

Tigers Yearbook 2025



The year in review

Off season

There weren't that many squad changes over the winter. Matt decided to retire, Tash didn't fancy Division 1, but the rest of the team was much the same, though injuries and pregnancy meant Caroline, Holly and TK were only destined to play minor roles in the year to come.

Division 1

Division 1 was always going to be tough and injuries made it even tougher with guests featuring in the team nearly every week. Finishing bottom wasn't a surprise and there were a couple of morale boosting wins towards the end of the season.

Tournaments

Teams played under the Tigers name at Firstball and Manchester but they were less than 50% rostered Tigers players so aren't covered.



Division 1

30/04/25 Tigers @ Mayhem L 13-24

A guest heavy Tigers team featuring a couple of once familiar faces in Annie Downes and Mike Miah stayed in the game for the first half of the game but the runs dried up in the 2nd half whilst Mayhem continued to score and won going away. Mike Miah was our one Home Run Hero.

MVPs Anissa and Oli

Tigers	3	2	7	1	0	0	0	13
Mayhem	6	1	5	3	3	6	X	24



07/05/25 Tigers v Meerkats L 18-38

No problems scoring runs this week but stopping the opposition proved more of a problem. Rich G did an impressive job as pitcher under trying circumstances. He (4 for 4) also shared the OBP lead with Harry (3 for 3). Rich also hit a pair of Home Runs with Oli also claiming a pair of four baggers.

MVPs Nadia and Rich G

Meerkats	3	14	17	4	38
Tigers	2	4	4	8	18



14/05/25 Tigers @ Thunder L 6-30

Another one sided affair that only lasted the minimum number of innings. Ed, Rich T. and Anissa, all 2 for 2, shared the OBP Lead. Ed and Rich also hit 1 Home Run apiece.

MVPs Anissa and Ed

Tigers	0	2	4	0	6
Thunder	4	14	12	0	30

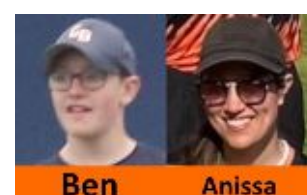


21/05/25 Tigers @ Thunder II L 33-35

Tigers were 14 nil up at one point (actually 16 but the runs weren't added up correctly on the score sheet) but some familiar defensive frailties showed themselves again and we went down to a high scoring but narrow defeat. Home Run Heroes were Anissa and Ben Acton with one apiece. OBP leaders Oli and Rich G each went 7 for 7 with Anissa and Bailey close behind (6 for 7) on a night where neither side seemed to regard fielding as a priority. Despite all the runs we only hit one Homer, with Rich G. again the man responsible.

MVPs Anissa and Ben Acton

Tigers	7	7	1	3	4	6	5	33
Thunder	0	7	5	7	9	7	X	35





28/05/25 Tigers v Mavericks L 11-30

Tigers fell behind early, had a limited rally in the middle innings but then were made to suffer in the top of the 7th. Rich G again led the way with the bat, going 4 for 4 and recording our only Home Run.

MVPs Sara and Oli

Mavericks	7	3	0	4	2	3	11	30
Tigers	1	0	0	2	6	0	2	11



04/06/25 Tigers @ Sharks L 18-28

This was close for a long time with the Tigers in a 1 run lead after 5 innings but a 14 run bottom of the 6th from the Sharks killed the game as a contest.

There were lots of good batting performances. Bailey, Nadia, Rich G, Simon and guest Laurie all went 4 for 5 and Rich and Simon were the Home Run heroes with one apiece.

In the field highlights included Harry putting in another promising performance at second whilst Bailey made some good plays at 3rd, Oli took some nice catches in right centre, Ed worked hard at shortstop and TK was as reliable as ever at first.

MVPs were Harry and TK

Tigers	0	8	0	3	4	2	1	18
Sharks	2	6	4	1	1	14	X	28



11/06/25 Tigers v Camels L 3-20

Camels were really impressive defensively in this game but we kept their scoring under control throughout the game.

OBP leaders were Simon and Harry who each went 4 for 4. In the field Oli and Harry were both good in the outfield, Ed made some nice plays at 3rd and Anissa did a good job at short stop.

MVPs were Oli and Anissa

Camels	0	2	4	5	1	2	6	20
Tigers	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	3



18/06/25 Tigers v Mayhem L 1-29

A Home Run can be a thing of beauty, complete in it's own right. Something worthy of celebration regardless of anything else that might surround it! (<https://youtu.be/MW5WjaQCRjU>)

Rich G did a fine job on the mound, Sara and Oli took a couple of nice grabs in the outfield. Simon went 2 for 2. Everyone worked hard and the sun shone. Nobody died.

MVPs were Rich G and Sara

Mayhem	10	4	7	8	29
Tigers	0	0	0	1	1



25/06/25 Tigers v Meerkats L 9-24

Meerkats won 9 games on the bounce in NSL play last weekend and they won this one too but they were made to work for the win by a Tigers team that put in a spirited performance.

Sara took some nice catches in left field and might have had more if Harry hadn't muscled his way in, Rich G. put in another strong pitching performance and Anissa did a lot of good work at short stop. Rich T made a welcome return from injury and celebrated with a home run, Oli also claimed a 4 bagger but Rich G. topped that by claiming two of them.

MVPs were Rich G and Sara

Tigers	2	0	1	2	4	9
Meerkats	0	9	0	4	11	24



02/07/25 Tigers v Thunder L 11-19

Tigers are doing it tough at the moment with injuries and other absences making it a struggle to actually get a team onto the pitch but that didn't prevent us putting in a battling performance against the league leaders with Thunder being pushed into a mid game reshuffle after falling behind in the third inning. Thunder gradually pulled away in the 2nd half of the game but they were made to work hard all the way through to the final out.

OBP leaders were Simon, Anissa and the two Riches who were all 3 for 4. Simon was the Home Run Hero with a 2 run blast in the 2nd inning. Rich G pitched another good game and the whole team worked hard in the sun. Thanks to guests Nikki and Evie for turning out in our of need and Nima also rallied to the cause playing her 2nd game of the season.

MVPs were Simon and Anissa

Thunder	6	3	0	3	0	5	2	19
Tigers	1	3	7	0	0	0	0	11



09/07/25 Tigers v Thunder II L 15-33

At times it looked like this game wouldn't happen but Holly's return from injury to play her first game of the season plus a couple of guests meant that we had a full team of players. Everyone worked hard and there was some good batting at times but in the end Thunder II had a few too many good hitters and ran out deserved winners over what at times was a nervous looking Tigers team.

In the field the stand out performer was guest Nikki in right centre who made some nice catches. Nima also worked hard at 2nd base. Simon and Oli showed their flexibility by alternating between short stop and pitcher. OBP leader was Simon who went 4 for 5. Home Run Heroes were Ed and Simon with 1 apiece, Simon's being a Grand Slam. Season debutant Holly went 3 for 4 and Nima looks better every time she plays.

MVPs were Oli and Holly

Thunder II	8	3	2	13	2	5	33
Tigers	0	5	3	5	1	1	15





16/07/25 Tigers v Mavericks L 8-23

This game was nip and tuck until the Mavericks got on a roll in the bottom of the 5th and put up a game winning big inning. The lob sided nature of the final score shouldn't overshadow what came before though and there was lots to like in this Tigers performance.

OBP leaders were Sara and guest Michelle who each went 3 for 3. In the field Rich G both pitched well and fielded his position well. Harry did a fine job in left centre with some nice catches, Nadia was tidy at first base and Anissa worked hard at short stop.

The Tigers injury curse struck again with Holly suffering a quad pull as she headed for first in the 2nd inning. The injury didn't stop her making a nice tag play at home in the 4th that deprived Sherry of a Home Run.

MVPs were Michelle and Harry

Tigers	2	4	0	2	0	8
Mavericks	1	5	2	1	14	23



23/07/25 Tigers v Sharks W 14-13

A win at last, a win at last, Glory Hallelujah a win at last! The Tigers started playing in 2011, so some of us have been waiting a long time for this, a division 1 win, It was good that one of the players that played in that first ever Tigers league game, Ed, was on the field to enjoy the moment. The game itself was nip and tuck for a long time, tied at 5 all half way through the 5th, but then a six run bottom of the inning gave us a lead for the first time in the game. The Sharks clawed most of those runs back in the top of the 6th but three more runs in the bottom of the inning gave us enough, just enough, breathing space to nail the game down, the final out being a fine catch in right by guest Kerry with the tying run on 2nd base.

It's been a slog at times this season, some bad performances, some good ones where we looked competitive for large parts of games but couldn't quite close the deal but now at last a fine performance that got the job done.

In the field Simon pitched a fine game, Nadia did a good job at first, Harry showed how much he has kicked on in the outfield, Ed put in a fine performance at 2nd and Oli had perhaps his best ever game at short stop. Everyone else also contributed to what was a fine team performance.

There were lots of good performances with the bats with the OBP leaders Harry (5 for 5), Rich T. and Ed (both 4 for 4). No home runs but then home runs aren't the be all and end all and it was base hitting that brought home the bacon.

Thanks to guests Michelle and Kerry for playing their part in the win.

MVPs were Nadia and Rich T

Sharks	1	3	1	0	0	4	4	13
Tigers	1	2	2	0	6	3	X	14





30/07/25 Tigers @ Camels L 3-18

One big half inning, the bottom of the 2nd decided this game giving the Camels a large lead they never looked like losing. In the field the Camels were efficient and the Tigers struggled to put runs on the board.

The Tigers put in a lot of hard work but there's a big difference between the top teams in division 1 and the rest and it showed in this game. Batting highlight was Rich T's 2 triple in the top of the 2nd that drove in 2 runs.

MVPs were Anissa and Oli

Tigers	1	2	0	0	0	3
Camels	4	9	1	2	2	18



13/08/25 Tigers @ Sharks L 7-22

One big half inning, the top of the 5th decided this game after 4 innings where there was very little between the teams.

In the field everyone worked hard, not helped by a rock hard slightly uneven infield. Highlights included Anissa's fine catch of a hard line drive at 3rd in the 2nd and a nice running over the shoulder catch at 2nd from Simon in the 4th.

OBP leaders were Oli and Rich T who each went 3 for 3. Home Run Hero was Rich G with a solo shot in the top of the 3rd. Bailey made a welcome return from injury.

MVPs were Anissa and Oli

Sharks	4	1	2	0	10	5	22
Tigers	0	2	1	1	0	3	7



20/08/25 Tigers @ Mavericks L 1-21

After a quiet first inning the Mavericks started scoring heavily and this continued for the remainder of the game. At the same time their efficient defence kept the Tigers scoreless until the 4th inning.

The Tigers worked hard but the gap between the two teams was a wide one.

OBP leaders were Ed and Bailey who each went 2 for 2. TK's return to action was marred by a recurrence of her leg problem. Guest Josh was energetic in the outfield and Bailey did a good job on first covering after TK had to move to catcher.

MVPs were Bailey and Josh

Tigers	0	0	0	1	3
Mavericks	1	7	8	5	18



27/08/25 Tigers v Thunder 2 W 24-11

Runs, runs and more runs, the Tigers have struggled to score at times this season but there were plenty of runs in this friendly game that had a very end of season feel to it.

Thunder 2 weren't at their best defensively and the Tigers took full advantage. Anissa, Bailey and Simon all hit home runs with Rich T going one better and claiming a pair. The OBP lead was shared between Oli, Bailey, Ed, Sara Rich T and Anissa who all went 4 for 5. The whole team were efficient in the field.

The fading light brought an early end to the proceedings and after a sometimes trying season it was good to end the league campaign on a high.

MVPs were Rich T and Anissa

Thunder	1	4	1	0	5	11
Tigers	7	6	4	5	2	24

Game called for bad light



Tigers Division 1 results

Date	Vs	Result
30 th Apr	Mayhem	L 13-24
7 th May	Meerkats	L 18-38
14 th May	Thunder	L 6-30
21 st May	Thunder II	L 33-35
28 th May	Mavericks	L 11-30
4 th Jun	Dodgy Sharks	L 18-28
11 th Jun	Camels	L 3-20
18 th Jun	Mayhem	L 1-29
25 th Jun	Meerkats	L 9-24
2 nd Jul	Thunder	L 11-19
9 th Jul	Thunder II	L 15-33
16 th Jul	Mavericks	L 8-23
23 rd Jul	Dodgy Sharks	W 14-13
30 th Jul	Camels	L 3-18
6 th Aug		
13 th Aug	Dodgy Sharks	L 7-22
20 th Aug	Mavericks	L 1-21
27 th Aug	Thunder II	W 24-11

Players Statistics

	App	PA	OBP	HR
Ed	12	38	684	2
Harry	15	54	648	
Oli	15	56	518	3
Rich G	11	42	738	9
Rich T	12	46	674	4
Simon	15	52	635	4
Anissa	15	56	464	1
Bailey	10	40	550	1
Caroline	2	8	3/8	
Holly	3	8	4/8	
Nadia	13	47	362	
Nima	3	11	273	
Sara	12	39	513	
TK	7	23	217	

Batting champions



Home run champions

