

Warwickshire Second Team League Division Three

Coventry Standard 28 Alcester 2nds 5

A depleted Alcester side slipped to their first league defeat of the season against opponents who have only recently dropped out of the first team league structure.

Travelling with only eleven men, owing to availability problems this week, Alcester's cause was helped by a cancellation of Coventrians 2nd XV fixture nearby, which allowed the red and blacks to field fourteen players throughout the game.

They trailed 21-0 at the break after conceding three converted tries without reply, but they fought back well in the second half and got a try of their own for their efforts through Steve Green.

Alcester's seconds should have a number of missing players back for next week's friendly game at home to Birmingham Civil Services. Kick off at Kings Coughton is 3pm.

Alcester Veterans

Alcester vets, under the leadership of Derek (Decker) Simons, will be making their inaugural appearance of the season at home to the team of local prison officers, Hewell Vikings. There are still places available in the team, and anyone interested can join in the fun by contacting Decker on 01789 765885