Edinburgh's rugby round-up from this weekend

Edinburgh Rugby

13-0 down at half time against Ulster at Ravenhill, Edinburgh eventually lost the match 30-0, with the home side securing a try bonus point on the way. The usual story of too many penalties and, what appeared to be on occasion, a lack of application went against the visitors. This result drops Edinburgh to 10th place in the Guinness PRO12 table, just ahead of Zebre and Treviso. A full report from Stephen Brunsdon can be read — before it gets dark! — in the [Sports](#) section.

Club Rugby

In the BT Premiership, only one of the four Edinburgh sides recorded a win at the weekend and that was Heriots, who beat Currie 34-28 at Malleny Park. Boroughmuir were beaten 34-16, at home, by Ayr and Edinburgh Academy's woes continued with a 26-19 defeat by visitors Gala.

The league table, Heriots retain their shared second place with Ayr on 24 points, Boroughmuir drop to eighth on 11 points and Accies stay tenth with 3 having gained another losing bonus point.

In the BT National League, Div. 1, Watsonians scored seven tries in their 44-12 win against Kelso at Myreside (Full report in the Sports section), but Stewarts-Melville suffered an agonisingly close 17-16 defeat by Selkirk at home.

As a result, Watsonians climb up to third, now on 15 points, while Stew-Mel drop a few places to sixth on 14 points.

As an aside, in conversation with Stew-Mel's President, Colin Rigby, at a previous match, it appears that not only do Stew-Mel and Watsonians play either at home and away on the same weekends for almost all of the

season, but Watsonians act like Stew-Mel's 'beta-testers' by playing their next opponents the week before. He went on to comment that the situation has lead to a bit too much attention being paid to their next opponents rather than the game in hand.

It also means that, on alternate Saturdays, the ER's Rugby 'correspondent', who has an 'easy access' arrangement with both clubs, has to occasionally consider other plans…….

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