

Summer Hoops

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Annually some of Skånes finest and up and coming players, both male and female, come to Lund to compete in a two day basketball games which are usually held at Martenstorget but because of weather conditions the players moved their game to EOS Hallen (EOS Lund) . This year players came from Helsingborg, Malmö and of course Lund.

On the first day the players played with their best ball game to make it to the semi-finals and great sportsmanship was shown as they sweated it out to a back drop of music played by DJ Marcus from Malmo as young hopefuls, siblings, friends and proud parents watched on and the host, Ali Shirazi led everybody through the proceedings.

In between matches there would be competitions for the crowd to take part in, such as shooting free throws, one on one matches and even a dance competition which one boy and one girl could try to outdo each other by best replicating the moves of a dancer showing them what to do . Prizes that were given to the crowd included T-shirts, up to 245 worth of Burger King coupons, candy and boxes of RedBull.

There were three divisions, the Junior division , Girls division and Senior division. Hasses Sega gubbar team was took the gold medallion for the Junior team and the Junior Silver medallion was awarded to The Pearls. Martin from Hasses Sega team took the junior MVP award (Most Valuable Player).

The girls final was against Tees Team and Power Puffs. Tees Team took the gold and their very own Mia Svensson took the Girls MVP award. Power Puffs took their silver medallions home.

Although each of the games was exciting in their own right the Seniors Finals had everybody holding their breath as The Scrubbs and Rockerz played for 8 minutes. The Scrubbs played well enough but the Gold Medallions belonged to The Rockerz. Jerry of the Rockers also took home with him a Senior MVP award

as well as an award from the exciting dunk competition award which he closely beat fellow Rucker David. The Ruckerz also won a four person all expenses paid trip.

The games were sponsored by DFDS Seaways, Pavement, Mecca, And 1, Avis ,JC, Red Bull, Intersport , Lunds Kommun, Burger King, (NWH)Digital Eye Designs , Rädd Hyllan Café and Palladium.

All in all it was wonderful to see my peers get together and have fun together and even more i was proud that it was hosted by the town i reside in, Lund.

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