

Date: 18.08.11 Time: 20:00 CST

TEAM: Marquette University

Opponent: Loyola University - Location: Loyola Soccer Park, Chicago

Conditions: Late 70's/Low 80's, no wind.

Lineup: (attach and/or complete on the back)

30 : Charlie Lyon – Subbed at HT

2 : Paul Dillon

3 : Dennis Hollowaty

4 : Axel Sjoberg

22 : John Mau

6 : Ryan Robb

20 : Bryan Ciesiulka

24 : Chris Madsen

18 : James Nortey

8 : Andy Huftalin

7 : Anthony Selvaggi

Subs :

10 : Callum Mallace – Sub for 23 Islami on 12 mins

1 : David Check – Sub for Lyon at HT

9 : Amilicar Herrera – Sub for Nortey HT

12 : Eric Pothast – Sub for Mau 25 mins

This is how the lined up for most of the Second Half with the Substitutions being explained below.



Free Kicks/Corners:

Only 2 attacking corners in the first half in which the delivery was a let down. 1 Corner in the Second Half by 9 Herrera which was cleared at the Front Post. Dissapointing deliveries given their superior Height advantage over Loyola.

On all occasions Marquette sent both Centre Backs up, making late runs at either Posts.

0 Defensive corners conceded for the whole Game.

Attacking Free Kicks were much more of a threat in the Second Half with the introduction of 9 Herrera in which one ended with the second Goal. Both Centre Halves

Defending Free Kicks were dealt with easily by Marquette due to their dominance physical & ariel strength.

<p>System/Formation:</p> <p>Started the Game using a 4-4-2 Formation which was scrapped after around 12 mins with a tactical switch taking off the 23 Islami for 10 Callam Mallace. This Substitution led to Marquette changing to a 4-2-3-1 Formation which they utilized very well for the rest of the Afternoon. The 2 Holding Players (Mallace 10 & Robb 6) for the final 78 minutes dictated the pace of the Game & broke up Loyola attacks regularly. They made a change at HT with the Central Striker Nortey being replaced by Herrera who played on the left side of the supporting 3 Players, moving Huftalin 8 to play the central Striker role for the Second Half. It was a formation that worked well for Marquette & allowed them to dominate a Game in a way where they allowed very little threat by Loyola.</p>	<p>Stand Out Players:</p> <p>The whole Marquette Team were generally better Player for Player than their Opponents.</p> <p>The Stand Out Players for me were the 2 Holding Midfielders (10 Mallace & 6 Robb) However who simply dictated the pace of the Game & consistently broke up Loyola attacks.</p> <p>Mallace had been a regular for the Chicago Fire PDL Team that I have watched before in 3 Games & I have been impressed overall with him, with his fitness, with his reading of the Game, with his passing & with his overall attitude. He appeared to be head & shoulders above the opponents Midfield & even when initially mis controlling the Ball, was easily able to win it back on 2 occasions almost effortlessly from Loyola Midfielders..</p> <p>I was also impressed with 9 Herrera who came on in the second Half & scored & also set up the second Goal.</p> <p>It must be noted that Loyola were not the strongest opposition for Marquette so I believe it would be hard to actually rate any Marquette Player (except Mallace) & I'm looking forward to seeing them against hopefully better opposition later in the Season.</p>
<p>Tendencies:</p> <p>Defensive:</p> <p>A very physical Back 4, especially the 2 Central Defenders who were very dominant against a physically inferior Team.</p> <p>The Full Backs were encouraged to get forward when Marquette were in control of possession & did so on a number of occasions.</p> <p>The Defence was very well drilled & organized by 4 Sjoberg & overall were not really tested a great deal at all so the Game itself couldn't really be viewed as a tough Test on Marquette's</p>	<p>Goalkeeping (strength/weakness)</p> <p>In both Halfs, each GK was very Vocal & assured with 1 Check gaining recognition by being Ranked as high as No. 20 among the top players in the BIG EAST Blue Division, according to TopDrawerSoccer.com</p> <p>Each Keeper's handling was very good as was their Kicking.</p> <p>Neither however really had a save to make nor Crosses to handle but what both needed to do, they done very well..</p>

<p>Defence.</p>	
<p>Offensive:</p> <p>As the Game wore on Marquette looked like scoring every time they attacked. They did appear to take their Foot off the Peddle after scoring the Second Goal. Their Attacks were led by the vision & Passing of Mallace who would look to release the wide attacking Players as quick as possible, or alternatively they would have a patient Build up where their Full Backs would be encouraged to bomb on & did so creating numerous numerical advatnatges against the Loyola Defence.</p> <p>Their Wide Players were encouraged to take on their Full Backs & get crosses in as much as possible, with generally at least 4 Marquette Attackers ready & willing to get on the end of them.</p> <p>It must be noted again that this was a Pre Season Game in which Marquette did appear to see out without too much resistance & that was plain to see as soon as they scored their Second Goal.</p>	<p>Describe goals scored in this match:</p> <p>0-1 Marquette 62 Mins – Left Footed cross from Mallace from around 35 Yards out into the very dangerous area just inbetween the GK & his Defenders which was slotted home on the Volley first time by 9 Herrera.</p>  <p>0-2 Marquette 65 Mins – Left Footed Free Kick by Herrera from the Right Hand Side of the Loyola Penalty area found Sjoberg at the Front Post who managed to find time to miscontrol yet still score.</p> 

Describe in a detailed written response on a separate sheet of paper a response to ONE of the following questions for the team you scouted.

What are the deficiencies of the team you watched and how would you prepare your team to take advantage of them for the next match? Describe at least two specific weaknesses and outline two drills or practice activities you would utilize to take advantage of those weaknesses.

It wasn't easy to notice any real stand out weak points of Marquette as they were clearly a much better Team than their Opponents in all areas of the Pitch.

Marquette are a " Big East League " Team which is one of the better College/University Leagues in the US & it showed.

The one possible weakness would be the potential for them to give away Free Kicks, their Defence especially were very aggressive & did give away Free Kicks that I didn't think they needed to at times & that would be maybe something to look at. To see other weaknesses Marquette would need to be looked at against better opposition than they were up against this Evening.

I would encourage my Forwards to play tight to the Marquette Centre Backs & encourage contact which without a doubt will come.

I would work on Set Plays & mostly Free Kicks from in & around the Box & the rest of the Attacking Half of the Pitch, you can get Free Kicks against Marquette & based on their superiority in this Game, taking advantage of them would be something to take seriously as there wasn't many other specific weaknesses on show in this Game specifically.