

# *Lowestoft and Yarmouth Rugby Football Club*



## **1<sup>st</sup> XV Match Report 13 February 2010**

CANVEY ISLAND - 22  
LOWESTOFT & YARMOUTH – 22

Lowestoft earned their first away points of the season against high flying Canvey. Canvey had not dropped points at home for nearly 2 years so it was no surprise that Lowestoft jumped for joy when the final whistle blew. Lowestoft set off on the long drive to Canvey with 4 changes to the side that beat Wymondham convincingly the previous week. Props Richard (shrek) Bristo was scaring sunbathers in Egypt, Wayne Nixon and Matt Howell were unavailable due to work commitments and Steve Powles made way for Jan De Sheigde in the back row.

Lowestoft started the game the slower and found themselves behind to a well finished try from a wayward kick from fly half Scott Nelson, Canvey missed the conversion but did manage a penalty 5 minutes later, 0-8.

Lowestoft started making some inroads with particular mention to Captain Marc Thomas who was a threat all afternoon. The forwards gave a good platform and were starting to make ground with some bulldozing runs from Jake Titterington and Chris Howe. As the pressure built Scott Nelson sold a dummy and went in under the posts with Lewis Davey converting, 7-8.

Canvey were on the score sheet shortly after with some sloppy defending in the backs division Canvey's large winger ran in from 40 metres unchallenged, 7-15.

Lowestoft responded well and centre Myles Antipoon ran in a superb solo effort from 70 metres evading tackles at will. Lewis Davey missed the conversion but was on hand 2 minutes later to add 3 from a penalty to send Lowestoft in to half time tied at 15-15.

The second half started badly for Lowestoft with the wind behind their backs Canvey pushed and came up with a converted try after some good work down the blindside, 15-22.

Lowestoft recovered almost immediately with some good lineout work by Simon Coleman and a couple of charges by the front row Lowestoft found themselves 5 metres from the Canvey line. The ball was recycled and Captain and man of the match Marc Thomas was on hand to score and Davey converted to tie the game 22-22.

The last 10 minutes was all played in Lowestoft's half with wave upon wave of Canvey

attackers. Lowestoft managed to hold on for what was a great result and the prospect of another trip to Essex next week to face Dagenham.

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