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Subject: 2017 Final Four series

Tauranga has been given the hosting rights for the National Basketball League's 2017 Final Four, which are the semi-finals and finals of the NZ NBL.

The NBL Final Four will be played over the weekend of Friday 16 and Saturday 17 June. The semi-finals will take place on the Friday at 5pm and 7pm, with the Final scheduled for Saturday evening at 5pm. All games during the Final Four will be livestreamed via www.basketballtv.co.nz

NBL Chairman lain Potter welcomed Tauranga as the venue. "One of the strengths of the NBL across the country is the incredible support teams receive and whilst Tauranga has put a bid in for a team in 2018 onwards, it is not the basis for the 2017 Finals destination" he explained. "Tauranga have been very fortunate to have held previously successful basketball events in the region with the Tall Blacks, Tall Ferns and NZ Breakers and are delighted to be able to showcase now the top four NBL teams. It's shaping up to be a fantastic weekend an opportunity for the city."

This year's NBL is already into the second half of the competition and whilst some teams looked to have secured a Final Four spot with just five weeks to go, some close games now mean other teams are still vying for a final spot. Whoever finally makes it through, the Final Four promises to be a very exciting weekend.

Play-off games have traditionally sold out very quickly and this year's games tickets are going to be sold as two-day passes, meaning they are even more attractive to families and supporters. Supporters from all teams are urged to secure their seats early.

Some corporate hosting is available, however there are only a few corporate tables left for the weekend.

Tickets will be available through ticketek from Monday 15 May.

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