

Match Report for Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2007  
Northants Combination League  
NFA Lower Junior Cup Round Two

Ristee Towers FC      2      Irchester Reserves      1

Referee Mr Bruce Stevens

Ristee Towers FC players.

Steve Clark, Phil Williams, Micky Braines, Mark Seaman, Conor Gordon, Sean Wesley, Simon Emery, Dean Hadaway, Andrew Pocock, Adam Taylor, Karl Guy.

Substitutions .

Gary Rose for Andrew Pocock at 61 minutes, Simon Kent for Sean Wesley at 84 minutes, Leigh Butler for Dean Hadaway at 84 minutes. Kevin Davies and Jimmy Randall unused.

Scorers.

Andrew Pocock at 22 minutes, Simon Emery at 64 minutes.

Manager Dave Parsons

Ristee Towers FC were one of just four Northants Combination League sides to face higher level UCL opposition in the second round and were the only ones to progress with a 2 - 1 home win over visitors Irchester Reserves.

Towers built themselves an early mountain to climb when the visitor's striker broke clean through the defence on 15 minutes to put them ahead with a cool finish. Up the other end charged Ristee Towers all guns blazing and got their reward when a cross just inside the box was neatly finished on 22 minutes by Towers legend Andrew Pocock. Much provoked by this the opposition came straight back and the game went end to end in true Cup style. The Towers faithful breathed out as the half time whistle blew with the score level.

Not long into the second half the man with the loudest boots in football, Gary Rose, came on to charge up and down like everybody else. But it was cool hand Simon Emery who gambled on a long cross / shot and came up trumps as it went in off the post at 64 minutes.

Simon Kent and Leigh Butler joined in for the last few minutes as it was all hands to the pumps with Towers under relentless pressure, in the process doing all they could to throw it away as the visitors missed chances, but they held on for an historic first win over UCL opposition and a deserved place in the 3<sup>rd</sup> round.

Next fixture Staverton Park Rangers at home

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