



FRY CLUB COLTS

U14 MATCH REPORT U15

Number 22

Both teams back to winning ways

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With everyone available – albeit Jay with a heavily strapped leg, it was the turn of Ross to be omitted from the fourteen. We lined up:

Nick Frost
Tom Hamblin Jason McCrossan
Joe Cook Liam Kavanagh
Nick Guest Mark Webb Dan Payne Curtis Jack
Gareth Smith Jay Slade

Substitutes: Ian Field, Phil Knight, Craig Palmer

I know that the last U14 match report was double-dutch to most of you, but we'll persevere. This week's guest reporter was none other than the well-known Kev Vandahaag.

Five minutes gone, and our first chance of the game. A corner on the right saw Curtis deliver a good cross that was met by Jay whose header was just over the bar. Three minutes later and a good run from Dan took him between two defenders only to pull his shot wide. We continued to press and Gareth was just unable to control a long throw from Mark, the ball going out for a goal kick.

The Frampton 'keeper was not too good with his place kicking and we hoped we might profit from this. Another long throw and the 'keeper just managed to reach and hold on to the ball ahead of Mark's challenge. Another good run down the right from Dan gained another corner, and although the ball was cleared almost to the half way line it was returned for Curtis to run through.

He sent the ball across the face of the goal, but nobody managed to get on the end of it.

Another throw and a glancing header that Nick almost got to was followed by a break down the right from Gareth, who was unable to beat the 'keeper.

With a quarter of an hour gone it was all one-way traffic, Frampton hardly venturing in to our half. Gareth had a shot wide and a header from Jay went wide. A quick break by Frampton saw one of their forwards latch on to a long ball forward and although Joe and Jason chased back he was still able to get a shot in, but well wide.

A good long ball from Jason found Curtis out wide on the left and he beat the full back only to be denied a crossing opportunity by another covering tackle, a corner was gained, but cleared.

A fine run from Dan saw him fouled. Tom swung in a good deep cross that Dan rose unopposed to meet, but directed his header over the bar. A Fry's clearance saw the ball bounce over a Frampton defender and Gareth run through and hook the ball over the 'keeper. Unfortunately it was over the bar as well.

Ten minutes to half time and a through ball from Joe saw Gareth manage to beat the 'keeper to the ball only for a defender to clear for a corner. It was only half cleared and as Frampton tried to spring the offside trap Nick clipped the ball in for Jay to head past the 'keeper (1-0).

A rare attack from Frampton saw Liam cover the danger and the ball went out for a goal kick. The ball was quickly knocked forward for Curtis to win another corner that was cleared. Mark was penalised for a foul but the free kick was poorly taken and enabled Nick and Gareth to exchange

passes down the right wing for Gareth to win another corner, but again it was cleared.

We almost capitalised on a poor clearance from the 'keeper, Jay slotting a tremendous ball between two defenders for Gareth to run on to but push the ball wide of the 'keeper and the post.

Another corner saw a scramble in the six-yard box that eventually saw the 'keeper grab the ball.

HALF TIME: COLTS 1 FRAMPTON 0

The second half saw us playing in to what little wind there was, but with the low evening sun in our eyes. Ian, on for Mark won a throw and Curtis released Dan, who had lost his marker. Unfortunately he'd lost his bearings as well, and his shot from the edge of the six-yard box was wide.

A cross in from Ian almost deceived the 'keeper, but he managed to grasp the ball under the crossbar. Curtis then picked the ball up in midfield and released Joe on an overlap down the right. He was allowed to reach the edge of the area where he unleashed a thunderbolt that shaved the post.

Joe, Nick and Gareth combined to advance down the right flank to win a throw that then gained us a corner that bobbed in the box and was cleared as far as Curtis whose shot cum cross was held by the 'keeper.

Ten minutes in to the half and Jay came off to be replaced by Craig. A foul on Joe saw Tom launch a long kick that Dan squared in to Gareth, but he was unable to control the ball and it was cleared for Tom to release Nick, who won another corner, that again came to nothing. A Frampton attack, their first of the half saw Nick out quickly to smother the ball.

With a quarter of an hour gone Phil came on to play wide on the left, Curtis moving inside and Dan coming off. Another Frampton attack saw Nick safely hold an attempted lob, and then Jason chased back to prevent a Frampton attacker getting in a cross.

In to the last ten minutes and we responded with a good ball in from Phil to give Craig the opportunity to run at the 'keeper who did well to deflect the shot out for a corner. Despite all the corners that we were winning, we weren't making them count for anything. This one was no exception.

From a throw in Liam slotted a good ball through for Craig, but the 'keeper came out to smother it. In to the last five minutes and Curtis beat his man to get in a cross that was missed by two defenders only for Nick to be unable to get his shot in. However, he managed to lay the ball back for Joe whose shot was high and wide. A cracking shot from Curtis was then beaten out by the 'keeper only to Craig who lifted his shot over the bar.

FULL TIME: COLTS 1 FRAMPTON 0

***Afterthoughts*.....**

Dave's verdict: made really hard work of this win, despite creating numerous chances.

Andy's verdict: "That was pants - quite possibly the worst performance we've had in the history of me running the team. Definitely the worst of the last two or three years. It was awful. The only consolation we can take is that we got three points.....if we play like that against one of the better teams we'll be dead and buried. " Tough words, eh? By the time you read this you'll have played the game against Whitchurch 'A; hopefully the result will be the same, but the performance better.

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Jay injured, Steve carrying a knock from the previous evening and also rested, and Rich Healey showing a lack of commitment to the cause by going paintballing! Still, at least Greg had made a full recovery from last week's concussion. Tom drew the short straw and was substitute, as we lined up:

Greg Tucker

Sam Jones Joe Garland Phil Knight

Jack Gooding Mark Webb Dan Payne
Jamie Bryant Zolly Vanyai
 Ross Ashman Jon Pitt

Substitute: Tom Hamblin.

Redcatch kicked off but immediately lost the ball and we spent the next five minutes camped in the Redcatch half. Jack sent the ball deep past the

far post where Dan got in a powerful header that the 'keeper tipped over. The second corner was played short to Jamie and back to Jack who crossed in. Redcatch cleared and attacked down our right flank where Sam did well to police his opponent and clear.

A poor pass from Jamie allowed Redcatch to break, again Sam covering but at the expense of a corner that Joe headed out for a Redcatch player to shoot wide.

Eight minutes gone and a long goalkick from Jack bounced awkwardly and ran through to Jon who turned and wormed his way past two defenders and in to the penalty area before being tripped, **Dan** sent the 'keeper the wrong way as he stroked the penalty home (1-0).

A good ball in from Jon on the left flank found Jamie with time and space but he side-footed the ball with his left foot wide of the goal.

A minute later and Jamie tried to weave his way through the defence on the edge of the area only for the ball to bounce through and appear to be an easy collect for the 'keeper. **Jon** ran in, pressured the 'keeper in to a fumble, and hooked the ball home (2-0).

Another break by Redcatch saw Joe in with a good tackle and the ball was cleared long for Jon to run at goal only to be foiled by a last ditch tackle on the edge of the area.

A foul on Zolly allowed Jack to hit a deep ball in from just inside our half for Jamie to strike a low shot just wide of the far post. Then, a well-weighted ball from Jack allowed Jamie to round the 'keeper and lay the ball inside for **Jon** to slot home (3-0).

Twenty minutes gone and a ball in from Zolly saw the unmarked Ross miss the ball altogether, with only the 'keeper to beat. Then another raking crossfield ball from Jack found Jon wide on the left and he laid the ball back for Zolly, whose shot was blocked.

Greg was then called on to make a save at the feet of a Redcatch player, injuring his hand, but recovering after treatment. Mark, Dan and Jon then combined on the left for Jon to win a corner. Ross wanted to take it but Jack pulled rank, but the kick was cleared.

Half an hour gone and another free kick – the game was getting a bit bad tempered by this point

– and Jack tried to bend the ball round the defence but it went out for a goal kick. Zolly tried to head clear a kick from the Redcatch 'keeper but only succeeded in flicking it on for a Redcatch forward to break clear of Sam and centre. Jack got a touch to it but only as far as the Redcatch player behind him who shot wide. Another long free kick from Jack gave **Jamie** the chance to reach the ball before the 'keeper and stroke it past him (4-0).

Then a tackle from Phil stopped a Redcatch attack down the right flank, Mark released Jamie and his ball inside to Jon was cleverly flicked goalwards but cleared by a defender.

With five minutes of the half remaining, another crossfield ball to Jamie, this time from Zolly, brought out a good save by the 'keeper at Jamie's feet. Joe Phil and Jack then combined for Jack to play the ball over Redcatch's defence and allow **Jon** to run on and slide the ball past the advancing 'keeper and just inside the post (5-0).

Two minutes later and another good ball in from Zolly saw the 'keeper pull off a good block against Jamie's shot, the ball going out for a throw. Mark threw to Ross who returned the ball for Mark to cross in and Jon was wide with his effort, unaware that Jamie was better positioned behind him. Another good ball from Jack found Zolly out on the left. He cut inside before unleashing a shot that crashed back off the bar.

HALF TIME: REDCATCH 0 COLTS 5

Redcatch were caught offside in an early attack and Jack's quickly taken free kick saw Jamie hare in to the penalty area, only to trip over his own feet.

A foul on Mark saw Jack hit the free kick to the far post where Dan won the ball and played it inside for Ross to lay it back for Mark to strike a shot only a foot over the bar. Jack then won the ball in midfield and played the ball out for Jamie to cross to the far post. Unfortunately, Ross and Jon had both made runs to the near post.

A good lay off by Ross allowed Jamie to hit a good swerving shot that the 'keeper did well to divert round the post. Jack's near post corner just cleared Phil's leap, but fell for Jamie to volley over.

Ten minutes gone and Ross and Zolly combined to tee Jack up for a left foot shot that was blocked. The two combined again to set him up

for a right foot shot that **Jack** despatched past the 'keeper and low in to the corner of the net (6-0).

Jamie then battled to win the ball on the right then fed it in to Ross who managed to get a shot in, despite being challenged, which rolled only a foot wide of the post with the 'keeper beaten.

A good cross in from our right flank found a free Redcatch attacker. Greg came out quickly enough to unsettle him, and his shot was wide of the post. Dan then won the ball in midfield and released Jack who fed Jon and the move finished with Ross shooting over. Jack and Jamie combined to take a corner short, the ball coming over for **Jon** to head home at the far post (7-0).

A good interception from Sam saw him stride forward before swapping passes with Jon and getting in a shot that was blocked. However, the ball was only cleared as far as Jack who struck a shot that took a deflection, but **Jack** is still claiming it (8-0)!

With 20 minutes gone Zolly came off and Tom came on to exhibit his subtlety if not his pace on the left wing. Good skills from the Redcatch number 10 saw him weave his way in from the left flank before striking the ball past Greg (8-1). A minute later though and a poor goal kick, straight to **Jamie** saw him control the ball on the edge of the area and strike it back past the 'keeper (9-1).

Another through ball from Jack saw Ross dummy the ball for Jon to run on to, only for him to lift his shot over the bar as the ball seemed to get caught under his feet. Redcatch attacked and a back pass from Phil held up sufficiently in the long grass for a Redcatch forward to beat Greg to the ball and slide it home (9-2).

Just over half an hour of the half gone and a ball in from Jamie saw the 'keeper make a hash of fielding the ball, allowing Jon to turn and whip the ball home (10-2). Five minutes remaining and another break from Redcatch saw Joe out-muscled, but the shot go just wide, and that was the last effort on goal.

FULL TIME: REDCATCH 2 COLTS 10

Afterthoughts.....

A bad-tempered game, certainly on the Redcatch side, although things improved later in the match. Still, we played some good football and took most of our chances.

MAN OF THE MATCH

Jack played some good passes, especially from dead ball situations, but was just shaded by the overall performance, not just the five goals of

JON PITT

Result: U15s 7th April – 21st April

Brislington	0	Avon Park	5
Hengrove Boys	2	Fry Club	2
Redcatch	2	Fry Club	10
Whitchurch	1	Patchway	3
Winford	2	Patchway	0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Hengrove	15	13	2	0	149	11	41	+138
Fry Club Colts	13	10	1	2	96	26	31	+70
Patchway	12	9	1	2	72	15	28	+57
Winford	11	8	1	2	87	13	25	+74
Whitchurch	15	8	0	7	86	45	24	+41
Fishponds Utd	12	6	0	6	54	47	18	+7
Avon Park	12	5	0	7	28	56	14	-28
Redcatch	13	1	2	10	12	86	5	-74
Brislington	14	1	1	12	14	117	4	-103
Fishponds Ath	12	0	0	12	9	183	0	-174

U14 League Cup Final – Sunday 8th April

Brislington	2	Whitchurch Sports 'B'	3
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Results: U14s 8th April – 22nd April

Almondsbury	1	Fry Club	1
Almondsbury	0	Warmley	3
Avon Athletic	1	Brislington	3
Bitton	3	Almondsbury	3
Brislington	0	Warmley	0
Frampton	4	Avon Athletic	4
Frampton	1	Almondsbury	6
Fry Club	1	Frampton	0
Thornbury	5	Almondsbury	3
Thornbury Falcons	0	Bitton Boys 'A'	3
Whitchurch 'B'	6	Thornbury	0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Bitton 'A'	14	7	4	3	38	25	25	+13
Brislington 'A'	13	7	3	3	28	20	24	+8
Fry Club 'A'	13	7	3	3	25	17	24	+8
Warmley 'A'	14	7	2	5	31	24	23	+7
Whitchurch 'A'	15	6	4	5	27	29	22	-2
Whitchurch 'B'	13	6	3	4	32	15	21	+17
Avon Athletic	13	4	4	5	28	34	16	-6
Thornbury	14	5	1	8	24	37	16	-13
Almondsbury	15	3	5	7	30	37	14	-7
Frampton 'A'	16	2	3	11	27	52	9	-25

**PS Andy's mobile number is now:
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U15 PENALTY SHOOT-OUT

Fry Club, 6.30 on Friday 4th May, to see who goes through to the final on Saturday 12th May (before the U15s v Managers match).