

SEASONS OF TRIUMPH



5-YEAR PROFILE: REEDY RIVER RIOT

The Reedy River Riot – and the Greenville Triumph, for that matter – can trace its origins to seven people and a Change.org petition that started in July 2017.

“We had caught wind that USL Division III was sniffing around Greenville,” Reedy River Riot President Andrew Phillips said. “We were like, ‘Well, none of us have the capital to have a team, but we would love for them to come by and see how great Greenville was.’”

The petition created by Phillips earned nearly immediate success, garnering thousands of signatures and receiving coverage from local news outlets. A social media hashtag, “#usl2gvl”, also quickly gained traction amongst Upstate soccer supporters to bring a professional team to the region.

Their efforts were rewarded the next spring, when the league – which has since changed its name to USL League One – formally announced that the city was awarded a team that would compete in its inaugural season. Phillips and the supporters who helped with the petition were there in attendance.

“[The club] invited us to be there, and that was really exciting,” Phillips said. “The seven of us were sitting in the back of this conference room that they made the announcement in just giggling to ourselves like, ‘This is amazing.’”

Since day one of the Greenville Triumph’s existence – and even before then – the Reedy River Riot has served a dual purpose: to be the club’s most vocal supporters on and off the pitch, while also helping to build a thriving soccer community in the Upstate.

The Riot’s presence at home matches is an ever-present part of Triumph home matches, as their chants, drums, flags and smoke bombs add energy to the stadium atmosphere. While the group takes pride in being the loudest fans at each match, they are equally proud of the engagement they have with both the club and other local fans.

“When you come to a game, you know where the Riot is, and you know exactly who it is. Part of the game day environment is watching the game and watching us in the corner, so I think we’ve established ourselves that way,” Phillips said. “We’re always trying to interact with each other, the club, and the league itself to try and

increase visibility and hype around it.”

Members of the group are constantly engaging with fans of other League One clubs as well, which has led to the creation of multiple passionate rivalries. While the Peach States Derby – contested between Triumph and South Georgia Tormenta – was formally recognized this year, the club’s first official rivalry against Union Omaha, called the “Battle of the Belt,” has been going on for multiple seasons.

Some of the most fulfilling relationships the Riot have fostered, Phillips said, are with the Triumph players themselves. He added that supporting the Triumph squad is one of the Riot’s most important responsibilities.

“These kids have dedicated their lives to the sport – and they’re not being paid millions of dollars to do this and pursue their dreams – so we owe them the support,” Phillips said. “They’re dedicating their time, their bodies, to make this something special, so we want to make sure that they know how much it’s appreciated.”

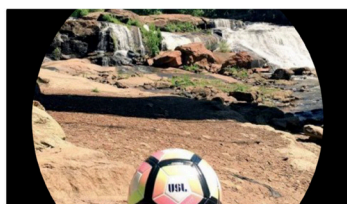
At its core, though, the Riot provides soccer fans from across the Upstate – regardless of their background, career path, or other factor – the opportunity to bond over a common interest, something that Phillips said has provided him with lifelong friends.

“My best friends are now people I would not have met had it not been for soccer, and this club has been the catalyst of building these lifelong friendships,” Phillips said. “It’s bringing together a community of people who are not like-minded or have the same things, but they all come together behind the crest and become one big, happy family.”

Phillips, who has served as president since 2018, has seen the Reedy River Riot grow alongside the Greenville Triumph since its inception. As he looks towards future, he said “the sky’s the limit” for the Upstate supporters group.

“We like to think that we’re just beginning and hopefully setting the standard of what soccer fandom in the Upstate will be in the future. We want to build something that’ll last so when we leave, you know it’s going to continue to thrive in someone else’s hands,” Phillips said. “As long as the Triumph exists, so will the Riot.”

Petition to bring a USL D3 team to Greenville, SC



JUNE 30, 2017

Efforts to bring a professional soccer franchise to Greenville formally began on this day in 2017, when current Reedy River Riot President Andrew Phillips created a petition on Change.org, which garnered nearly 1,000 signatures. Hundreds of “#usl2gvl” posts on social media also helped to put the league on notice about the city’s interest in a team. The collaboration between Phillips and other Upstate soccer supporters laid down the foundation for what would become the Reedy River Riot, the Triumph’s independent supporters’ group.



AUGUST 9, 2018

Formerly known as Greenville Pro Soccer, the club announced its name would be Greenville Triumph Soccer Club “as a testament to the community’s indomitable spirit and the region’s ability to overcome adversity to transform itself into an enviable place to live.” The Triumph’s crest featured green and navy blue colors as well as depictions of the Blue Ridge Mountains and rivers that flow through the Upstate.

2017-2018

Months of campaigning were rewarded when the upstart United Soccer League Division III announced that Greenville had acquired a franchise that would compete in the league’s inaugural season the next year. “We are thrilled to be a part of the USL’s new Division III league and to bring professional soccer to our community,” Triumph Majority Owner Joe Erwin said.

MARCH 13, 2018



The Triumph made their first technical staff hire in John Harkes, who was brought on to serve as the club’s first head coach and sporting director. Before the hire, Harkes boasted a wealth of experience, both as a player (he played in two World Cups and captaining the United States men’s national team for four years) and a coach (he held similar role with then-USL club FC Cincinnati).

AUGUST 27, 2018





JANUARY 4, 2019

Greenville kicked off the new year by making its first player signing – Tyler Polak, a defender from Lincoln, Nebraska, who previously played for Saint Louis FC in the USL. The Creighton alumnus and former MLS SuperDraft pick has been a mainstay in the Triumph's back line since the club's inaugural season and currently serves as a team captain.



APRIL 6, 2019

The Greenville Triumph registered three more "firsts" one week later as the team not only played in their first home match at Legacy Early College, but also scored its first goal and earned its first win. Jake Keegan's strike in the 53rd minute and Kevin Politz's 85th-minute header helped Greenville seal a 2-1 comeback victory over Lansing Ignite FC.

2019

The Triumph and soon-to-be rivals South Georgia Tormenta FC participated in the first USL League One regular season match in Statesboro, Georgia, at Erik Russell Stadium. Although Greenville started its inaugural campaign with a 1-0 defeat, the match was a culmination of over a year of preparation and excitement.

MARCH 29, 2019



This day also marked the first appearance of the Triumph car, which has been widely recognized as the club's unofficial mascot. The car quickly became a staple at match days, and a line of merchandise featuring an animated version of the car was created in 2023.

APRIL 6, 2019



5-YEAR PROFILE: TYLER POLAK

When Tyler Polak was recruited by John Harkes – his former coach at FC Cincinnati – about the opportunity to join the Greenville Triumph, he was immediately invested in the club, despite his unfamiliarity with the Upstate.

“I had no idea where Greenville was or what it was about, but I knew John and his project in his Cincinnati, and that turned out well, so I was keen and excited to work with him again,” Polak said. “With John, he always brings the best out of you. I think the best thing as a player is to have a coach who believes in you and wants you on the team, so it made it very easy when John approached me.”

Polak became the first player signing in club history soon after his phone call with Harkes, and since then has seen the Triumph grow to new heights, while experiencing personal growth as well.

A pillar in the Triumph defense since day one, Polak played an integral role in the club’s rapid ascent during its first two seasons, picking up USL League One All-League First Team accolades both years. The Triumph turned a roster that was “bare bones” when Polak joined into a title-winning squad that recovered from both a championship loss the previous year and a global pandemic to reach the mountaintop in 2020.

Polak said the moment the team heard that that season’s USL League One Final had been cancelled – and Greenville was subsequently awarded the title – is what he will always remember after a difficult offseason and beginning to 2020.

“We got the news after our Friday [training] session that [the final] was going



to be cancelled and we were going to be crowned champions, so coming back into the locker room and celebrating with the guys was one of the most special moments I’ve been with as a part of the club,” Polak said. “The year before, we went to the final and lost, so that one hurt. We had a point to prove, and I think everyone came together through this adversity to bring the title home.”

While that season will always hold a special place in his heart, Polak has marveled at the comradery and dedication to winning the squad has developed each campaign.

“Every team has been a little bit different, but everyone’s been on the same page, and that’s been beneficial to our success,” Polak said. “Everyone’s main goal is to win a championship, and no one’s selfishly doing things for themselves – they’re doing it for each other.”

One way Polak has showcased his selflessness is through his role as team captain, a position he was appointed to by Harkes during the club’s inaugural season (along with veteran midfielder Aaron Walker). Polak said he has embraced the role since then.

“I’m usually pretty quiet – on the field, I like to show my work, rather than speak it – so for me, it was a new challenge and some different shoes to fill,” Polak said. “I’ve been trying to focus more on the team and less on myself because I know even if I’m having a good game, maybe those guys aren’t, and I need to pick them up and be a better leader for them – not just to pick up the slack, but to make them better as a whole.”

What makes his personal growth more unique, Polak said, is that the club has grown along with him. He described his experience with the team as a “crazy roller coaster ride that I couldn’t be happier to be on” and expressed gratitude to everyone who has supported him and his teammates along the way.

“On the soccer side of things, it’s been huge. The amount that has happened since we came here – a potential new stadium, new facilities, the crowds we’ve gotten, and also the women’s team – it’s been incredible,” Polak said. “It’s been fun to see, like your child, just watching it grow, and being a part of it is very special.”





MAY 18, 2019

Greenville's first taste of U.S. Open Cup action against League One foes South Georgia Tormenta created a moment that lives on in the hearts and minds of the Greenville Triumph faithful. Cole Seiler's close-range finish in the 75th minute and subsequent leap into the stands behind the goal – dubbed the “Legacy Leap” – vaulted the Triumph to a 1-0 win and a berth to the second round of the tournament. (photo by Brittany Hildreth)



OCTOBER 12-19, 2019

After finishing the regular season third in the standings, Greenville reached the inaugural edition of the USL League One Playoffs. The Triumph earned a 1-0 road win over Lansing Ignite to earn a spot in the league final, where they fell to North Texas SC by the same score line.

2019

In a regular season match against FC Tucson, midfielder Carlos Gomez etched his name in the Greenville Triumph history books by recording the first hat trick in club history. Gomez's strikes in the 13th, 21st, and 87th minutes powered the team to a 4-0 victory over the Arizonian side and kickstarted a three-match winning streak.

SEPTEMBER 13, 2019



Following a spectacular year between the sticks, goalkeeper Dallas Jaye became the first (of many) Greenville Triumph players to earn an individual end-of-season honor. Jaye's league-leading 0.78 goals against average and 14 clean sheets not only earned him a Golden Glove and a Goalkeeper of the Year Award, but also a spot on the USL League One All-League First Team.

OCTOBER 28, 2019





MARCH 11, 2020

In partnership with Greenville's Brewery 85, the Triumph launched a new product: Riot Blonde Ale, a co-branded beer that honors both the club and the Reedy River Riot. "They're good friends of ours, and we've wanted to do something like this for years," Triumph Chief Brand Officer Doug Erwin said. "We're excited to give fans a unique way to engage with our team."



OCTOBER 3, 2020

Greenville clinched its second consecutive USL League One Finals appearance after a 0-0 draw between Forward Madison and FC Tucson. The Triumph would go 1-1-1 over its final three matches to finish the regular season with an 11-3-2 record, good for first place in the league standings and the opportunity to host the final.

2020

Triumph soccer returned to Legacy Early College for the first time in 302 days as the club played in its first match after a long delay stemming from the COVID-19 pandemic. Greenville followed up a 2-0 win at Fort Lauderdale CF the week before with a 3-2 win over the Richmond Kickers, beginning their 2020 campaign on the right foot.

JULY 25, 2020



It was not until the latter stages of the 2020 season that the Triumph and Union Omaha engaged in the initial match of the team's first-ever major rivalry – the "Battle of the Belt", which was created by the Reedy River Riot and supporters of the Nebraskan side. As part of the rivalry, a green belt is awarded to supporters of the winning team and changes hands whenever the other team is victorious.

OCTOBER 18, 2020



OCTOBER 29-30, 2020

On a day that was multiple years in the making, the Greenville Triumph were officially crowned 2020 USL League One champions based on regular season performance the day before the championship was set to take place. The USL League One Final originally was scheduled for October 30 but was cancelled due to a COVID-19 outbreak in the Union Omaha squad.

The next day, Triumph players and technical staff had the opportunity to celebrate their championship in front of their fans in Legacy Early College. “You think about the work we put in all year long, and it culminates in us getting the chance to lift a cup and be recognized for the efforts,” Triumph Head Coach John Harkes said. “It’s a fantastic feeling, and I’m so proud of the players.”





NOVEMBER 13, 2020

The club's championship celebrations continued two weeks later when Greenville Mayor Knox White officially designated this day as "Greenville Triumph Day." White's proclamation was made in front of Triumph players, coaches, staff, and fans in NOMA Square.



5-YEAR PROFILE: EVAN LEE

Evan Lee's start to 2020, like nearly everyone else's, could be summarized in one word: "difficult." By year's end, though, he would describe it as "such a positive year" for him and his family after his brother got engaged and Lee helped the Greenville Triumph earn their first USL League One title in club history.

The Triumph were in the midst of preseason preparations for their sophomore campaign when sports competitions around the globe were abruptly halted due to the rapid spread of COVID-19.

"We're all excited and ready to go, and then all of a sudden, everything shuts down," Lee said. "I remember sitting in the locker room watching March Madness and seeing players walk off the court, and I just remember thinking, 'Is this going to happen to us?'"

That is exactly what happened on March 12, when the league announced it would temporarily suspend its season. Lee said the months following that announcement were a struggle for him, so he relied heavily on soccer and his teammates to get through those unprecedented times.

"Having soccer was a savior. [COVID-19] was scary, and it was crazy, but it was nice to have a group of guys around to lean on and hang out with – not every day because of rules and things like that – but we were able to do some individual and small group training, and I think that was really helpful."

Strong support from Lee's family, notably through one of his father's famous



phrases, also helped relieve some of the stressful burden.

"Something my dad says to me all the time is, 'The cream will always rise,'" Lee said. "No matter if you're going through a tough time or a tough part of the season, the cream will always rise, and if you put in the work, it'll show."

That year, the "rising cream" came in the form of a championship trophy as Greenville began the season top of the table and remained there until it was over. Despite

the lows he experienced at the beginning of the campaign, Lee succinctly said the feeling of winning the title was "incredible."

Lee took away more from that season than the taste of victory and a championship medal, though. He said that it served as a reminder of what he will remember most about his time with the Triumph thus far – the close relationships he has developed with his teammates and the determination they all share to succeed.

"Football's awesome – I love it to death, and it means a lot to me – but nothing will ever replace being in the locker room," Lee said, "There's something about comradery of being on a team where everybody is trying to achieve the same thing, and whenever I'm done playing, that's what I'm going to miss the most – the little moments that no one knows about."

He added that it reiterated his motivation for playing soccer in the first place – to bring members of the community together and provide them with an enjoyable experience.

"I remember being a young kid and going to watch a semi-pro team in Toledo and having so much fun there. We'd just be sitting there, smiling the whole time, and that's what it's about," Lee said. "Making people happy, bringing joy and smiles to their faces, is something that'll be with me forever... and to be able to be part of something for people to come out and have a good time for two hours is really awesome."



JANUARY 12, 2021

The Greenville Triumph expanded its retail influence with the opening of a brick-and-mortar team store and office space in downtown Greenville at 22 S. Main Street. "This space provides a fantastic setting for our business operation and enables us to create not only a great new retail location for Main Street, but also a place that will provide a fun and unique experience for Upstate residents and visitors alike," Triumph President Chris Lewis said.



SEPTEMBER 3-NOVEMBER 13, 2021

The Triumph took the phrase "It's not about how you start, but how you finish" and ended the regular season on a nine-match unbeaten run, the longest in club history. Greenville's streak reached double digits after their first match of the 2021 USL League One Playoffs – a 2-0 win over the Chattanooga Red Wolves.

2021

Marios Lomis both registered the club's second hat trick and broke its single-season scoring record in a dominant 3-0 win against New England Revolution II. Lomis would finish the season with 15 goals (including playoffs), a record that still stands.

JULY 4, 2021



Greenville made its third consecutive appearance in the USL League One Finals in 2021, facing off against Union Omaha for the opportunity to win its second league title. Unlike the year before, the championship match would be played, and Omaha emerged victorious by a 3-0 score.

NOVEMBER 20, 2021



5-YEAR PROFILE: AARON WALKER

When Aaron Walker took the field against Northern Colorado Hailstorm FC on September 24, 2022, little did he know that he was making history in the process.

That night, Walker made his 100th career appearance for the Greenville Triumph, becoming the first player in club history to do so. Although he was not formally recognized for his feat until two weekends later, Walker described it as a significant moment of his career that allowed him to reflect on where his professional soccer journey had taken him.

Walker's initial steps along that journey began across the Atlantic Ocean in Ísafjörður, Iceland, where he signed his first professional contract with a club in the country's second division in 2013. Four years later, he would return stateside to join John Harkes' FC Cincinnati side after making the team via an open tryout but was released after just one season.

It was Harkes who gave Walker his next professional opportunity in Greenville, where his buy-in into Harkes' project with the Triumph was immediate.

"John was super thrilled about everything going on with Chris [Lewis] and Joe [Erwin] and what they said they wanted to bring to the city of Greenville, and he reached out to me and was like, 'Hey, are you still playing?'" Walker said. "I drove up here and had lunch with him, and the rest is history."



In those 100 appearances (and counting) since joining the Triumph, Walker has experienced success at both the team and individual level. He was a mainstay in the Triumph's midfield during their championship-winning season in 2020, and he was named to the USL League One All-League Second Team the following year.

Walker said he has also seen himself improve his leadership skills as one of the team's captains, which has helped him develop a strong desire to mentor his younger teammates.

"John bringing me in and making me a captain gave me a different role than I've had in years past at other clubs. I've been a captain before [with the Atlanta Silverbacks]

and in college, but nothing to this level, and I think it gave me a whole new sense of responsibility," Walker said. "Looking out for others and finding little pieces along the way to help bring up younger players has been a huge thing for me because I was once a younger player myself."

Walker's most important takeaway from his experience in Greenville, though, is the community on and off the pitch that has embraced him since the day he signed with the Triumph in 2019. He said the October 8th pre-match ceremony – where he was given a commemorative jersey and applauded by Triumph fans – was both a source of banter and a very special moment he will never forget.

"Had Tyler not picked up a little injury, I think he would have beat me to the 100 right before that, so I always joke about how I was able to snag that off him," Walker said. "But it was really cool to be recognized and realizing that I played 100 games for this club."

Walker added that his 100th Triumph appearance was a testament to how much the city, the club and the people who are part of it mean to him.

"To spend time in a place where you can get 100 appearances says a lot about not only the city, but the club," Walker said. "It's a special group on and off the field here – the management, the club itself, the front office, just everybody."





MARCH 24, 2022

After announcing the launch of a women's soccer team to compete in the upstart USL W League in June 2021, the club revealed the team's name – Greenville Liberty SC – and crest at an unveiling event. The Liberty takes its name from the Liberty Bridge, one of Greenville's most famous landmarks, and its crest features a yellow jasmine, which is South Carolina's state flower.



JULY 13, 2022

A regular season match between the Greenville Triumph and South Georgia Tormenta turned into one of the more exciting games in recent memory, as the two sides combined to score 10 total goals. The thrilling 5-5 draw remains the highest-scoring game in league history.



SEPTEMBER 24, 2022

Veteran midfielder Aaron Walker made history when he took the field in Greenville's September 24th match against Northern Colorado Hailstorm FC, becoming the first player in club history to make 100 appearances. Since then, three more Triumph veterans – Evan Lee, Tyler Polak and Brandon Fricke – have accomplished the feat.

2022

In the first edition of the U.S. Open Cup held since the Triumph's first year of existence in 2019, Greenville had the opportunity to welcome an MLS opponent for the first time in their history in the competition. A sell-out crowd of 4,065 fans saw the Triumph hold their own against MLS expansion side Charlotte FC through ninety minutes, but the visitors scored a game-winning goal in the first period of added time to clinch a 2-1 victory.

APRIL 20, 2022



From 2019 to 2022, there were three certainties in life: death, taxes, and the Greenville Triumph making the USL League One Playoffs. Despite clinching a postseason berth for the fourth consecutive season, this year's playoff run was shorter than most, as the team was narrowly defeated 1-0 by a Tormenta side that would go on to win the title.

OCTOBER 29, 2022





APRIL 7, 2023

Early in the 2023 season, the Triumph formalized their rivalry with South Georgia Tormenta with the announcement of the Peach States Derby, which is named after the fruit with a rich history in both states. The team that earns the most points in regular season matches between the two sides will be rewarded the Peach States Derby Trophy.



OCTOBER 7, 2023

After falling behind 2-0 at the half, Greenville used goals from forwards Jacob Labovitz and Leo Castro to earn a 2-2 draw against the Chattanooga Red Wolves in its penultimate match of the regular season. In the process, the Triumph made history, becoming the only USL League One club to make the postseason in all five seasons of the league's existence.



NOVEMBER 21, 2023

The end of the 2023 season saw a changing of the guard at manager, as Rick Wright was named the Greenville Triumph's new head coach and technical director. Wright, who had served as an assistant coach since 2019, succeeded John Harkes, who held the club's head coaching role for the first five years of its existence.

2023

Ever a model of consistency throughout its history, the Greenville Triumph hit another milestone when it secured a 3-1 win over the Charlotte Independence. The Triumph's victory over the then-league leaders was the club's 50th USL League One regular season win, making Greenville the first club in league history to reach that mark.

MAY 3, 2023



On a rainy Wednesday night against the Chattanooga Red Wolves, rookie forward Lyam MacKinnon delivered one of the greatest individual performances in USL League One history. The rookie midfielder registered the quickest hat trick in league history with goals in the 9th, 17th, and 22nd minutes before breaking the league's single-match scoring record with a fourth goal in the second half.

JUNE 21, 2023



The Triumph geared up for the 2023 playoffs hoping it could reach another USL League One Final, but it fell two rounds short after being eliminated in the quarterfinals. Despite goals from midfielder Allen Gavilanes and defender Nate Shultz, Greenville was unable to advance to the semifinals in a 3-2 road loss to Charlotte Independence, who would later earn a spot in the championship match.

OCTOBER 20, 2023





5-YEAR PROFILE: JOHN HARKES

John Harkes' lengthy professional soccer career has been filled with many "firsts." On August 22, 1992, Harkes became the first U.S.-born player to make an appearance in an English Premier League match when he took the field for Sheffield Wednesday. After six seasons across the pond, he became D.C. United's inaugural signing ahead of Major League Soccer's first season in 1996.

His history of "firsts" continued after his playing days after being named the first head coach of FC Cincinnati ahead of its debut USL campaign in 2016. Just two years later, he would become the first head coach of another American club – the Greenville Triumph – with one purpose in mind: to bring a winning soccer culture to the Upstate.

"John has phenomenal connectivity in the U.S. and abroad, and he wants to be a part of building something that's sustainable and competitive from the start," Triumph President Chris Lewis said.

One of Harkes' first steps as head coach was constructing the team's roster from scratch, and he relied on a number of former FC Cincinnati players to serve as the backbone of his squad. Those three players – Tyler Polak, Dallas Jaye and Aaron Walker – all went on to achieve individual accolades and are among the most influential players in club history.

Harkes' "firsts" transitioned onto the pitch shortly afterward, with regular season matches beginning a few months after these roster additions were made. Although the Triumph's first competitive match ended in defeat, its first home contest resulted in a different outcome: a 2-1 victory over Lansing Ignite FC with a go-ahead goal in the final minutes of the heart-stopping match.

Following the match, Harkes credited both his team and the fanbase, who he has continually supported throughout his tenure, for the win.

"We worked extremely hard during the preseason and we were able to see it come to fruition tonight. It was a challenging game at times, but it's great to break through for our first win," Harkes said after the match. "The crowd atmosphere was just phenomenal. We can't do it without the support of our fans and to sell the stadium out on our first try is a special feeling."

The club's winning ways continued long after that match. At the end of the 2020 season, the moment Harkes and the Triumph's players had worked for since day one came when it won its first USL League One championship. For Harkes, it represented the pinnacle of what had been an obstacle-ridden year for the team in the face of the COVID pandemic.

"You think about the work we put in

all year long, and it culminates in us getting the chance to lift a cup and be recognized for the efforts. It's a fantastic feeling, and I'm so proud of these players," Harkes said at the team's championship celebration. "They've worked so hard this year. Their discipline, attention to detail on and off the field. They deserve every part of this."

Five years since his hire, Harkes continues to accumulate more "firsts" in the soccer world. The Triumph became the first USL League One club to win 50 regular season matches earlier this year, and Harkes was at the helm for each of them as the winningest coach in League One history. In July 2023, he became the first head coach in league history to earn five Coach of the Month awards – an achievement he was honored to receive, but also one that, more importantly, recognized the strides the team has made to further the club's winning mentality.

"I'm really happy; this award is never about one guy – it's about the coaching staff as a whole and also serves as a reflection of how well the players and the staff are communicating and all doing our jobs at the moment," Harkes said. "I've seen a commitment to getting better, finding solutions in the game ... and our guys are showing great responsibility and accountability – both from a team standpoint and an individual standpoint."

