

DETROIT CITY FC

VS



FLINT CITY BUCKS

Wednesday April 1, 2026 - 7:30PM

Streaming: CBS Sports Net GOLAZO

Don Batchelor Stadium, Grand Blanc MI

MATCHUP



1-0-1	Record	2-0-0
5th	Standing	4th
2-0-1	Last Five	3-0-0
Danny Dichio	Head Coach	Paul Doroh
@detroitcityfootballclub	Instagram	@flintcitybucks
Head Referee	Atahan Yaya	
Assistant Referee	Jake Brochu	
Assistant Referee	Marcus Barnett	
Fourth Official	Meghan Brasseur	
Injuries	Michael Bryant - Ankle, Out Ben Morris - Knee, Out Maxi Rodriguez - Leg, Out	

QUICK FACTS

- Detroit City comes into the Open Cup on 6 points from 3 USL Championship matches, with home wins over Brooklyn (3-0) and Charleston (1-0) around a narrow 2-1 road loss at Indy Eleven.
- Darren Smith has 4 of DCFC's 5 league goals, including a brace vs Brooklyn, the equalizer at Indy, and the 75th-minute winner against Charleston off an Ates Diouf assist.
- The Charleston victory showcased Detroit's ability to break down a compact opponent late, with Smith's strike from inside the box capping a 13-4 shots edge and 4-1 advantage in efforts on target.
- Across the three league matches, DCFC has outshot opponents 46-28 and holds a cumulative expected-goals edge (1.27 vs Brooklyn, 1.34 at Indy, 0.75 vs Charleston) that reflects consistent chance creation.

SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE
3/14	VS Brooklyn FC	3-0
3/17	VS Michigan Rangers FC (US Open Cup)	5-1
3/21	AT Indy Eleven	1-2
3/28	VS Charleston Battery	1-0
4/1	AT Flint City Bucks (US Open Cup)	
4/4	AT Rhode Island FC	
4/11	VS Sporting Club Jacksonville	
4/14or15	- US Open Cup	
4/18	AT Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC	
4/28or29	- US Open Cup	
5/2	VS Louisville City FC	
5/9	AT Hartford Athletic	
5/16	AT Forward Madison FC	
5/19or20	- US Open Cup	
5/20	VS Miami FC	
5/23	AT Loudoun United FC	
5/30	AT Charleston Battery	
6/6	VS Lexington SC	
6/10	VS El Paso Locomotive FC	
6/13	AT Sporting Club Jacksonville	
6/20	VS Louisville City FC	
7/2	AT Birmingham Legion FC	
7/11	AT Fort Wayne FC	
7/18	VS Indy Eleven	
7/25	VS Las Vegas Lights FC	
8/1	AT Miami FC	
8/8	AT FC Tulsa	
8/15	VS Loudoun United FC	
8/22	VS Tampa Bay Rowdies	
8/29	AT Louisville City FC	
9/5	VS Hartford Athletic	
9/12	AT Sacramento Republic FC	
9/15or16	- US Open Cup	
9/19	VS Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC	
9/26	VS CS Switchbacks FC	
9/30	AT Brooklyn FC	
10/3	VS Birmingham Legion FC	
10/10	VS Rhode Island FC	
10/17	AT Tampa Bay Rowdies	
10/21	- US Open Cup	
10/24	AT Louisville City FC	

COMPARISON

DETROIT CITY FC		FLINT CITY BUCKS
2	Matches	N/A
4	Goals	N/A
37	Shots	N/A
11	On Target	N/A
13%	Conversion Rate	N/A
774	Passing	N/A
25	Fouls	N/A
1	Yellow Cards	N/A
0	Red Cards	N/A
1	Clean Sheets	N/A

STANDINGS

TEAM	MP	W	D	L	PT
1 Louisville City FC	3	3	0	0	9
2 Hartford Athletic	4	2	2	0	8
3 Tampa Bay Rowdies	2	2	0	0	6
4 Charleston Battery	3	2	0	1	6
5 Detroit City FC	3	2	0	1	6
6 Indy Eleven	2	1	1	1	3
7 Brooklyn FC	4	1	0	3	3
8 Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC	4	2	0	2	6
9 Loudon United FC	2	0	1	1	1
10 Rhode Island FC	2	0	1	2	1
11 Miami FC	4	2	1	1	7
12 Sporting Club Jacksonville	3	0	1	3	1
13 Birmingham Legion FC	3	0	1	2	1

TEAM LEADERS

DETROIT CITY FC		FLINT CITY BUCKS	
Smith	3	Goals	N/A
Amoo-Mensah/Rguez/KHF	1	Asst.	N/A
Smith	7	Shots	N/A
Smith	4	SOT	N/A
KHF, Cedeno	6	CC	N/A
KHF	108	Passes	N/A
Dalou	1	Yellow	N/A
	0	Red	N/A
Herrera	1	CS	N/A

CONTACT

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DETROIT CITY FC

STATS INCLUDE: USL CHAMPIONSHIP, LAMAR HUNT US OPEN CUP



G

CARLOS

Pronunciation: Ere-era

1

HERRERA

DOB: 9/12/1997

Hometown: Mexico City, Mexico

Former Club: Monterey Bay FC

Joined DCFC: 2025

2026 STATS

MP: 3

MS: 3

MIN: 270

S: 8

CS: 2

Y: 0

R: 0



D

RHYS

Pronunciation: Reese

2

WILLIAMS

DOB: 8/9/1995

Hometown: White Plains, New York

Former Club: Stumptown AC

Joined DCFC: 2021

2026 STATS

MP: 1

MS: 1

MIN: 90

G: 0

A: 0

Y: 0

R: 0



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AEDAN

Pronunciation: (rhymes w Say) Ay - Dan

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STANLEY

DOB: 12/13/1999

Hometown: Columbia, Illinois

Former Club: Indy Eleven

Joined DCFC: 2026

2026 STATS

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MS: 1

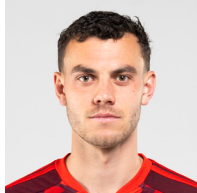
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CALLUM

Pronunciation:

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MONTGOMERY

DOB: 5/14/1997

Hometown: Nanaimo, BC, Canada

Former Club: Cavalry FC

Joined DCFC: 2026

2026 STATS

MP: 4

MS: 3

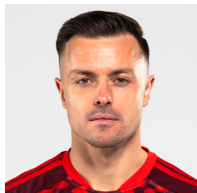
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RYAN

Pronunciation:

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WILLIAMS

DOB: 4/8/1991

Hometown: Birkenhead, England

Former Club: AFC Eskilstuna

Joined DCFC: 2024

2026 STATS

MP: 3

MS: 3

MIN: 236

G: 0

A: 0

Y: 0

R: 0



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DARREN

Pronunciation:

7

SMITH

DOB: 3/26/1996

Hometown: Cape Town, South Africa

Former Club: Inter Turku

Joined DCFC: 2025

2026 STATS

MP: 3

MS: 3

MIN: 230

G: 4

A: 0

Y: 0

R: 0



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ABDOULAYE "LAYE"

Pronunciation: Ahb-do-lie "lie" Jope

8

DIOP

DOB: 9/17/1999

Hometown: Dakar, Senegal

Former Club: Atlanta United II

Joined DCFC: 2022

2026 STATS

MP: 4

MS: 1

MIN: 122

G: 0

A: 1

Y: 0

R: 0

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BEN

Pronunciation:

DOB: 7/6/1999

Hometown: Colchester, England

Former Club: GAIS

Joined DCFC: 2023

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MORRIS

2026 STATS

MP: 3

MS: 1

MIN: 105

G: 0

A: 0

Y: 0

R: 0



M

JECIEL "JECI"

Pronunciation: Jess-see-yell Suh-day-nyo

DOB: 4/3/2000

Hometown: Guayaquil, Ecuador

Former Club: Oakland Roots

Joined DCFC: 2024

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CEDEÑO

2026 STATS

MP: 4

MS: 4

MIN: 271

G: 0

A: 0

Y: 0

R: 0



F

CONNOR

Pronunciation:

DOB: 4/9/1997

Hometown: Commerce, Michigan

Former Club: Cincinnati Dutch Lions

Joined DCFC: 2020

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RUTZ

2026 STATS

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MS: 1

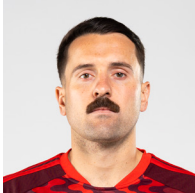
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MICHAEL

Pronunciation:

DOB: 4/2/1995

Hometown: Portola Hills, California

Former Club: Cal United Strikers

Joined DCFC: 2022

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BRYANT

2026 STATS

MP: 3

MS: 1

MIN: 105

G: 0

A: 0

Y: 0

R: 0



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HARUKI

Pronunciation:

DOB: 12/11/2000

Hometown: Nara, Japan

Former Club: N. Colorado Hailstorm

Joined DCFC: 2025

14

YAMAZAKI

2026 STATS

MP: 4

MS: 3

MIN: 314

G: 0

A: 0

Y: 0

R: 0



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ALEXANDER "ALEX"

Pronunciation: Dah - Lou

DOB: 8/24/2000

Hometown: Bloomfield, Michigan

Former Club: FC Tulsa

Joined DCFC: 2026

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DALOU

2026 STATS

MP: 3

MS: 1

MIN: 99

G: 1

A: 2

Y: 2

R: 0



F

PRESTON

Pronunciation:

DOB: 6/10/1998

Hometown: Dakar, Senegal

Former Club: Birmingham Legion

Joined DCFC: 2026

18

TABORT ETAKA

2026 STATS

MP: 4

MS: 1

MIN: 156

G: 2

A: 0

Y: 0

R: 0

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D	RIO		Pronunciation:	hard g				
	20	HOPE-GUND	DOB:	8/20/1999				
Hometown:			New York, New York					
2026 STATS		MP: 2	MS: 1	MIN: 91	G: 0	A: 0	Y: 0	R: 0
		Former Club:		Rhode Island				
		Joined DCFC:		2026				



M	MAXIMILIANO "MAXI"		Pronunciation:					
	21	RODRIGUEZ	DOB:	8/9/1995				
Hometown:			San Antonio, Texas					
2026 STATS		MP: 4	MS: 3	MIN: 269	G: 1	A: 2	Y: 0	R: 0
		Former Club:		Rhode Island				
		Joined DCFC:		2026				



M	KOBE		Pronunciation:	Koh - Bee				
	22	HERNANDEZ-FOSTER	DOB:	6/26/2002				
Hometown:			Los Angeles, California					
2026 STATS		MP: 4	MS: 3	MIN: 263	G: 0	A: 1	Y: 0	R: 0
		Former Club:		Las Vegas Lights				
		Joined DCFC:		2025				



F	CHISOM		Pronunciation:	Egg-Bu-Chew-Lam				
	26	EGBUCHULAM	DOB:	2/22/1992				
Hometown:			Enugu, Nigeria					
2026 STATS		MP: 4	MS: 1	MIN: 138	G: 1	A: 0	Y: 0	R: 0
		Former Club:		Al-Jandal				
		Joined DCFC:		2026				



D	DEVON		Pronunciation:	Ah-moo Men-suh				
	30	AMOO-MENSAH	DOB:	11/27/1995				
Hometown:			Naperville, Illinois					
2026 STATS		MP: 4	MS: 4	MIN: 315	G: 0	A: 1	Y: 0	R: 0
		Former Club:		Michigan Stars				
		Joined DCFC:		2022				



F	ALASSANE "ATES"		Pronunciation:	Ah-tes Jufe				
	32	DIOUF	DOB:	5/24/2000				
Hometown:			Dakar, Senegal					
2026 STATS		MP: 4	MS: 3	MIN: 279	G: 1	A: 1	Y: 0	R: 0
		Former Club:		Lexington SC				
		Joined DCFC:		2025				



F	DERRICK "TOMMY"		Pronunciation:					
	33	SILVA	DOB:	2/21/2002				
Hometown:			Tucson, Arizona					
2026 STATS		MP: 4	MS: 4	MIN: 315	G: 0	A: 0	Y: 0	R: 0
		Former Club:		Birmingham Legion				
		Joined DCFC:		2026				

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2026 STATS

MP:

MS:

MIN:

G:

A:

Y: 0

R: 0

BILAL

OBEID

Pronunciation: Be-lawl Oh-bide

DOB: 11/19/2007

Hometown: Dearborn, Michigan

Former Club: DCFC Academy

Joined DCFC: 2025



G

91

2026 STATS

MP: 1

MS: 1

MIN: 90

S: 1

CS:

Y: 0

R: 0

CARLOS

SALDANA

Pronunciation: Sal - Don - Yuh

DOB: 10/27/1996

Hometown: Vallejo, California

Former Club: Sacramento, California

Joined DCFC: 2024



HEAD COACH

DANNY DICHIO

Dichio, a former standout at QPR, Sunderland, and Toronto FC—where he scored the club's first MLS goal—transitioned to coaching, spending over a decade in TFC's academy. He helped guide Sacramento Republic FC to the 2022 U.S. Open Cup Final and the 2023 Western Conference Final before becoming DCFC's head coach, leading the team to four straight postseasons and a historic 2025 playoff upset. In December 2025, he signed a contract through 2027 with an option for 2028.



ASSISTANT HEAD COACH

PHILLIP DOS SANTOS

Dos Santos brings over 10 years of coaching experience to Detroit City FC, most recently serving as manager and GM of Canadian Premier League side Valour FC for four years. Prior to that, he was an assistant coach with Vancouver Whitecaps FC under his brother Marc, helping the team reach the 2020 MLS is Back Tournament knockout stage. Earlier, he held assistant roles with Indy Eleven, San Francisco Deltas (NASL champions in 2017), Fort Lauderdale Strikers, and Ottawa Fury across four seasons.



GOALKEEPER COACH

EMERSON LOVATO

Lovato has worked all across the United States, making stops at Midwestern State University, and Newberry College to name a few. Then, in 2021, Lovato had his first taste of professional soccer, serving as the Goalkeeper Coach at Forward Madison of USL League One. Most recently, Lovato served as an assistant coach at California Polytechnical University.



SPORTS PERFORMANCE COACH

ELISA BAERON

Baeron, a former Bowling Green standout with 50 appearances, holds a Master's in Strength and Conditioning from Michigan State, where she worked with Olympic and basketball programs. She served as Assistant Strength Coach at Oakland University before returning to MSU as Assistant Director of Athletic Performance, supporting women's soccer. A native of Selsingen, Germany, she has also played in DCFC's arena league seasons.



HEAD ATHLETIC TRAINER

MAUREEN LILLA

Lilla graduated from Central Michigan University with a BS in Athletic Training. Since then, she's had 23 years of experience working with athletes of all ages. Working through Detroit Medical Center, Lilla joined Detroit City in 2021. Prior experience includes Detroit Sun Pro-Am and the UWS National League.



ATHLETIC TRAINER

JOSH EDDY

Eddy graduated from Central Michigan University with a BS in Athletic Training. Since then, Josh has spent 7 of the last 9 years working in the collegiate setting spanning NCAA Division I, II and NAIA gaining experience in men's and women's soccer, softball and football programs. Eddy started with DCFC in January of 2026 in partnership with the Detroit Medical Center.



DETROIT CITY FC II HEAD COACH

BRAD DUNWELL

Dunwell played 20 games for DCFC in 2022, then joined Charlotte Independence in 2023 before returning to Grand Rapids to coach at Midwest United FC and serve as a player-coach for their USL League Two team. He holds a US Soccer B license.



DIRECTOR OF SOCCER OPERATIONS

COOPER BAKER

Baker supports the Men's team's daily logistics, ensuring players and staff have the resources they need to succeed. A Northwood University graduate with a BBA in Sports and Entertainment Management, Cooper also coaches in the City Youth travel program and holds a U.S. Soccer "D" License



SOCCER OPERATIONS COORDINATOR

CHAD AIELLO

Aiello graduated from Central Michigan University with a BBA in Sport and Fitness Administration. Aiello started his journey with DCFC as a media assistant before joining the first-team staff in 2025 in his current role. He helps with equipment management for the team and assists with player care off the field.



OPERATIONS & TECHNICAL ANALYST

ARCHER GUANCO

Guanco joined Detroit City full time after interning with the club for two years. A Michigan native, he graduated from Michigan State in 2025 with a degree in Sports Management and Journalism.

MATCH BY MATCH STARTING XI

3/14/2026 - DCFC vs BKN - Herrera, Yamazaki, Amoo-Mensah, Montgomery, Silva, Ryan Williams, Hernandez-Foster, Rodriguez, Cedeno, Diouf, Smith

3/17/2026 - DCFC vs MI RANGERS FC - Saldana, Rhys Williams, Amoo-Mensah, Hope-Gund, Silva, Rutz, Diop, Cedeno, Preston, Dalou, Egbuchulam

3/21/2026 - DCFC @ IND - Herrera, Yamazaki, Amoo-Mensah, Montgomery, Silva, Ryan Williams, Hernandez-Foster, Rodriguez, Cedeno, Diouf, Smith