





WYOMING 35DS CHRONICLES

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GAME #7 (ROUND 8)

	HOME		AWAY		GROUND	DATE	TIME
1	 UMINA	vs	 WYOMING	2	Umina Oval 2 (Umina)	June 13	13:30

Deep in enemy territory ! Against the competition leaders ! Only one substitute available ! Wyoming 35DS had their work cut out for them today. Their only loss thus far this season was to this Umina team in Round 1. A victory slipped away from them that day due to defensive errors ... and today another saw them trailing early. But in true Tigers fashion, they weathered a storm in their defensive half and clawed their way back with an equalizer before half time. An ugly second half saw penalties at either end but Wyoming capitalized on theirs and held on for a vital victory. The win sees them leapfrog Umina into first spot. As the competition reaches its halfway point, Wyoming are sitting pretty as the 35DS leaders, two points clear and a game in hand over their nearest rivals. Nevertheless, there's a long way still to go.





FRIDAY FEARS

Friday evening, Andy sent a text to Meady enquiring how many were out for the upcoming top of the table battle against Umina. The list exceeded the expected absences of Framey (back injury), Adrian (knee), and George (ankle) with Mark, Tony, Dean - out, and Aaron & Meady in doubt. Andy made the mistake of texting Luca with the worrying news that their team was possibly down to a mere 10. Expletives aside, Luca and Andy tried to find solutions, could they get Luca cloned in time or could they borrow from the E's or F's ?? Thankfully, Meady and Flanno soon sent an update that we had a full team. Meady and Aaron were on board but that was still only 12. Flanno declined Luca's offer to recruit from the E's saying it would be good for all of us to get more game time. Who was he fooling ??

BANISHING BRAD

Andy had hoped to have enough players to exile Brad from setting foot on Umina Oval - Wyoming's No. 14 has a hoodoo against this team having never won at this ground. But with the lack of numbers, he had to play - drat!! That curse didn't look to be lifting anytime soon. In one play he opted to send the ball up the wing rather than whack it over the sideline. It traveled beautifully just inches from the line but the referee declared it had popped out during its course. Brad didn't agree. The referee refuted such insolence with a yellow card. Oops. Umina retrieved the ball but were confused where to take the throw-in. Paul stepped in asking the referee whereabouts it "allegedly" went out.



A F-F-Frustrated BRAD



STEVIE G steps up as Keeper.

KEEPER'S BALL ?!?!

With Aaron running late to the proceedings, Stevie G stepped up to fill in as keeper. With Wyoming struggling to push it forward beyond the midfield, Stevie G and the defenders were tested early. Together they held strong until one little mishap. A high ball and the dreaded ensuing bounce were headed in the direction of Meady and Steve. No there was no collision this week but just as Meady was about to take charge, Steve called out "keeper's ball". Meady backed off. Steve however wasn't able to retrieve it. A Umina player knocked the ball beyond his grasp, continued past him and headed it into the net. Beyond the cries of the Wyoming supporters were the frightened squeals of the kids on the sideline who witnessed Meady's demonic expression.



The ball escapes STEVIE G's grasp ... MEADY grieves



Kick-Off delayed as the net is not anchored properly (Flanno's tampering tactics??) / AARON finally arrives.

THE EQUALISER

Upon Aaron's arrival, Stevie G donned his usual No. 15 jersey. Steve, the current leader in Lady Lavender's Dirtiest Shirts tally, had less time than everyone else to catch up in soiling his shirt today but maintaining his lead was the furthest thing on his mind - he was focused on competition points. Possessing the ball after a nice tackle by Luca, Steve heard Andy's call from the center of the field and sent it his way. Andy in turn, chipped it over the back line for a charging Paul to run onto. Paul approached the goals from the left side and took the shot. An acute angle, it looked like the keeper had it covered ... but not so, it sailed beyond his grasp and into the net. Another great counter attack by Wyoming had leveled it up.



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A PENALTY A PIECE

Frustrations peaked in the second half. A Umina attacking play looked threatening but the final shot was capably contained by Aaron. Then suddenly the referee blew his whistle. Declaring the Umina player was fouled, he pointed to the spot. Wyoming was rotable. Yellow cards were brandished at the bookends of the taken penalty that, to the relief of the Tigers, sailed wide of the left upright ... Minutes later, it was Wyoming's turn. Wyoming pushed their way forward with some quick passes culminating in Andy sneaking his way into the 18-yard box. To stop him, Umina's bulky center back rushed in for a quick foul, tripping Andy before he could take his shot. The referee pointed to the spot and yellow-carded the offender. Fired up, Andy yelled out "sucked in". So immature! With tensions high, Paul stepped up to the spot and kindly put it away. Wyoming had the lead !!

MORE CHANCES

There were opportunities throughout the game for the Tigers to increase the lead. The closest being a shot by Paul that bounced off the crossbar and a disallowed goal that clipped Andy's forearm after a great pass from Dave. Sorry Dave, you were almost omitted from the Nudie Run list.



PAUL's shot hits the base of the cross bar.



ANDY's cross just skims past PAUL



Frustration ensues for FLANNO when his shot veers wide.

TWO SONGS WORTH

After taking the lead, the onus for Wyoming was defending the hell out of it whilst the clock wound down. Thinking there were only a couple of minutes left, Andy asked the referee for confirmation ... nine minutes !! Exhausted, he took refuge in the thought, that's only the length of two songs. The battle continued. Flanno had to come off to strap his knee - apparently - and Chris injured his ankle when fouled. The boys soldiered on though. Everyone fought on till the dying whistle but there was one man who stood out today, Luca Scuri. Positioned at center mid for 80 minutes, he was unrelenting in attack, defense and colliding with spectators on the sideline. Bravo to you brother, sensation effort !!

APOLOGIES

There are no second half photos for this report. I put the wrong SD card into the camera, one that only held a capacity for 250 photos rather than the usual 1000 taken. On the bright side, Ngari got to take a seat and relax on the sideline. Let's hope she has not become too accustomed to it. Nar did manage to save one shot for the following ...



CONDOLENCES

Finally, on behalf of the team, I wish to pass on my condolences to the Crecca family in the passing of Tony's grandfather. Our thoughts are with you.



WEEK 8 WRAP-UP

Wyoming are Top of the table with their 2-1 defeat over Umina; Gosford returned to the winner's circle beating Kariong; Avoca and East Gosford were deadlocked at 3-3; Kincumber made it back-to-back wins defeating Terrigal.



GOAL SCORING TALLY

- Paul - 5
- Andy, Chris - 3
- Adrian, Brad, Luca, Meady, Tony - 1

GOAL ASSISTS

- Paul - 6
- Andy - 4
- Meady - 2
- Aaron, Adrian, Luca, Tony - 1



THE GRUB CLUB

- Luca, Meady, Tony - 2Y
- Brad, Flanno, Mark, Steve G - 1Y



LADY LAVENDER'S LAUNDRY WOES

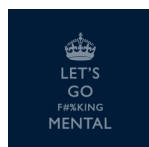
No points given this week.

TOTAL POINTSCORE

- Stevie G - 7
- Mark - 5
- Aaron, Gregg, Luca, Meady, Paul - 3
- Jason - 2
- Brad, George - 1



Cya
Saturday!!



WEEK 8 (ROUND 8)							
	HOME		AWAY		GROUND	DATE	TIME
3	AVOCA	vs	EAST GOSFORD	3	Frost Reserve 1 (Kincumber)	June 13	11:45
0	KARIONG	vs	GOSFORD	1	Kariong Oval 1 (Kariong)	June 13	13:15
1	UMINA	vs	WYOMING	2	Umina Oval 2 (Umina)	June 13	13:30
1	TERRIGAL	vs	KINCUMBER	2	Frost Reserve 2 (Kincumber)	June 13	13:30

CENTRAL COAST - 35DS									
WEEK 8									
		P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	Differentials
1st	WYOMING FOOTBALL CLUB	7	6	0	1	18	5	18	13
2nd	EAGLES	8	5	1	2	20	13	16	7
3rd	GOSFORD	7	5	0	2	18	12	15	6
4th	TERRIGAL UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB	7	3	0	4	15	13	9	2
5th	EAST GOSFORD	7	2	3	2	15	13	9	2
6th	AVOCA	7	2	1	4	9	10	8	-1
7th	KINCUMBER ROOS F.C.	8	2	0	6	9	25	6	-16
8th	KARIONG	8	1	2	5	10	23	5	-13

WEEK 9 PREVIEW

Wyoming were gifted three points with Avoca forfeiting last time -- will the Sharks be strong enough to avoid giving away any more points ?? Kincumber will be out for revenge after going down 5 nil to Umina last time; Terrigal narrowly lost to Gosford in their first encounter; and East Gosford, who've only lost two games this year, will be hoping to go one better after a 3-3 draw with Kariong last time ... let's hope the rain holds up.

WEEK 9 (ROUND 9)							
	HOME		AWAY		GROUND	DATE	TIME
	KINCUMBER	vs	UMINA		Frost Reserve 1 (Kincumber)	June 20	13:30
	EAST GOSFORD	vs	KARIONG		Hylton Moore Oval 1 (East Gosford)	June 20	14:30
	GOSFORD	vs	TERRIGAL		Gavenlock Oval 2 (Gosford)	June 20	15:00
	WYOMING	vs	AVOCA		Alan Davidson Oval 2 (Wyoming)	June 20	15:10