

## Vrs Hereford 'B'

### Stats

Date	For	Against	Venue	Fixture	SHM MOTM
26/1/08	4	0	home	league	Sam Warner

### Scorers

Name	James Brown	Adrian Williams
Goals	3	1



### Imperious Ross Triumphant

It was claimed that the sun never set in the British Empire; certainly the sun has yet to set on the unbeaten record of Ross Men's 1<sup>st</sup> XI this season. Last Saturday, it was the turn of Hereford B to be humbled before the all conquering force that is the wonder of the N4 Financial Solutions Hockey League. Of the 250 or so teams in around twenty five leagues, no side has conceded fewer goals than Ross. Truly, the Ross defence has inherited the tradition of the thin red line, repelling all attempts at breach. Such was the dominance Brian Clare, Richard Jennison, Edward Peck and Greg Weston in the most recent game that the Hereford forwards did not manage a single shot; goalkeeper Andy Ridgway put on his metaphorical carpet slippers, lit his imaginary pipe and completed the Times crossword from memory.

Of course, the Empire was built on industry and the engine room of Ross' current supremacy is its midfield of Sam Warner, Tom Walton, Kristian Franklin, Adrian Williams, Andy Cross and Phil Evans. But Empire also needs pomp and circumstance and James Brown was in his pomp in Saturday's circumstances, completing a hat-trick with the last action of the game. Finally, the presence of Willem Hagen in the forward line brought the dash of exotic which adds mystery to any imperial enterprise.

So, Ross ran out 4-0 winners, their favourite score line this season, with Williams also contributing a goal. Perhaps it could and should have been more, especially with Hereford being reduced to ten men for a period in the second half following an agricultural tackle on Warner; however, credit must also go both to the skill of the opposition goalminder and the resolution of the central defenders in front of him. South Hereford Motorcaravan Centre Man of the Match was Sam Warner and thanks are due to John Setchfield and Pete Hughes.

26-Jan-08	Cirencester C	2	Newent B	4
26-Jan-08	Lansdown C	2	Cheltenham D	0
<b>26-Jan-08</b>	<b>Ross-on-Wye</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Hereford B</b>	<b>0</b>
26-Jan-08	Winchcombe	0	Gloucester City D	2

<i>Hereford &amp; Glos 2</i>	<i>Pl</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>For</i>	<i>Agn</i>	<i>Diff</i>	<i>Pts</i>
<b>Ross-on-Wye</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>31</b>
Cirencester B	10	8	2	0	49	12	37	26
Gloucester City D	11	6	0	5	31	33	-2	18
Newent B	10	5	1	4	31	32	-1	16
Winchcombe	11	5	1	5	29	32	-3	16
Lansdown C	10	4	0	6	30	33	-3	12
Hereford B	11	4	0	7	22	33	-11	12
Cirencester C	11	2	0	9	16	41	-25	6
Cheltenham D	11	1	1	9	8	44	-36	4