



## FRY CLUB COLTS

# U16 MATCH REPORT U16

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End of season special – the end of an era!

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Remember this game? I promised a write-up, and here are the words of your leader – Andy, talking about the trials and tribulations of a football manager. It wasn't like this for Mike Bassett!

"Arriving home at 4.45, I had 12 players. By 5.00 I was down to just nine! Phil was ill, Jason had too much homework (pull the other one), Ben and Liam had family commitments, Mike had texted that he had a problem (keep taking the tablets), and Jay and Dan were injured. Tried Mattie Green and Nick Guest, but no reply. Had to wait until 6.00 to collect Curtis from work and started off to the match. Received a 'phone call on route from Mattie Green – yes, he was available. Turned round and went back to collect him, and a spare shirt. Left Keynsham at 6.20 for a 6.30 KO at Avon Athletic, and got a message from Rob Hamblin to say that Mike had made it. Reached Avon's ground at 6.45 having reached 35 mph on the way – well impressing Curtis and Mattie. Agreed to play 35 minutes each way and kicked off with Curtis and Mattie still getting ready on the sidelines."

The eventual team was:

	Nick Frost	
Mike Tarling	Joe Cook	Tom Hamblin
	Mark Webb	Ian Field
Ricky Lewis	Curtis Jack	Rick Anstey
	Mattie Green	Danny Hunt

Most of the first half consisted of us attacking. Avon had a few attacks, mainly on the counter, but with devastating results. We gained a corner after five minutes. Unfortunately the ball was hit too deep for all our defenders, who had come up for the corner. Avon cleared and within seconds had four attackers crossing the half way line with our defenders trailing in their wake. A pass in to the middle, and the ball was drilled low past Nick (0-1).

We kicked off and immediately pressed forward. Avon were having to use an outfield player in goal as their 'keeper hadn't turned up, and although he was suffering from butterfingers we couldn't manage to capitalise on his errors. Avon were making telling last-ditch tackles and winning second phase ball.

With a quarter of an hour gone, an innocuous challenge from Rick Anstey was penalised, even the Avon players not knowing why the referee had blown his whistle. Penalty! The ball was duly despatched, low in to the left corner of the goal.

So two-nil down, yet we'd been playing the ball around well and hadn't looked in any danger!

We continued to attack in waves and had shots off target and blocked, but Avon looked good when they had the ball – good control and passing – even though we had most of the play. In comparison, our ball control and technique were letting us down.

**HALF-TIME: AVON 2 FRY CLUB 0**

For the second half Rick and Ricky switched wings and, if anything, we attacked even more in the second half, piling on the pressure. Twice Rick cut inside and shot over the bar with the 'keeper nowhere in sight, Danny drilled a shot from an acute angle in to the side netting, and Curtis also had a couple of efforts.

With a quarter of an hour remaining Ricky was pushed forward to make a three-man attack, and at times it was just Joe and Mike at the back marking their two forwards. Eventually we got a lucky break when, with ten minutes remaining, and with the ball pinging around their six-yard box, Rick found **Danny** whose shot went in off the post (1-2).

However, two minutes later and another quick break from Avon and again Nick was beaten in a one-on-one situation (1-3). With about eight minutes left we carried on attacking but couldn't make the breakthrough.

**FULL TIME : AVON 3 FRY CLUB 1**



### **Afterthoughts.....**

*Poor technique let us down throughout the game which, allied to poor finishing and defending coupled with lack of composure and control in midfield has bedevilled the latter part of the season.*

*Did you realise that:*

*In the last 15 games (this was written prior to the St Nicholas match), since the 4-0 win against Whitchurch 'B' in the League Cup quarter-final, we have failed to score more than twice in a game? In the same period we've conceded three or more goals on five occasions. Scored 20, conceded 25. Not good.*

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An evening fixture that saw Rick Anstey unavailable, out for the rest of the season with a broken bone in his hand, sustained against Brislington in the Somerset Cup final. The line up was:

Nick Frost

Mike Tarling	Jason McCrossan	Joe Cook
Ben Sinclair	Mark Webb	Ian Field
Ricky Lewis	Danny Hunt	Liam Kavanagh

Substitute: Tom Hamblin (Mark Webb, 35).

The pitch was hard and bouncy and we had the benefit, or otherwise, of the wind behind us. Five minutes in to the game and no real goalmouth action, the ball just bobbing around in midfield. Ricky won a corner following a through ball from Ben after ten minutes, but it came to nothing. Then good work from Ian won a throw-in but Mark's long throw was cleared. A cross in from Liam, on the left, was also cleared but only as far as Curtis who attempted to lob the 'keeper, but the effort also cleared the crossbar.

A good run from Ian almost ended with a St Nick's player trying to shield the ball out for a goalkick, but Ian craftily nicked it and crossed only for the 'keeper to push the ball out for a corner. Joe flicked the corner kick on for Liam to hit a first time shot in to the side netting.

With a quarter of an hour gone, a forward run by Curtis ended in a shot harmlessly wide before another good ball forward from Ben saw Ricky force a throw-in. Mark's long throw was met by Ian whose shot lacked power and was easily claimed by the 'keeper.

With twenty minutes gone Mark came off suffering from a knee injury that he had picked up. Meanwhile, play continued and a long clearance from Nick was

headed on by Danny and Liam, leading to another corner. From this, the 'keeper missed the cross and Danny's header just dropped on to the roof of the net. Then, a good move from Joe to Ben and on to Danny and then Ricky resulted in another corner, as we began to string some passes together.

Finally, with a quarter of an hour of the half remaining, we got our breakthrough. A St Nicks clearance was met by Ian who side-stepped a tackle and sent in a left foot shot that took a slight deflection to go over the 'keeper's arms and in the net (1-0).

Another good move down the right flank saw Ben cut the ball back for Danny to flick the ball on for Ian, only for his shot to be spoiled by a bad bounce, the 'keeper managing to get his hands to the effort.

The last ten minutes of the half saw more of St Nicks as an attacking force. First, the ball swung out to our right flank and a first time shot comfortably held by Nick. Then Joe intercepted a cross from the left to head the ball out for a corner, before a good passing move from St Nicks, through the centre, finished with a shot from the edge of the area that was well wide. Another good move saw St Nicks passing the ball across the midfield from one side of the pitch to the other before the move ended with another shot wide.

With Mark still not returned to action, Andy brought Tom on, and we were back to eleven players.

A promising run from Ben was ended with a foul tackle, but the free kick was cleared. Ben then sent Ricky away but he was robbed as he tried to go it alone. The clearance fell to Liam whose first-time effort from the edge of the penalty area was, unfortunately, straight at the 'keeper.

In to the last five minutes of the half and a passing move down the flank from St Nicks ended in a cross comfortably taken by Nick. We then pushed forward and a somewhat scrappy first half was drawing to a close when, with the ball bobbling on the edge of St Nick's penalty area, Ian took the ball forward a few of paces. From inside the right edge of the area he hit an almost speculative left foot shot that crept in at the far post (2-0).

### **HALF-TIME: FRY CLUB 2 ST NICHOLAS 0**

An excellent through ball from Curtis found Danny who weaved between two players before pushing the ball just too far forward and losing the ball. It broke to Liam, though, whose shot was saved by the 'keeper, diving to his left.

Curtis cut out a break down our right flank by St Nicks, before we in turn broke down the left flank and played the ball in for Ian. The ball took a wicked bounce from his shot and the 'keeper was relieved to see the ball come back to him from his parry on to the underside of the crossbar.



Another through ball from Curtis found Liam whose ball inside was met by Ricky, but his right foot shot was well wide. We continued to press forward and Ian's through ball was put out for a corner. Another through ball found Jason, lurking in the centre forward position. He turned and hit a really good shot towards the far post, that the 'keeper did really well to save. From the resulting corner Danny did well to dink the ball over his marker only to then prod his shot wide of the post.

Coming up to a quarter of an hour gone and Ricky got to the bye-line to gain a corner, only for the ball to be hit comfortably in to the 'keeper's arms. Mostly, though, play was concentrated in the middle of the pitch. With rain coming down quite heavily now the ball was greasy and control difficult.

With twenty minutes remaining the ball was taken down our right flank. We had several chances to clear the ball, but didn't accept them. The ball was crossed in for a neat finish (2-1), and despite dominating the game we were now holding only a slender lead. Would we regret those spurned first half chances? St Nicks were rejuvenated by the goal and a really good effort was only just wide of Nick's post.

Ricky's ankle injury was further aggravated when he took a knock on it and he had to come off, again leaving us with ten players. Play then deteriorated in to a midfield battle of attrition, punctuated with many throw-ins. In to the last ten minutes, and Mike did well to clear for a corner to end a dangerous move from St Nicks before Curtis managed to beat four players on a forward run and get in a left foot shot that the 'keeper did well to divert for a corner. From the corner Tom had a header saved.

A moment of controversy occurred when Danny was pulled up for offside as he raced on to a through ball. The linesman had kept his flag down and confirmed to the somewhat sparse crowd that Danny had indeed been onside! In to the closing moments of the game and a promising move looked to have ended with a foul on Ian, but **Tom** rose to meet Curtis's free kick and headed a cracking goal to put the game safe (3-1) – not before time!

## FULL-TIME: FRY CLUB 3 ST NICHOLAS 1

### *Afterthoughts.....*

*My thanks to Dave Kavanagh for doing the report, while I was away on holiday. Dave thought it a scrappy game. Andy's perspective though was that we linked up well at times, particularly Ian, Jason and Liam down the left. There was also some good one-touch passing and movement particularly from Curtis, Danny and Ian. We looked more comfortable on the ball and seemed to be enjoying playing again. Given that we played a fair part of the match with only ten players, the performance was OK.*

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Although played at Thornbury the first match was nominally our home game, as we played a double-header, two games each of 30 minutes each way. With Dan, Mark and Rick injured, and Joe, Liam and Mattie unavailable we lined up as follows:

	Nick Frost		
Mike Tarling	Phil Knight	Tom Hamblin	
Ben Sinclair	Curtis Jack	Ian Field	Jason McCrossan
Ricky Lewis	Danny Hunt	Jay Slade	

Two minutes in to the half, and playing with the slope and the wind in our favour, Danny managed to get in between two defenders and get off a shot that the 'keeper blocked. A minute later and an extravagant dummy from Curtis saw a Thornbury defender on his backside, before passing out to Jay, who was tackled before he could cross. From the throw in Danny had another shot that deflected off a defender for a corner. Ricky took the kick and hit the ball to the edge of the six-yard box where Jay was tackled as he tried to get in a shot, the ball going out for another corner. This time Ricky crossed to the edge of the penalty area where Curtis was unable to turn and get in a shot. However, Ian was advancing and hit a rising shot from just outside the area that passed a couple of yards wide of the top corner of the net; so, a promising start.

With just under ten minutes gone we were faced with an interesting scenario. Tom was taking a goal kick, the Thornbury defence was almost on the halfway line, and three of our players were ten yards behind them. Tom's wind-assisted kick went over the heads of the defence and the defence appealed for an offside decision that wasn't forthcoming. You can't be offside from a goal kick. Danny laid the ball off to Jay who crossed in to the six-yard box. Two defenders managed to get back and went up for the ball with Danny who couldn't get in a clean header at goal but managed to prod the dropping ball goalwards only for the 'keeper to grasp the ball under the bar.

A minute later and from a long free kick delivered by Tom the ball arrived too quickly at the feet of Ricky for him to do anything but stab at it and the shot lacked the power to trouble the 'keeper. A foul on Jay allowed Curtis to deliver a deep cross to the far post where Tom climbed well, only to send his header inches over the bar.

With a quarter of an hour gone, a foul on Curtis – 35 yards from goal – saw Tom fire in a powerful shot, but straight in to the defensive wall. Although Thornbury managed to mount a few counter-attacks, our defence was equal to the task of keeping them out, and apart from one shot from the edge of the area that whistled a couple of yards past Nick's post they were posing little threat. However, with only five minutes of the half



remaining we had not unduly troubled the Thornbury 'keeper. Two shots from Jay, one well wide and the other deflected for a corner were all we could muster, despite most of the pressure coming from us. A back-header by Tom from Jay's long throw that just cleared the bar was as close as we came to getting on the scoresheet.

### HALF-TIME: FRY CLUB 0 THORNBURY 0

Ricky was continuing to be troubled by his ankle injury – he wouldn't have been playing if we hadn't had enough fit players, and Phil was struggling with a knee injury that he'd picked up early in the game. So, for the second half Ricky went in goal and Nick had the chance to shine at centre forward. Jason switched to sweeper and Phil moved on to the left wing.

Almost immediately Nick was on target with a shot, but the ball was safely claimed by the 'keeper. However, his clearance was long and with Ricky on the edge of his six-yard box and coming for the ball, Tom endeavoured to get in an interception and the ball looped over Ricky. He did well to get a hand to the ball but couldn't prevent it from crossing the line (0-1).

We forced a corner on the right and Danny's kick was met with a volley from Tom, on the edge of the area that the 'keeper did well to parry. A good run from Phil saw him put Danny through to win a corner. This one was delivered by Curtis and saw a header from Tom cleared off the line as we pressed for the equaliser. Then a spirited run by Nick, down the right flank, saw him deliver a good cross in to the six-yard box, and Jay – tumbling as he was in the act of shooting – couldn't keep his shot from clearing the bar. Another thumping header by Tom from a corner by Danny was off target before Thornbury managed their second effort of the half. Curtis conceded a free kick 22 yards out, but the shot was fired in to our defensive wall and cleared.

A quick break by Thornbury down our right flank nearly caught us out as the cross came in and Ricky came out only for the attempt on goal to clear him and narrowly go wide of the post. With just over ten minutes gone, Curtis made a mazy run down the left touchline and along the goal line before cutting the ball back for Phil to try a shot that was partially blocked, taking the pace off the shot and allowing the 'keeper to safely field the ball.

Curtis and Ian then got in a tangle going for the ball, allowing a Thornbury player to advance towards the penalty area before slicing his shot wide. Ben and Ian then combined to set Danny on a run that finished with a cross in to the six-yard box that that beat the 'keeper's effort to claim the ball, but Nick just failed to get a head to it. Curtis received a lecture from the referee for a tackle that on another day might have seen him sent off, or at least yellow-carded, but Thornbury were unable to capitalise from the free kick.

Danny was a foot off target with a header from a corner delivered by Curtis, before Thornbury replied

with an effort from 35 yards that was wide, and another shot from the edge of the penalty area that Ricky clasped safely.

An effort from Jay, on the turn from the edge of the penalty area was hit with power, only for the 'keeper to parry and a defender clear brought the game to a close.

### FULL-TIME: FRY CLUB 0 THORNBURY 1

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Phil donned the 'keeper's jersey for the pre-match warm-up, then elected to strap up his knee and continue as an outfield player. Ricky decided that playing with a dodgy ankle was preferable to staying in goal, so Jason went in goal and we lined up:

Jason McCrossan  
Mike Tarling Phil Knight Tom Hamblin  
Ben Sinclair Curtis Jack Ian Field Jay Slade  
Ricky Lewis Nick Frost Danny Hunt

We again had the benefit of wind and slope for the opening half, but it was Thornbury, tails up after their win that had the first scoring opportunity – a header after two minutes that just cleared Jason's crossbar.

Although we then gained a corner, Thornbury cleared and broke quickly down our left flank. Ben did well to get in a tackle to prevent a Thornbury forward converting the cross, but he managed to retrieve the ball and cross to the far post for an unmarked teammate to head wide.

Ben had pulled a thigh muscle in the challenge and came off for a couple of minutes before resuming, obviously still in discomfort, so we were now carrying three injured players.

Good close control by Ian enabled him to keep the ball despite being surrounded by Thornbury players and lack of support, before threading through a pass for Danny to get off a snap shot that the 'keeper held comfortably.

With a quarter of an hour gone, Ben went in goal with Jason moving to left wing, Danny dropping in to midfield, Curtis switching to the right flank and Jay moving up front.

With twenty minutes gone, Thornbury played a ball in from our right flank and a shot at the far post was deflected for a corner, which we cleared. Another break, down the centre this time, saw a shot from the left edge of our area just clear the bar, and then a curled shot from the right edge of our area was safely held at the far post by Ben.



In to the last five minutes of the half and Nick turned and let fly from 25 yards, only for the shot to fly a couple of yards wide. Thornbury responded with a low drive across the goal that was only just wide of our far post.

### HALF-TIME: THORNBURY 0 FRY CLUB 0

Having not really threatened the Thornbury goal to any degree, new tactics were adopted for the second half. We'd rely on the pace of Curtis and Jason at the back to get us out of trouble as Thornbury were only playing with two players up front, and play four in midfield and four up front. That way we'd have match Thornbury player for player and have sufficient bodies up front to pose a threat. That was the theory. So, the new line-up was:

Ben Sinclair  
Curtis Jack Jason McCrossan  
Ian Field Mike Tarling Tom Hamblin Phil Knight  
Ricky Lewis Nick Frost Danny Hunt Jay Slade

We started well, Danny shooting from the edge of the penalty area and the referee deeming that the 'keeper got a fingertip to the ball as it passed the foot of the upright. With everyone except Ian, Jason and Curtis in the penalty area for the corner, Mike was just off target with his header from Jay's corner.

However, two minutes in to the half and Thornbury broke quickly. Our midfield had advanced en-masse and didn't track the runners, we were outnumbered at the back and a Thornbury player slipped the ball past Ben (0-1). No panic, though. We could learn from that. Although we were playing with four up front, it didn't mean that the midfield was also going to have to play right on their heels.

Ben then made a smart diving save as Jason's attempted clearance fell to a Thornbury player who fired in a low shot. Jason headed the resulting corner clear.

With just over ten minutes gone, we at last got a goal. Jay, under pressure and falling at the time cracked a thunderbolt from the edge of the area on to the post. Who was there to react quickest and force the ball home – yes – Frosty! Running in and hitting a low shot from ten yards **Nick** did the business (1-1). This is where Thornbury's heads should have dropped and we continued to pressure them and come out winners. Unfortunately they hadn't read the script and we went gung-ho. A minute later and Thornbury were on the attack. Phil headed the ball back towards Ben who, not realising that he could pick the ball up, shaped to try and clear it, only for a Thornbury player to nip in and slot the ball home (1-2).

Good play from Jay on the left set Danny away to pull back a cross for Ricky to crash a shot against the underside of the crossbar and then fail to follow-up.

Thornbury were attacking freely now as well, as the game went from end to end. A quick break saw Curtis miss getting to a through ball down the centre and Ben

was again left unprotected as Thornbury netted their third (1-3). With ten minutes remaining, Ben was again left exposed but pulled off a good save as Thornbury again broke through the centre. Our midfield seemed unable, or unwilling, to track back and we were over committing ourselves to attack. When Thornbury broke forward and had five players against our two defenders the outcome should be obvious; fortunately, the shot was wide.

In to the last five minutes and we gained a corner; everyone up bar Jason and Curtis. Thornbury cleared and again quickly had three midfielders in support of their front two. This time they made no mistake, converting the chance to score their fourth goal.

### FULL-TIME: THORNBURY 4 FRY CLUB 1

#### *Afterthoughts.....*

*We'd failed to score against the bottom team in the league in 90 minutes, with three forwards. Adventurous tactics needn't be kamikaze; in our case they were. We could have carried on as we were. We tried something different; it didn't work. We normally lump the ball forward and at least this way had sufficient players up front to take advantage. I guess that with too many injuries and with too many players out of position we would have been better off playing defensively and going for a 0-0 draw. As it was, over the 120 minutes Thornbury defended well and consistently played the ball around well, and deserved their wins.*

#### **PENALTY SHOOT-OUT COMPETITION**

**In order of taking their penalties, with a maximum of five attempts each, the competition went as follows:**

With Nick in goal, Mark led the way with a score of four. Ian also scored four. Ricky missed with two efforts and was out. Joe also scored four, but Curtis missed with his first two efforts and was also out of the running. Rick scored with his first effort but then missed with his next two efforts to join those on the sidelines. Danny put away his first four shots but then missed with his fifth attempt. Jason scored two and then missed with two while Ben missed, scored and missed again to also go out. Liam missed with both his efforts before Mike also notched four. Tom then stepped up to show how it should be done with five out of five. Dan, Jay, Mattie and Phil were absent, so only Nick to go. Curtis went in goal; Nick missed. Competition over – congratulations to Tom who goes forward to represent the U16s in the grand final.



**Reflections on the season.....**

*We didn't start to brightly and we didn't finish at all well! In between we had a good spell. I don't think that we could have envisaged how badly the season tailed off; it was at times almost as if we had lost interest and confidence once we'd lost the League Cup final against Whitchurch. Although we did rally and put in a spirited performance against Brislington in the final of the Somerset Cup, we came to grief with our league displays.*

*So, where did we go wrong?*

*Despite having strong competition for defensive places, and adequate cover for any of the back four, we still let in silly goals at times. We also tended to rely on the long clearance too much, which meant that too often our midfield was stranded in no-man's land - too deep to support the forwards.*

*I can't criticise the effort of our normal central midfield pairing, but more often than not they had to hunt for the ball themselves and often had little off the ball running or support when they needed it.*

*All season we struggled to get in quality crosses, particularly from the left where just about everyone and his dog was tried. It was a shame that Ross never regained fitness to add his name to the list of candidates.*

*I think though that the defining moment of the season was the injury to Dan - and he wasn't even playing for us at the time! His ability to hold the ball up, and his scoring rate of 15 goals in 15 games - compared with our next highest scorer with 12 in 32 games, and only two other players in double figures tells its own story. Jay also being injured for most of the season - playing the equivalent of less than eight full games in all didn't help.*

**So, where to now.....**

*For those that want, the newly formed U18s beckon. Ben, Dan (regrettably - 'cos that's where he sustained his injury), Joe, Liam, Mark, Mike, Phil (reluctantly) and Tom have all had a taste this season. They haven't done too badly with a cup final appearance in their first season. Dave Gooding's a nice bloke and if you like scrumpy then you'll get on*

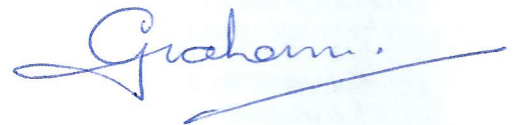
*fine with Jeff Garland. The training's a bit harder than what you're used to with Andy though.*

*The senior section could do with an injection of some new blood, if not a complete transfusion. Dan, Joe and Tom have featured regularly this season and Curtis made his first team debut last year.*

*Some - Phil for one - may be looking to take early retirement from active sport and look for Sunday work. Personally, I'm retiring from writing newsletters. I've had four seasons of doing yours and four seasons of last year's U16s, and that's enough.*

*I've enjoyed watching you play and develop - as individuals as well as players. Whatever your choice - in life as well as in sport - I wish you every success.*

**Regards**



**Finally.....**

*To the recipients of the individual awards at the end of the season - "Congratulations", I've no doubt you deserve them. To those that don't get anything, remember: football is a team game, you all contributed. Now I really have written enough - it's up to you to fill in the gaps below if you wish!*

Players' Player of the Year:

Parents' Sporting Player of the Year:

Most Improved Player of the Year:

Golden Boot:

Penalty Shoot-out Winner:

*Tom Hamblin.*

Manager's Player of the Year:

Manager's Sportsman of the Year:



## RESULTS – TABLES – FIXTURES

### U16s – appearances and goals

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	23	4	1		4	6
Joe Cook	15	5	4		1	3
Ian Field	27	3	2		4	3
Nick Frost	31				1	
Tom Goodfellow	1					1
Mattie Green	2		1			
Tom Hamblin	24	1	2		6	3
Danny Hunt	30	1	1		7	5
Curtis Jack	29	1	1		5	5
Liam Kavanagh	9	4	6	1		
Phil Knight	18	3	1	2		1
Ricky Lewis	24	2	2		3	6
Jason McCrossan	13	1				3
Dan Payne	14	1			10	5
Ben Sinclair	8	2	7	1		
Jay Slade	5	3	3		1	1
Mike Tarling	24	2	2		2	
Mark Webb	20	2	2		6	1
Own goals				2		

### Avon Youth League U16s Division 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	GD
Brislington 'A'	22	20	1	1	72	15	61	+57
Henbury Colts	22	17	0	5	54	27	51	+27
Whitchurch 'B'	22	14	1	7	46	31	43	+15
Avon Athletic	22	13	1	8	52	29	40	+23
Whitchurch 'A'	22	11	3	8	49	44	36	+5
<b>Fry Club</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>+17</b>
St Vallier	22	9	4	9	48	32	31	+16
Bitton Boys 'A'	22	9	0	13	41	45	27	-4
DRG Stapleton	22	6	5	11	33	48	23	-15
Thornbury	22	4	4	14	42	73	16	-31
St Nicholas 'A'	22	4	0	18	25	92	12	-67
Bamfield Spts	22	2	5	15	30	73	11	-43

Meanwhile, here are the outstanding results of those games played since Easter:

Avon Athletic	3-1	DRG Stapleton
Avon Athletic	3-0	St Vallier
Bamfield Sports	3-3	St Vallier
Bitton Boys 'A'	1-4	Brislington Jun 'A'
Fry Club Colts	3-1	St Nicholas 'A'
Fry Club Colts	0-1	Thornbury Falcons
DRG Stapleton	1-1	Thornbury Falcons
Henbury Colts 'B'	1-3	Brislington Jun 'A'
Thornbury Falcons	2-2	Brislington Jun 'A'
Thornbury Falcons	4-1	Fry Club Colts
Whitchurch Sports 'A'	0-1	Brislington Jun 'A'
Whitchurch Sports 'A'	2-0	Bitton Boys 'A'
Whitchurch Sports 'B'	1-4	Henbury Colts 'B'
Whitchurch Sports 'B'	2-2	Whitchurch Sports 'A'

The following games weren't played, so I've awarded the points on the basis of nil points to the team that couldn't raise a team, and three to the team that was able to, but with no goals awarded – the same as the management committee would. So, the final table should (hopefully) be the same as mine!

Brislington Jun 'A'	home	Henbury Colts 'B'
Henbury Colts 'B'	home	Whitchurch Sports 'A'
St Vallier	away	Brislington Jun 'A'
Whitchurch Sports 'B'	home	Bamfield Sports

### U16s fixtures and results

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 <sup>st</sup> round	bye
			Somerset Cup 1 <sup>st</sup> 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 Ath. Juniors (SC R2)	8-2
	24	A	Bitton Boys 'A' (LC R3)	3-2
			(golden goal in extra time)	
Dec	1	A	Bamfield Sports	9-0
	8	A	DRG Stapleton	2-0
	15	H	Henbury Old Boys 'B'	4-0
Jan	19	A	Burnham Utd (SC R3)	11-0
	26	H	Bamfield Sports	4-1
Feb	2	H	Whitchurch Spts 'B' (LC QF)	4-0
	9	H	Bitton Boys 'A'	2-1
	16	A	Whitchurch Sports 'A'	2-1
	23	H	Brislington Juniors 'A'	2-4
Mar	2	H	Whitchurch Sports (SC QF)	2-1
	9	A	Brislington Juniors 'A'	1-3
	16	A	St Vallier (LC SF)	2-0
	23	A	Westland Sports (SC SF)	1-1*
			(* aet Fry Club won 7-6 on penalties)	
	30	A	Bitton Boys 'A'	2-0
Apr	3		Whitchurch Sports 'A'	2-3
			(League Cup final at Keynsham Town)	
	8	A	Avon Athletic	1-3
	13	A	St Vallier **	0-0
	13	H	St Vallier **	0-0
	17	H	Whitchurch Sports 'B'	1-2
	20	H	Whitchurch Sports 'A'	2-5
	27		Brislington Jun 'A'	0-1
			(Somerset Cup final at Street Town)	
May	1	H	St Nicholas 'A'	3-1
	4	H	Thornbury Falcons **	0-1
	4	A	Thornbury Falcons **	1-4
			** double fixtures	
May	17	H	Fry Club Colts Managers XI	
	25	H	Fry Club 6-a-side tournament	

And finally....

.....results a foregone conclusion!!



