



FRY CLUB COLTS

U15 MATCH REPORT U15

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With the season fast approaching, Dave Gooding of the U16 Colts & Andy decided to hold a small 11-a-side round-robin as a good warm up. Initially the idea had been to have four U15 teams and Four U16's, and we would hold two groups sharing two pitches, however the SEVEN teams that Andy invited all declined, so we decided to join the U16's in a big group of five. The newly formed U16 Juniors also took part, as well as Dawlish Utd who have played both the U15's and the U16's over the last two Easter's, and the new Weston-Super-Mare academy team, a squad of 20 players made up from U14's, U15's and U16's, with each game set for 30 minutes. With five teams taking part, one team always had a long break, and we were first to take ours, kicking off just before 2.00pm against WSM. Joel, Aaron, Max, Lore & Tom were all away, so Dan Howlett from Brislington and Jack Mundy from Bitton U14's kindly joined us, giving us a squad of eleven for two hours of football.....

The WSM line-up was:

Harry
Josh Ben Reece Noah
Bryn Dan George Sam
Jack Callum

This was a closely fought game, WSM looking dominant from the start and moving the ball

around very well, however we were able to cope with their attacks. As the game wore on we got more and more into it and started to create chances of our own. Harry pulled off a stunning close range save, and the was almost deceived by a high bounce, and at the other end Callum and Jack saw chances blocked and saved, and the game ended with a creditable draw.

FULL-TIME: FRY'S 0 WESTON-S-M U16's 0

The U16 Juniors line-up was:

Harry
Josh Noah Reece
Bryn Dan Sam George Ben
Jack Callum

After their first two games the U16's changed their 'keeper, putting their strong and quick forward in. It meant that their attacking potency was greatly reduced (although Josh Batt guesting up front fought a valiant effort), but what would it mean defensively? Well actually quite a lot as Elliot in goal pulled off save after save. Eventually the sheer wave of pressure told and both **Jack** and **Dan** were able to score, but the score-line was kept well within the realms of respectability thanks in main to Elliot's efforts.

FULL-TIME: FRY'S 2 U16 JUNIORS 0

The Dawlish Utd line-up was:

Harry

Josh Ben George Reece
 Noah Dan Sam Bryn
 Jack Callum

This was a very hard fought game, with fought being the key word! There were tough challenges everywhere, but none more so than in midfield as Dan put everything into every challenge, but seemed to be getting a bit over-exertive. Eventually it boiled over after two Dawlish players went in for a challenge with him and he reacted. Both the players involved in the kerfuffle were told to calm down, however Dan wasn't able to, and told the referee where to go in no uncertain terms, and so the referee did the same (in the proper terms) sending Dan off and leaving us 10 players with 20 minutes remaining. We reshuffled with Jack & Callum dropping into midfield, and Noah being employed as a lone striker and got to half-time. In the second half, with the wind at our backs we were transformed! A high cross was headed on by Sam as he was shoved in the back, and as Bryn volleyed the flick into the net, the ref blew for a penalty! Luckily **Callum** made sure, powering it into the top left. Reece then charged down the left, and almost lost his leg at the knee with a scything tackle, and this saw him hobble off taking us down to nine. With no subs at the ready we turned to Dean Howlett, Dan's U13 brother, and after a few minutes he joined us and harried defenders constantly. Our concerted pressure finally told again, and this time **Sam** headed in from Callum's corner and that's how it ended.

FULL-TIME: FRYS 2 DAWLISH UTD U16's 0

The U16 Colts line-up was:

Harry
 Josh George Reece Noah
 Bryn Dan Sam Ben
 Jack Callum

Reece bravely offered to try again, but after just a few minutes realised it was going to be too much, and so Dean came on again, joining Jack up front as Ben went into the back and Callum into midfield. We were confidently

stroking the ball around, and not really under any real pressure, however a pass from the left to Harry saw him turn away to pass right, but in doing so allowed the 16's striker Leo to dash in, and Leo won the challenge and passed into the open net. In the second half we pushed more forward and again didn't seem unduly worried, but they broke with pace and we were two down. Near the end a looped shot from an acute angle by **Dan** crept in off of the left post, but the final whistle blew as we restarted.

FULL-TIME: FRYS 1 U16 COLTS 2

Man of the Tournament – Chosen by Andy for excellent play and effort – Josh

Results & Tables

Fry Club Colts U16	-	0	v	2	-	Weston S-M U16
Fry Club Juniors U16	-	0	v	4	-	Dawlish United U16
Fry Club Colts U16	-	4	v	0	-	Fry Club Juniors U16
Fry Club Colts U15	-	0	v	0	-	Weston S-M U16
Dawlish United U16	-	1	v	1	-	Fry Club Colts U16
Fry Club Juniors U16	-	0	v	2	-	Fry Club Colts U15
Weston S-M U16	-	3	v	0	-	Fry Club Juniors U16
Dawlish United U16	-	0	v	2	-	Fry Club Colts U15
Fry Club Colts U15	-	1	v	2	-	Fry Club Colts U16
Weston S-M U16	-	1	v	1	-	Dawlish United U16

<u>Team</u>	<u>Pld</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>GF</u>	<u>GA</u>	<u>GD</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Weston S-M U16	4	2	2	0	6	1	5	8
Frys Colts U16	4	2	1	1	7	4	3	7
Frys Colts U15	4	2	1	1	5	2	3	7
Dawlish Utd U16	4	1	2	1	6	4	2	5
Frys Juniors U16	4	0	0	4	0	13	-13	0

Afterthoughts.....

In all honesty the result was not that important. What we had was two hours of difficult football, played up a year and in sweltering heat, something that will certainly help with pre-season preparations. Reece's injury was the only real down-point, but hopefully it won't be too bad. The high point however was taking the lead with just 10 players against Dawlish, and then increasing it, against a hardworking and physical team. We finished third to the Colts on goals scored, and had we beaten them, we would have won overall! Not bad considering we had an U13 and an U14 in the squad, and had no subs! Well done to every player.