



**2008 PSA WORLD YOUTH TOURNAMENT
PREMIER SOCCER ACADEMIES CAMPUS – LORAIN, OH
MATCHDAY 3 – Aug. 12, 2008**

Rush Select XI 4, PSA Reserves 0

Rush Select XI goals – Paolo Delpiccolo 2 (46th and 80th minutes), Zachary Portillos-Grant (56th minute), Zach Foxhoven (63rd minute). Saves – Roberto Perez 1.

PSA Reserves Saves – Samuel Witt 5.

Shots – Rush Select XI 11, PSA Reserves 4.

Lineups – **Rush Select XI:** Roberto Perez, Zachary Davis, Jonathan Edelman (Cole Chapleski, 41st minute), Jared Roberts, Matt Kerridge (Joseph Chabries, 65th minute), Kenneth Tribett, Trey Saunders III (Tadd Kilmer, 58th minute), Paolo Delpiccolo, Zachary Portillos-Grant, Alex Vaughan, Richard Diaz (Zach Foxhoven, 41st minute).

PSA Reserves: Samuel Witt, Sam Bradley (Khari Celestine, 59th minute), Andrew Souders, Vlad Lekarev, Cheo Malachi (Zach Martin, 18th minute), Matt Foldesy, Matthew Dunn (Theodore Sachem Wilson, 69th minute), Collin Martin (Romain Gall, 62nd minute), Myles McGinley, Alex Obbey, Joe Haught (Desmond Gonzales, 53rd minute).

Chivas (CD Guadalajara) 2, Venezuela U16 National Team 0

Chivas goals – Own goal (3rd minute), Oscar Rubio (47th min.). Saves – Cristian Lopez 6.

Venezuela Saves – Jesus Escalona 5.

Shots – Chivas 7, Venezuela 11.

Lineups – **Chivas:** Cristian Lopez, Jairo Gonzalez, Kevin Perez, Larios Esparza (Cesar Lamarillo, 45th minute), Abraham Coronado, Oscar Torre (Armando Escobar, 43rd minute; Carlo Lopez, 80th minute), Adan Avalos, Edwin Mojarra, Emanuel Hernandez, Oscar Rubio (Jesus Leyva, 67th minute), Cristian Gonzalez (Hector Casas, 77th minute).

Venezuela: Jesus Escalona, Alexander Gonzalez, Carlos Rivero (Cesar Ceden, 49th minute), William Matos, Carlos Suarez, Jesus Valera (Luis Sadovnic, 47th minute; Joseff Martinez, 66th minute), Marco Lobo (Raigel Marquez, 41st minute), Josmar Zambrano, Luis Figueredo, Alejandro Valero, Fernando Aristeguieta (Paul Perales, 59th minute).

GROUP A STANDINGS

(NOTE: PSA Reserves matches are friendlies. PSA record and points do not count in standings.)

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GD
Rush Select XI	2	0	0	6	6
Venezuela U16 Ntl. Team	1	1	0	3	1
Chivas (CD Guadalajara)	1	1	0	3	-1
PSA Reserves	0	2	0	0	-6

MATCHDAY 3 RECAP

PSA Reserves made their second appearance as hosts of the inaugural Premier Soccer Academies World Youth Tournament and played a scoreless first half with the bigger, stronger, older Rush Select XI team. It was then that the Rush Select side inserted Under-17 national team pool player Zach Foxhoven and Cole Chapleski in the second half and changed the complexion of the match en route to a 4-0 victory.

In the late match in Group A, Mexican giant Chivas (CD Guadalajara) bested the U16 Venezuela national team 2-0 despite Chivas having to play two men down for all but the first two minutes of the second half. Chivas pulled even with Venezuela on points in the Group A standings, though Venezuela's goal difference is better by one goal.

PSA and Rush fought hard through the opening 40 minutes in which neither team created any clear-cut chances. It was then that Rush coach and technical director Erik Bushey brought on two of his most physically-imposing and gifted players to start the second half.

As a result, Rush Select outshot PSA 9-1 in the second half and scored three times in the first 23 minutes of the final half on the way to recording its second 4-goal match in as many matches at the World Youth Tournament. The Rush Select XI is assured of winning Group A and clinching a spot in Sunday's World Youth Tournament championship match with a win or draw in its final group match on Thursday against Venezuela.

Paolo Delpiccolo opened the scoring six minutes after the intermission with a 25-yard, left-footed free kick that curled over the PSA wall and right into the top, right corner of the net. Foxhoven drew the foul to allow for the set piece.

In the 56th minute, Rush Select doubled the lead as Foxhoven put Zachary Portillos-Grant through on goal. Portillos-Grant sidestepped PSA goalkeeper Samuel Witt and scored into the open net.

Foxhoven took matters into his own hands seven minutes later with hitting a rocket off his right foot from the semicircle atop the penalty area. Delpiccolo added the final tally in the final minute, scoring his second on a left-footed attempt from 15 yards straight-away.

The Chivas-Venezuela match was a free-flowing, end-to-end display of attacking soccer. Chivas took a third-minute lead on an own goal when a Venezuelan defender accidentally headed a back pass over his goalkeeper and into the net.

Chivas had players sent off for late, reckless tackles two minutes before and after the intermission, yet doubled its lead seven minutes into the final half as Oscar Rubio brilliantly glanced a header off of a free kick inside the far, right goal post from nine yards. Though Venezuela had a two-man advantage almost the entire second half, it could not settle the ball, dominate possession and break through Chivas goalkeeper Cristian Lopez.

Lopez made a diving stop with his left arm completely stretched on the far post to deny Alexander Gonzalez's first-time strike from close range in the 53rd minute and made a successful sliding challenge in taking the ball away from the foot of Tenerife-bound Josmar Zambrano on a 1-v-1 situation inside the top of the penalty area in the 69th minute.