

MINNESOTA AURORA

SCHEDULE / 14-0-0

May 21	vs Rochester FC	W, 6-0
May 23	@ Rally Madison	W, 2-0
May 28	@ Rockford Raptors FC	W, 1-0
May 30	@ River Light FC	W, 2-0
June 4	vs Rally Madison	W, 7-0
June 6	vs RKC Third Coast	W, 1-0
June 9	@ Sioux Falls City FC	W, 3-0
June 12	vs Edgewater Castle	W, 5-0
June 17	vs Sioux Falls City FC	W, 2-0
June 20	River Light FC	W, 4-1
June 23	@ Rochester FC	W, 1-0
June 28	@ RKC Third Coast	W, 3-0
July 3	vs. Union FC Macomb^	W, 2-0
July 5	@ Pittsburgh Riveters^	W, 2-1
July 11	@ Salmon Bay^	9:30p

Home Matches in **BOLD**
^ denotes USL W League Playoff match

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MATCH FACTS



VS



Minnesota Aurora FC vs Salmon Bay FC
July 11, 2026 | 9:30p CT
InterBay Stadium | Seattle, Wa.

Borealis Bulletin: Minnesota Aurora vs Salmon Bay FC

With a spot in the USL W League Championship Final on the line, Aurora FC hits the road again to face Salmon Bay FC.

Salmon Bay, winners of the Northwest Division in 2026, are through to the National Semifinals courtesy of a penalty shootout victory over Mountain Division champions Colorado Storm and a win against SoCal Division champions Capo FC. The hosts from Seattle have yet to allow goal this postseason.

12 different players have tallied a goal for Salmon Bay this season, led by the duo of Virginia Lackey (7 goals) and Ameera Hussen (7 goals). Samiah Shell paces the squad with 6 assists.

By the Numbers:

2 - Over their last 450 minutes of playoff football, Aurora FC have only conceded two goals. All-time, have only conceded one goal in the USL W League National Semifinals.

41 - With 41 goals scored this season, Aurora's offense led the Central Conference in overall goals and ranked 2nd in goals per match (2.9), only behind Pittsburgh.

2026 POINT LEADERS

Name	Points	Goals	Assists
AI KITAGAWA	27	11	5
FLAVIE DUBÉ	12	4	4
GRACIE DUNAWAY	11	4	3
JEANETTE FIELDSSEND	10	3	4
SKYE LEACH	10	4	2
MAIA TABION	7	3	1
THALIA MORISI	7	3	1

MINNESOTA AURORA FC ROSTER / 2026 (STATS AS OF 7-2-26)

No.	Position	Name	Pronunciation	Hometown	GP	GS	MIN.	G	A	PTS
2	F	GRACIE DUNAWAY		Mars, PA	11	9	670	4	3	11
3	CB	KALO IONGI	KAH-low ee-OWN-gee (hard G)	Orem, UT	13	5	461	1	4	6
4	CB	OLIVIA ALBERT		East Lansing, MI	13	12	1019	0	0	0
5	M	SKYE LEACH		Flower Mound, TX	10	8	692	4	2	8
7	F	ANGELA GUTIERREZ	an-juh-luh GOO-tee-air-ez	Oakdale, MN	9	3	376	2	0	4
8	F	MAIA TABION	MY-uh tab-EE-on	Sammamish, WA	11	7	475	3	1	7
9	CB	TALIA COURY	TAH-lee-uh CORE-ee	Phoenix, AZ	6	2	239	2	1	5
10	CB	KAITLYN SLOCUM	SLOW-come	Meridian, ID	12	2	289	0	0	0
11	CB	HAYLEE MERSEREAU	MER-sir-oh	Boca Raton, FL	13	11	855	0	1	1
12	F	FLAVIE DUBÉ	FLAH-vee doo-BEE	Ottawa, Ontario, Canada	10	8	697	4	4	12
13	B	KYRA KARFONTA	KEER-uh	South Lyon, MI	11	10	811	0	4	4
15	M	HANNAH BOUGHTON	b-OW-ton	Colleyville, TX	12	10	921	1	0	2
17	M	OLIVIA RUSH		Troy, MI	13	6	623	0	0	0
18	M	THALIA MORISI	thuh-LEE-uh more-EE-see	Long Island, NY	12	10	707	3	1	7
20	M	JEANETTE FIELDSSEND	juh-NET	Indian Trail, NC	13	5	446	3	4	10
21	B	JELENA ZBILJIC	YELL-en-uh z'BEE-litch	Excelsior, MN	7	2	264	2	0	4
25	F	HADLI BARRERA	HAD-lee buh-RARE-uh	Hyrum, UT	13	4	513	1	0	2
31	M	AI KITAGAWA	EYE kit-uh-GAH-wah	Itami City, Hyogo, Japan	12	11	872	11	5	27
41	B	CAPRIEL WINDER	cuh-PREEL WIN-derr	Logan, UT	10	7	611	0	1	1
52	M	AMELIA BROWN		Cary, NC	12	6	670	1	0	2
					GP	GS	MIN.	GAA	SV	CS
00	GK	ISAAC RANSON	he/him	Oxnard, CA	4	3	321	0.00	4	2
1	GK	TAYLOR FOX		Titusville, FL	11	10	894	0.20	14	6
26	GK	NAOMI JACKSON	nay-OHH-me	Freeport, Ill.	1	1	45	0.00	1	0

LAST MATCH / vs. PITTSBURGH RIVETERS, 2-1 (W)

Minnesota Aurora FC claimed its second consecutive Central Conference Championship with a dramatic 92nd-minute game-winner to defeat Pittsburgh Riveters SC, 2-1, on Sunday evening at F.N.B. Stadium. Flavie Dubé opened the scoring for Aurora before Pennsylvania native Gracie Dunaway netted the late winner to send Aurora to the USL W League national semifinals.

Aurora found their breakthrough in the match and a 1-0 lead in the 18th minute. Dubé played a quick give-and-go in the box with Jeanette Fieldsend, who played the ball back to Dubé and she finished from a tight angle at the near post, scoring her fourth goal of the season.

From there, Pittsburgh would claw its way back into the match. In the 25th minute, Riveters cut inside the penalty area, striking a shot toward Taylor Fox, who parried it off the crossbar. Nine minutes later, the home side won a free kick, which was cleared by Aurora. Off a free kick in the 37th minute, Ellen Molloy fired a shot into the corner of goal, past Fox to level the scoreline, 1-1.

Pittsburgh threatened twice in the opening minutes of the second half, first in the 48th minute when the Aurora defense cleared the attempt and then again a minute later when Fox made a close-range save to keep the match level. In the 59th minute, Thalia Morisi found space in the box, but fired her shot just wide of the target before Aurora had back-to-back corners but were unable to capitalize.

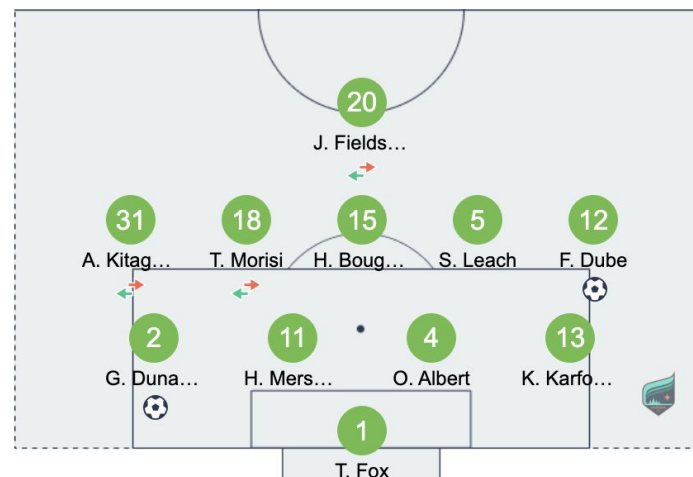
The two sides would carry along level at 1-1, entering second-half stoppage time. It was then that Aurora would finally find their second goal. In the final minute of stoppage time, Dubé received the ball out wide on the right side and fired a pass to the top of the six-yard box for Dunaway, who slid into the box and re-directed the ball into the left side of the net in the final moments of the game.

With the win, it marks the second consecutive season Aurora will appear in the national semifinals of the USL W League playoffs. The win also sets a new club record for consecutive victories with 14. Aurora are the only team remaining in the league with a perfect record in 2026.

LAST MATCH / SCORING SUMMARY

Goal Scorer	Time	Score	Assist
Flavie Dubé (4)	18'	1-0	Jeanette Fieldsend
Ellen Molloy	37'	1-1	–
Gracie Dunaway	90'+2'	2-1	Flavie Dubé

LAST MATCH / STARTING XI



ALL-TIME PLAYOFF RESULTS / 6-4-0

OPPONENT	RESULT	SCORE	DATE
Indy Eleven	W	2-1	July 13, 2022
McLean Soccer	W	1-0	July 17, 2022
Tormenta FC	L	2-1	July 23, 2022
Chicago City	W	1-0	July 6, 2023
Indy Eleven	L	1-0	July 8, 2023
Indy Eleven	L	2-1	July 5, 2024
Pittsburgh Riveters	W	2-0	July 4, 2025
Kings Hammer FC	W	1-0	July 6, 2025
Utah United	L	1-0	July 12, 2025
Union FC Macomb	W	2-0	July 3, 2026
Pittsburgh Riveters	W	2-1	July 5, 2026

ALL-TIME PLAYOFF GOAL SCORERS

PLAYER	OPPONENT	MIN.	DATE
MORGAN TURNER	Indy Eleven	50'	July 13, 2022
MAYU INOKAWA	Indy Eleven	66' [pen]	July 13, 2022
MORGAN TURNER	McLean	52'	July 17, 2022
ADDY WEICHERS	Tormenta FC	22'	July 20, 2022
ARI DEL MORAL	Chicago City	24' [pen]	July 6, 2023
KATIE DUONG	Indy Eleven	61'	July 5, 2024
SAIGE WIMES	Pittsburgh	43'	July 4, 2025
NATALIE TAVANA	Pittsburgh	62'	July 4, 2025
SAIGE WIMES	Kings Hammer	88'	July 6, 2025
SKYE LEACH	Union FC	39'	July 3, 2026
JELENA ZBILJIC	Union FC	87'	July 3, 2026
FLAVIE DUBÉ	Pittsburgh	18'	July 5, 2026
GRACIE DUNAWAY	Pittsburgh	90'+2'	July 5, 2026

2026 USL W LEAGUE PLAYOFF SCHEDULE

	DATE	TIME	VENUE/RESULT
Aurora FC/Union FC	7-3-26	3:30p	Aurora, 2-0
Aurora FC/Riveters SC	7-5-26	6:00p	Aurora, 2-1
Aurora FC/Salmon Bay	7-11-26	9:30p	InterBay Stadium



SITUATIONAL RECORDS / 2026

Home:

6-0-0

Last win: 6/20/26

Scoring 1 goal:

3-0-0

Last win: 6/23/26

Away:

7-0-0

Last win: 7/5/26

Scoring 2+ goals:

12-0-0

Last win: 7/5/26

Neutral:

1-0-0

Last win: 7/3/26

Scoring 3+ goals:

5-0-0

Last win: 6/28/26

When scoring first:

14-0-0

Last win: 7/5/26

When conceding first:

0-0-0

Last win: 5/25/25

Leading at halftime:

11-0-0

Last win: 7/3/26

Trailing at halftime:

0-0-0

Last instance: 6/22/25

Scoreless at halftime:

2-0-0

Last win: 6/9/26

GOALS TYPOLOGY / 2026

TYPE	TOTAL
FREE KICK	2
CORNER	4
COUNTER	4
PENALTY	2
THROW-IN	1
INSIDE BOX	39
OUTSIDE BOX	2

WHEN SCORED / 2026

TIME	TOTAL
1'-15'	5
16'-30'	9
31'-45'	7
46'-75'	13
76'-90'	6
STOPPAGE	2
1ST HALF	21
2ND HALF	20

STARTING LINEUPS / 2026

5/21 vs. Rochester FC:

GK: Fox; DEF: Winder, Brown, Albert, Karfonta; MID: Boughton, Morisi, Rush, Dubé, Leach; FWD: Kitagawa

5/23 at Rally Madison:

GK: Fox; DEF: Winder, Mersereau, Albert, Karfonta; MID: Boughton, Morisi, Kitagawa, Dubé, Leach; FWD: Tabion

5/28 at Rockford:

GK: Jackson; DEF: longi, Mersereau, Albert, Slocum; MID: Fieldsend, Brown, Rush, Gutierrez, Cury; FWD: Barrera

5/30 at River Light:

GK: Fox; DEF: Dunaway, Mersereau, Albert, Winder; MID: Morisi, Boughton, Cury, Leach, Tabion; FWD: Kitagawa

6/4 vs. Rally Madison:

GK: Fox; DEF: Karfonta, Mersereau, Albert, Winder; MID: Dunaway, Rush, Morisi, Boughton, Kitagawa; FWD: Dubé

6/6 vs. RKC Third Coast:

GK: Ranson; DEF: Slocum, Mersereau, Karfonta, longi; MID: Kitagawa, Gutierrez, Barrera, Brown, Fieldsend; FWD: Tabion

6/9 at Sioux Falls City:

GK: Fox; DEF: Karfonta, Mersereau, Albert, Winder; MID: Dunaway, Leach, Dubé, Boughton, Kitagawa; FWD: Tabion

6/12 vs. Edgewater Castle:

GK: Ranson; DEF: Boughton, Albert, Mersereau, longi; MID: Dunaway, Rush, Brown, Fieldsend, Kitagawa; FWD: Leach

6/17 vs. Sioux Falls City:

GK: Fox; DEF: Winder, Albert, Mersereau, Karfonta; MID: Dunaway, Boughton, Morisi, Tabion, Kitagawa; FWD: Dubé

6/20 vs. River Light:

GK: Fox; DEF: Zbiljic, D Mersereau, Albert, Karfonta; MID: Dubé, Morisi, Boughton, Dunaway; FWD: Fieldsend, Kitagawa

6/23 at Rochester FC:

GK: Ranson; DEF: longi Winder, Albert, Zbiljic; MID: Morisi, Brown, Rush, Gutierrez; FWD: Tabion, Barrera

6/28 at RKC Third Coast:

GK: Fox; DEF: longi, Rush, Albert, Karfonta; MID: Tabion, Morisi, Brown, Dunaway; FWD: Leach, Kitagawa

7/3 vs. Union FC Macomb:

GK: Fox; DEF: Karfonta, Albert, Mersereau, Dunaway; MID: Dubé, Leach, Boughton, Morisi; FWD: Fieldsend, Barrera

7/5 vs. Pittsburgh Riveters:

GK: Fox; DEF: Karfonta, Albert, Mersereau, Dunaway; MID: Dubé, Leach, Boughton, Morisi; FWD: Fieldsend, Kitagawa



First Team Head Coach Jen Larrick

Minnesota Aurora announced in January 2025 that Jen Larrick will return to the organization as Aurora's USL W head coach.

Larrick played Division I college soccer at the University of Florida and the University of Minnesota before playing with Cardiff Metropolitan University (United Kingdom) and Waterside Karori AFC (New Zealand).

Larrick self-designed a sport coaching Bachelor's Degree, earned a Master's of Education in Youth Development from the University of Minnesota, and is working on a Doctorate in Sport Coaching with Cardiff Metropolitan University. Larrick holds a UEFA B License, USSF C License, and a USC Advanced National Diploma.

COACHING HISTORY



NICOLE LUKIC / 2 SEASONS

YEAR	W/L	DIV.	PLAYOFFS
2022	13-1-1	1st	USL W Finals
2023	13-1-0	1st	Central Conf. Finals



COLETTE MONTGOMERY / 1 SEASON

YEAR	W/L	DIV.	PLAYOFFS
2024	10-1-2	1st	USL W 1st Round



JEN LARRICK / 2 SEASONS

YEAR	W/L	DIV.	PLAYOFFS
2025	12-1-2	1st	USL W Nat. Semifinals <i>Won Central Conf.</i>
2026	14-0-0	1st	Qual. USL W Playoffs <i>Won Heartland Div.</i> <i>Won Central Conf.</i>

2026 COACHING STAFF

JEN LARRICK
First Team Head Coach

ERIC ROSSITCH
Assistant Coach

MANÚ COSTA
Goalkeeper Coach

#00 | ISAAC RANSON (he/him) | GK | HT: 5'10



A two-time Big West Goalkeeper of the Year and one of the most decorated goalkeepers in Cal State Fullerton women's soccer history, Isaac Ranson joins Minnesota Aurora FC for his first season with the club in 2026. Ranson, a native of Ventura, California, arrives in Eagan after a five-year career with Cal State Fullerton, where he became the Titans' all-time leader in career saves, individual shutouts, and minutes played. Across his collegiate career, Ranson totaled 347 saves, 31 individual shutouts, and 6,934 minutes in goal.

2026 Stats:

APP: 4 | STARTS: 3 | MIN: 321 | SAVES: 4 | CLEAN SHEETS: 2 | GOALS ALLOWED: 0

#1 | TAYLOR FOX | GK | HT: 5'8



A five-year net minder out of the Southeastern Conference, Taylor Fox arrives in Eagan for her first season with Aurora FC in 2026. Fox, a native of Florida, joins following five seasons at the University of South Carolina, where she amassed 740 minutes in net for the Gamecocks and finished with a career 81% save percentage. Prior to arriving in Columbia, Fox rose through the academy of the NWSL's Orlando Pride. In 2016, Fox earned a call-up to the US U16 Women's National Team. In 2018, Fox trained with the Pride First Team, joining the club's main roster for a preseason friendly against Florida State University.

2026 Stats:

APP: 9 | STARTS: 8 | MIN: 714 | SAVES: 9 | CLEAN SHEETS: 5 | GOALS ALLOWED: 1

USL W Career Stats (Aurora FC, '26; Kings Hammer - Sun City, '25; Lexington, '24; Greenville, '23):

APP: 20 | STARTS: 18 | MIN: 1455 | SAVES: 30 | CLEAN SHEETS: 8 | GOALS ALLOWED: 20

#2 | GRACIE DUNAWAY | MF | HT: 5'4



A former four year starter in the Big Ten Conference, Gracie Dunaway arrives in Eagan for her first season with Aurora FC in 2026. Dunaway, a forward, spent 2021 through 2024 with Purdue University, becoming a day-one contributor for the Boilermakers upon arriving on campus. In four seasons, Dunaway started 65 of her 72 appearances, playing over 4,600 minutes and recording 40 points. Dunaway's 18 career goals still rank 10th-most in Purdue history. The Pennsylvania native is the older sister of Reese Dunaway, who spent the 2025 USL W League season with the Long Island Rough Riders.

2026 Stats:

APP: 9 | STARTS: 7 | MIN: 513 | GOALS: 2 | ASSISTS: 3 | POINTS: 7

#3 | KALO LONGI | DEF | HT: 5'7



A defensive stalwart out of NCAA Division I, Kalo Longi joins Aurora FC for her first season with the club in 2026. Longi arrives in Eagan on the heels of four highly productive seasons with Portland State University out of the Big Sky Conference, playing 5,180 career minutes across 69 matches. The Utah native started at least 16 matches in two of her four college campaigns. As a senior in 2025, Longi was once more a consistent face in the starting lineup, starting all 17 of her appearances, while playing 1,475 minutes. She again closed the season on a strong note, playing every minute of nine straight starts to end the season, this time landing on the All-Big Sky First Team.

2026 Stats:

APP: 12 | STARTS: 5 | MIN: 448 | GOALS: 1 | ASSISTS: 3 | POINTS: 5

#4 | OLIVIA ALBERT | DEF | HT: 5'6



A native of East Lansing, Michigan, Olivia Albert joins Aurora FC for her first season with the club in 2026. Albert, a defender, arrives in Eagan following four seasons at the University of Indiana, where she logged over 3,000 minutes across 54 career appearances. Prior to arriving in Bloomington, Albert was a standout for Midwest United at the club level, serving as the team's captain while also earning an invite to play in France during the 2018 Generation adidas Tournament.

2026 Stats:

APP: 12 | STARTS: 11 | MIN: 929 | GOALS: 0 | ASSISTS: 0 | POINTS: 0

USL W Career Stats (Aurora FC, '26; Midwest United, '22-'25):

APP: 48 | STARTS: 46 | MIN: 4,214 | GOALS: 1 | ASSISTS: 0 | POINTS: 2

#5 | SKYE LEACH | MF | HT: 5'7



A midfielder with a history of impactful play across multiple collegiate power conferences, Skye Leach joins for her first season with Aurora FC in 2026. Leach, originally from Texas, spent the first three seasons of her NCAA Division I career with Baylor, before transferring to Kentucky in 2025, where she was teammates with Aurora all-time leading scorer Cat Rapp. Over the course of four years, Leach racked up 5,597 minutes played, while starting 60 of her 75 appearances.

2026 Stats:

APP: 8 | STARTS: 6 | MIN: 557 | GOALS: 3 | ASSISTS: 2 | POINTS: 8

#7 | ANGELA GUTIERREZ | MF | HT: 5'2



Angela Gutierrez enters her second season with Aurora FC. Gutierrez, regarded as one of the Missouri Valley Conference's most prolific attacking midfielders, returns to Eagan following her debut season with the club in 2025. She appeared in 7 matches, starting four, contributing an assist for an Aurora side that claimed its fourth consecutive division title. Collegiately, Gutierrez has spent the past three seasons at NCAA Division I Drake University. The Minnesota native has recorded 56 total appearances for the Bulldogs, logging nearly 3,400 total minutes.

2026 Stats:

APP: 8 | STARTS: 3 | MIN: 348 | GOALS: 2 | ASSISTS: 0 | POINTS: 4

USL W Career Stats (Aurora FC, '25):

APP: 15 | STARTS: 7 | MIN: 705 | GOALS: 2 | ASSISTS: 1 | POINTS: 5

#8 | MAIA TABION | FWD | HT: 5'2



A former All-Ivy League Selection, Maia Tabion joins Aurora FC for her first season with the club in 2026. Tabion, a native of Washington, arrives in Eagan fresh off a four year career with Columbia University, logging 4,619 minutes with 29 total goal involvements. During the 2025 W League season, Tabion played for Salmon Bay FC, appearing in nine matches while playing 618 minutes. She chipped in three goal contributions last summer, including two assists. At the international level, Tabion has earned call-ups to the United States U15 and U18 Youth National Teams, helping the US win the 2016 CONCACAF U15 Championship.

2026 Stats:

APP: 11 | STARTS: 7 | MIN: 475 | GOALS: 3 | ASSISTS: 1 | POINTS: 7

USL W Career Stats (Aurora FC, '26; Salmon Bay, '25; FC Olympia, '23-'24):

APP: 32 | STARTS: 24 | MIN: 1922 | GOALS: 10 | ASSISTS: 6 | POINTS: 26

#9 | TALIA COURY | DEF | HT: 5'8



A center back with multiple youth international caps under her belt, Talia Coury heads to the Twin Cities for her first season with Minnesota Aurora FC. Coury, a rising junior from Phoenix, AZ, arrives fresh off two productive seasons for Idaho State University of the Big Sky Conference where she has seen over 2,300 minutes of action in a Bengals shirt. In October of the 2025 season, she earned a call-up to the Mexican U23 National Team camp in Finland, where she saw international action against both Denmark and Finland. She was later called back to the team to compete in February 2026. Coury became the second Bengal to feature in international play for Mexico, joining the program's second all-time leading scorer and the Mexico Senior National Team's María Sánchez.

2026 Stats:

APP: 6 | STARTS: 2 | MIN: 239 | GOALS: 2 | ASSISTS: 0 | POINTS: 4

#10 | KAITLYN SLOCUM | DEF | HT: –



A standout defender from NCAA Division I's Mountain West Conference, Kaitlyn Slocum joins Aurora FC for her first season with the club in 2026. Slocum, a native of Idaho, has spent the past three collegiate seasons with Boise State University, playing over 3,400 career minutes across 54 appearances, of which she has started 35 since her freshman campaign. In addition to all-league superlatives, Slocum was one of five Broncos to land on the United Soccer Coaches' All-Region Team in 2025, the only Boise State player to earn an All-Region First Team selection.

2026 Stats:

APP: 11 | STARTS: 2 | MIN: 288 | GOALS: 0 | ASSISTS: 0 | POINTS: 0

#11 | HAYLEE MERSEREAU | DEF | HT: 5'8



A defender out of NCAA Division I's Big 12 Conference, Haylee Mersereau arrives in the Twin Cities for her first season with Aurora FC in 2026. Mersereau, a native of Florida, spent her 2025 college season at University of Central Florida (UCF). Prior to that, Mersereau spent her first three seasons in the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) with University of Pittsburgh, from 2022 to 2024. At the club level, Mersereau was the no. 45 ranked defender in the country, earning a United States National Soccer Training invite in 2017. In 2021, Mersereau was invited to the US Youth National Team Identification Center.

2026 Stats:

APP: 11 | STARTS: 9 | MIN: 675 | GOALS: 0 | ASSISTS: 1 | POINTS: 1

#12 | FLAVIE DUBÉ | MF | HT: 5'6



A native of Ontario, Canada, Flavie Dubé will don an Aurora shirt for the first time in 2025. Dubé arrives in the Twin Cities via the University of Memphis, where she, along with teammate Ai Kitagawa, helped the Tigers claim the American Conference regular season title in 2025. Dubé was one of only five Tigers to start all 21 matches last NCAA season, playing 1,781 total minutes. Prior to arriving at Memphis, Dubé spent two years at Louisiana Tech of Conference USA, where she was selected as the 2022 conference Freshman of the Year, while also garnering All-Conference Second Team and All-Freshman Team honors that same season. Across 38-career appearances for the Lady Techsters, Dubé tallied seven goals with seven assists, while playing 2,390 minutes.

2026 Stats:

APP: 8 | STARTS: 6 | MIN: 517 | GOALS: 3 | ASSISTS: 3 | POINTS: 9

USL W Career Stats (Aurora FC, '26; South Georgia Tormenta, '25):

APP: 17 | STARTS: 12 | MIN: 1084 | GOALS: 6 | ASSISTS: 6 | POINTS: 18

#13 | KYRA KARFONTA | DEF | HT: 5'9



A highly touted defender out of the Atlantic 10 Conference, Kyra Karfonta joins Aurora FC for her first season with the club in 2026. Karfonta, originally from Michigan, has spent the last four seasons at the University of Dayton where she amassed 5,329 minutes played across 67 total appearances. As a senior in 2025, Karfonta put together her best season to-date, playing and starting a career high 22 matches en route to playing a career best 1,962 minutes. She posted four goals that season, all of which were match winners, helping her land on the All-Atlantic 10 Conference First Team, a career first. Karfonta also garnered A10 Defensive Player of the Year honors in 2025, the first time a Flyer has earned that award since the 2013 season.

2026 Stats:

APP: 9 | STARTS: 8 | MIN: 631 | GOALS: 0 | ASSISTS: 3 | POINTS: 3

USL W Career Stats (Aurora FC, '26; Detroit City FC, '25):

APP: 10 | STARTS: 8 | MIN: 667 | GOALS: 0 | ASSISTS: 3 | POINTS: 3

#15 | HANNAH BOUGHTON | MF | HT: 5'5



A versatile full back and midfielder with nearly 80 career NCAA Division I appearances, Hannah Boughton joins Aurora FC for her first season with the club in 2026. Boughton, a native of Texas, heads to Eagan following her senior season at University of Central Florida. Prior to her lone season at UCF, Boughton played a pair of seasons at Baylor University and began her career at University of Missouri. Her final college season in 2025 proved to be one of Boughton's best. The midfielder started 16 of her 21 appearances for the Knights, logging a single-season career high 1,458 minutes. She played every minute of seven matches that season, and started the final 12 straight matches along the back line after opening the season in the midfield. She closed the campaign with one goal, scoring in the NCAA Tournament opening round against Maine.

2026 Stats:

APP: 10 | STARTS: 8 | MIN: 741 | GOALS: 1 | ASSISTS: 0 | POINTS: 2

USL W Career Stats (Aurora FC, '26; FC Olympia, '24-'25):

APP: 24 | STARTS: 18 | MIN: 1667 | GOALS: 5 | ASSISTS: 1 | POINTS: 11

#17 | OLIVIA RUSH | MF | HT: 5'4



A day one starter in the NCAA's Big Ten Conference, Olivia Rush joins Aurora FC for the 2026 USL W League season. Rush, a midfielder and native of Michigan, has spent the last four college seasons with the University of Indiana, playing nearly 5,000 career minutes with 71 career appearances. 2025 saw Rush start all 17 of Indiana's matches en route to her registering a single-season career best 1,509 minutes, again finding the back of the net that season for her third career goal. Rush also recorded her first career assist during the 2025 season, when she tallied a first half assist against Bellarmine.

2026 Stats:

APP: 11 | STARTS: 6 | MIN: 572 | GOALS: 0 | ASSISTS: 0 | POINTS: 0

#18 | THALIA MORISI | MF | HT: 5'4



A midfielder with nearly 4,000 career minutes at the NCAA Division I level, Thalia Morisi heads to Minnesota for her first season with Aurora FC in 2026. Morisi, a native of New York, arrives in Eagan after spending the 2024 and 2025 college seasons at University of Kentucky. Prior to her time in Lexington, Morisi played two seasons at Old Dominion from 2022 to 2023. In 2025, Morisi's senior season, the midfielder put together her best at the college level to date. Morisi started and played in a career high 21 matches, logging 1,737 minutes. Her seven goals, also a career best, finished tied with former Aurora forward Cat Rapp for most on the team. That duo helped Kentucky post a 12 win season in 2025, ultimately earning a spot in that year's NCAA Tournament.

2026 Stats:

APP: 10 | STARTS: 8 | MIN: 534 | GOALS: 3 | ASSISTS: 1 | POINTS: 7

USL W Career Stats (Aurora FC, '26; Long Island, '25; FA Euro NY, '23):

APP: 23 | STARTS: 17 | MIN: 1602 | GOALS: 4 | ASSISTS: 1 | POINTS: 9

#20 | JEANETTE FIELDSSEND | MF | HT: 5'2

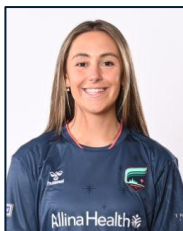


A standout at both the collegiate and national team levels, Jeanette Fieldsend arrives in Eagan for her first season with Aurora FC in 2026. Fieldsend, a native of North Carolina, spent her first three college seasons at NCAA Division I James Madison, seeing minutes in two campaigns, while redshirting during 2024. Following the 2025 season, Fieldsend announced her intentions to transfer to Saint Louis University, where she will have two years of eligibility. Fieldsend's career extends beyond the ranks of college soccer. Since 2016, she has been a member of the United States Futsal National Team. In 2025, Fieldsend was part of the 14-player roster that represented the US at the CONCACAF Women's Futsal Championship.

2026 Stats:

APP: 12 | STARTS: 4 | MIN: 391 | GOALS: 3 | ASSISTS: 3 | POINTS: 9

#21 | JELENA ZBILJIC | DEF | HT: 5'5



2025 Team Captain Jelena Zbiljic has been a consistent face in Aurora's lineup since the inaugural season, appearing in 45 of 57 matches. Zbiljic returned to Aurora for the 2025 season, suiting up in 13 matches and starting 8, helping the club to its fourth straight Heartland Division crown. Under Zbiljic's captaincy, Aurora would reach the National Semifinal of the USL W League playoffs, the club's first such appearance since 2023. At the college level, Zbiljic spent three seasons at the University of Minnesota, where she transferred after three seasons at the University of Illinois-Chicago. In 2024, Zbiljic started all 22 matches for the Gophers en route to UMN's first NCAA Tournament appearance since 2018. Zbiljic helped take the Minnesota squad to the Round of 16, a first for the program in 14 seasons.

2026 Stats:

APP: 5 | STARTS: 2 | MIN: 250 | GOALS: 1 | ASSISTS: 0 | POINTS: 2

USL W Career Stats (Aurora FC, '22-'26):

APP: 51 | STARTS: 25 | MIN: 2641 | GOALS: 4 | ASSISTS: 1 | POINTS: 9

#25 | HADLI BARRERA | MF | HT: 5'8



A hybrid forward/midfielder at the NCAA Division I level, Hadlie Barrera dons an Aurora FC kit for her first season with the club in 2026. Barrera, a rising sophomore, spent her first college season at Utah State University, helping the Aggies to a 10 win season and a return trip to the NCAA Tournament. As a freshman in 2025, Barrera was an immediate contributor on the pitch, appearing in 23 matches overall, playing 735 minutes. She finished her inaugural season with five goals, while posting eight goal contributions overall.

2026 Stats:

APP: 11 | STARTS: 3 | MIN: 401 | GOALS: 1 | ASSISTS: 0 | POINTS: 2

#31 | AI KITAGAWA | MF | HT: 5'4



A former Japanese youth national team call-up and the top midfielder in the American Athletic Conference, Ai Kitagawa joins Aurora FC for her first season in 2026. A native of Itami City in Japan, Kitagawa attends the University of Memphis, where she has spent the last two seasons, logging over 2,500 minutes while scoring 16 career goals to go along with 11 career assists. Prior to arriving in Memphis, Kitagawa was twice named Player of the Year at Osaka Gakugei Senior High School in Japan and earned a call-up to the Japan U15 Youth National Team's training camp.

2026 Stats:

APP: 11 | STARTS: 10 | MIN: 785 | GOALS: 11 | ASSISTS: 5 | POINTS: 27

#41 | CAPRIEL WINDER | DEF | HT: 5'3



A defender and native of Utah, Capriel Winder dons Aurora teal for the first time in 2026. Winder, a rising sophomore, spent 2025 at Utah State University, logging nearly 1,700 minutes across 19 appearances for the Aggies. The other half of USU's Winder sister duo was a crucial piece of Utah State's 10-win campaign a season ago, helping the Aggies reach for the third straight season. In October, Winder received a call-up to the US U-20 Women's National Team training camp ahead of the FIFA U-20 World Cup. At the prep level, Winder is a former three time All-State Utah selection, garnering First Team honors in consecutive seasons to close out her high school career, finishing with 55 total goal contributions in four seasons.

2026 Stats:

APP: 10 | STARTS: 7 | MIN: 611 | GOALS: 0 | ASSISTS: 1 | POINTS: 1

#52 | AMELIA BROWN | MF | HT: 5'10



A defensive midfielder with nearly 70 games of Division I experience under her belt, Amelia Brown arrives in Eagan for her first season with Aurora FC. Brown joins the club following two seasons with the UNC-Charlotte 49ers, captaining that squad during the 2025 campaign. That season saw Brown tally a single-season career best three goals, while starting all 18 matches for Charlotte. Prior to her pair of seasons in the Queen City, Brown spent 2 years at the University of Minnesota, featuring in 32 total matches for the Gophers. Over the course of the 2022 and 2023 seasons, Brown played nearly 2,000 total minutes and contributed 3 points. In the USL W League, the college standout suited up for NC Courage U23s – the W League affiliate of the NWSL's North Carolina Courage – during the league's inaugural season in 2022, where she played in 10 matches.

2026 Stats:

APP: 12 | STARTS: 6 | MIN: 369 | GOALS: 1 | ASSISTS: 0 | POINTS: 2

USL W Career Stats (Aurora FC, '26; NC Courage U23s, '22-'25):

APP: 61 | STARTS: 44 | MIN: 3759 | GOALS: 1 | ASSISTS: 1 | POINTS: 3

Clean as a Whistle

While Aurora’s clean sheet streak came to an end against River Light in June, they still lead the USL W League in shutouts this season with 12.

Over the last 29 matches, Aurora have only conceded seven total goals and have not conceded more than a single goal at any point in that stretch of play.

Commanding the Conference

Entering the playoffs, Aurora found itself near the top of the Central Conference in a number of categories: 1st in goals (37), 1st in goals against (1) and 3rd in shots on target (102).

Aurora didn’t just light up the conference leaderboard, either. Heading into the postseason, Aurora were tied with Real Colorado for fewest goals conceded in the league.

Closing Time

Gracie Dunaway’s match winner in the Central Conference Final last week, scored in 90’+2’, marked the latest match-winning goal in club history.

All Ai’s on Me

Since debuting for Aurora back in late May, Ai Kitagawa continues to turn heads in the W League, entering the playoffs tied for 2nd in the league’s Golden Boot race.

With a brace against Rally Madison, Kitagawa became the 4th player in club history with multiple multi-goal matches, joining Morgan Turner (2022), Maya Hansen (2022-2024) and Cat Rapp (2022-2025). Her three multi-goal matches are the most by a player in a single season in Aurora history.

#BrighterTogether

Aurora’s high-octane attack is no stranger to multi-goal matches, having scored at least 2 goals in a match 53 times in club history.

2026 has been no exception: Aurora have scored at least 2 goals in 11 of 14 matches this year, having scored at least 5 goals on three occasions.

Run the Road

All-time, Aurora FC have gone unbeaten in 32 true road fixtures (including playoffs), winning 29 matches away from the Twin Cities. Entering Saturday, have won 9 straight away matches.

Re-Writing the Record Book

Aurora FC once again made history in 2026, rolling into the postseason on the heels of the club’s second-ever perfect season and the first since 2023.

In addition to a perfect record, Aurora conceded the fewest goals in a single season in club history (1). With an appearance in the season finale, Jelena Zbiljic became the club’s all-time leader in appearances. A win Saturday would make Jen Larrick the winningest manager in club history.

2026 HEARTLAND DIVISION TABLE		PTS
1 - Minnesota Aurora FC	x y z	36
2 - Edgewater Castle FC	e	21
3 - River Light FC	e	19
4 - Sioux Falls City FC	e	17
5 - Rockford Raptors FC	e	16
6 - Rally Madison FC	e	13
7 - RKC Third Coast	e	8
8 - Rochester FC	e	5
e - eliminated x - clinched division y - clinched playoffs z - clinched top seed		

For Community. By Community.

Minnesota Aurora was founded by a group of Twin Cities residents and announced in June 2021 as a founding member of the new USL W League, which serves as the country's premier pre-professional league developing the next generation of women's talent, both on and off the field.

The USL W League is made up of the very best amateur and aspiring professional players in the country. Our team features top college players, as well as women playing professionally overseas who are looking for a way to grow their game.

The team's initial community ownership campaign in 2021 raised \$1 million from 3080 community investors from 48 states and several countries. Those investors chose the team name and crest, and they have two representatives on the team's governing board.

In 2024, Aurora launched a second community ownership campaign, which raised an additional \$850,000 from 2,257 new owners. The second campaign's success officially made Aurora the largest community-owned women's soccer club in the United States.

Since 2022, Aurora has set attendance records in the USLW averaging over 5300 fans per game at its home TCO Stadium at Viking Lakes. The team has never lost a regular season match and has won the Heartland Division in each of the last four seasons.

ALL-TIME GOALS

CAT RAPP	25
MARIAH NGUYEN	19
MAYA HANSEN	16
SOPHIE FRENCH	14
HANNAH ADLER	11
AI KITAGAWA	11
KATIE DUONG	9

ALL-TIME SAVES

TAYLOR KANE	49
SARAH FULLER	28
AMANDA POORBAUGH	20
TAYLOR FOX	14
NADIA COOPER	10

ALL-TIME APPEARANCES

JELENA ZBILJIC	53
CAT RAPP	51
MARIAH NGUYEN	50
ADDY WEICHERS	37
MORGAN STONE	36

ALL-TIME POINTS

CAT RAPP	67
MARIAH NGUYEN	50
MAYA HANSEN	38
SOPHIE FRENCH	31
KATIE DUONG	29
HANNAH ADLER	28
AI KITAGAWA	27

ALL-TIME CLEAN SHEETS

TAYLOR KANE	12
AMANDA POORBAUGH	7
SARAH FULLER	6
TAYLOR FOX	6
NADIA COOPER	4

ALL-TIME GK APP.

TAYLOR KANE	30
AMANDA POORBAUGH	13
SARAH FULLER	13
TAYLOR FOX	11
NADIA COOPER	5

Aurora FC: A Pathway to the Pros

Starting with the club's first-ever player to turn pro – Morgan Turner – in 2022, Minnesota Aurora FC has become a consistent producer of professional soccer talent, both domestically and across the globe.

Since the club's inaugural season, 25 Aurora FC alumnae have gone on to sign professional contracts, including a club-record 9 players from the 2025 roster.

The Aurora badge has been represented by its former players in 16 countries, including the United States, where five Aurora FC players have gone on to complete the USL's professional pathway by signing contracts with USL Super League clubs. Of those five, four are currently active in the league, while three call themselves teammates once again (Charley Boone, Cat Rapp, Maya Hansen).

In 2024, Aurora had its first player selected in a professional draft, when the Portland Thorns of the National Women's Soccer League (NWSL) selected Kelsey Kaufusi 25th overall.

Two former Aurora players have gone on to join NWSL rosters since finishing their time in Eagan: Kaufusi and goalkeeper Nadia Cooper, who signed with the Houston Dash during the 2025 NWSL season.

Aurora FC has also been represented on the international stage, with Hannah Adler spending the last three seasons with the United States' Beach National Team.

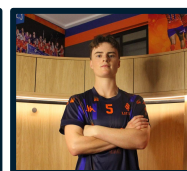
Aurora's professional pathway extends beyond players. In 2025, Spokane Zephyr of the USL Super League named former Aurora FC manager Nicole Lukic as the club's first-ever permanent manager.



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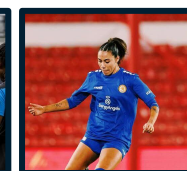
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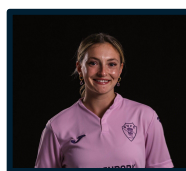
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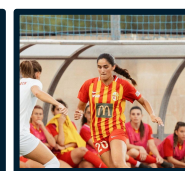
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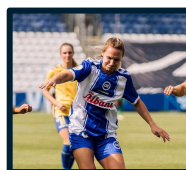
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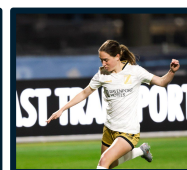
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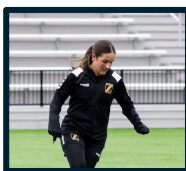
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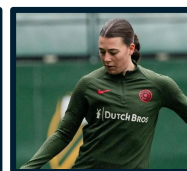
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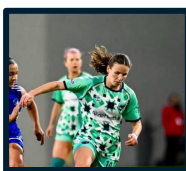
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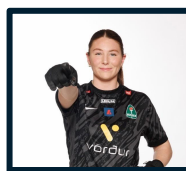
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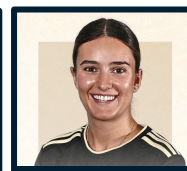
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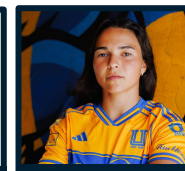
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TCO Stadium - Eagan, Minnesota

In 2022, Minnesota Aurora FC announced its partnership with MV Ventures to play all home matches at TCO Stadium in Eagan. Beginning with their inaugural season in May 2022, Aurora has called TCO Stadium home ever since.

The stadium, which is a part of the Vikings Lakes campus and adjacent to the Minnesota Vikings headquarters, provides Minnesota Aurora with a first-class facility for fans and players. The partnership includes full access to the locker rooms, press box, VIP areas, concessions and more than 2,500 parking spaces, plus Twin Cities Orthopedics medical facilities and Training Haus next door.

TCO Stadium seats approximately 5,500 with an ability to expand with temporary seating. On July 1 2023, Aurora set a stadium attendance record of 6,987 fans.



Aurora fans in attendance for a home match at TCO Stadium during the 2022 USL W League season.



AURORA HOME RECORD, BY SEASON

SEASON	RECORD	GOAL DIFFERENCE	PLAYOFF RECORD
2022	5-0-1	+13 (17 GF/4 GA)	2-1-0
2023	6-0-0	+36 (38 GF/2 GA)	n/a
2024	6-0-0	+24 (27 GF/3 GA)	n/a
2025	5-0-1	+14 (15 GF/1 GA)	0-1-0
2026	6-0-0	+24 (25 GF/1 GA)	–

2025 Match-by-Match Attendance

May 22 vs. Rochester FC - 5,219
June 6 vs. Sioux Falls City SC - 5,132
June 8 vs. RKC Third Coast - 5,064
June 12 vs. Dutch Lions - 4,372
June 22 vs. River Light FC - 6,016
June 28 vs. Rochester FC - 5,944
July 12 vs. Utah United* - 6,200