**Football**

**Wakefield back to winning ways**

**Craven College 2 - 4 Wakefield College**

It was a fresh and cold afternoon after the long drive to Skipton but it was back to business in the league as Wakefield made it 2 wins on the bounce in the Yorkshire & Humberside league.

The game started evenly with both teams finding their feet in the early stages with Craven having the better of the chances. Once the Wakefield lads had shaken off their bus legs, they grew in confidence as the game went on and found their rhythm. Some great play in the middle of the park by Joe Clegg, Harrison Armitage and Kyle Godwin created a number of chances putting Craven on the back foot. It was only a matter of time until Wakefield took the lead with Sal Omar producing some great individual skill to beat the defenders and leave the keeper with no chance.

On top and bossing the game Wakefield let their concentration slip virtually straight from kick off with Craven responding to make it 1-1 just before half time.

As the second half started Craven tested the Wakefield back line but the back 5 (Vaughan, Mason, Wood, Arundel & Hardy) held strong and dealt with any threat the home side had. As Craven attacked Wakefield hit them on the counter with Matty Hainsworth slotting his first of the season home with a well-placed strike. With the lead once again and momentum with Wakefield, they continued to dominate for the rest of the game playing some outstanding football. Brandon Hardy notched his first of the campaign whilst Sal Omar of Travel & Tourism bagged his second of the game.

As the game was dying out Craven hit a wonderful strike to finally beat Vaughan again after making a handful of excellent saves but it wasn’t enough as the game ended 4-2 to Wakefield.

A great performance and team effort which puts us up to third in the league. Onwards and upwards to next week where we play current league leaders Notre Dam College with a chance to go level on points at the top.

**Team**

C Vaughan, B Hardy (1), J Mason, J Wood, S Arundel, H Armitage, J Clegg, K Godwin, S Omar (2), S Starford, M Hainsworth (1), J Tiffany, D Holford.

**Rugby**

**Wakefield College dominate a spirited welsh outfit with a 56 to nil display.**

Wakefield college travel down to south wales on Wednesday hoping to continue their good start to the Elite College league season. They did not disappoint. After a long bus drive down through the valleys they could have been excused for starting slow but they started like a house on fire.

The game got underway with a ferocious first set with Wakefield setting the temp for the rest of the game with Shaun Jordan, Jacob Jones and Tom Halliwell setting the tempo. When they got the ball, they scored on the first set with James Szluck showing some silky skills to go over with a conversion to follow to make the score 0-6. Wakefield then got a little guilty of been over eager and giving away a couple of silly penalties for been offside. Bobby Jowitt corrected this with some solid defensive contacts which forced an error from the Welsh outfit with Zanye Cloete gladly picked up and finished to make the score 0-10.

South Wales were showing plenty of spirit and kept coming but more good defence, this time from Ryan Strafford and Nathan Newbound made sure they was under no illusions who the dominant team was. Callum Baker split the defence to run 60m to score a fine individual try which took the scores to 0-16 after he converted. The next set Jacob jones did a superb offload which led to the impressive Shaun Jordan carried the ball forward with pace who found Coleby Colthorpe to finish under the sticks to make the score 0-22.

The game then suffered a 1 hour stoppage whilst an ambulance came after a south wales player suffered a suspected serious spinal injury, everybody at Wakefield wishes him a speedy recovery.

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The second half got underway the same way as the first with Wakefield dominating from the onset. Callum Hudson got the scoring underway with a great try out wide. Tyrone Mashwanaga, who is growing in confidence each week then produced the offload of the game to send James Szluck over for his second of the game. Junior Njoh Njoh, who was a livewire after coming on form the bench then produced a superb break which he could t quite finish but Coleby Colthorpe gladly did, making the scores 0-38 with 15 mins to play. Further tries followed through with James Szluck who completed his hat trick, Junior Njoh Njoh, Lee Kershaw and Nathan Newbound making the final score 0-58.

Overall a good day at the office for Wakefield College with a very professional and clinical display. South Wales presented a physical challenge which Wakefield dealt with accordingly and raised the bar even higher. Man of the Match was James Szluck closely followed by Coleby Colthorpe and Shaun Jordan.

Team:

1/ Kian Morgan

2/ Callum Hudson

3/ Zanye Cloete

4/ Ryan Strafford

5/ Callum Baker

6/ Coleby Colthorpe

7/ Stephen Gibbs

8/ Bobby Jowitt

9/ Tom Halliwell

10/ Jacob Jones

11/ Nathan Newbound

12/ James Szluck

13/ Shaun Jordan

14/ Arvydas Serinka

15/ Tyrone Mashawanag

16/ Junior Njoh Njoh

17/ Callum Taylor

18/ Tom Metcalfe

19/ Lee Kershaw