

## PITTSBURGH RIVERHOUNDS SC (8-3-1) VS. HARTFORD ATHLETIC (6-2-1)

Saturday, Sept. 12, 2020 >> 7 p.m. ET >> Highmark Stadium >> Pittsburgh, PA

### TALE OF THE TAPE



**PITTSBURGH**

**HARTFORD**

8-3-1	Record	6-2-1
1st	Group Standing	2nd
4-0-1	Last Five	3-1-1
W3	Streak	W1
Bob Lilley	Head Coach	Radhi Jaidi
@RiverhoundsSC	Twitter Handles	@hfdathletic

All-Time Head-to-Head	3-0-0
Referee	TBD
Assistants	TBD
Fourth Official	TBD
Unavailable for Selection	
	Xheli Asani
	Dakota Barnathan
	Kenardo Forbes

### STAT COMPARISON

Hounds	Category	Hartford
2.58	Scoring Average	2.00
0.67	Opponent Scoring Average	1.67
31	Goals Scored	18
8	Goals Allowed	15
+23	Goal Differential	+3
19	Assists	14
9.92	Shots/Game	12.44
5.00	SOG/Game	5.33
22	Yellow Cards	24
0	Red Cards	0

### TEAM LEADERS

Hounds	Category	Hartford
Two tied, 5	Goals	Ever Guzmán, 4
Kenardo Forbes, 7	Assists	Danny Barrera, 6
Robbie Mertz, 12	Points	Two tied, 8
Ropapa Mensah, 19	Shots	Hugh Alexander Dixon, 15
Thomas Vancaeyezeele, 1,080	Minutes	Two tied, 810
Skylar Thomas, 3	Yellow Cards	Matheus Silva, 6
-	Red Cards	-
Danny Vitiello, 0.50	GAA*	Parfait Mandanda, 1.67
Danny Vitiello, .833	SV%*	Parfait Mandanda, .531

\* minimum three games played

### GAME 13 - QUICK HITTERS

- Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (8-3-1 overall, 3-1-0 home) will host Hartford Athletic (6-2-1 overall, 1-1-0 away) for their second of three meetings this regular season. The Hounds are 1-0-0 against Hartford this year.
- In their first meeting, Pittsburgh won, 3-0, on Aug. 28 at Dillon Stadium. Ryan James (11' and 50') and Danny Griffin (22') notched goals for the Black and Gold.
- Pittsburgh is the only team to have shut out Hartford this season.
- This year, the Hounds are on a club-record pace with 2.58 goals scored per game. The club's benchmark for a single season is 2.40 goals scored per game in 2004.
- In addition, Pittsburgh is on a club-record pace with 0.67 goals allowed per game this season. The club's benchmark for a single season is 0.76 goals allowed per game in 2018.
- The Hounds are 7-1-0 and are averaging 3.25 goals scored per game in group matches.
- Pittsburgh has a 3-0-0 all-time record against Hartford, including a 1-0-0 mark in home matches.
- As of Thursday (9/10), the Hounds are tied with Phoenix Rising FC for the most goals (31) in the USL Championship. The club has also scored at least two goals in seven of its last eight games.
- Also as of Thursday, Riverhounds SC is tied with the Tampa Bay Rowdies and San Antonio FC for the most clean sheets (six) in the USL Championship.
- Pittsburgh leads the entire USL Championship with a 32 percent conversion rate.
- Defender Thomas Vancaeyezeele has played every minute this season for the Hounds.
- In 88 all-competition matches under head coach Bob Lilley, the Hounds have allowed just 0.83 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: 8-3-1

Home: 3-1-1 • Away: 5-2-0 • Group Play: 7-1-0

#### 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+	W, 3-0

#### SEPTEMBER

Tue.	1	Loudoun United FC	ESPN+	W, 3-0
Sat.	5	@New York Red Bulls II	WPNT	W, 3-0
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 (six times)
6 (at Philadelphia 7/18)	0 (two times)	Goals	2 (two times)	0 (six times)
6 (at Philadelphia 7/18)	0 (four times)	Assists	1 (four times)	0 (eight 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 (two times)
5 (vs. Saint Louis 8/22)	1 (four times)	Saves	5 (three times)	1 (six times)
22 (vs. Indy 7/22)	7 (two times)	Fouls	19 (two times)	6 (three 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	55-36-35

#### Last Game Summary

##### Riverhounds SC 3, New York Red Bulls II 0

Game 12 • Red Bull Arena • Sept. 5, 2020

Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (8-3-1) defeated New York Red Bulls II (3-7-0), 3-0, tonight at Red Bull Arena. Ropapa Mensah opened up the scoring in the 45th minute, after he chipped the ball over New York goalkeeper Wallis Lapsley. The Hounds benefited from an own goal in the 51st minute, and Robbie Mertz scored Pittsburgh's third goal in the 58th 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.....	3-1-1
On road .....	5-2-0
In games decided by one goal.....	0-3
In games decided by two goals or more.....	8-0
vs. clubs with winning records.....	2-2-1
vs. clubs with losing records.....	5-1-0
vs. clubs with .500 records .....	1-0-0
Scoring first.....	7-1-1
Leading at half.....	7-0-1
Trailing at half.....	0-1-0
Tied at half.....	1-2-0
Leading with 10:00 remaining.....	8-0-0
Trailing with 10:00 remaining .....	0-1-0
Tied with 10:00 remaining.....	0-2-1
Leading with 5:00 remaining .....	8-0-0
Trailing with 5:00 remaining .....	0-1-0
Tied with 5:00 remaining.....	0-2-1
Outshooting opponent .....	4-2-0
Being outshot by opponent .....	4-1-1
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 .....	4-0-0
Scoring four or more goals.....	3-0-0
Allowing no goals.....	6-0-0
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.....	3-1-0
On weekends .....	5-2-1
In July .....	2-2-0
In August .....	4-1-1
In September.....	2-0-0
In October.....	0-0-0

Miscellaneous

Current Streak.....	W3
Home Streak.....	W1
Road Streak .....	W3
Consecutive games with a goal.....	5
Consecutive games allowing one goal or less .....	3

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	25	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	25	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)
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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	6	302	0	0	0	0	0	7	5	12	0	0	2	0
3	Ropapa Mensah	12	801	4	2	10	19	9	25	4	6	0	0	1	0
4	Dani Rovira	7	320	0	1	1	0	0	4	8	4	0	0	0	0
5	Jordan Dover	12	1,016	1	1	3	6	3	19	21	13	0	0	2	0
6	Xhelil Asani	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	Ryan James	12	999	3	0	6	5	4	10	25	12	0	0	0	0
8	Dakota Barnathan	8	196	0	0	0	0	0	3	4	3	0	0	2	0
9	Albert Dikwa	2	73	1	0	2	5	3	2	0	0	0	0	1	0
10	Steevan Dos Santos	11	674	5	0	10	15	11	13	7	5	0	0	2	0
11	Kenardo Forbes	10	793	0	7	7	6	3	5	21	10	0	0	0	0
12	Danny Griffin	12	848	2	2	6	5	3	12	11	1	0	0	1	0
14	Robbie Mertz	12	1,045	5	2	12	8	7	13	23	3	2	1	2	0
15	Anthony Velarde	11	481	4	2	10	4	4	15	4	0	1	1	2	0
16	Mark Forrest	9	247	1	0	2	2	2	3	7	1	1	1	0	0
17	Thomas Vancaeyezeele	12	1,080	1	0	2	5	3	11	22	33	0	0	2	0
20	Tony Walls	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
21	Patrick Bunk-Andersen	3	62	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
22	Hunter Ashworth	4	253	0	0	0	0	0	5	6	8	0	0	1	0
23	Ray Lee	5	412	0	2	2	0	0	1	8	9	0	0	0	0
33	Lukas Fernandes	11	273	2	0	4	6	5	2	4	2	0	0	0	0
34	Skylar Thomas	12	925	1	0	2	10	3	19	21	47	0	0	3	0

GOALKEEPERS

No.	Name	GP	MIN	GA	SV	CS	SV%	GAA
1	Danny Vitiello	4	360	2	10	3	.833	0.50
18	Tomas Gomez	8	720	6	18	3	.750	0.75
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)  
Ryan James (Week 10)  
Robbie Mertz (Week 3, Week 7, Week 11)  
Danny Vitiello (Week 9)

USL CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYER OF THE WEEK (by last name)

Ryan James (Week 10)

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	G	A	SH*	SOG	CK	OFF	FC	YC	RC	PK	PKG	OG	GA	SV	POS%
TOTAL:	31	19	119	60	51	26	170	22	0	4	3	0	8	28	-
AVG:	2.58	1.58	9.92	5.00	4.25	2.17	14.17	1.83	0.00	0.33	0.25	0.00	0.67	2.33	50.5

\*Includes blocked shots

Team	GP	RECORD	PTS	GF	GA	GD
Birmingham Legion FC	12	6-2-4	22	22	11	+11
Charlotte Independence	11	5-3-3	18	18	18	0
North Carolina FC	9	3-5-1	10	7	13	-6
Memphis 901 FC	10	1-5-4	7	12	20	-8

Standings current as of 9/10

Team	GP	RECORD	PTS	GF	GA	GD
Tampa Bay Rowdies	12	8-1-3	27	21	7	+14
Charleston Battery	11	6-2-3	21	18	10	+8
Atlanta United 2	12	2-7-3	9	15	23	-8
The Miami FC	9	1-5-3	6	11	22	-11

Top two teams in each group advance to postseason

<b>July 12: @Louisville City FC (W, 3-1)</b> 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')	<b>July 18: @Philadelphia Union II (W, 6-0)</b> 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')	<b>July 22: vs. Indy Eleven (L, 0-1)</b> 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')	<b>July 26: @New York Red Bulls II (L, 1-2)</b> Danny Vitiello Ryan James Hunter Ashworth Thomas Vancaeyezeele Skylar Thomas Jordan Dover Dakota Barnathan (S. Dos Santos 45') Kenardo Forbes Robbie Mertz Lukas Fernandes (Danny Griffin 45') Ropapa Mensah (Mark Forrest 86')	<b>Aug. 1: vs. Philadelphia Union II (W, 4-0)</b> 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')
<b>Aug. 8: vs. New York Red Bulls II (W, 4-1)</b> 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')	<b>Aug. 15: @Indy Eleven (L, 0-1)</b> 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')	<b>Aug. 19: @Loudoun United FC (W, 2-0)</b> 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')	<b>Aug. 22: vs. Saint Louis FC (T, 2-2)</b> 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')	<b>Aug. 28: @Hartford Athletic (W, 3-0)</b> Tomas Gomez Ryan James Ray Lee (Mark Lindstrom 77') Thomas Vancaeyezeele Skylar Thomas (P. Bunk-Andersen 82') Jordan Dover Danny Griffin Kenardo Forbes (Ropapa Mensah 10') Anthony Velarde (Mark Forrest 82') Robbie Mertz Steevan Dos Santos (D. Barnathan 77')
<b>Sept. 1: vs. Loudoun United FC (W, 3-0)</b> Danny Vitiello Ryan James Thomas Vancaeyezeele Mark Lindstrom (Skylar Thomas 64') Jordan Dover Danny Griffin Robbie Mertz (Dakota Barnathan 89') Anthony Velarde (Steevan Dos Santos 64') Lukas Fernandes (P. Bunk-Andersen 65') Ropapa Mensah (Albert Dikwa 45') Mark Forrest	<b>Sept. 5: @New York Red Bulls II (W, 3-0)</b> Danny Vitiello Ray Lee Mark Lindstrom (P. Bunk-Andersen 61') Thomas Vancaeyezeele Skylar Thomas Jordan Dover Ryan James Danny Griffin (Lukas Fernandes 87') Robbie Mertz (Dani Rovira 87') Ropapa Mensah (Albert Dikwa 62') Steevan Dos Santos (A. Velarde 66')	<b>Sept. 12: vs. Hartford Athletic</b>	<b>Sept. 19: @Loudoun United FC</b>	<b>Sept. 26: vs. Hartford Athletic</b>
<b>Oct. 3: vs. Philadelphia Union II</b>				

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 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'  
 8/28: @HFD - Ryan James 11' (Anthony Velarde)  
 8/28: @HFD - Danny Griffin 22'  
 8/28: @HFD - Ryan James 50' (Jordan Dover)  
 9/1: LDN - Mark Forrest (P) 5'  
 9/1: LDN - Anthony Velarde (P) 8'  
 9/1: LDN - Albert Dikwa 88'  
 9/5: @NY: Ropapa Mensah 45'  
 9/5: @NY: Preston Kilvien (OG) 51'  
 9/5: @NY: Robbie Mertz 58'

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

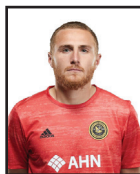
Goalkeeping coach Michael Behonick enters his first season with Riverhounds SC in 2020. Also still serving as an assistant coach for the University of Pittsburgh men's soccer program, Behonick brings a wealth of experience to the club.

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.





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## DANNY VITIELLO

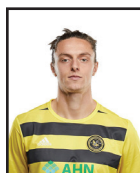
	GP/GS	W/L/T	S	GA	GAA	SV%
2020	4/4	3-1-0	10	2	0.50	.833

## 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)

Saves: 4 vs. LDN (9/1)  
GA: 2 at NY (7/26)  
Clean Sheets: 3

GAME HIGHS



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## MARK LINDSTROM

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	6/4	302	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

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

GAME HIGHS



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## ROPAPA MENSAH

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	12/10	801	4	2	10	19	9

## 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

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

GAME HIGHS



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## DANI ROVIRA

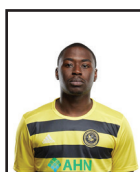
	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	7/4	320	0	1	1	0	0

## 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)

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

GAME HIGHS



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## JORDAN DOVER

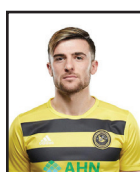
	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	12/11	1,016	1	1	3	6	3

## D • 5-8 • 150 • Ajax, ON

- Team of the Week after goal at LOU (7/12)
- 67 career games played (65 starts) with PIT
- Competed for Guyana NT during 2019 Gold Cup

Minutes: 90 (nine times)  
Goals: 1 at LOU (7/12)  
Assists: 1 at HFD (8/28)  
Points: 2 at LOU (7/12)  
Shots: 2 vs. NY (8/8)  
SOG: 1 (three times)

GAME HIGHS



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## XHELIL ASANI

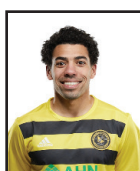
	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

## 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

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

GAME HIGHS



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## RYAN JAMES

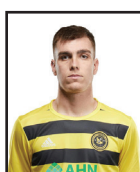
	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	12/11	999	3	0	6	5	4

## D • 5-8 • 155 • Mississauga, ON

- Player of the Week for Week 10
- First career brace at HFD (8/28)
- Career-high 5 A with PIT in 2019

Minutes: 90 (11 times)  
Goals: 2 at HFD (8/28)  
Assists: 0  
Points: 4 at HFD (8/28)  
Shots: 2 at HFD (8/28)  
SOG: 2 at HFD (8/28)

GAME HIGHS



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## DAKOTA BARNATHAN

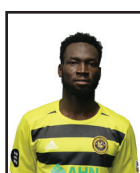
	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	8/2	196	0	0	0	0	0

## 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

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

GAME HIGHS



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## ALBERT DIKWA

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	2/0	73	1	0	2	5	3

## F • 5-11 • 161 • Garoua, Cameroon

- Scored a goal in club debut vs. LDN (9/1)
- Arrives with PIT after suiting up for STL in 2019
- 6 GP for U-20 Cameroon National Team

Minutes: 45 vs. LDN (9/1)  
Goals: 1 vs. LDN (9/1)  
Assists: 0  
Points: 2 vs. LDN (9/1)  
Shots: 4 vs. LDN (9/1)  
SOG: 3 vs. LDN (9/1)

GAME HIGHS



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## STEEVAN DOS SANTOS

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	11/7	674	5	0	10	15	11

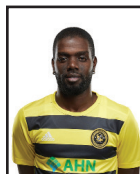
## F • 6-4 • 208 • Mindelo, Cape Verde

- Leads PIT with five goals
- 107 career USL Championship points
- 147 career GP in USL Championship

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

GAME HIGHS

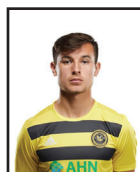



**11**
**KENARDO FORBES**

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	10/10	793	0	7	7	6	3

**M • 5-10 • 165 • Kingston, Jamaica**

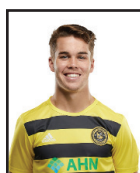
- 2019 MVP Finalist
- 3x All-League (2016, 2018, 2019)
- First in league history with 38 career assists

**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	12/9	848	2	2	6	5	3

**M • 5-9 • 165 • Wethersfield, CT**

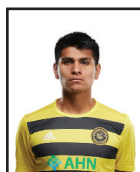
- Team of the Week after 4-pt showing @PHI (7/18)
- No. 49 pick in 2020 MLS SuperDraft (Columbus)
- Started all 80 GP at Providence (2016-19)

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

**14**
**ROBBIE MERTZ**

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	12/12	1,045	5	2	12	8	7

**M • 5-7 • 150 • Pittsburgh, PA**

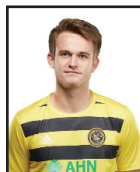
- 3x Team of the Week in 2020
- Led PIT midfield with 6 G in 2019
- No. 76 pick in 2019 MLS SuperDraft (Colorado)

**GAME HIGHS**  
 Minutes: 90 (six 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)

**15**
**ANTHONY VELARDE**

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	11/5	481	4	2	10	4	4

**M • 5-7 • 160 • Reedley, CA**

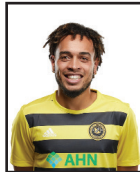
- All four shots have resulted in goals
- 25 GP as rookie with PIT in 2019
- 3 G and 4 A in 2019

**GAME HIGHS**  
 Minutes: 89 at LOU (7/12)  
 Goals: 1 (four times)  
 Assists: 1 (two times)  
 Points: 2 (four times)  
 Shots: 1 (four times)  
 SOG: 1 (four times)

**16**
**MARK FORREST**

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	9/2	247	1	0	2	2	2

**F • 6-3 • 195 • Douglassville, PA**

- PKG vs. LDN (9/1)
- No. 1 seed-clinching GW goal in 2019 finale
- No. 77 pick in 2019 MLS SuperDraft (Chicago)

**GAME HIGHS**  
 Minutes: 90 vs. LDN (9/1)  
 Goals: 1 vs. LDN (9/1)  
 Assists: 0  
 Points: 2 vs. LDN (9/1)  
 Shots: 1 (two times)  
 SOG: 1 (two times)

**17**
**THOMAS VANCAEYEZEELE**

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	12/12	1,080	1	0	2	5	3

**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

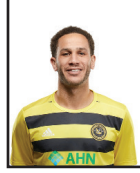
**GAME HIGHS**  
 Minutes: 90 (12 times)  
 Goals: 1 vs. PHI (8/1)  
 Assists: 0  
 Points: 2 vs. PHI (8/1)  
 Shots: 1 (five times)  
 SOG: 1 (three times)

**18**
**TOMAS GOMEZ**

	GP/GS	W/L/T	S	GA	GAA	SV%
2020	8/8	5-2-1	18	6	0.75	.750

**GK • 6-1 • 196 • Webster Groves, MO**

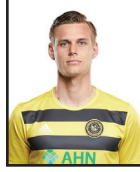
- 2x Golden Gloves (2016, 2017)
- 33 CS in 85 GP in USL Championship
- No. 60 pick in 2015 MLS SuperDraft (Columbus)

**GAME HIGHS**  
 Saves: 5 vs. STL (8/22)  
 GA: 2 vs. STL (8/22)  
 Clean Sheets: 3

**20**
**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	3/0	62	0	0	0	1	0

**D • 6-2 • 172 • Hvidovre, Denmark**

- Made PIT debut at HFD (8/28)
- Led Toronto FC II with 2,475 MIN in 2019
- No. 54 pick in 2019 MLS SuperDraft (Toronto)

**GAME HIGHS**  
 Minutes: 29 at NY (9/5)  
 Goals: 0  
 Assists: 0  
 Points: 0  
 Shots: 1 at NY (9/5)  
 SOG: 0

**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






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RAY LEE

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	5/5	412	0	2	2	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 (two times)  
Goals: 0  
Assists: 1 (two times)  
Points: 1 (two times)  
Shots: 0  
SOG: 0



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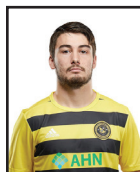
ANTHONY MWEMBI

	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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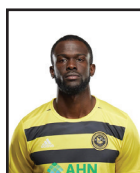
LUKAS FERNANDES

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	11/3	273	2	0	4	6	5

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 (two times)  
SOG: 2 at PHI (7/18)



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SKYLAR THOMAS

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2020	12/10	925	1	0	2	10	3

D • 6-4 • 198 • Scarborough, ON

- 107 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 (eight 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)