



Knox 60 - Ringwood 59: The Raiders have found a way to nail a put-back on the buzzer to sink the Hawks in dramatic fashion and progress through to a semi-final showdown with Sunbury. In a defensive arm-wrestle absolutely nothing separated the two teams with scoring tough and the contest even tougher. When Bec Ott hit a triple with 2min to play the Raiders jumped to a 6pt lead, but a 7-0 run by the Hawks' imports (Jarosz 4pts / Coffey 3pts) turned the game with the visitors taking a 1pt lead into the final 20sec. Knox came out of a timeout with possession, an advanced ball and an opportunity that resulted in Te'Rae Cunnigan scoring from an offensive rebound on the buzzer, the Raiders winning a thriller 60-59. Cunnigan (19pts), Lucy Dawson (14pts) and Ott (13pts) led the charge for the winners, while for Ringwood it was Tori Jarosz (19pts, 18rbs), Sydney Coffey (12pts) and Shelley Mottin (11pts) doing all they could. An early exit for Ringwood as the victorious Raiders keep their title hopes alive.

Bulleen 63 - Hume City 59: The Boomers will face Waverley in a semi-final series after holding off Hume City in a thriller. After jumping the Broncos with a 27-14 opening qtr, the visitors blasted back prior to the long break with a 15-6 run that ensured only a handful of pts would separate them across a gripping second half. Lauren Pearce (27pts, 10rbs, 6ast, 4stl, 3blk) dominated for the winners and was the clear difference between the two teams. Sarah Boothe (12pts, 15rbs) and Nat van den Adel (12pts) played well, while Kara Tessari (8pts) had a quite night after shooting 2-11. The Broncos gave themselves every chance and plenty of the work fell on the shoulders of Colleen Planeta (22pts, 13rbs, 3blk) and Viv Saad (13pts). We've asked before, but was this the last time we'll get to see Planeta in the Big V? A champion to the end, she worked tirelessly across all 40min in this one. Erika Livermore (3pts) and Mua Laloifi (4pts) had games they would like to forget, the pair shooting a collective 2-16. An early exit for the Broncos, while for the Boomers they now go into a match up where they will fancy their chances.

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