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**AMERICAN SOCCER LEAGUE INC.**

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ASL ISSUES REVISED 1980 PLAYING SCHEDULE

NEW YORK, N.Y. - The American Soccer League today issued its revised 1980 playing schedule after accepting the voluntary termination of the Phoenix Fire, who ceased operation yesterday due to inadequate financing , prior to what was to have been their debut season.

The ASL's eight member clubs will play a 112 game championship schedule in 1980, the League's 47th season of operation. Each club will play a 28 game slate, consisting of 14 home matches and 14 games on the road, and will face every other team twice at home and two times away. The new realignment will form the ASL into two conferences; the National Conference and American Conference. The teams comprising the American Conference will be: the defending ASL champions Sacramento Gold, 1979 Western Division Champions California Sunshine, the Miami Americans and 1980 expansion club Golden Gate Gales. The National Conference will be made up of: 1979 Eastern Division champs Columbus Magic, Pennsylvania Stoners, New York United, and the Cleveland Cobras. Post-season playoff competition will begin after the regular schedule ends on September 7th, with the ASL Championship Game slated for the third weekend in September.

In addition to welcoming the Golden Gate Gales into the ASL ranks for 1980, there have, been two other major changes for this year's campaign. New York United, formerly the New York Apollo, will play all of their home games at Shea Stadium in New York City, which also houses the New York Mets and New York Jets. Also, the 1979 New Jersey Americans franchise has been transferred to Miami, where the new Miami Americans will call Tropical Park their home.

The 1980 ASL schedule will kick-off this Sunday when the 1979 ASL Champions Sacramento Gold travel to Golden Gate's Pioneer Stadium for a match set to get underway at 2:05 (PST). The defending titlists have shored up their already formidable side by the off-season addition of All Stars Raul Carrizo, a midfielder, and goalkeeper Tom Reynolds, who lead all ASL goalies in 1979 with an 0.79 goals against average, while with the California Sunshine. The Gales will attempt to dent the Gold defense with a forward line lead by strikers Gerard Hylkema and Mal Roche, the ASL's 1978 Rookie of the Year. Golden Gate's head coach Lee Atack will direct the team in their initial contest.

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# 1980 ASL SCHEDULE

(All Times Are Local Times)

| Game # | Date | Day | Match | Time |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | March 30 | Sunday | Sacramento at Golden Gate | 2:05 |
| 2 | April 4 | Friday | New York at Sacramento | 8:05 |
| 3 | | | Columbus at California | 7:35 |
| 4 | April 6 | Sunday | Columbus at Golden Gate | 2:05 |
| 5 | April 9 | Wednesday | New York at California | 7:35 |
| 6 | April 11 | Friday | Columbus at Sacramento | 8:05 |
| 7 | April 13 | Sunday | New York at Golden Gate | 2:05 |
| 8 | April 16 | Wednesday | Golden Gate at Sacramento | 8:05 |
| 9 | April 18 | Friday | Columbus at Cleveland | 8:05 |
| 10 | April 20 | Sunday | Miami at Pennsylvania | 6:35 |
| 11 | | | California at Golden Gate | 2:05 |
| 12 | April 25 | Friday | California at Sacramento | 8:05 |
| 13 | April 27 | Sunday | Golden Gate at California | 4:05 |
| 14 | | | Cleveland at Columbus | 6:35 |
| 15 | | | Miami at New York | 2:05 |
| 16 | April 30 | Wednesday | Cleveland at Miami | 8:05 |
| 17 | May 2 | Friday | Pennsylvania at Cleveland | 8:05 |
| 18 | | | New York at Columbus | 7:35 |
| 19 | May 3 | Saturday | Sacramento at Golden Gate | 2:05 |
| 20 | May 4 | Sunday | New York at Pennsylvania | 6:35 |
| 21 | May 7 | Wednesday | Miami at California | 7:35 |
| 22 | May 9 | Friday | Miami at Sacramento | 8:05 |
| 23 | | | Pennsylvania at Columbus | 7:35 |
| 24 | May 11 | Sunday | Miami at Golden Gate | 2:05 |
| 25 | | | Columbus at New York | 2:05 |
| 26 | May 16 | Friday | Pennsylvania at Cleveland | 8:05 |
| 27 | | | Golden Gate at Miami | 8:05 |
| 28 | May 17 | Saturday | Sacramento at California | 7:35 |
| 29 | May 18 | Sunday | Golden Gate at Columbus | 6:35 |
| 30 | | | Pennsylvania at New York | 2:05 |
| 31 | May 21 | Wednesday | New York at Columbus | 7:35 |
| 32 | May 23 | Friday | Pennsylvania at Miami | 8:05 |
| 33 | | | Golden Gate at Cleveland | 8:05 |
| 34 | May 24 | Saturday | California at Sacramento | 8:05 |
| 35 | May 25 | Sunday | Golden Gate at Pennsylvania | 6:35 |
| 36 | May 28 | Wednesday | Golden Gate at New York | 8:05 |
| 37 | | | Sacramento at Miami | 8:05 |
| 38 | May 30 | Friday | Columbus at Cleveland | 8:05 |
| 39 | | | Sacramento at Pennsylvania | 7:35 |
| 40 | June 1 | Sunday | Sacramento at New York | 2:05 |
| 41 | June 6 | Friday | Pennsylvania at Miami | 8:05 |
| 42 | | | Sacramento at Cleveland | 8:05 |
| 43 | | | Golden Gate at California | 7:35 |
| 44 | June 8 | Sunday | New York at Pennsylvania | 6:35 |
| 45 | | | Cleveland at Golden Gate | 2:05 |
| 46 | June 10 | Tuesday | Sacramento at Columbus | 7:35 |
| 47 | June 13 | Friday | Pennsylvania at Columbus | 7:35 |
| 48 | June 14 | Saturday | Cleveland at California | 7:35 |
| 49 | | | New York at Miami | 8:05 |
| 50 | June 15 | Sunday | Cleveland at Sacramento | 6:05 |

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| 51 | June 15 | Sunday | Columbus at Pennsylvania | 6:35 |
| 52 | June 18 | Wednesday | Cleveland at New York | 8:05 |
| 53 | June 24 | Tuesday | California at Pennsylvania | 7:35 |
| 54 | June 27 | Friday | California at Cleveland | 8:05 |
| 55 | | | Golden Gate at Sacramento | 8:05 |
| 56 | | | Miami at Columbus | 7:35 |
| 57 | June 29 | Sunday | Columbus at Miami | 8:05 |
| 58 | | | California at New York | 2:05 |
| 59 | July 3 | Thursday | Pennsylvania at Sacramento | 8:05 |
| 60 | July 4 | Friday | California at Miami | 8:05 |
| 61 | | | New York at Cleveland | 8:05 |
| 62 | July 6 | Sunday | California at Columbus | 6:35 |
| 63 | | | Pennsylvania at Golden Gate | 2:05 |
| 64 | July 9 | Wednesday | Miami at Cleveland | 8:05 |
| 65 | July 12 | Saturday | Pennsylvania at California | 7:35 |
| 66 | | | Sacramento at Miami | 8:05 |
| 67 | July 13 | Sunday | Cleveland at Columbus | 6:35 |
| 68 | July 16 | Wednesday | Sacramento at New York | 8:05 |
| 69 | July 18 | Friday | Miami at California | 7:35 |
| 70 | | | Sacramento at Cleveland | 8:05 |
| 71 | July 20 | Sunday | Miami at Golden Gate | 2:05 |
| 72 | | | Sacramento at Pennsylvania | 7:35 |
| 73 | | | Columbus at New York | 2:05 |
| 74 | July 22 | Tuesday | Sacramento at Columbus | 7:35 |
| 75 | July 23 | Wednesday | Pennsylvania at New Yrok | 8:05 |
| 76 | July 25 | Friday | Miami at Sacramento | 8:05 |
| 77 | | | New York at Cleveland | 8:05 |
| 78 | July 27 | Sunday | Columbus at Golden Gate | 2:05 |
| 79 | | | Cleveland at Pennsylvania | 7:35 |
| 80 | | | Sacramento at California | 4:05 |
| 81 | | | New York at Miami | 8:05 |
| 82 | August 1 | Friday | Columbus at California | 7:35 |
| 83 | August 2 | Saturday | Cleveland at Golden Gate | 2:05 |
| 84 | August 3 | Sunday | Miami at Pennsylvania | 7:35 |
| 85 | | | Columbus at Sacramento | 6:05 |
| 86 | August 6 | Wednesday | Cleveland at California | 7:35 |
| 87 | | | Golden Gate at New York | 8:05 |
| 88 | August 10 | Sunday | Cleveland at Sacramento | 6:05 |
| 89 | | | Golden Gate at Pennsylvania | 7:35 |
| 90 | | | Miami at New York | 2:05 |
| 91 | August 13 | Wednesday | Golden Gate at Miami | 8:05 |
| 92 | August 15 | Friday | Golden Gate at Cleveland | 8:05 |
| 93 | August 16 | Saturday | Columbus at Miami | 8:05 |
| 94 | | | New York at California | 7:35 |
| 95 | August 17 | Sunday | Cleveland at Pennsylvania | 8:05 |
| 96 | August 19 | Tuesday | Golden Gate at Columbus | 7:35 |
| 97 | August 22 | Friday | Miami at Cleveland | 8:05 |
| 98 | | | New York at Sacramento | 8:05 |
| 99 | August 23 | Saturday | Miami at Columbus | 7:35 |
| 100 | August 24 | Sunday | New York at Golden Gate | 2:05 |
| 101 | | | Pennsylvania at California | 4:05 |

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| 102 | August 27 | Wednesday | California at Cleveland | 8:05 |
| 103 | August 29 | Friday | California at Miami | 8:05 |
| 104 | | | Pennsylvania at Sacramento | 8:05 |
| 105 | August 31 | Sunday | Pennsylvania at Golden Gate | 2:05 |
| 106 | | | California at New York | 2:05 |
| 107 | September 2 | Tuesday | California at Columbus | 7:35 |
| 108 | September 3 | Wednesday | Cleveland at New York | 8:05 |
| 109 | September 4 | Thursday | California at Pennsylvania | 7:35 |
| 110 | September 6 | Saturday | Cleveland at Miami | 8:05 |
| 111 | September 7 | Sunday | Columbus at Pennsylvania | 6:35 |
| 112 | | | California at Golden Gate | 2:05 |