

## FRY CLUB COLTS



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Our first evening game of 2013 and we faced St Aldhelms. Due to a lack of players we had conceded a double header against City Supporters, however had finally managed to sign a few more, with Josh covering for Harry, and Sean & Ben joining. This could possibly be Josh's only game for us though, as Harry had been given the all-clear just an hour before kick-off, but we felt it would be unkind to Josh to cancel him so late. Lorenzo had prior commitments, but the word on the street was that it was a Friday night party!

The line-up was:

Josh

Ben Watt Jack Jay

Lewis Sean Sam Ben Worlock Joe

Boxey Tom

Substitutes: Del, Joel &Charlie

We started the game in their half, and very early on Ben Worlock slipped a ball down the side of their area for Boxey to latch on to, and he made no mistake in burying it into the bottom left 1-0. St Aldhelms forced a corner on the left which they swung in. Josh parried it out, but straight on to the head of an Aldhelms player who headed it back with interest 1-1. St Aldelms then shot for Josh to parry, and it fell kindly for Aldhelms right on goal, but somehow Josh got parts in the way twice more before Ben Watt shielded it back to him. Sean then played Boxey through, and despite being pulled back by the neck, he shrugged off the attractions, and fired through three defenders to restore our lead 2-1. Ben Watt played the ball down the line for Lewis to latch on to and he crossed it right into the danger area, but just behind the runs of two attackers, and they were able to clear. Tom was then played wide down the left, and swung an inch perfect crossfield ball for Boxey, but his touch took it just too far in front of him. St Aldelms swung another corner in and a header seemed to be going in until Josh leapt across to push it wide. Ben watt under pressure played it back to Josh, and his swing at a clearance missed the ball and it rolled on and over the line, fortunately the line to the side of the goal! They broke from our attacker and Josh parried a shot down to the

far post to where a St Aldhelms player had to score, only to see him fire it over. Then Lewis played Boxey in on the 'keeper, and he looked to go around him, only for the 'keeper to dive down and get a hand on it. They were attacking but Boxey broke it up and lifted it over for **Sean** to chase, and with their 'keeper not coming out, he fired it past him **3-1**. A high ball into the far corner saw Josh get a hand to it, but not enough to clear it, and it fell perfectly for an Aldhelms player **3-2**. Del slipped Lewis in, but his attempt to chip the 'keeper drifted wide into the strong wind.

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They won the ball off of us from the kick off, and raced forward and shot low from distance which Josh parried wide, Joel clearing it wide, however they sent it back into the middle and a bouncing shot deceived Josh and slipped past him 3-3. Boxey was sent through and the 'keeper raced out to challenge him, the ball spinning up and out to del, who hammered it goal-wards, only for a defender to get back and get his leg in the way on the line. Jack played a ball down the line for Del, he turned back for Joe, who ran in-field and passed it across to Sean, and he reverse shot for the far top left, only for the 'keeper to dive over and tip it wide for a corner. They had a throw, and chipped it into the area, and as it dropped their attacker swivelled and shot, but it looped up, over Josh and into the net 3-4. Sean then got tackled going forward and they broke into our area, but Joel slid in with a crunching tackle to stop them. We had a corner but they cleared and we were outnumbered! Joel ran left and delayed them, but Sean had rocketed back, and got in the way of the cross before clearing it.

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Man of the Match – Chosen by Mark for excellent play and effort – Jay

### Afterthoughts.....

It's a real shame that we didn't get at least a point, something we deserved. Josh pulled off some fantastic reaction saves, but then unfortunately made two errors that you could say were easier. He kept us in the game early on though so we cannot complain. Losing Ben at half-time, and Jay in the second half caused us problems, and I feel were a major part in our defeat. Unfortunately after the game Joel decided to go and play for the U18 Juniors. He had not been happy for a while, but had not wanted the team to fold, so had waited. With new players coming in however, Joel felt that the time was right. He did however state that if he was needed and they didn't have a game, that he would play, and so whilst saddened at his decision, are grateful for both the commitment and the continued support.