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On Friday afternoon we had the full 13 available, by Saturday afternoon we were down to 10! Ben had developed Shin Splints, George had picked up a knee injury and most worryingly, Harry had had a Heart abnormality show up on an Electro Cardiogram. Ben agreed to play in goal to give us 11, and so it was the bare team again!

The line-up was:

Ben

Jack Jay Tom

Charlie Lewis Joe Sam Joel

Lore Del

Substitute:

Early on and a ball from our midfield split their defence, and Lore was in on goal, both times their 'keeper racing out and making good stops with his legs. We were pinning Rovers back and a ball cleared to Tom was lifted over their defence, but their 'keeper got there ahead of Lore. Then his goal-kick was brought down by Sam, who ran through three defenders, but was tackled just as he tried to shoot. Sam attacked down the right and crossed, and Lewis swivelled to shoot into the bottom corner, but the linesman flagged for ball out of play before the cross. Rovers finally found a ball through our defence, Ben charged out and blocked the shot, Joel chasing the loose ball and playing it down the line for Lore to flick past the defender and race away, but his ball to Sam was cut out. Lore attacked down the line and crossed to where Sam met it in the middle, took a slight touch past the defender, and then lifted it over the 'keeper, but unfortunately onto the roof of the net. Sam played the ball in to Del who touched it down and laid Joe through, but was tackled as he was shooting and it went wide. A series of passing between Lewis, Joe and Sam saw Sam split their defence and Lore raced on to it, going past the 'keeper and sliding it in 1-0.

HALF-TIME: FRYS 1 ROVERS 0

They kicked off, Jack ran in and won it, lifted it past the defender and **Lore** ran in on the 'keeper **2-0**. Sam played Lore through after some great passing and he scored again, but their linesman had his flag up. Moving the ball forward, Joe played it down the line for Jack, moved past a defender and played it across goal, and Lore running in managed to miss the ball

totally! By this time Jack was causing mayhem and with his back to goal, lifted it over his head, turned and tackled, the ball getting through to Lore, who challenged the 'keeper, and as both fell Lore swivelled and shot through two defender's legs for his hat-trick 3-0. Lore was played through onto his right foot, and shot through the defenders legs and it hit the post! Joe played it for Lore, and he set Jack away, and he sidestepped the 'keeper to roll it in 4-0. Charlie and Joel were then forced into action and combined well to halt a promising Rovers attack. There was then a rather lengthy delay as the referee spoke to two of our and two of their officials over a lineman-ship dispute. The boys kept warm and stretching, and the play finally restarted. Sam took the ball down, used the outside of his foot and played it out to Jay, who hit it across goal to the other back post where Joe controlled it and lifted it back into the goal, and although a defender got his head to it, he was unable to stop it 5-0. Charlie turned his man, played it through to Del who was offside, but totally refused to go after it knowing that, and as they stopped and waited for offside, Joe ran after it and played it past the 'keeper 6-0. A ball out to Lewis which was beyond their defence saw Lewis run in on the 'keeper, and he steered it accurately into the top right **7-0**. Tom then went past two players and played it through for **Del** to lift past the 'keeper **8-0**. Sam then went down the line and crossed to the back post to where Joe ghosted in and calmly headed in to the back post, but again their flag was up!

FULL-TIME: FRYS 8 ROVERS 0

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

Afterthoughts.....

Half-time was a key point in this game as it allowed us a chance to speak to the players and explain where our dominance was causing us problems. We had lowered our standards to match, and the long ball seemed to be very effective which is why we kept repeating it. The problem was that the long ball was putting Del and Lore in over and over, but it was those two against the five of Rovers, and ultimately, although we had gotten a goal, we weren't looking like scoring too many more. By switching Jack up front we gave them a different problem, but most importantly we reminded our team to keep the short passing game going. The result was, that instead of two against five, we worked forward as a team and had seven going into their area, and with the quick turns and passes, we created so many more clear-cut chances, and were able to convert them. The question now remains, can we repeat this?