

Scotland and Wales come out ~~ready~~ ^{source} for the fray at Hampden Park - but this time, there's more than ~~the~~ ^{stake} National prestige at stake, as the fans well knew...

Hope hopes rose when "Big" Young won the toss from Walley Barnes.

But for Wales, in striped shorts (who kicked off) it was backs-to-the-wall - (in trying to hold the eager Scottish attackers)- for defeat would rob them of a ^{possible} place in the World Cup Finals - next year.

Yes, Scotland were on top - and when McKenzie found Reilly after seventeen minutes - the centre-forward put Allen Brown through - to score a picture goal.

Still undaunted - Wales hit back - for their soccer history has long been one of triumph over adversity.

But when Allen Brown paved the way for a Johnstone goal - just before half-time - Welsh hearts were heavy.

The second half - Scotland applying the craft - Wales the fire and determination. Following a corner - the ball ran to Foulkes - a fine centre - and Charles, (the hope of Wales), smashed it home.

Scotland's reply came minutes later - when Reilly capped a fine display with a goal. Scotland 3 - Wales 1.

Eighteen minutes to go - then Ivor Allchurch crowned a brilliant dribble with this cannonball.

Scotland 3 - Wales 2 - Yet still Scotland were on top - doing everything except add to their score.

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Two minutes to go - Wales have only ^{hope} hope left now; but when that means John Charles - it ^{brings} a goal - and a three-three draw.