

PITTSBURGH RIVERHOUNDS SC (5-3-1) AT HARTFORD ATHLETIC (5-1-1)

Friday, Aug. 28, 2020 >> 7 p.m. ET >> Dillon Stadium >> Hartford, CT

TALE OF THE TAPE



PITTSBURGH

HARTFORD

5-3-1	Record	5-1-1
1st	Group Standing	2nd
3-1-1	Last Five	3-1-1
T1	Streak	T1
Bob Lilley	Head Coach	Radhi Jaidi
@RiverhoundsSC	Twitter Handles	@hfdathletic

All-Time Head-to-Head	2-0-0
Referee	TBD
Assistants	TBD
Fourth Official	TBD
Unavailable for Selection	Xhelli Asani Dani Rovira Tony Walls

STAT COMPARISON

Hounds	Category	Hartford
2.44	Scoring Average	2.29
0.89	Opponent Scoring Average	1.57
22	Goals Scored	16
8	Goals Allowed	11
+14	Goal Differential	+5
16	Assists	12
9.89	Shots/Game	12.71
4.89	SOG/Game	5.57
18	Yellow Cards	19
0	Red Cards	0

TEAM LEADERS

Hounds	Category	Hartford
Steevan Dos Santos, 5	Goals	Ever Guzmán, 4
Kenardo Forbes, 7	Assists	Danny Barrera, 6
Two tied, 10	Points	Two tied, 8
Ropapa Mensah, 14	Shots	Two tied, 13
Thomas Vancaeyezeele, 810	Minutes	Two tied, 630
Skylar Thomas, 3	Yellow Cards	Matheus Silva, 5
-	Red Cards	-
Tomas Gomez, 0.86	GAA	Parfait Mandanda, 1.57
Two tied, .714	SV%	Parfait Mandanda, .522

GAME 10 - QUICK HITTERS

- Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (5-3-1 overall, 3-2-0 away) prepares for a top-of-the-group showdown with Hartford Athletic (5-1-1 overall, 4-0-1 home). Riverhounds SC (16 points) and Hartford (16 points) sit atop of Group F. The Hounds are first via goal differential tiebreaker.
- This will be the first meeting between Hartford and Pittsburgh this season. Three of the Hounds' final seven games will come against Hartford.
- The Hounds are 4-1-0 and are averaging 3.4 goals scored per game in group matches.
- This will be the first match of a three-game-in-nine-day stretch for Riverhounds SC.
- Pittsburgh has a 2-0-0 all-time record against Hartford Athletic, including a 1-0-0 mark in away matches. The club defeated Hartford, 4-2, last season at Dillon Stadium.
- The Hounds have scored the second-most goals (22) in the entire USL Championship and sit behind Phoenix Rising FC by six tallies.
- Pittsburgh leads the entire USL Championship with a 31 percent conversion rate, which is 7 percent better than the next closest club.
- Kenardo Forbes is second in the USL Championship with seven assists.
- Defender Thomas Vancaeyezeele has played every minute this season for the Hounds.
- In 85 all-competition matches under head coach Bob Lilley, the Hounds have allowed just 0.86 goals per game.
- Riverhounds SC is undefeated (13-0-0) all-time when forward Steevan Dos Santos scores a goal.

2020 SCHEDULE & RECORD

League Record: 5-3-1

Home: 2-1-1 • Away: 3-2-0 • Group Play: 4-1-0

JULY

Sun. 12	@Louisville City FC	ESPN2	W, 3-1
Sat. 18	@Philadelphia Union II	WPNT	W, 6-0
Wed. 22	Indy Eleven	ESPN2	L, 0-1
Sun. 26	@New York Red Bulls II	WPNT	L, 1-2

AUGUST

Sat. 1	Philadelphia Union II	WPNT	W, 4-0
Sat. 8	New York Red Bulls II	WPNT	W, 4-1
Sat. 15	@Indy Eleven	WPNT	L, 0-1
Wed. 19	@Loudoun United FC	ESPN+	W, 2-0
Sat. 22	Saint Louis FC	WPNT	T, 2-2
Fri. 28	@Hartford Athletic	ESPN+	7 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

Tue. 1	Loudoun United FC	ESPN+	7 p.m.
Sat. 5	@New York Red Bulls II	WPNT	5 p.m.
Sat. 12	Hartford Athletic	WPNT	7 p.m.
Sat. 19	@Loudoun United FC	WPNT	6:30 p.m.
Sat. 26	Hartford Athletic	WPNT	7 p.m.

OCTOBER

Sat. 3	Philadelphia Union II	WPNT	7 p.m.
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*Times, dates and locations subject to change

SUPERLATIVES

TEAM				
Hounds High	Hounds Low	Category	Opp High	Opp Low
18 (at Philadelphia 7/18)	0 (two times)	Points	5 (at New York 7/26)	0 (three times)
6 (at Philadelphia 7/18)	0 (two times)	Goals	2 (two times)	0 (three times)
6 (at Philadelphia 7/18)	0 (three times)	Assists	1 (four times)	0 (five times)
20 (vs. New York 8/8)	6 (two times)	Shots	17 (vs. Saint Louis 8/22)	4 (two times)
11 (at Philadelphia 7/18)	1 (vs. Indy 7/22)	SOG	7 (vs. Saint Louis 8/22)	1 (at Philadelphia 7/18)
5 (vs. Saint Louis 8/22)	1 (three times)	Saves	5 (two times)	1 (five times)
22 (vs. Indy 7/22)	7 (at Philadelphia 7/18)	Fouls	19 (at New York 7/26)	6 (two times)

MILESTONE TRACKER

- With 24 assists in his Hounds career, **Kenardo Forbes** is tied for third in club history with Matthew Dallman. He only sits behind David Flavius (25) and Kevin Kerr (27).

CLUB NOTABLES

Most Appearances	David Flavius (183)
All-Time Goals Leader	David Flavius (58)
All-Time Assists Leader	Kevin Kerr (27)
All-Time Record at Highmark Stadium	54-36-35

Last Game Summary

Riverhounds SC 2, Saint Louis FC 2

Game 9 • Highmark Stadium • Aug. 22, 2020

Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (5-3-1) tied Saint Louis FC (4-3-2), 2-2, on Saturday at Highmark Stadium. Ropapa Mensah started the scoring for the Hounds in the 16th minute, and Robbie Mertz added another in the 40th minute to give the Hounds a two-goal lead. Kyle Greig cut the deficit to one for Saint Louis in first-half stoppage time, and Wal Fall scored the match's final goal in the 57th minute.



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QUICK FACTS

General Information

Name: Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC
 City/Zip: Pittsburgh, PA 15219
 Founded: March 11, 1998
 Nickname: Hounds
 Colors: Black & Gold
 Conference: USL Championship Eastern Conference
 Venue: Highmark Stadium
 Capacity: 5,000
 Owner: Tuffy Shallenberger
 Website: www.riverhounds.com

RECORD WHEN...

At home.....	2-1-1
On road	3-2-0
In games decided by one goal.....	0-3
In games decided by two goals or more.....	5-0
vs. clubs with winning records.....	1-2-1
vs. clubs with losing records.....	3-1-0
vs. clubs with .500 records	1-0-0
Scoring first.....	4-1-1
Leading at half.....	4-0-1
Trailing at half.....	0-1-0
Tied at half.....	1-2-0
Leading with 10:00 remaining.....	5-0-0
Trailing with 10:00 remaining	0-1-0
Tied with 10:00 remaining.....	0-2-1
Leading with 5:00 remaining	5-0-0
Trailing with 5:00 remaining	0-1-0
Tied with 5:00 remaining.....	0-2-1
Outshooting opponent	2-2-0
Being outshot by opponent	3-1-1
Tying in shots with opponent	0-0-0
Scoring no goals.....	0-2-0
Scoring one goal	0-1-0
Scoring two goals.....	1-0-1
Scoring three goals	1-0-0
Scoring four or more goals.....	3-0-0
Allowing no goals.....	3-0-0
Allowing one goal	2-2-0
Allowing two goals.....	0-1-1
Allowing three goals.....	0-0-0
Allowing four or more goals.....	0-0-0
On weekdays.....	1-1-0
On weekends	4-2-1
In July	2-2-0
In August	3-1-1
In September.....	0-0-0
In October.....	0-0-0

Miscellaneous

Current Streak.....	T1
Home Streak.....	T1
Road Streak	W1
Consecutive games with a goal.....	2
Consecutive games allowing one goal or less	0

ACTIVE ROSTER

Roster Size: 24 • Returners: 9 • Newcomers: 15

NUMERICAL

No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Age	Hometown (Previous Club)
1	Danny Vitiello	GK	6-2	185	24	Massapequa, N.Y. (Nashville SC)
2	Mark Lindstrom*	D	6-3	200	24	Gavle, Gastrikland, Sweden (UNCW)
3	Ropapa Mensah	F	6-0	170	23	Accra, Ghana (Nashville SC)
4	Dani Rovira	M	5-9	145	23	Bogota, Colombia (University of Vermont)
5	Jordan Dover	D	5-8	150	25	Ajax, Ontario, Canada (Rochester Rhinos)
6	Xhelil Asani	D	6-1	165	24	Kičevo, North Macedonia (SKA Khabarovsk)
7	Ryan James	D	5-8	155	26	Mississauga, Ontario, Canada (Nashville SC)
8	Dakota Barnathan	M	6-2	165	25	Massapequa, N.Y. (Ottawa Fury FC)
9	Albert Dikwa	F	5-11	161	22	Garoua, Cameroon (Saint Louis FC)
10	Steevan Dos Santos	F	6-4	208	30	Mindelo, Cape Verde (Ottawa Fury FC)
11	Kenardo Forbes	M	5-10	165	32	Kingston, Jamaica (Rochester Rhinos)
12	Danny Griffin*	M	5-9	165	22	Wethersfield, Conn. (Providence College)
14	Robbie Mertz	M	5-7	150	23	Pittsburgh, Pa. (University of Michigan)
15	Anthony Velarde	M	5-7	160	24	Reedley, Calif. (Fresno Pacific University)
16	Mark Forrest	F	6-3	195	23	Douglassville, Pa. (Lehigh University)
17	Thomas Vancaeyezeele	D	5-11	180	26	Caen, France (University of Charleston)
18	Tomas Gomez	GK	6-1	196	27	Webster Groves, Mo. (Saint Louis FC)
20	Tony Walls	D	5-11	185	30	Wauwatosa, Wis. (Chattanooga Red Wolves SC)
21	Patrick Bunk-Andersen	D	6-2	172	25	Hvidovre, Denmark (Toronto FC II)
22	Hunter Ashworth*	D	6-5	180	22	Laguna Beach, Calif. (UCSB)
23	Ray Lee	D	5-11	176	27	Kansas City, Mo. (Chattanooga FC)
24	Anthony Mwembia*	GK	6-2	191	24	Toulouse, France (Bowling Green State University)
33	Lukas Fernandes*	F	5-10	165	22	Rochester, N.Y. (Temple University)
34	Skylar Thomas	D	6-4	198	27	Scarborough, Ontario, Canada (Valour FC)

ALPHABETICAL

No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Age	Hometown (Previous Club)
6	Xhelil Asani	D	6-1	165	24	Kičevo, North Macedonia (SKA Khabarovsk)
22	Hunter Ashworth*	D	6-5	180	22	Laguna Beach, Calif. (UCSB)
8	Dakota Barnathan	M	6-2	165	25	Massapequa, N.Y. (Ottawa Fury FC)
21	Patrick Bunk-Andersen	D	6-2	172	25	Hvidovre, Denmark (Toronto FC II)
9	Albert Dikwa	F	5-11	161	22	Garoua, Cameroon (Saint Louis FC)
10	Steevan Dos Santos	F	6-4	208	30	Mindelo, Cape Verde (Ottawa Fury FC)
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20	Tony Walls	D	5-11	185	30	Wauwatosa, Wis. (Chattanooga Red Wolves SC)

TECHNICAL STAFF

Head Coach: Bob Lilley
 Assistant Coach: Dan Visser
 Goalkeeping Coach: Michael Behonick

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

XHELIL ASANI	JA-LEEL A-SAAN-EE
Dakota BARNATHAN	BAR-NUH-THUN
Albert DIKWA	DEEK-WA
TOMAS GOMEZ	TOE-MAS GO-MEZ
ROPAPA MENSAB	ROH-PAH-PUH MEN-SUH
Anthony MWEMBIA	MWEM-BEE-A
Thomas VANCAEYZEELE	VAN-KAY-YAH-ZEEL
Anthony VELARDE	VEY-LAR-DEH
Danny VITIELLO	VIT-EE-EL-OH

* Rookie

▶ PLAYER STATISTICS

INDIVIDUAL

No.	Name	GP	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG	FC	T	CL	PK	PKG	YC	RC
2	Mark Lindstrom	3	164	0	0	0	0	0	4	5	8	0	0	1	0
3	Ropapa Mensah	9	614	3	2	8	14	6	20	4	4	0	0	1	0
4	Dani Rovira	6	317	0	1	1	0	0	4	8	4	0	0	0	0
5	Jordan Dover	9	746	1	0	2	5	3	14	17	11	0	0	1	0
6	Xhelil Asani	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	Ryan James	9	729	1	0	2	2	1	8	21	6	0	0	0	0
8	Dakota Barnathan	6	182	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	3	0	0	2	0
9	Albert Dikwa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10	Steevan Dos Santos	8	505	5	0	10	13	10	11	5	0	0	0	2	0
11	Kenardo Forbes	9	783	0	7	7	6	3	5	21	10	0	0	0	0
12	Danny Griffin	9	581	1	2	4	4	2	10	7	0	0	0	1	0
14	Robbie Mertz	9	779	4	2	10	7	6	12	16	3	2	1	2	0
15	Anthony Velarde	8	311	3	1	7	3	3	10	3	0	0	0	2	0
16	Mark Forrest	7	149	0	0	0	1	1	1	3	1	0	0	0	0
17	Thomas Vancaeyezeele	9	810	1	0	2	4	2	8	15	27	0	0	2	0
20	Tony Walls	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
21	Patrick Bunk-Andersen	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
22	Hunter Ashworth	4	253	0	0	0	0	0	5	6	8	0	0	1	0
23	Ray Lee	3	245	0	1	1	0	0	0	3	6	0	0	0	0
33	Lukas Fernandes	9	205	2	0	4	4	4	2	4	1	0	0	0	0
34	Skylar Thomas	9	727	1	0	2	9	3	15	15	36	0	0	3	0

GOALKEEPERS

No.	Name	GP	MIN	GA	SV	CS	SV%	GAA
1	Danny Vitiello	2	180	2	5	1	.714	1.00
18	Tomas Gomez	7	630	6	15	2	.714	0.86
24	Anthony Mwembia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

▶ REGULAR SEASON LEAGUE HONORS

USL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM OF THE WEEK (by last name)

- Jordan Dover (Week 3)
Kenardo Forbes (Week 4, Week 6)
Danny Griffin (Week 4)
Robbie Mertz (Week 3, Week 7)
Danny Vitiello (Week 9)

▶ REGULAR SEASON BOX SCORES

Opponent	W/L/T	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG	POSS	PA%	CK	OFF	FC	PK	PKG	YC	RC	OG	S
HOUNDS	W	3	3	9	6	4	34.6	68.0	9	2	17	0	0	2	0	0	2
@Louisville		1	1	3	11	3	65.4	81.9	4	1	8	0	0	0	0	0	1
HOUNDS	W	6	6	18	15	11	63.3	77.3	7	1	7	0	0	0	0	0	1
@Philadelphia		0	0	0	4	1	36.7	60.6	0	1	6	0	0	1	0	0	5
@HOUNDS	L	0	0	0	9	1	53.7	72.1	6	3	22	0	0	5	0	0	2
Indy		1	0	2	7	3	46.3	66.2	3	2	11	0	0	2	0	0	1
HOUNDS	L	1	1	3	8	2	47.2	66.6	2	2	17	0	0	3	0	0	2
@New York		2	1	5	9	4	52.8	65.8	1	2	19	1	1	3	0	0	1
@HOUNDS	W	4	3	11	8	5	62.0	78.6	7	6	9	0	0	0	0	0	3
Philadelphia		0	0	0	9	3	38.0	67.9	3	0	17	0	0	3	0	0	1
@HOUNDS	W	4	1	9	20	8	49.4	63.5	5	1	20	1	1	2	0	0	1
New York		1	1	3	9	2	50.6	65.5	2	0	15	0	0	1	0	0	3
HOUNDS	L	0	0	0	7	4	55.8	81.0	5	1	17	1	0	2	0	0	1
@Indy		1	1	3	4	2	44.2	75.6	2	4	12	0	0	3	1	0	3
HOUNDS	W	2	2	6	6	3	52.9	81.6	2	2	10	0	0	2	0	0	3
@Loudoun		0	0	0	10	3	47.1	80.9	6	1	12	0	0	2	1	0	1
@HOUNDS	T	2	0	4	10	6	40.5	71.3	2	1	13	0	0	2	0	0	5
Saint Louis		2	0	4	17	7	59.5	78.4	3	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	5
HOUNDS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
@Hartford		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
@HOUNDS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loudoun		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
HOUNDS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
@New York		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
@HOUNDS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hartford		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
HOUNDS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
@Loudoun		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
@HOUNDS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hartford		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
@HOUNDS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Philadelphia		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

▶ TEAM STATISTICS

	G	A	SH*	SOG	CK	OFF	FC	YC	RC	PK	PKG	OG	GA	SV	POS%
TOTAL:	22	16	89	44	40	19	132	18	0	2	1	0	8	20	-
AVG:	2.44	1.78	9.89	4.89	4.44	2.11	14.67	2.00	0.00	0.22	0.11	0.00	0.89	2.22	51.0

*Includes blocked shots

▶ EASTERN CONFERENCE GROUP STANDINGS

Group E

Team	GP	RECORD	PTS	GF	GA	GD
Indy Eleven	9	6-2-1	19	15	7	+8
Saint Louis FC	9	4-3-2	14	12	10	+2
Louisville City FC	8	4-3-1	13	11	8	+3
Sporting Kansas City II	9	3-5-1	10	11	14	-3

Group F

Team	GP	RECORD	PTS	GF	GA	GD
Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC	9	5-3-1	16	22	8	+14
Hartford Athletic	7	5-1-1	16	16	11	+5
New York Red Bulls II	8	2-6-0	6	12	15	-3
Loudoun United FC	7	1-4-2	5	6	14	-8
Philadelphia Union II	6	1-4-1	4	6	20	-14

Group G

Team	GP	RECORD	PTS	GF	GA	GD
Birmingham Legion FC	9	5-1-3	18	16	7	+9
Charlotte Independence	7	2-2-3	9	11	13	-2
North Carolina FC	6	2-3-1	7	4	8	-4
Memphis 901 FC	8	1-4-3	6	11	17	-6

Group H

Team	GP	RECORD	PTS	GF	GA	GD
Tampa Bay Rowdies	9	6-0-3	21	16	6	+10
Charleston Battery	8	4-2-2	14	13	8	+5
Atlanta United 2	11	1-7-3	6	13	22	-9
The Miami FC	6	1-3-2	5	9	15	-6

Standings current as of 8/24

Top two teams in each group advance to postseason

July 12: @Louisville City FC (W, 3-1) Tomas Gomez Dani Rovira (Dakota Barnathan 63') Hunter Ashworth (Danny Griffin 67') Thomas Vancaeyezeele Skylar Thomas Jordan Dover Ryan James Kenardo Forbes Robbie Mertz Anthony Velarde (Lukas Fernandes 90'+5) Ropapa Mensah (Mark Forrest 67')	July 18: @Philadelphia Union II (W, 6-0) Tomas Gomez Ryan James Hunter Ashworth Thomas Vancaeyezeele Skylar Thomas Jordan Dover (Dani Rovira 72') Robbie Mertz (Steevan Dos Santos 81') Kenardo Forbes Danny Griffin (Dakota Barnathan 72') Anthony Velarde (Lukas Fernandes 63') Ropapa Mensah (Mark Forrest 64')	July 22: vs. Indy Eleven (L, 0-1) Tomas Gomez Dani Rovira Ryan James Thomas Vancaeyezeele Skylar Thomas Jordan Dover Kenardo Forbes Robbie Mertz Danny Griffin (Lukas Fernandes 68') Mark Forrest (Steevan Dos Santos 68') Ropapa Mensah (Anthony Velarde 88')	July 26: @New York Red Bulls II (L, 1-2) Danny Vitiello Ryan James Hunter Ashworth Thomas Vancaeyezeele Skylar Thomas Jordan Dover Dakota Barnathan (Steevan Dos Santos 45') Kenardo Forbes Robbie Mertz Lukas Fernandes (Danny Griffin 45') Ropapa Mensah (Mark Forrest 86')	Aug. 1: vs. Philadelphia Union II (W, 4-0) Tomas Gomez Dani Rovira Ryan James Thomas Vancaeyezeele Skylar Thomas Jordan Dover Kenardo Forbes (Dakota Barnathan 69') Robbie Mertz (Lukas Fernandes 78') Danny Griffin Ropapa Mensah (Anthony Velarde 54') Steevan Dos Santos (Mark Forrest 69')
Aug. 8: vs. New York Red Bulls II (W, 4-1) Tomas Gomez Ryan James Ray Lee (Hunter Ashworth 84') Thomas Vancaeyezeele Skylar Thomas Jordan Dover Kenardo Forbes (Dakota Barnathan 84') Danny Griffin (Anthony Velarde 78') Robbie Mertz (Lukas Fernandes 84') Steevan Dos Santos Ropapa Mensah (Dani Rovira 78')	Aug. 15: @Indy Eleven (L, 0-1) Tomas Gomez Ryan James Ray Lee (Anthony Velarde 71') Thomas Vancaeyezeele Skylar Thomas (Mark Lindstrom 73') Jordan Dover (Lukas Fernandes 88') Kenardo Forbes Danny Griffin Robbie Mertz Steevan Dos Santos Ropapa Mensah (Mark Forrest 87')	Aug. 19: @Loudoun United FC (W, 2-0) Danny Vitiello Ryan James Dakota Barnathan (Danny Griffin 65') Thomas Vancaeyezeele Mark Lindstrom (Skylar Thomas 66') Dani Rovira (Jordan Dover 44') Kenardo Forbes Robbie Mertz Anthony Velarde (Ropapa Mensah 86') Steevan Dos Santos Lukas Fernandes (Mark Forrest 86')	Aug. 22: vs. Saint Louis FC (T, 2-2) Tomas Gomez Ray Lee Mark Lindstrom (Ryan James 81') Thomas Vancaeyezeele Skylar Thomas Jordan Dover Kenardo Forbes Danny Griffin Robbie Mertz (Anthony Velarde 86') Steevan Dos Santos Ropapa Mensah (Lukas Fernandes (86')	Aug. 28: @Hartford Athletic
Sept. 1: vs. Loudoun United FC	Sept. 6: @New York Red Bulls II	Sept. 12: vs. Hartford Athletic	Sept. 19: @Loudoun United FC	Sept. 26: vs. Hartford Athletic

Oct. 3: vs. Philadelphia Union II

▶ GOAL LOG

RIVERHOUNDS SC

7/12: @LOU - Jordan Dover 45' (Kenardo Forbes)
7/12: @LOU - Robbie Mertz 46' (Ropapa Mensah)
7/12: @LOU - Anthony Velarde 51' (Ropapa Mensah)
7/18: @PHI - Ropapa Mensah 29' (Danny Griffin)
7/18: @PHI - Danny Griffin 37' (Robbie Mertz)
7/18: @PHI - Anthony Velarde 59' (Kenardo Forbes)
7/18: @PHI - Lukas Fernandes 67' (Danny Griffin)
7/18: @PHI - Steevan Dos Santos 81' (Kenardo Forbes)
7/18: @PHI - Steevan Dos Santos 87' (Kenardo Forbes)
7/26: @NY - Skylar Thomas 9' (Kenardo Forbes)
8/1: PHI - Steevan Dos Santos 22' (Kenardo Forbes)
8/1: PHI - Thomas Vancaeyezeele 36' (Kenardo Forbes)
8/1: PHI - Steevan Dos Santos 42'
8/1: PHI - Ryan James 65' (Anthony Velarde)
8/8: NY - Robbie Mertz (P) 3'
8/8: NY - Robbie Mertz 61'
8/8: NY - Ropapa Mensah 65' (Ray Lee)
8/8: NY - Anthony Velarde 80'
8/19: @LDN - Steevan Dos Santos 7' (Dani Rovira)
8/19: @LDN - Lukas Fernandes 11' (Robbie Mertz)
8/22: STL - Ropapa Mensah 16'
8/22: STL - Robbie Mertz 40'

OPPOSITION

7/12: @LOU - Speedy Williams 18' (Corben Bone)
7/22: IND - Tyler Pasher 90'+7
7/26: @NY - Omar Sowe 34' (Caden Clark)
7/26: @NY - Deri Corfe (P) 90'+5
8/8: NY - Dantouma Toure 90'+3 (Cherif Dieye)
8/15: @IND - Tyler Pasher 13' (Andrew Carleton)
8/22: STL - Kyle Greig 45'+1
8/22: STL - Wal Fall 57'

► HEAD COACH BOB LILLEY



Experience:
Enters 20th season
(third with PIT)

Date Hired:
November 14, 2017

Hometown:
Fort Monmouth, New Jersey

Alma Mater:
George Mason University
(1987)

Accolades:
2015 USL Cup Champion
2006 USL-1 Champion
USL Hall of Fame
Five-time Coach of the Year

Announced as the club's 10th head coach in its history on Nov. 14, 2017, Bob Lilley will enter his third season at the helm for Riverhounds SC.

In 2019, Lilley led the club to a 19-4-11 regular season record, which totals the most single-season wins in team history, and the USL Championship Eastern Conference regular season championship. The club also made the postseason in 2018, when it hosted the first-ever playoff match at Highmark Stadium. Lilley has posted a 34-9-25 regular season record with the Hounds, including shutting out opponents in 34 of these 68 matches.

Lilley came to Pittsburgh after coaching the USL Championship-side Rochester Rhinos, which he led during two separate stints (2014-17 and 2010-11). In his six seasons with the Rhinos, Lilley compiled an 82-39-51 regular season record, which includes a 2015 mark of 17-1-10 en route to winning Coach of the Year honors and the USL Cup. He also was named Coach of the Year in 2010, when Rochester won the USSF Division 2 Professional League regular season title. The Rhinos made the playoffs in every season under Lilley and achieved at least a fourth-round finish in the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup from 2014-17.

Before joining the Rhinos ahead of their 2010 season, Lilley spent the 2007-08 campaign as head coach of the Detroit Ignition of the Major Indoor Soccer League (MISL). He earned Coach of the Year honors, as the Ignition logged a 22-8 record and won the league's regular season championship.

For three seasons (2005-07), Lilley served as head coach for the Vancouver Whitecaps of the USL First Division. While with the club, he guided the Whitecaps to a 33-20-31 overall regular season record and a league championship in 2006.

From 2002-03, Lilley was the head coach for the Montreal Impact of the USL A-League. He directed the club to the playoffs both years and amassed a regular season record of 32-15-9, in addition to winning Coach of the Year honors in 2003.

The Fort Monmouth, New Jersey native began his head-coaching career with the Hershey Wildcats, which he led from 1997-01. In his five seasons with the USL A-League club, he compiled an 86-46-6 overall regular season record and was named Coach of the Year in 1997, his first-ever campaign as a head coach. Hershey made the playoffs each season with Lilley at the helm, including a trip to the A-League final in 2001.

Across his 19 seasons of head-coaching experience at every level, Lilley holds an all-time record of 289-137-122, has logged at least a .500 winning percentage during each regular season and has led his team into the postseason every year. He also has won two league titles and earned Coach of the Year honors five times. In 2010, he was inducted into the USL Hall of Fame as a coach.

Lilley played professionally with the Orlando Lions of the American Soccer League from 1989-90 (two seasons) and the Maryland Bays of the American Professional Soccer League in 1991 (one season). He also played professional indoor soccer with the Hershey Impact of the National Professional Soccer League (NPSL) from 1988-91 (three seasons), the Harrisburg Heat of the NPSL from 1991-97 (six seasons) and the Pittsburgh Stingers of the Continental Indoor Soccer League in 1994 (one season).

From 1984-87, Lilley played collegiately at George Mason University, where he was a four-year starter and team captain. He was inducted into the George Mason Men's Soccer Hall of Fame in 2011.



► ASSISTANT COACH DAN VISSER

- Fourth-full season with club
- Joined the staff in July 2016
- West Chester, Pennsylvania native

Dan Visser enters his fourth-full season as an assistant coach with Riverhounds SC after originally joining the club in July 2016.

Prior to arriving in Pittsburgh, Visser served as an assistant coach at the United States Naval Academy during its 2015 campaign. The Midshipmen finished this season with an 8-9-1 overall record.

From 2013-14, Visser was head coach at Eastern Nazarene College in Quincy, Massachusetts. The Lions held a 3-14-0 record during his first year and improved to 5-12-1 during his second season at the helm.

Visser began his coaching career at the NCAA Division III level, serving as an assistant coach and recruiting coordinator at Eastern University in St. Davids, Pennsylvania. During his two years at Eastern, the Eagles compiled a 21-11-2 record and had 11 student-athletes earn All-Conference honors.

The West Chester, Pennsylvania native played collegiately as a midfielder at Messiah College for four seasons before graduating in 2008. During this period, the team won three national championships and accumulated an 89-6-2 record. The two-time team captain also received Regional All-America honors in 2007.



► GOALKEEPING COACH MICHAEL BEHONICK

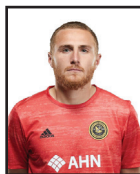
- First season with club
- Joined the staff in August 2020
- Bohemia, New York native

Goalkeeping coach Michael Behonick enters his first season with Riverhounds SC in 2020. Also still serving as an assistant coach for the University of Pittsburgh men's soccer program, Behonick brings a wealth of experience to the club.

This year will mark Behonick's fifth season with the Panthers. In 2019, he helped lead the team to a 10-8-2 record en route to receiving an at-large bid to the NCAA Men's Soccer Tournament Championship for the first time since 1965.

Prior to arriving with the Panthers, Behonick coached at Penn State University for two seasons (2014-2016) and the University of Virginia for five seasons (2010-2016).

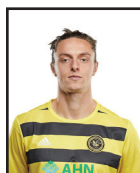
A product of American University, the Bohemia, New York native was drafted by D.C. United in the 2003 MLS SuperDraft. He played seven seasons professionally as a goalkeeper across MLS, USL A-League, USL Pro Soccer League, USL Second Division and NASL.


1
DANNY VITIELLO

	GP/GS	W/L/T	S	GA	GAA	SV%
2020	2/2	1-1-0	5	2	1.00	.714

GK • 6-2 • 185 • Massapequa, NY

- Team of the Week after CS at LDN (8/19)
- First career clean sheet at LDN (8/19)
- Made pro debut at NY (7/26)

GAME HIGHS
 Saves: 3 at LDN (8/19)
 GA: 2 at NY (7/26)
 Clean Sheets: 1

2
MARK LINDSTROM

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	3/2	164	0	0	0	0	0

D • 6-3 • 200 • Gavle, Sweden

- Made pro debut at IND (8/15)
- Competed at UNCW from 2016-19
- 4x All-Colonial Athletic Association

GAME HIGHS
 Minutes: 81 vs. STL (8/22)
 Goals: 0
 Assists: 0
 Points: 0
 Shots: 0
 SOG: 0

3
ROPAPA MENSAH

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	9/8	614	3	2	8	14	6

F • 6-0 • 170 • Accra, Ghana

- Two assists in club debut at LOU on 7/12
- Club second-best 6 G with NSH in 2019
- U-23 Ghana NT for 2019 Africa Cup of Nations

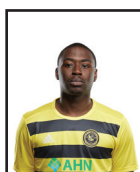
GAME HIGHS
 Minutes: 88 vs. IND (7/22)
 Goals: 1 (three times)
 Assists: 2 at LOU (7/12)
 Points: 2 (four times)
 Shots: 4 vs. NY (8/8)
 SOG: 2 (two times)

4
DANI ROVIRA

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	6/4	317	0	1	1	0	0

M • 5-9 • 145 • Bogota, Colombia

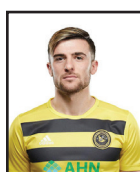
- First career assist at LDN (8/19)
- 8 GP with PIT as rookie in 2019
- 33 GP (23 starts) with Vermont (2017-18)

GAME HIGHS
 Minutes: 90 (two times)
 Goals: 0
 Assists: 1 at LDN (8/19)
 Points: 1 at LDN (8/19)
 Shots: 0
 SOG: 0

5
JORDAN DOVER

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	9/8	746	1	0	2	5	3

D • 5-8 • 150 • Ajax, ON

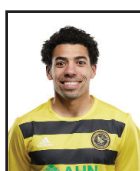
- Team of the Week after goal at LOU (7/12)
- 64 career games played (62 starts) with PIT
- Competed for Guyana NT during 2019 Gold Cup

GAME HIGHS
 Minutes: 90 (six times)
 Goals: 1 at LOU (7/12)
 Assists: 0
 Points: 2 at LOU (7/12)
 Shots: 2 vs. NY (8/8)
 SOG: 1 (three times)

6
XHELIL ASANI

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

D • 6-1 • 165 • Kičevo, North Macedonia

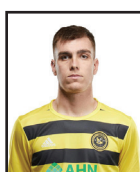
- Spent 2019 with SKA Khabarovsk in Russia
- Eight pro seasons spent in Europe
- Has played in six different European countries

GAME HIGHS
 Minutes: -
 Goals: -
 Assists: -
 Points: -
 Shots: -
 SOG: -

7
RYAN JAMES

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	9/8	729	1	0	2	2	1

D • 5-8 • 155 • Mississauga, ON

- Career-high 5 A with PIT in 2019
- Started 31 of 34 GP with PIT in 2019
- No. 52 pick in 2016 MLS SuperDraft (Kansas City)

GAME HIGHS
 Minutes: 90 (eight times)
 Goals: 1 vs. PHI (8/1)
 Assists: 0
 Points: 2 vs. PHI (8/1)
 Shots: 1 (two times)
 SOG: 1 vs. PHI (8/1)

8
DAKOTA BARNATHAN

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	6/2	182	0	0	0	0	0

M • 6-2 • 165 • Massapequa, NY

- Career-high 24 GP with OTT in 2019
- Recorded first pro points with OTT in 2019 (2 A)
- Played role in SKC II advancing to 2017 final

GAME HIGHS
 Minutes: 65 at LDN (8/19)
 Goals: 0
 Assists: 0
 Points: 0
 Shots: 0
 SOG: 0

9
ALBERT DIKWA

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

F • 5-11 • 161 • Garoua, Cameroon

- Arrives with PIT after suiting up for STL in 2019
- 66 GP and 7 G in USL Championship
- 6 GP for U-20 Cameroon National Team

GAME HIGHS
 Minutes: -
 Goals: -
 Assists: -
 Points: -
 Shots: -
 SOG: -

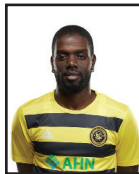
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STEEVAN DOS SANTOS

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	8/5	505	5	0	10	13	10

F • 6-4 • 208 • Mindelo, Cape Verde

- Led PIT with 71 shots in 2019
- 107 career USL Championship points
- 144 career GP in USL Championship

GAME HIGHS
 Minutes: 90 (four times)
 Goals: 2 (two times)
 Assists: 0
 Points: 4 (two times)
 Shots: 3 (two times)
 SOG: 3 vs. PHI (8/1)

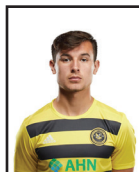

11
KENARDO FORBES

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	9/9	783	0	7	7	6	3

M • 5-10 • 165 • Kingston, Jamaica

- 2019 MVP Finalist
- 3x All-League (2016, 2018, 2019)
- First in league history with 38 career assists

GAME HIGHS
Minutes: 90 (seven times)
Goals: 0
Assists: 3 at PHI (7/18)
Points: 3 at PHI (7/18)
Shots: 2 (two times)
SOG: 1 (three times)

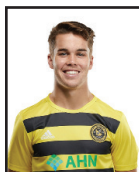

12
DANNY GRIFFIN

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	9/6	581	1	2	4	4	2

M • 5-9 • 165 • Wethersfield, CT

- Team of the Week after 4-pt showing @PHI (7/18)
- No. 49 pick in 2020 MLS SuperDraft (Columbus)
- Started all 80 GP at Providence (2016-19)

GAME HIGHS
Minutes: 90 (three times)
Goals: 1 at PHI (7/18)
Assists: 2 at PHI (7/18)
Points: 4 at PHI (7/18)
Shots: 2 at PHI (7/18)
SOG: 1 (two times)

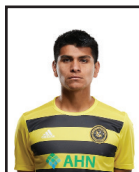

14
ROBBIE MERTZ

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	9/9	779	4	2	10	7	6

M • 5-7 • 150 • Pittsburgh, PA

- 2x Team of the Week in 2020
- Led PIT midfield with 6 G in 2019
- No. 76 pick in 2019 MLS SuperDraft (Colorado)

GAME HIGHS
Minutes: 90 (five times)
Goals: 2 vs. NY (8/8)
Assists: 1 (two times)
Points: 4 vs. NY (8/8)
Shots: 3 vs. NY (8/8)
SOG: 2 vs. NY (8/8)

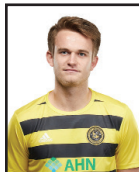

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ANTHONY VELARDE

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	8/3	311	3	1	7	3	3

M • 5-7 • 160 • Reedley, CA

- 25 GP as rookie with PIT in 2019
- 3 G and 4 A in 2019
- First-Team All-America at Fresno Pacific (2018)

GAME HIGHS
Minutes: 89 at LOU (7/12)
Goals: 1 (three times)
Assists: 1 vs. PHI (8/1)
Points: 2 (three times)
Shots: 1 (three times)
SOG: 1 (three times)


16
MARK FORREST

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	7/1	149	0	0	0	1	1

F • 6-3 • 195 • Douglassville, PA

- No. 1 seed-clinching GW goal in 2019 finale
- No. 77 pick in 2019 MLS SuperDraft (Chicago)
- 2x Patriot League OPOY at Lehigh (2017, 2018)

GAME HIGHS
Minutes: 68 vs. IND (7/22)
Goals: 0
Assists: 0
Points: 0
Shots: 1 at PHI (7/18)
SOG: 1 at PHI (7/18)


17
THOMAS VANCAEYEZEELE

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	9/9	810	1	0	2	4	2

D • 5-11 • 180 • Caen, France

- 1x All-League (2019)
- Single-season club record 2,909 MIN in 2018
- French Guiana NT in 2019 Nations League

GAME HIGHS
Minutes: 90 (nine times)
Goals: 1 vs. PHI (8/1)
Assists: 0
Points: 2 vs. PHI (8/1)
Shots: 1 (four times)
SOG: 1 (two times)

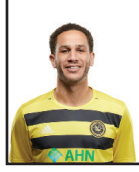

18
TOMAS GOMEZ

	GP/GS	W/L/T	S	GA	GAA	SV%
2020	7/7	4-2-1	15	6	0.86	.714

GK • 6-1 • 196 • Webster Groves, MO

- 2x Golden Gloves (2016, 2017)
- 32 CS in 84 GP in USL Championship
- No. 60 pick in 2015 MLS SuperDraft (Columbus)

GAME HIGHS
Saves: 5 vs. STL (8/22)
GA: 2 vs. STL (8/22)
Clean Sheets: 2

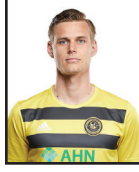

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TONY WALLS

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

D • 5-11 • 185 • Wauwatosa, WI

- Spent '19 with Chattanooga of USL League One
- Captained Lilley's 2015 title-winning ROC team
- Helped STL to its first-ever playoff match in 2018

GAME HIGHS
Minutes: -
Goals: -
Assists: -
Points: -
Shots: -
SOG: -


21
PATRICK BUNK-ANDERSEN

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

D • 6-2 • 172 • Hvidovre, Denmark

- Arrives with PIT after playing in USL League One
- Led Toronto FC II with 2,475 MIN in 2019
- No. 54 pick in 2019 MLS SuperDraft (Toronto)

GAME HIGHS
Minutes: -
Goals: -
Assists: -
Points: -
Shots: -
SOG: -


22
HUNTER ASHWORTH

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	4/3	253	0	0	0	0	0

D • 6-5 • 180 • Laguna Beach, CA

- Made pro debut at LOU on 7/12
- 4 GP for U-20 New Zealand NT
- 3 GP for U-17 New Zealand NT

GAME HIGHS
Minutes: 90 (two times)
Goals: 0
Assists: 0
Points: 0
Shots: 0
SOG: 0





23

RAY LEE

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	3/3	245	0	1	1	0	0

D • 5-11 • 176 • Kansas City, MO

- Started all 30 of his GP with HFD in 2019
- 28 GP and 3 A with PIT in 2018
- No. 71 pick in 2015 MLS SuperDraft (Philadelphia)

GAME HIGHS
Minutes: 90 vs. STL (8/22)
Goals: 0
Assists: 1 vs. NY (8/8)
Points: 1 vs. NY (8/8)
Shots: 0
SOG: 0



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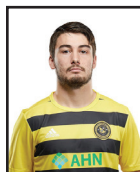
ANTHONY MWEMBIA

	GP/GS	W/L/T	S	GA	GAA	SV%
2020	-	-	-	-	-	-

GK • 6-2 • 191 • Toulouse, France

- Bowling Green product enters rookie season
- Captained BGSU to 2019 MAC Tourney Final
- 2x All-MAC First Team (2016, 2019)

GAME HIGHS
Saves: -
GA: -
Clean Sheets: -



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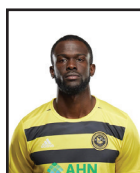
LUKAS FERNANDES

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	9/2	205	2	0	4	4	4

F • 5-10 • 165 • Rochester, NY

- Made pro debut at LOU on 7/12
- Temple University product enters rookie season
- 2x All-American Athletic Conference (2018, 2019)

GAME HIGHS
Minutes: 86 at LDN (8/19)
Goals: 1 (two times)
Assists: 0
Points: 2 (two times)
Shots: 2 at PHI (7/18)
SOG: 2 at PHI (7/18)



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SKYLAR THOMAS

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	9/8	727	1	0	2	9	3

D • 6-4 • 198 • Scarborough, ON

- 104 career GP in USL Championship
- No. 11 pick in 2015 MLS SuperDraft (Toronto)
- 5 GP and 1 G with U-23 Canada National Team

GAME HIGHS
Minutes: 90 (seven times)
Goals: 1 at NY (7/26)
Assists: 0
Points: 2 at NY (7/26)
Shots: 4 vs. IND (7/22)
SOG: 1 (three times)