



Basket Poděbrady wins the U13 tournament

The winner of the first tournament in the U13 category is the Basket Poděbrady team. Although Poděbrady is a newcomer to CEYBL tournaments, thanks to their character and wide rotation of players, no one could compete with them and the home team deservedly won the tournament.

The Central Bohemian spa town of Poděbrady welcomed the CEYBL tournament for the first time and we hope not the last. The pleasant atmosphere of the renovated hall and a warm welcome by the organizers were given to all teams.

The tournament started with the home team and their opponent was the Polish team Lublinianka KUL Basketball. The home team bit into the Polish opponent right from the first minutes and after the first quarter, which ended with a score of 31:2, it was practically decided. Poděbrady thus gained their first win in the tournament by a relatively large margin. Several matches were played on Friday that had an impact on the final standings. The first of them was the duel between PGE Giek Turów Zgorzelec and BA Sparta Praha. The Polish team entered the match more actively and gained a small lead in the first quarter. However, Sparta subsequently took over the activity and at halftime of the match already turned the lead over to their side and did not let Zgorzelec take the lead. The last match of the day was a dramatic performance between Sparta and the Austrian team Vienna Timberwolves. Sparta entered the match quite sleepily and the Vienna team had a double-digit lead at halftime, which grew to twenty points in the third quarter. However, Sparta entered the final act as if they had been sprinkled with living water, suddenly they were full everywhere, fighting for every ball and gradually reducing Vienna's lead. Despite a great effort and thanks to several mistakes, they ultimately failed to turn the match around.

And on Saturday again Sparta :-). Things were happening in the match with SKM Zastal Zielona Góra. In the first quarter, the teams were just warming up and were leaving with an even score. In the second quarter, Sparta took a little nap and Zastal had a double-digit lead. The coach's half-time agreement was apparently strong, Sparta started to close the gap on the Polish team and had several opportunities to take the lead, especially in the last quarter of this match. However, minor inaccuracies did not allow them to turn the game around and the Polish team celebrated a hard-earned victory. The home team played two matches that were like a copybook. They were characterized by an intense start to the match, where they built up a decent point cushion. Subsequently, they started playing with pleasant ease and thanks to the win over the Vienna Timberwolves and SKM Zastal Zielona Góra they celebrated first place in the tournament after the end of Saturday's program.

Sunday's program did not bring any big surprises. The teams confirmed their paper predictions and the tournament ended in a pleasant atmosphere.

Final tournament standings:

1. Basket Poděbrady (Česká republika)
2. SKM Zastal Zielona Góra (Poland)
3. Vienna Timberwolves (Austria)
4. BA Sparta Praha (Czech Republic)
5. PGE Giek Turów Zgorzelec (Poland)

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6. Lublinianka KUL Basketball (Poland)

The following players received individual awards:

MVP:

Denis Hauerland (Basket Poděbrady)

All-star team:

Szymon Borkowski (SKM Zastal Zielona Góra)

Tayo Lewis Lion (Vienna Timberwolves)

Vladislav Hanyn (BA Sparta Praha)

Jan Lozowski (PGE Giek Turów Zgorzelec)

Maksymilian Kula (Lublinianka KUL Basketball)

Top scorer of the tournament:

Jan Lozowski (PGE Giek Turów Zgorzelec) - 90 points (18.0 points per game)

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