

OGRFC vs Old Glynionians RFC
Saturday 17th January 2015, Ewell
Report by Tom Sutton

It had been a month since OGRFC last played in Surrey Rugby 3, and they kicked off the second half of their season away at Old Glynionians. After the first 10 minutes you could tell that this OGRFC team hadn't played for a while and a few unforced errors gave Old Glyns the upper hand for the early stages of the game.

OGRFC needed to be patient and try not to force anything, which is exactly how the first points came about. **Luke Buckingham** made a very forceful run through the heart of the Old Glyns defence and setup the ball deep in their 22. After keeping the ball for several phases **Chris Hanson** saw a large gap out on the blindside wing, alerting **Alex Willis** to pass him to the ball and to score the easiest try Chris will ever score.

On the stroke of half time OGRFC doubled their lead to 10 nil, holding the ball for a number of phases and spinning the ball wide through the backs for **Tom Sutton** to touch down in the corner.

The half time talk was one of 'constructive criticism,' and everyone knew they were not at their best. Unfortunately the performance got worse at the start of the second half with Old Glyns scoring to make the score 10-7.

OGRFC managed to reassert their authority by scoring the next try and it was one of great individual brilliance. The backs spotted a mismatch on the wing and went to play the ball from inside their own half. **Will Grant** was in possession of the ball with 2 men out wide but sliced through a gap, and with only the fullback to beat threw an outrageous dummy to score the try of the day.

OGRFC managed to get the try scoring bonus point, and it was one of great reward for the forwards. They were on the front foot of nearly every scrum all day and their lineout game was just as strong. It was a lineout inside Old Glyns 22, setting up a catch and drive all the way to the line with **Tom Hickey** being the benefactor and grabbing the five points.

Old Glyns then came back with a try of their own which summed up OGRFC's day. With Old Glyns getting closer to the OGRFC try line, **Charlie Irons** turned the ball over very well, only for OGRFC to give the ball away cheaply immediately after, allowing Old Glyns to score and take the score to 22-14.

With 3 minutes to go, OGRFC just needed to see the game out, but managed to score a fifth try through **Will Grant** going over for his second try of the day. This turned out to be the last play of the game with the final score being 29-14. This was by no means OGRFC's finest victory of the season but they got the full 5 points, which was a good outcome given the Christmas break. As always, thanks to all those who came to cheer the boys on. OGRFC's next game is Saturday 7th February, when they will take on Old Rutlishans at the College.

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