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RENSHAW 'PLEASED' WITH OVERALL EFFORT
DESPITE 6-4 LOSS TO ROUGHNECKS IN
INDOOR OPENER; WEST COAST TRIP/GAME
SET WITH LOS ANGELES AZTECS;
FREE AGENT GREG ROBERTSON SIGNED;
GANO PLAYER OF THE WEEK

DALLAS--Although the Dallas Tornado dropped a 6-4 decision Saturday, November 22 to the host Tulsa Roughnecks at Fairgrounds Pavilion, Tornado Head Coach Mike Renshaw went on record as saying he was pleased overall with the club's initial indoor soccer effort of the 1980/81 North American Soccer League indoor campaign.

Dallas, now 0-1 in Western Conference/Southern Division NASL indoor play, will travel to Los Angeles for a holiday weekend matchup with the 1-2 Aztecs of Head Coach Bobby Sibbald although because of the current NASL labor problems the scheduled Thanksgiving Day trip to Vancouver to play the Whitecaps will likely be rescheduled by the NASL office. Complete details of this probable schedule change will be announced this week.

"Although I was pleased overall with our first effort," said Renshaw, "I wasn't pleased with our power play work since we only capitalized on one of five opportunities presented to us. I really felt this would be a strong suit for us and one we must become better at. The fact Tulsa had played last week and we didn't was a factor but I'm glad the first is now under our belts."

Disappointing production on the five power plays presented by the physical Roughnecks obviously will be pointed out in this week's early practice sessions says Renshaw since many times that's where indoor games are won or loss.

Tulsa' Johannes Edvaldsson notched the all-important first goal of the season against Dallas before Defender Pedro Gano--named Player of the Week--scored the first ever regular season indoor goal for Dallas at the 13:30 mark of the 15 minute first period. Tulsa's Jimmy Kelly scored the second Tulsa goal of the first period with just :08 seconds left in the quarter and the Roughnecks never trailed thereafter.

In fact, Tulsa almost seemed to be thinking runaway after constructing a 6-1 lead after 45 minutes of play as they scored four unanswered goals(split between the middle two periods) with two coming on power play opportunities, the only two allowed by Dallas all night. But in between the last two periods Renshaw admonished his club to forget the score and go for goals which plucky Dallas did in spades by scoring three straight unanswered tallies in the fourth quarter in a 7:01 span.

Chris Collins scored at 5:47 of the fourth off Flemming Lund and Freddie Garcia passes before newcomer Mike Stankovic scored to narrow it to 6-3 at 8:18 off Ede Wolf and Joe Rausch passes on the only successful Dallas man-advantage situation in those five attempts.

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Brazilian forward Zequinha, MVP of the last two Dallas outdoor seasons,then responded with his first indoor goal at 12:48 from a Garcia pass and possibly Dallas was not beaten but simply ran out of time to finish the comeback work.

Dallas outshot Charlie Mitchell's Tulsa in this battle of divisional mates, 38-33 (with Rausch's 12 individual shots leading the way and, coupled with Zequinha's 7, combined to make up over half of the Dallas SOG) while Dallas' keeper Billy Phillips registered 13 saves and allowed all six Roughneck goals in going the distance. Tulsa goalie Dene DuChateau and first year keeper Delroy Allen split time for Tulsa with DuChateau making seven saves and allowing one goal while Allen stopped six shots and allowed the three last period tallies thereby giving a start to the 5,396 attentive Tulsa fans.

About LA: Game pits the two youngest NASL coaches against each other, Sibbald just over three months older than his Dallas counterpart. LA led indoors by the Western Conference's leading scorer, Chris Dangerfield with 11 goals, 3 assists and 24 points. LA is 1-2, dropping an 8-4 decision to the Timbers and a 5-4 contest to the Earthquakes while beating California 11-2 this past weekend.

NOTES: Modified Dallas travel plans will have the Tornado leave for Los Angeles sometime Friday afternoon for the 7:30 p.m. (Pacific time) Saturday, November 29th encounter, travelling to LA on Friday afternoon and headquarting at the University Hilton (213/748-4141). Regular Tornado Talk code-a-phone reports will be made daily...Dallas signed 1980 Ft. Lauderdale draftee Greg Robertson to a contract Friday and he played in the season opener in Tulsa...6-0, 160 pound Flint, Michigan native was standout last fall at NAIA power Spring Arbor...He scored four goals and four assists for indoor Strikers last winter...New look Dallas Tornado Twisters dance group working hard on completing new routine for season opener Saturday, December 6th with visiting Portland at Reunion, the first of the Big Event Nights with superstar singer/composer Neil Sedaka...Dallas unsuccessful with second period 1:32 two man advantage over Roughnecks...Tickets now available at all Minyard Food Stores for the December 6th game with Portland.

1980/81 DALLAS TORNADO INDOOR ROSTER

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0	Billy Phillips	Goalkeeper	24	6-1	170	United States
2	Pedro Gano	Defender	27	5-11	170	Argentina
3	Peter Gruber	Defender	28	5-9	161	West Germany
4	Steve Pecher	Defender	24	6-1	185	United States
6	Tony Bellinger	Defender	22	5-10	150	United States
7	Zequinha	Forward	31	5-9	145	Brazil
8	Flemming Lund	Defender	28	5-7	150	Denmark
0	Omar Gomez	Forward	25	5-10	170	Argentina
1	Teodoro	Forward	33	5-10	170	Brazil
3	Mike Stankovic	Defender	24	6-0	175	Yugoslavia
4	Ede Wolf	Forward	30	5-8	150	West Germany
5	Chris Collins	Defender	24	5-9	150	United States
6	David James	Defender	17	5-10	165	United States
7	Carl Bennett	Defender	19	5-8	150	United States
8	Njego Pesa	Forward	22	5-10	168	United States
9	Wolfgang Rausch	Defender	33	5-9	170	West Germany
0	Kyle Hutchins	Defender	22	6-2	175	United States
1	John Schram	Goalkeeper	23	6-3	185	United States
3	Freddie Garcia	Forward	28	5-8	147	United States
4	Greg Robertson	Forward	22	6-0	160	United States

Head Coach: Mike Renshaw

Trainer: Steve Parker
Equipment Manager: Ellie Godsall