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In their next two games, both on the home pitch at Hanson Stadium, the Chicago Cats face a redoubtable opponent of their own Eastern Division of the American Soccer League and engage in an international match with one of the most celebrated teams in the sport.

The clash with the Rhode Island Oceans comes first, on Saturday night, June 5. Not only is it vital that the Cats win to keep in the closely-contested Eastern Division struggle for leadership, but they are hungering for revenge over the booters from Providence.

Then on Wednesday, June 9, the Cats will be at home to the Cork Hibernians from Ireland. This game also is scheduled at 7:30 at Hanson.

After a strong start this season, the Cats ran afoul of Rhode Island and lost to them, 3-0, at Hanson May 19. A close game suddenly swung the Oceans way when their great Jose Neto broke loose for two second half goals, followed by another by Gladstone Ofori two minutes before the end.

The setback was especially galling to the Cats as they had won from the powerful Easterners several weeks ago for only one of two home defeats suffered in several years by the Oceans.

The international game also is most important for the Cats as points will count in the American League standings. This is because the Hibernians will be playing every club in the circuit on its swing across America.

The Hibernians, in a ten-year span, have won the Irish League championship four times, F.A.I Cup and All-Ireland Cup.