

FRY CLUB COLTS

U13 MATCH REPORT U14

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ANOTHER GOOD WEEKEND – WINS FOR BOTH OUR TEAMS

U13s triumph in top-of-table clash

Well played last Sunday, everybody. We played some excellent football, looking composed at the back and always likely to score goals up front. Midfield was somewhat congested at times, making it difficult to play telling balls, but we competed strongly and won our fair share of the ball.

By the time you read this the Henbury match will also have been played. Already St Annes and Henbury have dropped too many points to be able to win the division title, but will still harbour hopes of Stapleton slipping up so that they can nick second place.

Although on paper Stapleton have a harder run-in than we do, we can't bank on them dropping points. We need to remain focussed on our own performances and strive to maintain the standard we showed against Stapleton. The fact that they could only field ten players in the second half is irrelevant – to all intents and purposes the game was over by then – we were already 2-0 up. I know they didn't have their ace scorer playing, but we didn't have Tom playing, and he'd marked him out of the game earlier in the season. There have been some unexpected results over the past couple of weeks – Eastwood have suddenly hit a good patch, Henbury have only taken one point from their last three games, but gave us a hard game earlier in the season, so we can't ease up!

Thanks to the drubbing we gave North Bristol Colts earlier in the season we are scoring, on average, six goals a game. Andy's target for the remainder of the season is clean sheets – lets try and maintain our record of averaging less than a goal a game against us, and keeping clean sheets in over half our games.

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No Ashley, David, Liam or Tom, so with new boy Mattie on the bench to learn how we play, the team picked itself:

	Sam Johnson	
	Jason McCrossan	Dan Payne
Mark Webb		Phil Knight
	Craig Palmer	Colin Stallard
Nick Guest		Ian Field
	Gareth Smith	Jay Beale

There was initial concern shown by the supporters when it was discovered that Andy was giving the boys a pre-match team talk. Not to worry though – we realised that by the time the game started they would have forgotten any instructions.

Colts kicked off and we gained an early free kick when Ian was fouled. Craig's centre was cleared but seconds later Ian was on the receiving end of another bad tackle, just inside our half. Dan launched a long through ball that Jay ran on to; his cross-cum-shot almost from the by-line was clipped over the line by Gareth (1-0). Great start!

Stapleton were obviously stung by this early break through and exerted a sustained period of pressure which saw play concentrated on our left flank. They couldn't get past Jason and Phil – Phil and Jason couldn't manage to clear the ball! Eventually the ball went out for a goalkick.

Nick ran on to a good through ball from Jay and his perseverance enabled him to beat off a

challenge and play the ball back inside. Ian centred and Gareth was only just robbed, a yard or two from goal.

Craig played the ball out wide to Gareth, and then continued his run, received a delightful little return pass from Gareth and was unlucky to see the 'keeper save his shot at the expense of a corner. Dan and Colin both went for the cross and got in each other's way, the ball skimming off Dan's head and over the bar. If he had called for the ball then he could have missed with a lot more power!

Ten minutes in to the half and play was very much concentrated in the middle third of the pitch as both defences pushed upfield. This can be a sound tactic when you have a defender with Jason's pace as it gives him time and space in which to recover. Unfortunately, if the attacker is faster than the defender then it gives the attacker plenty of time and space in which to advance on goal once he has passed the defender, as Stapleton were about to find out!

Craig's through ball was headed on by Nick, Jay ran through, brushed off two challenges and attempted to chip the 'keeper – who just managed to get his hands to the ball.

A mammoth throw from Jason really surprised Stapleton, and nearly allowed Ian in, but Stapleton defended well, and broke forward well, earning them a corner on the left. Sam made a right mess of a catch as he went for the cross, but was quick enough and brave enough to dive and reclaim the ball. In Sam's defence I should point out that the sun was in his eyes and wearing Steve Payne's Everton cap further hampered him!

Ten minutes of the half left and Jason made a good interception at the back and then did a Forest Gump impression. He ran. And ran. And ran – from one penalty area to the edge of the other, before being dispossessed, but gaining a throw.

Stapleton attacked and Dan's long back pass was hacked clear by Sam. Another long clearance from Jason then saw the Stapleton 'keeper have to come out from his area to clear from Jay.

The referee had a word with Dan and one of the Stapleton players for a little off-the-ball contretemps. I don't know what Dan did or said,

but the Stapleton player missed the second half – and they didn't have any substitutes!

Another long throw from Jason saw Jay backhead the ball goalwards and Mark just unable to get in a shot as the ball was cleared to the edge of the area, as he was quickly closed down.

A dangerous break down our left flank was thwarted by a tackle from Ian, and from the corner Dan headed clear, won the ball as it came back in, and cleared to Gareth who played a good through ball for Jay. Unfortunately, play was stopped as a Stapleton player had been injured in the tackle with Dan, and required treatment.

A good through ball from Colin allowed Jay another run at goal, but he was forced wide and his shot was in to the side netting.

Although there were some nice passing moves from both teams, the midfielders in both teams were quick in to the tackle and flowing moves were few. A long ball over the top from Dan saw Gareth out-muscled and then Jason and Phil both made telling interceptions and tackles as Stapleton attacked. Colin responded with a good through ball that nearly allowed Nick in, only for Stapleton to intercept.

In to injury time, and a through ball from Gareth enabled Nick to make a run down the right, but Stapleton recovered to win the ball. However, as the 'keeper launched his kick, Dan shouted that the ball was his and knocked the ball through to Jay who was able to shrug off a defender's challenge and slide the ball past the advancing 'keeper (2-0).

HALF TIME: STAPLETON 0 FRY'S 2

Mattie came on to replace Gareth and although Mark was penalised for a foul on the edge of the area, Dan cleared and Jason ran the ball out of defence before passing to Mattie. He exchanged passes with Nick before being robbed on the edge of the area. As the ball ran loose Craig shot, but the 'keeper saved comfortably.

A long throw from Mark saw the ball bounce in the area and Ian try an overhead kick that just cleared the crossbar.

A free kick from Dan was going well wide but was needlessly headed out for a corner. Dan had a

free header from Craig's centre but contrived to get his shoulder in the way and the effort went over the bar. Another poor goalkick saw Jay intercept the ball and run through on goal. Although the 'keeper got his hands to the shot he was unable to prevent the ball going in to the back of the net (3-0).

Ten minutes in to the half and another long throw from Jason saw Mattie's header blocked and Jay's shot deflected for a corner. From this, Colin's flick at the near post was wide. He was not to be denied for long, however, and as the ball came to him on the edge of the area Colin hit a low drive just inside the far post (4-0).

Jay latched on to another poor goal kick, only for a defender to get back and put the ball out for a corner. Craig whipped the ball in from the left but the ball just cleared the heads of Dan and Mattie. Nobody was deep to play the ball back in, and Stapleton cleared.

A good passing move between Colin, Craig, Dan, Mark and Nick broke down, but Colin and Craig combined to win the ball back and provide Jay with an opportunity for a shot that he screwed just wide of the far post.

Three-quarters of the match gone and Ian won the ball and played a nice pass over the top for Mattie to burst through, only to be brought up by the referee for a foul on the defender. Mattie then broke into the area again, but with Jay and Ian waiting for a centre tried to go it alone and ran the ball out for a goal kick - too greedy on this occasion!

Although Stapleton were attempting to get forward we were resolute in defence and as Craig broke out, an excellent long ball found Mattie who crashed a shot in to the side netting from an acute angle. Another poor goal kick and Jay chested the ball down for Craig to shoot from distance. His shot cleared the keeper but was a couple of feet wide.

A neat piece of footwork by Nick, wide on the right, wrong-footed his masker and his cross only just evaded Jay. Dan intercepted the ball as Stapleton attacked and played an excellent ball

out to Nick and a great cross in to Jay saw him blaze over, with the goal at his mercy.

With almost half an hour gone, another interception at the back, this time by Phil, saw him release Jay to burst in to the box, hook up, and cross for Mattie to bundle the ball over the line (5-0).

A minute late and a long ball from Mark found Nick who just managed to keep the ball in play. Mattie crossed for Craig to shoot, but the effort lacked power and the keeper saved. Stapleton broke straight back downfield and, under pressure from Jason, their player struck his shot over the bar. Another counter-attack by Stapleton was then broken up by a firm tackle from Jason.

A throw-in by Phil and head-on by Jason, and then Colin, gave Craig the opportunity to run in to the box only for him to be tackled and a cover gained, from which the keeper saved low at the near post.

FULL TIME: STAPLETON 0 FRY'S 5

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With Tom away on holiday and Sam Jones out of the running, Lee and Joe came back in to the starting line-up. Nick had hurt his back, acting the plonker, so he took a set on the subs' bench and Greg continued in goal.

Greg Tucker

Lee James

Joe Garland

Phil Knight

Jack Gooding

Zolly Vanyai

Jamie Bryant

Jay Beale

Chay Welsh

Ross Ashman

Jack Belsher

Substitutes: Dan Payne (50 - Chay Welsh), Sam Williams (53- Ross Ashman), Nick Ford (55 - Jack Belsher)

Horfield kicked off, but lost the ball, and we were first to launch a meaningful attack. Jay took a long throw, a defender miss-kicked, Jack Belsher slid the ball to **Jamie** who shot low in to the net.

As it gets confusing with the two Jacks, I'll refer to Jack Gooding as "Poppet" in this match report!

As Horfield attacked, Zolly intercepted a poor crossfield ball and passed out to Jamie. A strong run down the wing was followed by a deep cross, over the 'keeper, and there was **Jay**, stealing in at the far post to guide the ball over the line (2-0). It was just like déjà vu, all over again - two minutes gone, and two goals up, great start!

A corner on the right hit low, and the ball took a horrible bobble as Jack shaped to shoot, and the ball was eventually cleared for another corner. Chay, at the far post got in a downward header that the 'keeper managed to keep out.

Horfield looked a vastly different team from last year, with some big players, and a couple with pace. A breakaway saw Joe win a chase for the ball and lay it back for Greg to clear. Their next attack saw Horfield caught offside and Poppet hit a long free kick that Jay chased. Although the 'keeper reached the ball first, he fumbled the ball, but Jay's shot was in to the side netting.

Another break from Horfield saw Joe swiftly in to the tackle and Phil clearing up the loose ball and setting Jay off down the wing. Horfield had overcome their shaky start and were beginning to press forward. A cross low in to our penalty area saw Jamie back defending, conceding a corner that was headed over by a Horfield player.

A quarter of the match gone and a ball out wide from Poppet to Chay, and a pass on to Jamie saw his shot pass through the 'keeper's hands and rebound off the bar.

A good run through from Jack, and his nagging persistence paid off as the defender's clearance only found Jay. His deep cross was turned back in by Chay for **Ross** to turn over the line (3-0).

Two minutes later and Joe and Phil were beaten out on the left and as the cross came in a Horfield attacker missed his kick with the goal at his mercy. From the corner that followed, again a

Horfield player jumped highest, but Greg comfortably held his header, just under the bar.

With just under half an hour gone, a corner from Jay, on the right, was half cleared. Poppet tried a pop from the edge of the area - not particularly well struck - but just right for **Ross** to latch on to and bundle the ball over the line, despite the 'keeper getting a hand to it (4-0).

As half time approached Greg had to come out quickly to block, but was unable to hold on to the ball. Fortunately, Jamie was back to clear the danger.

HALF TIME: FRY'S 4 HORFIELD 0

Straight from the kick-off Poppet played a long ball for Jamie to race on to, and force a corner that Horfield cleared. From a poor goal kick Ross won the ball and although his shot from 25 yards cleared the 'keeper, it was just wide.

Jay won the ball out on the left and slipped it inside to Zolly whose through ball saw **Jamie** shrug off two defenders to guide the ball past the 'keeper (5-0).

Another good ball from Zolly out to Jamie saw Ross just unable to get on the end of the cross, but **Jay** was following in behind and he crashed a shot low and just inside the far post (6-0). Two minutes earlier and he'd been writhing in agony on the ground!

With a quarter of an hour gone, Dan came on to replace Chay. Three minutes later and Sam came on at right back with Lee switching to the left, Phil pushing up in to midfield and Zolly moving up front in place of Ross, as we reverted to a 3-5-2 formation.

A good ball down the left from Dan to Jay, and another corner gained. Poppet's cross was just too high for Dan but Zolly retrieved the ball but Jamie's cross was cleared. Phil then played the ball in to Zolly who passed inside for Poppet to let fly. His shot almost went out for a throw-in - but turned out to be a cunningly disguised pass for Jay. **Jamie** met his cross at the far post and crashed in a goal-bound shot that a defender couldn't keep out of the net (7-0).

With a quarter of an hour left, Nick came on to replace Jack. Horfield continued to press, though, and despite reinforcing the midfield we started backing off and defending in numbers on the edge of our penalty area. Greg did well to get down quickly to hold a shot.

Dan played a through ball for Nick to chase, and he burst in to the area, only to shoot in to the side netting. Another ball from Dan out to Jamie saw his cross hit first time by Jay. He really caught hold of the ball – unfortunately it went about 50 yards high, and out for a throw in!

In to the last five minutes and a good through ball by Horfield caught us out as Greg came out to collect the ball only for an attacker to nip in and poke the ball in to the net before Greg could get his hands on the ball (7-1).

A quick throw by Jay saw Dan burst in to the box and cross the ball for Nick to shoot, the ball being deflected for a corner. The corner was cleared and Sam got in an important tackle to prevent Horfield breaking away.

In to the last minute and we gained another corner. Sam was instructed to go up and score, but Poppet hit the cross too deep, and although Jay got his head to the ball, his header went wide.

FULL TIME: FRY'S 7 HORFIELD 1

MAN OF THE MATCH

Paul and Scott, this week's experts, selected **Phil** "dat's my boy" **Knight** as today's Man of the Match. Well done, Phil. And – yes – Jamie again forgot to bring the trophy!

Afterthoughts,.....

Not one of our better performances – we still didn't close players down quick enough. At times Horfield played the better football and with a little more control with their finishing might have made the score closer. Their 'keeper was dodgy, which helped us, and given the fact that he was substituted we may not be facing him next week.

We need to concentrate and be more committed otherwise when we play Winford and Hengrove we will struggle.

Still, we should have our new signings available for selection and, hopefully, the injuries to Dan and Jack will have cleared up, everybody will be fit, and Dave will have a multitude of talent to chose from!

Best wishes to Sam

Sam Jones has had the pins removed from his ankle and is hopefully back on the road to a full recovery. Although he will miss the remainder of the season, he should be fit for the summer 6-a-side tournaments! Alternatively Sam may wish to give them a miss this season. Anyway, the boys have sent their best wishes and, on behalf of the parents, I'll add mine.

RAFFLE TICKETS

Andy has now dished out tickets to the U13 players so can I just remind both U14 and U13 players of the need to return the money and counterfoils as soon as possible. I'm sure there won't be any unsold tickets to return!

**OK, all you budding referees –
how did you fare?**

**The answer to each
question was: FALSE**

1. The law says that the assistant should signal for offences which occur “out of the view of the referee”. So if the assistant thinks the ref may have seen the incident, he should not raise his flag. The ref may decide, for a number of reasons, not to stop play for the incident and if the assistant flags, it will confuse players and undermine the ref’s authority.
2. The flags at the halfway line (which should be a metre back from the line) are optional but corner flags are compulsory.
3. The team who win the toss choose which way to play. The team who lose the toss always kick off.
4. No, he can’t.
5. As long as part of the ball is on or behind the line, that’s okay.
6. It’s a foul if he makes contact with the opponent before the ball. And even if he gets the ball first, it can be an offence if the ref thinks he is playing dangerously.
7. If the goalkeeper deliberately parries the ball (rather than it rebounding from him accidentally) he is said to have controlled the ball with his hands and so cannot then use his hands again.
8. He should be sent off only if the handball prevented a clear goal-scoring chance. He should be booked if a free kick is not sufficient punishment. A ref can decide the offence is not serious enough to warrant a card of any colour.
9. If you spit at someone, you must be sent off. If you spit on the ground, it’s not an offence.
10. No, it’s a corner.
11. If any “outside agency” touches the ball after the penalty has been taken, the kick has to be retaken. (Unless the ball has already hit the goalkeeper or the woodwork before hitting the dog. In that case it’s a drop ball.)
12. As long as parts of both feet are on or behind the line, it’s okay.
13. There must be two opponents between you and the goal-line. One is normally the goalkeeper, but if the goalkeeper has come out of his goal, there must be two other opponents.
14. Any player leaving the field without the referee’s knowledge or permission should be booked.
15. The striker has to be moving towards the goal for this to be a red-card offence.

So, there you go –

who got them all right?

19th February – U14 League Results

Fishponds	0	Patchway	10
Fry Club Colts	7	Horfield	1

U14 League table as at 19th February

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Patchway	12	11	1	0	83	6	34	+77
Hengrove	12	10	1	1	68	6	31	+62
Whitchurch	13	9	1	3	56	24	28	+32
Fry Club	13	8	0	5	55	35	24	+20
Winford	12	7	2	3	54	21	23	+33
Shirehampton	14	6	1	7	26	43	19	-17
Avon Park	13	6	0	7	36	43	18	-7
Horfield	14	3	1	10	31	79	10	-48
Brislington	14	2	0	12	27	109	6	-82
Fishponds	15	0	1	14	20	90	1	-70

U14 TEAM FACTS

Appearances

- 16 – Garland (1),
- 15 – Gooding (1); Hamblin (1), Payne (2);
- 14 – Bryant (2), James (3), Knight (2), Vanyai (2);
- 12 – Beale (2), Ford (2);
- 11 – Pitman (2);
- 10 – Smith (1);
- 8 – Jones (2), Welsh (5);
- 6 – Ashman (4), Belsher (8);
- 5 – Tucker;
- 2 – Williams (2).

Goals

- 11 – Vanyai;
- 10 – Beale, Bryant;
- 9 – Belsher, Welsh;
- 6 – Pitman (1 pen);
- 4 – Ashman;
- 3 – Payne (1 pen);
- 2 – Gooding;
- 1 – Garland, Hamblin, Knight;
- Own goals - 1

Man of the Match

- 2 – Beale, Bryant, Gooding, Hamblin, Vanyai;
- 1 – Garland, Jones, Knight, Pitman, Welsh, 'The Team'.

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	4-3
	16	A	Whitchurch – Cup	0-0 aet
	30	H	Whitchurch – replay	3-0
Nov	6	A	Winford	2-5
	13	H	Fishponds	6-0
	14	H	Hutton Juniors	2-1
			(Somerset FA Lewin Cup – 1 st round)	
	20	H	Shirehampton	6-1
	27	A	Winford - Cup	4-5
Jan	8	H	Avon Park Rangers	4-0
	9	A	Backwell	5-5
			(Somerset FA Lewin Cup – 2 nd round)	
			(Backwell win 4-3 on penalties aet)	
	22	A	Patchway Colts	1-7
	29	H	Whitchurch	1-5
Feb	5	H	Brislington	14-3
	19	H	Horfield United	7-1
	26	A	Horfield United	
Mar	4	H	Winford	
	11		Cup – Semi-finals	
			(Patchway v Hengrove)	
			(Winford v Horfield)	
	18	A	Fishponds	
	25	A	Shirehampton	
TBA		A	Hengrove Boys	

Thank you – to the U14s for the biscuits and the chocolates you gave me for my birthday, last week. The chocolates disappeared whilst I was in London (I think Phil was the culprit) and Dan ate a packet of biscuits at training last week, but I enjoyed the Bakewell tarts.

20th February – U13 League Results

Christchurch	2	St Annes	5
Coalpit Heath	0	Frampton	11
Eastwood	7	St Nicholas	2
Stapleton	0	Fry Club	5
Warmley	6	Henbury	1

U13 TEAM FACTS

Appearances

	Full game	1 st half	2 nd half	N/A	%
Jay Beale	12	3	2	3	85
Ian Field	12	1	5	2	83
Nick Guest	13	2	2	4	88
Tom Hamblin	16	1	2	1	92
Sam Johnson	17	0	0	3	100
Liam Kavanagh	6	4	3	7	73
Phil Knight	16	2	2	1	90
Jason McCrossan	15	1	1	3	94
Craig Palmer	15	3	2	0	87
Dan Payne	12	2	4	2	83
Ashley Rowe	10	4	3	3	79
Gareth Smith	15	3	2	0	87
Colin Stallard	16	1	3	0	90
Mark Webb	15	3	1	1	89

Substitute appearances:

2 – David Hares;
1 – Adam Britton, Mattie Green, Luke Temblett.

Goals

29 – Beale;
17 – Payne, Smith;
12 – Rowe;
9 – Guest, Stallard;
8 – Palmer;
7 – Field, Hamblin (2pen);
4 – Kavanagh;
3 – McCrossan;
1 – Green, Knight;
Own goals –1

U13 League table as at 20th February

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Fry Club	18	17	0	1	111	15	51	+96
Stapleton	17	14	1	2	83	27	43	+55
<u>Frampton</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>+53</u>
Henbury	17	11	1	5	62	40	34	+22
St Annes	16	10	1	5	53	32	31	+21
Eastwood Boys	16	6	1	9	34	64	19	-30
St Nicholas	15	5	2	8	54	55	17	-1
Warmley	16	5	1	10	39	46	16	-7
North Bristol	18	4	2	12	37	86	14	-49
Shirehampton	17	3	4	10	41	68	13	-27
Christchurch	17	3	4	10	28	64	13	-36
Coalpit Heath	17	1	0	16	20	118	3	-98

Only three teams left in the chase for the title.
After the matches on 27th February it could be down to two!

U13 Fixtures

Sep	12	A	St Nicholas 'B'	4-1	
	19	H	Frampton Rangers 'A'	3-0	
	26	A	Shirehampton Colts - Cup	11-1	
Oct	3	A	Warmley Rangers 'A'	2-0	
	10	H	Coalpit Heath	3-1	
	17	A	Eastwood Boys 'B'	5-0	
	24	H	Christchurch	3-0	
	31	H	Frampton Rangers 'A' - Cup	3-6	
Nov	7	A	North Bristol Colts	21-2	
	14	H	Stapleton Juniors	4-2	
	21	H	Henbury O B Colts 'B'	5-2	
	28	A	Shirehampton Colts	12-1	
Dec	5	H	St Annes Rangers	1-0	
	Jan	9	A	Frampton Rangers 'A'	1-3
		16	H	Warmley Rangers 'A'	9-0
		23	A	Coalpit Heath	13-0
		30	H	Eastwood Boys 'B'	8-2
Feb	6	A	Christchurch	8-1	
	13	H	North Bristol Colts	4-0	
	20	A	Stapleton Juniors	5-0	
	27	A	Henbury O B Colts 'B'		
Mar	5	H	Shirehampton Colts		
	26	H	St Nicholas 'B' (re-arranged)		
April	9	A	St Annes Rangers (provisinal)		