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MATCH REPORTS

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Game 1: **South Ayrshire Tigers vs Glasgow Gladiators**

A sluggish start for both teams so a nervous start but within 5mins the Tigers were on the front foot. Few chances came the Ayrshire sides way as they started to control the game. 1st chance fell to the tigers when Annemarie's long pass to the back post saw Stuart coming close but the ball got away from him. James was knocking the ball about well in the middle of the park, creating a lot of attack for the tigers. The first real danger for the tigers came from a fast break up the park but Scott Robb robbed them of their chance as he came off his line quick. Tigers kept piling on the pressure which led to a few corners but they couldn't break the deadlock. Half time 0-0

The 18th minute mark tigers broke the deadlock when James free kick to the back post set Stuart up for a spin shot into the net. Scott Robb found himself in a 1v1 at the back but ended the danger, to maintain the clean sheet. Annmarie came close when she dribbled the ball into the box forcing the keeper into a save. Stuart was next to cause the gladiator's problems but put his shot wide. A bit of pressure came the tiger's way but Scott made a great save and James was on hand to clear the ball to deny a rebound. Moments later James won a 1v1 battle and got the tigers forward but no end product this time. James came close from a long range shot but could only watch his effort go wide. Last action of the match saw a gladiator's hit a dangerous corner but James cleared.

Full time: Tigers 1-0 Gladiators

Team, Scott Robb, Stuart Niven, James Doull (c), Annmarie Robertson. Subs, Pauline Paterson, Scott Wood. Goal scorers: Stuart Niven (1)

Game 2: **South Ayrshire Tigers v Glasgow Gladiators, Bravehearts**

From the first whistle the Tigers were on the front foot and created attack after attack. Stuart was first to try his luck but just couldn't find the target. In the 3rd minute, Annmarie delivered an inch perfect cross to the back post for Stuart to give the Tigers an early lead. The attacks kept coming and this time Annmarie came close but could only win her side a corner. From the resulting corner, Annmarie picked out James but his spin shot went wide of the target. The lead was soon doubled from a solo effort when Stuart dribbled through the pack and finished of nicely for 2-0. Stuart then came close again with a similar dribble but this time could only win a corner. A seven minute hat-trick was complete from the resulting corner when Annemarie's cross to James who flicked on for Stuart to finish into the goal. Stuart and James were passing well together and set up Annmarie who calmly stuck it into the net on the 9th minute for 4-0 Tigers. The attacks kept coming for the Ayrshire side, James this time went on a solo dribble but his effort hit the post. Annmarie was back on the score sheet as

she hit home in the 11th minute. James and Annmarie were now linking up well and picked out Stuart whose deflected effort of the Bravehearts defender found the back of the goal on the 13th minute. Half time Tigers 6-0 Bravehearts.

Second half started with Pauline replacing Scott Robb in goals. Tigers continued how they left off with fast attacking football. Stuart set up Annmarie who was unlucky not to score. James this time picked out Stuart with an excellent pass but the keeper done well to save his effort. On the 18th minute saw Stuart being replaced by Scott Wood. A moment later on the 19th minuets James fired home another goal on his second attempt after a good 1st save from the keeper. Scott Wood set up James from a 1st time pass he received but James shot was blocked on route to goal. Annmarie then forced a corner from a good shot that the keeper turned wide. On the 23rd minuet saw Annmarie replaced by Scott Robb. Seconds later James was also back within the goals when he pounced on a hit in from the Bravehearts to punish them for their mistake. 24 minutes gone and Scott Robb grabbed himself a goal.

Full time Tigers 9-0 Bravehearts.

Team, Scott Robb, Stuart Niven, James Doull (c), Annmarie Robertson. Subs, Pauline Paterson, Scott Wood.

Goal scorers: Stuart Niven (4), Annmarie Robertson (2), James Doull (2), Scott Robb (1)

Game 3: South Ayrshire Tigers v Clyde Alba

A fast start for Tigers saw a good hit in from James to Annmarie whose 1st touch took her towards goal but unfortunately it went out of play for a goal kick. Stuart dribbled right up the middle of the park and got through on goal which forced the keeper to rush out to make a well tied tackle. Tigers were trying desperately to find a goal and came close when Annemarie's hit in set up James for a spin shot towards goal but saw his effort blocked which lead to an Alba quick brake but James recovered well to win back the ball. James then went on a full length dribble but keeper blocked his effort, Annmarie followed up on the rebound but again the shot was blocked. James sent a fantastic through ball for Stuart but his effort was saved. James was battling well and seeing a lot of the ball but Alba were defending well making it difficult for the Tigers in the final 3rd. Another chance fell the Tigers way, this time from Annemarie's hit in that James flicked on to the back post that was just inches wide of Stuart's bumper. A fast break had Scott Robb off his line to make a tackle and James cleared the loose ball but right on the half time whistle the ball was pushed over the line from an Alba player against the run of play. Half time Tigers 0-1 Alba.

The second half saw Alba pin the tigers in their own half for the opening few minutes but they couldn't find a way of getting a shot at goal. Tigers started to get themselves back on the front foot and won a corner. Annmarie picked out James with her cross but his effort just went wide. On the 23rd minute Tigers equalised after Annemarie's hit in picked out Stuart who fired the ball into the goal. Tigers were now looking in control and were looking for another goal and won a few hit ins high up in Alba's half. Stuart went on another solo dribble but couldn't quite make the goal. James showed great defending skills ending a dangerous attack. Annmarie then showed off her defending skills as she won her battle from another quick brake. James regained possession for the Tigers in his own box and played a pass into Annmarie before he made a great run up the park which Annmarie returned him the ball but he could only win the Tigers a corner as they searched for that second goal but they had to settle for a draw as the points were shared.

Team, Scott Robb, Stuart Niven, James Doull (c), Annmarie Robertson. Subs, Pauline Paterson, Scott Wood. Goal scorers: Stuart Niven (1)

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Game 4: South Ayrshire Tigers vs Lothian Wolves

Tigers started off on the front foot and piled on the pressure from the first whistle. The first real chance came in the first minute as a hit in from Annmarie, saw Stuart hit a shot just wide. Tigers were goal bound again and won a free kick high up the park, Annmarie fired in the free kick into James who squared the ball to set up Stuart but his effort this time was blocked. Wolves got themselves off on a brake but James soon ended their hopes of a goal with a great tackle. Tigers got off the mark on the 8th minute from an Annmarie free kick that she picked out Stuart, who squared across the box to set up James to make it 1-0. The lead was almost doubled from another Annmarie free kick but this time her shot came off a Wolves player and almost into the path of Stuart who was waiting to pounce on the chance but it just got away from him. On the 13th minute it was 2-0, Annmarie's inch perfect hit into the back post saw Stuart finish off nicely into the goal. In the last minute of the half it was 3 and yet again from another set piece from Annmarie as her hit in was flicked on by James for Stuart to grab his brace. Half time Tigers 3-0 Wolves.

The second half was a rocky start for the Tigers and saw Wolves win a free kick high up the park but their effort was put wide. Scott Robb was then in a 1v1 but he was quick of his line to end their opportunity. Another free kick fell wolves way this time they found the net, only for it to be ruled out as it was indirect, which Scott left for the Tigers to regain possession from their mistake. 21st minute saw Tigers make their first sub with Scott Robb leaving the pitch and being replaced by Scott Wood. Tigers now got back on the ascendance and started playing the way they did in the first half and piled on the pressure once again. Annmarie found James who sent in a pass to the back post which saw Stuart scramble with the defender but the effort went wide. The chances were coming again for the tigers and this time James put in a cross but just too much on it for Annmarie to catch. A nice open play move involving all 3 outfield players with 1st time passes cut open the wolves back line and set up Stuart but his effort just sailed wide of the target. Stuart played in a great weighted ball to James but no end product again for the Tigers. Another move involving all 3 with 1st time passes almost had Annmarie in front of goal as the pressure grew on the Wolves. Last action saw a great accurate ball from James to Stuart from outside the box but Tigers couldn't find a goal in the second half.

Full time: South Ayrshire Tigers 3-0 Lothian Wolves.

Team, Scott Robb, Stuart Niven, James Doull (c), Annmarie Robertson. Subs, Pauline Paterson, Scott Wood, Colby Fleming. Goal scorers: James Doull (1), Stuart Niven (2)

Game 5: South Ayrshire Tigers vs Clyde Caledonia

Tigers were on form once again and dominated this game from the first to the last whistle. The first chance fell to tigers when Annmarie's hit in saw James effort win a corner. 2 minutes gone and James had the Tigers 1-0 up when he got himself on the end of Annmarie's hit in. Clyde got on an attack straight away from centre but Scott Robb watched their effort go wide. Stuart scored on his second attempt from another Annmarie hit in but the ref pulled it back for a free kick and disallowed the goal on the 5th minute. James hit the resulting free kick and Stuart took his chance and doubled the lead for the Ayrshire side as he hit the ball over the line. Stuart stole the ball from the restart and dribbled through the pack and scored to make it 3-0. In the 7th minute saw a team effort goal as they all passed and worked the ball up the park which set James up to fire the ball into the corner out the reach of the keeper. 9th minute, James completed the hat-trick as he got onto the end of Annmarie's hit in. The 6th goal came in the 11th minute with Stuart and James passing

before setting up Annmarie to find the goal. Final attack of the half saw Stuart get his hat-trick. Half time Tigers 7-0 Caledonia.

The second half started off with two tiger's substitutions. Stuart was replaced by debutant, Colby and Scott Robb was replaced by Scott Wood in goals. Annmarie fired in a dangerous free kick that James sent across goal and almost set up Colby for his first goal. James and Colby played a 1-2 then James sent a through ball for Colby to chase but the keeper was quick of the line and cleared the danger. Tigers were playing football in the final third and Annmarie forced an O.G as she fired the ball across the box that the defender hit into the goal for another Tigers goal on 20th minute mark. Pauline then replaced Annmarie to freshen things up. Colby came close but could only win his side a corner. The resulting corner almost saw Colby score again but he just couldn't get the ball over the line. On the 25th minute Tigers had another corner that James delivered and this time Colby did get his goal as he timed his run well to hit the ball over the line. The 26th minute saw Pauline go in goals to give Scott wood a shot out on the wing. 28th Minute saw James beat player by player before setting up Colby for his second and Tigers tenth. Full time South Ayrshire Tigers 10-0 Clyde Caledonia.

Team, Scott Robb, Stuart Niven, James Doull (c), Annmarie Robertson. Subs, Pauline Paterson, Scott Wood, Colby Fleming. Goal scorers: Stuart Niven (3) James Doull (3), Colby Flemming (2) Annmarie Robertson (1), O.G. (1)

Game 6: South Ayrshire Tigers v Tayside Dynamos

A real tough test for Tigers saw them pinned in to their own half for most of the first period. The 1st opportunity fell to Dynamos but Scott Robb cleared the danger. Soon another attack was against the tigers but they done well to recover and force them to play the ball out the park. James did well to win his 1v1 battle, and end another attack. Moments later he found himself in the similar position but came out on top again to keep it goalless. James sent a long ball that got the Tigers off on an attack but the crowded area made it difficult for Annmarie to find room for a shot at goal. Stuart won the ball and tried to dribble through the middle but the defender cleared the ball and gave the tigers a hit in high up the park. Annmarie's hit in almost had James on the score sheet as he fired into the corner but the defender was in the right place to clear. James showed great chair control as he reversed in all directions to defend against an attack and he won the tigers back possession. James went on a great dribble but couldn't find a way through on goal. Half time Tigers 0-0 Dynamos.

The second half saw Dynamos come out strong with 3 quick attempts at the Tigers goal. James and Scott were solid at the back making it impossible for Dynamos to grab a goal. Stuart won the Tigers a hit in high up the park. Annmarie's well hit, hit in saw James flick the ball on into Stuart's path to draw first blood as tigers went 1-0 up. James was attacking well and getting into the final third but no way through on goal this time. A fast break had tigers in a dangers position but James won back the ball in his own box and cleared the ball to safety. Dynamos played a great ball to the back post but the attacker hit wide as Scott Robb watched on. Dynamos came close again but James cleared of the goal line. Tigers showed some great football as all 3 outfield players passed the ball around in the final third but couldn't find a way to goal. The ref played 3 minutes overtime, for reasons unknown which saw more pressure on the tigers as a few corners came Dynamos way but Tigers saw out the game.

Full time: South Ayrshire Tigers 1-0 Tayside Dynamos

Team, Scott Robb, Stuart Niven, James Doull (c), Annmarie Robertson. Subs: Pauline Paterson, Scott Wood, Colby Fleming. Goal scorers: Stuart Niven (1)

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Game 7: South Ayrshire Tigers v Tayside Dynamos

The match was pretty even in the first half however the "Tigers" had few opportunities to score. Nicky from Tayside scored a peach from his brand new strike force from a corner late in the first half. Then in the second half James gave away a penalty which Tayside scored however the "Tigers" were far the better team in the second half.

Full time: South Ayrshire Tigers 2-0 Tayside Dynamos

Team, Scott Robb, Stuart Niven, James Doull (c), Annmarie Robertson. Subs: Pauline Paterson, Scott Wood, Colby Fleming

Game 8: South Ayrshire Tigers v Clyde Alba

Clyde dominated most of the game in the first half and scored 3 goals mainly due to bad defending by the "Tigers". The second half was more even and Colby scored a great goal for us from a hit in the second half due to a great pass by James. However, Clyde scored another goal from a great set play.

Full time: South Ayrshire Tigers 1-4 Clyde Alba

Team, Scott Robb, Stuart Niven, James Doull (c), Annmarie Robertson. Subs: Pauline Paterson, Scott Wood, Colby Fleming

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Game 9: South Ayrshire Tigers v Tayside Dynamos

Tigers struggled to get a flow going and were pinned in their own half. First real danger was dealt well from Pauline as she came out quickly to end the attack. Annmarie barged into her opponent as she tried to win the ball which she saw yellow from the ref. Tigers started to show a bit more confidence and started playing some nice football. The first chance came from the tigers in the 10th minute mark when annmaries hit in found James which led to another hit in from the tigers. Annmarie sent the hit in to the back post for Stuart who set up James but his shot was cleared on the line and annmarie was quick on the rebound to break the deadlock. Tigers were looking positive. Stuart went on a good dribble but a heavy touch sent the ball out the park. Tigers won a free kick from a 2v1 at the edge of the box. Annmarie tried to set up stuart but it was blocked on route. Just before half time both James & Pauline blocked a shot to keep it 1-0. Second half started off as a midfield battle. James was defending really well stopping any danger coming through. A hit in for dynamos came across the tigers box, James stole and drove the length of the park but couldn't find a finish. Dynamos caught tigers on a break, Pauline made a great save turning the ball wide for a corner which allowed the team back in to defend. Pressure grew on the tigers which led to giving away a 2v1 in the final third. James blocked at the back post but soon another attack came their way. This time annmarie won her tackle as she came across to cover. In the middle of the park Stuart won his battle as he ended attack. Tigers came close again this time from James dribbling and playing a pass to annmarie but her shot was blocked. Tigers were now in the front foot and James won a 2v1 up the park but they couldn't punish dynamos. James took one for the team as he made a foul to stop a 1v1 on Pauline and received a yellow. Pauline made a great save from resulting free kick. With one minute left of the second half Annmarie received a Red card as she reversed into the dynamos defender. Tigers were holding their own, James came close after weaving through the opposition and won a hit in high up the park. Dynamos finally got their equaliser 3mins30seconds into injury time.

Full Time: South Ayrshire Tigers 1-1 Tayside Dynamos

Goal scorers: Annmarie Robertson (1)

Team: Pauline Paterson, James Doull, Stuart Niven, Annmarie Robertson.

Game 10 South Ayrshire Tigers vs Glasgow Gladiators

James was battling hard seeing a lot of the ball. The first real opportunity fell for tigers when James' free kick picked out Stuart but his shot from the half spin just went wide. Another free kick for tigers from a 2v1 saw James pick out Stuart who set up James who got the ball over the line after a battle in the 4th minute. James went on a good dribble but his pass was intercepted and an equaliser from the gladiators came in the 5th minute. Tigers were attacking well, James won another free kick from the edge of the box from a 2v1, james' free kick picked out Stuart but he was tackled. Moments later James had another free kick that set up Stuart for a shot but it was blocked. Pauline came quickly off her line to end a 1v1, James came in to cover but Pauline guided the ball out to safety. James dribbled his way through as he attacked towards the goal and won a hit in and almost set stuart up for a spin shot but he couldn't connect. Halftime1-1.

From the restart James dribbled through but his shot just went wide. Stuart showed some skill turning his marker and attacking towards goal. The attacks were coming for tigers. James again dribbled through but forced wide from the defender and couldn't pick out a

pass. Cameron was using the line well getting into good spaces on the attack and recovering well to help with defensive duties. A fast break towards the tigers saw Pauline out to make the save and James tidying up the aftermath. Tigers were back on the attack as James dribbled through and squared the ball to Stuart. His shot was blocked but regained possession and passed to James but his shot was blocked. Pauline was off her line again to end a quick attack with a fine save. Moments later James cleared a shot from the goal line as pressure grew on the tigers. Stuarts well threaded pass sent James towards goal which he finished off nicely with 5 minutes to go. A fast break in the last minute saw the gladiators equalise. Last action of the match saw Cameron come close after James set him up but his shot went inches wide.

Full Time: South Ayrshire Tigers 2-2 Glasgow Gladiators

Goal scorer - James Doull (2)

Team, Pauline Paterson, James Doull, Stuart Niven, Cameron Torrance.

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Game 11: South Ayrshire Tigers vs Glasgow Gladiators

An unsettled start for the Tigers saw them pinned into their own half for the opening minutes of the match, before they took grip of the game. James was battling well in the middle of the park and won his team a 2 on 1 in the Gladiator's half. Tigers came close to score from Colby when James set him up with an accurate pass from the resulting free kick from the 2 on 1 but his effort was blocked on route to goal. James was in on the action again, this time setting up Stuart from a well hit free kick, but the shot was cleared of the goal line and it still remained 0-0. James fired in another well hit free kick, this time in Colby's direction and his effort won the Tigers a corner as the pressure continued on the Gladiators. Gladiators finally had a glimpse of goal, when the Wide player was sent through on goal, but Annmarie was quick off her line, stopping the attacker getting a shot at goal and running the ball out of the park for a goal kick. Another free kick came for Tigers and again James delivered the perfect ball from the half way line to Colby but the shot was once again blocked which saw the last action of the first half.

Tigers came out in the second half with same fire in their belly as the attacking football continued. A hit in from James saw Stuart play a nice accurate pass for Colby but again the effort was saved. Gladiators were on a fast break from a Tigers hit in as the intercepted the pass, but James did well to recover and defend well to regain possession. Another chance fell for the Gladiators which saw Annmarie left in a 1v1 but she came out best as she stopped the danger. James went off on a good solo run from his own half into the Gladiators box and won a free kick but the Tigers still couldn't break the deadlock. James was defending well again braking up another attack towards goal. James came close again after weaving through the pack of players with some nice close dribbling but fired his effort wide of the target. Last chance fell Tigers way when James played a great through ball for Colby but another effort went wide. Full time 0-0

Game 12: South Ayrshire Tigers vs Clyde Alba

Tigers started off on the front foot and James was yet again centre of attention as he weaved through the players before setting up Colby but no end product. Alba soon took control but Tigers were dealing well with the pressure with a good shape making it difficult for the league champions to find a route to goal. Both Annmarie and James found themselves playing deep in their own half but were defending well, coming out best in the final third. Alba intercepted a pass from the Tigers and were through on goal but hit wide to what looked easier to score. Annmarie and James were linking well together getting the ball up the park but the pressure came again as Alba were through 1v1 with Stuart who was now in goals but he was quick off his line to end the chance. A free kick from Alba set up the striker nicely for a clear shot, but James cleared the effort. Tigers were once again caught on a brake and Alba played a nice switch to open up the play but again they couldn't hit the target. Another shot came against the tigers, this time James turned the shot wide for a corner. Just before half time Stuart was off his line to win a tackle to see Tigers go in to the brake at 0-0.

A quick restart saw Tigers come close after James attacked towards the goal. On the 17th minute Tigers went 1-0 down as Alba hit a hit in straight into the goal right in between Stuart and James with perfect accuracy. Tigers responded well with a quick attack and won a corner. Annmarie picked out James who returned with a 1-2 to set up Annmarie but her effort went wide. A good move from Alba split open the Tigers but Stuart made an excellent save. 19 minutes gone and Alba doubled their lead. Tigers were still looking to get back into the game and came close again after James picked out Colby and with a first time hit, he watched his shot just go wide. Play of the day saw Tigers half the deficit on the 23rd minute,

when Annmarie played a great spin pass to James who knocked the ball on to Colby with his back wheel, Colby then returned the pass to James and from distance he showed class with a reverse spin shot in to the far corner. 2-1 and game on! Right from the restart Alba went up the pitch and restored their 2 goal lead. Another attack came from Alba but Stuart made a great save. 28th Minute saw Tigers make their first substitution as Stuart left the pitch and was replaced by Scott Wood. Scott was quickly called into action and made a great save. Full time Tigers 1-3 Alba

Goal Scorer: James Doull (1)

Team: Annmarie Robertson, James Doull, Stuart Niven, Colby Fleming, Scott Robb, Scott Wood