ROWDIES NEWS

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THIS FRIDAY HOME DEBUT

This Friday, February 3 the Tampa Bay Rowdies will face the Washington Diplomats in a rubber game at 8:00 p.m. in the Bayfront Center. After a weekend of exciting and stellar play by the Rowdies in Washington, fans can expect to see a fresh but seasoned squad Friday evening. Saturday evening the Rowdies fell to the Diplomats in a first ever indoor overtime that ended three minutes into sudden death with a goal by Sonny Askew. Final score - 7-6. Sunday afternoon the Rowdies showed that they had indeed taken to indoor play as they tromped all over the Dips in an 11-3 rout. This Friday's match will be the home debut of new Head Coach Gordon Jago and his Rowdie squad of indoor giants.

SHAKY START - ADMIRABLE FINISH

After giving up three goals in the first 4:16 minutes of their first indoor match, the Rowdies seemed to come to grips with the fact that they were playing indoor soccer and do just that - play hard, aggressive, successful soccer. The three goals, all by Art Welch, left the Rowdies down 3-1 at the end of the first period. But with a stellar performance from Derek Smethurst and increasing confidence on the part of goalie Winston DuBose, the Rowdies battled their way to a tie in the third quarter and even pulled ahead for a brief period when Fink scored at 11:23. But ex-Rowdie Randy Garber had other plans for Tampa. His hat trick goal at 15:30 tied it up and forced overtime upon the two teams. Sonny Askew's deciding goal at 3:04 into extra time took the win from the Rowdies, but not the credit they deserved for an admirable fight back from a very shaky start.

SUNDAY'S ROUT TIES INDOOR RECORD

The eight point spread that the Rowdies racked up Sunday afternoon against the Diplomats tied an NASL indoor record set in 1975 when the Rowdies beat the Cosmos 13-5 in the semi-finals. Controlling the game from the beginning to the end the Rowdies even savored the unheard of hopes of a shutout going into the third period 8-0. According to Coach Gordon Jago, in spite of excellent offensive work, the difference was defensive tactics. And what a difference it made. The Rowdies played a tight completely controlled game.

SMETHURST - THE PLAYER OF THE WEEK(END)

There were many standouts in this past weekend's exemplary performance of the Rowdies, but one veteran Rowdie deserves special mention. Derek Smethurst scored the four goals that nearly gave the Rowdies a win Saturday night and assisted on the goal that put them ahead for a time. In Sunday's rout he assisted on one goal to add another point to his leading position in indoor scoring. He now leads the Rowdies in indoor scoring with 10 points for the season and 30 in all time indoor scoring. Coming back from an injury suffered with the Tampa Bay Bucs, the gangly striker is extremely fit according to team physician John Kauzlarich. In a series of endurance, speed and agility

tests, Derek scored as well or better than ever before. "He's never been fitter." says Kazlarich. Coach Jago has nothing but praise for the senior player and reports he has been leaning heavily upon Smethurst's experience in both indoor soccer and the Rowdies to aid him in his new job.

OTHER STARS IN THE ROWDIES GALAXY

Two Rowdies scored their first hat tricks Sunday afternoon at the D.C. Armory Joe Fink and Farrukh Quraishi. Joe Fink is second in indoor scoring with nine points - only one behind leader Derek Smethurst. He has 4 goals and 1 assist. Farrukh Quraishi is third in scoring with eight points - 3 goals and 2 assists, one on Saturday and one on Sunday. Winston DuBose, playing his first indoor game Saturday night, displayed courage, adaptability (it took a while to get used to that tiny penalty box and all those rebounds) and talen DuBose went straight to Washington D.C. from England where he's been training for 5 months with various English sides - finally Cambridge City of the Southern League. His new confidence and skill could put him in contention for a starting position in goal this season.

COMMENT FROM THE COACH

"This weekend was an experiment for me and I think it will be invaluable in preparation for the team for the rest of the season. We should have taken both matches but on Sunday we got exactly what we deserved. We worked hard for one another and we made it look easy. I couldn't be happier."

COLLEGE DRAFT CHOICES TO JOIN ROWDIES

The Rowdies second round draft choices Dave Andrzejewski and Dan Flynn will join the Rowdies this week for practice and a jab at indoor soccer. Andrzejewski, the big (6'2" - 190 lbs.) defender from the University of Maryland will fly into Tampa Tuesday night, start practice with the Rowdies Wednesday and stay for at least a week. Dan Flynn, co-captain of the St. Louis Billiken squad will arrive in Tampa Thursday and stay through the Tulsa game.

'78 ROWDIES SELECTED - NOW PREPARING TO DAZZLE

Nearly 200 women turned out Saturday at Busch Gardens to try out for the '78 squad of the Wowdies. Thirty of those were selected to dance and help with press this upcoming season. They will be introduced in a dance debut Sunday, February 12 at Busch Gardens, the Dark Continent at 2:00 p.m.

ENTIRE ROWDIES SQUAD RUNNING FOR FUN

Monday, February 13 at the Gasparilla Distance Classic the entire Rowdies indoor squad will be running. The only Rowdie that will be challenging the 9 mile run is Farrukh Quraishi and Vice President of Marketing and Sales Marty Rotberg. But everybody - even goalies and Coach Jago have promised to finish the run for fun. Vice President Francisco Marcos is running for fun, too. On that one - the fun may be in the viewing though. The Tampa Bay Rowdies are participating in the hopes of promoting physical well being and community involvement.

SURPRISE FOR THE FANNIES

The Tampa Bay Rowdies and the Dark Continent, Busch Gardens are planning a special surprise for the Fannies in the first two indoor games. Just a hint.. save your ticket stubs!

TAMPA BAY ROWDIES INDOOR ROSTER - 1978

NO.	NAME	POSITION	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	AGE	CITIZEN
1	Paul Hammond	GK	6-1	190	24	England
2	Farrukh Quraishi	DEF	5-9	145	26	Iran
4	Arsene Auguste	DEF	6-2	185	26	Haiti
6	Mike Connell	DEF	6-0	150	21	South Africa
7	Steve Wegerle	FWD	5-10	145	24	South Africa
8	Wes McLeod	MID	5-8	149	20	Canada
9	Adrian Alston	FWD	6-0	170	27	South Africa
10	Rodney Marsh	MID	6-1	180	33	England
12	Derek Smethurst	FWD	6-1	175	30	South Africa
14	Joe Fink	FWD	6-0	160	26	USA
15	Mark Lindsay	MID	5-8	155	22	England
17	Kevin Eagan	DEF	6-3	175	23	USA
18	Winston DuBose	GK	6-2	180	22	USA
19	Frantz St. Lot	DEF	5-8	155	26	USA
20	Boris Bandov	FWD	5-10	175	25	USA
23	Tony Crudo	MID	6-0	160	18	USA
	Dave Andrzejewski	DEF	6-2	190	22	USA
	Dan Flynn	DEF	6-0	175	22	USA

ROWDIES INDOOR STATISTICS

	GP	SHOTS	GOALS	ASSISTS	PTS	PM
ALSTON, Adrian	1	4	1	0	2	2
AUGUSTE, Arsene	2	6	0	0	0	4
BANDOV, Boris	1	4	0	1	1	0
CONNELL, Mike	2	3	0	0	0	0
CRUDO, Tony	2	6	1	1	3	0
DUBOSE, Winston	2	0	0	0	0	0
EAGAN, Kevin	2	7	0	1	1	0
FINK, Joe	2	17	4	1	9	0
MARSH, Rodney	2	16	2	2	6	0
QURAISHI, Farrukh	2	19	3	2	8	0
ST LOT, Frantz	2	11	1	0	2	0
SMETHURST, Derek	2	24	4	2	10	0
WEGERLE, Steve	2	11	1	2	4	0
TOTAL	2	128	17	12	46	6
OPPONENTS TOTAL	2	87	10	9	29	10

GOALKEEPERS	GP	SV	GA	AVG
DUBOSE, Winston	2	37	10	4.88
TOTAL	2	37	10	4.88
OPPONENTS TOTAL	2	43	17	8.29

POWER PLAY EFFICIENCY	
ROWDIES	2-4
OPPONENTS	2-2

SCORING BY PERIODS	1	2	3	O.T.	S.D.	TOTAL
ROWDIES	3	9	5	0	-	17
OPPONENTS	3	2	4	1	-	10

ROWDIES' RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENTS	SCORE	ATTENDANCE	SCORERS
Sat. 2/28/78	@Washington	6-7(OT)(L)	3,662	Smethurst 4(Bandov, Marsh, Quraishi),Alston(Fink),Fink (Smethurst, Wegerle).
Sun. 2/29/78	@Washington	11-3 (W)	3,111	Quraishi 3 (Crudo), Fink 3 (Smethurst, Quraishi), Mars (Eagan), Wegerle, St.Lot (Wegerle), Crudo (Marsh).

GAMES TO COME

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	PLACE
Fri. 2/3/78	WASHINGTON	8.PM	Bayfront
Sat. 2/11/78	TULSA	8.PM	Bayfront
Tue. 2/14/78	@Tulsa	8.PM	TULSA
Sat. 2/18/78	DALLAS	8.PM	Bayfront
Fri. 3/10/78	MINNESOTA	8.PM	Bayfront

Eleven-goal barrage tires Rowdies past Dips

Jago pleased with first look, 6-C

By MIKE TIERNEY
St. Petersburg Times Staff Writer

WASHINGTON — The Washington Diplomats ran out of goalkeepers, so the Tampa Bay Rowdies ran in a near team-record number of goals Sunday for an 11-3 indoor soccer romp.

Really, it wasn't that close. The Rowdies run up an 8-0 lead after two periods, safely tucking away victory No. 1 for new coach Gordon Jago and making a real estate broker named Kurt Kuykendall wish he'd never shown up at the D.C. Armory.

"I said we had more class (ability) last night than they did," Jago said, referring to a statement made following Saturday's 7-6 overtime setback to the Dips.

"It showed today. The lads put it right. I'm very pleased."

Kuykendall, who once made a living as a goalkeeper in the North American Soccer League, made other Rowdies pleased with his presence. Kuykendall last played with the Cosmos in 1976, and he is remembered in Tampa Bay for allowing five goals. Only thing is, it was an outdoors match.

Kuykendall was a second-period replacement Sunday for injured Dips' starter Eric Martin. Martin was a replacement for the chap originally scheduled to start, injured Bob Stetler.

When the Rowdies' fourth goal whizzed by him, Martin fell down on the artificial grass. He didn't get up. Dips stand-in coach Jim Steele, a replacement for absent Gordon Bradley, trotted over to Dips' team officials saying, "I'll play keeper if you want."

But the hierarchy said to insert Kurt. Nobody knew Kuykendall was even there until he answered a page from the P.A. announcer.

The Rowdies blitzed him for seven more goals. In truth, though, Kuykendall played admirably.

"When you're feeling good," said Joe Fink, "it doesn't matter who's in goal."

Fink was feeling more than good. A little-used sub last outdoors season, he poured in three goals, an output that was matched by another seldom-seen player at Tampa Stadium a year ago, Farrukh Quraishi.

In fact, only three goals were claimed by customary Rowdie starters. Steve Wegerle tallied one early, and Rodney Marsh tapped in two late. The others were taken by teen amateur Tony Crudo and Frantz St. Lot.

Quraishi explained the mighty showing of the backups, who enjoy more playing time indoors because of the free substitution.

"Everybody's playing for a place on this team. We all have to impress the new coach."

The new coach was impressed. If there was one complaint, it was that Washington averted a shutout — which would have been only the second ever under a roof in the NASL.

"The whole side's disappointed. We lost it," moaned Rowdie keeper Winston DuBose, who registered humanurably overnight from his nasty introduction to the outdoor game.

Actually it was Tampa Bay that headed for a disaster in the nets. DuBose was to have shared duties with Paul Hammond, but Hammond stayed home. So DuBose drew upon a recent experience in England, where he played a match at 11 one morning, drove 80 miles and played another at 7:30 that night.

"Not tired a bit," he laughed.

The Dips were blanked until Art Welsh hammered a DuBose save into the goal with 2:52 gone in the final period. Randy Garber beat DuBose with less than five minutes left, then player-coach Steele capitalized on a one-man Rowdie shortage (Arsene Auguste was off for a penalty) for the Dips' third goal.

Saturday night, a Washington tally in the same situation enabled the home team to send the match into sudden death. One day later, it merely rallied the Dips to within 10-3.

Then, with 51 seconds left to the end, Marsh flipped in the final goal, giving Tampa Bay its second highest total ever, two goals short of its 13-5 victory over New York in March of 1975. Shortly after, the Rowdies were headed home, where they will play the Dips Friday at the Bayfront Center Arena.

And Kurt Kuykendall was headed back to his desk job, accompanied by an unkind memory and a paycheck from the Dips for about $50.

Tampa Bay	2	6	3—11
Washington	0	0	3— 3

1. Tampa Bay, Crudo (Marsh) 10:45; 2. Tampa Bay, Fink (Steele) 14:...; 3. Tampa Bay, Wegerle (Hanson) 14:...; 4. Tampa Bay, Fink (Quraishi) 17:15; 5. Tampa Bay, Quraishi (Crudo) 20:20; 6. Tampa Bay, St. Lot (Wegerle) 31:53; 7. Tampa Bay, Quraishi (unassisted) 36:20; 8. Tampa Bay, Fink (unassisted) 37:57. Penalties — Washington Steele (conduct), Garber (conduct).

9. Tampa Bay, Quraishi (unassisted) 40:56; 10. Washington, Welsh (unassisted) 42:52; 11. Tampa Bay, Marsh (unassisted) 46:21; 12. Washington, Garber (Thomas) 55:47; 13. Washington, Steele (Welsh) 57:34; 14. Tampa Bay, Marsh (Rogers) 59:09. Penalties — Tampa Bay: Auguste (conduct); Washington: Pringle (ten bath), Steele (conduct), Garber (conduct).

Shots on goal

Tampa Bay	7	21	14—35
Washington	8	5	7—20

Saves: Tampa Bay, DuBose 17; Washington, Martin 8, Kuykendall 15, Al 3(11).

PRACTICE SCHEDULE

Week of January 30th through February 5th

Monday, January 30	Practice 10:00 a.m. U.S.F. - 1:00 p.m. Center Circle
Tuesday, January 31	AM Weight Training, Fla. Athletic Center, leave Rowdies office 9:00 a.m. PM Practice U.S.F. 2:30 p.m.
Wednesday, February 1	AM Practice U.S.F. 10:00 a.m. - PM Practice U.S.F. 2:30 p.m.
Thursday, February 2	AM Weight Training, Fla. Athletic Center, PM Practice U.S.F. 2:30 p.m.
Friday, February 3	Pre-game meal, Tampa Airport Resort - 4:30 p.m. - Rib Room Game, Bayfront Center, 8:00 p.m.
Saturday, February 4	Practice U.S.F., 10:00 a.m.
Sunday, February 5	Day off.