



Tiger Talk



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Coming up:

Practice Mon 16/05/16 Metrovicks
 @ Colt 45s Tues 17/05/16 Pitch 3
 Practice Mon 23/05/16 Metrovicks
 Phoenix Tues 24/05/16 Pitch 9

Batting Leader board

<u>On base percentage</u>	<u>(M)</u>	<u>On base percentage</u>	<u>(F)</u>	<u>Home Runs</u>	
Steve G.	818	Emma	917	Steve A.	1
Dave	818	Annie	700	Dan	1
Dan	615	Helen	583	JD	1

OBP = On Base Percentage = hits + walks / plate appearances. (It's not a hit if another runner is **FORCED** out on the play).
 Minimum of 10 plate appearances needed to feature in the OBP figures .You also need to have played in 1 or more of the last 4 games.



10/05/16 Hurricanes W 13-28 (5, Mercy)

The Tigers started strongly in this game, posting an 11 run first innings and, despite the odd defensive wobble never looked in serious trouble after that. For the second week in a row we improved in the as the game went on.

Emma (5 for 5) and JD (4 for 4) each batted 1000 and with several others going 3 for 4 it was a good night at the plate for the whole team. We backed up our good batting with some intelligent base running that put pressure on the opposition throughout. Dan and JD both hit Home Runs.

In the field Dave pitched another good game. TK looked a natural at short stop, Emma took a couple of nice catches, Rob looked solid at first and the Downes boys were energetic in the outfield.

MVPs were TK and JD.

Hurricanes	0	6	3	3	1	13
Tigers	11	3	2	6	6	28



Tournaments

If you want to play in any of these tournaments please put your name down ASAP.

25 & 26 June	Leeds
30 & 31 July	Manchester
24 & 25 Sep	Sefton



On Base percentage explained

On base percentage is a way of measuring how successfully a batter is performing at the plate. To calculate OBP you add up the number of successful at bats a player has had and divide that by the total number of times a batter has come up to bat. This number is expressed as a 3 (or 4) digit "percentage". If you have not been out at all you are said to have batted 1000, if you got on base successfully 3 times out of 4 you have batted 750 and so on, all the way down to 000 !

A successful at bat is one where the batter gets on base without getting themselves or anybody else out, (i.e. you either get a hit or a walk). If another player is *FORCED* out on the play you are not credited with a hit. You can still get credit for the hit if the runner is tagged out (e.g. they overrun the base they are going to). There was an example of this in this week's game when TK got the credit for a successful hit even though Steve was out on the play at 2nd when he came off the base and was tagged as he tried to return.



Team Shirts

If you are interested in getting a team shirt, or hat, **let me (Dave) know ASAP**. I'm currently chasing round to try and find a suitable design for **£20** or less, it would help to have numbers. If you haven't ordered one before I would also need a size, a name for the back, and you can pick a number (if it hasn't already gone). If you aren't too worried which number you have I will allocate one. I am trying to find a shirt with some orange trim that (sort of) matches the ones we had last year but we may end up with plain black. The shirts will be marked up in a similar way to the shirts we have had in the past but with the team logo on the front:



I'm happy to do the work to source shirts **BUT** it's only worth doing if people are going to buy, so do let me know if you want one !

Friendly v's the Rippers

I was chatting to Bruce on Tuesday and we are going to try and fix up some kind of friendly game in the next couple of weeks, with the idea of giving people a bit more game time.

He has a big squad and so do we (even if some of ours is injured atm !) - indeed it would also allow those who are a bit crocked to play without having to both bat and field.

We can either do it on a Wednesday or Thursday evening or on Sunday afternoon. Let me know if you have any strong preference either way - once I have an idea which day is most popular I will send out a couple of possible dates.

