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Number 22 - **You've got to learn the five d's of dodgeball: dodge, duck, dip, dive and dodge!** - Sunday 10th May 2015

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This was the last match of our first season of matches. We were at Home and only Kruz was unavailable.

The Game 1 line-up was:

Keanu (Kaylum)

Adam Tyler

James Ollie

Substitutes: Bradley W, Aran, Tristen & Kaylum

James threw the ball down the line for Tyler, and he lifted it into the area towards Ollie, but he was unable to make meaningful contact. Keanu rolled out to James, and he spotted Kaylum in the clear, finding him with his pass, but the final shot was straight at the 'keeper. Keanu rolled out to Adam on the left, and he passed across the pitch to James, and after attacking down the line he shot, but the 'keeper managed to hold on to it with Kaylum following in for any rebound. Keanu threw to James and he passed it inwards for Adam, who found Kaylum with a threaded pass through the middle, but he was tackled as he went to shoot. James intercepted their attack and countered, only to see his shot pushed around the post by their 'keeper. A poor pass out was caught by Kaylum who shot, it hit the 'keeper and bounced on towards goal, however the defender on the line cleared it. A ball played into Aran saw him turn past the defender and shoot, but again the 'keeper saved. Tyler cleared their attack and **Aran** was after it, jinking left and right with the defender turning his back and then unleashed a shot that flew low past the 'keeper **1-0**. We were defending but **Aran** stole it off of their defender and was away, before running in at an angle

towards goal, and blasting it high through the 'keeper's hands and into the back of the net **2-0**. From the kick their attacker ran straight at us, shooting through the crowd which meant that Keanu saw it late and it was in **2-1**. Keanu rolled it to Tristen who in turn found Bradley up the pitch. He passed it inside to Aran whose forward ball found Tyler, and he crossed for Bradley, just as the whistle blew.

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A throw from James bounced over their defence to Keanu who spun and shot, and again their 'keeper saved. James had another throw and this time pointed to where he wanted Keanu to run. **Keanu** duly did so, James' ball found him and he blasted it low under the 'keeper **3-1**. We lost the ball attacking and suddenly their man was in on goal. Kaylum waited until he reached the edge of the area and then charged out and swooped to pick up the ball. We dallied with the ball, and an Ashton player stole it and shot past Kaylum **3-2**. Aran won the ball and attacked into the area, his shot parried by the 'keeper but he got it back and saw his shot blocked by a defender out to **Bradley**, and his shot found a path to goal **4-2**. Ashton attacked en masse and we were defending well, but eventually a shot found its way through **4-3**. We were defending well, but they spread the ball right, attacked the line and crossed, and with two players free at the back post it was inevitable that one would tap it in **4-4**. Three of their players were through against Tristen and he fouled the one with the ball, however as their Management called for a free-kick, the other two ran on and with the referee playing a good advantage, their attacker smashed it in **4-5**. From the restart Aran attacked through two players, but his shot hit the defender for a corner.

FULL-TIME: FRY 4 ASHTON 5

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

The Game 2 line-up was:

Bradley G (Cory)

Charlie Cory

Aaron Liam

Substitutes: Finlay, Ethem & Bartus

Ashton started with a cross field ball from right to left which saw the attacker swing his leg at it, and the ball cannon back and out off of the crossbar with Bradley rooted to the spot. Bradley threw to Liam, and he played a great ball through their heart for Cory to latch on to, but their 'keeper managed a save. Charlie in defence spotted Aaron away, and his ball down the line resulted in Aaron shooting wide. Charlie then received the ball midway in their half and elected to shoot, but it went narrowly wide. Cory chased a ball towards their big defender and just bounced off of him! That defender than powered a shot, but Bradley was in line with it. The ball appeared to be going out on the right but Aaron chased and kept it in, finding Cory down the line and he crossed in towards **Liam** and the ball was soon nestling in the bottom corner **1-0**. From the kick they shot early, Liam swung a leg and missed, but the movement distracted Bradley and it dropped through his legs and in **1-1**. A corner was swung in, Bradley came for the punch but missed and it hit the knee of an Ashton player and bounced in **1-2**. Cory played the ball down the line for **Finn** to chase, and through sheer determination he fought through two defenders to shoot, beating the 'keeper at the near post, and the resulting look of shock on his face was priceless **2-2**. Ashton had a throw on the right and all four of our outfield went close to it, which meant that when none of them reached the throw it rolled through to an unmarked attacker in front of goal **2-3**.

HALF-TIME: FRYS 2 ASHTON 3

We swung in a corner which saw shots from both Charlie then Liam blocked, before it came out to Bradley to shoot high, and their defender made a great diving save... but with his hands, and **Bradley** despatched the penalty with aplomb **3-3**. Bradley attacked, found Charlie whose shot was blocked, as was Liam's, however it came back to **Bradley** and he stabbed it through the crowd **4-3**. Liam was through and saw his shot parried to Bradley, and he was tackled as he shot which saw the ball go just wide. Bradley found Aaron down the line, and with calls for him to cross it, he instead elected to shoot, and the ball was saved for a corner. A ball was heading out for their goal-kick, but the defender chased and stopped it on the line. His momentum carried him on enough for Bradley to pull it back and fire it across goal; however no one managed to get the telling touch. The ball came to **Liam** wide on the right,

and he chipped the ball, over the defence, over the 'keeper and it dropped in at the far post **5-3**. Bartus won it halfway, looked like he was going to shoot, however advanced before shooting and the 'keeper saved well. **Bradley** fought his way through two defenders who kept trying to block, and in the end he deftly chipped it over them as they threw themselves in the way **6-3**. Bradley then charged in from the restart, won it past a player and shot from distance, the ball rolling just wide. Bartus controlled their clearance and then found **Bradley**, who jinked through three defenders before calmly flicking the ball past the advancing 'keeper **7-3**. Bradley advanced against the last two defenders, and as they came to tackle he slipped it right for Ethem who had two attempts, the first parried and the second saved.

FULL-TIME: FRYS 7 ASHTON 3

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

OVERALL: FRYS 11 ASHTON 8

Afterthoughts.....

There was disappointment in the first game, letting a two goal lead slip twice, the second time to three unanswered goals to lose the game. That said we played really well, and their 'keeper had a massive part in their win as we could have been out of sight against a lesser 'keeper. It was also one of the best displays of team passing we have seen this season from this group of Red players and shows great understanding and learning.

As for the second game, the Blue team took the lead against the run of pressure, and could have been quite a few goals down through their dominance, but we rallied and eventually became the strongest team as the game wore on and were deserving winners, with the final goal from Bradley worthy of a much more mature player.

It was great to end our first season of games with a win, against a nice team and in a fairly even overall match. It has been a mixed season for me with personal health reasons leading to me missing the majority of the second half, however as the end came I was able to get to games again, and the difference in both the players and their team understanding was tangible, and a lot of credit must go to Gaz, Lee, Mark, Paul and Sam as well as Phil Rochford-Smith from the Somerset FA who has put a lot of time and effort into Supporting, Coaching and Mentoring everyone in my absence so thank you everyone and well done all, and here's to another great season next year. Andy