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A few random 2019 notes as we set sight on Elk steaks and Redbirds gear...

Hitting really does win championships:

Team	Overall Ranking	Hitting Points Ranking	Pitching Points Ranking	
Redbirds	1	1	5	Enough pitching to stay on top
Senators	2	3	2	Great balance
Wahoos	3	4	3	Another balanced team
Monarchs	4	2	7	Not enough pitching
Bums	5	9	1	Bolstered by #1 pitching points
Skipjacks	6	5	4	Needed one or the other to be +
Bombers	7	6	8	2020 – Year of the Bombers!?

Or is it stolen bases?

Team Stolen Base Leaders	Season Ending Rank	Stolen Bases
Redbirds	1	170
Bombers	7	139

Nope!

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Redbirds	1	170
Bombers	7	139
Cubs	10	136
Blues	13	130

Maybe rethink the SP draft strategy?

Team	Season Ending Rank	SP drafted in first 12 rounds	Pitchers
Cubs	10	1	D Price

Blues	13	2	C Carrasco, J Taillon
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On a personal note, Monarch draft reaches:

Player	Round	Season-end Position Ranking
Chris Archer	9	96 (SP)
Randall Grichuk	12	34 (RF)
Adam Frazier	13	24 (2B)
Cody Allen	16	374 (RP)

Don't leave ABs on the bench:

- League average points per AB was .91
- League average ABs for the season was 7282

Let's compare two teams to see the impact of maximizing ABs:

	At Bats	Pts/AB	Total Hitting Pts
Team A	7586	.91	6931
Team B	6756	.97	6538

Team A trailed Team B in Pts/AB by nearly 7% but by maximizing ABs they led Team B in total hitting pts by nearly 6%

Here's another scenario:

	At Bats	Difference in ABs
Team C	7407	
Team D	7090	-317

Let's say Team D maximized his ABs by adding less than league average hitters (the FA dregs), maybe they average only three-quarters of the league average Pts/AB and score at .68 per AB. Let's also say that Team D simply matched Team C in ABs. So, the math is $317 * .68 = 216$ pts. Those 216 additional points would have meant the two teams flipped in the standings, with Team D moving ahead of Team C.

Anywhooo... that's all I've got for you Brethren. GBR. Go Hawks.

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