

ONA Rugby Match Report 2013

Saturday 11th January 2013 1pm

Result: Newburians (ONA) 27 - St Bartholomew's School 1st XV 7

Newburians (ONA):

Tries: Tarquini, Eastman, Monger, Davis

Conversions: H Dodridge (2)

Drop Goals: J Barlett (1)

St Bartholomew's School 1st XV:

Tries: (1)

Conversions: (1)

On a freezing cold day with sleet blowing across the pitch a good crowd turned out to support both sides at the first team pitch of St Bartholomew's School.

The start saw the St Bart's gain some ground as an over zealous ONA team were offside on a number of occasions. The School applied pressure close to the try line for several minutes winning a series of penalties but a break, one of many by Josh Bartlett, relieved the pressure on the ONA and the School would rue their failure to put any points on the board. The resulting pressure from the ONA pack in the corner led to an early ONA try to settle the nerves. (5-0).

The School were kicking to alleviate pressure and in order to cope with the conditions, but it led to a further try down the right wing. (10-0).

A strong ONA run led to space in front of the posts and Josh Barlett took full advantage by slotting over a well executed drop kick (13-0).

However the School were looking strong in the pack and sustained pressure on the ONA line led to them going over under the posts (13-7). This gave renewed hope to the School as the first half drew to a close. The School made a good start to the second half to win yet another penalty. But once again Josh Barlett made a strong run without serious challenge and the resultant pressure from the ONA pack led to a try which was well converted by Harry Dodridge (20-7).

The ONA were looking tired with several players receiving treatment for cramp as the School forwards continued to compete strongly. However they were now well on top and another try was added from the forwards to complete the comfortable ONA win (27-7).

All agreed this was a fine game of rugby played with spirit and determination in very difficult conditions.

Team:

Newburians (ONA):

Back Row: Tom Herrington, Josh Winfield, JC DeFraine, Tristan Telford, Jack Davis, Middle Row: Owen Reese, Lucas Keeling, James Monger, Josh Bartlett, Scot Wilson, Nathaniel Debney-Davies, Front Row: Harry Dodridge, Jack Crawford, Chris Sumner, Dom Tarquini, Jack Bennett, Tom Norman, Bradley Montague-Fowley