



Squad Report

Hurricanes Team Name	
U10s	
Opposition	
Eastbourne. Cranbrook. Lewes. Haywards Heath. Hove	
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Festival Report

What more could we ask for? Sunshine, sea air and a really well organised festival for which full credit must go to Hastings RFC. With the postponement of Crawley the previous week it was our first opportunity to see how our work on the training pitch would transfer to match conditions.

POOL MATCHES:

Game 1. Eastbourne. A good start to the first half with 2 tries scored by Heathfield. Eastbourne came back strongly after the break to score but Heathfield found their flow and ran in some strong scores from both the forwards and backs. Eastbourne were competitive to the end and played the game with great heart not necessarily reflected in the score line.

Result. Heathfield 6: Eastbourne 1

Game 2. Cranbrook. Having enjoyed a great joint training session two weeks previously the teams met with a great deal of respect on both sides. The recent

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Experience of coming up against the strength and power of Cranbrook's front row had led to an intense technical session for our forwards last week and the results showed. The Heathfield pack showed real commitment in the way they played the game and made the space for our backs to run. Again Cranbrook stayed very strong and competitive to the final whistle but another good result for Heathfield.

Result. Heathfield 5: Cranbrook 1

Game 3: Lewes.

Lewes were looking strong and well drilled all morning. With skill in their backs and power in their forwards they were always going to prove a challenge. Heathfields' defence needed to rise to the challenge and from the whistle our intention was to continually press forward and try to contain Lewes' attack whilst looking for opportunities to press our own. Our tactics proved a success but in common with all our opponents our old friends Lewes have skill and commitment in both their forwards and backs and were unlucky not to come away with a score.

Result. Heathfield 4: Lewes 0

GAME 4: Haywards Heath.

Although aware we were not facing their "A" team as such the strength in depth of the West Sussex Club means that you underestimate any 'Heath side at your peril and they were fielding some strong, physical players in their side. However with our confidence high from our first three wins our defence was again very strong and we took our attacking opportunities well.

Result. Heathfield 6: Haywards Heath 0

FINAL. Hove

The final saw us matched against our old opponents Hove. Also unbeaten in their group Bee Robinson's boys are always fully committed and extremely well drilled. Going in 1:1 at half time the second half saw the two well matched sides playing some fiercely competitive rugby but in the end the speed of Hove

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to the breakdown proved the deciding factor and they edged us out by 1 try for a well deserved win.

Result. Heathfield 1: Hove 2

Summary

An extremely well organised and enjoyable festival. Very high standards of play from all the teams present with some of the best and consistent refereeing we have encountered at a festival. Great sportsmanship on display from all the squads and coaches and a fantastic performance from the Heathfield squad.

Congratulations to both Hove for a well deserved victory and to Hastings for organising such an excellent event.

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