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## Byki hat tricks crush Celtics

The Over 30 Team vaulted into third place following a crushing 9:0 demolition of the St Charles Celtics last Sunday. Hat tricks from Quavas Kirk and Greg Jehs led the scoring parade, while Richard Sodeinde contributed two goals and two assists. The Celtics were overmatched and the Byki trampled them right from the jump, leading 3:0 after just 20 minutes. The Celtics dressed the minimum 11 players and played the second half with 10, due to injury. Shortly after the Byki scored their final goal, with 14 minutes left, the Celtics chose to end their misery and retired from the field.

Levski Chicago have created significant distance from the rest of the pack, with a perfect 30 points from 10 matches. FC Oasu are second, with 22 points from nine matches. The next six teams are in a crowded bunch, separated by just five points. The Byki top that bunch, with 18 points from their 11 matches. Maintaining a hold on third place will not be easy, as the Byki have played more games than the teams chasing them.

The Byki wasted little time overrunning the Celtics. A high press deep in the Celtics end of the field proved fruitful in the second minute. Sodeinde won possession and flicked it to Kirk in the middle. His volley was a massive hit, giving the goalie no chance.

Five minutes later, Kirk controlled a throw-in with his chest, turned and floated the ball to Jehs, whose lob was out of the keeper's reach.

In the 15th minute, a sequence of quick passes sprang Robby McClure on a breakaway. The keeper came off his line fast and snared the ball before McClure could reach it.

A few minutes later, Jehs played McClure into space on the left flank. He tore into the box, but the keeper read the angle well and blocked McClure's attempt.

Ball movement unhinged the Celtics defense. Sodeinde, open at the top of the area, unselfishly laid off a pass for Jehs, who finished coolly past a beaten goalkeeper. The score swelled to 4:0 in the 32nd minute. Quavas Kirk carried the ball deep into the box and sent a diagonal pass back for McClure. He hammered a first-time shot that clipped the bottom of the crossbar.

The hungry Byki kept pushing for more goals, creating two great chances just before the break. In the 39th minute, McClure concluded a long run on the counter with a centering pass for newcomer Jose Garcia. The goalkeeper came up big on a point-blank opportunity. Two minutes later, Jehs fired from 15 yards and the keeper deflected the shot off the bar.

The Byki were intent on maintaining the clean sheet and kept the ball so long that netminder Ray Najera had little to do. His lunging save on a long shot early in the second half was his only real work of the day.

Two quick goals to start the second half extinguished any hopes for a Celtics comeback. In the 48th minute, Matt Klosterman found Jehs, who weaved through two defenders to slide into an open position in the penalty area. Jehs slotted past the onrushing goalkeeper to complete his hat trick.

Four minutes later, Quavas Kirk made it 6:0 when he intercepted a poor Celtics pass in their back third and deposited the ball into the back of the net.

The Byki ended a long spell of possession in the 57th minute when McClure found Kirk alone in the penalty area. He turned immediately and fired past the keeper for the second Byki hat trick of the contest.

Sodeinde gave notice in the 65th minute, as he cut in from the right wing and fired on target, only to be denied by the crossbar.

He put things right five minutes later, sprinting past the last defender on a breakaway. The goalkeeper came outside his box to challenge and Sodeinde glided past him to put the ball into the empty net.

Sodeinde bagged his second goal in the 76th minute. The

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NSL FIRST DIVISION PSLC OVER 30 B DIVISION Celtics inexplicably played a goal kick to a player in the channel and Sodeinde swooped in to intercept the pass. He skated past the flat-footed Celtics to make it 9:0.

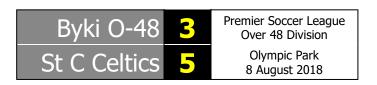
BYKI LINEUP (4-4-2): Najera – Soaga, Buur (c), Herholdt, Stevens – Sodeinde, Klosterman, C. Kirk, Garcia – Jehs, Q. Kirk. Bench: R. McClure.

#### BYKI SCORING SUMMARY

0:1 - Q. Kirk 3 (Sodeinde); 2nd.

- 0:2 Jehs 1 (Q. Kirk); 7th.
- 0:3 Jehs 2 (Sodeinde); 20th.
- 0:4 R. McClure 4 (Q. Kirk); 32nd.
- 0:5 Jehs 3 (Klosterman); 48th.
- 0:6 Q. Kirk 4; 52nd.
- 0:7 Q. Kirk 5 (R. McClure); 57th.
- 0:8 Sodeinde 6; 70th.
- 0:9 Sodeinde 7; 76th.

Byki Men of the Match: Greg Jehs and Quavas Kirk.



## Byki fall short in back-and-forth match

The Over 48 Team's early lead versus the St Charles Celtics on Wednesday didn't last long and the Byki were chasing the game in the second half. That wild 45 minutes produced five goals between the sides and the Celtics came away 5:3 winners. Steven Pedlow scored twice for the Byki, partially waking up what had been a moribund attack the last few weeks.

The first encounter between the Byki and the Celtics in St Charles had the same crazy unpredictability. The Celtics mounted a furious comeback in that one, scoring the winner at the death to prevail 5:4.

The Byki got on the scoreboard after just seven minutes. Juan Rodriguez won a loose ball following a Celtics turnover in their back third. With the goalkeeper out of position, Rodriguez took full advantage to notch his first goal of the campaign.

Five minutes later, John Park launched a long free kick from midfield, finding Pedlow 1 v 1 with the last Celtics defender. He beat him easily and manuevered to the top of the penalty area. The goalkeeper did well to block Pedlow's rocket shot.

The sloppiness continued for the Celtics. In the 18th minute, they coughed up possession as the Byki pressed high up the field. Pedlow stepped into a weak square pass and

fired immediately. The goalie managed to get a hand on the near-post attempt.

Moments later, the Celtics got back into the contest. A Celtics player outpaced Kris Zadlo on a long run down the left wing. Zadlo clipped the Celtics player as he dribbled into the Byki penalty area. The referee pointed to the spot and the visitors converted, knotting things at 1:1.

Ten minutes later, the Celtics grabbed the lead. Ray Najera made a great save at his near post, but his teammates failed to clear the ball on two occasions. In the end, a Celtics player toe-poked a shot from 18 yards to make it 2:1.

Mark Retterer beat his man in the 36th minute, but a good chance was left on the table when he shot wide of target.

Brian Huck was in the right spot during a Celtics corner kick late in the first half. A Celtics header seemed destined for the back of the net, but Huck did the job covering his post and heading the ball clear.

The Celtics scored a pair of goals two minutes apart in the middle of the second half to break the game open. In both cases, they ran at the Byki defense and found openings, leading to easy scores. "I decided to change our formation to a 4-4-2 to create more chances," said interim player-coach George Gorecki. "We scored twice in the second half, which was good. But removing a midfielder left us too stretched out when defending."

Shortly after the Celtics made it 4:1, the Byki responded in fine form. Dave Sisson split the Celtics wide open with a through pass at midfield. Pedlow sprinted into the space and carried the ball to the byline. From there, he somehow squeezed a shot home from a very acute angle.

With 12 minutes to go, the Celtics were inches away from a fifth goal, when a free kick from 25 yards struck the underside of the bar. Najera managed to swat the loose ball to safety. But the Celtics did find the mark just three minutes later from a similar position. The same player struck a free kick again, and this time the ball found a path between Najera's outstretched arm and the bar.

The Byki kept plugging away and pulled to within 5:3 in the 85th minute. It was Sisson who delivered the killer pass to send Pedlow on a breakaway. Pedlow finished with a deft touch to bring his goal total to four for the season.

#### Kris Zadlo contributed to this story.

**BYKI LINEUP (4-2-3-1)**: R. Najera – Javaras, Jacobs, J. Park, Zadlo – Carrillo, Huck – Pedlow (c), Sisson, Rodriguez – Retterer. **Bench**: Gorecki, V. Najera.

#### BYKI SCORING SUMMARY

- 1:0 Rodriguez 1; 7th.
- 2:4 Pedlow 3 (Sisson); 73rd. 3:5 – Pedlow 4 (Sisson); 85th.

Byki Man of the Match: Steven Pedlow.

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	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts	
Wisloka Chicago	6	5	1	0	26	11	16	
Vikings AA	8	4	3	1	32	15	15	
Gazelle SC	5	4	0	1	10	4	12	
SAC Wisla	5	3	1	1	10	4	10	
RWB Adria	4	3	1	0	11	3	10	
Stare Byki FC	7	3	1	3	18	21	10	
AAC Winged Bull	7	3	1	3	11	15	10	
CKS Warta	5	2	0	3	14	14	6	
FC Guadalajara	6	2	0	4	13	18	6	
Das Magic	6	0	0	6	7	26	0	
Dundalk FC	7	0	0	7	7	28	0	

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	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Olympiacos Chicago	10	8	2	0	45	13	26
FK Danubia	10	8	2	0	35	12	26
MANA United SC	10	7	0	3	27	14	21
Park Ridge Rogues	9	5	2	2	29	15	17
Deerfield	10	5	1	4	21	16	16
Atletico Torino FC	8	3	0	5	9	29	9
Real FC Blues	9	2	1	6	16	31	7
Stare Byki FC	8	1	3	4	11	21	6
International SC	16	0	1	15	2	44	1

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	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts	
Levski Chicago 2014	10	10	0	0	61	15	30	
FC Oasu	9	7	1	1	50	15	22	
Stare Byki FC	11	6	0	5	34	29	18	
Tricolorii FC	10	5	1	4	39	15	16	
Celtics	10	5	1	4	29	38	16	
AEK FC Chicago	6	5	0	1	35	8	15	
FC Igloopol	9	4	1	4	43	20	13	
International SC	7	4	1	2	37	21	13	
Chicago Rangers FC	9	2	1	6	26	40	7	
Shogun	8	2	0	6	19	39	6	
FC National	9	1	0	8	24	40	3	
Adventists United FC	10	0	0	10	3	120	0	

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	GP	w	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Jakes Stars Villains	11	10	1	0	47	6	31
Park Ridge Rogues	10	7	1	2	35	8	22
Sofia BG	9	5	3	1	34	9	18
HNK Concordia	7	6	0	1	25	3	18
St Charles Celtics	10	4	1	5	28	39	13
Stare Byki FC	12	2	2	8	18	45	8
Atletico Torino FC	14	1	3	10	13	41	6
St. Charles Celtics Silverbacks	11	1	1	9	12	61	4