

CARLISLE RFC

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Team: Colts (ie. 1st, 2nd etc)
Date: 5-9-09
Kick off time: 1pm
Match: Austin Friars v Carlisle Colts
Venue: Austin Friars
Won / drawn / lost: Lost
Result: 13 v 27
Half time score: v

Carlisle scores by:

SCORER	TRIES	CONS	DROPS	PENS
Steven Benson				1
Kyle Fisher	1			
Adam Robertson	1			

BRIEF REPORT OUTLINING HIGHLIGHTS OF THE GAME AND OTHER NEWSWORTHY COMMENTS:

Saturday 5 September
Austin Friars 27 Carlisle Colts 13

There are now excellent links between Friars and the Club, and were delighted to be offered the chance to open Friars newly relaid 1st XV pitch which was in excellent condition despite heavy rain the preceding couple of days. The Colts contained a few former Friars pupils, which no doubt added spice to what is always a keenly contested game.

With both teams using the as a warm up game the match was split into three 25 minute periods. The first period was largely dominated by Friars, whose backs were a constant danger. Friars included current Ireland U18 stand off Grant Connon in their line-up and he was influential throughout; finding a gap on seven minutes and jinking in for the first try which he also converted. Carlisle had the more impressive forwards, but lacked a cutting edge behind. Steven Benson and Connon traded penalties to complete the first periods scoring.

The second period saw the Carlisle forwards get on top, but not before that man Cannon extended Friars lead with his second try and conversion. The Colts by then had learnt to keep the ball away from their hosts back division and good ball retention and driving saw them control the second period, being rewarded with two tries of their own through Kyle Fisher and Adam Robertson, the latter an U16 in his Colts debut.

At 17-13 going into the thrid period the result was in the balance. But in the third period the Carlisle pack were unable to maintain their dominance and the Friars pack won enough possession to release the pressure and allow their backs to break out. Cannon extended the Friars lead with a penalty and their victory was confirmed with a Matthew Minnett try 5 minutes from time.

Altogether an encouraging workout for both teams as the prepare for the new season. When they combine post Christmas as one side for Carlisle Colts they could be a real force to be reckoned with.

Report sent in by: Phil Healy

Date: 28-9-09