



Match Report: Winchester Vets v Overton

Date: 20 October 2007

The village side travelled down to Winchester for a friendly game that was arranged at the last minute due to a previous cancellation. Overton was confident going into the game on the back of two very good victories in the league. Winchester Vets however were the first to score from an early penalty. From the restart, Overton applied pressure and kept Winchester pinned in their half. A few missed opportunities to score due to handling errors gave Winchester the chance to attempt to clear their line. Overton maintained the pressure and a well worked move in the backline saw Alan Cornell offload to Adam McLeod who was able to cut through the gap created, burst through two tackles and score Overton's opening points. Conversion missed. Overton maintained the pressure and good tactical kicking kept Winchester in their half. In the last minute of the half, a loose maul was formed which enabled James Smith-Jones to pick up and cut through the Winchester defence and score. Williams added the extra 2 points. Half time score 12-3.

Overton came out of the blocks very slowly after the break and suffered a score against the run of play in the early minutes, 12-8. From this point Overton regrouped and in the next fifteen minutes provided 4 more tries, the first try was from a good lineout take from Joe Smith down to James Smith-Jones out to Daniel Williams who held the defence only for Adam McLeod to come on the outside shoulder and score his second try. Conversion scored 19-8. Straight from the restart the Overton forwards applied pressure to the tiring opposition, Salmon, Plows and Pinchy powering through the defence only for the youthful Sheppard, McLeod, and somewhat older Sullivan to quickly create space for Carl Marchment to make way down the touch in for two tries, conversion hit 33-8. Overton then created many more chances only to see the final pass go forward or a slight knock on, despite this Overton rallied for one more try and what a beaut it was. Quick ball from Barton out through all the hands in the backs for Woods to score in the corner, Conversion missed, Final Score 38-8

Team: Plows G, Pinchy R, Salmon C, Smith J, Worsnop S, Shepard M, Sullivan P, McLeod A, Smith-Jones J, Williams D, Cornell A, Baker J, Woods M, Clark D, Marchment C

Substitues: Cornell R, Barton D – all used

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