

‘GUY’S THREES EMERGE VICTORIOUS IN TOP OF THE TABLE CLASH!’

Saturday 26th October 2002: Shepherd Neame Kent League Metropolitan Delta: Guy’s Hospital III 14 – 5 Metropolitan Police Crusaders.

After three consecutive wins the undefeated Guy’s Hospital III were always going to face their toughest test yet against the only other undefeated team in the league this season, the metropolitan police. Prior to the game the younger Guy’s team didn’t appear to be phased by their opposition, notorious for their gritty hard line approach to the sport.

From the offset the metropolitan police appeared to have underestimated their opposition spending the first ten minutes on the back foot enduring some clearly unexpected pressure from a lively youthful pack and some agile runners in the backs. Unfortunately the Guy’s III didn’t manage to convert this impressive start into points giving the opposition the opportunity to settle and reassess our competence. From this point the game was closely contested throughout.

It was actually the away side who broke the deadlock first scoring after 25 minutes from a five yard scrum where a break down the blindside showed the Guy’s captain clash with his predecessor Tom Bevir allowing the police ball carrier to run over the line. Down for the first time this season the mighty threes response was rapid. The next five minutes showed a surge of pressure on the opposition line and after giving away two or three desperate penalties in defence the met police gave away a penalty try which was duly converted.

The score was poised at 7-5 for the majority of the rest of the game with both sides enjoying periods of dominance. As time ticked on the police became increasingly frustrated with their two point deficit and some little scuffles crept into the game, but the urge to punch James Tebby is one I fully understand. Despite many well worked attempts by the police they never looked like they would break through the Guy’s defence and as the game drew to a close one of our freshers Bradley Tiffin ran in a try to put the game beyond reach.

This impressive performance confirmed the ‘Mighty Threes’ as the team to beat in their league this season. Keep it up lads.

TEAM: James ‘Burns’ Read, James Tebby, Ed Fresher, James Berry, Joe Wood (sub. Stephan Claridge), James ‘Billy’ Hunter (Capt.), Serge Neumann (sub. Matt Reeves), Matt Ives, Nick Smith (sub. Duncan Austin), Jamie Gggrrrrrriffithhhhs, Brad Fresher, Sam Raynor, Manky Jim, Tom Bevir, Tim Fresher.

TRIES: Penalty try, Bradley Tiffin

CON: Jamie Griffiths (2) (and one shocking drop goal miss)