



Korona Krakow surprised by victory in the U17 tournament

The first tournament of the U17 category took place on the home field of Korona Krakow. Exceptionally, the tournament took place with only five participants, making every match result even more important in the final calculation. The home team played their games over the course of Friday and Saturday and their results

suggested they would finish second. What a surprise when they end up taking gold medals.

The first tournament of the U17 category started with a match between the home team and the visiting Academy NH Ostrava . The team from Ostrava could not get to its usual pace in this game and lost it by a difference of 15 points. In the second game of the tournament, a complete newcomer to the CEYBL was introduced, namely BKM Iskra Svit , who easily coped with the team from Hradec Králové. The last to appear in the tournament was the SKM Zastal Zielona Góra team, with which the home team from Krakow did not have the slightest difficulty. Already on the first day, the results indicated the future medalists of the tournament.

On Saturday, the imaginary highlight was the match between the home team and Svit, which after a dramatic course full of emotions, the newcomer from Svit won by a difference of seven points. Subsequently, he could already think about Sunday's "final" match with Academy NH Ostrava . The teams SKM Zastal Zielona Góra and Královští Sokoli Hradec Králové lose their matches by more than 30 points and are basically out of the game for medal positions. In the end, the team from Poland rejoiced in the match for the only win.

The last match of the tournament on Sunday decided the final standings. The numbers were quite interesting. If Svit wins, he will become the tournament's rookie winner. Ostrava needed to win by 23 points for first place in the tournament. Paper assumptions favored the team from Svit. That's why basketball is so beautiful, no assumptions apply. Academy NH Ostrava flew into the game like a hurricane and won the first quarter with a score of 24:9. In the next two quarters, Svit already matched the pressure of Ostrava, and the difference in the score reached a single-digit difference. He even managed to tie the score at 55:55. In the fourth quarter, Ostrava's experience with difficult matches showed itself and in the end they won by a difference of twelve points.

These results put us in the environment of the mini table, where the teams of Krakow, Ostrava and Svit had 3 wins and 1 defeat. So the ranking was determined by the scores from each other's matches. This indicator was the most "cruel" for BKM Iskra Svit , which thus takes the bronze. Academy NH Ostrava , which won its last match "only" by 12 points, takes silver. The completely surprised home team Korona 1919 Krakow won the gold.

Final standings of the tournament:

1. Korona 1919 Krakow (Poland)
2. Academy NH Ostrava (Czech Republic)
3. BKM Iskra Svit (Slovakia)
4. SKM Zastal Zielona Góra (Poland)
5. Královští Sokoli Hradec Králové (Czech Republic)

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Individual awards went to the following players:

MVP:

Michail Tytar (Korona 1919 Krakow)

All-star team:

Matěj Mršták (Academy NH Ostrava)

Jakub Leski (Korona 1919 Krakow)

Samuel Kokavec (BKM Iskra Svit)

Mateusz Trawinski (SKM Zastal Zielona Góra)

Filip Jenček (Královští Sokoli Hradec Králové)

Top scorer of the tournament:

Samuel Kokavec (BKM Iskra Svit) - 128 points (32.2 points per game)

On the website you will find all the results, including statistics, as well as a rich photo gallery.

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