

Major Arena Soccer League 2

WEEK 17 PREVIEW



Games of March 29-31





THE GAMES



Saturday, March 30, 2 p.m. EDT
ATLETICO ORLANDO (5-6) at
BALTIMORE ARSENAL (3-8)
Towson Arena, Towson, Maryland



GAME NOTES: These two teams split this past weekend's doubleheader, and will close the M2 regular season as part of a pro indoor soccer doubleheader with the MASL Baltimore Blast, who will host Utica City FC at 6 p.m. Orlando will be playing for a playoff seed, as with the win, they will be seeded sixth overall for next weekend's playoffs in Wichita. With a loss, the Iowa Raptors will be the sixth seed and Orlando the seventh seed in the eight-team post season. Last Saturday, Orlando never trailed after Rodrigo Kauffman gave Atletico a 2-1 lead just over two minutes into the second quarter. On three different occasions after that, Baltimore was able to pull within one goal but never did find the equalizer. Jordan Travers made it a 6-5 game with 3:28 to play, but Orlando closed out the game with two scores, including one against a sixth attacker, and the true back breaker, a shorthanded tally by Eduardo Cruz with 1:52 left in the fourth. Juan Reyes had two goals and one assist for Orlando, while Kaufman and Cruz finished with two goals each. Charly Vargas added two assists. Erik Lorent had two goals for Baltimore, who outshot Orlando 35-27. On Sunday, it was just as tight. Baltimore never trailed after taking a 3-2 lead with just over a minute left in the first period from Michael Bernstein. Orlando forged tie scores on two occasions after that, but never did lead the rest of the way. Orlando outshot Baltimore 34-30. Joe Stefoi had two goals and two assists to lead the Arsenal attack, while Brayde Wise had a hat trick. Kauffman had a hat trick for Orlando. This will be the third game of the season between the two East Division foes.

UP NEXT: End of regular season for both teams.

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STANDINGS

(As of March 30, 2024)

| GP | W | L | OTL | PTS | RW | GF | GA | DIF |
|----|---|---|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|
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>>East Division

| | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|----|----|---|---|----|----|-----|----|-----|
| y - Rochester Lancers | 12 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 36 | 12 | 146 | 48 | +98 |
| x - Atletico Orlando* | 11 | 5 | 6 | 9 | 15 | 4 | 60 | 98 | -38 |
| Baltimore Arsenal | 11 | 3 | 8 | 0 | 9 | 3 | 53 | 93 | -40 |
| United Elite Krajisnik FC | 12 | 3 | 9 | 0 | 9 | 3 | 68 | 88 | -20 |

*Includes two games ruled as forfeit wins for Orlando over United Elite, and one forfeit win over Baltimore

>>North Division

| | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|----|----|---|---|----|----|-----|-----|------|
| y - Iowa Demon Hawks | 12 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 36 | 12 | 156 | 52 | +104 |
| x - Iowa Raptors | 12 | 5 | 7 | 0 | 15 | 5 | 78 | 107 | -29 |
| x - St. Louis Ambush 2 | 12 | 4 | 8 | 0 | 12 | 4 | 77 | 111 | -34 |
| Muskegon Risers | 12 | 3 | 9 | 0 | 9 | 3 | 64 | 105 | -43 |

>>Midwest Division

| | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|----|----|----|---|----|----|-----|-----|-----|
| y - Wichita Wings | 12 | 11 | 0 | 1 | 34 | 11 | 122 | 70 | +52 |
| x - El Paso Rhinos U. Seis | 12 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 24 | 8 | 128 | 113 | +15 |
| x - Amarillo Bombers | 12 | 7 | 5 | 0 | 20 | 6 | 114 | 91 | +20 |
| Kansas Bandits | 12 | 3 | 8 | 1 | 10 | 3 | 81 | 135 | -54 |
| New Mexico Runners | 12 | 1 | 11 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 90 | 142 | -52 |

x - clinched playoff spot

y - clinched regular season division title and playoff spot

Teams receive three points for a regulation time win (RW), two points for a win in overtime, one point for an overtime loss (OTL), and no points for a loss in regulation time. Teams play a 12-game regular season.

Standings and playoff tiebreakers: POINTS > REGULATION WINS > WINS > HEAD TO GROUP > GOAL DIFFERENTIAL > GOALS FOR > GOALS AGAINST

Eight teams will qualify for M2 Championship Weekend April 4-7 at Hartman Arena, Park City , Kansas, hosted by the Wichita Wings who are guaranteed as host one of the eight playoff spots. The top two division finishers earn playoff spots, along with two wildcard entrants, the teams with the two top point totals among the third and fourth place teams in the three divisions.

FINAL 2022-23 REGULAR SEASON

| | <u>GP</u> | <u>W</u> | <u>L</u> | <u>OTL</u> | <u>PTS</u> | <u>RW</u> | <u>GF</u> | <u>GA</u> | <u>DIF</u> |
|---------------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| >>North Division | | | | | | | | | |
| x - Iowa Raptors | 12 | 7 | 3 | 2 | 23 | 7 | 82 | 89 | -7 |
| Rochester Lancers | 12 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 23 | 7 | 81 | 63 | +18 |
| Iowa Demon Hawks | 12 | 7 | 4 | 1 | 21 | 6 | 94 | 76 | +18 |
| Muskegon Risers | 12 | 2 | 10 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 74 | 103 | -29 |
| >>Midwest Division | | | | | | | | | |
| x - Amarillo Bombers | 12 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 30 | 10 | 146 | 91 | +55 |
| x - Wichita Wings | 12 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 29 | 9 | 122 | 77 | +45 |
| New Mexico Runners | 12 | 4 | 7 | 1 | 13 | 4 | 107 | 134 | -27 |
| Colorado Inferno | 12 | 3 | 9 | 0 | 9 | 3 | 82 | 134 | -52 |
| Kansas Bandits | 12 | 3 | 9 | 0 | 9 | 3 | 81 | 102 | -21 |
| >>West Division | | | | | | | | | |
| x - Chihuahua Savage II | 12 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 30 | 10 | 111 | 63 | +48 |
| Club Deportivo de Baja | 12 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 24 | 8 | 113 | 69 | +44 |
| RGV Barracudas | 12 | 7 | 5 | 0 | 20 | 6 | 78 | 69 | +9 |
| Empire Jets | 12 | 6 | 5 | 1 | 19 | 5 | 68 | 84 | -16 |
| Turlock Cal Express | 12 | 3 | 9 | 0 | 8 | 2 | 66 | 127 | -61 |
| San Diego Sockers 2 | 12 | 2 | 9 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 65 | 89 | -24 |



UP NEXT

M2 Playoffs April 5-7 at Hartman Arena, Park City, Kansas



THE STATS

2023-24 MASL 2 GOAL LEADERS

| Player | Team | Goals | GP |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------|----|
| Angel Lopez | Kansas Bandits | 34 | 12 |
| Rene Loya | Amarillo Bombers | 29 | 12 |
| Ali Alomari | Rochester Lancers | 28 | 11 |
| Bruno Henrique | Iowa Demon Hawks | 26 | 12 |
| Mershad Ahmadi | Wichita Wings | 25 | 12 |
| Ricardo Diegues | Iowa Demon Hawks | 24 | 9 |
| David Trevizo | Amarillo Bombers | 22 | 12 |

2023-24 MASL 2 ASSISTS LEADERS

| Player | Team | Assists | GP |
|-------------------------|-------------------|---------|----|
| Thiago Frietas | Iowa Demon Hawks | 26 | 12 |
| Bruno Henrique | Iowa Demon Hawks | 24 | 12 |
| Kevin Ten Eyck | Wichita Wings | 19 | 12 |
| Jake Schindler | Rochester Lancers | 18 | 11 |
| Ricardo Diegues | Iowa Demon Hawks | 16 | 9 |
| Eduardo "Benji" Monreal | Amarillo Bombers | 14 | 8 |
| Miguel Reyes | Amarillo Bombers | 13 | 9 |

2023-24 MASL 2 TOTAL POINTS LEADERS

| Player | Team | Points | GP |
|-----------------|-------------------|--------|----|
| Bruno Henrique | Iowa Demon Hawks | 50 | 12 |
| Thiago Freitas | Iowa Demon Hawks | 46 | 12 |
| Ali Alomari | Rochester Lancers | 40 | 11 |
| Ricardo Diegues | Iowa Demon Hawks | 40 | 9 |
| Angel Lopez | Kansas Bandits | 39 | 12 |
| Rene Loya | Amarillo Bombers | 38 | 10 |
| Mershad Ahmadi | Wichita Wings | 36 | 12 |
| Joao Vitor | Iowa Demon Hawks | 33 | 12 |

2023-24 MASL 2 GOALS AGAINST AVERAGE LEADERS

| | | |
|----------------|-------------------|------|
| Jacob Mitchell | Rochester Lancers | 3.52 |
| Rainer Hauss | Iowa Demon Hawks | 3.80 |
| Jose Ocampo | Wichita Wings | 5.29 |
| Jorge Ortiz | Atletico Orlando | 8.02 |
| Alejandro Sosa | Baltimore Arsenal | 8.23 |

2023-24 MASL 2 GOALKEEPER WINS

| | | |
|----------------|-------------------|----|
| Rainer Hauss | Iowa Demon Hawks | 12 |
| Jose Ocampo | Wichita Wings | 8 |
| Jakeb Mitchell | Rochester Lancers | 8 |
| Fredo Chavez | Amarillo Bombers | 7 |

2023-24 MASL 2 GOALKEEPER SAVES PERCENTAGE

| | | |
|----------------|--------------------|------|
| Rainer Hauss | Iowa Demon Hawks | .825 |
| Jose Ocampo | Wichita Wings | .756 |
| Jakeb Mitchell | Rochester Lancers | .741 |
| Alejandro Sosa | Baltimore Arsenal | .647 |
| Jorge Ortiz | Atletico Orlando | .637 |
| Nate Yeager | New Mexico Runners | .590 |

>> Note: Goalkeepers must have appeared in at least 50 percent of their team's games to qualify for GK category leaders

2022-23 MASL 2 GOAL LEADERS

| Player | Team | Goals |
|---------------------|---------------------|-------|
| Mershad Amadhi | New Mexico Runners | 38 |
| Miguel Reyes | Amarillo Bombers | 25 |
| David Trevizo | Amarillo Bombers | 22 |
| Francisco Rivas | Colorado Inferno | 22 |
| Bruno Henrique | Iowa Demon Hawks | 21 |
| Rene Loya Hernandez | Chihuahua Savage II | 19 |
| Jorge Gonzalez | Amarillo Bombers | 18 |
| Vince Aragon | New Mexico Runners | 18 |

2022-23 MASL 2 ASSISTS LEADERS

| Player | Team | Assists |
|-----------------|------------------|---------|
| Miguel Reyes | Amarillo Bombers | 23 |
| Jared Robins | Wichita Wings | 17 |
| Thiago Freitas | Iowa Demon Hawks | 17 |
| David Luico | Wichita Wings | 15 |
| David Trevizo | Amarillo Bombers | 13 |
| Bruno Henrique | Iowa Demon Hawks | 12 |
| Kevin Ten Eyck | Wichita Wings | 12 |
| Ricardo Diegues | Iowa Demon Hawks | 12 |
| Francisco Rivas | Colorado Inferno | 12 |

2022-23 MASL 2 TOTAL POINTS LEADERS

| Player | Team | Points |
|-----------------|--------------------|--------|
| Mershad Ahmadi | New Mexico Runners | 48 |
| Miguel Reyes | Amarillo Bombers | 48 |
| David Trevizo | Amarillo Bombers | 35 |
| Francisco Rivas | Colorado Inferno | 34 |
| Bruno Henrique | Iowa Demon Hawks | 33 |
| Jared Robbins | Wichita Wings | 33 |
| Vince Aragon | New Mexico Runners | 29 |
| David Luico | Wichita Wings | 28 |
| Jorge Gonzalez | Amarillo Bombers | 28 |

2022-23 MASL 2 GOALS AGAINST AVERAGE LEADERS

| | | |
|-------------------------|---------------------|------|
| Jakeb Mitchell | Rochester Lancers | 4.92 |
| Aaron Parrott | Wichita Wings | 5.01 |
| Rainer Hauss | Iowa Demon Hawks | 5.66 |
| Diego Arriaga | RGV Barracudas | 5.67 |
| Jesus Ortiz | Iowa Raptors | 5.93 |
| David Escarcega Trevizo | Chihuahua Savage II | 6.40 |

2022-23 MASL 2 GK SAVES PERCENTAGE

| | | |
|----------------|-------------------|------|
| Jakeb Mitchell | Rochester Lancers | 4.92 |
| Aaron Parrott | Wichita Wings | 5.01 |
| Rainer Hauss | Iowa Demon Hawks | 5.66 |
| Diego Arriaga | RGV Barracudas | 5.67 |

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|-------------------------|---------------------|------|
| Jesus Ortiz | Iowa Raptors | 5.93 |
| David Escarcega Trevizo | Chihuahua Savage II | 6.40 |