



2010 Bartercard

NBL

Quarter Finals Media Guide

Tuesday, June 22

Fico Finance Nelson Giants v Southland Sharks

Wednesday, June 23

Harbour Heat v 0800 Easy LPG Bay Hawks

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STANDINGS

Team	P	W	L	Win %	GB	Pts
&-Exodus Saints	18	14	4	77.8	0	28
z-Waikato Pistons	18	13	5	72.2	1	26
y-Fico Finance Nelson Giants	18	12	6	66.7	2	24
y-Harbour Heat	18	11	7	61.1	3	22
x-0800 Easy LPG Bay Hawks	18	11	7	61.1	3	22
x-Zerofees Southland Sharks	18	9	9	50.0	5	18
e-Christchurch Cougars	18	9	9	50.0	5	18
e-Taranaki Mountainairs	18	6	12	33.3	8	12
e-McDonalds Manawatu Jets	18	5	13	27.8	9	10
e-OceanaGold Nuggets	18	0	18	0.0	14	0

Win % - Win Percentage, GB – Games Back

&- clinched regular season

z- home semifinal

y- home quarterfinal

x- clinched playoff berth

e- eliminated

LAST WEEK

Bartercard NBL - Round 16

Thursday, June 17

At Hamilton Boys High, Hamilton

Waikato Pistons 74 (Hayden Allen 15, Tony Ronaldson 14, Thomas Abercrombie 12)

Exodus Saints 78 (Lindsay Tait 22, Erron Maxey 16, Nick Horvath 12)

Friday, June 18

At North Shore Events Centre, North Shore

Harbour Heat 84 (Corey Webster 20, Kavossy Franklin 19, Rick Rickert 14)

Taranaki Mountain Airs 78 (Jack Leasure 25, Aaron Bailey-Nowell 15, Jeremiah Trueman 15)

At Pettigrew Green Arena, Taradale

0800 Easy LPG Bay Hawks 85 (Josh Pace 19, Everard Bartlett 18, Ben Hill 15)

McDonalds Manawatu Jets 92 (Darryl Hudson 39, Matt Te Huna 25), OT

At Trafalgar Centre, Nelson

Fico Finance Nelson Giants 83 (Mika Vukona 22, Michael Harrison 17, Phill Jones 17)

Zerofees Southland Sharks 71 (Mike Helms 23, Arthur Trousdell 14, James Paringatai 10)

Saturday, June 19

At Arena Manawatu, Palmerston North

McDonalds Manawatu Jets 88 (Calum MacLeod 21, Darryl Hudson 20, Chris Reay 17)

Zerofees Southland Sharks 96 (Rene Rougeau 25, Mike Helms 22, Gareth Dawson 13)

NBL Trivia of the Week

Which player who is playing in this year's playoffs has played the most playoff games?

(Answer at the end of Media Guide)



2010 NBL Quarter Finals

Tuesday, June 22

Fico Finance Nelson Giants (12-6) v Zerofees Southland Sharks (9-9), 7pm

At Trafalgar Centre, Nelson

Head to Head Wins (All Time): Giants 2 Sharks 0

Playoff Appearances: Giants 39 Sharks 0

Referees – Tim Brown, Melony Wealleans, Hayden Pipe

Rosters

No.	Nelson Giants	Games Played
7	Darryl Jones	100
8	Nico Ritschny	15
10	Samuel Dempster	12
11	Bronson Beri	40
12	Tony Rampton	104
13	Phill Jones	299
14	Mika Vukona	172
15	Mike Fitchett	193
20	Steve Bill	47
21	Josh Bloxham	43
31	Ben Wright	51
55	Michael Harrison*	37

No.	Southland Sharks	Games Played
5	Paratene McLeod	7
7	Iam Carthcart	17
10	Luke Martin	120
11	Arthur Trousdell	106
12	Gareth Dawson	34
14	Pete Burgess	5
15	Daniel Munday	35
21	James Paringatai	96
23	Mike Helms*	10
24	Rene Rougeau*	18
	Bubba Lauese	3
	Martin Iti	13

Projected Starting Fives

	Giants	Sharks
Point Guard	Mike Fitchett	Luke Martin
Shooting Guard	Phill Jones	Mike Helms
Small Forward	Mika Vukona	Rene Rougeau
Power Forward	Michael Harrison	Arthur Trousdell
Center	Tony Rampton	Gareth Dawson

Leading Scorers (Points per game)

Giants	Sharks
Phill Jones (20.8) (9 th)	Mike Helms (22.3) (8 th)
Michael Harrison (14.5)	Rene Rougeau (16.2)
Mika Vukona (13.0)	Arthur Trousdell (12.5)

Team Leaders in Other Categories (Per game)

	Giants	Sharks
Rebounds	Mika Vukona (9.9) (3 rd)	Rene Rougeau (8.6) (7 th)
Assists	Phill Jones (4.1) (5 th)	Luke Martin (4.4) (3 rd)
Steals	Mika Vukona (1.8) (10 th)	Rene Rougeau (3.8) (1 st)
Blocks	Michael Harrison (1.9) (4 th)	Rene Rougeau (1.6) (6 th)

Team Stats (Per game) & (NBL Rank)

	Giants	Sharks
Scoring	81.8 (=6 th)	81.8 (=6 th)
Rebounds	40.7 (7 th)	41.3 (6 th)
Assists	14.1 (5 th)	11.1 (9 th)
FG%	43.7 (7 th)	45.1 (5 th)
FT%	71.0 (5 th)	68.7 (8 th)
3pt%	39.3 (1 st)	29.7 (10 th)

2010 Head to Head

Round 6

At Trafalgar Centre, Nelson

Zerofees Southland Sharks 72 (James Paringatai 19, Rene Rougeau 19, Luke Martin 14)
Fico Finance Nelson Giants 74 (Michael Harrison 19, Mike Fitchett 18, Mika Vukona 14)

Round 16

At Trafalgar Centre, Nelson

Fico Finance Nelson Giants 83 (Mika Vukona 22, Michael Harrison 17, Phill Jones 17)
Zerofees Southland Sharks 71 (Mike Helms 23, Arthur Trousdell 14, James Paringatai 10)

Preview

2010 will be the 18th year the Fico Finance Nelson Giants has made the playoffs and their seventh year in a row. Hopefully for the Zerofees Southland Sharks they will have similar success twenty years down the track, but right now in their inaugural season they have an opportunity to get their very first playoff win. Both teams will be very familiar with one another having played each other last Friday at Trafalgar Centre, Giants victorious 83-71. But the Giants have had mixed form in the latter stages of the competition losing two of their last three home games where they were previously unbeaten. Sharks have played their last four games on the road with a two win two loss record, winning four of their last six games. Both teams average an identical 81.8 points per game, but the Giants are the best in the league at three point percentage (39.3) compared to the Sharks who sit at the bottom (29.7). In his 31st playoff appearance Giants legend Phill Jones will be playing his 300th career game. Jones is the Giants leading scorer at 20.8 points a game which is the ninth time he has averaged twenty or more in a season. Sharks leading scorer is Mike Helms who plays the same position as Jones and is eighth in the league in scoring at 22.3. Helms is averaging 25.2 points in his last five games. One player who will want to redeem himself against the Giants is Rene Rougeau who leads the league in steals (3.8). The three time player of the week was held to a season low three points in the loss to Giants, which can't be repeated if they wish to win. Experience is grossly in favour of the Giants who have players with over 100 NBL games compared to the Sharks who have only two players. It also shows in playoff games where the total playoff games played by the Sharks is 17 compared to Giants 74.

Wednesday, June 23

**Harbour Heat (11-7) v 0800 Easy LPG Bay Hawks(11-7) ,
7pm**

At North Shore Events Centre

Head to Head Wins (All Time): Heat 14 Hawks 17

Playoff Appearances: Heat 19 Hawks 27

Referees – Dallas Pickering, Andy Thackray, Jamie Hickey

Rosters

No.	Harbour Heat	Games Played
5	Houston O'Riley	15
7	Rick Rickert	18
8	Kavossy Franklin	17
9	Corey Webster	35
12	Brad Anderson	9
13	Sam King	7
15	Morgan Nathan	10
20	Beny Anthony	45
24	Dillon Boucher	303
25	Reece Cassidy	162
33	Darryl Cartwright	254
	Karl Noyer	30

No.	Bay Hawks	Games Played
4	Jarrood Kenny	110
5	Everard Bartlett	88
6	Miles Pearce	149
9	Josh Pace	52
11	Nat Connell	148
12	Chris Daniel	114
13	Haylan Tahau	7
14	Ben Hill	178
30	Jon Rogers	9
32	Paul Henare	241
42	Warrick Siddall	25
44	Dave Langrell	200

Projected Starting Fives

	Heat	Hawks
Point Guard	Corey Webster	Josh Pace
Shooting Guard	Kavossy Franklin	Everard Bartlett
Small Forward	Dillon Boucher	Chris Daniel
Power Forward	Beny Anthony	Dave Langrell
Center	Rick Rickert	Jon Rogers

Leading Scorers (Points per game)

Heat	Hawks
Corey Webster (22.7) (6 th)	Josh Pace (19.8)
Rick Rickert (17.5)	Everard Bartlett (14.1)
Kavossy Franklin (16.4)	Jon Rogers (13.4)

Team Leaders in Other Categories (Per game)

	Heat	Hawks
Rebounds	Rick Rickert (9.3) (5 th)	Jon Rogers (6.6)
Assists	Dillon Boucher (5.2) (2 nd)	Josh Pace (3.9) (7 th)
Steals	Corey Webster (2.8) (2 nd)	Everard Bartlett (1.7)
Blocks	Rick Rickert (1.1) (7 th)	Jon Rogers (2.2) (1 st)

Team Stats (Per game) & (NBL Rank)

	Heat	Hawks
Scoring	91.7 (2 nd)	88.8 (3 rd)
Rebounds	44.2 (2 nd)	42.2 (3 rd)
Assists	13.1 (6 th)	14.3 (3 rd)
FG%	48.0 (2 nd)	47.6 (3 rd)
FT%	71.6 (4 th)	66.8 (9 th)
3pt%	31.6 (8 th)	38.9 (2 nd)

2010 Head to Head

Round 7

At Pettigrew Green Arena, Taradale

0800 Easy LPG Bay Hawks 82 (Josh Pace 18, Dave Langrell 16, Everard Bartlett 13)
Harbour Heat 94 (Corey Webster 24, Kavossy Franklin 20, Rick Rickert 17)

Round 12

At North Shore Events Centre, North Shore

Harbour Heat 97 (Corey Webster 40, Rick Rickert 20, Beny Anthony 13)
0800 Easy LPG Bay Hawks 102 (Josh Pace 38, Chris Daniel 22, Ben Hill 14)

Preview

Harbour Heat will play the Bay Hawks for the second ever time in a playoff game. The first time they met in the playoff was in 2007 when the Hawks upset the Heat 85-76 in the semi final which was played at the North Shore Events Centre. There are only two players left from the 07 Hawks team that play for them this season (Everard Bartlett & Paul Henare) while one from the Heat remain (Darryl Cartwright). Hawks player's Nat Connell and Jarrod Kenny ironically played for the Heat in that game. Connell top scored with 16 while Bartlett top scored for the Hawks with 18. Hawks will be disappointed they lost in overtime to the McDonalds Manawatu Jets last week, which moved them from third to fifth which cost them a home quarter final. Harbour Heat who looked all but certain to finish where the Hawks are now play at home in where they have a six win three loss record. One of those losses at home was to the Bay Hawks who beat them in a high scoring 102-97 game. The game was a scoring duel from guards Josh Pace and Corey Webster who both had season highs of 38 and 40 points respectively. Another player to join the 300 club was Dillon Boucher who has missed the Heats last three games because of an ankle injury. The Heat desperately need the experience of Boucher who has played 29 career playoff games compared to the rest of the team who have played a combined 25. Hawks who are playing in their sixth consecutive year in the playoffs have a wealth of experience with seven players in their roster playing over 100 career NBL games. Both teams are evenly matched in team averages in points, rebounds and field goal percentage.

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300 CLUB

Dillon Boucher & Phill Jones

2010 will be memorable to two very special players who have given so much to the National Basketball League and their country.

Dillon Boucher played his 300th game on the 8th of May 2010 against a former team of his the Waikato Pistons. The 8 time NBL champion began his career back in 1994 for the Auckland Stars and has accumulated over 2500 points, 1500 rebounds and 700 steals.

His NBL awards include 2003 Kiwi Most Valuable Player, three time All Star five selection and 2003 Most Valuable NZ Forward.

Boucher's has also had major successes in the Australian League where he won a championship with the Brisbane Bullets in 2007 and was recently named 2010 ANBL Defensive Player of the Year for his season with the New Zealand Breakers.

Phill Jones will be bringing up his 300th game in when he plays the Southland Sharks on Tuesday nights quarter final.

Jones began his career for the Nelson Giants back in 1993 and has played all of his 16 season with them apart from 1999 when he played for the Otago Nuggets.

The Reefton Kid has scored over 5,500 points with a career average of just under 19 points per game. During that span Jones has shot the ball at nearly 40% from beyond the arc, also adding over 1000 rebounds, 700 assists and nearly 500 steals.

Jones won championships with the Giants (1994,1998), is a six time Best New Zealand Guard Winner, Two time most outstanding guard, Four time NZ MVP and won last year's Most Valuable Player.

It is hard to forget that both Jones and Boucher were key members in the Tall Blacks side that came fourth in the 2002 World Championships in Indianapolis and have had the opportunity to represent their country in the 2004 Athens Olympic Games.

STAT LEADERS

Points (Min 100 points)

Eric Devendorf (Saints)	25.6
Darryl Hudson (Jets)	23.0
Tyler Amaya (Nuggets)	22.9

Rebounds (Min 50 Reb)

Alex Pledger (Pistons)	12.6
Mika Vukona (Giants)	9.9
Rick Rickert (Heat)	9.3

Assists

Lindsay Tait (Saints)	7.1
Dillon Boucher (Heat)	5.2
Luke Martin (Sharks)	4.4

Steals

Rene Rougeau (Sharks)	3.8
Corey Webster (Heat)	2.8
Mike Helms (Sharks)	2.3

Blocks

Jon Rogers (Hawks)	2.2
Thomas Abercrombie (Pistons)	2.0
Alex Pledger (Pistons)	1.9

FG % (Min 80 Attempts)

Casey Frank (Saints)	58.9
Jeremiah Trueman (Airs)	57.6
Tim Behrendorff (Heat)	57.5

3pt % (Min 40 Attempts)

Eric Devendorf (Saints)	59.6
Trent Wurtz (Cougars)	50.8
Ben Hill (Hawks)	45.0

FT % (Min 30 Attempts)

Phill Jones (Giants)	87.7
Hayden Allen (Pistons)	85.2
Eric Devendorf (Saints)	85.1

NBL Trivia of the Week

Which player who is playing in this year's playoffs has played the most playoff games?

Answer: Phill Jones (Fico Finance Nelson Giants) 30 games