

# Academy Rugby Football Club

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## Academy 3XV v Civil Service 2XV

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On a glorious summers day at Roughfort, Academy 3 XV strengthened by a several players making their first outings of the season and with a few faces new to rugby met with Civil Service 2 XV .

The opening exchanges saw academy trying to play a high tempo open game with Backs and forwards handling the ball on the fast firm pitch 5.

The pressure on Service paid off when prop Trig Wilson wearing his new golf shoes bullied his way over for a try in the seventh minute. Out half ross Bryans converted.

In the 12<sup>th</sup> minute , Out half Bryans caught the Service defence napping when he chipped ahead and gathered his own kick to score

Academy were on top and went further ahead with penalty by Bryan after 20 mins.

Civil Service indiscipline led to their hooker being yellow card. This allowed academy to extend their lead with tries by centre Matt Nichol and Gav Braiden.

Halt time : Acad 3 27 – 0 CS 2

The Academy coach rang the changes at half time and brought on his novice 2<sup>nd</sup> Row pairing . and in a tactical a change moved his nominate front row replacement into the centre. IT added strong running power but sadly the passing efficiency of the backline was reduced.

Academy pressed on and used a more direct game using the power in the centre and Were able to add 2 further tries by centre M Nichol.to complete his hat trick.

Service made changes at halftime and made a couple of good line breaks but were unable to beat the scramble defence of Academy to score.

Academy backs then called a move which the coaches are trying to remove from the playbook and of course full back Braiden strolled through to score from 40 metres out. No, 8 Stewart Martin seized the opportunity to get his name on the score sheet by taking the conversion and swerved one in of the upright to complete the scoring for the day

Full time Acad 3 44 – 0 CS 2

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