



FRY CLUB COLTS

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I saw an orange robe burning, I saw a youth on fire.

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Joe was still injured, and Harry our 'keeper had dropped!!! a table on his foot, so was also not there. As it was the County Cup we were able to bring other Frys players in, so Callum Hinder played for us. In the time since our last game, Max too had decided to leave, going to Brislington, which meant we had the bare 11 for the visit of Taunton North, formerly known as Blackbrook Orchard.

The line-up was:

		Tom		
	Ben	Jack	Jay	
Lewis	Sam	Hinder	Joel	
		Del		
	Lore	Boxey		

Substitute:

We had a free kick which Ben floated into the area, and Del took it down and went to shoot, but was brought down, the referee waving play on. A ball behind their defence was latched on to by Boxey, and he tapped it past the 'keeper, but unfortunately just wide of the post. Hinder then played a lovely ball through for Lore, but his shot was saved. They then cleared long and it went over everyone, Tom came out and took the player wide allowing Joel, Jack and Jay to get on the line as Ben pressured the attacker into a poor cross, and it was Hinder back there to come away with the ball. Hinder's ball for Boxey was taken on at the 'keeper, but the 'keeper just got there to hit it over our defence, but Jack made the decisive tackle. Del then latched onto a ball and played it into the space made by Boxey's run, allowing Lore to charge in, and he slid it past the advancing 'keeper 1-0. Taunton then broke away with a long ball and Tom made two close reaction saves, but couldn't stop the third 1-1. Taunton then hit another ball over the top, but this time Tom was able to get a tackle made and clear the ball. Taunton worked the ball into our

area and were just about to shoot as Hinder slid in and made a goal-saving tackle. Del then under-hit his pass back to Tom, but Tom managed to spring out to clear whilst Del ran back, and so Del was on the line to clear the follow-up shot.

HALF-TIME: FRYS 1 TAUNTON 1

After a bit of back and forth in the middle, the ball dropped to a Taunton player quite a way out, but he leathered it, and although Tom was only just off of his line, it was far enough that the ball dropped in just over his head 1-2. We had pushed up to the halfway as we worked the ball forward when they hit a ball over the top and their attacker was just too quick to catch, burying it into the bottom corner past Tom 1-3. Another long ball was chased, but luckily this was fired off of the roof of the goal. Del chased down the left wing to win it and played it back to Lore. Lore turned inside and played it to Lewis, who took a touch to the right to get a slight sight of goal, and there were enough bodies in the way that the 'keeper misjudged the shot, and it went through his arms 2-3. We worked the ball into the area and Lore took a snap-shot, but it was rising too quickly and went just over. We pushed in the last minutes for the equaliser, but they broke down the right and a cross in caught Ben's knee as he tried to stop it, and the deflection took it past Tom before he could react 2-4.

FULL-TIME: FRYS 2 TAUNTON 4

<p align="center"> Man of the Match – Chosen by Mark for excellent play and effort – Tom </p>
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Afterthoughts.....

At half-time the team asked to switch to 4-4-2, but I think this actually caused us our problems. In the first-half, our five in midfield won everything forcing Taunton's long ball play to come from their defenders, and generally it meant that our defence had time to see it and avert the danger. By going to four in midfield we were no longer dominant and their midfield had more of the ball, so the long ball came from the middle instead, and although we now had four at the back, those four had less time to see and react to those long balls, and their extremely quick forward made the most of it. As for the overall play, we were the better passing team by a long way, however as we well know from how we used to play, that long ball can be very effective, and so it proved today.