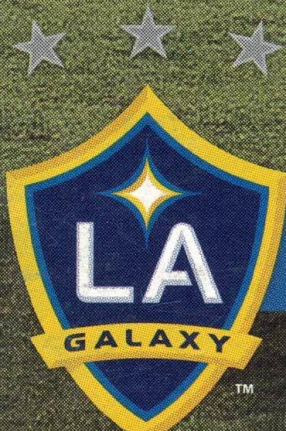


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VS. VANCOUVER WHITECAPS FC

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LA GALAXY

Head Coach: Bruce Arena

#	Player	Pos.
1	Brian Rowe	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
10	Landon Donovan	M
11	Pat Noonan	F
12	Josh Saunders	GK
14	Edson Buddle	F
15	Dan Keat	M
16	Hector Jimenez	M
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

VANCOUVER WHITECAPS FC

Head Coach: Martin Rennie

#	Player	Pos.
1	Joe Cannon	GK
3	Jordan Harvey	D
4	Alain Rochat	D
6	Jay DeMerit	D
7	Kenny Miller	F
8	Etienne Barbara	F
9	Atiba Harris	F
11	John Thorington	M
12	Lee Young-Pyo	D
13	Michael Nanchoff	M
14	Barry Robson	M
15	Martin Bonjour	D
16	Matt Watson	M
17	Omar Salgado	F
18	Brad Knighton	GK
19	Carlyle Mitchell	D
20	Dane Richards	M
22	Darren Mattocks	F
23	Tiago Ulisses	M
24	Brian Sylvestre	GK
27	Jun Marques Davidson	M
28	Gershon Koffie	M
31	Russell Teibert	M
32	Greg Klazura	D
34	Caleb Clarke	F
36	Bryce Alderson	M
37	Camilo	M
40	Andy O'Brien	D



Robbie Keane is ready to take flight as the LA Galaxy prepare for the stretch run. (Pg 18)



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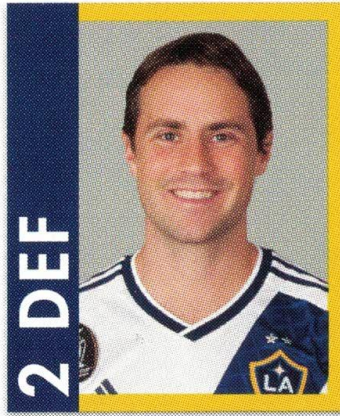
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WED	MARCH 7	AT TORONTO FC	2-2 T	MAGEE, DONOVAN
CONCACAF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE - QUARTERFINAL - 1ST LEG				
SAT	MARCH 10	VS. REAL SALT LAKE	1-3 L	BUDDLE
WED	MARCH 14	VS. TORONTO FC	1-2 L	OWN GOAL
CONCACAF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE - QUARTERFINAL - 2ND LEG				
SUN	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	2-3 L	JIMENEZ, MAGEE
SAT	MAY 26	AT HOUSTON DYNAMO	1-2 L	BUDDLE
TUE	MAY 29	AT CAROLINA RAILHAWKS	1-2 L	NOONAN
LAMAR HUNT U.S. OPEN CUP THIRD ROUND AT WAKEMED SOCCER PARK				
SUN	JUNE 17	VS. PORTLAND TIMBERS	1-0 W	DUNIVANT
WED	JUNE 20	AT REAL SALT LAKE	3-2 W	DONOVAN (2), MAGEE
SAT	JUNE 23	VS. VANCOUVER WHITECAPS FC	3-0 W	MAGEE, KEANE, DONOVAN
SAT	JUNE 30	AT SAN JOSE EARTHQUAKES	3-4 L	BECKHAM, OWN GOAL, DONOVAN
WED	JULY 4	VS. PHILADELPHIA UNION	1-2 L	BARRETT
SUN	JULY 8	AT CHICAGO FIRE	2-0 W	KEANE (2)
SAT	JULY 14	AT PORTLAND TIMBERS	5-3 W	BECKHAM (2), KEANE (2), DONOVAN
WED	JULY 18	AT VANCOUVER WHITECAPS FC	2-2 T	BECKHAM, VILLARREAL
SAT	JULY 21	VS. CHIVAS USA	3-1 W	DONOVAN (2), KEANE
TUE	JULY 24	VS. TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	1-1 T	LOPES
INTERNATIONAL FRIENDLY AT THE HOME DEPOT CENTER				
SAT	JULY 28	AT FC DALLAS	1-0 W	MAGEE
THUR	AUGUST 2	VS. REAL MADRID	1-5 L	LOPES
INTERNATIONAL FRIENDLY AT THE HOME DEPOT CENTER				
SUN	AUGUST 5	AT SEATTLE SOUNDERS FC	0-4 L	-
SUN	AUGUST 12	AT CHIVAS USA	4-0 W	JUNINHO (2), KEANE, GONZALEZ
WED	AUGUST 15	AT COLUMBUS CREW	1-1 T	KEANE
THUR	AUGUST 23	VS. ISIDRO METAPAN	5-2 W	JUNINHO (2), OWN GOAL, KEANE, BECKHAM
CONCACAF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE - GROUP 5				
SUN	AUGUST 26	VS. FC DALLAS	2-0 W	JUNINHO, DUNIVANT
WED	AUGUST 29	VS. PUERTO RICO ISLANDERS	4-0 W	MEYER, VILLARREAL, MCBEAN, STEPHENS
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SAT	SEPT. 1	VS. VANCOUVER WHITECAPS FC	7:00 P.M.	KDOC/KWHY
FRI	SEPT. 14	VS. COLORADO RAPIDS	8:00 P.M.	KDOC/UNIVISION DEPORTES
WED	SEPT. 19	AT PUERTO RICO ISLANDERS	5:00 P.M.	FOX SOCCER/UNIVISION DEPORTES DOS
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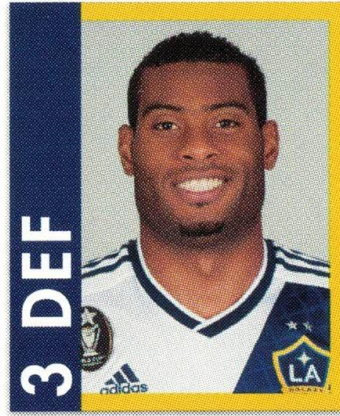
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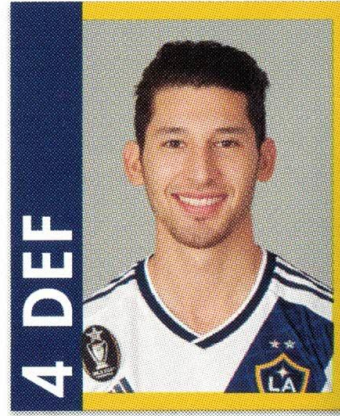
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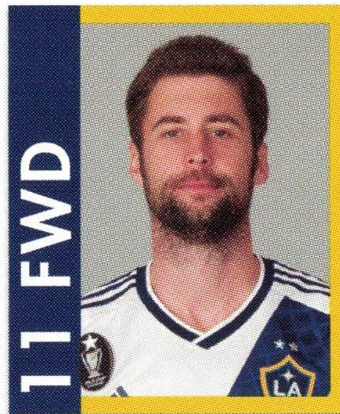
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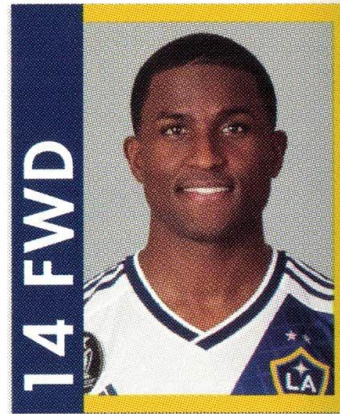
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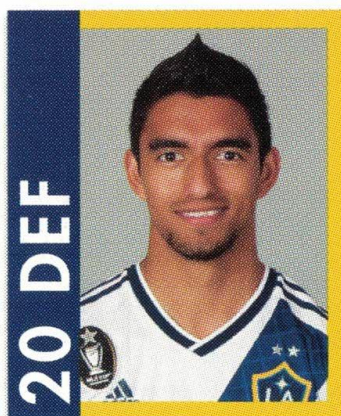
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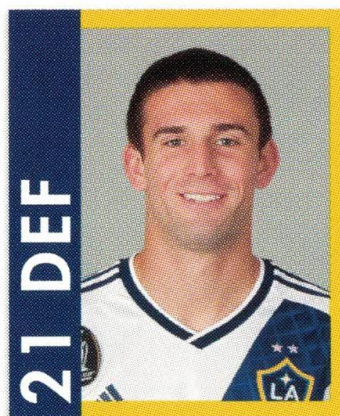
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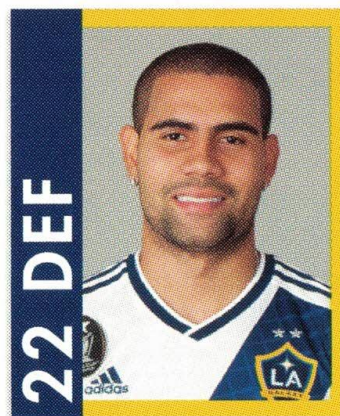
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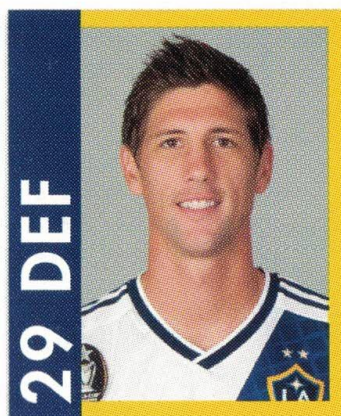
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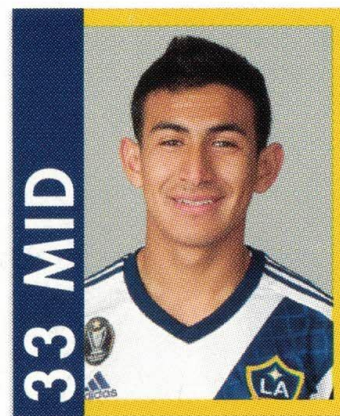
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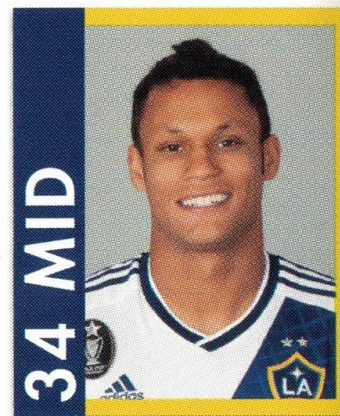
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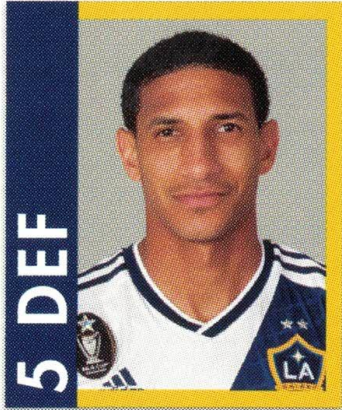


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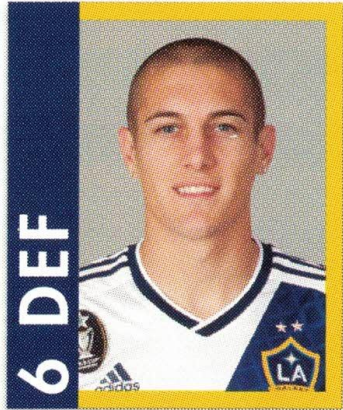


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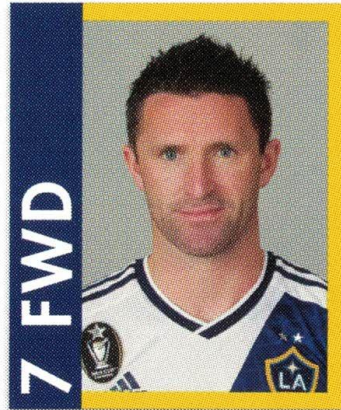
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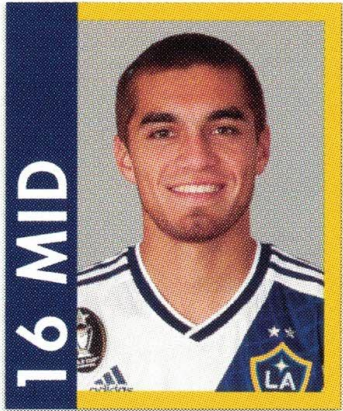
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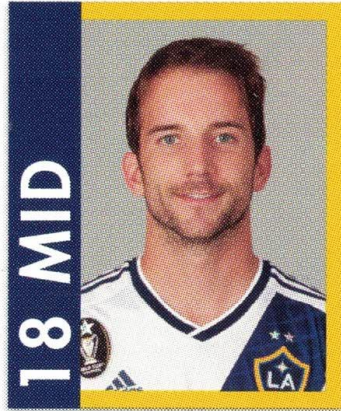
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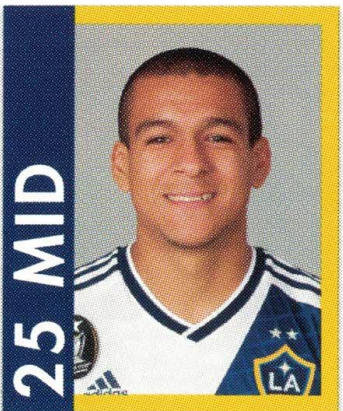
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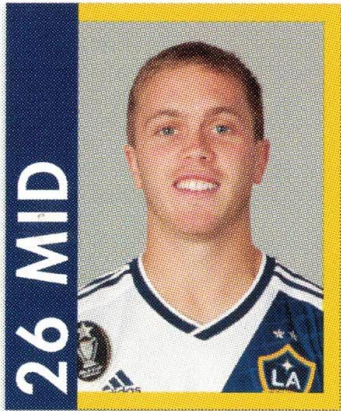
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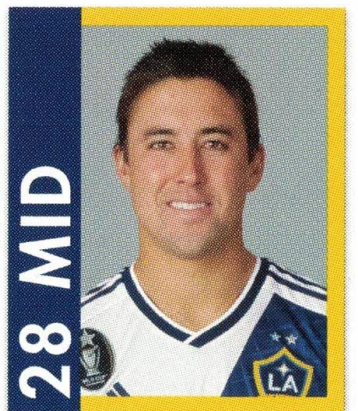
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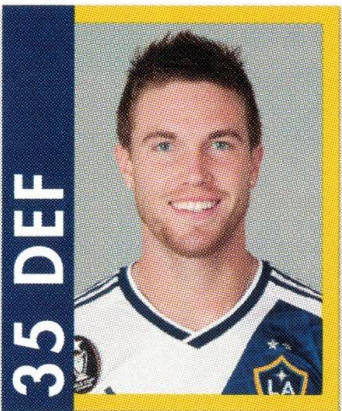
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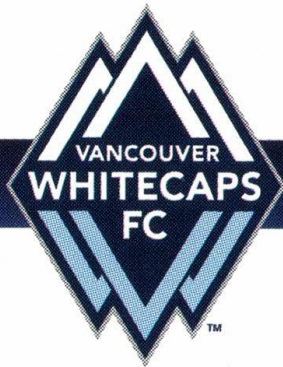
Bryan **GAUL**



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TONIGHT'S OPPONENT

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H EADING into tonight's third and final regular season clash against the LA Galaxy this evening, the Vancouver Whitecaps FC have to be frustrated with their previous two results. Following a 3-0 loss at The Home Depot Center in June, the Whitecaps had a chance to even the series and widen the gap between themselves and the then-fifth place Galaxy with a 2-0 lead and only 10 minutes remaining at BC Place Stadium. Two wonder-strikes later, the first courtesy of David Beckham and the second by rookie Jose Villarreal, Vancouver found themselves with a disappointing draw and somber musings of what might have been.

Since that game, the two teams have gone in opposite directions. The Galaxy have captured 13 out of a possible 18 points and moved squarely into fourth place, now taking aim at third place Real Salt Lake. Vancouver, on the other hand, have lost their way. A seemingly permanent fixture in the playoff hunt for much of the season, the Whitecaps have struggled with disciplinary issues and suspensions on their way to dropping four of their last five and losing three straight.

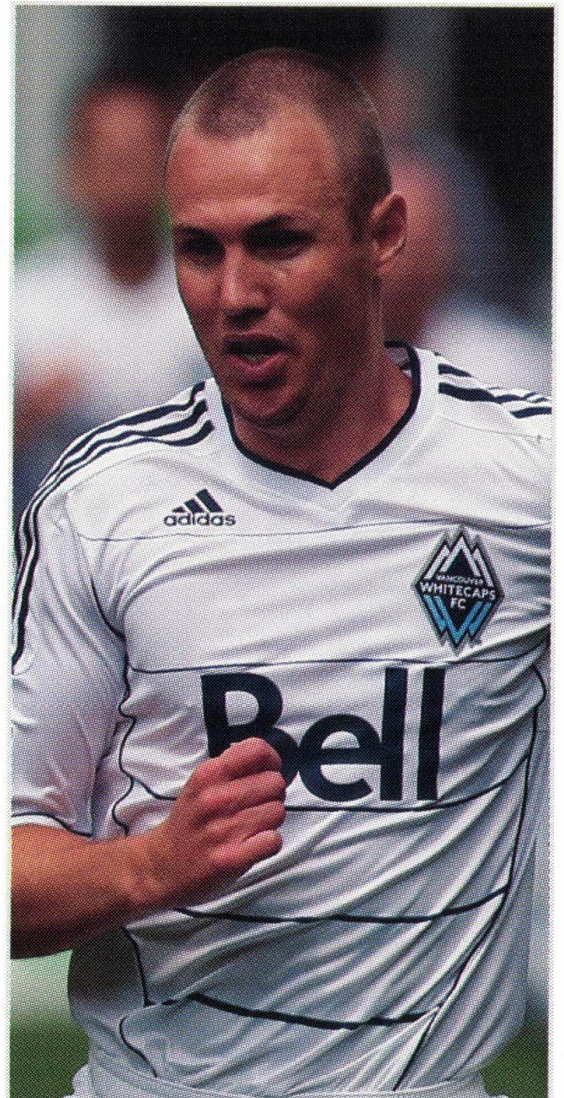
Much of the collapse has occurred on offense, where Vancouver have managed just four goals in their last five contests and were shutout by both Dallas and Seattle recently. Vancouver will be hard-pressed to improve on that tonight, as leading scorer Darren Mattocks will sit the game out due to suspension after receiving a straight red against Portland last weekend. The loss of Mattocks means Head Coach Martin Rennie will likely call upon Scottish International Kenny Miller to start, in hopes that Miller can build upon his performance against the Timbers where he scored his first goal in a Vancouver uniform. Miller will be joined up front by Brazilian winger Camilo, the only player outside of Mattocks on the roster with more than two goals.

The rest of Vancouver's production will come from a lively midfield, led by Barry Robson, Dane Richards and promising Ghanaian youngster Gershon Koffie. Koffie and Robson, having both taken their fair share of shots on goal this season, will press forward in an attempt to compensate for the Mattocks' absence. That being said, Vancouver isn't much of a high-scoring club regardless: Their goal-differential of -6 is the fifth worst in the league.

The Whitecaps real strength presents itself in the form of a few solid defenders in front of goalkeeper Joe Cannon. American international Jay Demerit and big Irish import Andy O'Brian will martial the defense from the center, with Alain Rochat and steady Korean fullback Young-Pyo Lee providing support on either side. Vancouver need a win to hold off Dallas' late surge and pull even with the Galaxy, but Rennie could be very comfortable with the idea pulling back and allowing the defense to bide their time in hopes of scoring off a counter or set piece.

VANCOUVER WHITECAPS FC EXPECTED LINEUP(4-5-1):

Joe Cannon; Young-Pyo Lee, Martin Bonjour, Jay DeMerit, Alain Rochat; Jun Marques Davidson, Gershon Koffie, Dane Richards, Barry Robson, Camilo; Kenny Miller.



KEY MAN: KENNY MILLER

With top scorer Darren Mattocks suspended, more of Vancouver's scoring burden will fall onto the shoulders of Scottish forward Kenny Miller. Signed by the club from Cardiff City in July, Miller has taken time to adjust to his new surroundings but is beginning to show flashes of just why Martin Rennie is so high on him. He scored the first goal of his Whitecaps FC career on Saturday against Portland, but it was not enough to secure three points for his side. He will be looking to get back on the scoresheet, something that Vancouver have never done against on the road against LA, and help his side snap their three-game losing streak.

LAST GAME

LA GALAXY 4, PUERTO RICO ISLANDERS 0



SCORING SUMMARY

LA – Tommy Meyer 1 7'
LA – Jose Villarreal 1 46'
LA – Jack McBean 1 80'
LA – Michael Stephens 1 82'

MISCONDUCT SUMMARY

None

LINEUPS

LA GALAXY LA Galaxy: Brian Perk; Hector Jimenez, Tommy Meyer, Andrew Boyens, Bryan Gaul; Michael Stephens, Kenney Walker, Rafael Garcia, Pat Noonan© (Edson Buddle 71'); Jose Villarreal (Sean Franklin 52'), Jack McBean (Marcelo Sarvas 82').

SUBS NOT USED: Brian Rowe, A.J. DeLaGarza, David Beckham, Mike Magee.

PUERTO RICO ISLANDERS Richard Martin; Edson Edward (Christian Ibeagha 65'), Anthony Vasquez, Richard Martinez, Paraskevas Pantazopoulos; Justin Fojo, Osei Teleford, Noah Delgado© (Yaw Danso 81'), Christopher Nurse, Gregory Richardson (Hector Ramos 69'); Nicolas Addlery.

SUBS NOT USED: Cody Laurendi, Marco Velez, Alexis Rivera, Tyler Wilson.

REFEREE

Jafeth Perea (PAN)

Wednesday, August 29, 2012

The Home Depot Center – Carson, Calif.

CONCACAF Champions League – Group 5 – Week 3

The LA Galaxy made it a perfect two-for-two to start in the 2012/13 CONCACAF Champions League with a 4-0 win over the Puerto Rico Islanders on Wednesday night at The Home Depot Center. LA are now atop the table in Group 5 with six points from their two home games and a +7 goal differential.

Starting a young squad of mostly reserve players, LA got goals from four different players, including two rookies. All four goal scorers were 23-years-old or younger and none had scored in the Champions League before Wednesday.

The Galaxy opened the scoring early when Tommy Meyer headed home a Kenney Walker corner kick in the seventh minute, giving LA a 1-0 lead. The goal was the first of his professional career for Meyer, who was making his first appearance for the club in an official match since the U.S. Open Cup defeat to Carolina on May 29.

The Islanders held LA scoreless for the rest of the opening half, but it did not take long after the break for another LA rookie to find the back of the net. Less than a minute after the restart, Jose Villarreal ran down a flick-on by Jack McBean and fought off two defenders to get past the keeper and poke the ball home from the top of the penalty area. Villarreal stayed down after the goal, taking a

knock to the back of his head and was subbed off. Villarreal has now been on the scoresheet in the Galaxy's last two contests, recording an assist in the team's 2-0 MLS win over FC Dallas last Sunday.

McBean got a goal of his own in the 80th minute, following his own blocked shot to score his first goal of 2012. The 17-year-old received a cross from Michael Stephens inside the six-yard box and after his initial shot was blocked, the rebound fell down onto his left foot for an easy finish.

LA quickly tacked on a fourth goal, with Stephens scoring in the 82nd minute when he received the ball with space in the center of the box and drove his shot into the net, giving the Galaxy a 4-0 win and their largest margin of victory ever in the Champions League.

Brian Perk played the full 90 minutes in goal, keeping the Islanders off the scoresheet in his CCL debut. Perk made two saves in the process of keeping his first shutout of the season.

In their first Champions League match of the 2012/13 competition, LA beat Isidro Metapan 5-2 on August 23. Their +7 goal differential is an advantage for LA as they now have to play their final two games of the CCL Group Stage on the road.

The Galaxy return to Champions League action on September 19, with the return match against the Islanders at Juan Ramón Loubriel Stadium in Puerto Rico. LA finish up Group 5 play on October 25 when they travel to El Salvador to take on Metapan.

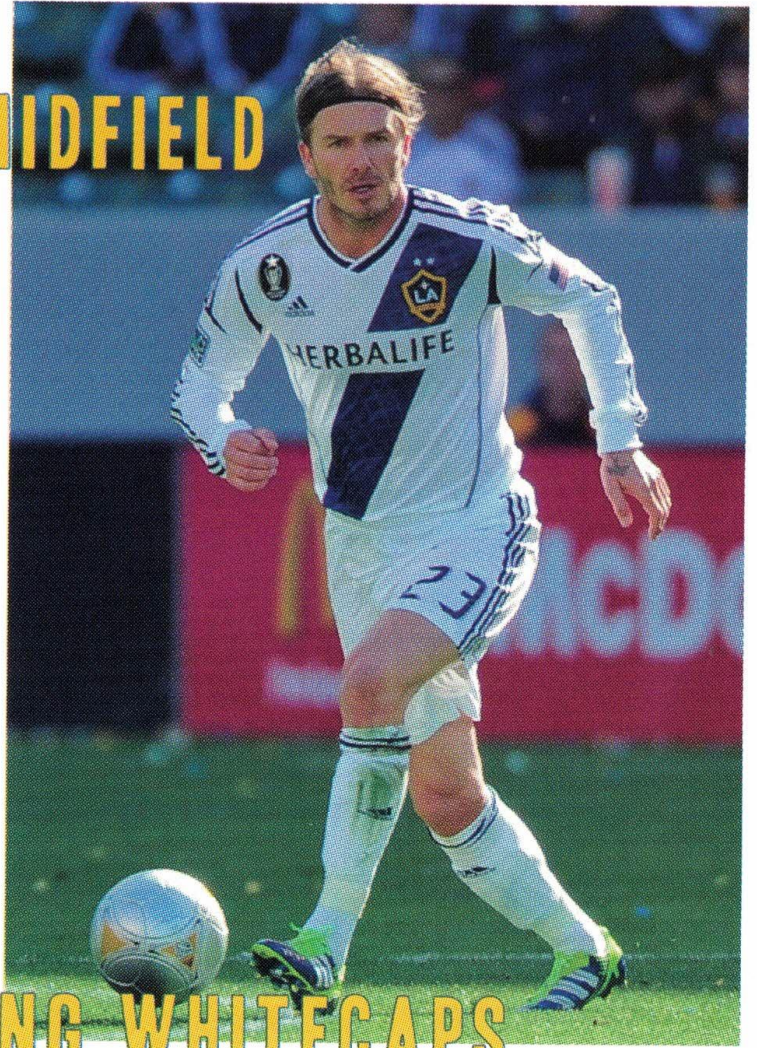
LA GALAXY INSIDER ADAM SERRANO PROVIDES HIS THREE KEYS LOOKING AHEAD TO TONIGHT'S GAME AGAINST VANCOUVER WHITECAPS FC

1 CONTROL THE MIDFIELD

Tonight's match will come down to the battle in the middle between LA's midfield combination of Juninho and David Beckham against the talented Vancouver trio of Barry Robson, Camilo and Dane Richards.

Led by Robson, the Vancouver midfield had great success against the LA Galaxy during the club's last meeting in July as the Whitecaps dominated the first half before the Galaxy fought back for a 2-2 draw.

As they did in the late stages of July's draw at BC Place, the duo of Beckham and Juninho must pressure the Whitecaps' midfield and prevent them from using their speed to create scoring opportunities. If LA can control the tempo, it will allow the midfield to create chances for an offense Galaxy offense that has scored an impressive seven goals in their last three league games.



2 STOP SPUTTERING WHITECAPS

The Whitecaps may be holding on to the fifth and final Western Conference playoff chase, but Vancouver has struggled as of late, dropping their last three and scoring just one goal in that span.

On both sides of the ball, the normally steady Whitecaps defense has shown a difficulty at stopping scoring chances while their dynamic attack has looked toothless as of late. This is a stark contrast to the Galaxy, who are flying high at the moment in the midst of a three-game unbeaten run in league play.

With the Whitecaps looking to break out of their recent doldrums with a fast start, the onus will fall upon LA's center backs A.J. DeLaGarza and Omar Gonzalez to silence Vancouver's talented attack.

3 PLAYOFF PREVIEW?

The match will serve as potential playoff preview for both clubs as the two teams currently find themselves locked in the fourth and fifth spot in the Western Conference standings respectively.

If the season ended today, the two teams would find themselves facing off against one another in the 2012 MLS Cup Play-In Round for the right to play the West's first place team—currently the San Jose Earthquakes—in the Conference Semifinals.

With both teams fighting to move up the table and solidify their playoff positioning, this promises to be a high-intensity match. Ultimately, the team that is able to rise to the occasion will be able to earn three points.

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October

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Jersey-Off-the-Back Auction

FOOD DRIVE SAVE THE DATE

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Saturday, September 22, 2012

September is Hunger Action Month and the LA Galaxy, United Healthcare and Macys are asking you to join in the fight by donating five (5) canned food items or \$5.00 prior to the Galaxy vs. Rapids game to benefit the LA Regional Foodbank.

The first 200 donors will receive a United Healthcare Drive Series player card signed by Galaxy forward #14 Edwson Buddle and a cooler bag. All donors will be entered into a drawing to receive an adidas LA Galaxy soccer ball signed by members of the 2012 team.

All donations will benefit the Los Angeles Regional Foodbank. For more information on the LA Regional Foodbank, please visit lafoodbank.org.

ITEMS MOST NEEDED:

- Canned vegetables
- Canned fruits
- Peanut butter
- Spaghetti
- Non-perishable, food items
- Canned meats, i.e. tuna, chicken, Spam

Please visit the LA Galaxy Foundation booth or lagalaxyfoundation.com for complete information on all outreach endeavors.



PREPARING FOR THE STRETCH RUN

STARTING TONIGHT, the LA Galaxy's schedule becomes a seven-game fight to finish not only in the playoff picture, but also in terms of final seeding. With the way that the 2012 season has gone for LA, that is nothing new for this team—they have been battling all season.

There was a time in the 2012 campaign when the LA Galaxy's discussion of the playoffs was simply about fighting their way in and having a puncher's chance in the knockout format. It was strange talk for a team largely unchanged from the one that had roared through the 2011 season, winning both the Supporters' Shield and the MLS Cup. But that was the reality of the Galaxy's start this season, the team never seemed to click.

Sometimes you have to hit rock bottom, or at least get close before you can make a change and turn things around. For the Galaxy that breaking point came with a three week break from the end of May into June. Prior to the extended break, LA had taken just 12 points from 15 games. The Galaxy came out of the break rejuvenated, winning three games consecutively following the time off.

"It's been a great run. I think when we had that extended break it really refocused us and we played very well since then," defender Todd Dunivant said following last weekend's 2-0 win over sixth-place FC Dallas. "And now we're coming down to the most important part of the season and we're playing well so that's a good sign.

"A lot of these games are conference games and teams we're trying to catch," he added. "We still have Salt Lake again and Seattle again, so these are big games for us."

The Galaxy have the fate of their playoff positioning squarely in their own hands. Of LA's final seven regular season games, six of them are against Western Conference opponents and four of them, including tonight's matchup with Vancouver, are against the other teams currently in the

top-5. Additionally, the Galaxy will get one more game against each team that currently sits above them: Real Salt Lake, Seattle Sounders FC and the San Jose Earthquakes.

“It gives us the opportunity to really gain ground on people, I think we still play everybody that’s ahead of us at least once, so if you win those games you can really make up ground quickly and that’s what we want to do starting this weekend against Vancouver,” midfielder Michael Stephens said.

If the Galaxy hope to push higher up the table, they will need to overcome two teams who have foiled them all season. LA is winless in four games this year against Seattle and San Jose, dropping those games by a combined score of 13-5, even though the two opponents have provided very different types of contests.

Seattle’s green has been kryptonite to the Galaxy with LA losing an early-season match 2-0 and then losing in August 4-0. Conversely, LA’s California Clasico matches with San Jose have provided drama and excitement, each game being decided by one goal, 3-2 and then 4-3, with San Jose coming from behind to win each time.

The MLS playoff format allows for the top five teams from each conference to qualify for the postseason. The fourth and fifth seeded teams

must play an opening round game against one another to determine who fills the fourth and final spot in the conference semifinals. Both the conference semifinals and finals are two-leg rounds with each team playing a home game. The MLS Cup is then a single match hosted by the higher seed.

While it isn’t called a play-in game or a wildcard match that opening round game is one that teams would prefer to avoid if given the chance. The playoffs are notoriously a time when “anything can happen” and opening with a single knockout game is far more dangerous than a home-and-home semifinal.

When asked on Sunday about the Galaxy making a push for another Supporters’ Shield, Dunivant responded noncommittally.

“That’s not necessarily on our minds. I mean, we’d love to, and you’d love to win out, but that’s not necessarily realistic and that’s not necessarily the right mentality,” the veteran defender said. “For us, it’s just about climbing the table. We wanted to get in the playoffs and we wanted to get to fourth, and obviously you just want to just keep playing and that’s our goal. We’re not looking at trying to win the [Supporters’] Shield at this point. That’s not on our radar, if that happens, that would be great but that’s not something we’re talking about day to day.” ■

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FIVE QUESTIONS WITH **TODD DUNIVANT**

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TODD DUNIVANT IS NOT KNOWN FOR HIS goal scoring prowess, but when needed the 10-year MLS defender is the picture of cool in front of goal. Last week, when faced with a one-on-one situation with FC Dallas goalkeeper Kevin Hartman, one of the best goalkeepers in league history, Dunivant calmly slotted the ball past the keeper into the back of the net, sealing a 2-0 win for LA.

He didn't rush, he didn't panic. Dunivant coolly took his shot and helped the Galaxy get an important win over a conference rival. The victory vaulted the Galaxy to fourth place, three points ahead of tonight's opponent, Vancouver Whitecaps FC, and three points behind both Seattle and Real Salt Lake, each of who still have to visit The Home Depot Center this season. The top five teams in each conference will advance to the playoffs this season, but only the top three advance directly to the conference semifinals as the teams that finished fourth and fifth will compete in a single-elimination game to see who advances.

We caught up with Dunivant this week to talk about his goal, the team's recent string of games and tonight's opponent...

HOW DID IT FEEL TO PLAY SUCH A BIG ROLE IN THE WIN OVER DALLAS?

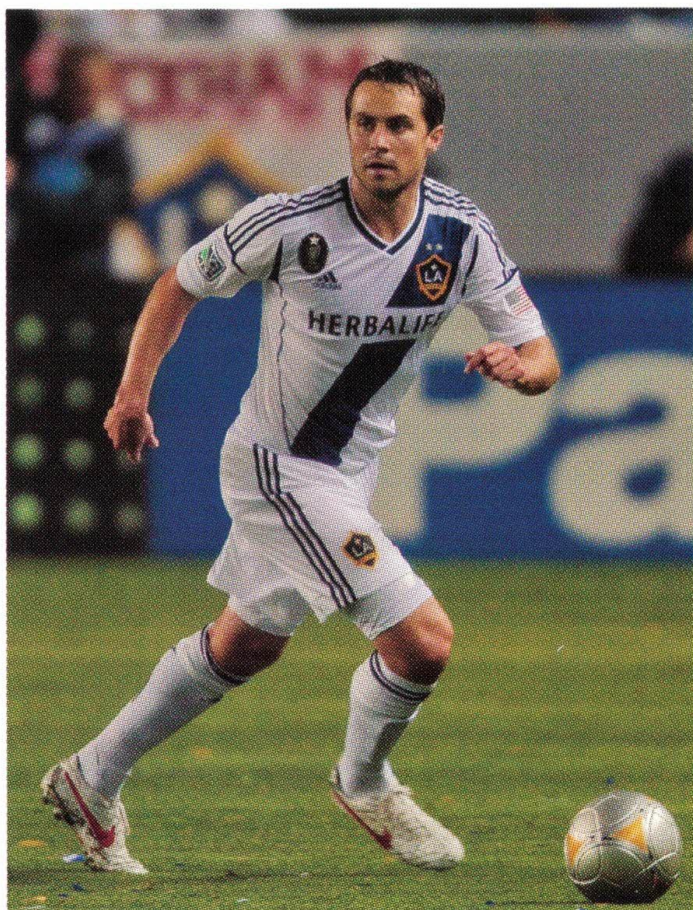
TD: It was good, we had a lead but Dallas is such a dangerous team that they were putting a lot of pressure on us. So, to get the second goal was nice because it took a little pressure off and kind of sealed the win for us.

WITH THE GOAL YOU TIED YOUR CAREER-HIGH FOR GOALS IN A SEASON, DO YOU THINK YOU CAN SCORE A THIRD GOAL AND SET A NEW PERSONAL BEST?

TD: Certainly, I'd like to have that happen. It's great. They've been important goals too, which is the best part. The Portland [Timbers] goal was big and this was another good one so, it was good. Any way to help out the team, you know, not just to help out defensively, but help out on the offensive end is nice. It's definitely an added bonus.

SPEAKING OF DEFENSE, HOW HAS IT BEEN TO BE PLAYING ALONGSIDE A.J., OMAR AND SEAN ONCE AGAIN?

TD: It's great, I think we've been without that back four for pretty much all year until the last couple of games and I think you've seen a big difference. We obviously are very familiar with each other and have played with each other now for four years and that makes a difference. Over time you learn each other's strengths and weaknesses and we're able to cover for each other.



We're as good as any back four as, I think, there is in this league. We proved it last year and we proved it really over the last three seasons, so to get that group back has been a huge difference and we're starting to get more shutouts now and more wins, so it's all good.

LIKE YOU SAID, THE TEAM IS ENJOYING A RECENT RUN OF SUCCESS. WHAT DO YOU ATTRIBUTE THAT TO?

TD: I think it's a lot of things. I think that the beginning of the year was frustrating for us and we started off slowly, but we've kind of worked through all those things, and there's still things we got to improve. Defensively we're still working and I think the offense is playing great. Our forwards are scoring a lot of goals and it makes our job easier. And if we can start getting shutouts it will make their job easier, so I think everyone's kind of picking each other up now and the team's growing in confidence and that's a good sign going into the final stretch.

WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS ON TONIGHT'S OPPONENT, VANCOUVER WHITECAPS FC?

TD: Vancouver's a dangerous team. They have very good attacking players, particularly on my side, their right back likes to get forward, Young-Pyo Lee, he is very dangerous and always trying to overlap. So they have a lot of attacking strengths, we'll have a lot to deal with. So far this year, we've beat them in our place and then pulled out a tie there, but they always have dangerous wingers and big forwards up top so they'll be a handful.



CHECKING IN WITH EDSON

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FOR the first time in more than three months, Edson Buddle played in a game on Thursday night.

Buddle, who recently began training with the first team again, had not been on the field since playing 90 minutes and scoring a goal in the Galaxy's 2-1 loss to the Houston Dynamo on May 26. He took a knock to the knee that game and upon returning to L.A. it was revealed there was damage done to his meniscus that required surgery.

Just less than three months removed from that surgery, Buddle was back on the field, playing the final 20 minutes of the club's 4-0 win over Puerto Rico in the CONCACAF Champions League. The fans showed their support for the 2010 MLS All-Star by giving him a warm reception when he came on for Pat Noonan.

Buddle, who rejoined the club in January, did not score a goal or get an assist, but just being out on the field was victory enough for him. We caught up with Buddle after the game to get his thoughts on his return...

HOW DID IT FEEL TO BE BACK ON THE FIELD?

"It felt good. I was a little cautious, but I think, through the medical staff, I was ready to go out there and push as hard as I can. But at the same time, I

was aware that it is my first game. There's definitely some room for improvement, but it's a good start."

WHAT DID YOU THINK OF THE OVATION THE FANS GAVE YOU WHEN YOU CAME ON?

"It was great. It lets me know that they remember me plus it encourages to keep working hard. I put a lot less pressure on myself when I'm injured. But because the team was doing well and it didn't force me to come back too early."

BECAUSE OF THE TEAM'S SUCCESS, HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT BEING IN A POSITION IN WHICH YOU HAVE TO PLAY YOUR WAY BACK INTO THE LINEUP?

"It's something that I've done before in my career. I think that I've played a long time now and it helps my game and makes me a better player. (The team playing well) kind of helped my injury because Bruce was in a good mood everyday and didn't put any pressure on me to get back because the team is doing well right now and it allowed me to heal properly."

WHAT GOALS HAVE YOU SET FOR YOURSELF FOR THE STRETCH RUN?

"Score goals. Anyway I can. Just do what I've done in the past."



ACADEMY



This year could be the year that the LA Galaxy U-18's win it all.

There are a couple of new faces on the team, but the core of the roster is still made up of members that captured the 2010-11 U-16 U.S. Soccer Development Academy national championship. With a roster that includes the likes of Jack McBean, who is in his second season with the first team, Justin Dhillon, who scored 24 goals in 29 games last season, and Raul Mendiola, the two-time U.S. Soccer Development Academy Player of the Year winner, the Galaxy will undoubtedly be considered the favorites in the early going.

McBean and Dhillon were part of the team that won U-16 title in Milwaukee in 2011, as were Josh McNeely, the starting goalkeeper on that day, Drew Murphy, last year's leading goal scorer with the U-18's, Willie Raygoza, the captain of that squad, and Sebastian Velasquez, a talented midfielder with tremendous dribbling skills. Bolstering the squad even more are defender Nathan Smith, a member of the United States team that won the U-17 CONCACAF Championships last year, Oscar Sorto, a starter on last year's U-18 squad that won the SoCal Division title,

and Jaime Villarreal, the younger brother of LA Galaxy rookie Jose Villarreal.

The U-18 team will kick off the 2012-13 season at home against the Seattle Sounders FC on Saturday, September 8, same weekend the other five teams in the Galaxy's Academy program begin their seasons as well.

The Galaxy U-12 team, under the tutelage of former MLS midfielder Ted Eck, starts their campaign against Real So Cal at North Torrance High School at 9 a.m. The Galaxy U-13 team, coached by Braeden Cloutier, begins their season at 2:10 p.m. against FC Golden State at Veteran Sports Park in Pomona.

Former MLS forward Ante Razov makes his Academy coaching debut on Sunday, September 9 at 2:35 p.m., when the Galaxy U-14's taken on Pateadores at Hollywood High School. The Galaxy U-15's play their season opener on Saturday, September 8 at 2:10 p.m. against Real So Cal at Oak Park High School. The U-15 team is coached by former MLS defender Alex Yi, who is assisted by current Galaxy defender Andrew Boyens.

All four of these teams play in the Southern California Development Soccer League, which was created last

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year and this year has doubled the number of teams and added a third flight to its competition.

The Galaxy U-16 and U-18 teams play in the U.S. Soccer Development Academy, the premier youth soccer competition in the country for that age group. Both teams play in the SoCal Division of the Western Conference.

Last year, having graduated many of its players that won the national championship the year before, the Galaxy U-16's were unable to repeat as national champions team but did win the SoCal Division. This year, the goal is to win it all again.

Second-year head coach Craig Harrington, who replaced Kenny Arena at the midway point last season, will count on returning captain Rolando Muñoz to lead to the playoffs again. Along with Muñoz, who recently joined the U.S. U-17 National Team Residency Program, is joined by newcomers Haji Wright, Abraham Romero, both of who were part of the most recent U.S. U-14 training camp, and Christian Onalfo, the eldest son of Galaxy Assistant Coach Curt Onalfo.

The Galaxy U-16's start their season Saturday, September 8 at 12:30 p.m. against Seattle Sounders FC at The Home Depot Center. It is the first of two games that weekend as the team will also host the Portland Timbers the following day at The Home Depot Center at 12:30 p.m.

Prior to the U-16's games, the Galaxy U-18's take the field against Seattle and Portland on those days at 10 a.m. This is the first year Portland is playing in the Development Academy, while Seattle's U-16's finished second in the Northwest Division and their U-18's finished third in their division.

U-12 ROSTER

NO.	NAME	BIRTH YEAR	HOMETOWN
1	Aaron Cervantes	2002	Chino Hills
3	Connor Darras	2001	Upland
4	Marcos Rosales	2001	Thermal
6	Gabriel Arredondo	2001	Chino
7	Mateo Godoy	2000	West Los Angeles
8	Marco Isodoro	2003	Los Angeles
9	Chase Marion	2002	Rancho Santa Fe
10	Jonah Lipel	2000	Encino
11	Jackson Page	2001	Pacific Palisades
12	Alejandro Alvarado	2003	Los Angeles
13	Ajufoh Chiweia	2001	Torrance
14	Henry Smith-Hastie	2000	Brentwood
15	Spencer Fleurant	2001	Alta Loma
16	Ryan Lane	2001	Santa Monica
35	Nathan Tong	2001	Diamond Bar

U-13 ROSTER

NO.	NAME	BIRTH YEAR	HOMETOWN
1	Alain Hernandez	1999	Downey
2	Brecc Evans	1999	Culver City
3	Christopher Baybrooke	1999	Hermosa Beach
4	Cristian Marion	2000	Rancho Santa Fe
5	Angelo Flacco	2000	Maui, Hawaii
7	Jose Ortiz	1999	Hawaiin Gardens
8	Jacob Muchnick	2000	Newport Beach
9	Nicholas Baybrooke	1999	Hermosa Beach
10	Arturo Vasquez	2000	Mira Loma
11	Sergio Flores	2000	Lakewood
12	Jordan Aldama	1999	Torrance
13	Jose Sosa	1999	Anaheim
17	Lucas Rosales	1999	Thermal
20	Callum Stretch	1999	Encino
21	Tristan Trager	1999	San Clemente

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U-14 ROSTER

NO.	POS.	NAME	BIRTH YEAR	HOMETOWN
1	GK	Eric Lopez		
2	D	Edger Salazar	1999	Santa Clarita
3	D	Jorge Cardona	1999	Whittier
4	M	Ian Lonergan	1999	Manhattan Beach
5	M	Ateno Ajeakwa	1999	Gardena
6	M	Leonardo Zulli	1999	Rancho Palos Verde
7	F	Darren Tahbaz	1998	Rancho Palos Verde
8	M	Juan Reyes	1998	Lynwood
9	M/F	Jesus Nunez	1999	Anaheim
10	M/F	Rahpa Diogo	1999	Culver City
12	GK	Adrian Perfecto	1998	Los Angeles
13	F	Pierce Williams	1998	Irvine
14	M/F	Rodrigo San Roman	1998	Irvine
15	F	Mark Nava	1999	Anaheim
16	M	Jackson Basil	1999	El Segundo
17	M/F	Patrick Murphy	1998	Los Angeles
18	CM	Colin Apel	1998	La Canada
20	D	Chase Paulson	1998	San Clemente
23	F	Brooklyn Beckham	1999	Beverly Hills
32	F	Salvador Segura (Chava)	1999	Bell Gardens

U-16 ROSTER

NO.	POS.	NAME	BIRTH YEAR	HOMETOWN
1	GK	Abraham Romero	1998	Altadena
4	D	Elan Koenig	1997	Los Angeles
5	F	Ivan Cannales	1997	Santa Ana
6	M	Christian Segovia	1997	Tarzana
7	F/M	Adrian Vera	1997	Norwalk
10	F	Haji Wright	1998	Los Angeles
15	D	Alex Ramos	1997	Reseda
19	F	Christian Chavez	1996	Fontana
20	D	Christian Onalfo	1997	Manhattan Beach
21	D	Juan Reyna	1996	Santa Ana
21	GK	Bennet Sneddon	1997	Calabasas
36	D	Manny Padilla	1996	Long Beach
43	D	Justin Shottenhammer	1997	Manhattan Beach
44	GK	Micheal Suchy	1997	Aliso Viejo
50	M	Hugo Gutierrez	1996	Los Angeles
51	F	Ether Bustos	1997	San Juan Cap
53	M	Johnathan Ramirez	1997	Canoga Park
78	F	Steve Martinez	1996	Los Angeles
85	D	Micheal Lopez	1997	Cypress
tbd	M	Tony Royer	1996	Thousand Oaks
tbd	D	Taylor Takada	1996	Redondo Beach

U-15 ROSTER

NO.	POS.	NAME	BIRTH YEAR	HOMETOWN
1	GK	Michael Suchy	1997	Aliso Viejo
1	GK	Abraham Romero	1998	Pasadena
2	D	Andrew Sady Kennedy	1998	Ladera Ranch
3	D	Troy Paulson	1997	Manhattan Beach
4	M	Connor Ryan	1997	Santa Ana
7	D	Kosuke Ide	1998	Irvine
8	M	Fernando Robledo	1997	Torrance
9	F	Dylan Bielanski	1998	Castaic
10	D	Haji Wright	1998	Los Angeles
11	F	Cesar Farias Barbosa	1997	Willmington
12	GK	Pierce Ashworth	1998	Laguna Beach
13	F/M	Kaito Ishida	1998	Irvine
16	M	Enrique Bustamante	1998	La Puente
17	D	Brian O'Hara	1997	Corona
19	D	Hunter Ashworth	1998	Laguna Beach
21	F/D	Daniel Huizar	1997	Pomona
23	M	Elmer Guerra	1997	Los Angeles
28	F	Jeremy Fuentes	1997	Castaic
33	F/D	Ethan Lotenero	1998	Los Angeles
34	D	Gerardo Lopez	1998	Moreno Vally
45	F	Brandon Torres	1998	Culver City
55	GK	Jeffrey Huizar	1997	Los Angeles
	D	Carlos Cruz	1998	Lancaster

U-18 ROSTER

NO.	POS.	NAME	BIRTH YEAR	HOMETOWN
1	GK	Josh McNeely	1994	Calabassas
4	M	Rolando Munoz	1996	Rancho Cucuamo
4	D	Oscar Sorto	1994	Los Angeles
6	D	Juan Arellano	1995	Hawthorne
7	F	Jack McBean	1994	Newport Beach
9	F	Raul Mendiola	1994	Torrance
14	F	Aaron Lombardi	1995	Irvine
14	M	Mario Ortiz Flores	1995	Los Angeles
18	F	Jaime Villareal	1995	Inglewood
22	D	Nathan Castillo	1996	Downey
23	M	Bryan Guzman	1995	San Bernardino
27	GK	Daniel Slepukhin	1995	Torrance
29	M	Drew Murphy	1994	Palos Verdes
31	D	Nathan Smith	1994	Palos Verdes
34	D	Ivan Vasquz	1995	Fullerton
40	F	Justin Dhillon	1995	Rancho Santa Ma
45	M	William Raygoza	1995	El Monte
46	D	Vicnent Reyes	1995	West Covina
53	F	Sebastian Velasquez	1994	Hollywood
59	M	Mathew Perez	1995	Corona
88	F	Martin Arrietta	1995	Pasadena
	D	Cameron Marlow	1994	Redondo Beach



DID YOU KNOW

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- **JUNINHO HAD NEVER SCORED** more than two goals in a month before scoring five goals in all competitions for the Galaxy in August.



- **ALL SIX OF JUNINHO'S GOALS** this season have come in home games and they have all been scored into the goal at the South end of the stadium.
- **DEFENDER TODD DUNIVANT'S** goal against FC Dallas last weekend was his second of the season which tied a career-high. Both of Dunivant's goals have come in home shutouts for the Galaxy, with his first of the year being the game-winner on June 17 against Portland.
- **GALAXY GOALKEEPER** Josh Saunders is in line to make the 50th appearance of his MLS career in tonight's game. In his first 49 regular season games, Saunders has made 46 starts and recorded a 27-11-9 record with a 1.21 goals against average and 17 shutouts.
- **THE GALAXY'S VICE-CAPTAIN** this season, Robbie Keane has served as the club's captain five times in all competitions, tallying a goal or an assist in all five of those games and helping LA to a 3-1-1 record.
- **ALL FOUR PLAYERS** who scored for the Galaxy in their Champions League victory over Puerto Rico on Wednesday scored their first-ever goal in that competition in the game.
- **OF THE 29 PLAYERS** on the current Galaxy roster, all but goalkeeper Brian Rowe have started at least one game this season in all competitions.
- **THE GALAXY AND WHITECAPS FC** have played each other twice previously at The Home Depot Center with LA winning both games 3-0. Robbie Keane and Mike Magee scored in each of those games.
- **A TOTAL OF FIVE** Galaxy players have birthdays in the month of September, including Mike Magee who turns 28 tomorrow.
- **LA ARE JUST 1-5-0** in their first regular season game of a month this season and 11-6-4 in their other 21 games.

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