

Number 6 - The ghost of a steam train echoes down my track - Sunday 11th October 2015

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The first visit of the season for our local rivals, the keenly anticipated derby! We were hoping to catch up with Kruz, however Keynsham have enough players that they can field two different squads, and this was not his week. Missing was Fin Wilson.

The Game 1 line-up was:

Bradley G

Tristen Tyler

Aaron M Keanu

Substitutes: Cory, Liam, Fin M & Bartus

Bradley passed right for Tristen, and first time he passed across the back line to Tyler, who had a free run as Keynsham had all followed the ball to Tristen. Tyler ran down the wing, however elected to shoot with his right, and so couldn't get the angle and the shot went wide. Keanu had it under pressure in our half and so intelligently passed it backwards to Tristen, who was facing the right way and passed through the crowd to Aaron who went for the first time shot, but it was saved by the 'keeper. Tristen passed the ball down the line for Tyler, and tried the toe poke, but this time at the 'keeper. Liam won the ball, ran through but shot wide. From the goal kick both Liam and Bartus applied pressure and it was Liam who emerged with the ball and hammered a shot past the 'keeper and into the bottom corner 1-0. Keynsham had a corner and we cleared for Liam who was away down the right, but the 'keeper made a smart save at the near post. We attacked in number and the ball went left to Bartus, however rather than shoot he looked to pass inside to Liam who shot with his wrong foot and the ball just missed the left post. The ball went left and **Bartus** was after it, dragging

the ball back, before turning onto his right, forcing his way through two players and then smashing the ball past the 'keeper **2-0**. Bradley in goal was playing as a sweeper when we attacked, and was out quickly when Keynsham broke away after a long ball to win it and calmly pass clear.

HALF-TIME: FRYS 2 KEYNSHAM 0

Tyler and Tristen both attacked a ball played into the right wing, and then as they approached they both ran away thinking that the other player was going to get it! A pass to Keanu was retrieved and then passed inside to Aaron who controlled it and passed forward to Tyler who shot just wide, but it was nice build up play. A corner swung in was hit by Aaron, and then came to Tristen, but his shot went just wide. Aaron and Tristen combined to set Tristen away, and then he, the defender and the 'keeper all came together at the ball with a mass heap the result, however **Tyler** had followed the play and so was on hand to knock the loose ball into the net **3-0**. As we were guite dominant we over extended and suddenly three Keynsham players were away, however Bradley came swiftly out and stuck out a foot to deflect the shot wide. Our goal kick was running to their players; however Tyler fought for it and got the ball to **Tristen** who ran at goal under pressure, but held the player off before blasting high into the net **4-0**. Cory won the ball in their half and facing our goal, however swivelled and passed across field into the path of Liam's run and his shot was just wide. Bradley passed the ball left for Cory who ran forward, came to their big defender but crossed just in time, and it was met by Bartus, but his shot went into the side netting. The ball came to Bartus, and he looked like he would pass it but didn't and he was then tackled with our players all forward, and this time Bradley could not stop their attack **4-1**. Cory threw to Liam in the corner, and he turned to face two players, saw the run of Cory so crossed across goal and Cory ran on to it and smashed it home from close range **5-1**. We were defending and then got it clear to where Liam and Bartus waited, and although they had the option of two verses one defender, Liam was never going to pass and

powered it past their 'keeper **6-1**. We overextended again and this time Finn brought their player down just outside the area to stop him. The free-kick was blasted high, and although Bradley got a hand to it, he could only tip it onto the underside of the bar and it fell in **6-2**.

FULL-TIME: FRYS 6 KEYNSHAM 2

Man of the Match – Chosen by Andy for excellent play and effort – Liam

The Game 2 line-up was:

Cory

Kaylum Charlie

Ethem Bradley G

Substitutes: James, Aran, Bradley W & Fin Willsteed

From the kick off, Bradley G took the ball, ran through their defence and calmly passed past their 'keeper **1-0**. From the left side Ethem passed back to Cory who passed the other way to Charlie, who found Bradley G running through; however his shot was saved by the 'keeper. His pass out was to a player not sure what to do, and Bradley G nipped it off of him and passed it past the 'keeper 2-0. From the kick they passed it backwards and **Bradley G** was after it, closing down their players and winning it, before advancing on goal and making sure 3-0. A throw from Keynsham was intercepted by Ethem, who smashed a high shot, but it was just wide. We attacked in numbers and this time Charlie saw his shot blocked to Kaylum, whose shot was also blocked and finally cleared. Bradley G ran down the right with Kaylum matching his run on the left as support, however Bradley G elected to shoot alone, and beat the 'keeper at his near post 4-0. James threw and Aran was away, but his final shot was at the 'keeper. The 'keeper rolled the ball out, but their defence was slow to react and so James ran in, won the ball and smashed it past the 'keeper 5-0. Keynsham broke forward and from the angle shot, which hit Cory's head and flew up and wide! Aran ran down the left and shot, which was saved out to James, who shot high past him, it hit the stanchion, came back down, hit the 'keeper on the back and went in 6-0. James advanced, passed the ball to Bradley W who controlled it, but leathered it wide. Bradlev W attacked down the wing, crossed to James who controlled it to Aran, and he shot low into the corner **7-0**.

HALF-TIME: FRYS 7 KEYNSHAM 0

Kaylum and Charlie kicked off, passed back to Bradley G who then passed forwards to Charlie who played in Kaylum, however the 'keeper just got there ahead of him. A goal kick came to the defender on the edge of the area and Charlie pounced, winning the ball and slamming it into the net 8-0. Kaylum, Charlie and Bradley all attacked, passing between them and taking shots. In the end, it looked like it could have been over the line. however the referee gave the defending team the benefit of the doubt and unlike the previous week, there were no complaints from our side. They were attacking but Charlie won it and attacked down the line, crossed it over, it came to a defender but Bradley G pounced 9-0. We forced them back again, and **Kaylum** powered his way through before knocking it past the 'keeper **10-0**. Keynsham did not give up though and an attack down their right saw Cory dive bravely at the attacker's feet to save. From a goal kick Aran won the ball, advanced and shot but straight into the From a corner they crossed `keeper's hands. dangerously, and it was only because the attacker was slightly too far past the post that his connection went the wrong side with the goal gaping. From their corner Charlie won it on the edge of the area and was away, the length of the pitch, but shot at the 'keeper. Charlie then won the ball, hit a Crossfield pass to Bradley W and he found Aran, who went around the defender but shot into the side. Charlie then broke down the line, crossed across the face of the goal, but neither Bradley W nor Aran was guite close enough to make contact.

FULL-TIME: FRYS 10 KEYNSHAM 0

Man of the Match – Chosen by Andy for excellent play and effort – Kaylum

OVERALL: FRYS 16 KEYNSHAM 2

Afterthoughts.....

Well this certainly wasn't the match that we were expecting. Of course to find out that they have over 30 players in one team and rotate them does explain why our results against them have been so different each time, we face different players! I have heard however that they are setting up a new team and then keeping the better players in one, so next time should be a lot harder. For this game I was really impressed by the awareness of our players, passing, moving and working hard. Long may that continue.