



Killara West Pymble Rugby Club

Round 2 18/04/09

Coach's Report vs Bankstown

Our first home game for 2009 was to be against the boys from Bankstown. Our new jerseys had arrived and everyone was looking forward to playing in them. Everybody was there early and things looked set for a good afternoon's rugby.

Bankstown came out full of fire and their defense was rock solid. They put on some big hits, some of which were questionable to say the least.

We didn't shirk the task at hand and kept taking it up but unfortunately it was a bit one out a lot of the time and we turned the ball over on numerous occasions. Our lineout improved dramatically and our scrum was good. We spread the ball wide on the back of some good lead up work but just lacked a bit of mongrel when it came to penetrating the Bankstown line.

To their credit, their defense was desperate enough to stop us a metre from the line on a number of occasions. We were still in the game at half time and had enough possession to be a lot closer on the scoreboard at the full time whistle. We seem to have some organisational issues when we get in the opposition's quarter and seem to become desperate rather than patient. There is plenty of commitment, we just need to be smarter. I suppose it did not help that we lost Jordan Moana and James Minnard in the first half to injury and then Macca in the second half but that's rugby. The final score was 28-7.

Best and fairest points went 3 to Moppy, who did not stop taking it up all day. 2 points to Joel who was in the action all day and really played with his heart on his sleeve. Sam Moana grabbed one for his tireless chasing in defense and Ryan deserved a point for an excellent effort in the first half. Keep the heads up fellas it's only early days.