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## Sal's NBL Media Guide (Round 14)

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# 2018 Sal's National Basketball League Round 13 Review

## 2018 Sal's NBL Regular Season Standings

Team	P	W	L	For	Ag	H	A	Pts
Cigna Saints	17	14	3	1605	1466	7-1	7-2	28
Mike Pero Nelson Giants	16	13	3	1534	1364	7-2	6-1	26
SIT Zerofees Southland Sharks	16	12	4	1621	1452	7-1	5-3	24
Taylor Hawks	16	10	6	1411	1346	6-2	4-4	20
The Wheeler Motor Canterbury Rams	17	8	9	1576	1554	4-4	4-5	16
Augusta Taranaki Mountainairs	16	3	13	1323	1459	1-7	2-6	6
Go Media Jets	17	3	14	1457	1693	2-6	1-8	6
2 Cheap Cars Supercity Rangers	17	3	14	1519	1712	1-8	2-6	6

## Results

### Thursday, July 19

At Pettigrew Green Arena, Napier

**Taylor Hawks 92 (Everard Bartlett 15, Jarrod Kenny 12, Angus Brandt 11)**

2 Cheap Cars Supercity Rangers 68 (Marcel Jones 24, Dominique Kelman-Poto 20, Lindsay Tait 11)

### Friday, July 20

At ILT Stadium, Invercargill

**SIT Zerofees Sharks 88 (Orlando Coleman 25, Reuben Te Rangi 13, Alex Pledger 10)**

The Wheeler Motor Canterbury Rams 79 (Tony Tolovae 16, Winston Shepard 16, Taylor Britt 11)

At TSB Stadium, New Plymouth

Augusta Mountainairs 85 (Roger Woods 19, Xavier Smith 19, Dane Brooks 18)

**2 Cheap Cars Supercity Ramgers 97 (Clay Wilson 34, Marcel Jones 25, Lindsay Tait 11)**

### Saturday, July 21

At Trafalgar Centre, Nelson

**Mike Pero Nelson Giants 90 (Damon Heuir 30, Kyle Adamn 17, Tohi Smith-Milner 15)**

Cigna Saints 87 (Jordan Ngatai 19, LJ Peak 16, Majok Majok 16)

### Sunday, July 22

At Pettigrew Green Arena, Napier

**Taylor Hawks 103 (Dion Prewster 17, Mitch Newton 13, Everard Bartlett 12)**

Go Media Jets 70 (Daishon Knight 27, Kuran Iverson 22)

## Individual Highs

<b>Points</b>	34	Clay Wilson (2 Cheap Cars Supercity Rangers) v Augusta Mountainairs
<b>Rebounds</b>	18	Marcel Jones (2 Cheap Cars Supercity Rangers) v Taylor Hawks
<b>Assists</b>	12	Jarrad Weeks (SIT Zerofees Sharks) v The Wheeler Motor Canterbury Rams
<b>Steals</b>	8	Alonzo Burton (Augusta Airs) v 2 Cheap Cars Supercity Rangers
<b>Blocks</b>	5	Xavier Smith (Augusta Mountainairs) v 2 Cheap Cars Supercity Rangers

# Player of the Week (POW)

## Round 13: Orlando Coleman (SIT Zerofees Sharks)

**SIT Zerofees Sharks** forward, **Orlando Coleman**, is player of the week for Round 13 after tallying 25 points and 11 rebounds in the 88-79 win over the **Wheeler Motor Canterbury Rams**. Coleman has notched up three straight double-doubles, and is averaging 17 points, 9.6 rebounds and is shooting 56% from the field.

**2 Cheap Cars Supercity Rangers** forward, **Marcel Jones**, collected two double-double last week. Jones had 24 points and 18 rebounds against the Hawks, and 25 points and 11 rebounds in the win over the Airs. Rangers guard, **Clay Wilson**, had 34 points and six steals in the win over the Airs.

In a top of the table clash, the **Mike Pero Nelson Giants** defeated the league leading Saints in overtime thanks to the efforts of Australian guard, **Damon Heuir**, who had 30 points. **Tohi Smith-Milner** added 15 points and eight rebounds.

The **Taylor Hawks** clinched a semi-final spot with two wins. **Dion Prewster** had 17 points and nine rebounds against the Jets, and centre, **Angus Brandt**, had 11 points, 10 rebounds, three steals and two blocks versus the Rangers.

Live Streamed games available at [nznbl.basketball website](http://nznbl.basketball website), [maoritelevision.com](http://maoritelevision.com), [tab.co.nz](http://tab.co.nz) or at [@NZNBL facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/NZNBL).

## Index of Success Scores

Player	Team	Opposing Team	Score
1 Orlando Coleman	SIT Zerofees Southland Sharks	The Wheeler Motor Canterbury Rams	34
2 Marcel Jones	2 Cheap Cars Supercity Rangers	Taylor Hawks	33
3 Marcel Jones	2 Cheap Cars Supercity Rangers	Augusta Taranaki Mountainairs	32
4 Xavier Smith	Augusta Taranaki Mountainairs	2 Cheap Cars Supercity Rangers	28
5 Clayton Wilson	2 Cheap Cars Supercity Rangers	Augusta Taranaki Mountainairs	24
5 Majok Majok	Cigna Saints	Mike Pero Nelson Giants	24
7 Jordan Ngatai	Cigna Saints	Mike Pero Nelson Giants	23
8 Dion Prewster	Taylor Hawks	Go Media Jets	22
8 Angus Brandt	Taylor Hawks	2 Cheap Cars Supercity Rangers	22
10 Damon Heuir	Mike Pero Nelson Giants	Cigna Saints	21
10 Tohi Smith-Milner	Mike Pero Nelson Giants	Cigna Saints	21

## Top 10 Overall Index of Success Leaders

Player	Team	Games	Total	Avg
1 Shea Ili	Cigna Saints	16	433	27.1
2 Daishon Knight	Go Media Jets	17	443	26.1
3 Finn Delany	Mike Pero Nelson Giants	12	308	25.7
4 Winston Shepard III	The Wheeler Motor Canterbury Rams	17	433	25.5
5 Kuran Iverson	Go Media Jets	17	430	25.3
6 Javonte Douglas	Augusta Taranaki Mountainairs	13	322	24.8
7 Majok Majok	Cigna Saints	17	403	23.7
8 Marcel Jones	2 Cheap Cars Supercity Rangers	14	331	23.6
9 Kyle Adnam	Mike Pero Nelson Giants	15	353	23.5
10 Jarrad Weeks	SIT Zerofees Southland Sharks	16	352	22.0

# Round 14 Preview

## Cigna Saints (14-3) v Mike Pero Nelson Giants (13-3)

**When:** Thursday, 26th July, 7pm (Live Streamed)  
**Where:** TSB Bank Arena, Wellington  
**Referees:** Melony Wealleans, Sean Cronini, Hayden Pipe

### Notes

The Saints face the Giants for the second time since last Saturday, the Giants winning 90-87 in overtime. Giants, Damon Heuir had 30 points, and has had back to back 30 point games. Wellington have been strong at home with a 7-1 record, their last loss was the first game of the season to the Sharks. Giants have been good on the road with a 6-1 record. If the Giants win both games this weekend then will win the regular season title, this will be the first time since 1998. The Giants leading scorer and rebounder, Finn Delany, missed the Giants win. After leading the league in scoring for the first half of the competition point guard Shea Ili was kept to 13 points on 4/18 shooting against the Giants. In his last three games he is averaging 12.7 points per game, well below his season average of 22.4 per game.

## Augusta Mountainairs (3-13) v SIT Zerofees Sharks (12-4)

**When:** Friday, July 27, 7pm  
**Where:** TSB Stadium, New Plymouth  
**Referees:** Yalla Edwards, Tayla Ammunson, Rhys Hamilton

### Notes

The injury ravaged Airs are currently on a five game losing streak, one of those losses was a 112-105 loss at home to the Sharks who will aiming to win both their games in the final round to potentially be crowned regular season champions. Orlando Coleman tallied a double-double of 27 points and 11 rebounds, and is currently the Sharks leading scorer and rebounder averaging 17 points and 9.6 rebounds per game. The Airs leading scorer, Javonte Douglas, has not played for the Airs since July 8th, missing their last three games. No other team has been affected by injuries like the Airs, who have had a combined 16 missed games between their usual main starters, compared to the Sharks whose starters have missed only a combined three games due to injury. Defensively the Airs have struggled in their last three games allowing on average 105 points per game.

## The Wheeler Motor Canterbury Rams (8-9) v Taylor Hawks (10-6)

**When:** Friday, July 27, 7pm (Live Streamed)  
**Where:** Cowles Stadium, Christchurch  
**Referees:** Dallas Pickering, Gavin Zimmerman, Matt Bathurst

### Notes

The fifth placed Rams will play their final game at home to the Hawks, who eliminated them from playoff competition beating them both times this season. Rams have been competitive for the majority of the games this season, but the issue has been finishing them off, in their last five losses they have lost by an average margin of 5.8 points. One the losses was a six point loss in the last meeting against the Hawks. Dion Prewster scored 21 points while Rams forward, Julian Williams-Washburn had 28. Washburn has been consistent all season for the Rams, but last week was held to a season low nine points against the Sharks. Rookie, head coach Zico Coronel, is taking the Hawks to the playoffs for the first time since 2014, which was under NZ coaching legend Tab Baldwin who took the team to a 15-3 regular season record. The 2014 side would make the grand finals, which had both Jarrod Kenny and Everard Bartlett on the roster. Bartlett is the only member left from the 2006 Hawks side that won the franchises lone title. Bartlett is playing his 13th NBL season and 11th with the Hawks, he will be playing his 200th NBL game.

# Round 14 Preview

## Taylor Hawks (10-6) v Augusta Mountainairs (3-13)

**When:** Saturday, 28th July, 7pm (Live Streamed)  
**Where:** Pettigrew Green Arena, Napier  
**Referees:** Yalla Edwards, Tayla Ammunson, Sherhon Martin

### Notes

The Hawks play host to the Airs for the second time this season, the Airs winning 90-84 in Round Nine. Javonte Douglas and Alonzo Burton combined for 51 points in the win. Burton is one of only two players in the league to make 50 or more three pointers, currently at 50 makes, two behind league leader Clay Wilson. Both Everard Bartlett and Ethan Rusbatch are in the top 10 for made three pointers, Bartlett has the fourth best percentage at 41.7%. The Hawks are currently 6-2 at home, a massive improvement on the last couple of seasons where they won on two of 16. Match up of the game will be between centres Angus Brandt and Xavier Smith. Brandt leads the team in points (15.2 ppg) and rebounds (7.9 rpg). Smith is averaging 13.5 points, 6.7 rebounds and is the league leader in blocks at 1.7 per game. Airs are currently the worst scoring team in the competition at 82.5 points per game, a slight improvement from last season when they averaged 77.9 points per game.

## Go Media Jets (3-14) v 2 Cheap Cars Supercity Rangers (3-14)

**When:** Sunday, 29th July, 3pm  
**Where:** Ballroom Arena, Palmerston North  
**Referees:** Sean Cronin, Hayden Pipe, Duran Whiu

### Notes

The Jets host the Rangers in what will be the final game for Dillon Boucher and Lindsay Tait. Boucher retires as the all time games leader at 428 and has won nine titles, and Tait will finish with 308 games and seven titles. Tait is in a hotly contested race with Rams forward, Winston Shepard III, for the assist title. They are both tied at 131, so it will come down to who dishes out more in their final game. Tait has won the assist title three times. The winner will avoid the wooden spoon, but if the Jets win and the Airs lose both games, then the Rangers will finish ahead of the Airs because of the tiebreak. It was a score fest in the last meeting, the Jets winning in overtime 124-121. Kuran Iverson tallied 32 points, 10 assists and seven steals. Iverson leads the league in rebounds at 11 per game and will go head to head against Marcel Jones who is fourth in rebounds at 10.4. Jets point guard, Daishon Knight, will win the scoring title, currently averaging 29 points per game.

## SIT Zerofees Sharks (12-4) v Mike Pero Nelson Giants (13-3)

**When:** Sunday, 29th July, 3pm (Live Streamed)  
**Where:** ILT Stadium, Invercargill  
**Referees:** Matt Bathurst, Gavin Zimmerman, Sam Pan

### Notes

Sharks host the Giants in what could end up in a three way tie at the top of the table if Giants beat the Saints and the Sharks then beat the Giants. Sharks will finish on top as have beaten the Saints both times and Giants twice out of three. Giants will finish second due to beating the Saints both times. This is the first meeting in Invercargill where the Sharks have gone 7-1. In his two seasons their home record is 15-2. In the last eight meetings between the two teams, the Sharks are 6-2. Giants have been good on the road, currently 6-1. It will be a battle of the Australian point guards Kyle Adnam and Jarrad Weeks. Weeks dished out 12 assists last week, but struggled offensively in his last three games, averaging only 8.3 points shooting 8/28 (28.6%) from the field. Adnam is fourth in assists at 6.1 per game and Weeks is fifth at 5.9.