

# FC CINCINNATI

## USL REGULAR SEASON | MATCH #23

**FC Cincinnati (13-3-6, 45 pts.) vs. Penn FC (6-7-8, 26 pts.)**

Sunday, August 12, 2018 | 6:00 p.m.

Nippert Stadium | Cincinnati, Ohio



**TV:** CW Cincinnati | **Stream:** ESPN+ | **Radio:** ESPN 1530 AM

**Talent:** Tom Gelehrter (play-by-play), Kevin McCloskey (analyst), Lindsay Patterson (sideline)

## INJURY UPDATES

**QUESTIONABLE:** Fatai Alashe (groin)

**OUT:** Richie Ryan (lower leg)

## SERIES HISTORY

FC Cincinnati leads the all-time series, 2-0-2 ... FCC is 2-0-0 at home at Nippert Stadium and 0-0-2 on the road ... the teams have never met outside of USL regular-season play

Date	Result	Score	H/A	Location
05/07/2016	T	1-1	A	FNB Field
05/28/2016	W	2-0	H	Nippert Stadium
07/22/2017	W	3-0	H	Nippert Stadium
09/12/2017	T	1-1	A	FNB Field

## TEAM COMPARISONS

CINCINNATI		PENN
22	Games Played	21
13-3-6	Overall	6-7-8
7-2-3	Home	4-2-2
6-1-3	Away	2-5-6
45	Points	26
First/USL East	Standings	13th/USL East
42	Goals Scored	25
23	Goals Allowed	17
+19	Goal Differential	-2
1.91	Goals Per Game	1.19
1.05	Goals Allowed Per Game	1.29
29	Assists	15
9	Shutouts	5
290	Total Shots	257
107	Shots on Target	90
52.0	Average Possession	49.0
77.3	Passing Success Rate	73.4
292	Fouls	283
227	Fouls Drawn	292
45	Yellow Cards	42
0	Red Cards	0

## 2018 SCHEDULE

USL: 13-3-6

OVERALL: 15-5-6

USL HOME: 7-2-3

USL AWAY: 6-1-3

NON-USL: 2-2-0

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT	TIME
<b>MARCH</b>			
Sat. 17	at Charleston Battery	W	1-0
Sat. 31	at Indy Eleven	W	1-0
<b>APRIL</b>			
Sat. 7	LOUISVILLE CITY FC	L	0-1
Sat. 15	at Bethlehem Steel FC	T	1-1
Sat. 21	PITTSBURGH RIVERHOUNDS SC	T	2-2
Sat. 28	at Ottawa Fury FC	W	3-0
<b>MAY</b>			
Wed. 2	at Indy Eleven	W	3-2
Sat. 5	ATLANTA UNITED 2	W	4-2
Sat. 12	at Charlotte Independence	L	1-4
Wed. 16	USOC Second Round: vs. Detroit City FC	W (aet)	4-1
Sat. 19	NORTH CAROLINA FC	W	4-1
Wed. 23	USOC Third Round: at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC	W	3-1
Sat. 26	LOUISVILLE CITY FC	L	0-2
<b>JUNE</b>			
Sat. 2	at New York Red Bulls II	W	2-1
Wed. 6	USOC Fourth Round: vs. Minnesota United FC	T (L in PKs, 3-1)	0-0
Sat. 9	at North Carolina FC	W	2-0
Wed. 13	BETHLEHEM STEEL FC	T	2-2
Sat. 16	RICHMOND KICKERS	W	4-0
Wed. 27	at Toronto FC II	T	3-3
Sat. 30	OTTAWA FURY FC	W	2-0
<b>JULY</b>			
Sat. 7	at Nashville SC	T	0-0
Sat. 14	TAMPA BAY ROWDIES	W	2-0
Wed. 18	CHARLOTTE INDEPENDENCE	W	2-0
Sat. 21	NEW YORK RED BULLS II	W	2-1
Sat. 28	INTERNATIONAL FRIENDLY: RCD ESPANYOL	L	2-3
<b>AUGUST</b>			
Sat. 4	NASHVILLE SC	T	1-1
Sun. 12	PENN FC		6 p.m.
Sat. 18	CHARLESTON BATTERY		7:30 p.m.
Wed. 22	at Atlanta United 2		7 p.m.
Sat. 25	at Tampa Bay Rowdies		7:30 p.m.
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>			
Sat. 1	PITTSBURGH RIVERHOUNDS SC		7:30 p.m.
Sat. 8	at Louisville City FC		7:30 p.m.
Sun. 16	TORONTO FC II		4:30 p.m.
Sat. 22	at Penn FC		7 p.m.
Wed. 26	at Richmond Kickers		7 p.m.
Sat. 29	INDY ELEVEN		7:30 p.m.
<b>OCTOBER</b>			
Sat. 6	at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC		7 p.m.
Sat. 13	at Nashville SC		2 p.m.

Home games in CAPS

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## 2018 SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Date	Opponent	Time/Result	Score	Record	Standings	Att.	FCC Goal Scorers
Sat., March 17	at Charleston Battery	W	1-0	1-0-0	T-1	4,598	Smith (ua) 18'
Sat., March 31	at Indy Eleven	W	1-0	2-0-0	T-2	17,535	Welshman (Ledesma) 26'
Sat., April 7	Louisville City FC	L	0-1	2-1-0	T-6	25,667	---
Sun., April 15	at Bethlehem Steel FC	T	1-1	2-1-1	T-6	1,418	Albadawi (Welshman) 71'
Sat., April 21	Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC	T	2-2	2-1-2	6	24,505	König (Bone) 59', Walker (ua) 78'
Sat., April 28	at Ottawa Fury FC	W	3-0	3-1-2	5	2,785	Walker (ua) 68', Bone (Ledesma) 69', Ledesma (ua) 77'
Wed., May 2	at Indy Eleven	W	3-2	4-1-2	2	8,079	Walker (penalty) 7', McLaughlin (Bone) 41', Bone (Ledesma) 54'
Sat., May 5	Atlanta United 2	W	4-2	5-1-2	1	22,532	König (Ledesma, Walker) 26', Ledesma (Smith) 28', Bone (ua) 39', Ledesma (ua) 46'
Sat., May 12	at Charlotte Independence	L	1-4	5-2-2	T-1	2,314	König (Ledesma) 51'
Wed., May 16	<sup>^</sup> 2nd Rd: Detroit City FC (NPSL)	W (aet)	4-1			2,250	Welshman (Lasso, Haber) 35', Bone (Welshman) 94', Welshman (ua) 99', Welshman (McLaughlin) 110'
Sat., May 19	North Carolina FC	W	4-1	6-2-2	1	22,884	Albadawi (Ledesma) 11', Albadawi (Ledesma) 45', Ledesma (pen) 62', König (Ledesma) 69'
Wed., May 23	<sup>^</sup> 3rd Rd: Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC	W	3-1			1,204	McLaughlin (Welshman) 39', Laing (ua) 61', Haber (ua) 62'
Sat., May 26	Louisville City FC	L	0-2	6-3-2	2	26,495	---
Sat., June 2	at New York Red Bulls II	W	2-1	7-3-2	1	613	Ledesma (Smith) 65', König (ua) 77'
Wed., June 6	<sup>^</sup> 4th Rd: Minnesota United FC	T	0-0			15,486	(Minnesota advances in PKs, 3-1)
Sat., June 9	at North Carolina FC	W	2-0	8-3-2	1	4,039	König (ua) 37', McLaughlin (ua) 87'
Wed., June 13	Bethlehem Steel FC	T	2-2	8-3-3	1	22,407	Albadawi (ua) 66', Cicerone (Smith) 68'
Sat., June 16	Richmond Kickers	W	4-0	9-3-3	1	28,026	Ledesma (König) 8', Albadawi (Lahoud) 36', König (Hoyte) 60', Ledesma (Hoyte) 67'
Wed., June 27	at Toronto FC II	T	3-3	9-3-4	1	288	Albadawi (Ledesma) 7', Welshman (Albadawi) 38', Ledesma (Welshman) 40'
Sat., June 30	Ottawa Fury FC	W	2-0	10-3-4	1	27,107	König (Smith) 16', Albadawi (Bone) 92+'
Sat., July 7	at Nashville FC	T	0-0	10-3-5	1	18,228	---
Sat., July 14	Tampa Bay Rowdies	W	2-0	11-3-5	1	25,416	Ledesma (Bone) 54', König (Welshman) 84'
Wed., July 18	Charlotte Independence	W	2-0	12-3-5	1	25,251	Keinan (ua) 7', Lasso (Walker) 20'
Sat., July 21	New York Red Bulls II	W	2-1	13-3-5	1	23,602	Lasso (Ledesma) 17', Barrett (Ledesma) 35'
Sat., July 28	FRIENDLY: RCD Espanyol	L	2-3			16,135	Cicerone (Welshman) 5', Ledesma (McLaughlin) 76'
Sat., Aug. 4	Nashville SC	T	1-1	13-3-6	1	27,426	König (Albadawi) 1'
Sun., Aug. 12	Penn FC	6 p.m.					
Sat., Aug. 18	Charleston Battery	7:30 p.m.					
Wed., Aug. 22	at Atlanta United 2	7 p.m.					
Sat., Aug. 25	at Tampa Bay Rowdies	7:30 p.m.					
Sat., Sept. 1	Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC	7:30 p.m.					
Sat., Sept. 8	at Louisville City FC	7:30 p.m.					
Sun., Sept. 16	Toronto FC II	4:30 p.m.					
Sat., Sept. 22	at Penn FC	7 p.m.					
Wed., Sept. 26	at Richmond Kickers	7 p.m.					
Sat., Sept. 29	Indy Eleven	7:30 p.m.					
Sat., Oct. 6	at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC	7 p.m.					
Sat., Oct. 13	at Nashville SC	2 p.m.					

<sup>^</sup> - Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup



## 2018 STATISTICS - USL REGULAR SEASON

No.	PLAYER	GP	GS	Minutes	G	A	Sh	SOG	FW	FC	YC	RC	CI	B	INT
1	Evan Newton	17	17	1,530	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	17	0	0
2	Matt Bahner	7	6	514	0	0	0	0	6	8	0	0	10	3	13
3	Forrest Lasso	18	17	1,584	2	0	14	3	12	22	6	0	122	24	27
4	Tyler Gibson	1	0	23	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	1
5	Nazmi Albadawi	16	15	1,307	7	2	25	14	13	18	0	0	7	0	11
6	Kenney Walker	18	15	1,255	3	1	10	5	11	23	2	0	24	9	30
7	Russell Cicerone	6	3	276	1	0	9	7	4	1	0	0	0	0	0
8	Will Seymore	5	1	158	0	0	2	1	3	3	0	0	4	1	2
9	Fanendo Adi	1	0	17	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
10	Emery Welshman	20	9	846	2	3	23	14	16	22	4	0	2	2	1
11	Danni König	20	13	1,208	10	1	25	15	17	26	5*	0	7	2	4
12	Pa Konate	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	Michael Lahoud	14	11	986	0	2	2	0	3	8	0	0	11	5	32
14	Lance Laing	6	4	373	0	0	3	2	5	5	2	0	5	0	2
16	Richie Ryan	14	14	1,226	0	0	1	0	19	16	4*	0	17	5	46
17	Mark Village	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
18	Spencer Richey	5	5	450	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0
19	Corben Bone	22	20	1,783	3	4	23	10	12	4	0	0	5	0	30
20	Jimmy McLaughlin	19	6	683	2	0	9	3	14	8	0	0	3	1	6
21	Dekel Keinan	18	18	1,566	1	0	7	1	9	38	7	0	104	22	31
23	Blake Smith	19	19	1,644	1	4	9	4	17	16	4	0	33	2	41
24	Tomi Ameobi	3	0	11	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1
27	Fatai Alashe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
29	Paddy Barrett	8	8	720	1	0	4	3	12	18	3	0	32	4	18
32	Justin Hoyte	18	18	1,620	0	2	3	1	6	4	1	0	35	7	13
45	Emmanuel Ledesma	21	20	1,708	9	10	47	21	41	47	7	0	6	1	22
51	Sem de Wit	1	1	90	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	1
92	Daniel Haber ^	7	2	201	0	0	3	2	2	1	0	0	3	0	2

No.	Player	GA	Shots	Svs.	Sv. %	GAA	Record	SHO	Ca	Pu	Dr	PKG	PKA	CI
1	Evan Newton	14	59	45	.763	0.82	9-2-6	8	6	7	0	0*	2	17
18	Spencer Richey	9	20	11	.550	1.80	4-1-0	1	1	1	0	0	1	3
17	Mark Village	0	0	0	0	0.00	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

**FIELD PLAYERS:** GP - Games Played; GS - Games Started; G - Goals; A - Assists; Sh - Shots; SOG - Shots on Target; FW - Fouls Earned; FC - Fouls Conceded; YC - Yellow Cards; RC - Red Cards; CI - Clearances; B - Blocks; INT - Interceptions; \* one of the PK attempts was off target

\* Benefited from USL Good Behavior Clause. Working number of yellow cards may be lower than what is listed.

^ No longer with the club



## GELEHRTER'S GREAT FINDS

Each week, Tommy Gelehrter - the voice of the Orange and Blue - researches notes for his broadcast. Going forward, some of his gems will be featured in the weekly game notes.

### ANNIVERSARY CHECK-IN ON THE OGs:

With Sunday representing the three year anniversary of FC Cincinnati, makes sense to check-in on the original three players that remain with the club and where their career numbers in Orange & Blue currently stand

- Corben Bone in USL play: 82 appearances, 77 starts, 6674 minutes, 5 goals & 12 assists. 87 appearances including USOC play
- Jimmy McLaughlin in USL play: 82 appearances, 62 starts, 5558 minutes, 11 goals. 89 appearances including USOC play
- Kenney Walker in USL play: 72 appearances, 68 starts, 5747 minutes, 6 goals, 9 assists. 78 appearances including USOC play

### LEDESMA DROUGHT

While Emmanuel Ledesma has assisted on two goals in the past three games, he hasn't scored a goal in a league match since July 14th. This is the first time Manu has gone three straight games without a goal since the start of the season, when he didn't get his first goal until the sixth game of the campaign. (April 28th at Ottawa)

### FC CINCINNATI TO CELEBRATE THIRD ANNIVERSARY OF CLUB'S FOUNDING

- This Sunday will mark the third anniversary of the club's creation on August 12, 2015
- In three seasons, FC Cincinnati has amassed a 41-19-24 record in USL regular season play
- FCC has qualified for the USL Cup Playoffs in each of its first two USL seasons and is currently on pace to secure the Eastern Conference's top seed in the 2018 USL Playoffs
- In 2017, the Orange and Blue made a run to the U.S. Open Cup semifinals, becoming the first non-MLS team to reach the semifinals since the Richmond Kickers did so in 2011

### BLUE AND ORANGE TO BEGIN 2019 RENEWAL PROCESS ON SUNDAY

- Starting this Sunday, FC Cincinnati season ticket members will be able to secure their seats for the team's fourth season in which it will debut in Major League Soccer
- This year's condensed renewal timeline will run from Aug. 12 through Sept. 5
- In the first week of renewals, all season ticket members who renew in full, start a 10-month payment plan or who initiate their renewals by opting in to the seat improvement process will receive a special invitation to the club's special "Early Birth" event later this fall
- Fans will be able to renew their seats in person at home matches on Aug. 12 and Aug. 18, as well as during normal business hours (8 a.m. through 5 p.m.), Monday through Friday

### FC CINCINNATI SEEKS TIE OF LONGEST UNBEATEN RUN IN CLUB HISTORY

- FCC enters Sunday's match riding an 11-game unbeaten run during which time FCC is 7-0-4
- During the run, FCC is 5-0-2 at home and 2-0-2 on the road
- This is the second-longest undefeated run in club history ... the club's longest undefeated run was 12 games in the first half of the 2016 season (7-0-5)
- In addition, the Orange and Blue will look to remain undefeated against Penn FC after claiming points in each of the four all-time meetings between the two sides

### KÖNIG SCORES FASTEST GOAL IN FC CINCINNATI HISTORY

- Danni König set the record for fastest goal in club history when he scored 28 seconds into the match against Nashville on August 4
- König's first-minute goal is the fourth goal to be scored within the first five minutes of play for the Orange and Blue across all competitions
- 3rd minute - Djiby Fall against Richmond Kickers (July 9, 2017)

- 4th minute - Djiby Fall against Charleston Battery (June 17, 2017)
- 5th minute - Austin Berry against New York Red Bulls II (September 16, 2017)

### GIBSON MAKES USL DEBUT

- After being sidelined for nearly six months due to a preseason injury which required surgery, Tyler Gibson made his USL debut for FC Cincinnati on August 4 against Nashville SC
- Gibson entered the match in place of Kenney Walker in the 67th minute ... in 23 minutes of action, Gibson was a perfect 3-of-3 in duels and recorded 24 touches
- Gibson made his FC Cincinnati debut across all competitions on July 28 in the club's international friendly against RCD Espanyol
- Six weeks ago, Gibson fully rejoined training sessions at Nippert Stadium
- In addition, he's been working with fitness coach Austin Berry after the session for added conditioning work
- On Feb. 4 in Florida, he broke his left fibula, tore the deltoid ligament and the ligament between his fibula and tibia

### ADI SEES FIRST MINUTES AS FC CINCINCY PLAYER

- Following a lengthy ovation from FC Cincinnati supporters, striker Fanendo Adi made his FC Cincy debut against Nashville on August 4 in the 73rd minute of the match
- In 17 minutes of match action, Adi recorded a headed attempt on frame, which Nashville goalkeeper Matt Pickens put over the bar to concede a corner kick

### THREE ADDITIONS BOLSTER FC CINCINNATI

- In the summer international transfer window, FC Cincinnati fine-tuned its roster for the stretch run of the 2018 season
- Forward Fanendo Adi, midfielder Fatai Alashe, and defender Pa Konate have been added to the roster
- Adi - who joins FC Cincinnati from Major League Soccer's Portland Timbers - will play for the Orange and Blue for the remainder of the 2018 USL season, before becoming FCC's first ever Designated Player in MLS in 2019
- Alashe - who comes in to FC Cincy from Major League Soccer's San Jose Earthquakes - will also join FC Cincinnati for the remainder of the 2018 USL season and will be part of the club's inaugural MLS roster in 2019
- Konate - who joins the Orange and Blue from Serie A's S.P.A.L. - is on loan to FC Cincinnati for the remainder of the 2018 USL season, with an option to purchase for the 2019 MLS season
- With the transactions, FC Cincinnati's roster currently stands at 27 active players with three USL spots open to sign or add additional players

### PA-MODOU KAH JOINS FCC TECHNICAL STAFF

- FC Cincinnati added former Norway international and MLS center back Pa-Modou Kah to its technical staff as a member of the scouting staff on August 8
- Kah joins FC Cincinnati from Vancouver Whitecaps FC, where he was an assistant coach with the club's MLS team and was the head coach of its Under-18 squad
- The center back played in four MLS seasons with Portland (2013-14) and Vancouver (2015-16), totaling 70 appearances, including 68 starts
- Kah played for Whitecaps FC 2 (2016) where he served as a player-coach under current FCC head coach Alan Koch

### CLEANING UP IN THEIR OWN END

- FC Cincinnati comes into the weekend against Penn FC allowing just two goals in the last six matches ... FCC allowed just one goal throughout July
- With nine clean sheets through 22 games, FC Cincinnati has already eclipsed its 2017 mark of seven shutouts and is now one back of the club's single-season record of 10, which it set in 2016
- FC Cincinnati will look to hold Penn FC scoreless through three all-time matches played between the two sides at Nippert Stadium.



## THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME

- FC Cincinnati claimed the club's fifth consecutive win at Nippert Stadium when it defeated New York Red Bulls II (July 21)
- The Orange and Blue's five-match home winning-streak – which was snapped against Nashville on August 4 – is the longest in club history: 5 wins - June 16-July 21, 2018
- 3 wins - June 24-July 27, 2017, June 11-July 2, 2016
- 2 wins - four times

## FC CINCY SETS SECOND-LONGEST SHUTOUT STREAK IN CLUB HISTORY

- FC Cincinnati's shutout stretch of 399 minutes across all competitions was snapped against New York Red Bulls II (July 21)
- The streak is now the second-longest such streak in club history: 405 minutes (includes playoff match) - Sept. 5-Oct. 1, 2016
- 399 minutes – June 27-July 21, 2018
- 343 minutes – May 7-June 4, 2016

## DUO ON CARD WATCH

- A pair of FCC players enter Sunday's game on card watch: center back Dekel Keinan and midfielder Emmanuel Ledesma ... both players enter the Nashville game with seven cards apiece
- With their next yellow cards, they will each be forced to miss a game while sitting out a one-game yellow-card suspension
- Both players have already sat out one game ... Keinan missed the June 2 game at New York Red Bulls while serving his suspension after his fifth yellow card, while Ledesma sat out the June 13 game against Bethlehem Steel FC while serving his one-game suspension following his fifth caution on the season

## MID-SEASON LEAGUE HONORS FOR ORANGE AND BLUE

- The USL conducted fan polling for its midseason awards and a pair of FC Cincinnati talents were honored
- Emmanuel Ledesma was voted the league's midseason Most Valuable Player, earning 55 percent of the fan vote among five players ... Phoenix Rising FC's Solomon Asante finished second in voting with 21 percent
- Head coach Alan Koch was voted the midseason Coach of the Year ... Koch recorded 49 percent of the vote, besting Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC skipper Bob Lilley (19 percent)

## FCC PLAY THIRD EVER INTERNATIONAL FRIENDLY

- FC Cincinnati played La Liga's RCD Espanyol in an international friendly, presented by Cincinnati Bell, on Saturday, July 28
- Russell Cicerone scored the first ever goal by an FC Cincinnati player in an international friendly after finishing a feed from Emery Welshman
- Tyler Gibson and Mark Village made their FC Cincinnati debuts across all competitions ... the pair entered the game at the start of the second half and logged 27 minutes of playing time
- FCC celebrated its 2019 entry into MLS with a commemorative poster giveaway to fans in attendance ... the club also held a special halftime program with guest speakers and a video presentation
- Espanyol is a Barcelona-based club that was founded in 1900 and has won Copa del Rey – Spain's national cup championship – four times, most recently in 2006. The club has earned a pair of runner-up finishes in UEFA Europa League play, most recently in 2007. In 2017-18, one of Espanyol's signature wins came when the club defeated UEFA Champions League winners Real Madrid

## CENTER BACKS COMBINE FOR TWO GOALS...AGAIN

- For a second consecutive match, two FC Cincinnati center backs scored for the Orange and Blue against New York Red Bulls II (July 21)
- Forrest Lasso found the scoresheet via a header off an Emmanuel Ledesma corner kick in the 17th minute of action
- In the 38th minute, Paddy Barrett scored his first FC Cincinnati goal on a



## 2018 AWARDS & HONORS

### NAZMI ALBADAWI

USL Team of the Week	Week 10
USL Team of the Week (Bench)	Week 15
USL Goal of the Week	Week 10
USL Goal of the Week	Week 16

### CORBEN BONE

USL Team of the Week	Week 8
USL Team of the Week (Bench)	Week 16

### DEKEL KEINAN

USL Team of the Week	Week 1
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### FORREST LASSO

USL Team of the Week	Week 13
USL Team of the Week	Week 19

### EMMANUEL LEDESMA

USL Mid-Season Most Valuable Player (fan-voted)	
USL Player of the Month	June
USL Player of the Week	Week 10
USL Team of the Week	Week 7
USL Team of the Week	Week 8
USL Team of the Week	Week 10
USL Team of the Week (Bench)	Week 12
USL Team of the Week	Week 14
USL Goal of the Week	Week 14

### EVAN NEWTON

USL Team of the Week	Week 3
USL Save of the Week	Week 1
USL Save of the Week	Week 3
USL Save of the Week	Week 13

### KENNEY WALKER

USL Team of the Week	Week 6
USL Goal of the Month	April

### HEAD COACH ALAN KOCH

USL Midseason Coach of the Year (fan vote)

header following a long pass from Ledesma on a free kick from just outside the center circle

- Just three days earlier Dekel Keinan and Forrest Lasso scored the first two goals by FC Cincinnati center backs for the 2018 USL season

## HISTORIC TRIO OF GOAL SCORERS

- So far in 2018, Danni König, Emmanuel Ledesma and Nazmi Albadawi have combined for 26 goals of FC Cincinnati's 42 goals ... that is more than 11 USL clubs have scored this season
- Additionally, this is the first time in club history the Orange and Blue have three goal scorers with 7+ goals in a same single season
  - **2016:** Sean Okoli (16), Andrew Wiedeman (7), Jimmy McLaughlin (4)
  - **2017:** Djiby (12), Danni König (11), Jimmy McLaughlin (5)
  - **2018:** Danni König (10), Emmanuel Ledesma (9), Nazmi Albadawi (7)

## 2019 COMING SOON

- FC Cincinnati started accepting \$50 deposits on new 2019 season tickets on July 2 and the Season Ticket Members' renewal process will start on Aug. 12
- The holders of the club's current 18,000 season tickets do not need to put deposits down for 2019 season tickets and instead will follow the normal renewal process
- New fans who wish to secure season tickets in 2019 are encouraged to place





deposits as certain seating sections are already at capacity, while others are reaching capacity

- This season, FCC sold out of its season ticket inventory in mid June and the club expects to reach capacity for 2019 season tickets at some point

### GOAL-SCORING TEAR ...

- FC Cincinnati is tied for second in the USL in goals with 42 - six back of league leader New York (48 in 23 games) but has also been hot as the weather has heated up
- Since June 2, Cincinnati has posted multiple goals in 9-of-11 USL games, including every game in June ... since June 2, FCC has scored 22 goals in 11 games, a 2.00 goals per game average
- After notching three goals in its first four games overall, FCC has posted a multiple-goal game in 14-of-18 USL games since
- Included in that total are eight two-goal games, three three-goal games and three four-goal games in league play
- Cincinnati also totaled seven goals in three U.S. Open Cup games
- In USL play, FCC has been shut out just three times this season - both meetings by Louisville City FC (1-0 on April 7 at Nippert Stadium and 2-0 on May 26 at Nippert Stadium) - and at Nashville SC (0-0 on July 7 in Nashville at Nissan Stadium)

### KEEPING IT CLEAN THIS SUMMER

- Since June 2, the FCC goalkeepers have allowed just eight goals in 11 USL games and have posted six shutouts in league play - and seven overall
- Evan Newton shut out North Carolina FC on June 9 on the road, Richmond Kickers on June 16 at Nippert Stadium, Ottawa Fury FC at Nippert Stadium on June 30, at Nashville SC on July 7 at Nissan Stadium, Tampa Bay Rowdies on July 14 at Nippert Stadium and Charlotte Independence on July 18 at Nippert Stadium
- Spencer Richey stood tall in a 0-0 draw against MLS' Minnesota Whitecaps FC in the fourth round of the U.S. Open Cup on June 6, but ultimately fell in penalty kicks

### GOAL-DEN DUO

- The duo of Danni König and Emmanuel Ledesma have combined for 19 goals this season, the highest total between teammates in the USL this season
- Charlotte's Jorge Herrera (10) and Cordell Cato (8) and Charleston's Ataula Guerra (12) and Gordon Wild (6) have combined for 18 goals on the year

### LEDESMA'S LEADING THE WAY

- Emmanuel Ledesma is only one of two players in the USL this season who is ranked in the top 15 in both goals and assists ... Ledesma is joined by Orange County SC's Thomas Enevoldsen who is tied for first in goals (12) and tied for 13th in assists (5)
- Ledesma comes into the weekend tied for 11th in goals (9) and first in the USL in assists (10)

### NAZ HAS BEEN NASTY OF LATE

- Since returning to USL play on May 19 from a three-game absence with rib injury, Nazmi Albadawi has been a terror for opponents
- Six of his seven goals on the season have come in the last 13 league games (which includes 12 starts) and he has netted goals in four of his last eight starts
- After tallying his first goal of the season at Bethlehem on April 15, the game-tying goal, he returned to the field against his former - and hometown - club North Carolina FC on May 19 where he had a brace
- He also set up Danni König's game-winning goal at New York on June 2, although he was not credited with an assist
- He saw his four-game goal-scoring streak snapped at Nashville on July 7 after netting goals in each of four prior games (vs. Bethlehem Steel FC on June 13, vs. Richmond Kickers on June 16, at Toronto FC II on June 27 and vs. Ottawa on June 30)

- 23 of his 25 shots have come in the last 11 USL starts, as have 11-of-14 shots on target

### KING KÖNIG

- In just over a year since joining the club, Danni König has emerged as FC Cincinnati's most prolific goal scorer
- König is the club's all-time leading goal scorer (both all competitions and USL games only), netting 21 goals in 43 appearances in the Orange and Blue since May 2, 2017 ... all of his goals have come in USL regular-season play
- With his game-winning goal at North Carolina on June 9 - putting FCC up 1-0 in the 37th minute - Danni König netted his 17th career goal with the Orange and Blue to take the club's career lead in goals
- On the club's USL goal list, König is five ahead of Sean Okoli (16), while Djiby tallied 16 goals in all competitions to share second place with Okoli on that chart
- König's 21 strikes at FC Cincinnati breakdown like this:
  - Five (5) game-winners
  - Two (2) penalty kicks
  - Eight (8) in the first half
  - 13 in the second half
  - Two (2) have come in second-half stoppage time, each time a crucial, match-tying goal
  - 14 have been scored at Nippert Stadium
  - He has only one multiple-goal match with FCC: his first two goals in Cincinnati, May 20, 2017 versus Bethlehem Steel FC

### STILL AT THE TOP OF THE EAST

- FC Cincinnati enters the weekend atop the Eastern Conference standings for the 14th week in the last 15 - and for every week since the start of June
- FCC has 45 points from 22 games and holds a five-point lead over second-place teams Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (40 points in 21 games) and Charleston Battery (40 points in 23 games)
- Cincinnati's 45 points are second-most in the USL overall, trailing only Real Monarchs SLC (47 pts. in 22 games) by two points.
- Real Monarchs SLC (2.14 points per game) and FC Cincinnati (2.05 points per game) are the only clubs in the USL who are averaging more than 2.00 points per game

### ROAD WARRIORS EARLY ON ...

- FC Cincinnati played 10 of its first 20 games of the season away from Nippert Stadium and has posted a 6-1-3 record on the road so far this year
- Away from home, the Orange and Blue have out-scored their hosts 17-11 on the season, averaging 1.70 goals on the road
- Defensively, FCC is holding its hosts to 1.10 goals per game with four shutouts: at Charleston Battery on March 15, at Indy Eleven on March 31, at North Carolina on June 9 and at Nashville SC on July 7
- Of Cincinnati's 45 points on the season, 21 of them have come away from Nippert Stadium ... FCC has taken 21-of-30 available points away from home this season and has claimed points in 9-of-10 games on the road

### ... BUT WILL BE HOMEBODIES THIS SUMMER

- While FCC has spent considerable time on the road so far this season, that has changed now that summer is in full swing
- Between now and mid-August, Cincinnati is in the midst of six straight USL games - from July 14 through August 18 - in front of the record-setting, raucous crowds at Nippert Stadium
- The Orange and Blue won't play a road game again until Aug. 22 when they start a two-game road trip to Atlanta and Tampa Bay (Aug. 22, Aug. 25)
- After an 0-1-1 start at home in 2018, FCC is now 7-2-3 at Nippert Stadium this year with the two losses both coming to Louisville City FC (April 7 and May 26)

## ROAD RUN IN PERSPECTIVE

- So far this season, Cincinnati has posted a 6-1-3 road record in USL play, collecting points in 9-of-10 games ... FCC has earned 21 points on the road so far
- In 2017, Cincinnati went 4-8-4 in the club's 16-game USL road schedule and collected points in half the team's games – 8-of-16 – for just 16 points on the road all season
- In 2016 – the club's first year – Cincinnati went 7-5-4 away from home, collecting points in 11-of-16 games for 25 points
- FCC is on pace to shatter its best road performance this year, already one win shy of the club's record for road wins in a season (7) and four points back of its best point collection (2016) with still 7 of its 17 total USL road games left to play

## SPREADING THE WEALTH

- Twelve different FCC players have netted goals in 2018, led by 10 goals from Danni König
- Emmanuel Ledesma has scored nine goals, Nazmi Albadawi has added seven goals, while Corben Bone and Kenney Walker all follow right behind with three goals apiece
- Emery Welshman, Jimmy McLaughlin, and Forrest Lasso have each netted a pair, while Russell Cicerone, Dekel Keinan, Blake Smith, and Paddy Barrett each have scored single goals
- FC Cincinnati's 42 goals so far this season are tied for second most in the USL

## TROUBLESOME TANDEM

- The front-running duo of Danni König and Emmanuel Ledesma has created havoc for opposing back lines since late-April
- Since uniting as a forward tandem at the start of the second half against Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC on April 21, the pair has combined for 19 goals and 11 assists in the 18 games since
- Additionally, three of König's last eight goals have been set up Ledesma
- In fact, in those 18 games, one or both players have been kept off the scoresheet just four times since April 21: a 2-0 loss to Louisville on May 26, the 2-2 draw against Bethlehem Steel FC on June 13 (which Ledesma missed because of a yellow-card accumulation suspension), the 0-0 draw at Nashville SC on July 7 and the 2-0 win over Charlotte on July 18 (which König did not see action in)

## MANU-V-P

- Emmanuel "Manu" Ledesma has turned heads in his first USL season after a year of standout play in the NASL with the New York Cosmos in 2017 and is now having an MVP-caliber season for Cincinnati
- In 21 appearances for FC Cincinnati this year, Ledesma is tied for 11th in the USL in goals (9) and leads the USL in assists (10) - and ranks second in goals and first in assists among all FC Cincinnati players
- He was the USL June Player of the Month after earning a runner-up finish in the May USL Player of the Month voting ... additionally, USL fans voted him the overwhelming USL Midseason Most Valuable Player
- In the last 16 games he's played, Ledesma has scored all nine of his goals and recorded seven assists overall as FCC went 11-2-3 in that run
- Ledesma has been voted to the USL Team of the Week five times this season (Weeks 7, 8, 10, 12 - bench and 14) and was the league's Player of the Week for Week 10 and June's Player of the Month

## GOALKEEPER UNION SO FAR THIS SEASON

- Because of injury, FCC have used two different goalkeepers through the first 22 games of the season
- Even Newton (9-2-6) started the first five games before a hip injury sidelined him for four games ... Newton returned to the field for the Orange and Blue's USOC Second-Round game against Detroit City FC on May 16, and then returned to the USL field against North Carolina FC on May 19, starting 11 of

the last 12 league games

- In Newton's stead, Spencer Richey (4-1-0) stepped into goal for the four USL games in Newton's injury absence and started the Orange and Blue's match against New York Red Bulls II (July 21)
- Between the two 'keepers, Cincinnati have posted nine USL shutouts: eight by Newton and one by Richey ... FCC is tied for seventh in the USL in shutouts, five back of league leader Pittsburgh (14)
- Newton is tied for fifth in the USL in shutouts, and his 45 saves are tied for 16th in the league overall, despite missing four games

## CORBEN'S CUTTING UP THE MIDFIELD

- Corben Bone has been one of FCC's top players so far this season, with some career-best two-way play in the midfield
- An original Orange and Blue member, Bone is tied for fourth on the team in goals (3) and is tied for second in assists (4)
- He also leads all Cincinnati players in minutes played (1,783) and is the only player who has appeared in all 22 games
- So far this season, he has completed 26 key passes and posted an 84.0 percent pass completion rate - the third-highest mark on the squad among players who've started more than half the team's games
- In one of his best games this season, Bone not only scored what proved to be the game-winning goal at Indy on May 2, but also set up Jimmy McLaughlin's late first-half goal to bring FCC back level

## CORBEN'S CAREER YEAR ALREADY

- Corben Bone's three goals and four assists - through 22 USL games - has already out-paced his entire 2017 season total ... Bone is tied for 21st in the USL in assists this season
- Last year, in 29 appearances, Bone scored two goals and added three assists ... in 2016, Bone collected a career-high five assists

## SMITH SURGING FORWARD

- Blake Smith is the squad's top-scoring defender this season, netting one goal and adding four assists in 19 USL appearances from his left back position
- Smith tallied the team's season-opening goal in FCC's 1-0 road win at Charleston on March 17 and then picked up his first assist on Emmanuel Ledesma's eventual game-winning goal against Atlanta
- At New York Red Bulls II on June 2, Smith set up Ledesma's game-tying goal in the second half and then put in the lofted cross against Bethlehem that Russell Cicerone headed home on June 13 ... on June 30, Danni König headed in his cross to put FCC up 1-0 early against Ottawa
- Smith has missed three games this season - two games in April and one in May - with ankle injuries
- His four assists this season are tied with Corben Bone for second-most on the team, behind Ledesma's league-leading 10 ... overall, he's tied for 21st in the USL in helpers

## ONE FIRST AFTER ANOTHER FOR CICERONE

- After a trio of successful appearances in U.S. Open Cup play, right-sided midfielder Russell Cicerone made his debut in USL play for Cincinnati on June 9 at North Carolina ... he started and played 73 minutes in his league debut ... Cicerone finished the day with two shots - including one on target - and a team-best three crosses
- Four days later on June 13, he started his second straight game and added another first: his first USL goal ... against Bethlehem, he headed in a Blake Smith cross to then put FCC up 2-1, a lead which they surrendered a minute later
- It was his first professional goal after not seeing time with Timbers 2 in his first pro season in 2017
- Cicerone added the first ever goal scored by an FC Cincinnati player in an international friendly when he scored on July 28 against RCD Espanyol



## WALKER HITS SCORING STRIDE EARLY ON

- Kenney Walker was a key factor in the FCC attack at the start of the season as the team's overhauled roster continued to gel ... in a four-game span, he registered three goals and one secondary assist
- After missing the team's third and fourth games after an in-game collision at Indy on March 31, he returned to the field on April 21 against Pittsburgh as a substitute and was integral to the team's success as the team headed in to May
- Against Pittsburgh, his second-half goal proved to be the game's equalizer in the 2-2 draw
- On April 28 at Ottawa, Walker had a wonder-strike from just in front of the midfield line that earned him SportsCenter's No. 1 Play of the Day honors and then ultimately USL's April Goal of the Month award
- At Indy on May 2, Walker's successful PK attempt seven minutes in put FCC ahead early
- On May 2 against Atlanta, his long, angled through ball to Emmanuel Ledesma set up Danni König's opening goal
- On the season, Walker has scored three goals and added one assist

## RYAN HAS HIS TOUCH

- Richie Ryan dropped right into place in the Orange and Blue's central midfield after joining the club from Miami FC this winter
- The Irishman ranks second in passing percentage with an 87.7 percent mark, while his 854 passes rank third on the squad
- Additionally, his 62.7 passes per 90 minutes are tops among regular players in Cincy
- Overall, he has nine key passes so far this season from his deep-lying position
- However, after exiting the Orange and Blue's midweek game at Toronto on June 27, Ryan has missed the last four games with a lower-leg injury and is expected to miss several weeks overall

## CENTERS OF ATTENTION

- Cincinnati has used four different center backs this season in league play: captain Dekel Keinan (18 starts, 1,566 minutes), Forrest Lasso (17 starts, 1,584 minutes), Paddy Barrett (8 starts, 720 minutes) and Sem de Wit (1 start, 90 minutes)
- They have played in five different combinations so far this season: Keinan-Lasso ... Keinan-Barrett ... Lasso-Barrett ... Keinan-de Wit ... Lasso-de Wit
- The only combination that has yet to happen is Barrett-de Wit

## LAHOUD GETTING IN HIS GROOVE

- Michael Lahoud, acquired on April 18 after two seasons at NASL club Miami FC, has gotten himself integrated into the squad quickly
- In USL play, he has made 14 appearances - including 11 starts ... overall, he has 17 appearances and 14 starts in all competitions ... he's collected two assists so far in USL action and his 88.9 passing percentage is the best on the team among all players regardless of playing time
- Lahoud made his Cincinnati debut at Indy on May 2 with a start in the midfield ... in his FCC debut, the Sierra Leone international played a full 90-minute shift against the Eleven, picking up an assist on Corben Bone's game-winning goal ... he finished the game with an 87 percent passing completion rate, converting 40-of-46 passes
- He came on as a substitute for Jimmy McLaughlin against Atlanta three nights later on May 5 - posting an 81.3 percent passing rate - before again starting at Charlotte on May 12, where he had a 92.5 percent passing mark in 90 minutes
- On June 30, when he slotted into the deep-lying midfield spot in place of Richie Ryan, he completed 97.1 percent of his passes (66-of-68) against Ottawa
- He also started all three USOC games in the deep central midfield, including captaining the team at Pittsburgh in the third round on May 23 ... against Detroit City on May 16, he had a 91.4 percent passing rate with a team-high 93 passes

- Before coming to Cincinnati, Lahoud played alongside current FCC teammates Richie Ryan and Blake Smith with Miami FC, making 52 appearances (50 starts) with one goal and five assists ... he was also the NASL 2016 Humanitarian of the Year
- Lahoud also played six seasons in MLS, first drafted by Chivas USA in 2009 before being traded to Philadelphia in 2012

## CINCINNATI WELCOMES MILLIONTH FAN ACROSS ALL COMPETITIONS

- FC Cincinnati welcomed its one millionth fan across all competitions on June 30 vs. Ottawa Fury FC
- That total includes fans that attended regular season matches, international friendlies, U.S. Open Cup contests and a USL Cup Playoffs match
- FC Cincinnati has seen an increase in average attendance - and is on pace to increase total attendance - for USL regular season matches in each of the club's three seasons
- 2016 -17,296 Average (259,437 Total)
- 2017 -21,199 Average (339,181 Total)
- 2018 -25,110 Average (301,318 Total)

## ATTENDANCE LEADERS

- FC Cincinnati leads the USL in both total and average attendance so far in 2018
- FCC's home attendance average of 25,110 is already an 18 percent increase over the team's 2017 average of 21,199 on the season ... it's more than double the USL's second-place team in average attendance, Sacramento Republic FC (11,393)
- The team's total attendance of 301,318 through its first 12 home games is also tops in the league ... it has more than doubled the second-highest team (Sacramento Republic FC), which has welcomed 125,323 fans to 11 games
- Between U.S. and Canadian-based professional teams, the Orange and Blue's average ranks fourth highest overall, behind Atlanta United (MLS - 51,291), Seattle Sounders FC (MLS - 40,592) and Toronto FC (MLS - 26,591)

## THE ORIGINAL GUARD

- Three players from FC Cincinnati's inaugural season in 2016 are still members of the Orange and Blue this season
- Corben Bone, Jimmy McLaughlin and Kenney Walker all joined the team in the winter of 2015, ahead of the 2016 season
- All three rank in the club's top five in career minutes played, as well

## U.S. OPEN CUP RUN, 2018 EDITION

- FC Cincinnati advanced to the fourth round of the U.S. Open Cup for the second straight year
- The team's run in the 2018 edition of the cup began with a 4-1 after extra time win over NPSL's Detroit City FC on May 16 at Cincinnati's Gutterer Stadium ... Emery Welshman factored in all four goals, netting a hat trick and setting up Corben Bone's game-winning goal in the extra session
- On May 23, Cincinnati traveled to USL foe Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC - who were previously undefeated at Highmark Stadium and had yet to allow a goal at home - and came away with a 3-1 win to advance to the Fourth Round
- On June 6, FCC and MLS' Minnesota United FC played to a 0-0 draw after extra time at Nippert Stadium, but MNUFC advanced in penalties, 3-1, to move on to the Round of 16

## M-L-YES!

- On May 29, Major League Soccer announced that FC Cincinnati would be joining MLS as an expansion team in 2019
- At an announcement at Cincinnati's Rhinegeist Brewery, MLS Commissioner Don Garber welcomed the Carl H. Lindner III-led ownership group into the nation's top soccer league





## MISCELLANEOUS MLS NOTES

- FCC is 1-1-2 all-time against MLS teams in formal (non-preseason) competition
- Cincinnati has never lost to an MLS team in regulation as the one loss (vs. New York Red Bulls in 2017 U.S. Open Cup semifinals) came in extra time, and the two ties went to penalties (vs. Chicago Fire in the 2017 U.S. Open Cup Round of 16 and vs. Minnesota United FC in 2018 U.S. Open Cup Fourth Round) ... FCC advanced past Chicago, but Minnesota advanced

## BUSY BYE WEEKEND FOR THE KEEPERS BRINGS ENGAGED NUMBERS UP

- With the team's bye weekend on June 23, the FCC goalkeepers made the most of it: both Evan Newton and Spencer Richey proposed to their longtime girlfriends that weekend ... both women accepted the proposals
- Newton became engaged to his girlfriend, Kelly, in Cincinnati on Wednesday, June 20, while Richey proposed to his now-fiancé Elizabeth in Nashville on Friday, June 22
- Those two new engagements bring the club's total current engagements to five: Nazmi Albadawi, Matt Bahner, Newton, Richey and Blake Smith ... additionally former FCC player and current fitness coach Austin Berry is also engaged
- The Orange and Blue's third goalkeeper - Mark Village - is already married, having wed his wife Caitlin in August of 2017



**GAME 1 | MARCH 17, 2018**  
**MUSC Health Stadium | Charleston, S.C.**  
 Attendance: 4,598

Teams	1H	2H	F
Charleston Battery	0	0	0
FC Cincinnati	1	0	1

**Scoring Summary**

CHA – None  
 CIN – Blake Smith (unassisted) 18'

**Misconduct Summary**

CHA – Ataula Guerra (caution) 51', Jared Van Schaik (caution) 80', Quinton Griffith (ejection) 92'  
 CIN – Lance Laing (caution) 63', Forrest Lasso (caution) 85', Danni König (caution) 92', Ritchie Ryan (caution) 97'

**Charleston Battery:** Odisnel Cooper (GK), Quinton Griffith, Skylar Thomas, Taylor Mueller ©, Jarad van Schaik, Nicholas Rittmeyer (Gordon Wild 80'), Tah Anunga, Kotaro Higashi, Neveal Hacksaw (Victor Mansaray 88'), Ian Svantesson (Patrick Okonkwo 88'), Ataula Guerra. Bench: Vincenzo Candela, Joe Kuzminsky, Angelo Kelly-Rosales, Jay Bolt.

**FC Cincinnati:** Evan Newton, Blake Smith, Forrest Lasso, Dekel Keinan ©, Justin Hoyte, Richie Ryan, Kenney Walker, Lance Laing, Corben Bone (Will Seymore 72'), Emmanuel Ledesma (Daniel Haber 90'), Emery Welshman (Danni König 68'). Bench: Spencer Richey, Nazmi Albadawi, Matt Bahner, Paddy Barrett.

Statistics	S	SOG	F	O	CK	Svs	Poss%
Charleston	24	4	16	0	10	2	55.5
FC Cincinnati	9	3	15	0	3	4	44.5

**Records**

Charleston 0-1-0  
 FC Cincinnati 1-0-0

**GAME 2 | MARCH 31, 2018**  
**Lucas Oil Stadium | Indianapolis, Ind.**  
 Attendance: 17,535

Teams	1H	2H	F
Indy Eleven	0	0	0
FC Cincinnati	1	0	1

**Scoring Summary**

IND – None  
 CIN – Emery Welshman (Emmanuel Ledesma) 26'

**Misconduct Summary**

IND – Reiner Ferreira (caution) 41', Jack McInerney (caution) 49+'  
 CIN – Dekel Keinan (caution) 54', Forrest Lasso (caution) 74'

**Indy Eleven:** Owain Fon Williams, Reiner Ferreira (Brad Ring 44'), Carlyle Mitchell, Tyler Pasher, Karl Ouimette, Eugene Starilov, Nico Matern, Matthew Watson (Justin Braun 86'), Zach Steinberger, Ben Speas (Soony Saad 57'), Jack McInerney. Bench: Nathan Lewis, Juan Guerra, Brad Rusin, Ben Lundgaard.

**FC Cincinnati:** Evan Newton, Blake Smith, Forrest Lasso, Dekel Keinan ©, Justin Hoyte, Richie Ryan, Kenney Walker (Will Seymore 17'), Lance Laing (Daniel Haber 65'), Corben Bone, Emmanuel Ledesma, Emery Welshman (Danni König 80'). Bench: Spencer Richey, Matt Bahner, Nazmi Albadawi, Paddy Barrett.

Statistics	S	SOG	F	O	CK	Svs	Poss%
Indy Eleven	22	6	7	1	3	1	51.4
FC Cincinnati	8	2	18	2	4	6	48.6

**Records**

Indy Eleven 1-1-0  
 FC Cincinnati 2-0-0



**GAME 3 | APRIL 7, 2018**  
**Nippert Stadium | Cincinnati, Ohio**  
 Attendance: 25,667

Teams	1H	2H	F
FC Cincinnati	0	0	0
Louisville City FC	1	0	1

**Scoring Summary**

CIN – None  
 LOU – Cameron Lancaster (unassisted) 13'

**Misconduct Summary**

CIN – Emmanuel Ledesma (caution) 35'  
 LOU – Cameron Lancaster (caution) 47"  
 LOU – Ilija Ilic (caution) 94'

**FC Cincinnati:** Evan Newton, Blake Smith (Daniel Haber 70'), Dekel Keinan ©, Forrest Lasso, Justin Hoyte, Richie Ryan, Corben Bone, Will Seymore (Danni König 57'), Lance Laing, Emmanuel Ledesma, Emery Welshman (Jimmy McLaughlin 76'). Bench: Spencer Richey, Matt Bahner, Nazmi Albadawi, Paddy Barrett.

**Louisville City FC:** Gregory Ranjitsingh, Sean Totsch, Pat McMahon (Shaun Francis 62'), Paco Craig, Kyle Smith, Paolo DelPiccolo ©, Oscar Jimenez, Devon Williams, Cameron Lancaster (Ilija Ilic 66'), George Davis IV (Niall McCabe 61'), Magnus Rasmussen. Bench: Tim Dobrowolski, Chris Hubbard, Alexis Souahy, Brian Ownby.

Statistics	S	SOG	F	O	CK	Svs	Poss%
FC Cincinnati	16	3	16	2	5	1	55.5
Louisville City FC	13	2	12	1	3	3	44.5

**Records**

FC Cincinnati 2-1-0  
 Louisville City FC 3-0-0

**Game 4 | April 15, 2018**  
**Goodman Stadium | Bethlehem, Pa.**  
 Attendance: 1,418

Teams	1H	2H	F
Bethlehem Steel FC	1	0	1
FC Cincinnati	0	1	1

**Scoring Summary**

BET – Cory Burke (Anthony Fontana) 15'  
 CIN – Nazmi Albadawi (Emery Welshman) 71'

**Misconduct Summary**

BET – Prosper Chiluya (caution) 66', Cory Burke (caution) 83'  
 CIN – None

**Bethlehem Steel FC:** John McCarthy ©, Brandon Aubrey, Josh Yaro (Eric Ayuk 46'), Matthew Mahoney, Prosper Chiluya, Derrick Jones, Santi Moar, Marcus Epps (Brandon Allen 79'), Brenden Aaronson (Mike Catalano 23'), Anthony Fontana, Corey Burke. Bench: Aiden Apodaca, Tomas Romero, Drew Skundrich, Chris Nanco

**FC Cincinnati:** Evan Newton, Matt Bahner (Lance Laing 63'), Dekel Keinan ©, Forrest Lasso, Justin Hoyte, Richie Ryan, Corben Bone, Nazmi Albadawi, Emmanuel Ledesma, Daniel Haber (Jimmy McLaughlin 80'), Emery Welshman (Danni König 76'). Bench: Spencer Richey, Will Seymore, Blake Smith, Sem de Wit.

Statistics	S	SOG	F	O	CK	Svs	Poss%
Bethlehem Steel FC	14	3	12	1	5	4	44.6
FC Cincinnati	18	5	10	4	8	2	55.4

**Records**

Bethlehem Steel FC 1-2-2  
 FC Cincinnati 2-1-1



**GAME 5 | APRIL 21, 2018**  
**Nippert Stadium | Cincinnati, Ohio**  
 Attendance: 24,505

Teams	1H	2H	F
FC Cincinnati	0	2	2
Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC	1	1	2

**Scoring Summary**

CIN – Danni König (Corben Bone) 59', Kenney Walker (unassisted) 78'  
 PGH – Jordan Dover (unassisted) 6', Thomas Vancaeyezeele (Kenardo Forbes) 73'

**Misconduct Summary**

CIN – Emmanuel Ledesma (caution) 68', Dekel Keinan (caution) 88', Lance Laing (caution) 91+'  
 PGH – Jordan Dover (caution) 36'

**FC Cincinnati:** Evan Newton, Lance Laing, Forrest Lasso, Dekel Keinan ©, Justin Hoyte, Richie Ryan, Corben Bone, Jimmy McLaughlin (Kenney Walker 70'), Nazmi Albadawi, Emmanuel Ledesma, Danni König (Emery Welshman 79'). Bench: Spencer Richey, Russell Cicerone, Matt Bahner, Daniel Haber, Paddy Barrett.

**Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC:** Daniel Lynd, Thomas Vancaeyezeele, Tobi Adewole, Todd Pratzner, Ben Zemanski (Hugh Roberts 60'), Kevin Kerr © (Christiano Francois 60'), Mouhamed Dabo, Raymond Lee, Jordan Dover, Neco Brett, Kendardo Forbes (Andrew Lubahn 81'). Bench: Kyle Morton, Joseph Holland, Dennis Chin, Bakie Goodman.

Statistics	S	SOG	F	O	CK	Svs	Poss%
FC Cincinnati	13	5	17	3	4	0	63.8
Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC	10	2	11	1	2	3	36.2

**Records**

FC Cincinnati 2-1-2  
 Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC 2-0-3

**Game 6 | April 28, 2018**  
**TD Place Stadium | Ottawa, Ontario**  
 Attendance: 2,785

Teams	1H	2H	F
Ottawa Fury FC	0	0	0
FC Cincinnati	0	3	3

**Scoring Summary**

OTT – None  
 CIN – Kenney Walker (unassisted) 68', Corben Bone (Emmanuel Ledesma) 69', Emmanuel Ledesma (unassisted) 77'

**Misconduct Summary**

OTT – Adonijah Reid (caution) 63'  
 CIN – Forrest Lasso (caution) 49', Emmanuel Ledesma (caution) 56', Blake Smith (caution) 57'

**Ottawa Fury FC:** Maxime Crepeau, Chris Mannella, Colin Falvey, Sergio Manesio, Eddie Edward, Kevin Oliveira, Cristian Portilla (Jamar Dixon 60'), Gerardo Bruna (Sito Seoana 75'), Tony Taylor (Steevan Dos Santos 63'), Adonijah Reid, Carl Haworth ©. Bench: David Monsalve, Gabriel Wiethaeuper-Baldinotti, Doneil Henry, Thomas Meilleir-Giguere.

**FC Cincinnati:** Spencer Richey, Blake Smith, Dekel Keinan ©, Forrest Lasso, Justin Hoyte, Richie Ryan, Corben Bone, Kenney Walker, Nazmi Albadawi (Jimmy McLaughlin 72'), Emmanuel Ledesma (Daniel Haber 83'), Danni König (Emery Welshman 91+'). Bench: Mark Village, Matt Behner, Michael Lahoud, Paddy Barrett.

Statistics	S	SOG	F	O	CK	Sv	Poss%
Ottawa Fury FC	10	3	14	9	7	5	47.8
FC Cincinnati	14	8	16	7	1	3	52.2

**Records**

Ottawa Fury FC 0-4-1  
 FC Cincinnati 3-1-2



**GAME 7 | MAY 2, 2018**  
**Lucas Oil Stadium | Indianapolis, Ind.**  
 Attendance: 8,079

Teams	1H	2H	F
Indy Eleven	2	0	2
FC Cincinnati	2	1	3

**Scoring Summary**

IND – Jack McInerney (unassisted) 24', Ayoze (penalty) 30'  
 CIN – Kenney Walker (penalty) 7', Jimmy McLaughlin (Corben Bone) 41', Corben Bone (Michael Lahoud) 54'

**Misconduct Summary**

IND – Ayoze (caution) 88'  
 CIN – Forrest Lasso (caution) 60', Emery Welshman (caution) 72', Kenney Walker (caution) 76'

**Indy Eleven:** Owain Fon Williams, Ayoze, Brad Ring, Carlyle Mitchell, Karl Ouimette, Juan Guerra, Ben Speas (Matthew Watson 60'), Soony Saad, Zach Steinberger (Nathan Lewis 60'), Tyler Pasher, Jack McInerney. Bench: Jordan Farr, Nico Matern, Brad Rusin, Kevin Venegas.

**FC Cincinnati:** Spencer Richey, Matt Bahner, Paddy Barrett, Forrest Lasso, Blake Smith, Michael Lahoud, Corben Bone (Will Seymore 81'), Kenney Walker ©, Jimmy McLaughlin, Emery Welshman (Tomi Ameobi 86'), Daniel Haber (Emmanuel Ledesma 67'). Bench: Mark Village, Sen de Wit, Lance Laing, Russell Cicerone.

Statistics	S	SOG	F	O	CK	Sv	Poss%
Indy Eleven	17	6	5	1	6	2	47.3
FC Cincinnati	16	5	13	1	6	4	52.7

**Records**

Indy Eleven 3-2-1  
 FC Cincinnati 4-1-2

**GAME 8 | MAY 5, 2018**  
**Nippert Stadium | Cincinnati, Ohio**  
 Attendance: 22,532

Teams	1H	2H	F
FC Cincinnati	3	1	4
Atlanta United 2	2	0	2

**Scoring Summary**

CIN – Danni König (Emmanuel Ledesma, Kenney Walker) 26', Emmanuel Ledesma (Blake Smith) 28', Corben Bone (unassisted) 39', Emmanuel Ledesma (unassisted) 46'  
 ATL – Jon Gallagher (A.J. Cochran, Jack Metcalf) 31', Laurent Kissiedou (unassisted) 41'

**Misconduct Summary**

CIN – Dekel Keinan (caution) 30',  
 ATL – Laurent Kissiedou (caution) 37', Andrew Carleton (caution) 87'

**FC Cincinnati:** Spencer Richey, Blake Smith, Dekel Keinan, Forrest Lasso, Justin Hoyte, Richie Ryan, Kenney Walker, Corben Bone, Jimmy McLaughlin (Michael Lahoud 71'), Oliver Shannon, Andrew Carleton, Jon Gallagher, Laurent Kissiedou (Laurent Kissiedou 46'), Paddy Barrett, Tomi Ameobi, Matt Bahner.

**Atlanta United 2:** Nicolas Caraux, A.J. Cochran, Kendall Edwards, Mikey Ambrose, Jack Metcalf ©, Christopher Goslin (Devon Sandoval 81'), Shawn Nicklaw (Jose Carranza 77'), Oliver Shannon, Andrew Carleton, Jon Gallagher, Laurent Kissiedou (Laurent Kissiedou 46'). Bench: Russell Shealy, Kevin Barajas, Andrew Kendall-Moulin.

Statistics	S	SOG	F	O	CK	Sv	Poss%
FC Cincinnati	13	6	9	2	0	0	45.3
Atlanta United 2	14	2	10	2	5	2	54.7

**Records**

FC Cincinnati 5-1-2  
 Atlanta United 2 1-3-3



**GAME 9 | MAY 12, 2018**  
**Sportsplex at Matthews | Matthews, N.C.**  
 Attendance: 2,314

Teams	1H	2H	F
Charlotte Independence	2	2	4
FC Cincinnati	0	1	1

**Scoring Summary**

CLT – Cordell Cato (Jorge Herrera) 38', Yann Ekra (Alex Martinez) 47+', Kay Voser (Jore Herrera) 57', Eamon Zayed (Kay Voser) 87'  
 CIN – Danni König (Emmanuel Ledesma) 51'

**Misconduct Summary**

CLT – Alex Martinez (caution) 68'  
 CIN – Emmanuel Ledesma (caution) 46+', Richie Ryan (caution) 71', Forrest Lasso (caution) 75', Dekel Keinan (caution) 85'

**Charlotte Independence:** Brandon Miller, Joel Johnson, Lee Jung-Soo, Samuel Vines, Jorge Herrera © (Daniel Steedman 92+'), Kay Voser, Cordell Cato (Jake Aremen 90'), Alex Martinez, Yann Ekra, Eamon Zayed (Ricardo Perez 92+'). Bench: Mutaya Mwape, Kainoa Likewise, Calvin Doum.

**FC Cincinnati:** Spencer Richey, Justin Hoyte, Forest Lasso, Dekel Keinan ©, Blake Smith (Jimmy McLaughlin 46'), Richie Ryan, Kenney Walker, Corben Bone, Michael Lahoud, Emmanuel Ledesma (Emery Welshman 71'), Danni König (Tomi Ameobi 85'). Bench: Evan Newton, Matt Bahner, Will Seymore, Paddy Barrett.

Statistics	S	SOG	F	O	CK	Sv	Poss%
Charlotte Independence	9	6	13	1	2	3	51.4
FC Cincinnati	15	7	10	0	4	5	48.6

**Records**

FC Cincinnati 5-2-2  
 Charlotte Independence 3-3-2

**GAME 10 | MAY 19, 2018**  
**Nippert Stadium | Cincinnati, Ohio**  
 Attendance: 22,884

Teams	1H	2H	F
FC Cincinnati	2	2	4
North Carolina FC	0	1	1

**Scoring Summary**

CIN – Nazmi Albadawi (Emmanuel Ledesma) 11', Nazmi Albadawi (Emmanuel Ledesma) 45', Emmanuel Ledesma (penalty) 62', Danni König (Emmanuel Ledesma) 69'  
 NC – Marios Lomis (Kyle Bekker) 86'

**Misconduct Summary**

CIN – Blake Smith (caution) 30', Danni König (caution) 75'  
 NC – Kyle Bekker (caution) 65'

**FC Cincinnati:** Evan Newton, Blake Smith, Paddy Barrett, Dekel Keinan ©, Justin Hoyte, Richie Ryan (Michael Lahoud 82'), Kenney Walker, Corben Bone, Nazmi Albadawi, Emmanuel Ledesma (Emery Welshman 71'), Danni König (Jimmy McLaughlin 84'). Bench: Spencer Richey, Sem De Wit, Matt Bahner, Russell Cicerone.

**North Carolina FC:** Alex Tambakis, Peabo Doue, Michael Harrington, Fuffy Danso, D.J. Taylor, Austin de Luz © (Ulrich Ewolo 70'), Marcel Kandziora, Graham Smith (Bernhard Luxbacher 84'), Kyle Bekker, Steven Miller, Daniel Rios (Marios Lomis 70'). Bench: Austin Guerrero, Connor Tobin, Andre Fortune, Aaron Guillen.

Statistics	S	SOG	F	O	CK	Sv	Poss%
FC Cincinnati	17	6	10	3	4	1	56.8
North Carolina FC	16	2	10	0	5	2	43.2

**Records**

FC Cincinnati 6-2-2  
 North Carolina FC 2-4-2



**GAME 11 | MAY 26, 2018**  
**Nippert Stadium | Cincinnati, Ohio**  
 Attendance: 26,495

Teams	1H	2H	F
FC Cincinnati	0	0	0
Louisville City FC	1	1	2

**Scoring Summary**

LOU – Cameron Lancaster (unassisted) 15', George Davis IV (Oscar Jimenez) 73'

**Misconduct Summary**

CIN – Paddy Barret (caution) 28', Richie Ryan (caution) 33', Dekel Keinan (caution) 81'  
 LOU – Paco Craig (caution) 55', Devon Williams (caution) 85'

**FC Cincinnati:** Evan Newton, Matt Bahner, Dekel Keinan, Paddy Barrett, Justin Hoyte, Corben Bone, Richie Ryan, Kenney Walker (Michael Lahoud 73'), Nazmi Albadawi (Lance Laing 79'), Emmanuel Ledesma, Danni König (Emery Welshman 64'). Bench: Spencer Richey, Forrest Lasso, Russell Cicerone, Jimmy McLaughlin.

**Louisville City FC:** Gregory Ranjitsingh, Paco Craig, Sean Totsch, Pat McMahon, Oscar Jimenez, Kyle Smith, Ilija Ilic (Brian Ownby 62'), Paolo DelPiccolo, Devon Williams, Magnus Rasmussen (George Davis IV 66'), Cameron Lancaster (Luke Spencer 30'). Bench: Tim Dombrowski, Chris Hubbard, Niall McCabe, Alexis Souahy.

Statistics	S	SOG	F	O	CK	Sv	Poss%
FC Cincinnati	9	0	20	1	2	5	51.8
Louisville City FC	14	7	16	0	3	0	48.2

**Records**

FC Cincinnati 6-3-2  
 Louisville City FC 7-2-1

**GAME 12 | JUNE 2, 2018**  
**Red Bull Arena | Harrison, N.J.**  
 Attendance: 613

Teams	1H	2H	F
New York Red Bulls II	1	0	1
FC Cincinnati	0	2	2

**Scoring Summary**

NY – Amando Moreno (Jared Stout) 7'  
 CIN – Emmanuel Ledesma (Blake Smith) 65', Danni König (unassisted) 77'

**Misconduct Summary**

NY – Lucas Stauffer (caution) 69'  
 CIN – Emery Welshman (caution) 57', Paddy Barrett (caution) 62', Richie Ryan (caution) 71'

**New York Red Bulls II:** Scott Levene, Lucas Stauffer (Jordan Ballon 74'), Niko De Vera, Wahab Ackwei, Kevin Politz, Jared Stroud, Amando Moreno, Cristian Casseres Jr. (Steven Echeverria 63'), Christopher Lema, Andrew Tinari ©, Brian White (Tom Barlow 70'). Bench: Benjamin Mines, Matthew Frank, Jose Aguinaga, John Murphy.

**FC Cincinnati:** Evan Newton, Blake Smith, Forrest Lasso, Paddy Barrett, Justin Hoyte, Richie Ryan ©, Michael Lahoud Kenney Walker 87', Corben Bone (Jimmy McLaughlin 63'), Nazmi Albadawi, Emmanuel Ledesma, Emery Welshman (Danni König 63'). Bench: Spencer Richey, Sem de Wit, Matt Bahner, Will Seymore.

Statistics	S	SOG	F	O	CK	Sv	Poss%
New York Red Bulls II	13	1	14	1	4	3	46.2
FC Cincinnati	8	5	16	4	5	0	53.8

**Records**

New York Red Bulls II 4-3-5  
 FC Cincinnati 7-3-2





### GAME 13 | JUNE 9, 2018

Sahlen's Stadium at WakeMed Soccer Park | Cary, N.C.

Attendance: 4,039

Teams	1H	2H	F
North Carolina FC	0	0	0
FC Cincinnati	1	1	2

#### Scoring Summary

NC – None

CIN – Danni König (unassisted) 37', Jimmy McLaughlin (unassisted) 87'

#### Misconduct Summary

NC – None

CIN – Emmanuel Ledesma (caution) 26', Danni König (caution) 53', Justin Hoyte (caution) 72'

**North Carolina FC:** Alex Tambakis, D.J. Taylor, Peabo Doue, Michael Harrington, Connor Tobin, Austin da Luz ©, Marcel Kandziora (Kyle Bekker 65'), Graham Smith, Ulrich Ewolo (Marios Lomis 65'), Daniel Rios. Bench: Wulito Fernandes, Austin Guerrero, Tiyi Shipalane, Andre Fortune, Aarón Guillén.

**FC Cincinnati:** Evan Newton, Blake Smith, Forrest Lasso, Paddy Barrett, Justin Hoyte, Richie Ryan ©, Michael Lahoud (Corben Bone 61'), Nazmi Albadawi, Emmanuel Ledesma, Russel Cicerone (Jimmy McLaughlin 73') Danni König (Emery Welshman 82'). Bench: Mark Village, Matt Bahner, Sem de Wit, Will Seymore.

Statistics	S	SOG	F	O	CK	Sv	Poss%
North Carolina FC	20	5	11	0	6	4	51.6
FC Cincinnati	12	6	10	3	2	5	48.4

#### Records

North Carolina FC 3-6-2

FC Cincinnati 8-3-2

### GAME 14 | JUNE 13, 2018

Nippert Stadium | Cincinnati, Ohio

Attendance: 22,407

Teams	1H	2H	F
FC Cincinnati	0	2	2
Bethlehem Steel FC	1	1	2

#### Scoring Summary

BST – Derrick Jones (unassisted) 29', Fabian Herbers (Michee Ngalina) 69'

CIN – Nazmi Albadawi (unassisted) 66', Russell Cicerone (Blake Smith) 68'

#### Misconduct Summary

BST – Olivier Mbaizo (caution) 53', Olivier Mbaizo (ejection) 52, Fabian Herbers (caution) 86'  
CIN – Danni König (caution) 87'

**FC Cincinnati:** Evan Newton, Blake Smith, Dekel Keinan © (Forrest Lasso 36'), Sem De Wit, Matt Bahner, Nazmi Albadawi, Kenney Walker, Corben Bone, Russell Cicerone, Jimmy McLaughlin, Emery Welshman (Danni König 64'). Bench: Mark Village, Daniel Haber, Michael Lahoud, Will Seymore, Justin Hoyte.

**Bethlehem Steel FC:** John McCarthy, Olivier Mbaizo, Matthew Mahoney, Brandon Aubrey, Matthew Real, Anthony Fontana (Drew Skundrich 61'), Derrick Jones, James Chambers ©, Santi Moar, Fabian Herbers (Benjamin Ofeimu 90'), Michee Ngalina (Chris Nanco 80'). Bench: Mike Catalano, Jeremy Rafanello, Kristopher Shakes, Prosper Chiluya.

Statistics	S	SOG	F	O	CK	Sv	Poss%
FC Cincinnati	26	10	6	1	12	1	59.0%
Bethlehem Steele FC	10	3	14	0	1	8	41.0%

#### Records

FC Cincinnati 8-3-3

Bethlehem Steele FC 5-5-4



### GAME 15 | JUNE 16, 2018

Nippert Stadium | Cincinnati, Ohio

Attendance: 28,026

Teams	1H	2H	F
FC Cincinnati	2	2	4
Richmond Kickers	0	0	0

#### Scoring Summary

CIN – Emmanuel Ledesma (Danni König) 8', Nazmi Albadawi (Michael Lahoud) 36', Danni König (Justin Hoyte) 60', Emmanuel Ledesma (Justin Hoyte) 67'

RIC – None'

#### Misconduct Summary

CIN – Emery Welshman (caution) 82', Dekel Keinan (caution) 91+'

RIC – Heviel Cordoves (caution) 33', Mekell Williams (caution) 90'

**FC Cincinnati:** Evan Newton, Blake Smith, Dekel Keinan ©, Paddy Barrett, Justin Hoyte, Richie Ryan, Michael Lahoud (Kenney Walker 76'), Corben Bone (Jimmy McLaughlin 83'), Nazmi Albadawi, Emmanuel Ledesma, Danni König (Emery Welshman 69'). Bench: Spencer Richey, Matt Bahner, Forrest Lasso, Russell Cicerone.

**Richmond Kickers:** Richmond Kickers: Travis Worra, Austin Yearwood, Mekell Williams, Conor Shanosky, Alex Lee (William Yomby 69'), Braeden Troyer, Oscar Umar, Raul Gonzalez (Brian Shiver 56'), Yudai Imura (Scott Thomsen 86'), Luiz Fernando, Haviel Cordoves. Bench: Trevor Spangenberg, Neil Hlavaty, Fred Owusu Sekyere, Christopher Osei-Wusu.

Statistics	S	SOG	F	O	CK	Sv	Poss%
FC Cincinnati	16	7	13	4	4	3	58.6
Richmond Kickers	10	3	14	0	2	3	41.2

#### Records

FC Cincinnati 9-3-3

Richmond Kickers 4-8-1

### GAME 16 | JUNE 27, 2018

Lamport Stadium | Toronto, Ontario

Attendance: 288

Teams	1H	2H	F
Toronto FC II	1	2	3
FC Cincinnati	3	0	3

#### Scoring Summary

TOR – Ayo Akinola (Dante Campbell) 28', Robert Boskovic (Ryan Telfer) 70', Jordan Hamilton (Steffen Yeates) 75'

CIN – Nazmi Albadawi (Emmanuel Ledesma) 8', Emery Welshman (Nami Albadawi) 38', Emmanuel Ledesma (Emery Welshman) 40'

#### Misconduct Summary

TOR – Kyle Bjornethun (caution) 45', Dante Campbell (caution) 88'

CIN – None

**Toronto FC II:** Toronto FC II: Borja Angoitia, Robert Boskovic, Dante Campbell, Julian Dunn-Johnson, Kyle Bjornethun (Ryan Telfer 46'), Liam Fraser ©, Gideon Waja (Steffen Yeates 71'), Luca Uccello, Malik Johnson, Jordan Hamilton, Ayo Akinola (Shaan Hundal 78'). Bench: Rimi Olatunji, Rocco Romeo, Noble Okello Ayo, Aiden Daniels.

**FC Cincinnati:** Evan Newton, Blake Smith, Dekel Keinan ©, Paddy Barrett, Matt Bahner, Richie Ryan (Corben Bone 64'), Michael Lahoud, Emmanuel Ledesma, Nazmi Albadawi, Russell Cicerone (Jimmy McLaughlin 83'), Emery Welshman (Danni König 73'). Bench: Spencer Richey, Forrest Lasso, Justin Hoyte, Daniel Haber.

Statistics	S	SOG	F	O	CK	Sv	Poss%
Toronto FC II	15	4	17	0	3	2	53.2%
FC Cincinnati	12	5	11	3	2	1	46.8%

#### Records

Toronto FC II 0-12-3

FC Cincinnati 9-3-4



**GAME 17 | JUNE 30, 2018**  
**Nippert Stadium | Cincinnati, Ohio**  
 Attendance: 27,107

Teams	1H	2H	F
FC Cincinnati	1	1	2
Ottawa Fury FC	0	0	0

**Scoring Summary**

CIN – Danni König (Blake Smith) 16', Nazmi Albadawi (Corben Bone) 92+'  
 OTT – none

**Misconduct Summary**

CIN – Blake Smith (caution) 86'  
 OTT – Kevin Oliveira (caution) 71'

**FC Cincinnati:** Evan Newton, Blake Smith, Dekel Keinan ©, Forrest Lasso, Justin Hoyte, Corben Bone, Kenney Walker (Emery Welshman 69'), Emmanuel Ledesma (Jimmy McLaughlin 78'), Nazmi Albadawi, Michael Lahoud, Danni König (Daniel Haber 94+'). Bench: Will Seymore, Matt Bahner, Paddy Barrett, Spencer Richey.

**Ottawa Fury FC:** Maxime Crepeau, Onua Obasi, Thomas Meilleur-Giguere, Colin Falvey, Eddie Edward, Jamar Dixon, Chris Mannella, Kevin Oliveira, Adonijah Reid (Cristian Portilla 70'), Tony Taylor (Jimmy-Shammar Sanon 82'), Carl Haworth. Bench: Gabriel Wiethaeuper-Balbinotti, Sergio Manesio, Nana Attakora, Kyle Porter, David Monsalve.

Statistics	S	SOG	F	O	CK	Sv	Poss%
FC Cincinnati	11	6	8	2	6	3	56.1
Ottawa Fury	8	3	6	0	5	3	43.9

**Records**

FC Cincinnati 10-3-4  
 Ottawa Fury FC 5-7-3

**GAME 18 | JULY 7, 2018**  
**Nissan Stadium | Nashville, Tenn.**  
 Attendance: 18,288

Teams	1H	2H	F
Nashville SC	0	0	0
FC Cincinnati	0	0	0

**Scoring Summary**

None

**Misconduct Summary**

NAS – Lebo Moloto (caution) 15'  
 CIN – Dekel Keinan (caution) 17'

**Nashville SC:** Matt Pickens, Justin Davis, Liam Doyle, Bradley Bourgeois (London Woodberry 53'), Kosuke Kimura, Matt LaGrassa (Ish Jome 79'), Michael Reed, Bolu Akinyode, Alan Winn (Taylor Washington 72'), Brandon Allan, Lebo Moloto. Bench: Micah Bledsoe, Ropapa Mensah, Ryan James, Tucker Hume.

**FC Cincinnati:** Evan Newton, Blake Smith, Forrest Lasso, Dekel Keinan ©, Justin Hoyte, Michael Lahoud, Kenney Walker, Corben Bone (Russell Cicerone 82'), Nazmi Albadawi, Emmanuel Ledesma (Jimmy McLaughlin 73'), Danni König (Emery Welshman 78'). Bench: Spencer Richey, Will Seymore, Matt Bahner, Paddy Barrett.

Statistics	S	SOG	F	O	CK	Sv	Poss%
Nashville SC	20	3	8	1	4	3	59.0%
FC Cincinnati	11	3	9	4	5	3	41.0%

**Records**

Nashville SC 7-3-6  
 FC Cincinnati 10-3-5



**GAME 19 | JULY 14, 2018**  
**Nippert Stadium | Cincinnati, Ohio**  
 Attendance: 25,416

Teams	1H	2H	F
FC Cincinnati	0	2	2
Tampa Bay Rowdies	0	0	0

**Scoring Summary**

CIN – Emmanuel Ledesma (Corben Bone) 54', Danni König (Emery Welshman) 84'  
 TBR – none

**Misconduct Summary**

CIN – Emmanuel Ledesma (caution) 63'  
 TBR – Junior Flemming (caution) 23'

**FC Cincinnati:** Evan Newton, Blake Smith (Matt Bahner 94+'), Forrest Lasso, Dekel Keinan ©, Justin Hoyte, Michael Lahoud, Kenney Walker, Corben Bone, Nazmi Albadawi (Jimmy McLaughlin 90'), Emmanuel Ledesma (Emery Welshman 84'), Danni König. Bench: Spencer Richey, Will Seymore, Paddy Barrett, Russell Cicerone.

**Tampa Bay Rowdies:** Cody Mizell, Max Lachowecki, Kyle Porter, Tamika Mkandawire, Hunter Gorskie, Joe Cole ©, Afrim Taku (Leo Fernandes 61'), Dom Oduro, Kwadwo Poku (Leon Taylor 71'), Junior Flemmings, Stefano Bonomo (Georgi Hristov 77'). Bench: Akira Fitzgerald, Martin Vinggaard, Michael Nanchoff, Sebastian Guenzatti.

Statistics	S	SOG	F	O	CK	Sv	Poss%
FC Cincinnati	19	4	20	0	10	3	58.1
Tampa Bay Rowdies	10	3	13	0	6	1	41.9

**Records**

FC Cincinnati 11-3-5  
 Tampa Bay Rowdies 6-8-4

**GAME 20 | JULY 18, 2018**  
**Nippert Stadium | Cincinnati, Ohio**  
 Attendance: 25,251

Teams	1H	2H	F
FC Cincinnati	2	0	0
Charlotte Independence	0	0	0

**Scoring Summary**

CIN – Dekel Keinan (unassisted) 7', Forrest Lasso (Kenney Walker) 20'  
 CLT – none

**Misconduct Summary**

CIN – Emmanuel Ledesma (caution) 67', Emery Welshman (caution) 87'  
 CLT – Bilal Duckett (caution) 28', Eamon Zayed (caution) 65', Kay Voser (caution) 87'

**FC Cincinnati:** Evan Newton, Blake Smith, Forrest Lasso, Dekel Keinan, Justin Hoyte, Corben Bone, Michael Lahoud, Jimmy McLaughlin (Russell Cicerone 76'), Kenney Walker, Emmanuel Ledesma (Nazmi Albadawi 90'), Emery Welshman. Bench: Spencer Richey, Paddy Barrett, Matt Bahner, Danni König, Will Seymore.

**Charlotte Independence:** Andrew Dykstra, Donnie Smith, Henry Kalungi, Bilal Duckett (Samuel Vines 81'), Je-Vaughn Watson, Yann Ekra (Eamon Zayed 60'), Kay Voser (Mutaya Mwape 88'), Kevan George, Jake Areman, Jorge Herrera, Cordell Cato. Bench: Brandon Miller, Ricardo Perez, Greg Jordan.

Statistics	S	SOG	F	O	CK	Sv	Poss%
FC Cincinnati	16	5	9	2	9	2	52.0
Charlotte Independence	15	2	8	1	4	3	48.0

**Records**

FC Cincinnati 12-3-5  
 Charlotte Independence 7-7-6



**GAME 21 | JULY 21, 2018**  
**Nippert Stadium | Cincinnati, Ohio**  
Attendance: 27,107

Teams	1H	2H	F
FC Cincinnati	2	0	2
New York Red Bulls II	1	0	1

**Scoring Summary**

CIN – Forrest Lasso (Emmanuel Ledesma) 17', Paddy Barrett (Emmanuel Ledesma) 35'  
NY – Own Goal (Danni König) 25'

**Misconduct Summary**

CIN – Paddy Barrett (caution) 22', Blake Smith (caution) 60'  
NY – Andrew Tinari (caution) 14', Tom Barlow (caution) 53', Lucas Stauffer (caution) 80'

**FC Cincinnati:** Spencer Richey, Blake Smith, Forrest Lasso, Paddy Barrett, Matt Bahner, Kenney Walker ©, Corben Bone (Will Seymore 90'), Nazmi Albadawi, Jimmy McLaughlin, Emmanuel Ledesma (Russell Cicerone 83'), Danni König (Tomi Ameobi 90+1'). Bench: Evan Newton, Sem De Wit, Matt Bahner, Michael Lahoud.

**New York Red Bulls II:** Evan Louro, Lucas Stauffer, Hassan Ndam, Jordan Scarlett (Kevin Politz 40'), Niko De Vera, Cristian Casseres Jr., Steven Echeverria (Christopher Lema 77'), Tom Barlow, Amando Moreno, Andrew Tinari, Jared Stroud (Brian White 65'). Bench: Scott Levene, Jose Aguinaga, Andrew Lombard, Wahab Ackwei.

Statistics	S	SOG	F	O	CK	Sv	Poss%
FC Cincinnati	8	2	18	1	6	3	41.5
New York Red Bulls II	15	3	13	1	5	0	58.5

**Records**

FC Cincinnati 13-3-5  
New York Red Bulls II 8-6-7

**GAME 22 | AUGUST 4, 2018**  
**Nippert Stadium | Cincinnati, Ohio**  
Attendance: 27,426

Teams	1H	2H	F
FC Cincinnati	1	0	1
Nashville SC	0	1	1

**Scoring Summary**

CIN – Danni König (Nazmi Albadawi) 1'  
NSH – Tucker Hume (Ropapa Mensah) 85'

**Misconduct Summary**

CIN – Forrest Lasso (caution) 30', Kenney Walker (caution) 60', Danni König (caution) 71'  
NSH – Ropapa Mensah (caution) 90'+1', Justin Davis (caution) 90'+3'

**FC Cincinnati:** Evan Newton, Blake Smith, Forrest Lasso, Dekel Keinan, Justin Hoyte, Michael Lahoud, Kenney Walker (Tyler Gibson 67'), Corben Bone, Nazmi Albadawi (Jimmy McLaughlin 76'), Emmanuel Ledesma, Danni König (Fanendo Adi 73'). Bench: Spencer Richey, Matt Bahner, Russell Cicerone, Paddy Barrett.

**Nashville SC:** Matt Pickens, Justin Davis, Liam Doyle, London Woodberry, Kosuke Kimura (Ismaila Jome 66'), Taylor Washington, Boluwatife Akinyode, Michael Reed (Lebo Moloto 74'), Matt LaGrassa, Tucker Hume, Alan Winn (Ropapa Mensah 66'). Bench: Brandon Allen, Ryan James, C.J. Cochran, Jordan Dunstan.

Statistics	S	SOG	F	O	CK	Sv	Poss%
FC Cincinnati	4	3	13	0	3	4	47.6
Nashville SC	19	5	7	0	7	2	52.4

**Records**

FC Cincinnati 13-3-6  
Nashville SC 8-6-7



## 2018 PLAYER BIO UPDATES

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### EVAN NEWTON

**Position:** Goalkeeper

**Birthdate:** April 1, 1988

**Hometown:** Virginia Beach, Va.

**Height:** 6-2

**Weight:** 190 lbs.

**Twitter:** @NewtonEvan1

**How Acquired:** Signed with FCC on Jan. 5, 2018 as a free agent

**FCC IN 2018:** Has made 17 starts this season ... is 9-2-6 on the year with an 0.82 goals against average, and seven shutouts ... has made 45 saves on 59 attempts for a .763 save percentage ... started the first five games of the season before missing four USL games with a hip injury: April 28 at OTT, May 2 at IND, May 5 vs. AT and May 12 at CLT ... returned to the roster to travel to Charlotte (May 12) and served as the backup and jumped back into the starting lineup in the May 16 USOC game against Detroit City ... returned to USL action on May 19 against North Carolina FC ... made four saves in the season-opening shutout at Charleston (March 17) ... stopped all six shots at Indy Eleven (March 31), later earning USL Save of the Week and USL Team of the Week honors for a first-half double save ... stopped six shots against Louisville City FC (May 26) ... made five saves and posted the clean sheet at North Carolina FC (June 9) ... stopped all four shots vs. Richmond (June 13) for his fourth shutout of the season ... made all three saves against Ottawa (June 30) for his fifth shutout of the year before repeating with three saves and his sixth shutout at Nashville SC (July 7) in the following game ... posted his third-straight shutout on July 14 against Tampa Bay with three saves ... make it four straight clean sheets with a two-save effort against Charlotte at home (July 18).

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Started and made two saves in 120 minutes in FCC's second-round extra-time win over Detroit City FC (May 16) ... did not dress for FCC's third-round game at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (May 23).

Spent the 2016 and 2017 seasons with Sacramento Republic (USL) after one season with the OKC Energy (USL) in 2015 ... signed with Arizona United (USL Pro) in 2014, making 28 appearances ... spent two seasons with the San Jose Earthquakes (MLS) in 2012 and 2013 ... originally drafted into MLS by the Houston Dynamo in the first round of the 2011 MLS Supplemental Draft ... played collegiately for his hometown Old Dominion University ... left the program as its all-time career leader in saves (254) and shutouts (36) ... earned NSCAA All-South Atlantic Region second-team honors in 2010 as a senior ... backed ODU to three straight NCAA Tournament appearances ... named the 2007 PDL Goalkeeper of the Year after allowing only three goals in 14 games for the Hampton Roads Piranhas.

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### MATT BAHNER

**Position:** Defender

**Birthdate:** March 12, 1990

**Hometown:** Cincinnati, Ohio

**Height:** 6-0

**Weight:** 174

**Twitter:** @Bahnes\_2

**How Acquired:** Signed with FCC on Jan. 16, 2017 as a free agent

**FCC IN 2018:** Has made seven appearances, including six starts ... five of his starts came at right back and one (May 26 vs. Louisville) at left back for the injured Blake Smith ... made his season debut with a 63-minute shift at Bethlehem Steel (April 15) ... played all 90 at Indy Eleven (May 2) and also against Bethlehem Steel at home (June 13) and at Toronto FC II (June 27) ... made his first substitute appearance of the year against Tampa Bay (July 14) ... played 90 minutes for a fourth time against New York Red Bulls II at home (July 21).

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Started and played all three games and 330 minutes at right back of FCC's U.S. Open Cup run ... 120 minutes in the second-round win over Detroit City FC (May 16) and did not commit a foul ... 90 minutes in FCC's third-round game at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (May 23) ... 120 minutes in the fourth-round tie - and loss in PKs - against MLS' Minnesota United FC.

2017 USL Team of the Week honoree ... started in 25 of 27 fixtures in 2017, had two assists ... third on the team with 72 clearances and 126 duels won ... member of the Jacksonville Armada FC from 2015-2016 ... signed first professional contract with the Harrisburg City Islanders, playing there during the 2013 and 2014 seasons ... earned USL All-League First-Team honors in 2014 ... four-year starter at the University of Cincinnati ... 2012 Recipient of the David Decarlo Award for hard work and leadership after missing 2011 season due to injury ... Second Team All-Big East in 2010 ... four-year letter winner at Lakota West High School ... three-time all-Greater Miami Conference selection ... first-team team all-state selection during his senior year ... scored a total of 26 goals and tallied 19 assists during high school.

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### FORREST LASSO

**Position:** Defender

**Birthdate:** May 11, 1993

**Hometown:** Raleigh, N.C.

**Height:** 6-6

**Weight:** 210

**Twitter:** @folasso

**How Acquired:** Signed with FCC on Nov. 20, 2017 as a free agent

**FCC IN 2018:** Has made 18 appearances, including 17 starts at center back ... has scored two goals on the season ... has picked up six yellow cards and sat out the North Carolina FC game on May 19 while serving the one-game yellow-card suspension ... a USL Team of the Week honoree for Week 13 after an 11-clearance, 3-block and 2-interception game at North Carolina (June 9) ... scored his first goal of the season, heading a Kenney Walker free kick in against Charlotte Independence at home (July 18) ... scored for a second consecutive match, heading home a corner from Emmanuel Ledesma against New York Red Bulls II (July 21) ... leads the team with 122 clearances and 24 blocks and has added 27 interceptions ... has won 96-of-125 aerial duels this season, and 126-of-179 duels overall.

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Started and played all 120 minutes at center back in FCC's second-round win over Detroit City FC (May 16) and did not commit a foul, won three fouls and also collected an assist on Emery Welshman's first-half goal ... started and played all 90 minutes at center back in FCC's third-round game at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (May 23).

Joined FCC from the Charleston Battery, where he played from 2015 through 2017 ... was a three-time member of the USL Team of the Week in 2017 and a USL All-League First team honoree ... joined the Battery out of Wofford University where he was a third-team NSCAA All-America selection ... 2014 All-South first-team and All-Southern Conference performer after 2012 and 2013 All-Southern Conference and 2011 Southern Conference All-Freshman Team laurels.





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## TYLER GIBSON

**Position:** Midfielder

**Birthdate:** Jan. 12, 1991

**Hometown:** Knoxville, Tenn.

**Height:** 5-9

**Weight:** 155

**Twitter:** @Tyler10Gibson

**How Acquired:** Signed with FCC on Nov. 21, 2017 as a free agent

**FCC IN 2018:** Has made one appearance this season after suffering a broken leg during preseason training that required surgery ... returned to full training the third week of June ... made FC Cincinnati debut and played 27 minutes as a second-half substitute in international friendly against RCD Espanyol (July 28) ... made first USL appearance and recorded 23 minutes played against Nashville SC (August 4).

Moved to FC Cincinnati from the San Francisco Deltas of the NASL ... was a member of the 2017 NASL Championship roster with San Francisco ... spent the 2016 season with Rayo OKC of the NASL, making the 2016 playoffs ... signed his first pro contract with the San Antonio Scorpions in 2015 ... gained valuable experience for the professional game at UNC Charlotte ... during his senior season, he was named Co-Captain of his team and won the Conference USA championship in 2013. a MAC Hermann Award Watch List member in 2012 and 2013 ... played in the College Cup championship game in 2011 ... earned A-10 Midfielder, Rookie of the Year and Freshman All-America honors in 2010.

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## NAZMI ALBADAWI

**Position:** Midfielder

**Birthdate:** August 24, 1991

**Hometown:** Raleigh, N.C.

**Height:** 5-11

**Weight:** 165

**Twitter:** @NazmiAlbadawi

**How Acquired:** Signed with FCC on Jan. 15, 2018 as a free agent

**FCC IN 2018:** Has appeared in 16 games, including 15 starts in the central midfield ... has scored seven goals and added two assists ... netted a goal in his FCC debut at Charleston (March 15) ... missed three games with a rib injury suffered at Ottawa (April 28): May 2 at Indy, May 5 vs. Atlanta and May 12 at Charlotte ... returned to the USL lineup on May 19, netting the first brace of his USL career, including an 11th-minute swerving right-footed goal to the right Upper 90 and then a left-footed rising shot to the left Upper 90 in the 45th minute; also gained a game-high 10 possessions ... earned USL Team of the Week and USL Goal of the Week honors for his first goal of the game ... netted a goal and had a game-high eight shots against Bethlehem Steel (June 13) ... scored for the second game in a row against Richmond Kickers (June 16), pushing his season total to five ... put FCC on the board in the seventh minute and added his first USL assist at Toronto FC II (June 27) ... netted a goal for the fourth straight game with his 92nd-minute, stoppage-time goal against Ottawa (June 30) ... earned a place on the bench of the Week 16 USL Team of the Week after his two-goal week ... made his first appearance off the bench against Charlotte (July 18) ... recorded an assist on Danni König's fastest goal in club history against Nashville (August 4).

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Started in the central midfield and played 67 minutes against Detroit City FC (May 16) in the second round, his first action since April 21 ... created three chances in the game ... came on as a substitute at the start of the second extra time session against Minnesota United FC (June 6) in the fourth round.

Spent his entire career before joining FCC with USL newcomer North Carolina FC (formerly the NASL's Carolina Railhaws) ... NASL Best XI in 2016 and 2017 ...



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## KENNEY WALKER

**Position:** Midfielder

**Birthdate:** December 23, 1988

**Hometown:** Wickliffe, Ohio

**Height:** 5-9

**Weight:** 170

**Twitter:** @yennek\_reklaw

**How Acquired:** Signed with FCC on Dec. 7, 2015 as a free agent

**FCC IN 2018:** Has appeared in 18 matches, starting 15 ... has netted three goals, which have come on 10 shots (five on target), and has added one assist ... missed two games - April 7 vs. Louisville City and April 15 at Bethlehem Steel - with effects from an early collision at Indy Eleven on April 1 ... scored all of his goals in three successive games ... opened his season account on April 21 against Pittsburgh, tallying the game-tying goal and earning a spot on the bench of the USL Team of the Week ... struck a wonder-strike from 50+ yards - just before midfield - at Ottawa (April 28) which was SportsCenter's No. 1 Play of the Day and then went on to win USL Goal of the Month for April ... converted a penalty at Indy (May 3) as he wore the captain's armband with Dekel Keinan not traveling ... had game-highs with five tackles and shared the team lead in interceptions (3) against North Carolina FC (May 19) ... picked up his first assist of the year, setting up Forrest Lasso's headed free-kick goal against Charlotte (July 18) ... wore the captain's armband against New York Red Bulls II (July 21).

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Did not dress for FCC's opening USOC game against Detroit City FC (May 16) ... appeared as a substitute, playing 15 minutes, in FCC's third-round game at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (May 23) ... started and played all 120 minutes in the fourth-round draw - and loss in PKs - against Minnesota United FC (June 6).

An original member of FC Cincinnati when the club was launched in 2016 ... received his third USL Team of the Week accolade after FCC's 4-3 win at Toronto FC II ... as named the Player of the Week after a goal and two assists against New York Red Bulls II ... recorded an assist against the New York Red Bulls in the semifinal round of the Open Cup ... led the Orange and Blue in assists with seven, added two goals ... in 2017, appeared in 25 matches for FCC, including 24 starts ... played three years with the LA Galaxy from 2012-15 ... helped the club capture three MLS Cup championships ... was the 38th pick overall in the 2012 MLS SuperDraft ... earned four starts and eight appearances in 2014 ... made his MLS debut in 2012 against Houston.

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## RUSSELL CICERONE

**Position:** Forward

**Birthdate:** November 17, 1994

**Hometown:** Bloomfield Hills, Mich.

**Height:** 5-11

**Weight:** 170

**Twitter:** @r\_cicerone7

**How Acquired:** Signed with FCC on Nov. 21, 2017 as a free agent

**FCC IN 2018:** Has made six appearances, including three starts on the right wing ... made his first USL appearance - a start - for Cincinnati at North Carolina FC (June 9), recording a pair of shots ... started his second straight game and netted his first career professional goal against Bethlehem Steel (June 13), one of his seven shots on the night ... also started at Toronto FC II (June 27) ... drew his first substitute appearance at Nashville SC (July 7), almost handing FCC a win in the waning minutes ... played seven minutes in a substitute appearance against



New York Red Bulls II (July 21) ... has been a member of the 18 four other times ... scored FC Cincinnati's first ever goal in an international friendly against RCD Espanyol (July 28).

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Came on as a 60th minute substitute and played 60 minutes against Detroit City FC (May 16), his first action in an FCC uniform ... started and played 90 minutes on the right wing at right back in FCC's third-round game at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (May 23) ... started on the right wing and played 77 minutes against Minnesota United FC (June 6).

Signed his first professional contract with the Portland Timbers 2 in 2017 ... appeared in 29 matches during his rookie campaign, scoring one goal ... drafted in the 3rd round of the 2017 MLS SuperDraft by the Portland Timbers ... played collegiately at Buffalo from 2013-16 ... earned First Team All-MAC 2013-16 ... won the MAC Player of the Year award in 2016 ... MAC Rookie of the Year in 2013.

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## WILL SEYMORE

**Position:** Midfielder  
**Birthdate:** Feb. 29, 1992  
**Hometown:** Colorado Springs, Colo.  
**Height:** 6-1  
**Weight:** 180  
**Twitter:** @WilliamSeesmore  
**How Acquired:** Signed with FCC on Nov. 21, 2017 as a free agent

**FCC IN 2018:** Has made five appearances this year, including one start ... on loan with Reno 1868 FC for the remainder of the 2018 USL regular season ... made his lone start of the season on April 7 vs. Louisville City, seeing 57 minutes of action.

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Started in the central midfield and played all 120 minutes against Detroit City FC (May 16) in the second round ... won four tackles in the game ... started and played all 90 minutes in the central midfield in FCC's third-round game at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (May 23).

Drafted in the third round of the 2015 MLS Super Draft by FC Dallas ... signed his first professional contract with Vancouver Whitecaps 2 in 2015 and played under Alan Koch at WFC2 in 2016 ... attended Oregon State University from 2011-14 ... earned PAC-12 second-team honors during his senior season after honorable mention accolades in 2012 and 2013 ... scored seven goals and added nine assists in 73 games at Oregon State.

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## FANENDO ADI

**Position:** Forward  
**Birthdate:** October 10, 1990  
**Hometown:** Lagos, Nigeria  
**Height:** 6-4  
**Weight:** 185  
**Twitter:** @fanendo  
**How Acquired:** On loan from Portland Timbers (MLS)

**FCC IN 2018:** Has made one appearance on the year ... made FC Cincinnati debut, recorded one shot on goal, and played 17 minutes against Nashville SC (August 4).

**POR (MLS) IN 2018:** Appeared in 14 games and made nine starts ... scored three goals and added two assists ... started the club's season opener and recorded an assist at LA (March 4) ... registered second assist against FC Dallas (March 24) ... started five consecutive games from April 14 through May 19 ... scored first goal of 2018 against Minnesota United FC (April 14) ... tallied for a second consecutive match against NYCFC (April 22) ... scored a goal in his final match with the club as a second-half substitute against Houston (July 28).



**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP (w/ POR):** Started and played 75 minutes in the Round of 16 match against LA ... Recorded the game-winning assist.

Joined FC Cincinnati on loan from the Portland Timbers (MLS) ... made 126 appearances, including 102 starts over five years with Portland (2014-18) ... scored the second-most goals in Timbers history (54) ... added 14 assists ... started all 22 appearances in 2017, contributed ten goals and three assists ... matched a career-high with 33 starts and set a career-high with 30 appearances, tied a career-high with 16 goals and added two assists in 2016 ... set a career-high of 33 appearances with 23 starts, scored a career-high 16 goals and contributed three assists in 2015 ... captured first career MLS Cup ... made 24 appearances, including 24 starts, scored nine goals with four assists in MLS debut season of 2014 ... prior to joining MLS, Adi played for a number of teams in Europe from 2011-14 including FC Copenhagen (2013-14), AS Trenčín (2012-13, 2009-11), SC Tavriya Simferopol (2011-12), FC Dynamo Kyiv (2011), and FC Metalurh Donetsk (2011) ... made two appearances with FC Copenhagen in the Danish Superliga in 2014 ... made a combined 10 league appearances with FC Copenhagen and AS Trenčín and scored a combined 10 goals with two assists in 2013 ... started three UEFA Champions League matches with FC Copenhagen against Juventus, at Real Madrid, and at Galatasaray ... started four Europa League Qualifiers with AS Trenčín and scored three goals ... made a combined 25 appearances, including 17 starts, with AS Trenčín in the Slovak Super Liga and SC Tavriya Simferopol in the Ukrainian Premier League and scored four goals with three assists in 2012 ... made a combined 12 appearances, with seven starts, with Dynamo Kyiv and FC Metalurh Donetsk, both in the Ukrainian Premier League, and scored one goal with one assists in 2011.

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## EMERY WELSHMAN

**Position:** Forward  
**Birthdate:** November 9, 1991  
**Hometown:** Mississauga, Ontario  
**Height:** 5-11  
**Weight:** 180  
**Twitter:** @Esawelsh  
**How Acquired:** Signed with FCC on Jan. 3, 2018 as a free agent

**FCC IN 2018:** Has appeared in 20 games, starting nine at forward ... has scored two goals and added three assists ... scored his first goal of the season at Indy Eleven (March 31), which proved to be the game-winner in the 1-0 victory ... collected his first assist of the season on Nazmi Albadawi's 71st-minute equalizer at Bethlehem Steel (April 15) ... netted a goal and added an assist in a visit to his hometown Toronto FC II (June 27) ... recorded an assist on Danni König's goal against Tampa Bay (July 14) ... registered the Orange and Blue's first ever assist in an international friendly on Russell Cicerone's goal against RCD Espanyol (July 28).

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Started and played all 120 minutes in the second round against Detroit City FC (May 16), factoring in all four goals in the 4-1 extra-time win ... netted FCC's first goal in the first half, then set up Corben Bone's game-winner in the 94th minute before scoring back-to-back goals in the 99th and 110th minutes to complete the hat trick ... started at forward and recorded an assist in 86 minutes FCC's third-round game at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (May 23) ... started and played 98 minutes against Minnesota United FC (June 6).

Joined FCC after playing the 2017 season with Puerto Rico FC in the NASL ... a member of Real Salt Lake in 2016, but was injured much of the year save for a few appearances for the Real Monarchs (USL) ... had a breakout season with the Real Monarchs in 2015 leading the team in scoring with seven goals and two assists ... spent the 2014 season with Ligue 1 Ontario side Sigma FC scoring 16 goals in 18 appearances ... drafted 16th overall in the 2013 MLS draft by Toronto FC ... attended Oregon State for two seasons from 2011-12 ... a two-time All-Pac 12 first team member ... began his college career at Siena where he earned MAAC offensive player of the year and MAAC first-team honors during his freshman and sophomore seasons.





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**DANNI KÖNIG**

**Position:** Forward  
**Birthdate:** December 17, 1986  
**Hometown:** Tingbjerg, Denmark  
**Height:** 6-2  
**Weight:** 170  
**Twitter:** @KingKönig9  
**How Acquired:** Traded to FCC on May 10, 2017 from OKC Energy FC (USL) in exchange for Andy Craven

**FCC IN 2018:** Has appeared in 20 games, starting 13 ... leads the club with 10 goals on just 15 shots on target and has added one assist ... his first goal of the year also came in his first start of the year against Pittsburgh (April 21) ... also drew a starting nod at Ottawa, playing 89 minutes ... netted his second goal of the season, converting a 2-on-1 break-in against Atlanta (May 5) to open FCC's scoring ... at Charlotte (May 12), for the second straight game, received a pass from Emmanuel Ledesma and converted for his third of the season ... yet again, collected a Ledesma set-up for a goal against North Carolina (May 19) ... tied the club's career goal-scoring marks - both USL and all-competitions - with his game-winning strike at New York Red Bulls II (June 2) ... secured the club's career goals record (17) as his own with his sixth of the season - another game-winner - at North Carolina FC (June 9) ... notched his seventh of the season against Richmond (June 16) ... put FCC up in the 16th minute against Ottawa (June 30) with what proved to be the game-winning goal ... netted his ninth goal of the year on July 14 vs. Tampa Bay Rowdies ... recorded the fastest goal in club history by tallying 28 seconds into the match against Nashville (August 4).

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Did not dress for any of FCC's three Open Cup games.

After being traded to FCC, saw action in five of six US Open Cup matches, recording an assist ... earned 13 starts and 23 appearances for the Orange and Blue in 2017 ... recorded the second-most goals on the team (11) - including three GWGs - and a lone assist for 23 points ... König was in his third season with Energy FC and had seen action in four matches before being traded to FCC on May 19 ... in 2016, scored four goals in 30 games to tie for the team-high last year ... was a USL MVP finalist in 2015 after scoring 21 goals (USL single-season record) and adding five assists for OKC in his debut season ... finished second in the 2015 Golden Boot race behind Louisville City FC's Matt Fondy ... played for Vestsjaelland during the 2013-14 season and was loaned to Brönshöj BK during that same season ... in 50 appearances with Vestsjaelland, he scored eight goals and four assists.

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**PA KONATE**

**Position:** Defender  
**Birthdate:** April 25, 1994  
**Hometown:** Malmö, Sweden  
**Height:** 5-10  
**Weight:** 155  
**Twitter:** @KonateP  
**How Acquired:** On loan from S.P.A.L. (Serie A) for one year with a purchase option.

**FCC IN 2018:** Has not yet made an appearance.

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Was not on roster for U.S. Open Cup.

Joined FC Cincinnati on loan from S.P.A.L. (Serie A) ... captured four Allsvenskan titles with Malmö FF (2013, 2014, 2016, 2017) ... appeared in six UEFA Champions League games in 2014-15 and 2015-16 - including matches against Juventus, Atletico Madrid, Olympiacos, Shakhtar Donetsk and Paris Saint-Germain ... appeared in three of Malmö's 2014-15 and 2017-18 UEFA Champions League Qualifiers ... started twice for S.P.A.L. in the 2017 Coppa Italia ... appeared in 55 Allsvenskan matches with Malmö FF from 2013-17 ... made seven league appearances with Malmö in 2017 ... Made a career-high 22 league appearances in 2016 ... Appeared in 10 league matches in 2015 ... Made 11 league appearances in 2014 ... Recorded five appearances in 2013.



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**MICHAEL LAHOUD**

**Position:** Midfielder  
**Birthdate:** September 15, 1986  
**Hometown:** Freetown, Sierra Leone  
**Height:** 5-8  
**Weight:** 162  
**Twitter:** @MikeLahoud  
**How Acquired:** Signed with FCC on April 18, 2018 as a free agent

**FCC IN 2018:** Signed with Cincy on April 18 ... has made 14 appearances, including 11 starts in the central midfield ... made his Orange & Blue debut with a 90-minute run out at Indy Eleven (May 3) and recorded an assist on Corben Bone's second-half game-winning goal ... came on for a 19-minute shift against Atlanta (May 5) ... started as the deep-lying midfielder against Ottawa (June 30) and completed 66-of-68 passes for a 97.1 percent mark for the game ... his 88.9 passing percentage is the team's highest mark, regardless of number of games played

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Started and played 120 minutes in the central midfield against Detroit City FC (May 16) in the second round ... posted a 91.4 passing rate on a team-high 93 passes ... started and captained the team in FCC's 3-1 third-round win at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (May 23) ... started and played all 120 minutes in the central midfield against Minnesota United FC (June 6), and also converted the team's only penalty in penalties.

Played at the NASL's Miami FC for two seasons (2016-17) ... a two-time NASL Team of the Week honoree in 2017 ... helped Miami FC win the NASL Spring Season championship ... in 2017, appeared in 30 matches (29 starts) and playing 2,645 minutes ... the 2016 NASL Humanitarian of the Year ... played 1,872 minutes in 21 starts in 2016 ... played four seasons with the Philadelphia Union (MLS), making 58 appearances ... originally drafted ninth overall by Chivas USA in the 2009 MLS SuperDraft ... appeared in 64 matches with the Goats, making 46 starts ... a four-year starter at Wake Forest, and helped Wake win the 2007 NCAA Championship ... finished his collegiate career with 14 goals and 20 assists.

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**LANCE LAING**

**Position:** Defender/Midfielder  
**Birthdate:** February 28, 1988  
**Hometown:** Trelawny Parish, Jamaica  
**Height:** 6-1  
**Weight:** 185  
**Twitter:** @wone\_laing7  
**How Acquired:** Signed with FCC on Dec. 19, 2017 as a free agent

**FCC IN 2018:** Has appeared in six games, making four starts ... has split time between left wing and left back ... started the first three games of the season at left midfield ... started at left back against Pittsburgh (April 21) ... has won all five of his tackles so far this season ... missed six games (June 2 - June 30) with a knee sprain, but is now medically cleared for game day selection.

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Started at left back and played 85 minutes in the second round against Detroit City FC (May 16) with a 92.5 percent passing rate ... started and played 89 minutes at left back in FCC's third-round game at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (May 23), also netting the game-winning goal on a free kick from 30 yards in the second half.

A member of the Jamaica National Team, where he's earned 12 caps ... was a member of Jamaica's 2015 Copa America and Gold Cup rosters ... featured in all three group stage matches in the 2015 Copa America ... joined FC Cincinnati from North Carolina FC (formerly NASL's Carolina RailHawks) where he spent 2017 ... a three-time NASL Best XI honoree, including 2017 ... spent one season with Minnesota United in 2016 ... played three seasons with Edmonton FC (2013-15) ...



began his pro career in the U.S. with the Ft. Lauderdale Strikers (2011-12) ... made more than 150 career NASL appearances ... played for Harbour View and Village United in Jamaica before coming to the U.S.

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## RICHIE RYAN

**Position:** Midfielder

**Birthdate:** Jan. 6, 1985

**Hometown:** Tipperary, Ireland

**Height:** 5-10

**Weight:** 164

**Twitter:** @richieryan20

**How Acquired:** Joined FCC on Feb. 18, 2018 via transfer from Miami FC (NASL)

**FCC IN 2018:** Has started all 14 matches in which he played ... did not suit up at Indy Eleven (May 3) because of fixture congestion ... leads the team in passes (854), passes per 90 minutes (62.37) and interceptions (46) ... left the Toronto FC II game (June 27) in the 64th minute with a lower leg injury after a second-half tackle and has missed the last six games (June 30 to present).

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Did not dress for any of FCC's three Open Cup games.

Came to FC Cincinnati from Miami FC (NASL) ... made 42 appearances for Miami FC over two seasons, helping the club win the 2017 Spring Season Title and advance to the NASL semifinals ... in 2016, Miami FC paid a record \$750,000 transfer fee to the Jacksonville Armada to acquire Ryan ... originally moved to North America in 2014 when he signed with Ottawa Fury and played two seasons in Ottawa ... played one season in his native Ireland with Shamrock Rovers after suiting up for Scotland's Dundee United in 2012 and 2013 ... between 2008 and 2011, made 111 appearances for Ireland's Sligo Rovers ... played two seasons for Belgium's Royal Antwerp FC before seeing time with England's Boston United ... before his permanent transfer to Scunthorpe in 2005, began his professional career with Sunderland in 2003.

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## MARK VILLAGE

**Position:** Goalkeeper

**Birthdate:** November 25, 1991

**Hometown:** Abbotsford, British Columbia

**Height:** 6-1

**Weight:** 185

**Twitter:** @\_smalltown

**How Acquired:** Signed with FCC on November 21, 2017 as a free agent

**FCC IN 2018:** Has not made a USL appearance this season, but served as Spencer Richey's backup in three games (April 28 - May 5) and Evan Newton's twice (June 9-13) ... made FC Cincinnati debut and played 27 minutes as a second-half substitute in international friendly against RCD Espanyol (July 28).

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Did not dress for FCC's opening USOC game against Detroit City FC (May 16), but backed up Spencer Richey at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (May 23) in the third round.

Joined FCC after three seasons with Vancouver Whitecaps FC 2, where he first played under Alan Koch ... earned USL Save of the Month in October 2017 ... played collegiately at Canada's Fraser Valley ... a Canada West Second-Team All-Star in 2012-13 ... was the team's MVP award for the same season.

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## SPENCER RICHEY

**Position:** Goalkeeper

**Birthdate:** May 30, 1992

**Hometown:** Seattle, Wash.

**Height:** 6-2

**Weight:** 194

**Twitter:** @spencerichey18

**How Acquired:** On loan from Vancouver Whitecaps FC (MLS)

**FCC IN 2018:** Has started five matches, four of which were consecutive starts from April 28 at Ottawa through May 12 at Charlotte ... is 4-1-0 on the season with a .550 save percentage and a 1.80 GAA with one shutout ... stopped all three shots in a 3-0 win at Ottawa in his FCC debut on April 28 ... made four saves at Indy Eleven (May 3) ... made three saves against New York Red Bulls II (July 21).

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Dressed and backed up Evan Newton in the second round against Detroit City FC (May 16) ... earned the win with a four-save effort in the third round at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (May 23) ... made four saves in the fourth-round draw against Minnesota United FC (June 6), and also made one save in penalties before falling 3-1.

Joined FCC on loan from MLS side Vancouver Whitecaps FC in late November 2017 ... drafted by VWFC in the third round - 61st overall - in the 2015 MLS Super-Draft and then signed with the club ... played two seasons for WFC 2 under Alan Koch, and also saw action during the Whitecaps' 2016-17 CONCACAF Champions League run ... moved up to the MLS squad for the 2017 season and split time between Whitecaps FC and WFC 2 ... participated in a 2009 U.S. National Team Under-20 camp after making the 2009 U.S. Under-17 World Cup roster for the tournament in Nigeria ... played collegiate soccer at Washington ... started 17 games as a senior after breaking his leg during his junior campaign ... was a first-team All-Pac 12 honoree in 2012 after posting an 0.46 GAA.

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## CORBEN BONE

**Position:** Midfielder

**Birthdate:** September 16, 1988

**Hometown:** Plano, Texas

**Height:** 5-10

**Weight:** 150

**Twitter:** @corbenbone

**How Acquired:** Signed with FCC on Dec. 7, 2015 as a free agent

**FCC IN 2018:** Has appeared in all 22 games, starting 20, and leads the team in minutes played (1,783) ... has scored three goals (a new career high) and has added four assists ... has not been shown a card yet this season and committed just four fouls ... recorded his first assist of the season against Pittsburgh (April 21), setting up Danni König's second-half goal to first level the score at 1-1 ... netted his first goal of the season in the following game, a 3-0 win at Ottawa (April 28) ... set up Jimmy McLaughlin's game-tying goal just before the interval and then scored the game-winning goal in the 54th minute at Indy Eleven (May 2) ... tallied FCC's final goal of the game against Atlanta United 2 (May 5) ... earned USL Team of the Week honors for his play in two games in Week 8 (April 30-May 6) ... picked up his fourth assist of the season on Emmanuel Ledesma's game-winning goal against Tampa Bay Rowdies (July 14).

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Came on as a 67th minute substitute against Detroit City FC (May 16) in the second round, scoring the game-winning goal in the 94th minute -- part of his three shots (2 SOG) in the game ... did not dress for the third-round game at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (May 23) ... started and played 105 minutes in the central midfield against Minnesota United FC (June 6).

In 2017, scored two goals and added three assists in 28 appearances, including







the GWG at New York Red Bulls II to earn USL Team of the Week honors ... also netted against NYRB (MLS) in the semifinals of the 2017 U.S. Open Cup ... was Cincy's team MVP in their inaugural season in 2016 after two selections to the USL Team of the Week ... played the 2015 season with the Wilmington Hammerheads (USL) ... a first-round selection (13th overall) by Chicago in the 2010 MLS Super-Draft and played four seasons with the Fire (2010-13) ... selected in Stage 1 of the 2013 MLS Re-Entry Draft by the Philadelphia Union, then signed with the club making two appearances in 2014 around a loan stint with Wilmington.

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## JIMMY McLAUGHLIN

**Position:** Midfielder  
**Birthdate:** April 30, 1993  
**Hometown:** Malvern, Pa.  
**Height:** 5-8  
**Weight:** 150  
**Twitter:** @j\_mclaughliniii  
**How Acquired:** Signed with FCC on Dec. 7, 2015 as a free agent

**FCC IN 2018:** Has appeared in 18 games, making six starts for a total of 669 minutes ... has scored two goals on nine shots this season ... netted the game-tying goal just before the break at Indy (May 3), setting up FCC's second-half win ... added an unassisted insurance goal at North Carolina FC (June 9) ... registered the assist on Emmanuel Ledesma's goal in the international friendly against RCD Espanyol (July 28).

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Started and played all 120 minutes in the second round against Detroit City FC (May 16), picking up an assist on Emery Welshman's final goal to make it 4-1 ... had a game-high seven shots and four chances created ... started and played 90 minutes at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (May 23), scoring the team's first goal in the 3-1 win while creating two chances ... started and played all 120 minutes against Minnesota United FC (June 6).

Appeared in 31-of-32 of FCC's regular-season matches in 2017, playing 2,400 minutes ... scored five goals and added three assists for 13 points ... a three-time member of the USL Team of the Week in 2017 ... also saw action in four Open Cup matches ... in 2016, earned three spots on various USL Teams of the Week ... in 2011, was the Philadelphia Union's second-ever Homegrown signee and made his MLS debut on Oct. 24, 2012 against Sporting KC ... loaned to Harrisburg City Islanders (USL) for short spells in 2012 and 2013 until he spent the full 2014 campaign on loan in Harrisburg ... in 2015, he was again loaned sparingly to Harrisburg ... signed with Cincinnati as an original player in November 2015

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## DEKEL KEINAN

**Position:** Defender  
**Birthdate:** September 15, 1984  
**Hometown:** Rosh HaNikra, Israel  
**Height:** 6-1  
**Weight:** 179  
**Twitter:** @dekelkeinan  
**How Acquired:** Signed with FCC on November 10, 2017 as a free agent

**FCC IN 2018:** FCC club captain ... has started all 18 games in which he's appeared ... has scored one goal ... has played the full 90 in 17 contests, leaving the Bethlehem Steel (June 13) game in the 36th minute with a groin injury ... did not travel with the club to Indy Eleven (May 3) because of squad rotation and fixture congestion ... has been shown seven yellow cards so far this season ... has made 104 clearances this season, 22 blocks and added 31 interceptions ... has won 65-of-95 aerial duels so far this season ... earned USL Team of the Week honors after the Pittsburgh game (April 21) ... missed the June 2 game at New York Red Bulls II while serving a one-game yellow-card accumulation suspension ... scored his first goal of the season on July 18 against Charlotte.



**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Did not dress for FCC's first two USOC matches: the second-round game against Detroit City FC (May 16) or the third-round game at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (May 23) ... started and played all 120 minutes at center back against Minnesota United FC (June 6) in the fourth round and led the team with eight clearances, four interceptions and two blocks.

A former member of the Israel National Team (2007-13), earning 27 caps ... made six appearances during Israel's 2010 World Cup Qualifying cycle ... also played for Israel's Under-21 and Under-23 national teams ... came to FCC after a long tenure with Maccabi Haifa (2002-10 and (2-12-17) ... after beginning his professional career with Maccabi Haifa in 2002 -where he made 136 appearances with six goals - spent the 2004-05 season with Bnei Sakhniin and the 2005-06 campaign with Maccabi Netanya ... resigned with Maccabi Haifa in 2012 and stayed until 2017 ... between stints with Maccabi, moved to EPL side Blackpool for the 2010-11 season ... signed with Cardiff City for the 2011-12 campaign and saw loan spells with Crystal Palace and Bristol City during the year ... played 11 games during Haifa's 2009-10 UEFA Champions League run.

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## BLAKE SMITH

**Position:** Defender  
**Birthdate:** January 17, 1991  
**Hometown:** Boerne, Texas  
**Height:** 5-9  
**Weight:** 150  
**Twitter:** @Besmith\_2  
**How Acquired:** Signed by FCC on Feb. 5, 2018 as a free agent

**FCC IN 2018:** Has started all 19 of his appearances at left back ... leads all Orange and Blue defenders with 1,644 minutes played ... has missed three games with two ankle injuries ... has netted one goal and added four assists - tied for second-most on the team and tied for 21st in the USL - and is the club's highest-scoring defender ... netted the game's only goal in the season opener at Charleston (March 17) ... collected his first assist of the season with the set-up of Emmanuel Ledesma's first goal against Atlanta (May 5) ... missed the May 26 game vs. Louisville with an ankle injury ... recorded an assist on Ledesma's game-tying goal at New York Red Bulls II (June 2) ... set up Russell Cicerone's first-career goal on June 13 against Bethlehem Steel ... has an 81.3 percent passing rate ... on the back line, has added 33 clearances, two blocks and 41 interceptions - second most on the team ... additionally, he's won 99-of-168 duels overall and 31-of-51 aerial duels despite standing just 5-foot-9.

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Came on as an 85th minute substitute at left back and played the final 35 minutes in the 4-1, extra time win over Detroit City FC (May 16) in the second round ... played 1 minute as a left-back sub at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (May 23) in the third round ... started and played all 120 minutes against Minnesota United FC (June 6).

Joined FCC from NASL side Miami FC ... earned four NASL Team of the Week honors in 2017 ... recorded five assists in both 2016 and 2017 ... spent the 2015 season with Swiss side Yverdon Sport FC, making 14 appearances ... drafted by the Montreal Impact in the first round (eighth overall) in the 2013 MLS SuperDraft ... made 16 appearances as a rookie in 2013 before spending the 2014 campaign on loan to Indy Eleven (NASL) ... played collegiately at New Mexico from 2009-12 ... an NSCAA All-Far West Region performer and an All-Mountain Pacific Sports Federation first-team honoree in 2012.



## TOMI AMEOBI

**Position:** Forward  
**Birthdate:** August 16, 1988  
**Hometown:** Newcastle upon Tyne, England  
**Height:** 6-3  
**Weight:** 185  
**How Acquired:** Signed with FCC on February 21, 2018 as a free agent

**FCC IN 2018:** Has made three appearances, all as a substitute ... missed the first six games of the season with injury ... made his 2018 debut at Indy Eleven (May 2) with a four-minute stint before a 6-minute run-out at Charlotte (May 12) ... entered as a second-half stoppage time substitute against New York Red Bulls II (July 21).

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Did not dress for FCC's opening USOC game against Detroit City FC (May 16) ... played four substitute minutes in FCC's third-round game at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (May 23) ... came on an extra time substitute in the fourth round against Minnesota United FC (June 6), playing 22 minutes at forward.

Played four seasons with the NASL's Edmonton FC from 2013-17 ... finished the 2017 season with six goals and two assists in 24 matches ... spent the majority of 2013 with VPS of the Finnish Premier Division scoring nine goals in 30 appearances ... before moving to Finland, Ameobi spent two seasons in Iceland. He spent 2012 with Grindavik and 2011 with BÍ/Bolungarvík, tallying 12 goals in 47 appearances for the two clubs ... played for multiple clubs in England from 2007-2011, playing for Whitley Bay (2010-2011), Forrester Green Rovers (2009-2010), Mansfield Town (2009), Gribsey Town (2008), Doncaster Rovers (2008-2009), and Scunthorpe United (2007-2008) ... signed his first professional contract with Leeds United of the English Championship in 2007 ... joined the Leeds United FC Academy in 2005, signing his first pro contract in 2007 ... prior to Leeds United, Ameobi spent three seasons with the Newcastle United academy from 2003-2005.



## FATAI ALASHE

**Position:** Midfielder  
**Birthdate:** October 21, 1993  
**Hometown:** Northville, Mich.  
**Height:** 6-0  
**Weight:** 170  
**Twitter:** @FataiPrince27  
**How Acquired:** On loan from Vancouver Whitecaps FC (MLS)

**FCC IN 2018:** Has not yet made an appearance.

**SJ (MLS) IN 2018:** Appeared in 12 games and made two starts for a total of 353 minutes ... Made first appearance of the year as a second-half substitute against Minnesota United FC (March 3) ... Made first start of the year against Houston (April 14) ... Played 27 minutes in a substitute appearance at Minnesota United FC (May 12) ... Began a streak of five consecutive appearances and made longest substitute appearance of the season at Chicago (June 2) ... Started and played 89 minutes vs. LA (June 30) ... Made final appearance with the Earthquakes at Montreal, logging four minutes of action (July 14).

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP (w/ SJ):** Started at defensive midfield and played all 90 minutes against the Portland Timbers (June 6) in the fourth round.

Joined FC Cincinnati on loan from the San Jose Earthquakes (MLS) ... Made 17 appearances and 13 starts with San Jose, and two appearances on loan with Reno 1868 in 2017 ... Made 28 appearances and 27 starts for second consecutive year and added three goals and an assist in 2016 ... Logged a career high 2,335 minutes played ... Was named to MLS 24 under 24 list (#19), presented by EA Sports ... Made 28 appearances and 27 starts and contributed a pair of goals and a pair of assists as a rookie in 2015.



## PADDY BARRETT

**Position:** Defender  
**Birthdate:** July 22, 1993  
**Hometown:** Waterford, Ireland  
**Height:** 6-0  
**Weight:** 198  
**Twitter:** @PaddyBarrett42  
**How Acquired:** Signed with FCC on November 18, 2017 as a free agent

**FCC IN 2018:** Has started all eight of his USL appearances this season at center back ... has scored one goal ... at Indy Eleven (May 3) made seven clearances and added one block ... had an 87.7 percent passing rate and added three clearances and one interception against NCFC (May 19), which came after he played a full 120 minutes earlier in the week in Open Cup play ... scored first goal as an FC Cincinnati player against New York Red Bulls II (July 21) ... has added 32 clearances, four blocks and 18 interceptions in 720 minutes.

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Started at center back and played all 120 minutes against Detroit City FC (May 16) in the second round ... had six shots and a team-high 111 touches in the win ... did not dress for the third-round game at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (May 23).

Most recently played for Ireland's Dundalk FC from 2014 through 2017 ... during the 2016-2017 season, played in a Europa League playoff match, part of his career-high 16 appearances in 2016 ... competed in Dundalk's UEFA Champions League Qualifiers in both 2015 and 2016 ... transferred to Dundalk from Galway United FC where he played one season ... began his professional career with Scotland's Dundee United FC.



## JUSTIN HOYTE

**Position:** Defender  
**Birthdate:** November 20, 1984  
**Hometown:** London, England  
**Height:** 5-10  
**Weight:** 165  
**Twitter:** @justinhoyte84  
**How Acquired:** Signed with FCC on March 29, 2017 as a free agent

**FCC IN 2018:** Has started all 18 matches in which he's played, seeing most of his time at right back, but also making three starts at left back ... his 1,620 minutes are second along the back line and fourth-most on the team ... played right back for the first three games of the season, before playing on the left in the next three games ... did not travel to Indy (May 3) as part of squad rotation and fixture congestion ... returned to the right side against Atlanta (May 5), where he has played since ... has registered 35 clearances, seven blocks and 13 interceptions ... has committed just four fouls on the season, and has drawn only a single caution.

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Did not dress for any of FCC's three games: second round vs. Detroit City FC (May 16), third-round game at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (May 23) or fourth round vs. Minnesota United FC (June 6).

In 2017, earned USL Team of the Week honors in Week 12 and started 16 of the 19 matches in which he played ... scored two goals, including the game-winning goal against Toronto FC II in the regular-season finale ... originally began his professional career with Arsenal (EPL), where he spent six seasons (2002-08) ... won the FA Youth Cup in 2001 with Arsenal during his nine-year stint with the Arsenal Academy ... spent the 2005-06 season on loan to Sunderland, where he made 27 appearances and scored one goal ... moved to Middlesbrough in 2008 for five seasons - adding two goals and nine assists in 162 games, including a loan spell to Millwall during the 2013-14 campaign ... made the permanent move to Millwall



for the 2014-15 season and then spent the 2015-16 season with Dagenham & Redbridge of the National League ... earned 18 caps with Trinidad & Tobago between 2013 and 2016 ... originally played for England's youth national teams, including 18 caps with the Under-21 squad, including four caps at the 2007 UEFA Under-21 Championship.

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## EMMANUEL LEDESMA

**Position:** Midfielder

**Birthdate:** May 24, 1988

**Hometown:** Quilmes, Argentina

**Height:** 6-0

**Weight:** 161

**Twitter:** @LedeManu18

**How Acquired:** Signed with FCC on Jan. 4, 2018 as transfer

**FCC IN 2018:** The frontrunner for the USL's 2018 Most Valuable Player Award ... voted the USL Midseason MVP by the league's fans, garnering 55 percent of the vote among five candidates ... has appeared in all 21 games for which he's been available, starting 20 ... leads the team in scoring, ranking second among FC Cincinnati goal scorers (9) and holding the assist lead (10) ... is tied for 11th in the USL in goals and holds the league lead in assists ... leads the team in shots (47) and key passes (41) ... started the first six games of the year before coming off the bench at Indy Eleven (May 2) ... started the season on the left flank before moving higher up as a withdrawn forward the last 10 games he's played ... after a four-goal, one-assist month in which he added 16 key passes, was voted June's USL Player of the Month as FCC went 4-0-2 in the month ... picked up his first FCC point at Indy Eleven (March 31), setting up Emery Welshman's game-winning goal in the 1-0 win ... assisted on Corben Bone's insurance goal and then scoring FCC's third and final goal at Ottawa (April 28), earning USL Team of the Week honors ... came off the bench at Indy Eleven (May 2) as part of squad rotation ... returned to the starting lineup against Atlanta (May 5), scoring a USL-career high two goals and adding an assist ... later picked up USL Team of the Week honors for Week 8 (April 30-May 6) ... collected an assist at Charlotte (May 12), setting up FCC's lone goal by Danni König ... factored in all four goals in FCC's 4-1 win over North Carolina (May 19), recorded a career-high three assists and converting a penalty attempt ... earned USL Team of the Week honors for the third time this season in Week 10, also copping USL Player of the Week honors for his play against North Carolina ... netted the game-tying goal at New York Red Bulls II (June 2), setting up the club's road win just minutes later ... picked up his fifth yellow card of the season at North Carolina FC (June 9) and missed the Bethlehem Steel FC game (June 13) ... netted a brace against Richmond Kickers (June 16), earning his fifth USL Team of the Week nod of the season in Week 14, as well as the USL Goal of the Week ... again factored in multiple goals (with a goal and an assist) at Toronto FC II (June 27) ... netted the game-winning goal against Tampa Bay Rowdies (July 14) ... recorded a multi-assist performance, tallying two helpers against New York Red Bulls II (July 21) ... scored in the international friendly against RCD Espanyol (July 28).

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Did not dress for any of FCC's three games: second round vs. Detroit City FC (May 16), third-round game at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (May 23) or fourth round vs. Minnesota United FC (June 6).

Joined FCC after playing the 2017 season with the New York Cosmos (NASL) ... came to the U.S. from Greece's Super League side Panetolikos in 2016 ... played three seasons with Middlesbrough (2012-15) in the English Championship ... made 56 appearances and scored eight goals with 'Boro ... signed his first professional contract with Italian Serie A's Genoa in 2008 ... saw time on loan to Queens Park Rangers, U.S. Salernitana and FC Crotone during the 2009 and 2010 seasons before a later successful stint at Walsall FC in England's League 1 helped his move to 'Boro.

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## SEM DE WIT

**Position:** Defender

**Birthdate:** March 30, 1995

**Hometown:** Harderwijk, Netherlands

**Height:** 6-1

**Weight:** 168

**Twitter:** @semde Wit4

**How Acquired:** Signed with FCC on July 10, 2017

**FCC IN 2018:** Made his 2018 debut with a starting shift at center back against Bethlehem Steel (June 13), playing all 90 minutes

**2018 U.S. OPEN CUP:** Did not dress for FCC's opening USOC game against Detroit City FC (May 16) ... started at center back, making his season debut, in the third-round game at Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (May 23), playing all 90 minutes ... started at center back and played all 120 minutes against Minnesota United FC (June 6), taking one of the team's four penalty attempts.

In 2017, made nine starts in 10 appearances with FCC after signing with Cincinnati in July from Vancouver Whitecaps FC 2 ... tallied his first FCC goal against Ottawa ... was the Whitecaps FC 2's player of the year in 2016 ... spent four seasons in The Netherlands between 2012 and 2016 ... started his professional career with Almere City, making 27 appearances before moving to FC Dordrecht in 2014 ... signed with ADO Den Haag in 2014 and spent parts of 2014 on loan back to Dordrecht and 2015 to Fortuna Sittard.







## 2018 FC CINCINNATI ROSTER

No.	Name	Pronunciation	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Birthday	Hometown	Last Club
1	Evan Newton		GK	6-2	190	4/1/1988	Virginia Beach, Va.	Sacramento Republic (USL)
2	Matt Bahner	BAY-ner	D	6-0	175	3/12/1990	Cincinnati, Ohio	Jacksonville Armada FC (NASL)
3	Forrest Lasso	LASS-oh	D	6-6	210	5/11/1993	Raleigh, N.C.	Charleston Battery (USL)
4	Tyler Gibson		M	5-9	155	1/12/1991	Knoxville, Tenn.	San Francisco Deltas (NASL)
5	Nazmi Albadawi	NAHZ-me al-bah-DAH-see	M	5-11	167	8/24/1991	Raleigh, N.C.	North Carolina FC (NASL)
6	Kenney Walker		M	5-9	170	12/23/1988	Wickliffe, Ohio	LA Galaxy (MLS)
7	Russell Cicerone	sis-er-RONE-ee	F	5-11	170	11/17/1994	Detroit, Mich.	Portland Timbers 2 (USL)
8	Will Seymore		M	6-1	180	2/29/1992	Colorado Springs, Colo.	Whitecaps FC 2 (USL)
9	Fanendo Adi	fah-NEN-doh AHH-dee	F	6-4	185	10/10/1990	Lagos, Nigeria	Portland Timbers (MLS)
10	Emery Welshman		F	5-11	180	11/9/1991	Mississauga, Ontario	Puerto Rico FC (NASL)
11	Danni König	KOO-neg	F	6-2	170	12/17/1986	Tingbjerg, Denmark	OKC Energy FC (USL)
12	Pa Konate	PAH koh-NAH-tay	D	5-9	155	4/25/1994	Malmö, Sweden	S.P.A.L. (ITA)
13	Michael Lahoud	la-HUDE	M	5-8	162	9/15/1986	Freetown, Sierra Leone	Miami FC (NASL)
14	Lance Laing	LANG	D/M	6-1	185	2/28/1988	Trelawny Parish, Jamaica	North Carolina FC (NASL)
16	Richie Ryan		M	5-10	164	1/6/1985	Tipperary, Ireland	Miami FC (NASL)
17	Mark Village		GK	6-2	185	11/25/1991	Abbotsford, British Columbia	Whitecaps FC 2 (USL)
18	Spencer Richey		GK	6-1	194	5/30/1992	Seattle, Wash.	Vancouver Whitecaps FC (MLS)
19	Corben Bone		M	5-9	150	9/16/1988	Plano, Texas	Wilmington Hammerheads (USL)
20	Jimmy McLaughlin	muh-GLOCK-lin	M	5-8	150	4/30/1993	Malvern, Pa.	Philadelphia Union (MLS)
21	Dekel Keinan	DEH-kell kay-NAHN	D	6-1	179	9/15/1984	Rosh HaNikira, Israel	Maccabi Haifa (ISR)
23	Blake Smith		D	5-9	150	1/17/1991	Boerne, Texas	Miami FC (NASL)
24	Tomie Ameobi	TOE-me ah-me-OH-be	F	6-3	185	8/16/1988	Newcastle upon Tyne, England	Edmonton FC (NASL)
27	Fatai Alashe	fuh-TIE uh-LAH-shay	M	6-0	170	10/21/1993	Northville, Mich.	San Jose Earthquakes (MLS)
29	Paddy Barrett		D	6-0	198	7/22/1993	Waterford, Ireland	Dundalk FC (IRL)
32	Justin Hoyte	HOYT	D	5-10	165	11/20/1984	London, England	Dagenham & Redbridge (ENG)
45	Emmanuel Ledesma	leh-DEHZ-mah	F	5-11	170	5/24/1988	Quilmes, Argentina	New York Cosmos (NASL)
51	Sem de Wit	de VIT	D	6-1	183	3/30/1995	Harderwijk, The Netherlands	Whitecaps FC 2 (USL)

**Head Coach:** Alan Koch (second season) – KAHCH

**Assistant Coach:** Yoann Damet (second season) – YO-ahn dah-MAY

**Goalkeepers Coach:** Jack Stern (first season)

**Fitness Coach:** Austin Berry (first season)

**Head Athletic Trainer:** Aaron Powell

**Team Manager/Equipment Manager:** Teddy Kerr

**Operations & Video Assistant:** Diego Martinez



**ALAN KOCH**  
HEAD COACH

Alan Koch is in his second season as the head coach at FC Cincinnati. In 2017 Koch led the Orange and Blue to semifinal game of the U.S. Open Cup, guiding the team to wins over MLS sides Columbus Crew and Chicago Fire - a thrilling win in penalty kicks - as well as a victory over NASL Fall Champions, Miami FC. In USL action, FCC advanced to playoffs for the second consecutive season.

Koch joined FCC as the Director of Scouting and Analytics and Assistant Coach in December of 2016, before being named the club's second head coach the following February.

Koch spent two seasons as the head coach of Vancouver Whitecaps FC 2, taking the team from eight wins in 2015 to 12 victories this season with a sixth-place finish in the standings. In 2016, WFC2 won their first-ever playoff match against Colorado Springs Switchbacks FC, logging a come-from-behind 2-1 decision before posting a 3-2 win over Oklahoma City Energy FC to advance to the Western Conference final. In the conference championship, WFC2 fell to USL Cup finalists, Swope Park Rangers.

Koch is originally from Durban, South Africa and matriculated from Westville Boys High School.

Prior to joining the Whitecaps he coached at Simon Fraser University (SFU) for seven seasons, compiling a record of 126-21-7 and becoming the quickest coach in program history to reach 100 victories.

During his tenure at SFU, his teams won four Great Northwest Athletic Conference (GNAC) championships, two Division II regional titles and advanced to the NCAA Division II Final Four twice. He was voted the Conference Coach of the Year six consecutive years and led his team to a NCAA Top 10 ranking every year.

An All-American at SFU, Koch played professionally in the South African first division with Reservoir Hills United. He also signed with Preussen Krefeld in the German fourth division, adding a stint with Limerick FC in Ireland's first division. Before beginning his professional career, Koch was a member of the South African Olympic Team and captained the South African Schoolboys team.

Koch graduated with his bachelor's degree from SFU in 2000 and completed his master's degree in human resources from Midwestern State University in 2005. Koch and his wife, Amy, and daughter, Aurora, currently reside in North Vancouver, British Columbia.

Koch holds an NSCAA Premier Diploma with distinction, a Canadian "B" license, various South African licenses, a UEFA "B" badge and has completed both his UEFA "A" through the Irish Football Association and the Canadian "A" license.

### KOCH'S CAREER RECORD

Year	Team (League)	Record	East	Overall	Playoffs
2017	FC Cincinnati (USL)	12-10-10	6th	12th	Qtr
2018	FC Cincinnati (USL)	13-3-6	1st	T-1st	
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>25-13-16</b>			