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A True Sunday Classic – 3-0 in the Rain...



One of the highest quality games in the history of the Sunday football game was played at Bishan park last Sunday, with an unusually low scoreline (for us), 1-0 at half time, and 3-0 at full time. There were clouds in the first half, and the rain came down in the second half, which ensured that no player suffered a heat stroke or a sun stroke, as was the case last week. Even **Felipe** who collapsed after 20 minutes last week, managed to play a full game, even if his shoes basically fell apart during the game.

Despite efforts by **Marcelo** to once again fix the teams in his favor by changing his shirt depending on which side was stronger, it turned out that both teams were surprisingly balanced, with two of the three defining goals for the white team coming from our Dutch import, **Louis van PSV**.

The teams:

Real Madrid White: Louis van PSV, Sergio Passarella, Sergio Mexico, Alejandro, Eduardo and Raimundo.

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Racing of Argentina: Marcelo the hammer, Patron the Bermudez, walking Paul, No-shoes Felipe, Attorney General Gerardo and Phil Macho Camacho.

The first half was characterized by good passing, and good back and forth plays by both teams. The colored team (Racing) had a surprisingly quiet **Marcelo the hammer** playing full time goalkeeper in the first half, but in the second half he seemed to have gotten bored and went on the attack.



The Uruguayan powerhouse returns to the game.....

It was also great to see the great **Alejandro Van Basten** playing again, after he was away on business for several weeks at the venerable Orchard Towers. He played a solid game (I think he scored the third goal), and managed to exchange a few nice fouls with Marcelo, with **Marcelo the hammer** not surprisingly claiming that "I didn't touch him", "I really didn't touch him"

My spies also told me that **Alejandro** wants to introduce a few new rules into the game, such as allowing him to use his hands to deflect the ball or to block a sure goal. Marcelo suggested that maybe he should start looking at Volleyball as an alternative sport if we wishes to continue using his hands during the game.

Although we hate to admit it, **Raimundo** also had a very good game, it seems that now that he announced that he was moving to London he has improved his game significantly, maybe so we remember his good plays only, and not his usual crazy shots that go flying off into nowhere (in the old days, they flew into the jungle behind the goal, now they fly into the CTE).

Admittedly **Raimundo** had a fan club supporting him this time from the sidelines, and he had to show his daughters that Dad does actually know how to play football.





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The game was characterized by several good defensive plays, including several players spending most of the time standing in front of goal.

In this case (*picture to the right*)

Marcelo's dramatic clearance with Paul watching (as usual) and

Macho Camacho standing in goal...though as we all know,

Macho Camacho does actually run the whole time, and he doesn't usually spend much time in goal.







Another rather interesting part of the game was the curious dance captured by the photographer, of our friends **Patron** (dark blue) and **Sergio Passarella** (white), who engaged in this rhythmic step dance once they were unable to find the ball.

Both **Patron and Sergio** had quiet games by their standards, but we are sure that if they were to leave Orchard Towers before 5 am they would be in a lot better shape to play the Sunday game.

In the picture to the left..can any one believe that Marcelo missed that open goal shot? Clearly Sergio Mexico believes so, because he is already laughing in the background at Marcelo's easy miss (and it was Marcelo who told me that I had to take more "action" pictures...).

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...And we can never forget, thanks for the legions of fans (Gerardo fan club on the left) who came to admire the great Sunday game., it was just like the good old days, when the Sunday game was a family event.





As a final note thanks to Macho Camacho for providing ice cream for the children (including the editor) prior to the game...we appreciate it....See you next Sunday!



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