



# FRY CLUB COLTS

# U12 MATCH REPORT U12

Number 8

Gray skies are just clouds passing over

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Tom	Aaron	Joel			
Spike	Chilly	Dan	Sam	Joe	Max
				Brad	

After playing games short, I decided to sign on Brad in case we couldn't get eleven players. This was a good case in point, as Joby was still injured and Jay, who would have covered in goal for this game, was on holiday. It meant that our already overstretched defence again found themselves without Joel.

The line up was:

		Joel		
Dan	Josh	Aaron	Spike	
Brad	Sam	Tom	Max	
	Chilly	Joe		

Substitute:

After we had an initial attack they got the ball wide to their left midfielder and he was away. He charged down the left and we simply couldn't catch him, into the box and chipped over Joel **1-0**. We knew that they would keep trying this, but after the next time, Brad, who is also very fast, got tighter to him and then stuck with him, and the ball stopped coming. Tom tried to cross it in, but it was blocked back to him, so instead of doing the same again, he played it across field to Sam and he had a shot. It went wide, but it was nice to see player awareness. Joe took a long throw which first Brad, then Tom flicked on. Max got it out to Chilly and he shot, forcing the 'keeper to make a good diving save. At this point Josh's asthma flared up and he had to come off, taking us down to ten players. Whilst we tried to reshuffle, they hit a ball over the top and got to it first, before slotting it past Joel **2-0**.

**HALF-TIME : L/GREEN 2 FRY'S 0**

Josh, although unable to run, could at least play in goal, so a complete reshuffle was called for.

Josh

We tried to break out of defence, but it was won back over the top, and Josh came out really well to put their attacker off of his stride. Joel gave a free kick on the edge of our area, and with players on the line, they hit the crossbar, it bounced down, hit a Longwell player on the knee and went wide to where an attacker was storming in, but Josh got across and pushed the shot onto the post. Aaron went on a run with the ball and got to the bye-line before seeing his cross cut out. It was cleared and the chase to our goal was on. Tom hared back and across to them, and as the cross came in he got his toe to it, but unfortunately he deflected it inside of Josh, beating him at the near post **3-0**. At last our stratagem worked as a ball over their defence was latched onto by Brad. He touched it around the 'keeper, but that allowed a defender back and as he ran after the ball, it was cleared wide just ahead of him. They were through again but Aaron's challenge forced them wide, and then Josh's charge out forced the shot to go wide. They had another shot and this time it hit the post and Josh was able to dive onto the rebound. We put Brad through, but his shot was saved by their 'keeper, then they attacked, shot past Josh, but Tom had got back and cleared it off of the line. Another ball over the top caught us out again and it was struck low into the bottom corner **4-0**.

**FULL-TIME : L/GREEN 4 FRY'S 0**

<p><b>Man of the Match</b> – Chosen by Andy &amp; Dave for excellent play and effort. – <b>Josh &amp; Spike</b></p>
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*Afterthoughts.....*  
*9 out of 11 players gave their all for 60 minutes, however with two players missing and only the bare minimum to work with, against 14 rotating players, we really needed all 11 to fight for it. This is the third defeat in a row in the league, but I still say it was a game we could have won, especially if all of our team were available.*