

Tecumseh Boys lose close game to Greenon.

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The Tecumseh boy's varsity soccer team played a hard fought match against the Greenon Knights on Wednesday, September 9th and lost by a score of 2-1. The Arrows seemed to have good momentum going into this match after a couple of consecutive wins, including one against a strong Fairborn team. But, the Knights appeared to be on a mission. From the opening kickoff, the Knights played a high intensity strategy and pressured the Arrows every moment they had the ball.

In spite of the stress that the Knights were applying, the Arrows were the first to score. Greenon lost possession of the ball near the Tecumseh goal and sophomore Jordan Gozelski played a ball over the Knights' defense. In a quick counterattack, senior Nick Dysinger gathered up the ball and with three Knights' defenders chasing him from behind, raced 40 yards and hammered the ball into Greenon's goal. With 34:29 remaining in the first half, the Arrows had a 1-0 lead.

The teams battled back and forth for the remainder of the half with both sides creating good scoring opportunities. But it was Greenon's turn to find the back of the net. A Greenon striker found a little space outside of the penalty box and ripped a blistering shot past the Arrows' senior keeper Jacob Heckman to tie up the game at 1-1 with 9:58 remaining in the first half. As the time expired in the first half, there was still a sense that the Arrows were still favored in this game and would likely retake the lead in the second half.

The Arrows received a rude wakeup call early in the second half when Greenon headed a ball past the goalie on a deep throw-in to take a 2-1 lead with 33:56 remaining in the half. The Arrows showed good composure and continued to work hard for the remainder of the game, but it was not going to be their day. Despite numerous attacks in the game's closing minutes, the Arrows were unable to send the ball into the twine. Time ran out on Tecumseh and Greenon won the match with a final score of 2-1.

The Arrows (2-2, 1-1 CBC) will host Northwestern (3-2, 1-1 CBC) at 7:15pm on Monday, September 14th in another important CBC contest.