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POSTGAME RECAP: Revolution Conclude 2019 Preseason with 2-1 Win vs. KR Reykjavik

BRADENTON, Fla. – The New England Revolution wrapped up the club's 2019 preseason slate with a 2-1 win against Icelandic side KR Reykjavik at IMG Academy on Saturday afternoon. Cristian Penilla opened the scoring for New England, both drawing and converting a penalty in the 11th minute. Reykjavik responded in the second half with an equalizer to level the score at 1-1, before Luis Caicedo recorded the game-winning goal in the 84th minute after finishing a rebound from a DeJuan Jones shot that hit the post.

The Revolution will open the 24th Major League Soccer season on Saturday, March 2 against FC Dallas at Toyota Stadium. The club will then return to Gillette Stadium on March 9 for the home opener against Columbus Crew SC. For up-to-the-minute information on the Revolution, visit the team's official website at revolutionsoccer.net, or join the conversation and interact with fans on any of the team's social platforms.

New England Revolution 2, KR Reykjavik 1 February 23, 2019 – IMG Academy (Bradenton, Fla.)

Scoring Summary:

NE – Cristian Penilla (Penalty Kick) 11'
KR Reykjavik – Andre Bjerregaard (Alti Sigurjónsson) 70'
NE – Luis Caicedo (Unassisted) 84'

Misconduct Summary:

KR Reykjavik – Arnór Sveinn Adalsteinsson (Yellow Card) 5'
NE – Antonio Delamea (Yellow Card) 60'

New England Revolution: Brad Knighton (Matt Turner HT), Edgar Castillo, Michael Mancienne ©, Antonio Delamea, Brandon Bye, Wilfried Zahibo, Scott Caldwell, Cristian Penilla, Teal Bunbury, Juan Agudelo, Carles Gil

New England Revolution (71st minute): Matt Turner, Edgar Castillo, Jalil Anibaba ©, Trailist, Brandon Bye, Luis Caicedo, Zachary Herivaux, Diego Fagundez, DeJuan Jones, Tajon Buchanan, Justin Rennicks

POSTGAME QUOTES

New England Revolution Head Coach Brad Friedel

On his thoughts on the win against Kr Reykjavik:

Coach Friedel: "That was a different type of game – very physical – a lot of challenges going out there. And the players competed, which was nice, because that was one element we were missing against Orlando. We got it back against Greenville, which was nice to see. It was a good team performance today for a preseason game."

On the status of Andrew Farrell, Juan Fernando Caicedo, and Isaac Angking:

Coach Friedel: "Isaac [Angking] is nearing being able to join the group full time. He had a little bit of quad strain. Juan Fernando [Caicedo] is very, very close. He's day-to-day with a little bit of a muscular injury. With Andrew Farrell, a freak training ground accident. It actually was an injury to his eye. It's kept him out even from being allowed to do a lot of anything for a couple of weeks. We'll see what progress he's made when we get back. Hopefully, he'll be with us for the first game, but it'll be touch-and-go."

On making final preparations for next weekend's season opener vs. FC Dallas:

Coach Friedel: "We'll have a recovery day tomorrow down here. We'll fly back home, and then we'll start getting the team together for the Dallas game. All in all, it was a very good preseason. The players worked very, very hard, and we're all very much looking forward to the season starting."

New England Revolution Forward Teal Bunbury

On finishing preseason with a win:

Bunbury: "I think we're in a good place, being able to get – for us – three points in preseason going into the start of the regular season now, I think it's really important that we were able to get a win. I was pleased with how the guys played, how we responded from our last game. I think that was something that was huge. It's been a tough and pretty long preseason, but I think we've benefitted from it. I think we've grown from the start to where we are now."

On how the team has grown over the preseason:

Bunbury: "I think all the time spent together. A lot of the stuff off the field. Just becoming a closer-knit group, I think that's going to correlate to on the field. And also maybe working on some new tactics, some new philosophies, and continuing to build off competition. There's a lot of players that can be starting and only 11 get selected to start. We know it's going to be a long season this year, and everybody is going to have to step up."

On preparing for the season opener against FC Dallas:

Bunbury: "It's now to get prepared for the regular season. Preseason is always kind of tough. I think guys are really excited. I know the fans are really excited for the season to get going. So, we'll get back home, maybe get a little rest, but then we'll start preparing for Dallas."

On DeJuan Jones:

Bunbury: "He's been doing excellent. From the moment he got here, he's been working hard. He asks questions. I think that he's grown from the beginning of camp to now. I think you can tell he's a sponge out there, and he wants to soak things in. He's got a motor, he's got athleticism, and he's also really good on the ball. Really pleased with how his preseason has gone."

New England Revolution Defender Michael Mancienne

On his overall thoughts on the match:

Mancienne: "It was a different kind of game. It was a physical game. The wind made it challenging in the first half...It was a good win and a good way to finish off the preseason."

On what a win in the final preseason match does for the team's confidence:

Mancienne: "It gives us a boost going into the first game of the season. It gives us some momentum as well. Everyone is looking forward to just starting the season now, and I know everyone is happy preseason is kind of coming to a close. We just want to start the campaign."

On preparing for the season opener against FC Dallas on March 2:

Mancienne: "Just to prepare. Prepare mentally. We're already physically ready, I think, now. I think everyone is at match fitness and raring to go."

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