

Philadelphia Union defeated Atlanta United 3-0 in the first leg: Kacper Przybylko (2) and Anthony Fontana at Mercedes-Benz Stadium in Atlanta, Georgia, USA (Apr 27, 2021).

For Philadelphia Union, this was their first win vs. Atlanta United at Mercedes-Benz Stadium.

The last time they met in Philadelphia, Atlanta United lost 1-3 on July 31, 2019. History in Major League Soccer (MLS): 7 games with four wins for Atlanta United (14 goals), 1 for Philadelphia Union (7 goals), and two draws.

Philadelphia Union 2-2 Atlanta United (Roland Alberg and Alejandro Bedoya; Yamil Asad and Tyrone Mears), at Talen Energy Stadium, USA (Aug 26, 2017).

Atlanta United 3-0 Philadelphia Union (Julian Gressel, Josef Martínez, and Jacob Peterson), at the Mercedes-Benz Stadium, USA (Sep 27, 2017).

Atlanta United 3-1 Philadelphia Union (Josef Martínez x3; Fafa Picault), at the Mercedes-Benz Stadium, USA (Jun 3, 2018).

Philadelphia Union 0-2 Atlanta United (Josef Martínez and Héctor Villalba), at Talen Energy Stadium, USA (Jul 7, 2018).

Atlanta United 1-1 Philadelphia Union (Ezequiel Barco; Brenden Aaronson), at Mercedes-Benz Stadium, USA (Mar 17, 2018).

Philadelphia Union 3-1 Atlanta United (Brenden Aaronson, Kacper Przybylko and Sergio Santos; Josef Martínez), at Talen Energy Stadium, USA (Jul 31, 2019).

Atlanta United 2-0 Philadelphia Union (Julian Gressel and Josef Martínez), at Mercedes-Benz Stadium, the USA in the Quarterfinals (Oct 24, 2019).

## FACTS

## **Come Backs at SCCL**

Since 1969, when there was the first difference of 3 goals in a first leg bracket, played a total of 35 series. Only two teams lost the first leg 3-0 and managed to come back in the second leg and qualify for the next round.

1) Game - First Leg [07/29/2009] - Preliminary Round - SCCL 2009-2010 Liberia (CRC) 3-0 Real Espana (HON)

Game - Second Leg [06.08.2009] - Preliminary Round - SCCL 2009-2010 Real Espana (HON) 6-0 Liberia (CRC)

2) Game - First leg [03/17/2015] - 2014-2015 SCCL Semifinal CS Herediano (CRC) 3-0 CF America (MEX) Game - Second Leg [08.04.2015] - SCCL Semifinal 2014-2015 CF America (MEX) 6-0 CS Herediano (CRC)

# PHILADELPHIA UNION

First participation in the SCCL.

SCCL record: GP-3 W-3 D-0 L-0 (GF-8 GA-0). They are the team with the most points (9).

**Coach: Jim Curtin (USA)**, 41 years old. He made his soccer career with Chicago Fire (2001-2007) and Chivas USA (2008-2009). On his big move through the Chicago Fire, he landed the MLS Supporters' Shield 2003 titles, Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup 2003 and 2006. He played 1 SCCL match with Chivas USA vs. Tauros in 2008/09. He has managed Philadelphia Union since 2014, where he was Runner-up in the U.S. Open Cup 2014, 2015, and 2018 and was the winner of the Supporter's Shield in 2020, which granted him the classification to the SCCL 2021. Record as HC in SCCL: J-3 W-3 E-0 P-0 (100% of effectiveness).

## Union does not record penalties shootout in the SCCL or overtime games.

They are the team with the most balls recovered in SCCL 2021 with (65). In addition, Philadelphia Union was the team with the most balls recovered in the Round of 16 games with (35)

## Record in the K.O. stage of SCCL: G-3 W-3 D-0 L-0 (GF-8 GA-0).

SCCL 2021 Scorers: Kacper Przybylko (GER) with 4, Jamiro Monteiro (NED) and Anthony Fontana (USA) with 2.

Assists in SCCL 2021: Jamiro Monteiro (NED) with 2, Olivier Mbaizo (CAM), Kai Wagner (GER), Leon Flach (USA), Kacper Przybylko (GER) and Sergio Santos (BRA) with 1.

2021 SCCL saves: Andre Blake (JAM) with 9.

### **TOP PLAYERS:**

**Kacper Przybylko (GER)** is the top scorer of the SCCL 2021 with (4). He is the player with the most participation in goals (5), the player with the most head goals (2), and with the most goals scored in the second half (3).

**André Blake (JAM)**, the experienced goalkeeper, was one of the outstanding players vs. Atlanta United making seven saves and five clearances.

## ATLANTA UNITED

3rd consecutive participation in the Scotiabank Concacaf Champions League (2019, 2020, and 2021).

### SCCL record: GP-11 W-6 D-1 L-4 (GF-13 GA-13).

**Coach: Gabriel Heinze (ARG)**, 42 years old. As a footballer, he was champion with Paris Saint Germain and Olympique de Marseille (FRA), Manchester United (ENG), Real Madrid (ESP), and Newell's (ARG). Also, he played for Real Valladolid (ESP), Sporting de Lisboa (POR) and AS Roma (ITA). He was a Gold Medalist at the 2004 Athens Olympic Games and played the 2006 and 2010 FIFA World Cups with the Argentina National Team. Before he arrived at Atlanta United, he was the coach of Godoy Cruz, Argentinos Juniors (earned the promotion to the First Division in 2016/17), and Vélez Sarsfield, all from Argentina. Head Coach Record in SCCL: G-3 W-2 D-0 L-1.

#### Top scorers in SCCL: Josef Martíinez (VEN) with five goals.

Players with the most presence in SCCL: Ezequiel Barco (ARG) with 11 games (perfect assist) and Brad Guzan (USA) with 10 games played

Top SCCL Quarterfinal scorers: Josef Martínez (VEN) and Jackson Conway (USA) with one goal.

Top scorers in SCCL 2021: Ezequiel Barco (ARG) and Jürgen Damm with 1 goal.

Assists in SCCL 2021: Ezequiel Barco (ARG) with 1.

Saves in SCCL 2021: (9). Brad Guzan (USA) and Rocco Ríos-Novo (ARG) with 3 and 6 saves, respectively.

### SCCL KO stage record: GP-11 W-6 D-1 L-4 (GF-13 GA-13).

### SCCL away record: G-5 W-1 D-1 L-3 (GF-3 GA-10).

3-1 vs. Herediano (José Ortíz, Rándall Azofeifa and Óscar Granados; Julian Gressel) in R16 of 2019 at the Eladio Rosabal Cordero Stadium, CRC (22 Feb 2019).

3-0 vs. Monterrey (Nicolás Sánchez, Dorlan Pabón and Jesús Gallardo) in QF 2019 at the BBVA Bancomer Stadium, MEX (7 Mar 2019).

1-1 vs. FC Motagua (Roberto Moreira; Josef Martínez), in R16 2020 at the Estadio Olímpico Metropolitano, HON (19 Feb 2020).

3-0 vs. Club América (Leonardo Suárez, Henry Martín and Bruno Valdez), in QF 2020 at the Azteca Stadium, MEX (11 Mar 2020).

0-1 vs. Alajuelense (Ezequiel Barco), in R16 2021 at the Alejandro Morera Soto Stadium, CRC (Apr 13, 2021). His only away win.

Atlanta United has managed to come back once in SCCL:

vs. Herediano, in the Round of 16 of 2019.

- First leg: 1-3 lost away.

- Second leg: 4-0, home win.

- Atlanta United advanced (5-3 on aggregate).

### **TOP PLAYERS:**

**Ezequiel Barco (ARG)** participated in the two goals in this edition (1 goal and an assist). The Argentine, who has played all 11 matches of his team in the SCCL, is one of the players with the most shots (9).

**Santiago Sosa (ARG)** is the player with the most correct passes in SCCL 2021 with 150. The Argentine midfielder had 63 passes vs. Philadelphia Union (97% accurate).