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Byki

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United

Over 30 Team - Schaumburg Rec League The Sport Center - 2 November 2006

Big 1st half fuels Byki win

Marek Ciszewski led the way with three goals and an assist, while Ruben Parra added a goal and two assists, as the Byki easily took care of United in the Schaumburg Rec League last Thursday. The Byki thoroughly dominated the game in the first half, as they raced out to a 6:0 advantage in the first 20 minutes of the contest. United tried to make a game of it after the interval, but the Byki lead was too much for them to overcome. The Byki improve to 2-0-1 on the season, good for fourth place in the table.

The Byki fielded a full squad for the game, as coach Wei Zhang was fully expecting to bring home a win. He made sure to remind the players that they should start the game by playing solid defense, making simple passes and exercising patience. By paying attention to that plan, good things would follow.

Zhang appeared to be clairvoyant in his assessment of the game. It took the Byki only four minutes to break the ice. Defender Doug Towsey passed the ball to Ruben Parra

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at midfield. Parra didn't hesitate to keep the ball moving, finding Ciszewski on the right. Ciszewski took the ball down the right sideline and fired a shot into the left corner of the United goal.

The Byki were just warming to the task. A minute later, Ken Hunter sent the ball to Eric Tower at the top of the box. Tower wasted no time and shot the ball inside the goalkeeper's left post.

The Byki took advantage of a United mistake when their keeper violated a league rule by punting the ball. The referee gave the Byki a free kick right at the top of the United penalty area and Ciszewski had no problem navigating his shot past the defensive wall and into the corner of the goal.

The score swelled to 4:0 with 9:00 to go in the half. After the Byki exchanged a few passes up front, Hunter received a square ball from Parra and made no mistake from the middle of the box. Just 0:36 later, Ciszewski deftly passed the ball through a United defender to Ernesto Garcia. With a deft move of his own, Garcia tipped the ball right past the onrushing goalie and calmly rolled the ball into the net.

The rout was really on as the Byki made it 6:0 with 4:45 to go. They came hard on the counterattack, taking a play right out of the textbook. The Byki started things off by intercepting a pass in their half of the field. Ciszewski immediately launched a long pass to Andy Lane on the right side of midfield and then made a diagonal run. Lane alertly returned the ball back to Ciszewski, who scored with no hesitation whatsoever.

The Byki were clearly the dominant side, as United hardly threatened the Byki goal. But the Byki lowered their guard in the final minute of the first half and United scored twice, bursting the Byki bubble of confidence. After a turnover by the Byki in the defensive third of the field,



a United forward dribbled through the Byki defense and scored past Ryan Eliasek. Right after the ensuing kickoff, United scored again with 0:15 left to cut the Byki lead to 6:2

Zhang's halftime message to the team was a mixed bag. "I was happy with the way the Byki played for the most of the first half and I liked all of the goals we scored," he said. "But I was concerned about the two quick goals we gave away near the end. I told the players to stick to the game plan of passing the ball early and running into space."

But the Byki looked like a different team in the second half. Although the Byki controlled possession of the ball, the team lacked the same level of intensity in attack. On many occasions, the Byki committed turnovers with silly mistakes such as too much dribbling, weak passes or not enough support. Despite their lethargic approach, the Byki still managed to score two more goals.

Early in the second frame, Ciszewski passed the ball to Dan Jedrzejowski. Taking the ball just past midfield, Jedrzejowski fired a shot on frame unexpectedly. The shot caught the United keeper by surprise and all that was left for him to do was to pluck the ball from the back of the

net.

United pulled one back with 4:32 to go, but the Byki were quick to reply. With 3:15 left, Nick Elmkinssi slid the ball to Parra and was well-positioned for a return pass. Parra, however, caught the United keeper napping and fired a stealth shot that found the upper right corner to cap off a well-earned 8:3 victory.

With good, young teams playing in the Rec League, the Byki must focus on playing with intensity from start to finish. There is no room for coasting through games when the competition is this tough.

Wei Zhang contributed to this story.

BYKI SCORING SUMMARY

1st: Ciszewski 6 (Parra); 4:00; 1:0. Tower 1 (Hunter); 5:00; 2:0. Ciszewski 7; 9:30; 3:0. Hunter 1 (Parra); 16:00; 4:0. Garcia 2 (Ciszewski); 16:36; 5:0. Ciszewski 8 (Lane); 20:15; 6:0.

2nd: Jedrzejowski 2 (Ciszewski); 4:55; 7:2. Parra 1 (Elmkinssi); 21:45; 8:3.

BYKI LINEUP (2-3-1): Eliasek – Tower, Towsey – Elmkinssi, Jedrzejowski, Lane – Garcia. **Bench:** Casey, Ciszewski, Hunter, Parra, Treter.

Byki

1 : 14

Reszki

Over 40 Team - Sportszone Over 30 League Sportszone - 6 November 2006

Reszki pummel unfocused Byki

The Byki Over 40 Team had to face a battle on two fronts when they took on Reszki at the Sportszone last Monday. Reszki, who had won their opening match by a 10:6 score the previous week, proved to be a formidable opponent and are clearly the team to beat. They played the counterattacking game to perfection, constantly finding the open man on the break. The Byki were always reacting too slowly and keeper Sal Farhan had to face a constant barrage en route to a thorough 14:1 pounding.

The second opponent for the Byki, and for Reszki as well, was the incompetent referee, who raised the hackles of both squads even before the opening kickoff by shortening the game by over four minutes. The referee claimed that the teams were not ready to play, so he was forced to start the clock, despite not having blown the whistle for the opening kickoff until the running clock read 16:50. The matches in the Sportszone Over 30 League are supposed to comprise two 21-minute halves. Both teams complained bitterly, but the referee went deaf and ignored everybody.

"The referee's inability to apply the house rules didn't

lose the game for us," said George Gorecki, one of the more vociferous complainers on the Byki side. "Reszki played great and we complied by not paying attention to their game."

As the Byki divided their attention between trying to contain Reszki and arguing about the lost time on the clock, Reszki went about their business and started creating some goals. They blitzed the Byki with a four-goal spree within a span of 5:54 in the middle of the first half to take command of the match. They added two more easy scores in the final 1:40 of the half to take a 6:0 lead on the stunned Byki.

Reszki took care of the Byki by playing simple soccer and the Byki had no answers. Whenever the Byki pushed too many players forward, Reszki always seemed to come up with a turnover to ignite a counterattack. When Reszki countered, they did so with commitment and the Byki were too slow to get players back to defend. And even when the Byki had numbers behind the ball, they failed far too frequently in holding their marks. Reszki took full advantage by running into space and working clever

give-and-go plays.

The Byki salvaged a minute bit of pride when they broke Reszki's shutout with 11:14 to go. Brian Cooper stole the ball at midfield and took off on a strong run on the right side. He suddenly cut the ball back into the middle, where Dominic Demarets skillfully redirected the ball into the net at the far post. That cut the deficit to 8:1, but no comeback was imminent on this night.

The referee compounded his foolishness by stopping the clock with 1:15 left in the match and declaring that the clock would stay off for four minutes, supposedly to make up for the time lost at the beginning of the game. Why the imbecile didn't rectify the mistake at the beginning of the game, or at least add the four minutes to the start of the second half can only be explained by someone who understands the thinking of a person who has excrement for brains.

Refereeing shenanigans aside, the Byki have to look in the mirror after such a performance and find where the road back to respectability lies. They were outplayed, outhustled and outsmarted by Reszki. The solutions to these problems are not complicated, but they will require the Byki to play with a higher level of commitment to teamwork and to use their heads a little more effectively.

BYKI SCORING SUMMARY

1st: None.

2nd: Demarets 2 (Cooper); 30:46; 1:8.

BYKI LINEUP (2-2-1): Mansur, P Sr – Gorecki, Kleine – Ahrens, Bolesta–Demarets. **Bench:** Castillo, Cooper, Farhan, Gambino, Jacobs, Neighbors, Siepiora, Wiecek.

Byki Stats

OVER 30 TEAM, SCHAUMBURG

G **Player** Α Pts 8 2 Ciszewski 10 Jedrzejowski 2 1 3 1 2 Parra 3 2 0 2 Garcia 2 Hunter 1 1 2 2 Elmkinssi 0 Pedlow 1 0 1 0 Tower 1 1 Frischmann 0 1 1 0 Lane 1 1

Goalie	Min	GA	GAA
Eliasek	150	9	3.00

Current record: 2-0-1

OVER 40 TEAM, SPORTSZONE

Player	G	Α	Pts
Ahrens	2	2	4
Demarets	2	1	3
Siepiora	1	1	2
Gambino	1	0	1
Kleine	1	0	1
Cooper	0	1	1
Wiecek	0	1	1

Goalie	Min	GA	GAA
Mansur	7	0	0.00
Farhan	77	20	10.91

Current record: 0-1-1

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	G P	W	D	L	GF	G A	Pts
Belmont St Elite	4	4	0	0	41	11	8
Galaxy	4	3	0	1	24	19	6
Inter Puma	4	2	1	1	18	12	5
Stare Byki FC	3	2	0	1	16	9	4
Chi Town FC	3	1	2	0	13	12	4
Medicare FC	3	1	0	2	13	21	2
Stingers	4	1	0	3	16	33	2
Hellfish	3	0	1	2	10	17	1
United	4	0	0	4	19	36	0

SPORTSZONE OVER 30 LEAGUE

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	G P	W	D	L	GF	G A	Pts
Reszki	2	2	0	0	24	7	6
SportsZone	2	1	0	1	18	15	3
Hellas SC	2	0	1	1	11	18	1
Stare Byki FC	2	0	1	1	7	20	1