

SUMMER FESTIVAL

24-27 OCTOBER



Sunday 27 October 2024

It's finals time at the hoops

The under-15 and under-19 titles are up for grabs at St David's Marist Inanda today

The four-day St David's Marist Inanda Summer Festival reaches its climax on Sunday with the finals, and the classification games, in the Inanda Hoops Classic Challenge tournament.

The tournament was first played in 2017 when it was a local tournament for Grade 11 players at local schools, intended to be a part of their preparations for the next year. It has since grown into a major "stayers" event on the schools basketball calendar, involving teams from Pretoria, KwaZulu-Natal and the Eastern Cape.

St Benedict's came in as defending under-19 champions, and they looked on track to repeat that, before they were eliminated by St John's, 50-48, in a thrilling semifinal on Saturday.

In the other semifinal St Stithians beat King Edward 57-37, setting up a final which doubles up as a Joburg independent schools derby. It tips off at 2.15 pm and it's going to be a thriller.

The under-15 final is the second-last game of the weekend (at 1pm) and it features the hosts against St Alban's. The St David's U15s have been very impressive all weekend. They were unbeaten in the pool games and beat KES 35-32 in the quarterfinals and St Stithians 77-34 in the semis. St Alban's edged St Benedict's 44-43 in the other U15 semi.

The classification matchups are:

U15 - St Stithians vs St Benedict's (3rd place); KES vs Sacred Heart (5th place); St John's vs St Andrew's (7th place).

U19 - KES vs St Benedict's (3rd place); Pretoria vs Michael Mount (5th place); Jeppe vs St David's (7th place).



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St John's and St David's take it in the pool

The hosts are the U12 Inanda Cup champions and St John' won the U14 competition

Three days of intensive action in the water polo pool culminated in the finals of Saturday.

St John's College beat Affies of Pretoria 5-1 in the U14 final on Saturday after beating St Benedict's, on penalties, in the semifinal.

The U12 St David's team were too strong for St Benedict's, beating them 10-2 in the final. They beat St Stithians 8-5 in their semi.

The following individual awards were made after the final:

Under-12

Best attacker – Timothy Barboe (St Benedict's).

Best defender – Leo Bruinders (St John's).

Most valuable player – James Simpson (St John's).

Under-14

Best attacker – Matthew Mosely (St John's).

Best defender – Renzo Ferrari (St David's).

Best goalkeeper – Joshua Nosworthy (St John's).

Most valuable player – Luc Crofton (St David's).



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Our water polo winners

Under-12 St David's Marist Inanda



Under-14 St John's College



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The Meteors are the T10 cricket champs

Montrose take the U12 title for the third year in a row. They beat St David's in the final



Individual stars: Tristan Osborne (Rivonia Rangers - best batsman), Luc Soares (St David's Dynamite - player of the tournament), Lesedi Challies (Montrose Meteors - best bowler).

Montrose Meteors won the U12 T10 cricket festival at the St David's Marist Summer Festival for the third year in a row, beating the hosts, St David's Dynamite, in the final on Saturday.

It was the first time that the hosts made the final at their summer festival.

Montrose made 101 in their 10 overs and St David's were going well before they lost a bunch of wickets and they ended 20- odd runs short.

Individual prize winners

St David's Leonardo Soares was named the player of the festival for his 228 runs, with a top score of 80.

Rivonia's Tristan Osborne was the best batsman with 208 runs.

Lesedi Challies of Montrose was the best bowler. He took 15 wickets in all, with best figures of 6/7, including a hat-trick.



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