

**MATCH REPORT**  
**HAMPSHIRE v. KENT**  
**WINCHESTER RFC**  
**27<sup>th</sup> November 2022**

**A game of two halves!**

On a miserable, wet Sunday the Kent Girls u18s rugby match squad of 22 players made the long trek to Winchester RFC to play Hampshire in a friendly fixture in this season's county schedule.

The match kicked off at 1 pm and for the first 10 minutes, the Kent XV made a strong start holding Hants in their half. Unfortunately, this sustained early pressure didn't result in any points on the scoresheet for Kent. After this, the Hampshire side established dominance in the scrum and at the breakdown. This dominance allowed Hampshire to control the first half from here and led to 3 tries and 1 conversion (15', 25' 40'). Giving the home side a 17-0 lead at halftime.

The second half got underway with a few changes to the starting XV rotating the squad. The second half was a different story with Kent taking far more control in open play. This resulted in a try for Iona Woodhouse after 58'. Kent continued to press and after one try attempt for Maisie Riddell being held up, she subsequently went over the line down the wing following some inter-play with the backs on 63'. Iona Woodhouse then scored a further try on 70' minutes bringing Kent to within a conversion of tying the match. Unfortunately, time ran out on Kent to capitalise on the second-half dominance. Leaving the final score 17-15 to Hampshire.