



FRY CLUB COLTS

U8 TOUR REPORT U8

Number 26 - **She said, "Lord, have mercy on my wicked son."** - Saturday 30th April 2016

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TORQUAY TOUR
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We decided to try out Touring; and for our first foray we travelled down to Torquay for the SCI Torquay Festival. We had seven matches, split across two days (Saturday 30th April and Sunday 1st May) and were berthed at a holiday park on the outskirts of Torquay where all of the boys could have fun on the first evening, and then receive their medals on the second evening. With no recognised goalkeeper, everyone was taking turns, and the Tour Squad was:

Aran, Bartus, Bradley G, Charlie, Cory, Finley, James & Kaylum.

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LEA HALL F.C.
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First up on Saturday were Lea Hall F.C., a Team based between Stoke-on-Trent and Birmingham, and this was a hard fought and closely contested match which ultimately ended goalless **0-0**.

FULL-TIME: LEA HALL F.C. 0 FRYs 0

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STOKE GABRIEL BLUES 'A'
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Next, we faced Stoke Gabriel Blues 'A', a local Club, and our goal drought continued, but this time our defensive line was breached twice as we went down **2-0**.

FULL-TIME: STOKE GABRIEL 2 FRYs 0

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Our third match of the Saturday saw us finally get off the mark, **Aran** getting a brace of goals, however again the opposition were able to score, but not enough to beat us, the match ending honours even **2-2**.

FULL-TIME: STOKE GABRIEL 2 FRYs 2

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STOKE GABRIEL BLUES 'B'
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Our final match of the Saturday, and the third Stoke Gabriel team. This was another tough opponent and we again conceded two goals, with **Aran** getting a consolation **2-1**.

FULL-TIME: STOKE GABRIEL 2 FRY S 1

There ended the first day, four matches and just two points, however the boys had enjoyed it and went back to the park and had a fun evening together, before returning the next day to finish the competition.

**US TOUR REPORT US TOUR REPORT
HOLY NAME F.C.
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We started day two with another tough opponent in Holy Name F.C., a Club based just a kilometre from the M5/M6 interchange part of Birmingham. We huffed and puffed, and **James** scored to get on the goal scorers' sheet, but it was in vain as they responded with three **3-1**.

FULL-TIME: HOLY NAME F.C. 3 FRY S 1

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WATTS BLAKE BEARNE YOUTH F.C.
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Our penultimate match was a free flowing, high scoring affair which we were unfortunate to come out the wrong side of. Goals from both **Aran** and **Bradley** were unfortunately not enough to get us any points as they responded with three **2-3**. So, we then find out that WBB Youth F.C. are affiliated to Plymouth Argyle which makes the result much more credible.

FULL-TIME: FRY S 2 WBB YOUTH F.C. 3

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MANSFIELD TOWN Y.F.C.
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Before this final match Andy chatted with their Manager and confirmed that this was a Team linked to Mansfield Town. He then wowed their players by revealing that their star striker Matt Green had not only started his career at Fry Club JFC, but that Andy was his very first Manager, then completed the wonder with a photo of himself with Matt! The match itself was close as **Bradley** gave us the lead, and we held out until near the end when they broke through and equalised **1-1**

FULL-TIME: FRY S 1 MANSFIELD TOWN 1

U8's - Appearances and Goals

	Played	Goals
Aran Stevens-Wong	7	4
Bartus Brudny	7	0
Bradley Grinter	7	2
Charlie Lane	7	0
Cory Grinter	7	0
Finley McGuinness	7	0
James Matthews	7	1
Kaylum Moore	7	0

Afterthoughts.....

This was our first Tour. From a football results perspective then it wasn't the best, four defeats, three draws and no wins. But that doesn't tell the whole story! The boys who came away had a fantastic time. They played together, got to know each other more and generally bonded well as a group, but just as importantly, so did the parents who mixed and laughed and had a great weekend away. Hopefully we will do this again.

