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MINNESOTA UNITED FC
(NSC STADIUM)



PUERTO RICO FC

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Previous Match

3-0 L at Cosmos

2-2 at Rayo OKC

League Table

Fall Season

P	Team	Pld	Pts
1	New York Cosmos	7	13
2	FC Edmonton	6	13
3	Rayo OKC	7	12
4	Minnesota United FC	5	10
5	Indy Eleven	6	10
6	Ottawa Fury FC	6	9
7	Miami FC	5	8
8	Carolina RailHawks	6	7
9	Tampa Bay Rowdies	6	5
10	Puerto Rico FC	6	5
11	Fort Lauderdale Strikers	6	4
12	Jacksonville Armada FC	6	4

Combined

P	Team	Pld	Pts
1	New York Cosmos	17	31
2	FC Edmonton	16	30
3	Indy Eleven	16	28
4	Minnesota United FC	15	26
5	Rayo OKC	17	24
6	Tampa Bay Rowdies	16	21
7	Carolina RailHawks	16	21
8	Fort Lauderdale Strikers	16	19
9	Ottawa Fury FC	16	18
10	Miami FC	15	15
11	Jacksonville Armada FC	16	11
12	Puerto Rico FC	6	5

Storylines:

Looking for first road win: On Saturday, April 23rd Puerto Rico FC took one monkey off its back when they won their first game in club history against Rayo OKC. Now, against Minnesota United FC, they are looking for their first ever road win. They have had four chances already and came close once in Oklahoma City when they tied 2-2 with Rayo.

Recap Cosmos: Puerto Rico FC took the field with a lot of confidence and was aggressive from the first whistle, controlling the ball and keeping it on their side of the field. Before the clock reached the 10th minute PRFC had already two shots at goal and a corner kick. While Puerto Rico FC was looking good on offense, the Cosmos leaned on the counter attack and it paid off in the 16th minute when Lucky Mkosana put pressure on the left wing. When he found space he centered the ball towards the penalty spot, where Cristiano Dias attempted to clear it but it went in for an auto goal. The Cosmos worked the clock to protect their lead but in the 84' minute Lucky Mkosana found Juan Arango with a cross for a header into goal. On extra time Lucky Mkosana scored the third to put the final scoreboard at 3-0.

Four games against Top 4 contenders: In a span of 14 days Puerto Rico FC will face four of the NASL's top teams. This stretch started with a 1-0 victory over third place Rayo OKC at home. After that, PRFC traveled to New York where they were downed by the first place Cosmos 3-0. After this game against fourth place Minnesota United FC, they return home to host FC Edmonton, club that is tied in points with the Cosmos for first place.

Pito Ramos 2nd best goal scorer this fall: Héctor "Pito" Ramos only trails Christian Ramirez from Minnesota United with four goals in six games (tied with Lucky Mksoana of the Cosmos). He is PRFC's leading scorer and shot taker and has played all 540 minutes.

Team Leaders:

Goals:

Héctor Ramos- 4
Tyler Rudy-1

Shots:

Héctor Ramos- 16
Paulo Mendes-7
Pedro Mendes-5
Joseph Marrero-5

Shots on Target:

Héctor Ramos- 6
Joseph Marerro- 2
Pedro Mendes- 2
Paulo Mendes- 2

Assists:

Kyle Culbertson- 1
David López Molinar- 1
Pedro Mendes- 1
Paulo Mendes- 1

Minutes:

Héctor Ramos, Rudy
Dawson, Ramón Martín del
Campo, Ramón Soria,
David Meves- 540

Saves:

David Meves- 12

Match Preview

San Juan, Puerto Rico- After a tough loss in New York against the Cosmos, Puerto Rico FC looks to bounce back tomorrow, Wednesday the 3rd, when they visit Minnesota United FC in NSC Stadium, club that is currently ranked 4th in both Fall Season and Combined standings.

Minnesota United is coming off a dramatic 2-2 draw with Rayo OKC in Oklahoma, in which both sides were tied 1-1 entering stoppage time. In the 92nd minute Christian Ramirez gave Minnesota the lead when he received a pass while he was cutting towards goal and shot it with his left leg for the score. One minute later, Rayo OKC secured the tie when Futy Danso headed the ball in for an equalizer.

Puerto Rico FC needs to be aware of Christian Ramirez at all time. His 12 overall goals lead the league while midfielder Ibson is tied for the fall season assist lead. Together they lead a United squad that has scored 28 goals in 15 games.

Meanwhile, Puerto Rico FC was unable to build upon their win against Rayo OKC and loss to the Cosmos in New York. Despite being the better team for the first couple of minutes, PRFC was unable to recuperate from an Own Goal. Now against Minnesota, they want to demonstrate that their performance this past Saturday was not something to get used to and that they are a much better team that can compete with the other eleven clubs in the NASL.

You can watch #MNUvPRFC on ESPN3 starting at 10:30pm or on WAPA 2 Sports after the Yankees vs Mets game. The Club returns to Juan Ramón Loubriel Stadium next Saturday, August 6th to face FC Edmonton. Tickets are on sale at puertoricofc.com/tickets.

Roster vs Minnesota United FC

#	Position	Name	Last Name	Ht	Wt	DOB	Hometown
2	CB	Cristiano	Dias	6'3"	192	5/25/1986	Minas Gerais, BR
3	CB	Camilo	Botero	6'1"	180	3/23/1991	Bogotá, COL
4	CB	Rudy	Dawson	5'9"	170	5/8/1988	Limón, CR
5	LB	Ramón	Soria	5'9"	168	3/7/1989	Alicante, ESP
6	CDM	Conor	Agnew	6'0"	170	4/13/1994	Fortmill, SC
9	F	Pedro	Mendes	6'0"	173	5/13/1990	Goiania, BR
10	W	Joseph	Marrero	5'8"	145	4/9/1993	San Juan, PR
11	CAM	Paulo	Mendes	6'0"	172	5/13/1990	Goiania, BR
12	RB	Ramón	Martín del Campo	6'3"	195	7/5/1993	San Diego, CA
13	LB	Kyle	Culbertson	5'11"	160	11/3/1992	Columbus, OH
14	CM	Brian	Bement	6'0"	180	7/2/1993	Waterloo, IL
18	GK	Trevor	Spangenberg	6'3"	190	4/21/1991	Valparaiso, IN

19	W	Jorge	Rivera	6'0"	157	24/3/96	San Juan, PR
20	F	Hécor	Ramos	6'3	190	5/4/1990	Maunabo, PR
21	M	Michael	Kafari	6'1	175	10/30/1991	Accra, Ghana
23	F	Sidney	Rivera	6'2"	185	11/15/1993	Staten Island, NY
24	GK	David	Meves	6'2"	198	7/20/1990	Arlington Hts, Ill
29	CDM	Tyler	Rudy	5'10"	160	9/29/1993	Olney, MD

Puerto Rico FC previous four games:

At New York Cosmo (3-0 loss)

Starting XI

PRFC 4-4-2- David Meves; Ramón Martín del Campo, Cristiano Dias (C), Rudy Dawson, Ramón Soria; Paulo Mendes, Tyler Rudy, Michael Kafari, Jorge Rivera; Pedro Mendes, Héctor Ramos.

NYC 4-3-3 GK Jimmy Maurer; Hunter Freeman (C), David Ochieng, Ayoze Perez; Ruben Bover; Adam Moffat, Juan Arango, Jimmy Mulligan; Yasmani Duk, David Diosa, Lucky Mkosana.

Goals:

PRFC:

Cristiano Dias (OG) 16'

NYC:

Juan Arango 84' assisted by Lucky Mkosana

Lucky Mkosana 90+3

Yellow Cards

PRFC:

Jorge Rivera 22'

Michael Kafari 82'

Substitutions:

PRFC:

Joseph Marrero García for Jorge Rivera 56'

Sidney Rivera for Pedro Mendes 71'

Kyle Culbertson for Pedro Mendes 78'

NYC:

Sebastián Guezantti for Ayose 76'

Daniel Szetela for Ruben Bover 82'

Yasmani Duk for Jimmy Mulligan 90'

Vs Rayo OKC (1-0 Win)

Starting XI:

PRFC 4-4-2- David Meves; Ramón Martín del Campo, Rudy Dawson, Cristiano Dias (C), Ramón Soria; Christopher Nurse, Michael Kafari, Jorge Rivera, Paulo Mendes; Pedro Mendes, Héctor Ramos.

Rayo OKC 4-4-2- Daniel Fernandes; Kosuke Kimura, Fatty Danso, Sebastian Ibeagha, Moises Hernandez; Sebastian Velasquez, Pecka, Michel (C), Billy Forbes; Robbie Findley, Devon Sandoval.

Goals:

PRFC:
Héctor Ramos 53' (Assist by Paulo Mendes)

Yellow Cards

PRFC:
Paulo Mendes 66'
Kyle Culbertson 90' +1

OKC:
Moises Hernández 72'
Billy Forbes 90' +1

Substitutions:

PRFC:
Conor Agnew for Christopher Nurse 35'
Kyle Culbertson for Jorge Rivera 71'
Brian Bement for Pedro Mendes 85'

TBR:
Georgios Samaras for Pecka 61'
Richard Menjivar for Sebastian Ibeagha 76'
Derek Boateng for Sebastian Velázquez 87'

At Tampa Bay Rowdies (3-0 Loss)

Starting XI:

PRFC 4-4-2- David Meves; Ramón Martín Del Campo, Rudy Dawson, Cristiano Dias (C), Ramón Soria; Paulo Mendes, Christopher Nurse, Tyler Rudy, Evans Frimpong; Pedro Mendes, Héctor Ramos.

TBR 4-3-3- Matt Pickens (C); Darnell King, Justin Chavez, Stefan Antonijevic, Walter Ramirez; Juan Guerra, Keith Savage, Joe Cole; Eric Avila, Georgi Hristov, Michael Nanchoff.

Goals:

TBR:
Joe Coal 10'
Eric Avila 15'
Tommy Heinemann 90'

Substitutions:

PRFC:
Brian Bement for Christopher Nurse 19'
Jorge Rivera for Evans Frimpong 60'
Sidney Rivera for Paulo Mendes 76'

Yellow Cards

PRFC:

Rudy Dawson 33'
Sidney Rivera 76'

TBR:

Micahel Nanchoff 63'
Darnell King 77'

TBR:

Tommy Heinemann for Eric Avila 74'
Freddy Adu for Keith Savage 88'

At Rayo OKC (2-2 Tie)

Starting XI

OKC 4-4-2: Daniel Fernandes; Kosuke Kimura, Futtu Danso, Moises Hernandez, Michel (c); Billy Forbes, Pecka, Derek Boateng, Sebastian Velasquez; Devon Sandoval, Robbie Findley.

PRFC 4-4-2: David Meves; Ramon Martín Del Campo, Rudy Dawson, Ramon Soria, Kyle Culbertson; David Eduardo Lopez, Tyler Rudy, Chris Nurse (c), Paulo Mendes; Héctor Ramos, Pedro Mendes.

Goals:

PRFC:

34' Héctor Ramos (Assist Pedro Mendes)
55' Tyler Rudy

OKC:

83' Sebastian Velazquez
Michel 90' Penalty

Substitutions:

PRFC:

24' Joseph Marrero for David Lopez
73' Brian Bement for Pedro Mendes
83' Sidney Rivera for Joseph Marrero

OKC:

45' Richard Menjivar for Pecka
67' Georgios Samaras for Dereck Boateng

Yellow Cards:

PRFC:

Pedro Mendes 57', Tyler Rudy 59', Ramón Martín del Campo 74'

OKC:

Billy Forbes 32' Pecka 45

Puerto Rico FC Schedule and Results

Date	Time	Team	Venue	Result
7/2/2016	7:30pm	Indy Eleven	Juan Ramón Loubriel Stadium	1-1 T
7/9/2016	7:00pm	Jacksonville Armada FC	Community First Park	2-1 L
7/13/2016	9:00pm	Rayo OKC	Miller Stadium	2-2 T
7/16/2016	7:30pm	Tampa Bay Rowdies	Al Lang Stadium	3-0 L
7/23/2016	7:30pm	Rayo OKC	Juan Ramón Loubriel Stadium	1-0 W
7/30/2016	7:30pm	New York Cosmos	James M. Shuart Stadium	3-0 L
8/3/2016	8:00pm	Minnesota United FC	NSC Stadium	
8/6/2016	7:30pm	FC Edmonton	Juan Ramón Loubriel Stadium	
8/13/2016	7:30pm	Carolina Railhawks	WakeMed Soccer Park	
8/20/2016	7:30pm	New York Cosmos	Juan Ramón Loubriel Stadium	
8/27/2016	4:00pm	FC Edmonton	Clarke Field	
9/3/2016	7:30pm	Miami FC	Juan Ramón Loubriel Stadium	
9/7/2016	7:30pm	Ottawa Fury FC	Juan Ramón Loubriel Stadium	
9/10/2016	7:30pm	Tampa Bay Rowdies	Juan Ramón Loubriel Stadium	
9/17/2016	7:30pm	Jacksonville Armada FC	Juan Ramón Loubriel Stadium	
9/23/2016	8:00pm	Miami FC	FIU Stadium	
9/28/2016	7:30pm	Fort Lauderdale Strikers	Juan Ramón Loubriel Stadium	
10/2/2016	2:00pm	Ottawa Fury FC	TD Place	
10/8/2016	7:30pm	Minnesota United FC	Juan Ramón Loubriel Stadium	
10/15/2016	7:00pm	Fort Lauderdale Strikers	Lockhart Stadium	
10/22/2016	7:30pm	Indy Eleven	Michael A. Carroll Stadium	
10/29/2016	7:30pm	Carolina Railhawks	Juan Ramón Loubriel Stadium	

Staff



Neil Sillett/ Technical Director

Neil Sillett is a former player, coach, agent and current Technical Director of Puerto Rico FC. Over the past two decades he has worked for Portsmouth FC, Coventry City FC and Derby County FC. He has a proven track record in recognizing quality players and throughout his career has helped develop many players into stars in England's Premier League.



Adrian Whitbread/ Head Coach

Adrian Whitbread is a former professional soccer player and current manager of Puerto Rico FC. He played at all levels of English soccer and started his managerial career as an assistant for Barnet FC. He moved on to clubs such as Brentford FC, Milton Keynes Dons FC, and Leicester City before joining the Puerto Rico Islanders where he eventually became the Head Coach. Before going back to Puerto Rico to join PRFC he managed Antigua Barracuda FC, Bahrain's Olympic National Team, and Barnet FC as an assistant once more.



**Jack Stefanowski
First Assistant**



**Marco Vélez
Second Assistant**



Kevin Indhart
Athletic Trainer



Nicky Kirk
Chiropractor



Abner Santana
Equipment Manager

Puerto Rico FC Roster



#1 Austin Pack
Goalkeeper
6'2"
180 lbs
02/25/1994
Alpharetta, GA



#2 Cristiano Dias
Center Back
6'3"
192 lbs
05/25/1986
Minas Gerais, BR



#3 Camilo Botero
Center Back
6'1"
180 lbs
3/23/1991
Bogotá, COL



#4 Rudy Dawson
Center Back
5'9"
170 lbs
5/8/1988
Limón, CRC



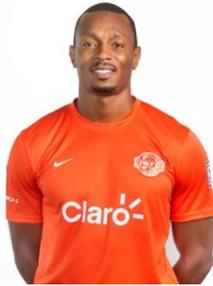
#5 Ramón Soria

Left Back
5'9"
168 lbs
Alicante, ESP



#6 Conor Agnew

Defensive Midfield
6'0"
170 lbs
Fort Mill, SC



#8 Christopher Nurse

Defensive Midfield
6'0"
180 lbs
London, ENG



#9 Pedro Mendes

Forward
6'0"
173 lbs
Goiania, BR



#10 Joseph Marrero García

Left Wing
5'8"
145 lbs
San Juan, PR



#11 Paulo Mendes

Attacking Midfielder
6'0"
172 lbs
Goiania, BR



#12 Ramón Martín del Campo

Right Back
6'3"
195 lbs
San Diego, CA



#13 Kyle Culbertson

Left Back
5'11"
160 lbs
Columbus, OH



#14 Brian Bement

Center Midfield
6'0"
180 lbs
Waterloo, IL



#16 David López Molinar

Left Wing
5'8"
160 lbs
El Paso, TX



#17 Oliver Minatel

Right Wing
5'10"
159 lbs
Campinas, BR



#18 Trevor Spangenberg

Goalkeeper
6'3"
190 lbs
Valparaiso, IN



#19 Jorge Rivera

Wing
6'0"
157 lbs
San Juan, PR



#20 Héctor Ramos

Forward
6'3"
190lbs
Maunabo, PR



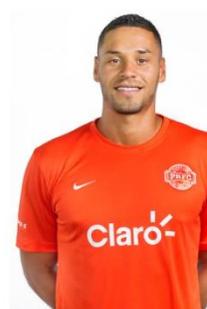
#21 Michael Kafari

Center Midfield
6'1"
175 lbs
Ghana



#22 Evans Frimpong

Winger
5'8"
141lbs
Ghana



#23 Sidney Rivera

Forward
6'2"
185 lbs
Staten Island, NY



#24 David Meves

Goalkeeper
6'2"
198 lbs
Arlington Hts, IL



#26 Bljedi Bardic

Forward
6'1"
170 lbs
Montenegro



#29 Tyler Rudy

Defensive Midfield
5'10"
160 lbs
Olney, MD

About the players

#	Name	Short Bio
1	Austin Pack	Played for University of North Carolina Charlotte where he was named Conference USA Defensive Player of the Week three times.
2	Cristiano Dias	Starting his 10th year in the NASL in which he has played for Miami FC, Fort Lauderdale Strikers and Minnesota United FC, team with whom he won the 2011 NASL Title. Team Captain.
3	Camilo Botero	Began his professional career in his native Colombia with Juventud Soacha FC, Juventud Girardot FC and Independiente de Santafe.
4	Rudy Dawson	Member of the 2012 Costa Rican Olympic National Team and also played for the U19 squad. At 19 played 25 games for Alajuenense, Costa Rica's most successful pro club.
5	Ramón Soria	Played for the Spain National Team at the U19, U17 and U16. Also played in UEFA Europa League for Villarreal FC.
6	Conor Agnew	Top Drawer Soccer Top 50 Freshman in 2013 while playing for the University of North Carolina Charlotte
8	Christopher Nurse	Captain of the Guyana National Team and seven year veteran of the NASL. Second time playing for a Puerto Rican professional football team.
9	Pedro Mendes	Has been awarded Goal of the Year, Player of the Week and Play of the Week by the NASL
10	Joseph Marrero	Rising star of the Puerto Rico National Team that was developed at Academia Quintana. Wears García on his uniform to honor his mother, a champion of youth football in Puerto Rico.
11	Paulo Mendes	Versatile midfielder with experience in the NASL who plays box to box with great energy. Mendes won the NASL title with the New York Cosmos.
12	Ramón Martín del Campo	United States U23 National Team player. On loan from Costa Rica's CD Sparissa
13	Kyle Culbertson	Flew to Puerto Rico for PRFC's open trial and stood out immediately. He was one of Ohio States best players during his senior season. Won Big 10 Championship
14	Brian Bement	Won the Horizon League Championship with Loyola University.
16	David Eduardo López Molinar	Former Isidro Metapán player in El Salvador first division. Turned pro at 16 in Mexico. Has experience in the CONCACAF Champions League. Former teammate of Hector Ramos.
17	Oliver Minatel	Won NASL Fall Title with Ottawa Fury FC in 2015 . Played in UEFA Eurapa League for Nacional of Portugal.

18	Trevor Spangenberg	Drafted by Chivas USA in 2014 and signed next season with New England Revolution. NCAA's lowest Goal Average Against in 2013
19	Jorge Rivera	Rookie and one of Puerto Rico's most promising prospects. Also a starter for the Island's National Team. A product of Don Bosco FC one of the islands most historic clubs.
20	Hécor Ramos	Scored 7 goals in 13 games for El Salvador's First Division runner up CD Águila. Scored 4 goals in the 2nd round of the Caribbean Cup for the Puerto Rico National Team propelling them for the first time to the 3rd round of the Caribbean Cup and two wins away from the Gold Cup.
21	Michael Kafari	He is a native of Accra in Ghana. While at University of New Mexico he caught the eye of the MLS scouts and was selected by the Vancouver Whitecaps. More recently played for FK Ostersunds in Sweden
22	Evans Frimpong	A player well known to our Head Coach Adrian Whitbread Evans was influential when Tampa Bay Rowdies won the title in 2012.
23	Sidney Rivera	Drafted by Orlando City SC in 2015. MVP for Old Dominion University in 2014 and Conference USA Offensive MVP
24	David Meves	Finished his career as the NCAA's all-time leader for shutouts (54) and minutes played (8,608). His four-year goals-against-average (GAA) of 0.50 is the lowest mark in school history and tied for fifth-best on the NCAA's all-time list. He is also Akron's career leader in wins (77)
26	Bljedi Bardic	Played professionally in his native Montenegro but decided to move to New York to continue his career. The 24 year old dominated the NPSL with 84 goals in 64 games
29	Tyler Rudy	Captain of the Georgetown Hoyas. Named to All Big East Team and Top 10 Player and Top 5 Senior in Big East Conference.

Roster and Pronunciations

#	Position	Name	Last Name	Pronunciation
1	GK	Austin	Pack	
2	CB	Cristiano	Dias	Dee-as
3	CB	Camilo	Botero	Kah-mee-loh
4	CB	Rudy	Dawson	
5	LB	Ramón	Soria	SO-reea
6	CDM	Conor	Agnew	
8	CM	Christopher	Nurse	
9	F	Pedro	Mendes	
10	W	Joseph	Marrero García	Mah-reh-roh Gar-see-ah
11	CAM	Paulo	Mendes	
12	RB	Ramón	Martín del Campo	Mar-teen

13	LB	Kyle	Culbertson	
14	CM	Brian	Bement	
16	LW	David Eduardo	López Molinar	Loh-pez
17	W	Oliver	Minatel	Mee-nah-tell
18	GK	Trevor	Spangenberg	
19	W	Jorge	Rivera	Ree-ver-a
20	F	Héctor	Ramos	Eck-tor Rah-moss
21	M	Michael	Kafari	Kah-Fah-ree
22	W	Evans	Frimpong	Freem-pong
23	F	Sidney	Rivera	Ree-ver-ah
24	GK	David	Meves	Meh-vess
26	F	Bljedi	Bardic	Ble-dee Bar-dish
29	CDM	Tyler	Rudy	