

Round 1, April 1 & 2 2006

Welcome to Division One Women's action for 2006, here's a quick snapshot of what happened in the league this round.

Game of the Week

Warrnambool 76 dft Diamond Valley 69

Last year's Division One champs against the promoted Division Two champs did not disappoint anyone with overtime needed to sort out the two teams in what turned out to be a pretty impressive debut for the Eagles at this level. Katie Davis was, as expected, the shining light, stamping her authority everywhere with 28 points and 14 rebounds as she logged just over 40 minutes in the extended game. DV will take plenty from this – to be this close to the Mermaids at Warrnambool, despite shooting poorly, would give them plenty of confidence.

Game MVP: Katie Davis

Shepparton 68 dft Blackburn 40

The Vikings had just one player in double figures and against a powerhouse like Shepparton that was never going to be enough. Caitlin Shadbolt and Rachel Wharton combined for 32 points and 17 rebounds to see Shep home.

Game MVP: Rachel Wharton

Melbourne University 54 dft Whittlesea 44

A great debut in D1 for the Black Angels, who got this done with the whole team contributing rather than relying on any one player. A 4-15 final term really hurt the Pacers, who held a slim advantage coming into the last period.

Game MVP: Elise Swan

LTU 68 dft Sunbury 66

These two played out the closest game of the round with LTU running all over Sunbury in the last period. Stephanie Cortese starred with 20 points and 17 rebounds, hitting seven of 10 attempts. The students off to fine start.

Game MVP: Stephanie Cortese

Werribee 65 dft Whittlesea 46

The She-Devils again set the tone for a good season, defeating one of last years semi-finalists comfortably after winning three of the four quarters. Larissa Cordiano much brighter today after a quiet game the night before but still not enough for her Pacers to get up.

Game MVP: Larissa Cordiano

Division One Women's Ladder

Rnk	Team	P	W	L	%
1	Shepparton	1	1	0	170.0
2	Werribee	1	1	0	141.3
3	Melbourne University	1	1	0	122.7
4	Warrnambool	1	1	0	110.1
5	LTU	1	1	0	103.0
6	Sunbury	1	0	1	97.0
7	Diamond Valley	1	0	1	90.7
8	Whittlesea	2	0	2	75.6
9	Blackburn	1	0	1	58.8

Round Highlights.....

- ▶ Katie Davis established a pretty high standard for herself in her first game back at Warrnambool, with 28 points and 14 rebounds
- ▶ Rachel Wharton did likewise in her debut for Shepparton, 14 points, 12 rebounds, 2 blocks and 3 steals
- ▶ Stephanie Cortese showed she will once again be a threat to both scoring and rebounding titles in 2006, logging 20 points and 17 boards for LTU

Coming Up Next Week in Big V

- ▶ Werribee @ Sunbury
- ▶ Diamond Valley @ Blackburn
- ▶ Whittlesea @ Warrnambool
- ▶ Shepparton @ Melbourne University
- ▶ Sunbury @ Diamond Valley
- ▶ Blackburn @ Whittlesea
- ▶ LTU @ Werribee