



2022 SEASON



3/26 - 10/15

#NISA2022
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MONTHS

WEEKS

MATCHES

CHAMPION

KICKOFF MARCH 26TH

WHO WE ARE

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OUR STORY



Designed on the back of a napkin on an airplane, NISA has always had a vision to be a home for independent soccer clubs in the United States. NISA is sanctioned to play professionally by the United States Soccer Federation and is currently functioning as the top tier of the Open System in the United States. Whereas Major League Soccer (MLS) and the United Soccer League (USL) are operated by investors in a Closed System model based on rights of a franchisee, NISA clubs are owned and operated by club owners who also own Class A Membership Units in NISA as part of being involved in the league.

Originally envisioned as a mechanism to bring promotion / relegation to the United States soccer landscape, NISA was going to connect the second iteration of the NASL (a league with intent to challenge MLS) with high-functioning amateur teams that housed professional ambitions from the unofficial "fourth divisions" in U.S. Soccer. When the NASL had their sanctioning removed in 2018, NISA became by default the league to carry the hopes forward for America's sizable independent soccer movement.

In August 2018, NISA formally submitted an application to the United States Soccer Federation (USSF) to begin play in Fall 2019. After an exhaustive process was conducted for the league office and all of the clubs, NISA was granted provisional sanctioning in February 2019 and the annual AGM held by U.S. Soccer.

With a management change in May 2019 to the current team, the league office worked to get clubs to take the pitch on the timeline spelled out as part of the provisional sanctioning. On August 31st, 2019, the first official game in NISA took place where the Oakland Roots scored three goals in the first half which was matched by the California United Strikers in the second half. It was an electric match fitting for the league's debut and a sign of things to come.

After a successful Fall season where NISA provided new jobs for nearly 300 players, coaches and front office staff, the U.S. Soccer Federation unanimously approved NISA for full membership in USSF in February 2020 and the league kicked off the Spring 2020 season in a single-table format – which was cut short due to the COVID-19 pandemic. A short, behind-closed-doors fall season culminated in a bubble tournament that saw not a single roster impacted by COVID. The 2021 Spring season kicked-off with a Legends Cup tournament in Chattanooga, followed by a full slate of matches. The top qualifiers from the fall slate and spring slate entered into a playoff in Detroit.

As NISA shifts to a spring-fall format, to better match the contract windows dominant in North America, a single-table, winner-take-all fall season was completed. NISA now moves to a "post-pandemic," spring-fall schedule with 10 clubs ready to take the pitch. By 2023, NISA expects to field 18 clubs.



ACSYRACUSE

ESTUPULSE





ABOUT AC SYRACUSE PULSE

AC Syracuse Pulse is a community based professional soccer team in Syracuse, New York. The team will lace up the boots in their inaugural season to compete in the National Independent Soccer Association in fall 2022. Our mission is to provide the ultimate fan experience at an affordable cost, promoting and enhancing the game of soccer for the fans. AC Syracuse will be the team that soccer fans look to for excitement, engagement and community—and the team that every player wants to play for. We will reflect diversity and inclusiveness and will strive to set the standard of excellence for professional soccer organizations.

AC SYRACUSE ACADEMY

The Club's pyramid includes a youth program that features an academy team, amateur reserve team and a men's and women's professional team in the National Independent Soccer Association. These teams create a system that focuses on player education and development and provides a pathway for players to develop and rise through the pyramid to the professional teams. ACSYRACUSE will work closely with local youth and amateur soccer organizations, talented coaches, knowledgeable trainers, dedicated investors and sponsors, to bring the premiere professional soccer club to the Central New York Community.

COMMUNITY

"AC Syracuse will bring the Friday Night Lights atmosphere to the Central New York Area and restore our city soccer roots. Syracuse has a prominent history as a soccer community. Beginning in the early 1970's, the semi-professional soccer leagues in Syracuse flourished with a world cup atmosphere amongst their ethnic teams. Thousands of people would cheer their teams on in a carnival atmosphere that would capture the imagination of our youth. Kids fell in love with the beautiful game as they emulated their favorite team and player. Some of these kids grew up to become coaches, administrators and professional soccer players. I am very excited to bring a professional soccer team back to Central New York, we haven't had an outdoor professional team since 2004. AC Syracuse believes this is the right time to establish something very special and give players the unique pathway to transcend from the grassroots to the professional level."

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2	D	Ben Watson
3	D	Shaun Russell
4	D	Morian Moussi
5	M	Zachary Reynolds
6	M	Mason Moyers
7	F	Kaleb Jackson
8	M	Evan Waldrep
9	F	Stephen MacDonald
10	F	Minjae Kwak
11	F	Molley Karpeh
12	D	Kyle Nuel
13	M	Micheal Kafari
14	M	Alec McKinley
17	F	Juan Louis
19	F	Alex Satrustegui
21	GK	Arturo Godoy
22	D	Christian Waegelin
27	D	Bruno Rendon
39	M	Jakob Popkin
66	D	Kaio DaSilva

A black and white photograph of a soccer player in motion. The player, a Black man with dreadlocks tied back, is wearing a light-colored jersey with "ALBION" and "capelli" visible, white shorts, and black socks. He is running towards the right. In the background, another player is visible, and the field is grassy with some trees in the distance.

ALBION

SAN DIEGO



ABOUT ALBION

MISSION

The Mission of ALBION SC is to develop successful, well-rounded individuals who exhibit good sportsmanship, ethical and moral behavior, and good citizenship. We aim to leverage the challenges and life lessons of striving for excellence in competitive soccer into molding young people to understand the value of teamwork, sportsmanship and hard work while fostering an environment that allows players to reach their full potential and love for the game.

VISION

Our Vision is to continue to be recognized as one of the best programs in the United States for Development, Advancement, and Placement of elite competitive soccer players. We expect to be the model club and most prestigious brand in youth soccer providing opportunities for players, teams, coaches, and clubs to gain from the success of ALBION SC.

CLUB HISTORY

ALBION SC was formed under the Peninsula Soccer League in 1981. ALBION SC was one of the first competitive clubs in San Diego and the top program in San Diego. In the late 80's early 1990's many competitive clubs in the area started emerging and heavily competing. In 1998 ALBION SC hired Technical Director, Noah Gins to take over and professionalize the club, develop a club-wide curriculum and develop players and teams to play at the highest level in the US. At the time, the club consisted of 6 ALBION SC teams and a large recreational program within PSL.

Looking at the present... The club has 120 plus teams, 800 plus players representing the Albion Junior Program, a full-blown Recreational program and has played in 16 National Championship games and being crowned National Champion in 2019 and 2021, won almost every major event in the US, developed over 34 National Team players, many MLS Player and put hundreds and hundreds of players into college on over 50 million dollars in Soccer Scholarships to date. The club represents some of the best soccer in the country and has one of the most prolific coaching staffs within youth soccer. The club is progressively looking at ways to advance the club and the players and will continue to push to higher levels moving forward. The standards of excellence that the club has set is a bar that only few can achieve in this country. ALBION SC will continue to make history as it paves the way in youth soccer.

STYLE OF PLAY

ALBION SC represents some of the best soccer being played in San Diego and the whole of Southern California. When you talk of the best soccer being played here in San Diego/ Southern California you can also count on that being some of the best soccer being played in the USA. Southern California typically produces the top teams in the country and is a hotbed for talent that leads to the USA National Teams and is an area that most college coaches in the country are attracted too. We take great pride in the style of play here at ALBION SC and the individual development we give to each player. We see our players in each age group technically more advanced than opposing players and as time progresses players and teams begin to dominate in their respected age groups and divisions. Through the years the club has been recognized not only for its incredible teams and players, but for the way in which the teams try to play.

We play a "Brazilian" possession style of soccer building up out of the back. We encourage our teams to take risk by playing negative balls and moving the ball around the defensive third of the field allowing us to control the tempo and dictate the game. We like to build out of the back with an objective to pull opposing teams into our half creating space in the offensive half to attack. We encourage our players to be creative in the offensive half utilizing our technical skill moves to beat our opponents 1 v 1 or identifying numerical advantages and executing the play.

As we build up out of the back our goal is to get in behind the opposing team whether that be with combination play or with the play going into our wide players to create crosses in behind the defense ultimately scoring a goal. Our style of play is very structured and organized on and off the ball and prepares players to understand the roles of each position. We want our players to "let the ball do the work", meaning we want the ball moving 1-2 touch not by dribbling, but by passing not allowing the defensive team to adjust to our team attack. Our main focus is

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5	D	Cristopher Yoel Llorente Fernandez
6	M	Pablo Palaez
7	M	Eder Arreola
8	M	Eduard Enrique Puga
9	F	Alioune Diakhate
11	F	Edward Benito
13	M	Tyler Gabarra
18	M	Lennyn Carreon
19	F	Mayele Malango
20	M	Luisrael Morris
21	D	Daniel Vincente
22	M	Walter Varela
23	M	Jonathan Bazaes
24	GK	Ryan Buckingham
28	D	Khadim Seye
45	D	Harold Hanson
55	M	Ibrahim Conteh
66	D	Michey George

BAY

CITIES FC





ABOUT BAY CITIES

Bay Cities FC is the newest professional football club to make Silicon Valley home, providing entertainment for more than 700,000 soccer fans in the area, including youth and minority communities.

Our club will address the lack of pathways for young student-athletes to envision their future of playing football at a higher level or working in the front office of a professional sports club. By joining NISA, we are ensuring the development of our players and preparing them to play at the next level.



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0	GK	Alan Cruz
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2	D	Malik Shaheed
3	D	David Kinnear
4	D	Daniel Turgeon
5	D	Jacob Penner
6	D	Jacob Goyen
7	F	Marco Silverira
8	D	Christian Dean
9	F	Anthony Orendain
10	F	Edson Cardona
11	M	Adolfo Trujillo
12	M	Carlos Gomez-Zavela
14	M	Ivan Valencia
15	M	Kevin Salto
17	M	Josiah Romero
18	M	Andres Jimenez
19	M	Gabriel Silverira
20	M	Jonathan Partida
21	D	Victor Romero
23	M	Anthony Jimenez
31	D	Mumbi Kwesele
77	F	Rei Dorwart
99	GK	Alonso Lara

CAL UNIFIED STRIKERS FC





ABOUT CAL UNITED

Home of the Dream

California United Strikers FC is a professional men's soccer team in Orange County, CA. We are a founding member of NISA (National Independent Soccer League). With more than half our team born and raised in Orange County, we are locally focused and determined to represent the passionate and informed soccer fans of not only this country but specifically this county.

The club plays at Championship Stadium in Irvine, CA. The stadium holds 5,000 fans and is located in the heart of the Great Park. Its central location in Orange County and immaculate facilities make it the perfect location for Cal United Strikers to call home.

Club owner, Bronwyn Capriotti and her husband Pete, have lived in Orange County for 40+ years. While raising their four kids, they put them in many sports, one of which was soccer. As their children grew, they found themselves enamored with the game of soccer. Pete coached several of their kids' teams and Bronwyn even had a very short stint as a referee. Their youngest son, Duncan, plays for the club. As Duncan progressed in his college soccer life, Bronwyn and Pete became more aware of how many great players fell through the cracks of professional soccer after college. With one year left of eligibility in college, Duncan got a chance to play in England and he and his wife moved there. During his year in England, Bronwyn and Pete visited several times to watch him play and were astounded at the way soccer was treated there. In almost every town they visited there was a stadium, whether large or small, for the local team. They saw the way the townsfolk flocked to the games and formed real bonds around the team and the players. The local boys had a way to follow their dreams and the fans were given what they wanted. When they returned to America, they continued to see a real demand for an outlet for players like Duncan to follow their dreams and pursue professional soccer.

With their passion for the sport, they set out to create a solution to the problem they saw. The first piece of the puzzle was getting a General Manager with extensive contacts and experience in the soccer world. They reached out to Michael Collins who had coached their three boys. Michael has enjoyed an incredibly successful professional soccer career in the various American pro leagues, including the NASL, MISL, NPSL, and USL, in addition to being selected as a US National team member in 1988-1989. This combined with his over twenty years of coaching experience have made him an indispensable part of the club.

Bronwyn, Pete, and Michael worked together tirelessly to make their joint vision come true. After a few trials and tribulations, California United Strikers FC was born. Once they amassed a team of highly skilled and professional level players, they needed to find a like-minded coach who would help to push the team to the next level. After an extensive search, they found Don Ebert.

Don has been the Director of Coaching for Strikers FC Irvine for over 25 years, and now serves as the Technical Director for both the Strikers FC Irvine, the top youth soccer club in the Orange County area. Under his leadership, the club has captured numerous Cal South State Titles, Far West Regional, and National Championships, while developing several high profile USMNT players in Bobby Wood, Benny Feilhaber, Christian Ramirez, Steven Birnbaum, Jonathan Bornstein, and many more!

His experience, passion, and soccer mentality make him a perfect fit for Cal United Strikers. With his help, we will not only give players a platform to be seen and follow their dreams, but also provide our fans with exciting quality soccer to watch.

#HomeOfTheDream

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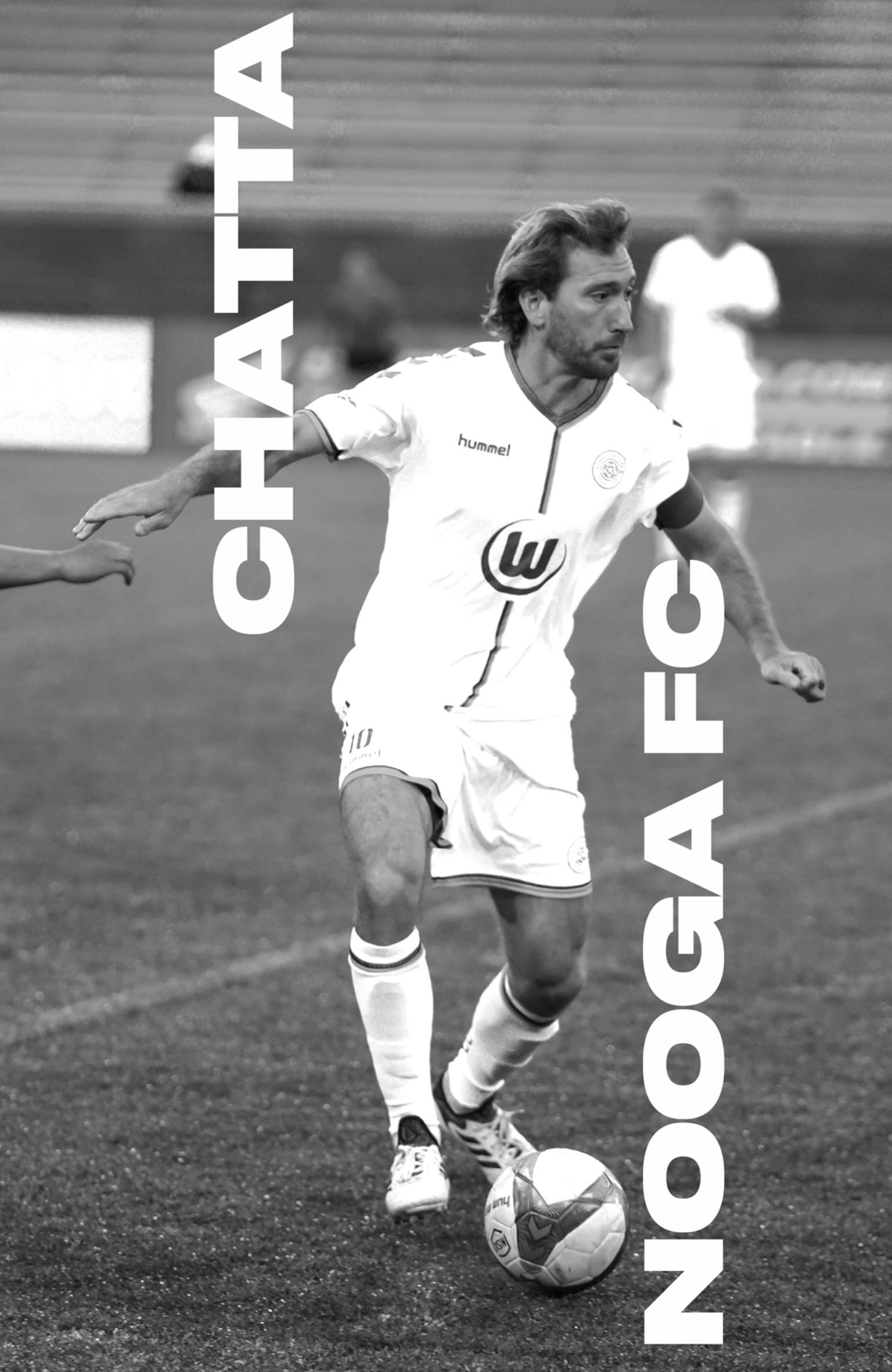
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3	D	Aydan Bowers
4	D	Garrett Hogbin
5	D	Xavier Fuerte
6	M	Duncan Capriotti
7	M	Luis Garcia Sosa
8	F	Anthony Lopez
9	F	Omar Nuño
10	M	Gustavo Villalobos
11	F	Shane Kaemerle
12	D	Marc Bermudez
13	M	Felipe Liborio Jr.
14	F	Andy Contreras
15	F	Alex Vedamanikam
16	F	Christian Thierjung
17	D	Brady Treinen
18	M	Leonel Alvarenga
19	M	Kurtz Bay
20	F	Caleb Suh
21	M	Francis Jacobs
22	D	Kevin Garcia-Lopez
23	F	Shinya Kadono
24	D	Joseph Perez
25	M	Guilherme Farias
29	F	Marcus Lee
30	F	Bryan Medina
33	GK	Jean Antoine

CHATTTA



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ABOUT CHATTANOOGA

Always Forward

Founded in 2009, Chattanooga Football Club strives to build community through the world's game. Our mission is to use soccer as a tool to build strong relationships – across age, race, creed and socio-economic status – for the greater good of our city.

Worldwide, soccer builds community, shapes culture, develops talent and unites diverse peoples. Chattanooga Football Club is helping the same happen right here in Chattanooga, creating true opportunity for all players and great entertainment for all fans. Chattanooga FC does this through its premier Men's team, its youth training programs of the Chattanooga FC Camps, the select teams of Chattanooga FC Academy, the CFL adult leagues, and through the Chattanooga FC Foundation and its charitable programs Chattanooga Sports Ministries and Operation Get Active.

In 2019 Chattanooga FC became an official certified Benefit Corporation and launched the first ever fan ownership campaign in US soccer history, with 3,295 fans around the world becoming owners in the club.

In March 2021 Chattanooga FC began airing a 6-part documentary series: No Matter What- The Rise of Chattanooga FC. Produced by local production company SuperChief, the documentary covers the club's first professional season. Viewers get an exclusive behind the scenes look at the team as they go through tryouts, the start of the season, a global pandemic, and the team's return to play, culminating with a deep run into the 2020 NISA fall playoffs.

#AlwaysForward

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2	M	Tate Robertson
3	D	Greg Stratton
4	D	Richard Dixon
5	D	Franky Martinez
6	D	Nick Spielman
7	M	Ian Cerro
8	M	Colin Stripling
9	F	Luke Ferreira
10	M	Juan Hernandez
11	D	Travis Ward
12	M	Ethan Koren
13	D	Giuseppe Gereau
19	F	Roddy Green
20	F	Brett Jones
22	F	Taylor Gray
23	GK	Nick Nelson
25	GK	Kevin Gonzales
28	M	Damian Rodriguez
30	M	Alex Hernandez
33	M	Alex McGrath

FLOWER CITY



UNION



ABOUT FLOWER CITY UNION

We are a professional soccer club committed to positively impacting the City of Rochester and its surrounding communities by fielding a competitive, championship-caliber team while supporting the development of youth soccer locally.

Passion and inclusion are our North Star, guiding how we live, how we act, how we play, how we serve. Rather than being a sport business operating in Rochester, we are a Flower City business operating in sport. As such, we acknowledge our responsibility in nurturing social and economic connections through inclusive business practices.

We actively embrace diversity and aim to reflect the faces and voices of our region.



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3	M	Alex Ainscough
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5	D	Nikkye Kidd De Point
6	D	Andrea Pregoni
7	F	Jay Lee
8	M	Jordan Saling
9	F	Arion Sobers-Assue
10	M	Giancarlo Canas
11	D	Jose Sierra
12	D	Colin Muller
13	GK	Steven Ortiz
14	M	Quinton Carey
15	D	Robert Williamson
17	M	Hunter Kassel
18	GK	Maykell Ortega
19	M	Suniel Veerakone
22	D	Mitchell Brickman
23	M	Lukas Fernandes
24	D	Marcus Micheletti
30	M	Jordan Sullivan
42	F	Andre Deas Jr.
82	M	Ryan Curtis
88	M	Auston Kranick



LOS ANGELES

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ABOUT LA FORCE

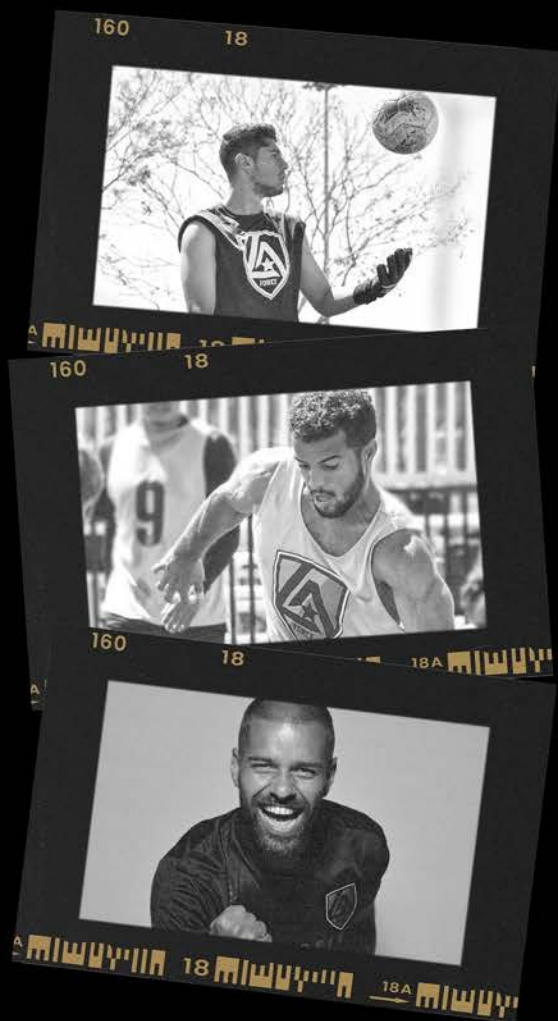
We Are the Force

As the Los Angeles Force professional club was founded in 2019, the LA Force is one of the premier player development programs in North America.

Over the past three years, Los Angeles Force has created a track record and reputation of path to pro transition and success. The Los Angeles Forces system combines professional level training, fitness, nutrition and an advanced soccer philosophy with the top collegiate and amateur players in the nation to create an environment rich with development and success for the top-level professional club.

#WeAreTheForce

#	POS	NAME
1	GK	Brandon Gomez
2	D	Kavian Kashani
3	D	Alexander Ramos
4	D	Seamus McLaughlin
5	M	Daniel Amo
6	D	Erick Villatoro
7	M	Abraham Villon
8	M	Cyro Oliveira
10	F	Samuel Goni
12	GK	Kifikalani Cabrera
13	D	Juan Pablo Ocegueda
14	M	Carlos Sanchis
15	D	Sean Reynolds
17	F	Moja Hale
19	F	Jaime Gutierrez
22	M	Eder Guerrero
24	M	Kyle O'Brien
27	M	Edson Alvarado
37	D	Jonick Pineda
77	M	Eduardo De Faria
88	M	Harry Forrester
94	D	Alex Culwell
99	M	Jonathan Garcia
	F	Jose Villareal





MARYLAND

BOBCATS FC



ABOUT MARYLAND BOBCATS

For All

The Maryland Bobcats Football Club was founded in 2009. Based in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties in Maryland, it is a fully minority-owned club with a majority minority roster. Maryland Bobcats FC has a "one family" mentality. From the youngest player to the most experienced, youth teams to First Team, players support, push and encourage each other to play the right way. Beyond soccer, Maryland Bobcats FC helps, inspires, gives back and supports the local community that supports, comes to games, and cheers them on. The club strives to give players, coaches, and staff opportunities that they wouldn't get somewhere else but rightfully deserve.

#ForAll



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3	F	Samuel Solomon
4	D	Noah Wright
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7	M	Bryan Argueta
8	M	Josselin Possian
9	F	Joeseeph Boone
10	F	Kay Banjo
11	M	Bernardo Majano
12	GK	Felix Annan
14	M	Alejandro Arbelaez
15	D	Richard Forka
16	D	David Mason
17	F	Elijah Amo
18	M	Jorge Quintanilla
19	D	Yaya Fane
20	M	Drew Wivell
21	D	Christian Schneider
22	M	Alex Kao
23	M	Darwin Espinal
24	M	Andy Alvarado
25	D	Brandon Clegg
27	GK	John Hollinger
28	M	Phillip Brown
30	GK	Christian Caulker
32	M	Manuel Gonzalez
33	M	Michael Akinkoye
94	D	Trey Cooper

MICHIGAN



STARS FC



ABOUT MICHIGAN STARS

Michigan's Professional Soccer Team

The Michigan Stars Football Club (MSFC) is a history rich soccer club that has enhanced the lives of both youth and adults through sport. MSFC was created from a vision to bring top-notch, high-quality soccer to local communities. In working towards this goal, MSFC continues to instill the importance of teamwork to its members and fans alike as the platform from which MSFC effectively grows its community involvement, business partnerships and fan base to create a thriving, family friendly entertainment hub in Metro-Detroit.

The Michigan Stars FC is a professional soccer team currently participating in NISA (National Independent Soccer Association). The National Independent Soccer Association is a professional men's soccer league in the United States. The league is in the third tier of American soccer and began play in 2019. Michigan Stars Sports Center is an 80-acre soccer complex that contains 23 outdoor fields as well as an 118,000 sq. ft. indoor facility containing one full size 11v11 field.

The vision of Michigan Stars FC owner George Juncaj added a men's u23 development team, a women's pro-am team, indoor/outdoor facilities, and now the addition of a youth soccer club. The Michigan Lightning (Rochester Soccer Club) and Michigan Revolution, with their combined 3,000 soccer players in all soccer programming, have partnered with the Michigan Stars. The two clubs involved will rebrand their teams as Michigan Stars Lightning and Michigan Stars Revolution with the two clubs combining their highest level players forming Michigan Stars Elite. The partnership will begin fall of 2021. Tryouts for the new Michigan Stars Elite will take place on June 12-13, 2021, at the Michigan Stars Sports Center (formerly Total Sports Park) in Washington Township, Michigan. While speaking about the youth partnership, George Juncaj stated "We started meeting in June with local soccer clubs and I am excited for the partnership that we have formed with the new Michigan Stars Elite. It's exciting for youth players and coaches to have direct access to the professional players and staff and then having the ability to watch them compete during games. I want to create an opportunity for a six-year-old to dream and have a goal of playing professional soccer with the Michigan Stars."

We are looking forward to working with youth players from Michigan and develop their game so they can make the professional team.

The Michigan Stars FC pro-am women's team will begin to play in United Women's Soccer for the Summer of 2021. The team will primarily consist of college athletes nationwide with an emphasis placed on players from Michigan. Future plans will also include players from our newly formed youth club creating a competitive pathway from youth to adult.

The Michigan Stars FC U23 development team will begin to play in the Midwest Premier League in the Spring of 2021. The goal of the U23 team is to work with youth, college, and other young players to learn and develop under the tutelage and guidance of the Michigan Stars. The U23 team will have an opportunity to practice with the professional team and advance to the professional team when skills mature. Soccer players from a newly formed Michigan Stars youth club will be encouraged to try out for the development team.

Michigan Stars Stadium is currently under construction.

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2	D	Harry Nevis
3	D	Edi Mujan
4	D	Robert Juncaj
5	D	Jonathan Firmino
7	M	Steven Juncaj
8	M	Cyrus Tran
9	F	Leon Maric
10	D	Oluremi Williams
11	D	James Ding
12	GK	Jacob Campbell
13	D	Iakov Shmelev
14	M	Nemanja Gvozdic
15	D	Andres Chalbaud
16	GK	Tatenda Mkuruva
17	D	Noah Cavanaugh
18	D	Michael Turner
19	D	David Luezaj
21	D	Grant Michaels
22	M	Elias McCloud
23	D	Matthew Constant
27	D	Anthony Bowie

VALLEY



OF UNITED



ABOUT VALLEY UNITED

Valley United FC is a professional soccer club located in suburban Phoenix that will start professional play in the National Independent Soccer Association 2022 season. The club was accepted as a member of NISA on September 16, 2021, and is NISA's first LatinX-owned and Native American owned club.

For more information, visit ValleyUnitedFC.com, and follow Valley United on Instagram, Facebook, Twitter and Linked at @ValleyUnitedAZ.

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 Natural Grass

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Roster:

#	POS	NAME
0	GK	Jose Cortez
1	GK	Sam Howard
2	D	Luis Murillo
3	D	Gustavo Vargas
4	D	Samuel Caceres
5	MF	Nicholas Gaitan
6	MF	Daniel Ekedu
7	F	Ricardo Gordillo
8	MF	Luis Gil
9	MF	Alex Tejera
10	MF	Sebastian Contreras
11	F	Mustafa Troncoso
12	D	David Diosa
13	GK	Javi Olmedo
14	F	Jeffrey Otoo
15	MF	Gylles Mitchel
16	D	Kyle Nelson
18	D	Robin Lafarge
20	F	Luis Mantell
21	F	Matias Roskopf
22	F	Ricardo Velasco
23	MF	Stephen Elias
24	MF	Facundo Canete
27	D	Daniel Lainez
28	MF	Nate Monsato
30	F	Robby Jacobs
42	D	David Koloko
99	F	Ty Meagherz





NISA NATION

NISA Nation is a full-year league providing amateur independent clubs a groundbreaking path to professional status. NISA Nation bridges success on the amateur affiliate level – including Eastern Premier Soccer League, SoCal Premier League, Gulf Coast Premier League, Midwest Premier League, and Mountain Premier League – to a spot on the NISA professional level.

Activated in Fall 2021, it strives to maintain the highest standards of any amateur league, requiring the same level of professionalism within the front office and on the pitch expected of NISA PRO clubs. Keeping the spirit of independence, particular requirements and competition format will be determined with direct input of the participating clubs.

NISA Nation officially took to the pitch with 10 clubs in two regions (the Northeast & Southwest). In the Spring, the league will see growth to more than 25 clubs across four regions, adding the Pacific and the Florida regions.

NISA Nation recently earned provisional national league status from the United States Adult Soccer Association (USASA). Following the completion of the 2022 season, approval for full national league designation will go before the full USASA council in September. NISA Nation also includes NISA Network, the home for all things NISA, independent clubs, and the open system.

Learn more about NISA Nation at NISASoccer.com/NISA-Nation or follow on Twitter @TheNISANation and on Instagram @NISANationSoccer.

AMATEUR AFFILIATIONS

**Eastern Premier Soccer League
Gulf Coast Premier League
Midwest Premier League
Mountain Premier League
Pioneer Premier League
SoCal Premier League**



NISA INDEPENDENT CUP

The National Independent Soccer Association's Independent Cup is the largest independent club soccer tournament in the United States. The competition, introduced in 2020 as a regionalized competition, provides independent professional and amateur clubs a platform to play together on a national stage. The inaugural tournament featured 15 clubs in four regions.

Set for July and August, the 2022 edition will feature xx clubs across xx regions, including 12 NISA pro clubs. At least one club from eight different amateur leagues, also will participate. Many of those teams come from amateur leagues that have forged affiliations with NISA in the past couple of years. Each of the nine regional competitions will crown a champion. The 2021 edition featured 35 clubs in nine regions.

All clubs participating adhere to NISA's Return to Play Protocol created and established with top medical professionals and in accordance with the CDC guidelines to ensure the health and safety of all clubs' players, staffs and personnel. Regional competition also adhere to state and local governance in place at the time of regional competition.

Full details on the NISA Independent Cup schedule will be announced in the spring. More can be found at <https://nisasoccer.com/indcup>.

2020 REGIONAL CHAMPIONS

Central Plains
Lone Star Republic (Dallas)

Great Lakes
Detroit City FC

Mid-Atlantic
Maryland Bobcats FC

Southeast
Chattanooga FC



2021 REGIONAL CHAMPIONS

Great Lakes
Detroit City FC

Mid-Atlantic
Maryland Bobcats FC

Midwest
FC Milwaukee Torrent

New England
Lansdowne Yonkers FC

Pacific
PDX FC

South Central
Louisiana Krewe FC

Southeast
Chattanooga FC

Southwest
California United Strikers

West Coast
Los Angeles Force

2022 SCHEDULE

The 10 clubs will play an unbalanced schedule over East and West conferences. There will NOT be conference championship matches. The conferences are:

WEST

ALBION San Diego
Bay Cities FC
California United Strikers FC
Los Angeles Force
Valley United FC

EAST

AC Syracuse Pulse
Chattanooga FC
Flower City Union
Maryland Bobcats FC
Michigan Stars FC

*2022 SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGES

Week 1	Week 7	Week 12	Week 17	Week 22	Week 26
Saturday 3/26	Wednesday 5/4	Wednesday 6/8	Saturday 7/16	Wednesday 8/31	Wednesday 9/28
Chattanooga FC v. Maryland Bobcats FC	Flower City Union v. Cal United Strikers FC	Valley United FC v. Michigan Stars FC	Flower City Union v. Chattanooga FC	Chattanooga FC v. Valley United FC	Chattanooga FC v. ALBION San Diego
Flower City Union v. AC Syracuse Pulse	Saturday 5/7	Friday 6/10	Los Angeles Force v. Valley United FC	Los Angeles Force v. Flower City Union	Cal United Strikers FC v. AC Syracuse Pulse
Cal United Strikers FC v. Valley United FC	Maryland Bobcats FC v. Chattanooga FC	ALBION San Diego v. Cal United Strikers FC	Sunday 7/17	Saturday 9/3	Saturday 10/1
Los Angeles Force v. Bay Cities FC	Los Angeles Force v. Bay Cities FC	Saturday 6/11	AC Syracuse Pulse v. Michigan Stars FC	Valley United FC v. Flower City Union	Maryland Bobcats FC v. ALBION San Diego
Week 2	Sunday 5/8	Michigan Stars FC v. Flower City Union	Week 18	Los Angeles Force v. ALBION San Diego	Bay Cities FC v. Los Angeles Force
Saturday 4/2	AC Syracuse Pulse v. Flower City Union	Chattanooga FC v. AC Syracuse Pulse	Wednesday 8/3	Sunday 9/4	Sunday 10/2
Maryland Bobcats FC v. Flower City Union	Cal United Strikers FC v. Valley United FC	Los Angeles Force v. Valley United FC	Maryland Bobcats FC v. Cal United Strikers FC	AC Syracuse Pulse v. Bay Cities FC	AC Syracuse Pulse v. Michigan Stars FC
Valley United FC v. ALBION San Diego	Week 8	Week 13	ALBION San Diego v. AC Syracuse Pulse	Cal United Strikers FC v. Chattanooga FC	Week 27
Cal United Strikers FC v. Bay Cities FC	Friday 5/13	Wednesday 6/15	Saturday 8/6	Week 23	Wednesday 10/5
Sunday 4/3	ALBION San Diego v. Los Angeles Force	Flower City Union v. Los Angeles Force	Michigan Stars FC v. Cal United Strikers FC	Wednesday 9/7	Michigan Stars FC v. ALBION San Diego
AC Syracuse Pulse v. Chattanooga FC	Saturday 5/14	AC Syracuse Pulse v. ALBION San Diego	Chattanooga FC v. Maryland Bobcats FC	Flower City Union v. Bay Cities FC	Cal United Strikers FC v. Maryland Bobcats FC
Week 3	Flower City Union v. Maryland Bobcats FC	Saturday 6/18	Los Angeles Force v. AC Syracuse Pulse	Michigan Stars FC v. Los Angeles Force	Saturday 10/8
Saturday 4/9	Saturday 5/14	Flower City Union v. ALBION San Diego	Week 19	ALBION San Diego v. Chattanooga FC	ALBION San Diego v. Cal United Strikers FC
Flower City Union v. Michigan Stars FC	Michigan Stars FC v. AC Syracuse Pulse	Michigan Stars FC v. Maryland Bobcats FC	Wednesday 8/10	Friday 9/9	Los Angeles Force v. Maryland Bobcats FC
Maryland Bobcats FC v. AC Syracuse Pulse	Saturday 5/14	Valley United FC v. Cal United Strikers FC	Chattanooga FC v. Cal United Strikers FC	Valley United FC v. Cal United Strikers FC	Week 28
Bay Cities FC v. Valley United FC	Bay Cities FC v. Cal United Strikers FC	Bay Cities FC v. Chattanooga FC	Bay Cities FC v. AC Syracuse Pulse	Saturday 9/10	Monday 10/10
Sunday 4/10	Week 9	Sunday 6/19	Saturday 8/13	Chattanooga FC v. Los Angeles Force	Flower City Union v. Michigan Stars FC
ALBION San Diego v. Los Angeles Force	Saturday 5/21	AC Syracuse Pulse v. Los Angeles Force	Maryland Bobcats FC v. Flower City Union	ALBION San Diego v. Michigan Stars FC	Wednesday 10/12
Week 4	Flower City Union v. Chattanooga FC	Week 14	Valley United FC v. Bay Cities FC	Sunday 9/11	Valley United FC v. Maryland Bobcats FC
Friday 4/15	Valley United FC v. ALBION San Diego	Wednesday 6/22	Sunday 8/14	AC Syracuse Pulse v. Maryland Bobcats FC	Saturday 10/15
Valley United FC v. Chattanooga FC	Week 10	Los Angeles Force v. Chattanooga FC	AC Syracuse Pulse v. Chattanooga FC	Week 24	Maryland Bobcats FC v. AC Syracuse Pulse
Saturday 4/16	Wednesday 5/25	Friday 6/24	Week 20	Wednesday 9/14	Michigan Stars FC v. Chattanooga FC
Los Angeles Force v. Cal United Strikers FC	Michigan Stars FC v. Bay Cities FC	ALBION San Diego v. Valley United FC	Wednesday 8/17	Maryland Bobcats FC v. Los Angeles Force	Bay Cities FC v. ALBION San Diego
Sunday 4/17	Saturday 5/28	Saturday 6/25	ALBION San Diego v. Maryland Bobcats FC	Bay Cities FC v. Michigan Stars FC	Cal United Strikers FC v. Los Angeles Force
AC Syracuse Pulse v. Flower City Union	Chattanooga FC v. Bay Cities FC	Chattanooga FC v. Michigan Stars FC	Saturday 8/20	Saturday 9/17	
Week 5	Cal United Strikers FC v. Flower City Union	Sunday 6/26	Flower City Union v. AC Syracuse Pulse	Michigan Stars FC v. Chattanooga FC	
Saturday 4/23	Week 11	Cal United Strikers FC v. Los Angeles Force	Chattanooga FC v. Michigan Stars FC	Bay Cities FC v. Valley United FC	
Flower City Union v. Maryland Bobcats FC	Wednesday 6/1	Week 15	Cal United Strikers FC v. ALBION San Diego	Cal United Strikers FC v. ALBION San Diego	
Michigan Stars FC v. AC Syracuse Pulse	AC Syracuse Pulse v. Valley United FC	Friday 7/1	Valley United FC v. Los Angeles Force	Week 25	
ALBION San Diego v. Valley United FC	Bay Cities FC v. Flower City Union	Valley United FC v. Bay Cities FC	Bay Cities FC v. Maryland Bobcats FC	Saturday 9/24	
Cal United Strikers FC v. Bay Cities FC	Los Angeles Force v. Michigan Stars FC	Saturday 7/2	Week 21	Michigan Stars FC v. Maryland Bobcats FC	
Week 6	Saturday 6/4	Michigan Stars FC v. Flower City Union	Wednesday 8/24	Chattanooga FC v. Flower City Union	
Saturday 4/30	Flower City Union v. Valley United FC	Chattanooga FC v. AC Syracuse Pulse	Maryland Bobcats FC v. Valley United FC	ALBION San Diego v. Bay Cities FC	
Maryland Bobcats FC v. Michigan Stars FC	AC Syracuse Pulse v. Maryland Bobcats FC	Los Angeles Force v. ALBION San Diego	Saturday 8/27	Valley United FC v. AC Syracuse Pulse	
Chattanooga FC v. Flower City Union	ALBION San Diego v. Bay Cities FC	Week 16	Maryland Bobcats FC v. Chattanooga FC	Los Angeles Force v. Cal United Strikers FC	
Valley United FC v. Los Angeles Force	Sunday 6/5	Saturday 7/9	Michigan Stars FC v. Valley United FC		
Bay Cities FC v. ALBION San Diego	Cal United Strikers FC v. Michigan Stars FC	Maryland Bobcats FC v. Michigan Stars FC	ALBION San Diego v. Flower City Union		
Sunday 5/1		Bay Cities FC v. Los Angeles Force	Bay Cities FC v. Cal United Strikers FC		
AC Syracuse Pulse v. Cal United Strikers FC					

The playoffs will seed the top three clubs from each into a conference-agnostic bracket based on points. The two clubs at the top of each conference earn a first-round bye, second-place clubs earn seed Nos. 3 and 4, and the third-place clubs earn seeds Nos. 5 and 6.

October 22 - Opening Round
October 29 - Semi-Finals
November 5 - Final

2021 FALL RECAP



P	TEAM	GP	W	D	L	H (W-D-L)	A (W-D-L)	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	DETROIT CITY FC	18	14	3	1	7-1-1	7-2-0	35	10	25	45
2	CAL UNITED STRIKERS FC	18	9	6	3	4-4-1	5-2-2	31	20	11	33
3	LA FORGE	18	7	9	2	3-6-0	4-3-2	20	14	6	30
4	NEW AMSTERDAM FC	18	7	2	9	3-1-5	4-1-4	29	29	0	23
5	CHATTANOOGA FC	18	7	2	9	5-1-3	2-1-6	20	21	-1	23
6	CHICAGO HOUSE AC	18	7	2	9	4-1-4	3-1-5	18	26	-8	23
7	MICHIGAN STARS FC	18	5	6	7	2-3-4	3-3-3	24	24	0	21
8	STUMPTOWN AC	18	4	8	6	2-3-4	2-5-2	13	18	-5	20
9	MARYLAND BOBCATS FC	18	5	5	8	3-2-4	2-3-4	20	28	-8	20
10	SAN DIEGO 1904 FC	18	2	3	13	2-1-6	0-2-7	17	37	-20	9

TOP10 GOALSCORERS

OMAR NUÑO
CAL UNITED STRIKERS FC
12 GLS | 26 SHOTS

TOP10 ASSISTS

STEVEN JUNCAJ
MICHIGAN STARS FC
6 ASSISTS

TOP10 MINUTES

KEVIN GONZALEZ
STUMPTOWN AC
1697 MINUTES

POS	PLAYER	TEAM	GOALS	SHOTS	POS	PLAYER	TEAM	ASSISTS	POS	PLAYER	TEAM	MINS
FW	MALANGO, MAYELE	NAFC	9	24	DF	HUFFMAN, DEREK	CHAC	5	DF	AMOO-MENSAH, DEVON	MSFC	1620
FW	WOJCIK, WOJCIECH	CHAC	8	20	DF	KASAK, JAMES	CFC	4	DF	HOGBIN, GARRETT	CUSFC	1620
MF	RODRIGUEZ, MAXIMILIANO	DCFC	7	14	MF	CONNER, ANDREW	CHAC	3	GK	MKURUVA, TATENDA	MSFC	1620
FW	BANJO, OLAKUNLE	MBFC	6	14	FW	JOHN-BROWN, SHAVON	NAFC	3	DF	NEMBARD, DESHAWON	SAC	1620
DF	CHANEY, CHRISTIAN	LAF	6	25	MF	LIBORIO JR., FELIPE	CUSFC	3	DF	SPIELMAN, NICK	CFC	1620
FW	KARPEH JR., MOLLEY	MBFC	6	9	FW	MEDINA, BRYAN	CUSFC	3	DF	WILLIAMS, RHYS	SAC	1620
FW	JOHN-BROWN, SHAVON	NAFC	5	12	MF	PATO, PILAWE	MBFC	3	DF	BOWIE, ANTHONY	CHAC	1619
FW	MARIC, LEON	MSFC	5	7	FW	THIERJUNG, CHRISTIAN	CUSFC	3	DF	WARD, TRAVIS	SAC	1605
FW	NUEL, KYLE	MSFC	5	11	DF	VENEGAS, KEVIN	DCFC	3	FW	MARIC, LEON	MSFC	1593

CHAMPIONS
DETROIT CITY FC
★★★