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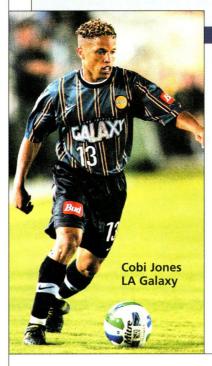
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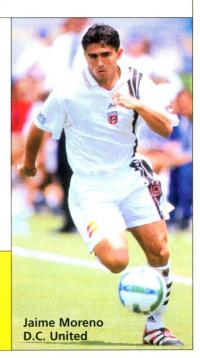
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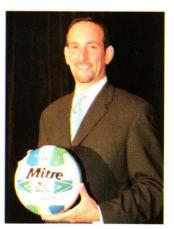




#### FROM THE COMMISSIONER



#### WELCOME TO MLS CUP '99



Welcome to Foxboro Stadium and MLS Cup '99. We are returning to the New England area, where D.C. United defeated the Los Angeles Galaxy 3-2 in sudden-death overtime at the inaugural MLS Cup in 1996. Adding to the excitement of this year's game will be a special performance by one of America's hottest young popular recording artists, Christina Aguilera.

We've enjoyed many spectacular moments during the league's fourth season, including the opening of the Columbus Crew Stadium and several exciting events on the field. I would like to thank the more than 11 million of fans who have attended MLS games and supported their teams. I also would like to express our gratitude to Major League Soccer's sponsors and licensees for their continued support.

As we enter the new millenium, MLS has many exciting plans for the 2000 season and beyond. Soccer fans should be on the lookout for several announcements regarding a "New MLS."

I want to congratulate both of the teams competing in today's MLS Cup. It's been a long road to Foxboro and both teams are champions in their own right.

We encourage you to sit back and enjoy today's match between the Eastern and Western Conference champions and look forward to sharing many more memorable days with you in the years to come.

Sincerely,

Don Garber Commissioner

Major League Soccer

#### BIENVENIDOS A LA COPA MLS '99

Bienvenidos al estadio Foxboro y a la Copa MLS '99. Estamos de regreso al area de Nueva Inglaterra, en donde el D.C. United derrotó al Galaxy de Los Angeles en tiempos extras, en muerte subitá, durante la Copa Ignaural de la MLS en 1996. El juego de este ano trairá aún más excitación con la edición de una de las cantantes mas populares del momento, Christina Aquilera.

Hemos gozado mementos muy espectaculares durante la cuarta temporada de la liga, incluyendo la apertura del Estadio del Crew de Columbus y muchos otros eventos excitantes en el campo. Deseo darle las gracias a los mas de 11 millones de aficionados que han asistido a las canchas a apoyar a sus equipos. Tambien deseo expresar mi agradecimiento a los patrocinadores y comerciantes de la Major League Soccer por su continuo apoyo.

Al entrar a un nuevo mileneo, la MLS tiene planes excitantes para la temporada del 2000 y más allá. Los aficionados deberán de estar al pendiente de los anuncios que hara la Liga sobre cambios en la competencia y algunos cambios radicales que estan planeados para la proxima temporada.

Deseo felicitar a los dos equipos que estan compitiendo hoy por la Copa MLS. Ha sido un camino largo para llegar a Foxboro y ambos equipos son campeones por sus propios meritos.

Les invitos a que se sienten tranquilos y gozen el juego de hoy entre los campeones de la conferencias Este y Oeste, y yo espero compartir muchos momentos memorables con ustedes en los proximos años.

Sinceramente.

Don Garber Comisionado

Major League Soccer

## <u>all</u>that CITTES The Alan I. Rothenberg Trophy Receives a Royal Makeover isn't GOLD



different look than previous years. In early September MLS officials unveiled the league's new Alan I. Rothenberg trophy, awarded to the MLS Cup Champion.

Designed and created by Tiffany & Co., the bold and dynamic new trophy features a regulation-size soccer ball atop a fluid stand. The 8" ball is comprised of patches of silver, approximately 1 5/8" each, soldered together and featuring the MLS logo in the center of the ball on one of the patches.

The gleaming new trophy is made of sterling silver, stands 24 inches tall and weighs 24.1 pounds. The redesigned trophy illustrates the outstanding achievements of the MLS Cup Champion. Designed to show the action behind the sport, the new trophy captures the essence of movement and energy associated with athletics.

Constructed of sterling silver fluted strips electroformed together, the stand arches upwards cradling the ball at its crown. The 22 fluted strips - 11 on each side - represent the number of players per team in a regulation soccer match.

The base is inscripted "Alan I. Rothenberg Trophy," for whom the trophy is named. Alan Rothenberg is the founder of Major League Soccer, former president of U.S. Soccer and one of MLS' investors. The redesigned trophy replaces the original MLS Cup award, also of the same name, which is currently on display at the National Soccer Hall of Fame in Oneonta, NY.

Each season, the Alan I. Rothenberg Trophy is awarded to the MLS Cup Champion immediately following the championship match. A perpetual version of the trophy will remain in the league's headquarters in New York City displaying the names of all MLS Cup champions.

> MLS Commissioner Don Garber unveils the new Alan I. Rothenberg Trophy



The MLS Cup '99 logo features the new Alan I. Rothenberg trophy wrapped within a flowing American flag. The vibrant color palette of MLS Red and Colonial Blue connects with the dramatic history of the Boston area, combining with the new, glittering MLS Cup trophy.

Reaching out from the illustrated trophy is a pennant resembling the American Flag which wraps behind the illustration. The four stars in the pennant symbolize the fourth annual MLS Cup while the three stripes represent each of the league's past champions.



A banner with the description "MLS Cup '99" flies in front of the graphic and is translated into "Copa MLS '99" to create a Spanish version of the logo for the league's Spanish-speaking fans. "Foxboro Stadium, November 21, 1999" is printed along the bottom of the design to identify the place and date of the event.

The logo was created by MLS Creative Services, in conjunction with Firefly Design, and will be used on all print, advertising and promotional campaigns associated with the event, as well as on official MLS Cup '99 licensed merchandise.

## MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER

#### AROUND THE LEAGUE

San Jose picked up its first win of the 1999 season when the Clash defeated Colorado 3-2 in a shootout on March 27 ... The win was the first of a league record 10 shootout victories for San Jose ... New England forward Giovanni Savarese scored the quickest goal in MLS history when he found the back of the net 22 seconds into a 2-1 loss to Miami on

March 28 ... On March 16, Sergi Daniv and DaMarcus Beasley signed contracts to become the 30th and 31st members of the Project-40 program ... Daniv joined Dallas and Beasley was assigned to the Los Angeles Galaxy.

Jason Kreis scored the first three of his 18 goals on March 20

**DID YOU KNOW?** 

There are only two people in Major

League Soccer who own all three MLS Cup championship rings. Chicago

Head Coach Bob Bradley and midfield-

1997 before winning last year's championship match with the Fire.

er Jesse Marsch each won MLS Cup

titles with D.C. United in 1996 and

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#### Kreis' Trifecta

Dallas Burn forward Jason Kreis opened the 1999 season by foreshadowing the remainder of his fourth year in MLS when he exploded for three goals in a 4-0 win over the Kansas City Wizards on March 20 at the Cotton Bowl. Kreis' hat trick was the Burn's second hat trick in club history, and his first since his senior year at Duke in 1994.

Despite his scoring outburst, Kreis remained humble when reporters questioned him about the hat trick following the game.

"I got fortunate tonight," he said. "Some of those were easier to make than they were to miss."

#### Magnificent MetroStars

After losing their first three games in each of the first three years of Major League Soccer, the MetroStars jumped out to a 2-0 start when Bora's Boys defeated the Miami Fusion and Columbus Crew during March.

Eduardo Hurtado scored two goals as the Metros

#### MLS OPENS FOURTH SEASON

any familiar faces opened the 1999 season in new places as the league kicked off its fourth campaign. Shockwaves were sent throughout Major League Soccer in early January when Raul Diaz Arce (from New England to San Jose), the league's all-time leading scorer, and Giovanni Savarese (from the MetroStars to New England), the third-best point producer heading into the season, were dealt in a three-team trade. The ensuing weeks saw the MetroStars deal Alexi Lalas and Tony Meola to the Kansas City Wizards and John Harkes go from D.C. United to the New England Revolution.

In addition to the various player moves, Thomas Rongen debuted as D.C. United's new head coach, after former United mentor Bruce Arena moved to the U.S. National Team. D.C. continued its tradition of excellence, opening the season with a 5-2 victory over the Tampa Bay Mutiny on March 20.

Tom Presthus led D.C. United to a 5-2 win over Tampa Bay on March 20

topped the Miami Fusion 3-2 on March 20 at Lockhart Stadium. The Metros followed with a 1-0 victory over Columbus on March 28 when a powerful header by Mike Petke in the 80th minute sent the Giants Stadium crowd of 20,307 into a frenzy.

However, the subsequent months were not as fruitful, as the MetroStars won only five of their remaining 30 games and spent the majority of the season in last place in the East.

#### PLAYER OF THE MONTH



Chicago forward Ante Razov scored four goals and added two assists in two Fire wins during March to capture MLS' first player of the month award for the 1999 season.

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1	1	1	3	3	1	Los Angeles Galaxy	2	0	2	1	1	2
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#### PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

WEEK	NAME	TEAM
1	Jason Kreis	Dallas Burn
2	Ante Razov	Chicago Fire

#### BUDWEISER LEADING SCORERS

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	NAME	TEAM	GAMES	GLS	ASSTS	PTS
1	Ante Razov	CHI	2	4	2	10
2	Jason Kreis	DAL	2	3	1	7
3	Roy Lassiter	DC	- 1	2	1	5
4	Jefferson Gottardi	TB	1	2	0	4
	Paul Bravo	COL	2	2	0	4
	Jerzy Podbrozny	CHI	2	1	2	4
	Eduardo Hurtado	MET	2	2	0	4



#### AROUND THE LEAGUE

Carlos Valderrama returned to the Tampa Bay Mutiny on April 23 after spending slightly more than one season with the Miami Fusion ... Chicago's Ante Razov became the first MLS player to score multiple goals in three consecutive games when he scored

two goals in a 4-1 win over Miami on April 3 ... Major League Soccer post-poned the April 24 match between Chicago and Colorado due to the tragedy at Columbine High School in suburban Denver.

Jay Heaps played soccer and basketball at Duke University



#### BURNIN' IT UP

M any soccer experts thought the Dallas Burn would be in trouble when veteran goalkeeper Mark Dodd went down with a knee injury during preseason training. April was the month when second-year goalkeeper Matt Jordan removed any doubts about the Burn's situation between the pipes.

Jordan led the Burn to a 3-2 record in April by allowing only three goals in five games while registering two shutouts. The Clemson University product shut out the defending MLS Cup Champion Chicago Fire 1-0 on April 10 in the Fire's home opener. He also had a career-high nine saves in a 2-0 shutout of Columbus on April 24.

### New Dreams for Miami's Heaps

Not too many individuals would pass up the chance to win an NCAA basketball championship to play professional soccer, but that is exactly what

Miami's Jay Heaps did earlier this year.

A star on the Duke University soccer team and a backup point guard on Mike Krzyzewski's Blue Devil hoops squad, Heaps opted to graduate college early, leave the basketball team during his senior season, and pursue his dream of playing in Major League Soccer.

Although he was preparing for an April 3 match against the Chicago Fire, he was in attendance when his alma mater lost to the University of Connecticut in the NCAA Division I Basketball Championship on March 29.

## "It could have been the most difficult decision so far in my life," said Heaps. "But I was fortunate to be in a position to make a decision like that."

American professional soccer history (753-497-27),

resigned as the Kansas City Wizards head coach on

April 14. Following a brief stint with Ken Fogarty as

the Wizards' interim coach, former U.S. National

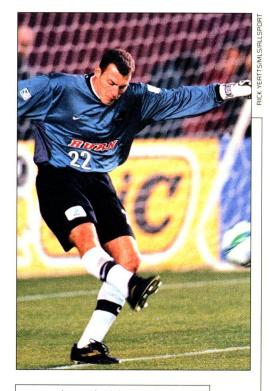
Team Head Coach Bob Gansler was named the

## THIS MONTH IN MLS HISTORY Coaching Carousel Ron Newman, the winningest head coach in

On April 6, 1996, San Jose forward Eric Wynalda scored in the 88th minute to send the Clash to a 1-0 win in front of an overflow crowd of 31,363 at Spartan Stadium in MLS' inaugural game.

#### MLS STANDINGS - APRIL 30

Eastern	ere	nce		Western Conference										
TEAM		W	L	PTS	GF	GA	SOW	TEAM	W	L	PTS	GF	GA	sow
Columbus Crew		4	2	8	5	6	2	Chicago Fire	4	1	12	11	2	0
D.C. United		3	2	7	11	8	1	Dallas Burn	4	3	10	10	3	1
N.E. Revolution		2	3	6	7	5	0	Los Angeles Galaxy	3	3	5	4	4	2
MetroStars		3	2	5	4	5	2	San Jose Clash	5	2	5	7	10	5
Miami Fusion		3	3	5	7	12	2	Colorado Rapids	2	2	4	8	5	1
Tampa Bay Muti	iny	1	4	3	7	11	0	Kansas City Wizards	0	7	0	2	12	0



Matt Jordan made eight saves in the second half against Columbus on April 24

Wizards' new head man on April 28.

After a 2-3 start, long-time UCLA Head Coach Sigi Schmid took over the Galaxy coaching reins on April 23, replacing Octavio Zambrano.

Both coaches improved their club's performances, as Los Angeles went 17-9 under Schmid and Gansler went 8-17 after the Wizards started the year 0-7.

#### PLAYER OF THE MONTH



Tampa Bay forward Musa Shannon scored four goals in as many games for the Mutiny during April, getting three of his tallies in a reserve role.

#### PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

WEEK	NAME	TEAM
1	Walter Zenga	N.E. Revolution
2	Matt Jordan	Dallas Burn
3	Jason Kreis	Dallas Burn
4	Ivan McKinley	N.E. Revolution

#### BUDWEISER LEADING SCORERS

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	NAME	TEAM	GAMES	GLS	ASSTS	PTS	1000 C							
1	Ante Razov	CHI	5	6	3	15								
2	Jason Kreis	DAL	7	6	1	13								
3	Roy Lassiter	DC	5	5	2	12								
4	Musa Shannon	TB	5	4	0	8								



#### AROUND THE LEAGUE

The MLS Fantasy Soccer Game on Yahoo! Sports made its debut May 19 ... More than 175,000 teams eventually entered the free fantasy league ... Los Angeles added

midfielder Simon Elliott as a discovery player on May 22 ... Tampa Bay goalkeeper Scott Garlick had a seasonlong 389-minute shutout streak during the month of May ... A MetroStars season-high crowd of 43,192 saw Bora's troops down the New England Revolution 4-3 in a shootout on May 29.

#### THIS MONTH IN MLS HISTORY

On May 6, 1998, Los Angeles defeated Colorado 7-4 in MLS' highest-scoring game ever. Cobi Jones' hat trick led the Galaxy offense. The 11-goal total

eclipsed the 10 goals scored by Kansas City and Columbus on May 2, 1996.

> Paul Bravo had three goals and two assists in five games during May



#### MAKING HISTORY IN COLUMBUS

'99 YEAR IN REVIEW

ooking back at some of the most important dates in American soccer history, certain events come to mind: the surprising U.S. victory over England at the 1950 World Cup, Paul Caliguiri's "shot heard 'round the world'" that sent the Americans to the 1990 World Cup after a 40-year absence, the success of the 1994 World Cup in the United States and the inaugural Major League Soccer game on April 6, 1996.

However, many soccer experts believe the May 15,

1999, debut of the Columbus Crew Stadium could be the most important day in American soccer history.

Soccer fans from across the country showed their enthusiasm for the Crew's new home as an overflow crowd of 24,741 rocked the new stadium to see Columbus defeat the New England Revolution 2-0.

"I didn't touch the floor from the time I left the locker room and sat on the bench," Columbus Head Coach Tom Fitzgerald said. "I'm sure the players

would tell you the same thing. It was an absolutely incredible night for soccer. Not only in Columbus, but across the world."

#### Rapids Roar Through May

The Colorado Rapids were the team to beat in May, going 5-0 during the month and outscoring opponents 10-4 during the win streak. Coupled with two wins in late April, the Rapids' seven-game streak was the second longest in MLS during the 1999 season.

With Paul Bravo, Anders Limpar, Wolde Harris and Jorge Dely Valdes in the mix, Colorado Head Coach Glenn Myernick had a wealth of firepower to fill his two-forward, oneattacking midfielder system.

YEAR IN REVIEW



A sellout crowd of 24,741 were on hand for the debut of the Columbus Crew Stadium on May 15

"I'm very proud of our team," Myernick said at the end of May. "We've gotten off to a good start. The attitude and chemistry on this team is first-class."

#### Mutiny Make the Move

While Colorado was making waves in the Western Conference, the Tampa Bay Mutiny went 4-1 against the East during May. Goalkeeper Scott Garlick, who strung together a 264-minute shutout streak and led the Mutiny's turnaround from an 0-4 start to win five consecutive games (before losing on May 29), was a key reason for the Mutiny's success.

In addition, midfield maestro Carlos Valderrama made an impact in the Mutiny's offense during his first full month with the club. The Colombian World Cup veteran scored a goal and tallied one assist in his first five games while running the Mutiny offense.

#### PLAYER OF THE MONTH



D.C. United forward Roy Lassiter scored six goals in five games during May to win the player of the month honors. Lassiter scored in a 1999 season-high six consecutive games before he was held scoreless on June 5.

#### PLHYERS OF THE WEEK

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1	Chris Armas	Chicago Fire
2	Jeff Cunningham	Columbus Crew
3	Mark Chung	MetroStars
4	Roy Lassiter	D.C. United
5	Giovanni Savarese	N.E. Revolution

#### **BUDWEISER LEADING SCORERS**

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	NAME	TEAM	GAMES	GLS	ASSTS	PTS
1	Roy Lassiter	DC	10	11	4	26
2	Jason Kreis	DAL	11	8	3	19
3	Ante Razov	CHI	9	6	4	16

#### MLS STANDINGS - MAY 31

Eastern Conference								Western Conference						
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7	3	17	24	17	2	Chicago Fire	6	4	18	19	10	0		
7	3	15	10	8	3	Colorado Rapids	7	2	17	18	9	2		
5	5	9	11	15	3	Dallas Burn	6	5	16	16	7	1		
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4	6	8	11	13	2	San Jose Clash	6	5	6	12	19	6		
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**WYNALDA LANDS IN MIAMI** 

#### **AROUND** THE LEAGUE

Colorado's streak of seven consecutive victories was snapped in a 4-3 loss to San Jose on June 3 ... Colorado's Glenn Myernick (West) and D.C.'s Thomas Rongen (East) were selected as head coaches for the 1999 MLS

All-Star Game ... New England's Joe-Max Moore had a 1999 seasonhigh seven shots on target in a 3-2 win over Tampa Bay on June 19.

Carlos

Galaxy

Hermosillo

ignited the

attack with

a goal in

his 1999

MLS debut

**MILESTONE** 

ric Wynalda, the all-time leading scorer in U.S. National Team history, was one of four players

who joined new clubs in a three-team trade on June 1.

The MetroStars received Wynalda from San Jose, relieving the Clash of the club's future considerations to the MetroStars from the January 20, 1999, trade that sent midfielder Marcelo Vega and forward Raul Diaz Arce to San Jose as part of a multi-team deal. The MetroStars sent Costa Rican midfielder Roy Myers to Los Angeles. In exchange for Myers, the Galaxy sent Brazilian forward/midfielder Welton to the MetroStars. After receiving Wynalda and Welton, the MetroStars sent the two former MLS All-Stars and defender Arley Palacios to the Miami Fusion. In exchange for the three players, the MetroStars received a "marguee" player allocation from the league. That "marquee" player allocation would eventually become German National Team captain Lothar Matthäus.

> Later in the month, Miami continued to revamp its lineup, when the Fusion sent defender Mario Gori to New England for veteran midfielder Edwin Gorter on June 22.



Los Angeles Galaxy forward Carlos Hermosillo made an immediate impact when he made his 1999 debut with the Los Angeles Galaxy, scoring the first goal in a 2-1 win over the Chicago Fire on June 12.

Hermosillo, who spent the offseason with Necaxa of the Mexican First Division, finished sixth in scoring in Mexico with nine goals during the Torneo Verano (summer season).



## **STATISTICAL**

Kansas City midfielder Chris Henderson tallied four assists on June 20 in a 6-0 rout of the MetroStars, tying Tampa Bay's Carlos Valderrama for the league record for most assists in one game.

#### Colorado Conquers Chicago

In a key matchup to decide first-place in the Western Conference, the Colorado Rapids struck twice in the final six minutes to defeat the Chicago Fire 2-0 at Mile High Stadium on June 26.

Colorado forward Jorge Dely Valdes notched his third consecutive game-winning goal in the victory. After scoring, Dely Valdes ran to the corner of the

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Eric Wynalda was traded to Miami in June after spending three years with San Jose

field and made his trademark imaginary cell phone call. He began the celebration of taking out the cell phone and dialing his family in Panama earlier in the 1999 season.

With the victory, Colorado retained first place in the Western Conference over the defending MLS Cup champions, as the Fire fell victim to the Rapids' 10th win in their last 11 games.

#### PLAYER OF THE MONTH



Dallas Burn forward Jason Kreis struck for three goals and five assists in five games to earn MLS Player of the Month honors in June.

#### MLS STANDINGS - JUNE 30

Eastern Co	Western Conference												
TEAM	W	L	PTS	GF	GA	SOW	TEAM	W	L	PTS	GF	GA	sow
D.C. United	11	5	29	34	24	2	Colorado Rapids	10	3	26	26	14	2
Columbus Crew	10	5	20	17	16	5	Dallas Burn	9	7	25	27	12	1
N.E. Revolution	7	8	15	20	21	3	Los Angeles Galaxy	9	6	21	16	11	3
Tampa Bay Mutiny	6	9	12	18	24	3	Chicago Fire	7	7	21	22	16	0
MetroStars	5	10	9	15	29	3	San Jose Clash	9	7	13	22	29	7
Miami Fusion	4	12	8	19	32	2	Kansas City Wizards	3	11	9	15	23	0

#### PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

NAME	TEAM
Jason Kreis	Dallas Burn
Jaime Moreno	D.C. United
Joe-Max Moore	N.E. Revolution
Jorge Dely Valdes	Colorado Rapids
	Jason Kreis Jaime Moreno Joe-Max Moore

#### BUDWEISER LEADING SCORERS

	NAME	TEAM	GAMES	GLS	ASSTS	PTS	NA PARAMETER
	Roy Lassiter	DC	15	14	5	33	
2	Jason Kreis	DAL	16	11	8	30	
3	Ronald Cerritos	SJ	16	8	3	19	
4	Paul Bravo	COL	11	7	4	18	
3	Ronald Cerritos	SJ	16	8	3	19	

YEAR IN REVIEW

## THE LEAGUE

Miami sweeper **Edwin Gorter led** the Fusion to a 4-0 July (the only MLS team to notch a perfect record in July), anchoring a young defense that recorded consecutive shutouts for the first time in team

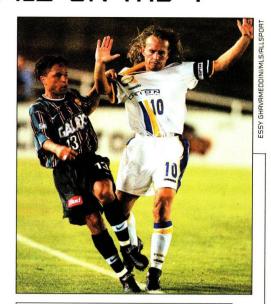
history and set a club record with 244 consecutive shutout minutes ... The MetroStars added Serbian midfielder Sasa Curcic and Iranian defender Mohammad Khakpour on July 6 ... San Jose traded forward Raul Diaz Arce to the Tampa Bay Mutiny in exchange for forward Alejandro Sequeira and future considerations on July 19.

#### FANS FLOCK TO MLS ON THE 4TH

unday, July 4, 1999, became a record-breaking day for Major League Soccer as droves of soccer fans witnessed spectacular shows both on the field and in the sky. MLS set a league record for an Independence Day attendance with a total of 231,188 spectators coming through the turnstiles for the five

Showcasing three crowds that ranked among the league's top all-time turnouts, an MLS-best average of 46,238 spectators witnessed the holiday matches on the fourth of July.

The Colorado Rapids set a club-record when 51,025 fans witnessed the Columbus Crew down the Western Conference first-place team, 3-0 at Mile High Stadium. The Rose Bowl's 60,433 fans saw the Miami Fusion defeat the hometown Los Angeles Galaxy, 2-1. Playing away from Spartan Stadium to partake in the Women's World Cup semifinal doubleheader, the San Jose Clash handed D.C. United a 2-1 shootout loss before a crowd of 73,123 spectators.



Edwin Gorter's Miami Fusion defeated

Cobi Jones' Los Angeles Galaxy 2-1 on July 4

Conference responded by scoring what proved to be the game-winning goal just one minute later and then added an insurance goal in the 89th minute to give the West a 6-4 win in the 1999 MLS All-Star Game at Qualcomm Stadium in San Diego.

Kansas City Wizards midfielder Preki led the West barrage with two goals and an assist to capture MasterCard Most Valuable Player honors.

Kansas City defender Alexi Lalas became the first player in All-Star history to be on the winning team all four years. Lalas was on the Eastern Conference squad (New England) in 1996 and '97, and on the MLS USA team as a member of the MetroStars in 1998.

#### Preki was the MasterCard Most Valuable Player of the MLS All-Star Game



#### Beefin' Up the Crowd

On Wednesday, July 7, fans at the MLS game between the Columbus Crew and D.C. United helped set a new Crew record. No. the supporters didn't cheer Stern John on to the most goals scored in a game. More than 18,000 Columbus soccer fans actually set the club bratwurst eating record when 17.812 brats were consumed in a 2-1 shootout loss to D.C. United

The record was set on the third and final Buck-A-Brat Night at Columbus Crew Stadium. In the

first two promotional nights, Crew fans consumed 29,876 brats for a two-game average of 14,938.

#### **ROOKIE WATCH**

On July 13, 1999 20-year-old University of Virginia striker Chris Albright became the 32nd member of Project-40. A standout on the U.S. Under-20 National Team, the Philadelphia native caught the attention of many MLS teams and was dealt to D.C. United through a trade with Miami.

#### Scoring Showcase at MLS All-Star Game

After watching a 4-1 halftime lead disappear following the tying goal in the 83rd minute, San Jose Clash defender Mauricio Wright and the Western

#### MLS STANDINGS - JULY 31

Eastern Co	Eastern Conference							Western Conference					
TEAM	W	L	PTS	GF	GA	SOW	TEAM	W	L	PTS	GF	GA	sow
D.C. United	13	7	33	39	28	3	Colorado Rapids	14	5	38	35	21	2
Columbus Crew	12	7	26	25	20	5	Los Angeles Galaxy	12	8	30	25	17	3
Tampa Bay Mutiny	9	12	19	32	35	4	Dallas Burn	10	11	28	35	21	1
Miami Fusion	8	12	18	26	35	3	Chicago Fire	10	9	28	29	21	1
N.E. Revolution	8	11	18	26	34	3	San Jose Clash	11	9	15	28	36	9
MetroStars	5	13	9	17	35	3	Kansas City Wizards	6	14	14	24	38	2

#### PLAYER OF THE MONTH



Tampa Bay Mutiny forward Raul Diaz Arce scored five goals and added four assists in his first four games with the Mutiny. His efforts in the month of July included a five-game goal scoring streak.

#### PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

WEEK	NAME	TEAM
1 (	Stern John	Columbus Crew
2	Jason Kreis	Dallas Burn
3	Chris Klein	Kansas City Wizards
4	Raul Diaz Arce	Tampa Bay Mutiny

#### BUDWEISER LEADING SCORERS

	NAME	TEAM	GAMES	GLS	ASSTS	PTS
1	Roy Lassiter	DC	19	15	7	37
2	Jason Kreis	DAL	21	13	10	36
3	Joe-Max Moore	NE	16	10	5	25

#### AROUND THE LEAGUE

Miami forward **Welton scored** three goals and tallied three assists in the **Fusion's six games** in August ... Dallas forward Ariel Graziani scored three goals and added one assist in three wins after joining the Burn August 13 ... D.C. United went 6-0 in August ... Columbus goalkeeper Mark **Dougherty** became the first MLS netminder to register 50 wins after the Crew defeated the

MetroStars 4-2 at Giants Stadium on August 18, his 14th victory of the year.

#### **STATISTICAL MILESTONE**

Tampa Bay's Steve Raiston became the first player to record 10,000 playing minutes with the league when the midfielder helped power the Mutiny to a 2-1 shootout victory over the Columbus Crew on August 22.



MARK THOMPSON/BUSPORT

**Future MetroStar Lothar Matthäus** was the 1998-99 German Player of the Year

#### STERN TURNS IN TWO HAT TRICKS

ynamic Columbus Crew forward Stern John continued to showcase his scoring talents when he scored three goals against the Miami Fusion on August 1 and registered another hat trick against the MetroStars on August 18. The two hat tricks gave the 23-year-old native of Trinidad and Tobago five threegoal games for his career to lead MLS players.

"He's a great goal-scorer," MetroStars defender Mark Semioli said following John's hat trick on August 18 in a 4-1 Crew victory. "He finishes when he gets the chances. A lot of teams could use a guy like Stern John."

John led MLS in scoring in 1998 with 26 goals and five assists for 57 points.

#### Matthäus Headed to MetroStars

After months of anticipation, Major League Soccer signed German National Team superstar Lothar Matthäus to a contract on August 17. The 1998-99 German Player of the Year and former FIFA World Player of the Year will join the league next February and play for the MetroStars in 2000.

The all-time world leader in World Cup appear-

ances with 25, Matthäus, 38, is one of the most prominent players in the history of world soccer. He is the only field player to participate in five World Cups, and served as captain of the 1990 West German World Champions.

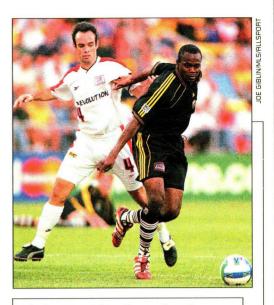
The 5-foot-8, 155-pound Matthäus is a tenacious player who is effective as a sweeper (libero) or midfielder. He is the current German National Team captain and has played for renowned clubs Bayern Munich, Inter Milan (Italy Serie A) and Borussia Monchengladbach (Bundesliga) during a 21-season playing career at the first division level.

#### NFL Executive Named MLS Commissioner

Major League Soccer appointed Don Garber, formerly the senior vice president of the National

#### MLS STANDINGS - AUGUST 31

Eastern Conference							Western Conference						
TEAM	W	L	PTS	GF	GA	SOW	TEAM	W	L	PTS	GF	GA	sow
D.C. United	19	7	47	53	35	5	Colorado Rapids	16	8	42	36	30	3
Columbus Crew	15	10	35	38	28	5	Chicago Fire	14	11	40	44	27	1
Tampa Bay Mutiny	12	14	26	38	40	5	Los Angeles Galaxy	15	9	39	35	20	3
Miami Fusion	10	16	22	32	47	4	Dallas Burn	14	12	38	44	26	2
N.E. Revolution	9	16	19	30	42	4	San Jose Clash	14	10	22	34	43	10
MetroStars	5	21	9	24	55	3	Kansas City Wizards	8	17	20	30	45	2



Columbus' Stern John pulls away from New England's Mike Burns for one of his 18 goals in '99

Football League's International division, as the league's new Commissioner on August 4.

Prior to joining MLS, Garber, 42, spent nearly 16 years at the National Football League, where he pioneered such innovations as the NFL Experience and managed the NFL Europe League. During his final three years, he oversaw all of the NFL's rapidly developing business endeavors outside the United States, including television production and rights distribution, various marketing and fan development activities, sponsorship sales, product licensing and the execution of the hugely popular NFL exhibition games and ancillary events.

#### PLAYER OF THE MONTH



Dallas goalkeeper Matt Jordan led the Burn to a 4-1 record in August, registering three shutouts. Jordan was the second Dallas player to win Player of the Month honors in '99 after Jason Kreis won the award in June.

#### PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

WEEK	NAME	TEAM
1	Lubos Kubik	Chicago Fire
2	Kevin Hartman	Los Angeles
3	Ariel Graziani	Dallas Burn
4	Jaime Moreno	D.C. United

#### BUDWEISER LEADING SCORERS

	NAME	TEAM	GAMES	GLS	ASSTS	PTS
1	Jason Kreis	DAL	26	14	13	41
2	Roy Lassiter	DC	24	16	8	40
3	Stern John	CLB	22	16	2	34
4	Ante Razov	CHI	23	12	6	30



#### **THIS MONTH IN MLS HISTORY**

On September 5, 1998, **Kansas City Wizards** midfielder Preki became the first player to break the 40-goal, 40-assist career threshold with a three-goal, two-assist performance in a 5-1 win over San Jose.



#### THE LEAGUE

San Jose hired former Los **Angeles Galaxy** and U.S. National **Team Head Coach Lothar Osiander** on September 17 ... Osiander, who spent the last two vears as the head coach of U.S. Pro-40, took over for Brian Ouinn ... Chicago's Chris Armas and Columbus' Brian McBride signed long-term contracts to keep them in MLS until the 2002 World Cup and beyond ... Los Angeles forward Cobi Jones scored four goals and added an assist to lead the Galaxy to a

#### YOUTH SERVES THE UNITED STATES

United midfielder Chris Albright scored his first goal on his first touch of the ball, less than two minutes after entering the game in his international debut to give the U.S. National Team a 2-2 draw against Jamaica September 8 in Kingston. The goal culminated a wild 90 minutes of soccer that saw the U.S. score an early goal, give up the equalizer on a penalty kick, and have a man ejected after 79 minutes.

Dallas Burn forward Jason Kreis scored his first international goal in eight appearances to open the scoring after five minutes. After Jamaica stormed back to go up 2-1, Albright scored the equalizer in the 80th minute.

In addition to Albright, five other MLS players earned their first international appearance in the game - Henry Gutierrez (Miami), Kevin Hartman (Los Angeles), Josh Wolff (Chicago), Chad McCarty (Tampa Bay) and Billy Walsh (MetroStars).



The A-League's Rochester Raging Rhinos proved that they had one more giant-killing performance in them by defeating Major League Soccer's Colorado Rapids 2-0 on September 14 in the 1999 Lamar Hunt

> U.S. Open Cup Final at Columbus Crew Stadium.

Rochester won the coveted Dewar Cup after defeating three MLS teams the Chicago Fire, Dallas Burn, and the Columbus Crew - en route to the Championship game victory over Colorado.

The oldest cup competition in United States soccer history, the U.S. Open Cup kicked off in 1914 and is recognized as the U.S. Soccer Federation's National Championship, with 32 finalists vying for the Dewar Cup. The 86year-old single-elimination tournament is open to all amateur and professional teams, giving both the opportunity to play against the best teams the United States has to offer.

Matt McKeon and the Rapids were the '99 U.S. Open Cup runner-up



D.C. United's Chris Albright (17) scored a goal for the U.S. National Team the first time he touched the ball in international competition

#### Grass Only at Giants Stadium

After four seasons where the MetroStars always finished the season playing on artificial turf, the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority, the New York Giants and the New York Jets agreed on September 29 to move forward with plans for Giants Stadium to have a grass surface for the entire 2000 season.

After playing on a temporary grass surface in 1996, the MetroStars have utilized a revolutionary modular tray system since its introduction during the 1997 season. However, each year the grass was removed for the National Football League season. The grass field is scheduled to be permanent beginning in 2000.

#### PLAYER OF THE MONTH



San Jose forward Ronald Cerritos became the first Clash player in the four-year history of the league to receive the MLS Player of the Month award when he scored four goals and had four assists in September.

#### MLS STANDINGS - SEPTEMBER 30

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	D.C. United	23	7	57	62	38	6	Los Angeles Galaxy	19	11	51	45	25	3
	Columbus Crew	19	11	45	45	33	6	Colorado Rapids	19	10	47	38	36	5
	Tampa Bay Mutiny	13	17	29	46	46	5	Dallas Burn	17	13	45	48	31	3
	Miami Fusion	11	19	23	36	58	5	Chicago Fire	16	14	44	48	34	2
	N.E. Revolution	10	20	22	35	51	4	San Jose Clash	18	12	34	47	49	10
ı	MetroStars	7	24	15	31	62	3	Kansas City Wizards	8	22	20	33	51	2

#### PLAYERS OF THE LUFEK

WEEK	NAME	TEAM
1	Manny Lagos	Tampa Bay Mutiny
2	Giovanni Savarese	N.E. Revolution
3	Eddie Lewis	San Jose Clash
4	Brian McBride	Columbus Crew

#### BUDULEISER LEADING SCORERS

	NAME	TEAM	GAMES	GLS	ASSTS	PTS	
1	Roy Lassiter	DC	28	17	11	45	
2	Jason Kreis	DAL	30	15	14	44	
3	Ronald Cerritos	SJ	30	15	9	39	
1	Stern John	CLB	26	17	2	36	



#### THE LEAGUE

The New England Revolution dismissed Player/Coach Walter Zenga on October 1 and replaced him on an interim basis with former Liverpool star Steve Nicol for the remainder of the regular season ... The only four-year player in MLS who had not qualified for the playoffs, Tampa Bay's **Dominic Kinnear** finally made his MLS postseason debut on October 17 ... American soccer icon Alexi Lalas of the **Kansas City** Wizards

announced that he was stepping aside from soccer on October 9.

#### THIS MONTH IN **MLS HISTORY**

On October 20, 1996, D.C. United defeated the Los Angeles Galaxy, 3-2, in sudden-death overtime to win the first MLS Cup championship. Eddie Pope scored four minutes into the overtime period in front of 34,643 rain-soaked fans at Foxboro Stadium.

#### 'EAR IN REVIEW

#### MLS' FIRST 15-15 MAN

allas Burn forward Jason Kreis had a breakthrough year in 1999, scoring 18 goals and tallying 15 assists for 51 points to capture the league's Budweiser Scoring Championship.

One of the favorites to win the league's Honda Most Valuable Player, Kreis became the first player to score 15 or more goals and register 15 or more assists in a season. Of Kreis' 18 goals, 11 were scored in multiple-goal games. "His percentage of shots on target is tremendous," Dallas Head Coach David Dir said. "He puts almost all of his shots on frame. And when you do that, you're going to get goals.'

Kreis' 51 points make him only the fourth player in MLS history to amass more than 50 points in a single season, joining Columbus' Stern John (1998), Los Angeles' Cobi Jones (1998) and then-Tampa Bay forward Roy Lassiter (1996).

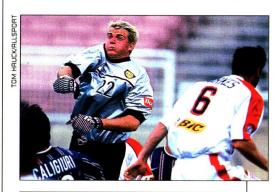
#### Goalkeeping Records Shattered

Dallas Burn goalkeeper Matt Jordan and Los Angeles netminder Kevin Hartman rewrote the record books for MLS goalkeepers in 1999.

Both goalkeepers set a new MLS record for shutouts in a season with 11 each, surpassing Tony Meola's 1996 high-water mark of nine shutouts.

In addition, Hartman became the first MLS goalkeeper to register a goals against average of less than one goal per match. The former UCLA star held Galaxy opponents to a 0.91 goals against average during the 1999 season.

Hartman and Jordan are considered by many



Goalkeeper Kevin Hartman led MLS with a league-record 0.91 goals against average

Jason Kreis is only the fourth player in MLS history to score more than 50 points in one season

among the coaching establishment to be the two leading candidates for the league's Pepsi Goalkeeper of the Year.

#### D.C. Stands United for 11 Game Streak

D.C. United showed why many consider Thomas Rongen's club the team to beat when the Black-and-Red reeled off 11 consecutive victories during the latter part of the 1999 season. United's 11-game win streak is tied for the third longest in MLS history. Despite the club's success during the streak, which began July 25 and ended October 6, United dropped its final two games of the regular season.

#### IRON MAN VERMES



Colorado Rapids captain Peter Vermes was the only player in MLS to play every minute of the 1999 season. Vermes logged 2,880 minutes to join three other players - Preki ('96), Steve Trittschuh ('96) and Mike Burns ('97) - who never left the field of play.

#### FINAL MLS STANDINGS

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Eastern Co	Western Conference												
TEAM	W	L	PTS	GF	GA	SOW	TEAM	W	L	PTS	GF	GA	SOW
D.C. United	23	9	57	65	43	6	Los Angeles Galaxy	20	12	54	49	29	3
Columbus Crew	19	13	45	48	39	6	Dallas Burn	19	13	51	54	35	3
Tampa Bay Mutiny	14	18	32	51	50	5	Chicago Fire	18	14	48	51	36	3
Miami Fusion	13	19	29	42	59	5	Colorado Rapids 20	12	48	38	39	6	
N.E. Revolution	12	20	26	38	53	5	San Jose Clash	19	13	37	48	49	10
MetroStars	7	25	15	32	64	3	Kansas City Wizards	8	24	20	33	53	2

#### PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

WEEK	NAME	TEAM
1	Jason Kreis	Dallas Burn
2	Jason Kreis	Dallas Burn

#### JDWEISER LEADING SCORERS

	NAME /	TEAM	GAMES	GL5	ASSTS	PTS	b
1	Jason Kreis	DAL	32	18	15	51	
2	Roy Lassiter	DC	30	18	11	47	
3	Ronald Cerritos	SJ	31	15	9	39	
4	Stern John	CLB	28	18	2	38	
	Joe-Max Moore	NE	29	15	8	38	



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#### LEADING SCORER

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#### **SCOREBOARD**

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE
March 20	@ San Jose	3-1
March 27	@ Kansas City	3-0
April 3	@ Miami	4-1
April 10	Dallas	0-1 (SO)
April 17	Los Angeles	1-0
May 1	DC United	3-2
May 8	@ Tampa Bay	1-2 (SO)
May 16	Colorado	0-1
May 22	Kansas City	3-1
May 29	@ DC United	1-3
June 5	@ New England	0-2
June 12	@ Los Angeles	1-2
June 19	San Jose	2-0
June 26	@ Colorado	0-2
July 2	Dallas	2-1 (SO)
July 4	@ Dallas	2-1 (30)
July 10	MetroStars	2-0
July 23	San Jose	2-3 (SO)
July 31	Los Angeles	0-1
August 5	@ Kansas City	2-1
August 8	Colorado	5-0
August 14	Miami	1-2 (SO)
August 22	@ Dallas	3-4 (SO)
August 25	Kansas City	2-0
August 28	New England	2-1
Sept. 5	@ MetroStars	2-1
Sept. 11	@ Los Angeles	0-1
Sept. 17	Tampa Bay	2-1 (SO)
Sept. 23	Columbus	1-2
Sept. 26	@ San Jose	0-2
Oct. 6	@ Colorado	1-0
Oct. 10	@ Columbus	3-2 (SO)

#### ZACH ATTACK



Fire goalkeeper Zach Thornton has allowed just two goals in five career playoff games and has more championship rings (one) than losses (zero).

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### CHICAGO FIRE

I fimitation is the sincerest form of flattery, well then, Chicago Head Coach Bob Bradley is blushing Fire red as nearly every MLS team entered 1999 hoping to repeat Chicago's success by emulating the defending champion's "commitment-to-defense" philosophy. Last season, only two teams – Chicago and high-powered Los Angeles – allowed 1.41 or fewer goals per game, while this year six clubs were as stingy defensively.



Fire midfielder Peter Nowak was the Most Valuable Player at MLS Cup '98

This season, with the return of goalkeeper Zach Thornton, defenders Lubos Kubik, C.J. Brown and Francis Okaroh, and midfielder Chris Armas, the Fire has allowed 30 percent fewer goals than even last year (even though Kubik, Brown, Okaroh and Armas missed nearly 25 games due to injury or national team duty this season). Statistically, Thornton, the 1998 Pepsi Goalkeeper of the Year and a member of the AT&T Best 11, is having another spectacular season, lowering his goals against average to 1.09 this year.

Forwards Ante Razov and Josh Wolff combined for more than 20 goals and each ranked among the top 20 Budweiser Scoring Leaders, but Wolff will be missed after suffering a lateseason knee injury. The Polish trio of Peter Nowak, Roman Kosecki and Jerzy Podbrozny each provided 16-20 points on the season. Rookie Dema Kovalenko demonstrated his offensive prowess with three goals late in the season as a fill-in for the injured Diego Gutierrez, while Jesse Marsch, the only MLS player to capture three MLS Cup rings, adds depth and experience in midfield.

While the attack scored 25 percent less goals than during the squad's championship season, Los Angeles, Colorado and Dallas all know that the road to MLS Cup '99 at Foxboro still goes through the Windy City.

#### FIRE ROSTER

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Note
14	Chris Armas	M	5-7	150	27	Defensive mid now a U.S. National Team stalwart
13	John Ball	M	5-10	160	26	Former indoor star provides depth in Fire midfield
2	C.J. Brown	D	6-0	185	24	USL product used MLS success to gain U.S. Nat'l Team spot
7	Paul Dougherty	M/F	5-3	130	32	World soccer veteran is on third MLS squad
4	Sam George	M	5-11	175	29	Flank midfielder/defender adds versatility to Chicago
8	Diego Gutierrez	M	5-7	155	26	Clutch goals, stellar play in big games is Gutierrez' calling card
41	Frank Klopas	M/F	5-9	155	33	Chicago native also starred for NASL Chicago Sting
11	Roman Kosecki	M/F	5-8	165	33	Spanish League veteran, extremely dangerous MLS attacker
21	Dema Kovalenko	F	5-8	145	22	Project-40 rookie has world of potential
5	Lubos Kubik	D	6-3	195	35	Kubik's deadly free kicks and penalty kicks doom opponents
17	Andrew Lewis	D	6-1	175	25	Young defender played for Bob Bradley at Princeton
15	Jesse Marsch	M	5-11	170	25	The only man in MLS (besides Bradley) with 3 MLS rings
10	Peter Nowak	M	5-7	145	35	MVP-like '98 season marred by injury; MLS Cup '98 MVP
20	Francis Okaroh	D	6-0	170	36	Staunch defender refuses to age
9	Jerzy Podbrozny	F	5-10	170	33	Polish National Team vet with Nowak, Kosecki
12	Ante Razov	F	6-1	175	25	Six game-winning goals tied for MLS lead
6	Tom Soehn	D	5-10	175	33	Chicago native keeps producing
24	Greg Sutton	GK	6-6	215	22	Rookie goalkeeper backs up Thornton admirably
18	Zach Thornton	GK	6-3	210	26	"Zach Attack" named 1998 Pepsi GK of the Year
3	Evan Whitfield	D	5-11	160	22	Duke rookie signed midseason after stint in Europe
16	Josh Wolff	F	5-8	160	22	Speedy striker changed game off the bench before ACL injury



WON 20 LOST 12 PTS. 48 POS. 4TH

#### LEADING SCORER

JORGE DELY VALDES

#### SCOREBOARD

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE
March 20	@ Los Angeles	1-2 (SO)
March 27	@ San Jose	2-3 (SO)
April 10	Miami	4-1
April 17	Kansas City	2-1 (SO)
May 1	@ New England	2-1
May 8	@ Dallas	2-1 (SO)
May 16	@ Chicago	1-0
May 22	MetroStars	2-0
May 27	San Jose	4-2
June 3	@ San Jose	3-4
June 12	@ MetroStars	1-0
June 19	Dallas	2-1
June 26	Chicago	2-0
July 4	Columbus	0-3
July 7	@ Kansas City	2-1
July 10	@ DC United	2-1
July 25	Tampa Bay	2-3 (SO)
July 28	Los Angeles	1-0
July 31	@ Dallas	2-0
August 6	New England	1-0 (SO)
August 8	@ Chicago	0-5
August 13	@ Tampa Bay	2-1
August 18	Dallas	0-3
August 28	DC United	0-1
Sept. 4	@ Columbus	1-2
Sept. 10	Kansas City	1-0 (SO)
Sept. 18	Los Angeles	1-0
Sept. 25	@ Kansas City	1-0 (SO)
Sept. 29	@ Los Angeles	0-4
Oct. 1	San Jose	1-0 (SO)
Oct. 6	Chicago	0-1
Oct. 9	@ Miami	0-2

#### LUTCH PERFORMER



Jorge Dely Valdes led MLS with seven game-winning goals, a new single-season record. For Colorado to succeed, Dely Valdes needs to dial long-distance.

#### ON THE BENCH



HEAD COACH: Glenn Myernick ASSISTANT COACH: Rene Miramontes

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#### **WESTERN CONFERENCE**

## COLORADO RAPIDS

Injuries. Scoring droughts. Defensive lapses. Self-doubt. These are all phases that championship teams endure, which if handled properly, enhance character and harden resolve on the long and often winding road to become the top club in its league. The 1999 MLS playoffs will determine whether or not Head Coach Glenn Myernick's Colorado Rapids have the collective heart of a champion.

With the team 12-4 at the All-Star break and a nine-point lead atop the Western Conference, injuries began to slow the Rapids, at one point to a trickle. Anders Limpar (the Swedish import and Premier League veteran



Marcelo Balboa helped the Rapids lower their goals against average from 2.16 last year to 1.22 in 1999

that runs Colorado's possession game), Paul Bravo (the team's all-time leading scorer), Ross Paule (the third-year player known for his creativity and hard-nosed midfield play), Joey DiGiamarino (the rising young American flank player who graduated from the Project-40 program) and Jason Bent (the 23-year-old Canadian defender/midfielder whose poise and dependability helped solidify the defense) missed nearly 50 combined starts. The transfer of goalkeeper Marcus Hahnemann to the English First Division just 13 games into the campaign only complicated matters. Heading into the MLS postseason, Colorado had scored just three goals in its last 12 MLS regular season games.

An eight-game stretch that saw Colorado score just three times and fall from first to third in the tightly-contested West confounded observers who had seen the potent trio of Bravo, Jorge Dely Valdes (the league leader with seven game-winning goals) and Wolde Harris combine for more than 25 goals earlier in the year.

The drought was extended into the U.S. Open Cup Final, where Colorado was the Rochester Rhinos' fourth MLS victim and became the first MLS club to fail to hoist the Dewar Cup since 1996.

However, with Myernick's defensive backbone of Marcelo Balboa, captain Peter Vermes and defensive midfielder Matt McKeon standing strong in front of goalkeeper lan Feuer (eight shutouts in 19 games), Colorado has all the tools to battle adversity and emerge from the Western Conference.

#### RAPIDS ROSTER

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Note
23	Kevin Anderson	M	5-6	155	28	Scored USL Goal of the Year in 1998
17	Marcelo Balboa	D	6-1	175	32	"Iron Man" has appeared for U.S. in a #1 all-time 126 games
5	Jason Bent	D/M	5-9	165	22	Dreadlocked defender shows skill on the attack
9	Paul Bravo	M	6-0	175	31	Rapids' "Mr. Versatility" plays all over the field
11	Jorge Dely Valdes	F	6-1	175	32	Clutch goal-scorer dials long distance after Rapids' goals
22	Joey DiGiamarino	D	5-10	160	22	Rising young American star solid, despite injuries
24	lan Feuer	GK	6-6	220	28	Tallest player in MLS notched 5 shutouts in first 13 games
13	Wolde Harris	F	5-10	190	25	"Shakin' Jamaican" vital to Rapids' attack
15	Tahj Jakins	D	6-2	182	23	Rapids' #1 pick in '97 subs often in midfield, defense
18	Guillermo Jara	F	5-8	145	26	Four-year MLS veteran adds depth to Colorado midfield
10	Anders Limpar	M	5-8	161	34	Swedish Premier League vet fuels Rapids engine
8	Tim Martin	D	5-11	165	32	Clash veteran filled in admirably for injured Rapids defenders
14	Chris Martinez	D	6-2	190	28	Colorado native can produce all along back line
2	Matt McKeon	D	6-2	190	25	"The Train" fuels the fire as Colorado enforcer
20	Ross Paule	M	5-10	160	23	One of many Rapids playmakers in midfield
16	Darren Sawatzky	F	5-10	160	26	Speedy winger on third MLS team
7	David Vaudreuil	D/M	5-7	158	32	Staunch right back won two MLS Cups with D.C. United
6	Peter Vermes	D/M	6-1	175	32	Rapids captain hopes to celebrate 11/21 birthday with Cup title
12	Marquis White	M/F	5-7	145	30	Quicksilver forward forged reputation with USL



WON 19 LOST 13 PTS. 51 POS. 2ND

#### LEADING SCORER

JASON KREIS
GOALS 18 ASSISTS 15 PTS. 51

#### SCOREBOARD

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE
March 20	Kansas City	4-0
March 28	@ Los Angeles	0-1 (SO)
April 10	@ Chicago	1-0 (SO)
April 15	@ Miami	1-2 (50)
April 18	Tampa Bay	2-1
April 24	Columbus	2-0
April 30	@ San Jose	1-2 (50)
May 8	Colorado	1-2 (50)
May 15	San Jose	2-1
May 22	@ San Jose	1-2 (SO)
May 26	Miami	2-1
June 5	@ MetroStars	5-2
June 12	@ Kansas City	0-1
June 16	DC United	3-0
June 19	@ Colorado	1-2
June 26	New England	2-0
July 2	@ Chicago	1-2 (SO)
July 4	Chicago	1-2
July 10	Kansas City	5-0
July 24	@ Columbus	1-4
July 31	Colorado	0-2
August 4	MetroStars	2-0
August 14	@ Los Angeles	0-2
August 18	@ Colorado	3-0
August 22	Chicago	4-3 (SO)
August 28	Los Angeles	1-0
Sept. 4	@ DC United	1-4
Sept. 11	San Jose	1-0
Sept. 18	@ Kansas City	2-1(SO)
Sept. 24	@ New England	1-0
Oct. 3	Los Angeles	4-3
Oct. 10	@ Tampa Bay	2-1

#### SIZZLING STRIKER



Jason Kreis became the first 15-goal, 15-assist player in league history and just the fourth player in four MLS seasons to surpass the 50-point plateau.

#### ON THE BENCH



HEAD COACH: David Dir ASSISTANT COACH: Oscar Pisano

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#### WESTERN CONFERENCE

## DALLAS BURN

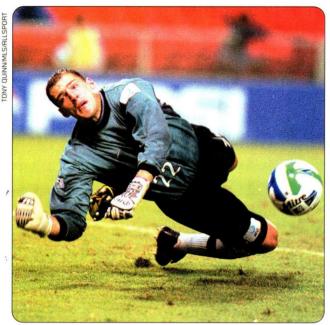
Teams who advance far into a postseason tournament know the value of a hot goalkeeper or a hot striker. If you have both, then "unstoppable" becomes the word bandied about when describing such a team. For Head Coach David Dir's Dallas Burn squad, which has alternately relied on both goalkeeper Matt Jordan (allowing 1.08 goals per game) and forward Jason Kreis (the 1999 Budweiser Scoring Champion), the potential for a memorable fourth season is on the horizon. In fact, Dallas entered the MLS postseason as the hottest team in the league, with five consecutive victories (and eight wins in its last nine games) to close out the regular season.

With the exception of winning the 1997 U.S. Open Cup tournament, the Burn has been an average MLS team (48-48 all-time in the first three seasons). However, 1999 has seen the veteran team, with its core from the 1996 inaugural season largely intact, raise the level of play with the influx of some new faces. The attack was bolstered at the trade deadline with the acquisition of a world-class striker, Ecuadorian Ariel Graziani, who promptly

scored in each of his first four games with the Burn.

Several players contribute both offensively and defensively for this flexible squad, where veterans such as Chad Deering, Ted Eck, Jorge Rodriguez and Mark Santel fill various roles in the midfield and on defense. Captain Richard Farrer and defender Brandon Pollard man the back-line flanks, while Oscar Pareja and rookie Sergi Daniv provide the creative spark in midfield.

Dir has extraordinary depth on his bench as well, with all-star forward Dante Washington, 1996 MLS Goalkeeper of the Year Mark Dodd, Eric Dade, Temoc Suarez and John Jairo Trellez ready at all times. One of only four MLS teams to advance to the playoffs all four seasons, the Burn hopes that this is the year it finally wins the Western Conference and a berth at MLS Cup '99 in Foxboro.



After playing just half a game in '98, Matt Jordan played in 29 games and tied for second in MLS with a 1.08 goals against average in '99

#### **BURN ROSTER**

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Note
21	Lazo Alavanja	M	5-11	165	22	Indiana Hoosier rookie recovering from knee injury
4	Paul Broome	M	5-9	150	23	Hometown product learning by watching
2	Eric Dade	D	6-1	190	29	Veteran defender produces as sub, spot starter
23	Sergi Daniv	M	5-7	149	24	Rookie Project-40 player raising eyebrows with skill
15	Chad Deering	M	6-1	165	29	World Cup '98 veteran provides Dallas' passion
1	Mark Dodd	GK	6-2	180	34	'96 Goalkeeper of the Year suffered injury in preseason
41	Ted Eck	M	6-1	185	33	Four-year MLS veteran can run all day
18	Richard Farrer	M/D	6-0	175	28	Burn captain, solid anchor for Burn transition game
20	Ariel Graziani	F	6-0	165	28	Ecuadorian sensation scored goal in first four Burn contests
13	Brian Haynes	M	6-0	170	37	American soccer vet provides speed, savvy on flanks
22	Matt Jordan	GK	6-2	185	24	One of league's top three 'keepers played just 45 min. in '98
9	Jason Kreis	M	5-8	155	26	Battled Lassiter for 1999 Budweiser Scoring Championship
8	Oscar Pareja	M	5-8	150	31	Colombian playmaker quietly gets job done
12	Brandon Pollard	D	5-10	165	26	Defensive stalwart is one of Dir's favorites
19	Bobby Rhine	F	5-10	171	23	UConn rookie hasn't seen much time this season
17	Jorge Rodriguez	D/M	5-9	155	28	"Zarco" ("green-eyed") is one of MLS' most complete players
7	Mark Santel	D/M	5-10	165	30	Battles through injury and plays wherever asked
16	Temoc Suarez	M	5-7	155	24	UNC product demonstrates playmaking flashes of brilliance
11	John Jairo Trellez	F	5-11	172	31	Dreadlocked forward showed penchant for scoring
10	Dante Washington	F	5-11	190	28	Injury-marred season slowed down "Dante's Inferno"
5	Kirk Wilson	M	5-10	155	22	Drake product starred for USL's El Paso Patriots



WON 8 LOST 24 PTS. 20 POS. 6TH

#### LEADING SCORER

#### PREKI

GOALS 7 ASSISTS 11 PTS. 25

#### **SCOREBOARD**

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE
March 20	@ Dallas	0-4
March 27	Chicago	0-3
April 3	New England	0-1
April 10	San Jose	1-2 (SO)
April 17	@ Colorado	1-2 (SO)
April 24	@ Miami	0-1
April 28	Columbus	0-1
May 8	Los Angeles	1-0
May 15	DC United	3-4 (SO)
May 22	@ Chicago	1-3
June 6	@ Los Angeles	0-1
June 12	Dallas	1-0
June 20	MetroStars	6-0
June 26	@ DC United	0-3
July 3	@ Tampa Bay	2-1 (SO)
July 7	Colorado	1-2
July 10	@ Dallas	0-5
July 22	Tampa Bay	4-3
July 25	@ Los Angeles	1-2
July 31	San Jose	3-2 (SO)
August 5	Chicago	1-2
August 8	@ Columbus	1-2
August 14	@ MetroStars	2-1
August 25	@ Chicago	0-2
August 29	Miami	2-0
Sept. 4	@ San Jose	0-2
Sept. 7	@ New England	2-3
Sept. 11	@ Colorado	0-1(SO)
Sept. 18	Dallas	1-2 (SO)
Sept. 25	Colorado	0-1 (SO)
Oct. 6	@ San Jose	0-1
Oct. 9	Los Angeles	0-1

#### COOL 'KEEPER



Wizards 'keeper Tony Meola returned from knee surgery to play the final nine games in 1999, and looks to get back with the U.S. National Team next year.

#### ON THE BENCH



HEAD COACH:
Bob Gansler
ASSISTANT COACH:
Ken Fogarty

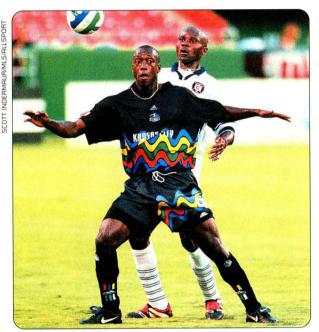
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#### WESTERN CONFERENCE

## KANSAS CITY WIZARDS

Live new players, including two members of the United States' 1990 World Cup team and another with World Cup 1994 and 1998 experience for the U.S., were counted upon this year to help the Wizards return to Western Conference prominence after a dismal 1998 campaign. However, it wasn't until the coach of that 1990 World Cup squad, Bob Gansler, was added seven games into the season that Kansas City's fortunes turned for the better.

Despite the preseason additions of goalkeeper Tony Meola and midfielder Chris Henderson, both of whom were important parts of the United States' first World Cup squad in 40 years, and defender Alexi Lalas, the first American to appear in Italy's famed Serie A, the Wizards dropped their first seven games of the 1999 season, the worst start in league history. After Ron Newman, the team's original coach, and interim coach Ken Fogarty went 0-7, Gansler was tapped, stopped the bleeding and went a respectable 8-10 in his first 18 games.



Wizards forward Alex Bunbury scored two of MLS' top 25 goals of the 1999 season

Gansler's development of young players such as midfielder Chris Klein, forward Chris Brown, midfielder Brian Johnson and defender Scott Vermillion helped the team grow with veterans Henderson, Lalas, Preki, Mo Johnston, Uche Okafor and Sean Bowers. Meola, who suffered a severe knee injury three days before the season opener and missed the first 23 games of the season, became the fourth and most poised goal-keeper of the season to guide the Wizards defense.

Canadian international Alex Bunbury proved to be a force up top, scoring four goals and adding four assists after joining the team in midseason. Other young players such as Project-40 midfielder Francisco Gomez, second-year midfielders Brandon Prideaux and Vicente Figüeroa, and Jake Dancy and Nino Da Silva also saw increased time with Gansler at them helm, preparing this talented team to put the pieces together in 2000.

#### WIZARDS ROSTER

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Note
6	Sean Bowers	D	6-2	185	31	MLS' all-time block leader
8	Chris Brown	F	5-11	165	22	Portland rookie showed speed and guile on attack
9	Alex Bunbury	F	6-1	187	32	Canadian international is deadly in the air
23	Nino Da Silva	M	5-7	150	20	Father Batata starred in Mexico
13	Vicente Figueroa	M	5-6	140	22	Raw talent claimed off waivers from San Jose
21	Francisco Gomez	M	5-11	170	20	Project-40 product hoping to contribute next year
19	Chris Henderson	M	5-10	150	28	Notched four assists in 1 game for just 2nd time in MLS history
5	Brian Johnson	M	5-7	150	25	Has played everywhere but goalkeeper for Wizards
10	Mo Johnston	M/F	5-9	160	36	Fiery attacker with storied history, perennial All-Star
17	Chris Klein	M	6-1	180	23	Clutch goals put Klein in battle with Preki for team scoring lead
22	Alexi Lalas	D	6-3	195	29	Most recognizable American soccer player loved Kansas City
1	Tony Meola	GK	6-1	205	30	Reconstructed knee looked solid in late '99 return to action
20	Uche Okafor	D	6-3	190	32	Solid defender, starred for '94 Nigerian National Team
11	Preki	M	5-9	165	36	One of MLS' most feared attackers, holds numerous records
2	Brandon Prideaux	D	6-1	180	23	Univ. of Washington product worked into defensive rotation
18	Chris Snitko	GK	6-3	195	26	UCLA 'keeper thrown into fire after Meola injury
12	Vitalis Takawira	F	5-9	145	27	Original Wizard recently appeared in 100th MLS game
4	Scott Uderitz	D	5-10	175	29	Missed most of '99 with knee reconstruction
26	Jesse Van Saun	F	5-9	160	23	St. John's Univ. forward hoping to see more time next year
15	Scott Vermillion	D	5-11	175	22	Hard-nosed player, victim of several bizarre injuries



WON 20 LOST 12

#### LEADING SCORER

COBI JONES
GOALS 8 ASSISTS 8 PTS. 24

#### **SCOREBOARD**

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE
March 20	Colorado	2-1 (SO)
March 28	Dallas	1-0 (SO)
April 3	@ San Jose	1-2 (SO)
April 8	Columbus	1-2 (SO)
April 17	@ Chicago	0-1
April 24	San Jose	1-0
May 1	@ MetroStars	1-0 (SO)
May 8	@ Kansas City	0-1
May 15	Tampa Bay	0-1 (SO)
May 23	New England	1-0
May 29	@ Columbus	1-2 (SO)
June 6	Kansas City	1-0
June 12	Chicago	2-1
June 19	@ DC United	2-1
June 27	@ Tampa Bay	4-2
July 4	Miami	1-2
July 11	@ New England	5-2
July 25	Kansas City	2-1
July 28	@ Colorado	0-1
July 31	@ Chicago	1-0
August 7	@ San Jose	4-1
August 14	Dallas	2-0
August 21	MetroStars	4-1
August 28	@ Dallas	0-1
Sept. 1	San Jose	3-1
Sept. 4	@ Miami	2-1
Sept. 11	Chicago	1-0
Sept. 18	@ Colorado	0-1
Sept. 25	DC United	0-2
Sept. 29	Colorado	4-0
Oct. 3	@ Dallas	3-4
Oct. 9	@ Kansas City	1-0

#### SALVADORAN STAR



Galaxy midfielder Mauricio Cienfuegos set a career high with 17 assists in 1999 and hopes to add to his leagueleading seven alltime playoff assists.

#### ON THE BENCH



HEAD COACH: Sigi Schmid ASSISTANT COACH: Ralph Perez

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#### WESTERN CONFERENCE

### LOS ANGELES GALAXY

In 1998, the Los Angeles Galaxy set lofty standards, scoring 85 goals in 32 games, posting a 24-8 record and displaying an offensive efficiency that made opposing defenses shudder. This season, with only two shootout wins and three goals in the first five games, the team dismissed attacking-minded Octavio Zambrano and brought in UCLA coaching legend Sigi Schmid, who had placed no fewer than nine former Bruins on the Galaxy roster.

Under Schmid, the team went 17-9, including a 15-6 run following the acquisition of Costa Rican midfielder Roy Myers from the MetroStars. Myers gave the Galaxy a second playmaker in the midfield alongside Salvadoran

sensation Mauricio Cienfuegos, the league's number three all-time assist man (56 assists).

The attack, which also features legendary Mexican striker Carlos Hermosillo, the quicksilver Cobi Jones and young sniper Clint Mathis, is so amazingly balanced that Los Angeles is the only MLS playoff team which does not feature a 10-goal scorer. Jones led the team in scoring with eight goals and eight assists for 24 points.

The key to the Galaxy's 1999 success has been the emphasis and execution on defense, which for the second consecutive season allowed the fewest goals of any team in MLS. Led by goalkeeper Kevin Hartman, who last season set a league mark for wins in a season and this year became the first netminder to average less than a 1.00 goals against average (0.91 GAA) during the course of a season, also features numerous star-quality personalities. Captain Robin Fraser and veteran Paul Caligiuri, both U.S. National Team standouts, guide young players Ezra Hendrickson, Steve Jolley and Joe Franchino.

With midfielders Greg Vanney, Simon Elliott and young forwards Marvin Quijano and Seth George, Schmid has numerous possibilities to battle whatever challenges Los Angeles may face in its bid to return to Foxboro.



Galaxy midfielder Cobi Jones played in his fourth consecutive MLS All-Star Game in 1999

#### GALAXY ROSTER

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Note
8	Jose Botello	M	6-0	165	23	Project-40 signee from East L.A. has speed, skill
20	Paul Caligiuri	D	5-10	175	35	Ageless veteran continues to contribute
10	Mauricio Cienfuegos	M	5-6	143	31	Salvadoran engine returning to usual form after slow start
12	Simon Elliott	M	5-11	175	23	New Zealander is one of several bright MLS rookies
16	Joe Franchino	D	5-7	140	23	Defensive sub saw more time in midfield last season
4	Robin Fraser	D	6-1	175	32	Galaxy captain worked way back onto U.S. National Team
19	Seth George	M/F	5-9	164	23	Rookie signed in midseason after stint in Europe
22	Kevin Hartman	GK	6-1	174	25	First MLS 'keeper with season GAA under 1.00
17	Ezra Hendrickson	D/M	6-3	185	27	"Beckenbauer of the Caribbean" gets forward from the back
27	Carlos Hermosillo	F	6-2	187	35	Only two active players in the world have scored more goals
7	Zak Ibsen	D	5-11	165	27	UCLA product in second stint with Galaxy after '98 Fire year
5	Steve Jolley	M	6-1	190	24	Galaxy has high hopes for solid young player
13	Cobi Jones	M	5-7	145	29	Nearly won '98 MVP honors; deadly on the attack
14	Clint Mathis	M	5-10	170	23	Slowed by knee injury, but one of league's top young players
17	Roy Myers	M/F	6-1	152	30	Costa Rican native gives LA secondary playmaker/finisher
2	Danny Peña	M	6-0	165	31	Veteran hard man sends shivers down opponents' spines
24	Marvin Quijano	F	5-8	150	20	Project-40 player a surprise fan favorite at Rose Bowl
1	Matt Reis	GK	6-1	196	24	Backup 'keeper, not very busy with Hartman in nets
_	Jorge Salcedo	M	6-1	175	27	Helped Galaxy to MLS Cup '96, back for second tour
3	Greg Vanney	D	5-11	169	25	Solid defender has a cannon leg for left-footed free kicks



WON 19 LOST 13 PTS. 37 POS. 5TH

#### LEADING SCORER

RONALD CERRITOS
GOALS 15 ASSISTS 9 PTS. 39

#### SCOREBOARD

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE
March 20	Chicago	1-3
March 27	Colorado	3-2 (SO)
April 3	Los Angeles	2-1 (SO)
April 10	@ Kansas City	2-1 (SO)
April 17	@ DC United	2-1 (SO)
April 24	@ Los Angeles	0-1
April 30	Dallas	2-1 (SO)
May 9	Columbus	1-2
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June 3	Colorado	4-3
June 12	Tampa Bay	2-1 (SO)
June 19	@ Chicago	0-2
June 26	@ Miami	2-1
June 30	@ Columbus	3-4 (SO)
July 4	DC United	2-1 (SO)
July 8	@ Tampa Bay	1-2
July 23	@ Chicago	3-2 (SO)
July 31	@ Kansas City	2-3 (SO)
August 7	Los Angeles	1-4
August 12	@ New England	2-1
August 21	New England	2-1
August 28	MetroStars	2-1 (SO)
Sept. 1	@ Los Angeles	1-3
Sept. 4	Kansas City	2-0
Sept. 11	@ Dallas	0-1
Sept. 19	Miami	6-1
Sept. 22	@ MetroStars	2-1
Sept. 26	Chicago	2-0
Oct. 2	@ Colorado	0-1 (SO)
Oct. 6	Kansas City	1-0

#### FIESTY FINISHER



San Jose forward Ronald Cerritos scored 15 goals and added nine assists for the Clash in 1999, finishing third among MLS scoring leaders.

#### ON THE BENCH



HEAD COACH: Lothar Osiander ASSISTANT COACH: Jorge Espinoza

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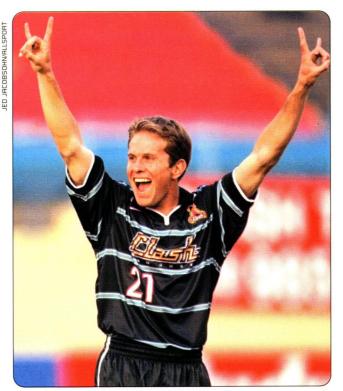
#### WESTERN CONFERENCE

## SAN JOSE CLASH

The 1999 San Jose Clash set team records for wins and most games over .500, but faced one major obstacle: 10 of the wins came via the shootout, which didn't help the Clash climb the Western Conference standings.

A talented team that boasts such young rising stars as midfielder Eddie Lewis, forward Ronald Cerritos and defender Mauricio Wright, San Jose's biggest problem was not scoring goals – the team scored more times than both Los Angeles and Colorado – but stopping the opposition from finding the back of the net.

First-year goalkeeper Joe Cannon took over the starting job between the San Jose pipes a quarter into the



Clash midfielder Eddie Lewis' performance in MLS has helped him earn a starting spot on the U.S. National Team

season, with defenders Wright – perhaps the most skilled defender in the league – and captain John Doyle and Wade Barrett in front of him. The team which at one point in the offseason had only nine players on its roster threw several young players into the MLS fire, with Jamie Clark, Richard Mulrooney, Scott Bower and Jim Conrad standing out..

Late in the season, former Los Angeles Galaxy and U.S. Pro-40 Head Coach Lothar Osiander was tabbed to take over the Clash for Brian Quinn, who went 35-41 in just over two seasons at the San Jose helm. Osiander, a Bay Area resident known for molding young players into successful professionals, coached the U.S. National Team in the early 1990s and guided the amateur San Francisco Greek-Americans to the U.S. Open Cup title before taking the Galaxy to MLS Cup '96. His task at hand in 2000 is continuing the growth of the team and its young players in Major League Soccer's fifth season.

#### **CLASH ROSTER**

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Note
24	Wade Barrett	M	5-8	150	23	Signature lamb-chop sideburns belie no-nonsense defending
9	Scott Bower	M	5-8	160	21	Project-40 midfielder saw early action before injury
27	Dario Brose	M	5-6	150	29	American came home after nearly a decade in Germany
0	Joe Cannon	GK	6-2	190	24	Solid young 'keeper could be Clash starter next season
20	Ronald Cerritos	M/F	5-9	155	24	Salvadoran sensation keeps racking up points
26	Jamie Clark	D	6-1	170	22	Played for father Bobby at Stanford
7	Braeden Cloutier	M	5-11	165	25	Former MetroStar helps form Clash backbone
17	Jimmy Conrad	D	6-2	185	22	Rookie from UCLA improving with every game
3	John Doyle	D	6-3	185	33	Bay-Area soccer veteran runs the show from the back
12	Adam Frye	D	5-8	159	25	Former Mutiny defender hampered by injuries
11	Jair	M	5-8	155	24	Young Portuguese playmaker might be the engine next year
1	David Kramer	GK	6-3	185	27	Four-year MLS veteran ended season in Injured Reserve
21	Eddie Lewis	M	5-10	180	25	U.S. National Team flank midfielder, Clash's brightest star
6	Joey Martinez	D	6-1	150	23	"Never say die" spirit exuded every time he steps on the field
30	Richard Mulrooney	M	5-9	160	23	Another rookie who continues to contribute
4	Leighton O'Brien	M	5-10	155	23	Youngster has bounced around rosters, looking for chance
14	Esmundo Rodriguez	M	5-8	140	22	Knee injury early in season sidelined promising player
23	Alejandro Sequiera	F	5-11	183	24	Costa Rican striker starting to click with Cerritos
22	Mauricio Solis	M	5-8	155	26	Costa Rican playmaker holds ball in midfield well
19	Ryan Tinsley	M	5-9	155	28	Former Fire, Wizards midfielder provides veteran presence
19	Mauricio Wright	D	6-3	175	28	Costa Rican defender demonstrates phenomenal ball skills



WON 19 LOST 13 PTS. 45 POS. 2ND

#### LEADING SCORER

STERN JOHN

GOALS 18 ASSISTS 2 PTS. 38

#### **SCOREBOARD**

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE
March 28	@ MetroStars	0-1
April 3	@ Tampa Bay	3-2
April 8	@ Los Angeles	2-1 (SO)
April 17	@ New England	1-0 (SO)
April 24	@ Dallas	0-2
April 28	@ Kansas City	1-0
May 9	@ San Jose	2-1
May 15	New England	2-0
May 22	Tampa Bay	0-1 (SO)
May 29	Los Angeles	2-1 (SO)
June 5	@ DC United	0-1
June 13	DC United	1-2
June 16	New England	2-1 (SO)
June 26	MetroStars	2-1
June 30	San Jose	4-3 (SO)
July 4	@ Colorado	3-0
July 7	DC United	1-2 (SO)
July 10	@ Miami	0-2
July 24	Dallas	4-1
August 1	Miami	4-0
August 8	Kansas City	2-1
August 14	@ DC United	1-2
August 18	@ MetroStars	4-2
August 22	Tampa Bay	1-2 (SO)
August 27	@ Tampa Bay	1-2
Sept. 4	Colorado	2-1
Sept. 12	MetroStars	1-2
Sept. 18	@ New England	1-0 (SO)
Sept. 23	@ Chicago	2-1
Sept. 26	Miami	2-1
Oct. 3	@ Miami	1-4
Oct. 10	Chicago	2-3 (SO)

#### SCORING ACE



Forward Stern John has scored 44 goals and seven assists in the last two seasons, attracting the interest of several world-renowned European clubs.

#### ON THE BENCH



HEAD COACH: Tom Fitzgerald ASSISTANT COACH: Greg Andrulis

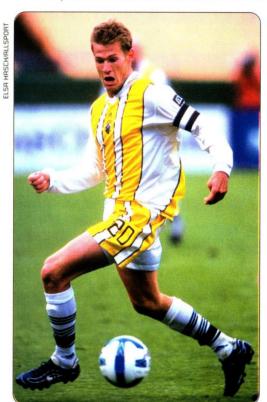
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#### EASTERN CONFERENCE

## COLUMBUS CREW

merica's Hardest Working Team did more than just unveil the most intimate facility in MLS with the May 15 introduction of the new, 22,500-seat soccer-specific Columbus Crew Stadium. Head Coach Tom Fitzgerald's team led the league in attendance, averaging 17,696 fans per game at the venue, and won nearly two-thirds of its games with the passionate and knowledgeable Columbus fans serving as the team's 12th man.

While potent forwards Stern John and Brian McBride capture most of the headlines, it is the Columbus



Known for his goal-scoring talents, Crew forward Brian McBride had a career-high 10 assists in 1999

defense, led by goalkeeper Mark Dougherty, that anchors the Crew. Dougherty and his back line allowed the fewest goals in the Eastern Conference (1.22 per game), with the former Tampa Bay 'keeper surpassing both Tony Meola and Mark Dodd to become the league's winningest netminder and the first to earn 50 MLS wins. Mike Lapper, Thomas Dooley, Mike Clark, John DeBrito and Todd Yeagley have each seen significant time in the back.

John tied D.C.'s Roy Lassiter and Dallas' Jason Kreis for the most MLS goals this season with 18, as the Trinidadian striker had 44 goals and seven assists in two seasons. Opposing defenses must pick their poison as John is bolstered by the presence of U.S. National Team star McBride, who set a career high with 10 assists in '99, and second-year MLS forwards Jeff Cunningham and Brian West, each of whom combine blinding speed with the ability to both finish offensive opportunities and create chances for their teammates.

On the playmaking front, McBride and left-sided midfielder Robert Warzycha joined Brian Maisonneuve as the team's assist leaders, as the three midfielders combined for 30 assists. Adding depth off the bench is Jamaican National Team midfielder Andy Williams, while defender/midfielder Ansil Elcock, John's first cousin, has often come through in the clutch with key goals and assists for this dangerous Crew squad.

#### **CREW ROSTER**

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Note
4	Ubusuku Abukusumo	D	6-2	170	22	Captain of the U.S. Pro-40 developmental A-League team
15	Matt Chulis	D	5-10	155	22	Rookie from Virginia has seen time on back line
3	Mike Clark	D	6-0	170	26	Has appeared in more games than any other Crew player
11	Jeff Cunningham	F	5-8	155	23	Second-year striker bolsters potent Crew attack
24	John DeBrito	M	6-2	168	30	MLS journeyman has found home with Columbus
5	Thomas Dooley	D/M	6-1	170	38	Captain of the U.S. World Cup teams in 1994 and 1998
1	Mark Dougherty	GK	6-2	180	31	First MLS goalkeeper to win 50 games
13	Ansil Elcock	D	5-11	160	30	First cousin of Stern John, dangerous on offensive forays
12	Jason Farrell	M/F	5-10	170	28	Spot starter or sparkplug off bench, Farrell delivers
14	Stern John	F	6-1	180	22	Trinidadian striker quickest MLS player to 100 career points
7	Matt Kmosko	D/M	6-1	173	27	Played in MLS Cup '97 as a member of the Colorado Rapids
2	Mike Lapper	D	6-0	170	29	UCLA product and World Cup '94 vet, Crew hard man in back
10	Brian Maisonneuve	M	5-11	170	26	One of the few bright spots for U.S. team at France '98
20	Brian McBride	F	6-1	170	27	When healthy, one of America's most dangerous strikers
18	Matt Napoleon	GK	6-1	175	22	Project-40 signee was biochemistry major at Columbia
16	Rob Smith	M	5-10	150	26	Crew contributor since inaugural 1996 season
9	Billy Thompson	F	5-6	140	31	UCLA product, Crew veteran for four seasons
19	Robert Warzycha	M	5-8	160	36	"Bob the Freekick Specialist" lethal on set pieces with left foot
17	Brian West	F	5-9	155	21	Speedy second-year player adds valuable dimension to Crew
8	Andrew Williams	F	5-8	155	22	Tallied seven assists in first seven MLS games late in 1998
6	Todd Yeagley	D/M	6-0	170	27	Versatile central defender fills many roles for Crew



WON 23 LOST 9 PTS. 57 POS. 1ST

#### LEADING SCORER

ROY LASSITER
GOALS 18 ASSISTS 11 PTS. 47

#### SCOREBOARD

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE
March 20	@ Tampa Bay	5-2
April 3	@ MetroStars	1-0
April 10	@ New England	3-2 (SO)
April 17	San Jose	1-2 (SO)
April 24	New England	2-3
May 1	@ Chicago	2-3
May 8	MetroStars	2-1
May 15	@ Kansas City	4-3 (SO)
May 22	@ Miami	3-1
May 29	Chicago	3-1
June 5	Columbus	1-0
June 10	Miami	3-1
June 13	@ Columbus	2-1
June 16	@ Dallas	0-3
June 19	Los Angeles	1-2
June 26	Kansas City	3-0
July 4	@ San Jose	1-2 (SO)
July 7	@ Columbus	2-1 (SO)
July 10	Colorado	1-2
July 25	@ New England	2-0
August 8	Tampa Bay	3-2 (SO)
August 11	@ MetroStars	4-1
August 14	Columbus	2-1
August 21	@ Miami	3-2 (SO)
August 25	Miami	3-1
August 28	@ Colorado	1-0
Sept. 4	Dallas	4-1
Sept. 10	@ Tampa Bay	2-1
Sept. 18	MetroStars	2-1 (SO)
Sept. 25	@ Los Angeles	2-0
Oct. 6	Tampa Bay	2-4
Oct. 9	New England	1-2 (SO)

#### TOP DOG



United forward Roy Lassiter is Major League Soccer's all-time leading scorer in the regular season, with 73 goals and 25 assists for 171 points.

#### ON THE BENCH



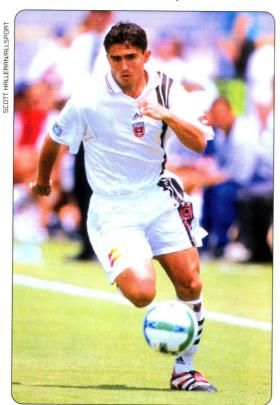
HEAD COACH: Thomas Rongen ASSISTANT COACH: Dave Sarachan

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#### EASTERN CONFERENCE

## D.C. UNITED

In a season that many predicted would bring a changing of the guard atop the Eastern Conference, with the Columbus Crew dethroning perennial league power D.C. United, Head Coach Thomas Rongen went 23-9 with 57 points to claim their third consecutive conference title. Rongen, now coaching his third MLS team (Tampa Bay 1996 and New England 1997/98), injected several new faces into United's 1999 lineup to combat a rash of injuries and games lost to national team duty.



United forward Jaime Moreno is considered by many MLS coaches to be the fastest player with the ball in the league

The United backbone of 1998 Honda MVP Marco Etcheverry, Bolivian striker Jaime Moreno and U.S. sniper Roy Lassiter (second in MLS scoring in 1999) remains intact from last season's playoff run.

While Etcheverry and Moreno missed nearly six weeks of action due to their country's participation in Copa America and the FIFA Confederations Cup, young Americans Antonio Otero, Jason Moore and Ben Olsen filled in as United's offensive catalysts. Olsen, the 1998 MLS Rookie of the Year and a rising star on the U.S. National Team, terrorizes opponents from the right flank with his ability to create and his propensity to finish.

The return of John Maessner, winner of two MLS rings in 1996 and 1997 with United, added to Rongen's depth and flexibility in the midfield.

Defensively, United's top three central defenders – midfielder Richie Williams and defenders Eddie Pope and Carlos Llamosa – missed more than a combined 30 games this season due to injury, while outside defenders Jeff Agoos and Diego Soñora, stalwarts in their own right, were often joined by Geoff Aunger and Carey Talley to shore up the back. Goalkeepers Tom Presthus and Mark Simpson organized the defense that allowed the second-fewest goals in the Eastern Conference, with each netminder reeling off streaks of seven consecutive wins.

#### D.C. UNITED ROSTER

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Player

	,	. 05.			Age	Note
12	Jeff Agoos	D	5-10	175	31	Four-time MLS All-Star now a fixture on U.S. National Team
17	Chris Albright	M/F	6-1	165	20	Scored goal on first touch vs. Jamaica in international debut
5	Geoff Aunger	D	5-11	170	31	"Baby-Faced Assassin" one of league's most feared defenders
33	Judah Cooks	M	6-1	175	22	Project-40 signee is D.Carea native
10	Marco Etcheverry	M	5-10	160	29	"El Diablo" was 1998 MLS MVP and top all-time assist man
21	David Hayes	F	5-10	155	23	Rookie from Wingate College lit up A-League with U.S. Pro-40
15	Roy Lassiter	F	5-8	165	30	1996 Budweiser Scoring Champ could do it again in '99
18	Carlos Llamosa	D	5-11	166	30	Naturalized Colombian is one of Bruce Arena's favorites
11	John Maessner	M	5-10	162	30	Won two rings with D.C. pre-expansion; back for second tour
11	Jason Moore	M	5-11	170	21	Youngster has filled in everywhere as Rongen juggles lineup
9	Jaime Moreno	F	5-10	163	25	Bolivian striker could be MLS' most versatile attacker
14	Ben Olsen	M/F	5-8	140	22	First Pro-40 player to earn All-Star status; rising star for USA
34	Antonio Otero	M	5-11	170	22	Project-40 signee from American U. fills in wherever needed
25	Clint Peay	D	6-0	165	26	Won two championships in '96 and '97; adds depth in back
23	Eddie Pope	D	6-0	175	25	Prototypical American defender battled injuries throughout '99
22	Tom Presthus	GK	6-4	205	24	One of league's top 'keepers, imposing at 6-foot-4
2	Mark Simpson	GK	6-0	180	33	Won ring in '96 and has battled injuries to return to form
4	Diego Soñora	D/M	5-8	165	30	Four-time All-Star, smooth operator in back and on attack
3	Carey Talley	D/M	6-2	180	23	Former Tar Heel answers Rongen's calls anywhere in lineup
16	Richie Williams	M	5-5	145	29	Staunch defensive mid has won championships at every level
7	A.J. Wood	F	6-2	195	26	MLS journeyman/UVA product looks comfortable on DC attack

Age

Note



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#### LEADING SCORER

EDUARDO HURTADO GOALS 7 ASSISTS 3 PTS. 17

#### SCOREBOARD

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE
DATE March 20	@ Miami	3-2 (SO)
March 28	Columbus	1-0
	DC United	0-1
April 3		
April 11	@ Tampa Bay	2-1 (SO) 0-1
April 25	Tampa Bay	
May 1	Los Angeles	0-1 (SO)
May 8	@ DC United	1-2
May 15	Miami	3-2
May 22	@ Colorado	0-2
May 29	New England	3-4 (SO)
June 5	Dallas	2-5
June 12	Colorado	0-1
June 20	@ Kansas City	0-6
June 26	@ Columbus	1-2
June 30	Tampa Bay	2-1 (SO)
July 4	@ New England	2-3
July 10	@ Chicago	0-2
July 24	Miami	0-1
August 4	@ Dallas	0-2
August 7	@ Miami	0-2
August 11	DC United	1-4
August 14	Kansas City	1-2
August 18	Columbus	2-4
August 21	@ Los Angeles	1-4
August 25	New England	1-2 (SO)
August 28	@ San Jose	1-2 (SO)
Sept. 5	Chicago	1-2
Sept. 12	@ Columbus	2-1
Sept. 18	@ DC United	1-2 (SO)
Sept. 22	San Jose	1-2
Sept. 25	@ Tampa Bay	2-1
Oct. 2	@ New England	1-2

#### MIDFIELD MAESTRO



English Premier League standout Sasa Curcic showcased his playmaking skills in 1999 after being acquired at midseason.

#### ON THE BENCH



HEAD COACH: Bora Milutinovic ASSISTANT COACH: Fernando Clavijo

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#### EASTERN CONFERENCE

## **METROSTARS**

ith five coaches and nearly 80 players donning the MetroStars kit during the organization's first four seasons, the team's obvious chemistry problems plagued them yet again in 1999. Head Coach Bora Milutinovic, the only man to guide four countries into the second round of the World Cup, suffered through a season that saw a league-record 12-game losing streak and ensured the 1999 MetroStars with the lowest wins

and points totals in the history of the fouryear-old MLS.

Scoring, or the lack thereof, was the most pressing issue for the MetroStars. While no team in MLS' first three seasons failed to score at least 40 goals, the MetroStars struggled to find the back of the net, scoring just 32 goals and averaging a goal per game. Defensively, the Metros allowed two goals per game, the worst rate in the 12-team league.

However, hope springs eternal for 2000. The most recent German Bundesliga Player of the Year, the legendary Lothar Matthäus, is set to join the New York/New Jersey squad, which hopes to team the only field player to appear in five World Cups with holdovers Sasa Curcic (a flamboyant Serbian who came to MLS in midseason from Crystal Palace), Mark Chung (the first MLS player to play in 100 games and one of just a handful to log 10,000 minutes, and a member of the 1997 AT&T Best 11) and Tab Ramos (the U.S. National Team star whose injuries kept him from all but five MLS games in 1999).

A core of young players that were thrown into the MLS fire should also return, as Billy Walsh, Brian Kelly, Mike Petke and Miles Joseph will look to follow Matthäus' lead.



MetroStars defender Billy Walsh was named the team's 1999 Honda Most Valuable Player

#### METROSTARS ROSTER

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Note
1	Mike Ammann	GK	6-3	205	28	English League vet acquired in exchange for Tony Meola
7	Mark Chung	M	5-7	155	29	First player in MLS history to appear in 100 games
16	Ramiro Corrales	D	6-0	160	22	Starter on left side of MetroStars' defense
11	Sasa Curcic	M	5-9	150	27	Eclectic Serbian from Crystal Palace injured knee on turf
15	Mike Duhaney	D	5-11	165	25	1997 MLS Rookie of the Year while with Tampa Bay
18	Tim Howard	GK	6-2	190	20	Project-40 graduate makes things happen between the pipes
29	Eduardo Hurtado	F	6-3	200	30	"El Tanque" ranks top 5 all-time in most offensive categories
19	Miles Joseph	M/F	5-9	165	25	Four-year veteran has played more Metro games than anyone
2	Nansha Kalonji	F	5-10	175	26	Defender-turned-forward, one of Bora's pet projects
20	Brian Kelly	M	5-7	140	25	Duke product wreaks havoc on left or right wing
5	Mohammed Khakpour	D	5-10	165	30	Iranian National Team defender displays skill in back
4	Kevin Knight	M	6-1	175	23	James Madison rookie saw little action in '99
17	Lawrence Lozzano	F	6-1	185	29	One of only 4 players in '96/'97 with 10 goal-10 assist season
12	Mike Petke	D	6-2	185	23	Fan favorite returning to right back role in Bora's plan
10	Tab Ramos	M	5-7	140	33	First player signed by MLS has battled serious injuries
3	Mark Semioli	D	6-0	175	31	Metro captain also earned law degree while with Galaxy
6	Mike Sorber	M	5-10	165	28	World Cup '94 veteran started career with Kansas City
14	Petter Villegas	F	5-7	140	23	Offensive sparkplug enjoyed cup of coffee with Metros in '96
8	Billy Walsh	M	6-2	185	24	Grew into commanding role this season as team MVP
9	Henry Zambrano	F	5-6	148	26	Colombian striker makes things happen on offense



WON 13 LOST 19 PTS. 29 POS. 4TH

#### LEADING SCORER

HENRY GUTIERREZ GOALS 6 ASSISTS 14 PTS. 26

#### SCOREBOARD

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE
March 20	MetroStars	2-3 (SO)
March 28	New England	2-1 (SO)
April 3	Chicago	1-4
April 10	@ Colorado	1-4
April 15	Dallas	2-1 (SO)
April 24	Kansas City	1-0
May 1	@ Tampa Bay	1-2
May 8	@ New England	0-1 (SO)
May 15	@ MetroStars	2-3
May 22	DC United	1-3
May 26	@ Dallas	1-2
May 29	Tampa Bay	2-1
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July 10	Columbus	2-0
July 24	@ MetroStars	1-0
July 29	Tampa Bay	3-2 (SO)
August 1	@ Columbus	0-4
August 7	MetroStars	2-0
August 14	@ Chicago	2-1 (SO)
August 21	DC United	2-3 (SO)
August 25	@ DC United	1-3
August 29	@ Kansas City	0-2
Sept. 4	Los Angeles	1-2
Sept. 11	New England	2-1 (50)
Sept. 19	@ San Jose	1-6
Sept. 26	@ Columbus	1-2
Oct. 3	Columbus	4-1
Oct. 9	Colorado	2-0

#### WILD WALDO



U.S. Soccer veteran Eric Wynalda scored two goals and added an assist in six games after returning from knee surgery.

#### ON THE BENCH



HEAD COACH: Ivo Wortmann ASSISTANT COACH: Nick Megaloudis

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#### **EASTERN CONFERENCE**

## MIAMI FUSION

Miami Fusion Head Coach Ivo Wortmann could be referred to as "The Mad Professor" with all the tinkering he's done to his team's roster this season. No fewer than eight players who began the season with other teams ventured to South Florida to see significant time in the Fusion lineup, with five of the players starting and one even serving as the team's captain during its battle for the final playoff spot in the Eastern Conference.

With leading scorer Diego Serna injured two-thirds through the 1999 season and goalkeeper Jeff Cassar seeing action in just 15 games, this year's squad has a new look from the team that gave D.C. a scare last season.

Brazilian forward Welton and U.S. National Team striker Eric Wynalda, both castoffs from MLS' west coast teams (Los Angeles and San Jose), compose the Fusion's late-season front line, with Henry Gutierrez, Tyrone Marshall and Nelson Vargas providing the service from midfield. Midfielder/defender Jay Heaps, a solid MLS



Fusion midfielder Henry Gutierrez made his first appearance with the U.S. National Team on September 8 in a 2-2 draw against Jamaica

Rookie of the Year candidate, has shown flashes of brilliance and improved Wortmann's versatility and depth.

The backline was solidified with the arrival of Dutch sweeper Edwin Gorter, who quickly became the team's captain, and former MetroStars hardman Arley Palacios. The surprising emergence in goal of MLS journeyman Garth Lagerwey helped Miami ride through both some hot and cold streaks, but Jeff Cassar appears to be the postseason starter after playing every minute of the final three regular season games.

The dependability of former D.C. United midfielder Brian Kamler and second-year Fusion star Leo Cullen will be counted upon.

While the Fusion struggled to overcome a dismal start to finally clinch a playoff berth on the last day of the regular season, Wortmann appears to have many of the pieces in place as the onetime expansion team looks toward the millenium.

#### **FUSION ROSTER**

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Note
23	Jeff Bilyk	M	5-7	145	22	"The Bullet" claimed off waivers from Columbus
1	Jeff Cassar	GK	6-2	190	25	Team MVP last season has battled numerous injuries this year
2	Leo Cullen	D	5-8	160	23	Solid defender getting consistent looks from Bruce Arena
10	Edwin Gorter	M	5-10	170	36	Dutch veteran deadly on freekicks; Fusion captain
20	Henry Gutierrez	M	5-7	150	31	League's only Cuban-American making name for himself in '99
6	Jay Heaps	D/M	5-9	150	23	Rookie from Duke hoping to win '99 Rookie of the Year award
7	Brian Kamler	D/M	6-1	175	27	Two-time champion at D.C. United brings veteran presence
21	Alen Kozic	D/M	6-0	170	23	Local product (FIU) signed Project-40 in 1998
5	Tony Kuhn	F	6-2	185	23	Imposing striker, shootout specialist for Fusion
26	Garth Lagerwey	GK	6-0	195	26	Has performed admirably for fourth MLS team
15	Tyrone Marshall	M/F	6-2	190	24	Hometown product gets better every game
19	Saul Martinez	F	5-8	156	23	Discovered in an open tryout, has penchant for clutch goals
25	Pablo Mastroeni	D/M	5-9	150	23	Second-year player forging solid reputation
22	Arley Palacios	D	6-1	175	26	Colombian hard man, a bruiser in the box
24	Maurizio Rocha	M	5-9	165	23	Skilled UConn product signed Project-40 earlier this year
14	Jim Rooney	M	6-0	165	31	Veteran of USL provides depth in midfield and defense
4	Tim Sahaydak	D	6-1	168	22	Project-40 signee fought through knee injuries to see time
17	Diego Serna	F	5-10	175	26	Fusion's all-time leading scorer doubtful for playoffs (knee)
8	Nelson Vargas	M	5-7	150	25	Playmaking wizard comes off the bench to change pace
16	Welton	M/F	5-9	145	24	In just half a season, has become team's #3 all-time scorer
9	Eric Wynalda	F	6-1	172	30	American soccer icon, scored first goal in MLS history



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#### LEADING SCORER

JOE-MAX MOORE GOALS 15 ASSISTS 8 PTS. 38

#### SCOREBOARD

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE
March 28	@ Miami	1-2 (SO)
April 3	@ Kansas City	1-0
April 10	DC United	2-3 (SO)
April 17	Columbus	0-1 (SO)
April 24	@ DC United	3-2
May 1	Colorado	1-2
May 8	Miami	1-0 (SO)
May 15	@ Columbus	0-2
May 23	@ Los Angeles	0-1
May 29	@ MetroStars	4-3 (SO)
June 5	Chicago	2-0
June 13	Miami	4-3 (SO)
June 16	@ Columbus	1-2 (SO)
June 19	@ Tampa Bay	3-2
June 26	@ Dallas	0-2
July 4	MetroStars	3-2
July 11	Los Angeles	2-5
July 25	DC United	0-2
July 31	@ Tampa Bay	1-4
August 6	@ Colorado	0-1 (SO)
August 12	San Jose	1-2
August 18	Tampa Bay	0-1
August 21	@ San Jose	1-2
August 25	@ MetroStars	2-1 (SO)
August 28	@ Chicago	1-2
Sept. 4	Tampa Bay	1-5
Sept. 7	Kansas City	3-2
Sept. 11	@ Miami	1-2 (SO)
Sept. 18	Columbus	0-1 (SO)
Sept. 24	Dallas	0-1
Oct. 2	MetroStars	2-1
Oct. 9	@ DC United	2-1 (SO)

#### MAIN MAN MOORE



Revolution forward Joe-Max Moore scored 15 goals in 1999, nearly 40% of his team's total – the highest ratio in the league this season.

#### THE STOPPER



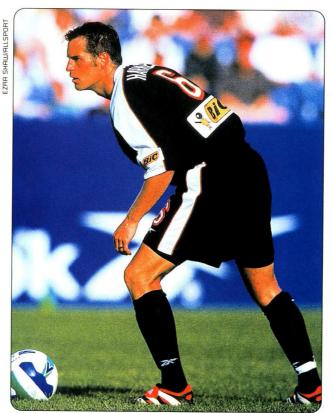
Ivan McKinley's move from midfield to central defense at midseason improved the club's back line

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#### **EASTERN CONFERENCE**

## NEW ENGLAND REVS

or the second time in as many years, New England replaced its coach late in the season. Former goalkeeper/"magic man" Walter Zenga, the first full-time player/coach in MLS history, was replaced by former Liverpool star Steve Nicol. However, the highly-potent strike force of Joe-Max Moore and Giovanni Savarese was not enough for New England to avoid an extended midseason losing streak and finish out of the Eastern



Revolution midfielder John Harkes' solid play in MLS earned him a call-up to the U.S. National Team for the Confederations Cup

Conference playoffs for the third time in four years.

The Revolution front office brought in veterans Savarese, John Harkes, Leonel Alvarez and four others to create an extremely talented team which then searched for a way to play together.

Savarese and Moore teamed to provide nearly 70% of the Revolution's goals, with speedy youngsters Johnny Torres and Jamar Beasley coming off the bench to provide a change of pace. Late-season acquisition Jeff Baicher became the team's main playmaker, teaming with Harkes and two-time MLS Cup winner Kris Kelderman in the midfield.

Veteran defenders Dan Calichman, Ivan McKinley, Ted Chronopoulos, Mike Burns and Mario Gori have manned the back line in front of goalkeeper Jeff Causey as the team tried to retool its formula for 2000.

With the glut of MLS Cup, World Cup and high-level international experience on the Revolution squad, New England could be a tough team to face should it find a way to play the way winning teams do – together.

#### REVOLUTION ROSTER

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Note
14	Leonel Alvarez	M	5-10	160	24	Colombian World Cup veteran acquired from Dallas
8	Imad Baba	M	5-10	170	25	Original Rev appeared in just a handful of games in '99
88	Jeff Baicher	F	5-10	160	31	Versatile attacker acquired late in season from San Jose
22	Jamar Beasley	F	5-10	160	20	Young forward show flashes of brilliance off bench
4	Mike Burns	D	5-9	165	29	Only U.S. player to play on every level of men's national team
3	Dan Calichman	D	6-0	180	31	Was the Galaxy's captain on road to MLS Cup '96
26	Jeff Causey	GK	6-3	195	28	Earned ring in '96 with D.C.; Revs' shootout specialist
5	Ted Chronopoulos	D	6-0	168	27	Four-year MLS veteran earning recognition as solid defender
19	Chaka Daley	D	6-2	185	25	Providence College product kicked around USL before MLS
21	Paulo Dos Santos	M	5-10	160	25	Exciting playmaker fills many roles for Revolution
2	Brian Dunseth	D	6-0	170	22	Defensive stalwart still honing game
10	Mario Gori	D/M	5-7	165	26	MLS veteran has two championship rings from days at D.C.
6	John Harkes	M	5-11	165	32	"Captain America" provides leadership for New England
18	Paul Keegan	F	6-0	165	26	Veteran forward owns knack for clutch goals
12	Kris Kelderman	D	6-1	185	30	United/Fusion veteran brings depth and experience to team
7	Ivan McKinley	M	6-2	180	30	Emotional veteran often fires up team, opponents, referees
9	Joe-Max Moore	M/F	5-9	150	28	Team's all-time leading scorer one of league's purest attackers
16	Carlos Parra	M	6-0	165	22	Connecticut native was the first player to sign with Project-40
17	Giovanni Savarese	F	6-0	180	28	Venezuelan international recently tallied 50th career MLS goal
20	Johnny Torres	M	5-8	140	23	"El Torito" bulls way through opposing defenses



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#### LEADING SCORER

RAUL DIAZ ARCE GOALS 13 ASSISTS 7 PTS. 33

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June 30	@ MetroStars	1-2 (SO)
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August 13	Colorado	2-1
August 18	@ New England	1-0
August 22	@ Columbus	2-1 (SO)
August 27	Columbus	2-1
Sept. 4	@ New England	5-1
Sept. 10	DC United	1-2
Sept. 17	@ Chicago	1-2 (SO)
Sept. 25	MetroStars	1-2
Oct. 6	@ DC United	4-2
Oct. 10	Dallas	1-2

#### MIDFIELD MAGICIAN



The return of Carlos Valderrama lit a fire under the Mutiny, who hope that Major League Soccer's #2 all-time assist man gets his shot at a title in '99.

#### ON THE BENCH



**HEAD COACH:** Tim Hankinson ASST. COACHES: Perry Van Der Beck Frank Yallop

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#### EASTERN CONFERENCE

## TAMPA BAY MUTINY

ike his Eastern Conference counterparts in Miami and New England, Tampa Bay Mutiny Head Coach Tim Hankinson searched far and wide for new blood to change his team in the middle of the season. However, Hankinson's reclamation projects, which include the rescuing of players off MLS benches, a foreign acquisition and even a much-publicized homecoming, paid immediate dividends.

Laying the foundation for the Mutiny resurgence was the arrival of superb midfielder Carlos "El Pibe" Valderrama, the Colombian superstar who guided Tampa Bay to the league's best record in 1996 during an MVP season. Valderrama's stellar vision and sensational playmaking skills energized the play of striker Musa Shannon and midfielders Steve Ralston and Mauricio Ramos.

Shoring up the defense was the early-season trade for former Colorado captain Steve Trittschuh, who started

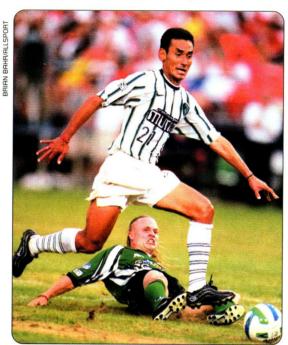
91 consecutive games entering 1999.

Five of Hankinson's seven key acquisitions took place after the All-Star break, when the Mutiny defeated New England three times and Columbus twice to open the second half of the season and make its move.

Forward Raul Diaz Arce, the league's #2 alltime leading scorer (69 goals, 23 assists, 161 pts.) was unable to find his touch in San Jose, but scored nine goals in 13 games with Tampa Bay.

Manny Lagos and Ritchie Kotschau, languishing on the end of the bench with defending champion Chicago, combined for seven goals and seven assists late in the season for the Mutiny. Ghanaian defender Joseph Addo, long pursued by several MLS teams, instantly added depth to a defense anchored by 'keeper Scott Garlick, the MLS Cup '97 and InterAmerican Cup-winning netminder from D.C. United.

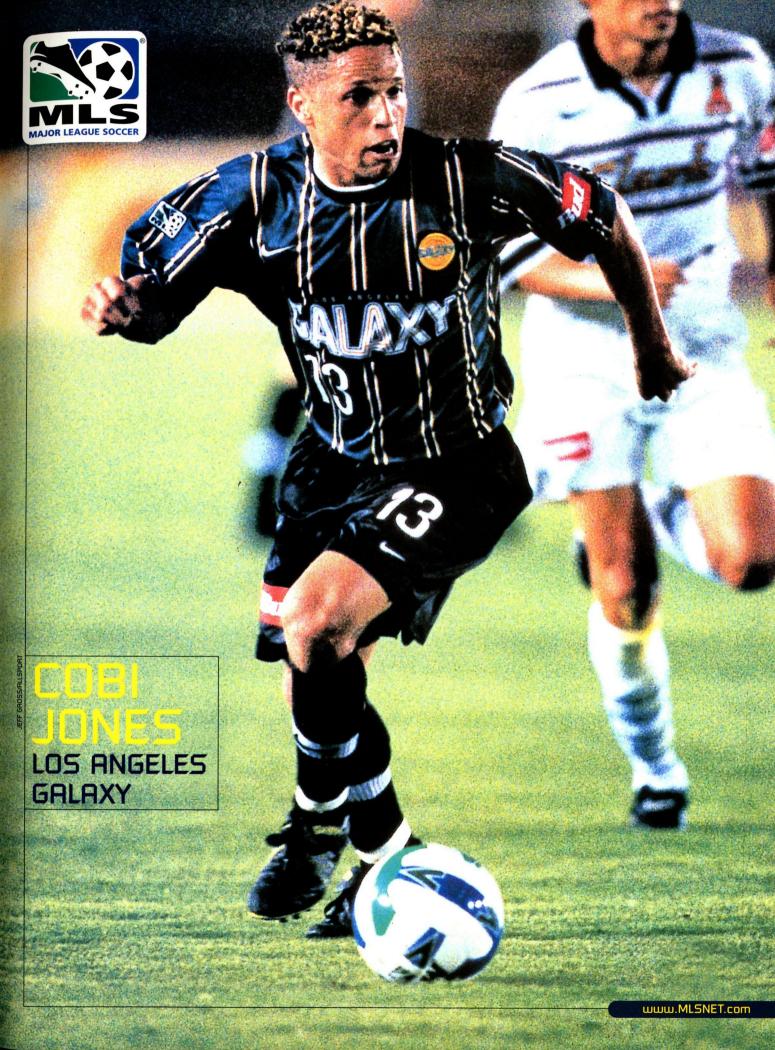
Mutiny captain Dominic Kinnear, the only three-year MLS veteran to have not tasted the playoffs (Colorado 1996, San Jose 1997 and Tampa Bay 1998), will get a shot this season as the Mutiny are poised and ready to shake things up in the East.



Mutiny forward Raul Diaz Arce ranks second all-time in MLS scoring with 69 goals and 23 assists for 161 points

#### **MUTINY ROSTER**

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Note
18	Joe Addo	D	6-0	165	28	Ghanaian defender pursued by many MLS teams
28	Cesar Alvarado	M	5-8	155	20	Young player discovered in urban L.A. semi-pro leagues
21	Raul Diaz Arce	F	5-9	160	29	Salvadoran striker sparked Mutiny turnaround this season
1	Scott Garlick	GK	6-2	185	27	D.C.'s championship 'keeper holds things together in back
23	Daniel Hernandez	M	5-10	165	23	Young talent has great potential for Mutiny
20	Chris Houser	D	6-3	195	26	"The Undertaker" battled colitis to return for playoffs
19	Josh Keller	M	5-10	155	24	UCLA product, one of league's most solid defensive midfielders
8	Dominic Kinnear	M	5-11	155	32	Mutiny captain; playoff jinx should end this season
22	Andy Kirk	GK	6-0	177	32	Backup 'keeper signed Project-40 two seasons ago
33	Ritchie Kotschau	D	5-10	170	23	Adds depth and talent to Mutiny defensive pool
11	Manny Lagos	M	6-0	165	28	Has resurrected injury-laden career in Tampa Bay
12	Pete Marino	F	5-7	145	26	"Sneaky Pete" has penchant for shockingly clutch goals
5	Chad McCarty	D	5-11	175	22	Young defender could be National Team stalwart in future
13	Caleb Porter	M	5-9	155	24	Indiana defender claimed off waivers from San Jose
88	Alan Prampin	F	5-7	165	27	Team's leading '98 scorer hampered by injuries this season
15	Eric Quill	F	6-0	165	20	Project-40 player learning from the best in Diaz Arce
14	Steve Ralston	M	5-9	150	25	First player in MLS to log 10,000 minutes; '96 Rookie of the Yea
10	Mauricio Ramos	M/F	5-9	160	30	Bolivian National Teamer heated up in second half of season
7	Musa Shannon	M/F	5-11	170	24	Talented striker develops more consistency each season
3	Steve Trittschuh	D	6-0	170	34	World Cup '90 veteran, dangerous in the air
17	Carlos Valderrama	M	5-9	157	38	"El Pibe" runs the attack like no other player in the world



## Kids Mids Drugs

By Barry R. McCaffrey Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy **P** arents need to communicate early and often to kids a clear, nouse message about marijuana and other drug use. Youngsters whose parents ingrain this information at an early age are much less likely to try marijuana than those whose parents avoid the topic.

Mothers and fathers have a profound impact on children. Parents should not fear that introducing the topic of illicit drugs will "put ideas" into kids' heads. Rather, parents and other mentors must warn young people about potential dangers so that when confronted with these substances, kids will know what to do.

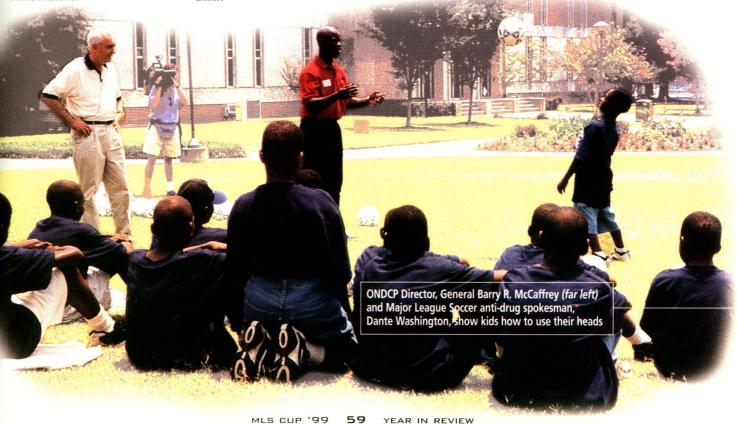
Parent power is enormous. Both moms and dads need to be engaged in their children's lives, since this has a tremendous impact on the well-being of the children. Open lines of communication can help reduce the use of marijuana and other harmful drugs that plague young people.

The White House Office of National Drug Control Policy website (www.theantidrug.com) is filled with information for parents who want to address this serious topic with teens and younger children.

#### TIPS FOR PARENTS

- Talk to your kids about drugs.
   Speak about the harm they can cause. It is important not to react in a way that cuts off further discussion.
- 2. Be prepared to answer if your child asks the common question: "Did you ever use drugs?" This opportunity provides an occasion for parents to speak frankly about what attracted them to drugs, why drugs are dangerous, what they know now that they didn't know then, and why they want their children to avoid making the same mistake.
- 3. Be firm about why your children shouldn't smoke marijuana. Relate reasons for staying away from drugs in a non-confrontational, loving manner.
- 4. Make clear rules and discuss the consequences of breaking them, Young people are less likely to use drugs if parents set clear rules about not doing so.
- 5. Make your position clear. When a child decides whether or not to use drugs, a crucial consideration is: "what will my parents think?"

- Praise positive behavior.
   Emphasize the things children do correctly and restrain the urge to be critical.
- Learn to listen. Know how to listen and when to talk. Encourage children to tell you about problems and ask for help.
- 8. Offer help dealing with peer pressure. Practice similar scenarios through role-playing. With the right words, children can assert their independence while rejecting bad advice.
- 9. Open an ongoing conversation. The more you communicate with kids, the more comfortable your child will feel about discussing drugs.
- 10. Be a good role model. Demonstrate the compassion, honesty, generosity, and openness you want your children to exhibit.
- 11. Be involved in your children's lives. If you are involved, they'll feel valued and are more likely to respond to you.



U.S. National Team players celebrate Paul Caligiuri's game-winning goal that sent the Americans to their first World Cup in 40 years

## SHOT heard round the world

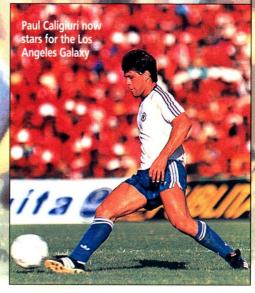
A Look Back at How the USA Advanced to its First World Cup in 40 Years

ovember 20, 1989 had been declared a national holiday by the government of Trinidad & Tobago. But rarely in human annals has an anticipated day of celebration been so undermined by a case of mass depression. The blame for those black clouds rested squarely on the shoulders of a 25-year-old American.

Only 24 hours prior, a miraculous 30-yard, violently dipping left-footed volley by Paul Caligiuri had dashed the islands' hopes of becoming the smallest nation to qualify for the 1990 World Cup. For the first time since shocking England in 1950, the USA had earned a berth in the globe's most prominent sporting event.

It can be argued that no single moment in any athletic contest has so changed its sport's fate in this country as did Caligiuri's blast. Proponents of that sentiment include the man who provided the assist on the thunderous goal.

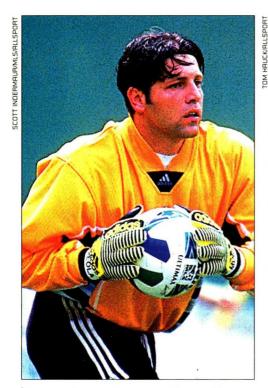
MetroStars midfielder Tab Ramos asserts, "At least half of the things that have happened in U.S. Soccer since would never have occurred if Paul didn't score that goal. I signed in Spain because somebody saw me play in the World Cup. If we didn't go to Italy who knows how prepared our team would have been for the 1994 World



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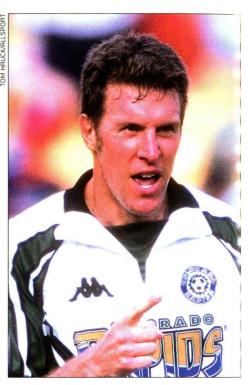
 MetroStars midfielder Tab Ramos on Paul Caligiuri's historic goal that sent the USA to Italia '90



Kansas City's Tony Meola was a 20-year-old starting goalkeeper for the United States in 1989



New England's John Harkes was in the early stages of a long career with the U.S. National Team when the Americans qualified for the 1990 World Cup



Now a defender with Colorado, Peter Vermes started at forward for the United States against Trinidad and Tobago

Cup? And the impact that our team made in 1994 provided the push to get this league (MLS) started. That goal was probably the most important moment that we've had here, at least since I've been playing."

It was also one of the most improbable. In seven prior final round qualification games, the USA had found the back of an opponent's net only five times. Caligiuri's previous 23 international appearances had seen him score just once (ironically also at T & T's expense some four years earlier).

Playing in the unaccustomed role of defensive midfielder that sultry afternoon, his assignment was to shadow the dangerous Trinidad playmaker Russel Latapy. Also of concern; an emerging 17-year-old forward who had just signed with Aston Villa by the name of Dwight Yorke. How unknown was the future Manchester United superstar striker? ESPN's starting lineup had spelled his surname Y-o-r-k.

Months before, the Americans had entered the third stage of the qualification process with cautious optimism. World governing body FIFA had banned traditional CONCACAF powerhouse Mexico from attempting to qualify as a punishment for having used an overage player in a youth international championship.

The task facing U.S. Head Coach Bob Gansler was made far more onerous by a shallow player pool that suffered significantly when the North American Soccer League folded in 1984. In 1989 the only domestic professional soccer of any variety was being played in the Major Indoor Soccer League.

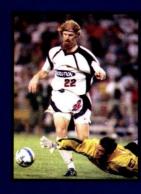
Despite the suggestions of many pundits, Gansler – the current head coach of the Kansas City Wizards – had opted to field a youthful 11 on the road to Italia '90. Experienced pros such as Hugo Perez, Chico Borja, Kevin Crow, and Ricky Davis were largely ignored in

favor of an emerging generation of collegians and recent graduates. Gansler's critics became even louder when he selected what many soccer experts felt was a defensive-oriented lineup that subsequently produced an uninspired 0-0 draw at home two weeks prior with already-eliminated El Salvador. Had the USA won that afternoon in St. Louis, a tie in Trinidad would suffice.

Trinidad & Tobago soccer fans were ready to see the home team make its first trip to the World Cup. On a mercilessly hot day, an overflow red-clad crowd estimated at 35,000 had packed into Port of Spain's National Stadium nearly four hours prior to kickoff. Fans were dancing to calypso music in preparation for the biggest soccer match in the country's history.

Of the American team that took the field that day, only 26-year-old defender Paul Krumpe was older than Caligiuri. Having played in the German Second Division after being spotted by Hamburg's scouts in

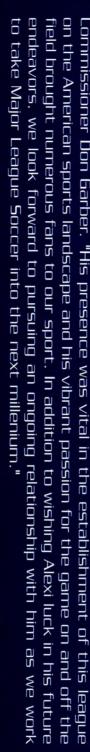




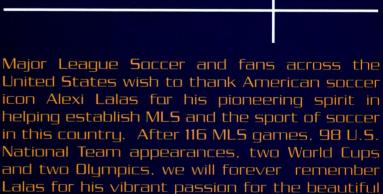








"Alexi is what this league is all about - being young, hip and in the now," said MLS



game, on and off the field.

the Rose Bowl's 1987 FIFA World All-Star Game, Caligiuri was one of only two Yanks with even a hint of professional experience (striker Peter Vermes, now a stalwart defender for the Colorado Rapids, had played one season apiece in Hungary and Holland).

The starting 11 included many faces that would become familiar to MLS fans - Kansas City goalkeeper Tony Meola (then a 20-year-old University of Virginia student), San Jose's John Doyle (23), Tampa Bay's Steve Trittschuh (24), former MLS player Brian Bliss (24), Ramos (23) and New England's John Harkes (22).

It was Meola who produced the greatest impact.

The man who would turn down Major League

By that point the young Americans had already gotten their big break. With half of an hour elapsed, T & T forward Philbert Jones was set to fire a 15-yard shot from directly in front of Meola's goal when he was clattered into from behind by Doyle. What appeared to be a certain penalty kick wasn't given by the Argentine referee.

A little over a minute later the USA had a throwin some 40 yards upfield and to the right of Michael Maurice's goal. Ramos' throw-in was passed back to him. He immediately played square to an unmarked Caligiuri, who chested the ball forward.

As a defender rushed at him, Caligiuri faked

with far greater composure than in the past, the USA limited their opponents, allowing only a handful of half-chances following Caligiuri's strike.

In the waning moments of the match, Gansler withdrew all of his men into their own half of the park. After winning the ball, the Americans would keep it for as long as possible and then send it flying as far forward as they could. That defensive approach left Trinidad with the option of trying to combine to get through 11 men or to play hopeful high balls into the USA box that were easily headed clear by the physically dominating Trittschuh-Doyle tandem.

There was one hold-your-breath moment in the



Kansas City Wizards Head Coach Bob Gansler oversaw the young American squad that went to the 1990 World Cup



San Jose's John Doyle anchored the Americans' defense against Trinidad and Tobago



Tampa Bay's Steve Trittschuh was one of the United States oldest players at 24 years of age in 1989

Baseball's Yankees in favor of pursuing his dream had just become the first goalkeeper to win the Hermann Trophy as college soccer's player of the year.

His third start for his country came when Gansler selected him over veteran David Vanole in what was the fifth of the eight final round qualification games. With three successive clean sheets in as many qualification matches, he was the obvious choice for the showdown in Trinidad and he did not disappoint.

On several occasions the fleet-footed Trinidad forwards rounded the flanks of the American defense only to have Meola bravely dive to smother a cross.

Twice he won vital foot races by inches to balls played over the top, including bravely collecting one ball in injury time of the first half just ahead of a challenge from Trinidad's Leonson Lewis. For his efforts, Meola received a foot-full of Lewis' cleats in his stomach.

shooting with his right foot before cutting the ball across his path and beyond his foe. With a clear look at the goal, he unleashed a rainbow-like shot that sailed inches beyond Maurice's outstretched fingertips and just inside of the far post.

For the handful of American fans in the stadium and others watching in the States on a tape-delayed broadcast on ESPN, the tension would only grow as the shadows lengthened. The unease was exasperated by recalling how Trinidad's Hutson Charles had equalized in the 88th minute of the prior meeting in California. Charles' unexpected heroics had lifted Trinidad to a 1-1 draw after having lost all six prior encounters during the 1980's to Uncle Sam's players by a combined 13-4 count.

Once again, Trinidad sought out an historic goal. This time, however, Gansler's men were prepared with the right tactical response. Maintaining possession

final 15 minutes. Trinidad substitute Maurice Alibey was open for a split-second near the American's penalty spot. Out of nowhere came Bliss to hook the ball away with a perfectly-executed sliding tackle, defusing the attack.

"What I most remember about the game – it's not just the shot, not just the goal – it was the whole entire second half," Caligiuri said. "I watched players like Tony Meola play out of his mind. I had never seen Tony play at that level before. I saw John Harkes rise to the occasion. I saw Tab Ramos hold the ball like it was glued to his foot. It was exciting as I look back at all those little things and it's something we're going to share for a lifetime."

In his pre-game interview, Gansler had told ESPN's John Paul Dellacamera, "I believe our team is ready to meet the challenge." They were and U.S. Soccer has contrived to reap the rewards ever since.

# Sets the stage for Sets the stag

memories

D.C. United's 3-2 win over the Los Angeles Galaxy in sudden-death overtime at MLS Cup '96 is regarded as one of the greatest comebacks in sports history

uring 1999, Major League Soccer's postseåson stretches into the month of November for the first time. While this might be uncharted territory for the four-year-old league, Foxboro Stadium – the site of MLS Cup '99 – is not.

Foxboro hosted MLS Cup '96, the United States' first
Division I professional soccer championship game in 12 years,
while more than one million soccer fans have passed through
the stadium's turnstiles for MLS regular-season, playoff and
exhibition contests. While only the Los Angeles Galaxy has
drawn bigger numbers during the league's first four seasons,
New England Revolution fans are regularly applauded and recognized as the league's most devoted, providing atmosphere and
devotion regardless of their team's success (only the MetroStars
have won fewer games – 50 – than the Revolution's 53).

Three-time Cup finalist D.C. United utilized Foxboro in 1996 as the stage on which to display its emerging dynasty, as rookie defender Eddie Pope's sudden-death goal in the 94th minute capped a three-goal, 21-minute comeback to erase Los Angeles' 2-0 lead and become the first team to hoist the Alan I. Rothenberg trophy. That win was United's fifth consecutive postseason victory, and the team would stretch its playoff win streak to 13 games before dropping game two of last year's Eastern Conference semifinals on October 18, 1998.

Bolivian midfielder Marco Etcheverry became the first MLS Cup Most Valuable Player by assisting on United's first goal, a Tony Sanneh header, and Pope's golden-goal heroics off a corner kick. It was an Etcheverry corner that also set up Shawn Medved's dramatic equalizer to force extra time, as Medved's initial shot was saved but poorly cleared by Galaxy goalkeeper Jorge Campos.

With the momentum shifted firmly to the Eastern Conference





D.C. United celebrates Eddie Pope's game-winning goal in sudden-death overtime to win MLS Cup '96 at Foxboro Stadium

champs, Etcheverry launched a corner kick toward the Galaxy penalty box just four minutes into sudden-death overtime. The ball found the head of the 22-year-old Pope, who rose to meet the ball while a wet and tired Galaxy defense stood still, their collective feet nailed to the ground. In an instant, the golden goal was in the books and the inaugural MLS Cup was United forever.

One season later, United hosted MLS Cup '97 before a raucous home crowd of 57,431, the largest of the three Cup attendances. Despite more rain, albeit not the vicious, driving Nor'easter that dropped nine inches leading up to the game at Foxboro in 1996, United scored a goal in each half and held off a late surge by the surprising Colorado Rapids. Etcheverry's countryman, forward Jaime Moreno, earned MVP honors with his 37th-minute goal and several other offensive forays on the United attack.

Defender David Vaudreuil began Moreno's scoring play with a midfield flick that sprung Tony Sanneh down the right side. Sanneh drove a cross through the box, which was left by Raul Diaz Arce on a brilliant dummy for Moreno. Major League Soccer's runner-up by one point for the 1997 Budweiser Scoring Championship, Moreno turned and fired, finding the back of the net with a right-footed liner.

"Usually I can't remember my goals, I have to watch them first," Moreno

said. "But Tony crossed the ball and Raul opened his legs. I just shot it and it went in. I was a little bit surprised that Raul didn't shoot the ball, because he was in a better position than me."

United kept up the pressure in the second half, increasing its lead to 2-0 in the 68th minute on a header by Sanneh. Richie Williams found John Harkes on the left side of the box. D.C.'s captain cut back and placed a right-footed cross to Sanneh at the far post, and Sanneh hammered it home.

United's reign ended in 1998 at the feet of the first-year Chicago Fire. No longer an expansion team by the time the MLS Cup playoffs rolled around, the Fire rode the creative playmaking of midfielder Peter Nowak, the stellar goalkeeping of Zach Thornton and the all-around excellence up the middle of Lubos Kubik, C.J. Brown and Chris Armas. Chicago Head Coach Bob Bradley, an assistant on the two championship United teams in '96 and '97, earned his third ring with a 2-0 win at the Rose Bowl in Los Angeles over his former squad.

Nowak was named MLS Cup '98 MVP as the European veteran set up goals by fellow Polish National Team player Jerzy Podbrozny and third-year MLS player Diego Gutierrez. U.S. National Team fixture Chris Armas earned accolades for his role in helping Chicago shut down Etcheverry and the United attack.

While Armas helped stifle United's midfield play, Thornton frustrated D.C.'s



front-runners, making eight saves to earn his third shutout of the Fire's five-game run through the 1998 MLS playoffs. Thornton stoned United striker Roy Lassiter, who saw three of his six total shots saved by the imposing 'keeper. Armas credited his teammates C.J. Brown, Francis Okaroh and Lubos Kubik for the Fire's

"With Etcheverry you just have to try to stay close and take advantage of your help," Armas said. "You talk about the matchup – me against Etcheverry – but there were 10 other guys on my side of the field."

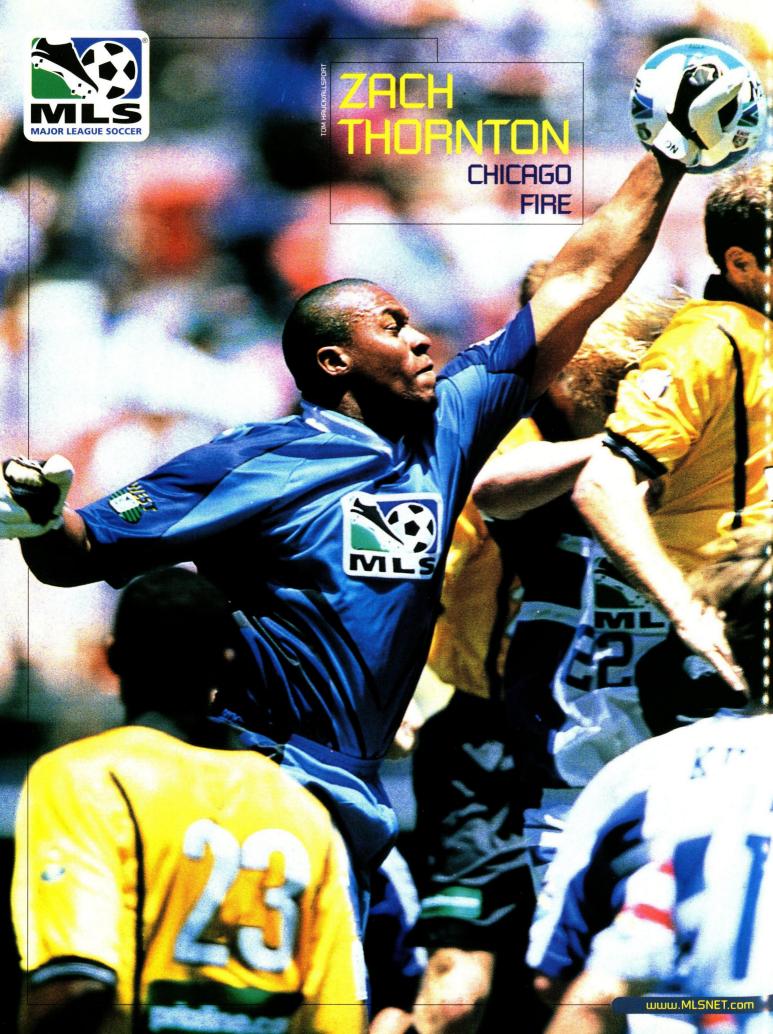
success in keeping United scoreless.

Of the 18 series that comprised the MLS playoffs (leading into the 1999 postseason), a disproportionate amount of 13 series have resulted in one team sweeping the best-of-three competitions in two games. Entering this year's playoffs, United was 14-3 in playoff contests, losing its first-ever postseason game in a controversial shootout in addition to last year's Cup loss and the Eastern Conference game two loss at Columbus. Only two other teams – Los Angeles and Columbus – have reached double figures in all-time playoff games played, each posting a 6-6 record. Dallas played its tenth team playoff game when it hosted Chicago in the first round of the 1999 Western Conference playoffs.

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The remaining questions are: Who will lift the newly-designed Alan I. Rothenberg trophy? Will D.C. United continue its playoff dominance? Will the Chicago Fire become the second MLS team to win back-to-back Cups? Or will a budding dynasty emerge, kicking off its glory days with a memorable November 21 at Foxboro?







#### 1999 REGULAR SEASON STATISTICS



#### **WESTERN CONFERENCE**

	TEAM	W	L	PTS	GF	GA	SOW
1	Los Angeles Galaxy	20	12	54	49	29	3
2	Dallas Burn	19	13	51	54	35	3
3	Chicago Fire	18	14	48	51	36	3
4	Colorado Rapids	20	12	48	38	39	6
	San Jose Clash	19	13	37	48	49	10
	Kansas City Wizards	8	24	20	33	53	2



#### **EASTERN CONFERENCE**

	TEAM	W	L	PTS	GF	GA	SOW
1	D.C. United	23	9	57	65	43	6
2	Columbus Crew	19	13	45	48	39	6
3	Tampa Bay Mutiny	14	18	32	51	50	5
4	Miami Fusion	13	19	29	42	59	5
	New England Revolution	12	20	26	38	53	5
	MetroStars	7	25	15	32	64	3

<sup>#</sup> corresponds to playoff seed

#### BUDWEISER LEADING SCORERS

	NAME	TEAM	GAMES	GOALS	ASSISTS	PTS	
1	Jason Kreis	DAL	32	18	15	51	
2	Roy Lassiter	DC	30	18	11	47	
3	Ronald Cerritos	SJ	31	15	9	39	
4	Stern John	CLB	28	18	2	38	
	Joe-Max Moore	NE	29	15	8	38	
6	Ante Razov	CHI	30	14	7	35	
7	Jaime Moreno	DC	25	10	13	33	
	Raul Diaz Arce	TB*	31	13	7	33	
9	Musa Shannon	TB	27	12	5	29	
	Jeff Cunningham	CLB	28	12	5	29	
11	Steve Ralston	TB	32	5	18	28	
12	Henry Gutierrez	MIA	30	6	14	26	
	Jorge Dely Valdes	COL	32	10	6	26	
14	Marco Etcheverry	DC	22	4	17	25	
	Preki	KC	30	7	11	25	

#### **GOAL-SCORING LEADERS**

	NAME	TEAM	GAMES	GOALS
1	Stern John	CLB	28	18
	Roy Lassiter	DC	30	18
	Jason Kreis	DAL	32	18
4	Joe-Max Moore	NE	29	15
	Ronald Cerritos	SI	31	15

#### **ASSIST LEADERS**

	NAME	TEAM	GAMES	ASSISTS
1	Steve Ralston	TB	32	18
2	Marco Etcheverry	DC	22	17
	Mauricio Cienfuegos	LA	30	17
4	Carlos Valderrama	TB*	31	15
	Jason Kreis	DAL	32	15

#### SHOT LEADERS

	NAME	TEAM	<b>GAMES</b>	SHOTS	
1	Jason Kreis	DAL	32	114	
2	Stern John	CLB	28	104	
3	Preki	KC	30	97	
4	Mauricio Ramos	TB	30	95	

#### FOULS COMMITTED LEADERS

	NAME	TEAM	GAMES	FC
1	Matt McKeon	COL	28	80
2	Geoff Aunger	DC	25	75
3	Ben Olsen	DC	28	65

#### GOALKEEPNG LEADERS

	NAME	TEAM	GP	MINS	SHTS	C/P	GA	GAA	w	L
1	Kevin Hartman	LA	32	2870	150	85	29	0.91	20	12
2	Marcus Hahnemann	COL	13	1170	85	60	14	1.08	10	3
3	Matt Jordan	DAL	29	2584	172	124	31	1.08	17	11
4	Zach Thornton	CHI	30	2633	137	93	32	1.09	17	12
5	Mark Dougherty	CLB	31	2745	152	104	35	1.15	18	12
6	lan Feuer	COL	19	1696	99	63	23	1.22	10	9
7	Scott Garlick	TB	28	2471	193	121	36	1.31	14	13
8	Joe Cannon	SJ	24	2160	129	76	32	1.33	14	10
9	Tom Presthus	DC	26	2227	129	87	34	1.37	16	8
10	Chris Snitko	KC	16	1395	95	57	26	1.68	4	10
11	Jeff Cassar	MIA	15	1304	83	62	25	1.73	5	10
12	Garth Lagerwey	MIA	16	1306	107	42	27	1.86	7	7
13	Walter Zenga	NE	25	2071	140	105	45	1.96	5	13
14	Mike Ammann	MET	24	2138	155	73	51	2.15	6	17
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#### GOALKEEPER SHUTOUT LEADERS

	NAME	TEAM	GAMES	SHUTOUT
1	Matt Jordan	DAL	29	11
	Kevin Hartman	LA	32	11
3	lan Feuer	COL	19	8
4	Zach Thornton	CHI	30	7
5	Mark Dougherty	CLB	31	6

#### GOALKEEPER SAVE LEADERS

	NAME	TEAM	<b>GAMES</b>	SAVES
1	Scott Garlick	TB	28	152
2	Matt Jordan	DAL	29	133
3	Kevin Hartman	LA	32	118
4	Mark Dougherty	CLB	31	106
5	Zach Thornton	CHI	30	99

#### MINUTES PLAYED LEADERS

	NAME	TEAM	MINS
1	Peter Vermes	COL	2880
2	Steve Ralston	TB	2872
3	Kevin Hartman	LA	2870
4	Jason Kreis	DAL	2815

#### **FOULS SUFFERED LEADERS**

	NAME	TEAM	GAMES	FS
1	Cobi Jones	LA	28	80
2	Preki	KC	30	77
3	Jaima Marana	DC	25	7.1

W=Wins; L=Losses; PTS=Points; GF=Goals For; GA=Goals Against; GAA= Goals Against Average; SOW=Shootout Wins; GP=Games Played; MINS=Minutes; SHTS=Shots; SVS=Saves; C/P=Catches/Punches; FC=Fouls Committed; FS=Fouls Suffered.

#### REGULAR SEASON



## 1999 MLS RESULTS

					Sunday, May 16	1.0	Chicago		25 201
MARCH					Colorado Saturday, May 22	1-0	Chicago		25,201
Saturday, March 20 DC United MetroStars Kansas City Colorado Chicago	5-2 3-2 0-4 1-2 3-1	Tampa Bay Miami Dallas Los Angeles San Jose	(SO 2-1) (SO 3-1)	16,872 13,648 17,112 17,343 15,238	DC United Tampa Bay Kansas City MetroStars Dallas  Sunday, May 23	3-1 1-0 1-3 0-2 1-2	Miami Columbus Chicago Colorado San Jose	(SO 3-1) (SO 1-3)	7,113 20,782 27,308 20,005 12,133
Saturday, March 27 Chicago Colorado	3-0 2-3	Kansas City San Jose	(SO 3-4)	15,509 8,841	New England  Wednesday, May 26  Miami	0-1 1-2	Los Angeles  Dallas		7,581 7,529
<b>Sunday, March 28</b> New England Columbus Dallas	1-2 0-1 0-1	Miami MetroStars Los Angeles	(SO 3-4) (SO 2-3)	7,211 20,307 27,034	Thursday, May 27 San Jose Saturday, May 29	2-4	Colorado		4,746
APRIL					New England Tampa Bay Los Angeles Chicago	4-3 1-2 1-2 1-3	MetroStars Miami Columbus DC United	(SO 1-0) (SO 0-3)	43,192 8,628 16,596 21,840
Saturday, April 3									2.,0.0
DC United Columbus Chicago New England Los Angeles	1-0 3-2 4-1 1-0 1-2	MetroStars Tampa Bay Miami Kansas City San Jose	(SO 2-4)	20,978 13,456 8,854 8,313 12,017	JUNE Thursday, June 3 Colorado	3-4	San Jose		6,824
Thursday, April 8 Columbus	2-1	Los Angeles	(SO 3-2)	4,825	Saturday, June 5 Dallas Miami	5-2 0-1	MetroStars Tampa Bay		11,567 18,377
Saturday, April 10 San Jose DC United Dallas Miami	2-1 3-2 1-0 1-4	Kansas City New England Chicago Colorado	(SO 2-0) (SO 4-3) (SO 3-1)	4,815 18,373 27,311 15,592	Chicago Columbus Sunday, June 6 Kansas City	0-2 0-1	New England DC United Los Angeles		21,313 18,234 6,871
Sunday, April 11 MetroStars	2-1	Tampa Bay	(SO 3-1)	8,264	Thursday, June 10 Miami	1-3	DC United		12,136
Thursday, April 15 Dallas	1-2	Miami	(SO 0-3)	7,013	Saturday, June 12 Colorado Dallas	1-0 0-1	MetroStars Kansas City		13,723 9,336
Saturday, April 17 Columbus San Jose Los Angeles Kansas City	1-0 2-1 0-1 1-2	New England DC United Chicago Colorado	(SO 4-1) (SO 4-2) (SO 2-3)	14,732 35,167 9,972 8,592	Chicago Tampa Bay <b>Sunday, June 13</b> Miami	1-2 1-2 3-4	Los Angelés San Jose New England	(SO 0-1)	18,102 14,472 19,069
Sunday, April 18 Tampa Bay	1-2	Dallas		13,697	DC United  Wednesday, June 16	2-1	Columbus	(50.1.3)	17,386
Saturday, April 24 New England Kansas City Columbus San Jose	3-2 0-1 0-2 0-1	DC United Miami Dallas Los Angeles		15,132 6,759 12,241 16,700	New England DC United  Saturday, June 19 New England Los Angeles San Jose	1-2 0-3 3-2 2-1 0-2	Columbus Dallas Tampa Bay DC United Chicago	(SO 1-2)	14,005 8,817 11,256 21,138 13,141
<b>Sunday, April 25</b> Tampa Bay	1-0	MetroStars		23,675	Dallas Sunday, June 20	1-2	Colorado		11,112
Wednesday, April 28 Columbus	1-0	Kansas City		6,069	MetroStars Saturday, June 26	0-6	Kansas City		6,190
Friday, April 30 Dallas	1-2	San Jose	(SO 2-3)	10,071	Kansas City San Jose MetroStars New England Chicago	0-3 2-1 1-2 0-2 0-2	DC United Miami Columbus Dallas Colorado		12,879 7,287 18,632 12,561 10,895
MAY					Sunday, June 27	0-2	Colorado		10,055
<b>Saturday, May 1</b> Los Angeles Miami Colorado DC United	1-0 1-2 2-1 2-3	MetroStars Tampa Bay New England Chicago	(SO 3-2)	13,778 15,120 13,427 20,840	Los Angeles <b>Wednesday, June 30</b> Tampa Bay San Jose	4-2 1-2 3-4	Tampa Bay  MetroStars Columbus	(SO 2-3) (SO 1-2)	10,091 11,012 15,397
Saturday, May 8 MetroStars Chicago Miami Los Angeles Colorado	1-2 1-2 0-1 1-2 2-1	DC United Tampa Bay New England Kansas City Dallas	(SO 0-1) (SO 2-3) (SO 2-1)	15,499 10,428 11,173 8,287 10,550	JULY  Friday, July 2  Dallas	1-2	Chicago	(SO 3-4)	12,185
Sunday, May 9 Columbus	2-1	San Jose		9,931	Saturday, July 3 Kansas City	2-1	Tampa Bay	(SO 3-2)	20,967
Saturday, May 15 Miami New England DC United San Jose Tampa Bay	2-3 0-2 4-3 1-2 1-0	MetroStars Columbus Kansas City Dallas Los Angeles	(SO 3-0) (SO 4-2)	14,879 24,741 11,186 16,372 11,378	Sunday, July 4 MetroStars DC United Chicago Columbus Miami	2-3 1-2 2-1 3-0 2-1	New England San Jose Dallas Colorado Los Angeles	(SO 2-3)	28,986 73,123 17,621 51,025 60,433

<b>Wednesday, July 7</b> DC United Colorado	2-1 2-1	Columbus Kansas City	(SO 2-0)	18,101 4,631	Friday, August 27 Columbus	1-2	Tampa Bay
<b>Thursday, July 8</b> San Jose	1-2	Tampa Bay		8,455	Saturday, August 28 New England Los Angeles DC United	1-2 0-1 1-0	Chicago Dallas Colorado
<b>Saturday, July 10</b> Colorado Columbus Kansas City	2-1 0-2 0-5	DC United Miami Dallas		16,387 10,123 7,485	MetroStars Sunday, August 29 Miami	1-2 0-2	San Jose Kansas City
MetroStars  Sunday, July 11	0-2	Chicago		12,850	SEPTEMBER		
Los Angeles  Saturday, July 17 - 1999	5-2 <b>MLS All-Sta</b>	New England r Game (San Die	ego, CA)	14,323	Wednesday, September San Jose	<b>1</b> 1-3	Los Angeles
East	4-6	West		23,227	Saturday, September 4		
<b>Thursday, July 22</b> Tampa Bay	3-4	Kansas City		4,665	Tampa Bay Dallas Los Angeles	5-1 1-4 2-1	New England DC United Miami
<b>Friday, July 23</b> San Jose	3-2	Chicago	(SO 2-0)	8,329	Colorado Kansas City	1-2 0-2	Columbus San Jose
<b>Saturday, July 24</b> Miami Dallas	1-0 1-4	MetroStars Columbus		13,608 19,356	Sunday, September 5 Chicago	2-1	MetroStars
Sunday, July 25					Tuesday, September 7 Kansas City	2-3	New England
DC United Kansas City Tampa Bay	2-0 1-2 3-2	New England Los Angeles Colorado	(SO 3-2)	15,132 8,929 8,136	Friday, September 10 DC United Kansas City	2-1 0-1	Tampa Bay Colorado
Wednesday, July 28 Los Angeles	0-1	Colorado		5,018	Saturday, September 11		
Thursday, July 29 Tampa Bay	2-3	Miami	(SO 2-3)	9,172	New England San Jose Chicago	1-2 0-1 0-1	Miami Dallas Los Angeles
Saturday, July 31 Los Angeles	1-0	Chicago		21,331	Sunday, September 12 MetroStars	2-1	Columbus
New England Colorado San Jose	1-4 2-0 2-3	Tampa Bay Dallas Kansas City	(SO 1-2)	14,879 13,712 9,014	Friday, September 17 Tampa Bay	1-2	Chicago
CUCUCT					Saturday, September 18	4.0	
AUGUST Sunday, August 1		7			Columbus MetroStars Dallas Los Angeles	1-0 1-2 2-1 0-1	New England DC United Kansas City Colorado
Miami Wednesday, August 4	0-4	Columbus		13,891	Sunday, September 19 Miami	1-6	San Jose
MetroStars  Thursday, August 5	0-2	Dallas		7,622	Wednesday, September 2		MetroStars
Chicago	2-1	Kansas City		5,072	Thursday, September 23		
Friday, August 6 New England	0-1	Colorado	(SO 2-3)	23,895	Columbus Friday, September 24	2-1	Chicago
<b>Saturday, August 7</b> MetroStars Los Angeles	0-2 4-1	Miami San Jose		7,688 15,648	Dallas Saturday, September 25	1-0	New England
Sunday, August 8					MetroStars Colorado	2-1 1-0	Tampa Bay Kansas City
Colorado Tampa Bay	0-5 2-3	Chicago DC United	(SO 2-3)	11,275 18,754	DC United	2-0	Los Angeles
Kansas City	1-2	Columbus	(/	16,639	Sunday, September 26 Miami	1-2	Columbus
<b>Wednesday, August 11</b> DC United	4-1	MetroStars		6,876	Chicago  Wednesday, September 2	0-2	San Jose
<b>Thursday, August 12</b> San Jose	2-1	New England		13,427	Colorado	0-4	Los Angeles
<b>Friday, August 13</b> Colorado	2-1	Tampa Bay		9,651	OCTOBER		
Saturday, August 14 Columbus	1-2	DC United		15,312	Friday, October 1 San Jose	0-1	Colorado
Kansas City Miami Dallas	2-1 2-1 0-2	MetroStars Chicago Los Angeles	(SO 3-0)	9,107 13,114 14,635	Saturday, October 2 MetroStars	1-2	New England
Wednesday, August 18					Sunday, October 3		
Columbus Tampa Bay Dallas	4-2 1-0 3-0	MetroStars New England Colorado		7,246 13,087 5,942	Los Angeles Columbus	3-4 1-4	Dallas Miami
Saturday, August 21 DC United MetroStars	3-2 1-4	Miami Los Angeles	(SO 2-0)	11,097 12,045	Wednesday, October 6 Tampa Bay Chicago Kansas City	4-2 1-0 0-1	DC United Colorado San Jose
New England	1-2	San Jose		10,112	Saturday, October 9		
<b>Sunday, August 22</b> Chicago Tampa Bay	3-4 2-1	Dallas Columbus	(SO 3-4) (SO 3-0)	7,237 19,070	New England Colorado Los Angeles	2-1 0-2 1-0	DC United Miami Kansas City
Wednesday, August 25	2.4		10 a =		Sunday, October 10		
New England Miami Kansas City	2-1 1-3 0-2	MetroStars DC United Chicago	(SO 3-1)	9,143 11,136 6,223	Chicago Dallas	3-2 2-1	Columbus Tampa Bay

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## Foxboro Stadium and America's Sports Mecca

new chapter will be added to New England's storied soccer history on Sunday, November, 21 when MLS Cup '99, the league's premier event, returns to Foxboro Stadium. The host of Major League Soccer's inaugural Championship Game in 1996, Foxboro has often been the site for world-class soccer for nearly a decade.

Foxboro opened its gates to the robust Beantown soccer fans for the first time on June 1, 1991, when the U.S. Men's National Team posted a 1-1 draw with Ireland. This international friendly spawned a generation of soccer fanatics that has turned out in droves to support the hometown New England Revolution, World Cup USA '94 and the 1999 Women's World Cup. More than two million spectators have entered the turnstiles at Foxboro Stadium since the famed 1991 U.S. match to support the world's most beautiful game.

Home to Major League Soccer's Revolution and the National Football League's New England Patriots, Foxboro Stadium is one of the many pieces of the Kraft family sports empire. Built in 1971, Foxboro was purchased by the Krafts in 1993 as part of a deal that also brought the Patriots themselves under the Kraft

sports umbrella. To date, the Kraft family has poured over \$10 million into the hallowed grounds, and has pledged another \$60 million for the refurbishment and development of the stadium grounds. Built to accommodate 60,292 fans, Foxboro's downsized seating capacity for MLS matches is 24,871. On April 20, 1997, the largest soccer crowd in stadium history, 57,407 fans, witnessed a doubleheader featuring the Revs down the Tampa

Bay Mutiny, 2-1 and the U.S. National Team tallying a 2-2 finish against Mexico in a 1998 World Cup Qualifying game.

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Boston boasts a rich soccer tradition dating back to 1861 with the first formal appearance of the world's game at Boston Common. A band of school boys from the Oneida Football Club



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came together to play a 16-aside match and spawned the birth of American soccer. Whether you have joined the Revolution's "Midnight Riders", are a member of U.S. Soccer's "Sam's Army," or a doting soccer mom and dad, the passion and grandeur of the sport will be felt at MLS Cup '99.

The Boston area has the distinguished honor of being the birthplace of two professional championship games, the World Series in 1903 when the first-year Boston Pilgrims defeated the Pittsburgh Pirates, and most recently, Major League Soccer's inaugural MLS Cup '96.

MLS Cup '99 caps off a year of world-class sporting events in the Boston Area, as Major League Baseball's All-Star Game was played at the historic Fenway Park and this year's Ryder Cup Golf Tournament was held at The Country Club courses outside of Boston. Annual events include the world-renowned Boston Marathon and the traditional Head of the Charles sculling competition, while the NBA's Boston Celtic and the NHL's Boston Bruins claim the Fleet Center as their home.

Whether you want to admire a powerful drive by a golfer at the Ryder Cup, see the pumping legs of a Boston Marathon runner, hear the crack of a bat at Fenway Park, listen to the rhythmic breathing of a precision rowing crew at the Head of the Charles, feel the vibrations of a gridiron tackle or hear the roar of a crowd after a goal is scored on a bicycle kick at Foxboro, you can experience all this and more in America's sports Mecca, Boston.







## LOS ANGELES GALAXY

	NO.	PLAYER	P05.	HT.	WT.	AGE	HOMETOWN
	1	Matt Reis	GK	6-1	196	24	Mission Viejo, California
	2	Danny Peña	M	6-0	165	31	Culver City, California
	3	Greg Vanney	D	5-11	169	25	Tempe, Arizona
	4	Robin Fraser	D	6-1	175	32	Denver, Colorado
	5	Steve Jolley	M	6-1	190	24	Virginia Beach, Virginia
	7	Zak Ibsen	D	5-11	165	27	Santa Clara, California
	8	Jose Botello	M	6-0	165	23	Los Angeles, California
	10	Mauricio Cienfuegos	M	5-6	143	31	San Salvador, El Salvador
	12	Simon Elliott	M	5-11	175	23	Wellington, New Zealand
	13	Cobi Jones	M	5-7	145	29	Westlake Village, California
	14	Clint Mathis	M	5-10	170	23	Conyers, Georgia
-	16	Joe Franchino	, D	5-7	140	23	Alta Loma, California
	17	Ezra Hendrickson	D/M	6-3	185	27	Kokomo, Indiana
	18	Jorge Salcedo	M	6-1	175	27	Cerritos, California
	19	Seth George	M/F	5-9	164	23	Mission Viejo, California
	20	Paul Caligiuri	D	5-10	175	35	Walnut, California
-	21	Roy Myers	M/F	6-1	152	30	Limon, Costa Rica
-	22	Kevin Hartman	GK	6-1	174	25	Palos Verdes, California
-	24	Marvin Quijano	F	5-8	150	20	North Hollywood, California
-	27	Carlos Hermosillo	F	6-2	187	35	Veracruz, Mexico
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#### PLAYOFF RESULTS

#### WESTERN CONFERENCE SEMI FINALS

L.A. Galaxy 3-0 Colorado Rapids
L.A. Galaxy 2-0 Colorado Rapids

#### WESTERN CONFERENCE FINALS

L.A. Galaxy 2-1 Dallas Burn
L.A. Galaxy 2-3 (SO 3-4) Dallas Burn
L.A. Galaxy 3-1 Dallas Burn

HEAD COACH: Sigi Schmid

ASSISTANT COACH: Ralph Perez



#### REGULAR SEASON SCORING

NAME	GAMES	GOALS	ASSISTS	PTS	
Cobi Jones	28	8	8	24	
Mauricio Cienfuegos	30	3	17	23	
Clint Mathis	27	7	6	20	
Carlos Hermosillo	16	8	3	19	
Roy Myers	19	4	6	14	
with MetroStars	7	0	1	1	
1999 total	26	4	7	15	

#### REGULAR SEASON GOALKEEPING

NAME	GAMES	GA	GAA	W	L
Matt Reis	1	0	0.00	0	0
Kevin Hartman	32	29	0.91	20	12
Key: GA=Goals Against	GAA=Goals A	gainst A	verage		







## D.C. UNITED

NO.	PLAYER	P05.	HT.	WT.	AGE	HOMETOWN
2	Mark Simpson	GK	6-0	180	33	Schaumburg, Illinois
3	Carey Talley	D/M	6-2	180	23	Cordova, Tennessee
4	Diego Soñora	D/M	5-8	165	30	Buenos Aires, Argentina
5	Geoff Aunger	D	5-11	170	31	Vancouver, British Columbia
7	A.J. Wood	F	6-2	195	26	Rockville, Maryland
9	Jaime Moreno	F	5-10	163	25	Santa Cruz, Bolivia
10	Marco Etcheverry	М	5-10	160	29	Santa Cruz, Bolivia
11	Jason Moore	M	5-11	170	21	Lawrenceville, Georgia
12	Jeff Agoos	D	5-10	175	31	Dallas, Texas
14	Ben Olsen	M/F	5-8	140	22	Middletown, Pennsylvania
15	Roy Lassiter	F	5-8	165	30	Raleigh, North Carolina
16	Richie Williams	M	5-5	145	29	Middletown, New Jersey
17	Chris Albright	M/F	6-1	165	20	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
18	Carlos Llamosa	, D	5-11	166	30	Maspeth, New York
19	Mike Slivinski	M	5-7	165	25	St. Charles, Missouri
20	John Maessner	M	5-10	162	30	Mercerville, New Jersey
21	David Hayes	, F	5-10	155	23	Waldorf, Maryland
22	Tom Presthus	GK	6-4	205	24	Dallas, Texas
23	Eddie Pope	D	6-0	175	25	High Point, North Carolina
24	Curt Onalfo	D	6-2	185	30	Ridgefield, Connecticut
25	Clint Peay	D	6-0	165	26	Columbia, Maryland
33	Judah Cooks	M	6-1	175	22	Bethesda, Maryland
34	Antonio Otero	M	5-11	170	22	Tampa, Florida

#### PLAYOFF RESULTS

#### EASTERN CONFERENCE SEMI FINALS

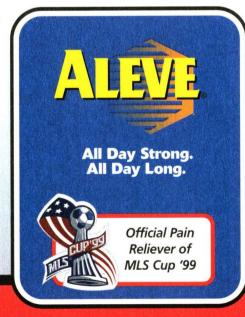
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#### **EASTERN CONFERENCE FINALS**

D.C. United 2-1 Columbus Crew
D.C. United 1-5 Columbus Crew
D.C. United 4-0 Columbus Crew

HEAD COACH: Thomas Rongen

ASSISTANT COACH: Dave Sarachan



#### REGULAR SEASON SCORING

NAME	<b>GAMES</b>	<b>GOALS</b>	<b>ASSISTS</b>	PTS
Roy Lassiter	30	18	11	47
Jaime Moreno	25	10	13	33
Marco Etcheverry	22	4	17	25
A.J. Wood	24	8	6	22
Ben Olsen	28	5	11	21
Carey Talley	29	4	4	12
Geoff Aunger	26	3	5	11

#### REGULAR SEASON GOALKEEPING

NAME	GAMES	GA	GAA	W	L	
Mark Simpson	9	9	1.24	6	1	
Tom Presthus	26	34	1.37	17	8	
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