

Selkirk 2nd XV v Biggar 2nd XV

Selkirk 'A' looked for that elusive first win at home on Saturday, but once again a first win was not to be with Biggar 2nds winning the match 10-47. It took the travellers only half an hour to rack up 4 tries and secure their bonus point, with a Lewis Sanders try all to show for the Souters hard work. A further try for Biggar before half time brought proceedings to a close with the hosts trailing 5-33 at the interval. The second half started brightly for the Philiphaugh men. With the wind at their backs, utility back Guy Mallin scored a cracking try after some neat inter play from the backs to make the score 10-33. However that would be the last points on the board for Selkirk as the physicality of the Biggar pack started to dominate the field with the Burnbrae outfit scoring two more converted tries to complete the day's scoring with a 10-47 win. "Once more disappointed with the scoreline" said forwards coach Neil Darling after the game. "We work hard to generate good ball in our attacking play, but at the end of the day, we seem to lack that cutting edge. All credit to Biggar for their win which was richly deserved, but we should have got more out of the game with the amount of ball we had. Back to the drawing board with Boroughmuir 2nds away next week, which is a must win for us". Once again for Selkirk, Captain Liam Cassidy, Ruaridh Murray and Sam Clark showed up well in the loose, with winger Nathaniel Armstrong showing great pace throughout the game with some blistering runs and Frazer Wheelans continuing to improve after a long lay off. However it was Lewis Sanders who deserved his man of the match award with some tenacious tackling throughout, along with his attitude and commitment for the duration of his time on the pitch. Good wishes are also sent to prop Matthew Stanners who sadly had to leave the field with a suspected dislocated elbow.

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