

America's Top Prep Soccer Players Conquered Disney's Soccer Showcase presented by AS Roma

More than 660 elite clubs from across the nation competed at ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex; Several marquee college soccer coaches on hand to scout the best of the best

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (Jan. 3, 2014)– America's best young soccer talent took part in Disney's Soccer Showcase presented by A.S. Roma, which wrapped up Friday (Jan. 3) at ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex.

Rated as the country's top prep soccer tournament by *Soccer America* magazine, this year's Disney Soccer Showcase featured 336 boys teams and 328 girls teams, some from as far away as Canada, Brazil, Japan, and Guatemala. There were champions in five boys age groups (U15, U16, U17, U18/19, & Men's Open) and four girls age groups (U15, U16, U17, U18/19). Each age group included three divisions – Showcase, Premier, and Championship. The boys showcase also featured three open divisions for academy teams.

The eight-day event drew nearly 30,000 athletes, college coaches and fans to the complex, making it the leading college recruiting event in the country. About 800 college coaches, including Notre Dame head coach Bobby Clark, whose Irish are the reigning NCAA Men's Soccer National Champions, were in attendance to scout. Other top schools that attended include Maryland, Duke, North Carolina, Virginia Tech, South Carolina, Penn State, and UCF, among others.

Some of the country's best youth soccer talent has competed in Disney's Soccer Showcase including Jozy Altidore (Sunderland, England), Clint Dempsey (Fulham FC, England) and Oguchi Onyewu (Queens Park Rangers, England).

Below are champions from this year's Showcase divisions.

Top Boys Champions

- Boca United 96/97 (FL, U17) went 3-0-1, outscored opponents 12-4.
- Cincinnati United Cup Gold 95/96 (OH, U18/19) went 3-0-1, outscored opponents 9-1.
- Sunrise Elite 97/98 (FL, U16) went 4-0, outscored opponents 12-2.
- Pateadores San Diego (CA, U15) went 4-0, outscored opponents 10-1.

Top Girls Champions

- Eclipse Select Elite ECNL (IL, U18) went 4-0, outscored opponents 19-1.
- JFA Academy Fukushima (Japan, U17) went 2-0-2 outscored opponents 12-6.
- NJ Stallions Dynamite (NJ, U16) went 4-0, outscored opponents 8-1.
- Jacksonville FC JFC 98/99 Girls Elite (FL, U15) went 4-0, outscored opponents 12-4.

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