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Sporting MD	3	Premier Soccer League 1st Division
Stare Byki	1	Soccer City 18 February 2018

Sporting sends Byki reeling

The free fall for the Byki continues with no end in sight. They suffered their fifth consecutive defeat last Sunday, and likely the worst one of the season, after losing 3:1 to last-place Sporting MD. The Byki dominated the possession stats, as Sporting were content to sit back and defend their lead. The scoring chances were sparse, as the Byki tasted defeat for the sixth time in seven outings.

The downfall for the Byki came once again in their defensive third, with two of Sporting's goals coming from rebounds off the boards. The Byki left players open who were in good shooting positions and Sporting took full advantage. Things weren't much more optimistic on the attacking side. The Byki could only create a handful of scoring opportunities, unable to solve a packed-in Sporting defense.

The Byki nearly grabbed an early lead, when Dmytro Korinenko's free kick from the corner of the penalty area at the 1:17 mark deflected off of a defender and forced the goalkeeper to dive quickly to block the shot. The loose ball was begging to be tapped in, but no Byki were in the neighborhood.

Sporting took an unlikely lead with 3:20 gone, when a wonder strike from just inside the halfway line clipped the underside of the crossbar before bouncing behind the goal line. The shot was more lucky than it was skillful, but was also emblematic of Byki troubles all season long. Whenever something can go wrong for this team, it does, and with annoying frequency.

Korinenko squared the contest 4:12 later. He measured a free kick at the penalty arc perfectly, drilling a low shot past the two-man wall and just inside the left post. The keeper, either unready or guessing wrong, was rooted to his line the entire time. Korinenko leads the Byki with 11 goals on the season.

Sporting went up 2:1 with 9:19 left in the first half. The launched a long ball into the Byki penalty area, where a striker flicked a header towards goal. The ball ricocheted off of the high boards back to the top of the box, where an unmarked Sporting player crushed a shot with full force past a diving Ray Najera.

The score went to 3:1 just before the break, when a long shot caromed off of the back boards into the middle of the Byki box. Najera dove to deflect the shot and got no help in the middle, as a Sporting player first-timed the rebound into the back of the net. "We conceded two really poor goals and it comes down to fundamentals," grouched coach George Gorecki afterwards. "We do a lot of talking about marking properly, but the execution in those situations was simply not good enough."

The Byki got a boost when they went on the power play early in the second half. Peter Wigham won a loose ball in the corner and centered for Volkan Akbas. He fired immediately, but the keeper found a way to block what seemed to be a certain goal.

The remainder of the match consisted of Sporting dropping all five field players behind the ball and daring the Byki to find a way through. The Byki kept up the pressure, but were unable to unlock the Sporting defense.

Sporting basically conceded the attacking aspect of their game, save for an occasional counterattacking opportunity. Najera was stellar when he needed to be, repelling several chances from close range. With the Byki pushing more players forward to get back into the contest, the counters were to be expected, and Sporting were unable to beat Najera.

The best chance for the Byki came with 5:53 to go. Joe Sauerman cranked a big bomb from the right wing, which the keeper did well to block. The rebound fell to

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Mike Stamatinos, whose near-post attempt was also blocked by Sporting's netminder.

The game ended in unbalanced fashion, as both teams saw players shuttling between the field and the penalty box. The uneven refereeing has been a real challenge for the Byki to accept and emotion and frustration have spilled over the edge at times.

The Byki have two games left in the regular season and the post-season tournament gives them one final chance at glory.

BYKI LINEUP (2-2-1): Najera – Stamatinos (c), Falinski – Banbor, McClure – Korinenko. **Bench:** Akbas, Crist, Sauerman, Wigham.

BYKI SCORING SUMMARY

1:1 –Korinenko 11; 7:32.

Byki Man of the Match: None given.

Byki Stats

FIRST TEAM, PSLC 1st DIVISION

Player	G	A	Pts
Korinenko	11	3	14
McClure	5	3	8
Banbor	3	5	8
Sokolowski	2	3	5
Akbas	3	1	4
Sauerman	2	2	4
Stevens	2	0	2
Stamatinos	0	2	2
Asyl	1	0	1
Falinski	1	0	1
Karatzas	1	0	1
Crist	0	1	1
Perez	0	1	1

Goalie	Min	GA	GAA
Najera	80	4	2.00
Chronowski	40	4	4.00
Perez	320	33	4.13

Current record: 3-1-7

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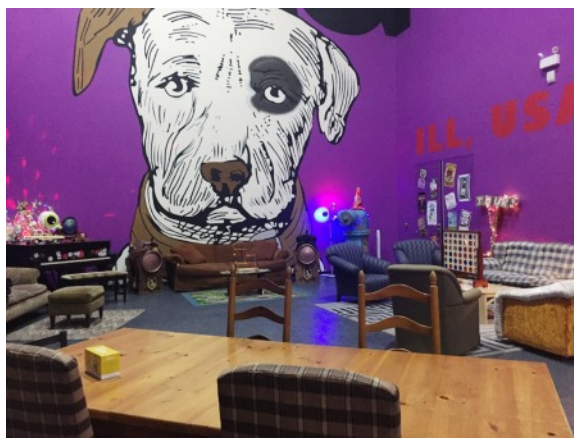
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MAJOR DIVISION

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
SAC Wisla	11	8	2	1	40	28	26
Czarni Jaslo	11	8	1	2	53	26	25
SAC Lightning	11	8	0	3	46	23	24
Wisloka Chicago	11	7	0	4	46	32	21
Sockers FC Blue	11	6	2	3	49	27	20
Sockers FC White	11	5	0	6	51	35	15
SAC Lightning U-23	11	4	1	6	34	42	13
FC Bodrost	11	3	0	8	37	54	9
Torino FC	10	2	0	8	24	46	6
Chicago Fire Jr Gold	10	0	0	10	4	71	0

FIRST DIVISION

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Jake's Stars Punishers	11	10	0	1	60	28	30
SAC Lightning Over 30	11	9	1	1	58	27	28
FC Moldova	11	8	1	2	63	26	25
Sting FC	11	6	0	5	35	51	18
Tarnovia Over 40	11	5	2	4	39	44	17
Thunder FC	11	5	1	5	32	34	16
Sockers FC Black	11	4	2	5	38	41	14
Unia Chicago	11	4	1	6	40	36	13
Jagiellonia	11	3	1	7	28	36	10
Stare Byki FC	11	3	1	7	31	41	10
Sporting MD	11	2	0	9	31	59	6
Levski Chicago	11	2	0	9	44	76	6