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Byki

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Chasquis

A Team - NSL 1st Division
Odeum - 29 February 2008

Balanced Byki squash Chasquis

Pairs of goals from Minos Bouzoukis and Jason Sphar paced the Byki to an easy 5:0 blanking of Los Chasquis last Friday. Chasquis brought only the minimum number of six players to do battle and the relentless Byki had them worn down by the middle of the first half. By displaying patience, the Byki let the goals come to them and the rest was inevitable.

The victory avenged an earlier 7:4 defeat to Chasquis, where the Byki were done in by the exploits of their star striker, who had a hand in every Chasquis score that night. The striker appears to have moved on to greener pastures, and Chasquis have been getting hammered ever since. Prior to last Friday, the feckless Chasquis had lost seven games on the trot, scoring 10 goals and conceding 70 in that span.

The Byki began the match in herky-jerky fashion, rushing the ball forward and hurrying their passes, which led to a bevy of unforced turnovers. That style was the perfect tonic for Chasquis, who kept players back in an effort to conserve energy. Once the Byki figured things out, the scoring chances poured down like rain.

Midway through the first half, Bouzoukis cracked a free

kick from outside the area that forced the keeper to tip the ball over the glass. On the ensuing corner kick, Jeff Samp, back early from a four-game suspension, slid a simple pass across the middle for the unmarked Bouzoukis, who knocked the ball home.

Chasquis roared back 1:45 later with what would be their best opportunity to score. They executed a nice 3 v 2 counterattack, but an open shot from the penalty arc clangd off of the goalpost.

The Byki doubled their pleasure 5:36 before the break when they converted on the power play. Crisan Talpes won the ball inside the Chasquis area and incredibly squeezed a pass through a thicket of legs for Sphar. With only the keeper to beat, Sphar deposited his shot between the netminder's legs.

Sphar had two outstanding opportunities to pad the lead for the Byki in the last four minutes of the half, but was denied by the post on each occasion.

The Byki made it clear that they wanted to add to their 2:0 lead in the second half, rather than sit back. Early on, Samp pressured the goalkeeper as he tried to clear the ball, leading to a mad scramble in the box. Samp ambitiously tried an overhead kick, but the ball hit the glass above the bar. Kevin Biggs tried to head the rebound home and sent the ball off the boards. Samp came in with a header of his own, but sent the ball just wide of the target.

The Samp-Bouzoukis combination was at work again with 10:55 left in the match. The Byki were on the power play and worked the ball around to get the Chasquis defenders off-balance. Samp took a ball from deep in the corner and laid it back to Bouzoukis in the middle. With time and space, Bouzoukis measured his shot and blasted into the upper corner to make it 3:0.

Just 1:21 later, Crisan Talpes sprinted onto a long pass and broke behind the defense. He bore down on the goalie, who had come off his line. Talpes delivered a powerful shot

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and was denied by a brilliant leg save from the sprawling keeper.

With 7:50 to go, the Byki put the result beyond any doubt. Bouzoukis stepped into the path of a weak clearance and passed to Sphar on the left side of the box. Sphar put his nutmegging capabilities on display once again, threading the ball through the wickets as the goalie came out to cut down the angle.

The Byki put a wrap on things with 5:10 left. Daniel Carvajal brought the ball up the left flank and squared the ball for Biggs at the top of the arc. With his back to goal, Biggs turned quickly and slammed his shot into the back of the net for his team-leading eighth goal of the campaign.

The Byki played with poise and confidence. Once they realized the Byki realized that they were the better side, Chasquis had no chance to compete. The Byki can still salvage a break-even finish to the season if they continue to play this way.

BYKI SCORING SUMMARY

Bouzoukis 2 (Samp); 10:12; 1:0. Sphar 2 (C. Talpes); (pp); 13:24; 2:0. Bouzoukis 3 (Samp); 27:05; (pp); 3:0. Sphar 3 (Bouzoukis); 30:10; 4:0. Biggs 8 (Carvajal); 32:50; 5:0.

BYKI LINEUP (2-1-2): N. Talpes – Black, Bouzoukis –Samp – Biggs, Sphar. **Bench:** Carvajal, Ruiz, Gambino, C. Talpes.

Byki Stats

A TEAM, NSL 1st DIVISION

Player	G	A	Pts
Biggs	8	1	9
Talpes, C.	7	2	9
Stanley	4	2	6
Samp	1	5	6
Bouzoukis	3	2	5
Sphar	3	1	4
Black	2	1	3
Haynes	2	0	2
Ruiz	2	0	2
Torossian	1	1	2
Taylor	1	0	1
Carvajal	0	1	1
Daniel	0	1	1
Team goals	1	x	x

Goalie	Min	GA	GAA
Talpes, N.	285	17	2.27
Eliasek	243	31	4.85
Samp	4	1	9.50

Current record: 4-2-8

O-30 TEAM, NSL O-30 DIVISION

Player	G	A	Pts
Haynes	13	3	16
Ciszewski	9	1	10
Pedlow	3	2	5
Jedrzejewski	2	3	5
Gambino	3	1	4
Fleming	2	2	4
Lane	0	4	4
Frischmann	2	1	3
Gallo	1	2	3
Arredondo	2	0	2
Treter	1	1	2
Elmkinssi	1	0	1
Gorecki	0	1	1
McGrath	0	1	1
Tower	0	1	1
Zhang	0	1	1

Goalie	Min	GA	GAA
Najera	494	73	5.62
Gambino	38	6	6.00

Current record: 2-0-12

O-40 TEAM, SPORTSZONE LEAGUE

Player	G	A	Pts
Haynes	7	2	9
Demarets	6	2	8
Siepiora	6	2	8
Kleine	4	4	8
Farhan	3	4	7
Tower	4	1	5
Marvin	3	1	4
Bolesta	1	3	4
Towsey	2	1	3
Silverstein	1	2	3
Cooper	0	2	2
Espinoza	0	1	1
Neighbors	0	1	1
Pruim	0	1	1
Wiecek	0	1	1
Team goals	3	x	x

Goalie	Min	GA	GAA
Pruim	336	46	5.75
Neighbors	42	10	10.00

Current record: 4-0-5

Aggressive Arabians too much for Byki

The Byki were unable to keep the momentum going from their big win over B-H Lilies the previous week and dropped a narrow 5:4 decision to Arabian FC last Friday. The Byki jumped out to a quick 2:0 lead, but some defensive errors fueled an Arabian comeback. They scored four unanswered goals and the teams traded scores the rest of the way, as Arabian FC held on for the win.

“We were prepared to go into this match with the same game plan as before,” said coach George Gorecki. “We wanted to keep possession of the ball and play with patience. The Arabians put more pressure on the ball than we expected, which disrupted things. We did some good stuff in this game, but they really punished our mistakes.”

The Byki had a bright start to the match. After stealing the ball away, Andy Lane and Russ Haynes sprinted forward on a 2-on-1 breakout. Lane dished the ball to Haynes, who beat his marker off the dribble, but fired over the crossbar.

At the 5:04 mark, Byki patience paid off. The Byki worked the ball out of the back up to midfield. When Enda McGrath encountered some resistance, he made a simple pass into the middle for Dan Jedrzejowski, who had run into space to support McGrath. Jedrzejowski wasted no effort, taking a quick touch and scorching a shot that ticked the inside of the post before settling into the back of the net.

It was 2:0 before the Arabians knew what had hit them. Matt Fleming received a pass at the top of the arc and froze his defender when he flicked the ball to the left wing for Matt Treter, who was roaming free. Treter came in at full speed, picked his corner, and drilled the ball past the stunned goalie. Lane nearly made it 3:0 moments later, as he blasted a shot from the right side. The keeper read the play well and made an outstanding save.

The Arabians pulled one back at the 8:32 mark. They worked a simple give-and-go play and the Byki were late in reacting to the return pass. Ray Najera came out to block the angle, but the striker drilled a shot underneath him.

Two goals in a span of 2:12 gave the Arabians the lead. In both cases, the Byki were guilty of inattentive marking and the Arabians took advantage. “Our guys are learning a hard lesson about playing Over 30,” noted Gorecki. “A lot of these clubs have teams in the Major Division and players of that caliber may get older, but they don’t turn into bad players. If you leave your man open, you put your goalie in trouble.”

The Byki tried to claw their way back into the contest right after the break. Haynes made an insightful pass to Fleming on the right. Fleming took a dribble and nailed a hard shot that forced a tough save from the keeper.

With 3:59 gone, the Byki gave the ball up at the own red line because of sloppiness and the Arabians parlayed that error into a goal, taking care of business with three quick passes that resulted in a tap-in at the doorstep.

Two minutes later, the Byki pulled to within 4:3 when the Arabians coughed up the ball after high pressure by the Byki. Haynes slipped the ball to Marek Ciszewski in the box and the striker did the rest.

The Arabians went up 5:3 with 8:10 left. The Byki were caught in a bad line change when the Arabians came on the counter. Najera slid in to win the ball from an Arabian striker, but was adjudged to have tripped him when the player flopped on contact. The referee awarded a penalty kick, which the Arabians duly converted. “I barely touched him and he fell right away,” said Najera.

But the Byki merely rolled up their sleeves and got back to work. With 6:43 to go, Ciszewski shot from distance and the keeper parried the ball away to the corner. Lane won the battle for the ball and shot from a tough angle. The keeper saved that one, but the ricochet went to Ciszewski in the box, and his shot was blocked by the defense.

The Byki looked sharp on the counterattack with 2:30 to go. Brett Frischmann sent a square pass to Steven Pedlow on the left flank. Pedlow fired immediately, but the keeper dove to deny Pedlow.

Further Byki pressure with 1:16 left led to their final goal. Ciszewski worked hard to get the ball away from a defender in the corner. He alertly dropped a pass back for Haynes, who was just to the left of the goalkeeper. Haynes fired a howitzer that blazed just under the bar for his 13th tally of the season.

BYKI SCORING SUMMARY

Jedrzejowski 2 (McGrath); 5:04; 0:1. Treter 1 (Fleming); 6:08; 0:2. Ciszewski 9 (Haynes); 24:59; 3:4. Haynes 13 (Ciszewski); 36:44; 4:5.

BYKI LINEUP (2-2-1): Gambino – Zhang, Treter – Jedrzejowski, Gallo (c) – Fleming. **Bench:** Ciszewski, Frischmann, Haynes, Lane, McGrath, Pedlow.

Tornadoes

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(Forfeit)

Byki

Over 40 Team - Sportszone Over 30 League
Sportszone - 3 March 2008

Byki relax with three points

The Over 40 Team picked up their fourth win in nine matches last Monday when the sad sacks known as the Tornadoes failed to show up. It was the third forfeit by the Tornadoes this season. The Tornadoes' roster is primarily made up of referees. Given that referees have a duty to be on time for their assignments, the inability of referees-turned-players to make their games is certainly puzzling.

The Byki used the field time at the Sportszone to stage an impromptu intrasquad scrimmage. There are four games left in the season and the Byki have 12 points from their nine

matches, good for fifth place in the table. While Deva Development continue to run away from the rest of the pack, the Byki are only five points out of second place. The Byki have tough matches against Arsenal and Chicago Soccer coming up, and will need their best effort if they hope to climb out of the middle of the table.

BYKI LINEUP (2-2-1): Pruium – Tower, Bolesta – Marvin, Kleine – Demarets. **Bench:** Farhan, Neighbors, Siepiora, Wiecek.

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
RWB Adria A	14	10	2	2	52	21	32	SC BiH	14	11	2	1	65	26	35
HNNK Hrvatska	14	9	4	1	55	21	31	FK Kozarac	14	10	1	3	65	36	31
B-H Lilies	14	7	2	5	38	37	23	RWB Adria B	14	6	2	6	48	37	20
NK Prijedor	14	4	2	8	29	61	14	SAC Wisla	14	5	2	7	28	35	17
Albanian Stars	14	4	1	9	39	49	13	Royal FC	14	3	1	10	24	51	10
KF Ulqin	14	2	2	10	24	64	8	CKS Warta	14	2	1	11	30	59	7

FIRST DIVISION

Red Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts	Blue Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
FK Republica Srpska	14	11	2	1	74	23	35	Podlasie	14	14	0	0	106	13	42
Stal Mielec	14	11	0	3	65	25	33	West Bosnia SC	14	10	2	2	59	37	32
Deportivo Colomex	14	9	3	2	72	29	30	Capitol Czarni Jaslo	14	10	2	2	80	29	32
Oak Park Tricycles	14	9	2	3	58	24	29	Real Independiente	14	7	4	3	35	18	25
CKS Warta C	14	9	2	3	54	29	29	CD Taximaroa	14	7	2	5	44	40	23
CKS Warta B	14	6	0	8	45	49	18	HNNK Hrvatska B	14	7	1	6	40	39	22
Lake Shore SC	14	5	3	6	58	45	18	FK Bosanska Dubica	14	5	1	8	61	49	16
Chicago Thunder	14	5	2	7	38	35	17	FK Podrinje	14	4	2	8	40	70	14
Juanacatlan	14	4	1	9	43	71	13	Stare Byki FC	14	4	2	8	35	49	14
Montenegro SC	14	3	1	10	32	73	10	Lemont FC	14	3	1	10	39	62	10
Chicago Inter R-B	14	2	0	12	18	109	6	Los Chasquis	14	3	0	11	30	112	9
Khaboor FC	14	2	0	12	26	71	6	Pitbulls SC	14	1	1	12	31	82	4

OVER 30 DIVISION

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
RWB Adria	14	14	0	0	113	30	42
Polonia SC	14	9	1	4	81	42	28
B-H Lilies	14	8	0	6	64	61	24
Arabian FC	14	7	1	6	61	65	22
SAC Wisla	14	7	0	7	56	72	21
HNNK Hrvatska	14	6	2	6	51	52	20
Stare Byki FC	14	2	0	12	39	79	6
NK Prijedor	14	1	0	13	37	101	3

SPORTSZONE OVER 30 LEAGUE

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	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Deva Development	9	8	1	0	88	39	25
Chicago Soccer	9	5	2	2	61	51	17
Peaked Venture	9	4	4	1	53	44	16
Chicago Force	9	4	1	4	49	41	13
Stare Byki FC	9	4	0	5	40	56	12
Arsenal	9	4	0	5	60	55	12
Tornadoes	9	2	0	7	32	45	6
Team Demar	9	1	0	8	22	74	3