



## Match Report

October 7

Away Cantabs 2

Won 41:10



### Team

#### *Starting Line-up*

- 1) Stuart 'Booey' Cracknell
- 2) Ren Pesci
- 3) Jamie Cohen
- 4) Aaron Stevens
- 5) Tom Wykes
- 6) Tom Procter
- 7) Ollie Witt
- 8) Tom 'BFT' Powell
- 9) Dan Stockbridge
- 10) Andrew 'Baz' MacKay
- 11) Tom Cowley
- 12) Stuart 'Fabio' Faben
- 13) Tom Heathcote
- 14) David Fletcher Morris
- 15) Rhys Stephens

#### *Replacements*

- 16) Rolando Pesci
- 17) Eddie 'Billbob' Murphy

### Report

As the team gathered at Cantabs, it became apparent that the abundance of players anticipated earlier in the week was not available as three players had to drop out. However, it was a good team that took to the field with Rolando and Billbob as spares.

Cantabs kicked off and the game began with high energy put in by both sides. It wasn't long before a lineout in the Cantabs 22 saw Dan feed Baz who popped to a charging Fabs. There was no stopping him and he touched down near the posts leaving a simple conversion for Baz, 7-0.

Cantabs came back and attacked hard. Renegades began to give away penalty after penalty and eventually Tom Procter was awarded a yellow card because of the frequency of Renegades infringements. Despite the pressure and being a man down, Renegades withstood the Cantabs pressure and Tom came back on for no loss of points.

A penalty saw Baz kick deep into the Cantabs half, the return kick was caught by Baz who dodged through a small gap and made a huge run approaching the Cantabs 22. A penalty gave him the opportunity to add three points, 10-0.

Ollie stole the ball from a Cantabs player and the ball went through quite a few hands before finishing back with Ollie who scored in the right-hand corner. Baz made the challenging conversion look simple, 17-0.

A Renegades lineout fed the ball to Cantabs and they made the most of the opportunity with some good hands to score in the left-hand corner. The conversion missed, 17-5.

A while later Tom Cowley went on the blind side of a ruck in the Renegades half and ran half the length of the pitch before offloading to Dave who had come off the other wing in support. Dave was chopped around the neck as he approached the line causing the referee to award a penalty try, 24-5.

As half time approached, an opportunity was spotted by Baz on the right side. He spun a beautiful long pass to Ollie who made yards before offloading to Dave (on his own wing this time). This time Dave managed to cross the line and touch down without being assaulted. Another challenging conversion was slotted by Baz, 31-5. That's how the score remained at the interval.

Renegades kicked off the second half and play ebbed and flowed for some time with neither team getting the upper hand. A kickable penalty was awarded to Renegades but missed to Baz's annoyance. A couple of minutes later, another penalty for a high tackle on Tom W was straight through the posts, 34-5.

Renegades increased the pressure and remained camped in the Cantabs 22 for some time with dogged defence keeping them from the line. Eventually a 5m scrum paid dividends with BFT picking up from the back of the scrum and spotting a gap under the posts, went through it to score with several Cantabrigians hanging off him. Baz again slotted the conversion, 41-5.

Booey came off with BFT moving to the front row, Dan going to 8 and Rolando coming on at 9. A couple of minutes later, Cantabs managed to break through and score under the posts. Their conversion came back off the posts, 41-10.

Heartened by the try, Cantabs began to string some threatening moves together with some very impressive running and hands. At one stage they looked certain to score but a fantastic tackle from Baz halted them.

A few minutes from the end Billbob came on for Dave and that's where the notes end. Final score 41-10. It was a great performance by Renegades. The score was harsh on Cantabs who played well and never gave up.

Looking forward to Cambridge on the 21<sup>st</sup>.

### Scores

Tries: Stuart 'Fabio' Faben, Ollie Witt, David Fletcher Morris (2), Tom 'BFT' Powell

Conversions: Andrew 'Baz' MacKay (4), David Fletcher Morris

Penalties: Andrew 'Baz' MacKay (2)



Ollie for immense skill and energy.



Baz for whinging about team mates talking behind him when he missed a penalty (his only miss of the game to be fair)

Match report by Eddie 'Billbob' Murphy

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