

Kingz of the Court – Saturday Early Recap

On a beautiful Saturday afternoon in Fairfield, CT, there was some great basketball being played at Elite Sports annual Kingz of the Court Tournament at Sacred Heart University.

15U Sound Shore defeated Hoops Express. Sound Shore used its dominant size of #15 Brennan Schaenman and #25 Will Kebbe, to control the boards and the inside scoring. They also had excellent guard play from #11 Josh Barach, who had many strong takes to the hoop and nice passes inside.

15U CT Mavericks played the Fairfield Thunder. The Mavericks won the game 32-19 with some hard work and scrappy defense. The Maverick had some nice efforts by #5 Mike Daubert with a few nice finishes at the hoop and a nice shooting touch from #22 Tom Vargas.

13U Overtime Athletics and CT Elite were matched up in a very well played game, with Elite pulling it out 34-27. Elite took a 32-27 lead with 2:13 left to play, when #32 BJ Paul made a powerful inside move for the basket. Elite sealed the game when #14 Kavon Polk made a hard drive down the lane with a nice finish for a 34-27 lead and final score.

14U CT Coast defeated Heat Athletics 55-39. Coast used its overall team speed and good outside shooting to control the game. Coast guards #31 Weissover and #2 Gage both had good games shooting from the perimeter.

14U Overtime Athletics pulled out 42-37 win against CT Elite. Overtime used a full court press early to jump out to a lead, but Elite fought back. Overtime took a 38-31 lead with 1:43 left in the game. Elite cut the lead 34-38 with a minute to go and cut it 40-37 with a big 3 point shot by #25 (0:12). Overtime held on for the 42-37 win.

13U Hoops Express defeated CT Elite 66-52. Hoops Express jumped out to an early lead. Midway through the second half Elite went on a 9-0 run to cut the lead 39-37 (11:06). Elite would eventually take the lead 50-49 with 6:13 remaining. Hoops Express would close out the game on a 17-2 run behind strong inside play of #20 Rogers, highlighted by 2 “and 1” finishes.

Ocean State Waves held off the Fairfield Thunder 52-48. When down 40-32 with 6:00 remaining, Ocean State stormed back to take the lead 50-46. They were lead by great hustle and excellent outside shooting by #24 Maekin and #34 Burbine. The Thunder cut the lead 50-48 with :26 left, but they could not pull out the win.

11/12U Premiere Hoops defeated Hoops Express. Premiere used its great teamwork and nice passing to pick apart the Hoops Express defense. Premiere had a beautiful press break resulting in #3 Bucher finding #4 Beiser for a layup to finish the break.

11/12U Mt. Vernon routed Hoops Express. Mt. Vernon spread the ball around with #1 and #5 leading the way with 10 points each.

14U Heat Athletics beat CT Elite. Heat Athletics jumped ahead early and never looked back, hold a double digit lead the whole second half. They were lead by #15 with 12 points and #13 with 11 points.