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NEW ENGLAND TEA MEN AT COSMOS
GIANTS STADIUM
SUNDAY, JUNE 24, 1979 (2:30 P.M.)

TEAM RECORDS: Going into this weekend's action the Cosmos had an NASL-leading 110 points and a 12-4 record. The defending league champions hold a 19-point edge over Washington in the National East (the 10-6 Diplomats entertain Philadelphia this afternoon). The Cosmos have also won 12 straight games (regular season and playoffs) at Giants Stadium, where they captured 23 in a row during the 1977-78 seasons.

The Tea Men had a 6-11 record and 55 points (last in the American West) going into their game at Toronto Friday night. New England, which trailed third-place Philadelphia by just two points prior to its match against the Blizzard, has rebounded well from a horrendous start that saw the Tea Men lose their first five games--and all by shutout.

SERIES RECORD: Last season, New England's first in the North American League, the Tea Men were the only NASL club able to beat the Cosmos twice. In the first meeting, July 5th before 30,126 fans at Schaefer Stadium, Mike Flanagan's goal at 9:26 of overtime gave New England a 1-0 victory. Then, seven days later (July 12th), the Tea Men snapped the Cosmos' 23-game home winning streak with a 3-1 victory before a crowd of 62,497 at Giants Stadium. Flanagan, Gerry Daly and Brian Alderson scored the New England goals, while a Giorgio Chinaglia penalty kick was the only Cosmos tally in the game.

OFFICIALS: Referee--David Socha
Linesmen--Felix Fuksman
Gordon Arrowsmith

LAST GAME: Goals by Steve Litt, Alan West and Alan Willey (his 13th of the season) handed the Cosmos their second straight defeat, a 3-2 decision to the Minnesota Kicks June 20th at Bloomington. The contest concluded a three-city road trip for the Cosmos and followed on the heels of a 4-1 loss to Vancouver June 16th (the back-to-back defeats marked the first time the Cosmos have lost consecutive matches since the 1977 season, when they were shut out 1-0 at Seattle July 10th, then lost 1-0 in a shootout July 15th at Rochester). A crowd of 43,952 at Bloomington was typical of the turnouts in this rivalry, which has seen the Cosmos attract an average of 45,587 for four games at Metropolitan Stadium.

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NEXT GAME: The Cosmos entertain the Portland Timbers Wednesday night, June 27th, in a match that begins at 9 p.m. The Cosmos scored a 2-1 shootout victory over the Timbers in a game played June 26th at Portland's Civic Stadium. WNEW-AM (with Jim Karvellas and Chip Cipolla sharing the microphones) will have live coverage of the contest.

TODAY'S RADIO-TV: ABC Sports, with Jim McKay, Paul Gardner and Verne Lundquist providing the commentary, is televising this afternoon's match nationally (Pele joins them for halftime soccer tips). The contest is also being fed to Brazil with Brazilian commentary being done over the ABC telecast. Jim Karvellas and Chip Cipolla are describing the action over WNEW-AM, with Bill Alex doing the play-by-play for WBET in Boston.

CHINAGLIA/MITIC: Giorgio Chinaglia's 17th goal and third assist of the season against Minnesota gave him 203 career points, just 36 shy of the all-time NASL record of 239 established by Ilija Mitic. With 85 goals in 3½ seasons, Chinaglia is 16 away from Mitic's league mark of 101 set over nine campaigns. So with a second-half similar to his scoring pace in this season's first half, he could conceivably approach and even surpass Mitic's totals by year's end. Last year, Chinaglia, who scored an NASL-record 34 goals, tallied #17 in Game 14, was shut out in Game 15, had a hat trick (against Washington) in Game 16, and scored his 21st goal in the 17th game.

JOHAN NEESKENS: Dutch star Johan Neeskens (NAY-Skins), introduced to the metropolitan area media at a June 11th press conference, makes his Cosmos debut today. Neeskens, an attacking midfielder, was a teammate of Wim Rijsbergen on the Dutch National Team that played in the 1974 and 1978 World Cups.

PRELIMINARY GAME: Today's preliminary game features the champions of the Cosmopolitan Soccer League's Major Division, the New York Freedoms, and the Cosmopolitan League All-Stars. The match kicked off at noon.

BAYERN MUNICH: Paul Brietner, Sepp Maier and Karl-Heinz Rummenigge are among the stars who will be on hand when the Cosmos entertain Franz Beckenbauer's old club, Bayern Munich, in a Fourth of July exhibition. Kickoff for the match, which pits the Cosmos against the team that defeated them 7-1 last September 12th, is 2:30 p.m. Media credentials numbered E4 will be honored for the game, which will be played for the Volkswagen Cup.

MISCELLANEOUS: Bobby Smith, ejected from the Toronto game June 3rd, is sitting out today's match because of accumulated penalty points (he missed the June 10th Dallas contest because of his red card)...The first 15,000 youngsters through the Giants Stadium turnstiles today received Cosmos bumper stickers, courtesy of Colgate-Palmolive...Today's game is the first of four consecutive home matches (Portland June 27, Rochester July 1, Bayern Munich July 4) for the Cosmos.

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1979 COSMOS RESULTS

RECORD: 12-4 (110 points)

HOME: 6-0

AWAY: 6-4

ATTENDANCE:

HOME: 298,996 AVG: 49.833

AWAY 267,620 AVG: 26,762

TOTAL: 566,616 AVG: 35,414

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATT.	TEAM SCORING
3/31	@ San Diego	2-1W-OT	16,396	Chinaglia (Bogicevic); Seninho (Davis)
4/8	@ Washington	3-2W-SO	24,862	Tueart (Seninho, Beckenbauer); Chinaglia (Bogicevic)
4/14	@ Atlanta	3-2W-SO	10,311	Tueart (Bogicevic); Chinaglia (Tueart)
4/22	FT. LAUDERDALE	3-2W	72,342	Marinho (Bogicevic); Marinho (Bogicevic, Seninho); Marinho (Seninho)
4/29	PHILADELPHIA	4-2W	46,375	Marinho (Tueart); Chinaglia (Penalty Kick); Chinaglia (Seninho, Bogicevic); Chinaglia (Marinho)
5/4	@ Toronto	1-0W	29,483	Seninho (Bogicevic)
5/6	HOUSTON	3-0W	50,142	Tueart (Garbett, Bogicevic); Chinaglia (Penalty Kick); Etherington (Bogicevic, Chinaglia)
5/12	@ Tampa Bay	2-3L	40,701	Chinaglia (Bogicevic, Garbett); Chinaglia (Tueart, Seninho)
5/16	COVENTRY CITY (Exhibition)	3-1W	30,195	Davis (Marinho); Carlos Alberto (Davis); Etherington (Atanasio, Marinho)
5/20	TULSA	3-1W	46,344	Tueart (Formoso, Liveric); Chinaglia (Carlos Alberto, Tueart); Chinaglia (Penalty Kick)
5/26	@ Portland	2-1W-SO	18,254	Liveric (Bogicevic, Marinho)
5/28	@ Chicago	1-3L	21,127	Chinaglia (Marinho, Liveric)
6/3	TORONTO	3-1W	38,762	Marinho (Liveric, Formoso); Liveric (Chinaglia, Marinho); Liveric (Tueart).
6/6	ARGENTINE NATIONAL TEAM (Exhibition)	0-1L	70,134	- - - - -
6/10	DALLAS	4-1W	45,031	Chinaglia (Tueart, Carbognani); Bandov (Tueart); Carlos Alberto (Davis); Chinaglia (Carbognani, Davis)
6/13	@ Tulsa	3-2W	30,162	Tueart (Davis, Razak); Chinaglia (una.); Carbognani (Davis)
6/16	@ Vancouver	1-4L	32,372	Chinaglia (Penalty Kick)
6/20	@ Minnesota	2-3L	43,952	Liveric (Davis, Chinaglia); Chinaglia (Alberto, Davis)

1979 COSMOS INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

NO.	PLAYER	GP	GS	MIN.	SHOTS	FLS.	C/E	PK	SO/SOA	GOALS	AS	TP
9	Giorgio Chinaglia	16	16	1493	67	4	1/0	4/4	0/3	17	3	37
7	Dennis Tueart	15	15	1353	34	27	2/0		1/3	5	7	17
3	Marinho	11	9	856	46	7			1/2	5	4	14
8	Vladislav Bogicevic	12	12	1066	16	18			1/2	0	11	11
29	Mark Liveric	8	8	580	15	11	1/0			4	3	11
11	Seninho	9	8	720	9	7	1/0		1/1	2	5	9
17	Rick Davis	16	14	1346	25	22	1/0		0/2	0	7	7
5	Carlos Alberto	16	16	1493	9	11	2/0		2/3	1	2	4
16	Antonio Carbognani	4	3	279	4	8	3/0			1	2	4
25	Santiago Formoso	15	13	1202	7	33	3/0		1/2	0	2	2
14	Terry Garbett	11	8	749	11	13	1/0		1/2	0	2	2
21	Gary Etherington	8	1	229	5	8			0/1	1	0	2
18	Boris Bandov	6	2	215	2	5			0/1	1	0	2
6	Franz Beckenbauer	4	4	398	4	3			1/2	0	1	1
28	Abdul Razak	2	0	49	0	0				0	1	1
15	Wim Rijsbergen	14	14	1243	2	27	2/1		1/3	0	0	0
12	Bobby Smith	10	10	755	2	23	3/2		1/1	0	0	0
2	Eskandarian	4	4	329	1	3				0	0	0
31	Nelsi Morais	4		240	2	6	1/0			0	0	0
22	Kevin Eagan	3	1	110	1	3				0	0	0
30	Godfrey Ingram	1	1	45	0	0				0	0	0
26	Ron Atanasio	1	0	19	0	1				0	0	0
	Others	1	0	23	0	0				0	0	0

TOTALS.262 242 21/3 4/4 11/28 37 50 124
 OPP TOTALS.337 241 14/4 2/2 8/28 28 39 95

NO.	GOALKEEPER	GP	GS	MIN.	SHOTS	SAVES	GOALS	PK	SO/SOA	SHUT	GAA
0	Jack Brand	7	6	542	114	43	11	1/1	4/10	0	1.83
1	Erol Yasin	10	10	922	217	78	16	1/1	4/18	2	1.56
20	David Brcic	1	0	29	6	2	1	0/0	0/0	0	3.10

TOTALS. 1493 337 123 28 2/2 8/28 2 1.69
 OPP TOTALS. 1493 262 99 37 4/4 11/28 0 2.23

TEAM STATISTICS	SCORING BY PERIODS					OWN GOALS	CORNER KICKS	OFFSIDES
	1	2	OT	OT	SO			
COSMOS	16	20	0	1	3	0	97	46
OPPOSITION	12	16	0	0	0	0	98	46

COSMOS 1979
NUMERICAL ROSTER.

<u>NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>AGE*</u>	<u>HT.</u>	<u>WT.</u>	<u>CITIZEN</u>	<u>PREVIOUS TEAM</u>
0	Brand, Jack	Goalkeeper	25	6-1	175	Canada	Rochester
1	Yasin, Erol	Goalkeeper	30	6-1	170	Turkey	Galatasaray
2	Eskandarian	Defender	27	5-7	155	Iran	Tadj
3	Marinho	Midfielder	27	5-9	160	Brazil	Fluminense
4	Roth, Werner	Defender	30	6-0	180	USA	Cosmos
5	Carlos Alberto	Defender	34	6-0	170	Brazil	Flamengo
6	Beckenbauer, Franz	Midfielder	33	5-11	165	W. Germany	Bayern Munich
7	Tueart, Dennis	Forward	29	5-8	156	England	Manchester City
8	Bogicevic, Vladislav	Midfielder	28	6-1	180	Yugoslavia	Red Star
9	Chinaglia, Giorgio	Forward	32	6-1	180	USA	Lazio
11	Seninho	Forward	29	5-9½	154	Portugal	Oporto
12	Smith, Bobby	Defender	27	5-11	165	USA	Phila. Atoms
13	Neeskens, Johan	Midfielder	27	5-9	170	Holland	Barcelona (Spain)
14	Garbett, Terry	Midfielder	33	5-9	166	England	Sheffield United
15	Rijsbergen, Wilhelmus	Defender-Midfielder	27	6-0	155	Holland	Bastia
16	Carbognani, Antonio	Midfielder	25	6-1	176	Argentina	Barcelona (Ecuador)
17	Davis, Rick	Midfielder	20	5-8	155	USA	Calif./Santa Clara
18	Bandov, Boris	Midfielder-Forward	25	5-10	175	USA	Tampa Bay
20	Brcic, David	Goalkeeper	21	6-2½	173	USA	St. Louis University
21	Etherington, Gary	Forward	20	5-8	140	USA	Cosmos
22	Eagan, Kevin	Defender	24	6-3	175	USA	Tampa Bay
25	Formoso, Santiago	Defender	25	5-9	140	USA	Conn. Bicentennials
26	Atanasio, Ron	Forward	22	5-7½	165	USA	Adelphi University
27	Filian, Joe	Forward	19	5-10	155	USA	Gordon H.S.
28	Razak, Abdul	Forward-Midfielder	22	5-8	175	Ghana	Asante Kotoko
29	Liveric, Mark	Forward	25	5-11	175	USA	Edmonton
30	Ingram, Godfrey	Forward	19	5-7	150	England	Luton Town
31	Morais, Nelsi	Defender	27	5-9	165	Brazil	Santos

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TRAINER
Joel Rosenstein

GOALKEEPER COACH
Miguel de Lima

ASSISTANT TRAINER
Arnold Tractenberg

*Age as of April 1, 1979