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HOCKEY

Thunderbolts teams on a roll

POWER: All four Tenaga-sponsored sides going great guns

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JUNIOR Hockey League (JHL) title sponsor Tenaga Nasional feted the four Thunderbolts teams under their fold to a scrumptious lunch yesterday, with a promise to continue helping the teams prosper in the long run.

Tenaga started by sponsoring Sekolah Sukan Tunku Mahkota Ismail (SSTMI) a decade ago, and the school now hold the distinction of four consecutive back-to-back doubles in the JHL.

Three more teams were included under the Thunderbolts programme this year — Bukit Jalil Sports School and Pahang Sports School in Division One and Anderson in Division Two.

The Thunderbolts programme, run by former internationals who are Tenaga employees, seems to have a golden touch as in Division One, SSTMI and Pahang Sports School are one-two, while BJSS are fourth in the standings.

Anderson are tops in Group B of Division Two with three wins so far.

Today, Pahang Sports School will face their moment of truth when they play a wounded UniKL Young Guns.

"All four Thunderbolts' teams gathered at the Kilat Club for lunch and a motivational talk today (yesterday) and I can see that my players are really fired up to give their best," said Pahang Sports School coach Sufian Mohamed.

Sufian admitted UniKL will not be easy: "UniKL lost to Politeknik (1-0) last weekend and I believe they will also try their best to claw back into the league with a win against us.

"But I have faith in my players for full points," said Sufian.

Pahang started off by playing in Division Two, gained promotion and finished sixth last season.

"This year, they have won all three matches and are second to SSTMI only because they have played one less match.

UniKL, double silver medallists last season, have had a poor season as they are sixth in the standings after losing two out of four matches.

TODAY — Division One: UniKL Young Guns v SSP-MSP Thunderbolts (National Stadium I), PJCC v SSTMI Thunderbolts (National Stadium II), Nur Insafi v SMKDBL Young Guns (Sungai Petani).

Division Two — Group A: Perlis Young Lions Jnr v Matri (Kuala Perlis), MCKK v Perlis Young Lions (Kuala Kangsar); **Group B**: Star v BJSS Jnrs (Azlan Shah I), MSSWPKL v Anderson Thunderbolts (Ministry of Education), MSNPK/ILHC v Felda Juniors (Azlan Shah II); **Group C**: Pahang Hockey Academy v TBSS Tampin (Temerloh), Malacca High v MSNT-PHT (Malacca), SMKDBL Jnrs v Datuk Taha (Batu Pahat) — *Note: All matches at 5pm.*

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