

## Shopping lists

**MLS clubs will be looking for help in the SuperDraft to fill holes left by offseason losses.**

With more Things to Do than most teams are **Chicago** and **New York** in the wake of Coach Bob Bradley's move from the Fire to the Metros.

"I knew what I was getting into," said new Fire man Dave Sarachan, who has traded or was about to trade Peter Nowak (New England), Dema Kovalenko

(D.C. United) and Josh Wolff (Kansas City) because of the salary cap. "I didn't figure this to be easy."

Chicago could also lose the likes of Chris Armas, Ante Razov and Carlos Bocanegra for international duty in June and July.

As of early January, the Metros had

only 13 players on their regular roster and the status of three of those was unclear.

In the back, Marcelo Balboa has been asked to take a huge pay cut and Joe Addo is coming off a knee injury. Playmaking midfielder Andy Williams, was being shopped around the league.

Acquiring Nowak from the Revs gives **New England** perhaps the only kind of playmaker suited to Coach Steve Nicol's system: an aggressive slasher who will work

both ends of the field — unless he's traded.

The Revs require depth to ensure they can perform during a 30-game season as they did in the tail end of 2002.

**Columbus** would need a central midfielder because of Robert Warzycha's retirement if John Harkes and John Wilmar Perez also leave.

The blockbuster trade with the Metros leaves **D.C. United** short of a starter up front (Jaime Moreno) and in the back

(Eddie Pope] and also needing big-game experience (Richie Williams) in midfield.

Pope's poise will be missed on a team brimming with fiery types (Dema Kovalenko, Mike Petke, Marco Etcheverry, Santino Quaranta and Ivan McKinley).

Midfield mainstay Mauricio Cienfuegos, expected to be a reserve, could be replaced by committee in **Los Angeles**. The back line needs backups.

**Kansas City** lacked consistency above all else in 2002. Questions about defenders Peter Vermes and Mike Burns must be answered, and the attackers were

very hit-and-miss in 2002.

Left in a lurch could be **San Jose** if keeper Joe Cannon isn't re-signed or forward Ariel Graziani leaves.

For **Dallas**, a goalpoacher is essential and a goalkeeper will be if Matt Jordan isn't re-signed. The current cast is capable but doesn't scare many opponents.

A re-tooled midfield in **Colorado** — Carlos Valderram, and the attackers were in — must be accompanied by an additional forward so Chris Henderson can return to the flank.

— Ridge Mahoney