

U.13's Match Report - Saturday 12th February 2011

Leeds v York (1 - 2)

Carneige Trans Pennine League

Leeds u.13's entertained York in the first of four Carneige Trans Pennine League matches for Leeds this season (York & Liverpool Home & Away).

Leeds were missing 3 of their influential players for this match, but started well in a 4-5-1 formation and competed strongly in midfield, tackling well to keep York under control and passing the ball around quickly to launch attacks down the wings.

It was from one of these passing moves that Leeds took the lead on 10 minutes, good build up play by Ross Kershaw, Alexander McBurnie, George Proctor and Jamie Tonkinson in midfield created a chance on the edge of the penalty area for Jack Waters, but the York goalkeeper rushed out to make a block challenge, and when the ball rebounded off the goalkeeper, Scott Townend found himself well placed 25 yards from goal to hit a perfect first time chip shot high over the goalkeeper and into the empty net....1-0...a great start for Leeds.

York responded well to this early set back, and forced a corner on 12 mins....from the corner a York player headed just over.

Further York pressure almost led to an equaliser but Danny Crook in goals for Leeds made a good save, and the Leeds defence of Joe Dawson, Ross Dickinson, Fabian Bailey and Tom Elliott were having to defend well to keep York out.

Then on 20 mins, a free kick for Leeds in their own half was hit forward well by Fabian Bailey towards Jack Waters on the edge of the penalty area and Jack controlled the ball well, turned and shot high over the advancing goalkeeper, but unfortunately the ball just cleared the crossbar.

Leeds introduced their 3 subs on 25 mins, Grady Marshall, Kristian Smith and Callum Barron, however more York pressure penned Leeds back somewhat towards half time, but Leeds managed to hang on to their slender advantage to the break....HT 1-0.

York started the second half well, and the Leeds lads had to defend resolutely to protect their lead....unfortunately on 45 mins Leeds' rock in central defence, Fabian Bailey, was injured in a challenge and had to go off, despite a reshuffle it left Leeds slightly weaker in defence, and 5 minutes later on 50 mins York equalised, a long ball down the middle over the Leeds defence played in a York striker and he slotted the ball beyond Danny Crook....1-1.

York continued to press and Leeds were penned back in their own half, but held out for a further 10 mins before conceding a second goal on 60 mins....a left wing cross to the back post was almost cleared but the ball rebounded and fell kindly for a York striker and he coolly slotted home under Danny Crook....1-2.

Leeds responded and tried to push forwards, winning a couple of corners, but York then hit Leeds on the counter attack and almost scored a third goal on 65 mins, a great chance was fired high over the bar....

Despite a final rally by Leeds towards the end, York held out for the win.

FT....1-2.