



King Power and Bangkok Bank battle trunk to trunk.

Bangkok Bank snuff out King Power

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THE TALENTED Bangkok Bank stole the game from the grasp of last year's champions King Power 12-10 in the 12th King's Cup Elephant Polo tournament in Hua Hin yesterday.

The first chukker saw King Power, who had Tom Claytor, Nattapong Pratumlee and Satid Wongkraso in their ranks, stunned in the first few minutes

by veteran player James Manclark, who scored the first goal of the match.

Nattapong struck back, trading shots down the field with Claytor yet it was Bangkok Bank's Manclark who played exceptional defence, wresting the ball from King Power to give his team a commanding 11-6 lead at half-time.

King Power rattled Bangkok Bank early in the second half with Pratumlee scoring a nicely placed goal and reducing the lead to 11-7. He went on to score two more in quick succession to bring the scores to 11-9 with only three minutes of play left.

Captain Claytor made a valiant attempt by breaking through Bangkok Bank's strong defence and getting close to scoring, but it simply was not enough. Bangkok Bank finished the day with an unbelievable 12-10 win, ending King Power's dream of retaining the King's Cup this year.

Elsewhere, Citi beat Arabian Knights 5-3; CDD The Devil went down to Whisgars 1-5; Mekhong downed Anantara 3-2; Tiffany's Show Pattaya lost to PWC 2-7 and Mercedes Benz beat Audemars Piguet 10-8.