

**BIG V SEASON 2009 WEEKLY REVIEW:
STATE CHAMPIONSHIP WOMEN**

Here's a snapshot of what happened in State Championship Women during *Week 2 of the finals*.

GAME OF THE ROUND**Waverley Falcons 83 def. Bulleen Boomers 46**

The Waverley Falcons have kept their season alive by taking game two by a solitary point in a dramatic overtime victory against Bulleen.

The Boomers had an eight point lead at the half and six going into the last quarter, before the Falcons pegged the lead back thanks to the efforts of Julie Brookhouse (18 points), Alex Lough (12 points) and Melanie Fraser (15 points).

The game went into OT and the result could've gone either way – but for the Falcons, buckets by Tess and Fraser sealed the win.

The Falcons didn't shoot particularly well – only 28 per cent from the field – but were massive on the glass, picking up 21 offensive boards to Bulleen's seven, and finishing the game with 22 more looks than the Boomers.

For Bulleen, Lauren Jeffers (16 points) and Megan Green (12 points) were solid, with Candice Rogers being a lone-hand on the glass, finishing the game with 11 points and 19 rebounds.

Game MVP: Julie Brookhouse

Hume City Broncos 78 def. Melbourne Tigers 59

The Hume City Broncos have cruised into the State Championship Women's Grand Final in style, taking out the series in game two by 19 points.

After a strong showing in game one, the Tigers simply ran out of options, with Hume City's big guns, firing in dramatic fashion.

For the Broncos, Hibbert (32 points, 10 boards) was unstoppable and she had help from Lauren Bennett (17 points) and Sharin Milner (10 points, 10 assists).

For the Tigers, Hope Terdich was best with 16 points and 12 boards, while Ash Vella (12 points) and Cara Angel (11 points, nine boards) were also strong.

Hume City, with only one loss all year move into the Grand Final series favourites, beaten only by Waverley, who will be looking to wrap things up with Bulleen on Sunday.

Game MVP: Katrina Hibbert

Waverley Falcons 63 def. Bulleen Boomers 39

The Bulleen Boomers will be rueing missed opportunities from Saturday night, after they ran out of legs and were smashed by Waverley in their deciding game of the three-game series.

The Boomers stayed with the Falcons right until the last quarter, when the Falcons blew the game open, winning the final quarter 25 to eight.

Again, the Falcons were superior on the glass, tearing down 24 offensive boards to seven and winning the overall count 57/29.

The Falcons had five double-digit scorers and a massive four players (Thomas, Brookhouse, Porter and Lough) with double-doubles.

For Bulleen, Lisa Pardon finished the game with 13 points. It's been a big season for Bulleen, who will have to wonder what if. For Waverley, they're the only team to have beaten the Broncos. Do they have two wins left in the tank?

Game MVP: Multiple Players

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