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2025

# Vermont Green

TAKE ON  
BALLARD FC

VIRTUE FIELD  
VERMONT

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# DEAR FANS,

As we enter the biggest night in Vermont Green FC's young history, we want to take a moment to reflect on everything that has brought us to this point.

This season has been unforgettable. From the *Miracle at Lusitano*, to roaring comebacks at Virtue Field, to the pressure of penalties and the joy of extra-time winners, we've watched something truly special unfold. But more than the results, it's the character and heart of this team that fills us with pride. What you see on matchday is only part of the story. These players and staff show up every single day with a commitment to each other and to this community. They train with purpose. They compete with joy. They fight for the badge with everything they have.

And because of you, they are never alone.

To our supporters: thank you. You have constantly filled our stadium and our hearts. You've sold out playoff matches in seconds. You've been patient, understanding, and relentless in your support. You've sent kind words, brought energy to every corner of Virtue Field, and created an atmosphere unlike anything we've ever seen.

We will never forget the feeling of this past Sunday. The sun setting low behind the trees, casting gold over the mountains. A strong, resilient team standing on the field, surrounded on every side. Fans packed into the grandstand. Others perched on the hillside on blankets, chairs, and old couches. Some perched on top of their cars. A few even brought ladders from home to get a better view. Everywhere we looked, we saw people who cared. People who believed. People who made this moment possible.

That image will stay with us forever.

Your support lifts us. It humbles us. And it inspires us to be better. We are working every day to grow this club, to expand access, and to better serve the community that has supported this movement from the ground up. We know there have been challenges and growing pains along the way, and we continue to do everything we can to build something worthy of the love you have shown us.

Thank you for standing with us. Thank you for dreaming with us. We're not done yet.

**WITH LOVE,**

Vermont  
Green FC



# THE GREEN DRAMATICALLY DOWN DOTHAN IN THE NATIONAL SEMIFINAL



Over 4,000 fans were on hand at Virtue Field on Sunday night to witness Vermont Green FC book their place in the USL League Two Final, defeating Dothan United 4-2 on penalties after a grueling 120-minute scoreless draw.

It was a cagey first half, with both teams testing each other but few clear chances. Vermont controlled much of the second half and extra time, pushing hard for a breakthrough, but Dothan's defense held firm under pressure.

Chris Taylor once again trusted his full squad, rotating players after Friday night's semifinal win. Niklas Herceg started in goal behind the rock-solid pairing of Moussa Ndiaye and Brandon Marshall. Nathan Simeon and Victor Akoum lined up at fullback, with Diego Rived and Ryan Zellefrow holding it down in midfield. Brandon Parrish, Zach Zengue, and David Ajagbe supported Arnaud Tattevin in attack. Substitutes Alex Hall, Julien Le Bourdoulous, Eskil Gjerde, Maxi Kissel, Gabe Fernandez, and Owen O'Malley all came on to help tilt the game.

Despite Vermont's dominance in possession and territory, the breakthrough never came. The match headed into the first shootout in the men's team's history.

Zach Zengue's opening attempt sailed just high, but he didn't hang his head — and neither did his teammates. Herceg stepped up immediately, saving Dothan's first shot with a low dive to his left. From there, Hall, Le Bourdoulous, and Kissel all converted confidently. Herceg came up huge again in the fourth round, diving right to deny Dothan's Joshua Salas and bring Virtue Field to life.

That left it to Owen O'Malley. The midfielder stepped to the spot, took a breath, and rolled it right up the middle. Game over.



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#12 OWEN O'MALLEY

# RULES & GUIDELINES

## Safety & Accessibility

Please keep all aisles and bleacher walkways clear at all times.

No standing against the fence except in the designated section on the left side.

If an alarm sounds, stay where you are and wait for instructions.

## Fan Conduct

Be kind and courteous—make space for others on the bleachers.

Respect your neighbors, referees, players, and opposing fans.

Avoid foul, sexist, racist, or abusive language or gestures.

No fighting or throwing objects onto the field.

Please do not enter the field at any time during the match. *If the game goes into overtime, it will consist of two 15-minute halves with no golden goal. Wait for the conclusion of the trophy ceremony to celebrate with the players on the pitch.*

## Leave No Trace

Dispose of trash properly—don't leave anything behind.

Use the waste stations and do your part to keep the stadium clean.

## LOST CHILD OR MISSING PERSON?

Go to the *Merch Tent* or *Press Box* immediately so our staff can assist right away.

## FOUND A LOST ITEM?

Turn it in at the *Merch Tent* or *Press Box*.

## CHILDREN MUST STAY WITH AN ADULT.

No one under 18 will be allowed to exit the stadium alone.

## SEE SOMETHING CONCERNING?

Report issues (safety concerns, inappropriate behavior, or medical needs) to staff, security, or public safety personnel immediately.

**PLEASE BE SURE TO FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS OF ALL EVENT STAFF, SECURITY, AND PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL AT ALL TIMES.**

# MATCHDAY ESSENTIALS



# ROSTER

Player Name	#	Position	Hometown	College
Niklas Herceg	1	GK	Alsdorf, Germany	University of Vermont
Brandon Marshall	2	D	Wake Forest, NC	Providence College
Luca Costabile	3	D	Copenhagen, Denmark	University of Maryland
Amoni Thomas	4	D	Edmonton, Canada	Wake Forest
Moussa Ndiaye	5	D, M	Dakar, Senegal	Virginia Commonwealth
Julien Le Bourdoulous	6	M	Quemperven, France	UNC Greensboro
Brandon Parrish	7	M	Nashville, TN	Clemson University
Jacob Labovitz	8	F	Fairfax, VA	Virginia Tech
Tyler Trimnal	9	F	Lancaster, SC	University of South Carolina
Ask Ekeland	10	M, F	Stavanger, Norway	Boston College
David Ajagbe	11	F	British Columbia, Canada	Ohio State University
Owen O'Malley	12	D, M, F	Cary, NC	Creighton University
Rui Aoki	13	D	Hyogo, Japan	University of Vermont
Enzo Dovlo	14	F	Strasbourg, France	UNC Greensboro
Eskil Gjerde	15	M	Bjoa, Norway	Drake University
Diego Rived	16	M	Zaragoza, Spain	Boston University
Ioannis Vassiliou	17	D	Frankfurt, Germany	University of Vermont
Marcell Papp	18	F	Budapest, Hungary	University of Vermont
Zachary Zengue	19	M, F	North Oaks, MN	Georgetown
Pearse O'Brien	20	M	West Hartford, CT	Providence College
Joseph Umberto Picotto	21	M	Turin, Italy	University of Maryland
Judewellin Michel	22	GK	Montreal, Quebec	Indiana University
Nathan Simeon	23	D	Montreal, Quebec	Univeristy of Vermont
Alexander Hall	24	M, F	Renton, WA	University of Washington
Romme Jaridly	25	F	Chino Hills, CA	San Diego State
Arnaud Tattevin	26	F	Rennes, France	UNC Greensboro
Ryan Zellefrow	27	M	Berwyn, PA	University of Vermont
Ayoub Lajhar	28	D, M	Dernah, Libya	University of Connecticut
Gianluca Armellino	29	M, F	Milford, CT	University of Vermont
Ian Abbey	30	M, F	Elmer, NJ	Providence College
Tenzing Manske	31	GK	Santa Fe, NM	Georgetown
Leon Brody	33	GK	Candiac, Quebec	Middlebury
Mohammed Ibrahim	34	M, F	Cape Coast, Ghana	Virginia Commonwealth
Will Sawin	35	F	Stonington, CT	Middlebury
Bernardo Prego	42	D	Evora, Portugal	Providence College
Victor Akoum	43	D	Edmonton, Canada	Indiana University
Gabriel Fernandez	44	D, M	Port Orchard, WA	University of Washington
Sam McCann	45	F	Stamford, CT	Sacred Heart University
Maximilian Kissel	47	F	Wiesbaden, Germany	University of Vermont
Stephane Njike	77	F	Strasbourg, France	Marshall

# COACH'S CORNER

**In his first season at the helm, Chris Taylor has managed to lead Vermont Green FC to unprecedented heights. He has guided our club to its first-ever undefeated season, a Northeast Division title, an Eastern Conference championship, and now a shot at the USL League Two national title. A Liverpool native and longtime member of the Vermont Green coaching staff, Taylor took over as Head Coach ahead of the 2025 season after serving as Assistant since the club's inaugural year. With the help of a talented and dedicated staff, he has instilled a clear identity: fearless, high-energy, possession-based soccer that's as entertaining as it is effective.**

**Taylor's journey to this moment began in the youth systems of Liverpool FC, Wrexham, Tranmere Rovers, and Accrington Stanley before crossing the Atlantic to play college soccer at Plattsburgh State. While there he became a four-time All-SUNYAC selection and the program's all-time assist leader. After a decorated playing career, he quickly transitioned to coaching, first as an assistant at Plattsburgh and Vassar, then as Head Coach at Clarkson. In 2018, he returned to Plattsburgh as Head Coach, where he continues to lead the Cardinals.**

**Alongside his collegiate success, Taylor has played a crucial role in building Vermont Green FC's on-field identity from day one. His leadership style blends deep tactical understanding with a calm, steady presence—qualities that have helped guide the club through a historic season.**





**ADAM PFEIFER**  
Sporting Director



**CHRIS TAYLOR**  
Head Coach



**LEE WILLIAMSON**  
Assistant Coach



**JED SASS**  
Assistant Coach



**ROBERT EMMETT**  
Goalkeeper Coach



**HANNAH TREMEL**  
Athletic Trainer



**MAHDER TEFERRA**  
Matchday Lead



**ALLISON OUELLETTE**  
Digital Media



**CARTER FRANCISKOVICH**  
Merchandise



**LEON BRODY**  
Merchandise



**JAKE LUCARELLI**  
Ticketing



**AINSLEY HUBBARD**  
Ticketing

# SUPPORT STAFF

Vermont Green is powered by a passionate and diverse crew, from our founders and front office to interns, coaches, broadcasters, and announcers. Every person plays a vital role in shaping the matchday experience and sustaining the spirit of the club throughout the season. It's a true team effort, driven by collaboration, creativity, and a shared commitment to the game and the community we're proud to represent.



**PATRICK MCCORMACK**  
*Photographer*



**SPENSER POWELL**  
*Photographer*



**JOSH WALLACE**  
*Photographer*



**BRIAN MCLAUGHLIN**  
*Play-By-Play*



**MATT MONTIEL**  
*Color Commentator*



**TOM MIENKA PROCTOR**  
*Announcer*

## RETURN VOLUNTEERS

A special thank you to Lowel, Santi, Ian, Nian, and Don, dedicated volunteers who have been with us for years. From ticketing and statistics to crowd management and pitch or team support, their behind-the-scenes work is essential to keeping the club running smoothly. We're truly grateful to have them as part of the Vermont Green family.



# OPPONENT PROFILE

*Seattle, Washington | Northwest Division | Interbay Stadium  
Nickname: The Bridges | Founded: December 1, 2021*

Ballard FC is a competitive and rapidly rising club in USL League Two, based in Seattle, Washington. The club is known for its community-first identity and rooted in the Ballard neighborhood of Seattle.

Founded in late 2021, the club began play in the 2022 season and quickly established itself as a contender. In their inaugural season, Ballard finished second in the Northwest Division and advanced to the Western Conference Final. They followed that strong debut with an even more successful 2023 campaign, winning the Northwest Division and capturing the USL League Two national championship with a dramatic 2-1 win over Lionsbridge FC. That same season, defender Lesia Thetsane was named to the league's Team of the Year, and forward Stas Korzeniowski earned Northwest Division Player of the Year honors. Ballard FC has maintained its competitive edge in the seasons that followed, finishing first in the Northwest Division in both 2024 and 2025.

Founded by former MLS player Lamar Neagle alongside Chris Kaimmer and Sam Zisette, the club has drawn attention for its strong community presence and branding. The crest features the Ballard Bridge and a sunset, and their jerseys often include artistic collaborations with Seattle-based muralists.

The club shares its stadium with its affiliated women's team, Salmon Bay FC, and enjoys strong local support, particularly from its supporters' group, The Bridge Keepers. Now led by head coach James Riley, Ballard FC has built a reputation for consistent success, strong local identity, and competitive play within the USL League Two structure.

2025 USL LEAGUE TWO

# PLAYOFF BRACKET

PRESENTED BY  VensureHR



# CHAMPIONS



# GLORY TO THE GREEN MOUNTAINS

In one of the most remarkable playoff runs in USL League Two history, Vermont Green FC have blazed a trail straight to the national championship, turning every match into a storybook chapter, every comeback into a legend, and every home game at Virtue Field into a cathedral of belief. The journey began with a miracle, carried on with magic, and will culminate in Saturday night's final on August 2nd, in front of what promises to be the largest, loudest crowd in club history.

## **THE MIRACLE AT LUSITANO - JULY 11**

It all started in Ludlow, Massachusetts. Needing a draw to clinch their first-ever Northeast Division title, Vermont Green FC entered the lion's den against Western Mass Pioneers. Down 2-0 in stoppage time, the Pioneers were seconds away from glory. But the Green had other plans.

Zach Zengue (90+5') gave Vermont hope. Then, in the 99th minute, Owen O'Malley, a name etched into club folklore, let fly from distance. His rocket of a shot found the top corner, leveling the match at 2-2 and crowning Vermont Green FC undefeated Northeast Division Champions. Those two goals will be remembered forever as The Miracle at Lusitano.

## **ROUND OF 32 VS HUDSON VALLEY HAMMERS - JULY 18**

Back at Virtue Field, the Green faced adversity once again, going down 1-0 early in the second half. But Arnaud Tattevin responded with a nine-minute hat trick, including two penalties, to flip the match on its head. Ryan Zellefrow's late goal sealed a 4-1 win and set up a Round of 16 showdown with unbeaten juggernauts, FC Motown.

## **ROUND OF 16 VS FC MOTOWN - JULY 20**

Down 2-0 to the top-ranked team in the country, it looked like the Green's dream might end there. But not this team. Not in front of 2,700 roaring fans.

Three goals in eight minutes—from Zach Zengue, Maxi Kissel, and a penalty from Julien Le Bourdoulous—turned despair into euphoria. A 3-2 win, and a full-pitch fan invasion capped a comeback for the ages.

## **EASTERN CONFERENCE FINAL VS LIONSBRIDGE FC - JULY 25**

In their first-ever trip to the Eastern Conference Final, Vermont again went down 1-0. But Ian Abbey equalized with a sensational volley, and after 90 minutes, the Green went to extra time for the first time in club history.

Tattevin's goal in the 104th put Vermont ahead, and O'Malley's 116th minute finish sent Virtue Field into delirium. 3-1 after extra time. The Green were crowned Eastern Conference Champions.

## **NATIONAL SEMIFINAL VS DOTHAN UNITED - JULY 27**

On 48 hours rest, Vermont fought through 120 goalless minutes against the Southern Conference champions in front of over 4,000 fans.

In the penalty shootout, keeper Niklas Herceg made two crucial saves, and Hall, Le Bourdoulous, Kissel, and O'Malley all scored to clinch the shootout 4-2. O'Malley's winning penalty sent Virtue Field into absolute pandemonium.

## **NOW: THE FINAL CHAPTER AWAITS - AUGUST 2**

What started with a storm-delayed match under a rainbow now leads to a home national final—the dream of every player, coach, and supporter.

Vermont Green FC have not just gone unbeaten, they've done so with heart, resilience, and style. They've played for each other, for their fans, for Vermont.

Today, they play for a national championship.

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# REGULAR SEASON RESULTS

at		W, 2-0	at		W, 2-0
vs		W, 4-0	at		W, 4-1
vs		D, 1-1	at		W, 2-0
vs		W, 2-0	vs		W, 1-0
at		D, 0-0	vs		W, 5-1
at		W, 3-2	vs		W, 3-1
vs		W, 7-0	at		D, 2-2



# ON THE CONCOURSE



# FOOD VENDORS



# OVER AT THE MERCH TENT



THE 2025  
HOME KIT

THE 2025  
TRAINING TOP



THE NORTHEAST  
DIVISION  
CHAMPION CAP

Explore a wide selection of Vermont Green FC merchandise available on the concourse, including fan favorites like the 2025 Home Kit, the 2025 Training Top, the Northeast Division Champion Cap, and much more!

If an item is sold out or not available in person, you can always shop the full collection online at our website.

Vermont Green FC is committed to sourcing all merchandise to meet the highest standards of environmental stewardship and social responsibility.



# OUR FANS & SPONSORS

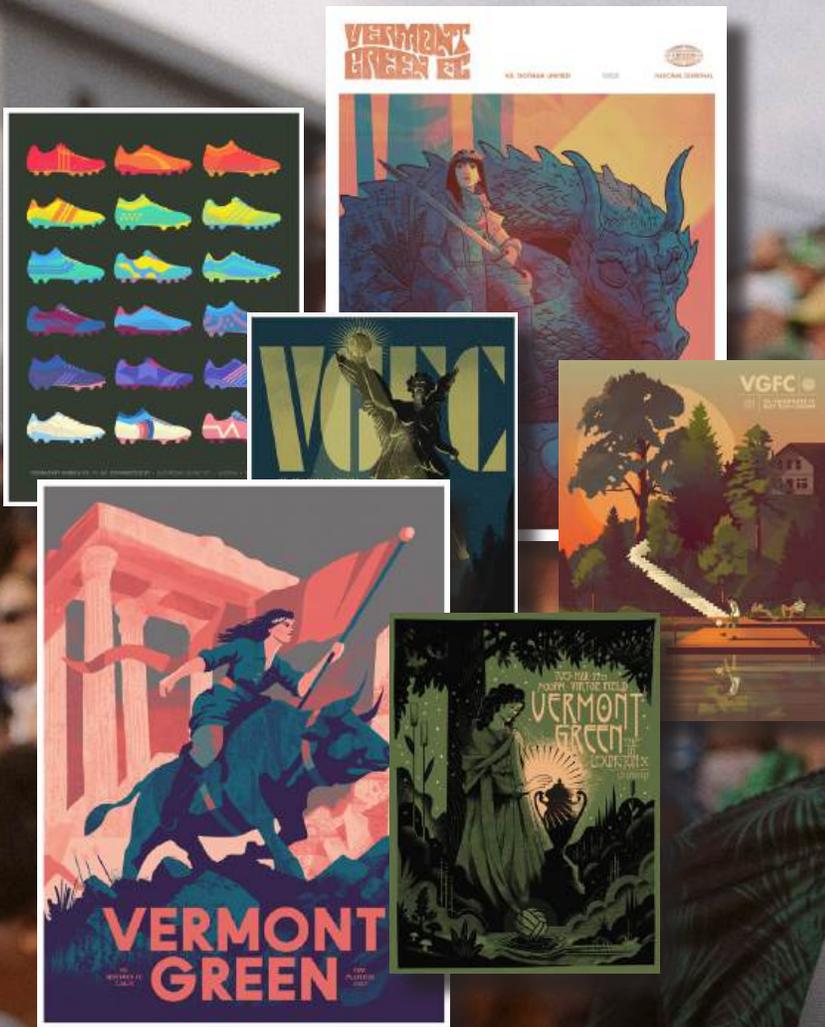
# THE GREEN MOUNTAIN BHOYS



*Formed during Vermont Green FC's inaugural season in 2022, the Green Mountain Bhoys are the club's supporters group. Since day one, they've brought energy and a deep sense of community to every matchday.*

*The Green Mountain Bhoys are an all-inclusive crew who welcome anyone who shares their love of football, friendship, and tailgating. For a rowdier, more European-style match experience, you can find them at the far left end of the bleachers on Virtue Field. You'll know you've found them when you see flags waving and hear drums pounding. Whether you're new to the chants or ready to lead one yourself, the Green Mountain Bhoys will greet you with open arms and help you bring the noise for our players in Green.*

# TYLER LITWIN & THE MATCHDAY POSTERS



Every Vermont Green FC matchday poster is the work of Tyler Littwin—an incredible artist, generous creative force, and longtime New Englander who brings our club's values to life through bold, thoughtful design. Tyler designs each poster to reflect the unique theme of every home match, from Labor Night and Pride Night to our annual friendly with Juba Star, all in service of the club's mission to unite football with purpose.

A former indie rocker and current dad of two boys (and two cats), Tyler is deeply committed to using design as a tool for real-world positivity. He believes everyone deserves access to great branding, whether you're a refugee support group, a youth soccer team, or a global brand.

You can explore more of Tyler's work at [blakeink.com](http://blakeink.com) and follow him on Instagram @blakeinkstudio. Love a particular poster? Printed versions of your favorite matchday designs are available for purchase at [vermontgreenfc.com](http://vermontgreenfc.com).

Tyler's time, talent, and passion are woven into every matchday, and we're incredibly lucky to have him as part of the VGFC family.

## **NOFA-VT RAFFLE RESULTS**

Earlier this month, Vermont Green FC hosted a raffle to raise funds in support of the Northeast Organic Farming Association of Vermont (NOFA-VT), helping farmers in Vermont's Northeast Kingdom recover from devastating flooding.

Together, we raised \$3,878.24, thanks to 46 unique donations and a \$1,500 match from the club.

From everyone at Vermont Green FC: Thank you for stepping up to support the critical work of NOFA-VT and standing with our farming communities.

## **FANS RAISE OVER \$15K FOR IMMIGRANT JUSTICE**

We're proud to share that fans and supporters of Vermont Green FC have independently raised over \$15,000 to support Migrant Justice VT and the Vermont Immigration Legal Defense Fund.

All proceeds will be split equally between these two vital organizations, each working to advance the rights, dignity, and well-being of immigrants in Vermont.

This incredible show of solidarity reflects the deep values of our community. Thank you to everyone who contributed and continues to stand up for justice in our state.

ZERO GRAVITY

# VERMONT GREEN IPA

Zero Gravity proudly presents Vermont Green IPA, the official beer of the Vermont Green Football Club's 2025 season. A small but mighty beer with big aromas of mango, pineapple, and passion fruit. Joyfully easy to drink, there's no better beverage to help support the home side. Go Green!



## AVAILABILITY

16oz 4-PACKS  
KEGS



## HOPS

Citra Incognito  
586  
Motueka

## MALT

Canada Maltage  
Superior Pilsner  
Rahr White Wheat  
Weyermann Carafoam  
Oats

## YEAST

House Ale

## ABV

5.0%

## STYLE

India Pale Ale

## OG

13.3°P

**Zero Gravity**  
THE OFFICIAL BEER OF THE VERMONT GREEN FOOTBALL CLUB.

UP THE GREEN!





Yerba Madre (formerly Guayaki Yerba Mate) started in 1996 with the goal of making the energy of yerba mate more accessible to people through a business model that could also benefit the planet and people. Now, decades later, Guayaki is a certified B Corp that uses business as a force for good by supporting the environment, people and communities.



Founded in a renovated gas station in Burlington, Vermont, in 1978, Ben & Jerry's believes that ice cream can be a force for positive change, one scoop at a time. Through values-led ingredient sourcing and inclusive movement-building, we're working toward a future where everyone can thrive.



Our products work hard in your home and are made with your safety in mind. Join us on our mission to transform the world into a healthy, sustainable, and equitable place for the next seven generations.



**ZERO GRAVITY**  
BURLINGTON · VERMONT

Zero Gravity Beer has been brewing beautiful and balanced beers since 2004. Based in Burlington, Vermont, we are committed to bringing people together under one common thread: beer.



Green Mountain Solar is a residential and commercial solar and battery installation company based in South Burlington.

Our educational, zero-pressure approach to energy solutions has gained us the trust of thousands of Vermonters.

Go to [www.greenmtnsolar.com](http://www.greenmtnsolar.com) today to set up your free consultation with one of our Solar Advisors!



**TWIN STATE**  
BASEMENT SERVICES

Twin State Basement Services specialize in basement waterproofing, crawl space encapsulation, and expert foundation repair to protect your home from moisture, mold, and structural issues. Our team uses advanced solutions to ensure long-lasting protection and peace of mind. Trust us to keep your foundation strong and your space dry.



Vermont's Finest  
**BEN & JERRY'S**  
Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough  
Vanilla Ice Cream with Gobs of Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough

Vermont's Finest  
**BEN & JERRY'S**  
Half Baked  
Chocolate & Vanilla Ice Creams with Gobs of Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough & Fudge Brownies







EST. 1996

# YERBA MADRE

ORGANIC YERBA MATE

BERRY LEMONADE

NATURALLY CAFFEINATED

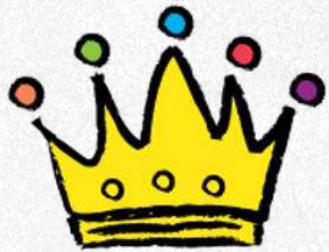
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SUGAR



NON-CARBONATED

15.5 FL OZ  
(458 ml)

# COMMUNITY PARTNERS



**KING  
STREET  
CENTER**

## KING STREET CENTER

Vermont Green FC is partnered with King Street Center to make matches more accessible and inviting to historically marginalized communities. The program is focused on building community ties between VGFC players and King Street Center youth and families. Players regularly join King Street Center youth regularly to engage in soccer activities and discuss their path toward playing soccer at the highest levels. Vermont Green also donates free tickets through its “Spread the Love” initiative so kids can attend home games throughout the season.

## JUBA STAR FC

Vermont Green is partnered 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**

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.



# ABOUT US



# ABOUT VERMONT GREEN FC

Vermont Green FC is a Burlington-based soccer club competing in USL League Two, the fourth tier of the American soccer system. Since its founding in 2022, the club has quickly established itself as a standout on the field, in the community, and across the soccer world. Playing home matches at Virtue Field on the University of Vermont campus, the Green regularly draws sellout crowds to one of the most energetic and inclusive atmospheres in the league.

From its very first match, a 4–0 win that announced the club’s arrival, Vermont Green has captured the imagination of fans with its exciting play and bold mission. More than just a soccer team, Vermont Green was founded to prove that sport can be a powerful platform for social and environmental change.

At the heart of the club’s identity is a deep, authentic commitment to environmental justice. As a proud member of One Percent for the Planet, the club donates 1% of its annual revenue to vetted environmental causes. It also works to reduce its carbon footprint through intentional operations, from kits made with 100% recycled materials to sustainability-focused matchday initiatives. Vermont Green is actively pursuing a net-zero future, and its values-driven model has earned national and international attention from outlets including The Guardian, The New York Times, BBC Sport, and Men in Blazers.

Off the pitch, the club continues to lead by example. Vermont Green invests in youth programming, volunteer coaching, and community partnerships that expand access to the game and create meaningful connections across Vermont. Whether through local collaborations, fan-driven initiatives, or hosting sold-out women’s exhibition matches, the club is constantly working to grow the game in ways that reflect its mission.

Now in its fourth season, Vermont Green is enjoying a landmark year: undefeated in the regular season, Northeast Division champions, Eastern Division champions, and host of the USL League Two finals. They are continuing to raise the bar for what’s possible in USL League Two. But results on the pitch are only part of the story.

Vermont Green FC is more than just a team. It’s a movement built on community, driven by purpose, and united by the belief that soccer can—and should—create a better future.

# ABOUT USL2

USL League Two is the leader in pre-professional soccer in North America. The League holds a vital role as it continues to provide the elite platform for those pursuing professional careers domestically and internationally.

The USL League Two regular season takes place during the summer from early May to mid-July. Each team plays at least 12 regular season games within their division, splitting the number of home and away matches. Each division winner qualifies for the playoffs, as well as the second-place team of select divisions. The playoffs are split into conferences and occur in late July, culminating in the League Two Final in early August.

## WHY USL2?

Vermont Green FC competes in USL League Two, the proven developmental leader in North American soccer's evolving tiered structure.

USL League Two (formerly the PDL) features clubs throughout the United States and Canada.

USL League Two is an important stepping-stone for top professionals now playing throughout the world, with more than 70 percent of all selections in the MLS SuperDraft since 2010 having League Two experience.

By joining USL League Two, Vermont Green FC fills a gap in the Vermont soccer system, giving the top players the opportunity to train and compete in our community while maintaining their collegiate eligibility.

## POSTSEASON IN BURLINGTON

Vermont Green FC has made club history this postseason, serving as a host for all four rounds of the 2025 USL League Two Playoffs. From the Round of 32 to the semifinals, every playoff match in our region has been played at Virtue Field. And now, only the National Final remains.

Vermont Green was selected through the league's host bid process to serve as one of the key playoff sites and has ultimately earned the right to host the 2025 League Two Final.

Now, with one match left to decide the national champion, our pitch remains at the heart of the League Two spotlight.



# ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE MISSION



Vermont Green is prioritizing five goals in pursuit of our environmental justice mission. 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.

## **Giving**

As 1% for the Planet members, 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.

# LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Vermont Green FC acknowledges that our playing ground sits on land that is a site of meeting and exchange for Indigenous peoples since time immemorial.

Ongoing generations of Indigenous peoples, namely the Western Abenaki [A-ben-A-kee], have stewarded this land.

The Western Abenaki are the caretakers of this land which they call Ndakinna [in-DAH-kee-NAH], or "homeland."

We recognize the trauma that violence and forced displacement by the hands of colonizing peoples has caused these communities.

We are guests on this land and will respect and uplift Indigenous histories, cultures and peoples.

We give thanks for the opportunity to share the joys of this beautiful land and in turn are committed to protecting it.

# THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS!



*We believe soccer can be a powerful force for environmental sustainability and social justice, but none of that happens without our incredible volunteers. This season, your energy, time, and commitment helped bring our matchdays to life and grow something truly special here in Vermont.*

*We're always looking for passionate community members to join our volunteer team. Matchday roles include stadium set-up, ticketing, merchandise, ushering, and clean-up. Volunteers receive a staff t-shirt, post-match pizza, and exclusive discounts on merchandise.*

*Want to be part of it next season? Head to our website and fill out the Volunteer Interest Form. We'd love to have you on the team!*



# TICKET POLICY

The Vermont Green FC 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.

Ticket holder 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.

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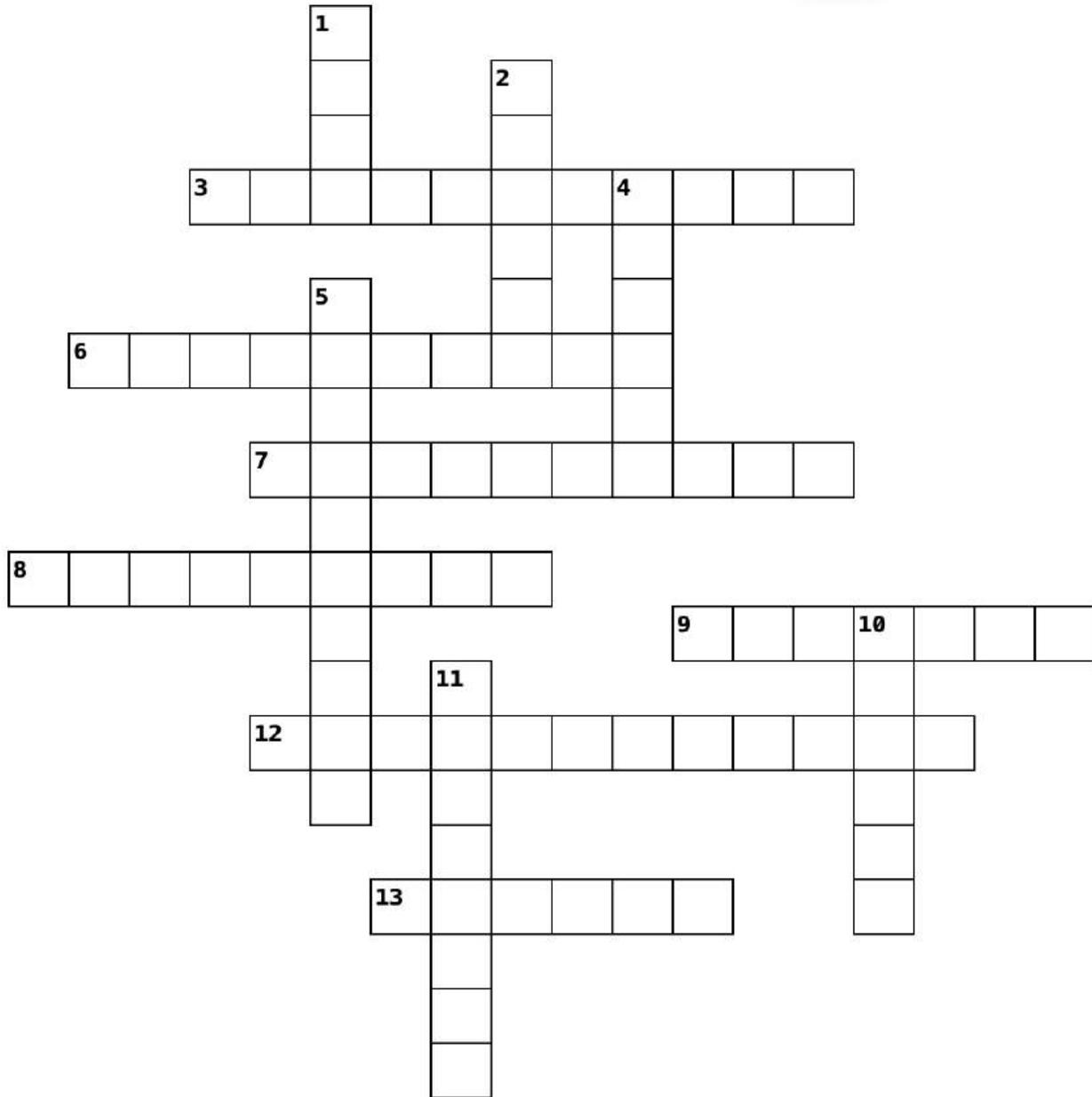
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Date and time are subject to change. No refunds or exchanges.



**EXTRA FUN!**

# MATCHDAY CROSSWORD



## ACROSS

- 3.** Rival that VGFC beat to win their first division championship (2 words)
- 6.** Club helpers who make matchday happen
- 7.** 2025 VGFC kit sponsor (2 words)
- 8.** USL League Two division that VGFC competes in
- 9.** One of VGFC's core values: "environmental \_\_\_\_"
- 12.** Sponsor and famous VT ice cream brand (3 words)
- 13.** Goalkeeper who helped UVM win a national title

## DOWN

- 1.** VGFC's supporters (abbr., plural)
- 2.** Stadium where VGFC plays
- 4.** VGFC captain and 2025 USL2 Defender of the year
- 5.** The outcome of VGFC's 2025 regular season
- 10.** The 2025 Head Coach of VGFC
- 11.** Annual home match against the reigning Ligue1 Quebec champions (2 words)

Answers: (1) GMBs, (2) Virtue, (3) Western Mass, (4) Mousso, (5) Undefeated, (6) Volun-  
teers, (7) Verba Madre, (8) Northeast, (9) Justice, (10) Taylor, (11) Maple Cup, (12) Ben  
and Jerry's, (13) Herceg.

# WHERE TO EAT & DRINK WHILE YOU'RE HERE

Burlington's food and drink culture is truly something special—creative, locally sourced, and packed with flavor. From craft breweries and cozy cafés to vibrant eateries serving up farm-to-table fare, there's something here for every taste. As you're enjoying matchday, don't miss the chance to explore the local scene. Some of our incredible sponsors also happen to offer some of the best bites and sips in town and we highly recommend checking them out while you're here!



Folino's



Zero Gravity



Leonardo's



Vivid Coffee



The Skinny Pancake



Ben & Jerry's



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