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A Trip Down The A1

Today we visit Letchworth in what will be Game 9 for both clubs. Both teams have started the season well with two young teams Letchworth currently sit 3rd with 18 points, Peterborough are 4th on the same total.

Peterborough are unbeaten in their last five Premier League games and unbeaten away from home so far this season Letchworth lost their previous game to ECU by the score of 4-3 and will be motivated not to lose two on the bounce.

Arran Hall will be making his Premier League debut tonight with Tyler Salmon missing out Arran spent last season playing in the Bundesliga for Walsum.

Today will be the first time this season that the Blues will be playing in a new colour chosen by the players and sponsored by Carter Engineering Supplies that colour is....
PINK!



The replay for this game will be available on our YouTube channel @PeterboroughRHC66



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Premier League

STANDINGS		Simple	Detailed	2023 - 2024	Premier League				
#		P	W	D	L	F	A	±	PTS
1	Soham RHC	8	7	0	1	65	21	44	21
2	Kings Lynn RHC	7	6	0	1	67	20	47	18
3	Letchworth RHC	8	6	0	2	45	23	22	18
4	Peterborough RHC	8	6	0	2	50	29	21	18
5	RHC Invicta	8	5	1	2	51	29	22	16
6	Ely & Chesterton United RHC	8	4	0	4	45	40	5	12
7	Herne Bay United RHC	6	3	1	2	36	31	5	10
8	Manchester RSC	8	3	0	5	37	50	-13	9
9	Middlesbrough RHC	8	2	1	5	35	42	-7	7
10	Herne Bay RHC	8	1	1	6	31	58	-27	4
11	Plymouth RHC	7	1	0	6	26	88	-62	3
12	Grimsby RHC	8	0	0	8	20	77	-57	0

Last Time Out

Premier League

20/01/24 | 17:30 | Bushfield Leisure Centre

Peterborough RHC - Senior

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P2: 4 - 2
P1: 1 - 2

Manchester RSC - Senior

Match Officials: Steve Taylor , Andrew Kneeshaw

Fixtures

☆ 03/02/24 14:15	Grimsby RHC	vs	RHC Invicta - Senior	Grimsby Leisure Centre
☆ 03/02/24 17:00	Middlesbrough RHC - Senior	vs	Soham RHC - Senior	Middlesbrough Sports Village
☆ 03/02/24 18:00	Letchworth RHC	vs	Peterborough RHC - Senior	North Herts Leisure Centre
☆ 03/02/24 19:15	Ely & Chesterton United RHC - Senior	vs	Kings Lynn RHC - Senior	Ross Peers Sports Centre
☆ 03/02/24 19:45	Herne Bay United RHC - Senior	vs	Manchester RSC - Senior	Bay Sports Arena
☆ 04/02/24 10:00	Herne Bay RHC - Senior	vs	Plymouth RHC - Senior	Bay Sports Arena

Letchworth RHC



Louie Allen (GK)

Sasha Aitkin

Nick Flint

Lily-Rose Chandler

Charlie Sharp

Marco Giancola

Ben Allard

Mackenzie Allen

Ollie Marshall

Oli Sabatini-Stockford

Reiff Hayward (GK)

Coach: Nigel Allen

Peterborough RHC



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| 1. Anthony Williams (GK) | 6. Harry Hillam |
| 2. James Berry | 11. Thomas Hillam |
| 3. Jake Reed | 15. Luca Oakley |
| 4. Joshua Aaltonen | 10. Arran Hall (GK) |
| 5. Michael Carter (C) | |

Coach: Arthur Corr



Match Report - Premier League Phase 1 – Peterborough versus Manchester - 20th January 2024

Match Report by Terry Oakley

Premier League – Phase 1

Peterborough versus Manchester

Referees:- Steve Taylor and Andrew Kneeshaw

20th January 2024 at Bushfield's Leisure Centre, Peterborough

Peterborough Squad

1 Anthony Williams (Goalkeeper)
2 James Berry
3 Jake Reed
4 Josh Altonen
5 Michael Carter (Captain)
6 Harry Hillam
15 Luca Oakley
11 Tom Hillam
10 Tyler Salmon (Goalkeeper) - played whole game
22 Thomas Semilore

Manchester Squad

1 Soleyman Toure (Goalkeeper)
5 Damaras Gordon (Captain)
20 Reuben Owen-Harris
28 Llorenc Gaggioli
33 Mito Carter
53 Ricardo Concepcion
66 Isaac Derwent-Black

The match started out tentatively with both teams looking to see how their opponents were set up for this contest. Goal scoring opportunities started to be created and this saw Manchester take advantage of loose marking in the Peterborough defence, on two occasions, for goals to be scored by Reuben Owen-Harris and Damaras Gordon.

Peterborough 0 Manchester 2

Peterborough were struggling to find their rhythm but just before halftime a quick break by Michael Carter and Jake Reed saw the ball played wide to Jake who struck an accurate slapshot into the net from an acute angle.

Peterborough 1 Manchester 2

Half Time :- Peterborough 1 Manchester 2

Early in the second half Peterborough drew level. The Team Fouls count had reached 10 against Manchester and a direct hit awarded. Jake Reed stepped up and smashed his shot into the roof of the net.

Peterborough 2 Manchester 2

Loose marking, again, in the Peterborough defence allowed Damaras Gordon to calmly venture forward and flick his shot from 10 yards out into the net.

Peterborough 2 Manchester 3

Play continued to be end to end but Manchester found the next breakthrough. The ball was worked through to Ricardo Concepcion about 8 yards out from goal and he hit a fine slapshot past the unsuspected Peterborough goalkeeper.

Peterborough 2 Manchester 4

The next action saw a key moment in this game. Having gone 4-2 down with 7 minutes left on the clock, Peterborough responded immediately with a fine move involving James Berry and Jake Reed. James worked the ball across the face of the Manchester goal and Jake cleverly lifted the ball into the net for his hatrick.

Peterborough 3 Manchester 4

This third goal for Peterborough visually lifted the team. A move behind the Manchester goal involving Jake Reed and Michael Carter developed at speed to allow Michael to cleverly lift the ball into the air and place his shot into the net as he emerged from behind the goal.

Peterborough 4 Manchester 4

Unfortunately, for Manchester, they conceded another pointless team foul which took the count for the match to 15 and the resultant direct hit was smashed home by Michael Carter to the relief of the Peterborough supporters.

Peterborough 5 Manchester 4

Full Time:- Peterborough 5 Manchester 4

Summary of goal scorers:-

Peterborough
3 Jake Reed
2 Michael Carter

Manchester
2 Damaras Gordon
1 Reuben Owen-Harris
1 Ricardo Concepcion

Arthur Corr's (Peterborough Coach) Man of the Match:- **Michael Carter** - a real Captain's Performance. Rolled his sleeves up at 4-2 down and led by example to lift his team mates to victory.

This game marked the best attended home Premier League game of the season. Some new faces were there for the first time and it seems our recent coverage with Peterborough Community Radio has raised the curiosity, in the Peterborough area, of what Roller Hockey is all about.

Manchester's Game Plan worked for 43 minutes of this match. However, 15 team fouls finally caught up with them and as result Peterborough took full advantage by converting the resultant direct hits.

Manchester certainly showed that they were "up for this game" as they worked tirelessly in harassing and quickly shutting down the space that Peterborough were hoping to exploit.

With 7 minutes left on the clock Peterborough were down 4 goals to 2. However, what was reassuring to see was they were prepared to battle their way back into the match and finally emerge as victors in the end.

Full marks to the Manchester Coach, Dan Messenger, who cleverly used his in-depth knowledge of the Peterborough Team (his daughter, Lily, played in Peterborough's Premier Team last season) by coming up with a Plan that almost delivered the result he was hoping for.

A special mention to the oldest player on the rink, Damaras Gordon. He was telling me before the match started that he was now considered to be a veteran player as his birthday was last week and he is now 35 years of age. Well, as captain of Manchester in this match he led by example and played an outstanding game by scoring two goals and winning almost every tackle he went in for to belie his veteran status!

On the balance of play Manchester definitely deserved to get something from this match but as with all sports they can be cruel at times in not delivering the rewards for your efforts.

To the watching supporters of both Teams this was a match full of excitement with a grandstand finish that kept everybody on their toes right up to the final whistle.

Both referees did their best in keeping the match flowing with several "on the move team fouls" being awarded.

Arthur Corr (the Peterborough Coach) in particular, was delighted to see two visitors attend a Peterborough match for many, many years. They were ex.player Peter Johnson (who Arthur had not seen for 40 odd years and who played a starring role in the 1975 film, Rollerball, starring James Caan) and ex.President John Miller.

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