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# NEWS RELEASE

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## THE COSMOS ARE HERE

VANCOUVER--The Vancouver Whitecaps will be attempting to get back on the winning track on Thursday night at Empire Stadium at 8:00 p.m., when we take on the Cosmos and the three million dollar team of superstars, Pele, Giorgio Chinaglia and Franz Beckenbauer.

The game with its array of international stars who have made many appearances for their native countries, will be just one of the dramatic points of the game.

Not to be overlooked is a ~~matchup~~ of the best two American goalkeepers--  
The Cosmos' Shep Messing and the Whitecaps' Arnie Mausser.

We will also be seeing Pele for the last time as he will be retiring at the end of the 1977 NASL season, which at the moment could be one of his best. This season Pele has amassed 3 hat tricks (vs. Fort Lauderdale, May 15th; Tampa Bay, June 19th; and Los Angeles, June 26th), which puts him second in the NASL scoring leaders with 11 goals and 3 assists for 25 points, 9 points behind Steve David of Los Angeles. Pele has scored 1271 career goals in 1341 games for an average of .94 goals per game.

To assist Pele on the forward line are Italian superstar Giorgio Chinaglia who has 8 goals, 3 assists for 19 points to put him in the top ten NASL leading scorers. To help on the defensive and scoring end, The Cosmos have West German star Franz "Kaizer" Beckenbauer who since 1972 has captained the World Cup winners, three European Cup winners, one World Cup championship team, one European championship team, and two West German National championship teams. In a career that has seen him play 102 times for his national team, he has won every possible championship medal, while playing in all three of soccer's field positions: forward, midfield and defense.

If the Cosmos are ripe to have their own legend created, Pele along with Beckenbauer and Chinaglia, could be the men who write the most impressive chapters.

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GAME NOTES  
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### COSMOS versus WHITECAPS

VANCOUVER--As a result of games played last night in the Western Division of the Pacific Conference, the Vancouver Whitecaps remain in second place in the division, but are now 20 points behind leading Minnesota. Last night Minnesota defeated the Portland Timbers in Portland. Southern Division Dallas did Vancouver a favour in a round about way as well, defeating Seattle last night in a shoot out. The Sounders lost 1-0 and as a result scored no bonus points and remain two points behind the Whitecaps in third, while Portland remains in last place within the division.

Meanwhile the Cosmos are on top of their division, in the Atlantic Conference with a league high 100 points. Vancouver's record against the Cosmos in the last two seasons is a good one. Whitecaps defeated the Cosmos on their two previous meetings in 1975 and 1976.

#### Recap

The Whitecaps suffered their worst loss of the current 1977 NASL season (5-2) to the Chicago Sting on June 24, 1977. A very disheartening loss, but not the worst in their 4-year NASL history; that loss came at the midway point of the 1976 season when they were beaten (6-1) by San Antonio Thunder (now Team Hawaii). What made the loss in Chicago more disheartening was the fact that one man scored all five goals, that being Ron Moore.

The 'Caps goals were scored by Tommy Ord and Buzz Parsons. Parson's goal and assist give him the Whitecaps scoring lead with four goals and two assists for 10 points.

Coach Tony Waiters said, "It wasn't a 5-2 game. I think that was reflected in the final statistics. We outshot them 24-17 and I was very pleased with what we did when we had the ball."

## VANCOUVER WHITECAPS

## PLAYER STATISTICS

to June 29, 1977

<u>No.</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Games Started</u>	<u>Minutes Played</u>	<u>Shots</u>	<u>Goals</u>	<u>Assists</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Fouls</u>	<u>T-B</u>
2	Garry Ayre	13	11	1118	0	0	0	0	23	--
3	Bruce Wilson	16	16	1485	15	0	5	5	16	3-1
4	Holger Osieck	15	14	1285	19	3	0	6	21	1-0
5	Bob Lenarduzzi	16	16	1481	13	0	2	2	6	2-1
6	Sam Lenarduzzi	12	10	960	4	0	0	0	13	1-0
7	Buzz Parsons	15	12	1213	42	4	3	11	22	3-0
8	Glen Johnson	3	3	219	13	1	1	3	4	--
9	Brian Budd	9	6	595	19	0	1	1	6	1-1
10	Bob Bolitho	14	13	1118	27	3	1	7	17	2-0
11	Les Wilson	1	1	90	0	0	0	0	2	--
12	Marko Vujkovic	9	8	740	11	3	1	7	9	1-0
13	Daryl Samson	1	0	14	1	0	0	0	0	--
14	Brian Bason	10	9	835	21	2	1	5	15	--
15	Peter Stollwerk	12	11	899	3	0	0	0	14	--
16	Tommy Ord	10	9	698	30	2	2	6	16	--
17	Tony Funnell	8	4	399	12	1	0	2	9	1-0
18	Gary Thompson*	8	2	274	4	0	1	1	3	2-1
19	Dale Mitchell	1	0	5	1	0	0	0	0	--
20	Mladen Stefanovic	2	1	90	3	0	0	0	3	--
21	Gordon Taylor	6	6	555	5	1	3	5	11	1-0
24	Derek Possee	6	6	555	19	3	0	6	8	--

\*No longer with club.

Whitecaps Totals	16		281	23	21	67	216	18-4
Opposition Totals	16		287	23	20	66	305	19-6

<u>No.</u>	<u>Goalkeeper</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Minutes Played</u>	<u>Saves</u>	<u>Shutouts</u>	<u>Goals</u>	<u>G.A. Average</u>
22	Arnold Mausser	16	1485	95	5	23	1.39
23	Vanis Fabbro	0	0	0	0	0	0.0

GAMES

# 1	Portland 1 @ Vancouver 0	#14	Rochester 0 @ Vancouver 2
# 2	San Jose 0 @ Vancouver 2	#15	Toronto 1 @ Vancouver 0 - TB
# 3	Minnesota 0 @ Vancouver 1	#16	Vancouver 2 @ Chicago 5
# 4	Vancouver 1 @ Hawaii 2		
# 5	Vancouver 1 @ San Jose 2		
# 6	Dallas 2 @ Vancouver 3 - TB		
# 7	Vancouver 0 @ Las Vegas 1 - TB		
# 8	Vancouver 1 @ Los Angeles 3		
# 9	Vancouver 2 @ Minnesota 4		
#10	Fort Lauderdale 1 @ Vancouver 2		
#11	Connecticut 1 @ Vancouver 2		
#12	Vancouver 3 @ St. Louis 1		
#13	Vancouver 2 @ Tampa 1		

# NORTH AMERICAN SOCCER LEAGUE STANDINGS

(up to and including June 29, 1977)

## ATLANTIC CONFERENCE

	<u>GP</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>GF</u>	<u>GA</u>	<u>BP</u>	<u>Points</u>
<u>Northern Division</u>							
St. Louis	18	9	9	24	25	24	78
Rochester	16	7	9	25	28	24	66
Chicago	17	6	11	20	29	17	53
Toronto	15	5	10	19	27	18	48
Connecticut	15	2	13	14	39	14	26
<u>Eastern Division</u>							
Cosmos	17	11	6	39	23	34	100
Fort Lauderdale	16	10	6	25	20	24	84
Tampa	16	9	7	35	27	29	83
Washington	15	6	9	15	19	15	51

## PACIFIC CONFERENCE

	<u>GP</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>GF</u>	<u>GA</u>	<u>BP</u>	<u>Points</u>
<u>Western Division</u>							
Minnesota	17	11	6	28	20	27	93
Vancouver	16	8	8	24	25	24	72
Seattle	16	8	8	22	20	22	70
Portland	16	7	9	24	24	24	66
<u>Southern Division</u>							
Los Angeles	16	11	5	41	27	37	103
Dallas	17	11	6	36	25	33	99
Hawaii	19	9	10	30	38	29	83
Las Vegas	17	10	7	21	17	21	81
San Jose	17	8	9	24	32	23	71

## GAMES TONIGHT

Thursday, June 30	Washington at Toronto	8:00 p.m. EDT
	Cosmos at Vancouver	8:00 p.m. PDT

## FUTURE GAMES

Friday, July 1	Tampa Bay at Fort Lauderdale	8:00 p.m. EDT
	Portland at Hawaii	7:30 p.m. HDT
Saturday, July 2	Chicago at Dallas	8:00 p.m.
	Cosmos at Los Angeles	2:00 p.m.
	Connecticut at Las Vegas	8:00 p.m.
	Toronto at San Jose	8:00 p.m.
Sunday, July 3	no games	