

Saturday, May 13 @ 5:05 PM Choctaw Stadium

# THE JACKALS

FIRST NAME	<u>LAST</u> <u>NAME</u>	HOME COUNTRY
HERMAN	AGENBAG	RSA
JP	AGUIRRE	ARG
тому	BARAVALLE	a ARG
ADRIAAN	BOOYSEN	NM
NOLAN	BUCKLEY	USA
LUCAS	BUR	aRG
DANNY	CHRISTENSEN	USA
MARTIN	ELIAS	• ARG
SAM	GOLLA	USA
JERO	GOMEZ VARA	a ARG
МАТТ	GORDON	USA
AARON	GRAY	USA



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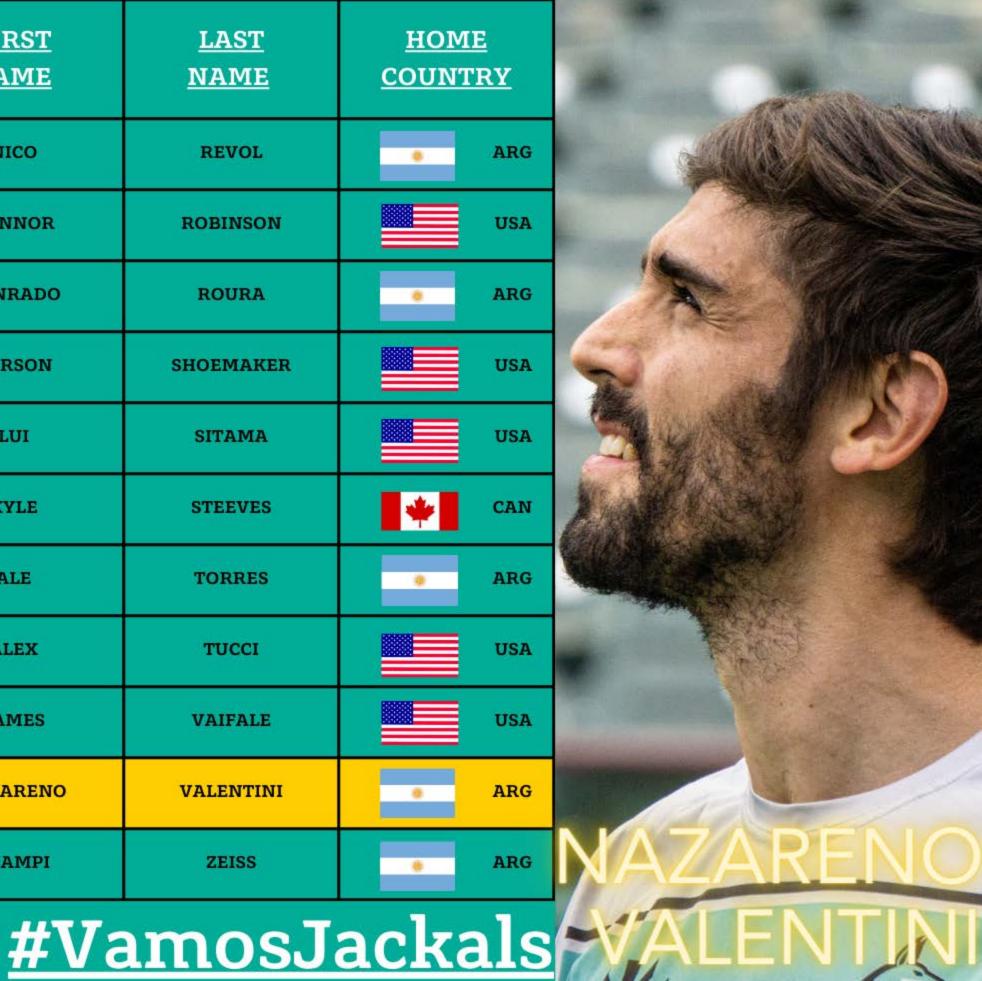
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JOACO	HORCADA	• ARG
PIT	IMHOFF	ARG
CAMPBELL	JOHNSTONE	USA
DEWALD	KOTZE	NM
тому	MALANOS	ARG
PATRICK	MEDINA	USA
KEV	MORGAN	USA
ACO	MORONI	a ARG
LIAM	MURRAY	CAN
САМ	NELSON	USA
ERIC	NAPOSKI	USA



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FIRST NAME	<u>LAST</u> <u>NAME</u>	HOME COUNTRY
NICO	REVOL	a ARG
CONNOR	ROBINSON	USA
CONRADO	ROURA	• ARG
CARSON	SHOEMAKER	USA
LUI	SITAMA	USA
KYLE	STEEVES	CAN
ALE	TORRES	a ARG
ALEX	TUCCI	USA
JAMES	VAIFALE	USA
NAZARENO	VALENTINI	a ARG
JUAMPI	ZEISS	e ARG



#### WHAT IS RUGBY

40 minutes a half.
15 players per team on the pitch.
It's the physicality of football and the footwork of soccer.

Winston Churchill once said, "Soccer is a gentleman's game played by hooligans, and rugby is a hooligans' game played by gentlemen".

We say it's a game for jackals.

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#### JACKALS LOOK TO BOUNCE BACK

"I have really good memories over there [in Utah]."

Jackals wing James Vaifale said over a Zoom call earlier this week.

Vaifale is one of three former Utah Warriors who joined the Dallas Jackals via trade or free agency in the offseason.

Carson Shoemaker and Danny Christensen also have connections to the Beehive State.

"I'm pretty excited to face off against boys I used to play with. That's always pretty fun and show that I do belong on the field with them,"

Shoemaker explained.

Christensen joined Utah's academy program before ultimately reaching MLR heights.

Vaifale, Shoemaker, and Christensen have come to enjoy life in the DFW after exchanging the red and black for the Pack green. Like many playing in Major League Rugby, they have friends on other teams.



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"The [rugby] community is small so everyone pretty much knows each other," Vaifale said.

"A lot of those guys to this day are still some of my best friends... I have three or four of them who go to my parents' house for Sunday dinner and eat with the family." Christensen stated.

With a wide smile, Christensen added, "It's always fun to go out and throw a shoulder into some of my good buddies."

These sides last met in Round Two on a cloudy day in Utah with snow piles outlining the edge of the pitch. The match, despite the final score, went back and forth. The Jackals gained momentum toward the end, punctuated by back to back tries from wing Eric Naposki.

Dallas is excited to return to action after last Saturday's shortened affair.

"Two or three times [officials] came in the locker room and said we're going on the field in 10 minutes or 20 minutes before the [head referee] finally walked in and told us the game was called," Shoemaker recalled.

"[We're] Pretty upset from last weekend, but that gives us more fire for this weekend,"

Vaifale admitted.

"One of the big things is just putting our foot down and keeping our foot down," Christensen said. "Nobody wants to play a 40 minute game. At the end of the day we lost the game."

"It doesn't matter if you lose a game in the 79th minute, the 40th minute, the 45th, the 50th,

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