

## England : Ireland

Pool A

12 April 2006

Start Time: 18:00

### 5 ENGLAND

Richard MANTELL (PC)	23:01
Richard MANTELL (PC)	28:25
Ben HAWES (PS)	48:24
Richard MANTELL (PC)	54:10
Richard MANTELL (PC)	58:45

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John JERMYN (PC)	24:28
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Time	Commentary
70:00	End of match. While ENG was the better team and won deservedly, the score line is deceiving as they were not this much better. IRL had a very good first half but faded fast in the second half, yet ENG did not score one goal from open play. Man of the match is clearly Richard MANTELL who almost single-handedly took ENG to today`s victory.
68:39	Another MANTELL shot is saved well by RUDDLE.
68:07	PC for ENG.
67:21	Yellow card for Justin SHERRIFF for rough play.
67:03	The ball is not stopped properly and the opportunity is lost.
65:48	PC for IRL.
64:48	Green card for Paddy BROWN.
63:11	A brilliant pass from BUTLER allows to JERMYN to run into the circle with it but his ball across is intercepted by Richard MANTELL.
58:45	<b>Goal</b> Another low shot from MANTELL that somehow makes it through the tangle of feet of the IRL defenders gives ENG their 5th goal.
57:49	PC for ENG.
57:08	Green card for BUTLER clashing into an ENG player at full speed.
54:10	<b>Goal</b> And another goal to Richard MANTELL as his flick to the right side of the goal somehow finds a way through between RUDDLE and GLEGHORNE.
53:21	Another PC for ENG.

<b>52:38</b>	COCKRAM has a great opportunity to get IRL closer as he finds himself alone with the ball deep in the circle. He turns and goes for the reverse stick shot but the ball is saved well by EBSWORTH.
<b>49:02</b>	<b>Incident</b> Yellow card for Martin JONES (ENG no. 9).
<b>48:24</b>	<b>Goal</b> HAWES converts with a precise low shot to the left corner.
<b>48:14</b>	Richard MANTELL` s shot hits GLEGHORNE` s body and a penalty stroke follows.
<b>47:37</b>	Despite valiant defense efforts by JERMYN who has been playing very well in this match, ENG win another PC.
<b>46:21</b>	This attempt however is deflected by the IRL defense and the ball goes wide.
<b>44:52</b>	Jason BLACK loses the ball to an ENG player in midfield only to see JONES go on into the circle to win a PC. All goals in this match so far have come from penalty corners, and all penalty corners have resulted in goals.
<b>42:51</b>	HAWES is hit in the face in a clash with an opponent and goes to the ground. Time is stopped but play quickly resumes with HAWES able to continue.
<b>37:29</b>	A shot across from the left is deflected high at short range off an IRL stick, and the ENG are lucky to see the ball hit EBSWORTH` s helmet and go high and wide off it - he would have stood no chance to react had the ball not been aimed directly at him.
<b>35:00</b>	Half time. The game has been level, despite the difference in world ranking, the teams are equal opponents. Both teams but especially IRL have been making very few mistakes, and chances have been few, with all three goals having come from short corners. Both teams are clearly struggling with the adverse conditions - in addition to low temperatures and strong wind it is now raining heavily.
<b>33:20</b>	The match still is - and for most of this first half has been - a steady back and forth between the two teams, neither one of them able to gain a significant advantage or appearing as the stronger team.
<b>28:25</b>	<b>Goal</b> MANTELL` s low ball fits into the bottom left corner perfectly, going past RUDDLE` s feet for the lead.
<b>26:56</b>	PC for ENG.
<b>24:28</b>	<b>Goal</b> With habitual PC striker BUTLER currently not on the pitch, JERMYN steps up himself and levels the score with a low shot that is equilly deflected by the goalkeeper but still goes in.
<b>24:13</b>	Jermyn wins a PC for IRL.

<b>23:01</b>	<b>Goal</b> MANTELL` s ball low to the left is reached and deflected by RUDDLE but he cannot prevent it from going in.
<b>21:29</b>	ENG win a PC.
<b>18:28</b>	Fantastic ball across through the circle from TINDALL. Both MIDDLETON and CLARKE miss it, and the opportunity is lost.
<b>16:41</b>	A great high ball from the back for SHERRIFF near the top of the circle but it bounces and is lost to the ENG defense.
<b>16:00</b>	After a few minutes of mostly IRL attacks, mostly through Andy BARBOUR on the far right, the English are back in the IRL circle but no shot on goal is achieved.
<b>09:22</b>	IRL first penetrate the ENG circle but the attempt is not very convincing and the ENG defense aren` t troubled.
<b>08:22</b>	Despite the total lack in shots on goal, the pace of the match is frantic as the ball goes back and forth between the teams who both are determined not to give away anything.
<b>05:50</b>	So far, the two teams are cautiously sizing one another up. ENG are pushing forward a little bit more aggressively but have not yet been able to get a shot on goal.
<b>00:04</b>	Umpires for this match are Nigel IGGO (NZL) and Henrik EHLERS (DEN).
<b>00:03</b>	England: 4. Glenn KIRKHAM, 5. Richard ALEXANDER, 6. Richard MANTELL, 9. Martin JONES, 11. Brett GARRARD (C), 12. Jonty CLARKE, 14. Ben HAWES, 18. Barry MIDDLETON, 21. Jon BLEBY, 23. Jon EBSWORTH (GK), 28. Simon MANTELL, INT: 10. Matt DALY, 13. Rob MOORE, 20. James TINDALL, 24. Ben MARSDEN, 25. James FAIR (GK)
<b>00:02</b>	Ireland: 2. Mark RUDDLE (GK), 3. Paddy BROWN (C), 4. Jason BLACK, 8. Stephen BUTLER, 10. Mark IRWIN, 11. John JERMYN, 15. Graham SHAW, 17. Andy BARBOUR, 18. Mark BLACK, 21. Timothy COCKRAM, 23. Iain LEWERS, INT: 1. Charlie HENDERSON (GK), 5. Karl BURNS, 9. Mark GLEGHORNE, 14. Justin SHERRIFF, 16. David HOBBS