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Vikings	<b>6</b>	National Soccer League Major Division
Stare Byki	<b>3</b>	Hawthorne 14 June 2018

## Vikings zoom past Byki

The Byki dropped their second consecutive match last Thursday, going down 6:3 to Vikings AA at Hawthorne. The Vikings raced out to a 3:0 lead after just 11 minutes and the Byki were playing catch-up the rest of the way. After the Byki had pulled to within 3:2, the Vikings delivered two more strikes in a seven-minute span to put the result in the bank.

It was the first-ever meeting between the sides. The Vikings, who recently jumped from the Metropolitan Soccer League back to the NSL, have maintained a strong position in the Major Division ever since. The Vikings were NSL members from as far far back as the 1940s.

They came at the Byki with a furious and unrelenting pace to start the match. The Byki wanted to be prepared to prevent early pressure, but the overall team speed of the Vikings' players was simply too much for the Byki to handle. They opened their account after just seven minutes, when an open player on the left wing cut inside and beat Alex Perez with a low shot to the far post. Two minutes later, a Vikings player slashed through the Byki penalty area and was brought down, leading to a penalty kick. At the 11-minute mark, the Vikings beat the Byki on the break, as their striker simply outpaced the Byki backline.

The Byki fought back and made it 3:1 on 19 minutes. An inswinging corner kick turned into mayhem in front of the Viking goal. The scramble resulted in Erik Yamane redirecting the ball home with a facial deflection.

The Vikings made a bid to get that one back in the late stages of the first half. Alex Perez came up big when a Vikings player turned and shot from 15 yards. He then stoned a Vikings player as they countered 4 v 1 just moments later.

The Byki changed their formation to a 4-4-2 for the second half, noticing that putting pressure on the Vikings fullbacks might prove fruitful and committed more players going forward. They also came to the realization that every player was going to be required to play with his foot on the gas for

the entire 45 minutes.

The tactic provided the desired effect, as the game shifted somewhat towards the Vikings end of the field. In the 60th minute, Byron Perez cut inside from the right wing and crushed a shot from 20 yards. The keeper got fingertips to the ball to guide it away from the goal.

Perez was not to be denied, however. Five minutes later, Yamane started the play from the right flank and found Francesco de Felice in the center. De Felice kept the ball moving and slipped it to an unmarked Perez on the left. Perez sprinted into the box and slammed a shot off of the near post, off the goalie, and into the back of the net to cut the deficit to 3:2.

By getting that crucial goal, the Byki could create doubt in the minds of the Vikings, but the home side showed excellent mental toughness by answering with a fourth tally just two minutes later. A cross from the deep right wing was redirected from inside the goal area to make it 4:2. The score went to 5:2 in the 74th minute, as the Vikings' superior pace beat the Byki to the mark yet again.

"It was clear that we could not continue that top effort for more than about 30 minutes," said coach George Gorecki afterwards. "It was a really good stretch of soccer for us, but there has to be more to be able to stay in the game."

The Byki certainly didn't act like a beaten team. In the 80th minute, JD Joiner lofted a free kick into the box and the Vikings could not clear. With players from both sides desperately trying to get a foot in, Matt Tutich slid into the fray to send a shot on target.

In the 88th minute, the Byki earned a penalty kick, when Bryan de Rama was knocked down in the box. De Felice converted the spot kick to make it 5:3. The Vikings added a sixth goal just before the final whistle.

**BYKI LINEUP (4-2-3-1):** A. Perez – Joiner, Stevens, Stamatinos (c), Lauderback – Sauerman, Parker – B. Perez, Yamane, De Felice – Tutich.  
**Bench:** Bickel, De Rama, Sokolowski, Zeman.

### BYKI SCORING SUMMARY

1:3 – Yamane 1; 19th.  
2:3 – B. Perez 2 (De Felice); 65th.

**Byki Man of the Match:** Byron Perez.

# 2017

NSL FIRST DIVISION  
PSLC OVER 30 B DIVISION

# CHAMPIONS

FC Oasu	<b>7</b>	Premier Soccer League Over 30 White B Division
Byki O-30	<b>2</b>	Olympic Park 10 June 2018

## Oasu pound on soggy Byki

FC Oasu brought their hammers to rainy Olympic Park last Sunday and used the Over 30 Team for nails in a 7:2 beatdown. Oasu broke open a scoreless affair with four goals in the final 20 minutes of the first half. The defeat drops the Byki to middle of the table, with nine points from six matches.

The match was played in a persistent rain, which made lots of passes miss their target on the slick surface. But Oasu displayed a far higher level of overall team speed than the Byki could muster and the difference proved significant, as Oasu counterattacks were dangerous all day long.

The Byki were not far from denting the scoreboard in the ninth minute, when Richard Sodeinde and Tim Patz exchanged quick passes along the left wing. Patz put a diagonal ball across the face of the Oasu goal, but Volkan Akbas was a step late in arriving for the tap-in.

Although Oasu maintained a comfortable possession advantage, they were unable to translate that into a goal until the 25th minute. They sent a long pass down the left wing and Mo Soaga and Alan Stevens gave chase. Goalkeeper Joel McClure came out to challenge and the Oasu player lobbed the ball over him into the empty net.

The score went to 2:0 in the 36th minute, as the Byki were beaten on the counter on the left side. An Oasu player had plenty of time and space and rifled home a shot from 20 yards. Three minutes later, the score swelled to 3:0.

The Byki tried to respond in the 38th minute, when Patz tried for the far post. The goalkeeper dove and blocked the shot, but no Byki were close enough to put back the rebound.

Five minutes later, Soaga played the ball to Owoicho Adogwa in the middle. His defense-splitting pass found the streaking Jon Hernandez, whose low shot tucked inside the post to make it 3:1.

Oasu added to their lead in first-half stoppage time, when a deflected shot left goalkeeper McClure helpless.

Oasu picked up where they left off to start the second half. They needed just four minutes to increase the advantage to 5:1 when their superior pace beat the Byki yet again on the counterattack.

The Byki scored their second in the 71st minute. Robby McClure intercepted a pass at midfield and carried deep into the Oasu penalty area. He sent a square pass for Akbas, who netted a first-timer from close range.

Not ready to throw in the towel, the Byki continued to look for more goals. In the 79th minute, Hernandez found Jonathan Ruiz, who dummied the pass for Sodeinde. Sodeinde then centered for Akbas, whose attempt went wide. Two minutes later, Hernandez pressured an Oasu defender into a turnover just outside the box and played the give-and-go with Akbas. The striker hit a bomb that the keeper blocked, but

the rebound scooted past Sodeinde, positioned for the put-back.

Oasu added two more goals to their total in the last four minutes to make it 7:2 at the end.

Oasu presented the Byki with a very tough test, but the Byki could have helped themselves significantly had they just simplified their game. They gave the ball away needlessly when trying to make the highlight-reel pass, when the easy pass was frequently available.

**BYKI LINEUP (4-4-2):** J. McClure (c) – R. McClure (c), Stevens, Gibbs, Jaworski – Patz, Hernandez, Camposs, Klosterman – Akbas, Sodeinde.  
**Bench:** Adogwa, J. Ruiz, Soaga.

### BYKI SCORING SUMMARY

1:3 – Hernandez 1 (Adogwa); 43rd.

2:5 – Akbas 5 (R. McClure); 71st.

**Byki Man of the Match:** None given.

Byki O-48	<b>0</b>	Premier Soccer League Over 48 Division
Concordia	<b>5</b>	Olympic Park 13 June 2018

## Concordia flurry too much for Byki

The Over 48 Team sought to limit perennial powerhouse HNK Concordia by playing disciplined defense and that approach was pretty effective for the first half of the contest. But the giveaway virus must have spread through the Byki roster at the break, because the second half saw a plethora of unforced turnovers. The opportunistic Concordia attackers took full advantage, scoring three times in a six-minute span. A 1:0 lead exploded into 4:0 and the Byki found themselves hopelessly behind en route to a 5:0 defeat at Olympic Park.

The Byki have been playing a 5-3-2 system to reasonably good effect so far this season. Tough marking and good communication limited Concordia's scoring opportunities, so the Byki had plenty of reasons to be optimistic. "The giveaways came in the worst places on the field and left us unbalanced defensively," moaned interim player-coach George Gorecki.

Concordia's lone score in the first half came midway through and left goalkeeper Ray Najera dizzy from the quirky flight of the ball. A Concordia player drove a floating knuckler from the right flank towards the Byki goal. Everyone thought the shot was going to sail wide until it swerved inside of the

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post, leaving Najera, positioned at that post, flummoxed.

The Byki created some buzz around the Concordia goal to close the half. A Concordia defender nearly helped the Byki equalize in the 32nd minute, when his attempted clearing header hit the post.

Moments later, Jose Arno swerved a corner kick into the mixer. Newcomer Bill Javaras got his head to the ball, sending it along to Cesar Ochoa. Seeing George Higginbotham pushed forward, Ochoa headed the ball down into Higginbotham's path. Higginbotham let fly, but a defender stuck a leg in to deflect the ball away.

In the 36th minute, Ochoa stepped into a blind pass and fired from 20 yards, going narrowly over the crossbar.

The goal parade for Concordia began in the 55th minute

and they punished Byki mistakes with surgically precise finishing. The Byki hardly knew what had hit them by the time the score had reached 4:0.

Concordia added a final score in the 76th minute, when they converted a free kick from 25 yards. The Concordia player's placement was near perfect, just over the wall and just under the bar.

**BYKI LINEUP (5-3-2):** R. Najera – Higginbotham, J. Park. King, Javaras, Carrillo – Tower, Huck, Arno – Kosmas, Sisson. **Bench:** Jacobs, Muehlbauer, Ochoa, Safford, Towsey, Zadlo.

**BYKI SCORING SUMMARY**  
None.

**Byki Man of the Match:** None given.

# Byki Stats

FIRST TEAM, NSL MAJOR DIVISION				O-30 TEAM, PSLC O-30 DIVISION				O-40 TEAM, PSLC O-40 DIVISION				O-48 TEAM, PSLC O-48 DIVISION			
Player	G	A	Pts	Player	G	A	Pts	Player	G	A	Pts	Player	G	A	Pts
De Felice	2	1	3	Akbas	5	1	6	Penafiel	2	1	3	Huck	3	2	5
Perez, B	2	1	3	Sodeinde	3	2	5	Ekundayo	1	0	1	Pedlow	2	1	3
Kirk, Q	0	3	3	Klosterman	4	0	4	Towsey	0	1	1	Retterer	2	1	3
Sauerman	2	0	2	Gibbs	1	2	3	<hr/>				Jacobs	0	2	2
Tutich	2	0	2	Jaworski	1	2	3	<b>Goalie</b>	<b>Min</b>	<b>GA</b>	<b>GAA</b>	Arno	1	0	1
Korinenko	1	1	2	Adogwa	1	1	2	Vlahakis	225	4	1.60	Carrillo	1	0	1
Yamane	1	1	2	McClure, R	1	1	2	Park, J	45	1	2.00	Zadlo	0	1	1
Joiner	1	0	1	Jaramillo	0	2	2	Fukar	90	6	6.00	<hr/>			
Parker	1	0	1	Campos	1	0	1	Current record: 0-2-2				<b>Goalie</b>	<b>Min</b>	<b>GA</b>	<b>GAA</b>
<hr/>				Hernandez	1	0	1					Park, J	45	1	2.00
<b>Goalie</b>	<b>Min</b>	<b>GA</b>	<b>GAA</b>	Patz	1	0	1					Najera, R	225	11	4.40
Menyes	180	2	1.00	Durojaiye	0	1	1					Current record: 1-0-3			
Perez, A	270	10	3.33	Espinoza	0	1	1								
Current record: 3-0-2				<hr/>											
				<b>Goalie</b>	<b>Min</b>	<b>GA</b>	<b>GAA</b>								
				Najera	450	9	1.80								
				McClure, J	90	7	7.00								
				Current record: 3-0-3											

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	<b>GP</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>GF</b>	<b>GA</b>	<b>Pts</b>
RWB Adria	4	3	1	0	11	3	10
Gazelle SC	3	3	0	0	7	1	9
Wisloka Chicago	3	3	0	0	12	2	9
<b>Stare Byki FC</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>9</b>
Vikings AA	4	2	2	0	14	8	8
SAC Wisla	3	2	0	1	7	4	6
FC Guadalajara	4	2	0	2	10	11	6
AAC Winged Bull	5	1	1	3	5	14	4
CKS Warta	4	1	0	3	12	13	3
Das Magic	4	0	0	4	6	13	0
Dundalk FC	5	0	0	5	7	22	0

**PSLC OVER 30 WHITE DIVISION****10 June 2018****www.pslchicagoland.com**

	<b>GP</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>GF</b>	<b>GA</b>	<b>Pts</b>
Levski Chicago 2014	6	6	0	0	33	8	18
Celtics	6	4	1	1	18	16	13
FC Oasu	5	3	1	1	33	11	10
Tricolorii FC	6	3	1	2	28	9	10
AEK FC Chicago	4	3	0	1	24	6	9
<b>Stare Byki FC</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>9</b>
FC Igloopol	5	2	1	2	13	11	7
International SC	4	1	1	2	18	16	4
Chicago Rangers FC	5	1	1	3	14	17	4
FC National	5	1	0	4	18	22	3
Shogun	4	1	0	3	7	24	3
Adventists United FC	6	0	0	6	2	71	0

**PSLC OVER 40 B DIVISION****10 June 2018****www.pslchicagoland.com**

	<b>GP</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>GF</b>	<b>GA</b>	<b>Pts</b>
Olympiacos Chicago	6	5	1	0	30	4	16
FK Danubia	5	3	2	0	16	7	11
Park Ridge Rogues	3	2	1	0	9	4	7
Deerfield	5	2	1	2	7	9	7
Atletico Torino FC	3	1	0	2	3	15	3
<b>Stare Byki FC</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2</b>
International SC	3	0	1	2	2	5	1
MANA United SC	2	0	0	2	1	4	0
Real FC Blues	3	0	0	3	2	14	0

**PSLC OVER 48 DIVISION****13 June 2018****www.pslchicagoland.com**

	<b>GP</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>GF</b>	<b>GA</b>	<b>Pts</b>
Jakes Stars Villains	4	3	1	0	16	1	10
Park Ridge Rogues	5	3	1	1	19	6	10
HNK Concordia	3	3	0	0	11	1	9
St Charles Celtics	5	3	0	2	20	19	9
Sofia BG	4	1	3	0	9	4	6
Atletico Torino FC	5	1	1	3	8	15	4
<b>Stare Byki FC</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>3</b>
St. Charles Celtics Silverbacks	6	0	0	6	6	37	0