

FRY CLUB COLTS

U15 TOUR MATCH REPORT

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The final game of the group and we knew what was needed. We had to equal both the result and the score of the match between Husum and Voorschoten to be guaranteed a place in the final. Even one goal less in a win would put us out on goals scored, so we had to go for it from the start, with absolutely no room for wasteful shots or kicking the ball away in anger. We would even need to get the ball after every goal and return it to the spot, as time was going to be important.

The line-up was:

Harry
Bryn Aaron Ben Reece
Sam Del George Max
Lore Callum

Substitutes: Sam B, Noah, Tom, Joel

We attacked with a ball into Lore in the area, and after controlling it he shot, but the 'keeper made a great save and Callum blasted the follow-up over. Callum then took a short corner to Bryn, who returned the ball and it was swung over to the back post to where Lore rose highest, but his header was over. A quick run down the right saw Callum cross for Lore on the 'keeper, but the 'keeper made another fantastic save. We attacked down the right, Callum finding Lore with a perfectly timed cross, and Lore lifted it over the 'keeper 0-1. Lore then ran down the right and crossed for Callum to shoot. The 'keeper made another save and Del followed up with a shot that was too high. Callum ran down the line and crossed right to the back post which it hit, and ricocheted back across goal, hitting Lore and going in 0-2. Reece strode out of defence, and his ball forward which he ran after went near an offside Frys player and their linesman had his flag up instantly which the referee gave, even though Reece hadn't actually passed it! A quick throw down the line and Del was after it, and he crossed for the middle for Callum to get there just ahead of the 'keeper 0-3. George played a lovely ball across to Sam K wide on the right, however Lore was offside wide on the left and their linesman's flag shot up again, and again unfortunately the ref fell for it. Their goal kick was headed back by Ben, and Del headed it on for George to lift over their defence for Lore, and he lifted it over their 'keeper 0-4.

HALF-TIME: ISLEV 0 FRYS 4

Half-time on the other pitch was 4-1 in Husum's favour, so we had a two-goal cushion with 16 minutes to play. Callum was played through by Max, and passed it past the 'keeper 0-5 just as Husum scored again. Bryn went down the line, crossed it in and Sam K softly deflected the flight of the ball into the bottom left, and finally the referee ignored their linesman 0-6. A corner in saw their 'keeper and a defender clash, and the ball fell to Lore with an open goal and

he hit the post! Luckily it came back to him and he made sure of it this time 0-7. On the other pitch Husum made it 7-1 as both teams kept pace with each other. Another quality ball by Sam K to the back post and Lore rose highest to score 0-8. A corner over saw Ben rise the highest and head it down and in 0-9. This sparked some unsettlement as their 'keeper lost his temper after feeling he had been fouled and attacked one of our players, and there was a bit of a melee with our boys doubly angered after what had happened on the other pitch in the last ten minutes.

We saw the Voorschoten 'keeper on the halfway line as four attackers ran forwards and scored. We saw their 'keeper take a spot kick to a Husum player on the edge of the area for him to pass into the open net. I saw a ball down the left chased by a Husum player and a Voorschoten player slid towards the ball, stopped a good two yards short, and then laid there whilst the player went past and scored. They ended 14-1 winners, which meant that we were four goals short of what we needed.

FULL-TIME: ISLEV 0 FRYS 9

Man of the Match – Chosen by Andy for excellent play and effort – Lorenzo

Afterthoughts.....

That has to be the most disappointing and demoralising win that I have ever witnessed. To play so well and score so many, only to see Voorschoten quite literally fall over to let Husum score left the most bitterest of aftertastes. This is no reflection on Husum, their manager was apologetic and embarrassed, but as I said afterwards, what would we have done in that situation? We would have taken advantage and scored as many as possible. Well done to the team, we were excellent in our play and awareness, and my apologies to Noah, Tom & Joel. In an ordinary game they would have gotten on, but with the ridiculous number of goals going in on the other pitch, I had to keep the play consistent, and sometimes subs can disrupt the flow for a short time whilst they settle in, and in this game time what we didn't have.

5:15		Husum BK	14 - 1	Voorschoten'97	
5:15		Islev BK	0 - 9	Fry Club Colts	

		Team	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	+/-	Pts
1		Husum BK	3	2	1	0	16	2	14	7
2		Fry Club Colts	3	2	1	0	11	0	11	7
3		Voorschoten'97	3	1	0	2	3	16	-13	3
4		Islev BK	3	0	0	3	1	13	-12	0

Jon was so incensed by the second half display by Voorschoten, that when he got home he fired off some e-mails, and eventually the Voorschoten manager replied. These are an excerpts:

"In a period in the second half, some players gained sympathy for the Danish players and indeed some goals were a result of (on purpose) poor defending" and "As a summary, some of the goals in our last game against the Danish team should not have been scored. It may be some comfort to Jon that their team was to my opinion the better side than the Danish"

This manager and his players should not be involved in football. In essence, they deliberately lost so that we would not get to the final!