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Byki deliver knockout punch

The Byki rebounded nicely from their frustrating defeat to SAC Lightning in their previous match by blanking Sockers FC Black 4:0 last Sunday. It was a day where everything went right for the Byki. Dmytro Korinenko and Robbie McClure each scored twice, while the Byki defense was impenetrable, backstopped by the solid Alex Perez in goal. The victory moves the Byki up to fourth place in the PLSC's First Division, trailing the leaders by five points.

The Sockers proved to be a pesky opponent, demonstrating good fundamental skills and tactical awareness. But their youth and lack of experience played into the hands of the Byki, who assembled a roster that has been battle-tested.

The Byki nearly caught the Sockers sleeping in the first minute. Perez launched a long goal kick towards Korinenko, who sprinted past the last defender. The Sockers keeper blocked Korinenko's blast with his legs.

The contest continued in see-saw fashion, until the Byki broke through at the 9:19 mark. The play started with Cuba Asyl accelerating past defenders at midfield and dishing to Volkan Akbas in the box. The goalie blocked his attempt, but the ball came back to Akbas, who chested it over to McClure on the left side of the penalty area. The midfielder made no mistake with a low shot into the corner.

The Byki took that lead into the break and then really started cooking when the teams changed ends. Just 1:10 into the second half, Korinenko pounced on a sloppy Sockers turnover in their defensive third and fired immediately from long range. The keeper was in the right spot to deflect the shot.

Moments later, the Byki went 2:0 up. Kuba Banbor, on his last legs at the end of his shift, chased down a long pass that carried deep into the Sockers end of the field. He slammed the ball off the back boards and into the middle of the box, where Korinenko swooped in and crushed a first-time shot for his eighth goal of the season.

The Sockers created some mayhem in front of the Byki goal with 12:50 left in the match. A ricochet off of the back boards created an opportunity for an unmarked player. Perez showed outstanding reflexes to keep his goal unblemished.

Control of the contest swung firmly for the Byki with 9:34 to go. They capitalized on a power play in straightforward fashion, scoring directly from the restart. The foul had been given near the boards on the right wing and Korinenko was sizing up his options. When he saw that the keeper had decided to leave his post unguarded, he sent a rocket into the back of the net. Korinenko has been on a tear, scoring in every game so far but one, amassing nine in total for the season.

The last gasp for the Sockers became the clinching goal for the Byki with 6:20 left. The Byki had defended a Sockers power play flawlessly, as the Sockers did well to move the ball from wing to wing, but had no real ideas about how to break down the Byki defensive diamond. McClure extinguished all hope when he stole the ball near midfield and raced past the last defender to go 1 v 1 with the goalkeeper. After feinting him to the turf, McClure deposited the ball into the empty net. "That was an impressive goal for Robbie," noted coach George Gorecki afterwards. "That last defender must have been half his age."

The final chance for the Sockers to get at least one goal back fizzled, thanks to an alert Perez. A Byki turnover ignited a 3 v 2 counterattack for the Sockers. They worked the ball to the open man in the middle of the box, but Perez lunged across the goal area to snare the ball before it could cross the line.

"We've had to meld some new players together at the start of the season," said Gorecki. "Today was a good example of our true capabilities."

BYKI LINEUP (2-2-1): Perez – Stamatinos (c), Wigham – Asyl, McClure – Korinenko. **Bench**: Akbas, Banbor, Falinski, Stevens.

BYKI SCORING SUMMARY

1:0 - McClure 1 (Akbas); 9:19.

2:0 - Korinenko 8 (Banbor); 23:03.

3:0 - Korinenko 9; (pp); 30:26.

4:0 – McClure 2; (sh); 33:40.

Byki Men of the Match: Dmytro Korinenko and Robbie McClure.

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MAJOR DIVISION

FIRST DIVISION

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts		GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
SAC Wisla	6	5	1	0	25	14	16	SAC Lightning Over 30	6	6	0	0	30	11	18
SAC Lightning	6	5	0	1	27	9	15	FC Moldova	5	5	0	1	40	13	15
Czarni Jaslo	6	4	1	1	23	14	13	Jake's Stars Punishers	6	5	0	0	33	9	15
Sockers FC Blue	6	3	1	2	25	14	10	Stare Byki FC	6	3	1	2	19	16	10
Wisloka Chicago	6	3	0	3	22	19	9	Thunder FC	5	3	0	3	20	22	9
SAC Lightning U-23	6	2	1	3	14	20	7	Sting FC	6	3	0	3	14	31	9
Sockers FC White	6	2	0	4	26	20	6	Tarnovia Over 40	6	2	2	1	12	10	8
FC Bodrost	6	2	0	4	23	26	6	Sockers FC Black	6	2	2	2	21	20	8
Torino FC	5	1	0	4	8	25	3	Unia Chicago	6	2	0	4	16	22	6
Chicago Fire Jr Gold	5	0	0	5	3	35	0	Levski Chicago	6	1	0	5	21	40	3
								Jagiellonia	6	0	1	5	10	20	1
								Sporting MD	6	0	0	6	11	33	0

Byki Stats

FIRST TEAM, PSLC 1st DIVISION

Player	G	Α	Pts
Korinenko	9	2	11
Sokolowski	2	3	5
Akbas	2	1	3
McClure	2	1	3
Banbor	0	3	3
Stevens	2	0	2
Sauerman	1	1	2
Stamatinos	0	2	2
Asyl	1	0	1
Crist	0	1	1
Perez	0	1	1

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