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CHARLOTTE FC vs LA GALAXY BANK OF AMERICA STADIUM SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2022 7:30PM ET

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VAR: Fotis Bazakos AVAR: Jeff Muschik

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PLAYER AVAILABILITY REPORT

OUT

Vinicius Mello (foot injury)

QUESTIONABLEAnton Walkes

(lower left leg)

SUSPENDED

N/A

2022 CLTFC INAUGURAL SEASON SCHEDULE

DATE OPPONENT TIME(ET)/RESULT TV/RECORD 2/26 at D.C. UNITED 6PM L, 3-0 MLS LIVE ON ESPN+, WS 3/5 LA GALAXY 7:30PM FOX 3/13 at ATLANTA 4:30PM FS1, FOX 3/19 NEW ENGLAND 7PM MLS LIVE ON ESPN+ 3/26 CINCINNATI 6PM UNIMAS, TUDN 4/2 at PHILADELPHIA 7:30PM MLS LIVE on ESPN+	SOC-TV
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1/2 at PHILADELPHIA 7:30PM MLS LIVE on ESPN+	
4/9 ATLANTA 3PM ESPN	
4/16 at NEW ENGLAND 7:30PM MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	
4/23 at COLORADO 9PM MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	
4/30 at ORLANDO 7:30PM MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	
5/7 MIAMI 3:30PM UNIMAS, TUDN	
5/14 MONTREAL 7PM MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	
5/22 VANCOUVER 5PM MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	
5/29 at SEATTLE 9:30PM FS1, FOX DEPORTES	
6/11 RBNY 3PM ABC, ESPN DEPORTES	
6/18 at COLUMBUS 7:30PM MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	
6/25 at MONTREAL 7:30PM MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	
6/30 AUSTIN 7PM MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	
7/3 at HOUSTON 8:30PM MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	
7/9 NASHVILLE 7PM FS1, FOX DEPORTES	
7/16 at INTER MIAMI 8PM MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	
7/23 at TORONTO 7:30PM MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	
7/30 COLUMBUS 7PM MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	
8/3 DC 7PM MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	
8/6 CHICAGO 7PM MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	
8/13 at LAFC 10:30PM MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	
8/17 at NYC TBD MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	
8/21 ORLANDO 7PM MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	
8/27 TORONTO 7PM MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	
9/3 at CINCINNATI 7:30PM MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	
9/10 NYC 7PM MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	
9/17 at CHICAGO 8PM MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	
10/1 PHILADELPHIA 7PM MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	
10/9 AT RBNY TBD MLS LIVE ON ESPN+	

MLS OVERALL: O-1 HOME: O-O AWAY: O-1

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE								
Name	Pronunciation							
Harrison Afful	harrison AW-full							
Jordy Alcivar	yor-dee al-SEE-var							
Adam Armour	adam ar-mer							
Ben Bender	Ben Bender							
Brandt Bronico	brant braw-nih-coh							
Guzman Corujo	gooz-MAWN coh-ROO-ho							
Alan Franco	Alan Franco							
Christian Fuchs	Christian fooks							
McKinze Gaines	mi-kin-zee gains							
Chris Hegardt	Chris hay-gart							
Kristijan Kahlina	chris-tee-yawn kah-LEE-nah							
Jaylin Lindsey	Jaylin Lindsey							
Christian Makoun	Christian mah-koon							
George Marks	George Marks							
Joseph Mora	Joseph mor-ah							
Titi Ortiz	tee-tee or-TEEZ							
Yordy Reyna	yor-dee ray-nah							
Sergio Ruiz	sair-hee-oh ROO-eez							
Vinicius Mello	vin-EE-see-oos mell-oh							
Koa Santos	koh-ah san-tohs							
Pablo Sisniega	Pablo sees-NEE-ay-guh							
Jan Sobocinski	yawn so-boh-CHIN-skee							
Karol Swiderski	care-uhl SWEE-dare-skee							
Anton Walkes	an-tawn walks							
Adrian Zendejas	ah-dree-AHN zen-deh-hahs							

JERSEY INFO



BROADCAST INFORMATION

TV (ENGLISH) - FOX/FOX Deportes

LOCAL RADIO (ENGLISH) - MIX 107.9

TALENT: Will Palasczcuk (play-by-play), Jessica Charman (analyst)

QUOTE SHEET



KAROL SWIDERSKI

On missing the first-ever game due to visa process:

"The VISA process takes time, I understand, but I was very sad that couldn't play in the game. But it's a new week and we have an important game. First-ever game in history in Charlotte, with a full stadium, this is fantastic and I can't wait for the next game.

"I feel really good, I was in Poland for like 9 to 10 days, and I already missed this city and this team. But now I have my visa, I'm here, and I'm so happy."

On the home opener against the LA Galaxy and a capacity crowd:

"They have some fantastic players in front, like Chicharito and Douglas Costa, it will be a difficult game but we are playing with our fans, in our stadium, in our home so I hope we can get a good result.

"I have never played for 70 to 75 thousand people, this will be an unbelievable feeling. We can't for this game, we talk about it all the time in the dressing room, having more than 70,000 people behind you is very special."



MIGUEL ÁNGEL RAMÍREZ

On the first-ever game against D.C. United:

"I would have liked to have had a final score line that was more fair. But especially in the first part of the first half and large portions of the second, I was really enjoying the game and I felt really proud of what I was watching, especially knowing that we are just starting out.

"We were arriving in the final third more and better than them [D.C. United]. But they converted their chances and we didn't. Those are the areas where you have to make a difference in order to win the match.

On the support of the fans at D.C. & home opener against the LA Galaxy:

"Amazing... Thank you [the fans], thank you all that came to support us. We felt your energy and we need you. We need you. It's still the beginning and as I said before it will be difficult. But it will be easier with the help of our supporters of course.

"I would like to go outside and tell them personally just how much I appreciate them. We have felt them and that we are so excited to see them again next Saturday to hopefully give them a victory."

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2022 CLTFC STARTING LINEUPS

DATE OPPONENT LINEUP

 2/26
 at D.C. United

 3/5
 LA Galaxy

 3/13
 at Atlanta

 3/19
 New England

 3/26
 Cincinnati

 4/2
 at Philadelphia

 4/9
 Atlanta

 4/16
 at New England

 4/23
 at Colorado

 5/7
 Miami

 5/14
 Montreal

 5/29
 at Seattle

 6/11
 RBNY

 6/18
 at Columbus

 6/25
 at Montreal

 6/30
 Austin

 7/9
 Nashville

 7/16
 at Inter Miami

 7/23
 at Toronto

 7/30
 Columbus

 8/3
 D.C.

 8/6
 Chicago

 8/13
 at LAFC

 8/17
 at NYC

 8/21
 Orlando

 8/27
 Toronto

GK Kahlina DF Lindsey DF Corujo DF Makoun DF Fuchs DF Mora MF Bronico MF Franco F Gaines F Ortiz F Reyna

CHARLOTTE FC ROSTER STATISTICS

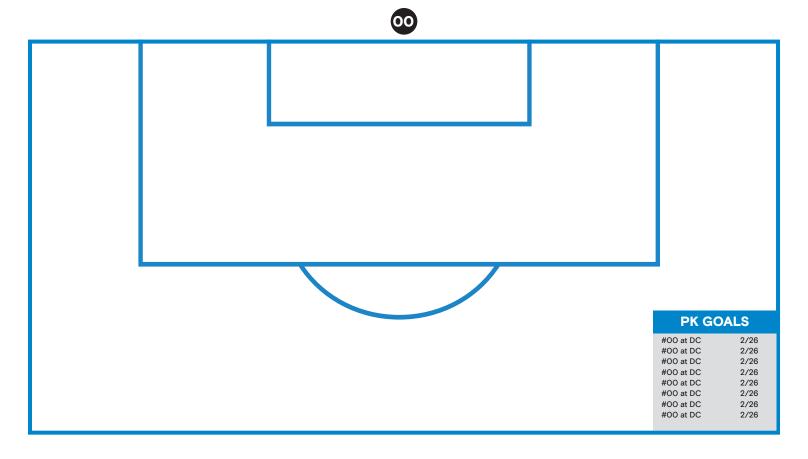
2022

Position	Name	GP	GS	MIN	G	Α	SH	SOG	YC	RC
D	Harrison Afful	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
M	Jordy Alcivar	1	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	Ο
D	Adam Armour	1	0	4	0	0	1	1	0	0
M	Ben Bender	1	0	12	0	0	1	0	0	Ο
M	Brandt Bronico	1	1	78	0	0	0	0	0	0
D	Guzman Corujo	1	1	90	0	0	1	0	0	0
M	Alan Franco	1	1	90	0	0	2	0	0	0
D	Christian Fuchs	1	1	90	0	0	2	1	0	0
F	McKinze Gaines	1	1	66	0	0	2	2	0	0
M	Chris Hegardt	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
D	Jaylin Lindsey	1	1	90	0	0	0	0	0	0
D	Christian Makoun	1	1	90	0	0	0	0	0	0
D	Joseph Mora	1	1	86	0	0	0	0	0	0
M	Titi Ortiz	1	1	86	0	0	2	1	1	Ο
F	Yordy Reyna	1	1	79	0	0	0	0	0	0
M	Sergio Ruiz	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Ο
F	Daniel Rios	1	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0
F	Vinicius Mello	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Ο
D	Koa Santos	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D	Jan Sobocinski	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
F	Karol Swiderski	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
D	Anton Walkes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Position	Name	GP	GS	MIN	GA	GAA	W-L-T			
GK	Kristijan Kahlina	1	1	90	3	3	0-1-0			
GK	George Marks	0	0	0	0	0				
GK	Pablo Sisniega	0	0	0	0	0				
GK	Adrian Zendejas	0	0	0	0	0				

CLTFC MLS GOALS BREAKDOWN

PLAYER	TOTAL	RF	LF	Н	PK	FK
Player Name	0	0	0	0	0	0
Player Name	0	0	0	0	0	0
Player Name	0	0	0	0	0	0
Player Name	0	0	0	0	0	0
Player Name	0	0	0	0	0	0
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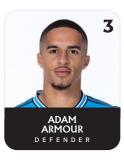
CHARLOTTE FC GOAL CHART



HEADSHOTS

















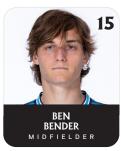




















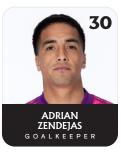
















ROSTER

ALPHABETICAL

LAST	FIRST	NO.	POS.	HT	DOB (AGE)	ROSTER CATEGORY	PLAYER CATEGORY
Afful	Harrison	25	Defender	5'7	7/24/1986 (35)	Senior	
Alcívar	Jordy	8	Midfielder	5'8	8/5/1999 (22)	Senior	International, Young Designated Player
Armour	Adam	3	Defender	5'9	9/27/2002 (19)	Supplemental Slots 25-28	
Bender	Ben	15	Midfielder	6'0	3/7/2001 (20)	Supplemental Slots 21-24	Generation Adidas
Bronico	Brandt	13	Midfielder	5'9	6/20/1995 (26)	Senior	
Corujo	Guzman	4	Defender	6'2	8/2/1996 (25)	Senior	International
Franco	Alan	21	Midfielder	5'8	8/21/1998 (23)	Senior	International
Fuchs	Christian	22	Defender	6'2	4/7/1986 (35)	Senior	
Gaines	McKinze	17	Forward	5'11	3/2/1998 (23)	Senior	
Hegardt	Chris	19	Midfielder	5'9	1/6/2002 (20)	Supplemental Slots 25-28	Homegrown
Kahlina	Kristijan	1	Goalkeeper	6'2	7/24/1992 (29)	Senior	International
Lindsey	Jaylin	24	Defender	5'10	3/27/2000 (21)	Supplemental Slots 29-30	Homegrown
Makoun	Christian	14	Defender	6'1	3/5/2000 (21)	Senior	U22 Initiative
Marks	George	31	Goalkeeper	6'1	11/10/1999 (22)	Signed	
Mellow	Vini	9	Forward	5'11	8/19/2002 (19)	Senior	International, U22 Initiative
Mora	Joseph	28	Defender	5'9	1/15/1993 (29)	Senior	
Ortíz	Titi	10	Forward	5'6	8/20/1992 (29)	Senior	International
Reyna	Yordy	26	Forward	5'7	9/17/1993 (28)	Senior	International
Rios	Daniel	12	Forward	6'1	2/22/1995 (27)	Senior	International
Ruiz	Sergio	6	Midfielder	5'7	12/16/1994 (27)	Senior	International
Santos	Koa	36	Defender	5'10	9/21/1999 (22)	Signed	
Sisniega	Pablo	23	Goalkeeper	6'3	7/7/1995 (26)	Senior	
Sobociński	Jan	2	Defender	5'11	3/20/1999 (22)	Senior	International
Swiderski	Karol	11	Forward	6'0	1/23/1997 (25)	Senior	International, Designated Player
Walkes	Anton	5	Defender	6'2	2/8/1997 (25)	Senior	International
Zendejas	Adrian	30	Goalkeeper	6'5	8/30/1995 (26)	Supplemental Slots 21-24	

NUMERICAL

NO.	FIRST	LAST	POS.	HT	DOB (AGE)	ROSTER CATEGORY	PLAYER CATEGORY
	Kristijan	Kahlina	Goalkeeper	6'2	7/24/1992 (29)	Senior	International
2	Jan	Sobociński	Defender	5'11	3/20/1999 (22)	Senior	International
3	Adam	Armour	Defender	5'9	9/27/2002 (19)	Supplemental Slots 25-28	
4	Guzman	Corujo	Defender	6'2	8/2/1996 (25)	Senior	International
5	Anton	Walkes	Defender	6'2	2/8/1997 (25)	Senior	International
3	Sergio	Ruiz	Midfielder	5'7	12/16/1994 (27)	Senior	International
3	Jordy	Alcívar	Midfielder	5'8	8/5/1999 (22)	Senior	International, Young Designated Playe
9	Vini	Mellow	Forward	5'11	8/19/2002 (19)	Senior	International, U22 Initiative
10	Titi	Ortíz	Forward	5'6	8/20/1992 (29)	Senior	International
11	Karol	Swiderski	Forward	6'0	1/23/1997 (25)	Senior	International, Designated Player
12	Daniel	Rios	Forward	6'1	2/22/1995 (27)	Senior	International
13	Brandt	Bronico	Midfielder	5'9	6/20/1995 (26)	Senior	
14	Christian	Makoun	Defender	6'1	3/5/2000 (21)	Senior	U22 Initiative
15	Ben	Bender	Midfielder	6'0	3/7/2001 (20)	Supplemental Slots 21-24	Generation Adidas
17	McKinze	Gaines	Forward	5'11	3/2/1998 (23)	Senior	
19	Chris	Hegardt	Midfielder	5'9	1/6/2002 (20)	Supplemental Slots 25-28	Homegrown
21	Alan	Franco	Midfielder	5'8	8/21/1998 (23)	Senior	International
22	Christian	Fuchs	Defender	6'2	4/7/1986 (35)	Senior	
23	Pablo	Sisniega	Goalkeeper	6'3	7/7/1995 (26)	Senior	
24	Jaylin	Lindsey	Defender	5'10	3/27/2000 (21)	Supplemental Slots 29-30	Homegrown
25	Harrison	Afful	Defender	5'7	7/24/1986 (35)	Senior	
26	Yordy	Reyna	Forward	5'7	9/17/1993 (28)	Senior	International
28	Joseph	Mora	Defender	5'9	1/15/1993 (29)	Senior	
30	Adrian	Zendejas	Goalkeeper	6'5	8/30/1995 (26)	Supplemental Slots 21-24	
31	George	Marks	Goalkeeper	6'1	11/10/1999 (22)	Signed	

2022 TECHNICAL STAFF

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ASST COACH

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ASST ATHLETIC TRAINER

Baker Cronin

TEAM ADMIN

Spencer Regier

PLAYER LIASON

Elena Lemus

2022 FIRST TEAM



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ADAM ARMOUR @AEARMOUR

General: Charlotte FC acquired Armour in June 2021. The Cary native played with the U.S. U-17 Men's National Team roster for the 2019 FIFA U-17

World Cup in Brazil and the 2019 Concacaf U-17 Championship. The 18-year-old played a total of 19 games with the team.

Born to parents from Dominica and Jamaica, the U.S. youth international signed with the German second division FC Nürnberg in the fall of 2020 before returning to his home state with CLTFC.



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ADRIAN ZENDEJAS @MRZ3ND

General: Charlotte FC signed Adrian Zendejas as a free agent. Zendejas made 54 total appearances for Swope Park Rangers,

Sporting KC's USL Championship affiliate after joining the club in 2016. He made his SKC debut in the 2018 U.S. Open Cup, starting in victories over Real Salt Lake and FC Dallas and went on to make five total appearances.

Zendejas has also spent time on MLS rosters at Nashville SC and Minnesota United FC. The latter loaned the California native to El Paso Locomotive FC of the USL Championship in 2021, where he immediately started three games and kept three clean sheets.



21

ALAN FRANCO
@ALAN_FRANCO21

General:Charlotte FC
acquired Alan Franco
on loan from Atlético
Mineiro with an option to
purchase. Franco reunites
with head coach Miguel

Ángel Ramírez in Charlotte. The midfielder was an instrumental part of Ramírez's Independiente del Valle squad that triumphed in the 2019 Copa Sudamericana, starting all 11 matches and adding two goals in the tournament.

Franco has 18 caps and one goal for the Ecuadorian

National Team, including appearances in nine out of 14 games during the current CONMEBOL World Cup Qualification cycle. Ecuador currently sit in third place and an automatic qualification spot with four games remaining.

The Ecuadorian debuted for his boyhood club, Independiente del Valle, as a 17-year-old in 2016, going on to make 75 appearances with five goals and six assists.

After his success at Independiente, Franco moved to Atlético Mineiro in Brazil's first division in 2020. Across two seasons he accumulated 47 appearances while scoring three goals.



5

ANTON WALKES @ANTONWALKES

General: Charlotte FC acquired Walkes from Atlanta United in the 2O21 MLS Expansion Draft. In 2O21, Walkes had a career year with Atlanta United,

starting 32 games with two goals and two assists. The versatile defender came through the Tottenham Hotspur academy, originally going on loan to Atlanta in 2017 before joining Portsmouth in 2018. In 2020, Atlanta acquired the center back permanently and in three total seasons with the club, he compiled 71 appearances with 65 starts, four goals, and three assists.



15

BEN BENDER

General: Charlotte FC drafted Bender 1st overall in the 2022 MLS SuperDraft. Bender finished his sophomore season with seven goals and five assists in 18 appearances, leading

his team to a 12-4-2 overall record. The midfielder was named a United Soccer Coaches First Team All-American and the Big Ten Midfielder of the Year. He was one of eight elite collegiate underclassmen signed to a Generation adidas contract.



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BRANDT BRONICO @BRONIBRO13

General: Charlotte FC acquired Bronico from the Chicago Fire in exchange for swapping fourth-round

picks in the 2022 MLS SuperDraft. Bronico joined Charlotte FC after four seasons (2017-20) with the Chicago Fire. A fan favorite in Chicago, Bronico made 66 appearances, including 40 starts, notching two goals and eight assists in his four seasons with the Fire. Bronico joined Chicago as a third-round choice (47th overall) in the 2017 SuperDraft.

Bronico played collegiately for the Charlotte 49ers from 2013-16, scoring 25 goals and adding 23assists. As a senior in 2016, Bronico was named the Conference USA Player of the Year and second-team All-America after scoring nine goals, including four game-winners.

A native of High Point, N.C., Bronico played on youth teams for NC Fusion and Carolina Dynamo.



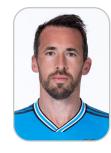
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CHRIS HEGARDT @CRHEGARDT_

General:Charlotte FC acquired Hegardt and his Homegrown Priority from the Seattle Sounders for \$50,000 in GAM. Hegardt played 31 games for

Georgetown across two seasons where he scored three goals and added six assists. The Hoyas won the 2021 BIG EAST Conference Tournament and earned the number three overall seed in the 2021 NCAA Tournament before falling in the Final Four.

Prior to his time at Georgetown, the San Diego native was part of the Seattle Sounders' academy where he won the 2019 Generation adidas Cup. Hegardt made his professional debut with the Sounders' USL affiliate, Tacoma Defiance, in 2019 and went on to play 17 games overall.



22

CHRISTIAN FUCHS @FUCHS_OFFICIAL

General: Charlotte FC
acquired Fuchs from
Premier League side
Leicester City. The former
Austrian national team

captain won the 2015-16 Premier League title and the 2020-21 English FA Cup. Fuchs played for Bundesliga's Bochum, Mainz and Schalke before joining Leicester City in 2015. Throughout his six years at City, the 35-year-old made 152 appearances and excelled in the UEFA Champions League as the team reached the last-eight during their campaign at Europe's highest level.

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14
CHRISTIAN
MAKOUN
@CHRISTIANMAKOUN

General: Charlotte FC acquired Makoun from Inter Miami in exchange for the No. 1 Allocation Ranking spot. As a teenager,

Makoun signed as Miami's third-ever player ahead of their debut 2020 season. He then had a breakout season in 2021, playing in 26 games with 23 starts and two goals.

The center back has begun to break through with the Venezuelan national team and has been called up to the senior squad for multiple World Cup Qualifiers this cycle. Makoun has been named as a substitute in Venezuela's last five CONMEBOL World Cup Qualifiers but has yet to make his senior debut.

As a 17-year-old, he played for the Venezuela U-2Os with two appearances at the 2017 U-2O World Cup. Two years later, he captained the side for all nine games at the 2019 U-2O South American Championship.

Makoun's youth development began in the Zamora FC academy in his native Venezuela. He made 34 total senior appearances for his boyhood club on either side of a 2018 loan to Italian giant Juventus, where he amassed experience across their youth teams. George Marks – Charlotte FC drafted Marks in the third round of the 2022 MLS SuperDraft



31
GEORGE MARKS
@GEORGEMARKS_24

General: - Charlotte FC drafted Marks in the third round of the 2022 MLS SuperDraft. Marks was a three-year full-time starter for at Clemson

University, leading them to the 2021 NCAA National Championship in his senior year. He recorded 47 wins, 21 shutouts, and 6,031 minutes for the Tigers, all good for 3rd all-time in program history. The Raleigh, North Carolina native attended two U-20 U.S. National Team Camps and was a member for the North Carolina FC Youth Academy.



GUZMAN CORUJO @CORUJOGUZMAN

General: Charlotte FC acquired Corujo from his hometown club Nacional in Uruguay. The 25-year-old center back has played

over 100 matches for Nacional since debuting as a professional for the Uruguayan club in 2017. A two-time champion of Uruguay's Primera Divisiónin 2019 and 2020, Corujo featured 22 times forNacional in the Copa Libertadores, the top continental club competition in South America.



25
HARRISON
AFFUL
@KINGHARRISON25

General: Charlotte
FC acquired longtime
Columbus Crew defender
Afful as a free agent. The
35-year-old right back was

a stalwart for the Columbus Crew for seven years, starting at least 20 matches in each of the last six seasons. Afful has played in 164 regular season matches and contributed six goals with 18 assists. In addition, the Ghanaian has 17 playoff appearances including an MLS Cup title with Columbus in 2020 where he played all 90 minutes in a 3-0 win over the Seattle Sounders.

Afful has earned 83 caps for his country and started two of Ghana's three group stage games at the 2014 World Cup, registering an assist against Germany. The right back has featured in three World Cup Qualifying cycles and five Africa Cup of Nations tournaments. Prior to playing in Major League Soccer, Afful came through the academy at Ghanaian club Fetteh Feyenoord. He spent two years with the Feyenoord senior team before going on loan for a further two years to another Ghanaian club, Asante Kotoko.

After four years of professional soccer in Ghana, Afful left his home country to join Esperance Tunis of the Tunisian first division. He spent six seasons with Tunis and racked up almost 180 appearances and won four league titles. While in Tunisia, he played 52times in the CAF Champions League and led ES Tunis to the 2011 title which earned the Club a berth in the 2012 FIFA Club World Cup



JAN SOBOCINSKI @JANSOBOCINSKI

General: Charlotte FC acquired Sobocinski from LKS Lodz in his native Poland. Sobociński, a leftfooted central defender,

represented his country in the 2019 U-20 World Cup. Sobociński joined the youth ranks at Łódź in 2015, and was loaned to Polish third-division side Gryf Wejherowo for first-team experience in 2017-18. Upon returning to Łódź the following season, he became a first-team regular. Sobociński has recorded a total of 165 professional appearances with 12 goals. He has represented Poland at youth level 16 times, most recently in the U21 team.



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JAYLIN LINDSEY

@JAYLINLINDSEY

General: Charlotte FC acquired Charlotte native Jaylin Lindsey, along with his Homegrown rights, from Sporting Kansas City for \$100,000 in GAM with

\$225,000 GAM in performance-based incentives. Lindsey made 34 MLS appearances with 27 starts for Sporting KC over 4 years. An experienced U.S. youth international, Lindsey racked up 31 appearances for the U-17 national team along with appearances for both the U-15 and U-20 teams.

In 2017, defender was named to the CONCACAF U-17 Championship Best XI as the U.S. qualified for the 2017 FIFA U-17 World Cup. There, Lindsey started and played 90 minutes in all three group stages games before an injury ruled him out of the knockout rounds as the U.S. eventually fell in the Quarterfinals.

Before joining the Sporting Kansas City academy in 2015, Lindsey played for local youth club Charlotte Soccer Academy.

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JORDY ALCIVAR

@JORDY_ALCIVAR13

General: - Alcívar played 83 times for his boyhood club LDU Quito, scoring five goals and contributing six assists. He started all six matches in LDU's Copa

Libertadores campaign this season and scored a brace during second leg of the club's Round of 16 Copa Sudamericana fixture against Gremio to put his side through on aggregate against the Brazilians.

Alcívar was key to Ecuador's youth national team success over the course of the 2019 season. The midfielder made four appearances for the title winning U-20s at the South American Championships which qualified Ecuador to the 2019 FIFA U-20 World Cup

A third-place finish was on the cards for Ecuador in that competition, the country's best finish at a U-20 World Cup. Alcívar played six matches and put in a 112 minute shift in the third-place playoff against Italy, a 1-0 win for Ecuador.



later that summer.

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JOSEPH MORA

@JOSEPH_MORACR

General: Charlotte FC acquired Mora from D.C. United in the 2021 Expansion Draft. Mora spent four years with D.C. United, registering four assists in 99

appearances and 83 starts for the Black-and-Red. The left back also played extensively for Costa Rican youth national teams, featuring at the 2009 FIFA U17 World Cup and 2011 FIFA U20 World Cup, and now has four caps for the senior national team. Mora counts as a domestic player.



KAROL SWIDERSKI @SWIDER9

General: Charlotte FC signed Świderski as the Club's first-ever Designated Player from PAOK. Świderski, who

broke through with the Polish national team in 2021 and earned a spot on their roster for last summer's European Championship, joined PAOK in 2018 and scored 35 goals in 135 appearances while adding 14 assists. In Greece, Świderski won three trophies including the 2018–19 Super League Greece and two Greek Cups.

The 25-year-old striker made his debut for Poland in March 2021 where he scored off the bench in a 3-0 World Cup Qualifier win against Andorra. Świderski would go on to make nine total appearances during the qualifying campaign, netting five goals en route to helping Poland to a second-place finish in Group I. With the second-place finish, Świderski and Poland will enter the UEFA World Cup Qualifying Playoffs in March to try and book their spot in the 2022 World Cup.

Świderski played in all three matches for Poland during last summer's EURO 2020 which included starting in tandem with 2021 Ballon d'Or Striker of the Year, Robert Lewandowski, during a 1-1 draw against Spain.

The striker began his career in his native Poland when he signed his first professional contract with Jagiellonia Biallystok. He would score 25 goals in 128 appearances for Jagiellonia before being bought by PAOK.



KRISTIJAN KAHLINA @KAHLINA_K

General: CharlotteFCacquiredKahlinafromBulgarianchampionsLudogoretsRazgrad.The29-year-oldgoalkeeper

made 36 appearances across all competitions keeping 13 clean sheets over his year-and-a-half spell with Ludogorets. He joined at the end of the 2020-2021 season, starting the club's final five league matches and helped wrap up Ludogorets' tenth consecutive Bulgarian title.

Prior to his move to Charlotte, the Croatian started 10 league matches this season and featured in Champions League qualifying rounds and the Europa League group stage.

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MCKINZE GAINES @MCKINZE

General: Charlotte FC acquired Gaines from Austin FC in the 2021 MLS Expansion Draft. In 2021 for Austin FC, McKinze Gaines

appeared in nine games with one start and one goal. Before arriving in Austin, the young forward spent the 2020-2021 season with German 2. Bundesliga side Hannover 96 and Regionalliga's Hannover 96 II, where he made nine starts and scored one goal.



PABLO SISNIEGA

@PABLOSISNIEGA

General: Charlotte FC acquired Sisniega from LAFC for \$50,000 in GAM with an additional \$50,000 in performance-based incentives. The 26-year-

old Real Sociedad product joined LAFC in 2019 and made 32 appearances for the club over three seasons, including eight starts with one shutout in 2021. After coming through the La Liga side's academy, Sisniega made his debut for Real Sociedad B in 2014 as a 19-year-old. He would go on to make 38 starts and keep 14 clean sheets in the Segunda Division B.



SERGIO RUIZ @ SERGIO.RUIZ. ALONSO

General: Charlotte FC acquired Ruiz as the Club's first-ever signing from Spanish second-division side Racing Santander,

whom he represented as captain. Ruiz represented Racing in the past three seasons, after graduating from its reserve team in 2016. His six goals and seven assists in the 2018-19 campaign helped earn Racing promotion to the Spanish Second Division.

Ruiz spent 2021 on loan with Las Palmas in the Spanish Second Division.



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TITI ORTIZ
@CRISTIANORTIZ_20

General: Charlotte FC acquired Ortíz on loan from Club Tijuana with an option to purchase. Ortíz, who goes by "Titi", joined Independiente del Valle in

early 2020 and played 31 games for CLTFC head coach Miguel Ángel Ramírez. He scored nine goals and added six assists for the Ecuadorian club that season across the domestic league and Copa Libertadores. He went on to score 19 goals total for IDV before earning a move to Tijuana.

Ortíz has played in Argentina, Uruguay, Peru, Ecuador and Mexico across his career. He made his first major impact in senior football at Racing Club de Montevideo in the Uruguayan Primera Division where he broke through as a teenager and scored six goals across 37 games.

He then signed for Club Atlético Independiente

where he was sent on loan for a pair of spells in Peru. For Universidad de San Martín de Porres he scored 27 goals and contributed 10 assists over 58 appearances. For 20-time Peruvian champion Sporting Cristal, he made 82 appearances with 19 goals and 17 assists.



YINI MELLO

@VINI_MELLO02

General:The Internacional academy product debuted for the senior team in February 2021 by starting and playing 72 minutes in a 1-0 victory against

Juventude in the Campeonato Gaúcho. Shortly after making his senior debut, Mello began working under the leadership of current CLTFC head coach Miguel Ángel Ramírez.

Mello played 13 times for Internacional in 2021, including 8 matches in Serie A and 3 in the prestigious Copa Libertadores. Since 2020, the young Brazilian played in 28 games for the Internacional U2O side, scoring 15 goals. He first played for the U2Os as a 16-year-old in 2019.



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YORDY REYNA @YORDYREYNA26

General: Charlotte FC acquired Reyna as a free agent. The 28-year-old Peruvian international has spent the last six seasons in Major League Soccer

between the Vancouver Whitecaps and D.C. United. Reyna has played 100 regular season matches where he has added 24 goals and 19 assists.

Reyna has earned 28 caps for his country and featured in two World Cup qualifying cycles. He also played in the 2015 Copa America, where he started for Peru in a 2-O victory over Paraguay in the Third Place Play-Off.

Prior to playing in Major League Soccer, Reyna came through the Alianza Lima academy where he would go on to make 22 appearances in the Peruvian top flight. His play there and with the Peruvian U-2O team caught the eye of Red Bull Salzburg who signed him in 2013. Reyna played 41 times in the Austrian Bundesliga between RB Salzburg and a loan stint at

SV Grödig, totaling 14 goals and 8 assists.

Reyna also got a taste of European football in Austria, playing in the UEFA Champions League Qualifying stages and the Europa League for RB Salzburg.



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KOA SANTOS

General: Charlotte FC signed Santos following a successful preseason trial with the Club. Over four years for San Diego State University, Santos appeared

in 58 games with 40 starts in the Pac-12, one of the premier NCAA Division I men's soccer conferences. He also led the Portland Timbers U23s to the 2021 Western Conference Championship in USL League Two, starting 10 of 11 games with two goals and three assists.

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MIGUEL ANGEL RAMIREZ



BIRTHPLACE: Las Palmas TITLE: Head Coach PREVIOUS CLUBS COACHED: Internacional, Independiente del Valle, Qatar national soccer teams

Ramírez, 36, joins Charlotte FC after coaching Brazilian club Porto Alegre Internacional in 2021, part of Brazil's top-flight Série A league.

Prior to Internacional, Ramírez led the Ecuadorian club, Independiente del Valle for two seasons (2019-2020), capturing a Copa Sudamericana title just months into his first head coaching job in 2019.

Considered the second-most prestigious international competition in all of South America pitting many of the top clubs on the continent, the Copa Sudamericana tournament win was the first international title in Independiente's history, a significant accomplishment for a manager in his first true head coaching opportunity.

Ramírez' talent for player development was ingrained in all of that 2019 season's success in Ecuador. He had coached the club's youth team in 2018 and 2019, instilling the winning attitude that eventually led to the international win.

A native of Las Palmas, Spain, Ramírez began to train as coach in the lower categories of the Union Deportiva Las Palmas and Deportivo Alaves, in Spain. He moved to Greece in 2011 with AEK FC, Panathinaikos and Olympiacos. Ramirez also spent six years at the Aspire Academy in Doha, Qatar, where he coached the Under-12, Under-13, Under-16 and Under-17 sides. He also served as head coach of the Under-17 and Under -14 Qatar national soccer teams and was assistant coach for the Under-19 side.



CHRISTIAN LATTANZIO ASSISTANT COACH

General: Born in Italy, he served as the assistant coach for New York City FC from 2016-2018 and Technical Coordinator for Manchester City's Elite Development Squad.



MIKEL ANTIA ASSISTANT COACH

General: The 49-year-old joins the new MLS expansion team from professional Chinese football club Dalian Pro F.C., where he served as assistant from 2019-2021.



ANDY QUY
GOALKEEPER COACH

General: Quy, who spent over a decade with Stoke City during their spell in the Premier League, joins the Club with a decorated list of former goalkeepers who studied under his wing.

MLS GAME 1



SCORING SUMMARY

CLT - N/A

DC - Estrada (37', 45+6'), Kamara (65')

DISCIPLINARY SYMMARY

CLT - Ortiz (YC 26') DC - Najar (YC 15'), Estrada (YC 42'), Hines-Ike (YC 85'), Perez (YC 87')

REFEREES

Referee: Victor Rivas Assistants: Jason White, Gianni Facchini

4th Official: Eric Tattersall **STATS**

	SH	SOG	FOUL	OFF	CK	sv
CLT	0	0	0	0	0	0
DC	0	0	0	0	0	0

MLS GAME 2



SCORING SUMMARY

CLT -LAG-

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DISCIPLINARY SYMMARY

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REFEREES

Referee: Firstname Lastname

Assistants: Firstname Lastname, Firstname Lastname,

Firstname Lastname,

STATS

	SH	SOG	FOUL	OFF	CK	sv
CLT	0	0	0	0	0	0
LAG	0	0	0	0	0	0

MLS GAME 3



SCORING SUMMARY

CLT -

ATL -

DISCIPLINARY SYMMARY

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REFEREES

Referee: Firstname Lastname

Assistants: Firstname Lastname, Firstname Lastname Firstname Lastname,

STATS

	SH	SOG	FOUL	OFF	CK	sv
CLT	0	0	0	0	0	0
ATL	0	0	0	0	0	0

MLS GAME 4



SCORING SUMMARY

CLT -NF-

DISCIPLINARY SYMMARY

CLT -NE-

REFEREES

Referee: Firstname Lastname

Assistants: Firstname Lastname, Firstname Lastname, Firstname Lastname,

STATS

	SH	SOG	FOUL	OFF	CK	sv
CLT	0	0	0	0	0	0
NE	0	0	0	0	0	0

MLS GAME 5



SCORING SUMMARY

CLT -CIN -

DISCIPLINARY SYMMARY

CLT -CIN -

REFEREES

Referee: Firstname Lastname

Assistants: Firstname Lastname, Firstname Lastname, Firstname Lastname,

STATS

	SH	sog	FOUL	OFF	CK	SV
CLT	0	0	0	0	0	0
CIN	0	0	0	0	0	0

MLS GAME 6



SCORING SUMMARY

CLT -PHI -

DISCIPLINARY SYMMARY

CLT -PHI -

REFEREES

Referee: Firstname Lastname

Assistants: Firstname Lastname, Firstname Lastname, Firstname Lastname,

STATS

	SH	SOG	FOUL	OFF	CK	sv
CLT	0	0	0	0	0	0
PHI	0	0	0	0	0	0

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