



Tiger Talk



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Coming up:

Event	Date	Venue	
Practice	Mon 28/03/16	Metrovicks	& each following Monday until the end of the season
Batting Practice	Wed 30/03/16	Metrovicks	& each following Wednesday until the start of the season
Team Social Do	Fri 15/04/16	City centre	
Friendly ?	Sun 17/04/16	Metrovicks	TBC ???
FIRSTBALL	Sat 23/04/15	Parrs Wood	
FIRSTBALL	Sun 24/04/15	Parrs Wood	
1 st League game	Tue 26/04/15	Parrs Wood	<i>And each Tuesday from then on...</i>

Team Lineup: Firstball (23rd & 24th April)

M: Dan, Dave, JD, Rob, Steve G., Tony, ?

Poss: Steve A.

F: Annie, Caroline, Emma, Louise, Luisa, Sandra, TK, (Chloe – Sun)

Cost £20 a person (£10 a day).



How things work (mainly for rookies):

Evening practice

From next Monday (28/03) we will have our main weekly practice session at Metrovicks each Monday evening. As some people come straight from work (so turn up early) with others joining in later on there will be batting practice for the early birds with the formal practice session starting c.6.30 – if you can't make it until later don't worry just come along when you can. The session will finish by 8 (or earlier if get gets dark !), though if people want to we may have additional betting practice after the main session for those that want it once the days get long enough.

Each week until the season starts there will also be a secondary session on the Wednesday evening – if you can only do one session try to make it the Monday one, but the Wednesday session will be there for the ultra-keen and those who can't make the Monday sessions.

League games

League games take place on Tuesdays at Parrs Wood High School, (see the team website for directions). The first weekly league game is on 26th April, and the season carries on until the end of August. Games start at 7, you should aim to be there on the pitch by **6.30** so we can warm up. If you are already aware of weeks when you won't be able to play, or other restrictions on your availability – let me know. Games will cost £5 (£3 for Juniors), you can pay either in advance or on the night. Emma has volunteered to collect the money on the night.

The weather and cancellations

ALWAYS assume that practices and games are **ON** until you specifically hear otherwise – it doesn't take long for the weather to change, it can be hammering down at 6 and fine at 7. This is especially true for league games, if the other team turn up and we don't they get the points and we have to pay both team's match fees – so it's important to turn up.

What you need to do about availability:

For **league games** I assume that you **are** available unless you let me know otherwise. For **tournaments** I assume that you are **not** playing unless you tell me that you are. Every week I will write round showing everyone's availability for the next 2 weeks. **YOU** need to check your own availability and let me know of any mistakes or updates. For ALL team games, if you realise you won't be able to play, or find you are running late or realise that you may be delayed then you **MUST** let me know **ASAP**.

Dave

Informal Games on Wednesday nights ?

It looks likely that we'll have a large number of men in the squad this season. To get people more game time I'm looking at running games at Metrovicks on Wednesday evenings and inviting other teams to join in (I'm aware of other teams who are in a similar situation). The games will be free for Tigers but there will be a small charge for other players. If we are going to do this I need to know that there's enough interest to make it worthwhile, so please think about whether YOU would be interested in playing, for those weeks when you are in the team on Tuesday and also in those weeks when you don't play in the league. More about this soon !





Subscriptions:

Annual subs are £35, £15 for juniors. Please pay up **ASAP** ! *IF you think that you HAVE paid but are not listed below then speak up !*

PAID: Andy, Annie, Dan, Dave W., Emma, JD, Luisa, Michael, Rob, Sandra, Steve, Stewart, TK

Match fees will be £5 a week, £3 for juniors.

Tournament Dates for your diary:

23 & 24 April **Firstball**
25 & 26 June **Leeds**
30 & 31 July **Manchester**
24 & 25 Sep **Sefton**

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