The third National Event for the 2012-13 Elite Clubs National League (ECNL) season is set to take place in Frisco, Texas February 22-24 and 11 Rush teams will be in attendance. Below, directors for the three Rush clubs in the ECNL, Colorado, Texas and Virginia, preview the weekend.

COLORADO RUSH ECNL
“This weekend represents an excellent challenge for our teams," said Colorado Rush Technical Director Erik Bushey. "We are coming off of a good winter season of training but unfortunately one filled with few competitive matches. The positive side to that is our players will be hungry for the real match play. The 15’s and 16’s play some of the toughest games at the event and will need to be at their best to come out on top. For sure all four teams have games that will test them. Results will certainly impact our standings one way or another but more than anything we want to perform at our highest level possible, play attractive soccer for those who are watching and to begin our spring on a positive note.”

Team	Day 1 Opponent/Conference Rank	Day 2 Opponent/Conference Rank	Day 3 Opponent/Conference Rank
U15 CO Rush	D'Feeters - 8th in Texas	Dallas Texans - 2nd in Texas	Michigan Hawks - 2nd in Midwest
U16 CO Rush	Dallas Sting - 1st in Texas	D'Feeters - 5th in Texas	Dallas Texans - 2nd in Texas
U17 CO Rush	AHFC - 7th in Texas	Carmel United - 8th in M.Atlantic	Sporting Blue Valley - 1st in Midwest
U18 CO Rush	Lonestar SC - 5th in Texas	Dallas Sting - 3rd in Texas	D'Feeters - 7th in Texas

TEXAS RUSH ECNL
"The ECNL National Event in Dallas is the biggest on our calendar with all 5 of our ECNL teams attending and 15 games in 3 days. A break from conference play is always a great opportunity to evaluate our program on a national level. The players are looking forward to some very competitive matches and the opportunity to perform in front of the extensive list of college coaches attending," commented Texas Rush Director of Coaching - ECNL Andy Squire.

Team	Day 1 Opponent/Conference Rank	Day 2 Opponent/Conference Rank	Day 3 Opponent/Conference Rank
U14 TX Rush	Sockers FC - 3rd in Midwest	Sereno - 4th in Mountain	Michigan Hawks - 1st in Midwest
U15 TX Rush	Michigan Hawks - 2nd in Midwest	SLSG - 5th in Midwest	Carolina Elite - 7th in Southeast

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U16 TX Rush	WA Premier - 2nd in Northwest	Carolina Elite - 8th in Southeast	Atlanta Fire - 4th in Southeast
U17 TX Rush	Orlando City - 7th in Southeast	Bethesda - 7th in MidAtlantic	Gwinnet Academy - 9th in Southeast
U18 TX Rush	Carolina Elite - 3rd in Southeast	SLSG - 5th in Midwest	Minnesota Thunder - 4th in Midwest

VIRGINIA RUSH ECNL
"This weekend kicks off an 8 game schedule of the next month," said Matt Mittelstaedt, Director of ECNL for Virginia Rush. "Getting off to a great start this weekend will carry huge momentum into the reminder of our conference schedule. We have been talking about making a end of season run with the girls and it all starts this weekend."

Team	Day 1 Opponent/Conference Rank	Day 2 Opponent/Conference Rank	Day 3 Opponent/Conference Rank
U16 VA Rush	Colorado Storm - 5th in Mountain	Solar-Chelsea - 9th in Texas	Wisconsin Eclipse - 8th in Midwest
U17 VA Rush	Real Colorado - 6th in Mountain	Utah Avalanche - 2nd in Mountain	Carolina Elite - 4th in Southeast

Good luck to all teams!

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