

INDY ELEVEN QUOTE SHEET
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LUCAS OIL STADIUM – INDIANAPOLIS, IN

INDY ELEVEN HEAD COACH MARTIN RENNIE

Overall thoughts on the match:

“It was a disappointing score-line and a disappointing result for us. I was really proud of the players tonight and felt that we were unfortunate to certainly be down a goal at half time. In the first half, we were on top most of the time and they got a goal out of nothing, really. That was disappointing, and whenever there’s a goal, you think of the things you could do better.

Over the majority of the game, we had lots of chances and didn’t take them, and that’s really the frustrating thing from tonight. At the same time, I’m proud of the players and what they put into the game. Lots of the things we were looking for they did, but it’s just that final ball and final touch has to be a little better. I think sometimes we are in good positions and don’t shoot.

For the majority of the game, maybe my mind will change when I look back on it, I felt at this time we deserve much better than we got tonight. I don’t usually say that, and if I think we didn’t deserve to win, I would say that, but I definitely don’t think that we deserve to be on the losing side tonight.”

On if Louisville’s playoff win last season still haunts the Indy Eleven:

“It’s hard to say, I don’t want to dwell on that too much. Again, not taking anything away from Louisville, because I do think they are a good team and I think they are playing really well at the moment, but there’s a few times tonight where we were punished for every little mistake that we made. Even sometimes when we hardly made a mistake, we’ve been punished, and when we’ve had chances, we’ve not taken them.

It’s really frustrating, disappointing, and obviously it makes it hard for us to get that home field advantage and first place in the group because of the result tonight. We really have to put that behind us. It’s a key part of the season now and it’s not the time to feel sorry for ourselves. I think given the way that we played and the opportunities that we created we just need to really continue on that vein and get that confidence back, get that drive and continue it on. We need to put our best foot forward and make sure that we find form right now because finding form now and doing it in the playoffs is ultimately what the season is going to come down to.”

On if a fully fit Tyler Pasher could have made a difference:

“It could have made a difference, it’s hard to tell. The last game that we played, Jeremy [Rafanello] and Nick [Moon] both played well and both scored a goal, so it’s difficult. You’re going into it thinking of their chance as well. Pasher makes a big difference when he’s 90 minutes fit; when he’s able to play a full game for us it does make a difference. Who knows if it would have made a difference tonight? I think that Nick and Jeremy did a great job throughout the game, and at the same time we have to manage the minutes for everybody the best we can.”