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## ***Press Release***



**Blaze Return Home to Host Maryland  
Erie, PA—June 8th, 2010**



The New Jersey Blaze are aiming to put their season back on track this week after suffering to successive defeats away at Erie and Buffalo last weekend.

The Blaze (1-3-1) will be hosting TSC MD Red Devils (1-1-1) at Rowland Park on Wednesday, June 9th after suffering two losses in as many days. The first blow came in Erie against the Admirals (3-0) when a strong English kick-and-run tactic was used to great effect, resulting in a 4-1 victory for the home team. Coron Short got the consolation goal towards the end of the tie.

On the following day, the lengthy drive continued to upstate New York, when an ultimately even tie handed FC Buffalo (1-1) a 2-0 victory as well as the franchise's first-ever goals. Head coach Rob Napier knew there was work to be done, though was hopeful that things would improve over the coming days before the all-important second home clash of the season against the Red Devils.

"I think we can turn around the season at home. With four of our away games coming over two weekends alone, we knew we would be up against it early in the campaign," Napier explained. "We're focusing on fine-tuning our attacking game and I think we can overturn Maryland (1-1-1) next week before our penultimate away game at FC Revolution."

Meanwhile, the Red Devils have had a mixed set of results since starting their 2010 campaign. After triumphing over FC Reading Revolution (0-4) in the home opener at Cedar Lane Park, the squad were unable to hold off the Pocono Snow (2-2-2), losing 2-0 before the rematch over in East Stroudsburg, PA ended in a 2-2 draw.

The Blaze, currently sitting in fifth place in the Keystone Conference - one below the Red Devils - will travel to FC Reading Revolution's Shirk Stadium on Saturday, June 12th. Meanwhile, the Devils will face FC Sonic on Tuesday, June 15th at Ulrich Sports Complex.

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