

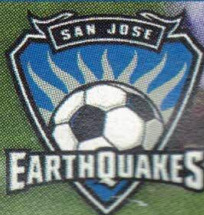
LA GALAXY



GAMEDAY PROGRAM

VS. SAN JOSE EARTHQUAKES

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MATCH STATS - GALAXY

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MATCH STATS - EARTHQUAKES

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GOALSCORERS:

MATCH RESULT

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NOTES:

LA GALAXY

Head Coach: Bruce Arena

#	Player	Pos.
1	Bill Gaudette	GK
2	Todd Dunivant	D
3	David Junior Lopes	D
4	Omar González	D
5	Sean Franklin	D
6	Bryan Jordan	D
7	Robbie Keane	F
8	Marcelo Sarvas	M
9	Chad Barrett	F
10	Landon Donovan	M
11	Pat Noonan	F
12	Josh Saunders	GK
14	Edson Buddle	F
15	Dan Keat	M
16	Hector Jimenez	M
17	Adam Cristman	F
18	Mike Magee	M
19	Juninho	M
20	A.J. DeLaGarza	D
21	Tommy Meyer	D
22	Leonardo	D
23	David Beckham	M
24	Brian Perk	GK
25	Rafael Garcia	M
26	Michael Stephens	M
28	Kyle Nakazawa	M
29	Andrew Boyens	D
32	Jack McBean	F
33	Jose Villarreal	M
34	Kenney Walker	M
35	Bryan Gaul	D

SAN JOSE EARTHQUAKES

Head Coach: Frank Yallop

#	Player	Pos.
1	David Bingham	GK
4	Sam Cronin	M
5	Brad Ring	M
6	Shea Salinas	M
7	Khari Stephenson	M
8	Chris Wondolowski	F
9	Sercan Guvenisik	F
10	Simon Dawkins	M
11	Tressor Moreno	M
12	Ramiro Corrales	D
13	Evan Newton	GK
14	Jean-Marc Alexandre	F
15	Justin Morrow	D
16	Alan Gordon	F
17	Joey Gjertsen	M
18	Jon Busch	GK
19	Sam Garza	F
20	Tim Ward	D
21	Jason Hernandez	D
23	Anthony Ampaipitakwong	M
24	Steven Lenhart	F
25	Ellis McLoughlin	F
26	Victor Bernardez	D
27	Cesar Diaz Pizarro	F
30	Rafael Baca	M
32	Josh Suggs	D
33	Steven Beitashour	D
55	Ike Opara	D
81	Marvin Chavez	M



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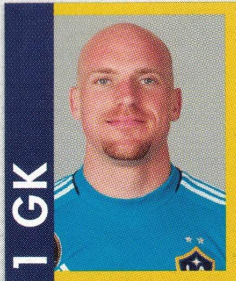
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DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	TIME/RESULT	TV/GOALSCORERS
WED	MARCH 7	AT TORONTO FC	2-2 T	MAGEE, DONOVAN
CONCACAF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE - QUARTERFINAL - 1ST LEG				
SAT	MARCH 10	VS. REAL SALT LAKE	1-3 L	BUDDLE
WED	MARCH 14	VS. TORONTO FC	1-2 L	OWN GOAL
CONCACAF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE - QUARTERFINAL - 2ND LEG (GALAXY LOSE 4-3 ON AGG.)				
SUN	MARCH 18	VS. D.C. UNITED	3-1 W	KEANE (2), SARVAS
SAT	MARCH 31	VS. NEW ENGLAND REVOLUTION	1-3 L	KEANE
SAT	APRIL 7	AT SPORTING KANSAS CITY	0-1 L	-
SAT	APRIL 14	VS. PORTLAND TIMBERS	3-1 W	DONOVAN, JUNINHO, BECKHAM
SAT	APRIL 21	AT COLORADO RAPIDS	2-1 W	OWN GOAL, DONOVAN
SAT	APRIL 28	VS. FC DALLAS	1-1 T	NOONAN
WED	MAY 2	AT SEATTLE SOUNDERS FC	0-2 L	-
SAT	MAY 5	VS. NEW YORK RED BULLS	0-1 L	-
SAT	MAY 12	AT MONTREAL IMPACT	1-1 T	BECKHAM
SAT	MAY 19	AT CHIVAS USA	0-1 L	-
WED	MAY 23	VS. SAN JOSE EARTHQUAKES	7:30 P.M.	KDOC/KWHY
SAT	MAY 26	AT HOUSTON DYNAMO	11:30 A.M.	NBC SPORTS NETWORK
TUE	MAY 29	VS. PSA ELITE OR AT CAROLINA RAILHAWKS		
LAMAR HUNT U.S. OPEN CUP THIRD ROUND AT TBD				
SUN	JUNE 17	VS. PORTLAND TIMBERS	4:00 P.M.	KDOC/KWHY
WED	JUNE 20	AT REAL SALT LAKE	6:00 P.M.	KDOC/KWHY
SAT	JUNE 23	VS. VANCOUVER WHITECAPS FC	7:30 P.M.	KDOC/KWHY
SAT	JUNE 30	AT SAN JOSE EARTHQUAKES	7:00 P.M.	ESPN2/ESPN DEPORTES
WED	JULY 4	VS. PHILADELPHIA UNION	7:30 P.M.	KDOC/KWHY
SUN	JULY 8	AT CHICAGO FIRE	12:00 P.M.	ESPN/ESPN DEPORTES
SAT	JULY 14	AT PORTLAND TIMBERS	8:00 P.M.	NBC SPORTS NETWORK
WED	JULY 18	AT VANCOUVER WHITECAPS FC	7:00 P.M.	KDOC/KWHY
SAT	JULY 21	VS. CHIVAS USA	7:00 P.M.	KDOC/TELEFUTURA
TUE	JULY 24	VS. TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	7:30 P.M.	TBD
INTERNATIONAL FRIENDLY AT THE HOME DEPOT CENTER				
SAT	JULY 28	AT FC DALLAS	5:00 P.M.	NBC SPORTS NETWORK
THUR	AUGUST 2	VS. REAL MADRID	7:30 P.M.	TBD
INTERNATIONAL FRIENDLY AT THE HOME DEPOT CENTER				
SUN	AUGUST 5	AT SEATTLE SOUNDERS FC	7:00 P.M.	ESPN2/ESPN DEPORTES
SUN	AUGUST 12	AT CHIVAS USA	8:00 P.M.	ESPN2/ESPN DEPORTES
WED	AUGUST 15	AT COLUMBUS CREW	5:00 P.M.	NBC SPORTS NETWORK
SUN	AUGUST 26	VS. FC DALLAS	4:00 P.M.	NBC SPORTS NETWORK
SAT	SEPT. 1	VS. VANCOUVER WHITECAPS FC	7:00 P.M.	KDOC/KWHY
SUN	SEPT. 16	VS. COLORADO RAPIDS	4:00 P.M.	KDOC/GALAVISION
SAT	SEPT. 22	VS. TORONTO FC	7:30 P.M.	KDOC/KWHY
SUN	SEPT. 30	AT COLORADO RAPIDS	4:00 P.M.	KDOC/GALAVISION
SAT	OCT. 6	VS. REAL SALT LAKE	6:00 P.M.	NBC SPORTS NETWORK
SUN	OCT. 21	AT SAN JOSE EARTHQUAKES	4:00 P.M.	TIME WARNER CABLE/ GALAVISION
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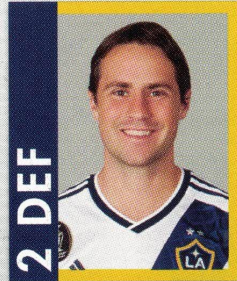


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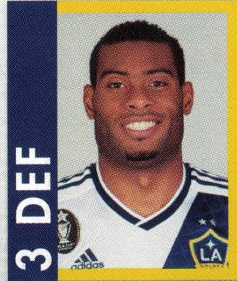
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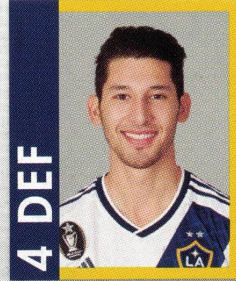
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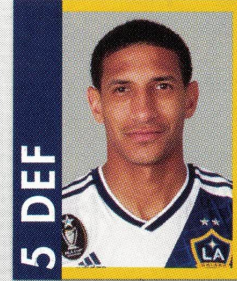
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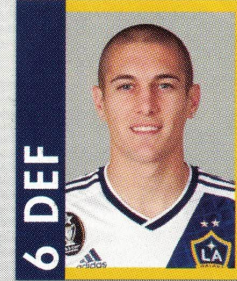
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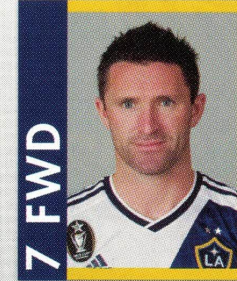
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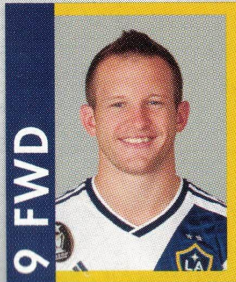
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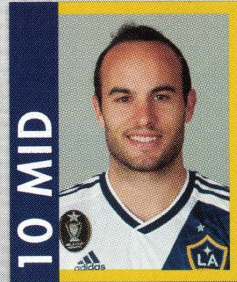
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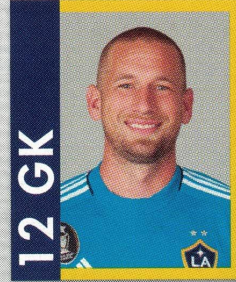
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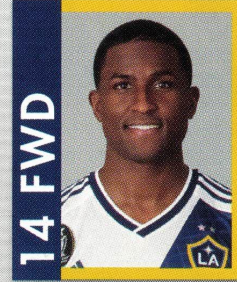
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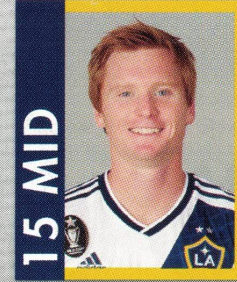
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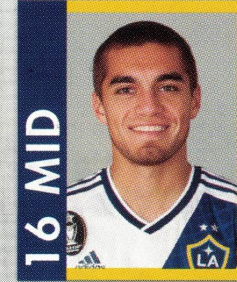
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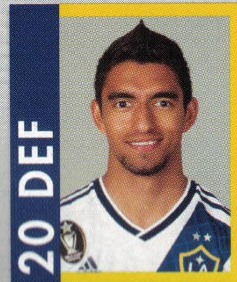
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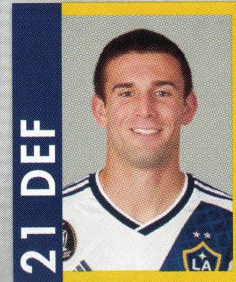
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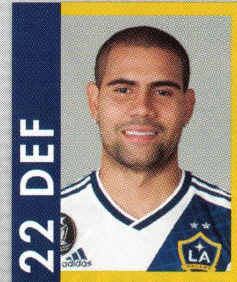
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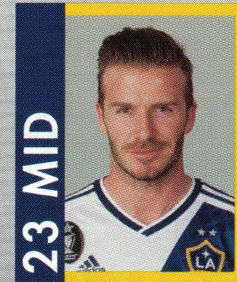
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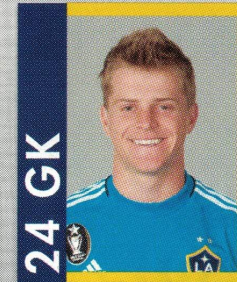
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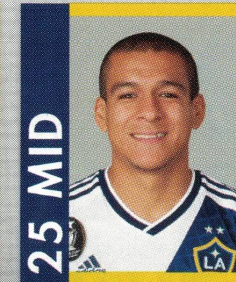
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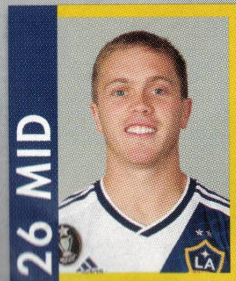
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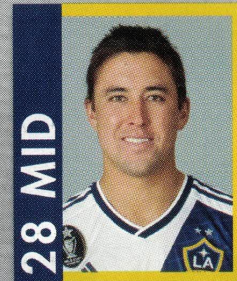
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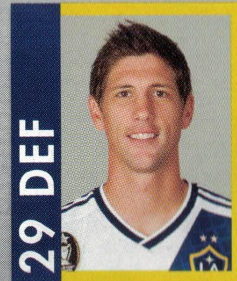
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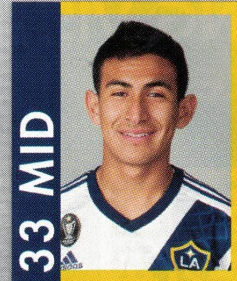
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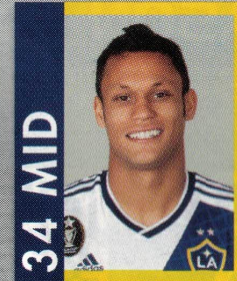
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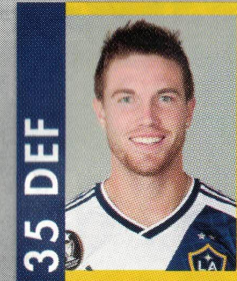
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Bryan **GAUL**



VS



TONIGHT'S OPPONENT

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SAN JOSE EARTHQUAKES

What a difference a year has made for the San Jose Earthquakes. After finishing seventh in the Western Conference and eight points out of playoff contention in 2011, the Northern California club has burst out to an impressive start in 2012.

The 2012 Earthquakes have picked up 24 points, more than half of their entire 2011 total, through their first 12 games this season and have the best goal differential in MLS at +10. The hot start has catapulted San Jose to second place in both the Western Conference and all of MLS, despite cooling slightly recently with consecutive 1-1 draws in their last two games.

While head coach Frank Yallop will be without the ever-present scoring threat of Chris Wondolowski and his league-leading 11 goals tonight because of National Team commitments, he will not have a shortage of firepower available. Steven Lenhart, a thorn in the side of the Galaxy in the past will likely get the start, as could former Galaxy striker Alan Gordon, who has scored three times in two games against his former club. Gordon has also scored in each of San Jose's last two games, tallying late equalizers in each.

To feed the dangerous attacking pair, the Earthquakes like to use speed down the wings and whip balls into the box for their big targets.

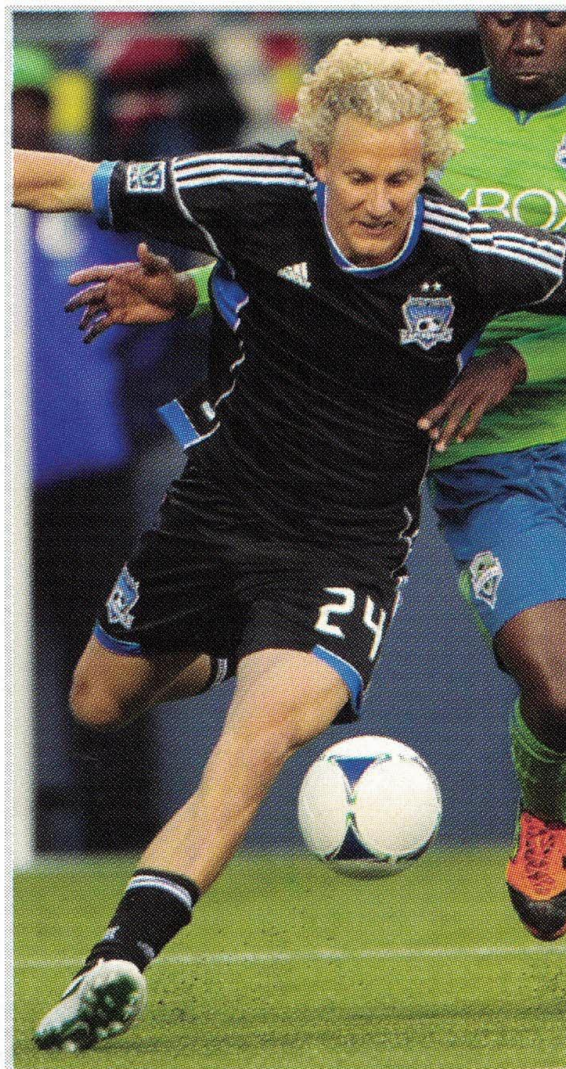
The midfield has seen the most changes throughout the year for San Jose with only Rafael Baca seeing action there in all 12 games this season. Players like Sam Cronin, Simon Dawkins and Khari Stephenson do much of the dirty work in the Earthquakes midfield while Marvin Chavez and Tressor Moreno, neither of who started on Saturday against the Crew, add attacking flair.

At the back, Jon Busch has once again been a rock in goal for San Jose. The veteran goalkeeper has played every minute for San Jose this season, giving up just a shade over one goal per game and recording three shutouts. In front of him, Steven Beitashour and Justin Morrow have shined in their third seasons with the club while Ramiro Corrales and Jason Hernandez provide veteran leadership.

That leadership has been evident in San Jose's road form that has seen them go 3-1-1 away from Buck Shaw Stadium and their willingness to battle to the final whistle, as shown by their six goals in the final 15 minutes of games, which are tied for the most in MLS.

SAN JOSE EARTHQUAKES EXPECTED LINEUP (4-4-2):

Jon Busch; Steven Beitashour, Jason Hernandez, Justin Morrow, Ramiro Corrales; Sam Cronin, Rafael Baca, Simon Dawkins, Khari Stephenson; Steven Lenhart, Alan Gordon.



KEY MAN: STEVEN LENHART

A big and physically imposing forward, Steven Lenhart will see more of the scoring burden for San Jose fall on his shoulders in the absence of top goal scorer Chris Wondolowski. He has two goals in five career games against the Galaxy, but it is his altercation with Josh Saunders last season that led to the goalkeeper being shown a red card that continues to draw the ire of Galaxy fans. His expected partnership with Alan Gordon will give Frank Yallop a pair of powerful forwards to lead his attacking line and make set pieces a constant danger for the home side.



LAST GAME LA GALAXY 0, CHIVAS USA 1

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Saturday, May 19, 2012
The Home Depot Center – Carson, Calif.

The LA Galaxy saw their six-game winning streak over Chivas USA come to an end on Saturday night with a 1-0 defeat to their in-stadium rivals. Jose Correa scored the only goal of the game for the home side, beating Brian Perk with a 72nd minute penalty kick after David Junior Lopes had handled the ball on the line, which led to him being shown a straight red card by referee Mark Geiger.

With the loss, LA are now winless in their last five games and sit in last place in the Western Conference.

Winless in the SuperClasico since 2007, Chivas USA were able to break a scoreless deadlock courtesy of Correa, who scored his second goal in three games since joining the club last month. Brian Perk came out to punch away an Oswaldo Minda cross, only to collide with Chivas USA forward Juan Agudelo. The ball deflected straight up into the air and Correa was the quickest to react, hitting a volley on frame from six yards out. The shot struck the outstretched arm of Lopes, leading to the penalty and the red card.

Playing down a man for the final 20 minutes, LA struggled to create chances for an equalizer,



taking just one shot after falling behind.

Prior to the Chivas USA goal, the Galaxy looked like they might go in front in the 51st minute, only for Dan Kennedy to make a pair of saves on shots from Pat Noonan and Kyle Nakazawa. Following those saves, Mike Magee had a pair of chances for LA but was not able to test Kennedy in the Chivas USA goal, keeping the score 0-0.

In the first half, Miller Bolanos struck the post from 25 yards out for the home side while Landon Donovan forced a save from Kennedy and Magee headed narrowly over the bar from a corner kick.

SCORING SUMMARY:

CHV – Jose Correa 2 (Penalty Kick) 72'

MISCONDUCT SUMMARY:

CHV – Oswaldo Minda (Yellow Card) 36'

LA – David Junior Lopes (Red Card) 70'

LA – Landon Donovan (Yellow Card) 85'

LINEUPS:

LA GALAXY: Brian Perk; Sean Franklin, David Junior Lopes, A.J. DeLaGarza, Todd Dunivant; Mike Magee (Chad Barrett, 78'), Juninho, Marcelo Sarvas, Kyle Nakazawa (David Beckham 74'); Landon Donovan ©, Pat Noonan (Edson Buddle 60').

SUBS NOT USED: Bill Gaudette, Leonardo, Bryan Jordan, Michael Stephens.

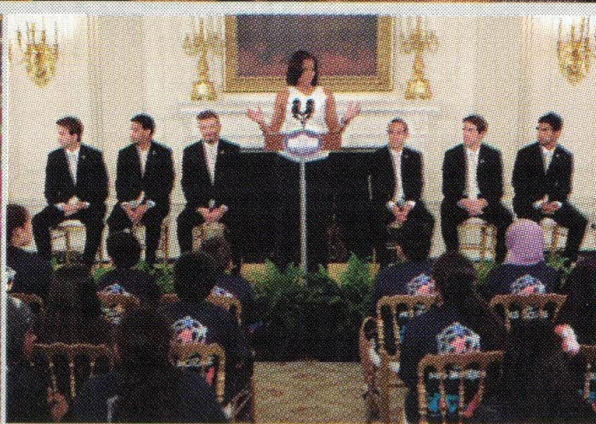
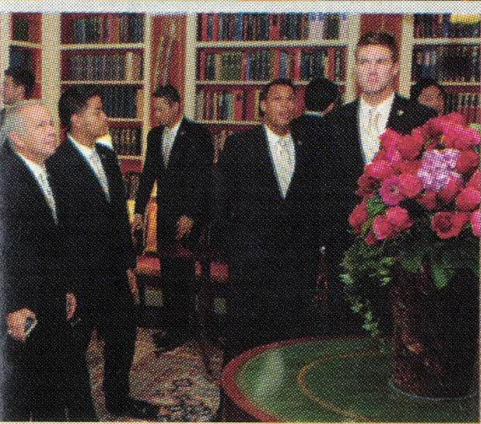
CHIVAS USA: Dan Kennedy; James Riley, Danny Califf, Rauwshaun McKenzie, Ante Jazic; Oswaldo Minda, Nick LaBrocca (Blair Gavin 90'), Alejandro Moreno©; Juan Agudelo (Juan Pablo Angel 76'), Jose Correa, Miller Bolanos (Jorge Villafana 60')

SUBS NOT USED: Tim Melia, John Valencia, Peter Vagenas, Paolo Cardozo.

REFEREE: Mark Geiger

REFEREE'S ASSISTANTS: Sean Hurd and Steven Taylor

4TH OFFICIAL: Alejandro Mariscal



On May 15, the Galaxy wrote the final chapter in their 2011 MLS Cup championship winning season when they visited The White House to be honored by President Obama. Days after playing to a 1-1 draw with the Montreal Impact in front of more than 60,000 fans at Olympic Stadium, the Galaxy travelled to Washington D.C. for the traditional celebration.

Wearing suits courtesy of Macy's and Calvin Klein, Galaxy players, coaches and staff received a private tour of The White House before being honored in a ceremony that was shown on TV and online around

the world. The President joked with David Beckham and other Galaxy stars while also commending the team for its ability to live up to the hype and succeed under even the most difficult of circumstances.

Following the ceremony, which saw the President presented with a Galaxy jersey and a team-signed ball, David Beckham, A.J. DeLaGarza, Landon Donovan, Todd Dunivant, Sean Franklin and Mike Magee participated in a question and answer session with a group of about 80 children from around the nation as part of the First Lady's Let's Move! campaign and MLS W.O.R.K.S.



THE ORIGINAL WEST COAST RIVALRY

It was the original West Coast rivalry in Major League Soccer. The California Clasico it was called.

LA versus San Jose. The Galaxy versus the Earthquakes and even the Clash before that.

The two sides have combined for five MLS Cup titles and have featured in some of the greatest games in the league's history. While the rivalry may not be the same as it used to be in the early years of the league, when fewer teams meant more frequent matchups with one another, it still matters to players and fans from both sides.

Few players have seen the depth of this rivalry from both sides the way that Landon Donovan has. The Galaxy captain began his MLS career with San Jose, where he helped knock the Galaxy out of the playoffs twice en route to the first two MLS Cup titles of his career. Then, after a brief sojourn to Germany, Donovan returned to MLS, but this time to the Galaxy.



Donovan's move from Northern California to Southern California drew the ire of Earthquakes fans everywhere and that ill will was only furthered when Donovan helped to engineer a dramatic upset of the top-seeded and heavily favored Earthquakes in the opening round of the MLS Cup Playoffs. Two weeks later, the Galaxy had their second MLS Cup title, equaling the number of their neighbors to the north, and Donovan had permanently endeared himself to a legion of Galaxy fans, the same way that he had four years earlier in San Jose.

Joining Donovan in moving from the Earthquakes to the Galaxy in 2005 was Todd Dunivant. He was an integral part of San Jose's championship winning side as a rookie in 2003 and then won a second title in his first season with LA two years later.

It was in that 2005 season that Dunivant saw the rivalry reach its pinnacle.

"(Landon) was such an integral part of San Jose in those glory years for them that when that happened, that upset a lot of fans," he said. "When that happened, that intensified (the rivalry) even more. Those were the games that you would get the biggest crowds, you would play one another in the Open Cup, you'd play each other in preseason, you would probably play each other in the playoffs a couple of times and then four times

during the regular season. You add all that up and you know each other very well and it still makes for intense games and very good quality games."

After the 2005 season, the Earthquakes were relocated to Houston to become the Dynamo, who went on to win the MLS Cup in 2006 and 2007. In 2008, San Jose returned to MLS and the first game the club played was of course against the Galaxy. In front of a capacity crowd in Carson and a national TV audience on ESPN, the Earthquakes appeared to have a dream return to MLS, scoring just two minutes in, only to have the tally called back for an infringement. Seven minutes later, David Beckham scored his first-ever goal in MLS and Landon Donovan would add a second as LA claimed a 2-0 win.

While the meetings between the two rivals have not been as frequent in recent years, the matchups have each held their own dramatic moments, giving fans a taste of what this rivalry once was and what it could be again.

There were late equalizers from Bryan Jordan and Edson Buddle in 2009 and 2010 respectively, San Jose's home win in 2008 that served as the final game in Ruud Gullit's tenure with the Galaxy, Robbie Keane's goal scoring debut last August. And of course the 0-0 draw in San Jose last season that saw Josh Saunders clash with Steven Lenhart and then Mike Magee steal the spotlight with a heroic performance in goal, saving a point for his side.

While it may be hard for tonight's game to match the drama and vitriol of that meeting last June, when old rivals like this get together, anything can happen.





READY FOR THE EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

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While the Galaxy will not play another home game for more than three weeks after tonight's game, there will be no shortage of top class soccer being played here and around the world in the interim. Following tonight's game, the Galaxy will make their way to Houston where they will play their first-ever game at BBVA Compass Stadium against the Dynamo on Saturday afternoon.

At that point, the schedule begins to get complicated as the Galaxy enter the Third Round of the U.S. Open Cup. They will either head to North Carolina to face the NASL's Carolina RailHawks or host PSA Elite, an Irvine, Calif. based team from the U.S. Adult Soccer Association. Wherever that game is played, it will be held on Tuesday with a potential Fourth Round game awaiting a week later.

But while Galaxy fans follow the club's Open Cup run, they will also be able to follow the

2012 European Championships, which begin next month in Poland and the Ukraine. Regarded as perhaps the best tournament in the world, 16 of the best European nations will vie for a berth in



the 2013 Confederations Cup in Brazil and the title as the champions of Europe.

This year's Euros will have a decidedly Galaxy flavor to it with Ireland taking part in the competition for the first time since 1992, while a number of players from LA's two summer friendly opponents, Real Madrid and Tottenham Hotspur, are set to feature as well.

Led by Robbie Keane, who will captain his country in a major tournament for the first time, Ireland open play in Group C against Croatia on June 10, two days after the tournament begins in Warsaw. Underdogs in what is considered the tournament's "Group of Death", Ireland will look to shock the pundits by advancing past the group stage of the tournament for the first





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time ever. While Keane will lead the line for Giovanni Trapattoni's squad, Ireland will need to ride their defense if they hope to advance from a group that includes Croatia, Italy and Spain.

Ireland's biggest challenge in Group C is expected to come from Spain, the reigning European Champions. Just as they were four years ago, the Spanish will be led by goalkeeper Iker Casillas, who is the captain of both Spain and Real Madrid. He is expected to be joined by Madrid teammates Raul Albiol, Xabi Alonso, Arvaro Arbeloa and Sergio Ramos on the Spanish roster as they look to become the first nation to repeat as tournament champions.

Real Madrid will also have a heavy presence in Group B with three players, Fabio Coentrao, Pepe and Cristiano Ronaldo, set to represent Portugal while Sami Khedira and Mesut Ozil

will each represent Germany. French forward Karem Benzema rounds out the collection of 11 Madrid players who are expected to take part in the tournament.

Tottenham will not have quite as many of their players at the Euros, but there will still be a heavy presence of those that call White Hart Lane home. Niko Kranjcar and Luca Modric will represent Croatia, meaning that they can expect to face Keane, their former Tottenham teammate, in their Group C opener. Jermain Defoe and Scott Parker will each play for England while Rafael van der Vaart will try to lead Holland to their first championship since 1988.

The tournament opens on Friday, June 8 before coming to an end on July 1 with the Final in Kiev with all games being shown live on ESPN, ESPN2 and ESPN3.com



FIVE QUESTIONS WITH BRIAN PERK

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In the past week, Galaxy goalkeeper Brian Perk has made his first start of the season and tripled his career MLS minutes. The third-year keeper out of UCLA is a local product who grew up in Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif. and played for the Galaxy U-20 Academy team before being drafted by the Philadelphia Union in the 2010 MLS SuperDraft. Waived by the Union that summer, Perk was claimed by LA in August 2010 and has been an integral part of the club's goalkeeping corps ever since.

The 22-year-old entered the season as the club's No. 2 goalkeeper but was forced to undergo sports hernia surgery in late March. After six weeks on the sidelines, Perk returned to the field in a Reserve League game against San Jose and then made his 2012 first team debut on May 12 in a 1-1 draw with Montreal.

We caught up with Perk, who is expected to make his third consecutive start tonight, recently to see what he had to say about being back on the field and the pressures of being a starting goalkeeper. Here is what he had to say...

HOW DOES IT FEEL TO BE BACK FROM INJURY, GETTING REGULAR TRAINING AND GAME MINUTES?

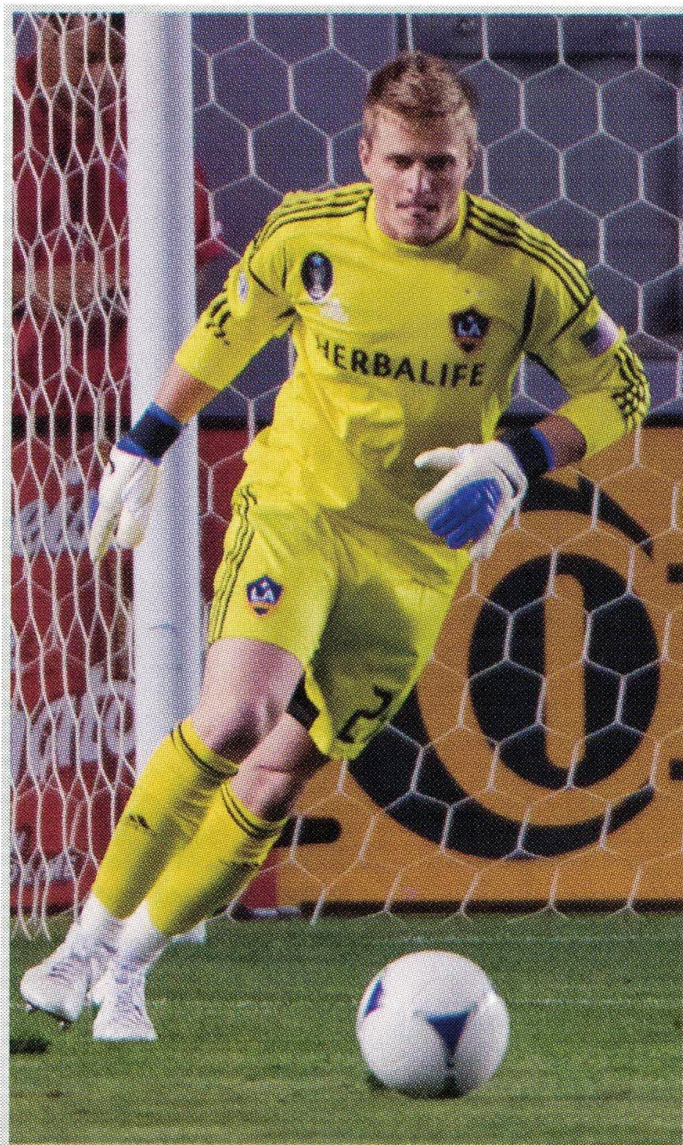
BP: It's always great. I think every practice I feel a little more comfortable. It's just good to do what I love to do.

WHAT PARTS OF YOUR GAME ARE YOU STILL WORKING ON IMPROVING?

BP: I'd say my feet can always get better, and then getting set for shots are probably two things I'm really working on right now.

WHAT DOES THE TEAM NEED TO DO IN ORDER TO IMPROVE AND START PICKING UP POINTS?

BP: I think the last couple games we haven't played poorly. We've had stretches where we've played poorly, we've had stretches where we played brilliantly. I think it's just converting our chances and not having that



one lapse of concentration; whether it's by me like it was tonight or anyone else, just really locking down the back.

WHAT WAS IT LIKE STARTING IN YOUR FIRST SUPERCLASICO AGAINST CHIVAS USA?

BP: It was fine. I felt good. Those are always enjoyable; it's good to get that one out of the way. It's disappointing how it ended but, you know, there's a game on Wednesday so I can look forward to that.

WHAT DOES THE TEAM NEED TO DO IN ORDER TO GET THREE POINTS AGAINST SAN JOSE?

BP: San Jose is a pretty big team; they like to whip balls into the box and we're going to have to be clean, get our matchups and deal with that. And then conversely, we need to create some chances and score them.



ACADEMY



WHEN IT COMES TO PLAYOFF or tournament soccer, it is often the hottest teams entering the tournament that enjoy the most success. With the U.S. Soccer Development Academy Playoffs just over a month away, the Galaxy U-16 and U-18 Academy teams hope that proves to be the case.

For the first time in the Academy's history, both the club's U-16's and U-18's are in line to qualify for the Academy Playoffs. Even better, with just two games remaining in the season, both teams could qualify as West Conference SoCal Division champions.

The U-16's head into their final matches of the season, Saturday at home against Arsenal and then the following weekend at home against Nomads, knowing that just a single victory will allow them to win their second straight Division title. Unbeaten in their last 15 games and without a loss in 2012, the Galaxy U-16's have a 16-3-6 record so far this season and their 70 goals scored are the most in the country.

This month, LA are 3-0-1 and have outscored opponents 17-5, including a 6-0 win over Real So Cal last weekend. Justin

Dhillon, who has 18 goals in Academy play this season, scored twice in that game. Angel Josue Espana also scored twice to double his season tally, with Justin Schottenhammer and Alejandro Vergara each adding tallies while Daniil Slepukhin and Grayson Cornwell combined for the shutout.

The U-18's path to a first-ever Division title and a second postseason berth in four years is not as clear cut as their U-16 counterparts but they are still in control of their own destiny. Currently two points behind division leaders Chivas USA, LA have a game in hand on their rivals, meaning that wins over Arsenal and Nomads in their final two games would give the Galaxy the title.

The U-18's dream of a division title was kept alive last weekend when Sebastian Velasquez and Mario Rodriguez scored late in the second half to earn a 2-1 win over Real So Cal. That win gave the U-18's three wins in four games in the month of May and improved their record to 18-4-3 in all competitions. Their average of 2.28 points per game is the fourth most in the nation at the U-18 level.



DID YOU KNOW

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GALAXY DEFENDER Sean Franklin, who is expected to make his 100th start for the club tonight, is the only player on the club's roster that has started each of the first 11 games that LA have played this season. Juninho and Mike Magee have each played in 11 games, but Juninho came off the bench in the season opening defeat to Real Salt Lake while Magee has come off the bench three times this season.

THE GALAXY ARE UNBEATEN at home against San Jose since they returned to MLS in 2008. In the four games that the two sides have played at The Home Depot Center in that time, LA is 3-0-1 with eight goals scored and just two allowed while keeping three clean sheets.

WITH LANDON DONOVAN AND ROBBIE KEANE

AWAY on international duty, the Galaxy will be forced to play without 43% of their goal scoring output from this season. Those two have combined for six of LA's 14 goals in all competitions, though Keane has not scored since March 31 and Donovan has not scored since April 21. David Beckham is the only player that is available for selection by Bruce Arena that has more than one goal this season.

LEONARDO WAS IN THE 18-MAN SQUAD for the first time this season on Saturday night after being removed from the club's Disabled List a day earlier. This was Leonardo's first appearance in the 18-man squad since he suffered a severe right knee injury on April 17, 2011 in Chicago.

THE GALAXY have not scored a goal in the first 15 minutes of either half this season.

BRUCE ARENA HAS BEEN FORCED to make at least two changes to his starting lineup in every game with the exception of one this season. In that game, the 1-1 draw with FC Dallas on April 28, Arena used the same 10 field players as he did in the previous week's win over Colorado, while Bill Gaudette got the start in goal.

THE GALAXY HAVE CONCEDED three penalty kicks this season and each has been faced by a different goalkeeper. Josh Saunders stopped an Omar Cummings penalty on April 21 in 2-1 road win over Colorado. A week later, Bill Gaudette was beaten by a Brek Shea penalty in a 1-1 draw with FC Dallas. On Saturday night, Brian Perk was in goal when Jose Correa scored the game's only goal from the penalty spot in a 1-0 loss to Chivas USA.

WITH HIS RED CARD on Saturday night, David Junior Lopes became the first Galaxy player to be shown a red card this season and the first Galaxy player to be sent off against Chivas USA since Eddie Lewis was in October 2010.

EDSON BUDDLE celebrated his 31st birthday on Monday.



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