

# Renegades Rugby



## Match Report

April 28

Away Bury St Edmunds 3

Lost 24:31



### Team

#### Starting Line-up

- 1) Tom 'BFT' Powell 2) Ren Pesci 3) David 'Amish Dave' Hirst
- 4) Adam Richards 5) Aaron Stevens
- 6) Dan 'Stockers' Stockbridge 7) Ollie Witt 8) Chris 'Machine' Machen
- 9) Rolando Pesci 10) Andrew 'Baz' Mackay
- 11) Dave 'Capt. Dave' Morris 12) Stuart 'Fabio' Faben 13) Tom Heathcote 14) Will Blackwell
- 15) Ross Catchpole

#### Replacements

- 16) Callum Wilkins 17) Ben Powell 18) John JB Bateson 19) Tom 'Old Tom' Wykes

### Report

This match report is sketchy as it is based entirely on the tweets from the game (thanks Shaun).

It was a wet and miserable day for the final of the plate and Old Tom's testimonial. He has served the club heroically for a decade in sunshine and rain, but the good Lord chose to remind him of the rain.

Not long after kickoff, high but try-saving tackle from Ross gave Bury a penalty 5m from the Renegades line which they mauled over to score. The conversion missed, 0-5. This was followed shortly by another 5m penalty which led to a try in the other corner. This time the conversion was good, 0-12. Missed tackles were a feature.

Renegades attacked but an intercepted pass saw Bury increase their score to 0-19 with another converted try. Renegades made some changes with Callum coming on for Ren and Ben Powell replacing Machine who damaged his shoulder. The Bury 13 gets a yellow for numerous penalties.

As half time approached Renegades upped the pressure and with five minutes to go, an opportunity was lost to poor handling. However, a scrum was taken against the head and after a couple of phases Ross opened the Renegades account and Baz added the conversion which was not an easy one, 7-19. That's how it remained at half time.

Early in the second half a Bury offside was punished by Baz. Another penalty resulted from a high tackle on Ross but it missed. Later another penalty was taken quickly and saw Ollie score in the corner with Baz adding the conversion, 17-24. The game was back in play!

Fabs had to come off injured and Old Tom had a HIA (which he passed and came back on). Ross applied some of his magic to score under the posts giving Baz ad Easy conversion, 24-24. The closing minutes were going to be tense!

Bury attacked. They won an easy penalty, but the tension must have go to their kicker because he missed. Into the last five minutes. Renegades advanced but then the Bury full back got the ball and scorched 60 yards through the Renegades to sore a try which was converted, 24-31. This was a cruel end to the Renegades comeback. There was no answer and a couple of minutes later the final whistle blew.

A win would have been sweet, but it was a great performance by Renegades in the second half.

### Scores

Tries: Ross Catchpole (2), Ollie Witt

Conversions: Andrew 'Baz' Mackay (3)

Penalties: Andrew 'Baz' Mackay



Ross Catchpole for tries, defence and all-round work



Ren for his intercepted pass

*Match report by Eddie 'Billbob' Murphy*

*Pictures by Peter Haigh (for the full set of pictures see [Peter's Flickr Page](#))*





