

FORT WAYNE FC (0-1-0) at SARASOTA PARADISE (0-1-0)



7:30 p.m. March 14, 2026, at Premier Sports Campus at Lakewood Ranch

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2026 SCHEDULE

March 7: at FC Naples, 2-0, loss (0-1-0)
March 14: at Sarasota Paradise, 7:30 p.m.
March 28: at New York Cosmos, 2 p.m.
April 11: at Chattanooga Red Wolves SC, 7 p.m.
April 25: at Louisville City FC, 7 p.m.*
May 2: vs. Charlotte Independence, 7:30 p.m.
May 6: vs. Portland Hearts of Pine, 7:30 p.m.
May 9: vs. Westchester SC, 7:30 p.m.
May 16: vs. Indy Eleven, 7:30 p.m.*
May 20: vs. Corpus Christi FC, 7:30 p.m.
May 23: at Athletic Club Boise, 9 p.m.
May 30: vs. AV Alta FC, 7:30 p.m.
June 6: at Union Omaha, 8 p.m.*
June 10: at Westchester SC, 7 p.m.
June 17: at Forward Madison FC, 8 p.m.
June 20: at Richmond Kickers, 7 p.m.
July 4: vs. Spokane Velocity, 7:30 p.m.
July 11: vs. Detroit City FC, 7:30 p.m.*
July 15: at One Knoxville SC, 6:30 p.m.
July 18: vs. Greenville Triumph SC, 7:30 p.m.
July 25: at Spokane Velocity FC, 9 p.m.
Aug. 1: vs. Union Omaha, 7:30 p.m.
Aug. 8: at AV Alta FC, 11 p.m.
Aug. 15: vs. Chattanooga Red Wolves SC, 7:30 p.m.
Aug. 29: at Portland Hearts of Pine, 7 p.m.
Sept. 2: vs. Richmond Kickers, 7:30 p.m.
Sept. 5: vs. New York Cosmos, 7:30 p.m.
Sept. 12: at Greenville Triumph SC, 7 p.m.
Sept. 16: vs. One Knoxville SC, 7:30 p.m.
Sept. 19: vs. FC Naples, 7:30 p.m.
Sept. 26: at Charlotte Independence, 7 p.m.
Oct. 3: vs. Forward Madison, 7:30 p.m.
Oct. 7: at Corpus Christi FC, 8:30 p.m.
Oct. 10: at Union Omaha, 5 p.m.
Oct. 17: vs. Sarasota Paradise, 7:30 p.m.
Oct. 24: vs. Athletic Club Boise, 7:30 p.m.

*Prinx Tires USL Cup Match

TECHNICAL STAFF



Season-by-season

	<u>W-L-T</u>
2021:	1-8-5
2022:	9-3-2
2023:	10-1-2
2024:	9-3-2
2025:	10-3-1
<i>USL League One</i>	
2026:	0-1-0
Career:	39-19-12

Fort Wayne Football Club's head coach since its inception, Mike Avery led the team to division titles in 2023, 2024 and 2025 in the pre-professional level of USL League Two. The club reached the conference semifinals in 2024 and 2025, and Avery compiled a 39-18-12 record in USL League Two. ... Previously, Avery was head coach at Valparaiso University (2007-2020), an assistant coach at the University of Louisville (2006-2007), an assistant at the University of Notre Dame (2000-2006), head coach at Cal State San Bernardino (1997-1999), and head coach at Bethel University (1994-1996). He also served as the interim head coach at Trine University in 2024. ... As a player, he followed a standout career at Westmont College in Santa Barbara, California, with professional play for Real Santa Barbara, in Sweden for Askims IK, and with the Indiana Invaders in South Bend.



Keelan Barker has been an assistant coach with Fort Wayne Football Club since 2020. ... As head coach at Indiana Tech from 2024 to 2025, he had a 31-7-6 record and won two Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Tournaments, reached two NAIA Tournaments, and qualified for the 2025 quarterfinals.

ADDITIONAL STAFF

DaMarcus Beasley: Director of Football Operations
Oliver Gage: Sporting Director
Max Rose: Goalkeepers coach
Rene Sanchez: Team Administrator & Player Care Officer
Zach Gladieux: Equipment Manager
Lucca Motta: Sports Data Analyst

PSM X ONE

Alex Parr: Athletic Trainer
Eli Sommer: Human Performance Specialist
Zachary Nagel: Human Performance Specialist

ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

#	First Name	Surname	Position	Birthday	Hometown	Height	Weight
30	Ian	Abbey	Forward	April 9, 2004	Elmer, New Jersey	5-7	140
86	Javier	Armas	Midfielder	Jan. 13, 2000	A Coruña, Spain	5-11	176
10	Clarence	Awoudor	Midfielder	Sept. 23, 2003	Saint-Lô, France	5-7	152
21	Ryan	Becher	Midfielder	April 4, 2001	Hummelstown, Pennsylvania	6-3	197
96	Aurie	Briscoe	Goalkeeper	June 26, 2001	Edgewood, New Jersey	6-0	193
4	Tiago	Dias	Defender	June 17, 2001	Portimão, Portugal	6-2	180
8	Jeremy	Garay	Midfielder	April 1, 2003	Woodbridge, Virginia	5-9	142
11	Taig	Healy	Midfielder	Oct. 31, 2003	South Hampton, New Hampshire	5-7	152
22	Anthony	Hernandez	Defender	June 7, 2003	Pickerington, Ohio	5-6	135
6	JP	Jordan	Midfielder	Feb. 7, 2003	Keller, Texas	5-9	150
41	James	Musa	Midfielder	April 1, 1992	Plymouth, England	6-1	182
9	Daniel	Oyetunde	Forward	Nov. 26, 2006	London, England	5-8	161
13	Michael	Rempel	Defender	Oct. 4, 2001	Asunción, Paraguay	5-11	153
7	Lilian	Ricol	Forward	Oct. 23, 2002	Paris, France	6-3	194
1	Bernd	Schipmann	Goalkeeper	July 5, 1994	Münster, Germany	6-4	266
2	Jayden	Smith	Defender	March 29, 2006	Coventry, England	6-1	167
19	Juan	Solis	Defender	Jan. 27, 2005	Tulua, Colombia	6-8	225
5	Reid	Sproat	Defender	May 30, 2001	Auburn, Indiana	6-1	201
34	Trace	Terry	Forward	Oct. 19, 2003	Bellbrook, Ohio	6-2	184
23	Jack	Thomas	Midfielder	June 12, 2004	Whittington, England	5-6	123

NUMERICAL ROSTER

#	First Name	Surname	Position	Birthday	Hometown
1	Bernd	Schipmann	Goalkeeper	July 5, 1994	Münster, Germany
2	Jayden	Smith	Defender	March 29, 2006	Coventry, England
4	Tiago	Dias	Defender	June 17, 2001	Portimão, Portugal
5	Reid	Sproat	Defender	May 30, 2001	Auburn, Indiana
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96	Aurie	Briscoe	Goalkeeper	June 26, 2001	Edgewood, New Jersey

2026 PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

IAN ABBEY: EE-YAN | AB-EE

JAVIER ARMAS: KHAH-VYEHR | KHAR-MAHS

CLARENCE AWOUDOR: CLAIR-ANTS | AH-WOO-DOOR

RYAN BECHER: RYE-ANN | BETCH-ER

AURIE BRISOE: AH-REE | BRIS-KOE

TIAGO DIAS: TEE-AH-GO | DEE-AH-SH

JEREMY GARAY: JEHR-AH-MEE | GAHR-RAY

TYSON HAGAMAN: TIE-SON | HAY-GAH-MEN

TAIG HEALY: TAY-G | HEEL-EE

ANTHONY HERNANDEZ: ANN-THONY | HEHR-NAHN-DEZ

JP JORDAN: JAY-PEE | JOR-DONE

JAMES MUSA: JAYMES | MOOSE-UH

DANIEL OYETUNDE: DAN-YAL | OY-YEAH-TON-DAY

MICHAEL REMPEL: MY-CULL | REM-PULL

LILIAN RICOL: LILL-EE-ON | REE-COAL

BERND SCHIPMANN: BURNT | SHIP-MAN

JAYDEN SMITH: JAY-DEN | SMITH

JUAN SOLIS: WAHN | SO-LEASE

REID SPROAT: REED | SPROTE

TRACE TERRY: TRACE | TEAR-EE

JACK THOMAS: JACK | TOM-ISS

FORT WAYNE FOOTBALL CLUB PLAYERS

IAN ABBEY

Position: Forward

Hometown: Elmer, New Jersey

Birthday: 4/9/2004

Pronunciation: ee-yan | ab-ee

Entering 2026

Ian Abbey had three goals and three assists in 16 matches for Providence during 2025. ... He also spent time in 2025 with the Vermont Green of USL League Two, the pre-professional level in which Fort Wayne FC played from 2021 to 2025. ... Abbey played at Rutgers University from 2022 to 2024, where he was a teammate of Fort Wayne FC goalkeeper Aurie Briscoe. ... Abbey appeared in 50 matches for Rutgers and had eight goals and seven assists. As a junior in 2024, Abbey had two goals and team-leading five assists. In 2022, he was named to the Big Ten's All-Freshman Team after a season that saw him score back-to-back game-winning goals against Michigan and Penn State. ... Also in 2022, Abbey played 11 matches with MLS Next Pro's Philadelphia Union II, the reserve team of Major League Soccer's Philadelphia Union.

JAVIER ARMAS

Position: Midfielder

Hometown: A Coruña, Spain

Birthday: 1/13/00

Pronunciation: khah-vyehr | khar-mahs

Entering 2026

Armas spent the 2024 and 2025 seasons with Atlanta United 2 of MLS Next Pro, accruing 10 goals and three assists in 53 matches. In 2024, when he had seven goals and two assists, he played every minute of every match for Atlanta United 2. ... After spending his youth career with Deportivo La Coruña, Armas moved to the United States to attend Oregon State University, for which he played from 2019 to 2023. He appeared in 77 matches throughout his college career – starting 71 of them – and finished with six goals and 10 assists. As a senior, he was selected First Team All-Pac 12, and he was selected to the United Soccer Coaches' All-American Third Team. Oregon State reached the national semifinals in 2023 before falling 1-0 to Notre Dame. ... Armas was selected by Atlanta United in the second round of the 2023 MLS SuperDraft.

CLARENCE AWOUDOR

Position: Midfielder

Hometown: Saint-Lô, France

Birthday: 9/23/03

Pronunciation: clair-ants | ah-woo-door

Entering 2026

Had a stellar 2025 season for the University of Central Florida, which won the first Sun Belt title in program history. The school reached the second round of the NCAA Tournament. ... Awoudor made the United Soccer Coaches' Division I All-America Third Team and the All-Southeast Region First Team, was named to the Sun Belt Conference's First Team and All-Tournament Team, and he set UCF's single-season assist record with 15. He played complete matches 17 times and finished with seven goals in 21 matches as a senior. ... Awoudor finished his U.S. college career with 17 goals and 28 assists in 66 matches over four years, including one season at Oregon State, 2022, in which he had three goals and two assists in 13 matches and was named to the All-Pac-12 First Team. He was also named to College Soccer News' All-Freshman Third Team. In 2023, Awoudor was selected the Sun Belt Conference's Newcomer of the Year after tallying four goals and four assists in 16 matches for UCF. ... Prior to playing college soccer in the U.S., Awoudor was an academy player for five years with SM Caen, a professional club in Normandy, France.

RYAN BECHER

Position: Midfielder

Hometown: Hummelstown, Pennsylvania

Birthday: 4/4/01

Pronunciation: rye-ann | betch-er

Entering 2026

Ryan Becher completed the 2025 season with Union Omaha of USL League One, totaling nine goals and three assists in 22 matches. He was on loan from MLS Next Pro side St. Louis City SC 2. ... In 2024, with St. Louis City SC 2, he played in 31 matches and scored two goals with four assists, and he added one goal and one assist in 11 matches during 2025 with the club. ... Becher played at UCLA in 2023 and appeared in 15 matches, starting 13 of them, scoring six goals with two assists. ... Began his college career at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, in 2019. He accrued 25 goals and 20 assists over 62 matches – all starts – in the span of four years. With the Retrievers, he was selected to the "Best Starting XI" in Division I soccer by NCAA.com in 2022, when he also made the America East First Team and the United Soccer Coaches Northeast Conference Second Team. He was the only player in the country that season to post double-digit figures in goals (13) and assists (10). ... Becher won back-to-back high-school championships in Pennsylvania during 2016 and 2017. ... Becher's father, Bill, played for the Fort Wayne Flames and the Indiana Kick, professional teams in the American Indoor Soccer Association that competed at Memorial Coliseum, from 1987 to 1990. ... Bill and Ryan's grandfather, Bill Becher Sr., are members of the St. Louis Soccer Hall of Fame. Ryan's brother, Jackson, was a teammate at UMBC. And his cousin, Simon, played in Major League Soccer for St. Louis City in 2025.

AURIE BRISCOE

Position: Goalkeeper

Hometown: Edgewood, New Jersey

Birthdate: 6/26/2001

Pronunciation: ah-ree | bris-koe

Entering 2026

Goalkeeper Aurie Briscoe was one of Fort Wayne Football Club's most successful players from the team's time in pre-professional soccer. He helped propel Fort Wayne FC to three straight Valley Division titles in USL League Two between 2023 and 2025, and the club reached the Conference Semifinals in 2024 and 2025. ... In 2023, he won the Golden Glove Award for having the lowest goals-against average in USL League Two at 0.43 goals per 90 minutes. He had a run of eight straight scoreless matches for Fort Wayne FC that year, when he was also selected to Puerto Rico's National Team. ... In 2025, Briscoe was named to the Central Conference Team of the Year, after he helped Fort Wayne FC to seven clean sheets. Briscoe had a three-save performance against Kings Hammer FC Cincinnati on July 12, when Fort Wayne FC clinched the Valley Division title with a 1-0 victory. ... Briscoe played 34 matches with Fort Wayne FC in USL League Two, which ranked third in club history behind only defenders Reid Sproat (50) and Tiago Dias (38). ... Briscoe played in the fall of 2025 at Butler University as a graduate student. He appeared in 17 matches and had a 5-10-2 record with two clean sheets, a .659 save percentage and a 1.82 goals-against average. ... Prior to Butler, Briscoe played at Rutgers University from 2021 to 2024 and was part of the 2022 Big Ten championship team. He played in eight matches and was 3-4-1 with a shutout, a .553 save percentage and a 2.13 goals-against average. ... Before his college career, Briscoe helped St. Benedict's Prep to two national titles.

TIAGO DIAS

Position: Defender

Hometown: Portimão, Portugal

Birthday: 6/17/01

Pronunciation: tee-ah-go | dee-ah-sh

Entering 2026

Dias spent three seasons starring for Fort Wayne FC at the pre-professional level. He helped Fort Wayne FC to division titles in the summers of 2023, 2024 and 2025, and to conference semifinals in 2024 and 2025. ... Dias captained the club in 2024 and 2025. In Fort Wayne FC's USL League Two history, which spanned five seasons, Dias ranked second in total matches played with 38 and fourth in goals with six. ... Dias played in the fall of 2025 for Bryant University in Smithfield, Rhode Island, during which he earned Second Team All-America East and Second Team All-Northeast Region honors. He played a pivotal role in a defense that had 11 clean sheets, and he assisted on five goals in 21 matches. Bryant finished the NCAA Division I season ranked 10th in the nation, falling to Saint Louis in penalty kicks in the third round of the national championships. ... Dias played locally for Indiana Tech in 2024, scoring five goals and earning nods as a NAIA Third Team All-American, Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Defender of the Year, First Team All-WHAC, and WHAC Newcomer of the Year. Dias captained the Warriors. ... From 2022 to 2023, Dias played at the University of Albany in Albany, New York. In 2021, he played for Coffeyville Community College in Coffeyville, Kansas.

JEREMY GARAY

Position: Midfielder

Hometown: Woodbridge, Virginia

Birthday: 4/1/03

Pronunciation: jehr-ah-mee | gahr-ray

Entering 2026

During 2025, Garay played 15 matches for CD Cacahuatique in El Salvador. ... Garay had 106 matches of experience in second-division USL Championship – 96 matches with Loudoun United and 10 with El Paso Locomotive – and had one goal and five assists. ... Garay played three matches with D.C. United of Major League Soccer, a U.S. first-division league, between 2022 and 2024. He was signed by D.C. United in 2021 as a homegrown player, after spending his youth career in the D.C. United development system. ... Garay, who has dual citizenship in the U.S. and El Salvador, made his first international appearance with El Salvador in 2021 for a friendly against Costa Rica. He's totaled five matches for El Salvador's senior team, and he also played for the country's under-20 team while adding a match for the U.S. U-20 team.

TAIG HEALY

Position: Midfielder

Hometown: South Hampton, New Hampshire

Birthday: 10/31/03

Pronunciation: tay-g | heel-ee

Entering 2026

Healy helped NC State to the College Cup Final, in which the Wolfpack lost 3-2 in extra time to Washington in 2025. Healy scored the goal in the 87th minute that sent the match to overtime; Healy scored in four straight postseason matches to finish his college career. ... In 22 matches in 2025, each of which he started, Healy totaled five goals and eight assists. In two seasons at NC State, he played in, and started, 42 matches, scoring 11 goals and 14 assists. He was selected to the All-South Region Second Team in 2024 and 2025. He was First Team All-Atlantic Coast Conference in 2025, after being tabbed as a Second Teamer in 2024. ... From 2022 to 2023, Healy played at the University of New Hampshire. He had four goals and three assists as a sophomore and was named to the America East All-Rookie Team as a freshman. ... Healy also had great success in the pre-professional level of USL League Two. Healy helped Seacoast United, based in Epping, New Hampshire, to the 2024 USL League Two championship; he had 13 goals and 11 assists, made the USL League Two Team of the Year, and he was finals MVP.

ANTHONY HERNANDEZ

Position: Defender

Hometown: Pickerington, Ohio

Birthday: 6/7/03

Pronunciation: ann-thony | hehr-nahn-dez

Entering 2026

Hernandez played college soccer at Bowling Green from 2023 to 2025, totaling six assists over 53 matches, 43 of which he started. He was one of only three Falcons to start every match in 2025, when he assisted on two goals. ... Hernandez appeared in 26 matches for Fort Wayne FC in 2024 and 2025 combined – helping the team to back-to-back appearances in the USL League Two conference semifinals – and his 2025 season included a key goal, in a 2-0 victory over Lexington SC, and an assist.

JP JORDAN

Position: Midfielder

Hometown: Keller, Texas

Birthdate: 2/7/2003

Pronunciation: jay-pee | jor-done

Entering 2026

Jon Paul Jordan II joined Fort Wayne Football Club with 25 matches of experience in 2025 with Texoma FC of USL League One. ... Jordan, an elite ball-recovering midfielder, assisted on a goal for Texoma FC. ... In 2024, Jordan played collegiately for Louisville – as the Cardinals' only player to start all 17 matches – and he assisted on two goals. ... From 2021 to 2023, Jordan played for Southern Methodist University. He appeared in 46 matches, starting 31 of them, and assisted on a goal. In 2022, he was Second Team All-Conference in the American Athletic Conference, having helped the Mustangs to five shutouts. ... Prior to collegiate soccer, Jordan helped Solar Soccer Club to the 2020-21 MLS Next U-19 final and to a U-17 national championship.

JAMES MUSA

Position: Midfielder/Defender

Hometown: Plymouth, England

Birthday: 4/1/92

Pronunciation: jaymes | moose-uh

Entering 2026

Joined Fort Wayne FC with a playing résumé of over 300 professional appearances, including seven matches in Major League Soccer, 231 matches at the USL Championship level and three appearances with New Zealand's National Team at the senior level. ... In 231 USL Championship matches, totaled 13 goals and six assists. ... In 2024 and 2025, Musa played for Indianapolis-based Indy Eleven of USL Championship. Musa had three goals and two assists in 44 matches, including Cup play, with Indy Eleven. ... Between 2013 and 2024, Musa played for Team Wellington in New Zealand, South Melbourne in Australia, Saint Louis FC of USL Championship, Swope Park Rangers of USL Championship, Sporting Kansas City of Major League Soccer, Phoenix Rising of USL Championship, Minnesota United of Major League Soccer, and the Colorado Switchbacks of USL Championship. ... Born in Plymouth, England, Musa moved with his family to New Zealand when he was 7. He played for New Zealand's U-20 and U-23 National Teams, totaling 20 appearances and five goals, including an appearance with the U-23 team at the 2012 Olympic Games in London. That helped springboard him to a one-year deal with Premier League club Fulham, which loaned Musa to Hereford United for

15 appearances. ... Musa has played three matches for New Zealand's Senior Team, a 2014 friendly and two 2017 World Cup qualification matches. New Zealand was 2-0-1 with him in the lineup.

DANIEL OYETUNDE

Position: Forward

Hometown: London, England

Birthdate: 11/26/2006

Pronunciation: dan-yal | oy-yeah-ton-day

Entering 2026

Oyetunde came to Fort Wayne Football Club as a well-regarded product of Arsenal's famed academy system. He played there for five years, moving from the under-15 to under-21 teams. .. After signing his first professional contract in 2025 with Arsenal of the Premier League, Oyetunde was loaned to St Albans City of the Isthmian League and played in an FA Cup match. He then scored one minute into his first league appearance for St Albans City before returning to Arsenal. ... He also appeared in a Premier League 2 match in 2025 for Arsenal's U-21 team, the highest level squad within the Arsenal academy programs. Arsenal's Hale End Academy has produced a bevy of international stars throughout its history, such as Tony Adams, Ashley Cole, Bukayo Saka and Cesc Fàbregas. ... In 2024-25, Oyetunde had two goals and two assists in 13 matches for Arsenal's U-18 squad.

MICHAEL REMPEL

Position: Defender

Hometown: Asunción, Paraguay

Birthdate: 10/4/2001

Pronunciation: my-cull | rem-pull

Entering 2026

Michael Rempel joined Fort Wayne Football Club coming off a star-studded career at the NAIA level of college soccer. Rempel played from 2023 to 2025 for Lindsey Wilson University in Columbia, Kentucky. For the second consecutive season, he was tabbed in 2025 as the winner of the Mid-South Conference Defensive Player of the Year Award and as an NAIA Second Team All-American. Additionally, Rempel was named to the United Soccer Coaches' All-America Team. And he was chosen for the College Sports Communicators' Academic All-America First Team; he had a 3.56 grade-point average. ... Rempel played in the summer of 2025 for Ashville City SC in USL League Two, the pre-professional level in which Fort Wayne FC was from 2021 to 2025. Rempel had three goals and four assists in 11 matches in 2025 for Asheville City.

LILIAN RICOL

Position: Forward

Hometown: Paris, France

Birthdate: 10/23/2002

Pronunciation: lill-ee-on | ree-coal

Entering 2026

In his lone season of college soccer, 2025 at the University of Central Florida, Ricol was named to the United Soccer Coaches' Division I All-Southeast Region First Team, and he made the Sun Belt Conference's All-League First Team, while being selected conference Newcomer of the Year. He was also the MVP of the conference tournament as UCF won the first Sun Belt title in program history and eventually made it to the second round of the NCAA Tournament. ... In 21 matches with UCF, Ricol totaled 13 goals – four of them game-winners – and four assists. He had a hat trick in a 3-2 victory over James Madison and a two-goal performance in the Sun Belt championship match against Marshall, a 3-1 victory. ... Prior to playing for UCF as a junior, Ricol was with French professional club Chambly-Oise, scoring three goals with four assists in 26 matches in 2024-25. The season before, with Racing Club de France, Ricol had eight goals and one assist in 25 matches.

BERND SCHIPMANN

Position: Goalkeeper

Hometown: Münster, Germany

Birthday: 7/5/94

Pronunciation: burnt | ship-man

Entering 2026

Bernd Schipmann spent the previous three seasons with Forward Madison of USL League One. He appeared in 90 matches and didn't concede a goal in 33 of them. ... During 2025, Schipmann had seven clean sheets in 22 matches during the regular season and Cup play, combined. He had a save percentage of 63.1. ... In 2024, Schipmann had 14 clean sheets in 34 matches through league and Cup play. His average of only 0.75 goals allowed per regular-season match was second best in USL League One; he had a save percentage of 73.5; he helped propel the club to the league's semifinals and the final of the Prinx Tires USL Cup; and he was nominated for USL League One Goalkeeper of the Year. ... Born in Münster, Germany, to a German father and Filipino mother, Schipmann has played for the Philippines in international competition, including three matches during the 2021 World Cup qualification tournament. He had a clean sheet against Guam. ... Professionally, Schipmann has also played in Germany for Schalke 04 II, Holstein Kiel II and Rot Weiss Ahlen.

JAYDEN SMITH

Position: Defender

Hometown: Coventry, England

Birthday: 3/9/06

Pronunciation: jay-den | smith

Entering 2026

Smith joined the Coventry City Football Club Academy when he was 10 years old and remained with it for nine years. Coventry City is currently a member of the first-division English Football League Championship. ... Smith signed his first professional contract with Coventry City in 2024.

JUAN SOLIS

Position: Defender

Hometown: Tulua, Colombia

Birthdate: 1/27/2005

Pronunciation: wahn | so-lease

Entering 2026

Juan Solís appeared in 22 matches in 2025 for Real Santander, a second-division professional club based in Bucaramanga, Colombia. ... Solís, 6-foot-8, scored two goals in 2025 for Real Santander, but impressed with his defensive acumen. ... He also had professional experience with CD Real Cartagena and with the Colombian U-18 National Team.

REID SPROAT

Position: Defender

Hometown: Auburn, Indiana

Birthdate: 5/30/01

Pronunciation: reed | sprote

Entering 2026

Came into the year as the only player to appear in a Fort Wayne FC match during every season of the club's play. ... Sproat played a club-record 50 matches with Fort Wayne FC between 2021 and 2025 – when the club was in the pre-professional level of USL League Two – and that was 12 matches more than the next closest player, Tiago Dias. ... Sproat was regarded as one of the most formidable defenders in USL League Two, helping Fort Wayne FC to division titles in 2023, 2024 and 2025, and to berths in the conference semifinals in 2024 and 2025. He was the only Fort Wayne FC player to make the USL League Two All-League Team, which he did in 2023, and he scored two goals for the club in pre-professional soccer. ... Sproat played a fifth season of college soccer at San Diego State University in 2023 and was named the 14th best player in the nation by "Top Drawer Soccer," while also receiving Honorable Mention All-Conference honors in the Pac-12 conference. ... Sproat played at Oakland University from 2019 to 2022 and was a three-time All-Horizon League selection, helping the Golden Grizzlies to regular-season and tournament championships in the conference during 2021. ... Sproat is a graduate of Leo High School, where he left as the soccer team's all-time leading scorer and helped it to its first ever sectional championship. ... He was on the staff in 2025 at Huntington University as an assistant coach, after spending 2024 as a graduate assistant with the school.

TRACE TERRY

Position: Forward

Hometown: Bellbrook, Ohio

Birthdate: 10/19/03

Pronunciation: trace | tear-ee

Entering 2026

Trace Terry played at Bowling Green State University from 2022 to 2025 and was a teammate of Fort Wayne FC defender Anthony Hernandez. ... Terry was chosen by Major League Soccer's Seattle Sounders in the third round of the 2025 MLS SuperDraft before returning to Bowling Green for his senior season. ... He finished his college career with 28 goals and 13 assists in 68 matches, and his 11 game-winning goals were tied for second in program history. ... In 2025, as a Bowling Green team captain, Terry totaled 10 goals and two assists in 17 matches. He was selected First Team All-Conference in the Missouri Valley Conference for the second straight year, and he was named to the United Soccer Coaches' All-West Region Second Team. He had game-winning goals in four of the Falcons' five victories and led the MVC in that category. ... In 2024, when Terry had 12 goals and five assists in 18 matches, he was named to the United Soccer Coaches' All-American Second Team and to TopDrawerSoccer's All-American Third Team. ... Terry also played in USL League Two, the pre-professional tier in which Fort Wayne FC played from 2021 to 2025; Terry competed for Toledo Villa FC in 2023, 2024 and 2025.

JACK THOMAS

Position: Midfielder

Hometown: Whittington, England

Birthdate: 6/12/2004

Pronunciation: jack | tom-iss

Entering 2026

Coming off an outstanding senior season at Louisiana State University-Shreveport that saw him selected as the United Soccer Coaches' NAIA Player of the Year in 2025. Thomas set single-season program records in goals (20), assists (12), shots (86) and shots on goal (46) in 22 matches during 2025. He was named a First Team All-American and the Red River Athletic Conference's Offensive Player of the Year. ... Over 66 matches in his three-year career at LSU Shreveport, Thomas had 47 goals and a program-record 22 assists. He helped the Pilots to the Round of 16 at the NAIA National Tournament in 2024 and 2025. ... Thomas began his college soccer career with Northeast Texas Community College in 2022. ... Thomas also had on his résumé time with the Lubbock Matadors SC of USL League Two, a pre-professional level of play.

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March 7, 2026: Signed, Taner Akin, Goalkeeper

2026 Factoids of Interest

FORT WAYNE FOOTBALL CLUB CREST EXPLAINED

Our Three Rivers

The "F" visually represents the access points and confluence of our three rivers – how the St. Mary's and St. Joseph converge to form the Maumee. The rivers represent a significant role in our city's geography, history and recreation.

Historic Roots & Continued Growth

The branches of the "W" embody the trees and nature throughout our 80+ parks and 150+ miles of trail systems.



Intertwined and United

A confluence of our innovations, cultures, ideas and shared memories that bring our community together.

A Sophisticated Crest

The shield symbolizes our fortitude and tradition, while the monogram embodies the city's ties to, and love of, nature and recreation.

**FORT WAYNE
FOOTBALL CLUB**

Our Name

We will be primarily known as Fort Wayne Football Club.

March 7, 2026: In 2-0 loss at FC Naples, which was Fort Wayne Football Club's first match in pro soccer, a whopping 10 players made their professional debuts: Aurie Briscoe, Tiago Dias, Reid Sproat, Anthony Hernandez, Taig Healy, Lilian Ricol, Jayden Smith, Trace Terry, Clarence Awoudor, and Michael Rempel.

FORT WAYNE FOOTBALL CLUB

USL LEAGUE TWO RECORDS (2021-2025)

GOALS

	NAME	TOTAL	SEASONS WITH CLUB
1.	Gjis Hovius	8	2023, 2024
2.	Maxwell Amoako	8	2021, 2022
3.	Caio Oliveira	7	2025
4.	Riley Lynch	6	2022
5.	Tiago Dias	6	2023, 2024, 2025
6.	Noe Garcia	5	2021
7.	Seth Antwi	5	2023
8.	Sebastian Chalbaud	5	2023
9.	Alberto Anaya	4	2022, 2023, 2024
10.	Aleksandar Mihov	4	2023
11.	Aboubacar Traore	3	2024, 2025
12.	Michael Adedokun	3	2022
13.	Sean Karani	3	2023
14.	Ethan Giwa-McNeil	3	2024
15.	Tom Abrahamsson	3	2022, 2023
16.	Forster Ajago	3	2022
17.	Alexandre Frank	3	2022, 2023
18.	Zach Tom	3	2021
19.	Joseph Kouadio	3	2021, 2023
20.	Victor Claudel	3	2022
21.	Brandon Bermingham	3	2024
22.	Matthew Catavolo	2	2025
23.	Hugo Garcia	2	2025
24.	Rood Schnaider Beaubrun	2	2024, 2025
25.	Jose Casas De Abadal	2	2021, 2022
26.	Reid Sproat	2	2021, 2022, 2023, 2025
27.	Will Harris	2	2021, 2022
28.	Henri Kumwenda	2	2023
29.	Chris Bley	2	2024
30.	Aaron Sanchez	2	2024
31.	Michael Ketteyman	2	2024
32.	Muslim Umar	2	2025
33.	Venton Evans	2	2025
34.	Amari Fowlkes	1	2025
35.	Gaku Nishimura	1	2024, 2025
36.	Tiago Campos	1	2025
37.	Mamadou Diarra	1	2025
38.	Anthony Hernandez	1	2024, 2025
39.	Grayson Doody	1	2021

40.	Nkosi Graham	1	2022, 2023
41.	Namik Mehic	1	2023, 2024, 2025
42.	Joel Harvey	1	2021
43.	Jose Rodriguez	1	2021
44.	Dylan Shockey	1	2021
45.	Michail Tselios	1	2024
46.	Breno Boccoli de Oliveira	1	2021
47.	Ben Barkley	1	2022

ASSISTS

*Stats according to USL League Two, may not be reflect all assists

	NAME	TOTAL	SEASONS WITH CLUB
1.	Alberto Anaya	6	2022, 2023, 2024
2.	Michael Adedokun	4	2022
3.	Gaku Nishimura	4	2024, 2025
4.	Sean Kerani	3	2023
5.	Jose Casas De Abadal	3	2021, 2022
6.	Aboubacar Traore	2	2024, 2025
7.	Namik Mehic	2	2023, 2024, 2025
8.	Tavio D'Almeida	2	2023, 2025
9.	Riley Lynch	2	2022
10.	Ethan Giwa-McNeil	2	2024
11.	Grayson Doody	2	2021
12.	Mbongeni Kanyane	2	2022, 2023
13.	Logan Lee	2	2021
14.	Tiago Campos	1	2025
15.	Amari Fowlkes	1	2025
16.	Rood Schnaider Beaubrun	1	2024, 2025
17.	Virgil Dall'Agnol	1	2025
18.	Anthony Hernandez	1	2024, 2025
19.	Matthew Catavolo	1	2025
20.	Alsadiq Hasan	1	2025
21.	Gjis Hovius	1	2023, 2024
22.	Tom Abrahamsson	1	2022
23.	Tiago Dias	1	2023, 2024, 2025
24.	Forster Ajago	1	2022
25.	Nkosi Graham	1	2022, 2023
26.	Maxwell Amoako	1	2021
27.	Shotaro Kino	1	2024
28.	Adam McAleenan	1	2022
29.	Hilary Odhiambo	1	2022

MATCHES PLAYED

	NAME	TOTAL	SEASONS WITH CLUB
1.	Reid Sproat	50	2021, 2022, 2023, 2025
2.	Tiago Dias	38	2023, 2024, 2025
3.	Aurie Briscoe	34	2023, 2024, 2025
4.	Tavio D'Almeida	27	2023, 2025
5.	Rood Schnaider Beaubrun	26	2024, 2025
6.	Anthony Hernandez	26	2024, 2025
7.	Tom Abrahamsson	24	2022, 2023
8.	Alexandre Frank	24	2022, 2023
9.	Will Harris	24	2021, 2022
10.	Alberto Anaya	22	2022, 2023, 2024
11.	Maxwell Amoako	22	2021, 2022
12.	Jose Casas De Abadal	21	2021, 2022



MOMENTS ON THE PITCH

May 9, 2021: First match in club history, in USL League Two, is played at Oakland County FC, a 3-0 Fort Wayne FC loss

May 23, 2021: First goal in club history scored by **Noe Garcia**, assisted by **Jose Rodriguez**, at Shields Field, in 2-1 loss to Toledo Villa FC

June 21, 2021: Club wins first match, 3-1, at Toledo Villa FC, with goals from **Pep Casas**, **Joe Kouadio** and **Breno Oliveira** (penalty kick)

June 4, 2022: First five-goal game, 5-0 victory at Dayton Dutch Lions, as **Forster Ajago** scores twice

May 13, 2023: In 1-0 victory over Kings Hammer FC Cincinnati, **Alex Frank** scores winner with bicycle kick in 75th minute at Bishop D'Arcy Stadium

May 20, 2023: In 30th match in club history, its 50th goal is scored by Joe Kouadio – his second of match – in 31st minute; **Sebastian Chalbaud** also scores twice in 4-0 victory at FC Buffalo

July 2, 2023: Club clinches Valley Division title with 4-0 victory over Toledo Villa FC at Bishop D'Arcy Stadium, getting goals from **Reid Sproat**, **Tom Abrahamsson**, **Seth Antwi** and **Henri Kumwenda**.

July 11, 2023: **Namik Mehic**, a native of Fort Wayne, becomes youngest player in club history to score at 16 years, 7 months, 15 days old in 2-0 victory at Kings Hammer FC Cincinnati. **Henri Kumwenda** also scores in club's 40th match ever and 20th victory

July 21, 2023: Club plays first ever postseason match, but sees club-record 19-game unbeaten streak end in 3-2 overtime loss to Flint City Bucks at Bishop D'Arcy Stadium in Central Conference quarterfinals; Flint City's Jason Shokalook ends Fort Wayne FC's eight-game (760-minute) streak without allowing a goal

August 1, 2023: Goalkeeper **Aurie Briscoe** becomes first member of club to win Golden Glove award for lowest goals-against average in USL League Two at 0.43 goals per 90 minutes

August 11, 2023: Fort Wayne FC defender **Reid Sproat** becomes first member of club to make All-League team

July 10, 2024: Club clinches second straight Valley Division title with 1-0 victory at Dayton Dutch Lions, as **Brandon Bermingham** scores in 87th minute

July 19, 2024: Club gets first postseason win with first ever penalty kick shootout after scoreless tie at Midwest United FC

July 21, 2024: For second straight year, club ousted from postseason by Flint City Bucks in 2-1 road loss in Central Conference semifinals

June 7, 2025: After allowing back-to-back goals to the Dayton Dutch Lions' Felix Ezekwuka to tie the match at 2 at Bishop D'Arcy Stadium, Fort Wayne FC's **Venton Evans** scores on a penalty kick in the 96th minute and **Hugo Garcia** adds a goal in the 98th for a 4-2 victory to take Fort Wayne FC to first place in the Valley Division

June 18, 2025: Fort Wayne FC takes five-point lead in Valley Division race with a 2-0 victory at Bishop D'Arcy Stadium over Lexington SC, getting goals from **Caio Oliveira** (penalty kick) and **Anthony Hernandez**

June 28, 2025: In an International Friendly against Atlas Fútbol Club's Sub-23 team at Bishop D'Arcy Stadium, **Jonny Aye**, 15, becomes the youngest player ever to enter a match for Fort Wayne FC

July 12, 2025: Fort Wayne FC clinches third straight Valley Division championship with 4-0 victory over Kings Hammer FC Cincinnati in FWFC's final match at Bishop D'Arcy Stadium, as Muslim Umar scores twice in front of a crowd of 1,712

July 18, 2025: After falling behind 2-0 in the first half, Fort Wayne FC rallies for a 3-2 overtime victory over Midwest United FC to advance to the Central Conference Semifinals, getting goals from captain **Tiago Dias** on a header, **Caio Oliveira** on a free kick, and **Amari Fowlkes** in overtime after an **Aboubacar Traore** pass across the box

July 20, 2025: Fort Wayne FC suffers heartbreaking 2-0 loss in Central Conference Semifinals to Flint City Bucks in Flint, Mich. Flint City's Donovan Phillip scores for a 1-0 lead in the 117th minute off the rebound of a Dominic Ayella penalty kick that had been stopped by Fort Wayne FC goalkeeper **Aurie Briscoe**. Ayella adds an insurance goal in the 124th minute, ending Fort Wayne FC's time in USL League Two

March 7, 2026: Fort Wayne FC plays first match in professional soccer, losing 2-0 to FC Naples in a closely contested USL League One outing in Naples, Florida. Ten of the 16 Fort Wayne FC players who entered the match were making their professional debuts. That included four players who had been with the club in pre-professional soccer: **Tiago Dias**, **Reid Sproat**, **Aurie Briscoe** and **Anthony Hernandez**