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# Press Release

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## **Reading United get in win column with 1-0 victory** *Lyam MacKinnon's second half goal sinks Lone Star*

**READING, PA (May 28, 2021)** – Reading United AC recorded their first win of the 2021 campaign as they outlasted visiting Philadelphia Lone Star and a driving rainstorm to score a 1-0 victory in USL League 2 action. Forward Lyam MacKinnon broke the deadlock in the second half while Jonas Dieseler and the Reading defense kept the clean sheet to hand United boss Casey Moore his first win as coach.

An unseasonably cool, driving rain hindered proceeding in the game's opening half hour. Neither team recorded a shot on goal until the 33rd minute when Lone Star's Bill Walleekendah's powerful shot was well blocked by United defender Raimondo Partito.

As the match headed towards half, Reading found their footing and began to mount pressure on the visitors.

In the 40th minute, MacKinnon raced past his mark on the left flank before squaring for Ike Hollinger. Hollinger only managed to fizz a low shot just wide of the left post.

Wyomissing native Seth Kuhn spurred United's best chance of the first half in the 45th minute. The Reading captain struck a juicy through ball to the feet of MacKinnon, who forced Philly Lone Star goalkeeper Eoin Gawronski into an acrobatic diving stop to keep the match scoreless as the two sides entered halftime.

MacKinnon's stellar play would put Reading United into the lead in the game's 60th minute. Midfielder Alex Hajj found time and space deep in the right channel and hammered a low cross across the face of the Lone Star goal. MacKinnon crashed the far post and steered Hajj's cross into the back of the net to make it 1-0 to United.

Lone Star failed to mount a comeback as Reading maintained possession of the ball and limited the visitors' chances through the game's final 30 minutes. The clean sheet was Reading's first of the season.

United head on the road to face longtime arch rivals, the Ocean City Nor'easters, on Wednesday, June 2nd. Reading United returns home on Saturday, June 12th when they'll face southeastern Pennsylvania foe West Chester United at Don Thomas Stadium. Kickoff is 7:00 pm. It will be Kicks Against Cancer Night, where Reading United will raise cash and awareness in the ongoing fight against cancer. Tickets are available at [www.readingunitecac.com/tickets](http://www.readingunitecac.com/tickets).



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## **ABOUT READING UNITED AC**

Reading United A.C. is the Greater Reading area's premier minor league soccer team. Led by the ownership group of Berks Professional Sports, Inc. the club was founded in 1995 as the Reading Rage. As the club entered its 15<sup>th</sup> season a name, logo, and color change was made to better feature the ties to the local and state community as well as the soccer goals of the team and its partners. Now in its 25th season, Reading United's commitment to professional player development has produced over fifty players currently on the rosters of professional clubs throughout the United States, Europe, and Latin America. Reading United is the official USL League Two affiliate of Major League Soccer's Philadelphia Union. For more information about Reading United A.C., visit [www.readingunitedac.com](http://www.readingunitedac.com).