

## **“THE OLDEST FIXTURE IN THE WORLD PLAYS HOST TO THE DAVID BUNTING TESTIMONIAL”**

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2002: Blackheath IV 29 - 31 Guy's Hospital III.**

When the two oldest rugby clubs in the world (Blackheath being the **SECOND** oldest club in the world) come together it is always set to be a jovial affair but with eight subs and a birthday boy in toe, the Guy's boys were always going to enjoy themselves. To mark the occasion the 'Mighty Threes' regular captain stood down to the ageing birthday boy David Bunting, the last known player from the original fixture in 1857.

The Guy's boys played the game with finesse and charm throughout but at times a distinct lack of rugby talent. There were moments of brilliance and moments of syphilitic meltdown from both sides resulting in a game that could just as well have been settled with the toss of a coin. It was nip and tuck throughout settled only by a last minute try from our flame haired frenchman giving us a narrow two point victory against the leaders of the league above.

This event saw a mighty threes return for Chris Eggleton and the borderline schizophrenic Matt Blundell who managed to play number eight, full back, inside centre, fly half and half time tea lady all within the match before we booked him a bed in the maudslay on the way home. There were also a couple of very promising debut performances from the fresher Hasan and the third year Anand Goulabaglublahdah who has managed to keep himself quiet for the last two years.

Much frivolity followed and when the England squad made it two victories for the day we thought it fit to roll the **Game celebratiONs** throughout the team resulting in three jugs of vomit and an early night on various park benches and in a number of gutters across London.

“May the Mighty Threes.....ROLL ON!”

**TEAM:** Jeevan Jayaprakesh, James Tebby, Bala fresher, James Berry, Stephan Claridge (sub. Night Rider), Jeremy 'eternal fresher' Nettleton (sub Hasan fresher), Serge Neumand (sub. Jimbo Aird), Matt 'Spud' Blundell, David Bunting (capt), Emyr Humphries (sub. Andrew Prewet (sub. Billy)), Anand Ougladabagad, Chris Eggleton, Tom Fresher, Brad Fresher (sub. Kumar Goulabaglublahdah), Tim Seng and Duncan Austin played for the opposition.

**TRIES:** James Berry, Serge Neumand, Stephan Claridge, penalty try.

**CONS:** Emyr Humphries (3), Chris Eggleton .

**DROP GOALS:** Emyr Humphries