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CITY CLINCH THIRD AT 24th CANON LION CITY CUP

SINGAPORE, 1 July 2012: Manchester City U15 beat Vasco da Gama for the second time in the competition by two goals after a 3-1 victory in the third and fourth placing match of the 24^{th} Canon Lion City Cup.

A neat goal from City's Callum Bullock (no. 11) put them in front after a neat interplay with striker Lukas Nmecha (no. 17). Vasco's Joao dos Santos (no. 9) pulled a goal back and the game looked to go right down to the wire. Vasco's Luan Martins (no. 7) had a number of opportunities after forcing fine saves from the City goalkeeper, Bradley McDonagh, with his shots from distance.

However, nifty and agile City striker Lukas Nmecha proved to be too much for the Vasco defence as he cropped up to score a header 8 minutes after the break and added City's third three minutes later.

Vasco pressed forward to get a goal after the break but the young citizens' defence could not be broken down as it was properly marshaled by Joshua Murray (no. 4) and Charles Oliver (no. 5). Vasco's Matheus da Silva's curling effort was on route to the top corner but was palmed away by the inspiring McDonagh between the post as he kept his team in the game on more than one occasion.

Match Report:

Manchester City 3 - 1 CR Vasco da Gama

1st July 2012

Jalan Besar Stadium, Singapore

Man of the Match: Luan Martins (CR Vasco da Gama)

Goals:

7' No. 11 Callum Bullock (Manchester City)

29' No. 9 Joao dos Santos (CR Vasco da Gama)

48' No. 17 Lukas Nmecha (Manchester City)

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Manchester City

- 4. Joshua Murray
- 5. Charles Oliver
- 6. Yvan Wassi
- 8. Thomas Holland (C)
- 9. Joseph Nuttall
- 10. David Brooks
- 11. Callum Bullock
- 12. Ryan Ellison
- 13. Daniel Grimshaw (GK)
- 15. Marcus Wood
- 17. Lukas Nimecha

Substitutes

- 1. Bradley McDonagh
- 2. Cameron Humphreys
- 3. Adam Robinson
- 7. Aaron Nemane
- 14. Deri Corfe
- 16. Joseph Hardy
- 18. William Patching

Substitutions

- 30' No. 3 Adam Robinson In, No. 6 Yvan Wassi Out
- 39' No. 7 Aaron Nemane In, No. 9 Joseph Nuttall Out
- 41' No. 2 Cameron Humphreys In, No. 12 Ryan Ellison Out
- 50' No. 14 Deri Corfe In, No. 10 David Brooks Out
- 60' No. 18 William Patching In, No. 8 Thomas Holland Out
- Coach: Scott Sellars

CR Vasco da Gama

- 1. Vinicius de Oliveira (GK)
- 2. Gabriel da Silva
- 4. Felipe Rodrigues
- 5. Rafael de Carvalho (C)
- 7. Luan Martins
- 8. Evander da Silva
- 9. Joao dos Santos
- 10. Matheus da Silva
- 13. Matheus de Oliveira
- 14. Allan de Andrade
- 16. Jose dos Santos

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Substitutes

- 4. Felipe Rodrigues
- 6. Tauan Oliveira
- 11. Mathes Oliveira
- 12. Matheus Souza
- 15. Breno Campos
- 17. Guilherme de Souza
- 18. Philipe Macedo

Substitutions

57' No. 12 Matheus Souza In, No. 1 Vinicius de Oliveira Out 57' No. 17 Guilherme de Souza In, No. 8 Evander da Silva Out

Coach: Sergio Bello

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