



After the ID Camp in Georgia in January, Russell Finch, head coach of the G13 Rush Select, assessed the 53 players in attendance and created a pool of players. After a successful trip to the quarter finals at PDT, Russell put together a new group of players that consisted of only four players from the previous tournament to compete in Decatur, AL in the Open Cup.

The Open Cup was very excited to host our Select teams (the G16 Select also attended losing out in the semi-finals), even offering our players free hotel rooms for the duration.

The G13 Select breezed through the first three games winning 3-0, 3-0 and 4-1, and then headed off to the final where they beat MSC Lakers from Louisiana 4-2 to take home the title.

Check out the video of the girls celebrating Rush style on the winners podium, [We are the Rush!](#)

Congratulations to Russell and all of the girls, listed below, and good luck in the next event where they travel to San Diego, California to compete at the Surf Cup.

"I honestly believe that this group of girls play some of the BEST possession and attack orientated soccer in the country," said Finch. "I can't believe how average they can make good teams look, based on the amount of possession they have, the purpose in which they possess the ball and their ideas going forward. They are an incredibly dynamic and creative group who are a joy to coach and admire from the sidelines. Their individual Rush clubs/coaches have done a tremendous job developing these players the "Rush Way", and now we have an opportunity to prove ourselves at the most competitive girls tournament in the US."

U13 OPEN CUP ROSTER:

Kyra Glakas (DE)

Riley Whitaker (IA)

Riley Tilton (IA)

Chloee Kooker (IA)

Emily Fontana (IA)

Megan Gray (IA)

Nicole May (MI)

Courtney Gozdor (MI)

Morgan Kloosterman (MI)

Annika Dahlmann (MI)

Brianna Martinez (NM)

Shayla Smart (FL)

Adelyn Claborn (FL)

Madison Lamb (FL)

Lara Wright (FL)

Julia Curatolo (FL)

Alyssa Molar (FL)