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# 253 DEFIANCE

## Supporters of Destiny



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### On the Pitch -

This Sunday, the Sounders are taking on the kitty-cats from Orlando. And with them, they'll be bringing along their new toy, Nicolas Lodeiro.

For years now, the Sounders have been playing without a true number 10, A.K.A a creating playmaker. Yes, throughout the years the team has had its fair share of players to come through that filled the "creating" role. Names like Marco Papa, and Mauro Rosales come quickly to mind, but it always seemed like there was something missing.....Enter Nicolas Lodeiro.

Considering Lodeiro signed with the team on Wednesday and stepped up to play the likes of L.A. on Sunday, a person can only be impressed with his instant presence on the field. His ability to open up defenses and his pin-point passing bring a lot of hope to a team and supporters group perhaps when we needed it most. To see him not only unleash players on the wing, but the opportunities he fed Morris and Dempsey are hopefully clear signs of what's to come.

Ultimately though, the team needs to improve if they hope to make the playoffs this year. Yes, Lodeiro will be an important piece moving forward. Plus, with the addition of Roman Torres, the Sounders will be in better shape.

That's when we, 253 Defiance and The ECS, need to step up. If there's one thing that we've shown as a supporters group, it's that the boys who wear our beloved crest feed off us. We're like proverbial gasoline being poured on a fire. Together we can be disruptive, and do what we've always done in this league; cause havoc.

### Merchandise -

To all our members who signed up as 253 Defiance when registering with the ECS this year, thank you for your support with our very first online pre-sale of our latest 253D t-shirts.

For those who were unable to pre-order with us, you are in luck. Our Merchandise Lead, Melissa Cambra, will have shirts and other merchandise available at the Ale House this weekend for the away viewing. Also, 253D's own merch-team will be running the ECS Merch Booth and will have merchandise available next pre-match, August 14th.

A big shout-out needs to go out to both Melissa and our 253D FC Director, Gabriel Allen, for their contributions to this release. For those who didn't know, the design for this shirt came from a two-pole Gabriel put together during the 2014 season, and again credit to Melissa for organizing 253D's first online pre-sale.

### Upcoming Events:

#### Away Viewing

Orlando FC v. Seattle Sounders  
August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
Sunday - 4:00pm  
The Ale House  
2122 Mildred St W,  
Tacoma, WA 98466

#### Home Match

Seattle Sounders v. Real Salt Lake  
Sunday - August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
4:00pm  
(Pre-Match at Temple Billards)

#### DARBY!!!! DARBY!!!! DARBY!!!

PortScum v. Seattle Sounders  
August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016  
Sunday - 6:30pm

#### Away Viewing

The Ale House  
2122 Mildred St W,  
Tacoma, WA 98466

## 253 Defiance FC -

What an incredible year it has been for 253D's soccer teams!

Without question, 2016 has been our greatest year to-date. The teams continue to grow and the quality of play continues to go up as well. A lot of pride goes into the 253D FC, and it shows with the continued dedication and hard work from our Director, Team Managers, and the players who show up week-in/week-out.

This growth was no more apparent than last Co-Ed session when 253D FC was able to field three separate teams; East Side, West Side, and North End. If that wasn't enough though, this past session also saw our first three team Darby series amongst the three teams. Ultimately 253D North-End took the Darby bragging rights while also going undefeated and taking 2nd in the league.

Currently most our teams are in in mid-session, to include our two Co-Ed teams, Men's and Women's 7v7, and in-door teams. But we're always looking for new players of all skill levels to come out and become part of the 253 Defiance team. If you are interested in playing, please reach out to any 253 Defiance leadership person or find us on Facebook.

## What We Need -

As our group expands, so does the work needed to make 253D run as smoothly as possible. If you ever wondered how things like Tifo, Merchandise, or general operations get done, then here's how you get involved.

Our leadership group is always on the lookout for passionate supporters who want to get more involved within 253D. So if you're an artist, a writer, good at social media, or simply just a person who wants to be involved, please reach out to any of our leadership team.

## PortScum Away -

In case you weren't aware, our Boys in Rave Green have a little match in a little shit hole of a town we like to call Portscum this August 28th. If you haven't already gotten your away tickets, get them NOW!!! ECS needs to submit their final numbers to the FO this Monday, so you better make sure you get your spot reserved!!!

## Members of Leadership -



Paul Rosa – President:

The President will communicate with ECS leadership and coordinate work within 253D – Ensures tasks are being taken care of and that tasks are performed on schedule and on budget. The President will work with all group components to ensure a consistent message and vision is carried throughout 253 Defiance. The mission of the President is to provide 253 Defiance with both short term growth and long term longevity so that our group may sustain the high quality of support that has become associated with 253D. This group is built upon the passions and goodwill of individuals and the President will contribute to further enable all members of 253 Defiance to continue to share in that passion.



Devon Hansen – Vice President

The Vice-President shares the same duties as the President, coordinates to ensure Leadership presence and availability, and will act on the behalf of the President in their absence.

Social-Media, Marketing and Communications Lead will ensure regular consistent positive messages are communicated and conveyed about the ECS, 253 Defiance and that their goals/missions/brand.



Janine Mann – Secretary / Treasurer

The Secretary will take meeting minutes, notify members of meeting, contact various people in relation to the group business, administrate the activities of 253 Defiance and will create the order of business. The Secretary will act on behalf of the President/Vice-President as the 3rd Leadership role.

The Treasurer's role is closely tied to the Secretary. The primary duty of the Treasurer is to maximize the money received is spent mainly on Tifo and projects that will maintain the 253D presence in the stadium for future generations. Furthermore, the Treasurer will oversee revenue/spending of all departments and try to make sure things are done with a standard of quality while maintaining under budget. The Treasurer will also manage monies from fundraisers to ensure that funds reach the intended charity partner.



Ryno – Match Day Operations Director

Primary role is organize and coordinate match day operations including Tifo display, Capos, and ensuring both are present and covered for home matches. For away matches the Match day Director will see that a capo/supporter lead is present for away viewings.



Melissa Cambra – Merchandise

Merchandise will oversee the production and delivery of new merchandise throughout the season. While the Merchandise is not necessarily responsible for designs, they will oversee that a design is selected and put into production. Furthermore, the role will also ensure that volunteers are present on select game days to assist with both 253D and ECS.



Gabriel Allen – 253 Defiance FC  
Manager/Director

The 253D-FC Manager is in charge of managing and organizing the 253 Defiance team(s). This includes Coed, Men's, Women's leagues made of players of all skill levels. The 253D-FC Manager will further assist with team captains to ensure that all teams are playing in a manner that best represents 253 Defiance.

## 2016 Summer T-Shirt

