

## Ticket stubs alone have little value



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Every so often I am asked if there is value to ticket stubs, or even unused full tickets. In short, the answer is no.

The only instances in which ticket stubs or unused tickets are of value is if they are related to significant events, and only if they are auctioned with other related items. A ticket stub to, let's say a game in July 1962 has no value, except to the owner of the stub. (Maybe going to the game was a birthday gift.)

However, a ticket stub to a game of historical significance, for example, Game 7 of the 1960 World Series between the New York Yankees and the Pittsburgh Pirates, would have some value. If you combine the ticket stub from that game, with a program from that game, newspaper clippings, and a team-signed ball of the 1960 Pirates, then you have a nice package, worth a minimum of \$500. Of course, the value will depend on the condition of the items, especially of the baseball, and if there happened to be a bidding war on that lot.

In case you might have forgotten, Game 7 of the 1960 World Series was the one in which statistically the Yankees dominated, but the Bucs won the Series on a walk-off homer by Bill Mazeroski.

If someone has the entire unused ticket of a particular event, not merely the ticket stub, the value goes up a bit, but not dramatically.

Sometimes I am asked about tickets of games that were never played. Huh? That's right. Take for example, a situation in which Major League Baseball asks the Cardinals to print

tickets, in case they played in the World Series. However, if they never made it to the Series, those printed ticket are nice souvenirs with no value.