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# EL JUEGO MATINAL

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## The 'Wall' is built again.

By John.

Last week's game was a lot closer than the final result suggests, with John "The Wall" Lilley's team defeating Nacho's Macho Men by **6-0**.

The game was played under intense heat, even though the ground was still quite muddy from the massive rainstorm the night before. We knew it was going to be a tough game, because Nacho admitted that he had not taken neither Mariano nor Victor out the night before, so we had to operate under the assumption that they both would be sober on Sunday morning, and in reasonable shape to play. Perhaps Nacho is taking Olger out every weekend, because our dear '*Yellow Flash*' Olger has slowed down considerably since those early days when it was impossible to stop him.

Another feature of the game was my determination not to let Daniel, Paul or Nacho score on me and to make sure that Ricardo got off to a bad start despite the fact that he had brand new, electric blue and green gloves.

### Fashion on the Pitch:

As for the Nicest shirt of the game, it was a close call. However, Richard's Spain Away Uniform beat Victor's Belgian uniform. Although, did anyone notice those bright, shiny SILVER colored shoes worn by our star **Tony**? This is becoming a fashion show; (It would help if Nacho would stop wearing that ugly Arsenal shirt.)



Camilo: Lead scorer of the Week.

Camilo was the lead scorer with 4 goals. There was one goal in particular that was truly spectacular, where he took a cross in mid-air and volleyed into goal, clearly it is a candidate for ESPN's Top Ten Goals of the week. There was a suggestion that it had to do with his new 'Fashion Look' with the new red and pink sunglasses and all.

After that spectacular goal, will we have to contact his press agent in order to get to play with us on Sunday?



Wendy: Defender of the week:

Wendy once again excelled in defense. Last week she ran circles around Julio, this week she added Antonio to her list of victims. Antonio did score an excellent goal, but still found himself on the losing side of many tackles when faced with our cyclops star Wendy. She also recovered well from the rough shove she got from a certain goalkeeper after the first goal...(Yes we all saw that, Ricardo....)



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"I'm gonna make you cry, baby..."

It seems that Daniel is a bit down on his luck these days, maybe his lack of confidence in front of goal. In previous occasions he would brag that he would score on me, but this time, in front of an open goal, he lobbed the ball well over the bar. There was no one around him. Maybe its guilt associated with a previous injury on another player, maybe its fear of the goalkeeper, or simply: he is just getting old...



## The Play of the Game:

Not many of you may have seen this, and few of you will actually believe it happened, but I was a witness to the play of the game. Nacho was disputing the ball with Mariano on the end line near my goal, and somehow, maybe by mistake, Nacho flicked the ball, then back heeled it, twisted and turned and left Mariano behind. We think this is the first time Nacho (or anyone for that matter) has actually gotten past Mariano in the past year. Of course, Mariano did not say whether he actually allowed it to happen, or whether he was so shocked he didn't even react.

## The Shot of the Game:

Apparently, Paul (little Paul) tried to take over from Juan el Betico in terms of the nuclear powered shots on goal, however his best shot was the one that sailed some 5,000 feet over my goal, and in fact hit a taxi on Julio Acosta Road (formally known as "Tanjung Rhuroad", though the Singapore authorities don't know that yet). Fortunately, neither the ball, nor the taxi, were injured in the collision.

## Correction:

The editors of this publication would like to apologize to Nacho for having incorrectly identified him as the one behind all the theatrics behind the very unfair penalty kick the week before. Nacho claims he wasn't even there, and he did not call for the penalty. Still, we believe (despite the apology) that

1. Nacho was somehow involved,
2. It was NOT a penalty.
3. He should have his hand phone taken away so that he can stop SMS-ing Richard B about the penalty.

## When we said: "Hola en 'Ola'"

And Before we forget... it was great to see you people on Friday night at Ola in Chijmes. Hopefully we can do this more often, assuming of course Mariano does not get so drunk and dances on the tables (again). The highlights included the HUGE amount of food that Wendy consumed (we have pictures, Wendy, so don't try to deny it), Don Julio's political discourse that also included a reclining massage chair that he wants to buy, and Richard, who actually behaved and seemed very entertained with 'his Spanish teacher'.



*Si Richard, todos te creemos. Eres un estudiante muy serio.*

And Nacho, who tried to convince us all that he had Irish ancestors because he can smoke and drink and sing as much as they can.

