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ASL ANNOUNCES PLAY-OFF PLANS

ROCHESTER, N.Y. -- The American Soccer League Board of Governors voted to have a six team play-off this year and also to extend the Player Transaction deadline to August 10th,1982 at a recent league meeting in New York.

"What we have done," according to Bob Benson, the President of the Carolina Lightnin', "is for the best of the entire league. It was a Pete Rozelle type decision."

"Economic survival is another way to look at it," he said. "Now six teams will have a chance to participate in the play-offs and will host at least one additional home game."

In the new format teams finishing #1 and #2 will receive First Round byes. Team #3 will meet #6 and team #4 plays #5. The First Round will be a two game series with the winner settled by most goals.

Round Two will be a best of three affair. Teams #1 and #2 will open on the road playing the winners of #3 and #6 and #4 and #5 respectively. Teams #1 and #2 will host the second and if necessary the third and deciding game in this series.

The two survivors will meet for the ASL Championship in a one game play-off hosted by the team with the most points in the regular season.

The extension of the Player Transaction deadline means that the teams will enter the play-offs with the strongest possible rosters.

"We have learned from other leagues," Benson said. "Injuries and other factors have weakeened teams in the past. We want both our teams and fans to enjoy the best in the play-offs."

The Americans Soccer League has three weeks remaining on its regular schedule. This week there will be seven games. Friday finds Oklahoma City at Nashville and Rochester at Georgia.

Saturday Pennsylvania plays at Rochester and Detroit visits Carolina. Sunday the schedule concludes with Carolina at Oklahoma City, Pennsylvania at Detroit and Nashville at Georgia.

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ASL STANDINGS

	GAMES	WON	LOST	TIED	GF	GA	BONUS PTS	TOTAL PTS
Oklahoma City	23	14	6	3	47	37	40	116
Detroit	22	13	5	4	53	30	42	115
Georgia	19	10	6	3	43	31	39	95
Pennsylvania	19	8	6	5	29	23	28	78
Carolina	22	8	10	4	28	31	27	75
Rochester	20	7	11	2	36	40	32	71
Nashville	23	2	18	3	21	58	19	37

ASL awards 5 points for a win, 2 for a tie and 1 bonus point for each goal scored up to a maximum of three per team, per game.

THE SCOREBOARD

Fri., Aug 6 Detroit 2 GEORGIA 5 at DeKalb (1,216)
Fri., Aug 6 Oklahoma City 2 ROCHESTER 1 at Rochester (6,851)
Fri., Aug 6 Nashville 1 CAROLINA 3 at Charlotte (4,839)
Sat., Aug 7 Carolina 2 DETROIT 2 at Pontiac (9,618)
Sun., Aug 8 Pennsylvania 1 ROCHESTER 2 at Rochester (4,194)
Sun., Aug 8 Nashville 0 Oklahoma City 9 at Oklahoma City (3,011)

THIS WEEK

Wed., Aug 11 Rochester @ Carolina (8:05 P.M.)
Fri., Aug 13 Oklahoma City @ Nashville (7:35 P.M.)
Fri., Aug 13 Rochester @ Georgia (8:00 P.M.)
Sat., Aug 14 Pennsylvania @ Rochester (8:05 P.M.)
Sat., Aug 14 Detroit @ Carolina (8:05 P.M.)
Sun., Aug 15 Carolina @ Oklahoma City (7:35 P.M.)
Sun., Aug 15 Pennsylvania @ Detroit (7:30 P.M.)
Sun., Aug 15 Nashville @ Georgia (2:00 P.M.)

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SCORING LEADERS

	GOALS	ASSISTS	POINTS
Brian Tinnion,Dt	17	12	46
Jeff Bourne,OKC	18	6	42
Andy Chapman,Dt	17	3	37
Jose Neto,Ga	14	4	32
Bill Bolevic,Dt	10	7	27
Kevin Fouser,Ga	10	4	24
Ernie Buriano,Ro	8	5	21

PLAYER OF WEEK (slected by PSRA)

Jeff Bourne,Oklahoma City Slickers

ATTENDANCE:
68 games - 263,568 for average of 3,876

ASL GOALKEEPERS STATS

	GAMES	MIN	SAVES	GA	SO	RECORD	AVERAGE
D. Dry,OKC	1	33	0	0	1#	0-0-0	0.00
P. Turin,Det	1	30	2	0	1#	0-0-0	0.00
G.Taratsides,Pa.	13	1350	73	16	5	7-2-4	1.06
T. Reynolds,Pa.	6	580	38	7	1	1-4-1	1.09
T. Delorm,Det.	22	2130	122	30	7#	13-5-4	1.27
P. Parkes,OKC	23	2317	113	37	7#	14-6-3	1.43
G. Tutt,Ga.	12	1094	37	18	1	7-2-2	1.48
S. Manning,Car.	22	1990	112	33	6	8-10-4	1.49
N. Owcharuk,Roch.	6	580	24	10	0	2-3-1	1.56
D. Coombs,Roch.	3	270	18	5	0	1-2-0	1.66
C. Scarpelli,Ga.	8	696	35	13	1	3-4-1	1.68
J. Perriello,Roch.	10	868	44	19	5	4-5-1	1.97
F. Armstrong,Nash.	12	1120	83	29	2	2-9-1	2.33
I. Martin,Roch.	1	72	12	2	0	0-0-0	2.50
B. McInerney,Nash.	11	1030	101	32	1	0-9-1	2.80
P. Grillo, Roch.	1	90	6	4	0	0-1-0	4.00

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LINE SCORES

Friday, August 6, 1982

Detroit Express 2 GEORGIA GENERALS 5 @ DeKalb att:1,216
DET: Delorm,Westbrook,Schnettgoecke,Mahailovich,Franklin,Powers,Watson,Moffat,Tinnion,Bolevic, Schlothauer
GA: Scarpelli,MacKain,Willin,Bapst,Balson,Carr,Askew,Payne,Olson (McNevin 77:12), Neto, Fouser (Bernardi 72:45)

SCORING: Ga.- Kevin Fouser 8 (unassisted) 23:28; Ga. - Jose Neto 13 (Fouser) 32:36; Ga. -Kevin Fouser 9 (Payne) 45:50; Det.- Brian Tinnion 15 (Watson) 51:10; Det. - Brian Tinnion 16 (Bolevic) 55:53; Ga. -Kevin Fouser 10 (Olson) 61:15; Ga. - Jose Neto 14 (Bernardi) 83:2

SHOTS: Georgia- 7 Detroit-7 Yellow Cards- Bernardi (75:46)
SAVES: Scarpelli- 7 Delorm-5

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Friday, August 6, 1982

Oklahoma City Slickers 2 ROCHESTER FLASH 1 @ Rochester att: 6,851
OKC: Parkes,Elder,Alioto,Rausch,Knezic,Kramer,Liotart,Millinder,Killingsworth,Bourne,Fleps (Hudson 72:49), (Kerlin for Liotart 65:33)
ROCH: Coombs,Mepham,Cupello,Gehling,Sansone,Lacevic,Buriano,Vayman,Paonessa,Martin,Ka Tausch (Laschev 37:30)

SCORING: Roch. -Ian Martin 2 (Lacevic) 39:03; OKC- Mark Kerlin 1 (Millinder) 73:38; OKC- Mark Kerlin 2 (Killingsworth) 89:52

SHOTS: Rochester- 17 Oklahoma City- 11 Yellow Cards- Gehling (79:04)
SAVES: Coombs-4 Parkes-4

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Friday, August 6, 1982

Nashville Diamonds 1 CAROLINA LIGHTNIN' 3 @ Charlotte att: 4,839
NASH: McInerney,Simon,Harderson,Strecker,Gilbert,Yepez,Rowschanei (Johaningmeyer 73:00),Gavaria, Green (Taylor 45:00), Lito,O'Toole
CAR: Manning,Fidelia,Leeper,Power,Murphy,Pierce,Scott,Tobin,Lane,O'Neill,Mercurio

SCORING: Car.- Pat Fidelia 4 (unassisted) 60:00; Car. -Pat Fidelia 5 (Lane) 64:00; Nash.-Mike Harderson 3 (unassisted) 86:00; Car.- Dave Pierce 1 (Fidelia) 87:00

SHOTS: Carolina - 22 Nashville-14 Yellow Cards- Leeper (49:00),Mercurio (61:00)
SAVES: Manning-1 McInerney-9 Pierce (66:00), Gilbert (37:00)
Yepez (67:00)
Red Cards - Tobin (65:00)

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Saturday, August 7, 1982

Carolina Lightnin' 2 DETROIT EXPRESS 2 @ Pontiac att: 9,618

CAR: Manning,Power,Murphy,Philpotts,O'Neill (Child 75:00), Formoso,Tobin,Lane,Pierce,Fidelia, Mercurio (Scott 33:58)

DET: Delorm,Westbrook,Franklin,Schnettgoecke,Watson (Tyson 90:00), Schlothauer,Tinnion, Bolevic,Mahilovich,Powers,Chapman

SCORING: Car. - Redmond Lane 3 (Tobin) 29:33; Car. -Redmond Lane 4 (Fidelia) 43:40; Det.- Bill Bolevic 10 (unassisted) 62:20; Det.- Brian Tinnion 17 (Powers) 73:20

SHOTS: Detroit-27 Carolina -13 Yellow Cards- Pierce (57:00),O'Neill (70:20)

SAVES: Delorm-4 Manning-8

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Sunday, August 8, 1982

Pennsylvania Stoners 1 ROCHESTER FLASH 2 @ Rochester att:4,194

PA: Taratsides,Kadupski,Collins,Ost,McDonald,Tiger,Shkreli,Abramovich (Curanaj 82:24), Papadimitriou (Forbes 77:30), Hilton,Urbanczyk

ROCH: Owcharuk,Mepham,Gehling,Cupello,Sansone,Buriano,Horvath,Vayman,Paonessa,Martin,Martello

SCORING: Pa.- Tom McDonald 2 (Abramovich) 46:46; Roch.- Ian Martin 3 (Buriano) 61:04, Roch.- John Martello 3 (Paonessa) 72:29

SHOTS: Rochester-14 Pennsylvania-15 Yellow Cards- Vayman (49:11)

SAVES: Owchauk-4 Taratsides-3

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Sunday, August 8,1982

Nashville Diamonds 0 OKLAHOMA CITY SLICKERS 9 @ Oklahoma City att: 3,011

NASH: McInerney,Harderson,Simon,O'Toole,Gilbert,Strecker,Lito,Green (Johaningmeyer 56:27), Yepez,Ochoa,Ronshanei

OKC: Parkes (Dry 56:56), Knezic,Sautter,Rausch,Alioto,Kramer,Millinder,Dolinsky,Killingswort (Hudson 59:48), Bourne,Kerlin

SCORING: OKC-Jeff Bourne 16 (Kramer) 19:55; OKC- Jeff Bourne 17 (unassisted) 44:01; OKC- Jeff Bourne 18 (Millinder) 46:03; OKC- Ken Killingsworth 3 (Kramer) 56:56; OKC- Tom Alioto 2 (Bourne) 59:48; OKC- Joe Rausch 4 (Dolinsky); OKC-Joe Rausch 5 (Bourne) 66:12; OKC-John Dolinsky 2 (Alioto) 69:57; OKC- Mark Kerlin 3 (Hudson) 88:09

SHOTS: Oklahoma City - 35 Nashville-5 Yellow Cards- Gilbert (73:28)

SAVES: Parkes-1 McInerney-12 Red Cards- Lito (12:22)

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