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2020 ALIGNMENT

2020 LEAGUE ONE TEAMS

Chattanooga Red Wolves SC
FC Tucson
Fort Lauderdale CF
Forward Madison FC
Greenville Triumph SC
New England Revolution II
North Texas SC
Orlando City B
Richmond Kickers
South Georgia Tormenta FC
Toronto FC II
Union Omaha

2020 KEY DATES

Regular Season Begins – July 18
USL League One Roster Freeze – September 18
Regular Season Ends – October 24
2020 USL League One Final – October 30

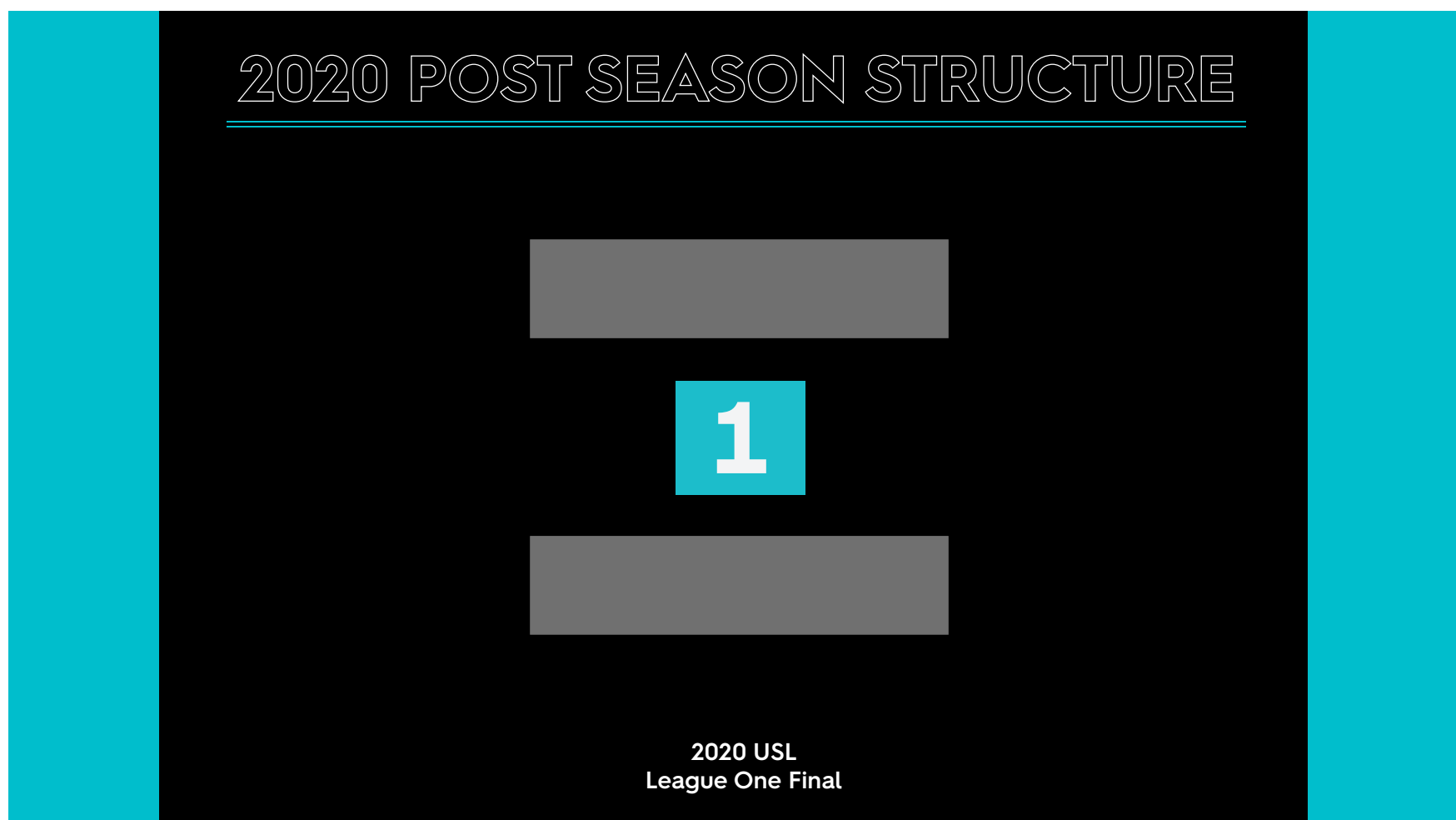
SEASON STRUCTURE

Regular Season Structure

The 2020 League One regular season will see each team play a total of 16 regular season games, with each club set to face every other team at least once over the course of the schedule.

Format For 2020 USL League One Post Season

The top two teams in the regular season will advance to the 2020 League One Final, which will be played the weekend following the conclusion of the regular season on Friday, October 30.





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TEAM OUTLOOK

Chattanooga Red Wolves SC sported one of the biggest contrasts in home and road form in League One in 2019, losing just once and picking up eight wins in 14 outings on home turf but claiming victory just twice on the road to finish one place out of the postseason. This offseason has brought some changes to the club with the appointment of Jimmy Obleda as Head Coach following the departure of Tim Hankinson late in the season, and there are some new faces on the field as well with Guam international Travis Nicklaw among the newcomers to the squad. The new arrivals appear to have started to mesh well with the returning hands, with midfielder Ualefi and forward Eamon Zayed both back with the side.

In the bigger picture, however, the future of the club is looking increasingly bright. The sale of naming rights for the soccer-specific stadium currently under construction to CHI Memorial was the latest partnership struck by the club, and if things progress according to schedule it could be the Red Wolves make their debut in their long-term home at some point this season.

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Forward

Steven Beattie was one of the Red Wolves’ leading lights in 2019, scoring a team-best nine goals and earning All-League First Team honors for his performance. He returns to lead what should be an improved attack in the club’s second year with the aim of pushing the side that little bit higher in the standings and into postseason action for the first time.



Alex Mangels
Goalkeeper

Alex Mangels was one of the other players from the Red Wolves’ inaugural roster that excelled to the tune of selection to the League One All-League Second Team as he recorded a league-high 85 saves and six shutouts on the campaign. The 27-year-old will hope to maintain his high standards as Chattanooga looks to make its first year at CHI Memorial Stadium a success.

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TEAM OUTLOOK

The ups and downs in FC Tucson's first season as a professional club meant that the side kept itself in with a chance of a playoff place, but a late fade that saw the side fail to take victory in its final six games (0-4-2) leave it off the pace. Most notably, Tucson struggled to string consecutive wins together, recording back-to-back victories only once all season. The offseason has brought numerous changes at the club, though, including the appointment of Amanda Powers as the first female club President in League One. A key figure in the off-field success of New Mexico United's launch, Powers is aiming to raise the atmosphere at Kino Sports Complex this season and ally the club more closely with its community and local business.

There has also been a change on the sideline with former Head Coach Darren Sawatzky departing to lead fellow League One side the Richmond Kickers. His replacement is John Galas, who brings with him experience from USL League Two at Lane United FC and as an assistant coach in Spain for Villarreal B. The club has also retained some talented pieces in Carlos Merancio, Raheem Somersall, Erik Virgen and Raheem Somersall, but with the number of newcomers arriving this year could be a fresh start at every level for the side as it enters its ninth season overall.



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Shak Adams
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A native of Nashville, Tenn., Shak Adams spent the past two summers training with Nashville SC when it competed in the USL Championship before being selected by the club in the Third Round of the 2020 MLS SuperDraft. His path in the professional ranks will begin in Tucson, however, after a stellar collegiate career at Florida Gulf Coast University that saw him record 23 goals and 16 assists in 71 appearances for the program. A big rookie season for the 21-year-old could lead to even bigger things in the future.



AJ Valenzuela
Defender

Having previously written his name into FC Tucson lore as the scorer of a bicycle-kick finish in the USL League Two Playoffs two years ago, Valenzuela returns to his hometown to begin his professional career excited for what lies ahead. The 6-foot-3 center back made 32 appearances over the past two seasons for San Diego State University, will look to make the most of his opportunity alongside some of his more experienced counterparts on the back line.

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TEAM OUTLOOK

As Fort Lauderdale enters its inaugural season in League One, an indicator of where this club might be heading comes through its Head Coach Jason Kreis. The hard-nosed former U.S. Men's National Team player – who also currently serves as the U.S. U-23 Men's National Team Coach – is going to expect plenty from his charges as they look to find success on the field, but also potentially graduate to the club's MLS squad in the future. On the playing side, there's some previous Championship and League One experience in the squad with goalkeeper Dylan Castanheira having played last season for Atlanta United 2 and Ricky Lopez Espin for Lansing Ignite FC. There's also Ian Fray, a 17-year-old defender who became the club's first professional signing from then Inter Miami CF Academy.

The most intriguing name on the roster, however, might be Blaine Ferri, who in 2017 was part of the United States U-17 National Team that competed at the FIFA U-17 World Cup in India. While others from that squad including Josh Sargent, Tim Weah and Serginho Dest have quickly progressed to the senior national team, Ferri's stint in Germany with SpVgg Greuther Furth II didn't quite work out, leaving Fort Lauderdale as the next step to try and fulfill his potential.



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Eduardo Sosa
Midfielder

Sosa was unable to make the breakthrough to consistent minutes with Columbus Crew SC over the past two seasons, but his experience in Major League Soccer – where he made 18 appearances in black and yellow – could come in useful as he makes the move to South Florida. If Sosa can make a consistent impact on the score-sheet in goals and assists it would give Fort Lauderdale a chance at a solid first season.



Ricky Lopez-Espin
Forward

Ricky Lopez-Espin has had a stop-start beginning to his professional career, but a return to South Florida for the Miami native could be just what he’s looking for to get things back on track. A player with Championship and League One experience, Lopez-Espin was briefly a solid contributor for Lansing Ignite last season as the side reached the postseason. The 24-year-old may be able to provide the goals Fort Lauderdale will need to be successful in its first year.

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TEAM OUTLOOK

Forward Madison FC was a sensation off the field in its inaugural season, winning over neutral fans with a glorious identity and gameday atmosphere that saw the Flamingos lead League One in attendance. Things were almost as good on the field, too, as FMFC reached the postseason before falling to eventual league champions North Texas SC. The next step for Head Coach Daryl Shore's side on the field will be finding a higher level of consistency over the regular season. When Madison was on its game, it could run with anyone in the league – the Flamingos were the only side to sport a winning record against North Texas in the regular season, winning twice – but it also suffered some disappointing defeats away that put the side under pressure down the stretch to reach the playoffs.

There are numerous key faces returning to the side, which should help the cause. Among them are defender Christian Diaz and forward Paulo Jr., both of whom earned All-League honors a season ago, while the veteran leadership of J.C. Banks and Don Smart is joined by powerful forward Wojciech Wojcik, who should prove a valuable addition to the club's front line. If it all clicks together, Madison could soar even higher in Year 2.

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Christian Diaz
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Having played in Liga MX early in his career for Atlas FC, Christian Diaz’s career had hit a snag late in 2017 when he was out of contract with his club in Mexico and looking for a new landing spot. Two years on, his arrival at Forward Madison FC placed him firmly on the map in the United States as his talent turned heads in the club’s first season. After training with Minnesota United FC this preseason, the 28-year-old is back to build on a sterling first year that saw him named to the League One All-League First Team as an invaluable member of Madison’s back line.



Wojciech Wojcik
Forward

In 2019, Wojciech Wojcik had his best season in the Championship acting as a super-sub for expansion side Hartford Athletic. The 27-year-old notched seven goals at a strike rate of a goal every 170.1 minutes while also posting four assists for a goals + assists rate per 90 minutes of 0.83. As he arrives in Madison, Wojciech will be looking to cement a position in the Flamingos starting lineup, and at 6-foot-4 he could be an ideal target forward for Paulo Jr., Don Smart and others to play off as Madison looking to ramp up its attack in 2020.

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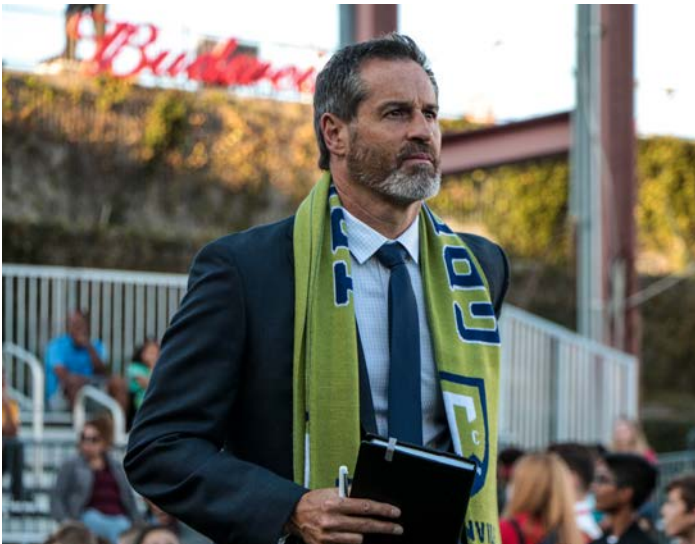
TEAM OUTLOOK

With a staunch defense that had three members named to the League One All-League First Team, Greenville Triumph SC came up one win short of the League One title in its inaugural season. As the side returns for season two under Head Coach John Harkes, though, it has tried to add more attacking firepower as it takes aim at going one better than its inaugural season.

One of those new faces is former South Georgia Tormenta FC forward Alex Morrell, who scored four goals in the inaugural campaign as well as writing his name into the League One Record Book as the first goalscorer in league history. Also arriving is Lachlan McLean, who scored 20 goals in 61 appearances for SIU Edwardsville collegiately. Both players will team up with returning forward Jake Keegan, who led Triumph SC with nine goals last campaign.

If the attack finds its bearings, the defense should be sure again with 2019 League One Goalkeeper of the Year Dallas Jaye and Defender of the Year finalist Tyler Polak in place to anchor the back line. While the side's third All-League selection, Kevin Politz, has moved on to the Championship's Hartford Athletic there are also some solid reinforcements on the way in the form of Cesar Murillo (North Texas SC) and Brandon Fricke (Lansing Ignite FC) that should keep Greenville steered in the right direction.

HEAD COACH

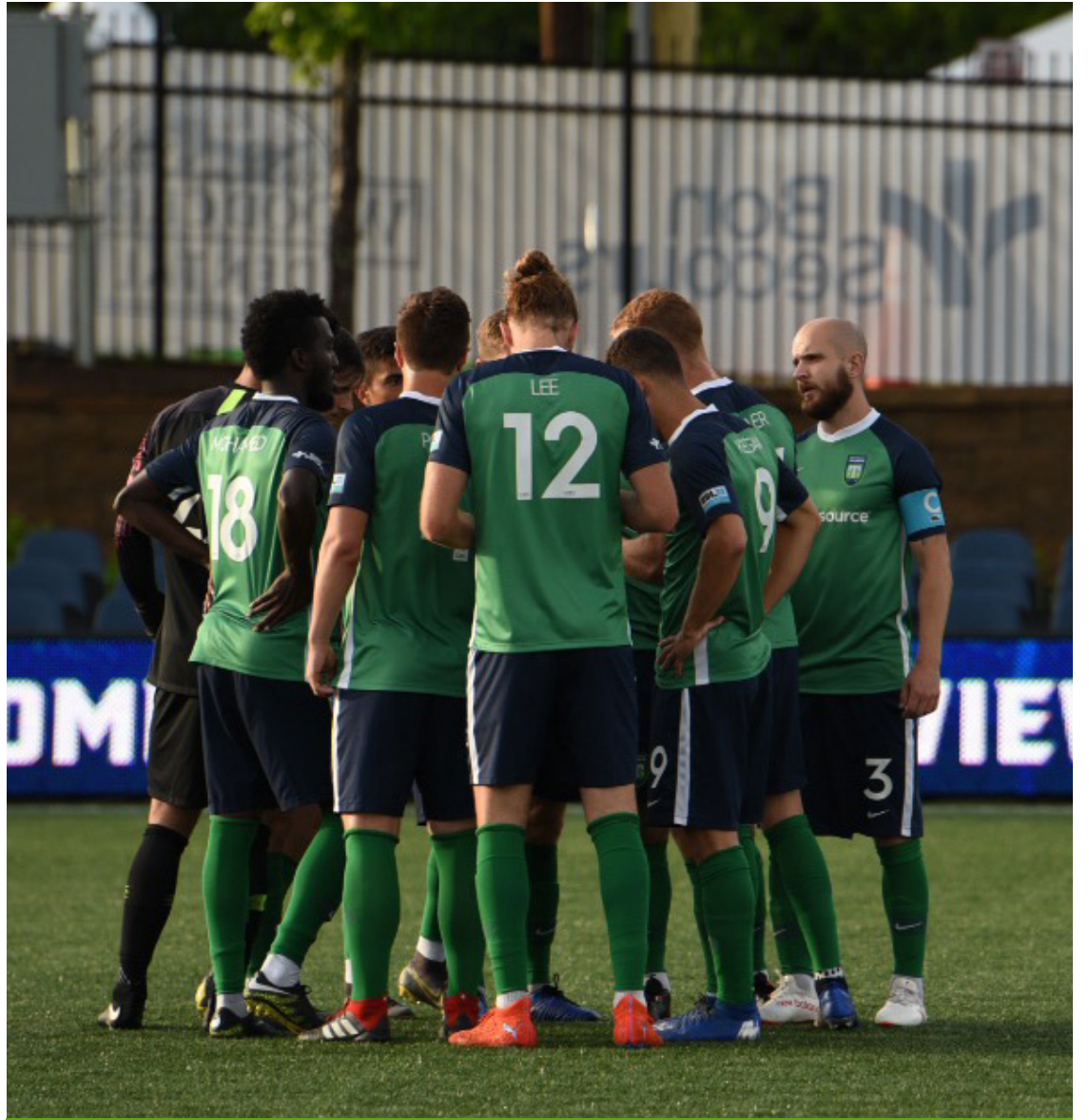


John Harkes

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Dallas Jaye
Goalkeeper

In his first three professional seasons, Dallas Jaye had the chance to learn the ropes from some top goalkeepers in the Championship at FC Cincinnati and Phoenix Rising FC. In Greenville, he seized his first opportunity to be the No. 1 with aplomb. Jaye’s 13 shutouts and 0.78 goals-against average were well ahead of his contemporaries in League One, and if he can put up similar numbers in 2020 then Triumph SC will be in the picture for silverware again.



Jake Keegan
Forward

The centerpiece of Greenville’s attack, Jake Keegan’s 2019 season came to a premature end due to injury, leaving the forward on the sidelines as the club reached the playoffs. As he returns to the side for 2020, however, Keegan could be the key to making Greenville’s attack go once again. His nine goals ranked first on the team and tied for fifth in League One, while his 20 key passes resulted in only once assist. If the club’s new additions can take advantage of what Keegan brings, Triumph SC’s attack should see an uptick in consistency this year.

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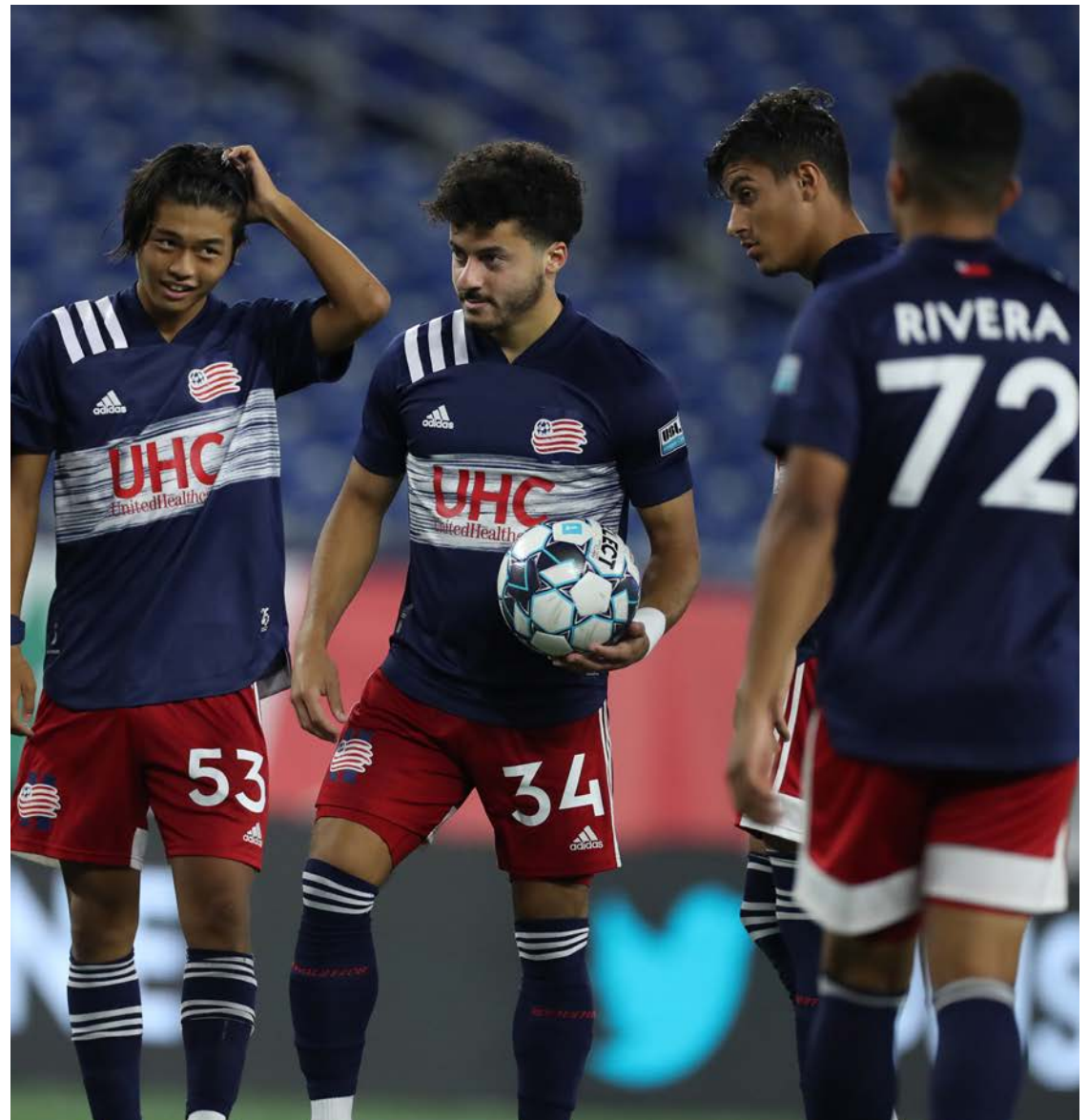
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TEAM OUTLOOK

Arriving alongside Fort Lauderdale CF and Union Omaha for its inaugural League One season, the Revolution II have built a squad that includes players that featured last season in the Championship and League One in Head Coach Clint Peay's roster that can form a strong base for the talent emerging from the Revolution to compete alongside.

A former player for Revolution Sporting Director Bruce Arena at D.C. United, Peay has built a strong resume as he steps into his first head coaching position in the professional ranks. In addition to stops in the college ranks at the Georgetown University, the University of Richmond, and George Mason University, Peay spent eight years working in the U.S. Youth National Team program before serving as an assistant coach at the Championship's North Carolina FC under Dave Sarachan in 2019.

In his squad are two former players from Loudoun United FC in forward Conner Presley - who also previously competed for San Antonio FC in the Championship - and defender Colin Verfuth, while the side also signed the Revolution's second and third selections in the 2020 MLS SuperDraft with the addition of defender Simon Lekressner from the University of California and goalkeeper Keegan Meyer from High Point University.



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After spending a season on loan in the Championship with Loudoun United FC a season ago, Orlando Sinclair joins the Revolution II on loan from Costa Rican powerhouse Saprissa looking to impress in the club's inaugural season. The 21-year-old recorded three goals in 24 appearances for Loudoun in the 2019 season but showed some creativity while recording 22 key passes for the first-year side in the Championship. A breakout campaign for New England could spark the forward's future opportunities either in his native Costa Rica or within the Revolution organization.



Simon Lekressner
Defender

The 30th overall selection in the 2020 MLS SuperDraft, Simon Lekressner showed a solid two-way ability in his senior season at the University of California, recording five goals and two assists while earning All-Pac 12 First Team honors and the United Soccer Coaches All-Far West Region Second Team. He now gets his first chance to impress in the professional ranks, and should be one of the regulars for Peay during the Revolution II's inaugural season.

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TEAM OUTLOOK

North Texas SC proved you could have it all in its first season in USL League One, not only thriving on the field and lifting the league's inaugural title but also seeing some of its top players make the move to become integral pieces in FC Dallas' squad for the 2020 Major League Soccer season. As it enters Year 2, there will be new faces, but the standard for Head Coach Eric Quill's side will remain as high as before.

The biggest change for North Texas in 2020, however, comes by way of their home venue. After playing its first year at Toyota Stadium, NTSC will make a new home at the refurbished Globe Life Park in Arlington. The former home of Major League Baseball's Texas Rangers, the stadium has undergone a renovation to bring stands close to the action for a regulation soccer field similar to that at Al Lang Stadium, home of the Championship's Tampa Bay Rowdies.

There will be changes on the field as well, though, with 2019 League One MVP Arturo Rodriguez (Real Monarchs SLC) and defender Brecc Evans (Austin Bold FC) both on loan in the Championship. Golden Boot-winner Ronaldo Damus returns, however, and is joined in the attack by former San Antonio striker Alex Bruce. As his brother heads to Utah, meanwhile, there could be a bigger role for 17-year-old David Rodriguez in midfield this season after logging a little over 1,000 minutes a season ago.

HEAD COACH



Eric Quill

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KEY PLAYERS



Ronaldo Damus
Forward

At 20 years old, Haitian forward Ronaldo Damus was outstanding throughout the 2019 season as he not only claimed the Golden Boot with 16 goals but was also nominated for both the League One MVP and Young Player of the Year award. Damus was edged out for both by then-teammate Arturo Rodriguez, but his performances earned him his first call-ups to the senior Haiti National Team. If he comes close to matching his performance of 2019 this season, North Texas will not only be a title contender again, but a bigger opportunity for Damus might be right around the corner.



Juan Alvarez
Defender

There's plenty of pedigree in Juan Alvarez's background as he joins North Texas SC on loan from Liga MX side CF Monterrey, but the 23-year-old will be looking to make the most of his season in Texas as he looks to take the next step in his career. Alvarez has made two appearances for Rayados in the Copa MX previously, and appeared eight times for Gavilanes F.C. Matamoros in the Mexican third tier in 2019. His experience should be useful for North Texas' youngsters, though, as they look to defend their crown.

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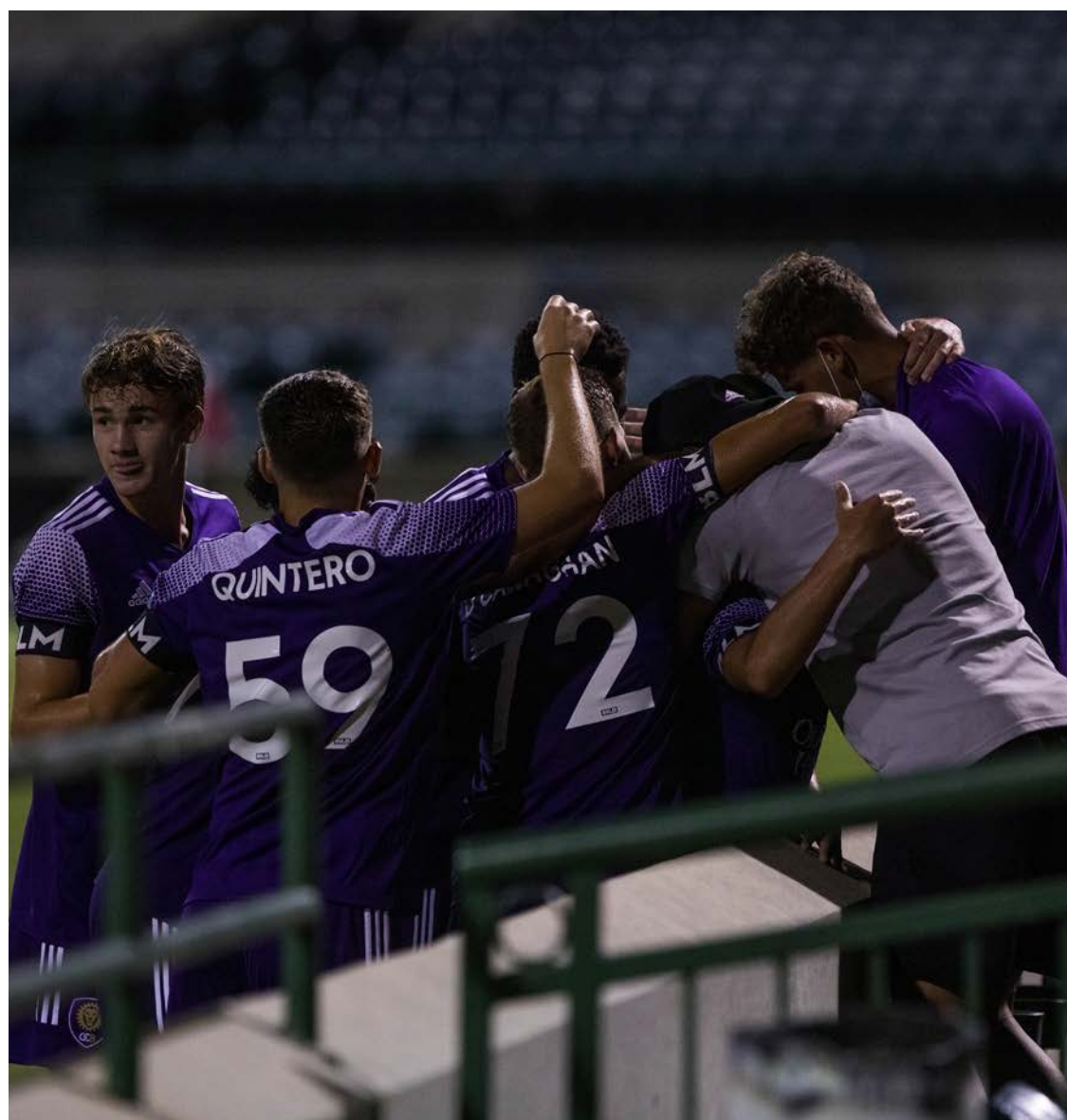
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TEAM OUTLOOK

Nothing quite went right on the field for Orlando City B in its inaugural season in League One as the side said goodbye to Head Coach Fernando De Argila midway through the campaign and won only four outings overall. Leading the side this season will be Marco Neveleff, who joined Orlando's organization midway through 2019 as its Academy Director, giving him the potential to bridge the divide between the club's youth ranks and its League One side.

There are other changes for OCB this season, particularly off the field where the side has moved into Osceola County Stadium in Kissimmee. A former home to Florida State League baseball, the venue has been renovated to provide a soccer-specific field ahead of the 2020 USL League One season and should allow for a heightened atmosphere with a 5,400-seat capacity.

On the field, there has been a substantial overhaul of the club's roster, with only Austin Amer having re-signed with the OCB for its second season. Among the newcomers are two 2020 MLS SuperDraft selections in former Providence College goalkeeper Austin Aviza and former Florida International University defender Nick O'Callaghan, but the side has also dipped into South America with the arrivals of players who most recently were competing in Argentina, Brazil, Colombia and Ecuador.



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Marcelo Neveleff

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KEY PLAYERS



Franklin Carabali
Defender

Franklin Carabali is set to be one of the older players on OCB’s squad this season, but the Ecuadorian center back brings top-level experience from his home country to his new club. The 23-year-old has made 21 appearances in LigaPro Serie A, and even made one appearance in the Copa Sudamericana, while competing for CD Universidad Catolica. With the level of youth around him in Orlando, Carabali will need to be one of the primary figures if OCB is going to tighten up a defense that conceded a league-high 52 goals last regular season.



Raul Aguilera
Forward

A product of Orlando City SC’s Academy, Raul Aguilera returns to the club in the professional ranks after spending the past three seasons at the University of North Carolina. The 20-year-old recorded two goals and six assists in 46 appearances for the Tar Heels, while also bringing experience from the U.S. Youth National Team program at the U-18 level. Orlando’s attack needs plenty of help after averaging less than a goal-per-game in the regular season a year ago, and will be hoping Aguilera is part of that solution.

2020 SCHEDULE

DATE	HOME		AWAY
08/01/2020	TRM	V	ORL
08/07/2020	NE	V	ORL
08/14/2020	ORL	V	FTL
8/18/2020	ORL	V	TUC
08/23/2020	MAD	V	ORL
08/28/2020	ORL	V	TRM
09/03/2020	ORL	V	NTX
09/06/2020	OMA	V	ORL
09/12/2020	FTL	V	ORL
09/19/2020	RIC	V	ORL
09/26/2020	ORL	V	NE
10/02/2020	GVL	V	ORL
10/10/2020	ORL	V	CHA
10/17/2020	TUC	V	ORL
10/21/2020	ORL	V	RIC
10/24/2020	ORL	V	GVL

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TEAM OUTLOOK

There were bright moments and performances at times from the Richmond Kickers in 2019, but the club's inconsistency – highlighted most in an eight-game winless streak that dug too deep a hole to emerge from to playoff contention – meant it ended the season off the pace. The result was a change on the sideline this offseason, with Darren Sawatzky appointed Head Coach in place of the departing David Bulow.

Sawatzky arrived from FC Tucson bullish on what can be accomplished at the club with the most extensive resume of any in League One. A solid core of returnees is back including All-League Second Team selection Wahab Ackwei and the veteran experience of goal-keeper Akira Fitzgerald and defenders Conor Shanosky and Scott Thomsen.

The Kickers will have to find a replacement in attack for All-League First Team selection Joe Gallardo, who was sold to the Championship's Real Monarchs SLC during the offseason, but there are some potential options among the club's newcomers including Stanley Alves, who scored 13 goals in three seasons at UMass Lowell, and Argentine veteran Emiliano Terzaghi, who has top-flight experience in Argentina in his resume.

HEAD COACH

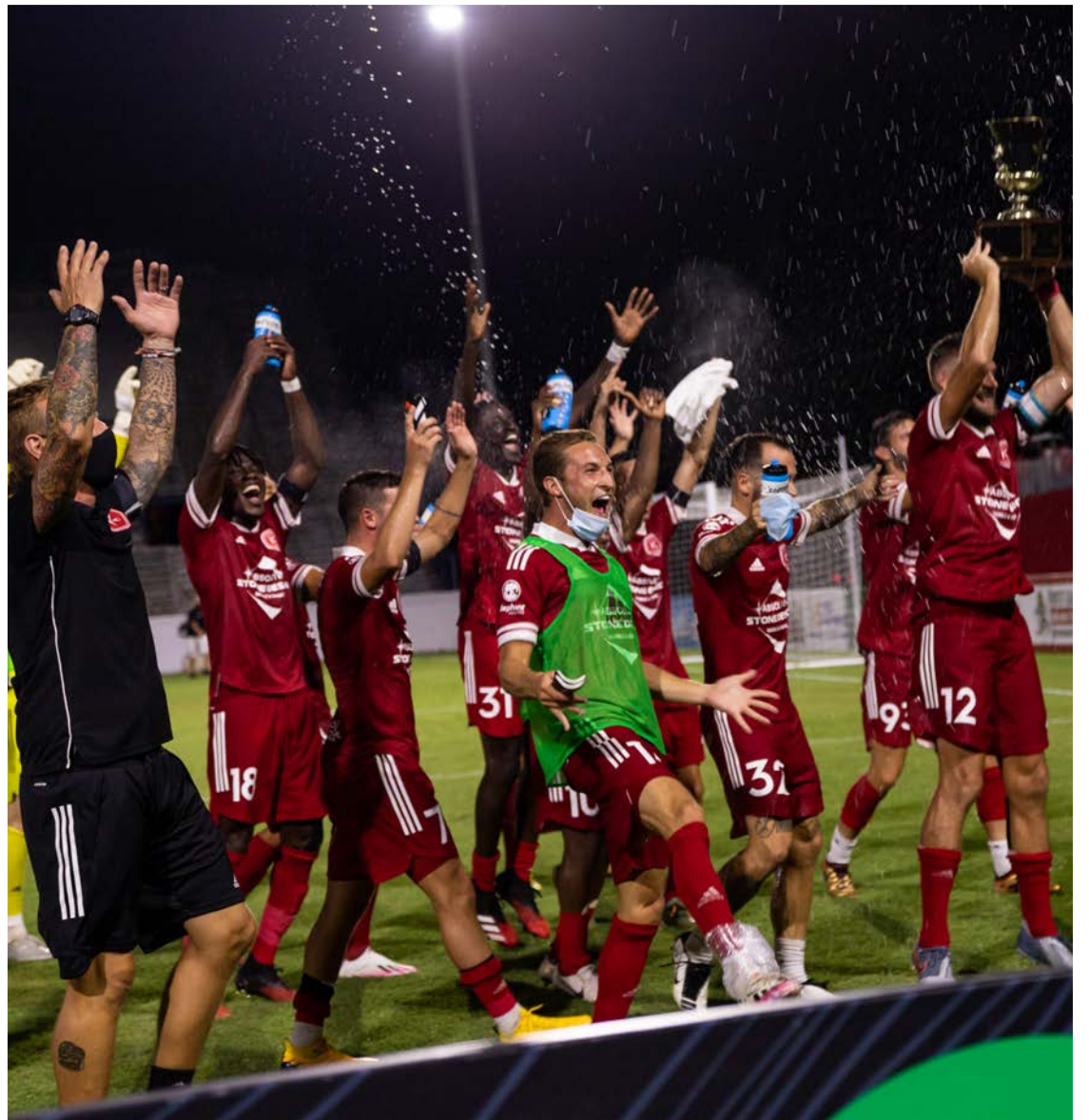


Darren Sawatzky

HOME VENUE



City Stadium



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KEY PLAYERS



Akira Fitzgerald
Goalkeeper

One of only three goalkeepers to face more than 100 shots on target in the 2019 season, Akira Fitzgerald was still one of the most consistent goalkeepers in League One in its inaugural season, earning nomination for Goalkeeper of the Year. He returns for the Kickers' second season comfortably the elder statesman of the squad at 31 years of age, but it's unlikely his standards will drop as he looks to lead Richmond to its first postseason in its new league.



Kyle Venter
Defender

Making the switch to Richmond from FC Tucson alongside Head Coach Darren Sawatzky, center back Kyle Venter could help the Kickers shore up their back line as he enters his seventh professional season. Venter has made more than 100 professional appearances in his career, including 75 in the Championship, and at 6-foot-3 provides a commanding presence in the center of the field. Following a season in which he won 63.7 percent of duels, 73.6 percent of aerials and made 96 clearances, he should be a welcome addition at City Stadium.

2020 SCHEDULE

DATE	HOME	VS	AWAY
7/28/2020	TRM	V	RIC
07/25/2020	GVL	V	RIC
08/08/2020	RIC	V	MAD
08/15/2020	RIC	V	TUC
8/21/2020	NE	V	RIC
08/29/2020	RIC	V	GVL
09/05/2020	TUC	V	RIC
09/12/2020	CHA	V	RIC
09/19/2020	RIC	V	ORL
9/23/2020	RIC	V	FTL
09/26/2020	OMA	V	RIC
10/03/2020	RIC	V	NE
10/10/2020	NTX	V	RIC
10/17/2020	RIC	V	TRM
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TEAM OUTLOOK

For the opening half of the club's inaugural professional season, it seemed certain the success South Georgia Tormenta FC had produced in USL League Two would be replicated in League One. But after sitting in the top two in the standings alongside fellow frontrunner North Texas SC, the club found only two victories in the second half of the year to drop out of the playoff places entirely.

Still, there was reason for understanding and plenty of optimism as the side goes into Year 2. One of Tormenta FC's perceived strengths – roster continuity as it moved into League One – ended up potentially being its downfall as numerous players weren't used to the rigors of a full professional season. The returning cast – including goalkeeper Pablo Jara and midfielders Marco Micaletto and Lucas Coutinho – should be far better prepared this go-around.

On top of that, while the side said farewell to 2019 League One Defender of the Year Conner Antley in a deal with the Championship's Indy Eleven, the new arrivals have plenty of promise to offer. The duo of forward Pato Botello Faz – who notched seven goals in 2019 – and Rhys Williams are both on board from Lansing Ignite FC, while Devyn Jambga scored five times for FC Tucson. The side isn't going to forget its roots – more new arrivals are on board from the Tormenta FC Academy and League Two side, but things seem set fair for Head Coach John Miglarese this year.

HEAD COACH



John Miglarese

HOME VENUE



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KEY PLAYERS



Marco Micaletto
Midfielder

Having been named to the USL League Two All-League Team in 2018, there were high hopes for Marco Micaletto as he stepped into the professional ranks with Tormenta FC. The 24-year-old pretty much lived up to those, leading the club with eight goals while also recording two assists and 30 key passes during the regular season. The former University of Akron player will be looking for more this year, with double-digit goals the likely aim. If he gets there, then Tormenta FC could be on its way to the postseason.



Abuchi Obinwa
Midfielder

There's plenty to like about Abuchi Obinwa's resume, which includes a stop at Columbus Crew SC and a timeline up the U.S. Youth National Team ranks to the U-20 level. However, the 23-year-old is still looking for the breakthrough moment in his career as he arrives with Tormenta FC. Most recently having competed in the Portuguese Third Division with Lusitano FCV, this season offers an opportunity for Obinwa to make a name for himself at a club where he should have the opportunity to thrive. If he does, it could pay off handsomely at the end of the season for the player and the club.

2020 SCHEDULE

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07/25/2020	TRM	V	CHA
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08/14/2020	MAD	V	TRM
08/22/2020	CHA	V	TRM
08/28/2020	ORL	V	TRM
09/04/2020	TRM	V	GVL
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TEAM OUTLOOK

After four seasons in the USL Championship, Toronto FC II found its level in League One's inaugural season, recording nine wins on the campaign – one fewer than in its previous two seasons combined – and becoming a tough opponent, especially on home turf. A late-season downturn put paid to the club's playoff aspirations before it went 3-1-1 in its final five games, but the team overall has the look of one that can compete for the postseason again this year.

In 2020, TFC II will have a new leader on the sideline as former LA Galaxy II Head Coach Mike Munoz takes over from Michael Rabasca, who returned to his role as TFC's Director of High Performance. Munoz oversaw a Los Dos side in transition during his time on the sideline as it tilted more strongly toward younger prospects on the field, but that should stand him in good stead as he prepares to lead Toronto's talented youngsters.

Leading that group will be Canada U-20 international Jordan Perruzza, who scored 15 goals to finish second in League One to North Texas SC's Ronaldo Damus a season ago. Also set to return are Terique Mohammed and Matthew Srbely, both of whom had good campaigns in 2019, and there will also be a familiar face back in the fold with former Canada U-20 international Luca Uccello returning to TFC II after spending the 2019 season with Memphis 901 FC in the Championship.

HEAD COACH



Mike Munoz

HOME VENUE



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KEY PLAYERS



Jordan Perruzza
Forward

Since he first donned a Toronto FC II jersey in the 2018 Championship season, all Jordan Perruzza has done is consistently find the back of the net. With 17 goals in 28 games at a striker rate of a goal every 114 minutes, the 19-year-old was named to the 2019 USL 20 Under 20 and nominated for the League One Young Player of the Year award last campaign. This year promises to be an important one for club and country, though, with Perruzza likely to be a key piece in TFC II's push for a playoff place, and also in Canada's chances at reaching the 2021 FIFA U-20 World Cup this summer at the 2020 Concacaf U-20 Championship.



Luca Uccello
Midfielder

Events just didn't go to plan for Luca Uccello at Memphis 901 FC as he made only six appearances – all as a substitute – while battling injuries throughout the season. Now back in the place where he began his professional career – and made 77 appearances over four seasons – Uccello has the chance to get things back on track. When he's been on his game, the 22-year-old has shown flashes of a player that can succeed at a higher level. Producing that on a consistent basis this year would be a major step forward for Uccello personally and could lift TFC II to even greater heights in attack.

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TEAM OUTLOOK

The lone independent expansion side to join League One in 2020, Union Omaha arrives with a groundswell of support, a local legend on the sideline, and a sharp look that has turned heads around the American soccer community. Led off the field by Chairman Gary Green, the Owls look set to make a serious impact in their first season in the league.

That's in part thanks to the appointment of Jay Mims as the club's first Head Coach. After serving as the top assistant at Creighton University, Mims went on to begin the program at the University of Nebraska Omaha in 2011 and in short order turned it into a national challenger. He also brings experience from the professional academy system, having worked as an assistant at Real Salt Lake Academy for the past two years.

Mims has been able to assemble a squad that has looked competitive in preseason. It went undefeated at the Wasatch Winter Cup, drawing with the Championship's Louisville City FC and Real Monarchs SLC and defeating Colorado Springs Switchbacks FC. Preseason results aren't always reliable indicators of what's to come, but those displays should have fans of Los Buhos excited for what could be ahead.



HEAD COACH



Jay Mims

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KEY PLAYERS



Elvir Ibisevic
Forward

One of Jay Mims' former proteges at UNO, Elvir Ibisevic returns to the United States after competing in Europe after leaving the Mavericks program after the 2017 season. The 22-year-old was a solid producer for UNO, recording 13 goals and four assists in 33 games across his two seasons, while he also suited up for the Des Moines Menace in USL League Two. His potential saw him earn a call-up to Bosnia-Herzegovina National Team for an exhibition against the United States in January 2018 before he turned professional later that year. Given his local ties, the 6-foot-2 forward could quickly become a fan favorite in Union's first season.



Xavier Gomez
Midfielder

A Second Round-selection by Minnesota United FC in the 2019 MLS SuperDraft, Xavier Gomez had a strong rookie season at Lansing Ignite FC a year ago, recording three goals, five assists and 33 key passes to help the side reach the League One Playoffs. Another former UNO player - where he recorded eight goals and 11 assists in 68 career appearances for the Mavericks - Gomez should bring fluidity in the middle of the field for Mims' side after recording an 86.2 passing accuracy rate on 47.4 passes per 90 minutes, and his experience with the ins and outs of League One should also be very useful in the locker room.

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USL EXECUTIVE STAFF

Alec Papadakis

USL Chief Executive Officer

Papadakis has served as the USL's top executive since 2009, and he is the CEO and Managing Partner of NuRock Soccer Holdings. Papadakis is a franchise attorney with four decades' worth of domestic and international experience.

A former player for the Atlanta Chiefs and Boston Minutemen, Papadakis had a long, successful career in the U.S. at both the professional and collegiate level. He helped Atlanta to a 1971 regular-season championship and Boston to a 1974 regular-season crown. Papadakis was a three-time, First Team All-American at Hartwick College (New York) and he also attended Ibero-American University in Mexico City before receiving his law degree at the University of Akron in 1976.

Papadakis' legal focus has been U.S. and European franchise transactions. He also has practiced in the area of commercial real estate, acquisitions, development, financing and leasing. He was the founder and first president of the Hellenic Franchise Association and holds affiliations with the Board of Advisors of International Quarterly, the International Franchise Association, the State Bar of Georgia, the American Hellenic Chamber of Commerce and the Board of Directors for the Hellenic American Institute in Washington, D.C.

Jake Edwards

USL President

Edwards has served as USL President since March 2, 2015, when he succeeded Tim Holt in this position. Edwards has played an integral role toward the league's long-term strategic plan, Destination 2020, which focuses on the USL's expansion, the launch of media and commercial properties, partnership with Major League Soccer and the important step for all USL teams to be situated in soccer-specific stadiums. Edwards oversees the 40-plus staff at the league's headquarters in Tampa, Fla., and the daily servicing of its 30-plus clubs.

Edwards joined the USL as the league's Vice President in 2013. The Manchester native is a former professional soccer player whose career spanned 11 years, mostly for England-based clubs as well as with the Charleston Battery, signing with the USL side in July of 2002.

Edwards played collegiately for James Madison in Virginia. After completing his MBA from Warwick Business School in 2009, while also serving as commercial manager for Solihull Moors Football Club, Edwards was hired by Octagon, the global sports sponsorship agency. Based in Octagon's London office, Edwards served as a business strategy consultant in the company's rights holder side of the business.

Justin Papadakis

USL Chief Operating Officer

Papadakis was named the USL President of Commercial Ventures in December of 2014 and in May of 2016 began his role as the league's Chief Operating Officer.

A former goalkeeper, Papadakis represented Duke from 2004-07, with one of his biggest highlights being a two-save effort during a penalty shootout to lift the Blue Devils past North Carolina to win the 2005 ACC Championship. The Roswell, Ga., native also had a strong youth career in the greater Atlanta region as well as abroad with Benfica FC in Portugal during his high school years.

Papadakis earned his juris doctorate in real state after attending the Cleveland-Marshall College of Law from 2011-15.

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RULES & REGULATIONS

DISCIPLINE & CONDUCT

League Disciplinary Power

The League shall have the authority to suspend, fine, disqualify, or otherwise discipline players, team officials, or competing Teams for On-Field Misconduct and for off-field misconduct deemed by the League to be detrimental to the League, any Team, or the sport of soccer (“Detrimental Off-Field Misconduct”).

“On-Field Misconduct” shall include misconduct that occurs in any stadium or playing facility, in and/or around the stadium or playing facility (involving any person(s) or property in or around the stadium or playing facility), including, but not limited to: the playing field, locker rooms, parking lots, spectator stands or other spectator facilities, and other back-of-house and underground areas, including those used by television production and other media), and which occurs at, during or in connection with any match or tournament in which the player competes.

The League Disciplinary Committee

The League Disciplinary Committee is a panel of League Directors covering the competition, operations, and compliance departments. As delegates of the President, this committee makes decisions about discipline for Detrimental Off-Field Misconduct and On-Field Misconduct, subject to the review of the President. The League Disciplinary Committee makes decisions with a view towards allowing for a competitive, but fair, environment for all Teams to compete against each other.

Independent Disciplinary Panel

The Independent Disciplinary Panel is comprised of three outside members, consisting of a former professional coach, a former professional referee, and a former professional player. This panel is charged with the responsibility of reviewing any disciplinary matters deemed worthy of increased disciplinary measures (i.e. escalating a yellow card to a red card). Any disciplinary decisions rendered by the Independent Disciplinary Panel will be final and cannot be appealed.

Disciplinary Process

The League Disciplinary Committee reviews disciplinary issues (including all send-offs) reported by the Referee, in addition to other incidents of On-Field Misconduct or Detrimental Off-Field Misconduct. The Disciplinary Committee conducts this review using match videos, official reports, individual accounts, and other pertinent information. Depending on the timeliness of the reports and match videos, the Disciplinary Committee will make every effort to issue rulings on cases in advance of the Team’s next League Game.

Player Caution Accumulation

Players exceeding the caution accumulation plateau(s) will begin serving their suspension in their next match. If a player receives two cautions in one match, these cautions will not count toward a player’s caution accumulation total. The USL also reserves the right to reevaluate player accumulation plateaus for player eligibility rulings, including playoffs, with the reserved power to postpone suspensions to the following season.

Players and staff accumulating the following number of caution/yellow cards throughout the season will be sanctioned as follows:

- Five total cautions - Fine
- Eight total cautions - one game suspension and fine
- 11 total cautions - two game suspension and fine
- 14 total cautions - three game suspension and fine

Caution accumulation suspensions can only affect regular-season games. For those players who reach a caution accumulation suspension at the end of the season that suspension will not be implemented in any potential playoff games that season. Accumulations will be wiped clean at the end of the season. If a player exceeds 14 cautions in a season, the league reserves the right to fine and suspend the player at its discretion.

Good Behavior Incentive

A player will automatically reduce his yellow card accumulation total by one yellow card each time he appears in five consecutive league games without a card or supplemental discipline. For clarity, a player cannot have a negative yellow card accumulation total; the Good Behavior Incentive reset can only reset to a zero-card total. This incentive will be automatically applied a maximum of three times through the course of the USL season.

For example, a player on his third caution of the season appearing in five consecutive league matches without receiving a card or supplemental discipline removes one (1) caution from his cumulative total, leaving the player with a total of two. This player now has two remaining Good Behavior Incentive opportunities for the 2018 Season. If that player completes five more consecutive league matches without receiving a card or supplemental discipline, one more caution is removed from his cumulative total leaving the player a total of one caution and one more Good Behavior Incentive opportunity.

Serving Suspensions During the Regular Season

Any player and/or coach sent off/dismissed during a regular season game will be fined and will be suspended from the next league regular season game. A person who serves as both player and coach may not return as a player or a coach until the suspension has been served. For the purposes of determining accumulations and game suspensions, any games that count as part of a team’s official League schedule shall be utilized.

Final Regular Season Game Send-off

Any player or coach sent off in a final regular season match must serve the suspension in the first playoff match, unless the season is over, in which case the suspension will be served in the team’s first League game the following season.

Suspension during the Playoffs

Any player and/or coach that is sent off or dismissed during the playoffs will be suspended from, at minimum, the next playoff game, unless the season is over, in which case the suspension will be served, at minimum, in the team’s first League game the following season.

Major Game Misconduct

The League Disciplinary Committee, in its sole and absolute discretion, may impose discipline (including fines and suspensions) against players, coaches or other team staff for Major Game Misconduct, regardless of whether the misconduct in question resulted in a card being awarded by the Match Official or was included in the Referee Game Report. "Major Game Misconduct" is defined by the League and may include, without limitation, fighting, provoking a fight, criticizing Match Officials with words or gestures, entering the Match Officials' locker room, physical contact with Match Officials separate from Referee Assault, using excessive force, deliberate attempts to injure, spitting, provoking crowd disorders, profane language that can be heard by the crowd or broadcast audience, obscene gestures, racist, homophobic, or derogatory comments, improper conduct during the national anthem, taunting, abuse of spectators and others, failure to leave the field when instructed by the Match Official to do so, improper conduct following the award of a card, excessive delay tactics, excessive and obvious feigning of injuries, or other unsportsmanlike conduct detrimental to the League and the sport of soccer in general.

Red Card and Second Yellow Card Appeal

Within 24 hours after the completion of a match, a team may request a review of a red card or the second yellow card, if a player or staff member receives two yellow cards in a match, to rectify a case where a serious and obvious error has occurred.

Suspension and Fine Appeal

Within 24 hours after the USL Championship distributes its Weekly Discipline Report, a team may appeal a suspension and/or fine that is greater than the established minimum fine and suspension amounts. The USL Championship must receive the appeal in writing via email.

Cross League and Competition Suspensions

Players joining the USL (on loan or through transfer) may be subject to any suspension that has been levied by other competitions. The USL shall determine if it will permit a player who receives a red card or other supplemental discipline in another competition for an egregious act to play in USL matches. As per USSF policy, supplemental discipline issued for referee assault/abuse shall preclude the suspended individual from participating in any soccer competition until the suspension has expired.

Players who are suspended in any cup competition such as the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup, Canadian Championship or CONCACAF Champions League are not automatically suspended in the USL. The USL will independently review the action and suspension and have the right to implement supplemental discipline in the USL Disciplinary Committee, if it determines the player's behavior was deemed to be egregious.

CHAMPIONSHIP ROSTER REGULATIONS

Player Classifications

A. Professional Player

A professional player is a player who signs a professional registration form with the team's applicable Federation, a professional player contract with the USL Championship and receives, or has received, payment beyond actual and necessary expenses for playing soccer. Players on loan are not deemed professional players unless there is not a right to recall. A professional player may only be registered with one team and may play only for the team to which he is registered, except in the following two instances:

1. Team has filed a completed loan agreement and supplement with the League Office.
2. Player competes for another team in an exhibition, all-star, benefit or some other non-League game with the consent of the team holding his contract.

B. Academy Players

In addition to the 30 Active Players allowed on the Master Roster, a team may register up to five (5) active Academy Players, which do not count against the 30 players on the Master Roster and are allowed to participate in all competitions. After the first five Academy Players rostered, Academy Players will count against the Master Roster.

To be considered an Academy Player, all of the following must be in place: a) player is under the age of 21 as of the official start date of the current season, b) player cannot compete (or have ever previously have competed) in any NCAA or NAIA university or college soccer program, and c) player has never been signed or registered as a professional soccer player as recognized by FIFA. The Academy Player must play for a club which conducts its activities (home games and/or training) within the team's franchise territory or play for a club which has a documented affiliation with the team. In the latter scenario, the affiliated club outside the territory of the team must not be in the territory of another Championship team, and the team must register all documented affiliate clubs with the League Office prior to the season or upon completion of the affiliation agreement. Additionally, teams with MLS affiliations can use the Academy Players of their MLS affiliate.

No Academy Player may register or participate as an Academy Player with more than one Championship club during a season. Academy players may not be loaned.

Academy Players that are classified as international count against a team's maximum of seven international players. Academy Players must be registered as an amateur with the USL Championship team or its formally-recognized MLS affiliate. Teams may make Academy Players active or inactive on the Master Roster. Inactive Academy Players do not count towards the roster maximum or the international player maximum.

There cannot be more than five (5) Academy Players listed on the Game Day Lineup.

RULES & REGULATIONS

Master Roster

A. Master Roster Guidelines

The Master Roster consists of up to 30 Active Players and is the official player roster of the team, as set by the USL League One. Inactive Players do not count towards a team's Master Roster.

A maximum of seven (7) players on the Master Roster may be International Players, pending the trade or sale of International Roster Spots.

A professional team must carry 12 or more professional players on its Master Roster. Each club is allowed two Permanent Loan Assignment spots that count toward this minimum. These slots can be filled by players from any league, and these players cannot be recalled for any reason to meet the standard. Any violation of this standard will result in a fine being assessed at the League's discretion. Players loaned from leagues other than MLS with no right to recall also count toward this minimum.

Active Players consist of properly registered players on USL League One contracts, players in on loan, and active Academy Players. Players who are signed to a USL League One Standard Professional Player Contract and are not in on loan can only be active on the roster.

The only players that can be made inactive are players out on loan, in on-loan, or Academy Players. Inactive Players do not count against a team's International Player limit. In the interest of clarity, players on USL League One Professional contracts cannot be made inactive.

B. Master Roster Changes

Whenever a team makes a change to its Master Roster, notification must be sent to USL Registration. Changes are not approved until the USL League One confirms via e-mail.

C. Master Roster Freeze

No incoming transaction or player movement is allowed after the Roster Freeze date, including but not limited to: signing a player, receiving a player on loan, changing a player's active/inactive status, and/or replacing players. All trades, transfers and/or loans between teams must be finalized and approved by the USL League One prior to this time. The USL League One will not allow "deals in progress" or "extensions" to go beyond the deadline for any reason.

For purposes of visas and other pending documentation for incoming players, ALL documents must be approved by the USL League One, and if warranted, by Major League Soccer and the U.S. Soccer Federation, prior to the Roster Freeze deadline. All players must be completely active on the Master Roster to compete in the USL League One for the remainder of the season.

The date of the Roster Freeze is September 18th, 2020 at 5 p.m. Eastern Time.

Any MLS player legitimately on the final Master Roster of a USL League One team at the time of the Roster Freeze date will be permitted to compete for the League One for the rest of the season, regardless of whether or not that player is subsequently traded or transferred to another MLS team. In this instance, a newly executed loan agreement is required by the USL League One. However, if a player is sold or released from his contract with MLS, this will terminate the player's loan with the USL League One team.

Any field player on loan from any other team (including intra-League loans) must play a minimum of five (5) games during the regular season to be eligible to play in the playoffs. One of these games must occur prior to the roster freeze date. This standard does not apply to goalkeepers.

Any League One player who is sold to an MLS team after the Roster Freeze deadline may rejoin the League One team on loan for the remainder of the season, as long as he assumes the spot on the roster he vacated when he was sold by the club. As long as the player played in a minimum of five (5) games during the season, either prior or after being sold, he is eligible to play in the playoffs.

SPECIAL EXEMPTION (GOALKEEPERS): In the unlikely event that a team is reduced to a single "available and healthy" goalkeeper due to National Team call-up or medically-verifiable injury, the team may petition the USL League One in writing to be permitted to add a backup goalkeeper to its Master Roster. This may only be done in the event that at least two eligible and healthy goalkeepers are active with the club, participating in regular team activities, not on loan with another team, and listed on the final Master Roster submitted at the time of the Roster Freeze date. This backup goalkeeper will be permitted to remain on the team's roster until such time that one or more of the originally rostered goalkeepers becomes available and is able to compete. The USL League One will have the power to reject the addition of a goalkeeper in this situation, if it feels its primary intent is to create a competitive advantage.

Player Loans

Loans may not extend beyond the length of the guaranteed contract or option term, provided the option has been exercised. Loan cancellation terms are outlined in the Loan Agreement. Academy Players may not be loaned.

Loan Guidelines

League One > League One: Each team is permitted to receive or loan a maximum of two players under contract from/to each League One team in any given season. An individual player may not be intra-league loaned more than one time per season.

League One > MLS: There is no restriction on the number of League One players a team may send to compete in MLS. All loaned players shall remain on the League One team's Master Roster. Additionally, for players to move freely between the two clubs throughout the season, the League One and MLS clubs must have a documented affiliation with one another.

MLS > League One: There is no restriction on the number of players on loan a League One team may have from an MLS team at any given time. The team must have space on its Master Roster to add any player on loan. There is restriction on the total number of MLS players which compete on a given League One team during the season. Additionally, for players to move freely between the two clubs throughout the season, the League One and MLS clubs must have a documented affiliation with one another.

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Loan Players in the Playoffs

A loan player must compete (play in a match, not just be rostered) in at least five regular season matches for a specific League One team to be eligible for the playoffs with that team. One of those games must occur prior to the Roster Freeze.

23-Man Game Day Player Pool

All players must be rostered (i.e. registered with the League and Federation) and active prior to their inclusion in a Team's 23-Man Game Day Player Pool. Suspended players cannot be included in the 23-Man Game Day Player Pool. Should a player be successfully rostered (provided all registration paperwork and ITC cleared before the applicable match registration deadline) and fall within the 48-24-hour window, they may be added to the 23-Man Game Day Player Pool; however, the change will be subject to the opposing team's approval in accordance with Master Roster Guidelines.

Teams are required to submit their 23-Man Game Day Player Pool of players that are available and active for a match 48-hours prior to each match. Between 48 and 24-hours prior to the match, any change to that Game Day Player Pool must be approved by the opposing team and the League. There will be no changes allowed to the 23-Man Game Day Player Pool less than 24 hours prior to a match. Failure to submit the 23-Man Game Day Player Pool 48 hours prior to the match will result in a minimum fine of \$500. Failure to submit the 23-Man Game Day Player Pool in alphabetical order will result in a minimum fine of \$50. All appropriate parties must be included on the correspondence for the standard to be met. All times are subject to change in accordance with the best interests of the game and in the spirit of the intent of this rule in the League's absolute discretion. The League reserves the right to override approvals or denials of the opposing team.

No player may be simultaneously active on the Master Roster of two separate teams in two different leagues. The only exception to this rule occurs if a player has been listed as active on a USL League One team's 23-Man Game Day Player Pool, which is submitted to the League no later than 48 hours prior to the match. In such an instance, a player may remain active in both systems. Any player that does not meet this exception must be listed as inactive in the USL League One registration system to participate on a separate team in a different league. No player may be listed on the active roster for two separate teams in two different leagues on the same day. Failure to meet this standard will result in a minimum fine of \$500.

If a player not included on the 23-Man Game Day Player Pool participates in the match in any capacity, including being available on the bench for selection, it will result in a minimum fine of \$1,000. On the day of the game, during the roster exchange, game day lineups must be cross-referenced with the 23-Man Game Day Player Pools from each club to ensure all players included on the lineup have also been included on the 23-Man Game Day Player Pool. In the event that any of the parties involved with the exchange identify that a player included on the lineup was not previously listed on the 23-Man Game Day Player Pool, the designated League contact listed on the match preview must be notified and the player will not be able to compete in the match. If this occurs, the team is permitted to replace the lineup spot with a player who has been included on the 23-Man Game Day Player Pool provided the opposing team has the same opportunity based on the number of available players at the match (i.e. the opposing team has 19 or more players available for selection). The home team and visiting team must also submit a copy of their Official Game Day Lineup to the League 60 minutes prior to the start of the match via the Teamworks platform to meet the standard.