



Division One Women's season will kick off with six games across this weekend, with the absence of powerhouse Sunbury, following their promotion to SCW, blowing the competition right open.

Latrobe City will host Keilor to kick off proceedings, with the Energy looking to build on a final four finish in 2016 while the Thunder will be looking for more consistency this season. Traralgon is a tough trip for anyone and will no doubt be a stern test for the visitors first up.

Mildura will host 2016 strugglers Werribee in another 6pm tipoff to open the season, with the matchup a mis-match based on last season's showings. The Heat were strong at home as well, making it an even tougher ask for the visiting Devils, but with a new season brings a fresh start as every side try and snag some early wins to set up their season.

Hawthorn open their season against new girls on the block Casey, with the Magic hoping to break out of the middle of the pack and make a serious push to go deep into August in 2017. The Cavs, meanwhile, will go into their first clash in D1W after being promoted from D2W, and will be looking to make a serious impact over the course of the year. A road win first up would be a fantastic way to start.

Geelong hosts Chelsea in a clash of two sides who each showed plenty of championship potential in 2016 but found it tough with Sunbury going the distance undefeated. The Gulls' chances were cruelled by injuries late in the season after a barnstorming mid-season run of wins, while the 'Cats were simply outclassed in the grand final series but the Jets juggernaut and will be aiming to go one better in 2017.

Camberwell will host Hawthorn on Sunday with a great chance to get off to an undefeated start, getting the Magic on the back-end of a double-header first up. The Dragons will certainly be another of the mid-table sides from 2016 looking to make a push up the standings, and a home clash provides a great opportunity for them to get off to the perfect start.

Whittlesea will start life in D1W by hosting Western Port, a side who will be looking to build on a 2016 finals appearance. The Pacers, meanwhile, will be eager to bounce back from a tumultuous season in SCW that saw them relegated at season's end, and a home game against a quality side provides an opportunity to put that all behind them and start afresh.

Latrobe City vs. Keilor
Mildura vs. Werribee
Hawthorn vs. Casey
Geelong vs. Chelsea
Camberwell vs. Hawthorn
Whittlesea vs. Western Port

Saturday 6pm
Saturday 6pm
Saturday 7.30pm
Sunday 12pm
Sunday 1pm
Sunday 3pm

Latrobe Leisure Traralgon
Toyota Hothouse
Boroondara Sports Complex
The Geelong Arena
Balwyn High School
Mill Park Basketball Stadium

