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Charlie was still unavailable and Jack was still in Oz. Joby was unable to go in goal because of his injury against Salford, however he came along to be an outfield sub.

The line up was:

		Joel		
Dan	Aaron	Callum	Spike	
	Josh	Sam	Chilly	Max
		Tom	Joe	

Sub: Joby

I asked Josh to swap ends if we won the toss and go with the wind in the first half, which he did. We won a throw just inside their half which was taken to Joe. He controlled it, and then skied it as hard as he could. As with Jack on tour in Devon, higher and it was over, lower and the 'keeper catches it, but this fell perfectly. **Joe** then celebrated in the old Eric Cantona way by looking around as if to say "who's the daddy" **1-0**. They then had a throw in our corner which was swung over, but not accurately enough, which meant that instead of going towards their forwards, it actually flew over everyone and into the far corner of the net **1-1**. Joe threw into their box which Tom flicked on and although Josh challenged, they got there first. Dan played a ball forward which Tom chased and pressurised their defender into conceding a corner. **Joe** swung it in from the right high, and with the wind it flew into the net **2-1**. Joe threw at their box and it came out to **Tom**, who volleyed it first time high, and just like Joe's earlier effort, from 30 yards we all watched it drop perfectly **3-1**. Joe threw a ball to the left where Spike won it. He lifted it towards the box and Dan flicked it on for Sam to head on and Chilly was in with a shot, but it was just too high. They attacked to Aaron played it back to Joel. He went for the big clearance, but mis-hit it, however luckily it cleared their attackers and Aaron kicked it for a throw. From the throw they attacked and Spike threw himself in front of the ball to block and then Joel kicked it clear. Josh pushed forward and won a corner. He went over to try the corner that he and Chilly had worked on and it came across to

Callum, and he shot, but it was wide.

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Chilly asked to go in goal for the second half, so Joel came out to left back and Spike moved forward. They forced a corner through the wind, which was swung in and Aaron stood tall to head it clear. Tom won the ball and attacked, feeding the ball into the feet of Joby. He turned and shot, but it went wide. They hit a ball over the top and Chilly cleared, but it came back into our box and a melee developed out of which shot the ball under the dive of Chilly and in **3-2**. We attacked from the kick off but a big clearance with the wind turned us and they were in, one on one and gave Chilly no chance **3-3**. Because they had a massive wind advantage we swapped around and had Tom & Aaron at the back in the middle, pushing Callum wide to use his pace. **Joe** threw into their box and we challenged, and their Manager's son tried to clear it, but only succeeded in finding the top of the net **4-3**. Sam was fouled so we pushed up and Tom hit his free-kick wide which they missed and Joby hit a shot on the turn, but a defender got in the way to concede a corner. Joe took it and they cleared, but not far and first Sam, then Max sent it back in. Joby forced a shot, which was blocked and spun wide right to where **Joe** was coming in from taking the corner and he hit it hard, and although the 'keeper got a touch, there was too much power **5-3**. They tried to get it over the top and although Aaron got his head to it, it fell kindly to their forward and he hit it hard and low, again giving Chilly no chance **5-4**. They then forced a corner which was hit perfectly to drop in the middle. None of our players challenged and they did, from three yards out **5-5**. Joe worked his way down the line, holding off a defender and chipped it to the back post. Callum went for it, as did their 'keeper, but he just got there first.

FULL-TIME : FRY 5 BROMLEY 5

<p align="center"> Man of the Match – Chosen by Andy for excellent play and effort – Aaron </p>
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Afterthoughts.....

It does irk somewhat to let a two goal lead slip twice. That said, they got four of their five with the wind, which as we know makes a hell of a difference. And for what it's worth, despite the scoreline, I really enjoyed the game. It was end to end, we saw lots of goals, and although a win would have been nice, we didn't lose!