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**RED**

**Byki 7 : 5 Adria B**

NSL 1st Division - The Odeum - 17 February 2012

## Big effort leads to big win

The Red Team found themselves in an old-fashioned shootout last Friday versus RWB Adria B and came away 7:5 winners after watching a 4:0 lead morph into a 5:5 tie. Marek Ciszewski led the way with four goals and an assist, the last two goals proving to be the winning margin. The Byki improve to 6-3-3 and remain in second place in the Red Section with four matches left in the regular season.

Stal Mielec stayed in the race for second when they surprised Zagłębie SC 2:0. The Byki and Mielec are level, with 21 points apiece. The two sides meet tonight, with Mielec looking to avenge their 3:2 defeat to the Byki in December. Gremio B had been hanging around near the Byki and Mielec in the table, but their surprise defeat to Winged Bull on Friday puts them seven points out of the final playoff spot. Assyrian FC clinched the top spot in the Section with a narrow win over Hellenic United.

The Byki played the first half of the match exactly according to plan. They kept track of their defensive assignments and Adria's players did not have the open looks at goal to which they are accustomed. Their hard work translated into a well-earned 3:0 lead at the break.

"The guys did a tremendous job in the first half of the game," said coach George Gorecki. "We were the better team and our lead was no fluke."

Adria had two good scoring chances early in the game. An open player at the top of the arc was thwarted by Ray Najera's punch save. Several minutes later, Najera intervened with a sliding leg save as Adria came 2 v1 on the break.

The Byki attack was equally lively to start the match. A splendid passing sequence between Alex Guzman, Kuba Banbor and Ciszewski sprang Ciszewski for an open shot from the left side. The only thing missing from the play was a goal, as the goalpost denied Ciszewski.

With 7:48 left in the half, Jordan Stopka found Alan Stevens. The keeper dove to save Stevens' shot and Maciek Kekus chased down the rebound in the corner. His shot whizzed through the goal area, aching for a teammate to make the run to the back post.

The Byki broke through 1:03 later. Paul Mansur took control of the ball at midfield, dribbled through an Adria defense that was unable to contain him, and calmly deposited the ball into the back of the net.

A quick counterattack with 5:28 left led to the second goal. Mike Stamatinos passed off to Ciszewski, who circled back into the middle and drilled a shot just underneath the bar.

Todd Trowbridge looked set to open his account with 3:13 to go, but could not believe it when his long drive hit the inside of the far post and ricocheted back into the field. Just 0:29 later, the score went to 3:0 when Kekus laid the ball off for Stopka, who tallied his fourth goal of the season with a shot from the right corner.

## Byki Stats

### RED TEAM, NSL 1st DIVISION

Player	G	A	Pts
Ciszewski	8	3	11
Stopka	4	3	7
Herholdt	2	5	7
Banbor	4	2	6
Kekus	4	2	6
Koenig	3	3	6
Mansur	2	4	6
Mehreioskouei	3	0	3
Trowbridge	1	2	3
Stamatinos	0	3	3
Guzman	2	0	2
Uriza	2	0	2
Stevens	1	1	2
Bouzoukis	1	0	1
Garnon	0	1	1
Team goals	1	x	x

Goalie	Min	GA	GAA
Stopka	1	0	0.00
Khankari	170	11	2.46
Najera	285	22	2.93

Current record: 6-3-3

### BLUE TEAM, MIRO SOCCER LEAGUE

Player	G	A	Pts
Kekus	5	3	8
Onaissi	3	4	7
Ciszewski	5	0	5
Fleming	4	1	5
Inalsingh	2	2	4
Uriza	2	2	4
Buur	1	3	4
Stamatinos	2	0	2
Mansur	1	1	2
Mehagic	1	1	2
Samp	1	1	2
Soegaard	1	1	2
Worek	1	1	2
Dec	1	0	1
Gibbs	1	0	1
Garnon	0	1	1
Hodge	0	1	1
Khankari	0	1	1

Goalie	Min	GA	GAA
Khankari	200	31	6.20
Najera	80	14	7.00

Current record: 2-0-5

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Adria nearly got one back with 1:45 to go when a poor turnover by the Byki became a two-on-none break, with only Najera to beat. Mansur came out of nowhere to get back into the play, and broke things up before Adria could execute the final pass.

The Byki looked as though they were in the driver's seat just 4:07 into the second half. Banbor gained control of a ball coming off the glass and sent it over to Ciszewski, who stuck his foot in at just the right moment to re-direct the ball past the keeper.

Good teams, however, can overcome big deficits in the indoor game. The Adria players, who looked spent during the three-goal Byki flurry at the end of the first half, found a second wind after the break. They scored five of the next six goals in the span of 7:02.

"It was like someone flipped our switch for playing defense and we just stopped," said Gorecki. "Every mistake you could think of turned into a goal for Adria."

After Adria had pulled to within 4:2, the Byki replied immediately. Ciszewski made an astute pass to the unmarked Banbor at the far post and the Byki regained some breathing room.

Three unanswered goals from Adria left the Byki wondering where it all went wrong. The 5:5 scoreline would either motivate the Byki to dig deep and win the game, or they would have to live with the self-doubt of not being able to close teams out.

The Byki chose the former and rode on the formidable shoulders of Ciszewski, who has pulled the Byki out of the fire many times over his 17-year career. With 5:20 left, Stevens pinged a free kick along the right-wing boards into the corner. The wicked ricochet landed right at Ciszewski's feet, who executed the simple tap-in.

The final minutes were played with desperation from both sides, but the Byki finally got their defense back together. The effort expended by Adria to level the score might have depleted whatever gas was left in their tank. The Byki scored the clincher in the final minute when Banbor won a loose ball in the middle third of the field and flicked an arcing pass for Ciszewski. He clashed with an Adria player in the air and came away with a breakaway, with only the Adria goalie to beat. Ciszewski made easy work of the play and the three points were in the bag.

**BYKI LINEUP (3-2):** Najera – Bouzoukis, Mansur, Trowbridge – Stopka, Kekus. **Bench:** Banbor, Ciszewski, Guzman, Stamatinos, Stevens.

#### BYKI SCORING SUMMARY

1:0 – Mansur 2; 12:15.  
 2:0 – Ciszewski 5 (Stamatinos); 13:32.  
 3:0 – Stopka 4 (Kekus); 16:16.  
 4:0 – Ciszewski 6 (Banbor); 23:07.  
 5:2 – Banbor 4 (Ciszewski); 27:18.  
 6:5 – Ciszewski 7 (Stevens); 32:40.  
 7:5 – Ciszewski 8 (Banbor); 38:02.

**Byki Man of the Match:** Marek Ciszewski

**BLUE**

**TFS 6 : 4 Byki**

Miro Indoor Soccer League - The Max - 21 February 2012

## Little mistakes add up for Byki

Undefeated and top-ranked TFS showed why they have been the class of the league at The Max for two sessions when they put away the Blue Team 6:4 last Tuesday. The match was fairly tight for the first 22 minutes, but TFS blitzed the Byki for four goals in a span of 3:48. That gave them a comfortable 6:1 lead, though the Byki kept fighting and made the final score a bit more respectable by the end. The Byki finish the regular season at 2-0-5 and move into the consolation bracket of the Miro Indoor League playoffs, where the top prize will be a 5th-place finish.

TFS brought just one substitute for their bench, yet played with pace and fluidity throughout. It was a great example of letting the ball do the work. Players were constantly making runs into space to help teammates and the Byki often found themselves a step behind. This unselfish play put TFS in the lead after just 2:07. The striker received a pass at the top of the box and looked immediately to drop the ball to someone else. That teammate came blazing in unmarked and crushed a first-time shot past Ray Najera.

Both teams settled into a rhythm after that goal and the Byki got their defense organized. Sam Onaissi's blast from distance was parried away by the keeper, and Najera made a tremendous save moments later at his near post.

TFS made it 2:0 with 19:42 to go when a midfielder whisked his way past three Byki, who could only wave at him as he slalomed past them. Najera was powerless to do anything about the 1 v 1 opportunity.

### MIRO INDOOR SOCCER LEAGUE

February 21, 2012

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	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
TFS	7	7	0	0	52	26	21
United Serbs	7	5	0	2	50	35	15
Tatry FC	7	4	1	2	44	29	13
Odrawaz	7	4	0	3	48	37	12
LG Celtic Dads	7	3	0	4	36	45	9
Chicago Celtic	7	2	1	4	30	43	7
<b>Stare Byki FC</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>6</b>
Fire FC	7	0	0	7	28	61	0

The Byki pulled to within 2:1 a minute later following a steal at midfield. Mike Stamatinos sent the ball to Adam Hodge, who quickly spotted Maciek Kekus on the left side. Kekus measured his shot carefully, the ball nestling into the goal just inside the far post.

That ignited the TFS barrage. Their quick passing left the Byki seemingly standing in place. A deflected shot beat Najera with 17:54 to go and TFS followed that up with a well-placed ball from the right wing that found the left post.

The turnover demon then showed up in the Byki backline and TFS took advantage with ruthless precision. Two tallies 21 seconds apart following irresponsible Byki giveaways left TFS with a commanding 6:1 lead.

The Byki did not hang their heads. Just 0:48 after TFS's last goal, the Byki used hard work and a little luck to pull one back. Onaissi's kick-in from the deep right corner squirted between the legs of a defender who should have cleared the ball easily. Paul Mansur pounced on the opportunity and slotted home from close range.

With 6:36 left in the match, Lazaro Uriza lined up a kick-in from midfield and took aim at the near post. His

hard-hit ball looked destined for the upper corner, but the keeper was fortunate to deflect the shot to safety.

Uriza was right on target with 4:56 to go. The hustling Ohad Garnon fought for possession at midfield and slid the ball to Uriza. With no defenders around, Uriza cut loose from distance and drove the ball to the low corner.

The Byki got to within 6:4 with 2:09 left. They sped forward on the counterattack and Kieron Inalsingh threaded the needle with a cunning pass to Matt Fleming, who redirected the ball past the sprawling goalie. "It was my first thigh goal," quipped Fleming afterwards.

**BYKI LINEUP (2-3-1):** Najera – Samp, Mansur – Soegaard, Garnon, Hodge – Kekus. **Bench:** Dec, Fleming, Inalsingh, Onaissi, Stamatinos, Uriza, Worek.

**BYKI SCORING SUMMARY**

2:1 – Kekus 5 (Hodge); 21:18.

6:2 – Mansur 1 (Onaissi); 26:42.

6:3 – Uriza 2 (Garnon); 35:04.

6:4 – Fleming 4 (Inalsingh); 37:51.

**Byki Man of the Match:** Matt Fleming

# NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE STANDINGS

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## MAJOR DIVISION

Red Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts	Blue Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
FK Kozarac	12	7	4	1	49	28	25	RWB Adria A	12	12	0	0	85	19	36
B-H Lilies Royal	12	5	3	4	40	40	18	Albanian Stars	12	11	0	1	79	20	33
Tricycles SCA	12	5	3	4	33	37	18	Hellenic United Blue	12	5	1	6	41	36	16
SAC Wsła	12	5	2	5	51	53	17	CKS Warta A	12	5	0	7	41	44	15
KF Tirana	12	1	3	8	32	55	6	FK Republika Srpska A	12	4	2	6	45	66	14
B-H Lilies	12	1	2	9	43	83	5	Chicago Pride	12	1	0	11	25	83	3

## FIRST DIVISION

Red Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts	Blue Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Assyrian FC	12	11	1	0	51	21	34	Hellenic United White	12	9	1	2	57	19	28
Stare Byki FC	12	6	3	3	38	33	21	Zagłębie SC	12	8	0	4	47	22	24
Stal Melec	12	7	0	5	54	37	21	RWB Adria B	12	5	3	4	51	35	18
Gremio FCB	12	4	2	6	47	48	14	West Bosnia SC	12	4	1	7	26	57	13
Shlana FC	12	1	4	7	25	52	7	Winged Bull A	12	4	1	7	30	44	13
CKS Warta B	12	2	0	10	22	49	6	FK Republika Srpska B	12	2	2	8	19	50	8

## SECOND DIVISION

Red Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts	Blue Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Gremio FCA	12	9	1	2	53	22	28	NK Prijedor	12	10	2	0	48	16	32
Chicago Inter Yellow	12	8	2	2	55	33	26	FC Kosova	12	7	3	2	59	43	24
HNK Primorac	12	7	2	3	57	37	23	Tricycles SCB	12	6	3	3	42	28	21
Naperville Strikers	12	6	0	6	48	35	18	Chicago Dynasty FC	12	4	2	6	27	33	14
Chicago Inter Blue	12	1	3	8	28	58	6	Pitbulls SC	12	3	0	9	34	56	9
Winged Bull B	12	0	0	12	19	68	0	Chicago Inter White	12	1	2	9	21	62	5