



KS Korona 1919 RadwanSport Kraków wins the U17 tournament

The eighth tournament of the U17 category took place in the Slovak city of Svit. The winner was the Polish team KS Korona 1919 RadwanSport Kraków, but the path to victory was not easy at all. Several teams decided to make their way to gold very difficult. The battles for other medal positions are also really "sharp".

The home team BKM Iskra Svit had a tough start to the tournament, losing both of its Friday games by a narrow margin. First, the German team Science City Jena stood in their way. In the first half of the game, the home team was in the lead. In the second half, the home team caught their breath a little and Jena equalized the score. In the dramatic ending, the home team had several opportunities to turn the game in their favor, but none of the shots were successful and the home team lost by three points. In the second game with the Polish team WKS Slask Wroclaw the course was a little different, the lead shifted from side to side and the game eventually went to overtime. The Polish team completely dominated it and the home team is still reeling from the disappointment of the first day. Slask played an even game with another Polish team Lublinianka KUL Basketball, where they literally squeezed out a win by five points. Lublinianka secured the win in another even game, this time with the Czech team BK Sojky Pelhřimov. The first half of the match belonged to the Czech team, but Lublinianka prepared better energy for the second half and won by thirteen points. The later winner of the tournament KS Korona 1919 RadwanSport Kraków dealt with Jena and Pelhřimov on Friday, having already had a double-digit lead in both cases at halftime.

Saturday's program also started unusually sharply. The spectators barely open their eyes in the early morning and drink their first coffee, but the duel between Slask and Jena is already underway on the court. And the duel was great, Slask played an excellent three quarters, but Jena saved its best for the last act and won by three points. The home team improved their mood with good performances against Lublinianka and Pelhřimov and won two victories, which certainly infused new energy and self-confidence into the home players. Pelhřimov tormented the German team in their second game of the day, but it was again not enough to win. The highlight of the program was the last game of the day. Korona and Slask are showing really great and intense youth basketball, a real joy to watch. In the end, the team from Krakow takes the win.

On Sunday, the disappointed Lublin team loses to Jena, which confirms the silver medal win. In the second match, Slask wins over Pelhřimov by a fairly large margin, but the match still had a great charge and the Polish team had to expend a lot of energy to win the bronze medals. In the last match, "nothing was at stake". In the event of any result, the tournament ranking was already clearly given. However, there was energy on the field, as if it were playing for world gold. The energy was absolutely unreal, a great fight, which unfortunately was spoiled by several shoves and uncontrolled emotions in the end. However, this is sometimes part of sport, it is just necessary to maintain a certain cultivation of emotions. In any case, the facilities and functioning of the home club are the best invitation to the next tournament, which will take place here in February, this time in the U14 category.

Final tournament standings:

1. KS Korona 1919 RadwanSport Kraków (Poland)
2. Science City Jena (Germany)
3. WKS Slask Wroclaw (Poland)
4. BKM Iskra Svit (Slovakia)

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5. Lublinianka KUL Basketball (Poland)

6. BK Sojky Pelhřimov (Czech Republic)

The following players received individual awards:

MVP:

Mateusz Skrzek (KS Korona 1919 RadwanSport Kraków)

All-star team:

Valentin Stumpf (Science City Jena)

Piotr Rzeźniczak (WKS Slask Wroclaw)

Adam Cyprian (BKM Iskra Svit)

Kristian Kawęcki (Lublinianka KUL Basketball)

Matyáš Zajíc (BK Sojky Pelhřimov)

Top scorer of the tournament:

Adam Cyprian (BKM Iskra Svit) - 121 points (24.2 points per game)

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