

UNDER 15 LEAGUE CUP FINAL AGAINST SUMMERTOWN**Played Witney Town FC 14th April****"Summertown take their chances"****WYCHWOOD 0****SUMMERTOWN STARS 2**

This was a re-run of the Final two years ago except that this time Summertown came out as winners rather than us. The difference between the two sides this time was they took their chances and their keeper saved ours. The earlier stages belonged to Summertown but the defence was playing well with Richard Taylor in goal making a couple of good saves. The first goal came in the 18th minute when Richard saved a low hard drive but was unable to hold onto the ball which Summertown had time to place the rebound into the back of the net.

We had two excellent chances in this half. One fell to Chris Rogers who looked certain to score when a short distance from the goal he placed his shot just inside the post only to be foiled by their keeper who dived and saved on the line. Laurie White also looked like scoring, only for the keeper to once again guess right and dive and save on the line from close range.

Towards the end of the half Liam Flynn took a nasty knock on the ankle and we played the final ten minutes of the half with ten men. We came out for the second half with Liam repaired and the team determined to get an equaliser but Summertown had other ideas. The first minute of the half they forced a great save from Richard. Our biggest problem throughout this match was we couldn't get enough players forward and consequently we ended up being predictable in front of the goal.

In the 10th minute of the half Summertown increased their lead when a close range shot gave Richard in goal no chance. Despite moving Chris up front and bringing on James Beaney and later Jonathan Pepper to give us more height up front we could not break them down. Our best second half chance fell to Laurie White who was again foiled by their keeper who guessed correctly and dived and saved from close range on the line.

This was a typical Summertown / Wychwood game with neither side creating too many chances. In the end they had the edge and just about deserved their victory. Well done to Wychwood for getting to the Final and each of you fully deserve your "runners up" trophy.

Wychwood Man of the Match: Robert Arnold who won every tackle.

TEAM:-

Richard Taylor

Chris Rogers

Liam Flynn

Robert Arnold

Graham Carter / John Leighton

Robert Marsh

Stephen Baker

Duncan Smith / James Beaney

Laurie White

Richard Martin

Richard Stevens / Jonathon Pepper

Subs could not get on :- Neil Haine and Owen Fowler

Enjoy your football!