

# ROSS 7 – 0 HEREFORD C

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### Ross' seven dwarfs Hereford

A technically proficient and personally disciplined performance enabled Ross to run out 7-0 winners last Saturday over local rivals Hereford C in the Gerrard Hereford and Gloucester League Division 2. Indeed, Ross dominated possession to such an extent that it sometimes appeared that the opposition only had ten players on the pitch.

As has become the norm over the last month, the key to this success lay in the quality of the Ross defence. Showing considerable tactical acumen, captain Andy Ridgway put the familiar trio of Brian Clare, Edward Peck and Greg Weston across the back and, as a consequence, was scarcely called into action in the Ross goal. With Richard Jennison and Tom Walton again looking solid in the holding roles in the centre of the park, the rest of the Ross midfield could surge forward.

The most effective Ross player in this respect was Phil Evans, scoring a well-deserved hat-trick through jinx runs culminating in pin-point finishing. Adrian Williams bagged a brace, and Sam Warner also chipped in with a goal. But the most elegant finish of the day belonged to veteran striker Willem Haagen, who showed all the poise and élan of a ballet dancer as he paused, span and picked his spot. Dave Pearson, Kristian Franklin and Steve Evans worked tirelessly, and Andy Cross exhibited his usual dedication to the cause and damage to his knees.

This convincing victory moved Ross up in to fifth in the league and sets them up nicely for next week's away battle with league leaders Sherborne. Thanks are due to umpires James Adamson and John Setchfield.

Cheltenham C	4	Cirencester B	0
Cirencester C	2	Cheltenham D	1
Newent B	0	Wotton-u-Edge B	6
Ross on Wye	7	Hereford C	0
Sherborne	8	Glos City D	0
Winchcombe	0	Lansdown C	4

Hereford & Glos 2	Played	H.Win	H.Draw	H.Lose	For	Against	A_Win	A_Draw	A_Lose	For	Against	Goal Differ	Points
Sherborne	11	4	0	1	32	7	6	0	0	34	4	55	30
Cheltenham C	11	5	0	0	25	3	5	0	1	33	7	48	30
Wotton-u-Edge B	11	5	1	0	37	6	2	2	1	16	6	41	24
Lansdown C	11	4	1	1	32	15	3	0	2	17	18	16	22
Ross on Wye	11	4	1	1	21	11	1	2	2	11	8	13	18
Winchcombe	11	1	1	3	9	16	4	1	1	21	18	-4	17
Newent B	11	1	0	4	5	22	3	1	2	12	9	-14	13
Glos City D	11	2	1	3	8	20	2	0	3	10	21	-23	13
Hereford C	11	1	1	3	5	26	1	0	5	6	38	-53	7
Cirencester C	11	2	0	3	6	14	0	0	6	4	39	-43	6
Cheltenham D	11	1	1	4	20	15	0	1	4	5	21	-11	5
Cirencester B	11	1	1	4	11	21	0	1	4	7	22	-25	5