



Rugby in Broadland-Great Yarmouth RFC Great Yarmouth

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Swaffham 1st XV – 15, Broadland – Great Yarmouth 1st XV - 10

Broadland- Great Yarmouth travelled to Swaffham last weekend in another close league match, in which the Yarmouth side could not quite cross the try line, despite a valiant, but ultimately unsuccessful late surge.

Injuries again forced a number of changes, but it was still an experienced side that took the field at Swaffham. Swaffham had most of the early possession, mostly gained from a disastrous start in lineout play from Broadland. Good territory from Swaffham was used to good effect and despite an excellent last ditch tackle from Full Back Jake Sewell, Swaffham managed to recycle quickly and score (unconverted). Broadland readjusted there lineout and immediately reaped the reward as Hooker Rye Bilyard was Connecting with Asa Morrison at the back with ease. Swaffham broke, made some good ground and with a short Maul scored, extending the lead to 10-0 at the break.

Broadland Captain Matt Beckett was forced to leave the match at half time with an injury and was replaced by Steve Watson. Centre Stacey Ledgerwood put Broadland on the Score sheet with a well taken long range Penalty. Swaffham did however put over another unconverted try to consolidate their lead. Broadland did not hold off on the attacking play and following some excellent work from Mark White, which created some space for Fly Half James Doggett to cut through the defence and score following a dazzling run down the middle of the pitch (Converted Lightfoot). Veteran Scrum Half Simon Ruddick came on, Marking his 250 1st XV appearance and immediately got to work bossing the forwards around the park. Broadland came so close to a score, when Ash lightfoot saw opportunity for a Cross field kick, Wing Joe Payne took the ball at pace and weaved down toward the goal line only to be dragged down short. Number 8 Adam Towfighi covered well over three quarters of the pitch to arrive in support, but was not able to take clean control of the ball, Broadland kept pushing for a winning score, but with Broadland in possession 10 meters from Swaffham's goal line the referee blew the final whistle much to the relief of the home side.

Tries Doggett

Con : Lightfoot 1 of 1

Pen: Ledgerwood

1st XV Team:

J.Sewell, J. Payne, A.Lightfoot, S. Ledgerwood, M. Scott, J. Doggett, P. Buckley M. Beckett (Capt) R.Bilyard, R. Gallie, S.French, J.Fogg, A. Morrison, E. Dixon. A.Towfighi

Replacements: S. Watson (40 mins) M.White (40 mins) S.Ruddick (55 mins)