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MIKE RENSHAW NAMED HEAD COACH OF THE DALLAS TORNADO;
INDOOR SOCCER WORKOUTS BEGIN MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10.

DALLAS---Michael Lawrence Renshaw has now come full circle with the Dallas Tornado, the only North American Soccer League club he's ever been associated with.

Mike Renshaw, the fourth leading career scorer in Dallas Tornado history and presently the club's only link (besides ownership) to the 14 year history of the NASL's oldest franchise, today was named Head Coach of the team.

The announcement of the appointment of Renshaw, who's served as Assistant Coach for the past three NASL seasons, was made at a mid-day news conference at Reunion Tower in downtown Dallas by General Manager Kent Kramer.

"One of my favorite poems," said Kramer in making the announcement, "is the one about the scenario of a winner. It relates what a winner thinks, says and feels, about dedication, ability, understanding, respect and a great number of things. I really feel that there aren't that many really great coaches in sports, but I really feel Mike will be a great head coach in this league. He has all the ingredients. He's given alot to this club and to this community and I know he's excited about the challenge."

In naming Renshaw to the top post available on the team side of the franchise, the Tornado ended a two month-long search for a successor to Al Miller who had coached the club for five seasons before resigning his post in late August during the Tornado's playoff drive. Renshaw is the sixth coach in the 14 year history of the club, following Jerry Kerr, Bob Kap, Keith Spurgeon, Ron Newman and Miller.

"I am excited and proud about this opportunity," said Renshaw in accepting the reins of the Tornado. "Dallas is the only club I've ever known. I've got many fond memories of Dallas and the Tornado, and I look forward to many more."

Renshaw---at 32 the youngest head coach in the entire 24 team NASL--will oversee indoor workouts that begin Monday (November 10) as Dallas prepares for its inaugural indoor soccer season at Reunion Arena, a scheduled 20 game NASL season from November through February that'll complement the already standard 32 game outdoor season played at Texas Stadium from March through September. The Tornado opens its home indoor season Saturday December 6, 1980 against the Portland Timbers.

Renshaw is also no stranger to indoor soccer, scoring 11 goals in 8 games and a total of 23 scoring points in past Dallas indoor exhibitions.

Known as an outstanding midfielder and right winger during his playing career with Dallas, this native of Manchester, England played on the Tornado's 1971 NASL outdoor championship club as well as the indoor club from the same year that captured the NASL's first indoor title in a regionally sponsored competition. Renshaw scored the winning goal

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in the outdoor final and was named MVP of that indoor event.

He currently ranks fourth on the all-time Dallas scoring list with 21 goals, 31 assists (second best career mark) as well as 73 scoring points. His 140 regular season appearances also ranks him third on the all-time Dallas list and in the top 10 in NASL history.

Renshaw, who's kept close to his playing weight of 5-10, 165 pounds, also played on the historic Dallas Tornado six month, 19 country 45 game Around the World tour of 1968 and coached the team on the recently completed fall tour of West Germany.

Holder of a coveted "A" coaching license from the United States Soccer Federation, Renshaw has lived in Dallas during his entire tenure with the Tornado.

An avowed fan of the late English Prime Minister Winston Churchill (whose wit and wisdom he frequently quotes), Renshaw was born April 28, 1948 and currently lives in Richardson, Texas.