

Ross 1st XI v Hereford 'A'

Stats

Date	For	Against	Venue	Fixture	SHM MOTM
06/12/08	1	2	away	league	Andy Ridgway

Scorers

Name	Sam Warner
Goals	1

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Ross 1st XI lose to local rivals Hereford A

The Ross 1st XI travelled to Hereford in high spirits and full of confidence after last week's victory. However from the start Hereford A placed vast amounts of pressure on the usually robust Ross defence comprising; Brian Clare, Sam Warner, David Skryme, Sean Couch and Richard Jennison. Consequently keeper Andy Ridgway was called into action after a short corner was awarded to Hereford early on in the game. It was clear that Ross were in for a very hard game even with midfielders; Tom Walton, Kristian Franklin, Nick Clark and Jack Wilkinson working hard to create chances for the attackers; Adrian Williams, Luke Ward and Phil Evans to score. Hereford A had masses of scoring opportunities despite the Ross defenders remaining strong. Time and again it was Ridgway who kept the team in the game saving everything that Hereford threw at him. In the end with all the shots they had it was inevitable that they would score, it still took them a lot more attempts for them to finally get one past Ridgway about 20 minutes into the first half. Soon after Ross had the chance to equalise when a short corner was awarded, but a goal was denied by a fine save from the Hereford keeper. More chances followed, but yet again they were denied. Hereford couldn't advance on their lead either with Ridgway being called into action much more than he wanted to, leaving the score at 1-0 when the half time whistle blew.

Ross returned refreshed with a different attitude, pushing hard on Hereford to create opportunities for the attackers early on for an equaliser. Emotions were starting to run high and for Ross it seemed that everything they tried to do went wrong in some way. Hereford used this to their full advantage and with about 20 minutes left in the second half an aggressive tackle on a Hereford attacker resulted in a penalty flick, however this was superbly saved by Ridgway. Regretfully, shortly afterwards Hereford were awarded another short corner, which they capitalised on, resulting in a 2-0 lead with barely 10 minutes on the clock. Suddenly Ross had a sudden burst a fortune and with a good flow of passes Sam Warner scored giving Ross a glimmer of hope so close to the end. However Hereford continued to cause Ross problems and were it not for Andy Ridgway, would have ended the match better off than the score line indicated.

Andy Ridgway was voted South Hereford Motorcaravan Centre Ltd Man of the Match for his strong repeated saves throughout the game and exceptional save drawn by a penalty flick from Hereford A player.

Hereford & Glos. Division 1

		Pl	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	Points
1	Cleevilians	11	9	0	2	48	13	35	27
2	Cheltenham B	11	8	1	2	48	21	27	25
3	Newent A	11	8	1	2	50	27	23	25
4	Ross-on-Wye	11	8	1	2	38	20	18	25
5	Stroud A	11	5	4	2	47	17	30	19
6	Hereford A	11	6	1	4	35	32	3	19
7	Lansdown A	11	4	1	6	33	34	-1	13
8	Leominster A	11	3	3	5	26	30	-4	12
9	Wotton-u-Edge A	11	2	2	7	18	55	-37	8
10	Gloucester City C	11	1	3	7	19	37	-18	6
11	Lydney A	11	1	2	8	13	50	-37	5
12	Cirencester B	11	1	1	9	15	54	-39	4

This Week's Confirmed Results 06/12/08

Cirencester B	2	-	0	Lydney A
Cleevilians	4	-	3	Cheltenham B
Hereford A	2	-	1	Ross-on-Wye
Lansdown A	4	-	2	Gloucester City C
Newent A	2	-	1	Leominster A
Wotton-u-Edge A	2	-	8	Stroud A

Next Week's Matches 13/12/08

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