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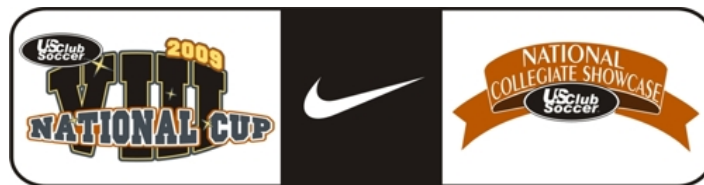
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Preview of 2009 National Cup VIII Finals boys' championship games

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. (July 27, 2009) – Matchups for the eight national championship games for U-13 through U-17 boys' teams as part of US Club Soccer's National Cup VIII Finals have been determined after three days of preliminary-round competition. The games will be contested on Tues., July 28, at the Hampton Roads Soccer Complex in Virginia Beach, Va.

The July 25-28 event for boys' teams complements the July 31-Aug. 3 event for girls' teams, which will also be held in conjunction with the National Collegiate Showcase.

U-13 Boys Super Group | Tues., July 28 | 8 a.m. | HRSC #6

Ironbound SC Fury (N.J.) vs. Chicago G-Force (Ill.)

The U-13 Boys Super Group championship pits the LaGrangeville, N.Y., Regional champion (Ironbound SC Fury) against the Indianapolis Regional champion (Chicago G-Force).

Both squads went 3-0 in round-robin play, capturing the maximum nine points. Ironbound SC and Chicago G-Force clinched a berth in the championship game with wins over the second-place teams in Group A and Group B, respectively.

U-14 Boys Super Group | Tues., July 28 | 8 a.m. | HRSC #15

Colorado Rapids (Colo.) vs. Lake Grove United (N.Y.)

The winners from the Pittsgrove, N.J., Regional and the Denver Regional will face off for the U-14 Boys Super Group championship.

A tie in Lake Grove United's final round-robin game secured a spot in the championship game, while the Rapids advanced courtesy of a two-win, one-tie performance over the past three days.

U-15 Boys Super Group | Tues., July 28 | 8 a.m. | HRSC #14

Emerald City M93 Green (Wash.) vs. Rockford Raptors/Dactyls 93/94 (Ill.)

Emerald City M93 Green, the Burlington, Wash., Regional winner, will face Indianapolis Regional victor Rockford Raptors/Dactyls 93/94 in the U-15 Boys Super Group championship game. The Illinois-based Rockford Raptors/Dactyls squad will look to avenge its 1-0, first-game loss at the hands of their opponent in the championship.

Emerald City M93 Green finished round-robin play with 7 points while Rockford Raptors/Dactyls 93/94 produced six points.

U-15 Boys Premier | Tues., July 28 | 8 a.m. | HRSC #13

Jacksonville Fury (Fla.) vs. Jamestown SC Jammers Gold (N.C.)

Jacksonville Fury takes a 3-0 record into the U-15 Boys Premier national championship game against Jamestown SC Jammers Gold, the Winston-Salem, N.C., Regional champions and a team the Floridians defeated on Sun., July 26, by a 2-1 score in round-robin play.

Jamestown SC Jammers Gold secured passage into Tuesday's final with a win over West Babylon United (N.Y.) in its third and final round-robin game, while Jacksonville Fury was guaranteed to play in the championship game after Sunday's victory.

U-16 Boys Super Group | Tues., July 28 | 10 a.m. | HRSC #7

St. Louis Scott Gallagher (Mo.) vs. Cerritos Regional SC Brigade (Calif.)

Missouri's St. Louis Scott Gallagher will take on California's Cerritos Regional SC Brigade in the U-16 Boys Super Group national championship game.

Indianapolis Regional champion St. Louis Scott Gallagher earned 7 points during preliminary-round play and will look to capture a national championship after not advancing to the title contest during last year's National Cup VII Finals.

Cerritos Regional SC Brigade jumped from third place in Group A to secure a spot in the championship game with a 3-1 victory over Sunrise Elite (Fla.), which previously held the top spot.

U-16 Boys Premier | Tues., July 28 | 10 a.m. | HRSC #13

Jamestown SC Jammers Gold (N.C.) vs. Black Watch Premier North/Highlanders (N.Y.)

The U-16 Boys Premier championship game will be a rematch of the teams' first round-robin game, a 1-0 victory to the Jamestown SC Jammers Gold.

Both teams advanced to the championship game with one-goal wins in their final round-robin contest. Jamestown SC Jammers Gold defeated Coral Springs (Fla.) by a 3-2 margin for a total of 7 points in three games. Black Watch Premier North/Highlanders edged North Stars (Pa.), 1-0, to take a 2-1 record into the championship game.

Black Watch Premier North/Highlanders advanced to the Finals by virtue of its U-16 Boys Premier Pittsgrove, N.J., Regional title, while Jamestown SC Jammers Gold is representing the Winston-Salem, N.C., Regional.

U-17 Boys Super Group | Tues., July 28 | 10 a.m. | HRSC #8

FC Irvine Toros (Calif.) vs. Shattuck-St. Mary's (Minn.)

Shattuck-St. Mary's, the Indianapolis Regional champion, will face the FC Irvine Toros in an attempt to notch the club's first U-17 Boys Super Group national championship after falling short in the National Cup Finals in each of the past two years.

San Bernardino, Calif., Regional titlist FC Irvine Toros and the PASCO Stallions Juniors were both tied atop Group A with 7 points at the conclusion of round-robin play after playing to a 2-2 stalemate, but the California club advanced to the championship game by virtue of goal differential.

Shattuck-St. Mary's won Group B with 7 points via two wins and a tie.

U-17 Boys Premier | Tues., July 28 | 10 a.m. | HRSC #6

Triangle United Silver (N.C.) vs. North Stars (Pa.)

A pair of east coast teams – Triangle United Silver and the North Stars – will square off in the U-17 Boys Premier championship game.

Triangle United Silver moved onto the national championship game with a perfect 3-0 record at the Finals, while North Stars tied the MPS Crusaders to solidify the Pennsylvania club's spot in Tuesday's contest with a 2-0-1 mark.

Follow all the action from Virginia Beach, Va., at the [2009 National Cup VIII Finals/National Collegiate Showcase Online Headquarters](#), with daily results, photos, features, a blog and more.

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