



# **FRY CLUB COLTS**

## **U7 MATCH REPORT U7**

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21 games into the season and finally we had all eighteen players available. It was also the introduction of our first proper Home kit, and many thanks go to Nedim & Ula of Pomegranate Café Restaurant for their sponsorship. With both of those planets aligned we were able to align a third as Andy came along, bought his camera for the photo (see at the end) and dictated the Match Report.

The Game 1 line-up was:

Ethem (Finn)

Finn

Charlie Kruz Aaron

Substitutes: Cory, Bradley G, Liam & Bartus

A ball was played into the left corner which Charlie was the first to reach and he lobbed a high ball goalwards which came down and bounced up off of the post, but unfortunately the 'keeper reacted faster than any others nearby to save it. We looked the pass the ball around in our half, but then a stray pass was struck fiercely and Ethem saved well with his knees. They took corner to a player on the edge of the area, and we had all four defenders in the area, but seeing he was about to shot, and doubtless not wanting to get hit by the ball, none of them closed him down and he shot through a gap and into the corner past an unsighted Ethem **1-0**. Kruz relieved our pressure with a great ball forwards for Charlie and he pushed it past the last defender and went on for it, but another defender got back and his shot was deflected wide. Ethem rolled the ball left to Finn and he passed it right to Aaron who in turn found Charlie on the halfway line. Charlie went through a tackle and shot, which was saved by the 'keeper, however it ended a great passing move which included four out of the five players, rather than just one long ball hoofed forwards.

Mangotsfield were awarded a free kick just outside of the area and one of their players leathered it hard and high over everyone and into the top corner **2-0**. Bradley sent Liam clear, but he elected to shoot from distance and it flew well wide. Cory as last man controlled their forward ball, but then was tackled, and the first shot was saved by Ethem, the second hit the post, and then a 50-50 ball was won by Ethem to prevent the third goal. Liam attacked and was pushed wide to the left. Everyone shouted to pass to Bradley who was free in the middle, however **Liam** elected to shoot, and the ball cannoned off of the 'keeper and into the net **2-1**. A ball out from their 'keeper was won by Bartus, and his pass found Bradley, but his shot was just wide.

**HALF-TIME: MANGOTSFIELD 2 FRYS 1**

Charlie attacked but was tackled as he went to shoot. They were then played through but Finn, who was stood there yawning, opted to stay on the line, however their shot was high and hit the crossbar and flew over. From our corner they cleared and were away, and although Finn came out to narrow the angle, their player took the ball around him and slid it into the empty net **3-1**. We hammered a corner in, but again they won it, again they were away, again there were no defenders back and this time the forward smashed it low past Finn **4-1**. Ethem had the ball in our half, and turned back to pass across the pitch, but they intercepted it and shot, only to see Finn make a great save. Ethem won the ball, passed it to Kruz and he returned it to Ethem who shot from halfway, but it went just wide. We lost the ball and only Ethem was back, and as they attacked, our other three players stood and watched, making no effort to get back, and after passing it past Ethem, they shot past the onrushing Finn **5-1**. They attacked down the pitch and crossed it, it hit Charlie and flew towards goal, however Finn caught the ball. **Charlie** had the ball just in their half, and he hit it hard and high, over their 'keeper and into the net **5-2**. **Bradley** worked his way through two defenders and stabbed the ball past the 'keeper **5-3**. **Liam** won the ball on the halfway line with the help of Bradley and then ran through and shot hard early and the ball flew in **5-4**. Liam went down the left, turned back and crossed for Cory to shoot which was saved, and then Bradley shot, but the defender blocked the ball on the line. Liam threw high into the

area and it bounced up between the defender and 'keeper and none were clearing it so **Liam**, who had run in after the ball smashed it from an acute angle to equalise **5-5**.

**FULL-TIME: MANGOTSFIELD 5 FRYS 5**

**Man of the Match** – Chosen by Mark & Paul for excellent play and effort – **Charlie**

The Game 2 line-up was:

Keanu  
Adam Kaylum  
Bradley W Ollie

Substitutes: Tyler, James, Aran & Tristen

They attacked early with numbers and got through, and although Keanu came out well to make the save, it fell loose to another attacker who scored **1-0**. We were attacking and they broke, however Adam chased back well, Keanu rushed out and Kaylum also charged in, and the combination of the three saw Kaylum eventually clear the danger. They broke and only Adam was back, and after getting past him, they shot early as Keanu looked to narrow the space **2-0**. History repeated as they broke with three players and just Adam was back, however he timed his challenge well and won the ball, before clearing the danger. Mangotsfield passed the ball well, using the full width of the pitch, and an initial shot hit the post, however they kept passing and found a free player with a simple tap-in **3-0**. Keanu rolled the ball to Adam, however his pass was misplaced and their attacker was in, however Keanu made a great save. Keanu then rolled the ball to Tristen, and he passed down the line to James, who crossed first time to Aran, but he was crowded out as he went to shoot. It was another nice passing move however. Tristen found Tyler with a pass, and then his ball through their defence set James away, but his shot was straight at the 'keeper. Aran then intercepted a ball out to the left, cut in onto his right foot and shot, but it went just past the post. James ran wide to the right, was fouled but kept going and then found Aran with the ball. Aran couldn't see a way forward so passed it to Tyler who shot hard and high, but unfortunately too high.

**HALF-TIME: MANGOTSFIELD 3 FRYS 0**

Kaylum and Ollie combined well to get forward before the ball found its way to Bradley, who shot high, it bounced over the 'keeper but then hit the crossbar and bounced down for the grateful 'keeper to grab. Two attackers advanced on Adam, but again he stood his ground and timed his tackle well. We worked the ball from a Keanu throw on the right of his area, however we lost it halfway, and Keanu, unsighted had still not made his way back into the middle of the goal, so their long shot to the right post crept in **4-0**. A ball forwards hit the back of Ollie's legs and rolled back for their player to shoot,

however Keanu dived well and pushed it around the post. **James** won the ball on the left, and then rode three defender's challenges, before shooting high past the 'keeper **4-1**. Aran was played in to his left foot and he shot, however their 'keeper made a good save. We were penned in but trying to pass it out, but then an attacker won it and drove the ball through the crowd and it was in **5-1**. Tyler won the ball from their throw and his pass set Aran away, however their 'keeper stood tall and made the save.

**FULL-TIME: MANGOTSFIELD 5 FRYS 1**

**Man of the Match** – Chosen by Gaz & Lee for excellent play and effort – **Adam & Keanu**

**OVERALL: MANGOTSFIELD 10 FRYS 6**

**Afterthoughts.....**

*At last we had the full squad available, which meant that every player had an equal 20 minutes on the pitch and 20 minutes as substitute so no one tired and we had time to instruct players rather than just shout. The aim is to do this for two seasons, and then we grow as U9's to seven-a-side without the need to recruit players and move to two substitutes per match.*

*As for the match itself, we played well and continued to improve as we look to pass the ball, but still many players are too timid, either not closing down their players, or not reacting quickly when compared to them. Again I know that most teams have two year's experience on us, and so this is something we must work hard on to catch up, as our play and ability matches many teams.*

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