

# FC EDMONTON PRESS NOTES



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FC Edmonton  
vs  
Ottawa Fury FC



Wednesday, April 30, 2014  
7:30 p.m. MT Kick Off  
Clarke Stadium  
Edmonton, Alberta

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## FC Edmonton's Match Preview

FC Edmonton will look to utilize home field advantage come Wednesday, April 30 at 7:30 p.m. MT at Clarke Stadium against Ottawa Fury FC in the second leg of the quarter-final round in the Amway Canadian Championship.

Last Wednesday, a crowd of 2,158 fans was on hand at Carleton University's Keith Harris Stadium to see the first meeting between Canada's two NASL sides, ending in a 0-0 draw. The Eddies look forward to a strong showing from the Edmonton fans at Clarke Stadium on Wednesday.

The winner of this Wednesday's match will book its place in the ACC semi-finals against Major League Soccer (MLS) side Montreal Impact for the first leg on Wednesday, May 7 before the second leg on Wednesday, May 14.

## Last Time Out

***April 23, 2014 @ Carleton University | 0-0***

FC Edmonton took on Ottawa Fury FC for the first of the 2014 Amway Canadian Championship quarter-finals in Keith Harris Stadium on Carleton University Campus in Ottawa Ontario to a 0-0 draw.

Both side had their chances with Ottawa's Mason Trafford sending his bicycle kick just over the cross bar off a corner kick in the 75th minute while FC Edmonton were denied twice late by Fury goalkeeper Devala Gorrick.

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## 2014 Goals Scored Breakdown:

<b>FC Edmonton</b>	<b>(S)</b>	<b>(F)</b>
0-15 Minute:	0	-
16-30 Minute:	0	-
31-45 Minute:	0	-
First Half Injury Time:	0	-
46-60 Minute:	0	-
61-75 Minute:	0	-
76-90 Minute:	1	-
Second Half Injury Time:	0	-

<b>Opponents</b>	<b>(S)</b>	<b>(F)</b>
0-15 Minute:	0	-
16-30 Minute:	0	-
31-45 Minute:	2	-
First Half Injury Time:	0	-
46-60 Minute:	0	-
61-75 Minute:	1	-
76-90 Minute:	0	-
Second Half Injury Time:	0	-

## FC Edmonton Record When:

	<b>(S)</b>	<b>(F)</b>
Scoring First:	0-0-0	0-0-0
Opponent Scores First:	0-1-2	0-0-0
Outshooting Opponent:	0-0-0	0-0-0
Being Outshot:	0-1-2	0-0-0
Same Number of Shots:	0-0-0	0-0-0

## FC Edmonton 2014 NASL Schedule

April 12	vs Tampa Bay Rowdies	A	1-1 (D)
April 19	vs New York Cosmos	H	0-1 (L)
April 26	vs Minnesota United FC	A	1-0 (L)
May 3	vs Fort Lauderdale Strikers	H	7:00 p.m.
May 10	vs Indy Eleven	A	5:30 p.m.
May 17	vs San Antonio Scorpions	A	6:30 p.m.
May 24	vs Atlanta Silverbacks	H	7:00 p.m.
May 31	vs Ottawa Fury FC	A	5:00 p.m.
June 8	vs Carolina RailHawks	H	2:00 p.m.
July 13	vs Ottawa Fury FC	H	4:00 p.m.
July 19	vs Atlanta Silverbacks	A	5:00 p.m.
July 27	vs Indy Eleven	H	2:00 p.m.
August 3	vs San Antonio Scorpions	H	2:00 p.m.
August 6	vs New York Cosmos	A	5:30 p.m.
August 9	vs Minnesota United FC	A	5:00 p.m.
August 16	vs Carolina RailHawks	A	5:30 p.m.
August 24	vs Fort Lauderdale Strikers	H	2:00 p.m.
August 31	vs Minnesota United FC	H	2:00 p.m.
Sept 6	vs San Antonio Scorpions	A	6:30 p.m.
Sept 13	vs Indy Eleven	A	5:30 p.m.
Sept 21	vs Tampa Bay Rowdies	H	2:00 p.m.
Sept 28	vs New York Cosmos	H	2:00 p.m.
Oct 4	vs Tampa Bay Rowdies	A	5:30 p.m.
Oct 12	vs Carolina RailHawks	H	2:00 p.m.
Oct 18	vs Ottawa Fury FC	A	5:00 p.m.
Oct 25	vs Fort Lauderdale Strikers	A	5:30 p.m.
Nov 2	vs Atlanta Silverbacks	H	2:00 p.m.

## 2014 Amway Canadian Championship Schedule

April 23	vs Ottawa Fury FC	A	0-0 (D)
April 30	vs Ottawa Fury FC	H	7:30 p.m.
May 7 *			
May 14 *			

## 2014 Honours

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## 2014 FC Edmonton Roster Statistics

#	Name	Minutes	ACC Min.	Goals	Assists	YC	RC
2	Mike Banner	-	-	-	-	-	-
3	Eddie Edward	121	64	-	-	-	-
4	Neil Hlavaty	270	90	-	-	1	-
5	Albert Watson	270	90	-	-	1	-
6	Edem Mortotsi	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	Horace James	168	26	-	-	-	-
8	Ritchie Jones	270	90	-	1	1	-
9	Sadi Jalali	-	-	-	-	-	-
10	Milton Blanco	139	-	-	-	-	-
11	Massimo Mirabelli	17	13	-	-	-	-
12	Kareem Moses	226	90	-	-	1	-
13	Frank Jonke	270	29	-	-	-	-
14	Gagan Dosanjh	-	-	-	-	-	-
15	Mallan Roberts	84	-	-	-	-	-
16	Daryl Fordyce	257	61	-	-	1	-
17	Lance Laing	270	77	-	-	1	-
18	Tomi Ameobi	137	90	1	-	-	-
19	Hanson Boakai	23	90	-	-	-	-
22	Michael Nonni	134	90	-	-	2	-
25	Marko Aleksic	44	-	-	-	1	-

## 2014 FC Edmonton Goalkeeper Statistics

#	Name	Minutes	ACC Min.	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
1	Lance Parker	-	-	-	-
21	Tyson Farago	-	-	-	-
23	John Smits	270	90	-	-

## FC Edmonton Pronunciation Guide

Neil Hlavaty: Ha-La-Va-Tee	Edem Mortotsi: Ed-Em More-Tot-See
Sadi Jalali: Sa-Di Ja-Lal-E	Massimo Mirabelli: Mire-A-Bell-E
Kareem Moses: Ka-Reem	Frank Jonke: Yawn-Kay
Gagan Dosanjh: Gag-An Doe-Sanj	Mallan Roberts: Ma-Lawn
Tomi Ameobi: Toe-Me Am-E-Ob-E	Hanson Boakai: Bo-A-Kie
Tyson Farago: Fare-ago	Marko Aleksic: Alec-Shick

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## FC Edmonton Owners, Technical and Coaching Staff

Owners: Tom and Dave Fath

Assistant Coach: Jeff Paulus

General Manager: Rod Proudfoot

Goalkeeper Coach: Darren Woloshen

Head Coach: Colin Miller

Athletic Therapist: Jose Jimenez

Team Administrator: Andreas Morse

Assistant AT: Shohei Miyauchi

## 2014 FC Edmonton Roster

#	Position	Name	Height	Weight	Born	Hometown
1	Goalkeeper	Lance Parker	6'4"	200lbs	08/19/85	Oklahoma City, OK
2	Midfielder	Mike Banner	5'10"	160lbs	10/20/84	Washington, DC
3	Defender	Eddie Edward	6'0"	205lbs	09/20/88	Ottawa, ONT
4	Midfielder	Neil Hlavaty	6'0"	170lbs	12/27/86	Lombard, IL
5	Defender	Albert Watson	6'0"	195lbs	09/08/85	Belfast, NIR
6	Midfielder	Edem Mortotsi	6'0"	158lbs	05/16/93	Accra, GH
7	Midfielder	Horace James	6'0"	180lbs	12/20/84	Port Maria, JM
8	Midfielder	Ritchie Jones	6'1"	168lbs	09/26/86	Manchester, UK
9	Striker	Sadi Jalali	6'0"	173lbs	06/06/95	Edmonton, AB
10	Midfielder	Milton Blanco	6'0"	170lbs	04/27/84	Fresno, CA
11	Midfielder	Massimo Mirabelli	5'11"	180lbs	10/21/91	Brampton, ONT
12	Defender	Kareem Moses	6'1"	185lbs	02/11/90	Port of Spain, TT
13	Striker	Frank Jonke	6'4"	205lbs	01/30/85	Pickering, ONT
14	Midfielder	Gagan Dosanjh	5'6"	135lbs	11/01/90	Abbotsford, BC
15	Defender	Mallan Roberts	6'2"	186lbs	06/06/92	Freetown, SL
16	Striker	Daryl Fordyce	6'0"	160lbs	01/02/87	Belfast, NIR
17	Defender	Lance Laing	6'0"	185lbs	02/28/88	Trelawny, JM
18	Striker	Tomi Ameobi	6'3"	185lbs	08/16/88	Newcastle, UK
19	Midfielder	Hanson Boakai	5'4"	142lbs	10/28/96	Edmonton, AB
21	Goalkeeper	Tyson Farago	6'2"	200lbs	05/01/91	Winnipeg, MB
22	Defender	Michael Nonni	5'11"	165lbs	11/10/89	Vancouver, BC
23	Goalkeeper	John Smits	6'4"	185lbs	09/07/88	Mississauga, ONT
25	Defender	Marko Aleksic	6'4"	190lbs	09/10/96	Belgrade, RS

## FC Edmonton on Twitter

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Albert Watson	@Albertw5	Edem Mortotsi	@edemwale
Horace James	@hjsoccer	Ritchie Jones	@Ritchie8Jones
Sadi Jalali	@sadijalali	Massimo Mirabelli	@massimogigi11
Kareem Moses	@king_moses12	Frank Jonke	@MisterBully
Gagan Dosanjh	@RealGags	Mallan Roberts	@MallanRoberts
Lance Laing	@wonelef17	Tomi Ameobi	@Tomi_Mobi
Hanson Boakai	@HansonBoakai	Tyson Farago	@Tysonjfarago
Michael Nonni	@MichaelNonni17	John Smits	@RealJohnSmits
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Darren Woloshen	@woloshendarren		

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## Goalkeepers

**#1 Lance Parker:** Joining FC Edmonton in 2011, Parker has worked his way into the number 1 spot. In 2013, Parker played 1735 minutes for the Eddies, third-most minutes in the league, and posted the second-lowest GAA (0.950) in the league.

**#23 John Smits:** In 2009, Smits set a Canadian University record with 12 shut-outs in 15 games and only 3 goals against. He also made 3 National Championship appearances with the U of T Varsity Blues. Smits joined FC Edmonton in 2012 and has played over 1200 minutes for the Eddies in the two seasons he's been with the club.

**#21 Tyson Farago:** In 2013 Farago played with WSA Winnipeg in the PDL. During his season with the team, he recorded 107 saves to earn him the top spot in the league. That season, he was also named PDL Central Conference All-Conference Goalkeeper. Farago signed with FC Edmonton in the 2014 off-season.

## Defenders

**#17 Lance Laing:** After impressing during an open tryout, Lance Laing signed with the Fort Lauderdale Strikers in 2011. In 2012 Laing spent preseason on trial with the Columbus Crew and Real Salt Lake of Major League Soccer. Laing continued to play for the Strikers in 2012 NASL season. Laing signed for FC Edmonton in the 2013 off season and played 2160 minutes in his first year with the club.

**#3 Eddie Edward:** With MLS and previous NASL experience before joining the Eddies in 2013, this right-back made 20 appearances with the club in his first season and earned over 1700 minutes.

**#12 Kareem Moses:** After playing with several different clubs in Trinidad and Tobago, this centre-back has also earned a call-up to the senior team and he made his senior National team debut on August 15, 2012 in a friendly against Canada. Since then has made eight more appearances with the national team. Moses came to FC Edmonton in the off season of the 2014 season.

**#5 Albert Watson:** Watson joined FC Edmonton in the offseason of 2013. After suffering an early injury in preseason training camp, he bounced back to join the team in May of 2013 and was named Player of the Week five times in the season and was honoured with a spot on the North American Soccer League's (NASL) 2013 Team of the Year.

**#22 Michael Nonni:** After attending University of Santa Barbara, Nonni's next soccer move was to to Germany with SV Wilhelmshaven, a German fourth division team where he played for the next six months. After his time in Germany, he came once again back home to Canada where he played with the FC Edmonton Academy squad in the summer of 2012, before moving up to the first team in 2013. Starting off his time at FC Edmonton as a midfielder, Nonni has found his place in the Eddies squad as a right-back and in the 2014 preseason started in three out of five matches.

**#15 Mallan Roberts:** Signing his first professional soccer contract in 2013, Roberts made his FC Edmonton debut on April 28, 2013 against San Antonio Scorpions. He scored his first goal with the club on June 30 versus Minnesota United FC in a 3-1 victory for the Eddies. In 2013, Roberts earned 949 minutes during the NASL season.

**#25 Marko Aleksic:** Under the guidance of his father, the centre-back began playing soccer with Edmonton Inter at the age of 10. His next soccer move was to FC Edmonton's Academy team when he entered high school. Playing well with the FCE Academy for the next three years. In 2014, Aleksic earned his spot in the FC Edmonton first team and his first professional soccer contract at 17.

## Midfielders

**#4 Neil Hlavaty:** Earning his NASL experience with Minnesota Stars (now Minnesota United FC), Hlavaty arrived in FC Edmonton in time for the 2013 season. In his first year with the Eddies he earned "Goal of the Week" honours and was a finalist for "Goal of the Year" for his free-kick against Atlanta Silverbacks.

**#8 Ritchie Jones:** Jones has played with several other English clubs, but most recently found himself across the pond on trial with Major League Soccer side San Jose Earthquakes. Jones then made the choice to come to Canada and sign with FC Edmonton in the 2014 NASL off-season.

**#10 Milton Blanco:** Blanco comes to the Eddies with MLS experience, playing a season with Chivas USA and also one with Columbus Crew before joining the NASL to play with Puerto Rico Islanders and most recently the Atlanta Silverbacks. Blanco joined FC Edmonton in the 2014 off season.

**#2 Mike Banner:** Most recently, Banner played in Finland with topflight team FF Jaro. For the two seasons he played with the club, Banner made 48 club appearances and was a regular figure in the starting XI. Banner is one of the new faces in the Eddies squad joining the team in the 2014 off season.

**#7 Horace James:** After signing a NASL contract with the Atlanta Silverbacks in 2012, he stayed with the team for two seasons before signing with FC Edmonton in 2014 after a two week trial with the club.

**#11 Massimo Mirabelli:** In 2011/12, Mirabelli played with Ekenas IF - a third division team in Finland before coming to Edmonton to participate in the FC Edmonton Combine in November of 2012, where he was the only player to sign a contract with the team out of the several week long camp. Mirabelli played 727 minutes in his first season with FC Edmonton and scored twice.

**#14 Gagan Dosanjh:** An Abbotsford native who found success with BC teams, Abbotsford Mariners, Vancouver Whitecaps Residency, UBC Thunderbirds (where he scored an impressive 26 goals in 50 games) and the Whitecaps U23 side most recently. Dosanjh signed with FC Edmonton in the summer of 2013. After a frustrating season with injuries, he continues to work on his rehabilitation.

**#6 Edem Mortotsi:** In 2013, Mortotsi was offered his first professional contract with FC Edmonton. He made his professional debut in the 2013 season opener against Fort Lauderdale Strikers and made a total of 10 appearances for the club during the season.

**#19 Hanson Boakai:** Boakai signed his first professional contract with FC Edmonton in 2013 and in the following season made three appearances with the team including his professional debut against Carolina RailHawks in June 2013. Boakai was 16 years-old at the time and therefore holds the NASL record for being the youngest player in the league.

## Strikers

**#16 Daryl Fordyce:** Fordyce signed with FC Edmonton in 2013. During his first season with the club, he was FC Edmonton's leading goal scorer for the 2013 season.

**#13 Frank Jonke:** In 2011, Jonke signed with FC Inter Turku out of Finland and the following season signed with FF Jaro. At the end of the season he was awarded fan favourite and golden boot for the team award. After resigning with FF Jaro for another season, Jonke received his first senior Canadian National team call-up for a camp in the United States. Frank Jonke signed with FC Edmonton in the 2014 off-season.

**#18 Tomi Ameobi:** Starting his professional career with Leeds United, Ameobi has played in the United Kingdom and Iceland. Most recently, he played in Finland with VPS. Ameobi signed with FC Edmonton after a two week trial in the 2014 NASL off-season.

**#9 Sadi Jalali:** After playing with the Edmonton Juventus, he spent 6 months with the Whitecaps Residency, and also 6 months in Germany. Jalali joined the FC Edmonton Academy program in 2012 and signed with the first team in 2013. In the 2013 NASL season he earned 382 minutes.

Head coach **Colin Miller** is no stranger to soccer in North American soccer as he was the youngest player to play in the NASL with the Toronto Blizzard in 1982. Miller also has 61 international caps for the senior Canadian Men's Soccer team and has been the interim head coach for the team on two occasions in 2013. With over 30 years of playing and coaching experience, Miller's side will no doubt be in the mood for competing in the 2014 season.

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## NASL 2014 Spring Standings

Place	Team	PLD	W	T	L	GF	GA	+/-	PTS
1	Minnesota United FC	3	3	0	0	5	1	4	9
2	New York Cosmos	3	2	0	1	5	1	4	6
3	Fort Lauderdale Strikers	3	2	0	1	6	6	0	6
4	San Antonio Scorpions	3	2	0	1	3	3	0	6
5	Carolina Railhawks	3	1	1	1	5	6	-1	4
6	Ottawa Fury FC	3	1	0	2	5	4	1	3
7	Atlanta Silverbacks	3	1	0	2	4	7	-3	3
8	Indy Eleven	3	0	2	1	4	5	-1	2
9	Tampa Bay Rowdies	3	0	2	1	3	5	-2	2
10	FC Edmonton	3	0	1	2	1	3	-2	1

*Tiebreakers: 1. Goal Differential 2. Total Goals 3. Head-to-Head Record*

## NASL 2013 Fall Standings

Place	Team	PLD	W	T	L	GF	GA	+/-	PTS
1	New York Cosmos	14	9	4	1	22	12	10	31
2	Carolina RailHawks	14	7	2	5	21	16	5	23
3	Tampa Bay Rowdies	14	5	5	4	30	27	3	20
4	Minnesota United FC	14	6	2	6	21	19	2	20
5	Fort Lauderdale Strikers	14	5	3	6	18	20	-2	18
6	FC Edmonton	14	3	7	4	13	14	-1	16
7	Atlanta Silverbacks	14	4	4	6	14	22	-8	16
8	San Antonio Scorpions	14	3	1	10	15	24	-9	10

*Tiebreakers: 1. Goal Differential 2. Total Goals 3. Head-to-Head Record*

## 2013 NASL Award Winners

### NASL Golden Ball – Georgi Hristov, Tampa Bay Rowdies

Hristov led the Rowdies in scoring with 12 goals and had eight assists as he won the media vote for the annual player of the year award.

### NASL Golden Boot – Brian Shriver, Carolina RailHawks

Shriver fired 15 goals as the top scorer during the combined NASL Spring and Fall Seasons.

### NASL Golden Glove – Kyle Reynish, New York Cosmos

Reynish started and played every minute in 13 of the 14 Cosmos games during the NASL Fall Season, posting a record of 8 wins, 4 draws and 1 loss, while earning five shutouts. Goalkeepers had to play a minimum of 10 games in 2013 to be eligible for the honor.

### NASL Fair Play Award- Minnesota United FC

Awarded to the team with the best discipline record in the NASL regular season, based on fewest red and yellow cards.

### Coach of the Year – Brian Haynes, Atlanta Silverbacks

In his first full season in charge, Haynes led the Silverbacks to the NASL Spring season title and with it the right to host NASL Soccer Bowl 2013.

### Goal of the Season – Pedro Mendes, Atlanta Silverbacks

An unstoppable long-distance shot by Pedro Mendes of the Atlanta Silverbacks won the 2013 North American Soccer League Goal of the Season award selected by fans voting on NASL.com

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## About the NASL

The North American Soccer League is a professional soccer league established in the United States and Canada. The NASL member teams are: Atlanta Silverbacks, Carolina RailHawks, FC Edmonton, Fort Lauderdale Strikers, Indy Eleven, Minnesota United FC, New York Cosmos, Ottawa Fury FC, San Antonio Scorpions FC and Tampa Bay Rowdies. Jacksonville Armada, Virginia Cavalry FC and Oklahoma City will commence play in 2015.

The NASL will feature a new-look post-season format in 2014 as four clubs qualify to play in 'The Championship' that will decide which of the league's clubs lifts the NASL Soccer Bowl trophy.

As a component of long term competition planning, the NASL Spring Season and Fall Season champions will be joined in the semi finals of The Championship by the two clubs with the next best overall records from both seasons combined. The semi final winners will compete in The Championship final.

The Championship Semi Finals (home team listed first)

Seed #1 vs. Seed #4

Seed #2 vs. Seed #3

The Championship Final (home team listed first)

Highest remaining seed vs. other Semi Final winner

For more information about the NASL, visit [www.NASL.com](http://www.NASL.com). Follow the NASL on Twitter @NASLOfficial and Facebook at [www.Facebook.com/NASLfans](http://www.Facebook.com/NASLfans).

## About FC Edmonton

FC Edmonton's roots began in 2009 by Tom and Dave Fath in order to give back to a city that has given so much to it's residents. FC Edmonton's 2010 season was played as an exhibition season before joining the North American Soccer League in 2011.

Playing out of Clarke Stadium for the 2014 season, the Eddies look to continue to grow the cities interest in professional soccer, as the team continues to find success on the field.

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