

Eastern Conference Finals

61-25 Robertson Division Champion Callaway Kings vs 73-13 Havlicek Division Champion Rocky Mountain Oysters

Regular Season: The Rocky Mountain Oysters set a new VBA record for wins with a 69-13 regular season. They were led by Joe Barry Carroll's 27.9 ppg (3rd best in the VBA) with Alex English close behind at 24.2. Maurice Lucas topped the Oysters with 8.7 rebounds per game. Paul Westphal and Fat Lever combined for 10.8 assists per contest. The Runnin' Oysters, as an opposing coach called them, had the league's 5th best offense, scoring at a 124.8 clip. They had the best points differential of any VBA team at 12.1. The Callaway Kings finished atop the Robertson Division for the 2nd time in the VBA's 4-year history. Marques Johnson was their top scorer at 25.6 points. Rookie, #3 overall pick Terry Cummings, added 23.0 points per game and led the team with 9.3 rebounds. Reggie Theus chipped in 17.5 points and was 4th in the league with 2.1 steals per game. Norm Nixon was 5th in the league, dishing out 8.0 assists. The Kings scored 125.5 (4th) per contest, but gave up 120.5 (13th).





Playoffs: In round one, Alex English led the Oysters with a 19.5 scoring average. Joe Barry Carroll and Walter Davis scored 17.3 ppg as they swept Cape Cod in a low-scoring series. Conversely, Callaway got in a run-and-gun series with their division rival and defending champion Oklahoma Noodlers. Their 4-game sweep resulted in two players averaging over 30 points (Terry Cummings 30.5, Marques Johnson 30.3).

Head-to-head: Callaway managed to win only 1 of the 9 head-to-head contests. Carroll upped his game to 29.0 points and 9.2 boards. English scored at a 27.4 pace. Cummings topped Callaway at 21.9. Theus increased his scoring to 21.2.