

## LSFA U12's 5 Doncaster U12's 2

LSFA U12's beat Doncaster SFA 5-2 in an incredibly entertaining match. Before the game, both teams took part in a minute's silence to remember those who died in the First World War, one hundred years after it ended.

Leeds hit the front straight from the off with talisman Aidan Durkan firing narrowly wide after being played through by Alfie Bradshaw. Bradshaw then had an opportunity himself as the ball fell to him on the edge of the box but his shot was just over. Doncaster then fought themselves back into the game after surviving the early Leeds onslaught, with their striker shooting just wide after being put through from along goal kick. The Doncaster resolve was finally broken when some excellent play from Aidan Durkan allowed him to get out of a tight corner. Durkan then did brilliantly to pick out midfield maestro Thomas Mills, who tucked the ball away into the bottom corner. Straight from the kick off, Doncaster went forward in search of an equaliser and only a great tackle from Bradshaw stopped them from scoring. Doncaster then had a glorious chance to equalise after Leeds 'keeper Archie Edson brought down the Doncaster striker in the penalty area. The striker then brushed himself off and side footed the ball into the bottom corner to make it 1-1 against the run of play. Towards the end of the first period Leeds had plenty of chances to go in front again, the best of those being a Noah Gill volley which flashed across the goal after a great cross-field ball from James Murray.

At the start of the second period, Doncaster found themselves in front after their striker arrowed a shot into the top corner, which was just out of Archie Edson's reach. Leeds didn't let that affect their play and after a good period of passing, the ball was crossed into the box to substitute Alan Maleka, who took a touch and then thumped the ball through a crowd of players into the far corner to make it 2-2. From then on, Leeds never looked back. Maleka was involved again and he forced a good save from the Doncaster goalkeeper. Leeds were solid at the back as well as being brilliant in attack, with Captain George Sebine making a good tackle to stop the Doncaster forward from getting a shot away. Edson then made amends for the penalty after he scored a magnificent goal, with his goal kick evading everyone then bouncing over the Doncaster 'keeper's head and into the net to spark jubilant celebrations from the Leeds players. Leeds kept pushing for more goals and almost got a fourth after Jack McClarin's mazy run led to Durkan firing just wide of the post. Leeds did eventually get their fourth when a defence-splitting through ball from Dylan Cadena made its way to Reece Wilson, who rounded the 'keeper and slotted the ball into an empty net, which was the last kick of the third.

Toward the end of the game, it was obvious that Doncaster heads had gone down but that didn't stop them creating opportunities with their Captain forcing Edson to make a good stop. Straight from that chance, Edson found Cadena, who produced another sensational pass to find

Wilson, who duly tucked away his second and Leeds' fifth. Wilson would have had his hat-trick had it not been for an excellent save from the Doncaster goalkeeper to keep him at bay. Wilson thought he had grabbed his third when he slotted the ball into the bottom corner but it was ruled out for offside. A terrific tackle from Leeds winger Noah Gill then stopped a Doncaster counter attack. There was time for one last chance for Doncaster but the striker found Edson his equal. That was the last kick of the game and the referee blew for full time. Overall, it was a very solid performance from Leeds who will want to take this confidence onto their next game.

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