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American Outlaws Washington D.C

World Cup Guide 2022

Welcome To World Cup 2022!

Hello fellow American Outlaws and those joining us for the first time,

We are excited to welcome you into The District to watch our USMNT take on the world later this fall at the 2022 World Cup! We know many of you have been asking about our World Cup plans and we are hoping this guide will help lay out what we are working on so you can plan accordingly.

Before we get into all of that, we first want to say a quick thank you to all of our members for making us the largest chapter in the United States once again! Our members are the heartbeat of our chapter, and everything we do is for all of you.

Over the past year and a half, the AODC board has worked tirelessly setting up watch parties during World Cup qualifying and planning in preparation for this World Cup and for the USMNT to return to center stage. Please take a moment to say a huge thank you to them, as without all of their work we wouldn't be where we are today.

Speaking of the board, we are coming up on elections next year. We encourage those who might have an interest in getting involved to seek out AODC leadership during this time to ask any questions you may have. Stay tuned for more info as we continue to grow the game locally and nationally.

We also want to thank all of the crew that has worked behind the scene, most especially our partner bar, Astro Beer Hall. They are, without a doubt, the best partner bar in the world. We can't wait to see you all this November as the USMNT sets out on what we hope is a long and exciting World Cup run.

Thanks,

Mark, Jake, Travis, Angus, and Donald Your AODC leadership team

AODC Leadership



Mark Cornick
President AODC
He/Him

Mark has been President of AODC since 2021, and was Vice President from 2016-2018. He is sometimes an AO capo or drummer as well. His favorite US Soccer memory is being present for all three Dos A Ceros in 2021. He yells at clouds for a living.



Jake Didinsky (Jake Maxwell)

AODC Vice President & AODC World Cup Planning Committee Chair They/Them/He/Him
Non-Binary & Pansexual

Jake has been Vice President of AODC since 2021. When it comes to the US national teams, Jake can usually be found in the AO capo stand or section! When not attending or watching matches, they are a professional DJ and music producer. Jake has been a member of AODC since he was 15 and cannot wait to see the growth that is to come over the next few years!



Travis Alvarado
Treasurer
Travis J Alvarado (UnrealTravis)
They/Them/He/Him
Member of the LGBTQIA+ Community - Bi-ceratops

Born and raised in the Washington DC area on the Virginia side in Alexandria / Fairfax. I've been a big sports fan all my life but really soccer is on top of that list since 2010. Outside of the sports scene I can be found, gaming (digital and non digital formats), foodie, amateur cook, traveler, and most importantly a Dreamer!



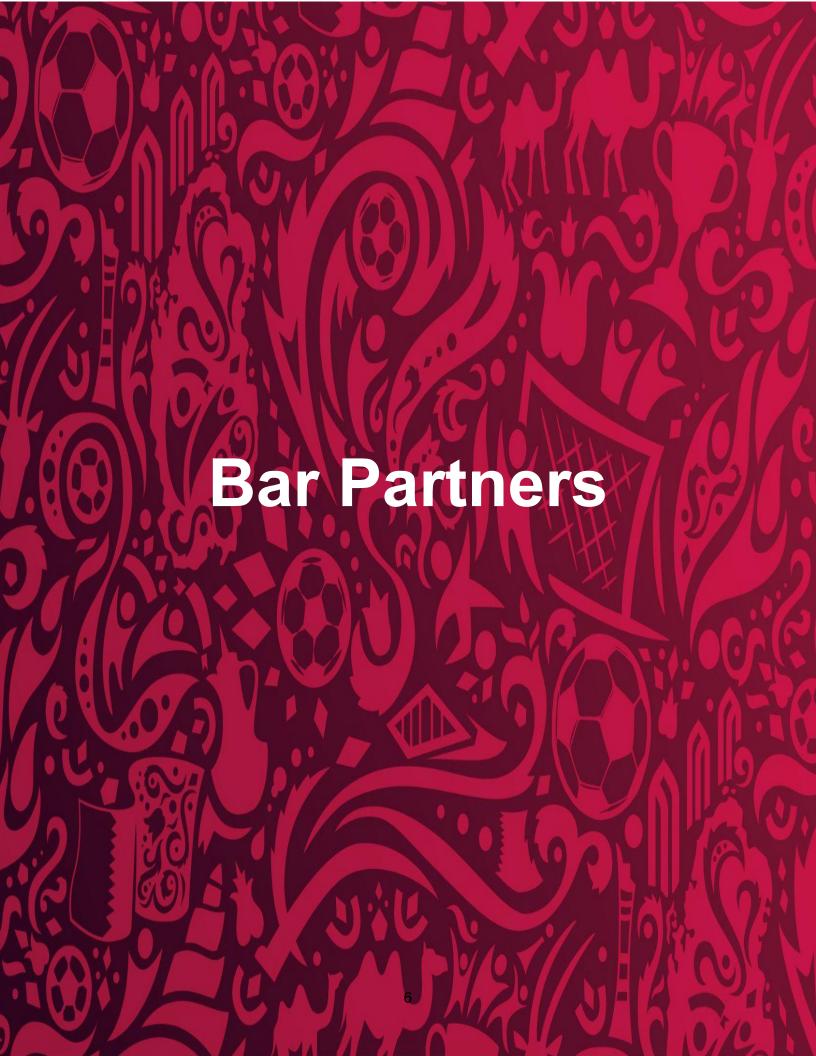
Angus Long At Large He/Him

Angus Long attended his first DC United game in 2018. Since then, he has joined multiple supporters groups and helped keep the spirit alive at the Audi Field for all teams that call it home.



Donald WinePresident Emeritus
He/Him

Donald is a co-founder and past president of AODC, and currently is on the national board of the American Outlaws. He's just here so he won't get fined, but also because he loves this chapter so much.





beer hall

1306 G St NW, Washington, DC 20005

- AODC's official bar partner and our main bar for all USMNT World Cup matches
- Opening at 6:00am on USMNT match days
- Opens at 8:00am on Non-USMNT match days
- Space limited so arrive early
- Open to all fans with some special rules on USMNT match days (See next section)
- Closest Metro station is Metro Center
- 24hr parking garage across the street
- Street parking also available
- Food & nonalcoholic drinks available all day; alcoholic drinks start at 7:00am



1214 18th St NW, Washington, DC 20036

- AODC's official overflow bar partner
- 21+ admitted
- Open 24/7 during the World Cup
- 3 floors (main floor, overhang/VIP, rooftop)
- TVs on all floors
- Will show every match of the World Cup and will welcome fans from all teams
- Food & nonalcoholic drinks available 24/7; alcoholic drinks served 6:00am-4:00am
- Largest bar by size and capacity







- Franklin Hall 348 Florida Ave NW, Washington, DC 20009
 - Opening early (time TBA)
 - o All ages welcome Monday-Friday; 21+ admitted Saturday and Sunday
- Clubhouse Georgetown 1070 Wisconsin Ave NW, Washington, DC 20007
 - Opening early (time TBA)
 - o All ages welcome
- Penn Social 801 E St NW, Washington, DC 20004
 - Opening closer to USMNT match time
 - o 21+ admitted



As it has been since 2011, our main watch party headquarters will continue to be **Astro Beer Hall**. Astro will open at 6:00am on USMNT match days and stay open late into the night accordingly.

- Astro Beer Hall
 - Main bar partner of AODC
 - Opening at 6:00am on USMNT match days
 - Special food items available based on opponent
 - Special drinks available based on opponent
 - AODC merch available for purchase
 - Drum on hand for chanting during USMNT matches
 - Space will be limited so arrive early
 - When capacity is reached, Astro will shift to a 1 in, 1 out policy

In addition to **Astro Beer Hall**, we will have 3-4 additional bar overflow partners. They are as follows:

- Public Bar Live 1214 18th St NW, Washington, DC 20036
- Franklin Hall 348 Florida Ave NW, Washington, DC 20009
- Clubhouse Georgetown 1070 Wisconsin Ave NW, Washington, DC 20007
- Penn Social 801 E St NW, Washington, DC 20004

USMNT Matches

Match Day 1: USMNT vs Wales Monday, November 21st, 2:00pm ET

Match Day 2: USMNT vs England Friday, November 25th, 2:00pm ET

Match Day 3: USMNT vs Iran Tuesday, November 29th, 2:00pm ET

Frequently Asked Questions

What should I expect on a USMNT match day?

Despite the number of bars we have on standby for our members and American fans, Astro Beer Hall is the official host bar for AODC for the 2022 World Cup. If you are attending Astro on a USMNT match day, the entire basement has been reserved for USMNT fans only! So, if you're an AODC member or a USMNT fan, head downstairs to be a part of the great atmosphere that will be cheering the USMNT on for each match!

If you are a fan of an opposing team or other teams in the 2022 World Cup, the upstairs portion of Astro will be where you can watch the games. This includes:

- Anyone wearing any opposing teams colors
- Anyone who plans to cheer for any team other than the USMNT

Fans of opposing teams will not be allowed into the basement on USMNT match days. We will be asking those who violate this rule to please relocate upstairs. USMNT fans may also watch the matches upstairs if they prefer.

Astro Beer Hall will open at 6:00am for every USMNT match day. If things change, we will update everyone accordingly. We encourage everyone to show up early, as we expect Astro to fill up quickly. We cannot guarantee bar access to anyone once the bar has hit capacity. Once the bar has hit capacity, we will be forming a line with a one in, one out policy. Astro has informed us they plan to serve drinks to those waiting in line, but that policy is subject to change.

AODC will do their best to post capacity updates periodically on social media should it be deemed necessary. While we will try our best to stay on top of this, things can get hectic. The best way to guarantee a spot inside Astro is to arrive early.

We will have a limited number of match day specific AODC scarves and other merchandise available for purchase at Astro Beer Hall. This will be a loud environment where you can expect to have drums and chanting from start to finish. Special menu items will be available for purchase on every USMNT match day, including some opponent-themed food items and drinks.

Are there behavior rules for USMNT fans at Astro or Overflow bars?

We want everyone to enjoy themselves at our events during the World Cup! This goes for USMNT matches and non-USMNT matches. For USMNT matches, we expect a very passionate atmosphere, but that doesn't mean you have an open pass to do anything that would reflect poorly on yourself or our chapter, nor will there be room for anything that creates a negative experience for our members. We will not tolerate any homophobic, racist, sexist, transphobic, ageist or other discriminatory remarks or behavior at any of our events or partner bars. Failure to follow these rules could result in removal from the bar, banning from future events, and possible expulsion from the American Outlaws.

Here is a simple set of rules to live by during the World Cup:

- American Outlaws strives to be inclusive for everyone. While we are an American supporters group, we will not tolerate violence of any type towards fans of other teams or fellow Outlaws.
- We ask that you remain respectful towards all fans in attendance at any of our events or while watching any World Cup match.
- If someone becomes aggressive to you or makes you feel uncomfortable, do not engage them. Please find an AODC leader or bar staffer, who will assist you further.
- For USMNT fans, the basement of Astro Beer Hall will be where the most passionate atmosphere will be. Plan to join us there if you're looking for that type of environment. The more casual watchers will likely find the upstairs part of Astro to be more comfortable.
- If attending one of our partner bars or overflow bars, please be respectful of those around you at all times
- These rules apply at all times, regardless of match results.

How do I get to Astro Beer Hall?

Astro Beer Hall is located about 100 yards from the 13th Street NW entrance to the Metro Center Metro station. We highly advise everyone to utilize public transit to get to Astro, especially if you plan to drink. If you need to drive, there is a 24 hour garage across the street (payment required) and several garages in the blocks around the bar.

There is also street parking where available, with payment via the parking kiosks or through 3rd party apps like ParkMobile. Most of these matches will take place during work days, so please plan accordingly with your travel times.

Will Astro and overflow bars be family friendly/all ages?

Astro Beer Hall is family friendly and will be open to people of all ages. However, please keep in mind that Astro will have a passionate environment throughout the bar, so children may hear "adult language" from other patrons.

Franklin Hall and Clubhouse are slated to only allow people over 21 years of age at certain points throughout the tournament. Please call the bar to confirm if you have questions.

Can I attend Astro/Overflow bars if I am a fan of another team?

The American Outlaws have always strived to be inclusive for everyone, while this includes opposing fans, this does come with some expectations. If you are a fan of an opposing team or a non-USMNT fan attending World Cup matches at Astro Beer Hall or any of our overflow partner bars, we ask that you please adhere to the following rules:

- Please be respectful to all fans and remember that you are a guest in a USMNT host bar
- Please make yourself familiar with the chapter leadership in attendance so that you can address any issues in a timely manner.
- If someone becomes aggressive to you or makes you feel uncomfortable, do not engage and find an AODC leader or bar staffer who will assist you further
- Please do not go downstairs to watch the match if you are at Astro Beer Hall. The
 basement is reserved for USMNT fans. We encourage you to cheer for your team,
 but you must remain in the upstairs portion of the bar. Failure to follow this rule
 may result in removal from the bar and a ban from all future events.
- During the match we encourage you to cheer, but please do not become aggressive or provoke USMNT fans.
- These rules apply at all times, regardless of match results.

AODC World Cup Merchandise

Over the last few years, AODC has worked hard to create memorable moments as the USMNT chases a World Cup title. Part of this includes creating special merchandise to help unite The District behind our national teams. We have some new merchandise created specifically for this tournament that we hope will excite you.

First, we will have match scarves for each USMNT match during the group stage! We will only have these scarves available at Astro Beer Hall and they will be limited to 100 of each design. Arrive early to give yourself the best opportunity to grab one!

Match Day 1: Wales



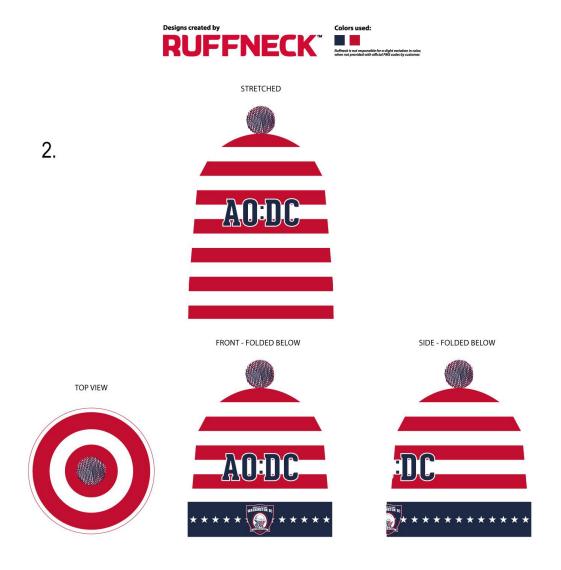
Match Day 2: England



Match Day 3: Iran



In addition to match scarves, we are also launching a new beanie that should be ready to keep you warm and looking good throughout the World Cup! The beanie is a throwback to our beloved Waldo kits, the greatest jersey in U.S. Soccer history, and features an AODC wordmark, the AODC logo, and a pom up top!



We are also excited to announce that we have launched a special line of merch with Stimulus to celebrate the 2022 World Cup! Head to our <u>Stimulus store</u>, where you can order 6 different jerseys as well as 3 track jackets!

We begin with our 2022 home and away jerseys! The AODC home and away jerseys feature a design that serves as a nod to the World Cup hosts, while still including everything that makes AODC unique.





We are also excited to share the AODC World Cup alternate jerseys! Both jerseys pay tribute to our vibrant LGBTQIA+ community, but anyone can show their Pride year round with these incredible jerseys. A portion of the proceeds from sales of our Pride jerseys will benefit LGBTQ+ charities doing great work in DC.





Our home, away, and Pride designs have several options, including short sleeve jerseys, long sleeve jerseys, and track jackets!

Finally, we are excited to welcome back two of our most popular jerseys, the Pride Sash jersey and the Cherry Blossom jersey! For a limited time, these jerseys will also be available for purchase.





Do not wait to get a hold of these great jerseys. Head to our <u>Stimulus store</u> right now to place your order!

