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2023 NRL FINALS WEEK 1  
NRLW ROUND 8

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**FINALS  
WEEK 1**

**ROUND  
EIGHT**

NRL & NRLW MATCH PROGRAMME · INCLUDES FIXTURES, TEAMLISTS, RESULTS FOR UK, NSWRL, QRL

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## NRL FINALS WEEK 1

## NRLW ROUND 8

### FROM THE UK

**SUPER LEAGUE** Round 25  
**CHAMPIONSHIP** Round 25  
**WOMEN'S SUPER LEAGUE** Round 10

### FROM THE NSWRL

**NSW CUP** Semi Finals  
**JERSEY FLEGG** Semi Finals

### FROM THE QRL

**QLD CUP & U21 COLTS**  
Preliminary Finals

### We're keeping it simple in 2023!

This year, The Front Row will simply contain the programme for each round. We will occasionally have feature stories, but throughout the season, the focus is fully on this online zine acting as a match companion. We'd like to thank RugbyLeagueProject.org for their support and use of various statistics throughout this publication.

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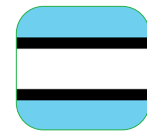
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## THURSDAY 7 SEPTEMBER 2023

**CRONULLA v ST GEORGE ILLAWARRA**

7:45PM @ POINTSBET



NRLW



## FRIDAY 8 SEPTEMBER 2023

QUALIFYING FINAL

**BRISBANE v MELBOURNE**

7:50PM @ SUNCORP



NRL



## SATURDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2023

**WESTS TIGERS v BRISBANE**

11:30AM @ McDONALD JONES



NRLW



**NEWCASTLE v SYDNEY**

1:30PM @ McDONALD JONES



NRLW



QUALIFYING FINAL  
**PENRITH v WARRIORS**

4:00PM @ BLUEBET

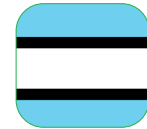


NRL



ELIMINATION FINAL  
**CRONULLA v SYDNEY**

7:50PM @ POINTSBET



NRL



## SUNDAY 10 SEPTEMBER 2023

**NORTH QUEENSLAND v CANBERRA**

11:30AM @ CBUS SUPER



NRLW



**GOLD COAST v PARRAMATTA**

1:30PM @ CBUS SUPER



NRLW



ELIMINATION FINAL  
**NEWCASTLE v CANBERRA**

4:05PM @ McDONALD JONES



NRL



# NRL 2023 FINAL LADDER, STATS LEADERS

FINAL 2023 PREMIERSHIP LADDER		Home							Away							Total								
Pos	Team	P	W	L	D	F	A	PD	P	W	L	D	F	A	PD	P	W	L	D	B	F	A	Pts	PD
1.	PENRITH	12	9	3	-	334	149	185	12	9	3	-	311	163	148	24	18	6	-	3	645	312	42	+333
2.	BRISBANE	12	7	5	-	306	219	87	12	11	1	-	333	206	127	24	18	6	-	3	639	425	42	+214
3.	MELBOURNE	12	9	3	-	355	196	159	12	7	5	-	272	263	9	24	16	8	-	3	627	459	38	+168
4.	WARRIORS	12	8	4	-	234	194	40	12	8	4	-	338	254	84	24	16	8	-	3	572	448	38	+124
5.	NEWCASTLE	12	9	3	-	346	210	136	12	5	6	1	280	241	39	24	14	9	1	3	626	451	35	+175
6.	CRONULLA	12	7	5	-	354	207	147	12	7	5	-	265	290	-25	24	14	10	-	3	619	497	34	+122
7.	SYDNEY	12	8	4	-	254	238	16	12	5	7	-	218	258	-40	24	13	11	-	3	472	496	32	-24
8.	CANBERRA	12	7	5	-	249	334	-85	12	6	6	-	237	289	-52	24	13	11	-	3	486	623	32	-137
9.	SOUTHS	12	4	8	-	217	286	-69	12	8	4	-	347	219	128	24	12	12	-	3	564	505	30	+59
10.	PARRAMATTA	12	7	5	-	275	248	27	12	5	7	-	312	326	-14	24	12	12	-	3	587	574	30	+13
11.	NORTH QLD	12	8	4	-	333	247	86	12	4	8	-	213	295	-82	24	12	12	-	3	546	542	30	+4
12.	MANLY	12	6	5	1	295	243	52	12	5	7	-	250	296	-46	24	11	12	1	3	545	539	29	+6
13.	DOLPHINS	12	5	7	-	250	294	-44	12	4	8	-	270	337	-67	24	9	15	-	3	520	631	24	-111
14.	GOLD COAST	12	6	6	-	293	347	-54	12	3	9	-	234	306	-72	24	9	15	-	3	527	653	24	-126
15.	CANTERBURY	12	4	8	-	222	403	-181	12	3	9	-	216	366	-150	24	7	17	-	3	438	769	20	-331
16.	ST GEORGE ILLAWARRA	12	5	7	-	274	332	-58	12	-	12	-	200	341	-141	24	5	19	-	3	474	673	16	-199
17.	WESTS TIGERS	12	3	9	-	245	289	-44	12	1	11	-	140	386	-246	24	4	20	-	3	385	675	14	-290

## KEN IRVINE MEDAL (MOST TRIES)

Rank	Player	Team	P	T
1	Jamayne ISAAKO	Dolphins	24	24
2	Dominic YOUNG	Newcastle	23	23
3	Alex JOHNSTON	South Sydney	23	21
=	Mikaele RAVALAWA	St Geo Illa	21	21
=	Dallin WATENE-ZELEZNIAK	Warriors	17	21
6	Alofiana KHAN-PEREIRA	Gold Coast	23	20
=	Greg MARZHEW	Newcastle	20	20
=	Ronaldo MULTALO	Cronulla	22	20
=	Maika SIVO	Parramatta	20	20
10	Selwyn COBBO	Brisbane	21	19
=	Clinton GUTHERSON	Parramatta	23	19
12	Brian TO'O	Penrith	20	17
13	Xavier COATES	Melbourne	20	16
=	Campbell GRAHAM	South Sydney	21	16
=	Will WARBRICK	Melbourne	22	16
16	Hamiso TABUAI-FIDOW	Dolphins	20	15
17	Stephen CRICHTON	Penrith	21	14
=	William KENNEDY	Cronulla	19	14
=	Ezra MAM	Brisbane	22	14
=	Jason SAAB	Manly	19	14

## TOP GOALKICKERS

Rank	Player	Team	P	G	Att	%	GPG
1	Nick MEANEY	Melbourne	22	88	110	80%	4.00
2	Nicho HYNES	Cronulla	20	81	102	79%	4.05
3	Adam REYNOLDS	Brisbane	20	79	100	79%	3.95
4	Jamayne ISAAKO	Dolphins	24	73	101	72%	3.04
5	Nathan CLEARY	Penrith	19	72	88	82%	3.79
6	Shaun JOHNSON	Warriors	23	71	89	80%	3.09
7	Tanah BOYD	Gold Coast	21	69	86	80%	3.29
8	Mitchell MOSES	Parramatta	19	69	87	79%	3.63
9	Valentine HOLMES	North Qld	18	68	82	83%	3.78
10	Reuben GARRICK	Manly	21	63	83	76%	3.00
11	Matt BURTON	Canterbury	23	60	71	85%	2.61
12	Jarrold CROKER	Canberra	15	59	68	87%	3.93
13	Zac LOMAX	St Geo Illa	20	57	83	69%	2.85
14	Latrell MITCHELL	South Sydney	16	53	73	73%	3.31
15	Joseph-Aukuso SUAALI'I	Sydney	20	46	59	78%	2.30
16	Kalyn PONGA	Newcastle	18	40	52	77%	2.22
17	Brandon WAKEHAM	Wests Tigers	15	27	33	82%	1.80
18	Lachlan MILLER	Newcastle	12	26	37	70%	2.17
19	Jamal FOGARTY	Canberra	23	24	27	89%	1.04
20	Blake TAAFFE	South Sydney	13	24	33	73%	1.85

## TOP POINTSCORERS

^ denotes 1 x two point field goal

Rank	Player	Team	P	T	G	FG	Pts
1	Jamayne ISAAKO	Dolphins	24	24	73	2	244
2	Nick MEANEY	Melbourne	22	10	88	-	216
3	Nicho HYNES	Cronulla	20	5	81	1	183
4	Adam REYNOLDS	Brisbane	20	5	79	4	182
5	Shaun JOHNSON	Warriors	23	8	71	2	176
6	Reuben GARRICK	Manly	21	12	63	-	174
7	Nathan CLEARY	Penrith	19	5	72	6	170
8	Valentine HOLMES	North Queensland	18	8	68	2	170
9	Mitchell MOSES	Parramatta	19	7	69	3	169
10	Tanah BOYD	Gold Coast	21	2	69	1	147
11	Latrell MITCHELL	South Sydney	16	9	53	1	143
12	Zac LOMAX	St George Illawarra	20	7	57	-	142
13	Matt BURTON	Canterbury	23	4	60	2	138
14	Jarrold CROKER	Canberra	15	3	59	-	130
15	Joseph-Aukuso SUAALI'I	Sydney	20	8	46	-	124
16	Kalyn PONGA	Newcastle	18	8	40	-	112
17	Clinton GUTHERSON	Parramatta	23	19	16	-	108
18	Stephen CRICHTON	Penrith	21	14	20	-	96
19	Dominic YOUNG	Newcastle	23	23	-	-	92

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## HEAD TO HEAD: 1998 - 2023

	TOTAL	BRISBANE	MELBOURNE	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	54	13	40	1
SUNCORP	21	3	18	0
FINALS	8	2	6	0

## LAST FIVE MEETINGS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2021	Round 12	MELBOURNE 40-12	Suncorp Stadium	23,600
2022	Round 15	MELBOURNE 32-20	AAMI Park	18,586
2022	Round 23	MELBOURNE 60-12	Suncorp Stadium	42,612
2023	Round 11	MELBOURNE 24-16	AAMI Park	16,043
2023	Round 27	MELBOURNE 32-22	Suncorp Stadium	43,271

## BIGGEST WINS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2002	Round 21	BRISBANE 48-20	Olympic Park Stadium	10,308
2022	Round 23	MELBOURNE 60-12	Suncorp Stadium	42,612

## THINGS TO KNOW

- Adam REYNOLDS, Ryan PAPENHUYZEN and Xavier COATES all have 49 NRL tries
- Nick MEANEY has 47 NRL tries
- Jahrome HUGHES has 49 tries for Melbourne Storm
- Melbourne have 1003 points in their last 33 games against the Broncos, an average of 30 points per game (dating back to the 2007 finals series). Brisbane have won just 4 of those 33 games.
- Melbourne have won all of the last 4 finals games between these two sides, with a combined score of 126-24

## FORM - LAST THREE

	ROUND 25	ROUND 26	ROUND 27
BRISBANE	BYE	CANBERRA W 29-18	MELBOURNE L 22-32
MELBOURNE	ST GEO ILLA W 38-28	GOLD COAST W 37-16	BRISBANE W 32-22

## WHAT'S NEXT

WINNER Home Preliminary Final in Week 3

LOSER Home Semi Final in Week 2, v winner of Sharks-Roosters Elimination Final

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# THE PREVIEW

with Beth NICHOLLS

A Round 27 rematch opens the 2023 finals series, with the Storm travelling back to Brisbane to take on the Broncos, for the first qualifying finals match.

For Brisbane, this year has been a big one. With many predictions placing them in the bottom half of the top eight prior to the season starting, finishing in top two and minorly missing minor premiership was a little shock to the system. Reece Walsh has been an electrifying addition to the 2023 squad, along with the ever-growing halves partnership of Ezra Mam and Adam Reynolds, who make the Broncos side so dominant in attack. The 2023 finals series, marks their first finals appearance since 2018.

After having rested a plethora of players during the R27 clash, the Broncos are back to a full-strength side this week. Along with Adam Reynolds and Pat Carrigan who missed the last two games of the Broncos home-and-away season due to respective calf and foot injuries. Jesse Arthurs shifts out to the right wing, with Corey Dates dropping to 18th man. Walters has also opted for Keenan Palasia to join the bench instead of Corey Jensen.

For Melbourne, this year was an improvement from last year, and was quite a challenge where the team was missing many star forwards, along with Nick Meaney being promoted to fulltime fullback due to the 2022 injury to Ryan Papenhuyzen. After finishing in fifth last year and dropping out in the first match of finals, it's great to see the Storm back inside the top four, after missing out for the first time in seven seasons last year. This finals series marks the thirteenth in a row for Melbourne, and their seventh out of their last eight seasons within the top four.

Much like the home side, the Storm welcome back many players who were either rested or out injured during their R27 clash. Both Jahrome Hughes and Harry Grant are good to go, after both suffering respective knee and shoulder injuries. Ryan Papenhuyzen has been named on the bench (as expected), along with Tyrann Wishart being named as 18th man.

The Broncos/Storm rivalry is still as alive as ever in 2023, although Melbourne have dominated since 2017, where they have won their past 14 matchups in a row against Brisbane. The Broncos have also not won since 2009 at Suncorp Stadium against the Storm, meaning the odds are painfully in Melbourne's favour.

The Broncos also have had a rough go with finals series' recently, where they have only won one of six finals matches. Although this could be the year of change, as it has been demonstrated all season long by the Brisbane side.

**WHO TO WATCH:** This game is locked and loaded, with many star players scattered across both teams. Although, I think this game will be controlled and dominated by the two leading halfbacks.

Having joined Brisbane in 2022, captain and halfback Adam Reynolds has dominated the competition this year, and always has a sense of control over the Broncos side. This year he has scored five tries and assisted with 17. Reynolds continues to bring class, control, experience, and impressive plays to his game.

One of the game's best playmakers, Jahrome Hughes returns to the side after missing last match due to a knee injury. Having 21 try assists this season, Hughes leads the Storm sides for total number of try assists along with linebreak assist with a total of 17. He also has scored a total of seven tries of his own. Hughes is an integral part of the Storm side, bringing leadership and experience to the team, where he compliments his halves partner, Cameron Munster.

**FAVOURITE:** Brisbane are minorly favoured to claim victory against Melbourne and advance straight to the preliminary finals.

**MY TIP:** I feel like this game could go either way, with both sides being dominant in attack and defence. Although the stats majorly lean in the way of Melbourne, that doesn't mean that the Broncos can finally get over the hurdle and claim a win after six years. My heart is leaning towards Brisbane (although I hate when my two teams play against each other), and I believe that if they play a tidy (but electric) game, they will be able to get over the line. Brisbane by 8.

# PENRITH PANTHERS WARRIORS

## FIRST QUALIFYING FINAL 1ST V 4TH

VENUE	BLUEBET STADIUM	Adam GEE	REFEREE
LOCATION	DHARUG   PENRITH, NSW	Dave MUNRO, Chris SUTTON	TOUCH JUDGES
DAY & TIME	SATURDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2023   4:05PM AEST	Ashley KLEIN	NRL BUNKER

P	T	G	FG	Pts	Age		
23	11	2	-	48	27	Dylan EDWARDS	<b>1</b>
23	9	-	-	36	20	Sunia TURUVA	<b>2</b>
14	10	-	-	40	21	Izack TAGO	<b>3</b>
21	14	20	-	96	22	Stephen CRICHTON	<b>4</b>
20	17	-	-	68	24	Brian TO'O	<b>5</b>
10	-	5	1	11	25	Jack COGGER	<b>6</b>
19	5	72	5	170	25	Nathan CLEARY	<b>7</b>
23	2	-	-	8	27	Moses LEOTA	<b>8</b>
20	-	-	-	-	25	Mitch KENNY	<b>9</b>
20	-	-	-	-	27	James FISHER-HARRIS	<b>10</b>
20	4	-	-	16	30	Scott SORENSEN	<b>11</b>
15	5	-	-	20	26	Liam MARTIN	<b>12</b>
21	4	-	-	16	28	Isaah YEO	<b>13</b>
14	10	-	-	40	31	Tyrone PEACHEY	<b>14</b>
20	-	-	-	-	23	Lindsay SMITH	<b>15</b>
18	1	-	-	4	22	Spencer LENIU	<b>16</b>
20	3	-	-	12	26	Zac HOSKING	<b>17</b>
17	4	-	-	16	24	Jaeman SALMON	<b>18</b>
11	-	-	-	-	30	Matt EISENHUTH	<b>19</b>
2	1	-	-	4	23	Luke SOMMERTON	<b>20</b>
8	1	-	-	4	27	Luke GARNER	<b>21</b>
5	5	-	-	20	22	Thomas JENKINS	<b>22</b>

Ivan CLEARY

### FULLBACK

### WING

### CENTRE

### CENTRE

### WING

### FIVE-EIGHTH

### HALFBACK

### FRONT ROW

### HOOKER

### FRONT ROW

### SECOND ROW

### SECOND ROW

### LOCK

### INTERCHANGE

### RESERVES

### COACH

		Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
<b>1</b>	Charnze NICOLL-KLOKSTAD	27	20	6	-	-	24
<b>2</b>	Dallin WATENE-ZELEZNIAK	27	17	21	-	-	84
<b>3</b>	Rocco BERRY	22	13	2	-	-	8
<b>4</b>	Adam POMPEY	24	24	5	14	-	46
<b>5</b>	Marcelo MONTOYA	27	24	9	-	-	36
<b>6</b>	Te Maire MARTIN	27	6	-	-	-	-
<b>7</b>	Shaun JOHNSON	32	23	8	71	2	176
<b>8</b>	Addin FONUA-BLAKE	27	23	8	-	-	32
<b>9</b>	Wayde EGAN	26	19	5	-	-	20
<b>10</b>	Mitchell BARNETT	29	12	2	-	-	8
<b>11</b>	Jackson FORD	25	21	4	-	-	16
<b>12</b>	Marata NIUKORE	26	19	3	-	-	12
<b>13</b>	Tohu HARRIS	31	20	3	-	-	12
<b>14</b>	Dylan WALKER	28	21	2	-	-	8
<b>15</b>	Jazz TEVAGA	27	8	1	-	-	4
<b>16</b>	Bayley SIRONEN	26	21	1	-	-	4
<b>17</b>	Joshua CURRAN	24	20	4	-	-	16
<b>18</b>	Freddy LUSSICK	22	13	1	-	-	4
<b>20</b>	Taine TUAUPIKI	23	5	-	-	-	-
<b>21</b>	Bunty AFOA	26	21	1	-	-	4
<b>22</b>	Tom ALE	24	19	1	-	-	4
<b>23</b>	Edward KOSI	24	11	5	-	-	20

Andrew WEBSTER

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	PENALTIES	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	SCRUMS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	SET RESTARTS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16

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## HEAD TO HEAD: 1995 - 2023

	TOTAL	PENRITH	WARRIORS	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	50	31	18	1
BLUEBET	22	13	8	1
FINALS	2	2	0	0

## LAST FIVE MEETINGS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2020	Round 14	PENRITH 18-12	Central Coast Stadium	2,737
2021	Round 18	PENRITH 30-16	Suncorp Stadium	24,894
2022	Round 15	PENRITH 40-6	Moreton Daily Stadium	8,127
2022	Round 24	PENRITH 46-12	Bluebet Stadium	17,025
2023	Round 10	PENRITH 18-6	Suncorp Stadium	38,035

## BIGGEST WINS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2013	Round 10	PENRITH 62-6	Centrebet Stadium	9,386
2001	Round 9	WARRIORS 52-8	Ericsson Stadium	16,876

# THE PREVIEW

with Andrew JACKSON

The Warriors are back. Back in the finals for the first time since 2018, back against the same team that knocked them out of contention that year with a 27-12 win.

This is a different Warriors team to that one though, transformed under rookie coach Andrew Webster with an evolution in game plan that is best summed up by Shaun Johnson's own individual metamorphosis as a player this season.

Of course, this Panthers side is a very different one to 2018 too. Now Penrith is on the verge of history, with a chance to book its spot in the preliminary final and go one step closer to a third-straight premiership.

The Panthers rebounded from a surprise loss to the Eels by dismantling the Cowboys in clinical fashion last week, running away 44-12 winners to claim the minor premiership.

An undermanned Warriors team, on the other hand, were comprehensively beaten 34-10 by the Dolphins and while that result says little about their finals aspirations, there is cause for concern given the way they finished the regular season.

The Warriors were on a seven-game winning run before that Dolphins loss but victories over lowly opposition like the Dragons, Sea Eagles, Tigers and - yes - even top-eight team the Raiders - were unconvincing.

Sorry for that subtle drive-by Canberra fans, but the points differential speaks volumes.

Anyway, the Warriors have hardly had the kind of preparation needed to make the step up against a competition heavyweight like Penrith.

It is a sign of growth, however, that the Warriors have found a way to win those kind of games when they weren't performing to their absolute best. The Warriors of old would have dropped a few of them.

## THINGS TO KNOW

- Panthers have won their last 6 straight finals games and have won 4 of 5 finals games played at Penrith.
- Penrith have won their last 7 games against the Warriors.

## FORM - LAST THREE

	ROUND 25	ROUND 26	ROUND 27
PENRITH	GOLD COAST W 40-14	PARRAMATTA L 18-32	NORTH QLD W 44-12
WARRIORS	MANLY W 29-22	ST GEO ILLA W 18-6	DOLPHINS L 10-34

## WHAT'S NEXT

WINNER Home Preliminary Final in Week 3

LOSER Home Semi Final in Week 2, v winner of Knights-Raiders Elimination Final

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The problem is the Warriors will need to be at their absolute best to be a chance against a Panthers side that is now full-strength, of course outside of at five-eighth with Jarome Luai still sidelined.

Otherwise, both Mitch Kenny (hamstring) and Scott Sorensen (leg) return with Tyrone Peachey seemingly the favoured utility option now over Soni Luke.

Luke Sommerton is on the extended bench to provide cover should Kenny suffer any setbacks with his injury.

Elsewhere, Tohu Harris (back) is named despite concerns he could miss week one of the finals while Jazz Tevaga returns from a hamstring injury to take his spot on the bench.

The winner of this game earns the week off while the loser plays either the high-flying Knights or Raiders.

**WHO TO WATCH:** Against a big Warriors side packing plenty of punch, look for interchange forward Spencer Leniu to make a statement off the bench for the Panthers. Leniu finishes up at the foot of the mountains at the end of this year, set to make the switch to the Eastern Suburbs. But first Leniu has his eyes set on finishing his time with the Panthers on a high and will be sorely missed next year, having proven a high-impact interchange player for the defending premiers. Leniu averages just under 100 running metres despite only seeing around 30 to 35 minutes of playing time off the bench. Should the Warriors try to jump the Panthers early, a player like Leniu will prove crucial in swinging momentum back in Penrith's favour.

As for the Warriors, the key to breaking down a resolute Penrith defence will be ball-playing through the middle and that starts with lock forward Tohu Harris. It is unclear just how fit Harris is, having been reportedly at risk of missing Saturday's game with back spasms. Harris though has been named and will play a crucial role for the Warriors as not only a workhorse through the middle to tidy things up in defence, but also an extra creative spark through the middle. Harris laid on a beautiful short ball to put Addin Fonua-Blake over against the Panthers earlier this year. Those short, sharp passes could help the Warriors create opportunities against a Penrith side that often gives its opponents little room to move.

**FAVOURITE:** The Panthers are well-backed to make it four-straight preliminary final appearances.

**MY TIP:** The Warriors have been coasting over the last month or two and will need to go up to another level or risk being blown apart by the Panthers early. Should Penrith weather the early storm, this shapes as a fairly comfortable win for the home side when considering recent form. Panthers by 20.





## BROADCAST

WATCH	NINE NETWORK, 9NOW, FOX LEAGUE, KAYO SPORTS
LISTEN	ABC SPORT, CHECK GUIDES FOR OTHERS
READ	<a href="#">LIVE BLOG - LEAGUEUNLIMITED.COM</a>

## HEAD TO HEAD: 1967 - 2023

	TOTAL	CRONULLA	SYDNEY	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	100	35	63	2
POINTS BET	49	19	28	2
FINALS	2	0	2	0

## LAST FIVE MEETINGS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2019	Round 5	SYDNEY 30-16	Pointsbet Stadium	13,470
2020	Round 19	SYDNEY 34-18	Sydney Cricket Ground	6,398
2021	Round 5	SYDNEY 26-18	Sydney Cricket Ground	10,736
2022	Round 12	SYDNEY 36-16	Pointsbet Stadium	11,500
2023	Round 7	CRONULLA 22-12	Pointsbet Stadium	11,489

## BIGGEST WINS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
1991	Round 18	CRONULLA 48-14	Caltex Field	7,071
2013	Round 19	SYDNEY 40-0	Allianz Stadium (1988)	13,706

# THE PREVIEW

with AJ LUCANTONIO

Winner takes all in elimination blockbuster

The NRL's first elimination final sees two clubs with mixed seasons go head-to-head at Sydney's most overcrowded construction site... sorry PointsBet Stadium when the Cronulla Sharks play host to the Sydney Roosters on Saturday night. Yes, it's a Roosters fan previewing a Roosters final, but I promise it'll be as balanced as possible.

For Cronulla it's been a year of what could've been. After a strong start to the year, a mid-season skid saw their finals chances in jeopardy. However, after a 28-0 shellacking at the hands of Penrith, it's just what the doctor ordered with the home side rebounding nicely winning four of their last five matches to secure a home final.

Braydon Trindall's inclusion to 5/8 has been a nice compliment to Nicho Hynes' free wielding spirit allowing him to run more and control the attacking third. Their starting forward I am yet to be convinced on but the impact Jack Williams, Tom Hazleton and Royce Hunt bring is immense and an earlier injection against a Roosters pack who don't rotate their forwards until late in the first half could be a vital moment in the Sharks season. To beat the Roosters, they need to dominate up front early and allow Hynes and Trindall to dictate terms. This Roosters side is different to the one we've seen most of the season so it's vital that they get on top early and refuse to give them a sniff.

On the team front. It'll be a similar looking side today! Will Kennedy looks set to return from a hamstring injury after being listed among the reserves. Connor Tracey played five games at fullback in Kennedy's absence but suffered a knee injury against the Raiders and looks unlikely to be available.

For the Roosters... Even in their worst season in close to a decade. The club has again qualified for the finals. It's not been a great season by most people's assessments (yes even my own) but they have qualified on merit as opposed to the viewpoint of some media scribes out there. The wheel turned after their Round 20 loss to Melbourne, with troops returning and a more consistent vibe in their 17, the Roosters have dropped just one match since that point eliminating teams such as Manly and Souths from the playoffs on their way.

## THINGS TO KNOW

- This will be Braden HAMLIN-UELE's 100th NRL game
- Jesse RAMIEN has 47 NRL tries
- Sharks have lost all of their last 5 finals games, conceding an average of 30.4 points per game
- Roosters have won 4 of their last 5 games at Pointsbet stadium, that 1 loss though came this year.

## FORM - LAST THREE

	ROUND 25	ROUND 26	ROUND 27
CRONULLA	NORTH QLD W 32-12	NEWCASTLE L 6-32	CANBERRA W 24-6
SYDNEY	PARRAMATTA W 34-12	WESTS TIGERS W 32-8	SOUTH SYDNEY W 26-12

## WHAT'S NEXT

WINNER Away Semi Final in Week 2, v loser of Brisbane-Melbourne

LOSER Eliminated

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Looking at what's changed. Lindsay Collins has stepped up in the absence of Jared Waerea-Hargraves while Siua Wong has given the Roosters added spark on the right edge while Victor Radley did what many thought was impossible by staying calm and NOT losing control against the Rabbitohs (yes trust me it's a shocking revelation). The backs deserve flowers of their own with Billy Smith, Junior Pauga and Joseph Suaalii starring in the run home as well as James Tedesco and Luke Keary complementing each other given the inclusion of energiser bunny Sam Walker. Terrell May has been a find on the bench for the Roosters producing some monster efforts off the pine in recent weeks. To beat Cronulla, they need to control early possession, eliminate the threat of Hynes and force the back 5 to get to work. With the ball in the red-zone targeting the vulnerable Sharks left edge is a must for the boys from Bondi.

On the team front, Daniel Tupou is still unavailable. Pauga deputises for him. Joey Manu is named and ready to go, but Corey Allan is on stand-by. Fletcher Baker starts for Egan Butcher who reverts into an impact bench spot.

**WHO TO WATCH:** For the home side, the focus is on Nicho Hynes. The Sharks will be looking to atone for last year's embarrassing straight sets exit after finishing second. On Hynes' own admission, the Sharks were embarrassing in the finals last season and given his form in the mini revival to finish the year, it's set to be a redemption arc that the Sharks need. Hynes delivered his side a home final in brutal fashion with a season high four try assists coming at a critical point. With the way he tore the Roosters to shreds in the second half in Round 7, it could be the man to deliver the Sharks a week 2 finals birth.

For the Roosters, my focus spreads onto Sam Walker. In what's been the most troubling year of his young NRL career to date, Walker was dropped after 7 rounds due to a lack of game management and poor form. An untimely knee injury after showing good form in NSW Cup saw him sidelined for an extended period before returning via North Sydney's NSW Cup side saw him re-included with two rounds to go. Since then, he hasn't turned back, a great performance against Souths saw him manage the game perfectly, justifying Trent Robinson's decision to drop him in the first place. With Walker shining and giving the Roosters a much needed finals appearance. He appears the man to get the Chooks past Cronulla.

**FAVOURITE:** The Roosters are narrow favourites on account of their recent form.

**MY TIP:** This game is the hardest of the week to tip. Both sides are extremely ill-disciplined at times. Which you wouldn't have guessed after Grant Atkins gave a 14-4 penalty count against the Roosters last time they played. Fortunately, that won't happen this time. Both sides are in good form and can play enterprising footy. But, I see the Roosters with just enough star power to run away with victory in the end. Roosters by 6.



## BROADCAST

WATCH	NINE NETWORK, 9NOW, FOX LEAGUE, KAYO SPORTS
LISTEN	ABC SPORT, MIX CANBERRA, CHECK GUIDES FOR OTHERS
READ	<a href="#">LIVE BLOG - LEAGUEUNLIMITED.COM</a>

## HEAD TO HEAD: 1988 - 2023

	TOTAL	NEWCASTLE	CANBERRA	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	56	25	29	2
McD. JONES	24	15	8	1
FINALS (never met)	0	0	0	0

## LAST FIVE MEETINGS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2021	Round 20	NEWCASTLE 34-24	Suncorp Stadium	-
2022	Round 15	CANBERRA 20-18	GIO Stadium Canberra	12,457
2022	Round 23	CANBERRA 28-22	McDonald Jones Stdm	16,768
2023	Round 4	NEWCASTLE 24-14	McDonald Jones Stdm	15,106
2023	Round 22	NEWCASTLE 28-6	GIO Stadium Canberra	15,487

## BIGGEST WINS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2002	Round 4	NEWCASTLE 52-6	EnergyAustralia Stdm	17,256
1994	Round 18	CANBERRA 52-16	Marathon Stadium	22,945

## THINGS TO KNOW

- Dominic YOUNG will play his 50th NRL game
- Kalyn PONGA has 47 NRL tries
- Raiders have won 5 of their last 8 games against the Knights at McDonald Jones Stadium.
- The Knights last home final game (and consequently last home final win) was in 2006.

## FORM - LAST THREE

	ROUND 25	ROUND 26	ROUND 27
NEWCASTLE	SOUTH SYDNEY W 29-10	CRONULLA W 32-6	ST GEO ILLA W 32-12
CANBERRA	CANTERBURY W 36-24	BRISBANE L 18-29	CRONULLA L 6-24

## WHAT'S NEXT

WINNER Away Semi Final in Week 2, v loser of Penrith-Warriors  
LOSER Eliminated

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# THE PREVIEW

with Robert CROSBY

Seventeen years in the making for Newcastle

The Newcastle Knights will be looking to create history on Sunday afternoon when they host an elimination final against the Canberra Raiders at McDonald Jones Stadium.

Hosting their first final on home soil since the twilight of Andrew Johns' career in 2006, the Newcastle Knights will be hoping to record their tenth consecutive win, surpassing the record set by the Malcolm Reilly coached side back in 1995.

Coming into September as arguably the form team of the premiership, coach Adam O'Brien will welcome back all the players rested from last week's 32-12 win over the Dragons, along with halfback Jackson Hastings following three weeks on the sidelines with a lower leg injury.

Holding a strong record over the Raiders with five wins from seven matches since O'Brien took charge in 2020, the Knights have impressed with a 75 per cent success rate at home this season. Winning 13 out of 29 finals matches dating back to 1992 - including three of the five finals contested in Newcastle previously - the Knights have lost all three finals played under O'Brien during the COVID-impacted years.

Going from top four contenders to barely scraping into the finals in eighth position over the past two months, the Canberra Raiders will need to stage an ambush for the ages to have any chance of progressing beyond Sunday evening.

Qualifying for the finals in dismal form with two uninspiring wins over the Tigers and Bulldogs from their last seven matches, coach Ricky Stuart has been forced to reshuffle his squad after Sebastian Kris was sent-off and

suspended in the wake of last Sunday's 24-6 loss to the Sharks. James Schiller will start on the wing for only his fourth game for the season, while Hohepa Puru has been named at lock forward after being elevated into the starting side for his debut last week.

Holding a near average form line in finals football with 26 wins from 54 appearances since 1987, the Raiders have never been eliminated in the first week of the finals since the revised top eight system was implemented in 2012.

Boasting an optimistic record in Newcastle with three wins and a draw from six visits during Stuart's decade at the helm, the Raiders hold a 50 per cent record in away matches this season.

**WHO TO WATCH:** Lining up for the 15th time in finals football to stand as Newcastle's most experienced campaigner, the Knights will be looking for Dane Gagai to deliver on his reputation as a big game player. Returning to the line-up after resting up last weekend, the 32-year-old will play a vital role in getting the Knights on the front foot by taking runs early in sets as part of a lethal back five yardage strategy that has been instrumental to the side's recent success. Electing to leave Newcastle during the club's lean years in the hopes of winning a premiership with South Sydney, the prodigal centre's return may be the game-breaking difference needed for the Knights to achieve their first finals win in a decade.

Regarded as one of the most formidable forwards in the game today, Canberra will be looking for an inspirational performance from Joseph Tapine on Sunday afternoon. Tasked with the responsibility of leading a forward pack missing representative duo Josh Papalii and Corey Horsburgh, the 29-year-old New Zealander has performed solidly in 11 finals previously. Beginning his career in Newcastle before going on to become one of Canberra's best players over eight impressive seasons, the Raiders will need nothing less than excellence from Tapine to remain in the premiership race.

**FAVOURITE:** The Knights will start as short-priced favourites off the back of nine straight wins leading in September.

**MY TIP:** Few teams have ridden a wave of momentum leading into the finals quite like the Newcastle Knights. Playing with momentum and the support of an entire community behind them, Sunday shapes as a day that will live long in the history of the club. Knights by 14.

# THE WRAP NRL 2023 ROUND 27



BRISBANE	22	-	32	MELBOURNE
	12	HT	14	
	5	PENS	4	
Jordan PEREIRA	2	T	2	Grant ANDERSON
Thomas FLEGLER			2	Sualauvi FAALOGO
				Ryan PAPHUYZEN
				Reimis SMITH
Josh ROGERS	5/5	G	4/6	Ryan PAPHUYZEN
		BIN		Reimis SMITH
Tristan SAILOR	1	FB	1	Ryan PAPHUYZEN
Corey OATES	2	W	18	Grant ANDERSON
Jesse ARTHARS	3	C	3	Justin OLAM
Delouise HOETER	4	C	4	Young TONUMAIPEA
Jordan PEREIRA	5	W	5	Reimis SMITH
Josh ROGERS	6	FE	6	Jayden NIKORIMA
Jock MADDEN	7	HB	7	Tyran WISHART
Thomas FLEGLER (c)	8	FR	8	Tariq SIMS
Tyson SMOOTHY	9	HK	9	Bronson GARLICK
Corey JENSEN	10	FR	10	Tepai MOEROA
Brendan PIAKURA	11	2R	11	Chris LEWIS
Jordan RIKI	12	2R	17	Jack HOWARTH
Keenan PALASIA	13	L	13	Josh KING
Blake MOZER	14	B	14	Sualauvi FAALOGO
Cory PAIX	15	B	15	Alec MacDONALD
Xavier WILLISON	16	B	16	Aaron PENE
Martin TAUPAU	17	B	19	Joe CHAN
Kevin WALTERS		COACH		Craig BELLAMY

Venue
Suncorp Stadium Milton, QLD Yuggera-Turrbal
Kickoff
Thu 31 Aug 7:50PM
Referee
Ashley KLEIN
Crowd
43,271

## STORM CONTINUE BRONCOS HOODOO AS ROOKIE FULLBACKS SHINE

Despite both sides resting a host of their stars, the Broncos and Storm still turned on a very entertaining and high quality contest, capped by stellar performances from each sides rookie fullbacks - Melbourne's Sualauvi Faalogo and Brisbane's Tristan Sailor.

Brisbane opened the scoring after just 3 minutes when Tyson Smoothy sent a crash ball to Thomas Flegler who crashed over through no defence for a try. Joshua Rogers converted. The Broncos extended their lead in the 12th minute when Tristan Sailor threw a long ball to the unmarked Jordan Pereira, but the winger had to stop and turn to catch it before he stumbled his way to the line and eventually fell over the line to score. Rogers converted from the sideline.

Melbourne got themselves into the contest in the 18th minute when Jayden Nikorima's grubber into the Broncos in goal, was pounced on by Grant Anderson. Ryan Papenhuyzen failed to convert. Just five minutes later, Nikorima sent a great ball to Anderson to put him away down the sideline and the winger looked certain to have scored, but his foot touched the sideline before got the ball down. Anderson snapped up an intercept and ran 70 metres to score a good try in the 33rd minute. Papenhuyzen converted and the Broncos lead had been reduced from 12 to 2.

Anderson was again involved just a few minutes later when he struggled to get his arms free in a tackle, then he got a great offload away to Sualauvi Faalogo who got into space, then linked with Papenhuyzen who headed for the corner before dishing back to Faalogo who scored a great try. Papenhuyzen failed to convert from the sideline. At halftime, the Storm held a narrow 14-12 lead.

The Broncos wasted no time to reclaim the lead in the second half, when Sailor cleanly caught an attacking bomb and then flicked a brilliant ball out to Pereira who scored in the corner. Rogers converted from the sideline.

Rogers landed a penalty goal a few minutes later to give the Broncos a 20-14 lead.

The Storm hit back in the 54th minute when Tyran Wishart scooted, dummied, got into space, drew Sailor and then sent a ball to Papenhuyzen in support who scores a good try. Papenhuyzen converted his try to get the scores levelled again.

Shortly after, a magnificent kick return by Sailor saw him get out of his own in-goal area and then produce some glorious broken field running before eventually being tackled just past halfway by Reimis Smith, who holds on to the tackle for too long, resulting in him being sin binned. Rogers kicked another penalty goal to give the Broncos a 22-20 lead with 19 minutes remaining in the game. Just over a minute after Smith returned to the field, he received a good ball and raced to the corner and just managed to get to the line for a try, despite the attention of three defenders. Papenhuyzen nailed the sideline conversion.

In the 72nd minute Faalogo received the ball on the left side, deep inside the Broncos half, he drifted left, shaped to pass to his winger, but then sliced through to score out wide. Papenhuyzen landed another sideline conversion to give the Storm a 32-22 lead. Tariq Sims (held up), Bronson Garlic (dropped ball) and Corey Oates (forward pass) all were denied tries in the final 8 minutes, closing out a highly entertaining game.

### LEAGUEUNLIMITED.COM PLAYERS OF THE MATCH:

3 points - Tristan Sailor  
2 points - Tepai Moeroa  
1 points - Sualauvi Faalogo

Match updated and wrap written by Andrew FERGUSON



MANLY	54	-	12	WESTS TIGERS
	26	HT	6	
	4	PENS	5	
Toluta'u KOULA	2	T		Asu KEPAOA
Jason SAAB	2			Apisai KOROISAU
Ethan BULLEMOR				
Gordon CHAN KUM TONG				
Daly CHERRY-EVANS				
Haumole OLAKAU'ATU				
Jake TRBOJEVIC				
Raymond TUAIMALO VAEGA				
Daly CHERRY-EVANS	7/10	G	2/2	Apisai KOROISAU
Toluta'u KOULA	1	FB	1	Jahreem BULA
Jason SAAB	2	W	14	Asu KEPAOA
Brad PARKER	3	C	3	Triston REILLY
Morgan HARPER	4	C	4	Josh FELEDY
Raymond TUAIMALO VAEGA	5	W	5	Junior TUPOU
Jakob ARTHUR	6	FE	6	Daine LAURIE
Daly CHERRY-EVANS (c)	7	HB	7	Apisai KOROISAU (c)
Toafofoa SIPLEY	8	FR	8	Alex TWAL
Lachlan CROKER	9	HK	9	Jake SIMPKIN
Sean KEPPIE	10	FR	10	David KLEMMER
Haumole OLAKAU'ATU	11	2R	11	Isaiah PAPALI'I
Ben TRBOJEVIC	12	2R	12	Shawn BLORE
Jake TRBOJEVIC	13	L	16	Fonua POLE
Gordon CHAN KUM TONG	14	B	13	Justin MATAMUA
Dean MATTERSON	15	B	15	Kit LAULILII
Aaron WOODS	16	B	17	Alex SEYFARTH
Ethan BULLEMOR	17	B	18	Talyn DA SILVA
Anthony SEIBOLD		COACH		Tim SHEENS

Venue
4 Pines Park Brookvale, NSW Cammeraygal
Kickoff
Fri 1 Sep 6:00PM
Referee
Belinda SHARPE
Crowd
16,503

## MANLY HAND THE WESTS TIGERS AN END OF SEASON SHELLACKING

The Sea Eagles show lots of pride in their jersey by handing the Wests Tigers their second-biggest loss of the season with a 54-12 win.

The Manly-Warringah Sea Eagles came out firing, with fullback Tolutau Koula going over for the first four-pointer of the game in the first minute. It looked like they were going to go back-to-back through Brad Parker, however, a dropped ball saw the Wests Tigers get their first proper use of the ball in the fifth minute. Not long after, Wests Tigers captain, Api Korisoau, got the Wests Tigers on the board after a Manly knock-on. Scores were squared at 6 a piece after Api converted his own try.

After some solid end-to-end footy, Manly was the next to score with Koula getting his double in the 19th minute thanks to a linebreak and quick play the ball from the youngest Trbojevic brother. DCE was able to convert his second to give the Sea Eagles a 12-6 lead.

Some messy attack and poor ball handling saw not much happen until the Sea Eagles eventually extended their lead through winger, Jason Saab, who ran in two tries in two minutes. This pushed Manly out by 14 points with 7 minutes left of the first half, but they weren't finished with adding to the scoreboard before the break. In the 40th minute, Ethan Bullemor, crossed for his first try of the 2023 season, getting him off the nudie run at the last minute!

Manly started the second half almost as good as the first, however, Jakob Arthur bounced the ball. It didn't take long

though before Manly were the first to score through Haumole Olakau'atu - who had been in everything up until this point, except for bagging his own four-pointer. Although he was surrounded by Wests Tigers jerseys, it didn't look like he had to work too hard to get the ball down over the line - showing how poor the Tigers' defence was up to this point in the game.

Between the 57th and 67th minutes of the game, Manly ran in four unanswered tries, just completely toying with the Wests Tigers side. The first over the line was Milestone Man, Jake Trbojevic, who was gifted a try by his captain. Five minutes later, winger Ray Tuaimalo-Vaega scored his first for the night before crowd favourite, Gordon Chan Kum Tong, added his name to the scoresheet with another gifted try, this time from Saab. The Manly captain decided he wasn't going to end the night without his own try, considering he'd given one to Jurbo, and crossed in the 67th minute to blow out the score to 54-6.

It was beginning to look like the Tigers weren't going to get much more of the ball before the final whistle as Manly were just throwing it around for fun, but by some miracle, Asu Kepaoa was able to get the ball down at the end of an acrobatic jump and King Korisoau absolutely NAILED the sideline conversion. Unfortunately, it wasn't quite enough and the Tigers just couldn't get the 42 points they needed in the last 90 seconds!

The 2023 season is now over for both sides, with neither making the top 8.

### LEAGUEUNLIMITED.COM PLAYERS OF THE MATCH:

3 points - Tolutau Koula  
2 points - Haumole Olakau'atu  
1 points - Jake Trbojevic

Match updated and wrap written by Kelly HOLLIS



SOUTH SYDNEY		12	-	26	SYDNEY	
	6	HT		10		
	5	PENS		6		
Michael CHEE-KAM		T			Corey ALLAN	
Cameron MURRAY					Junior PAUGA	
					Billy SMITH	
					James TEDESCO	
					Sam WALKER	
Lachlan ILIAS	2/2	G		3/6	Joseph-Aukuso SUAALI'I	
Blake TAAFFE	1	FB		1	James TEDESCO (c)	
Alex JOHNSTON	2	W		21	Junior PAUGA	
Isaiah TASS	3	C		3	Billy SMITH	
Campbell GRAHAM	4	C		18	Corey ALLAN	
Izaac THOMPSON	5	W		5	Joseph-Aukuso SUAALI'I	
Cody WALKER	6	FE		6	Luke KEARY	
Lachlan ILIAS	7	HB		7	Sam WALKER	
Tevita TATOLA	8	FR		15	Egan BUTCHER	
Damien COOK	9	HK		9	Brandon SMITH	
Shaq MITCHELL	10	FR		10	Lindsay COLLINS	
Keaton KOLAMATANGI	11	2R		11	Joshua WONG	
Michael CHEE-KAM	12	2R		12	Nat BUTCHER	
Cameron MURRAY (c)	13	L		13	Victor RADLEY	
Jai ARROW	14	B		8	Fletcher BAKER	
Tallis DUNCAN	15	B		14	Sandon SMITH	
Hame SELE	16	B		16	Terrell MAY	
Davy MOALE	17	B		17	Angus CRICHTON	
Jason DEMETRIOU		COACH			Trent ROBINSON	

Venue
Accor Stadium Sydney Olympic Park, NSW Wann-gal
Kickoff
Fri 1 Sep 8:00PM
Referee
Adam GEE
Crowd
36,263

## ROOSTERS STILL CROWING, BUNNIES MEEKLY EXIT

The Sydney Roosters have produced slightly better polish in execution to record a tough victory over bitter rivals Souths, to keep their finals chances alive for one more day.

Both sides entered this match knowing that a loss would end their season immediately, while a win would keep them in the game, depending on results in 2 other games yet to be played.

The Roosters opened the scoring in just the fifth minute of the game when Sam Walker kicked to the right corner. Alex Johnston juggled the ball three times, eventually losing it into the Rabbitohs in-goal and Corey Allan planted it down for a try. Joseph-Aukuso Suaalii failed to convert the try.

Souths took the lead in the 21st minute when Cameron Murray stormed onto a short ball, close to the Roosters line and he burst through a big gap to score near the posts. Lachlan Ilias to give Souths a 2 point lead.

5 minutes later, Suaalii landed a penalty goal to level the scores.

Just before the half time siren sounded, Walker sent a beautiful long ball out to Fetalaiga Pauga, who dived and scored in the corner. Suaalii failed to convert from the sideline.

The Roosters held a narrow 10-6 lead at the break.

6 minutes into the second half saw Pauga receive a lovely ball from Luke Keary, then raced down the sideline before throwing a poor pass inside to James Tedesco, who had to stop

and turn to catch the ball before a determined run through the defence saw him somehow get to the line to score a good try. Suaalii converted.

In the 57th minute, Michael Chee Kam crashed over between two defenders to score. Ilias converts to get the Rabbitohs back within a try.

Both sides were both determined and ill-disciplined as they worked to score again and manufacture a victory in the dying stages of the game. In the 70th minute it was the Roosters who took the opportunity, when Campbell Graham missed a tackle on Billy Smith and the Roosters centre crossed to score. Suaalii failed to convert, but the Roosters now held an 8 point lead with just 8 minutes left.

Five minutes before the end of the game, Sam Walker went to the line, grubbered for himself, then the ball bounced off the outstretched hand of Jai Arrow and deflected back into Walker's hands and he dived over to score, before a brief scuffle ensued. Once the players calmed down, Suaalii converted.

From the restart, Egan Butcher made a break down the sideline and very nearly went the distance but was tackled 12 metres shy of the Rabbitohs line. Neither side managed to add to their respective scores and at fulltime, the Roosters were victorious 26-12.

### LEAGUEUNLIMITED.COM PLAYERS OF THE MATCH:

3 points - Sam Walker  
2 points - Lindsay Collins  
1 points - James Tedesco

Match updated and wrap written by Andrew FERGUSON



Venue
Suncorp Stadium Milton, QLD Yuggera-Turrbal
Kickoff
Sat 2 Sep 3:00PM
Referee
Gerard SUTTON
Crowd
35,438

## DOLPHINS SIGN OFF IN STYLE WITH ONE MORE WIN

The Dolphins won their ninth game of the NRL season in a 34-12 win over New Zealand Warriors in front of 35,438 fans at Brisbane Stadium on Saturday afternoon.

It has been a pass mark first year for the Dolphins who had plenty of memorable moments along the way to nine wins. The Dolphins put the game to bed with a 22-0 first half which was orchestrated by Sean O'Sullivan.

On a bright afternoon, the Dolphins looked to finish on a high. The hosts struck first through winger Jack Bostock who finished off a quick short side play with a typical winger finish.

The Dolphins had a few opportunities to double their delight. Tesi Niu went close but the final pass was forward then Sean O'Sullivan scooped it up from dummy-half and sent it forward.

They lacked polish on their sets which cost them points. Halfback O'Sullivan took it upon himself, sold the Warriors defense a dummy and sliced through to make it 12-0 for the Dolphins.

The hosts were in fine fettle to end the first half. Another bust started by O'Sullivan had them in prime position. Jarrod

DOLPHINS		34	-	10	WARRIORS	
	22	HT		0		
	5	PENS		2		
Jack BOSTOCK		T			Freddy LUSSICK	
Kenny BROMWICH					Marcelo MONTOYA	
Jamayne ISAAKO						
Isaiya KATO						
Sean O'SULLIVAN						
Max PLATH						
Jamayne ISAAKO	5/6	G		1/2	Adam POMPEY	
Hamiso TABUAI-FIDOW	1	FB		1	Taine TUAUPIKI	
Jamayne ISAAKO	2	W		2	Edward KOSI	
Tesi NIU	3	C		3	Rocco BERRY	
Valynce TE WHARE	18	C		4	Adam POMPEY	
Jack BOSTOCK	5	W		5	Marcelo MONTOYA	
Kodi NIKORIMA	6	FE		6	Te Maire MARTIN	
Sean O'SULLIVAN	7	HB		7	Ronald VOLKMAN	
Jesse BROMWICH (c)	8	FR		8	Bunty AFOA	
Harrison GRAHAM	9	HK		9	Freddy LUSSICK	
Mark NICHOLLS	10	FR		10	Mitchell BARNETT	
Felise KAUFUSI	11	2R		11	Joshua CURRAN	
Connelly LEMUELU	12	2R		12	Marata NIUKORE	
Kenny BROMWICH	13	L		13	Dylan WALKER (c)	
Jarrod WALLACE	14	B		16	Bayley SIRONEN	
Isaiya KATO	15	B		17	Tom ALE	
Max PLATH	16	B		18	Kalani GOING	
Herman ESE'ESE	17	B		23	Paul ROACHE	
Wayne BENNETT		COACH			Andrew WEBSTER	

Wallace produced a superb inside ball for Isaiya Kato to dive over.

It isn't a Dolphins game without Jamayne Isaako on the scorelist. Hamiso Tabuai-Fidow opened up the Warriors defense then the winger who will by top pointscorer and possibly try-scorer touched down for a 22-0 lead.

The second half was an arm wrestle for the first 15 minutes. Warriors did get themselves on the board through Freddy Lussick. The substitute hooker scooted over from close range.

Warriors went back-to-back and got the crowd back in the contest. Josh Curran broke through from the kick-off and it was finished off by Marcelo Montoya who made it 22-10.

The Dolphins absorbed the Warriors best shot and put the game to bed. Kodi Nikorima weaved around the defense before he laid one the four-pointer to Max Plath to get his first ever in the NRL.

It has been a good season for the Dolphins and they signed off in style. Tesi Niu sliced through the tired Warriors line and found Kenny Bromwich who enjoyed himself a four-pointer.

### LEAGUEUNLIMITED.COM PLAYERS OF THE MATCH:

3 points - Jarrod Wallace  
2 points - Sean O'Sullivan  
1 points - Kenny Bromwich

Match updated and wrap written by Justin DAVIES



PENRITH	44	-	12	NORTH QLD
	26	HT	0	
	7	PENS	4	
Brian TO'O	2	T		Zac LAYBUTT
Sunia TURUVA	2			Griffin NEAME
Nathan CLEARY				
Stephen CRICHTON				
Liam MARTIN				
Luke SOMMERTON				
Nathan CLEARY	6/8	G	2/2	Scott DRINKWATER
		BIN		Reece ROBSON
Dylan EDWARDS	1	FB	1	Scott DRINKWATER
Sunia TURUVA	2	W	2	Kyle FELDT
Izack TAGO	19	C	3	Zac LAYBUTT
Stephen CRICHTON	4	C	4	Peta HIKU
Brian TO'O	5	W	5	Murray TAULAGI
Jack COGGER	6	FE	6	Tom DEARDEN
Nathan CLEARY (c)	7	HB	7	Chad TOWNSEND (c)
Moses LEOTA	8	FR	8	Jordan McLEAN
Luke SOMMERTON	9	HK	9	Reece ROBSON
James FISHER-HARRIS	10	FR	15	Coen HESS
Luke GARNER	21	2R	11	Luciano LEILUA
Liam MARTIN	12	2R	12	Heilum LUKI
Isaah YEO	13	L	13	Reuben COTTER
Tyrone PEACHEY	3	B	10	Jason TAUMALOLO
Lindsay SMITH	15	B	14	Jake GRANVILLE
Spencer LENIU	16	B	16	Griffin NEAME
Zac HOSKING	17	B	17	Kulikefu FINEFEUIAKI
Ivan CLEARY		COACH		Todd PAYTEN

Venue
Bluebet Stadium Penrith, NSW Dharug
Kickoff
Sat 2 Sep 5:30PM
Referee
Todd SMITH
Crowd
21,525



ST GEO ILLA	12	-	32	NEWCASTLE
	6	HT	16	
	5	PENS	3	
Ben HUNT		T	2	Dominic YOUNG
Mikaele RAVALAWA				Fa'amanu BROWN
				Greg MARZHEW
				Jacob SAIFITI
				Enari TUALA
Zac LOMAX	2/2	G	3/4	Lachlan MILLER
			1/3	Tyson GAMBLE
Blake LAWRIE		BIN		Lachlan MILLER
Tyrell SLOAN	1	FB	1	Lachlan MILLER
Mathew FEAGAI	2	W	2	Dominic YOUNG
Moses SULI	3	C	3	Enari TUALA
Zac LOMAX	4	C	4	Bradman BEST
Mikaele RAVALAWA	5	W	5	Greg MARZHEW
Talatau AMONE	6	FE	6	Tyson GAMBLE
Ben HUNT (c)	7	HB	7	Adam CLUNE
Francis MOLO	8	FR	8	Jacob SAIFITI (c)
Connor MUHLEISEN	9	HK	9	Fa'amanu BROWN
Blake LAWRIE	10	FR	16	Jack HETHERINGTON
Billy BURNS	11	2R	11	Dylan LUCAS
Daniel RUSSELL	12	2R	12	Brodie JONES
Jack DE BELIN	13	L	13	Adam ELLIOTT
Jacob LIDDLE	14	B	14	Riley JONES
Michael MOLO	15	B	15	Daniel SAIFITI
Ben MURDOCH-MASILA	16	B	17	Mat CROKER
Ryan COUCHMAN	17	B	19	Oryn KEELEY
Ryan CARR		COACH		Adam O'BRIEN

Venue
Netstrata Jubilee Stadium Carlton, NSW Bidjigal
Kickoff
Sat 2 Sep 7:35PM
Referee
Ben CUMMINS
Crowd
10,137

## PENRITH RETAIN MINOR PREMIERSHIP WITH THUMPING OF COWBOYS

The Penrith Panthers secure their third J.J. Giltinan Shield in four years with a try-scoring masterclass over the North Queensland Cowboys.

The sold-out sign went up outside Bluebet Stadium on Saturday evening when the Penrith Panthers took on the North Queensland Cowboys for their final regular season game of the year. It didn't take long for the Premiership favourites to get on the board with Stephen Crichton going over in the fifth minute. A metre-chewing break from Sunia Turuva helped the Panthers gain great field position before a superb pass from a tripping Jack Cogger saw Crichton add another four-pointer to his tally. The next 15 minutes saw a lot of end-to-end football with both sides even with possession but the Cowboys' completion dropped to 65%, with a number of errors including an error from Coen Hess that saw all of the momentum that the Cowboys had been building deflate. In the 22nd minute of the game, Stephen Crichton showed some incredible aerial skills with an absolutely phenomenal leap to tap the ball back. Jack Cogger was in the right place at the right time and was able to get the ball out to a fast-moving Sunia Turuva to cross for the Panthers' second try in the corner and Cogger's second try assist of the night. The kick was from almost the same place as the first, but this time Nathan Cleary made no mistake to give the Panthers a 10-point lead. Only a minute later the Cowboys were caught offside and gifted the Panthers fantastic field position. As we've seen many times before, handing the Penrith side field position never ends well and Jack Cogger linked with Liam Martin for his third try assist of the night, this time on the other side of the field. The crowd only had to wait another 5 minutes before the Penrith Panthers added even more points to their tally. Another error from the Cowboys gave the Panthers the scrum feed inside the Cowboy's territory and it didn't take long for Nathan Cleary to get his first try assist, sending his winger Brian To'o over in the corner. To'o didn't have it easy though, literally carrying three Cowboys across the line with him. Cleary's first attempt at goal from the other side of the field was waved away and the score was 20 - 0 after 34 minutes. The Mountain Men weren't ready to go into half-time and when Kyle Feldt tackled Sunia Turuva in the air, the Panthers were once again given a full set on their 10-metre line. After his first attempt to get across cross the line was denied by the Cowboys' defence, young hooker, Luke Sommerton, scored his first NRL try in his second game with a superb scoot from dummy half. Cleary didn't miss from almost right in front sending the

Penrith side into the sheds with a 26 - 0 lead.

The second half started very differently to the first with the Cowboys scoring two quick tries to bring the score to 26 - 12 after 50 minutes. Their first try came through Griffin Neame and their second from Zac Laybutt. In the lead-up to the second try, almost every player in the team touched the ball - twice - as they went coast-to-coast and back again before Laybutt broke the line and got the ball down. Drinkwater converted both of the tries to help reduce the deficit they were chasing. It was as if the two sides switched during the break because the Cowboys were throwing everything at the Panthers and the Penrith side seemed to lack the same spark that they had in the opening 40 minutes. Unfortunately, it wasn't long before more poor handling from the Cowboys saw the Panthers get the ball back and throw a lot at the Cowboys' line defence. The defence could only hold on for so long before we saw Sunia Turuva flirt with the sideline before fending off Kyle Feldt for his second try of the game. The Panthers were almost awarded a penalty try when Reece Robson grabbed at Dylan Edwards' jersey while he was attempting to score, but the fact that Kyle Feldt was in close proximity meant that it was only a professional foul and Robson missed 10 out of the last 13 minutes of the game. It didn't take long for the Panthers to take advantage of having an extra man when Nathan Cleary reached out and planted the ball. The referee sent it up as a no try, but the Bunker was happy that the ball both touched the line and wasn't lost, so Cleary was able to add his own try to the growing tally as well as converting it to restore the Panthers' 26-point lead. The Panthers weren't finished with the points when Crichton intercepted the ball 20 metres out from their line and saw the side run the whole length of the field on a zero tackle. At the end of the Crichton run, it was the lovely hands from Dylan Edwards that sent his winger through as Brian To'o strolled across for his second try of the night. By this point in the game, Sweet Caroline was ringing out across the stadium and the Mexican wave made it through at least 5 rounds! The Panthers crowd were enjoying every minute of what their team was putting on. When the final buzzer rang, the Panthers had thumped the Cowboys 44 - 12 and were presented with the J.J. Giltinan Shield in front of a huge crowd. The boys from the base of the mountains will host the New Zealand Warriors in week 1 of the NRL Final Series in a game that will no doubt be one not to miss!

**LEAGUEUNLIMITED.COM PLAYERS OF THE MATCH:**  
3 points - Stephen Crichton  
2 points - Jack Cogger  
1 points - Sunia Turuva

## YOUNG DOUBLE GIVES KNIGHTS COMFORTABLE WIN

Newcastle winger Dominic Young has produced a pair of extraordinary acrobatic tries in the final 5 minutes of the game to give the Knights a comfortable 20 point victory over a mostly determined but non-threatening Dragons outfit.

The Knights wasted almost no time, (115 seconds to be precise) before they got on the board, when Jacob Saifiti spun out of a tackle close to the Dragons line, and then strolled over to score a far too easy try. Lachlan Miller converted from almost in front. They extended their lead further in the 7th minute when Tyson Gamble skipped out of a feeble tackle effort, ran 35 metres before passes inside to Enari Tuala in support, who raced away to score under the posts. Miller converted again. After 9 minutes the Knights had a 12-0 lead.

To the Dragons credit, they smartened up and were rewarded in the 17th minute when Ben Hunt performed a chip and chase, then regathered and scored a glorious solo try. Zac Lomax converted from in front. The Knights replied in the 32nd minute when Greg Marzhew steamrolled over the top of Mikaele Ravalawa and scored a powerful try. Miller failed to convert from the sideline. At halftime the Knights had a 16-6 lead.

The second half started much like the first, with the Knights crossing within the first few minutes, this time where Fa'amanu Brown was tackled low, close to the Dragons line and he fell forwards and gets the ball down on the line for a strong try. Miller converted from almost in

front. In the 66th minute, it looked like Gamble had scored a brilliant solo try. He shaped to kick on the last, then ran before putting in a chip which Riley Jones regathered and passed back to Gamble all in one motion as he was tackled by the defender. Gamble then raced 40 metres to score. The Bunker then ruled that Jones was narrowly in front of Gamble when he kicked the ball. No try. In just over a minute later, the Bunker was again called upon to review another try, this time at the other end of the field. Ravalawa somehow grounded the ball while tackled in the air over the sideline. Lomax converted from the sideline to reduce the margin to 10. Shortly after, Miller was sin binned for tackling a player without the ball and three minutes later, Blake Lawrie was also binned for the same reason. Gamble slotted a penalty goal.

In the 75th minute Dominic Young scored the first of two spectacular tries. His first saw him hit by Suli, who slinged him upside down, yet Young still managed to stretch out and plant the ball in a remarkable effort. Gamble failed to convert from the sideline. Three minutes later he scored again, this time, the tackle saw him flying feet first over the sideline, yet he still managed to get the ball down for a try. Miller failed to convert from the sideline, but the Knights had done enough to run away with a 32-12 victory.

**LEAGUEUNLIMITED.COM PLAYERS OF THE MATCH:**  
3 points - Tyson Gamble  
2 points - Dominic Young  
1 points - Jacob Saifiti

Match updated and wrap written by Andrew FERGUSON

Match updated and wrap written by Kelly HOLLIS



GOLD COAST	34	-	30	CANTERBURY
	18	HT	6	
	3	PENS	2	
Kieran FORAN	3	T	3	Josh ADDO-CARR
AJ BRIMSON				Kurtis MORRIN
Alofiana KHAN-PEREIRA				Blake WILSON
Kruise LEEMING				
Aaron SCHOUPP	5/6	G	5/5	Matt BURTON
Keano KINI	14	FB	1	Hayze PERHAM
Alofiana KHAN-PEREIRA	2	W	2	Blake WILSON
Brian KELLY	3	C	3	Jake AVERILLO
AJ BRIMSON	1	C	4	Paul ALAMOTI
Aaron SCHOUPP	4	W	5	Josh ADDO-CARR
Kieran FORAN	6	FE	6	Matt BURTON
Thomas WEAVER	7	HB	7	Toby SEXTON
Moeaki FOTUAIKA	8	FR	8	Luke THOMPSON
Kruise LEEMING	15	HK	9	Reed MAHONEY
Joe STIMSON	16	FR	10	Liam KNIGHT
David FIFITA	11	2R	11	Viliame KIKAU
Klese HAAS	12	2R	12	Corey WADDELL
Tino FAASUJAMALEAUI (c)	13	L	22	Ryan SUTTON
Jaimin JOLLIFFE	10	B	13	Max KING
Jacob ALICK	17	B	14	Kyle FLANAGAN
Izscak FAASUJAMALEAUI	18	B	16	Kurtis MORRIN
Joseph VUNA	19	B	17	Jayden OKUNBOR
Jim LENIHAN		COACH		Cameron CIRALDO

Venue
Cbus Super Stadium Robina, QLD Yugambah
Kickoff
Sun 3 Sep 2:00PM
Referee
Kasey BADGER
Crowd
14,942



CRONULLA	24	-	6	CANBERRA
	4	HT	6	
	6	PENS	3	
Sione KATOA		T		Jordan RAPANA
Ronaldo MULITALO				
Jesse RAMIEN				
Braydon TRINDALL				
Jack WILLIAMS				
Braydon TRINDALL	2/5	G	1/1	Jamal FOGARTY
		OFF		Sebastian KRIS
Connor TRACEY	1	FB	1	Jordan RAPANA
Sione KATOA	2	W	2	Sebastian KRIS
Jesse RAMIEN	3	C	3	Jack WIGHTON
Siosifa TALAKAI	4	C	4	Matthew TIMOKO
Ronaldo MULITALO	5	W	5	Nick COTRIC
Braydon TRINDALL	6	FE	6	Matt FRAWLEY
Nicho HYNES	7	HB	7	Jamal FOGARTY
Toby RUDDOLF	8	FR	15	Ata MARIOTA
Blayke BRAILEY	9	HK	9	Zac WOOLFORD
Braden HAMLIN-UELE	10	FR	10	Joseph TAPINE
Briton NIKORA	11	2R	11	Hudson YOUNG
Wade GRAHAM (c)	12	2R	12	Elliott WHITEHEAD (c)
Cameron McINNES	13	L	17	Hohepa PURU
Jack WILLIAMS	14	B	8	Emre GULER
Royce HUNT	15	B	14	Tom STARLING
Thomas HAZELTON	16	B	18	Pasami SAULO
Oregon KAUFUSI	20	B	20	Trey MOONEY
Craig FITZGIBBON		COACH		Ricky STUART

Venue
GIO Stadium Canberra Bruce, ACT Ngunnawal
Kickoff
Sun 3 Sep 4:05PM
Referee
Grant ATKINS
Crowd
12,750

## FORAN HAT-TRICK HELPS TITANS DOWN 'DOGS

Kieran Foran scores first career hat-trick as Gold Coast defeat Canterbury 34-30 in a sloppy Sunday afternoon affair at Cbus Super Stadium.

The Gold Coast Titans didn't play their best footy on Sunday afternoon at home but they still did enough to beat Bulldogs. Both sides struggled mightily with their handling and defence but enough moments of individual brilliance got the job done for the Titans. Kieran Foran scored the first two tries of the match slicing open the Bulldogs defence with a couple of solo runs.

The Bulldogs hit back with a strong solo effort by Josh Addo-Carr in the 33rd minute where he made a break in his own half and then beat some lacklustre cover defence to go over and score. AJ Brimson hit back almost immediately in the 37th minute following up some second phase play and beating the fullback nicely to score.

Foran added his third try in the 53rd minute again

another strong show and go to barge over. Foran had five career doubles up to date but this was the first time he has ever crossed for three tries in a match.

Not to be outdone, Addo-Carr added his second and third in the 60th and 71st minute. His third try was a great counter attack as Hayze Perham made a break off the kick return and then chipped for Addo-Carr who juggled the ball off the bounce before regathering to score.

Both teams made a plethora of errors throughout the game, maybe an early peak behind the curtain into what they will be training to fix this offseason. The Bulldogs finished with 14 errors and 47 missed tackles while the Titans had 12 errors and 36 missed tackles. The flowing stream of errors led to plenty of points that would have kept the fans in attendance happy. The Titans finish their season on 9 wins and 14th on the ladder while the Bulldogs will finish 15th.

### LEAGUEUNLIMITED.COM PLAYERS OF THE MATCH:

3 points - Kieran Foran  
2 points - AJ Brimson  
1 points - Josh Addo-Carr

Match updated and wrap written by Nick BOYS

## KRIS SEND-OFF SEES SHARKS SECURE SIXTH

The Cronulla Sharks have secured a home final with a 24-6 victory over the Canberra Raiders 24-6 in a match which saw Sebastian Kris sent from the field for a dangerous tackle.

The Sharks held a 10-6 lead approaching the hour mark when the Raiders outside back was sent from the field for a dangerous tackle on Sione Katoa; the home side, buoyed by their extra man advantage, finished strongly with three late tries to the delight of 12,750 supporters in Wade Graham's final regular season appearance at home.

Jordan Rapana (4th minute) gave the visitors a dream start by outleaping his opposite number Connor Tracey for a try in his 200th NRL game; the 34-year-old outside back became the fourth player alongside Brett Mullins, Jason Croker and Jarrod Croker to score 100 tries for Canberra in first grade. Making the most of field position afforded by a successful challenge, the Sharks responded with Jesse Ramien (15th minute) finishing off a right-side shift close to the sideline.

In a closely fought opening which saw both sides struggle to gain ascendancy, the visitors came closest to adding to the scoreboard with Rapana and Zac Woolford denied by the barest of margins, while a wayward field goal attempt from Matt Frawley as the siren

sounded saw the Raiders take a 6-4 lead to the sheds.

Striking a crucial blow following a powerhouse set which saw Cronulla players dominate through the middle of the field, an inside pass from Nicho Hynes allowed Jack Williams (53rd minute) to put the home side in front for the first time.

With the match poised to go either way heading into the final quarter, a dangerous tackle from Kris on Katoa saw the Canberra winger sent from the field and the Raiders hopes of hosting a home final evaporate. Taking immediate advantage with Braydon Trindall (60th minute) touching down underneath the posts, the Sharks guaranteed a home final when Ronaldo Mulitalo (63rd minute) touched down out wide.

A late try to Katoa (71st minute) saw the Sharks run out winners to give captain Wade Graham one final appearance at PointsBet Stadium next weekend before retirement. Next week, the Sharks will host the Roosters at home in an Elimination Final on Saturday evening, while the Raiders will face the Knights at Newcastle in an Elimination Final on Sunday afternoon.

### LEAGUEUNLIMITED.COM PLAYERS OF THE MATCH:

3 points - Jesse Ramien  
2 points - Nicho Hynes  
1 points - Jack Williams

Match updated and wrap written by Rpb CROSBY

# MATCH REVIEW & JUDICIARY NRL ROUND 27

Player	Club	Grade	Charge	On Who	Base	Offence #	Guilty	Early plea	Plea	Result
Brendan PIAKURA	Brisbane	1	Careless High Tackle	Grant Anderson	\$1500	1st	\$1500	\$1000	Guilty - early plea	\$1000
		1	Dangerous Contact	Sualuvi Faalogo	\$1500	1st	\$1500	\$1000	Guilty - early plea	\$1000
		1	Careless High Tackle	Alec MacDonald	\$1500	1st	\$1500	\$1000	Guilty - early plea	\$1000
Fletcher BAKER	Sydney	1	Dangerous Throw	Cameron Murray	\$1500	1st	\$1500	\$1000	Guilty - early plea	\$1000
Adam ELLIOTT	Newcastle	1	Careless High Tackle	Billy Burns	\$1500	3rd+	2 matches	\$3000	Guilty - early plea	\$3000
Paul ALAMOTI	Canterbury	1	Careless High Tackle	Klese Haas	\$1500	1st	\$1500	\$1000	Guilty - early plea	\$1000
Sebastian KRIS	Canberra	3	Dangerous Throw	Sione Katoa	5 matches	2nd	6 matches	5 matches	Guilty - early plea	5 matches

# Offences counted for the previous twelve months.

^ Denotes 3 year incident free discount

~ Development player - is able to opt for a 1 match suspension instead of monetary fine

# FIXTURES & RESULTS 2023 NRL SEASON

ROUND 1							
Mar 2nd	Thu 8:00pm	Parramatta	12	Melbourne	16	CommBank	17,301
Mar 3rd	Fri 8:00pm	Warriors	20	Newcastle	12	Sky Stadium	16,676
Mar 3rd	Fri 8:05pm	Penrith	12	Brisbane	13	Bluebet	17,125
Mar 4th	Sat 3:00pm	Manly	31	Canterbury	6	4 Pines Park	17,217
Mar 4th	Sat 4:30pm	North Qld	19	Canberra	18	QLD C.B.	19,855
Mar 4th	Sat 7:35pm	Cronulla	18	Souths	27	Pointsbet	12,757
Mar 5th	Sun 3:05pm	Dolphins	28	Sydney	18	Suncorp	32,177
Mar 5th	Sun 6:15pm	Wests Tigers	10	Gold Coast	22	Leichhardt	14,667
Bye: St Geo Illa							
ROUND 2							
Mar 9th	Thu 8:00pm	Penrith	16	Souths	10	Bluebet	16,906
Mar 10th	Fri 6:00pm	Parramatta	26	Cronulla	30	CommBank	16,663
Mar 10th	Fri 7:00pm	Brisbane	28	North Qld	16	Suncorp	43,162
Mar 11th	Sat 3:00pm	Sydney	20	Warriors	12	Allianz	16,267
Mar 11th	Sat 4:30pm	Dolphins	20	Canberra	14	Kayo Stadium	10,023
Mar 11th	Sat 7:35pm	Melbourne	12	Canterbury	26	AAMI Park	17,248
Mar 12th	Sun 4:05pm	Wests Tigers	12	Newcastle	14	Leichhardt	13,214
Mar 12th	Sun 6:15pm	St Geo Illa	32	Gold Coast	18	Netstrata	8,538
Bye: Manly							
ROUND 3							
Mar 16th	Thu 8:00pm	Manly	34	Parramatta	30	4 Pines Park	13,363
Mar 17th	Fri 6:00pm	Newcastle	20	Dolphins	36	McD. Jones	20,093
Mar 17th	Fri 8:00pm	Sydney	20	Souths	18	Allianz	36,639
Mar 18th	Sat 2:00pm	Gold Coast	38	Melbourne	34	Cbus	14,483
Mar 18th	Sat 4:30pm	North Qld	12	Warriors	26	QLD C.B.	17,818
Mar 18th	Sat 6:35pm	Brisbane	40	St Geo Illa	18	Suncorp	26,612
Mar 19th	Sun 4:05pm	Canterbury	26	Wests Tigers	22	Belmore	16,404
Mar 19th	Sun 6:15pm	Canberra	24	Cronulla	20	GIO Stadium	14,134
Bye: Penrith							
ROUND 4							
Mar 23rd	Thu 8:00pm	Parramatta	17	Penrith	16	CommBank	16,342
Mar 24th	Fri 6:00pm	Melbourne	24	Wests Tigers	12	AAMI Park	11,669
Mar 24th	Fri 7:00pm	Dolphins	12	Brisbane	18	Suncorp	51,047
Mar 25th	Sat 4:30pm	North Qld	24	Gold Coast	12	QLD C.B.	16,426
Mar 25th	Sat 7:35pm	Souths	13	Manly	12	Accor	18,379
Mar 26th	Sun 4:00pm	Warriors	16	Canterbury	14	Mt Smart	18,595
Mar 26th	Sun 4:05pm	Newcastle	24	Canberra	14	McD. Jones	15,106
Mar 26th	Sun 6:15pm	St Geo Illa	8	Cronulla	40	Netstrata	15,126
Bye: Sydney							
ROUND 5							
Mar 30th	Thu 8:00pm	Sydney	28	Parramatta	20	Allianz	20,886
Mar 31st	Fri 6:00pm	Canberra	12	Penrith	53	GIO Stadium	15,334
Mar 31st	Fri 8:00pm	Souths	10	Melbourne	18	Accor	11,239
Apr 1st	Sat 3:00pm	Manly	32	Newcastle	32	Glen Willow	9,024
Apr 1st	Sat 5:30pm	St Geo Illa	38	Dolphins	12	WIN Stadium	16,472
Apr 1st	Sat 6:35pm	Brisbane	46	Wests Tigers	12	Suncorp	27,553
Apr 2nd	Sun 4:05pm	Cronulla	30	Warriors	32	Pointsbet	10,878
Apr 2nd	Sun 6:15pm	Canterbury	15	North Qld	14	Accor	9,626
Bye: Gold Coast							
ROUND 6							
Apr 6th	Thu 7:50pm	Melbourne	28	Sydney	8	AAMI Park	16,323
Apr 7th	Fri 4:05pm	Canterbury	16	Souths	50	Accor	35,211
Apr 7th	Fri 8:00pm	North Qld	22	Dolphins	32	QLD C.B.	22,811
Apr 8th	Sat 5:30pm	Penrith	44	Manly	12	Bluebet	20,312
Apr 8th	Sat 7:35pm	Brisbane	14	Canberra	20	Suncorp	31,962
Apr 9th	Sun 4:05pm	Gold Coast	20	St Geo Illa	18	Cbus	12,452
Apr 9th	Sun 6:15pm	Newcastle	34	Warriors	24	McD. Jones	18,007
Apr 10th	Mon 4:00pm	Wests Tigers	22	Parramatta	28	Accor	28,611
Bye: Cronulla							
ROUND 7							
Apr 13th	Thu 7:50pm	Dolphins	14	Souths	36	Suncorp	23,280
Apr 14th	Fri 6:00pm	Cronulla	22	Sydney	12	Pointsbet	11,489
Apr 14th	Fri 8:00pm	Manly	18	Melbourne	8	4 Pines Park	13,573
Apr 15th	Sat 5:00pm	Warriors	22	North Qld	14	Mt Smart	23,695
Apr 15th	Sat 5:30pm	Newcastle	15	Penrith	16	McD. Jones	26,084
Apr 15th	Sat 7:35pm	Gold Coast	26	Brisbane	43	Cbus	26,563
Apr 16th	Sun 2:00pm	Canberra	20	St Geo Illa	14	GIO Stadium	13,817
Apr 16th	Sun 4:05pm	Parramatta	30	Canterbury	4	CommBank	27,655
Bye: Wests Tigers							

ROUND 8							
Apr 20th	Thu 7:50pm	Souths	20	Penrith	18	Accor	19,548
Apr 21st	Fri 7:30pm	Parramatta	16	Brisbane	26	TIO Stadium	11,864
Apr 22nd	Sat 5:30pm	Canterbury	20	Cronulla	33	Accor	12,148
Apr 22nd	Sat 7:35pm	North Qld	18	Newcastle	16	QLD C.B.	17,970
Apr 23rd	Sun 2:00pm	Dolphins	28	Gold Coast	26	Suncorp	22,034
Apr 23rd	Sun 4:05pm	Wests Tigers	16	Manly	22	Campbelltown	10,033
Apr 25th	Tue 4:05pm	Sydney	27	St Geo Illa	26	Allianz	40,191
Apr 25th	Tue 7:00pm	Melbourne	30	Warriors	22	AAMI Park	23,469
Bye: Canberra							
ROUND 9							
Apr 27th	Thu 7:50pm	Cronulla	44	North Qld	6	Pointsbet	8,148
Apr 28th	Fri 6:00pm	Parramatta	43	Newcastle	12	CommBank	15,875
Apr 28th	Fri 8:00pm	Brisbane	6	Souths	32	Suncorp	40,102
Apr 29th	Sat 3:00pm	Canberra	31	Dolphins	30	Wagga	10,445
Apr 29th	Sat 5:30pm	Manly	10	Gold Coast	26	4 Pines Park	10,107
Apr 29th	Sat 7:35pm	Penrith	8	Wests Tigers	12	Carrington	11,055
Apr 30th	Sun 4:00pm	Warriors	0	Sydney	14	Mt Smart	20,395
Apr 30th	Sun 4:05pm	St Geo Illa	16	Canterbury	18	WIN Stadium	16,678
Bye: Melbourne							
ROUND 10							
May 5th	Fri 6:00pm	Canterbury	30	Canberra	34	Suncorp	41,462
May 5th	Fri 8:05pm	Manly	6	Brisbane	32	Suncorp	50,077
May 6th	Sat 3:00pm	Warriors	6	Penrith	18	Suncorp	38,035
May 6th	Sat 5:30pm	Cronulla	16	Dolphins	36	Suncorp	48,068
May 6th	Sat 7:45pm	Melbourne	12	Souths	28	Suncorp	50,183
May 7th	Sun 1:50pm	Wests Tigers	18	St Geo Illa	16	Suncorp	34,568
May 7th	Sun 4:00pm	Sydney	6	North Qld	20	Suncorp	45,085
May 7th	Sun 6:25pm	Gold Coast	26	Parramatta	24	Suncorp	46,835
Bye: Newcastle							
ROUND 11							
May 11th	Thu 7:50pm	Melbourne	24	Brisbane	16	AAMI Park	16,043
May 12th	Fri 6:00pm	Canterbury	12	Warriors	24	Accor	14,294
May 12th	Fri 8:00pm	Penrith	48	Sydney	4	Bluebet	20,255
May 13th	Sat 3:00pm	Souths	20	Wests Tigers	0	Accor	21,013
May 13th	Sat 5:30pm	North Qld	42	St Geo Illa	22	QLD C.B.	17,852
May 13th	Sat 7:35pm	Canberra	26	Parramatta	18	GIO Stadium	17,414
May 14th	Sun 2:00pm	Newcastle	46	Gold Coast	26	McD. Jones	13,064
May 14th	Sun 4:05pm	Manly	14	Cronulla	20	4 Pines Park	10,358
Bye: Dolphins							
ROUND 12							
May 18th	Thu 7:50pm	Brisbane	4	Penrith	15	Suncorp	33,343
May 19th	Fri 6:00pm	St Geo Illa	24	Sydney	22	Netstrata	9,007
May 19th	Fri 8:00pm	Souths	16	Parramatta	36	Allianz	27,432
May 20th	Sat 3:00pm	Cronulla	26	Newcastle	6	C.ex Coffs	10,156
May 20th	Sat 5:30pm	Wests Tigers	66	North Qld	18	Leichhardt	12,247
May 20th	Sat 7:35pm	Dolphins	16	Melbourne	24	Suncorp	28,325
May 21st	Sun 2:00pm	Canterbury	20	Gold Coast	18	Accor	10,815
May 21st	Sun 4:05pm	Canberra	14	Manly	42	GIO Stadium	14,730
Bye: Warriors							
ROUND 13							
May 25th	Thu 7:50pm	Dolphins	26	St Geo Illa	12	Kayo Stadium	10,047
May 26th	Fri 8:00pm	Parramatta	24	North Qld	16	CommBank	14,810
May 27th	Sat 7:30pm	Warriors	22	Brisbane	26	McLean Park	16,195
May 27th	Sat 7:35pm	Souths	26	Canberra	33	Accor	12,382
May 28th	Sun 4:05pm	Newcastle	28	Manly	18	McD. Jones	20,661
Bye: Sydney, Penrith, Melbourne, Wests Tigers, Gold Coast, Cronulla, Canterbury							
MEN'S STATE OF ORIGIN I							
May 31st	Wed 7:35pm	NSW	18	QLD	26	Adelaide	48,613
WOMEN'S STATE OF ORIGIN I							
June 1st	Thu 7:45pm	NSW	10	QLD	18	CommBank	12,972
ROUND 14							
Jun 2nd	Fri 8:00pm	Wests Tigers	19	Canberra	20	Campbelltown	11,201
Jun 3rd	Sat 5:00pm	Warriors	30	Dolphins	8	Go Media	23,686
Jun 3rd	Sat 5:30pm	Gold Coast	28	Souths	46	Cbus	18,736
Jun 3rd	Sat 7:35pm	Cronulla	12	Brisbane	20	Pointsbet	12,318
Jun 4th	Sun 2:00pm	Sydney	25	Canterbury	24	Ind. Group	18,338
Jun 4th	Sun 4:05pm	North Qld	45	Melbourne	20	QLD C.B.	18,867
Jun 4th	Sun 6:15pm	Penrith	26	St Geo Illa	18	Bluebet	16,912
Bye: Parramatta, Manly, Newcastle							



ROUND 15							
Jun 8th	Thu 7:50pm	Gold Coast	28	Wests Tigers	12	Cbus	10,232
Jun 9th	Fri 6:00pm	Canberra	14	Warriors	36	GIO Stadium	21,082
Jun 9th	Fri 8:00pm	Manly	58	Dolphins	18	4 Pines Park	14,598
Jun 10th	Sat 3:00pm	St Geo Illa	36	Souths	30	Netstrata	17,357
Jun 10th	Sat 5:30pm	Brisbane	24	Newcastle	20	Suncorp	35,814
Jun 10th	Sat 7:35pm	Sydney	6	Penrith	30	Allianz	23,610
Jun 11th	Sun 4:05pm	Melbourne	54	Cronulla	10	AAMI Park	20,253
Jun 12th	Mon 4:00pm	Canterbury	12	Parramatta	34	Accor	33,866
Bye: North Qld							
ROUND 16							
Jun 16th	Fri 8:00pm	North Qld	27	Penrith	23	QLD C.B.	17,277
Jun 17th	Sat 3:00pm	Newcastle	16	Sydney	18	McD. Jones	21,966
Jun 17th	Sat 5:30pm	Parramatta	34	Manly	4	CommBank	21,296
Jun 17th	Sat 7:35pm	Wests Tigers	6	Melbourne	28	Campbelltown	8,517
Jun 18th	Sun 4:05pm	Cronulla	48	Canterbury	10	Pointsbet	11,901
Bye: Dolphins, Canberra, Brisbane, Gold Coast, Souths, Warriors, St Geo Illa							
MEN'S STATE OF ORIGIN II							
Jun 21st	Wed 8:05pm	QLD	32	NSW	6	Suncorp	52,433
WOMEN'S STATE OF ORIGIN II							
June 22nd	Thu 7:45pm	QLD	14	NSW	18	QLD C.B.	18,275
ROUND 17							
Jun 23rd	Fri 8:00pm	St Geo Illa	18	Warriors	48	WIN Stadium	9,275
Jun 24th	Sat 3:00pm	Dolphins	20	Parramatta	48	Sun. Coast	8,821
Jun 24th	Sat 5:30pm	Penrith	20	Newcastle	12	Bluebet	18,589
Jun 24th	Sat 7:35pm	Melbourne	24	Manly	6	AAMI Park	13,198
Jun 25th	Sun 2:00pm	Brisbane	12	Gold Coast	18	Suncorp	42,249
Jun 25th	Sun 4:05pm	Souths	6	North Qld	31	Accor	11,262
Jun 25th	Sun 6:15pm	Sydney	18	Canberra	20	Allianz	13,326
Bye: Wests Tigers, Cronulla, Canterbury							
ROUND 18							
Jun 29th	Thu 7:50pm	Cronulla	52	St Geo Illa	16	Pointsbet	10,267
Jun 30th	Fri 8:00pm	Warriors	6	Souths	28	Go Media	22,612
Jun 30th	Fri 8:00pm	Melbourne	16	Penrith	34	Marvel	26,829
Jul 1st	Sat 3:00pm	Canberra	26	Gold Coast	22	GIO Stadium	11,659
Jul 1st	Sat 5:30pm	North Qld	74	Wests Tigers	0	QLD C.B.	20,535
Jul 1st	Sat 7:35pm	Brisbane	24	Dolphins	16	The Gabba	30,606
Jul 2nd	Sun 2:00pm	Canterbury	0	Newcastle	66	Accor	11,004
Jul 2nd	Sun 4:05pm	Manly	18	Sydney	16	4 Pines Park	17,385
Bye: Parramatta							
ROUND 19							
Jul 6th	Thu 7:50pm	Wests Tigers	12	Cronulla	36	CommBank	9,215
Jul 7th	Fri 8:00pm	St Geo Illa	26	Canberra	36	WIN Stadium	9,369
Jul 8th	Sat 5:30pm	Parramatta	10	Warriors	46	CommBank	21,696
Jul 8th	Sat 7:35pm	Souths	32	Canterbury	36	Accor	16,166
Jul 9th	Sun 4:05pm	Gold Coast	21	Dolphins	23	Cbus	18,335
Bye: Sydney, North Qld, Penrith, Brisbane, Melbourne, Manly, Newcastle							
MEN'S STATE OF ORIGIN III							
Jul 12th	Wed 8:05pm	NSW	24	QLD	10	Accor	75,342
ROUND 20							
Jul 14th	Fri 8:00pm	Newcastle	34	Wests Tigers	18	McD. Jones	18,470
Jul 15th	Sat 3:00pm	Canterbury	24	Brisbane	44	Belmore	17,103
Jul 15th	Sat 5:30pm	Manly	8	North Qld	19	4 Pines Park	13,240
Jul 15th	Sat 7:35pm	Sydney	16	Melbourne	30	SCG	12,021
Jul 16th	Sun 4:00pm	Warriors	44	Cronulla	12	Go Media	24,012
Jul 16th	Sun 4:05pm	Dolphins	14	Penrith	24	Kayo Stadium	10,065
Jul 16th	Sun 6:15pm	Parramatta	25	Gold Coast	24	CommBank	12,599
Bye: Canberra, Souths, St Geo Illa							
ROUND 21							
Jul 20th	Thu 7:50pm	St Geo Illa	18	Wests Tigers	14	WIN Stadium	7,246
Jul 21st	Fri 8:00pm	Warriors	21	Canberra	20	Go Media	19,112
Jul 21st	Fri 8:00pm	Souths	20	Brisbane	36	Sun. Coast	8,931
Jul 22nd	Sat 3:00pm	Gold Coast	18	Sydney	36	Cbus	15,362
Jul 22nd	Sat 5:30pm	Newcastle	26	Melbourne	18	McD. Jones	20,392
Jul 22nd	Sat 7:35pm	North Qld	24	Parramatta	16	QLD C.B.	20,710
Jul 23rd	Sun 2:00pm	Penrith	44	Canterbury	18	Bluebet	21,525
Jul 23rd	Sun 4:05pm	Cronulla	26	Manly	30	Pointsbet	10,634
Bye: Dolphins							

ROUND 22							
Jul 27th	Thu 7:50pm	Brisbane	32	Sydney	10	The Gabba	21,641
Jul 28th	Fri 6:00pm	Wests Tigers	18	Souths	32	Scully Park	10,453
Jul 28th	Fri 8:00pm	Melbourne	46	Parramatta	16	Marvel	20,429
Jul 29th	Sat 3:00pm	Canberra	6	Newcastle	28	GIO Stadium	15,487
Jul 29th	Sat 5:30pm	St Geo Illa	18	Manly	24	WIN Stadium	14,872
Jul 29th	Sat 7:35pm	Penrith	28	Cronulla	0	Bluebet	20,694
Jul 30th	Sun 2:00pm	Canterbury	23	Dolphins	22	Salter Oval	5,130
Jul 30th	Sun 4:05pm	Gold Coast	22	North Qld	13	Cbus	16,516
Bye: Warriors							
ROUND 23							
Aug 3rd	Thu 7:50pm	Sydney	26	Manly	16	SCG	12,197
Aug 4th	Fri 6:00pm	Gold Coast	18	Warriors	28	Cbus	20,877
Aug 4th	Fri 8:00pm	Penrith	26	Melbourne	6	Bluebet	19,953
Aug 5th	Sat 3:00pm	North Qld	14	Brisbane	30	QLD C.B.	22,659
Aug 5th	Sat 3:30pm	Dolphins	28	Newcastle	30	Optus Stadium	42,042
Aug 5th	Sat 5:35pm	Souths	16	Cronulla	26	Optus Stadium	45,814
Aug 6th	Sun 2:00pm	Parramatta	26	St Geo Illa	20	CommBank	23,596
Aug 6th	Sun 4:05pm	Canberra	22	Wests Tigers	18	GIO Stadium	12,841
Bye: Canterbury							
ROUND 24							
Aug 10th	Thu 7:50pm	Manly	12	Penrith	24	4 Pines Park	10,102
Aug 11th	Fri 6:00pm	Cronulla	36	Gold Coast	6	Pointsbet	9,753
Aug 11th	Fri 8:00pm	Brisbane	54	Parramatta	10	The Gabba	29,005
Aug 12th	Sat 3:00pm	Souths	26	St Geo Illa	14	Barlow Park	8,378
Aug 12th	Sat 7:30pm	Wests Tigers	22	Warriors	30	FMG Stadium	25,118
Aug 12th	Sat 7:35pm	Sydney	30	Dolphins	14	Allianz	13,704
Aug 13th	Sun 2:00pm	Melbourne	48	Canberra	2	AAMI Park	17,369
Aug 13th	Sun 4:05pm	Newcastle	42	Canterbury	6	McD. Jones	23,464
Bye: North Qld							
ROUND 25							
Aug 17th	Thu 7:50pm	North Qld	12	Cronulla	32	QLD C.B.	17,318
Aug 18th	Fri 8:00pm	Warriors	29	Manly	22	Daniel Anderson	24,112
Aug 18th	Fri 8:00pm	Parramatta	12	Sydney	34	CommBank	20,076
Aug 19th	Sat 3:00pm	Wests Tigers	24	Dolphins	23	CommBank	9,245
Aug 19th	Sat 5:30pm	Gold Coast	14	Penrith	40	Cbus	19,106
Aug 19th	Sat 7:35pm	St Geo Illa	28	Melbourne	38	WIN Stadium	8,326
Aug 20th	Sun 2:00pm	Newcastle	29	Souths	10	McD. Jones	29,018
Aug 20th	Sun 4:05pm	Canberra	36	Canterbury	24	GIO Stadium	12,402
Bye: Brisbane							
ROUND 26							
Aug 24th	Thu 7:50pm	Penrith	18	Parramatta	32	Bluebet	21,525
Aug 25th	Fri 8:00pm	Warriors	18	St Geo Illa	6	Go Media	25,095
Aug 25th	Fri 8:00pm	Dolphins	10	North Qld	34	Suncorp	33,449
Aug 26th	Sat 3:00pm	Melbourne	37	Gold Coast	16	AAMI Park	18,072
Aug 26th	Sat 5:30pm	Sydney	32	Wests Tigers	8	Allianz	22,511
Aug 26th	Sat 7:35pm	Canberra	18	Brisbane	29	GIO Stadium	19,400
Aug 27th	Sun 2:00pm	Canterbury	24	Manly	42	Accor	13,074
Aug 27th	Sun 4:05pm	Newcastle	32	Cronulla	6	McD. Jones	29,423
Bye: Souths							
ROUND 27							
Aug 31st	Thu 7:50pm	Brisbane	22	Melbourne	32	Suncorp	43,271
Sep 1st	Fri 6:00pm	Manly	54	Wests Tigers	12	4 Pines Park	16,503
Sep 1st	Fri 8:00pm	Souths	12	Sydney	26	Accor	36,263
Sep 2nd	Sat 3:00pm	Dolphins	34	Warriors	10	Suncorp	35,438
Sep 2nd	Sat 5:30pm	Penrith	44	North Qld	12	Bluebet	21,525
Sep 2nd	Sat 7:35pm	St Geo Illa	12	Newcastle	32	Netstrata	10,137
Sep 3rd	Sun 2:00pm	Gold Coast	34	Canterbury	30	Cbus	14,942
Sep 3rd	Sun 4:05pm	Cronulla	24	Canberra	6	Pointsbet	12,750
Bye: Parramatta							
FINALS WEEK 1 - QUALIFYING & ELIMINATION FINALS							
Sep 8th	Fri 7:50pm	Brisbane (2)		Melbourne (3)		Suncorp	
Sep 9th	Sat 4:05pm	Penrith (1)		Warriors (4)		Bluebet	
Sep 9th	Sat 7:50pm	Cronulla (6)		Sydney (7)		Pointsbet	
Sep 10th	Sun 4:05pm	Newcastle (5)		Canberra (8)		McD. Jones	
SEMI FINALS - SEPTEMBER 16 AND 17							
	Semi Final 1	L Pen v War	v	W New v Can			
	Semi Final 2	L Bri v Mel	v	W Cro v Syd			
PRELIMINARY FINALS - SEPTEMBER 23 AND 24							
	Prelim 1	W Pen v War	v	W SF 2			
	Prelim 2	W Bri v Mel	v	W SF 1			
GRAND FINAL - OCTOBER 1							
	Grand Final	W Prelim 1	v	W Prelim 2			

## BETFRED SUPER LEAGUE

### ROUND 24 RECAP with JUSTIN DAVIES

**HULL KR 26** (S. Kenny-Dowall, M. Lewis, K. Linnett, J. Walker tries; B. Schneider 5 goals) **DEFEATED CATALANS 18** (B. Garcia, R. Navarrete, F. Yaha tries; A. Keighran 3 goals) **AT SEWELL GROUP CRAVEN PARK**. Date: Fri, 1st September. Kickoff: 8:00 PM. Halftime: Catalans 14-12. Penalties: Hull KR 8-4. Referee: Ben Thaler. **HULL KR:** Walker, Senior, Opacic, Kenny-Dowall, Hall; Lewis, Schneider; Kennedy, Parcell, King, Batchelor, Linnett, Minchella. Int: Litten, Storton, Hadley, Luckley. **CATALANS:** Tomkins, Davies, Keighran, Romano, Yaha; May, Pearce; Navarrete, McIlorum, Bousquet, Whitley, McMeeken, Garcia. Int: Mourgue, Goudemand, Dezaria, Ma'u.

**Hull KR picked up a big win in their 26-18 win over Catalans Dragons down at Craven Park on Friday night.** Looking to bounce back from last week, Catalans got off to the perfect start. Mitch Pearce found a rampaging Romain Navarrete to score. The Robins coming off a huge win responded with their own four-pointer. The experienced Shaun Kenny-Dowall sliced through the defense for 6-all. Adam Keighran put the Dragons ahead with a penalty goal for 8-6. They extended the lead to eight after Benjamin Garcia went over from close range. Hull KR went into the break closing the gap with their second try. Kane Linnett latched onto a grubber just before the break for a 14-12 scoreline.

The Robins flew out of the blocks after half-time. It was another solid backline movement which ended in Jack Walker going over. They made it a six-point lead after Brad Schneider caught the defense offside. The half stepped up and piloted through the penalty to make it 20-14. Catalans refused to go away and closed the gap again. Foud Yaha was on the end of the backline move and touched down in the left corner. Hull KR would take the spoils through Mikey Lewis. The half seemed to pop up in vital spots for the Robins and he finished off a runaround play for 26-18.

**WIGAN 26** (L. Farrell, J. Field, T. King, A. Miski, J. Wardle tries; H. Smith 3 goals) **DEFEATED SALFORD 8** (K. Sio try; R. Brierley 2 goals) **AT DW STADIUM**. Date: Fri, 1st September. Kickoff: 8:00 PM. Halftime: Wigan 20-4. Penalties: Wigan 6-5. Referee: Chris Kendall. Crowd: 12,905. **WIGAN:** Field, Miski, King, Wardle, Marshall; French, Smith; Ellis, O'Neill, Byrne, Pearce-Paul, Farrell, Smithies. Int: Powell, Shorrocks, Mago, Nsemba. **SALFORD:** Brierley, Sio, Cross, Lafai, Burgess; Croft, Sneyd; Singleton, Ackers, Partington, Watkins, Stone, Addy. Int: Vuniyayawa, Ormondroyd, Hellewell, Atkin.

**Wigan Warriors won 26-8 over Salford Red Devils to move in first spot in Super League down at DW Stadium on Friday night.** It is back-to-back big wins for Wigan Warriors which sees them leap over Catalans Dragons and take over the competition lead headed into the final month. The Red Devils hit the scoreboard first through a penalty goal from Ryan Brierley for 2-0 before Liam Farrell's mazy run put the hosts ahead. That pattern continued again when Brierley inched the visitors ahead with another penalty goal to make it 4-2 in an engrossing contest. Wigan Warriors put on a trio of scores to lead 20-4 at the break. Abbas Miski touched down in the corner then Jake Wardle crashed over. Jai Field then stretched the leads on the hooter to put an exclamation mark on the half.

The visitors job got harder when King Vuniyayawa was sin binned for a high tackle. Wigan capitalised quickly and sent Toby King over. Salford Red Devils did avoid being niled in the game late on. A slick backline movement ended with Ken Sio sliding over to make it 28-6.

**LEEDS 28** (S. Lisone 3, D. Fusitu'a, L. Hooley tries; R. Martin 4 goals) **DEFEATED HULL FC 12** (H. Barron, C. Scott, A. Swift tries) **AT MKM STADIUM**. Date: Sat, 2nd September. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Leeds 18-4. Penalties: Hull FC 4-2. Referee: Tom Grant. Crowd: 11,064. **HULL FC:** Shaul, Swift, Sutcliffe, Scott, Barron; Lovodua, Clifford; Fash, Houghton, Taylor, Lane, Savelio, Cator. Int: Brown, Dwyer, Hoy, Satae. **LEEDS:** Hooley, Fusitu'a, Newman, Roberts, Olpherts; Martin, Sinfield; Oledzki, O'Connor, Holroyd, McDonnell, Walters, Smith. Int: Gannon, Lisone, Ruan, Donaldson.

**Leeds Rhinos keep their playoff hopes alive with a 28-12 win over Hull FC at MKM Stadium on Saturday afternoon.** The visitors got off to a positive start through Luke Hooley. The fullback supported well and snaffled the kick and made it 4-0 then a penalty goal from Martin made it six. Hull FC knew a win was needed to keep their finals hopes alive. They struck back through winger Adam Swift who dived over in the left corner. Leeds stretched their advantage to 18-6 going into half-time through a rare Sam Lisone double. He strode over from an offload for his first then spun over from close range for the other.

The Rhinos kept their foot on the throat with a score right after the break. David Fusitu'a dived over in the corner from another superb offload. Hull FC responded with a pair of scores to give them a chance. Harvey Barron and Cameron Scott touched down to make it 22-12 but goalkicking let them down. The hosts finished the game off in style. Lisone picked up a hat-trick with a strong support run. The forward was cheering before he hit the line as the Rhinos stay alive for the playoffs.

**WARRINGTON 66** (M. Dufty 2, P. Vaughan 2, G. Williams 2, M. Ashton, D. Clark, B. Currie, J. Harrison, M. Nicholson tries; S. Ratchford 11 goals) **DEFEATED CASTLEFORD 12** (G. Eden, S. Hall tries; G. Widdop 2 goals) **AT HALLIWELL JONES STADIUM**. Date: Sat, 2nd September. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Warrington 18-12. Penalties: Castleford 4-3. Referee: Jack Smith. Crowd: 9,103. **WARRINGTON:** Dufty, Thewlis, Mata'utia, Ratchford, Ashton; Williams, Drinkwater; Mikaele, Walker, Vaughan, Currie, Nicholson, Harrison. Int: Clark, Kasiano, Philbin, Crowther. **CASTLEFORD:** Widdop, Wallis, Tasipale, Turner, Eden; Austin, Miller; Hall, Lawler, Griffin, Edwards, Mellor, Westerman. Int: Martin, Johnstone, Foster, Tsirikas.

**Warrington Wolves ran rampant in their 66-12 win over Castleford Tigers at Halliwell Jones Stadium on Saturday afternoon.** The Tigers had the perfect start to the game with a try to Sam Hall early which gave them an early 6-0 advantage over the Wolves. Wolves howled into action with three scores to lead 18-6 at the break. Paul Vaughan got the scoring started with his close range effort. Matt Dufty showed off his burst of speed to put the hosts into the lead before Ben Currie strolled over from a knocked down pass to get his century of tries.

It was déjà vu to start the second half for Castleford. Gareth Widdop fired a pass wide to Greg Eden to touch down in the corner. The match turned on a sin bin. Tigers half Jacob Miller was binned for a dangerous tackle. Wolves profited during the man advantage with Daryl Clark, Dufty and Matty Nicholson all scoring. They added one more during the advantage through Matty Ashton to make it 42-12 in front of a raucous home crowd. It was party time for Warrington. George Williams got himself a double while James Harrison also crossed alongside a second from Paul Vaughan.

**LEIGH 34** (J. Charnley 2, J. Asiat, T. Briscoe, E. Ipape, L. Lam tries; B. Reynolds 5 goals) **DEFEATED HUDDERSFIELD 16** (J. Connor 2, S. Halsall tries; W. Pryce 2 goals) **AT LEIGH SPORTS VILLAGE STADIUM**. Date: Sun, 3rd September. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Leigh 16-6. Penalties: Leigh 8-2. Referee: Liam Moore. Crowd: 6,064. **LEIGH:** O'Brien, Briscoe, Hardaker, Gildart, Charnley; Reynolds, Lam; Mulhern, Ipape, Amone, Hughes, O'Donnell, Asiat. Int: Mellor, Nakubuwai, Halton, Wardle. **HUDDERSFIELD:** Pryce, Halsall, Bibby, Naiqama, Marsters; Connor, Lolohea; Hill, Milner, English, Cudjoe, McQueen, Yates. Int: Peats, Wilson, Hewitt, Ikahihifo.

**Leigh Leopards were 34-16 winners against Huddersfield Giants at Leigh Sports Village on Sunday afternoon.** The game was abandoned on Friday night due to flood light failures just after half-time with Leigh leading 16-12 and the rest of the game was completed on Sunday. Leigh Leopards pounced from the offset with the first score. Josh Charnley was able to touch down in the corner from a kick to make it 4-0. Huddersfield Giants bounced back with a score of their own from five-eighth Jake Connors. He weaved past the Leopards defense to give the visitors the lead. The Leopards who were looking to arrest back-to-back defeats scored twice to lead 16-6 at the break. Charnley added a second before fellow winger Tom Briscoe got into the action. The Giants clawed back again just after half-time. Again, it was Connors who touched down this time from a high kick for 16-12.

When the game resumed on Sunday, Leigh extended their lead through Edwin Ipape. He scooted over from close range. Huddersfield remained in the fight again with their third score. The Giants stripped numbers on the right which saw Sam Halsall dive over. Leigh confirmed the two points with two late scores. Captain John Asiat went over from an offload then Lachlan Lam snaffled an intercept to complete the 34-16 win.

**ST HELENS 32** (T. Makinson 2, J. Bennison, L. Dodd, J. Lomax, J. Roby tries; M. Percival 4 goals) **DEFEATED WAKEFIELD (TRINITY) 16** (M. Ashurst, L. Kershaw tries; W. Dagger, M. Lino goals) **AT BE WELL SUPPORT STADIUM**. Date: Sun, 3rd September. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: St Helens 20-6. Penalties: St Helens 5-3. Referee: Marcus Griffiths. Crowd: 4,544. **WAKEFIELD (Trinity):** Dagger, Senior, Franco, Croft, Kershaw; Lino, Gale; Bowden, Hood, Atoni, Ashurst, Griffin, Pitts. Int: Kay, Fifita, Battye, Eseh. **ST HELENS:** Welsby, Makinson, Hurrell, Percival, Bennison; Lomax, Dodd; Lees, Roby, Delaney, Mata'utia, Batchelor, Bell. Int: McCarthy-Scarsbrook, Norman, Royle, Mbye.

**St Helens triumphed 32-16 against Wakefield Trinity in their game down at Belle Vue on Sunday afternoon.** The Saints made it six wins in a row and made it a three-way dance in the League Leaders Shield race with all three on 34 points. St Helens stretched their legs early with a score. Konrad Hurrell skittled defenders before he offloaded to Jonny Lomax to touch down. The hosts struck back through a former Saint. Matty Ashurst finished off the movement from close range to make it 6-all. The visitors responded to that setback with three tries to lead 20-6 at the break. Tommy Makinson dived over from a Jack Welsby pass then veteran James Roby and Jonathan Bennison rounded off the first half display.

Coming out of the break, Wakefield felt just fine. The hosts worked the ball well before Lee Kershaw went over in the corner. St Helens again showed their skill with back-to-back scores. Makinson added his second then Lewis Dodd sprinted past the defense. Wakefield Trinity did find some consolation late in the contest. Kershaw got himself a double off another backline move to make it 32-16.

TOP SIX: ROUND 24	P	W	L	D	F	A	+/-	Pts
1. WIGAN WARRIORS	24	17	7	0	614	348	266	34
2. CATALANS DRAGONS	24	17	7	0	624	402	222	34
3. ST HELENS	24	17	7	0	543	336	207	34
4. LEIGH LEOPARDS	24	15	9	0	547	457	90	30
5. WARRINGTON WOLVES	24	13	11	0	551	462	89	26
6. HULL KR	24	13	11	0	495	468	27	26

BOTTOM SIX: ROUND 24	P	W	L	D	F	A	+/-	Pts
7. SALFORD RED DEVILS	24	12	12	0	462	461	1	24
8. LEEDS RHINOS	24	11	13	0	489	423	66	22
9. HUDDERSFIELD GIANTS	24	10	14	0	395	486	-91	20
10. HULL FC	24	10	14	0	432	543	-111	20
11. CASTLEFORD TIGERS	24	5	19	0	288	668	-380	10
12. WAKEFIELD TRINITY	24	4	20	0	262	648	-386	8

# BETFRED CHAMPIONSHIP

## ROUND 24 RESULTS

**TOULOUSE 36** (Z. Sauto 2, A. Marion, G. Richards, R. Silva, M. Stefani tries; J. Shorrocks 6 goals) **DEFEATED** **NEWCASTLE 16** (J. Johnson 2, G. Bofo tries; N. Williams 2 goals) **AT KINGSTON PARK**. Date: Sat, 2nd September. Kickoff: 6:00 PM. Halftime: Toulouse 18-10. Penalties: Toulouse 7-5. Referee: Matthew Rossleigh. Crowd: 639. **NEWCASTLE**: Donaghy, Johnson, Walsh, Walker, Bofo; Balmforth, Williams; Chapelhow, Davies, Clark, Clegg, Tuliati, Bailey. Int: Simons, Lightowler, Walton, Moore. **TOULOUSE**: Sauto, Marcon, Lima, Armitage, Laguerre; Shorrocks, Brochon; Hansen, Gahan, Richards, Stefani, Peyroux, Marion. Int: Pélissier, Silva, Skoundri, Tropis.

**FEATHERSTONE 16** (C. Aekins, B. Day, G. Gale tries; M. Kheirallah 2 goals) **DEFEATED** **BRADFORD 8** (B. England, J. Myers tries) **AT ODSAL STADIUM**. Date: Sun, 3rd September. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Featherstone 6-4. Penalties: Featherstone 7-2. Referee: Aaron Moore. Crowd: 4,567. **BRADFORD**: Holmes, Myers, Arundel, Gill, Fogg-Johnston; Lilliey, Gaskell; Lawrence, Flanagan, Rogers, England, Wallace, Baitieri. Int: Jowitt, Scurr, Appo, Doro. **FEATHERSTONE**: Kheirallah, Hall, Leilua, Hankinson, Gale; Aekins, Chisholm; Springer, Wildie, Lockwood, Day, Longstaff, Smith. Int: Jones, Davies, Moors, Cozza.

**KEIGHLEY 26** (J. Bibby, C. Graham, D. Parker, J. Sa'u, L. Young tries; K. Rush 2, H. Spence goals) **DEFEATED** **BARROW 20** (A. Bulman 2, J. Wood tries; R. Shaw 4 goals) **AT COUGAR PARK**. Date: Sun, 3rd September. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Barrow 20-10. Penalties: Barrow 7-6. Referee: Michael Smail. Crowd: 1,828. **KEIGHLEY**: Young, Graham, Sa'u, Storey, Agoro; Spence, Rush; Ioane, Doyle, Nicholson-Watton, Robson, Adebisi, Trout. Int: Thomas, Parker, Lynam, Bibby. **BARROW**: Broadbent, Shaw, Brand, Toal, Bulman; Sammut, Johnston; Burke, Wood, Worthington, Emslie, Stack, Wilkinson. Int: Cresswell, Evans, Carter, Billington.

**LONDON 26** (A. Walker 2, J. Bassett, I. Macani, D. Parata tries; C. Norman 3 goals) **DEFEATED** **SHEFFIELD 18** (J. Glover 2, Q. Lulu-Togaga'e tries; C. Aston 3 goals) **AT SHEFFIELD OLYMPIC LEGACY STADIUM**. Date: Sun, 3rd September. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: London 8-0. Penalties: Sheffield 4-1. Referee: Liam Rush. Crowd: 910. **SHEFFIELD**: Lulu-Togaga'e, Jones-Bishop, Oakes, Glover, Dawson-Jones; Aston, Hansen; Wood, Halafihi, Dickinson, Murphy, Liu, Gwaze. Int: Hodgson, Broadbent, Roberts, Sene-Lefao. **LONDON**: Walker, Grant, Bassett, Whare, Macani; Raiwalui, Norman; Bienek, Leyland, Butler, Lovell, Natoli, Parata. Int: Leyland, Albert, Davis, Stock.

**HALIFAX 30** (L. Jouffret 2, M. Gee, B. Kavanagh, J. Woodburn-Hall tries; L. Jouffret 5 goals) **DEFEATED** **WHITEHAVEN 8** (O. Doran, D. Spencer-Tonks tries) **AT LEL ARENA**. Date: Sun, 3rd September. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Halifax 6-4. Penalties: Whitehaven 9-1. Referee: Bradley Milligan. Crowd: 1,056. **WHITEHAVEN**: Rourke, Doran, Taylor, Eccleston, Holroyd; Carter, Doran; Castle, Newton, Ainley, Holliday, Teare, Aiye. Int: Lanskey, Singleton, Hill, Spencer-Tonks. **HALIFAX**: Woodburn-Hall, Saltonstall, McComb, Crooks, Walmsley; Jouffret, Keyes; Calcott, O'Brien, Tangata, Kavanagh, Gee, Fairbank. Int: Inman, Lannon, Sutcliffe, Fleming.

**WIDNES 12** (C. Field, J. Owens tries; K. Dixon 2 goals) **DEFEATED** **BATLEY 4** (A. McGowan try) **AT DCBL STADIUM**. Date: Sun, 3rd September. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Widnes 6-4. Penalties: Batley 6-2. Referee: Scott Mikalaukas. **WIDNES**: Owens, Ince, Fleming, Edge, Dixon; Craven, Gilmore; Farnworth, Fozard, Field, Wilde, Roberts, Brown. Int: Davies, Forber, Lawton, Worthington. **BATLEY**: McGowan, Morton, Hodson, Buchanan, Kear; Meadows, Woods; Gledhill, White, Brown, Manning, Walshaw, Reilly. Int: Leak, Flynn, Ward, Kibula.

**YORK 26** (O. Pratt 2, W. Jubb, J. Thompson tries; L. Harris 5 goals) **DEFEATED** **SWINTON 22** (D. Abram, L. Brogan, J. Lowe, G. Roby tries; D. Abram 3 goals) **AT LNER COMMUNITY STADIUM**. Date: Sun, 3rd September. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: York 14-10. Scrums: Swinton 9-7. Referee: Cameron Worsley. **YORK**: Harrison, Towse, Clarkson, Pratt, Bass; Daley, Harris; Santi, Jubb, Fitzsimmons, Field, Dee, Thompson. Int: Michael, Pauli, Price, Pemberton. **SWINTON**: Lowe, Romeo, Spedding, Badrock, Butt; Abram, Gibson; Bennion, Hall, Brogan, Rodden, Cox, Foster. Int: Baker, Case, Parnaby, Roby.

TABLE: ROUND 24	P	W	L	D	F	A	+/-	Pts
1. FEATHERSTONE ROVERS	24	22	2	0	932	247	685	44
2. TOULOUSE OLYMPIQUE XIII	24	18	6	0	774	314	460	36
3. BRADFORD BULLS	24	14	9	1	638	526	112	29
4. SHEFFIELD EAGLES	24	14	10	0	688	515	173	28
5. LONDON BRONCOS	24	14	10	0	514	512	2	28
6. WIDNES VIKINGS	24	13	11	0	581	502	79	26
7. BATLEY BULLDOGS	24	13	11	0	435	474	-39	26
8. HALIFAX PANTHERS	24	12	11	1	629	510	119	25
9. YORK RLFC KNIGHTS	24	12	11	1	467	489	-22	25
10. KEIGHLEY COUGARS	24	8	16	0	456	752	-296	16
11. BARROW RAIDERS	24	7	16	1	397	591	-194	15
12. WHITEHAVEN RLFC	24	7	16	1	407	711	-304	15
13. SWINTON LIONS	24	7	17	0	369	675	-306	14
14. NEWCASTLE THUNDER	24	4	19	1	339	808	-469	9

# BETFRED WOMEN'S SUPER LEAGUE

## WEEKEND RESULTS

**WIGAN (W) 26** (M. Coleman 2, A. Davies 2, C. Miller tries; S. Doria 3 goals) **DEFEATED** **HUDDERSFIELD (W) 6** (E. Wilkinson try; F. Townend goal) **AT ROBIN PARK ARENA**. Date: Sun, 3rd September. Kickoff: 12:00 PM. Halftime: Wigan (W) 10-0. Referee: Will Gilder. **WIGAN (W)**: Greenfield, Miller, Davies, Hunter, Jones; Thompson, Doria; Speakman, Marsh, Johnson, Molyneux, Coleman, Bardsley. Int: Harborow, Jones, Hayes, Hilton. **HUDDERSFIELD (W)**: Bennett, Coates, Preston, Arrowsmith, Brown; Townend, Grady; McPherson, Oates, Wilkinson, Naidole, Fisher, Millward. Int: Barker, Simister, Da Silva, Armstrong.

**LEEDS (W) 34** (Z. Hornby 2, T. Gaines, B. Lockwood, I. Northrop, S. Robinson tries; S. Hulme 5 goals) **DEFEATED** **ST HELENS (W) 22** (S. Hoyle, E. Partington, N. Williams tries; A. Taylor 3 goals) **AT TOTALLY WICKED STADIUM**. Date: Sun, 3rd September. Kickoff: 1:00 PM. Halftime: St Helens (W) 18-6. Referee: Sam Houghton. **ST HELENS (W)**: Rotheram, Hook, Travis, Stott, Partington; Taylor, Gaskin; Crowl, Jones, Birchall, Hoyle, Rudge, Cunningham. Int: Williams, Whitfield, Mottershead, Sutherland. **LEEDS (W)**: Gaines, Moxon, Robinson, Greening, Hulme; Casey, Butcher; Hornby, Bennett, Glynn, Frain, Murray, Dainton. Int: Sykes, Northrop, Lockwood, Costello.

CURRENT TABLE	P	W	L	D	F	A	+/-	Pts
1. YORK VALKYRIE	9	8	0	1	316	70	246	17
2. ST HELENS	9	6	3	0	306	110	196	12
3. LEEDS RHINOS	9	5	3	1	370	136	234	11
4. WIGAN WARRIORS	9	3	5	1	116	226	-110	7
5. WARRINGTON WOLVES	9	2	6	1	122	394	-272	5
6. HUDDERSFIELD GIANTS	9	1	8	0	98	392	-294	2

## WEEKEND FIXTURES

All times BST

### BETFRED SUPER LEAGUE ROUND 25

Time	Match	Venue
Fri 7:30pm	WAKEFIELD v CATALANS	Be Well Support Stadium
Fri 7:45pm	HUDDERSFIELD v HULL KR	John Smith's Stadium
Fri 8pm	ST HELENS v LEIGH +	Totally Wicked Stadium
	CASTLEFORD v HULL FC	Mend-a-Hose Jungle
Sat 2:45pm	LEEDS v WIGAN +	Headingley Stadium
Sun 12:45pm	SALFORD v WARRINGTON ^	Salford Stadium

+ denotes match broadcast live on Sky Sports (UK) and Fox League (AU)

^ denotes match broadcast live on Channel 4 (UK)

### BETFRED CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND 25

Time	Match	Venue
Fri 7:30pm	SHEFFIELD v KEIGHLEY	Olympic Legacy Park
Fri 8pm	NEWCASTLE v FEATHERSTONE	Kingston Park
Sat 6pm	HALIFAX v TOULOUSE	The Shay Stadium
Sun 3pm	BARROW v SWINTON	Matt Johnson Prestige Stadium
	BRADFORD v YORK	Odsal Stadium
	LONDON v WIDNES	Cherry Red Records Stadium
	BATLEY v WHITEHAVEN	Fox's Biscuit Stadium

+ denotes match broadcast live on Viaplay Sports (UK) and Fox League (AU)

### BETFRED WOMEN'S SUPER LEAGUE ROUND 10

Time	Match	Venue
Sat 12:15pm	LEEDS v WIGAN	Headingley Stadium
Sun 1pm	ST HELENS v WARRINGTON	Totally Wicked Stadium
Sun 3pm	YORK v HUDDERSFIELD	LNER Community Stadium

# CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND SHARKS

# ST GEORGE ILLAWARRA DRAGONS



VENUE	POINTS BET STADIUM	Wyatt RAYMOND	REFEREE
LOCATION	DHARAWAL   WOOLLOOWARE, NSW	Mitch CURRIE, Karra-Lee NOLAN	TOUCH JUDGES
DAY & TIME	THURSDAY 7 SEPTEMBER 2023   7:45PM AEST	Liam KENNEDY	NRL BUNKER
HISTORY	First meeting		

P	T	G	FG	Pts	Age	
4	2	-	-	8	20	Jada TAYLOR <b>1</b>
3	3	-	-	12	-	Georgia RAVICS <b>2</b>
7	1	-	-	4	27	Tiana PENITANI <b>3</b>
6	-	-	-	-	-	Annessa BIDDLE <b>4</b>
3	-	-	-	-	30	Cassie STAPLES <b>5</b>
7	3	-	-	12	28	Emma TONEGATO <b>6</b>
7	-	15	-	30	23	Tayla PRESTON <b>7</b>
7	3	-	-	12	22	Ellie JOHNSTON <b>8</b>
7	3	-	-	12	23	Quincy DODD <b>9</b>
6	-	-	-	-	21	Tegan DYMOCK <b>10</b>
7	-	-	-	-	23	Talei HOLMES <b>11</b>
7	1	-	-	4	30	Vanessa FOLIAKI <b>12</b>
5	1	-	-	4	33	Holli WHEELER <b>13</b>
7	2	-	-	8	-	Sereana NAITOKATOKA <b>14</b>
6	-	-	-	-	-	Harata BUTLER <b>15</b>
7	1	-	-	4	27	Brooke ANDERSON <b>16</b>
7	1	-	-	4	-	Chloe SAUNDERS <b>17</b>
1	-	-	-	-	28	Maddie STUDDON <b>18</b>
-	-	-	-	-	-	Fatafehi HANISI <b>19</b>
5	2	-	-	8	31	Kiana TAKAIRANGI <b>20</b>
2	-	-	-	-	19	Jazmon TUPOU-WITCHMAN <b>21</b>
1	-	-	-	-	20	Fiona JAHNKE <b>22</b>

Tony HERMAN

## FULLBACK

## WING

## CENTRE

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## FIVE-EIGHTH

## HALFBACK

## FRONT ROW

## HOOKER

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## LOCK

## INTERCHANGE

## RESERVES

## COACH

	Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
<b>1</b>	21	7	10	-	-	40
<b>2</b>	25	2	2	-	-	8
<b>3</b>	23	7	1	-	-	4
<b>4</b>	18	6	2	-	-	8
<b>5</b>	24	6	5	-	-	20
<b>6</b>	29	7	2	4	-	16
<b>7</b>	25	7	-	12	-	24
<b>8</b>	21	7	-	-	-	-
<b>9</b>	28	4	-	-	-	-
<b>10</b>	22	6	-	-	-	-
<b>11</b>	-	1	1	-	-	4
<b>12</b>	31	6	1	-	-	4
<b>13</b>	18	7	-	-	-	-
<b>14</b>	21	5	2	-	-	8
<b>15</b>	21	1	-	-	-	-
<b>16</b>	25	5	-	3	-	6
<b>17</b>	31	3	-	-	-	-
<b>18</b>	21	5	1	-	-	4
<b>19</b>	20	4	-	-	-	-
<b>20</b>	25	4	-	-	-	-
<b>21</b>	22	2	2	-	-	8
<b>22</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-

Jamie SOWARD

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	PENALTIES	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	SET RESTARTS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16





# NORTH QUEENSLAND COWBOYS

# CANBERRA RAIDERS

VENUE	CBUS SUPER STADIUM	Belinda SHARPE	REFEREE
LOCATION	YUGAMBEH   ROBINA, QLD	Tori WILKIE, Dan SCHWASS	TOUCH JUDGES
DAY & TIME	SUNDAY 10 SEPTEMBER 2023   11:30AM AEST	Kasey BADGER	NRL BUNKER
HISTORY	First meeting		

P	T	G	FG	Pts	Age		
7	1	-	-	4	20	Fran GOLDTHORP	<b>1</b>
6	3	-	-	12	22	Vitalina NAIKORE	<b>2</b>
7	3	-	-	12	21	Jasmine PETERS	<b>3</b>
6	1	-	-	4	22	Shellie LONG	<b>4</b>
5	1	-	-	4	20	Krystal BLACKWELL	<b>5</b>
4	-	-	-	-	24	Tahlulah TILLET	<b>6</b>
7	-	14	1	29	26	Kirra DIBB	<b>7</b>
7	-	-	-	-	31	Tallisha HARDEN	<b>8</b>
7	2	-	-	8	21	Emma MANZELMANN	<b>9</b>
6	1	-	-	4	20	April NGATUPUNA	<b>22</b>
6	1	-	-	4	21	Bree CHESTER	<b>11</b>
6	1	-	-	4	20	Tiana RAFTSTRAND-SMITH	<b>12</b>
7	1	-	-	4	21	China POLATA	<b>13</b>
4	1	-	-	4	20	Jetaya FAIFUA	<b>14</b>
6	-	-	-	-	20	Sera KOROI	<b>15</b>
1	-	-	-	-	-	Lily PEACOCK	<b>16</b>
5	1	-	-	4	23	Sareka MOOKA	<b>17</b>
3	-	-	-	-	20	Mia MIDDLETON	<b>18</b>
1	-	-	-	-	21	Essay BANU	<b>19</b>
3	-	-	-	-	22	Jessikah REEVES	<b>21</b>
-	-	-	-	-	18	Shaylee JOSEPH	<b>23</b>
-	-	-	-	-	28	Merewalesi ROKOUONO	<b>24</b>

Ben JEFFRIES

## FULLBACK

## WING

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## INTERCHANGE

## RESERVES

## COACH

		Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
<b>1</b>	Apii NICHOLLS-PUALAU	30	6	-	-	-	-
<b>2</b>	Madison BARTLETT	28	7	5	-	-	20
<b>3</b>	Cheyelle ROBINS-RETI	26	7	4	-	-	16
<b>4</b>	Mackenzie WIKI	21	5	-	-	-	-
<b>5</b>	Shakiah TUNGA	26	7	3	-	-	12
<b>6</b>	Zahara TEMARA	26	7	-	18	1	37
<b>7</b>	Ashleigh QUINLAN	28	7	1	-	-	4
<b>8</b>	Grace KEMP	22	7	1	-	-	4
<b>9</b>	Chante TEMARA	22	7	1	-	-	4
<b>10</b>	Sophie HOLYMAN	25	7	1	-	-	4
<b>11</b>	Elise SMITH	30	2	-	-	-	-
<b>12</b>	Hollie-Mae DODD	20	6	1	-	-	4
<b>13</b>	Simaima TAUFA-KAUTAI	29	7	2	-	-	8
<b>14</b>	Emma BARNES	19	3	1	-	-	4
<b>15</b>	Ahllivia INGRAM	22	4	-	-	-	-
<b>16</b>	Kerehitina MATUA	23	6	-	-	-	-
<b>17</b>	Tara REINKE	24	5	-	-	-	-
<b>18</b>	Petesa LIO	20	2	-	-	-	-
<b>19</b>	Ella RYAN	20	1	-	-	-	-
<b>20</b>	Monalisa SOLIOLA	19	6	2	-	-	8
<b>21</b>	Jessica GENTLE	27	2	1	-	-	4
<b>22</b>	Tommaya KELLY-SINES	28	5	-	-	-	-

Darrin BORTHWICK

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	PENALTIES	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
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# GOLD COAST TITANS

# PARRAMATTA EELS

VENUE	CBUS SUPER STADIUM	Rochelle TAMARUA	REFEREE
LOCATION	YUGAMBEH   ROBINA, QLD	Jack EBERT, Jack KLEIN	TOUCH JUDGES
DAY & TIME	SUNDAY 10 SEPTEMBER 2023   1:30PM AEST	Matt NOYEN	NRL BUNKER
HISTORY	Played 2, Gold Coast 1, Parramatta 1. Last met: 2022 Round 4 - Gold Coast 18-16 at AAMI		

P	T	G	FG	Pts	Age		
7	4	-	-	16	28	Evania PELITE	<b>1</b>
5	1	-	-	4	34	Karina BROWN	<b>2</b>
5	2	-	-	8	21	Jaime CHAPMAN	<b>3</b>
7	1	-	-	4	-	Niall WILLIAMS-GUTHRIE	<b>4</b>
6	2	-	-	8	-	Destiny MINO-SINAPATI	<b>5</b>
7	-	2	-	4	-	Chantay KIRIA-RATU	<b>6</b>
7	-	7	2	16	28	Lauren BROWN	<b>7</b>
7	-	-	-	-	25	Shannon MATO	<b>8</b>
7	-	-	-	-	32	Brittany BREAYLEY-NATI	<b>9</b>
7	2	-	-	8	25	Jessika ELLISTON	<b>10</b>
6	1	-	-	4	22	Zara CANFIELD	<b>11</b>
7	1	-	-	4	23	Shaylee BENT	<b>12</b>
7	1	-	-	4	28	Georgia HALE	<b>13</b>
6	1	-	-	4	-	Sienna LOFIPO	<b>14</b>
7	-	-	-	-	41	Stephanie HANCOCK	<b>15</b>
4	-	-	-	-	-	Rilee JORGENSEN	<b>16</b>
3	-	-	-	-	21	Laikha CLARKE	<b>17</b>
3	-	-	-	-	26	Kaitlyn PHILLIPS	<b>18</b>
-	-	-	-	-	-	Sienna LAING	<b>19</b>
2	1	-	-	4	19	Hailee-Jay MAUNSELL	<b>20</b>
3	1	-	-	4	-	Dannii PERESE	<b>21</b>
1	-	-	-	-	24	Taliah FUIMAONO	<b>22</b>

Karyn MURPHY

## FULLBACK

## WING

## CENTRE

## CENTRE

## WING

## FIVE-EIGHTH

## HALFBACK

## FRONT ROW

## HOOKER

## FRONT ROW

## SECOND ROW

## SECOND ROW

## LOCK

## INTERCHANGE

## RESERVES

## COACH

		Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
<b>1</b>	Abbi CHURCH	25	7	1	-	-	4
<b>2</b>	Zali FAY	22	7	2	-	-	8
<b>3</b>	Lindsay TUI	-	2	-	-	-	-
<b>4</b>	Cassey TOHI-HIKU	19	7	2	-	-	8
<b>5</b>	Kimberley HUNT	30	5	4	-	-	16
<b>6</b>	Pihuka BERRYMAN-DUFF	-	7	-	-	-	-
<b>7</b>	Rachael PEARSON	29	4	-	9	-	18
<b>8</b>	Talesha O'NEILL	34	7	-	-	-	-
<b>9</b>	Rueben CHERRINGTON	20	7	1	-	-	4
<b>10</b>	Tyla AMIATU	-	4	-	-	-	-
<b>11</b>	Amelia MAFI	28	7	1	-	-	4
<b>12</b>	Mahalia MURPHY	29	7	3	-	-	12
<b>13</b>	Kennedy CHERRINGTON	24	3	1	-	-	4
<b>14</b>	Taneka TODHUNTER	-	2	-	-	-	-
<b>15</b>	Naoria KAPUA	-	2	-	-	-	-
<b>16</b>	Ruby-Jean KENNARD	20	6	-	-	-	-
<b>17</b>	Jade FONUA	-	3	-	-	-	-
<b>18</b>	Nakia DAVIS-WELSH	27	2	-	-	-	-
<b>19</b>	Kyra SIMON	21	3	-	-	-	-
<b>20</b>	Madeline JONES	-	7	-	-	-	-
<b>21</b>	Monique DONOVAN	-	5	2	-	-	8
<b>22</b>	Capri PAEKAU	-	5	-	-	-	-

Dean WIDDERS

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	PENALTIES	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	SCRUMS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	SET RESTARTS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16



## ROUND 8 PREVIEWS

### SHARKS V DRAGONS, THURSDAY

LACHLAN MCINTYRE

**Southern rivalry reignites with Sharks hosting Dragons.** Quickly we have arrived at the crunch end of the NRLW season, and so the pressure is on for the clubs to deliver results over the final two weeks of the regular rounds. The Cronulla-Sutherland Sharks and the St George Illawarra Dragons are set to clash this Thursday night in Cronulla to open the round, with the two teams just one spot and two competition points apart on the ladder. Cronulla-Sutherland are facing an uphill battle to take their campaign past the home-and-away season, sitting four points outside of the finals with just two games to play. To stay alive into round nine, they'd need to win, plus hope that Brisbane and Canberra lose their respective games to lower-ranked teams. The Sharks are coming off their own narrow loss to Brisbane, a game which may leave the club wondering what could've been had they been able to close the four point deficit late.

### TIGERS V BRONCOS, SATURDAY

BETH NICHOLLS

**The West Tigers are looking to find a glimmer of hope after losing their past five games in a row, where they take on the Broncos for the first time in their inaugural NRLW season.** After losing to the Titans last week, the Tigers have now lost five matches in a row, and with only two games remaining in the regular season, they have now been ruled out of any opportunity to play in the 2023 finals series. Rikeya Horne and Kezie Apps both return to the side after suffering concussions, along with Sarah Togatuki who served a one-match suspension. Horne replaces Rebecca Pollard in the centres, whilst the return of Apps forces Bianca Bennetts out of the starting 17, and Sophie Curtain back onto

### KNIGHTS V ROOSTERS, SATURDAY

KELLY HOLLIS

**This round sees the top two NRLW teams going head to head, but only one can come out on top.** During their Round 7 match against the Parramatta Eels, the Sydney Roosters put on another try-scoring display racking up 8 tries to walk out of Industree Group Stadium in Gosford 46 to 12 victors. In a similar fashion to the week before, tries were scored across the park with six different players getting over the stripe with Otesa Pule and Jess Sergis both bagging a double. Jocelyn Kelleher had a much more successful day with the boot only missing one of her 8 conversion attempts. The only major blight on the tricolour's impressive performance was a hand injury sustained by Sergis as she scored her second try. Unfortunately, she will now need to undergo surgery for a fractured finger and as a result, will likely miss this weekend's match even though she has been named on the bench. The Newcastle Knights were able to hold off a fast-starting Canberra Raiders in their clash at GIO Stadium. The first 20 minutes saw both teams going set for set until the Raiders broke the try-scoring drought, running in two tries before the half-time buzzer sounded. Although the Knights went into the break 10 points down it didn't take them long to chase down and overtake the

### COWBOYS V RAIDERS, SUNDAY

JOSH ROBERTSON

**The first of Sunday's NRLW double-header from the Gold Coast sees two sides with differing fortunes this season as the Cowboys play "host" to the Raiders at Cbus Super Stadium.** North Queensland showed a lot of promise on paper but have had a disappointing season as they sit down in ninth spot with just two wins from their first seven games. Despite their poor season, the Cowboys have been able to pull off a key win against the Knights which shows they can pull off big wins. Last weekend, the Cowboys were back in Townsville but the home ground advantage didn't help them as they fell to a 48-16 defeat against the St George Illawarra Dragons last week. The North Queenslanders were comprehensively outplayed as they struggled in the first half as the Red 'V' opened a 28-6 half time lead that was unassailable for North

Queensland who couldn't close the gap. The Cowboys have lost Makenzie Weale through suspension for the remainder of the season, April Ngatupuna comes into the starting side in jersey 22 in the only change to the starting line-up. Sareka Mooka comes onto the interchange bench. Sitting outside the top 4, Canberra are in fifth spot with their spot only wiped out by a negative for and against as opposed to the Broncos, who are 84 points better off on for and against. The Raiders' strong start to the season has been torpedoed by two big losses against the Broncos and Knights in the past fortnight. Having scored the opening two tries for the second week in a row, Canberra struggled to hold onto their advantage as they were chased down with their 10-0 halftime lead wiped away as the Knights outscored the Raiders 20-2 in the second half to hand the Green Machine a concerning 20-12 loss which yet again came after a strong start. They have several changes all to their bench with Emma Barnes, Ahlivia Ingram and Tara Reinke all coming onto the bench for

the bench. Imogen Gobran also drops out of the side after filling in for Togatuki last week. After having a rough start to the season, the Broncos have now won two in a row and are sitting inside the top four, on the hunt to play finals again after missing out in 2022, where they only won one of five games played. Brisbane have named an unchanged side to who defeated the Sharks last week, with Grace Griffen and Jasmine Fogavini included in the extended team. **Player To Watch:** Brisbane veteran halfback and captain, Ali Briginshaw, has been playing some of her best footy, and has been an integral part of the Broncos side. This season she has scored four of her own tries, as well as assist with four and make three line break assists. She currently leads the competition in points scored, with a total of 60. Having previously played for Australia in the World Rugby Sevens

deficit, scoring 3 of their own tries in just 10 minutes. Jesse Southwell had another stellar outing with her boot, slotting all of her attempts from all over the park. Tamika Upton led from the front, once again, running over 230 metres while also making seven line breaks and seven tackle breaks. The Round 8 top-of-the-table clash will see the Newcastle Knights host the Sydney Roosters in the second game of an NRLW double-header at McDonald Jones Stadium on Saturday afternoon. In what is set to be an electrifying game of football, both teams will be looking to get their hands firmly around the two points on offer and keep the minor premiership within reach. The home side has the benefit of fielding the same 17 players that travelled to the national capital with Sheridan Gallagher only receiving a warning from the judiciary after she was placed on report for a high tackle in last week's game. The Roosters side will be without Jillaroo Sergis, however, all is not lost as she will be replaced by Jayme Fressard who has a wealth of NRLW experience. Mia Wood retains her place on the wing and will be looking to score her 5th try in just her third game. This game could really go either way with both sides showing absolute class across the park and only dropping one game each in the 2023 season - with the Roosters falling short of the Raiders and the Knights going down to the Cowboys, both in Round 2. Although both sides have won the same number of games

and are on the same number of premiership points, the Roosters are far above the Knights in terms of points differential. Across the season so far, the Sydney side have accumulated 240 points to Newcastle's 176. The Roosters' defence also seems to be in a slightly better position, only allowing their opponents to score 84 points - an average of only 12 points per game. **Player To Watch:** 2022 Dally M Prop of the Year Millie Boyle will be going up against her old club for the first time. This often results in players taking their game to the next level so don't be surprised if the first-season Rooster has a barnstorming game. As it stands she is already running over 160 metres and averaging 30 tackles per game with a 93% tackle efficiency. Newcastle winger Jasmin Strange will not only be playing against her old side but she will also be playing against her dad, John, who is the coach of the Roosters NRLW side. It will be interesting to see how she goes. Will this be her chance to add a third try to her 2023 tally? **TIP:** It's really hard to go past the Roosters, considering that they have put 94 points on their last two opponents alone. The Knights may enjoy the home-ground advantage having won 6 out of their 8 matches there, while the Roosters have only experienced a win once. When all's said and done though, I think the tri-colours will easily walk away with this one. **Roosters by 16.**

**Player To Watch:** Cronulla Sharks fullback Jada Taylor is enjoying a breakout first season in the NRLW. After making her debut with the Roosters last season, she has started at fullback in four of her side's games this year, including in both of their victories. Taylor is known for her 110m try scored for NSW U19s at Leichhardt Oval, and as such her name had been hovering around the rugby league psyche for a while before she cracked the top grade. At just 20 years of age, she has a lot of potential to fill over the length of her career. Opposition fullback Teagan Berry will be wanting to one up Taylor on the weekend. The Dragons star holds a wealth of experience compared with the Sharks number one, even though Berry is only 21. Having made her debut all the way back in 2020, Berry enjoyed a rapid rise from Tarsha Gale Cup, and took over the starting fullback role at the Dragons only this year. Berry is currently atop of the try scorer list for 2023, with ten tries in just seven appearances, and she'll be looking for opportunities to add to that tally this Thursday. **TIP:** With so much to play for, I think the Dragons will get up in front of a hostile away crowd. **Dragons by 14.**

before joining the Knights in 2022 and then joining the Tigers in 2023, Jakiya Whitfield is a speedy outside back who plays on the right wing. This year she has scored three tries, where she scored her first ever against try plus a double the Eels in Round 1. Whitfield shares the lead for the club for total line breaks with a total of eight across all seven games so far. **TIP:** The Broncos have gotten on a role recently, currently winning two on the trot and have everything to play for. Despite winning the opening two matches the Tigers have struggled to create a cohesive attack, leading them to lose five games on the trot. This game is a perfect opportunity for Brisbane to win and put pressure on the Raiders on the race towards finals. I have total faith in my Broncos girls. **Broncos by 16.**

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Canberra. The three additions to the bench sees Monalisa Soliola and Jess Gentle dropping back to the reserves.

**Player To Watch:** Star English fullback Fran Goldthorp has had a mixed season for the Cowboys with lots of promise but hasn't really delivered so far this season. They will need her to have a strong game at the back to lead them onto the right foot to finish off the season strongly. Canberra half Zahara Temara has broken NRLW records this season and has been strong but will be the main key to the Green Machine stopping their slump in form. They need her experience and poise to ensure that they can finish their season with back-to-back wins and make the finals in their first season. **TIP:** The must-win nature of the game for the Raiders should mean that they have extra urgency to win this and they should do it up against a Cowboys side that has struggled. The Raiders can start strong and if they build on it they could build up a score against North Queensland. **Raiders by 20.**

**TITANS V EELS, SUNDAY**

**ANDY P**

**Titans are keen to keep a grip on form as Eels stand in their way to a finals berth.** An opportunity is looming for the Gold Coast Titans as they set their sights on a finals berth, and it's the bottom-of-the-ladder Parramatta Eels that will try to stand in their way this Sunday at Cbus Stadium. The out-of-form Eels have been leaking an average of almost 30 points a match in their last five games, winning only one of those games in Round 6 against the Cowboys. Coach Dean Widders said after last round's convincing 12-46 loss to the Roosters, he was still pleased with how young leaders were coming out during the tough times and knows the team will learn lessons to take into next year's campaign. The Eels will be boosted with the return from suspension of

Kennedy Cherrington, who has served a four-match ban. Georgia Gale will be captaining out a Titans team coming off back-to-back wins who are starting to get belief at the right end of the season. Coach Karyn Murphy has seen fit to keep the team unchanged, who took it to the Wests Tigers 16-4 last round. While Jaime Chapman saw an early exit to that game via a HIA, she has been cleared to play for the final home game of the regular season for the Titans. Both teams will head into the last game of the round on Sunday with a win a piece, giving one team a chance at finals glory and another a chance to dodge the wooden spoon and finish the season on a high note. Parramatta may not make the finals, but they still have a chance to scrap off the bottom and not get the wooden spoon, as only two points separate the Eels from three teams above them. With a win over the struggling Eels, the Titans

would secure a top-four spot on the ladder and a chance to make the finals for a second swing of the bat after finishing last in 2022. **Player To Watch:** Shannon Mato is leading most post-contact metres at 569 metres this season and put that on display last round, putting 126 of those metres on against Wests. Jaime Chapman is a potent weapon on the outside and will be ready to get anything Lauren Brown passe or kicks her way. NSW Origin and Australian representative Kennedy Cherrington will be keen to find a win after a tough season for the team that Cherrington has had to watch from the sideline for the last four games. She will bring some spirit to the attack in the middle and some experience for the team to rally behind. **TIP:** Eels will be keen to notch up a win at all costs, but will find it tough against the in-form and hungry Titans on home turf. **Titans by 12**

# NRLW RESULTS ROUND 7

**NEWCASTLE (W) 20** (S. Gallagher, G. Roche, J. Southwell tries; J. Southwell 4 goals) **DEFEATED CANBERRA (W) 12** (M. Bartlett 2 tries; Z. Temara 2 goals) **AT GIO STADIUM. Date: Sat, 2nd September. Kickoff: 11:05 AM. Halftime: Canberra (W) 10-0. Penalties: 6-all. Referee: Wyatt Raymond. Crowd: 1,962. CANBERRA (W):** Nicholls-Pualau, Bartlett, Robins-Reti, Wiki, Tungai; Temara (C), Quinlan; Taufa-Kautai, Temara, Holyman, Smith, Soliola, Dodd. Int: Kemp, Matua, Lio, Gentle. **NEWCASTLE (W):** Upton, Gallagher, Parker, Roache, Strange; Roche, Southwell; Predebon, Higgins, Johnston, Jones, Clydsdale, Southwell (C). Int: Maynard, Romaniuk, Davison, Tinao.

**BRISBANE (W) 32** (G. Broughton 2, D. Brill, H. Maddick, A. Nu'uausala, J. Robinson tries; A. Briggins 4 goals) **DEFEATED CRONULLA (W) 28** (E. Johnston, S. Naitokatoka, G. Ravics, J. Taylor, E. Tonegato tries; T. Preston 4 goals) **AT QUEENSLAND COUNTRY BANK STADIUM. Date: Sat, 2nd September. Kickoff: 12:50 PM. Halftime: Brisbane (W) 16-10. Penalties: Cronulla (W) 8-2. Referee: Nick Pelgrave. BRISBANE (W):** Maddick, Robinson, Hufanga, Ciesiolka, Werner; Broughton, Briggins (C); Nu'uausala, Brill, Clark, Gray, Teitzel, Storch. Int: Ferguson, Lafaele, Lenarduzzi, Dam. **CRONULLA (W):** Taylor, Ravics, Penitani (C), Staples, Takairangi; Tonegato, Preston; Johnston, Dodd, Dymock, Holmes, Foliaki, Wheeler. Int: Saunders, Naitokatoka, Butler, Anderson.

**ST GEORGE ILLA (W) 48** (T. Mapusua 2, T. Berry, Z. Hopkins, E. Koster, S. Lendill, M. Mulhall, M. Vella, M. Weatherall tries; R. McGregor 6 goals) **DEFEATED NORTH QLD (W) 16** (K. Blackwell, F. Goldthorp, V. Naikore tries; K. Dibb 2 goals) **AT QUEENSLAND COUNTRY BANK STADIUM. Date: Sat, 2nd September. Kickoff: 3:10 PM. Halftime: St George Illa (W) 28-6. Penalties: St George Illa (W) 7-3. Referee: Liam Kennedy. NORTH QLD (W):** Goldthorp, Naikore, Peters, Long, Blackwell; Tillett, Dibb (C); Harden, Manzelmann, Ngatupuna, Chester, Raftstrand-Smith, Polata. Int: Weale, Faifua, Koroi, Peacock. **ST GEORGE ILLA (W):** Berry, Vella, Lendill, Amone, Mapusua; Nathan-Wong, McGregor (C); Murdoch-Masila, Targett, McGrath-West, Koster, Mulhall, Tauaneai. Int: Teakaraanga Katoa, Bright, Hopkins, Weatherall.

**GOLD COAST (W) 16** (G. Hale, E. Pelite, D. Perese tries; L. Brown 2 goals) **DEFEATED WESTS TIGERS (W) 4** (R. Pollard try) **AT CBUS SUPER STADIUM. Date: Sun, 3rd September. Kickoff: 12:03 PM. Halftime: Gold Coast (W) 6-4. Penalties: Wests Tigers (W) 8-7. Referee: Rochelle Tamarua. GOLD COAST (W):** Pelite, Brown, Chapman, Williams-Guthrie, Mino-Sinapati; Kiria-Ratu, Brown, Mato, Breayley-Nati, Elliston, Canfield, Bent, Hale (C). Int: Lofipo, Hancock, Jorgensen, Perese. **WESTS TIGERS (W):** Vette-Welsh (C), Whitfeld, Pollard, Tufuga, Staines; Piliae-Rasabale, Talatana; Gobran, Nour, Pio, Curtain, Siilata, George. Int: Prior, Bennetts, Kennedy, Tevaga.

**SYDNEY (W) 46** (O. Pule 2, J. Sergis 2, K. Davis, K. Hopoate, A. Pasikala, M. Wood tries; J. Kelleher 7 goals) **DEFEATED PARRAMATTA (W) 12** (K. Hunt, M. Murphy tries; R. Pearson 2 goals) **AT INDUSTREE GROUP STADIUM. Date: Sun, 3rd September. Kickoff: 1:50 PM. Halftime: Sydney (W) 22-2. Penalties: Parramatta (W) 6-3. Referee: Darian Furner. Crowd: 3,756. SYDNEY (W):** Baxter, Parker, Sergis, Kelly (C), Wood; Aiken, Kelleher; Boyle, Davis, Hill-Moana, Pule, Kernick, Joseph. Int: Morris, Hamilton, Hopoate, Pasikala. **PARRAMATTA (W):** Church, Fay, Tui, Tohi-Hiiku, Hunt; Berryman-Duff, Pearson (C); Quinn, Cherrington, Amiatu, Mafi, Murphy, Fonua. Int: Kapua, Kennard, Jones, Todhunter.

## MATCH REVIEW & JUDICIARY NRLW ROUND 7

Player	Club	Grade	Charge	Base	Offence #	Guilty	Early plea	Plea	Result
Sheridan GALLAGHER	Newcastle	1	Careless High Tackle	1 match	1st	1 match	Warning	Guilty - early plea	Warning
Tiana RAFTSTRAND-SMITH	North Queensland	1	Dangerous Contact	1 match	1st	1 match	Warning	Guilty - early plea	Warning
Makenzie WEALE	North Queensland	3	Dangerous Contact	3 matches	1st	3 matches	2 matches	Guilty at panel	3 matches
Sienna LOFIPO	Gold Coast	1	Contrary Conduct	1 match	1st	1 match	Warning	Guilty - early plea	Warning
Lindsay TUI	Parramatta	1	Dangerous Contact	1 match	1st	1 match	Warning	Guilty - early plea	Warning
Olivia KERNICK	Sydney	1	Careless High Tackle	1 match	1st	1 match	Warning	Guilty - early plea	Warning

# Offences counted for the previous twelve months    ^ Denotes 3 year incident free discount    ~ Can opt for fine instead of suspension

# NRLW 2023 LADDER & LEADERS AFTER ROUND 7

PREMIERSHIP LADDER		Home							Away							Total							
Pos	Team	P	W	L	D	F	A	PD	P	W	L	D	F	A	PD	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	PD
1.	SYDNEY (W)	3	3	-	-	124	22	102	4	3	1	-	116	62	54	7	6	1	-	240	84	12	+156
2.	NEWCASTLE (W)	5	4	1	-	118	91	27	2	2	-	-	58	16	42	7	6	1	-	176	107	12	+69
3.	GOLD COAST (W)	3	2	1	-	40	40	0	4	3	1	-	60	68	-8	7	5	2	-	100	108	10	-8
4.	BRISBANE (W)	5	3	2	-	128	101	27	2	1	1	-	60	34	26	7	4	3	-	188	135	8	+53
5.	CANBERRA (W)	4	3	1	-	92	78	14	3	1	2	-	41	86	-45	7	4	3	-	133	164	8	-31
6.	ST GEORGE ILLA (W)	3	1	2	-	78	54	24	4	2	2	-	84	94	-10	7	3	4	-	162	148	6	+14
7.	CRONULLA (W)	3	1	2	-	48	60	-12	4	1	3	-	82	76	6	7	2	5	-	130	136	4	-6
8.	WESTS TIGERS (W)	2	1	1	-	26	20	6	5	1	4	-	84	116	-32	7	2	5	-	110	136	4	-26
9.	NORTH QLD (W)	4	1	3	-	56	140	-84	3	1	2	-	49	52	-3	7	2	5	-	105	192	4	-87
10.	PARRAMATTA (W)	3	1	2	-	28	86	-58	4	-	4	-	58	134	-76	7	1	6	-	86	220	2	-134

## TOP TRYSCORERS

Rank	Player	Team	P	T
1	Teagan BERRY	St George Illawarra	7	10
2	Mele HUFANGA	Brisbane	7	8
3	Jess SERGIS	Sydney	6	7

## TOP POINTSCORERS

^ denotes 1 x two point field goal

Rank	Player	Team	P	T	G	FG	Pts
1	Ali BRIGGINSHAW	Brisbane	7	4	22	-	60
2	Jocelyn KELLEHER	Sydney	7	1	26	-	56
=	Jesse SOUTHWELL	Newcastle	7	2	24	-	56
4	Teagan BERRY	St George Illawarra	7	10	-	-	40

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## 2023 FIXTURES

ROUND 1							
Jul 22nd	Sat 12:50pm	Gold Coast	16	North QLD	6	Cbus	7,926
Jul 22nd	Sat 3:10pm	Newcastle	32	St George Illa	16	McDonald Jones	8,109
Jul 22nd	Sat 7:45pm	Brisbane	18	Sydney	36	Sunshine Coast	2,832
Jul 23rd	Sun 12:00pm	Parramatta	8	West's Tigers	36	CommBank	2,095
Jul 23rd	Sun 1:50pm	Cronulla	28	Canberra	14	Pointsbet	10,634
ROUND 2							
Jul 27th	Thu 5:40pm	Brisbane	16	Gold Coast	17	The Gabba	7,279
Jul 29th	Sat 12:45pm	Canberra	24	Sydney	14	GIO Stadium	8,034
JUL 29TH	Sat 3:10pm	St George Illa	38	Parramatta	12	WIN Stadium	5,872
Jul 30th	Sun 12:00pm	Newcastle	20	North QLD	31	Belmore	1,584
Jul 30th	Sun 1:50pm	West's Tigers	10	Cronulla	0	Belmore	2,196
ROUND 3							
Aug 3rd	Thu 5:40pm	Sydney	30	St George Illa	0	SCG	4,201
Aug 5th	Sat 12:50pm	North QLD	12	Brisbane	40	QLD Country Bank	22,659*
Aug 5th	Sat 3:10pm	Cronulla	8	Gold Coast	10	Pointsbet	3,021
Aug 6th	Sun 12:00pm	Parramatta	4	Newcastle	38	CommBank	23,596*
Aug 6th	Sun 1:50pm	Canberra	28	West's Tigers	22	GIO Stadium	7,140
ROUND 4							
Aug 12th	Sat 11:05am	St George Illa	18	Canberra	19	WIN Stadium	1,521
Aug 12th	Sat 12:40pm	North QLD	16	West's Tigers	12	Totally Workwear	1,173
Aug 12th	Sat 3:10pm	Brisbane	22	Parramatta	10	Totally Workwear	1,811
Aug 13th	Sun 12:00pm	Cronulla	12	Sydney	36	Pointsbet	1,920
Aug 13th	Sun 1:50pm	Newcastle	22	Gold Coast	10	McDonald Jones	12,889
ROUND 5							
Aug 19th	Sat 11:05am	North QLD	12	Cronulla	40	QLD Country Bank	-
Aug 19th	Sat 12:50pm	West's Tigers	16	St George Illa	20	CommBank	-
AUG 19TH	Sat 3:10pm	Gold Coast	8	Sydney	30	Cbus	6,943
Aug 20th	Sun 12:00pm	Newcastle	22	Brisbane	20	McDonald Jones	17,043
Aug 20th	Sun 1:50pm	Canberra	28	Parramatta	22	GIO Stadium	-

ROUND 6							
Aug 26th	Sat 11:05am	Parramatta	16	North QLD	12	Netstrata	520
Aug 26th	Sat 1:15pm	St George Illa	22	Gold Coast	23	Netstrata	1,312
Aug 26th	Sat 3:10pm	Sydney	48	West's Tigers	10	Allianz	8,161
Aug 27th	Sun 12:00pm	Brisbane	40	Canberra	8	Totally Workwear	1,692
Aug 27th	Sun 1:50pm	Newcastle	22	Cronulla	14	McDonald Jones	19,519
ROUND 7							
Sep 2nd	Sat 11:05am	Canberra	12	Newcastle	20	GIO Stadium	1,962
Sep 2nd	Sat 12:50pm	Brisbane	32	Cronulla	28	QLD Country Bank	1,478
Sep 2nd	Sat 3:10pm	North QLD	16	St George Illa	48	QLD Country Bank	2,479
Sep 3rd	Sun 12:00pm	Gold Coast	16	West's Tigers	4	Cbus	4,790
Sep 3rd	Sun 1:50pm	Sydney	46	Parramatta	12	Industree Group	3,756
ROUND 8							
Sep 7th	Thu 7:45pm	Cronulla		St George Illa		Pointsbet	
Sep 9th	Sat 11:30am	West's Tigers		Brisbane		McDonald Jones	
Sep 9th	Sat 1:30pm	Newcastle		Sydney		McDonald Jones	
Sep 10th	Sun 11:30am	North QLD		Canberra		Cbus	
Sep 10th	Sun 1:30pm	Gold Coast		Parramatta		Cbus	
ROUND 9							
Sep 14th	Thu 7:45pm	West's Tigers		Newcastle		Campbelltown	
Sep 16th	Sat 1:05pm	Sydney		North QLD		Netstrata	
Sep 16th	Sat 3:15pm	St George Illa		Brisbane		Netstrata	
Sep 17th	Sun 1:05pm	Parramatta		Cronulla		GIO Stadium	
Sep 17th	Sun 3:15pm	Canberra		Gold Coast		GIO Stadium	
SEMI FINALS							
22 / 23 Sep	Semi Final 1	1st	v	4th		Venue TBC	
22 / 23 Sep	Semi Final 2	2nd	v	3rd		Venue TBC	
GRAND FINAL							
Oct 1st	Sun Time TBC	Winner SF 1	v	Winner SF 2		Venue TBC	

\* crowd figure supplied for NRL-NRLW double header

# NSWRL FINALS TEAMLISTS & RESULTS

## KNOCK-ON EFFECT NSW CUP FINALS WEEK 2

### MINOR SEMI FINAL | WARRIORS V CANBERRA RAIDERS

Sat September 9 2023, 1:00pm at Leichhardt Oval, Lilyfield / Wanngal

**WARRIORS:** 1. Setu Tu 2. Moala Graham-Taufa 3. Ali Leiataua 4. Brayden Wiliame 5. Edward Kosi 6. Ben Farr 7. Ronald Volkman 8. Tanner Stowers-Smith 9. Paul Roache 10. James Gavet 11. Kalani Going 12. Jacob Laban 13. Tom Ale 14. Michael Sio 15. Isaiah Vagana 16. Zyon Mai'u 17. Maia Sands

**CANBERRA:** 1. Chevy Stewart 2. Utuloa Asouma 3. Harley Smith-Shields 4. Brad Morkos 5. Xavier Savage 6. Ethan Strange 7. Joshua James 15. Jake Clydsdale 20. Danny Levi 23. Logan Lewis 11. Clay Webb 19. Jed Stuart 21. Mitchell Spencer 9. Adrian Trevilyan 10. Tane Kiriona 16. Jayden Clarkson 22. Joseph Roddy 14. Mitch Henderson

Referee: Kieren Irons; Sideline Officials: Liam Nicholls, Nathan Loveday;

### MAJOR SEMI FINAL | NORTH SYDNEY BEARS V SOUTH SYDNEY RABBITOHS

Sat September 9 2023, 5:00pm at Leichhardt Oval, Lilyfield / Wanngal

**NORTH SYDNEY:** 1. Josh Bergamin 2. Allan Fitzgibbon 3. Robert Toia 4. Toa Mata'afa 5. Alfred Smalley 6. Jesse Marschke 7. Ben Stevanovic 8. Regan Hughes 9. Tyrann Ott 10. Kurt De Luis 11. Elie El-Zakhem 12. Reuben Porter 13. Zach Dockar-Clay 14. Ben Marschke 15. Ben Thomas 16. Jerry Key 17. Ben Talty

**SOUTH SYDNEY:** 1. Jacob Gagai 2. Tom Carr 3. Izaac Tu'itupou Thompson 4. Josiah Karapani 5. Tyrone Munro 6. Dion Teampa 7. Dean Hawkins 8. Shaquai Mitchell 9. Peter Mamouzelos 10. Brock Gray 11. Ben Lovett 12. Ethan O'Neill 13. Tallis Duncan 14. Shannon Gardiner 17. Yileen Gordon 21. Matthew French 22. Jaxson Rahme 18. Tristian Alvarado 19. Leonard Skelton

Referee: Cameron Paddy; Sideline Officials: Nick Beashel, Tom Cambourn

## RESULTS - FINALS WEEK 1

### Major Preliminary Semi Final (2 v 3)

**South Sydney Rabbitohs (26)** Tries: Brock Gray, Jacob Gagai, Matt French, Dion Teampa; Goals: Dean Hawkins 5/5 def **Warriors (12)** Tries: James Gavet, Tanner Stowers-Smith; Goals: Eiden Ackland 2/2 at **North Sydney Oval, North Sydney / Cammeraygal**

### Minor Preliminary Semi Final (4 v 5)

**Canberra Raiders (24)** Tries: James Schiller 2, Peter Hola, Chevy Stewart; Goals: Chevy Stewart 4/5 def **Blacktown Workers Sea Eagles (22)** Tries: Kaeo Weekes 2, Jacob Sykes 2; Goals: Jamie Humphreys 3/4 at **North Sydney Oval, North Sydney / Cammeraygal**

## U21 JERSEY FLEGG CUP FINALS WEEK 2

### MINOR SEMI FINAL | CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND SHARKS V PARRAMATTA EELS

Sat September 9 2023, 11:00am at Leichhardt Oval, Lilyfield / Wanngal

**CRONULLA:** 1. Siteni Taukamo 2. Samuel Stonestreet 3. Noah Lester 4. Chris Veaila 5. Kristian Dixon 6. Tully Wilton 7. Manaia Waitere 8. Lachlan Crouch 9. Samuel Healey 10. Salesi Ataata 11. Toby Boothroyd 12. JT Manuafetoa 13. Blake Hosking 14. Kobie Wilson 15. Jayden Foye 16. Max Bradbury 17. Ethan Cocco 18. Paaua Papuni-Abbott 19. Te Wehi Waitere 20. Benjamin Lavender

**PARRAMATTA:** 1. Apa Twidle 2. Matthew Komolafe 3. Samuel Loizou 4. Blaize Talagi 5. John Martin 6. Joshua Lynn 7. Ethan Sanders 8. Brock Parker 9. Matthew Arthur 10. Jontay-Junior Betham-Misa 11. Jock Brazel 12. Max Topou 13. Nicholas Lenaz 14. Charlie Guymy 15. Sam Tuivaiti 16. William Latu 17. Noah Reed 18. Saxon Pryke 19. Lachlan Blackburn 20. Araz Nanva 21. Lance Fualema 22. Richard Penisini

Referee: Jake Sutherland; Sideline Officials: Cameron Turner, John Woods;

### MAJOR SEMI FINAL | SYDNEY ROOSTERS V CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN BULLDOGS

Sat September 9 2023, 3:00pm at Leichhardt Oval, Lilyfield / Wanngal

**SYDNEY:** 1. Owen Flaherty 2. Vaiala Tamati 3. Kyrton Fekitoa 4. Jordan Swann 5. Tavita Henare-Schuster 6. Jake Elliott 7. Braith Alexander 8. Corey Ross 9. Alan Holten 10. Watasoni Waqanisaravi 11. Phoenix Steinwede 12. Max McCathie 13. Caleb Tohi 14. Angus Fahey 15. Salesi Foketi 16. Sione Vaenuku 17. Taylor Logan 18. Lafi Tuinauvai 19. Blake Steep 20. Jack Smith

**CANTERBURY:** 1. Joash Papalii 2. Jordi Mazzone 3. Danny Gabrael 4. Eli Clark 5. William Afualo 6. Karl Oloapu 7. Joseph O'Neil 8. Jack Todd 9. Reuben Moyle 10. Lipoi Hopoi 11. Harry Hayes 12. Luke Smith 13. Damon Marshall 14. Jonah Glover 15. Tim Johannssen 16. Fahmy Toilalo 24. Lajuan Vito 19. Joseph Teampa 17. Epele Sukanaivalu 20. Jonathan Sua

Referee: Damian Brady; Sideline Officials: Karra-Lee Nolan, Mitchell Currie;

## RESULTS - FINALS WEEK 1

**Minor Preliminary Semi Final (4 v 5): Parramatta Eels (30)** Tries: Brock Parker, Matthew Komolafe, Ethan Sanders, Sam Tuivaiti, Blaize Talagi; Goals: Ethan Sanders 5/5 def **Penrith Panthers (20)** Tries: Peter Taateo, Harrison Hassett, Samuel Lane, Riley Wake; Goals: Timothy Sielaff-Burns 2/3 at **North Sydney Oval, North Sydney / Cammeraygal**

**Major Preliminary Semi Final (2 v 3): Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs (44)** Tries: Timothy Johannssen 2, Joash Papalii, Luke Smith, Eli Clark, William Afualo, Fahmy Toilalo; Goals: Joash Papalii 8/8 def **Cronulla-Sutherland Sharks (22)** Tries: Siteni Taukamo 2, Blake Hosking, Kristian Dixon; Goals: Kristian Dixon 3/4 at **Netstrata Jubilee Stadium, Carlton / Bidjigal**

## LCA RON MASSEY CUP GRAND FINAL 2023 PREMIERS: ST MARYS



**St Marys (40)** Tries: Joe Vaegau, Steven Tavita, Tony Satini, Stuart Mason, Christian Crichton, Masi Fidow, David Fale; Goals: Zac Greene 5, Jake Rafferty-Butfield 1 def **Wentworthville Magpies (12)** Tries: Dylan Smith, Keaton Walkington-Meads; Goals: Liam O'Brien 1, Dylan White 1 at **Netstrata Jubilee Stadium, Carlton / Bidjigal**

## L.U. 2023 KOE NSW CUP FINALS

**WEEK 1 SATURDAY 2 SEPTEMBER**

**QUALIFYING FINAL**  
2<sup>ND</sup> SOUTH SYDNEY 26  
3<sup>RD</sup> WARRIORS 12  
NORTH SYDNEY OVAL, 1PM

**ELIMINATION FINAL**  
4<sup>TH</sup> CANBERRA 24  
5<sup>TH</sup> BLACKTOWN 22  
NORTH SYDNEY OVAL, 3PM

**WEEK 2 SATURDAY 9 SEPTEMBER**

**MAJOR SEMI FINAL**  
1<sup>ST</sup> NORTH SYDNEY  
SOUTH SYDNEY  
LEICHHARDT, 5PM

**MINOR SEMI FINAL**  
WARRIORS  
CANBERRA  
LEICHHARDT, 1PM

**WEEK 3**  
PRELIMINARY FINAL, SAT 16 SEP TBC  
loser NOR-SOU  
v winner WAR-CAN  
LEICHHARDT OVAL

**GRAND FINAL**  
SUN 24 SEP, TIME TBC  
winner NOR-SOU  
v winner PRELIM FINAL  
COMMBANK STADIUM

WINNER PROCEEDS TO NRL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP, ACCOR STADIUM, SUN 1 OCT

## L.U. 2023 JERSEY FLEGG FINALS

**WEEK 1 SATURDAY 2 SEPTEMBER**

**QUALIFYING FINAL**  
2<sup>ND</sup> CANTERBURY 44  
3<sup>RD</sup> CRONULLA 22  
NETSTRATA JUBILEE, 11AM

**ELIMINATION FINAL**  
4<sup>TH</sup> PENRITH 20  
5<sup>TH</sup> PARRAMATTA 30  
NORTH SYDNEY OVAL, 11AM

**WEEK 2 SATURDAY 9 SEPTEMBER**

**MAJOR SEMI FINAL**  
1<sup>ST</sup> SYDNEY  
CANTERBURY  
LEICHHARDT, 3PM

**MINOR SEMI FINAL**  
CRONULLA  
PARRAMATTA  
LEICHHARDT, 11AM

**WEEK 3**  
PRELIMINARY FINAL, SAT 16 SEP TBC  
loser SYD-CBY  
v winner CRO-PAR  
LEICHHARDT OVAL

**GRAND FINAL**  
SUN 24 SEP, TIME TBC  
winner SYD-CBY  
v winner PRELIM FINAL  
COMMBANK STADIUM

## SYDNEY SHIELD GRAND FINAL 2023 PREMIERS: HILLS BULLS



**Hills Bulls (34)** Tries: Thomas Watson 2, Damon Smith, Dylan Marshall, Kruz Niutili-Schmidt, Ceiza James; Goals: Bradley Avery 5 def **St Marys (30)** Tries: Michael Tuavao 3, Jedd Gordon, Daniel Sykes, Sadee Sub Laban; Goals: Riley Stokes 3 at **Netstrata Jubilee Stadium, Carlton / Bidjigal**

# QRL FINALS TEAMLISTS & RESULTS

## HOSTPLUS CUP | PRELIMINARY FINALS

### PRELIMINARY FINAL | BURLEIGH BEARS V WYNNUM MANLY SEAGULLS

Sat September 9 2023, 2:00pm at UAA Park, Miami / Yugambah

**BURLEIGH:** 1. Creedence Toia 2. Tony Francis 3. Sami Sauluma 4. Kea Pere 5. Dante Lusio 6. Tyrone Roberts 7. Guy Hamilton 8. Iszac Fa'asumaleau 9. Pat Politoni 10. Emry Pere 11. Joshua Patston 12. Hayden Schwass 13. Sam Coster 14. Tom Steadman 15. Vaka Sikahale 16. Dylan Kelly 17. Matthew Koellner 10. Josiah Pahulu

**WYNNUM MANLY:** 1. Matthew Milson 2. Blake Anders 15. Bailey Hartwig 4. Stanford Talita 5. Joshua Simm 6. Will Parslow 7. Brendan O'Hagan 8. Jack Martin 9. Oliver Pascoe 10. Cooper Page-Wilson 11. Darius Farmer 12. Joshua Stuckey 13. Luke Gale 14. Kalolo Saitaua 16. William Samuel 17. Caius Faatili 20. Kyle Foxwell 18. Kitron Laka

Referee: Jarrod Cole; Sideline Officials: Dan Munroe, Jack Klein; Video Referee: Nick Morel;

### PRELIMINARY FINAL | BRISBANE TIGERS V CENTRAL QLD CAPRAS

Sun September 10 2023, 2:00pm at Totally Workwear Stadium, Coorparoo / Turrbal

**BRISBANE:** 1. Corey Thompson 2. Max Lehmann 3. Solomona Faataape 4. Reimis Smith 5. Nat McGavin 6. Ryley Jacks 7. Jonah Pezet 8. Tariq Sims 9. Tristan Hope 10. Tristan Powell 11. Kane Bradley 12. Leivaha Pulu 14. Cole Geyer 15. Bennett Leslie 16. Joe Chan 17. Charlie Murray 18. Brayden Torpy

**CENTRAL:** 1. Blake Moore 2. Tom Farr 3. Larson Dale-Doyle 4. Cooper Marshall 5. Edrick Lee 6. Aaron Moore 7. Jack Madden 8. Bailey Butler 9. Trey Browne 10. JJ Collins 11. Nicholas Halalilo 12. Nixon Putt 13. Kurt Donoghoe 14. Jack White 15. Lachlan Hubner 16. Zev John 17. Tyler Szezanowski 18. Roarke Christensen 19. Jeremy McLachlan 20. Brendon Roberts

Referee: Tyson Brough; Sideline Officials: Marcus Fitzgerald, Jordan Morel; Video Referee: Tim Rutherford;

## RESULTS - SEMI FINALS

### 2nd Semi Final

**Wynnum Manly Seagulls (30)** Tries: Matthew Milson 2, Oliver Pascoe, Joshua Simm, Stanford Talita; Goals: Bailey Hartwig 5/5 **def** Souths Logan Magpies (24) Tries: Jack Svendsen, Cruise Ten, Braden Whittaker, Israel Leota; Goals: Jack Campagnolo 4/4 at Logan Metro Sports Park, Crestmead / Yuggera

### 1st Semi Final

**Central Queensland Capras (38)** Tries: Blake Moore 2, Jj Collins, Zev John, Tom Farr, Cooper Marshall, Larson Dale-Doyle, Brandon Roberts; Goals: Trey Brown 2/5, Blake Moore 1/2 **def** Sunshine Coast Falcons (10) Tries: Luke Polselli; Goals: Jack Wright 2/2, Jai Smoothy 1/1 at Browne Park, Rockhampton / Darumbal

## U21 HASTINGS DEERING COLTS | PRELIMINARY FINALS

### PRELIMINARY FINAL | TWEED SEAGULLS V TOWNSVILLE BLACKHAWKS

Sat September 9 2023, 4:00pm at UAA Park, Miami / Yugambah

**TWEED:** 1. Jack Field 2. Malakhi Donovan 3. Logan Radzivic 4. Jaylan De Groot 5. Jotham Russell 6. Max Liles 7. Elliott Speed 8. Jesse Jackson 9. Oskar Bryant 10. Jayden Wright 11. Ryan Foran 12. Reico Ratana 13. Jordan Stewart 14. Tanu Nona 15. Nicholas Hilton 16. Parker Bryant 17. Khyan Weir 18. Harry Fraser 19. Tremaine Harry

**TOWNSVILLE:** 1. Ragarive Wavik 2. Jesse Yallop 3. Elekana Suavai 4. Dudley Dotoi 5. Cathane Hill 6. Matthew Hunter 7. Zack Lamont 8. Jeremiah Matautia 9. Lachlan Lerch 10. Henry Teutau 12. Jamal Shibusaki 13. Luke Jack 14. Joel Baldwin 15. Sean Bourke 16. Darnell Geia 17. Tyrone Gunn-James

Referee: Matt Gannon; Sideline Officials: Dylan Lawrence, Izzy Davidson;

### PRELIMINARY FINAL | BRISBANE TIGERS V REDCLIFFE DOLPHINS

Sun September 10 2023, 12:00pm at Totally Workwear Stadium, Coorparoo / Turrbal

**BRISBANE:** 1. Lachlan West 2. Liam Fitzsimmons 3. Samuela Vakadula 4. Joe Nadenic 5. Glen Fisher 6. Bailey Black 7. Jake House 8. Madison Beckett 9. Braydon Seu-Easthope 10. Casey Morgan 11. Simon Pratt 12. Trent Veukiso 13. Brock Ashton 14. Jackson Chang 15. Jack McCosker 16. Jordan Penquitt 17. Gabriel Reedy-Bartlett 18. Hayden Molkenient

**REDCLIFFE:** 1. Brenton Baira 2. Blake Dawes 3. Caleb Jackson 4. Will Starling 5. Siosifa Kava 6. Corey Thomas 7. Connor Williams 8. Jak Goulding 9. Taniela Otukolo 10. Tuhirangi Ratana 11. Braith Major 12. James Walsh 13. Noah Lutui 14. Elijah Rasmussen 15. Hunter Dever 16. Tevita Toloi 17. Ayden Hoad

Referee: Cody Kwik; Sideline Officials: Cameron Wegner, Nick McEwan;

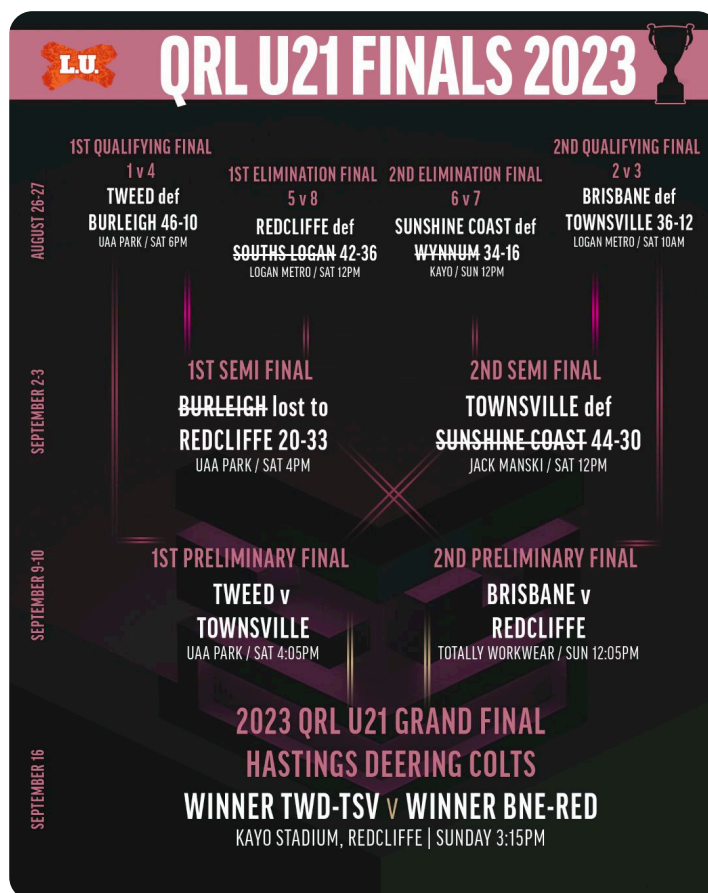
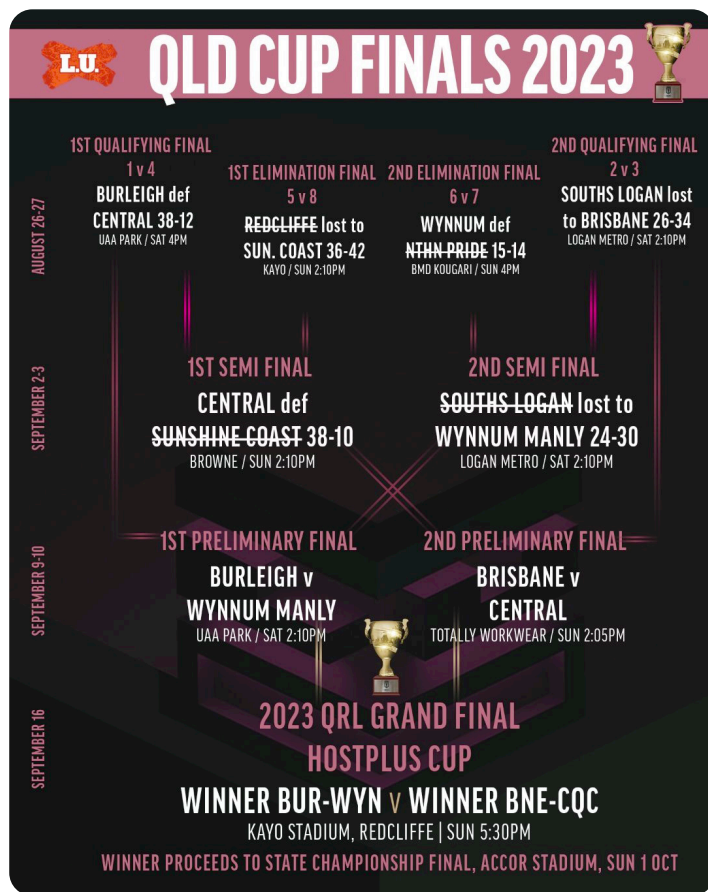
## RESULTS - SEMI FINALS

### 2nd Semi Final

**Townsville Blackhaws (44)** Tries: Jesse Yallop 3, Jamal Shibusaki 2, Elekana Suavai, Lachlan Lerch, Matthew Hunter; Goals: Ragarive Wavik 6/8 **def** Sunshine Coast Falcons (30) Tries: Elliot Smethills 2, Jayden Taufa, Pat McGinn, Harry Dwyer; Goals: Josh Chappell 5/5 at Jack Manski Oval, Kirwan / Wulgurukaba

### 1st Semi Final

**Redcliffe Dolphins (33)** Tries: James Walsh 3, Will Starling, Brenton Baira, Corey Thomas; Goals: Brenton Baira 4/7; Field Goals: Brenton Baira 1 **def** Burleigh Bears (20) Tries: Cruz Lasike 2, Adam Christensen, Zac Munn; Goals: Boston Tagg 2/4 Venue: UAA Park, Miami / Yugambah





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