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ATHLETIC**

MATCH DAY

PROGRAM

MAR. 28TH 5:00 PM



VS



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2026 SEASON SCHEDULE

| DATE | OPPONENT | TIME (ET) | RESULT |
|-----------|------------------------------|-----------|--------|
| March 7 | @ Sporting Club Jacksonville | 7:00 PM | W 3-0 |
| March 11 | @ Birmingham Legion FC | 12:00 PM | D 0-0 |
| March 18* | @ FC Motown | 7:00 PM | W 2-0 |
| March 21 | @ Brooklyn FC | 7:00 PM | W 2-1 |
| March 28 | VS Indy Eleven | 5:00 PM | |

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LAST TIME OUT

When Hartford Athletic took the pitch on Tuesday night for the rescheduled outing against Oakland Roots, it was a gritty defensive battle that ended in a 3-1 road win for the Boys in Green. This marks Athletic's sixth straight regular season road win. The home team got on the scoreboard first with a Peter Wilson goal on a Camden Riley cross in the 31st minute. The second half saw the Green & Blue go on the offensive, repeatedly working the ball into Roots' defensive third. In the 56th minute, Hartford earned a corner kick that provided the breakthrough moment. Joshua Belluz lifted his 6'5" frame into the air to head the ball into the back of the net. Less than 10 minutes later, Kyle Edwards scored his eighth goal off the bench to put Athletic up by one. Seconds before the final whistle, Beverly Makangila, off a Samuel Careaga assist, added an insurance goal to secure the win and three points for Hartford Athletic.

SUPER SUB, SUPER STAR

With his 64th minute goal against Oakland Roots on Tuesday, Kyle Edwards cemented himself as the USL Championship's most prolific supersub, setting a single season record for goals off the bench, with eight. Edwards first showed his clutch scoring ability with a late-game goal to draw Louisville City FC 1-1 back in May. He also netted a crucial one versus FC Tulsa in August, again digging Hartford out of a deficit and bringing the score to 1-1. Most recently, the 28-year-old added the winning goal in Hartford's 3-1 triumph over Oakland Roots last Tuesday. Whether starting or coming on as a substitute, the St. Vincent and the Grenadines native has shown that he can produce goals, scoring a total of 12 in regular season play, besting Mamadou Dieng's club record of 11 goals in one season and putting him in a tie for fifth place in the league.

MATCHUP HISTORY

Hartford Athletic and Sacramento Republic take the field just seven days after facing each other in the USL Jägermeister Cup Final, where the Boys in Green took home a 1-0 win and the first ever trophy in club history. Prior to last Saturday's Cup Final, Sacramento had come away with the win in both matchups between the two sides. The California side currently sits in second place in the Western Conference with 44 points on a 12-6-8 record. With this, they have already clinched a spot in the post-season no matter the results of their last four games of the season. Sacramento Republic FC has remained consistently dominant, even as the season gets into the final weeks and fatigue starts to play a role, with a 3-1-1 record over the past five games.



HARTFORD ATHLETIC — 2026 ROSTER —



LEADERS AND STATS

2026 RECORD WHEN

| 2026 RECORD WHEN | W-L-D |
|----------------------|-------|
| At Home | 0-0-0 |
| On the Road | 1-0-1 |
| On Grass | 0-0-0 |
| On Artificial Turf | 1-0-1 |
| Wearing Green | 0-0-0 |
| Wearing White | 1-0-1 |
| Scoring First | 1-0-0 |
| Conceding First | 0-0-0 |
| Leading at Halftime | 1-0-0 |
| Tied at Halftime | 0-0-0 |
| Trailing at Halftime | 0-0-0 |

ALL-TIME LEADERS

Goals

1. Kyle Edwards (22)
2. Mamdou Dieng (20)
3. Danny Barrera (18)

Assists

1. Danny Barrera (33)
2. Prince Saydee (11)
3. Michee Ngalinac (9)

Saves

1. Jeff Caldwell (108)
2. Renan Ribeiro (102)
3. Yannik Oettl (74)



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HARTFORD ATHLETIC

2026 TECHNICAL STAFF



BRENDAN BURKE
HEAD COACH, GM

Named Hartford Athletic's Head Coach and General Manager on December 12, 2023, Brendan Burke has delivered back-to-back record-breaking seasons. In 2024, he guided the club to a historic 44-point campaign before surpassing that mark in 2025, setting new records for total wins (13) and road wins (7). The 2025 season culminated in the club's first-ever playoff berth and a Jägermeister Cup championship — Hartford's first trophy in 25 years. Prior to Hartford, Burke built winning cultures at the Colorado Springs Switchbacks and Houston Dynamo, transforming Colorado Springs from a two-win side into a conference finalist. A two-time USL Coach of the Month honoree and two-time Coach of the Year finalist.



AARON WHEELER
ASSISANT COACH

Aaron Wheeler, 37, enters his third season on Hartford Athletic's technical staff. After an 11-year professional playing career, Wheeler transitioned to coaching in 2024 and quickly proved his value, playing an instrumental role in the club's historic 2025 Jägermeister Cup championship run. His tactical knowledge and steady leadership were key contributors to Hartford's first-ever trophy. As a player, Wheeler debuted with FC Tampa Bay (NASL) in 2010 and made 25 MLS appearances with the Philadelphia Union in 2013-14. He came out of retirement in 2022 to play for Brendan Burke's Colorado Springs Switchbacks, contributing two goals in their run to the Western Conference Finals.



DAN GASPAR
GOALKEEPER COACH

Dan Gaspar joined Hartford Athletic as Goalkeeper and Assistant Coach on September 29, 2022. Gaspar brings over 30 years of experience spanning eight national teams, three collegiate programs, and six professional clubs. Most notably, he served seven years as Assistant Coach of the Iranian National Team (2011-2018) alongside former Real Madrid Head Coach Carlos Queiroz, helping the side qualify for two FIFA World Cups — including a third- place group stage finish behind Portugal and Spain in 2018. He also served on the Portuguese National Team staff during their 2010 World Cup run to the round of 16.



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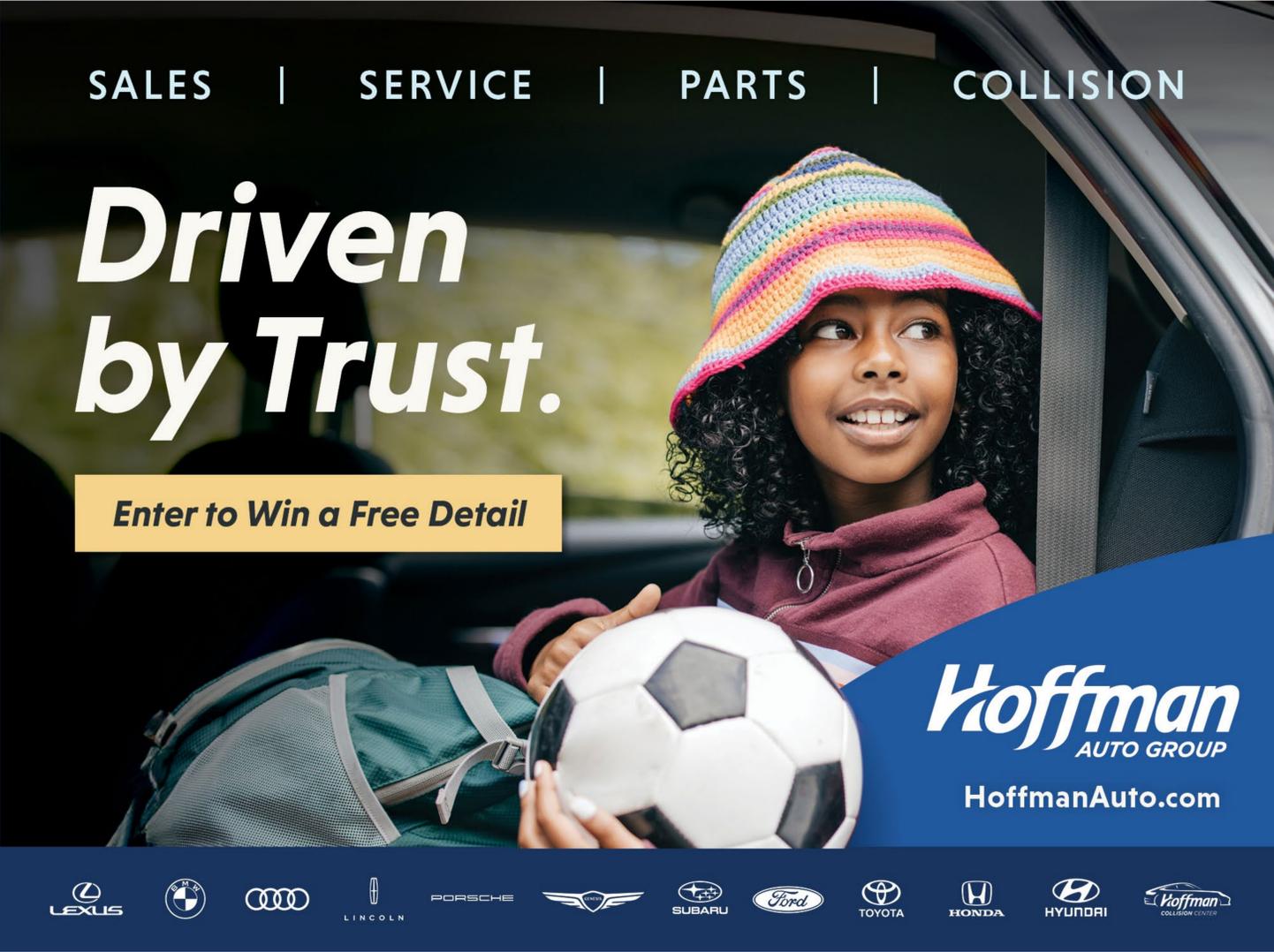


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