

Young stars of the German federal football league in Mulfingen - the 8th ebm-papst Indoor Championships begins on 9 January 2010

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Mulfingen,

Who will succeed as an international or a star of the German federal football league (Bundesliga) team? At the 8th ebm-papst Indoor Championships on 9 January in the Gerhard-Sturm-Halle in Mulfingen, the players of ten teams of the A-Juniors German federal football league will show what they are made of. The two best youth teams of the region are competing with them. One day later, on 10 January, the top amateur teams of the region confront each other.

At the junior tournament on Saturday, 9 January, the A-Juniors of the 1st FC Kaiserslautern kick off the event for the first time at 9 a.m. ebm-papst, JAKO and SV Mulfingen - once again the joint organisers of the 8th ebm-papst Indoor Championships - also expect the following teams, who play in the First Juniors German federal football league: Werder Bremen, Eintracht Frankfurt, Karlsruher SC, Mainz 05, Alemannia Aachen, Rot-Weiß Erfurt, Borussia Mönchengladbach, Eintracht Braunschweig and Rot-Weiß Ahlen.

"With the exception of SV Werder Bremen, which brings along the somewhat younger players of the U 18, the clubs are coming with their U 19 team," said ebm-papst's press spokesperson, Hauke Hannig. To these are added the winners of the youth tournament at SV Mulfingen, which takes place on 27 December, and of the JAKO Cup, which takes place on 2 January in Niederstetten, Germany.

So far not a single team has succeeded in winning the A-Juniors tournament twice. Last year, Rot-Weiß Ahlen came out on top in a penalty shoot-out against the top favourite, Borussia Mönchengladbach. This shows that anything is possible in an indoor tournament and that the teams' form of the day plays a critical role. In any event, the spectators can look forward to exciting matches in which the players do not give anything away for free. They can also look forward to many goals: At the last ebm-papst Indoor Championships of the Juniors, which had the most goals overall, the ball was driven home 171 times.

On Sunday, 10 January, the twelve best amateur teams of the region will play in the indoor tournament starting at 9:30 a.m.: TSV Crailsheim, FV Lauda, FSV Hollenbach, VfR Gommersdorf, FC Heilbronn, Sportfreunde Schwäbisch Hall, TURA Untermünkheim, FV Künzelsau, SV Mulfingen, TSG Bretzfeld and SG Sindringen-Ernstsbach. After a long break, TSG Öhringen, which succeeded in rising into the German state football league (Landesliga) in the summer, is

represented once again. The break begins for SC Michelbach, which is now battling in the German regional football league (Bezirksliga) to rise back into the German state football league.

On each of the two match days, about 1,000 fans are expected in the Gerhard-Sturm-Halle in Muldingen, who can already look forward to the breaks in the action. For this, ebm-papst has recruited athletes with a high entertainment value. At the moment, Hauke Hannig is willing to disclose only this much: "They will once again contribute to making the mood in the hall fantastic."

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