

The SEC and ACC meet up during Rivalry Week!



These epic battles between two conference that long have wanted a piece of each other. Now the time has come!

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When SEC Commissioner Bryan Nutt was asked which conference he wanted to play, jokingly he said, "I think we would have an easier time against the Big 10 conference". Knowing that would get a rise out of the Big 10 commissioner, Greg Hardmon, Nutt went on to say he would just be honored to play the ACC, under the tutelage of Kelvin Boddie.

Boddie, always a high-energy guy, did not know how his ACC conference would pan

out but felt that they will be one of the best conferences.

With coaches like Joel Pritchard, Bryan Nutt, Jasper Scott, Mark Ilfresh, Leonard Crawford, Butch Carter and alias ChetDakota coming into the mix, the SEC will be well-fortified with some of the best coaches in miniature football. There will be some questions whether all the coaches will be able to play under the intense style of play.

Bryan Nutt, the 2007

winner of the Texas Shootout, has skins on the wall and newcomers such as Leonard Crawford, Chet Dakota, and Joel Pritchard, will definitely make their mark.

The ACC presents an interesting challenge because their "money man" may eventually be Kevin Lomax. Lomax, a 46 year-veteran, is coming into a new style of play totally in the dark. However, he wants to show the community that he is one of the finest ever.

Lomax, one of the

finest players in the country, looks to come into this style with a clean slate of knowing, the rules will be equally fair to him as with everyone else.

The ACC will have newcomers like Dru Sparks and Dave Bull from Virginia. Sparks, already a member of the DFW league, sounds to be a great student of the game and only time will tell whether he will be able to compete against his SEC counterparts.

But yes, the SEC-ACC Rivalry Week should be just another of the great college football weekends that will be played out in various regions of the country.

These are two evenly matched conferences with each conference having both great champions and competitive contenders.

When the ball is kicked off and the hitting starts, the intensity and passion of these two leagues, separated by less than 200 miles, will experience what makes the Shootout Rules so electrifying.

At the end of the day, some games will be lost on the last play. That is what makes the ACC-SEC Weekend special because the great ones will experience this type of feeling.