



Whittlesea kicked off a small weekend of basketball with a 74-65 win over Casey on the road. The Cavs took a three-point lead into the final quarter after a tight opening half an hour, only to be overrun by a rampant Pacers outfit, who enjoyed a 23-11 final term run to claim victory. Jess Scannell starred for Whittlesea, finishing with 22 points, five boards and four steals to lead her side to victory. For the home side, it was Rachel Borham (21pts 6reb) leading the way but it proved futile in the end as her side's offense went missing down the stretch.

Chelsea saw off a stern challenge from Hawthorn to run out 84-74 victors on the road. The Gulls used a 19-11 second term to break the contest open and then closed it out in the final stanza, ensuring they would head back down the highway with smiles on their faces. As always, Malika Jackson (24pts 16reb) and Billie Lucas (22pts) did most of the damage on the scoreboard, while Mikaela Dickson (14pts) did her part off the bench in support. Katelyn Leddy (22pts 9reb) led the hometown Magic in defeat, with just a couple of lapses in concentration through an otherwise tight contest costing them a shot at victory.

Werribee escaped with a 70-67 overtime victory over Camberwell. In what was a low-scoring and scrappy affair, neither side could get going offensively but the Dragons managed to hold onto a four-point lead late in the fourth, before two triples to the Devs, separated by a Sarah Stone (28pts 12reb) deuce for the home side, forced OT. The Dragons again took an early lead but the Devils fought back again to level the scores. With the game heading for another extra period, Jessie Price (20pts 5reb) found her range at the buzzer from deep to win it for the jubilant visitors. Rohanee Cox (26pts 13reb) returned to do some damage for the Devils, with the pair covering for Sumar Leslie, who went down with injury after just a minute of action.

Keilor rounded out the weekend with a hard-fought 87-74 win over Latrobe City. The Thunder ran all over their opponents in the final term, finishing on a blistering 33-16 run to take the spoils. Aneta Bandilovski (24pts 6ast) was the star for the home side, leading her side to a morale-boosting victory, with Amy Smith (16pts 5reb 9ast) and Alexandra McKellar (16pts 5reb) providing the support. For the Energy, Tanarly Hood (25pts 8reb 5ast) and Jordan Pyle (21pts) led the way but it simply wasn't enough.

ROUND 8 RESULTS

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Chelsea defeated **Hawthorn** (84-74)

Werribee defeated **Camberwell** (70-67)
Keilor defeated Latrobe City (87-74)



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