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Captain's Corner

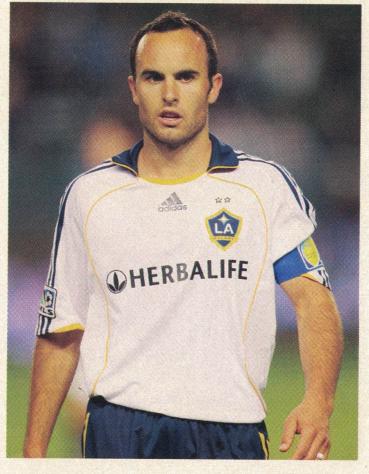
ello Galaxy fans and welcome back to another game at The Home Depot Center.

The season has not started exactly how we were hoping it would, but I feel that we have been improving with each game and that is what is most important. It is essential that we are able to build a team that is capable of getting results over the entire length of the season, not just at times. Last year we were able to start the season well and jump to the top of the Western Conference. But.

as you're all well aware, we were not able to sustain that play and we quickly slid down the standings and out of the playoffs.

That cannot happen again and we are working every day to make sure that it does not happen again.

One major positive that we have seen so far this season is our ability to score late goals and overcome early deficits. No team ever wants to fall behind and we're no different, but I'm proud of the way that we have kept fighting and the fact that we have been able to grab draws from so many of our games here early on. It's a testament to the team spirit that we've built here that we keep on battling until the final whistle. While we'd like for a few of our early draws to be wins, getting a point is better than getting nothing from a game and



hopefully these early points will pay off at the end of the season when we're fighting for playoff positioning.

This next string of games will also test us for the first time as we prepare to lose players for a series on international matches, including the Confederations Cup and the Gold Cup. This will test the depth of our squad but I feel that we will be able to overcome this challenge. In a way, the suspensions and

injuries that we have suffered at the start of the season could actually prove beneficial in this time. Many of the players who will be called upon to play in this stretch will have already performed and played well this season so we'll be asking for them to do so once again.

This is a long season and we've still got a long way to go. All we ask is that you continue to come out and support us and we will continue to do our part on the field.

Thanks you for all of your support so far this season and I look forward to seeing you all back here soon.

Landon Donovan LA Galaxy Captain #10

2009 Schedule

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	TIME/RESULT	TV/GOALSCORERS
Sunday	March 22	D.C. United	2-2 T	Donovan (2)
Saturday	April 4	Colorado Rapids	3-2 L	Gonzalez, Gordon
Wednesday	April 7	Colorado Rapids	0-0 T (Galaxy Lose	4-2 on Penalties)
	Lamar Hunt U.S	6. Open Cup Play-In Game		
Saturday	April 11	Chivas USA	0-0 T	
Saturday	April 18	at San Jose Earthquakes	1-1 T	Jordan
Saturday	April 25	at Colorado Rapids	1-1 T	Donovan
Saturday	May 2	New York Red Bulls	7:30 p.m.	FS West*
Wednesday	May 6	at Real Salt Lake	6:00 p.m.	
Sunday	May 10	at Seattle Sounders FC	12:00 p.m.	FS West/Telefutura
Sunday	May 17	Columbus Crew	12:00 p.m.	FS West/Telefutura
Saturday	May 23	at FC Dallas	5:30 p.m.	FS West**
Saturday	May 30	Kansas City Wizards	7:30 p.m.	PrimeTicket*
Saturday	June 6	at Toronto FC	12:30 p.m.	FS West**
Saturday	June 13	Real Salt Lake	7:30 p.m. (D-9pm)	PrimeTicket*
Saturday	June 20	at San Jose Earthquakes	1:00 p.m.	ESPN2*
Sunday	June 28	Houston Dynamo	8:00 p.m.	ESPN2*
Saturday	July 4	New England Revolution	8:00 p.m.	FSC*
Saturday	July 11	at Chivas USA	8:00 p.m.	FSC*
Thursday	July 16	at New York Red Bulls	TBD	FSC*
Sunday	July 19	AC Milan^	7:00 p.m.	
Saturday	July 25	at Kansas City Wizards	5:30 p.m.	FS West**
Saturday	August 8	at New England Revolution	3:00 p.m.	FSC*
Saturday	August 15	Seattle Sounders FC	8:00 p.m.	PrimeTicket*
Wednesday	August 19	at Chicago Fire	6:00 p.m.	ESPN2
Saturday	August 22	at D.C. United	4:30 p.m.	FSC**
Saturday	August 29	Chivas USA	8:00 p.m.	ESPN2*
Saturday	September 12	FC Dallas	7:30 p.m.	FS West*
Saturday	September 19	Toronto FC	7:30 p.m.	FS West*
Saturday	September 26	at Columbus Crew	4:30 p.m.	FS West**
Friday	October 2	Chicago Fire	8:00 p.m.	ESPN2
Sunday	October 18	at Houston Dynamo	12:00 p.m.	FS West/Telefutura
Saturday	October 24	San Jose Earthquakes	7:30 p.m.	FS West*

All FS West and PrimeTicket broadcasts will have a 30-minute "Galaxy Live" pregame show prior to the game broadcast. (D) = Tape Delay

All 30 Galaxy regular season games will be broadcast live on ESPN Deportes Radio 1330 AM.

Home Games in Bold Face

^{* =} Game to be broadcast live on AM 570.

^{** =} Game to be broadcast live on KTLK 1150 AM.



23 David Beckham Midfielder London, England



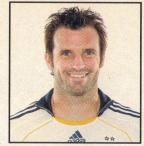
16 Gregg Berhalter
Defender
Tenafly, N.J.



Tristan Bowen
Forward
Los Angeles, Calif.



Jovan Kirovski Forward Escondido, Calif.



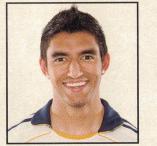
Chris Klein Midfielder St. Louis, Mo.



Dema Kovalenko Midfielder Rochester, N.Y.



Edson Buddle
Forward
New Rochelle, N.Y..



A.J. DeLaGarza
Defender
Bryans Road, Md.



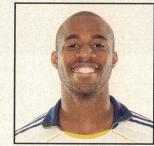
10 Landon Donovan Forward Redlands, Calif.



Eddie Lewis
Midfielder
Cerritos, Calif.



18 Mike Magee Forward Chicago, III.



Yohance Marshall
Defender
Diego Martin, Trinidad



Todd Dunivant
Defender
Wheat Ridge, Colo.



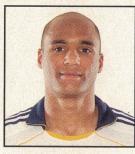
28 Sean Franklin Defender Palmdale, Calif.



Omar González
Defender
Dallas, Texas



15 Stefani Miglioranzi Midfielder Port Chester, N.Y.



Kyle Patterson
Midfielder
Birmingham, England



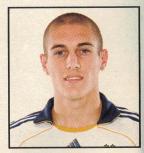
Donovan Ricketts Goalkeeper Montego Bay, Jamaica



Alan Gordon Forward Gilbert, Ariz.



Leonard Griffin
Defender
Palmdale, Calif.



Program Forward Temple City, Calif.



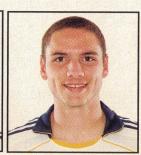
22 Tony Sanneh Defender St. Paul, Minn.



12 Josh Saunders
Goalkeeper
Lake Forest, Calif.



Josh Tudela Midfielder Evansville, Inc



Julian Valentin Defender Lancaster, Pa.

Be A Part of the Team

Partial season plans of 3 or more games start from just \$39 per person

e a part of one of the greatest in-stadium experiences in all of sports as your LA Galaxy take the field in 2009. The Galaxy will be looking to return to the championship form that has landed the club two MLS Cup Championships, two U.S. Open Cup Championships, and a CONCACAF Champions Cup title.

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Getting to know

New LA Galaxy defender Gregg Berhalter

What was it about this club that made you want to join the Galaxy?

"I think that out of all of the clubs in MLS this is the best setup. From the stadium, training ground, the ownership and management of the team and the players here, that whole combination for me made it an easy decision to come to here. Everything about the club has been great and I really appreciate that."

How much has it helped you having so many familiar faces at the club?

"It has been a big advantage. The transition has been that much easier because I am comfortable with and know many of the guys and the coaches here. Any time that you go to a new team there is a little bit of an awkward stage, but that really hasn't been the case here because I know so many of people here."

You've been with the club for a short time now what do you think of the quality of the team?

"I think it's good. We have a lot of good, young players. Being over in Europe I was not too familiar with some of the younger players here, but coming back I have seen that there is some good, young talent and there is definitely a lot of potential here."

How closely did you follow MLS during your time in **Europe and how impressed with the quality of play** have you been?

"It was difficult to follow the league to closely over there because there was not a lot of TV coverage, but you could follow on the internet and of course I know a lot of guys in the league and I would talk to them about it, but it was difficult to really follow it. It was a bit different on vacation (back in the U.S.) over the summers when I could see some games. I think that



lowing a 14-year European career.

the quality of the league is good and it keeps getting better every year."

What would you say to players that you played with in Europe who ask you about coming to play in MLS?

"It's not an easy league. You hear a lot of players who say that they would like to retire here or come here when they're older, but that's not the case at all. You have to be ready to put in the effort and work, because it is a very

competitive league with a lot of parity where anyone can beat anyone. All of that makes for a very competitive environment. You also have to be well- prepared physically because of all of the travel. With all of that, it's also not an easy league to play in."

Finally, you very nearly scored one of the most famous goals in the history of U.S. Soccer in the World Cup Quarterfinal against Germany, how often do you think about that moment and that tournament?

"Looking back on the whole thing it's disappointing how the referee handled the whole situation. I think that it could have been handled a bit better. especially given how obvious it was. Referees make mistakes and I accept that, but at the same time it would have been great to score a goal at the World Cup, especially against a keeper like Oliver Kahn who was having a great tournament. It's disappointing, it would have been great to score against Germany and hopefully put us in a position to possibly win that game and go to the semifinals. Having said that though, it happens in a game and I was a part of other decisions that went our way as a team so in the end it all evens out."

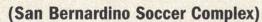
2009 Galaxy Events

The Galaxy bring great events to Southern California all year long

he Galaxy is known for bringing exciting tournaments, soccer camps and clinics to the Southern California area. You can take part in the COPA LA soccer tournament or participate in Galaxy Fantasy Camps and clinics, featuring Galaxy alumni and coaches as well as current players such as Sean Franklin and Cobi Jones. You'll learn from a group of hand selected Galaxy camp coaches who will teach the technical skills and drills straight from the Galaxy's training textbook.

2009 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

COPA LA — May 23-25



The eighth annual COPA LA will again take place this Memorial Day weekend at the soccer complex in San Bernardino. Last year COPA LA had almost 150 teams participating in youth divisions and made for a memorable Memorial Day weekend for everybody involved. Families and players were treated to a fun and competitive weekend which included and interactive theme park, sponsor booths and gifts and appearances by LA Galaxy players. Make your plans now and have your team sign up for the annual COPA LA soccer tournament. Event details:

- * 3-game guarantee
- * Professionally maintained fields
- * Certified Referees
- * Specially priced Galaxy tickets for participants and their families
 - * Appearances by Galaxy players
 - * Goody bags for all participants
 - * Team trophies for top two teams
 - * Galaxy Academy Scouts in attendance

2009 MLS ¡Futbolito!™ August 15, 2009 The Home Depot Center

After a successful 2008 year held at the Rose Bowl MLS Futbolito, the official 4v4 Soccer Tournament of MLS and the LA Galaxy is back. Last year close to 160 teams participated in this one-day

event that saw over 3,000 spectators come out to the Rose Bowl. This year MLS Futbolito brings all of the exciting action to The Home Depot Center on August 15, when the Galaxy host the Seattle Sounders FC.







Galaxy Youth Soccer Fantasy
Camp — August 24–27,
The Home Depot Center
Galaxy Adult Soccer Fantasy
Camp — December 9–13,
The Home Depot Center
Galaxy Youth Soccer Camps
— Year-round

Los Angeles Galaxy Community Clinic Series

California on a monthly basis. A Galaxy staff coach provides skills training to the participants. We have several dates scheduled and would love to hear from your non-profit group if you are interested. To register or for more information, visit www.lagalaxy.com and click into the "Galaxy Events" page or email bshepard@lagalaxy.com.

The Galaxy Street Team participates in a variety of community events while engaging fans of all ages to have fun leaving a lasting Galaxy impression long after the event! Consisting of energetic team mem-



bers, the Galaxy Street Team brings a radio remote style flair to every event comprised of interactive games, prizes, inflatables, Galaxy

trivia, highlight videos and much more. For more information regarding The Galaxy Street Team visit the Fan Forum Section at lagalaxy.com.

The **Galaxy Futboleros** are "Soccer Entertainers" who have created a new and unique way to entertain



the soccer world! The freestyle soccer performances consist of basic juggling skills, catching, lifting and

extreme combinations. With passion and excitement, Galaxy Futboleros brings any crowd to its feet with a complex freestyle showcase of soccer tricks. This group is truly one of a kind.

Be sure to catch the Galaxy Futboleros out in the community or at all 2009 LA Galaxy home games.

An MLS Pledge To Its Fans

League works towards an even better fan experience at games

n the eve of MLS First Kick 2009, Major League Soccer announced a Fan Code of Conduct and a Pledge to Fans, which the league expects will help enhance the supporters' experience and safety at stadiums throughout the league.

"MLS is proud of its Fan Code of Conduct and Pledge to Fans because they communicate the core values we share with our fans, who we believe are the best in sports," Major League Soccer Commissioner Don Garber said. "Our goal is to reinforce our commitment to positive and enthusiastic behavior while maintaining the proper respect for everyone in the

stadium and for the competition itself."

The Fan Code of Conduct is not meant to mute the voice of fans or the increased traveling support seen throughout the league, but rather to serve as a guideline for appropriate behavior to ensure the ultimate fan experience before, during and after Major League Soccer games.

The Pledge to Fans is a list of what fans can expect from the league during a game. Both the Fan Code of Conduct and Pledge to Fans will be visible on signage in every Major League Soccer stadium, as well as distributed to fans entering MLS stadiums.



Putting Their Stamp on Major League Soccer

Infusion of talent bolsters MLS rosters in 2009 • By Dylan Butler

ust a month or so into the Major League Soccer season, they were already the toasts of the league, having played in front of ener-

getic sellout home crowds at Qwest Field and surprisingly sat atop the Western Conference standings after three matches.

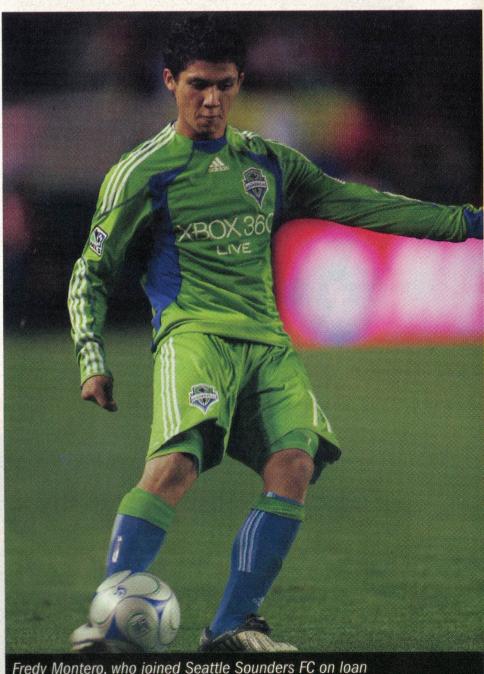
Expansion side Seattle Sounders FC took MLS by storm and a big part of the squad's success is a trio defender Taylor Graham refers to as the "Three Amigos."

Fredy Montero, Jhon Kennedy Hurtado and Osvaldo Alonso have all been major players in the best story in the league, thus far. And all three are part of a group of 37 newcomers to MLS who have placed their stamps on the league already.

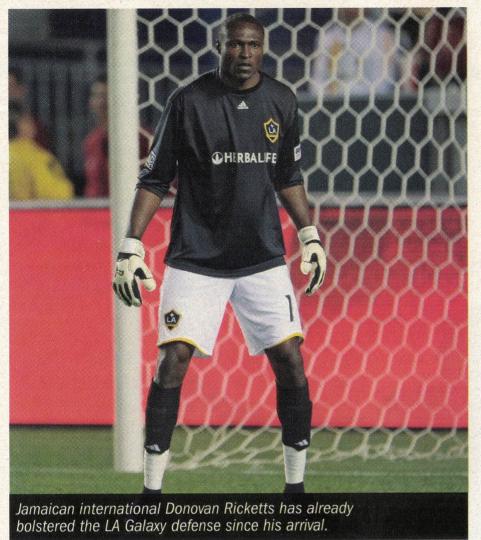
Montero, the 21-year-old Colombian on Ioan from Deportivo Cali, was the first MLS Player of the Month after scoring three goals in the Sounders first two games, including a stunning brace in his debut, a 3-0 drubbing of the New York Red Bulls.

His third strike, a golazo from long distance, lifted Sounders FC to a 2-0 win against Real Salt Lake in Week 2 and earned him a second MLS Goal of the Week honor.

While Freddie Ljungberg was the player who received the most attention when Sounders FC



Fredy Montero, who joined Seattle Sounders FC on loan from Colombia's Deportivo Cali, scored twice in his MLS debut.



signed the former Arsenal and West Ham midfielder as its Designated Player, it was Fredy

Montero who drew rave reviews in the early portion of the season.

"We knew over the course of the season that Fredy Montero was going to surprise a few goalkeepers, the way his ball moves when he (hits) it," Sounders FC coach Sigi Schmid said. "Obviously (he got) the league's attention."

Hurtado is a 24-year-old center back from Colombia who also played for Cali and helped anchor a backline that opened the season with three consecutive clean sheets, and Alonso is a 23-yearold Cuban refugee who played for the Charleston Battery of the United Soccer Leagues First Division last year.

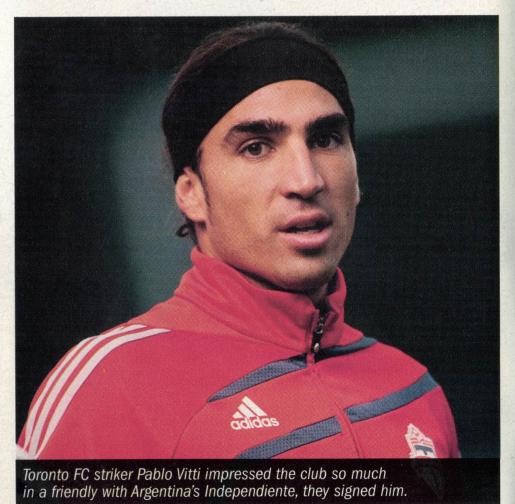
"We take our job with a lot of responsibility and seriousness, but at the same time we feel very fortunate and lucky for what we are doing," Hurtado said through a translator. "Because of that, we are always smiling and trying to have a good laugh."

Seattle isn't the only MLS team bolstered by new talent.

Despite being limited to one game due to injury, Jamaican international goalkeeper Donovan Ricketts earned MLS Player of the Week for Week 4 and will be looked upon to lead the Los Angeles Galaxy defensive unit. The Houston Dynamo recently added Canadian international defender Andrew Hainault from FK SIAD Most of the Czech Republic.

Santiago Hirsig, a veteran No. 10 from Argentina, has joined Claudio Lopez with Kansas City, 25-year-old U.S. striker Cam Weaver is starting up top for the San Jose Earthquakes and Pablo Vitti, a 23-year-old Argentine, has brought some creative flair from

playing at Independiente.





Vitti was part of the Argentina under-20 squad that defeated Nigeria for the 2005 FIFA World Youth Championship title in the Netherlands.

"I thought he was the one guy who showed me little sparks of brightness in the final third," former Toronto FC coach John Carver said after Vitti's first start in a 1-1 draw with defending MLS Cup champion Columbus on March 28. "I thought if he gets 90 minutes under his belt, he'll benefit from that. I'm quite happy with his progress."

Of the 37 new players, 16 have senior national team experience for their countries and five others have youth international caps.

When New York Red Bulls coach Juan Carlos Osorio sought out to revamp his side, he first looked at U.S. talent already within MLS. But when New York was unable to trade for a pair of fullbacks, the search went to Central America where Osorio found Carlos Johnson (Costa Rica) and Alfredo Pacheco (El Salvador), both regular national team starters.

"They are two very good examples because they are players who play for their national team and when I went looking for them, they were

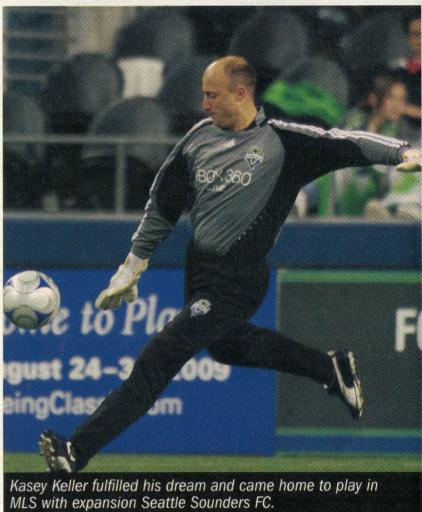


very pleased to be part of the New York Red Bulls," Osorio said. "That tells me that a lot of players out there are taking an interest in the league and an interest in our club. That's good, that's positive."

Pacheco, a 26-year-old left back who has 66 caps with the El Salvadoran national team, said it always was his dream to play overseas and believes he could be the first of many from El Salvador who can make the jump to MLS.

"It definitely opens doors, but now it's a matter of getting it into the heads of the players in El Salvador that they can play overseas," he said through a translator. "(MLS is) a step above, a lot more physical and faster. It's an improvement, a better league than their league."

Johnson and Pacheco are also joined by Albert Celades, a 33-year-old Spanish midfielder who played at both Barcelona and Real Madrid. The central midfielder is look-



PRIMARY REGISTRATION WINDOW SIGNINGS: JAN. 21 - APRIL 15, 2009

Player Name

Alonso, Osvaldo Assengue, Stephane Davies, Kyle

Escalada, Luis Miguel

Ferreira, David

Gomez, Emmanuel

Hainault, Andrew Hirsig, Santiago

Hurtado, Jhon Kennedy

Jakovic, Dejan Montero, Fredy

Osei, Emmanuel

Pacheco, Alfredo

Richardson, Gregory

Ricketts, Donovan Sanchez, Alvaro

Sanyang, Amadou

Vitti, Pablo Weaver, Cam

Previous Club

Charleston Battery (USL)

Daga Young Stars (Cameroon)

Southampton FC (England)

Liga Deportivo Quito (Ecuador)

Clube Atletico Paranaense (Brazil)

Samger FC (Gambia)

FK SIAD Most (Czech Republic)

CA San Lorenzo (Argentina)

Asociación Deportivo Cali (Colombia)

FC Red Star Belgrade (Serbia)

Asociación Deportivo Cali (Colombia)

Liberty Professionals (Ghana)

CD F.A.S. (El Salvador)

Joe Public FC (Trinidad & Tobago)

Village United (Jamaica)

San Carlos FC (Costa Rica)

Real de Banjul (Gambia)

FC Chornomorets Odessa (Ukraine)

FK Haugesund (Norway)

Current MLS Club

Seattle Sounders FC

New England Revolution

Real Salt Lake

Real Salt Lake

FC Dallas

Toronto FC

Houston Dynamo

Kansas City Wizards

Seattle Sounders FC

D.C. United

Seattle Sounders FC

New England Revolution

New York Red Bulls

Colorado Rapids

Los Angeles Galaxy

FC Dallas

Toronto FC

Toronto FC

San Jose Earthquakes



ing forward to the fresh challenge that MLS brings.

"It's a new experience," he said through a translator. "I played in Spain for a long time. I wanted to experience a new league, a new experience, a new team."

In the past, the Red Bulls have signed foreign players who were past their prime, who looked at Major League Soccer as a place to end a storied career. That's not the case with many of the current crop of newcomers, like Johnson and Pacheco, who are young and hungry, not looking for one final payday before retirement.

"Before I think there was a misconception about what it means to be successful in this league," Osorio said. "We had a lot of players that maybe came here thinking that it was going to be easy and it wasn't. I think that is changing and it's only going to improve the quality of the league."

Dylan Butler covers Major League Soccer for MLSnet.com, the league's official website

OTHER NEW ACQUISITIONS SINCE MLS CUP 2008:

Player Name

Akinbiyi, Adeola Berhalter, Gregg Campos, Pablo Celades, Albert Convey, Bobby Elliott, Simon Jaqua, Nate Johnson, Carlos Keller, Kasey LeToux, Sebastien Lillingston, Eduardo Ljungberg, Freddie N'Silu, Ange Nyassi, Sanna Pickens, Matt Purdy, Steve Trujillo, Mariano

Previous Club

Burnley FC (England) 1860 Munich (Germany) GAIS Gothenburg (Sweden) Real Zaragoza (Spain) Reading FC (England) Fulham FC (England) SCR Altach (Austria) Bryne FK (Norway) Fulham FC (England) Seattle Sounders (USL) Tecos UAG (Mexico) West Ham United FC (England) FC Le Mont (Switzerland) Ports Authority (Gambia Queens' Park Rangers (England) 1860 Munich (Germany) Atlante FC (Mexico) Hamilton Academical FC (Scotland)

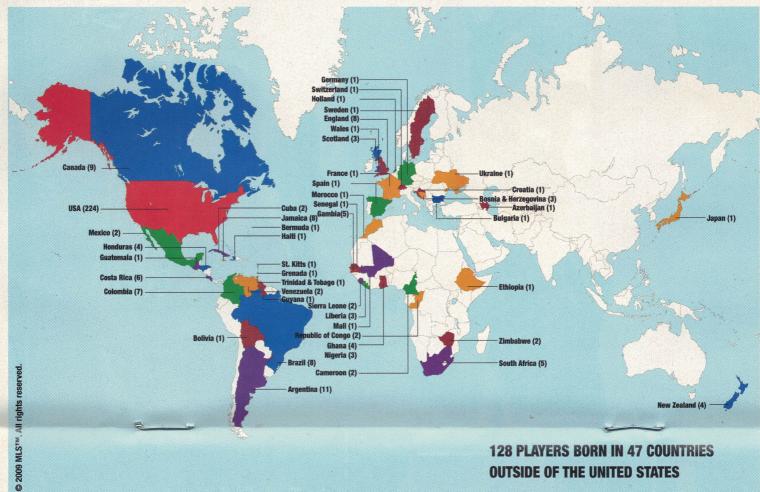
Current MLS Club

Houston Dynamo Los Angeles Galaxy San Jose Earthquakes New York Red Bulls San Jose Earthquakes San Jose Earthquakes Seattle Sounders FC New York Red Bulls Seattle Sounders FC Seattle Sounders FC Chivas USA Seattle Sounders FC D.C. United Seattle Sounders FC Colorado Rapids FC Dallas Chivas USA **New England Revolution**

Videira, Michael



MLS PLAYERS BY PLACE OF BIRTH



128 PLAYERS BORN IN 47 COUNTRIES OUTSIDE OF THE UNITED STATES

BASED ON PLAYERS UNDER CONTRACT AS OF 03/31/09

Argentina (11) Guillermo Barros Schelotto (CLB) Christian Gómez (DC) Santiago Hirsig (KC) Claudio López (KC) Pablo Mastroeni (COL) Javier Morales (RSL) Gino Padula (CLB) Juan Pietravallo (NY)

Azerbaijan (1) Yura Movsisyan (RSL)

Pablo Ricchetti (FCD)

Darío Sala (FCD) Pablo Vitti (TOR)

Bermuda (1) Khano Smith (NY)

Bolivia (1) Jaime Moreno (DC)

Bosnia & Herzegovina (3) Baggio Huisidic (CHI) Peri Marosevic (FCD) Sinisa Ubiparipovic (NY)

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Bulgaria (1) Stefan Dimitrov (CHI)

Cameroon (2) Stephane A. Ombiogno (NE) Matthew Mbuta (NY)

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France (1) Sébastien Le Toux (SEA)

Gambia (5) Emmanuel Gomez (TOR) Sainey Nyassi (NE) Sanna Nyassi (SEA) Abdoulie Mansally (NE) Amadou Sanyang (TOR)

Germany (1) Josh Wicks (DC)

Ghana (4) Emmanuel Osei (NE) Patrick Nyarko (CHI) Dominic Oduro (NY) Robbie Russell (RSL)

Grenada (1) Shalrie Joseph (NE)

Guatemala (1) Marco Pappa (CHI)

Guyana (1) Gregory Richardson (COL)

Haiti (1) Jean Alexandre (RSL)

Holland (1) Dave van den Bergh (FCD)

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Japan (1) Kosuke Kimura (COL)

Liberia (3) Louis Crayton (DC) Francis Doe (DC) Alex Nimo (RSL)

Mali (1) Bakary Soumare (CHI)

Mexico (3) Cuauhtémoc Blanco (CHI) Eduardo Lillingston (CHV) Mariano Trujillo (CHV)

Morocco (1) Mehdi Ballouchy (COL)

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Senegal (1) Macoumba Kandji (NY)

Sierra Leone (2) Michael Lahoud (CHV) Kei Kamara (HOU)

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St. Kitts (1) Atiba Harris (CHV)

Sweden (1) Freddie Ljungberg (SEA)

Switzerland (1) Stefan Frei (TOR)

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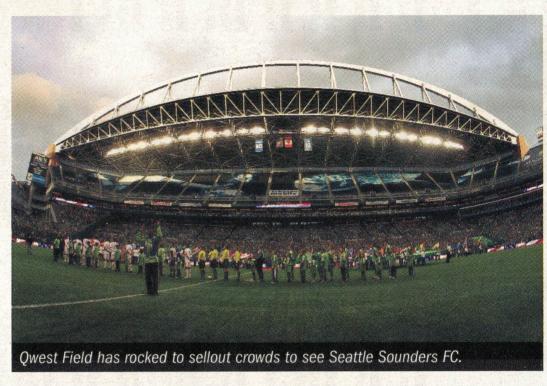
MLS CUP 2009 IS HEADED TO SEATTLE

eattle Sounders FC and the passionate soccer fans in the Pacific Northwest will host Major League Soccer's premier event, MLS Cup 2009, at Qwest Field on Sunday, Nov. 22 at 8:30 p.m. ET (live on ESPN).

Even before their debut match in Major League Soccer, Seattle Sounders FC attracted a large fan base. The club has sold more than 20,000 season ticket packages, which now

include a ticket to MLS Cup 2009, the League's 14th annual championship game.

Qwest Field will become the eighth stadium to host Major League Soccer's season-ending championship game. "The city of Seattle and Qwest Field will be a tremendous setting for our country's marquee soccer event of the year," MLS



Commissioner Don Garber said. "The stadium was designed with soccer in mind and we believe the buzz surrounding Sounders FC will add to the electricity at our championship game. We hope to see supporters clubs from all around the League join us in the Emerald City in November, regardless of which two teams advance to the final."

VANCOUVER, PORTLAND TO JOIN MLS

ver two days during the First Kick 2009 opening weekend to the season, Major League Soccer expanded by two teams as Vancouver, British Columbia and Portland, Oregon became the 17th and 18th teams in the League.

The Vancouver MLS team will begin play in 2011 at the newly renovated BC Place Stadium in the city's downtown entertainment district. The venue will undergo approximately CDN\$365 million in improvements before the new MLS team takes to the field, and will have a seamless 20,000-seat soccer-specific configuration.

The Vancouver ownership group consists of Greg Kerfoot, Steve Luczo, Jeff Mallett and Steve Nash. Kerfoot is the owner of Vancouver Whitecaps FC and former CEO of Crystal Decisions Software. Luczo is president, CEO and

chairman of the board for Seagate Technology and part owner of the National Basketball Association's Boston Celtics. Mallett is part owner of Major League Baseball's San Francisco Giants and is the former president and COO of Yahoo! Nash – a guard for the NBA Phoenix Suns – is a two-time NBA MVP.

The announcement of Portland as the League's 18th club came just two days after Vancouver. Owned by the Paulson family, the team will play at a renovated PGE Park in downtown Portland. Known for its fervent support of soccer since the heyday of the North American Soccer League's Portland Timbers in the 1970s, Portland completes this round of expansion for MLS, which could expand to 20 teams by 2012 if two additional cities are deemed ready to join.

HARTMAN SETS SAVES RECORD

n March 28, Kansas City Wizards goalkeeper Kevin Hartman broke the all-time MLS saves record during the first half of a match against the Colorado Rapids.

Hartman entered the match trailing former Wizards standout Tony Meola by only one save for his third major goalkeeping record. Hartman tied Meola's mark with his 1136th career stop in the 44th minute Saturday off a hard-hit shot from Rapids midfielder Nick LaBrocca, and just two minutes later Hartman became the all-time saves leader by covering a shot off the left foot of Colorado forward Omar Cummings. Hartman already held the alltime marks for career wins (138) and shutouts (77).



Kansas City's Kevin Hartman, the all-time MLS leader in wins and shutouts, added the saves mark to his personal record book.

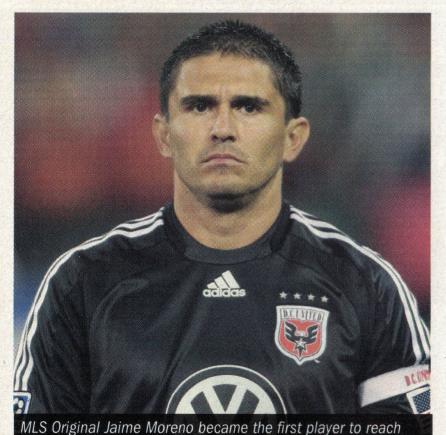
MORENO BECOMES 100-100 MAN

ith a dramatic 91st-minute assist in D.C. United's 1-1 tie against the New England Revolution on April 17, Jaime Moreno became the first player in MLS history to record 100 goals and 100 assists. His pass in stoppage time to set up Ben Olsen's goal, gave the Bolivian forward his100th assist. Coupled with his unmatched 122 goals in League play,

> the feat is yet another accomplishment in Moreno's long and storied career in Major League Soccer.

> No stranger to making history, Moreno became the League's leading goal scorer in 2007, netting his 109th goal against New York on Aug. 22, 2007. Last season, Moreno again set an impressive mark, tallying 10 goals and 10 assists to join the retired Preki as the only two players to have ever accomplished this feat in four seasons during a career.

> Moreno has been named to the MLS Best XI four times in his career. He hit the goal-scoring century mark in 2006, the same year that he was named as part of the All-Time Best XI to celebrate the 10th season of MLS, also chipping in 11 goals and 10 assists that year. The legendary striker is a seven-time MLS All-Star.



triple-digits in both goals and assists in MLS history.

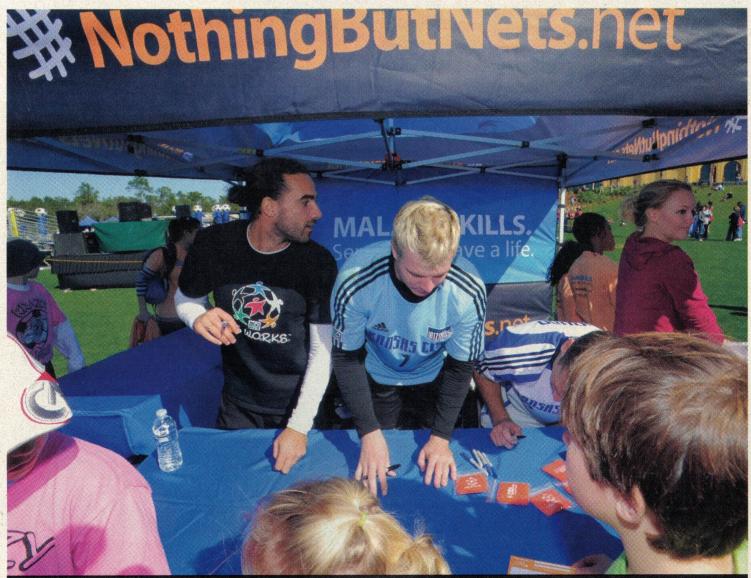
De Rosario, MLS W.O.R.K.S. Hit Nothing But Nets

Toronto FC midfielder teams up with MLS W.O.R.K.S. to combat malaria • By Patrick Thurston

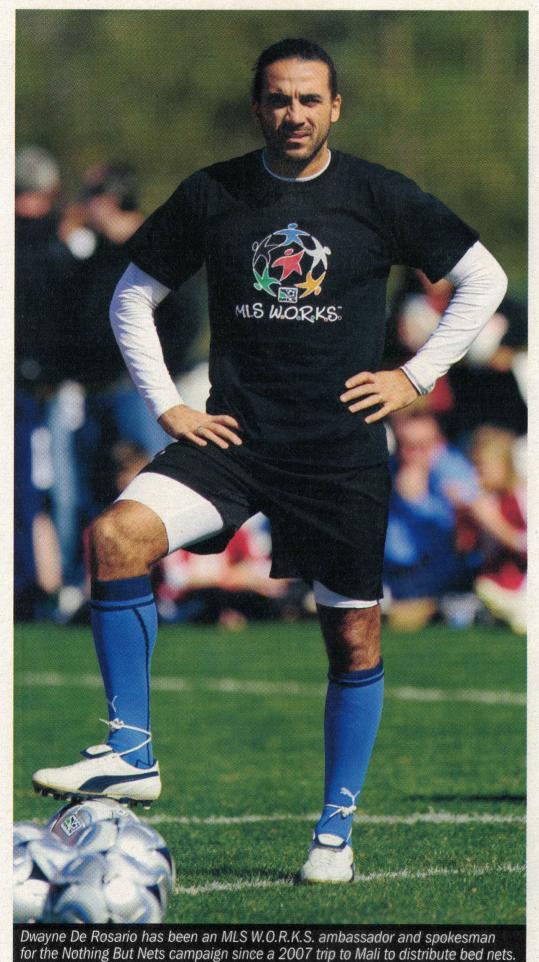
alaria kills more than one million people each year. In Africa, the disease is the leading killer of children under the age of five claiming a child's life every 30 seconds - as well as being the No. 1 killer of refugees.

MLS W.O.R.K.S. - in the third year of its partnership with the UN Foundation's Nothing But Nets campaign - and national spokesman

Dwayne De Rosario from Toronto FC are more committed than ever to help fight this deadly disease. World Malaria Day was April 25 and it marked the kickoff for MLS W.O.R.K.S.' seasonlong campaign to continue to raise awareness and funds. Various events and promotions will run throughout 2009, including a season-long sweepstakes where fans will have the chance to win a



MLS W.O.R.K.S. ambassadors and Nothing But Nets spokesmen Dwayne De Rosario (Toronto FC), Kevin Hartman and Jimmy Conrad (both Kansas City Wizards) sign autographs at the Kick It 3v3 Championships.



trip for two to MLS Cup 2009 in Seattle.

Clubs around the League have already begun to engage their fans to support the campaign. The Chicago Fire, D.C. United, Seattle Sounders FC and LA Galaxy launched a month-long challenge in April to raise awareness and funds for bed nets. Every fan that made a donation in those markets now stands a chance to win a trip to the 2009 MLS All-Star game in Salt Lake City. Additional events were conducted during and around matches on April 25 to promote World Malaria Day.

With Sounders FC grabbing so many headlines for the strong support they have been receiving on the field, it was no surprise that commitment to the cause was evident during their leg of the Nothing But Nets city tour. Among the highlights was Sigi Schmid's attendance at a downtown gathering of fellow contributors to the campaign.

Accompanied by defender James Riley and Gambian midfielder Sanna Nyassi - who himself suffered from malaria as a teenager - Schmid introduced the fundraising challenge. The competition will hopefully serve as a catalyst for MLS fans to donate funds to the campaign and help to send an insecticide-treated bed net to a family (and correctly explain its use) for only \$10.

One man who is unwavering in his commitment to the Nothing But Nets campaign is Toronto FC's Dwayne De Rosario. The two-time MLS Cup MVP has taken on the role of MLS W.O.R.K.S./Nothing But Nets national spokesman after

former Chicago Fire midfielder Diego Gutierrez retired.

De Rosario has been involved with MLS W.O.R.K.S. initiatives in the past and will continue to build upon the progress that Gutierrez made. In 2007, De Rosario traveled to Africa with Gutierrez to

distribute life-saving bed nets in Mali and knows exactly how important his new role will be.

"MLS W.O.R.K.S. is a great organization and being spokesperson is a real blessing and a dream come true for me." De Rosario said. "Having the opportunity to go to Mali and see firsthand the cause and effect of malaria made my eyes open and I realized how much impact we truly have as athletes.

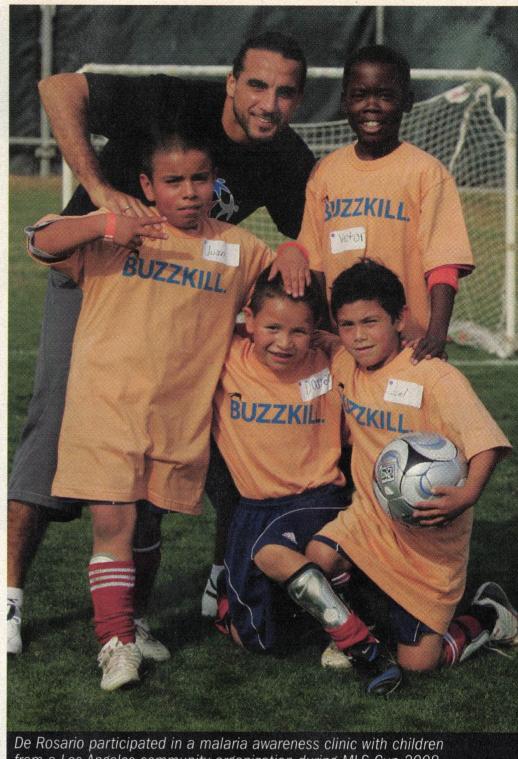
"I'm a proud father," De Rosario continued, "and if any of my kids had malaria I would pray that someone who had the facilities or had the avenues would do whatever they could to try to help them."

Working in conjunction with MLS W.O.R.K.S., De Rosario has had the opportunity to help families who face this life-threatening disease.

"It's a feeling that you can't really put into words because it's so gratifying when you're giving kids bed nets and you see the looks on the kids' faces." reflected De Rosario. "It's a smile of hope, a smile because basically you're giving them their lives back."

When De Rosario signed with Toronto FC this past offseason he brought to an end an eight-year stint with the San Jose/Houston club with whom he won three MLS Cups. He said he felt "it was the right time for something new, and Toronto fit the bill." Playing back in his native Ontario for the first time since 1997, De Rosario claims the transition has been smooth and credits Toronto FC for making the process "as easy as possible." With his proven commitment to MLS W.O.R.K.S. it can be expected that De Rosario will adapt to his new role as national spokesperson with similar ease.

"MLS W.O.R.K.S. is huge, because it's touching people in need," said De Rosario. "I'm just one guy,



from a Los Angeles community organization during MLS Cup 2008.

but when you have a lot of teams and players stepping up then obviously it creates much more of a buzz throughout the media and throughout the world, and that's what MLS W.O.R.K.S. does."

For just \$10 a life-saving bed net can be given to someone in need. Along with the insecticide-treated bed net, your donation will ensure that the recipient will be properly instructed on its usage. MLS W.O.R.K.S. is working hard to help save lives; for just \$10 you can save one too.

To learn more about the Nothing But Nets campaign and how you can make a donation, visit their official website at www.nothingbutnets.net. To learn more about MLS W.O.R.K.S., please visit www.MLSnet.com/works.

The Voice of the Galaxy

Announcer Joe Tutino has seen – and called – it all for the Galaxy

ew people have seen as many LA Galaxy games in person as the club's English language radio broadcaster Joe Tutino. Associated with the Galaxy since the club's inaugural season in 1996, Tutino has been behind the microphone since the 1999 season, handling the play-by-play duties for Galaxy radio broadcasts, and also being the club's television voice from 1999-2002.

The 39-year old San Diego native has seen the Galaxy win all five of their championships, including both MLS Cup championships, and has had the chance to comment on the action involving some of the world's top players as they take on the Galaxy.

You were there for the first game in Galaxy history serving as the public address announcer at the Rose Bowl. What was that experience like?

It was amazing. The club had expected some 30-thousand fans for the first game which would have been a sellout with the way the Rose Bowl was setup with tarps covering the unused seating. Well, as the gates opened and the fans began to come in, stadium security began pulling the tarps off the seats and the place began to fill up more and more. It went from expecting 30-thousand fans to nearly 70-thousand on the night. Cobi Jones scoring the Galaxy's first goal and Arash Noamouz getting game winner made the place go nuts.

What are some of you other fond memories during your time with the Galaxy?

That first game in '96 is a great one for me. All the championship games (beginning in '99) I've been fortunate enough to announce. The western conference final against Chicago in 2000 with Mauricio Cienfuegos beating Zach Thornton on a rainbow of a shot from around 40 yards to win it in overtime was great. Also, that it was at legendary Soldier Field is something special to me.

Obviously, the first win in an MLS Cup final in '02. I don't think anyone could write a better script for how that game ended - one of the great counters

from nearly surrendering the game-winning goal on the other end. And the finish by Carlos Ruiz – well, let's just say I lost my mind on that call.

The first game at the Home Depot Center was a special one. Witnessing the great Pele walk onto the field prior and knowing we finally took a great step forward with this sport in this country was a proud day. I think that was the day where I knew in my mind we as a sport are going to be ok after all.

Calling the final in '05 was a special day as well. Pando Ramirez scoring his only goal from the run of play that whole season was just a great moment and it could have won goal of the year honors if it were available to vote on.

What is the best part of your job?

Delivering the call to fans is what I enjoy the most. Knowing I had a part in helping them enjoy a match is very rewarding.

What is it like calling games from The Home Depot Center and how is it different than the Rose Bowl?

It's great calling games from The Home Depot Center. The site lines are perfect. The broadcast booth is right on top of the action and the amenities are state of the art. It's just a beautiful place regardless of sport.

The atmosphere is amazing, especially with the supporter's clubs starting to take hold. Their involvement just gets you going. When the Riot Squad gets going and the Angel City Brigade start their chants and the Galaxians with their drums, it's electric and from a broadcaster's standpoint makes for a more entertaining presentation.

As far as the Rose Bowl, well, it's a totally different animal. Broadcasters are far away from action and the fans. While it's always an honor to broadcast from such a historical arena, the intimacy of The Home Depot Center just cannot be duplicated at the Rose Bowl. Still, there were great memories there and those will never be forgotten.

Meet the Academy

Get to know Ivan Garcia and Cameron Souri

IVAN GARCIA #41

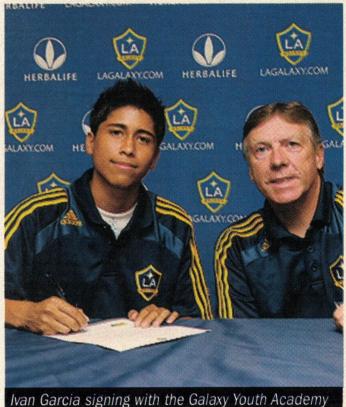
LA Galaxy Youth Academy U-18 Midfielder · Corona, Calif.

Favorite Galaxy Player: Landon Donovan

On playing for the Galaxy Youth Academy: "It's a pretty big honor because I grew up watching Galaxy games and now knowing that I have an opportunity to become a pro with this club is incredible."

On the level of competition within the team: "It's a new experience and it is a lot of work, but I like it. Everyone here is a star in their own sense so you have to come out to practice everyday and be ready to give everything."

On the coaching that the teams receive: "The coaching that we get is the same as what the pros are getting so the level of training is so high that it tests you everyday and makes you a better player. It makes you try that much harder because you want to be the best and show that you have what it takes to become a professional.



in 2008.

Cameron Souri is ready for action with the U16's in Development Academy play.

CAMERON SOURI #77

LA Galaxy Youth Academy U-16 Midfielder · Corona, Calif.

Favorite Galaxy Player: Bryan Jordan

On playing for the Galaxy Youth Academy: "I love it. I grew up watching Galaxy games and I always wanted to be on the field with them, so this is a dream come true."

What is your best memory from playing with the Galaxy Youth Academy so far:

"We played against Nomads FC in our first game back in September and I had a really nice goal in the second half. We won that game so it meant a lot."

What does it mean to you to be wearing the Galaxy shirt: "It's unreal. I used to play for another club but you didn't have the opportunity to move up to the professional level like you have here so it wasn't the same. This is an incredible opportunity."

Did You Know?

Facts about your LA Galaxy players

- * For the third straight season, Landon Donovan started the year as the focal point of the Galaxy offense. In 2007, Donovan either scored or assisted on each of the Galaxy's first seven goals before departing for U.S. National Team duty. Last year, Donovan scored or assisted on each of the Galaxy's first eight goals of the season and 10 of their first 11. In 2009, Donovan scored the Galaxy's first two goals of the season in the second half of a 2-2 draw with D.C. United and then assisted on their next three goals, two in the 3-2 loss to Colorado and one more in the 1-1 draw at San Jose, before scoring their sixth goal if the season late in the 1-1 draw at Colorado on April 25. In the 2007 and 2008 seasons, Donovan scored 28 goals and added 22 assists, meaning that he directly factored in 50 of the Galaxy's 93 goals scored, which were the second most in MLS in that time.
- * This was the first time since the 2002 season and just the second time ever that the Galaxy did not win one of their first five games of the season.
- * On April 4 the Galaxy played the 400th regular season game in club history, losing 3-2. The Galaxy have now lost their 100th, 200th, 300th and 400th games all-time.
- * The Galaxy roster has won a combined 13 MLS Cup titles, led by Landon Donovan, who lifted the trophy in 2001, 2003 and 2005. Todd Dunivant (2003 and 2005), Tony Sanneh (1996 and 1997) and Josh Saunders (2003 and 2005) each won the Cup twice while Alan Gordon (2005), Chris Klein (2000), Dema Kovalenko (2004) and Stefani Miglioranzi (2008) each won one MLS Cup championship. However, only Klein (2004), Mike Magee (2008) and Sanneh (1998) have reached an MLS Cup and lost, with only Sanneh



playing in his team's losing efforts. Klein missed the 2004 MLS Cup through injury while Magee was an unused substitute in New York's 3-1 loss to Columbus last season.

- * With **Omar Gonzalez's** goal against Colorado on April 4, three Galaxy rookies have now scored their first career goal in the last three league games between the two sides at The Home Depot Center. **Ely Allen** and **Brandon McDonald** each got their first career goal for the Galaxy last season at home against the Rapids as Gonzalez did this season.
- * Donovan Ricketts became the third goalkeeper in Galaxy history, joining Kevin Hartman and Joe Cannon as the only goalkeepers in Galaxy history to keep a clean sheet in their first-ever start for the club.
- * With an assist in the season opener against D.C. United, **Kyle Patterson** became the first rookie in Galaxy history to record a goal or an assist in a season opening match.



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