Q1

The whistle goes and we're off against a much younger side than yesterday. First attack by ABs sees Tony Taig receive the ball in the D shoots just left of the post. Jersey counters from the 16 and attack down the left they break dangerously but fail to capitalise after some excellent passing with the shot going high over the goal.

Jersey attack again but Robin makes a fine tackle to stop the break. ABs awarded a free hit taken by Paramjit to Robin to Mike Verity to Conrad. Nice move but no end result.

Jersey attack quickly ending with a fine save by Richard. Brisk start to the game, end to end stuff, with both sides playing well. Jersey having the better chances.

ABs working hard find Conrad in space runs at the Jersey defence evades three tackles into the D shoots but misses the goal. Good long ball by Mukesh finds Mike Verity but not able to control the ball and the attack breaks down.

1st short corner to Jersey after ball hits Paramjit's foot (NOT). Calls for umpire Tom Ettling to be subbed. Thankfully the short comes to nothing. Ball played out to Mike Verity then forward to Conrad on the right, who makes another good run, passes to John Peirce free in the D but JP missed his attempt at goal; but gained a short corner following a Jersey infringement. Good short corner routine finished with a "GOAL" to ABs. (who by?)

Another controversial judgement against Paramjit promising break by ABs prematurely ended. Umpire losing control ??? End Q1 Jersey 0 – 1 ABs.

<u>Q2</u>

Jersey straight from the start pressing to get the equaliser, win a long corner – quite a scramble in ABs D but eventually cleared. Jersey short corner; 2 shots both stopped by Richard who is once again showing his quality. However, following a poor clearance picked up by Jersey and fired back into the D crossed to an unmarked player who couldn't and didn't miss.

Jersey 1 – 1 ABs.

Game continues with lots of toing and froing but neither side gaining the upper hand. Then a random ball hit into the ABs D brings a good save by Richard (again). ABs unable to clear the ball which catches a foot and a short corner awarded. Jersey score a good goal with a pass to the right taking the keeper out of the equation. Jersey 2 – 1 ABs. ABs on the defensive, another scramble in the D, but Jersey shot narrowly misses passing the right-hand post. Quick break by ABs led to a pass from the left into the Jersey D but nobody could pick it up chance gone. End of Q2; Jersey 2 – 1 ABs.

Jersey starts with a promising attack eventually intercepted by Robin who clears it well down the left wing. Short corner to Jersey seen out past the right post by Mike Christie for a long corner.

Mukesh to Mike Verity to Robin Conway with several passes but no penetration into the Jersey D; eventually broken down by Jersey who go on the attack passing the ball about in the D resulting in an unmarked player on the left of their attack to score.

End of Q3. Jersey 3 – 1 ABs.

<u>Q4</u>

ABs start well but Jersey gain possession and press into the D, good kick from Richard to relieve the pressure. Cultured spell of play by Jersey on the right, ball into the D shot by their lady player parried twice by Richard and ball eventually cleared by the defence. End to end stuff ABs press into the Jersey D. Tony Taig showing good skills and wins a penalty corner. Not able to get a shot off but won another corner. Again unable to get a strike on goal but Paramjit protecting the ball showing his silky skills and Jersey unable to take the ball off him but all to no avail. ABs pressed and maintained a good period of pressure until the Umpire's whistle brought an end to the game.

Jersey 3 – 1 ABs.

The Whites had the youth, but the Reds had the skill and the brains. Hard work but a thoroughly enjoyable game.

Man of the Match: Richard Boutcher.

Paul Sharratt (Capt) Paul Bateson, Richard Boutcher, Mike Christie, Robin Conway, Paramjit Hayre, Mukesh Phakey, John Peirce, Tom Ettling, Peter Reid, German Singh, Allan Sutton, Tony Taig, Richard Turner, Mike Verity, Conrad Evans (Guest player).

Supporters - Julia Bateson, Diane Boutcher, Lynn Christie, Brian Conway, Karen Daly, Christine Ettling, Julia Greenhough, Jasbinder Hayre, Neeru Phakey, Glynis Reid, Raghwir Kaur Singh, Jenny Taig, Sandy Verity, Clive Kendall.

Note Takers:

Game 2: Mike Christie, Alan Sutton, Richard Turner and Conrad Evans (Guest).

Overall Reporter: Peter Reid.