

SMK Seri Pantai down fighting SMK La Salle 4-0

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SMK Seri Pantai beat a fighting SMK La Salle Brickfields 4-0 and sent a warning to other teams in their MSSKL Bangsar Zone Under-18 Hockey Tournament at the Lembah Pantai Hockey Stadium in Kuala Lumpur yesterday.

Seri Pantai took control of the match from the start but found the La Salle defence which was marshalled by Mohamed Ezain hard to penetrate.

Seri Pantai forwards Zaidi Nizuan Shari and Ahmad Hanif tried unsuccessfully until the 15th minute when Zaidi finally managed to score from a penalty corner when he placed the ball in the top left corner of the goal.

La Salle came close to equalising twice but found Seri Pantai goalkeeper Mohamed Islam Isa a stumbling block and the scored stayed 1-0 till half time.

In the second half Seri Pantai came out on the offensive and found the net almost immediately when Hanif scored from a solo effort in the 27th minute to make it two for Seri Pantai. Hanif then scored his second and Seri Pantai's third in the 31st minute when he deflected a weak clearance into the net.

La Salle's Mohamed Syairazi showed some dazzling moves on the left but the strikers failed to connect with his crosses. Mohamed Ismail Mokhtaruddin scored the fourth and final goal of the match for Seri Pantai in the 33rd minute when he sent a powerful shot to the top right corner.

In the Sentul zone SMK Raja Ali beat SMK Maxwell 2-1 whose forwards did everything but score enough goals for the team in their match at the Tun Razak Stadium in Cheras.

Raja Ali scored their first goal in the 16th minute through Akmal Asri who deflected a powerful Mohamed Akmal Aizat shot from the middle into goal. Mohamed Azrat made it two in the 20th minute with a tap in from the left after some fancy stickwork from Budi Kurniawan.

Maxwell pulled one back through Mohamed Azwan Ali when he deflected Harpevinder Singhs powerful drive into the goal past a stranded Raja Ali goalkeeper.

Maxwell who looked the most organised team going forward in the tournament kept attacking but their strikers failed to find the net and were clearly frustrated at the final whistle.

In the Keramat zone, SMK Wangsa Maju Seksyen 5 managed to hold off a determined SMK Wangsa Maju Seksyen 2 team, ending in a 0-0 draw at the uneven and poorly-maintained Stadium Kementerian, Bangsar yesterday.

The Seksyen 2 team, who were faced with two disallowed goals, were the match dominators but were unable to finish.

Seksyen 2 made a promising start when a penalty corner was awarded in the third minute but failed to convert.

The Seksyen 2 team threatened the opposition's defence throughout the following 12 minutes but were unable to penetrate.

Seksyen 5 followed suit with swift counter attacks but could not find the finishing touch either.

RESULTS - Bangsar Zone Boys' Under-18:

SMK Sungei Besi 2 SMK Bandar Baru Sri Petaling 0, SMK Bukit Bandaraya 0 SMK Bangsar 0, SMK Taman Tasik Selatan 5 SMK Methodist Boys' 0, Royal

Military College 5 SMK Petaling 0, SMK Sri Hartamas 2 SMK Taman Tun Dr Ismail 1, SMK Seri Pantai 4 SMK La Salle Brickfields 0.

Sentul Zone: SMK Agama 2 SMK Methodist Boys Sentul 2, SMK Segambut Jaya 2 SMK Batu Lima 0, SMK La Salle Sentul 1 SMK Bandar Baru Sentul 0, SMK Raja Ali 2 SMK Maxwell 1.

Keramat Zone: SMK Tmn Seri Rampai 2 SMK Wangsa Maju Seksyen 1, SMK Wangsa Melawati 1 SMK Tinggi Setapak 0, SMK Tmn Setiawangsa 1 SMK Sri Dasmesh 1, SMK Wangsa Maju Seksyen 2 0 SMK Wangsa Maju Seksyen 5 0, SMK Seri Titiwangsa 2 SMK Tmn Melati 0.

Bangsar Zone Girls' Under-18:

SMK Vivekananda bt SMK Seri Pantai 2-1, SMK Taman Tun Dr Ismail 1 SMK Methodist Girls' 0, SMK Bangsar 4 SMK Sri Hartamas 0.

TODAY - Bangsar Zone:

SMK Vivekananda v SMK Sri Hartamas, SMK Victoria v SMK Sri Pantai, RMC v SMK Sungai Besi

Sentul Zone; SMK Batu Lima v SMK Agama KL, SMK Raja Ali v SMK Raja Abdullah, SMK Kepong Baru v SMK La Salle Sentul, SMK Segambut Jaya v MBS.

Keramat Zone:

SMK Seri Amapang v SMK Setapak Indah, SMK Wangsa Maju Seksyen 1 v SMK Padang Tembak, SMK St John v SMK Wangsa Melawati, SMK Tmn Setiawangsa v SMK Wangsa Maju Seksyen 5, SMK Sri Dasmesh v SMK Wangsa Maju Seksyen 2.

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