

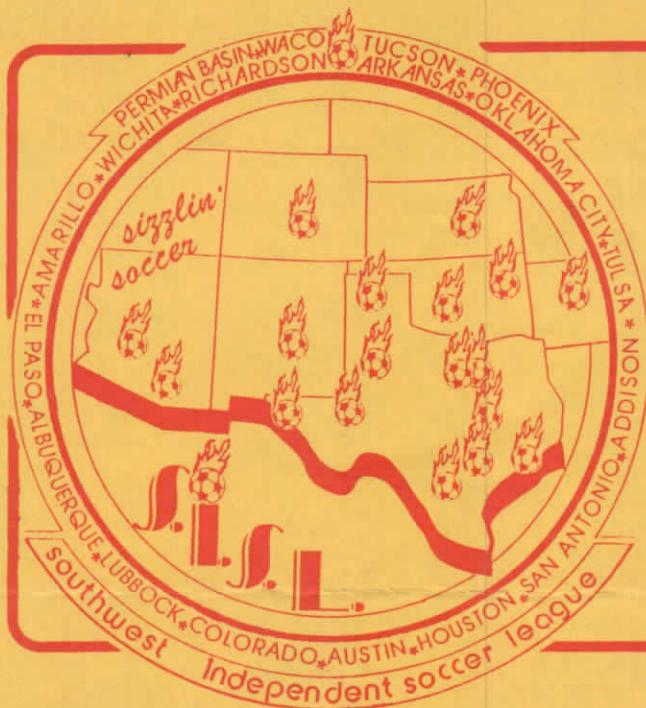
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NEWS



WEEK 4; CONTENDERS AND PRETENDERS GETTING SORTED OUT; AUSTIN BEATS COLORADO; LUBBOCK, PHOENIX, RICHARDSON STILL UNDEFEATED

Slow but surely the identity of contenders, pretenders and bit players is getting clearer in the SISL...week 4 saw the AUSTIN SOCKADILLOS pass a gut check (see "Sizzler of the Week" story), the TULSA RENEGADES claim early Oklahoma braggin rights with back-to-back 6-5 wins over rivals Oklahoma City Warriors; The RICHARDSON ROCKETTS continued its tight, but steady dominance over North Dallas rivals ADDISON ARROWS with a 7-6 win, the LUBBOCK LAZERS continue in the unassuming ways with a 6-3 decision over Albuquerque, TUCSON AMIGOS proved better than fellow "rookies" PERMIAN BASIN SHOOTIN' STARS with a 9-3 victory, and the WACO KICKERS are easily the most improved team since the first week of the season with 5-3, 8-2 wins over El Paso and Amarillo, before a respectable 8-4 set back in Richardson...Houston got back on the winning track with a wild 12-9 win over Amarillo, after losing soundly 24 hours earlier to COLORADO 12-3...El Paso, Amarillo, Permian Basin and Albuquerque however are still winless, but have been primarily on the road...the PHOENIX HEARTS are also still undefeated after an 8-4 win over the Shootin' Stars, and next week go to Denver for their first real test.

SIZZLER OF THE WEEK: AUSTIN SOCKS IT TO COLORADO, 9-7

Perhaps the Colorado Comets ought to think twice before thinking the competition wasn't strong enough in the Southwest Independent Soccer League. Colorado was beginning to wonder if they would ever be challenged after easily taking their first five games with an amazing 75 goals, but the challenge brought by the Austin Sockadillos, coming off of two stinging losses in Dallas were more than the Comets could handle in their 9-7 loss in Austin Sunday.

The Comets trailed for the first time this season after the Sockadillos', playing without top scorer Brian Monaghan, scored two quick goals in the first period. But within the space of a minute and a half the Comets came back to lead 3-2 at the end of the first period.

The Sockadillos led 5-3 at the half despite being in serious foul trouble and the cohesive moves of the Comets. With ten minutes left in the game and the Sockadillos leading 8-4 the Comets went to six attackers and for a while it looked like it would pay off. Chino Melendez scored three goals within six minutes, but that was not enough for the Comets, as the clock ran out upon a Marcelo Draguicevich's game clinching goal from midfield.

The key to this game could be the fact that, due to the staunch defensive play of Hamid Almadi and David Wilkes, Enrique Serrano (first in the league in scoring), Rob Zimmerman (4th), Mark Perdew (7th) and Shami Behbehani (10th) were held scoreless. Also, to this point, the league's top goalkeeper Craig Lammering had given up only three goals in as many games.

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MITRE WEEKLY OFFENSIVE MVP: AUSTIN'S MARCELO DRAGUICEVICH

The weekend total for MARCELO DRAGUICEVICH was 9 goals, 3 assists in the Sockadillos 27-3, 9-7 wins over El Paso and Colorado...of real significance however, were not his team tying record 7 goals vs El Paso, but his two goals vs the Comets, the first putting Austin on top for good at 4-3 in second quarter, and his icing on the cake coming iwth just 14 seconds to make it 9-7 and put the game out of reach.



SISL GOALKEEPER OF THE WEEK: TULSA'S ARTIE COLE

In the bitter rivalry developing for braggin' rights in Oklahoma territory, Cole has stood tall as four games between Renegades and Warriors have been decided by one goal and this weekend's pair of games (both 6-5 Tulsa wins) included a shootout win in Oklahoma City, before another nail biting victory in Tulsa only 24 hours later.

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"SOCCER KICK" WEEKLY DEFENSIVE MVP: LUBBOCK'S MIKE GODINEZ

In the Lubbock Lazers scheme of things a lost of games are won by all out effort by everybody...defenders attack, forwards defend and vice-versa...MIKE GODINEZ is one of the best examples of their style...on Saturday his shorthanded goal late in the third period put the Lazers up for good at 4-2 with what proved to be the game's winning goal.

SISL'ANIA: Next weekend's "SIZZLER OF THE WEEK" is a rematch of last year's championship bitter match up of AUSTIN at LUBBOCK...expect fire works to light up the west Texas skies...other important games are inter-Western conference visit of PHOENIX at COLORADO...EL PASO visit to PERMIAN BASIN will give either team first victory of season, and TULSA has first two game road trip at WACO (Sat.), HOUSTON (Sun.)...individually, statistical categories are beginning to show more diversity: COLORADO's players still lead all categories but the gap is narrowing: CHINO MELENDEZ leads goal scorers with 16 (tied with Enrique Serrano), while ROB ZIMMERMAN leads in points (26) and assists (12); GK's DAVE MASON and CRAIG LEMMERING with 2:00 and 2:80 GAA lead the 'keepers group. Sockadillos' 27-3 win over El Paso set league and team records for most goals scored in a game - 30 - most goals by a team 27; most goals in a half by a team 13; previous mark's had been set in Albuquerque 25-0 win over Amarillo last year. DISCIPLINE: Red cards were issued this past weekend to RICHARDSON'S SAEED BAGHRARDANI who'll sit out TWO (2) games as ordered by commissioner FRANCISCO MARCOS for verbal abuse of referee...one game suspension for RICHARDSON'S HASSAN NAZARI.

WEEK FOUR RESULTS

December 1, 2, 3
 FRI: @ Waco 5 El Paso 3
 Richardson 7 @ Addison 6
 Tulsa 6 @ Okla. City 5 (SO)
 SAT: Colorado 12 @ Houston 3
 @ Waco 8 Amarillo 2
 @ Lubbock 6 Albuquerque 3
 @ Phoenix 8 Perm. Basin 4
 @ Austin 27 El Paso 3
 @ Tulsa 6 OKla. City
 SUN: @ Austin 9 Colorado 7
 @ Houston 11 Amarillo 9
 @ Tucson 9 Perm. Basin 3
 @ Richardson 8 Waco 4

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

December 8,9,10
 FRI: El Paso @ Perm. Basin
 Richardson @ Waco
 SAT: Phoenix @ Colorado
 El Paso @ Amarillo
 Austin @ Lubbock
 Albuquerque @ Perm. Basin
 Okla. City @ Houston
 Tulsa @ Waco
 SUN: Tucson @ Colorado
 Albuquerque @ Amarillo
 El Paso @ Lubbock
 Austin @ Perm. Basin
 Waco @ Addison
 Okla. City @ Richardson
 Tulsa @ Houston

SOUTHWEST INDEPENDENT SOCCER LEAGUE STANDINGS
 (As of December 4)

<u>CENTRAL DIVISION</u>	GP	GW	GL	GWS	GLS	GF-GA	PTS
Colorado Comets	6	5	1	0	0	85-20	20
Lubbock Lazars	4	4	0	0	0	33-14	16
Permian Basin Shootin' Stars	6	0	6	0	0	31-56	0
Amarillo Challengers	6	0	6	0	0	22-65	0

<u>TEXAS DIVISION</u>	GP	GW	GL	GWS	GLS	GF-GA	PTS
Richardson Rockets	6	6	0	0	0	49-29	24
Waco Kickers	8	4	4	0	0	50-73	16
Austin Sockadillos	5	3	2	0	0	53-27	12
Houston Express	6	2	4	0	0	47-57	8

<u>CACTUS DIVISION</u>	GP	GW	GL	GWS	GLS	GF-GA	PTS
Phoenix Hearts	4	4	0	0	0	37-20	16
Tucson Amigos	5	3	2	0	0	36-31	12
Albuquerque Gunners	3	0	3	0	0	10-28	0
El Paso Sixshooters	5	0	5	0	0	14-69	0

<u>TEX-ARK-OMA DIVISION</u>	GP	GW	GL	GWS	GLS	GF-GA	PTS
Tulsa Renegades	6	4	1	1	0	52-28	19
Oklahoma City Warriors	7	3	3	0	1	41-44	13
Addison Arrows	5	2	3	0	0	33-32	8
Arkansas Diamonds	4	0	4	0	0	14-30	0

LEGEND: GP=Games Played; GW=Games Won; GL=Games Lost; GWS=Games Won Shootout; GLS=Games Lost Shootout; GF-GA=Goals for-against; PTS=Points

POINT SYSTEM: 4 points for win; 0 points for loss; 3 for shootout win; 1 for shootout loss.

INDIVIDUAL SCORING/GOALKEEPING (TOP 10)

GOALS					ASSISTS				
Player	Team	GP	G		Player	Team	GP	A	
1. Melendez C.	COL	6	16		1. Zimmerman R.	COL	6	13	
2. Serrano E.	COL	6	16		2. Perdew M.	COL	6	13	
3. Zimmerman R.	COL	6	13		3. Crawford A.	PER	6	10	
4. Draguicevich M.	AUS	5	12		4. Melendez C.	COL	6	9	
5. Antonijevec Z.	PHX	4	11		5. Antonijevec Z.	PHX	4	8	
6. Lessa C.	HOU	6	11		6. Cristanielli B.	RIC	5	8	
7. Baghvardani S.	RIC	5	10		7. Lessa C.	HOU	6	8	
8. McGuire D.	RIC	5	10		8. Serrano E.	COL	6	8	
9. Miranda J.	TUC	5	9		9. Baghvardani S.	RIC	5	7	
10. Alavarez L.	WAC	6	9		10. Hedlund J.	RIC	6	7	
POINTS					GOALKEEPERS				
Player	Team	GP	PT		Player	Team	GP	GA	GAA
1. Zimmerman R.	COL	6	26		1. Mason	COL	3	6	2.00
2. Melendez C.	COL	6	25		2. Lammering	COL	5	14	2.80
3. Serrano E.	COL	6	24		3. Haas	AUS	1	3	3.00
4. Perdew M.	COL	6	22		4. Toro	TUC	1	3	3.00
5. Antonijevec Z.	PHX	4	19		5. Godinez	LBB	2	7	3.50
6. Lessa C.	HOU	6	19		6. Swisler	LBB	2	7	3.50
7. Baghvardani S.	RIC	5	17		7. Lesco	WAC	3	13	4.33
8. Crawford A.	PER	6	17		8. Cole	TUL	6	28	4.66
9. Draguicevich M.	AUS	5	15		9. White	RIC	6	29	4.83
10. Miranda J.	TUC	5	15		10. Grimes	ADD	2	10	5.00