



## FRY CLUB COLTS

# U12 MATCH REPORT U12

Number 6 If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster, And treat these two imposters just the same; Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2008

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HALF-TIME : FRYS 2 FDS 2

Max & Josh were back and we finally had everyone available (all twelve of them!). We had beaten FDS heavily at the end of last season, but they had changed since then, and the lessons of the recent Deerswood match would hopefully still resonate.

The line up was:

Joby  
Dan Josh Aaron Joel  
Sam Tom Joe Max  
Jay Chilly

Substitute: Spike

Chilly won the ball in midfield and played it to Tom who beat two challenges, but their sweeper came across and just got his toe to it. Joel won the ball and played it out to Max, but instead of going wide to Joe he turned into trouble and they were away. Joel couldn't quite catch them and the shot beat Joby 0-1. Max and Joe combined well to force a corner which Joe hit over. No one got to it and it came out to Joel. He whacked it but it was blocked back to him so he chipped it over and Tom reacted first, one on one with the 'keeper and he slotted it past him 1-1. Joe played it wide to Max who was shoulder charged off of the ball despite the protestations of their manager. Tom..... shot we think! It floated into the middle and Aaron with his back to goal flicked out his heel, over the 'keeper and we were ahead 2-1. Heading back to our goal, one of our players played it beyond Joby and they were in wide, but Joel got back fast and stood strong to make the block. Sam took a lovely corner in from the right which Aaron hit over his head but it was cleared. Then Max went down the line and played a perfect ball in, but no one attacked it and the 'keeper was able to gather it. He kicked it out to Tom who beat three players and got it to Sam. He then beat two more players and shot, but it took a deflection straight into the 'keeper. Aaron facing our goal played it back to Joby who took a swipe but only clipped it and it spun goal-wards. They charged in, but Joby recovered really well and slid in to kick it wide! They then attacked down their left, cut inside, played it square to a midfielder who didn't look, just chipped it over our defence, and the player who had started it down the left had carried on his run in anticipation of this and gave Joby no chance. It was high quality one touch pass and move, and was deserving of the goal 2-2.

Tom played a ball into the middle which was cleared as far as Joel, and he chipped it back in. It bobbled around before Sam reacted with a shot, but it flew over. They cleared the ball to Joe, who brought it down on his chest and played it into the wide channel for Tom to run into and his low shot was pushed wide by their 'keeper. Joe played the corner in low to Jay who, facing him laid it back. Joe then chipped it to the far post to where Aaron was lurking, however Sam was in a better position, he made the call, Aaron ducked and Sam headed it into the back of the net 3-2. Sam went down the line and crossed it in, Joe left it for Tom, but his shot skidded wide. A ball out was won by Joe, who managed to ride three challenges before getting to the line and crossing it in to where both Jay and tom got a touch, but somehow it managed not to sneak in. Tom stormed down the left and got in the cross to where three players waited and Sam got the touch, but somehow it was first blocked, and then cleared. After 15 minutes of the 2<sup>nd</sup> half, they had not even got into our half, and then we switched off. First a ball over the top saw a player offside, but not interfering, then come onside, win the ball and score 3-3. Almost the next time they got the ball it was over the top and they got there first to slam it into the far corner 3-4. They attacked again down their right and hit a low ball across. Joby dived out and parried it and the loose ball was hit into the net 3-5. They had scored three goals in five minutes! To make matters worse, Joby had landed badly after parrying the ball and the combination injured him badly, so much so that there was a long stoppage whilst quite a few people looked at it and he was then taken to the A&E. Jay was happy to go in goal for the last ten minutes. Tom went wide and shot. But saw it pushed over. Joe played a lovely ball for Aaron who was taken down in the area. Tom as penalty taker stepped up, drove it down the middle, but the 'keeper who had dived to his right saw it hit his leg and spin out and Aaron hit the loose ball over. Joe then pulled a muscle and we were down to ten players again. Aaron went down the line, cut inside and shot over the 'keeper. Their defender cleared off of the line, but their linesman sportingly confirmed that it had crossed the line 4-5.

FULL-TIME : FRYS 4 FDS 5

Man of the Match – Chosen by Andy & Dave for excellent play and effort – Aaron & Max

### Afterthoughts.....

*The biggest disappointment for me was conceding three goals in five minutes, having camped in their half for the previous fifteen. That said, we never gave up and had a few more chances gone our way it would have been a totally different story. Losing Joby and going back to eleven players will be a major blow and we wish him a speedy recovery.*