

Match Report for Saturday 8th December 2007  
Northants Combination League  
Division 3 home fixture

Ristee Towers FC      3      Corby Locos      2

Referee Mr Goode

Ristee Towers FC players.

Steve Clark, Phil Williams, Micky Braines, Kevin Davies, Andrew Pocock, Sean Wesley, Simon Emery, Dean Hadaway, Gary Rose, Leigh Butler, Karl Guy.

Substitutions .

Mark Seaman for Karl Guy at 68 minutes, Adam Taylor for Dean Hadaway at 76 minutes, Steve Emery, Ben Wadsworth, Iain Smith unused.

Iain Smith ran the line - thank you.

Ristee Towers FC scorers

Leigh Butler at 4 and 6 minutes, Sean Wesley at 87 minutes.

Man of the Match Leigh Butler

Manager Dave Parsons

Ristee Towers FC brought the pantomime season to Woodford early with this performance. Straight from the off Towers attacked and rocked visitors Corby Locos with 2 early goals, both from Leigh butler. At 4 minutes Butler, completely unmarked, received a great cross from Gary Rose to head in for number one. 2 minutes later Butler caught a cross from Towers legend Andrew Pocock on the half volley to thump in his second.

The visitors heads dropped and Towers decided for themselves that they were all individual superstars up for a goal feast. The net result was zilch as chance after chance went begging. Meanwhile Locos, watching all this attempted dazzling individual skill, thought - let's bang in a goal of our own then. And down the pitch they went to do just that at 36 minutes. Just to really make a game of it they kept going to level the score at 44 minutes.

The second half opened up as the game went end to end with the pitch rapidly degenerating into a mud slick from all the driving rain. At least three more great chances went begging. For the Towers Faithful huddling in trawler mans type gear in the foul conditions outside, with even Maxwell the mascot dog wearing a winter coat for the first time ever, or peeking out from the clubhouse windows it was looking like the first team to make a mistake would lose the game - all fingers crossed in unison that it would not be Towers.

As the clock crawled round and with an unwanted home draw in sight Towers attacked the box. Into sight hove Sean Wesley at full tilt to pinch a crossed ball intended for the well placed Towers legend Mark Seaman. Wesley tapped the ball towards the goal in the mud, out rushed the keeper only to pitch forwards and sled out in the mud going the other way. Unbelievably the ball somehow slipped under the keeper to trundle serenely into the back of the net for a last gasp 87<sup>th</sup> minute winner with Sean Wesley the recipient of the muddiest player pile yet seen by Towers.