

USL Announces Week 5 Honors

TAMPA, FL - United Soccer Leagues announced today the Teams and Players of the Week for the fifth week of the season in the A-League, USL Pro Select League, Premier Development League and W-League, honoring Syracuse's Gabe Valencia, Carolina's Dwayne Bergeron, Thunder Bay's Doco Wesseh and Boston's Caitlin Fisher as Players of the Week.

The expansion Syracuse Salty Dogs are on a roll. After opening the season with two road wins, the club held its inaugural home match at P&C Stadium Saturday night and forward Gabe Valencia made it an even more special night for the 10,721 fans in attendance with a hat-trick in the 3-0 victory over Toronto.

The A-League Player of the Week was honored with a spot on the Team of the Week two weeks ago for a two-goal performance in the club's 3-1 win at Charlotte in its inaugural match.

Valencia, who now ranks second in the league in goals (5) and third in points (10), opened the scoring in the seventh minute when he one-timed a cross from Machel Millwood past Lynx goalkeeper Theo Zagar.

He made it 2-0 when he put away a rebound in the 25th minute and iced the match with his final goal in the 72nd on another rebound.

Valencia last played in the A-League two years ago with the Nashville Metros, tallying just four goals and one assist in 21 games. With the Hampton Roads Mariners in 1999, he recorded eight goals and two assists in 28 games.

Third-year Carolina Dynamo midfielder Dwayne Bergeron helped lead the club to a 4-1 road win over the 4-1-0 Reading Rage Friday night with two goals to earn the USL Pro Select League Player of the Week honor.

The Virginia Commonwealth product who has spent some time with the Virginia Beach Mariners of the A-League in past seasons put the Dynamo on the board early with the first tally of the match six minutes in.

With the score still 1-0 early in the second half, Bergeron notched his second of the night and what proved to be the game-winner in the 50th minute. Both goals were assisted by Steve Armas.

The Thunder Bay Chill opened with two wins for the first time in franchise history with the leadership of newcomer Doco Wesseh, who was honored as the PDL Player of the Week.

The former Chicago Eagles Select forward joined the Canadian club and guided the team to two wins on the road against the Wisconsin Rebels.

The Liberian scored both goals for the Chill in their 2-1 win Friday night, finding the back of the net in the 27th and 57th minutes.

The following night, Wesseh scored the opening marker two minutes into the second half as the team went on to a 2-0 victory.

With Chicago last season, he recorded seven goals and an assist in just six matches and in 2001 he finished with 10 goals and two assists in 15 games.

Boston Renegades defender Caitlin Fisher helped lead her team to a 4-0 road win over the New Jersey Lady Stallions a week after a 1-0 win over the same team, recording three assists to earn the W-League Player of the Week honor.

Up 1-0 going into the second half, Fisher helped push the lead to 2-0 two minutes into the second frame by setting up midfielder Stacey Stocco, who was also named to the Team of the Week for her two-goal performance.

Fisher found Stocco again in the 86th minute to secure the win with a 3-0 lead and capped the night off two minutes later with her third assist of the night on a goal by forward Carrie Kveton.

The second-year Renegade played just two matches for the two-time champion side last season, recording a goal and an assist.

Week 5 Teams of the Week

A-League

Pos	Name	Team	Highlights
G	Paul Nagy	Syracuse	Ten saves in two shutouts against Toronto
D	Don Gramenz	Minnesota	Two assists in 2-0 win over Milwaukee
D	Gabriel Gervais	Montreal	Solid play in 0-0 draw against Richmond
D	Khary Stockton	Richmond	Solid play in 0-0 draw against Montreal
M	Roland Aguilera	Virginia Beach	Two goals, assist in 5-2 win over Charleston
M	Lenin Steenkamp	Rochester	Goal, assist in 2-1 win over Pittsburgh
M	Carlos Parra	Atlanta	Goal, assist in pair of 1-1 draws against Charlotte
M	Nic Zuniga	Calgary	Goal, assist in 2-1 win over El Paso
F	McKinley Tennyson	Portland	Two goals, two assists in two wins over Calgary
F	Gabe Valencia	Syracuse	Hat-trick in 3-0 win over Toronto
F	Marshal Morehead	Minnesota	Two goals in 2-0 win over Milwaukee

USL Pro Select League

Pos	Name	Team	Highlights
G	Brian O'Quinn	Western Mass	Six saves in 2-1 win over New Hampshire
D	Shane Carew	Long Island	Solid play in 1-0 win over Carolina
D	Adolfo Ovalle	Utah	Solid play in win and draw
D	Paul Kyriacou	Westchester	Solid play in 4-2 win at New Jersey
M	Dwayne Bergeron	Carolina	Two goals in 4-1 win at Reading
M	John Cullen	Long Island	Goal in 1-0 win over Carolina
M	Steve Armas	Carolina	Two assists in 4-1 win at Reading
M	Richard Breza	Utah	Two goals in win and draw
F	Costeau Decu	Westchester	Two goals in 4-2 win at New Jersey
F	Rob Jachym	Western Mass	Goal, assist in 2-1 win over New Hampshire
F	Martin Sims	California	Two goals in 6-1 win at BYU

Premier Development League

Pos	Name	Team	Highlights
G	Eric Pogue	Toledo	14 saves in 1-1 draw at Indiana
D	Chris Redhage	Des Moines	Game-winner in 2-1 win at St Louis
D	Michael Parkhurst	Bradenton	Equalizer in 1-1 draw against Central Florida
D	Ncube Thulani	Cape Cod	Solid play in 2-1 win and 0-0 draw
M	Rob Mouw	Chicago	Hat-trick in 5-0 win at Sioux Falls

M	Slawomir Gula	Jersey	Two goals, assist in 4-3 win over Brooklyn
M	Matt Evans	So. California	Solid play in 2-2 draw at Utah
M	Kevin Curley	Cascade	Goal in 3-0 win over Calgary
F	Brannan Thomas	Williamsburg	Two goals in 3-1 win over Raleigh
F	Docoh Wesseh	Thunder Bay	Three goals in pair of wins at Wisconsin
F	Ryan Coiner	Orange County	Hat-trick in 4-0 win at Nevada

W-League

Pos	Name	Team	Highlights
G	Shannon O'Brien	Charlotte	Eight saves in two shutouts against Asheville
D	Lisa Day	No. Kentucky	Solid play in 1-1 draw against Columbus
D	Lindsey Beam	Charlotte	Solid play in two shutouts against Asheville
D	Caitlin Fisher	Boston	Three assists in 4-0 win at New Jersey LS
M	Brittany Cooper	Chicago	Two goals in two wins over Windy City
M	Caroline Putz	Seattle	Two assists in 3-0 win over Arizona
M	Stacey Stocco	Boston	Two goals in 4-0 win at New Jersey LS
M	Diana Artuso	Vancouver	Goal, assist in 2-0 win over Arizona
F	Janelle Munnis	Seattle	Two goals in 3-0 win over Arizona
F	Tina Murphy	Charlotte	Two goals in pair of wins over Asheville
F	Tosh Forde	Long Island	Two goals in 6-0 win over Rochester

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