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Colts on the rampage in ten-goal demolition

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Joe Cook Mike Tarling Curtis Jack Phil Knight
Rick Anstey Mark Webb Danny Hunt Liam Kavanagh
Dan Payne Ricky Lewis

Substitutes: Jay Slade (Liam Kavanagh, 55), Ian Field (Rick Anstey, 60)

Now for those of you who are unaware of the fact, Andy has been attending an FA course. Part of it involves sports psychology and Andy was expounding its virtues as I was taking him to the game. The gist of it was that players should go out and enjoy themselves! Now there's a revolutionary idea. I was so overcome with the notion that Andy had given up on tactics and that a team talk would merely involve the words "Just go out and enjoy yourselves", that I took the wrong route, went round Chipping Sodbury three times but still got Andy to the game in time to deliver the pre-match talk. To compound the error some of the team even listened.

Anyway, the first sign of un-natural tendencies was not long in coming. Three minutes on the clock and Phil was spotted in the opposition half. A cross curled to the far post saw Dan slide in behind the last defender only to glance the ball wide.

Seven minutes in to the half and a free kick some 22 yards out – for a high foot on Danny. **Curtis** struck the ball low and hard and in to the corner of the net (1-0).

Three minutes later and quick thinking from Dan nearly created a second goal. A throw-in from St Nick's saw the wet ball slip from the player's hands. Dan picked it up and threw quickly to Ricky who set off goalwards only to push the ball too far forward and the outrushing 'keeper managed to save.

Just over a quarter of an hour gone and the second goal arrived. Danny played a good through ball for Dan to chase down the inside-right channel. As the 'keeper came out he squared the ball towards Ricky, only for a defender to stretch out a leg and intercept. Unfortunately for St Nicks, the ball was propelled straight in to the empty net (2-0). A minute later and Mark's through ball gave Ricky the opportunity to dink a ball over the defence for Dan to run on to, and under pressure from two defenders he managed to lob the advancing 'keeper but his effort also cleared the bar.

Dan was unable to capitalise on a goalkeeping fumble, and Phil was a yard off target with a right-foot curler as we continued to press forward. Little was being seen of St Nicks as an attacking force, our defence seemed in complete control – calmly passing the ball out, building from the back; not an accusation made very frequently! A good break from the back by Mike took him towards the edge of St Nick's penalty area only for a difference in wavelength with Dan see the move break down. Then a snap-shot from Danny saw the 'keeper fumble the ball round the post, and Mike stabbing the ball wide from the following corner.

Half an hour gone and Liam's shot from the left side of the area beat the 'keeper but just went wide of the far post. All Dan needed to do to score was stick out a leg and get a touch, but he was unsighted by a defender. Five minutes later and Dan's through ball saw Liam going through for a one-on-one with the 'keeper but the ball zipped off the surface and the 'keeper was out quickly and bravely to block.

HALF-TIME: ST NICHOLAS 0 FRY CLUB 2

We'd passed the ball round well in the first half, despite the rain and the wind. Joe and Phil had advanced down the wings when the opportunities had arisen, and Mike and Curtis had also ventured forward when space invitingly opened up in front of them. At times the midfield seemed to be sitting too deep – a couple of yards in front of the defence – leaving the front two isolated, else we might have been more than two up at half-time. However, all this was to change in the second half as we went gung-ho!

Less than five minutes gone and a run down the right by Joe set up Rick to cross the ball in. **Danny** had moved forward and neatly side-footed the ball home (3-0). St Nicks pulled a goal back after a quarter of an hour when a little too much enjoyment at the back saw Curtis lose the ball for St Nick's only attacker to calmly lob Nick (3-1). Jay came on to replace Liam and almost immediately the substitution paid dividends. Phil tried a shot from 25 yards that the 'keeper had trouble grasping. Thirty seconds later and **Jay** leathered one that he never even got his hands to – straight through his arms (4-1)!

We were now in rampaging mode. Mike had a shot saved by the 'keeper's legs, Ricky was off target, Dan couldn't capitalise on a spill by the 'keeper, and then Mike blazed one high wide and not so handsome when presented with acres of space and time. Ian came on to replace Rick, and we continued to push forward. St Nicks did create another chance via a free kick on the edge of the area from a push by Curtis. The ball ricocheted back from the wall and out for a goal kick via an attacker's legs from the follow-up shot.

Midway through the half and **Mike** capitalised on finding another acre of space and as the ball came over from the left and evaded the 'keeper's grasp he was on hand to deftly apply the killer touch (5-1). Five minutes later and Mark played the ball forward for **Danny** whose shot from a narrow angle was fumbled by the 'keeper at the near post (6-1). Another couple of minutes and an interception by Mike and pass out to Danny allowed **Mark**, now playing in a more advanced role (wasn't everybody), to hit the ball first time to glance the ball in off the post (7-1).

In to the last ten minutes and the forwards decided that it was time to get in on the scoring act. Mike crossed from the right to the edge of the six-yard box. **Dan** neatly trapped the ball and finished with aplomb – no actually it was with his right foot (8-1). A minute later and a golden opportunity for St Nicks to snatch another goal. Three players stood offside, and the linesman chatting (no need to say who – PH); no flag then, but Nick did well to save with his feet.

Now we were in to the last five minutes and a ball in from the right found **Ricky** who opened his account with Frys with a firm, clinical finish from 12 yards out - (9-1). The goal was good, the celebration received 'nil points'; ranking alongside Dan's as pretty rubbishy. Hopefully they'll both get on the scoresheet often enough to get in more practice!

As a passing move, the last goal was probably the best. Mike intercepted a forward ball from St Nicks, passed it out to Phil on the touchline, down the wing to Dan and then inside for Ricky to pick out the advancing **Mark** who belted the ball home (10-1).

FULL-TIME: ST NICHOLAS 1 FRY CLUB 10

Afterthoughts.....saved until next week!

Avon Youth League U16s Division 1 – 13th Oct

Bamfield Sports	1 – 2	Whitchurch Sports 'B'
Brislington Juniors 'A'	7 – 0	Thornbury Falcons
Whitchurch Spts 'A'	5 – 0	St Nicholas 'A'

Avon Youth League U16s Division 1 – 20th Oct

Avon Athletic	0 – 0	Henbury Colts 'B'
St Nicholas 'A'	1 – 10	Fry Club Colts
St Vallier	2 – 3	Bamfield Sports
Thornbury Falcons	2 – 5	Whitchurch Sports 'A'
Whitchurch Sports 'B'	3 – 2	DRG Stapleton

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Whitchurch 'B'	6	5	0	1	13	8	15	+5
St Vallier	5	4	0	1	24	3	12	+21
Brislington 'A'	4	4	0	0	17	0	12	+17
Whitchurch 'A'	6	4	0	2	20	18	12	+2
Henbury Colts	5	3	1	1	16	9	10	+7
Fry Club	5	2	0	3	16	9	6	+7
DRG Stapleton	5	2	0	3	6	12	6	-6
Avon Athletic	4	1	1	2	7	7	4	0
Bitton Boys 'A'	5	1	0	4	3	9	3	-6
Bamfield Sports	5	1	0	4	7	14	3	-7
Thornbury	5	1	0	4	13	23	3	-10
St Nicholas 'A'	5	1	0	4	5	35	3	-30

Fry Club Colts Junior Football Club – 13th Oct

St Aldhelms 'B'	0 – 2	Fry Club U 11s
Fry Club U13s	7 – 1	DRG Stapleton
South Bristol Boys	8 – 0	Fry Club U 15s 'B'

Fry Club Colts Junior Football Club – 20th Oct

Boco Juniors	8 – 0	Fry Club U 101s
Fry Club U 11s	2 – 0	Castle Court
Fry Club U12s 'A'	6 – 1	Ingleside
Yate Rangers	2 – 1	Fry Club U12s 'B'
Longwell Green	3 – 2	Fry Club U13s
Warmley Rangers 'A'	1 – 1	Fry Club U 14s
Fry Club U 15s 'B'	3 – 6	Yate Rangers

Avon Youth League U16s – League Cup 2nd round to be played 27th October

Ashton Boys	Yate Utd
Avon Athletic	Castle Court Utd
Bitton Boys 'B'	Brislington Juniors 'B'
Bradley Stoke	Deerswood Youth
DRG Stapleton	Boco Juniors
Frampton Rangers 'B'	Bitton Boys 'A'
Fry Club Colts	Almondsbury
Ingleside	Brislington Juniors 'A'
Mangotsfield	Henbury Colts 'B'
St Nicholas 'A'	St Nicholas 'B'
St Vallier	Bristol Merlins
Shire Colts	Eastwood 'A'
South Glos Boys	Hanham Boys
Stoke Lane	Whitchurch Sports 'B'
Thornbury Falcons	Warmley Rangers 'B'
Whitchurch Sports 'A'	Longwell Green