

Rugby – Scotland Women v Army Select, 7 January 2012



In the lead-up to the 6 Nations Tournament, Scotland fielded all 30 of their pool players against the Army in a friendly match at Murrayfield. The game was played with rolling substitutes – 10 subbed-on at one point! – to give everyone a chance at playing and to allow the coaching staff to see everyone in action.

The Scotland team scored four tries in a fairly tough match, in which their opponents didn't pull any (metaphorical) punches, but in the end the Army team just weren't strong enough.

The National side showed some fine running from the backs, as well as strong play up front from the pack with the Scotland scrum being easily the better. They didn't have it all their own way in the loose, however, the Army turning over Scotland far too often and easily from the ruck. Something to work on, perhaps?

With the half-time score sitting at 12-6, Scotland had the majority of the play in the second half to run in another two tries and finish the game 24-6 ahead.

This was the team's second win on the bounce (they defeated The Netherlands 33-10 in November) but they still have a mountain to climb if they are going to get anything against the World's best team, England, at Lasswade on 5 February 2012.

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