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Hellenic Utd **3 : 2** Byki 0-40

10-14-12

Hellenic Utd outpace Byki

The Over 40 Team played their first Cup match last Sunday versus Hellenic United and came up on the short end of a lively 3:2 match. Hellenic took firm control of Group D, with six points from two games.

The Byki will face a do-or-die match versus St Charles Celtics Blue on Sunday. The sides are level with three points from two matches, although the Byki have a slight edge in goal difference. If they can beat the Celtics, the Byki will have to wait and see how the final matches in the group stage turn out. The five group winners and three best second-place teams will advance to the quarterfinals of the tournament. (The Byki got their three points the easy way, thanks to a forfeit win over Celtics Green, their opponent in the first match of the group stage.)

Hellenic were the first opponent for the Byki from the Over 40 Blue Division in a year. The Byki, who battled all season for one of the two coveted promotion spots in the Green Division, gave a good account of themselves in a match played at a brisk pace at both ends of the field.

Hellenic were clearly ready to play. With a strong wind at their backs, they pressured the Byki from the get-go, with quick ball movement. They consistently moved an extra player to the center of the field, leaving the Byki to deal with a numerical mismatch. Their focus was on short passes and then long through balls.

When the Byki had the ball, Hellenic immediately closed things down. The Byki had a hard time establishing an attacking rhythm, as players often failed to move to the ball quickly. This resulted in frequent turnovers for Hellenic. Although Hellenic enjoyed the lion's share of possession, they had difficulty cracking the Byki defense open and getting dangerous shots on goal.

About 15 minutes into the game, Hellenic got their first clean look at the goal, and they made it count. A Hellenic

player blasted an unchallenged header right into the goal from a corner kick for a 1:0 lead.

The opening salvo actually shook the Byki out of their lethargy. At the half hour mark, Hellenic cleared a Byki corner kick to the halfway line. Dan Jedrzejowski, making his Over 40 debut, controlled the ball and launched a fierce shot into the wind from 35 yards that the keeper did well to parry. The ball hit the crossbar and bounced straight down, just over the goal line. Players from both teams inexplicably stood frozen in the goalmouth for a moment, but the assistant referee signaled for a goal.

Hellenic went up 2:1 when they converted yet another unchallenged header from a corner kick and took that advantage into the break.

The game turned into a midfield battle in the second frame. Both teams made occasional forays forward, but no really good chances emerged. Disaster struck for the Byki when they lost possession and Hellenic ignited a counterattack. Goalie James Vlahakis came out to intervene, but was powerless to do anything and Hellenic held a crucial 3:1 lead.

The Byki then turned up the heat. They settled into their game and began swinging the ball from wing to wing, rather than forcing it forward. The chances started materializing, but the Byki could not finish them until a nifty sequence in the 70th minute, when Steven Pedlow crossed for Mitch Posada, who scored on an improbable diving header from the penalty spot.

The swing in momentum led the Byki to believe that another equalizer was imminent. Hellenic were on their heels and the Byki displayed good ball movement. The match changed inexorably with ten minutes left, when another Byki turnover in the defensive end prompted Vlahakis to challenge the Hellenic striker. Vlahakis nudged the player, knocking him to the ground and prompting the referee to send off Vlahakis for denying a goalscoring opportunity. The air came out of the balloon for the Byki, who were unable to sustain any attacking pressure.

Eric Tower contributed to this story.

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Byki Red **4 : 0** FC Steaua

10-14-12

Byki wrap up with clean sheet

More performance like this one, and the Red Team might have avoided relegation from the Major Division. The Byki easily handled FC Steaua 4:0 last Sunday at Oak Brook in the NSL season finale. Patrick Bollinger scored twice and Marek Ciszewski added a goal and an assist. The Byki finish up at 2-1-13 for the season and many players are eager to close the book on a campaign full of disappointments.

The sides battled on level terms for most of the first half. Steaua enjoyed the possession advantage for much of the first 30 minutes and the Byki finally came into the match when they committed to keeping the ball on the ground.

Todd Trowbridge made a bid for the lead after just three minutes, when he intercepted a sloppy pass in the Steaua defensive third. His attempted chip over Steaua's lanky keeper could not elude the netminder's long arms.

Twelve minutes later, Bollinger lashed a free kick from the left side towards the near post and a miracle lunge by the goalie kept the ball out of the net.

Another Steaua turnover in the 41st minute was a near disaster for them. Ciszewski pressured the keeper as he tried to dribble outside his box and the ball fell to Trowbridge, who sent another lob attempt high over the keeper. In an incredible display of body contortion, the goalie managed to reach back and parry the ball away.

The Byki went ahead a minute later. Maciek Kekus fed the ball to Ciszewski, who rambled unmarked along the left wing. He sent a cross towards the goal and then began his celebration when the wind bamboozled the keeper and helped guide the ball into the net.

The Byki kept up the pressure in the second half. Four minutes in, Kekus chased after a deep cross on the left side and dropped a pass back for Ciszewski, who laid it off square for Stefan Soegaard. The midfielder picked his spot at the top of the box, but the keeper repelled his shot with a tremendous save.

In the 51st minute, Bollinger sprinted onto a long clearance after juking past a defender at the halfway line. Seeing the keeper straying from his box, Bollinger launched one from downtown and found the back of the net to make it 2:0.

Bollinger was off to the races again in the 58th minute. The keeper came out to challenge and Bollinger swept past him 20 yards from goal. Bollinger wasted no time

lining up a shot, but a Steaua defender reached out to block the ball with his arm. The referee sent off the Steaua player for denying a goalscoring opportunity and awarded the Byki a penalty. Lazaro Uriza did the honors from the spot and the Byki were in the driver's seat at 3:0.

Byki keeper Martin Bertels was having his quietest outing of the season when Steaua tried to strike on the break. He snuffed out two good opportunities in the closing minutes of the contest.

One more breakaway four minutes from the end sealed the result for the Byki. Ciszewski dropped a long pass from midfield for the sprinting Bollinger, who slotted home with ease.

NSL

FC Kosova **8 : 3** Byki Blue

10-14-12

Season ends for struggling Blues

The avalanche of goals conceded by the Blue Team finally reached its conclusion last Sunday, but only because Sunday's match was the last of the season. FC Kosova walked away 8:3 winners at Hawthorne, as the beleaguered Byki are likely to be relieved that this season has finally ended.

Kosova bombed the Byki for four goals in the first 25 minutes. It has been an annoyingly recurring habit for the Byki, who slumped to ninth place out of ten teams in the 1st Division's Blue Section.

The sides spent the second half trading goals, but climbing out of a 4:0 hole doesn't happen very often.

Jordan Stopka got the Byki on the board just before the hour mark. Stopka started the match at sweeper and player-coach Kristian Buur switched things around after the break. The Kosova defense were consistently vulnerable to Stopka's attacking prowess, but one player can hardly take on an entire team.

After Kosova had upped their lead to 6:1, the Byki replied in the 74th minute. Stopka lined up a free kick on the left side and fired a shot towards the near post. The keeper appeared to have a good read on the ball, but his hands failed him. The resourceful Jeremy Slate was in the right spot to knock home the loose ball.

The final goal for the Byki was the product of excellent teamwork and vision. Even though the contest was wrapped up by the 89th minute, the greedy Kosova team kept up the attack, with the intent of piling on more goals. The Byki broke up the play at midfield and Stopka was the hub that initiated a lightning counterattack. Spotting

Ohad Garnon making the overlap on the right flank, Stopka sent a square ball that opened up a huge lane for Garnon, who sprinted towards the Kosova goal. Garnon crossed the ball into the mixer for Stopka, who tangled with the goalie for possession. Striker Alen Mehagic cleaned things up by sliding the ball in for his third goal of the season.

PSLC

Jahbat FC 3 : 0 Byki O-30

10-14-12

Blundering Byki surrender match

The Over 30 Team bounced themselves out of the PSLC Cup last Saturday when only six players were present at Evanston HS, one short of the required seven to start the match. The Byki were forced to forfeit a game for the third time this season.

Player-coach Dan Jedrzejowski was expecting that the Byki were going to play shorthanded. Paul Gibbs and Maciek Kekus were serving suspensions for the red cards that they received in the La Granate match. Things went from bad to worse, however, when four players either arrived at the field too late or did not make it there at all.

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MAJOR DIVISION

Red Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
RWB Adria	16	12	2	2	50	15	38
Gazelle SC	16	11	0	5	44	23	33
Jahbat FC	16	8	1	7	30	32	25
Albanian Stars (S)	16	7	0	9	30	33	21
Brusfa FC	16	5	2	9	32	41	17
CKS Warta	16	4	1	11	30	64	13

Blue Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Hellenic United Blue	16	12	1	3	48	15	37
Deportivo Colomex	16	11	0	5	55	18	33
SAC Wisla	16	8	0	8	44	41	24
Hellenic United White	16	7	2	7	30	47	23
FC Steaua	16	3	2	11	26	51	11
Stare Byki FC Red	16	2	1	13	30	69	7

FIRST DIVISION

Red Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Jamstar FC	16	11	3	2	49	23	36
Bosphorus FC	16	11	2	3	48	25	35
Khaboor FC	16	9	3	4	41	20	30
Das Magic	16	9	3	4	43	24	30
West Indies Jets SC	16	8	4	4	39	25	28
FC Moldova	16	8	2	6	39	38	26
Independiente FC (S)	15	2	2	11	14	44	8
Shlama FC	16	2	1	13	19	58	7
NK Prijedor (S)	15	0	2	13	19	54	2

Blue Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Assyrian FC	18	14	1	3	79	26	43
FC Kosova	18	13	2	3	60	30	41
Gremio FC	17	10	2	5	44	27	32
FK Republika Srpska	18	10	2	6	47	35	32
Lancer FC	18	8	2	8	34	38	26
Raiders FC	17	7	3	7	38	37	24
Lamaso FC	16	5	3	8	36	36	18
Chicago Dynasty FC	18	5	3	10	35	57	18
Stare Byki FC Blue	18	4	0	14	23	79	12
Winged Bull	18	2	2	14	16	47	8

BYKI SCOREBOARD

RED

Byki 4 : 0 FC Steaua

NSL Major Division - Oak Brook Sports Core - 14 October 2012

BYKI LINEUP (4-4-2): Bertels – Uriza, Stefankiewicz, Suhayda, Stamatinos (c) – Soegaard, Ciszewski. Guzman, Trowbridge – Bollinger, Kekus. **Bench:** Dziekiewicz.

BYKI SCORING SUMMARY

1:0 – Ciszewski 6 (Kekus); 42nd.
 2:0 – Bollinger 3; 51st.
 3:0 – Uriza 1 (pk); 58th.
 4:0 – Bollinger 4 (Ciszewski); 86th.

Byki Men of the Match: Patrick Bollinger, Marek Ciszewski and Todd Trowbridge

BLUE

FC Kosova 8 : 3 Byki

NSL 1st Division - Hawthorne - 14 October 2012

BYKI LINEUP: Khankari – Stopka (c), Szczypka, Kosinski, White – Buur, Garnon, Barcenias, Slate – Mehagic, Jordan Jacobs. **Bench:** Lopez.

BYKI SCORING SUMMARY

4:1 – Stopka 5; 58th.
 6:2 – Slate 2; 74th.
 7:3 – Mehagic 3; 89th.

Byki Man of the Match: Jordan Stopka

OVER 40

Hellenic Utd 3 : 2 Byki

PSLC Over 40 Blue Division - Oak Brook Sports Core - 14 October 2012

BYKI LINEUP: Vlahakis – Towsey, Cohen, Fink, Pedlow (c) – Tower, Rodriguez, Weslar, Ciszewski – Posada, Elmkinssi. **Bench:** Ekundayo, Huck, Jim Jacobs, Jedrzejowski, Muehlbauer, Zygmunt.

BYKI SCORING SUMMARY

1:1 – Jedrzejowski 1; 30th.
 2:3 – Posada 8 (Pedlow); 70th.

Byki Men of the Match: Mitch Posada and Mark Weslar

Byki Stats

RED TEAM, NSL MAJOR DIVISION

Player	G	A	Pts
Ciszewski	6	4	10
Stopka	5	2	7
Trowbridge	2	3	5
Bollinger	4	0	4
Geraghty	3	1	4
Mehreioskouei	2	1	3
Guzman	1	1	2
Sampson	1	1	2
Uriza	1	1	2
Cardenas	1	0	1
Gyuricza	1	0	1
Herholdt	1	0	1
LaConte	1	0	1
Dziekiewicz	0	1	1
Kekus	0	1	1
Soegaard	0	1	1
Young	0	1	1
Team goals	1	x	x
Goalie	Min	GA	GAA
Bertels	1260	58	4.14
Najera	180	11	5.50

Final record: 2-1-13

BLUE TEAM, NSL 1st DIVISION

Player	G	A	Pts
Stopka	5	0	5
LaConte	2	3	5
Onaissi	1	3	4
Mehagic	3	0	3
Gonchar	2	1	3
Barcenias	1	2	3
Slate	2	0	2
Buur	1	1	2
Garnon	1	1	2
Koenig	1	1	2
Bollinger	1	0	1
Najera	1	0	1
Szczypka	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	360	13	3.25
Khankari	1080	62	5.17

Final record: 4-0-14

O-30 TEAM, PSLC O-30 DIVISION

Player	G	A	Pts
Maruska	2	5	7
Kekus	3	1	4
Inalsingh	1	2	3
Stamatinos	1	2	3
Gibbs	2	0	2
Guzman	2	0	2
Uriza	2	0	2
Buur	1	0	1
Fleming	1	0	1
Guild	1	0	1
Hodge	1	0	1
Kadzielawa	1	0	1
Penafiel	1	0	1
Dziekiewicz	0	1	1
Goalie	Min	GA	GAA
Vlahakis	90	4	4.00
Uriza	270	12	4.00
Najera	810	39	4.33

Current record: 0-2-15

O-40 TEAM, PSLC O-40 DIVISION

Player	G	A	Pts
Pedlow	9	6	15
Rodriguez	5	9	14
Posada	8	5	13
Huck	10	2	12
Weslar	2	8	10
Cohen	3	2	5
Ekundayo	3	2	5
Elmkinssi	3	2	5
Zygmunt	3	2	5
Fink	2	3	5
Jacobs	2	0	2
Dahlquist	1	1	2
Jedrzejowski	1	0	1
Zadlo	1	0	1
Mazmanian	0	1	1
Tower	0	1	1
Team goals	11	x	x
Goalie	Min	GA	GAA
Rodriguez	45	0	0.00
Zadlo	3	0	0.00
Muehlbauer	325	2	0.55
Vlahakis	1337	37	2.49

Current record: 13-1-6

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OVER 40 DIVISION TOURNAMENT

GROUP A	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Romania SC	2	2	0	0	9	3	6
St Charles Celtics Red	2	1	0	1	7	7	3
Black Eagle	2	0	0	2	1	7	0

GROUP B	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
SAC Wisla	2	2	0	0	7	1	6
Pampas	2	1	0	1	4	4	3
Hellenic United AC	2	0	0	2	0	6	0

GROUP C	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Bulgaria FC	2	2	0	0	5	1	6
Igloopol	2	1	0	1	10	3	3
Balkan	2	1	0	1	3	3	3
Chicago Celtic	2	0	0	2	1	12	0

GROUP D	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Jahbat FC	2	2	0	0	7	1	6
La Granate	2	1	0	1	5	5	3
FC Tarnovia	2	1	0	1	5	7	3
Stare Byki FC	2	0	0	2	1	5	0

GROUP A	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Champions FC	2	2	0	0	19	0	6
MOFG	2	1	0	1	3	15	3
Torino FC	2	0	0	2	0	7	0

GROUP B	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Botev Chicago	2	2	0	0	9	1	6
Real FC	2	1	0	1	8	3	3
FC DePaul	2	1	0	1	7	6	3
St Charles Celtics Orange	2	0	0	2	0	14	0

GROUP C	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Park Ridge Rogues	3	3	0	0	9	1	9
Real Wilmette	3	2	0	1	11	5	6
Windy City United	3	1	0	2	6	13	3
Villains SC	3	0	0	3	3	10	0

GROUP D	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Hellenic United AC	2	2	0	0	5	3	6
Stare Byki FC	2	1	0	1	5	3	3
St Charles Celtics Blue	2	1	0	1	4	3	3
St Charles Celtics Green	2	0	0	2	1	6	0

GROUP E	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
International SC	2	2	0	0	7	1	6
Gato Verde	2	1	0	1	8	5	3
Naperville Strikers FC	2	1	0	1	2	4	3
Pampas OT	2	0	0	2	2	9	0