SATURDAY, MAY 28TH 2:00PM | VIRTUE FIELD

# VERMONT GREEN FOOTBALL CLUB



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# **SCHEDULE & RESULTS**

Date	Time	Result	Club	Location
Sun May 15	6:00 PM	W 4-0	at Boston City FC	Lawrence, MA
Sun May 22	2:00 PM	L 1-0	at Seacoast United Phantoms	Epping, NH
Sat May 28	2:00 PM		Black Rock FC	Burlington, VT
Sat Jun 4	6:00 PM		Seacoast United Phantoms	Burlington, VT
Sat Jun 11	4:00 PM		@ Boston Bolts	Newton, MA
Sat Jun 18	4:00 PM		Boston Bolts	Burlington, VT
Wed Jun 22	7:00 PM		@ AC Connecticut	Newtown, MA
Sat Jun 25	6:30 PM		@ Western Mass Pioneers	Ludlow, MA
Tue Jun 28	7:00 PM		Blackwatch Rush	Burlington, VT
Sat Jul 2	2:00 PM		Boston City FC	Burlington, VT
Wed Jul 6	4:00 PM		@ Black Rock FC	Lake Placid, NY
Sun Jul 10	7:00 PM		@ Blackwatch Rush	Albany, NY
Wed Jul 13	7:00 PM		Pathfinder FC	Burlington, VT
Sun Jul 17	6:00 PM		Western Mass Pioneers	Burlington, VT

# **ROSTER**

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0	Owen	Greene		GK	19	Vandame	Ndayisenga	Nuh-day-i-senga	М
1	Nathan	Schnur		GK	20	Reuben	Ayarna		М
2	Carter	Beaulieu	Carter BOE-lee-uh	D	21	Garrett	Lille		D
3	Charlie	Adams		М	22	Rodrigo	Ferreira	Rod-ree-go Feh-ray-ra	М
4	Henry	Hylbert	Henry Hill-burt	D	23	Mark	Oneil		D
5	Miguel	Ventura	Mee-gell Ven-too-ra	D	24	Joey	Morrison		М
6	Daniel	Pacella	Puh-chell-uh	М	25	Jake	Ashford		D
7	Diba	Nwegbo	Dee-ba Nwehg-bo	F	26	Rida	Kori	Ree-da Kore-ee	М
8	Alfredo	Bozalongo		М	27	Riley	Urie	Ry-lee Yer-ree	F
9	Eythor	Bjorgolfsson	Eye-tore Byor-Golf-Sun	F	28	Chance	Therrien		М
10	Bilal	Kamal	Bih-lal Kuh-mal	М	29	Matthew	Goncalves	Gon-sahl-vez	F
11	Nathan	Messer		М	30	Jack	Cloherty		М
12	Owen	O'Malley		D	31	Ekrem	Hadzic	Hadg-ich	D
13	Brage	Aasen	Brah-gee Oh-sen	М	32	Karl	Daly		D
14	Dakota	Jonke	Dakota Yon-kee	F	33	Louis	Gazo	Louis Gay-zo	М
15	Sam	McCann		F	34	Dasheil	Vermilya	Ver-mil-ya	D
16	Oliver	Martin		М	35	Noah	Elmore		D
17	Ryan	Combe		М	77	Nathan	Silvera	Sil-vay-ra	GK
18	Nolan	Jimmo		М	91	Nicholas	Christoffersen		GK

# **ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE MISSION**

The Club is prioritizing five goals in pursuit of our environmental justice mission in the first season and beyond.

More details on these goals can be found on our website, <a href="https://www.vermontgreenfc.com/mission">www.vermontgreenfc.com/mission</a>.

#### **Net Zero**

We will become a net zero club following Science Based Targets (SBTi) initiative standard. Net zero targets will follow climate science-based requirements and environmental justice principles.

## **Fight Systemic Racism**

We will stand up to systemic racism in soccer and beyond. We are working with the Anti Racist Soccer Club on a 10 point plan to advance anti-racist actions and behaviors at the club and in the community.

## 1% for the Planet

We have committed to donating 1% of our annual net sales to non-profits working on behalf of the environment.

## **Purpose-driven Merchandise**

We source merchandise that satisfies the highest standards of environmental stewardship and social responsibility. We are also building a program that will allow our supporters to participate in the circular economy.

## **Educate and Advocate**

It all starts here. We are using our platform to raise awareness of and advocate for ways we can collectively transform our society through the lens of environmental justice.

# **Becoming a Climate Hero Raffle**

Climate change can feel overwhelming, but did you know each of us can be a superhero? Small steps together lead to super human action! Join us in activating your inner T'Challa and take the #VGFCClimateHero challenge. It only takes five minutes!

### **How to Enter**

**Step 1:** Use the free <u>ClimateHero</u> carbon calculator tool to learn immediate actions you can take to reduce your carbon footprint.

Step 2: Share one pledge you will take immediate action on by posting your pledge on social media, using the hashtag #VGFCClimateHero.

Step 3: We will share your post on our social channels and select a random winner who will receive a **Vermont Green FC sustainable summer scarf made** of recycled sea plastic and two tickets to a home game.

Step 4: The winner will be announced on social media Wednesday, June 1st. You will be tagged in the announcement and will receive a direct message from the club to your account.

Post on Twitter, Instagram, or Facebook.

## The Science is Clear

According to the global scientific consensus, we must halve global emissions by 2030 and achieve net zero emissions by 2050, meaning all carbon pollution humans emit is balanced by an equivalent amount of carbon pollution being removed from the atmosphere. This gives us the best chance to keep global warming below 1.5°C, the tipping point scientists say we must stay under to avoid the worst case scenarios of climate change. This means that the average world citizen must cut their carbon footprint to 2.3 tonnes by 2030 and zero by 2050.

The average American emits around 16 tonnes of carbon pollution each year. In contrast, the average Somalian emits less than half a tonne of emissions annually. And although Vermont isn't immune to the effects of climate change, other parts of the world are getting hit first and worst. Many of these places, like Somalia, lack the resources to adapt to the growing crisis conditions. And when it comes to our climate, we're all neighbors, and neighbors help each other out.

# Fundraiser to Expand Access to Soccer and Equitable Play in Vermont

**Juba Star Football Club**, an affiliate of the non-profit Somali Bantu Community Association of Vermont, works to expand access to soccer and equitable play in the state. They've built a remarkable community asset through the beautiful game and are seeking help to finance their operations this season. We are partnering with them to raise money to fund their participation in the Louisville International Outdoor Cup, a Somali-led tournament hosting top talent from around the country.





Please join us in supporting this fantastic organization that continues to make our communities more inclusive, safe, and comfortable for historically underrepresented Vermonters. Soccer is a powerful platform to advance their mission, as it provides a space where anyone can thrive, no matter their socioeconomic status, ethnicity, or nationality. Help us thrive together! Click the GoFundMe link below and donate whatever you can! We appreciate you



In addition to the online fundraiser, Vermont Green FC is hosting an **exhibition match against Juba Star FC on June 12 at 7pm at UVM's Virtue Field.** Tickets will be available for purchase and part of the proceeds will go to the Juba Stars organization.

# **COMMUNITY PARTNERS**



# ANTIRACIST SOCCER CLUB



#### **King Street Center**

Vermont Green Football Club is partnering with King Street Center to make matches more accessible and inviting to historically marginalized communities. The program is focused on building community ties between Vermont Green Football Club players and King Street Center youth and families. Players will join King Street Center youth each week to engage in soccer activities and discuss their path toward playing soccer at the highest levels. Vermont Green will host King Street Center youth at weekly practices and donate free tickets through its "Spread the Love" initiative so they can attend home games throughout the season. Players, staff, and youth will also spend time focusing on how soccer can be a powerful catalyst for a more environmentally sustainable and socially just world.

#### Juba Star FC

We are partnering with Juba Star Football Club to expand access to soccer and work towards equitable play in the state. Juba Star FC is a Somali Bantu-led organization that has operated in the state since 2006. The organization was established to provide a safe space for the growth and development of former refugee and immigrant youth in Vermont. The organization runs free soccer clubs for youth and adults, ages 14 and older, and provides assistance with transportation to games and practices, and mentorship for youth.

#### **Anti Racist Soccer Club**

Anti-Racist Soccer Club is a coalition of players, clubs, and experts fighting racism in American soccer. The ARSC membership is open to teams and leagues at the professional and youth levels, supporter groups, and any other soccer-affiliated organization. ARSC works with interested parties to develop a ten-point plan anti-racism framework that is unique to that community. ARSC monitors and evaluates member plans to ensure accountability.

## **COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT**

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State Median Family Income (MFI), or at or below 120% MFI if you identify as belonging to a Black, Indigenous, Person of Color (BIPOC) household, New American, or single parent household you are eligible. All are welcome to community webinars.

Apply online at GreenSavingSmart.org

#### **Monthly Income Eligibility**

Family Size	1	2	3	4
80% MFI	\$3,925.00	\$4,483.33	\$5,045.83	\$5,608.33
120% MFI	\$5,887.50	\$6,725.00	\$7,568.75	\$8,412.50

For families over 5 people and for annual income eligibility, go to the GreenSavingSmart website.



# Check out GreenSavingSmart.org



Vermont Community Action Agencies have come together to offer income eligible residents Financial & Energy Coaching











#### Financial & Energy Coaches

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Not sure who to reach out to or have additional questions? Email Kelsey Gibb at kgibb@capstonevt.org

## **TICKET POLICY**

This ticket is a revocable license, and the holder of this ticket voluntarily assumes all risks and dangers incidental to attendance at this event, whether occurring before, during or after the game. This ticket may be taken, and admission refused upon refunding the purchase price appearing thereon. This ticket will not be replaced if stolen or destroyed. It is understood that the license granted by this ticket for the purpose of viewing the game only as an eyewitness. Vermont Green FC further reserves the right to eject and prosecute any person whose conduct is deemed unbecoming (E.G., throwing objects, abusive or vulgar language). The consumption and/or possession of intoxicating beverages at this contest, outside designated areas is prohibited. Violators will be ejected without refund. All carried items will be searched upon entry, and entrants themselves are subject to search. Ticketholder expressly grants Vermont Green FC permission to use holder's image in connection with any live or recorded transmission, reproduction, or publication of this event. Tickets obtained from sources other than Vermont Green FC may be lost, stolen or counterfeit ticket and in such cases will not be honored. Any person buying tickets from other sources does so at his/her own risk. Individuals ages 5 and older must have a ticket. Children ages 4 and under are admitted free of charge. Unless specifically authorized in advance by Vermont Green FC, this ticket may not be offered as a prize in a sweepstakes or contest. Date and time are subject to change. No refunds or exchanges.