

Lowestoft and Yarmouth Rugby Football Club



1st XV Match Report 29 August 2009

Uckfield 19 Lowestoft & Yarmouth 24

L&Y made the long trip down to Sussex for this pre season friendly. Uckfield finished last season as runners up to National Junior Vase winners Brighton so a close encounter was expected.

The score line does not really reflect L&Y's dominance and some creative decision making from the man in the middle kept the home side within 5 points.

The L&Y forwards were always to strong for the opposition and the tries were all forward orientated as Mark Thomas (2), Chris Howe and Shaun Woodhouse all touched down.

New Kiwi signing Chez Bloxham fitted in well at stand off and soon established a link with Scott Nelson at inside centre. Bloxham converting 2 of the tries from out wide.

Making their full debuts were prop Richard Bristo and back row Callum Cashman. Both played extremely well with Bristo being made man of the match. Steve Powles also returned to the side after a 4/5 year absence and performed well.

Head coach Nelson was very pleased with the team performance and whilst certain areas and positions are still work in progress the squad for the opening league match is taking shape.

Competiton for starting places will be fierce this coming season.

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