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Bath Arsenal won the Somerset Intermediate Cup with a 2-0 victory over Civil Service Taunton at Shepton Mallet Football Club. Marc Pillingier gave Bath Arsenal an eighth-minute lead when he controlled a cross from Alex Gifford and fired home from 10 yards.

Bath Arsenal, playing up the slope in the first half, came close to increasing their advantage before the break when Scott Newton shot narrowly wide.

Goalkeeper Ross Williams denied Taunton an equaliser with a superb fingertip save midway through the second half.

Then, with 10 minutes left, Bath Arsenal went further ahead when Rich Jones broke down the right and squared the ball to Leigh Cooper, who netted his 27th goal of the season with a 12-yard drive.

Only two Bath League clubs, Freshford Sports and Odd Down, had previously won the Somerset Intermediate Cup and Bath Arsenal manager Brian Cooper said: "We played really well and everybody said we deserved the win.

"It was a great team effort all season and, without a doubt, this was the best experience I've had in football."

Bath Arsenal FC have recently been provided with a new kit, thanks to sponsorship from Aylmer Kelly Accountants in Corsham.

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