



FRY CLUB COLTS

U16 MATCH REPORT U16

Number 11

Henbury overcome in bad-tempered game

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The first problem was the absence of a referee. Fortunately, Dave Webb was short of a bob or two and offered to officiate. I hate to think what might have happened if Andy had done so! Liam was 'lent' to the U18s who were playing on the adjoining pitch, and we lined up: The team was:

Nick Frost

Joe Cook Tom Hamblin Curtis Jack Mike Tarling

Rick Anstey Mark Webb Ian Field Ricky Lewis

Dan Payne Danny Hunt

Substitute: Phil Knight (Joe Cook, 46), Liam Kavanagh (Mark Webb, 65)

We pressed forward straight from the kick-off and were rewarded after six minutes with a corner on the right. Rick swung it out to Danny, on the edge of the penalty area who met the ball with a first time volley that flew only a yard wide of the post.

We were nearly caught out after ten minutes, though. Ricky tried to get his head to cut out a crossfield ball only to get a glance that wrong-footed Mike and allowed a Henbury forward a free passage towards goal. However, he elected to shoot from distance and the ball passed harmlessly wide of Nick's upright.

Although we were having much the better possession and territorial advantage we couldn't make the final breakthrough. With a quarter of an hour of the half remaining, it was Henbury who had the next good opportunity, when Mark conceded a free kick on the edge of the penalty area. Nick dived to push aside the resulting shot, and we cleared the danger.

With almost half an hour gone we took the lead. Excellent battling by Danny to win the ball saw him win the ball and set Ricky free on the left. His accurate cross was met by **Dan** who chested the ball down and beat the 'keeper with a left foot shot to nose us ahead (1-0). In the absence of Pete Hunt, a muted chorus of 'well played Danny Hunt' resounded from the massed terraces of the West Stand.

Two minutes later and a long throw from Mark was headed on at the near post by Dan for **Danny** to rise at the far post to head firmly home (2-0).

In to the last five minutes of the half and good play from Ricky down the left saw him cross for Mark to get in a shot that was blocked. However, the ball fell nicely for Dan to ram the ball past the 'keeper (3-0).

Meanwhile, Dave was not having a happy time with some of the verbals and tackling that were coming from Henbury. However, he made do with an arm round the shoulder and a word in the ear with the offenders. I think that Andy may have waved a card or two, probably in City colours, around. Joe was left hobbling after one scything challenge.

In to injury time and an effort from Ricky was cleared off the line, as Henbury avoided going further behind.

HALF-TIME: FRY CLUB 3 HENBURY O.B. 0

Two minutes in to the half and a good leap by Danny saw him win the ball and his header dropped for Dan to get in a shot that the 'keeper managed to sprawl to his left and save.

Still, a moment later and the best move of the match. Curtis played the ball out of defence to Rick on the right wing. A neat turn from Rick lost his marker and he played the ball inside for Danny to feed the galloping Joe on an overlap – all sign of a limp gone. Evading a challenge, he cut his cross back from the by-line. Although the 'keeper managed to get a hand to the ball he couldn't prevent hold on to it and prevent it reaching **Ian**, who forced the ball home (4-0).

Having done the heroic bit, Joe now hobbled off and Phil came on at left back, Mike switching to the right.

With almost a quarter of an hour gone, Henbury came their closest to scoring, Mike getting in a timely clearance that landed on the roof of the net!

Although we continued to have the greater possession and Rick was tormenting Henbury down the right flank, Dan couldn't convert the couple of chances that fell his way - deserved cries of 'Donkey' accompanying one wild effort. When Henbury did attempt to counter-attack, they found it difficult to get past Ian and Mark, let alone our defence.

With a quarter of an hour remaining Liam, having had a bit of a warm-up in the U18s 7-1 win against Mangotsfield United, came back to join us at right back with Mark making way for him and Mike moving in to midfield.

FULL-TIME: FRY CLUB 4 HENBURY O.B. 0

*Afterthoughts.....
I thought that we carried on where we left off last week - another committed performance where everyone worked hard and we interspersed some good football amongst the battling.*

Avon Youth League U16s Division 1 - 15th Dec

Bamfield Sports	3 - 3	DRG Stapleton
Fry Club Colts	4 - 0	Henbury Colts 'B'
Whitchurch Sports 'A'	0 - 4	Avon Athletic

The AYL website still showing Brislington as having been awarded an extra 3 points.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Brislington 'A'	8	8	0	0	37	4	27	+33
Whitchurch 'B'	9	7	0	2	21	12	21	+9
St Vallier	8	6	0	2	31	9	18	+22
Henbury Colts	8	6	0	2	24	14	18	+10
Fry Club	8	5	0	3	31	9	15	+22
Whitchurch 'A'	8	5	0	3	23	23	15	0
DRG Stapleton	9	2	1	6	12	24	7	-12
Avon Athletic	6	2	0	4	11	11	6	0
Bitton Boys 'A'	7	2	0	5	9	13	6	-4
Bamfield Sports	10	1	1	7	16	41	5	-25
Thornbury	7	1	1	5	19	32	4	-13
St Nicholas 'A'	8	1	0	7	8	50	3	-42

Fry Club Colts JFC League games - 15th Dec

Hanham	7 - 0	Fry Club U10s
Cadbury Heath 'B'	P	Fry Club U11s
St Philips MAS	3 - 2	Fry Club U12 'A'
Pucklechurch Sports	3 - 2	Fry Club U12 'B'
Longwell Green	P	Fry Club U15s
Fry Club U16s	4 - 0	Henbury Old Boys 'B'

Fixtures, Results and Player Details

Sep	8	H	DRG Stapleton	1-2
	15	A	Henbury Old Boys 'B'	2-3
	22	H	Avon Athletic	3-2
	29		League Cup 1 st round	bye
Oct	6	A	Whitchurch Sports 'B'	0-1
	20	A	St Nicholas 'A'	10-1
	27	H	Almondsbury (LC R2)	10-0
Nov	3	A	Yatton Athletic Juniors (Somerset Cup 2 nd round)	8-2
	24	A	Bitton Boys 'A' (LC R3)	3-2
Dec	1	A	Bamfield Sports	9-0
	8	A	DRG Stapleton	2-0
	15	H	Henbury Old Boys 'B'	4-0
	22		TBA	
Jan	5	A	Burnham Utd (SC 3 rd round)	
	12		League Cup QF	
	19	A	St Vallier	
	26	H	St Nicholas 'A'	
Feb	2	A	Thornbury Falcons	
	9	H	Bitton Boys 'A'	
	16	A	Whitchurch Sports 'A'	
	23	H	Brislington Juniors 'A'	
Mar	2	H	Bamfield Sports	
	9		League Cup SF	
TBA		A	Avon Athletic	
		A	Bitton Boys 'A'	
		A	Brislington Juniors 'A'	
		H	St Vallier	
		H	Thornbury Falcons	
		H	Whitchurch Sports 'A'	
		H	Whitchurch Sports 'B'	

F = Played the full game

B = Began the game but was substituted

P = Played in the game after coming on as a substitute

S = Non-playing substitute

L = League goals

C = Cup goals

	F	B	P	S	L	C
Rick Anstey	9	2			1	4
Joe Cook	8	1	1		1	
Ian Field	8	1	2		1	1
Nick Frost	10					
Tom Hamblin	8	1	1		2	
Danny Hunt	9	1	1		4	1
Curtis Jack	10		1		3	4
Liam Kavanagh	4	2	3			
Phil Knight	6	2	1	1		1
Ricky Lewis	7		2		2	2
Jason McCrossan	2	1				3
Dan Payne	9	1			7	4
Ben Sinclair		1	1			
Jay Slade		1	1		1	
Mike Tarling	8	1	1		2	
Mark Webb	6	1	1		6	1
Own goals					1	

PS - Congratulations to Dan and Tom on their selection for the Avon Youth Representative XI - they won 4-0 against the Woodspring League. Commiserations to Curtis who was in the original squad but couldn't make the training session and so wasn't included for the match.