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report.

The son of a professional athlete, Kentling was born in Houston, Texas, in 1939. He attended the University of Kansas and Wichita State University, where he played varsity baseball. After graduating in 1962, Kentling learned the ins and outs of the newspaper business in California until 1970. For the next ten years, he held major marketing positions with Pizza Hut Inc., which is headquartered in Wichita, Kansas.

From 1980 until the spring of 1986, Kentling was the Director and General Manager of the MISL Wichita Wings. He has since been elected unanimously as the third commissioner of the Major Indoor Soccer League.

The following quotes are from Commissioner Kentling.

MISL NEEDS

"Like all sports, we have needs, and one of the needs we have is to have great success in the large metropolitan areas like New York, Chicago, and Los Angeles.

One of the things that made the North American Soccer League great was that its two strongest franchises were located in





Bill Kentling—Commissioner of the Major Indoor Soccer League.

Chicago and New York. The fact that the Sting and Cosmos were predominant helped the League immensely. We need the same sort of development in this League.

We need success in Chicago, Los Angeles and New York. Of the three, Chicago will be the first huge city success in the League. We've been blessed with success in Baltimore, Cleveland, St. Louis, Kansas City and San Diego, but it has not yet happened in the three major cities. When that does happen, you will see the Major Indoor Soccer League develop from a regional phenomenon, as it is today, into a truly national force."

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NEW-LOOK STING

"The Chicago Sting, a prominent outdoor team, has not yet had the same level of success in the Major Indoor Soccer League. But I believe that this will change during this season. Although Chicago got off to a rocky start, I thought a lot of the work had been done during this past summer and some very important events occurred regarding the Chicago Sting franchise.

The first was that Kenny Stern became president of the franchise, and the front office was very positively reorganized. The second was that for the first time. at least to my knowledge, a community literally rose up and invested hundreds of thousands of dollars to attract an



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indoor franchise. I can't give enough credit to Mayor Stephens and the fine leaders in Rosemont for making that investment in the Horizon building.

The work that was done in the Rosemont Horizon during the off-season makes it one of the better indoor soccer facilities in North America. I think that as the Sting team begins to win more games and the Kenny Stern-led front office begins to focus on the opportunities it has now that it's located in the suburbs, I think you will see the Rosemont Horizon full time and time again.

I remember how deafeningly loud the small crowds attending games of the old Chicago Horizons team sounded. When the Sting draws capacity, as it will, it will be the finest arena in the League."

BIGGER AND BETTER

"We think the League had a couple of important developments in the off-season. First, a salary cap that stabilizes salaries and stabilizes expenses for owners for at least three years. Now we can stabilize the twelve franchises that are in and look forward to expansion.

There are several geographical areas where we need to expand. I think of interest to readers around Chicago is that we are looking very seriously at Indianapolis and Cincinnati. And with the already established Midwestern teams, such as Cleveland, Chicago, Minnesota and St. Louis, the addition of Cincinnati and/or Indianapolis would help to develop some great natural rivalries for all teams concerned.

When asked to go more deeply into the possibilities of future expansion, the commissioner stated:

"I hope I don't suffer from what some people call 'Commissioner's Disease'. I don't necessarily think that greatness is achieved by doubling the size of the League; we want our expansion te develop carefully. We want persons like Lee Stern and his family involved in other cities also. When we look at a Cincinnati or Indianapolis, a Miami, Florida or Boston, Massachusetts, we want to make sure of two things

One, we want to have the right sort of ownership, and two, we want to have the right sort of building. It's expensive to get into the Major Indoor Soccer League for a number of reasons. First of all, ownership believes strongly in the future of this League and secondly, many of our owners have poured millions of dollars into the development of soccer in their individual communities. I know Lee Stern and his family certainly have, and they've not done it with widespread corporate ownership. It's been one family writing checks for more than a decade. You're not going to take a multimillion dollar commitment from men like Lee Stern and just write a check for \$1.80 to enter that August group.

So it's going to cost a minimum of \$1.5 million to come into our League along with a commitment of from three to five years. And we want it proven to us that any new owners have the ability to go three to five years before we can consider them for entrance into this League."

TV AND TOURS

"We need to talk about other developments that came during the off-season, and which will pay dividends this year. Now we have a National Game of the Week on ESPN, post-NFL, The NFL is great again this year with the Chicago Bears and the New York Giants getting the most media attention. We must admit that we are not yet ready to take on the Bears, Giants or any other NFL teams on Sunday afternoons; I don't know any other sport that is. But when NFL season is over, we can take advantage of the Sunday afternoon "window" they have created with our Sunday ESPN coverage. Most of our games will come in February, March, April and May.

The other major event of the off-season was our ability to get one of the Soviet Union's top teams, Moscow Dynamo, to come to this country and play six MISL teams, including Chicago on February 5th. We love a situation of 'Us vo. Them', especially when 'Us' is the United States and 'Them' is Russia. We are certain the successful ESPN and Russian negotiations will pay dividends during the 1986-87 season."

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OWNERSHIP

"I am very happy with our League's ownership. I have found that in my brief tenure as commissioner that there is a real commitment by ownership to indoor soccer in this country.

In that light, a long-standing negative situation between the MISL and the United States Soccer Federation is about to be put to bed. Both sides are going to give one some points, and we are finally going to come to the point where indoor soccer is an important part of the USSF and the MISL will have a definite voice in the USSF.

That couldn't have happened, had not long time owners like Lee Stern put aside some of the hard feelings that had developed over the years. Lee Stern and others like Bob Bell were willing to put aside hard feelings for the betterment of the Major Indoor Soccer League, and all the credit in the world must go to them. We cannot succeed as a league, nor can the USSF achieve its potential greatness, if the two powers do not work together."

FINALLY

"I've been asked what I think of the new Rosemont Horizon. I've see it twice, once on television and once in person. My mother, who lives in Wichita, told me that the telecast of the game here between the Sting and the Wings was the best telecast she had ever seen. Because of the see-through glass she was able to see things she never realized happened along the boards, although she had seen Wings games for six years.

I really think the clear glass is going to be the wave of the future as indoor soccer becomes more and more a television sport. I also think that because of the unique values of the clear glass, the Sting will have a real home field advantage here at the Horizon, as they grow accustomed to the field and the clear glass boards.

Yes, I believe the Rosemont Horizon will prove to be a great home field for the Sting, but I should also add that like other buildings, the Rosemont Horizon will be a much better building when all the seats are full!"

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BATATA LIKES HIS OPPORTUNITIES WITH STING

By Keith Reinhard Daily Herald Sports

He appears to be too young to have suffered any identity crisis.

But Batata, a 5-foot-6 forward who figures to be a genuine crowd pleaser at the Rosemont Horizon this winter, has definitely undergone a change

or two since leaving his home town of Curitiba, Brazil and joining the Sting last month.

Batata comes to Chicago with world-class credentials. He also comes shouldering the onus of noncomformity. He didn't seem to quite fit in with his former club, the Los Angeles Lazers.

"The first year I was with Los Angeles, I tried to score as much as I could," said the youthful looking 31-year-old, who was the 18th-leading scorer in MISL play in 1984. "The next year they changed my style. They tried to involve more players in their offense, and I wound up playing a more defensive role."

The Lazers wanted to make some major personnel changes this year and that Batata, or "Potatoes" as he

is called, didn't fit into the picture.

That hasn't disappointed Batata.

"I used to play with some pretty good teams in Brazil and Mexico," he said, "and I'm anxious to be a part of

"I'm anxious to be a part of another winning organization"—Batata

another winning organization. There is a lot more talent here and even the fans seem to be more involved and interested than they were in Los Angeles."

Batata played for the world-famous Santos Brazil team from 1976-1980 and was voted the top right winger in the entire country in 1979 and 1980. He also sparked the club to league championships in 1976 and 1978, registering a record 15 goals during the 1978 playoffs.

In 1981, Club America in Mexico City purchased his contract for \$150,000 and he wound up playing three more seasons.

"It was while I was with Club America that I saw my first indoor games," Batata recalled. "I know a lot of outdoor players don't like indoor soccer, but I enjoyed it right away, from both the viewpoint of a spectator and a player. I felt, because of my quickness, I would be able to play it well."

His assessment was obviously correct. He was named to the MISL Western Division all-star squad in each of his three seasons with the Lazers. While his goal total slipped off from 36 in 1983-84 to 19 in 84-85 and 17 in 85-86, his assist total jumped up to a team-leading 29 last winter.

"Los Angeles had me playing from the midfield back during the last two years," Batata said. "As a former winger, I feel more comfortable playing from the middle up. I'm excited about getting the opportunity to do what I feel I can do best."

While Batata is excited about most aspects of his new home and team, he isn't anxious to see the snow fly.

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"I'm frankly scared of winter"-Batata

"I'm frankly scared of winter," he said. "I know my kids (Dennis 10, Agnes 9 and Alison 8) will love it, but I've never had to deal with snow and freezing weather before.



Batata, the Sting's leading candidate for the '87 All-Star Team, hopes to please the fans. —Photo courtesy of Brian Fritz



CHICAGO STING VS USSR'S PREMIERE SOCCER SQUAD: **DYNAMO MOSCOW**

"They are a powerhouse, simply put, they are the top guns in the Soviet Union and easily one of the best teams in the world."

-Sting Head Coach Erich Geyer

"They are the best team I've ever played against. They are the most impressive team I've ever played against. They have a total understanding of one another's game and are unbelievably disciplined. Their movement off the ball is incredible."

-Dave Huson, Sting Community Relations Director who played against Dynamo Moscow in '79



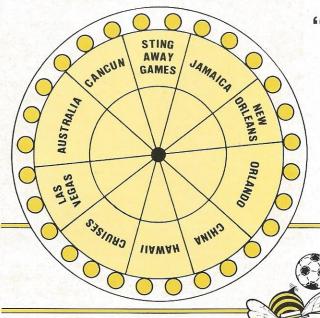
Dynamo Moscow after major cup victory in Europe.

(CHICAGO)—West welcomes East on Thursday, February 5, when the Chicago Sting hosts eleven-time Soviet champion Dynamo Moscow in the Rosemont Horizon at 7:30 PM.

"It will be a very tough game but a very even game," said Sting head coach Erich Geyer. "They will play four games before arriving in Chicago and that is all they will need to familiarize themselves with indoor carpet and boards. My experience with Dynamo Kiev in San Diego last year was that they were a completely different team in the second half. That was all the time they needed to get used to the indoor game," added Gever.

Tickets are now on sale and are available by calling the Sting at 245-KICK, Ticketmaster at 559-1212 or at the Horizon box office. Prices are: \$15, \$12, \$10, \$8 and \$5.

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Each month this section of your newsletter will contain a nearsighted and far ranging look at the MISL and its member teams. A light-hearted approach should be expected but the insight you will gain will help you to know the League and its players, coaches and support personnel better.

By Dave Albright

MISL

With the new year upon us, there are some exciting things to look forward to during the 1987 portion of this MISL season. Later this month, the Soviet Unions' Moscow Dynamo indoor soccer team will come to the United States for a six-city tour. The whirlwind excursion begins January 26 in Kansas City, and the complete tour looks like this:

January 26 vs Kansas City
January 27 vs Wichita
January 28 vs St. Louis
February 3 vs Baltimore
February 5 vs STING 7:30 PM
February 8 vs San Diego

Tickets for the Thursday, February 5 game at the Rosemont Horizon will be available AFTER January 6, 1987 at the following locations:

*Sting Ticket Office

327 S. LaSalle, Suite 1530

*Horizon Box Office

*All Ticketmaster locations including Carson Pirie Scott, Rose Records, Sportmart and Bergners locations *By phone with Mastercard and Visa by calling Ticketmaster at 559-1212 or the Chicago Sting at 245-KICK *Group rates are also available by calling 245-5444

Ticket prices for the STING-Moscow Dynamo game will be \$15, 12, 10, 8 and 5.

If you can't seem to get enough exciting soccer action this season, turn on your TV for the MISL on ESPN. On January 18, ESPN will carry a live telecast between the Baltimore Blast and the Cleveland Force from the Richfield Coliseum. It will be game three of an 18 game schedule on ESPN this season. You can catch the Sting February 15 and April 26 on ESPN against Tacoma and New York respectively. Also, the 1987 MISL All-Star Classic from the Forum in Los Angeles will be shown on ESPN. The 8th Annual All-Star showdown will be played Wednesday, February 11.

MILESTONE

Although the 1986-87 MISL season is relatively young, some milestones have already been reached.

Kansas City's Jorgen Kristensen turned 40 on December 12, and by doing so joined a very select group of professional athletes still competing at the age of 40 and beyond:

NFL: Jeff Van Note

MLB: Reggie Jackson, Davey Lopes,

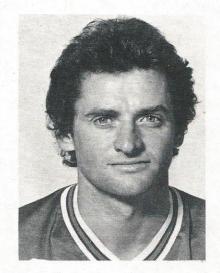
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MLB: McRae, Phil Niekro, Craig

MLB: Nettles, Tom Paciorek, Pete MLB: Rose, Seaver, and Don Sutton

NBA: None NHL: None

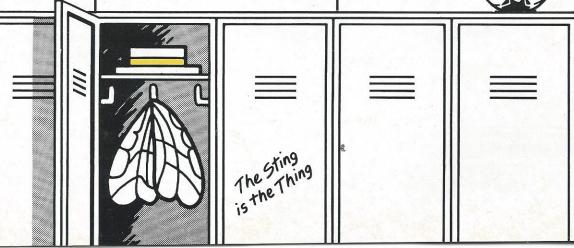
Tim Clark, also of Kansas City, played in his 200th MISL game on December 14, and Craig Allen of Cleveland scored his 200th goal as a member of the Force in a 7-3 win over New York on December 14.



Kansas City's Jorgen Kirstensen, 40, is ageless in the midfield.

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Tacoma's Steve Zungul is still the "Lord of All Indoors."

NEW YORK EXPRESS

The Express may not have the winningest team in the MISL, but they certainly have one of the most intelligent in all of professional sports. The newest club in the MISL boasts three Ivy League graduates—President/Goalkeeper Shep Messing from Harvard, defender Kevin Maher from Yale and Columbia University graduate Amr Aly. Who knows, it could work out to their advantage. "If we go into overtime, we'll challenge our opponents to a debate," Messing said.

ST. LOUIS STEAMERS

St. Louis set an MISL first when forward Boki Bandovic became the youngest player in league history to score a point. The 17-year-old (born 1-30-69) Nikcic, Yugoslavia native picked up an assist in the Steamers 6-3 victory at New York (11-30-86). Guess who was on the other end of Boki's pass? None other than his older brother Nebo, who is only 21 years old himself. How's that for all in the family!

TACOMA STARS

The "Star" is at it again. Called by some the "greatest player to ever play the game," Steve Zungul etched his name in the record books once again. He became the first player to ever hit the 600, 700, 800 and 900 points mark in their MISL career, by picking up an assist against Los Angeles on November 30.

Zungul and the rest of his teammates are not only showing their stuff on the field this year, but they are also helping out in the Puget Sound area schools with a drug education program. The program, entitled "Drugs are a Drag" has reached over 10,000 elementary and junior high school students since its inception back in October.

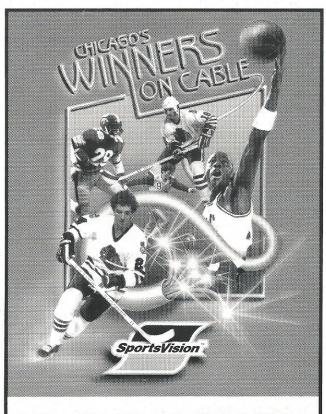
WICHITA WINGS

In the "Sticks and Stones" department, there seems to be some bad

blood between Western Division foes Wichita and St. Louis. And not only on the playing field! St. Louis Post-Dispatch columnist Kevin Horrigan didn't seem to have enough to complain about when writing about his hometown Steamers, so he decided to start in on the Wichita franchise.

"The people in Wichita," said Horrigan "who have nothing better to do than stand outside and watch the wind blow, are quite enamored with indoor soccer." He went on to say "This is quite likely because indoor soccer is the only sport desperate enough to locate a franchise in Wichita."

I wonder if Mr. Horrigan was left off of anybody's Christmas list?

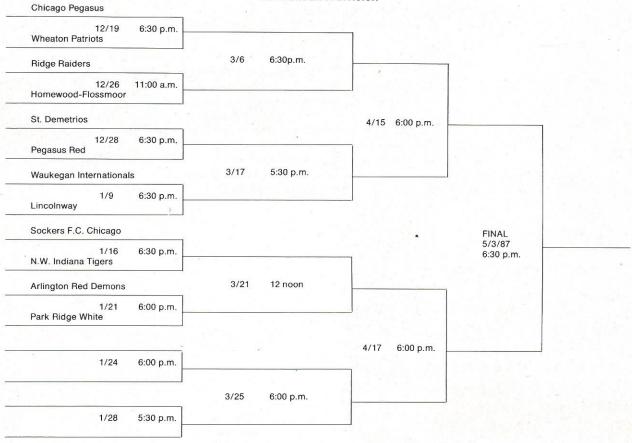


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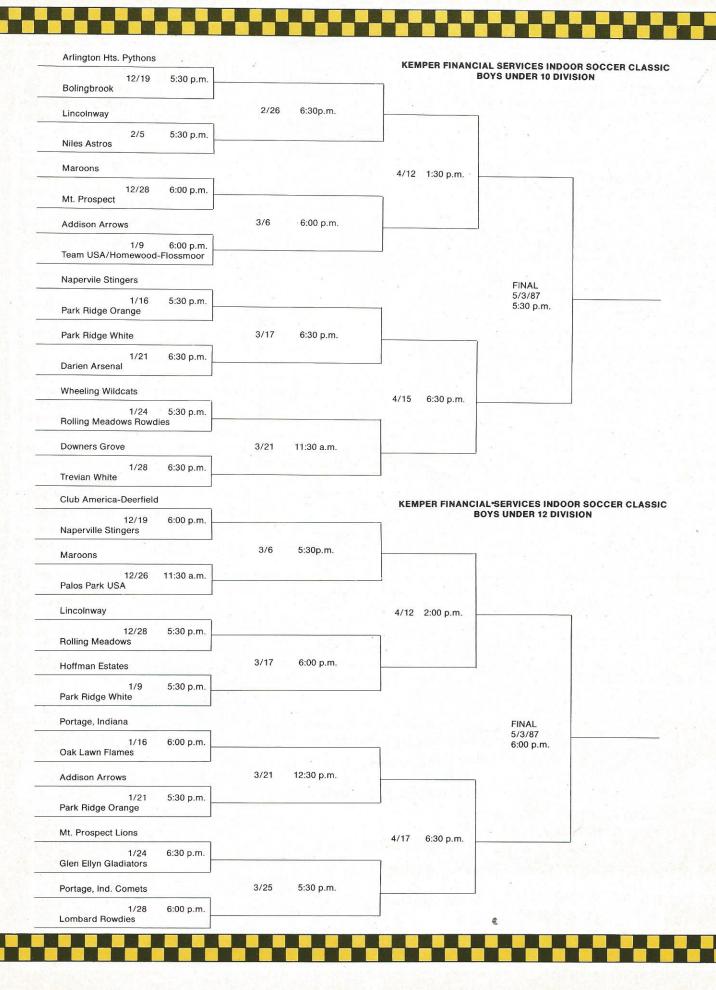
Kemper Financial Services Youth Indoor Soccer Classic is a single elimination youth tournament held prior to Sting games throughout the 1986-87 season. Three divisions of boys' teams and two divisions of girls' teams are competing for a championship title. The finals will be telecast on SportsVision.

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In January's column, Sting head coach Erich Geyer discusses the skills-position by position-that MISL coaches look for when building an exclusively indoor team.

GOALKEEPING-The comparatively small playing surface of an indoor field makes goalkeeping the single most important aspect of the game. In fact, most coaches would agree that goalkeeping is at least 50% of the game. That's because the smaller surface means a goalkeeper will be fired at all through the game, many of the shots coming at point-blank range. It's easy to get shots off in indoor soccer, no matter how good a defense might be. Successful goalkeepers must have the poise, experience and above all, the quick reflexes to handle straight on point-blank shots and shots coming off of tricky deflections. In addition, being a good indoor goalkeeper requires courage . . . there is always a lot more physical contact than in the outdoor game. Even the very best keepers will give up a bad goal. The real pro will get it out of his mind and concentrate on the next play. If he dwells on a mistake, he is lost. A good goalkeeper will have the ability to direct his teammates and constantly control traffic in front of the



Erich Geyer was named Sting Head Coach and Team Manager on December 23, 1986.

goalmouth. He must also have the physical strength to play back-to-back games without fatigue. In other. words, a professional goalkeeper must be an athlete . . . with brains!

STOPPER BACK-This is really a skill position. The center back must be fast enough, quick enough and smart enough to take on generally the opposition's striker man-on-man, yet be constantly ready to zone off the enemy attack when the situation arises. He must also possess the soccer know-how when to come forward

to support the attack. In my opinion and the opinion of many other coaches and players, the Sting's Chico Moreira is among the very best in the league.

FULLBACK—The Sting plays with three defenders-a stopper back and two wing fullbacks. The fullbacks must have good running ability. They must be able to come forward to join the attack at the proper times. They must have the experience to know if their teammate will cover for them when they commit themselves up field. They must also know when to stay back and how to read the opponent's intentions. Fullbacks with strong shots are great assets. Players such as Heinz Wirtz of the Sting, Kim Roentved of Wichita and Helmut Dudek of Minnesota are particularly dangerous when they fire from inside the opponent's red line.

STRIKER (Target Man)—This is the man who plays up front and must account for a good portion of his team's goals and assists. There are many outstanding strikers in the MISL, and several different styles. The Sting's Karl-Heinz Granitza is especially adept at trapping a ball and holding it until he can either dish it off to a teammate running forward or turn

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and fire on his own. Other great strikers, such as Erik Rasmussen of Wichita, Alan Willey of Minnesota, and Steve Zungul of Tacoma are highly mobile and will constantly roam, looking for the quick, powerful shot.

MIDFIELDER (Support Player)— Here is where quickness, experience and physical endurance really pay off! The support man is always on the run, linking up the defense with the offense. He must drop back to help the defense, and when he gets the ball, he must get it up to the target man as quickly and effectively as possible. He must follow up all attacks, constantly running off the ball, looking for a return pass from the target man or opening up space for a teammate. No team can be a serious contender without at least two good support players. That's why the Sting relies so heavily on players like Batata while Kansas City's Pato Margetic and Cleveland's Peter Ward make great contributions to their respective teams, game after game. No discussion on building an effective indoor soccer team would be complete without the discussing the special teams... the men on the power play and the players who have, perhaps, the most pressure-packed role of all—the penalty killers.

POWER PLAY—Many fans feel the power play in indoor soccer is very comparable to ice hockey's power play. In many respects, they are right. But soccer's power is usually faster with a great many more shots taken, simply because there is no off-side rule in indoor soccer. The attack never lets up. The power play unity must play with relentless intensity until a goal is scored or the two minute penalty expires. Members of the power play unity must have excellent ball control. They must be able to hold a ball, fake an opponent in the "wrong" direction, then either

pass or shoot. And they *must want* to score goals. During their shift, they must constantly keep the ball in play so as to tire out defenders and force them to make mental or physical errors. And with all this, they must always be on the alert to the danger of a stolen pass and a short-handed counter-attack.

PENALTY-KILLERS-As discussed, with no offside rule, the penalty killers are always under great pressure. In hockey, a puck cleared beyond the blue line enables the penalty-killers to catch a breath while the attackers re-form. No such pause in indoor soccer. They must have the fitness to constantly chase, instantly zone off, find the open man (and there always is somebody open in this situation) and sacrifice their bodies to block shots. With all this, the professional penalty-killer must still be always on the watch for the chance to spring like a cat on an enemy's pass and streak toward the unprotected goalkeeper for the chance at a short-handed goal.

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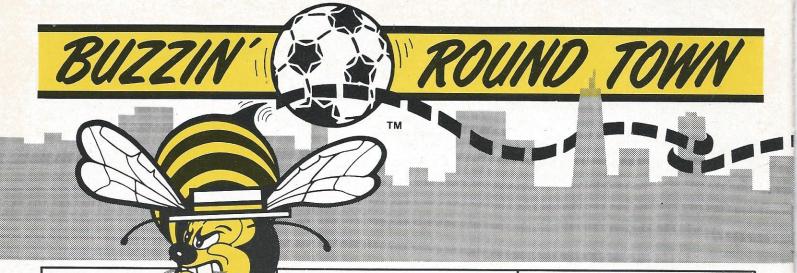
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he Chicago Sting's Coaches Caravans continue this month with scheduled stops in Oak Lawn and Warrenville. The Oak Lawn Coaches Caravan will take place at Richards East High School in Oak Lawn, Illinois on Wednesday, January 14, from 7 P.M. to 9 P.M.

The Wheaton Coaches Caravan will take place at Bower Elementary School in Warrenville, Illinois on Monday, January 26, from 7 P.M. to 9 P.M.

This season's Caravans, sponsored by Coke, Plymouth Imports and World's Finest Chocolate are a continuation of the Sting's commitment to furthering the sport of soccer by "teaching the teachers" how to instruct their pupils in the basics of the game.

In addition to the two-hour coaching clinics conducted by Sting community relations director and former standout player Dave Huson, and Sting head coach Erich Geyer, the Caravans will also provide, to all registered coaches and adults, a coaching manual, a clipboard and two reserved seat tickets to any Chicago Sting home game at the Rosemont Horizon during the 1986-87 regular season.

Huson, a member of both Sting Soccer Bowl championship teams in 1981 and 1984, was a three-time selection to NASL All-Star teams, both outdoor and indoor. His coaching partner, Erich Geyer, was a member of four indoor soccer championship teams while playing defense for the San Diego Sockers. He was also a member of the Chicago Sting indoor team during the 1984-85 season.

Registration is \$15.00 per person for the Sting Coaches Caravan. All individuals attending the sessions must be pre-registered.

For information on Coaches Caravans and future locations and dates, contact Dave Huson at the Sting office at (312) 245-5444. To obtain a registration form, write Dave Huson at the Chicago Sting office, 425 North Michigan, Suite 777, Chicago, Illinois 60611.

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Also this month, two Chicago Sting players will be celebrity bartenders at the Higgins St.* Cafe in Rosemont on Monday, January 20, from 5 to 7 p.m. to kick off their Dinner/Ticket packages for Sting games.

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The Chicago Tribune and the Chicago Sting will honor the Tribune's 1986 Illinois High School All-State Soccer Team during the St. Louis Steamers at Chicago Sting game at the Horizon on Friday, January 9. Tribune Sport's Associate Editor Tony Majeri will present the Team with certificates of honor.



Get instruction from head coach Erich Geyer at Sting Coaches Caravans.

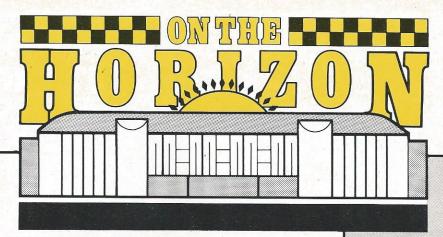


Former standout player Dave Huson lends his expertise at Coaches Caravans.



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The Chicago Sting and Budweiser want you to think Sting all year round! Make plans to attend Budweiser Calendar Day on Friday, January 9. Sting meets the St. Louis Steamers at 7:30 p.m. and all fans will receive a full-color, 1987 Sting wall calendar, courtesy of Budweiser.

On January 24, as the Sting host Tatu and the Dallas Sidekicks, the Choral-Aires Chapter of Sweet Adelines, Inc. will perform at halftime. The two time regional championship vocalists are presented by Paint the Town Red, Inc. For creative event planning call 738-0013.

Dinner/Ticket Packages. The Higgins Street Cafe located at 9751 W. Higgins in Rosemont (3 blocks from the Horizon) will be having dinner and ticket packages for Sting games beginning Jan. 24th. Call 692-2022 for details.

Don't forget Burger King Soccer Ball Day coming up on Saturday March 21. The first 5,000 youths, 14 and under, will receive a Sting soccer ball free, courtesy of Burger King! The Sting meets the Cleveland Force at 1:30 p.m.

Our friends at Budweiser will also sponsor Sting Poster Day on Friday, April 17. All fans will receive a full-color Sting poster when Sting takes on the New York Express at 7:30 p.m.

MORTON'S STING PLAYER OF THE GAME

Listen for Morton's of Chicago Sting Player of the Game announcement immediately following Sting games. Our recent winners include:

Nov. 28—Karl-Heinz Granitza Dec. 6—Elias Zurita Dec. 10—Scoop Stanisic Dec. 12—Chico Moreira

Follow the Sting on the road by tuning in with Howard Balson and Dave Huson on WPWR-TV, Channel 60.

Fri. Jan. 23 Sting at Cleveland 7:00 pm Sat. Feb. 28 Sting at Baltimore 6:30 pm Tues.

Fri. Mar. 13 Sting at Cleveland 7:00 pm Tues. April 7 Sting at Minnesota 7:30 pm

On your local Cable-TV, Sportsvision:

Sun. Jan. 18 Sting at Kansas City 2:00 pm Sun. Mar. 15 Sting at Dallas 6:30 pm Fri. Jan 30 Sting at Wichita 7:30 pm Sun. Feb. 1 Sting at Los Angeles 8:00 pm Sun. Mar. 22 Sting at New York 4:00 pm

Sun. Feb. 15 Sting at Tacoma 9:30 pm

1986-87 SEASON

Ticket Prices

\$15/\$12/\$10/\$8/\$5

Tickets available in person at CHICAGO STING TICKET OFFICE, 327 S. LaSalle, #1530 ROSEMONT HORIZON

ALL TICKETMASTER Outlets (including Carsons, Rose Records, Sportmart and Bergners locations)

Tickets available by phone by calling TICKETMASTER 559-1212 CHICAGO STING TICKET OFFICE 245-KICK

HOW DO I GET TO THE ROSEMONT HORIZON? Here's Your Answer...

CAR ARRIVAL ROUTES

FROM O'HARE INTERNATIONAL AIR-PORT: East on Interstate 190 (signs read "to Chicago") to Mannheim Road, north exit: Proceed north on Mannheim Road about 1½ miles. Total time: 5 minutes.

FROM DOWNTOWN CHICAGO: West on Kennedy Expressway (I-90) to Northwest Tollway (I-90). Exit from Northwest Tollway at Lee Street, first exit after first toll booth. The Horizon is on your right after exiting. Total time: 30 minutes.

FROM SOUTHBOUND OR NORTHBOUND TRI-STATE TOLLWAY (I-294): Exit at Northwest Tollway (I-90). Proceed on Northwest Tollway to Lee Street exit, first exit after first toll booth. The Horizon is on your right after exiting.

FROM EASTBOUND NORTHWEST TOLLWAY (I-90): Exit at O'Hare International Airport exit (I-190 west). Proceed on I-90 to Mannheim Road north exit. Take Mannheim Road north about 1½ miles to Horizon parking lot.

BY PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION: Take CTA Rapid Transit line (designated Congress-O'Hare, Douglas-O'Hare) to River Road station. Transfer to RTA bus line 221 or 222 to Horizon. Total time from Loop: 45 minutes.

Please note: Buses run every hour on the hour, except during rush hour when service is more frequent. For more information contact the RTA—(800) 972-7000.

Group Rates for group of 20 or more \$1.00 discount off \$12/\$10/\$8 and \$5 seats Group rates for groups of 100 or more

\$2.00 discount off \$12/\$10 and \$8 seats Group tickets must be ordered in advance from the Chicago Sting by calling 245-5444.

SEVEN AND THIRTEEN Game partial season ticket packages are also available. Call 245-5444.

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Frank Klopas Forward



Pat McGauley Defender



Manny Rojas Forward



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Batata Midfielder



Ben Collins Forward

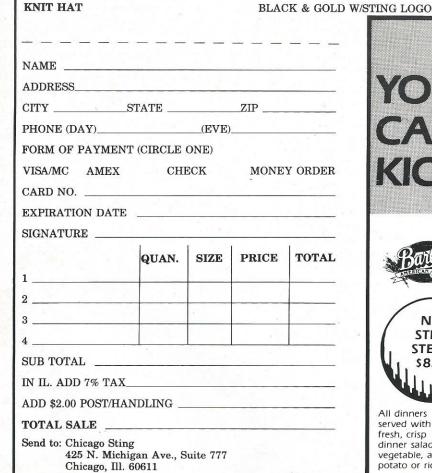
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NEW STING SPORTSWEAR

ITEM DESCRIPTION SIZES PRICE WHITE T-SHIRT NEW DESIGN-STANLEY Adult L XL M \$7.50 STING ON SOCCER FIELD Youth S M L XL \$6.50 **GREY T-SHIRT** NEW STING DESIGN Adult S M \mathbf{L} XL \$7.50 WHITE SWEATSHIRT NEW DESIGN-STANLEY Adult M T, XL \$16.95 STING ON SOCCER FIELD Youth M L XL \$13.95 **GREY SWEATSHIRT NEW STING DESIGN** Adult S M Τ. XL\$16.95 MAIZE POLO SHIRT EMBROIDERED STING LOGO Adult S M L XI. \$19.95 OFF WHITE SWEATER V-NECK EMBROIDERED STING LOGO Adult M L XL \$32.95 BLACK JACKET BLACK, GOLD & WHITE KNIT Adult S M L XL \$42.95 QUILT LINING Youth M L XL\$39.95 REPLICA JERSEY WHITE REPLICA OF NEW TEAM JERSEY Adult S L XLM \$24.95 Youth L \$23.95 XL PLUSH PILLOW BLACK & GOLD STING SOCCER BALL \$13.95 WOOLBLEND CAP BLACK OR GREY W/STING TRIM \$7.95 BUMPER STICKER NEW STING DESIGN \$.50 WRISTBANDS STING LOGO \$2.00 LARGE MUG WHITE CERAMIC MUG W/GOLD TRIM \$8.00 PEN BLACK FELT-TIP PEN FOR AUTOGRAPHS

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N.Y. **STRIP** STEAK \$8.95

FRESH BROILED SALMON \$7.95

TOURNEDOS A LA **BERNAISE** \$8.95

\$1.50

\$2.00

\$2.00

CHILD'S PLATE FRIED CHICKEN

All dinners served with IN THE fresh, crisp BASKET dinner salad. vegetable, and \$5.95 potato or rice.

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Date	Day	Visitors	Time
11/28	Fri.	Wichita	7:30 pm
12/6	Sat.	Minnesota	7:30 pm
12/10	Wed.	Baltimore	7:30 pm
12/12	Fri.	Cleveland	7:30 pm
12/19	Fri.	New York	7:30 pm
12/26	Fri.	Baltimore	1:30 pm
12/28	Sun.	Los Angeles	7:30 pm
1/9	Fri.	St. Louis	7:30 pm
1/16	Fri.	Tacoma	7:30 pm
1/21	Wed.	Kansas City	7:30 pm
1/24	Sat.	Dallas	7:30 pm
1/28	Wed.	Cleveland	7:30 pm
2/8	Sun.	St. Louis	7:30 pm
2/21	Sat.	New York	7:30 pm
2/26	Thur.	Тасота	7:30 pm
3/6	Fri.	Los Angeles	7:30 pm
3/8	Sun.	Dallas	1:30 pm
3/17	Tues.	Wichita	7:30 pm
3/21	Sat.	Cleveland	1:30 pm
3/25	Wed.	Minnesota	7:30 pm
3/28	Sat.	Dallas	7:30 pm
4/1	Wed.	San Diego	7:30 pm
4/12	Sun.	Baltimore	3:00 pm
4/15	Wed.	Minnesota	7:30 pm
4/17	Fri.	New York	7:30 pm
5/3	Sun.	Kansas City	7:30 pm

Tickets on Sale at all TicketMaster Outlets, The Rosemont Horizon Box Office or the Sting ticket office (327 S. LaSalle, Chicago). Tickets by phone call 559-1212. For group and Season Ticket info Call 245-5444.