



BOUNCINGS



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FC National	4	Premier Soccer League Over 30 White B Division
Byki O-30	1	Wheeloing HS 20 August 2017

Byki fail to cash in chances

The final score read 4:1 in favor of FC National versus the Byki Over 30 Team, but the Byki could have gotten quite a bit more out of this match had their finishing (along with their luck) been better. The Byki remain atop the B Division standings, but what had been a commanding lead has dwindled to five points. Shogun and Real FC have joined FC National as the pursuers for the title.

FC National opened the scoring after only 10 minutes, coming from a corner kick that the Byki failed to clear. That gaffe left an FC National player to tap in easily.

FC National doubled their lead shortly thereafter, converting a free kick opportunity.

The Byki had several close chances, but failed to cash in. An attempt from striker Richard Sodeinde ricocheted off of the inside of the goalpost. He later set up Martin Herholdt for a header that went narrowly over the crossbar.

The Byki managed to settle down after the early flurry and were still in the hunt to erase a two-goal deficit at the break.

The Byki maintained their attacking posture in the second half and believed that they had cut the FC National lead to 2:1 when Rob McClure tucked away a shot from close range that had been cleared by a defender. Sodeinde was actually in a great position to bury this chance from inside the box himself, but a defender kicked the ball off the line. It went directly to McClure, who made no mistake with his put-back. The mistake, however, came from the officials, who ruled that McClure had been offside. Byki players spent the rest of the game trying to figure out that dubious decision.

Another great chance went begging when Carlos Jaramillo blasted his attempt from two yards right into the goalkeeper.

FC National parlayed their good fortune into a pair of goals a few minutes apart in the middle of the second half to put the result beyond any doubt.

The Byki avoided the shutout when Mohammed Soaga scored their lone goal after a goalmouth scramble following a corner kick.

“The 4:1 result isn't a good indicator of how the game went,” said Kristian Buur, replaying in his mind all of the missed opportunities.

Kristian Buur and Richard Sodeinde contributed to this report.

BYKI LINEUP (4-2-3-1): Najera – Jędrzejowski, Gibbs, Anderson, King – Guzman, McClure – Jaramillo, Boeckeler, Herholdt – Rasmussen.
Bench: J. Park, Soaga, Sodeinde

BYKI SCORING SUMMARY
4:1 – Soaga 2; 80th.

Byki Men of the Match: Paul King and Ray Najera.

Byki O-48	1	Premier Soccer League Over 48 Division
Villains	5	Olympic Park 23 August 2017

Villains counters crush Byki

The Over 48 Team suffered yet another stumble in a season replete with potholes when they fell 5:1 to Villains SC last Wednesday at Olympic Park. The Byki responded poorly to Villains counterattacks and the game was out of hand before the Byki made successful tactical changes early in the second half. The Byki continue to limp along at the foot of the table.

Many opponents have taken advantage of counterattacking opportunities and the Byki have recently blunted those situations by adding more speed to their backline. Jim Kuch and Steven Pedlow have stepped into the sweeper position over the last few games and it's kept the Byki competitive.

Byki Footgolf Outing
SATURDAY, SEPT 23
Meadowlark Golf Club
Hinsdale, IL
\$30 per person: 18 holes of golf,
drink ticket
Buy tickets online
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Against the Villains, the Byki roster was lacking in offensive players, so Pedlow started at striker. It wasn't until coach Rick Bolesta moved him back to sweeper that the Byki could play on even terms with the Villains.

Pedlow was active early, pressuring a Villains defender in the back third. He swooped in alone on the Villains goal and shot just over the crossbar.

The Villains took the lead after 13 minutes. After the Byki coughed up possession in the midfield, a Villains midfielder slalomed his way past three Byki defenders and hit a slow roller that found the back post.

The score went to 2:0 eleven minutes later. A long throw-in from deep on the right wing floated into the middle of the Byki penalty area. Two Byki defenders failed to clear and the Villains pounced on the opportunity. A slick pass was dropped back into the middle of the box and a Villains player buried it.

In the 32nd minute Dominic Demarets dribbled deep into the Villains penalty area and cut inside to create a shot. The keeper was out, but blushes were saved when a defender cleared the ball from inside the goal area.

The Villains went into total control seven minutes before the break when a Villains midfielder weaved his way through the middle of the Byki defense and drove a long shot into the upper corner to make it 3:0.

The Villains put the result to bed with a pair of goals three minutes apart early in the second half. On both occasions, the Byki were pushed up too high and the Villains exploited the open space to initiate breakaways.

The Byki reversed the momentum by moving Pedlow back and improved their ball possession. Newcomer Juan Rodriguez made an incisive pass in the 57th minute to find Charlie Cohen making a run on the left flank. Cohen sprinted to goal and narrowly missed the post with a hard shot.

John Park spoiled the shutout for the Villains with a brilliantly taken free kick in the 80th minute. He lined up a free kick from 30 yards and squeezed a shot just under the bar and out of the keeper's reach.

Six minutes later, Cohen returned the favor to Rodriguez

when he threaded the needle on an inch-perfect pass to send Rodriguez into the clear. His looping shot could not find the far post.

BYKI LINEUP (4-4-2): Pac – Fink, King, J. Park, Safford – Tower (c), J. Rodriguez, Zadlo, Cohen – Pedlow, Demarets. **Bench:** Abidor, Dahlquist, Gorecki, Kerbis, Muehlbauer.

BYKI SCORING SUMMARY

1:5 – Park 1; 80th.

Byki Man of the Match: None given.

Stare Byki	3	National Soccer League 1st Division
United Stars	0	FORFEIT 20 August 2017

Title within reach for Byki

The Byki notched their tenth victory of the season last Sunday and didn't even have to muddy their boots. Only four players from United Stars FC managed to turn up at Oak Brook for the match and the Byki cashed in three more valuable points with a forfeit win.

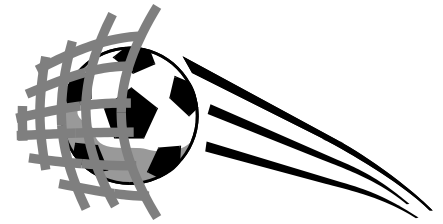
Title dreams now appear to be crystallizing for the Byki, whose magic number for clinching first place has shrunk to just four points. Any combination of points earned by the Byki and points dropped by second-place Das Magic totalling four clinches the championship.

"It's annoying to have our squad assembled and ready to play, only to have the opponent fail to show up," lamented coach George Gorecki. "Although it would have been nice had the Stars called us or the NSL to say that they didn't want to play, the reality is that we have to be ready to go and do our part, and then hope the Stars do theirs."

"Achieving promotion this early is a great accomplishment," Gorecki continued. "But there are more trophies to play for, so we have to maintain our high standard through the rest of the season and the playoffs."



BYKI bits & pieces



The Byki organized an outing to Toyota Park last Saturday to watch the Fire clash with MLS top dogs Toronto FC. A group of 40 players and assorted folks made up the Byki contingent, who were a part of the largest regular-season crowd ever assembled in the Bridgeview stadium.

It was a great opportunity for guys to hang out together and their enjoyment was not diminished, even though the Fire were on the wrong side of a 3:1 score.

"A wonderful evening for the club, despite the outcome of the match. It was great to see Byki players with their significant others and kids enjoying their friendship and love of football," said original Byk **Mark Sokolowski**. "It was cool that I saw players from the different Byki teams, including an original or two. Thank you to **Alan [Stevens]** for the beer! Hopefully, **George [Gorecki]** can arrange for such group tickets when the Fire play at the World Cup."

One person in this crew who relished the final score was **Mo Elshafie**, who is from Toronto. "Great game and amazing score!! Not sure why there were many angry looks and people throwing food my way, I already had dinner, thank you," quipped Mo. "We should make it a regular event for the

team. Maybe again for a playoff game on the way to the World Cup!!"

Alan Stevens was all about the fun on Saturday: "I had [such] a great time socializing with teammates about our great promotion season, that I missed seeing three of the four goals in the game!"



Andy Sokolowski resists the kidnapping attempt by Fire mascot Sparky.

BYKI FOOTGOLF 2017



WHAT:

Byki FootGolf Event

WHERE:

Meadowlark Golf Course

11599 W. 31st Street, Hinsdale, IL

WHEN:

September 23rd, 2017 at 10am

PRICE:

\$30 per player

Includes 18 holes of FootGolf and a drink ticket to be used at the Meadowlark

Join us for fun and games as the Byki master the new sport - FootGolf!

Have fun with your teammates, have a drink at the clubhouse and then follow us for the after-party to Twin Peaks in Oakbrook for some more fun, food and beer!

Everyone is welcome - wives, girlfriends, friends and co-workers.

For MORE DETAILS AND TO PURCHASE A TICKET GO TO:

<http://www.starebykifc.org/footgolf.html>

NSL FIRST DIVISION**August 20, 2017****www.nslchicago.org**

Red Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Stare Byki FC	12	10	0	2	34	12	30
Das Magic	11	7	0	4	35	24	21
FC Macedonia	11	5	0	6	20	24	15
FC Guadalajara	11	4	1	6	20	25	13
United Stars FC	12	4	0	8	23	31	12
Chicago Dynasty FC	11	3	1	7	17	33	10

PSLC OVER 30 WHITE DIVISION**August 20, 2017****www.pslchicagoland.com**

A DIVISION	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Tricolorii FC	11	9	1	1	66	22	28
AEK FC Chicago	12	9	0	3	50	22	27
FC DePaul	11	8	1	2	37	13	25
Levski Chicago 2014	10	8	0	2	65	14	24
FC Oasu	10	7	1	2	47	11	22
Celtics	11	4	1	6	26	47	13

PSLC OVER 40 B DIVISION**August 20, 2017****www.pslchicagoland.com**

B1 DIVISION	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Gato Verde	10	8	0	2	45	20	24
Stare Byki FC	12	7	1	4	34	26	22
International SC	10	5	3	2	24	19	18
Olympiacos Chicago	11	5	2	4	19	20	17
Windy City United	12	4	1	7	28	39	13
Naperville Strikers FC	11	3	2	6	20	28	11
Pampas OT	9	1	2	6	11	30	5

B2 DIVISION	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
United-Dynamo	10	9	1	0	55	13	28
FK Danubia	13	8	1	4	59	27	25
Itasca	10	6	0	4	25	21	18
St Charles Celtics Green	11	4	3	4	21	30	15
Real FC	11	4	1	6	27	37	13
MOFG	12	2	1	9	13	39	7
St Charles Celtics Orange	10	1	0	9	21	53	3

B DIVISION	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Stare Byki FC	12	5	1	6	29	33	16
FC National	12	3	2	7	36	36	11
Shogun	11	3	2	6	24	40	11
Real FC	11	3	2	6	19	44	11
Chicago Rangers FC	11	2	1	8	31	38	7
Adventists United FC	12	0	0	12	2	112	0

PSLC OVER 48 DIVISION**August 23, 2017****www.pslchicagoland.com**

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Park Ridge Rogues	10	9	0	1	32	9	27
Sofia BG	8	6	0	2	29	12	18
Torino FC	8	4	2	2	18	15	14
Villains SC	8	4	0	4	22	15	12
St Charles Celtics	6	3	1	2	22	17	10
International SC	7	3	1	3	15	17	10
Concordia	9	1	3	5	10	22	6
Stare Byki FC	12	0	1	11	13	54	1