

Sunday 10th August 2025

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Pre-Season Friendly Match at Goffs Churchgate Academy (Pitch One)

Kick-Off: 10.30 a.m.

Result: UPFC SUNDAY RESERVES..... 2 EDMONTON ROVERS 2 Half-Time: 2-2

SHIRT NUMBER	TEAM (4-1-4-1 / 4-2-3-1 HT)		GOAL TIMES
	GK/CF 50	Josh WAKEFORD (Captain)	
	RB	Samuel LARNER	OFF (Inj.) 50
	RCB	Chris JORDANOU	
	LCB/RCM 30/RB 50	Tobi CHARLES	
	LB	Max FRANCIS	
	DCM	Freddy GIBSON	
	RM	Frankie GEORGE	
	RCM/GK 50	Archie MADDEN-BRINE	OFF (Inj.) 30 /BACK ON (GK) 50
	LCM	Max MELANDRI	
	LM/RCM 50	Harry DORWARD	
	CF/LM 50	Myreon KEANE	3, 18 Mins.
SUBSTITUTES			
	LCB	Sam PRITCHETT	ON 30

OWN GOALS Scored For Us:

PLAYER-MANAGER: Josh Wakeford

CLUB LINESMEN: Mike Jordanou

ATTENDANCE: 3

OTHER CLUB MEMBERS PRESENT: None !

REFEREE: UPFC Official

REFEREE'S MARK (Out of 100): N/A

BOOKINGS: None

SENDING-OFFS: None

WEATHER CONDITIONS: Hot & Sunny. No wind.

STATE OF PITCH: Dry and bobbly with short grass.

UNAVAILABILITY: (16 Players): Daniel Schwartz-Gee (Communication Mix-Up), Charlie Savage, Jack Vanvynck, Paddy Baynes (All Away), Christian Ellis, Charlce Darko, Tierrae Nortey, Rashawn Bennett-Dyer, Gianni Dipo (All No Shows/Not Answering Phones), Fergus Murray, Tairique Harrison, Jordan Jordanou, Tom Gubb, Charlie Redmond, Morgan Maghie, Marco Costi (All Other Commitments) & Laurence Hughes (Cameraman) (Illness)

OPPONENTS' LINE-UP: No Team Details

OPPONENTS' GOAL TIMES: 9, 25 Mins.

MATCH REPORT (by Josh Wakeford)... Ending the 24/25 season with rough spell of results, we wanted to start the new season well against a strong UPFC reserves side. We arrived and found out they had 25 players available, creating two different 11s for each half, we knew we had a difficult task at hand after a couple of dropouts on the morning, leaving us with a squad of 12. However the lovely sunny morning meant spirits were high and we took the lead early on in the 3rd minute through a Josh Wakeford long goal kick that the UPFC backline were not prepared for, leaving Myreon Keane bearing down on the opposition keeper, slotting coolly into the near post to open the scoring. The lead was not long lived though, as we failed to defend a cross into the back post, leaving the UPFC left winger a half-empty net to tap the ball into in the 9th minute to even the scores. The game then finally settled for a short period, with both teams looking to play over the top balls on what could be described as a bobbly playing surface. We, however, did have some good patches with the ball on the floor, and this showed when the ball was played nicely around the back and passed into debutant Freddy Gibson who played a nice through ball to Myreon Keane from just inside his own half, and Myreon lifted the ball over the descending UPFC goalie in the 18th minute, who got a hand to the ball but could not keep it out. However, again our lead was thwarted, as again we failed to clear our lines successfully, and the ball was again crossed in from the left hand side to the UPFC striker, who had time to take a touch out of his feet and finish through Josh Wakeford's outstretched legs from just outside the 6 yard box, on the 25th minute. At 2-2, the game felt a lot more controlled. Both teams were finding their setups more comfortable and the rust was out the way. After half time, we knew we were going to have a difficult task to keep our same intensity vs a whole new 11, but we stuck at it and shut them out in the 2nd half with some resilient defensive work. With both Archie Madden-Brine and Samuel Larner badly injured, player-manager Josh Wakeford made the decision to step onto pitch as Archie boldly took over the gloves with his bad knee. This allowed us to keep 11 men on the pitch, meaning less running for everyone in our first pre season game! A lack of UPFC quality in the final third meant Archie went untested, however we also lacked quality in the 2nd half moving the ball from front to back, which was understandable due to many factors. Nonetheless, it was a good performance from us against a strong team, with minutes in the tank the priority.