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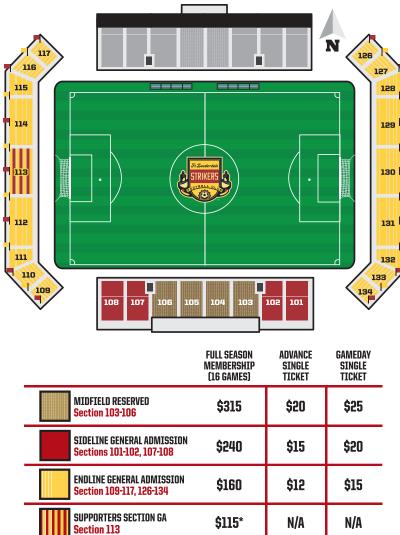




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# **2016 STRIKERS SCHEDULE**

SPRING SEASON	Home games in RED		TOOTBELL CL.
Date	Opponent	Time	Broadcast / Result
SATURDAY, APRIL 2	MIAMI FC	7:00 PM	D 1-1
SATURDAY, APRIL 16	AT MINNESOTA UNITED FC	8:00 PM	L 3-0
SATURDAY, APRIL 23	JACKSONVILLE ARMADA FC	7:00 PM	D 1-1
SATURDAY, APRIL 30	TAMPA BAY ROWDIES	7:00 PM	L 0-1
SATURDAY, MAY 7	AT CAROLINA RAILHAWKS	7:30 PM	W 1-3
SATURDAY, MAY 14	INDY ELEVEN	7:00 PM	D 0-0
SATURDAY, MAY 21	AT RAYO OKLAHOMA CITY	8:00 PM	W 1-2
FRIDAY, MAY 27	AT OTTAWA FURY FC	7:00 PM	W 1-2
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1*	RICHMOND KICKERS	11:00 AM	D 1-1 (2-0 PKS)
SATURDAY, JUNE 4	NEW YORK COSMOS	7:00 PM	W 2-1
SUNDAY, JUNE 12	AT FC EDMONTON	4:00 PM	L 2-1
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15*	AT D.C. UNITED	7:30 PM	D O-O (3-4 PKS)
WEDNESDAY, JULY 29*	AT ORLANDO CITY SC	7:30 PM	W 1-2 (AET)
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FALL SEASON			
•	MIAMI FC		
	AT FC EDMONTON		
	AT INDY ELEVEN		
	CAROLINA RAILHAWKS		
•	AT CHICAGO FIRE*		
•	AT MINNESOTA UNITED FC		
	JACKSONVILLE ARMADA FC		
	AT TAMPA BAY ROWDIES		
	AT MIAMI FC		
	AT JACKSONVILLE ARMADA FC		
	OTTAWA FURY FC		
	MINNESOTA UNITED FC		
•	NEW YORK COSMOS		
	INDY ELEVEN		
•	AT RAYO OKLAHOMA CITY		
SATURDAY, SEPT. 24	TAMPA BAY ROWDIES	7:00 PM	SFL-TV
WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 28	AT PUERTO RICO FC	7:30 PM	SFL-TV
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2	AT NEW YORK COSMOS	6:00 PM	SFL-TV / ONE WORLD SPORTS
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8	AT CAROLINA RAILHAWKS	7:30 PM	SFL-TV / beIN SPORTS
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12	FC EDMONTON	7:30 PM	SFL-TV / ONE WORLD SPORTS
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15	PUERTO RICO FC	7:00 PM	SFL-TV
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22	RAYO OKLAHOMA CITY	7:00 PM	SFL-TV
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29	AT OTTAWA FURY FC	2:00 PM	SFL-TV



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The 2016 NASL season features 12 teams across the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico. Miami FC and Rayo OKC begin play in the Spring Season, and Puerto Rico FC join in the Fall Season. The San Francisco Deltas will join the league in 2017.

- Carolina RailHawks
- FC Edmonton
- Fort Lauderdale Strikers
- Indv Eleven
- Jacksonville Armada FC
- Miami FC
- Minnesota United FC

- New York Cosmos
- Ottawa Fury FC
- Puerto Rico FC
- Rayo OKC
- Tampa Bay Rowdies
- San Francisco Deltas (2017)

The competition is split into Spring and Fall Seasons, with the champions of each season earning a spot in the NASL Championship, the league's four-team postseason tournament in November. The Spring/Fall winner with the better overall record will receive the #1 seed.

The two teams with the next highest overall points total will qualify as The Championship's 3rd and 4th seeds. Seeds 1 & 2 will host the semifinals, and the highest advancing seed will host The Championship Final, with the winner receiving the Soccer Bowl trophy.





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The 2016 NASL Spring Season wrapped up in a climactic final weekend, with 10 of the 11 clubs in action, and 4 clubs in the hunt for the Spring Championship Title. With the New York Cosmos sitting atop the table and on their bye week at 18 points, three clubs were chasing for the championship. The Tampa Bay Rowdies needed a win by six goals or more to caputure the title, but drew 1-1 with Jacksonville Armada FC in their tilt at Community First Park. Indy Eleven needed to win by three goals and score at least four, and they came up with just the result they needed by defeating the Carolina RailHawks 4-1 at home and completed an undefeated Spring. This left everything on the Strikers, who on Sunday, June 12th traveled to face FC Edmoton and needed a 6+ goal victory to secure the Spring title. The Eddies would win the day however, with a 2-1 victory, handing the Spring Championship to Indy Eleven. Rounding out the action were Rayo OKC and Ottawa Fury FC drawing 1-1 and Minnesota United FC defeating Miami FC 3-1 in their week 11 matchups.

The 2016 Amway Canadian Championship resumed with Ottawa Fury FC falling to Vancouver Whitecaps FC

3-0 in the second leg of the semifinals, bowing out of the competition on an aggregate score of 3-2. In Round 4 of the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup, the Strikers and Cosmos advanced past MLS opposition to move on to Round 5, and the Strikers would advance further still, as the only NASL side still standing, to the Quarterfinals by defeating Orlando City SC 2-1.

# FINAL SPRING STANDINGS

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	TEAM	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1*	Indy Eleven	10	4	6	0	15	8	+7	18
2	<b>New York Cosmos</b>	10	6	0	4	15	8	+7	18
3	FC Edmonton	10	5	2	3	9	7	+2	17
4	Minnesota United FC	10	5	1	4	16	12	+4	16
5	Tampa Bay Rowdies	10	4	4	2	-11	9	+2	16
6	<b>Fort Lauderdale Strikers</b>	10	4	3	3	12	12	0	15
7	Carolina RailHawks	10	4	2	4	-11	13	-2	14
8	Rayo OKC	10	3	3	4	11	12	-1	12
9	Ottawa Fury FC	10	2	3	5	9	14	-5	9
10	Jacksonville Armada FC	10	1	4	5	5	11	-6	7
-11	Miami FC	10	1	4	5	7	15	-8	7
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position overall heading into the Fall.



Head Coach Alessandro Nesta's side opened the year with a 1-1 draw in Fort Lauderdale against the Strikers, but was unable to grab the club's first ever victory until their 8th match of the season - a 1-0 win in Miami against FC Edmonton.

Perhaps the lone bright spot so far on the season for Miami is forward Dario Cvitanich, who tallied three goals during the Spring Season, putting him among the top 10 goalscorers in the league for 2016.

Miami FC made a big splash in league transfer market late in the Spring, acquiring midfielders Richie Ryan and Michael Lahoud from Jacksonville and New York respectively. Just before the Fall Season kicked off, Miami made waves in the transfer market once again. signing Kwadwo Poku away from MLS side New York City FC. The Blue and Orange will be looking for big efforts in the fall from these key additions as they hope to climb into the hunt for one of the three remaining spots in the NASL Championship.

# OPPONENT ROSTER

		OPPONENT ROSTER	Ft. Lauderdale
			STRIKERS
#	<b>Position</b>	Name	
1	GK	David Sierra	
5	D	Jonathan Borrajo	
3	D	Brad Rusin	
4	D	<b>Adailton Jose dos Santos</b>	
5	D	Mason Trafford	
6	F	Ariel Martinez	
7	M	Roberto Alterio	
8	M	<b>Wilson Palacios</b>	
9	F	Jaime Chavez	
10	M	Kwadwo Poku	
11	F	Aaron Dennis	
12	F	Dario Cvitanich	
13	D	Jorge Luis Corrales	
14	M	Robert Baggio Kcira	
16	D	Hugo Leroux	
17	GK	<b>Mario Daniel Vega</b>	
18	D	Rhett Bernstein	
19	M	Dane Richards	
<b>20</b>	M	Richie Ryan	
21	M	Calvin Rezende	
55	M	Conner Rezende	
23	M	Blake Smith	
24	D	Joe Franco	
26	M	Michael Lahoud	
28	D	Gabriel Farfán	
33	GK	Lionel Brown	
83	F	Pablo Campos	

# **TECHNICAL STAFF**





# CAIO ZANARDI General Manager + Head Coach

Caio Zanardi was appointed Head Coach of the Strikers on December 2, 2015. Zanardi will oversee all soccer operations as general manager, a position he was appointed to in July 2015. Zanardi comes to the Strikers after nearly three years working for Brazil's national soccer federation (Confederação Brasileira de Futebol). Prior to his role at the highest level of Brazil's soccer pyramid, Zanardi served six years as soccer director for Al-Nasr Sports Club, a top team in the United Arab Emirates. "While I was happy in Brazil, I couldn't turn down this opportunity," said Zanardi. "I believe in where the Strikers are going and I want to be a part of it." Zanardi's coaching credentials include an English FA International License, learning at the hands of renowned soccer coaches Fabio Capello, Sven-Göran Eriksson, Louis van Gaal and Carlo Ancelotti. Zanardi's résumé includes time with Palmeiras, Audax/Pão de Açucar - SP and Paulista de Jundiaí.



PHILLIP DOS SANTOS Assistant Coach



RICARDO LOPES Goalkeepers Coach



CASSIANO COSTA
Strength + Conditioning



BRUNO COSTA Assistant GM



LEANDRO ROSA Physiologist



MARTIN YACONIS
Sports Tech Engineer



VICTOR CARDOSO
Team Administrator



OLAF HENKE U-23 Head Coach

# **2016 FORT LAUDERDALE STRIKERS**





# 10 ADRIANINHO Midfielder

5'9" | 152 lbs | Born: 07/11/1980 Hometown: Jundaí, Brazil Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season) @adrianinhomeia

# **44 GALE AGBOSSOUMONDE Defender**

6'1" | 206 lbs | Born: 11/17/1991 Hometown: Syracuse, NY Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season) @galecuse17



# 18 JEAN-MARC ALEXANDRE Midfielder

5'11" | 190 lbs | Born: 08/24/1986 Hometown: Delray Beach, FL Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season)

# 19 JOSE ANGULO Forward

5'11" | 180 lbs | Born: 01/13/1988 Hometown: Paterson, NJ Joined Strikers: 2015 (2nd Season) @j\_angulo18



# 17 BRYAN ARGUEZ Midfielder

6'0" | 170 lbs | Born: 10/02/1992

Hometown: Miami, FL

JARNITA

Joined Strikers: 2011 (2nd Season - Re-ioined in 2016)

# 5 NANA ATTAKORA Defender

6'1" | 185 lbs | Born: 03/27/1989 Hometown: North York, Ontario, Canada Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season)



# **20 CHRISTIAN BLANDON Midfielder**

6'0" | 170 lbs | Born: 10/02/1992 Hometown: Miami. FL

Joined Strikers: 2015 (2nd Season)

# **2016 FORT LAUDERDALE STRIKERS**

# 1 BRUNO CARDOSO Goalkeeper

6'5" | 194 lbs | Born: 06/27/1984 Hometown: São Paulo, Brazil Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season)





5'9" | 152 lhs | Born: 03/11/1992 Hometown: Níterol, Brazil Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season)



Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season)

# 16 LUIS FELTPE FERNANDES Midfielder

6'1" | 185 lbs | Born: 01/29/1996 Hometown: Mineola, NY Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season)

# 77 GABRIEL Defender

5'7" | 150 lbs | Born: 06/05/1981 Hometown: São Paulo. Brazil Joined Strikers: 2015 (2nd Season)

# 92 GIUSEPPE GENTILE Forward

6'0" | 165 lhs | Born: 10/18/1982 Hometown: Miami. FL

Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season)

@GiussiJuice7

# 23 MANNY GONZALEZ Midfielder

5'6" | 150 lbs | Born: 06/03/1990 Hometown: Pompano Beach, FL Joined Strikers: 2013 (4th Season) @mannysgonzalez









# 3 NEIL HLAVATY Midfielder

6'0" | 170 lbs | Born: 12/27/1986 Hometown: Berwyn, IL Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season) @hlavatybud4



# 14 JULIUS JAMES Defender

6'0" | 170 lbs | Born: 07/09/1984 Hometown: Maloney Gardens, Trinidad & Tobago Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season) mrjuliusjames 🍑 🍅

# **8 KLÉBERSON** Midfielder

5'9" | 140 lhs | Born: 06/19/1979 Hometown: Uraí, Brazil Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season) @kleberson 8

# **7 GEISON MOURA Forward**

5'10" | 171 lbs | Born: 07/16/1986 Hometown: São Caetano do Sul. Brazil Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season)

@GeisonMoura

# 9 RAMÓN NUÑEZ Midfielder

5'7" | 155 lbs | Born: 11/14/1985 Hometown: Tegucigalpa, Honduras Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season)



# 6 PC Midfielder

5'8" | 185 lhs | Born: 03/10/1994 Hometown: São Paulo, Brazil Joined Strikers: 2015 (2nd Season)



5'11" | 152 lbs | Born: 03/15/1983 Hometown: Bolingbrook, IL Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season) @VictorPineda93







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# **2016 FORT LAUDERDALE STRIKERS**

# 12 DIEGO RESTREPO Goalkeeper

6'0" | 195 lbs | Born: 02/25/1988 Hometown: Miami, FL Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season) Mediegorestrepogk



# 98 MATIAS REYNARES Goalkeeper

6'1" | 185 lbs | Born: 10/25/1998 Hometown: Weston, FL Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season)



6'0" | 180 lbs | Born: 05/30/1989 Hometown: Miami, FL Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season) @Asacovertiz



# 29 MAICON SANTOS Forward

6'2" | 200 lbs | Born: 04/18/1984 Hometown: Paracambi, Brazil Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season)

# 21 LUIS ZAPATA Defender

5'10" | 170 lbs | Born: 04/24/1980 Hometown: Cali, Colombia Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season) @Quiszapa19



# 99 HOTSHOT Mascot

7'0" | 200 lbs | Born: 04/09/2011 Hometown: The Sun

Joined Strikers: 2011 (6th Season)

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Red & Gold are the colors that are being talked about in the American soccer world this summer.

But before we get to why, let's start with a history lesson. The Strikers, and all other professional teams in the United States, compete each year in the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup, the third oldest running soccer competition in the world. Originally known as the National Challenge Cup, the U.S. Open Cup was named in honor of US Soccer pioneer Lamar Hunt in 1999.

In addition to the 43 fullyprofessional MLS, NASL and USL clubs playing in the tournament (professional clubs owned/





**HISTORY** - The Fall River Rovers (top) and Chicago Fire (bottom) with the original Dewar Cup trophy.

operated by higher level professional teams are ineligible to compete, which bars nine USL teams from the tournament), amateur clubs from all over the US also enter, bringing the total for 2016 to 91 teams.

The original trophy, the Dewar Cup, was named in honor of Sir Thomas Dewar for his works in promoting the game of soccer in the early 1900s. While the original trophy has been retired and resides at the National Soccer Hallf of Fame, each champion's name is still inscribed on the Dewar Cup.

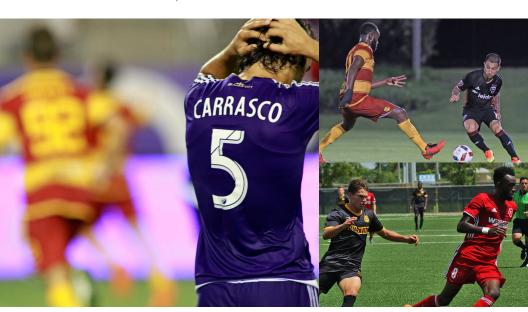


Fort Lauderdale's Cinderella run began on June 1, with a home matchup vs the USL's Richmond Kickers (the 1995 Open Cup Champion) played at Broward College's South Campus. The Strikers took an early lead on a stunning Manny Gonzalez free kick goal (his first ever competitive goal for the Strikers in his 3+ seasons with the club), but Richmond equalized before halftime, setting up hard fought defensive dual for the remainder of the game.

After a weather delay of over an hour, the match went into extra time, and after 30

Champions D.C. United of MLS. The fans who came to the Maryland SoccerPlex were treated to 120 minutes of scoreless soccer, with both sides narrowly missing chances throughout the match that could have won the game.

Once again it was off to the penatly shootout, where the Strikers would once again rely on Restrepo, who made a crucial save to give Matheus Carvalho a chance to win it. Carvalho calmy slotted the final kick home and the Strikers would advance to Round 5 by a score of 3-4 on penalty kicks.



HEARTBREAKERS - The Strikers ended the Cup dreams of Richmond, DC and Orlando so far in the 2016 tournament

additional minutes of scoreless soccer, the game went to penalty kicks to determine who would advance to Round 4 of the tournament.

Diego Restrepo would come up huge in goal, saving 3 shots and allowing no goals in the shootout, leading the Strikers to a 2-0 PK win.

Next up was a trip to the nation's capital for a Round 4 matchup with 3-time Open Cup

The Round of 16 saw the club travelling 3 hours up the Florida Turnpike to Orlando, for a first-ever meeting between Orlando City SC and the Strikers.

José Angulo would strike first for Fort Lauderdale, beating the offside trap in the 12th minute and converting the one-on-one chance to make it 1-0. The elation was short lived, however, as Orlando's Kevin Molino





equalized just moments later. What followed was an intensely physical match, which included 38 fouls and a double sending off in the 66th minute, with Orlando's Molino and the Strikers' Majcon Santos shown red.

With both sides at 10 men, the Strikers headed to extra time for the third consecutive Cup match. They seemed destined for a third straight PK shootout as well, but Strikers defender PC made sure that wouldn't happen. After a quick restart on a free kick near the center circle, the young Brazilian took the ball and made a phenomenal run through the Orlando defense before finding space at the top of the box and curling a low shot past the keeper and into the net.

PC's 120th minute heroics sent the travelling supporters into a frenzy, and it sent the Strikers on to the Quarterfinals of the tournament. It also won the Strikers a \$15,000 prize for the highest finishing club from the 2nd division. Of the eight remaining clubs, only Fort Lauderdale hails from outside of Major League Soccer, and now they head to take on the 4-time Open Cup Champion Chicago Fire on July 20th in the Windy City.

The run to the Quarterfinals has been thrilling, but the Strikers have no intention of stopping there. Another night of magic surely awaits in Chicago.





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# **PLAYER FEATURE**



**Born: January 29, 1996** Hometown: Mineola, NY

Ht: 6'1" Wt: 178 Lhs

**Previous Club: Cruzeiro (BRA)** 

Luis Felipe Fernandes joined the Strikers with a proven pedigree at the youth level, playing with the academy of Brazilian side Cruzeiro from 2008-2015, where he was a member of the 2013 IMG Cup U-20 Championship winning team.

Born in the United States to Brazilian parents. Fernandes has represented the United States National Team at the youth level, playing with the U-20 United States team under coach Tab Ramos. Luis participated in qualifying for the 2014 FIFA U-20 World Cup with the U-20s.

Fernandes has become a staple in the Strikers lineup in his first season with the club, playing in every NASL and U.S. Open Cup match so far in 2016. Luis is second on the team with 1202 minutes played, second only to Gale Agbossoumonde's 1260, and is one of only four Strikers to have appeared in every game in 2016.

In addition to providing solid minutes in the defensive midfield, Fernandes has also contributed offensively, chalking up two assists, which alongside Nana Attakora's two, are second most on the team.



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