

Academy Rugby Football Club

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UUC 3 v Academy RFC 3 13th September 2014

Academy run out of Steam

On a beautiful summer's day with no breeze and temperatures reaching the 20's on the north coast, academy ventured forth with some new faces in the team to meet a strong UUC 3 team. Academy were fearful of the students on a big pitch with a dry ball running wild.

They were correct in their fears, the students right from the kick off attacked moving the ball wide at every occasion and in the 3rd minute the students capitalised on a missed touch kick to run in a try in the right corner.

UUC 5 Acad 0

Academy took time to acclimatise and were getting back into the game when a scrum on the students 10 metre line wheeled and through 180 degrees and the referee allowed the student back row to pick and rampage in for a converted try under the stick in the 10th minute.

UUC 12 Acad 0

Academy tight forwards gradually got into the match and starting controlling the ball but Academy seem to panicked when they got into the red zone. Pressure told off and centre McNichol got academy on the score sheet with a penalty in the 16th minute.

UUC 12 Acad 3

Just when they looked to be in control another missed touch kick allowed the students to send a series of attacks which resulted in their centre scoring a converted try close to the posts

UUC 19 Acad 3

This galvanised Academy and they controlled the game for the remainder of the half. Constant infringements by the students in defence allowed McNichol to reduce the deficit with another penalty

UUC 19 Acad 6

Academy were on top and in the 37th min from a mid field scrum, a blind side break by a scrum half Warke give full back Phillips an opening from which he made a mazy run from the 22 to score a converted try beneath the posts.

Half time UUC 19 Acad 6

Second half started as the first half ended with academy on top but they became bemused when the referee keep penalising their dominant scrummage for technical infringements in students zone.

The students defended well and as the 3rd quarter came , the students launched an attack and a tired academy defence fell of tackles on the students No.8 and crashed in for a try in the 58 minute.

UUC 24 Acad 13

Academy again came back with the backs showing some neat training ground moves but they lacked the clinical poise to get the needed score.

The students again defended well and had the fitness to launch long range attacks ab[nd from one of these their prop stormed over for what was the decisive try of the which put the match out of Academy's reach in 74th minute

UUC 29 Acad 13

Academy kept attacking and even in the last minute the students made try saving tackle on the try line to stop academy left wing Devlin following another training ground move

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Aged Observer.