

PITTSBURGH RIVERHOUNDS SC (1-1-1) vs. BIRMINGHAM LEGION FC (0-1-2)

Saturday, March 29 >> 7 p.m. ET >> Highmark Stadium >> Pittsburgh, Pa.
 TV: KDKA+ >> Streaming: KDKA.com (local); ESPN+ (national)
 Radio: SiriusXM FC, Ch. 157; Radio Las Palmas, 92.9 FM HD2 (Spanish)

INSIDE THE MATCH



PITTSBURGH BIRMINGHAM

1-1-1	Record	0-1-2
T-4th	Conf. Standing	9th
1-1-1	Last Five	0-1-2
W1	Streak	D2
Bob Lilley	Head Coach	Tom Soehn
@RiverhoundsSC	X/Twitter	@bhml legion

All-Time Head-to-Head

Referee	6-1-3
Assistant referees	Nabil Bensalah
Fourth official	Art Arustamyan, Colin Ashley
Hounds injuries/inactives	Vitalii Firmanchuk
	OUT - Charles Ahl (ankle)
	OUT - Bertin Jacquesson (hamstring)
	QUESTIONABLE - Perrin Barnes (hamstring)

STAT COMPARISON

Hounds	Category	Birmingham
0.67	Scoring Average	1.33
1.00	Opponent Scoring Average	2.00
2	Goals Scored	4
3	Goals Allowed	6
-1	Goal Differential	-2
5.33	Shots/Game (excl. blocked)	7.33
3.00	SOG/Game	2.00
59%	Average possession	44%
7	Yellow Cards	8
0	Red Cards	0

LOOKING BACK

Hounds' Last Game

Riverhounds 1, Hartford Athletic 0
 Highmark Stadium, Pittsburgh, Pa. • March 22, 2025
 Game 3

Danny Griffin got his head on the end of a Junior Etou cross to score the only goal of the match in the 75th minute, giving the Hounds their first win of 2025 in the team's home opener. Eric Dick needed to make only one save as the team also recorded its first clean sheet of the season.

Last Meeting with Birmingham

Riverhounds 1, Birmingham Legion FC 1
 Highmark Stadium, Pittsburgh, Pa. • Sept. 28, 2024
 Regular season

The Hounds took a first-half lead when Edward Kizza headed home a free kick by Robbie Mertz for his fifth goal in six matches against the Legion. But the lead slipped away in the 79th minute when Stefano Pinho's curling shot from outside the box found the net.

GAME 4 - QUICK STRIKES

- The Riverhounds are now in their 26th season of competition, having first taken the field in 1999. Among professional teams currently in the USL, only the Charleston Battery and Richmond Kickers, both founded in 1993, are older.
- The next Hounds win at home will be their 100th in all competitions at Highmark Stadium, the team's home on Pittsburgh's South Shore that first opened in 2013.
- The Hounds are unbeaten at home all-time against the Legion with a 4-0-1 record, but last year's 1-1 draw in Pittsburgh represented the first dropped points at home in the series.
- Danny Griffin enters the season wearing the captain's armband for the second year. The sixth-year pro's durability is unmatched in club history, having 153 appearances across all competitions while missing only two league matches since his debut in 2020.
- Griffin scored the lone goal in last Saturday's 1-0 win over Hartford. It was his 12th goal overall for the Hounds, and he is the only player who has scored a goal every season of the 2020s decade for the club.
- Both of the Hounds' outside backs — Junior Etou and Luke Biasi — earned bench spots on this Week's USL Championship Team of the Week for their contributions in the win over Hartford.
- Augi Williams scored in his debut for the Hounds, becoming only the third player to do since 2018. The No. 5 scorer in USL Championship history now has 77 goals and has scored for six different teams (Portland, Los Angeles, San Diego, Charleston, Indy and Pittsburgh).
- Goalkeeper Eric Dick claimed the USL Championship's Golden Glove for the lowest goals-against average in 2024, allowing only 18 goals in 26 matches (0.69 GAA). He also recorded a team-record 14 clean sheets in 2024 on his way to Goalkeeper of the Year and First Team All-League honors.
- Hounds defender Beto Ydrach made his 13th international appearance for Puerto Rico on Tuesday night, starting in El Huracán Azul's friendly away from home against the Dominican Republic.
- Hounds coach Bob Lilley has amassed 406 wins leading professional clubs in his career, more than any active coach in U.S. pro leagues, men's or women's.
- In 242 matches played under Lilley in all competitions, the Hounds are 119-55-68 and have allowed just 220 goals, an average of 0.91 goals per game.

MILESTONE TRACKER

- Robbie Mertz entered the year with 18 goals and 19 assists for the Hounds. The only two players who have amassed 20 of each in Hounds' history are David Flavius (62, 26) and Kevin Kerr (32, 29).
- Eric Dick moved into sole possession of fifth in club history with 15 clean sheets, with last Saturday's shutout moving him out of a tie with Danny Vitiello (2020-21).

TEAM LEADERS

Hounds	Category	Birmingham
D. Griffin/A. Williams, 1	Goals	Ronaldo Damus, 2
Junior Etou, 1	Assists	Roman Torres, 2
Three tied, 1	Goal Contrib. (G+A)	R. Damus/R. Torres, 2
Danny Griffin, 5	Shots	Preston Tabort Etaka, 5
Four tied, 270	Minutes	Four tied, 270
L. Biasi/J. Walti, 7	Tackles	Roman Torres, 9
Sean Suber, 14	Clearances	Ramiz Hamouda, 18
Seven tied, 1	Yellow Cards	Ramiz Hamouda, 2
None	Red Cards	None
Eric Dick, 1.00	GAA	Matt Van Oekel, 2.00
Eric Dick, .500	SV%	Matt Van Oekel, .625

2025 SCHEDULE & RECORD

USL Championship Record: 1-1-1

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

MARCH

Sat. 8	@North Carolina FC	SNP	D, 1-1
Sat. 15	@San Antonio FC	SNP	L, 0-2
Sat. 22	Hartford Athletic	SNP, TUDN	W, 1-0
Sat. 29	Birmingham Legion FC	KDKA+	7 p.m.

APRIL

Sat. 12	@Charleston Battery	KDKA+	7:30 p.m.
Tu-We 15-16	*U.S. Open Cup Third Round		TBD
Sat. 19	@Loudoun United FC	KDKA+	4:30 p.m.
Sat. 26	**@Detroit City FC	SNP	4 p.m.

MAY

Sat. 3	North Carolina FC	KDKA+	7 p.m.
Sat. 10	@Louisville City FC	SNP	7:30 p.m.
Sat. 17	@Colo. Springs Switchbacks	KDKA+	9 p.m.
Sat. 24	@Rhode Island FC	KDKA+	4 p.m.
Sat. 31	**Rhode Island FC	KDKA+	7 p.m.

JUNE

Sat. 7	Detroit City FC	KDKA+	7 p.m.
Sat. 14	@Indy Eleven	SNP	7 p.m.
Sat. 21	Tampa Bay Rowdies	KDKA+	7 p.m.
Sat. 28	**Westchester SC	KDKA+	7 p.m.

JULY

Fri. 4	New Mexico United	KDKA+	7 p.m.
Sun. 13	Loudoun United FC	CBSSN	5 p.m.
Fri. 18	@Detroit City FC	ESPN2	7 p.m.
Fri. 25	**@Portland Hearts of Pine	SNP+	6:30 p.m.
Tues. 29	Miami FC	ESPN2	7 p.m.

AUGUST

Sat. 2	Rhode Island FC	SNP	7 p.m.
Sat. 9	Orange County SC	KDKA+	7 p.m.
Sat. 16	Charleston Battery	SNP	7 p.m.
Sat. 23	@Birmingham Legion FC	KDKA+	8 p.m.
Sat. 30	@Tampa Bay Rowdies	SNP	7:30 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

Sat. 6	@Oakland Roots SC	SNP	10 p.m.
Sat. 13	Louisville City FC	KDKA+	7 p.m.
Sat. 20	@Hartford Athletic	KDKA+	7 p.m.
Sat. 27	Las Vegas Lights FC	KDKA+	7 p.m.

OCTOBER

Sat. 4	@Miami FC	KDKA+	7 p.m.
Sat. 11	Indy Eleven	KDKA+	7 p.m.
Sat. 18	@Monterey Bay FC	SNP	10 p.m.
Sat. 25	Phoenix Rising FC	KDKA+	7 p.m.

*Indicates U.S. Open Cup matches

**Indicates USL Jägermeister Cup matches

CLUB HISTORY

Career records

Most Appearances	Kenardo Forbes, 226
Most Goals	David Flavius, 62
Most Assists	Kenardo Forbes, 55
Most Clean Sheets	Randy Dedini, 29
Most Coaching Wins	Bob Lilley, 119
All-time Record (1999-present)	297-270-167
Record at Highmark Stadium ('13-present)	99-49-55

Season records

Most Goals	Thiago Martins, 23 (2003)
Most Assists	Justin Evans, 14 (1999)
Most Minutes (*reg. season)	Danny Griffin, 3,055 (2022)
Most Clean Sheets	Eric Dick, 14 (2024)
Most Wins	23 (2023)

*Except where noted, records include all competitions

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 2025 WHEN...

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

Miscellaneous

Current Streak.....	W1
Home Streak.....	W3
Road Streak	L1

ACTIVE ROSTER

Roster Size: 22 • Returners: 13 • Newcomers: 9

NUMERICAL

No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Age	Hometown (Previous Club)
1	Eric Dick	GK	6'5"	220	30	Roeland Park, Kan. (Minnesota United FC)
2	Danny Griffin	M	5'9"	167	26	Wethersfield, Conn. (Huntsville City FC)
3	Perrin Barnes	D	5'11"	175	24	Aurora, Ill. (Grove United)
4	Aidan O'Toole	M	5'10"	175	23	The Hills, Texas (University of Denver)
5	Sean Suber	D	6'0"	180	23	Charlotte, N.C. (Huntsville City FC)
6	Max Broughton	D	6'2"	170	24	Rawtenstall, England (West Virginia University)
8	Junior Etou	M	5'9"	158	30	Paris, France (Tampa Bay Rowdies)
9	Augi Williams	F	6'3"	180	27	Freetown, Sierra Leone (Indy Eleven)
10	Bertin Jacquesson	F	6'0"	175	23	Fontainebleau, France (Real Salt Lake)
12	Charles Ahl	M	5'9"	145	22	Winter Park, Fla. (Stetson University)
13	Luke Biasi	D	6'0"	180	25	Buford, Ga. (Syracuse University)
14	Robbie Mertz	M	5'7"	155	28	Pittsburgh, Pa. (Atlanta United 2)
15	Bradley Sample	M	6'0"	160	24	Channahon, Ill. (University of Louisville)
16	Beto Ydrach	D	6'0"	180	23	Orlando, Fla. (University of Akron)
17	Brigham Larsen	F	6'4"	200	22	Oslo, Norway (Univ. of North Carolina-Charlotte)
18	Jorge Garcia	M	5'9"	145	23	Lawrenceville, Ga. (Villanova University)
20	Jason Bouregy	M	5'9"	145	23	Paramus, N.J. (Villanova University)
28	Illal Osumanu	D	6'0"	186	28	Accra, Ghana (Union Omaha)
31	Jacob Randolph	GK	6'4"	235	23	New Orleans, La. (Univ. of North Carolina-Wilmington)
42	Jackson Walti	M	5'9"	172	25	St. Augustine, Fla. (Colorado Rapids 2)
67	Ben Martino	GK	6'5"	205	22	Pittsburgh, Pa. (Nashville SC)
70	Pablo Linzoain	F	5'7"	155	18	Pittsburgh, Pa. (Riverhounds Academy)

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TECHNICAL STAFF

Head Coach: Bob Lilley
 Assistant Coach: Rob Vincent
 Goalkeepers Coach: Jon Busch
 Sporting Director: Dan Visser

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Charles AHL	ALL
PERRIN Barnes	PAIR-in
Luke BIASI	BEE-ah-see
Jason BOUREGY	BOR-gee
Max BROUGHTON	BRAW-ton
JORGE Garcia	HOR-hay
Junior ETOU	EH-too
BERTIN JACQUESSON	BEHR-tan ZHA-kess-on
ILLAL OSUMANU	Ill-ALL O-soo-mah-noo
Jackson WALT	WALL-tee
BETO YDRACH	BET-o EE-drach

▶ 2025 USL CHAMPIONSHIP STATISTICS

INDIVIDUAL

No.	Name	GP	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG	FC	T	CL	PK	PKG	YC	RC
2	Danny Griffin	3	270	1	0	2	5	2	6	1	3	0	0	1	0
3	Perrin Barnes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	Aidan O'Toole	3	85	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	3	0	0	0	0
5	Sean Suber	3	270	0	0	0	3	2	0	5	14	0	0	0	0
6	Max Broughton	3	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	7	0	0	0	0
8	Junior Etou	3	245	0	1	1	1	1	3	5	7	0	0	0	0
9	Augi Williams	3	269	1	0	2	1	1	5	1	2	0	0	1	0
10	Bertin Jacquesson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	Charles Ahl	1	36	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
13	Luke Biasi	3	257	0	0	0	0	0	3	7	6	0	0	1	0
14	Robbie Mertz	3	262	0	0	0	0	0	5	3	2	0	0	1	0
15	Bradley Sample	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16	Beto Ydrach	3	249	0	0	0	3	1	3	2	13	0	0	1	0
17	Brigham Larsen	3	14	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
18	Jorge Garcia	2	74	0	0	0	1	0	5	1	0	0	0	1	0
20	Jason Bouregy	3	167	0	0	0	1	1	3	1	4	0	0	0	0
28	Illal Osumanu	3	191	0	0	0	0	0	4	2	13	0	0	1	0
42	Jackson Walti	3	270	0	0	0	0	0	4	7	3	0	0	0	0
70	Pablo Linzoain	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

GOALKEEPERS

No.	Name	GP	MIN	GA	SV	CS	PKS	SV%	GAA	YC	RC
1	Eric Dick	3	270	3	3	1	0	.500	1.00	0	0
31	Jacob Randolph	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
67	Ben Martino	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

▶ 2025 HONORS

USL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM OF THE WEEK

Luke Biasi - Defender (Week 3)
Junior Etou - Defender (Week 3)

***italics denote Bench selection*

HEAD COACH BOB LILLEY



Experience:
25th season
(eighth with PIT)

Date Hired:
November 14, 2017

Hometown:
Fort Monmouth, N.J.

Alma Mater:
George Mason University

Accolades:
2023 USL Championship
2015 USL Championship
2006 USL-1 Champion
USL Hall of Fame (2010)
Six-time Coach of the Year

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

Across 24 seasons of head coaching at the pro level, Lilley holds an all-time record of 405-195-189, giving him more wins than any other active coach at in the U.S. at the professional club level. Excluding his one season coaching indoor soccer, he has 383 wins leading outdoor professional clubs, more than any coach in U.S. pro league history — men's or women's — stretching from the present day to before the beginning of the original NASL (1968-84). He has logged at least a .500 winning percentage during every regular season, and he has led his team into the postseason every year.

In seven seasons leading the Hounds, the veteran head coach has transformed the team into a perennial contender. The Hounds have qualified for the postseason in all seven seasons under Lilley after reaching the playoffs in only 8 of 18 seasons prior to his arrival.

In 2023, Lilley and the Hounds had their most successful season to date by posting a 19-5-10 record and winning the USL Championship Players' Shield for the first time with the league's best record. The team also advanced to the quarterfinals of the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup for only the second time, knocking off a pair of MLS teams in the process, and their 23 overall wins established a new single-season record across all competitions. For his work, Lilley was named Coach of the Year for the second time in the USL Championship and the sixth time overall.

His time in Pittsburgh has been marked by new levels of success for the team, which also includes a 19-4-11 regular-season record in 2019. The 68 points were the most in team history, as the team finished atop the USL Championship Eastern Conference standings. The club also made the postseason in his first year, 2018, ending a two-season playoff drought with the first-ever playoff match at Highmark Stadium. Lilley has posted a 118-54-67 overall record with the Hounds, the most wins by any coach in club history, and the most for Lilley at any of his career's coaching stops.

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 a 102-48-53 overall record, the highlight of which was 2015, in which his team went 17-1-10 in the regular season en route to the Rhinos' last USL title. He was named Coach of the Year in 2015, an honor he also took in 2010, when Rochester won the USSF Division 2 Professional League regular-season title. Before joining Rochester, 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 went 22-8, the best record in the league.

For three seasons (2005-07), Lilley served as head coach for the Vancouver Whitecaps of the USL First Division, winning his first 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, reaching the A-League final in 2001, and he was named Coach of the Year in 1997, his first campaign as a pro head coach.



SPORTING DIRECTOR

DAN VISSER

- 10th season with club; second as Sporting Dir.
- Joined as assistant coach in July 2016
- West Chester, Pa. native

Dan Visser enters his ninth full season with Riverhounds SC and his second in a new role as Sporting Director, overseeing the soccer aspect of the club at both the professional and academy levels. He holds bachelor's degrees in math and economics from Messiah College, and he received his Master of Business Administration from Eastern University (Pa.).

He first came to the club as an assistant coach midway through the 2016 season as part of head coach Dave Brandt's staff. Prior to arriving in Pittsburgh, Visser also 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, and he began his coaching career as an assistant coach and recruiting coordinator at Eastern University while completing his MBA.

Visser played collegiately as a midfielder at Messiah 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.



ASSISTANT COACH

ROB VINCENT

- 11th season with club; second as Asst. Coach
- Hounds player 2013-15; RDA coach 2018-23
- Liverpool, England native

Rob Vincent is entering his second season as the assistant coach for the Hounds pro team after six seasons leading ECNL teams in the Riverhounds Development Academy.

A youth player with Everton, Crewe Alexandra and Stockport County in England, Vincent came to the United States to play college soccer at the University of Charleston (W.Va.) from 2009-12. He starred for the Golden Eagles and was three times named a First Team Division II All-American.

Vincent signed with Hounds in 2013, the same year Highmark Stadium opened, and played three years for the club. In 2015, the midfielder had a breakout season with 21 goals in all competitions — still tied for the second-most in club history — and was named to the USL All-League First Team.

Prior to the 2016 season, MLS team D.C. United reached a transfer agreement with Hounds to bring Vincent to Washington, and by season's end, he was a regular starter for playoff-bound United. He began 2017 in a similar role, but he suffered a knee injury in the team's second match that ended his season.

In 2018, Vincent announced his retirement as a player and returned to the Hounds in his academy role.



GKs COACH

JON BUSCH

- Third season with club
- Joined club in current role in January 2023
- New York, N.Y. native

Jon Busch is in his third 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 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.

▶ 2025 USL CHAMPIONSHIP STANDINGS

Eastern

Team	GP	RECORD	PTS	GF	GA	GD
Detroit City FC	3	2-0-1	7	6	3	+3
Louisville City FC	3	2-0-1	7	5	2	+3
Loudoun United FC	3	2-1-0	6	5	4	+1
North Carolina FC	3	1-1-1	4	3	3	0
Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC	3	1-1-1	4	2	3	-1
Indy Eleven	2	1-0-1	4	4	2	+2
Charleston Battery	2	1-1-0	3	3	2	+1
Tampa Bay Rowdies	3	1-2-0	3	2	3	-1
Birmingham Legion FC	3	0-1-2	2	4	6	-2
Rhode Island FC	2	0-1-1	1	2	4	-2
Hartford Athletic	2	0-2-0	0	0	3	-3
Miami FC	3	0-3-0	0	2	7	-5

Western

Team	GP	RECORD	PTS	GF	GA	GD
San Antonio FC	3	3-0-0	9	5	1	+4
Monterey Bay FC	3	2-1-0	6	6	3	+3
New Mexico United	3	2-1-0	6	5	4	+1
FC Tulsa	3	2-1-0	6	2	1	+1
Lexington SC	3	1-0-2	5	5	3	+2
Sacramento Republic FC	2	1-0-1	4	4	3	+1
Orange County SC	3	1-1-1	4	6	7	-1
Las Vegas Lights FC	2	1-1-0	3	3	3	0
El Paso Locomotive FC	3	0-1-2	2	6	7	-1
Phoenix Rising FC	3	0-1-2	2	6	7	-1
Colo. Springs Switchbacks	3	0-1-2	2	5	6	-1
Oakland Roots SC	3	0-3-0	0	5	9	-4

*Standings through Thursday, March 27

▶ 2025 GOAL LOG

RIVERHOUNDS SC

- 3/8: @NC - Augi Williams 57'
- 3/22: HFD - Danny Griffin 75' (Junior Etou)

OPPOSITION

- 3/8: @NC - Evan Conway 22' (Louis Pérez)
- 3/15: @SA - Jorge Hernandez 54' (Jimmy Medranda)
- 3/15: @SA - Luke Haakenson 88' (Alex Greive)

▶ 2025 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	0	9	5	64.0	81.2	5	0	11	0	0	2	0	0	1
@North Carolina		1	1	6	2	36.0	70.8	3	0	23	0	0	1	0	0	4
HOUNDS	L	0	0	6	1	52.1	76.9	6	3	20	0	0	4	0	0	1
@San Antonio		2	2	12	3	47.9	74.2	4	2	17	0	0	2	0	0	1
HOUNDS	W	1	1	6	3	62.1	82.4	4	0	15	0	0	1	0	0	1
Hartford		0	0	9	1	37.9	66.8	2	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	2

▶ 2025 TEAM USL CHAMPIONSHIP STATISTICS

	G	A	SH	SOG	CK	OFF	FC	YC	RC	PK	PKG	OG	GA	SV	POSS %
TOTAL:	2	1	21	9	15	3	46	7	0	0	0	0	3	3	-
AVG:	0.67	1.00	7.00	3.00	5.00	1.00	15.33	2.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	59%

March 8: @North Carolina FC (D, 1-1)

Eric Dick
 Junior Etou
 Sean Suber
 Beto Ydrach (Illal Osumanu 69')
 Luke Biasi (Aidan O'Toole 87')
 Jackson Walti
 Danny Griffin
 Robbie Mertz (Brigham Larsen 87')
 Jorge Garcia (Charles Ahl 54')
 Jason Bouregy (Max Broughton 69')
 Augi Williams

March 15: @San Antonio FC (L, 0-2)

Eric Dick
 Luke Biasi (Brigham Larsen 80')
 Sean Suber
 Beto Ydrach
 Illal Osumanu (Max Broughton 80')
 Jackson Walti
 Danny Griffin
 Junior Etou (Aidan O'Toole 70')
 Robbie Mertz
 Jason Bouregy (Jorge Garcia 70')
 Augi Williams

March 22: Hartford Athletic (W, 1-0)

Eric Dick
 Junior Etou (Max Broughton 85')
 Sean Suber
 Illal Osumanu
 Luke Biasi
 Beto Ydrach
 Jackson Walti
 Robbie Mertz (Bradley Sample 85')
 Danny Griffin
 Aidan O'Toole (Jason Bouregy 62')
 Augi Williams (Brigham Larsen 89')



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ERIC DICK

	GP/GS	W/L/D	S	GA	GAA	SV%
2025	3/3	1-1-1	3	3	1.00	.500

GK • 6'5" • 220 • Roeland Park, Kan.

- 2024 Championship Goalkeeper of the Year
- 0.69 GAA in 2024 to win Golden Glove
- Set club record with 14 shutouts in 2024 season

Saves: 1 (three times)
GA: 2 (3/15 at SA)
Clean sheets: 1

2025 HIGHS



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DANNY GRIFFIN

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2025	3/3	270	1	0	2	5	2

M • 5'9" • 167 • Wethersfield, Conn.

- Second season as Riverhounds captain
- Team record 85 straight league matches ('20-'22)
- Led team in minutes played in 2021, '22 and '24

Minutes: 90 (three times)
Goals: 1 (3/22 vs. HFD)
Assists: 0
Points: 2 (3/22 vs. HFD)
Shots: 3 (3/22 vs. HFD)
SOG: 1 (two times)

2025 HIGHS



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PERRIN BARNES

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2025	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0

D • 5'11" • 175 • Aurora, Ill.

- Turned pro with Huntsville (MLSNP) in 2023
- Played 2024 in NPSL after recovering from injury
- All-Big East Tourney selection at Butler Univ.

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

2025 HIGHS



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AIDAN O'TOOLE

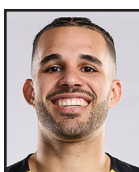
	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2025	3/1	85	0	0	0	0	0

M • 5'10" • 175 • The Hills, Texas

- First league start 3/22/25 vs. Hartford
- Made pro debut 4/6/24 vs. Tampa Bay
- Set Univ. of Denver record with 87 games played

Minutes: 62 (3/22 vs. HFD)
Goals: 0
Assists: 0
Points: 0
Shots: 0
SOG: 0

2025 HIGHS



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SEAN SUBER

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2025	3/3	270	0	0	0	3	2

D • 6'0" • 185 • Charlotte, N.C.

- Started 25 matches in first season with Hounds
- First professional goal on 7/13/24 vs. Oakland
- Turned pro with Huntsville (MLSNP) in 2023

Minutes: 90 (three times)
Goals: 0
Assists: 0
Points: 0
Shots: 3 (3/8 at NC)
SOG: 2 (3/8 at NC)

2025 HIGHS



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MAX BROUGHTON

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2025	3/0	36	0	0	0	0	0

D • 6'2" • 170 • Rawtenstall, England

- Second-team All-American at West Virginia in '24
- Three appearances for England U-17 Nat'l Team
- Made pro debut 3/8/25 at North Carolina

Minutes: 21 (3/8 at NC)
Goals: 0
Assists: 0
Points: 0
Shots: 0
SOG: 0

2025 HIGHS



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JUNIOR ETOU

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2025	3/3	245	0	1	1	1	1

M • 5'9" • 158 • Paris, France

- Re-signed in offseason to return for third season
- Fastest goal in team history (:21) 6/10/23 vs. CHS
- Made int'l debut for Congo on 9/5/24 vs. S.Sudan

Minutes: 90 (3/8 at NC)
Goals: 0
Assists: 1 (3/22 vs. HFD)
Points: 1 (3/22 vs. HFD)
Shots: 1 (3/22 vs. HFD)
SOG: 1 (3/22 vs. HFD)

2025 HIGHS



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AUGI WILLIAMS

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2025	3/3	269	1	0	2	1	1

F • 6'3" • 180 • Freetown, Sierra Leone

- Fifth on USL Championship's career goals list (77)
- Seven international appearances for Sierra Leone
- Scored in Hounds debut 3/8/25 at North Carolina

Minutes: 90 (two times)
Goals: 1 (3/8 at NC)
Assists: 0
Points: 2 (3/8 at NC)
Shots: 1 (3/8 at NC)
SOG: 1 (3/8 at NC)

2025 HIGHS



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BERTIN JACQUESSON

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2025	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0

F • 6'0" • 175 • Fontainebleau, France

- Signed new deal after arriving on loan in 2024
- Scored in Hounds debut 9/7/24 vs. Rhode Island
- First career hat trick on 10/5/24 at Miami

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

2025 HIGHS



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CHARLES AHL

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2025	1/0	36	0	0	0	1	1

M • 5'9" • 145 • Winter Park, Fla.

- 2024 Atlantic Sun Player of the Year for Stetson
- Three-time All-Atlantic Sun; 18 college assists
- Made pro debut 3/8/25 at North Carolina

Minutes: 36 (3/8 at NC)
Goals: 0
Assists: 0
Points: 0
Shots: 1 (3/8 at NC)
SOG: 1 (3/8 at NC)

GAME HIGHS





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LUKE BIASI

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2025	3/3	257	0	0	0	0	0

D • 6'0" • 180 • Buford, Ga.

- Most tenured defender on team (fourth season)
- Career-high 31 appearances in 2024 season
- Four assists in 2023 was third on team

Minutes: 90 (3/22 vs. HFD)
Goals: 0
Assists: 0
Points: 0
Shots: 0
SOG: 0



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ROBBIE MERTZ

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2025	3/3	262	0	0	0	0	0

M • 5'7" • 155 • Pittsburgh, Pa.

- Fifth overall season with team over two stints
- Only player to appear in every 2024 match
- 1 of 4 players w/18+ goals & 18+ assists for PIT

Minutes: 90 (3/15 at SA)
Goals: 0
Assists: 0
Points: 0
Shots: 0
SOG: 0



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BRADLEY SAMPLE

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2025	1/0	5	0	0	0	0	0

M • 6'0" • 160 • Channahon, Ill.

- Second-year pro out of University of Louisville
- Goal of the Week for first pro goal 9/7/24 vs. RI
- Appeared in 30 matches in first season

Minutes: 5 (3/22 vs. HFD)
Goals: 0
Assists: 0
Points: 0
Shots: 0
SOG: 0



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BETO YDRACH

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2025	3/3	249	0	0	0	3	1

D • 6'0" • 180 • Orlando, Fla.

- Big East Defender of the Year in 2024 with Akron
- 13 international appearances for Puerto Rico
- Started in pro debut 3/8/25 at North Carolina

Minutes: 90 (two times)
Goals: 0
Assists: 0
Points: 0
Shots: 2 (3/22 vs. HFD)
SOG: 1 (3/22 vs. HFD)



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BRIGHAM LARSEN

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2025	3/0	14	0	0	0	0	0

F • 6'4" • 200 • Oslo, Norway

- First-year pro out of UNC-Charlotte
- Scored winning goal in '24 AAC final vs. Fla. Int'l
- Made pro debut 3/8/25 at North Carolina

Minutes: 13 (3/15 at SA)
Goals: 0
Assists: 0
Points: 0
Shots: 0
SOG: 0



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JORGE GARCIA

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2025	2/1	74	0	0	0	1	0

M • 5'9" • 145 • Lawrenceville, Ga.

- First-year pro out of Villanova
- Two goals for Hounds during 2025 preseason
- Started in pro debut 3/8/25 at North Carolina

Minutes: 54 (3/8 at NC)
Goals: 0
Assists: 0
Points: 0
Shots: 1 (3/8 at NC)
SOG: 0



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JASON BOUREGY

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2025	3/2	167	0	0	0	1	1

M • 5'9" • 145 • Paramus, N.J.

- First-year pro out of Villanova
- First-team All-Big East in 2024 with 4 goals, 8 ast.
- Started in pro debut 3/8/25 at North Carolina

Minutes: 70 (3/15 at SA)
Goals: 0
Assists: 0
Points: 0
Shots: 1 (3/15 at SA)
SOG: 1 (3/15 at SA)



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ILLAL OSUMANU

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2025	3/2	191	0	0	0	0	0

D • 6'0" • 186 • Accra, Ghana

- Re-signed in December to return for third season
- First career goal: 90th min. winner 6/24/23 vs. SD
- USL League One champion with Omaha in 2021

Minutes: 90 (3/22 vs. HFD)
Goals: 0
Assists: 0
Points: 0
Shots: 0
SOG: 0



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JACOB RANDOLPH

	GP/GS	W/L/T	S	GA	GAA	SV%
2025	0/0	0-0-0	0	0	0.00	-

GK • 6'4" • 235 • New Orleans, La.

- Second-year pro out of UNC-Wilmington
- Made professional debut 6/15/24 at Hartford
- First career shutout 6/22/24 at North Carolina

Saves:
GA:
Clean sheets:



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JACKSON WALT

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2026	3/3	270	0	0	0	0	0

M • 5'9" • 172 • St. Augustine, Fla.

- First professional goal 8/17/24 vs. Colo. Springs
- Started 11 of final 12 matches in 2024
- Played for Austin, Colorado in MLSNP in 2023

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





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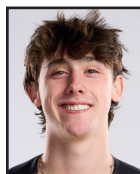
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	GP/GS	W/L/T	S	GA	GAA	SV%
2025	0/0	0-0-0	0	0	0.00	-

GK • 6'5" • 205 • Pittsburgh, Pa.

- Signed as free agent in March
- Made 30 starts in '23-24 with Huntsville (MLSNP)
- Played in Hounds Academy as youth player

2025 HIGHS
Saves:
GA:
Clean sheets:



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PABLO LINZOAIN

	GP/GS	MIN	G	A	PTS	SH	SOG
2025	0/0	0	0	0	0	0	0

F • 5'7" • 155 • Pittsburgh, Pa.

- Made senior-level debut 6/1/24 vs. Indy Eleven
- Second-youngest player to debut w/Hounds (17)
- Senior at nearby Fox Chapel Area High School

2025 HIGHS
Minutes:
Goals:
Assists:
Points:
Shots:
SOG: