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#### MATCHDAY PREVIEW

#### 1868 looks to lock up playoff spot against Tacoma Defiance Reno can secure playoff berth with win or draw

After a draw at the death on Saturday against Sacramento, Reno 1868 FC returns home for a matchup with Tacoma Defiance that could lock up the playoffs for Reno. With a win or draw, the boys in blue will clinch a top-two spot in Group A and a fourth straight playoff berth.

"We've got to handle business at home," said head coach Ian Russell. "It's a big game for us, it's our game in hand. If we can win and get three points it's going to put us in a really good position."

Reno enters on a five-game unbeaten streak, thanks to forward Aidan Apodaca's heroics in the closing seconds of Saturday's game.

Trailing 3-2 in stoppage time, Apodaca was able to secure a lofted ball from Brent Richards and put a rocket into the back of the net. The draw secured a point on the road for Reno, and kept the lads atop Group A with 25 points.

A win in Sacramento would have clinched a playoff spot, but the draw set up a chance to clinch in front of an empty Greater Nevada Field.

Tacoma enters the match struggling as of late. The Defiance were unbeaten in their first three games after the USL Championship season was restarted in July, before making an August 8 trip to Reno. 1868 came out on top 2-1, and Defiance has yet to win a game since.

All time, Reno has never lost to Tacoma. The club owns a 5-0-3 record against Defiance, one of eight USL clubs to never beat Reno. Of the eight winless opponents, Tacoma has had the most games against Reno as well.

In the sides' two previous matchups this season, Reno has won 3-1 and 2-1.

The game will be played at Greater Nevada Field, where Los Azules have seen plenty of success in 2020. In Reno's five home games this season, the team has gone 5-1-0 and averages 3.2 goals per game compared to 2.8 on the road. The last time out at GNF saw Reno put up seven goals against Portland Timbers 2.

Leading the way for Los Azules has been an electric stretch of games from forward Foster Langsdorf. Langsdorf has scored in five straight games, bringing his goal total to a team-leading six. The five game streak is the second-longest in club history, behind Dane Kelly's six-game streak from 2017.

Kickoff is set for 6:30 p.m. PT from Greater Nevada Field. The game will be broadcast live on ESPN+, Nevada Sports Net and ESPN Radio 94.5. More information about how to watch the game from home is available here, and information on where to participate in in-person watch parties can be found here.

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#### SEBASTIAN MORA (G)





6'1" // 181 LBS //DOB: April 14, 1998

Sebastian Mora comes to Reno in 2020 after previously spending time in Liga MX Premier. With Club Tijuana Premier Mora appeared in 18 matches, all starts.

Record as starter: n/a

Games: 0 Starts: 0 Saves: 0 Shutouts: 0

#### TYLER ALLEN (F)





5'9" // 168 LBS //DOB: October 12, 1998

Tyler Allen comes to Reno as a rookie after three seasons at UNLV, where he appeared in 69 games, starting 45 and tallying two assists. Allen overlapped with current Reno midfielder Kevin Partida, and was a part of the school's WAC champion season as a freshman.

Record as starter: n/a

Games: 0 Starts: 0 Goals: 0 Assists: 0

#### YOUNES BOUDADI (D)





6'0" // 165 LBS //DOB: January 24, 1996

Younes Boudadi comes to Reno after a standout collegiate career at Boston College before transferring to Creighton after his sophomore year. The outside back spent time with the U17 and U20 Moroccan national teams, including an appearance in the U17 World Cup. Boudadi should be a key contributer to the back four in 2020.

Record as starter: n/a

Games: 3 Starts: 0 Goals: 0 Assists: 0

#### **ALEKS BERKOLDS (D)**





6'1" // 185 LBS //DOB: April 27, 1996

Aleks Berkolds comes to Reno after spending the 2019 season with Tacoma Defiance. The SDSU product appeared in 23 games, starting 22 and tallying almost 2,000 minutes for the Defiance. Berkolds led the club in blocks (23) and clearances (127), and his 26 interceptions were third. Berkolds will add depth to the 2020 defense for Reno.

**Record as starter:** n/a

Games: 0 Starts: 0 Goals: 0 Assists: 0

#### TONY ALFARO (D)





6'2" // 190 LBS //DOB: June 15, 1993

Tony Alfaro comes to Reno with a background in MLS and in Liga MX. The center back appeared in 25 MLS games for Seattle Sounders, including 12 starts. Alfaro was a part of the club in 2016, when Seattle would win an MLS Cup. Alfaro should be a major key to Reno's back line in 2020.

Record as starter: 4-1-0

Games: 5 Starts: 5 Goals: 0 Assists: 0

#### TUCKER BONE (M)





5'11" // 160 LBS //DOB: Jan. 23, 1996

Tucker Bone joins Reno for 2020 after spending the 2019 season with Colorado Springs Switchbacks FC. Bone earned eight starts and 16 appearances for Colorado Springs last season, tallying a goal and an assist, and brings a strong attacking ability to Reno's 2020 midfield.

Record as starter: 6-1-0

Games: 7 Starts: 7 Goals: 2 Assists: 1

#### THOMAS JANJIGIAN (D)





6'2" // 190 LBS //DOB: Sept. 10, 1994

Thomas Janjigian returns to Reno for his fourth season with 1868 FC after re-signing in November of 2019. Janjigian opens the 2020 season tied for 10th in club history in starts with 40. The native of Pleasanton, Calif. figures to be a veteran leader and key piece of the 2020 defense for Reno.

Record as starter: 7-2-0

Games: 9 Starts: 9 Goals: 0 Assists: 0

#### AYRTON STATIE (D)





5'9" // 161 LBS //DOB: July 22, 1994

Ayrton Statie comes to Reno after an international career that saw him play professionally in the Netherlands and represent his home country of Curaçao in 12 international matches. The 25-year-old left back has almost 1,000 minutes of international experience, and should be a key piece of the

Record as starter: n/a

Games: 0 Starts: 0 Goals: 0 Assists: 0







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#### SERGIO RIVAS (M)





5'11" // 170 LBS //DOB: Oct. 3, 1997

Sergio Rivas comes back to Reno for year two with Reno 1868 FC after a strong opening season in Northern Nevada. The young midfielder tallied two goals and an assist, with Reno going 3-0-0 in games he scored or assistedin. In his 16 appearances, Reno went 9-4-3. Rivas should be a contributer in the midfield in 2020.

Record as starter: 6-1-0

Games: 8 Starts: 7 Goals: 2 Assists: 0

#### FOSTER LANGSDORF (F)





5'10" // 163 LBS //DOB: Dec. 14, 1995

Foster Langsdorf brings 21 career USL Championship goals to Reno for his first year with 1868 FC. Langsdorf set a club record for goals in a season with 14 in 2018, and will add his excellent finishing ability to Reno's 2020 attack. In May of 2018, Langsdorf became the first player in Timbers

2 history to record a hat trick. **Record as starter:** 2-1-0

Games: 9 Starts: 3 Goals: 4 Assists: 0

#### AIDAN APODACA (F)





5'9" // 174 LBS //DOB: May 24, 1996

Aidan Apodaca returns to Reno for year two with 1868 FC after a strong year one. Apodaca's five goals were tied for fourth on the team, and his three assists were ninth. Apodaca's 134 minutes per goal were third on the team. The native of Upland, Calif. figures to be a contributer in a strong group of goalscorers in 2020. **Record as starter:** n/a

Games: 5 Starts: 0 Goals: 1 Assists: 0

#### EMILIO YCAZA (M)



5'6" // 150 LBS //DOB: July 10, 1997

Ycaza comes to Reno after two standout years with the University of South Florida. Ycaza appeared in 32 collegiate games, starting 24 and scoring seven goals. Two of Ycaza's goals were game winners, and the midfielder tacked on three assists. Ycaza should add depth to a strong midfield for Reno in 2020.

Record as starter: 0-1-0

Games: 5 Starts: 1 Goals: 0 Assists: 0

#### MO DABO (M)





5'9" // 165 LBS //DOB: Jan. 2, 1996

Mo Dabo joins Reno 1868 FC for the 2020 season after spending 2018-19 with Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC. In that span, Dabo appeared in 48 games, starting 35. Prior to his time in the USL, the native of Senegal spent time in Italy with the Inter Milan youth system from 2013-15.

Record as starter: 0-1-0

Games: 7 Starts: 1 Goals: 0 Assists: 0

#### DIEGO CASILLAS (M)





5'6" // 134 LBS //DOB: Dec. 20, 1994

Diego Casillas comes to Reno after spending the 2019 season with Fresno FC. Casillas appeared in 21 games, starting three and racking up over 734 minutes. Casillas scored two goals and earned two assists in 2019. The native of Tepalcatepec, Mexico should add depth to a strong Reno midfield in

**Record as starter:** n/a

Games: 1 Starts: 0 Goals: 0 Assists: 0

#### BENJAMIN KIKANOVIC (F)





6'1" // 170 LBS //DOB: Jan. 6, 2000

Benjamin Kikanovic signs with Reno after a standout career with Sacramento State. In two seasons with the Hornets, Kikanovic scored nine goals and tallied five assists. As a freshman, the native of Antelope, Calif. was named Big West co-freshman of the year and earned United Soccer Coaches All-Far West Region third team.

Record as starter: 4-1-0

Games: 6 Starts: 5 Goals: 1 Assists: 0

#### SAM GLEADLE (M)

#23



5'10" // 155 LBS //DOB: March 20, 1996

Sam Gleadle returns to Reno for year three with 1868 FC after a breakout 2019 season. The native of Chichester, England tallied five goals and four assists in 27 appearances (16 starts). Gleadle will likely be an important piece of the 2020 midfield in Reno, as no midfielder scored more than him in 2019

Record as starter: 6-2-0

Games: 9 Starts: 8 Goals: 0 Assists: 1



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#### BEN BEAURY (G)





5'11" // 165 LBS //DOB: May 13, 1996

Ben Beaury joins Reno on loan from New Mexico United for the 2020 season, his third in the USL Championship. Beaury earned one start with New Mexico last season, after a standout career with Le Moyne College in New York. Beaury should be an important piece of the goalkeeper group for Reno in 2020.

Record as starter: 3-2-0

Games: 5 Starts: 5 Saves: 25 Shutouts: 0

#### JESUS ENRIQUEZ (M)





5'7" // 150 LBS //DOB: Aug. 16, 1997

Jesus Enriquez comes to Reno after starting the 2020 season with San Antonio FC. In 2018 and 2019, Enriquez appeared in 61 games with RGV FC, making 49 starts and scoring 10 goals to go with nine assists. In 2018, Enriquez led RGV in goals (six) and assists (six). Enriquez should be a valued part of the Reno attack from the midfield.

Record as starter: n/a

Games: 1 Starts: 0 Goals: 0 Assists: 0

#### IVAN VALENCIA (M)





5'10" // 163 LBS //DOB: January 23, 1999

Ivan Valencia comes to Reno for his third stint with the club, after signing his first professional contract in 2018 befoe re-signing in September of 2019. Valencia's club debut came against Austin in that same month, as a substitute in the 80th minute. Valencia figures to add depth to Reno's strong midfield in 2020.

Record as starter: n/a

Games: 0 Starts: 0 Goals: 0 Assists: 0

#### JARED TIMMER (M)

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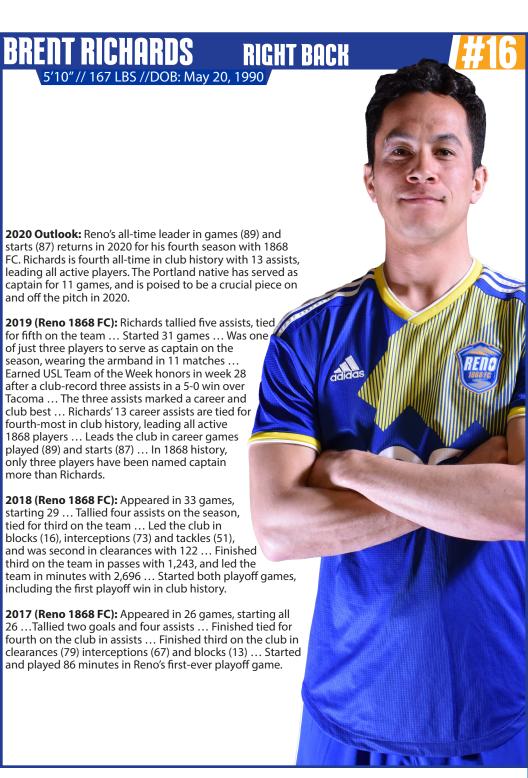
6'0" // 175 LBS //DOB: March 29, 1997

Jared Timmer comes to Reno after a standout career with the Butler Bulldogs, where he scored six goals and tallied 13 assists in just under 6,000 career minutes. The versatile midfielder earned 66 collegiate starts, and figures to be a piece of the defensive midfield for 1868 in 2020.

Record as starter: 3-1-0

Games: 7 Starts: 4 Goals: 0 Assists: 0





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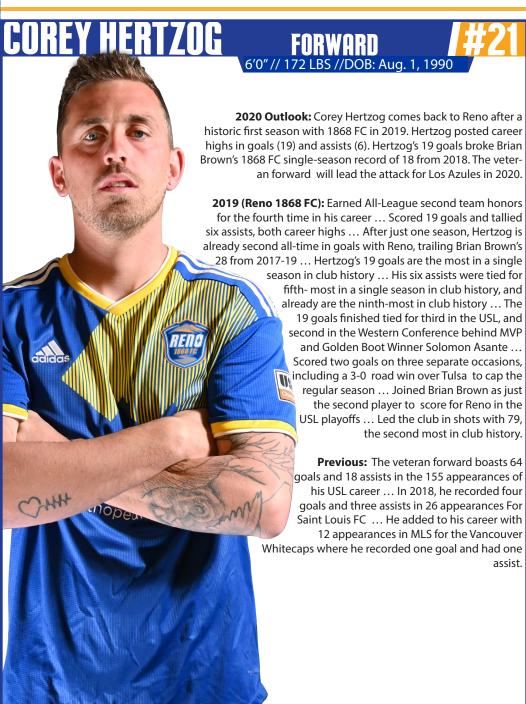
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**LEVIN PARTIDA DEFENSIVE MIDFIELDER**5'8" // 142 LBS //DOB: March 10, 1995

**2020 Outlook:** Kevin Partida comes back to Reno full time for 2020 after spending parts of 2019 with 1868 FC on loan from the San Jose Earthquakes. This will be the third year playing in Reno for the Sparks, Nev. native. Partida will bring MLS experience and serve as a strong defender in the midfield for the 2020 season.

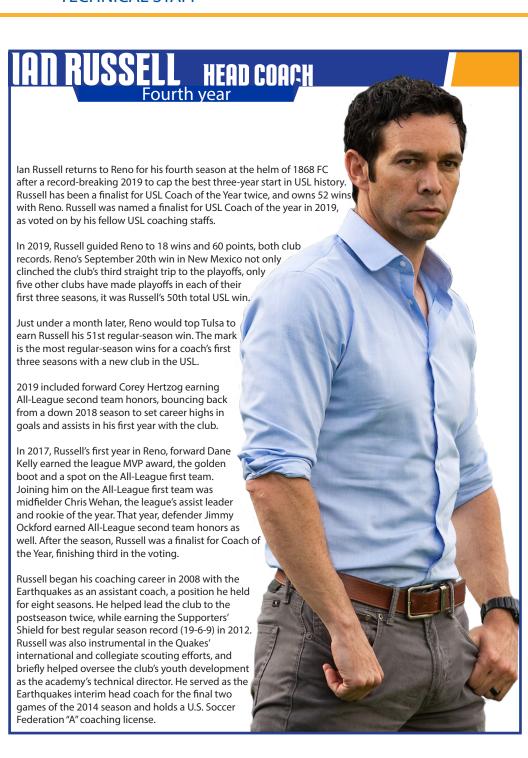
2019 (Reno 1868 FC): Appeared in 11 games, including nine starts ... Tallied one assist on the season in a win over Las Vegas Lights FC ... Earned USL Team of the Week honors for week 32 ... Appeared with Reno's MLS affiliate San Jose Earthquakes on June 26 against the Houston Dynamo ... Started and played 57 minutes in the Quakes' international friendly against Real Valladolid C.F. on July 16.

2018 (Reno 1868 FC): Appeared in 10 games for Reno, starting nine ... Scored one goal on the season awas named to the USL Team of the Week for week 7 ... Made four starts in MLS play with the San Jose Earthquakes after being acquired on a season long loan from Reno on June 9 ... Partida's MLS debut came on June 9 against LAFC.



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