

# **GAME NOTES**

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In the team's inaugural match, S2 came out firing against

Sacramento controlled possession for a majority of the

first half, but neither team found the back of the net. The second half saw six goals in total, and S2 walked away

the defending USL champion, Sacramento Republic.

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# MATCH INFORMATION



SOUNDERS FC 2 VS. WHITECAPS FC 2



(1-0-0)

**Kickoff:** Sunday, March 29 | 4:00 p.m. PT **Location:** Starfire Stadium | Tukwila, Wash.

Referee: Josh Wilkens

Assistants: Jeff Hosking, Will Niccolls

Fourth official: Levi Rippy

#### **GOAL SCORERS**

victorious.

A: Craven (49) SAC: Braun (64)
Garza (70) Guzman (90)
Rossi (76)

Roldan (89)

### **BROADCAST INFORMATION**

Live Stream: SoundersFC.com

Announcers: Drew Wallen, Payton Berens

# GAME NOTES

Coming off a thrilling 4-2 victory in its inaugural match against the defending USL champion, S2 will look to settle the score with Whitecaps FC 2, the only team.

Four different players tallied for the Whitecaps in that preseason game where S2 fielded many of the same players who started in the inaugural match. This match also serves as the Whitecaps' season-opener and inaugural match, so look for the team to come out wanting to make a statement.

S2 enjoyed success playing a very direct game, moving the ball forward quickly at the feet of midfielder Pablo Rossi who had an assist and a free kick goal last time out earning him USL Player of the Week honors. First Team signings Victor Mansaray and Cristian Roldan also had good link-up play against Sacramento, and along with teammates Oniel Fisher, Dylan Remick, Jimmy Ockford, Aaron Kovar and Damion Lowe (who assisted an Andy Craven goal vs. Sacramento) also played in Tuesday's First Team friendly against Club Tijuana.

# 2015 S2 SCHEDULE

March 21 March 29 April 11 April 16 April 18 April 26 May 1 May 9 May 15 May 22 May 30 June 5 June 11 June 20 June 25 June 29 July 4 July 12 July 18 July 24 August 1 August 1 August 23 August 28 September 5	Whitecaps FC 2 Colorado Springs FC @ LA Galaxy II @ Real Monarchs SLC	7:30 p.m PT 7:00 p.m PT 7:00 p.m PT 7:30 p.m PT 7:00 p.m PT 7:30 p.m PT
August 28 September 5 September 11 September 17	<ul><li>@ Real Monarchs SLC</li><li>@ Austin Aztex</li><li>OC Blues FC</li><li>Austin Aztex</li></ul>	6:00 p.m PT 7:30 p.m PT 7:30 p.m PT 7:30 p.m PT



### SOUNDERS FC 2 WEEKLY NOTES

### **WEEKLY AWARDS**

Multiple S2 players were named to the USL Team of the Week for their performance against Sacramento Republic FC. Midfielders Pablo Rossi and Giuliano Frano, along with forward Andy Craven, all were recipients of the honor for Week 1.

Rossi was also named the USL Player of the Week for his efforts, having notched an assist on the Sam Garza goal in the in the 70th minute, and scoring a beautiful free kick in the 76th, his first goal of the season.

#### Week 1

Andy Craven M Pablo Rossi

USL Team of the Week M Giuliano Frano USL Team of the Week USL Team of the Week USL Player of the Week

### QUOTABLES

#### Coach Ezra Hendrickson

"If we go out there and play our game, we are going to be fine. When you have young players going into these rivalries, you have to be able to separate the emotions because they can be rough, tough games."

### **Forward Andy Craven**

"We need to treat it like we treated the first game. They have guys who can dribble and guys who like to attack down the wings. If we can put away the chances we create, we should be able to hold them off, but it is going to be a whole team effort."

WESTERN CONFERENCE STANDINGS							
TEAM	Pts	GP	RECORD	HOME	AWAY	GF	GA
S2	3	1	1-0-0	1-0-0	0-0-0	4	2
LA Galaxy II	1	1	0-1-0	0-1-0	0-0-0	0	0
Real Monarchs SLC	1	1	0-1-0	0-0-0	0-1-0	0	0
Arizona United SC	0	0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0	0
Austin Aztex	0	0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0	0
Switchbacks FC	0	0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0	0
OKC Energy FC	0	0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0	0
OC Blues FC	0	0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0	0
Portland Timbers 2	0	0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0	0
Tulsa Roughnecks FC	0	0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0	0
WFC2	0	0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0	0
Sac Republic FC	0	1	0-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-1	2	4



### SACRAMENTO REPUBLIC RECAP

Sounders FC 2 kicked off its inaugural campaign with a 4-2 win over defending USL champion Sacramento Republic FC in front of a sell-out crowd of 2,951 at Starfire Stadium. S2 scored four second-half goals - including a goal and assist from Pablo Rossi - as the club secured three points in its first-ever match.

After a scoreless first half, Sounders FC SuperDraft selection Andy Craven put the Rave Green on the board in the 48th minute. After settling a long, over-the-top ball from defender Damion Lowe, Craven put a looping shot over the keeper for a 1-0 lead.

After Sacramento pulled even 15 minutes later on a Justin Braun 15-yard volley, S2 scored three unanswered goals to build a 4-1 lead. Moments after entering the match as a substitute, Sam Garza received a lofted through-ball from Rossi in the area and put a shot past the keeper, giving S2 the lead in the 70th minute.

Rossi made it 3-1 in the 76th minute on a direct free kick goal from 20 yards out. After a Sacramento foul just outside the box, the Argentine midfielder sent a right-footed shot into the top corner, striking the crossbar and ricocheting into the net.

Seattle increased its lead to 4-1 in the 89th minute when Sounders FC Homegrown Player Victor Mansaray made a run up the left flank and crossed into the area to Cristian Roldan, who struck it first-time into the back of the net. Republic FC was able to pull one back in stoppage time on an Octavio Guzman free kick, but S2 held on for the win in front of its home supporters.

S2 returns to action next weekend when they host Whitecaps FC 2 on Sunday, March 29. Kickoff is 4:00 p.m. PT at Starfire Stadium.

#### MATCH SUMMARY

Seattle Sounders FC 2 | 4 - 2 | Sacramento Republic FC Saturday, March 21, 2015

#### **SCORING SUMMARY**

SEA - Andy Craven (Damion Lowe) 49'

SAC - Justin Braun 64'

SEA - Sam Garza (Pablo Rossi) 70'

SEA - Pablo Rossi 76'

SEA - Cristian Roldan (Victor Mansaray) 89'

SAC - Octavio Guzman 90+'

#### MISCONDUCT SUMMARY

SAC - Justin Braun (caution) 59'

SAC - Derek Foran (caution) 65'

SAC - James Kiffe (caution) 75'

#### **SOUNDERS FC 2 LINEUP**

Seattle Sounders FC - Charlie Lyon; Oniel Fisher (Aaron Long 46'), Damion Lowe, Jimmy Ockford, Dylan Remick; Victor Mansaray, Amadou Sanyang (Cristian Roldan 62'), Giuliano Frano, Aaron Kovar (Sam Garza 69'); Pablo Rossi (Darwin Jones 86'), Andy Craven (Duncan McCormick 76')

Substitutes not used: Saif Kerawala, Nicholas Miele



# TEAM ROSTERSW

### **SOUNDERS FC / S2 ROSTER**

#	SUUNDERS F	Position		Neight	Age
1	Troy Perkins	GK	6-2	190	33
2	Clint Dempsey	F	6-1	170	32
3	Brad Evans	D/M	6-1	170	24
4	Tyrone Mears	D	5-11	163	32
5	Andy Rose	М	6-2	170	25
6	Osvaldo Alonso	М	5-11	150	29
7	Cristian Roldan	М	5-8	165	19
8	Gonzalo Pineda	М	5-10	166	32
9	Obafemi Martins	F	5-7	154	30
10	Marco Pappa	М	5-10	155	27
11	Aaron Kovar	М	5-10	155	21
12	Leonardo Gonzalez	D	6-1	174	34
13	Andrés Correa	D	5-10	175	21
14	Chad Marshall	D	6-4	190	30
15	Dylan Remick	D	6-0	165	23
17	Darwin Jones	F	5-10	175	22
19	Chad Barrett	F	5-11	185	29
20	Zach Scott	D	5-11	175	34
21	Jimmy Ockford	D	6-1	185	22
22	Charlie Lyon	GK	6-2	215	22
24	Stefan Frei	GK	6-3	195	28
<u>s</u> 25	Aaron Long	D	6-1	173	22
27	Lamar Neagle	M/F	5-11	165	27
<sup>§2)</sup> 30	Amadou Sanyang	М	6-0	155	23
31	Damion Lowe	D	6-3	175	21
§ <sub>2</sub> 32	Duncan McCormick	М	5-11	160	19
33	Kenny Cooper	F	6-3	210	30
36	Choong sil Lim*	D	5-7	140	19
42	Micheal Azira	D	5-10	160	27
§2) 44	Nick Miele	D	6-4	190	22
45	Giuliano Frano	М	5-11	163	21
§2) 49	Saif Kerawala*	GK	6-3	173	17
• ••• 55	Pablo Rossi	М	5-11	150	22
66	Qudus Lawal	F	5-10	170	19
80	Victor Mansaray	F	5-11	180	18
§2) 88	Sam Garza	F	5-11	160	25
91	Oniel Fisher	D/F	5-9	155	23
<sup>32)</sup> 99	Andy Craven	F	5-11	167	23

<sup>\*</sup>Denotes amateur player

### WHITECAPS FC 2 ROSTER

#	NAME	Position	Height	Weight	Age
37	Mitch Piraux	М	5-8	155	19
39	Spencer Richey	GK	6-1	195	22
41	Jackson Farmer	D	6-2	180	19
42	Jordan Haynes	D/M	5-10	165	19
45	Tyler Rosenlund	М	6-1	180	28
46	Brett Lewis	М	5-8	155	21
47	Jovan Blagojevic	M/F	6-0	165	23
48	Victor Blasco	М	5-10	165	20
49	Mackenzie Pridham	F	6-1	185	24
50	Sahil Sandhu	М	5-10	165	24
53	Mark Village	GK	6-2	185	23
54	Craig Nitti	D	6-5	220	23
55	Chris Serban	D	5-10	160	19



# HEAD COACH EZRA HENDRICKSON

Ezra Hendrickson was announced as an assistant coach on January 20, 2009, after completing a 14-year professional career, including 12 seasons in Major League Soccer. He is now the head coach of Sounders FC 2, the club's USL team.

Hendrickson played parts of eight seasons for Sounders FC Head Coach Sigi Schmid, including three in Columbus prior to his retirement. Hendrickson appeared in 266 regular season matches with 225 starts. Playing defense, he scored 23 goals and added 30 assists.

He also played in 32 postseason games with five goals and three assists. Hendrickson was a member of three MLS Cup championship teams, winning two with Schmid. Together, they won the 2002 MLS Cup with the Los Angeles Galaxy and the 2008 MLS Cup in Columbus. Hendrickson was also with the champion D.C. United team in 2004.

A native of the island of St. Vincent in the Caribbean, Hendrickson began his career in 1997 with the New York MetroStars, before joining the Galaxy later that season. He totaled six seasons in Los Angeles, where he won the 2000 CONCACAF Champions Cup, scoring two goals in a 3-2 victory, and the 2001 Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup, scoring one goal in a 2-1 victory. He was named Galaxy's Most Valuable Player for the 2001 season.

Hendrickson went to Dallas in 2003 and began the next season with the A-League's Charleston Battery before joining D.C. United for its run to the 2004 MLS Cup. After starting all 31 appearances in 2005 for expansion Chivas USA, Hendrickson was acquired by Columbus in early 2006.

An All-American and business administration major at Drake University, Hendrickson first played professionally with New Orleans of the USISL Select League (1995-96). After earning his first international cap in 1995, he served 12 years as captain of the St. Vincent and the Grenadines national team.

Hendrickson earned his U.S. Soccer 'A' Coaching License in December of 2008. He is a resident of Layou, St. Vincent, and has two daughters, Xavia and McKenzie.



# PLAYER BIOS

### #25, Aaron Long

Position: Defender

Height: 6-1 Weight: 173

Born: October 12, 1992 in Oak Hills, California

Hometown: Oak Hills, California Citizenship: United States

#### Notes:

- In 2014, while on loan from Portland Timbers, played five games between USL sides Sacramento Republic FC and Orange County Blues FC before joining the Sounders FC First Team midway through the campaign.
- Scored 13 goals and notched five assists as a four-year starter at University of California Riverside from 2010-2013.

### #30, Amadou Sanyang

Position: Midfielder

Height: 6-0 Weight: 155

Born: August 1, 1991 in Bakau, Gambia

Citizenship: Gambia

#### Notes:

- -In last two seasons, made 53 appearances for Charleston Battery in USL play, scoring five goals.
- Started 15 games for Toronto FC in 2009 season, making 20 appearances overall.

### #32, Duncan McCormick

Position: Midfielder

Height: 5-11 Weight: 160

Born: November 1, 1995

Hometown: Seattle, Washington Citizenship: United States

### Notes:

- Spent a year in Spain playing for Spanish Third Division side Colemenar Viejo.
- Product of the Sounders FC Academy, having started all 29 games for the Academy U-18 side in the 2013-2014 season.

### #44, Nick Miele

Position: Defender

Height: 6-4 Weight: 190

Born: December 22, 1992

Hometown: Albuquerque, New Mexico

Citizenship: United States

#### Notes:

- Played every minute of his senior season for University of New Mexico in 2014. He scored his first career collegiate goal against Drexel on September 19, 2014.
- Part of a senior class that recorded 60 career wins, one shy of the school record.



# PLAYER BIOS

### #45, Giuliano Frano

Position: Midfielder

Height: 5-11 Weight: 163

Born: May 16, 1993

Hometown: Mississauga, Ontario

Citizenship: Canada

#### Notes:

- Leading goal-scorer with four goals for Boston College in 2013. He was one of two players to start all 18 matches.

-Started in S2's inaugural match against Sacramento Republic FC on March 21, 2015.

### #55, Pablo Rossi

Position: Midfielder

Height: 6-0 Weight: 155

Born: April 5, 1992 in Rosario, Argentina

Hometown: Rosario, Argentina

Citizenship: Argentina

#### Notes:

-Scored one goal, added an assist in inaugural match against Sacramento Republic FC on March 21, 2015.

- Named USL Player of the Week for Week 1 of 2015 season.
- Played in the Argentine Primera Division with Atletico de Rafaela.

### #66, Qudus Lawal

Position: Forward Height: 5-10 Weight: 170

Born: September 4, 1995 in Nigeria

Citizenship: Nigeria

#### Notes:

- Most recently played for the Chicago Fire Reserves of the USL Premier Development League.
- Led Chicago's Mather High School to state championship title in 2011.

### #88, Sam Garza

Position: Forward Height: 5-11 Weight: 160

Born: October 17, 1989

Hometown: Highland Village, Texas

Citizenship: United States

#### Notes:

- -Scored on his first touch seconds after being put in the match in the club's inaugural match against Sacramento Republic FC on March 21, 2015.
- -Made nine appearances for Arizona United SC of the USL. He scored one goal, a game-winning penalty kick during a 2-1 victory over Oklahoma City Energy FC.
- -Played in MLS with SJ Earthquakes for two seasons, recording one assist in MLS play.



# PLAYER BIOS

### #99, Andy Craven

Position: Forward

Height: 5-11 Weight: 167

Born: January 21, 1992

Hometown: St. Simons Island, Georgia

Citizenship: United States

#### Notes:

-Scored first goal in club history against Sacramento Republic FC on March 21, 2015. Named to USL Team of the Week in Week 1.

- -Spent three years at the University of North Carolina, scoring 21 goals and recording 11 assists in the 2012 and 2014 seasons.
- -One of three finalists for the MAC Hermann Trophy after starting all 22 games for the Tar Heels, scoring 15 goals (tied for the national lead) and leading the country with eight game-winners.