

NASL SPRING SEASON GAME #2 / COMBINED SEASON GAME #2

# Indy Eleven

(OW-1D-0L, 1 pt., 6th in 2016 NASL Spring)

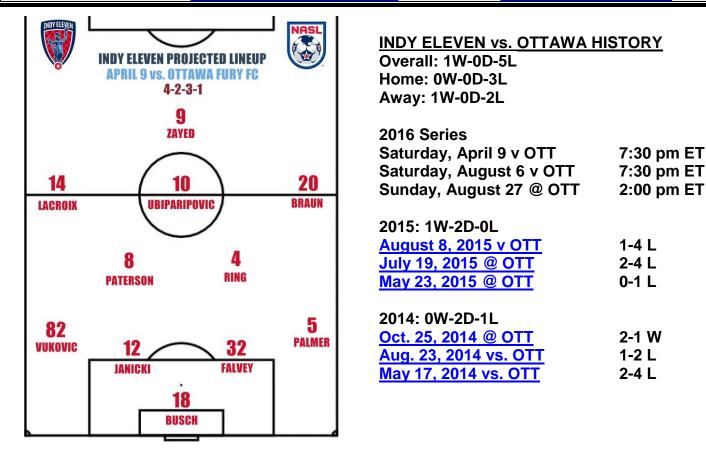
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# **Ottawa Fury FC**

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Saturday, April 9, 2016 – IUPUI Carroll Stadium in Indianapolis, IN – 7:30 p.m. ET

TV: WISH-TV (local) & belN Sports (national); STREAMING VIDEO: <u>belN CONNECT</u> (subscription) RADIO: Exitos Radio 1590 AM (Spanish); STREAMING AUDIO: <u>www.Exitos1590.com</u> (Spanish) ONLINE UPDATES: <u>@IndyElevenLive Twitter feed</u>; LIVE STATS: <u>NASL.com Match Center</u>





# INDY ELEVEN ROSTER (as of 04/08/2016)

#	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown	Nationality	DoB	Last Club
1	Keith Cardona	GK	6'4"	200	Glen Rock, NJ	USA	11/07/92	FC Leifering (Austria/2)
2	Neil Shaffer	DF	5'11"	175	Aliquippa, PA	USA	02/14/89	Harrisburg City Islanders (USL)
4	Brad Ring	MF	5'10"	165	Rockford, IL	USA	04/07/87	Portland Timbers (MLS)
^ 5	Lovel Palmer	DF	5'10"	160	Mandeville, Jamaica	Jamaica/USL	08/30/84	Chicago Fire SC (MLS)
6	Dylan Mares	MF	5'9"	160	South Bend, IN	USA	02/11/92	Indiana University (NCAA)
7	Don Smart	MF	5'9"	170	Kingston, Jamaica	Jamaica/USA	12/02/87	RVA FC (NPSL)
* 8	Nicki Paterson	MF	5'11"	155	Motherwell, Scotland	Scotland	01/19/85	Ottawa Fury FC (NASL)
* 9	Eamon Zayed	FW	6'2"	200	Dublin, Ireland	Ireland/Libya	10/04/83	Sabah FA (Malaysia/1)
^ 10	Siniša Ubiparipović	MF	5'9"	163	Cleveland, OH	Bosnia & Herz./USA	08/25/83	Ottawa Fury FC (NASL)
12	Greg Janicki	DF	6'3"	195	New Baltimore, MI	USA	07/09/84	San Antonio Scorpions (NASL)
14	Duke Lacroix	FW	5'9"	155	New Egypt, NJ	USA	10/14/93	Univ. of Pennsylvania (NCAA)
15	Daniel Keller	DF	6'0"	165	Carmel, IN	USA	02/07/92	Univ. of Louisville (NCAA)
16	Cory Miller	DF	6'2"	185	Zionsville, IN	USA	07/22/88	Los Angeles Blues (USL PRO)
18	Jon Busch	GK	5'10"	165	Queens, NY	USA	08/18/76	Chicago Fire SC (MLS)
19	Wojciech Wojcik	FW	6'4"	209	Elmwood Park, IL	Poland/USA	05/31/92	Ilves (Finland/2)
20	Justin Braun	FW	6'2"	195	Salt Lake City, UT	USA	03/31/87	Sacramento Republic FC (USL)
23	Marco Franco	DF	5'11"	155	Chino Hills, CA	USA	10/06/91	Chicago Fire (MLS)
^ 24	Jair Reinoso	FW	6'0"	170	Cali, Colombia	Colombia/USA	06/07/85	Zhejiang Yiteng (China/2)
* 32	Colin Falvey	DF	6'1″	185	Cork City, Ireland	Ireland	06/20/85	Ottawa Fury FC (NASL)
* 33	Gorka Larrea	MF	5'11"	165	San Sebastian, Spain	Spain	04/07/84	Montreal Impact FC (MLS)
* 82	Nemanja Vuković	DF	6'3"	180	Podgorica, Montenegro	Montenegro	04/13/84	Sacramento Republic FC (USL)
*	Omar Gordon	FW				Jamaica	10/08/91	Montego Bay United (Jamaica/1

#### \* = international roster slot

Head Coach: Tim Hankinson Assistant Coach: Tim Regan Director of Goalkeeping: Jon Busch Head Athletic Trainer: Brian Gerlach Team Operations Manager: Andy Piggush Equipment Manager: John Roeder Team Physician: Dr. Daniel Kraft

### **Pronunciation Guide**

^ = holds U.S. Green Card (does not count against int'l roster allocation)

Justin Braun Keith Cardona Greg Janicki Duke Lacroix Gorka Larrea Dylan Mares Lovel Palmer Jair Reinoso Neil Shaffer Siniša Ubiparipović Nemanja Vuković Wojciech Wojcik Eamon Zayed BRAWN car-DOUGH-nah JAN-ick-ee Ia-KWA gore-KA lar-RAY-ah MAIRES Iuh-vell JYE-ear ray-NO-so SHAY-fer sin-EE-sha OO-be-pare-ee-poe-vich neh-MAHN-yah VOO-kah-vich VOO-check VOO-cheek AYE-mon ZYE-ed

# **INDY ELEVEN 2016 NASL SPRING SEASON SCHEDULE**

\*\*\* Match dates & times are subject to change

Date	Time (ET)	Opponent	Venue
Sat., April 2	7:30 pm	at Tampa Bay Rowdies	Al Lang Stadium – St. Petersburg, FL
Sat., April 9	7:30 pm	vs. Ottawa Fury FC	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN
Sat., April 16	7:30 pm	vs. New York Cosmos	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN
Sat., April 30	8:00 pm	at Rayo OKC	Miller Stadium – Oklahoma City, OK
Sat., May 7	7:30 pm	vs. FC Edmonton	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN
Sat., May 14	7:00 pm	at Fort Lauderdale Strikers	Lockhart Stadium – Fort Lauderdale, FL
Sat., May 21	7:30 pm	vs. Minnesota United FC	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN
Sat., May 28	7:00 pm	at Jacksonville Armada FC	Community First Park – Jacksonville, FL
Sat., June 4	8:00 pm	at Miami FC	FIU Stadium – Miami, FL
Sat., June 11	7:30 pm	vs. Carolina RailHawks	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN

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# INDY ELEVEN 2016 NASL FALL SEASON SCHEDULE

\*\*\* Match dates & times are subject to change

<b>Date</b> Sat., July 2	<b>Time (ET)</b> 7:30 pm	<b>Opponent</b> at Puerto Rico FC	<b>Venue</b> Juan Ramón Loubriel Stadium – Bayamón, PR
Sat., July 9	7:30 pm	vs. Minnesota United FC	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN
Wed., July 13	7:30 pm	vs. Ft. Lauderdale Strikers	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN
Sat., July 16	8:00 pm	at Minnesota United FC	National Sports Center Stadium – Blaine, MN
Sat., July 23	7:30 pm	vs. FC Edmonton	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN
Sat., July 30	8:00 pm	at Miami FC	FIU Stadium – Miami, FL
Wed., Aug. 3	7:30 pm	vs. Jacksonville Armada FC	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN
Sat., Aug. 6	7:30 pm	vs. Ottawa Fury FC	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN
Sat., Aug. 13	7:30 pm	vs. Rayo OKC	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN
Sat., Aug. 20	7:30 pm	at Carolina RailHawks	WakeMed Soccer Park – Cary, NC
Sun., Aug. 28	2:00 pm	at Ottawa Fury FC	TD Place – Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
Wed., Aug. 31	7:30 pm	at New York Cosmos	James M. Shuart Stadium – Hempstead, NY
Sat., Sep. 3	7:30 pm	vs. Tampa Bay Rowdies	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN
Sat., Sep. 10	7:00 pm	at Ft. Lauderdale Strikers	Lockhart Stadium – Fort Lauderdale, FL
Sat., Sep. 17	7:30 pm	vs. Miami FC	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN
Sat., Sep. 24	7:30 pm	vs. New York Cosmos	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN
Sun., Oct. 2	4:00 pm	at FC Edmonton	Clarke Field – Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
Sat., Oct. 8	7:00 pm	at Jacksonville Armada	Community First Park – Jacksonville, FL
Sat., Oct. 15	7:30 pm	vs. Carolina RailHawks	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN
Wed., Oct 19	7:30 pm	at Tampa Bay Rowdies	Al Lang Stadium – St. Petersburg, FL
Sat., Oct. 22	7:30 pm	vs. Puerto Rico FC	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN
Sun., Oct. 30	7:00 pm	at Rayo OKC	Miller Stadium – Oklahoma City, OK

# **INDY ELEVEN 2016 NASL SEASON STATISTICS**

UNF	POS	PLAYER	GP	GS	MIN	G	А	SHT	SOG	С	E
20	FW	Justin Braun	1	1	90	0	0	1	0	0	0
18	GK	Jon Busch	1	1	90	0	0	0	0	0	0
32	DF	Colin Falvey	1	1	90	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	DF	Greg Janicki	1	1	90	0	0	1	0	0	0
4	MF	Brad Ring	1	1	90	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	MF	Siniša Ubiparipović	1	1	90	0	0	1	0	0	0
82	DF	Nemanja Vuković	1	1	90	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	FW	Eamon Zayed	1	1	90	0	0	2	1	0	0
5	DF	Lovel Palmer	1	1	82	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	FW	Duke Lacroix	1	1	73	0	0	1	0	0	0
8	MF	Nicki Paterson	1	1	63	0	0	1	0	0	0
33	MF	Gorka Larrea	1	0	27	0	0	0	0	0	0
24	FW	Jair Reinoso	1	0	17	0	0	0	0	0	0
23	DF	Marco Franco	1	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	GK	Keith Cardona	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
-	FW	Omar Gordon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15	MF	Daniel Keller	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	MF	Dylan Mares	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16	DF	Cory Miller	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	DF	Neil Shaffer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	MF	Don Smart	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	FW	Wojciech Wojcik	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Eleven totals	1	1	90	0	0	7	1	2	0
		Opponent totals	1	1	90	0	0	12	3	3	0

GAME-WINNING GOALS: None GAME-WINNING ASSISTS: None PENALTY KICK ATTEMPTS: None

### INDY ELEVEN INDIVIDUAL GOALKEEPING

UNF	POS	GOALKEEPER	GP	GS	MIN	GA	GAA	SVS	PG	PA	W	D	L	SO
18	GK	Jon Busch	1	1	90	0	0.00	3	0	0	0	1	0	1
1	GK	Keith Cardona	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Eleven Totals	1	1	90	0	0.00	3	0	0	0	1	0	1
		Opponent totals	1	1	90	0	0.00	1	0	0	0	1	0	1

### **GOALS SCORED BY MINUTE**

	1-15'	16-30'	31-45+'	46-60'	61-75'	76-90+'	Total
Indy Eleven	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Opponent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

# NASL 2016 SPRING STANDINGS

Place	Team	GP	W-D-L	GD	Pts
1	New York Cosmos	1	1-0-0	+3	3
2	Carolina RailHawks	1	1-0-0	+1	3
3	Miami FC 💋 💋	1	0-1-0	0	1
4	Fort Lauderdale Strikers	1	0-1-0	0	1
5	FC Edmonton	1	0-1-0	0	1
6	Indy Eleven	1	0-1-0	0	1
7	Rayo OKC	1	0-1-0	0	1
8	Tampa Bay Rowdies 🥢	1	0-1-0	0	1
9	Jacksonville Armada FC	0	0-0-0	0	0
10	Minnesota United FC	1	0-0-1	-1	0
11	Ottawa Fury FC	1	0-0-1	-3	0

SPRING SEASON WEEK 1 RESULTS (Home-Awey)	SPRING SEASON WEEK 2 SCHEDULI (Horne-Away, all time EDT)				
Saturday, April 2	Saturday, April 9				
CAR 2:1 MNU	IND v. OTT - 7:30 PM				
FTL1:1 MIA	MIA v. TBR - 8:00 PM				
TBR 0: 0 IND	OKC v. CAR - 8:00 PM				
OKC 0:0 FCE	I Sunday, April 10				
Sunday, April 3	FCE v. MNU - 4:00 PM				
NYC 3:0 OTT	NYC v. JAX — 6:00 PM				
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### LAST TIME OUT - TAMPA BAY 0:0 INDY

Indy Eleven got a hard-earned point to kick off its 2016 season last Saturday in the Sunshine State, as "Indiana's Team" used a stout defensive effort to duel to a 0-0 draw with the Tampa Bay Rowdies in front of 5,740 fans at Al Lang Stadium. New goalkeeper Jon Busch would stop all three shots faced on the evening and the quickly-bonding ten men in front of him would frustrate the Tampa Bay attack throughout the evening, combining to register a clean sheet in the season opener.

### **Scoring Summary:**

None

### **Discipline Summary:**

TBR – Neill Collins (caution) 40' TBR – Darnell King (caution) 43' IND – Brad Ring (caution) 53' IND – Gorka Larrea (caution) 87' TBR – Zac Portillos (caution) 87'

**Indy Eleven line-up (4-2-3-1, L-->R):** Jon Busch; Nemanja Vukovic, Greg Janicki, Colin Falvey (capt), Lovel Palmer (Marco Franco 82'); Nicki Paterson (Gorka Larrea 63'), Brad Ring; Duke Lacroix (Jair Reinoso 73'), Sinisa Ubiparipovic, Justin Braun; Eamon Zayed

Eleven bench: Keith Cardona (GK), Cory Miller, Dylan Mares, Don Smart

**Tampa Bay Rowdies (4-2-3-1):** Matt Pickens; Zac Portillos, Neill Collins, Tamika Mkandawire (capt), Darnell King; Justin Chavez, Michael Nanchoff; Kalif Alhassan (Darwin Espinal 67'), Junior Burgos (Georgi Hristov 73'), Eric Avila; Tommy Heinemann

Rowdies bench: Michael Langer (GK), Jeremy Hall, Ben Sweat, Juan Guerra, Danny Mwanga

**DRAWING OUT THE START:** Indy Eleven's first two home debuts have both ended in a share of the spoils:

2014: The club's Inaugural Game on April 12, 2014, vs. Carolina saw Mike Ambersley score the first goal in team history in front of an overflow crowd of 11,048 fans at Carroll Stadium in the 43<sup>rd</sup> minute, but a Zach Schilawski tally in the 50<sup>th</sup> minute resulted in an eventual 1-1 draw.

2015: Indy Eleven finished 1-1 in their home opener for a second straight year, this time against the New York Cosmos – but the script was the same as it was in Season One. The Eleven would take the lead 12 minutes in when Brian Brown opened his Indy account by chipping Jimmy Maurer from distance, but superstar Raul would counter in the 65<sup>th</sup> minute, nodding home Ayoze's cross in traffic for the equalizer.

**INJURY REPORT:** For a second straight week midfielder Daniel Keller remains the only player ruled out of action due to injury, but the second year man got back to full training this week after rehabbing a bone bruise in his right leg that nagged him across the preseason. All the other "Boys in Blue" are expected to be able to give at least some minutes for head coach Tim Hankinson.

**NEW SEASON, NEW FACES:** Indy Eleven named American coaching veteran Tim Hankinson as the club's second permanent head coach on Dec. 2, and changes to the roster of "Indiana's Team" would be soon to follow. As it turns out, the 22-man roster as it currently stands is split nearly down the middle between returning players and newcomers – a trend that carried over to Hankinson's coaching staff thanks to the return of Tim Regan to an assistant role and the addition of veteran goalkeeper Jon Busch, who will serve as the squad's goalkeeping coach in addition to the team's first-choice netminder.

10 of those 12 players would end up making their Indy Eleven debut last Saturday in Tampa Bay, with 8 of them being penciled into the starting lineup (**starters at TBR bolded below**, *players off bench in italics*)

Returning (10)	Newcomers (12)
GK Keith Cardona	GK Jon Busch
DF Marco Franco	DF Colin Falvey
DF Greg Janicki	DF Lovel Palmer
DF Cory Miller	DF Neil Shaffer
MF Daniel Keller	DF Nemanja Vukovic
MF Dylan Mares	MF Gorka Larrea
MF Brad Ring	MF Nicki Paterson
MF Don Smart	MF Sinisa Ubiparipovic
FW Duke Lacroix	FW Justin Braun
FW Wojciech Wojcik	FW Jair Reinoso
	FW Eamon Zayed
	FW Omar Gordon

**GORDON NEWEST BOY IN BLUE:** Indy Eleven added its newest member of the squad officially on Friday in forward Omar Gordon. The 24-year-old Jamaican winger will come to Indianapolis from Red Stripe Premier League side Montego Bay United – the squad that his new head coach Tim Hankinson helped league to the top of the league table last fall prior to his departure – upon completion of visa paperwork and receipt of his international transfer certificate.

Gordon finished the recently concluded RSPL season atop the league's scoring chart with 19 tallies in league matches, surpassing his Montego Bay United teammate Dino Williams, who was tabbed to join the "Boys in Blue" before being unable to pas his entrance physical last month.

**FAMILIAR WITH FURY FC:** When it comes to getting a scouting report on Ottawa Fury FC, coach Tim Hankinson won't have to go very far. Three members of this year's Indy Eleven side – defender Colin Falvey and midfielders Sinisa Ubiparipovic and Nicki Paterson – were a part of last year's Fall Season Championship winning side in Ottawa, and the latter two also suited up for the Canadian club during its expansion season of 2014.

Falvey – who debuted as the Indy Eleven captain last Saturday at Tampa Bay – logged more than 2,800 minutes in his 32 starts for Ottawa last season. Ubiparipovic was also a mainstay in the Fury FC lineup, notching 9 goals and 10 assists across the last two seasons (50 appearances, including playoffs, 43 starts). Paterson saw both seasons in Ottawa cut short due to injuries, but did manage to scratch across 2 goals each season in 26 combined matches (9 in 2016).

Paterson had the distinction of scoring the game-winner for Ottawa in last year's 1-0 win over Indy in the Spring Season on May 23, while Ubiparipovic also terrorized the "Boys in Blue," scoring twice and adding an assist in his 6 career appearances against Indy.

**COMMON BONDS, PART II:** While there are plenty of fresh faces on the Indy Eleven roster, some of them happen to be quite familiar with each other from some earlier stops in the soccer universe ...

- Jon Busch & Lovel Palmer both joined after playing last season with MLS' Chicago Fire SC. Busch was also a teammate of Eleven midfielder Brad Ring with the San Jose Earthquakes from 2010-13.
- Nemanja Vukovic and Justin Braun both spent the last two years with Sacramento Republic FC, and helped the USL side win the league's championship during its inaugural season in 2014
- Indy Eleven lured a trio of players from expansion cohort Ottawa Fury FC in Colin Falvey, Nicki Paterson and Sinisa Ubiparipovic – the first two of which were also teammates with the Charleston Battery before going north of the border.
- Ubiparipovic spent his rookie season in 2007 with the New York Red Bulls alongside his new assistant coach, Tim Regan.
- Head coach Tim Hankinson made defender Greg Janicki one of the first players named to the San Antonio Scorpions' inaugural roster in advance of their 2012 season.
- Hankinson also coached newcomer Omar Gordon during his brief stint last fall with Jamaican Red Stripe Premier League side Montego Bay United.

**FOREIGN EXCHANGE:** The remake of Indy Eleven's roster this offseason included a complete turnover of the team's designated international roster slots. Players such as the first signing in team history, German goalkeeper Kristian Nicht, and captain for much of last season, Honduran defender Erick Norales, are now elsewhere, and six of the team's seven slots have been filled with newcomers with this week's addition of Omar Gordon. An additional three players that were foreign-born have American citizenship ... see the full list below:

- \* DF Colin Falvey Ireland
- \* FW Omar Gordon Jamaica
- \* MF Gorka Larrea Spain
- ^ DF Lovel Palmer Jamaica
- \* MF Nicki Paterson Scotland
- ^ FW Jair Reinoso Colombia
- ^ MF Don Smart Jamaica/USA
- ^ MF Sinisa Ubiparipovic Bosnia & Herzegovina
- \* DF Nemanja Vukovic Montenegro
- \* FW Eamon Zayed Ireland/Libya
- \* Designated as international players on roster
- ^ Holds U.S. Green Card or dual citizenship

**ARE YOU EXPERIENCED?** The common thread with Indy Eleven's batch of 11 newcomers can be summed up in one word – experience. Nine of the 11 new "Boys in Blue" are in their 30's, while the other two – Neil Shaffer (27) and Justin Braun (29) – have served as captain at their previous stop.

The average age of the group entering Saturday's game is 28.18 years, which ranks third in the NASL just behind Miami FC (28.29) and Rayo OKC (28.55). Goalkeeper Jon Busch, entering his 20<sup>th</sup> professional season, serves as the elder statesman of the group at 39 years of age, while second-year forward Duke Lacroix is the youngster at 22.

As it turns out, the "Boys in Blue have three birthdays surrounding Saturday's game – Brad Ring (29) and Gorka Larrea (32) both got a year older on Thursday, while Nemanja Vukovic will turn 33 himself next Friday.

**REINOSO ADDED, TRIO RELEASED:** Indy Eleven's roster got a shake up just days before the start of the season on March 29, when the squad added Colombian forward Jair Reinoso and parted ways with MF Dragan Stojkov (21 GP, 0G/2A in 2015), DF Stephen DeRoux & FW Dino Williams. The 30-year-old Reinoso has extensive experience in South America with Bolivian powerhouses The Strongest and Club Bolivar, Once Caldas and Cucuta Deportivo in his native Colombia and, most recently, with Chinese side Zhejiang Yiteng.

**STEPPING IN:** Interceptions ... they're not just for American football anymore! Thanks to the new Opta powered stats system, there are more categories to track than ever during NASL action in 2016, and the one that Indy Eleven leads after one week of Spring Season play is interceptions. The "Boys in Blue" led the way with 23 stepins last weekend at Tampa Bay, with center back Greg Janicki topping the squad with 5 (he also led the team with 9 clearances).

**VUKOVIC NAMED TO TEAM OF THE WEEK:** Defender Nemanja Vukovic made quote the impression in his Indy Eleven debut last week, as his contribution to Indy Eleven's shutout at Tampa Bay led to him being named to the NASL's initial Team of the Week in 2016. The offseason signing from USL's Sacramento Republic FC collected four interceptions and had a teah-high 66 touches at his left back position.

**OVER THE HUMP AT HOME:** After going winless in its first 12 home games at Carroll Stadium in 2014, Indy Eleven has since gone 8W-4D-5L in its last 17 league outings at "The Mike." Thanks to wins over Minnesota and Fort Lauderdale that closed out the 2015 season last October, Indy finished with a plus-.500 mark at Carroll Stadium, where it led the NASL in attendance both in 2014 (10,285) and 2015 (9,809):

All-time home record (2014-15): 8W-9D-12L (39 GF / 42 GA) 2015 Home record: 6W-4D-5L (23 GF / 20 GA) 2014 Home record: 2W-5D-7L (16 GF / 22 GA)

**LONG AND WINDING ROAD:** With last weekend's 0-0 draw at Tampa Bay to kick things off in 2016, Indy Eleven's all-time road record is now at 6W-10D-13L (32 GF /52 GA). Indy Eleven has taken a point out of all three of its trips to Al Lang Stadium.

**QUARTET OF HOOSIER STATE TIES:** Four players on the 2016 roster have links to the Hoosier State:

- Midfielder Daniel Keller was born and raised in north suburban Carmel and attended Brebeuf Jesuit H.S. in Indianapolis
- Keller's one-time teammate at the University of Louisville, midfielder Dylan Mares, was born in South Bend and also called Zionsville home before playing his last collegiate season in 2013 with Indiana University
- Zionsville was also the former stomping grounds of defender Cory Miller, who moved to Indiana in his teens
- Midfielder Brad Ring may have been born in neighboring Illinois, but he earned his Hoosier State cred with a standout career at Indiana University from 2005-08

**QUINTET OF ELEVEN ORIGINALS:** Three of those players – Brad Ring, Dylan Mares and Cory Miller – are among the five players remaining that spent time with Indy Eleven during its 2014 Inaugural Season. Ring, Mares and midfielder Don Smart were on the opening day roster in April 2014, while Miller and fellow defender Marco Franco would join two weeks apart that August and September, respectively.

### BRACE YOURSELF ... NO NASL HAT TRICKS

**YET**: While Wojciech Wojcik tallied a hat trick in preseason play against Arizona United and Blake Smith did the deed in U.S. Open Cup play in 2014 against the Dayton Dutch Lions, Indy Eleven is still looking for its first hat trick in NASL play heading into 2016. Four "Boys in Blue" have tallied a brace in regular season play – but none are included on the current roster:

Mike Ambersley: 6/07/14 @ ATL (3-3 D) Kleberson: 8/02/14 vs. ATL (2-4 L) Victor Pineda: 6/06/15 @ FTL (2-1 W) Zach Steinberger: 9/05/15 vs. JAX (3-0 W)

**2016 PRESEASON REVIEW:** Typically unpredictable Indiana weather and a rash of injuries during its short time in warmer climates put Indy Eleven behind schedule during its six-week preseason, but the "Boys in Blue" do seem to be hitting their stride when it comes to form and fitness. After kicking off the exhibition portion of the spring with a 9-v-9 scrimmage at Indiana University for a second straight year, Indy Eleven would go 2W-3D-3L in full-sided games. The silver lining was that Indy Eleven gave up multiple goals just once in the nine games and posted three clean sheets along the way, including both of its last two contests last week.

Feb 26 – at Indiana University 1 : 1 Indy Eleven \* Mar 2 – Indy Eleven 0 : 3 Ottawa Fury FC \* Mar 4 – Indy Eleven 4 : 0 Arizona United SC \* Mar 7 – Indy Eleven 0 : 1 Orange County Blues FC Mar 12 – Indy Eleven 1 : 1 FC Cincinnati ^ Mar 16 – Indy Eleven 1 : 1 Saint Louis FC Mar 19 – Indy Eleven 0 : 1 Louisville City FC Mar 23 – Indy Eleven 1 : 0 Butler University Mar 25 – at Univ. of Louisville 0 : 0 Indy Eleven

\* Arizona training camp at Grande Sports World ^ Evansville, IN

# INDY ELEVEN VS OTTAWA FURY FC – SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 2016 2016 INDY ELEVEN MINI BIOS

### \*\*\* FOR FULL PLAYER BIOGRAPHIES, PLEASE REFER TO INDYELEVEN.COM/ROSTER \*\*\*

#20 – JUSTIN BRAUN	FWD	6-2	195 lbs.	03/31/87	Salt Lake City, UT
Braun is entering the ninth season of his p	rofessional care	er, after sig	gning with Indy I	Eleven alongside fello	ow ex-Sacramento Republic FC
teammate Nemanja Vuković on 01/19/16	Kicked off pro	career in 2	2008 with six-ye	ar run in Major Leagu	ue Soccer with Chivas USA, Montreal
Impact, Real Salt Lake and Toronto FC, n	otching 27 goals	and 15 as	sists across 135	5 MLS regular seasor	and postseason games Joined
former Chivas USA coach Preki in 2014 a	s one of the first	signings w	vith Sacramento	, and was named the	budding USL powerhouse's captain
for both of its first two years Scored 14	goals and tallied	one assis	t during 49 appe	earances in official co	mpetitions with SRFC across 2014-
15, helping the side to the 2014 USL Char	npionship in the	team's Ina	ugural Season.		

 #18 – JON BUSCH
 GK
 5-10
 165 lbs.
 08/18/76
 Queens, NY

 Veteran goalkeeper to enter his 20<sup>th</sup> professional season with Indy Eleven after signing on 01/22/16 in a move that also saw him named an assistant coach for "Indiana's Team" ... Since entering the professional ranks in 1997, has made more than 450 starts in official competitions ... Spent the last 14 years climbing near the top of Major League Soccer's charts in numerous categories during stints with the Columbus Crew (2002-06), Chicago Fire SC (2007-09, 2015) and the San Jose Earthquakes (2010-2014), during which he racked up a 113W-92D-101L record in regular season play ... Left MLS ranked fourth in league history in goalkeeper games played (309), shutouts (83) and saves (1,151) and fifth in wins ... Queens, N.Y., native helped Columbus (2004) and San Jose (2012) to MLS regular season Supporters Shield titles, won the 2002 Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup with the Crew and earned the MLS Goalkeeper of the Year award and earned a spot on the MLS Best XI Team with the Earthquakes in 2008 ... Made 12 starts with Fire last season ... Began career with five seasons in the A-League (second division) from 1997-2001.

 #1 – KEITH CARDONA
 GK
 6-4
 200 lbs.
 11/07/92
 Glen Rock, N.

 Made 10 NASL appearances for Indy in 2015, including 7 of last 9 matches
 ... Registered career-high 4 saves on 9/12/15 @ SAS, 9/30 @ TBR

 & 10/03 @ JAX
 ... Registered first professional win and clean sheet of pro career on 09/05 v JAX in Indy's 3-0 win
 ... Made his Indy Eleven and professional debut on 5/09/15 @ JAX
 ... Originally signed by Indy Eleven on 03/27/15 and re-signed with squad on 12/16/15
 ... Product of the New York Red Bulls Academy system product spent time with the U.S. Under-17 and U-18 National Teams
 ... Helped Maryland reach the NCAA College Cup Semifinals during standout sophomore season in 2012 (16W-3D-1L, 1.14 GAA on season)

 PREVIOUS CLUBS:
 FC Leifering (Austria/2, 2014-15), University of Maryland (NCAA, 2010-13)

#32 – COLIN FALVEY	DEF	6-1	185 lbs.	06/20/85	Cork City, Ireland
Became second of three members of last year	's NASL Fal	I Season Ch	ampion and T	The Championship finalist	Ottawa Fury FC to join Indy
Eleven with his signing on 01/15/16 (alongside	Sinisa Ubip	paripovic & N	licki Paterson	<ol> <li>Started in all 32 appe</li> </ol>	arances made for the Canadian
club across all competitions last season, loggin	ng over 2,80	0 minutes	. Prior to his	year north of the border, F	alvey served as captain of the
USL's Charleston Battery during the latter port	ion of his fiv	e-season sti	int from 2010	-14 The 30-year-old be	gan his professional career in his
native Ireland in 2004 and has also plied his tra	ade in New	Zealand and	l India.		

**PREVIOUS CLUBS:** Ottawa Fury (NASL, 2015), Charleston Battery (USL, 2010-2014), Kerala Blasters [Indian Super League, 2014 (loan)], YoungHeart Manawatu (New Zealand ASB Youth League, 2009-2011), Wilmington Hammerheads (USL Second Division, 2009), Otago United (New Zealand ASB Premiership, 2008), Kilkenny City A.F.C. (League of Ireland, 2007-2008), Cobh Ramblers (League of Ireland, 2004-2007)

 #23 – MARCO FRANCO
 DEF
 5-11
 155 lbs.
 10/06/91
 Chino Hills, CA

 Led team in minutes played (2,377), starts (27) and games played (27) in 2015 ... Started and played all 90 minutes in last 6 games of 2014, which coincided with then-NASL modern record 397-minute shutout streak ... Made Indy Eleven debut in starting lineup as right back on 9/27/14 v. CAR ... Originally came to Indy Eleven on Ioan from MLS' Chicago Fire SC on 9/12/14 ... Re-signed for 2016 season on 12/03/15 ... Was selected in 1st Round (13<sup>th</sup> overall) in 2014 MLS SuperDraft by the Fire ... Rounded out standout 4-year career at UC-Irvine by being named Big West 2013 Defender of the Year

 PREVIOUS CLUBS: Chicago Fire SC (2014)

 #12 - GREG JANICKI
 DEF
 6-3
 195 lbs.
 7/09/84
 New Baltimore, M.

 Now entering his second season with Indy Eleven after re-signing on 12/03/15
 ... Was named the squad's captain at the start of the 2015

 season
 ... His 68 appearances with San Antonio Scorpions from 2012-14 finished as 2<sup>nd</sup> most in franchise history
 ... Current Eleven head

 coach Tim Hankinson made him one of first players in Scorpions history in December 2011, and is only player on the squad with an NASL title
 after helping San Antonio to the 2014 crown ...

**PREVIOUS CLUBS:** San Antonio Scorpions (NASL, 2012-14); Vancouver Whitecaps FC (MLS, 2011; USSF Div. II, 2010), D.C. United (MLS, 2008-09), Pittsburgh Riverhounds (USL Second Division, 2008)

 #15 – DANIEL KELLER
 D/M
 6-0
 165 lbs.
 2/07/92
 Carmel, IN

 MISC: Made 15 appearances (11 starts) during his rookie season with Indy Eleven in 2015 ... Made his professional debut on 5/23/15 @ OTT
 with late cameo in place of Brad Ring ... Made his first start for Indy 4 days later on 5/27 in Open Cup action vs. Louisville City FC (95 mins) ...
 Signed with Indy Eleven on 05/11/15 ... Versatile defender can play anywhere along backline and at defensive midfield spot ... Selected in 3<sup>rd</sup>

 round (62<sup>nd</sup> overall) in 2015 MLS SuperDraft by defending MLS Cup champion LA Galaxy ... Scored 6 goals and added 4 assists in 74
 appearances with University of Louisville from 2011-14, where he suited up alongside Eleven teammate Dylan Mares from 2010-12

 PREVIOUS CLUBS: University of Louisville (NCAA, 2010-14)
 NCAA, 2010-14

 #14 – DUKE LACROIX
 FWD
 5-9
 155 lbs.
 10/14/93
 New Egypt, NJ

 Registered 2 goals and 1 assist during rookie season in 2015 after signing with Indy Eleven on 5/21/15 – after he graduated from the University of Pennsylvania with a degree in Sociology ... Return to Indy Eleven for 2016 season was announced on 12/03/15 ... Tallied first professional goal on 6/13 v FCE ... Two-time captain at UPenn earned four nods to All-Ivy League Teams (First-team in 2013 & 2014)

 PREVIOUS CLUBS:
 University of Pennsylvania (NCAA, 2011-14)

#33 –GORKA LARREA	MID	5-11	165 lbs.	04/07/84	San Sebastian, Spain
Joined Indy Eleven on 02/10/16 - and acc	imated himself	quickly to th	e Hoosier Stat	e by choosing #33 in	honor of Indiana native son Larry Bird
Former Spanish youth international play	ved 22 games in	i Spain's La	Liga (first divis	sion) with Real Socie	dad from 2003 to 2006 and Levante
UD in 2010 and logged more than 100 gan	nes in the Segu	nda División	n (second divis	ion) for four clubs be	tween 2006 and 2013, twice helping
squads earn promotion to La Liga – UD Al	mería in 2006/0	7 and as ca	ptain of Levan	te in 2009/10 Mos	t recently suited up for Major League
Soccer's Montreal Impact FC, making nine	appearances d	uring the se	cond half of th	e Quebec club's 201	4 season On international scene,
made 15 appearances from the U-16 to U-	0		tars of the gar	ne like Andrés Iniesta	a and Fernando Torres and was part of
the squad that won the 2001 UEFA Europe	ean U-16 Cham	pionship			

#6 – DYLAN MARES	MID	5-9	160 lbs.	2/11/92	Zionsville, IN
Despite missing 7 games in middle of the	season due to R	knee injury	, was team lea	ader in 2015 with	n 5 goals (tied w/ Brian Brown) and 5
assists (T-11th in NASL in assists) Elev	ven's career lead	er in assists	s in regular se	ason play with 7	helpers Named to NASL Team of the
Week 3 times in 2015 Re-signed with s	equad for 2016 se	ason on 12	/03/15 One	e of 3 players rer	maining from team's 2014 opening day
roster (Smart & Ring)					

PREVIOUS CLUBS: Indiana University (NCAA, 2013), University of Louisville (NCAA, 2010-12)

#16 – CORY MILLER	DEF	6-2	185 lbs.	7/22/88	Zionsville, IN		
Started 19 of his 21 appearances in 2015, bo	th ranking in t	he team's t	op five Per	formances in pair of 1-	1 draws on 9/30 @ TBR and 10/03		
@ JAX earned him first NASL Team of the Week honor on 10/07 (Fall Week 14) Return to the squad for 2016 was announced on 12/03/15							
Started team's last 9 contests of 2014 in central defense, that stretch coinciding with team's then NASL modern era record 397-minute							
shutout streak Registered first – and only – assist for Indy on 9/20/14 @ FTL (Frias, 39') Originally signed with Indy Eleven on 8/28/14							
PREVIOUS CLUBS: Los Angeles Blues (US							

 #5 -LOVEL PALMER
 DEF
 5-10
 160 lbs.
 08/30/84
 Mandeville, Jamaica

 Six-year veteran of MLS joined Indy Eleven on 01/12/16 after two seasons with Chicago Fire SC, which followed time with Real Salt Lake,
 Portland Timbers and Houston Dynamo ... Tallied four goals and added five assists across 148 MLS regular season games ... Broke into
 professional ranks during a lengthy stint with Jamaican Red Stripe Premier League side Harbour View, making nearly league 150 appearances,
 bagging 41 goals from 2003-10 and serving as team captain during most of his stint ... Was three-time winner of the Jamaican National

 Premier League, two-time winner of both the Jamaican Domestic Cup and Caribbean Football Union Club Championship and a three-time
 participant in CONCACAF regional championship competitions ... Made 29 "caps" for Jamaican Men's National Team, including all six semifinal

 round games during CONCACAF region qualifying for the 2014 World Cup across the second half of 2012.
 2012.

 #8 – NICKI PATERSON
 MID
 5-11
 155 lbs.
 01/19/85
 Motherwell, Scotland

 Became third player to join Indy Eleven from the team's 2014 expansion rival Ottawa Fury FC (joining Colin Falvey & Sinisa Ubiparipovic) on 01/26/16 ... Was the first player signed by Ottawa leading into its 2014 expansion season, and netted four times in 26 appearances across the last two years, each of which saw significant time missed due to injury ... Scored twice in 9 games in 2015's Spring Season, including a late game-winner in a 1-0 triumph over the Eleven in May, before an ACL injury robbed him of participation in Fury FC's run to the Fall Season title ... Spent three years with USL PRO side Charleston Battery from 2011-13, all alongside his former Ottawa and new Indy Eleven teammate Falvey, helping the Battery to the USL PRO championship in 2012 ... Combined totals of 30 goals and 10 assists was more than any other midfielder in the league during his three-season stint in Charleston ... Also suited up in his native Scotland professionally for Hamilton Academical and Clyde F.C., and grew up in the youth system of his hometown side, Motherwell F.C.

 #24 – JAIR REINOSO
 FWD
 6-0
 170 lbs.
 06/07/87
 Cali, Colombia

 Squad's most recent signing, joining the club officially on Tuesday after a two-week trial with the squad ... 30-year-old striker has scored 79
 goals in 185 games while representing clubs in South America and Asia ... Spent time in youth systems of familiar South American headline
 clubs America de Cali and River Plate before making first team debut with the most successful team in Bolivian soccer, Club Bolivar, in 2008 ...

 Also suited up for Bolivian powerhouse The Strongest; Colombian first division regulars Once Caldas and Cucuta Deportivo; and, most
 recently, Chinese League One squad Zhejiang Yiteng ... Contributed to a pair of title-winning sides, helping Club Bolivar and The Strongest to

 Apertura (Opening) Season victories in 2009 and 2013, respectively, and also tallied five times in 14 games during play in the prestigious Copa

 Libertadores and Copa Sudamericana international competitions.

 #4 – BRAD RING
 MID
 5-10
 165 lbs.
 4/07/87
 Rockford,

 Started 16 of 21 appearances in 2015
 Scored a memorable 30-yard blast on 10/17 v MNU, his first goal since 5/24/15 v NYC and the eventual Indy Eleven Goal of the Year as voted on by the Brickyard Battalion
 Re-signed with the squad for 2016 on 12/11/15
 One of 3 players remaining from team's 2014 opening day roster (Smart & Mares)
 Played standout career at Indiana University from 2006-09

 PREVIOUS CLUBS:
 Portland Timbers (MLS, 2013)
 San Jose Earthquakes (MLS, 2010-2013)
 Played standout career at Indiana University from 2006-09

 #2 - NEIL SHAFFER
 DEF
 5-11
 175 lbs.
 02/14/89
 Aliquippa, PA

 Outside back joined Indy Eleven on 12/23/15 after two seasons with the USL's Harrisburg City Islanders, the last of which he served as the team's captain ... Helped the Islanders to the 2014 USL Championship final against Sacramento FC, featuring his new teammates Justin Braun and Nemanja Vukovic ... Outside of the 2013 campaign with PDL's Kitsap (Wash.) Pumas, has spent all of his career in his native Pennsylvania, playing collegiately at Robert Morris University in Pittsburgh and also suiting up for a season of PDL play with the Erie Admirals before signing his first pro contract with the USL's Pittsburgh Riverhounds in 2011.
 Aliquippa, PA

**#7 – DON SMART** MID 5-9 170 lbs. 12/02/87 Kingston, Jamaic Finished 2015 season T-3<sup>rd</sup> on squad with 3 goals, 2<sup>nd</sup> with 3 assists and T-2<sup>nd</sup> with 25 appearances (10 starts) ... Is Indy Eleven's all-time regular season leader in appearances (52) and ranks 2<sup>nd</sup> with 6 assists (1 behind Mares) ... Announced as one of 8 players returning for 2016 season on 12/03/15 ... One of only two players (w/ Nicht) to appear in all 27 league matches in 2014 ... One of 3 players remaining from team's 2014 opening day roster (Ring & Mares) ...Scored first-ever GWG in Indy Eleven's NASL tenure on 7/12/14 @ CAR **PREVIOUS CLUBS:** RVA Football Club (NPSL, 2013) ... Fredericksburg Hotspur (PDL, 2012) ... FC New York (USL PRO, 2011)

**#10 – SINIŜA UBIPARIPOVIĆ** MID 5-9 163 lbs. 08/25/83 Cleveland, OF First new signing of Indy Eleven's 2015-16 offseason joined the squad on 12/15/15, one of 3 players to move from 2014 expansion mate Ottawa Fury FC (alongside Colin Falvey & Nicki Paterson) ... Played pivotal role in helping Ottawa to 2015 NASL Fall Season title and spot in The Championship Final vs. New York, finishing most productive year of his career T-3<sup>rd</sup> in NASL (including postseason play) with 8 assists and added 5 goals in 26 games played overall (23 starts) ... 4 of 5 NASL Team of the Week appearances in 2015 came across final seven rounds of action ... Has more than 150 first team appearances in regular season, domestic and international cup and postseason action during 9-year pro career, notching 14 goals and 20 assists.

**PREVIOUS CLUBS:** Ottawa Fury FC (NASL, 2014-15), Montreal Impact (NASL, 2011; MLS 2012-13), Minnesota United FC [NASL, 2013 (loan)], New York Red Bulls (Major League Soccer, 2007-10), Chicago Fire Premier (USL PDL, 2006), Cleveland Internationals (USL PDL, 2005)

**#82 – NEMANJA VUKOVIC** DEF 6-3 180 lbs. 04/13/84 Podgorica, Montenegro One of two players, alongside Justin Braun, to sign with the squad from USL's Sacramento Republic FC on 01/19/16 ... Contributed five goals and three assists from the back line during his 65 games across all competitions with Sacramento, helping squad to 2014 USL Championship crown in its Inaugural Season – the same season he was named the 2014 USL PRO Defender of the Year and a 2014 All USL PRO First Team selection ... Prior to joining SRFC, Vukovic spent part of the 2012 MLS season with Columbus but logged most of the first decade of his career from 2003-2013 between clubs in the Montenegrin First and Second Leagues (FK Kom, FC Budućnost Podgorica, OFK Grbalj & Mladost Podgorica) and the Greek Super League (Panetolikos).

**#19 – WOJCIECH WOJCIK** FWD 6-4 209 Ibs. 05/31/92 Elmwood Park, IL Finished 2015 season with 2 goals and 2 assists in 21 appearances, the latter tied for 5<sup>th</sup> on the squad ... Scored his goals in back-to-back games to start off the Fall Season at NYC and vs. CAR, the latter the game-winner and both voted the NASL Play of the Week by fans ... Resigned with Indy for 2016 season on 12/03//15 ... Came to Indy Eleven after spending his first professional campaign (2014) in Finland, where he scored twice for Ykkonen (Second Division) side Tampereen Ilves in 17 appearances while helping the squad to promotion following the season ... Former Missouri Valley Conference Player of the Year tallied 14 goals and 22 assists in 81 games with Bradley from 2010-13.

 #9 – EAMON ZAYED
 FWD
 6-2
 200 lbs.
 10/04/83
 Dublin, Ireland

 14-year professional signed with Indy Eleven on 12/23/15
 Racked up more than 150 goals in over 300 first team appearances across play in

 Ireland, Iran and, most recently, Malaysia for first division side Sabah FA
 Boasts senior national team experience with Libya (one goal in

 eight "caps") and youth international experience with his native Republic of Ireland (12 games)
 Honed skills in youth academy of English side

 Leicester City and began pro career with four-year run at Irish squad Bray Wanderers AFC (54 goals in 105 matches)
 Won 2011 League of

 Ireland Premier Division's Player of the Year Award, earned after scoring 23 goals for Derry City FC
 Scored three times for Ireland's

 Drogheda United during UEFA Cup action during a two-year stint from 2006-08
 Public for the fourth of the