



April Brings Meat Popsicles

For those of you who chose to brave the elements for the home opener against the NY Red Bulls, you may still be recovering from frostbite, lingering numbness to temperatures, and the feeling of being a black and gold wrapped meat popsicle.

Aside from a good game on display for the hardy fans, we had a good turnout from the supporters groups in 103 and in the north end.

With two more home games slated for April after the Revs match, let's focus on turning Columbus Crew Stadium into a fortress of support for our team and make it an intimidating place to play for the opposition.

In case the arctic weather continues to rear its ugly head, don't forget that you can get yourself warmed up before the matches at the Crew Supporters Union: Local 103 official tailgate at the southwest corner of the VIP parking lot. We have a share with one-and-all style tailgate, so come grab some food off the grill and a drink to fuel that engine before entering the stadium.

One For The Road

If you've been feeling awkward about jumping up and down at your TV back home during away games, why don't you come join us and do it with friends instead? Come to Tommy Keegan's pub in the Brewery District for road games and receive special prices for being with Local 103. Directions to TK's can be found at www.tommykeegans.com

Find out about even more specifics such as, meeting times, prize raffles, Local 103 merchandise, and the free parking in the garage adjacent to the pub, by visiting the official Crew Supporters Union: Local 103 website at www.crewunion.com

Upcoming Schedule

04/24 – Crew vs. Galaxy: 7:30pm
(US Open Cup Qualifier)

04/28 – Crew vs. DCU: 7:30pm

05/05 – Crew @ KC: 1:00pm

05/12 – Crew vs. Chivas: 7:30pm

Don't forget that we meet up for away games too, so head down to the Brewery District on the 5th.

Hunting Lamar's Cup

MLS has certainly introduced a number of competition changes during the off-season. You may have heard about the upcoming SuperLiga, pitting 4 MLS teams against 4 Mexican League teams in an attempt to form the groundwork of a North American version of Europe's famous Champions League. The other change comes to the historical Lamar Hunt US Open Cup (which our Crew won in 2002). With the introduction of a Canadian team, this will mark the first year that not all MLS clubs have participated since the format was revised to allow all MLS clubs into the later stages (giving the amateur minnows a chance at glory). Also, to accommodate congested schedules with the SuperLiga and national teams competing in summer tournaments, only 8 MLS teams are officially going to make the cut for the tournament. The top 6 teams from last year automatically qualify, while the bottom six will go through two rounds of qualifying to determine the final two entrants to the US Open Cup. Columbus has a tough road, starting with LA next week. With a win, one more victory over the Red Bulls will be needed to officially be in the tournament. The other teams in qualifying are Kansas City, Real Salt Lake, and Colorado

Supporters' Charter: Crew Supporters Union: Local 103

We, the members of Crew Supporters Union: Local 103, hereby form this charter to state our allegiance to the Columbus Crew soccer team and to the city of Columbus, Ohio. We recognize that each member is an ambassador of our team, our city, and of the sport of soccer in the United States and around the world.

1. We will conduct ourselves in a proper manner to our neighbors within the stadium and out in public places of gathering. We embrace all creeds and cultures and welcome the diversity and creativity this brings to our organization. Each member contributes their own wit, passion, humor, and spirit to Crew Supporters Union: Local 103. Furthermore and most emphatically, racism or bigotry in any way, shape, or form will not be tolerated.

2. We recognize that individual fans will have team favorites, preferences, and dislikes. Debate and discourse only makes our minds sharper, but we will leave this outside and form together as one group upon entering the stadium to support the Columbus Crew players. Each player wearing the crest of our Columbus Crew deserves our support as they conduct battle on the field in an effort to bring victory to Columbus. Our single purpose in the stadium is to stand behind our men, support them, and help drive and inspire them on to victory.

3. We do not condone the usage of organized vulgar language or violent behavior. Our purpose is to uplift, not to tear down. Let the lowest forms of support be given to those supporters of other teams who cannot conduct themselves above antisocial behavior, as we are above this.

4. We discourage fans of other clubs with antagonistic agendas from entering the stadium section occupied by Crew Supporters Union: Local 103. Their disruptive and possibly criminal behavior is not welcome. We agree to treat fans of other clubs that wish to engage in debate and discourse without instigating problems with respect when engaged outside of the stands.



CHANT & SONG SHEET

- When the Crew Go Marching In**
(call & response: C & R, All part is sung to Saints Go Marching In)
C: Oh when the Crew!
R: Oh when the Crew!
C: Go marching in
R: Go marching in
All: Oh how I want, to be in that number, when the Crew go marching in

C: Oh when the Crew!
R: Oh when the Crew!
C: Go mar--ching in
R: Go mar--ching in
All: Oh how I want, to be in that number, when the Crew go marching in

C: Oh when the Crew!
R: Oh when the Crew!
C: Go steaming in
R: Go steaming in
All: Oh how I want, to be in that number, when the Crew go steaming in
- There's Only One**
(sung to inspire or praise that player to the tune of Guantanamo)
There's only one Andy Herron, One Andy Herron
There's only on Andy Herron, One Andy Herron
- Kei Kamara Ole**
Kei Kamara, Kei Kamara, ole, ole, ole
- Molly Malone**
(Irish folk song)
In this here fair city
Where the girls are so pretty
I first set my eyes on sweet Molly Malone

As she rolled her wheel barrow
Down streets broad and narrow
Singing...
clap *clap-clap-clap*
clap *clap-clap-clap*
clap *clap*
GO CREW!
- COLUMBUS**
Columbus *clap-clap-clap*
(raise arms between claps, repeat as necessary)
- Columbus 'Til I Die**
Columbus til I die
Columbus til I die
I know I am, I swear I am
Columbus til I die
- Columbus We Love You**
We hate Chicago
We hate Red Bull too
We hate D.C. United
but Columbus we love you
Columbus
Columbus
Columbus we love you
- Here We Go**
(sung at opening whistle of the game or start of second half)
Here We Go, Here We Go, Here We Go
(simply repeat phrase to tune of Stars & Stripes Forever)
- Great Escape Theme**
(combination of do's and doot's to the theme of the movie "The Great Escape" with)
GO CREW!!! at the end.
- CO-LUM-BUS**
(slow and emphatic and slowly get faster)
CO!
LUM!
BUS!
Columbus
Columbus
Columbus
- Player Chant & Clap**
Ja-cob Tho-mas *clap* *clap* *clap-clap-clap*
or
Dun-can Ough-ton *clap* *clap* *clap-clap-clap*
(repeat as necessary)
- For the Man with the Whistle**
We know exactly why you're blind
We know exactly why you're blind
You like to carress yourself
You're a wanker, ref
or
Who's your father, who's your father
Who's your father, referee?
You don't have one, never had one,
you're a bastard referee