

DALLAS TORNADO

ALERT

DALLAS TORNADO AT NEW YORK COSMOS

Monday May 25th 1981

Giants Stadium, East Rutherford, N.J.

This afternoon's game pits Dallas field boss Mike Renshaw, the NASL's youngest coach, against Hennes Weisweiler, the League's oldest mentor...

Of the 11 players who started the 1980 National Conference Semi-Final here last September for the Dallas Tornado only six will likely start this afternoon's contest: Defender Peter Gruber; Midfielders: Flemming Lund, Wolfgang Rausch, Ede Wolf and Forwards Zequinha and Njogo Pesa.

Dallas' current losing streak--the second worst in club history and topped only by the club's -10 start in 1968--has been all about injuries as Dallas coach Mike Renshaw has been unable to field the same starting lineup for any two consecutive games this season. Further, he has used 19 different players thus far in the club's first 11 games while the 1980 edition used just 18 players all year long.

Two members of the Dallas roster--Goalkeeper Billy Phillips and 1980 leading scorer Njogo Pesa--have roots in the New York metropolitan area. Phillips grew up and attended Adelphi University on Long Island where he played in goal for the Panthers while Pesa lived in Queens after arriving from his native Yugoslavia over 15 years ago.

Dallas has the dubious distinction of not winning a game in 1981 in which the opponent has scored the first goal of the game. To make matters worst, Dallas has been outscored 12-2 during the first half of games this season.

Dallas has been winless since the first Cosmos meeting in Texas Stadium back on April 18th..

This afternoon's game will be the 72nd consecutive start (and hopefully) complete game for mercurial Dallas midfielder Flemming Lund...

The Dallas/New York series dates back to 1973 when the Tornado took a 4-3 decision in New York and a 2-1 victory in Dallas.

MILTON RE-JOINS TORNADO

DALLAS--Brazilian-born Forward Milton, who spent the 1979 North American Soccer League season with the Tornado before returning to play for Guadalajara in the Mexican League, was re-acquired by Dallas on May 13th on loan for the remainder of the 1981 NASL campaign.

The 6-1, 170 pound Santos, Brazil native has started in the last three regular season games for the Tornado.

Milton, now 23 (born 8/1/57 at Santos, Brazil) played in 16 games for Dallas in 1979--including 14 as a starter--scoring 8 goals and adding 1 assist for 17 scoring points. More importantly, Milton's eight tallies came in just over 1089 minutes and on just 30 shots on goal.

He scored his first NASL goal April 21 that spring in a 3-2 loss at Tulsa and went on to score twice against Portland in a 4-3 overtime loss to the Timbers at Ownby Stadium in mid-July. In between, he notched goals against Chicago, Memphis, Washington and Atlanta on the road and California at home. The first Portland tally was considered among the most spectacular notched in the entire NASL that summer.

Primarily a center forward, Milton--whose full, given name is Milton Da Cruz--can also play any of the three positions on the forward line.

During the 1979 campaign, only departed striker Willie Lippens (15-7--37) and present Tornado winger Zequinha (8-14--30) finished ahead of Milton in the club scoring race that season.

Married to a Brazilian, Marilize, the couple have no children.

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DALLAS TORNADO 1981 SEASON STATISTICS (2-9)

Home 1-6 Away 1-3 Home Attendance Avg: 6,530 Away: 8,532

NO.	PLAYER	P	GP	GS	MIN	S	F	C/E	SO	G	A	POINTS
19	Rausch, Wolfgang	M	11	11	1024:33	33	19	3/0	0/2	2	3	7
23	Jones, Paul	F	10	6	629:49	7	4	0/0	0/0	1	2	4
18	Pesa, Njego	F	11	11	966:25	34	29	4/0	1/2	1	0	2
4	Cohen, Neil	D	11	11	1024:33	3	20	0/0	0/0	1	0	2
3	Gruber, Peter	D	9	9	829:33	1	14	0/0	0/0	1	0	2
14	Wolf, Ede	M	8	8	646:06	13	18	3/0	1/1	0	2	2
13	Stankovic, Mike	D/F	6	5	451:08	10	9	0/0	0/0	0	1	1
7	Zequinha	F	5	5	384:12	3	2	0/0	0/0	0	1	1
8	Lund, Flemming	M	11	11	1024:33	5	24	1/0	1/2	0	0	0
17	Bennett, Carl	D	9	9	795:35	2	11	0/0	0/0	0	0	0
11	Silvio	F	11	5	634:32	16	13	0/0	0/0	0	0	0
5	Santana, Teodoro	M	8	7	587:32	4	9	1/0	0/1	0	0	0
2	Gano, Pedro	D	6	4	469:44	2	14	1/0	0/0	0	0	0
9	Milton	F	3	3	260:36	9	7	1/0	1/1	0	0	0
22	Sacks, Nathan	M	6	3	249:54	2	4	0/0	0/0	0	0	0
15	Collins, Chris	D	2	2	195:00	2	6	1/0	0/0	0	0	0
24	Pena, Rudy	D	3	0	60:12	0	0	0/0	0/0	0	0	0
10	Gomez, Omar	F	1	0	25:57	0	1	0/0	0/0	0	0	0
16	James, David	D	0	0	0	0	0	0/0	0/0	0	0	0
25	Flammang, Jeff	D	0	0	0	0	0	0/0	0/0	0	0	0

TORNADO TOTALS			11	11	1024:33	146	204	15/1*	4/9	6	9	21
Opponents Totals			11	11	1024:33	188	213	15/1	2/7	23	29	75

NO.	GOALKEEPER	GP	GS	MIN	S	SV	GA	PK	SO	SH	GAA
1	Irwin, Bill	11	11	1024:33	188	63	22	0	2/7	3	1.93
0	Phillips, Billy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00

Tornado Totals		11	11	1024:33	188	63	23	0	2/7	2	1.93
Opponents Totals		11	11	1024:33	146	42	6	1/3	4/9	5	0.53

Goals by Halves		1st	2nd	OT	SO	Totals
DALLAS TORNADO		2	4	0	1	7
Opponents		12	9	1	1	23

CORNERKICKS:	DALLAS	52	Foes	60
OFFSIDES:	DALLAS	39	Foes	83
FOULS:	DALLAS	204	Foes	213
SAVES:	DALLAS	63	Foes	42

* includes Coach ejection 5/17 @ Wsh

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATT	SCORING
4/4	TULSA	1-2(OT)	7,580	Jones(Stankovic,Rausch)
4/10	CALIFORNIA	1-0	11,090	Pesa(Rausch, Jones)
4/12	@ Toronto	1-0(SO)	9,327	----
4/18	NEW YORK	0-3	10,181	----
4/25	MONTREAL	1-3	5,809	Rausch(Zequinha)
5/3	@ Edmonton	2-3	15,428	Cohen(Wolf,Rausch) Gruber(Jones,Wolf)
5/8	CHICAGO	0-2	3,702	----
5/10	@ Chicago	0-5	1,861	----
5/15	MINNESOTA	1-3	4,229	Rausch(penalty)
5/17	@ Washington	0-1(SO)	7,515	----
5/22	TORONTO	0-1	3,119	----

1981 DALLAS TORNADO OUTDOOR ROSTER

NO.	NAME	POSITION	D.O.B.	HT.	WT.	CITIZENSHIP
0	Billy Phillips	Goalkeeper	8/9/56	6-1	170	United States
1	Bill Irwin	Goalkeeper	7/23/51	6-3	203	N. Ireland
2	Pedro Gano	Defender	9/1/53	5-11	170	Argentina
3	Peter Gruber	Defender	9/7/52	5-9	161	West Germany
4	Neil Cohen	Defender	9/12/55	6-1	175	United States
5	Teodoro Santana	Midfielder	10/22/47	5-10	170	Brazil
7	Zequinha	Forward	11/7/49	5-9	145	Brazil
8	Flemming Lund	Midfielder	10/6/52	5-7	150	Denmark
9	Milton	Forward	8/1/57	6-1	170	Brazil
10	Omar Gomez	Forward	10/8/55	5-10	170	Argentina
11	Silvio	Forward	9/27/58	5-8	150	Brazil
13	Mike Stankovic	Forward	11/11/56	6-0	175	Yugoslavia
14	Ede Wolf	Midfielder	1/20/51	5-8	150	West Germany
15	Chris Collins	Defender	3/8/56	5-9	150	United States
16	David James	Defender	8/20/63	5-10	165	United States
17	Carl Bennett	Defender	8/9/61	5-8	150	United States
18	Njego Pesa	Forward	5/30/58	5-10	168	United States
19	Wolfgang Rausch	Midfielder	4/30/47	5-9	170	West Germany
22	Nathan Sacks	Midfeilder	6/16/59	6-1	175	South Africa
23	Paul Jones	Forward	2/26/61	5-8	147	United States
24	Rudy Pena	Defender	9/17/58	5-8	155	United States
25	Jeff Flammang	Defender	12/8/62	6-1	168	United States

Head Coach: Mike Renshaw

Trainer: Steve Parker

Equipment Manager: Ellie Godsall