Shahan, Mihir claim top spots in National Karting C'ship

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AGRA'S Shahan Ali Mohsin and Bengaluru's Mihir Avalakki finished first in the senior and junior categories, respectively at the end of Round 1 of the Rotax Class of the JK Tyre-FMSCI National Karting Championship at the Meco Kartopia here on Sunday.

Shahan of MSport proved to be the star of the day in the Senior Max category, winning both his races (the pre-final and final) to accumulate a total of 89 points to surge into the lead. Manav Sharma (85) of Faridabad and Coimbatore's Bala Prasath (82) — both regulars in the LGB Formula 4 category of the JKNRC — took the second and third spot respectively.

Local boy Mihir, who starred in the opening round of the



From left: Junior Max runner-up MR Rishon (left), winner Mihir Avalakki and second runner-up Ruhaan Alva at the Meco Kartopia circuit on Sunday

X-30 class earlier this month, sizzled again to go atop the leader board in the Junior Max category. Mihir, racing for Birel Art, finished on top in both the races and picked up 89 points. His teammate, MR Rishon, finished third with 83 points.

Another Birel Art racer and

Bengaluru-boy Ruhaan Alva ended the day on the third spot. He finished second in the opening race and third in the last to register 83 points and tie with Rishon but had to be content with the third spot for finishing behind his team-mate in the final race.

Provisional results (after Round 1): Senior

Max: 1. Shahan Ali Mohsin (89 points, MSport); 2. Manav Sharma (85, Peregrine Racing); 3. Bala Prasath (82, MSport).

Junior Max: 1. Mihir Avalakki (89, Birel Art); 2. MR Rishon (83, Birel Art); 3. Ruhaan Alva (83, Birel Art).

Micro Category: 1. Ishaan Madesh (89, Peregrine Racing); 2. Ranvir Singh (85, Birel Art); 3. Jagrat Detroja (82, Peregrine Racing).

Sharath, Dhuri shine

BR Sharath and Dhuri grabbed major eyeballs as the Mount Joy Cricket Club scored a wonderful ton each against Cambridge Cricket Club in the KSCA Group I- I division for Sir Mirza Ismail Shield match. They scored 435/6 in 90 overs and Cambridge Cricket Club were all out for 258 runs and the game ended in a draw.

Brief scores: Mount Joy CC: 435/6 in 90 ovs (BR Sharath 176, Dhuri 121, Kiran AM 55, Aditya Somanna 52) drew with Cambridge CC: 258/10 in 64.4 ovs (MD Taha 93, Manohar 75, Anand Doddamani 7/71).

Vultures CC: 158/10 in 51.5 ovs and 187/6 in 54 ovs (Sujith NG 41) drew with Social Cricketers 177/10 in 50 ovs (Dubey 5/41).

Friends Union CC: 305/10 in 80.1 ovs (Bopanna 63, Mithun Bhat 55) drew with Rajajinagar Cricketers: 261/10 in 67.4 ovs (Md Saif 112, Likith Bannur 5/63).

Jawans CC: 347/10 in 89.2 ovs (Ullal 117, Ramesh 58) drew with Bangalore United CC (1): 310/10 in 80.2 ovs (Liyan Khan 101, Venkatesh M 54, Gulecha 5/69)

Sir Syed Cricketers 228/10 in 72 ovs (Parikshith 89) drew with Swastic Union CC (2): 250/5 in 71.5 ovs (Naga Bharath 90)

Swastic Union CC (1): 342/10 in 66.2 ovs (Aman Khan 95, R Samarth 54, Kazi 52) **drew** with Jawahar SC (1): 80/10 in 31 ovs (Naveen MG 5/35) and 178/3 in 62 ovs (D Nischal 106 n.o)

Cricket coaching camp

The Brijesh Patel Cricket Academy will conduct its annual cricket coaching camp from June 9 February 9 at Palace Grounds on Saturday and Sunday. Further details from Kamal Tondon (98440-36023) and Chetan (98800-43858).