

2024 Concacaf Champions Cup

Cavalry FC (CAN) vs. Orlando City SC (USA)

Wednesday, February 21, 2024 Starlight Stadium, Langford, CAN

These two teams will face each other for the first time in the Concacaf Champions League and in their history.



Cavalry FC (CAN)

Cavalry have qualified for the 2024 CONCACAF Champions Cup as the regular season Champions of the 2023 Canadian Premier League. It will be Cavalry's first ever appearance in the CONCACAF Champions Cup.

Cavalry are just the second team from the CPL to compete in the Champions Cup, joining 2022 and 2024 participants Forge FC.

Cavalry led all CPL teams in both major categories during the 28-game season, scoring the most goals with 46 and conceding the fewest goals with just 27.

Foundation Year: May 5, 2018.

Players to Watch:

Myer Bevan (NZL). He was one of Cavalry's top scorers in the Canadian Premier League 2023 with 11 goals in 29 appearances.

Ali Musse (SOM). The Somalia-born forward scored 7 goals in 28 matches in the last season of the Canadian Premier League. He scored 1 goal in the final against Forge FC. He was involved in his team's last 3 goals in the 2023 Canadian Championship's final stage (2 goals and 1 assist).

William Akio (SSD). The Kenyan-born player (naturalized South Sudanese) had one of the best goal-scoring averages in the Canadian championship. He scored 5 goals in 13 matches in the Canadian Premier League 2023.



Orlando City SC have qualified for the 2024 CONCACAF Champions Cup by finishing as the second-place team in the Supporters Shield standings. However, Orlando City SC could still participate in the 2024 Champions Cup as 2023 MLS Cup winners.

The Florida-based side fought valiantly in their 2023 Round of 16 series with Liga MX heavyweights and 2020 Champions Cup winners Tigres, ultimately getting eliminated on the away goal tiebreaker after a 1-1 draw on aggregate.

Appearances in the Concacaf Champions League since 1962: 2 (2023, 2024).

Debut: 2023 (Round of 16).

Last Participation: 2023 (Round of 16).

Record in the Concacaf Champions League since 1962: GP-2 W-0 D-2 L-0 (GF-1 GA-1)

Goals in the CCL: Ercan Kara (AUT) 1.

Players with most appearances in the CCL: Ramiro Enrique (ARG) 2, Pedro Gallese (PER) 2, Gastón González (ARG) 2, Iván Angulo (COL) 2, César Araújo (URU) 2, Rodrigo Schlegel (ARG) 2, Robin Jansson (SWE) 2, M Halliday (USA) 2, Martín Ojeda (ARG) 2, Mauricio Pereyra (URU) 2, Facundo Torres (URU) 2, Dagur Thorhallsson (ISL) 2, Luca Petrasso (CAN) 2.

Orlando City in the CCL: Has only scored one goal, kept 1 clean sheet, conceded goals in 1 match, and has never drawn with a scoreline of 0-0.

Players to Watch:

Pedro Gallese (PER). Finished the 2023 MLS season with 94 saves and 12 clean sheets. Faced Tigres UANL in the round of 16 of the SCCL 2023 where he made 17 saves.

Facundo Torres (URU). Scored 14 goals and had 75 shots in his 33 matches in the 2023 MLS season. Played in both matches in the round of 16 of the SCCL 2023 against Tigres UANL.

Duncan McGuire (USA). Scored 13 goals in 32 appearances in the Major League Soccer (MLS) 2023 season. Was part of the roster in the SCCL 2023.