



## Match Report

March 19

Away

Haverhill

Lost 17:26



### Squad

- 1) Stuart 'Booey' Cracknell
- 2) Richard 'BTW' Fickling
- 3) Chris 'Psycho' Edwards
- 4) Doug Smith
- 5) Dan Tiezzi
- 6) Terry Hills
- 7) Olly
- 8) Stuart 'Fabio' Faben
- 9) Rolando Pesci
- 10) Andrew 'Baz' MacKay
- 11) Lloyd Smart
- 12) Ben Powell
- 13) Tom Heathcote
- 14) John 'JB' Bateson
- 15) Tom Cowley

### Replacements

Eddie 'Billbob' Murphy

### Report

It was president's day at Haverhill and they had really pushed the boat out. The assembled crowd (always impressive at Haverhill) was even larger than normal and in good voice. The teams were welcomed onto the pitch by a guard of honour comprised of young Haverhill players. It was all very well done.

The game went well for Renegades from the start. A kickable penalty opportunity went just wide but was shortly followed by another which Baz slotted over 3-0. Ten minutes into the game and Ben got the ball and proved unstoppable scoring a fine try which Baz converted with style (10-0). It was a dream start for Renegades. However, Haverhill had other ideas and trailing by 10 points, they raised their game and began taking the game back to Renegades.

The dream start came to an end after 17 minutes when Haverhill opened their account. They began to dominate the set pieces, particularly the scrum making it very difficult to give quality ball to the backs. The pressure was maintained and the second try arrived with a sense of inevitability just before half time. The score remained 10-12 at the interval.

Not long into the second half, Haverhill struck again with a converted try (10-19). However, Renegades had more in the tank and a quick break from Baz in the Renegades 22 saw him run to half way where he offloaded to Ben, who then ran the other half of the pitch, breaking some tackles to

score under the posts. Baz converted. Was this a comeback? Sadly not. Haverhill, now enjoying complete dominance of the scrum, came back at Renegades and the almost inevitable next try duly arrived. It was converted (17-26) and there the scores stayed until the final whistle.

It was a fitting outcome for the Haverhill president's day. It was a lesson in how hard rugby can be when the scrum and lineout do not deliver clean ball. It was a combination of a very effective Haverhill pack together with an unusual pack configuration for Renegades.

Scores:

**Tries:** Ben Powell (2)

**Conversions:** Andrew 'Baz' Mackay (2)

**Penalties:** Andrew 'Baz' Mackay



Ben P for two tries, Baz for great kicking and brilliant break to set up the second try and Terry for hooking for the first time and living to tell the tale.



No doughnuts



Stuart 'Booey' Cracknell (you had to be there)

(Biggest Banana)

*Match report by Eddie 'Billbob' Murphy*

