



SKM Zastal Zielona Góra wins The Finals U13

The winner of The Finals in the U13 category for the 2024/2025 season is the SKM Zastal Zielona Góra team. Congratulations.

Friday and Saturday morning's program was filled with group matches. In group "A" there are teams Górnik Airteam Walbrzych , BK Lokomotiva Plzeň and Válečníci Děčín . In group "B" there are teams AK Stal Ostrów Wielkopolski , SKM Zastal Zielona Góra and Academy NH Ostrava .

In group "A", the home team first comfortably defeated Děčín, who played their best game of the tournament in the subsequent match against BK Lokomotiva Plzeň, the reigning champion of the Czech Republic. However, in the final, Lokomotiva confirmed their quality and condemned Děčín to fight for the final fifth place in the tournament. Lokomotiva chose a weaker moment on Saturday morning, when they lost to the euphoric home team.

Group "B" was dominated by AK Stal Ostrów Wielkopolski . They first dealt with the eventual tournament winner Zastal and then defeated Ostrava, who did not arrive at the tournament in the best mood. Stal's performance is admirable, considering that these were the fourth and fifth matches in their schedule this week. On Saturday, Ostrava was not enough for Zastal and was therefore condemned to fight for fifth place.

In the semi-finals of the Polish derby, the home team, despite a brave performance and overwhelming support from the audience, loses to Zastal, which relies mainly on a wider rotation of players who are dangerous for the opponent's basket. In the second match, the teams BK Lokomotiva Plzeň and AK Stal Ostrów Wielkopolski meet. The first half was very even, in the third quarter Stal had a minor loss, which ultimately turned out to be crucial and Plzeň thus defended its progress to the final.

The first match for fifth place in the tournament was also played. The Czech derby pits teams from Děčín and Ostrava against each other. In this first match, there was a feeling of disappointment at not advancing to the medal matches. The match, full of uncertainties, was ultimately won by the players from Děčín with a difference of seven points. On Sunday, in the second match, we can watch more attractive and combative basketball. Ostrava built up an almost twenty-point lead, which they lost in the last quarter and defended their victory by two points with all their might. Thanks to the scores from the mutual matches, Děčín defended fifth place in the tournament.

On Sunday, the tournament culminates in the medal matches. First, the bronze medal match was played between the home team and the team AK Stal Ostrów Wielkopolski . The home team went after the medal with great determination and commitment. AK Stal Ostrów Wielkopolski was a balanced opponent throughout the first half, then fatigue from the demanding program (eighth match in one week) showed and the home team had a clear path to the medal.

And finally, the Grand Final, which was the absolute highlight of the tournament. The first half was absolutely balanced, great effort, beautiful combinations, simply great basketball. In the third quarter, Zastal gains a small lead, which Lokomotiva tries to eliminate. In the fourth quarter, the fight for every ball continues and Lokomotiva tries to turn the lead in the match to its side. Unfortunately, at this stage, a Pilsen player was injured and the game was interrupted for several minutes while the player was treated. The match was then completed, but the atmosphere was affected by this. SKM Zastal Zielona Góra skillfully guarded its lead and deservedly wins the tournament. Congratulations.

Final tournament standings:

1. SKM Zastal Zielona Góra (Poland)
2. BK Lokomotiva Plzeň (Czech Republic)
3. Górnik Airteam Walbrzych (Poland)
4. AK Stal Ostrów Wielkopolski (Poland)
5. Válečníci Děčín (Czech Republic)
6. Academy NH Ostrava (Czech Republic)

The following players received individual awards:

MVP:

Mikolaj Marciniak (SKM Zastal Zielona Góra)

All-star team:

Ondřej Pelikán (BK Lokomotiva Plzeň)

Aleksander Jechna (Górnik Airteam Walbrzych)

Wojciech Spasiewski (AK Stal Ostrów Wielkopolski)

Filip Houška (Válečníci Děčín)

Filip Horák (Academy NH Ostrava)

Top scorer and best attacker of the tournament:

Jakub Krzyzanowski (AK Stal Ostrów Wielkopolski) - 70 points (17.5 points per game)

Best defender:

Filip Radzki (Górnik Airteam Walbrzych)

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