

Renegades Rugby



Match Report

13 December

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Haverhill

Lost 19:31



Team

Starting Line-up

Old Tom, Harry Cowley, Boeey, Russ A, Bev, Fabs, Little Ginger, Big Tom, Mark (Cambourne), Steve Marsh, Dave Steward, Tom Heathcote, Richard Cowley, JB, Jake Sweet

I have not put positions down as we had at least three different scrum halves during the game as well as hookers and full backs

Replacements

Four injured players looking on offering encouragement throughout (think that's what they call it).

Report

A cold sunny day as the fifteen men of Cottenham Renegades took on the might of Haverhill and their numerous spectators. I don't know what happened for their score as I only just arrived to see a conversion going over 0-7. I was slightly concerned to see Richard Cowley on the wing or anywhere in the three quarters but that didn't have much significance at this stage of the game as both sides kept it tight.

A tight game suits the Renegades and both sets of forwards had a desire to match each other but one of their three quarters spoilt the fun and went over for a converted try (0-14). From the restart Gades kept pressure in the opposing half and came away with a penalty from Fabs, another followed quickly 6-14, the tricky opposition three quarter then scored another try visibly helped by a knock on, (try being a referee not as easy as you think). Gades responded with another penalty and at half time, adrift 9 – 19 but not out of it even with just the 15.

The second half as far as I could tell with the sun blinding everybody on my side of the pitch was evenly fought with Haverhill continually kicking into our half, pressure told as an amusing clearance from our stand in winger went backwards and they pounced to score, shortly after they got another one (9-31). But the do or die Gades fought back with a line out and maul with 12 players going over from 20 metres out, Bev being the beneficiary, low and behold 10 minutes later the same again and Bev again starts to climb the top scorers chart. The final score 19-31. A gutsy performance against a team that trains twice a week.

Cup update: University scratched against Sawston. March 28th Semi final at Sawston. Sawston have yet to play a game in the competition

Scores

Tries: Rob 'Bev' Bevington (2)

Penalties: Stuart 'Fabio' Faben (3)



All fifteen but particularly "Booey" for keeping a renowned scrummager quiet the whole game.



Sorry but Richard Cowley for the attempted clearance and Bev for going over the top of the ruck against Cambridge

Report by Shaun Clark