



Match Preview: Detroit Waza Flo Pro v. St. Louis Illusion

Following a thrilling 11-10 overtime victory over the West Virginia Quantum Force, The Detroit Waza Flo Pro returns to the friendly confines of Compuware Arena to close out its season with a seven game home stretch. First up is the St. Louis Illusion, Sunday morning at 10:30 A.M.

Waza will be looking for revenge following its 15-5 loss to the Illusion on December 12th. The good news is that the motor city boys will be able to field one of their strongest line-ups of the season.

Tommy Stark returns from a chest injury and Tommy Eller is back to full health and ready to ball. Daniel Trospen is also available for selection after playing three games with the Detroit Ignition.

Brazilian Rogerio Oliveria and Mustapha will also return to the line-up. Both played huge rolls the last time they pulled on the Waza jersey in the 9-4 home opening win versus Springfield.

Bryan Alenky is expected to make his fourth consecutive start between the sticks for Detroit.

Like Waza, St. Louis has struggled on the road this season. The Illusion stand at 3-4 with all its losses coming away from The Game Arena in Glen Carbon, Illinois. Their main issue is that its veterans- also indoor soccer legends- such as Joe Reiniger and Daryl Doran do not travel to the away matches.

One veteran that is almost certain to make the trip is Flint, Michigan native Mali Walton. A teammate of Dominic Scicluna at Oakland University and the only three time All American in Oakland men's soccer history. Walton has won three A-league titles with the Rochester Rhinos and a US Open Cup and has starred for numerous indoor soccer teams.

"I truly think Walton was good enough to be considered for the US National Team," Waza Assistant coach Gronthik Chatterjee remarked when Walton's name came up in conversation.

The match versus West Virginia was the first time this season Waza really buried the majority of the chances it created.

"Last week we focused on getting the ball up to our target man quickly and playing off of him," overtime hero Blake Ordell said. "If we can do the same thing this week we should be able to produce more goals."

If Waza can take its chances and stop a high powered Illusion offense, the trick could well be played on St. Louis who are in desperate need of pulling a first road win out of their magic hat.