



FRY CLUB COLTS

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Hopeless and taken we stole our new lives through blood and pain.

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After two weeks of postponing this game, and three without any game we finally made our way towards Taunton for our Somerset Cup game. It was an afternoon match, which meant that we would be without Aaron as he had a fight scheduled for the afternoon and would not have been back in time, and without Callum, on the last few days of his holiday in America. As we were entered as Fry Club JFC and not just our team, it meant that we could use any player as long as they were signed for Frys, be it Colts, Wanderers, Juniors or one of the younger ages. With two out, I felt it prudent to take Ben Watt. I used Bing maps to find the ground, but their postcode was wrong and we spent some time driving around the village. Tom and Bryn stopped for food on the way and got to the game with five minutes to spare! Max brought the old away top, but luckily I had a spare. This was cup so 70 minutes, then 20 extra time, then penalties if necessary.

The line up was:

	Declan			
Josh	Noah	Reece	Joel	
Bryn	Charlie	Sam	Max	
	Lorenzo	Tom		

Substitutes: Ben

After a bit of loose possession they launched a few crosses which we cleared, and then they broke through and Dec was out quick at their feet to clear, but then their big midfielder picked up the ball in the centre of the pitch, ran at us holding off our challenges before firing off a 30 yard low speculative shot, which must have taken a dodgy bounce as it deceived Dec and flew past him **1-0**. We finally started to challenge for the ball, Sam finding Lorenzo, who knocked it off to Tom, and he played the return for **Lorenzo** and he calmly passed it past the out-rushing 'keeper **1-1**. Bryn and Josh won it halfway and produced some nice interplay before finding Lorenzo, and it all seemed to open up, 'keeper falling the wrong way, defender going the other and he had a 10 yard open goal. It poked at it, and somehow he managed to hit it the wrong side of the post, which it hit and went for a goal-kick. We lifted the pressure but they were dangerous on the break, especially their quick right wing, and he crossed the ball, which we challenged for against their big player, but it bounced down for another attacker on the edge of the area and he fired it high into the net **2-1**. Josh and Bryn again combined well before Bryn was fouled. Tom swung it in towards the back post, but the 'keeper held it over his head, on the line. They had a free-kick on the halfway line which was launched into the box and their big midfielder tried to volley it as it dropped over his shoulder, but missed and Dec grabbed it. He launched a big kick down-field which Tom headed on, back by Lorenzo to Tom, who played it left for Lorenzo to run out to, and his first time shot was touched up onto the underside of the bar by the 'keeper, but **Tom** was switched on and had followed in, and as it bounced up off of the line, he had a one yard header into the open goal

2-2. Dec's kick was well brought down by Tom who played it into Ben and he went wide to Bryn, back into Ben and he found Lorenzo, who laid it wide to Sam on his left foot, and he hit a cracking shot which was unfortunately always rising. Right on halftime we concede an indirect free kick in the box, and it's chipped over for their ig player to power past Dec **3-2**. We attacked from kick off and Lorenzo forced his way through. He looked to go past the 'keeper who dived down, but then Lorenzo miss hit his shot and the 'keeper gathered it in.

HALF-TIME: LYDEARD 3 FRYS 2

Almost straight from kick off we came under pressure and no one really managed to connect with the ball, four despite or five attempts, and it fell to an attacker on the edge, and although Dec got his hand to it, the shot found the bottom corner **4-2**. Tom swung across a corner which Ben met, onto the left post and across goal to Lorenzo who blasted, but a defender on the line cleared. Tom swung over another great corner and this time it was Sam at the back post who headed it goal-wards, but the 'keeper caught it. With 20 minutes to go Reece threw long, headed on by Sam and Max flicked it down the line for **Lorenzo**, who held off the defender and knocked it past the 'keeper **4-3**. Sam worked hard and won the ball, chipping it wide to Tom, who headed it inwards into the path of **Lorenzo** who took it on, holding off challenges and battling through, before sliding it under the 'keeper **4-4**. They floated a free kick in which we cleared, but they attacked down the left and Bryn was adjudged to have fouled in the box, the ref awarding a penalty. It was hit low to Dec's left, but he was amazingly quick down to get a hand to it, and then as the player followed up he swung his foot at it whilst still led on the floor and forced it out for a throw. Ben hit a long ball high forward and it dropped by their defender, but hit his head and dropped the wrong side to **Tom**, who volleyed it towards the far post. I cheered straight away, but then wondered why no one else had, and it was because he had not smashed it to make sure it was accurate, but in doing so the 'keeper had a chance to scramble after it. Luckily my instincts were correct and it nestled in the back of the net and everyone joined the celebrations as we took the lead for the first time in the game **4-5**. Right at the end a ball across field was hit by Joel coming inwards, but as he's left footed it turned towards goal and was the perfect through ball. Dec charged out and their player got his foot under it, lifting it over the bar!

FULL-TIME: LYDEARD 4 FRYS 5

<p>Man of the Match – Chosen by Andy for excellent play and effort – Ben</p>

Afterthoughts.....
I had no hesitation giving Ben Man of the Match as his introduction gave us bit more power on the pitch and lifted the team's performance. He's had a good run with us, two games this year, two man of the match awards, and one game back in 2005 as an Under 8 when we originally tried to tempt him to join us (he had to drop an age and it was us or the Juniors). That was against Longwell Green when he got a hat-trick and was man of the match. Back to this game, and it's funny, I never felt at any stage that we would lose the game, but we might run out of time instead. I know that that sounds strange, but what I suppose I mean is that I always felt that we were the better team, it was just a matter of would we have enough time to show it. Luckily we did, and we are now into round two against Westfield at home.