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Whitchurch wilt as Colts crack four

Dave had, with the exception of Sam Jones, a full strength squad to choose from and elected to put three strikers on the bench. The team lined up:

	Nick Ford	
Tom Hamblin		Joe Garland
Lee James		Phil Knight
Jack Gooding	Dan Payne	
Marcus Smith		Jason Pitman
Zolly Vanyai		Jamie Bryant

Substitutes: Jay Beale (Jamie Bryant, 55), Chay Welsh (Zolly Vanyai, 55), Jack Belsher (Marcus Smith, 58).

Whitchurch kicked off but we were soon on the attack and a 30-yard shot from Jack, curled in the strong wind with which we were playing, was put round the post by the 'keeper. Zolly met Marcus' corner but his shot lacked venom and was easily saved. Colts took a fortunate lead after four minutes when a cross by Jamie, on the right was diverted into his own net by a defender via the post and the 'keeper's back (1-0). Jamie wanted to claim the goal, but the defender was under no pressure and the cross was nowhere near any of our players so – no chance!

Zolly and Jamie linked up well before Jason's final pass was hit just wide by Jamie (a left-footer!). Following a foul on Jason Jack had a 35-yard free kick that was high, wide and handsome. Ten minutes gone and the first sending off of the season – Jason to remove his earring, I thought referees were supposed to check these things before the match started, get a grip Rich! Still, I expect this will be reflected in Dave's assessment and the mark he awards you. Nice flags, though.

A quick throw and a one-two with Zolly enabled Jason to get in a shot that the 'keeper managed to hold as Jamie challenged for any fumble. Dan then shot woefully wide and a minute later Jason's shot nearly deceived the 'keeper with its swerve (wind assisted?) but he managed to push it on to the post.

Zolly then almost broke through but the 'keeper came out to meet the through ball and just managed to grasp it at the second attempt. Marcus then saw his cross rebound off the bar.

We were playing with a lot more passion than last week and with a greater degree of confidence. Half way through the half and Phil even had the audacity to sweep a pass across field to Lee who was advancing down the right. The ball was worked forward to Marcus who neatly passed the ball unselfishly to **Zolly** who had the simple task of beating the 'keeper from close range (2-0).

Whitchurch were trying to pass the ball around but this was obviously our week for closing down and getting in some snappy tackles. Jack was more involved, and Jason was snapping at heels like a Jack Russell terrier. Another shot from Jack was miss-fielded by the 'keeper – Jamie was more impressive last week – and from the corner he punched weakly and the ball bobbed around before he eventually gathered Marcus' header.

Although we had been closing down Whitchurch's midfield runs and the defence had their forwards under control, slack marking allowed a Whitchurch midfielder to pick up a ball played inside from our left flank, and advance before striking the ball well from 30 yards. Nick probably had it covered anyway but we were pleased to see it dip just over the bar.

With the strong wind at our backs and rain gusting down in torrents in between the spells of sunshine we were well in control, and unlucky not to go further ahead in the last minutes of the half when Jason's shot was headed off the line by a defender. A brilliant passing move started by Phil and involving Dan, Jason, and Zolly saw Jamie's under-hit shot saved by the diving 'keeper and Jack's follow-up shot go wide.

HALF TIME: WHITCHURCH 0 COLTS 2

Colts kicked off and were immediately on the attack. Zolly beat the offside trap but was forced wide to the right of the area before unleashing a shot that was diverted round the post by the 'keeper for a corner. Jason and Zolly played a short corner and although Jason's cross was partially cleared the ball fell to **Jack** who advanced towards the edge of the box and unleashing a shot that the 'keeper managed to let slip through his hands and in to the back of the net (3-0).

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A break by Whitchurch was foiled by a last ditch tackle by Tom and it was then the turn of Joe to get in a vital tackle as Whitchurch made the most of having the wind at their backs. This good work was almost undone as from a corner a Whitchurch forward was allowed a free glancing header that went just wide of the far post – just evading the attempts of two other Whitchurch players to get a foot on it. At this stage of the game Whitchurch were starting to get back in to the match although Tom and Joe were pretty solid in the middle of defence and Lee and Phil were also in control and looking to roam forwards whenever the opportunity arose. Nick was not severely tested and mostly had to deal with through balls and back passes.

Jamie won the ball and crossed for Zolly to shoot straight at the 'keeper, and then when Jack won the ball and passed out wide to Zolly his cross was miss-controlled by Jamie and a chance went begging. With a quarter of an hour left Chay and Jay came on for Jamie and Zolly and three minutes later Jack B came on in place of Marcus, with Jason switching to an advanced position on the right wing. Actually, with Lee pushing forward into the space behind it looked like we were playing 3-3-4. Tom headed a free kick for Whitchurch well clear, and although the ball was quickly worked forward the ball went out – apparently harmlessly – for a goal kick. However, the kick was a poor one – straight to **Jay**, who advanced a few paces and hammered a shot high in to the net (4-0).

Phil then intercepted the ball in the Whitchurch half and slid a pass through to Jay who turned and fired narrowly wide of the post, with Jack B and Chay both in good positions and offering alternatives. However, two minutes later and Jay's pass from the right narrowly evaded Jack B and Chay by a whisker.

FULL TIME: WHITCHURCH 0 COLTS 4

MAN OF THE MATCH

This was more like it. A few candidates to chose from! Our illustrious and – dare I say it - knowledgeable panel (Steve, Paul and Bob – alias the three wise men) duly conferred and awarded this much coveted trophy to our poppet:

JACK GOODING

Post match comment.....

We played much better than we did against Patchway. I know that Whitchurch were not in the same class – but they are a capable team on their day, and the result might have been a little closer had they had their regular 'keeper playing. Still, it was nice to see us passing the ball to each other and playing with commitment and a desire to get the ball.

As a dress rehearsal for the first round of the Cup in two weeks time it was good to put in a performance like that and although it will make us deserved favourites we need to guard against complacency.

Warmley wobble under Colts' cosh

Andy back for the local derby, totally out of order in shorts and T-shirt (should be fined for turning up like that). He wisely elected to keep warm by running the line and let Clive run the team, which lined up:

	Sam Johnson	
Tom Hamblin		Dan Payne
Mark Webb		Phil Knight
Craig Palmer		Colin Stallard
Ashley Rowe		Ian Field
Gareth Smith		Jay Beale

Substitutes: Nick Guest (Phil Knight, 47),
Liam Kavanagh (Craig Palmer, 47).

With a strong wind behind them, Warmley kicked off and did the initial attacking. Craig conceded a free kick, ten yards in from the touchline and just outside the box, but the kick was well cleared by Tom. Colts replied with a fine ball from Craig to Ian, who cut in and shot narrowly wide, under pressure from a defender. This was followed by a strong shot from out on the left by Jay that flew just over the bar.

There was a competitive edge in midfield with the wind making control difficult, but with seven minutes gone a good pass from Colin found Ashley on the right. His pass to Jay was knocked on to Gareth who, despite being crowded by the Warmley defence managed to work the ball through to **Ian** who slotted the ball home from close range (1-0).

Another good ball from Colin, this time to Ian who fed Jay. The 'keeper did well to come out and although Jay just reached the ball first, his prod goalwards was cleared off the line. We were showing a lot of endeavour, with Ashley, Colin and Gareth in particular working hard to get the ball. At the back Tom was having a storming game.

Colin seized on a half clearance and his snap shot was headed wide of the post for a corner with the 'keeper looking as if he was struggling to cover it. At the other end Dan looked as though he had a shot at his own goal – Sam thought it was a back pass and had to hack it clear; unfortunately the ball fell to a Warmley forward – fortunately Tom rescued the situation with a timely tackle.

A foul on Phil allowed Tom to pump the ball forward for Jay to turn and fire in to the side netting. Warmley nearly got the equaliser after 25 minutes when a long through ball allowed a Warmley attacker to race through. Sam was out quickly to block, but the ball ricocheted off the attacker and fell to a second attacker whose goal-bound shot was excellently blocked by the diving Phil, the ball rebounding off his shoulder for a corner.

With half time approaching a long through ball from Dan set Jay free, but the Warmley defence put him under pressure and his shot went wide. Good work on the right flank with Mark, Colin, Ashley and Gareth combining to send Jay through. He held off his challenger well, but with only the 'keeper to beat he screwed the ball wide; a disappointing finish to a fine move. Good anticipation from Ashley then enabled him to pounce on a poor clearance and make for the by-line. He whipped over a cross to the far post where Ian's effort was blocked at the expense of a corner.

Dan met Craig's inswinging corner with a well-directed header that the 'keeper did well to reach to push round the post. Another quick break by Warmley nearly caught us out as we had pushed forward for the corner. Ian did well to harry the Warmley forward and push him wide and although he managed to get in a good shot, Sam comfortably held it.

HALF TIME: WARMLEY 0 COLTS 1

Warmley again started on the attack, but a good interception by Phil – and a risky pass to Dan – then saw Dan control the ball well and line the ball for Jay to make a strong run and force a corner. Craig swung the corner in from the left and Ian reacted the quickest to bundle the ball over the line as it dropped over the head of those players at the near post (2-0).

Another good ball from Dan to Ian saw us force another corner that was hit to the far post where Colin couldn't manage to turn the ball in to the net as a defender cleared at the expense of another corner that Jay headed over at the near post. Ten minutes in to the half and a long throw from Mark allowed Jay to burst in to the box where Ian stole the ball of his toes and forced the 'keeper to make a good save. Craig and Phil came off to rapturous applause (well, almost!). Liam slotted in wide on the left, Ian moving inside and Nick slipping in to the left back berth.

With a quarter of an hour gone, a speculative shot by Ashley almost caught the Warmley 'keeper napping, but although he fumbled his catch there was nobody far enough forward to challenge for the rebound. A high challenge on Ian resulted in a booking for the Warmley transgressor. Dan hit the free kick well wide. The resultant goal kick was poorly hit and Ashley knocked the ball back in to the box for Jay to again blast over. A long throw from Dan again sent Jay thundering down the left. This time he crossed the ball – unfortunately just behind Gareth who was rushing in towards the six-yard box.

Although we were the better side, Warmley were far from being a pushover and it was taking some resolute defending from Mark, Tom and Dan in particular to preserve our two goal advantage as Warmley concentrated their attack down our right flank. With the wind against them they did try to pass their way upfield – fully aware of our aerial domination in defence.

A sparkling move down our left flank involving Liam and Ashley saw Liam and Jay move menacingly in to the box only to be thwarted by the advancing 'keeper. Nick then hit a good ball over the top of the Warmley defence for Gareth and Jay to converge on, only for a Warmley defender to just get a foot in.

Mark made a good interception and stormed forward only to lose the ball and just clip the Warmley player's heels. From the free kick Tom cleared convincingly. A good run from deep in his own half by Ian and pass to Gareth to get a shot in on target, despite being pressured by the Warmley defence.

Half an hour gone and a five-player move, working the ball out of defence saw Liam gain a corner on the left. Dan hit it weakly to the near post, so Colin took the next one. The ball fell to Dan who was surrounded by defenders and couldn't work the ball free to get a shot in.

As time was running out, Ashley's persistence won the ball and Ian's pass to Liam saw his shot well saved by the 'keeper. Warmley continued to try and press forward and the final kick of the match was a Warmley shot that Sam, in position to deal with the threat, watched go wide of his near post.

FULL TIME: WARMLEY 0 COLTS 2

Afterthoughts.....

I thought that all thirteen players played well. It's not easy playing in blustery conditions. The commitment shown, and the desire to win the ball and get it forward particularly impressed me. Warmley played well in patches going forward and defended in depth at times so it was always going to be difficult for us to score, but our forwards persevered. Although we did create several chances that we failed to convert, Ian took his two goals well. Again, we battled in midfield and showed strength and determination, and some nice, incisive passing. At the back we looked strong, even without Jason. We looked to play the ball out when time was available, but sometimes we should not be afraid to 'hoof' it when in potentially dangerous positions. Sam came out quickly when required, kicked well, and his handling was sound. Well done you Reds!

CHRISTMAS DISCO

The U14s are holding a Christmas Disco in the Carter Room at Fry Club on Sunday 19th December 7.30 until midnight

U13s - Players, parents, family and friends are most welcome to join us. Andy will be there, but there will be no speeches and the disco (Steve Curtis) plays a wide range of music and will take requests.

Tickets are £2 for adults and £1 for children – available from Kerry Gooding or Graham Knight

U14 Fixtures

Sep	11	A	Avon Park Rangers	6-1
	18	H	Hengrove Boys	0-3
	25	H	Patchway Boys	0-6
Oct	2	A	Whitchurch	4-0
	9	A	Brislington	
	16	A	Whitchurch (Cup)	
	23		Free weekend	
	30	H	Horfield United	

U14 TEAM FACTS

Appearances

(substitute appearances in brackets)

- 4 – Bryant, Garland, Gooding, Hamblin, James, Payne, Pitman, Smith;
- 3 – Ford, Knight, Vanyai (1);
- 2 – Beale (2);
- 1 – Ashman (1);
- (4) – Belsher;
- (2) – Welsh;
- (1) – Williams.

Goals

- 3 – Pitman (1 pen);
- 2 – Beale;
- 1 – Belsher, Gooding, Payne (pen), Vanyai, o.g.

Man of the Match

- 1 – Bryant, Gooding, Hamblin, Pitman.

2 October – Results

Avon Park Rangers	9	Horfield United	3
Fishponds	P	Shirehampton	P
Hengrove Boys	5	Winford	0
Patchway Colts	P	Brislington	P
Whitchurch	0	Fry Club Colts	4

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Hengrove	4	4	0	0	29	0	12
Winford	3	2	0	1	19	5	6
Whitchurch	4	2	0	2	22	11	6
Patchway	2	2	0	0	10	0	6
Fry Club	4	2	0	2	10	10	6
Avon Park	4	2	0	2	12	17	6
Shirehampton	3	1	0	2	2	13	3
Brislington	3	1	0	2	9	23	3
Horfield	4	1	0	3	11	26	3
Fishponds	3	0	0	3	4	23	0

U13 Fixtures

Sep	12	A	St Nicholas 'B'	4-1
	19	H	Frampton Rangers 'A'	3-0
	26	A	Shirehampton Colts	11-1
Oct	3	A	Warmley Rangers 'A'	2-0
	10	H	Coalpit Heath	
	17	A	Eastwood Boys 'B'	
	24	H	Christchurch	
	31		Cup – 2 nd round	

U13 TEAM FACTS

Appearances

(substitute appearances in brackets)

- 4 – Beale, Johnson, Hamblin, Knight, Palmer, Smith, Stallard, Webb;
- 3 – McCrossan, Payne (1), Field;
- 2 – Rowe (1);
- 1 – Guest (1);
- (2) – Kavanagh, Williams;

Goals

- 5 – Beale;
- 3 – Field, Payne, Smith;
- 2 – Palmer, Rowe;
- 1 – Hamblin, McCrossan.

Cup Results

There were only nine matches in the first round of the cup because there are 41 teams in the league. This means there will be 32 teams involved in the next round, then 16 in the third round before we get to the quarter-final stages.

Almondsbury	9	NBC	0
Bitton A	22	Yate	0
BRSJ	0	Whitchurch B	11
Cadbury Heath	6	Brislington B	1
Pucklechurch	3	Patchway	4
St Valiers	3	Brislington A	2
Stapleton	12	Coalpit Heath	1
Winterbourne	2	St Nicholas A	12
Shirehampton	1	Fry Club	11

26 September - League Result

Warmley	2	St Annes	3
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3 October - League Results

Christchurch	1	Henbury	2
Coalpit Heath	0	Stapleton	7
Eastwood	6	North Bristol	2
Frampton	14	Shirehampton	1
St Nicholas	4	St Annes	6
Warmley	0	Fry Club	2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
St Annes	4	4	0	0	17	8	12
Stapleton	3	3	0	0	15	4	9
Fry Club	3	3	0	0	9	1	9
Henbury	3	2	0	1	13	6	6
Eastwood Boys	3	1	1	1	9	14	4
Frampton	3	1	0	2	16	8	3
North Bristol	3	1	0	2	10	11	3
Warmley	4	1	0	3	9	10	3
Coalpit Heath	3	1	0	2	9	17	3
Shirehampton	3	1	0	2	5	19	3
Christchurch	3	0	1	2	6	13	1
St Nicholas	3	0	0	3	6	13	0

That's all folks, back to separate editions next week. Contributions and suggestions welcome!