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So this was the BIG one. Five games in and at last we faced Keynsham!

The Game 1 line-up was:

Ethem

Ollie Kaylum

James Aran

Substitutes: Charlie, Aaron & Adam

A Keynsham throw back to their defender

was headed on, and their 'keeper caught it in the crook of his arm, and then dropped it, but it bounced harmlessly on the line and he quickly scooped it up. A good bit of sustained pressure by our players and particularly Kaylum led to the ball getting to Aran who shot from distance, but the 'keeper was able to save. Keynsham forced their way to our area and Ollie did well to hold them up, before **James** played it through goal, Ethem's leas towards but then recovered, attacked down the right wing the length of the pitch and fired it low past the 'keeper 1-0. We had the ball and passed it to Kaylum, but unsure where to go he passed backwards to no one and they were through, the striker rasping his shot high, down off of the underside of the bar, and as it bounced up Ethem spun around and caught it. Aran won the ball on the edge of our area and raced forward, playing the ball past the last defender and running around him, before

closing in on goal and hammering his shot past the 'keeper **2-0**. Ethem passed the ball out to Aran, who in turn passed it down the line for Charlie who sprinted to cross the ball, but no one was able to get on the end of it. Adam then used his strength to battle through their players before the ball came to Charlie, but his shot flew just wide. Aran threw to Charlie who turned his man, went past another, but was unable to beat the 'keeper with his shot. Their 'keeper dropkicked out and Aran won the ball, but his high shot was well saved.

HALF-TIME: FRYS 2 KEYNSHAM 0

Keynsham attacked in numbers but no one seemed to want to challenge, and the shot took a deflection to roll past Ethem 2-1. We were defending well and James passed to Charlie who found Kaylum with it, and he passed forward but it was cut out. They then broke quickly down the left wing and shot low across goal, and Ethem stuck his foot out and did enough to touch it wide. Under pressure we cleared it and Aaron & Aran (who keeps putting them in the same team?) were after it, **Aran** getting there first before running on and firing it past their 'keeper Keynsham responded instantly with pressure and a shot, which flew just past the post. Ethem was then exposed one against one, came partway out of his goal, and then dived really well to his right to save the low shot. James was defending and hammered the ball clear, unfortunately off of the Keynsham player's knee and it ricocheted back over everyone and in off of the underside of the bar **3-2**. Keynsham exerted some pressure and forced the ball into the net 3-3. From the kick off **Aran** attacked and kept going and going into their area and fired it past their 'keeper **4-3**.

FULL-TIME: FRYS 4 KEYNSHAM 3

Man of the Match – Chosen by Andy for excellent play and effort – Adam & Aran

The Game 2 line-up was:

Keanu

Liam Bartus

Cory Bradley G

Substitutes: Finlay, Bradley W & Kruz

We kicked off and attacked into the left corner before Cory emerged with it and fired it past the 'keeper 1-0. From the restart, Liam charged in and won the ball, attacked down the right side and fired his low shot across the 'keeper 2-0. We attacked into the right, Liam and Bradley G combining well before the ball rolled across the face of the goal and **Bartus** leathered it past the 'keeper **3-0**. Kevnsham then attacked down the side of the pitch and shot low, however Keanu was equal to it and dived low to save near his Bradley G broke all the way from defence and got to goal but was tackled, then he won it back, attacked again and this time Liam was unable to finish the move. From a throw Bradley G took the ball, attacked and shot, and although the 'keeper parried it he didn't pick it up and so Bradley G followed up to score 4-0. Liam threw for Bradlev G to attack and shoot, but the 'keeper saved well. We attacked and lost it and no one worked back as their danger player surged forward and hit a powerful shot, and although Keanu dived and got a hand to it, he was not able to keep it out 4-1. Liam took a corner and it came to Kruz who shot, but the 'keeper made a good save, and their danger player was away, all the way down the pitch and hammered his shot in off of the post 4-2. We had a throw on the right which was taken across the face of the goal towards Bradley W, and he spun and caught it perfectly, however it was close to the 'keeper and he saved. Good skill though! Liam battled well with their danger man in their half, both eventually falling to the ground, however Kruz reacted quickest and was in on goal before firing it past the 'keeper **5-2**. passed to Liam and he shot speculatively

from the halfway line, however impressively it hit the post!

HALF-TIME: FRYS 5 KEYNSHAM 2

Keynsham changed their formation and put their danger player in goal. We overcommitted and Kevnsham were however Keanu charged out and forced them to shoot early and wide. Bradley G broke out of defence and ran the whole length of the pitch until he was two yards away from goal with the 'keeper rooted to his line, and with the whole goal gaping..... and he shot straight at the 'keeper! Keynsham then mounted some pressure and ended with a shot, which Keanu looked to dave covered, however Bradley G stuck out a leg to try to stop it and only succeeded in deflecting it past Keanu 5-3. A rasping shot was brilliantly parried by Keanu and it dropped to Bradley G who tried to dribble out of defence, however he was tackled and they blasted in from close range **5-4**. Kruz attacked and was forced wide with his shot as the 'keeper ran out to him, but then Liam won it and from the acutest of angles shot in 6-4. Liam then went looking for another, but this time their 'keeper dived to pull off a magnificent save. Liam then attacked again, and again was matched by their 'keeper's great save. A throw on the left side came to **Liam**, and he took one touch to the right before firing low, and despite the 'keeper's great saves, he wasn't saving that one **7-4**. We threw to **Bradley** G, and he swivelled past three players, and then fired low into the bottom corner 8-4. Keynsham attacked again and Keanu was out quick to win it and push wide to Bradley G and he passed down the pitch to Kruz who went past the defender before shooting low and into the net 9-4.

FULL-TIME: FRYS 9 KEYNSHAM 4

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OVERALL: FRYS 13 KEYNSHAM 7

Afterthoughts.....

That was brilliant. Gaz and I can see the improvement in every player on a weekly basis, not just their ability, but also their awareness on the pitch of what they need to do. If every player can continue to improve at the rate that they are, we will be up to competing with most teams on a regular basis. Well done to everyone.