

LA GALAXY

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LA Galaxy vs. FC Dallas
Saturday, August 6, 2011



THE TEAMS



vs.



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MATCH STATS – GALAXY

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GOALSCORERS:

MATCH STATS – FC DALLAS

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SUB 3:		

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GOALSCORERS:

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LA GALAXY

Head Coach: Bruce Arena

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<input type="checkbox"/>	2 Todd Dunivant	D
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FC DALLAS

Head Coach: Schellas Hyndman

#	Player	Pos.
<input type="checkbox"/>	1 Kevin Hartman	GK
<input type="checkbox"/>	2 Daniel Hernandez	M
<input type="checkbox"/>	3 Ugo Ihemelu	D
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<input type="checkbox"/>	19 Zach Loyd	D
<input type="checkbox"/>	20 Brek Shea	D
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<input type="checkbox"/>	22 Josh Lambo	GK
<input type="checkbox"/>	23 Andrew Wiedeman	F
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<input type="checkbox"/>	34 Ruben Luna	F
<input type="checkbox"/>	40 Richard Sanchez	GK
<input type="checkbox"/>	Maicon Santos	F



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2001, 2005

CONCACAF
CHAMPIONS CUP
2000

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Dear Supporters:

Thank you for joining us tonight as we return home to face FC Dallas. Dallas is having another great season and will be a most formidable opponent.

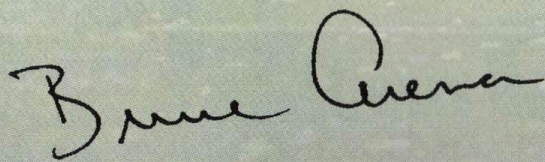
I have been very impressed with the way that Dallas has played this year for their coach Schellas Hyndeman, despite the loss of MLS MVP David Ferreira. Kevin Hartman continues to be outstanding in goal and their defense of Ugo Ihemelu, George John, Jair Benitez and Zack Lloyd has been outstanding.

In the attack, Brek Shea is having a very good season and is arguably an MVP candidate. The tactical change of positioning Marvin Chavez to the striker position has energized Dallas' attack. His speed will be a concern in tonight's match.

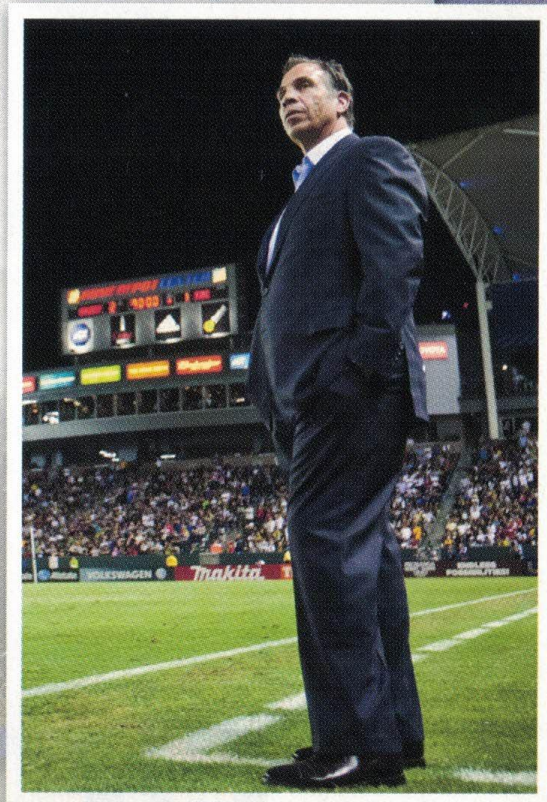
Our goalkeeping and backline continue to have an outstanding season, and we will need to be at our best tonight in order to neutralize Dallas. In the Vancouver game, we tied a team record with our 12th shutout of the year and this is a testament to our entire team as they continue to work for each other. We continue to build a strong nucleus of players, which positions our team to win each and every game.

Finally, we will be idle from MLS action for a few weeks as we begin international play. On August 16 we begin the CONCACAF Champions League against Motagua from Honduras, followed by another home game on August 25 against Alajuelense. They have a number of players that you may be familiar with from their time in MLS including Amado Guevara and Ivan Guerrero, as well as Pando Ramirez, who Galaxy fans will remember from his game-winning goal in MLS Cup 2005. We look forward to the start of the competition, and will need your support if we hope to be successful. It is critical that we win the first two games at home.

Thank you once again for coming out to support us and we hope to reward that support with a win over FC Dallas tonight. So enjoy the game, and let's hear you get behind us all night long!

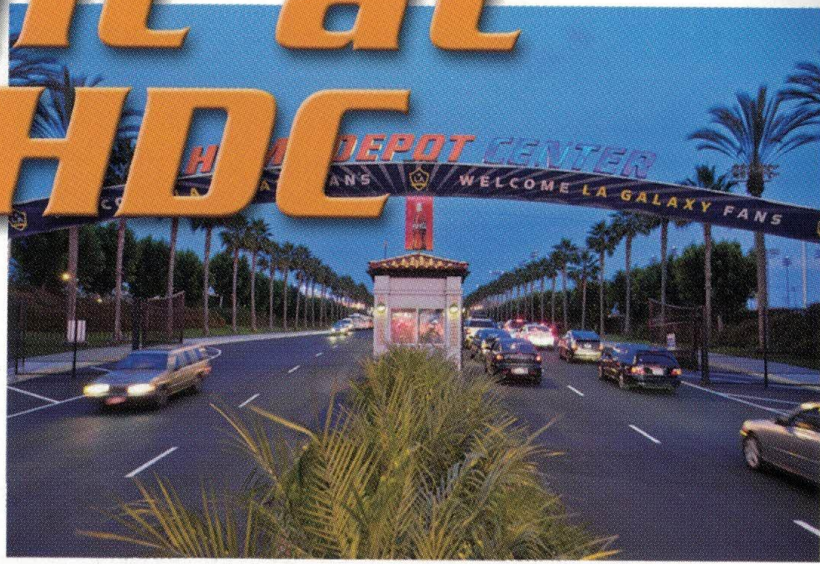


BRUCE ARENA



Tonight at The HDC

WELCOME TO THE HOME DEPOT CENTER for tonight's match between the LA Galaxy and FC Dallas. In addition to the game on the field, which will see the teams with the two best records in MLS facing one another, there are a number of other exciting events happening at SoccerFest and throughout the stadium. Here are a few things to know about tonight's game in order to enhance your gameday experience.



Tonight's fan giveaway Upper Deck Trading Cards

The LA Galaxy and Upper Deck will be giving away a free pack of exclusive LA Galaxy Upper Deck trading cards to the first 10,000 fans that enter the stadium. Additionally, 100 of those packs will be specially marked as an instant winner, with those 100 fans gaining entry to a private postgame autograph session with Galaxy captain Landon Donovan. Be sure to get your Upper Deck trading cards as you enter the stadium



Additionally, receive a \$20 Team LA Gift Card with any purchase of \$100 or more.

If you cannot make it to the Team LA store, visit them online at www.teamlastore.com.

Galaxy Foundation Game Day Fundraisers

Stop by the Galaxy Foundation booth at SoccerFest for the chance to bid on original and unique experiences and autographed memorabilia that is sure to thrill any Galaxy fan. Even better, all of the money from these items goes to the Los Angeles Galaxy Foundation, the charitable arm of the Galaxy.



Mora Photography Shot of the Week: Bid on an exclusive "Shot of the Week" image presented by MoraPhotography.com. Images are artistic renderings of photos from previous Galaxy home matches, signed by the player(s) featured in the image. These are one-of-a-kind items that any Galaxy fan would love!

Name in Lights Scoreboard Messages: Welcome or wish that special someone a Happy Birthday or Anniversary in a unique way ... let them see their "Name in Lights"! The Galaxy will display your message on the scoreboard at Galaxy home games for a \$50 donation to the Galaxy Foundation.

Visit the Galaxy Foundation section of the Galaxy website for more information.

Team LA

The Team LA store at The Home Depot Center is open before and after every Galaxy game at The Home Depot Center. Visit Team LA for all the latest Galaxy jerseys, t-shirts, sweatshirts, hats, collectibles and much more. The store is open from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. every Tuesday-Saturday (and Sunday when the Galaxy are in action) with extended hours on all game days.



Galaxy Futboleros

6:30 p.m. – SoccerFest

The Galaxy Futboleros are once again back in 2011, entertaining fans at The Home Depot Center with their unique brand of soccer.

With a deep background in soccer entertainment, the Galaxy Futboleros perform soccer tricks and juggling skills that combine speed, strength and balance to create high energy performances that are truly one of a kind. Their freestyle performance consists of sequences and combinations of tricks, juggling skills, ground work and playing.

Experienced with years of soccer knowledge and training, the Galaxy Futboleros have traveled all over the United States and the world, entertaining hundreds of thousands of people and soccer fans. With passion and excitement, the Galaxy Futboleros aim to bring any crowd to its feet with a complex freestyle showcase of soccer skills. You can catch the Galaxy Futboleros at every Galaxy home game as they will be performing at SoccerFest starting an hour and a half before kickoff.



Free Chicken from Pollo Campero

If the Galaxy keep a clean sheet tonight, all fans in attendance will be given a coupon good for a free two-piece chicken meal from Pollo Campero. Be sure to grab your coupon from a Guest Services Representative on the way out.



Get Involved

Join the Galaxy supporters groups in the cross stadium chant in the 15th and 60th minutes of tonight's game and every Galaxy home game. All fans in the north end of the stadium say "L-A" and the south end responds with "GAL-AX-Y". •

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SOCCER

2011 SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	TIME/RESULT	TV/GOALSCORERS
Tues.	March 15	at Seattle Sounders FC	1-0 W	Juninho
Sun.	March 20	vs. New England Revolution	1-1 T	Juninho
Sat.	March 26	at Real Salt Lake	1-4 L	Angel
Sat.	April 2	vs. Philadelphia Union	1-0 W	Leonardo
Sat.	April 9	at D.C. United	1-1 T	Magee
Wed.	April 13	at Toronto FC	0-0 T	—
Sun.	April 17	at Chicago Fire	2-1 W	Barrett, Gonzalez
Sat.	April 23	vs. Portland Timbers	3-0 W	Barrett, Donovan (2)
Sun.	May 1	at FC Dallas	1-2 L	Donovan
Sat.	May 7	vs. New York Red Bulls	1-1 T	Donovan
Wed.	May 11	at Philadelphia Union	1-1 T	Donovan
Sat.	May 14	vs. Sporting Kansas City	4-1 W	Donovan (2), Angel, Beckham
Sat.	May 21	at Chivas USA	1-0 W	Barrett
Wed.	May 25	vs. Houston Dynamo	1-0 W	Donovan
Sat.	May 28	at New England Revolution	1-0 W	Lopez
Fri.	June 3	vs. D.C. United	0-0 T	—
Sat.	June 11	vs. Toronto FC	2-2 T	Birchall, Angel
Sat.	June 18	at Colorado Rapids	3-1 W	Own Goal, Juninho, Barrett
Sat.	June 25	at San Jose Earthquakes	0-0 T	—
Tues.	June 28	vs. Los Angeles Blues	2-1 W	Gonzalez, Magee
<i>Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup Third Round at Titan Stadium</i>				
Mon.	July 4	vs. Seattle Sounders FC	0-0 T	—
Sat.	July 9	vs. Chicago Fire	2-1 W	Donovan, Beckham
Wed.	July 13	at Seattle Sounders FC	1-3 L	Cristman
<i>Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup Quarterfinal at Starfire Sports Stadium</i>				
Sat.	July 16	vs. Real Madrid	1-4 L	Cristman
<i>Herbalife World Football Challenge at the L.A. Coliseum</i>				
Wed.	July 20	vs. Columbus Crew	1-0 W	Franklin
Sun.	July 24	vs. Manchester City	1-1 T	Magee; (Galaxy Lose 7-6 on Penalties)
<i>Herbalife World Football Challenge at The Home Depot Center</i>				
Sat.	July 30	at Vancouver Whitecaps FC	4-0 W	Donovan (2), Franklin, Cristman
Wed.	August 3	at Portland Timbers	7:30 p.m.	ESPN2
Sat.	August 6	vs. FC Dallas	7:30 p.m.	Prime Ticket (D – 8:30 p.m.)
Tues.	August 16	vs. Club Motagua	7 p.m.	
<i>CONCACAF Champions League – Group A – Round 1</i>				
Sat.	August 20	vs. San Jose Earthquakes	7:30 p.m.	Prime Ticket
Thur.	August 25	vs. LD Alajuelense	7 p.m.	
<i>CONCACAF Champions League – Group A – Round 2</i>				
Sun.	August 28	at New York Red Bulls	4 p.m.	ESPN2/ESPN Deportes
Mon.	September 5	at Sporting Kansas City	3 p.m.	FOX Soccer
Fri.	September 9	vs. Colorado Rapids	8 p.m.	FOX Soccer
Sat.	September 17	vs. Vancouver Whitecaps FC	7:30 p.m.	FOX Sports West (D – 10:30 p.m.)
Sat.	September 24	at Columbus Crew	4:30 p.m.	FOX Sports West
Sat.	October 1	vs. Real Salt Lake	7:30 p.m.	Prime Ticket
Sun.	October 16	vs. Chivas USA	6 p.m.	ESPN/ESPN Deportes
Sun.	October 23	at Houston Dynamo	4 p.m.	FOX Sports West/Galavision
Sun.	November 20	MLS Cup 2011	6 p.m.	ESPN/Galavision

Eastern Conference Champion vs. Western Conference Champion at The Home Depot Center

All Times Pacific



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Donovan Ricketts GK
Montego Bay, Jamaica



Todd Dunivant DEF
Wheat Ridge, Colo.



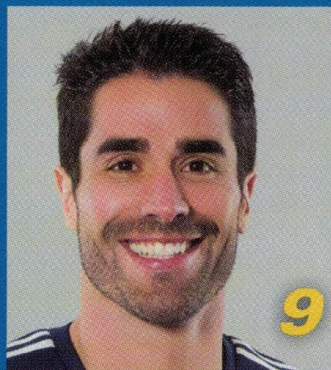
Gregg Berhalter DEF
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Jovan Kirovski MID
Escondido, Calif.



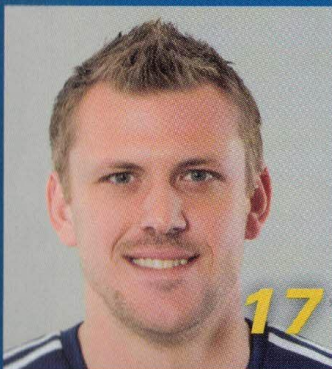
Chris Birchall MID
Stafford, England



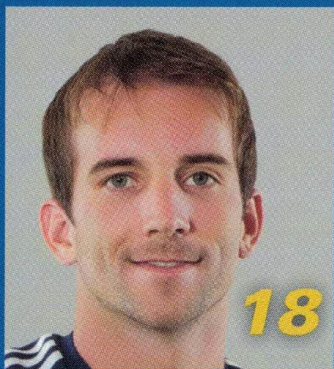
Juan Pablo Angel FWD
Medellin, Colombia



Landon Donovan MID
Redlands, Calif.



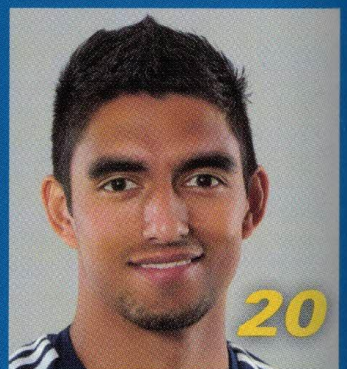
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Glen Allen, Va.



Mike Magee FWD
Chicago, Ill.



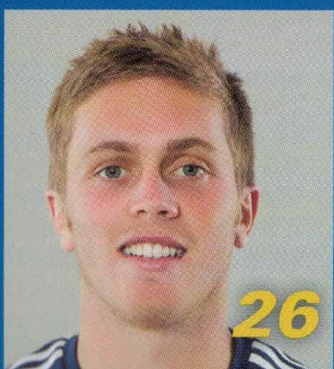
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San Jose dos Campos, Brazil



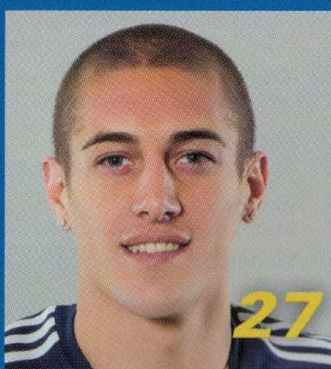
A.J. DeLaGarza DEF
Bryans Road, Md.



Miguel Lopez MID
Ensenada, Argentina



Michael Stephens MID
Naperville, Ill.



Bryan Jordan MID
Temple City, Calif.



Ryan Thomas DEF
Claremont, Calif.

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Omar González DEF
Dallas, Texas



Sean Franklin DEF
Palmdale, Calif.



Frankie Hejduk DEF
Cardiff, Calif.



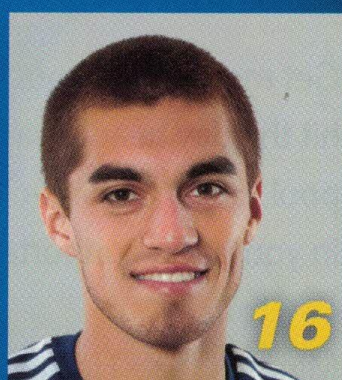
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Josh Saunders GK
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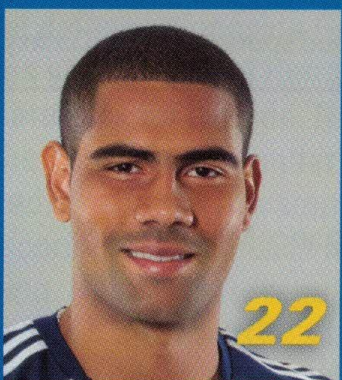
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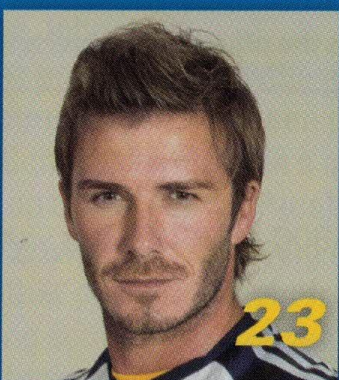
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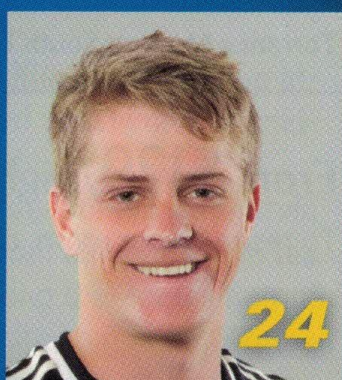
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Maitland, Fla.



Leonardo DEF
Sao Paulo, Brazil



David Beckham MID
London, England



Brian Perk GK
Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.



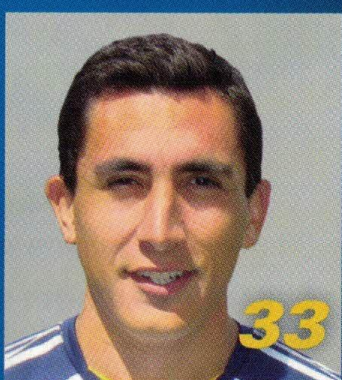
Kyle Davies DEF
Oakland, Calif.



Paolo Cardozo MID
Montevideo, Uruguay



Jack McBean FWD
Newport Beach, Calif.



Sean Alvarado DEF
West Orange, N.J.



TONIGHT'S OPPONENT FC DALLAS

More than three months ago, the LA Galaxy travelled to Pizza Hut Park in Frisco, Texas and lost one of the most bizarre and odd games in the club's history. Following a tight first half, the game, which was played in a near-constant downpour, burst to life in the opening minutes of the second half with FC Dallas claiming a 1-0 lead only for Juninho to pick out Landon Donovan with a pinpoint cross that the captain bundled into the goal, tying the score at 1-1.

It would stay that way until the 83rd minute when, with the rains getting even heavier, referee Alex Prus was forced to halt the proceedings following a lightning strike nearby. Over an hour later, the teams were called back from the dressing rooms to finish the game's final seven minutes in front of no more than 200 brave souls who chose to stay until the end. They were rewarded in the 88th minute when Brek Shea's half-cross/half-shot got caught up in the wind and dropped underneath Donovan Ricketts' crossbar to give the hosts a 2-1 win.

In their next 14 league games after that loss, the Galaxy did not lose, moving to the top of the Western Conference standings and into the pole position in the race for the Supporters' Shield. Tonight, the club has the chance to exact some revenge for that May 1 defeat.

While Shea provided the heroics back in May, in has been the Dallas defense, led by a trio of former Galaxy stars, that have led Dallas up to second place in the Western Conference standings. Goalkeeper Kevin Hartman continues to show why he owns most MLS goalkeeping records while Ugo Ihemelu has provided needed athleticism in central defense alongside George John.

Further up the field, Dallas captain Daniel Hernandez provides the mettle in midfield, breaking up attacks and starting the counterattack for his side. No matter who he has been paired with in central midfield, Hernandez has been the consummate leader for Schellas Hyndeman's squad.

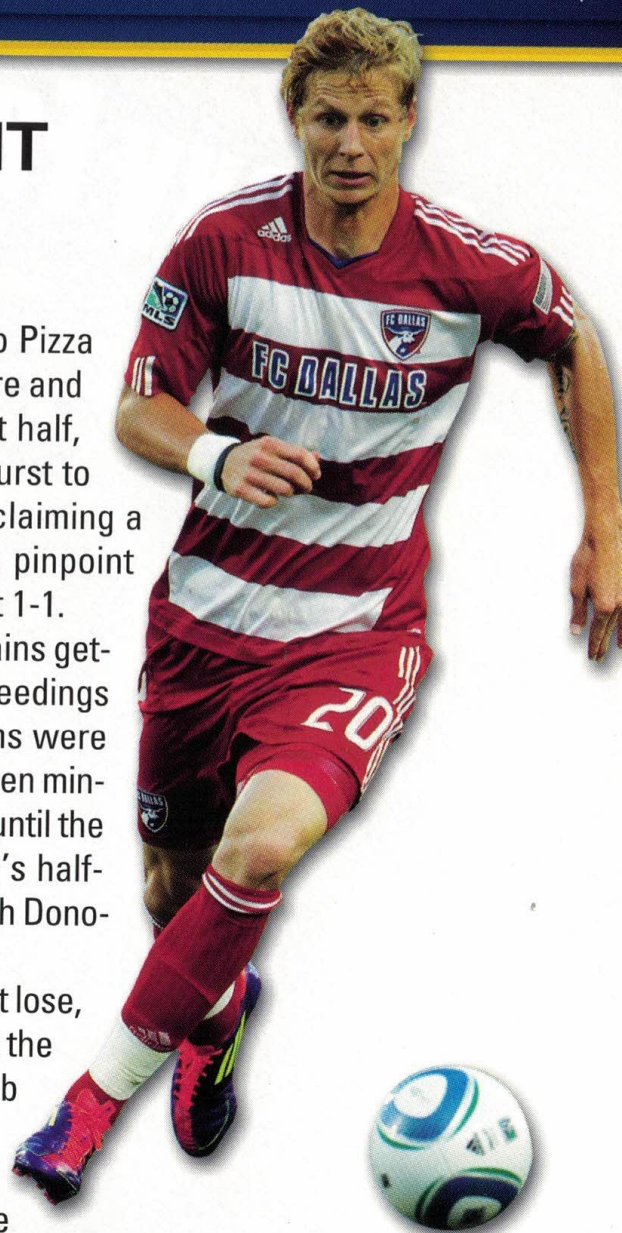
With David Ferreira injured, Brek Shea has stepped up to have an MVP-caliber season, while Marvin Chavez has starred of late, scoring three times in his last two games, playing up front as opposed to his preferred position on the wing. He will likely return to that position tonight following the acquisition of Maicon Santos from Toronto FC on Tuesday. TFC's leading scorer with six goals on the campaign, Santos gives Dallas a powerful target forward to play with the technical Chavez or even Ferreira, who returned to training late last month.

FC Dallas Expected Lineup (4-5-1)

Kevin Hartman; Jackson, George John, Ugo Ihemelu, Jair Benitez; Daniel Hernandez, Eric Alexander, Ricardo Villar, Brek Shea, Marvin Chavez; Maicon Santos.

Key Man: Brek Shea

In mid-April, the reigning MLS MVP, David Ferreira, was lost to a broken ankle, seemingly dashing FC Dallas' hopes of returning to MLS Cup. However, fourth-year U.S. international Brek Shea, who had been used up front, in midfield and in defense has stepped up in the Colombian's place, scoring eight of his team-best nine goals since Ferreira's injury. An All-Star for the first time in his career, Shea leads MLS with five game-winning goals, including one against the Galaxy in May. Capable of popping up in a variety of different and dangerous spots on the field, the Galaxy defense will need to be aware of where the 21-year-old Texan is at all times. •



Doing it with Defense

In 2008, the LA Galaxy scored an MLS-best 55 goals, averaging nearly two goals a game during the regular season. It was the first time the Galaxy had scored more than 50 goals in a season since 2001 and should have set the club on their way to the MLS Cup Playoffs. Instead, the Galaxy finished tied with the re-born San Jose Earthquakes for the worst record in MLS, even registering a worse goal differential.

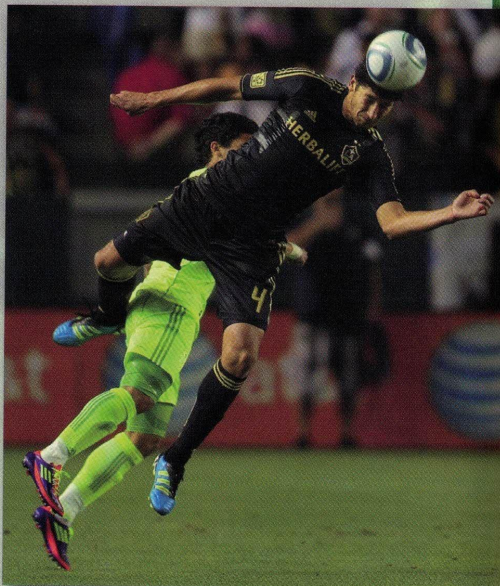
How did it all go so wrong that year? Defense.

Long a pillar of the club's success, the Galaxy allowed a club record 62 goals in 2008, keeping just two clean sheets and letting the club's three goalkeepers face nearly 400 shots and 200 shots on goal. But those numbers only begin to scratch the surface of the club's defensive frailties. Just seven times did they allow one goal or less, going 4-2-1 in those games. In the other 23 contests, they were 4-11-8 while allowing at least two goals in each, including a pair of 4-0 losses at Colorado to open the season and at FC Dallas.

Those days are now gone and while the club has not been able to match their attacking exploits from 2008, they continue to rack up the victories and the shutouts.

"Things have turned around tremendously," said defender Sean Franklin, who was named the MLS Rookie of the Year in 2008. "In my first year we gave up the most goals in the league, but every year since we have been amongst the best defenses in the league and we have not been giving up as many goals. I think that it shows our team's character and desire to defend."

Franklin is the lone defender still with the team from 2008 while goalkeeper Josh



Saunders has transformed from a late season loan signing (he went on to play in three games that year) to one of the most dependable keepers in the league. They have been joined by the likes of Donovan Ricketts, Gregg Berhalter, Omar Gonzalez, A.J. DeLaGarza, Todd Dunivant and a number of others who have transformed the Galaxy into one of the best defenses in the league, one that has kept 36 clean sheets in 83 regular season games over the last three years.

While the personnel has changed, most importantly, according to Franklin, is that the mentality has changed as well.

“Nobody wants to get scored on or lose games so everyone is working hard, working for each other,” he said. “Even when we are 3-0 up, none of us want to give up that late goal.



We want that shutout and I think that we've proven that over the last couple of years.

Prior to the 2009 season when the Galaxy reached their record sixth MLS Cup, the Galaxy had never kept more than 11 clean sheets in a single season. But that year LA gave up just 31 goals, exactly half their total from the

year before and a season-ending 2-0 win over San Jose at The Home Depot Center gave the Galaxy their record 12th shutout of the season. One year later, the Galaxy had nine shutouts in their first 12 games and eventually finished the year with 12, matching the record that they set the previous season while allowing a club record-low of 26 goals in 30 games.

This season, that defensive growth has continued with the Galaxy allowing just 16 goals in the first 23 games for the lowest goals allowed per game mark in the league while keeping their 12th clean sheet of the season in a 4-0 win over Vancouver. And not surprisingly, the Galaxy find themselves atop the Western Conference, just as they did in 2009 and 2010.

“We take a lot of pride in what we have been able to do defensively,” said Franklin, who has chipped in with two goals and an assist while being named an MLS All-Star this season. “I didn't know the exact numbers, but it has been a huge turn around. I was talking the other day with Bryan Jordan and we were talking about all of the games that we played our first year that finished 3-2, 4-1, 3-3 whatever it was. There were a lot of goals being scored. But now, we're winning games 1-0 or 2-0 and we are comfortable with that. We know that if we score a goal, we are going to have a good chance to win. That's where we start as a team, we don't want to allow teams to score on us and to have the numbers to back it up is a good feeling. It is something that we can continue to build upon.”

The old adage is that it takes defense to win championships. This season and over the past few years, the Galaxy are trying to prove that to be true. This year, it seems that they are beginning to see the fruits of those labors fully bloom. •

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AT 8PM**



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AT 7:30PM**

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AT 6PM**

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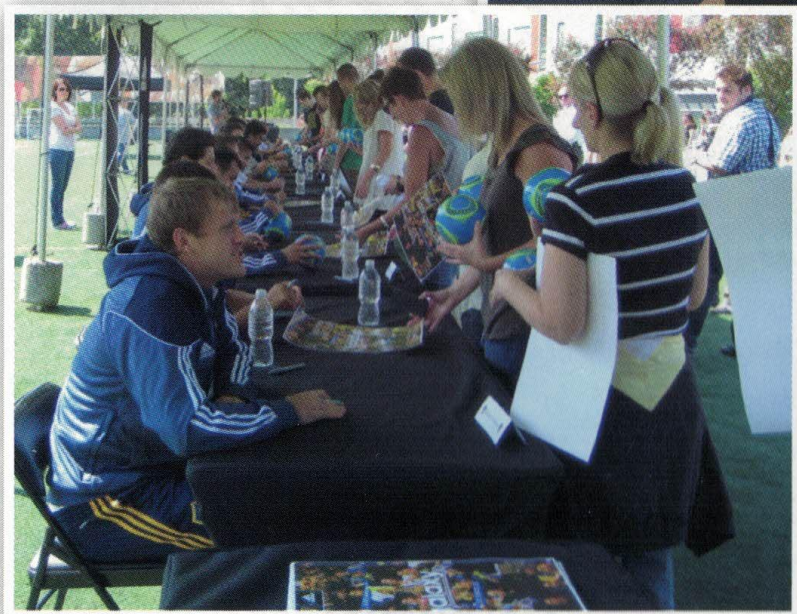
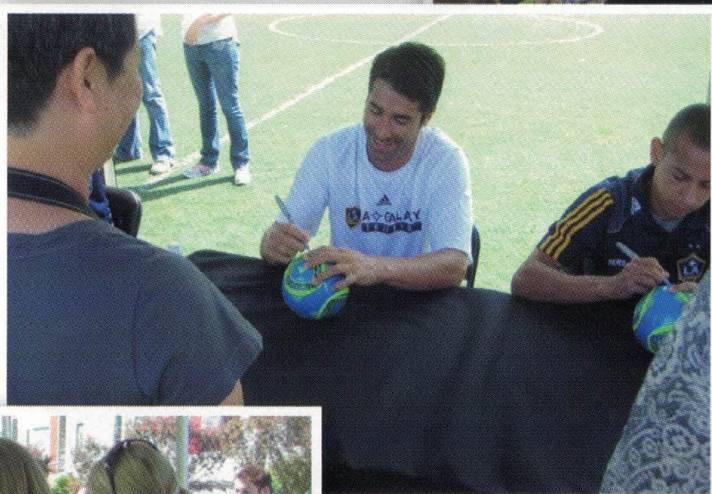
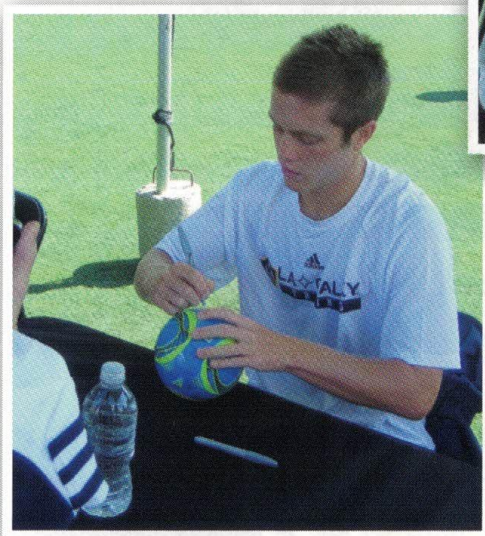
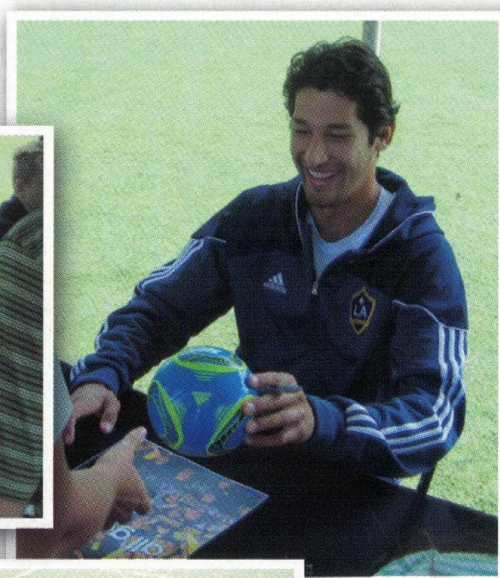
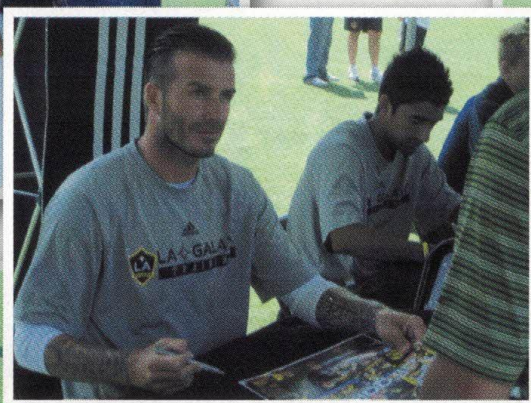
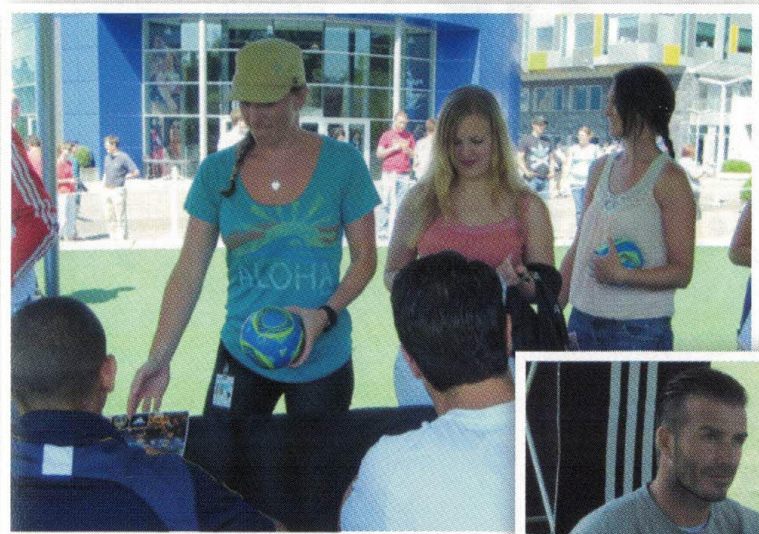


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Visiting the Village

ON AUGUST 2, the day before facing the Portland Timbers, the entire LA Galaxy squad journeyed out to the adidas Village in Portland, Ore. in order to meet some of the men and women who work for the company, sign some autographs and do some shopping. Here is a look behind the scenes of the club's autograph session for some lucky adidas employees.



Dan Keat

Fresh off a pair of impressive second half performances against Real Madrid and Manchester City, Galaxy rookie midfielder Dan Keat made his MLS debut, playing the final five minutes of the club's 4-0 win in Vancouver last weekend. A day later, Keat was back at Empire Field, playing the full 90 minutes in central defense as the Galaxy and Whitecaps played to a 2-2 draw in Reserve League play.

We caught up with the former New Zealand youth international to see what he thought of making his debut and settling into the squad.

How did it feel to come on against Vancouver and make your MLS debut?

"It's great. It was good to get time in the other two games, but these are the ones that really count so it's good to know that the coaches had the confidence to put me in for the end of a game. I didn't really have much time to do anything, but it gives me confidence going forward into the next stretch of games."

How much did it help to have the friendlies against Real Madrid and Manchester City in quick succession going into the game in Vancouver?

"I think those games were huge for my confidence. I went in, I was relaxed and I did well. If you can play against those teams then you will have the confidence that you can go out and perform in the league. For me, as a young player, it's just important to be consistent and hopefully I can get some more chances. But I will keep pushing on, working hard and making little improvements."

No player wants to be injured, but do you think that your heel injury in preseason may prove beneficial for you?

"I think that it might have been good for me. Coming off a tough college season and going straight into MLS would have been tough. But now I think that I am feeling the benefits of having a little time off. It took me a while to get my feet and build myself up to where I need to be to play at this level, but now I think that I'm seeing the benefits of that. It was difficult not being in the team environment as much, but I think that it was good for me to have a little break."

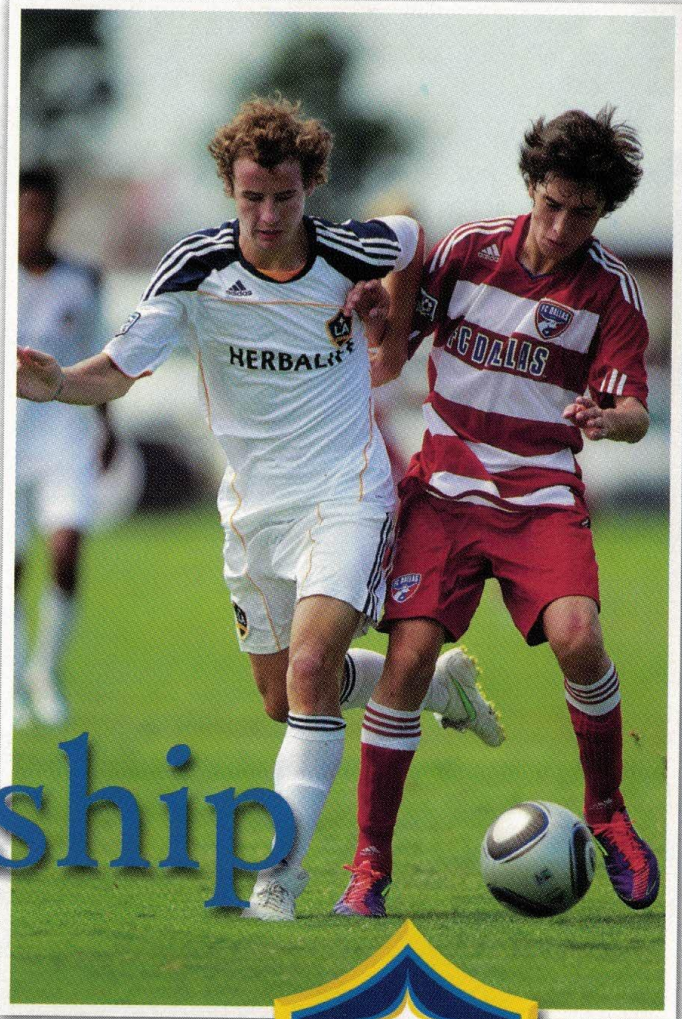
You're primarily a central midfielder, but you have also been forced to play in central defense with the reserves. Has that made things that much more difficult?

"It would be nice to play in my favorite position, the position I see myself going forward as in this league, but that's just not the case. If I can add another string to my bow by playing center back and helping the team out then I am willing to do that. It's a more mental side of the game playing at center back, but I think that I am smart enough to play there. It's an interesting learning curve and I'm still not there yet, but if I can help the team out by playing in there then I am glad to do so." •



The month of July was a fruitful one for the LA Galaxy Academy, bringing the club a pair of prestigious championships, first at the U-16 level and then with the U-17's. Just weeks after claiming the first Development Academy championship in the program's history, winning the U-16 Academy Championship in Milwaukee, Wis., a Galaxy U-17 team, featuring many of the same players that experienced success in Milwaukee won the Generation adidas Cup for the first time.

Just days after returning from the Development Academy Finals, the Galaxy began training at The Home Depot Center, under the direction of Kenny Arena, in preparation for the Generation adidas Cup at Pizza Hut Park in Frisco, Texas. Nearly half the 20-man squad that Arena would eventually take to Texas was made up of members of LA's championship winning U-16 team, while another five players had played in the U-17 World Cup in Mexico. The Galaxy also added two-time Development Academy U-16 Player of the Year, midfielder Raul Mendiola and defender Oscar Sorto, who helped local club Pateadores win this year's Development Academy's U-18 championship. With all of those players officially in the Galaxy Academy squad going forward, the future looks bright for Chris Klein's group.



Championship Success Continues

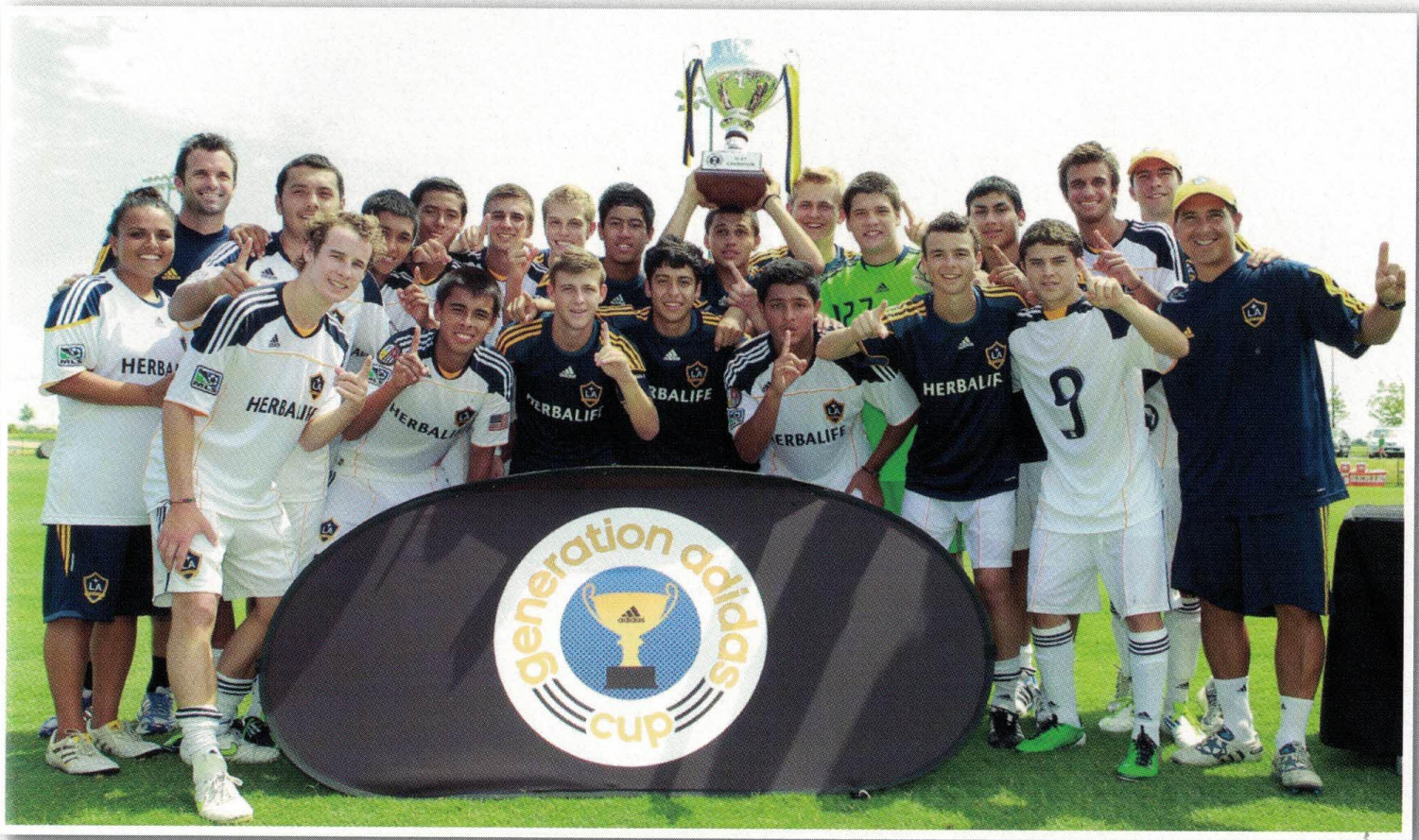


ACADEMY

That future began on July 25 with a convincing 5-1 win over the New York Red Bulls in LA's opening game of the tournament. Mario Rodriguez, one of four players that were on the U.S. squad at the U-17 World Cup, scored twice while Paul Arriola, Justin Dhillon and Matt Tilley each added goals. A 2-1 loss to Chicago the next day left the Galaxy tied for the top spot in Group D heading into the final round of games in group play.

Needing a win over Real Salt Lake, the defending tournament runners-up, to win the group and advance to the semifinals, the Galaxy got just that, winning 2-0. Arriola, another member of the U-17 National Team who recently joined the Galaxy Academy, scored again following what proved to be the game-winning goal from Sebastian Velasquez.

Velasquez, who scored the game-winner over Seattle to send the Galaxy to the Development Academy Final two weeks earlier, was not done there as he scored twice in the semi-final to lead the Galaxy to a 3-1 win over Chivas USA. Facing their Clasico rivals for the first time ever in this tournament, the Galaxy took a 2-0 halftime lead behind goals from

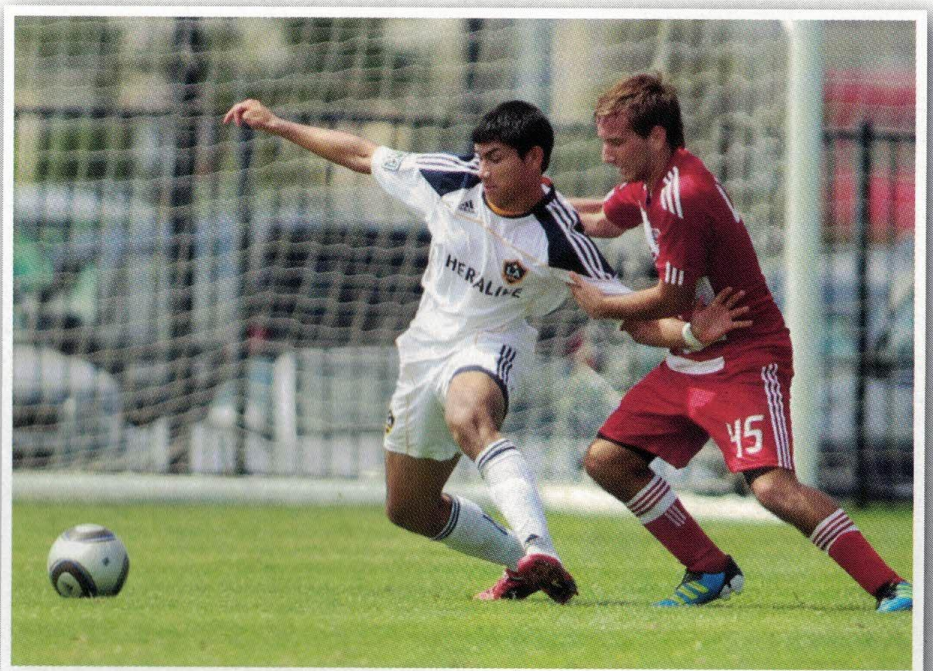


Velasquez and Esteban Rodriguez. Chivas USA pulled one back early in the second half, but Velasquez scored from the penalty spot late on to seal the win and give the Galaxy their first berth in the Final of the competition.

In the Final, the Galaxy faced tournament hosts FC Dallas, a team that featured U-17 World Cup winning goalkeeper Richard Sanchez. However, just as they had all tournament long, the Galaxy took an early lead and made it hold up, winning 2-0 to claim their second championship of the month. Sebastian Velasquez continued his fine form, tapping home his fourth goal of the tournament off a Raul Mendiola pass, giving his team a 1-0 lead. Goalkeeper Danny Slepukhin made that goal stand up and Mario Rodriguez added a second goal late on to seal the win for the Galaxy.

For the first time in the short history of the Generation adidas Cup (formerly the SUM U-17 Cup), U-15 teams were also included, with the Galaxy entering one of the eight teams in the competition. They opened the tournament with a 2-1 win over Houston before earning a point from a 4-4 draw with Seattle. Steve Martinez, who spent part of the season playing for the Galaxy U-16's, scored a hat trick in that game for LA while Miguel Lorenzo added a fourth.

However, in their third and final group game, the Galaxy fell 4-1 to the New York Red Bulls, leaving them to finish in third place in the group behind New York and Seattle. They rounded out their run in Texas with another 4-4 draw before beating the Columbus Crew on penalties, giving them a fifth place finish in the tournament. •



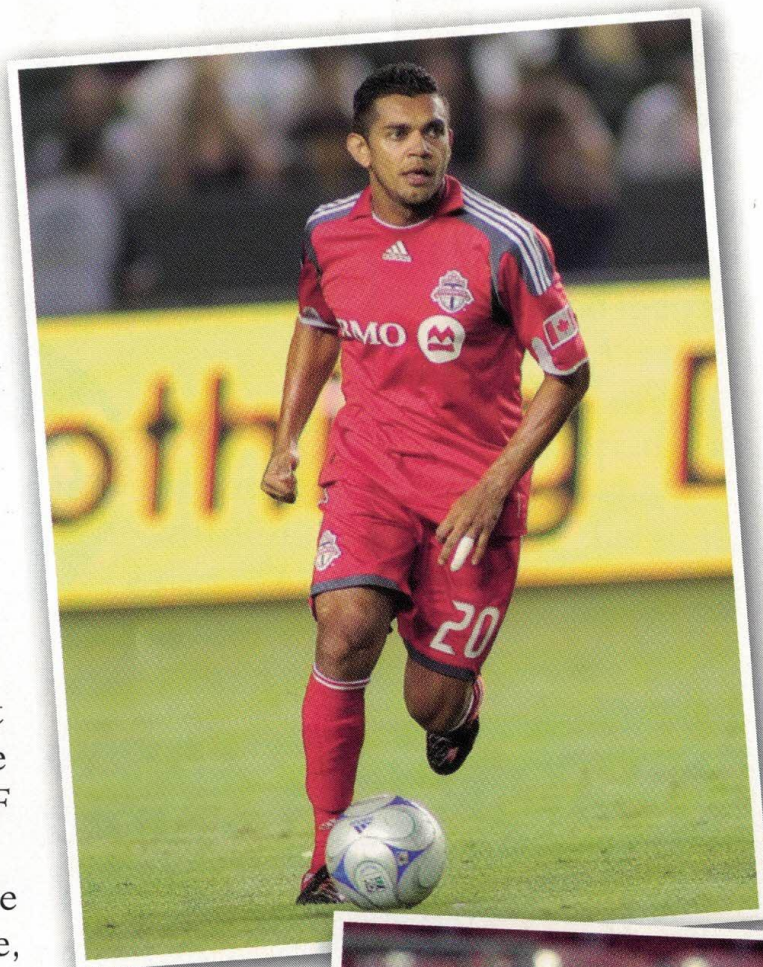
Champions League Awaits



Following tonight's game against FC Dallas, the LA Galaxy will not have another MLS game for exactly two weeks. However, the team will be anything but idle during that time as they prepare for the start of the CONCACAF Champions League.

In the Group Stage of the competition for the first time, the Galaxy, who won the 2000 CONCACAF Champions Cup, will open play in Group A at home against Club Motagua from Honduras. That game will be played on Tuesday, August 16 at The Home Depot Center with kickoff slated for 7 p.m. Motagua qualified for the group stage by easing past Guatemala's Municipal in their Preliminary Round series. The Hondurans comfortably won the 4-0 in the first leg with goals coming from former MLS All-Stars Amado Guevara and Ivan Guerrero as well as young Honduran international Jerry Bengtson.

The Galaxy and Motagua have met once before in the old format of the CONCACAF Champions Cup, with the Galaxy eliminating the Honduran side in the Round of 16 in the 2003 edition of the tournament, drawing 2-2 in Tegucigalpa be-



fore Alexi Lalas scored the only goal of the return leg at Titan Stadium in Fullerton, giving LA a 3-2 series win on aggregate.

Nine days after playing their first game of this year's competition, the Galaxy will play their second match of Group A, hosting LD Alajuelense, the champion of the 2010 Invierno and 2011 Verano in Costa Rica's Primera Division. That game will be played at The Home Depot Center on Thursday, August 25 with kick-off scheduled for 7 p.m.



Group A

LA Galaxy
Club Motagua
LD Alajuelense
Monarcos Morelia

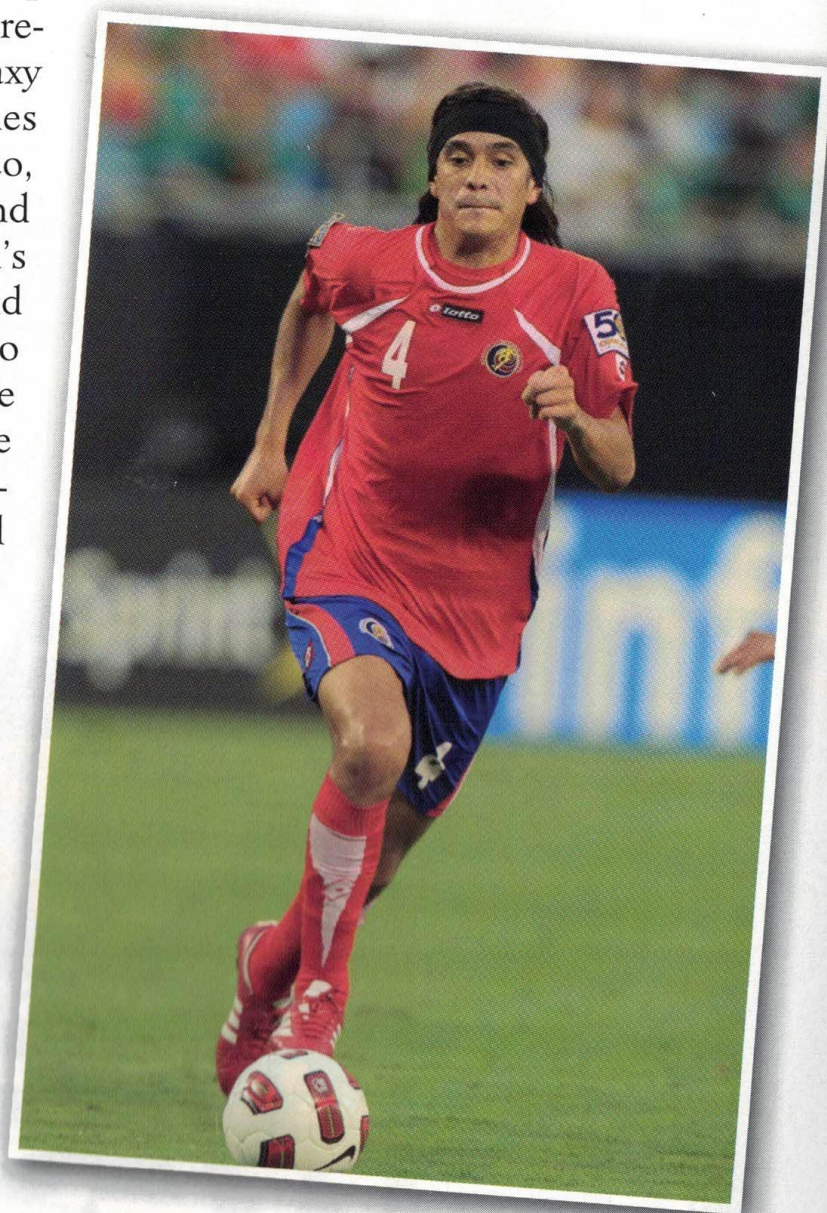
All teams will play a total of six games, facing each of the other three teams in the group twice (once at home, once away). The top two teams in the group will advance to the Championship Round, with the Quarterfinals beginning in early March.

One of the most successful and popular teams in Costa Rica, Alajuelense lost just five times in the 2010-11 Primera Division, defeating Herediano in the Invierno championship and then knocking off San Carlos for the Verano championship. They are led by several members of Costa Rica's national team, including defend-

ers Johnny Acosta, Allen Guevara and Jose Salvatierra, all of whom saw time in both the CONCACAF Gold Cup and CONMEBOL Copa America this summer, as well as midfielder Luis Miguel Valle, who was a part of Costa Rica's Copa America squad.

The complete schedule for the Group Stage of the Champions League will be released in the coming days with the Galaxy also scheduled to play a pair of games against Monarcos Morelia from Mexico, as well as their trips to Honduras and Costa Rica. Morelia eased past Haiti's Tempete FC in the Preliminary Round with both games being played in Mexico as Tempete's stadium in Port-au-Prince is still not fully repaired following the earthquake that struck the nation in January 2010. Jaime Lozano and Miguel Sabah, a pair of former Mexican internationals, led Morelia past Tempete and will now look to do the same in the Champions League while also making a push for a championship in the Mexican Apertura.

Be sure to check lagalaxy.com for all the latest news and ticketing information regarding the Galaxy and their quest to become the first MLS team ever to win the CONCACAF Champions League. •



UPCOMING EVENTS

The Galaxy are always active in the local community, hosting camps, clinics, community events and much more, as well as viewing parties for most Galaxy road games. Here is a quick look at some of the upcoming events that the club will be hosting.

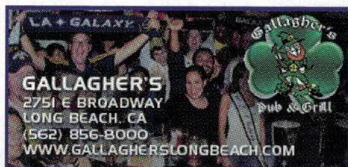
Upcoming Away Game Viewing Parties

Cheer the Galaxy on to victory with fellow Galaxy fans at an official Galaxy Away Game Viewing Party. Filled with numerous prize giveaways, autographed item raffles, food and drink specials, appearances by the Miss LA Galaxy Court, Galaxy Street Team and much more a Galaxy viewing party is a must for any Galaxy fan.

LA Galaxy at New York Red Bulls

Saturday, August 28

Viewing Party Starts at 3:30 p.m.



How Suite It is! presented by Gentleman Jack

Saturday, August 20 – 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Followed by LA Galaxy vs. San Jose Earthquakes
Come mix and mingle at The Home Depot Center for a good cause at the Los Angeles Galaxy Foundation and The Home Depot Center Charitable Foundation's fifth annual How Suite It Is!, presented by Gentleman Jack. A night of soccer, music, food, wine and champagne, How Suite It Is! will also feature a Gentleman Jack tasting and Herradura tequila "Galaxy Blue" cocktails. All attendees will also receive a special private performance from Tennman, exclusive gift bags and a mystery envelope drawing.

Tickets to the event cost \$100 while a limited number of VIP tickets, which include a ticket to the game, the chance to watch pregame warmups from the field and an exclusive postgame meet and greet with select Galaxy players, are available for \$150. Be sure to visit lagalaxy.com/howsuiteitis to purchase tickets or for more information.



Galaxy Drive Series – Food Drive

LA Galaxy vs. Vancouver Whitecaps FC - Saturday, September 17

As part of Hunger Action Month, the Galaxy will ask fans to donate non-perishable, food items such as canned vegetables, peanut butter, canned meats (i.e. tuna, chicken, spam), canned fruits and spaghetti to benefit the Los Angeles Regional Foodbank.

Collection booths will be set up outside of all gates at The Home Depot Center starting two hours prior to the game. All fans that donate school supplies will receive a Galaxy Drive Series voucher good for \$5 off a ticket for select games and be entered into a drawing to win a soccer ball signed by the 2011 Galaxy.

Galaxy Street Team Driven by Chevrolet

The Galaxy Street Team Driven by Chevrolet can be found throughout the Southland over the coming weeks, rallying support for the Galaxy. The Street Team will bring all the excitement of the game of soccer to you with a series of entertaining and interactive exhibits, games and much more.

For a complete list of events or to request an appearance, please visit www.lagalaxy.com/galaxy-street-team.

Galaxy Street Team Driven by Chevrolet dates:

Wed., Aug. 10

Long Beach Poly Soccer Camp
Long Beach, Calif.



Sat., Aug 13

Dream Center
2301 Bellvue Ave. – Los Angeles, Calif.

Sun., Aug. 14

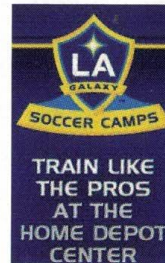
FC Long Beach Invitational
Long Beach, Calif.

Tues., Aug. 16

Kicks for Kids Camp
The Home Depot Center - Carson, Calif.

Galaxy Camps

Summer vacation is in full swing and there is no better way for young soccer players to spend the break than by participating in any of the camps that the Galaxy will run all summer long at The Home Depot Center. Most programs include professional instruction from LA Galaxy Academy and former Galaxy players and coaches to enhance your opportunity to play at a higher level, guest instruction/autograph session with a LA Galaxy players and much more. Campers will also receive an official LA Galaxy Camp ball, an official LA Galaxy Camp t-shirt, tickets to an LA Galaxy regular season home match with other camp participants and discount offers on LA Galaxy ticket packages.



Here is a look at some of the Galaxy Camps that are coming up.

Striker & Goalkeeper Camp

Who: 8-16 year old boys & girls (intermediate to competitive level)

When: August 17-20

Where: The Home Depot Center

Cost: \$545

Full Day Camp

Who: 8-16 year old boys & girls (intermediate - competitive level)

When: 9 a.m.-3 p.m. August 8-11

Where: The Home Depot Center

Cost: \$385 per person

Junior Kickers

Who: 7-14 year old boys & girls (beginner – intermediate level)

When: 9 a.m.-noon August 8-11

Where: The Home Depot Center

Cost: \$195 per person

Little Kickers

Who: 5 & 6 year old boys & girls (beginner's)

When: 9 a.m.-10:30 a.m. August 8-11

Where: The Home Depot Center

Cost: \$100 per person

To Register go to www.lagalaxy.com/youth-soccer-home
For more information on the Galaxy soccer camps please call the Director of Soccer Camps/Special Projects, Blane Shepard at 310-630-2227 or bshepard@lagalaxy.com.

The Vancouver Whitecaps FC were the final team for the Galaxy to face this season, having played the other 16 MLS teams before beating the Whitecaps 4-0 on July 30 at Empire Field. This season, the Galaxy were 10-2-5 in their first game against a team, keeping a clean sheet in nine of those games.

The Whitecaps were the 20th different MLS team that Landon Donovan has played against in MLS. In his first game against those 20 teams, he now has seven goals and 10 assists, including two goals and an assist in his first game against both Portland and Vancouver this year.

David Beckham was suspended for the 4-0 win at Vancouver because of yellow card accumulation. That was the fourth game in his MLS career that Beckham has missed because of suspension. The Galaxy are now 3-1-0 in those games, beating Chicago 2-1 earlier this year at Toyota Park, defeating the Fire 2-0 on the road in 2009 and losing 3-0 at Houston in 2008 in addition to last week's win over the Whitecaps.

The game in Vancouver was the sixth time the Galaxy have played a regular season game in Canada. They are now 2-1-3 in those matches, with each of the first five coming against Toronto FC at BMO Field. The Galaxy have allowed just three goals in those six games, keeping four clean sheet.



After failing to score in his first 85 MLS regular season games, Sean Franklin tallied in consecutive games, scoring in the 1-0 win over Columbus on July 20 and again in the 4-0 win over Vancouver on July 30.

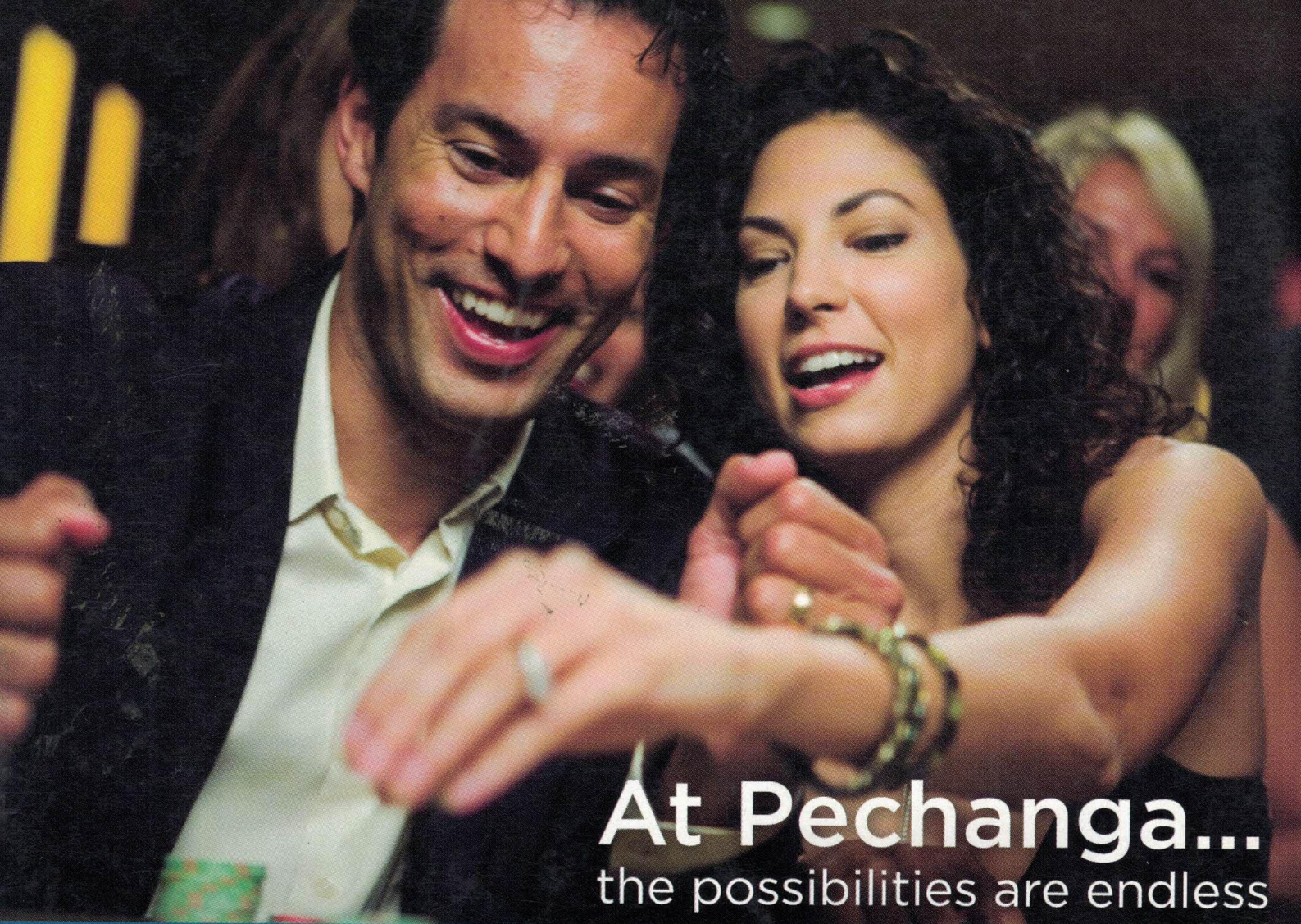
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Adam Cristman scored his first MLS goal in a Galaxy uniform against the Whitecaps. With that goal, he became the 12th different Galaxy player to score a regular season goal. One of the club's top scorers in the preseason, Cristman has scored five times in all competitions since the start of the regular season, scoring twice in the Reserve League, once in MLS regular season play, once in the U.S. Open Cup, tallying in the Quarterfinal loss to Seattle while also scoring in the friendly against Real Madrid.

FAST FACTS

Jovan Kirovski played the 100th regular season game of his Galaxy career in the 1-0 win over Columbus on July 20. He is the 17th player to play in 100 regular season games for the club and the second to achieve the feat this season. Todd Dunivant played the 100th game of his Galaxy career on March 26 in the 4-1 loss at Real Salt Lake.

With a win or a draw tonight, the Galaxy will avoid being swept in the season series by FC Dallas. The Galaxy were last swept in a regular season series in 2008 when they lost both of their games against Chicago and Toronto FC. Since then, the Galaxy have swept 12 regular season series, beating Chicago, New England, New York and Toronto FC twice in 2009, beating Chivas USA, Columbus, D.C. United FC Dallas, Houston, Philadelphia and Seattle twice last year before sweeping Chicago this season. •



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