



VA National Championship Series Week 4 Spotlight 14U Boys

Eight elite teams in the boys 14U age group from around Virginia will play in the quarterfinal round this weekend. Each team will be playing for the opportunity to compete in the semi-finals on Saturday, May 19th, at the Publix Virginia Training Center in Fredericksburg in hopes of becoming Virginia State Champions!

- Top ranked **Arlington Red** easily won in their first match against New River United after having a bye in the first round. Grant Smith, the 2011 VYSA Competitive Coach of the Year, leads these boys into the quarter finals to face the **Southwestern Youth Association Cardinals**. SYA narrowly emerged from their round of 16 match, beating McLean in penalty kicks. Coach Chris McCartney will have his SYA team ready to face a tough opponent in Arlington in their quarterfinal match.
- **Alexandria Red** pulled off an upset last round to advance to the quarter finals beating fifth ranked Beach FC Red in a shutout. Coach Scott Senkier will take his team on the road to face **Virginia Legacy** in the quarterfinals. Legacy and coach Steve Shaw easily beat the Springfield/South County Lions in the round of 16. Both coaches have their team finishing chances and defending well.
- Number three seeded **Lee-Mount Vernon Patriot Red** advanced into the quarter finals beating Doradus Elite in their first State Cup match. LMVSC coach Jose Maldonado is also leading his 13U boys to the quarterfinals. Their opponent, **Northern Virginia Soccer Club** won a very close match against Loudoun Red in the round of 16. NVSC and coach Eber Martinez's will take his team on the road to face LMVSC for another hard fought match.
- **Stafford Revolution Blue** has tallied an impressive 16 goals in their last two games beating Central Virginia United in the round of 16. Stafford coach Fernando Ramos will face tough competition in the next round traveling to Charlottesville to take on second ranked SOCA Elite. **SOCA** and coach AJ Barnold beat Winchester United after having a bye in the first round. Both coaches wear several coaching hats, Ramos as the girls head coach at Mt. View High School and Barnold as an assistant with the University of Virginia.