

HARTFORD ATHLETIC

# MATCH DAY

## PROGRAM

OCT. 24TH 7:00 PM

HARTFORD ATHLETIC vs RHODE ISLAND FC

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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 | D 2-2 |
| April 1* | @ Rhode Island FC | 7:00 PM | L 0-2 |
| April 4 | @ Miami FC | 4:00 PM | D 0-0 |
| April 11 | VS El Paso | 7:00 PM | L 0-4 |
| April 18 | Loudon United FC | 7:00 PM | D 0-0 |
| April 25* | Rhode Island FC | 7:00 PM | D 0-0 (PK 3-4) |
| May 9 | Detroit City FC | 7:00 PM | W 2-1 |
| May* | @Brooklyn FC | 7:00 PM | W 2-0 |
| May 22 | @ FC Tulsa | 8:30 PM | L 0-2 |
| May 30 | VS New Mexico United | 7:00 PM | D 0-0 |
| June 6^ | @ New York Cosmos | 7:00 PM | W 4-1 |
| June 13 | @ Tampa Bay Rowdies | 7:00 PM | W 1-0 |
| June 20 | VS Pittsburgh Riverhounds | 7: 00 PM | D 0-0 |
| July 4 | @ Lousiville City FC | 8:00 PM | L 0-1 |
| July 8 | @ Orange County SC | 7:00 PM | D 2-2 |
| July 11^ | @ Westchester SC | 7:00 PM | W 2-1 |
| July 18 | @ Rhode Island FC | 7:00 PM | L 0-1 |
| July 25 | @ Pheonix Rising FC | 9:30 PM | D 0-0 |
| August 1 | @ Loudoun United FC | 7:00 PM | L 0-2 |
| August 9 | @ Indy Eleven | 5:00 PM | D 1-1 |
| August 12^ | @ Charlotte Independence | 7:00 PM | W 4-2 |
| August 15 | VS Miami FC | 7:00 PM | W 2-1 |
| August 29 | VS Birmingham Legion FC | 7:00 PM | W 3-2 |
| Septemeber 2 | @ Charleston Battery | 7:00 PM | W 2-1 |
| September 5 | @ Detroit City FC | 7:00 PM | D 1-1 |
| September 8 | VS COL | 7:00 PM | W 2-1 |
| September 12 | VS Tampa Bay Rowdies | 7:00 PM | W 3-1 |
| September 16 | VS Sporting Jax | 6:00 PM | W 2-0 |
| September 19 | @ Las Vegas Lights FC | 10:30 PM | D 1-1 |
| September 25 | VS Louisville City FC | 7:00 PM | D 2-2 |
| October 4* | VS Louisville City FC | 3:00 PM | L 0-1 |
| October 10 | @ Pittsburgh Riverhounds | 7:00 PM | L 1-2 |
| October 14 | VS Charleston Battery | 7:00 PM | D 1-1 |
| October 17 | VS Brooklyn FC | 7:00 PM | L 2-3 |

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# ATHLETIC NOTES

## LAST TIME OUT

Hartford Athletic hosted Brooklyn FC at Trinity Health Stadium on Saturday, October 17th, for a USL Championship showdown. In a back-and-forth match, Brooklyn FC ultimately came out on top by a 3-2 score thanks to the go-ahead goal in the 79th minute. Hartford opened the scoring in the 21st as Michael Adedokun pushed home a feed from Barry Coffey. Brooklyn FC found the tying score in the 55st minute before Sadat Anaku re-gained Athletic's one-goal lead just two minutes later. Brooklyn FC knotted the score again in the 63rd minute before striking in the late going to come away wth a 3-2 win. Hartford owned dominant advantages in shots on target (8- 3) and corner kicks (6-0).

## WOMEN'S SOCCER

In 2026, Hartford Athletic expands its footprint in Connecticut soccer with the launch of a USL W League women's team, with Danny Barrera serving as head coach. The addition of the women's program reflects the organization's commitment to growing the sport at all levels across the region and providing elite competitive opportunities for women in Connecticut.

## MATCHUP HISTORY

These two teams have met 14 times all- time. Pittsburgh Riverhounds leads the all-time series with eight wins, including one this season back on July 4th. Hartford has come away victorious three times all-time while the two teams have drawn just once in their 12-match history..

## COMMUNITY & FOUNDATION

The Green & Blue Foundation is Hartford Athletic's official 501(c)(3) nonprofit community arm, dedicated to creating positive change across Greater Hartford through the power of soccer. Since its founding, the Foundation has donated over $1.5 million to local organizations and partners. Signature programs include Summer Reading Sundays, STEM and Soccer Education Days, comprehensive hiring expos, the Mission Inclusivity accessibility initiative. The Youth Academy has grown from under 25 families to over 425 families under the club's stewardship, reflecting Hartford Athletic's deep investment in the next generation of Connecticut soccer players.

# HARTFORD ATHLETIC
## 2026 ROSTER










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# LEADERS AND STATS

| 2026 RECORD WHEN | W-L-D |
|---|---|
| At Home | 5-2-7 |
| On the Road | 4-5-6 |
| On Grass | 0-0-0 |
| On Artificial Turf | 9-7-13 |
| Wearing Green | 7-2-9 |
| Wearing White | 2-5-4 |
| Scoring First | 6-1-5 |
| Leading at Halftime | 5-0-4 |
| Tied at Halftime | 3-2-7 |
| Trailing at Halftime | 1-4-2 |

## ALL-TIME LEADERS

Goals
1. Michee Nglaina (23)
2. Mamadou Dieng (23)
3. Kyle Edwards (22)

Assists
1. Danny Barrera (33)
2. Michee Ngalina (13)
3. Prince Saydee (11)

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

# 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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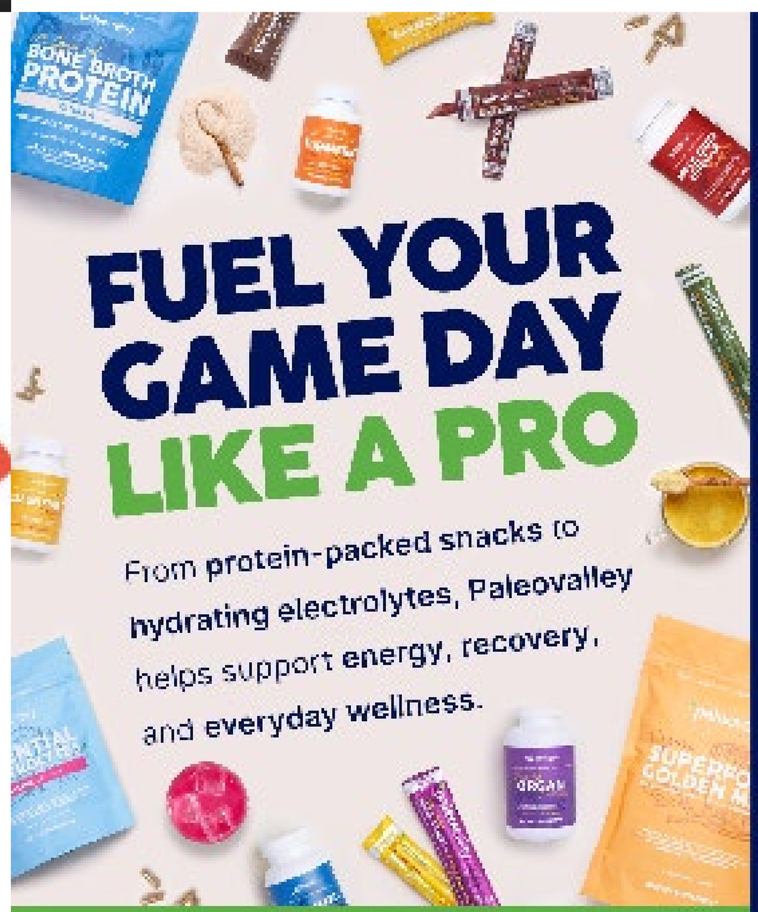
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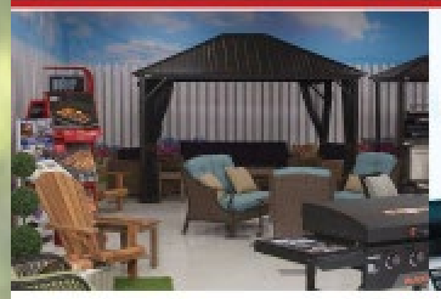
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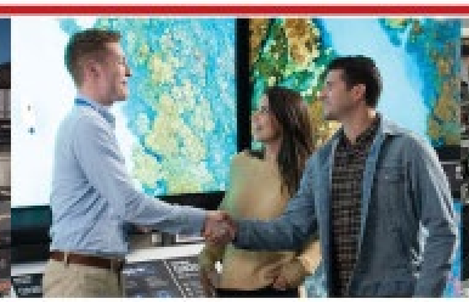
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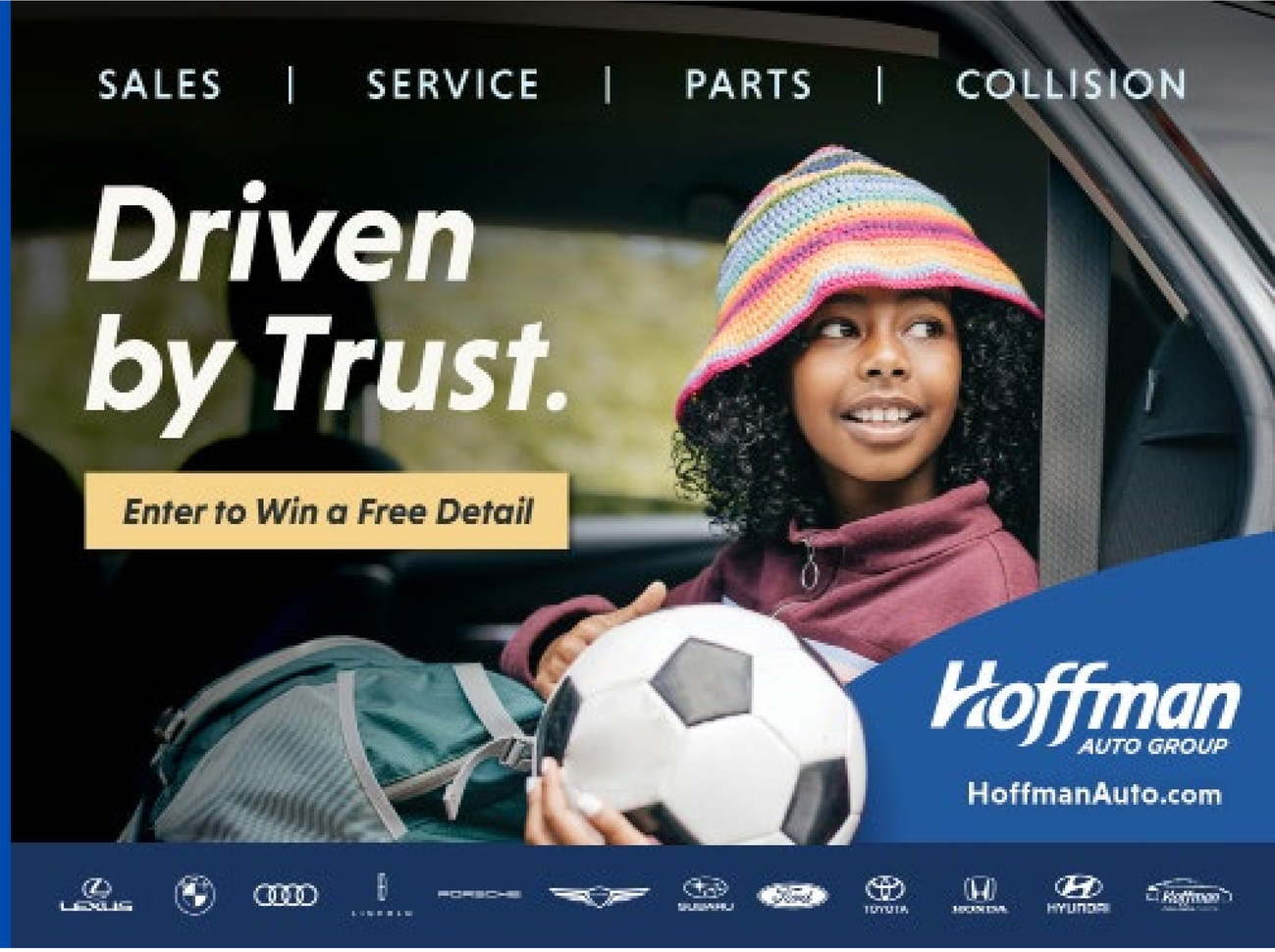
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