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Our first match out with our reduced squad of fifteen players and only Tyler was unavailable as we welcomed AEK Boco tigers to Frys.

The Game 1 line-up was:

Ethem
Finlay W Liam
Keanu Charlie

Substitutes: Bradley G, Cory & Kaylum

Boco attacked, and after two drag back's, the shot came in which Liam blocked, so he shot again and Ethem stuck out a foot to deflect it wide. A throw from Ethem to Liam was passed to Finn. Finn then hit it forward to Charlie, but his shot was into the side netting. A cross was missed by Liam as it went under his foot and the Boco attacker capitalised **0-1**. Boco hit a dangerous cross which hit the crossbar. They then attacked again and a high ball into the area was caught well by Ethem. Bradley played Liam through and he was pushed wide and his shot went wide. We had three consecutive corners which we failed to make the most of, the third of which saw them win it and break, Ethem saving us. A clearance came to Cory and he passed it down the line for Bradley who saw Liam's run, but rather than take a touch he let it roll across his body and the chance went. Cory then emerged from our defence, found Kaylum and his pass

put Liam in, but their' keeper was quickly out to save.

HALF-TIME: FRY S 0 BOCO 1

Charlie threw for Keanu and he got it to Bradley, feinted to shoot to beat the defender and then did shoot but the 'keeper saved. Charlie combined well with Bradley to get down the line and crossed for Keanu whose shot was blocked, back again, but this time wide. Charlie hit a free-kick high and it was parried right by the 'keeper to where Bradley was running in, and after jinking past a defender he hit a low shot for the far post, but just the wrong side. Ethem threw to Charlie but he was marked and the attacker won it, shot through Ethem's legs, but fortunately it hit the post and Ethem was able to turn and gratefully grab it. Charlie threw to Bradley and he played it past the defender in for **Keanu** and he toe-poked it hard into the bottom left **1-1**. A ball out from Boco saw Bradley and Keanu work hard and force a blind clearance which came to Charlie and he shimmied past a player before hitting it just the wrong side of the post. The last changes are made and Kaylum is in defence but he stands right up front near the Boco goal so we shout to him to get in defence, and he shouts back that he is... Bless! Their attacker fights through a tackle from Charlie and a tackle from Kaylum and a challenge from Ethem, but the ball ricochets off of their attacker and flies in **1-2**. We were pressurising for an equaliser and they broke, but Ethem's bravery and reflexes saw us just concede a corner. From their corner Charlie won it and was away, and then looked up, saw **Cory** unmarked near the goal and found him with a perfect pass, and he in turn controlled it and passed it past the 'keeper **2-2**. They broke away but Kaylum as last man won it back, stroked it forward to **Liam** who ran into

traffic, but still managed to stretch his leg and flick the ball high past the 'keeper **3-2**. Ethem kick out was to no one and so they raced in, as Liam and Charlie stood off, they blasted it past Ethem **3-3**. Their big player forced his way past both Cory and Kaylum, before Ethem's toe did enough to deflect it wide.

FULL-TIME: FRYS 3 BOCO 3

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

The Game 2 line-up was:

Kaylum
Ethem Bartus
Aran James

Substitutes: Finlay M, Bradley W & Tristen

Bartus had the ball, played it forward to James and he in turn found Aran who shot, but the 'keeper made a good save. They hit a corner right across goal and all four of our outfield players went across to it so the Boco player passed it back into the middle to an unmarked attacker who had an easy goal **0-1**. Within a minute we all charged forwards and left an attacker free to receive the pass forward and have time to beat Kaylum **0-2**. A corner came to a Boco player on the edge of the area and all four defenders look at him without closing him down, giving him time to shoot past the unsighted Kaylum into the bottom corner, and for some reason they all look at Kaylum as if to say 'why didn't you save it?' Wrong! **0-3**. They had the ball down the right, and although by now new subs had come on, the same mistakes were being made as all four players ran across at him, allowing a simple pass to two unmarked attackers in front of goal who made no mistake **0-4**. Boco attacked and again we seemed to be ball watching and not trying to mark and tackle, and whilst Tristen at least tried to stop the shot on the line, he was not able to **0-5**. Ethem charged forwards and was taken down halfway. He took the free-kick himself which went right through to the 'keeper's feet and it bobbled loose for Tristen to shoot but it was blocked. They then attacked again and Tristen was again the player defending as everyone else either stood and watched or chased the ball, and another unmarked attacker had an easy shot **0-6**.

From the kick Ethem forced his way all the way to goal, but his shot was just the wrong side of the post.

HALF-TIME: FRYS 0 BOCO 6

Aran passed to Tristen who controlled it and played in Bartus, but his shot was wide. They attacked down the right and shot past Kaylum but Aran was on the line to block it, however another Boco player had followed up to knock in the loose ball **0-7**. From the kick off they won it, found space and shot from distance and Kaylum swung a leg at it but missed **0-8**. Boco attacked down the right and both defenders came across and this time as they were played in Kaylum dived at their feet bravely twice to stop them. Aran then attacked down the line and crashed through a big tackle, the ball falling to Bartus, but he was unable to shoot on target. They attacked and this time our three defending held their positions well, but were unfortunate when a shot deflected off of Aran and the wrong side of Kaylum **0-9**. **Aran** then broke out of defence, all the way down the left before cutting in onto his right and placing the ball past the 'keeper really well **1-9**. Boco kept up the pressure but Aran was there defending well. Near the end and two defending do well, whilst the two in midfield stop and watch, the ball eventually falling to a Boco attacker to shoot **1-10**.

FULL-TIME: FRYS 1 BOCO 10

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

OVERALL: FRYS 4 BOCO 13

Afterthoughts.....
The first match was fantastic, and whilst we say it quite often, the term 'anyone could have been Man of the Match' was very true, as they were all outstanding. I suppose that is why we were so disappointed in match 2, as we didn't show the desire or even ability that we have become accustomed to watching, although to be fair, we were much improved after the half-time talk. But we put it behind us and move on to the next match, and redouble our coaching efforts.