Sensational start to UAE league

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(AFP) ATTA KENARE **Reverse for runners-up**

Last season's runners-up Al Wahda, also coached by a seasoned German in the shape of former Monchengladbach boss Horst Koppel, suffered a similarly unexpected 2-0 defeat at the hands of FC Emirates in Ras Al Khaimah, where Iranian FIFA World CupTM star Reza Enayati fired a match-winning double.

The reverse dealt Koppel a double blow, denting his side's title ambitions right at the outset, and leaving him with wounded pride in the match-up with yet another fellow German coach, Reinhard Fabisch.



Reza Enayati (L), in action here for Iran against Syria last month, was twice on target as FC Emirates beat Al Wahda 2-0.