## 2020 USL Championship Season



# COUISVILLE CITY FC GAME NOTES

#### **2017 & 2018 USL CUP CHAMPIONS**

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### 2020 USL CHAMPIONSHIP SEASON

#### MARCH

7 North Carolina FC W 1-0

#### JULY

- 12 **Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC** L 3-1
- 18 Saint Louis FC L 1-0
- 25 Sporting Kansas City II
- 29 Sporting Kansas City II

#### **AUGUST**

- 8 Indy Eleven
- 12 Sporting Kansas City II
- 15 Loudoun United FC
- 26 Indy Eleven
- 29 Saint Louis FC

#### **SEPTEMBER**

- 5 Indy Eleven
- 12 Saint Louis FC
- 16 Indy Eleven
- 19 **Memphis 901 FC**
- 26 Saint Louis FC

#### **OCTOBER**

3 Sporting Kansas City II

Home Games in **bold** 





#### **GAME INFORMATION**

LOUISVILLE CITY FC (1-2-0; 3 pts)

VS

Sporting Kansas City II (0-2-2; 0 pts)
Saturday, July 25, 2020 - 8:00 PM ET
Lynn Family Stadium - Louisville, KY

LOCAL TV: WBKI/The CW LOCAL RADIO: 840 WHAS STREAMING VIDEO: WDRB Now / ESPN+ LIVE STATS: USLChampionship.com/

Match-Center

#### REFEREES:

Head Official: TBA

ARs: TBA

4th Official: TBA

#### **HEAD-TO-HEAD**

#### **LAST 3 MEETINGS**

October 12, 2019 FT LOU 8 - SKC 3

May 6, 2019 FT SKC 3 - LOU 2

November 13, 2017 FT LOU 1 - SKC 0

ALL-TIME OVERALL (2-1-0)
ALL-TIME HOME (2-0-0)
ALL-TIME AWAY (0-1-0)

#### **GROUP E UPDATE**

With a victory Saturday, LouCity would pull even with Saint Louis FC for second in a regional pod also including leader Indy Eleven and Sporting KC II, which enters Lynn Family Stadium 0-2 in 2020. Sporting sticks around for back-to-back games against the boys in purple in this unique, COVID-19-influenced season with the other meeting Wednesday.

#### **HISTORY ON THE LINE**

The wrong side of history, that is. LouCity hasn't lost three straight USL home games in its existence dating back to the inaugural 2015 season. Once in club history has it dropped three straight USL games regardless of location. That was to end the 2015 regular season at New York Red Bulls II, at Charleston Batter and at Saint Louis FC.

#### **QUITE A HOME STAND**

LouCity's amidst an eight-game run of home dates at Lynn Family Stadium with league's Board of Governors previously approving unbalanced scheduling. Overall, 11 of the club's 16 regular-season games are scheduled to be played at Lynn Family Stadium, which has been reaching attendance of about 30% its maximum capacity.

#### **HOT STARTS**

LouCity has performed decisively better in the first half of its two games since the USL restart. On July 12, the boys in purple opened Lynn Family Stadium with an 18th-minute goal while, according to Opta statistics, lobbing 13 open play crosses to set up their chances compared to the opposition. Then last Saturday against Saint Louis FC, LouCity out-shot its rival 10-3 in the first half, didn't concede a shot on goal but also couldn't convert into a goal itself.

#### THE CENTURY MARK

Forward Cameron Lancaster's start last
Saturday equated to his 100th regular season
appearance in the USL Championship. Among
the 100 players to reach this mark, the 2018
Golden Boot winner's one goal per every 117.2
minutes entering the last game ranked No.
1 by a wide margin. Next on the list is former
LouCity man Lucky Mkosana at 42 goals in 105
appearances, good for 147.1 mins per goal.

### MAN OF THE MATCH

One of six changes from Game 1 to 2 of the USL restart included adding defender Pat McMahon to LouCity's lineup. Voted Man of the Match against Saint Louis FC, McMahon registered a team-high five tackles and three key passes. The veteran also gained possession 10 times for LouCity, including a give-and-take exchange in his own half near the start of the game that accounted for three of those in a matter of seconds.

#### **JOGO'S DEBUT**

Youth international Jonathan Gomez, who has represented both the United States and Mexico, checked in during the 83rd minute of the July 12 Pittsburgh game to mark his LouCity unveiling. The 16-year-old left back — in Louisville on a professional contract — is a player to watch bringing in some first team experience with FC Dallas system and with USL League One side North Texas SC.

#### LYNN FAMILY STADIUM

The \$65 million stadium sits on a 10-acre parcel in the Butchertown neighborhood east of downtown. Normal capacity is 15,304, and the venue could range up to 25,000 for concerts. Unique to Lynn is a 72-foot Modelo bar in the open end, believed to be the longest of its kind in Kentucky. The jumbotron ranks second in size behind only Churchill Downs' Big Board.

#### A SPORTING STANDOUT

Kansas City's goalkeeper is making this next week a homecoming with 18-year-old Brooks Thompson from southern Indiana. Thompson was key in a 2-1 loss last weekend at Indy Eleven as he made nine saves, tying for the most in a USL Championship game this season. Signed two years ago, he has also already trained with Sporting KC's Major League Soccer side.

#### **ABOUT THE PITCH**

The natural surface is made up of Tahoma 31 Bermuda overseeded with rye, and it can remain green year round thanks to a sub-air system that removes excessive moisture, but can also blow hot or cold air to keep grass at an ideal temperature. The lines measure 120 feet by 80, a major upgrade from the 105 by 75 pitch at LouCity's former home, Louisville Slugger Field.

#### IN THE STANDS

LouCity's attendance of 4,850 in its first two games back have marked the highest number of people to attend team sporting events in the United States since the COVID-19 pandemic put sports on pause. Club officials are following local government guidances and the Venue Shield plan devised by stadium operator ASM Global that calls for wearing masks in the stadium, physical distancing and temperature checks, among other measures to keep fans safe.

#### THE ESTOPINAL END

LouCity has ensured its late founder's legacy lives on within the club's new home. Architect and philanthropist Wayne Estopinal, who brought pro soccer to town, is the namesake behind the closed end of Lynn Family Stadium, the standing supporter zone. Estopinal, whose firm also designed the University of Louisville's similarly named Lynn Stadium, died in a November 2018 plane crash at age 63.

#### **FAMILIAR FACES**

Head coach John Hackworth kept the core of the roster, returning 17 players from the 2019 Louisville City team which won the Eastern Conference Title. Ten of the 11 starters from Louisville City's 2019 USL Championship Final team returned for the 2020 season.

Reti	urning (17)	Newcomers (8)	
GK	Chris Hubbard	D	Jimmy Ockford
GK	Ben Lundt	D	Jonathan Gomez*
D	Oscar Jimenez	D	Wes Charpie
D	Pat McMahon	MF	Corben Bone
D	Alexis Souahy	MF	Damir Beganovic*
D	Sean Totsch	MF	Elijah Wynder
D	Akil Watts	F	Cameron Lancaster
MF	Paolo DelPiccolo	GK	Muamer Ugarak*
MF	Napo Matsoso		
MF	Niall McCabe		
MF	Magnus Rasmussen		
MF	Speedy Williams		
F	George Davis IV		
F	Antoine Hoppenot		
F	Brian Ownby		
F	Luke Spencer		
F	Devon "Speedy" Will	iams	*Academy

#### **PRONUNCIATION GUIDE**

- **3 Alexis Souahy** (ah-LEX-ee Soo-WAH-hee)
- 4 Totsch (TOE-sh)
- **5** Ockford (AHK-ford)
- 6 Charpie (Sharpie)
- 7 Rasmussen (RAS-mew-sen)
- 8 Akil (ah-KEEL)
- 14 Abdou Thiam (ab-DOO JH-ahm, French JH)
- 19 Jimenez (hi-MEN-ez)
- 27 Napo Matsoso (NAH-poe Mah-SO-so)
- 29 Antoine Hoppenot (AN-twan O-pen-oh)
- 36 Paolo DelPiccolo (POW-low del-PIC-oh-lo)
- 39 Lundt (Loont)
- 61 Elijah Wynder (e-LIE-juh WINE-dur)
- 91 Muamer Ugarak (Moo-a-mar OO-gar-ack)

#### **2020 INDIVIDUAL ACCOLADES**

**USL Save of the Week:** 

GK Ben Lundt - Week 1

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## **2020 LOUISVILLE CITY FC ROSTER**

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	HOMETOWN	NATIONALITY	DoB
1	HUBBARD, CHRIS	GK	6'3	203	Louisville, KY	USA	11/23/1994
3	SOUAHY, ALEXIS	D	6'1	180	Seine-Saint-Denis, FRN	France	1/13/1995
4	TOTSCH, SEAN	D	6'1	188	Oswego, IL	USA	9/16/1991
5	OCKFORD, JIMMY	D	6'1	185	Yardley, PA	USA	6/10/1992
6	CHARPIE, WES	D	6'0	174	Tarpon Springs, FL	USA	11/4/1992
7	RASMUSSEN, MAGNUS	MF	6'1	163	Copenhagen, DEN	Denmark	4/18/1993
8	WATTS, AKIL	D	6'0	157	Ft. Wayne, IN	USA	2/4/2000
9	SPENCER, LUKE	F	6'2	195	Cincinnati, OH	USA	11/28/1990
10	OWNBY, BRIAN	F	5'11	155	Glen Allen, VA	USA	7/16/1990
11	McCABE, NIALL	MF	5'8	167	Dublin, Ireland	Ireland	10/6/1990
13	BONE, CORBEN	MF	5'8	160	Plano, TX	USA	9/16/1988
14	THIAM, ABDOU	F	6'0	162	Dakar, Senegal	Senegal	2/3/1992
15	McMAHON, PAT	D	5'11	160	Bolingbrook, IL	USA	11/5/1986
17	LANCASTER, CAMERON	F	6'0	190	London, England	England	11/5/1992
19	JIMENEZ, OSCAR	D	5'8	156	Mount Vernon, WA	USA	11/3/1989
22	DAVIS IV, GEORGE	F	5'9	160	Lima, OH	USA	8/5/1987
27	MATSOSO, NAPO	MF	5'6	150	Maseru, Lesotho	Lesotho	5/27/1994
29	HOPPENOT, ANTOINE	F	5'8	168	Paris, FRN	France	11/23/1990
36	DelPICCOLO, PAOLO	MF	6'1	169	Wheat Ridge, CO	USA	5/28/1991
39	LUNDT, BEN	GK	6'6	220	Berlin, Germany	Germany	9/24/1995
42	GOMEZ, JONATHAN	D	5'10	155	Keller, TX	USA	9/1/2003
45	BEGANOVIC, DAMIR	MF	5'8	145	Bowling Green, KY	USA	5/31/2004
61	WYNDER, ELIJAH	MF	6'1	170	Louisville, KY	USA	3/10/2003
80	WILLIAMS, DEVON "SPEEDY"	"MF	5'8	147	Kingston, Jamaica	Jamaica	4/8/1992
91	UGARAK, MUAMER	GK	6'0	186	Sanski Most, BiH	Bosnia & Herzegovina	1/22/02

Head Coach: John Hackworth

Assistant Coach & Technical Director: Danny Cruz

Goalkeepers Coach: Scott Budnick

VP of Soccer Operations: Andrew DiLallo

Equipment Manager: Ben Hulsman

Director of Sports Performance: Stuart Wright

## **2020 REGULAR SEASON STATS**

GOALS		TOTAL	GOALS CON	CEDED	TOTAL
LOU		2	LOU		4
USL Rank:	T-22		USL Rank:	T-11	
ASSISTS		TOTAL	FOULS CON	CEDED	TOTAL
LOU		1	LOU		27
			USL Rank:	25	
PASSES		TOTAL	CAUTIONS		TOTAL
LOU		1,483	LOU		2
USL Rank:	6		USL Rank:	T-29	
SHOTS		TOTAL	<b>EJECTIONS</b>		TOTAL
LOU		43	LOU		0
USL Rank:	8		USL Rank:	T-6	Stats as of 7/23

## **2020 PLAYER & GOALKEEPING STATS**

#	NAME	POS	GP	GS	MIN	G	А	SH	KP (incl	. A)	Υ	R
3	SOUAHY, ALEXIS	D	1	1	90	0	0	0	0		0	0
4	TOTSCH, SEAN	D	1	1	90	0	0	0	1		0	0
5	OCKFORD, JIMMY	D	2	2	145	0	0	Ο	0		Ο	0
6	CHARPIE, WES	D	2	2	180	0	0	0	0		Ο	0
7	RASMUSSEN, MAGNUS	MF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-
8	WATTS, AKIL	D	2	1	135	0	0	0	1		0	0
9	SPENCER, LUKE	F	2	0	38	0	0	1	0		0	0
10	OWNBY, BRIAN	F	3	3	172	Ο	0	9	1		Ο	0
11	McCABE, NIALL	MF	3	1	145	Ο	0	1	2		Ο	0
13	BONE, CORBEN	MF	3	3	244	Ο	1	3	5		Ο	0
14	THIAM, ABDOU	F	2	1	81	0	0	3	2		Ο	0
15	McMAHON, PAT	D	2	2	180	0	0	Ο	4		Ο	0
17	LANCASTER, CAMERON	F	3	3	267	1	0	15	3		Ο	0
19	JIMENEZ, OSCAR	D	2	2	196	0	0	1	6		Ο	0
22	DAVIS IV, GEORGE	F	1	0	1	0	0	0	1		Ο	0
27	MATSOSO, NAPO	MF	3	2	215	0	0	2	1		Ο	0
29	HOPPENOT, ANTOINE	F	2	1	99	0	0	0	3		0	0
	DelPICCOLO, PAOLO	MF	2	1	69	Ο	0	0	0		0	0
42	GOMEZ, JONATHAN	D	1	0	6	Ο	0	Ο	0		Ο	0
45	BEGANOVIC, DAMIR	MF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-
61	WYNDER, ELIJAH	MF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-
80	WILLIAMS, DEVON "SPEEDY	" MF	3	3	269	1	0	6	3		1	0
#	NAME	POS	GP	GS	MIN	GA	GAA	SV	SHT	SV%	CS	W-L-D
1	HUBBARD, CHRIS	GK	1	1	90	1	1.00	1	2	50%	0	0-1-0
39	LUNDT, BEN	GK	2	2	180	3	1.50	3	6	50%	1	1-1-0
91	UGARAK, MUAMER	GK	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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## **EASTERN CONFERENCE GROUP STANDINGS**

#### **GROUP E**

### **GROUP G**

TEAM	GP	RECORD	PTS	GD	TEAM	GP	RECORD	PTS
INDY ELEVEN	4	4-0-0	12	+6	BIRMINGHAM	2	2-0-0	6
SAINT LOUIS FC	3	2-1-0	6	+2	CHARLOTTE	1	1-0-0	3
LOUISVILLE CITY FC	3	1-2-0	3	-2	NORTH CAROLINA	2	O-1-1	1
SPORTING KC II	2	0-2-0	0	-2	MEMPHIS 901 FC	3	0-2-1	1

### **GROUP F**

### **GROUP H**

TEAM	GP	RECORD	PTS	GD
PITTSBURGH	3	2-1-0	6	+7
HARTFORD ATHLETIC	2	2-0-3	6	+3
NY RED BULLS II	3	1-2-0	3	+2
LOUDOUN UNITED FC	2	O-1-1	1	-2
PHILADELPHIA	3	0-2-1	1	-10

TEAM	GP	RECORD	PTS	GD
TAMPA BAY	3	2-0-1	7	+2
CHARLESTON	2	1-1-O	3	0
ATLANTA UNITED II	3	0-2-1	1	-2
THE MIAMI FC	1	O-1-O	0	-3

Standings as of 7/23

GD +4

> -1 -5

Top two teams in each group advance to postseason



## HEAD COACH JOHN HACKWORTH

On Thursday, August 2, 2018, Louisville City Football Club announced the appointment of John Hackworth as the club's second-ever head coach. After an international search led to Hackworth, the 48-year-old native of Dunedin, Florida, signed a contract spanning through the 2022 season.

Hackworth had been in charge of the U.S. U-17 Men's National Team since 2015 and has served as an assistant to the U.S. Men's National Team since the beginning of this year. An experienced coach at the national level, Hackworth began with U.S. Soccer in 2002 when he first served as an assistant to then-U.S. U-17 Men's National Team head coach John Ellinger. Hackworth would go on to succeed Ellinger and lead the U-17's to finishes in the quarterfinals of the 2005 FIFA U-17 World Cup and Round of 16 in the 2007 FIFA U-17 World Cup. Following his time in charge of the U-17's, Hackworth also served as the inaugural Technical Director of the U.S. Soccer Development Academy.

Outside of his time with U.S. Soccer, Hackworth's experience extends to both the collegiate and professional levels of the game. He began as an assistant coach for the Wake Forest University women's and men's teams in 1993 and 1994. Hackworth was then named the head coach at the University of South Florida in 1998, where he led the Bulls to two NCAA Tournament Appearances.

In Major League Soccer, Hackworth spent five years with the Philadelphia Union, serving as the club's Youth Development Coordinator from 2009-12, and head coach from 2012-14 before returning to take charge of the U.S. U-17 Men's National Team.



## ASSISTANT COACH DANNY CRUZ

On Thursday, September 27, 2018, Louisville City FC announced the addition of Danny Cruz as coach John Hackworth's first Assistant Coach.

A former assistant at Real Monarchs SLC, Cruz came on board after ending his playing career ahead of the 2018 USL regular season. Prior to taking on his role with the Monarchs, Cruz's

extensive playing career saw him register 137 career Major League Soccer appearances in total.

A native of Petersburg, Virginia, Cruz's decade-long playing career began with the Des Moines Menace, where current LouCity players Richard Ballard and Tim Dobrowolski have spent time. After leaving the University of Nevada-Las Vegas, Cruz was drafted in the third round (41st overall) of the 2009 MLS SuperDraft by the Houston Dynamo. The former winger clocked time with the Dynamo, D.C. United, and Philadelphia Union in Major League Soccer before spending one year with Minnesota United and part of one year with the San Francisco Deltas in the NASL before leaving for Real Monarchs SLC in August 2017.



## GK **CHRIS HUBBARD**

#1

**2019 SEASON:** 24 GP | 24 GS - 2,220 MIN | 78 SV | 29 GA | 5 CS

LAST MATCH: vs STL | 90 MIN | 1 GA | 1 SV



### D **ALEXIS SOUAHY**

#3

**2019 SEASON:** 24 GP | 19 GS - 1,614 MIN | 1 G | 2 A | 2 YC | 1 RC **LAST MATCH:** vs PIT | 90 MIN | 79.5% PA | 1 FOUL | 1 CL



## D **SEAN TOTSCH**

#4

**2019 SEASON:** 33 GP | 26 GS - 2,365 MIN | 1 G | 1 A | 88 CL | 2 YC

LAST MATCH: vs STL | 90 MIN | 80% PA | 1 CL



## D **JIMMY OCKFORD**

#5

**2019 SEASON:** 16 GP | 16 GS - 1,422 MIN | 2 G | 66 CL | 4 YC **LAST MATCH:** vs PIT | 55 MIN | 82.7% PA | 2 FOUL | 1 CL



## D WES CHARPIE

#6

**2019 SEASON:** 28 GP | 28 GS - 2,392 MIN | 1 A | 63 CL | 8 YC

**LAST MATCH:** vs STL | 90 MIN | 78.3% PA | 60 P



## MF MAGNUS RASMUSSEN

#7

**2019 SEASON:** 36 GP | 35 GS - 3,045 MIN | 17 G | 3 A | 7 YC **LAST MATCH:** vs SLC | 90 MIN | 1 G | 5 SH | 1 FOUL



### D **AKIL WATTS**

#8

2019 SEASON: 4 GP | 3 GS - 236 | 8 CL

**LAST MATCH:** vs PIT | 90 MIN | 76.7% PA | 2 CL | 1 FOUL



### F LUKE SPENCER

#9

**2019 SEASON:** 35 GP | 20 GS - 2,004 MIN | 10 G | 4 A | 2 YC **LAST MATCH:** vs PIT | 35 MIN (SUB) | 80% PA | 10 TOUCHES



### F BRIAN OWNBY

#10

**2019 SEASON:** 24 GP | 20 GS - 1,849 MIN | 2 G | 5 A | 4 YC | 1 RC **LAST MATCH:** vs STL | 90 MIN | 83.9% PA | 2 SH | 1 FOUL



## MF NIALL McCABE

#11

**2019 SEASON:** 33 GP | 32 GS - 2,924 MIN | 3 G | 6 A | 2 YC | 1 RC **LAST MATCH:** vs STL | 29 MIN (SUB) | 83.3% PA | 1 SH | 1 FOUL



## MF **CORBEN BONE**

#13

**2019 SEASON**: GP 6 | GS 2 - 186 MIN **LAST MATCH**: vs STL | 90 MIN | 83.7% PA | 1 SH | 1 FOUL



### F **ABDOU THIAM**

#14

**2019 SEASON:** 26 GP | 12 GS - 1,236 MIN | 3 G | 4 A | 4 YC **LAST MATCH:** vs STL | 17 MIN (SUB) | 66.7% PA | 2 SH | 1 FOUL



## PAT McMAHON

#15

**2019 SEASON:** 17 GP | 10 GS - 1,141 MIN | 1 G | 2 A | 30 CL | 4 YC **LAST MATCH:** vs STL | 90 MIN | 76.2% PA | 2 CL | 5 TK | 1 FOUL



## CAMERON LANCASTER

#17

**2019 SEASON:** 18 GP | 7 GS - 730 MIN | 5 G | 1 A **LAST MATCH:** vs STL | 90 MIN | 61.5% PA | 8 SH



### D **OSCAR JIMENEZ**

#19

**2019 SEASON:** 37 GP | 37 GS - 3,341 MIN | 1 G | 7 A | 59 CL | 4 YC **LAST MATCH:** vs STL | 61 MIN | 77.6% PA | 1 CL | 1 SH



## F GEORGE DAVIS IV

#22

**2019 SEASON:** 32 GP | 12 GS - 1,215 MIN | 3 G | 2 A | 1 YC

LAST MATCH: vs STL | 1 MIN (SUB) | 1 KP



## MF NAPO MATSOSO

#27

**2019 SEASON**: 23 GP | 20 GS - 1,701 MIN | 5 G | 1 A | 4 YC | 1 RC **LAST MATCH**: vs STL | 90 MIN | 89.8% PA | 2 SH | 3 FOULS



### F ANTOINE HOPPENOT

#29

**2019 SEASON:** 30 GP | 20 GS - 1,978 MIN | 5 G | 2 A | 4 YC **LAST MATCH:** vs STL | 73 MIN | 75% PA | 3 KP | 1 FOUL



## MF PAOLO DelPICCOLO

#36

**2019 SEASON:** 17 GP | 10 GS - 915 MIN | 2 G | 3 YC **LAST MATCH:** vs PIT | 55 MIN | 83.7% PA | 47 TOUCHES



## GK **BEN LUNDT**

#39

**2019 SEASON:** 12 GP | 12 GS - 1,080 MIN | 27 SV | 11 GA | 4 CS **LAST MATCH:** vs PIT | 90 MIN | 1 SV | 3 GA



## JONATHAN GOMEZ

**2019 SEASON:** N/A

LAST MATCH: vs PIT | 6 MIN | 100% PA | 8 TOUCHES



## MF **DAMIR BEGANOVIC**

2019 SEASON: N/A LAST MATCH: N/A



## MF **ELIJAH WYNDER**

2019 SEASON: N/A LAST MATCH: N/A



## MF **DEVON "SPEEDY" WILLIAMS**

**2019 SEASON:** 30 GP | 30 GS - 2,760 MIN | 1 G | 1 A | 7 YC **LAST MATCH:** vs STL | 89 MIN | 78.3% PA | 2 SH | 1 FOUL | 1 YC

#42

#45

#61

#80

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## GK **MUAMER UGARAK**

2019 SEASON: N/A LAST MATCH: N/A