

Number 4 - Let your plans be dark and impenetrable as night, and when you move, fall like a thunderbolt - Sunday 25th September 2016

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Our second game in the mini competition saw us travel to play Mangotsfield. After last week's narrow win against Bradley Stoke we went with confidence. We were without Keanu and Ethem so Andy used his negotiating skills to call up Daniel.

The Game 1 line-up was:

Alfie

Tristen Tyler

James Aran Bradley W

Bartek

Substitute: Daniel

We started the game brightly with some good passing between Tyler and Brad out wide and this caused the Mangos defence some problems, allowing to Brad play a ball into the penalty area for Bartek to run onto but the 'keeper got there just before him. The 'keeper played the ball out to a defender who looked to pass the ball up field. James managed to intercept the pass though and surged onward but was being forced out wide by the defender. He manged to get past him through, and from a very tight angle managed to get a shot away which went well wide of the goal. The game for five minutes went into a midfield battle with some crunching tackles coming in from both sides; one from Tyler causing the Mangos player to go down in pain even if there was nothing wrong with the tackle from Tyler. Mangos had a throw in out left that we were unable to deal with and they managed to get the ball into our penalty area. The striker got there first and hit a good shot towards goal but Alfie was up to it and made a good save. Alfie rolled the ball out to Tristen who moved forward a little before playing the ball up the wing to Aran who beat his defender and crossed the ball towards Bartek. He used his pace to get to the ball first and toe-poked the shot towards goal but a defender cleared it behind for a corner. Before the corner was taken Daniel was brought into the action for the impressive Bartek. Aran took the corner which somehow

made its way to **Daniel** and with his first touch in the game hit a crisp low shot into the bottom corner giving the 'keeper no chance **0-1**. All the play was now in their half of the pitch with James being a dominant force and getting to all the loose balls first, using his pace and strength to get us into good positions, it was just a lack of a final pass or great defending from Mangotsfield which limited the chances we could create however from one stupendous run from James he cut the ball back to Daniel who played it out wide to Brad who cut inside the defender, got the ball under control and hit a shot that beat the 'keeper all ends up but also just crept wide of the far post.

HALF-TIME: MANGOTSFIELD 0 FRYS 1

Bradley had to leave at half time so there were to be no more substitutes. We were soon on the attack with Daniel linking up well with James and they managed to work the ball out to the right hand side where James went one way then another, cutting back and went forward again to beat the man. Once he had managed this he looked up and crossed the ball where Bartek was waiting, the ball though skipped past Bartek and was chased down by Aran who cut the ball back to Bartek who shot first time but straight at the 'keeper. The 'keeper launched the ball high into the bright sky and it came down just inside our half. Tyler attacked the ball but it bounced over him and onto the attacker. Tristen tracked across though and made a well-timed tackle and Alfie was guickly out of his goal to pick the loose ball up. He rolled the ball out to Tyler who waited until an opposition player came to him before passing the ball down the line to Aran, Aran looked up and saw a clear path to goal and headed down the path. As he was about to reach the penalty area the defender came across to him. Bartek was in acres of space but Aran went alone and shot which went well wide, a simple pass may have been the better From the kick-off though Aran was in a option. determined mood and got to the Mangos player before he could settle on the ball with no other Frys player in a good position Aran went and beat the defender and with a very clever finish beat the goalkeeper for a very good individual goal **0-2**. Tyler and Tristen were defending like Trojans and Daniel was picking up any loose balls and laying the ball off well to James and Aran with Bartek working hard up front and closing down the Mangos defence which meant that they were struggling to get any decent attacks going and it was not long before from one of Daniel's passes that Aran was in acres of space which with his pace got him into the penalty area but in a blink of an eye the 'keeper came out to him and blocked the shot which came back to Bartek at pace. He did not have long to react but got a shot on goal that looked like it was going in only to bounce the wrong side of the goal if you were Frys supporter. From the goal kick Mangos tried one more attack to see if they could break down the solid Frys defence, and for once the wide player got past Tristen and got a good looking cross in and the striker got to the ball and hit a rocket of a shot which Alfie did well to save. Nothing came from the corner and the ref blew the whistle for the last time in the match.

FULL-TIME: MANGOTSFIELD 0 FRYS 2

Man of the Match – Chosen by Andy an impressive performance and a well taken goal – Daniel

The Game 2 line-up was:

Cory

Kaylum Finn M

Finn W Brad G Charlie

Liam

The 2nd game started with Mangotsfield on the attack and we were unable to get any tackles in or in some cases not going to make a tackle which meant that for the first couple of minutes we were struggling to contain them and they managed to get a few shots away, and only some poor finishing and good saves from Cory prevented us from going behind. Andy made a tactical change and moved Kaylum into midfield and put Finn W into defence with Finn M. The boys seemed a lot more confident with this set up and soon we were playing some great football from the back Charlie and Brad linked up well in midfield and after some quick passing between the two of them Charlie passed forward to Liam who got to the ball and smashed a first time shot high and wide of the goal. Bradley was quick to close down the defender and got a good ball into the middle where Liam had used his speed to get to the ball and hit a low shot past the 'keeper **0-1**. From the kick off Brad got the ball off of the player and played it back to Charlie who passed out wide to Kaylum who beat one player before cutting the ball back to Brad who slipped the ball onto Liam who with all is power hit a shot that went flying past the wrong side of the post. From the goal-kick the defender looked to find the striker upfront but Finn M got to the ball first and passed to Kaylum who found Brad near the centre circle. He hit a first time pass into the space where Liam was heading, Liam picked the ball up and without breaking stride beat the defender and hit a powerful shot into the corner of the net **0-2**. From the kick off we were soon on the attack again with Charlie finding Liam out on the right he beat his man before crossing the ball, Brad had surged forward and controlled the ball and a quick turn gave him half a yard of space to place the ball below the diving 'keeper into the back of the net **0-3**. They attacked, but a weak shot was well saved by Cory who passed the ball to Finn W who looked up and got the ball to Charlie who again had seen that Liam had gotten into space and a quick pass saw Liam away. He shot from distance, which the 'keeper could have left but knocked it behind for a corner. Charlie hit the corner into the box, they cleared it back to Charlie who found Kaylum in the area who knocked the ball into an empty net **0-4**.

HALF-TIME: MANGOTSFIELD 0 FRYS 4

Kaylum and Finn W kindly volunteered to go in goal for 10mins each in the 2nd half and Liam went into midfield to allow Cory to play upfront, a good show of teamwork by the boys so well done. We started off very well in the 2nd half with Charlie moving the ball out wide to Liam, Liam beat the defender and cut inside for a clear run on goal. After being spoken to at half time and with the coaches telling him to pass the ball into the net Liam did exactly that passing the ball past the 'keeper into the net for a great finish **0-5**. We were on top and from a throw for them Bradley got a tackle in and went on a run out left. He crossed the ball to Cory whose shot was well saved by the 'keeper, however from the kick-off Liam got to the ball first, laid it off for Charlie and he hit a first time pass to **Brad** who was in the clear and did carbon copy of Liam's goal by passing the ball past the 'keeper to score **0-6**. Mangos started having a few more attacks and Kaylum had to come out and make a good save, Kaylum then rolled the ball to Finn M who made a simple pass to Kaylum, Kaylum quickly moved it on to Brad who saw Charlie out wide and got the ball to him. Charlie moved the ball up the line to Liam who crossed to Cory whose shot was well saved by the 'keeper. Mangos then attacked and we got tackles in, notably Finn M, but we were unable to clear our lines and in the scramble their player got the final touch to give Finn W no chance and score **1-6**. They had a bit of pressure now as the boys tired a bit and a good passing move from them left us exposed at the back and a fierce shot gave Finn no chance in goal **2-6**. Charlie made a good tackle out on the left hand side and fed the ball up the line to Liam who ran into the box and timed his shot to perfection to score a good goal so we finished the game on a high 2-7.

FULL-TIME: MANGOTSFIELD 2 FRYS 7

Man of the Match – Chosen by Andy for holding position and some very good defending – Finn M

OVERALL: MANGOTSFIELD 2 FRYS 9

Afterthoughts.....

This was an excellent performance from all 15 boys that played today, showing great effort and skill and also the passing from all of the boys was a big improvement on seven days prior. In game one the score line would have been much bigger if not for their 'keeper making some great saves. In the 2nd game we dominated the first half and could have scored a lot more with some composed finishing. All the boys worked well for each other and helped each other so much that there was a move in the 2nd game where six out of the seven boys passed the ball all the way to the front, which was a joy to watch and all of the coaches were very proud of each and every one of them.