

# WEEK 5 PREVIEW

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Welcome to year five of Major Arena Soccer League 3, and the second season since the combination of MASL 3 and the Premier Arena Soccer League prior to the 2024-25 season.

A total of 13 teams are back from the 2024-25 season, with some new faces, old faces, and new faces in old places making up the 20-team league. In total, MASL 2, MASL 3 and MASL, W, the foundation of the

North American's premier pro indoor soccer pyramid, the 2025-26 season will feature 70 teams in three different countries. Including the top of the pyramid – the Major Arena Soccer League – no less than 78 teams will be playing under the MASL banner this winter.



Returning are the league champions – the RGV Barracudas out of Brownsville, Texas – who ended the three-year title run of Northern Virginia FC.

New teams this season in the Atlantic Division include Cumberland Valley SC, the Maryland Storm (who will play where the DMV Gunners played for the last two seasons) and Delaware City FC who will play out of the state's capital Wilmington.

All four teams in the East – the Roc City Boom who played RGV in the championship game – along with Buffalo, Cleveland and Youngstown are all back this year. New to the Great Lakes North Division this year are the Muskegon Risers, but they are far from new to the MASL. They have for the last



eight seasons fielded a team in MASL 2, and are stepping down a level in 2025-26. Also back in the pyramid are Cincinnati Swerve while Detroit Waza Flo and Indiana United both return.

The five-team South Division will feature four teams returning from last season including the OKC Certified Lions, who will play in the brand-new 4,500 seat OG&E Coliseum in downtown Oklahoma City this winter. Also back in 2025-26: RGV, the Wichita Selection and Springfield Demize. New is The Bold Dream FC based in Austin and Deportivo Shaolin.

Each MASL 3 team plays a 10-game regular season schedule, with a national playoffs to conclude the year.



## VIRGINA MARAUDERS

## NORTHERN VIRGINIA



Saturday, December 13

Kickoff at 7 p.m. EST

Winchester Sportsplex, Winchester, Virginia

- >> **PREVIOUS MEETINGS:** This is the first meeting of the season between these two.
- >> **THE SKINNY:** This is a battle for bragging rights as both teams play in Winchester, Virginia, at the Crown Sports Center. NOVA is a three-time MASL 3 champion, winning the first three years of league play, but falling last year in the playoffs when they lost to the RGV Barracudas 10-7 in the opening round of the post-season. NOVA was tied 7-7 in the fourth before surrendering the final three goals of the game. Leonel Sanchez-Pena led the way with two goals and two assists. trick. The two teams played three times last season, with Northern Virginia winning by scores of 25-6, 14-5 and 16-12. Northern Virginia is the last team in the MASL Atlantic Division to start play in 2025-26
- >> **PLAYERS TO WATCH:** In addition to Marjano's big game against RGV last year, Eric Calvillo

had a three-point effort with a goal and two assists. The Marauders were led by Leonel Sanchez-Pena in their season opening loss to Delaware City, as he scored twice. Bethson Fuentes is another major offensive threat for Virginia, and he had a goal in the opener as well.

>> UP NEXT: Baltimore Kings at Northern Virginia on Saturday, December 13 at 7 p.m. EST at Winchester Sports Complex, Winchester, Virginia / Cumberland Valley at Delaware City on Saturday, December 20 at 7 p.m. EST at Kirkwood Sports, Wilmington, Delaware.

## DELAWARE CITY FC at MARYLAND STORM



Saturday, December 6

Kickoff at 7:30 p.m. EST

Carroll Indoor Sports, Westminster, Maryland

>> PREVIOUS MEETINGS: This is the second meeting of the season. Maryland won 12-10 on November 29 in Wilmington. It was a spectacular MASL debut for Drew Wivell, who played for the Maryland Bobcats outdoors in the NISA, as he scored five goals to lead the Storm comeback. Delaware jumped to an early 2-0 lead, and with the game tied at 4-4 in the second quarter, Maryland scored seven of the game's next goals to pull away. Miles Hood scored with just under three minutes to play to bring DCFC to within a goal, but after being down by as many as six goals early in third, they could not find a late equalizer. In addition to Wivell's spectacular debut, teammate Angel Stanley Maravilla Chavez had a hat trick. Jamie Lupian had two goals and an assist for a three-point night as well. Drew Blackwell, a standout college player for four years at LaSalle, had a nice MASL start for Delaware City with a goal and three assists. Agi Pacheco and Odell Johnson chipped in with two goals each and Kel Ordonez and Rex Twum each had a goal and one assist.

>> THE SKINNY: Both of these teams are in their first season of play, but both have already looked impressive both on the field and on paper. Maryland (1-0) is coached by Liam Behrens, who was the coach of the DMV Gunners the last two years in Westminster, Maryland. A number of DMV players are on the Storm roster. Delaware City (1-1) opened their season on the road with an impressive 15-3 win against the Virginia Marauders.

>> PLAYERS TO WATCH: Agi Pacheco, a MASL veteran, has led the way for Delaware with five goals and two assists. Two players have five points each so far for Delaware: Kel Ordonez with three goals and two assists and Odell Johnson with four goals and one assist. Wivell is expected to miss this game for Maryland with an ankle sprain but could return for games later this month. Angel Stanley Maravilla Chavez had a hat trick in Maryland's

opening win.

>> UP NEXT: : Delaware City FC at Cumberland Valley SC on Sunday, January 11 at 7 p.m. EST at Hagerstown Fieldhouse, Hagerstown, Maryland / Maryland Storm vs. Cumberland Valley on Saturday, December 27 at 6 p.m. EST at Carroll Indoor Sports Center, Westminster, Maryland.

## MUSKEGON RISERS at CINCINNATI SWERVE

Saturday, December 13

Kickoff at 8 p.m. EST

Game Time Training Center, Fairfield, Ohio



>> PREVIOUS MEETINGS: This is the first game of the season between the two teams. It was originally scheduled to be played Nov. 29 in Cincinnati, but was postponed because of treacherous driving conditions due to a major Midwest snow storm.

THE SKINNY: Muskegon, a long time fixture in MASL 2, moves down to MASL 3 for the 2025-26 season, and will be an immediate threat in the Great Lakes North. The Swerve also provide a great test; the club dates back to 2015. These two teams played against each other MASL 2 in the 2021-22 season. They met three times, with the Risers taking all three, including one in overtime, 7-6. They also won by scores of 15-7 and 6-5 in regulation time.

>> PLAYERS TO WATCH: In MASL 2 last season, Cam Will was an offensive standout, scoring 22 goals and adding nine assists in his first year for Muskegon ... Longtime Riser Miguel Flores had 14 goals, and in his career in Muskegon, which started with the 2020-21 season, he has 39 regular season games with 69 goals scored and 86 total points ... Taylor Pill was second on the team in goals with 17, and had a team best 11 assists. In three years for Muskegon, Pill has appeared in 30 games with 35 goals and 13 assists. .. Sam Fiore is a key veteran to help bring the younger Swerve players along. He played his college soccer at Xavier and at Wayne High School. He has appeared in games in both the PASL and MASL indoors and will also serve on the team's coaching staff this season ... Andrej Novakovic is another indoor veteran that will be asked to be a leader. Dangerous offensive threat, led the Swerve in points in the 2021-22 PASL season ... Eddie Zavala played collegiately at Cincinnati State and the University of Pikeville. Played in 23 games for UPIKE, with five points. Native of Maysville, Kentucky.

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Saturday, December 20 at 7 p.m. EST at Kirkwood Sports, Wilmington, Delaware.

# OKC CERTIFIED LIONS at SPRINGFIELD DEMIZE



Saturday, December 13

Kickoff at 7:30 p.m. CST

Lake County Soccer, Springfield, Missouri

>> PREVIOUS MEETINGS: This is the first meeting of the season between the two teams.

>> THE SKINNY: Springfield is celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a club in the Missouri city. It is the second straight season of MASL 3 action. They won the Premier Arena Soccer League championship in 2015. OKC is one of the few clubs to field teams in multiple levels of the MASL pyramid, with teams in both MASL 2 and MASL 3, and this season they are moving into the brand new 4,500 seat OG&E Coliseum in downtown Oklahoma City has their home field. OKC won all three matchups between the two last year, eeking out just a 9-8 win in Springfield, and taking dominating wins in OKC by scores of 23-5 and 17-7.

PLAYERS TO WATCH: For Springfield, Jose Ortega was their leading scorer in 2024-25 with an impressive 14 goals. Tyrell Phinn and Leonardo Borges were second on the team in goals with six each. Jordan Houseman has been with the Demize for many years, and is the team captain in 2025-26. For OKC had two of the top players in MASL 3 last year in Aboubakr Diallo who netted 25 goals and added 17 assists and Rafael Zaldivar who had 13 goals and 18 assists. Diallo's 42 points were second best in MASL 3 last year.

>> UP NEXT: OKC Certified Lions vs. The Bold Dream FC on Saturday, December 20 at 6:30 p.m. CST at OG&E Coliseum, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma / Springfield Demize at Wichita Selection on Saturday, January 10 at The Sports Zone, Wichita, Kansas.

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# UP NEXT

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Saturday, December 20	Sahara Gunners (Buffalo) at Cleveland Samba, 6 p.m. EST
Saturday, December 20	Baltimore Kings at Virginia Marauders, 7 p.m. EST
Saturday, December 20	Cumberland Valley at Delaware City, 7 p.m. EST
Saturday, December 20	Detroit Waza Flo at Cincinnati Swerve, 7 p.m. EST
Saturday, December 27	Cumberland Valley at Maryland Storm, 6 p.m. EST
Saturday, December 27	RGV Barracudas at OKC Certified Lions, 6:30 p.m. CST
Saturday, December 27	Deportivo Shaolin at Wichita Selction, 7:30 p.m. CST



# STANDINGS

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## » ATLANTIC DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA	DIF
Baltimore Kings	3	3	0	0	9	22	11	+11
Maryland Storm	1	1	0	0	3	12	10	+2
Delaware City FC	2	1	1	0	3	25	15	+10
Northern Virginia FC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cumberland Valley	2	0	2	0	0	10	13	-3
Virginia Marauders	2	0	2	0	0	4	23	-19

## » EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA	DIF
Cleveland Samba	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Roc City Boom	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sahara Gunners (Buffalo)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Youngstown Nighthawks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



## » GREAT LAKES NORTH

	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA	DIF
Cincinnati Swerve	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Detroit Waza Flo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Indiana United	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Muskegon Risers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## » SOUTH DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA	DIF
OKC Certified Lions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RGV Barracudas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Springfield Demize	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
The Bold Dream FC (Austin)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wichita Selection	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



# THE STATS

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## » 2025-26 GOAL LEADERS

Player	Team	GP	GL
Tony Araviakis	Baltimore Kings	3	6
Agi Pacheco	Delaware City	2	5
Andrew Wivell	Maryland Storm	1	5
Ken Truong	Baltimore Kings	3	4
Myles Hood	Delaware City	2	4
Odell Johnson	Delaware City	2	4
Pat Fleming	Baltimore Kings	1	3
Angel Sanchez	Maryland Storm	1	3
Joseph Sefoi	Baltimore Kings	3	3

## » 2025-26 ASSIST LEADERS



<u>Player</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>GP</u>	<u>AS</u>
Josh Danza	Baltimore Kings	3	7
Gavin Boyer	Baltimore Kings	2	5
Joel Musa	Cumberland Valley	1	3
Drew Blackwell	Delaware City	2	3
Kel Ordonez	Delaware City	2	3

## » 2025-26 TOTAL POINTS LEADERS

<u>Player</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>GP</u>	<u>PTS</u>
Agi Pacheco	Delaware City FC	3	7
Josh Danza	Baltimore Kings	3	7
Tony Araviakis	Baltimore Kings	3	6
Ken Truong	Baltimore Kings	3	6
Andrew Wivell	Maryland Storm	1	5
Kel Ordonez	Delaware City FC	2	5
Odell Johnson	Delaware City FC	2	5
Gavin Boyer	Baltimore Kings	3	5
Joel Musa	Cumberland Valley	2	5