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Millwall advance in RFU cup

Millwall continued their good form with a home victory over Thames RFC 38-14 in the first round of the Powergen Junior Vase.

The Llamas also maintained their 100% win record by beating East London three's 22-11 in their first merit table match of the season. Meanwhile Millwall's third team went down 20-17 to Southend despite a gutsy second half come back.

At Victoria Park, Millwall's good forward play and superb back line movements resulted in six tries, with Nick Tiffin converting four.

Fly half Dom Sutherland got the score sheet ticking over when he dived over in the corner against the run of play following a mount of Thames possession.

Shortly after, big second rower Adam Crawford carried several Thames defenders over the line but they were unable to stop the Australian giant from scoring beside the posts.

Leading 12-0 at the break, Millwall knew Thames would attempt to claw their way back into the match and they did just that, scoring a well worked try shortly after the restart.

It was then that Millwall stepped up a gear.

Slick back line passing saw Phil Antenbring cross for two tries in the space of ten minutes while his centre partner Louis Newton grabbed one under the posts following a Thames mistake in the in-goal area.

While Thames were able to grab another try giving them some hope of stealing a victory, Millwall put the result beyond doubt when hooker Jason Evans crashed over.

The win means the Isle of Dogs club now progress to the next round of the Powergen Junior Vase hoping to outdo their final 16 finish a few years ago.

Millwall firsts resume their league campaign on Saturday travelling to Bancroft. The Llamas play their first home match of the season at Vicky Park in a merit table match against Bancroft Two's while the Thirds are away to Westcliff.



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