

Match Report

While it was quite a trek up to St Neot, our team did not seem phased by this. Despite the 2-1 lost, it was a hard fought game which we were arguably unlucky to lose.

The first half began with St Neot putting themselves on the front foot; grabbing two goals in quick succession around 10 minutes in. This was despite some defiant defending from Harry, with Ruby putting in several dramatic headers which prevented further shots on our goal. Whilst Alfie worked industriously to break through their lines, it was to no avail.

Then, I believe, was a moment which none of those at the game will forget too soon. It wasn't a Ronaldo style free kick yet it matches it in the emotions it spurred. Jude did an incredibly strong throw in which ended up in St Neot's penalty area. The keeper then struggled to handle the ball Jude threw in, probably due to the power of the throw; subsequently ensuring the ball fell over the line. I'm not sure whether this was an own goal but Jude will claim this nonetheless-it's not every day you can say you scored from your hands in football!

After some much needed Chocolate Biscuits at half time, the second half began and it was clear that Fourlanesend wanted that second goal, throwing wave after wave of attacks. One that stands out was Peter's amazing run from the half way line, that would have ended in a superb goal were it not for St Neot's keeper making a powerful save. Nathan was key in starting many of these attacks; battling well to win the ball back and launching it up field where Alfie, Louie, Peter and Brae were ready to take on the defence.

Of course, we can't forget the contribution of our defence in ensuring St Neot didn't bag another. Kanye provided countless vital interventions and blocks which gave us a fighting chance in the match. Jude, our goalkeeper for the second half, also kept us in the fight with a number of flying saves which the England manager Roy Hodgson should have seen. One acrobatic save at his near post stands out because the match could have completely changed if it had gone in.

Regrettably, we couldn't break through their lines after some astute defending from St Neot. It was a valiant effort nonetheless and I would hope the team is proud of their performance. The team can really take heart from this and I'm sure we will anticipate their next game after yesterday's efforts!!!