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# 2016 STRIKERS SCHEDULE



## SPRING SEASON Home games in RED

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 0-0 (3-4 PKS)
WEDNESDAY, JULY 29	AT ORLANDO CITY SC*	7:30 PM	W 1-2 (AET)

## FALL SEASON

SATURDAY, JULY 2	MIAMI FC	7:00 PM	D 1-1
SUNDAY, JULY 10	AT FC EDMONTON	4:00 PM	L 1-0
WEDNESDAY, JULY 13	AT INDY ELEVEN	7:30 PM	L 3-0
SATURDAY, JULY 16	CAROLINA RAILHAWKS	7:00 PM	L 0-1
WEDNESDAY, JULY 20	AT CHICAGO FIRE*	8:30 PM	L 3-0
SATURDAY, JULY 23	AT MINNESOTA UNITED FC	8:00 PM	L 3-1
SATURDAY, JULY 30	JACKSONVILLE ARMADA FC	7:00 PM	W 1-0
SATURDAY, AUGUST 6	AT TAMPA BAY ROWDIES	7:30 PM	L 2-1
SATURDAY, AUGUST 13	AT MIAMI FC	8:00 PM	W 0-2
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17	AT JACKSONVILLE ARMADA FC	6:30 PM	D 1-1
SATURDAY, AUGUST 20	OTTAWA FURY FC	7:00 PM	W 3-1
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31	MINNESOTA UNITED FC	7:30 PM	D 0-0
SATURDAY, SEPT. 3	NEW YORK COSMOS	7:00 PM	D 0-0
SATURDAY, SEPT. 10	INDY ELEVEN	7:00 PM	W 2-1
SUNDAY, SEPT. 18	AT RAYO OKLAHOMA CITY	8:00 PM	D 1-1
SATURDAY, SEPT. 24	TAMPA BAY ROWDIES	7:00 PM	L 1-4
WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 28	AT PUERTO RICO FC	7:30 PM	L 2-1
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2	AT NEW YORK COSMOS	6:00 PM	L 2-0
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8	AT CAROLINA RAILHAWKS	7:30 PM	L 3-0
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12	FC EDMONTON	7:30 PM	THIS-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	ESPN3

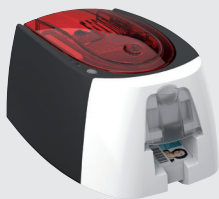
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# NORTH AMERICAN SOCCER LEAGUE



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

- Carolina RailHawks
- FC Edmonton
- Fort Lauderdale Strikers
- Indy 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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# AROUND THE NASL



With just a few weeks remaining in the 2016 NASL Regular Season, all but one of the league's twelve clubs remain in the race to qualify for the NASL Championship. **FC Edmonton** officially punched their ticket to the postseason, joining **Indy Eleven** and the **New York Cosmos**, with a 1-0 victory over the **Tampa Bay Rowdies** on a frigid Sunday matchup in Alberta, Canada. The **Carolina RailHawks** have shot up the table in recent weeks, aided in part by a 3-0 victory over the **Fort Lauderdale Strikers** in Cary in a match rescheduled due to Hurricane Matthew. The **RailHawks** now sit just one point behind **Minnesota United FC** for the 4th and final postseason spot.

Even with Carolina in the combined table are the **Tampa Bay Rowdies**, who have also climbed up the standings, going unbeaten in four of their last five games. Expansion sides **Rayo OKC** and **Miami FC** also find themselves right in the mix for the postseason, both within one win of catching Minnesota for that last spot. **Ottawa Fury FC** sit in tenth place overall, and **Jacksonville Armada FC** is currently last among teams who have played the entire 2016 schedule, though both are still mathematically alive in the postseason race.

**Puerto Rico FC**, who joined for the Fall 2016 Season, are the only club mathematically eliminated from both the Fall Season Championship and overall postseason race, but a recent stretch of good form has seen them climb to tenth place in the Fall, and within two points of Jacksonville in the overall standings.

## 2016 COMBINED STANDINGS AS OF 10/11/16

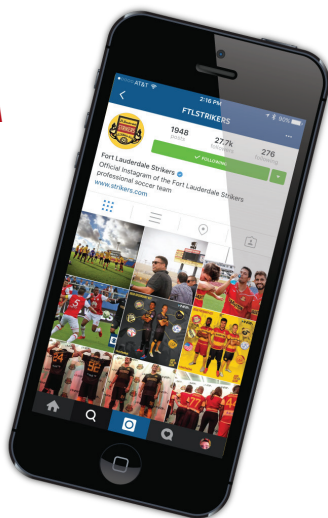
	TEAM	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	New York Cosmos <sup>*F</sup>	29	17	5	7	50	27	+23	56
2	FC Edmonton <sup>*</sup>	28	14	8	6	23	16	+7	50
3	Indy Eleven <sup>*S</sup>	27	12	9	6	41	29	+12	45
4	Minnesota United FC	29	10	8	11	38	34	+4	38
5	Tampa Bay Rowdies	28	9	10	9	33	32	+1	37
6	Carolina RailHawks	28	10	7	11	34	42	-8	37
7	Miami FC	28	9	9	10	33	33	0	36
8	Rayo OKC	28	8	11	9	31	31	0	35
9	Fort Lauderdale Strikers	28	8	8	12	27	38	-11	32
10	Ottawa Fury FC	28	7	9	13	30	35	-5	30
11	Jacksonville Armada FC	27	4	11	12	22	37	-15	23
12	Puerto Rico FC	19	4	9	6	17	25	-8	21

<sup>S</sup>Spring Champion <sup>F</sup>Fall Leader <sup>\*</sup>Clinched Postseason Spot



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## KNOW YOUR OPPONENT

### FC EDMONTON

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2016**



**Founded: 2010 (NASL DEBUT 2011)**

**Home Stadium: Clarke Stadium**

**Head Coach: Colin Miller**

**2016 Record: 14-8-6 (50 points, 2nd Place)**

The Eddies visit Fort Lauderdale for the only time in 2016 as they finish up the most successful regular season in club history. Edmonton have already set club records for both points and wins in a season (with four games still to play), and have only conceded 16 goals on the year, which is almost half as many as the next best defense in the league.

The "Rally Rabbit" was in full effect this past Sunday, as Edmonton's 1-0 victory over the Tampa Bay Rowdies at snow-dusted Clarke Stadium clinched their first NASL postseason berth since the club's debut season in 2011. Strikers fans will remember that Edmonton postseason appearance well, as it ended in a 5-0 defeat in Fort Lauderdale at the hands of the Strikers.

Edmonton's league leading defense has proven key to their success in 2016, as offensively they have scored the third-fewest goals, ahead of only Jacksonville and Puerto Rico. Matt van Oekel leads the way for Edmonton with 92 saves (2nd in the league) and 15 clean sheets (1st). Edmonton's 23 goals scored are split between eight players, with Daryl Fordyce leading the pack with six to his name in 2016.

While they have already secured their spot in the postseason, Edmonton is still chasing down the New York Cosmos for the Fall Championship title and the right to host their match in the semifinal round, so the Strikers should expect a side playing to win for tonight's match.

# OPPONENT ROSTER



#	Position	Name
1	GK	Matt VanOekel
2	D	Allan Zebie
4	D	Papé Diakité
5	D	Albert Watson
6	M	Nik Ledgerwood
7	M	Cristian Raudales
9	M	Ben Fisk
11	M	Dustin Corea
12	M	Pedro Galvao
13	F	Frank Jonke
13	D	Karsten Smith
14	M	Sainey Nyassi
16	F	Daryl Fordyce
18	F	Tomi Ameobi
20	M	Gustavo
21	GK	Tyson Farago
22	D	Shawn Nicklaw
23	F	Jake Keegan
24	D	Johann Smith
25	D	Marko Aleksic
26	GK	Christian Kaiswatum
26	M	Shamit Shome
27	M	Nicolas Di Biase
29	GK	Nathan Ingham
44	D	Adam Eckersley





## 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 Açúcar - 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: Jundá, 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)



## 15 AMAURI Forward

6'2" | 183 lbs | Born: 06/03/1980  
Hometown: Carapicuíba, Brazil  
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  
Joined Strikers: 2011 (2nd Season - Re-joined in 2016)



## 5 NANA ATTAKORA Defender

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





# 2016 FORT LAUDERDALE STRIKERS

## 20 CHRISTIAN BLANDON Midfielder

6'0" | 170 lbs | Born: 10/02/1992  
Hometown: Miami, FL  
Joined Strikers: 2015 (2nd Season)



## 1 BRUNO CARDOSO Goalkeeper

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



## 13 JORGE LUIS CORRALES Defender

5'9" | 168 lbs | Born: 05/20/1991  
Hometown: Pinar del Rio, Cuba  
Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season)



## 2 DALTON Defender

6'1" | 174 lbs | Born: 02/05/1990  
Hometown: Rio de Janeiro, Brazil  
Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season)



## 16 LUIS FELIPE 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)



## 23 MANNY GONZALEZ Midfielder

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



### 3 NEIL HLA VATY 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 lbs | Born: 06/19/1979  
Hometown: Uraí, Brazil  
Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season)  
[@kleber\\_\nson\\_8](#)



### 7 GEISON MOURA Forward

5'10" | 171 lbs | Born: 07/16/1986  
Hometown: São Caetano do Sul, Brazil  
Joined Strikers: 2016 (1st Season)  
[@Ge\\_\nsonMoura](#)



### 9 RAMÓN NUÑEZ Midfielder

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



### 11 PAULO JR Forward

5'5" | 158 lbs | Born: 01/23/1989  
Hometown: Teresina, Brazil  
Joined Strikers: 2012 (3rd Season - Re-joined in 2016)



### 27 VICTOR PINEDA Midfielder

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







## 98 **MATIAS REYNARES** Goalkeeper

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



## 24 **AURELIO SACO VÉRTIZ** Defender

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)  
[@luiszapa19](#)



## 99 **HOTSHOT** Mascot

7'0" | 200 lbs | Born: 04/09/2011  
Hometown: The Sun  
Joined Strikers: 2011 (6th Season)  
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As part of the partnership, the Strikers have gone pink throughout the month of October with various initiatives to

help in the campaign at both home and away matches.

The most visible of these efforts are new, custom pink and white hooped jerseys that the Strikers will be wearing for all six October NASL matches.

These special jerseys worn by the players will be raffled off following the

Strikers final home match on October 22 vs Rayo OKC, and fans can also purchase limited edition replicas online at [Strikers.com/Shop](http://Strikers.com/Shop).

All proceeds from the game-worn jersey raffle and 10% of the proceeds from online jersey sales will go directly to the Breast Cancer Research Foundation, AutoNation's charitable partner for the #DrivePink campaign.

In addition to the special jerseys, the Strikers and AutoNation are giving fans the chance to win a new car on Saturday, October 15 during halftime of the match vs Puerto Rico FC at Central Broward Stadium. Fans can register for a chance to win in the Fan Zone tonight and throughout the first half of Saturday's match. The lucky contestant who will have a shot at a new car will be announced prior to halftime of Saturday's match.

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## JULIUS JAMES DEFENDER

**Born:** July 9, 1984

**Hometown:** Maloney Gardens, Trinidad & Tobago

**Ht:** 6'0" **Wt:** 170 Lbs

**Previous Club:** San Antonio Scorpions (NASL / USA)

Julius James has quickly become a staple in the Strikers defensive corps in his first season in Fort Lauderdale.

The native of Trinidad & Tobago joined the Strikers from the San Antonio Scorpions, where he made 31 appearances over two years as a member of the 2014 NASL Champions.

Drafted 9th overall in the 2008 MLS SuperDraft by Toronto FC, James has since made stops with the Houston Dynamo, Minnesota Thunder, D.C. United, Columbus Crew, Carolina RailHawks and San Antonio prior to joining the Strikers.

Julius has also featured at the senior international level for Trinidad & Tobago, making 16 appearances since 2008 for "The Soca Warriors".

In 2016, James has made 20 appearances for the Strikers (17 starts) and logged a total of 1,694 minutes, include three starts and 330 minutes during the Strikers run to the quarterfinals in the 2016 Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup.



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