



A Word from Wenz

It all comes down to this. Just 60 minutes of netball stands between us and the inaugural ANZ Premiership title.

The Grand Final is here and we are pumped to take on the Central Pulse at our Steel fortress. Honestly, we just can't wait to get out there - me included! Te Paea and I have been determined to get medical clearance and we finally got the big tick to be available for selection.

Of course, there's a few nerves which is only natural when you come into a Grand Final.

As a team - players, coaches, management, franchise, sponsors, fans - we've all worked really hard to achieve an unbeaten record so far this season and it's a feat we'll be doing everything in our power to see remain intact come the final whistle.

Not only is this game massive for us, the event is monumental for our community. Like you, we are going to enjoy every minute of it and respect how special it is to be part of.

The chance to lead the Ascot Park Hotel Southern Steel onto the court for the ANZ Premiership Grand Final will be an incredibly proud moment in my sporting career. Every team I have been involved with over the years has been unique and the 2017 edition is no exception.

For me personally, it means so much to have my family in the stands (even though it cost me 62 tickets!), including my twin Debbie and her son Oliver who have ventured over from Australia and my eldest bro Mike and niece Michaela down from Wellington.

Let's do this together! #steelfamily

Cheers,
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The Steel has won all three meetings between the sides in 2017 with winning margins of 13, 36 and 13 goals at an average of 20.7 goals per match.

The Steel and Pulse met 18 times in the former Trans-Tasman Netball League with the Steel winning 11, the Pulse six and there was one draw.

The Steel finished the regular season undefeated with 15 wins and are on a Club record winning run.

The Pulse is coming off a 59-52 win over the SKYCITY Mystics in Elimination Final on Sunday in Wellington.

The Pulse's 10 wins this season is a Club record bettering their eight wins in 2013 when they finished the season in 5th place, also their previous highest season finish.

The Pulse's 59-52 Elimination Final win over the Mystics in Wellington was their first finals appearance in the Club's 10-year history.

The Grand Final pits the ANZ Premiership's best attacking and defensive teams with the Steel averaging 70.8 goals per match while the Pulse concede just 50.5 goals per match.

The Pulse haven't won a quarter against the Steel this season. The Steel won all four quarters in their Round 6 and 9 meetings, while they won three quarters and drew one in their Round 13 match.

Ascot Park Hotel Southern Steel v Te Wananga o Raukawa Pulse

When: 7.30pm, Wednesday 28 June

Where: ILT Stadium Southland, Invercargill

Broadcast: SKY Sport 1 (NZ), Radio Sport, Facebook (outside NZ)
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Umpires: Angela Armstrong-Lush, Gareth Fowler and Kristie Simpson (Reserve)

Last three meetings:

Round 6: Steel 63 def Pulse 50 (Super Sunday, Invercargill)

Round 9: Steel 80 def Pulse 44 (Porirua)

Round 13: Steel 64 def Pulse 51 (Invercargill)

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