



POLYTECHNIC 8 2016/17 SEASON SUMMARY





SEASON OVERVIEW

■ CHANGES IN THE TEAM

After a mid table finish in the 2016/17 season and lots in stake due to the 9s pushing to become the new 8s everyone was determined to have a good year . The year had a slow start with 3 defeats and 1 win indicating that this was not going to be an easy season which ended in a 3-6-9 record leading to the teams relegation. The team had the 3rd best defence of the league but the worst attack hence the 6 (most that any other team) draws.

■ LEAGUE and 2 CUPS

	P	W	D	L	F	A
League	18	3	6	9	27	37
AFA Cup	1	0	0	1	2	3
League Cup	2	1	0	1	0	5
TOTAL PLAYED	21	4	6	11	29	45

We entered 3 competitions this season - League in Division 4, AFA cup and League cup. Our performance was poor in the season. In total we played 21 games across 3 competitions, 4 won, 6 drew and 11 lost with a score 29:45.



COMMITTMENT

Name	Played	Goals	%
Holecek, Petr	21	1	100%
Mohab, Gustavo	20	1	95%
Felipe, Celso	19	1	90%
Mohammadi, Arash	19	3	90%
Drakatos, Nickos	18	4	86%
Giannopoulos, Miltiadis	17		81%
Szlavik, Istvan	16		76%
Radosevic, Tin	15	3	71%
Karydis, Dimitris	15	3	71%
Galuska, Michal	14	3	67%
Connellan, Stephen	13		62%
Weston, Phil	11		52%
Patterson, Rhykiem	6		29%
Backx, David	4	1	19%
Rhooms, Maiesh	4		19%
HARNEY, SEAN	3		14%
Ingle, Cameron	2		10%
Masenya, Les	2		10%

Name	Played	Goals	%
Bakali, Rachid	4		19%
Dimitrov, Stefan	4	4	19%
Methodi Adirkov	3	2	14%
Carrington, Dewayne	3		14%
TARLOWSKI, STEFAN	3	1	14%
Akdeniz, Zeki	2	1	10%
Darlow, Andrew	2		10%
Dunne, Sean	2		10%
Koya, Rajiv	2		10%
BOLTON, LEE	1		5%
Bishop, Wesley	1		5%
Casswell, Tom	1		5%
Crawford, Jonathan	1		5%
Crowley, Jack	1	1	5%
Gallagher, Eoghan	1		5%
Jakubowski, Patrick	1		5%
Mann, Ashley	1		5%
mildren, patrick	1		5%

Polytechnic 8s had 18 “exclusive” players , of which 12 had more than 50% attendance . The team core was around 9 people (above 70% attendance) with Petr having a 100% commitment. The team regular’s scored 20 out of the 29 goals of the season.

Also the 8s used 18 players from other teams in the season!



GOALKEEPER



Polytechnic 8s' regular goalkeeper was **Miltiadis** (also team manager for the year) played 17 out of 21 games, conceded 30 goals. Not his best season after leaving many promises from last year's performance but still had a solid year .



DEFENSE



Poly 8s defence for most of the year consisted of Petr – Steven – Istvan and Gustavo or Tin . Gustavo started this year as full back winning the position of Tin who made a strong come back and even scored 3 goals making the managers choice difficult on how to fit both players in the squad . Gradually Gustavo moved in as a winger (and scored a magnificent goal from a corner kick). Steven was a new face to team and found his place next to Peter very quickly. Poly's defence was the 3rd best in the league showing all the good work put into it.



MIDFIELD



Our two iconic midfielders , Nikos and Dimitris (photos used from prior years so we can remember they were once young and could run) had a pretty productive season with a total of 8 goals and plenty of assists. Nik had one of his best seasons with Poly and Dimitris was always there to support and quietly (#not) guide him and the team .Lets see what the new season holds for these two, although some (undisclosed) teams have asked for them. While Dimitris was called back to Greece to cover for Panathinaikos FC , the team signed up Phil Weston aka the man that doesn't stop running , to buddy up with Nikos. Phil had a solid second round , missed a few shots , managed not to get sent off and was always all around the pitch. We hope to see more of him next year as well !



WINGS



For most of the season our wings were covered by Arash and Gustavo. Both quick and capable players to break the oppositions defence and try to create some chances for Poly . Not a very productive one though , especially since Arash didn't play upfront but still managed to score 3 goals. Gustavo is already in the far east trying out his luck . Apart from these two magnificent guys , our Brazilian star Celso gave his own battles in the wings and scored 1 goal this season. Always put up a good fight and sometimes his Brazilian passion came out a bit more , but you can always rely on him to help out especially defensively (although for future notice not as full back).



STRIKERS



For the most part of season Michal was our striker (although no photo documents exist to support that hence the “?”) . Michal scored 3 goals this season and was paired with either Arash or players from other Poly sides (e.g Stefan) but again in line with the overall team performance offence didn't have a good year .



HIGHLIGHTS

- **HIGHEST VICTORIES**

- **5-0 against HSBC**

- **REMARKABLE PERFORMANCES**

- **Cup game against Poly 7s with 9 players**
- **SAL cup win in penalty shoot out**
- **Tin's goal against Ibis Eagles**
- **Gustavo's corner Kick goal**
- **Nicks Civil Service goal**
- **Dimitris last minute penalty which he won , scored and equalised against Kew**
- **Dimitris assist to Arash after dribbling half the Old Wilsonian team**



AWARDS

- **PLAYER OF THE YEAR: Nickos Drakatos**

Nikos was awarded this years top player award. He scored 4 goals and was buzzing around midfield helping out and winning battles. The team hopes to see another good year from its number 7 .

- **PLAYER OF THE YEAR RUNNER-UP: Petr Holecek**

A name that is often in the awards and a long term committed player for the 8s, Petr's effort and skill is yet once more recognised by his teammates

- **MANAGER'S PLAYER: Tin Radosevic**

Tin started the season from the bench and came back stronger ! He worked his way back with discipline and effort and produced 3 goals one of them being a highlight of the season

- **MANAGER'S PLAYER RUNNER-UP: Phil Weston**

Phil came to help us out mid season and was always there for the team, going the extra mile even if his stomach wasn't up to it sometimes



AWARDS

- **MOST COMMITTED PLAYER: Petr Holecek**

The former manager of the 8s and longest living player of the 8s was for another year yet most committed to the team . Played all 21 games and scoring one goal Petr is a vital team member.

- **MOST IMPROVED PLAYER: Tin Radosevic**

Tin came from the bench and became a very important player for the team with excellent performance and 3 goals .

- **BEST NEWCOMER: Steven Connellan**

- **TOP GOALSCORER: Nickos Drakatos**

- **GOAL OF THE SEASON: Nikos Drakatos**



LAST WORDS FROM THE MANAGER



Firstly I would like to thank you for being part of Poly 8s this year . It has been a rough one but that how a team bonds. Hope 17/18 brings more success for the team and find us holding a championship and cup.