



CD Marathon (HON) vs. L.A Firpo (SLV)

Group B, Estadio Olímpico Metropolitano, San Pedro Sula, August 21, 2024

They will face each other for the first time in their history in any Concacaf club tournament.

For Marathón, this will be their 15th official match against Salvadoran clubs, in which they have achieved 8 wins, 3 draws, and 3 losses. The last time they faced a Salvadoran team was in the preliminary round of the 2008-09 Scotiabank Concacaf Champions League, on September 3, 2008, when they defeated Isidro Metapán 2-1, with goals from the late Juan Carlos García and Carlos Wil Mejía, while Gabriel Garcete scored for Isidro Metapán.

For Luis Ángel Firpo, this will be their 16th official match against a Honduran club, where they have won 7 times, drawn 5 times, and lost 3 times.

The last time Luis Ángel Firpo faced a Honduran opponent was in Group 7 of the 2013-14 Scotiabank Concacaf Champions League, where they defeated CD Victoria of La Ceiba 4-1, with goals from Xavier García, a brace from Anel Canales, and Medardo Guevara. Darixon Vuelto, who now plays for Real España of Honduras, scored for CD Victoria.



CD Marathon (HON)

CD Marathón, coached by Argentine **Hernán Medina**, will seek their first victory in the tournament after losing their first two away games.

CD Marathón is the third Honduran club to lose their first two matches in their tournament debut, following Olancho FC and Real España in 2023.

The runner-up of Honduran football League has been unable to win in a Concacaf club tournament for 5 matches, all of which resulted in losses. Their last victory was in the Round of 16 of the 2021 Scotiabank Concacaf League, where they defeated Real Estelí 2-0 with goals from Mario Martínez and Brayan Castillo.

Top Scorers in the CCAC: Kenny Bodden (HON) 1, Alexy Vega (HON).

Saves in the CCAC: César Samudio (PAN) 9.

CCAC 2024 Record: GP-2 W-0 D-0 L-2 (2GF-5GA).

Goal-scoring chances (18). Shots on target (8).

Players to watch:

Alexy Vega (HON). Scored a free-kick goal against Comunicaciones. The forward also has 3 shots, 58 passes, and 3 recoveries in his 2 appearances. He was the top scorer in the last Honduran football season with (14) goals.

Iván López (HON). He has 8 appearances in the Central American Cup as a player for FC Motagua and CD Marathón. The forward has also played in 20 international matches (1 goal in the CCAC in 2023 vs. Verdes FC as a player for FC Motagua). Chino López has played in both matches for Marathón in the 2024 edition.

Yeer Gutiérrez (HON). Debuted in the 1-2 loss against Comunicaciones FC. The right-back made 22 passes with 100% accuracy.



CD LA Firpo (SLV)

Luis Ángel Firpo will seek their first victory in the history of the CCAC (1D-2L). They have scored and conceded goals in every match.

LA Firpo comes off two consecutive defeats in which they managed to score 5 goals (conceding 9).

Luis Ángel Firpo reached two consecutive defeats, matching CD Águila, who lost 1-4 against Comunicaciones FC (GUA) and 3-0 against Real España (HON), both in 2023. The record for consecutive defeats by Salvadoran clubs is held by CD FAS and Jocoro FC, who lost all 4 matches in 2023.

Their last victory in a Concacaf club tournament was the 4-1 win against CD Victoria of Honduras in Group 7 of the 2013-14 Scotiabank Concacaf Champions League. Goals were scored by Darixon Vuelto for CD Victoria; Xavier García, Anel Canales (2), and Medardo Guevara for Luis Ángel Firpo.

Top Scorers in the CCAC: Gustavo Souza (BRA) 3, Styven Vásquez (SLV) 3, Diego Flores (SLV) 1.

Assists in the CCAC: Mauricio Cerritos (SLV) 2, Styven Vásquez (SLV) 2, Ken Sandoval (SLV) 1.

Saves in the CCAC: Wilberth Hernández (SLV) 7.

CCAC 2024 Record: GP-3 W-0 D-1 L-2 (GF-6 GA-10).

Goal-scoring chances (50). Shots on target (29).

Players to watch:

Gustavo Souza (BRA). He has scored in all three matches for LA Firpo (vs. Comunicaciones, Alajuelense, and Alianza FC). In the last match, he made (5) shots.

Styven Vásquez (SLV). He has been involved in the team's last 5 goals in the CCAC 2024 (vs. Alajuelense and Alianza FC with 3 goals scored and 2 assists). He has 15 shots in his 3 appearances (6 of those shots were on target).

Mauricio Cerritos (SLV). Provided assists in the first two matches of the CCAC 2024. He has made 125 passes in 289 minutes on the pitch.