

2009 WABL & SBL FINALS WEEKEND



August 8th & 9th



Sutherland Basketball Stadium

SBL Division 2 Men

Griffith Demons v Wagga Wagga Heat

Wagga started the brighter of the two teams establishing a 10 – 4 advantage inside three minutes.

After being down by as much as 12 points and way through the quarter, Griffith fought hard to reduce the margin to just four points at the quarter end.

Scoring was more difficult in the second term as determined pressure led to fewer easy scoring shots and more turnovers.

Wagga had increased their lead to six by the end of the first half.

The fierce and competitive battle continued into the third with the momentum swinging every couple of minutes.

By the end of the third , Wagga had established a handy 14 point cushion.

Four minutes into the last quarter Cullen had reduced the margin to 8 points as the defensive pressure picked up from both teams.

Mid way through the final quarter Wagga took stock and took control of the game after several strong defensive rebounds from big man Aaron Arthur. giving a 15 point break.

Two quick three pointers from Griffith's Dean Spratt reduced the margin back to single digits with only two minutes left to play.

Despite Griffith's spirited comeback, it wasn't enough, as Wagga coped with the pressure at the back end of the game to win by 7.