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NSL

Winged Bull **2 : 4** Byki Blue

09-16-12

Byki take Bull by the horns

The Blue Team snapped their six-game losing streak last Sunday with a comprehensive 4:2 dismantling of Winged Bull at Techny Prairie Park. Seven different players contributed to the scoresheet and a physical defensive effort kept the home side at bay for most of the game. The Byki rebounded nicely from their 5:1 defeat to Winged Bull in July with a performance which demonstrated that this group can play smart soccer when they bring their soccer brains to the field.

The defensive trio of Jordan Jacobs, Ohad Garnon and Jordan Stopka set the tone early, going into tackles with gusto and breaking up any attacking rhythm from Winged Bull. Some of Winged Bull's more fragile players complained about the harsh treatment they had received, but their whines were generally ignored by a referee who just wanted to get on with the game.

The Byki nearly converted a comical mistake by the Winged Bull goalie in the fifth minute into the first score of the match. Abe Jimenez chased after Ray Najera's long kick. The defense allowed the ball to bounce and the keeper botched his clearance. Jimenez only needed to direct the ball into the empty net, but a defender miraculously slid in to knock the ball to safety.

A flurry of chances at both ends just before the break looked promising, yet no goals resulted. Najera made a huge save in the 39th minute during a goalmouth scramble from a player who looked to be in an offside position. In the final minute of the first half, the Byki cleared a Winged Bull corner kick and Sam Onaissi sent a long pass to Patrick Bollinger, who had no defenders anywhere near him. Bollinger, who was likely offside on the play, could not turn the breakaway into a goal when he scuffed his shot right at the goalkeeper.

The Byki knew that they were the better side, and they had to do a better job of ball possession. The players put their minds to making the second half a complete team effort and the results were enlightening.

The reliable Najera made a terrific save early in the second frame and then sat back to watch the Byki attack get to work. In the 55th minute, Jimenez slid in to win a 50-50 ball, sending it to Alen Mehagic, unmarked on the right side of the area. Mehagic calmly picked his spot and found the far post for a 1:0 lead.

Five minutes later, Onaissi sent a long pass along the right flank to Koenig, who had acres of space in front of him. With only the keeper to beat, Koenig slotted the ball home and the Byki were cooking.

The score went to 3:0 in the 66th minute. Serg Gonchar pressured a Winged Bull player in his back third and sent the ball to Bollinger, who dribbled into space and cut loose from 25 yards. The shot hit a Winged Bull player and floated into the net past the flat-footed goalkeeper.

Things began to really fall apart at the seams for Winged Bull just moments later. Stopka dribbled towards the goal and was clipped by a defender, whose name was already in the referee's book. The referee gave the player his marching orders, prompting further arguments and finger-pointing by Winged Bull players.

Rather than fold their tents, however, Winged Bull would not admit defeat and scored twice in three minutes to bring them back into the match. A free kick lofted into the mixer from the right-side channel resulted in a goalmouth scramble. A Winged Bull player poked the ball into the net, despite protests from the Byki that several players were in an offside position.

The Byki nearly got that one back a minute later. Mehagic fed Bollinger, whose hard shot was spilled by the keeper. Gonchar swooped in for the rebound, but the defense intervened.

Winged Bull pulled to within 3:2 in the 74th minute, thanks to slack marking by the Byki. A player at the top of the box dropped the ball back for a teammate at the arc. The shot curled in just under the crossbar.

Despite those missteps, the Byki maintained their composure during the endgame. In the 84th minute, the Byki executed some slick passing moves inside the Winged Bull penalty area. Enrique Barcenas and Koenig swung the ball to Jimenez, whose shot from ten yards was blocked.

The Byki put the result beyond doubt in the final minute, when Stopka and Koenig combined to force a turnover at midfield. Stopka did the rest, with a slalom run through the Winged Bull half of the field. He eventually was confronted by the goalkeeper, who was no match for the Byki center back.

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The Byki still have some work to do to climb into the Blue Section's top six. With four games left, a repeat of this type of performance will be necessary every week.

PSLC
Byki 0-30 **0 : 4** Romania SC
09-15-12

Champs blank Byki

When two teams at opposite ends of the table square off, the outcome might not be a pretty one. The Over 30s took another one on the chin last Saturday when Romania SC dominated the second half of their encounter at Woodland Meadow 4:0. The victory allowed Romania to maintain their 100% record after 14 matches.

The 4:0 scoreline hardly made the Byki look proud, but it was an improvement of sorts over the 11:0 whacking that Romania gave the Byki in Week 1 of the season, prompting some players to question whether the Byki could compete. The rematch was an even game for the first hour and the Romanians asserted their dominance to secure the points.

The Byki defense held together reasonably well for much of the first half and the result was a plethora of long, aimless passes by Romania. They easily carved up huge gaps in the Byki defense in that first match with quick passes to open up the space. The Byki, with better discipline and preparation, did well in blunting the Romania attack.

Romania, however, held a significant advantage in ball possession and the Byki struggled to find an attacking rhythm of their own. Long, speculative passes rarely found their targets and the Byki were constantly turning back and covering on defense.

The only goal of the first half was the result of the Byki being inattentive on a seemingly innocuous free kick at midfield. A Romanian player sent a simple ball right up the middle of the Byki defense. The pass found an unmarked teammate, who had no problem slipping the ball under goalkeeper Lazaro Uriza.

The Romanians pushed the tempo in the second half. The Byki were without substitutes and the Romanians eventually wore them down. In the 62nd minute, the Romanians counterattacked along the right side. Uriza came out to challenge a player dribbling along the goal line and could not defend the pass back into the middle. The Romanian striker easily converted to make it 2:0.

Uriza bravely tipped a free kick from 30 yards over the bar in the 65th minute, but could not reach a shot from a sharp angle seven minutes later. The Romanians put a wrap on things two minutes from the end when they transformed a Byki turnover at midfield into a well-taken goal, punctuated by an impressive first-time shot.

PSLC
Torino FC **7 : 2** Byki 0-40
09-16-12

Speedy Torino thump Byki

An early 2:0 lead for the Over 40s over league leaders Torino FC last Sunday turned out to be a mirage, as Torino scored five unanswered goals by halftime and cruised to an easy 7:2 victory. With just two matches remaining in the season, Torino have one hand on the championship trophy and the Byki are left to scramble for the second promotion spot. The top two teams in the Blue Division will move up to the Green Division in 2013.

Torino have 36 points from their 16 matches and play two of the league's bottom-feeders to close out their campaign. MOFG moved into second place on Sunday, with 32 points, one better than the Byki. Real FC are in fourth, with 30 points, while Pampas sit on 29 points, but have a game in hand on the rest of the field. The Byki and Pampas will knock heads this Sunday, and the result of that match will likely clarify the table significantly.

The Byki shocked Torino with a pair of goals from Brian Huck in the game's first ten minutes. In the sixth minute, Mitch Posada concluded a long dribbling run down the left wing by turning his defender inside out as he cut into the box. The keeper came out to challenge and Posada clanged his shot off of the post. The resourceful Huck was alone on the doorstep to put the ball home.

In the tenth minute, Huck curled a free kick from the right of the arc over the Torino defensive wall. The goalie slid in to block the shot, but the ball hit him in the belly and both he and the ball tumbled into the netting for a 2:0 lead.

A three-goal spurt by Torino in the middle of the first half turned the game upside down. They constantly pumped balls into space behind the Byki defense and simply sprinted past the backline to create breakaway situations. Goalkeeper James Vlahakis did his best to stop the onslaught, but the lack of marking was shocking. Torino took command of the match when they added two more to their total in the final six minutes of the half.

The Byki needed to defend more aggressively in midfield to have any chance of slowing the lightning-quick counter-attacks. Although their play improved somewhat in the second half, the Byki showed no real signs of getting back in the game.

BYKI SCOREBOARD

BLUE

Winged Bull 2 : 4 Byki

NSL 1st Division - Techny Prairie Park - 16 September 2012

BYKI LINEUP (3-5-2): Najera – Jordan Jacobs, Garnon, Stopka – Barcenas, Koenig (c), Szczypka, Gonchar, Bollinger – Jimenez, Lopez.
Bench: Kosinski, Mehagic, Onaissi.

BYKI SCORING SUMMARY

0:1 – Mehagic 2 (Jimenez); 55th.
 0:2 – Koenig 1 (Onaissi); 60th.
 0:3 – Bollinger 1 (Gonchar); 66th.
 2:4 – Stopka 4; 90th.

Byki Men of the Match: Ohad Garnon, Jordan Jacobs and Jordan Stopka.

OVER 40

Torino FC 7 : 2 Byki

PSLC Over 40 Blue Division - Woodland Meadow - 16 September 2012

BYKI LINEUP (4-4-2): Uriza – Jedrzejowski, Hodge, Garnon, Pirillis – Stamatinos, Inalsingh, Kamalinia, Maruska – Kekus (c), Ciszewski.

BYKI SCORING SUMMARY

None.

Byki Man of the Match: Lazaro Uriza

OVER 30

Byki 0 : 4 Romania SC

PSLC Over 30 Division - Woodland Meadow - 15 September 2012

BYKI LINEUP (4-4-2): Vlahakis – Fink, Safford, Mazmanian, Cohen – Weslar, Rodriguez, Pedlow (c), Elmkinssi – Huck, Posada. **Bench:** Gorecki, Jim Jacobs, Muehlbauer.

BYKI SCORING SUMMARY

0:1 – Huck 9 (Posada); 6th.
 0:2 – Huck 10; 10th.

Byki Man of the Match: Brian Huck

Byki Stats

RED TEAM, NSL MAJOR DIVISION

Player	G	A	Pts
Ciszewski	4	3	7
Stopka	5	2	7
Trowbridge	2	3	5
Geraghty	3	1	4
Mehreioskouei	2	1	3
Sampson	1	1	2
Cardenas	1	0	1
Guzman	1	1	2
Gyuricza	1	0	1
Herholdt	1	0	1
LaConte	1	0	1
Soegaard	0	1	1
Uriza	0	1	1
Young	0	1	1
Bollinger	2	0	2
Dziekiewicz	0	1	1
Team goals	1	x	x
Goalie	Min	GA	GAA
Bertels	900	50	5.00
Najera	180	11	5.50

Current record: 1-1-11

BLUE TEAM, NSL 1st DIVISION

Player	G	A	Pts
LaConte	2	3	5
Stopka	4	0	4
Gonchar	2	1	3
Barcenas	1	2	3
Onaissi	1	2	3
Mehagic	2	0	2
Buur	1	1	2
Garnon	1	1	2
Koenig	1	1	2
Bollinger	1	0	1
Najera	1	0	1
Slate	1	0	1
Jimenez	0	1	1
Wood	0	1	1
Team goals	1	x	x
Goalie	Min	GA	GAA
Garnon	7	0	0.00
Stopka	83	1	1.08
Najera	270	5	1.67
Khankari	810	40	4.44

Current record: 4-0-10

O-30 TEAM, PSLC O-30 DIVISION

Player	G	A	Pts
Maruska	1	3	4
Guzman	2	0	2
Inalsingh	1	1	2
Kekus	1	1	2
Stamatinos	0	2	2
Buur	1	0	1
Fleming	1	0	1
Gibbs	1	0	1
Hodge	1	0	1
Kadzielawa	1	0	1
Penafiel	1	0	1
Uriza	1	0	1
Dziekiewicz	0	1	1
Goalie	Min	GA	GAA
Vlahakis	90	4	4.00
Uriza	180	9	4.50
Najera	720	37	4.63

Current record: 0-2-11

O-40 TEAM, PSLC O-40 DIVISION

Player	G	A	Pts
Pedlow	9	5	14
Rodriguez	5	9	14
Huck	10	2	12
Posada	6	4	10
Weslar	2	6	8
Cohen	3	2	5
Ekundayo	3	2	5
Elmkinssi	3	2	5
Zygmunt	2	2	4
Fink	1	3	4
Dahlquist	1	0	1
Jacobs	1	0	1
Zadlo	1	0	1
Mazmanian	0	1	1
Tower	0	1	1
Team goals	5	x	x
Goalie	Min	GA	GAA
Rodriguez	45	0	0.00
Zadlo	3	0	0.00
Muehlbauer	135	2	1.33
Vlahakis	1257	34	2.43

Current record: 10-1-5

NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE STANDINGS

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MAJOR DIVISION

Red Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Gazelle SC	11	9	0	2	35	15	27
RWB Adria	9	6	1	2	27	13	19
Jahbat FC	13	6	1	6	26	26	19
Albanian Stars	9	6	0	3	26	13	18
Brusfa FC	10	3	2	5	22	25	11
CKS Warta	11	3	1	7	19	41	10

Blue Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Hellenic United Blue	10	8	1	1	37	8	25
Deportivo Colomex	10	6	0	4	31	14	18
Hellenic United White	11	5	1	5	26	35	16
SAC Wisla	12	5	0	7	24	33	15
FC Steaua	13	3	2	8	24	38	11
Stare Byki FC Red	13	1	1	11	25	61	4

FIRST DIVISION

Red Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Jamstar FC	13	10	2	1	45	20	32
Bosphorus FC	13	9	2	2	42	22	29
West Indies Jets SC	12	6	3	3	31	21	21
Das Magic	11	6	2	3	33	21	20
FC Moldova	13	5	2	6	30	38	17
Khaboor FC	10	4	2	4	18	19	14
Independiente FC	11	2	2	7	14	32	8
Shlama FC	11	2	1	8	19	33	7
NK Prijedor	12	0	2	10	19	45	2

Blue Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Assyrian FC	14	10	1	3	48	21	31
FC Kosova	13	8	2	3	38	23	26
Lancer FC	13	7	1	5	26	25	22
Raiders FC	12	7	1	4	30	21	22
Gremio FC	12	6	2	4	26	21	20
FK Republika Srpska	10	5	1	4	32	28	16
Stare Byki FC Blue	14	4	0	10	19	49	12
Chicago Dynasty FC	14	3	3	8	26	41	12
Lamaso FC	10	2	3	5	21	24	9
Winged Bull	12	2	2	8	16	29	8

PREMIER SOCCER LEAGUE of CHICAGOLAND

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OVER 30 RED DIVISION

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Pampas	15	13	0	2	71	23	39
Romania SC	13	13	0	0	62	15	39
Bulgaria FC	13	11	0	2	61	27	33
FC Tarnovia	12	8	0	4	26	20	24
Jahbat FC	15	7	2	6	37	38	23
Balkan	12	6	2	4	32	24	20
Hellenic United AC	11	6	0	5	29	23	18
St Charles Celtics Red	13	5	1	7	36	39	16
SAC Wisla	14	3	1	10	34	56	10
La Granate	13	3	1	9	30	57	10
Chicago Celtic	13	3	0	10	20	46	9
Black Eagle	14	1	3	10	34	65	6
Stare Byki FC	12	0	2	10	14	53	2

OVER 40 BLUE DIVISION

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Torino FC	16	11	3	2	55	22	36
MOFG	16	10	2	4	34	26	32
Stare Byki FC	16	10	1	5	52	36	31
Real FC	16	9	3	4	51	31	30
Pampas OT	15	9	2	4	47	24	29
Villains SC	16	9	1	6	37	35	28
Naperville Strikers FC	16	6	1	9	48	39	19
Windy City United	15	4	1	10	38	39	13
St Charles Celtics Green	16	4	0	12	37	54	12
St Charles Celtics Orange	16	0	0	16	4	97	0