

The small crowd at Parkfield Road were treated to a great spectacle on a gloriously sunny Saturday afternoon when Bold Vets took on top of the table Nuneaton side Manor Park. A victory would have secured the Warks league 3 title for the Bold old boys, however the visitors came with serious aspirations of clinching the title for themselves and arrived with a team that looked completely different from the one that Bold played three weeks previous.

The first quarter of this intense fixture was stalemate with Bold squandering the only significant scoring opportunity when a final pass went to ground. The visitors worked their way into the home side half and, after several uncharacteristic missed tackles from the usual unpenetrable Bold defence, scored two unconverted tries in quick succession to stun their hosts. A typical defiant response was almost immediate and James Brainwood finished off a great move to score under the posts. After converting his own try, this brought Bold to within 5 points. However, this was the closest the home side came to the youthful visitors whose superiority at the breakdown caused the hosts endless problems throughout.

Bold's other tries came from Damo and Lovey. With a couple of other scores going begging, the final result could have been different. However, the Parkfield Road old boys could not quite emulate their previous devastating form and were deservedly beaten on the day by their very capable opponents. Although far from their best, Bold Vets worked tirelessly throughout and could not be faulted for effort. Both sides contributed to a great game, played in a good spirit and was refereed very well by the official.

Vets final league game of the season is this Saturday at Kenilworth. A victory will confirm Bold Vets as Warks league 3 champions and put the seal on what has been a very enjoyable and satisfying campaign