



SKM defeated Zielona Góra as the unequivocal winner of the U14 tournament

The fifth tournament of the U14 category took place in the Central Bohemian town of Brandýs nad Labem. The clear winner was the Polish team SKM Zastal Zielona Góra.

In the first match of the Friday program, SKM Zastal Zielona Góra challenged another Polish team Lublinianka KUL Basketball. Zastal already had a thirty-point lead at halftime and the fate of the match was practically decided. In the second match of the day, the Slovak team BKM Iskra Svit had to "swallow bitter pills", which in the first half of the match led by a double-digit difference several times over the German team Thuringia Select Team. In the second half, Svit lost its key players due to a large number of personal mistakes and the German team turned the match in its favor. In the last match of the first round, a newcomer to CEYBL tournaments entered the tournament, the team Start Havířov, which did not "match" at all with the traditional Slovak participant BK Inter Bratislava. Havířov "stabbed" Inter so intensely that at halftime they led by a forty-point difference, so obtaining the first win on the international stage in history was no longer a problem. The match between Lublin and Thuringia was also very interesting. Lublin lost several points after each quarter, but fought for its life. In the final, Lublin had the opportunity to make the last shot, but it was unsuccessful, and so the German team won the closest possible victory by a single point.

On Saturday, a very interesting match was played, and again the Polish team Lublinianka was there. They played a really interesting game with Inter. The lead changed from side to side, and in the end the Polish team won. The game was framed by great individual performances, when Inter player Adam Garaj scored 59 points for the opponent. But in the end, the team concept won, because the three players of Lublinianka, who have twenty or more points, were joined by a wider rotation that was able to score.

Sunday was also very exciting. First, Lublin played a balanced match with Svit, which in the end, despite the enthusiastic performance of the Slovak team, wins for itself and hopes and believes that Inter will help it win a medal with its performance. Inter entered the match actively and properly flooded the German academy for three quarters of this match. In the last quarter, Inter made several mistakes and the German team won the victory and thus the bronze medals. And the tournament ended with the final, as it should and should be. The match between Zastal and Havířov. Havířov has "start" in the team name and it did not work out at all in this match. Zastal gained a double-digit lead in the first quarter, which it then increased in the next match despite the great efforts of the Czech team. Havířov played a quality tournament and the silver medal is a pleasant reward and motivation for them to work in the future. Zastal left no one in doubt and is the deserved and dominant winner of this tournament.

It is also worth mentioning that we had the opportunity to watch the performances of Havířov's player Jakuba Jana Marka at the tournament, who has already completed a try-out at the Spanish club UCAM Murcia CB. It is nice to watch players who have a great future in world basketball at our tournaments. The excellent tournament performance of Inter player Adama Garaje, as he scored a total of 193 points in five games, which is an average of 38.6 points/game.

Final tournament standings:

1. SKM Zastal Zielona Góra (Poland)
2. Start Havířov (Czech Republic)
3. Thuringia Select Team (Germany)

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4. Lublinianka KUL Basketball (Poland)
5. BK Inter Bratislava (Slovakia)
6. BKM Iskra Svit (Slovakia)

The following players received individual awards:

MVP:

Antoni Lenckosz (SKM Zastal Zielona Góra)

All-star team:

Maxmilián Pospíšil (Start Havířov)

Mika Wick (Thuringia Select Team)

Mikołaj Mazurek (Lublinianka KUL Basketball)

Adam Garaj (BK Inter Bratislava)

Michal Prokopovič (BKM Iskra Svit)

Top scorer of the tournament:

Adam Garaj (BK Inter Bratislava) - 193 points (38.6 points per game)

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