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Byki

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Colomex

A Team - NSL 1st Division  
Winnebago - 28 July 2007

## Well, it's about time!

The Byki finally recalled the taste of victory last Sunday when they earned a 2:1 win over Deportivo Colomex at Winnebago. It was the A Team's first win since the season opener on April 29. After going three months without a win, the Byki got their act together and their effort was rewarded with the most complete effort of the season.

With a 1-2-5 record at the halfway point, coach George Gorecki asked each player to correct specific flaws in their games as they approached the second half of the season. The players responded with teamwork and a solid work ethic aimed at improvement.

Games versus Colomex are typically tight, close affairs and this one was no different. Colomex came into the match in third place in the 1st Division, so the match had plenty of consequence for them. The loss put a significant dent into their promotion hopes.

Things didn't exactly go according to plan in the early part of the contest. Colomex came on the counter in the ninth minute and as Pierre Delaunay chased down the striker sprinting to the Byki goal, he stuck his foot out to get a piece

of the ball. He got more of the ball than he would have liked, sending it over Ryan Eliasek's head into the net. "It was an unfortunate touch for Pierre," Gorecki said. "But I really liked our reaction to the play."

The Byki attack started coming at Colomex in waves. Rapid ball movement kept Colomex on edge and the Byki probed for openings. In the 24th minute, Matt Fleming curled a free kick from the left side into the near post. Marek Ciszewski got there first, but sent his short header just wide.

Five minutes later, Chris Rose got stuck in the deep corner at the Colomex end of the field and dropped the ball back for Ciszewski, who took off on a forceful run parallel to the 18. He turned and fired a screaming shot that ticked the top of the crossbar.

The Byki got their equalizer in the 34th minute. A ball was played into Jwo-Hornng Lin near the goal area. Lin deftly headed the ball back toward the goal and debutante Jun Harada finished the play off by knocking a shot past the diving keeper at close range. Lin and Harada played a very aggressive style up front, constantly harassing the Colomex defenders into making turnovers.

Colomex thought they could catch the Byki napping just a minute later. A dangerous corner kick was headed toward the near post, where Delaunay headed the ball away. The ball floated to the other post, where Chad Daniel stuck his head in and sent the ball to safety.

The Byki had another good opportunity before the break when Ciszewski chased down a loose ball in the deep corner. He won possession and fired a cross to the far post, where Dan Stanley hit a first-time shot over the bar.

The Byki came into halftime with a long-lost feeling, a feeling of confidence. With everyone doing their jobs and the Byki having a bench that was five subs deep, the players could feel that the game was in their hands.

They nearly put the game away at the hour mark. Fleming sent Zach Dance through with a pass that split the defense.

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Dance dribbled into the box, his run taking him to the byline. He centered the ball for the supporting Yahui Peng, but Peng shot the ball right at the diving keeper.

Moments later, Dance had an open shot inside the box, and the keeper made a spectacular reflex save, sticking out his paw at the last possible second to deflect the ball.

The Byki controlled the tempo and another goal was just a matter of time. Eleven minutes from time, Paul Mansur dribbled in from the right wing and played a simple pass for Lin, who immediately attacked the Colomex penalty area. His run drew all of the attention to the right side and at just

the right moment, he squared the ball to Dance for the easy tap-in.

The Byki saw the effect of fighting hard for one another and their effort was richly rewarded with the three points.

#### A TEAM SCORING SUMMARY

Harada 1 (Lin); 34th; 1:1. Dance 12 (Lin); 79th; 2:1.

**A TEAM LINEUP (4-4-2):** Eliasek – Samp, Mansur, P Jr, Rose, Delaunay – Daniel, Stanley, Goudeaux, Bouzoukis – Dance (c), Lin. **Bench:** Ciszewski, Dos Santos, Fleming, Harada, Peng.

Byki

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Hellas

Over 30 Team - NSL Over 30 Division  
Winnebago - 28 July 2007

## Byki have no answers for Hellas

The Byki old-timers were shut out for the third straight game and for the fifth time overall when they lost 7:0 to Hellas in a disappointing match last Saturday. At 0-2-7 for the season, there is nowhere to go but up.

Coach Wei Zhang tried to shake up the lineup by putting Steven Pedlow at striker to generate more offense. Pedlow, normally a fullback, has shown that he has the energy to get forward and put pressure on players. Pedlow didn't do much to change things on Saturday, but he was merely victim to the same problem all Over 30 strikers have faced this season: lack of quality service.

Zhang and coaching partner Eric Tower have been trying to emphasize the importance of ball possession, but that message has not gotten through. All too often, the Byki simply produce aimless passes forward, and the results are entirely predictable. The ball gets turned over and the Byki defense is under pressure all over again.

And the defense didn't exactly shine in this game either. Emergency goalkeeper Vitaly Tsipris had a very busy afternoon, as the players in front of him were practically helpless in stopping the seemingly never-ending stream of Hellas players running into open space.

The lack of teamwork on both sides of the ball was appalling, and it played right into the hands of the Hellas team. With the Byki so willing to give the ball away, the Hellas back line had an easy day and their goalie could have fallen asleep during the 80 minutes of boredom.

Hellas grabbed the lead after six minutes when their striker ran past Tower 1 v 1 and easily slotted underneath Tsipris. The Byki held out until the end of the first half, but the Byki

got killed by balls played over the top and their slow reaction to Hellas players running into space. Hellas led 3:0 at the break.

The start of the second half would have been a good time to regroup and get everyone refocused on the game plan. But Hellas had other ideas, torching the Byki for three goals in the first twelve minutes.

#### BYKI SCORING SUMMARY

None.

**BYKI LINEUP (4-4-2):** Tsipris – Zhang, Gorecki, Tower, Geng – Song, Jedrzejowski, Treter, Najera – Pedlow (c), Elmkinssi. **Bench:** Hunter, Liu, Silverstein.

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## MAJOR DIVISION

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
CKS Warta	9	6	2	1	29	20	20
RWB Adria	8	6	1	1	20	8	19
HNNK Hrvat	9	6	1	2	25	15	19
SAC Wisla	9	4	2	3	20	12	14
FC Romania	9	4	2	3	25	25	14
Honduras SC	9	4	1	4	21	19	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	9	6	0	3	22	14	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
Stare Byki A	9	2	2	5	23	25	8
FK Kozarac	8	2	0	6	12	29	6
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	CKS Warta B	9	6	1	2	23	13	19
FK Podrinje	8	3	2	3	19	18	11	Real Independiente	9	6	0	3	29	25	18
GR-04	7	2	1	4	25	21	7	FC Kosova	9	4	0	5	22	25	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	9	2	2	5	24	24	8

## 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	Hellas SC	8	5	1	2	28	19	16
Gato Verde	9	2	4	3	25	17	10	SAC Wisla	7	4	3	0	28	13	15
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	9	0	2	7	6	31	2