

# THE MIAMI FC



MIAMI FC  
0-2-4

VS.



RAILHAWKS  
4-0-2

## 0-2-4 OVERALL RECORD SPRING SEASON

### APRIL

Sat. ...2 ..... at Fort Lauderdale... D, 1-1  
**Sat. .. 9..... TAMPA BAY..... D, 1-1**  
 Fri. ...15..... at Jacksonville..... L, 1-2  
**Fri..... 22 ..... OKLAHOMA..... L, 2-3**  
 Sat. ...30 ..... at Ottawa .....L, 0-2

### MAY

**Sat. .. 7..... NEW YORK ..... L, 0-3**  
 Sat. ...14 ..... at Carolina .....7:30 p.m.  
**Sat. .. 28 ..... EDMONTON ..... 8 p.m.**

### JUNE

**Sat. .. 4 ..... INDY ..... 8 p.m.**  
 Sat. ...11 ..... at Minnesota ..... 8 p.m.

## FALL SEASON

### JULY

Sat. ...2 ..... at Fort Lauderdale .. 7 p.m.  
**Sat. .. 9..... NEW YORK ..... 8 p.m.**  
**Sat. .. 16 ..... JACKSONVILLE ..... 8 p.m.**  
 Fri.....22..... at Carolina.....7:30 p.m.  
**Sat. .. 30 .... INDY ..... 8 p.m.**

### AUGUST

Sat. ...6 ..... at Minnesota ..... 8 p.m.  
**Sat. .. 13 ..... FORT LAUDERDALE ..... 8 p.m.**  
 Sat. ...20 ..... at Oklahoma ..... 9 p.m.  
 Sat. ...24 ..... at Ottawa ..... 7 p.m.  
**Sat. .. 27 ..... MINNESOTA ..... 8 p.m.**

### SEPTEMBER

Sat. ...3 ..... at Puerto Rico ..... 7:30 p.m.  
 Sun....11 ..... at Edmonton ..... 4 p.m.  
**Wed. 14 ..... CAROLINA ..... 8 p.m.**  
 Sat. ...17 ..... at Indy ..... 7:30 p.m.  
**Fri..... 23 ..... PUERTO RICO ..... 8 p.m.**  
**Wed. 28 .... OTTAWA ..... 8 p.m.**

### OCTOBER

Sat. ...1 ..... at Tampa Bay ..... 7:30 p.m.  
**Sat. .. 8..... OKLAHOMA ..... 8 p.m.**  
 Wed..12..... at Jacksonville ..... 6:30 p.m.  
**Sat. .. 15 ..... TAMPA BAY ..... 8 p.m.**  
 Sat. ...22 ..... at New York ..... 7 p.m.  
**Sat. .. 29 .... EDMONTON ..... 8 p.m.**

### GAME INFORMATION

Date..... May 14, 2016  
 Kick-Off ..... 7:30 p.m.  
 Venue..... WakeMed Soccer Park

### BROADCAST INFORMATION

TV ..... One World Sports | GOL TV

## PROJECTED STARTERS



### ON TO THE NEXT ONE

The Miami FC hosted the Cosmos last week. The squad created plenty of chances, but blocked shots would see the Miami FC fall to New York 3-0.

A great connection between Calvin Rezende and Blake Smith led to multiple scoring opportunities early on. Daniel Vega also came up with multiple saves to keep New York at bay.

The second half saw Jaime Chavez come off the bench and make an instant impact with strong runs and accurate passing. Vega also continued to make big saves throughout the second half.

When it was all said and done the Miami FC would fall to the Cosmos 3-0.

### THE HARDER THEY FALL

The RailHawks opened the season with four consecutive wins but have dropped the last two in stunning fashion.

Carolina's most recent defeat was at the hands of the Ft. Lauderdale Strikers. The Strikers traveled to WakMed Soccer Park and came away with a convincing 3-1 victory.

Ft. Lauderdale exploded for three goals in the first half to take a commanding 3-0 lead. The RailHawks' Brian Shriver would score one for the home side but Carolina could not mount a late-match comeback.

Even though Carolina controlled 69% of the possession, they were outshot 16 to seven on the night.

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# MATCH NOTES

## **THE ROAD IS WHERE THE WINS ARE**

It is supposed to be difficult to play on the road but things have been different in the NASL this season.

Last week every road team came away with three points, shaking up the Spring Season table.

To date, NASL teams have gone 9-12-8 on the road, coming away with points nearly 60% of the time.

The Carolina RaiHawks are coming off two losses, including a 3-1 thrashing by the Strikers at home. The Miami FC will look to the league-wide trend of success on the road this Saturday.

## **THE GOOD, THE BAD**

The RailHawks sport one of the most prolific attacks in the NASL this season, scoring a league-high 10 goals so far. However, the defense has not been as strong, allowing eight goals in six matches.

No one in the top five of the Spring Season standings has allowed more than four goals, with the Cosmos holding a commanding +5 goal differential over Carolina for first place.

The RailHawks have allowed at least one goal in every match this season, with two teams netting multiple goals against the Carolina defense.

## **MIAMI FC PLAYERS TO WATCH**

**Calvin Rezende:** Rezende now has three professional starts under his belt and has made sure to take advantage of every minute on the pitch.

From the midfield, he is completing over 70% of his passes, has sent in eight crosses and created a scoring chance.

Rezende has been relentless on defense, battling in 55 duels and winning six tackles.

His non-stop work rate will be welcomed come Saturday against the RailHawks.

**Daniel Vega:** Vega has had a hard time getting his due this season. He has faced a staggering 32 shots this season and made a NASL-best 20 saves.

He has also been strong when commanding his box. Vega has picked up seven clearances, six punch outs and caught three balls.

Vega's calming presences in goal will continue to allow the back line to grow.

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## SUPERLATIVES

### **Dario Cvitanich**

NASL Team of the Week (Apr. 2)

### **Daniel Vega**

NASL Team of the Week (Apr. 9)

## ON TWITTER

DAVID SIERRA @DSIERRAM83

JONATHAN BORRAJO @JOHNNYBORRAJO

BRAD RUSIN @BRADFOARDRUSIN

ADAILTON @ADAILTON\_FILHO

MASON TRAFFORD @MASON\_TRAFFORD

ARIEL MARTINEZ @ARIELMG580

ROBERTO ALTERIO @ROBERTOALTERIO

AARON DENNIS @AARON11DENNIS

DARIO CVITANICH @DARICVTAOK

JORGE LUIS CORRALES @MEGUSTAELFUT13

ROBERT BAGGIO KCIRA @BAGGIO\_KC

RHETT BERNSTEIN @RHETTBERNSTEIN

BLAKE SMITH @BESMITH\_23

JOE FRANCO @JO3FRANCO

PABLO CAMPOS @9APITO



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# MIAMI FC TECHNICAL STAFF



**ALESSANDRO NESTA**  
HEAD COACH

Widely considered to be one of the greatest defenders ever, Nesta made over 400 Serie A appearances in a 20-year career spread between Lazio and Milan, winning domestic and European honours with both clubs.

Nesta was a member of the Italian national side for a decade from his debut in 1996, earning 78 caps in total. He competed at the 1996 Olympic Football Tournament, three European Championships and three FIFA World Cups, including the team that won the 2006 World Cup.

Nesta was introduced as the first head coach of the Miami FC in September 2015.



**Mauro Pederzoli**  
Technical Director



**Lorenzo Rubinacci**  
Assistant Coach



**Paolo Pacione**  
Head of Performance and Fitness



**Vincenzo Benvenuto**  
Goalkeeper Coach



**Federico Bertele'**  
Technical Assistant



**Brad Smith**  
Equipment Manager



**Joe Carocci**  
Head Athletic Trainer



**Emmanuel Garcon**  
Assistant Athletic Trainer

# MIAMI FC SPOT CHART



**#1**  
David Sierra  
Goalkeeper  
6-1 | 170



**#2**  
Jonathan Borrajo  
Defender  
5-8 | 165



**#3**  
Brad Rusin  
Defender  
6-5 | 210



**#4**  
Adailton  
Defender  
6-3 | 187



**#5**  
Mason Trafford  
Defender  
6-2 | 181



**#6**  
Ariel Martinez  
Forward  
5-11 | 170



**#7**  
Roberto Alterio  
Midfielder  
5-11 | 175



**#8**  
Wilson Palacios  
Midfielder  
6-0 | 180



**#9**  
Jaime Chavez  
Forward  
6-1 | 180



**#10**  
Matuzalem  
Midfielder  
5-7 | 163



**#11**  
Aaron Dennis  
Forward  
6-2 | 180



**#12**  
Dario Cvitanich  
Forward  
5-9 | 170



**#13**  
Jorge Luis Corrales  
Defender  
5-9 | 168



# MIAMI FC SPOT CHART



**#14**  
Robert Baggio  
Midfielder  
6-0 | 165



**#15**  
Sergio Van Kantén  
Midfielder  
6-0 | 184



**#16**  
Hugo Leroux  
Defender  
6-0 | 185



**#17**  
Mario Daniel Vega  
Goalkeeper  
6-2 | 200



**#18**  
Rhett Bernstein  
Defender  
6-1 | 200



**#19**  
Dane Richards  
Midfielder  
5-7 | 153



**#21**  
Calvin Rezende  
Midfielder  
5-7 | 155



**#22**  
Conner Rezende  
Midfielder  
5-7 | 145



**#23**  
Blake Smith  
Midfielder  
5-9 | 150



**#24**  
Joe Franco  
Defender  
5-9 | 150



**#27**  
Bryan Arguez  
Midfielder  
6-3 | 188



**#33**  
Lionel Brown  
Goalkeeper  
6-0 | 184



**#83**  
Pablo Campos  
Forward  
6-3 | 204



## 2016 THE MIAMI FC ROSTER

No.	NAME	Pos	Ht	Wt	Age	HOMETOWN / PREVIOUS TEAM
1	David Sierra	GK	6-1	170	32	Madrid, Spain / Jacksonville Armada
2	Jonathan Borrajo	D	5-8	165	28	Clifton, N.J. / Fort Lauderdale Strikers
3	Brad Rusin	D	6-5	210	29	Tampa, Fla. / San Antonio Scorpions
4	Adailton	D	6-3	187	32	Salvador, Brazil. / Chicago Fire
5	Mason Trafford	D	6-2	181	29	Vancouver, Canada / Ottawa Fury
6	Ariel Martinez	F	5-11	170	29	Sancti Spiritus, Cuba / Charleston Battery
7	Roberto Alterio	M	5-11	175	25	Caracas, Venezuela / Estudiantes de Merida
8	Wilson Palacios	M	6-0	180	31	La Ceiba, Honduras / Stoke City
9	Jaime Chavez	F	6-1	180	28	Los Angeles, Calif. / Atlanta Silverbacks
10	Matuzalem	M	5-7	163	35	Natal, Brazil / Hellas Verona
11	Aaron Dennis	F	6-2	180	23	Elmont, N.Y. / Arizona United
12	Dario Cvitanich	F	5-9	170	31	Buenos Aires, Argentina / Pachuca
13	Jorge Luis Corrales	D	5-9	168	24	Pinar Del Rio, Cuba / FC Sancti Spiritus
14	Roberto Baggio Kcira	M	6-0	165	22	New York, N.Y. / SC Wiener Neustadt
15	Sergio Van Kantén	M	6-0	184	31	Miami, Fla. / Miami Dade FC
16	Hugo Leroux	D	6-0	185	24	Montpellier, France / FC Miami City
17	Mario Daniel Vega	GK	6-2	200	31	Cutral Co, Argentina / Anorthosis Famagusta
18	Rhett Bernstein	D	6-1	200	28	San Diego, Calif. / Mjondalen IF
19	Dane Richards	M	5-7	153	32	Montego Bay, Jamaica / New York Red Bulls
21	Calvin Rezende	M	5-7	155	23	Davie, Fla. / Michigan Bucks
22	Conner Rezende	M	5-7	145	23	Davie, Fla. / Michigan Bucks
23	Blake Smith	M	5-9	150	25	Boerne, Texas / Yverdon - Sport
24	Joe Fanco	D	5-9	150	26	Pasadena, Calif. / LA Galaxy II
27	Bryan Arguez	M	6-3	188	27	Miami, Fla. / FC Miami City
33	Lionel Brown	GK	6-0	184	28	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. / Fort Lauderdale Strikers
83	Pablo Campos	F	6-3	204	33	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil / Minnesota United

### COACHING STAFF

HEAD COACH: Alessandro Nesta  
 ASSISTANT COACH: Lorenzo Rubinacci  
 GOALKEEPER COACH: Vincenzo Benvenuto

### SUPPORT STAFF

TECHNICAL DIRECTOR: Mauro Pederzoli  
 TECHNICAL ASSISTANT: Federico Bertele  
 HEAD OF PERFORMANCE AND FITNESS: Paolo Pacione  
 EQUIPMENT MANAGER: Brad Smith  
 HEAD ATHLETIC TRAINER: Joe Caroccio  
 ASSISTANT ATHLETIC TRAINER: Emmanuel Garcon

### Pronunciation Guide

David Sierra: See-Air-uh  
 Jonathan Borrajo: Boh-RAH-ho  
 Brad Rusin: Russ-in  
 Adailton: Ah-dah-EEL-ton  
 Mason Trafford: TRAH-ferd  
 Ariel Martinez: Ah-ree-el | Mar-TEE-ness  
 Wilson Palacios: Pa-la-SEE-ohs  
 Jaime Chavez: HY-meh  
 Matuzalem: Mah-Too-sah-lem

Dario Cvitanich: Dah-ree-O | S-VEE-ta-nich  
 Jorge Luis Corrales: Hor-hay | Loo-EES | Coh-Rah-less  
 Robert Baggio Kcira: Bah-gee-O | K-se-RUH  
 Sergio Van Kantén: VON-can-tin  
 Mario Daniel Vega: Vay-guh  
 Rhett Bernstein: BURN-steen  
 Calvin Rezende: Reh-zen-day  
 Conner Rezende: Reh-zen-day  
 Lionel Brown: LIE-o-nel  
 Bryan Arguez: Are-goo-wez



## 2016 CAROLINA RAILHAWKS ROSTER

No.	NAME	POS	HT	WT	AGE	HOMETOWN / PREVIOUS TEAM
1	Mack Robinson	GK	6-0	185		
2	Paul Black	D	6-0	179	26	Middleton, England / Atlanta Silverbacks
3	Kupono Low	D	5-11	165	37	Honolulu, Hawaii / Virginia Beach Mariners
4	Drew Beckie	D	6-1	174	25	Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada / Ottawa Fury
5	Alex Perez	M	6-2	176	24	Madrid, Spain / Getafe
6	Austin da Luz	M	5-10	155	28	San Diego, Calif. / Orlando City
7	Marvin Ceballos	M	5-5	140	24	Guatemala / Indy Eleven
8	Matt Watson	M	6-0	180	31	Redditch, England / Chicago Fire
9	Aly Alberto Hassan	F	6-2	185	26	Weston, Fla. / Ottawa Fury
10	Nazmi Albadawi	M	5-11	165	24	Raleigh, N.C. / North Carolina State
11	Tiyi Shipalane	M	5-10	165	30	Tzaneen, South Africa / Harrisburg City Islanders
12	Kareem Moses	D	6-2	185	26	Trinidad and Tobago / FC Edmonton
13	Connor Tobin	D	6-1	180	29	Fort Collins, Colo. / Minnesota United FC
17	Billy Schuler	F	5-11	170	26	Hamilton, N.J. / Whitecaps FC 2
20	Jonathon Orlando	M	5-8	165	28	
21	Brian Shriver	F	5-10	150	28	Clearwater, Fla. / Tampa Bay Rowdies
23	Nick Taitague	M	5-8	138	17	
24	Jeremy Kelly	M	5-9	150	18	
27	Simon Mensing	D	6-2	185	33	Wolfenbuttel, Germany / Atlanta Silverbacks
31	Steven Miller	D	5-11	161	26	Elkins Park, Penn. / Tulsa Roughnecks
42	James Marcelin	M	6-2	175	29	Saint-Marc, Haiti / Fort Lauderdale Strikers
50	Akira Fitzgerald	M	6-0	174	28	Chiba, Japan / Cary Clarets
92	Brian Sylvestre	GK	6-4	215	23	Hollywood, Fla. / Harrisburg City Islanders

### COACHING STAFF

HEAD COACH: Colin Clarke

ASSISTANT COACH: Dewan Bader

ASSISTANT COACH: Greg Shields

ASSISTANT COACH: Nic Platter

### Pronunciation Guide

Kuponi Low: Kuh-po-no

Austin da Luz: Da-looz

Marvin Ceballos: Seh-bye-yoze

Aly Hassan: Al-ee | Ha-sann

Nazmi Albadawi: Nahz-me | Al-ba-da-we

Tiyi Shipalane: Tee | Ship-ah-lahn-ee

Nick Taitague: Tah-tuh-gwee

James Marcelin: Mar-suh-leen

Brian Sylvestre: Sil-ves-tree



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## Spring Season Standings

Pos.	Team	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1.	New York Cosmos	6	4	0	2	10	3	7	12
2.	Carolina RailHawks	6	4	0	2	10	8	2	12
3.	Minnesota United FC	5	3	1	1	9	4	5	10
4.	Indy Eleven	5	2	3	0	6	4	2	9
5.	FC Edmonton	6	2	2	2	4	4	0	8
T-6.	Tampa Bay Rowdies	5	2	2	1	4	4	0	8
T-6.	Rayo OKC	5	2	1	2	7	7	0	7
T-6.	Ft. Lauderdale Strikers	5	1	2	2	5	7	-2	5
9.	Ottawa Fury FC	6	1	2	3	5	9	-4	5
10.	Jacksonville Armada FC	5	1	1	3	3	6	-3	4
<b>11.</b>	<b>THE MIAMI FC</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>-7</b>	<b>2</b>

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## Combined Standings



Pos.	Team	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1.	New York Cosmos	6	4	0	2	10	3	7	12
2.	Carolina RailHawks	6	4	0	2	10	8	2	12
3.	Minnesota United FC	5	3	1	1	9	4	5	10
4.	Indy Eleven	5	2	3	0	6	4	2	9
5.	FC Edmonton	6	2	2	2	4	4	0	8
T-6.	Tampa Bay Rowdies	5	2	2	1	4	4	0	8
T-6.	Rayo OKC	5	2	1	2	7	7	0	7
T-6.	Ft. Lauderdale Strikers	5	1	2	2	5	7	-2	5
9.	Ottawa Fury FC	6	1	2	3	5	9	-4	5
10.	Jacksonville Armada FC	5	1	1	3	3	6	-3	4
<b>11.</b>	<b>THE MIAMI FC</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>-7</b>	<b>2</b>





# Match - By - Match Recap

April 2, 2016



 vs   
**1**                      **1**

**Summary**

**Scoring**  
 12' - Cvitanich (MIA)  
 90+3' - Maicon (FTL)

**Bookings**  
 21' - Corrales (MIA) | Y  
 23' - James (FTL) | Y  
 42' - Felipe (FTL) | Y  
 45+1' - Corrales (MIA) | R  
 50' - Bernstein (MIA) | Y  
 64' - Smith (MIA) | Y  
 90' - Chavez (MIA) | Y

April 9, 2016



 vs   
**1**                      **1**

**Summary**

**Scoring**  
 17' - Cvitanich (MIA)  
 85' - Hristov (TBR)

**Bookings**  
 20' - Sweat (TBR) | Y  
 42' - King (TBR) | Y  
 72' - Cvitanich (MIA) | Y  
 75' - Palacios (MIA) | Y  
 86' - Hristov (TBR) | Y

April 15, 2016



 vs   
**1**                      **2**

**Summary**

**Scoring**  
 20' - Sandoval (JAX)  
 26' - Cvitanich (MIA)  
 36' - Millien (JAX)

**Bookings**  
 25' - Ruthven (JAX) | Y  
 39' - Cvitanich (MIA) | Y  
 57' - George (JAX) | Y  
 73' - Eloundou (JAX) | Y  
 90+3' - Vega (MIA) | Y

April 22, 2016



 vs   
**3**                      **2**

**Summary**

**Scoring**  
 15' - Findley (OKC)  
 25' - Forbes (OKC)  
 36' - Martinez (MIA)  
 75' - Rusin (MIA)  
 86' - Michel (OKC)

**Bookings**  
 33' - Trafford (MIA) | Y  
 62' - Rezende (MIA) | Y  
 81' - Boateng (OKC) | Y  
 81' - Michel (OKC) | Y

April 30, 2016



 vs   
**0**                      **2**

**Summary**

**Scoring**  
 25' - Timbo (OTT)  
 90+4' - Chin (OTT)

**Bookings**  
 24' - Van Kantén (MIA) | Y  
 57' - Rozeboom (OTT) | Y  
 65' - Vered (OTT) | Y  
 73' - Richards (MIA) | Y

May 7, 2016

 vs   
**3**                      **0**

**Summary**

**Scoring**  
 18' - Arango (NYC)  
 34' - Farfan (NYC)  
 50' - Arrieta (NYC)

**Bookings**  
 19' - Borrajo (MIA) | Y  
 45 + 1 - Ayoze (NYC) | Y  
 62' - Arrieta (NYC) | Y  
 67' - Cvitanich (MIA) | Y  
 67' - Farfan (NYC) | Y  
 76' - Rezende (MIA) | Y

