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GAME NOTES: SAN JOSE EARTHQUAKES at
New York Cosmos

Sunday, July 29
The Meadowlands
Kickoff: 7:30 p.m. (EDT)

Tonight's Game: Tonight's game between the San Jose Earthquakes and the New York Cosmos marks the fifth time the coasts have come together in regular season play since the Earthquakes joined the North American Soccer League in 1974. In the previous four contests between the Earthquakes and the Cosmos, each team has picked up two wins. The first encounter was played midway through the 1974 campaign and saw the Quakes steal a 3-2 overtime win at Spartan Stadium. The following year resulted in a July victory for the Cosmos, a 2-1 tiebreaker decision at Randall's Island. In 1976 the Earthquakes copped the old Southern Division crown, beating the Cosmos by a 2-1 margin in San Jose along the way. The last game played between the Quakes and the Cosmos was in 1977 and the New York squad took a 3-0 win at the Meadowlands en route to the first of two consecutive NASL championships. The two clubs did not meet last year.

Fortunes/Misfortunes

In 1979 Campaign: The Cosmos enter tonight's contest with a 19-6 report card, in first place in the National Conference's Eastern Division, 21 points ahead of the second-place Washington Diplomats. The New Yorkers 171 points represents the highest point total in the league this year. Last year, on the strength of a 24-6 mark, the Cosmos earned 212 total counters. The Cosmos enter tonight's contest with a three-game win streak which comes on the heels of a two-game loss skein at the Meadowlands. The back-to-back defeats marked the first time since early in the 1977 season that the Cosmos had dropped consecutive home encounters.

Meanwhile, the Earthquakes have been less fortunate in their sixth NASL season. Holders of an 8-17 mark and 85 points, the Earthquakes are coming off a 3-2 win in Chicago on Wednesday night at Soldier Field. Despite the less-than-glamorous mark earned by San Jose thus far, the Earthquakes are still hopeful of gaining a playoff spot for the fourth time in six seasons.

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Earthquakes at Cosmos 2-2-2

Child Snaps String: Paul Child, the Earthquakes 26-year-old forward who virtually owns the club record books, scored the Earthquakes winning goal Wednesday vs. Chicago to snap a 10-game scoring drought. For the Engalnder, the score was his second game-winning tally of the 1979 season and upped his San Jose career total to 16 game-enders. Child's scoreless streak included 11 games, but the 5-10, 155 lb. striker watched one of those from the bench as a result of a red card suspension. Child started the 1979 season as the league's second all-time leading scorer, two points ahead of the Cosmos Giorgio Chinaglia. Chinaglia has since passed Child.

THE TOP THREE ALL-TIMERS				
Name (Club)	Games	Goals	Assists	Points
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Ilija Mitic (SJ) *	166	101	37	239
Chinaglia (NY)	98	93	35	221
Child (SJ)	174	77	36	190

Quakes Gathering Steam: The Earthquakes enter tonight's game with four wins in their last five games. The Quakes have been "streaky" at best in 1979 as the club dropped its first eight games this year, won two in a row, dropped four straight, won two more back-to-back tilts, dropped another four straight contests, pieced together two consecutive victories, won a game, lost a game, and are currently on a two-game win "streak". Of San Jose's 25 games thus far, 20 have been decided by one goal. Of those 20 one-goal games, the Quakes have been winners seven times. Of the five contests which were decided by more than one goal, San Jose has picked up just one victory. In their last five games, the Earthquakes have allowed 10 goals in regulation time while collecting 11 regulation time tallies of their own.

Armstrong Shows Form: Tom Armstrong, the Earthquakes 25-year-old left wing, is turning it on for the club's late-season attempt for a spot in the playoffs. Armstrong joined the Earthquakes on June 13 from the San Diego Sockers. The Northern Ireland native had appeared in nine games for the Sockers and scored two goals (both coming against the Earthquakes in San Diego's 4-3 shootout win on April 21) before he made his way North with Tony Donlic in a deal which sent the Earthquakes third round draft choice, defender Doc Lawson, to the Sockers. In the Earthquakes last two games, Armstrong has scored two goals and added two assists to keep the San Jose playoff hopes intact. Before joining the Sockers this year, Armstrong was a member of Ards F.C. in the Irish League where he had scored 60 goals in the last two campaigns. He has also made appearances as a member of the Northern Ireland National side.

TONIGHT'S OFFICIALS: Tonight's referee is David Syme. The linesmen are Samuel Homich and Christian Werstein.

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Earthquakes at Cosmos 3-3-3

The San Jose Eleven: Earthquakes head coach Peter Stubbe has announced he will not change his starting slate from the winning 11 he fielded Wednesday against the Sting. As announced by Stubbe, below is the starting lineup for the Earthquakes this evening:

	Mike #24 Hewitt		
Ian #6 Wood	Dieter #4 Versen (sweeper)	John #12 Rowlands	Willi #5 Cryns
Gunter #8 Etterich	Sam #17 Bick	Bernie #9 Gersdorff	
Steve #14 Ryan	*Paul #10 Child	Tom #11 Armstrong	

Ryan a Candidate: Steve Ryan will make his second straight start this evening along the San Jose front line. The 22-year-old is a graduate of San Jose State University and was a first round draft pick by the neighboring Earthquakes before the start of the current season. With the exception of Wednesday's start on the right side of San Jose's forward line, Ryan has been used exclusively as a midfielder in his rookie season. The Bay Area native has now appeared in 19 games for San Jose and has started in eight contests. He has been listed by SPORTING NEWS as a rookie of the year candidate in 1979.

Stubbe Seeks Ninth: Peter Stubbe, the Earthquakes player personnel director-turned head coach, is seeking his ninth North American Soccer League win this evening. The 36-year-old West German took over the coaching reins in San Jose on May 21, two days after the club's eighth straight loss resulted in the exit of former mentor Terry Fisher. Stubbe, who was responsible for the recruitment of San Jose starters Willi Cryns, Dieter Versen, Gunter Etterich, Bernie Gersdorff and reserves Detlef Webers and Ove Flindt, has prior coaching experience in West Germany's Second Division as well as Denmark's First Division. In 1974, he served as the tactical director for the Australian National side. Since taking over as head coach in San Jose, Stubbe has earned an 8-9 mark.

Gersdorff Commands

Quakes Scoring Lead: Bernie Gersdorff, the Earthquakes 32-year-old midfielder, has taken over the scoring lead among San Jose players. The former West German National Team member (with Franz Beckenbauer) entered Wednesday's game vs. Chicago in a tie for the club scoring lead with forward Paul Child. However, Gersdorff scored the Quakes first two goals in the Windy City and now has a three-point jump on Child with 10 goals and five assists for 25 points.

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Earthquakes at Cosmos 4-4-4

SAN JOSE EARTHQUAKES 1979 PLAYER ROSTER:

No.	Player	Position	Age*	Height	Weight	Citizenship
1	Chris Turner	G	19	6'-1"	185	Canada
2	Ken McDonald	D	21	6'-3"	190	U.S.A.
4	Dieter Versen	D	33	5'-9"	170	West Germany
5	Willi Cryns	D	26	6'-1"	170	West Germany
6	Ian Wood	D	31	5'-9"	165	England
7	Ove Flindt	M	30	5'-10"	160	Denmark
8	Gunter Etterich	M	27	5'-10"	165	West Germany
9	Bernie Gersdorff	M	32	6'-0"	185	West Germany
10	Paul Child	F	26	5'-10"	155	England
11	Tom Armstrong	F	25	6'-0"	160	Northern Ireland
12	John Rowlands	D	32	6'-2"	180	England
14	Steve Ryan	M	22	5'-10"	175	U.S.A.
15	Easy Perez	F	21	5'-8"	140	U.S.A.
17	Sam Bick	M	24	5'-11"	180	U.S.A.
18	Mike Simon	M	19	6'-0"	170	U.S.A.
20	Charlie Kadupski	D	22	6'-0"	170	U.S.A.
21	Detlef Webers	F	29	6'-0"	170	West Germany
22	Carl Christensen	D	22	5'-11"	175	U.S.A.
24	Mike Hewitt	G	29	5'-11"	165	Scotland

*Age as of April 1, 1979

Head Coach: Peter Stubbe

Gersdorff Moving

On San Jose Marks: Bernie Gersdorff, the Earthquakes scoring leader thus far in 1979, has set one club mark this year and is rapidly nearing another. Gersdorff scored his fourth penalty kick tally on July 11 at Spartan Stadium vs. Philadelphia and in so doing, moved into the San Jose record book. His four "charity" shots are one better than former Quakes midfielder Ilija Mitic's three PK scores in 1975 and in 1978. Gersdorff is close to moving Mitic, the league's all-time leading scorer, out of another club record. Gersdorff has taken 95 shots in his 25 starts this season, just eight shy of bettering Mitic's 102 attempts in 1976. Gersdorff, the only member of the San Jose roster to have appeared in all 25 games this season, is 313 minutes shy of bettering Paul Child's club mark for most minutes played in a single season. Child set the club standard last season, playing 2660 minutes. Gersdorff has currently logged 2348 minutes of action.

Etterich Finds Place

In San Jose Annals: Gunter Etterich, the Earthquakes 27-year-old middleman from Westfalia Herne in West Germany's Second Division, has also found himself a spot among club trend setters. Earlier this season, the midfielder pieced together three consecutive games with an assist in each to tie Leroy DeLeon's mark, set in 1977. Last Saturday, Etterich assisted on all three San Jose tallies vs. Tulsa and in so doing joined Ilija Mitic in the San Jose annals. Mitic performed the feat in 1976.

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EARTHQUAKES 1979 Statistics...8-17, 85 Points

No.	Player	GP	GS	Min.	Shots	Fls.	C/E	PK/PKA	SO/SOA	Gls.	As.	TP
9	Gersdorff	25	25	2348	95	78	5/0	4/4	3/3	10	5	25
10	Child	24	24	2200	51	45	5/1	0/1	3/4	8	6	22
8	Etterich	22	21	1875	42	44	4/0	0/0	0/0	4	8	16
11	Armstrong*	13	13	1200	31	37	0/1	0/0	1/3	4	6	14
7	Flindt	23	21	2050	63	48	0/0	0/0	2/4	2	5	9
6	Wood	17	17	1575	37	21	1/0	0/0	1/1	3	2	8
14	Ryan	19	8	1013	19	10	0/0	0/0	0/1	2	3	7
4	Versen	24	21	1948	18	19	4/0	0/0	0/0	1	2	4
17	Bick	24	24	2167	10	23	0/1	0/0	0/1	1	1	3
21	Webers	8	4	288	14	9	1/0	0/0	0/0	1	0	2
24	Hewitt	12	10	1045	0	0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0	1	1
15	Perez	1	0	31	2	1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0	0	0
22	Christensen	5	4	387	4	13	1/0	0/0	0/0	0	0	0
12	Rowlands+	16	16	1428	7	47	3/1	0/0	0/0	0	0	0
5	Cryns	23	23	2161	9	74	4/0	0/0	0/0	0	0	0
2	McDonald	0	0	0	0	0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0	0	0
18	Simon	0	0	0	0	0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0	0	0
20	Kadupski	0	0	0	0	0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0	0	0
--	OTHERS	34	--	2775	25	55	3/1	0/0	0/0	2	1	5

QUAKES TOTALS	25	--	2361	418	493	30/4	4/5	10/17	38	40	116
Opponents	25	--	2361	463	472	27/3	3/4	6/9	54	70	178

No.	Goalkeeper	GP	GS	Min.	Shots	Saves	Goals	PK/PKA	SO/SOA	SH	GAA
24	Hewitt	12	10	1045	193	57	21	2/2	3/8	1	1.81
1	Turner	16	15	1316	270	90	33	1/2	6/9	0	2.25
QUAKES TOTALS		25	--	2361	463	147	54	3/4	9/17	1	2.06
Opponents		25	--	2361	418	113	38	4/5	10/17	4	1.45

*San Jose Totals Only---Armstrong's totals in San Diego in 1979:
9 9 441 12 11 0/0 0/0 0/0 2 0 4

+San Jose Totals Only---Rowlands' totals in Tulsa in 1979:
6 5 462 1 13 1/0 0/0 0/0 0 0 0

Team Statistics:	Scoring by Periods							
	1	2	OT	SO	T	OG	CK	OF
EARTHQUAKES	16	22	0	2	40	0	179	77
Opponents	16	31	5	2	54	0	183	52

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EARTHQUAKES REGULAR SEASON RECORD: Home: 4-9, 44 pts. Road: 4-8, 41 pts.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Team Scoring</u>
3/31	PORTLAND	3-4L(OT)	17,111 (H)	Child(Etterich),Cohen(Unass.), Gersdorff(Etterich,Versen)
4/14	EDMONTON	0-1L(OT)	15,550 (H)	None
4/21	San Diego	3-4L(SO)	10,315 (A)	Child(Lawson),Ryan(Gersdorff,Flindt), Child(Gersdorff,Ryan)
4/28	LOS ANGELES	1-2L(OT)	15,051 (H)	Child(Flindt,Bick)
5/ 5	VANCOUVER	1-2L --	14,107 (H)	Gersdorff(Penalty Kick)
5/ 9	Detroit	0-3L --	7,281 (A)	None
5/12	Seattle	1-2L --	16,564 (A)	Gersdorff(Ryan)
5/19	SEATTLE	0-1L --	16,109 (H)	None
5/26	Edmonton	2-1W --	9,533 (A)	Lawson(Wood),Child(Flindt)
6/ 2	MEMPHIS	2-1W --	14,203 (H)	Etterich(Flindt,Child),Flindt(Child)
6/ 6	Minnesota	1-4L --	16,751 (A)	Gersdorff(Penalty Kick)
6/ 9	TORONTO	2-3L --	15,951 (H)	Child(Etterich),Gersdorff(Versen,Wood)
6/13	Tampa Bay	2-3L(SO)	17,517 (A)	Child(Armstrong,Etterich), *Versen(Armstrong,Ryan)
6/16	Ft. L'dale	1-3L --	11,104 (A)	Armstrong(Etterich)
6/20	Portland	2-1W --	9,711 (A)	Ryan(Child),Etterich(Child)
6/23	CHICAGO	4-2W --	14,077 (H)	Webers(Gersdorff),Gersdorff(Pen.Kick), Etterich(Armstrong),Bick(Unass.)
6/27	NEW ENGLAND	0-1L --	14,015 (H)	None
6/30	Philly	1-2L(OT)	6,435 (A)	Wood(Unass.)
7/ 4	Houston	0-4L --	7,703 (A)	None
7/ 7	FT. L'DALE	1-2L(OT)	15,099 (H)	Flindt(Armstrong,Gersdorff)
7/11	PHILLY	5-4W(SO)	13,555 (H)	Etterich(Unass.),Armstrong(Unass.), Wood(Unass.),Gersdorff(Pen.Kick)
7/14	Los Angeles	1-0W(SO)	10,733 (A)	None(Gersdorff scored winning SO score)
7/18	HOUSTON	1-2L --	14,551 (H)	Gersdorff(Hewitt)
7/21	TULSA	3-2W --	13,777 (H)	Wood(Etterich,Child), Armstrong(Flindt,Etterich), Armstrong(Etterich,Child)
7/25	Chicago	3-2W --	5,734 (A)	Gersdorff(Armstrong),Gersdorff(Unass.), Child(Gersdorff,Armstrong)