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# **2021 FORGE FC SCHEDULE**



#### THE KICKOFF SCHEDULE



On June 9, the Canadian Premier League announced the Kickoff schedule presented by WestJet. The 2021 season will begin in Winnipeg, Manitoba on Saturday, June 26 with each club playing eight matches (32 games total) and all matches broadcast exclusively via the CPL's media partner, OneSoccer.

The matchups are focused on minimizing travel as much as possible for the entire season. The League is focused on determining the most efficient and safe manner to return to our home markets as the country and provinces continue to open up.

The Canadian Premier League remains committed to delivering a full 28 match regular season this year with plans to announce the full 2021 season schedule when the return to play landscape becomes clearer - with every intention to play in front of our fans and supporters as soon as we can.

For Forge FC's full 2021 schedule (upon release), please visit: <a href="mailto:forgefc.canpl.ca/schedule/2021">forgefc.canpl.ca/schedule/2021</a>

| DATE    | TIME       | HOME        | AWAY        | LOCATION       | GROUND   |
|---------|------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|----------|
| June 27 | 2:00 p.m.  | Forge FC    | Valour FC   | Winnipeg, Man. | IG Field |
| July 1  | 8:00 p.m.  | FC Edmonton | Forge FC    | Winnipeg, Man. | IG Field |
| July 4  | 7:00 p.m.  | Forge FC    | Pacific FC  | Winnipeg, Man. | IG Field |
| July 8  | 8:00 p.m.  | Cavalry FC  | Forge FC    | Winnipeg, Man. | IG Field |
| July 11 | 1:30 p.m.  | Valour FC   | Forge FC    | Winnipeg, Man. | IG Field |
| July 14 | 10:00 p.m. | Forge FC    | FC Edmonton | Winnipeg, Man. | IG Field |
| July 17 | 5:00 p.m.  | Pacific FC  | Forge FC    | Winnipeg, Man. | IG Field |
| July 22 | 8:00 p.m.  | Forge FC    | Cavalry FC  | Winnipeg, Man. | IG Field |

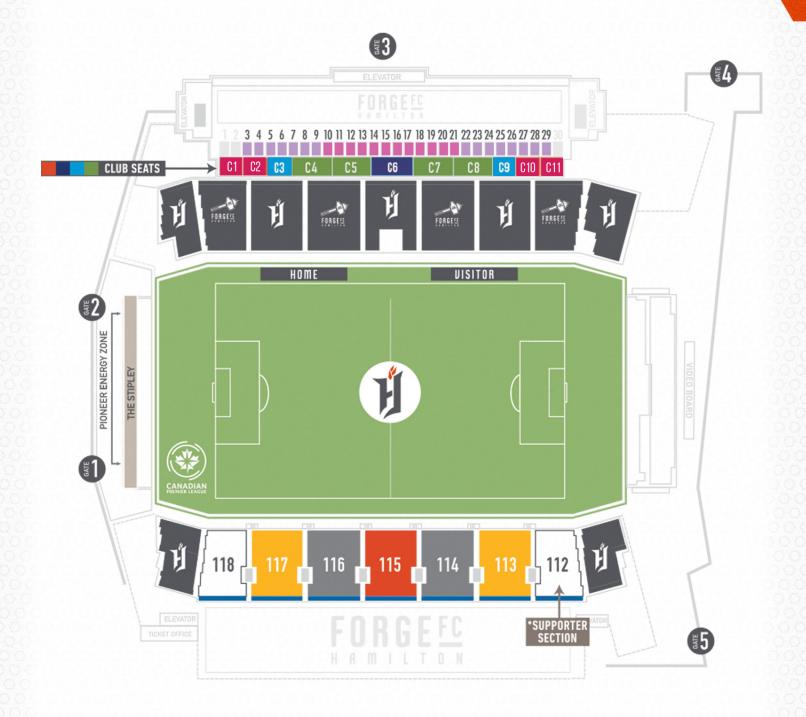
#### **CONCACAF LEAGUE**

| DATE   | TIME       | HOME     | AWAY     | LOCATION       | GROUND            |
|--------|------------|----------|----------|----------------|-------------------|
| Aug 4  | 8:00 p.m.  | Forge FC | C.D. FAS | Hamilton, Ont. | Tim Hortons Field |
| Aug 17 | 10:00 p.m. | C.D. FAS | Forge FC | El Salvador    |                   |

Match times are in Eastern Daylight Time



# TIM HORTONS FIELD SEATING MAP







# **CLUB OVERVIEW**



# "We're from the Hammer..."

The hammer strikes! Sparks fly. Passions ignite. Hamilton pushes forward, on and off the pitch.

Forge FC represents the spirit of Hamilton's people; celebrating our industrious roots and ambitious future.

Hamilton was built around the steel industry. Inside the foundries and mills, with each strike of the Hammer the walk





A resilient community formed, creating a sense of pride in stating: "We're from the Hammer."

Today, those same values are championing Hamilton's ongoing renaissance. Hamiltonians are leading the advancement of industries, old and new, including advanced manufacturing, health sciences, technology, education, arts & culture.

Together, Hamiltonians Forge Ahead.





# CLUB DIRECTORY

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# **STAFF**

Strength & Conditioning Coach



Jacob Miller

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| Assistant Coaches                   | Kyriakos Selaidopoulos, David Edgar |
| Manager, Soccer Operations          | Jelani Smith                        |
| Athletic Therapist                  | Emily Coleman                       |
| Equipment Manager                   | Joe Hanley                          |

| EXECUTIVE  |                |
|--|----------------|
| Co-Founder   | Bob Young      |
| Chief Executive Officer                                    | Scott Mitchell |
| Executive Vice President                                   | Doug Rye       |
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# **ROBERT (BOB) YOUNG**

#### **CO-FOUNDER**

Bob Young, a Hamilton native and successful technology entrepreneur, is the founder of Vernon Computer Rentals, Red Hat Inc. and Lulu Press Inc., among others. A recent start-up, Lulu Press Inc. (www.lulu.com), is an online print-on-demand, self-publishing and distribution platform based out of

Raleigh, North Carolina. The company continues to create new and exciting ways of delivering more knowledge at lower cost to the global education oriented consumer.

Recently, he has helped the PrecisionHawk team (www.precisionhawk.com). That team includes company co-founder Christopher Dean who's a former Tiger-Cats VP of Business Operations.

Prior to moving to the United States, Young spent 14 years in the hardware leasing industry in Ontario with two projects he started: Hamilton Rentals and Vernon Computer Rentals and Sales.

In 1994, his work on open source software led to his co-founding of Red Hat Inc., now a NYSE traded company. As co-founder and formerly CEO and Chairman of Red Hat from 1993-2000, Young was responsible for the early success of the business. Red Hat is credited

with driving the global, industry-wide adoption of open source development practices. Young's efforts developing Red Hat into a household name have won him prestigious honours such as Business Week Magazine's Top Entrepreneurs in 1999.

He graduated from the University of Toronto in 1976 prior to beginning his high tech career in the computer finance arena.

Among his philanthropic projects: in 1999, he founded The Center for the Public Domain. More recently he and his wife are supporters of the Loran Scholarship Awards (www.loranscholar.ca). He's also an enthusiastic supporter of The Dictionary Of Old English project (www.doe.utoronto.ca).

Young was introduced as the new owner and Caretaker of the Hamilton Tiger-Cats Football Club by the Canadian Football League October 7, 2003. Of his many accomplishments with the Tiger-Cats, the most significant was helping broker a deal for a new permanent home for the team. The success of that project resulted in the doors opening on the newly constructed Tim Hortons Field in September 2014.

Young is one of the founding partners of Canadian Premier League soccer.



# **SCOTT MITCHELL**

#### CEO

Scott Mitchell serves as Forge FC's Chief Executive Officer. He holds the same role with the Canadian Football League's Hamilton Tiger-Cats, a role he has held since 2013. Mitchell has been with the organization since 2007.

Mitchell is also a partner in the Bob Young Group of Companies (BYG), a diverse collection of assets across Canada. As the C.E.O., Mitchell actively manages a portfolio that includes ownership of multiple professional sports franchises, entertainment ventures and real estate development, among other investments.

Along with Bob Young, Mitchell is the co-founder of the Canadian Premier League (CPL) and co-founder and C.E.O. of Canadian Soccer Business (CSB). The Canadian Premier League played its inaugural season in 2019 and is sanctioned as Canada's top professional domestic soccer league. As the C.E.O. of Canadian Soccer Business, Mitchell oversees all corporate partnerships and media rights related to Canada Soccer and the Canadian Premier League.

With the Tiger-Cats, Mitchell's leadership was fundamental in delivering a new stadium for the franchise in 2014 with the opening of Tim Hortons Field. Regarded as the prototypical modern CFL Stadium, Tim Hortons Field is the busiest stadium in North America in terms of

hours of use and is generally considered the home of one of the best fan experiences in North America.



A two sport recruit out of Upper Canada College in Toronto, Mitchell began his college football career as one of the first Canadian quarterbacks to play NCAA Division One football at Bucknell University, and went on to become an integral member of the 1993 University of Toronto Varsity Blues National Championship team, before being drafted by the Winnipeg Blue Bombers of the Canadian Football League.

Mitchell sits on a number of boards and advisory groups, including the Canadian Athletic Foundation. He is married to successful entrepreneur, Annette Mitchell, and they have three children.



## **MATT AFINEC**

# PRESIDENT & CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER OF BUSINESS OPERATIONS

Matt Afinec serves as Forge FC's President and Chief Operating Officer of Business Operations. He holds the same role for the Hamilton Tiger-Cats, a role he has had since 2012. This role includes oversight of both Clubs' business operations including ticket sales and service, corporate partnerships, marketing, communications, fan experience, guest relations, retail operations, digital/broadcast media, and community/municipal relations.

He joined the Tiger-Cats organization in 2010 as Vice President, Stadium Development. He was a member of the executive team that represented the Club in the site verification and stadium design phase for the development of Tim Hortons Field.

Afinec led the Club's efforts to secure a landmark 10-year naming rights partnership with Tim Hortons in 2013. He also led the efforts that secured eight other stadium founding partnerships with tier-one brands like Scotiabank, Nissan, Molson-Coors and Coca-Cola.

Afinec entered the professional sports industry in 2005 with the CFL's Toronto Argonauts. He held various positions including Director of Corporate Partnerships for Toronto's 2007 Grey Cup Organizing Committee and Vice President of Corporate Partnerships for the Argonauts.



In 2014, Matt was recognized by George Brown College, the Globe & Mail and TSN as one of the '5 to Watch' in Canadian Sports Business. The '5 To Watch' program annually recognizes the most influential and accomplished Canadians under the age of 40 in the sports business industry.

Afinec graduated from McGill University in Montreal Quebec with a degree in Industrial Relations Management. He lives in Burlington, Ontario with his wife Michelle and son's Brady and Myles.



# **BOBBY SMYRNIOTIS**

#### **TECHNICAL DIRECTOR & HEAD COACH**

Bobby Smyrniotis (SMEER-nee-OH-tihs) was named Forge FC's first ever Technical Director and Head Coach on October 1, 2018.

He led Forge FC to back-to-back Canadian Premier League Championships in 2019 and 2020, and was a finalist for CPL Coach of the Year in both seasons. Smyrniotis' teams have yet to concede a goal in CPL championship play, posting a 2-0 win over the HFK Wanderers FC in the final of The Island Games in 2020, and defeating Cavalry FC 2-0 on aggregate in the 2019 CPL Finals to become the league's inaugural champions.

Under his tutelage, Forge FC has had numerous players recognized with individual awards, including Tristan Borges and Kyle Bekker who were named CPL Player of the Year in 2019 and 2020, respectively. Borges also won the Golden Boot and Best Under-21 Canadian Player in the CPL in 2019, Bekker was also a finalist for Player of the Year in 2019, and goalkeeper Triston Henry took home the 2020 Golden Glove Award.

Prior to Forge FC, Smyrniotis is best known for building Mississauga-based powerhouse youth soccer academy Sigma FC into one of the sport's preeminent development programs in North America.



As Sigma FC's Co-Founder, Technical Director and First Team Head Coach from 2005 to 2018, the native of Scarborough, Ontario, has led the program in producing more than 20 youth national team players, seven senior 'A' national team players as well as 16 players that have gone on to play professionally in North America and internationally, including Cyle Larin, Kyle Bekker and Manjrekar James of the Canadian Men's National Team. Additionally, there has been at least one Sigma graduate in each of the 37 Canadian Men's National Team camps since January 2013 and more than 140 Sigma graduates have gone on to play NCAA and U Sports soccer on scholarship.

As Head Coach of the Sigma FC First Team in Leaguel Ontario, the 39-year-old Smyrniotis led the academy's top team as one the winningest clubs since the league's inception five years ago, including a 28-2-8 record over the last two regular seasons. He was also named a coach in the men's All-Star game in each of the past four seasons.

Prior to Sigma FC, Smyrniotis worked in the youth academy of Greek Super League power Olympiacos FC as an academy coach in 2003 and 2004. Along with his coaching duties, he supported the club's youth Technical Director on curriculum development and presentations for both the club and the Hellenic Football Federation.

Smyrniotis holds a Union of European Football Associations (UEFA) A coaching license and has spent years learning best practices alongside high-standing colleagues at pro clubs across Europe and North America. He has also implemented an internal coaching development program at Sigma FC for graduates to get involved working with youth players.

As a player, Smyrniotis played in both the US and Canadian university systems with the College of Charleston and York University, respectively.

Smyrniotis earned a Master of Science degree in Sports Management from the University of Louisville, graduating with honours at the top of his class. He completed his undergraduate studies at York University, where he completed a Specialized Honours Bachelor of Arts degree in Kinesiology & Health Science.



# JOHAN ALBERT ASSISTANT COACH / GOALKEEPERS COACH

Johan Albert (ZHOH-hahn al-BAIR) joined Forge FC with over 24 years of coaching experience in football in his native France and helped Hamilton's club secure back-to-back Canadian Premier League Championships. Albert's goalkeepers recorded back-to-back clean sheets in CPL championship play, posting a 2-0 win over HFK Wanderers FC in the Final

of the Island Games in 2020 and defeating Cavalry FC 2-0 on aggregate in the inaugural

Canadian Premier League Finals.

Albert has worked closely with goalkeeper Triston Henry, who won the Canadian Premier League's 2020 Golden Glove - awarded to the goalkeeper voted to be the best at his position based on performance and overall support for their Club. Henry started all but one of Forge FC's 11 CPL matches in 2020 at The Island Games, recording a league-best five clean sheets including three consecutive shutouts to finish the season. In addition, he ranked first in the CPL among goaltenders in 2020 appearances (10), minutes (900) and recoveries (tie-79), and second in saves (23). Henry posted a 2-0 clean sheet win over HFK Wanderers FC in the 2020 CPL Final, and has yet to concede a goal in CPL championship play dating back to the two-leg Final in 2019 against Cavalry FC where he recorded a pair of 1-0 clean sheet wins.



The 44-year-old spent 22 years with French professional club FC Nantes, serving his first six years with the academy, coaching youth teams and goalkeepers.

Albert graduated to FC Nantes' first team, where he would spend more than 16 years as an assistant coach focusing on tactical video analysis, scouting and analytics functions.

During his time with the first team, FC Nantes won the Liguel title once, were runners up in Cup Finals, progressed to the second round of Champions League and made the quarter-finals of the UEFA Cup (now Europa League).

Albert has gained international coaching experience as part of the coaching staff of the Democratic Republic of Congo in 2017 and 2018. He led the tactical analysis and opposition scouting efforts during the 2017 African Nations Cup and the 2018 World Cup qualifiers.

Albert holds a UEFA A license and goalkeepers license from the French Football Federation.



# KYRIAKOS SELAIDOPOULOS

#### **ASSISTANT COACH**

Kyriakos "Kyt" Selaidopoulos (sell-EH-daw-P00-luhs) joined Forge FC as an assistant coach in March 2021.

The 43-year-old has served as Technical Director for Club de Soccer Mont-Royal Outremont since 2008 and as Head Coach of the Canadian Futsal National Team since 2016.

Prior to his coaching career, the Montreal, Quebec native had a 15-year professional playing career (1995-2011) with stints in the USISL D-3 Pro League, National Professional Soccer League, USL A-League, Canadian Professional Soccer League and the Major Indoor Soccer League. Among his achievements was assisting the former Montreal Impact of the United Soccer League to a 12-game winning streak, an A-League title and a Voyageurs Cup in 2004.

Selaidopoulos also represented Canada internationally as a player on the Futsal National Team from 2003 to 2012 and at the FIFA Beach Soccer World Cup in 2006.





# DAVID EDGAR

**ASSISTANT COACH** 

David Edgar joined Forge FC as an assistant coach in April 2021, after making 28 appearances for the club over two seasons.

The 34-year-old appeared in 21 Canadian Premier League matches and seven Concacaf League matches from 2019-2020. The 6-3 defender was a part of Forge FC's back-to-back Canadian Premier League championship teams, winning the North Star Shield in the league's inaugural season in 2019 and again in 2020. Edgar announced his retirement from professional football in December 2020 after the club's historic run in Concacaf League, where they became the first team from the CPL to advance to the quarterfinals.

On the international stage, the Kitchener, Ontario native made 42 appearances, including 37 starts, for Canada Soccer's Men's National Team. His tenure included three cycles of FIFA World Cup Qualifiers, two editions of the Concacaf Gold Cup and one edition of Concacaf Nations League Qualifying, registering four goals and three assists overall.

Prior to Forge FC, Edgar logged over a decade in the English leagues, tallying over 220 appearances with five different clubs, including Newcastle United (2006-09), Burnley FC (2009-14), Swansea City (on loan 2009-10), Birmingham City (2014-15) and Sheffield United (2015-16).

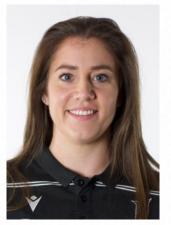


Edgar also had stints in Major League Soccer with the Vancouver Whitecaps (2016-17) as well as in the United Soccer League with Nashville SC (2018) and Ottawa Fury (2018). Edgar had one final stint in England with Hartlepool United (2018-19) before returning home to join Forge FC in August 2019.

## SUPPORT STAFF



Jelani Smith Manager, Soccer Operations



Emily Coleman Athletic Therapist



Joe Hanley Equipment Manager



Jacob Miller Strength & Conditioning Coach



# **ALEX ACHINIOTI-JÖNSSON**

#13 - MIDFIELDER

HT: 6-2 NATIONALITY: Swedish
WT: 180 STATUS: International

DOB: April 17, 1996 PRONUNCIATION: AL-uhks AH-shin-YOH-tee YAWN-son

| SEASON | COMPETITION             | APP | MIN  | G | A | Y | 2Y | R | IN | OUT |
|--------|-------------------------|-----|------|---|---|---|----|---|----|-----|
| 2019   | Canadian Championship   | 2   | 180  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
| 2019   | Concacaf League         | 2   | 180  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
| 2019   | Canadian Premier League | 25  | 1762 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 5  | 4   |
| 2020   | Canadian Premier League | 11  | 794  | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 2  | 3   |
| 2020   | Concacaf League         | 4   | 348  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 1   |



#### **ACQUIRED**

Signed as a free transfer January 31, 2019.

#### **CAREER BIO**

Achinioti-Jönsson has made 44 total appearances for Forge FC over two seasons (2019-20), including 36 in Canadian Premier League play, six in Concacaf League and two Canadian Championship matches, registering three goals and two assists overall. He was part of the club's back-to-back CPL championships in 2019 and 2020, scoring the game-winning goal in the 2020 CPL Finals at The Island Games on September 19, 2020.

Prior to joining Forge, the 6-2 native of Hittarp, Sweden suited up in over 100 matches played in the top Swedish Allsvenskan and Superettan leagues with IFK Varnamo (2018), Helsingborgs IF (2012-17) and Hittarps IK (2011-12). He also represented Sweden at the under-19 youth international level.



## **KWAME AWUAH**

#### #6 - DEFENDER

HT: 5-8 NATIONALITY: Canadian WT: 160 STATUS: Domestic

DOB: Dec. 2, 1995 PRONUNCIATION: KWAH-mee AH-woo-AH

| SEASON | COMPETITION             | APP | MIN  | G | A | Y | 2Y | R | IN | OUT |
|--------|-------------------------|-----|------|---|---|---|----|---|----|-----|
| 2019   | Canadian Championship   | 2   | 63   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 1   |
| 2019   | Concacaf League         | 3   | 270  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 1   |
| 2019   | Canadian Premier League | 27  | 1975 | 0 | 5 | 4 | 0  | 0 | 5  | 5   |
| 2020   | Canadian Premier League | 11  | 842  | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 2  | 0   |
| 2020   | Concacaf League         | 3   | 258  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 1   |



#### **ACQUIRED**

Signed as a free transfer January 29, 2019.

#### **CAREER BIO**

Awuah has made 46 total appearances for Forge FC over two seasons (2019-20), including 38 in Canadian Premier League play, six in Concacaf League and two Canadian Championship matches, registering one goal and six assists overall. He has been a mainstay on the club's back line during its back-to-back CPL championships in 2019 and 2020.

The 5-8 Toronto, Ontario native previously played two seasons with Major League Soccer's New York City FC (2017-18) after being drafted by their former coach Patrick Viera in the first round, 16th overall, in the 2017 MLS Draft. He suited up in 11 MLS games overall.

Awuah appeared in 83 games over four seasons (2013-16) for the University of Connecticut, registering eight goals and 26 assists. During his time with the Huskies, he was named to the American Athletic Conference (AAC) All-Rookie team (2013), earned Midfielder Of The Year honours (2015) and was a two-time First Team selection (2015-16).

Awuah has also represented Canada at the youth and senior level, most recently serving on the provisional squad for the 2017 CONCACAF Gold Cup in the United States. He is also a graduate from Sigma FC academy, where he last played in 2016 and earned selection to the Leaguel Ontario Western Conference All-Star Team.



## **MO BABOULI**

## #18 - ATTACKER

HT:5-8NATIONALITY:CanadianWT:170STATUS:Domestic

DOB: Jan. 2, 1993 PRONUNCIATION: MOH bah-BOO-lee

| SEASON | COMPETITION             | APP | MIN | G | A | Y | 2Y | R | IN | OUT |
|--------|-------------------------|-----|-----|---|---|---|----|---|----|-----|
| 2020   | Canadian Premier League | 10  | 456 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 6  | 4   |
| 2020   | Concacaf League         | 4   | 353 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 2   |



#### **ACQUIRED**

Signed as a free transfer August 4, 2020.

#### **CAREER BIO**

Babouli made 14 total appearances for Forge FC in 2020, including 10 in Canadian Premier League play and four in Concacaf League, registering two goals and three assists overall. He helped the club capture the North Star Shield and make a run to the Concacaf League quarterfinals in his first season with Forge.

The 5-8 attacker previously appeared in 20 matches with six starts for Major League Soccer's Toronto FC in 2016. His professional playing experience also includes stints with the Syrian Premier League's Al-Ittihad SC Aleppo (2017-18), and Leaguel Ontario's Sigma FC (2017) and Toronto FC II (2015-16).

Babouli, who was born in Al Ain (United Arab Emirates) and moved to Mississauga, Ontario when he was three, represented Canada internationally at the U-23 level at both the 2015 Pan American Games and 2015 Concacaf Olympic Qualifiers.



## **KYLE BEKKER**

#### #10 - MIDFIELDER

HT: 5-10 NATIONALITY: Canadian WT: 160 STATUS: Domestic

DOB: Sept. 2, 1990 PRONUNCIATION: KIGH-uhl BECK-UHR

| SEASON | COMPETITION             | APP | MIN  | G | A | Y | 2Y | R | IN | OUT |
|--------|-------------------------|-----|------|---|---|---|----|---|----|-----|
| 2019   | Canadian Championship   | 2   | 180  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
| 2019   | Concacaf League         | 4   | 360  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
| 2019   | Canadian Premier League | 28  | 2444 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 2   |
| 2020   | Canadian Premier League | 11  | 880  | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 5   |
| 2020   | Concacaf League         | 4   | 356  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0  | 1 | 0  | 0   |



#### **ACQUIRED**

Signed as a free transfer November 29, 2018. Re-signed January 26, 2021.

#### **CAREER BIO**

Bekker has made 49 appearances for Forge FC over two seasons (2019-20), including 39 in Canadian Premier League play, eight in Concacaf League and two Canadian Championship matches, serving as the club's captain since its inaugural game. He and teammate Chris Nanco were also the first player signings in Forge FC history on November 29, 2018.

Bekker was named the CPL's 2020 Player of the Year - awarded to the Most Valuable Player in the league based on their overall play and importance to their club - after leading the league in appearances (tie-11) and minutes played by an attacking player (879), while posting a team-high three goals and adding one assist with five shots on target. The 5-10 native of Oakville, Ontario helped lead Forge FC to its second consecutive CPL championship and North Star Shield in 2020 after being crowned the league's inaugural season champion in 2019. He was also a runner-up for the CPL's 2019 Player of the Year Award.

In addition to Forge FC's success in the CPL with Bekker as captain, the team made a historic run in 2020 Concacaf League play capped by becoming the first CPL squad to advance to the quarterfinals of the tournament. The club also earned a berth in the 2020 Canadian Championship Final against Toronto FC, a match that has yet to be played.

Prior to joining Forge FC, Bekker suited up in 58-career Major League Soccer regular season games, including 33 starts, from 2013-16 with Toronto FC, FC Dallas and the Montreal Impact after being selected third overall in the 2013 MLS SuperDraft by Toronto. He spent 2018 with North Carolina FC in the United Soccer League, earning USL All-League Second Team honours, and 2017 with the North American Soccer League's San Francisco Deltas where he helped bring home the league championship.

The Oakville, Ontario native developed through Forge FC head coach Bobby Smyrniotis' Sigma FC youth program and was a member dating back to 2007 while also spending four years at Boston College from 2009-12. With the Eagles, he competed in 80 games and ranks second all-time in school history in assists (22) and 10th in goals (17). He was also a two-time All-ACC first team honoree, an All-ACC second team honoree and earned ACC All-Freshman Team honours.

Internationally, Bekker has 18 senior caps, including 10 starts, with the Canadian Men's National Team from 2012 to 2017 where he recorded two assists overall.



# TRISTAN BORGES

#19 - ATTACKER

HT: 5-7 NATIONALITY: Canadian WT: 150 STATUS: Domestic

DOB: Aug. 26, 1998 PRONUNCIATION: triss-TUHN BOHR-jihs

| SEASON | COMPETITION             | APP | MIN  | G  | A | Y | 2Y | R | IN | OUT |
|--------|-------------------------|-----|------|----|---|---|----|---|----|-----|
| 2019   | Canadian Championship   | 2   | 172  | 0  | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 1   |
| 2019   | Concacaf League         | 4   | 313  | 0  | 0 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 2   |
| 2019   | Canadian Premier League | 27  | 1974 | 13 | 5 | 2 | 0  | 1 | 5  | 7   |



#### **ACQUIRED**

On loan from Oud-Heverlee Leuven of the Belgian Jupiler Pro League on March 5, 2021.

#### **CAREER BIO**

Borges made 33 total appearances for Forge FC in 2019, including 27 in Canadian Premier League play, four in Concacaf League and two Canadian Championship matches. He finished as the CPL's Golden Boot winner with 13 goals and was tied for league lead with five assists. The 5-7 native of Toronto, Ontario scored the game-winning goal in the first leg of the inaugural CPL Finals en route to being crowned a 2019 CPL Champion, the U-21 Player of the Year and the CPL Player of the Year.

In addition, Canada Soccer named Borges to the Men's National Team roster for a 12-day camp in January 2020 where he made his debut as a substitute in an International Friendly against Barbados on January 7. He was then transferred from Forge FC to OH Leuven on January 22, 2020. Borges originally signed as a free transfer with Forge on January 10, 2019.

Prior to his time with OH Leuven and Forge, Borges was a standout player at Dutch club SC Heerenveen from 2016 to 2018 for their Under-21 team in the Beloften Eredivisie. He also previously represented Canada at the youth international level, including at two major CONCACAF championship tournaments. In three appearances at the 2017 Men's Under-20 Championship in San Jose, Costa Rica, Borges registered one assist. He also posted one goal in six matches at the 2015 Men's Under-17 Championship in San Pedro Sula. Honduras.



## **OMAR BROWNE**

#99 - ATTACKER

HT: 5-9 NATIONALITY: Panamanian
WT: 158 STATUS: International

DOB: May 3, 1994 PRONUNCIATION: OH-mahr brow-NEE

#### **ACQUIRED**

On Loan from Club Atletico Independiente de La Chorrera (C.A.I.) of the Liga Panamena de Futbol on June 16, 2021.

#### **CAREER BIO**

Browne appeared in 11 games and scored three goals with Major League Soccer's Montreal Impact (now CF Montreal) in 2019 before returning to C.A. Independiente. The 5-9 native of Panama City has spent most of his career in Panama's first division, suiting up with Plaza Amador (2012-13), Sporting

San Miguelito (2013-14), Chorrillo (2014-15) and C.A.I. (2018-19, 20), scoring 20 goals overall. He also spent time in 2020 with Costa Rica's San Carlos and the Israeli club Hapoel Tel Aviv.

Browne took part in the 2019 edition of the Concacaf Champions League, helping C.A.I. reach the quarterfinals after scoring twice in two games against Toronto FC in the round of 16. He added an assist in the following round against Sporting Kansas City.

Internationally, Browne has 10 caps with the Panamanian national team dating back to 2018, including three appearances in the 2019 Concacaf Gold Cup and numerous friendlies. He has also represented Panama at the youth national level including the 2011 U17 World Cup in Mexico.



# DAVID CHOINIÈRE

#### #7 - ATTACKER

HT: 5-7 NATIONALITY: Canadian WT: 155 STATUS: Domestic

DOB: Feb. 7, 1997 PRONUNCIATION: DAH-veed SHWA-nee-air

| SEASON | COMPETITION             | APP | MIN | G | A | Y | 2Y | R | IN | OUT |
|--------|-------------------------|-----|-----|---|---|---|----|---|----|-----|
| 2019   | Canadian Championship   | 2   | 126 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 2   |
| 2019   | Concacaf League         | 3   | 131 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 2  | 1   |
| 2019   | Canadian Premier League | 18  | 998 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 7  | 7   |
| 2020   | Canadian Premier League | 11  | 598 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 5  | 5   |
| 2020   | Concacaf League         | 4   | 301 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 4   |



#### **ACQUIRED**

Signed as a free transfer March 7, 2019. Re-signed February 11, 2021.

#### **CAREER BIO**

Choiniere has made 38 total appearances for Forge FC over two seasons (2019-20), including 29 in Canadian Premier League play, seven in Concacaf League and two Canadian Championship matches, registering six goals and five assists overall. He was part of the club's back-to-back CPL championships in 2019 and 2020, scoring the game-winning goal in the second leg of the inaugural CPL Finals on November 2, 2019.

Prior to Forge, the 5-7 native of Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu, Quebec made five appearances, including one start, over three seasons (2016-18) with Major League Soccer's Montreal Impact, now known as CF Montreal. In 2016, he also suited up for FC Montreal in the United Soccer League and received the Federation de Soccer du Quebec (FSQ) Male Senior Player of Excellence award.

Internationally, Choiniere was called up by Canada's national soccer team during a friendly against Jamaica in 2017 but did not play. Prior to turning pro, Choiniere joined the Montreal Impact Academy in 2011, playing with the U-15, U-16, U-18 and U-20 teams. He made his debut in the Canadian youth program in 2012 at the Copa de Mexico de Naciones.



# **ELIMANE CISSÉ**

#### #8 - MIDFIELDER

HT: 5-9 NATIONALITY: Senegalese
WT: 135 STATUS: International

DOB: March 12, 1995 PRONUNCIATION: ELL-ee-MAWN see-SAY

| SEASON | COMPETITION             | APP | MIN  | G | A | Y | 2Y | R | IN | OUT |
|--------|-------------------------|-----|------|---|---|---|----|---|----|-----|
| 2019   | Canadian Championship   | 2   | 180  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
| 2019   | Concacaf League         | 2   | 137  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 2   |
| 2019   | Canadian Premier League | 23  | 1732 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 2  | 11  |
| 2020   | Canadian Premier League | 8   | 539  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 2  | 1   |
| 2020   | Concacaf League         | 2   | 103  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 1   |



#### **ACQUIRED**

Signed as a free transfer February 26, 2019.

#### **CAREER BIO**

Cisse has made 37 total appearances for Forge FC over two seasons (2019-20), including 31 in Canadian Premier League play, four in Concacaf League and two Canadian Championship matches, registering two goals and two assists overall. He was part of the club's back-to-back CPL championships in 2019 and 2020.

Cisse previously spent time with Senegalese club Diambars de Saly Dourbel. The dynamic 5-9 midfielder also has extensive experience on the international stage having represented his native Senegal twelve times at the senior national team level and nineteen times at the youth level, including as a semi-finalist at the 2015 FIFA U20 World Cup in New Zealand.



# **ROBBIE CLEARY**

## #28 - ATTACKER

HT: 6-0 NATIONALITY: Canadian WT: 160 STATUS: Domestic

DOB: May 15, 2003 PRONUNCIATION: raw-BEE clear-EE



Added as a CPL Development Player on June 24, 2021.

#### **CAREER BIO**

Cleary is a 6-0 attacker from Burlington, Ontario who was a youth player from Sigma FC that was added to the Forge FC roster as a development player.





# **SANTIAGO FRIAS**

## #26 - DEFENDER

HT: 6-4 NATIONALITY: Canadian WT: N/A STATUS: Domestic

DOB: June 20, 2003 PRONUNCIATION: san-TEE-aw-GOH FREE-UHS

#### **ACQUIRED**

Added as a CPL Development Player on June 24, 2021.

#### **CAREER BIO**

Frias is a 6-4 defender from Oakville, Ontario who was a youth player from Sigma FC that was added to the Forge FC roster as a development player.







# **JONATHAN GRANT**

#### #2 - DEFENDER

HT: 6-2 NATIONALITY: Canadian WT: 180 STATUS: Domestic

DOB: Oct. 15, 1993 PRONUNCIATION: jawn-AH-thuhn GRANT

| SEASON | COMPETITION             | APP | MIN | G | A | Υ | 2Y | R | IN | OUT |
|--------|-------------------------|-----|-----|---|---|---|----|---|----|-----|
| 2019   | Canadian Championship   | 0   | 0   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
| 2019   | Concacaf League         | 3   | 270 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
| 2019   | Canadian Premier League | 13  | 882 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 6   |
| 2020   | Canadian Premier League | 4   | 274 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 4   |
| 2020   | Concacaf League         | 3   | 224 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1  | 1 | 0  | 1   |



#### **ACQUIRED**

Signed as a free transfer February 26, 2019. Re-Signed February 11, 2021.

#### **CAREER BIO**

Grant has made 23 total appearances for Forge FC over two seasons (2019-20), including 17 in Canadian Premier League play and six in Concacaf League, registering one goal and one assist overall. He was part of the club's back-to-back CPL championships in 2019 and 2020.

The 6-2 native of Pickering, Ontario has also spent time with Nyköpings BIS in Sweden (2018), two seasons with Sigma FC in Leaguel Ontario (2014, 2017) where he earned Leaguel Ontario Defender of the Year honours and Leaguel Ontario First Team All Star status in 2017, and the Swope Park Rangers (2016) and FC Montreal (2015) of the USL. With the Rangers, he was part of the team that won the Western Conference Championship and was USL runners-up.

Grant was called up by the Canadian Men's National team in 2015 under Benito Floro but did not see game action. In the same year he also represented Canada at the U-23 level at both the Pan-American Games in Hamilton and Olympic Qualifiers in the United States.



## TRISTON HENRY

#### #1 - GOALKEEPER

HT: 6-0 NATIONALITY: Canadian
WT: 180 STATUS: Domestic

DOB: Sept. 8, 1993 PRONUNCIATION: triss-TUHN hen-REE

| SEASON | COMPETITION             | APP | MIN  | CS | Y | <b>2Y</b> | R |
|--------|-------------------------|-----|------|----|---|-----------|---|
| 2019   | Canadian Championship   | 1   | 90   | 0  | 0 | 0         | 0 |
| 2019   | Concacaf League         | 4   | 360  | 2  | 2 | 0         | 0 |
| 2019   | Canadian Premier League | 22  | 1980 | 9  | 3 | 0         | 0 |
| 2020   | Canadian Premier League | 10  | 900  | 5  | 0 | 0         | 0 |
| 2020   | Concacaf League         | 4   | 360  | 0  | 0 | 0         | 0 |



#### **ACQUIRED**

Signed as a free transfer February 25, 2019. Re-signed January 28, 2021.

#### **CAREER BIO**

Henry has made 41 total appearances for Forge FC over two seasons (2019-20), including 32 in CPL play, eight in Concacaf League and one Canadian Championship match.

He won the Canadian Premier League's 2020 Golden Glove - awarded to the goalkeeper voted to be the best at his position based on performance and overall support for their Club. The 6-0 native of Scarborough, Ontario started all but one of Forge FC's 11 CPL matches in 2020 at The Island Games, recording a league-best five clean sheets including three consecutive shutouts to finish the season. In addition, Henry ranked first in the CPL among goaltenders in 2020 appearances (10), minutes (900) and recoveries (tie-79), and second in saves (23).

Henry's efforts were capped by a 2-0 clean sheet win over HFK Wanderers FC in the 2020 CPL Final, helping Forge FC bring home back-to-back North Star Shields. He has yet to concede a goal in CPL championship play dating back to the two-leg Final in 2019 against Cavalry FC where he recorded a pair of 1-0 clean sheet wins.

In 2019, Henry made 22 appearances in CPL play, finished tied for first in the CPL with nine clean sheets. He also made one start in Canadian Championship play and four starts with two clean sheets in Concacaf league play. Henry started both legs of the CPL Finals, recording a clean sheet in both matches, defeating Cavalry FC 2-0 on aggregate and was crowned a CPL Champion.

Prior to joining Forge, he established himself as one of the top goalkeepers in Leaguel Ontario with Sigma FC (2016-18), making 51 appearances with Sigma FC in Leaguel Ontario. Henry posted 4,570 minutes played and a 1.04 goals against average.

Henry also had successful stints at Quinnipiac University (2015), the University of Connecticut (2014) and Herkimer Community College (2012-13). He led the Generals to back-to-back NJCAA Championships in 2012 and 2013, finishing his junior college career with 29 shutouts including both National Championship games. Henry earned numerous awards and honours during his time at Herkimer, including selections to the NSCAA All-Region First Team and All-National Tournament team as a sophomore, as well as being named an NSCAA and NJCAA All-American in 2013 and a NSCAA Second Team All-American in 2012.



# **DEJAN JAKOVIC**

#### #3 - DEFENDER

HT: 6-3 NATIONALITY: Canadian WT: 180 STATUS: Domestic

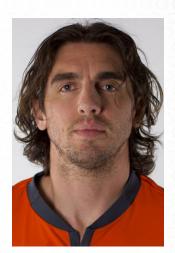
DOB: July 16, 1985 PRONUNCIATION: DAY-awn YA-koh-vitch



Signed as a free transfer May 13, 2021.

#### **CAREER BIO**

Jakovic most recently played 42 games over three seasons (2018-20) for Major League Soccer's Los Angeles FC, registering one goal and winning the Supporters Shield in 2018. The 6-3 centerback's MLS experience also includes a five-year stint (2009-13) with D.C. United where he was part of their 2013 U.S. Open Cup winning team. Overall, he has suited up in 154 regular season, cup and Concacaf Champions League matches during his time in MLS.



Between his stops in the MLS, Jakovic played 53 games over three seasons (2014-16) with the Shimizu S-Pulse in the J1 League of the Japan Professional Football League, and spent the 2017 season with the New York Cosmos who competed in the North American Soccer League at the time.

He started his professional career in 2008 with the Red Star Belgrade in the Serbian SuperLiga after playing collegiately at the University of Alabama at Birmingham from 2004 to 2007.

Jakovic, who grew up in Etobicoke, Ontario, also has 41 caps for Canada including three as team captain. He made his international debut in 2008 and has since suited up in several competitions for the Red and White, including Concacaf Gold Cup matches in 2009, 2011, 2015 and 2017, and numerous World Cup qualifiers.



# **DANIEL KRUTZEN**

#### #5 - DEFENDER

HT: 6-0 NATIONALITY: Dutch

WT: 170 STATUS: International

DOB: Sept. 19, 1996 PRONUNCIATION: DAN-yuhl KRUHT-zihn

| SEASON | COMPETITION             | APP | MIN  | G | A | Y | 2Y | R | IN | OUT |
|--------|-------------------------|-----|------|---|---|---|----|---|----|-----|
| 2019   | Canadian Championship   | 2   | 180  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
| 2019   | Concacaf League         | 4   | 360  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
| 2019   | Canadian Premier League | 28  | 2471 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 1   |
| 2020   | Canadian Premier League | 11  | 961  | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 1   |
| 2020   | Concacaf League         | 4   | 360  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |



#### **ACQUIRED**

Signed as a free transfer March 2, 2019. Re-signed February 16, 2021.

#### **CAREER BIO**

Krutzen has made 49 appearances for Forge FC over two seasons (2019-20), including 39 in Canadian Premier League play, eight in Concacaf League and two Canadian Championship matches, registering six goals and two assists overall. The 6-0 versatile defender has played a significant role in the club's back-to-back CPL championships, logging more total minutes played (4,332) than any other Forge player since the team's inception in 2019.

Born in Brunssum, Netherlands, Krutzen grew up in Lanaken, Belgium developing through Belgium's famous KRC Genk youth academy to the U-19 Reserve team level. He then moved to the United States on an athletic scholarship and played three seasons with the University of Albany (2016-18) in the NCAA, appearing in 55 career matches (51 starts) and recording eight goals and 19 assists. Krutzen was named to the NCAA 2017 All-America Third Team and All-East First Team.



# **BAJ MAAN**

#### #31 - GOALKEEPER

HT: 6-3 NATIONALITY: Canadian
WT: 185 STATUS: Domestic

DOB: July 12, 2000 PRONUNCIATION: BAHJ MAWN

| SEASON | COMPETITION             | APP | MIN | CS | Y | 2Y | R |
|--------|-------------------------|-----|-----|----|---|----|---|
| 2020   | Canadian Premier League | 1   | 90  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0 |
| 2020   | Concacaf League         | 0   | 0   | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0 |



#### **ACQUIRED**

Signed as a free transfer July 31, 2020.

#### **CAREER BIO**

Maan made one appearance for Forge FC in 2020; his Canadian Premier League debut and first-career start in a 2-2 draw with Valour FC on September 5. He was part of the club's Canadian Premier League championship run at The Island Games.

The 6-3 native of Brampton, Ontario previously signed a CPL Development Contract with Forge FC in the summer of 2019 and spent time on the active roster before heading to Northern Kentucky University in the fall. Maan made 17 starts as the primary goalkeeper for the Norse, finishing the season with a 7-9-1 record, a 1.59 GAA and a .714 save percentage. He recorded clean sheets against Canisius (Sept. 8, 2-0), Berea (Oct. 9, 11-0) and Bradley (Nov. 1, 5-0).

A product of the Sigma FC academy, Maan competed at all youth levels at the club including Leaguel Ontario.



# **GARVEN METUSALA**

#### #23 - DEFENDER

HT: 6-1 NATIONALITY: Canadian WT: N/A STATUS: Domestic

DOB: Dec. 31, 1999 PRONUNCIATION: GAHR-vihn meh-T00-suh-lah

#### **ACQUIRED**

Selected by Forge FC in the first round, eighth overall, in the 2021 CPL-U SPORTS Draft. Signed to a contract June 23, 2021.

#### **CAREER BIO**

Metusala was selected eighth overall out of Concordia University by Forge FC in the 2021 CPL-U SPORTS Draft in January. The 6-1 native of Terrebonne, Quebec never suited up for the Concordia Stingers in a regular season game due to the COVID-19 pandemic, but spent the 2020 season with

PLSQ club AS Blainville where he helped capture a league title. He also spent time at the semi-pro level with St. Hubert and more recently with SC Fabrose, winning the PLSQ Cup in 2019.

Metusala was an assistant captain with Team Quebec in 2017 when they won a bronze medal at the Canada Games in Winnipeg. He also played two seasons with Dawson College, including 2017 when the Blues won the RSEQ bronze medal.





# **MONTI MOHSEN**

## #22 - DEFENDER

HT: 5-9 NATIONALITY: Canadian WT: 160 STATUS: Domestic

DOB: June 13, 2000 PRONUNCIATION: MAWN-tee MAW-sin

| SEASON | COMPETITION             | APP | MIN | G | A | Y | 2Y | R | IN | OUT |
|--------|-------------------------|-----|-----|---|---|---|----|---|----|-----|
| 2019   | Canadian Championship   | 0   | 0   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
| 2019   | Concacaf League         | 0   | 0   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
| 2019   | Canadian Premier League | 9   | 362 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0  | 0 | 5  | 3   |
| 2020   | Canadian Premier League | 3   | 209 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 2   |
| 2020   | Concacaf League         | 1   | 11  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0   |



#### **ACQUIRED**

Signed as a free transfer March 2, 2019.

#### **CAREER BIO**

Mohsen has made 13 total appearances for Forge FC over two seasons (2019-20), including 12 in Canadian Premier League play and one in Concacaf League, registering one goal and helping the club capture back-to-back CPL championships.

In 2018, he made six appearances for Sigma FC in Leaguel Ontario and one appearance for the Ottawa Fury in the USL.

The 5-9 native of Ottawa, Ontario made his debut in the Canadian youth national team program in 2017 in the lead up to the CONCACAF Under-17 Championship. Mohsen also appeared for Team Ontario in the 2017 Canada Summer Games, scoring the lone goal in a 1-0 win over Team Alberta in the gold medal final.



## **CHRIS NANCO**

#### #11 - ATTACKER

 HT:
 5-7
 NATIONALITY:
 Canadian

 WT:
 145
 STATUS:
 Domestic

 DOB:
 Feb. 15, 1995
 PRONUNCIATION:
 KRISS NANK-oh

| SEASON | COMPETITION             | APP | MIN  | G | A | Y | 2Y | R | IN | OUT |
|--------|-------------------------|-----|------|---|---|---|----|---|----|-----|
| 2019   | Canadian Championship   | 1   | 8    | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0   |
| 2019   | Concacaf League         | 2   | 162  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 1   |
| 2019   | Canadian Premier League | 26  | 1497 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 11 | 7   |
| 2020   | Canadian Premier League | 5   | 224  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 4   |
| 2020   | Concacaf League         | 2   | 73   | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 2  | 2   |



#### **ACQUIRED**

Signed as a free transfer November 29, 2018. Re-signed February 18, 2021.

#### **CAREER BIO**

Nanco has made 36 appearances for Forge FC over two seasons (2019-20), including 31 in Canadian Premier League play, four in Concacaf League and one Canadian Championship match, registering seven goals and two assists overall. The 5-7 attacker, who along with teammate Kyle Bekker were the first signings in Forge FC history on November 29, 2018, has helped lead the club to back-to-back CPL championships.

Prior to joining Forge FC, Nanco made 60 appearances for the Bethlehem Steel in the United Soccer League over two seasons (2017-18), registering nine goals and six assists. Before his stint in the USL, he was selected in the third round, 55th overall, in the 2017 MLS SuperDraft by the Philadelphia Union.

The Brampton, Ontario native spent the four previous years at Syracuse University (2013-16), appearing in 84 career games and recording 21 goals and seven assists. Nanco developed through Sigma FC's youth teams competing at all levels all the way up to Sigma FC's Leaguel Ontario team.

Internationally, Nanco has represented Canada at the under-17 and under-20 levels, earning a silver medal at the 2011 CONCACAF U17 Championships.



# **JOSHUA NAVARRO**

#25 - MIDFIELDER

HT: 5-10 NATIONALITY: Costa Rican
WT: 150 STATUS: International

DOB: March 11, 1999 PRONUNCIATION: JAW-shoo-wuh nah-VAHR-roh

#### **ACQUIRED**

On Loan from from A.D. Municipal Perez Zeledon of the Primera Division de Costa Rica on June 15, 2021.

#### **CAREER BIO**

Navarro made over 60 appearances for Perez Zeledon since making his pro debut for the club in July 2018 at the age of 19. He has registered 10 goals while logging over 3,100 minutes played. He has also spent time with their U20 squad dating back to 2017. The 5-10 native of San Isidro de El

General made two international appearances for Costa Rica at the 2018 Concacaf U20 Championship and notched one goal and one assist.





# **KOSI NWAFORNSO**

#9 - ATTACKER

HT: 6-1 NATIONALITY: Nigerian
WT: 170 STATUS: International

DOB: Sept. 19, 1997 PRONUNCIATION: KOH-see nwah-FOHRN-soh

#### **ACQUIRED**

Signed as a free transfer June 23, 2021.

#### **CAREER BIO**

Nwafornso played 65 games with 55 starts over four seasons at St. Bonaventure University (2015-2018), registering 18 goals and seven assists overall. His accolades with the Bonnies include being named to the United Coaches Scholar All-East Team (2018), the Second Team All-Conference (2018), the Atlantic Academic All-Conference Team (2018), the Atlantic 10 Commissioner's Honor Roll (2016-18), and the Atlantic 10 All-Rookie Team (2015).



The 6-1 attacker who was born in Abuja, Nigeria, also recently suited up with the Colorado Pride Switchbacks in the USL League Two where he recorded three goals and one assist in nine appearances.



### **PAOLO SABAK**

### #24 - ATTACKER

HT: 5-9 NATIONALITY: Belgian

WT: 150 STATUS: International

DOB: Feb. 10, 1999 PRONUNCIATION: PAWL-oh say-BACK

| SEASON | COMPETITION             | APP | MIN | G | A | Y | 2Y | R | IN | OUT |
|--------|-------------------------|-----|-----|---|---|---|----|---|----|-----|
| 2020   | Canadian Premier League | 11  | 752 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 3  | 6   |
| 2020   | Concacaf League         | 4   | 177 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 2  | 2   |



### **ACQUIRED**

Signed as a free transfer April 23, 2020.

### **CAREER BIO**

Sabak joined Forge FC in 2020 and was part of the club's Canadian Premier League championship run. He made 15 total appearances for the club, including 11 in CPL play and four in Concacaf League, registering two goals and two assists overall.

The Mechelen, Belgium native developed through one of Europe's top youth academies, KRC Genk. He graduated to the Genk first team when he was just 17 years old, making his debut on a team that featured star midfielders Alejandro Pozuelo and Wilfred Ndidi, among others.

In 2018, Sabak transferred to Dutch club NEC Nijmegen where he made 30 appearances. The 5-9 attacking midfielder was also a regular call up to Belgian youth national teams from the U15-U19 age groups, making 22 appearances for the Young Red Devils.



### **DOMINIC SAMUEL**

### #4 - DEFENDER

HT: 5-10 NATIONALITY: Canadian WT: 200 STATUS: Domestic

DOB: Sept. 29, 1994 PRONUNCIATION: DOM-ih-nick SAM-yoo-uhl

| SEASON | COMPETITION             | APP | MIN  | G | A | Y | 2Y | R | IN | OUT |
|--------|-------------------------|-----|------|---|---|---|----|---|----|-----|
| 2019   | Canadian Championship   | 2   | 180  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
| 2019   | Concacaf League         | 4   | 347  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 1   |
| 2019   | Canadian Premier League | 26  | 2135 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 1  | 1 | 1  | 4   |
| 2020   | Canadian Premier League | 10  | 721  | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0  | 0 | 2  | 2   |
| 2020   | Concacaf League         | 4   | 272  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0   |



### **ACQUIRED**

Signed as a free transfer February 25, 2019.

### **CAREER BIO**

Samuel has made 46 total appearances for Forge FC over two seasons (2019-20), including 36 in Canadian Premier League play, eight in Concacaf League and two Canadian Championship matches, registering two assists overall. He has been a mainstay on the club's back line during its back-to-back CPL championships in 2019 and 2020.

Prior to joining Forge, Samuel was a two-time Leaguel Ontario Defender of the Year and First-Team All Star (2015, 2018) with Sigma FC, spent the 2016 season with the United Soccer League's Rochester Rhinos and had a four-year career at Southern New Hampshire University (2012-15) in NCAA Division II. The 5-10 native of Toronto, Ontario anchored a backline that won the NCAA Division II title in 2013 and personally earned All-American & All-Conference honours all four years with the Penmen.



### **JOHNNY SON**

### #27 - MIDFIELDER

HT: 5-11 NATIONALITY: Canadian WT: N/A STATUS: Domestic

DOB: May 30, 2003 PRONUNCIATION: JAWN-nee SUHN



Signed as a free transfer June 24, 2021.

### **CAREER BIO**

Son comes from the youth of Sigma FC where he has developed since the age of 11 and competed all the way up to the Sigma first team in Leaguel Ontario play. The 5-11 native of Oakville, Ontario's multi-year deal with Forge FC marks his first professional soccer contract.





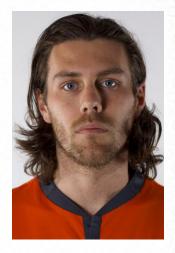
### **MAXIM TISSOT**

### #15 - DEFENDER

HT:5-10NATIONALITY:CanadianWT:165STATUS:Domestic

DOB: April 3, 1992 PRONUNCIATION: max-EEM tee-SOH

| SEASON | COMPETITION             | APP | MIN | G | A | Y | 2Y | R | IN | OUT |
|--------|-------------------------|-----|-----|---|---|---|----|---|----|-----|
| 2020   | Canadian Premier League | 11  | 392 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 8  | 3   |
| 2020   | Concacaf League         | 3   | 97  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 2  | 0   |



### **ACQUIRED**

Signed as a free transfer July 22, 2020.

### **CAREER BIO**

Tissot appeared in 14 total games with Forge FC in 2020, including 11 in Canadian Premier League play and three Concacaf League matches. The 5-10 native of Gatineau, Quebec registered one goal and two assists overall while helping the team capture the North Star Shield and make a run to the Concacaf League quarterfinals.

Tissot has appeared in 45 career Major League Soccer matches in his career with the Montreal Impact (2013-16) and D.C. United (2017), scoring five goals. He has also suited up in over 70 matches in the North American Soccer League (NASL) and United Soccer League (USL), including stints with the Ottawa Fury (2016, 2018-19) and San Francisco Deltas (2017). Tissot won the 2017 Soccer Bowl with the Deltas alongside current Forge FC Captain Kyle Bekker, was a member of two Canadian Championship winning teams with the Impact in 2013 and 2014, and was also a finalist with the Impact in the 2015 Concacaf Champions League.

Internationally, Tissot has made 13 senior international appearances for Canada (seven starts), most notably in 2015 at the Concacaf Gold Cup and a pair of World Cup qualifiers.





# SEASONS IN REUIEU







### **PLAYER STATS**

| #  | NAME                      | POS      | NAT | СОМР                    | APP | MIN | G | A | Υ | 2Y | R | IN | OUT |
|----|---------------------------|----------|-----|-------------------------|-----|-----|---|---|---|----|---|----|-----|
|    |                           |          |     |                         |     |     |   |   |   |    |   | _  |     |
| 2  | Jonathan Grant            | DF       | CA  | Canadian Premier League | 4   | 274 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 4   |
|    |                           |          |     | Concacaf League         | 3   | 224 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1  | 1 | 0  | 1   |
| 4  | Dominic Samuel            | DF       | CA  | Canadian Premier League | 10  | 721 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0  | 0 | 2  | 2   |
| _  |                           |          |     | Concacaf League         | 4   | 272 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0   |
| 5  | Daniel Krutzen            | DF       | NL  | Canadian Premier League | 11  | 961 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 1   |
|    |                           |          |     | Concacaf League         | 4   | 360 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
| 6  | Kwame Awuah               | MF       | CA  | Canadian Premier League | 11  | 842 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 2  | 0   |
|    | 55000                     |          |     | Concacaf League         | 3   | 258 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 1   |
| 7  | David Choiniere           | ATT      | CA  | Canadian Premier League | 11  | 598 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 5  | 5   |
|    |                           |          |     | Concacaf League         | 4   | 301 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 4   |
| 8  | Elimane Cisse             | MF       | SN  | Canadian Premier League | 8   | 539 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 2  | 1   |
|    |                           |          |     | Concacaf League         | 2   | 103 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 1   |
| 9  | Marcel Zajac              | ATT      | CA  | Canadian Premier League | 4   | 238 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 4   |
|    |                           |          |     | Concacaf League         | 0   | 0   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
| 10 | Kyle Bekker               | MF       | CA  | Canadian Premier League | 11  | 880 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 5   |
|    |                           |          |     | Concacaf League         | 4   | 356 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0  | 1 | 0  | 0   |
| 11 | Chris Nanco               | ATT      | CA  | Canadian Premier League | 5   | 224 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 4   |
|    | 0.0/0/03                  |          |     | Concacaf League         | 2   | 73  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 2  | 2   |
| 13 | Alex Achinioti-Jönsson    | MF       | SE  | Canadian Premier League | 11  | 794 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 2  | 3   |
|    |                           |          |     | Concacaf League         | 4   | 348 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 1   |
| 14 | David Edgar               | DF       | CA  | Canadian Premier League | 10  | 900 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
|    |                           |          |     | Concacaf League         | 4   | 360 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
| 15 | Maxim Tissot              | DF       | CA  | Canadian Premier League | 11  | 392 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 8  | 3   |
|    |                           |          |     | Concacaf League         | 3   | 97  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 2  | 0   |
| 16 | Klaidi Cela               | DF       | CA  | Canadian Premier League | 2   | 2   | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 2  | 0   |
|    | 0.0000                    |          |     | Concacaf League         | 0   | 0   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
| 17 | Kadell Thomas             | ATT      | CA  | Canadian Premier League | 9   | 283 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 8  | 2   |
|    |                           |          |     | Concacaf League         | 4   | 165 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 3   |
| 19 | Mo Bobouli                | ATT      | CA  | Canadian Premier League | 10  | 456 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 6  | 4   |
|    |                           |          |     | Concacaf League         | 4   | 353 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 2   |
| 20 | G. Wiethaeuper-Balbinotti | ATT      | CA  | Canadian Premier League | 6   | 203 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 3  | 3   |
|    |                           |          |     | Concacaf League         | 0   | 0   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
| 21 | Jordan Dunstan            | DF       | CA  | Canadian Premier League | 6   | 252 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 4  | 0   |
|    |                           |          |     | Concacaf League         | 3   | 32  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 3  | 0   |
| 22 | Montther Mohsen           | DF       | CA  | Canadian Premier League | 3   | 209 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 2   |
|    |                           |          |     | Concacaf League         | 1   | 11  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0   |
| 23 | Anthony Novak             | ATT      | CA  | Canadian Premier League | 9   | 380 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 5  | 4   |
|    |                           |          | -   | Concacaf League         | 4   | 80  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 4  | 0   |
| 24 | Paolo Sabak               | MF       | BE  | Canadian Premier League | 11  | 752 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 3  | 6   |
|    | . 2010 000011             | <u> </u> | -   | Concacaf League         | 4   | 177 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 2  | 2   |
|    |                           |          |     | Canadian Championship   | 0   | 0   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
|    |                           |          |     | Concacof League         | 0   | 0   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | _   |

### **MATCH RESULTS**

| CANAD  | CANADIAN PREMIER LEAGUE SEASON (1ST STAGE) |       |             |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------|--|-------|-------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| DATE   | HOME                                       | SCORE | AWAY        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aug 13 | Forge FC                                   | 2-2   | Cavalry FC  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aug 16 | Forge FC                                   | 2-0   | FC Edmonton |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aug 19 | HFX Wanderers FC                           | 1-1   | Forge FC    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aug 22 | Forge FC                                   | 2-1   | Pacific FC  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aug 26 | York 9 FC                                  | 3-2   | Forge FC    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aug 30 | Atletico Ottawa                            | 0-2   | Forge FC    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sep 5  | Forge FC                                   | 2-2   | Valour FC   |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| CANAD  | CANADIAN PREMIER LEAGUE SEASON (GROUP STAGE) |       |            |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------|--|-------|------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| DATE   | HOME   | SCORE | AWAY       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sep 9  | HFX Wanderers FC                             | 1-1   | Forge FC   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sep 12 | Forge FC                                     | 2-0   | Pacific FC |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sep 15 | Cavalry FC                                   | 0-1   | Forge FC   |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| CHAMI  | CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL |                 |                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------|--------------------|-----------------|------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| DATE   | HOME               | HOME SCORE AWAY |                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sep 19 | Forge FC           | 2-0             | HFX Wanderers FC |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| CONC   | CONCACAF LEAGUE  |           |          |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------|------------------|-----------|----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| DATE   | НОМЕ             | SCORE     | AWAY     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct 22 | Municipal Limeno | 1-2       | Forge FC |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Nov 3  | Touro            | 1-2       | Forge FC |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec 1  | Arcahaie         | 1-1 (4-2) | Forge FC |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec 8  | Marathon         | 1-0       | Forge FC |  |  |  |  |  |  |

### THE ISLAND GAMES

Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island was the host location for the entire Canadian Premier League 2020 season due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Island Games started on Thursday, August 13 with all eight Canadian Premier League Clubs participating: HFK Wanderers FC, Atletico Ottawa, York9 FC, Forge FC, Valour FC, FC Edmonton, Cavalry FC and Pacific FC.

All matches were played at the University of Prince Edward Island (UPEI)'s Alumni Place Turf Field.



### PLAYER STATS (CONTINUED)

| GO | ALKEEPERS     |     |     |                         |     |     |    |   |    |   |
|----|---------------|-----|-----|-------------------------|-----|-----|----|---|----|---|
| #  | NAME          | POS | NAT | СОМР                    | APP | MIN | CS | Y | Y2 | R |
| 1  | Triston Henry | GK  | CA  | Canadian Premier League | 10  | 900 | 5  | 0 | 0  | 0 |
|    |               |     |     | Concacaf League         | 4   | 360 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0 |
| 31 | Baj Maan      | GK  | CA  | Canadian Premier League | 1   | 90  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0 |
|    |               |     |     | Concacaf League         | 0   | 0   | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0 |



### **HIGHLIGHTS**

**TECHNICAL DIRECTOR & HEAD COACH Bobby Smyrniotis** 

**TEAM CAPTAIN** Kule Bekker

### **CPL RESULTS**

Won North Star Shield as CPL Champion

### **CPL AWARDS**

Winners:

PLAYER OF THE YEAR - Kyle Bekker GOLDEN GLOVE (Top Goalkeeper) - Triston Henry Finalist:

**COACH** OF THE YEAR - Bobby Smyrniotis

CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS Will host Toronto FC in Final (TBD)

### **CONCACAF RESULTS**

Lost in Quarterfinals





5. TEGUCIGALPA, HONDURAS

VS CD MARATHÓN - DECEMBER 8TH

### **PLAYER STATS**

| #  | NAME                   | POS     | NAT  | СОМР   | APP | MIN  | G | A | Υ | 2Y | R | IN | OI |
|----|------------------------|---------|------|--|-----|------|---|---|---|----|---|----|----|
| 2  | Jonathan Grant         | DF      | CA   | Canadian Premier League                        | 13  | 882  | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 6  |
| _  | John Hall Grain        | 1 51    | UII  | Canadian Championship                          | 0   | 0    | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  |
| _  |                        |         |      | Concacaf League                                | 3   | 270  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  |
| ;  | Elimane Cisse          | MF      | SN   | Canadian Premier League                        | 23  | 1732 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 2  | 11 |
| _  | FIIIIIIIII CI226       | l IIIIr | JN . |  | 2   | 180  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  |
| -  |                        |         |      | Canadian Championship Concacaf League          | 2   | 180  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 2  |
| 1  | Dominic Samuel         | DF      | CA   | ,  | 26  | 2135 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 1  | 1 | 1  | 4  |
| 1  | Donninic Sumaer        | Dr.     | Un   | Canadian Premier League  Canadian Championship | 2   | 180  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  |
| _  |                        |         |      | Concacof League                                | 4   | 347  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 1  |
| 5  | Daniel Krutzen         | DF      | NL   | -  | 28  | 2471 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 1  |
| _  | Dulliel Krutzell       | Ur      | NL   | Canadian Premier League                        | 20  | 180  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  |
| _  |                        |         |      | Canadian Championship                          | 4   | 360  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  |
| 6  | Vuuama Auurah          | MF      | CA   | Concacaf League                                | 27  | 1975 | 0 | 5 | 4 | 0  | 0 | 5  | 5  |
| 0  | Kwame Awuah            | IIII    | LH   | Canadian Premier League                        |     |      | _ | - | - | -  | - | -  | ⊢  |
| _  |                        |         |      | Canadian Championship                          | 2   | 63   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 1  |
| _  | Devide the device of   | 477     |      | Concacaf League                                | 3   | 270  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 1  |
| 7  | David Choiniere        | ATT     | CA   | Canadian Premier League                        | 18  | 998  | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 7  | 7  |
| _  |                        |         |      | Canadian Championship                          | 2   | 126  | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 2  |
| _  |                        |         |      | Concacaf League                                | 3   | 131  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 2  | 1  |
| 8  | Giuliano Frano         | MF      | CA   | Canadian Premier League                        | 26  | 1962 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 0  | 0 | 6  | 3  |
| _  |                        |         |      | Canadian Championship                          | 2   | 171  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 1  |
| _  |                        |         |      | Concacaf League                                | 3   | 206  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0  |
| 9  | Marcel Zajac           | ATT     | CA   | Canadian Premier League                        | 22  | 1073 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 0  | 0 | 10 | 8  |
|    |                        |         |      | Canadian Championship                          | 1   | 27   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0  |
|    |                        |         |      | Concacaf League                                | 3   | 74   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 2  | 1  |
| 10 | Kyle Bekker            | MF      | CA   | Canadian Premier League                        | 28  | 2444 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 2  |
|    |                        |         |      | Canadian Championship                          | 2   | 180  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0  |
|    |                        |         |      | Concacaf League                                | 4   | 360  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  |
| 11 | Chris Nanco            | ATT     | CA   | Canadian Premier League                        | 26  | 1497 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 11 | 7  |
|    |                        |         |      | Canadian Championship                          | 1   | 8    | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0  |
|    |                        |         |      | Concacaf League                                | 2   | 162  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 1  |
| 12 | Jace Kotsopoulos       | ATT     | CA   | Canadian Premier League                        | 3   | 138  | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 2  | 1  |
|    |                        |         |      | Canadian Championship                          | 1   | 27   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0  |
|    |                        |         |      | Concacaf League                                | 1   | 25   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0  |
| 13 | Alex Achinioti-Jönsson | MF      | SE   | Canadian Premier League                        | 25  | 1762 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 5  | 4  |
|    |                        |         |      | Canadian Championship                          | 2   | 180  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  |
|    |                        |         |      | Concacaf League                                | 2   | 180  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  |
| 14 | Emry Welshman          | ATT     | GY   | Canadian Premier League                        | 11  | 932  | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 3  |
|    |                        |         |      | Canadian Championship                          | 1   | 90   | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 1  |
|    |                        |         |      | Concacaf League                                | 1   | 82   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 1  |
| 15 | Oluwaseun Oyegunle     | DF      | CA   | Canadian Premier League                        | 1   | 38   | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0  |
|    |                        | 7 1     |      | Canadian Championship                          | 0   | 0    | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  |
|    |                        |         |      | Concacaf League                                | 0   | 0    | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  |
| 16 | Klaidi Cela            | DF      | CA   | Canadian Premier League                        | 8   | 326  | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 5  | 1  |
|    |                        |         |      | Canadian Championship                          | 1   | 9    | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0  |
|    |                        |         |      | Concacaf League                                | 1   | 0    | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0  |

### MATCH RESULTS

| CANAI    | DIAN PREMIER     | LEAGUE S | PRING SEASON |
|----------|------------------|----------|--------------|
| DATE     | HOME             | SCORE    | AWAY         |
| April 27 | Forge FC         | 1-1      | York 9 FC    |
| May 4    | HFX Wanderers FC | 2-1      | Forge FC     |
| May 8    | Forge FC         | 3-0      | Pacific FC   |
| May 12   | Forge FC         | 1-2      | Cavalry FC   |
| May 16   | Valour FC        | 0-2      | Forge FC     |
| May 25   | York 9 FC        | 0-2      | Forge FC     |
| May 29   | Forge FC         | 2-0      | FC Edmonton  |
| June 15  | Forge FC         | 2-1      | Valour FC    |
| June 22  | Cavalry FC       | 0-1      | Forge FC     |
| June 26  | FC Edmonton      | 1-0      | Forge FC     |

| CANAL  | DIAN PREMIER I   | LEAGUE F | ALL SEASON       |
|--------|------------------|----------|------------------|
| DATE   | HOME             | SCORE    | AWAY             |
| Jul 6  | Forge FC         | 1-2      | FC Edmonton      |
| Jul 13 | Pacific FC       | 2-3      | Forge FC         |
| Jul 17 | Forge Fc         | 2-0      | HFX Wanderers FC |
| Jul 20 | Forge FC         | 3-1      | Valour FC        |
| Jul 27 | FC Edmonton      | 1-1      | Forge FC         |
| Aug 17 | Valour FC        | 1-3      | Forge FC         |
| Aug 25 | Forge FC         | 1-0      | Cavalry FC       |
| Sep 4  | Pacific FC       | 1-1      | Forge FC         |
| Sep 8  | Forge FC         | 2-1      | York 9 FC        |
| Sep 12 | Valour FC        | 1-3      | Forge FC         |
| Sep 15 | Forge FC         | 2-2      | HFX Wanderers FC |
| Sep 18 | HFX Wanderers FC | 1-1      | Forge FC         |
| Sep 28 | Forge FC         | 3-0      | Pacific FC       |
| Oct 2  | FC Edmonton      | 0-1      | Forge FC         |
| Oct 6  | Forge FC         | 1-0      | York 9 FC        |
| Oct 9  | Cavalry FC       | 2-1      | Forge FC         |
| Oct 12 | York 9 FC        | 4-0      | Forge FC         |
| Oct 16 | Forge FC         | 1-0      | Cavalry FC       |

| FINALS |    |            |       |            |  |  |  |  |
|--------|----|------------|-------|------------|--|--|--|--|
| DA     | TE | HOME       | SCORE | AWAY       |  |  |  |  |
| Oct    | 26 | Forge FC   | 1-0   | Cavalry FC |  |  |  |  |
| Nov    | 2  | Cavalry FC | 0-1   | Forge FC   |  |  |  |  |

| CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIP |            |       |            |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------|------------|-------|------------|--|--|--|--|
| DATE                  | HOME       | SCORE | AWAY       |  |  |  |  |
| Jun 4                 | Forge FC   | 1-1   | Cavalry FC |  |  |  |  |
| Jun 11                | Cavlary FC | 2-1   | Forge FC   |  |  |  |  |

| CONCACAF LEAGUE |             |       |             |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------|-------------|-------|-------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| DATE            | HOME        | SCORE | AWAY        |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aug 1           | Forge FC    | 2-1   | Antigua GFC |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aug 8           | Antigua GFC | 0-0   | Forge FC    |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aug 22          | Forge FC    | 1-0   | Olimpia     |  |  |  |  |  |
| Aug 29          | Olimpia     | 4-1   | Forge FC    |  |  |  |  |  |



### PLAYER STATS (CONTINUED)

| #  | NAME            | POS | NAT     | СОМР                    | APP      | MIN  | G  | A | Y  | 2Y | R | IN | OUT |
|----|-----------------|-----|---------|-------------------------|----------|------|--|---|----|----|---|----|-----|
| 17 | Kadell Thomas   | ATT | CA      | Canadian Premier League | 15       | 541  | 3  | 1 | 4  | 0  | 0 | 10 | 4   |
|    |                 |     |         | Canadian Championship   | 1        | 27   | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0   |
|    |                 |     |         | Concacaf League         | 3        | 40   | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 3  | 0   |
| 19 | Tristan Borges  | ATT | CA      | Canadian Premier League | 27       | 1974 | 13   | 5 | 2  | 0  | 1 | 5  | 7   |
|    |                 |     |         | Canadian Championship   | 2        | 172  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 1   |
|    | 4000000         |     |         | Concacaf League         | 4        | 313  | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 2   |
| 20 | Justin Stoddart | MF  | CA      | Canadian Premier League | 1        | 14   | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0   |
|    |                 |     |         | Canadian Championship   | 0        | 0    | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
|    |                 |     |         | Concacaf League         | 0        | 0    | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
| 21 | Bertrand Owundi | DF  | cm      | Canadian Premier League | 22       | 1757 | 0  | 0 | 4  | 0  | 0 | 3  | 1   |
|    | 5000            |     |         | Canadian Championship   | 2        | 180  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
|    |                 |     |         | Concacaf League         | 2        | 180  | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
| 22 | Montther Mohsen | DF  | CA      | Canadian Premier League | 9        | 362  | 1  | 0 | 2  | 0  | 0 | 5  | 3   |
|    |                 |     |         | Canadian Championship   | 0        | 0    | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
|    |                 |     |         | Concacaf League         | 0        | 0    | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
| 23 | Anthony Novak   | ATT | CA      | Canadian Premier League | 18       | 1113 | 6  | 3 | 4  | 0  | 0 | 4  | 10  |
|    |                 |     |         | Canadian Championship   | 0        | 0    | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0   |
|    |                 |     |         | Concacaf League         | 4        | 274  | 0  | 1 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 1  | 2   |
| 30 | David Edgar     | DF  | CA      | Canadian Premier League | 11       | 834  | 1  | 0 | 1  | 0  | 0 | 2  | 0   |
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|    |                 |     |         | Concacaf League         | 3        | 189  | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  | 0 | 1  | 0   |
| GO | ALKEEPERS       |     |         |                         |          |      |  |   |    |    |   |    |     |
| #  | NAME            | POS | NAT     | СОМР                    | APP      | MIN  | CS   | Υ | Y2 | R  |   |    |     |
| 1  | Triston Henry   | GK  | CA      | Canadian Premier League | 22       | 1980 | 9  | 3 | 0  | 0  |   |    |     |
|    |                 |     |         | Canadian Championship   | 1        | 90   | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  |   |    |     |
|    |                 |     |         | Concacaf League         | 4        | 360  | 2  | 2 | 0  | 0  |   |    |     |
| 18 | Quillan Roberts | GK  | GY      | Canadian Premier League | 8        | 720  | 4  | 0 | 0  | 0  |   |    |     |
|    |                 |     |         | Canadian Championship   | 1        | 90   | 0  | 0 | 0  | 1  |   |    |     |
|    |                 |     |         | Concacaf League         | 0        | 0    | 0  | 0 | 0  | 0  |   |    |     |
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### **HIGHLIGHTS**

TECHNICAL DIRECTOR & HEAD COACH
Bobby Smyrniotis

### TEAM CAPTAIN Kyle Bekker

HOME STADIUM
Tim Hortons Field

### **CPL RESULTS**

Won North Star Shield as CPL Champion

### **CPL AWARDS**

Winners:

PLAYER OF THE YEAR - Triston Borges GOLDEN BOOT - Triston Borges BEST U-21 CANADIAN - Triston Borges Finalists:

PLAYER OF THE YEAR - Kyle Bekker Coach of the Year - Bobby Smyrniotis

CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS
Lost in Second Qualifying Round

### CONCACAF RESULTS Lost in Round of 16







# OFF THE PITCH







### INSPIRATION OF CREST





Like all Hamiltonians, our Club takes great pride in our home, Hamilton.

Our crest was inspired by our home and its people. The monogram 'H' embracing the great City our club proudly represents.

Within the open space of the H, there is a cascading waterfall.

Three sparks burst from the top of the monogram, representing the three foundational elements of Forge FC:

**CITY:** Hamilton, our home.

COMMUNITY: Hamiltonians, our inspiration.
CLUB: Representing Hamilton in the beautiful game.

The left stem of the H is shaped like an F, which merged with the 3 sparks, form the F of Forge FC.

### INSPIRATION OF NAME

Forge FC uniquely represents Hamilton; a name that unites our industrious roots, ambitious future and indelible community spirit.

A City advancing, Hamilton forges forward, a renaissance built on the values that permeate all Hamiltonians: creativity, ambition and grit.

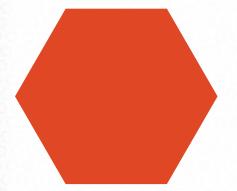
Forge FC also pays respect to our manufacturing heritage and the core values of Hamiltonians forged within the mills.

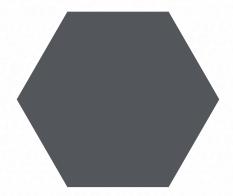


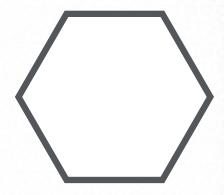


### INSPIRATION OF COLOURS









### SPARK ORANGE

- Inspired by the sparks of that come from the strike of a hammer, Spark Orange represents the energy of entrepreneurs and community builders who are reshaping Hamilton.
- Spark Orange also celebrates the incredible beauty of orange brick homes throughout Hamilton.
- Spark orange also highlights the breathtaking orange sunrises and sunsets over Hamilton and Lake Ontario.

### **PLATINUM STEEL**

 Paying respect to Hamilton's manufacturing industry; Platinum Steel is the second colour of Forge FC's palette.

### WATERFALL WHITE

- Represents Hamilton's beauty; honouring the over 100 waterfalls that dot the Hamilton landscape from the Bruce Trail to the Niagara Escarpment.

### **HAMILTON PROUD**



Forge FC will pay homage to the illustrious history of Hamilton sports and the great teams that have paved the way.

From the 15-time Grey Cup Champion Hamilton Tiger-Cats, to the defending OHL champion Hamilton Bulldogs, to the NHL's Hamilton Tigers of the 1920s. Hamilton teams have proudly worn black and gold.

In honour of Hamilton's birthday (June 9, 1846) and our great sporting culture, Forge FC will pay tribute by donning black and gold kits during their first match in June.





# HISTORICAL KITS







### **2021 FORGE FC KITS**

Staying true to Forge FC's Spark orange and grey colour scheme that fans have grown to love.

Like the sparks from the hammer, a dragon's fire represents the energy that sparks Hamilton's creative force, ambition and hard work to push the community forward, and is the inspiration for Forge's jersey.

A fiery dragon is uniquely embossed on the front and back of the jersey with a callout to Forge FC heat printed below the player number.

The Canadian Premier League 2020 Champions again wore the Gold Champion Patch and kit sponsor Tim Hortons logo in 2021.









### **2020 FORGE FC KITS**

### **AWAY KIT**

Inspired by Hamilton's Gore Park Fountain, Forge FC's jersey is a nod to the city's sense of community and the diverse arts and culture movement.

The city of Hamilton pride is highlighted on the back of the jersey with their iconic vibrant orange incorporated throughout the jersey details.

The Canadian Premier League 2019 Champions wore the Gold Champion Patch in 2020 and the team's jersey sponsor remained Tim Hortons.





### **HOME KIT**

Since the away kit served as the club's primary jersey in the pandemic-shortened season, the home kit was used as an alternate to the away kit at The Island Games.





### FORGE FC INAUGURAL KITS





### **HOME KIT**

Inspired by the Forge FC crest; steel and flame meet in spark orange to celebrate Hamilton's industrious history and the energy of Hamiltonians. The city was built around the steel industry - inside the foundries and mills, with each strike of the hammer, the values that define Hamiltonians were forged: hard work, creativity and ambition. The back features the club's secondary logo; a forge hammer that's handle bares six strips of tape representing the six communities of Hamilton. The hammer is symbolic to the Hamilton story, the tool used to shape the city's original industries, and also represents the ongoing shaping of new industries. The flame from the Forge logo is incorporated throughout the jersey in a tone-ontone repeat pattern.



### AWAY KIT

A resilient community formed, creating a sense of pride in stating: "We're from the Hammer." Paying respect to Hamilton's manufacturing heritage and the core values of Hamiltonians forged within the mills by introducing a fashionable melange on a platinum steel jersey, inspired by the colour of the hammer. Today those same values are championing Hamilton's ongoing renaissance.



### **BLACK AND GOLD KIT**

The Forge FC black and gold kit was formed to pay homage to the illustrious history of Hamilton sports and the great teams that have paved the way for Hamilton's newest professional soccer club. Hamilton teams that have proudly worn black and gold include the 15-time Grey Cup Champion Hamilton Tiger-Cats, the 2018 Ontario Hockey League Champion Hamilton Bulldogs, the Hamilton Steelers of the Canadian Soccer League, the National Hockey League's Hamilton Tigers of the 1920s, and Hamilton's new pro basketball team, the Hamilton Honey Badgers of the Canadian Elite Basketball League. The kit, designed in conjunction with Forge FC's 2019 home and away jerseys, includes Tim Hortons as the title kit partner, the Forge FC sparks in gold, and the club's secondary mark - a forge hammer that's handle bares six strips of tape representing the six communities of Hamilton - embossed on the front of the jersey over the heart/left centre chest. The hammer is symbolic to the Hamilton story; the tool used to shape the city's original industries, and also represents the ongoing shaping of new industries.



### FORGE FC INAUGURAL KITS







# THE STADIUM







### TIM HORTONS FIELD





In the heart of Hamilton, our stadium stands, tall and proud.
The official soccer venue for the 2015 Pan Am Games, Tim
Hortons Field was built specifically for our beautiful game. The
new home of Hamilton's Forge FC, Tim Hortons Field delivers a
world-class live sporting experience.

A symbol of Hamilton's progress, Tim Hortons Field was built on sacred grounds. At Brian Timmis Field and Ivor Wynne Stadium, generations of Hamiltonians have come together to support our

Clubs. Professional Soccer in Hamilton was born on these grounds, in 1961, when the Hamilton Steelers began play in the Eastern Canada Professional Soccer League.

Forge FC supporters can look forward to enjoying the world class amenities Tim Hortons Field delivers including:

- A 360 degree experience, with sightlines to the pitch from all angles. Perfect for the social, out-of-seat viewing experience.
- The largest outdoor bar in Canada The Stipley
- A family playground Stripes Jungle
- Numerous fan experience elements, including: the Coors Banquet Bar, Craft Gardens, Pinty's Pub & Grill and the Coors Light Patio
- Incredible VIP hospitality experiences including 120 yards of Club seating and a state-of-the-art suite level

For 90 minutes and 120 yards, the passion of our City will be on full display at Tim Hortons Field. Forge FC will take the Tim Hortons Field pitch and advance, like the City it represents.

Our City. Your Club. Forge FC.









# CANADIAN PREMIER LEAGUE







### CANADIAN PREMIER LEAGUE

### HOW WE GOT HERE

The time has arrived for Canadian soccer supporters, players, coaches and everyone in the game who've long dreamt for a league to call our own. Our long journey has led us to this point, and we're ready to seize the moment.

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Canadian grit sets us apart and embodies soccer fans across the country.

Working as one for a league to call our own; a league where supporters, players, coaches, clubs are all united by passion for Canada and passion for the game. Coming together to create an authentic league from the ground up, truly for Canadians, by Canadians.

We are also the most diverse country on earth, and that makes us unique. Our story is about the people. We're a group of First Nations, immigrants, languages and cultures. We are driven by our desire to be the very best. Diversity is our strength. We are a Cultural Mosaic.

For far too long, many talented kids have dreamt of playing professional soccer in vain. With nowhere to go, their dreams have been dashed as the road to pro was a dead-end path. In some ways we have out-sourced our path to the professional game to other nations. Not anymore.

Enter the Canadian Premier League, a league for Canadians, by Canadians. Players and supporters from coast to coast will finally have a competition to truly call their own. Our clubs will embody the spirit of the community and country. Players will have a league to develop and showcase their skills in front of loyal and passionate supporters that sing and chant their name. They will also bond and forge relationships with fellow Canadians who share similar experiences.

History will be written, and rivalries will be born. Colours will be flown, and respect will be earned. This will be the main stage for our very best to compete for the right to represent the Maple Leaf. All while elevating the standard of play across all levels of the game and building the player pool for our national teams.

The Canadian Premier League will be the light that guides us to our ultimate goal. Our future is bright.

The Canadian Premier League respects the integrity of the beautiful game. A game that has a storied history and is played by hundreds of millions around the world. Canadians love soccer. It is a passion that has always been there and is growing every day and every year. Whether it is every four years and the passion that gets ignited by the world cup, or the growing relevance of the Canadian Championship, or simply by the fact that so many people play and are associated with the game in Canada.

Soccer has been embraced by communities across our country. This is seen through Canadians playing in neighborhood parks and leagues. Not only enjoying the physical benefits of the game, but the bonds and friendships that will last a long time. In addition to learning about different people's cultures who share the same love for the beautiful game. The power of soccer brings everyone together in support of community, club and country.

Supporter culture is growing exponentially in Canada. From supporters gathering at local pubs, marching to the stadium and unleashing their passion on the terrace through songs, chants and visual displays. Creating an atmosphere that stands out from any sporting events in our country.

Canadians participating in soccer is also unparalleled by other sports, with over one million registered players, coaches and

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volunteers. This has created a fervent desire for a national league. Passion for the game is seen first hand when entire communities come together to celebrate the World Cup, and other foreign competitions. It's time we come together to support Canada.

We exist from coast to coast to give fans and players alike a place to direct their passion for soccer. The CPL, our coast-to coast professional soccer league will be the pathway for players to develop and showcase their skills in front of passionate supporters. The top priority being to increase the national team pool and create competition with the goal of Canada qualifying and competing for the FIFA World Cup. The development of our coaches, referees and administrators is also a top priority, with the intent of elevating the game at all levels. Together creating a solid foundation that will help grow the game and be a force on the world stage.

At the CPL, we believe in a set of principles:

- We're built to help grow the game and supporter culture in Canada.
- We're built by and for supporters. Without fans, there is no clubs and without clubs there is no league.
- We place Canada's interests first. Creating a pathway for our homegrown players to develop and showcase their skills in front of passionate supporters.
- We respect the integrity of the global game. We want to create a league that belongs amongst the best leagues in the world.

Join us on the journey to achieve our vision, with all Canadian supporters rallying together towards our common goal.



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# BROADCASTING







### OFFICIAL MEDIA PARTNERSHIP





Through the Canadian Premier League's "Official Media Partnership" with MEDIAPRO, one of the largest global soccer rights holders and content creators in the world, with 58 offices on four continents, OneSoccer carries live coverage of all Canadian Premier League matches, with a selection of key matches to be simulcast on CBC.

MEDIAPRO is the largest single producer of soccer in the world with some 7,000 matches produced globally every year from more than 15 leagues and other competitions worldwide. It is the long-term international media rights partner for Spain's LaLiga and also has partnerships with FIFA, CONCACAF, CONMEBOL and UEFA among others.

- OneSoccer is a dedicated linear soccer channel currently available as a streaming service. It will feature live coverage of all 98 regular season Canadian Premier League matches as well as the Canadian Premier League Championship.
- In addition to live matches, there will be further live and long-form pre-game, half-time and post-game analysis shows around every match.
- Live daily "Canadian Soccer News" studio broadcasts and reports from daily training sessions from all seven clubs
- OneSoccer is available globally through onesoccer.ca from launch.
- All matches will be produced by MEDIAPRO Canada and aired on OneSoccer.
- Canadian Premier League coverage on OneSoccer will be available worldwide, subject to separate licensing agreements in individual territories
- OneSoccer will be available with a free one month trial for all subscribers.

Further information on the OneSoccer brand and its features are available at onesoccer.ca

