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MATCH INFO

Detroit City FC at Switchbacks FC Saturday, March 16, 2024 - Kickoff at 8 PM EST Weidner Field I Colorado Springs, CO 30°, 50% Chance of Snow, Wind NNW 9mph Referee: Elijo Arreguin

Assistant Referees: Ricardo Ocampo, Jacob Herold

4th Official: JT Belzer

Watch: ESPN+ | Detroit50 (WKBD-TV)

FAST FACTS

Detroit City FC is set to kickoff its 2024 season on the road to Switchbacks FC - this is DCFC's third season in the USL Championship and they hold a record of 0-0-2 in season openers.

This is Danny Dicho's first match as the head coach of Detroit City FC after joining following two seasons as an assistant at Sacramento Republic FC.

Le Rouge has welcomed eight new players to the fold so far this season with Ali Coote, Elvis Amoh, Alex Villanueva, Carlos Saldaña, Matt Sheldon, James Murphy, Ryan Williams and Daniel Espeleta all being new to DCFC in 2024.

2024 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME/RESULT
3/16	@ SWITCHBACKS FC	8:00 PM
3/23	vs LOUDOUN UNITED	4:00 PM
3/30	@ INDY ELEVEN	7:00 PM
4/6	v NORTH CAROLINA FC	2:00 PM
4/20	v OAKLAND ROOTS	4:00 PM
4/27	@ RIVERHOUNDS SC	7:00 PM
5/4	@ LOUDOUN UNITED	7:00 PM
5/11	v PHOENIX RISING	5:00 PM
5/29	@ LOUISVILLE CITY	7:30 PM
6/1	@ ORANGE COUNTY	10:00 PM
6/8	@ RHODE ISLAND FC	7:30 PM
6/15	v Charleston Battery	4:00 PM
6/26	v BIRMINGHAM LEGION	7:00 PM
6/29	@ THE MIAMI FC	7:00 PM
7/6	v TAMPA BAY ROWDIES	7:00 PM
7/13	v MEMPHIS 901 FC	7:00 PM
7/19	@ NORTH CAROLINA FC	7:30 PM
7/27	v SACRAMENTO REPUBLIC	7:00 PM
7/31	@ HARTFORD ATHLETIC	7:30 PM
8/3	v RHODE ISLAND FC	7:00 PM
8/7	v RIVERHOUNDS SC	7:00 PM
8/10	@ LAS VEGAS LIGHTS FC	10:30 PM
8/16	@ BIRMINGHAM LEGION FC	8:00 PM
8/21	@ TAMPA BAY ROWDIES	7:30 PM
8/24	v FC TULSA	7:00 PM
8/31	v HARTFORD ATHLETIC	7:00 PM
9/7	@ EL PASO LOCOMOTIVE	9:00 PM
9/14	v NEW MEXICO UNITED	7:00 PM
9/22	v LOUISVILLE CITY FC	3:00 PM
9/28	@ MONTEREY BAY FC	10:00 PM
10/5	@ CHARLESTON BATTERY	4:00 PM
10/12	v INDY ELEVEN	4:00 PM
10/19	v THE MIAMI FC	4:00 PM
10/26	@ SAN ANTONIO FC	9:30 PM

PREVIOUS MEETINGS

9/10/2022 at Weidner Field - SWITCHBACKS FC 1, DETROIT CITY FC 2 (Goals from Maxi Rodriguez and Deklan Wynne)

9/27/2023 at Keyworth Stadium - DETROIT CITY FC 0, SWITCH-BACKS FC 3





GK NATE **STEINWASCHER**

Pronounciation: STINE - WASHER

DOB: 2/15/1993

Hometown: Sterling Heights, MI Former Club: Grythyttans IF

Ht/Wt: 5'10 - 190lbs

2024 Stats:



RHYS **WILLIAMS**

Pronounciation: REESE - WILLIAMS

DOB: 8/9/1995

Hometown: White Plains, New York

Former Club: Stumptown AC

Ht/Wt: 6'0 - 175lbs

2024 Stats:



ALEX **VILLANUEVA**

Pronounciation: VILLA - NEW - AVA

DOB: 7/9/2002

Hometown: Lancaster, California Former Club: Orange County SC

Ht/Wt: 5'9 - 160lbs

2024 Stats:



RYAN WILLIAMS

DOB: 4/8/1991

Hometown: Birkenhead, England Former Club: AFC Eskilstuna

2024 Stats:



STEPHEN CARROLL Pronounciation: STEVEN - CAROL

DOB: 11/30/1993

Hometown: Cork, Ireland Former Club: Cork City Ht/Wt: 6'1 - 180lbs





M 6 JAMES MURPHY DOB: 9/17/1997

Hometown: Scotch Plains, NJ Former Club: Monterey Bay FC

Ht/Wt: 5'11 - 170lbs

2024 Stats:



M 8 ABDOULAYE DIOP

Pronounciation: OBB-DO-LIE JOPE

DOB: 9/17/1999

Hometown: Dakar, Senegal Former Club: Atlanta United

Ht/Wt: 6'0 - 178lbs

2024 Stats:



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BEN MORRIS

DOB: 7/96/1999

Hometown: Colchester, England Former Club: Ipswich Town

Ht/Wt: 5'10 - 169lbs

2024 Stats:



M 10 ALI COOTE Pronounciation: AL-E COOT

DOB: 6/11/1998

Hometown: Bedford, England

Former Club: Bohemians, Brentford

Ht/Wt: 5'8 - 158lbs

2024 Stats:



M 11 CONNOR RUTZ

DOB: 4/9/1997

Hometown: Commerce, Michigan Former Club: Cincinnati Dutch Lions

Ht/Wt: 6'1 - 165lbs





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MICHAEL BRYANT

DOB: 4/2/1995

Hometown: Portola Hills, California Former Club: Cal United Strikers

Ht/Wt: 6'1 - 185lbs

2024 Stats:



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MATT SHELDON

DOB: 8/23/1992

Hometown: Portland, Oregon Former Club: Hartford Athletic

Ht/Wt: 6'0 - 170lbs

2024 Stats:



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DANIEL ESPELETA

Pronounciation: ES-PEL-ET-A

DOB: 4/5/1998

Hometown: Athens, Georgia

Former Club: LA Force Ht/Wt: 5'8 - 160lbs

2024 Stats:



D 17 BRETT LEVIS Pronounciation: LEAVE-EYES

DOB: 3/29/1993

Hometown: Saskatchewan, Canada

Former Club: FC Tulsa Ht/Wt: 5'8 - 165lbs

2024 Stats:



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Pronounciation: ELVIS AMMO

DOB: 2/2/1992

Hometown: Vincenza, Italy Former Club: Hartford Athletic

Ht/Wt: 6'2 - 175lbs





MAXI RODRIGUEZ DOB: 8/9/1995

Hometown: San Antonio, Texas Former Club: San Antonio FC

Ht/Wt: 5'11 - 173lbs

2024 Stats:



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DOMINIC GASSO

Pronounciation: GAS-OH

DOB: 8/18/2003

Hometown: Grand Blanc, Michigan Former Club: Detroit City FC U19

Ht/Wt: 6'0 - 175lbs

2024 Stats:



YAZEED MATTHEWS

DOB: 4/22/1996

Hometown: Johannesburg, SA Former Club: AFC Ann Arbor

Ht/Wt: 6'1 - 200lbs

2024 Stats:



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DEVON AMOO-MENSAH Pronounciation: A-MOO MEN-SA

DOB: 11/27/1995

Hometown: Naperville, Illinois Former Club: Michigan Stars FC

Ht/Wt: 6'0 - 185lbs

2024 Stats:



GK CARLOS SALDAÑA Pronounciation: SAL-DON-YA

DOB: 10/27/1996

Hometown: Vallejo, California

Former Club: Sacramento Republic

Ht/Wt: 6'3 - 200lbs



TECHNICAL STAFF



DANNY DICHIO HEAD COACH

2024 is Danny Dichio's first as head coach of Detroit City Footall Club after two seasons as an assistant coach for Sacramento Republic FC of the USL Championship's Western Conference under Mark Briggs.

Before his time in Sacramento, Dichio spent over a decade coaching in the Toronto FC youth system, the same club he retired as a player at after coming from overseas to play for the side in their inagural season in Major League Soccer in 2007. Dichio is an adored figure in Toronto FC fan circles as he scored the club's first ever goal in MLS.

Dichio, born in Notting Hill, London, England, has over 400 professional appearances under his belt, most of which coming in the Premier League and Football Championship in England. He began his playing career as a forward after coming through the ranks at his local club, Queens Park Rangers and would go on to have stints at Sunderland, West Bromwich Albion, Millwall, Preston North End. He also played for two Italian clubs, Sampdoria and Lecce.

Dichio is the fourth head coach in Detroit City FC history after Kylie Stannard, Ben Pirmann and Trevor James. In late 2023, it was announced that Trevor James would become the club's first ever Sporting Director.



TREVOR JAMES
SPORTING DIRECTOR



YIANNI MICHELIS ASSISTANT COACH



DAN TROSPERSPORTS PERFORMANCE
COACH



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