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WASHINGTON'S WEEK: VICTORY OVER VARZIM MAKES
IT SEEM THAT NOTHING CAN BLUNT THOSE DARTS

Atlanta, Georgia, July 20, 1970 - The week belongs to Washington Darts. Within the space of 24 hours, Washington went to Atlanta to practically wipe out the last remnants of resistance from the Chiefs; then flew back home to topple proud Varzim of Portugal to defeat, 3 - 1.

The action leaves the Darts almost unassailable at the top of the NASL's Southern Division, with a game against old arch-rivals Rochester Lancers coming up on Sunday. It also gives the Darts the lead in the International Cup, the silver trophy awarded to the NASL team with the best record against foreign opposition. If Varzim avoid defeat at Dallas and St. Louis this week, the International Cup must belong to Washington.

What else makes it Washington's week (as if the Southern Division title - probably - and the International Cup - most likely - wasn't enough)? Coach Lincoln Phillips leads the goalkeepers' group with only 9 goals allowed in 16 games. Leroy DeLeon leads the goalscorers (23 points) but Warren Archibald is closing in fast (20 points) and Gerry Browne, out of form much of the season, stormed back with all 3 goals against Varzim.

Rochester's game at Washington on Sunday is going to mean more to the Lancers than to the Darts, then. Because if Washington can afford to lose a game or two, Rochester can not afford to lose a single point.

The Northern Division race has Rochester and Kansas City Spurs tied at 69 points after wins for each of them at the weekend. Rochester beat Dallas Tornado 3 - 2 and Kansas City defeated St. Louis Stars 7 - 4; repeat 7 - 4.

"A wild one," says Kansas City G. M. John Tyler. St. Louis went ahead inside two minutes; Spurs scored the next 5 to lead 5 - 1; Pat McBride, St. Louis' U. S. World Cup forward, scored the next three himself to make it 5 - 4....and finally Spurs ran away with it 7 - 4.

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RESULTS:

Thursday	Atlanta Chiefs 1 - Varzim of Portugal 2
Saturday	Kansas City Spurs 7 - St. Louis Stars 4; Rochester Lancers 3 - Dallas Tornado 2; Atlanta Chiefs 1 - Washington Darts 2; Washington Darts 3 - Varzim 1

GAMES THIS WEEK:

Tuesday	Varzim at Dallas
Thursday	Varzim at St. Louis
Saturday	Kansas City Spurs at Dallas, St. Louis Stars at Atlanta
Sunday	Varzim at Kansas City, Rochester Lancers at Washington

NORTH AMERICAN SOCCER LEAGUE STANDINGS
(As of July 20)

Northern Division

	Played	Won	Tied	Lost	Goals For	Against	Bonus Pts.	Points
Kansas City	17	6	4	7	26	27	21	69
Rochester	16	5	5	6	26	29	24	69
St. Louis	17	3	2	12	20	49	18	42

Southern Division

	Played	Won	Tied	Lost	Goals For	Against	Bonus Pts.	Points
Washington	18	12	3	3	40	17	31	112
Atlanta	18	5	5	8	25	26	24	69
Dallas	17	5	3	9	23	24	20	59

GOALSCORERS

	Games	Goals	Assists	Points
Leroy DeLeon (Washington)	15	11	1	23
Carlos Metidieri (Rochester)	16	8	6	22
Kirk Apostolidis (Dallas)	12	9	2	20
Warren Archibald (Washington)	14	7	6	20
Manfred Seissler (Kansas City)	16	7	5	19
Mike Renshaw (Dallas)	17	6	4	16
Dave Metchick (Atlanta)	14	6	4	16
Gerry Browne (Washington)	14	6	2	14
Pat McBride (St. Louis)	17	6	1	13
Art Welch (Atlanta)	15	4	4	12
Graham Newton (Atlanta)	13	6	0	12
Jim Leeker (St. Louis)	17	5	2	12
Raul Herrera (Rochester)	11	5	1	11
Jim Lefkos (Rochester)	7	5	1	11
Flash Oliveira (Kansas City)	17	4	3	11
Tibor Szalay (Kansas City)	17	5	0	10

GOALKEEPERS

	Games	Starts	Saves	Goals	Shut Out	Average
Lincoln Phillips (Washington)	16	16	75	9	10	0.56
Vic Rouse (Atlanta)	12	12	52	12	4	1.00
Kenny Cooper (Dallas)	17	17	62	24	5	1.41
Leonel Conde (Kansas City)	16	16	101	23	6	1.44
Dick Howard (Rochester)	15	15	81	27	2	1.80
Joe Right (St. Louis)	8	6	52	16	1	2.00
Miguel DeLima (St. Louis)	10	8	49	25	0	2.50

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