

Internationale

Internationale Football Club is a professional association football club, based in Gilbey Town, SPR, Pharos. The team currently compete in the PSC Championship, the third tier of Pharonian football system.

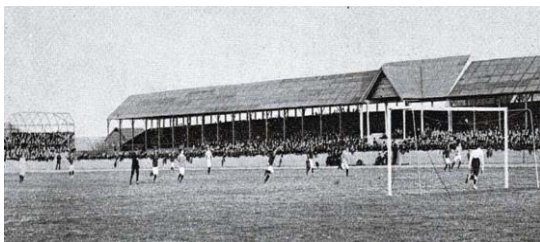


History

Formation and early history

Internationale FC was formed in 1886, when a team known as Inter Institute FC (formed 1884) merged with Sig Hill Nationals FC (formed 1882), although their official founding date is 1882, the same as when the latter was first formed.

Internationale became a professional team in 1889. The club was elected into the Southern Football League in 1890 and then to the SPR Football League. Their first title was the SPR Cup, when they beat Ferephon Union 1-0 on 26 March 1893. They first won the SPR Championship title in 1894 and repeated their feat in 1895, despite the presence of the then mighty Alma Sport. They would win another two championships, in 1899 and 1901.



Sig Hill Park Royal Ground

Society's show grounds from 1904 to 1907 which had a capacity of 20,000. When the Society sold the grounds in 1907, the club moved to the Sig Hill Park Royal Ground, 400 yards south, with a capacity of 30,000. They were forced to move out in February 1915 as the ground was taken over by the Army.

Internationale played their home games in nearly 10 different stadia (a league record), before permanently settling in Sutfol Road Grounds in 1917. The club played on two grounds within Sig Hill Park. The first was the Horse Ring, the site of the now-demolished Ginser Brewery, on the Royal Agricultural



Sutfol Road Stadion, 1917



Internationale 1906-07

A great Internazionale team immersed in the 1906-16 decade, winning 6 SPR Championship titles, but was aging when the National Championship was first held in 1917. Players like goalkeeper Ducem Krasnit, defenders Cornel Sotta and Edin Hebern, midfielders Gebor Taib, Noth Illon and Jelmer Dragon and forwards Valter Anold and Russian-Pharonian Dimitri Verin were famous in that era. This great

Inter team would compete in the National Championship from 1920 to 1922, finishing twice in 4th place, before most of the players ended their playing careers.

Three National Championship missed opportunities (1934, 1945, 1951)

In 1934 Internazionale was SPR champions, 12 years after their last one in 1922 and they competed in the National Championship as SPR representatives. They were leading the table from the start and before their last game in Mandras, they were up 2 points from Zaria, needing a draw to secure the title. In a packed Dicestraat Stadion, Internazionale went ahead in the first half with Milton Bala, but Gaal Dimm, the league's top scorer, gave the Mandras side the win and the title on goal difference, scoring twice in the second half. The team, that also reached 4th place in the 1938 Nationals, featured players like goalkeeper Roger Storl (voted best keeper in 1934), defenders Valron Kurt and Georg Smas, midfielders Dewlat Sanak and Kol Papa and forwards Milton Bala and Tyron Ene.



Roger Storl

Another opportunity for a National Championship came in 1945,



Salvor Sopp

when Internazionale broke Ferephon's domination in the SPR local scene. They were a team of young players, many of them American-Pharonians who were stationed in Gilbey during the WWII, like goalkeeper Bil Gysper, defender Ton Matern and veteran forwards Salvor Sopp and Marlon Dreis. With 2 games left to play, Inter was leading the table 2 points clear of Dominic and 3 from Select. They suffered 2 defeats, 4-1 in Deltalene and 0-1 to bottom-place FTK in Gilbey, thus losing the title.

Zaria was again in Internazionale's path to their first ever National Championship in 1951. The Gilbey side could not take advantage of AG Nobel's defeat in Deltalene, as they lost to the Mandras side 5-3. AGN maintained the 1-point lead and took

the title by winning their last game against FTK, as Inter's 2-0 win over Rutugrian just kept the runner-up position.

Decline

From their 1952 SPR Championship title until the formation of the PSL in 1981, Internationale would win 5 more local titles out of 29, with Ferephon Union and Alma Sport dominating the



Lathan Ammelroy

scene in South Pharos. A 4th place in 1963 and a 5th one in 1960 were their best performances in the National Championships. Lathan Ammelroy (best keeper in 1963) and defender Idor Fenis (the only player who constantly wore plastic glasses during games) were the best players of that era, even making it to the newly formed National team.



Idor Fenis

When PSL was formed in 1981, Internationale was put in the second

division along with Pharos Juniors as SPR's representatives (Ferephon Union and Alma Sport were the 2 teams assigned to PSL A from SPR).

From 1981 to 1987 that PSL changed its format to a 24 team with regular season and play-offs, Internationale remained in PSL B. They almost reached promotion in 1984, when they went level on points with Ceiserstellen, with the Hammerfest side gaining promotion thanks to a better goal difference.

SPR local Champions and PSC National Championships

Internationale won 14 SPR Championships from 1991 to 2013, when PSL expanded again and PSC teams could gain promotion to PSL through a PSC National Championship. They made a 7-in-a-row SPR Championship series (1991-97), a 6-in-a-row one later on (2005-10) and their last one in 2013, that gave them a spot in PSC National Championship of 2013-14. In 2016 they came close to PSL promotion, but lost to Dynamo Corel 4-2 in the PSL/PSC play-offs. In 2025 they finished level with Gint Lakers and Cardenas SFC, but were placed 5th due to worse goal difference and missed the play-offs.

The Stadium and ownership

Initial renderings were presented in 2003, but it wasn't until 2010 that construction began as procedural and financial problems were holding the project back. Once works began, it took just over 2 years to make the stadium operational. It's located southbound, near a highway hub, replacing old market warehouses. Designed by Bontick architecture, the stadium was



Ghelamco (Internationale) Arena

to be combination of football ground and office building, thus the domination of glass and vast space inside, finding tenants since the very opening. Incorporated into the façade are LED lights allowing to present static and dynamic images. The seating layout in a single tier sees capacity at 20,000 (with VIP/corporate balconies and skyboxes atop the stands on both sides of the pitch), but with expansion possible. Ghelamco insurance financed a major portion of the project and had naming rights for 12 years, till 2025.

On the 30th of June 2025, the contract with Ghelamco concerning the name rights ended and the letters GHELAMCO were removed from the roof of the stadium. During the 2025-26 season, the name temporarily changed in Internationale Arena, in attendance of a new name and sponsor.



Arcadia Deus-Hill and Fil Deus

In 2023, media and sports entrepreneur Fil Deus and his Pharonian-American wife Arcadia Deus-Hill, fashion publisher and singer, bought almost 80% of the club's shares from previous owner and chairman Lathan Lattim and minor shareholders. They also acquired the stadium, by buying-off the Ghelamco Bank debt. The whole deal was estimated at around 33 mln ff. Arcadia Deus-Hill became the new chairperson of the club.



Former Inter chairman Lathan Lattim and new owner Fil Deus after the agreement for the club transfer