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COBRAS BATTLE FOR PLAYOFFS

The Cleveland Cobras travel to Chicago this Thursday to battle the Chicago Cats for the fifth time this season. Cleveland must win this game if they hope to retain any hopes of making the playoffs. Cleveland has topped the Cats in their four previous meetings by scores of 1-0, 2-1, 2-1, 1-0. Cleveland's record is currently 7-7-4 with 65 points and two games remaining to be played while Chicago is 8-7-3 with 66 points and two games left.

The Connecticut Yankees will supply the opposition for Cleveland's final home game of the regular season this Sunday night at 8:00PM in the friendly atmosphere of Baldwin Wallace Stadium. The Yankees have a 9-9-0 record and they currently reside in second place, just two points behind front running Rhode Island.

The Cobras traveled to the West Coast last weekend where they dropped a pair of decisions to Tacoma and Oakland. The Tacoma Tides tripped the Cobras 3-2 as the Tides Pepe Ferandez scored a pair of goals for the victors. Vito Colonna scored two goals to supply Cleveland offense and it was the second straight game in which Vito scored two goals. The game was a costly one for Vito as he sustained a pulled muscle and is not expected to see action for the rest of the season.

In the Oakland game, Cleveland jumped out to a 2-0 halftime lead with Carlos Scott and Roberto Oliveira registering scores. But the second half proved to be a disaster as Oakland scored four times for a 4-2 win.

Cleveland will be without the services of captain Dave Leckie who injured his back in the 1-0 win over Chicago last week. Goaltender Paul Chymovic has a injured right leg although he is expected to be in the lineup.

The Yankees are the highest scoring team in the ASL's Eastern Division as they have accounted for 32 goals (compared to 22 for Cleveland).

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They are the second most generous team in the division from a defensive standpoint as goaltenders Greg Lamb, Mickey Cohen, and Jerry Surz have allowed 33 scores (as compared to only 25 for Cleveland's netminders).

Vic Calabrese leads the Connecticut offensive charge as he has clicked 10 times and has a pair of assists. He lead the league in scoring for most of the season until he was just recently passed.

The other key offensive player is Jan klosek who is in the midfield. Klosek has six goals and seven assists which makes him the second highest scoring midfielder in the league behind Tacoma's David Chadwick.

Key members of the Yanks backline are Joe McGuigan and Danny Kalmanides, both of whom are rugged fullbacks.

Cleveland has beaten the Yankies twice this season. They won 1-0 up in Connecticut early this season and 2-0. They also lost to the Yankies in New England 3-1 last month.

COBRAS SCORING

PLAYER	GOALS	ASSISTS	TOTAL POINTS
Vito Colonna	9	2	20
Roberto Oliveira	7	2	16
Jim McMillan	1	5	7
Roby Stahl	1	2	4
Carlos Scott	1	2	4
Danny Budimir	1	1	3
Mladen Laus	1	1	3
Dennis Almeida	1	0	2
Robert Smith	0	1	1
Julio Servin	0	1	1

PLAYER	MINUTES	SHOTS	SHUTOUTS	SAVES	GOALS	AVERAGE
Paul Chymovic	1487	314	6	142	21	1.27
Jack Groesser	229	42	0	20	4	1.60