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CORK HIBERNIANS INVADE U.S.A.

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NEW YORK, N.Y.--The Cork Hibernians, one of the most consistently successful soccer teams in the League of Ireland during the past decade, will play a series of eleven games against the full complement of American Soccer League teams in a tour commencing Wednesday, May 19 at New Jersey and culminating June 12 in East Haven, Connecticut against the Connecticut Yankees, it was announced today by ASL President, Nick Sclavounos.

The Hibernians recently concluded the Irish football season finishing fourth in the major division comprised of 18 teams.

The Hibernians came into existence in 1957 and have consistently maintained a tradition of winning football in the intervening years. They followed in the footsteps of the famous Cork United of the 1940's and the Cork Athletic of the early 1950's. For four consecutive years they dominated Irish football winning the Championship, the F.A.I. Cup and the Blaxnit All-Ireland Cup in a period when the Hibernians were the most professional and attractive team in Ireland. They owe their name to the association with the Ancient Order of Hibernians. Ironically, that organization would not allow a direct relationship with professional sports, but nevertheless, the men who founded the Cork Hibernians were for the most part members of the A.O.H.

From their infanthood the Hibs became trend setters in that they always operated on the assumption that famous soccer names were important to the appeal of a team and throughout the 19 years of their existence they have recruited many famous Internationalists and played them alongside young professionals from Cork as well as England.

In their first year in football they signed Irish International center-forward Shay Gibbons, and other Irish Internationals who played for the team were Eddie

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Bailham, Jackie Mooney, Tommy Hamilton, Amby Fogarty and Tommy Eglington. The legendary Charlie Tully played for the Hibs in 1959/60 and helped them to their first Cup final, while Amby Fogarty, long time regular with the Sunderland team in England, set the foundation for the Hibernians successful run in the early 1970's when he was player-manager in 1967-69. Under his capable guidance the Hibernians captured the League of Ireland Shield in 1969.

Fogarty was followed by Dave Bacuzzi, a former Arsenal and Manchester City star, who posted the top records for the Hibernians under his guidance when they won all the major trophies in the 1970-74 period. During his tenure as coach the Hibernians won the League of Ireland Championship in 1970/71; the F.A.I. Cup in 1971/72; 1972/73; walked away with the Top Four Trophy in 1971/72 and in the following year captured the gonfalon in Blaxnit competition featuring the All-Ireland Cup.

In his term two of the club's players were honored by being selected by the Irish International teams, John Herrick and Miah Dennehy, and most of the other members of the squad were selected to play on the League of Ireland representative team.

All of the eleven games played by the ASL teams against the Cork Hibernians will count in the official League scoring statistics.

The Hibernians schedule includes the following games:

DATE	OPPONENT	VENUE
May 19	New Jersey Americans	Wall Township, New Jersey
May 21	New York Apollo	Hofstra University, Long Island, N.Y.
May 22	Rhode Island Oceaneers	East Providence, Rhode Island
May 27	Utah Golden Spikers	Salt Lake City, Utah
May 29	Los Angeles Skyhawks	Los Angeles, California
May 31	Sacramento Spirits	Sacramento, California
June 4	Tacoma Tides	Tacoma, Washington
June 6	Oakland Buccaneers	Oakland, California
June 9	Chicago Cats	Chicago, Illinois
June 10	Cleveland Cobras	Cleveland, Ohio
June 12	Connecticut Yankees	East Haven, Connecticut