



CHICAGO STING GAME NOTES

GAME: No. 19
STING RECORD: 11-7
OPPONENT: New York Cosmos
DATE: June 28, 1981
SITE: Wrigley Field

PORTLAND EVENS UP WITH STING

The Portland Timbers won the second half of a home and home series with the Sting as they defeated Chicago 1-0 on Tuesday night at Comiskey Park. The only goal of the game came in the first half when Brian Gant headed in his second goal of the season. It was the third time this season that the Sting have been shutout; all have been by scores of 1-0. It was also the second consecutive home loss at Comiskey Park, a place where the Sting had chalked up a 15-0 regular season record prior to this year. The Sting have dropped four of their last five games while scoring a total of seven goals.

Missed opportunities came back to haunt the Sting on Tuesday. Just two minutes into the game, Charlie Fajkus had a semi-breakaway. Fajkus went around Portland goalkeeper Dragen Radovich, but from a severe angle hit the side of the net with his shot. That was only a preview of things to come.

Dieter Ferner passed his first big test of the night when Barry Powell blasted a shot from 25 yards out. Ferner made a diving save to his right to keep the game scoreless at the twelve minute mark.

At 17:30, Arno Steffenhagen drove deep into the left corner in Portland territory before passing back out to Charlie Fajkus. Fajkus fed Granitza a pass in the middle of the penalty area, but Dragen Radovich was able to save Karl's right footed shot.

At 26:45 the Sting scored an apparent goal when an indirect kick by Karl-Heinz Granitza from Ingo Peter found the upper right corner of the net. However, referee Gordon Arrowsmith disallowed the goal saying that Peter's pass to Karl-Heinz did not travel the full circumference of the ball, i.e. 27 inches, and therefore, the goal did not count. The subsequent indirect free kick was blocked by the Portland wall.

Chicago continued on the offense as Arno Steffenhagen centered to Rudy Glenn right up the middle. Glenn's shot was deflected wide at 36:32.

The only goal of the game came at 41:45. Willi Anderson set up the goal as he broke down the left side. Anderson crossed the ball to Brian Gant at the far post. Gant headed the ball into the ground and it bounced high over Ferner's head and into the left corner of the net for a 1-0 Portland lead at the half.

Seven minutes into the second half, Portland's Ally Brown broke down the right side and went around a Sting defender. Ferner came out of the goal to chase down Brown who, in turn, centered the ball to Stuart Lee. Lee's shot sailed high over the net at 52:58.

The Sting had two great chances near the end of the game. The first came on a direct free kick by Karl-Heinz Granitza at 86:50. Granitza's shot hit the crossbar and Pato Margetic could not convert on the rebound.

The last gasp for the Sting came at 89:25 when Charlie Fajkus crossed the ball to the middle from the right side. A Portland defender deflected the ball to Ingo Peter. Peter missed an open left corner of the net and time had run out on the Chicago Sting.

THREE STARS

1. Brian Gant, Portland
2. Willi Anderson, Portland
3. Frantz Mathieu, Chicago

STING-VS-COSMOS

PART II

Today is the second and final regular season meeting between these two clubs. The first time around, the Sting came away with an exciting 3-2 double overtime victory over the Cosmos in the Meadowlands. In that game, the Sting jumped out to a 2-0 lead. Karl-Heinz Granitza opened the scoring at 18:18 of the first half on a beautifully placed direct free kick. Pato Margetic made it 2-0 when he and Granitza worked a beautiful give and go that resulted in Pato beating Birkenmeier in the lower right corner of the net.

The Cosmos came storming back on a goal by Francois Van der Elst at 43:19 to cut the lead to 2-1 at halftime. Then, just 52 seconds into the second half, Giorgio Chinalgia scored on a penalty kick and the score was tied at 2-2.

Chicago ran into trouble when Ingo Peter was ejected at 57:36. The Sting held their own for the rest of regulation play and through the first overtime. Less than two minutes into the second overtime (99:23), Karl-Heinz Granitza was fouled at the top of the penalty area by Wim Rijsbergen and the Sting were awarded a free kick. Karl-Heinz lefted a shot that caromed off the crossbar and into the net for a 3-2 Sting win.

STING LEADING SCORERS -VS-COSMOS

In the only game these two teams have played this season, two players are in the scoring column for Chicago. They are Karl-Heinz Granitza (2 goals and 1 assist for 5 total points) and Pato Margetic (1 goal for 2 total points). Chicago holds a 5-1 lifetime edge over the Cosmos.

SEVEN STRAIGHT FOR COSMOS

The New York Cosmos behind Hubert Birkenmeier's fifth shutout of the season defeated the Fort Lauderdale Strikers in their last outing 2-0 on Wednesday night. It was Birkenmeier's second consecutive shutout and lowered his goals against average to 1.13 which ranks him third among NASL

goalkeepers. It was also the seventh win in a row for the Cosmos and the second time this year they have accomplished this feat. The Sting snapped their previous seven game streak with a 3-2 overtime win in New York. Giorgio Chinaglia scored his 21st goal of the season and Julio Cesar Romero added another first half goal to provide the margin of victory. The Cosmos ran their record to 16-4 and sit atop the Eastern Division of the NASL with 139 total points.

TODAY'S OFFICIALS

Referee: Dante Maglio
Sr. Linesman: Alfred Kleinaitis
Jr. Linesman: Michael Long
4th Official: Terrance Campbell
Assessor: Michael Wuertz

RADIO/TV

Today's game will be broadcast on WXFM (106) with Howard Balson describing the play-by-play action and Kenny Stern providing the color commentary.

This afternoon's game is being telecast back to New York via WOR-TV with Jim Carvellas handling the play-by-play and Seamus Malin on the color.

The game will also be broadcast to New York on WVNJ with Sam Rosen calling the play-by-play and Al Trautwig handling the color commentary.

STATUS REPORT

Chicago: Arno Steffenhagen, Midfield, Right Groin, Questionable
Greg Ryan, Defender, Right Ankle, Probable
Steve Long, Forward, Left Knee, Probable

New York: Angelo DiBernardo, Midfield, Left Hamstring, Out
Steve Wegerle, Forward, Fractured Wrist, Questionable
Ricky Davis, Midfield, Ankle Ligament Damage, Questionable

PRE-GAME FESTIVITIES

Prior to today's game, the first 10,000 fans entering the ballpark will receive a free Chicago Sting visor courtesy of Ovaltine and the Chicago Sting. Ovaltine will also be giving away 30,000 crunch bars to the first 30,000 fans entering the park.

The pre-game youth soccer match will be between teams from Rockford and Lake Forest. These youngsters are 12 years of age and under. The teams are members of the American Youth Soccer Organization.

Pre-game and halftime entertainment will also be provided by Mike Walbridge and the Chicago Foot-Warmers, a Dixieland Jazz Band.

Also at halftime, the Chicago Sting Honeybees will present a special dance routine as a tribute to the visiting New York Cosmos. Outfits for this special show have been provided by Gingiss International, Inc. The 1981 Honeybee squad is choreographed by Jack Villari and Lana Shields of the American Dance Center, Richton Park.

GAME-BY-GAME RESULTS

Record: 10-4 Home: 5-1 Away: 5-3

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTENDANCE	SCORING
4/11	at Tulsa	3-2 W (OT)	26,181	Granitza; Steffenhagen (Margetic, Granitza); Long (Margetic, Tyma)
4/18	MINNESOTA	0-1 L (WF)	18,181	None
4/25	TULSA	1-0 W (CP)	6,574	Granitza
4/28	at Montreal	1-2 L	15,467	Fajkus (Margetic, Peter)
5/3	TAMPA BAY	3-1 W (CP)	5,857	Granitza (Miljkovic); Peter; Fajkus (Margetic)
5/8	at Dallas	2-0 W	3,702	Granitza (Margetic); Margetic (Peter)
5/10	DALLAS	5-0 W (WF)	1,861	Margetic (Huson, Miljkovic); Glenn (Miljkovic, Peter); Granitza (Ryan, Fajkus); Ryan (Peter); Glenn (Margetic)
5/17	at New York	3-2 W (OT)	42,385	Granitza; Margetic (Granitza); Granitza
5/20	at Minnesota	5-2 W	11,857	Peter (Margetic); Peter; Steffenhagen (Margetic, Granitza); Granitza (Margetic, Miljkovic); Steffenhagen (Granitza)
5/23	SEATTLE	3-1 W (CP)	10,929	Steffenhagen (Spalding, Simanton); Steffenhagen (Long); Granitza (Long, Huson)
5/27	at Toronto	1-3 L	3,126	Spalding (PK)
5/31	MONTREAL	2-0 W (WF)	10,729	Granitza; Mathieu (Steffenhagen)
6/7	at San Diego	1-0 W	32,111	Steffenhagen (Simanton)
6/10	at Vancouver	1-3 L	20,875	Hall (Simanton, Steffenhagen)
6/14	WASHINGTON	2-1 L	8,069	Steffenhagen (Margetic, Granitza)
6/17	at Seattle	1-0 L	13,684	None
6/20	at Portland	4-2 W	12,510	Hahn; Margetic (Fajkus, Granitza); Steffenhagen (Peter); Huson (Granitza)
6/23	PORTLAND	1-0 L	9,568	None
TOTAL HOME ATTENDANCE: 71,768				TOTAL AWAY ATTENDANCE: 181,893
AVERAGE HOME ATTENDANCE: 8,971				AVERAGE AWAY ATTENDANCE: 18,189

1981 CHICAGO STING INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

NO.	NAME	GP	GS	MINN	SHS	FLS	C/E	SO/SOA	G	A	TP
12	Karl-Heinz Granitza	18	18	1618:14	65	27	3/1	0/0	10	7	27
6	Arno Steffenhagen	14	14	1237:25	25	9	3/0	0/0	8	2	18
10	Pato Margetic	14	14	1202:57	35	14	2/0	0/0	4	10	18
14	Ingo Peter	15	15	1302:26	31	33	4/1	0/0	3	5	11
9	Charlie Fajkus	14	13	1014:56	10	10	0/0	0/0	2	2	6
8	Rudy Glenn	16	12	1062:06	19	35	1/0	0/0	2	0	4
16	Dave Huson	17	17	1479:05	19	15	1/0	0/0	1	2	4
17	Steve Long	11	2	378:13	6	5	0/0	0/0	1	2	4
2	Ivan Miljkovic	16	14	1286:49	8	26	4/0	0/0	0	4	4
4	Derek Spalding	14	12	1025:33	8	29	2/0	0/0	1	1	3
3	Greg Ryan	10	6	618:29	1	10	0/0	0/0	1	1	3
11	Mark Simanton	10	9	668:25	7	22	2/0	0/0	0	3	3
7	Frantz Mathieu	18	18	1592:52	3	22	3/1	0/0	1	0	2
23	Bret Hall	13	8	891:20	9	17	1/0	0/0	1	0	2
5	Paul Hahn	5	5	405:00	7	2	0/0	0/0	1	0	2
18	John Tyma	2	1	75:51	1	3	0/0	0/0	0	1	1
13	Tasso Koutsoukos	8	4	454:46	13	10	0/0	0/0	0	0	0
1	Phil Parkes	10	9	788:12	0	1	1/0	0/0	0	0	0

TOTAL				1624:16	267	290	28*/4	0/0	36	40	112
OPPONENTS				1624:16	315	349	25/2	0/0	23	23	69

GOALKEEPER STATISTICS

NO.	NAME	GP	GS	MINN	SHS	SVS	G	PK/PKA	SO/SOA	S	GAA
1	Phil Parkes	10	9	788:12	151	41	11	2/3	0/0	3	1.26
20	Paul Coffee	6	5	486:04	91	36	6	1/1	0/0	2	1.11
22	Dieter Ferner	4	4	360:00	73	20	6	1/1	0/0	0	1.50

TOTAL				1624:16	315	97	23	4/5	0/0	5	1.27
OPPONENTS				1624:16	267	78	36	1/2	0/0	3	2.00

TEAM STATISTICS

SCORING BY PERIODS

	1	2	OT	SH	T	OWN	CORNERS	OFFSIDES
STING	16	18	2	0	36	0	94	51
OPPONENTS	12	11	0	0	23	0	119	46

* TOTAL INCLUDES ONE CAUTION AND ONE EJECTION TO COACH ROY.

1981 CHICAGO STING OUTDOOR ROSTER

ALPHABETICAL

NO.	NAME	POS.	BIRTHDATE	HT.	WT.	CITIZENSHIP
20	Paul Coffee	G	Nov. 12, 1956	6-1	174	United States
15	Jorge Espinoza	M	Mar. 11, 1953	6-0	155	Chile
9	Charlie Fajkus	M	Mar. 4, 1957	5-10	158	United States
22	Dieter Ferner	G	Jan. 16, 1949	6-0	160	West Germany
8	Rudy Glenn	M	Oct. 12, 1958	6-2	185	United States
12	Karl-Heinz Granitza	F	Nov. 1, 1951	6-0	182	West Germany
5	Paul Hahn	D	Jan. 16, 1949	6-2	188	West Germany
23	Bret Hall	M	Nov. 16, 1956	5-7	148	United States
16	Dave Huson	F	Jan. 5, 1951	5-9	150	Channel Island
13	Tasso Koutsoukos	F	Apr. 14, 1959	5-10	173	Canada
17	Steve Long	F	Apr. 23, 1957	5-7	148	United States
10	Pato Margetic	F	May 17, 1960	5-11	154	Argentina
7	Frantz Mathieu	D	Dec. 23, 1952	5-11	162	Haiti
2	Ivan Miljkovic	D	Aug. 1, 1949	6-1	175	Yugoslavia
1	Phil Parkes	G	July 14, 1947	6-3	204	England
14	Ingo Peter	M	Oct. 23, 1951	6-3	187	West Germany
3	Greg Ryan	D	Jan. 21, 1957	5-9	156	United States
11	Mark Simanton	M	Dec. 8, 1958	5-11	158	United States
4	Derek Spalding	D	Dec. 20, 1954	5-9	179	United States
6	Arno Steffenhagen	M	Sept. 24, 1949	5-9	159	West Germany
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Head Coach/Team Manager - Willy Roy
Assistant Coach - Mike Grbic
Trainer - Jerry Carter
Equipment Manager - Willy Steinmiller

NASL STANDINGS

EASTERN DIVISION

	GP	W	L	TP
New York	20	16	4	139
Washington	18	9	9	76
Montreal	18	8	10	71
Toronto	18	4	14	47

SOUTHERN DIVISION

Atlanta	20	11	8	97
Ft. Lauderdale	20	12	8	87
Tampa Bay	21	9	12	80
Jacksonville	19	10	9	77

CENTRAL DIVISION

CHICAGO	18	11	7	95
Minnesota	18	11	7	90
Tulsa	18	10	8	86
Dallas	19	2	17	21

WESTERN DIVISION

Los Angeles	20	10	9	86
San Diego	19	10	9	80
California	19	8	11	73
San Jose	19	8	11	72

NORTHWEST DIVISION

Vancouver	19	13	6	109
Seattle	21	11	10	97
Portland	18	10	8	83
Calgary	19	9	10	78
Edmonton	18	6	12	64

LEADING SCORERS

<u>LEADING SCORERS</u>		G	A	TP
Giorgio Chinalgia, NY	20	21	10	52
B. Kidd, ATL	15	16	4	36
R. Cabanas, NY	17	12	4	28
Karl-Heinz Granitza, CHI	18	10	7	27
Frantz Gerber, CGY	12	11	4	26
T. Cubillas, FTL	20	10	6	26
Mike Stojanovic, SND	19	11	2	25
G. Hill, MTL	18	9	6	24
D. McKenzie, TLS	18	8	8	24
Peter Lorimer, VCR	19	7	11	25