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Big egos are big shields for lots of empty space

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We had not long beaten these in a friendly, but we warned our team that we had had players missing, as had they and that this would be an entirely different game. Aaron was on holiday, so we had the bare 11.

The line up was:

	Joby			
Dan	Josh	Tom	Joel	
Chilly	Sam	Joe	Max	
	Jason	Charlie		

Substitute:

We kicked off, played it forwards and they won it. They hit it wide to the left and a very fast player went past every challenge before crossing to the back post and another player came in to score, 20 seconds gone **1-0**. Chilly won the ball and hit it for Jay to chase but their 'keeper got there first. Then Max put consecutive balls through for Max, the first saved, the second parried for a corner. They then won a corner which was swung in high, just over Tom's head and they had a player coming in and we were down again **2-0**. Josh won the ball in defence, found Joe and he played it through for Chilly, but their 'keeper made a good save with his legs.

HALF-TIME : DEERSWOOD 2 FRYS 0

At half-time we swapped Tom and Sam around as Sam had done a lot of running and it was now Tom's turn! Chilly had really bad blisters at this point, so he swapped with Charlie to try to alleviate the problem. Joel won it and played it down the line to Tom. He passed inside to Joe and then went on down the line for the return which Joe gave and then **Tom** shot hard and high, over everyone into the far right corner **1-2**. Not long after Tom charged into the box and was

pushed, the referee awarding a penalty. Tom shot, it hit the post, came back and **Tom** returned it into the net. The referee gave the goal and then a few of their parents started to complain that no one else had touched it, but the ref stood his ground **2-2**. They came straight back at us and Dan pulled their player back in the box and the referee gave them a penalty. Joby dived the right way and got his hand to it, however it had enough power that he was unable to stop it **3-2**. We threw everything into the box at the very end with both Chilly and Josh having shots and then Charlie going for it at the back post but getting injured as they cleared it for a throw. As we tended Charlie we heard the Deerswood players asking the referee how long and he said 30 seconds, to which they replied just blow it now! On hearing that, we called everyone bar Joby into the box as we knew that this was the last attack. **Joe** threw long and everyone went for it. Their big midfielder was the one to reach it, but it was actually too high for him and all he succeeded in doing was flicking it on and in at the back post **3-3**. They kicked off and the ref blew full-time.

FULL-TIME : DEERSWOOD 3 FRYS 3

<p>Man of the Match – Chosen by Dave & Andy for excellent play and effort – Josh & Joel</p>

Afterthoughts.....

Talk about a slow start! We seemed asleep, but I also feel that a lot of it was the fact that we had beaten them so easily in the Summer, and our players thought that the same would happen again. I hope that we learn from that!

I checked the Laws of Association Football on getting home and when a penalty is taken, someone else must touch it before the kicker does again, such as the 'keeper, so the goal should have been disallowed as it had hit the post and not a person. Today it was to our advantage, but another time that could easily have been us on the receiving end. Most referees are new this season and we have to give them time to learn all of the laws.