snider (42 homers, 126 RBI, 132 runs, 198 hits); N.L. MVP Roy Campanella (41 home runs, 142 RBI, 103 runs scored); and Gil Hodges (31 dingers, 122 RBI). Jim Gilliam, the N.L. Rookie of the Year, was a big contributor, too: 17 triples, 168 hits, and 125 runs scored. Jackie Robinson hit 12 homers, drove in ninety-five, and scored 109 times...The pitching staff was third in the league with a 4.10 ERA. Carl Erskine topped the staff with a 20-6 W/L record, 187 strikeouts, 16 complete games, and four shutouts. Russ Meyer was next with a 15-5 record; Billy Loes won thirteen and "Preacher" Roe ended the season with eleven wins...In the Fall Classic, the Dodgers and Yankees split the first four games, each team winning at home. "The Bronx Bombers" would win the final two contests to send Dodger fans into a long winter wondering if "Dem Bums" would EVER BEAT the Yankees. The Dodgers hit a nice .300 in the series: Billy Cox hit .304, Carl Furillo .333, Gilliam .296, Snider .320, Hodges .364, and Campanella .273 with a homer. Gilliam, the rookie, hit two of the eight Dodger homers. Brooklyn was outscored 33-27 by the Yanks...After their seventh defeat in World Series play, Dodger brass decided Chuck Dressen would not return as manager in '54.*