

Sunday 6th January - [Away](#) Fixture



Chester U14's **27** versus **12** Northwich U14's



I must apologise to all players that having just started a new job, this Newsletter will be both shorter and later than normal, but the expected service should resume again in the next few weeks. As for the game:

It was the first game for both teams since the festive break, so with the extra kilograms filling the new Christmas boots Northwich again won the toss and elected to kick off. With a few first team players missing, the Northwich team were still highly impressive and pinned the strong Chester team into their own half for the first ten minutes, although Chester tackled well the Stags kept the ball alive and showed great technique in the mauls. However, as the game went on Chester's rucking proved far more superior and on regular occasions power-rucked to win back lost ball. The first unconverted score went to an excellent try from Matt Beesley (more later), but this was quickly overturned with two unconverted tries from the home team. With some targeted half time rucking reminders the Northwich team started the second half stronger and after two quick tries from both teams, with Chris Sheppard converting the excellent 'Chruke' from Luke Murray who ran half the pitch to score under the posts, the score stood at 17:12 to Chester. At this point the match was evenly balanced with both sides showing great defensive qualities with some brilliant all round tackling. With four minutes remaining, Northwich were pinning Chester down in their own half threatening to score, when Chester broke away to score a try, that was quickly repeated in the last seconds. The end score flattered the home side, but both sets of coaches recognized the closeness of the combat and were pleased with the excellent competitive spirit of the game. Well done to Chester.

'Tango' Moment of the Day: From a mid-field maul Sam Jones shipped the ball out to Chris Sheppard, Chris quickly shipped the ball to Josh Hall who passed on to Luke Murray, Luke was held up and expertly popped the ball to Matt Beesley. The quick hands had given Matt some room to run, he quickly side-stepped his opposite winger, and crossed over the half way line at great speed, with a Chester flanker and full-back still to beat Matt continued his run, his speed and strength was impressive with the try inevitable. The backs created the space, and Matt's individual effort warrants this week's TMD. Well done Mr.B!

RBS Spectators' Player of the Day: The speed of Matt Beesley, Steven Parry and Declan Woodward impressed and offers great potential for the future. However the top three RBS Spectators' selection: in first place was Chris Sheppard who again topped the performance; second place went to the highly committed Sam Clayton; with third place going to Simon Dale, with the extra turkey inside him, Simon gave his best performance of the season.



The Next Sunday Game

Sunday 13th January 2008 [Away](#) Fixture - meet at 10.00am at Ashton-on-Mersey Rugby Club (Directions Below)

PLEASE CONFIRM AVAILABILITY

Shirt with Club or School Tie ... and remember your kit!

Ashton-on-Mersey U14's versus Northwich U14's

