



CHICKERELL UNITED UNDER 14s



DORSET COUNTY CUP RND 1

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Chickerell United 5 -v- Sturminster N. 5
(A.E.T.)

(CHICKERELL WON 2-1 ON PENALTIES)

A superb all round team performance from Chickerell saw them through this epic cup encounter, which they eventually won on penalties as both teams contributed to an action packed game.

Chickerell, down to the bare eleven players, started the better team, with early shots from Neil Willcock and Ollie Barnes failing to find the net, and it was against the run of play that Sturminster Newton took the lead as a shot from outside the area looped over Golsby in the home goal, to give the away team the advantage.

Chickerell surged forward at every opportunity, Neil Willcock impressing out on the left cut in and unselfishly pulled the ball back to Daniel Harrington whose shot grazed the upright.

Then, from a free kick about ten yards inside the home team's half, Sturminster Newton increased their lead, the home defence allowing a perfectly flighted ball to find the net past a bemused Golsby.

Straight from the kick off, Neil Willcock collected the ball out on the left ,and leaving two Sturminster defenders in his wake, cut into the area firing a great shot goalwards which was deflected in for Chickerell's first.

With their tails up, Chickerell kept up the pressure, and after more fine wing play a cross fired into the Sturminster area was handled, and Ollie Barnes made no mistake from the spot, his shot cannoning in off the underside of the crossbar.

So, all square at half-time, the second half did not disappoint as both teams applied pressure, Ollie Barnes outrunning the away defence as Harrington and Jack Kent continued to play pinpoint balls through for him to run on to.

With Chickerell starting to dominate, they finally made pressure pay, Daniel Harrington in midfield threading a great pass through to the feet of Barnes who made no mistake with a shot low to the keeper's right, giving Chickerell a 3-2 lead.

Sturminster played their part in an exciting second half, and sensing Chickerell were tiring, started to test the home defence, with runs and shots on goal that worked the Chickerell defence to their limit, and after holding out for long periods, Chickerell

finally conceded an equaliser when a hopeful shot from out on their left wing again caught Golsby out in the home goal, making it 3-3.

Chickerell to their credit, kept pressing and probing from midfield, livewire Barnes creating most of the chances as he continually outpaced the away defence, and it was from another penalty that Barnes got his hat-trick, when a cross whipped across the area was handled, and Barnes stepped up to convert his and Chickerell's second penalty of the game.

With time running out, Sturminster Newton pressed beginning to get the better of a tiring Chickerell team, and they finally got their reward when the left winger latched on to a poor defensive clearance, took the ball into the area and lashed the ball past Golsby to set up extra time.

The first period of extra time really opened up, both sides pressing for a winner that would eliminate the dreaded penalty shoot out, and it was Sturminster Newton who took the lead again, when a push on a Chickerell defender went unnoticed, the ball found its way across the six yard box allowing the Sturminster forward to slot the ball home.

The second period of extra time was all Chickerell, as they surged forward in numbers looking for an equaliser, leaving gaps at the back that were nearly exploited by an eager Sturminster forward line determined not to let the lead slip, but it was to no avail as the Chickerell 'goal machine' Ollie Barnes, latched onto another sumptuous through ball from Harrington, to fire home a late equaliser, sending the game to penalties.

Shaun Parker and Ollie Barnes were the Chickerell scorers, but the hero was Josh Golsby who saved four of Sturminster's penalties, to send the jubilant 'Chickens' through to round 2 of the competition.

Man of the Match – Jack Kent.