

# COSMOS

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MEDIA RELEASE

COSMOS VS. CHICAGO STING  
SATURDAY, JUNE 9, 1984 -- 3:00 P.M.  
GIANTS STADIUM

**TEAM RECORDS:** The Cosmos, fresh off their third Trans-Atlantic Challenge Cup Championship, return to N.A.S.L. play with a league record of 2-1 (17 points). The five-time North American champions, after a two-week hiatus from league play, find themselves in an unfamiliar last place spot in the Eastern Division. They stand 17 points behind the division leader and today's opponent, the Chicago Sting (4-2, 34 points). The Cosmos come off a shootout road loss to Tampa Bay (2-3) in their most recent league game on May 26th, but remain undefeated in both league (2-0) and exhibition play (3-0) here in Giants Stadium.

The Cosmos' N.A.S.L. offense is off to a slow start with only 5 goals in 3 games, but the attack showed signs of life in T.A.C.C. action - 9 goals in 2 games (5-3 win over Barcelona, 4-1 win over Udinese).

The Cosmos' defense has given up just 4 goals against league opponents.

The Chicago Sting has won four of their last five games and has an overall record of 4-2. They come off a split of a home-and-home series with Tampa Bay (2-0 loss, 6/1 in Tampa Bay; 3-2 win 6/3 at Wrigley Field) last weekend. The Sting has scored 13 goals and allowed 12. The club is 2-0 in Comiskey Park, 1-0 in Wrigley Field and 1-2 on the road.

TODAY'S OFFICIALS:	Referee:	Dilvo Di Placido
	Senior Linesman:	Bob Heilman
	Junior Linesman:	Chris Bayley
	4th Official:	Alan Brown

**TODAY'S TV/RADIO:** Today's game will be cablecast live over SportsChannel with Bob Ley and Seamus Malin reporting, and also aired live over WMCA Radio (570 AM) with Jim Karvellas describing the action.

**THE SERIES:** The Sting holds an overwhelming 11-6 edge in this rivalry including 3 wins in 4 matches last summer. They also handed the Cosmos their only regular-season loss last season in Giants Stadium, a 3-2 win June 22nd behind Karl-Heinz Granitza's 100th career goal. The Cosmos did beat the Sting in their last outdoor meeting 8/21 in Giants Stadium, a 5-3



win that averted a season-sweep by Chicago.

Chicago is the only team to ever win more than once here in Giants Stadium through 108 league games (97-11). The Sting have actually won four times here, including their 4-3 Trans-Atlantic Challenge Cup triumph in 1981.

During the 1983-84 N.A.S.L. indoor season, the Cosmos stunned the Sting in the third game of the best-of-three semi-final to advance to the championship series against San Diego. Overall, the Cosmos took four of six from the Sting in 83-84 indoor soccer regular season play.

COSMOS LAST LINE-UP (vs. Udinese - T.A.C.C.): David Brcic, Andranik Eskandarian, Dan Canter, Johan Neeskens (Jeff Durgan 63:02), Pedro De Brito, Gerry Gray, Vladislav Bogicevic, Chico Borja, Stan Terlecki, Steve Moyers, Alan Green (Dragan Vujovic 63:02).

SCORING SUMMARY (COSMOS 4 Udinese 1): Cosmos - Green 46:32 (Borja, Gray), Udinese - Marchetti 47:31 (Causio), Cosmos - Vujovic 63:26 (Bogicevic), Terlecki 76:30 (Durgan, Moyers), Gray 88:27 (Moyers, Bogicevic).

CHICAGO'S LAST LINE-UP (vs. Tampa Bay): Nogueira, Huson, Mathieu (Seninho 19:19), Kenny, Alonso, Glenn, Fajkus, McGauley, Granitza, Margetic, Comrie (Meschbach 68:47).

SCORING SUMMARY (CHICAGO 3 Tampa Bay 2): Chicago - Glenn 1:53 (Fajkus), Tampa Bay - McLeod 14:03 (R. Wegerle, Connell), Tatu 18:22 (S. Wegerle), Chicago - Granitza 36:17 (Seninho), Glenn 84:46 (Granitza).

COSMOS INJURY/STATUS REPORT: Roberto Cabanas, last season's league MVP and leading scorer, continues to be bothered by a strained left hamstring and is doubtful for today's game. Johan Neeskens (bruised right thigh) is questionable. Midfielder Gerry Gray (strained right thigh) is probable and Darryl Gee (dislocated pelvis) remains on the disabled list.

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BIRKENMEIER SIGNS NEW CONTRACT: All-Star goalkeeper Hubert Birkenmeier has signed a new contract with the Cosmos and is available for selection in today's game.

AHEAD: The Cosmos make their first of at least four trips to the West Coast this season when they take on N.A.S.L. scoring leader Steve Zungul (6-2-14) and the Golden Bay Earthquakes Wednesday night in Spartan Stadium (11:00 p.m. EDT). They will depart Newark on Tuesday afternoon and return following the game back to Cosmos Country.

The Cosmos-Golden Bay game will be televised live back to the New York/New Jersey area on the WOR-TV Channel 9 superstation with Jim Karvellas and Seamus Malin reporting.

NATIONAL ANTHEM/HALFTIME: Dominic Cossa will sing the National Anthem to prior today's game and the Noteworthys, a barbershop quartet from Bergen County, New Jersey, will perform at halftime.

NOTES: Cosmos-Four Tops-Temptations tripleheader is set for the Cosmos' next home game (vs. Toronto), Father's Day, June 17th. Soccer and music all for the price of a single game ticket... Metropolitan Insurance T-Shirt Day follows on Sunday, June 24th. The first 15,000 fans ages 16 and under will receive a Cosmos t-shirt courtesy of Metropolitan Insurance Company, and the Cosmos... Cosmos-Metropolitan Insurance Youth Cup regional Finals scheduled for June 9th and 10th at Franklin Square Field, Long Island, New York and Bedford Junior High in Connecticut. Finals are set for Giants Stadium preliminary game July 29th when Cosmos host Golden Bay... The Cosmos Softball Team, a combination of players, cheerleaders and staff, got out to an early lead and held on to beat the WNBC Radio Grand Slammers 11-9 Thursday night in Verona, New Jersey. Game benefitted New Jersey Special Olympics.

# 1984 COSMOS INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

NO.	PLAYER	GP	GS	MIN.	SHOTS	FLS	C/E	PK	SO/SOA	GLS	AS	TP
9	Roberto Cabanas	3	3	285	13	10	0/0	0	0/1	3	0	6
13	Johan Neeskens	3	3	285	2	7	2/0	1/1	0/0	1	0	2
22	Pedro DeBrito	2	1	114	1	4	0/0	0	0/1	1	0	2
16	Angelo DiBernardo	2	2	171	2	3	1/0	0	0/0	0	2	2
8	Vladislav Bogicevic	3	3	271	1	6	3/1	0	0/0	0	1	1
3	Dan Canter	3	3	285	1	10	0/0	0	0/0	0	1	1
28	Chico Borja	2	2	180	2	6	1/0	0	0/0	0	1	1
2	Andranik Eskandarian	3	3	285	1	5	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0
4	Jeff Durgan	3	3	225	0	6	2/0	0	0/0	0	0	0
12	Steve Moyers	2	2	152	3	4	1/0	0	0/0	0	0	0
20	Andrew Parkinson	3	1	169	0	2	0/0	0	0/1	0	0	0
25	Gerry Gray	2	2	169	1	6	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0
15	Alan Green	2	1	114	0	0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0
11	Dragan Vujovic	1	0	26	0	0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0
14	Stan Terlecki	1	1	105	4	2	1/0	0	0/1	0	0	0

TOTALS.....38 76 11/1 1/1 0/5 5 5 15  
 OPPOSING TOTALS.....60 49 4/0 0/0 1/4 4 3 11

NO.	GOALKEEPER	GP	GS	MIN.	SHOTS	SAVES	GOALS	PK	SO/SOA	SHUT	GAA
1	Hubert Birkenmeier	2	2	180	31	13	1	1/0	0/0	1	0.50
21	David Brcic	1	1	105	29	9	3	0/0	1/4	0	1.71
	TOTALS.....			285	60	22	4	1/0	1/4	1	2.21
	OPPOSING TOTALS.....			285	38	13	5	1/1	0/5	0	1.57

TEAM STATISTICS	1	2	OT	SO	OWN GOALS	CORNER KICKS	OFF SIDES
COSMOS.....	5	0	0	0	0	13	9
OPPOSITION.....	1	1	0	1	0	18	12



# COSMOS 1984 GAME BY GAME RESULTS

RECORD: 2-1  
HOME: 2-0  
AWAY: 0-1

ATTENDANCE:  
HOME: 50,836 AVG: 19,052  
AWAY: 12,722 AVG: 12,722

Date	Opponent	Score	Attendance	Team Scoring
5/13	TAMPA BAY	1-0 W	21,385	Cabanas (Bogicevic)
5/20	VANCOUVER	2-1 W	16,719	Cabanas (DiBernardo, Borja), Cabanas (DiBernardo, Canter)
5/26	Tampa Bay	3-2 (SO) L	12,722	DeBrito (unassisted), Neeskens (PK)
5/28	BARCELONA (T.A.C.C.)	5-3 W	37,629*	Cabanas (Moyers), Moyers (Gray), Neeskens (PK), Moyers (Terlecki), Bogicevic (Terlecki, Green)
6/3	UDINESE (T.A.C.C.)	4-1 W	34, 58*	Green (Borja, Gray), Vujovic (Bogicevic), Terlecki (Durgan, Moyers), Gray (Moyers, Bogicevic)

\* not included in attendance figures

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NO.	NAME	POSITION	DATE OF BIRTH	HT.	WT.	CITIZEN	PREVIOUS TEAM	YR. JOINED COSMOS
1	Hubert Birkenmeier	Goalkeeper	5/24/49	5-10	169	W. Germany	Freiburg	1979
2	Andranik Eskandarian	Defender	12/31/51	5-7	155	Iran	Tadj	1979, 1984
3	Dan Canter	Defender	11/16/61	6-1	175	USA	Ft. Lauderdale Strikers	1983
4	Jeff Durgan	Defender	8/29/61	6-1	195	USA	Stadium H.S. - Tacoma, Washington	1979
5	Darryl Gee	Defender	5/9/62	5-10	155	USA	Oakland Mills H.S. - Columbia, MD	1980
8	Vladislav Bogicevic	Midfielder	11/6/50	6-1	180	Yugoslavia	Red Star	1978
9	Roberto Cabanas	Forward	4/11/61	5-9	155	Paraguay	Cerro Porteno	1980
11	Dragan Vujovic	Forward	8/19/53	6-1	190	Yugoslavia	Le Manic de Montreal	1983
12	Steve Moyers	Forward	9/23/56	5-10	158	USA	California Surf	1981
13	Johan Neeskens	Midfielder	9/15/51	5-9	170	Holland	Barcelona	1979
14	Stan Terlecki	Forward	11/13/55	5-8	155	Poland	Golden Bay Earthquakes	1983
15	Alan Green	Forward	1/1/54	5-7	145	USA	Golden Bay Earthquakes	1983
20	Andrew Parkinson	Midfielder	5/5/59	6-0	178	USA	Ft. Lauderdale Strikers	1983
21	David Brcic	Goalkeeper	1/21/58	6-2½	173	USA	St. Louis University	1978
22	Pedro DeBrito	Midfielder	5/29/59	6-1	170	USA	Tampa Bay Rowdies	1984
25	Gerry Gray	Midfielder	1/20/61	5-7	150	Canada	Le Manic de Montreal	1983
27	Carmen Marcantonio	Midfielder	11/21/54	5-9	153	Canada	Le Manic de Montreal	1984
28	Hernan 'Chico' Borja	Midfielder	8/24/59	5-11	155	USA	New Jersey Institute of Technology	1981

## HEAD COACH

Eddie Firmani

## TRAINER

Arnold Trachtenberg

## EQUIPMENT MANAGER

Charlie Kessel



#1	Hubert Birkemeier	G	#2	Andranik Eskandarian	D	#3	Dan Canter	D	#4	Jeff Durgen	D	#5	Darryl Gee	D	#8	Vladislav Bogicevic	M	#9	Roberto Cabanas	F	#11	Dragan Vujovic	F	#12	Steve Moyers	F	#13	Johan Neeskens	M	#14	Stan Terlecki	F	#15	Alan Green	F	#20	Andrew Parkinson	M	#21	David Brcic	G	#22	Pedro DeBrito	M	#25	Gerry Gray	M	#27	Carmen Marcantonio	M	#28	Chico Borja	M	#16	Angelo DiBernardo	M	KEY																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																					
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3	Dan Canter	D
13	Johan Neeskens	D
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25	Gerry Gray	M
8	Vladislav Bogicevic	M
28	Chico Borja	M
14	Stan Terlecki	F
12	Steve Moyers	F
15	Alan Green	F

## CHICAGO

1	Victor Nogueira	G
6	Dave Huson	D
5	Victor Kodolja	D
18	Ricardo Alonso	D
8	Rudy Glenn	D
9	Charlie Fajkus	M
20	Elvis Comrie	M
19	Pat McGauley	M
10	Pato Margetic	F
12	Karl-Heinz Granitza	F
3	Seninho	F

## SUBSTITUTES

4	Jeff Durgan	D
✓20	Andrew Parkinson (A 12 72)	M
✓11	Dragan Vujovic (A 15 53)	F

## SUBSTITUTES

✓11 Mark Simanton  
✓16 Robert Meschbach

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F (Ar 20 at 72)

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