

POSTGAME TRANSCRIPT: September 5 at LA Galaxy

Soundbytes from Head Coach Marko Mitrović & F/W Jack Harrison

Revolution Head Coach Marko Mitrović

On his overall thoughts from tonight's 2-1 defeat at LA Galaxy:

Mitrović: "I'm still processing everything that happened in the game. I felt that overall, if we see the whole game, the whole 90 minutes, we deserved and earned more than this 2-1 loss. I think we created enough situations, and that first goal, a penalty kick, was something that was a really great opportunity that they created, and the second goal. I felt that we had a lot of the game in our control and we played the way we wanted to play, but there were situations that unfortunately we couldn't convert into goals."

On where midfielder Dániel Gazdag, who made his club debut tonight, can fit into the lineup:

Mitrović: "Dániel [Gazdag] can play multiple positions. He can help us when he's wide, he can be inside as a midfielder, he can play as a nine. It depends on the game and on the circumstances, we could use him in many different positions today. He came off the bench as a left-wide forward. After that, he came more in the middle of the field."

"As I said, it's a good thing that Dániel can play multiple positions. Based on circumstances, games, opponents, and what's going on the field, we can use Dániel in any of those spots."

On forward/winger Luca Langoni's performance in his return from a five-match injury absence:

Mitrović: "For every player that is injured, and for being so long off the field, it's very difficult from a psychological perspective. You're working day after day, coming there and waiting for that day when you're going to get back on the field. I'm happy that Luca [Langoni] got certain minutes, but we still have to work and develop his game fitness. He lost a lot in the previous three months, but this is a small victory for Luca, a small step forward. As I said, I'm happy that he's back, and within time, he'll build his game fitness, and we can expect more from Luca.:"

On the team's chance creation and execution in the final third tonight:

Mitrović: "We finished with 25 shots in this game, and we had good situations to score goals. On one side, I'm happy with the way we are creating [chances] right now. Game after game, we are in good conditions to create those situations, to score goals. This game, it didn't go our way."

"We've had a couple similar games. If you remember the game against Toronto [on August 15], kind of similar, where we created a lot, but we just couldn't score. And you have nights like that. We played against a very good team. Also, creating so much against teams like LA Galaxy and having control of the game almost the full 90 minutes, is something that is positive. We just have to keep working, keep getting in those spots, keep creating those situations, and look forward to score goals."

On how the team responded to an early deficit in tonight's match:

Mitrović: "We always try to play the action on the field that is not connected with the score. I think we stayed calm after [being down] 1-0, and we started to get in good spots. Then they scored that second goal, and I think we finished the first half - In one way, we were down 2-0, but 'OK, let's regroup in the second half.' I think we opened the second half immediately with great opportunities in their box."

"I felt that in any given moment, we would score. Even when we scored in the 96th minute, I still felt that we could get there if we got one more attack, and we had that situation on the left side. But I would say the most important thing is that we found our success in a way that we can create and generate so many situations on the field. We just have to keep going. It doesn't matter what the score is in that moment. We just have to take the most out of every action on the field."

Revolution Forward/Winger Jack Harrison

On his takeaways from tonight's 2-1 loss to LA Galaxy:

Harrison: "I think it was a frustrating game. To give up the two goals early was frustrating, but I think we got back into the game. We played our game a little bit more, created a lot of chances. We didn't capitalize on those chances. I think when we did score, it was just a bit too late. I think if we score a bit earlier on, it's a completely different game. There's a lot of positives to take from the game. We have to learn from our mistakes. We have to keep moving forward positively, take the good things, and learn from the rest."

On what the team could have done better in the attacking end:

Harrison: "I think, for myself, just a few technical mistakes. Maybe just trying too hard to get that first goal and maybe just having a bit more composure in the moments that I do create the chances and have a shot. Maybe just putting a bit more emphasis on that to try and get a clean shot off. It's probably the same for the other guys. We were really unfortunate. I know Peyton [Miller] had one off the post, [Alhassan Yusuf] had another one off the post. Another good couple of chances where just some reaction things and just technically it didn't quite come off. Sometimes, these things happen in games and we just have to try and work on those things throughout the week. But, in another game they could all go in as well. I think we're still looking at the game very positively with what we created. But at some point, we have to capitalize on those if we want to put ourselves in a good position going into the playoffs."

On forward/winger Luca Langoni returning to the pitch tonight:

Harrison: "It's another great addition to the squad. You can see the influence that he had straight away in the game. I know he's been working hard to get back to fitness and get back on the pitch. I'm really happy for him to get back on the pitch and have that impact too. You guys probably know better than I do. I see a lot in training, but everybody knows his quality and what he can bring. He's another exciting player that we can add to our squad."

On how the team will approach a quick turnaround with a match at NYCFC next Wednesday:

Harrison: "I think we have to do our best to prepare ourselves. I know we're going to stay [in Los Angeles] tonight, try and get a good night's sleep in terms of recovery. Maybe do some things in the morning to best prepare ourselves for Wednesday. I did forget about how long it takes to get from East Coast to West Coast. It's all part of the adaptation that I need to adjust to. Coming over here, I knew it wasn't going to be easy. But I try to prepare myself. The team and the club do the best they can to try and provide everything. Even if it's simple things like pillows and blankets on the plane to try and get some rest on the plane. I know everybody's doing their bit, everybody's working really hard behind the scenes that not everybody sees. There are those bits of adversity in there, but everybody's doing what they can to overcome that."

On his first impressions of midfielder Dániel Gazdag:

Harrison: "I've only seen a little bit in training, but he's shown his technical quality already. I think even in the game today he had some nice moments getting on the ball and made some nice passes going forward. He has a good right foot. Obviously, I would like to see more of him but [he's] another exciting addition to the squad. The club has worked hard to get these players in. Having Luca back as well, it just makes us stronger and creates that competitive edge, that positive competition that's good for teams if we want to make a good run. I think he's another great addition to the squad. He's a very nice guy, he seems to be settling in very well, very quickly with everybody. I think everyone's doing a good job of making the new guys feel comfortable here."