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**2014 PSLC
Over 40
CHAMPIONS**

Byki O-30	2	Premier Soccer League Over 30 White Division
FC DePaul	5	Oak Brook Sports Core 4 October 2015

Mid-table finish for Byki

The Over 30 Team ended the PSLC regular season last Sunday chasing after an FC DePaul side that had championship aspirations at the start of the day. DePaul fell just short of their goal, despite their 5:2 win over the Byki. DePaul and Levski Chicago finished level on 38 points, but the Bulgarians claimed the title on the basis of a superior goal difference. The Byki finished the season with 25 points from their 16 matches, good for fifth place in the ten-team league.

The Byki showed plenty of grit and heart against DePaul, who played at a pace not often seen at the Over 30 level. The teams were level on the scoreboard at halftime, but DePaul clearly had the upper hand for long stretches. The match evened out somewhat in the second half, but the Byki faltered in a crucial ten-minute span midway through, and DePaul pounded home three goals to put the result to bed.

DePaul needed just two minutes to grab the lead. They played a short corner on the left side and crossed into the middle. Two Byki failed to get a foot in to clear the ball away and it found the unoccupied far post for a gift goal.

It was one-way traffic on the Byki side of the field for the next 20 minutes, as the home side struggled to maintain possession once they won the ball. DePaul kept up the pressure and the Byki had to work hard to maintain their defensive shape.

In the 10th minute, a poor giveaway in midfield sprang DePaul into a counterattack. A DePaul player audaciously cracked a shot from beyond 30 yards, putting goalkeeper Pete Chronowski to the test. Chronowski tipped the ball over the bar, but the onslaught was just beginning.

DePaul broke out along the right flank in the 27th minute, creating open space in the Byki penalty area. Chronowski blocked an unmarked shot attempt and his teammates did well to clear the rebound to safety.

Being able to hold things together proved valuable to the Byki, who got back into the contest in the 35th minute. Alan Stevens heaved a long throw-in from the right touchline for Maciek Kekus on the left side of the box. Kekus boomed a

huge half-volley into the back of the net to square things at 1:1.

That goal woke up the visitors, who were unlucky not to regain the lead before the break. They worked the ball with ease along the right wing in the 39th minute. The quick passes opened up the Byki defense, who were spared blushes when a DePaul forward blasted a sitter wide of the post.

Just before the break, DePaul had the Byki scrambling. With several players left unmarked in the area, a goal appeared inevitable, until Chronowski came up with a timely grab at the near post.

DePaul picked up right where they left off to start the second frame. The Byki were flat-footed in the back, as they were slow to react to DePaul's passing movements. Two point-blank saves from Chronowski kept the score level.

Chris Hurley fought for a 50/50 ball moments later and the Byki pinged passes through the DePaul defense, ending with Hurley poised to bring the Byki into the lead. Hurley was open for a moment, but his shot whizzed narrowly over the bar. The Byki needed more sequences like this one.

DePaul ratcheted up the pressure on the Byki. Another open shot in front of goal was wasted, but DePaul kept coming. A Byki turnover in their own end led to a DePaul breakaway. Chronowski came out to contest the striker, who tried the high lob into the unguarded net. The ball sailed on target, only to be cleared off the line at the very last moment by Dan Jdrzejowski.

In the 62nd minute, a rapid series of passes unhinged the Byki defense, leaving a DePaul striker to slot home easily to make it 2:1. Moments later, a DePaul player stepped into the path of a weak Byki pass and went straight to goal, sliding the ball past Chronowski at the near post. DePaul's third tally in the flurry came in the 72nd minute, when they worked the ball efficiently through the Byki defense. A high floater found

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Week 4 winners

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\$25 - Erwin Fleps

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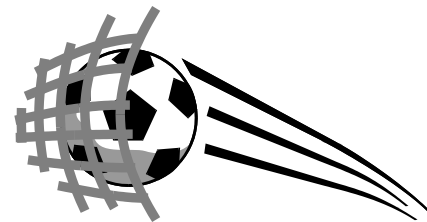


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BYKI bits & pieces



Have scarf, will travel. The Byki scarf has been an icon of the club since 2003, when scarves were commissioned to celebrate the club's 20th anniversary. Byki players, alumni and supporters have taken their scarves to all corners of the planet and there's been quite a bit of activity in the past couple of months.

Byki alum **Matt Treter** (1994-2010) recently relocated to Seattle and made sure that his Byki scarf did not get left behind. Matt's good friend and ardent Byki supporter **Patrick Watson** helped Matt and his wife **Tifanie** on the trek to the west coast. Along the way, they stopped to snap some terrific scarf pictures.



The scarf was also present at the Telia Parken in Copenhagen for the crucial Euro 2016 qualifying match between Denmark and Albania.



Matt (left) and Patrick take their scarf to great heights at Mt Rushmore.



Byki Prez **George Gorecki** took his Byki scarf to Europe this summer. In the fortress overlooking Oslo harbor, George discovered an unusual piece of artwork entitled "Pillow Man." A sign on the park bench where Pillow Man sits says, "Sit on this bench and you'll never sit alone." The artist must have been a Liverpool fan.

George was also among the greats of the Polish National Team when he visited the home locker room at the National Stadium in Warsaw.



Several Byki attended the Chicago Fire game versus New England in VIP style, thanks to **Eric Muehlbauer**. Eric invited **Brian Huck**, **Maciek Kekus** and George Gorecki to hang out at Toyota Park's Second Star Club.



Whenever you travel, be sure to pack your Byki scarf! Don't have a scarf? Getting one is easy; they're only \$15. Contact George and he will set you up.

All Byki scarf pictures can be found on the club's Facebook page.

FOOTBALL HIGH-LOW GAME WEEKLY WINNERS

Week 1							
	Winner	Ticket No.	Team 1	Score 1	Team 2	Score 2	Total
High Score	Glenn Vermilyea	492	Tennessee	42	St Louis	34	76
Low Score	Jim Jacobs	396	Oakland	13	Minnesoa	3	16
	Laurie Gorecki	76	Baltimore	13	Minnesoa	3	16

Week 2							
	Winner	Ticket No.	Team 1	Score 1	Team 2	Score 2	Total
High Score	Chris Allan	488	Arizona	48	Pittsburgh	43	91
Low Score	Dean Fukar	308	Indianapolis	7	St Louis	10	17

Week 3							
	Winner	Ticket No.	Team 1	Score 1	Team 2	Score 2	Total
High Score	Doug Towsey	41	New England	51	Buffalo	41	92
Low Score	Rachel Piers	102	Chicago	0	San Francisco	7	7

Week 4							
	Winner	Ticket No.	Team 1	Score 1	Team 2	Score 2	Total
High Score	David Sauerman	24	Carolina	37	Cincinnati	36	73
Low Score	Erwin Fleps	259	San Francisco	3	Jacksonville	13	16

**NSL FIRST DIVISION
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Red Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
FC Kosova	13	9	2	2	38	19	29
Stare Byki FC	13	8	2	3	45	19	26
Das Magic	13	6	3	4	39	27	21
Chicago Dynasty FC	12	3	3	6	19	30	12
Olympiacos Chicago	10	1	0	9	14	40	3
West Indies Jets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Blue Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Assyrian FC	12	7	0	5	31	25	21
FC Guadalajara	13	6	1	6	35	30	19
Gremio FC	13	6	0	7	32	42	18
FC Macedonia	12	6	0	6	27	32	18
Lancer SC	11	3	1	7	23	39	10

**PSLC OVER 40 B1/B2 DIVISION
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B1 DIVISION	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Stare Byki FC	16	11	0	5	43	25	33
Pampas OT	16	10	1	5	57	32	31
Windy City United	16	10	1	5	36	21	31
Naperville Strikers FC	16	5	2	9	38	47	17
MOFG	14	4	2	8	23	36	14
International SC O40	14	2	4	8	21	42	10

B2 DIVISION	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
MANA Soccer Club	16	11	0	5	85	42	33
St Charles Celtics Green	16	9	4	3	60	32	31
Itasca	16	9	3	4	49	34	30
Real FC	16	7	1	8	40	52	22
Chicago FC	15	4	3	8	35	50	15
St Charles Celtics Orange	15	0	1	14	11	85	1

**PSLC OVER 30 WHITE DIVISION
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	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Levski Chicago 2014	16	12	2	2	66	23	38
FC DePaul	16	12	2	2	55	20	38
AEK FC Chicago	16	11	2	3	49	19	35
St Charles Celtics	16	11	1	4	56	39	34
Stare Byki FC	16	8	1	7	49	42	25
Chicago Rangers FC	16	5	4	7	33	30	19
Olympiacos Chicago	16	5	0	11	31	44	15
Real FC	16	1	1	14	21	83	4
Shogun	16	0	1	15	17	77	1

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	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
HNK Concordia	7	7	0	0	32	5	21
Sofia BG	6	4	0	2	26	15	12
International SC	8	3	1	4	21	25	10
Stare Byki FC	8	2	1	5	9	32	7
St Charles Celtics	7	1	0	6	11	22	3