



media release

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GAME #22 VANCOUVER WHITECAPS vs. NEW YORK COSMOS

PREVIOUS GAME: The Whitecaps handed the Cosmos just their third loss of the season, and their worst loss by a 4-1 score on June 16 at Empire Stadium in Vancouver. First half goals by Hector, Sammels and Valentine, and a second half goal from Possee gave Vancouver an insurmountable lead before the Cosmos got a late penalty kick goal from Chinaglia.

SERIES RECORD: That was the fourth win in five previous regular season games between the two teams. Vancouver suffered its first ever loss to the Cosmos last season here at the Meadowlands by a 3-2 score.

LAST GAME: The Whitecaps are coming off a 1-0 loss to Johan Cruyff and the Los Angeles Aztecs on Wednesday night in Vancouver. A crowd of 29,000 saw the game which dropped the Whitecaps into a tie for top spot in the National Conference West with the Aztecs. That crowd pushed total attendance in the stadium (Capacity: 32,000) this year over the one-quarter million mark: an increase of 84% over last season.

INJURIES: Defenders John Craven and Roger Kenyon continue to be the main focus of the Whitecaps injury problems. Craven played only 20 minutes against the Cosmos before leaving with a calf injury, and has not played since. He is with the club on this road trip, but doubtful for this game. Kenyon, who has missed 10 games with a hamstring injury, is not with the team on the road trip. Their absence has left a big hole in the Whitecaps' defence, with forwards Trevor Whymark and Buzz Parsons filling in. They have done a remarkable job as Vancouver still maintains the best defensive record in the League.

SCORING: Leading scorer Kevin Hector has counted just two assists in the last four games, but can be expected to pull out of his mild slump at any time. Trevor Whymark has added two goals to his total since playing on the back line, and Willie Johnston leads in assists with 11. Midfielder Alan Ball, who has played six games for Vancouver since coming from Philadelphia, has counted 4 goals and 4 assists for 12 points, with 2 of his goals being game winners.

ON THE ROAD: The Whitecaps travel to Washington tomorrow for a Wednesday night game against the Diplomats. Last year Vancouver swept both games from the Dips, including a 2-1 Shootout win at RFK Stadium.

OTHER NOTES: All eight Vancouver losses this year have been by one goal: three in the Shootout and four by a regulation time score of 1-0 No team has scored more than 2 goals against Vancouver in regulation and overtime play this season Goalkeeper Phil Parkes has led the League in average for almost the entire season At this time last year, Vancouver had a record of 15-6 The crowd of 44,673 at the Meadowlands last year was the largest that a Whitecaps team has ever played in front of Striker Derek Possee has scored 4 goals in the last three games against the Cosmos Compared to this time last year, Vancouver has scored 2 more goals (38 vs 36) but given up 5 more goals (25 vs 20)

VANCOUVER WHITECAPS STATISTICS TO JULY 15

RECORD: 13 WINS 8 LOSSES 115 POINTS

NO	PLAYER	GP	GS	MINUTES	SHOTS	FOULS	C/E	PK/PKA	G	A	PTS
11	Kevin Hector	21	21	1956:40	82	33	3/0	0/0	14	6	34
20	Willie Johnston	20	20	1882:26	42	44	7/0	0/0	1	11	13
9	Trevor Whymark	21	20	1877:44	54	34	0/0	0/1	6	1	13
21	Carl Valentine	21	15	1580:08	19	16	0/0	0/0	4	4	12
23	Alan Ball	6	6	570:00	11	5	0/0	3/4	4	4(3)	12(15)
8	Jon Sammels	21	21	1917:28	38	29	0/0	0/1	2	5	9
24	Derek Possee	12	8	739:49	21	14	0/0	0/0	3	1	7
10	Bob Bolitho	21	15	1503:15	20	23	1/0	0/0	0	7	7
2	Ray Lewington	20	20	1825:43	20	52	2/0	0/0	1	3	5
5	Bob Lenarduzzi	20	19	1736:26	22	29	3/1	0/0	0	3	3
17	Peter Daniel	19	19	1689:27	8	46	2/0	0/0	1	0	2
4	John Craven	6	6	461:43	4	7	0/1	0/0	1	0	2
7	Buzz Parsons	13	11	952:14	17	20	0/0	0/0	0	1	1
6	Roger Kenyon	8	8	645:54	6	22	2/1	0/0	0	1	1
18	Dan Lenarduzzi	6	0	188:51	0	1	0/0	0/0	0	0	0
1	Phil Parkes	21	21				1/0		0	1	1
OTHERS		2	2	136:38	0	6	0/0	0/0	0	0	0
VANCOUVER TOTALS					366	384	22/3	3/6	37	47	121
OPPONENTS TOTALS					233	442	28/4	2/2	22	32	77
GOALKEEPERS		GP	GS	MINUTES	SHOTS	SAVES	PK/PKA	SO/SOA	SO	GA	AVERAGE
Phil Parkes		21	21	1972:26	233	65	2/2	12/21	3	22	1.00
OPPONENTS		21	21	1972:26	366	125	3/6	10/21	4	37	1.69

GAME BY GAME: ATTENDANCE AND RESULTS:

Home: 8-3 AWAY: 5-5

Home Attendance: 251,444 Average: 22,858 Away Attendance: 120,821 Average: 12,082

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTENDANCE	TEAM SCORING				
3/30	Dallas	2-1 L(SO)	24,850	Hector(Lewington)				
4/6	Edmonton	2-0 W	18,097	Craven(Bolitho) Hector(Lewington)				
4/14	at Chicago	3-2 W(SO)	10,130	Sammels(Parsons) Hector(Sammels Bolitho)				
4/21	Portland	2-1 W	23,137	Whymark(Valentine Bolitho) Whymark(Hector Sammels)				
4/27	at San Diego	1-0 L	10,514	-----				
5/2	San Diego	3-1 W	16,985	Whymark(Hector Johnston) Hector(2)				
5/5	at San Jose	2-1 W	14,107	Hector(Johnston Bolitho) Daniel(Johnston)				
5/11	Rochester	1-0 W(OT)	22,078	Valentine(Bolitho)				
5/18	Philadelphia	2-0 W	18,293	Hector(Johnston) Whymark(Johnston)				
5/30	at Edmonton	3-1 W	10,529	Hector(Johnston Sammels) Hector(Johnston Kenyon) Hector(Valentine)				
6/2	Houston	1-0 L	26,013	-----				
6/7	at Tulsa	2-1 W	10,102	Lewington(Valentine) Valentine				
6/10	at Minnesota	1-0 L	24,061	-----				
6/13	at California	3-2 L(SO)	7,182	Possee(Johnston Hector) Hector(Sammels)				
6/16	New York	4-1 W	32,372	Hector(Valentine) Sammels(Hector) Valentine(Johnston Lenarduzzi) Possee(Johnston Lenarduzzi)				
6/24	California	2-1 W(OT)	20,814	Johnston(Ball) Ball(PK)				
6/27	at Atlanta	3-1 W	5,152	Hector(Johnston) Ball(PK) Hector(Ball Bolitho)				
6/30	at Ft. Lauderdale	3-2 L(SO)	15,259	Whymark Possee(Sammels Ball)				
7/4	at Toronto	2-1 L	13,754	Valentine(Ball Possee)				
7/7	Seattle	3-1 W	20,041	Ball(PK) Whymark(Lewington Hector) Ball(Lenarduzzi Hector)				
7/11	Los Angeles	1-0 L	28,764	-----				
SCORING BY HALF:		1	2	OT	SO	TOTAL	CORNERS	OFFSIDES
VANCOUVER		20	15	2	1	38	168	67
OPPONENTS		14	8	0	3	25	97	47

INDIVIDUAL SHOOTOUT RESULTS: Hector 2/3; Johnston 2/2; Valentine 1/3; Ball 0/1;
 Whymark 2/2; Sammels 0/1; Bolitho 1/4; Lewington 0/1; Lenarduzzi B. 2/3;
 Lenarduzzi D. 0/1

VANCOUVER WHITECAPS
1979 ROSTER

AS OF JUNE 24/79

NO	NAME	POS	AGE	HT	WT	CITIZEN/PREVIOUS TEAM
1	Phil Parkes	G	31	6-3	190	England/Wolverhampton
2	Ray Lewington	M	22	5-6	150	England/Chelsea
4	John Craven	D	30	6-0	180	England/Plymouth Argyle
5	Bob Lenarduzzi	M/D	23	6-1	165	Canada/Reading
6	Roger Kenyon	D	28	6-0	180	England/Everton
7	Buzz Parsons	F/D	28	5-9	160	Canada/Whitecaps
8	Jon Sammels	M	32	5-10	160	England/Leicester City
9	Trevor Whymark	F	28	5-11	160	England/Ipswich Town
10	Bob Bolitho	D	26	5-9	170	Canada/Whitecaps
11	Kevin Hector	F	33	5-8	150	England/Derby County
12	Paul Nelson	D	20	5-8	160	Canada/Whitecaps
17	Peter Daniel	D	32	5-10	160	England/Derby County
18	Dan Lenarduzzi	D	19	6-1	175	Canada/Whitecaps
20	Willie Johnston	F	32	5-7	155	Scotland/West Bromwich
21	Carl Valentine	F	20	5-9	160	England/Oldham Athletic
22	Bruce Grobbelaar	G	21	6-1	175	South Africa/Durban City
23	Alan Ball	M	34	5-8	142	England/Southampton
24	Derek Possee	F	33	5-5	135	England/Leyton Orient
26	David McGill	M	18	5-8	150	Canada/Whitecaps
27	Gerry Gray	M	18	5-7	145	Canada/Whitecaps
28	Stevan Nesin	F	18	5-9	160	Canada/Whitecaps
29	Carl Shearer	D	18	6-3	200	Canada/Whitecaps
30	Alan Soundraal	D	18	5-11	165	Canada/Whitecaps
31	Ralston Dunlop	F	19	5-9	155	Canada/Whitecaps
32	Brent Barling	F	18	5-10	160	Canada/Whitecaps

TEAM MANAGER & HEAD COACH: Tony Waiters

CAPTAIN: Jon Sammels

TEAM COACH: Bob McNab

TEAM COLOURS:

ASSISTANT COACH & TRAINER: Dennis Loze

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