

# Ross 1<sup>st</sup> XI v Lydney 'A'

## Stats

Date	For	Against	Venue	Fixture	SHM MOTM
31/01/09	3	0	away	league	

## Scorers

Name	Kristian Franklin	Phil Evans	Luke Ward
Goals	1	1	1

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## *Ross 1<sup>st</sup> XI victorious in local derby.*

Ross travelled to Lydney on a chilly winter's afternoon in high hopes of another victory over their local rivals. As always both teams were fired up and ready to go. Ross had first push back and within seconds posed an immediate threat on the Lydney goal. After attempts from Adrian Williams, Luke Ward and Phil Evans, it was Kristian Franklin who pinched the goal hitting the back board and taking Ross into the lead. It didn't take long for the home team to start making mistakes as they worked furiously to get a goal. Ross defenders Sam Warner, Richard Jennison and Dave Skyrme were making light work of the Lydney attacks, standing up comfortably in front of keeper Andy Ridgeway who was able to keep a clean sheet. The Midfielders Tom Walton, Kristian Franklin, Jack Wilkinson, Andy Wright and Matt Saunders worked hard at winning all the 50/50 balls and set up repeated chances for attackers Adrian Williams, Luke Ward and Phil Evans. However it proved quite difficult for Ross to score, with some shots being wide and others saved. Fortunately in the closing minutes of the first half Phil Evans scored a spectacular goal to give Ross a 2-0 advantage at half time.

At the start of the second half it didn't take long for Ross to reassert themselves and having gained possession were soon taking shots on goal almost at will. Although the home team were awarded a short corner, they found the pressure too great and missed their chance by shooting wide. Ross now stepped up their game and an accurate aerial ball ends up in Luke Ward's possession, scoring Ross' third. Further attempts to add to the goal tally came and went as the home side kept on making mistakes, giving possession away and not being able to penetrate the strong Ross defence.

Ross were then awarded short corner and although ball end up in the back of the goal, Ross' celebrations were short lived as the umpires deemed an infringement had occurred. Unfortunately that fourth goal remained elusive, leaving the score at 3-0 on the final whistle.

Luke Ward was awarded South Hereford Motorcaravan Centre Ltd Man of the Match for his darting runs and excellent goal.

#### Hereford & Glos. Division 1

		PI	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	Points
1	Cleevilians	15	12	0	3	70	18	52	36
2	Cheltenham B	15	11	1	3	67	29	38	34
3	Newent A	15	11	1	3	66	38	28	34
4	Ross-on-Wye	14	9	2	3	49	29	20	29
5	Lansdown A	15	8	1	6	46	40	6	25
6	Hereford A	15	7	2	6	46	43	3	23
7	Stroud A	15	5	5	5	53	30	23	20
8	Leominster A	14	4	4	6	31	39	-8	16
9	Gloucester City C	15	2	4	9	26	49	-23	10
10	Wotton-u-Edge A	15	2	3	10	25	72	-47	9
11	Cirencester B	15	2	2	11	21	73	-52	8
12	Lydney A	13	1	3	9	15	55	-40	6

#### This Week's Confirmed Results

Cheltenham B	7	-	3	Newent A
Cleevilians	10	-	0	Cirencester B
Gloucester City C	1	-	1	Leominster A
Lansdown A	3	-	1	Stroud A
Wotton-u-Edge A	3	-	7	Hereford A

#### Outstanding Results

31/01/09 Lydney A v Ross-on-Wye

#### Next Week's Matches

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