



Chelsea stayed alive with a thrilling 58-55 game two victory over Keilor.

The home side managed to force a decider on the back of some tough defensive play in a match that was very much a grind.

The Thunder grabbed a slim three-point lead in an intense first term, before the Gulls turned around fortunes in the second to head into the main break with a four-point advantage.

The visitors came again, however, and closed to within a single point at three-quarter time, setting the stage for a thrilling final ten minutes.

The home side extended their lead in the early stages of the final term but the visitors refused to disappear and again closed to within a point with a minute to play.

Despite having their chances, the Thunder simply couldn't find the go-ahead basket, and Amy Smith's game-tying attempt at buzzer was off as the Gull's held on.

Malika Jackson (19pts 19reb) and Billie Lucas (17pts 8reb) led the Gulls to victory, while Aneta Bandilovski (15pts 4reb) and Genna Anderson (12pts 8reb) were valiant in defeat.

The teams returned to the floor on Sunday for the all-important deciding game three.

The Gulls had the momentum coming in following their win on Saturday night and took full advantage, opening with a stunning 30-16 first term.

With the home crowd in full voice, the Thunder were on the back foot, and could only manage to stem the flow in the second term as the margin sat at a sizeable 13 points at the main break.

Chelsea went for the kill in the third term and managed to set up a match-winning lead, with the Thunder suddenly 20 points down with just 10 minutes to play in their season.

The visitors fought hard in the final term and managed to cut the margin to 12 by the final buzzer but that was as close as they could get as Chelsea were crowned champions.

With Malika Jackson (10pts 12reb) and Billie Lucas (8pts 4reb) well managed, it was Lee Burch (21pts) who was the hero for the Gulls, while for the Thunder it was Genna Anderson (21pts 10reb) and Amy Smith (14pts 6reb) working hard in defeat.

### GRAND FINAL GAME 2 & 3 RESULTS

Chelsea defeated Keilor (58-55)

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