



## Match Report

**15 December      Home      Newmarket Development      Won 15:10**



### Team

#### *Starting Line-up*

- 1) Stuart 'Booey' Cracknell 2) Jack Cowley 3) Steve Waight
- 4) Dave 'Ken' Cook 5) Tom Wykes
- 6) Chris 'Ginger Chris' Leith 7) Chris 'Glove' Milne 8) Daniel 'Ginger Dan' Leith
- 9) Stuart 'Fabio' Faben 10) Andrew 'Baz' McKay
- 11) Reg 12) Ben Powell 13) Josh Coughlan 14) Eddie 'Billbob' Murphy
- 15) John 'JB' Bateson

#### *Replacements*

- 16) Dave Steward 17) Chris 'Psycho' Edwards 18) Jonathan Burch

### Report

Following on from a lot of heavy rain on Friday, the sun shone, yet again, as Renegades gathered to face Newmarket – a team almost unrecognisable from the team played at the beginning of the season. The breeze was light and conditions were ideal.

Following kick off Renegades established camp in the Newmarket 22 for the first 10 minutes, in fact during the first half we spent little time in our own half. Credit has to be given to the Newmarket defence, especially in the centre. Despite coming close several times there appeared to be little likelihood that the line would be crossed.

Steve again ensured that the scrum was strong and Booey continued to show how much he has grown as a player. However the lineout was a different story, it was as dysfunctional as a teenager on Christmas rum! In addition to this Baz's laser boots had gone missing as the ball flirted with the posts but no points came.

The wingers were seeing the ball. Reg looked like lightening, Bill Bob seemed to have developed the inside pass. This didn't stop the birthday boy being mullered a couple of times, his leprechaun's surrender hanky was soon bloodstained and unsuitable for display dancing.

Fortunately Baz did slot one penalty in the half meaning Renegades took a three point lead into the break.

The second half was a different story. Newmarket came out strong and determined. Their aim was to steal and retain ball, this they did. They also ran strongly. Somehow it had all changed. Two tries, one from an excellent kick and chase gave them the lead. They would go on to rue the missed conversions, as well as some missed penalties as Renegades frequently infringed.

What happened in the last ten minutes will go down in Renegades folklore and everybody who was there will remember those six hundred seconds. Glove always leads by example but following a quick ruck and turnover ball he shown his gazelle like heels to everybody, surging inside a drifting Newmarket defence to score. Baz soaked up the pressure and it was all square.

A draw would have been a fair result but from the kickoff the ball was gathered. Confidence was high and the ball went right and left through the hands. Suddenly a rapid movement left saw everybody hoping for the unbelievable, with hands in the air and hope in their hearts Renegades and fans began to believe. Jack forgot his glass ankles and scored on the right. The kick was irrelevant, time was up. Baz missed but this didn't stop a huge celebration.

The Renegades had played their get out of jail card. You had to feel for Newmarket but it was Bill Bob's birthday, the win was his present!

### Scores

Try: Chris 'Glove' Milne, Jack Cowley

Conversion: Andrew 'Baz' MacKay

Penalty: Andrew 'Baz' MacKay



Reg for his outstanding running, tackling and adventurous play.



Billbob for the state of his hanky.

*Report by Flora*