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Our second game, and the only evening game in this half of the season. Reece had been ill and was unavailable, but Del made his league debut. We had had two close games with Stoke Lane last season, and they are good opposition. The only concern was the light, but it was a bright evening and we kicked off at 6.15pm

The line-up was:

Harry
Noah Aaron George Joel
Sam Ben Bryn Tom
Lorenzo Callum

Substitutes: Josh, Max & Del

After two throws down our left for Stoke Lane, we won it, Callum ran forward and drilled a cross to the far post to where Sam met it, but so did they, defending well, and it was eventually cleared. We swung over a corner, which they met at the back post to clear, and as it came down Joel was penalised for having his hands on the defender's back, something that referee's will pick up more and more this season. Callum was penalised on our left by the halfway for getting his body under the player in the air. The free kick was swung in towards the back post, and with Harry rooted in case an attacker had gotten a touch, it bounced once, up onto the underside of the left corner of the crossbar, and as it came down Aaron reacted first to clear for a throw. The ball was launched into our area and after one bounce fell high to an attacker, which meant he was leaning back for his volley and it flew over. We battled hard in the middle, it came to **Ben** 30 yards out, and he dragged the ball back around his marker, and shot, the ball hitting the underside of the bar as it flew in **1-0**. They forced a corner on our right which was over-hit, and as Andy shouted to Noah to see it out, Noah ignored him and cleared it down the left and Lore came over and won a throw. Callum grabbed it quickly and sent it over their defenders to where Ben was alert and after it a run down the line and cut in, as he crossed the ball for Sam, he was brought down and the referee pointed to the spot. **Callum** sent the 'keeper the wrong way **2-0**. Tom won the ball in the middle, passed it to Callum and he flicked it on for Lore to attack, before he laid it back for Tom, who shot/crossed to where Sam was charging in at the back post, and he jumped to volley it, but the 'keeper made a good save. Callum sent Lore away with a ball past their defenders, but their linesman flagged, however their 'keeper cleared it long before Lore could get near it so the ref played on, but then it came through our defence, and this time the flag was accepted and we had the offside decision. Noah chipped it over their midfield, and Lore challenged, laid it off to

Ben, who flicked it on for **Lore**, who ran in and dragged it past the 'keeper **3-0**. Joel and Aaron tackled hard to get it to Max, who sent Callum away, and after a run down the left he tried to float the ball over the 'keeper, but it was just too high. Callum conceded another free-kick in the same middle position, but this time an attacker won the first phase from the free-kick, and as it dropped, a Stoke Lane attacker volleyed it low for the bottom left, beyond Harry's dive and in **3-1**.

HALF-TIME: FRY 3 STOKE LANE 1

Lore battled well down the left, into the area and shot low, but the 'keeper dived well and made the save. A throw by their 'keeper out towards our left saw Noah, Max, Lore and Ben chase into the area to hound their players to win it back, and they panicked slightly and hit it forward to where Callum was covering. He ran down the left, past challenges, and his cross was reached by the 'keeper, but not enough to hold, and as it came down **Lore** bravely went in with his head **4-1**. After some attacking and defending, a ball out of midfield wide left saw **Callum** away, and as the 'keeper charged out he just clipped it past him, and it rolled into the net **5-1**. By this time we had made changes to the whole team, and the defence were still getting to grips with things when they launched a counter attack and a Stoke Lane attacker shot across Harry, but he did brilliantly to catch it considering it was going across him, was slick from the rain, and it was by now decidedly gloomy. He then threw the ball to Joel, however he wasn't expecting it and they won it back and attacked again, however we had re-set ourselves as a defending team, and were able to clear it. A ball down the line from Bryn was reached by Lore, and the linesman vaguely waved his flag, and Lore was away, and then after a pause the linesman raised it, but Lore by this time had passed their 'keeper, and although a defender had blocked on the line, Lore followed up and scored **6-1**. After all that, as we trotted back for kick off, the ref went to talk to the linesman, and then called play back for the offside **5-1**! We attacked again, and the ball came left to **Callum**, and he spotted the 'keeper off of his line and chipped from 30 yards, and although the 'keeper got something on the ball, it wasn't enough and it rolled in **6-1** (again).

FULL-TIME: FRY 6 STOKE LANE 1

Man of the Match – Chosen by Tony W for excellent play and effort – George

Afterthoughts.....

When the rain came, I did wonder if the referee would finish the game, and in fairness, he shortened both halves to 35 to enable us to finish. As for the game, in the first ten minutes Stoke Lane put us under immense pressure and could have taken the lead, but once the first two goals had gone in, I felt that we would go on and win, which we did. What was nice for me, was to be able to sub all thirteen outfield players for at least ten minutes each, with no real effect on the performance, and for two reasons; one, we face Yate in two day's time, so no player should be too tired ahead of it, but more telling, it shows the strength that we now have as a squad, and that bodes well for the coming season.