



BOUNCINGS

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Byki A

1 : 3

Byki B

A Team - NSL 1st Division
Winnebago - 11 July 2007

B Team prevail in Byki derby

Joe Gambino has been a player with the Byki A Team since 1999 and is one of the coaches of the B Team. As the day approached for the teams to meet in a competitive match, he said that players from both sides were eager to show the other side who was better. "The guys in the A Team believe they are the better team," said Gambino. "But the guys on the B team are the like the little brother who always wants to beat his big brother." The teams met on July 11 and the little brothers proved that they were plenty big, as the B Team handed the A Team a stinging 3:1 defeat.

The B Team overwhelmed the A Team with aggressive defending and commitment to winning the 50-50 balls. Quite often, the A Team found themselves to be a step slow and the B Team took full advantage. The blitzed the Byki goal to grab the early lead and then put their stamp on the match with two quick strikes just after the break. The A Team put up a concerted effort in the game's final 20 minutes, but it was far too late to mount an effective comeback.

The B Team put pressure on the A Team from the outset. Newcomer Matthias Zoeller sent a well-placed cross into A

Team penalty area. When Russ Haynes crashed into Paul Mansur to take him out of the play, it was left to Eamon Colwell to finish the play for the B Team. Colwell shot directly at Ryan Eliasek from short range, but Eliasek used his quick reflexes to make the save. The rebound went right back to Colwell, who made no mistake on the second try and the B Team were on a roll.

Although the A Team managed to settle down after the shocking start, the B Team was dominating the tempo of the match. The A Team experienced difficulty in maintaining possession and resorted to launching long passes that lacked a definite target. You can't score if you don't have the ball and Jorge de la Cruz was hardly challenged by the A Team in the first 45 minutes.

Coach George Gorecki told his team at halftime that they had to make a bigger commitment to moving off the ball and marking more tightly. Marek Ciszewski summed up the situation pretty accurately. "The B Team were playing like it was a competitive game," he said. "We were playing like we were out there to get 90 minutes of exercise."

That increase in commitment didn't materialize until the game was out of hand. The B Team kept up their intensity in the second half and it paid off handsomely. In the 55th minute, Haynes crossed the ball into Zoeller, who laid it off for Andy Lane. The midfielder curled his shot into the top corner from distance to make it 2:0 to the B Team.

The B Team didn't stop there and were up by three just four minutes later. A weak backpass to Eliasek left the goalkeeper in peril. Zoeller saw an opportunity and put pressure on Eliasek, who reached the ball first, but his clearance deflected off of Zoeller high into the air. Haynes sprinted to the loose ball and redirected a soft header into the unguarded goal for a 3:0 lead.

Gorecki changed his team's formation to a 3-4-3 to get more attacking players forward. The tactic would expose the A Team backline to more pressure and that pressure should

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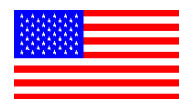
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have led to the night's easiest goal. Haynes dispossessed stopper Jason Bant and then rounded Eliasek, only to push the ball wide of the gaping open net.

The desperation of the A Team turned their game in the right direction, as they finally began moving the ball quickly and finding openings in the B Team's defense along the flanks. With 13 minutes left in the game, Chris Moore sent a cross into the box that forced de la Cruz off his line. De la Cruz spilled the ball inside the goal box and Zach Dance knocked the loose ball into the net.

That goal proved to be too little, too late, but the A Team didn't play like a beaten team. They kept pushing and Gambino narrowly missed closing the gap to 3:2 with a volley from 30 yards that hit the top of the crossbar.

The result takes the two teams in opposite directions. The B Team are just two points away from the top six, but two of their last three round-robin matches are against Lemont FC and Royal FC, who are the leaders of the 1st Division. The A Team are now resigned to finishing out the season in the Classification Section, which will be the name of the

group that contains the bottom six teams. The squads have used the mid-season break to prepare for the remainder of the season with a full arsenal.

Russ Haynes contributed to this story.

A TEAM SCORING SUMMARY

Dance 11; 77th; 1:3.

A TEAM LINEUP (4-4-2): Eliasek – Samp, Mansur, P Jr, Bant, Moore, C – Bouzoukis, Delaunay, Stanley, Fleming – Dance (c), Lin. **Bench:** Ciszewski, Daniel, Gambino, Goudeaux, Zwickl.

B TEAM SCORING SUMMARY

Colwell 1; 6th; 0:1. Lane 1 (Zoeller); 55th; 0:2. Haynes 3; 59th; 0:3.

B TEAM LINEUP (4-3-3): de la Cruz – Towsey, Williams, Gallo, Casey (c) – Tenorio, McGrath, Colwell – Haynes, Zoeller, Torossian. **Bench:** Frischmann, Freeman, Harake, Lane, Peng.

Byki Stats

A TEAM, NSL 1st DIVISION

Player	G	A	Pts
Dance	11	3	14
Stanley	4	2	6
Bouzoukis	1	3	4
Goudeaux	3	0	3
Gwin	1	1	2
Fleming	0	2	2
Rose	0	2	2
Daniel	1	0	1
Mansur, P Jr	0	1	1
Mayer	0	1	1
Moore, C	0	1	1

Goalie	Min	GA	GAA
Eliasek	720	24	3.00

Current record: 1-2-5

B TEAM, NSL 1st DIVISION

Player	G	A	Pts
Haynes	3	1	4
Torossian	3	0	3
Lin	2	1	3
Frsichamann	0	3	3
Colwell	1	1	2
Harake	1	0	1
Lane	1	0	1
McGrath	1	0	1
Gallo	0	1	1
Team goals	3	x	x

Goalie	Min	GA	GAA
Drake	180	3	1.50
de la Cruz	540	9	1.50

Current record: 4-1-3

O-30 TEAM, NSL O-30 DIVISION

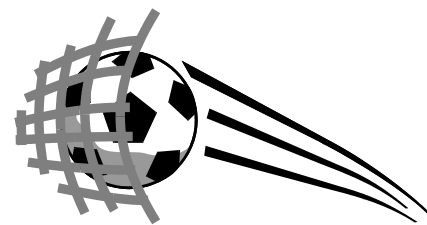
Player	G	A	Pts
Garcia	2	1	3
Elmkinssi	1	0	1
Jedrzejewski	1	0	1
Moore, P.	1	0	1
Regueiro	1	0	1
Arredondo	0	1	1
Frsichmann	0	1	1
He	0	1	1

Goalie	Min	GA	GAA
Mansur, P Sr	40	0	0.00
Cook	250	10	3.20
Blanco	350	14	3.20

Current record: 0-2-6



BYKI bits & pieces



Some Byki used the mid-season break to have some fun in the sun. **Russ Haynes** organized a team to play in the annual beach soccer tournament run by the Illinois State Soccer Association. The Byki team played in the co-ed competition and garnered the second-place trophy last Sunday. Russ accepted the trophy during a ceremony at Toyota Park at halftime of the Fire's friendly match versus Celtic. It was unfortunate that only two members of the squad were present for the trophy presentation, but the tightwads at the ISSA only provided two tickets per team for the Fire-Celtic match.

It was a great effort by the group, especially because only two ladies were in the team. Because the tournament rules require two women to be on the field at all times, Pauli and **Sarah** played every minute of every game.

At right is a team photo, as the Byki were joined by **Ronald McDonald**. Russ was rather proud of the moment, noting, "This was the *real* Ronald McDonald, not some impostor in a clown suit."



Byki President George Gorecki spent part of his mid-season break on the West Coast and contributes the following scarf pictures. George and his Byki scarf traveled to Petco Park in San Diego and later made his way to the Home Depot Center outside of Los Angeles for the clash between the Fire and the LA Galaxy. Although most of the baseball fans were confused when they saw the scarf at



Petco, the soccer fans at the HDC were not very welcoming of a Fire fan invading enemy territory and then flaunting his team's colors.

If you're traveling, be sure to pack your Byki scarf and take pictures in interesting and unusual places. Our database of scarf pictures has hundreds of entries; make sure that you're included!



And as if George didn't have enough to do already, he now has begun moonlighting as a soccer writer. Yes, 15 years of writing *BB* has proved to be the proper springboard for George, who is the soccer writer at www.tvsportsdaily.com. "I saw an Internet posting for a website looking for someone to write about MLS," said George. "I sent the editor a copy of *BB* and he invited me to join the staff. It's been fun so far."

George's soccer stories appear twice per week at the site. One story wraps up the action of all MLS games from the previous weekend and the second story tackles current topics related to MLS. Be sure to visit often!

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MAJOR DIVISION

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
RWB Adria	8	6	1	1	20	8	19
HNNK Hrvat	9	6	1	2	25	15	19
CKS Warta	8	5	2	1	24	17	17
SAC Wisla	9	4	2	3	20	12	14
FC Romania	9	4	2	3	25	25	14
Honduras SC	8	4	1	3	18	14	13
B-H Lllies	9	4	1	4	15	17	13
Gazelle SC	8	3	3	2	12	13	12
Jahbat FC	9	2	1	6	17	24	7
KF Ulqin	7	2	0	5	13	17	6
NK Prijedor	8	1	2	5	8	19	5
Albanian Stars	8	0	2	6	9	25	2

FIRST DIVISION

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Lemont FC	9	6	2	1	25	11	20
Royal FC	7	6	1	0	26	9	19
Deportivo Colomex	8	6	0	2	21	12	18
Chicago Thunder	8	5	1	2	23	10	16
Khaboor FC	8	5	1	2	23	14	16
FC Steaua Chicago	8	4	3	1	22	15	15
Stare Byki B	8	4	1	3	15	12	13
West Indies Jets	8	3	1	4	19	18	10
FK Kozarac	8	2	0	6	12	29	6
Stare Byki A	8	1	2	5	21	24	5
West Bosnia SC	7	0	0	7	7	27	0
Turkish FC	9	0	0	9	8	41	0

SECOND DIVISION

Red Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts	Blue Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Das Magic	8	6	2	0	37	17	20	Real Independiente	8	6	0	2	29	21	18
FK Podrinje	8	3	2	3	19	18	11	CKS Warta B	8	5	1	2	19	13	16
GR-04	7	2	1	4	25	21	7	FC Kosova	8	4	0	4	22	17	12
Los Chasquis	8	2	0	6	21	43	6	Juanacatlan	9	4	0	5	15	20	12
Pitbulls SC	6	1	2	3	14	23	5	FC Transilvania	8	1	2	5	16	24	5

OVER 30 DIVISION

Red Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts	Blue Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Lake Shore A	8	5	1	2	31	21	16	Arabian FC	9	7	1	1	38	16	22
Tanners SC	8	3	4	1	21	23	13	SAC Wisla	7	4	3	0	28	13	15
Gato Verde	9	2	4	3	25	17	10	Hellas SC	7	4	1	2	21	19	13
Jahbat FC	7	1	3	3	20	32	6	Lake Shore B	8	1	1	6	12	27	4
West Indies Jets	7	0	4	3	11	21	4	Stare Byki FC	8	0	2	6	6	24	2