



Cycling from John O Groats to Lands End

Charity Football Match

Sunday 16th May saw a charity football match between NCC Global and Ringway A.F.C. (soon to be renamed the Cheshire Cheese!). It was held at the British Airways Sports Club, Silver Wings, in Timperly, Manchester.

Each player generously paid an exorbitantly high match fee and NCC Global kindly picked up the pitch fee.

The carpet-like pitch suited both sides and encouraged good passing football, the early stages being dominated by Ringway. Some absolutely woeful finishing from the Ringway strikers (or should I say striker) and some fine saves from the Global keeper, Simon Greaves, kept the half-time score to a respectable 1-0 to Ringway. Veteran midfielder, Mick Mosey, with the only goal of the half.



Mick Mosey

The second half saw two different sides – literally! Ringway had a striker in goal, the goalkeeper in midfield, a midfielder at centre-half – a recipe for disaster.

Global came out firing on all cylinders and threatened to break from the mid-field on several occasions. Only sterling defending from the ever reliable Adam Sanderson and Andy Witts ensured that Ringway keeper, Darren Howe, was left as a mere spectator (a good job really).



"Reliable" – Sanderson & Witts



Further pressure on the Global goal ensued, chance after chance was squandered. The most notable from Simon "*Ronnie Rosenthal*" Nutall who managed to balloon the ball over the bar from 6 yards out with the keeper stranded!

"Crap" – Nutall & Rosenthal

Greaves in the Global goal, playing with a broken finger, secured his place as Man Of The Match with a string of fine saves, but there was little he could do about the calm finishing of Nick Cochrane mid-way through the second half to wrap up the game at 2-0.



"On Target" - Cochrane



The fund raising continued after the final whistle by means of a Penalty Competition. With around 15 entrants, Ringway's Ian Roddy emerged victorious

Ian Roddy

In conclusion, the day was a great success, raising over £300 for the End2End2004 team.

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Adam Boland, for organising the whole event.



Adam Boland



Andy Parker - Didn't play but, my God he's ugly