



MINNESOTA STARS

Match Notes and Stats

Fort Lauderdale at Minnesota

Saturday, Oct. 22, 2011 | 7:30 p.m. CDT
NSC Stadium | Blaine, Minn.



2011 NASL Regular Season

NSC Minnesota Stars
Record: 9-10-9 (36 pts)
6th place in NASL
Last five: D W W W L

Ft. Lauderdale Strikers
Record: 9-8-11 (38 pts)
4th place in NASL
Last five: T L W W W

How the Stars and Strikers Compare

| | | |
|-----------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| 35 | Goals scored | 43 |
| 36 | Goals allowed | 38 |
| 17 | Assists | 26 |
| 11.1 | Shots/gm | 10.9 |
| 11.5 | Opponent shots/gm | -N/A- |
| 4.2 | Corners/gm | -N/A- |
| 4.6 | Opponent corners/gm | -N/A- |
| 10.9 | Fouls/gm | -N/A- |
| 12.7 | Opponent fouls/gm | -N/A- |
| Bracalello (6) | Goals leader | Shriver (11) |
| Four tied (2) | Assists leader | Coudet, Palacio (4) |
| Warren (128) | Saves leader | Glaeser (84) |
| Altman - #16 | Players to watch | Coudet - #88 |
| Gotsmanov - #7 | | Shriver - #21 |
| Rodriguez - #32 | | Thompson - #9 |
| None | Injuries | None |
| None | Suspensions | None |

Team comparisons include all league matches in 2011, including playoffs

Match Preview

In their short history, the Minnesota Stars have never won a match against the Fort Lauderdale Strikers (previously Miami FC). In 2011, the Strikers have won two of four meetings, including a comprehensive 3-0 win in June and a 1-0 win at NSC Stadium in August that started a seven-game skid for the Stars. In order to lift the North American Soccer League championship trophy on October 29 at Lockhart Stadium in Fort Lauderdale, the Stars will need to reverse their fortunes against the South Florida franchise.

The Stars enter the game confident from dispatching of the league's regular season champion, the Carolina RailHawks, in the semifinals. After a 1-0 win at NSC Stadium in the first leg, the Stars lost 4-3 in Carolina, taking the aggregate score in the series to 4-4. After a scoreless 30-minute extra time period, the Stars prevailed 5-3 on penalties to move on to the final series. The Strikers beat the defending champion Puerto Rico Islanders 5-2 across two legs.

Minnesota-Fort Lauderdale Series History

2011: FTL leads 2-0-2

In Minnesota: FTL won 1-0-1, 2 GF, 1 GA

In Ft. Laud.: FTL leads 1-0-1, 4 GF, 1 GA

All-time: FTL leads 3-0-3

In Minnesota: FTL leads 1-0-2, 3 GF, 2 GA

In Ft. Laud.: FTL leads 2-0-1, 5 GF, 1 GA

2011 Regular Season Schedule

| Date | Opponent | Time/Score |
|------|-----------------------------|------------|
| 4.09 | at Atlanta Silverbacks | W 2-1 |
| 4.15 | at Fort Lauderdale Strikers | D 1-1 |
| 4.26 | at Puerto Rico Islanders | L 3-1 |
| 4.30 | Carolina RailHawks | D 1-1 |
| 5.07 | Fort Lauderdale Strikers | D 1-1 |
| 5.14 | Atlanta Silverbacks | W 3-0 |
| 5.18 | Puerto Rico Islanders | W 2-0 |
| 5.23 | at FC Edmonton | L 2-1 |
| 5.28 | FC Tampa Bay | D 0-0 |
| 6.01 | at Puerto Rico Islanders | D 1-1 |
| 6.04 | at Atlanta Silverbacks | W 2-0 |
| 6.11 | at Fort Lauderdale Strikers | L 3-0 |
| 6.18 | FC Edmonton | D 1-1 |
| 7.04 | FC Edmonton | D 1-1 |
| 7.09 | Carolina RailHawks | W 1-0 |
| 7.17 | Puerto Rico Islanders | L 1-0 |
| 7.22 | Montreal Impact | W 1-0 |
| 8.06 | at Montreal Impact | W 3-1 |
| 8.10 | Fort Lauderdale Strikers | L 1-0 |
| 8.13 | at FC Tampa Bay | L 2-0 |
| 8.17 | at Carolina RailHawks | D 1-1 |
| 8.20 | at Montreal Impact | L 2-0 |
| 8.27 | Montreal Impact | L 2-0 |
| 9.03 | at FC Edmonton | L 3-1 |
| 9.06 | FC Tampa Bay | L 2-1 |
| 9.10 | Atlanta Silverbacks | W 2-0 |
| 9.17 | at FC Tampa Bay | D 1-1 |
| 9.24 | at Carolina RailHawks | W 2-1 |

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FORT LAUDERDALE STRIKERS

August 10, 2011

Strikers 1-0 Stars

NSC Stadium

Scoring Summary

FTL: Nunez 67

Yellow Cards

MIN: Hlavaty, Cristiano, Clements

FTL: Palacio

Att: 1,465

June 11, 2011

Strikers 3-0 Stars

Lockhart Stadium

Scoring Summary

FTL: Granado 55,

Shriver 65, 87

Yellow Cards

MIN: Allen, Davis, Cristiano

FTL: Coudet

Red Cards

FTL: Laing

Att: 2,825

May 7, 2011

Stars 1-1 Strikers

NSC Stadium

Scoring Summary

FTL: Coudet 35

MIN: Bracalello 88

Yellow Cards

MIN: Bracalello, Stewart, Hlavaty

FTL: Arguez

Red Cards

MIN: Bracalello

Att: 1,672

April 15, 2011

Stars 1-1 Strikers

Lockhart Stadium

Scoring Summary

MIN: Del Do 60

FTL: Coudet 90+

Yellow Cards

MIN: Stewart, Altman, Allen, Gilkerson

FTL: Wheeler, Coudet, Arguez

Att: 4,442

May 22, 2010

Miami FC 1-0 Stars

Lockhart Stadium

Scoring Summary

MIA: Araujo 70

Yellow Cards

MIN: Arango

MIA: Cabas, Rodriguez

Att: 1,793

May 15, 2010

Stars 1-1 Miami FC

NSC Stadium

Scoring Summary

MIN: Menyongar 56

MIA: Araujo 73

Yellow Cards

MIN: Gumede, Clements

Att: 1,576

NASL Regular Season Standings

| | GP | W | L | D | GD | Pts |
|-----------------|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|
| Carolina | 28 | 17 | 8 | 3 | +24 | 54 |
| Puerto Rico | 28 | 15 | 6 | 7 | +9 | 52 |
| FC Tampa Bay | 28 | 11 | 9 | 8 | +5 | 41 |
| Fort Lauderdale | 28 | 9 | 8 | 11 | -1 | 38 |
| FC Edmonton | 28 | 10 | 12 | 6 | -5 | 36 |
| Minnesota | 28 | 9 | 10 | 9 | -2 | 36 |
| Montreal | 28 | 9 | 11 | 8 | +8 | 35 |
| Atlanta | 28 | 4 | 20 | 4 | -38 | 16 |



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NSC Minnesota Achievements

| Team | Achievement | Date |
|-------------------|------------------------|------------|
| Last home win | 1-0 v. Carolina | 10.8.2011 |
| Last home loss | 2-1 v. Tampa Bay | 9.6.2011 |
| Last home draw | 1-1 v. Edmonton | 7.4.2011 |
| Last away win | 1-0 @ Tampa Bay | 10.1.2011 |
| Last away loss | 4-3 @ Carolina | 10.15.2011 |
| Last away draw | 1-1 @ Tampa Bay | 9.17.2011 |
| Held scoreless | 2-0 L v. Montreal | 8.27.2011 |
| Scored 1 goal | 1-0 W v. Carolina | 10.8.2011 |
| Scored 2 goals | 2-1 W @ Carolina | 9.24.2011 |
| Scored 3+ goals | 4-3 L @ Carolina | 10.15.2011 |
| Posted shutout | 1-0 W v. Carolina | 10.8.2011 |
| Allowed 1 goal | 2-1 W @ Carolina | 9.24.2011 |
| Allowed 2 goals | 2-1 L v. Tampa Bay | 9.6.2011 |
| Allowed 3+ goals | 4-3 L @ Carolina | 10.15.2011 |
| Scored hat trick | Never | |
| Multi-goal game | Simone Bracalello (2) | 8.6.2011 |
| Multi-assist game | Devin Del Do (2) | 9.24.2010 |
| Multi-point game | Simone Bracalello (2G) | 8.6.2011 |
| Sent off | Simone Bracalello | 5.7.2011 |
| Penalty scored | Neil Hlavaty | 10.15.2011 |
| Penalty missed | Simone Bracalello | 9.15.2010 |
| GK penalty save | Joe Warren | 7.9.2011 |

Opposition Achievements

| Individual | Achievement | Date |
|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Scored hat trick | Pablo Campos, CAR | 10.15.2011 |
| Multi-goal game | Pablo Campos (3) | CAR, 10.15.2011 |
| Multi-assist game | Jamie Watson (2) | AUS, 9.24.2010 |
| Multi-point game | Pablo Campos (3G) | CAR, 10.15.2011 |
| Sent off | Devon McKenney, CAR | 10.15.2011 |
| Penalty scored | Pablo Campos, CAR | 10.15.2011 |
| Penalty missed | Pablo Campos, CAR | 10.15.2011 |
| GK penalty save | Steve Cronin, POR | 6.17.2010 |

Scoring Frequency

| Goals Scored | Minute Range | 2011 | 2010 | All-time |
|------------------------|--------------|------|------|----------|
| 0-15 | 2 | 1 | 3 | |
| 16-30 | 6 | 6 | 12 | |
| 31-45 | 2 | 9 | 11 | |
| 1st Half Stoppage Time | 0 | 1 | 1 | |
| 46-60 | 10 | 2 | 12 | |
| 61-75 | 8 | 3 | 11 | |
| 76-90 | 4 | 9 | 13 | |
| 2nd Half Stoppage Time | 3 | 1 | 4 | |
| Totals | 35 | 32 | 67 | |

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|------------------------|--------------|------|------|----------|
| 0-15 | 2 | 4 | 6 | |
| 16-30 | 3 | 7 | 10 | |
| 31-45 | 5 | 3 | 8 | |
| 1st Half Stoppage Time | 2 | 0 | 2 | |
| 46-60 | 6 | 3 | 9 | |
| 61-75 | 11 | 13 | 24 | |
| 76-90 | 4 | 9 | 13 | |
| 2nd Half Stoppage Time | 3 | 1 | 4 | |
| Totals | 34 | 40 | 70 | |

NSC Minnesota Firsts

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|--------------------------|--|
| First game | 2-0 loss to Vancouver Whitecaps at Swangard Stadium in Burnaby, British Columbia, Canada, on April 14, 2010. |
| First home game | 1-0 win against FC Tampa Bay on April 24, 2010. First home goal scored on a 34th minute penalty kick by Leilei Gao. |
| First win | 1-0 at the Carolina RailHawks at WakeMed Soccer Park in Cary, N.C., on April 21, 2010. |
| First tie | 1-1 against Miami FC (now Fort Lauderdale Strikers) at NSC Stadium in Blaine, Minn., on May 15, 2010. |
| First goal | Daniel Wasson, unassisted, against the Carolina RailHawks, April 21, 2010. First and only goal of a 1-0 win. |
| First playoff goal | Luke Mulholland, unassisted from a free kick against FC Tampa Bay on Oct. 1, 2011 in the first round of the NASL playoffs. |
| First assist | Daniel Wasson assisted Neil Hlavaty's goal in the 84th minute of a 3-1 loss to the Puerto Rico Islanders at Juan Ramon Loubriel Stadium in Bayamon, Puerto Rico on April 21, 2010. |
| First caution | Andrei Gotsmanov received a yellow card in 21st minute of a 2-0 loss to the Vancouver Whitecaps on April 14, 2010 at Swangard Stadium in Burnaby, British Columbia, Canada. |
| First ejection | Brian Kallman received a red card for violent conduct in the 32nd minute of a 1-0 win against FC Tampa Bay at NSC Stadium in Blaine, Minn., on April 24, 2010. |
| First own goal (for) | FC Tampa Bay's Robert Valentino deflected a Scott Lorenz cross into his own goal in a 1-0 Stars victory on July 10, 2010, at NSC Stadium in Blaine, Minn. |
| First own goal (against) | Brian Kallman deflected a cross past Joe Warren in the 88th minute of a 4-0 loss to the Carolina RailHawks in the quarterfinals of the 2010 USSF D2 Pro League playoffs. |

NSC Minnesota Records

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|-----------------|---|
| Goals, one game | 2 - Simone Bracalello (9.11.2010 at St. Louis and 8.6.2011 at Montreal) and Devin Del Do (6.4.2011 at Atlanta) |
| Goals, season | 6 - Simone Bracalello in 2011 (ongoing) |
| Goals, career | 5 - Three times, (2 ongoing) |
| Assists, game | 11 - Simone Bracalello from 2010-2011 (ongoing) |
| Assists, season | 8 - Neil Hlavaty, from 2010-2011 (ongoing) |
| Assists, career | 2 - Andrei Gotsmanov (8.11.2010 at Portland), Kevin Friedland (8.1.2010 at St. Louis) and Devin Del Do (9.24.2010 at Tampa Bay) |
| Saves, game | 4 - Daniel Wasson in 2010 |
| Saves, season | 3 - Andrei Gotsmanov and Kevin Friedland in 2010 |
| Saves, career | 5 - Andrei Gotsmanov from 2010-2011 (ongoing) |
| Minutes, season | 4 - Daniel Wasson in 2010 |
| Minutes, career | 9 - Joe Warren (9.17.2011 at Tampa Bay) |
| Biggest wins | 8 - Joe Warren (4.21.2010 at Puerto Rico) |
| Biggest losses | 7 - Seven times |
| | 128 - Joe Warren in 2011 (ongoing) |
| | 85 - Joe Warren in 2010 |
| | 213 - Joe Warren from 2010-2011 (ongoing) |
| | 22 - Matt VanOekel from 2010-2011 (ongoing) |
| | 2,757 - Kyle Altman in 2010 |
| | 2,730 - Kyle Altman and Joe Warren in 2011 (ongoing) |
| | 5,487 - Kyle Altman from 2010-2011 (ongoing) |
| | 5,001 - Joe Warren from 2010-2011 (ongoing) |
| | 3-0 - 9.11.2010 at AC St. Louis |
| | 3-0 - 5.14.2011 v. Atlanta |
| | 3-1 - three times |
| | 4-0 - 10.9.2010 at Carolina in USSF D2 playoffs |
| | 3-0 - 6.11.2011 at Fort Lauderdale |
| | 3-1 - four times |



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2011 NSC Minnesota Stars Active Roster

| No. | Name | Pos. | Ht. | Hometown |
|-----|-------------------|------|------|-------------------------|
| 1 | Joseph Warren | GK | 6-4 | Minneapolis, Minn. |
| 2 | Justin Davis | D | 6-0 | Litchfield Park, Ariz. |
| 3 | Cristiano | D | 6-3 | Machado, Brazil |
| 4 | Neil Hlavaty | M | 5-11 | Lombard, Ill. |
| 5 | #Jack Stewart | D | 6-2 | Torrance, Calif. |
| 6 | Kevin Friedland | D | 5-8 | Irvine, Calif. |
| 7 | Andrei Gotsmanov | M | 5-8 | Minsk, Belarus |
| 8 | Daniel Wasson | M | 5-9 | Colorado Springs, Colo. |
| 9 | Tino Nuñez | F | 5-8 | Atlanta, Ga. |
| 10 | Sandy Gbandi | M | 5-10 | Harbel, Liberia |
| 11 | Chris Clements | D | 6-2 | Allen, Texas |
| 13 | Kentaro Takada | M | 5-9 | Tokyo, Japan |
| 14 | Brian Kallman | D | 6-0 | Woodbury, Minn. |
| 15 | John Gilkerson | D | 6-0 | Winchester, Va. |
| 16 | Kyle Altman | D | 6-1 | Albuquerque, N.M. |
| 17 | Geison | M | 5-10 | Sao Caetano, Brazil |
| 18 | Jeff Cosgriff | M/F | 6-4 | San Francisco, Calif. |
| 19 | Simone Bracalello | M/F | 6-0 | Genoa, Italy |
| 20 | Brian Cvilikas | F | 6-3 | Highlands Ranch, Colo. |
| 21 | Devin Del Do | F | 5-9 | Valencia, Calif. |
| 22 | Amani Walker | M/F | 6-2 | San Diego, Calif. |
| 23 | Ryan Woods | M | 5-7 | Preston, England |
| 24 | Scott Lorenz* | D/M | 6-0 | Barrington, Ill. |
| 25 | Anthony Hamilton | F/M | 6-0 | Redlands, Calif. |
| 26 | Ely Allen | M | 5-11 | Kent, Wash. |
| 28 | Luke Mulholland | F/M | 5-7 | Preston, England |
| 30 | Matt Van Oekel | GK | 6-4 | Chesapeake, Va. |
| 32 | Lucas Rodriguez | M | 5-8 | Buenos Aires, Argentina |
| 77 | Andy Lorei | M | 6-2 | Erie, Penn. |
| 91 | Gino Mauro | D | 6-3 | Toronto, ON, Canada |

#Player loaned to FC Dallas on August 15, 2011

*Player acquired on-loan from Sporting Kansas City (MLS) on July 27, 2011. Loan ended September 6, 2011.

Name Pronunciation Guide

| First Name | Last Name |
|------------|--|
| | LAV-it-ee |
| ON-dray | FREED-land gots-man-off WAH-sun noon-YEZ BOHN-dee |
| ken-tar-oh | TAH-kah-dah call-MAN gill-KUR-sen |
| JAY-son | MORE-uh cause-GRIFF BROCK-a-lell-oh siv-ILL-eh-kiss dell DOH |
| Uh-mahn-ee | |
| EE-lie | lor-ENCE |
| | van OKE-ell |
| | LORE-ee mar-OH |

2011 NSC Minnesota Stars Coaching and Technical Staff



Manny Lagos
Head Coach

A St. Paul native, Lagos returns to the Stars for his second season as a head coach in 2011. The Stars are Lagos' first head coaching job after a 15-year playing career in the US and Europe.



Carl Craig
Assistant Coach

Craig moved to Minnesota 17 years ago from his native Newcastle Upon Tyne, England. He has served as a coach for many Minnesota club, high school and high level amateur teams.



Kevin Friedland
Assistant Coach

California native Friedland joined the Minnesota Thunder in 2004. Holder of a USSF B License, Friedland began his professional coaching career in 2010 as a player-assistant for the Stars.



Jeremy Donner
Head Athletic Trainer

Donner has been the Stars' head athletic trainer since 2010. Donner is a certified athletic trainer with experience with the Institute for Athletic Medicine and Fairview™ Sports & Orthopedic Care.



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Midfielder | Ht: 5-11 | Birthdate: 6/12/1986 | Hometown: Kent, Wash.

Ely Allen, a former University of Washington standout, joined the Stars in 2010 after spending time with Major League Soccer's Los Angeles Galaxy, who drafted Allen with the 21st pick of the 2008 MLS SuperDraft, and DC United. Allen made 24 appearances in 2010 for the Stars, scoring three goals, including the game-winner on June 17, 2010, in a 1-0 road win against the Portland Timbers.

2011: 11 appearances...recorded assists in back-to-back games 5/18 and 5/23 against Puerto Rico and Edmonton...injured his knee 7/4 against Edmonton...



Defender | Ht: 6-1 | Birthdate: 1/31/1986 | Hometown: Albuquerque, N.M.

Kyle Altman made the move from central midfield to defense in 2010 for the Stars and has prospered in his new role as the anchor of the backline. A Trinity University product, Altman began his professional career with the Minnesota Thunder before taking a year to return to school to complete his degree. Altman made 29 appearances for the Stars in 2010, scoring one goal in a 3-2 comeback win against AC St. Louis.

2011: Named team captain in preseason...has made 30 appearances, all starts...scored Stars' only goal 4/26 in a 3-1 loss to Puerto Rico...was named NASL Defensive Player of the Week on 6/6 after captaining Stars to a 2-0 win in Atlanta...converted a penalty against Atlanta on 9/10...converted a penalty against Carolina on 9/24...part of nine Stars shutouts...converted during the 5-3 shootout win against Carolina 10/15...



Forward | Ht: 6-0 | Birthdate: 10/21/1985 | Hometown: Genoa, Italy

Simone Bracalello arrived in 2010 and impressed at the team's first-ever combine with opportunistic nose for goal and powerful right foot. The Italian forward displayed those traits in the second half of the season as he scored five goals to lead the team in scoring in the season. He also provided two assists. His late-season play, including a two-goal game at AC St. Louis, helped the Stars push for the playoffs.

2011: has made 21 appearances, including 15 starts...scored Stars' only goal 4/30 against Carolina...scored Stars' only goal 5/7 against Fort Lauderdale with a stunning late free-kick...scored Stars' only goal in 5/23 loss to Edmonton...scored Stars' only goal in 6/1 tie with Puerto Rico...scored two goals 8/6 in 3-1 win at Montreal...assisted game-tying goal 8/20 against Carolina...converted during the 5-3 shootout win against Carolina 10/15...



Defender | Ht: 6-2 | Birthdate: 3/2/1987 | Hometown: Allen, Texas

University of Tulsa product Chris Clements has spent his entire professional career in Minnesota, first with the Minnesota Thunder in 2009 and with the Stars since 2010. Clements made 22 appearances for the Stars in their inaugural 2010 season, primarily as an outside back, but he is also capable of playing in the center of defense. He had one assist in 2010 and enters 2011 as one of the Stars' first-choice outside backs.

2011: Has played 17 times, all starts...has played a role on defense in four shutouts...captained the Stars 9/6 against Tampa Bay when Kyle Altman served a one-game suspension for yellow card accumulation...



Forward | Ht: 6-4 | Birthdate: 12/26/1987 | Hometown: San Francisco, Calif.

Tall and fast, Jeff Cosgriff brings an additional big option to the Stars' front line, as well as height in midfield, if required. Cosgriff was a member of the 2010 AC St. Louis squad posting two goals and an assist. Prior to his time in St. Louis, Cosgriff played for the Santa Clara University Broncos and University of California, Berkley Golden Bears. In his collegiate career, Cosgriff played in 82 games and scored 15 goals.

2011: Has played in 22 games, making 18 starts...recorded NASL's first-ever assist in 4/9 win against Atlanta...assisted Stars' only goal in 3-1 loss to Puerto Rico 4/26...scored winning goal 5/14 against Atlanta...scored winning goal 9/10 against Atlanta...



Defender | Ht: 6-3 | Birthdate: 5/25/1986 | Hometown: Machado, Brazil

Cristiano Dias, or simply Cristiano, joins the Stars in 2011 after playing four seasons with Miami FC (now the Fort Lauderdale Strikers). At 6-foot-3, he brings height to the Stars' backline and a target to the penalty box on set pieces. Dias began his career in the lower divisions of Brazilian professional soccer, spending time with Sao Carlos, Sao Bento, Osasco and Desportivo Brasil.

2011: Has made 21 appearances and 20 starts...made Stars debut May 14 as halftime sub against Atlanta...has played a part in eight shutouts this season...





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Forward | Ht: 6-3 | Birthdate: 3/16/1984 | Hometown: Highlands Ranch, Colo.

Brian Cvilikas was the third signing announced in Stars history, joining the club in February 2010 after a season and a half with the Minnesota Thunder. Cvilikas played collegiate soccer for Old Dominion University before beginning his professional career with the Virginia Beach Mariners. Cvilikas made 25 appearances in 2010 for the Stars, scoring four goals and assisting on two others.

2011: Has made 10 appearances including 8 starts...came on as a substitute 4/30 against Carolina...came on as a substitute 7/22 against Montreal...started 9/3 against FC Edmonton and scored a first-half goal...scored 9/17 at Tampa Bay...scored game-winner 9/24 at Carolina...



Defender | Ht: 6-0 | Birthdate: 5/6/1988 | Hometown: Litchfield Park, Ariz.

Justin Davis begins his professional career after a standout career at the University of New Mexico. Listed as a defender, the left-footed Davis played every field position during his four years with the Lobos. Davis began his collegiate career as a defender, moving forward each year and completing his career as a striker. In 77 career games for the Lobos, Davis scored 20 goals and had 18 assists.

2011: Has made 26 appearances, including 25 starts...made professional debut 4/30 against Carolina...made first career start 5/14 against Atlanta...scored first career goal 5/18 in 2-0 win against Puerto Rico...played in nine shutouts...



Forward | Ht: 5-9 | Birthdate: 5/21/1986 | Hometown: Valencia, Calif.

Devin Del Do began his professional career with the Stars in 2010 after earning a contract at the inaugural player combine. His 2010 season began with frustration, however, as a knee injury suffered in the team's second game nearly ended his season. He returned, however, as the Stars began their push for a playoff spot, and his two goals in the Stars final home games helped propel them into the postseason.

2011: Has made 27 appearances and 16 starts...scored Stars' only goal in 1-1 tie at Fort Lauderdale 4/15...recorded an assist in 3-0 win over Atlanta 5/14...scored against Puerto Rico 5/18...scored two goals 6/4 against Atlanta...scored tying goal 7/4 against Edmonton...converted during the 5-3 shootout win against Carolina 10/15...



Defender | Ht: 5-8 | Birthdate: 10/31/1981 | Hometown: Irvine, Calif.

Not only a defender, Kevin Friedland is also an assistant coach and assists in business development, a role he sought out during the offseason. Friedland is entering his eighth season in Minnesota as one of the Stars' most recognizable faces. Prior to joining the Minnesota Thunder in 2004, Friedland played for the Kansas City Wizards, who drafted him in the sixth round of the 2003 Major League Soccer SuperDraft out of Southern Methodist University.

2011: Has made 2 appearance...made season debut 8/13 against Tampa Bay...



Midfielder | Ht: 5-10 | Birthdate: 7/12/1983 | Hometown: Harbel, Liberia

Sandy Gbandi and his family moved to Houston in 1989 after the outbreak of the first Liberian Civil War. Gbandi played college soccer at the University of Alabama at Birmingham and was a Supplemental Draft pick of FC Dallas in 2007. He joined the Puerto Rico Islanders a year later, playing 76 league games for the Islanders, as well as playing in Islanders' CONCACAF Champions League campaigns in 2008 and 2009.

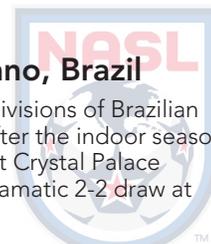
2011: Has made 5 appearances including 2 starts...made his Stars debut 6/18 against Edmonton...made first start of the season 9/6 against Tampa Bay...



Midfielder | Ht: 5-9 | Birthdate: 7/16/1986 | Hometown: Sao Caetano, Brazil

Geison grew up in Sao Paulo suburb Sao Caetano and began his soccer career in the lower divisions of Brazilian soccer. He has since played in Puerto Rico and in the MISL. Geison joined the Stars in 2010 after the indoor season, and made 12 appearances in midfield. He scored the game-winning goal on June 26, 2010, at Crystal Palace Baltimore and scored in stoppage time against AC St. Louis in July as the Stars salvaged a dramatic 2-2 draw at home.

2011: Has made 4 appearances, including one start...assisted game-winning goal 7/9 against Carolina...





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4th place in NASL
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Defender | Ht: 6-0 | Birthdate: 5/4/1985 | Hometown: Winchester, Va.

John Gilkerson joined the Stars in preseason after two seasons with the Carolina RailHawks. Gilkerson, a Winthrop University product, began his professional career in 2008, when the New York Red Bulls selected him in the Major League Soccer Supplemental Draft. He has also played in the Premier Development League and for the Richmond Kickers.

2011: Has made 6 appearances, including 5 starts...made Stars debut with start 4/9 at Atlanta...



Midfielder | Ht: 6-0 | Birthdate: 5/6/1986 | Hometown: Woodbury, Minn.

Andrei Gotsmanov was born behind the Iron Curtain in Minsk, Belarus. Gotsmanov's family moved to Minnesota in 1996 when his father, Sergey, joined the Minnesota Thunder. Gotsmanov grew up in Woodbury, Minn., and played college soccer for Creighton University, where he was a finalist for the 2008 Hermann Trophy. Gotsmanov was the second signing in Stars history, joining on Feb. 17, 2010.

2011: Has made 25 appearances, including 22 starts...scored game winning goal 4/9 with stoppage time free kick against Atlanta...assisted Stars' only goal in 1-1 draw with Fort Lauderdale 4/15...assisted first goal of 2-0 win at Atlanta 6/4...scored winning goal in the 90th minute of semifinal first leg against Carolina on 10/8...scored second playoff goal 10/15 at Carolina...



Forward | Ht: 6-0 | Birthdate: 8/26/1985 | Hometown: Redlands, Calif.

Anthony Hamilton signed with the Stars as a free agent after spending two seasons with the Rochester Rhinos of USL Pro. Hamilton made 47 league appearances for Rochester during his time there, scoring seven goals. Prior to signing for the Rhinos in 2010, Hamilton had spent two seasons with Chivas USA of Major League Soccer and one with the Ventura County Fusion of the Premier Development League.

2011: Has made 5 appearances, including 2 starts...made his Stars debut 9/6 against Tampa Bay, entering the game as a substitute in the 29th minute...made his first start 9/10 against Atlanta...recorded an assist 9/17 against Tampa Bay...



Midfielder | Ht: 5-11 | Birthdate: 12/27/1986 | Hometown: Lombard, Ill.

Illinois native Neil Hlavaty joined the Stars in February 2010 after returning to the United States from an overseas professional stint. After leaving Boston University, Hlavaty played for the Cleveland City Stars in 2008 as they captured the USL-2 championship before playing for two clubs in Europe. In 2010, Hlavaty made 21 appearances for the Stars and scored three goals off the bench, including a memorable winner in the Stars' 3-2 comeback against AC St. Louis.

2011: Has made 27 appearances, including 23 starts...scored goal and provided an assist 5/14 in 3-0 win over Atlanta...scored tying goal 6/18 against Edmonton...scored game-winner 7/22 against Montreal...scored first Stars' goal in 3-1 win at Montreal 8/6...scored against Carolina 10/15 in NASL semifinals...converted during the 5-3 shootout win against Carolina 10/15...



Defender | Ht: 6-0 | Birthdate: 4/23/1984 | Hometown: Woodbury, Minn.

Growing up in Woodbury, Minn., Brian Kallman attended Minnesota Thunder games. Fittingly, the Thunder were his first professional club after his college career, which saw him play at Jacksonville University and Creighton University. Kallman joined the Thunder in 2006 and signed with the Stars in March 2010. He played 15 games for the Stars in their inaugural season as both a center and an outside back.

2011: Has made 13 appearances, including 11 starts...assisted Stars' second goal in 6/4 win at Atlanta...scored with a header 9/6 against Tampa Bay...named NASL Defensive Player of the Week 9/26...played a part in four shutouts...



Midfielder | Ht: 6-3 | Birthdate: 3/25/1989 | Hometown: Erie, Pa.

Andy Lorei joined the Stars in March 2011 after spending 2010 with the Real Maryland Monarchs and Michigan Bucks. Able to play on either wing, Lorei is fast and capable of running at defenders. Lorei played one season at Gannon University but left school early to begin his career at age 19 with the Rochester Rhinos. His time with the Rhinos was cut short, however, by a torn ACL in September 2008.

2011: Has made 4 appearances, including 1 start...made Stars debut as substitute in 4/9 win at Atlanta...started for the first time in 2011 on 9/3 against FC Edmonton...





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Match Notes and Stats

Fort Lauderdale at Minnesota

Saturday, Oct. 22, 2011 | 7:30 p.m. CDT
NSC Stadium | Blaine, Minn.



2011 NASL Regular Season

NSC Minnesota Stars
Record: 9-10-9 (36 pts)
6th place in NASL
Last five: D W W W L

Ft. Lauderdale Strikers
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Defender | Ht: 6-0 | Birthdate: 7/23/1987 | Hometown: Barrington, Ill.

Scott Lorenz began his professional career as a member of the Stars' 2010 roster before moving to Sporting Kansas City of Major League Soccer. Lorenz made one appearance for Sporting's first team, starting in defense in a loss at Chicago, and making several appearances for the club's reserve league squad. Lorenz returned on loan through the rest of the season at the end of July. In September, the Stars ended the loan agreement with Sporting and Lorenz returned to his parent club.

2011: Made 8 appearances, all starts...made first appearance 8/6 in 3-1 win at Montreal...recorded an assist on 9/3 at Edmonton...returned to Kansas City after 9/6 match against Tampa Bay.



Defender | Ht: 6-3 | Birthdate: 6/5/1991 | Hometown: Ajax, Ontario, Canada

Ajax, Ontario, Canada native Gino Mauro joined the Stars midseason after spending time overseas in the lower divisions of the Italian league. Mauro was part of Major League Soccer side Toronto FC's youth side, but signed for AS Pro Belvedere Vercelli, becoming the first player from TFC's youth system to sign a pro contract in a foreign league. Mauro was part of three clubs during his time in Italy. In addition to Belvedere Vercelli, the 6-foot-3 defender was also a member of Derthona and Albese Calcio.

Forward | Ht: 5-7 | Birthdate: 8/7/1988 | Hometown: Preston, England

Luke Mulholland earned USL Pro Rookie of the Year honors in 2011 after scoring nine goals and tallying five assists for the Wilmington Hammerheads. The Stars signed Mulholland as a free agent at the conclusion of the USL Pro season. Mulholland, who can play as an attacking midfielder or a striker, jumped immediately into the lineup, marking his Stars debut with an energetic performance and an assist.

2011: Has made 7 appearances, all starts...made debut 9/6 against Tampa Bay...recorded an assist with a corner kick in the 51st minute...scored winning goal in 10/1 playoff game at Tampa Bay...



Forward | Ht: 5-8 | Birthdate: 8/22/1984 | Hometown: Long Beach, Calif.

Tino Nunez joins the Stars in 2011 after spending 2010 with the Rochester Rhinos, for whom he scored two goals against the Stars on April 28. Prior to his time with the Rhinos, Nunez was a member of Real Salt Lake, who selected him in the 2008 Major League Soccer Supplemental Draft. He played 12 games for RSL, scoring one goal, a 60th minute game winner on June 21, 2008, against the New England Revolution.

2011: Has made 15 appearances, including 8 starts...assisted game-tying goal 4/30 against Carolina...



Midfielder | Ht: 5-8 | Birthdate: 2/8/1986 | Hometown: Buenos Aires, Argentina

Lucas Rodriguez began his professional career with the Stars in 2010, making eight appearances and scoring one goal and providing one assist. He was an all American at MidAmerica Nazarene University and played two seasons in the Premier Development League. Rodriguez played for the Missouri Comets of the Major Indoor Soccer League this past offseason and was named the 2011 MISL rookie of the year.

2011: Has made 25 appearances, including 23 starts...scored goal in 3-0 win 5/14 against Atlanta...recorded an assist 5/18 in 2-0 win against Puerto Rico...scored game-tying goal 8/20 at Carolina...recorded game-winning assist 9/24 at Carolina...scored in NASL semifinal 10/15 against Carolina...converted during the 5-3 shootout win against Carolina 10/15...



Defender | Ht: 6-2 | Birthdate: 5/29/1983 | Hometown: Torrance, Calif.

Currently on loan with FC Dallas of Major League Soccer

After nearly two years recovering from a serious leg injury, Jack Stewart signed for the Stars during the 2011 preseason and assumed a starting role in central defense. He began his professional career in 2005 with the Chicago Fire, who selected him with the 10th overall pick of the 2005 MLS SuperDraft.

2011: Made 15 appearances, all starts...recorded an assist in 3-1 win at Montreal on 8/6...loaned to FC Dallas (MLS) on 8/15...





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Midfielder | Ht: 5-9 | Birthdate: 4/13/1983 | Hometown: Hokuto, Japan

Kentaro Takada began his career in Japan with Thespa Kusatsu and moved to the United States in 2009 to play for the Premier Development League's Rochester Thunder, then serving as a reserve squad for the Minnesota Thunder. In 2010, he joined the Stars, making his debut May 29, 2010. He holds the distinction of having scored the first goal in the history of the modern NASL, converting a Jeff Cosgriff pass in the 57th minute of the Stars' 2-1 win over Atlanta.

2011: Has made 19 appearances, including 16 starts...scored first goal in NASL history in 2-1 win at Atlanta on 4/9...sustained a knee injury 4/26 at Puerto Rico...returned to Stars' lineup 7/4 against Edmonton...



Goalkeeper | Ht: 6-4 | Birthdate: 9/20/1986 | Hometown: Chesapeake, Va.

Matt Van Oekel returns to the Stars in 2011 to continue his professional career in Minnesota. Van Oekel signed for the Minnesota Thunder in 2008 and for the Stars shortly after the season started in 2010. Van Oekel played in six games for the Stars in 2010, making five starts. Van Oekel played college soccer at Rutgers University, where he played in 47 games, winning 20 of them. He has a reputation among his teammates as the best dressed Stars player.

2011: Made start in 2-1 loss at Edmonton 5/23, recording three saves...



Forward | Ht: 6-2 | Birthdate: 12/16/1989 | Hometown: San Diego, Calif.

Amani Walker joins the Stars for 2011 after falling just short of making the team with the Chicago Fire. The University of California-Irvine product scored 27 goals and had 11 assists in 85 collegiate appearances for the Anteaters and was named the 2010 Big West Co-Offensive Player of the Year after scoring 11 goals. He was a two-time all region player during his career with UC-Irvine.

2011: Has made 19 appearances, including 2 starts...made first career start on 6/1 in Puerto Rico...scored first career goal in second-half stoppage time of 1-0 win against Carolina on 7/9...



Goalkeeper | Ht: 6-4 | Birthdate: 10/20/1974 | Hometown: Minneapolis, Minn.

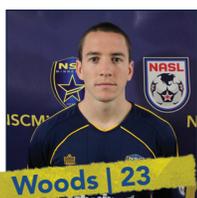
Joe Warren returns between the sticks for the Stars in 2011 after coming out of retirement for the second time. Warren retired from the Minnesota Thunder in 2007 as the club's longest tenured player, but he returned to the professional game in 2010 when he picked up the reigns for the Stars after Louis Crayton's season-ending injury on opening day. Warren saved penalty kicks in three straight games in May.

2011...Has made 30 appearances, all starts...named NASL Defensive Player of the Week on 4/13 for seven-save performance at Atlanta...was named NASL Defensive Player of the Week 7/11 for performance in 1-0 win against Carolina that included a penalty save...has posted 100 saves and 7 shutouts...set Stars single-game save record with nine 9/17 against Tampa Bay...named NASL Defensive Player of the Week 9/19...has recorded nine shutouts...stopped penalty during 5-3 shootout win against Carolina on 10/15 in NASL semifinals...



Midfielder | Ht: 5-9 | Birthdate: 6/15/1984 | Hometown: Colorado Springs, Colo.

Despite tearing his ACL before the Stars' preseason camp opened, Daniel Wasson remains a visible part of the team, taking over the role of kit man for the 2011 season while rehabilitating his knee from surgery. For head coach Manny Lagos, it was important to keep Wasson close to the team, not only for morale, but because Wasson and Lagos were at the same age and stages of their careers upon suffering a torn ACL. Wasson was cleared to play by his doctors on September 9 and returned to the roster.



Midfielder | Ht: 5-7 | Birthdate: 5/16/1988 | Hometown: Preston, England, UK

Ryan Woods was a two-time all American during his college career at Embry Riddle University, where he was a captain for three seasons, scoring 23 goals and tallying 19 assists in 55 career games while majoring in business administration. He begins his professional career with the Stars after signing during the team's preseason training camp. If he weren't playing professional soccer, Woods says he would be an investment banker.

2011...has made 11 appearances, including 5 starts...made professional debut 4/30 against Carolina...made first career start 5/28 against Tampa Bay...

