

GAME NOTES

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MATCH INFORMATION



SOUNDERS FC 2

VS

SACRAMENTO REPUBLIC FC



Kickoff: Sunday, March 26, 2017 | 2:00 p.m. PT **Location:** Starfire Stadium | Tukwila, Wash.

Referee: Hamed Sadeghi

Assistants: Jacob Herold, Justin Fillmore

Fourth Official: Joseph Wykowski

BROADCAST INFORMATION

Live Stream: SoundersFC.com

Talent: Aaron Heinzen and Andrew Harvey

MATCHUP PREVIEW

On Sunday afternoon, Sounders FC 2 hosts Sacramento Republic FC at 2:00 p.m. PT in the first contest of the 2017 campaign at Starfire Stadium. The meeting marks the third consecutive year that S2 opens league play against Sacramento. Seattle is 1-1-0 all-time in season-opening matches against Republic FC.

The Rave Green look to begin the campaign on a different foot from last season, which saw the club fall to an 0-3-0 record in the early stages. After three players signed First Team contracts in the offseason (Jordy Delem, Zach Mathers and Nouhou Tolo), S2 will rely on a new crop of young talent, including Academy products Lorenzo Ramos, David Olsen and Shandon Hopeau.

Republic FC comes off a 14-6-10 record and a first-place finish in the Western Conference. After winning the league title in 2015, Paul Buckle's side reached the Western Conference Semifinals last season.

2017 USL SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	TIME (PT)/ RESULT
Sun.	3/26	Sacramento	2:00 p.m.
Sun.	4/2	Portland	2:00 p.m.
Sat.	4/8	at Vancouver	3:00 p.m.
Sat.	4/15	at LA Galaxy II	7:30 p.m.
Sat.	4/22	Monarchs SLC	7:00 p.m.
Tue.	4/25	San Antonio	7:30 p.m.
Sat.	4/29	at Colorado Spring	s 6:00 p.m.
Fri.	5/5	Portland	7:30 p.m.
Sat.	5/13	at San Antonio	7:30 p.m.
Sat.	5/20	at Reno	7:30 p.m.
Sun.	5/28	Sacramento	2:00 p.m.
Sat.	6/3	LA Galaxy II	7:00 p.m.
Sat.	6/10	at Rio Grande	7:30 p.m.
Mon.	6/19	Oklahoma City	7:30 p.m.
Sat.	6/24	at Orange County	/ 5:00 p.m.
Sat.	7/1	at Vancouver	3:00 p.m.
Sat.	7/8	at Monarchs SLO	7:00 p.m.
Sun.	7/16	Orange County	2:00 p.m.
Thurs.	7/20	Swope Park	7:30 p.m.
Sun.	7/23	at Sacramento	8:00 p.m.
Sat.	7/29	at Colorado Spring	s 6:00 p.m.
Sun.	8/6	Rio Grande	6:30 p.m.
Sat.	8/13	Vancouver	6:30 p.m.
Fri.	8/18	at Portland	7:30 p.m.
Wed.	8/30	Tulsa	7:30 p.m.
Sat.	9/2	at Phoenix	7:30 p.m.
Sat.	9/9	Reno	7:00 p.m.
Sat.	9/16	Colorado Spring	s 7:00 p.m.
Wed.	9/20	Phoenix	7:30 p.m.
Sat.	10/7	at Tulsa	7:00 p.m.
Wed.	10/11	at Swope Park	7:30 p.m.
Sun.	10/15	at Oklahoma Cit	y 5:00 p.m.

INJURY REPORT

QUESTIONABLE

<u>OUT</u>

SOUNDERS FC 2 NOTES

HUTCHINSON ADDED TO STAFF

In February, Sounders FC 2 announced John Hutchinson as Assistant Coach. Hutchinson, 37, is an Australia native, where he played professionally from 1996-2015, making over 400 appearances and scoring 44 goals as a central midfielder. Hutchinson joins Head Coach Ezra Hendrickson's staff ahead of the club's third season in USL.

Born in Morwell, Victoria, Australia, Hutchinson made his senior debut for the Gippsland Falcons in 1997, where he made 89 appearances. From 2001-2004, Hutchinson played for the Northern Spirit, a Sydney-based club, then joined Manly United in 2004 as the club's captain. The final 10 years of his career were spent with the A-League's Central Coast Mariners, where he set a club record with 268 total appearances and scored 18 goals.

Eligible due to his grandmother's Maltese decent, Hutchinson earned 11 caps for Malta. He made his first appearance in a 2010 FIFA World Cup Qualifier against Sweden.

During the 2015 season, Hutchinson made a seamless transition to the technical side for the Mariners, where he served as a coach through the 2016 campaign.

SPLITS		GOALS		
Overall	0-0-0	GOALS SCORED While leading	(0) 0	
Home Away	0-0-0 0-0-0	While tied While trailing	0	
March April May June July	0-0-0 0-0-0 0-0-0 0-0-0 0-0-0	Run of play Set piece Penalties Own goals	0 0 0	
August September	0-0-0 0-0-0 0-0-0	Unassisted One assist	0	
When leading at half When tied at half When trailing at half	0-0-0 0-0-0 0-0-0	Forwards Midfielders Defenders	0 0 0	
When scoring first When conceding first	0-0-0 0-0-0	GOALS ALLOWED While leading While tied	(0) 0 0	
With 0 goals scored With 1 goal scored	0-0-0 0-0-0	While trailing	0	
With 2 goals scored With 3 goals scored With 4+ goals scored	0-0-0 0-0-0 0-0-0	Run of play Set piece Penalties Own goals	0 0 0	
Conceding 0 goals Conceding 1 goal Conceding 2 goals Conceding 3 goals Conceding 4+ goals	0-0-0 0-0-0 0-0-0 0-0-0 0-0-0	Forwards Midfielders Defenders	0 0 0	

S2 SIGNS NINE PLAYERS

Seattle Sounders FC 2 announced this month that it is has bolstered its roster with the signing of nine players to USL contracts. These players include defenders Brian Nana-Sinkam, Denso Ulysse, Riley Grant and Rodrigue Ele, midfielders Francisco Narbon and Ray Saari and forwards Felix Chenkam, David Olsen and Shandon Hopeau.

Nana-Sinkam, 22, officially joins Seattle after being selected with the 22nd overall pick in the 2017 MLS SuperDraft. A four-year standout at Stanford, Nana-Sinkam won two NCAA titles with the Cardinal and was named to the 2016 All-Pac-12 First Team.

Hopeau, 18, inks a contract with S2 after joining Sounders FC Academy in 2016. The crafty winger is originally from Hawaii, which is a Homegrown territory for the Rave Green, and previously played for Hawaii Rush. Hopeau shined for the Academy's U-18s in 2016 and appeared in two S2 matches last fall, then trained with the First Team during preseason. Hopeau is joined by forward Olsen, 21, of Seatte University, as two Academy products on S2.

Ulysse is an 18-year-old defender from Haiti, where he has starred for the U-20 Haiti squad. In October of 2016, Ulysse was named to the Caribbean U-20 Best XI following Haiti's championship win in the qualifying tournament for the 2017 CONCACAF U-20 Championship. Before signing with S2, Ulysse played for Real Hope in Haiti.

Ele, 19, comes to Seattle via Cameroon's Rainbow FC Bamenda. Chenkam, 18, also joins S2 after playing for Rainbow FC Bamenda last season. They are both members of Cameroon's U-20 team.

After an impressive collegiate career at the University of Tulsa, Saari, 22, joins the Rave Green. As a sophomore in 2014, Saari scored a team-high six goals and was named to The American All-Conference Second Team. As a senior, Saari converted the winning attempt in a penalty-kick shootout to give Tulsa its third consecutive conference title.

S2 also brings in Grant, a 22-year-old defender from Penn State. The left-footed center back played for the Nittany Lions for three seasons after transferring from Akron following his freshman year. He made over 50 appearances for Penn State, including 34 starts, and recorded two goals and six assists.

Narbon, 22, joins S2 after competing for USL side FC Cincinnati in 2016. He has two caps for the Panama National Team.

2017 SOUNDERS FC PLAYERS

No	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Birthdate	Hometown	Previous Club
1	Tyler Miller	GK	6-4	195	3/12/93	Woodbury, NJ	Northwestern (NCAA)
2	Clint Dempsey	F	6-1	170	3/9/83	Nacogdoches, TX	Tottenham Hotspur (ENG)
3	Brad Evans	M	6-1	170	4/20/85	Phoenix, AZ	Columbus
4	Gustav Svenssor	n M	6-0	155	2/7/87	Gothenburg, Sweden	Guangzhou R&F (CHI)
5	Nouhou Tolo	D	5-10	175	6/23/97	Douala, Cameroon	Sounders FC 2 (USL)
6	Osvaldo Alonso	M	5-11	155	11/11/85	San Cristobal, Cub	Charleston (USL)
7	Cristian Roldan	M	5-8	165	6/3/95	Pico Rivera, CA	Washington (NCAA)
8	Alvaro Fernande	zM	6-1	159	10/11/85	Soriano, Uraguay	Chicago
10	Nicolás Lodeiro	M	5-7	150	3/21/89	Paysandú, Uruguay	Boca Juniors (ARG)
11	Aaron Kovar	M	5-10	155	8/14/93	Seattle, WA	Stanford (NCAA)
12	Seyi Adekoya	F	5-11	170	12/5/95	Seattle, WA	UCLA (NCAA)
13	Jordan Morris	F	6-0	185	10/26/94	Mercer Island, WA	Stanford (NCAA)
14	Chad Marshall	D	6-4	190	8/22/84	Riverside, CA	Columbus
15	Tony Alfaro	D	6-2	190	6/15/93	Santa Barbara, CA	Cal State Dominguez Hills (NCAA)
17	Will Bruin	F	6-2	194	10/24/89	St. Louis, MO	Houston
21	Jordy Delem	M	5-11	156	3/18/93	Fort-de-France, Martinique	Sounders FC 2 (USL)
23	Henry Wingo	M	6-0	170	10/4/95	Seattle, WA	Washington (NCAA)
24	Stefan Frei	GK	6-3	195	4/20/86	Altstaetten, Switzerland	Toronto FC
29	Román Torres	D	6-2	195	3/20/86	Panama City, Panama	Milionarios (COL)
30*	Javorn Stevens	F	6-0	150	5/9/98	Green Bay, Antigua	Hoppers FC (AG)
31*	Lorenzo Ramos	M	5-7	150	1/29/97	Fife, WA	Sounders FC Academy
32	Zach Mathers	M	5-11	172	4/14/94	Ft. Worth, TX	Sounders FC 2 (USL)
33	Joevin Jones	D	5-11	160	8/3/91	Carenage, Trinidad & Tobago	Chicago
34*	Brian Nana-Sinkam	D	6-0	185	1/1/95	Lititz, PA	Stanford (NCAA)
35	Bryan Meredith	GK	6-2	209	8/2/90	Scotch Plains, NJ	San Jose
36*	Denso Ulysse	D	5-8	133	11/20/98	Gonaives, Haiti	Real Hope (HT)
37*	Shandon Hopeau	F	5-10	158	12/1/98	Kapolei, HI	Sounders FC Academy
38*	Irvin Parra	M	6-1	188	8/18/93	Inglewood, CA	FC Kaiserslautern (GER)
71*	David Olsen	F	6-0	180	2/5/96	Seattle, WA	Seattle (NCAA)
73*	Riley Grant	D	6-1	182	1/27/95	Copley, OH	Penn State (NCAA)
77*	Francisco Narbo	n M	5-9	150	2/11/95	Panama City, Panama	FC Cincinnati
80**	Victor Mansaray	F	5-11	180	2/22/97	Fife, WA	Sounders FC Academy
88*	Ray Saari	M	5-7	150	4/18/95	Kansas City, Missouri	Tulsa (NCAA)
91	Oniel Fisher	D	5-9	155	11/22/91	Portmore, Jamaica	New Mexico (NCAA)
92*	Rodrigue Ele	D	6-0	160	3/2/98	Yaounde, Cameroon	Rainbow FC Bamenda (CAM)
99*	Felix Chenkam	F	5-6	165	12/8/98	Doula, Cameroon	Rainbow FC Bamenda (CAM)

^{*}Signed to S2 contract

^{**} Out on loan

S2 HEAD COACH EZRA HENDRICKSON



Ezra Hendrickson initially joined Sounders FC 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 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 former Sounders FC

Head Coach Sigi 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 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.

DIRECTOR OF PLAYER PERSONNEL KURT SCHMID



An original member of Sounders FC's technical staff, Schmid joined the Rave Green as a scout and assistant coach on March 12, 2009. In January 2017, Schmid was promoted from Head Scout to Director of Player Personnel.

In this role, Schmid manages all soccer-related aspects of S2, while continuing to scout primarily foreign and college players. He is also responsible for discovering and evaluating talent for the Sounders FC First Team. Schmid manages the club's Las Vegas Combine and assists at the MLS Combine, and he continues to advise Seattle's management at the MLS

SuperDraft. He also coordinates with agents and players to ensure player eligibility, manages the budget for S2 and works extensively with Sounders FC Academy on developing the youth system. For the First Team, Schmid helps with roster management.

Prior to joining Sounders FC, Schmid was an Assistant Coach at the collegiate level, first at Saint Mary's College, then from 2007-08 at UC Irvine. In 2008, UC Irvine won both the Big West Conference regular season and tournament championship, and the Anteaters earned an NCAA tournament berth. All three were first-time achievements for the UCI program.

Schmid was a member of the Region IV ODP boys coaching staff for two years and also coached at West Coast FC. Previously, he was a coach for South Bay Soccer Club. His coaching career began at South High School in Torrance, California.

Schmid played soccer collegiately at Wake Forest and UCLA, and he was a member of the Bruins' 2002 NCAA Championship team. He is a graduate of UCLA with a degree in Business-Economics.

Schmid and his wife, Joanne, have three daughters.