

A2 Grand Final – Tasman Imperial 41 def Ravendale Storm 40

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In an exciting A2 grand final, Tasman Imperial edged out Ravendale Storm by the narrowest of margins, securing a 41–40 win.

Tasman Imperial burst out of the blocks with a dominant first quarter, establishing an impressive 12 goal lead. Their attacking combinations clicked early, while their defensive pressure forced numerous turnovers, giving them control across the court. Despite the intensity of the contest, Tasman Imperial made only minor changes throughout the match, rotating their midcourt to maintain fresh legs and composure.

But Ravendale Storm were far from done. After regrouping at half time, they came out firing in the third quarter with renewed energy and precision. Their defensive unit tightened, and their shooters found rhythm, swinging the momentum their way. By the final break, Storm had surged ahead to lead by 3 goals.

With the game on the line, Tasman Imperial showed immense grit and determination. They lifted across all areas of the court, capitalising on every loose ball and applying relentless pressure. Their ability to remain composed under pressure proved crucial, as they clawed their way back into the match and ultimately edged ahead in the dying minutes.

As the final whistle blew, the scoreboard read 41–40 in Tasman Imperial’s favour. Both teams displayed exceptional skill and heart, but it was Tasman Imperial’s early dominance and late-game resilience that sealed them the title.

Tasman Imperial’s Jordan Casanova taking out best on court.