Japan v Scotland: Hosts' magic try captured in special footage at Rugby World Cup

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On a night of brilliant Japanese rugby, this try stood out.

Has there ever been a better example of the great things that can happen when you keep the ball alive?

Tries from props aren't often things of beauty, but Japan loosehead Keita Inagaki's most certainly was, in his side's <u>Rugby World Cup</u> victory over Scotland in Yokohama on Sunday night.

Canon have released special footage of the 26th minute pearler, which came on the back of several brilliant offloads from the hosts and saw them take the lead for the first time in the match, which they went on to win 28-21 to book a maiden quarterfinal appearance.

In all of the tournament's matches at the International Stadium in Yokohama, Canon have set up multiple high-resolution cameras to capture action from a player's perspective - views and angles that aren't possible with conventional cameras.

The total offloading count in the match was 8-7 to Japan, and no less than three of them came in the exhilarating phase of play which led to Inagaki's first test try, in what was his 33rd international.

Starting with a ruck on Scotland's 22m, Japan move the ball left where first five-eighth Yu Tamura then gives a short ball to hooker Shota Horie, who spins his way out of the tackle of Scotland No 8 Blade Thomson.

Tackled soon after, Horie then keeps the ball alive for lock James Moore to charge ahead, but he's equally adept at getting an offload away, finding rampaging William Tupou.

The fullback then steps his opposite, Stuart Hogg, and despite the desperate pull-down by centre Chris Harris, Tupou pops a handy ball up for Inagaki to dive over the line.

It was champagne rugby which had the Japanese crowd in raptures.

They'll now eagerly await their quarterfinal against the Springboks in Tokyo on Sunday night, where their massive 2015 World Cup upset will surely be on the minds.