

Tauro FC vs Club León

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|  |  |  | **March 8** |  |  |
|  | **6 PM ET** |
| Tauro |  |  | **Estadio Rommel Fernández** |  | León |

It will be their first-time meeting in the Scotiabank Concacaf Champions League.

Panama and Mexico Teams have played **Twenty-eight** matches in the SCCL ERA. The Mexicans won 19, the Panamanians seven, and two draws.

****Tauro ****

**SCCL APPEARANCES:** 13° (1990, 1991, 1992, 1997, 1998, 2002, 2008/09, 2010/11, 2011/12, 2012/13, 2014/15, 2018, 2023).

**DEBUT:** 1990 (Primera Ronda).

**SCCL RÉCORD (include late Copa de Campeones de Concacaf):** G: 42 W-7 D-9 L-22 (GF-44 GA-82)

**HOME RECORD:** G: 21 W-6 D-3 L-10 (GF-27 GA-34)

**LAST APPEARANCE:** 2018 (Quarter final) defeats FC Dallas.

**BEST FINISH:** 2018 Quarter final.

**SCCL ERA RECORD:** G: 28 W-6 D-5 L-17 (GF-28 GA-48)

**TOP SCORERS SCCL ERA:** Edwin Aguilar (PAN) 7, Brunet Hay (PAN) 5, Luis Moreno (PAN) 4, Luis Rentería (PAN) 2.

**PLAYERS WHO SCORED TWO GOALS IN THE SCCL ERA**: Edwin Aguilar (PAN), Brunet Hay (PAN) x2 and Luis Rentería (PAN).

**PLAYERS WITH THE MOST APPEARANCES IN THE SCCL ERA**: Luis Moreno (PAN) 20, Leonel Parris (PAN) 19, Marcos Sánchez (PAN) 15, Edwin Aguilar (PAN) 14, Jean McLean (PAN) 14, Juan Pérez (PAN) 13), Reniel Herrera (COL) 10.

**HOW DID THEY CLASSIFY FOR SCCL 2023**? Sixth place in SCL 2022.

**ROUND OF 16 APPEARANCES (SCCL ERA**): 2018 (eliminated FC Dallas after drawing 3-3 on aggregate on away goals).

**RECORD IN ROUND OF 16** (SCCL ERA): G-2 W-1 D-0 L-1

In 2018 they faced Club América and were eliminated in the quarterfinals.

**SCORERS IN ROUND OF 16 (SCCL ERA**): Edwin Aguilar (PAN) 2, Jesús González (PAN) 1.

RECORD IN AWAY MATCHES (SCCL ERA): G-4 W-2 D-0 L-2

Tauro FC is the team from Panama with the most appearances in the SCCL with 7.

**TOP PLAYERS**

Gustavo Chara (COL). He played all 4 games in 2018.

**Rolando Botello (PAN**). He has played in three editions of the SCCL 2011 (1 game), 2012 (2), 2018 (3) and in total he has 18 international caps for Tauro FC.

**Omar Brownee (PAN**). He has played with three different teams in the SCCL: 2013/14 with Sporting San Miguelito from Panama (1 Match), 2019 with Independiente from Panama (2 goals in 4 games) and 2020 with AD San Carlos from Costa Rica (1 goal in 2 games).

León 

**SCCL APPEARANCES**: 8 (1976, 1993, 1998, 2014/15, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023).

DEBUT: 1976 (Semifinalist).

**SCCL RECORD** (includes former Concacaf Champions Cup): G: 26 W-9 D-9 L-8 (GF-36 GA-30)

**AWAY RECORD**: G: 14 W-2 D-5 L-7 (GF-11 GA-20).

**LAST APPEARANCE**: Quarterfinals 2022 (eliminated by Seattle Sounders).

**BEST FINISH:**Runner-up in 1993, 3rd place in 1998.

**RECORD IN SCCL ERA**: G: 12 W-5 D-3 L-4 (GF-18 GA-16)

**SCCL ERA SCORERS**: Elías Hernández (MEX) 3, José María Cárdenas (MEX), José Ruiz (MEX), Fernando Navarro (MEX), Yamilson Rivera (COL) 2 goals.

**TOP SCORERS IN SCCL HISTORY**: Milton Queiroz (BRA) 7.

**PLAYERS WHO HAVE SCORED A BRACE IN THE SCCL ERA** (3): José María Cárdenas (MEX), José Ruíz (MEX) and Yamilson Rivera (COL).

**PLAYERS WITH THE MOST CAPS IN THE SCCL ERA**: Fernando Navarro (MEX) 8, Rodolfo Cota (MEX) 8, Jean Meneses (CHI) 8, Luis Montes (MEX) 6, Stiven Barreiro (COL) 6, Víctor Dávila (CHI) 6, William Tesillo (COL) 6, Elias Hernandez (MEX) 6.

**HOW DID THEY CLASSIFY FOR SCCL 2023?** Runner-up in the 2021 Liga MX Torneo Apertura.

**ROUND OF 16 APPEARANCES (SCCL ERA)**: 2020 (eliminated by Los Angeles FC), 2021 (eliminated by Toronto FC), and 2022 (advanced by eliminating Guastatoya from Guatemala).

**ROUND OF 16 RECORD (SCCL ERA**): G-6 W-3 D-2 L-1

**SCORERS IN THE ROUND OF 16 (SCCL ERA**): Elías Hernández (MEX), Fernando Navarro (MEX) 2.

In 1998, in the former Concacaf Champions Cup, they defeated Luis Ángel Firpo (El Salvador) 3-2 on penalty kicks after drawing 1-1 at the Robert F-Kennedy Stadium in Washington, D.C.

**AWAY RECORD (SCCL ERA)**: G-4 W-2 D-1 L-1.

The first time that Club León played in Concacaf Club tournaments was in 1976, debuting with a draw (1-1) vs. CD Águila from El Salvador (Walter Mantegazza; Félix Pineda) in the first leg of the Semifinal at the Cuscatlán stadium (JAN 23, 1977).

In their debut in the competition, Club León advanced to the first two rounds without playing because their two rivals, Toronto Serbian White Eagles (CAN) and Toronto Italia (CAN), withdrew from the tournament.

León was a semifinalist in the Concacaf Champions Cup in 1977, played in the Final Round in the 1993 edition, and finished in 3rd place in 1998.

Since the SCCL format change in 2008/09, they failed to make it past the Round of 16 in 2020 and 2021 and then eliminated in the quarterfinals in 2022.

León was the top team in passes (1088) in the Round 16 of the SCCL (2022). Fidel Ambriz was the passing leader vs. Guastatoya from Guatemala with (115).

**SCCL Most Scored Wins** 4-1 Vs. Isidro Metapán from El Salvador in Group 7 in 2014/15 (José Ruíz x2 and Yamilson Rivera x2), at the Nou Camp de León stadium (OCT-23-2014) 4-0 vs. Real España of Honduras and 4-0 vs. Robinhood of Suriname in the 1993 Concacaf Champions Cup.

**TOP PLAYERS**

**Rodolfo Cota (MEX)**. He did not concede goals in the Round of 16 matches in 2022 and made four saves against Guastatoya from Guatemala. Cota was champion in the SCCL with Pachuca in 2009-10 and with Chivas of Guadalajara in 2018, where he won the Gold Glove Award and was elected to the Best XI of the Tournament.

**Elías Hernández (MEX)** has played in 15 games and scored six goals in the SCCL. He played in 2012/13 with Tigres UANL (4 games and two goals), 2014/15 and 2022 with León (3 goals in 6 games), and 2020 and 2021 with Cruz Azul (5 games and 1 goal)