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Soccer Opens Exhibition Slate Against Indiana

Flames and Hoosiers tangle in Fort Wayne, Ind., on Tuesday.

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Fort Wayne, Ind.- Fans will get their first look at the 2006 UIC soccer team on Tuesday when the Flames grapple with Indiana in the exhibition opener at the Fort Wayne Sport Club.

Kickoff is at 5:00 p.m. Eastern. Tickets for the event are \$5 for adults and \$3 for youth, while children ages 10 and under will be admitted for free. All proceeds benefit the Jim Kelley Fort Wayne Sport Club Youth Soccer Complex.

The match is the first of two exhibition contests in Fort Wayne for the Flames. UIC will tangle with IUPUI at the IPFW Soccer Showcase for the second consecutive season this Friday night.

UIC enters the year with high hopes following a 2005 campaign in which the Flames finished 10-5-2, doubling their 2004 win total and posting the sixth-best turnaround in the NCAA during Head Coach [John Trask's](#) first season at the helm.

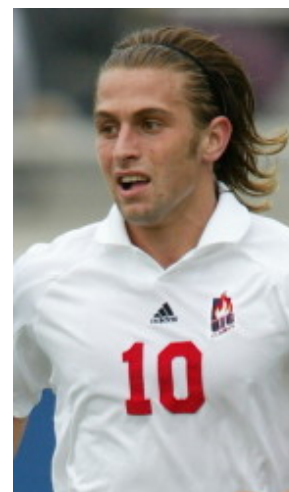
The Flames return nine starters from last season, including the All-Horizon League First Team trio of junior midfielder [Pavle Dundjer](#) (7 goals, 8 assists, 22 points), senior striker [Tonci Skroce](#) (8 goals, 3 assists, 19 points) and junior midfielder [Cesar Zambrano](#) (4 goals, 4 assists, 12 points).

Indiana enters this year following a 13-3-6 campaign. The Hoosiers return five starters from last year's squad.

This marks the second straight season that the Flames and Hoosiers will collide in the preseason.

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Senior forward Tonci Skroce and the Flames take on Indiana on Tuesday night.

