



BOUNCINGS



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23 Sept 18

Rangers	1	Premier Soccer League Over 30 White B Division
Byki 0-30	2	Burden Field 16 September 2018

Byki last men standing

The Over 30 Team played with a level of purpose and resolve last Sunday that should make them into believers heading into the post-season. Although they dominated possession versus Chicago Rangers FC, the match stood at 1:1 late in the contest. Byki finishing had been less than ideal, but one moment of opportunism from fullback Cyril Zachariah tipped the scales in favor of the Byki. What first appeared to be a pass to an offside teammate in the Rangers penalty area morphed into a scoring opportunity for Zachariah, who slotted home his first goal of the season en route to a 2:1 victory.

The result allowed the Byki to climb into fourth place in the table. Although only four points separate second through sixth place, the Byki have played the fewest matches of any of the contending teams, so maintaining their position may ultimately be out of their hands.

The Byki had the Rangers back on their heels right from the jump. They carved out large swaths of space on the right wing for the marauding Carlos Jaramillo, leading to plenty of activity in front of the Rangers goal.

The opener came on 14 minutes, when Zachariah fired a long throw-in from deep on the left flank towards the near post. Matt Klosterman was first to the ball and he slid it past the sprawled goalkeeper.

Eight minutes later, Klosterman found Jaramillo with a long pass into the right wing corner. Jaramillo's tantalizing cross found Zachariah with an open header. The ball fell inside the six-yard box, leading to a frantic sequence that concluded with Klosterman shooting wide.

The Rangers lucked their way into an equalizer in the 28th minute. Mike Stamatinos showed too much of his studs on a 50/50 challenge in the Byki penalty area and the referee emphatically whistled for a foul. A Rangers player converted the spot kick, and the Rangers leveled the affair with their first shot on frame.

The Byki were a bit unnerved after the penalty decision, but goalie Pete Chronowski's diving save on a shot from 15 yards maintained the 1:1 scoreline into the break.

The Byki controlled the tempo in the second half, but their attacks never looked very meaty in the final third.

Everything changed with 16 minutes left in the contest. Zachariah won possession outside the Rangers box and sent the ball between two Rangers defenders into the penalty area. Two Byki players were in a clear offside position as the ball came in, but neither touched it. Zachariah followed the ball into the box and found the back of the net for a 2:1 lead.

The Rangers were furious, mostly because the assistant raised his flag when Zachariah played the ball into the box. Expecting the offside call, the Rangers hesitated and Zachariah did not. The referee, astutely reading the play accurately, signaled for a goal and that was that.

The game became stretched in the final moments. In the 77th minute, Jaramillo played an outstanding through ball to send Christian Ruiz in alone behind the Rangers defense. The goalkeeper came out to challenge Ruiz and easily repelled his attempt. Mohammed Soaga and Szymon Jaworski narrowly missed the target in the final five minutes.

BYKI LINEUP (4-4-2): Chronowski – Zachariah, Stamatinos, Stevens, Soaga – C. Kirk, Jaramillo, Jaworski, Klosterman – Chudyba, Sodeinde. Bench: R. McClure, Nugent, C. Ruiz..

BYKI SCORING SUMMARY
0:1 – Klosterman 5 (Zachariah); 16th.
1:2 – Zachariah 1; 74th.

Byki Man of the Match: Matt Klosterman.

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South Barrington, IL

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NSL FIRST DIVISION PSLC OVER 30 B DIVISION

CHAMPIONS

Sofia BG	9	Premier Soccer League Over 48 Division
Byki O-48	1	Olympic Park 18 September 2018

Season ends with a dull ache

The Over 48 Team concluded the 2018 campaign with a whimper, getting trounced 9:1 by Sofia BG in a quarterfinal playoff game last Tuesday at Olympic Park. The Byki gave away possession frivolously and in the most inopportune positions and Sofia players took full advantage, ruthlessly piling up the goals. The Byki finished the season with a record of 2-2-10.

The Byki had a plan to neutralize Sofia's big scorer by having Steven Pedlow act as his personal marker. The Sofia player is the ultimate opportunist and his superior speed transforms plays that look innocuous into goalscoring situations. Although Pedlow did a creditable job in this role, the ridiculous number of turnovers made it easy for other Sofia players to pick up the scoring slack.

Sofia needed less than two minutes to break into the lead after a giveaway in the back. Emergency goalie Eric Muehlbauer had no chance to stop the breakaway chance. Muehlbauer was grateful to be relieved by James Vlahakis after his eight-minute stint, but the Byki were no kinder to Vlahakis.

In the sixth minute, the hard-working John Kosmas pressed a Sofia player into a turnover deep in the right corner and crossed in for Dave Sisson, who shot wide of the target.

Six minutes later, the Byki were gifted an unlikely equalizer. As Sisson chased after a long pass in Sofia's end of the field, the defender arrived first, but played the ball back into an empty net. The goalkeeper was completely out of position in a moment of high comedy.

Sofia, however, proved that they were not joking around, regaining the lead just two minutes later. The Byki were slow to react to a counterattack and a Sofia player buried a shot from the top of the box.

In the 22nd minute, Kosmas stole the ball from a Sofia defender and dinked a pass into space for Cesar Ochoa. The defense were clearly beaten, but the goalie came out fast and smothered the ball.

Sofia converted three Byki turnovers into goals in the final 20 minutes of the half, leaving the Byki to stare at a daunting 5:1 deficit at the break.

The Byki were hardly better at keeping the ball in the second half than they were in the first. It kept Vlahakis busy, but in a bad way. He made a memorable save just before the hour, going full stretch on a blast from 20 yards. He did well to read the shooter on a Sofia penalty kick in the 73rd minute, getting two hands to the ball, but the shot had too much power.

Sofia padded their stats with four more tallies, as the game quickly lost its competitive edge.

BYKI LINEUP (4-2-3-1): Muehlbauer – Safford, Javaras, J. Park, Pedlow (c) – Tower, Huck – Dahlquist, Jacobs, Kosmas – Sisson. **Bench:** Carrillo, Gorecki, King, Ochoa, Towsey, Vlahakis.

BYKI SCORING SUMMARY

1:1 –Sofia own goal; 14th.

Byki Man of the Match: John Kosmas.

Weekly Training

TUESDAYS

Olympic Park, Field 8

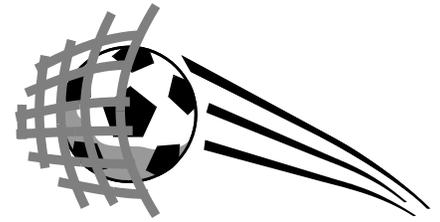
Schaumburg, IL

8.00 - 10.00 PM

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BYKI bits & pieces



Are you a part of the fine dining

scene? Well, **Eric Tower** has just the place for you: Juno Sushi in Chicago, owned by Over 40 player **BK Park**. Here is a report about his great experience.

As far as I'm aware, the Byki have had players from all walks of life - architects, CFOs, failed actors, chemists, financial advisers, lawyers, programmers - but we've never had a top chef. And almost certainly not a top sushi chef in Chicago. Last Friday, Jessica and I had the pleasure of trying out Juno Sushi, BK Park's establishment, that for a variety of reasons, is now considered "the" hot sushi restaurant in Chicago. It's located towards the west side of Lincoln Park (2638 N. Lincoln Ave), in an unassuming part of the neighborhood.

Things started off well - we arrived early and got a couple drinks - beer for me, of course, and wine for my wife. Juno has an interesting selection of Japanese beers, including a couple I'd never had, so I tried an Aooni IPA. It was quite good, and honestly, the first Japanese IPA I'd had. Meanwhile, my wife had the Knuttel Chardonnay - wine - women. Whatever. Overall, the bar had a very good selection of drinks, including a variety of interesting cocktails, but we avoided these so we'd enjoy the dinner.

While we were enjoying our drinks, in walked BK. I was expecting him to wave and head into the restaurant, but he made a point of sitting next to us and introducing himself to my wife. This, despite the fact that people were now starting to enter the premises and head to the dining area. After a few minutes, BK headed to the back, and Jess and I got seated.

The rest of the meal was, well, a blur. I told our waitress that we would eat whatever BK recommended - we were seated within shouting distance from his work area. So rather than getting

a few rolls, or those pseudo-Japanese mayo dripping cooked rolls that we often see - we were treated to a seemingly endless stream of unique, artistic sushi dishes. At times, we got one piece each. Other times, we'd each get three different pieces - but each one was absolutely artistic in appearance. And the taste - each piece was like a collage of different flavors. We agreed that the sushi was the best we'd ever had.

As our dinner wound down, BK appeared again - we were lucky that Friday was a slow night, since Saturday and Sunday were supposed to be crazy-busy. BK took a seat and ordered a few drinks, and we chatted about his restaurant and how he got started. It was truly enjoyable to hear about his experiences and what he's trying to accomplish. I won't ruin it for anyone who follows...

My wife and I have eaten at a number of different sushi restaurants in Chicago, including Motomaro, Arami, and Toro, but Juno easily beats them all. Sushi might not be for everyone, but if you give this place a try, I can almost guarantee you'll like it. For anyone who likes good food, this place is well worth a visit. We will return!

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FINAL STANDINGS
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	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
RWB Adria	9	7	1	1	27	12	22
Gazelle SC	8	6	1	1	21	7	19
Vikings AA	9	5	3	1	45	15	18
SAC Wisla	9	5	2	2	20	11	17
Wisloka Chicago	10	5	2	3	32	26	17
CKS Warta	9	5	0	4	30	19	15
FC Guadalajara	9	4	1	4	23	22	13
AAC Winged Bull	10	4	1	5	18	23	13
Stare Byki FC	10	3	1	6	21	34	10
Das Magic	9	0	0	9	10	44	0
Dundalk FC	8	0	0	8	7	41	0

**PSLC OVER 30 WHITE DIVISION
16 September 2018
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	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Levski Chicago 2014	13	12	0	1	85	21	36
FC Oasu	13	9	1	3	68	22	28
Tricolorii FC	14	8	2	4	51	17	26
Stare Byki FC	15	8	1	6	50	34	25
AEK FC Chicago	10	8	0	2	47	12	24
International SC	12	7	1	4	51	33	22
Celtics	14	6	1	7	38	51	19
FC Igloopol	13	5	3	5	50	26	18
Chicago Rangers FC	14	4	1	9	33	54	13
Shogun	13	4	0	9	30	52	12
FC National	13	3	0	10	32	53	9
Adventists United FC	14	0	0	14	4	164	0

**PSLC OVER 40 B DIVISION
16 September 2018
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	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Olympiacos Chicago	14	11	2	1	53	15	35
FK Danubia	14	10	3	1	44	15	33
MANA United SC	13	9	0	4	35	17	27
Park Ridge Rogues	13	7	3	3	33	17	24
Deerfield	14	7	1	6	39	20	22
Stare Byki FC	12	4	3	5	20	28	15
Atletico Torino FC	11	3	0	8	9	44	9
Real FC Blues	13	2	1	10	16	51	7
International SC	16	0	1	15	2	44	1

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	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Jakes Stars Villains	13	12	1	0	51	6	37
Park Ridge Rogues	13	9	1	3	48	9	28
HNK Concordia	9	7	1	1	36	5	22
Sofia BG	11	5	4	2	38	16	19
St Charles Celtics	13	5	2	6	32	44	17
Stare Byki FC	13	2	2	9	19	55	8
Atletico Torino FC	14	1	3	10	13	41	6
St. Charles Celtics Silverbacks	14	1	2	11	17	78	5