

### NASL FALL SEASON GAME #3 / 2016 SEASON GAME #13

# Indy Eleven

(5W-7D-0L, 22 pts., 2nd in NASL Combined Season; 1W-1D-0L, 4 pts., 4th in Fall Season)

VS.

# Fort Lauderdale Strikers

(4W-4D-4L, 16 pts., 8th in NASL Combined Season; 0W-1D-1L, 1 pt., 10th in Fall Season)

Wednesday, July 13, 2016 - Michael A. Carroll Stadium; Indianapolis, IN - 7:30 p.m. ET

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### INDY vs. FORT LAUDERDALE HISTORY

Overall: 2W-2D-3L Home: 1W-1D-0L Away: 1W-1D-3L

### 2016 Series

May 14 @ FTL Wednesday vs. FTL Sat., Sept. 10 @ FTL	0-0 D 7:30 pm ET 7:00 pm ET
2015: 2W-0D-1L	
October 24, 2015 v FTL	2-1 W
August 29, 2015 @ FTL	1-7 L
June 6, 2015 @ FTL	2-1 W
2014: 0W-1D-2L	
Sept. 14, 2014 @ FTL	1-2 L
August 6, 2014 v FTL	0-0 D
April 26, 2014 @ FTL	2-3 L



# INDY ELEVEN ROSTER (as of 07/12/2016)

	#	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)
*	3	Gerardo Torrado	MF	5'9"	161	Mexico City, Mexico	Mexico	04/30/79	Cruz Azul (Mexico/1)
	4	Brad Ring	MF	5'10"	165	Rockford, IL	USA	04/07/87	Portland Timbers (MLS)
٨	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)
٨	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	on loan w/ OKC Energy FC (USL)
	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)
۸	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)
*	82	Nemanja Vuković	DF	6'3"	180	Podgorica, Montenegro	Montenegro	04/13/84	Sacramento Republic FC (USL)
*	91	Omar Gordon	FW	5'9"	171	Montego Bay, Jamaica	Jamaica	10/08/91	Montego Bay United (Jamaica/1)
*	99	Souleymane Youla	FW	5'11"	170	Conakry, Guinea	Guinea/Turkey	11/29/81	Budapest Honved FC (Hungary/1)

<sup>\* =</sup> international roster slot

<sup>~ =</sup> currently on loan

Head Coach: Tim Hankinson	Pronunciation Guide	
Assistant Coach: Tim Regan	Justin Braun	BRAWN
Director of Goalkeeping: Jon Busch	Keith Cardona	car-DOUGH-nah
Head Athletic Trainer: Brian Gerlach	Greg Janicki	JAN-eh-key
Team Operations Manager: Andy Piggush	Duke Lacroix	la-KWA
Equipment Manager: John Roeder	Dylan Mares	MAIRES
Team Physician: Dr. Daniel Kraft	Lovel Palmer	luh-vell
	Jair Reinoso	HI-ear ray-NO-so
	Gerardo Torrado	heh-RAHR-doe tore-RAH-doe
	Neil Shaffer	SHAY-fer
	Siniša Ubiparipović	sin-EE-sha
		OO-be-pare-ee-poe-vich
	Nemanja Vuković	neh-MAHN-yah
		VOO-kah-vich
	Wojciech Wojcik	VOY-check VOO-cheek
	Souleymane Youla	soo-lay-mahn YOU-la
	Eamon Zayed	AYE-mon ZYED

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

### INDY ELEVEN 2016 NASL SPRING SEASON SCHEDULE

\*\*\* Match dates & times are subject to change
\*\*\* Click each result for full stats via NASL.com MatchCenter, powered by Opta

Date	Time (ET)	Opponent	Venue	Result
Sat., April 2	7:30 pm	at Tampa Bay Rowdies	Al Lang Stadium – St. Petersburg, FL	<u>0-0 D</u> / 5,740
Sat., April 9	7:30 pm	vs. Ottawa Fury FC	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN	<u>1-1 D</u> / 9,104
Sat., April 16	7:30 pm	vs. New York Cosmos	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN	<u>2-1 W</u> / 9,067
Sat., April 30	8:00 pm	at Rayo OKC	Miller Stadium – Oklahoma City, OK	<u>2-1 W</u> / 4,729
Sat., May 7	7:30 pm	vs. FC Edmonton	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN	<u>1-1 D</u> / 7,415
Sat., May 14	7:00 pm	at Fort Lauderdale Strikers	Lockhart Stadium – Fort Lauderdale, FL	<u>0-0 D</u> / 1,048
Sat., May 21	7:30 pm	vs. Minnesota United FC	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN	<u>4-2 W</u> / 9,076
Sat., May 28	7:00 pm	at Jacksonville Armada FC	Community First Park – Jacksonville, FL	<u>1-1 D</u> / 4,412
Sat., June 4	8:00 pm	at Miami FC	FIU Stadium – Miami, FL	<u>0-0 D</u> / 1,837
Sat., June 11	7:30 pm	vs. Carolina RailHawks	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN	<u>4-1 W</u> / 9,341

# INDY ELEVEN 2016 NASL FALL SEASON SCHEDULE

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

Date	Time (ET)	Opponent	Venue	Result
Sat., July 2	7:30 pm	at Puerto Rico FC	Juan Ramón Loubriel Stadium – Bayamón, PR	<u>1-1 D</u> / 6,474
Sat., July 9	7:30 pm	vs. Minnesota United FC	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN	1-0 W / 8,066
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 U.S. OPEN CUP SCHEDULE

Date	Time (ET)	Opponent	Venue	Round	Result
Wed., June 1	7:30 pm	vs. Louisville City FC (USL)	Carroll Stadium – Indianapolis, IN	3rd	<u>2-1 W</u>
Wed., June 15	8:30 pm	at. Chicago Fire (MLS)	Toyota Park – Bridgeview, IL	4 <sup>th</sup>	1-1 D (aet)
					(3-4 L in PKs)

# **INDY ELEVEN 2016 NASL SEASON STATISTICS**

UNF	POS	PLAYER	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	С	E
9	FW	Eamon Zayed	12	11	1013	6	1	24	12	0	0
20	FW	Justin Braun	12	11	967	3	1	20	6	3	0
82	DF	Nemanja Vuković	12	12	1063	2	3	17	5	2	0
8	MF	Nicki Paterson	12	10	792	1	1	15	2	4	0
91	FW	Omar Gordon	9	9	740	1	1	15	4	1	0
24	FW	Jair Reinoso	6	2	225	1	1	4	2	0	0
12	DF	Greg Janicki	11	11	974	1	0	7	3	2	0
6	MF	Dylan Mares	10	8	748	1	0	18	3	1	0
99	FW	Souleymane Youla	1	0	28	1	0	1	1	0	0
10	MF	Siniša Ubiparipović	6	5	360	0	1	2	0	1	0
18	GK	Jon Busch	12	12	1080	0	0	0	0	1	0
32	DF	Colin Falvey	10	10	885	0	0	4	0	1	0
5	DF	Lovel Palmer	9	8	721	0	0	1	1	1	1
4	MF	Brad Ring	8	7	531	0	0	1	0	2	0
33	MF	Gorka Larrea	8	4	436	0	0	0	0	2	0
14	FW	Duke Lacroix	10	3	408	0	1	5	1	0	0
23	DF	Marco Franco	7	4	389	0	0	1	1	1	0
7	MF	Don Smart	5	2	215	0	0	1	0	0	0
16	DF	Cory Miller	4	3	286	0	0	0	0	1	0
19	FW	Wojciech Wojcik	1	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	0
15	MF	Daniel Keller	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	GK	Keith Cardona	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	DF	Neil Shaffer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Eleven totals	12	12	1080	17	10	145	45	23	1
		Opponent totals	12	12	1080	9	6	129	39	20	2

GAME-WINNING GOALS: Justin Braun 2, Eamon Zayed 1, Nemanja Vuković 1, Dylan Mares 1

GAME-WINNING ASSISTS: Nemanja Vukovic 1

PENALTY KICK ATTEMPTS: Eamon Zayed (1-for-1)

### **INDY ELEVEN INDIVIDUAL GOALKEEPING**

UNF	POS	GOALKEEPER	GP	GS	MIN	GA	GAA	SVS	PG	PA	W	D	L	so
18	GK	Jon Busch	12	12	1080	9	0.75	28	1	2	5	7	0	4
1	GK	Keith Cardona	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Eleven Totals	12	12	1080	9	0.75	28	1	2	5	7	0	4
		Opponent totals	12	12	1080	17	1.42	28	1	1	0	7	5	3

### **GOALS SCORED BY MINUTE**

	1-15'	16-30'	31-45+'	46-60'	61-75'	76-90+'	Total
<b>Indy Eleven</b>	2	2	1	1	3	8	17
Opponent	0	3	1	3	2	0	9

### Tampa Bay Rowdies 0:0 Indy Eleven

Saturday, April 2, 2016 Al Lang Stadium; St. Petersburg, FL

Eleven line-up (4-2-3-1):

GK - Busch

LB - Vuković

LCB – Janicki

RCB - Falvev ©

RB - Palmer (Franco 82')

LDM - Paterson (Larrea 63')

RDM - Ring

LW - Lacroix (Reinoso 73')

CAM – Ubiparipović

RW - Braun

FW - Zayed

### **Scoring Summary:**

None

<u>Stats</u>	TBR	IND
Shots	12	7
Shots on Goal	3	1
Fouls	11	9
Corners	5	3
Offsides	0	2
Saves	1	3
Possession	59	41

# Rayo OKC 1:2 Indy Eleven

Saturday, April 30, 2016 Miller Stadium; Yukon, OK

Eleven line-up (4-4-2):

GK - Busch

LB - Vuković

LCB – Janicki

RCB - Falvey ©

RB - Palmer

LM – Ubiparipović (Larrea 75')

LCM - Paterson

RCM - Ring (Lacroix 18')

RM – Gordon

FW - Zaved

FW - Reinoso (Braun 56')

### Scoring Summary

IND - Reinoso 7', Vuković 77'

OKC - Michel 26'

Stats	OKC	IND
Shots	12	8
Shots on Goal	2	3
Fouls	6	15
Corners	6	1
Offsides	1	1
Saves	1	1
Possession	65	35

# Indy Eleven 1:1 Ottawa Fury FC

Saturday, April 9, 2016 Carroll Stadium; Indianapolis, IN

Eleven line-up (4-2-3-1):

GK - Busch

LB - Vuković

LCB - Janicki

RCB - Falvev ©

RB - Palmer

LDM - Paterson

RDM - Ring

LW - Lacroix (Smart 74')

CAM – Ubiparipović (Mares 51')

RW - Braun (Reinoso 63')

FW - Zayed

### **Scoring Summary:**

IND - Vuković 89'

OTT - Vered 56'

Stats	IND	OTT
Shots	11	12
Shots on Goal	3	2
Fouls	13	13
Corners	4	6
Offsides	6	1
Saves	1	2
Possession	44	56

## Indy Eleven 1:1 FC Edmonton

Saturday, May 7, 2016 Carroll Stadium; Indianapolis, IN

Eleven line-up (4-4-2):

GK - Busch

LB - Vuković

LCB - Janicki

RCB - Falvey ©

RB - Palmer

LM – Ubiparipović (Reinoso 74')

LCM – Paterson (Larrea 62')

RCM - Ring (Mares 62')

RM – Gordon

FW - Zayed

FW - Braun

### **Scoring Summary**

IND - Janicki 22'

FCE - Keegan 37'

Stats	IND	FCE
Shots	14	5
Shots on Goal	3	1
Fouls	8	11
Corners	3	0
Offsides	2	1
Saves	0	2
Possession	48	52

### Indy Eleven 2:1 New York Cosmos

Saturday, April 16, 2016 Carroll Stadium; Indianapolis, IN

Eleven line-up (4-4-2):

GK - Busch

LB - Vuković (Franco 73')

LCB – Janicki

RCB - Falvev ©

RB - Palmer

LM – Lacroix (Smart 63')

LCM - Paterson (Wojcik 76')

RCM - Ring

RM - Mares

FW - Zaved

FW - Braun

### **Scoring Summary**

IND - Zayed 89' (PK), 95+' NYC - Kranjcar (PK) 51'

NYC Shots 12 9 Shots on Goal 4 4

Fouls 10 6 Corners 6 1 6 3 Offsides 2 3 Saves Possession 46 54

### Fort Lauderdale 0:0 Indy Eleven

Saturday, May 14, 2016 Lockhart Stadium; Fort Lauderdale, FL

Eleven line-up (4-4-2):

GK - Busch

LB - Vuković

LCB - Janicki

RCB - Falvey ©

RB - Palmer

LM - Mares

LCM - Ubiparipović (Smart 55')

RCM - Larrea

RM – Gordon

FW - Braun (Zayed 66')

FW – Reinoso (Paterson 81')

### **Scoring Summary**

None

Stats	FTL	IND
Shots	15	11
Shots on Goal	6	2
Fouls	13	11
Corners	4	6
Offsides	1	1
Saves	2	6
Possession	55	45

### Indy Eleven 4:2 Minnesota United FC

Saturday, May 21, 2016 Carroll Stadium: Indianapolis, IN

Eleven line-up (4-4-2):

GK - Busch

LB – Vuković

LCB - Janicki (Miller 74')

RCB - Falvey ©

RB - Palmer

LM – Gordon

LCM - Mares

RCM - Larrea (Paterson 67')

RM - Smart (Lacroix 77')

FW - Zaved

FW - Braun

### **Scoring Summary**

IND - Zayed 16', Gordon 49', Braun 75', Paterson 97+'

MNU - Pinho 54'. Lowe 69'

Stats	IND	MNU
Shots	11	11
Shots on Goal	5	3
Fouls	11	13
Corners	2	7
Offsides	2	2
Saves	1	1
Possession	38	62

### The Miami FC 0:0 Indy Eleven

Saturday, June 4, 2016 Ocean Bank Field: Miami. FL

Eleven line-up (4-4-2):

GK - Busch

LB - Vuković

LCB - Janicki

RCB - Falvey ©

RB - Franco

LM - Gordon

LCM - Paterson (Lacroix 74')

RCM - Larrea

RM - Mares

FW - Braun

FW - Zayed (Keller 90+')

### **Scoring Summary**

None

Stats	MIA	IND
Shots	11	15
Shots on Goal	3	1
Fouls	11	13
Corners	3	2
Offsides	1	1
Saves	1	3
Possession	58	42

### Jacksonville Armada 1:1 Indy Eleven

Saturday, May 28, 2016 Community First Park; Jacksonville, FL

Eleven line-up (4-4-2):

GK - Busch

LB - Vuković

LCB - Miller

RCB - Falvey ©

RB - Franco

LM - Gordon (Lacroix 82') LCM - Mares (Larrea 60')

RCM - Paterson

RM - Smart (Reinoso 60')

FW - Braun

FW - Zayed

### **Scoring Summary**

IND - Braun 73'

JAX - Bahner 30'

Stats	JAX	IND
Shots	14	11
Shots on Goal	6	4
Fouls	11	13
Corners	3	8
Offsides	3	1
Saves	3	5
Possession	49	51

### Indy Eleven 4:1 Carolina RailHawks

Saturday, June 11, 2016 Carroll Stadium; Indianapolis, IN

Eleven line-up (4-4-2):

GK - Busch

LB - Vuković

LCB - Janicki

RCB - Falvey © (Ubiparipovic 75')

RB - Franco

LM - Gordon

LCM - Paterson (Lacroix 63')

RCM – Larrea (Ring 89')

RM - Mares

FW - Braun

FW - Zaved

### **Scoring Summary**

IND - Zayed 15', 65', 85'; Braun 45+' CAR - Albadawi 29'

Stats	IND	CAR
Shots	25	8
Shots on Goal	12	2
Fouls	10	7
Corners	5	1
Offsides	7	3
Saves	1	8
Possession	49	51

### Indy Eleven 2: 1 Louisville City FC

Wednesday, June 1, 2016 Carroll Stadium; Indianapolis, IN U.S. Open Cup – 3<sup>rd</sup> Round

Eleven line-up (4-4-2):

GK - Cardona

LB - Shaffer

LCB - Vuković ©

RCB - Miller

RB - Franco

LM - Lacroix (Larrea 77')

LCM - Mares

RCM - Keller

RM – Smart (Zayed 45')

FW - Reinoso (Braun 41')

FW - Gordon

### **Scoring Summary**

IND - Gordon 58', Zayed 68'

LOU - Hoffman 21'

Stats	IND	LOU
Shots	6	7
Shots on Goal	2	1
Fouls	21	11
Corners	6	10
Offsides	-	-
Saves	0	0
Possession	-	-

### Chicago Fire SC 1 (4): (3) 1 Indy Eleven

Wednesday, June 15, 2016 Toyota Park; Bridgeview, IL U.S. Open Cup - 4th Round

Eleven line-up (4-4-2):

GK - Busch

LB - Vuković

LCB - Janicki

RCB - Falvey

RB - Franco

LM - Lacroix

LCM - Paterson

RCM - Ring RM - Mares

FW - Braun

FW - Zaved

### **Scoring Summary**

IND - Braun 105' CAR - Accam 111'

Stats	CHI	IND
Shots	26	14
Shots on Goal	8	4
Fouls	16	14
Corners	8	7
Offsides	2	0
Saves	3	7
Possession	57	43

### Puerto Rico FC 1:1 Indy Eleven

Saturday, July 2, 2016 Estadio Loubriel; Bayamon, PR

Eleven line-up (4-4-2):

GK - Busch

LB - Vuković

LCB – Janicki ©

RCB - Miller

RB - Franco

LM – Gordon (Lacroix 55')

LCM - Ring

RCM – Paterson (Youla 79')

RM – Mares (Palmer 81')

FW - Braun

FW - Zayed

### **Scoring Summary**

IND - Youla 92+'

PRFC - Ramos 74'

Stats	PRFC	IND
Shots	8	12
Shots on Goal	2	3
Fouls	18	10
Corners	1	10
Offsides	0	3
Saves	2	1
Possession	39	61

### Indy Eleven 1: 0 Minnesota United FC

Saturday, July 9, 2016 Carroll Stadium; Indianapolis, IN

Eleven line-up (4-4-2):

GK - Busch

LB – Vuković

LCB - Janicki ©

RCB - Miller

RB – Palmer – RED CARD (postgame)

LM - Gordon (Lacroix 63')

LCM - Ring

RCM – Paterson (Youla 73')

RM - Mares

FW - Braun (Franco 84')

FW - Zayed

### **Scoring Summary**

IND - Youla 92+'

MNU - None

Stats	IND	MNU
Shots	7	12
Shots on Goal	4	5
Fouls	17	8
Corners	1	4
Offsides	3	1
Saves	4	3
Possession	58	42

# **LAST TIME OUT – MARES BIG IN BOTH GOALS TO DOWN MINNESOTA:** Dylan Mares provided the latest set of late-game dramatics for Indy Eleven, scoring his first goal of the season 12 minutes from time and heading a ball off the line in the 90<sup>th</sup> minute to give the "Boys in Blue" a 1-0 victory over Minnesota United FC at IUPUI's Carroll Stadium. Indy goalkeeper Jon Busch stopped four shots for his fourth shutout of the season, including a massive penalty kick stop of NASL leading scorer Christian Ramirez late in the first half.

The result kept Indy Eleven undefeated through 12 games to start the 2016 season, and was preceded by the team lifting the league's Spring Season trophy in front of its appreciative fans.

Both sides' best chances within the first 20 minutes were finished – but they were also both nullified for offside, Eamon Zayed giving the Brickyard Battalion false hope just 50 seconds in, while Aaron Pitchkolan's header of Christian Ramirez's half-bike towards goal in the 18<sup>th</sup> minute fell to the same fate. Minnesota would take control of the better chances after the half hour mark, starting when Stefano Pinho's cross found the head of a darting J.C. Banks, but the Loons' central playmaker saw his 10-yard shot flash just wide of the right post.

In the 37<sup>th</sup> minute it was Pinho creating a penalty kick opportunity when he fell over the foot of Indy midfielder Dylan Mares just a step inside the box. However, Busch would deny Ramirez on the ensuing spot kick, diving low and to his left to bat the shot wide. Banks had a half chance off the ensuing corner when he hooked in a shot from 15 yards, but Busch jumped to his upper left 90 to pick the ball out.

The first chance of the second half fell to Minnesota left back Justin Davis, whose heavy shot from 30 yards was corralled by Busch on his line with a slight leap.

The game increasingly looked like it would be a stalemate until the 78<sup>th</sup> minute, when Mares made Minnesota's Lance Laing pay for a turnover in the final third. The Loons' midfielder tried to play out of his end but instead put the ball right on Mares' feet 25 yards out, from where he caught Ndjock off his line with a drilled effort into the upper right corner, giving Indy the lead.

Minnesota had two good chances to equalize in the final minutes, first in the 88<sup>th</sup> minute as the ball popped to Daniel Mendes at the top of the area, but the substitute midfielder's poke was deflected just wide of the right post. Off the ensuing corner Ramirez headed a ball that beat Busch but not Mares, who headed the ball himself off the line to keep Indy ahead into and through the five minutes of stoppage time.

**ELEVEN CAN EVEN NASL UNDEFEATED STREAK RECORD WITH "LUCKY 13":** Saturday's 1-0 win over Minnesota extended Indy Eleven's club record undefeated streak to 12 games (5W-7D-0L), putting it on the cusp of the NASL's record streak of 13, set by the Carolina RailHawks (2011) and the New York Cosmos (2013-14).

If you want to get picky, the "Boys in Blue" have actually gone 14 competitive games without a defeat in 2016 when counting its two Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup contests (even its penalty kick defeat at the Chicago Fire in the Fourth Round technically goes down as a 1-1 draw). And while it doesn't count officially, if you want to throw the team's 1-0 exhibition win over Liga MX champion C.F. Pachuca onto the undefeated compilation as well, we won't stop you.

Prior to this year, Indy Eleven's previous club-record unbeaten streak was nine games spanning the 2014-15 campaigns. The club's single-season best unbeaten runs were a pair of five-gamers that ended the 2014 Fall campaign and stretched across the 2015 Spring and Fall Seasons.

**INJURY REPORT:** Indy Eleven's midseason "break" in June was anything but, however it did allow some of the "Boys in Blue" to return to full health, such as MF **Don Smart** (L LCL sprain), MF **Brad Ring** (R MCL sprain) and MF **Sinisa Ubiparipovic** (L hip). On the negative side of the report, three players – captain DF **Colin Falvey** (R hamstring), FW **Jair Reinoso** (L leg injury) and **Neil Shaffer** (R adductor) were all out of consideration for the team's first two Fall Season games and will remain out of consideration for Wednesday against Fort Lauderdale, although the Colombian striker Reinoso has recently returned to limited training in recent days.

### TORRADO AVAILABLE FOR NASL DEBUT

**WEDNESDAY:** Indy Eleven surprised many in the soccer world on June 8 when it announced the signing of Mexican international midfielder Gerardo Torrado at a press conference in Los Angeles. The 37-year-old Torrado is the second-most capped player in Mexican National Team history (146) and spent the last 11 of his 19 professional seasons with Liga MX giant Cruz Azul – the last 10 as its captain. Torrado made his unofficial debut with a 62-minute appearance in the June 26 friendly vs. Pachuca. Unexpected visa issues kept "El "Borrego" in Mexico across the last week-plus, but his return to Indy on Tuesday leaves head coach Tim Hankinson the option to give the veteran his first NASL minutes Wednesday against Fort Lauderdale.

Click here for match stats via the Opta MatchCenter

PALMER SEES RED: Defender Lovel Palmer received the team's first red card of 2016 last weekend against Minnesota. With it coming in a post-game fracas (which also saw Tiago Calvano red carded) it meant the "Boys in Blue" had the fortune of not playing a man down, but it does mean the Jamaican right back will be forced to miss Wednesday's game vs. FTL.

### "MIRACLE AT THE MIKE" GIVES INDY SPRING

TITLE: Dramatic three-goal wins are few and far between, but Indy Eleven's 4-1 win over Carolina on June 11 gave Indy the three standings points, four goals and three-goal winning margin it needed to surpass the New York Cosmos at the top of the table and earn the NASL's Spring title - and The Championship automatic berth in November that comes along with it. Indy Eleven collected the Spring Season trophy from NASL Commissioner Bill Peterson prior to last Saturday's 1-0 win over Minnesota at Carroll Stadium, and the NASL is expected to announce the date and time of Indy's first-ever appearance in The Championship, set to take place the weekend of Nov. 4-6, in the coming weeks. The surprise result at "The Mike" included the club's first-ever hat trick in NASL play by Eamon Zayed (15', 65' 85') and Justin Braun's third goal in four league matches to close out a memorable Spring campaign.

FLAIR FOR THE DRAMATIC: Courtesy of Dylan Mares' 78th minute game-winner last weekend vs. Minnesota, Indy Eleven has scored 10 of its 17 goals in league play - and earned 12 of its 22 standings points and a little thing called the Spring Season title - courtesy of finishes past the 70<sup>th</sup> minute of games, including an incredible 8-0 advantage across the final 15 minutes:

Indy Eleven goals in 2016 (standings points gained): 4/09 v OTT - 88' (Vuković, tied game 1-1) +1 4/16 v NYC - 89' (Zayed, tied game 1-1) +1 4/16 v NYC - 95+' (Zayed, won game 2-1) +2 4/30 @ OKC - 7' (Reinoso, gave lead 1-0) +1 4/30 @ OKC - 77' (Vuković, won game 2-1) +2 5/07 v FCE - 22' (Janicki, gave Indy lead 1-0) +1 5/21 v MNU – **16**' (Zayed, gave Indy lead 1-0) 5/21 v MNU - 49' (Gordon, gave Indy lead 2-0) +1 5/21 v MNU - 75' (Braun, gave Indy 3-2 lead) +2 5/21 v MNU – **97+**' (Paterson, gave Indy 4-2 lead) 5/28 @ JAX - 73' (Braun, tied game 1-1) +1 6/11 v CAR - 15' (Zayed, gave Indy 1-0 lead) +1 6/11 v CAR - **45+**' (Braun, gave Indy 2-1 lead) +2 6/11 v CAR – **65'** (Zayed, gave Indy 3-1 lead) 6/11 v CAR - 85' (Zayed, gave Indy 4-1 lead & Spring title) 7/02 @ PRFC - 92+' (Youla, tied game 1-1) +1

7/09 v MNU - 78' (Mares, won game 1-0) +2

**DOING IT WITH DEFENSE:** Indy Eleven had been as steady as it could be in regards to its defensive unit to start the season, as coach Tim Hankinson rolled out the same back five in its first seven games - goalkeeper Jon Busch and defenders Nemanja Vuković (LB), Greg Janicki (LCB), captain Colin Falvev (RCB) and Lovel Palmer (RB). However, all good things must come to an end, as injuries have allowed Marco Franco and Cory Miller to collect several starts since late May.

While the personnel might have changed, the results have not. Indy Eleven has allowed just one goal or less in 13 of its 14 games across all competitions (11 of 12 in NASL play) in 2016, including four shutouts in NASL action. The team's nine goals conceded is the second fewest in the NASL, just one behind FC Edmonton's eight. With GK Jon Busch manning every minute in net, his resulting 0.75 GAA is the third-best among NASL 'keepers (minimum of 540 minutes played) after 12 games behind only NYC's Jimmy Maurer (0.67) and FCE's Matt VanOekel (0.67).

**"WON"-ZERO:** As good as Indy Eleven's defense has been, it's somewhat surprising that the team's first 1-0 victory of the season - last weekend's triumph over Minnesota - took 12 games to accomplish. Indy Eleven's offense was up and down throughout the course of the Spring Season, but when it was on it was one, registering multiple goals on four occasions - including a club-record four in back-to-back outings on May 21 (vs. MNU) and June 11 (vs. CAR). Thanks in large part to those offensive onslaughts, Indy Eleven is third in the NASL in scoring with 17 goals, behind just Minnesota (21) and New York (20). Meanwhile, Indy's +8 goal differential is just one behind the Cosmos' league high margin. Here's the breakdown of Indy Eleven's offensive output during the 2016 NASL season (wins in bold):

0 goals: 3 times (4/02 @TBR, 5/14 @ FTL, 6/04 @ MIA) 1 goal: 5 times (4/09 v OTT, 5/07 v FCE, 5/28 @ JAX, 7/02 @ PRFC, **7/09 v MNU**)

2 goals: 2 times (4/16 v NYC, 4/30 @ OKC)

3 goals: none

4 goals: 2 times (5/21 v MNU, 6/11 v CAR) Home: 13 goals in 6 games (2.17 avg)

Away: 4 goals in 6 games (0.75 avg)

LARREA LET GO AFTER SPRING: Indy Eleven's addition of senior internationals Gerardo Torrado and Souleymane Youla in June created a numbers game that unfortunately saw the club unable to pick up the Fall contract option of midfielder Gorka Larrea. The affable Spaniard started four of his eight appearances while fighting injuries in the Spring season and totaled 436 minutes of action - including a yeoman's 90 minutes in the team's Spring Season-championship clinching effort on June 11 versus Carolina. The subtraction of Larrea leaves 23 "Boys in Blue" on the roster, counting the on-loan Wojciech Wojcik (USL side OKC Energy FC).

**OVER THE HUMP AT HOME:** After going winless in its first 12 home games at Carroll Stadium in 2014, Indy Eleven has since gone 12W-6D-5L in its last 23 league outings at "The Mike," with its 1-0 win over Minnesota last Saturday officially pulling its career league home record back to the .500 mark. Carroll Stadium has become a fortress in 2016, with the "Boys in Blue" claiming 14 of 18 possible points and posting a +7 goal differential (13 GF / 6 GA) in its six league outings thus far.

Despite the iffy early returns on the field early in its tenure, "Indiana's Team" received plenty of support at home over the last two seasons, leading the NASL in attendance both in 2014 (10,285) and 2015 (9,809). Indy is in the top spot again with an 8,678 average in 2016.

All-time home record (2014-16): 12W-10D-12L (52 GF / 47 GA)

2016 Home record: 4W-2D-0L (13 GF / 6 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 its 2-1 win at Rayo OKC on April 30, draws in its four Spring Season trips to Florida and a Fall Season-opening 1-1 tie at Puerto Rico FC, Indy Eleven has earned points from all six of its away contests in 2016, the only team in the NASL to accomplish the feat. The results have pushed Indy Eleven's all-time away record to 7W-14D-13L (36 GF /55 GA).

**ZAYED IN GOLDEN BOOT HUNT (AND OTHER LEAGUE LEADERS):** Not only did Eamon Zayed's hat trick on June 11 against Carolina help Indy Eleven reach the top of the NASL table, but it also boosted him to the top spot on the league's Golden Boot goal-scoring chart ... temporarily, that is. The Irish-raised Libyan international's fourth, fifth and sixth goals put him one ahead of Minnesota's Christian Ramirez and Rayo OKC captain Michel at the time, but Ramirez's own hat trick last weekend vs. Carolina on July 2 allowed the 2014 NASL leading scorer to claim the top spot.

See below for a quick snapshot of "Boys in Blue" among the Top 10 in various NASL statistical categories in 2016:

**GOALS:** Eamon Zayed (6, 2nd), Justin Braun (3, T-10th)

ASSISTS: Nemanja Vukovic (3, T-3rd) SHOTS: Eamon Zayed (24, T-7th) CROSSES: Nicki Paterson (46, T-9th) CLEARANCES: Greg Janicki (46, T-9th)

GOALS AGAINST AVERAGE (min. 540 minutes): Jon

Busch (0.75, 3rd)

SAVES: Jon Busch (28, T-5th) WINS: Jon Busch (5, 4th)

SHUTOUTS: Jon Busch (4, T-3rd)

**GUINEAN INTERNATIONAL YOULA MAKES MEMORABLE DEBUT:** Souleymane Youla made his first NASL appearance in checkers a memorable one on July 2 at Puerto Rico FC. The 34-year-old Guinean international, signed on June 11, made his 11-minute appearance off the bench count, as his first shot in NASL play, a six-yard header off of Nemanja Vukovic's 92<sup>nd</sup> minute free kick, allowed Indy to steal a point at the death at Puerto Rico FC – and kept the "Boys in Blue" undefeated on the season. Youla made his competitive debut with Indy on June 15, when he played the final 51 minutes of the Eleven's Fourth Round U.S. Open Cup tie against MLS' Chicago Fire SC.

**VUKOVIC HELPING OUT:** It took Indy Eleven until its fourth game to register an assist, but the "Boys in Blue" have helped out on 10 of their last 14 tallies – including all four of the goals versus Carolina pivotal to its Spring Season hoisting effort. The 10 helpers have come from eight different players, with Nemanja Vukovic's pair against the RailHawks and his service on Souleymane Youla's late equalizer in the Fall Season opener on June 11 pushing him into a tie for third place in the league with three assists – and making him the only member of the "Boys in Blue" with multiple assists on the season.

### DEATH, TAXES, "VUKO" ON TEAM OF THE

**WEEK:** For the seventh time in 11 games, Indy Eleven left back Nemanja Vukovic has made the NASL Team of the Week, expanding his lead as the most-such recognized player in the NASL in 2016. See below for the full list of NASL Award winners for the "Boys in Blue" in 2016 ... and stay tuned to NASL.com Wednesday to see another pair of "Boys in Blue" making a return to the list.

### **NASL Player of the Month**

FW Eamon Zaved (June)

### **NASL Player of the Week**

FW Eamon Zayed (Spring 3 & 11)

### **NASL Team of the Week**

**DF Nemanja Vuković (Spring 2, 3, 5, 8, 10 & 11, Fall 1)** 

MF Dylan Mares (Spring 3)

FW Eamon Zayed (Spring 3 & 11)

FW Jair Reinoso (Spring 5)

MF Sinisa Ubiparipovic (Spring 5)

DF Greg Janicki (Spring 6)

GK Jon Busch (Spring 7)

FW Justin Braun (Spring 8 & 9)

DF Colin Falvey (Spring 11)

### INDY UPSETS LIGA MX CHAMP PACHUCA IN

**FRIENDLY:** Indy Eleven used an early tally by striker Eamon Zayed, a fantastic goalkeeping display by Keith Cardona and plenty of last-ditch defending to down recently-crowned Liga MX Clausura season champion C.F. Pachuca 1-0 in an international friendly June 26.

It was Zayed putting Indy up just seven minutes in with an opportunistic goal, collecting a clumsily played ball by the Tuzos' center backs and before slotting low and left of Alfonso Blanco to put the home side up 1-0. Another poor back pass by Pachuca sprung Zayed on goal in the 26<sup>th</sup> minute, but the Irishman hurried his chip past an onrushing Blanco, missing just left of the frame to keep things close.

Cardona would get the full shift between the posts, and he came up big on a handful of occasions, most notably a kick save on Erick Sanchez's 15-yard blast in the 82<sup>nd</sup> minute.

INDY KNOCKED OUT OF OPEN CUP BY – CHICAGO IN PKs: Indy Eleven took a Major League Soccer squad into added extra time of a Fourth Round Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup tie for the second time in three seasons, but would ultimately bow out to Chicago Fire SC 3-4 in penalty kicks following a 1-1 draw after the extra 30 minute session at Toyota Park on June 15.

It was the "Men in Red" enjoying the best chances through the scoreless 90 minutes of regulation, but Chicago's speedy attackers were missing the final touch when they weren't testing Indy goalkeeper Jon Busch, who made 7 stops on the night. At the end of the first 15 minute session of added extra time Justin Braun would put the visitors on top with a splendid left-footed finish, giving Indy's sizeable traveling contingent hope of advancing to the Round of 16. However, after missing several good looks throughout, Ghanaian striker David Accam would finally hit home for Fire SC, dekeing two defenders before finishing far post past Busch in the 111<sup>th</sup> minute, setting the stage for PKs.

Indy Eleven would go up 2-0 initially in penalties thanks to makes by Nicki Paterson and Eamon Zayed and a first chance miss from Kennedy Igboananike. However, Chicago 'keeper Matt Lampson would save Indy's next chances by Nemanja Vukovic and Daniel Keller, and Accam would polish off the fourth and final kick for Chicago to push the MLS'ers through to the final 16 team bracket.

### ZAYED NOTCHES INDY'S FIRST NASL

**HAT TRICK:** Eamon Zayed became the first Indy Eleven player to score multiple goals in 2016 with his brace against New York on April 16, but the Irish-born, Libyan international one-upped himself on June 11 by scoring the first hat trick for the "Boys in Blue" in NASL play.

While Wojciech Wojcik tallied thrice in preseason play against Arizona United back in March and Blake Smith did the deed in U.S. Open Cup play in 2014 against the Dayton Dutch Lions, Zayed became the first to do the honor against NASL competition in the team's 67<sup>th</sup> league game. Zayed became the fifth member of the "Boys in Blue" to tally a brace in regular season play – and is the only one on that list currently on the roster:

### Hat Tricks:

Eamon Zayed: 6/11/16 v CAR (4-1 W)

### Braces:

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) Eamon Zayed: 4/16/16 vs. NYC (2-1 W)

**"WOJ" GOES ON LOAN:** Indy Eleven announced May 18 that forward Wojciech Wojcik would be loaned to OKC Energy FC. The 23-year-old striker will stay in Oklahoma City for the rest of the USL side's 2016 season through September and report back to Indianapolis for the remainder of the Eleven's NASL campaign. Wojcik had made one appearance off the bench for Indy in 2016, this after he started 13 of 21 appearances during his first season with the club in 2015.

**ARE YOU EXPERIENCED?** The common thread with Indy Eleven's batch of 14 newcomers in 2016 can be summed up in one word – experience. Eleven of the 14 new "Boys in Blue" – including this week's additions of Gerardo Torrado (37) and Souleymane Youla (34) – are in their 30's, while two of the other three – Neil Shaffer (27) and Justin Braun (29) – have served as captain at their previous stop. With the additions of Torrado and Youla this week, Indy Eleven boasts the oldest roster in the NASL. Goalkeeper Jon Busch, now in his 20<sup>th</sup> professional season in American soccer circles, serves as the oldest of the group at 39 years of age, while second-year forward Duke Lacroix is the youngster at 22.

**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.

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

- MF 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, MF Dylan Mares, was born in South Bend, called Zionsville home and played 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

OFFSEASON MAKEOVER: 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. The roster to begin the season was split nearly down the middle between returning players (10) and newcomers (12) – 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. With the late-Spring Season addition of Gerardo Torrado and Souleymane Youla and recent departure of Gorka Larrea, the roster now includes 13 new "Boys in Blue" ...

Returning (10)	Newcomers (13)
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 Vuković
MF Dylan Mares	MF Nicki Paterson
MF Brad Ring	MF Sinisa Ubiparipović
MF Don Smart	MF Gerardo Torrado
FW Duke Lacroix	FW Justin Braun
FW Wojciech Wojcik	FW Jair Reinoso
	FW Eamon Zayed
	FW Omar Gordon
	FW Souleymane Youla

**FOREIGN EXCHANGE:** The remake of Indy Eleven's roster this offseason included a complete turnover of the team's designated international roster slots. All seven of the team's international slots (\* on the following list) have been filled, most recently via the acquisitions of Souleymane Youla and Gerardo Torrado. An additional three players that were foreign-born have American citizenship (marked with ^) ...

- \* DF Colin Falvey Ireland
- \* FW **Omar Gordon** Jamaica
- ^ DF Lovel Palmer Jamaica

- \* MF Nicki Paterson Scotland
- ^ FW Jair Reinoso Colombia
- \* MF Gerardo Torrado Mexico
- ^ MF Don Smart Jamaica/USA
- ^ MF Sinisa Ubiparipovic Bosnia & Herzegovina
- \* DF Nemanja Vukovic Montenegro
- \* FW Souleymane Youla Guinea/Turkey
- \* FW Eamon Zayed Ireland/Libya

**COMMON BONDS:** 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 Vuković 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.

**HANKINSON AT THE HELM:** Indy Eleven's offseason began in earnest on December 2, when veteran coach Tim Hankinson was named the second full-time head coach of "Indiana's Team." Indy Eleven is the latest stop on a now 36-year coaching journey that has seen Hankinson lead teams at nearly every level of the sport in the United States – including two years in the North American Soccer League and nine years in Major League Soccer – and taken him across the globe.

The native of New York City is familiar with the NASL after being named the first head coach of the San Antonio Scorpions in 2012, helping the expansion squad to the league's regular season championship in his first season. Hankinson is now 26W-18D-18L in 62 games overall in the NASL, the first 50 of which came with San Antonio from 2012-13 (21W-11D-18L)

### **2016 INDY ELEVEN MINI BIOS**

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### #20 – JUSTIN BRAUN FWD 6-2 195 lbs. 03/31/87 Salt Lake City, UT

Braun is entering the ninth season of his professional career, after signing with Indy Eleven alongside fellow ex-Sacramento Republic FC teammate Nemanja Vuković on 01/19/16 ... Kicked off pro career in 2008 with six-year run in Major League Soccer with Chivas USA, Montreal Impact, Real Salt Lake and Toronto FC, notching 27 goals and 15 assists across 135 MLS regular season and postseason games ... Joined former Chivas USA coach Preki in 2014 as one of the first signings with Sacramento, and was named the budding USL powerhouse's captain for both of its first two years ... Scored 14 goals and tallied one assist during 49 appearances in official competitions with SRFC across 2014-15, helping the side to the 2014 USL Championship in the team's Inaugural Season.

2016 Honors: NASL Team of the Week (Spring Weeks 8 & 9)

#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.

2016 Honors: NASL Team of the Week (Spring Week 7)

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

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 Fall Season Champion and The Championship finalist Ottawa Fury FC to join Indy Eleven with his signing on 01/15/16 (alongside Sinisa Ubiparipovic & Nicki Paterson) ... Started in all 32 appearances made for the Canadian club across all competitions last season, logging over 2,800 minutes ... Prior to his year north of the border, Falvey served as captain of the USL's Charleston Battery during the latter portion of his five-season stint from 2010-14 ... The 30-year-old began his professional career in his native Ireland in 2004 and has also plied his trade in New Zealand and 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) 2016 Honors: NASL Team of the Week (Spring Week 11)

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#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 loan 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)

#91 – OMAR GORDON FWD 5-9 171 lbs. 10/08/91 Montego Bay, Jamaica

Signed with Indy Eleven via loan deal with Jamaican side Montego Bay United on April 14 and joined club in Indy four days later ... Bagged a league-high 19 goals for Montego Bay United in 2015/16 and is fresh off of helping MBU to the Jamaican Red Stripe Premier League Final, having scored in the opening game of their 4-3 aggregate semifinal round triumph over Arnett Gardens ... Spent the entirety of his five-year professional career with his hometown club ... Was a member of Montego Bay United's 2013/14 championship side and 2014/15 runner-up squad ... Made two appearances off the bench during CONCACAF Champions League group stage last fall, playing a combined 48 minutes vs. D.C. United and Arabe Unido (Panama)

PREVIOUS CLUBS: Montego Bay United (2011-16)

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

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)

2016 Honors: NASL Team of the Week (Spring Week 6)

#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)

#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)

#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 leader in 2015 with 5 goals (tied w/ Brian Brown) and 5 assists (T-11th in NASL in assists) ... Eleven's career leader in assists in regular season play with 7 helpers ... Named to NASL Team of the Week 3 times in 2015 ... Re-signed with squad for 2016 season on 12/03/15 ... One of 3 players remaining from team's 2014 opening day roster (Smart & Ring)

2016 Honors: NASL Team of the Week (Spring Week 3)

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

#16 – CORY MILLER DEF 6-2 185 lbs. 7/22/88 Zionsville, II

Started 19 of his 21 appearances in 2015, both ranking in the team's top five ... Performances 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 (USL PRO, 2012-13), Carolina RailHawks (NASL, 2011), Olivet Nazarene Univ. (NAIA, 2007-2010)

#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.

#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.

2016 Honors: NASL Team of the Week (Spring Week 5), NASL Play of the Week (Spring Week 5)

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

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)

### #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.

### #7 – DON SMART MID 5-9 170 lbs. 12/02/87 Kingston, Jamaica

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)

### #3 – GERARDO TORRADO MID 5-9 161 lbs. 04/30/79 Mexico City, Mexico

Legendary Mexican international surprised many in North American soccer circles by ending lengthy tenure with Cruz Azul and signing with Indy Eleven on 06/08/16 ... 37-year-old defensive midfielder made unofficial Indy Eleven debut with starting nod (62 minutes) in exhibition play vs. Mexico's CF Pachuca on 6/28 ... Spent last 10 of his 11 seasons (2005-2016) with Liga MX powerhouse Cruz Azul as the side's captain, helping the squad to the 2014 CONCACAF Champions League and 2013 Copa MX titles in addition to four Liga MX finals appearances ... Began 20-year pro career with Mexico's UNAM Pumas (1997-2000) before spending five years in four clubs in Spain's top divisions (Tenerife, Polo Ejido, Sevilla and Racing Santander) ... His 146 caps with Mexico made him tied for second-most capped player in El Tri's history alongside Pavel Pardo ... Appeared in 11 of Mexico's 12 matches across 2002, 2006 & 2010 FIFA World Cups, starting 10 games, scoring once (2002 Group Stage, game-winner in 2-1 triumph over Ecuador) and serving as vice-captain during the 2010 tournament.

### #10 – SINIŜA UBIPARIPOVIĆ MID 5-9 163 lbs. 08/25/83 Cleveland, Oh

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)

2016 Honors: NASL Team of the Week (Spring Week 5)

### #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).

2016 Honors: NASL Team of the Week (Spring Weeks 1, 2, 5, 8, 10 & 11, Fall Week 1)

### #19 – WOJCIECH WOJCIK FWD 6-4 209 lbs. 05/31/92 Elmwood Park, l.

Sent on loan to USL's OKC Energy FC for remainder of their 2016 USL season on May 18 ... 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 ... Re-signed 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.

### #99 – SOULEYMANE YOULA FWD 5-11 170 lbs. 11/29/81 Conarky, Guinea

Joined Indy Eleven on 06/11/16, having most recently played for Hungarian First Division side Budapest Honved FC across 2014-16 (14 goals in 55 appearances) ... Made Indy debut is Lamar Hunt USOC 4<sup>th</sup> Round fixture @ CHI on 6/15 (59 min. off the bench in 1-1 D, 3-4 loss in PKs) ... Well-traveled striker spent most of his 17 seasons playing for top division teams in Belgium (Anderlecht, Lokeren, Sint-Niklaas, Tournai), Turkey (Besiktas, Genclerbirligi, Eskisehirspor, Denizlispor) and France (Lille, Metz, Amiens) ... 34-year-old forward also made 33 appearances for his native Guinea at the senior level, scoring 11 goals from 2004-2009.

#9 - EAMON ZA YED 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

2016 Honors: NASL Player of the Week (Spring Week 3 & 11), NASL Team of the Week (Spring Week 3 & 11), NASL Play of the Week (Spring Week 3)