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# SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Date	Time	Result	Club	Location
Sun May 15	6:00 PM	W 4-0	@ Boston City FC	Lawrence, MA
Sun May 22	2:00 PM	L 0-1	@ Seacoast United Phantoms	Epping, NH
Sat May 28	2:00 PM	W 4-1	Black Rock FC	Burlington, VT
Sat Jun 4	6:00 PM	L 1-2	Seacoast United Phantoms	Burlington, VT
Sat Jun 11	4:00 PM	T 1-1	@ Boston Bolts	Newton, MA
Sun Jun 12	7:00 PM	W 3-0	Juba Star FC	Burlington, VT
Sat Jun 18	4:00 PM	W 2-0	Boston Bolts	Burlington, VT
Wed Jun 22	7:00 PM	W 6-4	@ AC Connecticut	Newtown, MA
Sat Jun 25	6:30 PM	L 2-3	@ Western Mass Pioneers	Ludlow, MA
Tue Jun 28	7:00 PM	W 3-0	Blackwatch Rush	Burlington, VT
Sat Jul 2	2:00 PM	W 3-1	Boston City FC	Burlington, VT
Wed Jul 6	4:00 PM	L 0-1	@ Black Rock FC	Lake Placid, NY
Sun Jul 10	7:00 PM	W 3-0	@ Blackwatch Rush	Albany, NY
Wed Jul 13	7:00 PM	W 8-0	Pathfinder FC	Burlington, VT
Sun Jul 17	6:00 PM		Western Mass Pioneers	Burlington, VT

# ROSTER



*Get To Know The Squad!*



# LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT



Vermont Green FC acknowledges we are playing home games on land that is part of the legacies and trauma of indigenous dispossession. We are guests on this land, which has served as a site of meeting and exchange among indigenous peoples for thousands of years and is home to the Western Abenaki People.

# HONORING AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY



Vermont Green FC is playing *Lift Every Voice and Sing*, often referred to as “The Black National Anthem,” today to celebrate African American freedom and achievement and respect for all cultures. The Club started this tradition to honor Juneteenth - the effective end of slavery in the United States - and will continue honoring our shared history for the rest of the season. The hymn was written as a poem by NAACP leader James Weldon Johnson in 1900. His brother, John Rosamond Johnson (1873-1954), composed the music for the lyrics. At the turn of the 20th century, Johnson’s lyrics eloquently captured the solemn yet hopeful appeal for the liberty of Black Americans and was later adopted by NAACP and prominently used as a rallying cry during the Civil Rights Movement of the 1950s and 1960s. To learn more about the history of *Lift Every Voice and Sing*, visit [NAACP’s](#) website.



# 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,  
[www.vermontgreenfc.com/mission](http://www.vermontgreenfc.com/mission).

## 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.


# FUNDRAISER SUCCESS!

## EXPANDING 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. We partnered 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.



**We are overjoyed to announce we achieved our fundraising goal of \$8,000 to support the operations of 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. **Thank you to everyone who supported this initiative!** We appreciate you 

In addition to the online fundraiser, Vermont Green FC hosted an [exhibition match](#) against **Juba Star FC on June 12 at UVM's Virtue Field**. Part of ticket proceeds were donated to the fundraiser.



# COMMUNITY PARTNERS



**ANTI RACIST  
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:

## *King Street Center*



Vermont Green Football Club is partnering with King Street Center this season to help the club make matches more accessible and inviting to historically marginalized communities, and to build community ties between Vermont Green players and King Street Center youth and families. The Club worked with King Street Center throughout the season to engage youth in enriching activities centered around soccer and climate justice, including an [art activity](#) focused on climate justice solutions, and a [solar energy 'career day'](#) with Vermont Green Title Sponsor, SunCommon.

Young people benefit from seeing a reflection of themselves in the adults and community members they interact with, inspiring healthier, positive perspectives for what is possible for their future. The Club is host to a diverse roster of players from Vermont, around the country and world, providing such an opportunity for teens. Vermont Green players also have unique stories and experiences that highlight values and characteristics essential for personal growth, professional success, and civic engagement, including fair play, cooperation, and empathy of and acceptance of others. These values are also at the center of the Club's mission to normalize environmental justice in soccer and in its home state.

King Street Center is an important pillar in our community, supporting underrepresented Vermonters and making Burlington a more inclusive and vibrant place to live. We highly encourage fans to support their work financially and by volunteering. For more information, visit [www.kingstreetcenter.org](http://www.kingstreetcenter.org), call (802) 862-6736.





**We proudly support the**

**KING STREET CENTER  
SUMMER RAFFLE**

**Drawing: Wednesday, July 20th!**



The 2022 King Street Center Summer Raffle features over \$10,000 worth of prizes and your raffle ticket purchase will support King Street Center kids' academic success and summer adventures.

**[VIEW PRIZES AND PURCHASE RAFFLE TICKETS!](#)**

# 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.