

# Ross 2<sup>nd</sup> XI v Lansdown 'C'

## Stats

Date	For	Against	Venue	Fixture	SHM MOTM
17/01/09	1	2	away	league	Richard Stewart

## Scorers

Name	Matt Saunders
Goals	1

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## Ross rue spurned chances

Dickens' Mr Micawber once said: income, £1, expenditure 19s 11d, result - happiness; income £1, expenditure, £1 1d, result - misery. The same can be said of hockey and goals. Concede 2, score 3, delirium. Concede 2, score 1, despair. Unfortunately, there was despair not delirium for Ross Men 2<sup>nd</sup> X1 on Saturday as they lost their N4 Financial Solutions Hereford and Gloucester League Division Two match against Lansdown C by the odd goal in three.

Once again, Ross adopted their controversial strategy of lulling their opponents in a false sense of security by conceding the first goal after a poor piece of marking by the normally reliable defence of Tim Jones, Edward Peck, Greg Weston and Tony Faulkner. Then their impact was somewhat dulled by injuries to Adam Couch and captain James Adamson. In midfield, whilst last weeks man of the match Richard Stewart showed his increasing confidence and sureness of touch, gangly Chris Chalk was demonstrating the disadvantages of having your brain so far distant from your limbs. The second Lansdown goal followed a mix-up between Faulkner and goalkeeper Seb Sullivan, who at other times made a series of typically outstanding stops.

In the second half, Ross continued to make chances, many of which were spurned by Gareth Bowen. However, a neat interchange between Peck and Sean Couch in the opposition D set up Matt Saunders to score with a neat flick. Despite exerting almost constant pressure, however, Ross could not find an equaliser, even when the home team were reduced to ten men by a display of dissent not seen since the days of the Chartist movement in the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

Richard Stewart was named South Herefordshire Motorcaravans man of the match for his constant endeavour for the second week running.

### Hereford & Glos. Division 2

		PI	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	Points
1	Cheltenham C	13	11	1	1	60	17	43	34
2	Winchcombe	13	11	0	2	47	16	31	33
3	Lansdown B	13	8	1	4	54	24	30	25
4	Lansdown C	13	7	4	2	35	27	8	25
5	Gloucester City D	13	7	0	6	29	31	-2	21
6	Newent B	13	6	1	6	51	45	6	19
7	Sherborne A	13	4	3	6	39	46	-7	15
8	Cirencester C	13	4	1	8	27	37	-10	13
9	Hereford B	13	4	0	9	17	40	-23	12
10	Ross-on-Wye A	13	3	1	9	15	32	-17	10
11	Cheltenham D	13	3	1	9	17	44	-27	10
12	Stroud B	13	3	1	9	21	53	-32	10

#### Last Week's Confirmed Results

17/01/09

Cirencester C	1	-	4	Cheltenham C
Gloucester City D	1	-	2	Cheltenham D
Lansdown C	2	-	1	Ross-on-Wye A
Newent B	4	-	0	Hereford B
Sherborne A	6	-	3	Lansdown B
Stroud B	1	-	3	Winchcombe

#### Next Week's Matches

24/01/09

Cheltenham C	v	Newent B
Cheltenham D	v	Cirencester C
Hereford B	v	Stroud B
Lansdown B	v	Gloucester City D
Ross-on-Wye A	v	Sherborne A
Winchcombe	v	Lansdown C