



Bournemouth RFC
The English Clubs Rugby Union Championship – SSE National 3 South West
Season 2011/2012



Saturday, 19 November 2011, KO 2.30 p.m. at the Rectory Pavilion

Chinnor.....21pts **Bournemouth Lions.....15pts**

HT: 14pts
Tries: Stoop 7, Seymour 33, Waddingham 44. **Conversions:** Cathcart 7 33 44.

HT: 5pts
Tries: Hardcastle 28 58, **Conversions:** Searle 58. **Penalties:** 75

Bournemouth founder on the rocks of a committed Chinnor defence

Result: Chinnor 21/3t3c v 15/2tcp Bournemouth. **HT:** 14/2t2c v 5/t.

Weather: Bright and sunny with no detectable wind.

Ground: The ground was firm under foot with a good covering of grass.

Kick-off: Bournemouth (Scott Chislett) kicked off from right to left as viewed from the clubhouse and to his left.

When the ball was put wide Chinnor found too many gaps and two tries were the result. They might have had a third but for a forward pass to right wing Philip Seymour. It was only the alertness of scrum-half Sam Hardcastle that was able to breach a determined well-organized defence when he found his way through on the blindside from a 5-metre scrum. His attempt to get closer to the posts was thwarted and Robbie Searle pulled the attempt at goal across the face of the posts. The same player did the same with two penalties and so Bournemouth went into the interval a not too painful seven points down. But there was much to ponder in the interval not the least on how to raise their game in the face of this vigorous Chinnor side.

The mountain became much steeper early in the second half when flanker Alex Waddingham finished off a strong thrust down the right and the ever reliable James Cathcart kicked his third goal to stretch the lead to 21-5. Mmmh! Coach David Dunn immediately replace inside centre Ben Stewart with Robert Bruce and Tim Seward with Chris Hughes in an apparent to increase the physicality of the Bournemouth effort. Bournemouth stepped up the pressure and lock Tom Mowbray was asked to take ten minutes rest for illegal work in a ruck. From the penalty Hardcastle dodged his way through to score near the posts where Searle this time made no mistake and Bournemouth got themselves back within a mere two scores at 12-21! With Bournemouth dominating the territory possession it was frustrating that they were unable to breakdown that defence. Their cause was not helped when Hardcastle was given a yellow card for an alleged punch but Manning took a very pragmatic decision when he asked Searle to kick a penalty two minutes later to bring Bournemouth within seven points of Chinnor and thus at least securing a losing bonus point. Mowbray was finally dismissed for good when he was given a second yellow card for continuing his illegal work at the break down. With Hardcastle restored, Bournemouth applied the most enormous pressure on Chinnor deep into injury time when they worked the ball to within a couple of metres of the Chinnor line with remarkable period of ball retention. Chinnor however managed to steal it and Cathcart booted the ball upfield and into touch in what seemed to be the final act of the game. However there was still time for a Chinnor line-out but Bournemouth managed to steal the ball back and drove towards the Chinnor line. However, it was not to be a fairy tale ending as Chinnor in turn stole the ball and a relieved Cathcart had no hesitation in booting the ball into touch and ending Bournemouth's remarkable run.

A disappointing day of course but too many mistakes and poor defence allowing the first two scores made Bournemouth's task too much in the end. They lose that coveted top spot and it is going to be hard to get it back but not all is lost. We have the return home tie in March but we must restore that early momentum and keep Chinnor under pressure. The result means that Bournemouth have yet to win at Chinnor!

Doug Warren.

Teams

Bournemouth: Karim Lynch, Robbie Searle/cp, Dan Connolly, Ben Stewart (Robert Bruce 44), James Flynn, Scott Chislett, Sam Hardcastle/2t, Tim Wareham (Joe Tarrant 68), Frazer Wilford, Alan Manning/C, Tim Seward (Chris Hughes 44), Callum Forrest, Jack Hennings, Anthony Dunkerley, Gavin Hart.

Yellow Card: Sam Hardcastle 63

Man of the Match: Alan Manning.

Coaches: David Dunn, Tim Collier.

Medical Team: Iain Crombie, Simon Fitch.

Video Analyst: Helen Ryan.

Chinnor: Henry Colver, Philip Seymour/t (Richard Williams 59), Matt Goode, Sam Stoop/t, Ken Prinsloo, James Cathcart/3c, Frank Jones, Joe Winpenny, Simon Tattersall, Joe Pickett (Thomas Whelan 67), Tom Mowbray, Andrew Smith, Harry Jackman, Alex Waddingham/t (Nick Harrison 45, Liam Gilbert.

Yellow Cards: Tom Mowbray 57 76.

Red Card: Tom Mowbray 76.

Referee: Phil Watters, Gloucestershire.

Referee Observer: Malcolm Jamieson, Buckinghamshire.

Touch Judges:

Steve Harland, Devon; Dan Parrott, Gloucestershire.

League Points: Bournemouth 2 (Losing bonus point), Chinnor 4 (Win).

League Positions: Bournemouth drop to second on 50 points. Chinnor go top on 50 points.

In the League: Sam Hardcastle extended his own career try-scoring record to 111; Alan Manning extended his own record of consecutive appearances as tighthead prop, as a forward and as captain to 49.

Match Results • 19 November 2011

Bridgwater & A 33-12 Newbury Blues

Chinnor 21-15 Bournemouth

Chippenham 31-31 Old Redcliffians

Old Patesians 35-7 Barnstaple

Oxford Harlequins 22-17 Exmouth

Redingensians 39-8 Newton Abbot

Weston-s-Mare 22-24 Amersham & C

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Team	P	W	D	L	For	Ag	Diff	Pts	T	L	A	Tot	Opponents on 3 December 2011
1 Chinnor	11	1	0	0	387	144	243	44	6			50	Newbury Blues (a)
2 Bournemouth	11	10	0	1	631	105	526	40	9	1		50	Old Patesians (h)
3 Redingensians	11	9	0	2	385	150	235	36	3	7		46	Chippenham (a)
4 Newton Abbot	11	7	0	4	294	215	79	28	3	1		32	Bridgwater & Albion (h)
5 Weston-s-Mare	11	6	0	5	332	242	90	24	6	1		31	Barnstaple (a)
6 Old Patesians	11	6	0	5	334	307	27	24	7			31	Bournemouth (a)
7 Barnstaple	11	6	0	5	218	198	20	24	3	2		29	Weston-super-Mare (h)
8 Exmouth	11	5	0	6	345	297	48	20	4	4		28	Old Redcliffians (a)
9 Chippenham	11	4	1	6	2267	366	-99	18	6	1		25	Redingensians (h)
10 Old Redcliffians	11	4	1	6	225	266	-41	18	3	1		22	Exmouth (h)
11 Amersham & C	11	3	0	8	191	376	-185	12	3	3		18	Oxford Harlequins (h)
12 Oxford Hqns	11	4	0	7	184	430	-246	16	2		-5	13	Amersham & Chiltern (a)
13 Bridgwater & A	11	1	0	10	154	519	-365	4	2	1		7	Newton Abbot (a)
14 Newbury Blues	11	0	0	11	147	479	-332	0	1	1		2	Chinnor (h))