

## March Bears V Ely 2nds

March Bears travelled to Ely on Saturday with a depleted squad due to the unavailability of players and several attending a March VPs wedding

They were facing a very experienced and strong set of forwards at Ely, but March with a strong wind behind them, were first to score points when they took the lead with a penalty converted by Matty Day.

Ely then attacked through their powerful forwards keeping the ball in their possession with good rucking and mauling putting March's defence under considerable pressure, which held firm until half way through the half when Ely scored an unconverted try.

March then had a period of possession and from some good open play from the backs were rewarded a penalty in front of the posts which Matty Day again converted increasing the score 6-5 to March.

March's defence again stood firm until a few minutes before half time when Ely again scored an unconverted try, going into the half time with a lead of 10-6.

In the 2nd half with the advantage of a strong wind at there backs Ely applied pressure constantly, With March continually defending their line, and eventually Ely slowly increased their lead to run out 36-6 winners.

Praise to March's defence and some powerful tackling Kept Ely from further increasing their final score. Youngster Karl Cooke was March's man of the match covering every blade of grass, putting in big hits against bigger sized opponents.

March will now be focusing their attention to Saturday's forth coming game against Wisbech 2nds, in the Jnr Cambs County Cup semi-final at Wisbech, all available player are asked to attend training, at the Braza sports field on Thursday at 7pm