



**Eagle Field (1,800) | April 15th, 2017 | 7:00 PM ET**  
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**Charlotte Independence (0-1-1) vs. Pittsburgh Riverhounds (1-2-1)**



Charlotte (N.C.) The Charlotte Independence (0-1-1) face the Pittsburgh Riverhounds (1-2-1) this Saturday, April 15th. Kickoff is scheduled for 7:00 PM ET at Eagle Field on the campus of Winthrop University.

Charlotte enters this week's matchup on a week of rest, having traveled to Orlando City B and earning an away point. Midfielder **Lewis Hilton** gave Charlotte a second half lead in the 60th minute, but Orlando's **Albert Dikwa** equalized in the 70th minute for the last goal of the match.

The Riverhounds are coming off a mid-week 2-1 home, loss to Saint Louis FC on Wednesday night. Rookie, forward **Kay Banjo** scored the first goal in the 5th minute for Pittsburgh on a errand clearance by St. Louis goalkeeper, **Devala Gorricks**. However, Saint Louis netted the final two goals of the game to outlast the Riverhounds.

In the first three games of the season, the Riverhounds offense has been spurred on by forward **Corey Hertzog**. The Reading, Pennsylvania native recorded a brace versus New York Red Bulls II on Saturday, March 25th and tallied a stoppage time, game-winning goal in Charleston versus the Battery on Saturday, April 8th. Hertzog is tied for the league lead in goals scored (3).

The 2016 season-series between the two clubs was heavily favored for Charlotte. On aggregate of two games, Charlotte blanked Pittsburgh 7-0. The last time the clubs squared off, Charlotte recorded their fifth clean sheet in a 3-0 home win at Ramblewood Soccer Complex. In the two-year existence of the Independence, the Riverhounds have never beaten the Charlotte side.

Saturday's game will be the first a two-game, home-and-away series between Pittsburgh and Charlotte. The second matchup is scheduled for Tuesday, July 4th at Highmark Stadium in Pittsburgh.

## Statistical Snapshot

*2017 Stats	Charlotte	Pittsburgh
<b>Leading Scorer(s)</b>	Lewis Hilton (1)	Corey Hertzog (3)
<b>Leading Assister(s)</b>	Alex Martinez (1)	Hollingsworth, Banjo, Balchan, Washington (1)
<b>Goals Per Game</b>	0.5	1.5
<b>Saves Per Game</b>	3.00	2.50
<b>Goals Against Average</b>	1.50	1.75
<b>Shots Per Game</b>	8.50	8.50
<b>Shots on Target Per Game</b>	3.00	4.00

## Broadcast Information

Antenna TV Network (OTA channel 18.2) will broadcast all 24 Saturday evening Independence home and away games throughout the 2017 season.

### Local Providers of Antenna Network:

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Truvista - Channel 82

All games are streamed live on the USL's youtube channel, and on the USL.com's game center.

## **Game 3 Storylines**

### **MVP In Doubt**

2016 USL First-teamer and USL MVP Finalist, Enzo Martinez is listed as questionable for Saturday's game. Martinez suffered a lower leg injury in the preseason match versus North Carolina FC on Saturday, March 11th. Martinez served a one-game suspension versus the Battery on Saturday, April 1st for the red card he received in the playoff game versus Rochester last year. He scored nine goals and assisted five times in 2016.

### **Know The Opponent**

In the 2016 series between Charlotte and Pittsburgh, the Independence aggregated a 7-0 total over the Riverhounds. On Saturday, July 23rd the Independence topped the Riverhounds 3-0 in Pittsburgh. On Saturday, September 10th the Independence beat the Riverhounds 4-0 in Charlotte.

### **Rookie Regime**

In the first two games of the USL season, Charlotte started two rookies in midfielder, Callum Ross and defender, Luke Waechter. Ross helped Wingate University win the 2016 DII NCAA Men's National Championship and Waechter was named Conference USA Defender of the Year in 2016. Charlotte signed rookie, forward Jaime Siaj this week, but he is not expected to play according to Head Coach Mike Jeffries.

### **Mr. Reliable In Doubt**

Team captain, Bilal Duckett is listed as questionable for Saturday's game. He missed last week's game versus Orlando City B with an ankle injury. Duckett was atop the league in minutes played last season with 2,667 minutes logged out of a possible 2,700 minutes in the 2016 regular season (98.88%). Duckett started in all 31 USL games played last year.

### **Hitting The Mark**

Through the first three weeks of USL regular season play, the Independence is top 3 in the league in possession time: Tampa Bay 60.5%, Bethlehem 59.8%, Independence 57.2%. With 1,142 passes completed, the Independence is third in the league for passing conversion at 82%.

### **Playing Out Of The Back**

In last week's away draw with Orlando City B, midfielder Jun Marques Davidson and defender Luke Waechter combined for the most connected passes (16) between any two players for either team. The second highest pass combination (15) was between Davidson and defender Henry Kalungi.

### **Super Sub**

Jorge Herrera scored five of his seven goals last season when coming into the game as a substitution. Herrera was a starter in the Independence's season opener last week.

### **Colorado Connection**

This offseason, the Charlotte Independence renewed their affiliation with the MLS' Colorado Rapids. Current loaned Rapids players include; Goalkeeper Goalkeeper Cody Mizell and Defender Dennis Castillo.

### **Mile Marker 25**

The next win Independence Head Coach Mike Jeffries records will be his 25th regular season USL victory.

## **Injury Report**

Enzo Martinez (ankle) - Questionable

Bilal Duckett (ankle) - Questionable (Full Participant in Wednesday's Practice)

Kyle Renfro (knee) - Out

## **Last Game's Starting XI**

Forwards: Casey Townsend

Midfielders: Alex Martinez, Yann Ekra, David Estrada, Callum Ross, Jun Marques Davidson

Defenders: Dennis Castillo, Henry Kalungi, Luke Waechter, Joel Johnson

Goalkeeper: Cody Mizell

## **Weekly Quotes**

Independence Head Coach Mike Jeffries

### **On mixed result of Orlando City B match...**

"Frustrated and disappointed, really in ourselves. I think we felt like scoring the first goal and having the lead is something that we want to pride ourselves in being able to protect and hold. We were frustrated in ourselves in that it wasn't a consistent performance. We weren't sharp in enough times. We showed a lot of good stretches and a lot of stretches where we were able to move the ball and create chances. But then we also had some moments of lack of concentration and giveaways that are disappointing. It was a performance we know could've been better. The way the game played out, a point on the road in Orlando for us, which has been a traditionally tough place for us to play, it's not an awful result."

### **On facing Pittsburgh Riverhounds....**

"They're a different team this year. Obviously Coach Brandt has had them since the beginning of the year and changed the organization side. They've always been a dangerous attacking team and effective going forward, so I think the two shutouts have been a little deceiving. I do feel like this year they have a number of solid attacking options, including Herztog, who was very good last year and has continued to be strong. They're fairly dynamic, fairly dangerous and they're a little better in terms of their defensive shape, organization and they'll have some athletic defenders. I think it becomes a tougher day and a different game than it was last year."

### **On team mentality and where the team stands right now...**

"The team's mentality feels pretty good. I think the guys are in good spirits and we've had a good week working-wise. Health-wise, we're trying to get a few guys back to health. That's a part of it, unfortunately, for us at this point. I think Bilal has made good progress and it was nice to have him in training [on Wednesday]."

## Last Time They Met

The Charlotte Independence last faced the Pittsburgh Riverhounds on Saturday, September 10th 2016 at Ramblewood Soccer Complex in Charlotte, North Carolina. The Independence defeated the Riverhounds 4-0 off goals scored by Brian Brown, David Estrada (2) and Jorge Herrera.

### SCORING SUMMARY

1ST PERIOD		PGH	CLT
38:57	Charlotte Indepe... B. Brown - Assist: J. Johnson	0	1
44:53	Charlotte Indepe... D. Estrada - Assist: E. Martinez	0	2
2ND PERIOD		PGH	CLT
53:44	Charlotte Indepe... D. Estrada	0	3
90:00	Charlotte Indepe... J. Herrera - Assist: A. Hassan	0	4

### PITTSBURGH RIVERHOUNDS INDIVIDUALS

#	NAME	MIN	G	A	SH	SOG	YC	RC
7	Stephen Okai	28	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	Michael Green	81	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	Zak Boggs	90	0	0	1	0	1	0
10	Kevin Kerr	90	0	0	3	2	0	0
11	Corey Hertzog	90	0	0	2	1	0	0
12	Sergio Campbell	90	0	0	1	1	0	0
13	William Hunt	90	0	0	1	0	0	0
17	Drew Russell	9	0	0	0	0	0	0
22	Matshidiso Moloto	65	0	0	0	0	0	0
25	Marshall Hollingsworth	45	0	0	0	0	0	0
28	Jackson Thompson	13	0	0	1	1	0	0
31	Nicholas Thompson	25	0	0	1	1	0	0
33	Ryan Adeleye	62	0	0	0	0	0	0
34	Cristian Martinez	45	0	0	2	1	0	0
36	Chevaughn Walsh	77	0	0	3	0	0	0
TOTALS			0	0	15	7	1	0

### CHARLOTTE INDEPENDENCE INDIVIDUALS

#	NAME	MIN	G	A	SH	SOG	YC	RC
3	Kevin (Bilal) Duckett	90	0	0	1	1	0	0
5	Paul Clowes	18	0	0	1	0	0	0
6	Jun Davidson	85	0	0	1	1	0	0
7	Yann Ekra	18	0	0	2	0	0	0
9	Brian Brown	85	1	0	3	2	0	0
10	Jorge Herrera	18	1	0	1	1	0	0
11	David Estrada	90	2	0	3	3	1	0
14	Lewis Hilton	72	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	Joseph Greenspan	90	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	Enzo Martinez	72	0	1	0	0	0	0
20	Aly Hassan	5	0	1	0	0	0	0
22	Joel Johnson	90	0	1	1	0	0	0
23	Alex Martinez	72	0	0	3	1	0	0
24	Norberto Ochoa	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
25	Henry Kalungi	90	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS			4	3	16	9	1	0

### PITTSBURGH RIVERHOUNDS GOALKEEPERS

#	NAME	MIN	GA	SV	PKSV	SV%	GAA
30	Zack Steffen	90	4	5	0	.556	4.00
TOTALS			4	5	0	.556	4.00

### CHARLOTTE INDEPENDENCE GOALKEEPERS

#	NAME	MIN	GA	SV	PKSV	SV%	GAA
12	John Berner	90	0	7	0	1.000	0.00
TOTALS			0	7	0	1.000	0.00

### GAME DETAILS

Venue: Ramblewood Soccer Complex

Attendance: 1,306

## Charlotte's Records vs Pittsburgh Riverhounds

All-Time Record: 4-0-1

Home Record: 3-0-0

Away Record: 1-0-1

## Charlotte Independence Head Coach



### Mike Jeffries

**Coaching Experience:** 24 years

**Independence:** 3rd Season

**Independence Record:** (27-19-19)

Jeffries was named the first Head Coach in Independence history on Dec. 5, 2014. In two seasons, he has led Charlotte to a USL playoff game, a 5th place regular season finish, and a Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup victory over the MLS side New England Revolution. Jeffries' squad missed the playoffs in the inaugural season by just one point.

Before making the move to the USL, Jeffries spent two seasons with the Des Moines Menace of the Premier Development League, where he had a combined regular-season record of 18-7-3. He was named the 2014 PDL Coach of the Year after guiding the Menace to the league's regular-season championship. The Menace collected its first postseason win in five years and built an 11-match unbeaten streak before falling in the PDL quarterfinals to eventual champion the Michigan Bucks. Jeffries also led the Menace to a combined 3-2 record in the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup.

Jeffries, 54, is a former member of the U.S. Men's National Team and NCAA player of the year. Jeffries has ties to the game at the international and collegiate levels.

His first MLS gig was as an assistant to Bob Bradley during the Chicago Fire's first three seasons. The inaugural Fire team won the 1998 MLS Cup and U.S. Open Cup titles, repeating as Open Cup champion in 2000. Jeffries then served as head coach for the Dallas Burn (now FC Dallas) from 2001-03, reaching the MLS Playoffs in each of his first two seasons. He was nominated for MLS Coach of the Year in 2002. Jeffries spent the next four years coaching at the collegiate level, before returning to the Fire as an assistant coach from 2008-10, and as Director of Player Personnel from October 2010 through September 2011. He also served as a scout for the USMNT in the 2010 FIFA World Cup, assisting Bradley and his staff in South Africa.

The Bethesda, Md., native is a graduate of Duke University, where he earned the 1983 Hermann Trophy as a senior. Jeffries' junior season ended in an epic national title match, an eight-overtime 2-1 loss to Indiana. Between 1984-85, he earned three caps as a member of the USMNT. From 1984-88, Jeffries played professionally in the top U.S. indoor and outdoor leagues. In the final season of the original North American Soccer League he scored two goals in 10 matches for the 1984 Minnesota Strikers. Jeffries, the first pick of the 1983 Major Indoor Soccer League Draft, played for the reincarnated Minnesota Strikers from 1984-87 and for the Dallas Sidekicks in 1988 before a torn ACL ended his playing career.

The first stop in Jeffries' coaching career was with the New Orleans Riverboat Gamblers, a member of the former USL A-League. He served as an assistant coach from 1993-94 and as head coach from 1995-98.

### Coaching History

2014-	Charlotte Independence	Head Coach
2013-14	Des Moines Menace	Head Coach
2008-10	Chicago Fire	Assistant Coach
2006-07	Duke University	Assistant Coach
2005	University of the Incarnate Word	Head Coach
2004	Southern Methodist University	Assistant Coach
2001-03	Dallas Burn	Assistant Coach
1998-00	Chicago Fire	Assistant Coach
1995-98	New Orleans Riverboat Gamblers	Head Coach
1993-94	New Orleans Riverboat Gamblers	Assistant Coach

## Charlotte Independence Coaching Staff



**Troy Lesesne**  
Assistant Coach

Lesesne spent the 2014 season with the Vancouver Whitecaps, serving as an assistant coach and liaison with the Charleston Battery as part of their MLS/USL affiliation. The Battery finished the 2014 campaign fifth in the regular season standings, which clinched a playoff spot for the club. Prior to joining the Battery, Lesesne spent 10 years as an assistant coach at the College of Charleston (2005-14). During that time, he helped the program compile an 82-76-14 record, along with a Southern Conference regular season championship and second round NCAA Tournament appearance in 2010. He was named one of the top-20 assistant coaches in the nation by CollegeSoccerNews.com in 2011 and 2013, and also was selected to the inaugural NSCAA "Top 30 Under 30" coaches program in 2013. Lesesne holds both a USSF "A" coaching license and NSCAA Premier Diploma.

Following a successful collegiate career at the College of Charleston (2001-04), Lesesne was drafted by the Battery in 2005 and played professionally for two years before accepting his first coaching job. The West Columbia, S.C. native is married to Amanda Andrews Lesesne, who is a Charlotte native and grew up playing for the Charlotte Soccer Academy.



**Joel Tyson**  
Goalkeepers Coach

Assistant coach Joel Tyson begins his first season the Charlotte Independence. He comes to the team as the Goalkeepers coach for the University of Central Florida Golden Knights. Tyson brings seven years of coaching experience with stops at Wofford for four seasons and Hofstra University. The Irmo, South Carolina, native helped bring in a number of All-Southern Conference honorees including Connor Davis, Nestor Jaramillo, Matthew Aurednik, and Garrett Closs. Davis earned All-South Region selection. With Hofstra, he worked primarily with the goal keepers and assisted in all aspects of the program's day-to-day operations. In 2010, the team recorded nine shutouts with a 1.12 goals against average, while the Pride's goalkeepers blanked four opponents in his first campaign. For seven years, Tyson has served as the Director of Goalkeeping at the Ralph Lundy Soccer Academy. He also worked as the goalkeeper coach for the South Carolina Olympic Development Program (ODP), where he assisted Wofford head coach Ralph Polson. He has also worked independently with the goalkeepers for the Long Island Rough Riders of the Premier Development League (PDL). Tyson earned three soccer letters at Dutch Fork High School prior to attending Coker. He served as the goalkeeper coach at Dutch Fork for one season before joining the Hofstra program in 2009.

**2017 USL Eastern Conference Table**

Pos.	Team	Games Played	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	Pts
1	Saint Louis FC	4	3	1	0	8	5	+3	10
2	Tampa Bay Rowdies	3	3	0	0	6	0	+6	9
3	Louisville City FC	3	2	1	0	4	1	+3	7
4	Charleston Battery	3	2	0	1	5	3	+2	6
5	Rochester Rhinos	2	1	1	0	3	2	+1	4
6	New York Red Bulls II	4	1	1	2	6	7	-1	4
7	Pittsburgh Riverhounds	4	1	1	2	6	7	-1	4
8	Orlando City B	4	1	1	2	5	6	-1	4
9	Toronto FC II	4	1	1	2	2	7	-5	4
10	Bethlehem Steel FC	2	1	0	1	4	3	+1	3
11	Harrisburg City Islanders	2	1	0	1	1	1	0	3
12	Richmond Kickers	3	1	0	2	1	2	-1	3
13	FC Cincinnati	3	1	0	2	2	4	-2	3
14	Charlotte Independence	2	0	1	1	1	3	-2	1
15	Ottawa Fury	2	0	0	2	2	4	-2	0

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## 2017 Charlotte Independence Schedule and Results

Opponent	Venue	Date	Result
Charleston Battery	Transamerica Field	Saturday, April 1st	2-0 L
Orlando City B	Orlando City Stadium	Saturday, April 8th	1-1 D
Pittsburgh Riverhounds	Eagle Field	Saturday, April 15th	
Saint Louis FC	Toyota Stadium	Saturday, April 22nd	
Rochester Rhions	Capelli Sport Stadium	Saturday, April 29th	
New York Red Bulls II	Eagle Field	Thursday, May 11th	
Orlando City B	Orlando City Stadium	Saturday, May 27th	
Tampa Bay Rowdies	Eagle Field	Sunday, June 4th	
Louisville City FC	Louisville Slugger Field	Wednesday, June 7th	
FC Cincinnati	Nippert Stadium	Saturday, June 10th	
Harrisburg City Islanders	Sportsplex at Matthews	Saturday, June 17th	
Richmond Kickers	City Stadium	Saturday, June 24th	
Rochester Rhinos	Sportsplex at Matthews	Saturday, July 1st	
Pittsburgh Riverhounds	Highmark Stadium	Tuesday, July 4th	
Saint Louis FC	Sportsplex at Matthews	Saturday, July 8th	
New York Red Bulls II	MSU Soccer Park	Saturday, July 15th	
Harrisburg City Islanders	FNB Field	Tuesday, July 18th	
Richmond Kickers	Sportsplex at Matthews	Wednesday, July 26th	
Bethlehem Steel FC	Goodman Stadium	Saturday, July 29th	
Louisville City FC	Sportsplex at Matthews	Saturday, August 5th	
Toronto FC II	Ontario Soccer Centre	Wednesday, August 9th	
Ottawa Fury FC	TD Place Stadium	Saturday, August 12th	
Bethlehem Steel FC	Sportsplex at Matthews	Wednesday, August 16th	
Orlando City B	Sportsplex at Matthews	Saturday, August 19th	
Toronto FC II	Sportsplex at Matthews	Saturday, August 26th	
Richmond Kickers	Sportsplex at Matthews	Saturday, Sept. 2nd	
Charleston Battery	MUSC Health Stadium	Saturday, Sept. 9th	
Ottawa Fury FC	Sportsplex at Matthews	Saturday, Sept. 16th	
Tampa Bay Rowdies	Al Lang Stadium	Saturday, Sept. 23rd	
FC Cincinnati	Sportsplex at Matthews	Friday, Sept. 29th	
Louisville City FC	Louisville Slugger Field	Saturday, October 7th	
Charleston Battery	Sportsplex at Matthews	Saturday, October 14th	



### 2017 Charlotte Independence Numerical Roster

Number	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Nationality
1	Cody Mizell	GK	6'1	165	25	American
2	Zev Taublieb	M	5'7	145	23	American
3	Bilal Duckett	D	6'2	175	28	American
5	Callum Ross	M	6'2	175		English
6	Jun Marques-Davidson	M	6'1	185	33	Japanese
7	Yann Ekra	M/F	5'11	155	26	French
9	Casey Townsend	F	5'11	170	27	American
10	Jorge Herrera	M	5'9	150	36	Colombian
11	David Estrada	M	5'9	160	29	American
13	Austin Yearwood	D	6'0	170	22	American
14	Lewis Hilton	M	5'8	145	23	English
15	Luke Waechter	D	6'2	185		American
17	David Spies	M/F	5'9	160	22	German-American
18	Kyle Renfro	GK	6'1	185	25	American
19	Enzo Martinez	M	5'7	145	26	Uruguayan
21	Jared Odenbeck	D/M	6'2	175		American
22	Joel Johnson	D	5'11	174	24	Spanish
23	Alex Martinez	M	5'8	145	25	Uruguayan
25	Henry Kalungi	D	6'2	185	29	Ugandan
26	Dennis Castillo	D	5'10	160	23	Costa Rican
29	Jacob Bender	M	5'10	160		American
32	Jaime Sijaj	F	6'2	185	21	Spanish

## Player Bios



**BILAL DUCKETT**  
DEFENDER  
#3  
-Previous Clubs: Notre Dame, Rochester Rhinos, Vancouver FC, D.C. United  
-3rd year w/ CLT  
-Hometown: Atlanta, GA



**YANN EKRA**  
MIDFIELDER  
#7  
-Previous Clubs: Lyon, Hull City, Harrisburg City Islander, Panionios  
-2nd year w/ CLT



**JORGE HERRERA**  
FORWARD  
#10  
-Previous Clubs: Charlotte Eagles  
-3rd year w/ CLT  
-Bogota, Columbia



**HENRY KALUNGI**  
DEFENDER  
#25  
-Previous Clubs: Richmond Kickers, Winthrop University  
-3rd year w/ CLT  
-Hometown: Kampala, Uganda



**JOEL JOHNSON**  
DEFENDER  
#22  
-Previous Clubs: Liberian National Team, Valencia, Racing de Santander  
-2nd year w/ CLT  
-Hometown: Torrent, Spain



**AUSTIN YEARWOOD**  
DEFENDER  
#13  
-Previous Clubs: Charlotte Eagles, High Point University, Charlotte Soccer Academy  
-2nd year w/ CLT  
-Hometown: Charlotte, N.C.



**DAVID SPIES**  
FORWARD  
#17  
-Previous Clubs: FC Augsburg, FC Nurburg  
-2nd year w/ CLT  
-Hometown: Herdecke, Germany



**DENNIS CASTILLO**  
DEFENDER  
#26 (Loan)  
-Previous Clubs: Colorado Rapids, VCU University  
-2nd year w/ CLT  
-Hometown: San Jose, Costa Rica



**JACOB BENDER**  
MIDFIELDER  
#29  
-Previous Clubs: Messiah College  
-Rookie  
-Hometown: Baltimore, M.D.  
-D3 NCAA Player of the Year



**LEWIS HILTON**  
MIDFIELDER  
#14  
-Previous Clubs: Young Harris College, Ocala Stampede  
-2nd year w/ CLT  
-Hometown: Newquay, England



**CALLUM ROSS**  
MIDFIELDER  
#5  
-Previous Clubs: Wingate University  
-Rookie  
-Hometown: Newcastle, England  
-Won '16 D2 NCAA Soccer Champ'ship



**JUN MARQUES DAVIDSON**  
MIDFIELDER  
#6  
-Previous Clubs: Carolina Railhawks, Vancouver Whitecaps  
-2nd year w/ CLT  
-Hometown: Tokyo, Japan



**ALEX MARTINEZ**  
MIDFIELDER  
#23  
-Previous Clubs: Sporting Kansas City, NC State  
-3rd year w/ CLT  
-Hometown: Montevideo, Spain



**ENZO MARTINEZ**  
FORWARD  
#19  
-Previous Clubs: Real Salt Lake, Carolina Railhawks  
-3rd year w/ CLT  
-Hometown: Montevideo



**JARED ODENBECK**  
MIDFIELDER  
#21  
-Previous Clubs: Wake Forest University, Charlotte Soccer Academy  
-Rookie  
-Hometown: Charlotte, N.C.



**LUKE WAECHTER**  
**DEFENDER**  
**#15**  
-Previous Clubs:  
UNC Charlotte  
-Rookie  
-Hometown: Evan,  
G.A.  
-'16 Conf. USA Def.  
Player of the Year



**CASEY TOWNSEND**  
**FORWARD**  
**#9**  
-Previous Clubs: FC  
Cincinnati, TB  
Rowdies, OKC  
Energy, DC United,  
Richmond Kickers  
-1st year w/ CLT  
-Hometown: Traverse  
City, M.I.



**ZEV TAUBLIEB**  
**MIDFIELDER**  
**#2**  
-Previous Clubs:  
Wilmington  
Hammerheads,  
Sacramento  
Republic  
-1st year w/ CLT  
-Hometown: New  
York, N.Y.



**DAVID ESTRADA**  
**MIDFIELDER**  
**#11**  
-Previous Clubs:  
Seattle Sounders,  
Sacramento Rep.,  
OC Blues  
-2nd year w/ CLT  
-Hometown:  
Morelia, Mexico



**CODY MIZELL**  
**KEEPER**  
**#1 (Loan)**  
-Previous Clubs:  
Colorado Rapids,  
Clemson Univ'sity,  
Atl. Silverbacks,  
Knattspyrnufélagið  
Fram (Iceland)  
-2nd year w/ CLT  
-Hometown:  
Woodstock, G.A.



**KYLE RENFRO**  
**KEEPER**  
**#18**  
-Previous Clubs:  
Virginia Tech,  
Charlotte Eagles,  
Harrisburg City  
Islanders  
-2nd year w/ CLT  
-Hometown:  
Lynchburg, V.A.

## 2017 Individual Stats

Player Name	GP	Mins	G	A	Pts	Sh	SoG	F	PK	YC	RC
E. Martinez	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J. Herrera	2	109	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	1	0
D. Estrada	2	146	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
L. Hilton	2	121	1	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0
J. Davidson	1	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
A. Martinez	2	180	0	1	1	5	2	2	0	0	0
H. Kalungi	2	180	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Y. Ekra	2	180	0	0	0	4	1	4	0	0	0
B. Duckett	1	76	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0
A. Yearwood	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J. Johnson	2	180	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0
D. Castillo	2	104	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
L. Waechter	2	180	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	0
J. Odenbeck	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
C. Ross	2	135	0	0	0	1	0	5	0	2	0
Z. Taublieb	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D. Spies	2	34	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
C. Townsend	2	85	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
J. Bender	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
J. Siaj	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Goal Keepers	GP	Mins	GA	SV	SV%	GAA					
K. Renfro	0	0	0	0	0	0.00					
C. Mizell	2	180	3	6	66.7%	1.50					

## 2016 Individual Stats

Player Name	GP	Mins	G	A	Pts	Sh	SoG	F	PK	YC	RC
E. Martinez	28	2073	9	5	23	70	26	32		6	0
B. Brown	27	2177	9	5	23	71	29	36		4	1
J. Herrera	30	1109	7	2	16	23	15	20		3	0
D. Estrada	30	2203	6	2	14	30	12	19		1	0
C. Calvert	21	1616	6	2	14	48	29	25		1	0
L. Hilton	27	1186	3	4	10	22	13	8		1	0
P. Slogic	27	2399	3	2	8	17	8	15		6	0
J. Davidson	29	2353	2	0	4	11	5	15		2	0
A. Martinez	14	604	1	1	3	14	5	9		3	0
N. Ochoa	14	102	1	0	2	5	2	2		0	0
A. Hassan	10	142	1	2	4	6	4	0		1	0
H. Kalungi	27	2279	0	0	0	4	1	12		3	0
Y. Ekra	20	1301	0	1	1	15	2	30		3	0
J. Metcalf	21	641	0	0	0	2	0	6		2	0
A. Bartlett	6	183	0	0	0	0	0	1		0	0
C. Hellmann	8	139	0	1	1	3	0	5		0	0
E. Appiah	2	24	0	0	0	0	0	1		0	0
B. Duckett	29	2577	0	2	2	4	2	19		6	0
A. Yearwood	3	98	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0
J. Johnson	25	2097	0	1	1	11	3	21		4	0
A. Kryst	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0
Z. Pfeffer	16	546	0	0	0	16	6	8		1	0
D. Castillo	2	162	0	1	1	1	0	3		1	0
P. Clowes	15	492	0	0	0	3	0	5		2	0
J. Greenspan	6	288	0	0	0	1	1	2		1	0
Goal Keepers	GP	Mins	GA	SV	SV%	GAA					
J. Berner	20	1782	19	51	.729	0.96					
C. Mizell	10	900	10	35	.778	1.00					

## The Last Time...

	Team/Player	Date
Shutout For	@Richmond Kickers (GK John Berner)	Wed, Sep 14th, 2016
Shutout Against	Vs. Charleston Battery (GK Alex Tambakis)	Sat, Apr 1st, 2017
2 Goals Same Game For	Vs. Pittsburgh Riverhounds (David Estrada)	Sat, Sep 10th, 2016
3 Goals Same Game For	Never	N/A
2 Goals Same Game Against	@ Richmond Kickers (F, George Davis IV)	Sat, Apr 18th, 2015
3 Goals Same Game Against	@ Richmond Kickers (F, George Davis IV)	Sat, Apr 18th, 2015
Earliest Goal For	3:50, Vs. Orlando City B(D, Patrick Slogic)	Wed, Aug 17th, 2016
Earliest Goal Against	2:12, @ Richmond Kickers (Jason Yeisley)	Sun, June 7th, 2015
Own Goal For	Never	N/A
Own Goal Against	@ Louisville City FC	Sat, Sep 24, 2016
Lost by ≥2 Goals	Vs. Charleston Battery	Sat, Apr 1st, 2017
Lost by ≥3 Goals	@ North Carolina FC (US Open Cup)	Wed, June 1st, 2016
Lost by ≥4 Goals	@ North Carolina FC (US Open Cup)	Wed, June 1st, 2016
Won by ≥2 Goals	Vs. Pittsburgh Riverhounds	Sat, Sep 10th, 2016
Won by ≥3 Goals	Vs. Pittsburgh Riverhounds	Sat, Sep 10th, 2016
Won by ≥4 Goals	Vs. Pittsburgh Riverhounds	Sat, Sep 10th, 2016
Overtime Game	@ North Carolina FC (US Open Cup)	Wed, June 1st, 2016

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## Pronunciation Guide

**Assistant Coach Troy Lesesne:** La-SANE

- 1**     **Cody Mizell:** MY-zell
- 2**     **Zev Taublieb:** Ta-OUB-leeB
- 3**     **Bilal Duckett:** Bah-LAL
- 5**     **Callum Ross:** CAL-um
- 7**     **Yann Ekra:** ECK-rah
- 15**    **Luke Waechter:** Wek-TER
- 17**    **David Spies:** SpEEZ
- 22**    **Joel Johnson:** Joe-ELLE
- 25**    **Henry Kalungi:** Cah-LOON-gee (rhymes with bumblebee)
- 26**    **Dennis Castillo:** Ca-STEE-o
- 32**    **Jaime Siaj:** HI-may SEE-ähge

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