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Canberra Heat men continue build towards Australian Volleyball League finals

The Canberra Heat continue to build nicely towards the Mens Australian Volleyball League (AVL) finals after their 3-1 victory over local rivals Centre of Excellence at the AIS on Tuesday night.

Coach Les Young said after the match, "We spoke about this game being the start of our next phase, building to finals. It was good to learn a lesson of not closing out the first set, allowing the CoE to take the lead and the set in the last third. The guys refocused well in the second and closed the game out in four. Harry Clayden was the standout player."

The victory on Tuesday night equates to 11 wins in a row for the Heat continuing their current unbeaten streak for the 2017 AVL season.

Heat Captain Marty Collins was pleased with the results achieved by the team leading into the final rounds and looking towards finals, "It's been good to be able to play consistently enough at a level to win all our matches thus far. Qualifying for the finals with games to spare gives our team great freedom to really look at how we need to perform to go one better than 2nd place last year. Having said that we have all 4 games left to play against the Champion team from last year so the remainder of the games will truly be a good test for our squad."

This weekend the Heat will travel to Brisbane to play against the Queensland Pirates. The teams will then meet again the following weekend in the Heat's final home round and top of the table clash at the AIS on 18/19 November which will be intense.

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