

UTAH ROYALS FC @ HOUSTON DASH

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LATEST URFC INJURY REPORT (Thu., 3/29)

OUT:

DF **Alex Arlitt** (ankle 8/15)
MF **Mandy Laddish** (hip 3/5)
FW **Amy Rodriguez** (knee 4/22)
DF **Kelley O'Hara** (hamstring 3/24)
FW **Elise Thorsnes** (concussion 3/24)

INTERNATIONAL DUTY:

MF **Katrina Gorry** (Australia WCQ through 4/22)

INTERNATIONAL FLAVOR

Utah Royals FC – coached by British expatriate **Laura Harvey** – boasts no fewer than 11 recently active national team players on the club's 24-player inaugural roster, representing seven countries. With three each from the United States (Captain **Becky Sauerbrunn**, DF **Kelley O'Hara** and FW **Amy Rodriguez**) and Canada (MF **Desiree Scott**, M/F **Diana Matheson** and DF **Maegan Kelly**), the group also includes a pair of Scandinavians (MF **Gunny Jonsdottir** / Iceland; and FW **Elise Thorsnes** / Norway), as well as an Oceania pair (MF **Katie Bowen** / New Zealand; and MF **Katrina Gorry** / Australia), following the official signing last week of Scotland Captain and DF **Rachel Corsie** ...

2018 #URFC OVERVIEW

Official Club Name: Utah Royals FC
Abbreviations: Utah / URFC
Owner: Dell Loy Hansen
Stadium: Rio Tinto Stadium – Sandy, UT (Capacity – 20,180)
Head Coach: Laura Harvey (hired Nov. 27, 2017)
Records: 0-0-1 (Utah – NWSL)
51-33-26 (Seattle – NWSL)
164-45-59 overall
Captain: Becky Sauerbrunn (signed December 20, 2017)
General Manager: Craig Waibel
Formation: 4-2-1-3 / 4-2-3-1 (*tactical semantics*)

BACK-TO-BACK ROAD TRIPS OPEN EXISTENCE

Utah Royals FC (0-0-1, 1 pt.) continues its inaugural season Friday evening by playing its second National Women's Soccer League match in club history on Friday, March 30 at 6:00 p.m. MT at Houston Dash in BBVA Compass Stadium ... The match marks the second of a two-game road trip to open the season and continues a run that sees three out of four away for Head Coach **Laura Harvey's** side ...

This week's trip to Texas precedes a FIFA international break, prior to a run that sees five home games out of six on the Wasatch Front from April 14 to May 19 ... That critical franchise-opening homestand is kicked off by the club's historic inaugural home game at Rio Tinto Stadium on Sat., April 14 against Chicago (1:30 p.m. MT, Lifetime Game of the Week) ...

Due to concurrent kickoffs Friday night for RSL at Toronto FC in MLS play and the Utah Royals FC match at Houston, the club's NWSL game will be televised locally on a slight delay at 9:00 p.m. MT on KMYU, with an 8:30 p.m. MT digital streaming kickoff on the KSL app / KSL.com ...

VALUABLE POINT AT ORLANDO

Last weekend in Orlando, Utah Royals FC claimed its first-ever point against the heavily-favored Pride with a third-minute strike from MF **Gunny Jonsdottir**, the Iceland WNT captain ... Assisted by Canadian international **Diana Matheson**, the goal came from an eight-pass buildup that started in the back and involved seven different players ... Despite conceding a penalty conversion following a disputed handball call, Royals FC left Florida with a 1-1 draw and 90 minutes competed as a group. Tuesday, Jonsdottir's strike was named the Week 1 NWSL Goal of the Week, as voted by fans ...

APRIL 14 INAUGURAL HOME GAME

Born less than four months ago and already supported by more than 4,000 season ticket holders, Utah Royals FC tickets are available by calling 844.Real.Tix or visiting www.UtahRoyalsFC.com ... The club's 24-game regular season kicked off with last week's 1-1 draw at Orlando and continues with Friday's road game at Houston and an international bye week on April 7 prior to the club's inaugural home game the afternoon of Saturday, April 14 at Rio Tinto Stadium ...

Following the initial two road matches and an international FIFA break the weekend of April 7, Utah Royals FC return home to christen its Rio Tinto Stadium fortress for NWSL play against the Chicago Red Stars on Saturday, April 14 at 1:30 p.m. MT in the league's Lifetime Game of the Week to celebrate its inaugural home contest (which features triple-platinum recording artist **Rachel Platten** to sing the national anthem and provide a post-game concert) ...

Tune in daily to The Mix 105.1 FM and follow the station's social media regularly for chances to win VIP experiences in conjunction with Rachel Platten and Utah Royals FC players and personalities leading up to and including this historic event ... Contest entrants can win a host of prizes, including (but not limited to): pre-game and in-game Platten meet and greets, photo opportunities in the NWSL team's state-of-the-art locker room, April 14 game tickets, backstage access, exclusive inaugural season Utah Royals FC gear and fully-catered Rio Tinto Stadium party suites ...

2018 OUTLOOK

While a majority of the 24-player Utah Royals FC roster is composed of a core of 14 former FCKC players who have played together for years, Head Coach **Laura Harvey's** side remains in search of cohesion and chemistry as a shortened offseason timeline, integration of new international players and relocation necessitates a growth period ...

Early-season NWSL success will be measured by how quickly the team can assimilate into a new coaching style, chemistry, location, and culture, carving not only a distinct identity but a dynamic niche while taking advantage of the foundation provided by the rapidly-growing and expanding Real Salt Lake club pyramid ...

On the bright side, the Utah Royals FC will have seven months of season play to adapt, and will be welcoming opponents to Utah's high altitude — a challenge unseen before in the NWSL ...

The team carries strength in each third of the pitch ... Strong attackers like USWNT star **Amy Rodriguez** and Norwegian goalscorer **Elise Thorsnes** are expected to power through NWSL defenses using their speed and technical ability to get inside the box ...

Royals FC is also heavy in midfield talent, bringing on international veterans like Australia's **Katrina Gorry**, Iceland's **Gunnhildur Jonsdottir** and Canadian "destroyer" **Desiree Scott** — each of whom carry the ability to distribute wide and find open space for attackers ...

The defensive line may be the Utah Royals FC's strongest asset, boasting on former USWNT GK **Nicole Barnhart** and Texas Longhorn prodigy **Abby Smith** between the pipes ... The duo's ability to direct traffic and navigate play means that experienced defenders like USWNT **Kelley O'Hara** and Captain **Becky Sauerbrunn** can build out of the back and keep the ball out of the net ...

Ambitions are high for the club, as everyone from owner **Dell Loy Hansen**, to heralded HC **Laura Harvey**, to club captain Sauerbrunn are expecting nothing less than a rewarding 2018 campaign ... The addition over the last 125 days since the formation of the team of a million-dollar Rio Tinto Stadium locker room home, the most lucrative jersey-front kit deal in American Women's soccer history, and training homes at both the world-class Zions Bank Real Academy and America First Field all indicate the franchise is preparing for nothing less than success ...

KEY DATES IN CLUB HISTORY

November 16, 2017:

A historic day for Utah's sporting landscape as the Real Salt Lake pyramid saw Owner **Dell Loy Hansen** joined at Rio Tinto Stadium by Utah Governor **Gary Herbert** and NWSL Managing Director of Operations **Amanda Duffy** to announce that the club would acquiring an NWSL team for the 2018 season ...

The announcement was made just 24 hours after Hansen's ownership stake and partnership in the NWSL was officially signed in New York City ... The standing-room only event at the Interform Club on the venue's 2nd-floor also came just 15 days after Hansen received an initial phone call from Portland's **Merritt Paulsen** to gauge RSL interest in NWSL opportunities, one which created a whirlwind of exploratory discussions in Portland, New York, Chicago and Salt Lake regarding RSL's NWSL endeavor ...

One day later, the NWSL made official the transfer of FC Kansas City player rights to Salt Lake ... As a precursor to this transfer, the NWSL re-acquired FC Kansas City LLC's membership interest in the league and ceased club operations immediately.

November 27, 2017:

Real Salt Lake General Manager **Craig Waibel** announced the hiring of the two-time NWSL Coach of the Year **Laura Harvey**, the winningest manager in NWSL's five-year history ...

"Visiting with [RSL owner] Dell Loy Hansen, [general manager] Craig Waibel, [RSL MLS head coach] **Mike Petke** and others and having the chance to see their vision for the club locally and the sport nationally and internationally, it was impossible not to get excited about what RSL looks to do for women's soccer," Harvey said. "The facilities and environment that we will be able to offer our players are world-class. This is a great place for me to continue to develop as a coach, and I believe we will be able to make a huge stamp on women's soccer not just in Utah but nationwide."

December 1, 2017:

Unveiling the club's logo, name and colors, the **Utah Royals FC** identity was unveiled two weeks after Utah's intentions to participate in the NWSL for what would be a historic sixth season, and just days after visiting the Nike campus 20 days into its 90-day NWSL production cycle ...

During the previous year, the NWSL celebrated the 500th game in league history — more than the combined total of two prior high-profile domestic women's leagues — as it continued to push women's professional soccer to new heights as the best league in the world ...

December 21, 2017:

U.S. Women's National Team Captain **Becky Sauerbrunn** commits to Utah, arriving as a the club's inaugural player and setting tone for more

than a dozen other former FC Kansas City players to relocate to the new club's Rio Tinto Stadium home ...

December 29, 2017:

Via trade, Utah Royals FC acquired standout NWSL and USWNT defender **Kelley O'Hara** from Sky Blue FC, along with FW Taylor Lytle in exchange for Shea Groom, Christina Gibbons and the #4 overall pick in the 2018 NWSL College Draft ...

Due to international duty in the first quarter of 2018, O'Hara wouldn't be able to join her Utah teammates until March 10, just two weeks prior to the 2018 NWSL kickoff ...

February 5, 2018:

URFC Owner Hansen is joined by multiple players in Logan, Utah, to unveil the club's clean white secondary kit, emblazoned across the front with the **CONSERVICE** logo, to announce **the most lucrative jersey-front partnership in American women's soccer history** ... The reported 3-year, \$2 million deal receives a boost when the team's highly-anticipated primary gold kits are finally unveiled at Rio Tinto Stadium on March 10, at halftime of a standing-room only crowd present for RSL's 2018 MLS season opener ...

February 9, 2018:

Nine members of the club's front office and technical staff are unveiled, most prominently **Stephanie Lee** — a former colleague of Harvey in Seattle with the NWSL Reign — as the Utah Royals FC managing director (and the NWSL's lone female "alternate governor" at ownership meetings) ...

February 15, 2018:

Nearly two dozen players converge on Utah to convene as a group for the first time on the eve of preseason, meeting Owner **Dell Loy Hansen**, RSL club officials, and many teammates for the first time through a series of meals, community events, fitness tests, etc., culminating in the unveiling of housing and transportation assistance provided by the club, as well as the formal presentation of **newly-constructed Rio Tinto Stadium locker room home** for Utah Royals FC ...

February 19, 2018:

Utah Royals FC kick off its **inaugural preseason training sessions** at the \$78 million dollar Zions Bank Real Academy in Herriman, Utah, wearing the colors and kicking a ball for the historic first time ...

Several of the club's 11 international players representing 7 countries would not join the group until the latter half of the preseason (March 12 in LA) due to international duties "For Club and Country" ...

Included on this list of late arrivals are: DF **Kelley O'Hara** for the United States; MF **Desiree Scott**, M/F **Diana Matheson** and FW **Maegan Kelly** for Canada; MF "**Gunny**" **Jonsdottir** for Iceland, FW **Elise Thorsnes** for Norway, D/M **Katie Bowen** for New Zealand, DF **Rachel Corsie** for Scotland and MF **Katrina Gorry** for Australia, who won't report to NWSL until the "Matildas" complete their Asian Cup qualifying tournament for FIFA Women's World Cup 2019 in France on April 20 ...

March 24, 2018:

The club finally takes the field at Orlando in a historic inaugural game, one which will be televised and streamed in Utah via KMYU television and KSL digital, the same broadcast outlets as Real Salt Lake/MLS ... One of the most prominent voices in Utah sports, **Greg Wrubell**, assumes duties as the club's play-by-play announcer for TV/radio, while former Real Monarchs broadcaster **Carla Haslam** — a former BYU women's soccer player — is the club's color analyst ...

THE INAUGURAL 24 HOURS

“This is the Best I’ve Ever Seen”

A 24-hour period in mid-February when the players reported for preseason might have been the most significant whirlwind of excitement for Utah Royals FC in its brief four-month history leading up to the Orlando opener ...

In less than a day, the new team members experienced their first team dinner, met new teammates and coaches — many of whom had played together in Kansas City or elsewhere in the NWSL — and moved into their housing accommodations, received use of new sponsored Ford Eco-Sport cars, ultimately walking through the brand new Royals FC locker room at Rio Tinto Stadium ...

“We set a goal to make this the best women’s team in the world, and if that’s our goal, then we need to provide nothing less than the best,” said Owner Dell Loy Hansen, at the inaugural team dinner on Thursday night, Feb. 15 ...

Yet the dinner was not your typical team outing ... Prior to ordering their meals, the women were suddenly instructed to “Stop what you’re doing, and go outside.”

Unaware of the impending gift, the Utah Royals FC squad walked out to find six brand new Ford EcoSports waiting in the parking lot ... Many of the players were handed keys in the Ford ceremonial car event, and others were given a monthly \$100 Maverik gas card to cover training and community travel ...

“It is incredible how the Utah Royals FC have been able to take care of us like this,” said midfielder **Erika Tymrak**. “I know that the women are so grateful for everything that has been given to us. Everyone is speechless.”

Just 15 hours later, the team arrived to view its \$1-million dollar locker room at Rio Tinto Stadium, which left the women shocked with amazement — shrieks of excitement filled the large locker room, while others were left speechless ... Their new home consists of a world-class facility, with individually-named lockers, a lounge and kitchen area, vanity, training area, exercise room, technical offices, and equipment room ...

Hansen concluded the incredible tour by tearfully promising to fly each woman’s families out for the inaugural April 14 home game at Rio Tinto Stadium ... His closing remarks struck a deep chord of emotion for many of the new team members, prompting gracious hugs, tears, and expressions of gratitude ...

“This has been emotional for me. I’ve been playing professionally for a number of years, and I’ve lived apart from my boyfriend for all of them. So [playing professionally] is a conscious decision that I have to make every single year,” said USWNT co-captain **Becky Sauerbrunn** ... “To have someone like Dell Loy that recognizes the sacrifices that we make—to make that a little bit easier—is wonderful ... We got emotional because there are husbands, there are partners, there are children that are being left behind. To make that a little bit easier, and take that off our shoulders a little bit, is truly amazing.”

MORE REAX:

Dell Loy Hansen

“We created a place that honors the professionalism of this amazing group of women athletes. We’ve always given great treatment to the NBA, the NFL, college football, basketball — but here is the best group of women soccer players in the world. They deserve equal treatment; it’s not even gray. They deserve equal treatment. And I think we came close to providing that true professionalism that they deserve.”

“Today was like Christmas. You can have Christmas and not get anything close to this. It’s like seeing your children with happy faces, almost unbelieving, that they have been able to join an organization that cares this much. We care this much and more. It is them that we honor. We want them to think of themselves as being nothing less than professional athletes, that their needs are met, that they’re honored,

that they have the dignity of being the best women’s soccer team in the world — and we should treat them like that.”

“When I saw their happy faces, I had to cry. We had a shared emotion. It was hard to keep a straight face. I raised seven daughters. I have been highly aware that women are sometimes viewed as not being as capable, or not given near the opportunities that men are. And I have always been a true believer in equal rights, equal pay, and equal respect. When we took this challenge on, we decided that the RSL men and the Royals women, in my mind, are absolutely equal and will be given equal treatment, equal field, and equal respect. While I don’t control the salary cap, I can do everything up to that to let them know I am doing everything possible to create equality. We bend over backwards to build the best training facility for our men — to provide meals, help with housing, help with their immigration — Real exists in a way to serve the athlete so that they can be true professionals on the field. And I think these women will also become better athletes because they have that self-image that they are deserving, and that they will be what they deserve to be. I believe that.”

Captain Becky Sauerbrunn

“Dell Loy has shown us the potential. He has treated us so well; I mean I fly in just yesterday, was picked up at the airport, was driven to my fully-furnished apartment, went to dinner, met Dell Loy, met a bunch of people from the front office, met my teammates that I haven’t seen in a long time, and the ones that are new —and then we went outside and we got cars! You just want to be treated like a professional, and he has gone so beyond that. It is has been so amazing to be a part of that, like it’s only been 24 hours — what’s going to happen in 48 hours? Just seeing the locker room and hearing about the Opening Day plans is so wonderful, and it makes me feel very honored and fortunate to be a part of this.”

“The locker room is fantastic! I have played in a lot of stadiums with the U.S. and been all over the world, and that is a world-class locker room. It has everything you could possibly need, I mean there are robes! You don’t even need a robe — but like maybe I did need a robe?! All of it is so top-notch and so classy, and when we start playing soccer, everything we need is ready for us.”

“When I came here on a visit, I got to meet Dell Loy, and he struck as a man that when he says he’s going to do something, it’s going to happen. So when he told me all the stuff that he was going to do, I thought that this was amazing, and that he was going to do it. And he did do it. He came through with everything that he said. I will never doubt that anything that comes out of his mouth, he’s going to go and do it.”

“You can always throw money and create something, but for him [Dell Loy Hansen], it seemed like this was so much more of a passion. He got emotional and made a lot of us emotional because he’s really trying to understand the sacrifices that we’ve made. To help with that, but then understand all the issues—on field, off field that we come across in our careers — he’s really trying to help. He’s offering us opportunities outside of the stadium, which is amazing, enriching us in the community, and to set us up like that, to meet with powerful women in the community — this is something where people can build a life and build a career playing soccer and also beyond.”

FW Amy Rodriguez

“I just got to Salt Lake City yesterday, and since I have arrived, so much has happened. I am a little bit blown away because everything is so grand and so wonderful. I can tell that our team is in the best of hands and that we have an organization that is going to be the very best. I could not be more excited. I think my teammates and I are ready to get out on the field, and get things going.”

“The locker room is top-of-the-line, and is something that I have never really been a part of. As a professional athlete, this is part of our dream — to play in the best facilities, to have the best organization — and I feel that everyone has rallied behind us. I hope that we can put the best product on the field and show people what the best club in the world looks like.”

“I’ve had my fair share of teams I’ve played on, and stadiums I’ve played in, but this is the best I’ve ever seen. To get to play on it, and

be here, and be a part of this — I'm speechless. This really is the best, and I just can't wait for the season to start."

"I almost feel like I don't deserve this. I feel like this is something that is so special, and to see Dell Loy up there speaking to us, and getting emotional about his passion for this club and for the sport — I just feel so lucky. I can't believe that this is part of my story. I really do hope that we can inspire the next generation of women, and create a movement. I see that Dell Loy is pioneering that for us."

Head Coach Laura Harvey

"It was amazing to see the players' reaction. I think the build-up has been big, but they didn't disappoint. I think Dell Loy promised that he would provide a locker room in a home that the players would want to be around, and there's no doubt that that's happened. I think you saw the girls' reactions is to more than just the building, but to everything Dell Loy is trying to do here. I think it means that these players can actually feel like they're a part of something really special."

"The great thing about Dell Loy is that he's so authentic. You just see how he presents everything to them that he truly cares — it's not about him trying to stage things or make it big for no reason — but he truly cares. And when you have that feeling as a player or coach or a member of the staff, it makes you want to go the extra mile for that man. I think for me, it will be an easy team talk most days when I'm here to get the girls motivated to play, because you want to do it for someone who cares for you. And I think that is something that is going to resonate throughout the team. I think the biggest thing now is that we have to do our job, and I think that is the next stage — we are in a position now to do our job. Our task is to go out and do it to the best of our ability, and we are set up to do that —it's great."

"I think they [players and staff] are just in shock. It's just not real yet. They're sitting now in the locker room and just chilling out. And I see it on their faces, looking around, asking themselves if this is real. And I think gradually over time they'll appreciate what it is. And I don't think it's going to end here — I think he's going to keep producing things and enable them to be the best professionals they can be. And ultimately, that is all they have ever wanted, is to be put in an environment where they can succeed, and they truly believe that they're here now."

"I said when I came here that I was sold on something, and to see that in reality makes me want to go out there on Monday and put out the best training sessions that I possibly can. I think from a players' perspective, they are going to feel the same by showing exactly who they are. You don't want them going out on the field thinking about everything that they're stressing about. You want them to wake up and be the best footballer that they can be, and I think he has set that tone that they can do that. That to me just makes my job way easier."

"Again, I go back to the thought that Dell Loy is authentic. You can't fake that. The moment that happened, I think that everyone in that room knew that this is real, that this is true, that he believes in everything he's saying, and he's going to follow through with everything he's saying he's going to do. When you have someone that is so invested in that, from a women's soccer perspective, every player and coach feels that they have a responsibility to give back to the next generation. When you have someone like Dell Loy that also has that vision, it means that you can truly make something that is going to have a history that is going to live on for a long, long time. And that is super exciting."

NEW 2018 ACQUISITIONS

Rachel Corsie: non-roster invitee to preseason following multiple season in Seattle – Scotland captain signed NWSL contract on March 18 ...

Brooke Elby: 2018 NWSL Dispersal Draft – Played all four seasons with University of North Carolina, logged over 800 minutes in 2017 with the Boston Breakers ...

Katrina Gorry: International signee – Australian WNT midfielder, 2014 NWSL cup winner, 2014 Australia Player of the Year ... (arrives April 22) ...

Taylor Isom: 2018 NWSL College Draft (rights): All-American defender from Brigham Young University ... practice player as 2018 season kicks off ...

Gunnhildur Jonsdottir: International signee – Iceland WNT midfielder, Toppserien league winner ...

Taylor Lytle: Trade with Sky Blue FC – Defender/Midfielder, former member of USWNT U-23 team ...

Diana Matheson: acquired via draft-day trade with Seattle Reign FC in January (Utah sends rights to Yael Averbach the other way) ... Attacker with Canadian WNT, won bronze medal in 2016 Olympics ...

Kelley O'Hara: acquired via trade with Sky Blue FC -USWNT defender, 2012 Olympic Gold medalist, and 2015 FIFA Women's World Cup winner ...

EJ Proctor: 2018 NWSL College Draft (rights): Drafted in fourth round of draft, USWNT U-19 pool in 2016 ... practice player as 2018 season kicks off ...

Abby Smith: via 2018 NWSL Dispersal Draft – finished successful college career as a goalkeeper with the University of Texas, ranked first in Big 12 Conference in total saves (96) ... one of top NWSL save leaders in 2017 with Boston Breakers ...

Katie Stengel: 2018 NWSL Dispersal Draft – 2012 U-20 FIFA Women's World Cup champion ... Former Bayern Munich, Boston Breakers striker ...

Elise Thorsnes: International signee – Norway WNT forward, Toppserien Golden Boot winner ...

RETURNING 2017 NWSL PLAYERS

(Acquired rights from FC Kansas City)

Alex Arlitt: LSU star defender, finished college career ranked third for total appearances ... Begins 2018 season on Injured Reserve list (knee) ...

Nicole Barnhart: Former USWNT goalkeeper, 2013 NWSL GK of the Year, NWSL cup winner in 2014, 2015 ...

Katie Bowen: New Zealand WNT defender, youngest player to ever play for the New Zealand side ...

Maegan Kelly: Canadian WNT forward, drafted by FC Kansas City in 2014 ...

Brittany Taylor Kolmel: Defender, third player in the NWSL to reach 100 caps in the league (announced leave of absence from professional career on March 18; URFC maintains rights through March, 2020) ...

Lo'eau LaBonta: Midfielder from Stanford, discovery player who earned starting position with FC Kansas City in 2016 ...

Mandy Laddish: U-20 FIFA Women's World Cup winner, played every game of college career at the University of Notre Dame ... (Injured Reserve status pending, due to recurring hip injury) ...

Sydney Miramontez: Defender invited to USWNT U-23 National training camp ...

Becca Moros: Professional league veteran midfielder, 2015 NWSL Cup champion ...

Alexa Newfield: Forward drafted by FC Kansas City in 2016, made eight appearances in debut season ...

Brittany Ratcliffe: Played almost every game of college career at University of Virginia, scoring 24 goal ...

Amy Rodriguez: USWNT forward, FIFA Women's World Cup gold medal winner, 2X Olympic gold medalist ... Begins 2018 on Injured Reserve, aiming for April return ...

Becky Sauerbrunn: USWNT defender and co-Captain, FIFA Women's World Cup gold medal winner, 2X Olympic gold medalist, NWSL Cup champion 2014, 2015 ...

Desiree Scott: Canadian WNT midfielder, 2X Olympic Bronze Medalist ...

Erika Tymrak: 2013 NWSL Rookie of the year, NWSL Cup champion 2014, 2015 ...

FOUR PLAYERS TO WATCH

CAPTAIN Becky Sauerbrunn

Fans will want to keep an eye out for URFC captain **Becky Sauerbrunn** as she directs traffic, organizes the team, and keeps the ball out of the back of the net ... Sauerbrunn is one of the most decorated players in the NWSL, winning multiple Olympic gold medals, a FIFA Women's World Cup, an back-to-back NWSL Cup champions, and registering over 130 caps for team USA ... Keep an eye out for Sauerbrunn's ability to lead and motivate her team ...

FW Elise Thorsnes

Making her debut for the NWSL is Norway WNT star forward, **Elise Thorsnes**, who carries a rocket of a shot in her arsenal. Scoring two goals in the most recent Algarve Cup for Norway, Thorsnes (pronounced TORSE – ness) has an eye for goal, and a poacher's mentality ... Look for Thorsnes ability to win balls out of the air, and muscle her way through players ... Her strength and agility will play a key role in getting goals for the new squad ...

DF Kelley O'Hara

There are few things that make a soccer coach more excited than a versatile defender who isn't afraid to get into the attack ... With experience as a goal-scoring forward in college, you can expect O'Hara to be a dangerous threat on the field ... Also take a mental note of how much ground O'Hara covers during the match ... As the regular winner of the USWNT beep fitness test, O'Hara is the energizer bunny that keeps on running, always pressuring the opponent ...

MF Desiree Scott

You can't watch **Utah Royals FC** without noticing **Desiree Scott** bossing the midfield ... Known as "The Destroyer," Scott provides the solid, steady midfield that every successful team needs ... Yet Scott offers more than just her physical play — a high soccer IQ means that every angled run, pass, and touch is deliberate and with purpose ... When she doesn't have the ball, notice how often Scott is checking her shoulder, and adjusting her spacing on the field ... Scott's ability to adapt and think through the game makes her an integral piece for this Saturday's match ...

THREE CAN'T MISS HOME GAMES

April 14, 2018: Utah Royals FC vs. Chicago Red Stars

The countdown is on for the historic first home game at Rio Tinto Stadium. What better place to kick off the Utah Royals FC home campaign than at one of the most recognizable stadiums in women's soccer? Aside from the altitude — unseen before in the NWSL — and an already incredibly loyal fanbase, Rio Tinto Stadium is expected to be a fortress for the Utah Royals FC. On April 14, the team will get to test their skills against a Red Stars team that features USWNT team defender Julie Ertz and Australian striker Sam Kerr, who will likely be on international duty. This is your chance to watch some of the greatest players in the world go head to head.

The fun doesn't end with the final whistle. Included in your match ticket is access to a post-game concert with American singer and Emmy-winner Rachel Platten at Rio Tinto Stadium.

April 28, 2018: Utah Royals FC vs. Portland Thorns FC

The second home match for the squad will be against the 2017 defending NWSL Cup Champions, the Portland Thorns FC. Be there to witness USWNT defender Kelley O'Hara take on her USA teammate, midfielder Tobin Heath. Another match-up to look for is the Thorns' 2017 NWSL Goalkeeper of the Year, Adrianna Franch, going up against USWNT goal-scorer Amy Rodriguez — who will be looking to make her comeback from ACL surgery this season.

June 27, 2018: Utah Royals FC vs. Seattle Reign FC

While the Utah Royals FC is still too new to have a rival, the Seattle Reign FC come pretty close. There is no doubt that head coach Laura Harvey and midfielder Diana Matheson will be excited to play against their former club. Aside from the historical intrigue, the Utah Royals FC will also face USWNT forward and FIFA Women's World Cup winner Megan Rapinoe at Rio Tinto Stadium.

ROYALS FC TICKET INFO

URFC is offering a season ticket experience to fans that is unique and unseen to any other team in the NWSL. Not only do season ticket holders save significantly over day-of-game prices, but will be given exclusive access to 12 regular-season home games at the fortress that is **Rio Tinto Stadium**. Built for the ultimate soccer experience, **Rio Tinto Stadium** is home to a legacy of die-hard fans and a championship teams.

Saturday marks the first step towards playoff glory. Those with season ticket packages will have the first right of refusal for potential URFC playoff matches — games that you can't afford to miss.

What better way to support the team than to boast your URFC gear? Season ticket holders also received discounted merchandise at both Stadium and Downtown team stores. New gear is being added each week — including Utah Royals hoodies, t-shirts, socks, jerseys, phone cases, and more!

Finally, season ticket holders will be invited to exclusive "Meet the Team" events, and resale access to purchase tickets for some of the hottest non-NWSL events at both **Rio Tinto Stadium** and **Zions Bank Stadium**. As our way of saying thank you, we will also throw in a **Utah Royals FC** Inaugural Season gift.

It's no secret that the Utah Royals FC are stacked with talent. Salt Lake City is now the home to numerous international players, including heralded USWNT members **Becky Sauerbrunn**, **Kelley O'Hara**, and **Amy Rodriguez**. Each with over 100 caps for team USA, these FIFA Women's World Cup winners will also be playing alongside other stars, such as Norway's starting forward, **Elise Thorsnes**, and Canadian midfielder, **Diana Matheson** — who currently holds over 200 caps for Canada WNT.

Meanwhile, URFC also includes NWSL veterans — players that have been finding success in the league for years, such as 2013 NWSL rookie of the year and two-time NWSL Cup winner, **Erika Tymrak**, or former USWNT goal-keeper and 2013 Goal Keeper of the year, **Nicole Barnhart**. Whether you're a student of the beautiful game, or just a thrill-seeking fan, the **Utah Royals FC** have something for everyone.

Another advantage to buying season tickets for the **Utah Royals FC** is that you can count on every single game being competitive. As the top female soccer league in the world, the NWSL hosts one of the most talent-concentrated seasons in women's athletics. Each week you can count on USWNT members playing against each other at **Rio Tinto Stadium**, followed by other global stand-outs like Marta from the Orlando Pride, Tobin Heath from the Portland Thorns FC, and Julie Ertz with the Chicago Red Stars.

Buying season ticket packages gives you the power to witness history. Be a part of the URFC's inaugural home game at the RioT, or be there to celebrate when the Utah Royals score their first goal for the organization. Keep up with the team as they fight to win a Supporters Shield, and work towards NWSL playoff glory. If you are interested in joining the URFC family, now is the time to join.

Utah Royals FC Supporters Group seating area will be located in Sections 28/29 behind the NORTH goal at Rio Tinto Stadium, with season tickets at \$120 for the 2018 campaign (this \$10 per game area could expand due to high demand).

Four levels of General Seating are available at Rio Tinto Stadium for the inaugural **Utah Royals FC** campaign, with \$300 West Side Front Row seats in Sections 17 and 21 (Platinum Membership) and \$240 season tickets in the adjacent rows of those sections (Gold Membership). Other West Side sections reflect a Silver Membership, including 15-16 and 22-23 are priced at just \$180 for the 12-game season, as are East Side RioT Sections 1, 2, 37 + Fieldside Areas of 3 & 36.

For just \$120, **Utah Royals FC** Bronze Membership locations are East Side RioT Sections 4, 5, 15, 23-35, as well as the top half of Sections 3 & 36).

PRESEASON QUOTE SHEET

DF RACHEL CORSIE

Playing for Laura Harvey:

"It was a really exciting day when Laura called. I didn't really know what to say when she asked me to come out to training camp, other than I would absolutely love to be there. I had seen everything on social media — everything that the club was trying to do — watched some of the interviews that Becky had done, and I think that was something that was huge for the league as a whole, and the opportunity to be a part of that is something that I was excited about. It's a privilege to just be asked here, and it is something I have thoroughly enjoyed. I'm excited to get started."

Arriving at the Club:

"The greatest thing I've enjoyed over the last month is how welcoming the team has been, everyone from the staff to the club as a whole — and I think that is huge to success. When you're comfortable, it's something that allows you to focus on the field, and I think that has been one of the biggest factors in allowing the team to progress over the last four weeks in preseason. Everyone is contributing. Everyone is playing their part. Everyone is happy. And I think that will give us the best chance as possible."

Thoughts on Utah's soccer culture:

"Utah is a place where I had no expectation, no idea what it would be like. For me, coming from an international background, coming from Scotland, it was something great to experience. And I love that every morning the sun's coming out, and even when it's been cold, I think it puts a smile on your face."

"I think something I always to aspire to be is a good teammate. I think when you're a senior player — the word I like to use instead of an old player — there is an expectation to ensure that everyone is comfortable, and everyone feels part of the club and the environment. There is a huge amount of responsibility, as well as communicating on and off the pitch, and I think that's something I'm good at, and I enjoy doing."

"I'm a defender, which means I like to add a bit of fit—a bit of grit. I love to win, and I will do everything I can to give my team the best chance, through every single day in training, and on the pitch."

"I've played in the league for the last three seasons. I think it's an extremely tough league — extremely competitive — and I'm going to take some of that toughness into the season. The added international experience also adds competitiveness to the league, when you can add top-level players to every game, and I think that is something we can really add as a club, we've got a lot of experience across the board."

URFC chemistry:

"The greatest thing I've enjoyed over the last month is how welcoming the team has been, everyone from the staff to the club as a whole — and I think that is huge to success. When you're comfortable, it's something that allows you to focus on the field, and I think that has been one of the biggest factors in allowing the team to progress over the last four weeks in preseason. Everyone is contributing. Everyone is playing their part. Everyone is happy. And I think that will give us the best chance as possible."

Thoughts on the April 14 RioT opener:

"I think home games are one of the best experiences. I think for this club and for this city, if we can pack the stadium on April 14, it will be a fantastic experience. As a team and as players, we absolutely want to play the best we can to ensure that we win that game — that is our aspiration."

CAPTAIN BECKY SAUERBRUNN

Thoughts on the upcoming season:

"Everything is coming together. We have gotten the roster together, and so are really hitting home on a lot of tactics. Laura has been showing us a lot of film and trying to get everyone on the same page. Preseason isn't that long, so if we can get everyone on the same page, then you can hit the ground running."

"Laura is someone that I've really looked up to, and playing against her for the last five years, and to learn from her — and everything I've heard from her and her reputation — she obviously is one of the best coaches in the league, and in the world. So I am already learning a lot from her, and I feel very fortunate."

Team chemistry concerns?:

"I think it is really exciting because we have a core group of players that have played together for almost five years, and then you have these new players that add something new to the table, and so to get everyone on the same page may be tricky, but in the end it is going to make us more dynamic."

Establishing a new NWSL club:

"It's extraordinary because you see so much of what goes on behind the glass mirror, and there is so much that goes into it that allows us to focus on the soccer. The way that everything is done is so professional, and all the resources that have been made available to us, and it is one of the most professional environments that I have been a part of — and I feel so fortunate to be a part of that."

DF KELLEY O'HARA

Learning from Laura Harvey:

"Today (March 12) was my first training with her on the field, and last night I did a video session with her — and today we are already getting into tactics — so I am already so excited to be able to learn from her, and play for her, and develop as a player."

Establishing a new NWSL club:

"I've only been here for a few days with the club, and everyday I'm like 'this is so professional'. I've been blown away. There really are no words because nothing rivals this. I'm pretty happy to be here."

Thoughts on April 14?:

"Is it April 14 yet? I'm stoked. I'm excited for our first game of the season, but I'm also looking forward to the home opener and playing in Utah in front of our fans, and being at the RioT."

What do you know about the Utah soccer community?:

"My first day in Utah was for the home opener for RSL, and unfortunately the game didn't go as well as we wanted it to, but the fans were awesome — we got to hang out with some of the fans — and just the energy inside that stadium was incredible. I'm excited to a part of not just the soccer community, but the Utah community in general. I'm looking forward to just getting involved and being a part of everything that is Salt Lake, and that is Utah."

Team Chemistry thoughts:

"I think it is pretty exciting because a lot of the players have played together before. I've played with a couple of them, but it will be interesting to see us blend, and to see everybody learning about each other, the chemistry on the field, the tactics that Laura will implement, and hopefully build a championship team."

PRESEASON QUOTE SHEET (cont'd)

FW AMY RODRIGUEZ

Playing under Laura:

"I feel so lucky. When I got drafted to the team, I looked forward to the opportunity to play under her. I never got to do that because of the birth of my first son. Laura is a big-time coach with a lot of accolades, and I think that she is going to bring out the best in me as a player. I have faith that she is going to help this squad and bring us to a championship that we can bring back to Utah."

Establishing new club in Utah:

"Joining the RSL family is pretty cool. It's cool that we have an MLS brother that has led us along this path of success and championship. We hope to have the same and have a dual partnership in Utah. We want to excite the fans and create a big buzz. What better than to have an MLS and NWSL championship in the same year?"

"After moving my family to Utah, I would love to tap into the youth scene in Utah, and hopefully bring out some future NWSL stars. I can only hope that we are going to encourage and motivate other youth to join in on the NWSL and see more Utah faces."

Thoughts on April 14?

"I can't wait for the home opener. I do realize that the home opener is just the beginning. It will be the first time that the home crowd can see us play. In my mind, I just want to play a solid game and hopefully come away with a win, but also realize that is a building block in the game. What we really want to win is a championship at the end of the year, so whatever our path is there, I hope we use our first home game as a way to build us up and build a strong squad that wins games."

Establishing team chemistry / cohesion:

"Building chemistry is the typical question of every season, whether it's a new team or not, it is all about getting the best chemistry out on the field, and that takes time. With a month long preseason, who knows what kind of chemistry we are going to have. We have our work cut out for us. I think we have a small advantage coming from Kansas City, and I think Laura has done a great job with the staff of putting everything together. Only time will tell."

MF DESIREE SCOTT

Playing under Laura?:

"I am super excited to play under Laura Harvey. I think she is one of the best coaches in the league, and I know I am going to learn a lot while under her belt. I think I am going to learn a lot of tactics and develop as a player. I think she allows us to have that freedom on the pitch."

Playing for the club?:

"From the few days that I have been here, it is been incredible — the fans have been incredible. We got to meet a lot of the fans at the Real Salt Lake game, and they have just been so excited to know that we are here, and I am pumped to get out on the pitch and show them what kind of soccer we are going to bring this season."

Thoughts on the Utah soccer community:

"I love interacting with the fans, so I am all about the energy and the good vibe. So I am all about a new team coming to the city and interacting with the fans and getting them excited about women's football being here."

Team chemistry establishment:

"It definitely takes time and takes patience, but it can also be exciting. We have a core group that is solid from Kansas City, but then are

adding a few additions from across the league that are going to spice things up a little."

Thoughts on April 14?

"My family is going to be in the stands which is super exciting. I finally will get to play in that beautiful stadium — I know it will be an incredible match if the altitude doesn't kill me, but I am pumped."

M/F DIANA MATHESON

Playing under Laura?

"I am pretty excited because last year I signed with Seattle and never got to actually play for her. I love the way she sees the game and can't wait to play this season."

Playing for the new club:

"The welcome we have had in Utah, and the job that the club has done so far has been incredible. I think we feel the support that we have already before we ever step on the field. I think it's going to be a big honor and be pretty exciting when we step on the field for the season."

"Hopefully I can bring some exciting soccer games. I think we are going to be a pretty relatable team — people can come out and meet us and cheer us on. Hopefully our games are something else that people can do in the summer."

Building team chemistry:

"Team chemistry will be different this year because it's a new club. I think there are going to be some growing pains as we all get used to each other, but I mean, it's a great group of people so I think it will happen pretty quickly for us."

Thoughts on April 14 at RioT:

"I am so excited. That stadium is fantastic and I can't wait to play in it. My family is going to be there and hopefully we get an amazing crowd and put on a great performance on the field."

MF MAEGAN KELLY

Playing for Laura Harvey:

"She is fantastic. Her attention to detail and wanting to do anything and everything to get us prepared for the season is very encouraging. To be able to see that for a coach makes you want to work hard for her."

Creating a new NWSL club:

"This club has been amazing. It has everything that I could have ever dreamed of and more. Everyone who works here is awesome. When I'm even just around the city, people are stopping me and telling me that it's so great to see you—it has been so warm and welcoming. That is all I could have wished for is having that warm, welcome feeling."

Thoughts on Utah soccer community:

"By playing professional women's soccer, I think we can inspire those dreams for little girls to play professional and to play for their national teams — to do all the things that we dreamed of as little kids — to make it more of a reality for them and show them that it's obtainable."

Creating team chemistry:

"Team chemistry has been really good; the vibe from everyone of meshing has gone well. I think Dell Loy wanting to make this a family atmosphere has brushed off on everyone else, and has made everyone fully embrace each other, regardless of where they came from or whatever their situation was before —and that has been huge with everyone being so welcoming."

PRESEASON QUOTE SHEET (cont'd)

MF MAEGAN KELLY (cont'd)

Thoughts on April 14?:

"We went to the men's game this past weekend and were able to see the fans and how they are all cheering on RSL, and it was a little sneak peek of what we could get. I am excited to see the fireworks, the fans, the drums, and the smell of churros in the stadium."

MF GUNNY JONSDOTTIR

Playing under Laura:

"Playing under Laura has been wonderful. I was actually sad to be away for two weeks during preseason, but getting back was great because Laura is such a great coach. She knows exactly what she wants and she knows exactly what she wants from each player, and she is very clear about it. Because we have such a short preseason, it is good to have a coach that is like that because you know from the start what she wants from you. The quicker you have that in your head, the quicker you will form a good team."

Building a new club from scratch:

"I never thought I would grow such a big heart for a club so early, but I definitely feel at home. I grew up in the same club my whole life, and yet I already feel the same way about this club that I did about my last one. There is something so homey about it, and I think Dell Loy has created such a great community environment around us, that I think it has made the transition way easier. My heart is definitely a royal heart."

Thoughts on soccer in Utah:

"I think the Royals in general will bring in role models, to show that there is potential out there in the women's soccer leagues. I remember when I was younger, having one or two role models to show me that this was possible, was enough to push me to get to where I am today. And whether that is going out to coach, or going out to schools to talk to these girls, or just getting them to the games — it all helps them to know that this dream is possible, and that they can conquer whatever they want. They can do it."

Team chemistry establishment:

"I didn't know anyone when I came in here, but all the girls have helped me feel at home. I think that helps. I think it is a good mix of girls that have been playing together, but then also a mix of girls that haven't — but everyone has been very welcoming, and that helps."

Thoughts on April 14?

"Win."

GK NICOLE BARNHART

Playing under Laura:

"Playing for Laura is fun. It has only been a short preseason, but I like her philosophy. She has been trying to incorporate her teaching with what we have done in the past, and so it's been good. I'm looking forward to see what it brings."

Playing for the club?

"This is a dream come true. We are being treated like professionals. Having everything you need to succeed in your hands, so now it is up to us to perform and get the job done on the field."

Thoughts on Utah:

"Being a role model and a leader for the youth. Hopefully we can get a lot of youth and adults to our games, and be a role model and example to all of them. I want to show them that we are strong, powerful women, and that we love what we do—and the opportunity to play soccer. We hope that they can come out and support us."

Team chemistry:

"I think it's good that have that core that played together in the past, but I also think it's good to have some fresh faces in there, and to build on what we have. Hopefully these new additions can make us a bit more competitive and make us a bit better than what we were. You always hope that with each season you can get a little bit better and improve, and that is what we are looking to do here."

Thoughts on April 14:

"I'm hoping it's a packed house. We went to the men's game the other week and to see the excitement and energy there — I think we all hope to see that energy there. And I know we are all very anxious to get out there in front of our home fans and play on that awesome field, and just represent our team and our fans, club and community."

GK ABBY SMITH

Playing under Laura:

"Laura is a great coach. I think she is very technical and very smart. I feel that I am learning a lot from her on and off the field. I can't wait to grow under her soccer IQ."

Playing for the newest NWSL club:

"It is unbelievable. The club's been great to us, and I feel that the environment has been so professional. We have everything we could ever ask for and more, so now it's up to us to do our parts on the field and get the job done."

Thoughts on Utah soccer community:

"I feel like the Utah soccer community is pretty intense. I feel like the fans are awesome — they have shown so much love and support for us, and I know we are so thankful for that, because it is different in different states. We are fortunate that this state has been all open arms and great to us."

"We can be out in the community more and get to know the fans. I think we need to invest in the fans because they're investing in us."

Establishing team chemistry:

"I feel like it's hard work, but it can also be good because we get everybody's strengths. We are learning to build off of that, and learning about each other's tendencies, and I think that is going to huge as we enter the first game. As the season goes on, I think we can build off of that and really mesh that."

Thoughts on April 14:

"I am so excited for the home opener. We are excited to have our family there and all the fans and can't wait to show that we are here to play and compete."

D/M TAYLOR LYTLE

Playing under Laura:

"Playing under coach Harvey is something exciting and new. She definitely has a vision for this team."

Playing for the club:

"It is such an honor. We have been treated like royalty here, and it definitely makes us want to go out and fight for each other."

PRESEASON QUOTE SHEET (cont'd)

D/M TAYLOR LYTLE (cont'd)

Thoughts on the Utah soccer community:

"Going to the Real game last week gave us some insight on the soccer community — that they are definitely supportive and excited for a women's team to be here. We want to be involved with as many things as possible so that we can get more fans out, and show the community that we appreciate them supporting us."

Team chemistry build:

"It's something new for everyone. It was definitely a challenge coming in because you didn't know where you were going to fit in, but thankfully, all of us have meshed really well together."

Thoughts on April 14?

"I'm excited! We want to go to Rio Tinto Stadium and go out there and show everyone what we are made of."

MF LO'EAU LABONTA

Playing under Laura:

"I've heard nothing but good things about Laura Harvey, so I'm really excited to play under her. We've already been here for a few weeks now, and I've already learned so much from her and her style, so I'm really hoping that I will be able to execute as one of her players."

Playing for the club:

"Since we came from Kansas City, I think it's amazing that we are not being treated like professionals. It's amazing that I've gotten texts and calls from people all over the league who are envious of our situation. All I've heard is that you all deserve this—that you have been through so much these last few years—the fact that you are being taken care of is amazing. Now all we have to do is execute on the field because we have been taken care of with everything off the field."

Thoughts on Utah soccer culture:

"Our first real involvement with the fans was at the Real Salt Lake home opener — and we had a huge turnout. You see people walking around in gold and Utah Royals FC stuff and I was just thinking 'Oh my gosh, we are known here.' People haven't even seen us play and we already have a huge backing and support, which only motivates us to do more for the city. I think it's amazing that we have that support, but we owe them that much more—not just in games—but off the field, do community service, be involved. If they're going to back us on the field, we need to do the same off the field."

Team chemistry establishment:

"I think everyone here is already so talented, so when you bring that talent, it makes it so competitive. I think we are just working off of that, and everyone is having to step up. With that, you are seeing how the player next to you plays — so it's definitely a process. You can't just take eleven players from anywhere and just expect them to play great out there. Preseason is that time to try new things and learn who works well with each other — which is good because we have great chemistry off the field. We have great girls, great personalities, so now we just have to bring that on to the field and see what works together."

Thoughts on April 14 at RioT:

"I am beyond stoked to see what the turnout is going to be as far as fans. Every player has family coming out, so all these girls are going to want to put everything out there, so I am beyond excited to see what the turnout is going to be like."

FW KATIE STENDEL

Playing under Laura:

"It's been a long three-week preseason as we get ready to play against Orlando in the first game. It's been an honor to play under coach Harvey. She's already taught us so much. She's such a smart, tactical coach that it's been an incredible journey."

Playing for the new club:

"The club has been great. It means a lot to be a Royal already, and it's been a whirlwind experience — a little step up from the past club — so it's been good."

Thoughts on Utah:

"The soccer community here has been great — like way more fans than I'd ever expected. I think Dell Loy puts in a lot of work behind the scenes. It was incredible at the Carnival to have so many different types of people come up and say they have season tickets. It's been great to have a lot of support at home."

Team chemistry concerns?:

"It's always a challenge — especially in preseason — to mesh the old with the new. It is helpful that some players have played with each other because they know tendencies and how to mesh, but it's always great to bring in new players, and every year with draft picks and invitees, and getting everyone on the same page. I think Laura's done a great job of getting everyone on the same page. It's been interesting to get a big, huge group with a lot of personalities, but I think it's been good. We've transitioned very well."

Thoughts on April 14?

"Family, friends, and all of Utah should be there. It's going to be a huge game, so I'm hoping that we can represent the Royal name and get a win for Utah."

M/F ERIKA TYMRAK

Playing under Laura:

"I've been so excited and giddy to play the first season game. It's been such a good journey so far, and I think we are all so excited to put our heart out on the field because that's what we do it for — all our training and long hours so that we can go out and have a good performance on the field. Playing for Laura has been awesome. I've been playing against her for several years, and so it's really nice to be on the other side of it, and be coached by her. She's incredible, and I have so much to learn from her."

Playing for the club:

"It's been incredible. It's one of those things that just gets better and better. We're just excited to be able to show our appreciation on the field."

Thoughts on Utah:

"I have been blown away with the Utah soccer community. Whether it's appearances or social media, or just being around town, everyone is so nice and so genuine. You can feel like the genuine excitement. We're just excited to be a part of the community. We want to do everything we can to get to know the fans, the supporters, and we would love to mingle with them as much as we can."

Team chemistry:

"It's definitely been an interesting situation with a bunch of us coming from Kansas City, but I think it gives us a core group of girls that has good chemistry. I think Laura has done a good job of putting together a team, and I think the players on the team are people that she's picked out. I think it all works — we are just going to keep moving forward with chemistry."

PRESEASON QUOTE SHEET (cont'd)

M/F ERIKA TYMRAK (cont'd)

Thoughts on April 14:

"I'm just excited to walk through that tunnel and be a part of the atmosphere. This'll be our first actual stadium to play in, and as a pro, you can't beat that. So we are all over buzzing over that and are probably overly-excited; on game days we're probably going to have to check our heart rates before the game. But there are so many good vibes going into it — everyone has such positive vibes, and that's all that matters."

DF BECCA MOROS

Playing under Laura:

"With one week before the season, I've been very focused on what Laura wants me to do, and how I fit into the team structure and tactics. We were missing a fair number of the players for a some time, so now I think some of that nitty gritty detail and analysis is going to come into how we play together — so I want to be cognizant of what my role is and how to help the team."

Playing for the club:

"One of the coolest things about this club is just how competitive it is from the top down. We're obviously extremely competitive on the field, however the management and staff is also very competitive — and wants to do more than just the status quo or what's expected — but turn over new stones and new opportunities. They want to raise the bar a little higher, not just for us, but for the league; not just soccer today, but for the future as well."

Thoughts on the Utah soccer community:

"We got to go to Carnival Real this past week, and there were tons of fans out there — people were really friendly, weren't afraid to ask us questions, or just tell us that they are here to support us. It was a warm welcome as our first introduction to the fan base and community. I think Utah has a healthy and robust soccer community, if not one of the fastest growing soccer cities in the country — there are a lot of people who are passionate about the game. I think it's been awesome for us to be here and a part of such a tight-knit soccer community."

Team chemistry establishment:

"There is a certain comfort that comes with having friends and teammates here, but the team is distinctly different from the team last year, and that comes because the coaching staff is different, the facilities are different, and difference in the landscape, but also half of the team is different — and that has given us a unique identity and a place to evolve. I think it has some of the same comfort, but a lot of the new excitement for being on a new club."

Thoughts on April 14 at RioT

"I've heard nothing but amazing things about what that game's going to be like, what the stadium is going to look like, what our experience is going to be like, what it will be like for our families and the fans, and I am beyond excited to be in that stadium and have that crowd cheering us on."

DF SYDNEY MIRAMONTEZ

Playing under Laura:

"It has been incredible. To be honest, this is only the second time that I have ever played for a female coach, and to be able to be with a coach of her caliber and experience is an honor. She knows her stuff, she's very respected in this league and across the world, so I feel very lucky."

Playing for the club:

"It has also been incredible. The support we have gotten here in Utah has been indescribable. That puts a little bit of pressure on us because we want to put a product on the field that this organization will be proud of, but again, I feel very lucky to be here."

"What I've found since I've been here is the priority to developing youth soccer players — it's unmatched. I think there is so much coaching, and so much effort going into developing youth players who move on to play professionally or collegiately. Coming into that has been really inspiring and something that I want to help contribute to."

Team chemistry acceleration:

"Anytime you're coming into a new time, you have to figure out the new pieces. You have to figure out who we want to be as a team. But the underlying idea for this team is that we have a lot of passion and talent, and that we are excited to be part of an organization that is willing to give us off the field what we can provide on the field. I think that is on everybody's mind, and what everyone is working towards."

Thoughts on April 14 at Rio Tinto Stadium:

"It's going to be crazy! It's going to be a riot (chuckles)! I'm so excited. There definitely is going to be a lot of emotion, but I'm confident that this group is going to use that as motivation to kick butt."

MF KATIE BOWEN

Playing under Laura:

"I absolutely love her. I've found that she's a really positive coach, which I find refreshing because you sometimes get coaches that can be very critical, and it's not always constructive criticism. So far I am absolutely loving it and loving her guidance."

Playing for the club:

"It's been really cool. It's obviously incredibly professional, which is awesome. When I was in New Zealand I was seeing all the tweets and videos of the locker room and everything, so it kind of blow my mind — it's surreal that we are treated equal to the men."

Thoughts on Utah:

"It was awesome to get to sign stuff and meet a lot of people that walked through and say that they've bought season tickets. All the fans were really positive and really happy in expressing that they're thankful that we are in Utah. It was good for me to see because I hadn't been exposed to the public yet."

"Hopefully I can get to do some coaching — that is something that I am looking to do. That will probably be my way of giving back. But I also want to give back in other ways, be a good role model, and get people out to the games."

Team chemistry build:

"It's been awesome. We've had people away, and people arriving on different days. The feedback I've received from others has been really good — the team is jelling very well. There are players here that have played together before, so we have that foundation. I think it's all about progressing from here, and finalizing, and focusing on Orlando and further on."

Thoughts on April 14 at RioT:

"My family will be in the stands, so I am incredibly excited. We were able to see the men's game, and just being at the stadium got us all incredibly hyped. Going out at half time was amazing. Hopefully we have a great atmosphere and a great game. We are taking on a great opponent, so I think it will be a good game of football — and then my birthday's the next day so I want it to be a good day."

PRESEASON QUOTE SHEET (cont'd)

FW ALEXA NEWFIELD

Playing under Laura:

"Playing under Laura has been awesome. She's the kind of coach that when she starts talking you want to listen — even if it's not to you or your role — you can always pick up on a learning tid-bit. It's been cool to see things as she sees them; there is definitely something to learn from her everyday in practice."

Playing for the club:

"It has been awesome as well. The event that we did on the weekend at the Carnival was packed and really cool to see the fans come out. Like I heard the support from everyone in the office, but to see the fans and have them tell you that they're excited was really cool."

Thoughts on Utah:

"I feel like it's definitely a huge community, and I was told prior to coming that Salt Lake City and Utah was a big into soccer. I think that we can contribute by getting some wins and keeping the community excited to get playing soccer. It's always fun to have a winning team that you can get behind, and makes you want to go play."

Team chemistry concerns:

"This was actually one of the first times where I actually felt that I knew the majority of the team, so it was different not to be one of the new people. I think everyone has gelled really well. I would like to think that there hasn't been a barrier between some of the Kansas City and new players — I think we know that we are a new team now, and the past is the past. What matters is that we're all together."

Thoughts on April 14 home opener:

"I'm really pumped. I can't wait to see it. I have images in my head of it, and I feel like I'm going to have a lot of energy that day."

MF BROOKE ELBY

Playing under Laura:

"The trainings have been amazing — super fast paced. It has been great getting to know all the girls and understanding her tactics. It's been interesting getting used to the altitude, but everything else has been high quality and high tempo."

Playing for the club:

"It's so cool to be part of something new. Obviously it's a huge step, not just for the city of Salt Lake, but for the league and women's soccer in general. To be a part of something that's so new and impactful is such an amazing feeling; you just feel like you already know you're doing something different and are paving that pathway to the future."

Thoughts on Utah:

"I'm super excited because, as I saw in our casual meet and greets, everyone else is just as excited as we are to get the season going. There are so many people that want to get involved and they make that apparent, like I've been in grocery stores and are coming up to me and are telling me that they're excited about it. So it's amazing how quickly the community has come together to form our fan base."

"I am looking forward to giving back in any way that I can. I've seen so many girl scouts, and I grew up being a girl scout, so it would be cool for me to get involved with them. I want to show that I can impact the community in a different way. There's the helping and serving the community, while playing on the field — and meshing that together."

Team chemistry acceleration:

"It's been surprisingly quick and easy to acclimate with everybody. I think that having a core group of girls that came from one team, but then throwing in some new girls into the mix adds a newness — or flavor. Now you have these different personalities that can jump in and already mesh with the core group. The Boston girls knew each other, the Kansas girls knew each other, so now we have to put it all together on the field."

Thoughts on April 14 at RioT:

"I'm so excited because my sister's never seen me play in a professional game, and she's going to be there. April 14 is just that moment where we get to put it all together and show everybody why we're here. We will get to show our fans why they should be believing in us, and just solidify what we're doing in this league, and how amazing we're going to be this season."

FW BRITTANY RATCLIFFE

Playing for Laura:

"I think Laura is an awesome coach. I absolutely love playing under her, and it's only been three weeks. She knows what she's doing, and as far as the organization, it's so professional — in fact, it's one of the most professional things I've been a part of. The owners, the coaches, the girls — everyone wants what is best for all, so it has been great to be a part of a team that really cares about being the best and doing the right thing."

Playing for new club:

"It's easy representing something that you really believe in, and I think we all really believe in this club and in what this club is trying to do for us and for women's soccer. It's been an honor represent this club — and we're just getting started."

Thoughts on Utah soccer community:

"It was great to be at the Carnival because people were coming up to me and knew who I was. This one girl was telling me that she got season tickets for Christmas and a jersey for my birthday — and so it's awesome to be somewhere where they love the Royals and love soccer — it's contagious. It's awesome to be around, and we are all truly honored to be here in Utah, because from what we've seen, it's an awesome state."

Team chemistry build:

"I was one of the players that came from the Kansas City team, so for me it's been great knowing a majority of the players on the team. We still have a core of Kansas City girls, and I loved the team in Kansas — we had great chemistry, so it's great to have that coming to Utah. And then as far as the new people, they have been awesome. I really feel that our team has been gelling and getting along great, and I hope that pays off on the field. We have great chemistry off the field, and so now we just have to keep working on our chemistry on the field."

Thoughts on April 14 at RioT:

"I'm really excited because it's a new team and the stadium is awesome. Everything we've been doing from the locker rooms to the promotions to the new team to the gear — like it's all building up. We still have two games before then, like our first season game is against Orlando, which is an important game, but our home opener is our first event at our home field. I'm really excited for it."

UTAH ROYALS FC - ALL-TIME NWSL REGULAR-SEASON HISTORY (2018-present)

thru 03/24/18

v.	OVERALL						HOME GAMES						ROAD GAMES						FORM GUIDE (reverse order)		
	GP	W	L-T	GF	GA	+/-	GP	W	L-T	GF	GA	+/-	GP	W	L-T	GF	GA	+/-	20	19	18
ORL	1	0	0-1	1	1	=							1	0	0-1	1	1	=			±
HOU																					
CHI																					
NC																					
POR																					
WAS																					
SBFC																					
SEA																					
TOT.	1	0	0-1	1	1	=							1	0	0-1	1	1	=			(ROAD)

UTAH ROYALS FC - ALL-TIME YEAR-BY-YEAR MLS REGULAR-SEASON RECORD

Year	OVERALL						HOME GAMES						ROAD GAMES						Overall Finish	Postseason Result	
	W	L	T	PTS	PPG	GF GA +/-	W	L	T	PPG	GF GA +/-	W	L	T	PPG	GF GA +/-					
2018	0	0	1	1	1.00	1 1 =												0-0-1	1.00	1 1 =	
TOT.																					

URFC COACHING HISTORY -- Reg. Season -- NWSL Playoffs

Year	Coach	W	L	T	PCT	PTS	W	L	T	PCT	OT	ShO
2018	Laura Harvey	0	0	1	.500	1						
ALL-TIME												

UTAH ROYALS FC - ALL-TIME NWSL PLAYOFF HISTORY

YEAR	vs. Team	Series	W-L	GP	W-L-T	AET	ShO	GF	GA	Round	Series Result
2018											
TOTALS		XX	XXX	xx	xxxxx	xxxxx	xx	xx	xx		

UTAH ROYALS FC - ALL-TIME SEASON-ENDING AWARD WINNERS

YEAR	Team MVP	Golden Boot (G)	Defender of Year	Humanitarian	NWSL Honors
2018					

ALL-TIME UTAH ROYALS FC INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS (0-0-1, 1 pt.)

(active URFC players in **BOLD** - NWSL reg. season games only)

UNF	POS	PLAYER	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF	CK	C	E	INT'L
23	M	Gunny Jonsdottir	1	1	90	1	0	3	1							ICE
10	F	Diana Matheson	1	1	64	0	1									CAN
1	G	Abby Smith	1	1	90											
5	D	Kelley O'Hara	1	1	90			1	1							USA
4	D	Becky Sauerbrunn	1	1	90									1		USA
2	D	Rachel Corsie	1	1	90			1								SCO
3	D	Becca Moros	1	1	90											
8	M	Desiree Scott	1	1	90											CAN
6	M	Katie Bowen	1	1	90			1								NZL
25	F	Brittany Ratcliffe	1	1	81			1						1		
20	F	Elise Thorsnes	1	1	62			1								NOR
24	F	Katie Stengel	0	1	28			1								
15	M	Taylor Lytle	0	1	26											
17	D	Sydney Miramontez	0	1	9											
Own-goals received																
Team totals			1	1	90	1	1	9	2	13	7	2	1	2	0	
Opponent totals			1	1	90	1	1	7	3	7	13	1	4	1	0	

ALL-TIME UTAH ROYALS FC GOALKEEPING STATISTICS (0-0-1, 1.00 GAA, 0 SO)

(active RSL players in **BOLD** - MLS reg. season games only)

ALL-TIME UTAH ROYALS FC INDIVIDUAL GOALKEEPING

UNF	POS	GOALKEEPER	GP	GS	MIN	SHTS	SV	GA	GAA	PG	PA	W	L	T	SO	INT'L
	G	Abby Smith	1	1	90	7	3	1	1.00	1	1	0	0	1	0	
Team totals			1	1	90	7	3	1	1.00	1	1	0	0	1	0	
Opponent totals			1	1	90	9	1	1	1.00	0	0	0	0	1	1	

ALL-TIME UTAH ROYALS FC INDIVIDUAL MISCELLANEOUS STATS

(active URFC players in **BOLD** - NWSL reg. season games only)

GAME-WINNING GOALS:

GAME-WINNING ASSISTS:

PENALTY KICK GOALS / ATTEMPTS (xx-for-xx all-time):

2018 UTAH ROYALS FC ROSTER (as of March 21, 2018)

RED = new for 2018

BLUE = NWSL College Draft Pick

ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

#	Name	Pos.	Ht.	D.O.B.	Hometown	College	Status
14	Alex Arlitt	DF	5-5	08/25/1993	Houston, TX	LSU	IR
18	Nicole Barnhart	GK	5-10	10/10/1981	Gilbertsville, PA	Stanford	
6	Katie Bowen	DF	5-7	04/15/1994	Auckland, New Zealand	North Carolina	NZ Int'l
22	Rachel Corsie	DF	5-9	08/27/1999	Aberdeen, Scotland	--	SCO Int'l
33	Brooke Elby	DF	5-4	05/24/1993	Arcadia, California	North Carolina	
19	Katrina Gorry	MF	5-1	08/13/1992	Brisbane, Australia	--	AUS Int'l
23	Gunnhildur Jonsdottir	MF	5-5	09/28/1988	Garðabær, Iceland	--	ICE Int'l
44	Maegan Kelly	FW	5-7	02/19/1992	Kansas City, MO	Marquette	CAN Int'l
9	Lo'eau LaBonta	MF	5-2	03/18/1993	Rancho Cucamonga, CA	Stanford	
7	Mandy Laddish	MF	5-7	05/13/1992	Lee's Summit, MO	Notre Dame	IR pending
12	Taylor Lytle	MF	5-2	03/31/1989	Las Cruces, NM	Texas Tech	
10	Diana Matheson	MF	5-0	04/06/1984	Mississauga, Ontario, CAN	Princeton	CAN Int'l*
17	Sydney Miramontez	DF	5-7	10/11/1994	Lenexa, KS	Nebraska	
3	Becca Moros	DF	5-5	05/06/1985	New York City, NY	Duke	
88	Alexa Newfield	MF	5-3	12/03/1991	Decatur, GA	North Carolina	
5	Kelley O'Hara	DF	5-5	08/04/1988	Fayetteville, GA	Stanford	USA Int'l*
25	Brittany Ratcliffe	FW	5-4	02/07/1994	Williamstown, NJ	Virginia	
8	Amy Rodriguez	FW	5-4	02/17/1987	Lake Forest, CA	USC	USA Int'l*
4	Becky Sauerbrunn	DF	5-7	06/06/1985	St. Louis, MO	Virginia	USA Int'l*
11	Desiree Scott	MF	5-2	07/31/1987	Winnipeg, Canada	Manitoba	CAN Int'l*
1	Abby Smith	GK	5-9	10/04/1993	Plano, TX	Texas	
24	Katie Stengel	FW	5-9	02/29/1992	Melbourne, FL	Wake Forest	
20	Elise Thorsnes	FW	5-8	08/14/1988	Leikanger, Norway	--	NOR Int'l
15	Erika Tymrak	MF	5-6	08/07/1991	Bradenton, FL	Florida	

**NWSL "allocated" player*

PRACTICE PLAYERS:

--	Taylor Isom	DF	5-7	12/08/1993	Sandy, UT	Brigham Young
--	EJ Proctor	GK	5-8	04/14/1996	Wilson, NC	Duke
--	Kendall Johnson	DF	5-5	04/24/1991	Portland, OR	Portland

NUMERIC ROSTER AND PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

#	Name	Pos.	Pronunciation	Place of Birth	Last Club (League)
1	Abby Smith	GK		Portland, OR	Boston Breakers (NWSL)
3	Becca Moros	DF		New York City, NY	FC Kansas City (NWSL)
4	Becky Sauerbrunn	DF		St. Louis, MO	FC Kansas City (NWSL)
5	Kelley O'Hara	DF		Fayetteville, GA	Sky Blue FC (NWSL)
6	Katie Bowen	DF		Auckland, New Zealand	FC Kansas City (NWSL)
7	Mandy Laddish	MF		Lee's Summit, MO	FC Kansas City (NWSL)
8	Amy Rodriguez	FW		Lake Forest, CA	FC Kansas City (NWSL)
9	Lo'eau LaBonta	MF	LOW-luh - BONN - tuh	Rancho Cucamonga, CA	FC Kansas City (NWSL)
10	Diana Matheson	MF		Mississauga, Ontario, CAN	Seattle Reign FC (NWSL)
11	Desiree Scott	MF	dez-uh-RAY	Winnipeg, Canada	FC Kansas City (NWSL)
12	Taylor Lytle	MF	LIE - till	Las Cruces, NM	Sky Blue FC (NWSL)
13	Brittany Taylor Kolmel	DF		Hamptonburgh, NY	FC Kansas City (NWSL)
14	Alex Arlitt	DF		Houston, TX	FC Kansas City (NWSL)
15	Erika Tymrak	MF	TIM-rack	Detroit, MI	FC Kansas City (NWSL)
17	Sydney Miramontez	DF		Lenexa, KS	FC Kansas City (NWSL)
18	Nicole Barnhart	GK		Pottstown, PA	FC Kansas City (NWSL)
19	Katrina Gorry	MF		Brisbane, Australia	Brisbane Roar FC (Australia)
20	Elise Thorsnes	FW	TORSE - ness	Leikanger, Norway	Avaldsnes IL (Norway)
22	Rachel Corsie	DF	CORE - see	Aberdeen, Scotland	Seattle Reign FC (NWSL)
23	Gunnhildur Jonsdottir	MF	"Gunny"	Garðabær, Iceland	Vålerenga (Norway)
24	Katie Stengel	FW		Viera, FL	Boston Breakers (NWSL)
25	Brittany Ratcliffe	FW		Monroe Township, NJ	FC Kansas City (NWSL)
33	Brooke Elby	DF	ELL - bee	Arcadia, CA	Boston Breakers (NWSL)
44	Maegan Kelly	FW	megan	Kansas City, MO	FC Kansas City (NWSL)
88	Alexa Newfield	MF		Atlanta, GA	FC Kansas City (NWSL)

PRACTICE PLAYERS:

--	Taylor Isom	DF	EYE - some	Logan, UT	Brigham Young University
--	EJ Proctor	GK		Wilson, NC	Duke University
--	Kendall Johnson	DF		Portland, OR	Portland Thorns FC (NWSL)

2018 UTAH ROYALS FC MINI-BIOS *(as of March 21, 2018)*

DF ALEX ARLITT #14

Height: 5' 5"
Birth Date: August 25, 1993
Birthplace: Houston, Texas
College: LSU

Arlitt, 24, was drafted by FC Kansas City in the 2016 NWSL College Draft. Arlitt enjoyed one of the most heralded careers as a defender in the history of the LSU soccer program, appearing in 89 matches with 87 starts. She finished her college campaign ranked third in school history for total appearances (89), and tied for second for career starts (87).

SCOUTING REPORT: *"Arlitt was a good defender for FC Kansas City. Had a knee operation in August last year, in season, that she picked up during the off-season in Australia. Tried to rehab at Kansas City, didn't go great, and had to have another surgery in October ... is still recovering."*

GK NICOLE BARNHART #18

Height: 5' 10"
Birth Date: October 10, 1981
Birthplace: Pottstown, Pennsylvania
College: Stanford

Barnhart, 36, comes to the Utah Royals FC with more than a decade of professional experience. With 54 caps with the United States Women's National team, and 108 starts for FC Kansas City, Barnhart comes to Salt Lake with two Olympic gold medals (2008, 2012) and a 2011 FIFA Women's World Cup runner-up. Up until 2017, Barnhart held the NWSL record for most consecutive "clean-sheets," going on a 10-game streak without allowing a goal. She was named the 2013 NWSL Goalkeeper of the Year, and would win an NWSL title in both 2014 and 2015 for FCKC, against Harvey and Seattle.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"Barnie has been in the league since its start...she is a fantastic goalkeeper and ex U.S. national team goalkeeper...and a two-time gold medal winner. Obviously she is just coming back off of an ankle injury, but I have no doubt that when she's back, she will compete with Abby Smith ... she and Abby will be fighting for number one because it is super close ... She is a fantastic pro."*

DF KATIE BOWEN #6

Height: 5' 7"
Birth Date: April 15, 1994
Birthplace: Auckland, New Zealand
College: North Carolina

Bowen, 23, is amongst the youngest players to represent New Zealand at an international level. She made her first appearance with the senior team in 2011 against Australia, also playing in the 2011 and 2014 FIFA Women's World Cup. She has since appeared in 37 matches for the New Zealand side, scoring one goal. In 2016, FC Kansas City selected Bowen in the NWSL College Draft, where she played in 34 games on the back line, scoring two goals.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"Bowen is a New Zealand international that went to school at North Carolina, so she has been around and knows the U.S. system. She can play as a defender, a midfielder, and can actually play as a wide player — she is super flexible. Like a lot of UNC kids, Katie has the ability to play multiple positions ... can play the six, good on the ball, good awareness, good distribution."*

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DF RACHEL CORSIE #13

Height: 5' 9"

Birth Date: August 17, 1989

Birthplace: Aberdeen, Scotland

Corsie, 28, comes to Salt Lake City with more than a decade of professional experience. As the captain of the Scotland WNT, Corsie has played in 94 games for the Scotland side, scoring 16 goals as a powerful centerback. Corsie also boasts five Scottish Women's League Cups (2009, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2015), a Supporter's Player of the season (2014). Since making her NWSL debut in 2015 with the Seattle Reign, Corsie has played in 44 games in the NWSL, all under the guidance of Laura Harvey.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"Corsie is a tried-and-tested Scottish international player...She played for Harvey in Seattle...and was looking for an opportunity outside of Seattle, and Utah happened to give her a call. We are lucky to have her ... typical British, no-nonsense defender who bullies opposing forwards and loves the tackle."*

DF BROOKE ELBY #33

Height: 5' 4"

Birth Date: May 24, 1993

Birthplace: Arcadia, California

College: North Carolina

Elby, 24, was the Utah Royals FC's 23rd pick of the 2018 NWSL Dispersal Draft. Elby, who appeared in 13 matches during the NWSL 2017 season, logged over 800 minutes with the Boston Breakers. She made her professional career debut with Melbourne Victory on loan in Australia. Elby also had a successful career at the University of North Carolina Tar Heels, where she registered 73 games, with three career goals and seven assists.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"Another UNC grad...she is one of the players that we picked up from Boston...She can play multiple positions. I think her best position is as an outside back, but she can play in the midfield and higher up the field ... versatile player, center mid or fullback, works hard ... agile."*

MF KATRINA GORRY #19

Nickname: "Mini"

Height: 5' 1"

Birth Date: August, 13, 1992

Birthplace: Brisbane, Australia

Gorry, 24, is a current member of the Australian WNT with over 59 caps and 14 goals. Gorry was the 2014 Asia Football Confederation's Player of the Year, and the 2014 Australia Player of the year. Gorry clinched the 2014 NWSL title with FC Kansas City. The Matilda star also spent some time playing in Japan for Vegalta Sendai, where she earned 14 caps in 2017.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"Katrina played for FC Kansas City in 2014, but left the league because she was super young and didn't think it was for her...but I spoke to her in the off-season and asked if she wanted to give it another go... she has improved tremendously since 2014...she has just grown into who she is now...She is a star for the Australian national team and has played great for the Brisbane Roar in the off-season...so I am really excited for her to get here."*

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MF GUNNHILDUR JONSDOTTIR #23

Nickname: "Gunny"
Height: 5' 5"
Birth Date: September 28, 1988
Birthplace: Garðabær, Iceland

Jonsdottir, 29, helped Iceland, one of the top 20 teams in the world, qualify for the 2013 Women's UEFA Cup Quarterfinals, and bagged crucial goals against Slovenia and Scotland in Women's UEFA 2016. As one of the top goal-scorers in Iceland WNT history, and with 48 caps under her belt, Jonsdottir arrives in Utah with more than 200 club games played and nearly 50 caps for the Iceland National Team. Jonsdottir holds a national championship, winning the 2012 Iceland Women's Cup while starting for Stjarnan FC. She also was a member of the Norway Toppserien league's 2017 runner-up, Valerenga FC, reaching nearly 2,000 minutes, 21 games and five career goals in a single season.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"Gunny is an Icelandic International that I came across through an ex player of mine that now plays at Seattle...I came to learn about Gunny and learned that she is just my type of player...she is a nut-case, funny player... I think she is going to be a league favorite because she has a personality that is infectious...watch out for her...she is a talented woman...has had a lot injuries, but now she is so athletic, so fit, and so strong, that she is in a really good place ... powerful and energetic with a motor that runs for days ... a true box-to-box midfielder."*

FW MAEGAN KELLY #44

Height: 5' 7"
Birth Date: February 19, 1992
Birthplace: Kansas City, Missouri
College: Marquette

Kelly, 26, holds dual passports for both USA and Canada, and has recently been called into camps with the Canadian Women's National team. Kelly was drafted by FC Kansas City during the 2014 NWSL College Draft, but later transferred to UMF Stjarnan in Iceland. Kelly then moved to Finland to play in the Naisten Liga. Kelly returned to FC Kansas City in 2017 where she appeared in 22 games, netting five goals.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"Kelly played for Kansas City last year and was a super sub for them...she scored so many goals...whenever she came on, she made a big impact...from that she got called up to the Canadian national team...played as a forward for Kansas City, but Canada actually recruited her as an outside back ..."*

MF LO'EAU LABONTA #9

Nickname: "Lo"
Height: 5' 2"
Birth Date: March 18, 1993
Birthplace: Rancho Cucamonga, CA
College: Stanford

LaBonta, 24, was a Stanford standout who played in almost 80 games for the Cardinals, and scored 22 goals during her four-year college campaign. She was drafted by Sky Blue FC in the 2015 NWSL College draft, where she made six appearances for the club. LaBonta earned a starting position in the NWSL after signing with FC Kansas City in May 2016, where she appeared in 33 games, and scored 2 goals.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"Went to Stanford, and then got drafted to Sky Blue afterwards...Coaching Lo'eau has showed me that she's clever, she's got a brain... she's obviously not tall, but she uses her attributes well...she can get on the ball and wants to try and possess, which is exactly what I want in a player...I have been super happy with how she has developed through the preseason ... very fit and on rhythm coming off of Australian season ..."*

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MF MANDY LADDISH #7

Height: 5' 7"

Birth Date: November 3, 1991

Birthplace: Lee's Summit, Missouri

College: Notre Dame

Laddish, 26, a midfielder who has won a FIFA U20 Women's World Cup and a U20 CONCACAF women's championship. Laddish also played every single game of her college career at Notre Dame, registering six goals. Laddish was drafted to FC Kansas City in 2014.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"She's another player with a tough injury history...was injured all last season for Kansas City and is currently still struggling with the same injury...She is a super talented player...I am really gunning for her because she will be a huge asset for this team when she's fit...So now we are doing everything we possibly can to make that happen ... very technical player, smooth on the ball, good at getting out of tight spaces ..."*

MF TAYLOR LYTLE #12

Height: 5' 2"

Birth Date: March 31, 1989

Birthplace: Las Cruces, New Mexico

College: Texas Tech

Lytle, 28, is a midfielder who signed as a discovery player with Sky Blue FC in 2013, where she appeared in 21 of Sky Blue FC's 22 season games. Lytle was also a member of the USWNT U-23 Four Nations Tournament in Spain, where she scored one goal. Lytle attended Texas Tech University where she scored 14 goals and registered 27 assists — setting a school assist record.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"Taylor is a wide player that is super clever. She comes in off the line and tries to find pockets of space to play in...she tends to never give the ball away, which is exactly what I want...her and Kelley work really well together on the same side of the field, and have actually played together for years, so they know exactly what the other will be doing...excited for her and happy that we got her in the trade with Kelley ... shifty player, quick and agile, good touch and well-rounded player."*

MF DIANA MATHESON #10

Height: 5' 0"

Birth Date: April 6, 1984

Birthplace: Mississauga, Ontario, Canada

College: Princeton

Matheson, 33, A key player for the Canadian Women's side, Matheson totals 169 caps for the senior team, scoring 16 goals in international tournaments. Best known for scoring the bronze medal-winning goal for Canada in the 92nd minute against France at the 2012 Olympics, Matheson has scored 23 goals in the NWSL since 2013. Matheson also won gold in the 2011 Pan American Games, and a bronze in the 2016 Rio Olympics.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"Another Canadian international that played for me in Seattle, but never actually played because she tore her ACL...knowing what she had been through and what she has done and where she was physically, I know that this is the year that she is going to prove to everyone that she was back...she's got numerous caps for the Canadian national team...and when she is fit, she scores goals in this league...so she is someone we felt that we needed to get in...when she is on the field, she can impact ... veteran presence, very slippery, holds onto ball, strong for her size, makes good decisions."*

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DF SYDNEY MIRAMONTEZ #17

Height: 5' 7"
Birth Date: October 11, 1994
Birthplace: Lenexa, Kansas
College: Nebraska

Miramontez, 23, is a defender who signed with FC Kansas City in 2017, where she played in five matches. Later that year, Miramontez was invited to participate in the USWNT U-23's National training camp. Miramontez had a successful career with the University of Nebraska where she started in 48 of her 75 appearances, and scored six goals.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"It was her first season in the league last year for Kansas...I coached the U.S. U-23 team last January, and she was a stand-out to me...I thought she has been excellent...she has done really well in preseason and having her, Rachel, and Becky Sauerbrunn as your three stand-out center backs is not a bad collection of center back to pick from ... amazing at playing long balls out of back, very accurate ... reads game quite well defensively ... future starter at centerback."*

DF BECCA MOROS #3

Height: 5' 5"
Birth Date: May 6, 1985
Birthplace: New York City, New York
College: Duke

Moros, 32, has played in the professional game since her drafting in the 2009 WPS College Draft by the Washington Freedom. In 2011, Moros was traded to the New York Flash, where she appeared in 10 games and helped the team win the WPS Women's Soccer Playoffs. Moros was traded to FC Kansas City in 2015, where she helped the team win the 2015 NWSL cup.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"She can play multiple positions...predominately an outside back...she was at Kansas City for a couple of year, but prior to playing in the NWSL, she played in Japan for a couple of seasons...and playing in Japan allowed her to play a possession oriented style that seems very natural for her now ,.. veteran with quick feet, experienced, good pro."*

MF ALEXA NEWFIELD #88

Height: 5' 3"
Birth Date: December 3, 1991
Birthplace: Atlanta, Georgia
College: North Carolina

Newfield, 26, was drafted by FC Kansas City in the 2016 NWSL College Draft, where she made eight appearances and two starts in her debut season. Newfield has over 38 goals registered during her college career with the Georgia Bulldogs and North Carolina Tarheels. Newfield scored her first goal in the pros in 2017 — a game winner — against the Washington Spirit.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"Alexa is another UNC grad who can play multiple positions and is very hard working...another super sub that I think can come off the bench and make impact ... very good at long-range shooting, can play multiple spots in midfield, comfortable with both feet."*

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DF KELLEY O'HARA #5

Height: 5' 5"
Birth Date: August 4, 1988
Birthplace: Fayetteville, Georgia
College: Stanford

O'Hara, 29, was traded in 2017 from Sky Blue FC, where she appeared in 75 games, scoring 15 goals. A versatile player, O'Hara has played as both an attacking and defensive player in the NWSL and for the USWNT. With over 100 caps for team USA, O'Hara boasts a 2015 FIFA Women's World Cup gold medal, and a 2011 FIFA Women's World Cup runner-up. O'Hara also won an olympic gold medal in 2012, and was a Herman Trophy winner in 2009 with the Stanford Cardinals.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"We traded for Kelley from Sky Blue...I've always thought that she was a player that could play a lot of positions, and the national team did that with her...and she has gotten a lot of time...but I think in the last couple of years she has become a sure outside back on the U.S. team...she is a fantastic trainer and winner...that is the best thing I can say about Kelley is that she wants to win everything from the stupidest game in training to the eleven aside at the end of training...I think her grit and determination is something that is needed in this group...she has impacted well."*

FW BRITTANY RATCLIFFE #25

Height: 5' 4"
Birth Date: February 7, 1994
Birthplace: Monroe Township, New Jersey
College: Virginia

Newfield, 26, was a star at the University of Virginia where she played in almost every college game of her career, scoring 24 goals. Ratcliffe was drafted by the Boston Breakers in the 2016 NWSL College Draft, where she made 15 appearances and two goals in her first year. In 2017, Ratcliffe made the move to the 2014/2015 NWSL cup champions, FC Kansas City, where she appeared in 22 games, and scored one goal.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"I see her as a nine, or a wide player...she came from Virginia and played for Kansas City for a couple of years...she is super quick and can get in behind teams...she scored against UCLA in preseason...she offers good pressure and I am happy with her progress ... quick, hard-working, high-press and wants ball back on recovery."*

FW AMY RODRIGUEZ #8

Nickname: "A-Rod"
Height: 5' 4"
Birth Date: February 17, 1987
Birthplace: Lake Forest, California
College: USC

Rodriguez, 31, has over 100 caps with the USWNT, and is a two-time Olympic Gold Medalist. Rodriguez also boasts a 2015 FIFA Women's World Cup championship and 3x Algarve Cup winner. Rodriguez also scored the game winning goals to win the 2014 and 2015 NWSL Cup Champion. In 2009, Rodriguez was the number one pick in the WPS College Draft.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"Amy is coming back off an ACL injury...is the mother of two...she was my nemesis when I was in Seattle because I traded her away during my first year in Seattle—which is the worst trade in the history of soccer—because she ended up scoring the championship goal against me two years running...so I hope that she does the same this year for me...I am really excited for A-Rod to get back and be healthy ... leader, lethal finisher, scores goals..."*

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DF BECKY SAUERBRUNN #4

Nickname: "Broon"
Height: 5' 7"
Birth Date: June 6, 1985
Birthplace: St. Louis, Missouri
College: Virginia

Sauerbrunn, 32, is best known as the co-captain of the USWNT team, with over 100 caps for team USA. Sauerbrunn olympic gold at the 2012 London olympics, and a gold medal at the 2015 FIFA Women's World Cup, and was a runner-up at the 2011 FIFA Women's World Cup in Germany. Sauerbrunn also led FC Kansas City to back-to-back NWSL cup championships in 2014 and 2015. A product of Virginia, Sauerbrunn was a three-time All-American in college.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"She has been voted the defender of the year three out of the five years...Becky is like Ronseal...like you put as a varnish on your wood, and it keeps the wood from getting wet, and you know exactly what you're going to get...Becky Sauerbrunn is Ronseal...You know exactly what you are going to get...she is a great defender ... leader, reads the game well, never out of position."*

MF DESIREE SCOTT #11

Nickname: "The Destroyer"
Height: 5' 2"
Birth Date: July 31, 1987
Birthplace: Winnipeg, Canada
College: Manitoba

Scott, 30, is a midfielder for the Canadian Women's National team, owning two olympic bronze medals. While representing Canada, Scott won a Cyprus Women's Cup, a CONCACAF championship, and Pan-American gold medal. Prior to coming to the Utah Royals FC, Scott played for FC Kansas City in the midfield.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"Scott is known as the destroyer because she just sits in front of the backline and smashes people...she has a very significant job on our time and to smash other team's players...she is a Canadian international that has been in the league for a couple of years...she played with Kansas in the first year and then left to play in England for two seasons and then came back...she is a very good footballer...she knows what her role is, and knows that her job is to smash people and give the ball to other players...she is like the glue to any team...you always need a Desiree on your team."*

GK ABBY SMITH #1

Height: 5' 9"
Birth Date: October 4, 1993
Birthplace: Portland, Oregon
College: Texas

Smith, 24, was picked fifth in the 2016 NWSL College Draft, by the Boston Breakers, where she made 21 appearances. Smith also wore the US crest for several years as a member of the U-17, U-20, and U-23 teams, and was rostered on the senior side in May 2017 for friendlies against Sweden and Norway. A Plano native, she earned over 72 caps for the Texas Longhorns, where she finished her college career ranked first in the Big 12 Conference for 96 total saves, with a 5.33 saves-per-match. Her 30th career shutout in 2015 set a new school career shut out record.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"We got Abby from Boston...I think that if she plays well this year that she will find herself in the national team and in the World Cup...We just have to give her the platform to do that ... athletic 'keeper, well-rounded, good distribution out of the back."*

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FW KATIE STENGEL #24

Height: 5' 9"
Birth Date: February 29, 1992
Birthplace: Viera, Florida
College: Wake Forest

Stengel, 25, was selected as the 14th pick of the 2018 NWSL Dispersal Draft. Stengel is another attacking presence who is coming to Salt Lake with 16 goals, including 7 goals with the USWNT youth teams. A 2012 FIFA Women's U20 World Cup champion, Stengel began her professional career in 2014 with the former USL W-league's Angeles Blues. She then joined the female Bundesliga side for Bayern Munich, where she appeared in 20 matches, scoring 9 goals, and winning the league title.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"Stengel is a classic, target number nine, that has played for multiple teams in the league and Bayern Munich in Germany...She can score goals in this league...We have been working with her to be a little less active until she gets around goal because she can score goals...she just works so hard ... true hold-up no. 9, likes to link up, good finisher inside box."*

FW ELISE THORSNES #20

Pronounced: "TORSE – ness"
Nickname: "Thor"
Height: 5' 8"
Birth Date: August 14, 1988
Birthplace: Leikanger, Norway

Thorsnes, 29, plays as a forward for the Norway WNT, totaling 110 caps, and 17 goals. Thorsnes played in every single game of the 2008 Beijing Olympics, and in the 2009 European Championships. She was also the Toppserien Golden Boot Winner in 2011 and 2013. Thorsnes comes to Salt Lake with three Toppserien championships, four Norwegian cup victories, and three Toppserien Golden Boots.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"We call her Thor...scored one of the best goals I have ever seen in training...she is very good...I have seen her play multiple times...and she is so good and can play in so many positions...she can play outside back...she played defense against the U.S. pretty much a year ago in Norway, and she was the best player on the field...she is an accomplished soccer player...I've got high hopes for her...It's always hard for internationals to come into America and get used to how crazy this league is...like my first ever game in the NWSL, I felt it was like a UFC fight...she is probably going to have to get used to that for a little bit, but I am excited for her."*

MF ERIKA TYMRAK #15

Height: 5' 6"
Birth Date: August 7, 1991
Birthplace: Detroit, Michigan
College: Florida

Tymrak, 26, was a two-time All-American for Florida before being drafted to FC Kansas City in the 2013 NWSL College Draft. Tymrak was named the 2013 NWSL Rookie of the year, and received her first call up to the USWNT side in 2013 in a friendly against Mexico. Tymrak played in the midfield for FC Kansas City, helping the team win two back-to-back NWSL cup championships in 2014 and 2015.

SCOUTING REPORT: *"Tymrak has been at Kansas City since 2013, and was actually the rookie of the league in her first season...she is someone that has a big year ahead of her...she is looking to step up her level...but she has been working really hard in preseason, and I'm actually really excited for the season that she potentially could have ... used to be a ballet dancer, which is why she is so smooth in her movements ... tricky, technical player ..."*

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MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER HONORS (REAL SALT LAKE):

MLS Cup Semifinals: 2008
MLS Cup Champions: 2009
 CONCACAF Champions League Group Winners: 2010
 MLS Cup Quarterfinals: 2010
 CONCACAF Champions League Finalists 2011
 MLS Cup Semifinals: 2011

MLS Cup Quarterfinals: 2012
 U.S. Open Cup Finalists: 2013
 MLS Cup Finalists: 2013
 MLS Cup Quarterfinals: 2014
 CONCACAF Champions League Group Winners: 2015
 MLS Cup Playoffs: 2016

UNITED SOCCER LEAGUE HONORS (REAL MONARCHS SLC):

USL Regular-Season Shield Champions: 2017

CLUB OVERVIEW - 2018:

Real Salt Lake kicks off its 14th Major League Soccer season in 2018, the Utah side buoyed by a passionate fan base boasting nearly 15,000 season ticket holders and an engaged corporate community, achieving local relevance envied by many in the North American professional sports scene. RSL kicks off its ninth full campaign on March 10 at its Rio Tinto Stadium home in Sandy, where the "Claret-and-Cobalt" has enjoyed a most pronounced home-field advantage in Major League Soccer, entering this year posting an impressive 106-26-44 mark in the building since its inaugural game back on October 9, 2008.

New RSL Head Coach **Mike Petke** - now the fourth in the club's history - makes the selections for what is perhaps the deepest roster in RSL annals, welcoming back several key returning players on a roster also bolstered by new faces in the form of both veteran professionals and young Academy products.

After posting an 8-3-4 record over the final 15 matches of last season, Real Salt Lake was among the top teams in Major League Soccer after July 4, accruing the fourth-most points in that span. Long-time Captain **Kyle Beckerman** and MLS goalkeeping icon **Nick Rimando** both return for their 12th seasons with Real Salt Lake, surrounded by a slew of rising talents and veteran mainstays. That group includes the club's 2017 MVP and Golden Boot-winning playmaker **Albert Rusnák**, along with imposing center back **Marcelo Silva** and dynamic winger **Jefferson Savarino**, each of whom joined the squad a year ago, making big impacts in their first MLS seasons. The addition of forward **Alfredo Ortuño** bolsters an attack that saw four players score seven goals last season (Rusnák, Yura Movsisyan, **Joao Plata** and **Luis Silva**).

Additional veteran returnees include defenders **Tony Beltran** (out until at least August due to a knee injury suffered at Colorado last Oct. 15), **Demar Phillips** and **David Horst**, midfielders **Luke Mulholland** and **Sunday Stephen**, along with Homegrown talents **Jose Hernandez** and **Jordan Allen**. 2017 USL Regular Season Championship Shield winners in goalkeeper **Connor Sparrow**, defender **Taylor Peay** and midfielder **Nick Besler** also earned first-team contracts over the last seven months based on their Real Monarchs success.

The club continued to dip into its ever-expanding list of Academy products who have gone on to professional contracts with the additions of 2017 FIFA U-20 World Cup DF **Aaron Herrera** and three-time NCAA champion FW **Corey Baird**. In addition, the back line added Americans with European experience in **Adam Henley** and **Shawn Berry** to a veteran core. In the midfield, an accomplished young dual-national Argentine/Chilean teenager named **Pablo Ruiz** arrives in 2018, as does Croatian midfielder **Damir Kreilach**, former co-Captain of Union Berlin (2.Bundesliga).

In search of hardware, RSL seeks to return to the MLS Cup Playoffs for the first time since 2016 this season, after a remarkable seven-year run from 2008-14 that placed RSL among MLS elite (only LA Galaxy and Seattle Sounders accrued more points in that span). RSL's 13-year MLS history includes an **MLS Cup 2009 title**, the state of Utah's only major professional championship in the last 40 years. Recent campaigns have seen RSL advance to another MLS Cup title game, losing in 2013 via a penalty-kick shootout in Kansas City, where the 2015 squad also dropped a Semifinal match in the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup. RSL lost an Open Cup Final at home in 2013, the one-goal loss to D.C. United a bitter reminder of the Club's groundbreaking (and ultimately heartbreaking) run to the CONCACAF Champions League Final in 2011, when RSL became the first-ever - and still only - U.S. side to progress within one goal of the FIFA Club World Cup.

In 2015, RSL expanded its development pyramid with the addition of Real Monarchs SLC, one of several MLS-operated expansion clubs in the now 33-team USL. Former Head Coach **Freddy Juarez** - now an assistant with the first team - had enjoyed success developing homegrown players at the RSL-Arizona Academy in Casa Grande, Ariz., prior to moving to the professional ranks. For 2018, the Monarchs will call the newly-constructed Zions Bank Stadium in Herriman, Utah, home, opening on Sat., March 31 against Portland Timbers 2. Head Coach **Mark Briggs** - the reigning USL Coach of the Year based on his success after taking over for Petke last April - returns several key pieces for 2018, including USL MVP Finalist and Golden Boot runner-up **Chandler Hoffman**, dynamic playmaker **Sebastian Velasquez**, and midfield engine **Charlie Adams**.

In August of 2017, Real Salt Lake's vaunted Arizona-based Academy moved north to the Club's primary training center in Herriman, Utah, approximately 20 minutes southwest of Rio Tinto Stadium. The \$78 million facility will now serve as the Club's cornerstone, its daily training home opening in 2018 for both of the club's men's professional teams - Real Salt Lake (MLS) and Real Monarchs (USL) - while centralizing the club's U-19, U-17 and future U-15 development academy youth selections. The Herriman facility also provides adjacencies for an on-site charter school with STEM disciplines (Science/Technology/Engineering/Math) for nearly 300 local boys and girls.

Led by **Martin Vasquez** - who played 17 years professionally in both the U.S. and Mexico before coaching with LA Galaxy, Chivas USA, Bayern Munich and the U.S. National Team - RSL's Academy setup looks to continue its perennial U.S. Soccer Development Academy success integrating with the club's professional sides. Under his guidance, Vasquez and the RSL Academy have developed a setup that has produced professionals year-after-year for seven years, laying the groundwork for a system that has produced 15 homegrown players for RSL since 2011. The January signing of 3-time Stanford national champion **Corey Baird** brings RSL's list of Academy products on the current roster to eight, joining DF **Danilo Acosta**, FW **Jordan Allen**, DF **Justen Glad**, MF **Jose Hernandez**, DF **Aaron Herrera**, FW **Brooks Lennon** and MF **Sebastian "Bofo" Saucedo**. Other past Homegrown signings include Nico Muniz, Donny Toia, Lalo Fernandez, Benji Lopez, Phaniel Kavita, Fito Ovalle and Ricardo Velazco, while former RSL DF Carlos Salcedo was signed to a standard MLS contract.

Since coming to RSL at the beginning of last season as head coach of the Real Monarchs, Petke was stricken with the opportunity to work with someone of Vasquez's background. Now as RSL's boss, he works in lock-step with Vasquez as the two draw up the blueprints to the future of Real Salt Lake.

"He's been at the highest level as a player and a coach. How we're able to have somebody like this at our academy blows my mind. But I'm extremely excited about it," Petke said. "He just has a deep knowledge of the game. And he has that temperament of dealing with kids coming up through the ranks. His knowledge of tactics is spot on. It coincides with how I like to play and how we want to play. And he is able to get the most out of these kids psychologically, physically and tactically. My hat's off to him. I love working with him."

Last December in North Logan, Utah, RSL Owner **Dell Loy Hansen** ceremoniously opened the first of eight planned "regional training centers" across Utah and Arizona to be built in the next two years. Each \$5-6 million RTC houses a classroom, as well as an indoor and outdoor field, dedicated to fulfilling a curriculum based on the club's vision and mission for youth soccer training and education, and the continued development of both recreational and competitive pre-Academy (ages 7-14) initiatives across the InterMountain West.

In January, RSL announced that it would extend its youth development presence in Arizona, as Sereno Soccer Club merged with Legacy Soccer Club under the Claret-and-Cobalt umbrella, with **more than 7,000 boys and girls between the ages of 4-18 now composing a Phoenix-based "RSL Arizona" setup**. The partnership allows Real Salt Lake to continue its Arizona-based cultivation of talent, as Sereno has long been one of the premier youth soccer clubs in the United States and the top club in Arizona. During its nearly four decades of history, Sereno accounts for over 150 Arizona State Championships, 12 Regional Championships, four National Finalists and 2 National Championships.

The newly-combined RSL-Arizona has developed more than 30 professional players in the men's and women's games' highest levels, while boasting more than 70 players who have represented 14 countries at the youth or senior level amongst its alumni base. Notable Sereno products with ties to Real Salt Lake include current RSL FW **Brooks Lennon**, Real Monarchs SLC Assistant Coach **Danny Cruz** and former players such as Robbie Findley. Current and former U.S. Women's National Team icons hailing from the Arizona development juggernaut include Julie Ertz and Sydney Leroux, among others.

In 2016, the **RSL Foundation** was established, created with the goals of being active in the community year-round, utilizing the popularity and reach of RSL and the Monarchs in promoting health and wellness for children throughout the region, engaging supporters of soccer to raise funds and volunteer time for various local initiatives. Projects undertaken by and supported with Foundation resources include the Club's "Unified Team" with Utah Special Olympics, state-wide field restorations, referee training and community service.

New for 2018, the RSL pyramid welcomes the highest level of professional women's soccer in the world, as the NWSL Utah Royals FC now call Rio Tinto Stadium home. Led by revered boss **Laura Harvey**, the most successful head coach in the previous five NWSL seasons, Utah Royals FC boasts several international-caliber players on its inaugural roster - led by U.S.A. women **Becky Sauerbrunn**, the current Captain of the U.S. Women's National Team, and fellow USA standouts **Kelley O'Hara** and **Amy Rodriguez** - as well as Canadian National Team stars **Desiree Scott** and **Diana Matheson**, along with **Maegan Kelly**. Utah's 11 internationals representing 7 countries also include: **Katrina Gorry** (Australia), **Katie Bowen** (New Zealand), **Gunny Jonsdottir** (Iceland), **Elise Thorsnes** (Norway) and **Rachel Corsie** (Scotland).

OWNER: Dell Loy Hansen
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GOVERNOR (NWSL): Stephanie Lee
GOVERNOR (USL): Jake Haueter

CHIEF CLUB OFFICIALS

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VP / Finance: Tara Silcox
VP / Broadcasting & Communications: Trey Fitz-Gerald

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Director, Travel & Logistics: Kasia Kampf
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TEAM INFORMATION / MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER

REAL SALT LAKE (MLS)

Head Coach: Mike Petke
Assistant Coaches: Freddy Juarez, Tyrone Marshall
Goalkeeper Coach: Todd Hoffard
Director, Physical Performance: Henry Ruggiero
Lead Sports Scientist: Matt Howley
Video Analyst: Ted Eck
Director of Athletic Training: Theron Enns, MA, ATC
Lead Athletic Trainer: Tyler Knight, MS, ATC-L

Assistant General Manager: Elliot Fall
Team Administrator: Tim Weaver
Equipment Manager: Alejandro Caparelli

TEAM INFORMATION / NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE

UTAH ROYALS FC (NWSL)

Head Coach: Laura Harvey
Assistant Coaches: Scott Parkinson, Amy LePeilbet
Goalkeeper Coach: Jason Batty
Sports Performance Coach: Melissa Terry
Head Athletic Trainer: Emily Fortunato

Managing Director: Stephanie Lee
Team Administrator: Phillippe Tabet
Equipment Manager: Karly Cebula

CLUB MEDICAL STAFF

Primary Hospital: Salt Lake Regional Medical Center

Club Physicians: Dr. Andrew Cooper (RSL Chief Medical Officer / RSL/Monarchs/Royals FC Orthopedic Surgeon);
Dr. Bob Englen (Royals FC / RSL Team Physician);
Dr. John Edwards (RSL Team Physician);
Dr. Josh Hunter (RSL / Monarchs / Royals FC Orthopedic Surgeon);
Dr. Steven Kirk (Chief Medical Officer, Monarchs; RSL/Royals FC Team Physician)
Dr. Michael Cosgrave (RSL/Monarchs Team Physician)

Club Chiropractor: Monte J. Layton, D.C.

Club Dentist: Robert Boyden, D.D.S.

TEAM INFORMATION / UNITED SOCCER LEAGUE

REAL MONARCHS (USL)

Head Coach: Mark Briggs
Assistant Coaches: Jamison Olave, Danny Cruz
Goalkeeper Coach: Matt Glaeser
Sports Performance Coach: Ryan Thamm
Video Analyst: Preston Gayton
Head Athletic Trainer: Marshall Stoddard, MS, ATL-L

General Manager: Dan Egner
Team Administrator: Taymour Roushdi
Equipment Manager: Randy Butts

TEAM INFORMATION / U.S. SOCCER DEVELOPMENT ACADEMY

RSL ACADEMY U-19 / U-17 (USSDA)

Head Coach: Martin Vasquez
Assistant Coaches: Rafa Sifuentes, Juan Fresquez
Goalkeeper Coach: Jeff Ginn
Sports Performance Coach: Ryan Cotter
Video Analyst: TBD
Head Athletic Trainer: Steven Reynolds

Chief Operating Officer: Elliot Fall
Team Administrator: Creighton Atkin
Equipment Manager: Juan Carlos Fresquez

RIO TINTO STADIUM

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Elevation: 4,420 feet
MLS Capacity: 20,180
Surface: Natural Grass
Field Dimensions: 75 x 115 yards
Opened: Oct. 9, 2008 (RSL 1:1 New York Red Bulls)

General Manager: Craig Martin
Vice President, Broadcasting & Communications: Trey Fitz-Gerald
Director, Event Services: Leif Smith
Director, Facilities: Carlos Acevedo
Manager, Pavilion / Private Events: Jared Danielson

Director, Fields & Grounds: Dan Farnes
Asst. Director, Fields & Grounds: Dustin Pixton

All-Time RSL Average: _____, _____ total over ___ games (MLS, USOC, exhibition)

Largest MLS Attendance: **21,004** (Sept. 19, 2015; RSL 3:0 LA Galaxy)
Largest non-MLS Soccer Attendance: **20,463** [October 19, 2010; RSL 3:1 Cruz Azul (MEX)]
Largest U.S. Men's National Team Attendance:
Largest International Friendly Attendance:
Largest U.S. Open Cup Attendance:
Largest USL Attendance: **13,979** (August 28, 2015 Monarchs 2:1 Sounders2)
Largest non-Soccer Attendance: **25,974** (July 13, 2010; Paul McCartney)

Largest NWSL Attendance: **x,xxx** (April 14, 2018; Royals FC x:x _____)

Largest U.S. Women's National Team Attendance:

Rice-Eccles Stadium (Real Salt Lake [MLS] April 2005 - Sept. 2008)

Largest Soccer Attendance: **45,511** (August 12, 2006 RSL 0:2 Real Madrid)
Largest MLS Attendance (doubleheader): **40,589** (June 4, 2005 RSL 3:0 Dallas; USA 3:1 Costa Rica WCQ)
Largest MLS Attendance (standalone): **26,391** (Sept. 20, 2008 RSL 0:1 Chivas USA)

All-Time RSL Average: _____, _____ total over ___ games (MLS, USOC, exhibition)

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Elevation: 4,730 feet
USL Capacity: ~**5,000**
Surface: "Greenfields Turf"
Field Dimensions: 75 x 115 yards
Opening Day: April 30, 2018; Real Monarchs v. Las Vegas Lights FC

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Manager, Zions Bank Real Academy / Real Monarchs Media: Taran Meyer
Director, Operations: Justin Nelson
Director, Event Services: David Harris
Manager, Zions Bank Training Center Programs: Ryan Creager

Largest USL Attendance: **x,xxx** (April 30, 2018; Monarchs x:x Las Vegas Lights FC)

Largest non-USL Soccer Attendance:

Largest non-Soccer Attendance:

BROADCAST INFORMATION

English Television: KMYU (MyTV) Ch. 2.2 (air) / 12 (DirecTV, Dish) / 643 (Comcast HD)
 Talent: David James (play-by-play) / Brian Dunseth (color analyst) / Rebecca Cade (host/sideline)
 Producer/Director: Ken Neal

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English Streaming for RSL / Royals FC / Monarchs:
 Via KSL OTT app (iOS, Android, Apple TV, Roku, Amazon Fire, other streaming devices) + KSL.com (desktop)

English Radio (RSL / Royals FC / Real Monarchs): ESPN 700 AM (KALL)
 RSL Talent: Bill Riley (play-by-play) / Jay Nolly (analyst)
 Tom Hackett (pre-/post-game host) / Spencer Warne (color) / Chad Barrett (color)

Royals FC Talent: Greg Wrubell (play-by-play) / Carla Haslam (analyst) / Jon Watkins (host)
 Producers: David Glauser / Lauren Mason Beck

Monarchs Talent: Landon Southwick (play-by-play) / Chad Barrett (analyst)
 Producers: David Glauser / Lauren Mason Beck

English Radio Backup Carriers, in case of conflicts: Rewind 100.7 FM / MIX 105.1 FM (KUDD)

Spanish Radio: 104.7 FM Mi Preferida / Placer 107.1 FM
 RSL/Monarchs Talent: Fernando Hortal (play-by-play) / German Hortal (analyst) / Jabes Cabrera (sideline) /
 Carlos Artiles (color)
 Producer: Angel Aguilar

Utah Royals FC Web Streams: www.KSL.com / www.NWSLsoccer.com / Verizon "Go90" app
 Talent: Greg Wrubell (play-by-play) / Carla Haslam (analyst)
 Producers: Ken Neal / Lance Hope / Tyler Gibbons

Monarchs Web Streams: www.KSL.com / www.USLsoccer.com
 Talent: Landon Southwick (play-by-play) / Chad Barrett (analyst)
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MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER HONORS (REAL SALT LAKE):

MLS Cup Semifinals: 2008
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 MLS Cup Quarterfinals: 2010
 CONCACAF Champions League Finalists 2011
 MLS Cup Semifinals: 2011

MLS Cup Quarterfinals: 2012
 U.S. Open Cup Finalists: 2013
 MLS Cup Finalists: 2013
 MLS Cup Quarterfinals: 2014
 CONCACAF Champions League Group Winners: 2015
 MLS Cup Playoffs: 2016

UNITED SOCCER LEAGUE HONORS (REAL MONARCHS SLC):

USL Regular-Season Shield Champions: 2017

CLUB OVERVIEW - 2018:

Real Salt Lake will soon kick off its 14th Major League Soccer season in 2018, the Utah side buoyed by a passionate fan base boasting nearly 15,000 season ticket holders and an engaged corporate community, achieving local relevance envied by many in the North American professional sports scene. RSL kicks off its ninth full campaign on March 10 at its Rio Tinto Stadium home in Sandy, where the "Claret-and-Cobalt" has enjoyed a most pronounced home-field advantage in Major League Soccer, entering this year posting an impressive 106-26-44 mark in the building since its inaugural game back on October 9, 2008.

New RSL Head Coach **Mike Petke** - now the fourth in the club's history - makes the selections for what is perhaps the deepest roster in RSL annals, welcoming back several key returning players on a roster also bolstered by new faces in the form of both veteran professionals and young Academy products.

After posting an 8-3-4 record over the final 15 matches of last season, Real Salt Lake was among the top teams in Major League Soccer after July 4, accruing the fourth-most points in that span. Long-time Captain **Kyle Beckerman** and MLS goalkeeping icon **Nick Rimando** both return for their 12th seasons with Real Salt Lake, surrounded by a slew of rising talents and veteran mainstays. That group includes the club's 2017 MVP and Golden Boot-winning playmaker **Albert Rusnák**, along with imposing center back **Marcelo Silva** and dynamic winger **Jefferson Savarino**, each of whom joined the squad a year ago, making big impacts in their first MLS seasons. The addition of forward **Alfredo Ortuño** bolsters an attack that saw four players score seven goals last season (Rusnák, Yura Movsisyan, **Joao Plata** and **Luis Silva**).

Additional veteran returnees include defenders **Tony Beltran** (out until at least August due to a knee injury suffered at Colorado last Oct. 15), **Demar Phillips** and **David Horst**, midfielders **Luke Mulholland** and **Sunday Stephen**, along with Homegrown talents **Jose Hernandez** and **Jordan Allen**. 2017 USL Regular Season Championship Shield winners in goalkeeper **Connor Sparrow**, defender **Taylor Peay** and midfielder **Nick Besler** also earned first-team contracts over the last seven months based on their Real Monarchs success.

The club continued to dip into its ever-expanding list of Academy products who have gone on to professional contracts with the additions of 2017 FIFA U-20 World Cup DF **Aaron Herrera** and three-time NCAA champion FW **Corey Baird**. In addition, the back line added Americans with European experience in **Adam Henley** and **Shawn Berry** to a veteran core. In the midfield, an accomplished young dual-national Argentine/Chilean teenager named **Pablo Ruiz** arrives in 2018, as does Croatian midfielder **Damir Kreilach**, former co-Captain of Union Berlin (2.Bundesliga).

In search of hardware, RSL seeks to return to the MLS Cup Playoffs for the first time since 2016 this season, after a remarkable seven-year run from 2008-14 that placed RSL among MLS elite (only LA Galaxy and Seattle Sounders accrued more points in that span). RSL's 13-year MLS history includes an **MLS Cup 2009 title**, the state of Utah's only major professional championship in the last 40 years. Recent campaigns have seen RSL advance to another MLS Cup title game, losing in 2013 via a penalty-kick shootout in Kansas City, where the 2015 squad also dropped a Semifinal match in the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup. RSL lost an Open Cup Final at home in 2013, the one-goal loss to D.C. United a bitter reminder of the Club's groundbreaking (and ultimately heartbreaking) run to the CONCACAF Champions League Final in 2011, when RSL became the first-ever - and still only - U.S. side to progress within one goal of the FIFA Club World Cup.

In 2015, RSL expanded its development pyramid with the addition of Real Monarchs SLC, one of several MLS-operated expansion clubs in the now 33-team USL. Former Head Coach **Freddy Juarez** - now an assistant with the first team - had enjoyed success developing homegrown players at the RSL-Arizona Academy in Casa Grande, Ariz., prior to moving to the professional ranks. For 2018, the Monarchs will call the newly-constructed Zions Bank Stadium in Herriman, Utah, home, opening on Sat., March 31 against Portland Timbers 2. Head Coach **Mark Briggs** - the reigning USL Coach of the Year based on his success after taking over for Petke last April - returns several key pieces for 2018, including USL MVP Finalist and Golden Boot runner-up **Chandler Hoffman**, dynamic playmaker **Sebastian Velasquez**, and midfield engine **Charlie Adams**.

In August of 2017, Real Salt Lake's vaunted Arizona-based Academy moved north to the Club's primary training center in Herriman, Utah, approximately 20 minutes southwest of Rio Tinto Stadium. The \$78 million facility will now serve as the Club's cornerstone, its daily training home opening in 2018 for both of the club's men's professional teams - Real Salt Lake (MLS) and Real Monarchs (USL) - while centralizing the club's U-19, U-17 and future U-15 development academy youth selections. The Herriman facility also provides adjacencies for an on-site charter school with STEM disciplines (Science/Technology/Engineering/Math) for nearly 300 local boys and girls.

Led by **Martin Vasquez** - who played 17 years professionally in both the U.S. and Mexico before coaching with LA Galaxy, Chivas USA, Bayern Munich and the U.S. National Team - RSL's Academy setup looks to continue its perennial U.S. Soccer Development Academy success integrating with the club's professional sides. Under his guidance, Vasquez and the RSL Academy have developed a setup that has produced professionals year-after-year for seven years, laying the groundwork for a system that has produced 15 homegrown players for RSL since 2011. The January signing of 3-time Stanford national champion **Corey Baird** brings RSL's list of Academy products on the current roster to eight, joining DF **Danilo Acosta**, FW **Jordan Allen**, DF **Justen Glad**, MF **Jose Hernandez**, DF **Aaron Herrera**, FW **Brooks Lennon** and MF **Sebastian "Bofo" Saucedo**. Other past Homegrown signings include Nico Muniz, Donny Toia, Lalo Fernandez, Benji Lopez, Phaniel Kavita, Fito Ovalle and Ricardo Velazco, while former RSL DF Carlos Salcedo was signed to a standard MLS contract.

Since coming to RSL at the beginning of last season as head coach of the Real Monarchs, Petke was stricken with the opportunity to work with someone of Vasquez's background. Now as RSL's boss, he works in lock-step with Vasquez as the two draw up the blueprints to the future of Real Salt Lake.

"He's been at the highest level as a player and a coach. How we're able to have somebody like this at our academy blows my mind. But I'm extremely excited about it," Petke said. "He just has a deep knowledge of the game. And he has that temperament of dealing with kids coming up through the ranks. His knowledge of tactics is spot on. It coincides with how I like to play and how we want to play. And he is able to get the most out of these kids psychologically, physically and tactically. My hat's off to him. I love working with him."

Last December in North Logan, Utah, RSL Owner **Dell Loy Hansen** ceremoniously opened the first of eight planned "regional training centers" across Utah and Arizona to be built in the next two years. Each \$5-6 million RTC houses a classroom, as well as an indoor and outdoor field, dedicated to fulfilling a curriculum based on the club's vision and mission for youth soccer training and education, and the continued development of both recreational and competitive pre-Academy (ages 7-14) initiatives across the InterMountain West.

In January, RSL announced that it would extend its youth development presence in Arizona, as Sereno Soccer Club merged with Legacy Soccer Club under the Claret-and-Cobalt umbrella, with **more than 7,000 boys and girls between the ages of 4-18 now composing a Phoenix-based "RSL Arizona" setup**. The partnership allows Real Salt Lake to continue its Arizona-based cultivation of talent, as Sereno has long been one of the premier youth soccer clubs in the United States and the top club in Arizona. During its nearly four decades of history, Sereno accounts for over 150 Arizona State Championships, 12 Regional Championships, four National Finalists and 2 National Championships.

The newly-combined RSL-Arizona has developed more than 30 professional players in the men's and women's games' highest levels, while boasting more than 70 players who have represented 14 countries at the youth or senior level amongst its alumni base. Notable Sereno products with ties to Real Salt Lake include current RSL FW **Brooks Lennon**, Real Monarchs SLC Assistant Coach **Danny Cruz** and former players such as Robbie Findley. Current and former U.S. Women's National Team icons hailing from the Arizona development juggernaut include Julie Ertz and Sydney Leroux, among others.

In 2016, the **RSL Foundation** was established, created with the goals of being active in the community year-round, utilizing the popularity and reach of RSL and the Monarchs in promoting health and wellness for children throughout the region, engaging supporters of soccer to raise funds and volunteer time for various local initiatives. Projects undertaken by and supported with Foundation resources include the Club's "Unified Team" with Utah Special Olympics, state-wide field restorations, referee training and community service.

New for 2018, the RSL pyramid welcomes the highest level of professional women's soccer in the world, as the NWSL Utah Royals FC now call Rio Tinto Stadium home. Led by revered boss **Laura Harvey**, the most successful head coach in the previous five NWSL seasons, Utah Royals FC boasts several international-caliber players on its inaugural roster - led by U.S.A. women **Becky Sauerbrunn**, the current Captain of the U.S. Women's National Team, and fellow USA standouts **Kelley O'Hara** and **Amy Rodriguez** - as well as Canadian National Team stars **Desiree Scott** and **Diana Matheson**, along with **Maegan Kelly**. Utah's 10 internationals also include **Katrina Gorry** (Australia), **Katie Bowen** (New Zealand), **Gunny Jonsdottir** (Iceland) and **Elise Thorsnes** (Norway).

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Head Coach: Mike Petke
Assistant Coaches: Freddy Juarez, Tyrone Marshall
Goalkeeper Coach: Todd Hoffard
Director, Physical Performance: Henry Ruggiero
Lead Sports Scientist: Matt Howley
Video Analyst: Ted Eck
Director of Athletic Training: Theron Enns, MA, ATC
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Assistant General Manager: Elliot Fall
Team Administrator: Tim Weaver
Equipment Manager: Alejandro Caparelli

TEAM INFORMATION / NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE

UTAH ROYALS FC (NWSL)

Head Coach: Laura Harvey
Assistant Coaches: Scott Parkinson, Amy LePeilbet
Goalkeeper Coach: Jason Batty
Sports Performance Coach: Melissa Terry
Head Athletic Trainer: Emily Fortunato

Managing Director: Stephanie Lee
Team Administrator: Phillippe Tabet
Equipment Manager: Karly Cebula

CLUB MEDICAL STAFF

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 Opened: Oct. 9, 2008; RSL 1:1 New York Red Bulls)

All-Time RSL Average: _____, _____ total over ___ games (MLS, USOC, exhibition)

Largest MLS Attendance: **21,004** (Sept. 19, 2015; RSL 3:0 LA Galaxy)
 Largest non-MLS Soccer Attendance: **20,463** [October 19, 2010; RSL 3:1 Cruz Azul (MEX)]
 Largest U.S. Men's National Team Attendance:
 Largest International Friendly Attendance:
 Largest U.S. Open Cup Attendance:
 Largest USL Attendance: **13,979** (August 28, 2015 Monarchs 2:1 Sounders2)
 Largest non-Soccer Attendance: **25,974** (July 13, 2010; Paul McCartney)

Largest NWSL Attendance: **x,xxx** (April 14, 2018; Royals FC x:x _____)

Largest U.S. Women's National Team Attendance:

Rice-Eccles Stadium (Real Salt Lake [MLS] April 2005 - Sept. 2008)

Largest Soccer Attendance: **45,511** (August 12, 2006 RSL 0:2 Real Madrid)
 Largest MLS Attendance (doubleheader): **40,589** (June 4, 2005 RSL 3:0 Dallas; USA 3:1 Costa Rica WCQ)
 Largest MLS Attendance (standalone): **26,391** (Sept. 20, 2008 RSL 0:1 Chivas USA)

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BROADCAST INFORMATION

English Television: KMYU (MyTV) Ch. 2.2 (air) / 12 (DirecTV, Dish) / 643 (Comcast HD)
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 Producer/Director: Ken Neal

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 RSL Talent: Bill Riley (play-by-play) / Jay Nolly (analyst)
 Tom Hackett (pre-/post-game host) / Spencer Warne (color) / Chad Barrett (color)

Monarchs Talent: Landon Southwick (play-by-play) / Chad Barrett (analyst)
 Producers: David Glauser / Lauren Mason Beck / Trevor Allen

English Radio (Royals FC): MIX 105.1 FM (KUDD)
 Talent: Greg Wrubell (play-by-play) / Carla Haslam (analyst) / Jon Watkins (host)
 Producers: David Glauser / Lauren Mason Beck / Trevor Allen

Spanish Radio: 104.7 FM Mi Preferida / Placer 107.1 FM
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GAME 2 vs. UTAH ROYALS FC



NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE

HOUSTON DASH HOST UTAH ROYALS FC IN FIRST MEETING BETWEEN BOTH CLUBS



The Houston Dash host the newest franchise in the league on Friday as Utah Royals FC visit BBVA Compass for the first time.

Houston looks to build on an opening day draw with the Chicago Red Stars last Sunday. It was the first game under head coach Vera Pauw, and rookie forward Kimberly Kever scored on her debut. The second-round draft pick was one of four rookies who earned their first start on Sunday. In total, seven players made their debuts with the club, which reflected the substantial turnover in the off-season.

The backline featured several familiar faces as goalkeeper Jane Campbell anchored a defense that included team captain Amber Brooks, two internationals in Rachel Daly and Janine Van Wyk, and Kristie Mewis, who made her first start at outside back for the club.

Utah concludes a two-game road trip after opening the season with a 1-1 draw in Orlando on Saturday. Laura Harvey's squad took an early lead as Diana Matheson found Gunnhildur Jonsdottir at the near post for the first goal in franchise history. It was Matheson's first game since the 2016 NWSL Championship due to an ACL injury she suffered last January. Orlando's Marta converted a penalty kick later in the first half which prevented Utah from earning their first victory of the season.

The core of Utah's roster played for FC Kansas City last season, including U.S. Women's National Team co-captain Becky Sauerbrunn, USWNT defender Kelly O'Hara, and Canadian midfielders Diana Matheson and Desiree Scott. This will be the first of three meetings this year as Houston visits Rio Tinto Stadium on May 19 and Utah returns to the Bayou City on Aug. 5.

INJURY REPORT

OUT: Kyah Simon (right hamstring injury – D45), Thembi Kgatlana (excused absence)

QUESTIONABLE: Allison Wetherington (left ankle sprain)

MATCH INFORMATION

Date: Friday, March 30
 Kickoff: 7 p.m. CDT
 Location: Houston, Texas
 Venue: BBVA Compass Stadium
 Forecast: Sunny/Clear 79°/60°
 Television: go90 App and NWSLSoccer.com

Referee: Elton Garcia
 Assistant Referees: Jeremy Weed
 Maggie Short
 Fourth Official: Andrea Jedele
Next match: **at Chicago Red Stars**
 Wednesday, April 18
 at 6:30 p.m. at Toyota Park

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GAME 2 vs. UTAH ROYALS FC



NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE

DASH VS ROYALS SERIES

Friday's match marks the first meeting between both clubs. This will be the first of three meetings this season.

DASH vs. ROYALS, ALL-TIME (0-0-0)

Date	H/A	Result
March 30, 2018	H	Dash vs. Royals
May 19, 2018	A	Dash vs. Royals
Aug. 5, 2018	H	Dash vs. Royals

DASH SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Venue	Time/Result
Sun. 3/25	vs. CHI	BBVA Compass	1-1
Fri. 3/30	vs. UTAH	BBVA Compass	6:30 PM
Wed. 4/18	at CHI	Toyota Park	6:30 PM
Sun. 4/22	at ORL	Orlando City	4:00 PM
Sat. 4/28	vs. NCC	BBVA Compass	2:30 PM
Sat. 5/5	at SBFC	Yurcak Field	6:00PM
Wed. 5/9	vs. PTFC	BBVA Compass	7:00PM
Sat. 5/12	at CHI	Toyota Park	7:00PM
Sat. 5/19	at UTAH	Rio Tinto	2:30 PM
Wed. 5/23	vs. SRFC	BBVA Compass	7:00PM
Sun. 5/27	vs. WAS	BBVA Compass	5:00PM
Sat. 6/2	vs. NCC	BBVA Compass	7:30PM
Fri. 6/22	vs. PTFC	BBVA Compass	7:30 PM
Wed. 6/27	at ORL	Orlando City	6:30 PM
Sat. 7/7	at SRFC	Memorial	9:00 PM
Wed. 7/11	vs. ORL	BBVA Compass	7:30PM
Sun. 7/15	at PTFC	Providence Park	10:00 PM
Sat. 7/21	at WAS	MD SoccerPlex	6:00PM
Sun. 8/5	vs. UTAH	BBVA Compass	7:30PM
Sat. 8/11	at SBFC	Yurcak Field	6:00 PM
Fri. 8/17	vs. WAS	BBVA Compass	7:30PM
Tue. 8/21	at SEA	Memorial	9:30PM
Sat. 8/25	vs. SBFC	BBVA Compass	7:30PM
Sat.9/8	at NCC	WakeMed	6:00PM

PROBABLE LINEUP



A WIN WOULD

- Give head coach Vera Pauw her first victory with the club
- Give Houston their first victory of the season and at BBVA Compass Stadium
- Improve Houston's record in 2018 to 1-0-1
- Give Houston their first victory over Utah Royals FC
- Improve Houston's record at BBVA Compass Stadium to 14-21-8



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NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE

DASH IN 2018

SITUATION	HOME	AWAY	OVERALL
At Home	0-0-1	-	0-0-1
On Road	-	-	-
Day (Before 5pm)	0-0-1	-	0-0-1
Night (After 5pm)	-	-	-
On Grass:	0-0-1	-	0-0-1
On Turf:	-	-	-
Scoring First:	0-0-1	-	0-0-1
Opp. Scoring First:	-	-	-
One-Goal Games:	0-0-1	-	0-0-1
Leading at Half:	0-0-1	-	0-0-1
Trailing at Half:	-	-	-
Tied at Half:	-	-	-
Leading at 75th:	0-0-1	-	0-0-1
Trailing at 75th:	-	-	-
Level at 75th:	-	-	-
Scoring 0 Goals:	-	-	-
Scoring 1 Goal:	0-0-1	-	0-0-1
Scoring 2 Goals:	-	-	-
Scoring 3+ Goals:	-	-	-
Allowing 0 Goals:	-	-	-
Allowing 1 Goal:	0-0-1	-	0-0-1
Allowing 2 Goals:	-	-	-
Allowing 3+ Goals:	-	-	-
ET Zone:	-	-	-
CT Zone:	0-0-1	-	0-0-1
PT Zone:	-	-	-
Wednesday:	-	-	-
Thursday:	-	-	-
Friday:	-	-	-
Saturday:	-	-	-
Sunday:	0-0-1	-	0-0-1
March	0-0-1	-	0-0-1
April:	-	-	-
May:	-	-	-
June:	-	-	-
July:	-	-	-
August:	-	-	-
September:	-	-	-
October:	-	-	-

2018 DASH TEAM LEADERS

GOALS	
Kimberly Kever	1
ASSISTS	
Savannah Jordan	1
SHOTS	
Savannah Jordan	3
Meleana Shim	3
Nichelle Prince	2
SHOTS ON GOAL	
Savannah Jordan	3
Meleana Shim	3
Nichelle Prince	2
OFFSIDE	
Linda Motlhalo	1
Nichelle Prince	1
FOULS COMMITTED	
Lindsay Agnew	3
Amber Brooks	2
Kimberly Kever	3
FOULS SUFFERED	
Kristie Mewis	3
Meleana Shim	3



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NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE

DASH OPEN 2018 REGULAR SEASON WITH 1-1 DRAW WITH CHICAGO



The Houston Dash opened the 2018 NWSL regular season with a 1-1 draw with the Chicago Red Stars this afternoon at BBVA Compass Stadium.

Kimberly Kever, one of three first-year players to start for Houston, scored her first goal as a professional in the 37th minute after she slid toward a low cross from Savannah Jordan at the near post to score Houston's lone goal of the game.

Chicago salvaged a draw when Danielle Colaprico's corner kick found Taylor Comeau in the first minute of second half stoppage time.

Jordan was inches away from her own goal in the 21st minute after her effort went wide of the far post. Veronica Latsko won the ball outside the box, found Linda Motlhalo who found Jordan in stride for Houston's first scoring opportunity of the game.

Meleana Shim forced a save after her free kick went straight to goal, but Red Stars goalkeeper Alyssa Naeher was well positioned to handle her shot.

Houston almost doubled their lead minutes into the second half as Shim found Latsko unmarked inside the box, but her effort was blocked by Naeher who closed down quickly on the rookie.

Houston's fast start to the second half continued in the 50th minute after Rachel Daly's effort from outside the box was redirected by Nichelle Prince, but her effort went wide of the near post.

CAMPBELL NAMED TO USWNT ROSTER FOR APRIL FRIENDLIES

Jane Campbell was named to the U.S. Women's National Team roster for two friendlies in April, U.S. Soccer announced today.

The USWNT will face Mexico in a two-game series that begins in Jacksonville, Florida on April 5. Campbell and the reigning FIFA World Cup Champions travel to Houston on April 7 for the final game of the series at BBVA Compass Stadium.

The goalkeeper earned her first senior cap with the national team last April at BBVA Compass Stadium as the USWNT defeated Russia 5-1. The 22-year-old earned her second senior cap in the USWNT's 6-0 victory over South Korea last October as a second-half substitute. Campbell finished her rookie season with the Dash with three shutouts and 65 saves over 16 games, the most since the club's inaugural season.

RACHEL DALY NAMED TO ENGLAND WNT FOR FIFA QUALIFYING

Houston Dash defender Rachel Daly was named to the England Women's National Team roster for a pair of upcoming FIFA Women's World Cup Qualifying matches, the English Football Association announced earlier today.

England, currently ranked second in FIFA's most recent world rankings, will face Wales on April 6 in Southampton and will travel to Bosnia and Herzegovina on April 10 as they look to qualify for their fourth consecutive Women's World Cup.

Daly has earned nine caps for the Lionesses, including two appearances in the SheBelieves Cup earlier this year. She earned her first senior cap on June 4, 2014 against Serbia, scoring on her international debut in a 7-0 England victory.

Daly started at right back for the Dash in their 2018 NWSL season opener on Sunday afternoon, providing cover in defense and pushing into the attack along the right flank as the Dash drew Chicago 1-1 to kick off the season.



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HOW CHEETAHS INSPIRE THE 2018 DASH

The Houston Dash took the field of BBVA Compass Stadium on Tuesday morning for training in advance of Sunday's season opener against the Chicago Red Stars (4 p.m., TICKETS) only to find a special guest from the Houston Zoo, Kito, getting his own workout in on the field.

Kito is a 10-year-old male cheetah, invited by head coach Vera Pauw to exercise at BBVA Compass Stadium prior to training as an example for her squad for how she wants to set up her tactics and game-plan going into her first season in charge.

"The cheetah stands for a set of characteristics that we are looking to have," Pauw told reporters during the team's media day. "They only run when they have to run; they're not just running around or fooling around. It is a very disciplined animal because they can only run [full speed] for maybe 30 seconds, and then they have to sleep for 18 hours."

The approach – minus the 18 hours of sleep – is one that Pauw hopes will distinguish the Dash within the NWSL and take advantage of the heat during the Houston summer. Let the other team run and wear themselves out, then strike with devastating quickness.

"We should not just run for the sake of running – which was happening a lot and it is happening a lot in the league. We have to be very efficient," Pauw explained. "Soccer is an explosive sport, and it's related to sprint and explosive actions. We brought [Kito] in as a symbol for our style of play."

Disciplined runs aren't the only similarities between the cheetahs and the Dash. Kito and his brother, Kiburi, utilize the practice fields at Houston Sports Park to open their legs and run sprints, and one of the younger cheetahs at the Houston Zoo is even named Dash.

Pauw uses the example of the cheetahs beyond her in-game approach and into the team's practices as well. "Short sessions with a lot of intensity" is how she described their training methods, demanding 100% from everybody in everything they do on the pitch but not over-exerting players before actual

games.

With nearly half of the roster turned over for 2018 as well as a new coach, the Dash have had to be quick learners to grasp the new philosophy while also learning the tendencies and qualities of new teammates. Pauw has been encouraged by their flexibility and even says the team is even ahead of schedule of where she originally mapped out going into the first match.

"The way each of them has been on the pitch has been above any of the expectations so far. I'm pleased, and the team is enjoying it. From here we build a fantastic season."

-Ben Crook, HoustonDashSoccer.com

DASH ACQUIRE THIRD-ROUND DRAFT PICK FROM ORLANDO FOR OKVIST

The Houston Dash acquired the Orlando Pride's natural third-round pick in the 2019 NWSL College Draft for defender Lotta Okvist, the club announced today.

Okvist was selected by Houston in the NWSL's Dispersal Draft on January 30. The defender spent last year with Piteå IF in Sweden's Damallsvenskan, appearing in 25 games. Okvist was a member of Sweden's youth national team that won the U-19 UEFA title in 2016.



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ABOUT BBVA COMPASS STADIUM



BBVA Compass Stadium is a state-of-the-art, open-air stadium designed to host Houston Dynamo matches, Houston Dash matches and Texas Southern University football games as well as additional professional, collegiate and community sporting events, concerts, exhibitions, conventions and special events. Opened on May 12, 2012, the 340,000-square foot, 22,000-seat stadium is the first soccer-specific stadium in Major League Soccer located in a city's downtown district.

An architecturally stunning building, the stadium features 94,000 square feet of aluminum panels on its exterior, giving it a modern and stylish appearance. Each of the panels is 50 percent open to improve air flow throughout the concourses. Canopies extend 75 feet over the stands on the east and west sides of the stadium, and a stage canopy extends 125 feet over the south end, providing shade to soccer fans and a built-in speaker setup for concerts. With its downtown location, the stadium is a part of a true 'Stadium District,' which includes Minute Maid Park and the Toyota Center, as well as the George R. Brown Convention Center, Discovery Green, Warehouse Live and House of Blues.

BBVA Compass Stadium was awarded the LEED® Silver certification from the U.S. Green Building Council in December 2012. The stadium has been identified as a pioneering example of new construction and sustainable design and is considered a leader in transforming the building industry.

BBVA COMPASS STADIUM QUICK FACTS

Year opened	2012
Capacity, soccer	22,000
Cost to build	\$95,000,000
Groundbreaking	Feb. 5, 2011
First Dynamo match	Dynamo vs. D.C. United, May 12, 2012
Largest crowd, Dynamo matches	22,651 (Dynamo vs. Chicago, July 3, 2015)
Largest crowd, soccer	22,651 (Dynamo vs. Chicago, July 3, 2015)
Largest crowd, concert	21,257 (Ed Sheeran, Sept. 3, 2015)
Dynamo record (W-L-T) at BBVA Compass Stadium	50-19-28
Dash record (W-L-T) at BBVA Compass Stadium	13-21-8
Average number of ticketed events per year	50
Size of pitch for soccer events	115x73 yards
Type of grass	Tifway 419 Bermuda



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DASH COACHING STAFF

VERA PAUW



Vera Pauw, 54, joins the Dash after two years with the South African Women's National Team. Pauw led Banyana Banyana to their second consecutive Olympic Games in the 2016 edition in Rio de Janeiro. The Amsterdam native also led the South Africans to the semifinals of the 2014 Confederation of African Football Women's Championship.

In addition to her work on the touchline, Pauw has served on technical advisory boards and as an instructor at numerous coaching functions hosted by FIFA and UEFA since 1994. The former Dutch international defender was the first female to earn the UEFA Pro License from the Royal Dutch Football Association in 2005, passing with the highest rates ever obtained.

Additionally, Pauw was a key component in developing policy that implemented mixed gender football for the most talented players in the country and organizing the structure of the Eredivisie Vrouwen, the Dutch women's first division. Pauw was honored for her contributions to the game in prior to the 2017 UEFA Women's Championship as a Knight of the Royal Dutch Football Association.

Pauw brings more than 15 years of experience as an international manager with stints throughout Europe. Prior to joining South Africa, she spent two years as the technical director and head coach of the Russian Women's National Team in 2011. Pauw served as the head coach of the Netherlands from 2004-2010 and led her home country to its first major tournament, the 2009 UEFA Women's European Championship. The Netherlands entered the tournament as the lowest-ranked teams, and one of the youngest, yet finished in third place, the highest honor until earlier this year when the Oranje won the tournament.

LISA COLE



Lisa Cole joins the Dash after two years with the Papua New Guinea U-20 Women's National Team. The former Boston Breakers head coach brings more than 20 years of experience coaching elite youth, college and professional clubs throughout the country.

Dash head coach Vera Pauw served as the head of the FIFA technical study group during the 2016 U-20 FIFA Women's World Cup in Papua New Guinea, which coincided with Cole's tenure with the host nation.



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2018 GAME-BY-GAME SUBSTITUTIONS

Game	1st Substitution	2nd Substitution	3rd Substitution
3-25 vs. CHI	Nichelle Prince for Kimberly Kever 46'	Lindsay Agnew for Savannah Jordan 72'	Claire Falknor for Linda Motlhalo 77'
3-30 vs. URFC			
4-18 at CRS			
4-22 at ORL			
4-28 vs. NCC			
5-5 at SBFC			
5-9 vs. PTFC			
5-12 at CRS			
5-19 at URFC			
5-23 vs. SRFC			
5-27 vs. WAS			
6-2 vs. NCFC			
6-22 vs. PTFC			
6-27 at ORL			
7-7 at SRFC			
7-11 vs. ORL			
7-15 at PTFC			
7-21 at WAS			
8-5 vs. URFC			
8-11 at SBFC			
8-17 vs. WAS			
8-21 at SRFC			
8-25 vs. SBFC			
8-8 at NCFC			



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HOUSTON DASH TV ROSTER



1 JANE CAMPBELL



2 MICHAELA HAHN



3 RACHEL DALY



4 ALLISON WETHERINGTON



5 JANINE VAN WYK



6 MELEANA SHIM



7 KEALIA OHAI



8 CLAIRE FALKNOR



9 HALEY HANSON



10 LINDA MOTLHALO



11 THEMBI KGATLANG



12 VERONICA LATSKO



13 SAVANNAH JORDAN



14 NICHELLE PRINCE



16 SAMMY JO PRUDHOMME



17 KYAH SIMON



18 KIMBERLY KEEVER



19 KRISTIE MEWIS



20 LINDSAY AGNEW



21 ALLI MURPHY



22 AMBER BROOKS



30 BIANCA HENNINGER



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2018 HOUSTON DASH ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

NO.	NAME	POSITION	HEIGHT	DOB	HOMETOWN	COLLEGE/SCHOOL
20	Lindsay Agnew	FW	5'8	3/31/1995	Kingston Ohio	
22	Amber Brooks	DF	5'6	1/23/1991	New Hope, PA	North Carolina
1	Jane Campbell	GK	5'9	2/17/1995	Kennesaw, GA	Stanford
3	Rachel Daly	FW	5'8	12/6/1991	Harrogate, England	St. John's
8	Claire Falknor	MF	5'4	5/12/1993	Dayton, OH	Florida
18	Kimberly Keever	FW	5'5	9/22/1995	Manhattan Beach, CA	Washington
11	Thembi Kgatlana	MF	5'1	5/2/1991	Leratong, Gauteng	
2	Michaela Hahn	MF	5'4	4/19/1994	Titusville, FL	Florida State
9	Haley Hanson	MF	5'6	2/22/1996	Overland Park, KS	Nebraska
30	Bianca Henninger	GK	5'6	10/22/1990	Los Gatos, CA	Santa Clara
13	Savannah Jordan	FW	5'6	1/24/1995	Fayetteville, GA	Florida
16	Veronica Latsko	MF	5'8	12/12/1995	Venetia, PA	Virginia
19	Kristie Mewis	MF	5'6	2/25/1991	Hanson, MA	Boston College
10	Linda Motlhalo	MF	5'4	7/1/1998	Brandvlei, South Africa	
21	Alli Murphy	DF	5'2	5/13/1994	Plano, Texas	Texas Tech
7	Kealia Ohai	FW	5'5	1/31/1992	Draper, UT	North Carolina
14	Nichelle Prince	FW	5'4	2/19/1995	Ajax, Ontario	Ohio
16	Sammy Joe Prudhomme	GK	5'10	11/25/1993	Aliso Viejo, CA	USC
6	Meleana Shim	FW	5'4	11/25/1991	Honolulu, HI	Santa Clara
17	Kyah Simon	FW	5'5	6/25/1991	Quakers Hill, New South Wales	
5	Janine Van Wyk	DF	5'4	4/17/1987	Alberton, South Africa	
4	Allison Wetherington	MF	5'4	11/30/1994	Acworth, GA	Portland

2018 HOUSTON DASH NUMERICAL ROSTER

NO.	NAME	PRONUNCIATION	PLACE OF BIRTH	LAST TEAM
1	Jane Campbell		Kennesaw, GA	Stanford
2	Michaela Hahn	Mih-KAY-lah	Titusville, FL	Apollon Limassol
3	Rachel Daly		Harrogate, England	St. John's
4	Allison Wetherington		Acworth GA	Universtiy of Portland
5	Janine Van Wyk	PHAn WAYK	Alberton, South Africa	J.V.W. FC
6	Meleana Shim	Meh-leh-AH-na	Honolulu, HI	Vaxjo DFF
7	Kealia Ohai		Draper, UT	North Carolina
8	Claire Falknor		Dayton, OH	Bayern Munich
9	Haley Hanson		Overland Park, KS	Nebraska
10	Linda Motlhalo	Mot-LAH-lo	Brandvlei, South Africa	J.V.W. FC
11	Thembi Kgatlana	TIM-bee Kat-LAH-na	Leratong, Gauteng	J.V.W. FC
12	Veronica Latsko	LATS-ko	Venetia, PA	Virginia
13	Savannah Jordan		Fayetteville, GA	Portlnd Thorns FC
14	Nichelle Prince	Nih-SHELL	Ajax, Ontario	Ohio State
16	Sammy Joe Prudhomme		Aliso Viejo, CA	Boston Breakers
17	Kyah Simon	KEYE-ah	Blacktown, Australia	Melbourne City
18	Kimberly Keever		Manhattan Beach, CA	Washington
19	Kristie Mewis		Hanson, MA	Chicago Red Stars
20	Lindsay Agnew		Kingston	Washington Spirit
21	Alli Murphy		Plano, Texas	Gustafs Golf
22	Amber Brooks		Evansville, IN	Seattle Reign FC
23	Christen Press		Palos Verdes Estates	Chicago Red Stars
30	Bianca Henninger	HEN-in-jer	Los Gatos, CA	FC Kansas City



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HOW THE 2018 DASH WERE ASSEMBLED

Date	Player	Transaction type
1/17/14	Kealia Ohai	Selected in 2014 NWSL College Draft Round 1 (pick 2)
10/26/15	Amber Brooks	Traded from Seattle Reign FC for Meghan Klingenberg and a conditional selection in the 2017 NWSL College Draft
1/15/16	Rachel Daly	Selected in 2016 NWSL College Draft Round 1 (pick 6)
12/21/16	Janine Van Wyk	Signed as a Discovery player
1/22/17	Jane Campbell	Selected in 2017 NWSL College Draft Round 2 (pick 15)
1/12/17	Nichelle Prince	Selected in 2017 NWSL College Draft Round 3 (pick 28)
2/24/17	Claire Falknor	Signed as a Discovery player
8/3/2017	Bianca Henninger	Signed as a goalkeeper replacement
8/30/2017	Kristie Mewis	Traded from Chicago Red Stars for Morgan Brian and future considerations
1/12/18	Savannah Jordan	Traded from Portland Thorns FC for Andressinha
1/16/18	Lindsay Agnew	Traded from Washington Spirit for 3rd overall selection in the 2018 NWSL College Draft
1/30/18	Sammy Joe Prudhomme	Selected in NWSL's Disbursal Draft
1/30/18	Kyah Simon	Obtained rights in NWSL Disbursal Draft
1/31/18	Michaela Hahn	Acquired from the Cypriot First Division with Apollon Ladies FC
1/31/18	Allison Wetherington	Acquired as a discovery signing
2/1/18	Linda Motlhalo	Signed as a discovery player
2/17/18	Thembi Kgatlana	Signed as a discovery player
3/16/18	Maleana Shim	Acquired from Sweden with Vaxjo DFF
3/23/18	Haley Hanson	Selected in 2018 NWSL College Draft Round 1 (pick 7)
3/23/18	Kimberly Keever	Selected in 2018 NWSL College Draft Round 2 (pick 12)
3/23/18	Veronica Latsko	Selected in 2018 NWSL College Draft Round 3 (pick 28)
3/23/18	Alli Murphy	Signed as a Discovery player

Acquisitions by method**

Allocated national player	2
NWSL College Draft	7
Trade	5
Discovery player	4



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NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE

1 JANE CAMPBELL GK

Height 5-9
 Age 22
 DOB 2/17/95
 Nationality USA
 Hometown Kennesaw, Ga.
 2017 GP/GS 15/15
 2018 GP/GS 1/1
 NWSL Career GP/GS 17/17
 Dash GP/GS 17/17
 Twitter @JANE_CAMPBELL1



Selected with the No. 15 overall pick in the 2017 NWSL College Draft.

- Registered three shutouts in 2017
- Made her USWNT debut as a substitute in the 5-1 victory over Russia on 4/9/17
- Named to the 2016 NSCAA All-American Team in her final year at Stanford
- Finished her collegiate career with 35 shutouts, tied for the most in program history; 7431 minutes defending the Cardinal goal with 210 saves.
- First high school-aged player to be called into the full national team since forward Amy Rodriguez in 2005.

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	MP	SOG	SV	SO	GA	GAA	W	L	T
2017	HOU	16	16	1440	0	52	3	24	1.2	5	8	3
2018	HOU	1	1	90	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	1
NWSL TOTALS		17	17	1530	0	53	3	251.05	5	8	4	

CAREER HIGHS

Saves 3; April 22, 2017, HOU at SEA

THE LAST TIME

Last start March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
 Last appearance March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
 Last clean sheet July 22, 2017, HOU vs. BOS

2 MICHAELA HAHN MF

Height 5-4
 Age 24
 DOB 4/19/1994
 Nationality USA
 Hometown Titusville, FL
 2017 GP/GS 0/0
 2018 GP/GS 0/0
 NWSL Career GP/GS 13/8
 Dash GP/GS 0/0
 Twitter N/A



Joined the Dash as a discovery player on 1/31

- Appeared in 13 games for the WNY Flash during her rookie season in 2016, scoring one goal and adding and assist
- Appeared in 103 games at Florida State University
- Won three consecutive ACC titles at FSU (2013-15)
- Won the first national title in school history in 2014

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF
2016	WNYF	13	8	659	1	1	9	2	3	4	-
2017	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2018	HOU	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NWSL TOTALS		13	8	659	1	1	9	2	3	4	-

CAREER HIGHS

Goals 1; 2016 NWSL regular season
 Assists 1; 2016 NWSL regular season
 Shots on Goal 2; 2016 NWSL regular season
 Shots 9; 2016 NWSL regular season
 Fouls Committed 3; 2016 NWSL regular season
 Fouls Suffered 4; 2016 NWSL regular season

THE LAST TIME

Last start None with Dash
 Last appearance None with Dash
 Last goal None with Dash
 Last assist None with Dash



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GAME 2 vs. UTAH ROYALS FC



NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE

3 RACHEL DALY DF

Height..... 5-8
Age 24
DOB 12/6/91
NationalityEngland
Hometown Harrogate, England
2017 GP/GS 23/23
2018 GP/GS 1/1
NWSL Career GP/GS 40/36
Dash GP/GS..... 40/36
Twitter..... @RACHELDALY3



Selected with the sixth overall pick in the 2016 NWSL College Draft. First English player ever selected in the NWSL college draft.

- Scored a career-high five goals in 2017
- Scored four goals and tallied four assists in 2016
- Selected as the NWSL Player of the Week for Week 1 of the 2016 NWSL season
- Scored and registered an assist in her Dash debut on 4/16/16 vs. Red Stars
- Set St. John's career records with 50 goals and 111 points in just three seasons, including an NCAA-leading 23 goals in 2013

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF
2016	HOU	16	12	1186	4	4	41	16	20	16	19
2017	HOU	23	23	2023	5	2	55	25	28	30	15
2018	HOU	1	1	90	-	-	1	1	1	2	-
NWSL TOTALS		40	36	3299	9	6	97	42	49	48	34

CAREER HIGHS

Goals 1; July 30, 2016, HOU vs WNY
Assists 1; May 7, 2016, HOU at FCKC
Shots on Goal 3; April 29, 2016, HOU vs. SBFC
Shots 6; April 29, 2016, HOU vs. SBFC
Fouls Committed 3; May 14, 2016, HOU at WAS
Fouls Suffered 2; July 23, 2016, HOU at CHI

THE LAST TIME

Last start March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
Last appearance March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
Last goal Sept. 23, 2017, HOU vs. CHI
Last assist Julv 15, 2017. HOU vs. WAS

4 ALLISON WETHERINGTON MF

Height.....5-4
Age24
DOB 11/30/1994
Nationality..... USA
HometownAcworth, GA.
2017 GP/GS 0/0
2018 GP/GS 0/0
NWSL Career GP/GS..... 0/0
Dash GP/GS 0/0
Twitter.....@allisonw023



Signed as a discovery player on 1/31

- Played with the U.S. U-18 National Team (2011-12) and the U-20 National Team
- Played with the ODP Region III Team (2010-2011), traveled to Spain with the Region III Team and also played with the Georgia ODP for five years (2007-11).
- Named WCC Freshman of the Year in 2013 at the University of Portland
- Named All-WCC First Team twice in 2014 and 2016
- Finished her collegiate career with 13 goals and 20 assists

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF
2018	HOU	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NWSL TOTALS		-									

CAREER HIGHS

Goals 0
Assists 0
Shots on Goal 0
Shots 0
Fouls Committed 0
Fouls Suffered 0

THE LAST TIME

Last start None with Dash
Last appearance None with Dash
Last goal None with Dash
Last assist None with Dash



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GAME 2 vs. UTAH ROYALS FC



NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE

5 JANINE VAN WYK DF

Height 5-4
 Age 29
 DOB 4/17/1987
 Nationality South Africa
 Hometown Alberton, RSA
 2017 GP/GS 17/17
 2016 GP/GS 1/1
 NWSL Career GP/GS 18/18
 Dash GP/GS 18/18
 Twitter @JANINEVANWYK5



Signed by the Dash in 2016 as a discovery signing. The defender is the first South African player to sign for the club.

- Made her Dash debut on 4/15/17 in 2-0 victory over Chicago
- Has 142 appearances with South African Women's National team and made her debut as a 17-year-old in 2005
- Appeared in two Olympic Games (2012, 2016) and was a member of the national teams that finished second in the 2008 and 2012 Africa Women Cup of Nations.

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF
2017	HOU	17	17	1472	0	0	1	1	18	12	0
2018	HOU	1	1	90	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
NWSL TOTALS		18	18	1562	0	0	1	1	18	12	1

CAREER HIGHS

Goals	0
Assists	0
Shots on Goal	0
Shots	0
Fouls Committed	0
Fouls Suffered	0

THE LAST TIME

Last start	March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
Last appearance	March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
Last goal	None with Dash
Last assist	None with Dash

6 MELEANA SHIM MF

Height 5-4
 Age 26
 DOB 9/26/91
 Nationality USA
 Hometown .. Honolulu, Hawaii
 2017 GP/GS 6/3
 2018 GP/GS 1/1
 NWSL Career GP/GS 75/47
 Dash GP/GS 1/1
 Twitter @meleanashim



Acquired from Sweden club Vaxjo DFF in March

- Named the team's 2013 Portland Thorns FC Newcomer of the Year after tallying five goals and two assists in 19 appearances (17 starts) during her first professional season in 2013
- Became the fourth player in Thorns history to surpass 4,000 career minutes played
- Helped lead the U.S. Under-23 Women's National Team to the Six Nations Tournament championship in 2012, scoring a goal in a 2-1 win over Norway in the final

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF
2013	PTFC	19	17	1416	5	2	25	13	17	11	1
2014	PTFC	17	4	530	0	2	14	6	4	6	0
2015	PTFC	18	13	1127	4	4	21	13	7	6	0
2016	PTFC	14	9	814	0	1	7	2	9	3	1
2017	PTFC	6	3	209	0	0	4	0	2	3	1
2018	HOU	1	1	90	-	-	3	3	-	3	-
NWSL TOTALS		75	47	4186	9	9	74	37	39	32	3

CAREER HIGHS

Goals	5; 2013 NWSL season
Assists	4; 2015 NWSL season
Shots on Goal	13; 2013 and 2015 NWSL season
Shots	25; 2013 NWSL season
Fouls Committed	17; 2013 NWSL season
Fouls Suffered	11; 2013 NWSL season

THE LAST TIME

Last start	March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
Last appearance	March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
Last goal	None with Dash
Last assist	None with Dash



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GAME 2 vs. UTAH ROYALS FC



NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE

7 KEALIA OHAI FW

Height 5-5
Age 24
DOB 1/31/92
Nationality USA
Hometown Draper, Utah
2017 GP/GS 10/19
2018 GP/GS 0/0
NWSL Career GP/GS 72/68
Dash GP/GS 72/68
Twitter @KEALIAOHAI



Selected by the Houston Dash with the No. 2 overall selection in the 2014 NWSL College Draft. Ohai is the first draft pick in Dash franchise history.

- Finished April with two goals and an assist, named to NWSL Team of the Month
- Scored her first goal of the season in 2-0 victory over Chicago on 4/15
- Finished with a club-record 11 goals and finished second for the Golden Boot due to the tiebreaker (assists) in 2016
- Voted Week 15 and Week 17 NWSL Player of the Week in 2016
- Scored the winning goal in final of FIFA U-20 World Cup in 2012, a 1-0 victory over Germany

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF
2014	HOU	23	21	1817	4	1	46	22	17	9	14
2015	HOU	19	19	1692	4	5	39	21	6	11	24
2016	HOU	20	18	1622	11	4	51	31	8	10	31
2017	HOU	10	10	863	2	2	25	12	4	7	17
NWSL TOTALS		72	67	5994	21	12	161	86	35	37	86

CAREER HIGHS

Goals 11; 2016 NWSL season
Assists 5; 2015 NWSL season
Shots on Goal 22; 2014 NWSL season
Shots 46; 2014 NWSL season
Fouls Committed 17; 2014 NWSL season
Fouls Suffered 11; 2015 NWSL season

THE LAST TIME

Last start June 24, 2017, HOU at ORL
Last appearance June 24, 2017, HOU at ORL
Last goal April 29, 2017, HOU at WAS
Last assist May 13, 2017, HOU vs. SBFC

8 CLAIRE FALKNOR DF

Height 5-4
Age 24
DOB 5/12/1993
Nationality USA
Hometown Dayton, Ohio
2017 GP/GS 7/3
2018 GP/GS 1/1
NWSL Career GP/GS 8/4
Dash GP/GS 8/4
Twitter N/A



Acquired as a Discovery Signing in February after the defender spent 2016 in Germany with Bayern Munich.

- Scored two goals in nine appearances for Bayern Munich
- Named a 2015 All-American and to the 2015 All-Southeastern Conference Team at Florida
- Finished with 65 consecutive starts at Florida
- Represented the U.S. U-23 Women's National Team at the Four Nations Tournament in 2015

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF
2017	HOU	7	3	275	0	0	1	1	1	3	0
2018	HOU	1	-	13	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
NWSL TOTALS		8	3	288	0	0	1	1	2	3	0

CAREER HIGHS

Goals 0
Assists 0
Shots on Goal 1; 2017 NWSL season
Shots 1; 2017 NWSL season
Fouls Committed 1; 2017 NWSL season
Fouls Suffered 3; 2017 NWSL season

THE LAST TIME

Last start Sept. 23, 2017, HOU vs. CHI
Last appearance March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
Last goal None with Dash
Last assist None with Dash



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GAME 2 vs. UTAH ROYALS FC



NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE

9 HALEY HANSON FW

Height5-6
Age22
DOB 2/22/1996
Nationality USA
Hometown Overland Park, Kan.
2017 GP/GS..... 0/0
2018 GP/GS..... 1/1
NWSL Career GP/GS 1/1
Dash GP/GS..... 1/1
Twitter @hay_hanson



Drafted with the seventh overall selection in the 2018 NWSL College Draft

- Made her Dash debut in a 1-1 draw vs. Chicago on 3/25
- Scored 19 goals and tallied seven assists over her four-year career with the University of Nebraska
- Named to the United Soccer Coaches All-Midwest Region Second-Team, Second-Team All-Big Ten, U.S. U-23 Women's National Team Training Camp in 2017

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF
2018	HOU	1	1	90	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
NWSL TOTALS		1	1	90	0	0	0	0	0	1	0

CAREER HIGHS

Goals 0
Assists 0
Shots on Goal 0
Shots 0
Fouls Committed 0
Fouls Suffered 0

THE LAST TIME

Last start March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
Last appearance March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
Last goal None with Dash
Last assist None with Dash

10 LINDA MOTLHALO MF

Height 5-4
Age 19
DOB 7/1/98
Nationality South Africa
Hometown . Brandvlei, South Africa
2017 GP/GS..... 0/0
2018 GP/GS..... 1/1
NWSL Career GP/GS 1/1
Dash GP/GS..... 1/1
Twitter @MaserameLinda



Signed as a discovery player on 2/1

- Made her Dash debut in a 1-1 draw vs. Chicago on 3/25
- Scored two goals and earned 14 caps with the senior team since making her debut iun 2016
- Represented Banyana Banyana at the U-20 level in the 2015 Confederation of African Football U-20 Women's World Cup Qualifying Tournament.
- Spent two seasons in South Africa's Sasol League with JWV F.C.
- The midfielder won the Gauteng Sasol League in 2016 with the club and finished second in the national tournament.

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF
2018	HOU	1	1	77	-	-	-	-	1	2	1
NWSL TOTALS		1	1	77	0	0	0	0	1	2	1

CAREER HIGHS

Goals 0
Assists 0
Shots on Goal 0
Shots 0
Fouls Committed 0
Fouls Suffered 0

THE LAST TIME

Last start March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
Last appearance March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
Last goal None with Dash
Last assist None with Dash



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GAME 2 vs. UTAH ROYALS FC



NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE

11 THEMBI KGATLANA FW

Height5-1
 Age26
 DOB5/2/96
 NationalitySouth Africa
 Hometown Banyana, South Africa
 2017 GP/GS..... 0/0
 2018 GP/GS..... 0/0
 NWSL Career GP/GS 0/0
 Dash GP/GS..... 0/0
 Twitter @KgatJnr11



Acquired as a discovery signing on Feb. 17

- Named the Player of the tournament at the 2018 Cyprus Cup
- Nominated for the CAF Women's Player of the Year award in 2017
- Named the Player of the Tournament at the 2017 COSAFA Cup
- Represented South Africa in the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio De Janeiro

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF
2018	HOU	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NWSL TOTALS		-									

CAREER HIGHS

Goals 0
 Assists 0
 Shots on Goal 0
 Shots 0
 Fouls Committed 0
 Fouls Suffered 0

THE LAST TIME

Last start None with Dash
 Last appearance None with Dash
 Last goal None with Dash
 Last assist None with Dash

12 VERONICA LATSKO FW

Height5-8
 Age22
 DOB12/12/95
 Nationality USA
 Hometown Venetia, PA.
 2017 GP/GS..... 0/0
 2018 GP/GS..... 1/1
 NWSL Career GP/GS 1/1
 Dash GP/GS..... 1/1
 Twitter @V_Latsko12



Selected with the No. 38 overall selection in the 2018 NWSL College Draft

- Made her Dash debut in a 1-1 draw vs. Chicago on 3/25
- Finished with 26 goals and 14 assists for a total of 66 career points at the University of Virginia
- Named to the All-ACC First Team and All-ACC Tournament Team during her senior year in 2017.
- Led the Cavaliers to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament in 2017
- Latsko was a 2014 NCAA National Championship finalist and an ACC Championship finalist in 2014 and 2015.

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF
2018	HOU	1	1	90	-	-	1	1	1	1	-
NWSL TOTALS		1	1	90	0	0	1	1	1	1	0

CAREER HIGHS

Goals 0
 Assists 0
 Shots on Goal 0
 Shots 0
 Fouls Committed 0
 Fouls Suffered 0

THE LAST TIME

Last start March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
 Last appearance March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
 Last goal None with Dash
 Last assist None with Dash



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GAME 2 vs. UTAH ROYALS FC



NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE

13 SAVANNAH JORDAN FW

Height5-6
 Age23
 DOB1/24/95
 Nationality USA
 Hometown.... Fayetteville, GA.
 2017 GP/GS..... 2/0
 2018 GP/GS..... 1/1
 NWSL Career GP/GS 3/1
 Dash GP/GS..... 1/1
 Twitter @SAVANNAHJ_



Acquired from Portland Thorns FC in a trade on Jan. 12

- Made her debut with Portland Thorns against Washington on Sept. 2, 2017
- Appeared in three matches for US Women's National U-20 Team at the 2014 FIFA Women's U-20 World Cup
- Scored five goals in five matches during CONCACAF qualifying tournament for 2014 FIFA Women's U-20 World Cup
- Concluded her collegiate career with 81 goals and 27 assists in 94 appearances (93 starts) ranking second in Gators program history in goals and points (189) behind Abby Wambach

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF
2017	PTFC	2	0	9	0	0	2	2	0	0	0
2018	HOU	1	1	72	-	1	3	3	-	-	-
NWSL TOTALS		3	1	81	0	1	5	5	0	0	0

CAREER HIGHS

Goals 0
 Assists 0
 Shots on Goal 2; 2017 NWSL season
 Shots 2; 2017 NWSL season
 Fouls Committed 0
 Fouls Suffered 0

THE LAST TIME

Last start March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
 Last appearance March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
 Last goal None with Dash
 Last assist March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI

14 NICHELLE PRINCE FW

Height 5-4
 Age 22
 DOB..... 2/19/95
 Nationality Canada
 Hometown..... Ajax, Ontario
 2017 GP/GS 22/17
 2018 GP/GS..... 1/1
 NWSL Career GP/GS 23/18
 Dash GP/GS 23/18
 Twitter@NICHELLEPRINCE7



Selected with the No. 28 overall pick in the 2017 NWSL College Draft.

- Scored three goals during her rookie season in 2017
- Made her Dash debut at Seattle in 5-1 loss on 4/22/17
- Won a bronze medal at the 2016 Rio Olympic Games
- Won the 2016 Algarve Cup with the Canadian National Team, its first Algarve Cup victory
- Scored six goals and tallied four assists in 21 appearances for the Canadian Women's National Team
- Scored 27 goals and tallied 20 assists in 72 games for the Buckeyes

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF
2017	HOU	23	18	1540	3	1	27	17	16	10	10
2018	HOU	1	1	45	-	-	2	2	1	-	1
NWSL TOTALS		24	19	1585	3	1	29	19	17	10	11

CAREER HIGHS

Goals 1; July 22, 2017, HOU vs. BOS
 Assists 1; August 16, 2017, HOU at BOS
 Shots on Goal 0
 Shots 0
 Fouls Committed 0
 Fouls Suffered 0

THE LAST TIME

Last start Sept. 27, 2017, HOU vs. NCC
 Last appearance March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
 Last goal July 22, 2017, HOU vs. BOS
 Last assist August 16, 2017, HOU at BOS



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GAME 2 vs. UTAH ROYALS FC



NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE

16 SAMMY JO PRUDHOMME GK

Height5-10
 Age24
 DOB 10/25/93
 Nationality USA
 Hometown..... Aliso Viejo, CA
 2017 GP/GS..... 0/0
 2018 GP/GS..... 0/0
 NWSL Career GP/GS 0/0
 Dash GP/GS..... 0/0
 Twitter @sjprudhomme18



Signed on Feb. 12 from Kolbotn in the Norwegian Toppserien. Originally a Dash non-roster invitee in 2015 that took part in the Dash tryouts. Appeared as an amateur player in four games last season.

- Started and played 90 minutes on 9/25 vs. SEA
- Made her season debut on 4/23 at Orlando
- Scored three goals in the Norwegian Toppserien in 11 appearances (10 starts) last season
- Appeared in four games (two starts) for the Dash last season

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	MP	SOG	SV	SO	GA	GAA	WL	T	
2016	BOS	5	5	450	0	0	3	1	0	1	1	3
2017	HOU	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NWSL TOTALS		5	5	450	0	0	3	1	0	1	1	3

CAREER HIGHS

Saves

THE LAST TIME

Last start None with Dash
 Last appearance None with Dash
 Last clean sheet None with Dash

17 KYAH SIMON MF

Height5-5
 Age26
 DOB 26/6/91
 Nationality AUS
 Hometown.... Blacktown, AUS
 2017 GP/GS..... 0/0
 2016 GP/GS..... 0/0
 NWSL Career GP/GS 0/0
 Dash GP/GS..... 0/0
 Twitter @KyahSimon



Selected with the sixth pick in the NWSL Disbursal Draft in January

- Joined the Australian W-League at age 16 in 2008
- Was the top scorer in the 2010–11 W-League with 11 goals in 12 games
- Appeared at the 2011 FIFA Women's World Cup, where she scored both of Australia's goals in a 2–1 win over Norway to ensure qualification for the quarter finals
- Became the first Indigenous Australian player to score a goal in a FIFA World Cup
- Played for Sydney FC, Central Coast Mariners, and Western Sydney Wanderers in the Australian W-League and for the Boston Breakers

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF
2016	BOS	17	14	1293	1	1	29	7	19	12	9
2017	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2018	HOU	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NWSL TOTALS		17	14	1293	1	1	29	7	19	12	9

CAREER HIGHS

Goals 1; 2016 NWSL season
 Assists 1; 2016 NWSL season
 Shots on Goal 7; 2016 NWSL season
 Shots 29; 2016 NWSL season
 Fouls Committed 19; 2016 NWSL season
 Fouls Suffered 12; 2016 NWSL season

THE LAST TIME

Last start None with Dash
 Last appearance None with Dash
 Last goal None with Dash
 Last assist None with Dash



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GAME 2 vs. UTAH ROYALS FC



NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE

18 KIMBERLY KEEVER FW

Height5-5
Age.....22
DOB.....9/22/1995
Nationality USA
Hometown Manhattan Beach, CA.
2017 GP/GS 0/0
2018 GP/GS 1/1
NWSL Career GP/GS 1/1
Dash GP/GS 1/1
Twitter N/A



Selected with the No. 12 overall pick in the 2018 NWSL College Draft.

- Scored in her Dash debut vs. Chicago on 3/25
- Finished career at Washington as one of just nine Huskies to score at least 20 goals in her career
- Honored by the Pac-12 every year of her career, earning All-Freshman Team in 2014 and All-Conference the following three years
- Finished her career with 22 goals and 4 assists over 78 career games

YEAR TEAM	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF
2018 HOU	1	1	45	1	-	1	1	2	-	-
NWSL TOTALS	1	1	45	1	0	1	1	2	0	0

CAREER HIGHS

Goals 0
Assists 0
Shots on Goal 0
Shots 0
Fouls Committed 0
Fouls Suffered 0

THE LAST TIME

Last start March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
Last appearance March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
Last goal March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
Last assist None with Dash

19 KRISTIE MEWIS MF

Height 5-6
Age..... 26
DOB..... 2/25/1991
Nationality USA
Hometown..... Hanson, MA
2017 GP/GS..... 20/18
2018 GP/GS 1/1
NWSL Career GP/GS 92/85
Dash GP/GS 6/6
Twitter @KRISTIEMEWEIE



Acquired via a trade with Chicago on 8/30/17

- Made her Dash debut in 1-0 loss vs. SEA on 9/3
- Has 15 caps with the USWNT
- Scored a goal in her debut with CHI on 8/26
- Scored 10 goals and tallied five assists in three seasons at Boston
- Began her professional career in 2013 after FC Kansas City selected her with the third overall selection in the NWSL College Draft

YEAR TEAM	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF
2013 FCKC	20	20	1784	1	0	34	13	12	19	1
2014 BOS	17	15	1191	3	2	20	9	9	10	1
2015 BOS	20	20	1785	6	2	81	32	15	23	5
2016 BOS	14	13	1122	1	1	21	7	13	23	2
2017 WAS	14	10	899	2	1	20	14	7	13	1
2017 CHI	1	1	81	1	0	2	1	3	2	0
2017 HOU	5	5	444	0	2	9	0	2	10	0
2018 HOU	1	1	90	-	-	-	-	1	3	-
NWSL TOTALS	92	85	7396	14	8	187	76	62	103	10

CAREER HIGHS

Goals 6; 2015 NWSL season
Assists 3; 207 NWSL season
Shots on Goal 32; 2015 NWSL season
Shots 81; 2015 NWSL season
Fouls Committed 15; 2015 NWSL season
Fouls Suffered 23; 2015 and 2016 NWSL season

THE LAST TIME

Last start March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
Last appearance March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
Last goal None with Dash
Last assist None with Dash



2018 SEASON GAME NOTES

GAME 2 vs. UTAH ROYALS FC



NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE

20 LINDSAY AGNEW DF

Height5-8
 Age22
 DOB3/31/95
 Nationality Canada
 Hometown...Kingston, Canada
 2017 GP/GS..... 8/2
 2018 GP/GS..... 0/0
 NWSL Career GP/GS 8/2
 Dash GP/GS..... 0/0
 Twitter @lindsay_agnew



Acquired via a trade with the Spirit on Jan. 17

- Played in Canadian National Team camp in January 2017
- Won silver medal at 2012 CONCACAF Women's U-17 Championship in Guatemala
- Represented Canada at FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup Azerbaijan in 2012
- Named Academic All-Big Ten and OSU Scholar-Athlete in 2014 and 2015 at Ohio State
- Tied for second in the Big Ten with seven assists to go along with four goals in 2015
- Named to Big Ten All-Tournament Team in 2015
- Led team with 10 goals and eight assists in 2016
- Concluded her collegiate career with 19 assists in her career fourth in program history and tied for 13th with 55 career points and 15th with 17 career goals in 2016

YEARTEAM	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF
2017 WAS	8	2	291	0	1	5	2	1	3	3
2018 HOU	1	-	18	-	-	-	-	3	-	-
NWSL TOTALS	9	2	309	0	1	5	2	4	3	3

CAREER HIGHS

Goals 0
 Assists 1; 2017 NWSL season
 Shots on Goal 2; 2017 NWSL season
 Shots 5; 2017 NWSL season
 Fouls Committed 1; 2017 NWSL season
 Fouls Suffered 3; 2017 NWSL season

THE LAST TIME

Last start None with Dash
 Last appearance March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
 Last goal None with Dash
 Last assist None with Dash

21 ALLI MURPHY MF

Height5-2
 Age23
 DOB..... 5/13/1994
 Nationality USA
 HometownPlano, Texas
 2017 GP/GS 0/0
 2018 GP/GS 0/0
 NWSL Career GP/GS 0/0
 Dash GP/GS 0/0
 Twitter@allismurph



Signed as a discovery player on 3/24

- Earned a preseason camp invitation after the Dash try-outs in Feb.
- Drafted with the No. 20 overall pick in the 2016 NWSL College Draft by the Washington Spirit
- Played abroad in 2017 with Gustafs Golf in Sweden

YEARTEAM	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF
2018 HOU	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NWSL TOTALS	-									

CAREER HIGHS

Goals 0
 Assists 0
 Shots on Goal 0
 Shots 0
 Fouls Committed 0
 Fouls Suffered 0

THE LAST TIME

Last start None with Dash
 Last appearance None with Dash
 Last goal None with Dash
 Last assist None with Dash



2018 SEASON GAME NOTES

GAME 2 vs. UTAH ROYALS FC



NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE

22 AMBER BROOKS DF

Height 5-6
 Age 25
 DOB 1/23/91
 Nationality USA
 Hometown New Hope, PA
 2017 GP/GS 24/24
 2018 GP/GS 0/0
 NWSL Career GP/GS 75/58
 Dash GP/GS 43/35
 Twitter @ABROOKS22



Acquired via trade with Seattle Reign FC on October 26, 2015.

- Scored her first goal for the club in the 3-0 victory over Portland last July
- Made her Dash debut on 4/16 vs. Red Stars in 2016
- Made 12 appearances for Seattle (4 starts) in 2015
- Started 9 matches for Bayern Munich in the Frauen Bundesliga, scoring five goals during the 2013-2014 season
- Made senior USWNT debut in 4-1 win over Brazil on Nov. 10, 2013
- Lead the U.S. Under 23 Women's National Team to the championship of the Four Nations Tournament in 2012

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF
2014	PTFC	20	19	1598	1	2	21	7	25	9	1
2015	PTFC	12	4	421	1	0	7	2	9	2	1
2016	HOU	19	11	1084	1	0	10	2	20	7	1
2017	HOU	24	24	2160	1	2	26	1	28	5	1
2018	HOU	1	1	90	-	-	1	1	2	-	-
NWSL TOTALS		76	59	5353	4	4	65	13	84	23	4

CAREER HIGHS

Goals 1; 2014 and 2015 NWSL seasons
Assists 2; 2015 NWSL season
Shots on Goal 7; 2014 NWSL season
Shots 21; 2014 NWSL season
Fouls Committed 25; 2014 NWSL season
Fouls Suffered 9; 2014 NWSL season

THE LAST TIME

Last start March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
Last appearance March 25, 2018, HOU vs. CHI
Last goal Sept. 23, 2017, HOU vs. CHI
Last assist July 2, 2017, HOU at FCKC

30 BIANCA HENNINGER GK

Height 5-6
 Age 26
 DOB 10/22/90
 Nationality Mexico
 Hometown Los Gatos, CA
 2018 GP/GS 0/0
 NWSL Career GP/GS 19/19
 Dash GP/GS 17/17
 Twitter @BEEYONCS



Henninger is one of the two remaining original Dash players.

- Recorded her first shutout of the season in 3-0 victory over Portland on 7/16
- Made her season debut in 1-0 loss at SBFC on 7/9
- Joined the Mexican National Team for the 2016 CONCACAF Women's Olympic Qualifying Tournament
- Recorded back-to-back shutouts last season on 6/6 and 6/20 vs. Portland Thorns FC and Western New York Flash; first consecutive shutouts in club history
- Recorded four shutouts in nine starts last season

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	MP	SOG	SV	SO	GA	GAA	W	L	T
2014	HOU	5	5	405	0	34	0	14	1.8	1	4	0
2015	HOU	7	7	630	0	29	4	8	1.14	2	2	3
2016	HOU	5	5	450	22	14	1	7	1.40	1	1	3
2017	HOU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NWSL TOTALS		17	17	1395	1	68	5	23	1.15	4	7	6

CAREER HIGHS

Saves 8, last: May, 31, 2014 HOU at WNY

THE LAST TIME

Last start Aug. 18, 2016, HOU vs WAS
Last shutout July 16, 2016, HOU vs. POR