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Fighting Spirit Shines Through

A must win game if we were to be within any sort of range of catching some of the other teams and to stay far enough ahead of city so we don't get caught ourselves. It was a big day and we were pretty close teams as our last encounter showed, a 4-3 win in which we nearly got caught out in the last few minutes. Again we were playing with our new formation and it started out well and we were mounting good pressure on the city defence. Although we were pressing hard early, city did look very dangerous on the counter attack through Antony Macri and after an attacking corner spilled out, our defence looked rattled and missed the ball completely as it slid ride behind them for Macri to run onto and easily slot for a 1-0 lead to city.

We were a little disappointed but we pressed on and were gaining momentum again but this time continued in our favour as the ball was played wide to Danny Eaves who quickly crossed into a dangerous area, this was dummied beautifully and fell perfectly at Keegan Wells feet who nailed one over the keepers hands and into the back of the goals. 1-1 and we were right back in the game.

We then both progressed to make our chances but none could make them count until a city corner late in the half wasn't cleared properly and was crossed back over to an unmarked city player at the back post for an easy header.

2-1 city.

Heads were a bit down at half time but talks were all positive and this seemed to lift our spirits and we went back out with our trademark determination and fighting spirit. We again progressed to create heaps of chances and it was a while before anything came of it but the pressure became too much for city in the end and we won a corner, which was taken quickly to the front post. This was flicked on and somehow managed to go into the net. 2-2 and were coming home quickly. We seemed to pick up our defensive game in the second half and this paid off as Macri was getting teamed out of the game. With our defensive pressure all over the field it made city make defensive errors in which we capitalised on late in the game. Keegan Wells jumped on a poor city



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pass into the midfield and delicately placed a through ball to Danny who side footed home for a 3-2 score line with about 10 minutes to go. This kicked city into a bit of a frenzy and they pushed more players up front to try and chase a draw. A few decisions were made to not change our style to match them and we played man on man defence for the final part of the game which we able to manage just fine and held out for another gutsy finish that actually turned in our favour for our first win in weeks.

Our overall game has improved massively in the last 5-6 weeks so lets not lose that over the next couple as we have a 2-week break. Rest up guys and come back firing.

Bobby Eaves