

= Andre Boucaud =

Andre Christopher Boucaud (born 10 October 1984) is a professional footballer who plays as a midfielder for League Two club Dagenham & Redbridge .

Boucaud started his career in the youth system at Queens Park Rangers before moving to Reading , with whom he signed a professional contract in 2002 . He had two spells on loan with Peterborough United in 2003 and signed for the club permanently in 2004 . He had a loan spell with Aldershot Town of the Conference National in 2005 and was released by Peterborough in 2006 . Boucaud spent a season with Kettering Town in the Conference North before signing for League Two club Wycombe Wanderers in 2007 . He was released after one season and went on to spend two and a half seasons with Kettering after returning in 2008 . He left them after signing for York City in 2011 , following an initial loan spell at the club . Boucaud signed for Luton Town shortly after a year with York . Less than a year later he joined Notts County on loan , before signing permanently in 2013 . In 2014 he signed for League Two side Dagenham & Redbridge after leaving Notts County .

Despite being born in England , Boucaud has represented Trinidad and Tobago , the homeland of his parents , at international level . He made his debut in 2004 as a substitute against Iraq , with his first start coming against Northern Ireland . He played in three 2006 FIFA World Cup qualifiers for Trinidad .

= = Club career = =

= = = Early career = = =

Born in Enfield , London , Boucaud joined the youth system at Queens Park Rangers in 2000 and after the club lost their Academy status he moved to the Reading youth system towards the end of 2001 . After breaking into Reading 's reserve team he signed a professional contract with the club on 25 March 2002 that contracted him at the club until the summer of 2004 . Boucaud was pursued by Premier League club Arsenal although he stayed with Reading as they gave him a three @-@ year contract . He was loaned out to Second Division side Peterborough United until the end of the 2002 ? 03 season on 27 March 2003 and he made his debut two days later as an 85th minute substitute in a 5 ? 1 victory at Mansfield Town . He finished the season with six appearances for Peterborough .

Reading agreed to allow Boucaud to rejoin Peterborough on loan in June 2003 , and Reading manager Alan Pardew said " he 's done enough to convince me that I shouldn 't keep him there for too long " . His return to Peterborough was completed on an initial one @-@ month loan on 8 August 2003 . His first appearance after returning was in a 4 ? 3 defeat to Hartlepool United the following day , and in September 2003 Peterborough manager Barry Fry said he wanted to extend Boucaud 's stay at the club . Having made nine appearances and scored one goal for Peterborough in two months , he returned to Reading on 7 October 2003 .

= = = Peterborough United = = =

Fry spoke of his desire to re @-@ sign Boucaud , and after Reading released him on 10 May 2004 he re @-@ signed for Peterborough on a two @-@ year contract on 14 May . He made 24 appearances and scored one goal during the 2004 ? 05 season . Boucaud joined Conference National team Aldershot Town on a three @-@ month loan on 16 September 2005 . He returned to Peterborough after being recalled from his loan on 15 December 2005 , which he finished with 13 appearances . Following his return to the club he was challenged by manager Mark Wright to fight for his place in the team . After failing to figure in Wright 's and subsequently Steve Bleasdale 's plans , Boucaud was released by Peterborough on 9 May 2006 after his contract was allowed to expire .

== Kettering Town ==

He signed for Conference North team Kettering Town on 19 May 2006 and made his debut in a 1 ? 0 victory over Hyde United on 12 August . He stayed with the club for one season and appeared in both legs of the play @-@ off semi @-@ final against Farsley Celtic , which Kettering lost 4 ? 2 in a penalty shoot @-@ out following a 1 ? 1 draw on aggregate . He made 50 appearances and scored five goals for the club before leaving on 5 June 2007 after new manager Mark Cooper decided against retaining him .

== Wycombe Wanderers ==

Boucaud joined League Two side Wycombe Wanderers on a free transfer on a one @-@ year contract on 8 August 2007 after impressing during a pre @-@ season trial . His debut came as a 78th @-@ minute substitute in Wycombe 's opening day 1 ? 0 defeat against Accrington Stanley on 11 August 2007 . This was followed by his first start in a 2 ? 2 draw at Dagenham & Redbridge the following weekend . He finished the 2007 ? 08 season with 11 appearances for Wycombe and the club released him on 21 May 2008 .

== Return to Kettering Town ==

He rejoined Kettering , by this time in the Conference Premier , on a one @-@ year contract on 5 August 2008 . He played for Kettering when they were defeated 4 ? 2 by Premier League side Fulham in the fourth round of the FA Cup on 24 January 2009 , and was named man of the match by the Daily Mirror , who reported that Boucaud " ran the midfield " . Manager Cooper said in February 2009 he believed Boucaud was set " for greater things " after his performances during the 2008 ? 09 season . He finished the season with 55 appearances and Kettering took up an option to extend his contract in May 2009 . He played a part when Kettering reached the FA Cup second round in the 2009 ? 10 season , playing in a 1 ? 1 draw with League One team Leeds United and in the 5 ? 1 defeat in the replay . This season saw Boucaud make 41 appearances .

Boucaud committed his future to Kettering after signing a new two @-@ year contract with the club in May 2010 . He made his first appearance of the 2010 ? 11 season in a 0 ? 0 draw at Gateshead on 14 August 2010 . He was handed the captaincy in October following the appointment of Marcus Law as manager .

== York City ==

After Kettering chairman Imraan Ladak decided to reduce the club 's wage bill , Boucaud joined Conference Premier rivals York City on loan until January 2011 on 26 November 2010 , with a view to a permanent transfer upon completion of the loan period . He had made 21 appearances for Kettering up to that point in the season . His debut for York came as a 76th @-@ minute substitute in a 0 ? 0 draw at Kidderminster Harriers on 30 November 2010 , which was followed by his first start and home debut in a 1 ? 0 defeat to Conference North side Boston United in the FA Trophy first round on 11 December . Boucaud signed for York permanently for a fee of £ 20 @, @ 000 on 5 January 2011 on a two @-@ and @-@ half @-@ year contract that would expire in the summer of 2013 . His first game after signing permanently came after starting in a 1 ? 0 victory over Grimsby Town on 11 January 2011 . He finished the season with 20 York appearances .

Boucaud scored his first goal for York with the side 's opening goal in a 5 ? 1 victory away at former club Kettering on 23 August 2011 . He was handed a three @-@ match suspension after being red carded during a 0 ? 0 draw away at Barrow on 19 November 2011 after being adjudged by the referee to have raised his arms during the melee following the sending off of teammate Jason Walker during stoppage time . York 's Conference Premier rivals Fleetwood Town made an offer for Boucaud during the January 2012 transfer window , but this was rejected by manager Gary Mills .

== Luton Town ==

Boucaud signed for York 's Conference Premier rivals Luton Town on a one @-@ and @-@ a @-@ half @-@ year contract for a fee of £ 25 @, @ 000 on 31 January 2012 . He played in six games before falling out of favour with new Luton manager Paul Buckle , who used Boucaud in just one game as a substitute .

== Notts County ==

During pre @-@ season for the 2012 ? 13 campaign , Buckle stated that " [Boucaud] ? s not in our plans , he knows that . " On 1 August 2012 , Boucaud joined League One side Notts County on loan until January 2013 . He made his debut for Notts County in a 2 ? 0 victory over Hartlepool on 21 August 2012 , winning the man of the match award in what was described as an " assured performance ... knitting play together well with short , sharp passes " . Boucaud scored his first goal for the club in a 2 ? 1 victory over Coventry City on 20 October 2012 , with a strike from 25 yards . It was also his first Football League goal in eight years . He signed for Notts County permanently on a one @-@ and @-@ a @-@ half @-@ year contract for an undisclosed fee on 10 January 2013 . Boucaud was a key player for County as he completed the season with 43 appearances and one goal for Notts County . However , he fell out of favour under Shaun Derry and was released in May 2014 having made 33 appearances in the 2013 ? 14 season .

== Dagenham & Redbridge ==

In July 2014 , he joined League Two side Dagenham & Redbridge on trial , and impressed in the pre @-@ season before signing a one @-@ year contract on 7 August . He made his debut in a 3 ? 0 home defeat to Morecambe on the opening day of the 2014 ? 15 season on 9 August 2014 .

== International career ==

Although born in England , Boucaud qualifies to play for Trinidad and Tobago through his parents , with his father born in Port of Spain and his mother born in Princes Town . At the age of 19 his international debut came as a 61st @-@ minute substitute in a 2 ? 0 friendly victory over Iraq at The Hawthorns on 23 May 2004 . A week later , he played in a 4 ? 1 defeat against Scotland on 30 May 2004 , in which he forced goalkeeper Craig Gordon into making a save from a " raking drive " . His first start for Trinidad was in a 3 ? 0 defeat to Northern Ireland on 6 June 2004 . He played in three 2006 FIFA World Cup qualifiers for Trinidad , playing against Saint Kitts and Nevis once and Mexico twice .

Boucaud was called up by Trinidad for the first time since 2004 for a friendly against Haiti on 10 August 2011 , although the game was postponed due to a lack of funds . This was followed by a call @-@ up for Trinidad 's 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifiers against Bermuda and Barbados . He was named on the bench for both of these matches . Boucaud was not capped again until 4 June 2013 , when he started in Trindad 's 4 ? 0 friendly defeat away to Romania . He scored his first international goal in a 3 ? 1 win over Saudi Arabia in the 2013 OSN Cup on 9 September 2013 .

== Style of play ==

Boucaud is a midfielder who can play in attacking and defensive midfield positions . He is described as a " stylish player with a deft touch " who has " the ability to create chances as well as provide a shield to the [defence] " . After signing for Wycombe in 2007 he was described by manager Paul Lambert as a " gritty competitor who is also very good on the ball " .

== Personal life ==

While suffering an unknown illness in the summer of 2009 , it was suspected that Boucaud could have contracted swine flu . His first child was born in 2010 .

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As of match played 7 May 2016 .

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As of match played 3 June 2016 .

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As of match played 3 June 2016 . Trinidad and Tobago score listed first , score column indicates score after each Boucaud goal .