



# LEE UNIVERSITY 2021 MEN'S SOCCER

Friday, September 17, 2021 | Cleveland, Tenn. | Ray Conn Sports Complex  
Gulf South Conference Opener



MATTIA BALZANO

## 2021 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

### SEPTEMBER

|     |    |                           |         |
|-----|----|---------------------------|---------|
| THU | 2  | at Carson Newman Univ.    | W 3-1   |
| TUE | 7  | Univ. of North Georgia    | L 2-4   |
| SAT | 11 | Tusculum Univ.            | W 4-0   |
| FRI | 17 | +Union                    | 5:00 pm |
| SUN | 19 | +Christian Brothers Univ. | 3:00 pm |
| FRI | 24 | +at Mississippi College   | 4:30 pm |
| SUN | 26 | +at Delta State           | 4:00 pm |

### OCTOBER

|     |    |                        |         |
|-----|----|------------------------|---------|
| SAT | 2  | +Auburn Montgomery     | 7:00 pm |
| TUE | 5  | at Lincoln Memorial    | 3:30 pm |
| SAT | 9  | Emmanuel College (Ga.) | 7:00 pm |
| FRI | 15 | +at West Florida       | 7:00 pm |
| SUN | 17 | at Spring Hill College | 2:00 pm |
| FRI | 22 | +Montevallo            | 7:00 pm |
| FRI | 29 | +at West Alabama       | 8:30 pm |
| SUN | 31 | +at Alabama Huntsville | 4:30 pm |

### NOVEMBER

|     |       |                                  |         |
|-----|-------|----------------------------------|---------|
| FRI | 5     | +Shorter Univ.                   | 7:00 pm |
| SUN | 7     | !GSC Quarterfinal                |         |
| FRI | 12    | !GSC Semifinal                   |         |
| SUN | 14    | !GSC Final                       |         |
|     | 18-21 | NCAA DII First and Second Rounds |         |

### DECEMBER

|  |      |                                        |  |
|--|------|----------------------------------------|--|
|  | 3-5  | NCAA DII Third and Quarterfinal Rounds |  |
|  | 9-11 | NCAA DII Semifinal and Final           |  |

HOME DATES **BOLD** +GSC GAMES ALL TIMES EASTERN

## 2021 LEE RECORDS

|                            |     |
|----------------------------|-----|
| Overall                    | 2-1 |
| Home                       | 1-1 |
| Away                       | 1-0 |
| Neutral                    | 0-0 |
| vs NCAA II Top 25          | 0-0 |
| vs NCAA II Receiving Votes | 0-0 |
| GSC                        | 0-0 |
| Home                       | 0-0 |
| Away                       | 0-0 |

## ACTIVE LEE STREAKS

|         |    |
|---------|----|
| Overall | W1 |
| Home    | W1 |
| Away    | W1 |
| Neutral | L1 |

## 2021 GSC STANDINGS

AS OF SEPTEMBER 16

|                     | GSC   | CPCT. | OVERALL | PCT.  | STREAK |
|---------------------|-------|-------|---------|-------|--------|
| CHRISTIAN BROTHERS  | 0-0-0 | 0.000 | 4-1-0   | 0.800 | W2     |
| UNION               | 0-0-0 | 0.000 | 3-0-1   | 0.875 | T1     |
| MONTVALLO           | 0-0-0 | 0.000 | 3-0-1   | 0.875 | W2     |
| SPRING HILL         | 0-0-0 | 0.000 | 3-1-0   | 0.750 | L1     |
| WEST FLORIDA        | 0-0-0 | 0.000 | 2-0-1   | 0.833 | W1     |
| DELTA STATE         | 0-0-0 | 0.000 | 2-1-1   | 0.625 | W1     |
| LEE                 | 0-0-0 | 0.000 | 2-1-0   | 0.667 | W1     |
| AUBURN MONTGOMERY   | 0-0-0 | 0.000 | 2-1-0   | 0.667 | W1     |
| SHORTER             | 0-0-0 | 0.000 | 2-1-0   | 0.667 | W1     |
| WEST ALABAMA        | 0-0-0 | 0.000 | 2-2-0   | 0.500 | W1     |
| ALABAMA HUNTSVILLE  | 0-0-0 | 0.000 | 1-1-1   | 0.500 | L1     |
| MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE | 0-0-0 | 0.000 | 1-2-0   | 0.333 | W1     |

## LEE UNIVERSITY (2-1-0) VS. #8 UNION UNIVERSITY (3-0-1)



### 2021 STAT LEADERS

|         |                 |      |
|---------|-----------------|------|
|         | MATTIA BALZANO  |      |
| POINTS  | MATTIA BALZANO  | 6    |
| GOALS   | FABIAN NAVARRO  | 3    |
| ASSISTS | JARED MCWHORTER | 2    |
| SHOTS   | JARED MCWHORTER | 11   |
| SOG     | SAM KEENER      | 6    |
| SAVES   | SAM KEENER      | 1    |
| GAA     | SAM KEENER      | 1.71 |
| WINS    | SAM KEENER      | 2    |

### SERIES INFORMATION

Series Record: Lee leads 11-5-1.

**Last Meeting:** March 21, 2021, the Flames fell 3-1 to the Bulldogs in the second round of the GSC Spring Playoffs. Union scored just 35 seconds into the match, and Lee was unable to recover. Mattia Balzano made the score 2-1 off an assist from Jared McWhorter, but the Bulldogs' third goal in the 61st minute insured Union the win, which ended the Flames shortened spring season.

#### Previous 3 Meetings:

|                               |       |
|-------------------------------|-------|
| 3/21/2021 (Jackson, Tenn.)    | L 1-3 |
| 10/18/2019 (Jackson, Tenn.)   | L 2-3 |
| 10/14/2018 (Cleveland, Tenn.) | W 2-1 |



### 2021 STAT LEADERS

|         |                   |      |
|---------|-------------------|------|
|         | DAVID HURTADO     |      |
| POINTS  | DAVID HURTADO     | 6    |
| GOALS   | MUNGOMBA/NITZSCHE | 3    |
| ASSISTS | DAVID HURTADO     | 2    |
| SHOTS   | WILLIAM VALENCIA  | 15   |
| SOG     | BOTOND NEMETH     | 9    |
| SAVES   | BOTOND NEMETH     | 9    |
| GAA     | BOTOND NEMETH     | 0.90 |
| WINS    | BOTOND NEMETH     | 3    |

## GAME NOTES

• The Flames begin GSC conference play tonight against the team that ended their shortened 2021 spring season last year. Union claimed the 2021 Spring Championships Series title in April, which the first conference title of any kind in the history of Union men's soccer.

• Today's game, and the women's soccer game directly after, are "more than just games." Both games against Union are the annual Kickin' It for Kids with Cancer games, sponsored by the Austin Hatcher Foundation.

• The Flames are coming off a dominating win against Tusculum University, 4-0. The Flames scored all four goals in the second half. Due to red cards, Lee played a man up for the majority of the game, and played two men up after Tusculum's second red card in the 76th minute. Mattia Balzano scored the first and third goal. McWhorter and Arantes tallied the other two goals.

• The Union University men's soccer team climbed

two spots in this week's United Soccer Coaches National Rankings to No. 8. The No. 8 national ranking is the highest in Union men's soccer history.

• Union's goalkeeper Botond Nemeth was named GSC Men's Soccer Defender of the Week for the week ending September 12. Nemeth helped the Bulldogs record their third shutout of the season against LMU this past week.

• Union is coming off of a 0-0 double-overtime tie against Lincoln Memorial. The Bulldogs outshot the railsplitters 23-10, with nine shots on goal.

• Coach Potteiger's thoughts- "We know our league is going to be a tough and that each match will present a different challenge for us. But we are excited to get into the GSC schedule and we feel like we have an opportunity to have a special season."

• After tonight, the Flames will continue conference play with a game on Sunday, Sept. 19, against Christian Brothers University at 3 p.m.



# 2021 FLAMES SOCCER

## LEE UNIVERSITY FLAMES

| NO. | NAME             | CL.   | HT.  | POS. | HOMETOWN (PREVIOUS SCHOOL)                                       |
|-----|------------------|-------|------|------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 0   | Connor Barron    | Fr.   | 6-3  | GK   | Auburn, Ala. (Auburn HS)                                         |
| 00  | Sebastian Oyler  | Sr.   | 6-2  | GK   | Chattanooga, Tenn. (University of the Cumberlands)               |
| 1   | Sam Kenner       | R-Sr. | 6-2  | GK   | Dublin, Ohio (Butler University)                                 |
| 2   | Nick Meijboom    | So.   | 6-4  | D    | Rotterdam, Netherlands (Hogeschool Rotterdam)                    |
| 4   | Sagi Rada        | Sr.   | 5-5  | D    | Tel Aviv, Israel (Elon University)                               |
| 6   | Eemeli Makela    | Sr.   | 6-1  | MF   | Espoo, Finland (Baylor School)                                   |
| 8   | Teo Rodrigues    | Fr.   | 5-10 | D    | Tres Lagoas, Brazil (Colegio Elite)                              |
| 9   | Edgar Cevantes   | Gr.   | 6-1  | D/MF | Cancun, Mexico (Tusculum University)                             |
| 10  | Jared McWhorter  | Gr.   | 5-11 | MF   | Woodstock, Ga. (Woodstock HS)                                    |
| 11  | Fabrizio Scimo   | Sr.   | 5-10 | D    | Palermo, Italy (Degli Studi Molise Universita)                   |
| 12  | Noam Stein       | So.   | 5-10 | F    | Cleveland, Isarel (Misgav HS)                                    |
| 13  | Samir Eldahan    | R-Sr. | 6-2  | MF   | Memphis, Tenn. (Lipscomb University)                             |
| 14  | Niklas Neumann   | Fr.   | 5-10 | MF   | Wiesloch, Germany (Univ. of Applied Sciences)                    |
| 15  | Matias Siems     | Sr.   | 6-1  | D    | Buenos Aires, Argentina (Oral Roberts University)                |
| 16  | Ricardo Gonzalez | Sr.   | 6-1  | D    | Maracaibo, Venezuela (Florida Atlantic University)               |
| 17  | Borja Gaspar     | Sr.   | 6-1  | F    | Malaga, Spain (Catawba College)                                  |
| 18  | Jeremy Bischoff  | Sr.   | 6-4  | D    | Hohenems, Austria (St. Edward's University)                      |
| 20  | Caio Arantes     | Jr.   | 6-1  | MF   | San Jose Dos Campos, Brazil (Hamilton Heights Christian Academy) |
| 21  | Mattia Balzano   | Sr.   | 5-10 | D    | Vasto, Italy (Unich Chieti Ecampus)                              |
| 22  | Fabian Navarro   | Fr.   | 5-6  | MF   | Dalton, Ga. (Northwest HS)                                       |
| 23  | Collin Lewis     | Jr.   | 6-2  | MF   | Knoxville, Tenn. (Bearden HS)                                    |
| 24  | Gui Busato       | Fr.   | 5-11 | F    | Rio De Janerio, Brazil (St. Benedicts)                           |
| 25  | Roel Martinez    | Jr.   | 5-10 | GK   | Fort Worth, Texas (Oral Roberts University)                      |
| 26  | David Eberle     | So.   | 6-2  | D    | Cleveland, Tenn. (Mwinilunga High Secondary School)              |
| 27  | Joshua James     | Sr.   | 5-10 | D    | Knoxville, Tenn. (Carson-Newman University)                      |
| 29  | Ryan Chouyouti   | Fr.   | 5-11 | F    | Memphis, Tenn. (Germantown High School)                          |
| 30  | Drew Donehoo     | Sr.   | 6-5  | D    | Clarkston, Ga. (Lady of Mercy HS)                                |
| 31  | Jordan Durante   | Fr.   | 5-6  | MF   | Lincoln, Neb. (University of North Georgia-Oconee)               |

## COACHING STAFF



**DEREK POTTEIGER**  
Head Coach

Overall Record: 91-38-17  
Lee Record: 30-20-14 | 5<sup>th</sup> Season

**TORREY STRICKLIN**  
Assistant Coach/Recruiting Coordinator

**DAN HRENKO**  
Graduate Assistant

**RYAN SWARTZENTRUBER**  
Goalkeeper Coach

**AIDEN MOORE**  
Student Assistant



## UNION UNIVERSITY BULLDOGS

| NO. | NAME             | HT.  | CL. | POS. | HOMETOWN / PREVIOUS SCHOOL                        |
|-----|------------------|------|-----|------|---------------------------------------------------|
| 1   | Botond Nemeth    | 6-3  | So. | GK   | Budapest, Hungary / Szent Istvan HS               |
| 2   | Billy Grogan     | 5-10 | Sr. | D    | Burnley, England / Blessed Trinity RC College     |
| 3   | Alpay Altuntas   | 5-6  | So. | M/D  | Hamburg, Germany / Helmut Schmidt Gymnasium       |
| 4   | Niklas Heuermann | 6-3  | Fr. | D    | Munich, Germany / Kaethe-Kollwitz Gymnasium       |
| 5   | Davis Mungomba   | 6-1  | Fr. | D    | Bergisch, Gladbach / Gymnasium Herkenrath         |
| 6   | David Hurtado    | 5-7  | Sr. | M    | Spydeberg, Norway / Askim Videregaaende Skole     |
| 7   | James Jackson    | 6-0  | Sr. | F    | McMinnville, Tenn. / Warren County HS             |
| 9   | Gavin Scott      | 5-11 | Sr. | M/F  | Ayr, Scotland / Grange Academy                    |
| 10  | Stan De Vries    | 6-1  | So. | M    | Utrecht, Netherlands / Amadeus Lyceum             |
| 11  | William Valencia | 5-10 | Gr. | F    | Madrid, Spain / University of Cincinnati          |
| 12  | Noah Penner      | 6-0  | Fr. | M    | Frisco, Texas / Memorial HS                       |
| 14  | Mats Fredriksen  | 5-9  | Jr. | F    | Spydeberg, Norway / Askim Videregaaende Skole     |
| 15  | Jorge Gutierrez  | 6-3  | Jr. | M    | Zaragoza, Spain / IES Corona de Aragon            |
| 16  | Sam Newman       | 5-10 | So. | M/F  | Jackson, Tenn. / University School of Jackson     |
| 17  | Jacob Phelps     | 5-10 | Jr. | M    | Somerset, Ky. / Somerset Christian School         |
| 18  | Hayden Phillips  | 5-10 | So. | M    | Lexington, Tenn. / Lexington HS                   |
| 20  | Joseph Carman    | 6-2  | Fr. | M    | Mineral Springs, N.C. / Carman Family Home School |
| 21  | Manayeh Linton   | 5-5  | Fr. | F    | Knoxville, Tenn. / South-Doyle HS                 |
| 22  | Justin Fisher    | 6-3  | So. | GK   | Hoover, Ala. / Spain Park HS                      |
| 23  | Kenny Nitzsche   | 5-6  | So. | M/D  | Brakel, Germany / Schulen der Brede               |
| 24  | Jeremiah Mrema   | 5-11 | So. | M    | McMinnville, Tenn. / Clinton HS                   |
| 26  | Jacob Greene     | 6-3  | Gr. | D    | Trenton, Tenn. / Peabody HS                       |

## COACHING STAFF



**STEVEN COX**  
Head Coach

Overall Record: 26-28-5  
UU Record: 26-28-5 | 5<sup>th</sup> Season

**KENT KATZMAN**  
Assistant Coach

