

Sunday 10th October 2010

Camp Hill U15 0, DK U15 55

Forwards

- 1 Matthew Acaster***
- 2 Alex Brooks***
- 3 Joel Faux-Conduit***
- 4 Scott Fawkes***
- 5 Hayden Green***
- 6 Rhys Hamilton***
- 7 Ryan Healey***
- 8 Callum Kavanagh***
- 9 Patrick Keen***
- 10 Isaac Latham***
- 11 Matthew Mclaughlin***
- 12 James Wheeler***

Backs

- 14 Harry Bayliss***
- 15 Simon Gore***
- 13 Will Hancox***
- 16 Tom Jones***
- 17 Tom Parkes***
- 18 Ben Southall***
- 19 Dan Southall***
- 20 Will Squire***
- 21 Jack Taylor***
- 22 Jake Whitney***

It would be unfair to report on the Camp Hill game without reference to the previous Sunday when DK were at home to a very impressive Shrewsbury side. Played in monsoon conditions, the visitors to Heathbrook stamped their authority on the game from the start and ran up at least eight unanswered tries. DK were constantly under pressure in the backs and too often kicked away possession, resulting in effective counter-attacks from their opposite numbers. The home forwards competed throughout and the new recruits to the squad all had game time, gaining valuable experience against a very good team. (A detailed description of proceedings is not possible due to the writer's notes being reduced to pulp in the autumnal rains). Shrewsbury certainly gave the augmented DK coaching team something to think about.

A week later and a beautiful warm and sunny morning in Haslucks Green Road, Shirley, was the scene for the away encounter with Camp Hill. This took place on the wide open spaces of the first team pitch which looked to be in first class condition. In many respects, the match mirrored last week's encounter, but this time with Camp Hill being on the receiving end. Playing down the slope, the visitors started at pace and hardly eased up at all for the duration of the game. The forwards were dominant in the loose and at the set piece, delivering a plentiful supply of ball to the backs who

had space to move and made the most of it. Four players (Harry Bayliss, Rhys Hamilton, Jake Whitney and Simon Gore) bagged a brace of tries apiece and Ryan Healey added one on behalf of the pack. For the away supporters, this was a pleasure to watch with the whole squad contributing to a very satisfying performance after the previous week's defeat. Camp hill were rarely allowed the space to make any threatening moves and almost the only occasions when they looked to be close to scoring came from DK failing to clear the danger from a couple of missed penalty shots which landed infield. However, the defence held firm on both occasions.

The team are due to be at home next Sunday for the visit of Worcester.