

# *Lowestoft and Yarmouth Rugby Football Club*



## **2nd XV Match Report 23 January 2010**

Lowestoft & Yarmouth II 15 Wymondham III 17

The crowd at Gunton Park were treated to a pulsating fixture in what was arguably the best performance from 2<sup>nd</sup> XV all season. Alan Roberts took on the captaincy as a result of regular captain Lee Protheroe being called into the 1<sup>st</sup> XV squad.

This did not stop the team putting in a fine display of fifteen man rugby for the full eighty minutes, and if it wasn't for a late penalty L&Y would have got the win they deserved against a grizzly and experienced Wymondham side.

Both teams started as they meant to go on with young scrum-half Cameron Reid getting quick ball out to L&Y's pacy backline allowing Chris Fletcher among others to break the Wymondham line. However, Wymondham preferred to take advantage of the less experienced and slightly naive L&Y pack, with occasional territorial kicking from the no10.

From this style of play, Wymondham scored seven uninspiring points by forcing themselves over the try line and getting the easy conversion.

However this didn't faze the home side as they went straight back on the offensive and eventually menacing lock Adam Woodrow tore through several Wymondham players and scampered in for a remarkable solo effort. Unfortunately Chris Burt was unsuccessful in the conversion attempt.

L&Y had the feel good factor now and a lovely piece of play saw the ball travel down the line to winger Sam Jermy who managed to offload mid-tackle to Matt Kerry. He then popped to the giant Andy Chittenden to finish off a well worked score.

Wymondham played to their strengths though, and scored another forwards dominated try which was converted to set up a nail biting finale. Chris Fletcher continued to make great angled runs and this pressure culminated in substitute Pete Murkett going over to edge the home side into a 15-14 lead.

Once again though, the economical Wymondham engineered themselves into a kickable position and knocked over the penalty that ultimately won them the game. This was another encouraging performance from a promising side. Local rivals Beccles await in the next merit league match.

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