



Whittlesea (1-16) will welcome Ringwood (15-4) in a matchup that could get very ugly for the home side. The Pacers have endured a dismal season and are set for a stint in D1M from next season onwards, while the Hawks are once again in the title mix. That doesn't bode well for the home side, which are limping towards the finish line for season 2017 and could be heading for another heavy defeat here.

Hawthorn (5-13) and McKinnon (8-9) will go toe-to-toe in what could be the last shot at finals for the visiting side. After being pre-season title favourites, the Cougars have struggled to excel despite boasting what seemed like one of the most talented rosters in the league in March. Another defeat here would be the nail in the coffin for their season, while a win keeps a finals spot within reach.

Diamond Valley (6-12) and Corio Bay (4-13) will do battle in a game where the Eagles will start very warm favourites despite their similar records. The home side has been competitive all year, and has found some winning form of late after a cluster of close losses early in the year derailed their season. The Stingrays, meanwhile, are struggling for numbers after a season of interruptions, and look to be waiting for the final buzzer to sound on a forgettable year.

Knox (15-4) will host Eltham (14-4) in what looms as the game of the round between two genuine title contenders. The Raiders shot the ball at a scorching 60% last weekend in massive win over lowly Whittlesea, while the Wildcats kept their winning form going with a pair of handy victories. Both sides have ambitions to finish top of the table, and with the entire top four on the same amount of losses just three weeks out from finals, this matchup could prove absolutely pivotal in deciding the final seedings.

McKinnon and Whittlesea will both back it up on Sunday, with the Cougars presented with an opportunity to notch a much-needed W and keep their finals chances ticking. A loss on Saturday night could prove too costly to their chances anyway, but regardless banking what should be a routine win against a side that hasn't put up much fight over the past month will be welcomed with open arms by the up-and-down Cougars.

Cross-town rivals Eltham and Diamond Valley will battle it out in what should be a tough battle despite the two sides' respective ladder positions. The home side has title ambitions, while the Eagles have three weeks left in their 2017 season, but after finding some form of late the visitors will be out to cause a major upset and disrupt the finals chances of their fierce rivals.

Waverley (15-4) will look to hold onto top spot when they host a disappointing Hume City (5-13) side. The Falcons have been superb in 2017 and are firmly in the mix for a championship to show for their form, while the Broncos have come up well short of what many predicted would be a finals appearance. On form, it should be a comfortable win for the roaring home side as they keep their fellow top four rivals at bay.

Whittlesea vs. Ringwood

Saturday 7pm

Mill Park Basketball Stadium

Hawthorn vs. McKinnon

Saturday 7.30pm

Boroondara Sports Complex

Diamond Valley vs. Corio Bay

Saturday 8pm

Diamond Valley Sports and Fitness Centre

Knox vs. Eltham

Saturday 8pm

State Basketball Centre

McKinnon vs. Whittlesea

Sunday 2pm

GESAC

Eltham vs. Diamond Valley

Sunday 2.30pm

Eltham High School

Waverley vs. Hume City

Sunday 2.30pm

Waverley Basketball Centre



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