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Champions keep playing until they get it right.

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Joby was still missing, but Jay was back and went in goal, allowing us to put out our regular defence. It still meant the bare eleven players, but chatting to their manager before the game, he admitted the same. It meant that we no longer had the excuse that we were tired, or that they could freshen things with changes.

The line up was:

Jay			
Dan	Josh	Aaron	Joel
Spike	Sam	Joe	Max
	Chilly	Tom	

#### Substitute:

From the kick off we played it forward to Tom and he went wide to Max on the left. He advanced into the box and shot from distance, but their 'keeper grabbed it. Tom played a lovely ball forward for Sam to latch onto, but he also shot early and was wide. A poor goal-kick resulted which Tom used his strength to muscle onto and just belted it past their keeper 1-0. Spike played a lovely ball down the right for Sam to chase, and he whipped in a lovely ball, but their 'keeper got to it just ahead of Tom. Joe put Max through with another great ball, and this time his shot hit the post. They finally had an attack and passed it around quickly, moving into our box. I didn't see who made the challenge but their player fell and the ref awarded a penalty straight away. Jay dived the right way, but it hit the inside of the post and went in 1-1. A throw was taken to Joel. He passed inside to Sam, who pushed it back wide to Max. Max played it down the line for Joe who crossed it in behind their defence and **Tom** ran in to finish off what was basically a one-touch move 2-1. There was then an almighty melee in their sixyard area with Chilly shooting twice, Sam once, Tom & Max, all of which were blocked or saved! They had their third attack of quick passing and before we knew it they were through again 2-2.

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Chilly played it wide to Spike who worked hard to beat three players in a three yard area, before laying it back to Tom, who took it onto his left and shot for the far post, only to see it go agonisingly wide. Dan cleared out of defence and Chilly brought it down well, turn and laid in Tom. He shrugged off the challenge and poked it past the onrushing 'keeper but wide of the goal. **Max** however had kept up with the attack and got to it before it ran out of play and passed it in from an acute angle 3-2. They kick off and went left, past two players and shot high, just too high for Jay to grasp and we were level again 3-3. They were on a high and attacked again, cutting in from the left and shooting, but Jay made a fantastic near-post save. Jay drop-kicked long and Sam brought it down, turned, and played **Tom** through against the 'keeper, and as the 'keeper dived in he just lifted the ball over him and into the net for his hat-trick 4-3. Joe threw long and it was flicked on to where Chilly challenged the 'keeper. Both missed it and it bounced up at the back post where Max came in and directed his header perfectly into the open net 5-3. Max. Tom and Sam worked hard on the left to win a corner. Joe played it in to Tom who passed back to him. He again crossed it, it was flicked on and Max stormed in at the back to complete his hat-trick 6-3. We lost the ball on the attack and they were through, but Jay made a guality save down low to his right. Their player hit it out but Joe controlled it and was in. Their 'keeper came out, so **Joe** just lifted it over him 7-3. Aaron & Chilly combined well to win a corner. Joe floated one over and Aaron got the touch into the net 8-3. They then hit a ball over our defence and looked to be through, but Sam tracked back to push them wide and Jay ran out to clear the over-hit ball. A bad goal-kick was pounced on by Aaron and he belted it past the stranded 'keeper 9-3.

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

### Afterthoughts.....

The first thing that I will comment on was the way that all eleven players put everything they had into this game. We didn't name the two last week, but they knew who they were and the change was excellent. Coupled with the rest of the team playing excellent football, it gave us our biggest league win for two years, and a nice boost for our beleaguered players. Two hattricks are also a rarity so well done to Tom & Max. We now face Bradley Stoke Utd in the cup and playing like this, we have every chance of making the quarter-finals.