



HARTFORD ATHLETIC GAME NOTES

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GAME INFORMATION

HARTFORD ATHLETIC 0-5-1 (14th in Eastern Conference) vs.
INDY ELEVEN 3-2-2 (5th in Eastern Conference)

Saturday, April 30th, 2022 - 7:00 PM ET
IU Michael A. Carroll Track & Soccer Stadium,
Indianapolis, Indiana
Local TV: WCTX MyTV9
Streaming: ESPN+ or hartfordathletic.com/watch
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INJURY REPORT:

HARTFORD ATHLETIC:
JUAN CARLOS OBREGON JR. -OUT (KNEE)
PRINCE SAYDEE - OUT (HAMSTRING)

2022 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	RESULT
March 19	@PITTSBURGH RIVERHOUNDS	7:00 PM	L 2-1
March 26	@TAMPA BAY ROWDIES	7:30 PM	T 1-1
April 2	ATLANTA UNITED 2	7:00 PM	L 2-1
April 7	OYSTER BAY UNITED FC*	7:00 PM	W 3-1
April 10	@BIRMINGHAM LEGION	5:00 PM	L 2-1
April 16	@MIAMI FC	7:00 PM	L 2-0
April 20	NEW YORK RED BULLS*	7:00 PM	L 2-1
April 23	DETROIT CITY FC	7:00 PM	L 2-1
April 30	@INDY ELEVEN	7:00 PM	
May 07	LOUDDON UNITED	7:00 PM	
May 14	NEW YORK RED BULLS II	7:00 PM	
May 21	@FC TULSA	8:30 PM	
May 28	PHOENIX RISING	7:00 PM	
June 04	@EL PASO LOCOMOTIVE FC	9:30 PM	
June 11	@SAN DIEGO LOYAL	10:00 PM	
June 15	MEMPHIS 901 FC	7:00 PM	
June 18	@ATLANTA UNITED 2	7:30 PM	
June 25	LOUISVILLE CITY	1:00 PM	
June 28	COLORADO SWITCHBACKS FC	7:00 PM	
July 06	@DETROIT CITY FC	7:30 PM	
July 09	TAMPA BAY ROWDIES	7:00 PM	
July 16	@CHARLESTON BATTERY	7:30 PM	
July 23	PITTSBURGH RIVERHOUNDS	7:00 PM	
July 27	@RIO GRANDE VALLEY TOROS	8:30 PM	
July 30	BIRMINGHAM LEGION	7:00 PM	
August 06	@MEMPHIS	8:30 PM	
August 13	INDY ELEVEN	7:00 PM	
August 20	MIAMI FC	7:00 PM	
August 31	@NEW YORK RED BULLS II	7:00 PM	
September 05	@LAS ANGELES GALAXY II	10:30 PM	
September 10	FC TULSA	7:00 PM	
September 17	LAS LEVAGS LIGHTS	7:00 PM	
September 21	@LOUDDON UNITED	7:00 PM	
October 1	CHARLESTON BATTERY	7:00 PM	
October 8	OAKLAND ROOTS	7:00 PM	
October 15	@LOUISVILLE CITY	7:30 PM	



HEAD COACH HARRY WATLING

On January 13th, 2021, Harry Watling was named the third Head Coach in Hartford Athletic's history and he is back for the 2022 season. At 31-years-old, Watling is the youngest Head Coach in the USL Championship. He is UEFA A and B licensed, earning his B license at age 18 and A license at 26, one of the youngest coaches in England to have such licenses. Prior to his time at West Ham, Watling spent four years working in the Academy system at Millwall FC. He also spent five years at Chelsea FC where he worked under managers such as Jose Mourinho and Carlo Ancelotti. During his career he has coached players such as Declan Rice, Jack Wilshere, Callum Hudson Odoi, and many others. In 2021 and his first season with Hartford Athletic, Watling lead the club to a record 12 wins.



ASSISTANT COACH JAKE DAVIS

Jake Davis is the First Team Assistant Coach and Goalkeepers Coach for the 2022 season. He spent three months on the Hartford staff as a part-time assistant in 2021.

Davis spent the past three seasons working as the Goalkeeper Coach for the University of Virginia Women's soccer program. During the 2019 season, Virginia was ranked number one in the nation for eight consecutive weeks. In 2020, the Cavaliers posted four straight shutouts in the NCAA Tournament on a run to the national semifinal. Last fall, the Cavaliers recorded 13 clean sheets and allowed just 13 goals in 23 games, winning the ACC Regular Season Championship.

LAST TIME OUT:

Hartford Athletic are coming off a 2-1 loss to Detroit City FC last Saturday at Trinity Health Stadium. For the second time this season, it was a late goal off of a corner kick that downed the Green and Blue. Hartford got out to a 1-0 lead after Rashawn Dally scored his first goal of the season in the 42nd minute, with Prince Saydee recording his third assist. They looked to be in control in the second half, until Deklan Wynne played a ball that deflected off Younes Boudadi and spun over the goal line, leveling the match at one. Hartford generated several chances in their attempt to gain back the lead, including a shot off the crossbar from Luka Prpa in the 81st minute. In stoppage time, Detroit was given a corner kick that delivered the dagger to Hartford. The ball was lobbed in, headed off the post, and Stephen Carroll flicked in the rebound to provide the game winner for the visiting side.

FOOT ON THE GAS

Hartford Athletic got out to a 1-0 lead for just the second time in league play against Detroit last week, which was a massive boost to a home side that had been playing from behind in almost every game so far. However, Hartford has given up two goals in every league match this season and have been unable to find two of their own. The Green and Blue had opportunities to go up 2-0 against Detroit, but fell short, keeping the door open for a fortuitous goal to be an equalizer instead of a goal that Hartford could manage to concede and still win the game. Keeping their foot on the gas and taking advantage of opportunities to extend a lead against Indy will be key for Hartford on Saturday.

UNFORGIVING WOODWORK

In Hartford's last three matches, they've struck a post or crossbar with shots that, had they gone in, could have earned the club at least a point or an extra period of play in the Open Cup. Ash Apollon hit the post from about 30 yards out against Miami FC, Younes Boudadi did the same against the Red Bulls in the Open Cup, and Luka Prpa hit the crossbar against Detroit in the game's final minutes last week.

ABOUT THE OPPONENT:

After an 0-2 start to the season, Indy Eleven have turned their play around significantly. They are in the midst of a three-game winning streak and a five-game unbeaten streak. They're coming off a 3-1 win over Orange County with goals from Noah Powder, Stefano Pinho, and Aris Briggs. Pinho leads the team offensively with four goals, and Nicky Law earned USL Team of the Week honors for a goal and an assist in week 4. Hartford Athletic are 1-2 all time against Indiana's team.

SET PIECE FINISHING

Set pieces have been a strength for Hartford Athletic this season. Scoring two goals from set pieces this season, they have converted more than expected, with a total goal expectancy of 1.8 off of their 16 free kicks and corner kicks. However, both of those goals were in the Open Cup, as Hartford has been denied on set pieces in league play that could have earned them some valuable points thus far. On Saturday night, the Green and Blue were given a free kick from about 35 yards out and ran a piece straight off the training ground perfectly. Danny Barrera lofted a peach of a ball into a sea of open blue jerseys and it landed at the feet of Luka Prpa, whose shot rang off the crossbar. Prpa's shot had a .476 goal expectancy, the second highest of the match.

CALLING IN REINFORCEMENTS

With the absence of Juan Carlos Obregón Jr. due to a knee injury suffered on April 7th, Hartford Athletic are missing their top striker and his timetable for a return is indefinite at the moment. Despite the unfortunate set back, the club has called in some reinforcements with the addition of two experienced forwards. Hartford signed Ariel Martínez last Tuesday and he came off the bench against Detroit City last Saturday night, recording a shot and creating three chances. This week, Hartford inked one of the most prolific goal scorers in the USL Championship, Corey Hertzog, who's 73 career goals are the second most in league history.

BY THE NUMBERS

2022 HARTFORD ATHLETIC STATS

NO	NAME	POS	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SH	Y	R
2	Younes Boudadi	DF	6	4	384	0	0	2	2	0
4	Tulu	DF	3	2	198	0	0	0	0	0
5	Tom Brewitt	DF	6	6	540	0	0	2	1	0
6	Ariel Martínez*	FW	1	0	28	0	0	1	0	0
7	Prince Saydee	FW	6	6	443	0	3	3	0	0
8	Peter-Lee Vassell	MF	3	2	161	0	0	1	3	1
9	Juan Carlos Obregón Jr.	FW	3	3	199	1	0	6	0	0
10	Danny Barrera	MF	6	6	497	0	0	6	1	0
11	Luka Prpa	MF	6	1	193	0	0	0	0	0
12	Corey Hertzog	FW	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	Ashkanov Apollon	DF	5	3	324	1	0	3	2	0
17	Mitchell Curry	FW	5	0	96	0	0	1	1	0
18	Rashawn Dally	FW	5	3	230	1	0	4	0	0
20	Christian Gomez	MF	2	2	108	0	0	0	0	0
21	Jeciel Cedeño	FW	2	0	22	0	0	0	0	0
23	Modou Jadama	DF	6	6	540	0	0	5	0	0
25	Pearse O'Brien	MF	1	0	6	0	0	0	0	0
28	Conor McGlynn	MF	6	4	315	0	0	4	0	0
30	Joel Johnson	DF	6	6	527	1	0	3	1	0
32	Damon Rouse	MF	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
77	Andre Lewis	FW	6	6	540	0	1	4	2	0

NO	NAME	POS	GP	GS	MIN	GA	GAA	SOG	SV	CS
1	Austin Pack	GK	4	4	360	7	1.78	16	9	0
31	Jimmy Slayton	GK	2	2	180	4	2.00	14	10	0
33	Sebastian Pliszka	GK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

2022

REGULAR SEASON STATS

GOALS	I	2	TOTAL	FOULS CONCEDED	I	2	TOTAL
Hartford Athletic	4	1	5	Hartford Athletic	39	24	63
Opponent	5	6	11	Opponent	31	32	63
SHOTS	I	2	TOTAL	OFFSIDES	I	2	TOTAL
Hartford Athletic	29	31	60	Hartford Athletic	9	6	15
Opponent	51	39	90	Opponent	4	7	11
ASSISTS	I	2	TOTAL	CAUTIONS	I	2	TOTAL
Hartford Athletic	4	0	4	Hartford Athletic	6	7	13
Opponent	2	5	7	Opponent	5	11	16
SOG	I	2	TOTAL	EJECTIONS	I	2	TOTAL
Hartford Athletic	9	7	16	Hartford Athletic	1	0	1
Opponent	13	17	30	Opponent	0	0	0

THE LAST TIME HARTFORD ATHLETIC...

Clean Sheet For	Oct. 30, 2021, 0-0 @ PIT	Own Goal Against	Noah Cobb, ATL, April 2nd, 2022
Clean Sheet Against	April 16, 2022, 2-0 @ MIA	Won by 2 Goals	Oct. 26, 2021, 2-0 vs CHS
Brace For	Walmer Martinez, Oct. 26, 2021 vs CHS	Won by 3 Goals	Sept. 20, 2020, 3-0 at PHI
Brace Against	Sebastian Guenzatti, TBR, Sept. 25, 2021	Won by 4+ Goals	June 5, 2021, 7-0 vs NYRBII
Hat Trick For	N/A	Lost by 2 Goals	April 16, 2022, 2-0 at MIA
Hat Trick Against	Hadji Barry, OTT, Sept. 22, 2019	Lost by 3 Goals	Aug. 28, 2020, 3-0 vs PIT
Penalty Kick For	Oct. 6, 2021, NM (Goal - D. Barrera)	Lost by 4 Goals	Sept. 28, 2019, 4-0 at CLT
Penalty Kick Against	April 10, 2022 (Goal - Agudelo)	Lost by 5 Goals	Sept. 12, 2020, 5-0 at PIT
Reduced to 10 Men	March 19, 2022, at PIT (2-1 L)	Earliest Goal For	Harry Swartz, 15 seconds, June 1, 2019
Opponent Reduced to 10 Men	Sept 30, 2021, vs CLT (2-1 L)	Earliest Goal Against	T. Janjigian (OG), :67, @CHS, 10/10/21
Own Goal For	Thomas Janjigian, at CHS, Oct. 10, 2021	Largest Margin of Victory	7-0, June 5, 2021 vs NYRBII

2022 HARTFORD ATHLETIC

2022 RECORD WHEN

At Home	0-2-0
On the Road	0-3-1
On Grass	0-0-1
On Artificial Turf	0-4-0
Wearing Blue	0-4-0
Wearing Teal	0-1-1
Scoring First	0-1-1
Conceding First	0-4-0
Leading at Halftime	0-1-0
Tied at Halftime	0-2-1
Trailing at Halftime	0-4-0

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ALL-TIME LEADERS

Goals

1. Danny Barrera (13)
2. Alex Dixon (11), Juan Carlos Obregon Jr. (11)
3. Wojciech Wojcik (7)

Assists

1. Danny Barrera (23)
2. Preston Tabort Etaka, Gabriel Torres (5)
3. Alex Dixon, Raymond Lee, Harry Swartz, Wojciech Wojcik (4)

Saves

1. Jeff Caldwell (108)
2. Frederick Due (74)
3. Cody Cropper (39)

USL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM OF THE WEEK

AS OF 03/19/22

HARTFORD ATHLETIC ROSTER

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	HOMETOWN	NATIONALITY	DOB	LAST CLUB
1	Austin Pack	GK	6'1"	185	Atlanta, GA	USA	02/15/94	Charlotte Independence
2	Younes Boudadi*	DF	6'0"	171	Ypres, Belgium	BEL/MOR	01/23/96	Reno 1868 FC
4	Tulu	DF	6'2"	190	Adelphi, MD	USA/Togo	04/09/97	Sporting Club Ideal (POR)
5	Tom Brewitt	DF	6'1"	185	Liverpool, England	England	02/14/97	Tacoma Defiance
6	Ariel Martínez*	FW	5'9"	146	Sancti Spiritus	Cuba	05/09/86	Miami FC
7	Prince Saydee*	FW	5'11"	161	Monrovia, Liberia	Liberia	02/20/93	Phoenix Rising FC
8	Peter-Lee Vassell	MF	5'11"	132	St. James Parish, Jamaica	Jamaica	02/03/98	Indy Eleven
9	Juan Carlos Obregón Jr.	FW	5'9"	160	Brooklyn, NY	USA/Honduras	10/29/97	RGV Toros FC
10	Danny Barrera	MF	5'7"	170	Thousand Oaks, CA	USA	01/08/90	Cal FC (UPSL)
11	Luka Prpa	MF	5'10"	162	Wind Lake, WI	USA	07/27/98	RGV Toros FC
12	Corey Hertzog	FW	6'0"	175	Reading, PA	USA	08/01/90	San Diego Loyal
14	Ashkanov Apollon	DF	6'0"	165	Boston, MA	USA/Haiti	04/03/91	San Diego 1904 FC (NISA)
17	Mitchell Curry*	FW	5'10"	150	Newcastle, England	England	07/14/99	Fort Lauderdale CF
18	Rashawn Dally	FW	6'2"	200	Bloomfield, CT	USA	01/14/97	Memphis 901 FC
20	Christian Gómez*	MF	5'6"	148	Puerto Ordaz, Venezuela	Venezuela	02/23/99	Mineros De Guayana
21	Jeciel Cedeño	FW	5'7"	150	Guayaquil, Ecuador	USA/ECU	04/03/00	New York Red Bulls II
23	Modou Jadama	DF	6'0"	183	Atlanta, GA	USA/Gambia	03/17/94	FC Tulsa
25	Pearse O'Brien^	MF	5'8"	143	West Hartford, CT	USA/Ireland	10/26/04	Real Monarchs SLC
28	Conor McGlynn	MF	6'4"	180	Middle Village, NY	USA	11/20/97	Sienna College (NCAA)
30	Joel Johnson	DF	5'11"	168	Torrent, Spain	Spain	09/20/92	Charlotte Independence
31	Jimmy Slayton	GK	6'2"	194	Wethersfield, CT	USA	10/01/98	Real Monarchs SLC
32	Damon Rouse^	MF	5'7"	150	Albany, NY	USA	07/20/05	NYCFC
33	Sebastian Pliszka^	GK	6'4"	190	Newington, CT	USA	03/31/04	Loomis Chaffee High School
77	Andre Lewis	MF	5'6"	145	Spanish Town, Jamaica	Jamaica	08/12/94	Colorado Switchbacks FC

* = international roster slot ^ = academy contract signing • = currently on loan

Head Coach: Harry Watling
 Assistant Coach: Jake Davis
 Athletic Trainer: Mike Dias
 Team Administrator: None
 Team Physicians: Jay Kimmel, Jeff Brown

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Harry Watling	WATT-ling
Ashkanov Apollon	ASH-kah-nov, ah-POLLEN
Younes Boudadi	YOU-ness, boo-DODD-ee
Jeciel Cedeño	jeh-SEEL, ced-ain-ño
Juan Carlos Obregón Jr.	OH-ber-gone
Luka Prpa	PURR-puh
Tulu	TOO-loo
Tom Brewitt	BREW-it
Joel Johnson	JOE-el Johnson
Prince Saydee	SAY-dee
Rashawn Dally	DAHL-lee
Peter-Lee Vassell	VASS-uhl
Pearse O'Brien	Like PIERCE
Damon Rouse	Rhymes with house
Sebastian Pliszka	PLISH-kah
Modou Jadama	MOH-DOO Jah-dah-mah



GK | AUSTIN PACK

#1

LAST SEASON: - 21 GP / 20 GS - 1,859 min | 51 SV | 6 CS | 0 YC | 0 RC

LAST MATCH: -

Pack has played the past two seasons with Charlotte Independence. In 2021, Pack made twenty starts, recording six clean sheets and fifty-one saves. He started in goal for three of four matchups between Charlotte and Hartford last season, allowing only two goals and making eight saves. Pack, 27, first signed with the Independence on February 10, 2020 after spending the previous two seasons with Portland Timbers 2 (2018) and Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC (2019). Prior to making the move to the USL Championship, Pack played two seasons for Puerto Rico FC (2016-17), where he made 11 starts and recorded two shutouts during the 2017 NASL season.



DF | YOUNES BOUDADI

#2

LAST SEASON: - 28 GP / 26 GS - 2,243 min | 0 G | 2 A | 4 SH | 9 YC | 0 RC

LAST MATCH: - 1 GP / 1 GS - 90 min | 0 G | 0 A | 0 SH | 1 YC | 0 RC

Younes Boudadi returns to Hartford for his second season in Green and Blue. In 2021, Boudadi led the team in interceptions (41), Duels Won (147) and Crosses (69) and was second in Tackles (55) and Tackles Won (37). A product of Belgian giant Club Brugge's youth program, he moved to the US in 2016 to play college soccer. After four years spent between Boston College and Creighton, Younes was selected 102nd overall in the 2020 MLS SuperDraft by LAFC, but did not sign with the Club.



DF | TULU

#4

LAST SEASON: - 27 GP / 27 GS - 2,309 min | 0 G | 0 A | 0 SH | 7 YC | 0 RC

LAST MATCH: -

Tulu was a mainstay in the Hartford Athletic back line in 2021. Signed in April just days before the start of the season, he played and started 27 matches and played 2,309 minutes, fourth most on the team. He also led the team in clearances (135) and blocks (31). At season's end, Tulu was named Defender of the Year in the Fan's Choice Awards and earned his first call to the Togolese National Team's camp for World Cup Qualifying matches.



DF | TOM BREWITT

#5

LAST SEASON: - 29 GP / 26 GS - 2,419 min | 0 G | 0 A | 0 SH | 0 YC | 0 RC

LAST MATCH: - 1 GP / 1 GS - 90 min | 0 G | 0 A | 0 SH | 0 YC | 0 RC

In his first season in the USL Championship in 2021, Tom Brewitt added to his pedigree as a serial leader as he was named captain of the Tacoma Defiance. He was their iron man, leading the club in minutes (2,419) across 29 appearances and 26 starts. The 24-year-old also added two goals while leading Tacoma to a strong 2021 campaign of 10 wins and 39 points. Prior to making his U.S. soccer debut, Tom played 10 years in the Liverpool youth system and represented England at the U-17 level. In 2019-2020, Tom made his professional debut for Morecambe FC in League Two of the English Football League and tallied 27 appearances and two goals across all competitions. Tom will add a strong leadership quality to Hartford's already experienced and talented back line in 2022.



FW | ARIEL MARTÍNEZ

#6

LAST SEASON: - 30 GP / 22 GS - 1,722 min | 6 G | 7 A | 31 SH | 4 YC | 0 RC

LAST MATCH: - 1 GP / 1 GS - 28 min | 0 G | 0 A | 1 SH | 1 YC | 0 RC

Born in Sancti Spíritus, Cuba, the 35-year-old is one of the most experienced international players of his generation, collecting 34 goals across 58 starts for Cuba on the international stage. Martínez made his American soccer debut with the Charleston Battery in 2015 after defecting from Cuba during the 2015 Gold Cup. From 2016 up to 2020, he played four seasons with Miami FC as they transitioned from the NASL, NPSL, and NISA before becoming a USL Championship club in 2020. Across those four seasons, Martínez had 23 goals with 16 assists, and helped lead the club to an NISA Eastern Conference Championship in 2019.



MF | PRINCE SAYDEE

#7

LAST SEASON: - 24 GP / 23 GS - 460 min | 1 G | 0 A | 7 SH | 0 YC | 0 RC

LAST MATCH: - 1 GP / 1 GS - 50 min | 0 G | 0 A | 1 SH | 0 YC | 0 RC

Prince began his professional career as a 17-year-old with Barrack Young Controllers FC in 2013. The winger scored 23 goals in 47 appearances for the Liberian first-division side before coming to the United States in 2019. He joined Miami FC for the 2020 season where he led the team with three assists in 11 appearances, and signed with Phoenix Rising ahead of the 2021 season, appearing in 24 matches. An explosive attacking wide player, Coach Watling believes he will be a fan favorite in Hartford this season.



MF | PETER-LEE VASSELL

#8

LAST SEASON: - 20 GP / 7 GS - 708 min | 3 G | 0 A | 15 SH | 2 YC | 0 RC

LAST MATCH: -

Vassell comes to Hartford after spending the 2021 season with fellow USL Championship side Indy Eleven where he was third on the team with three goals. The 23-year-old has turned heads in recent years with the Jamaican National Team, bagging six goals in 18 appearances with the "Reggae Boyz" at the senior international level including contests in the 2019 CONCACAF Gold Cup and 2021 CONCACAF World Cup Qualifying competitions.



FW | JUAN CARLOS OBREGON JR.

#9

LAST SEASON: - 27 GP / 27 GS - 2,056 min | 10 G | 1 A | 50 SH | 3 YC | 0 RC

LAST MATCH: -

Obregón Jr. returns to Hartford Athletic after an impressive 2021 campaign with the club. His 10 goals were the most scored in a single-season in club history. He also became the first Hartford Athletic player to compete in the Olympics, playing for Honduras. Obregón Jr. scored once during the group stage, a crucial goal in a 3-2 win over New Zealand.



MF | DANNY BARRERA

#10

LAST SEASON: - 31 GP / 31 GS - 2,655 min | 8 G | 12 A | 35 SH | 3 YC | 1 RC

LAST MATCH: - 1 GP / 1 GS - 90 min | 0 G | 0 A | 3 SH | 0 YC | 0 RC

Hartford's captain turned in the best season of his career in 2021, scoring eight goals and notching a league high twelve assists. He was named to the USL Championship's All-League First Team for his performance, the first Hartford player to earn such an honor. Barrera is Hartford's all-time leader in goals scored (13), assists (23), key passes (154) and USL Championship appearances (65). The longest tenured member of Hartford Athletic is widely known among Hartford fans for the "Immaculate Deflection" in 2020 – a goal in which he scored via scorpion kick to win the game and help clinch the Group F title for Hartford Athletic.



MF | LUKA PRPA

#11

LAST SEASON: -13 GP / 5 GS - 538 min | 1 G | 0 A | 4 SH | 1 YC | 0 RC

LAST MATCH: - 1 GP / 0 GS - 40 min | 0 G | 0 A | 2 SH | 0 YC | 0 RC

Prpa started in the first game of the 2021 season for Hartford against New York Red Bulls II and two games later, scored the game-tying goal in stoppage time to salvage a 1-1 draw against Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC in the home opener. He suffered a foot injury in the match and didn't play again until mid-September. Prpa appeared in ten matches following the injury and totaled 538 minutes on the season. The midfielder was the 34th overall pick in the 2020 MLS SuperDraft by the Houston Dynamo and was loaned to USL Championship affiliate RGV FC Toros where he played the 2020 regular season.



FW | COREY HERTZOG

#12

LAST SEASON: - 31 GP / 23 GS - 2,054 min | 6 G | 5 A | 39 SH | 8 YC | 0 RC

LAST MATCH: -

Hertzog comes to Hartford Athletic after spending the 2021 season with fellow USL Championship club San Diego Loyal SC, where he played over 2,000 minutes across 31 games and scored six goals with five assists. The striker had stints at various other USL Championship clubs including the Tampa Bay Rowdies, Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC, Saint Louis FC, and Reno 1868 FC, where he scored 27 goals and tallied 10 assists across two seasons in 2019 and 2020. An elite-level goal scorer in the USL Championship, Hertzog's 73 regular-season goals are the second-most in league history, while Hertzog has also recorded six goals in the USL Championship Playoffs in his career.



DF | ASHKANOV APOLLON

#14

LAST SEASON: 6 GP / 0 GS - 423 min | 1 G | 1 A | 0 SH | YC | 0 RC

LAST MATCH: - 1 GP / 1 GS - 90 min | 0 G | 0 A | 1 SH | 0 YC | 0 RC

Apollon was acquired by Hartford on transfer from NISA club San Diego 1904 FC just before the 2021 roster freeze at the end of September. He played in 6 matches in the season's final weeks picking up an assist and six key passes in just 423 minutes. He also was named to the USL Championship's Team of the Week for Week 26 after two excellent performances in wins against Loudoun United. Ash has made four appearances for the Haitian National Team, and will make his fifth on March 27th in their friendly against Guatemala.



FW | MITCHELL CURRY

#17

LAST SEASON: 23 GP / 20 GS - 1,844 min | 8 G | 5 A | 33 SH | 1 YC | 0 RC

LAST MATCH: - 1 GP / 0 GS - 3 min | 0 G | 0 A | 0 SH | 0 YC | 0 RC

Mitch spent the 2021 season with Fort Lauderdale CF, formerly of USL League One. His eight goals on the season were best on the team and top ten across League One. He also added five assists, second most on the team and ninth most in the league. Mitch took home USL League One Team of the Week honors three teams throughout the season. Curry signed for Fort Lauderdale from Sunderland A.F.C in England, where he featured as a striker and made his senior debut in Dec. 2020. He came up through the Middlesbrough academy and featured twenty times for the club in Premier League 2.



FW | RASHAWN DALLY

#18

LAST SEASON: - 24 GP / 6 GS - 606 min | 0 G | 0 A | 5 SH | 2 YC | 0 RC

LAST MATCH: - 1 GP / 1 GS - 62 min | 1 G | 0 A | 1 SH | 0 YC | 0 RC

The Bloomfield, CT native was selected 49th overall by FC Cincinnati in the 2019 MLS SuperDraft after finishing his collegiate career at Quinnipiac University. He played sixteen matches over two seasons for the former USL side while also spending two stints on loan, one with Memphis 901 FC in 2019 and another with Las Vegas Lights in 2020. He re-signed with Memphis for the 2021 season and appeared in twenty-four matches, starting six. A physically dominant player, he will compete with a talented but crowded group of forwards for minutes on the pitch this season.



MF | CHRISTIAN GOMEZ

#20

LAST SEASON: - 13 GP / 10 GS - 723 min | 0 G | 0 A | 4 SH | 2 YC | 0 RC

LAST MATCH: -

Gómez returns to Hartford Athletic after a strong 2021 campaign. He made his Hartford debut on June 13, 2021, coming off the bench in the 62nd minute of a 3-2 road loss to Charlotte Independence. He played 723 minutes over 13 appearances with 10 starts. He had 2 assists, 8 key passes and completed 80.1% of his passes, including 60.7% of his long passes. An offensive threat with playmaking ability, Gomez will compete for minutes in Hartford's midfield.



FW | JECIEL CEDENO

#21

LAST SEASON: - 16 GP / 4 GS - 426 min | 0 G | 0 A | 5 SH | 1 YC | 0 RC

LAST MATCH: -

Cedeno returns to Hartford Athletic after appearing in 16 matches, starting 4 and playing 426 minutes in 2021. Despite not scoring a goal in limited minutes, Coach Watling believes that he showed moments of brilliance last season and is sure to provide more this year. Most recently, he scored in Hartford's preseason match against his former club New York Red Bulls II.



DF | MODOU JADAMA #23

LAST SEASON: - 25 GP / 23 GS - 2,065 min | 0 G | 1 A | 6 SH | 7 YC | 0 RC

LAST MATCH: - 1 GP / 1 GS - 90 min | 0 G | 0 A | 1 SH | 0 YC | 0 RC

Jadama has played the past five seasons in the top level of the USL. Last season, as a member of FC Tulsa, he played in twenty-five matches, leading the team in clearances (82) and blocks (23) and was fifth in interceptions (35). The defender played two seasons for Portland Timbers where he played for both the MLS and USL sides. He made his MLS debut on June 10, 2018 and helped the Timbers keep a clean sheet against Sporting Kansas City. Coach Watling has praised Jadama as a top central defender in the USL and expects him to raise the standard of defending at Hartford Athletic.



MF | PEARSE O'BRIEN #25

LAST SEASON: - 2 GP / 0 GS - 31 min | 0 G | 0 A | 1 SH | 0 YC | 0 RC

LAST MATCH: -

A West Hartford, CT native, Pearse O' Brien headlined Hartford Athletic's slate of Academy contract signings before the 2022 season. He is a product of the Oakwood Soccer Club in Glastonbury, CT, where at just 16-years old, he earned a place on the club's U19 team as the group's youngest player and achieved a plethora of accolades on his way to becoming the region's top-ranked prospect. Now 17-years old, the attacking midfielder wasted no time showing his potential at the professional level, as he scored a screamer of goal from outside the box in Hartford's preseason friendly on March 11th.



MF | CONOR MCGLYNN #28

LAST SEASON: - 29 GP / 20 GS - 1,864 min | 5 G | 0 A | 21 SH | 8 YC | 0 RC

LAST MATCH: - 1 GP / 1 GS - 90 min | 0 G | 0 A | 1 SH | 0 YC | 0 RC

Entering his third season with Hartford Athletic, Conor McGlynn has become one of the faces of the club. He played 1,864 minutes over 29 appearances in 2021, and scored a career high five goals. He has a knack for scoring highlight reel goals, including one from his own half against New York Red Bulls II that went viral, earning over 3 million views on social media alone. During his first two seasons in Hartford, Conor appeared in Sportscenter's Top 10 Plays on two different occasions. The Middle Village, NY native signed with Hartford after participating in the club's Open Tryouts in December of 2019. After advancing through the Invitational Combine and preseason, McGlynn had earned his first professional contract and was in the starting lineup for the first game of the 2020 season.



DF | JOEL JOHNSON #30

LAST SEASON: - 21 GP / 19 GS - 1,547 min | 3 G | 3 A | 16 SH | 8 YC | 0 RC

LAST MATCH: - 1 GP / 1 GS - 87 min | 0 G | 0 A | 1 SH | 0 YC | 0 RC

Joel Johnson is a proven veteran of the USL, as he comes to Hartford after spending an impressive six seasons with the Charlotte Independence. Dating back to the 2016 season, he played over 12,000 minutes across 146 games with Charlotte. And in 2021, he even added three goals to his already notable track record as a defender. He will be a stalwart of Hartford's bolstered backline this season.



GK | JIMMY SLAYTON

#31

LAST SEASON: - 4 GP / 2 GS - 24 min | 0 YC | 0 RC

LAST MATCH: - 1 GP / 1 GS - 90 min | 9 SOG | 7 SV | 0 YC | 0 RC

Jimmy Slayton attended Wethersfield High School before playing four years at the University of Hartford, where he had a stellar career for the Hawks. Over four seasons, Slayton made 74 starts, tallied 293 saves, and recorded a program record 21 career shutouts. The shot stopper highlighted the 2016 America East All-Rookie Team and was an America East All-Conference Second Team selection his senior year. Slayton joins Hartford Athletic after spending the last two seasons with Real Monarchs SLC, where he totaled 1,217 minutes across 13 starts and recorded three clean sheets.



MF | DAMON ROUSE

#32

LAST SEASON: -

LAST MATCH: -

At 16-years old, Damon Rouse became the youngest signing in club history when he signed an Academy contract before the 2022 season. As part of Hartford Athletic's professional pathway, Damon joins the club after competing with affiliate club AC Connecticut in the USL Academy Showcase. He is the second academy contract signing of 2022, joining West Hartford native Pearse O'Brien. The two players have been training with Hartford Athletic's first team throughout the entirety of preseason and are expected to continue to do so during the regular season.



GK | SEBASTIAN PLISZKA

#33

LAST SEASON: - 0 GP / 0 GS - 0 min

LAST MATCH: -

Sebastian Pliszka signed his second academy contract in as many seasons with Hartford Athletic ahead of the 2022 season, as he was the second academy signing in club history in 2021 following Giovanni Calderón. The goalkeeper was first seen by the technical staff when he trained with the club for a month in August of 2020 and made a positive impression. He was invited back to training sessions in May 2021 before signing his first academy contract.



MF | ANDRE LEWIS

#77

LAST SEASON: - 29 GP / 18 GS - 1,796 min | 5 G | 5 A | 19 SH | 3 YC | 0 RC

LAST MATCH: - 1 GP / 1 GS - 90 min | 0 G | 0 A | 2 SH | 0 YC | 0 RC

Andre Lewis started his soccer career with Portmore United before being drafted 7th overall in the 2014 MLS SuperDraft by the Vancouver Whitecaps. In 2019, he returned to Portmore United and helped his old club win the Jamaica National Premier League. Lewis also played and scored in a friendly between Portmore and Hartford Athletic in 2019. He signed with Switchbacks FC before the 2020 season and over two seasons, played 2,552 minutes in 40 matches. He scored 6 goals, two of which came against Hartford in a mid-season matchup out West. Andre also tallied 5 assists and 49 key passes in two seasons and completed just under 86% of his passes. He will be a central piece to Hartford's offensive attack in 2022.