

Palm Island kicked off with the wind, but it was not long before Estates were forcing the pace and Grieves went over wide out to give Estates a 3-nil lead. Soon after, Johnson kicked a penalty for Palm Island to make the score 3-2 in Estates favour. With a nice back line move and a short kick by Fisher who followed through to collect and score Palm Island took the lead. Johnson converted the try and Palm Island was further in front leading 7-3. Halfway through this half Maxwell scored a nice try to bring the score to 7-6 in favour of Palm Island. Five minutes before halftime, Bull scored for Estates and at half time they led 9-7.

Soon after the start of the second half a try by Northey took Estates to a 12-7 lead. Then Griemes with another nice run scored and Vigaraly converted - Estates 12 Palm Island 7. Estates kept up the pressure and Joyce scored making Estates 20 Palm Island 7. From here Palm Island came with a new lease of life. Ross and Simpson made fine runs. Then Geia bumped off six players in a 25 yard run to score, Johnson converted, and the score became Estates 20 Palm Island 12. Palm Island kept up the attack and Fisher with a beautiful cut through left the defence standing to score under the posts. Estates 20 Palm Island 15.

Estates then scored two quick tries, one by Walker and another by Grieves (his third for the match) and led 26-15. However two fine runs by Ebagoola resulted in his scoring and Geia converting bringing the score to 26-20. There was still ten minutes left, but the pace was too slow and in the last five minutes Paine and Walker scored for Estates and Vigaraly converted both tries making the final score 36-20. For Palm Island Ross, Fisher, Burke and Johnson played well, Ross being the outstanding player on the field. His handling and fine running especially his 50 yard dash along the sideline in which he beat three players were gratefully appreciated by the large crowd.

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