



### Coburg (5th) vs. Warrnambool (1st)

#### Meetings this season

R3: Warrnambool def Coburg 80-63

R7: Warrnambool def Coburg 79-76

#### From the coaches

##### Louise Brown (Warrnambool)

After coming back to the Big V competition this year, we are very excited to be heading to Coburg for our first finals game this season.

Both games during the year against Coburg have been tough contests and we are expecting nothing less on Saturday. They have been in great form and it will be tough to stop them at home.

##### Lisa Hogben (Coburg)

Congratulations to Warrnambool on a great comeback season into Big V. We know we have our work cut out for us. Warrnambool have a dynamic team who I rate as the best offensive team in the league with a good balance of inside and outside offensive threats. We will need to be playing our best as a team on both ends to keep up with the Mermaids. Based on the last time we met we go into this game with a level of confidence knowing that if we play together and stick to what we know works well for our team; we can be competitive with the best in the league. Go Giants!

#### Prediction

Warrnambool by 7

### Mornington (3rd) vs. Wallan (2nd)

#### Meetings this season

R1: Wallan def Mornington 60-27

R13: Wallan def Mornington 67-52

#### From the coaches

##### Steve Matthews (Mornington)

This should be a great game of basketball. Wallan have sat in 2<sup>nd</sup> place on the ladder all season and along with Warrnambool have been the team we have all been chasing. Wallan are an extremely even balanced team who are well coached. We look forward to another close and tough final against a quality opposition.

##### Warren Taylor (Wallan)

Congrats to Steve and his girls on a great season. Mornington have been solid all year and deserve their spot in the finals. We know they will be as tough an opponent as you can get this time of year and we will have to be at our absolute best to compete with them over the next fortnight. Patrice McKenzie has been the talking point and rightly so as her output has been huge. While she will take some stopping, we are well aware of the overall depth the Breakers have at their disposal and that focusing on Patrice would be a mistake. Mornington have weapons all over the court and we know we are in for a real battle. We are really pleased with our season - to finish in the finals in our first year is a huge achievement for us already. That said, we are determined to go a step further and know if we are good enough to get past a team of Mornington's calibre, we will have earned it. Good luck to Lou and Lisa with their series as well.

#### Prediction

Wallan by 19



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