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| **FACTS** |

* **They will meet for the first time in history and in the Scotiabank Concacaf Champions League , SCCL.**
* **To date, the teams of Guatemala and the United States have met 16 times 16 times in the SCCL, with** 10 wins for the Americans, 2 for the Central Americans and 4 draws.
* The USA teams have not lost in 11 games against the Guatemalans (8W-3D). The only victories of the Guatemalan teams was municipal 2-1 vs Columbus Crew (2010/11 edition) and Heredia 1-0 to San José Earthquakes (in 2013/14).
* **It was 8 years, 5 months and 18 days since the last triumph of a team from Guatemala against one from the United States in SCCL.**  Heredia (GUA) beat (1-0) San José Earthquakes (USA) Group 5 at estadio Cementos Progreso (28-AUG-2013).

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|  | **COMUNICACIONES (GUA)** |

# **Comunicaciones highlights in the history of the SCCL:**

* **Comunicaciones** **debuted in the Concacaf Club Tournament in 1962 against CD Águila (SLV)** at the Estadio Nacional Flor Blanca -today Estadio Mágico González de San Salvador-. Comunicaciones FC drew 1-1 vs. CD Águila SLV (Soto; Guillermo Palomo, Guatemala) scored the first goal of the Tournament in the First Round of the 1962 Concacaf Champions Cup.
* **Comunicaciones was the second and last Guatemalan team to win the Concacaf Champions Cup (1978)** after Municipal (GUA) did so in 1974.
* **With its 7th participation in Concacaf Club tournaments,** Comunicaciones FC becomes the Guatemalan team with the most participations in the SCCL in the new format, surpassing Municipal (6)."
* **Comunicaciones equalized with identical score (1-1) in their last 3 appearances in the SCCL:** (1-1) vs. LA Galaxy USA (Rolando Blackburn; Alan Gordon) D in 2015/16; (1-1) vs. Club América MEX (Gerardo Gordillo; Sebastián Córdova) first leg of the 2020 knockout stages; and (1-1) vs. Club América MEX (Emanuel Aguilera; Agustín Herrera) second leg in 2020.
* **Comunicaciones is undefeated in 6 home games in the SCCL (3W-3D):**
* **Results**: (2-0) vs. Caledonia AIA -TRI- (Jairo Arreola and Francisco Benítez) Group 6 of 2013/14, (5-0) vs. Bayamón FC PUR (Rolando Blackburn x3, Agustín Herrera and Nelson Miranda), (1-1) vs. Club América MEX (Rolando Blackburn; Oribe Peralta) Group 8 in 2014/15, (1-0) vs. Central FC TRI (Wilson Lalín) Group D in 2015/16, (1-1) vs. LA Galaxy USA (Rolando Blackburn; Alan Gordon) Group D in 2015-16, and (1-1) vs. Club América MEX (Gerardo Gordillo; Sebastián Córdova) knockout stages 2020.
* **Comunicaciones FC's last home defeat in the SCCL was in 2013/14 vs. Toluca FC -MEX-** (1-2) (Minor López; Raúl Nava and Juan Carlos Cacho), Group 6, Estadio Cementos Progreso (22-AUG-2013).
* **Rolando Blackburn (PAN) scored comunicaciones FC's last hat-trick in the SCCL,** in a 5-0 win over Bayamón (PUR) in the debut in 2014/15 (7-AUG-2014).
* **None of Comunicaciones FC's 6 draws in the SCCL were goalless.**  The last draw (0-0) was vs. Motagua FC (HON) in the 1st Round of the former 1992 Concacaf Champions Cup.
* **Juan Luis Anangonó (ECU), Comunicaciones forward, won the Golden Ball and Golden Boot (6 goals) in the 2021 Scotiabank Concacaf League after scoring 4 goals and two assists in the final vs. FC Motagua, Anangonó was the top scorer in the 2021 SCCL with 6 goals and 4 assists and became the top scorer in the SCCL finals with (4) goals.**
* **Goalkeeper Kevin Moscoso (GUA), set a record for saves in the SCL 2021 with (34) helping him win the Golden Glove.**
* **Andrés Lezcano (CRC) scored five goals and contributed 3 assists at SCL 2021**. He made his SCCL debut with Carthaginians (CRC) in 2013/14.
* **Oscar Santis (GUA) won the Best Young Player and selected in the** **ideal XI at SCL 2021 and**  scored (one hat-trick) and contributed 2 assists.
* **TOTAL APPEARANCES (includes former Concacaf Champions Cup):** 27th (1962, 1969, 1971, 1973, **1978**, 1980, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1986, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 2002, 2003, 2009/10, 2011/12, 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2020 and 2022).
* **BEST RESULT IN CONCACAF CLUB TOURNAMENT:**  Campeón in 1978 of the former Concacaf Champions Cup where they shared the title with Leones Negros (MEX) and Defence Force (TRI) \* were declared champions due to the fact that the final round of the tournament was not played.
* Runner-up in 1962 and 1969. Since the change of format in 2008/09, their best result was to qualify to the QF in 2009/10.
* **LAST PARTICIPATION:** Knockout stages 2020.
* **SCCL DEBUT ERA:** 2009/10. Debuted with a loss (1-0) vs. Pumas UNAM (Luis Fernando Fuentes), first match of Group D, Estadio Olímpico Universitario (18-AGO-2009).
* **QUALIFICATION METHOD:** 2021 Scotiabank Concacaf League champion with a record of 8 wins, 1 draw and 1 loss in 10 matches.
* **OVERALL RECORD (includes former Concacaf Champions Cup):** GP-128 W-59 D-29 L-40 (GF-217 GA-178). 53.7% effectiveness. \* Unknown result of an away game in 1979.
* **RECORD IN THE SCCL ERA:** GP-28 W-10 D-6 L-12 (GF-35 GA-43). 42.9% effectiveness.
* **HOME RECORD IN SCCL:** GP-69 W-40 D-19 L-10 (GF-146 GA-69). 67.2% EFFECTIVENESS.
* **TOP SCORERS IN THE CHAMPIONS ERA:** Rolando Fonseca (CRC), Rolando Blackburn (PAN) 5 goals, Tránsito Montepeque (GUA) and Rodolfo Suárez (URU) 3 goals.
* **TOP SCORERS IN THE KNOCKOUT STAGES (Champions ERA):** Gerardo Gordillo (GUA) and Agustín Herrera (MEX) vs. Club América (MEX) in 2020.
* **TOP SCORERS PER SEASON Champions ERA (+ 1 goal):** Rolando Fonseca (CRC) with 5 goals in 2009/10, Carlos Mejía (GUA) with 2 in 2011/12, Paolo Suárez (URU) with 3 in 2013/14 and Rolando Blackburn (PAN) with 4 in 2014/15.
* **PLAYERS WITH MOST CHAMPIONS PRESENCES ERA:** Jean Márquez (GUA) 17, Rigoberto Gómez (GUA) and Carlos Castrillo (GUA) 16.
* **HAT-TRICKS IN THE SCCL Champions ERA (2):** Rodolfo Suárez (URU) and Rolando Blackburn (PAN).
* **BRACES IN SCCL Champions ERA (1):** Rolando Fonseca (CRC).
* **LAST DOUBLE IN SCCL:** Rolando Fonseca (CRC) vs. Real España (HON) victory (2-0) Group D, (17/SEP-2009).
* **YOUNGEST CHAMPIONS SCORER ERA:** Marvin Ceballos (GUA) at 19 years, 4 months and 3 days in the win (2-0) vs. Herediano (CRC) Group D, (24/AGO/2011).
* **OLDEST SCORER IN SCCL:** Rolando Fonseca (CRC) at 35 years, 9 months and 11 days in defeat (2-1) vs. Pachuca (MEX) 4th final (17-MAR-2010).
* **WINS WITH MOST GOALS IN FAVOR:** (5-0) vs. Bayamón -PUR- (Rolando Blackburn x3, Agustín Herrera and Nelson Miranda) Group 8, Estadio Cementos Progreso (7-AUG-2014) and (15-0) vs. real Estelí (NCA) in the 1991 Concacaf Cup Winners' Cup, 10-0 vs. Diriangén (NCA) in the 1971 Champions Cup.
* **DEFEAT WITH MOST GOALS AGAINST: (**5-0) vs. CD Guadalajara MEX (962 Concacaf Champions Cup), 5-0 vs. Cruz Azul MEX (1997 Champions and Runners-up) and 5-0 vs. Cruz Azul MEX (1997 Champions and Runners-up) and 5-0 vs. Cruz Azul MEX (1997 Champions and Runners-up) and 5-0 vs. Los Angeles Galaxy USA (2015/16 Scotiabank Concacaf Champions League).
* **DEFINITIONS BY SCCL** PENALTIES**:** (1). **WON:** 0.  **LOST:** 1. Defeat (5-3) vs. Club América (MEX) in the 2020 knockout stages (2-2 on aggregate).
* **Has scored goals in 22 matches, in 6 games failed to score, in 8 did not concede goals and received goals in 20 games.**
* **RECORD IN THE FIRST LEG OF PHASE KO IN SCCL ERA:** GP-2 W-0 D-2 L-0. 33.3% EFFECTIVENESS.

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|  | **COLORADO RAPIDS (USA)** |

# **Highlights of COLORADO RAPIDS in the history of the SCCL:**

* **Colorado Rapids will play for the 4th time in the SCCL. The last one was in 2018.**
* The American team scored 75% of its goals in 2011/12 (9).
* Scored no goals in 2018 (fell 0-2 and drew 0-0 vs. Toronto FC -CAN- in the knockout stages).
* **Their only clean sheet in the SCCL were in their first and last appearance in the history of the competition 20 years apart:** triumph (1-0) vs. Club León MEX (Marcelo Balboa) in the Third Round of the 1998 Champions Cup, Estadio Mile High Stadium in Denver (28-JUN-1998); and 0-0 vs. Toronto FC CAN in the knockout stages in 2018) Toronto's BMO Field Stadium (FEB 27, 2018). In addition, this was their only goalless draw in the tournament.
* **The 12 goals scored in sccl history were scored by players** (United States, Jamaica and Senegal).
* **Will face for the first time a rival from Guatemala in SCCL, before he did it against teams from** Mexico (León and Santos Laguna), El Salvador (Isidro Metapán), Honduras (Real España) and Canada (Toronto FC).
* **Has 3 games without winning or scoring goals in SCCL:** defeats 2-0 vs. Santos Laguna MEX (Group B - 2011/12), and 0-2 and 0-0 vs. Toronto FC CAN (knockout - 2018).
* **Their last 2 SCCL wins were against the same opponent: Isidro Metapán (SLV)** Group B in 2011/12: 3-2 (Macoumba Kandji x2 and Andre Akpan; Allan Kardeck and Rodolfo Suárez) and 1-3 (Alfredo Pacheco; Edward Ababio, Quincy Amarikwa and Omar Cummings).
* **Their only away win was (1-3) vs.**  **Isidro Metapán SLV** (Alfredo Pacheco; Edward Ababio, Quincy Amarikwa and Omar Cummings) Group B, 2011/12-
* **In the 1998 Champions Cup, they played their first international tournament, facing León de México in** the preliminary phase where he was eliminated with an aggregate score of 3-4 (June 28 and July 15, 1998).
* **Michael Barrios (COL) was the team's leading scorer in Major League Soccer (MLS) 2021, with 8 goals in 34 appearances.** The Colombian striker will make 10 appearances in the SCCL (he previously played 9 with FC Dallas in 2016/17 and 2018 and scored 2 goals vs. Árabe Unido PAN and Real Estelí NCA).
* **Jonathan Lewis (USA) scored 7 goals in 28 MLS 2021 games with Colorado Rapids.**  The Atlanta-born midfielder, who has no presence in international matches at club level, was champion of the 2021 Concacaf Gold Cup with the United States.
* **Jack Price (ENG)** contributed 12 assists in 31 appearances for the Colorado Rapids in the 2021 MLS**.**  **He played two games in the Colorado Rapids' last appearance in 2018.**
* **TOTAL APPEARANCES (includes Concacaf Champions Cup):** 4th (1998, 2011/12, 2018 and 2022).
* **BEST RESULT:** ScCL 2018 knockout stage.
* **SCCL DEBUT:** Third Round of the 1998 Concacaf Champions' Cup. It began with a 1-0 win vs. Club León MEX (Marcelo Balboa) in the Third Round of the contest, at the Estadio Mile High Stadium in Denver (28-JUN-1998)
* **DEBUT IN THE SCCL ERA:** in 2011/12, with a win (3-2) vs. Isidro Metapán -SLV- (Macoumba Kandji x2 and Andre Akpan; Allan Santos and Rodolfo Suárez) Group B, Dick's Sporting Goods Park (17-AUG-2011).
* **QUALIFICATION METHOD:** Champion of the Regular Season of the Western Conference of the MLS (Major League Soccer).
* **OVERALL RECORD (includes former Concacaf Champions Cup):** GP-10 W-3 D-2 L-5 (GF-12 GA-18). 36.7% effectiveness.
* **RECORD IN SCCL ERA:** GP-8 W-2 D-2 L-4 (GF-9 GA-14). 33.3% effectiveness.
* **AWAY RECORD IN SCCL:** GP-5 W-1 D-2 L-2 (GF-6 GA-8). 33.3% effectiveness.
* **TOP SCORERS IN THE CHAMPIONS ERA:** Macoumba Kandji (SEN) and Andre Akpan (USA) 2 goals.
* **TOP SCORERS PER SEASON:** Marcelo Balboa (USA), Stephen Trittschuh (USA) and Paul Bravo (USA) 1 goal in 1998; Macoumba Kandji (SEN) and Andre Akpan (USA) in 2011/12 with 2 goals.
* **PLAYERS WITH THE MOST APPEARANCES:** Scott Palguta (USA) and Wells Thompson (USA) 6.
* **SCCL BRACES (1):** Macoumba Kandji (SEN) in 3-2 win vs. Isidro Metapán SLV Group B, Dick's Sporting Goods Park (17-AUG-2011).
* **LAST BRACE IN SCCL:** Macoumba Kandji (SEN) in the 3-2 win vs. Isidro Metapán SLV Group B, Dick's Sporting Goods Park (17-AUG-2011).
* **YOUNGEST SCORER Champions ERA:** André Akpan (USA) with 23 years, 8 months and 9 days, 3-2 victory vs. Isidro Metapán SLV Group B, Dick's Sporting Goods Park (17-AUG-2011).
* **OLDEST CHAMPIONS LEAGUE GOALSCORER ERA:** Brian Mullan (USA) with 33 years, 4 months and 22 days in the 1-4 defeat vs. Santos Laguna (MEX) Group B, Dick's Sporting Goods Park (14-SEP-2011).
* **DEFEAT WITH MOST GOALS AGAINST:** 1-4 vs. Santos Laguna (MEX) Group B SCCL 2011/12.
* **RECORD IN SCCL'S KO PHASE FIRST LEG GAMES:** GP-2 W-1 D-0 L-1. 50% efficiency.