

Valletta jirreġistraw rebħa kbira ta' 6-0 fuq Floriana

minn **Tonio Farrugia**

Ir-Sitt Ġurnata

09-12-1962:

St. George's FC – Rabat FC 3-0

H.T.: 1-0

Ref: Pawlu Bonnett

Skurjaw: S. Scicluna (S) 43', N. Mizzi (S) 65' u E. Mizzi (S) 79'.

St. George's FC: Pawlu Nappa, Kar-menu Frendo, Joe Brincat, Leonard Mizzi, Peppi Delceppo, Freddie Delia, Victor Brincat, Nenu 'Il-Beċċun' Mizzi, Eddie 'Il-Bagaga' Mizzi, Salvu 'Scotch' Scicluna, Wally Hili.

Rabat FC: Charles 'Kastru' Zerafa, Joe Bugeja, Joe Grech, Anthony 'Il-Legdi' Azzopardi, Pawlu 'Polly' Carbonaro, Twanny 'Tal-Manager' Vassallo, Vince 'Tal-Manager' Vassallo, Charles Zammit, Charles Nappa (John Sapiano 46'), George 'Ta' Gulinu' Tonna, Albert Castillo.

1. Twanny Vassallo ta' Rabat FC falla draw meta fil-61 minuta laqat il-wieqfa minn penalty.
2. Fi tmiem din il-ġimgha ntlagħbet partita wahda biss mill-Ewwel Diviżjoni minħabba li ġurnata qabel kien hemm il-partita internazzjonali bejn Malta u d-Danimarka (1-3).

15-12-1962:

Sliema Wdrs. FC – Hamrun Sp. FC 1-0

H.T.: 1-0

Ref: Joe M. Cassar Naudi

Skorja: J. Cini (S) 3'.

Sliema Wdrs. FC: Freddie Debono (Ray Cosby 58'), Ġużi 'Geddumu' Bonnici, Joe Aquilina, Charlie 'Il-Kiskisell' Spiteri, Salvu Bonnici, Robbie Buttigieg, Leli 'Tal-Fjuri' Micallef, Peter Fitzgerald (Alfred Pisani 46'), Joe Cini, Edward Aquilina, Sammy Nicholl.

Hamrun Sp. FC: Vince Tedesco, Martin Attard, Freddie 'Ix-Xibby' Sciberras, George Jones, Carmelo 'In-Nene' Grech, George Cuschieri, Ġużi 'Ir-Rumba' Dimech, Albert Calleja (Gejtu Briffa 61'), Freddie 'It-Tirjule' Borg, Twanny 'Il-Ginger' Cassar, George Micallef.

1. Il-president Mike Tonna, it-teżorier Car-

mel Vassallo u l-players George Tonna u Vince Vassallo kollha ta' Rabat FC spiċċaw l-isptar meta l-karozza li kienu fiha kienet involuta faċċident tat-traffiku. Huma kienu fi triqthom lejn l-Empire Stadium fil-Gżira sabiex isegwu l-partita tal-kampjonat bejn Sliema Wdrs. FC – Hamrun Sp. FC. B'konsegwenza ta' dan l-aċċident, ġurnata wara Rabat FC irnexxielhom jghaqqdu biss 10 players għall-partita mill-kampjonat tal-Under 21 kontra St. George's. Minkejja kollox huma xorta kisbu draw ta' 2-2.

2. Il-goalkeeper Ray Cosby irritorna għall-football tal-Ewwel Diviżjoni wara nuqqas ta' sena meta fit-58 minuta huwa dahal minflok il-goalkeeper Freddie Debono li wegġa' imniehru f'incident fil-penalty area tal-Wanderers. L-aħħar dehra ta' Cosby kienet fit-2 ta' Diċembru 1961 fit-telfa ta' 2-0 tal-Wanderers kontra Floriana.

16-12-1962:

Hibernians FC – Birkirkara FC 3-0

H.T.: 2-0

Ref: Ritchie Casha

Skurjaw: V. Cassar (H) 17', L. Sultana (H) 32' u V. Cassar (H) 67'.

Hibernians FC: Freddie 'Il-Pampalun' Mizzi, Johnnie 'Il-Ġemel' Privitera, Salvu 'Karettuni' Gatt, Johnnie Attard, Leli 'L-Ghawdxi' Attard, Louis Theobald, Eddie Sultana, Eddie 'L-Ghasfur' Theobald, Victor 'Il-Palun' Cassar, Frans 'In-Naghġa' Xuereb (Joe 'Il-Moru' Ebejer 55'), Joe 'Il-Felli' Ciantar.

Birkirkara FC: Joe Garrett, Carmelo

Micallef, Pawlu Barbara, Leli Pace, Leli 'Id-Diju' Borg, George Dalli, Leli Theuma, Leli Tonna, Toni Caruana, Wally Dimech Debono, Neville Chappelle (Carmelo Galea 46').

22-12-1962:

Valletta FC – Floriana FC 6-0

H.T.: 2-0

Ref: Tommy Restall

Skurjaw: J. Urpani (V) 25', M. Azzopardi (V) 32' u 73', J. Urpani (V) 85', J. Zammit (V) 88' u M. Azzopardi (V) 89'.

Valletta FC: Tommy Taylor, Walter Bone, Edwin 'Dwinu' Schembri, Charlie Williams, Joe 'Il-Parsottu' Cilia, Frankie Zammit, Joe 'Il-Ginger' Zammit, Josie Urpani, Mario Azzopardi, Tony Calleja, Alfred 'Il-Waniż' Borg.

Floriana FC: Charlie Fabri, Lolly Debatista, Nenu 'Wiżza' Mackay, Joe Grima, Edward Azzopardi, Freddie Vella James, Lolly Borg, Tony Griffiths, Louis Bugeja, Charlie 'In-Najsu' Bennetti, Pullu 'Il-Koku' Demanuele.

1. Tliet minuti mit-tmiem Joe Zammit falla milli jiskorja penalty għal Valletta. Madankollu Valletta xorta wahda ziedu l-iskor meta fit-tliet minuti li kien fadal skurjaw darbtejn oħra sabiex kisbu l-ikbar rebħa fuq ir-rivali tagħhom Floriana. Joe Zammit kien qed jilgħab għall-ewwel darba ma' Valletta f'dan il-kampjonat wara li kien kważi nġhaqad ma' Sliema Wanderers.
2. Debutt li jridu jinsew malajr għal Tony Griffiths u l-attakkant Louis Bugeja,



Tony Cauchi fl-azzjoni għal Floriana



Frankie Zammit fl-azzjoni ghal Valletta

iż-żewġ players godda li Floriana akkwistaw minghand Sliema Wdrs. FC u Birkirkara FC rispettivament. Floriana hallsu lil Birkirkara £620 ta' Louis Bugeja filwaqt li Griffiths kien sehibhom fuq free transfer wara talba tal-istess player lill-club tal-Wanderers minhabba li ma mnexxielux jikseb post mal-ewwel hdax.

- Floriana FC niżlu ghal din il-partita minghajr l-attakkanti regolari taghhom Billy Dalli u Tony Cauchi.
- Mario Azzopardi skorja sitt goals f'dawn l-aħħar żewġ logħbiet tal-kampjonat ta' Valletta. Barra minn hekk fi friendly li Valletta lagħbu fost il-ġimgħa kontra r-Royal Air Force (RAF), Mario Azzopardi kien ghal darb'ohra protagonista meta skorja t-tliet goals Beltin fir-rebha ta' 3-1.

Klassifika: Sliema Wdrs. FC 10 pti.; Valletta FC 9 pti.; Hibernians 8 pti.; Floriana FC 7 pti.; St. George's FC 6 pti.; Hamrun Sp. FC 5 pti.; Rabat FC 2 pti.; Birkirkara FC 1 pt.

L-Aqwa Skorers: M. Azzopardi (Valletta FC) 9 goals; T. Cauchi (Floriana FC); V. Cassar (Hibernians FC) 5 goals; B. Dalli (Floriana FC) L. Sultana (Hibernians FC) u J. Urpani (Valletta FC) 4 goals.

It-Seba' Ġurnata

23-12-1962:

Hibernians FC – Hamrun Sp. FC 4-2

H.T.: 2-0

Ref: Ritchie Casha

Skurjaw: o.g R. Armeni (Hibs) 4', E.

Theobald (Hibs) 39', T. Cassar (Ham) 47' u 62', V. Cassar (Hibs) 64' u E. Theobald (Hibs) 84'.

Hibernians FC: Freddie 'Il-Pampalun' Mizzi, Johnnie 'Il-Ġemel' Privitera, Salvu 'Karettoni' Gatt, Johnnie Attard, Leli 'L-Ghawdx' Attard, Louis Theobald, Leli Sultana, Victor 'Il-Palun' Cassar, Jimmy Mizzi, Eddie 'L-Ghasfur' Theobald, Joe

'Il-Felli' Ciantar.

Hamrun Sp. FC: George Sciberras, Ronnie Armeni, Freddie 'Ix-Xibby' Sciberras, Martin Attard, John Fondacaro, George Cuschieri, Ġużi 'Ir-Rumba' Dimech, Twanny 'Il-Ginger' Cassar, Carmelo 'In-Nene' Grech, Edward Spiteri (Gejtu Briffa), George Micallef.

05-01-1963:

Sliema Wdrs. FC – Birkirkara FC 2-1

H.T.: 2-1

Ref: Joseph Agius

Skurjaw: J. Cini (S) 14, R. Buttigieg (S) 25' u L. Tonna (B) 40'.

Sliema Wdrs. FC: Freddie Debono, Ġużi 'Geddumu' Bonnici, Joe Aquilina, Lino 'Il-Fus' Falzon, Salvu Bonnici, Robbie Buttigieg, Ronnie Cocks, Charlie 'Il-Kiskisell' Spiteri, Joe Cini, Edward Aquilina, Sammy Nicholl.

Birkirkara FC: Peter Galea, Carmelo Micallef, Leli 'Id-Diju' Borg, Leli Pace, John Camilleri, George Dalli, Charlie 'Il-Gidi' Zammit, Leli Tonna, Toni Caruana, Wally Dimech Debono, Pawlu Barbara.

- Ronnie Cocks u Lino Falzon iddebuttaw ma' Sliema Wdrs. Cocks ġie akkwistat minghand Gżira United filwaqt li Lino Falzon ġie akkwistat minghand Mosta FC.

06-01-1963:

Floriana FC – St. George's FC 1-1

H.T.: 1-1

Ref: Turu Lentini

Skurjaw: T. Cauchi (F) 24' u E. Mizzi (S) 31'.

Floriana FC: Charlie Fabri (Salvu Alamango 46'), Lolly Debattista, Jimmy Farrugia, Joe Grima, Edward Azzopardi, Freddie Vella James, Twanny Sultana, Louis Bugeja (Wistin Mallia), Tony 'Il-Majsi' Cauchi, Lolly Borg, Pullu 'Il-Koku' Demanuele.

St. George's FC: Pawlu Nappa, Kar-menu Frendo, Joe Brincat, Freddie Delia, Leonard Mizzi, Peppi Delceppo, Victor Brincat, Nenu 'Il-Beċċun' Mizzi, Eddie 'Il-Bagaga' Mizzi, Salvu 'Scotch' Scicluna

(Freddie Wilson), Wally Hili (Franz Buttigieg).

12-01-1963:

Valletta FC – Rabat FC 5-2

H.T.: 4-1

Ref: Carmel Galea

Skurjaw: T. Calleja (V) 4', M. Azzopardi (V) 15', G. Tonna (R) 17', J. Zammit (V) pen. 19', J. Urpani (V) 39', L. Gauci (R) 60', P. Gauci (V) 70'.

Valletta FC: Tommy Taylor, Walter Bone, Edwin 'Dwinu' Schembri, Charlie Williams, Joe 'Il-Parsottu' Cilia, Frankie Zammit, Joe 'Il-Ginger' Zammit (Pawlu 'Lc-Corma' Gauci 57'), Josie Urpani, Mario Azzopardi, Tony Calleja, Freddie 'Il-Wani' Borg.

Rabat FC: Charles 'Kastru' Zerafa, Joe Bugeja, Joe Grech, Twanny 'Tal-Manager' Vassallo, Charles Nappa (John Sapiano 15'), Johnnie 'Iz-Zikizokk' Azzopardi, Fredu Church, Charles Zammit, Nenu Chircop, George 'Ta' Ġulinu' Tonna (Lino Gauci 46'), Vince 'Tal-Manager' Vassallo.

- Fil-50 minuta, Joe Zammit inkariga ruħu minn penalty iehor favur Valletta iżda falla meta ra lill-goalkeeper Zerafa jsalvalu x-xutt tiegħu. Iż-żewġ penalties favur Valletta, it-tnejn ingħataw għall-hands ball ta' Johnnie Azzopardi.
- Wara karriera ta' 15-il sena ma' Hibernians FC, Fredu Church iddebutta ma' Rabat.
- Player iehor li kien qed jiddebutta mal-Magpies kien Nenu Chircop. Fil-fatt Rabat FC u Valletta FC kienu laħqu ftehim biex jibdlu lill-players Nenu Chircop u Pawlu Carbonaro. Dan tal-aħħar kien diġà lagħab ma' Valletta fl-istagun li għadda.
- Għal darb'ohra il-gazzetti tal-epoka kienu konfużi fir-rappurtagg taghhom fejn jidhol isem ir-referee li kkontrolla l-partita. Skond 'The Voice of Malta' u 'It-Torċa', ir-referee li kkontrolla l-partita kien J. F. Galea (Joseph Francis Xavier Galea) u 'The Times of Malta' u 'Il-Berqa' niżżlu lil C. Galea (Carmel Galea).
- Valletta FC mill-ġdid kienu taħt il-gwida tal-ex-player u ex-coach taghhom Karm Borg wara li dan irriżenja mill-kariga ta' coach tat-team nazzjonali ftit granet wara t-telfa mad-Danimarka.

Klassifika: Sliema Wdrs. FC 12-il pt.; Valletta FC 11-il pt.; Hibernians FC 10 pti.; Floriana FC 8 pti.; St. George's 7 pti.; Hamrun Sp. FC 5 pti.; Rabat FC 2 pti.; Birkirkara FC 1 pt.

L-Aqwa Skorers: M. Azzopardi (Valletta FC) 10 goals; T. Cauchi (Floriana FC) u V. Cassar (Hibernians FC) 6 goals; J. Urpani (Valletta FC) 5 goals; B. Dalli (Floriana FC), L. Sultana (Hibernians FC), E. Mizzi (St. George's FC) u J. Cini (Sliema Wdrs. FC) 4 goals.