



## **Capilano vs Ravens, Brits, Richmond and SFU - Oct 22, 201**

**The Cap under 19's** started off the first of six games at Klahanie. Caps defeated Ravens 29-11 in a convincing fashion. Conner Weyell and Liam Montgomery were among the Cap scorers. This Cap team is rebounding from a disappointing season last year and look better each week.

## **Capilano 3A versus Ex Brit Lions.**

Anytime you face a one division team especially one that has played higher you expect a hard game. Today was no exception. Brit/Lions came out storming and put considerable pressure on the Caps but all they could muster early on was a penalty kick with Caps repelling their opponents time and time again. Then as often happens the tide began to change and Caps began to rebound. Speedy Kyle Watson cut through and went all the way to score. The conversion hit the upright and stayed out. The score was 5-3 for Caps. Jesse McSweeney scored another try for Caps and again the conversion was missed. The half-time score was 10-3. Shortly after the break Brit/Lions struck back to make it 10-8. They also missed the conversion. Brits had a good chance to score again but their grubber kick went too far and was touched down by Caps. They did come on to score again though and made it in at the far corner. The score was now 13-10 for the visitors and Caps tried desperately to get the winner but couldn't do so. Congratulations to EX Brit Lions for handing the Caps 3A team their first loss of the season.

## **Premier Women, Caps versus SFU**

The visitors were clearly the better side today and came away with a 22-10 victory. SFU distributed the ball very well and had some speedy backs. Caps came back with two late tries one by Cassie Omoerah and another by Hilary Leith but it was too little too late. Congratulations to SFU.

## **Cap 3 B versus Richmond**

I was unable to watch this game but apparently Caps scored at least 5 tries to take it comfortably. No one seems to know for sure but approximately 30-11.

## **Caps First Division Men versus UBC Old Boy Ravens.**

This was a very one sided affair that Caps won 68-0. The Raven side looked to be very young and were no match for the Caps today. Andrew Dorey opened the scoring and the conversion hit the upright but went in. It was the first of many kicks by Colin Reed who really brought his kicking boots today. Andrew Dorey scored again to make it 12 plus 2 for the conversion.

Connor Martin score the next one on a nifty run down the wing. Connor put in double duty today having played the whole game for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Division at standoff and now

playing wing for the 1<sup>st</sup> team. He had a strong game and looked very impressive. The score was now 19 plus 2 more by Colin Reed. Veteran flanker Craig McLaren then put on a show of head fakes and dummies as he picked his way through the defenders then went all the way to score under the posts. The conversion now made it 28.

Ravens had an excellent chance to score but a try saving tackle by Chris Robinson stopped their chance. Connor Martin stopped another Raven chance with a good tackle. Not long after Brad Whiteman made it 33 and the conversion upped it to 35. Chris Robinson was sent away on a nice pass by Colin Reed to score another. The conversion was missed, I think the only miss of the day for Colin Reed. Dan Hickey scored for Caps and Connor Martin struck again. Later Jon Whedon made a nice long run down the wing to finish the scoring. The conversion made it 68.

### **The Elite Division Men, Capilano versus Ravens. 24-19 Capilano**

No one knew quite what to expect from the Ravens today. They have not had an impressive start to the fall season but appear to be improving every week. Caps wanted a bonus point win to end up in first place. First place would put Caps up against Meralomas and Ravens in two November games that count towards the Premier League standings. As I understand it the second place team would play two of the top Island teams. Caps have several injuries and some players unavailable but have a strong bench and still managed to field a competitive side. They welcomed back Glen McKinnon who has been playing in New Zealand.

The game started and Ravens struck first with a well taken penalty kick to go up 3 to 0. Caps answered with a try to make it 5-3 and the conversion made it 7-3. Not long after Tristan Elliot was binned for a dangerous tackle on Caps Gord Sawers. Caps were putting on the pressure and a back movement looked dangerous but the ball was mishandled. Ravens had some promising movements also a run by Benz Hendrickson and a good offload got them out of their own end but ended up with a breakdown.

Charlie Jones made an excellent kick ahead and Gord Sawers turned on the speed and outran the opposition. The ball though was heading towards the back line of the ingoal and Sawers just managed to down it before it touched the line. The conversion was missed but the score was 12-3 in favour of Caps. It looked as though Caps would take control of the game but the Ravens had other ideas. Caps had a nice back movement out to the wing but he was forced into touch. Sam Penhall had a strong run for Caps but was tackled he got up and continued but was ruled to have not released. It was one of those fine line decisions that one could argue that he wasn't held. The referee, however, made the call.

A series of penalties against Caps got Ravens back into the game. The Ravens kicker was hitting the ball well and two penalties made it 12-9 at the half. A yellow card in the second half was issued against Caps second row Rob Scott for a high tackle and the penalty kick evened the score at 12. Caps struck again though with a crashing try by Sam Penhall following some hard work by the scrum. The referee appeared to be going to

rule that he was held up but the assistant on the near side made it clear that it was a try. The conversion by Matt Yanagiya was good and the score was 19-12.

Ravens were not through though and got the ball deep in Caps territory with a kick that was mishandled and scooped up by the Ravens for the score. The conversion tied the score at 19. Caps managed another try to make it 24-19 and get the bonus point. The Ravens though to their credit put on tremendous pressure and nearly scored. Caps managed to push the Ravens off their scrum and grind out the victory.

It didn't come easy and Caps will have to improve their game if they are to be successful in the Premier League. I believe that they have the potential and depth but it won't come easy. Congratulations to the Cap players coaches and executive on the successful start.