

# Ross 1<sup>st</sup> XI Vrs Newent A

## Stats

| Date    | For | Against | Venue | Fixture | SHM MOTM        |
|---------|-----|---------|-------|---------|-----------------|
| 27/9/08 | 6   | 2       | home  | league  | Adrian Williams |

## Scorers

| Name  | Adrian Williams | Tom Walton | James Brown (Poodle) |
|-------|-----------------|------------|----------------------|
| Goals | 4               | 1          | 1                    |

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## ***Ross 1st XI start new league as they mean to go on***

Ross were at home against Newent A for their first league match of the new season in Hereford & Gloucestershire 1 and spirits were high as they had won all of their pre season friendlies. They were certainly in no mood to do 'a Derby' since winning promotion on the final day of last season. During the opening minutes Ross worked hard to gain an early advantage. Ten minutes in Ross took a deserved lead with James Brown using his pace to latch on to a rebound during a short corner. Ross then immediately won the ball back after the restart allowing the midfield of Tom Walton, Sam Warner, Luke Ward, Kristian Franklin, Andy Cross and debutants Adam & Sean Couch to drive hard into the opponents half before releasing Adrian Williams, who added to their lead with a lethal strike. In the closing minutes of the first half, the strong defensive line up Richard Jennison, Brian Clare & Greg Weston buckled under rare pressure, leaving keeper Andy Ridgeway stranded and Newent took full advantage pulling one back to leave the scores at 2-1.

With an encouraging team talk at half time, Ross began the second half with even more determination with the Ross attackers, Adrian Williams, Phil Evans and James Brown making fast and hard runs to gain and hold possession of the ball. This pressure culminated in the awarding of a short corner, their fourth, resulting in Tom Walton flicking the ball superbly it into the top left hand corner of the goal. Newent then took advantage as Ross relaxed, with their second goal. This only spurred Adrian Williams once more to drive into the Newent 'D', before letting rip with a shot that left the Newent keeper with no chance. Not satisfied with being 4-2 up, Adrian's stock continued to rise as he pressed home the advantage, producing another series of short corners, from which he capitalised from two. He was only prevented from further remuneration of his investments by the final whistle.

Special thanks to umpires Pete Hughes and Dave Chatwin.

Adrian Williams was awarded South Hereford Motorcaravan Centre Ltd MOTM for his four spectacular goals and determination.

### Hereford & Glos. Division 1

|     |                   | Pl | W | D | L | GF | GA | GD  | Points |
|-----|-------------------|----|---|---|---|----|----|-----|--------|
| 1   | Cleevilians       | 1  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 1  | 10  | 3      |
| 2   | Hereford A        | 1  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 9  | 1  | 8   | 3      |
| 3   | Ross-on-Wye       | 1  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6  | 2  | 4   | 3      |
| 4   | Cheltenham B      | 1  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6  | 4  | 2   | 3      |
| = 5 | Cirencester B     | 1  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4  | 4  | 0   | 1      |
| = 5 | Gloucester City C | 1  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4  | 4  | 0   | 1      |
| = 7 | Leominster A      | 1  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1  | 1  | 0   | 1      |
| = 7 | Stroud A          | 1  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1  | 1  | 0   | 1      |
| 9   | Lansdown A        | 1  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4  | 6  | -2  | 0      |
| 10  | Newent A          | 1  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2  | 6  | -4  | 0      |
| 11  | Lydney A          | 1  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1  | 9  | -8  | 0      |
| 12  | Wotton-u-Edge A   | 1  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1  | 11 | -10 | 0      |

#### Last Week's Confirmed Results

27/09/08

|                   |   |   |    |               |
|-------------------|---|---|----|---------------|
| Cheltenham B      | 6 | - | 4  | Lansdown A    |
| Gloucester City C | 4 | - | 4  | Cirencester B |
| Leominster A      | 1 | - | 1  | Stroud A      |
| Lydney A          | 1 | - | 9  | Hereford A    |
| Ross-on-Wye       | 6 | - | 2  | Newent A      |
| Wotton-u-Edge A   | 1 | - | 11 | Cleevilians   |

#### Next Week's Matches

04/10/08

|               |   |                   |
|---------------|---|-------------------|
| Cirencester B | v | Cheltenham B      |
| Hereford A    | v | Gloucester City C |
| Lansdown A    | v | Wotton-u-Edge A   |
| Leominster A  | v | Ross-on-Wye       |
| Newent A      | v | Lydney A          |
| Stroud A      | v | Cleevilians       |