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MATCH STATS – GALAXY

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MATCH STATS – REAL SALT LAKE

	ON	OFF
SUB 1:		
SUB 2:		
SUB 3:		

YELLOW:

RED:

GOALSCORERS:

MATCH RESULT

HT SCORE:

FT SCORE:

NOTES:

LA GALAXY

Head Coach: Bruce Arena

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<input type="checkbox"/>	1 Donovan Ricketts	GK
<input type="checkbox"/>	2 Todd Dunivant	D
<input type="checkbox"/>	3 Gregg Berhalter	D
<input type="checkbox"/>	4 Omar González	D
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<input type="checkbox"/>	6 Frankie Hejduk	D
<input type="checkbox"/>	7 Jovan Kirovski	M
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<input type="checkbox"/>	10 Landon Donovan	M
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<input type="checkbox"/>	18 Mike Magee	F
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<input type="checkbox"/>	20 A.J. DeLaGarza	D
<input type="checkbox"/>	21 Dustin McCarty	M
<input type="checkbox"/>	22 Leonardo	D
<input type="checkbox"/>	23 David Beckham	M
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<input type="checkbox"/>	26 Michael Stephens	M
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<input type="checkbox"/>	30 Paolo Cardozo	M
<input type="checkbox"/>	32 Jack McBean	F
<input type="checkbox"/>	33 Sean Alvarado	D

REAL SALT LAKE

Head Coach: Jason Kreis

#	Player	Pos.
<input type="checkbox"/>	1 Tim Melia	GK
<input type="checkbox"/>	2 Tony Beltran	D
<input type="checkbox"/>	3 Robbie Russell	D
<input type="checkbox"/>	4 Jamison Olave	D
<input type="checkbox"/>	5 Kyle Beckerman	M
<input type="checkbox"/>	6 Nat Borchers	D
<input type="checkbox"/>	7 Fabian Espindola	F
<input type="checkbox"/>	8 Will Johnson	M
<input type="checkbox"/>	10 Arturo Alvarez	M
<input type="checkbox"/>	11 Javier Morales	M
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<input type="checkbox"/>	15 Alvaro Saborio	F
<input type="checkbox"/>	16 Nico Muniz	M
<input type="checkbox"/>	17 Chris Wingert	D
<input type="checkbox"/>	18 Nick Rimando	GK
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<input type="checkbox"/>	20 Ned Grabavoy	M
<input type="checkbox"/>	21 Luis Gil	M
<input type="checkbox"/>	22 Nelson Gonzalez	M
<input type="checkbox"/>	23 Paulo Araujo Jr.	F
<input type="checkbox"/>	24 Kyle Reynish	GK
<input type="checkbox"/>	25 Donny Toia	F
<input type="checkbox"/>	26 Collen Warner	M
<input type="checkbox"/>	27 Cody Arnoux	F
<input type="checkbox"/>	28 Chris Schuler	D
<input type="checkbox"/>	30 Rauwshan McKenzie	D
<input type="checkbox"/>	77 Andy Williams	M



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Dear Supporters:

Welcome to Fan Appreciation Night here at The Home Depot Center! As a team and organization, we are extremely fortunate to have the incredibly passionate and dedicated fan base that we do. Your support has helped us to establish a great home field advantage, and build a team that we believe can challenge to win the MLS Cup. Thank you for all your support!

Over the past month, our team has been challenged with an extraordinarily hectic schedule. We have traveled extensively and faced some incredible opposition in both MLS and the CONCACAF Champions League. To date, we are positioned to win the Supporters' Shield and advance out of group play in the Champions League. These are goals that we set as a team at the start of the year, so it is very rewarding to be in a position to accomplish both.

Tonight, we face an extremely talented team in Real Salt Lake. RSL is one of the top teams in MLS and is very balanced at both ends of the field. Goalkeeper Nick Rimando and central defenders Nat Borchers and Jamison Olave are among the best in MLS. Additionally, forwards Alvaro Saborio and Fabian Espindola are outstanding forwards that play well off one another. They will test our defenders for 90 minutes.

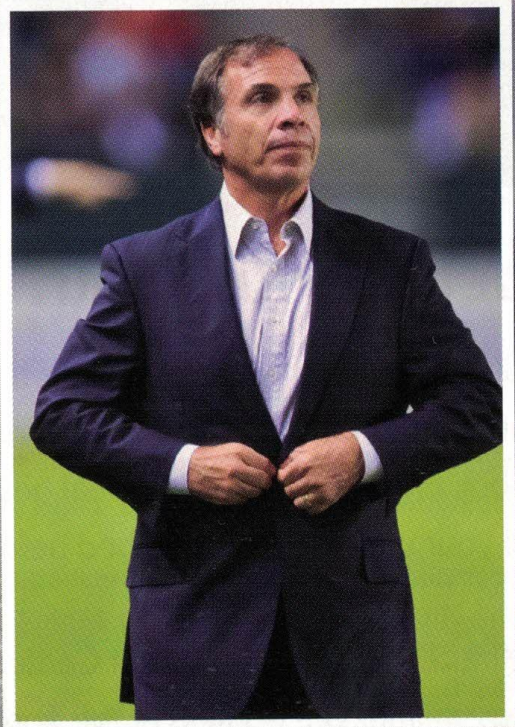
Salt Lake have lost each of their last two games, losing by a combined six goals meaning that they will be highly motivated to reverse this trend. They will be without their captain in Kyle Beckerman, but regardless, I expect a very intense game.

As for our team, we have been truly tested throughout the 2011 season, and tonight will be no different. We continue to deal with injuries to key players. However, we've established some quality depth in our roster over the past couple of months and it is likely we will see some new faces on the field this evening.

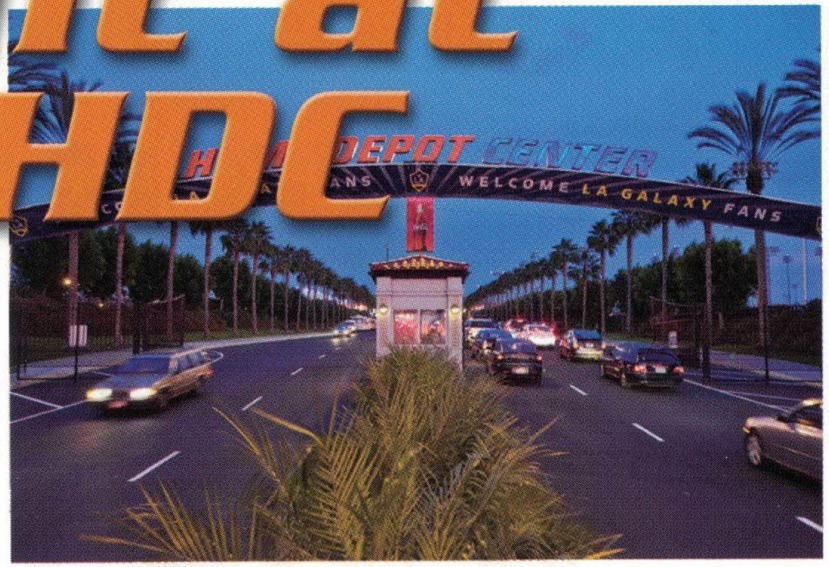
The good news is that our team has been successful, no matter who has been on the field. Tonight, I hope to return David Beckham and Robbie Keane to the starting lineup to join the likes of Landon Donovan, Paolo Cardozo, Juninho, Omar Gonzalez, A.J. DeLaGarza, Todd Dunivant, Josh Saunders and others.

As you know, a win tonight would virtually guarantee that we would win the Supporters' Shield once again. Your vocal support means a lot to our team so let's hear you for all 90 minutes tonight. You're the best fans in MLS and on behalf of the entire club, I say thank you.

Bruce Arena



Tonight at The HDC



WELCOME TO FAN APPRECIATION NIGHT at The Home Depot Center as we look to hopefully clinch the Supporters' Shield with a win over tonight's opponent, Real Salt Lake. In addition to the game on the field, which will see our club look to remain unbeaten at home, 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.

Also, be sure to turn to page 34 for the complete list of the grand prizes available as a part of Fan Appreciation Night, as well as the schedule for tonight's Miss LA Galaxy 2012 contest.

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, sweat-shirts, hats, collectibles and much more, including the Galaxy's new third jersey. 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.

At tonight's game all Galaxy merchandise will be 40% off when purchased at the Team LA store here at 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.

Galaxy Futboleros

6:30 p.m. – SoccerFest

The Galaxy Futboleros are back, continuing to entertain 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. 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.

Twenty Years in the Making

The Galaxy would like to congratulate Chino Hills AYSO for 20 fantastic years of youth soccer in Chino Hills.



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.

Visit Fan Headquarters

Stop by Fan Headquarters inside SoccerFest for giveaways, a new video, player autographs and more. Fan Headquarters is open the entire game on the Southwest Concourse. Are you ready? •

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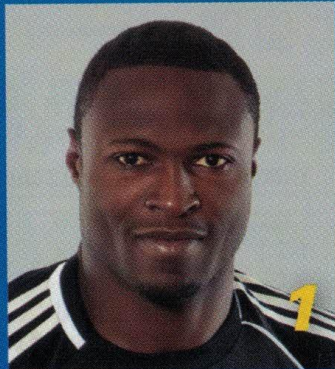
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2011 SCHEDULE

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	0-3 L	—
Sat.	August 6	vs. FC Dallas	3-1 W	Gonzalez, Juninho, Magee
Tues.	August 16	vs. Club Motagua	2-0 W	Cristman, Donovan
<i>CONCACAF Champions League – Group A – Round 1</i>				
Sat.	August 20	vs. San Jose Earthquakes	2-0 W	Keane, Magee
Thur.	August 25	vs. LD Alajuelense	2-0 W	Gonzalez, Magee
<i>CONCACAF Champions League – Group A – Round 2</i>				
Mon.	September 5	at Sporting Kansas City	2-2 T	Franklin (2)
Fri.	September 9	vs. Colorado Rapids	1-0 W	Donovan
Tues.	September 13	at Monarcas Morelia	1-2 L	Keane
<i>CONCACAF Champions League – Group A – Week 3</i>				
Sat.	September 17	vs. Vancouver Whitecaps FC	3-0 W	Magee (2), Keane
Wed.	September 21	at LD Alajuelense	0-1 L	—
<i>CONCACAF Champions League – Group A – Week 4</i>				
Sat.	September 24	at Columbus Crew	1-0 W	Barrett
Wed.	September 28	vs. Monarcas Morelia	2-1 W	Magee, Juninho
<i>CONCACAF Champions League – Group A – Week 5</i>				
Sat.	October 1	vs. Real Salt Lake	7:30 p.m.	FOX Sports West
Tues.	October 4	at New York Red Bulls	5 p.m.	ESPN2/ESPN Deportes*
Sun.	October 16	vs. Chivas USA	6 p.m.	ESPN/ESPN Deportes
Thur.	October 20	at Club Motagua	7 p.m.	FOX Soccer
<i>CONCACAF Champions League – Group A – Week 6</i>				
Sun.	October 23	at Houston Dynamo	4 p.m.	FOX Sports West/Galavision
Sun.	November 20	MLS Cup 2011	6 p.m.	ESPN/Galavision
<i>Eastern Conference Champion vs. Western Conference Champion at The Home Depot Center</i>				

All Times Pacific * Rescheduled from Sunday, August 28 because of Hurricane Irene

2011 LA



Donovan Ricketts GK
Montego Bay, Jamaica



Todd Dunivant DEF
Wheat Ridge, Colo.



Gregg Berhalter DEF
Tenafly, N.J.



Jovan Kirovski MID
Escondido, Calif.



Chris Birchall MID
Stafford, England



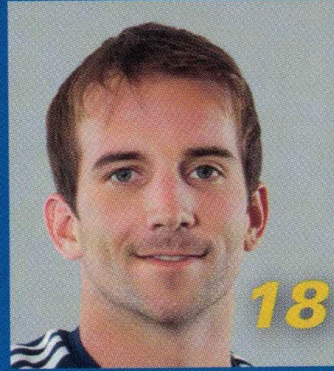
Landon Donovan MID
Redlands, Calif.



Chad Barrett FWD
Beaverton, Ore.



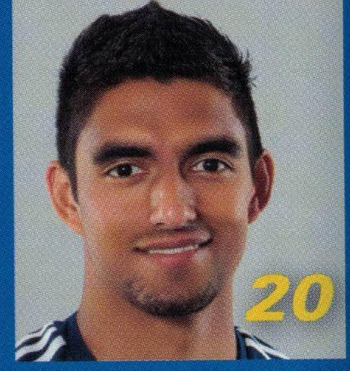
Adam Cristman FWD
Glen Allen, Va.



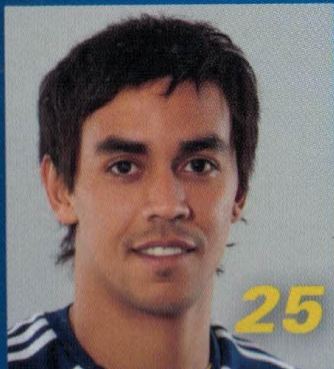
Mike Magee FWD
Chicago, Ill.



Juninho MID
San Jose dos Campos, Brazil



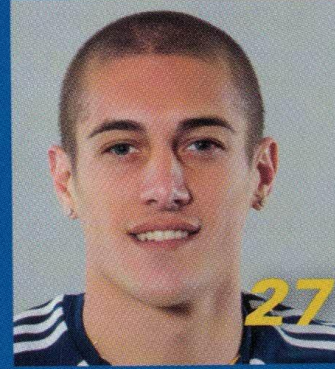
A.J. DeLaGarza DEF
Bryans Road, Md.



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.



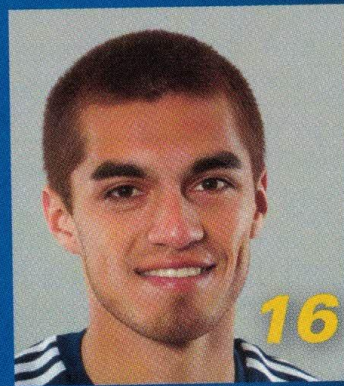
Josh Saunders GK
Lake Forest, Calif.



Robbie Keane FWD
Dublin, Ireland



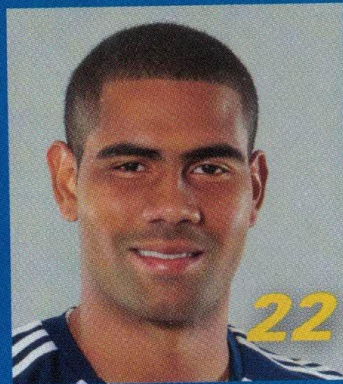
Dan Keat MID
Wellington, New Zealand



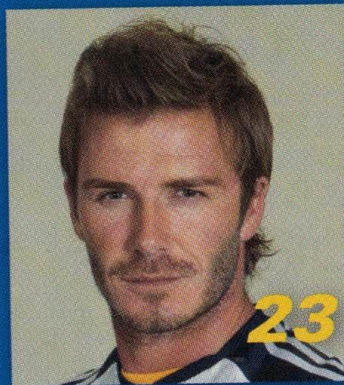
Hector Jimenez MID
Bell Gardens, Calif.



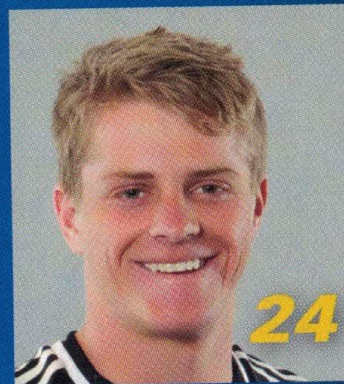
Dustin McCarty MID
Maitland, Fla.



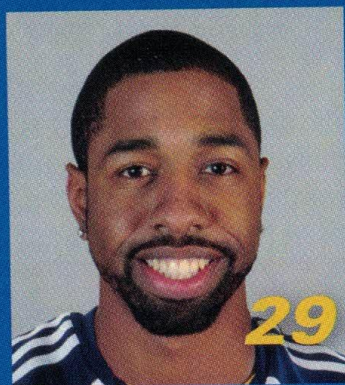
Leonardo DEF
Sao Paulo, Brazil



David Beckham MID
London, England



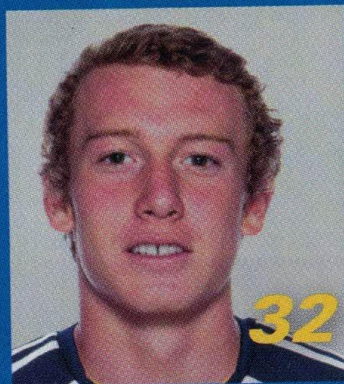
Brian Perk GK
Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.



Dasan Robinson DEF
Evanston, Ill.



Paolo Cardozo MID
Montevideo, Uruguay



Jack McBean FWD
Newport Beach, Calif.



Sean Alvarado DEF
West Orange, N.J.

LA GALAXY'S LAST GAME

LA Galaxy 2, Monarcas Morelia 1
CONCACAF Champions League – Week 5
Wednesday, September 28, 2011
The Home Depot Center – Carson, Calif.



The Galaxy's CONCACAF Champions League dreams stayed alive on Wednesday night as the club grabbed a thrilling 2-1 win over Morelia at The Home Depot Center. In a game that Todd Dunivant described as "poetic justice" following the result two weeks earlier in Mexico, the Galaxy got a dramatic winner from Juninho in the first minute of second half stoppage time to give his team the three points that they needed in order to stay alive.

Playing without the suspended David Beckham and injured Robbie Keane, Mike Magee put the home fans at ease following a tense opening 20 minutes with his first goal of the tournament in the 21st minute. Magee, who now has seven goals in all competitions this year, got on the end of a clipped pass from Todd Dunivant and pushed a shot past Morelia goalkeeper Federico Vilar from the corner of the six yard box, giving LA a 1-0 lead.

That lead would hold up through halftime but the visitors would equalize on the hour mark when Rafael Marquez Lugo reacted quickest to an errant Bryan Jordan clearance before poking the ball past the on-rushing Josh Saunders and then into the net, tying the score at 1-1 with 30 minutes still to play.

A draw would not have done much good for the Galaxy so they committed numbers forward into the attack, only to nearly be caught out on the counter. Damian Manso rattled the crossbar with a left-footed effort and Aldo Ramirez went close to putting Morelia ahead, but the score remained tied at 1-1.

It was still that way as the game entered stoppage time, but after being robbed of a win in Mexico, the Galaxy assured that there would be no injustice this time. Landon Donovan whipped a corner kick into the box and second half substitute Chad Barrett, who had won a game for the Galaxy just days earlier with a stoppage time goal in Columbus, flicked the ball into the path of Juninho, who was able to hit a first time shot past Vilar, just inside his left post from eight yards out, giving the Galaxy a 2-1 win and send the home side and fans into hysterics.

With the win, the Galaxy are now a perfect 3-0-0 at home in the Champions League. They will now travel to Honduras to face Motagua on Thursday, October 20, knowing that a win that day, would see them through to the quarterfinals, though they could also get through with a draw against Motagua, who is in last place in the group with an 0-5-0 record, including a 2-0 loss to LA at The Home Depot Center on August 16, along with a favorable result in the game between group leaders Alajuelense (12 points) and Morelia (tied with LA on nine points) in their match in Mexico on October 18.

Scoring Summary:

LA – Mike Magee 1 (Todd Dunivant 1) 21'
MOR – Rafael Marquez Lugo 3 (Unassisted) 60'
LA – Juninho 1 (Chad Barrett 1) 91+

Misconduct Summary:

MOR – Diego Jimenez (Yellow Card) 55'
LA – A.J. DeLaGarza (Yellow Card) 67'
LA – Paolo Cardozo (Yellow Card) 70'

Lineups:

LA Galaxy: Josh Saunders; Frankie Hejduk (Hector Jimenez 72'), A.J. DeLaGarza, Omar Gonzalez, Todd Dunivant; Juninho, Michael Stephens, Landon Donovan©, Mike Magee (Bryan Jordan 46'); Paolo Cardozo, Adam Cristman (Chad Barrett 68').

Subs Not Used: Brian Perk, Jovan Kirovski, Dan Keat, Miguel Lopez.

Monarcas Morelia: Federico Vilar©; Enrique Perez, Diego Jimenez, Felipe Ayala (Aldo Ramirez 64'), Marvin Cabrera; Yasser Corona, Luis Miguel Noriega (Adrian Aldrete 53'), Manuel Perez, Damian Manso; Angel Sepulveda, Rafael Marquez Lugo (Miguel Sabah 63').

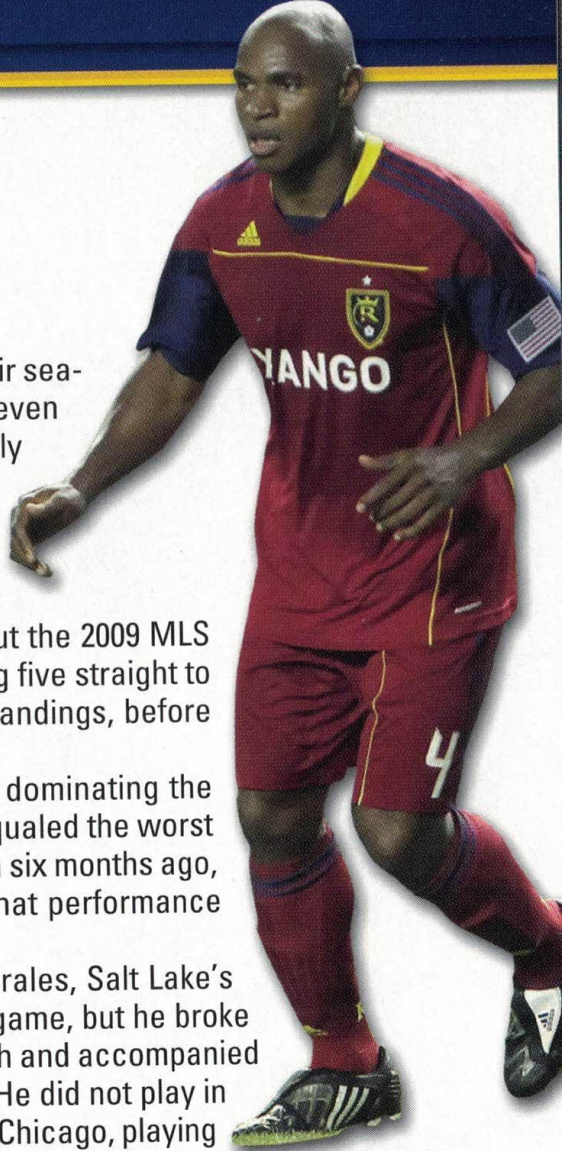
Subs Not Used: Felipe Rodriguez, Joel Huiqui, Luis Alonso Sandoval, Edgar Lugo.

Referee: Joel Aguilar (SLV)

Referee's Assistants: William Torres (SLV) and Octavio Jara (CRC) **4th Official:** Ruben Medrano (SLV)



TONIGHT'S OPPONENT REAL SALT LAKE



Real Salt Lake arrive to The Home Depot Center at the crossroads of their season, having lost each of their last two games and giving up a total of seven goals in the process. One of the hottest teams in the league as recently as the middle of last month, RSL now find themselves closer to the chasing wild card pack than they do the Galaxy at the top of the table.

Jason Kreis' side got off to a hot start this season while also making a run to the Finals of the 2010-11 CONCACAF Champions League, but a heart-breaking loss to Monterrey kick started a mid-summer lull for the club. But the 2009 MLS Cup champions caught fire once again in the late summer months, winning five straight to jump up to a second place tie with Seattle in the Western Conference standings, before falling back off the pace with their two recent defeats.

These two sides met earlier this year at Rio Tinto Stadium with RSL dominating the match from the opening whistle en route to a convincing 4-1 win, which equaled the worst loss for the Galaxy in the Bruce Arena era. While that game was more than six months ago, the result still lingers in LA's mind and the players would love to prove that performance was strictly an aberration.

The primary source of trouble for the Galaxy that day was Javier Morales, Salt Lake's Argentine midfield maestro. Morales had two goals and an assist in that game, but he broke his ankle against Chivas USA in late May. He returned to training last month and accompanied the team for their recent game East Coast road trip to New York and D.C. He did not play in either of those games, but he was back on the field on Wednesday against Chicago, playing the final 30 minutes of the 3-0 loss.

Even with Morales missing much of the season, Real Salt Lake still have one of the best midfields in MLS with Will Johnson and Andy Williams playing on the outside of their four-man midfield diamond and MLS MVP candidate Kyle Beckerman sitting deep in front of the back four. That trio has been accompanied by a rotating series of players since Morales went down including former Galaxy midfielder Ned Grabavoy, Garden Grove, Calif. teenager Luis Gil, Arturo Alvarez and the recently acquired Yordany Alvarez. However, they will need to make another change there tonight as Beckerman is suspended after lashing out against the Fire's Daniel Paladini just 10 minutes into Wednesday's game, earning a straight red card.

Up front, Fabian Espindola and Alvaro Saborio continue to be the first-choice partnership for Salt Lake, combining for 19 goals on the year, though Paulo Jr., who scored his first career goal in MLS against LA back in March, has seen some time since returning from injury in August.

Despite having allowed seven goals in their last two games, the secret to Real Salt Lake's success lies with their defense. Goalkeeper Nick Rimando is once again having an All-Star caliber season while the central defense pairing of Nat Borchers and Jamison Olave has not missed a beat after each being finalists (along with Omar Gonzalez) for the MLS Defender of the Year award in 2010. On the outside, Robbie Russell continues to log significant while Chris Schuler and Blake Wagner have each been used in place of the injured Tony Beltran and Chris Wingert, though Wingert returned to action last weekend in the loss to United.

At the start of the season, many looked at tonight's game as being a potential Western Conference decider and after seven months of the regular season, those people have been proven to be correct. The Supporters' Shield is on the line and could end up returning to Southern California with a Galaxy win tonight.

Real Salt Lake Expected Lineup (4-4-2)

Nick Rimando; Chris Schuler, Nat Borchers, Jamison Olave, Robbie Russell; Ned Grabavoy, Will Johnson, Andy Williams, Luis Gil; Alvaro Saborio, Fabian Espindola.

Key Man: Jamison Olave

With Kyle Beckerman suspended and unable to play in his typical holding role in front of the back four, Real Salt Lake will need to start their attacks from a slightly deeper position on the field. As a result, Jamison Olave's role in the center of the RSL defense will become that much more important. Already one of the top center backs in the league with his pace, power, positioning and aerial ability, Olave will now also be tasked with distributing the ball through his team's midfield to start their counterattacks. Always at his best when facing the Galaxy, Olave will need to produce another fine performance if he is going to help his team get a win and stay alive in the Supporters' Shield race. •

Two weeks ago when the Galaxy played their last league game at home, they sat seven points clear of Seattle at the top of the MLS standings, while FC Dallas were in the mix just nine points back while Real Salt Lake was 12 points adrift, though they had two games in hand. It appeared that there was work still to be done, especially with LA also battling for a berth in the next round of the CONCACAF Champions League, further congesting an already packed schedule.

However, given LA's dramatic late win in Columbus thanks to Josh Saunders' second half heroics (with a tip of the cap to Michael Stephens and his goalline clearance) and Chad Barrett's game-winning goal in stoppage time, the Galaxy are no on the verge of becoming the third team to repeat at Supporters' Shield winners.

A Galaxy win or draw tonight will eliminate Real Salt Lake from the Supporters' Shield picture while a win combined with a Seattle loss or draw in New England earlier today would

Race for the Supporters' Shield

clinch a fourth Supporters' Shield for LA, tying the club with D.C. United for the most in league history.

But while they could clinch the Shield tonight, nothing is assured until the final whistle blows. A draw would leave LA at most four points

away from clinching the Shield while a loss would likely mean that the top playoff spot would not be decided until the final days of the regular season.

After tonight's game, both the Galaxy and Real Salt Lake have three games remaining, with LA travelling to New York and Houston with a home game against Chivas USA squeezed between the two. Real Salt Lake on the other hand will travel to Vancouver for the second game the Whitecaps new home, BC Place, while also visiting Colorado in the second leg of the annual Rocky Mountain Cup before ending the regular season by hosting a Portland team that could be battling for their playoff lives.

Seattle also have three games left and will end the season by hosting Philadelphia and San Jose before travelling to The Home Depot Center to face Chivas USA to close out the year. They also have a pair of non-league games added into the mix, starting with the U.S. Open Cup Final next week against Chicago and their final game in Group D of the CONCACAF Champions League against Monterrey, though both of those games are at home.

The Galaxy can reach a maximum of 73 points this season, which would be five more than the MLS-record

of 68 that they set in 1998. No other team can reach that record point total, though both Seattle and Salt Lake can reach 60

points, a plateau that the Galaxy reached last week in Columbus and that only two teams had ever reached previously in MLS history.

Check below for the current Supporters' Shield standings and the remaining schedule for the three teams that remain in the race for the Supporters' Shield. •

Team	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	GD	PTS.
LA Galaxy	30	17	3	10	44	22	+22	61
Seattle Sounders FC	30	15	6	9	49	32	+17	54
Real Salt Lake	29	15	8	6	42	27	+15	51

Remaining Schedule for Supporters' Shield Contenders (All times Pacific)

LA Galaxy

Oct. 4 at New York – 5 p.m.
 Oct. 16 vs. Chivas USA – 6 p.m.
 Oct. 23 at Houston – 4 p.m.

Seattle Sounders FC

Oct. 8 vs. Philadelphia – 7 p.m.
 Oct. 15 vs. San Jose – 7:30 p.m.
 Oct. 22 at Chivas USA – 7:30 p.m.

Real Salt Lake

Oct. 6 at Vancouver – 6:30 p.m.
 Oct. 14 at Colorado – 7:30 p.m.
 Oct. 22 vs. Portland – 6 p.m.

The Galaxy are currently enjoying one of the best seasons in MLS history and are on the brink of winning the Supporters' Shield for the second consecutive season. One of the primary reasons for the club's success this season has been the play of midfielder David Beckham.

Now in his fifth season with the Galaxy, Beckham has starred in his central midfield role, orchestrating the LA attack while continuing to prove that he is one of the world's best when it comes to set pieces. His 14 assists this year are an MLS-career high for the 36-year-old and tied for the most in the league heading into the final month of the season. Were it not for a nagging back injury which has forced him to miss a handful of games, some could say it has been a near-perfect season for Beckham.

But according to the man himself, no season could be deemed perfect unless it ends with the club winning the MLS Cup here at The Home Depot Center on November 20. Despite a pair of near misses, a league championship has evaded Beckham throughout his time with the Galaxy. But

We caught up with him earlier this week to see what he thought of the season so far, playing in the Champions League and the quest for MLS Cup. Here is what he had to say...

As a player, how exciting to be in this position as the season draws to a close and the playoffs get closer?

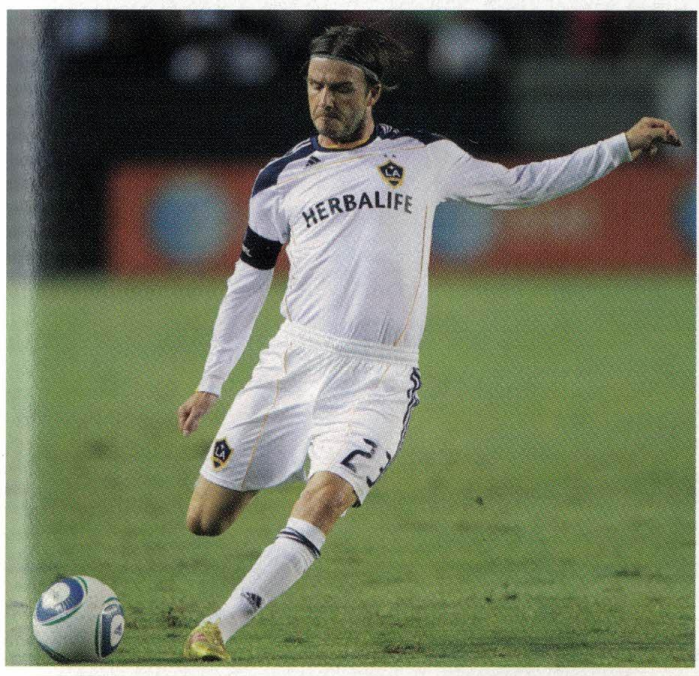
"I think that this is how we want to end the season. The games now get more exciting, for the fans, the players, everyone involved at the club and they're more important than they were at the start of the season. The way that we played and won games at the start of the year has set the end of the season up for us in this way. Reaching the playoffs with a few games to go is an added bonus, but winning the Supporters' Shield is what we want to do so we need to continue to win. If we win on Saturday it will be almost done so we need to concentrate on that and then we can decide how we approach the final game of the year and how we prepare for the playoffs from there."

Facing Real Salt Lake tonight, would it be any more gratifying to clinch the Supporters' Shield against them given the result on the road (a 4-1 loss) against them in March?

"It doesn't matter who we are playing at the end of the day, winning the Supporters' Shield is the important part. We were disappointed with the game in Salt Lake because we were not prepared well for it, we didn't play well at any position in that game and it was a painful loss. To go somewhere like that and lose the way we did, it gave a lot of us a kick up the backside to be honest, which is what we needed. It changed us for the better and we're in a lot better position now because of it."



David Beckham



Every time we play against Salt Lake it is a tough match, so we want to win this one.”

When you arrived for preseason this year, did you know that the team would be able to have this level of success?

“Yes, because what Bruce has done and what’s done well for us is to keep a majority of the players together and I think that has been the best thing, that’s been a big part of the success. We’ve had stability throughout the coaching staff and we’ve also had a certain amount of stability throughout the team by keeping the players that we’ve kept. That gives us a great unity off the field and on the field as well. The players have all performed. The defense has been great this year, we’ve scored goals when needed and

we’ve come up with big results when needed so, overall it’s been a good season so far.”

You enter tonight’s game as the co-MLS leader in assists and close to equaling the single season club record for assists. Would records like that mean something to you?

“Of course it would mean something to me but it would mean nothing to me if we end up with nothing as a team at the end of the season. If we win something this season, that would become more important, but if we end up without a championship it is just another statistic that’s out there. I’m happy with the assists that I’ve had this season, but it is more important that we win something than worrying about how many assists I get.”

One of the biggest reasons for the team’s success this year has been your partnership in central midfield with Juninho. How long did that take to develop?

“It didn’t really take much to develop a partnership because we’re two players that know how to play the game and how to work with each other and I think that he is one of the reasons that I’ve been able to get as many assists as I have because I have been able to get into dangerous positions where Juninho can get me the ball. We work well together. He’s a very good player, a player that I really like playing with because Brazilian players are the best in the world. He loves to play the game and it is a pleasure to play with him week in and week out.”

You’ve gotten your first taste of the CONCACAF Champions League this year, have you enjoyed that experience?

“I’ve enjoyed playing in the games that we won. Losing games is never fun, but this is the first time that I have had the chance to play in the Champions League since joining the Galaxy and it’s been fun. As disappointing as it was to lose the game, travelling to places like Costa Rica, where I had never been before was a great experience for me and the rest of the players.”

The final group game of the tournament is a must-win match in Honduras on October 20. How much do you look forward to pressure-filled games like that?

“As a professional, you want to play in high pressure games and they don’t get any more high pressure than having to win the last game to continue in the group. It’s a big game for us and if we play to our potential than it won’t be a problem.”

Finally, it is Fan Appreciation Night here at The Home Depot Center, how much do you enjoy playing in front of the home fans here?

“It’s what spurs us on. When we’ve got a good crowd here and the fans are behind us, it helps us win games and I’ve seen that at all of the clubs that I’ve played for. If you’ve got a good set of fans behind you, it gives you that 12th man effect. You want to win, you want to please the fans and it’s important.” •

The LA Galaxy are once again teaming up with MLS W.O.R.K.S., Major League Soccer's community outreach initiative, to implement a league-wide campaign to help in the fight against breast cancer. The Galaxy will help raise

Galaxy in the Fight Against Breast Cancer

awareness and funds for the cause throughout the month of October during their games against Western Conference rivals Real Salt Lake on Saturday, October 1 and Chivas USA on Sunday, October 16 at The Home Depot Center.

For the second consecutive year, the Galaxy, along with other MLS players, coaches and officials will be outfitted in pink gear for Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Players will have special pink MLS

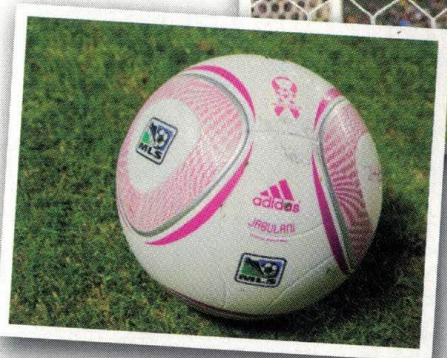
W.O.R.K.S.' ribbon patches on their jerseys and be provided pink shoelaces and wristbands. Coaches and technical staff will be provided MLS W.O.R.K.S. scarves and ribbon pins. Game officials will support the initiative with pink whistles, wristbands and jersey patches.

At each Galaxy home game in October, the games will be played with commemorative, pink adidas Jabulani match balls and pink Gatorade sideline towels will be used by both benches. In addition, Galaxy staff members will support the campaign by wearing pink ribbon pins.

Both visiting teams, Real Salt Lake and Chivas USA, have also agreed to support the initiative by wearing their respective Breast Cancer Awareness gear.

This year, the Galaxy has partnered with the Zeta Tau Alpha (ZTA) sorority to distribute 10,000 pink ribbons to fans at both of the club's home games in the month of October.

As part of their effort to raise funds for the fight against breast cancer, both the Los Angeles Galaxy Foundation and MLS W.O.R.K.S will auction off several game-worn pink items for charity through the league's official website, www.mlssoccer.com. The Galaxy Foundation will also have a limited number of special edition LA Galaxy pink scarves available for purchase at its booth during each game. •



Dasan Robinson

Just a few hours before last month's roster freeze deadline, the Galaxy pulled off a trade with Toronto FC, sending Kyle Davies, who had been acquired in May but never appeared in a league game, north in exchange for Dasan Robinson. Robinson had only been in Toronto for a little more than a month after being acquired from Chicago in late July, though like Davies, he never appeared in a league game for the club before heading west.

Now in his sixth MLS season, Robinson adds some much needed depth along an injury riddled backline that has been forced to play without Gregg Berhalter and Sean Franklin of late in addition to the long term injuries to Sean Alvarado and Leonardo.

We caught up with the Galaxy's newest addition to see what he thought of joining his third team in as many months.

What were your thoughts when you first found out that you were being traded to the Galaxy?

"I was a bit shocked at first, but very excited when Bruce gave me the call. It's a great opportunity to be a part of something great."

It must have been a positive as well to go to a team that had already clinched a playoff berth and is in the hunt for the Supporters' Shield.

"I've been in the playoffs ever year except for one in my career so I'm familiar with what it takes in the postseason and hopefully I can help this team out in some way to win a championship."

You began your MLS career playing for Dave Sarachan, who is now the Galaxy Associate Head Coach. How excited are you to be reunited with your former coach?

"I can honestly say that my best years [in MLS] were with the Fire, under Dave, so I am really excited to get another opportunity to play for his tutelage and the rest of the coaching staff. This is an excellent opportunity for me and one that I have always hoped and played for."

How much are you looking forward to making your Galaxy debut?

"I can't wait. It will be a great moment for me and like I said, whenever I step on the field I want to be able to help our team get a result."

For the fans that don't know you, how would you describe your style of play?

"I'm a hard worker, I like to grit it out. I'm not the most technical, fanciest or prettiest player, but I know that I have a job to do out there and that is to defend. And I'll do that with everything that I've got." •



Making your debut for a new team is never an easy experience, especially for a teenager. Adjusting to a new set of teammates and a new style of play can often times be difficult, leaving new players in need of a proper period of time to settle in and get acclimatized to their new surroundings.

That was not the case for Inglewood, Calif. native Jaime Villareal who had a debut weekend to remember for the Galaxy Academy U-16's late last month. Just like his favorite Galaxy player, Robbie Keane, Villareal scored in his first game for the Galaxy after joining the club from Pateadores over the summer. But while Keane settled for a single goal on his debut, Villareal went two better, scoring a hat trick in a 4-4 road draw with the De Anza Force, with his third goal coming in the game's final minute to steal a point for his team.

"That was special, especially to do it playing for the Galaxy," Villareal said at training earlier this week. "Last year I had a bit of a rocky start, so I was glad to score a

hat trick, get off to a good start and I'm looking forward to scoring some more goals."

Villareal would not need to wait long for his next goal, scoring the game-winner

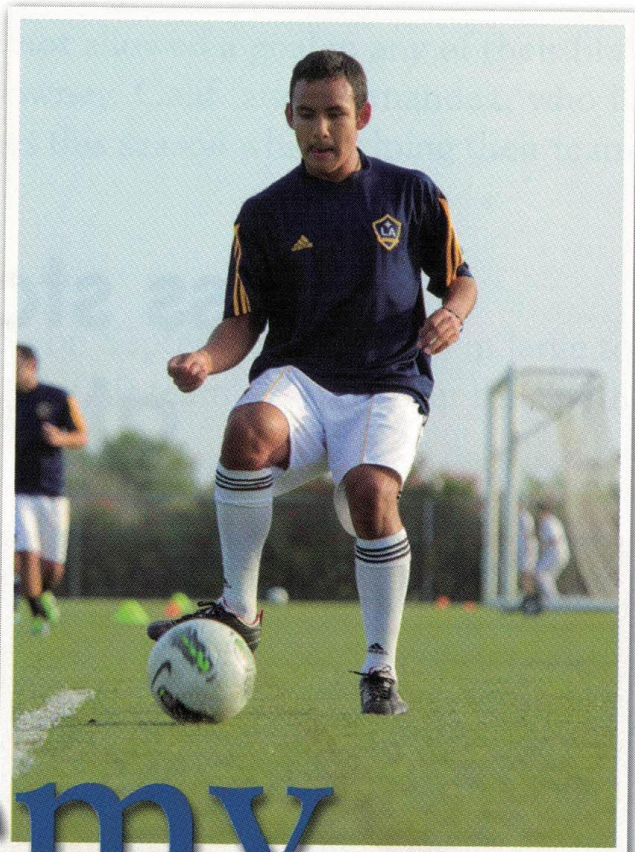
for his team the very next day, as the Galaxy claimed their first win of the season with a 2-0 win over the Santa Cruz Breakers. Villareal gave his team an early 1-0 lead, finishing a pass from Mario Ortiz-Flores for his fourth goal of the season, which leaves him tied for the second most in the SoCal Division through the first month of the season.

One of the things that has spurred Villareal on throughout his career is a sibling rivalry with his brother Jose Villareal, who helped their former club Pateadores win the U-18 Development Academy championship last year before joining his younger brother with the Galaxy this season.

"It's always pretty competitive between us, we always want to see who scores the most goals," said the younger Villareal, who claimed to be both nervous and excited ahead of his debut for the Galaxy, the club that he grew up a fan of.

After an impressive opening weekend in a Galaxy uniform, Villareal will look to continue that form when he plays in his first SuperClasico against the rivals, Chivas USA.

"I've been told that there is a lot of tension and competitiveness in those games so I'm looking forward to it," he said. "When I've played against Chivas USA in the past I have played very good, so I would like to see that keep going and get another win."



Academy Update



ACADEMY

While Villareal has enjoyed a strong start for the U-16's, a number of other players have impressed at the other age groups here at the start of their seasons. A few of those players are...

Jordan Aldama and Alain Hernandez – Galaxy U-12's

The two goalkeepers for the Galaxy U-12 team have not allowed a goal in any of their first three games of the season. Aldama, who is from Downey, Calif. and Hernandez, who is from Torrance, Calif., have split time in all three games this season while helping their team to a series of 1-0 victories and a perfect 3-0-0 record.

Salvador Segura – Galaxy U-13's

The Galaxy U-13's earned their first win of the season on September 17 thanks in large to the play of Segura, who scored five goals in the first half of his team's 7-1 win over the South Bay Force.

Cesar Farias – Galaxy U-14's

A native of Wilmington, Calif., Cesar Farias scored once and set up another for the Galaxy U-14's last weekend as they claimed a pair of 1-1 draws. After also having scored in the team's season opening victory, Farias gave LA a 1-0 lead early in the second half against Beach FC on Saturday. The following day, Farias was the provider, setting up Sergio Rodriguez for the team's only goal in a 1-1 draw with CZ Elite, a result that left the Galaxy unbeaten on the year at 2-0-2.

Colin Hossum and Alejandro Vergara Jr. – Galaxy U-15's

Through their first three games of the season, the Galaxy U-15's have scored 15 goals, thanks in large to the play of the attacking duo of Colin Hossum and Alejandro Vergara Jr. Hossum (Los Angeles) scored twice in a 6-2 win over South Bay Force on September 17 and twice more the following day in a 4-1 victory over CZ Elite. He was helped out by the play of Vergara Jr. (Long Beach, Calif.), who had a goal and five assists in the two wins, helping improve his team's record to 3-0-0.

Jack McBean and Javan Torre – Galaxy U-18's

Two of four players to start each of the Galaxy U-18's first two games, Jack McBean (Newport Beach, Calif.) and Javan Torre (Santa Monica, Calif.) were pivotal in helping LA earn a pair of wins to start the season. McBean scored in the season opening 1-0 win over De Anza Force and then again the next day in the 5-1 win over Santa Cruz Breakers, while Torre marshaled a defense that allowed just one goal in their first two games of the season, heading into this weekend's encounter with Chivas USA in Pomona. •

UPCOMING EVENTS

While the regular season is coming to a close, the Galaxy are remaining 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.

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:

Sun. Oct. 2

Long Beach Youth Soccer Opening Day
Long Beach, Calif.

Tues. Oct. 4

LA Galaxy at New York Red Bulls Viewing Party
ESPN Zone at L.A. Live
Los Angeles, Calif.

Wed. Oct. 5

42nd Annual Southern California
Municipal Athletic Federation Institute
Lakewood, Calif.

Sat. Oct. 8

Columbus Day Sports Festival
Los Angeles, Calif.

Sat. Oct. 15

Alpine Village Oktoberfest
Torrance, Calif.

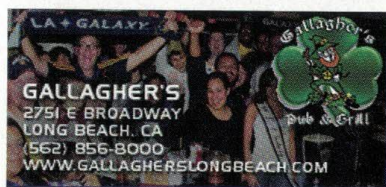
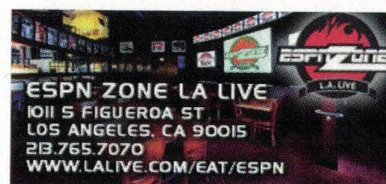
Upcoming Away Game Viewing Parties

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

Tuesday, October 5

Viewing Parties starts at 5 p.m.



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LA Galaxy vs. Chivas USA Sunday, October 16 – 6 p.m. at The Home Depot Center

The Galaxy will play their home finale on Sunday, October 16 when they host Chivas USA in the second and final leg of the SuperClasico. LA won the first game between the two rivals 1-0, meaning that a win or a draw will see the Galaxy claim the SuperClasico trophy for the sixth time in seven years.

Tickets for the game are on sale now, starting at \$30. Be sure to visit lagalaxy.com or call 877-3GALAXY to get your tickets today. •

With a win tonight, the Galaxy would become the third MLS team to record 18 wins in a season since the shootout was abolished as a way to decide games after the 1999 season. The 2005 San Jose Earthquakes, whose mark of 64 points, the most in MLS since 1998, LA could also match tonight, were the first to achieve the feat while the Galaxy matched it last year.

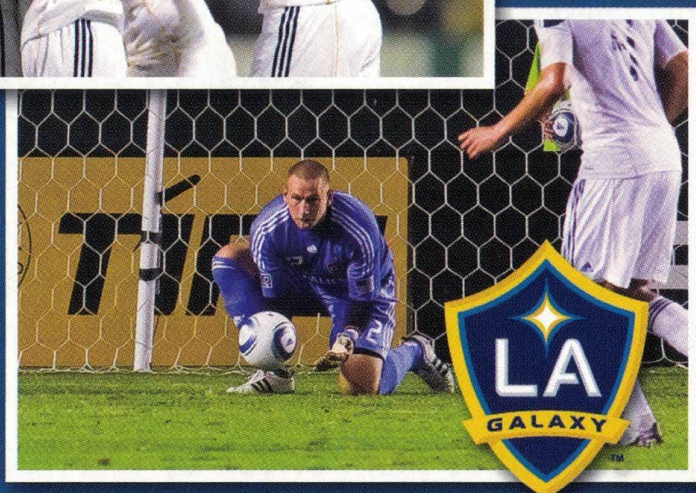
The Galaxy need two wins and a draw from their final three games in order to match their MLS-record point total of 68, which was set in 1998. Just the third team in league history to record more than 60 points, the Galaxy could become the first to hit 70 points with wins in three of their final three games.

Chad Barrett's goal in the third minute of second half stoppage time was the latest goal that the Galaxy have scored in a regular season game since May 6, 2009 when Mike Magee scored his first goal for the Galaxy in the fourth minute of second half stoppage time of LA's 2-2 draw with Real Salt Lake at Rio Tinto Stadium.



That goal was LA's latest game-winning goal since Cornell Glen scored his second and final goal in a Galaxy uniform in the 93rd minute of a 2-1 win over Chivas USA on April 15, 2006.

Josh Saunders recorded his 10th win of the regular season against Columbus last weekend, becoming the fourth goalkeeper in club history to record 10 or more wins in a single season. Jorge Campos achieved the feat in 1996 and 1997, Kevin Hartman did so every year from 1998-2000, as well as in 2002, 2004, 2005 and 2006. Donovan Ricketts then did so in 2009 and 2010 and could again this year if he earns a win in three of the last four regular season games that the club will play.



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David Beckham enters tonight's game tied for the MLS-lead in assists with 14. That leaves him three assists shy of matching Mauricio Cienfuegos' single-season record of 17 assists, which he set in 1999.

While he missed last weekend's win over the Crew, Todd Dunivant still leads the team in games played in all competitions this season, playing in 35 of the club's 37 games, including 29 of 30 regular season games. The only other game that he missed prior to the win in Columbus was the 2-1 win over the L.A. Blues in the Third Round of the U.S. Open Cup on June 28.

Dunivant is one of six players to have played in at least 30 games for the club this year. He is joined by A.J. DeLaGarza, Omar Gonzalez, Juninho, Mike Magee and Sean Franklin while six others could reach the 30 games played plateau before the start of the regular season.

Frankie Hejduk wore the captain's armband for the 1-0 win over Columbus last weekend, becoming the sixth different player to captain the team this year. He joins David Beckham, Gregg Berhalter, Landon Donovan, Todd Dunivant and Donovan Ricketts as having served as captain this year. Of that group, Dunivant, Hejduk and Ricketts had never served as Galaxy captain before this season.

Hejduk was also booked in that game. He has started four regular season games in a Galaxy uniform and has been shown a yellow card in each. •

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