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LÅNGHOLMEN FC 3 v HÄGERSTEN 0

SPOT ON FOR THE STRIPES.

Season 2005 ended with a superb victory for Långholmen over their division 5 opponents Hägersten. The only difference between the teams was indeed only league status as the Div.7 champions more than matched a young opposing team. The home team hit the net twice before kick off thanks to the handicap penalty system employed in the Stockholm Cup. First up stepped Swedish ace Thomas Karlsson who hit his shot hard past the smurf like keeper, this was then followed up by Barrie Radfords attempt which hit the top right hand corner and immediately gave the away team an uphill struggle. The Stripes should of at least increased their lead two fold in the first half but thanks to some shoddy finishing the half remained goalless. Hägersten were constantly frustrated by Långholmens tight defending and rarely gave the Mole any real cause for concern in the opening 30 minutes. They did come close when penalty hero Radford lost possession just inside his own half letting the quick footed number 8 go on a great run and unleash a fine shot which went just wide of the post.

Straight from the restart Kerryn Beattie saw his well placed shot scream past the upright after a mazy run on the flank. Time after time the away team tried to break down a resilient Långholmen and time after time were sent packing with their tails between their legs. The killer moment of the match came in 74 minutes when the Stripes were awarded a free kick 20 yards out and it was dead ball specialist Mark O'Sullivan who steered the ball into the top right hand corner with a superbly executed kick. The joy on the big Irish mans face was blatantly obvious as he sprinted away to the home bench to celebrate his goal. A minute later the away team had a free kick which also hit the netting but this was chopped off due to an infringement in the area. The remainder of the match was played out without any real threat to either goal.

The black and white shirts will be brought out again in February in the next round and the possibility of another higher division scalp.

No matter what happens in the history of Långholmen FC no one can ever take away the superb feat of this season which was celebrated in a fine vocal style in the dressing room accompanied with champagne and who could deny these lads the plaudits. A point that must be made is that this is down to a great Club performance which stretches to the Korpen teams and all involved under the Långholmen banner. Season 2006 cannot come soon enough.

Crowd: 12 or 9

Ref watch: Dished out a few cards but had a decent game.

With a tear running down my face as I write this
All the best/Scot James.

Kårtorp IP, wednesday 29th september, 2005. 20.00 kick off.

TYNNERED 0 vs LÅNGHOLMEN FC 1

SUPER STRIPES KEEP COOL IN THRILLER

Foreword: As a supporter of Långholmen FC I can proudly report that the Stripes put in a first class performance this evening and showed why they deserve to be playing Division 6 football next season. Everyman stood up and was counted at Kårtorps IP this evening and played with a spirit and determination that would put teams several divisions higher up to shame.

This game was not one for the faint hearted and as expected the Stripes had to endure a hard physical match against a strong and resilient home team. Nick Short brought in David Molina again up front and will be toasting the Colombian striker for the coming months.

Tynnered did not supply any major surprises in this game, as they employed the exact same tactics as the earlier meeting between the two sides, rough and ready. In recent weeks the combination of Taylor, Everest and O'Sullivan have put in sterling performances at the back and can pat themselves on the back for weathering a very nervous last 20 minutes admirably. It was Dennis Foley who made the first foray into the homesides penalty area, when he saw his effort go narrowly over the bar. That was to be one of his few contributions to the game as he was forced to leave the match with a suspected broken wrist. The home team pressed on but could not get past the wall of black and white and they had a lapse in concentration when Calle Rockler Meiler played through an inch perfect pass to Dave Molina who charged on and coolly prodded the ball past the oncoming keeper. This spurred them forward and almost doubled their lead when Artoo shot just wide of the post. Mole was then brought into action just before the break as Myrhe for the home side had a blistering free kick superbly saved by the big Scotsman, throwing himself at full stretch to parry out the ball with one hand. Robbie Graham then supplied Calle with a golden opportunity to increase the lead but the Swede was over zealous with his effort and the ball went wide.

The Stripes huge away support were in good spirits at half time anticipating a couple of additions to the score sheet. They witnessed no more goals but an action filled half which saw Långholmen create three or four clear cut chances in the opening twenty five minutes then defend superbly for the last twenty. Time after time the home team barged their way forward and were unlucky not to salvage a point when Mole once again pulled off two out of this world stops to keep his team ahead and ensure a clean sheet for himself. Andrew Startup could of added to his goalscoring exploits of late when a glancing header sneaked past the upright. The game played itself out without the home team managing to breach the stripes defence. This was a mammoth contribution by the whole Långholmen team who have got where they are by great camaraderie, sheer grit and the will to win.

Crowd : 52 (plus three dogs). A fantastic away support who gave the team a rousing round of applause after the match. Well done all who turned up.

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FLEMINGSBERG 0 vs LÅNGHOLMEN FC 7

MAGNIFICENT SEVEN STRIKE AGAIN

Last season saw Långholmen play a tricky last match of the season at Vissättra, so they were taking nothing for granted this time. In all fairness this result flattered a very poor home team who were lucky not to go in five or six goals behind at half time. Manager Short was forced into a few changes for this match as Big Jim Taylor was out through injury and Barry Radford through suspension. The players who did come in acquitted themselves very well and could give the manager a selection problem for coming matches.

Polish striking sensation Artoo missed a handful of clear cut chances in this match and a combination of good goalkeeping and the woodwork left the score at 1-0 to the Stripes at half time, when a superb cross from Calle found the Pole unmarked at the near post to steer his shot past the portly keeper. The home team were unable to fashion many clear cut chances although Scottish cat like keeper Mole was forced into a great save on 44 mins when Andersson evaded his marker to see his blistering effort superbly tipped over by the Långholmen number one. A tactical change saw debutant Chris Latham make his first league appearance for the Stripes and he made a world of difference in the attack, as time after time he left his defending opponent standing still with his jinky style. Gallic star Antoine created goal number two and was involved initially in the third on 67 minutes when David Molina got on the score sheet after coolly chipping the keeper. A couple of goals then from the Pole made the score more realistic. Small man of dynamite (his Indian name) Latham contributed also to the scoring and showed some great skill in setting up Andy Startup for the goal of the match and to round off a perfect start to his Stripes career. Once again the Stripes proved that they have what it takes to get a top two finish.

Manager Short once again praised the enormous team spirit that is very much alive within his squad. They must now keep their composure and look to the next game as being crucial, against bottom of the league side Sarajevo. They also must face Tynnered in a game where shoddy finishing is most definitely not an option.

Crowd: 16. Including a far travelled Julian Sewell who came up from Helsingborg to cheer on his former team mates.

Refwatch: The ref had quite a quiet match and was not involved in too much controversy.

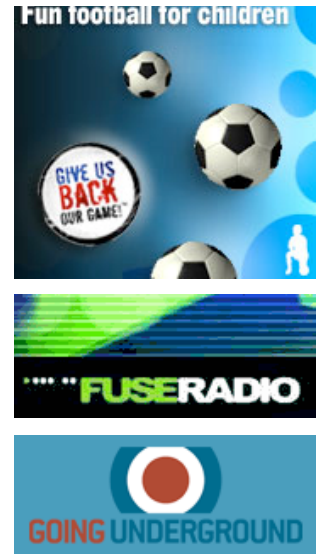
All the best/ Scot James.

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LÅNGHOLMEN FC 2 vs FITTJA DRIVKRAFT 1

VICTORY WAS TAYLOR MADE !!!!!

Big Jim Taylor, normally the strong player in the defence became goal scoring hero today as Långholmen once again turned in a stunning performance to inflict a first of the season defeat on Fittja. After the match Nick Short was so ecstatic he was lost for words



but by the size of the grin on his face he was more than happy by the way his side showed yet again why they are real candidates to win the league.

Fittja came at the Stripes right from the first whistle and could of taken the lead in the seventh minute when a well taken free kick whizzed past the upright. Initially the Stripes where finding it hard to cope with the pace and skill of Fittjas Patrick Viera look alike wearing the number 20 shirt, but fortunately hard work from the industrious home midfield stopped him from inflicting any real damage: The home sides first real chance came when Foley played a lovely looping ball to Artoo whose shot on the turn just made it past the target. The away side created only three real chances in the first half and unfortunately for the home team one of those was a counter. A rare lapse in defence left the Långholmen defence in disarray down the flank and a cross was turned in at the near post much to the dismay of the furious keeper Mole who did not hold back on showing his disapproval.

The homeside kept plugging away and should of gone in at the break at least even when Radford blasted against the post and then Artoo was unfortunate to blast over from eight yards.

Short gave his side confidence at half time with the belief that they could get back into the match. However it was the guests who had another chance to score when Faniopoulos lashed the ball wide from ten yards. The composure being shown by the Stripes paid off when a nicely taken free kick was left to bobble around the six yard area, until that is, it fell to Jim Taylor who scrambled the ball over the line to square things up. Some excellent intervening play by Thomas Karlsson and Antoine created further attacks which unfortunately proved unfruitful. On 80mins Mole made a great stop to keep his team level.

Mark O'Sullivan then stepped up to take an almost identical free kick which led to the first goal, the ball had a lot of pace in it and after a couple of aerial challenges once again fell to that man Taylor who made no mistake in slotting home. The remaining ten minutes saw very little goal mouth action but did see Barry Radford receive a second bookable offence and he will miss a couple of vital matches in the run in to decide the league title.

The Stripes came off to applause from there largest crowd of the season so far. Mark O'Sullivan who was very vocal in this match judged this as being his best game in a Långholmen shirt and who could disagree with him.

Crowd: A breathtaking 40 persons (including kids). Nice to see so many people involved in the club turn out and support the Stripes. Thank You.

Refwatch: Dodgy sending off decision at the end so he gets an oj,oj,oj.

No mosquitos today thankfully.

All the best/Scot James.

ÖRNENS 0 vs LÅNGHOLMEN FC 3

CLASS !!!!

Foreword

The match reporting team try to remain as impartial as possible when writing the reports but after the last two performances it is becoming increasingly more difficult to hold back this impartiality, as a fan and season ticket holder 009 it is fantastic to see the side play with so much passion and conviction and to witness the great teamwork that has been instilled in the squad.

This fixture looked once again to be a tricky one for the Stripes as Örnén have really picked up their game in recent weeks but one couldn't help feel that this was going to be the away teams night. Even before a ball was kicked there seemed to be a gulf between in the sides even in appearance, a focused stripes team against a team kitted out like ballerinas in their nice little green silky trouser number to protect their little knees a wise move if Dennis Foleys pins were anything to go by after this clash.

As early as 3 mins the home team came close when Svensson placed a superb cross into box which was met by the oncoming Svensson whose header glanced past Mole and the upright.

The away team weathered the early attempts by their hosts and were influenced by the never say die heroics of Andy Startup who had his best game of the season so far. The first goal came once again from a superbly flighted free kick by Mark O'Sullivan which was met by captain Robbie Graham whose header was powered past the helpless Svensson in goal. Minutes later another Svensson was yellow carded for a clumsy challenge on O'Sullivan. Another card was shown but this time to Foley on the half hour mark. However they tried Örnén could not break down the resilient LFC defence.

A Hungry home team came out in the second half and maintained the same style of play as in the first with the odd attempt on Moles goal and for the first period of the half it was a real war of attrition in midfield. The key point in the game came however when some fine interplay from midfield found Barry Radford who characteristically outpaced the defence and hit his shot low and wide of Svensson in goal, this goal came at exactly the right time and provided the stripes with a chance to frustrate their hosts. This appeared to be working as alice- band boy Svensson was red carded after a second bookable offence and gave his side an enormous uphill struggle.

The match was put beyond doubt when Radford penalised some woeful defending by the Svensson brothers in defence to make it a comfortable 3-0 victory. The onus is very much on the Stripes in the next match against title contenders Fittja. Nick Short was once again delighted with his teams performance and he has every right to be as there is a genuine understanding between his players.

Crowd:15

Mosquito watch: loads, do they have nothing better to do.

Ref watch: by far the best referee this season bar none.

All the best Scottie.

SÖRSKOGENS IF 2 vs LÅNGHOLMEN FC 3

STRIPES MAKE THEIR MARK.

Sometimes the romance of the beautiful game can be too much. The chirping of the grasshoppers, an old lady mowing her lawn, the faint aroma of freshly grilled hot dogs and the lining of the pitch half an hour before kick-off.

But that is where it stops as Långholmen competed in a must win game with grit and determination and made manager Nick Short a much happier man than he was on Saturday.

This game was played at a terrific pace and never halted until the last kick of the ball. It was the home side who were lucky enough to go into the lead. They were awarded a free kick 30 yards out and after bouncing wickedly off Johan Ericssons leg the ball found itself in the Långholmen net past Mole. Only four minutes had gone and for the next ten or so it was SIF who seemed more determined creating a couple of good chances. The Stripes soaked up the early play and contained the pressure at the back under the watchful eye of Jim Taylor who was carrying an injury and Kevin Everest who hardly put a foot wrong the whole evening. The composure in midfield led to a finely worked goal as the ball found it's way to Artoo on the flank who drew his marker wide before executing a pin point cross to the near post and the head of Barry Radford who made it 1-1.

A mosquito infested pitch then witnessed a fine goal after the restart as a free kick was awarded and Dennis* placed an unstoppable shot past the home teams keeper bringing shouts of joy from the small but vocal band of away supporters. The home team were struggling to keep up with Stripes Gallic whiz kid Antoine who again is proving to be a very good acquisition. On 54 mins industrious captain Robbie Graham played a perfectly waited ball to Artoo who rounded the keeper only to see his shot cleared before it reached the gaping net.

The same man played a big part in setting up the third goal when he shrugged off two defenders before delivering to Radford who blasted the ball past the goalie for his second of the match and his third of the season. LFC could of further increased the lead but were unfortunate to hit a post and have a shot skim the bar. The last ten minutes saw a determined SIF try to take something from the game when a wonder free kick beat everyone and sailed into the top corner giving scorer Dahlgren something to remember and his side a lifeline. The Stripes however weathered the storm and held out for a victory that has propelled them to third spot in the league. Manager Nick Short commented after the game that it was great to see such a great work rate from a team where everyone put in a sterling performance.

Crowd:16

Mosquito watch: The Maracana of mosquito stadiums 22,5654,478

Ref watch: a quiet chap by the name of Sam, made a few strange offside decisions and blew for full time as Artoos shot was rolling into the net. Not the best this season.

*footnote: Mark O'Sullivan scored the wonder free kick but we decided to award it to Dennis after mistaken identity in an earlier match. Well done Dennis.

LÅNGHOLMEN 2 v SUPPORT SK 3

Venue: **GUBBÄNGENS IP**

Kick-off **14.00**

Date: **Saturday 20th august 2005**

SIN IN THE SUN.

Support SK inflicted the first defeat of the season on LFC and in doing so put a dent in the home sides chances of gaining promotion. The stripes however only have themselves to blame after letting the visitors control the second half and put the ball past Mole three times.

There was a look of shock on the face of manager Nick Short who stood akimbo for most of the second half and watched his side get ripped apart by Supports young striker Madar who was by far the best man for his side.

In blazing sunshine it was a stronger than anticipated Långholmen side who took the initiative with Artoo, Robbie Graham and new boy Antoine all coming close. A good fighting display by Långholmens man of the match Dennis Foley spurred on the stripes to a goal on 22 mins, a free kick on the left flank was played in by Magnus O'Sullivan and was turned in to the net by Artoo who beat the SSK defence and gave his side a deserved lead.

Barrie Radford who also put in a sterling performance was yellow carded for apparent sizing up of his markers testicles and added insult to injury by capitalizing on some shoddy defending to make it two when he picked up a ball in midfield and ran in on the keeper to slot home. Further chances were created by the stripes and SSK were lucky to see the interval at only 2 goals down.

It all looked so simple and it seemed that the Stripes would maintain their unbeaten run, but the visitors planned to re write the script and showed why they are the leagues form team at the moment. Madar was causing all sorts of problems for the defence and netted after some poor defending. This seemed to give them a new confidence and will to win against a tiring stripes team. A superb run by Baznou on 69 mins created havoc and was only halted by a clumsy challenge Madar once again produced a piece of brilliance by scoring from the set piece, a wonderful curling shot high into the roof of the net. Palash then sealed Långholmens fate after he was allowed two attempts on goal before

powering his shot passed Mole with a helpless O'Sullivan looking on. Artoo then saw the opposing keeper produce a cat like save to deny an equaliser with ten minutes remaining.

Långholmen now go into Wednesdays match in a must win situation. A bad loss when a combination of complacency and lack of fitness contributed to an unwelcome result. After the match O'Sullivan was involved foolishly in a discussion with the referee, such acts gain nothing and often create yellow cards or worse, something one of the stripes' key players can do without. On his way to the dressing rooms he stormed past the match reporting team and delivered a four letter expletive in what can only be regarded as a childish act and to the disappointment to the Långholmen fans. He has now officially been reported to the Board of Swearly words and will be asked to explain his outburst.

Crowd: Disappointingly 11

Ref watch: Having had to endure a lot of moaning from both sides, the man in the middle had a fair game .

All the best S.James

LÅNGHOLMEN 1 vs SÖRSKOGENS IF 1

Venue: **GUBBÄNGENS IP** kick-off **13.30** Date: **Monday 6th June 2005**

DADS ARMY MAKE A POINT

The fact that Nick Short had become a father less than twelve hours before the match did not deter the Långholmen manager from appearing trackside for this top of the table clash. An honours even match prompted the shiny headed coach to say that he was proud of the lads for keeping up with the tempo and joked how Andy Startup caused a few remarks when declaring he was going into the box for the free kick that led to the stripes' equaliser.

A sunshine filled afternoon saw Långholmen being pinned back from the first minute and on three minutes Bradley Fry's attempt on the break was easily collected by the portly goalkeeper. The hosts were looking disjointed at the back and indeed a fifty percent fit Kevin Everest failed to keep up with Sörskogens Joakim Zachrisson who ran onto a through ball and placed his shot beyond Mole and into the bottom left hand corner of the net.

The stripes really failed to create more than three or four clear cut chances in the entire first half and the same can be said for the opposition as the game was constantly disrupted by an over assertive referee, who at times was stopping and starting the game so much that his whistle blowing was reminiscent of that of the rave scene in the early nineties...non stop. SIF then had a man sent off on the stroke of half time for a second bookable offence bringing a drab 45 minutes to a close.

The second half will not be noted for its great showing of football but for the scenes that followed straight after the re start LFC's Robbie Graham was sent off for a challenge on his opposing number a harsh decision not only for the fact it was in no way a harsh challenge, but it was also the first booking for the Stripes captain. Graham refused to leave the pitch and players from both camps became involved in discussions with the ref. The unsure and bewildered official then ran to the centre circle and abandoned the game much to the astonishment of players coaching staff and supporters alike. Short and his adversary ran behind the Referee and pleaded with him to restart the match and after a lengthy negotiation he did indeed return to the field of play.

The match continued, but was a very lame affair with a number of yellow cards being distributed for minor misdemeanours and both sides failing to get into any real stride due to the nature of refereeing.

The Stripes battled on and tried to break down the visitors backline to no avail until a well placed free kick from Melvin O'Sullivan was fumbled by the keeper and picked out by defending star Andy Startup who cracked the ball home from close range, a rare attacking exploit that kept his team at the top of the league .

Crowd: At best 17 at worst 4

Refwatch: It has been reported that the gentleman in charge of this match actually suffers from RCS REPETITIVE CARD SYNDROME. A shocking performance allround although he did run a lot.

LÅNGHOLMEN 2 v ÖRNENS FF 1

Gubbängens IP 29th May k.o. 16.00

SPOT OF BOTHER FOR ÖRNENS DEFENCE

A dubious penalty decision in the second half cost Örnens a share of the points and catapulted the Stripes to the top of the table. Nick Short's men can count themselves a tad fortunate when the young referee made a decision that baffled the away support and had the home "kop" in raptures.

The opening fifteen minutes were not witnessed by the match reporting department as they were held up in the large amount of traffic trying to reach the match, but by all accounts was a pretty even affair according to 1970's sunglasses model Rob Bushnell. The plucky visitors almost opened the scoring when an inswinging ball was cleared off the line by Andrew Startup after some fine work down the flank by the Örnens winger. Defensive stalwart Marvin O'Sullivan then had a free kick well saved by the keeper and was brought into action only minutes later when Karlsson's effort was turned away. Långholmen then suffered a set back when Kevin Everest had to limp off with what was a suspected calf strain. The half finished with a yellow card for Startup and a fine chance for Artoo whose effort skimmed passed the keeper and the post. Short seemed to have instilled some fight in his troops and with only 3 minutes gone

Dennis played a fine ball to Robbie who then found Brad who waltzed past his marker a placed a fine shot past the on coming keeper and into the net. Robbie Graham then came close with a Rivelino like overhead kick which just cleared the cross bar. The resilient visitors did not give up and came close when Mole almost gifted them a chance but the ball was cleared by Julian Sewell who was having a fine game. On 66mins a freekick was awarded to Örnens and this was taken by Eric Dareus whose whot squirmed its way through the wall and into the bottom left hand corner. Chances were then created by both sides with Graham heading off the bar and Artoo coming close. With 20 mins remaining then came that penalty kick which was well converted to give the Stripes maximum points and maintain their unbeaten record.

Ref watch: Apart from the penalty, the 17 year old had a fine game. One of the better refs on the circuit.

Crowd: 27,491

All the best/ Scottie

LÅNGHOLMEN 13 SARAJEVO 0

venue Alby International Pizzeria Stadium, 14.00 - 5th may 2005.

UNLUCKY 13 FOR SORRY SARAJEVO

At a quick glance the scoreline seems to be a misprint, but as a witness to this game believe it was not. On paper this looked to be a tricky fixture for the stripes but in reality to say they won at a canter is a severe understatement. The Sarajevo men had a total of 3 attempts on goal the whole match whereas the visitors could easily of notched over twenty goals.

The first attack of the match was by the hosts after some sloppy play by captain Robbie Graham, but a badly placed shot proved no trouble for Mole. The landslide started in the 11th minute when a defence splitting pass from Robbie G found Artoo, whose killer shot burst the vegetable bag. A minute later and a carbon copy move between the same two players made it two. Quite clearly the homesters were in a state as 3 minutes later when a Brad throw in was met beautifully on a half volley to make it 3 -0 and effectively kill the game as a contest. Goals by Chris, Brad and Artoo made it 6 by half time and one couldn't help feel sorry for the young keeper recruited from the local kebab shop only minutes before kick off.

The away fans in the large crowd of 27 were now anticipating 10 goals but were overjoyed when the stripes indeed notched up 13. Next up was Thomas Karlsson with a finely taken goal on 65 mins and then goals by Artoo, who grabbed a total of six, Chris, on a hat trick and a header by defensive stalwart MICHAEL O'Sullivan finished off a fine day for the Juventus lookalikes.

Fine performances by the ever present Andrew Startup and Mike as well as Tobbe and Patrick. New boy Dennis is also proving a revelation in a side that from the neutrals point of view have a realistic chance of finishing high in the league standings.

Two elements of the game impressed, the fact that the stripes battled on and even after half time with such a cushion kept on the pressure. The other was the good spirit in which Sarajevo took their defeat.

Nick Short, with his polished head, said after the match that the season starts now and that the team should not be too complacent after a victory against a very poor team.

Crowd 27

Ref watch Had a hard time keeping up with the goal tally and twice asked how much the score was.

All the best, Scottie.

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(few pics [here...](#))

LÅNGHOLMEN 3 TYNNERED 1 (Norrlands Guld Arena Kärrtorp)

ARTOO IN A ROW

A complete footballing performance in the first half and some astute defending in the second made good for a second win on the trot for the stripes in a home match played at Kärrtorp. Manager Nick Short found himself minus a couple of key players for this encounter and if this performance was anything to go by, team places will be closely contested this season, which of course is only positive.

The game kicked off in blazing sunshine and immediately LFC took the initiative and pressed on goal in the opening minute, although a more physical team they could not match the homesters in technique or commitment and as early as the fifth minute a wonderfully flighted ball from Sewell found the head of Artoo who placed a fine header into the roof of the net to open his teams account. The opposition made it clear that their game plan was more leant towards the unpretty style of football and in the opening quarter accumulated only a couple of attacks on Moles goal. A corner kick on twenty minutes saw a half chance being steered in after a deflected effort by Chris.

A lapse in defence saw the away side pull one back against the run of play and for the next couple of minutes it looked as if an equaliser was eminent. However a well placed corner found the head of the big powerful Irishman O'Sullivan who beat everyone to the ball and made the margin 3-1. The same man could of made it four just before the break with a floated free kick which grazed past the right hand post.

A much more determined Tynnered piled on the pressure on the second half and could not break down the centre of the field which was dominated by Dennis and Robbie. Indeed there was a lot of very strong challenges and Chris and Everest recieved yellow cards as well as Andy Startup who contested a free kick when LFC had already been awarded the free kick. Apart from two chances Tynnered were not producing any attractive football and spoiled the majority of the second half with a negative approach which in turn stopped LFC from playing the same attractive football of the first half. The

Stripes can take many positives from this match although at times they lost composure in the second half through squabbling amongst themselves. Bruce Willis lookalike manager Nick Short commented that it not as particularly attractive match for either side and that he was pleased the way team weathered the storm in the second half.

Crowd: 18

Ref Watch: The rather portly gentleman seemed for long periods to be stuck to the centre circle and made a terrible decision when booking Everest in the second half. Average.

Linesman watch: A superb performance by an up and coming star of the linesman brigade, apparently he also writes match reports.

/All the best, Scottie.

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LANGHOLMEN 2 vs TUDOR ARMS 0

MOLE AND THE POLE SECURE VICTORY.

The stripes played a good spirited friendly match against much fancied Tudor Arms on Thursday night on the artificial surface at Stadshagen. LFC fielded a side with a handful of new additions and if the performances put up by the newcomers is anything to go by this season could provide them with some fine results. It should be taken into consideration that the squad are lacking full match practice and a few of the players have been unable to train regularly, even so they still managed to control the match and record a notable victory. Tudor had the most of the possession in the opening exchanges and could of been two up in the first twenty minutes. First a clever lob by McGarret inched past the post and then ten minutes later Mole made a fantastic parried save, which fell to the oncoming striker who looked on in dismay as his shot cannoned off the upright. LFC managed to clear the ball upfield to Brad who made a nice pass for Polish striking sensation Artoo who slotted home for the opener. Only two minutes later and new boy Chris could of increased the lead if his shot had remained on target. Tudor were finding the LFC defence hard to break down and were left even more frustrated when a penetrating pass from midfield found Artoo who once again hit the net, this time beating two defenders then cheekily rounding the keeper. Tudor had only one more chance before the break when the ball bounced off the top of Lathams head and over the bar. The second half provided less action on the attacking front for LFC and can thank the goalkeeping skills of Mole as the main contribution to victory. Team captain Robbie Graham must of been very happy with the teams input and with new boys' performances and hopefully can spur the stripes on to better things this season.

Man of the match: Artoo for his threatening presence up front and work rate not to mention two very well taken goals.

The match reporting department wish LFC all the best in the forth coming season.

Photos: [here](#)

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