

# Toulouuse's away day joy

**HALIFAX**

2. Will Sharp	6
3. James Salmonsall	6
3. Steve Tyrer	8
22. Chester Buller	7
21. James Woodburn-Hall	6
6. Scott Murrell	6
1. Ben Johnston	6
14. Ryan Boyle	6
9. Ben Kaye	6
8. Mitch Cahalane	5
10. Adam Tangata	7
12. Simon Grix	8
13. Jacob Fairbank	7

**TOLLOUSE OLYMPIQUE** got their first away win of the season, at the third attempt, with a hard-fought victory in West Yorkshire.

**SUBS:**

20. Elliot Morris	6
26. Alex Mammone	6
15. Luke Ambler	8
19. Connor Robinson	6
Thes: Tyrer (7).	
Goals: Tyrer (2/3).	

**TOLLOUSE OLYMPIQUE**

2. Tony Maurel	8
4. Gregory White	7
3. Bastien Ader	7
11. Sebastien Planas	7
20. Paul Marcon	7
6. Johnathon Ford	8
7. Stanislas Robin	7
8. Clement Boyer	7
24. Anthony Marlon	7
10. Bastien Canet	8
26. Constantine Milka	6
12. Rhye Duran	6
13. Andrew Bentley	7
SUBS:	
14. Mourad Krouache	6
15. Maxime Puech	6
16. Tyla Hepi	7
17. Kalusa Leta	7
Triess: White (25), Ader (39).	
Goals: Maurel (2/3).	

**Ref ratings:** C, Campbrell 30/100  
**Half-time:** 8-10  
**Penalties:** 8-11  
**Sin Bin:** None  
**Sent Off:** None  
**Weather:** Rain  
**Man of the match:** Johnathon Ford (Toulouse)  
**Attendance:** 1,272  
**Match Rating:** 4/5

**Halifax** 10  
**Toulouse Olympique** 12

Tom Billecliffe at the MBL Shay Stadium

his teammate to score – and convert – what proved to be their solitary try.

Toulouse, without leading try-scorer Kuni Mhiga, responded though with efforts in the left corner either side of a routine Tyrer penalty.

Firstly the Frenchmen equalised through centre Gregory White in controversial circumstances on 26 minutes, much to the annoyance of the home crowd and the delight of viewers of the club's official social media account who were watching a live stream of the game.

After a penalty had been awarded for an interference at the play the ball on Anthony Marlon, the visitors worked the ball to the left edge and Johnathon Ford stabbed through on the last tackle for White in the corner where he was adjudged to have grounded the football, but if he did so, he appeared to have minimal control.

Maurel notched his first of two successful, yet decisive, kicks with a sumptuous conversion.



**CLOSE, BUT NO CIGAR:** Luke Ambler is halted by Bastien Canet near the Toulouuse line

Halifax seemed destined to take a marginal lead in to the break when they edged in front five minutes shy of half-time as Tyrer added to his first half haul with a penalty kick 25 metres out which had been awarded after Toulouse were penalised for holding down too long in the ruck.

The Frenchmen weren't done however and squeezed in down the left flank via Bastien Ader after Ford's delayed pass took advantage of a gap that had kindly opened up in the Fax defensive line. Maurel wasn't as

precise with the boot on this occasion though.

At the start of the second stanza, Toulouse enjoyed a period of prolonged pressure and forced numerous repeat sets.

They even thought that they had extended their lead when a kick on the last tackle was knocked-on by the Halifax defence and Ader dabbed down, however the referee had spotted an attacker encroaching beyond the kicker.

They came up agonisingly short once again as prop Bastien Canet barrelled his way over from Stan Robins' short ball to the right of the posts yet he inexplicably

coughed up the ball when it looked easier to register.

The see-saw nature of the game continued when, with 66 minutes on the clock, Constantine Milka's high shot on Ben Johnston – as he attacked the line – was punished by the boot of Tyrer who, having scored all of his side's points, levelled the scores at 10 apiece.

That kick wasn't enough though for Fax to build on and they suffered late on when Robin wasn't allowed to get to his feet in the tackle and Maurel drove a long range penalty between the sticks for two points on the scoreboard, and in the league table.



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