

The North American Soccer League

1972



In 1972 the NASL reduced its schedule to 14 games and the number of teams making up the League remained at eight. There was, however, one change as the Washington franchise was transferred to Miami where it became known as the Miami Gatos, gato being the Spanish word for cat.

The championship was won by the New York Cosmos at that time lacking the star names that were later to make Cosmos an international name. During that season Cosmos included Helenio Herrera, son of the famous coach in their line up for one game, and Brazilian striker Cinesinho for another. On a regular basis the Cosmos included former Czech international winger Josef Jelinek, who played for Czechoslovakia in the 1962 World Cup Final, and Canadian

international Johnny Kerr who later became head of the NASL Players' Union.

Elsewhere in the League Graeme Souness, later to make a name for himself with Liverpool and Sampdoria, then became player-coach of Glasgow Rangers, played for Montreal. In 1972 Souness was on loan from the reserve team of Tottenham Hotspur.

In Toronto, a young midfielder named Brian Talbot was making an impact for the second year in a row. On loan from Ipswich Town, Talbot was to become a key element in some of the great Ipswich teams of the late 1970s under manager Bobby Robson, later to play for Arsenal and England.

Final League Tables and Statistics

NORTHERN DIVISION

	P	W	T	L	For	Ag	Pts
New York Cosmos	14	7	4	3	28	16	77
Rochester Lancers	14	6	3	5	20	22	64
Montreal Olympique	14	4	5	5	19	20	57
Toronto Metros	14	4	4	6	18	22	53

SOUTHERN DIVISION

	P	W	T	L	For	Ag	Pts
St Louis Stars	14	7	3	4	20	14	69
Dallas Tornado	14	6	3	5	15	12	60
Atlanta Chiefs	14	5	3	6	19	18	56
Miami Gatos	14	3	3	8	17	32	44

Based on six points for a win and three points for a tie, plus one point for each goal up to a maximum of three per team.

Play-offs Semi-finals

Aug 15, 1972 St Louis Stars 2: Rochester Lancers 0
(in St Louis)

Aug 19, 1972 New York Cosmos 1: Dallas Tornado 0
(in New York)

Championship Game

Aug 26, 1972 New York Cosmos 2: St Louis Stars 1
(in New York)

Leading Scorers

	Pld	Gls	Ast	Pts
Randy Horton (New York)	13	9	4	22
Paul Child (Atlanta)	12	8	1	17
Warren Archibald (Miami)	14	6	5	17
Michael Dillon (Montreal)	10	7	2	16
Willy Roy (St Louis)	11	7	2	16
Everald Cummings (New York)	13	5	3	13
Kazimierz Frankiewicz (St Louis)	12	5	3	13
Mike Renshaw (Dallas)	14	5	3	13
Leroy DeLeon (Miami)	14	5	3	13
Art Welch (Atlanta)	13	4	4	12
Carlos Metidieri (Rochester)	12	5	1	11
Willie Mfum (New York)	10	5	1	11
John Sewell (St Louis)	14	3	4	10
Carlo Dell'Omodarme (Rochester)	14	1	8	10
Johnny Kerr (New York)	14	3	4	10

Souvenir Opening Day Ticket

Saturday, May 6, 1972 — 8:00 p.m.

(First Professional Soccer Game in Miami)



MIAMI GATOS
vs. **7766**
TORONTO METROS

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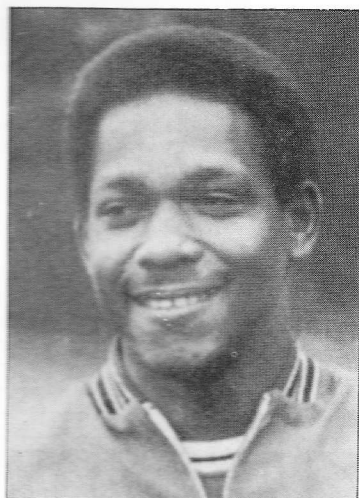
John Sewell (22) in action for St Louis.



1972 Players

C	Player	No.	Born / Citizen	Birthdate	Position	Regular Season			
a	Rouse, Vic	2	Wales	16.03.36	Goalkeeper	4	0	0	0
b	Hamlyn, Alan	16	England / U.S.A.	5.01.47	Defender	14	1	1	2
c	Bracewell, Ken	5	England	5.10.36	Defender	13	0	1	0
d	Cocking, John	3	England	13.05.44	Defender	13	1	1	3
e	Hoban, Mike	4	England	6.04.52	Defender	14	0	1	1
f	Parkin, Maurice	8	England	8.09.49	Midfield	7	0	0	0
g	Papadakis, Alec	12	Greece/ Canada	27.01.48	Midfield	14	0	0	0
h	Welch, Art	7	Jamaica	16.04.44	Forward	13	4	4	12
i	Papadakis, Nick	9	Greece/ Canada	6.03.43	Forward	10	1	0	2
j	Largie, Henry	6	Jamaica	31.12.40	Defender	11	2	1	5
k	Child, Paul	14	England	8.12.52	Forward	12	8	1	1
l	Paton, Danny	10	Scotland	27.01.36	Midfield	13	2	1	5
m	Kammerer, Manfred	1	West Germany	28.09.44	Goalkeeper	11	0	0	0
n	Uriel de Veiga	11	Brazil	28.08.40	Defender	13	0	0	0
o	Twellman, Steve		U.S.A.	14.12.49	Defender	6	0	0	0
p	Carter, Manley	19	U.S.A.		Defender	1	0	0	0

Stadium: Atlanta Stadium, Atlanta, Georgia.

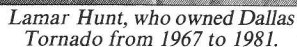


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Mike Hoban

1972 Results

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C	Player	No.	Born / Citizen	Birthdate	Position	Regular Season				Play-offs			
a	Cooper, Ken	1	England	2.02.46	Goalkeeper	14	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
b	Oreco	3	Brazil	13.06.37	Defender	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
c	Benedek, Jim	2	Hungary / U.S.A.	9.06.41	Forward	8	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
d	Cannon, Otey	15	U.S.A.		Forward	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
e	Hall, Dick	5	England	3.07.45	Defender	14	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
f	Best, John	4	England	11.07.40	Defender	14	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
g	Turner, Roy	6	England	30.10.43	Midfield	14	1	0	2	1	0	0	0
h	Renshaw, Mike	11	England	28.04.48	Forward	14	5	3	13	1	0	0	0
i	Psifidis, Vasillis	7	Greece	1.06.44	Defender	5	2	0	4				
j	Juracy, Luiz	9	Brazil	3.05.39	Forward	14	3	1	7	1	0	0	0
k	Moffat, Bobby	14	England	7.10.45	Defender	14	0	2	2	1	0	0	0
l	Tinney, Phil	18	England	15.01.45	Forward	14	1	2	4	1	0	0	0
m	Carlton, David	8	England	21.11.52	Midfield	9	1	0	2				
n	Richardson, John	10	England	5.02.49	Forward	9	1	1	3				
o	Poole, Robin	17	England	1.12.48	Defender	9	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
p	Ferguson, Damien		Ireland	9.10.51	Forward	8	1	0	2	1	0	0	0
q	Bloomfield, Ray		England	15.10.44	Forward	6	0	0	0				

Stadium: Texas Stadium, Irving, Texas.

1972 Results				Cooper	Oreco	Benedek	Cannon	Hall	Best	Turner	Renshaw	Psifidis	Juracy	Moffat	Tinney	Carlton	Richardson	Poole	Ferguson	Bloomfield
1 Apr	29	St Louis	(a) T 1-1 Psifidis	5,785	a	b	c	§	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l				
2 May	7	Rochester	(h) W 2-1 Renshaw, Psifidis	11,778	a	b	c	§	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l				
3	14	Toronto	(a) L 0-1	8,115	a	b	c		e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	§			
4	20	Atlanta	(a) L 2-3 Turner, Richardson	3,128	a		c		e	f	g	h	i	§	k	l	m	n	§	
5	27	Miami	(h) T 0-0	2,984	a			§	e	f	g	h	i	§	k	l	m	n	o	
6 June	3	New York	(h) W 1-0 Carlton	2,157	a			§	e	f	g	h		j	k	l	m	n	o	
7	17	Atlanta	(h) W 3-0 Renshaw, Juracy, Tinney	2,976	a	§	§	e	f	g	h		j	k	l	m		o	p	
8	24	Miami	(a) L 0-3	1,707	a	§		e	f	g	h		j	k	l		n	o	p	§
9 July	1	St Louis	(h) L 0-1	2,978	a			e	f	g	h	§	k	l	m	n	o	§	q	
10	8	Montreal	(h) W 2-1 Renshaw, Juracy	2,881	a		§	e	f	g	h		j	k	l	m	§		p	q
11	15	Rochester	(a) W 2-0 Renshaw, Juracy	5,419	a	§		e	f	g	h		j	k	l	m	§		p	q
12	22	New York	(a) L 0-1	6,518	a	b		e	f	g	h		j	k	l	m	§	§	p	
13	29	Toronto	(h) W 2-0 Renshaw, Ferguson	2,895	a	§	§	e	f	g	h		j	k	l			o	p	q
14 Aug	12	Montreal	(a) T 0-0	1,000	a		§	e	f	g	h		j	k	l			o	p	q

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C	Player	No.	Born/Citizen	Date/ Age	Position	Regular Season			
a	Dias, Paulo	1	Brazil	27.02.44	Goalkeeper	13	0	0	0
b	Tirado, Tony	0	Peru	32	Goalkeeper	4	0	0	0
c	Donlavey, Frank	6	Scotland	22.02.45	Defender	5	0	0	0
d	Macias, Luciano	3	Ecuador	31	Defender	10	0	0	0
e	Tavera, Jorge	16	Colombia/ U.S.A.	25	Forward	7	0	0	0
f	Lecaro, Vincente	4	Ecuador	8.06.36	Defender	6	0	0	0
g	Ramirez, 'Fleming'	2	Peru	4.09.41	Defender	10	0	0	0
h	Fraser, Billy	10	Scotland	12.08.45	Forward	14	1	0	2
i	Archibald, Warren	7	Trinidad	15.11.46	Forward	14	6	5	17
j	DeLeon, Leroy	8	Trinidad	7.02.48	Forward	14	5	3	13
k	Esgalha, Valdemar	9	Brazil	24.11.44	Forward	4	2	1	5
l	Aguirre, Roberto	13	Argentina	10.02.46	Midfield	13	3	2	8
m	E.DaSilva 'Diogo'	11	Brazil	29	Forward	10	0	0	0
n	Evans, Willie	5	Ghana	21.11.39	Defender	9	0	0	0
o	Maca, Alain	15	Belgium/ U.S.A.	10.02.50	Defender	11	0	0	0
p	Arguelles, Rafael	14	Cuba	25	Forward	11	0	1	1
q	Brizuela, Nelson		Paraguay	23	Forward	1	0	0	0
r	Metchick, Dave	12	England	14.08.43	Midfield	9	0	1	1
s	Delgado, Jaime	9	Ecuador	11.01.43	Forward	1	0	0	0
t	Sanchez, Miguel				Defender	1	0	0	0

Stadium: North Dade Junior College, Miami, Florida.

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a	Nusum, Sam	1	Bermuda	3.10.43	Goalkeeper	14	0	0	0
b	Tyer, Ian	2	England	24	Defender	12	0	0	0
c	Decaria, Raul	5	Argentina		Defender	10	0	2	2
d	Barto, Barry	4	U.S.A.	22	Midfield	9	1	0	2
e	Charles, Clive	3	England	3.10.51	Defender	7	0	0	0
f	Pointer, Keith	6	England	16.02.51	Midfield	10	1	2	4
g	Walker, Dennis	7	England	26.10.44	Defender	10	0	0	0
h	Selmo, Renzo	8	Italy		Midfield	14	2	3	7
i	Oliviera, Miranda	9	Brazil	27	Forward	7	0	1	1
j	Wallace, Ken	10	England	8.06.52	Forward	9	2	2	6
k	DiPalma, Rossano	11	Italy		Forward	1	0	0	0
l	Bristowe, Alan	12	Canada	25	Forward	5	0	0	0
m	Miranda, Antonio	16	Portugal		Defender	5	0	0	0
n	Souness, Graeme	17	Scotland	6.05.53	Midfield	10	2	2	6
o	Dillon, Mike	18	England	29.09.52	Defender	10	7	2	16
p	Mascalaito, Luigi		Italy	8.12.40	Defender	8	1	0	2
q	Verdi, Roger		Kenya / Britain	4.02.43	Defender	6	0	0	0
r	Horrocks, Chris		Canada	15.11.54	Defender	1	0	0	0
s	El Mustapha, Abbaddia	19	Morocco		Forward	5	1	2	4
t	Duerden, Peter		England	5.06.45	Defender	5	0	0	0
u	Darrell, Gary		Bermuda	10.01.47	Midfield	4	1	0	2
v	Simmons, Richard		Bermuda		Midfield	4	0	2	2
w	Wheeler, Chris		Canada		Forward	3	0	0	0
x	Adams, Graham		England	1.03.33	Forward	2	0	0	0

Stadium: University of Montreal, Montreal, Quebec.

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Coach: Gordon Bradley — England.

Stadium: Hofstra Stadium, Long Island, New York



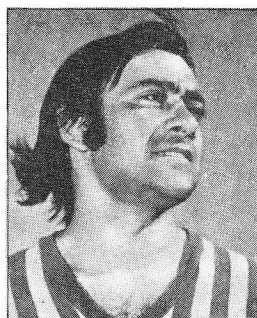
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Play-offs

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Adolfo Gori



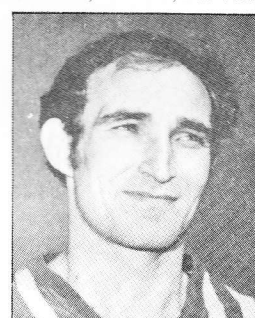
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Eli Durante



Roberto Lonardo



Manfred Seissler

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a	Campos, Claude	1	Brazil	26	Goalkeeper	13	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
b	Gori, Adolfo	4	Italy	.39	Defender	14	2	1	5	1	0	0	0
c	Mitchell, Charlie	3	Scotland	18.05.48	Defender	14	2	0	4	1	0	0	0
d	Lonardo, Roberto	14	Uruguay		Defender	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
e	Short, Peter	5	England	27.10.44	Defender	13	2	0	4				
f	Ullivarri, Francisco	16	Mexico	28	Midfield	2	0	0	0				
g	Breton, Edner	7	Haiti		Forward	8	1	0	2	1	0	0	0
h	Dell'Omodarme, Carlo	15	Italy		Forward	14	1	8	10	1	0	0	0
i	DeBrito, Iris	18	Brazil	29	Forward	11	1	0	2	1	0	0	0
j	Ofori, Gladstone	8	Ghana	8.10.43	Forward	5	1	1	3	1	0	0	0
k	Seissler, Manfred	9	West Germany	8.08.39	Forward	11	4	1	9	1	0	0	0
l	Odoi, Frank	10	Ghana	23.02.43	Midfield	8	0	0	0				
m	Metidieri, Carlos	11	Brazil	18.12.42	Forward	12	5	1	11	1	0	0	0
n	Escos, Francisco	6	Argentina	10.07.42	Midfield	12	1	2	4	1	0	0	0
o	Durante, Eli	12	Brazil	25	Forward	13	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
p	Barone, Gary	2	U.S.A.	22	Defender	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
q	Mella, Ron	1	U.S.A.	23	Goalkeeper	2	0	0	0				

Coach: Adolfo Gori — Italy.

Stadium: Aquinas Memorial Stadium, Rochester, New York.

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a	Winter, Mike	30	Austria/ U.S.A.	2.09.52	Goalkeeper	13	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
b	Sewell, John	2	England	7.11.36	Defender	14	3	4	10	2	1	1	3
c	Tranter, Wilf	3	England	5.03.45	Defender	14	0	1	1	2	0	0	0
d	Frank, Steve	15	U.S.A.	.48	Defender	14	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
e	Puls, Joe	5	Poland	20.08.39	Defender	14	1	0	2	2	0	0	0
f	Draude, Jim	12	U.S.A.	.49	Midfield	6	0	0	0				
g	Leeker, Jim	9	U.S.A.	.47	Forward	11	1	2	4				
h	McBride, Pat	8	U.S.A.	13.11.43	Midfield	14	1	4	6	2	0	1	1
i	Geimer, Gene	20	U.S.A.	31.01.49	Forward	14	1	6	8	2	1	0	2
j	Uranin, Kazimierz		U.S.A.		Forward	1	0	0	0				
k	Pisani, John	18	U.S.A.	.47	Forward	4	0	0	0				
l	Hausmann, Larry	7	U.S.A.	11.08.41	Midfield	11	1	1	3	2	0	0	0
m	Frankiewicz, Kazimierz	11	Poland	8.01.39	Forward	12	5	3	13	1	1	0	2
n	Rensing, Gary	16	U.S.A.	5.10.47	Defender	11	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
o	Roy, Willy	10	W.Germany/ U.S.A.	8.02.43	Forward	11	7	2	16	2	0	0	0
p	Kankam, Yeo		Ghana	.45	Midfield	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
q	Uhlander, Bert		U.S.A.		Goalkeeper	1	0	0	0				

Stadium: Busch Memorial Stadium, St. Louis, Missouri.

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a	Howard, Dick	1	England	10.06.43	Goalkeeper	13	0	0	0
b	Rowan, Barry	17	England	24.04.42	Defender	13	1	0	2
c	Averell, Bobby	6	N.Ireland	25	Defender	9	0	2	2
d	Duerden, Peter	12	England / Canada	5.06.45	Defender	3	0	0	0
e	Talbot, Brian	4	England	21.07.53	Midfield	10	2	2	6
f	Lecce, Tony	16	Italy / Canada	1.01.45	Defender	14	0	0	0
g	Rowan, Brian	3	Scotland	21.07.53	Defender	9	0	1	1
h	MacHattie, Ian	7	Scotland	21	Forward	9	2	1	5
i	Moffat, Gus	8	Scotland	15.05.48	Midfield	14	1	2	4
j	Perrichon, Miguel	9	Argentina	29	Forward	13	0	9	9
k	Fahy, John	10	Scotland	13.05.43	Forward	10	3	1	7
l	Moraes, Jose	11	Brazil		Midfield	12	3	2	8
m	Medeiros, Antonio	5	Portugal	31	Midfield	13	1	1	3
n	Muir, Walter	18	Scotland / Canada	1.12.53	Forward	8	1	0	2
o	Thomson, Dave	14	Scotland	14.02.43	Midfield	5	0	0	0
p	Barison, Paolo	2	Italy	23.06.36	Forward	8	3	1	7
q	Donlavey, Frank	12	Scotland	22.02.45	Defender	6	0	0	0
r	Baldin, Paolo	22	Italy	24	Goalkeeper	1	0	0	0
s	Burns, Tim	15	England / Canada	10.07.47	Midfield	3	0	1	1

Coach: Graham Leggat — Scotland, replaced by Arthur Rodrigues — Portugal. Stadium: Varsity Stadium, Toronto, Ontario.



Ian MacHattie

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