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LG White **1 : 7** Byki 0-35

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Byki trounce Celtics, still in title hunt

By Steven Pedlow

The Over 35 Team cruised to a 7:1 win over bottom team LG Celtics Dads White in Miro Indoor Soccer League action last Thursday. Through five games, the Celtics remain pointless. A big Byki squad of 13, including two players new to the team, kept everyone well rested throughout the game. While the short passing game didn't come together very well in the first half of the game, the Byki dominated the possession, the chances, and the goals in the second half.

Space was hard to find in the early part of the game as both teams pressured the ball all over the field. These tactics paid off for the Byki when the Celtics goalkeeper held the ball too long and was chased down by Steven Pedlow, who nicked the ball over to Marek Ciszewski. The club's all-time leading marksman knew what to do to make the score 1:0. Five minutes later, a very nice passing sequence led to Michal Mitrega crossing from the right wing to an open Eric Muehlbauer, who dribbled in and scored at the far post corner to make it 2:0.

Despite the two-goal lead, the game didn't seem secure because both teams were playing very good defense. The third Byki goal came when goalkeeper James Vlahakis threw the ball long towards Ciszewski, who was one-on-one with the last defender. The ball took a big hop over both players, leaving Ciszewski fighting for the ball with the Celtics goalkeeper. Ciszewski won the battle after a couple more bounces and scored in the game's 16th minute.

With a 3:0 lead, the Byki defense were left on their own for the one and only time in the game. The Celtics had a four-on-two break, but were still lucky to score when the ball took a deflection off a Byki defender, finding a Celtic player at the left post, who tapped the ball into the net. It was the halfway point of the game and the 3:1 lead didn't feel safe.

The second half of the game saw the Byki passing game come together and the Celtics had little possession and few chances. With 16 minutes left, Ben Zygmunt found a

wide-open Dan Nelson after a series of Byki passes around the outside of the Celtics defense. Nelson's shot deflected into the net off a defender, leaving no chance for the goalkeeper. It was Nelson's first match of this season; he had played with the Byki in St Charles during the 2009-10 winter season. Six minutes later, a beautiful passing play saw Pedlow drop the ball back to Nick Elmkinssi to avoid a double-team. Elmkinssi found a streaking Dave Safford, who used the outside of his foot to score from a few paces outside the box.

With only six minutes left, Ciszewski completed his fifth straight hat trick when he converted a high bouncing pass from the evening's other newcomer, Paul Daly. Ciszewski placed the bouncing ball into the right corner to make the score 6:1. The new pair then combined on the final goal with three minutes left. Daly took the ball away from a Celtics defender near the midfield line and sent Nelson on a breakaway. Nelson shot right below the keeper's hands, but the keeper could only muff the ball into the net.

The easy win sets up the December 6 battle for first place with Tatry FC. Both teams have four wins, but Tatry are unbeaten, thanks to handing the Byki their only loss by a 7:6 score back on November 1. Tatry can likely win the fall league with at least a draw, while a Byki win may result in first place being decided by goal difference.

BYKI LINEUP (2-3-1): Vlahakis – Jdrzejowski, Safford – Elmkinssi, Zygmunt, Pedlow – Mitrega. **Bench:** Ciszewski, Cohen, Daly, Kotsy, Muehlbauer, Nelson.

BYKI SCORING SUMMARY

- 0:1 – Ciszewski 14 (Pedlow); 2:16.
- 0:2 – Muehlbauer 1 (Mitrega); 7:10.
- 0:3 – Ciszewski 15 (Vlahakis); 15:10.
- 1:4 – Nelson 1 (Zygmunt); 23:43.
- 1:5 – Safford 1 (Elmkinssi); 29:02.
- 1:6 – Ciszewski 16 (Daly); 33:42.
- 1:7 – Nelson 2 (Daly); 36:49.

Byki Man of the Match: Dave Safford

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NSL

Byki **10 : 6** FC Kosova

11-30-12

Byki goal frenzy nets first win

It was raining goals at the Odeum last Friday when the Byki overcame a bevy of defensive errors to notch their first win of the NSL indoor season, beating FC Kosova 10:6. Six different players took part in the scoring parade, led by Marek Ciszewski's two goals and two assists. Jordan Stopka contributed a hat trick, while Daniel Zielinski scored twice and added an assist. Alen Mehagic had his best day in a Byki uniform, registering three assists.

Despite the avalanche of goals, coach George Gorecki threw a bucket of cold water on things when he harped on his team's defensive shortcomings. "We gifted three goals with really poor plays in our defensive end of the field," he said. "And the marking was well below standard. A good team would have buried us."

Kosova snatched the lead after just 0:59. They sent a corner kick to the far post, where an unmarked player raced in and slammed the ball home past the stuck-in-place Byki. Generosity was in full evidence for both sides, however. A Kosova defender redirected a Zielinski pass behind the Kosova goalkeeper and the score was level at 1:1.

The Byki went up 2:1 a few minutes later when newcomer Otto Rodriguez found the back of the net with a long shot from the left side.

Kosova equalized midway through the first half when the Byki sent a goal kick right to a Kosova player, who combined with a teammate for an easy score. Kosova grabbed the lead back with 2:21 left in the half when a shot slammed off the boards and ricocheted diagonally across the box. An unmarked runner finished things off with a low shot.

The Byki then turned the match on its head when they rallied for three goals in the final 1:13 of the first half. A long shot by Mehagic came off the short boards right to Ciszewski, who turned his defender and slotted the ball home to make it 3:3.

With 0:34 to go, Ciszewski sprinted down the right flank and centered for Zielinski, who was forgotten by the Kosova defense. Zielinski's first-time shot gave the keeper no chance.

The Byki squeezed every second possible out of that first half. Mehagic fed Stopka with 0:10 left. Stopka's high blast from the right side gave the Byki an improbable 5:3 lead at the break.

The calming effect by that rapid-fire succession of goals did not immediately materialize. Kosova got back into the game after just 0:50 of the second half. Goalie Amit Khankari hesitated to come off his line to clear a long pass and got caught in no-man's land when a Kosova player knocked the ball into the unguarded goal.

Any momentum gained by Kosova faded quickly, as the goal explosion for the Byki continued in earnest. They scored five times in 9:17 to put the result under wraps. "Our ball movement was rapid and crisp in the second half," Gorecki noted. "We put pressure on their defense the entire time and they had no way to stop it. Our players did a great job of converting chances in a way only rarely seen at this level of competition."

Stopka scored his second of the night with 14:34 to go when he fired a free kick from the penalty arc directly into the goal past the rooted goalkeeper.

Moments later, Rodriguez doubled his pleasure when he stole the ball from an inattentive Kosova defender and blasted home to make it 7:4.

Laz Uriza sent a well-timed pass for Ciszewski, who breezed down the left wing and drilled home a shot that found the far post.

The Byki survived a two-on-none breakaway with 8:48 left. Mehagic did not time his challenge well on a deep-lying Kosova striker, prompting a breakaway. Khankari came out to slow the play, and Bryan de Rama blocked the empty-net shot after sprinting back to help.

Just 0:20 later, Mehagic sent a pass to Stopka, who concluded a snaking run through the Kosova defense by depositing the ball into the goal to complete the treble and put the Byki up by five.

The Byki made it 10:4 with 5:17 left when Ciszewski controlled the ball in the deep right corner and dropped a pass for Zielinski, running alone in the box. Zielinski made no mistake and the rout was complete.

Kosova scored two more in the waning minutes to make the score more interesting. The flurry from the Byki, however, had knocked all of the enthusiasm out of Kosova by then and they could not find the momentum to mount a serious comeback.

BYKI LINEUP (3-2): Khankari – Soegaard (c), O. Rodriguez, Uriza – Zielinski, Stopka. **Bench:** Ciszewski, De Rama, Guzman, Mehagic, B. Rodriguez, Trowbridge.

BYKI SCORING SUMMARY

1:1 – FC Kosova own goal; 1:59.
 2:1 – O. Rodriguez 1 (Zielinski); 6:14.
 3:3 – Ciszewski 2 (Mehagic); 17:47.
 4:3 – Zielinski 1 (Ciszewski); 18:26.
 5:3 – Stopka 2 (Mehagic); 18:50.
 6:4 – Stopka 3; 23:26.
 7:4 – O. Rodriguez 2; 26:12.
 8:4 – Ciszewski 3 (Uriza); 27:10.
 9:4 – Stopka 4 (Mehagic); 29:31.
 10:4 – Zielinski 2 (Ciszewski); 32:43.

Byki Men of the Match: Marek Ciszewski and Daniel Zielinski

NATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE STANDINGS

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MAJOR DIVISION

Red Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts	Blue Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Tricycles SC	2	2	0	0	8	3	6	RWB Adria A	2	2	0	0	12	2	6
CKS Warta	2	1	0	1	7	5	3	Hellenic United AC	2	1	1	0	17	8	4
Albanian Stars A	2	1	0	1	7	8	3	Chicago Fire U-23	2	1	1	0	13	8	4
KF Tirana	2	1	0	1	5	6	3	FK Kozarac	2	1	0	1	3	3	3
B-H Lilies A	2	1	0	1	4	5	3	SAC Wisla	2	0	0	2	1	8	0
Assyrian FC	2	0	0	2	5	9	0	FK Republika Srpska	2	0	0	2	2	19	0

FIRST DIVISION

Red Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts	Blue Section	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
RWB Adria B	2	2	0	0	18	8	6	Shlama FC	2	2	0	0	12	5	6
Lancer FC	2	1	1	0	14	7	4	West Bosnia SC	2	2	0	0	7	3	6
Gremio FC A	2	1	0	1	10	7	3	Zaglebie SC	2	2	0	0	9	7	6
Stare Byki FC	2	1	0	1	12	10	3	Stal Mielec	2	1	0	1	6	6	3
Gremio FC B	2	1	0	1	8	7	3	Tricycles SC B	2	1	0	1	9	11	3
Chicago Inter Yellow	2	1	0	1	5	6	3	HNK Primorac	2	0	2	0	7	7	2
Khaboor FC	2	0	2	0	7	7	2	B-H Lilies B	2	0	1	1	8	10	1
FC Kosova	2	0	0	2	8	16	0	Albanian Stars B	2	0	0	2	11	17	0
Chicago Dynasty FC	2	0	0	2	1	10	0	Chicago Inter Blue	2	0	0	2	2	10	0

MIRO INDOOR SOCCER LEAGUE STANDINGS

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	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Tatry FC	4	4	0	0	28	12	12
Stare Byki FC	5	4	0	1	35	17	12
LG Celtic Dads Green	5	3	0	2	29	21	9
OTHG	5	1	0	4	16	30	3
LG Celtic Dads White	5	0	0	5	16	44	0