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Just prayed to a God that I don't believe in.

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Dec had been suffering with a bug over the weekend and didn't recover in time, so Tom kindly deputised. Elliot was still injured from the previous week, so we only had the one sub.

The line up was:

Tom

Josh Aaron Reece Joel

Bryn Sam Noah Max

Lorenzo Callum

Substitutes: Charlie

After five minutes on the back foot as Bitton mounted wave after wave of attacks we won a throw on the left. Callum threw for Lore and he was away down the left, and headed into the area at a tight angle, however he spotted Bryn darting in at the back post and found him with a good pass, and although under pressure, Bryn bundled the ball over the line 0-1. The ball then dropped 25 yards out and a Bitton player hit a rasping shot straight for the top left, but Tom got over there and dived for a fantastic save. From the corner Tom saved another tough shot, but it bounced down in the middle for their player. Luckily he was facing away from goal and Max closed quickly, giving him no time to turn, and allowing Reece time to get there and clear it. They attacked down the left and Noah tried to shield the ball out, however Kieran was able to get his foot in, ride Aaron's sliding tackle and lay it off for a measured shot into the far right past Tom who was unsighted by four or five players 1-1.

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Sam won the header in the middle and Josh played a lovely ball over the top down the right for Lore to chase and shoot across goal, and Callum was just too far out to get there. Sam won the ball for Lore to flick over and Callum ran into the box with two players hauling him back before one cleared for a corner, however the ref gave a goal-kick. Our goal-kick was won back and they passed neatly into our area, however Josh did enough to put off the first shot, and the second was blazed over. They attacked down their right into our area and a low ball was fired across, which Aaron deflected goal-wards, and from just three yards behind him Tom reacted with lightning speed to catch it. A high corner saw them head for goal. Tom got a touch but it was rolling in until Aaron got on the line and cleared it. Josh and Lore chased a clearance to win a throw near their area. Callum threw it over the first line and Lore battled with it through two challenges and from two yards poked it inside the 'keeper at the near post 1-2. We won it back from the kick and found Lore who had a 25 yard shot. It flew wide of the post and might have been well wide, but from where I was stood it looked close! With a minute to go Max jumped into their player without getting the ball and gave away a free-kick. It was floated across and hit Kieran's thigh and flew past Tom from one yard 2-2.

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

Afterthoughts.....

It was a close game, and on possession alone they should have won it. That said it's not just about possession and I would suggest we had as many shots as they did, if not slightly more. As much as I am disappointed by the late equaliser, we did a similar thing to them at our place and a draw is probably a fair result.