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PITTSBURGH RIVERHOUNDS SC (2-2-5) vs. BIRMINGHAM LEGION FC (5-4-1)

Saturday, May 13 >> 7 p.m. ET >> Highmark Stadium >> Pittsburgh, Pa. TV: Pittsburgh's CW (WPCW-19) >> Streaming: CW (local) and ESPN+ (national)

INSIDE THE MATCH





PITTSBURGH BIRMINGHAM 2-5 Record 5-4-1

1-2-2 D2 Bob Lilley @RiverhoundsSC	Last Five Streak Head Coach Twitter	2-3-(L2 Tom Soehi @bhmlegioi
All-Time Head-to-	Head	4.1.
Referee		
Assistant referees		
Fourth official		
Hounds injuries/ir	nactives OUT - D	ani Rovira (knee

STAT COMPARISON

Hounds	Category	Birmingham
1.11	Scoring Average	1.50
1.00	Opponent Scoring Average	1.80
10	Goals Scored	15
9	Goals Allowed	18
+1	Goal Differential	-3
8.00	Shots/Game (excl. blocked)	8.00
3.44	SOG/Game	4.10
42%	Average possession	46%
20	Yellow Cards	26
2	Red Cards	1

TEAM LEADERS

Hounds	Category	Birmingham
Albert Dikwa, 7	Goals	Enzo Martinez, 5
Luke Biasi, 2	Assists	Prosper Kasim, 3
Albert Dikwa, 14	Points	Enzo Martinez, 12
Albert Dikwa, 21	Shots	Enzo Martinez, 14
Albert Dikwa, 797	Minutes	Anderson Asiedu, 899
L.Biasi/N.Dossantos, 3	Yellow Cards	Three tied, 4
R.Mertz/A.Ordóñez, 1	Red Cards	Phanuel Kavita, 1
Jahmali Waite, 1.00	GAA Tr	evor Spangenberg, 1.66
Jahmali Waite, .500	SV% Tr	evor Spangenberg, .667
*minimum 3 games to qualify	for GK stats	

GAME 10 - QUICK STRIKES

- The Hounds play their first repeat opponent of the 2023 season when they host Birmingham, the team they visited March 11 for this year's season opener.
- The past two meetings between the teams have gone down as draws — the 1-1 result to open this season, and last year's Eastern Conference Quarterfinal, which ended 2-2 before the Hounds advanced on penalty kicks.
- Both teams advanced this week to the Round of 16 in the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup, making them the only USL Championship teams to do so. The Hounds knocked off the New England Revolution, 1-0, on Tuesday at Gillette Stadium, while Birmingham beat Memphis 901 FC at home on Wednesday by a 3-0 score.
- Danny Griffin made a splash in only his second match since rejoining the Hounds, scoring the winning goal in the Open Cup win over New England. The Connecticut-raised midfielder was reacquired May 3 by the Hounds in a transfer from Huntsville City FC of MLS Next Pro, and his durability remains unmatched with 91 consecutive appearances in league matches since he turned pro in 2020.
- Second-year midfielder Marc Ybarra recorded his first pro assist by setting up Griffin's goal at New England. The Michigan alum was outstanding in the victory, connecting on 58 of 71 passes (86.2 percent) and winning possession a teamleading 10 times.
- Albert Dikwa netted his sixth and seventh goals of the year
 in last week's draw at Monterey Bay, moving him into a tie for
 the league lead with former Hounds teammate Alex Dixon.
 The Cameroonian striker's two-goal performance also earned a
 spot on this week's USL Championship Team of the Week.
- Goalkeeper Jahmali Waite has started eight of the team's nine league matches thus far, missing only the home opener vs.
 Miami while playing for Jamaica in their March 26 match at Mexico. Waite has two clean sheets in USL play, but he added a third to his personal total on Tuesday in the Open Cup.
- Edward Kizza scored the go-ahead goal in the Hounds'
 Open Cup win against the Maryland Bobcats on April 25. The
 striker's last three goals for the team all have come in knockout
 matches two in last year's Eastern Conference Quarterfinal
 win at Birmingham and his goal against Maryland.
- In 174 matches played under Bob Lilley in all competitions, the Hounds are 87-37-50 and have allowed just 164 goals, an average of 0.94 goals per game.

SUPERLATIVES

Hounds High 3 (3/18 at Memphis)	Hounds Low 0 (three times)	Category Goals	Opp High 3 (two times)	Opp Low 0 (4/15 at Loudoun)
2 (two times)	0 (two times)	Goals All.	4 (5/6 vs. Oakland)	0 (two times)
18 (3/28 at Tulsa)	6 (4/8 at Colo. Springs)	Shots	18 (4/30 vs. Hartford)	7 (4/15 at Loudoun)
5 (two times)	1 (4/8 at Colo. Springs)	SOG	7 (4/1 at Tampa Bay)	2 (two times)
2 (two times)	0 (two times)	Saves	5 (4/15 at Loudoun)	0 (4/1 at Tampa Bay)
21 (4/22 at El Paso)	11 (3/18 at Memphis)	Fouls	19 (4/1 at Tampa Bay)	10 (three times)

MILESTONE TRACKER

- Albert Dikwa became the 11th Hounds player to score 20 goals for the club with his strike April 15 against
 Rio Grande Valley FC. Now with 23, he has moved into the club's top 10, one behind José Angulo for ninth.
- Already the team's all-time assists leader, Kenardo Forbes has 165 appearances in all competitions for the
 Hounds, which places him in sole possession of third place in team history. He also has 18 goals with the
 Hounds, putting him on the cusp of joining Dikwa in the 20-goal club.

2023 SCHEDULE & RECORD

USL Championship Record: 2-2-5

Home: 1-0-1 • Away: 1-2-4 • Conf.: 1-0-4 • All comp.: 5-2-5

MAR	CH			
Sat.	11	@Birmingham Legion FC	WPCW	D, 1-1
Sat.	18	@Memphis 901 FC	ESPN+	W, 3-1
Fri.	24	Miami FC	WPCW	D, 1-1
Tues.	28	@FC Tulsa	ESPN+	D, 0-0

APR	IL			
Wed.	5	*Rochester New York FC	W, 1-0	(forfeit
Sat.	8	@Colo. Springs Switchbacks	WPCW	L, 0-
Sat.	15	Rio Grande Valley FC Toros	WPCW	W, 2-0
Sat.	22	@El Paso Locomotive FC	ESPN+	L, 0-2
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@Indy Eleven

MAY				
Fri.	5	@Monterey Bay FC	ESPN+	D, 2-2
Tues.	9	*@New England Revolution	YouTube	W, 1-0
Sat.	13	Birmingham Legion FC	WPCW	7 p.m.
Sat.	20	Las Vegas Lights FC	WPCW	7 p.m.
Tu/We	23-24	U.S. Open Cup Round of 16	TBD	TBD
Sun.	28	@Loudoun United FC	ESPN+	6 p.m.

Sat.	3	Phoenix Rising FC	WPCW	7 p.m
Sat.	10	Charleston Battery	WPCW	7 p.m
Sat.	17	@Oakland Roots SC	FSPN+	10 p.m
Sat.	24	San Diego Loyal SC	WPCW	7 p.m

Sat.	1	Louisville City FC	WPCW	7 p.m.
Sat.	8	Sacramento Republic FC	WPCW	7 p.m.
Wed.	12	@Louisville City FC	WPCW	8 p.m.
Sat.	15	Detroit City FC	WPCW	7 p.m.
Sat.	22	@Charleston Battery	ESPN+	7:30 p.m.
Wed.	26	Indy Eleven	WPCW	7 p.m.
Sat.	29	Memphis 901 FC	WPCW	7 p.m.

Sat. Sat.	5 12	Tampa Bay Rowdies Hartford Athletic	WPCW WPCW	7 p.m. 7 p.m.
Wed.	16	@Orange County SC	ESPN+	10 p.m.
Wed.	23	@Hartford Athletic	ESPN+	7 p.m.
Sat.	26	@San Antonio FC	WPCW	9 p.m.

SEP	TEMB	ER		
Sat.	9	Loudoun United FC	WPCW	7 p.m.
Sat.	16	@Miami FC	ESPN+	7 p.m.
Sat.	23	New Mexico United	WPCW	7 p.m.
Sat.	30	FC Tulsa	WPCW	7 p.m.

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Sat.	7	@Tampa Bay Rowdies	WPCW	7:30 p.m.
Sat.	14	@Detroit City FC	ESPN+	4 p.m.

CLUB NOTABLES

Most Appearances	David Flavius (195)
All-Time Goals Leader	
All-Time Assists Leader	Kenardo Forbes (45
All-Time Record at Highmark Stadium	77_42_47

ST TIME OUT

Last Game Summary

*Denotes U.S. Open Cup matches

Riverhounds SC 1, New England Revolution 0

USOC Round of 32 · Gillette Stadium, Foxborough, Mass. · May 9, 2023
The Hounds picked up the second Open Cup win over an MLS side in club history and their first on the road by knocking off that league's Eastern Conference leaders. Danny Griffin scored from a Marc Ybarra through ball in the 44th minute, and the Hounds defended exceptionally as a unit, limiting New England to one shot on target and zero "big chances," per Opta stats.







FAST FACTS

General Information

Name: Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC City/Zip: Pittsburgh, PA 15219 Founded: March 11, 1998 First match: May 1, 1999 Nickname: Hounds Colors: Black & Yellow

Conference: Eastern Conference Venue: Highmark Stadium Seating capacity: 5,000 Owner: Tuffy Shallenberger Website: www.riverhounds.com

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At home1-0-1	1
On road	4
In games decided by one goal or fewer0-1-5	5
In games decided by two goals or more2-1-0	
vs. clubs with winning records1-1-1	
vs. clubs with losing records1-1-2	2
vs. clubs with .500 records0-0-2	2
Scoring first2-0-2	2
Conceding first 0-2-2	2
Leading at half1-0-1	1
Trailing at half0-1-2	2
Tied at half1-1-2	
Leading with 10:00 remaining2-0-2	2
Trailing with 10:00 remaining 0-2-1	1
Tied with 10:00 remaining0-0-2	2
Leading with 5:00 remaining2-0-1	
Trailing with 5:00 remaining0-2-0	
Tied with 5:00 remaining0-0-4	1
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In April1-2-1	
In May0-0-1	1
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Vs. Western Conference	I
Miscellaneous	
Current StreakD2	2
Home Streak W1	1

Road StreakD2

ACTIVE ROSTER

Roster Size: 25 • Returners: 11 • Newcomers: 14

NUMERICAL

No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Age	Hometown (Previous Club)
1	Christian Garner	GK	6'0"	180	23	Orleans, Mass. (Northwestern University)
2	Danny Griffin	M	5′9″	170	24	Wethersfield, Conn. (Huntsville City FC)
3	Pat Hogan	D	6'3"	190	25	Matthews, N.C. (Charleston Battery)
4	Dani Rovira	D/M	5′9″	148	26	Bogotá, Colombia (University of Vermont)
5	Arturo Ordóñez	D	6'2"	178	25	Salou, Spain (University of Pittsburgh)
6	Nathan Dossantos	D	5′11″	170	23	Oakville, Ontario (Marshall University)
7	Langston Blackstock	F	6'2"	185	22	Marietta, Ga. (Clayton State University)
8	Junior Etou	M	5′9″	175	28	Brazzaville, Republic of Congo (Tampa Bay Rowdies)
9	Albert Dikwa	F	6′1″	165	25	Garoua, Cameroon (Saint Louis FC)
10	DZ Harmon	M	6'2"	190	26	Monrovia, Liberia (Charleston Battery)
11	Kenardo Forbes	M	5′9″	170	34	Kingston, Jamaica (Rochester Rhinos)
12	Michael DeShields	D	6′1″	185	24	Baltimore, Md. (New England Revolution II)
13	Luke Biasi	D	6'0"	180	23	Buford, Ga. (Syracuse University)
14	Robbie Mertz	M	5′7″	155	26	Pittsburgh, Pa. (Atlanta United 2)
<u>15</u>	Joe Farrell	D	6'2"	185	28	Blue Bell, Pa. (Phoenix Rising FC)
16	Burke Fahling	M	5′7″	163	25	Tupelo, Miss. (Charleston Battery)
18	Anders Bordoy	M	6′1″	155	18	New Kensington, Pa. (Riverhounds Academy)
19	Edward Kizza	F	5′9″	175	24	Kampala, Uganda (New England Revolution)
20	Trevor Zwetsloot	D	6'2"	178	23	Auckland, New Zealand (New England Revolution II)
22	Tony Lopez	F	6′1″	174	25	Sylmar, Calif. (Cal United Strikers)
23	Marc Ybarra	M	6'0"	180	24	Ann Arbor, Mich. (University of Michigan)
24	Tola Showunmi	F	6'3"	200	22	London, England (University of New Hampshire)
26	Jahmali Waite	GK	6′1″	198	24	Kingston, Jamaica (University of Connecticut)
28	Illal Osumanu	D	6′0″	186	26	Accra, Ghana (Union Omaha)
32	Jonathan Gomes	GK	6'3"	185	24	Broward County, Fla. (Mercyhurst University)

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TECHNICAL STAFF

Head Coach: Bob Lilley Assistant Coach: Dan Visser Goalkeepers Coach: Jon Busch

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Luke BIASI	BEE-ah-see
ANDERS BORDOY	AHN-ders bor-DOY
Albert DIKWA	DEE-kwa
Junior ETOU	EH-too
Burke FAHLING	FAY-ling
Jonathan GOMES	GOMZ
Edward KIZZA	KIZ-uh
Arturo ORDÓÑEZ	or-DOE-nyez
ILLAL OSUMANU	III-ALL O-soo-mah-noo
TOLA SHOWUNMI	TOW-la SHOW-un-me
Marc YBARRA	EE-bar-uh
Trevor ZWETSLOOT	ZVET-sloot

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2023 PLAYER STATS & HONORS

2023 USL CHAMPIONSHIP STATISTICS

	lo. Name	<u>GP</u>	MIN	G	A	<u>PTS</u>	<u>SH</u>	SOG	<u>FC</u>	<u> T </u>	CL	<u>PK</u>	<u> PKG</u>	YC_	<u>RC</u>
2	Danny Griffin	1	90	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	2	0	0	0	0
3	Pat Hogan	8	535	0	1	1	1	1	2	11	24	0	0	1	0
4	Dani Rovira	5	372	0	1	1	2	0	5	11	5	0	0	1	0
5	Arturo Ordóñez	8	719	0	1	1	6	0	14	13	31	0	0	2	1
6		9	680	0	0	0	0	0	16	23	15	0	0	3	0
7	Langston Blackstock	6	175	0	0	0	2	2	2	9	0	0	0	0	0
8	Junior Etou	4	346	0	0	0	1	1	5	6	2	0	0	1	0
9	Albert Dikwa	9	797	7	0	14	21	10	10	4	2	2	1	1	0
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	 Kenardo Forbes 	9	748	1	1	3	8	4	11	12	3	0	0	1	0
1	2 Mike DeShields	2	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0
1	3 Luke Biasi	8	526	0	2	2	1	1	9	19	6	0	0	3	0
1	4 Robbie Mertz	8	580	1	0	2	4	2	6	11	1	0	0	0	1
1	5 Joe Farrell	9	417	0	0	0	3	1	4	9	17	0	0	1	0
	6 Burke Fahling	6	100	1	0	2	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
1	8 Anders Bordoy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	9 Edward Kizza	8	404	0	0	0	2	1	10	3	1	0	0	1	0
2	0 Trevor Zwestloot	6	245	0	0	0	2	0	4	11	3	0	0	1	0
2	2 Tony Lopez	5	266	0	0	0	6	3	9	6	2	0	0	0	0
	3 Marc Ybarra	9	670	0	0	0	3	1	19	15	9	0	0	2	0
	4 Tola Showunmi	8	231	0	1	1	6	3	9	1	2	0	0	0	0
2	8 Illal Osumanu	2	101	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0

GOALKEEPERS

No.	Name	GP	MIN	GA	SV	CS	SV%	GAA	YC	RC	
1	Christian Garner	1	90	1	1	0	.500	1.00	0	0	
26	Jahmali Waite	8	720	8	8	2	.500	1.00	0	0	
32	Jonathan Gomes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	



2023 HONORS

USL CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Albert Dikwa - (Week 2)

First career hat trick in win at Memphis

USL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM OF THE WEEK

Robbie Mertz - Midfielder (Week 1)

Albert Dikwa - Forward (Week 2) Pat Hogan - Defender (Week 2)

Kenardo Forbes - Midfielder (Week 6)

Albert Dikwa (2) - Forward (Week 9)

USL CHAMPIONSHIP SAVE OF THE WEEK

Jahmali Waite (Week 4 at Tulsa)

^{*} italics denote Bench selection, number of 2023 selection in parentheses

TECHNICAL STAFF

HEAD COACH BOB LILLEY



Experience: 23nd season (sixth with PIT)

Date Hired: November 14, 2017

Hometown: Fort Monmouth, N.J.

George Mason University

Accolades: 2015 USL Cup Champion 2006 USL-1 Champion

Announced as the club's 10th head coach in its history on Nov. 14, 2017, Bob Lilley is in his sixth season at the helm for Riverhounds SC.

Last year, Lilley led the Hounds to a 16-9-9 league record, good for fifth place in a tightly packed top of the USL Championship Eastern Conference The playoff berth was the team's fifth in a row — a club record — and the team advanced to the conference semifinals for the second time in the past four seasons.

His time in Pittsburgh has been marked by new levels of success for the team, including a 17-8-7 record in 2021 and an 11-4-1 mark in the pandemic-shortened 2020 season. In 2019, Lilley led the club to a 19-4-11 regular-season record — the most single-season wins in team history — and the USL Championship Eastern Conference regular-season championship. The club also made the postseason in 2018, when it hosted the first-ever playoff match at Highmark Stadium. Lilley has posted a 78-30-42 regular-season record with the Hounds, which includes shutting out opponents in 63 out of 150 games.

Lilley came to Pittsburgh after coaching USL's Rochester Rhinos, which he led during two separate stints (2014-17 and 2010-11). In his six seasons with the Rhinos, Lilley compiled an 82-39-51 regular-season record, which includes a 2015 mark of 17-1-10 en route to winning Coach of the Year honors and the USL Cup. He also was named Coach of the Year in 2010, when Rochester won the USSF Division 2 Professional League regular-season title.

Before joining the Rhinos ahead of their 2010 season, Lilley spent 2007-08 as head coach of the Detroit Ignition of the Major Indoor Soccer League (MISL), earning Coach of the Year honors as the Ignition logged a 22-8 record and won the league's regular-season championship.

For three seasons (2005-07), Lilley served as head coach for the Vancouver Whitecaps of the USL First Division, winning the league championship in 2006. From 2002-03, he led the Montreal Impact of the USL A-League, winning Coach of the Year honors in 2003. He began his pro head-coaching career with the Hershey Wildcats from 1997-01, and he was named Coach of the Year in 1997, his first-ever campaign as a head coach. Hershey made the playoffs each season under Lilley, including a trip to the A-League final in 2001.

Alma Mater: Across 22 seasons of head-coaching experience at the pro level, Lilley holds an all-time record of 334-160-141. He has logged at least a .500 winning percentage during each regular season and has led his team into the postseason every year. He also has won two league (1987) titles, earned Coach of the Year honors five times, and in 2010, he was inducted into the USL Hall of Fame as a coach.

Before his coaching days, Lilley played at George Mason University from 1984-87, where he was a four-year starter and team captain. He was inducted into the George Mason Men's Soccer Hall of Fame in 2011. He also played professionally with the Orlando Lions of the American Soccer League (1989-90) and the Maryland Bays of the American Professional Soccer League (1991). He also played on USL Hall of Fame (2010) the indoor circuit with the Hershey Impact (1988-91) and Harrisburg Heat of the National Professional Soccer League (1991-97) and the Five-time Coach of the Year Pittsburgh Stingers of the Continental Indoor Soccer League in 1994.



ASSISTANT COACH

DAN VISSER

- Eighth season with club
- Joined the staff in July 2016
- West Chester, Pa. native

Dan Visser enters his seventh full season as an assistant coach with Riverhounds SC after originally joining the club midway through the 2016 season as part of head coach Dave Brandt's staff.

Prior to arriving in Pittsburgh, Visser served as an assistant coach under Brandt at the United States Naval Academy during its 2015 campaign.

From 2013-14, Visser was head coach at Eastern Nazarene College in Quincy, Mass., where the Lions made a two-win improvement in his second year over the first.

Visser began his coaching career at the NCAA Division III level, serving as an assistant coach and recruiting coordinator at Eastern University in St. Davids, Pa. In two years at Eastern, the Eagles compiled a 21-11-2 record and had 11 student-athletes earn allconference honors.

Visser played collegiately as a midfielder at Messiah College for four seasons before graduating in 2008. During this period, the team won three national championships and accumulated an 89-6-2 record. The two-time team captain also received Regional All-America honors in 2007.



GOALKEEPERS COACH

JON BUSCH

- First season with club
- Joined the staff in Jan. 2023
- New York, N.Y. native

Jon Busch is in his first season as the goalkeepers coach for Riverhounds SC. He was previously the goalkeeping coach for Scottish Premiership side Hibernian, and before that, with Indy Eleven in the NASL and USL Championship.

Busch entered coaching after an impressive 21-year professional career that included 14 seasons in MLS. Busch first played in the A-League, where he was named the 2001 A-League Goalkeeper of the Year while helping the Hershey Wildcats reach the league final under Bob Lilley.

He was drafted by the Columbus Crew in the 2002 MLS Super Draft and played there until 2006 before joining the Chicago Fire from 2007-09. In 2008, his best year with the Fire, he was named MLS Goalkeeper of the Year after leading the league in save percentage and tying for the league lead in shutouts. Busch continued his career joining the San Jose Earthquakes in 2010, returning to the Fire in 2015 and finishing his playing career with Indy Eleven in 2016-17.

Busch also represented the United States in international play as part of the Under-17 team in the 1993 World Championship. He remained in the U.S. player pool and made his only start at the senior level in 2005, recording a shutout against Colombia, 3-0.

2023 STANDINGS & GOAL LOG

2023 USL CHAMPIONSHIP STANDINGS

Eastern

Team	GP	RECORD	PTS	GF	GA	GD
Charleston Battery	9	5-1-3	18	14	8	6
Birmingham Legion FC	10	5-4-1	16	15	18	-3
Louisville City FC	8	4-2-2	14	7	10	-3
Tampa Bay Rowdies	9	3-4-2	11	8	10	-2
Miami FC	9	2-2-5	11	10	8	2
Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC	9	2-2-5	11	10	9	1
Loudoun United FC	8	3-4-1	10	11	11	0
Memphis 901 FC	7	2-2-3	9	11	10	1
Indy Eleven	8	2-3-3	9	7	10	-3
FC Tulsa	9	1-3-5	8	12	12	0
Detroit City FC	9	1-6-2	5	4	8	-4
Hartford Athletic	8	1-5-2	5	11	17	-6

Western

Team	GP	RECORD	PTS	GF	GA	GD
Sacramento Republic FC	8	5-0-3	18	14	2	12
San Diego Loyal SC	9	5-2-2	17	13	8	5
El Paso Locomotive FC	9	5-3-1	16	15	11	4
Colo. Springs Switchbacks	9	5-3-1	16	11	12	-1
San Antonio FC	9	4-1-4	16	11	7	4
Monterey Bay FC	9	3-2-4	13	17	14	3
Oakland Roots SC	8	3-3-2	11	11	9	2
Phoenix Rising FC	8	2-2-4	10	10	12	-2
New Mexico United	7	2-3-2	8	10	11	-1
Rio Grande Valley FC Toros	8	1-2-5	8	6	10	-4
Orange County SC	9	1-5-3	6	9	15	-6
Las Vegas Lights FC	8	0-3-5	5	8	13	-5

**Through matches played Monday, May 8



2023 GOAL LOG

RIVERHOUNDS SC

3/11: @BHM - Robbie Mertz 72' (Arturo Ordóñez)

3/18: @MEM - Albert Dikwa 5' (Pat Hogan)

3/18: @MEM - Albert Dikwa 39' (pen.)

3/18: @MEM - Albert Dikwa 71' (Tola Showunmi)

3/24: MIA - Burke Fahling 85'

4/15: RGV - Albert Dikwa 49' (Luke Biasi)

4/15: RGV - Kenardo Forbes 64' (Dani Rovira)

4/25: MD - Edward Kizza 81' (Tola Showunmi)

4/25: MD - Burke Fahling 90+1'

4/29: @IND - Albert Dikwa 18' (Luke Biasi)

5/5: @MB - Albert Dikwa 16' (Kenardo Forbes)

5/5: @MB - Albert Dikwa 74'

5/9: @NE - Danny Griffin 44' (Marc Ybarra)

OPPOSITION

3/11: @BHM - Alex Crognale 28' (Jacob Rufe)

3/18: @MEM - Bruno Lapa 7' (Dylan Borczak)

3/24: MIA - Kyle Murphy 23'

4/8: @COS - Romario Williams 80' (Patrick Seagrist) 4/22: @ELP - Petar Petrovic 39' (Denys Kostyshyn)

4/22: @ELP - Luis Solignac 69' (Marc Navarro)

4/29: @IND - Jack Blake 81'

5/5: @MB - Alex Dixon 44' (Christian Volesky)

5/5: @MB - Christian Volesky 90+1' (Adrian Rebollar)

**Italics denote U.S. Open Cup matches

LINEUPS & LINE SCORES

March 11: @Birmingham Legion FC (D, 1-1)

Jahmali Waite Nate Dossantos (Luke Biasi 79')

Pat Hogan (Joe Farrell 79')

Arturo Ordóñez Dani Rovira Junior Etou

Kenardo Forbes Robbie Mertz (Burke Fahling 87')

Marc Ybarra

Albert Dikwa (Tola Showunmi 79') Edward Kizza (Tony Lopez 54')

March 18: @Memphis 901 FC (W, 3-1)

Jahmali Waite

Nate Dossantos (Luke Biasi 63')

Pat Hogan Arturo Ordóñez Dani Rovira Junior Etou

Kenardo Forbes (Joe Farrell 75') Robbie Mertz (Burke Fahling 75')

Marc Ybarra Albert Dikwa

Edward Kizza (Tola Showunmi 63')

March 24: Miami FC (D, 1-1)

Christian Garner

Nate Dossantos (Burke Fahling 67')

Pat Hogan

Arturo Ordóñez

Dani Rovira (Langston Blackstock 77')

Junior Etou (Joe Farrell 77') Kenardo Forbes (Tony Lopez 66')

Robbie Mertz Marc Ybarra

Albert Dikwa

Edward Kizza (Tola Showunmi 66')

March 28: @Tulsa FC (D, 0-0)

Jahmali Waite Nate Dossantos Joe Farrell Arturo Ordóñez

Luke Biasi Junior Ftou (Trevor Zwetsloot 90+13') Kenardo Forbes (Marc Ybarra 67')

Tola Showunmi (DZ Harmon 67') Tony Lopez (Edward Kizza 76') Burke Fahling (Robbie Mertz 46')

Albert Dikwa

April 8: @Colorado Springs Switchbacks FC (L, 0-1) April 29: @Indy Eleven (D, 1-1)

Jahmali Waite Nate Dossantos (Dani Rovira 63') Pat Hogan (Joe Farrell 79')

Arturo Ordóñez (sent off 90+5') Luke Biasi

Kenardo Forbes

Trevor Zwetsloot (Langston Blackstock 85') Robbie Mertz (sent off 48')

Tony Lopez (Tola Showunmi 63') Marc Ybarra (Illal Osumanu 79') Albert Dikwa

April 15: Rio Grande Valley FC Toros (W, 2-0)

Jahmali Waite Luke Biasi (Tola Showunmi 67') Nate Dossantos

Joe Farrell Illal Osumanu

Dani Rovira (Trevor Zwetsloot 88')

Marc Ybarra Kenardo Forbes

Tony Lopez (Pat Hogan 67')

Edward Kizza (Langston Blackstock 67') Albert Dikwa (Mike DeShields 88')

April 22: @El Paso Locomotive FC (L, 0-2)

Jahmali Waite

Nate Dossantos (Langston Blackstock 79')

Joe Farrell

Pat Hogan (DZ Harmon 61', Burke Fahling 79')

Luke Biasi (Trevor Zwetsloot 61')

Robbie Mertz Marc Ybarra Kenardo Forbes

Edward Kizza (Tola Showunmi 61')

Albert Dikwa

April 25: Maryland Bobcats FC (W, 2-0)

Christian Garner

Langston Blackstock (Anders Bordoy 89') Mike DeShields

Pat Hogan Luke Biasi

Trevor Zwetsloot Robbie Mertz (Marc Ybarra 84')

Tony Lopez (Nate Dossantos 69')

Burke Fahling

DZ Harmon (Edward Kizza 69')

Tola Showunmi (Arturo Ordóñez 84')

Jahmali Waite Nate Dossantos Joe Farrell Arturo Ordóñez

Luke Biasi Marc Ybarra (Burke Fahling 87')

Kenardo Forbes

Langston Blackstock (Trevor Zwetsloot 46')

Edward Kizza (Pat Hogan 67')

Robbie Mertz (Tola Showunmi 67')

Albert Dikwa

May 5: @Monterey Bay FC (D, 2-2)

Jahmali Waite Langston Blackstock (Mike DeShields 78')

Nate Dossantos (Marc Ybarra 59')

Arturo Ordóñez

Pat Hogan

Luke Biasi

Trevor Zwetsloot (Joe Farrell 83')

Danny Griffin

Robbie Mertz (Edward Kizza 78')

Kenardo Forbes

Albert Dikwa

May 9: @New England Revolution (W, 1-0)

Jahmali Waite Burke Fahling (Luke Biasi 65')

Mike DeShields

Joe Farrell (Trevor Zwetsloot 56')

Arturo Ordóñez DZ Harmon

Danny Griffin

Marc Ybarra

Edward Kizza (Albert Dikwa 79')

Robbie Mertz (Kenardo Forbes 65')

Tola Showunmi (Junior Etou 79')

USL CHAMPIONSHIP LINE SCORES

 															
Opponent	W/L/D	G	Α	SH SOC	POSS	PA%	CK	OFF	FC	PK	PKG	YC	RC	OG	SV
HOUNDS	D	1	1	8 3	53.0	79.0	5	3	13	0	0	1	0	0	2
@Birmingham		1	11	10 3	47.0	73.9	3	0	10	0	0	2	0	0	2
HOUNDS	W	3	2	11 5	35.8	63.1	4	4	11	1	1	2	0	0	2
@Memphis		1	1	8 3	64.2	76.7	3	0	14	0	0	4	0	0	2
HOUNDS	D	1	0	11 2	59.0	71.0	8	1	15	0	0	2	0	0	1
Miami		1	0	3 2	41.0	55.6	3	2	9	0	0	2	0	0	1
HOUNDS	D	0	0	18 3	30.6	63.7	4	2	18	0	0	3	0	0	1
@Tulsa		0	0	7 2	69.4	80.6	2	11	15	0	0	2	0	0	3
HOUNDS	L	0	0	6 1	32.9	69.2	5	3	17	0	0	4	2	0	1
@Colorado Springs		1	11	8 2	67.1	85.7	3	2	17	1	0	2	0	0	1
HOUNDS	W	2	2	9 4	39.3	66.6	5	3	20	0	0	2	0	0	0
Rio Grande Valley		0	0	6 0	60.7	77.6	7	11	11	0	0	2	0	0	2
HOUNDS	L	0	0	9 4	51.4	84.3	3	2	21	0	0	4	0	0	1
@El Paso		2	2	7 3	48.6	80.9	3	2	11	0	0	4	0	0	4
HOUNDS	D	1	1	6 5	37.6	71.9	0	1	15	0	0	2	0	0	1
@Indy		1	0	7 2	62.4	85.9	4	3	14	0	0	3	0	0	4
HOUNDS	D	2	1	11 4	39.4	74.1	3	1	12	1	0	1	0	0	0
@Monterey Bay		2	2	4 2	60.6	83.9	3	3	14	0	0	1	0	0	2

TEAM USL CHAMPIONSHIP STATISTICS

	G	Α	SH	SOG	CK	OFF	FC	YC	RC	PK	PKG	OG	GA	SV	POS%
TOTAL:	10	7	89	31	37	20	142	20	2	2	1	0	9	9	-
AVG:	1.11	0.77	9.89	3.44	4.11	2.22	15.78	2.22	0.22	0.22	0.11	0.00	1.00	1.00	42%

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BROADCAST NOTES



1

CHRISTIAN GARNER

	GP/GS	W/L/D	S	GA	GAA	SV%
2023	1/1	0-0-1	1	1	1.00	.500

GK • 6'0" • 180 • Orleans, Mass.

- Made pro debut 3/24 1-1 draw vs. Miami
- First pro shutout 4/25 in USOC vs. Md. Bobcats
- Played in college at Northwestern & Boston Coll.

Saves: 1 (3/24 vs. MIA) GA: 1 (3/24 vs. MIA) Clean sheets: 0

Minutes: 90 (5/5 at MB)



2

DANNY GRIFFIN

	GP/GS	MIN	G	Α	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	1/1	90	0	0	0	0	0

M • 5'9" • 170 • Wethersfield, Conn.

- Back via transfer from Huntsville (MLSNP) on 5/3
- Played in 91 consecutive league matches as a pro
- Hounds record 85 consecutive league matches

Points: 0
Shots: 0
SOG: 0

Goals: 0

Assists: 0



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PAT HOGAN

	GP/GS	MIN	G	Α	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	8/6	535	0	1	11	11	1

D • 6'3" • 190 • Matthews, N.C.

- Signed after two seasons with Charleston Battery
- 37 games played, two goals as a pro entering '23
- Conf. USA Defensive MVP in '20-21 at Charlotte

Goals: 0
Assists: 1 (3/18 at MEM)
Points: 1 (3/18 at MEM)

Minutes: 90 (two times)

Assists: 1 (4/15 vs. RGV)

Points: 1 (4/15 vs. RGV)

Minutes: 90 (seven times)

Assists: 1 (3/11 at BHM)

Points: 1 (3/11 at BHM)

Minutes: 90 (three times)

Minutes: 78 (5/5 at MB)

Shots: 2 (3/28 at TUL)

Shots: 1 (two times)

Minutes: 90 (three times)

Shots: 1 (4/22 at ELP)

SOG: 1 (4/22 at ELP)

Goals: 0

SOG: 0

SOG: 0

Goals: 0

Points: 0

Shots: 0

SOG: 0

Assists: 0

Points: 0



4

DANI ROVIRA

	GP/GS	MIN	G	Α	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	5/4	372	0	1	1	2	0

D • 5'9" • 148 • Bogotá, Colombia

- Second-most tenured Hounds player (fifth year)
- Career-high five assists in 2022
- Team leader with 66 tackles in 2021

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ARTURO ORDÓÑEZ

	GP/GS	MIN	G	Α	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	8/8	719	0	1	1	6	0

D • 6'2" • 178 • Salou, Spain

- Started 35 of 38 games in first year (all comps.)
- First professional goal 6/25/22 vs. Tampa Bay
- Led Hounds with 124 clearances in 2022



NATE DOSSANTOS

	GP/GS	MIN	G	Α	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	9/9	680	0	0	0	0	0

D • 5'11" • 170 • Oakville, Ontario

- Made 16 starts at left back in 2022 rookie year
- First season ended in Aug. after knee injury
- 2020 NCAA champion with Marshall



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LANGSTON BLACKSTOCK

	GP/GS	MIN	G	Α	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	6/2	175	0	0	0	2	2

F • 6'2" • 185 • Marietta, Ga.

- Made pro debut as substitute 3/24 vs. Miami
- Played at Division II Clayton State University
- 32 goals, 12 assists in 65 games at CSU



8

JUNIOR ETOU

	GP/GS	MIN	G	Α	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	4/4	346	0	0	0	1	1

M • 5'9" • 175 • Brazzaville, Congo

- Signed after 2022 season w/Tampa Bay Rowdies
- Broke into USL with Charlotte in 2020-21
- Played 7 seasons in France before coming to USL

Minutes: 90 (two times)
Goals: 0

Shots: 1 (two times)

SOG: 1 (two times)

Assists: 0

Shots: 1 (3/28 at TUL)
SOG: 1 (3/28 at TUL)



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ALBERT DIKWA

	GP/GS	MIN	G	Α	PTS	SH	SOG
2022	9/9	797	7	0	14	21	10

F • 6'1" • 165 • Garoua, Cameroon

- Career-high games (33), goals (11), ast. (4) in '22
- First career hat trick 3/18 at Memphis
- Tenth on Hounds career goals list with 23

Minutes: 90 (seven times)
Goals: 3 (3/18 at MEM)

Assists: 0

Points: 6 (3/18 at MEM)

Shots: 5 (4/15 vs. RGV)

Shots: 5 (4/15 vs. RGV)
SOG: 3 (three times)



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DZ HARMON

	GP/GS	MIN	G	Α	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	2/0	41	0	0	0	1	0

M • 6'2" • 190 • Monrovia, Liberia

- Signed after two seasons with Charleston Battery
- Two goals, five assists in 54 games for CHS
- Played college soccer at Coastal Carolina

Minutes: 23 (3/28 at TUL)
Goals: 0

Assists: 0

Points: 0

Shots: 1 (3/28 at TUIL)

SOG: 0



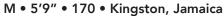
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BROADCAST NOTES



KENARDO FORBES

	GP/GS	MIN	G	Α	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	9/9	748	1	1	3	8	4



- Six-time All-USL selection ('16, '18-'22)
- All-time USL Championship assist leader with 56
- First in Hounds assists (45); 3rd in games pl. (165)

Goals: 1 (4/15 vs. RGV) Assists: 1 (5/5 at MB) Points: 2 (4/15 vs. RGV)

Minutes: 90 (six times)

Shots: 2 (four times) SOG: 2 (two times)

MIKE DESHIELDS

	GP/GS	MIN	G	Α	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	2/0	14	0	0	0	0	0

D • 6'1" • 185 • Baltimore, Md.

- Signed after 2022 with NE Revolution II (MLSNP)
- Fifth overall pick in 2021 MLS Draft by DC United
- Made team debut 4/15 vs. Rio Grande Valley

Minutes: 12 (5/5 at MB) Goals: 0 Points: 0 Shots: 0

SOG: 0



LUKE BIASI

	GP/GS	MIN	G	Α	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	8/6	526	0	2	2	1	1

D • 6'0" • 180 • Buford, Ga.

- 14 appearances in first pro season w/Hounds
- Made appearances at both RB and LB as rookie
- First career assist 4/15 vs. Rio Grande Valley

Goals: 0 Assists: 1 (two times) Points: 1 (two times)

Minutes: 90 (four times)

Shots: 1 (4/22 at ELP) SOG: 1 (4/22 at ELP)



ROBBIE MERTZ

	GP/GS	MIN	G	Α	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	8/7	580	1	0	2	4	2

M • 5'7" • 155 • Pittsburgh, Pa.

- Rejoined Hounds via transfer from ATL (7/20/22)
- Fourth overall season with team over two stints
- 11 total assists in 2022 (regular season & playoffs)

Minutes: 90 (two times) Goals: 1 (3/11 at BHM)

Assists: 0

Points: 2 (3/11 at BHM) Shots: 2 (3/18 at MEM)

SOG: 1 (two times)



JOE FARRELL

	GP/GS	MIN	G	Α	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	9/4	417	0	0	0	3	1

D • 6'2" • 185 • Blue Bell, Pa.

- Acquired via transfer from Phoenix Rising FC
- Led PHX to two Western Conf. titles ('18, '20)
- All-USL selection as rookie in 2016 w/Rochester

Minutes: 90 (four times)

Points: 0

Shots: 2 (3/24 vs. MIA)

SOG: 1 (3/24 vs. MIA)



BURKE FAHLING

	GP/GS	MIN	G	Α	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	6/1	100	1	0	2	2	1

M • 5'7" • 163 • Tupelo, Miss.

- First Hounds goal 3/24 vs. Miami
- Signed after two years with Charleston Battery
- Played 2022 on loan with FC Tucson (USL1)

Minutes: 45 (3/28 at TUL) Goals: 1 (3/24 vs. MIA) Assists: 0

Points: 2 (3/24 vs. MIA)

Shots: 2 (3/24 vs. MIA) SOG: 1 (3/24 vs. MIA)



ANDERS BORDOY

	GP/GS	MIN	G	Α	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0

M • 6'1" • 155 • New Kensington, Pa.

- USL Academy signee announced 3/21/23
- Senior at Kiski Area High School
- Made debut in USOC on 4/25 vs. Md. Bobcats

Minutes Goals: Assists

Points:

Shots SOG:

EDWARD KIZZA

	GP/GS	MIN	G	Α	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	8/6	101	Ω	Λ	Λ	2	1

F • 5'9" • 175 • Kampala, Uganda

- Signed permanent deal after loan spell in 2022
- Previously under contract w/New England (MLS)
- 3 goals in 4 knockout matches (cup & playoff)

Minutes: 67 (4/15 vs. RGV)

Assists: 0

Points: 0

Shots: 1 (two times) SOG: 1 (3/18 at MEM)

Minutes: 85 (4/8 at COS)



TREVOR ZWETSLOOT

	GP/GS	MIN	G	Α	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	6/2	245	0	0	0	2	0

D • 6'2" • 178 • Auckland, New Zealand

- Played last season with NE Revolution II (MLSNP)
- Represented New Zealand at U-19 and U-20 level
- Spent season in Werder Bremen Academy (GER)

Points: 0 **SOG**: 0

Goals: 0 Assists: 0

Shots: 2 (5/5 at MB)



TONY LOPEZ

	GP/GS	MIN	G	Α	PTS	SH	SOG
202	3 5/3	266	0	0	0	6	3

F • 6'1" • 174 • Sylmar, Calif.

- Signed after three years with Cal United (NISA)
- 10 goals, four assists in 42 matches for Cal Utd.
- Also played professionally in Brazil, Germany

Minutes: 76 (3/28 at TUL)

Goals: 0 Assists: 0

Points: 0

Shots: 4 (3/28 at TUL) SOG: 2 (3/28 at TUL)



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MARC YBARRA

	GP/GS	MIN	G	Α	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	9/7	670	0	0	0	3	1

M • 6'0" • 180 • Ann Arbor, Mich.

- Appeared in 23 matches as first-year pro
- 2021 Big Ten Midfielder of the Year at Michigan
- First pro assist 5/9 in USOC win at New England

Minutes: 90 (five times)

Assists: 0

Points: 0 Shots: 1 (three times)

SOG: 1 (3/18 at MEM)

Minutes: 67 (3/28 at TUL)

Assists: 1 (3/18 at MEM)



TOLA SHOWUNMI

	GP/GS	MIN	G	Α	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	8/1	231	0	1	1	6	3

F • 6'3" • 200 • London, England

- Third-team All-American at New Hampshire in '21
- Picked in 3rd round of 2022 MLS Draft by Atlanta
- First professional assist 3/18 at Memphis

Points: 0

Goals: 0

Shots: 2 (3/11 at BHM)

Saves: 2 (two times)

GA: 2 (two times)

SOG: 1 (three times)



JAHMALI WAITE

	GP/GS	W/L/T	S	GA	GAA	SV%
2023	8/8	2-2-4	8	8	1.00	.500

GK • 6'1" • 198 • Kingston, Jamaica

- Seven clean sheets in first professional season
- Three PK stops in playoff shootout win vs. BHM
- Three international appearances for Jamaica

Clean sheets: 2



ILLAL OSUMANU

	GP/GS	MIN	G	Α	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	2/1	101	0	0	0	0	0

D • 6'0" • 186 • Accra, Ghana

- Free agent signing announced on 4/5/23
- USL League One champion with Omaha in 2021
- Made Hounds debut off bench 4/8 at Co. Springs



JONATHAN GOMES

	GP/GS	W/L/T	S	GΑ	GAA	SV%
2023	0/0	0-0-0	0	0	0.00	_

GK • 6'3" • 185 • Broward County, Fla.

- Finished college career at D-II Mercyhurst
- Allowed only four goals in 21 games in 2022
- Named PSAC West Defensive Athlete of the Year

Minutes: 90 (4/15 at RGV) Goals: 0

Assists: 0

Points: 0

Shots: 0 SOG: 0

Saves:

GA.

Clean sheets: