

Women's basketball – In-form Kats aim to claim double Scotch

✘ Kats and their under-18 team, Kool Kats, contest their respective Scottish Cup finals at the National Performance Centre this weekend.

Undefeated Kool Kats play Boroughmuir Blaze on Saturday and coach Doug Reilly expects a competitive game based on their last clash before Christmas.

He said: "Cup Finals are always an exciting time for the players, parents, supporters and coaches.

"This is also another game in the development of the players and I hope that they enjoy the build-up and the game."

Kool Kats have developed a strong squad with several players stepping up to the senior team throughout the season to make key contributions.

They include captain Casey Morrison, Tia Davies, Niamh Mackle, Celina Eisenhardt and Zoe Gibson.

Kats last week lifted the Scottish Basketball Championship when they beat Tayside Musketeers 72-53 at Portobello High School.

League form counts for nothing, however, when it comes to Sunday's final as they play the same team.

Reilly said: "It's been great to work alongside Jenny Simpson and this group of girls.

"They have been willing to work hard developing their skills as individuals and as a team."