

## U16 MATCH REPORT U16 MATCH REPORT AVON ATHLETIC <br> V <br> FRY CLUB COLTS <br> U16 MATCH REPORT U16 MATCH REPORT

Sean was unavailable, and Ben Watt was still injured, so we had 12 players for our final ever League fixtures, a double header with Avon. We decided to play two games of 40 minutes with no half-time, this being the second! With that in mind, Del volunteered to go in goal to give Harry a run on pitch.

The line-up was:
Del
Jay Tom Jack Charlie
Sam Lewis Ben Worlock Joe

> Lore Boxey

## Substitute: Harry

Jay went rampaging down the wing and fought his way into the area, where it just got away from him. They switched play and then attacked down the wing, with Jack working very hard to get into the area and slide in to concede a corner. Del drop kicked and it came down to Joe, who took a touch towards goal and powered it across, and Boxey got a touch, but lifted it up over the crossbar. Jack played it wide to Joe, in to Lewis and he went wide to Sam, who stepped over the ball and Harry was away, however he shot very early, and also wide. They attacked down their left, crossed in to the right, before being returned to the middle for a shot, and Del saved well. They hit a ball down their left and Jack was always a step behind and had his hand on their shoulder as they came into the area, and down they went for a penalty. Del guessed well and dived to his left, even getting a hand to it, but it was not enough to keep it out 1-0. They kept up their first game tactic of the long ball, and their fast winger was away again, and although Del came out, he went around him and passed it into the open net 2-0. They went long down the right, crossed the ball across the
face of the goal to their left, and then played it back to the middle, and it was hammered goal-wards, Del not quite able to stop it 3-0. They attacked down our left, but Tom did really well to get there and take it off of them, past two players and then played a one-two with Lewis before playing it to Joe, and he in turn found Boxey in the middle, but his shot was high. Boxey was tackled strongly in the area, and it looked like a foul, so he complained to the ref in very strong language, and fortunately after a bit of pleading, he only received a yellow card. Sam then forced his way into the area and appeared to be crunched, and a bit of a melee broke out, Sam got a yellow card, Joe got a yellow card, Lewis got a yellow card and Mark was ordered off of the pitch! Jack played it back to Del, and he kicked to Tom under pressure who hit it onwards, but they got it and smashed it high towards goal, Del recovering in time to catch it on the line. Boxey got the ball, ran past three player and smashed a cracking shot, but it was just wide of the right post. Boxey won the ball wide on the left and ran across goal, losing it right in the middle where Tom was, so he swung with his right, and it rolled with little power towards goal, but just like in cricket, the slower ball seemed to confuse the keeper, and it rolled under his body 3-1.

FULL-TIME: AVON 3 FRYS 1
Man of the Match - Chosen by Andy for excellent play and effort - Tom

## Afterthoughts.

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Afterwards Lewis kindly lied into the Dictaphone, saying that it had been a privilege to work with me and what a great season it had been, and Joe said that he loved me, and that when I listened to that, I would think of him! As to the match, it was just like the first, we played nice football, but their long ball tactics got the goals! I was astounded to pick up four yellow cards and a red considering that we had received none all season, but that was just the sort of day that it was! Not the result that I wanted to finish eight years of League games with, but even at the end the lads seemed to enjoy it!

