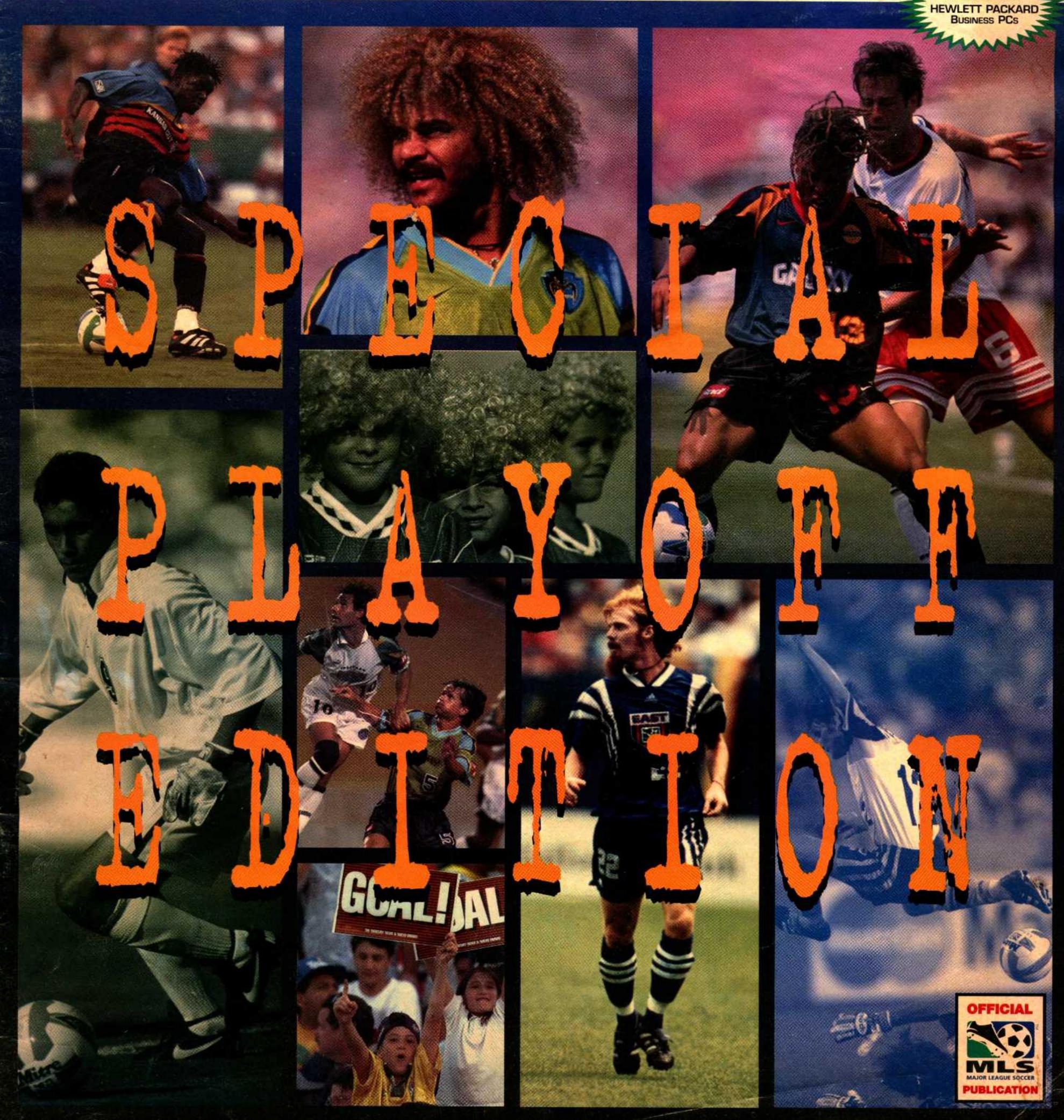


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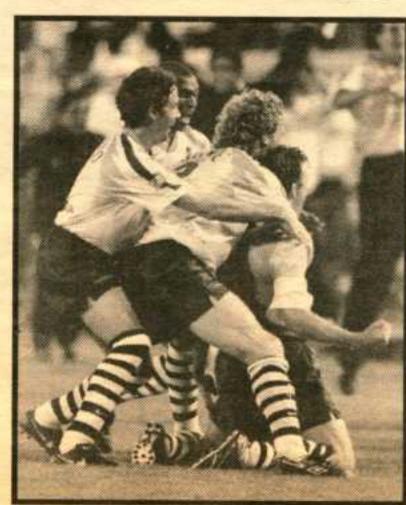


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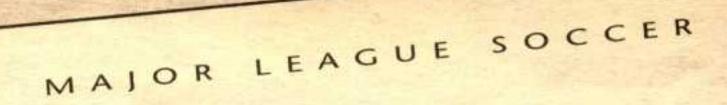
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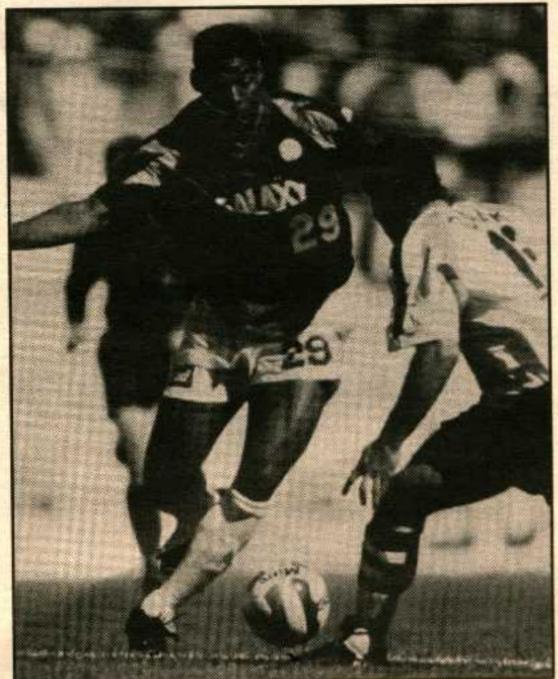


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So you think you're an expert on Major League Soccer? The experts at MLS have compiled a challenging overview of the league. Take your best shot and look for more MLS trivia questions on the league's world wide web site at www.MLSNET.com

- 1. Who scored the second goal in the history of Major League Soccer?
- 2. Which MLS player is the all-time leading scorer for the United States National Team?
- 3. Which Dallas Burn player was a member of three World Cup teams?
- 4. Which Columbus Crew player scored two goals for the United States at the Atlanta Olympic Games?
- 5. Which MLS goalkeeper led the league in shutouts in 1996?
- Name the college which has the most players on a Major League Soccer roster.
- 7. Who was the first player selected in the 1996 MLS Player Draft?
- Name the five MetroStars players who have represented their country in the World Cup Finals.
- 9. Which New England Revolution player represented his country in the World Cup Finals, the Olympic Games, the Under-20 World Youth Championships and the Under-16 World Youth Championships?
- 10. Name the Tampa Bay Mutiny player who was the leading scorer in college soccer in 1994.



Los Angeles Galaxy forward Eduardo Hurtado is one of the top target men in Major League Soccer.

- Name the two brother combinations currently playing in Major League Soccer.
- 12. Match the following MLS players with their nicknames:

Pete Marino, CLB El Tanque (the tank) Marco Etcheverry, D.C. Sneaky Darren Sawatzky, NE The Hammer Eric Wynalda, SJ El Diablo (the devil) Sean Bowers, KC Goose Carlos Valderrama, TB Digital Denis Hamlett, Col. Tarzan Eduardo Hurtado, LA Tower of Power Vitalis Takawira, KC Waldo Jeff Agoos, D.C. El Pibe (the kid)

13. Name the two D.C. United players who competed in the English Premier League during the 1995-96 season.

- 14. Which MLS player is the all-time leader in appearances with the United States National Team?
- 15. Which Dallas Burn player was once the captain of the world-renown Boca Juniors soccer club in Argentina?
- 16. Name the MLS head coach who holds the record for all-time victories in U.S. pro soccer history. Hint: He is also the only MLS head coach who is a member of the U.S. Soccer Hall of Fame.
- 17. Name the three members of Nigeria's 1994 World Cup team who are currently on a Major League Soccer roster.
- 18. Which Los Angeles Galaxy player hosts a television show on MTV?
- 19. Which goalkeeper recorded the first shutout in MLS history?
- 20. Which Kansas City Wiz player scored a goal in the 1990 World Cup Finals?
- 21. Which two Los Angeles Galaxy players were members of the 1992 United States Olympic team?
- 22. What is the name of New England
 Revolution defender Alexi Lalas' debut
 compact disc with his band The
 Gypsies?
- 23. Which player had the first hat trick (three-goal game) in MLS history?
- 24. Three MLS players have won the Hermann Trophy and the Missouri Athletic Club Award (the two awards for college soccer's top player). Who are the three players?

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THE QUEST FOR MLS CUP '96 A Look At The MLS Playoffs

Major League Soccer's inaugural season has been highly successful, both on and off the field. On the field, MLS executives established a goal of developing parity among the

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league's 10 teams. Heading into the final weeks of the regular season, the race for the Eastern and Western Conference titles were still undecided, especially in the West where Dallas, Los Angeles and Kansas City were all jockeying for first place.

The 1996 MLS playoffs will feature eight teams gunning for the inaugural MLS Cup. The following is a brief overview of the MLS playoff structure:

- The top four teams from each conference at the conclusion of the regular season will qualify for the MLS Playoffs. The top four teams will be determined in accordance with the MLS points system, under which teams are awarded three points for a win, one point for a shootout win, and no points for a loss.
- The Conference champions will play the fourth place team within their division while the second place club will play the

third place team.

- Higher seeded teams will have homefield advantage in the Conference Semifinals and Conference Finals.
- The Conference Semifinals will be a best-of-three format with the first game at the stadium of the lower seeded team and the final two games at the stadium of the higher seeded team. Winners advance to the Conference Finals.
- The Conference Finals will be a best-ofthree format with the first game at the stadium of the lower seeded team and the final two games at the stadium of the higher seeded team. Winners advance to the MLS Cup '96.
- MLS Playoff games will be decided by wins and losses instead of points. Thus, a team can advance to the next round by winning two games in a shootout, even if

the club's opponent won one of the three games outright in regulation.

The following is a brief look at potential playoff dates:

Conference Semifinals

Game 1	September 24, 25, 26
Game 2	September 27, 28, 29
Game 3	October 1, 2, 3 (if needed)

Conference Finals

Game 1	October 4, 5,6
Game 2	October 8, 9, 10
Game 3	October 11, 12, 13 (if needed)

The Final Game will be played on October 20 at Foxboro Stadium at 3:30 p.m. EDT. If MLS Cup '96 is tied at the end of regulation play, the game will feature two, 15-minute sudden death overtime periods. If the game remains tied after the overtime, an MLS shootout will decide the champion.

Jeff Agoos - D.C. United

Vitalis Takawira - Kansas City

Sean Bowers - Kansas City

Eric Wynalda - San Jose

Darren Sawatzky - New England

Carlos Valderrama - Tampa Bay

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- D.C. United defender Thor Lee scored an own goal for Columbus in the Crew's 4-0 victory over United on April 13.
- San Jose's Eric Wynalda has 25 goals for the U.S. National Team
- Hugo Sanchez represented Mexico in the 1982, '86 and '94 World Cups
- Brian Maisonneuve
- Tony Meola of the MetroStars
- UCLA with 16 players on MLS rosters following the league's roster freeze date. Note: the University of Virginia is a close second with 15 players on MLS rosters.
- Columbus Crew forward Brian McBride
- Tony Meola, Tab Ramos and Peter Vermes with the United States. Roberto Donadoni with Italy and Antony De Avila with Colombia.
- Mike Burns
- Mutiny midfielder Steve Ralston led the nation in scoring with 19 goals and 18 assists for 56 points in 1994
- New England's Alexi Lalas and brother Greg Lalas of the Tampa Bay Mutiny; Colorado's Chris and Sean Henderson
- El Tanque (the tank) Sneaky The Hammer
 - El Diablo (the devil)
- Eduardo Hurtado Los Angeles Pete Marino - Columbus Denis Hamlett - Colorado

Marco Etcheverry - D.C. United

- Goose Digital Tarzan
- Tower of Power Waldo El Pibe (the kid)
- John Harkes and Jaime Moreno
- Colorado's Marcelo Balboa
- Diego Sonora
- Kansas City Wiz Head Coach Ron Newman
- San Jose's Michael Emenalo and Ben Iroha along with Kansas City's Uche Okafor
- Cobi Jones is the host of MTV's Megadose
- San Jose's Tom Liner shut out D.C. United 1-0 on April 6 in the MLS Inaugural Game.
- 20. Mo Johnston scored the game-winning goal in Scotland's 2-1 win over Sweden at the 1990 World Cup Finals in Italy.
- 21. Cobi Jones and Curt Onalfo
- Woodland
- D.C. United's Steve Rammel on May 15
- 24. New England's John Kerr, Jr. (1986), MetroStars' Tony Meola (1989) and New England's Alexi Lalas (1991)



Major League Soccer
Commissioner Douglas G.
Logan recently took some
time to sit down and discuss his thoughts on the
success of MLS during its
inaugural season and the
future of the league. An
overview of
Commissioner Logan's
discussion with veteran
sports journalist Barry
Lorge follows.

Q: Can you give an overview of Major League Soccer's inaugural season, from your perspective?

D.G.L.: I think we've gotten off to an extraordinarily good start in our quest to bring Division I soccer to this country with a high level of credibility. The product we have put on the field during the course of a 160-game regular season has been very solid and very exciting. We have had significantly higher goal scoring than what we contemplated. We were hoping to get about three goals per game; we have had about 3.4 to 3.5 goals per game. We have achieved parity among the teams on the field, with a particularly very close Western Conference race. No one has really been out of the playoff race. We have had audiences that are about 80 percent higher than our original expectations, and

the audiences have been knowledgeable. They have enjoyed themselves and had a good time at the games. Our television viewership has been more than satisfactory. We are now enjoying ratings equal to college football and NHL regular-season hockey games.

Our original attempt was to put an affordable, honest product on the field, and we certainly have done that, and the fans have responded.

have done that, and the fans have responded. The play has been very good, and I'm very, very pleased with how the season has gone. We knew we had to go out after certain core audiences, which include the young audience and the ethnic audience, and in both regards, we have achieved great success. And finally, we have a game that is very accessible. Our athletes have signed thousands of autographs. They have made themselves available for picture sessions. They have been involved in online computer chats through the league's world wide web site. I think we have taken this great game and, by the outreach of the athletes that play on our teams, have made a great many friends this summer. That is a building block for growth in the years to come.

Q: MLS appears to have made a conscious effort to be inclusive and multicultural. Is that part of the strategy for making the league work?

D.G.L.: It absolutely is. This is clearly an American league. On our 20-man rosters, 16 of the players are Americans. But they may happen to be Americans with Hispanic last names such as Salcedo and Rodriguez. We think that

melting pot of many nationalities and many languages and many nations. We clearly have

embraced first and secondgeneration ethnic audiences, particularly the Latin audiences that have grown up with soccer as a part of their soul.

Q: Although the game is

played the same way all over the world, there are styles associated with different geographic areas and cultures. Do you see a "melting pot" MLS style of play evolving? D.G.L.: I spoke to one of our coaches recently, and he said it is an awful lot of fun to coach an MLS team because you have to gear yourself up for a different style almost every week. There are certain coaches who are playing a possession, ball-control, Latin American style that must be defended in a particular way. You also have coaches whose style is very much akin to the British Isles, which is a much more direct attack which features more of an aerial game. I think, over the course of time, an MLS style will ultimately become homogenized, but one of the fascinating things about this league is that we seem to have a rich variety of styles which has made for some fascinating soccer. I think we will develop a style which will incorporate the athleticism of the American player with the more artistic, soccer-skilled South American style. Fans will see a rather unique style emerge over the next few seasons.

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Q: You mentioned signing autographs and other player-fan interaction. How much is the league committed to fostering that connection between participants and spectators?

D.G.L.: In other high-profile sports, the connection has been lost, and there has been a severe breaking of the contact between fan and player that has always been the root of the popularity

of other sports. We have a very natural advanby bringing the world's game here to this country, tage over other pro sports in that I consider the MLS player to be the most intelligent, articuwe have to characterize it for what it is: an extraorlate, cosmopolitan and well educated athlete in all of team sports throughout the world, and a dinarily inclusive game wide variety of positive things come out of that. that is played the same Our players have a clear understanding that way in Namibia as it is in establishing that connection and making them-Poland, in Bolivia and selves worthy of the adulation that naturally Ireland, in China and Costa Rica. As a consetakes place between a youngster and a professional athlete is central, and a key to our conquence, what we celebrate is the rich diversity of tinued success. what this country sym-

Q: What are the league's future television plans?

D.G.L.: We have three-year arrangements in both our Univision and our combined ESPN-ESPN2-ABC deals, and 1997 will be the second of our three years. There will be a very critical

negotiating period in the course of the next two years which will be important for us in regard to our future direction on TV. I think I can conclude right now that come our second contract, or in 1999, you are going to see significantly more games over the air, as opposed to strictly on cable. As this league grows, its ability to disseminate its product through television, both domestically

WITH MLS COMMISSIONER DOUGLAS G. LOGAN



Commissioner Logan recently announced that MLS will expand by two teams in 1998.





and internationally, will increase significantly. We have a real advantage in being one of the few countries that plays the world's game during what is conventionally the offseason in Europe and South America along with other places throughout the world. This arrangement means there is going to be a demand for our product, live, during what is everybody else's offseason.

Q: Can you tell us about any plans for offseason exhibition games or foreign tours by MLS teams?

D.G.L.: A variety of our teams have been invited to play in many interesting places throughout the world. D.C. United, for example, is going to be playing in some friendly matches, I believe, in Japan in late November. United is also looking at playing in the first tournament that will be hosted by the Republic of Vietnam in Hanoi in the second week of December. The San Jose Clash has been invited to play a series of exhibition matches in Mexico and the MetroStars and a couple of other teams have been extended a few invitations to play some exhibition matches in Europe during the offseason. I would guess that six of our 10 teams are going to be doing some traveling and hopefully representing us well throughout the world in both tournament play and friendly match play.

Q: What are your future plans to develop referees?

D.G.L.: We're looking to develop administrators in this league, coaches, players and also to develop refereeing. I think we probably made a mistake this year in not investigating perhaps bringing in some foreign referees in an exchange program to get the flavor of refereeing



MLS Commissioner Douglas G. Logan and Pelé at a panel discussion about the future of professional soccer in the United States.

styles from South America and Europe during what is primarily their offseason. I think we will probably bring in and exchange three referees – one Asian, one Latin and one European – during the 1997 season. During the offseason, we are organizing a series of workshops and clinics for our referees and linesman that we think will help us elevate the game from the standpoint of officiating.

Q: Some people have expressed the opinion that the future success of MLS is its appeal to "Generation X." Do you agree with that, and if so, how are you appealing to that younger audience?

D.G.L.: Los Angeles Galaxy midfielder Cobi
Jones hosts a show on MTV and New England's
Alexi Lalas is an accomplished musician with
two compact discs to his credit. In fact, MTV
recently did a half-hour special on the league.

I think that is symbolic of the age that we draw from and appeal to. We received some healthy criticism over the selection of our team names, logos and uniforms, which are a little cutting edge and avant garde. We have a clear understanding that these teams are very attractive to the audience we are drawing, and the way our merchandise is selling, we believe we made some good choices regarding

fabric and design. We definitely think that our future resides in a variety of core audiences — not the least of which is that youth audience, which interestingly, is very well connected to their computers and the Internet. They are on the cutting edge of a lot of cultural and fashion statements, and we are going to appeal to that audience because it has been a very loyal audience in our first year.

Q: What improvements would you like to see the league make in 1997? D.G.L.: It's amazing to look back at videos of

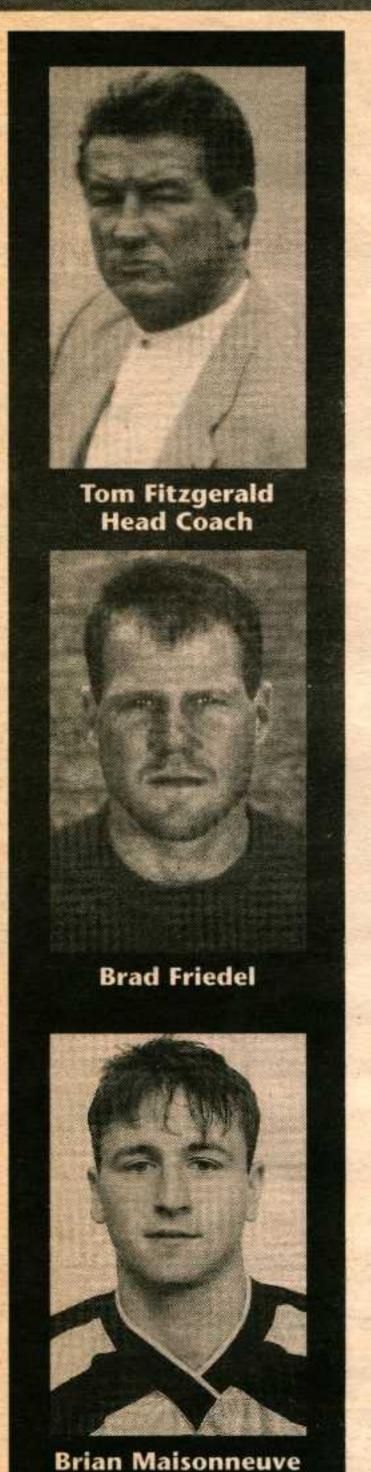
games that took place in late April and early May, and compare them to the games in August during the run for the playoffs, because the level of play has improved by a multiple. We think there is going to be some very natural improvement in that most of these rosters are going to be kept together during the offseason, and most of the coaches you would presume are coming back, so there won't be that steep of a learning curve of players and coaches learning about one another and their styles. We are going to add another foreign player to each team next season. We have found that during World Cup qualifying and other friendlies, frequently two or three of these stars that we have brought in from other places would be missing from the field of play at any given time. We feel a vital ingredient in our success is the marrying up of young, growing, learning American players with stars from other countries. This blending is what has made our game grow, and we expect it to grow further. We definitely need to do a better marketing job in several of our markets - in Denver, Tampa and perhaps even Kansas City - to make the audiences grow in those particular locations. I think we have an excellent opportunity to draw more people to our games, to increase our viewership on television and to heighten the quality of play on our fields.



Tampa Bay's Carlos Valderrama, surrounded by MLS Commissioner Douglas G. Logan (left) and MasterCard's Alan Heuer, was named the MasterCard MLS All-Star Game Most Valuable Player







COLUMBUS CREW

espite a seemingly productive mixture of veteran players, young talent and international flavor, Columbus struggled for most of the season, and was the last team to pass the 20-point mark. While scoring goals has not been a problem, allowing them has. The Crew is among the league leaders in goals scored, but is last in goals allowed at more than two per game.

The latter part of the season saw an upturn for the Crew with the additions of U.S. National Team defender Paul Caligiuri and Argentinean Ricardo Iribarren stabilizing the defense. The arrival of U.S. National Team goalkeeper Brad Friedel, acquired from Galatasaray in the Turkish First Division at the beginning of August, gives Columbus the league's top netminder and helped spark a late-season winning streak.

Friedel's return to his home state also coincided with the departure of Head Coach Timo Liekoski, who became the second MLS coach to resign this season. Liekoski was replaced by former assistant coach Tom Fitzgerald for a final push to the playoffs.

Forward Brian McBride, the first overall pick in the MLS Player Draft, has lived up to expectations, earning National Team call-ups while making his mark as one of the top scorers in the league. A rising star in American soccer, McBride is the future of the Columbus offense.

Pete Marino, a late cut from the 1996 U.S. Olympic Roster, adds fire to the Columbus offense, scoring at a pace almost equal to McBride. The M&M boys give the Crew two attackers to be reckoned with in the future. Uruguayan Adrian Paz' late-season surge and the return of Olympic Team member Brian Maisonneuve (a two-goal scorer at the Atlanta Olympic Games) gives the Crew more options, but a season-ending knee injury to flank midfielder Billy Thompson took some punch out of

the Columbus midfield. South African National Team star Doctor Khumalo could be a key player if the Crew hopes to achieve postseason success.

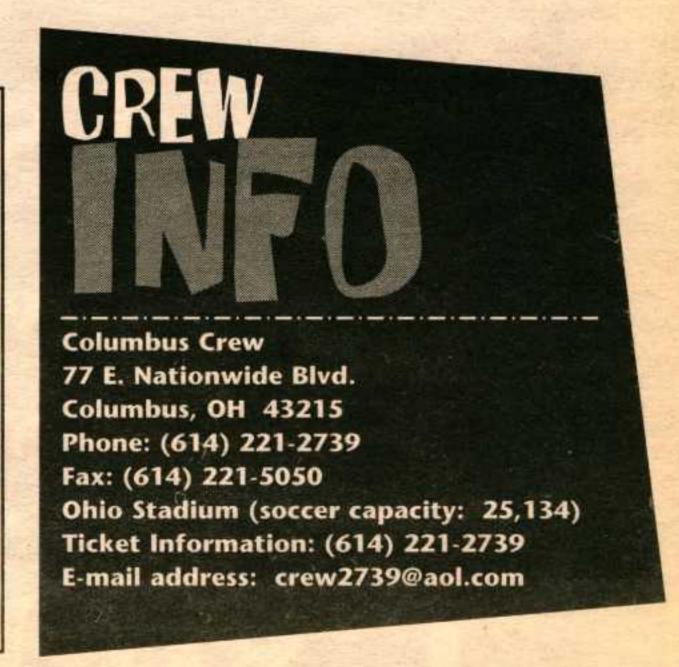




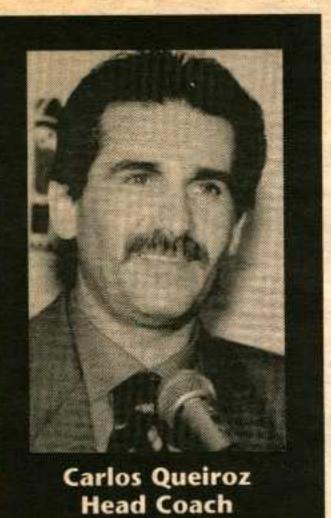
Brian McBride, whose play this season earned him a call-up to the U.S. National Team, directs the Columbus Crew offense.

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16	Rob Smith	M	5-10	150	8-20-73	Wilmington, DE	South Carolina
9	Billy Thompson	F	5-6	140	5-5-68	Cupertino, CA	UCLA
19	Robert Warzycha	M	5-8	160	8-20-63	Warsaw, Poland	-
18	David Winner	GK	6-1	185	4-23-71	Eavue, FL	Tampa University
6	Todd Yeagley	М	6-0	170	9-20-72	Bloomington, IN	Indiana University
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he MetroStars have had a season of change. Changing coaches, changing players and changing fortunes on the field.

The first MLS team to make a coaching change,

Portuguese coaching legend Carlos Queiroz took over from former New York Cosmos head man Eddie Firmani on May 24. Since then, the team has slowly rebuilt and rose from last place to earn a berth in the playoffs.

The MetroStars have used the most players of any MLS team as Queiroz and his staff have traveled the country to find the best combination for his starting 11. much-awaited The of midfielder arrival Roberto Donadoni in early May added a dimension the to midfield MetroStars unmatched by any other team. Combined with U.S. National Team veteran Tab Ramos, the MetroStars' duo is one of the league's most creative and dangerous.

The MetroStars' goals in the first half of the sea-

son came almost exclusively off the foot of Giovanni Savarese. The hard-working goal-poacher has been effective as a starter



Roberto Donadoni, battling Dallas' Ed Puskarich for the ball, teams with Tab Ramos to give the MetroStars one of Major League Soccer's top midfields. and off the bench, and with the recent addition of Colombian National Team striker Antony "El Pitufo" De Avila, as well as the return of U.S. Olympic Team striker A.J. Wood, Savarese is now one of the league's most valuable Additionally, reserves. Wood's Olympic Team teammates Damian Silvera and Miles Joseph add depth, and in Joseph, the MetroStars have one of the league's top

While blessed with youth, the MetroStars also have a huge helping of experience. Former U.S. National Team captain Peter Vermes adds backbone to the midfield and defense, as does Italian First Division veteran Caricola. Nicola Tony Meola, the most-capped goalkeeper in U.S. National Team history, has shown why he is one of the best in the league, leading MLS in shutouts.

young flank midfielders.

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No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	DOB	Hometown	College
5	Nicola Caricola	D	6-0	160	2-13-63	Bari, Italy	
16	Chris da Silva	D	5-11	172	2-3-71	Paterson, NJ	So. Connecticut State
11	Antony De Avila	F	5-3	135	12-21-63	Santa Maria, Colombia	
7	Roberto Donadoni	M	5-9	160	9-9-63	Milan, Italy	A STATE OF THE STATE OF
12	Ted Gillen	M	5-10	160	8-16-68	State College, PA	Penn State
15	Rhett Harty	M	6-1	178	3-8-70	Whittier, CA	Stanford
4	Ian Hennessey	M	6-0	170	2-10-67	Cork County, Ireland	Seton Hall
23	Rob Johnson	F	5-11	175	2-10-73	Jackson, NJ	Rutgers
19	Miles Joseph	F	5-9	165	5-2-74	Clifton Park, NY	Clemson
3	Matt Knowles	D	6-1	190	10-7-70	Philadelphia, PA	# 30 m
13	Manuel Lagos	M	6-0	165	6-1-71	St. Paul, MN	UW-Milwaukee
1	Tony Meola	GK	6-1	205	2-21-69	Kearny, NJ	University of Virginia
10	Tab Ramos	M	5-7	140	9-21-66	Kearny, NJ	N.C. State
17	Giovanni Savarese	F	6-0	180	7-14-71	Caracas, Venezuela	Long Island Universit
6	Damian Silvera	M	5-8	160	7-27-74	Flushing, NY	University of Virginia
18	Zach Thornton	GK	6-3	210	10-10-73	Edgewood, MD	Loyola, MD
14	Chris Unger	M	5-10	155	3-14-68	Old Tappan, NJ	Princeton University
9	Peter Vermes	F	6-1	175	1-21-66	Delran, NJ	Rutgers University
22	A.J. Wood	F	6-2	190	8-17-73	Rockville, MD	University of Virginia
2	Jeff Zaun	D	6-0	165	4-2-71	Medford, NJ	Rutgers University

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Mike Burns

REVOLUTION



he New England Revolution is another team that spent most of the season looking for its rhythm, and finally found it with late-season arrival of Joe-Max Moore. The explosive striker showed his goal-scoring talent, and his nose for the net by immediately embarking on a scoring streak.

Up until Moore joined the Revolution, the team struggled to score goals, ranking last in MLS.

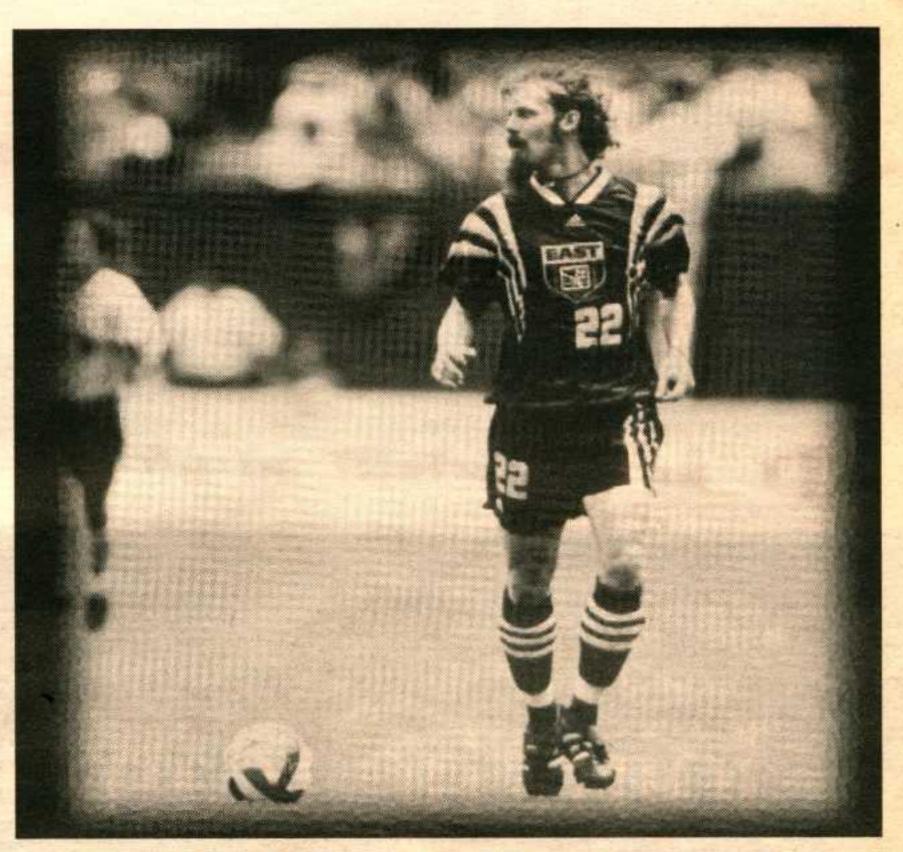
However, the defense – led by the emotional play of Alexi Lalas – has ranked among the league leaders. Although America's most famous player was paired with some lesser known defenders, some personnel changes were made and the play of USISL call-ups Francis Okaroh and Kevin Wylie has helped make the Revolution defense one of the league's toughest. Since returning from groin surgery, Iain Fraser's play in the middle further solidified the defense.

A knee injury to team captain Mike Burns put the reliable defender/midfielder out for the entire month of July and most of August, but his return bodes well for the Revolution's postseason chances.

The presence of Moore has also brought out the playmaking talent of midfielder Alberto Naveda, who assisted on Joe-Max's first six goals of the season. The skillful Naveda has led the Revolution in scoring throughout the season and his 55-yard moonshot goal against the Colorado Rapids was one of the best of the year. Additional help on offense

has come from the dynamic REVOLUTION Brazilian Welton, who has excit-

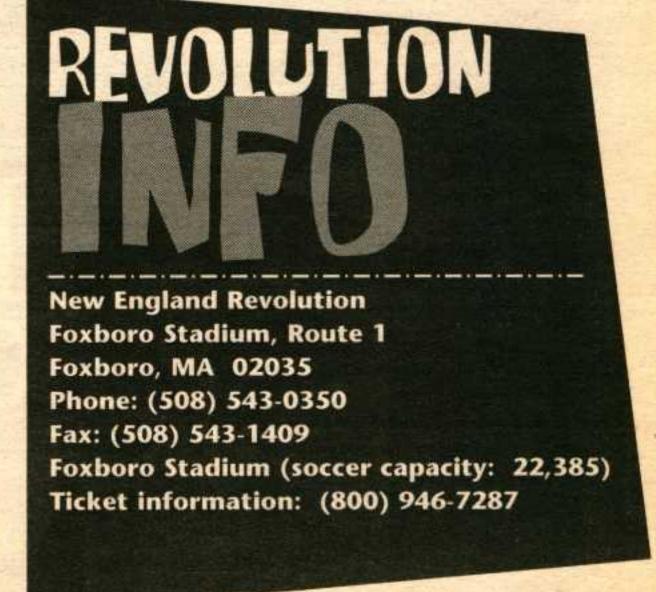
ed the crowds and baffled defenders all season. The elusive dribbler is one of the league's most fouled players and one of the team's assist leaders. Look for U.S. Olympic Team starter Imad Baba, who joined the Revolution for the push to the playoffs, to complement Moore with his relentless work rate and savvy on the front line.



Alexi Lalas (shown here at the MLS All-Star Game) was the captain of the United States Olympic Team at this summer's Atlanta Olympic Games.

REVOLUTIONROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	DOB	Hometown	College
6	Geoff Aunger	M	6-0	165	2-4-68	Red Deer, Alberta	
21	Imad Baba	M	5-10	170	3-15-74	Humble, TX	Clemson
4	Mike Burns	M	5-9	165	5-14-70	Marlboro, MA	Hartwick College
5	Ted Chronopoulos	D	6-0	168	9-16-72	Loma Linda, CA	San Diego State
14	John Debrito	M	6-2	168	12-3-68	Waterbury, CT	So. Connecticut State
3	lain Fraser	D	5-10	170	4-3-64	Ontario, Canada	Hartwick College
32	Aidan Heaney	GK	6-0	180	8-9-69	New Castle, England	UNC-Charlotte
18	Paul Keegan	F	6-0	165	12-30-72	Dublin, Ireland	Boston College
2	John Kerr, Jr.	M	5-9	160	3-6-65	Falls Church, VA	Duke
22	Alexi Lalas	D	6-3	195	6-1-70	Detroit, MI	Rutgers University
16	Tom Lips	D	5-11	170	6-25-68	Hauppauge, NY	Fairleigh Dickinson
12	Joe-Max Moore	M	5-9	150	2-23-71	Irvine, CA	UCLA
10	Alberto Naveda	F	5-9	165	11-23-71	San Juan, ARG	
20	Francis Okaroh	M	6-0	170	8-25-63	Enugu, Nigeria	Boston University
7	Darren Sawatzky	F	5-10	160	2-22-73	Portland, OR	University of Portland
1	Jim St. Andre	GK	5-11	175	2-15-68	Colorado Spgs., CO	University of Vermon
13	Mark Watson	D	6-0	170	9-7-70	Vancouver, BC	University of British



Thomas Rongen

Head Coach

Roy Lassiter

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rmed with some of the best talent in Major League Soccer, the Tampa Bay Mutiny took an early lead in the Eastern Conference and never relinquished it.

Striker Roy Lassiter's tremendous speed,

quickness and a lethal finishing touch propelled him to the top of the MLS scoring charts. Colombian National Team star Carlos Valderrama, one of the world's best creative midfielders, has piled up assists while showing superior passing touch and composure on the ball.

While the focus has been on Tampa's attack, which has been one of the most attractive and dangerous in MLS, the Mutiny defense has also shined. The back line of Cle Kooiman, Frank Yallop and Steve Pittman has used bruising intensity to get the better of most opponents. Goalkeeper Mark Dougherty equals the intensity of his defense and has the ability to make the big save.

Defensive midfielder Martin Vasquez has been or a rock in the middle, contributan ing on both the offensive and
er defensive ends, while freeing up Valderrama to
work his magic. Young Steve Ralston has prospered
d, on the right side of the midfield, adding flair, consistency and goals, making
him a leading candidate for
the Bandai Rookie of the

Year award.

Left-side midfielder
Evans Wise has struggled with injuries, but
his creative, darting
dribbling style makes
him one of the most
exciting players in MLS
while hard man Ivan
McKinley adds brawn to
Valderrama's grace.

Several in-season roster additions will contribute to the Mutiny's run for the title. The acquisition of Italian First Division veteran Giuseppe Galderisi off waivers from the New England Revolution has made a big difference up front. Olympic Team starter Frankie Hejduk, a seventh-round draft choice who didn't join the team until after the Atlanta Olympic Games, adds tremendous pace and could be a key in the playoffs.



Colombian National Team captain Carlos Valderrama has ranked among the MLS leaders in assists throughout the season.

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No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	DOB	Hometown	College
16	Derek Backman	M	6-0	170	1-6-66	Spring Hill, FL	College of Boca Raton
22	Scott Budnick	GK	6-2	195	10-28-71	Louisville, KY	William & Mary
2	John Diffley	D	5-9	150	1-11-67	New York, NY	American University
1	Mark Dougherty	GK	6-2	180	11-7-67	Cupertino, CA	Fresno State
	Mike DuHaney #	M	5-11	165	4-5-74	San Diego, CA	UNLV
12	Adam Frye	D	5-8	159	2-15-74	Alamogordo, NM	UCLA
20	Giuseppe Galderisi	F	5-8	150	3-22-63	Salerno, Italy	
9	Peter Hattrup #	F	5-11	175	3-30-64	Seattle, WA	Seattle Pacific
13	Frankie Hejduk	D	5-8	155	8-5-74	Cardiff, CA	UCLA
7	Goran Hunjak	F	5-9	165	11-13-65	Kansas City, KS	
4	Cle Kooiman	D	6-1	190	7-4-63	Ontario, CA	San Diego State
17	Greg Lalas	M	6-1	185	3-27-73	Birmingham, MI	Brown
11	Roy Lassiter	F	5-8	165	3-9-69	Raleigh, NC	N.C. State
8	Ivan McKinley	M	6-2	180	6-15-69	Palm Bay, FL	College of Boca Raton
3	Steve Pittman	D	5-10	184	7-18-67	Wilson, N.C.	
14	Steve Ralston	M	5-9	150	6-14-74	St. Louis, MO	FIU
10	Carlos Valderrama	M	5-9	157	9-2-61	Barranquilla, Colombia	_
6	Martin Vasquez	M	6-0	178	12-24-63	West Covina, CA	Cal-State Los Angeles
21	Nelson Vargas	M	5-7	150	8-6-74	Miami, FL	
18	Diego Viera	F	6-2	180	4-10-72	Montevideo, Uruguay	
19	Evans Wise	M	6-0	155	11-23-73	Port of Spain, Trinidad	
5	Frank Yallop	D	5-10	160	4-4-64	Vancouver, B.C.	

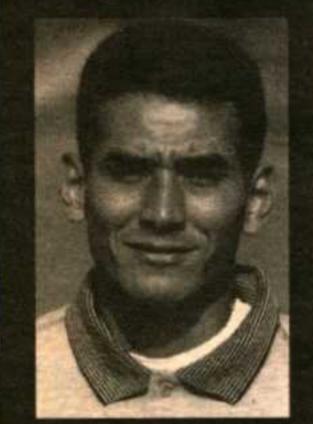








John Harkes



Raul Diaz Arce

WASHINGTON D.C. UNITED

fter starting the season at 2-8, D.C. United slowly climbed back into contention, rebuilt its confidence and is considered by many soccer experts to be one of the league's most entertaining teams.

While carrying the action in many games, United

racked up one of the largest shot counts in MLS, but also compiled one of the league's poorest records in one-goal especially games, during the club's early-season strug-Solid team gles. chemistry and the club's nearly unbeatable record at RFK Stadium during the latter half of the season have United poised to make a run for MLS Cup '96.

The skillful midfield combination of John Harkes and Marco "El Diablo" Etcheverry is rivaled only by Tampa Bay and the MetroStars. The front line duo of Raul Diaz Arce and Steve Rammel was the most productive in MLS until the late season arrival of Bolivian forward Jaime Moreno, who has given Head Coach Bruce Arena the luxury of bringing Rammel off the bench. Both Rammel and Diaz Arce have registered hat tricks this season.



With Etcheverry among the top assist men in MLS and Diaz Arce and Rammel consistently among the top-10 goal scorers, D.C. United has been tough to stop. While the midfield struggled early, the addition of USISL call-up Tony Sanneh and the consistent play of Richie Williams have added stability.

In the back, U.S. National Team veteran Jeff Agoos leads a rugged defense which received a boost with the return of U.S. Olympic Team players Clint Peay and budding star Eddie Defenders Erik Imler and Mario Gori have improved as the season progressed and the addition of USISL call-up David Vaudreuil adds depth to the backline. Goalkeeping has not been a United strong point, but the platoon between of Jeff Causey and Mark Simpson has come on strong in the latter part of the season.



Bolivian National Team star Marco Etcheverry's creative playmaking ability makes United a solid contender for MLS Cup '96.

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No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	DOB
12	JeffAgoos	D	5-10	175	5-2-68
26	Jeff Causey	GK	6-3	197	10-19-71
21	Raul Diaz Arce	F	5-9	160	2-2-70
10	Marco Etcheverry	F	5-10	160	9-26-70
11	Mario Gori	D	5-7	160	1-6-73
6	John Harkes	M	5-11	165	3-8-67
18	Mike Huwiler	M	5-11	160	1-4-72
5	Erik Imler	D	5-9	165	6-1-71
8	Brian Kamler	M	6-1	175	2-12-72
7	Kris Kelderman	D	6-1	185	12-10-68
19	John Maessner	M	5-10	162	6-2-69
13	Shawn Medved	M	5-11	172	6-16-67
9	Jaime Moreno	F	5-10	163	1-19-74
4	Clint Peay	D	6-0	165	9-16-73
23	Eddie Pope	0	6-1	180	12-24-73
14	Steve Rammel	F	5-9	160	4-20-68
20	Tony Sanneh	F	6-2	190	6-1-71
2	Mark Simpson	GK	6-2	175	3-18-66
24	David Vaudreuil	D	5-7	158	12-21-66
16	Richie Williams	M	5-5	145	6-3-70

College Hometown University of Virginia Dallas, TX University of Virginia Gainesville, VA San Salvador, El Salvador Santa Cruz, Bolivia Rosario, Argentina University of Virginia Kearny, NJ University of Virginia Wauwatosa, WI University of Virginia Bowie, MD Ballwin, MO Creighton University University of Virginia Neenah, WI University of Virginia Mercerville, NJ Issaguah, WA Evergreen State Santa Cruz, Bolivia Columbia, MD University of Virginia High Point, NC North Carolina Rutgers University Woodbury, NJ **UW-Milwaukee** St. Paul, Minn. Eastern Illinois University Schaumburg, IL Canton, CT Princeton University of Virginia Middletown, NJ





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WYNALDA'S GOAL SEALS HISTORIC 1-0 VICTORY FOR SAN JOSE



San Jose players celebrate Eric Wynalda's historic goal in the Clash's 1-0 victory over D.C. United on April 6.

After more than 87 minutes of scoreless action, Eric Wynalda showed why he is the U.S. National Team's all-time leading scorer, when his brilliant goal in the 88th minute gave the San Jose Clash a thrilling last-minute victory over D.C. United in the inaugural game of Major League Soccer on Saturday, April 6 at San Jose's Spartan Stadium.

A standing room only crowd of 31,683 packed into Spartan Stadium for the Clash's victory, making the MLS Inaugural Game the largest crowd in the history of San Jose sporting events.

"The best feeling I've ever had in my life," said

Wynalda, of scoring the historic goal. "I felt like I had electricity going through my body."

"The all-time goal scorer in U.S. history, before a big hometown crowd in the 88th minute," MLS Chairman Alan Rothenberg said. "I wouldn't have dared to write a script with an ending like that."

LOS ANGELES DEFEATS TAMPA BAY 3-2 IN FRONT OF 92,216 AT THE ROSE BOWL

A U.S. pro soccer record crowd of 92,216 turned out to see Los Angèles defender Robin Fraser score on a 25-yard blast in the 88th minute, and then score in the shootout tiebreaker just minutes later as the Galaxy defeated the Tampa Bay Mutiny 3-2 on June 16 at the Rose Bowl.

The record crowd also was on hand at the Rose Bowl for a unique doubleheader which included the final of the U.S. Cup between the United States and Mexico.

"I would've paid money to see this doubleheader," said New England Revolution defender Alexi Lalas, who spent the first part of the afternoon with the U.S. National Team. "Two of the greatest teams in the world continuing a tremendous rivalry, followed by the two best teams in MLS. There were goals, excitement, drama. What more could you ask for."

Los Angeles goalkeeper Jorge Campos pulled a unique double, playing the full 90 minutes for Mexico in game one and splitting time as a goalkeeper and a forward for the Galaxy in game two.

SAN JOSE WELCOMES THE 1,000,000TH MLS FAN

At the same stadium where MLS was launched on April 6, the league welcomed its one millionth fan on Saturday, June 1 when the San Jose Clash defeated the Columbus Crew 3-2 in a shootout in San Jose.

Seven-year-old Falke Verwer of San Jose became the

through the Spartan Stadium turnstiles. MLS passed the one-million mark in attendance in the league's 47th game, more than one month ahead of preseason projections.

"It's exciting to see how far the league has come in just a few short weeks since the MLS Inaugural Game was played here April 6," San Jose General Manager Peter Bridgwater said following the game. "We're proud to have hosted the first game in league history and proud to have been a part of this tremendous attendance milestone."

RECORD CROWD ATTENDS ALL-STAR DOUBLEHEADER

After setting the record for the largest crowd ever for a professional soccer league game in the United States, soccer fans came out in force to Giants Stadium as capacity crowd of 78,614 watched Tampa Bay Mutiny defender Steve Pittman scored the game winner in the 88th minute as the Eastern Conference All-Stars defeated the finest from Western Conference, 3-2, in the inaugural MLS All-Star Game. The crowd was the largest ever for a sporting event at Giants Stadium.

Tampa Bay's Carlos Valderrama earned MasterCard Mos



A record crowd of 78,416 attended the 1996 Major League Soccer All-Star Game at Giants Stadium.



inaugural season has seen its share of thrilling action, large crowds and high-scoring games. ne on April 6, to the league's playoff race during September, Division I professional soccer in the a great response from sports fans across the United States and throughout the world. Here is a he highlights of the league's first season.

Valuable Player honors with two assists for the Eastern Conference All-Stars.

"It was great playing out there today with such great players playing before an outstanding crowd," Valderrama said following the game. "We played good soccer, attacking soccer that excited the crowd. I am honored to be the MVP when you had so many players of quality playing with and against me."

The MLS All-Star Game was followed by the Brazilian Olympic Team's 2-1 win over the FIFA World Stars. Bebeto and Roberto Carlos each had a goal for the Brazilians while Germany's Jurgen Klinsmann had the lone goal for the World Stars.

RAUL DIAZ ARCE SCORES FOUR GOALS IN D.C. UNITED VICTORY

El Salvadoran National Team star Raul Diaz Arce showed why he is considered one of Major League Soccer's elite scorers when he exploded to score four goals on July 7 to lead D.C. United to a 6-1 victory over the Dallas Burn.

Diaz Arce's offensive effort was the first four-goal game in the history of MLS.



After scoring in the third minute to put United up 1-0,
Diaz Arce caught fire to score three goals in a 15-minute
span early in the second half as United went up 5-0.
Dallas finally scored when Chad Ashton connected in the

69th minute, and Steve Rammel's second goal of the day closed out the scoring.

MIS BRINGS U.S. STARS HOME AND PUTS INTERNATIONAL STARS IN THE AMERICAN SPORTS SPOTLIGHT

Although not a specific game or event, Major League Soccer's player personnel department played an instrumental role in creating the league's outstanding moments by bringing home the top U.S. National Team stars and signing world-class international talent.

From the signing of the league's first player – Tab Ramos – on January 3, 1995, to the addition of goalkeeper Brad Friedel on August 9, 1996, 15 U.S. World Cup team members returned home to play for MLS clubs. MLS Deputy Commissioner Sunil Gulati added the likes of international stars including Jorge Campos, Roberto Donadoni and Carlos Valderrama to bring and exciting brand of soccer to American fans.

Look for additional world-class player signings during the offseason as MLS anticipates the addition of one international player per team in 1997.

KANSAS CITY AND COLUMBUS COMBINE FOR IO GOALS IN ONE GAME

After watching the Kansas City Wiz and Columbus Crew battle it out for 90 minutes on May 2, the fans in attendance at Arrowhead Stadium and the viewers on ESPN saw Major League Soccer come through with its promise of attacking soccer. The Wiz and Crew put on an offensive clinic on that cool Spring evening, setting numerous league offensive records on the way to a 6-4 Kansas City victory.

After going down 4-2 in the 65th minute, Kansas City rebounded to score four goals in the final 23 minutes. It was just one of many Wiz comebacks during the team's inaugural

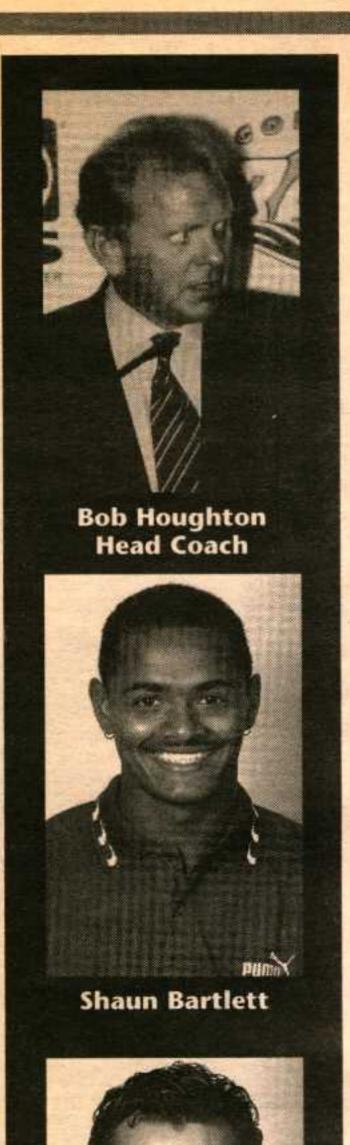


Kansas City's Mo Johnston (left) scored two goals in Kansas City's 6-4 win over Columbus on May 2 – the highest scoring game in MLS history.

MLS campaign.

Kansas City Head Coach Ron Newman best summed up the high-scoring contest. "I thought we were in the NBA for a minute. From an entertainment value, this one had it all."





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he Colorado Rapids have been impacted by injuries perhaps more than any other MLS team, losing Jean Harbor, Marcelo Balboa, Chris Henderson, Roy Wegerle, Richard Sharpe, Ian Butterworth, Troy Edwards and Dominic Kinnear — all key players — for significant parts of the season.

Still, South African striker Shaun Bartlett, Harbor

and Balboa, playing midfield instead of the sweeper position he occupies for the U.S. National Team, have all had productive scoring seasons.

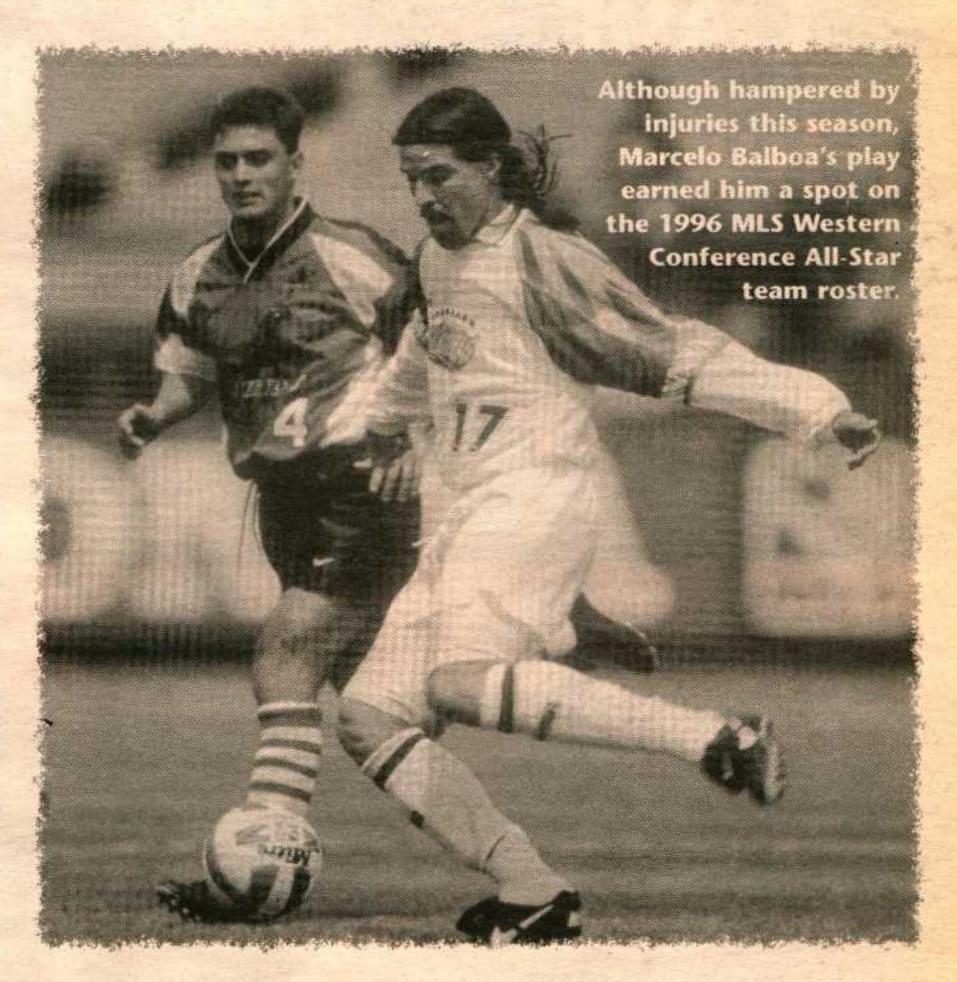
Ironmen defenders Steve Trittschuh and Matt Kmosko have been among the few stabilizing forces for the Rapids, which also made a goalkeeper change early in the season when former English National Team starter Chris Woods joined the team. While Woods has been solid in the nets, rough and tumble defender Denis Hamlett has been a mainstay on defense, as has forward Scott Benedetti on the offensive end.

The combined international appearances of Rapids players (over 400 international caps between them) make Colorado among the league's most experienced teams, but injuries have cut into their effectiveness, and the team has failed to take advantage of the home-stadium altitude at Mile High. While struggling to



win on the road, the Rapids have not fared well in one-goal games and have lost more than their share of shootouts.

In spite of the obstacles, the pairing of Bartlett and Harbor up front has been one of the league's most dangerous tandems and a second-half of the season surge by the South African put him among the league's top scorers.



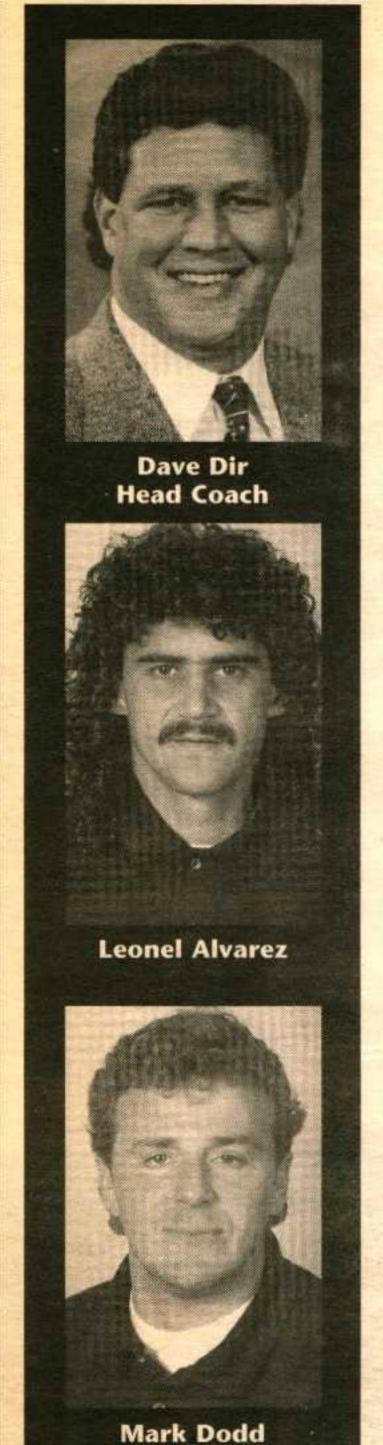
RAPIDSROSTER

Roy Wegerle

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	DOB	Hometown	College
17	Marcelo Balboa	D	6-1	175	8-8-67	Cerritos, CA	San Diego State
9	Shaun Bartlett	F	6-2	180	10-31-72	Cape Town, South Africa	
16	Brian Bates	D	6-1	190	8-16-72	Woodbridge, VA	University of Virginia
14	Scott Benedetti	F	5-11	175	11-13-66	Portland, OR	University of Portland
6	Ian Butterworth	D	6-2	190	2-15-64	Norfolk, England	-
15	Scott Cannon	D	5-9	155	7-22-68	Evansville, ID	Evansville University
7	Troy Edwards	D	6-0	195	1-21-64	North Bay Village, FL	Florida International
5	Denis Hamlett	D	5-11	190	1-9-69	Betsville, MD	George Mason
13	Jean Harbor	F	6-1	195	9-19-65	Lanham, MD	Alabama A&M
19	Chris Henderson	M	5-10	150	12-11-70	Everett, WA	UCLA
11	Sean Henderson	M	6-0	160	7-25-72	Everett, WA	UCLA
18	Dusty Hudock	GK	6-2	186	9-4-72	Seattle, WA	Washington
8	Dominic Kinnear	M	5-11	155	7-26-67	Fremont, CA	Hartwick College
12	Matt Kmosko	D	6-1	173	1-8-72	Ship Bottom, NJ	Hartwick College
20	Josh McKay	D	6-0	175	11-16-71	Pleasanton, CA	USF
2	Felipe Rodriguez	M	5-7	160	9-12-75	El Monte, CA	-
3	Richard Sharpe	F	6-2	180	1-15-67	South End, England	FIT
4	Steve Trittschuh	D	6-0	170	4-24-65	Granite City, IL	Southern Illinois
10	Roy Wegerle	F	5-11	170	3-19-64	Tampa, FL	University of South Florid
1	Chris Woods	GK	6-3	184	8-7-74	Manchester, England	

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BALLAS BURRE



hile utilizing a core of only 15 players this season, the Dallas Burn has used consistency, the play of defensive midfielder Leonel Alvarez and great goalkeeping from Mark Dodd to challenge for the Western Conference title.

Midfielder Jason Kreis has put together a breakthrough season and his canon right leg has become one of the most feared in MLS. The much-awaited

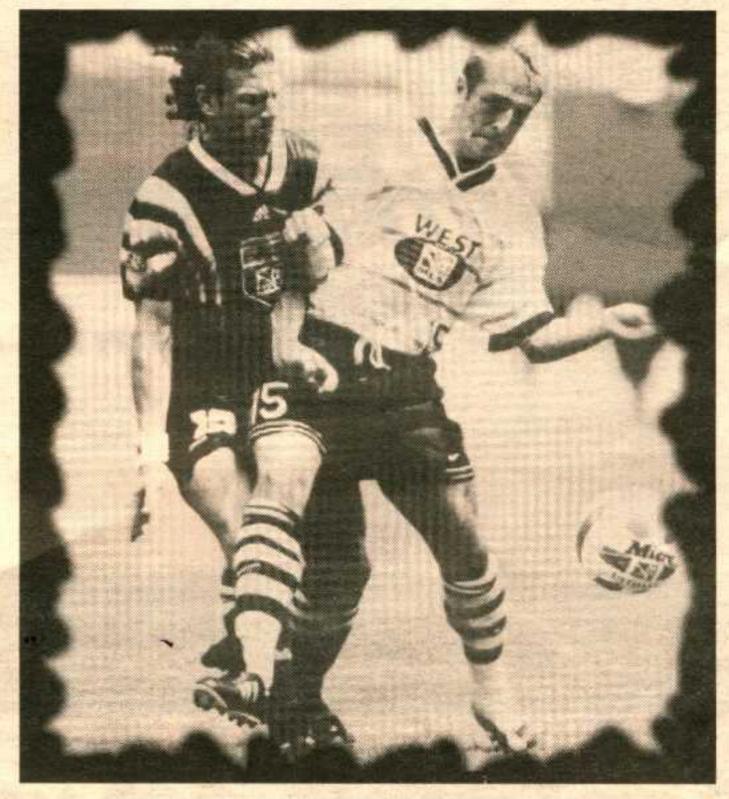
arrival of goal-scoring legend Hugo Sanchez in late May fortified the Burn's attack and his spectacular bicycle kick goal against the San Jose Clash was one for the ages.

The play of Alvarez has been a key to the Burn's success, so much so that Dallas has struggled without him in the lineup. While Alvarez has had trouble with yellow cards and suspensions, as well as missing several games due to World Cup qualifying matches with Colombia, his intimidating presence in the center and deft ball skills have made him one of the league's impact players.

Diego Sonora, Mark Santel and Lawrence Lozzano have been very steady and at the same time extremely versatile. All three can play in the back or the midfield, giving the Burn numerous options to throw at opponents come playoff time. Richard Farrer, a converted forward, has been a pleasant surprise, adding spirited play and tough tackling as well as the ability to go forward. The addition of defender Zak Ibsen, acquired in a trade that sent John Kerr to the Revolution, adds depth to the Burn back line.

The emergence of speedster Gerrell Elliott, on fire since coming back from a broken foot that sidelined him for more than half the season, adds the offensive spark Dallas may need for a place in the championship game. The acquisition of Dante Washington from Columbus in early August gives the Burn additional depth on the front line.

Dodd has been super in the nets, letting in few bad goals, making a handful of spectacular saves and contributing to several shootout wins – the kind of goalkeeping an MLS champion will need.



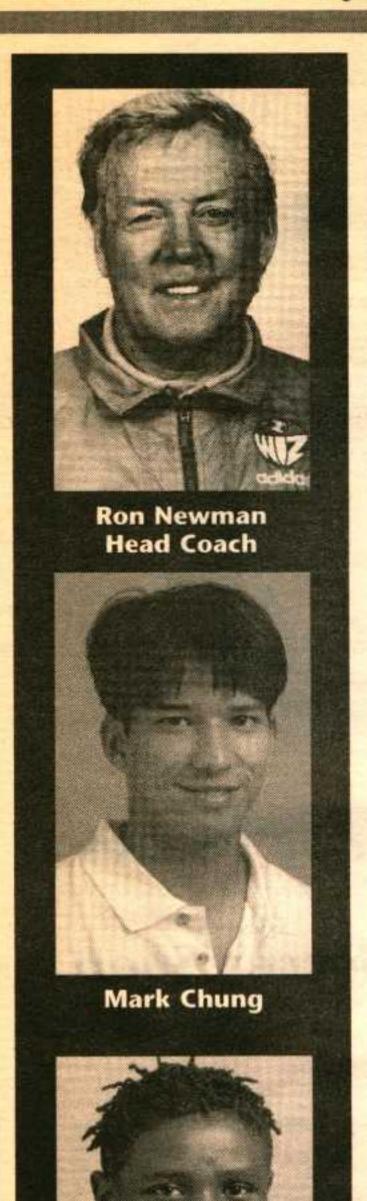
Jason Kreis, shown here battling D.C. United's Jeff Agoos at the MLS All-Star Game, is one of the league's top free-kick specialists.

BURNROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	DOB	Hometown	College
14	Leonel Alvarez	M	5-10	160	6-29-65	Medellin, Colombia	COLUMN THE PARTY OF THE PARTY O
4	Chad Ashton	M	5-9	175	10-26-67	Denver, CO	North Carolina
00	Jeff Cassar	GK	6-2	190	2-2-74	Livonia, MI	FIU
1	Mark Dodd	GK	6-2	180	9-14-65	Dallas, TX	Duke
12	Ted Eck	F	6-1	185	7-14-66	Springfield, IL	WesternIllinois
8	Gerell Elliott	M	5-11	150	5-11-70	Fresno, CA	Fresno State
18	Richard Farrer	F	6-0	175	4-9-71	Albuquerque, NM	New Mexico
5	Jorge Flores	M	5-8	155	2-13-77	Los Angeles, CA	
19	Jimmy Glenn	D	5-11	180	8-9-72	San Antonio, TX	Clemson University
13	Brian Haynes	F	6-0	168	5-7-62	Kansas City, KS	Erskine College
17	Zak Ibsen	D	5-11	175	6-2-72	Santa Clara, CA	UCLA
15	Jason Kreis	M	5-10	155	12-29-72	Durham, NC	Duke
- 11	Lawrence Lozzano	M	6-1	185	7-25-70	Cerritos, CA	
23	Rene Ortiz	D	5-9	155	4-23-69	San Diego, CA	
26	Brandon Pollard	D	5-10	165	10-9-73	Richmond, VA	Virginia
3	Ed Puskarich	D	6-0	160	4-4-62	Hanover Park, IL	SMU
9	Hugo Sanchez	F	5-8	160	7-11-58	Mexico City, Mexico	
7	Mark Santel	M/D	5-10	165	7-5-68	St. Louis, MO	St. Louis University
6	Tom Soehn	D	5-10	175	4-15-66	Parker, CO	Western Illinois
22	Diego Sonora	D	5-8	165	7-17-69	Argentina	
17	Dante Washington	F	5-11	190	11-21-70	Columbia, MD	Radford

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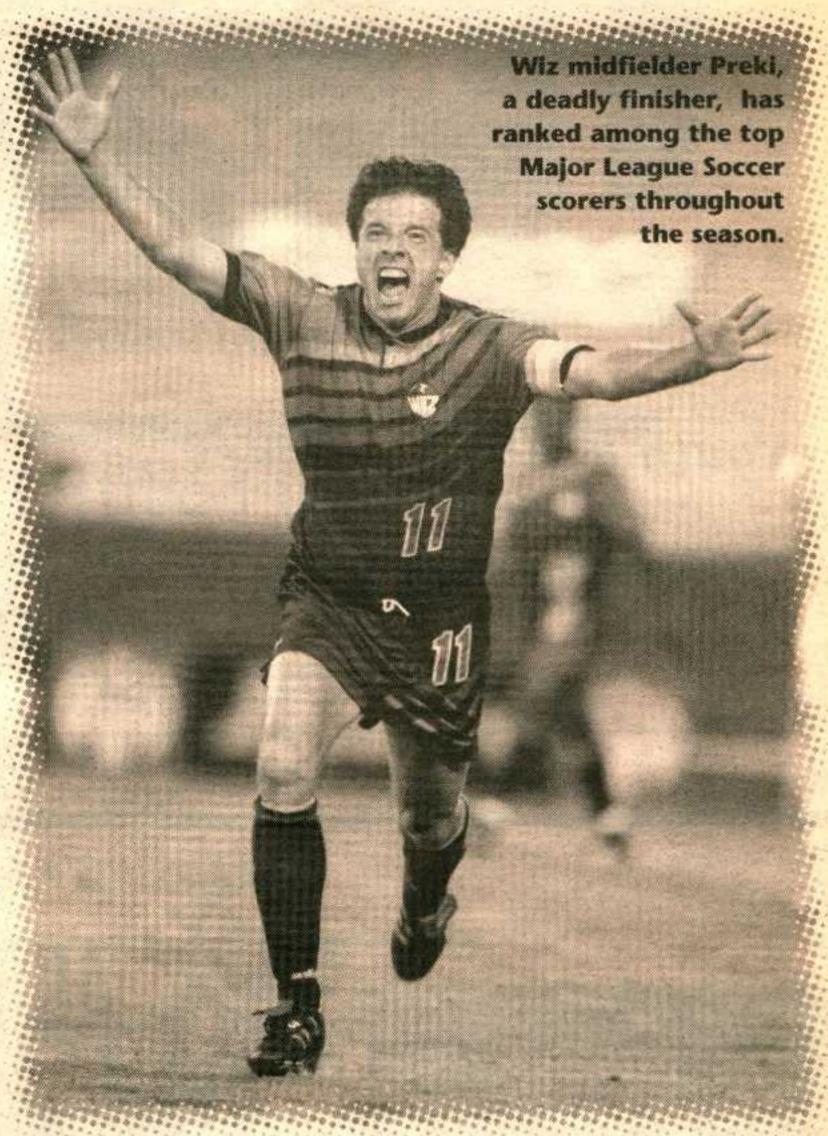
onsidered by many soccer experts to have the most potent offense in Major League Soccer, Kansas City started slow but came on strong after the All-Star break to make its run at the Western Conference title.

Head Coach Ron Newman put together a squad featuring a strong emphasis on attacking, and the Wiz has produced some big numbers this year.

Kansas City's offense is driven by Preki, whose dribbling skills and world-class left foot placed him atop the MLS scoring lead for the majority of the season. A former English Premier League player, Preki is a leading candidate for the league's Honda Most Valuable Player award. Digital Takawira, a star on Zimbabwe's National Team, and Mark Chung each elevated their game during Kansas City's midseason run. A member of the U.S. National Team from 1992-94, Chung's performance earned him a call-up by U.S. Head Coach Steve Sampson for a game against El Salvador on August 30. In addition, Mo Johnston and Frank Klopas are two experienced players whose versatility could be keys to Kansas City's playoff success.

In the back, central defenders
Uche Okafor and Sean Bowers are
steady, and Cameroon international
Samuel Ekeme provides support outside. Mike Sorber, a starter for the
United States in the 1994 World Cup,
is one of the league's top defensive
midfielders while Scott Uderitz is a
fearless ball winner in the midfield.

Goalkeepers Garth Lagerwey and midseason addition Mike Ammann split time in the net during the second half of the season, but look for Newman to go with one keeper during the playoffs.



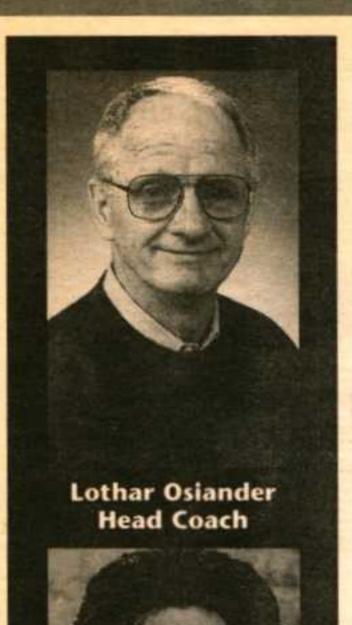
WIZROSTER

Digital Takawira

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	DOB	Hometown	College
00	Mike Ammann	GK	6-3	205	2-8-71	Orange, CA	CS Fullerton
6	Sean Bowers	D	6-2	185	8-12-68	San Diego, CA	Quincy College
13	Mark Chung	M	5-7	155	6-18-70	Pembroke Pines, FL	U. of South Florida
8	Eric Eichmann	F	5-10	170	5-7-65	Margate, FL	Clemson University
15	Samuel Ekeme	D	5-10	165	7-12-68	Kumba, Cameroon	
16	Diego Guttierrez	M	5-7	155	11-3-72	Kansas City , MO	Rockhurst College
26	Mo Johnston	F	5-9	160	4-13-63	Glasgow, Scotland	-
14	Frank Klopas	M/F	5-9	155	9-1-66	Chicago, IL	
17	Kevin Koetters	M	6-0	180	9-11-68	Quincy, IL	Rockhurst College
25	Garth Lagerwey	GK	6-0	195	12-12-72	Elmhurst, IL	Duke
21	Matt McKeon	M/F	6-2	190	9-24-74	St. Louis, MO	St. Louis
20	Uche Okafor	D	6-3	190	8-8-67	Owerri, Nigeria	-
23	Alan Prampin	F	5-7	165	11-30-71	Dallas, TX	SMU
11	Preki	M	5-9	165	6-24-63	Belgrade, Yugoslavia	
2	Tommy Reasoner	D	5-8	153	10-27-67	Garden City, MI	University of Tampa
0	Chris Snitko	GK	6-3	195	1-24-73	Anaheim, CA	UCLA
10	Mike Sorber	M	5-10	165	5-14-71	St. Louis, MO	St. Louis University
12	Vitalis Takawira	F	5-9	145	9-24-72	Harare, Zimbabwe	
4	Scott Uderitz	D	5-10	175	5-17-70	Edmonds, WA	UNLV
3	Paul Wright	M/F	5-9	160	7-29-69	Los Angeles, CA	-

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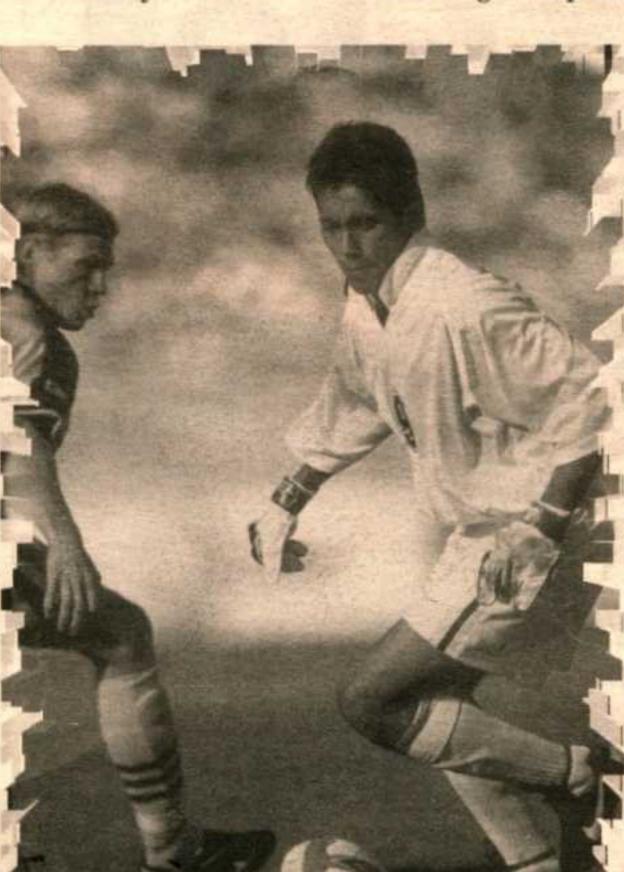


Eduardo Hurtado

ivide the inaugural Major League Soccer season in half when talking about the Los Angeles Galaxy. The Galaxy won a recordsetting

straight games to begin the season, but a rough midseason stretch where Los Angeles lost five straight games has kept fans on the edge of their seats.

Ecuadorian international Eduardo "El Tanque" Hurtado leads the Galaxy attack. The 6-foot-3, 200-pound forward is an imposing physical player who possesses a nice touch goal. around the Hurtado has ranked among the league's leading scorers throughout the inaugural campaign. Two for key reasons Hurtado's success up front have been the play of midfielders Mauricio Cienfuegos Jones. and Cobi Cienfuegos, a key member of El Salvador's National Team, is considered



Goalkeeper Jorge Campos has also seen action at forward for the Galaxy this season.

one of Major League Soccer's elite playmakers. Jones' versatility allows him to play in the midfield or to score goals up front, as evidenced by his hat trick

at Tampa Bay on July 27. Mexican National Team

goalkeeper Jorge Campos is the leader of the Galaxy defense. Campos, whose acrobatic style of play and colorful apparel have made him one of the world's most famous goalkeepers, has ranked among the MLS leaders in goals against average and wins throughout the Campos can season. attribute some of his statistical success to central defenders Dan Calichman and Robin Fraser. Calichman, a veteran of Japan's famed J-League, and Fraser, a physical player who brings great composure to Los Angeles' back line, provide the Galaxy with one necessary ingredient needed to win a championship - an experienced defense.

Despite the club's midseason slump, Los Angeles features a lineup that boasts some of the league's top players, making the Galaxy one of the favorites to win MLS Cup '96.

GALAXYROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	DOB	Hometown	College
14	Chris Armas	M	5-7	150	8-27-72	Brentwood, NY	Adelphi
6	Dan Calichman	D	6-0	180	2-21-68	Huntington Station, NY	Williams College
9	Jorge Campos	GK/F	5-6	150	10-15-66	Acapulco, Mexico	- 1.11
10	Mauricio Cienfuegos	M	5-6	143	2-12-68	San Salvador, El Salvador	
4	Robin Fraser	D	6-1	175	12-17-66	Denver, CO	Florida International University
21	John Garvey	F	5-10	170	3-26-69	Tampa, FL	University of Maryland
29	Eduardo Hurtado	F	6-3	200	1-12-69	Esmeraldas, Ecuador	
12	Guillermo Jara	F	5-8	145	10-20-73	Sacramento, CA	San Diego
13	Cobi Jones	M	5-7	145	6-16-70	Westlake Village, CA	UCLA
11	Harut Karapetyan	F	5-9	165	4-7-72	Van Nuys, CA	
1	David Kramer	GK	6-3	185	8-1-72	Cupertino, CA	Fresno State
15	Manny Motajo	D	6-0	156	2-13-70	Green Belt, MD	Howard
19	Arash Noamouz	M	6-0	170	6-6-67	Houston, TX	Polytechnic of Tehran
20	Curt Onalfo	D	6-2	185	11-19-69	Ridgefield, CT	University of Virginia
00	John Pascarella	GK	5-11	178	7-20-96	Vineland, NJ	Penn St.
5	Jorge Salcedo	M	6-1	175	9-27-72	Cerritos, CA	UCLA
3	Mark Semioli	D	6-0	175	3-20-68	Palo Aito, CA	Stanford
7	Andrew Shue	M	5-8	150	2-20-67	Los Angeles, CA	Dartmouth
18	Greg Vanney	M	5-11	169	6-11-74	Tempe, AZ	UCLA
17	Jose Vasquez	F	6-0	174	3-20-69	Santa Ana, CA	Rancho Santiago
8	Brad Wilson	M	5-10	160	11-19-72	El Toro, CA	Cal-State Fullerton









The San Jose Clash features a talented group of attacking players, led by U.S. National Team all-time leading scorer Eric Wynalda, who when on his game, can take over matches.

Paul Bravo has stepped up as one of the team's top scorers, taking some heat off of Wynalda, and the early season signing of Mexican international Missael Espinoza added a much needed dimension to the Clash attack. Espinoza and Bravo, both able to play in the midfield, give San Jose a number of attacking combinations that have been tough to contain.

The Clash's two Nigerian internationals, Ben Iroha and Michael Emenalo, while hampered by injuries, have both given solid contributions while showing flair with the ball and intensity on defense, and if healthy, could be a major factor in the playoffs. Both have played well in the back and in midfield.

Consistency and ball-winning are staples for the fullback line of 6-foot-3 John Doyle, Troy Dayak and Tim Martin, all of whom have played almost every game this season. In addition, the physical play of Oscar Draguicevich adds muscle to the defense.

Jeff Baicher's hustling style has made him a steady contributor in both the midfield and at forward, while the skillful Jorge Rodas has come on in the latter half of the season. Young Eddie Lewis has been a surprise at outside midfield since Paul Holocher went down with a season-ending knee injury.

In goal, Tom Liner started the season, picking up the first MLS shutout in the inaugural game, but



Clever forward Eric Wynalda has caused problems all season for Major League Soccer defenses.

lost his job to Dave Salzwedel during a midseason stretch. Liner, who regained his job and has made a number of spectacular saves for San Jose late in the year, is expected to start in the nets during the playoffs.

CLASHROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	DOB	Hometown	College
4	Rafael Amaya	D	5-10	170	9-21-67	Bogota, Colombia	Long Island University
8	Jeff Baicher	F/M	5-10	160	11-16-68	Sunnyvale, CA	Santa Clara
9	Paul Bravo	M	6-0	175	7-19-68	San Jose, CA	Santa Clara
15	Altimont Butler	M	5-10	158	7-21-68	Brooklyn, NY	New Hampshire
22	Ramiro Corrales	D	6-0	160	3-12-77	Salinas, CA	-
12	Troy Dayak	D	5-11	175	1-21-71	Livermore, CA	U. of San Francisco
3	John Doyle	D	6-3	185	4-16-66	Fremont, CA	U. of San Francisco
2	Oscar Draguicevich	D	6-1	180	8-19-69	Dallas, TX	North Texas
5	Michael Emenalo	D/M	6-0	170	7-14-65	Aba, Nigeria	Boston University
7	Missael Espinoza	M/F	5-8	159	4-12-65	Guadalajara, Mexico	
14	Paul Holocher	M	5-10	160	5-24-69	Seaside, CA	Santa Clara
19	Tayt lanni	D	5-6	160	12-6-71	Lodi, CA	UCLA
6	Ben Iroha	M/D	5-8	155	11-29-69	Aba, Nigeria	_
21	Eddle Lewis	F	5-10	180	5-17-74	Cerritos, CA	UCLA
1	Tom Liner	GK	6-0	183	11-27-70	San Carlos, CA	Chico State
17	Tim Martin	D	5-11	165	4-12-67	San Jose	Fresno State
23	Jorge Rodas	M	5-6	164	10-7-71	Guatamala City	-
1	Dave Salzwedel	GK	6-1	180	6-15-68	Thousand Oaks, CA	Cal Lutheran
11	Eric Wynalda	F	6-1	172	6-9-69	Westlake Village, CA	San Diego State





MLS PLAYERS EYEING POSTSEASON AWARDS

Major League Soccer's finest will gather in Boston, Massachusetts on October 19 for the announcement of the 1996 MLS year-end awards. A gala awards dinner will be held in downtown Boston honoring the league's elite players and top coach from the inaugural season. Top scorers, tough defenders and talented rookies are just a few of the MLS players who will attend the awards dinner.

Look for a complete review of the MLS year-end awards in your local newspaper on Sunday, October 20, or in USA Today on Monday, October 21. Fans are also invited to check out the MLS official world wide web site at www.MLSNET.com for a detailed look at each award winner. The following is a brief overview of Major League Soccer's 1996 year-end awards:

HONDA

HONDA MOST VALUABLE PLAYER

Awarded to the player judged to be the most valuable to his team during the regular season, the Honda MVP award winner will be a player whose presence made the biggest impact on his team's overall play during the regular season. The league's most valuable player may be a scorer, rugged defender or acrobatic goalkeeper. The Honda Most Valuable Player will be a player who performed at a high level for his team, game after game. Among the notable players expected to be among the top votegetters are Kansas City's Preki, Dallas' Leonel Alvarez, Tampa Bay's Roy Lassiter and the MetroStars' Roberto Donadoni. Members of the media will vote for the Honda Most Valuable Player award.



BIC TOUGH DEFENDER OF THE YEAR

The Bic Tough Defender of the Year will be awarded to the player judged to be the

best defender during the regular season. Since Major League Soccer will have a separate award for goalkeepers, only field players will be eligible for the Bic Tough Defender of the Year. New England's Alexi Lalas, San Jose's John Doyle and Tampa Bay's Cle Kooiman the among many defenders who could win this defensive MLS head award. coaches and one assistant coach from each team will vote on this award.

SOCCER GOALKEEPER OF THE YEAR

Major League Soccer's top netminder will be awarded for his outstanding play with the MLS Goalkeeper of the Year trophy. This award will be given to the player judged to be the best all-around goalkeeper during the

regular season. MLS head coaches and one assistant coach from each team will submit their votes after evaluating goalkeepers on a number of areas, including technical skill, statistical ranking and overall leadership. Look for Los Angeles' Jorge Campos, Tampa Bay's Mark Dougherty, Dallas' Mark Dodd and the MetroStars' Tony Meola to receive their share of votes.



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BUDWEISER SCORING CHAMPION

Budweiser will honor Major League Soccer's top scorer with the Budweiser Scoring Champion trophy, an annual award given to the player who has the highest point total in MLS. Similar to the National Hockey League, points are awarded by com-



bining goals and assists. MLS awards two points for a goal and one point for an assist. Top scorers heading into the month of September included Kansas City's Preki, Tampa Bay's Roy Lassiter, Los Angeles' Eduardo Hurtado and D.C. United's Raul Diaz Arce.



BANDAI ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

The Bandai Rookie of the Year will be awarded to the player judged to be the best young player who has no prior professional soccer playing experience and/or has completed his college or high school eligibility within the last year. Notable candidates include the MetroStars Miles Joseph and Tampa Bay's Steve Ralston. MLS head coaches and one assistant coach from each team will vote on this award.

MOST VALUABLE PLAYER OF MLS CUP '96

A game-winning goal, a big save or a clever assist could be the deciding factor when the MLS Cup '96 champion is crowned on October 20. Look for one player on the winning team to stand out and capture the MLS Cup '96 MVP award. Members of the media will vote on the player judged to be the best overall talent at MLS Cup. The media will select this award winner from players competing in Major League Soccer's championship game.



MASTERCARD GOAL OF THE YEAR

Major League Soccer fans will have the opportunity to select the MasterCard Goal of the Year, an annual award given to the player whose goal is judged to be the best overall goal during the regular season. The voting process for the MasterCard Goal of the Year will consist of a unique combination of the media and MLS fans. Initially, members of the media will receive a videotape of the league's top 20 goals. The media will narrow the top 20 goals down to the league's top three goals. Fans will be able to view the top three goals by watching MLS playoff games on ESPN and calling a toll-free telephone number to submit their vote. In addition, fans will be able to view the goal and submit their vote on the MLS world wide web site at www.MLSNET.com

The final 20 goals for the MasterCard Goal of the Year were narrowed down based on the player's spectacular finish, individual brilliance, creativity along with the build-up and importance of the goal. MLS



San Jose's John Doyle should receive strong consideration for the BIC Tough Defender of the Year.

players such as Columbus' Brian McBride, San Jose's Eric Wynalda and Dallas' Hugo Sanchez have all scored their share of outstanding goals and are expected to contend for this award.



AT&T BEST 11

The AT&T Best 11 will feature the top players from each position, compiling a lineup of world-class players from the league's two conferences. Major League Soccer head coaches and one assistant from each team will vote on this talented lineup. Similar to the National Football League's All-Pro

team, the AT&T Best 11 will feature a first and second team.

MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER COACH OF THE YEAR

Major League Soccer will honor the league's top coach with the MLS Coach of the Year award, an annual award given to the coach judged to have made the greatest contribution to his team during the regular season. Members of the media will vote on the MLS Coach of the Year.

In addition to the nine MLS leaguewide awards, each MLS team will honor its own Honda Most Valuable Player, Budweiser Scoring Champion and BIC Tough Defensive Player of the Year.



"Snickers Satisfies" in Latest Soccer Sponsorship

By Steve Vanderpool

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The multi-year agreement provides SNICKERS with incorporation into all youth programs throughout the 10-team league. In addition, SNICKERS is the uniform sponsor of the Columbus Crew, where the team -- led by U.S. National Team member Brian McBride and South African star Doctor Khumalo -- wears uniforms featuring the SNICKERS logo. Since SNICKERS came aboard, the Crew is undefeated (as of Aug. 29) and put itself in the thick of the Eastern Conference playoff race.

"Signing up with Major League Soccer just further expands our portfolio in the sport of soccer," said Pat D'Amato, M&M/MARS spokesperson. "SNICKERS is very committed to encouraging athletic excellence and helping young people aspire to their full potential. SNICKERS is our largest selling item and, like soccer, it is enjoyed around the world."

"SNICKERS enthusiastic support of soccer in the United States and throughout the world is well-documented," said MLS Commissioner Doug Logan. "Few companies enjoy the impressive brand identification with a sport that SNICKERS does with soccer. We are excited to have them as part of the MLS corporate family."

In addition to field signate of the ball boys and girls in each MLS city. SNICKERS will be also heavily involved in MLS youth programs and Major League Soccer tional Camps, and will be a sponsorial sor of "Soccer Celebration" at the Texas State Fair. SNICKERS will soon unveil its extensive plans to ovides promote its MLS sponsorto all ship in 1997.

"SNICKERS and the sport of soccer have been synonymous," said Randy Bernstein, MLS Executive Vice President. "Nobody has been involved with the sport at as many different levels as SNICKERS. We look forward to working with them to reach the varied demographics of MLS fans."

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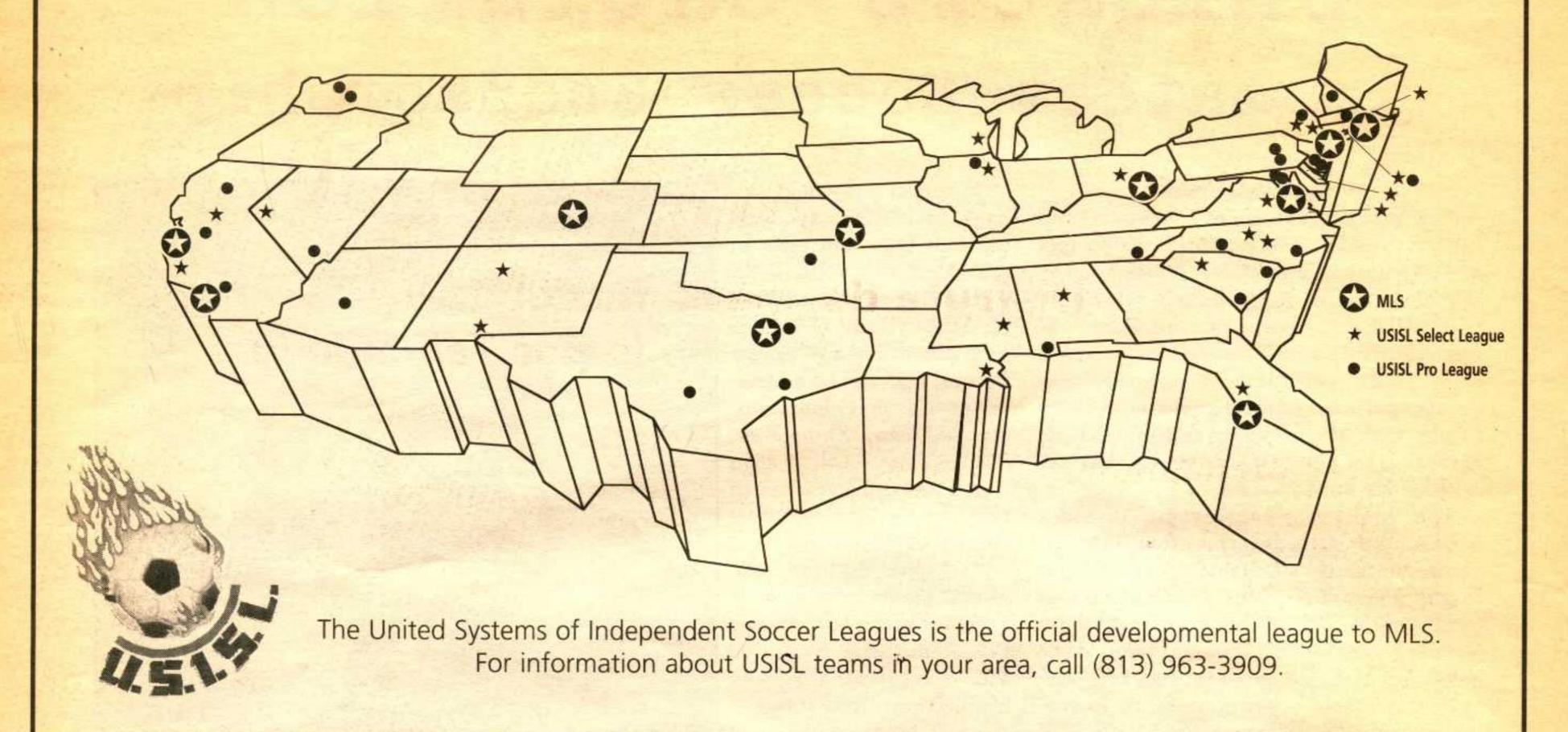
Pete Marino and the Columbus Crew feature the Snickers logo on the club's uniform.



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	San Jose 2	at	New England	1	16,334		THURSDAY, JU Columbus	1	at	Tampa Bay	4	18,761
	SUNDAY, MAY 5 Wash. D.C. 1	at	Los Angeles	3	20,471		Wash. D.C (Dallas win		at out 3-1)	Dallas	2	16,177
	Columbus 0 (Dallas wins shootout 3	at 3-1)	Dallas	1	35,250		MetroStars New Engla		at at	Colorado Los Angeles	2	20,117 62,703
	Kansas City 0	at	Colorado	4	11,070		SATURDAY, JUI	LY 6			100	
	WEDNESDAY, MAY 8 Kansas City 0	at	Tampa Bay	2	7.025		Los Angele New Engla		at at	Kansas City Sar Jose	3	17,921 18,813
	The state of the s	at	San Jose	3	12,972		(New Engla		s shootou	1 4-3)		
	Land and the second sec	at	Colorado	1	9,171		SUNDAY, JULY Dallas	1	at	Wash. D.C.	6	11,244
	Marie Walter and Marie and	at at	Columbus Kansas City	3	24,750 17,706		Columbus WEDNESDAY,	IULY 10	at	Colorado	2	7,911
	SUNDAY, MAY 12 MetroStars 2	at	Wash, D.C.	1	14,722		Dallas Colorado	2	at	MetroStars Kansas City	3 2	17,416 8,062
	(MetroStars win shoots	out 2-	1)				THURSDAY, JU	LY 11	CAL	ransas ony		
	Los Angeles 2 WEDNESDAY, MAY 15	at	San Jose	1	31,728	ica-	New Engla (New Engla		A CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF TH	Columbus t 3-0)	1	13,751
	- Carlotte Britania	at	Wash. D.C.	5	7,422	7	FRIDAY, JULY 1			Wash, D.C.		20,014
	THURSDAY, MAY 16 Colorado 0	at	MetroStars	3	14,121		Tampa Bay SUNDAY, JULY	1-17) at	vvasii, D.C.		20,014
	SATURDAY, MAY 18 San Jose 2	at	Tampa Bay	3	12,047		MLS All-Sta MLS East			at Giants Stad MLS West	ium 2	78,416
	Wash. D.C. 2	at	Dallas	3	23,251		Brazil	2		FIFA World Sta	irs 1	78,416
		at	New England	2	20,131		Los Angele	s 2	at	Dallas	5	17,665
		at at	Columbus Los Angeles	2	20,184 25,231		San Jose THURSDAY, JU	1V 18	2 at	Colorado	1	6,117
	WEDNESDAY, MAY 22 MetroStars 1	at	Kansas City	2	8,916		Kansas Cit	y 1	at	Tampa Bay	2	7,520
	THURSDAY, MAY 23	at	Natisas City	-	0,810		Wash, D.C		at	New England	2	18,347
	THE RESERVE AND ADDRESS OF THE PARTY OF THE	at	Dallas	0	11,457		San Jose Dallas	4 2		Columbus Kansas City	3	18,156 11,592
		at	New England	3	14,323		SUNDAY, JULY	21		· Valvania in processor · ·		
	(New England wins shi SUNDAY, MAY 26	ootou	it 1-0)			13	Tampa Bay MetroStars		191431	Colorado Los Angeles	3	6,320 17,137
	Columbus 2	at	Los Angeles	3	15,231		WEDNESDAY, J New Engla			Colorado	2	15,096
		at	Colorado	2	10,971		MetroStars	1	at	San Jose	0	6,236
	Kansas City 1 THURSDAY, MAY 30	at	San Jose	2	10,299		THURSDAY, JU Tampa Bay		at	Columbus	1	12,832
	Wash. D.C. 2	at	MetroStars	1	25,322		SATURDAY, JUI			Tomas Day		10 101
	SATURDAY, JUNE 1 Los Angeles 2	at	Tampa Bay	1	19,717		Los Angele Colorado	0) at	Tampa Bay Dallas	2	13,131 11,555
	New England 1	at at	Kansas City San Jose	2	17,808 16,077		New Engla		at	Kansas City	4	9,081
	(San Jose wins shooto				10,011		San Jose Columbus	. 1	at at	MetroStars Wash, D.C.	4 2	21,212
	SUNDAY, JUNE 2 MetroStars 1	at	Dallas	0	10,610		WEDNESDAY,	ULY 31		vvasti. D.C.	-	11,170
		at show	Colorado	2	8,617		San Jose Kansas Cit	0) at	New England Wash, D.C.	2 2	13,190 9,457
	WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5		The state of the s				Dallas	2	at	Columbus	1	12,871
		at at	Wash. D.C. Kansas City	3	15,845 9,551	1 2	Los Angele	8 3	at	Colorado	2	9,310
	THURSDAY, JUNE 6	at	New England	2	20.226		(Los Angel			4-3)		
	Los Angeles 3 (Los Angeles wins sho	at otout	New England 3-2)	2	20,236		MetroStars	1	at	New England	2	20,162
	SATURDAY, JUNE 8 Kansas City 4	at	Columbus	3	15,526		· Colorado	and wins	s shootou at	t 3-2) Tampa Bay	3	6,281
	(Kansas City wins sho			2	7,388		SUNDAY, AUG Kansas Cit		at	Wash, D.C.	2	12,356
	San Jose 1	at	Dallas	4	25,187		Columbus	2	at at	Los Angeles	ī	15,089
	SUNDAY, JUNE 9 Los Angeles 4	at	MetroStars	0	53,250		(Columbus WEDNESDAY,	AUGUST	Т7			
	SATURDAY, JUNE 15 Kansas City 1	at	New England	2	21,407		Wash, D.C Kansas Cit	. 3	at	Tampa Bay Colorado	1 4	6,476 6,013
	(New England wins shi	at ootou		5	21,407			T)				
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THURSDAY, AUGUST 8 New England 0	at Los Angeles	1 10.251
SATURDAY, AUGUST 10 Wash, D.C. 2	at Columbus	3 18,587
Tampa Bay 1	at Dallas	2 12,503
SUNDAY, AUGUST 11 Los Angeles 2	at Kansas City	3 13,362
(Kansas City wins sho MetroStars 2	octout 3-1) at Colorado	0 8.880
New England 1	at San Jose	6 12,099
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1 New England 0	at MetroStars	4 20,711
Columbus wins shoo	at Dallas tout 3-2)	2 7,338
THURSDAY, AUGUST 15 San Jose 1	at Kansas City	4 8,250
FRIDAY, AUGUST 16	at Kansas Ony	4 0,250
Colorado 0 SATURDAY, AUGUST 17	at New England	2 14,103
MetroStars 1	at Tampa Bay	3 11,778
Sunday, AUGUST 18 San Jose 0	at Columbus	2 16,629
Los Angeles 1 WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2	at Wash, D.C.	2 24,536
Wash. D.C. 3	at MetroStars	2 13,078
Tampa Bay 2 Kansas City 2	at New England at Los Angeles	4 18,764 1 20,416
(Kansas City wins sho THURSDAY, AUGUST 22	ootout 5-4)	
Dallas 0 (San Jose wins shoot	at San Jose	1 13,359
SATURDAY, AUGUST 24	out 3-2)	
Kansas City 1	at Columbus	2 20,246
SUNDAY, AUGUST 25 Tampa Bay 0	at Wash. D.C.	3 15,804
Colorado 0 Dallas 3	at San Jose at Los Angeles	1 12,369 2 19,279
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20 Los Angeles 0	8 at Columbus	2 16,747
THURSDAY, AUGUST 29	at Columbus	2 10,747
Wash. D.C. 2 SATURDAY, AUGUST 31	at Colorado	1 6,368
New England 1	at Tampa Bay	3 8,128
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 MetroStars 2	at Kansas City	3 11,139
(Kansas City wins sho Los Angeles 2	ootout 3-1) at San Jose	1 26,184
(Los Angeles wins she		
Tampa Bay 2	at MetroStars	0 16,102
Dallas 1 THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER	at New England	2 12,933
Colorado 1 (Colorado wins shoote	at Los Angeles out 2-1)	0 8,561
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 MetroStars 2	at Wash, D.C.	1 8.053
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER		1 8,053
New England 2 Columbus 5	at Dallas at Kansas City	0 18,542 1 12,141
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8	1077 - 100 till 1 10 till 1	
San Jose 3 TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10		1 8,990
Los Angeles at	MetroStars	7:30 pm
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBE Dallas at		10:30 pm
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER Tampa Bay at		7:30 pm ==ph)
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER Wash. D.C. at	14	5:00 pm
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15		The state of the s
MetroStars at San Jose at	Columbus Los Angeles	3:00 pm IINIVISION 7:30 pm
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 New England at		7:30 pm
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBE	R 18	- Charles Control
Columbus at Tampa Bay at		7:30 pm 10:30 pm
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER Los Angeles at	19 Dallas	7:30 pm *==ph
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER	21	
Columbus at Colorado at	Wash. D.C.	7:30 pm 7:30 pm
MetroStars at San Jose at		7:30 pm 8:30 pm
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22	N ₁	
Dallas at	Los Angeles	4:00 pm IINIVISIAN
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The top four teams in each conference will qualify for the playoffs. The playoffs are scheduled to begin September 25-26. The MLS Championship Game will be held October 20 at Foxboro Stadium.

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