

today's opponent

LOS ANGELES SKYHAWKS

The Cleveland Cobras take on the Los Angeles Skyhawks in tonight's game.

The Cobras are smarting from the effects of a 3-2 overtime loss to the Irish Cork Hibernians last Tuesday before a season high crowd of 5,684. In the Irish game, Vito Colonna notched his fourth goal of the season on a bicycle kick shot off a pass from Jimmy McMillan. Earlier in the game, four year pro, Dennis Almeida, recorded his first professional goal on a head shot. North Olmsted resident, Jack Groesser, started his first game in the nets for the Cobras and turned in a credible performance.

Julio Servin picked up his first assist as a Cobra. The midfielder had previously played for the now defunct Cincinnati Comets of the American Soccer League where he copied All-A.S.L. Honors for the past three seasons. He joined the Cobras just before their 2-1 win over Rhode Island last Saturday.

Concerning the Skyhawks, the Cobras will have to be at the top of their game as Los Angeles lead the A.S.L.'s Western Division with 4-2-3 record.

Leading the Skyhawks is their illustrious Coach Ron Newman. Newman has the reputation of being the finest soccer mentor in America, and he is credited with refining the talents of Kyle Roto, Jr. when he held the reins of the Dallas Tornados of the N.A.S.L.

Newman's squad has a distinct English flavor with members of Britain's First Division players dotting their lineup.

A trio of high powered forwards hold down the Skyhawks frontline. The A.S.L.'s third leading scorer, Jim Hinch, an English import, is the key to the offense. Thus far, he has rammed home 4 goals and collected 4 assists in just six games. Teaming up with Hinch are Brooks Cryder and Jim Rolland. Cryder is a rookie out of Philadelphia Textile College where he earned All-American Honors. Rolland also comes from foggy England and he is sixth in the A.S.L. in scoring with 4 goals and 1 assist. Former Cleveland forward, Ane Mihailovich, is also on the Los Angeles roster and he is expected to see some action.

The American College player of the year is the key player in the Skyhawks midfield. Steve Ralbovsky picked up this honor while at Brown University last season and he has quickly adjusted to professional play.

The stingiest defense in the A.S.L. is owned by the Skyhawks. English goaltender, Brian Parkinson leads the A.S.L. with a minute 0.63 goals against average. He also has recorded 4 shutouts.

"I really believe that Parkinson may be the finest goalie in all of American soccer," noted Coach Ron Newman.

The two key defenders in front of Parkinson are Ron Yates and Ken Fogarty. Yates is yet another English import and the 34 year old back is a mountain of strength as he stands 6'2" and weighs 210 pounds. Fogarty is considered to be one of the finest young defenders in the A.S.L.



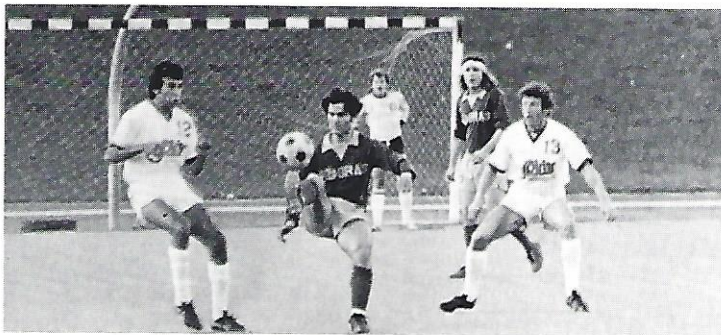
Steve Ralbovsky



Ron Newman



Benny Binshtock



Cleveland's own juggler, Vito Colonna, baffles the Sacramento Spirits with his quick footwork. (Photo by Klaus Gumpsto)



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No.	Name	Position	Height	Weight	Age
1.	Brain Parkinson	Goal	6-0	165	22
2.	Alty McKenzie	Back	5-7	155	25
3.	Ken Fogarty	Back	5-11	165	27
4.	Mickey Cohen	Midfield	5-7	155	27
5	Ron Yates	Back	6-2	200	34
6	Steve Ralbovsky	Midfield	5-8	155	23
7	Jim Rolland	Forward	5-7	145	28
8	Abe Cohen	Midfield	5-8	155	27
9	Jim Hinch	Forward	6-2	185	27
10	Ane Mihalovich	Forward	5-8	150	24
11	Tony Whelan	Forward	6-1	175	23
12	Ben Binshstock	Back	5-6	135	27
13	Leif Werneid	Midfield	5-9	155	32
14	Steve Cacciatore	Forward	5-6	130	21
16	Mairene Cano	Goal	6-1	170	21
17	Javier Loza	Back	5-8	155	27
19	Jerry Kazarian	Forward	5-9	155	22

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