



## VA National Championship Series Week 2 Spotlight 13U Boys

The round of 16 kicks off this weekend for the U13 Boys age group.

- To begin the tournament, 4 teams had a play-in game to make it to the round of 16. First up, **Southwest Virginia Rush** battled against **T AFC Team America** at their house in a nail-biter. T AFC came out on top in overtime to win 3-1. In the round of 16, T AFC will be facing a very tough task of trying to knock out the #1 seed, **VLSC CCL Elite** at home.
- The other play-in game, **NVSC 05B CCL** won 2-1 in another close battle against the **Manassas SC Lions**. NVSC will head into the round of 16 to face the #2 seeded team, **Beach FC 05B Red**.
- This leaves 6 more games to complete the round of 16. #8 seed, **SDOR Barca 05 Elite** are at home as they take on #9 seed **Alexandria 05 Boys Red** in a great match up. Both teams will be going into the match with confidence as they were Champions of their most recent events, the APC Premier Cup and the ASK Full Sided Weekend.
- In the next match up, we have the #5 seeded **Lee Mount Vernon Patriots 05B** versus #12 seeded **Fredericksburg FC Boys Black**. LMVS were semi-finalists of the Jefferson Cup, and FFC were finalists of the St. Patrick's Day Tournament. Both of those results early last month should give these teams confidence when facing off against one another this weekend.
- **Herndon Ciclones Black** will have a tough task of playing the #4 seed, **SOCA-CHAR Elite 05** at home in the next match up. The winner of that game will look to advance against the winner of LMVS and FFC.
- Next, **McLean 05B Green** will try and move past **FC Richmond Magic**, who battled hard in the Jefferson Cup. The winner of that match up will face the winner of **Virginia Rush 05** and the finalist of the Jefferson Cup – **Arlington Boys Red**.
- Last but not least, **Loudoun** are at home against a close opponent, the **SYA Cardinals 05B Red**. Loudoun were recent champions of the Jefferson Cup and **Arlington** were finalists of their Arlington Tournament Series. This should be a very close game to close out the round of 16.