

MATCH REPORT



Masters Intraclub Game

DATE 22.6.2025

Rofe Park

Sunny and cold at Rofe this Sunday as the team were handed their new guernseys. A choice between the current HBE colours and the retro green top with orange sash. Perfectly cut shorts nice and high on the thigh perfect for sprinting and kicking goals.

After the photos we quickly got into action. Barts chasing a ball down with Danielle in hot pursuit. Raiff (who had a massive four quarters) gathered the pass and kicked towards the goal. After a scuffle the ball went through the tall posts with Will getting the last touch. That was his first of three for the quarter! Steve Wall was on the ball a lot and kicking goals too. Neil was kicking out from the goal square, accurately apart from the one effort where he kicked the big ball (being the world) before the Sherrin. He was tough enough to walk it off and Rofe's dealt with worse. In fact, it had to later on when Benny's right knee put a divot in it! Golfing etiquette would demand it be filled with sand from the bucket.

That wasn't Ben's only contribution. He scored a cracker from the right pocket. It was an acute angle and way out! Micheal was on fire too, kicking three from miles out. Clare notched a maximum and a behind, Ali was putting up some epic defence smothering the ball and making tackles. Danielle almost marked above her head but still managed to kick out of danger. The game was that close Steve Wall was bringing in technical stuff such as stay in the corridor.

Will added a fourth, and it would have been five but he unselfishly passed to Barts who couldn't miss from close range. Neil was busy in defence, often finding Adam, who would then gallop down the left and kick long to Fitzy. Luke kicked his first ever goal. He'll be needing boots for the big game! Well done, mate! Brendan and Toby were busy as usual. Brody put in a decent shift. Pete was right amongst it.

It was an exciting match with less than two goals in it all the way. The final quarter was meant to be more sedate with less soccering, but we have a bunch of players who can't help but go all in, so the tackles continued to fly in. The final score was 66-60. A great game and perfect trial for our first Masters match away to the North West Redbacks on Friday. I'm not sure they know what they're letting themselves in for.

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Player of the match (unofficial). Will. Four goals and an assist. Was all over it in the forward line. Played so well Steve stopped yelling at him. Sadly he started yelling at me instead. 'Stay in the goal square, Steve, get to the ball Steve, Stay a kick away from goal, Stevo' and finally 'can you kick a goal from there, Stevo?'

Courage award: Rofe Park. She got a good kick and knee in.

Well done umpires!