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#### OL REIGN 2020 NWSL CHALLENGE CUP PRELIMINARY ROUND SCHEDULE

DATE		OPPONENT	TIME (PT)	VENUE	PLATFORM
Tuesday	6/30	Sky Blue FC	7:00 p.m.	Zions Bank Stadium	CBS All Access
Saturday	7/4	at Houston Dash	7:00 p.m.	Zions Bank Stadium	CBS All Access
Wednesday	7/8	at Utah Royals FC	9:30 a.m.	Zions Bank Stadium	CBS All Access
Monday	7/13	Portland Thorns	9:30 a.m.	Zions Bank Stadium	CBS All Access



#### CLUB HISTORY

One of the eight inaugural members of the National Women's Soccer League, OL Reign was founded in 2012 as Seattle Reign FC by owners Bill and Teresa Predmore. The club played its first season at Starfire Stadium in Tukwila, Washington, before moving to Memorial Stadium in Seattle in 2014. The club won consecutive NWSL Shields in 2014 and 2015, finishing at the top of the table both seasons. Head coach Laura Harvey was named the NWSL Coach of the Year for the 2014 and 2015 seasons. The club missed the playoffs in 2016 and 2017, before returning in 2018 in its first season under head coach Vlatko Andonovski. On January 30, 2019, OL Reign announced that it would begin playing its home matches at Cheney Stadium in Tacoma, Washington. The club reached the NWSL semifinals for a second consecutive season in 2019, before Andonovski departed the club to accept the head coaching position with the U.S. Women's National Team.

In November of 2019, it was announced that Bill and Teresa Predmore had entered into exclusive negotiations to sell the club to OL Groupe, the parent company of Olympique Lyonnais. The sale was announced on December 19, 2019, with OL Groupe becoming 89.5% owners, Bill and Teresa Predmore retaining a 7.5% stake, and four-time NBA champion Tony Parker holding a 3.0% stake. In March 2020, the club officially unveiled its new name and crest ahead of the 2020 season.

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#### YEAR-BY-YEAR REGULAR SEASON RESULTS

YEAR	GP	W	L	D	GF	GA	GD	PTS	POS	AWARDS
2019	24	10	6	8	27	27	0	38	4	
2018	24	11	5	8	27	19	8	41	3	
2017	24	9	8	7	43	37	6	34	5	
2016	20	8	6	6	29	21	8	30	5	
2015	20	13	3	4	41	21	20	43	1	NWSL Shield
2014	24	16	2	6	50	20	30	54	1	NWSL Shield
2013	22	5	14	3	22	36	-14	18	7	
TOTAL	158	72	44	42	239	181	58	258		



#### INDIVIDUAL **ACCOLADES**

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**NWSL Best XI** 

Jess Fishlock

NWSL Second XI

Megan Rapinoe

Player of the Week Jess Fishlock - Week 2

Coach of the Year

Defender of the Year

Player of the Month

Megan Rapinoe -July

Lauren Barnes

Laura Harvey

Megan Rapinoe - Week 16

2014

NWSL Best XI

Kendall Fletcher Jess Fishlock Kim Little

Nahomi Kawasumi

**NWSL Second XI** 

Hope Solo Lauren Barnes Steph Cox

NWSL Second XI

Kendall Fletcher

Keelin Winters

Megan Rapinoe

NWSL Second XI

NWSL Second XI

Megan Rapinoe

Jess Fishlock

Kim Little

Steph Cox

MVP **Golden Boot** Kim Little

Kim Little

Coach of the Year

Laura Harveu

Player of the Month

Player of the Week

Kim Little - Wk 2, 3

Player of the Week

Haley Kopmeyer - Wk 1

Jess Fishlock - Wk 2, 22

Nahomi Kawasumi - Wk 5

Megan Rapinoe - Wk 11, 14

Nahomi Kawasumi - Wk 11 Manon Melis - Wk 16

Kim Little - June

Player of the Month Kim Little - April

Kim Little - May Kim Little - July

Player of the Week

Jess Fishlock - Wk 9 Beverly Yanez - Wk 15

Team of the Month\*

Jess Fishlock - April, June

Nahomi Kawasumi - May

Megan Rapinoe - June, July

Kim Little - Wk 19

Sydney Leroux - Wk 4

Nahomi Kawasumi - Wk 13, 16

Player of the Week

2015

**NWSL Best XI** 

Lauren Barnes Jess Fishlock

Kim Little Beverly Yanez

2016

**NWSL Best XI** 

Lauren Barnes

2017

**NWSL Best XI** 

Jess Fishlock

2018

**NWSL Best XI** 

Megan Rapinoe

NWSL Second XI

Steph Catley

Lydia Williams

Player of the Month

Megan Rapinoe - March

Player of the Week

Megan Rapinoe - Wk 1, 7

Megan Rapinoe - March, July

Steph Catley - May Theresa Nielsen - July, Aug. Megan Oyster - Aug.

Lydia Williams - Aug.

Team of the Month\*

2019

**NWSL Second XI** Lauren Barnes

Bethany Balcer Megan Rapinoe Rookie of the Year

Bethany Balcer

Coach of the Year Vlatko Andonovski Player of the Month

Jess Fishlock - June

Player of the Week Jess Fishlock - Week 9

Ifeoma Onumonu – Week 10 Darian Jenkins - Week 21 Jodie Taylor - Week 24

Team of the Month\*

Megan Oyster - June Jess Fishlock - June Ifeoma Onumonu - June Lauren Barnes - September Beverly Yanez - September

<sup>\*</sup> Award began in 2017 season



### TECHNICAL STAFF



#### FARID BENSTITI HEAD COACH

Benstiti enters his first season with OL Reign in 2020. The French head coach is one of the most experienced and accomplished managers in women's professional soccer. Benstiti has delivered eight domestic league titles in three countries (France, Russia, and China), taken both Olympique Lyonnais and PSG to the UEFA Women's Champions League final, and has worked with some of the world's best female footballers during his 20 years as a coach.

Born in Lyon, France in 1967, Benstiti began his professional career as a midfielder with Olympique Lyonnais in 1984. Benstiti spent 16 years as a professional player at various French clubs before becoming the head coach of FC Lyon's women's side in 2001.

When FC Lyon was acquired by OL Groupe in 2004 and rebranded as Olympique Lyonnais Féminin, Benstiti was retained as manager and led the club to four consecutive Division 1 Féminine championships from 2006-2010, along with three Coupe de France trophies.

After leaving OL in 2010, Benstiti found success in Russia, leading WFC Rossiyanka to a Russian Women's Championship title in 2012 while simultaneously serving as the head coach of the Russian women's national team.

A return to France saw Benstiti take the helm of Paris Saint-Germain in 2012, whom he guided to four straight second-place finishes and an appearance in the finals of the UEFA Women's Champions League.

Now, after three league titles in the Chinese Women's Super League with Dalian Quanjian, Benstiti comes to the Puget Sound hoping to bring further success to OL Reign while respecting what has made the club special.



Sam Laity Assistant Head Coach

Sam Laity enters his eighth season working with OL Reign. A native of Plymouth, England, Laity has lived in the Puget Sound since 2001. In addition to his work with the first team, Laity previously served as a head coach with several teams with OL Reign Academy.

Laity holds a UEFA "B" License and worked with local youth clubs like Pacific Northwest Soccer Club, Dos FC, Westsound FC and Pacific Premier. He holds an NSCAA Master Coach Diploma and has worked as a regional NSCAA staff instructor.



Carrie Kveton
Assistant Coach

Kveton spent the past seven and a half years at Danish Elitedivisionen side Fortuna Hjørring, serving as an assistant coach from 2012-14, and a co-head coach from 2014-17, before helming the side from 2017-2019. During that span the club secured three league titles and two second-place finishes, as well as two Danish cups. Kveton holds a UEFA "Pro" license.



**Ljupco Kmetovski** Goalkeeper Coach

Kmetovski returns for a second season with OL Reign. The Macedonian keeper coach, who holds a UEFA "A" License and a UEFA "Pro" goalkeeper license, oversaw a keeper corps that kept seven clean sheets and maintained a 1.125 goals against average in 2019.



#### TECHNICAL STAFF CONT.



**Matt Dorman** Video Analyst



**Nick Leman, CSCS** Director of High Performance



Lisa Kenney, MA, LAT, ATC, CCISM Rehabilitation Director



Elizabeth Mannering, MS, ATC, LAT Athletic Trainer



**Alyssa Delsanter** Equipment Manager



**Brynn Sebring** Associate General Manager

#### **OL REIGN FRONT OFFICE STAFF**

Bill Predmore	Minority Owner & CEO
Vincent Berthillot	COO
Teresa Predmore	Minority Owner & President, OL Reign Academy
Elizabeth Davis	Director of Marketing and Communications
Andrew Harvey	Content Producer
Melissa Hemenway	Senior Accountant
Stephen Thurlby	Director of Ticket Sales
Trevor Schuler	Corporate Sales Manager
Dillon Alexander	Group Sales Manager
Lauren Louderback	Group Sales Manager



#### 1 MICHELLE BETOS GOALKEEPER

Pronunciation: BAY-tose Position: Goalkeeper

Height: 5'9"

Date of Birth: 02/20/1988

Age: 32

Hometown: Queens, NY Citizenship: USA Previous Club: Vålerenga

How Acquired: Signed January 30, 2018

2019 stats: 4 Games Played, 4 Games Started, 359 Minutes Played, 3 Goals Allowed, 0.75 Goals Against Average, 14 Saves, 1 Clean Sheet

Was named the NWSL Goalkeeper of the Year in 2015

Was named to the NWSL Best XI in 2015 Betos became first NWSL goalkeeper to score in 2015 in the 90+5th minute against FC Kansas City

Won 2015 NWSL Shield with Portland Thorns

Has played in the UEFA Women's Champions League with Fortuna Hjørring and Apollon Limassol  $\,$ 

Played with OL Reign during its inaugural 2013 season, making seven appearances





#### 2 AMBER BROOKS DEFENDER

Position: Defender Height: 5'6"

Date of Birth: 01/23/1991

Age: 29

Hometown: Evansville, IN

Citizenship: USA

Previous Club: Houston Dash

How Acquired: Acquired February 3, 2020 in a trade with the

**Houston Dash** 

2019 stats: 24 Games Played, 24 Games Started, 2,160 Minutes Played, 1 Goal, 0 Assists, 20 Shots, 8 Shots on Goal, 16 Fouls

Committed, 2 Yellow Cards

Won 2015 NWSL Shield with OL Reign

Only player in the league to play every minute of the last three seasons

Won 2014-15 Frauen-Bundesliga with Bayern Munich

Represented the United States at the 2008 U17 Women's World Cup  $\,$ 

Won 2010 Concacaf U20 Championship with the U.S.





### 3 LAUREN BARNES

Position: Defender Height: 5'5"

Date of Birth: 05/31/1989

Age: 31

Hometown: Upland, CA

Citizenship: USA

Previous Club: Philadelphia Independence (WPS)

How Acquired: Selected in the 2013 NWSL Supplemental Draft with

the 10th overall pick

2019 stats: 23 Games Played, 23 Games Started, 2,070 Minutes Played, O Goals, O Assists, O Shots, O Shots on Goal, 9 Fouls Committed, 5 Yellow Cards

An OL Reign original, Barnes has played for the club since its inaugural 2013 season  $\,$ 

Barnes holds OL Reign's club record for appearances and minutes played  $\,$ 

Barnes was the NWSL's 2016 Defender of the Year

Barnes was named to the NWSL Best XI twice -- in 2015 and 2016 Named to the NWSL Second XI in 2014 and 2019





### 4 ALANA COOK DEFENDER

Position: Defender Height: 5'9"

Date of Birth: 04/11/1997

Age: 23

Hometown: Worcester, MA

Citizenship: USA

Previous Club: on Ioan from Paris Saint-Germain How Acquired: Signed on Ioan from Paris Saint-Germain

June 16, 2020

2019 Division 1 Féminine stats: 5 Games Played, 3 Games Started, 376 Minutes Played, 0 Goals, 0 Assists, 0 Yellow Cards Played in the UEFA Women's Champions League with Paris Saint-Germain

Won the 2017 College Cup with Stanford

Was named 2018 Pac-12 Defender of the Year

Made U.S. Women's National Team debut in win against Costa Rica in November 2019





### REBECCA QUINN MIDFIELDER

Position: Midfielder Height: 5'9"

Date of Birth: 8/11/1995

Age: 24

Hometown: Toronto, ON, Canada

Citizenship: CAN
Previous Club: Paris FC

How Acquired: Signed July 15, 2019

2019 stats: 6 Games Played, 4 Games Started, 357 Minutes Played, 0 Goals, 0 Assists, 0 Shots, 0 Shots on Goal, 1 Foul Committed, 0 Yellow Cards

Won bronze medal with Canada at 2016 Olympic Games in Rio Highest-drafted Canadian in league history (by Washington Spirit with the third overall pick in 2018)

Made 50th appearance for Canada at 2019 Women's World Cup in France

Prior to her senior team debut, Quinn represented Canada at the U17, U20 and U23 levels

Made 17 appearances for Washington in 2018, including 16 starts

Made her OL Reign debut against Utah Royals FC on August 11, 2019





### 6 ALLIE LONG MIDFIELDER

Position: Midfielder Height: 5'8"

Date of Birth: 08/13/1987

Age: 32

Hometown: Huntington, NY

Citizenship: USA

Previous Club: Portland Thorns FC

How Acquired: Acquired January 11, 2018 in a trade with

Portland Thorns FC

2019 stats: 14 Games Played, 14 Games Started, 1,223 Minutes Played, O Goals, 2 Assists, 15 Shots, 4 Shots on Goal, 21 Fouls Committed, 3 Yellow Cards

Won 2019 World Cup with U.S. Women's National Team

Won NWSL Championship twice - in 2013 and 2017 with Portland Thorns  $\,$ 

Was named to the NWSL Best XI twice - in 2015 and 2016

Made her national team debut on May 8, 2014 against Canada

Scored a team-high 10 goals in 2015 while with the Portland Thorns

Won 2018 SheBelieves Cup with U.S. Women's National Team





### 3 JODIE TAYLOR FORWARD

Position: Forward Height: 5'6"

Date of Birth: 05/17/1986

Age: 34

Hometown: Liverpool, England

Citizenship: ENG

Previous Club: Arsenal Women FC

How Acquired: Signed November 21, 2017

2019 stats: 16 Games Played, 15 Games Started, 1,237 Minutes Played, 5 Goals, 3 Assists, 31 Shots, 14 Shots on Goal, 16 Fouls Committed, 2 Yellow Cards

Has represented England at two World Cups - in 2015 and 2019

Scored 5 goals to win the Golden Boot with England at the 2017 UEFA  $\,$  EURO  $\,$ 

Led OL Reign in scoring with 9 goals in 2018

Scored in her OL Reign debut in a 2-1 win over the Washington Spirit on March 25, 2018

Won the 2011-12 Women's FA Cup with Birmingham City after beating Chelsea on penalties in the final

Scored game-winning goal against Argentina in the group stage of the 2019 Women's World Cup with England





# 10 JESSICA FISHLOCK MIDFIELDER

Pronunciation: fish-lock
Position: Midfielder
Height: 5'2"
Date of Birth: 01/14/1987

Age: 33

Hometown: Cardiff, Wales

Citizenship: WAL

Previous Club: Melbourne Victory

How Acquired: Signed February 2013 ahead of inaugural season

2019 stats: 5 Games Played, 5 Games Started, 414 Minutes Played, 3 Goals, 1 Assist, 18 Shots, 10 Shots on Goal, 3 Fouls Committed, 0 Yellow Cards

First Wales player, male or female, to make 100 appearances for the senior national team  $\,$ 

Has been named to the NWSL Best XI four times - in 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2017

Has won the UEFA Champions League twice - with FFC Frankfurt in 2014-15 and Olympique Lyon in 2018-19

Won the W-League 4 times - in 2013-14 (Melbourne Victory), 2015-16, 2016-17, and 2017-18 (Melbourne City)

An OL Reign original, Fishlock has played for the club since its inaugural 2013 season  $\,$ 





## 11 DARIAN JENKINS

Pronunciation: dare-ee-in
Position: Forward
Height: 5'10"
Date of Birth: 01/05/1995

Age: 25

Hometown: Heber City, UT

Citizenship: USA

Previous Club: North Carolina Courage

How Acquired: Acquired December 17, 2018 in a trade with

North Carolina

2019 stats: 17 Games Played, 11 Games Started, 899 Minutes Played, 4 Goals, 1 Assist, 16 Shots, 7 Shots on Goal, 18 Fouls Committed, 1 Yellow Card

Won 2018 NWSL Championship with North Carolina

Won the NWSL Shield twice – in 2017 and 2018 with the North Carolina Courage  $\,$ 

Scored first NWSL goal on April 14, 2019 against Houston

Has represented the U.S. Women's National Team at the U17, U18 and U23 levels  $\,$ 

Drafted by North Carolina in 2017 with the 7th overall pick





# 12 MORGAN ANDREWS MIDFIELDER

Position: Midfielder Height: 5'9"

Date of Birth: 03/25/1995

Age: 25

Hometown: Milford, NH

Citizenship: USA

Previous Club: Boston Breakers

How Acquired: Selected in the 2018 NWSL Dispersal Draft with the

11th overall pick

2019 stats: 9 Games Played, 7 Games Started, 604 Minutes Played, 0 Goals, 0 Assists, 6 Shots, 2 Shots on Goal, 10 Fouls Committed, 0 Yellow Cards

Drafted in 2017 by the Boston Breakers with the 3rd overall pick

Made 18 appearances for the Boston Breakers as a rookie in 2017

Selected by OL Reign with the 11th overall pick in the 2018 NWSL Dispersal Draft

Made OL Reign debut in a 2-1 win over the Washington Spirit on March 25, 2018

Has represented the U.S. Women's National Team at the U14, U15, U17, U20 and U23 levels

Won the 2018 Nordic Tournament with the U.S. Women's National Team U23s  $\,$ 





# 13 CELIA JIMÉNEZ DELGADO

Pronunciation: See-lee-a Him-en-ez dell-god-oh

Position: Defender Height: 5'10" Date of Birth: 06/20/1995

Age:

Hometown: Alcaudete, Andalusia, Spain

Citizenship: **ESP** 

Previous Club: FC Rosengård

How Acquired: Signed December 12, 2018

2019 stats: 12 Games Played, 10 Games Started, 899 Minutes Played, 1 Goal, 0 Assists, 3 Shots, 1 Shot on Goal, 16 Fouls

Committed, 3 Yellow Cards

Has represented Spain at two World Cups - in 2015 and 2019

Scored first NWSL goal in win over Portland on July 5, 2019

Helped Spain win the UEFA U17 Championship in 2011

Made her OL Reign debut on April 15, 2019 in a 1-1 draw against the **Houston Dash** 

Made nine appearances for FC Rosengård in Damallsvenskan in 2018

Holds a degree in aerospace engineering from the University of Alabama





#### 14 STEPH COX

Position: Defender Height: 5'6"

Date of Birth: 04/03/1986

Age: 34

Hometown: Los Gatos, CA

Citizenship: USA

Previous Club: Seattle Sounders Women How Acquired: Signed May 31, 2019

2019 stats: 7 Games Played, 3 Games Started, 291 Minutes Played, 0 Goals, 0 Assists, 3 Shots, 1 Shot on Goal, 2 Fouls Committed, 0 Yellow Cards

Won the Gold Medal at 2008 Beijing Olympic Games with the U.S. Women's National Team

Recorded 89 caps for the U.S. Women's National Team in her international career

Was named to the NWSL Second XI in 2014

Signed with OL Reign on June 19, 2013 during the inaugural NWSL season  $\,$ 

Made her OL Reign debut in a 4-1 win against the Chicago Red Stars on July 26, 2019

Represented the U.S. Women's National Team at the 2011 Women's World Cup





### 17 DANI WEATHERHOLT MIDFIELDER

Position: Midfielder Height: 5'8"

Date of Birth: 03/17/1994

Age: 26

Hometown: Laguna Beach, CA

Citizenship: USA

Previous Club: Orlando Pride

How Acquired: Acquired January 22, 2020 in a trade with the

Orlando Pride

2019 stats: 19 Games Played, 16 Games Played, 1,341 Minutes Played, 0 Goals, 0 Assists, 3 Shots, 1 Shot on Goal, 21 Fouls Committed, 1 Yellow Card

Won 2018-19 W-League Premiership with Melbourne Victory FC

Made 73 appearances in four seasons with Orlando

Was named to the All-WCC First Team as a senior at Santa Clara University in 2015  $\,$ 

Has represented the United States at the U17, U18, U20 and U23 levels  $\,$ 





## 18 MARIAH LEE FORWARD

Pronunciation: muh-rye-uh
Position: Forward
Height: 5'4"
Date of Birth: 6/30/1996

Age: 23

Hometown: Covington, WA

Citizenship: USA

How Acquired: Signed June 21, 2020

No 2019 stats available

Won NCAA title with Stanford in 2017

Made 59 appearances in three season at Stanford, scoring five goals and adding six assists  $\,$ 

Played her fifth season at Wake Forest University





### 19 KRISTEN MCNABB

Position: Defender Height: 5'5"

Date of Birth: 04/17/1994

Age: 26

Hometown: Montville, NJ

Citizenship: USA

How Acquired: Selected with the 37th overall pick in the 2017

NWSL College Draft

2019 stats: 15 Games Played, 10 Games Started, 1,001 Minutes Played, 0 Goals, 1 Assist, 4 Shots, 1 Shot on Goal, 11 Fouls Committed, 5 Yellow Cards

Has represented the U.S. Women's National Team at the U18 and U23 levels  $\,$ 

Scored her first professional goal for OL Reign on April 22, 2017 against Houston  $\,$ 

Made her OL Reign debut in a 1-1 draw with Sky Blue FC on April 16, 2017

Spent the 2017-18 W-League season on loan to Australian side Melbourne Victory, making 11 starts

Drafted by OL Reign with the 37th overall pick in the 2017 NWSL Draft

Played over 1,000 minutes in each of her first three professional seasons with OL Reign





## 20 SOFIA HUERTA FORWARD

Position: Forward Height: 5'7"

Date of Birth: 12/14/1992

Age: 27
Hometown: Boise, ID
Citizenship: USA

Previous Club: Houston Dash

How Acquired: Acquired February 3, 2020 in a trade with the

**Houston Dash** 

2019 stats: 24 Games Played, 23 Games Started, 2,079 Minutes Played, 5 Goals, 4 Assists, 37 Shots, 14 Shots on Goal, 9 Fouls Committed, 1 Yellow Card

Led Houston offensively in 2015 with five goals and three assists

Won 2018-19 W-League Championship with Sydney FC

Made senior national team debut for Mexico in 2012, but filed a one-time switch to play for the United States in 2017  $\,$ 

Was named to the NWSL Second XI on three occasions – 2015, 2017 and 2018  $\,$ 





## 21 NICOLE MOMIKI

Pronunciation: mo-mee-key
Position: Forward
Height: 5'0"
Date of Birth: 4/9/1996

Age: 24

Hometown: New York, NY
Citizenship: JPN/USA
Previous Club: NTV Beleza

How Acquired: Signed on May 22, 2020

2019 stats (with NTV Beleza): 17 Games Played, 1,459 Minutes Played, 4 Goals, 7 Assists

Made her senior club debut with NTV Beleza in 2011

Won 2019 AFC Women's Club Championship with NTV Beleza

Made her Women's World Cup debut for Japan in 2019





## 22 JASMYNE SPENCER

Pronunciation: jazz-min spen-sir

Position: Forward Height: 5'1"

Date of Birth: 08/27/1990

Age: 29

Hometown: Bay Shore, NY

Citizenship: USA

Previous Club: Orlando Pride

How Acquired: Acquired January 29, 2018 in a trade with the

Orlando Pride

2019 stats: 1 Game Played, 1 Game Started, 26 Minutes Played, 0 Goals, 0 Assists, 0 Shots, 0 Shots on Goal, 0 Fouls Committed, 0 Yellow Cards

Joined NWSL with the Western New York Flash ahead of the 2014 season  $\,$ 

Her debut with Reign FC in 2018 marked her 100th NWSL game

Scored her first goal for Reign FC in a 2-0 win against the Washington Spirit on August 6, 2018

Has played in the UEFA Women's Champions League with Apollon Limassol and  $\operatorname{Br}{\operatorname{gndby}}$  IF





### 23 TAYLOR SMITH DEFENDER

Position: Defender Height: 5'3"

Date of Birth: 12/01/1993

Age: 26

Hometown: Fort Worth, TX

Citizenship: USA

Previous Club: Washington Spirit

How Acquired: Signed via Discovery March 22, 2019

2019 stats: O Games Played, O Games Started, O Minutes Played, O Goals, O Assists, O Shots, O Shots on Goal, O Fouls Committed, O Yellow Cards

Signed with the Western New York Flash ahead of the 2016 season after going undrafted

Made 20 appearances as a rookie with Western New York, including five starts  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1$ 

Won the NWSL Championship in 2016 with the Western New York Flash

Won the 2017 NWSL Shield with the North Carolina Courage

Made her U.S. Women's National Team debut on July 27, 2017 against Australia





#### 24 BETHANY BALCER

Pronunciation: ball-sir
Position: Forward
Height: 5'9"

Date of Birth: 03/07/1997

Age: 23

Hometown: Hudsonville, MI

Citizenship: USA

How Acquired: Signed April 12, 2019

2019 stats: 24 Games Played, 19 Games Started, 1,700 Minutes Played, 6 Goals, 2 Assists, 55 Shots, 23 Shots on Goal, 14 Fouls Committed, 1 Yellow Card

2019 NWSL Rookie of the Year

First player to sign an NWSL contract from an NAIA school

Earned a professional contract with OL Reign after being invited to the 2018 preseason as a trialist

Her first professional goal came in OL Reign's first match at Cheney Stadium

Won the 2019 Nordic Tournament with the U.S. Women's National Team U23s  $\,$ 

Made her OL Reign debut in a 1-1 draw against the Houston Dash on April 15, 2019

First player in NAIA history to be named National Player of the Year three times





## 25 KELCIE HEDGE MIDFIELDER

Pronunciation: kel-SEE
Position: Midfielder
Height: 5'7"

Date of Birth: 9/19/1997

Age: 22

Hometown: Post Falls, Idaho

Citizenship: USA

How Acquired: Selected with the 9th overall pick in the 2020 NWSL

College Draft

#### Rookie

Played freshman season at University of Washington, before redshirting her sophomore year to take part in the U20 Women's World Cup





# 26 CASEY MURPHY GOALKEEPER

Position: Goalkeeper

Height: 6'1"

Date of Birth: 04/25/1996

Age: 24

Hometown: Bridgewater Township, NJ

Citizenship: USA

Previous Club: Montpellier HSC How Acquired: Signed May 15, 2019

2019 stats: 19 Games Played, 19 Games Started, 1,710 Minutes Played, 21 Goals Allowed, 1.11 Goals Against Average, 73 Saves, 6 Clean Sheets

Was named to the 2018 Division 1 Féminine Goalkeeper of the Year while at Montpellier

Was named to the Division 1 Féminine Best XI in 2018

Represented the U.S. Women's National Team U23s at the 2019 Nordic Tournament

Kept her first NWSL clean sheet in a 1-0 win over the Chicago Red Stars on June 24, 2019

Made her OL Reign debut against the North Carolina Courage on May 28,2019

Made two starts for Montpellier in the 2017-18 UEFA Women's Champions League





# 27 CARLY NELSON GOALKEEPER

Position: Goalkeeper Height: 5'9" Date of Birth: 2/11/1998

Age: 22

Hometown: Lindon, UT Citizenship: USA

How Acquired: Signed on June 21, 2020

Rookie

Made 17 starts as a senior at Utah, maintaining a 1.27 goals against average





# 28 SHIRLEY CRUZ

Position: Midfielder

Height: 5'5"

Date of Birth: 08/28/1985

Age: 34

Hometown: San José, Costa Rica

Citizenship: CRC

Previous Club: LD Alajuelense

How Acquired: Signed March 17, 2020

No 2019 stats available

Second Costa Rican women's soccer player to ever play abroad professionally

Won six French domestic titles with Olympique Lyonnais from 2005-2012  $\,$ 

Won two UEFA Champions League titles with Lyon in 2011 and 2012 Captain for the Costa Rica women's national team





### 29 ADRIENNE JORDAN DEFENDER

Pronunciation: Ay-dree-in
Position: Defender
Height: 5'5"
Date of Birth: 1/30/1994

Age: 26

Hometown: Colorado Springs, CO

Citizenship: USA/GER
Previous Club: Birmingham City
How Acquired: Signed June 1, 2020

2019-20 stats (with Birmingham City): 13 Games Played, 13 Games Started, 1,170 Minutes Played, 0 Goals, 0 Assists

Professional experience in Sweden (Östersunds DFF), Iceland (IB Vestmannaeyja), Italy (Atalanta Mozzanica) and England

First player in Big Sky Conference history to be drafted to the NWSL (By Chicago Red Stars – 4th round, 35th overall in 2016)





# 30 MACHAELA GEORGE DEFENDER

Pronunciation: Muh-kay-luh
Position: Defender
Height: 5'7"
Date of Birth: 10/03/1997

Age: 22

Hometown: Laguna Hills, CA

Citizenship: USA

How Acquired: Signed June 21, 2020

#### Rookie

Scored four goals and added six assists as a senior at Santa Clara in 2019.





### 31 ROSIE WHITE

Position: Forward Height: 5'5"

Date of Birth: 06/06/1993

Age: 27

Hometown: Auckland, New Zealand

Citizenship: NZL

Previous Club: Chicago Red Stars How Acquired: Signed July 16, 2020

2019 stats: 9 Games Played, 8 Games Started, 655 Minutes Played, 2 Goals, 1 Assist, 19 Shots, 8 Shots on Goal, 14 Fouls Committed, 0 Yellow Cards

Has represented New Zealand at three World Cups – in 2011, 2015 and 2019  $\,$ 

Made her debut for the New Zealand senior national team at age 15  $\,$ 

Represented New Zealand at the 2012 Olympic Games in London

Scored her first goal for OL Reign in a 1-0 win over the Houston Dash on August 3, 2019





# 99 MADISON HAMMOND DEFENDER

Position: Defender Height: 5'8"

Date of Birth: 11/15/1987

Age: 22

Hometown: Albuquerque, NM

Citizenship: USA

How Acquired: Signed June 21, 2020

Rookie

2019 All-ACC second team

Served as a captain during her senior year at Wake Forest

Started all 18 games as a senior





# 2020 NWSL CHALLENGE CUP ROSTER - ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

NO.	PLAYER	POS	нт	DOB	HOMETOWN	COLLEGE
12	Andrews, Morgan	MID	5'9"	3/25/1995	Milford, NH	USC
24	Balcer, Bethany	FWD	5'9"	3/7/1997	Hudsonville, MI	Spring Arbor Uni.
3	Barnes, Lauren	DEF	5'5"	5/31/1989	Upland, CA	UCLA
1	Betos, Michelle	GK	5'9"	2/20/1988	Queens, NY	Georgia
2	Brooks, Amber	DEF	5'6"	1/23/1991	Evansville, IN	UNC
4	Cook, Alana*	DEF	5'9"	4/11/1997	Worcester, MA	Stanford
14	Cox, Steph	DEF	5'6"	4/3/1986	Los Gatos, CA	Portland
28	Cruz, Shirley	MID	5'5"	8/28/1985	San José, Costa Rica	
10	Fishlock, Jess	MID	5'2"	1/14/1987	Cardiff, Wales	
30	George, Machaela	DEF	5'7"	10/3/1997	Laguna Hills, CA	Santa Clara
99	Hammond, Madison	DEF	5'8"	11/15/1997	Albuquerque, NM	Wake Forest
25	Hedge, Kelcie	MID	5'7"	9/19/1997	Post Falls, ID	Santa Clara
20	Huerta, Sofia	FWD	5'7"	12/14/1992	Boise, ID	Santa Clara
11	Jenkins, Darian	FWD	5'10"	1/5/1995	Heber City, UT	UCLA
13	Jiménez Delgado, Celia	DEF	5'10"	6/20/1995	Alcaudete, Andalusia, Spain	Alabama
29	Jordan, Adrienne	DEF	5'5"	1/30/1994	Colorado Springs, CO	Northern Colorado
18	Lee, Mariah	FWD	5'4"	6/30/1996	Covington, WA	Stanford/Wake Forest
6	Long, Allie	MID	5'8"	8/13/1987	Huntington, NY	UNC
19	McNabb, Kristen	DEF	5'5"	4/17/1994	Montville, NJ	Virginia
21	Momiki, Nicole	FWD	5'0"	4/9/1996	New York, NY	
26	Murphy, Casey	GK	6'1"	4/25/1996	Bridgewater, NJ	Rutgers
27	Nelson, Carly	GK	5'9"	2/11/1998	Lindon, UT	Utah
5	Quinn, Rebecca	MID	5'10"	8/11/1995	Toronto, ON	Duke
23	Smith, Taylor	DEF	5'3"	12/1/1993	Fort Worth, TX	UCLA
22	Spencer, Jasmyne	FWD	5'1"	8/27/1990	Bay Shore, NY	Maryland
9	Taylor, Jodie	FWD	5'6"	5/17/1986	Liverpool, England	Oregon State
17	Weatherholt, Dani	MID	5'8"	3/17/1994	Laguna Beach, CA	Santa Clara
31	White, Rosie	MID	5'5"	6/6/1993	Auckland, New Zealand	UCLA

<sup>\*</sup>On Ioan from Paris Saint-Germain



# 2020 NWSL CHALLENGE CUP ROSTER - NUMERICAL ROSTER

NO.	PLAYER	POS	PRONUNCIATION	NATIONALITY	LAST CLUB
1	Michelle Betos	GK	BAY-tose	USA	Vålerenga
2	Amber Brooks	DEF		USA	Houston Dash
3	Lauren Barnes	DEF		USA	Philadelphia Independence
4	Alana Cook*	DEF		USA/ENG	Paris Saint-Germain*
5	Rebecca Quinn	MID		CAN	Paris FC
6	Allie Long	MID		USA	Portland Thorns FC
9	Jodie Taylor	FWD		ENG	Arsenal WFC
10	Jess Fishlock	MID	fish-lock	WAL	Melbourne Victory
11	Darian Jenkins	FWD	dare-ee-in	USA	North Carolina Courage
12	Morgan Andrews	MID		USA	Boston Breakers
13	Celia Jiménez Delgado	DEF	See-lee-uh HIM-en-ez	ESP	FC Rosengård
14	Steph Cox	DEF	del-god-oh	USA	Seattle Sounders Women (USL-W)
17	Dani Weatherholt	MID		USA	Orlando Pride
18	Mariah Lee	FWD		USA	Wake Forest Demon Deacons
19	Kristen McNabb	DEF	muh-rye-uh	USA	Virginia Cavaliers
20	Sofia Huerta	FWD		USA	Houston Dash
21	Nicole Momiki	FWD	WERE-tah	JPN	NTV Beleza
22	Jasmyne Spencer	FWD	moh-mee-kee	USA	Orlando Pride
23	Taylor Smith	DEF	jazz-min spen-sir	USA	Washington Spirit
24	Bethany Balcer	FWD		USA	Spring Arbor Uni. Cougars
25	Kelcie Hedge	MID	ball-sir	USA	Santa Clara Uni. Broncos
26	Casey Murphy	GK	kel-SEE	USA	Montpellier HSC
27	Carly Nelson	GK		USA	Utah Utes
28	Shirley Cruz	MID		CRC	Alajuelense
29	Adrienne Jordan	DEF	"cruise"	USA/GER	Birmingham City
30	Machaela George	DEF	ay-dree-in	USA	Santa Clara Uni. Broncos
31	Rosie White	MID	muh-kay-la	NZL	Chicago Red Stars
99	Madison Hammond	DEF		USA	Wake Forest Demon Deacons

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### STREAMING AND BROADCAST INFORMATION

Ahead of the 2020 season, the NWSL announced that it had reached a multi-year deal with CBS and Twitch that will see the league's matches air on CBS, CBS Sports Network, CBS All Access and Twitch.

The entire NWSL Challenge Cup will be available to stream on CBS All Access for viewers inside the United States. The tournament's opening match and the final will also air live on CBS.

Viewers outside the United States and Canada will be able to stream the entire tournament on Twitch. One of the foremost live streaming platforms in the world, Twitch is available on Apple and Android devices, as well as Xbox, Playstation, Fire TV, Roku, Google Chromecast and NVIDIA Shield.



#### NWSL CHALLENGE CUP MEDIA POLICY

Included below are the media operations guidelines for the Challenge Cup presented by P6G and Secret. While recognizing the critically important role that the media plays for sport and society, all guidelines have been developed with health and safety as the number one priority.

The media operations guidelines are in addition to venue operations protocols, which include but are not limited to required face coverings, social distancing requirements, assigned arrival/departure times, media-specific entrances/exits and assigned seating/photo positions.

In addition to the availabilities described below, players coaches and technical staff may be available remotely and requests should be made with each club's communications staff.

#### **CREDENTIALING**

- The credential request process for the Challenge Cup presented by P&G and Secret will open June 18, 2020.
- Up to 13 media credentials (10 press and 3 photographers) will be available for each match.
- During the credential request process, members of the media will be asked to prioritize matches in the event that any match is over-subscribed.
- An approved credential does not guarantee access to a specific match. Utilizing the prioritized requests, an approved list for each match will be distributed 24 to 48 hours prior to the start of each match.
- In order to access the venue on match day, media will need their credential and their name must be on the access list.
- Credentials will be distributed in advance of the tournament via mail whenever possible.
- For on-site distribution, there will be a media will-call attendant at the venue on each match day.
- Media will access the venue during scheduled hours and specific access points.
- The limited number of media in the venue for each match is below:

#### 10 press

- Priority consideration for press credentials will be:
- Wire services (i.e. AP, Reuters, etc.)
- National domestic news organizations
- News organizations that routinely cover the NWSL, its clubs and athletes
- Local news organizations for participating teams
- Major international news organizations

#### 3 photographers

- Priority for photo credentials will be:
- ISI, the NWSL photography partner
- Wire services (i.e. AP, Reuters, etc.)
- National news organizations
- News organizations that routinely cover the NWSL, its clubs and athletes
- Local news organizations for participating teams
- Bib distribution will take place at media will-call. One-time use bibs are being explored so that media do not need to return them after the match.



#### NWSL CHALLENGE CUP MEDIA POLICY CONT.

#### **MEDIA SEATING AND WORK AREAS**

- Distribution of match notes, rosters, lineups and stats will only be done electronically.
- Assigned seating will be in place and there will not be traditional media or photo work rooms.
- Concessions will be unavailable, but limited snacks will be provided.
- Wi-fi and power will be available.

#### PRE AND POST-GAME PRESS CONFERENCES

- Both head coaches will be available for remote video press conferences the day before each match, pending media requests, and after each match.
- A limited number of players will be available to media via remote video press conference at the conclusion of each match.

#### **ON-FIELD MEDIA**

- On-field media will be limited to accredited and approved photographers and essential rights-holding broadcaster and club personnel.
- Photographers must remain in their photo positions during the match and may switch positions at half-time.
- There will be a broadcast position (CBS/NWSL) for post-game interviews utilizing an extended boom mic and a speaker to ensure the players and coaches can hear the questions from distance.
- Each team will provide two players and a coach for the post-match interviews and those interviews will be distributed by the NWSL.

#### **MIXED ZONE**

- A traditional mixed-zone availability will not take place.
- As noted above, a limited number of players will be available to media throughout the tournament via remote video press conference format.



## CHALLENGE CUP TRAINING SESSION INFORMATION

Accredited media will be able to observe the final 30 minutes of training from a designated media area near the training pitch. A limit on the number of media able to attend will be instituted if necessary.

Following training, a player and a coach or member of the technical staff for each team will be available near the designated media areas utilizing an extended boom mic and a speaker to ensure the players and coaches can hear the questions from distance. Questions will be routed through a moderator (club/leagues press officers) to avoid passing microphones.



## NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE INFORMATION

The National Women's Soccer League competition rules can be found at: http://www.nwslsoccer.com/rules-regulations

The full 2020 National Women's Soccer League Challenge Cup schedule can be found at:

http://www.nwslsoccer.com/schedule

The National Women's Soccer League media contacts for 2020 can be found at: http://www.nwslsoccer.com/media-contacts