

## PITTSBURGH RIVERHOUNDS SC (1-1-3) vs. RIO GRANDE VALLEY FC TOROS (1-0-3)

Saturday, April 15 >> 7 p.m. ET >> Highmark Stadium >> Pittsburgh, Pa.  
TV: Pittsburgh's CW (WPCW-19); Streaming: CW (local), ESPN+ (national)

### INSIDE THE MATCH



#### PITTSBURGH RIO GRANDE

1-1-3	Record	1-0-3
T-4th (East)	Conference Standing	8th (West)
1-1-3	Last Five	1-0-3
L1	Streak	W1
Bob Lilley	Head Coach	Wilmer Cabrera
@RiverhoundsSC	Twitter	@RGVFC

All-Time Head-to-Head	0-1-0
Referee	Sergii Demanchuk
Assistant referees	Noah Matos, Jacob Little
Fourth official	Joshua Encarnacion
Hounds injuries/inactives	
	OUT - Junior Etou (arm)
	OUT - Robbie Mertz (suspension)
	OUT - Arturo Ordóñez (suspension)

### STAT COMPARISON

Hounds	Category	Rio Grande Valley
1.00	Scoring Average	1.00
0.80	Opponent Scoring Average	0.75
5	Goals Scored	4
4	Goals Allowed	3
+1	Goal Differential	+1
7.80	Shots/Game (excl. blocked)	11.50
2.80	SOG/Game	5.75
42%	Average possession	51%
12	Yellow Cards	8
2	Red Cards	2

### TEAM LEADERS

Hounds	Category	Rio Grande Valley
Albert Dikwa, 3	Goals	Taylor Davila, 2
Three tied, 1	Assists	C.Francois/F.Nodarse, 1
Albert Dikwa, 6	Points	Taylor Davila, 4
Albert Dikwa, 7	Shots	Wilmer Cabrera, 10
Arturo Ordóñez, 449	Minutes	Three tied, 360
A.Ordóñez/M.Ybarra, 2	Yellow Cards	Frank Nodarse, 2
R.Mertz/A.Ordóñez, 1	Red Cards	Erik Pimentel, 2
Jahmali Waite, 0.75	GAA	Tyler Deric, 0.75
Jahmali Waite, .667	SV%	Tyler Deric, .824

\*Minimum 3 games to qualify for GK stats

### GAME 6 - QUICK STRIKES

- Highmark Stadium is celebrating its 10-year anniversary this week. One of the USL's original team-owned and soccer-specific venues, Highmark opened on April 13, 2013 when the Hounds hosted the Harrisburg City Islanders. José Angulo scored the first goal in the stadium to jump-start his USL Pro MVP season, but the Islanders rallied to win the match, 2-1.
- The Hounds return to Highmark Stadium for just their second home match of the season, having played four of their first five on the road. By mid-May, the team will have played 7 of 9 league matches away from home, though they do have a home U.S. Open Cup match added in on April 25.
- This will be the second meeting all-time between the Hounds and RGV and the first in Pittsburgh. The Toros took the first matchup, 1-0, on a 100-degree day in Texas on June 18 of last season.
- Hounds goalkeeper Jahmali Waite has started four of the team's five matches thus far, missing only the home opener at Miami while getting a start March 26 with the Jamaican National Team in Mexico. Waite made the USL Championship Save of the Week while earning his first clean sheet of the season March 28 at FC Tulsa, and last week, he stopped the first penalty kick he has faced this season when he denied Colorado Springs' Maalique Foster.
- Albert Dikwa was the USL Championship Player of the Week in Week 2 after his first career hat trick in a 3-1 win on the road against Memphis. It was the second multi-goal game with the Hounds for Dikwa, and he now has 19 goals for the club, the most among active players with the team.
- The Hounds will be without two regular starters through suspension this week, as both midfielder Robbie Mertz (serious foul play) and defender Arturo Ordóñez (second caution) received one-match bans after being sent off last Saturday against Colorado Springs.
- Hounds captain Kenardo Forbes is the longest-tenured player on the team entering his sixth season, but he remains among the league's best after a Second Team All-USL Championship selection in 2022. Forbes has been on one of the All-League teams all five seasons in Pittsburgh, and last season, the USL Championship's all-time assists leader had his first 10-assist regular season.
- In 168 matches under coach Bob Lilley in all competitions, the Hounds are 84-36-48 and have allowed just 159 goals, an average of 0.95 goals per game.

### SUPERLATIVES

Hounds High	Hounds Low	Category	Opp High	Opp Low
3 (3/18 at Memphis)	0 (two times)	Goals	1 (four times)	N/A
1 (four times)	0 (3/28 at Tulsa)	Goals All.	1 (three times)	0 (4/1 at Detroit)
18 (3/28 at Tulsa)	6 (4/8 at Colo. Springs)	Shots	20 (3/24 vs. Monterey Bay)	9 (3/19 vs. Oakland)
5 (3/18 at Memphis)	1 (4/8 at Colo. Springs)	SOG	10 (3/24 vs. Monterey Bay)	3 (3/12 vs. Las Vegas)
2 (two times)	1 (three times)	Saves	4 (three times)	2 (3/24 vs. Monterey Bay)
18 (3/28 at Tulsa)	11 (3/18 at Memphis)	Fouls	16 (3/12 vs. Las Vegas)	10 (3/24 vs. Monterey Bay)

### MILESTONE TRACKER

- Already the team's all-time assists leader, Kenardo Forbes has 160 appearances in all competitions for the Hounds, which places him in sole possession of third place in team history.
- With an assist in last year's Eastern Conference Semifinals against Louisville, Robbie Mertz moved into a tie for ninth in club history with 13 assists in all competitions. One ahead of him on the list is the player he set up on that goal, Russell Cicerone, who had 14 assists with the Hounds from 2021-22.
- Albert Dikwa has scored 19 goals since joining the Hounds midway through the 2020 season. His next goal will make him the 11th player to reach the 20-goal plateau with the club.

### 2023 SCHEDULE & RECORD

#### USL Championship Record: 1-1-3

Home: 0-0-1 • Away: 1-1-2 • Conf.: 1-0-3 • All comp.: 2-1-3

#### MARCH

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

#### APRIL

Wed. 5	*Rochester New York FC	W, 1-0 (forfeit)	
Sat. 8	@Colo. Springs Switchbacks	WPCW	L, 0-1
Sat. 15	Rio Grande Valley FC Toros	WPCW	7 p.m.
Sat. 22	@El Paso Locomotive FC	ESPN+	9:30 p.m.
Tues. 25	*Maryland Bobcats FC	B/R Football	7 p.m.
Sat. 29	@Indy Eleven	ESPN+	7 p.m.

#### MAY

Fri. 5	@Monterey Bay FC	ESPN+	10 p.m.
Sat. 13	Birmingham Legion FC	WPCW	7 p.m.
Sat. 20	Las Vegas Lights FC	WPCW	7 p.m.
Sun. 28	@Loudoun United FC	ESPN+	6 p.m.

#### JUNE

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

#### JULY

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.

#### AUGUST

Sat. 5	Tampa Bay Rowdies	WPCW	7 p.m.
Sat. 12	Hartford Athletic	WPCW	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.

#### SEPTEMBER

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.

#### OCTOBER

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

\*Denotes U.S. Open Cup matches

### CLUB NOTABLES

Most Appearances	David Flavius (195)
All-Time Goals Leader	David Flavius (62)
All-Time Assists Leader	Kenardo Forbes (44)
All-Time Record at Highmark Stadium	75-42-47

### Last Game Summary

Colorado Springs Switchbacks FC 1, Riverhounds SC 0

Game 5 • Weidner Field, Colorado Springs, Colo. • April 8, 2023

An 80th-minute goal by Romario Williams sent the shorthanded Hounds to their first defeat of the season in the first-ever meeting between the two teams. Robbie Mertz was sent off in the 48th minute, reducing the Hounds to 10 men for most of the second half. Jahmali Waite denied Maalique Foster on a penalty kick in the 75th minute, but the Hounds couldn't complete the shutout bid.

LAST TIME OUT

**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

**USL RECORD IN 2023 WHEN...**

At home.....	0-0-1
On road.....	1-1-2
In games decided by one goal or fewer.....	0-1-3
In games decided by two goals or more.....	1-0-0
vs. clubs with winning records.....	0-1-0
vs. clubs with losing records.....	1-0-1
vs. clubs with .500 records.....	0-0-2
Scoring first.....	1-0-0
Conceding first.....	0-1-2
Leading at half.....	1-0-0
Trailing at half.....	0-0-2
Tied at half.....	0-1-1
Leading with 10:00 remaining.....	1-0-0
Trailing with 10:00 remaining.....	0-1-1
Tied with 10:00 remaining.....	0-0-2
Leading with 5:00 remaining.....	1-0-0
Trailing with 5:00 remaining.....	0-1-0
Tied with 5:00 remaining.....	0-0-3
Outshooting opponent.....	1-0-2
Being outshot by opponent.....	0-1-1
Tying in shots with opponent.....	0-0-0
Scoring no goals.....	0-1-1
Scoring one goal.....	0-0-2
Scoring two goals.....	0-0-0
Scoring three goals.....	1-0-0
Scoring four or more goals.....	0-0-0
Allowing no goals.....	0-0-1
Allowing one goal.....	1-1-2
Allowing two goals.....	0-0-0
Allowing three goals.....	0-0-0
Allowing four or more goals.....	0-0-0
In games reduced to 10 men.....	0-1-0
In games opponent was reduced to 10 men.....	0-0-0
On weekdays.....	0-0-2
On weekends.....	1-1-1
In March.....	1-0-3
In April.....	0-1-0
Vs. Eastern Conference.....	1-0-3
Vs. Western Conference.....	0-1-0

**Miscellaneous**

Current Streak.....	L1
Home Streak.....	D1
Road Streak.....	L1

**ACTIVE ROSTER**

Roster Size: 24 • Returners: 10 • Newcomers: 14

▶ **NUMERICAL**

No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Age	Hometown (Previous Club)
1	Christian Garner	GK	6'0"	180	23	Orleans, Mass. (Northwestern University)
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)
15	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)

▶ **ALPHABETICAL**

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13	Luke Biasi	D	6'0"	180	23	Buford, Ga. (Syracuse University)
7	Langston Blackstock	F	6'2"	185	22	Marietta, Ga. (Clayton State University)
18	Anders Bordoy	M	6'1"	155	18	New Kensington, Pa. (Riverhounds Academy)
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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	Ill-ALL O-soo-mah-noo
TOLA SHOWUNMI	TOW-la SHOW-un-me
Marc YBARRA	EE-bar-uh
Trevor ZWETSLOOT	ZVET-sloot

▶ 2023 USL CHAMPIONSHIP STATISTICS

**INDIVIDUAL**

No.	Name	GP	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG	FC	T	CL	PK	PKG	YC	RC
3	Pat Hogan	4	338	0	1	1	0	0	1	5	18	0	0	0	0
4	Dani Rovira	4	284	0	0	0	1	0	3	8	5	0	0	1	0
5	Arturo Ordóñez	5	449	0	1	1	5	0	11	9	15	0	0	2	1
6	Nate Dossantos	5	362	0	0	0	0	0	7	12	8	0	0	0	0
7	Langston Blackstock	2	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
8	Junior Etou	4	346	0	0	0	1	1	6	6	2	0	0	1	0
9	Albert Dikwa	5	439	3	0	6	7	3	6	2	2	1	1	1	0
10	DZ Harmon	1	23	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	Kenardo Forbes	5	388	0	0	0	2	0	4	6	2	0	0	1	0
12	Mike DeShields	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	Luke Biasi	4	218	0	0	0	0	0	2	10	4	0	0	1	0
14	Robbie Mertz	5	345	1	0	2	3	1	2	4	1	0	0	0	1
15	Joe Farrell	5	140	0	0	0	3	1	2	1	6	0	0	0	0
16	Burke Fahling	4	86	1	0	2	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
18	Anders Bordoy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	Edward Kizza	4	197	0	0	0	2	1	5	3	1	0	0	1	0
20	Trevor Zwestloot	2	86	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	1	0
22	Tony Lopez	4	199	0	0	0	5	3	6	6	1	0	0	0	0
23	Marc Ybarra	5	372	0	0	0	3	1	9	9	5	0	0	2	0
24	Tola Showunmi	5	156	0	1	1	4	2	5	1	2	0	0	0	0
28	Illal Osumanu	1	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	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	4	360	3	6	1	.667	0.75	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)

*\* italics denote Bench selection*

**USL CHAMPIONSHIP SAVE OF THE WEEK**

Jahmali Waite (Week 4 at Tulsa)

**HEAD COACH BOB LILLEY**



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 titles, earned Coach of the Year honors five times, and in 2010, he was inducted into the USL Hall of Fame as a coach.

**Accolades:** 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 the indoor circuit with the Hershey Impact (1988-91) and Harrisburg Heat of the National Professional Soccer League (1991-97) and the Pittsburgh Stingers of the Continental Indoor Soccer League in 1994.

**Experience:**  
23rd season  
(sixth with PIT)

**Date Hired:**  
November 14, 2017

**Hometown:**  
Fort Monmouth, N.J.

**Alma Mater:**  
George Mason University  
(1987)

**Accolades:**  
2015 USL Cup Champion  
2006 USL-1 Champion  
USL Hall of Fame (2010)  
Five-time Coach of the Year

**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 all-conference 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 USL CHAMPIONSHIP STANDINGS**

**Eastern**

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

**Western**

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

*\*\*Through matches played Thursday, April 13*

▶ **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'

**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)

**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')

**April 8: @Colorado Springs Switchbacks FC (L, 0-1)**

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

**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 Etou (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

▶ USL CHAMPIONSHIP LINE SCORES

Opponent	W/L/D	G	A	SH	SOG	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	1	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	1	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	1	8	2	67.1	85.7	3	2	17	1	0	2	0	0	1

▶ TEAM USL CHAMPIONSHIP STATISTICS

	G	A	SH	SOG	CK	OFF	FC	YC	RC	PK	PKG	OG	GA	SV	POS%
TOTAL:	5	3	54	14	26	13	74	12	2	1	1	0	4	7	-
AVG:	1.00	0.60	10.80	2.80	5.20	2.60	14.80	2.40	0.40	0.20	0.20	0.00	0.80	1.40	42%



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**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
- Played in college at Northwestern & Boston Coll.
- Six shutouts in 28 matches for Boston College

**GAME HIGHS**

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



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**PAT HOGAN**

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	4/4	338	0	1	1	0	0

**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

**GAME HIGHS**

- Minutes: 90 (two times)
- Goals: 0
- Assists: 1 (3/18 at MEM)
- Points: 1 (3/18 at MEM)
- Shots: 0
- SOG: 0



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**DANI ROVIRA**

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	4/3	284	0	0	0	1	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

**GAME HIGHS**

- Minutes: 90 (two times)
- Goals: 0
- Assists: 0
- Points: 0
- Shots: 1 (3/11 at BHM)
- SOG: 0



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**ARTURO ORDÓÑEZ**

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	5/5	449	0	1	1	5	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

**GAME HIGHS**

- Minutes: 90 (four times)
- Goals: 0
- Assists: 1 (3/11 at BHM)
- Points: 1 (3/11 at BHM)
- Shots: 2 (3/28 at TUL)
- SOG: 0



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**NATE DOSSANTOS**

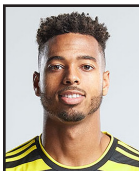
	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	5/5	362	0	0	0	0	0

**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

**GAME HIGHS**

- Minutes: 90 (3/28 at TUL)
- Goals: 0
- Assists: 0
- Points: 0
- Shots: 0
- SOG: 0



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**LANGSTON BLACKSTOCK**

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	2/0	18	0	0	0	0	0

**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

**GAME HIGHS**

- Minutes: 13 (3/24 vs. MIA)
- Goals: 0
- Assists: 0
- Points: 0
- Shots: 0
- SOG: 0



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**JUNIOR ETOOU**

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	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

**GAME HIGHS**

- Minutes: 90 (two times)
- Goals: 0
- Assists: 0
- Points: 0
- Shots: 1 (3/28 at TUL)
- SOG: 1 (3/28 at TUL)



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**ALBERT DIKWA**

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2022	5/5	439	3	0	6	7	3

**F • 6'1" • 165 • Garoua, Cameroon**

- Career-high games (33), goals (11), ast. (4) in '22
- Made 100th USLC appearance 6/11/22 at CHS
- First career hat trick 3/18 at Memphis

**GAME HIGHS**

- Minutes: 90 (four times)
- Goals: 3 (3/18 at MEM)
- Assists: 0
- Points: 6 (3/18 at MEM)
- Shots: 4 (3/18 at MEM)
- SOG: 3 (3/18 at MEM)



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**DZ HARMON**

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	1/0	0	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

**GAME HIGHS**

- Minutes: 23 (3/28 at TUL)
- Goals: 0
- Assists: 0
- Points: 0
- Shots: 1 (3/28 at TUL)
- SOG: 0



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**KENARDO FORBES**

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	5/5	388	0	0	0	2	0

**M • 5'9" • 170 • Kingston, Jamaica**

- Six-time All-USL selection ('16, '18-'22)
- All-time USL Championship assist leader with 55
- First in Hounds assists (44); 3rd in games pl. (160)

**GAME HIGHS**

- Minutes: 90 (two times)
- Goals: 0
- Assists: 0
- Points: 0
- Shots: 2 (3/28 at TUL)
- SOG: 0





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**MIKE DESHIELDS**

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

**D • 6'1" • 185 • Baltimore, Md.**

- Signed after 2022 with NE Revolution II (MLSNP)
- Previously played in USLC with Loudoun in '21
- Fifth overall pick in 2021 MLS Draft by DC United

**GAME HIGHS**

Minutes:	
Goals:	
Assists:	
Points:	
Shots:	
SOG:	



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**LUKE BIASI**

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	4/2	218	0	0	0	0	0

**D • 6'0" • 180 • Buford, Ga.**

- 14 appearances in first pro season w/Hounds
- Made appearances at both RB and LB as rookie
- Played in college at Syracuse and Memphis

**GAME HIGHS**

Minutes:	90 (two times)
Goals:	0
Assists:	0
Points:	0
Shots:	0
SOG:	0



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**ROBBIE MERTZ**

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	5/4	345	1	0	2	3	1

**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)

**GAME HIGHS**

Minutes:	90 (3/24 vs. MIA)
Goals:	1 (3/11 at BHM)
Assists:	0
Points:	2 (3/11 at BHM)
Shots:	2 (3/18 at MEM)
SOG:	1 (3/11 at BHM)



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**JOE FARRELL**

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	5/1	140	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

**GAME HIGHS**

Minutes:	90 (3/28 at TUL)
Goals:	0
Assists:	0
Points:	0
Shots:	2 (3/24 vs. MIA)
SOG:	1 (3/24 vs. MIA)



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**BURKE FAHLING**

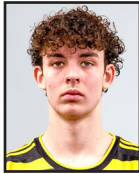
	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	4/1	86	1	0	2	2	1

**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)

**GAME HIGHS**

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)



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**ANDERS BORDOY**

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	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
- Trained in Riverhounds Academy since age 9
- Senior at Kiski Area High School

**GAME HIGHS**

Minutes:	
Goals:	
Assists:	
Points:	
Shots:	
SOG:	



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**EDWARD KIZZA**

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	4/3	197	0	0	0	2	1

**F • 5'9" • 175 • Kampala, Uganda**

- Signed permanent deal after loan spell in 2022
- Two goals in '22 Eastern Conf. QF at BHM
- Previously under contract w/New England (MLS)

**GAME HIGHS**

Minutes:	66 (3/24 vs. MIA)
Goals:	0
Assists:	0
Points:	0
Shots:	1 (two times)
SOG:	1 (3/18 at MEM)



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**TREVOR ZWETSLOOT**

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	2/1	86	0	0	0	0	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)

**GAME HIGHS**

Minutes:	85 (4/8 at COS)
Goals:	0
Assists:	0
Points:	0
Shots:	0
SOG:	0



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**TONY LOPEZ**

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	4/2	199	0	0	0	5	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

**GAME HIGHS**

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	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	5/4	372	0	0	0	3	1

**M • 6'0" • 180 • Ann Arbor, Mich.**

- Appeared in 23 matches as first-year pro
- Nine starts was 3rd among Hounds rookies in '22
- 2021 Big Ten Midfielder of the Year at Michigan

**GAME HIGHS**

Minutes:	90 (three times)
Goals:	0
Assists:	0
Points:	0
Shots:	1 (three times)
SOG:	1 (3/18 at MEM)







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**TOLA SHOWUNMI**

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	5/1	156	0	1	1	4	2

**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

**GAME HIGHS**  
Minutes: 67 (3/28 at TUL)  
Goals: 0  
Assists: 1 (3/18 at MEM)  
Points: 0  
Shots: 2 (3/11 at BHM)  
SOG: 1 (two times)



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**JAHMALI WAITE**

	GP/GS	W/L/T	S	GA	GAA	SV%
2023	4/4	1-1-2	6	3	0.75	.667

**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

**GAME HIGHS**  
Saves: 2 (two times)  
GA: 1 (three times)  
Clean sheets: 1



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**ILLAL OSUMANU**

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2023	1/0	11	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

**GAME HIGHS**  
Minutes: 11 (4/8 at COS)  
Goals: 0  
Assists: 0  
Points: 0  
Shots: 0  
SOG: 0



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**JONATHAN GOMES**

	GP/GS	W/L/T	S	GA	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

**GAME HIGHS**  
Saves:  
GA:  
Clean sheets:

