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COBRAS TAKE ON CHICAGO SATURDAY

This Saturday in an 8:00PM contest at Baldwin Wallace Stadium, the Cleveland Cobras take on their long time rival the Chicago Cats. The Cats are off to a fast start under Coach George Meyer as they currently reside in third place in the A.S.L.'s Eastern Division with a 3-2-1 record. Incidentally, the two clubs which lead the Cats, the Connecticut Yankees and the Rhode Island Oceaneers, were both defeated by the team from the Windy City.

The Cat's offensive attack is led by Pete "Golden Greek" Kouratos. He is perhaps the largest forward in the league as he stands at 6'1" and 200 pounds (a conservative estimate). Kouratos used his power and bulk to ram home five goals and pick up 7 assists last season to lead the Cats in scoring. So far, indications are that Kouratos is picking up where he left off last season as he has accounted for three goals in just four contests this year.

Joining Kouratos on the frontline are Jorge Rizo and John Dolinsky. Rizo is a native of Mexico and was a member of that country's 1972 Olympic Team. Dolinsky is a former local amateur star in the Cats backyard. Thus far, these two men have not produced much in the way of offensive firepower.

Veteran Carlos Bonilla anchors the Cats midfield. Bonilla was one of the more offensive-minded midfielders in the league last season as he tapped in five goals and passed off for a pair of assists. Teaming up with Bonilla in the midfield are Manuel Nunez and Eddie Skotarek. Skotarek was nabbed off the Chicago amateur fields and Nunez is a native of South America.

Like the Cobras, defense is Chicago's strongest point as Fred Kovacs is the main

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cog in the Cats backline. Kovacs played on the U.S. Olympic Team and he scored a goal in the Cobras 2-1 opening season win over Chicago earlier this season. Zigmunt Anczok and Diogo DaSilva surround Kovacs in the backfield. Anczok played on the Polish National Team while DaSilva toiled on last year's Cats squad.

Former Cobras goaltender, Chris Swain, now minds the nets in the Windy City. Swain lives in Chicago and works for the Sara Lee Company. Backing up Swain is Gert Langer.

The next Cobras home game is Friday, June 4, as they take on the first place Rhode Island Oceaneers. The Oceaneers are one of the most high powered clubs in the A.S.L. this season as they feature the two top scorers in the league last season Jose Neto and Mohammed "the Baby Jet" Attiah. The Cobras play the Irish Cork Hibernians on Tuesday, June 8, at 8:00PM.

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