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NRL 2024 LADDER & STATS LEADERS

LADDER - R22

POS	TEAM	HOME							AWAY							TOTAL										
		P	W	L	D	F	A	PD	P	W	L	D	F	A	PD	P	W	L	D	B	F	A	Pts	PD	FPG	APG
1.	MELBOURNE	11	9	2	-	300	193	107	8	6	2	-	212	162	50	19	15	4	-	3	512	355	36	+157	26.95	18.68
2.	PENRITH	9	7	2	-	196	146	50	10	7	3	-	256	144	112	19	14	5	-	3	452	290	34	+162	23.79	15.26
3.	SYDNEY	10	7	3	-	292	148	144	10	6	4	-	312	237	75	20	13	7	-	2	604	385	30	+219	30.20	19.25
4.	CRONULLA	10	7	3	-	283	178	105	9	5	4	-	201	175	26	19	12	7	-	3	484	353	30	+131	25.47	18.58
5.	CANTERBURY	9	9	-	-	236	126	110	10	2	8	-	173	191	-18	19	11	8	-	3	409	317	28	+92	21.53	16.68
6.	NORTH QLD	9	5	4	-	226	227	-1	11	7	4	-	289	259	30	20	12	8	-	2	515	486	28	+29	25.75	24.30
7.	MANLY	10	8	2	-	295	161	134	9	2	6	1	189	230	-41	19	10	8	1	3	484	391	27	+93	25.47	20.58
8.	ST GEO ILLA	8	5	3	-	212	210	2	11	5	6	-	180	272	-92	19	10	9	-	3	392	482	26	-90	20.63	25.37
9.	DOLPHINS	10	4	6	-	259	246	13	9	5	4	-	222	202	20	19	9	10	-	3	481	448	24	+33	25.32	23.58
10.	CANBERRA	10	6	4	-	214	224	-10	9	3	6	-	170	235	-65	19	9	10	-	3	384	459	24	-75	20.21	24.16
11.	GOLD COAST	10	4	6	-	260	246	14	9	4	5	-	164	232	-68	19	8	11	-	3	424	478	22	-54	22.32	25.16
12.	NEWCASTLE	9	4	5	-	158	194	-36	10	4	6	-	174	243	-69	19	8	11	-	3	332	437	22	-105	17.47	23.00
13.	WARRIORS	11	6	4	1	246	227	19	9	2	7	-	176	227	-51	20	8	11	1	2	422	454	21	-32	21.10	22.70
14.	BRISBANE	10	4	6	-	240	237	3	10	4	6	-	207	238	-31	20	8	12	-	2	447	475	20	-28	22.35	23.75
15.	SOUTHS	9	5	4	-	200	220	-20	10	2	8	-	206	310	-104	19	7	12	-	3	406	530	20	-124	21.37	27.89
16.	PARRAMATTA	10	4	6	-	209	257	-48	9	1	8	-	176	289	-113	19	5	14	-	3	385	546	16	-161	20.26	28.74
17.	WESTS TIGERS	9	3	6	-	204	230	-26	11	1	10	-	163	384	-221	20	4	16	-	2	367	614	12	-247	18.35	30.70

TOP TRYSCORERS

Rank	Player	Team	P	T
1	Alofiana Khan-Pereira	Gold Coast	16	20
2	Deine Mariner	Brisbane	18	16
=3	Dominic Young	Sydney	16	15
=3	Kyle Feldt	North Qld	19	15
=5	Reece Walsh	Brisbane	13	14
=5	Tommy Talau	Manly	17	14
=5	Sione Katoa	Cronulla	17	14
=5	Daniel Tupou	Sydney	18	14
=5	Ronaldo Muiltalo	Cronulla	18	14
=5	Jack Bostock	Dolphins	18	14

TOP POINTSCORERS

Rank	Player	Team	P	T	G	FG	Pts
1	Jamayne Isaako	Dolphins	19	10	72	1	185
2	Sam Walker	Sydney	18	6	77	-	178
3	Valentine Holmes	North Qld	18	9	70	-	176
4	Nick Meaney	Melbourne	17	5	72	-	164
5	Zac Lomax	St Geo Illa	16	11	47	0/2	142
6	Matt Burton	Canterbury	18	8	53	3	141
7	Reuben Garrick	Manly	17	8	54	-	140
8	Nicho Hynes	Cronulla	13	2	48	1	105

TOP GOALKICKERS

Rank	Player	Team	P	G/A	%
1	Sam Walker	Sydney	18	77 / 91	85%
=2	Nick Meaney	Melbourne	17	72 / 90	80%
=2	Jamayne Isaako	Dolphins	19	72 / 92	78%
4	Valentine Holmes	North Qld	18	70 / 87	80%
5	Reuben Garrick	Manly	17	54 / 71	76%
6	Matt Burton	Canterbury	18	53 / 75	71%
7	Nicho Hynes	Cronulla	13	48 / 55	87%
8	Zac Lomax	St Geo Illa	16	47 / 59	80%

STATISTICS PROVIDED BY **RUGBY LEAGUE project**

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NRL MATCH REVIEW & JUDICIARY ROUND 22

Player	Club	Grade	Charge	On Who	Base	Offence #	Guilty	Early plea	Plea	RESULT
Justin OLAM	Wests Tigers	3	Careless High Tackle	Heilum Luki	3 matches	2nd	4 matches	3 matches	Guilty - no contest	4 MATCHES
Chanel HARRIS-TAVITA	Warriors	1	Dangerous Contact (trip)	Joe Ofahengaue	\$1500	1st	\$1500	\$1000	Guilty - early plea	\$1000
Oryn KEELEY	Dolphins	1	Dangerous Contact	Daniel Tupou	\$1500	1st	\$1500	\$1000	Guilty - early plea	\$1000
Joseph MANU	Sydney	1	Careless High Tackle	Hamiso Tabuai-Fidow	\$1500	1st	\$1500	\$1000	Guilty - early plea	\$1000
Eliesa KATOA	Melbourne	1	Careless High Tackle	Tom Eisenhuth	\$1500	2nd	\$2500	\$1800	Guilty - early plea	\$1800
Nelson ASOFA-SOLOMONA	Melbourne	1	Careless High Tackle	Francis Molo	\$1500	2nd	\$2500	\$1800	Guilty - early plea	\$1800
Moses SULI	St Geo Illa	1	Contrary Conduct	Match Official	\$1500	1st ^	\$1000	\$750	Guilty - early plea	\$750
Tom EISENHUTH	St Geo Illa	1	Crusher Tackle	Grant Anderson	\$2000	1st ^	\$1500	\$1000	Guilty - early plea	\$1000
Cameron McINNES	Cronulla	1	Careless High Tackle	Sean Keppie	\$1500	1st	\$1500	\$1000	Guilty - early plea	\$1000
Keaon KOLOAMATANGI	South Sydney	1	Careless High Tackle	Cameron McInnes	\$1500	1st	\$1500	\$1000	Guilty - early plea	\$1000
Izack TAGO	Penrith	1	Careless High Tackle	Kalyn Ponga	\$1500	3rd+	2 matches	\$3000	Guilty - early plea	\$3000
Isaah YEO	Penrith	1	Careless High Tackle	Phoenix Crossland	\$1500	1st	\$1500	\$1000	Guilty - early plea	\$1000
Jordan RAPANA	Canberra	1	Dangerous Contact (trip)	Stephen Crichton	\$1500	2nd	\$2500	\$1800	Guilty - early plea	\$1800
Danny LEVI	Canberra	1	Crusher Tackle	Jacob Kiraz	\$2000	1st ^	\$1500	\$1000	Guilty - early plea	\$1000

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

NRL ROUND 22 WRAP

COWBOYS AND TIGERS DELIVER ANOTHER POINTS DELUGE

ANDREW FERGUSON

The North Queensland Cowboys defeated Wests Tigers at Leichhardt Oval in a match that saw a total of 78 points scored. The last 720 minutes of game-time between these sides (9 games) has now produced a total of 567 points.

The Tigers opened the scoring after just 3 minutes when Lachlan Galvin held up a lovely short ball for Samuela Fainu, who stepped out of a tackle and scored on the right edge. Apisai Koroisau failed to convert from out wide. The Cowboys finally responded in the 19th minute when Reece Robson linked with Tom Dearden, who strolled through some feeble goal-line defence to score. Valentine Holmes converted.

In the 23rd minute, the Cowboys crossed again when Scott Drinkwater produce a perfect gentle grubber that popped up for Murray Taulagi, who scored in the left corner. Holmes converted. Seven minutes later, Holmes produced a lovely draw and pass to put Taulagi over for the easiest of tries. Holmes slotted the extras from out wide.

Just shy of halftime, the Tigers narrowed the deficit when Jahream Bula held a pass up as he drifted out on the left edge and then just sliced through to score. Koroisau converted from out wide. At halftime the Cowboys were leading 18-10.

Just as they did in the first half, they Tigers scored 3 minutes into the half, this time it came after Charlie Staines took an intercept to save a try. Two tackles later, Reuben Porter got a stunning offload away to Bula, who exploded through the line and raced 70 metres to score. Koroisau failed to convert. The Cowboys took the lead out to 6 in the 50th minute when Holmes kicked a penalty goal.

A minute later Justin Olam was sent off for a high tackle on Heilum Luki. The next 29 minutes saw 44 points scored. A minute after Olam's dismissal, the Cowboys were on the Tigers line. Holmes ran from dummy half on the left edge and then passes back out to Taulagi, who had just played the ball, and the winger crossed for his third try. Holmes converted.

At the end of the next set, Kuliifu Finefeuiaki flicked an offload inside to Drinkwater who strolled over to score under the sticks. Holmes converted again.

The Cowboys scored again just 2 minutes later when Holmes sliced through the left edge and scored an easy try, which he also converted. In 7 minutes, the Cowboys had turned their narrow 4 point lead into 24.

The Tigers wouldn't quit though, despite being down to 12 men. In the 59th minute Porter made a great bust up the middle and then produced another brilliant offload that lead to some brilliant passing, eventually resulting in a try in the corner to Solomon Alaimalo. Koroisau converted from the sideline.

In the 63rd minute, the Tigers crossed again when Solomona Faataape brushed off Holmes to score. Koroisau slipped as he struck his sideline conversion attempt and very nearly landed the goal.

The Tigers went agonisingly close just 2 minutes later after a great break by Bula. The following play saw Isaiah Papali'i drop the ball an inch from the Cowboys line.



30 - 48



Leichhardt Oval, Lilyfield / Wanngal

The Cowboys had a try denied in the 70th minute when Griffin Neame was found to have performed a double movement. From the penalty, the Tigers failed to find touch and the Cowboys went on the attack, leading to Drinkwater snaring his second try of the game. Holmes failed to convert.

In the 72nd minute, Robson got over the Tigers line but he was held up before losing the ball.

In the 75th minute, Samuela Fainu scored a brilliant solo try when he charged forward and leapt high to take a short Cowboys drop out, busted through the limited defensive efforts and stormed over to score. Koroisau converted.

The Cowboys crossed one last time in the final minute when a stray pass from Galvin bounced into the waiting arms of Kyle Feldt, who then raced 55 metres to score. Holmes converted from the sideline to seal the Cowboys 48-30 victory.

WESTS TIGERS	30	-	48	NORTH QLD
Jahream BULA	2	T	3	Murray TAULAGI
Samuela FAINU	2		2	Scott DRINKWATER
Solomon ALAIMALO				Tom DEARDEN
Solomona FAATAAPE				Kyle FELDT
				Valentine HOLMES
Apisai KOROISAU	3/6	G	7/8	Valentine HOLMES
			1/1	Scott DRINKWATER
Justin OLAM		OFF		
TEAMSHEETS				
Jahream BULA	1	FB	1	Scott DRINKWATER
Solomon ALAIMALO	2	W	2	Kyle FELDT
Solomona FAATAAPE	3	C	3	Valentine HOLMES
Justin OLAM	4	C	4	Viliani VAILEA
Charlie STAINES	5	W	5	Murray TAULAGI
Lachlan GALVIN	6	FE	6	Tom DEARDEN (c)
Latu FAINU	7	HB	7	Chad TOWNSEND
Stefano UTOIKAMANU	8	FR	8	Jordan McLEAN
Apisai KOROISAU (c)	9	HK	9	Reece ROBSON
David KLEMMER	10	FR	17	Griffin NEAME
Reuben PORTER	11	2R	11	Heilum LUKI
Samuela FAINU	12	2R	12	Jeremiah NANAI
Isaiah PAPALI'I	13	L	14	Harrison EDWARDS
Tallyn DA SILVA	14	B	10	Sam McINTYRE
Alex SEYFARTH	15	B	13	Thomas MIKAELE
Alex TWAL	17	B	15	Jake GRANVILLE
Tim JOHANNSEN	22	B	16	Kuliifu FINEFEUIAKI
Heath MASON	18	B	18	Jaxon PURDUE
			X	X
Benji MARSHALL		HC		Todd PAYTEN

Date: Thu, 1st Aug. Kickoff: 7:50 PM. Halftime: North Qld 18-10.
Penalties: North Qld 7-6. Referee: Chris Butler. Crowd: 7,231.

EELS DOWN WARRIORS IN BLAIZE OF GLORY

LUKE JOBSON

The Parramatta Eels have upset the NZ Warriors 30-20 at Go Media Stadium, with the Warriors finals hopes hanging by a thread.

It was a must-win game for the NZ Warriors, who welcomed back Shaun Johnson as the cellar dwelling Parramatta Eels came to Auckland looking for their first win over two months. The Warriors were three points outside of the finals prior to this weekend, with Manly scampering up the ladder as a result of their final bye this season. The Eels, who have had fans cancelling premierships and star youngsters looking to leave the club in the last seven day, had to win to get a little space between themselves and the wooden spoon. With the Warriors backed by a boisterous home crowd, they exploded out of the blocks with their attack pestering both sides of the Parramatta attack. It was the best part of ten minutes with their best opportunity falling the way of Marata Niukore, running off a Shaun Johnson short ball to be crunched by Blaize Talagi, forcing the error. Parramatta would have the next couple of opportunities, with the Eels constantly attacking the right edge of the Warriors to eventual success. A sweeping play left from the Parramatta spine saw the ball in the hands of Blaize Talagi, who the ball in his hands long enough to attract Dallin Watene-Zelezniak and send Jake Tago over to open the scoring for the second time in two weeks. Clint Gutherson would convert what was his toughest kick of the night to make it 6-0 after 19 minutes.

Parramatta would then get a repeat set after the Warriors knocked the ball on trying to stop the Eels from going down the left edge again - enter Joey Lussick. Having come on for Brendan Hands mere minutes earlier, Lussick took advantage of a lazy Addin Fonua-Blake at marker to scoot over from dummy after on the right edge, with Gutherson converting to make it 12-0 after 24 minutes. It would leave Go Media Stadium with a bigger hush than a library at lunchtime, but that would change on 31 minutes. The Warriors, having not seen the red-zone for nearly 20 minutes, managed to stretch the Eels defence after winning a couple of penalties. A stretched Eels defence were able to shut down the Warriors once, but they could not do it again at the Warriors went left to send Roger Tuivasa-Sheck over. Shaun Johnson would push his conversion attempt right to leave it at 12-4 with nine minutes left in the half. Parramatta did not quit there, with their kicking game impeccable all night. Daejarn Asi and Clint Gutherson were both forcing drop outs all night, with the duo then teaming up to score right on half time. Having earned another line drop out, Gutherson would take possession 20m out on the right edge. Cutting across the field ever so casually, he put Asi through the Warriors line to score right next to the posts. Gutherson converted his easiest attempt of the night to make it 18-4 at half time.

The Warriors would come out in the second half firing, forcing errors and going close to the line as they dominated the first ten minutes. The Warriors would go over through Ali Leiataua, with the try being called back for a knock on but the momentum continued for the best part of 20 minutes without reward. Much like the first half, Parramatta would capitalize on the poor finishing of the Warriors when they had their own chance to score. 19 minutes from full time, having been carried up the field by a penalty, the Eels basically put the game to bed. Dylan Brown drifted left, attracting the Warriors defence and sent Blaize Talagi screaming through a gaping hole to score under the posts in the end. Gutherson would make it 24-4 with another conversion from in front.

Brown would turn supplier to Gutherson five minutes later, beating yet more sloppy defence from the Warriors to go through on the right wing and set up Gutherson inside



for the game-sealing try 11 minutes from try. Gutherson finished his tally of 14 points with his fifth conversion of the night to make it 30-4 on 69 minutes. Two tries from the Warriors to Charnze Nicoll-Klokstad and Marata Niukore had the fans thinking there was a chance, especially with the sin binning of Jake Tago with five minutes to go; Shaun Johnson's goal-kicking being a crucial reason why they weren't quite in it (1/4). The Warriors had another chance three minutes from time, with Dallin Watene-Zelezniak stepping inside of Clint Gutherson basically on the try-line, only for Clint Gutherson to strip the ball and secure the win for Parramatta. Watene-Zelezniak would score one off a Johnson cross-field kick right on full time but it would be only a consolation try as Parramatta won 30-20.

It leaves the Warriors at least three points outside of the eight, with results needed to go their way to keep them within touching distance. A very tough run home won't help either, facing four sides in finals positions before having a bye in round 27. The Eels move two games clear of the Tigers, albeit still in wooden spoon contention, but with plenty to take out of a great win across the ditch.

WARRIORS	20	-	30	PARRAMATTA
Charnze NICOLL-KLOKSTAD		T		Daejarn ASI
Marata NIUKORE				Clinton GUTHERSON
Roger TUIVASA-SHECK				Joey LUSSICK
Dallin WATENE-ZELEZNIAK				Jake TAGO
				Blaize TALAGI
Chanel HARRIS-TAVITA	1/1	G	5/5	Clinton GUTHERSON
Shaun JOHNSON	1/4			
		BIN		Jake TAGO
TEAMSHEETS				
Charnze NICOLL-KLOKSTAD	1	FB	1	Clinton GUTHERSON (c)
Dallin WATENE-ZELEZNIAK	2	W	2	Jake TAGO
Ali LEIATAUA	3	C	3	Will PENISINI
Moala GRAHAM-TAUFA	4	C	4	Blaize TALAGI
Roger TUIVASA-SHECK	5	W	5	Sean RUSSELL
Chanel HARRIS-TAVITA	6	FE	6	Dylan BROWN
Shaun JOHNSON	7	HB	7	Daejarn ASI
Addin FONUA-BLAKE	8	FR	8	Reagan CAMPBELL-GILLARD
Freddy LUSSICK	14	HK	9	Brendan HANDS
Mitchell BARNETT	10	FR	10	Wiremu GREIG
Marata NIUKORE	11	2R	11	Shaun LANE
Kurt CAPEWELL	12	2R	12	Bryce CARTWRIGHT
Dylan WALKER	13	L	13	Ryan MATTERSON
Wayde EGAN	9	B	14	Joey LUSSICK
Tom ALE	15	B	15	Joe OFAHENGAUE
Jazz TEVAGA	16	B	16	Luca MORETTI
Selumiel HALASIMA	17	B	17	Dan KEIR
Andrew WEBSTER		HC		Trent BARRETT

Date: Fri, 2nd August. Kickoff: 8:00 PM. Halftime: Parramatta 18-4.
Penalties: Warriors 8-3. Referee: Todd Smith. Crowd: 23,812.

WALKER MASTERCLASS ENOUGH FOR ROOSTERS TO HOLD OFF DESPERATE DOLPHINS

SAM BOURKE

The Roosters have held off a fast-finishing Dolphins in a 74-point thriller, to run out 40-34 winners in front of a pack house at HBF Park in Perth tonight.

Roosters number seven Sam Walker was superb for the Tricolours scoring two tries and having a hand in two more, as well as kicking 8 goals in a breathtaking performance. Redcliffe were brave but will rue a number of simple errors and missed opportunities, particularly when Joey Manu was sent to the Sin Bin late in the match. The loss sees the Dolphins cling to the Top 8, after being firmly entrenched for the majority of the season. Redcliffe brought the game to a packed house in Perth and were struggling to name 17 players after Tevita Pangai was ruled out with injury pre-match and named 18th man.

It was the Roosters who got the jump though through Joseph Suaalii who opened the scoring following some neat work by his halves in Luke Keary and Walker and the Blues centre powered over three defenders to score. The Tricolours meant business with another try minutes later when Sam Walker caught Dolphins custodian Hamiso Tabuai-Fidow out of position, producing a chip over the top to regather and extend the lead to 12-0 after as many minutes. The Dolphins needed to strike back quickly before the game got out of hand and they did so through Max Plath who burrowed over from dummy half close to the line to get his side on the scoreboard at 12-6.

A poor penalty from the Dolphins piggy backed the Roosters downfield, when Sam Walker scored a double with another chip and chase into the in goal to win the race and take the ascendancy for the Roosters. Despite the fast start from the Tricolours, Redcliffe managed to hang tough with Felise Kaufusi crashing over close to the line following a neat pass by Max Plath. Redcliffe then amazingly made it back-to-back tries through Jamayne Isaako who finished off some slick hands from Jake Averillo to get his side back in contention.

The Roosters were then awarded a penalty in front and with halftime nearing, Sam Walker regained the lead for the Roosters with a simple penalty goal. Then just before the siren sounded, James Tedesco was penalised for running behind his own man and Jamayne Isaako levelled the scores to make it 20 all at halftime.

In a role reversal of the first half, it was the Dolphins who flew out of the blocks when Jake Averillo burst through to link with Hamiso Tabuai-Fidow, who then raced away to give the Dolphins the lead for the first time in the match. The tennis continued, as the Roosters returned serve through Daniel Tupou who scored down the left-hand side following a superb offload from Angus Crichton to make it 26 all with over half an hour remaining. Redcliffe then gave away an obstruction penalty which gifted the Roosters field position and it proved crucial, as makeshift Roosters centre Sitili Tupouniua dived over to score in the corner. Tupouniua had a second try minutes later following a break from Daniel Tupou and the Roosters went from six points down to lead by twelve.

The Roosters were then gifted a penalty against Jamayne Isaako for taking out Sam Walker after kicking, which was a poor call from referee Sutton but regardless the Roosters took the two points on offer to extend their lead to 14 points. Joseph Manu was then sent to the Sin Bin for making contact with the head of Hamiso Tabuai-Fidow to give



the Dolphins a major advantage with 10 minutes remaining. The Phins made it count when Jack Bostock collected a superb pass from Herbie Farnworth to give his side hope with minutes left on the clock.

The Roosters were scrambling to hold on, when they gave away a penalty close to the line. Isaiya Katoa took the shot at a penalty and was successful setting up a finish with a converted try the difference.

It wasn't to be though for the Phins who fell just short in staging an unlikely come back to give the Roosters a crucial two points as they head into a bye round. Redcliffe has now lost three in a row and are clinging onto a Top 8 position as they now return to Suncorp Stadium where they face the Warriors.

DOLPHINS	34	-	40	SYDNEY
Jack BOSTOCK		T	2	Sitili TUPOUNIUA
Jamayne ISAAKO			2	Sam WALKER
Felise KAUFUSI				Joseph-Aukuso SUA'ALI'I
Max PLATH				Daniel TUPOU
Hamiso TABUAI-FIDOW				
Jamayne ISAAKO	6/6	G	8/8	Sam WALKER
Isaiya KATOA	1/1			
		BIN		Joseph MANU
TEAMSHEETS				
Hamiso TABUAI-FIDOW	1	FB	1	James TEDESCO (c)
Jamayne ISAAKO	2	W	2	Daniel TUPOU
Jake AVERILLO	3	C	3	Joseph-Aukuso SUA'ALI'I
Herbie FARNWORTH	4	C	4	Joseph MANU
Jack BOSTOCK	5	W	5	Dominic YOUNG
Sean O'SULLIVAN	17	FE	6	Luke KEARY
Isaiya KATOA	7	HB	7	Sam WALKER
Jesse BROMWICH (c)	8	FR	8	Spencer LENIU
Max PLATH	9	HK	9	Brandon SMITH
Oryn KEELEY	18	FR	10	Lindsay COLLINS
Felise KAUFUSI	11	2R	11	Angus CRICHTON
Connelly LEMUELU	12	2R	12	Victor RADLEY
Kenny BROMWICH	13	L	13	Connor WATSON
Josh KERR	14	B	14	Sitili TUPOUNIUA
Mark NICHOLLS	15	B	15	Naufahu WHYTE
Ray STONE	16	B	16	Nat BUTCHER
Tesi NIU	19	B	17	Terrell MAY
Wayne BENNETT		HC		Trent ROBINSON

Date: Fri, 2nd August. Kickoff: 6:00 PM. Halftime: 20-all.
Penalties: Dolphins 8-7. Referee: Gerard Sutton. Crowd: 20,027.

TITANIC SECOND HALF AS BRISBANE'S FINALS HOPES SINK WITHOUT TRACE

AJ LUCANTONIO

A ruthless 36 point second half by the Gold Coast Titans has seen them all but eliminate the Brisbane Broncos from finals contention, thanks to amazing performances from Keano Kini and Jojo Fifita.

After a tense opening in which both sides had their share of attacking chances, Pat Carrigan created a second phase which sent Reece Walsh into space. Walsh then kicked ahead, got past Keano Kini and put the ball down for the opening try. It was a try that wasn't without it's fair share of controversy. Wyatt Raymond ruled that as Carrigan offloaded, he and Sam Verrills were allegedly "tangled" as replays suggested Carrigan pulled Verrills down illegally. The Titans were aggrieved and down early on the scoreboard. Their worries got worse on the ensuing set post points as the game's poster child pulled off his second bit of brilliance in as many minutes. Walsh was on fire and the Titans were on the back foot. On the last tackle with nothing doing, Walsh chased his own kick and flies above Keano Kini to slam it down and cross for number two in as many minutes. Brisbane were dealt a big blow in the aftermath of Walsh's second try. Payne Haas limped off with what Broncos officials fear to be a "Lisfranc" injury. After the Broncos started with fear. The Titans needed something fast and it was a shift to the right edge that sent Jojo Fifita away. He beat the Superman tackle technique of Walsh as well as Ezra Mam to unload to Kini to cross for the Titans first of the afternoon after 19 minutes. Gold Coast had the momentum and started to win the middle after Haas' injury. Kieran Foran and Kini combined to go down the right hand edge. Kini broke through a poor tackle by Deine Mariner to find Jojo Fifita to score and hit back. The tide of momentum swings continued to swing backwards and forwards. This time, before the break. Brisbane capitalised and after a clever Adam Reynolds kick, Kobe Hetherington got to the ball first and scored a vital try for the Broncos. The lead remained six and the news got worse for the visitors when Mam hurt his ankle in an awkward collision with Kini. The Titans full-back was sin-binned for a professional foul as he grabbed Mam prior to him getting the ball. Reynolds added a penalty goal for an 18-10 lead at the half.

With Brisbane battling low on troops and failing to execute during the extra man advantage. The Titans capitalised, a great kick from Foran was batted back by Jojo Fifita and toed ahead by Kini. He picked it up brilliantly and grounded it by mere millimetres to give the Titans the first of the second half and reduce the gap to four. The Titans were becoming the Harlem GlobeTrotters and set on terrorising the Broncos with their ball movement. It went through several sets of hands and it ended up in the arms of Brian Kelly who races away to level the scores. Brisbane's season was evaporating faster than



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Cbus Super Stadium, Robina / Yugambah



the Titan Submarine as injuries and ill-discipline began to take their toll. Foran once again set his kick towards Corey Oates, Jojo Fifita again outlept the experienced winger and Campbell was jolly on the spot to collect his second. However, Sam Verrills was pinned for an alleged obstruction on Oates and the try was denied. The home side didn't need to wait long to extend their lead. Kini continued to have the Brisbane defence on tenterhooks with brilliant movement to beat Oates. He then fired a brilliant pass to Fifita who brushes past some horrific cover defence and crosses for the Broncos and extend the gap to eight. The Broncos were fighting hard to stay in the finals race. However, the more they tried, the more mistakes they made. From a scrum win, the Titans finally shift it left as Kelly isolates the defender and sent Alofiana Khan-Pereira away. He dodged several defenders like he was a dodgem at Movie World and puts the game beyond doubt. Jojo Fifita put the match beyond doubt with his maiden hattrick in the NRL to extend the margin out to eighteen points. On the next set, Phil Sami scored as Fifita continued his day terrorising Oates as the Titans cracked 40 in a ruthless display of attacking footy.

GOLD COAST	46	-	18	BRISBANE
Sosefo FIFITA	3	T	2	Reece WALSH
Keano KINI	2			Kobe HETHERINGTON
Beau FERMOR				
Brian KELLY				
Alofiana KHAN-PEREIRA				
Phillip SAMI				
Jayden CAMPBELL	5/9	G	3/4	Adam REYNOLDS
Keano KINI		BIN		
TEAM SHEETS				
Keano KINI	1	FB	1	Reece WALSH
Alofiana KHAN-PEREIRA	2	W	2	Corey OATES
Brian KELLY	3	C	3	Kotoni STAGGS
Phillip SAMI	4	C	4	Deine MARINER
Sosefo FIFITA	5	W	5	Jesse ARTHARS
Jayden CAMPBELL	6	FE	6	Ezra MAM
Kieran FORAN (c)	7	HB	7	Adam REYNOLDS (c)
Moeaki FOTUAIKA	8	FR	8	Corey JENSEN
Sam VERRILLS	9	HK	9	Billy WALTERS
Jaimin JOLLIFFE	18	FR	10	Payne HAAS
David FIFITA	11	2R	11	Brendan PIKURA
Beau FERMOR	12	2R	12	Jordan RIKI
Chris RANDALL	13	L	13	Patrick CARRIGAN
Erin CLARK	10	B	14	Blake MOZER
Isaac LIU	14	B	15	Kobe HETHERINGTON
Klese HAAS	15	B	16	Xavier WILLISON
Josiah PAHULU	17	B	17	Martin TAUPAU
		B	18	Josiah KARAPANI
Des HASLER		HC		Kevin WALTERS

Date: Sat, 3rd August. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Brisbane 18-10.
Penalties: Gold Coast 6-5. Referee: Peter Gough. Crowd: 25,278.

Is a freak finals berth in the Titans' Des-tiny?
Illustration by The Biggest Tiger



NRL ROUND 22 WRAP

DRAGONS BREAK 25 YEAR MELBOURNE DROUGHT TO PICK UP HISTORIC UPSET

JOSH ROBERTSON

The Sydney Olympics were still 18 months away when the Dragons last won in Melbourne but the 25 year wait is over as the St George Illawarra Dragons pick up a famous 18-16 upset win at AAMI Park.

The Storm welcomed back Cameron Munster and in the very first set of six, he had an impact as the hosts were able to make easy metres but despite looking dominant early it actually took them nearly 15 minutes to add first points when the headgear combination of Hughes and Harry Grant linked up for the Melbourne captain to score.

Despite being under pressure for the majority of the opening 25 minutes, the Dragons were able level the scores when Ben Hunt put the ball through the Storm defence with Jaydn Su'A successfully chasing the ball.

Just five minutes later, the Dragons took a shock lead when Tyrell Sloan burnt Ryan Papenhuyzen through the middle to score under the post after convincing the Melbourne fullback he was going to kick but ultimately ran the ball to score.

The Storm closed the gap to two points just shy of the half-time break when Cam Munster put a delicate kick through for Grant Anderson to score in the corner. Nick Meaney could not kick the conversion and the Dragons had a 12-10 lead at the break.

The start of the second half wasn't a good one for the Storm as errors put themselves under pressure and the Ben Hunt clinic that was on show for early part of the second half put Jaydn Su'A through for a second try when on last tackle, Hunt showed and go'ed before linking with the QLD representative who scored under the posts.

Just ten minutes later, the Storm closed the gap to two points when the Dragons were caught napping when they sat back waiting for the kick from the Storm on last so Harry Grant spotted that and raced out of dummy half and scored. Nick Meaney converted the try to close the gap to two.

Despite having 20 minutes and a two point lead with a notoriously leaky defence which was on show last week against Penrith, the Red 'V' held off every attacking raid from the Storm and held on for the win.

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AAMI Park, Melbourne / Wurundjeri

The loss for Melbourne could see their gap at the top of the ladder close depending on Penrith's result as they prepare for a Thursday night battle against Souths. The Dragons confidence will be boosted as they prepare for a game against the Bulldogs at Kogarah next Saturday night.

MELBOURNE	16	-	18	ST GEO ILLA
Harry GRANT	2	T	2	Jaydn SU'A
Grant ANDERSON				Tyrell SLOAN
Nick MEANEY	2/3	G	3/3	Zac LOMAX
TEAMSHEETS				
Ryan PAPHUYZEN	1	FB	1	Tyrell SLOAN
Will WARBRICK	2	W	2	Zac LOMAX
Jack HOWARTH	3	C	3	Moses SULI
Nick MEANEY	4	C	4	Max FEAGAI
Grant ANDERSON	5	W	5	Christian TUIPULOTU
Cameron MUNSTER	6	FE	6	Kyle FLANAGAN
Jahrome HUGHES	7	HB	7	Ben HUNT (c)
Nelson ASOFA-SOLOMONA	16	FR	14	Hame SELE
Harry GRANT (c)	9	HK	9	Jacob LIDDLE
Josh KING	10	FR	17	Blake LAWRIE
Shawn BLORE	11	2R	11	Luciano LEILUA
Eliesa KATO	12	2R	12	Jaydn SU'A
Trent LOIERO	13	L	13	Tom EISENHUTH
Tyran WISHART	14	B	8	Francis MOLO
Lazarus VAALPEU	15	B	10	Jack DE BELIN
Alec MacDONALD	17	B	15	Raymond FAITALA-MARINER
Tepai MOEROA	22	B	16	Ryan COUCHMAN
Craig BELLAMY		HC		Shane FLANAGAN

Date: Sat, 3rd August. Kickoff: 5:30 PM. Halftime: St George Illawarra 12-10. Penalties: St George Illawarra 7-6. Referee: Grant Atkins. Crowd: 18,103.

HOME CROWD AVERAGES

Averages exclude neutral venue matches

Club	Average	Club	Average	Club	Average	Club	Average
Brisbane	40,710	Canterbury	19,566	Manly	16,251	Wests Tigers	12,325
Warriors	23,698	Melbourne	19,223	Gold Coast	16,231	Cronulla	11,622
Sydney	21,849	Penrith	19,032	St Geo Illa	15,479		
Newcastle	21,699	North Qld	18,715	Souths	15,258		
Dolphins	19,614	Parramatta	18,524	Canberra	13,259		

CROWD WATCH - ROUND 22

Timeslot	Match	Venue	Crowd
Thu 7:50pm	WST v NQL	Leichhardt	7,231
Fri 8:00pm	WAR v PAR	Go Media	23,812
Fri 6:00pm	DOL v SYD	HBFB	20,027
Sat 3:00pm	GLD v BRI	Chus Super	25,278
Sat 5:30pm	MEL v SGI	AAMI	18,103
Sat 7:35pm	CRO v SOU	Pointsbet	12,763
Sun 2:00pm	PEN v NEW	BlueBet	20,261
Sun 4:05pm	CBY v CAN	Belmore	18,110

ROUND 22 SEASON AGGREGATE 145,585
AGGREGATE 3,155,868
Avg 18,198
Avg 19,243

SHARKS SCRAPPY WIN OVER SLOPPY SOUTHS

ANDREW FERGUSON

The Sharks kept their top 4 hopes intact, despite a woeful first half against South Sydney, to run away with the match in the second half, recording a 14 point victory at home.

Souths opened the scoring in the 7th minute, off the back of the scrum. They sent the ball out to Jye Gray, who outpaced Kayal Iro and then sliced through a small gap to score a smart try. Fletcher Myers on debut failed to convert from out wide.

Cronulla hit back in the 15th minute when Jesse Ramien went on a great run after reeling in a pass that went behind him. He then drew the two defenders before sending a good ball to Sione Katoa who scored in the corner. Braydon Trindall's sideline conversion hit the upright and was waved away.

The remaining 25 minutes of the half saw both sides struggle with handling and discipline in defence, neither capitalising on the set restarts they received. In the 28th minute, Myers landed a penalty goal.

Sam Stonestreet was denied a try in the 33rd minute when he dived for the corner and attempted to plant the ball one-handed, but was ruled to have dropped it at the last moment.

Just before the halftime siren sounded, Stonestreet crossed again, but was again denied a try due to an obstruction in the lead-up play. At halftime, Souths held a 6-4 lead.

7 minutes into the second half, Stonestreet finally gets a try when some nice catch and passing on the left edge creates the extra man and the winger dived over to score. Trindall failed to convert from out wide.

In the 58th minute, Iro found himself put in open space down the left sideline after Siosifa Talakai bumped out of one tackle, then drew two defenders. Iro then linked with Trindall inside and the halfback scored under the sticks. He then converted his own try.

The Sharks extended their lead further in the 65th minute when Trindall put in a gorgeous grubber to the left corner which bounces up perfectly for Iro, who regathered and scored. Daniel Atkinson took over the kicking duties due to Trindall succumbing to a tweak in his hamstring. Atkinson nailed the sideline conversion.



The final 15 minutes resembled the first half, with messy play and neither side taking the upper hand or building momentum. However, the Rabbitohs execution in attack, especially when close to Cronulla's line, was dire, which helped the Sharks hold their lead and run out winners 20-6.

CRONULLA	20	-	6	SOUTH SYDNEY
Kayal IRO		T		Jye GRAY
Sione KATOA				
Samuel STONESTREET				
Braydon TRINDALL				
Daniel ATKINSON	1/1	G	1/2	Fletcher MYERS
Braydon TRINDALL	1/3			
TEAMSHEETS				
William KENNEDY	1	FB	1	Jye GRAY
Sione KATOA	2	W	2	Fletcher MYERS
Jesse RAMIEN	3	C	3	Taane MILNE
Kayal IRO	4	C	4	Richard KENNAR
Samuel STONESTREET	5	W	5	Jacob GAGAI
Daniel ATKINSON	6	FE	6	Jack WIGHTON
Braydon TRINDALL	7	HB	18	Dion TEAUPA
Royce HUNT	8	FR	8	Davy MOALE
Blayne BRAILEY	9	HK	9	Damien COOK
Oregon KAUFUSI	10	FR	10	Sean KEPPIE
Briton NIKORA	11	2R	11	Cameron MURRAY (c)
Teig WILTON	12	2R	12	Jacob HOST
Cameron McINNES (c)	13	L	13	Keaton KOLOAMATANGI
Siosifa TALAKAI	14	B	14	Michael CHEE-KAM
Jack WILLIAMS	15	B	15	Siliva HAVILI
Toby RUDOLF	16	B	16	Thomas BURGESS
Braden HAMLIN-UELE	17	B	17	Tallis DUNCAN
Craig FITZGIBBON		HC		Ben HORNBY

Date: Sat, 3rd August. Kickoff: 7:35 PM. Halftime: South Sydney 6-4.
Penalties: 7-all. Referee: Liam Kennedy. Crowd: 12,763.

PANTHERS WITHHOLD SIEGE FROM SPIRITED KNIGHTS

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A Sunday afternoon arm wrestle at BlueBet Stadium saw the Penrith Panthers out last a spirited Newcastle Knights 22-14, with Penrith stars, young and old, standing out for the mountain men.

Nathan Cleary was able to take the game by the horns and show he is a clutch player, injecting himself at the right moment to put a halt to the Knights Crusade, which saw them come close and keep the Panthers fans on the edge of their seat for the majority of the game. It was the Knights who showed resolve on their line early, thwarting the pressure from the Panthers' attack. And it was the Knights who struck first after a high ball from Tyson Gamble was fumbled by debutant fullback Isaiah Iongi. Taking advantage of field position, Daniel Saifiti stormed over, and it was 6-0 after Kalyn Ponga's conversion in the 7th minute. But the Panthers pounced right back off the kick-off after the Knights made an error early in their set of six from the kick-off. Matt Eisenhuth hit the line, drawing the Knights defence in only to offload, and the Panthers went left, sending Casey McLean over in the 11th minute for his second NRL try, levelling the game 6-6 after Nathan Cleary's conversion.

The next 25 minutes of the game was an arm wrestle as both teams gained good territory, but both were conceding penalties, giving their opposition reprieves from line attacks. The deadlock finally broke when Izack Tago made a break down the Panthers right around Greg Marzhev and opened up space for Brian To'o, who gained ground and then came back in to find Tago in support to go over for his first try in eight games for the Panthers. Cleary's conversion in the 27th minute put the score at 12-6 Panthers coach Ivan Cleary's interchanges around the 22-minute mark may have paid off, as in the last 10 minutes of the half, the Knights just seemed to be hanging on. A 'No Try' to Tago in the 33rd minute saw no letup from the Panthers, and their pressure saw Jack Hetherington go high, gifting two points to round out a big half 14-6 for the Panthers. The half ended with Ponga only going for 23 meters at the back while his opposite, Isaiah Iongi, had run over 100 metres. The Knights were being vanilla in their end-of-set kicks, while the Panthers were not letting up in intensity.

The second half started as a slogfest, with each side probing for space or an error. Liam Martin went full beast mode with a scamper down their right edge only coming to a stop as Ponga put his body on the line. Tyson Gamble came up with a big play just after this to put some wind behind the Knight's sails with a cheeky 40/20. But the Panthers were showing up in defence, and the Knights asked no hard questions at the end of their sets. We were at another stalemate, and each team was waiting for the other to break.

And as a credit to the quality of footy that was being played, the error in play didn't come till the 55th minute when Sunia Turuva failed to handle a fumbled ball from a Knights attack. The resulting scrum Gamble saw a sprinting Tyson Frizell hitting a gap, and he went over to put the Knights within two points after Ponga's successful conversion made the score 14-12. There was a definite spring in the step of the Knights after this try and the game was having all the hallmarks for a blockbuster ending.

Another 'No Try' came after the Panthers turned defence into attack, with Tago slamming Ponga in a no-look pass and To'o running off to the try line. But it was ruled high and the Knights got a chance with good field position to come back. But it was a second high shot, this time on Phoenix Crossland, that gifted the Knights a two-point penalty conversion in front, bringing the game level at 14-14 in minute 66. Crossland had to go off for an HIA and was replaced by a competent Jack Cogger. But the sniff of a victory against the NRL



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BlueBet Stadium, Penrith / Dharug

heavyweights took a blow after Daniel Saifiti went high in a tackle, giving the Panthers a ticket to do down the field.

This was finished off when Nathan Cleary showed how much of a clutch player he is, tacking on the Knight's defence with a big right step and plenty of intestinal fortitude to go over in the 70th minute. He gets the conversion and it's a six-point game. The last ten minutes saw the Knights get another chance at the Panthers' line, only for Gamble not to put any polish on a grubber behind the line, giving the Panthers the ball back and an easy set out of their half. A final Panthers raid on the Knights line saw another head-high tackle penalty awarded and Nathan Cleary out over the two points on the buzzer to take the game and bring up 1500 points in his career in the NRL.

Both coaches were pleased with their respective team effort, with a good show put on for the Sunday afternoon fans. Newcastle coach Adam O'Brien felt that ill-discipline let them down and not being able to make anything out of the last tackle. He did praise his teams' efforts, as he said with the loss of Jacob Saifiti before the whistle already put their backs against the wall, but they rose to the occasion. Panthers coach Ivan Cleary felt it was a hard-fought victory and was impressed that Isaiah Iongi finally got a chance to play in the NRL, where he sees the kid having a bright future. Coach Cleary was also proud of the big play moment from son Nathan to score the final and winning try.

PENRITH	22	-	14	NEWCASTLE
Nathan CLEARY		T		Tyson FRIZELL
Casey McLEAN				Daniel SAIFITI
Izack TAGO				
Nathan CLEARY	5/5	G	3/3	Kalyn PONGA
TEAMSHEETS				
Isaiah IONGI	1	FB	1	Kalyn PONGA (c)
Sunia TURUVA	2	W	2	Fletcher SHARPE
Izack TAGO	3	C	3	Dane GAGAI
Casey McLEAN	4	C	4	Dylan LUCAS
Brian TO'O	5	W	5	Greg MARZHEW
Jarome LUAI	6	FE	6	Tyson GAMBLE
Nathan CLEARY (c)	7	HB	7	Phoenix CROSSLAND
Moses LEOTA	8	FR	8	Daniel SAIFITI
Mitch KENNY	9	HK	9	Jayden BRAILEY
Matt EISENHUTH	15	FR	10	Leo THOMPSON
Scott SORENSEN	11	2R	11	Tyson FRIZELL
Liam MARTIN	12	2R	12	Kai PEARCE-PAUL
Isaiah YEO	13	L	13	Adam ELLIOTT
Lindsay SMITH	10	B	14	Jack COGGER
Trent TOELAU	14	B	16	Jack HETHERINGTON
Liam HENRY	16	B	17	Mat CROKER
Mavrik GEYER	17	B	18	Thomas CANT
Ivan CLEARY		HC		Adam O'BRIEN

Date: Sun, 4th August. Kickoff: 2:00 PM. Halftime: Penrith 14-6.
Penalties: Penrith 10-6. Referee: Adam Gee. Crowd: 20,261.

BULLDOGS SOAR WITH BELMORE SPIRIT

ROB CROSBY

The Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs have moved a step closer to securing a return to the finals after defeating the Canberra Raiders 22-18 in front of a sold-out Belmore crowd.

Breaking a run of nine straight losses against the Raiders to move into fifth position on the ladder, the Bulldogs stood tall in one of the games of the season while the Raiders only gained admirers with a gritty performance in Josh Papalii's 300th game for the club.

In a fierce opening which saw the Bulldogs repel the Raiders multiple times inside their 20 metre zone, a spectacular display of power and footwork saw Stephen Crichton (17th minute) fend off Sebastian Kris and Jordan Rapana to open the scoring.

Taking advantage of a powerful run by Joseph Tapine that resulted in a repeat set, interchange forward Trey Mooney (21st minute) responded by crashing underneath the black dot for his first try of the season.

As both teams traded sets as the half wore on, a Matt Burton penalty goal levelled proceedings before a wayward two-point field goal attempt from Jamal Fogarty with seconds remaining saw the teams switch ends locked at 6-all.

Having produced a solo effort to open the scoring in the first half, Crichton (45th minute) did likewise after halftime by executing a grubber and grounding before the dead ball line to give the home side a 10-6 lead.

Josh Addo-Carr (52nd minute) marked his return following a two-month stint on the sidelines with an untouched run down the sideline after Bronson Xerri exposed the Raiders defence from a scrum.

The Raiders refused to let the result slip away and struck back with Jamal Fogarty threading a kick in-goal that allowed Matt Timoko (59th minute) to narrow the margin to four points.

An inspiring act of courage from Kaeo Weekes dislodged the ball from Viliame Kikau's grasp - preventing a certain try - however the Bulldogs weren't to be denied as Crichton caught a bomb from Burton and found Addo-Carr (68th minute) in support to the delight of 18,110 supporters in attendance.

A towering bomb from Adam Cook forced an error which saw the Raiders strike immediately from a scrum through Jordan Rapana (72nd minute), whose 106th try saw him surpass Brett Mullins as the club's third highest try-scorer.



A hail mary bomb from Cook on the final play of the game failed to produce a miracle as the Bulldogs held on to record a deserved 22-18 win at their spiritual home.

Next week, the Raiders will return home on Saturday afternoon to take on the Sea Eagles, while the Bulldogs will travel to Kogarah on Saturday night to face the Dragons.

CANTERBURY	22	-	18	CANBERRA
Josh ADDO-CARR	2	T		Trey MOONEY
Stephen CRICHTON	2			Jordan RAPANA
				Matthew TIMOKO
Matt BURTON	3/5	G	3/3	Jamal FOGARTY
TEAMSHEETS				
Connor TRACEY	1	FB	1	Kaeo WEEKES
Jacob KIRAZ	2	W	2	Jordan RAPANA
Bronson XERRI	3	C	3	Matthew TIMOKO
Stephen CRICHTON (c)	4	C	4	Sebastian KRIS
Josh ADDO-CARR	5	W	5	Xavier SAVAGE
Matt BURTON	6	FE	18	Adam COOK
Toby SEXTON	7	HB	7	Jamal FOGARTY
Josh CURRAN	8	FR	8	Josh PAPALII
Reed MAHONEY	9	HK	9	Tom STARLING
Samuel HUGHES	10	FR	10	Joseph TAPINE
Viliame KIKAU	11	2R	11	Hudson YOUNG
Jacob PRESTON	12	2R	12	Elliott WHITEHEAD
Kurt MANN	13	L	13	Morgan SMITHIES
Bailey HAYWARD	14	B	14	Danny LEVI
Kurtis MORRIN	16	B	15	Trey MOONEY
Harry HAYES	17	B	16	Ata MARIOTA
		B	17	Zac HOSKING
Cameron CIRALDO		HC		Ricky STUART

Date: Sun, 4th August. Kickoff: 4:05 PM. Halftime: 6-all.
Penalties: 6-all. Referee: Ashley Klein. Crowd: 18,110.

LU **NRL** PLAYER OF THE YEAR *after Round 22*

Our writers issue points every game for who they judge as the best player on the field. Includes points accumulated during State of Origin series.

27 points - **Daly Cherry-Evans (Sea Eagles 24, Maroons 3)**

23 points - Dylan Edwards (Panthers 20, Blues 3)

20 points - Jahrome Hughes (Storm)

18 points - James Tedesco (Roosters)

17 points - Reece Walsh (Broncos)

16 points - Sam Walker (Roosters), Ben Hunt (Dragons)

15 points - Jamal Fogarty (Raiders)

14 points - Hamiso Tabuai-Fidow (Dolphins 12, Maroons 2), Angus Crichton (Roosters 10, Blues 4)

13 points - Keano Kini (Titans), Mitchell Moses (Eels 10, Blues 3)

12 points - Zac Lomax (Dragons), Nathan Cleary (Panthers), Isaah Yeo (Panthers), Matt Burton (Bulldogs), Te Maire Martin (Warriors), Latrell Mitchell (Rabbitohs 11, Blues 1)

11 points - Nicho Hynes (Sharks), Ronaldo Mulitalo (Sharks), Apisai Koroisau (Wests Tigers), Isaiya Katoa (Dolphins), AJ Brimson (Titans), Scott Drinkwater (Cowboys)

10 points - Braydon Trindall (Sharks), Eliesa Katoa (Storm), Jarome Luai (Panthers 9, Blues 1)

9 points - Dylan Brown (Eels), Clinton Gutherson (Eels), Tyrell Sloan (Dragons), Reece Robson (Cowboys), Keaton Koloamatangi (Rabbitohs)

8 points - Josh Curran (Bulldogs), Dane Gagai (Knights), Damien Cook (Rabbitohs), Kieran Foran (Titans), Harry Grant (Storm), Reed Mahoney (Bulldogs)

7 points - Connor Watson (Roosters), Ezra Mam (Broncos), Jacob Kiraz (Bulldogs), Tom Dearden (Cowboys), Brian To'o (Panthers), Terrell May (Roosters), Selwyn Cobbo (Broncos), Adam Reynolds (Broncos), Shaun Johnson (Warriors)

6 points - Connor Tracey (Bulldogs), Xavier Coates (Storm), David Fifita (Titans), Joseph Manu (Roosters), Stephen Crichton (Bulldogs), Cody Walker (Rabbitohs), Tyrann Wishart (Storm), Kaeo Weekes (Raiders), Jackson Hastings (Knights), William Kennedy (Sharks), Addin Fonua-Blake (Warriors), Viliame Kikau (Bulldogs), Dallin Watene-Zelezniak (Warriors), Jaydn Su'A (Dragons 5, Maroons 1)

5 points - Dylan Lucas (Knights), Trai Fuller (Dolphins), Haumole Olakau'atu (Sea Eagles), Jacob Liddle (Dragons), Kayal Iro (Sharks), Lachlan Galvin (Wests Tigers), Patrick Carrigan (Broncos),

Jordan Rapana (Raiders), Kalyn Ponga (Knights), Ryan Papenhuyzen (Storm), Blayke Brailey (Sharks), Bradman Best (Knights), Roger Tuivasa-Sheck (Warriors), Jeremiah Nanai (Cowboys), Tom Trbojevic (Sea Eagles), Jahream Bula (Wests Tigers), Lehi Hopoate (Sea Eagles), Jayden Campbell (Titans)

4 points - Dominic Young (Roosters), Chad Townsend (Cowboys), Josh Addo-Carr (Bulldogs), Hudson Young (Raiders), James Fisher-Harris (Panthers), Jackson Ford (Warriors), David Armstrong (Knights), Kodi Nikorima (Dolphins), Reuben Cotter (Cowboys), Zac Hosking (Raiders), Toby Sexton (Bulldogs), Victor Radley (Roosters), Ethan Strange (Raiders), Jacob Preston (Bulldogs), Joseph Tapine (Raiders), Herbie Farnworth (Dolphins), Max Plath (Dolphins), Lindsay Collins (Roosters), Mitchell Barnett (Warriors)

3 points - Kyle Feldt (Cowboys), Luke Brooks (Sea Eagles), Daejarn Asi (Eels), Tyson Gamble (Knights), Sione Katoa (Sharks), Ben Trbojevic (Sea Eagles), Elliott Whitehead (Raiders), Moeaki Fotuauka (Titans), Shawn Blore (Storm), Adam Elliott (Knights), Daniel Atkinson (Sharks), Jason Saab (Sea Eagles), Euan Aitken (Dolphins), Jack de Belin (Dragons), Jesse Marschke (Dragons), Jamayne Isaako (Dolphins), Morgan Smithies (Raiders), Thomas Hazelton (Sharks), William Warbrick (Storm), Payne Haas (Broncos), Charnze Nicoll-Klokstad (Warriors), Murray Taulagi (Cowboys), Thomas Flegler (Dolphins), Bryce Cartwright (Eels), Stefano Utoikamanu (Wests Tigers), Cameron Murray (Rabbitohs), Jack Cogger (Knights), Zac Laybutt (Cowboys), Junior Paulo (Eels), Matthew Timoko (Raiders), Cameron Munster (Storm), Teig Wilton (Sharks), Josh King (Storm), Wayne Egan (Warriors)

2 points - Sualauvi Faalogo (Storm), Jake Trbojevic (Sea Eagles), Tevita Pangai Junior (Dolphins), Phillip Sami (Titans), J' maine Hopgood (Eels), Corey Waddell (Sea Eagles), Briton Nikora (Sharks), Jack Williams (Sharks), Scott Sorensen (Panthers), Jye Gray (Rabbitohs), Chanel Harris-Tavita (Warriors), Samuela Fainu (Wests Tigers), Jake Clifford (Cowboys), Tanah Boyd (Titans), Kotoni Staggs (Broncos), Luke Keary (Roosters), Tolutau Koula (Sea Eagles), Taine Tuapiki (Warriors), Tommy Talau (Sea Eagles), Heilum Luki (Cowboys), Luke Garner (Panthers), Isaiah Papalii (Wests Tigers), Siosifa Talakai (Sharks), Deine Mariner (Broncos), Billy Walters (Broncos), Sandon Smith (Roosters), Izack Tago (Panthers), Tyson Frizell (Knights), Jojo Fifita (Titans), Jock Madden (Broncos), Toafofoa Siple (Sea Eagles), Nathan Brown (Sea Eagles), Liam Martin (Panthers), Valentine Holmes (Cowboys), Taane Milne (Rabbitohs), Grant Anderson (Storm)

1 point - Beau Fermor (Titans), Greg Marzhev (Knights), Harrison Edwards (Bulldogs), Bronson Garlick (Storm), Jesse Arthurs (Broncos), Reagan Campbell-Gillard (Eels), Christian Tuipulotu (Dragons), Tallyn Da Silva (Wests Tigers), Jamie Humphreys (Sea Eagles), Kurtis Morrin (Bulldogs), Daine Laurie (Panthers), Charlie Guymer (Eels), Cameron McInnes (Sharks), Max King (Bulldogs), Lindsay Smith (Panthers), Jack Wighton (Rabbitohs), Blake Wilson (Bulldogs), Brodie Jones (Knights), Josh Kerr (Dolphins), Asu Kepaoa (Wests Tigers), Thomas Burgess (Rabbitohs), Justin Olam (Wests Tigers), Bronson Xerri (Bulldogs), Griffin Neame (Cowboys), Mikaele Ravalawa (Dragons), Brad Schneider (Panthers), Reuben Garrick (Sea Eagles), Nat Butcher (Roosters), Charlie Staines (Wests Tigers), Daniel Saifiti (Knights), Taylan May (Panthers), Erin Clark (Titans), Braidon Burns (Cowboys), Nick Meaney (Storm), Jason Taumalolo (Cowboys), Royce Hunt (Sharks), Jack Bostock (Dolphins), Tristan Sailor (Broncos), Alofiana Khan-Pereira (Titans), Luciano Leilua (Dragons), Kulikefu Finefeuiaki (Cowboys), Jack Cole (Panthers), Brandon Smith (Roosters), Sam Verrills (Titans), Aidan Sezer (Wests Tigers), Rocco Berry (Warriors), Jesse McLean (Panthers), Adam Douiehi (Wests Tigers)

LU **NRLW** PLAYER OF THE YEAR *after Round 2*

Our writers issue points every game for who they judge as the best player on the field. Includes points accumulated during State of Origin series.

5 points - **Kennedy Cherrington (Eels)**

4 points - Evania Pelite (Titans)

3 points - Zahara Temara (Raiders), Lauren Brown (Titans), Lilly-Ann White (Knights), Georgia Hale (Titans), Kirra Dibb (Cowboys), Tarryn Aiken (Roosters), Quincy Dodd (Sharks), Simaima Taufa (Raiders), Tamika Upton (Knights), Tiana Penitani (Sharks), Hannah Southwell (Knights)

2 points - Jessica Sergis (Roosters), Jakiya Whitfeld (Cowboys), Brooke Anderson (Sharks), Madison Bartlett (Raiders), Rachael Pearson (Eels)

1 point - Teagan Berry (Dragons), Isabelle Kelly (Roosters), Tazmin Rapana (Broncos), Millie Elliott (Roosters), Emily Bass (Titans), Elsie Albert (Eels), Lily Peacock (Cowboys), Kezie Apps (Wests Tigers)

NRLW 2024 FIXTURES

ROUND 1

JUL 25	Thu 7:45pm	NEWCASTLE	SYDNEY	12 - 10	McDonald Jones	3,921
JUL 27	Sat 11:05am	CRONULLA	NORTH QLD	14 - 0	Pointsbet Stadium	1,257
JUL 27	Sat 12:45pm	BRISBANE	PARRAMATTA	10 - 22	Suncorp Stadium	10,382
JUL 28	Sun 12:00pm	ST GEO ILLA	GOLD COAST	10 - 18	WIN Stadium	10,728
JUL 28	Sun 1:45pm	WESTS TIGERS	CANBERRA	12 - 32	Campbelltown	1,506

ROUND 2

AUG 3	Sat 11:05am	CANBERRA	NEWCASTLE	20 - 26	GIO Stadium	1,791
AUG 3	Sat 12:45pm	GOLD COAST	WESTS TIGERS	28 - 12	Cbus Super Stadium	11,105
AUG 4	Sun 12:00pm	PARRAMATTA	CRONULLA	16 - 18	Allianz Stadium	1,166
AUG 4	Sun 1:45pm	SYDNEY	BRISBANE	28 - 12	Allianz Stadium	2,899
AUG 4	Sun 6:10pm	NORTH QLD	ST GEO ILLA	38 - 34	QLD Country Bank	2,427

ROUND 3

AUG 10	Sat 11:05am	SYDNEY	WESTS TIGERS		Industree Group	
AUG 10	Sat 12:45pm	CANBERRA	CRONULLA		GIO Stadium	
AUG 11	Sun 12:00pm	NORTH QLD	PARRAMATTA		Totally Workwear	
AUG 11	Sun 1:45pm	BRISBANE	GOLD COAST		Totally Workwear	
AUG 11	Sun 6:10pm	NEWCASTLE	ST GEO ILLA		McDonald Jones	

ROUND 4

AUG 17	Sat 11:05am	BRISBANE	CANBERRA		Totally Workwear	
AUG 17	Sat 12:45pm	NORTH QLD	GOLD COAST		QLD Country Bank	
AUG 18	Sun 12:00pm	ST GEO ILLA	SYDNEY		WIN Stadium	
AUG 18	Sun 1:45pm	CRONULLA	NEWCASTLE		Pointsbet Stadium	
AUG 18	Sun 6:10pm	WESTS TIGERS	PARRAMATTA		Campbelltown	

ROUND 5

AUG 24	Sat 11:05am	PARRAMATTA	NEWCASTLE		Eric Tweedale	
AUG 24	Sat 12:45pm	CANBERRA	NORTH QLD		GIO Stadium	
AUG 25	Sun 12:00pm	GOLD COAST	SYDNEY		Cbus Super	
AUG 25	Sun 1:45pm	WESTS TIGERS	BRISBANE		Leichhardt Oval	
AUG 25	Sun 6:10pm	ST GEO ILLA	CRONULLA		WIN Stadium	

ROUND 6

AUG 31	Sat 11:05am	GOLD COAST	CRONULLA		Cbus Super Stadium	
AUG 31	Sat 12:45pm	PARRAMATTA	ST GEO ILLA		CommBank Stadium	
SEP 1	Sun 12:00pm	NEWCASTLE	WESTS TIGERS		McDonald Jones	
SEP 1	Sun 1:45pm	BRISBANE	NORTH QLD		Totally Workwear	
SEP 1	Sun 6:10pm	SYDNEY	CANBERRA		Allianz Stadium	

ROUND 7

SEP 7	Sat 11:05am	NORTH QLD	WESTS TIGERS		QLD Country Bank	
SEP 7	Sat 12:45pm	ST GEO ILLA	CANBERRA		Netstrata	
SEP 8	Sun 12:00pm	CRONULLA	SYDNEY		Pointsbet Stadium	
SEP 8	Sun 1:45pm	PARRAMATTA	GOLD COAST		Eric Tweedale	
SEP 8	Sun 6:10pm	NEWCASTLE	BRISBANE		McDonald Jones	

ROUND 8

SEP 12	Thu 7:45pm	WESTS TIGERS	ST GEO ILLA		Leichhardt Oval	
SEP 14	Sat 12:00pm	BRISBANE	CRONULLA		Cbus Super Stadium	
SEP 14	Sat 1:45pm	GOLD COAST	NEWCASTLE		Cbus Super Stadium	
SEP 15	Sun 12:00pm	SYDNEY	NORTH QLD		Industree Group	
SEP 15	Sun 1:45pm	CANBERRA	PARRAMATTA		GIO Stadium	

ROUND 9

SEP 19	Thu 7:45pm	CRONULLA	WESTS TIGERS		Pointsbet Stadium	
SEP 21	Sat 1:30pm	ST GEO ILLA	BRISBANE		QLD Country Bank	
SEP 21	Sat 3:15pm	NORTH QLD	NEWCASTLE		QLD Country Bank	
SEP 22	Sun 1:30pm	CANBERRA	GOLD COAST		CommBank Stadium	
SEP 22	Sun 3:15pm	PARRAMATTA	SYDNEY		CommBank Stadium	

SEMI FINALS

SEP 27-29	TBC	1ST	4TH		Venue TBC
SEP 27-29	TBC	2ND	3RD		Venue TBC

GRAND FINAL

OCT 6	Sun 3:55pm	WINNER SF 1	WINNER SF 2		Accor Stadium
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NRLW ROUND 2 WRAP

KNIGHTS PIP RAIDERS IN CONTROVERSIAL CAPITAL CLASH *JOSH ROBERTSON*

Down in the Nation's capital, drama filled the air as a 70th minute penalty try to Tamika Upton sealed a 26-20 victory for the Newcastle Knights at GIO Stadium.

Just like last week, the Raiders started fast with two tries inside six minutes to Mackenzie Wiki and Zahara Temara and opened a 10-0 lead early on.

The Knights then were able to hit back in the 15th and 25th minutes to Hannah Southwell and debutant Lilly-Ann White to level the scores.

The Raiders kicked a penalty goal just shy of the half time break and took a 12-10 lead.

Newcastle were able to take the lead not long after the Raiders had extended their lead to 4 when Caitlan Johnston-Green was able to score and put the Novocastrians into the lead for the first time.

Canberra re-took the lead just after the hour mark when Shakiah Tungai scored but it didn't last long when with six minutes to play, the Knights were able to level the scores when a kick return from Lilly-Ann White put her downfield and eventually Sheridan Gallagher scored. The missed conversion from close range from Jesse Southwell set the game up for a grandstand finish and it was via a Raiders error that Newcastle got into position to set up the game.

The drama came when Apii Nicholls' only option was to grab Tamika Upton who established the lead on a chase but was brought down before she could get to the ball. It was an easy decision for the bunker who awarded the penalty try and it gave the Knights a 26-20 win.

CANBERRA	20	-	26	NEWCASTLE
Zahara TEMARA		T		Sheridan GALLAGHER
Shakiah TUNGAI				Caitlan JOHNSTON
Mackenzie WIKI				Hannah SOUTHWELL
				Tamika UPTON
				Lilly-Ann WHITE
Zahara TEMARA	4/5	G	3/5	Jesse SOUTHWELL
TEAMSHEETS				
Apii NICHOLLS-PUALAU	1	FB	1	Tamika UPTON
Madison BARTLETT	2	W	2	Sheridan GALLAGHER
Cheyelle ROBINS-RETI	3	C	3	Shanice PARKER
Mackenzie WIKI	4	C	4	Abigail ROACHE
Shakiah TUNGAI	5	W	5	Lilly-Ann WHITE
Zahara TEMARA (c)	6	FE	6	Georgia ROCHE
Ashleigh QUINLAN	7	HB	7	Jesse SOUTHWELL
Tommaya KELLY-SINES	8	FR	8	Tayla PREDEBON
Chante TEMARA	9	HK	9	Olivia HIGGINS
Sophie HOLYMAN	10	FR	10	Caitlan JOHNSTON
Monalisa SOLIOLA	11	2R	11	Laishon ALBERT-JONES
Hollie-Mae DODD	12	2R	12	Yasmin CLYDSDALE
Simaima TAUFA	13	L	13	Hannah SOUTHWELL (c)
Emma BARNES	14	B	14	Nita MAYNARD
Grace KEMP	15	B	15	Kayla ROMANIUK
Kerehitina MATUA	16	B	16	Rima BUTLER
Sereana NAITOKATOKA	17	B	17	Isabella WATERMAN
Darrin BORTHWICK		HC		Ben JEFFRIES

Date: Sat, 3rd August. Kickoff: 11:00 AM. Halftime: Canberra (W) 12-10.
Penalties: Canberra (W) 6-4. Referee: Daniel Luttringer. Crowd: 1,791.

NRLW ROUND 2 WRAP

TITANS PILE ON THE PAIN FOR THE TIGERS TIM COSTELLO

A slow start for the Titans gave way to a dominant performance as the Gold Coast stormed home to win 28-12 over the winless Wests Tigers at Cbus Super Stadium on Saturday.

A Jaime Chapman treble was the highlight of the day for the hosts, who are 2-0 from their two matches so far. It was the Tigers who started fastest, a Salma Nour try putting the visitors on the right foot early. The hosts hit back through Chapman's first try not long after, but the Tigers were stern in the face of their opponents and hit back with Losana Latu crossing with a spectacular four-pointer. Gold Coast flicked the switch not long after, with back-to-back tries turning a six point deficit into a four-point halftime lead at 16-12, with Chapman's second paired up with a try to Hailey-Jay Ormond-Maunsell.

Chapman's hat-trick was complete early in the second half before Evania Pelite iced the result 18 minutes before fulltime, a point after which the scoreboard was not troubled further.

GOLD COAST	28	-	12	WESTS TIGERS
Jaime CHAPMAN	3	T		Losana LUTU
Hailee-Jay MAUNSELL				Salma NOUR
Evania PELITE				
Lauren BROWN	4/5	G	2/2	Pauline PILIAE-RASABALE
TEAMSHEETS				
Evania PELITE	1	FB	1	Botille VETTE-WELSH (c)
Georgia GREY	2	W	2	Harmony CRICHTON
Jaime CHAPMAN	3	C	3	Leianne TUFUGA
Niall WILLIAMS-GUTHRIE	4	C	4	Rikeya HORNE
Emily BASS	5	W	5	Tess STAINES
Taliah FUIMAONO	6	FE	6	Pauline PILIAE-RASABALE
Lauren BROWN	7	HB	7	Losana LUTU
Shannon MATO	8	FR	8	Sarah TOGATUKI
Brittany BREAYLEY-NATI	9	HK	9	Salma NOUR
Jessika ELLISTON	10	FR	10	Christian PIO
Rilee JORGENSEN	11	2R	11	Kezie APPS
Shaylee BENT	12	2R	12	Shaienne McGLONE
Georgia HALE (c)	13	L	13	Najvada GEORGE
Lily KOLC	14	B	14	Sophie CURTAIN
Hailee-Jay MAUNSELL	15	B	15	Tara REINKE
Dannii PERESE	16	B	16	Natasha PENITANI
Laikha CLARKE	17	B	17	Brooke TALATAINA
Karyn MURPHY		HC		Brett KIMMORLEY

Date: Sat, 3rd August. Kickoff: 12:45 PM. Halftime: Gold Coast (W) 16-12.
Penalties: Wests Tigers (W) 6-3. Referee: Nick Pelgrave. Crowd: 11,105.

SYDNEY	28	-	12	BRISBANE
Tarryn AIKEN	2	T		Jada FERGUSON
Jessica SERGIS	2			Romy TEITZEL
Jayme FRESSARD				
Jocelyn KELLEHER	4/4	G	2/2	Brianna CLARK
Keeley DAVIS	0/1			
TEAMSHEETS				
Sam BREMNER	1	FB	1	Hayley MADDICK
Jayme FRESSARD	2	W	2	Julia ROBINSON
Jessica SERGIS	3	C	3	Mele HUFANGA
Jasmin STRANGE	4	C	4	Lauren DAM
Mia WOOD	5	W	5	Bree SPREADBOROUGH
Isabelle KELLY (c)	6	FE	6	Skyla ADAMS
Tarryn AIKEN	7	HB	7	Ali BRIGGINSHAW (c)
Millie ELLIOTT	8	FR	8	Keilee JOSEPH
Keeley DAVIS	9	HK	9	Jada FERGUSON
Kalosipani HOPOATE	10	FR	10	Brianna CLARK
Otesa PULE	11	2R	11	Tazmin GRAY
Olivia KERNICK	12	2R	12	Romy TEITZEL
Aliyah NASIO	13	L	16	Jasmine FOGAVINI
Jocelyn KELLEHER	14	B	13	Mariah DENMAN
Samantha ECONOMOS	16	B	14	Destiny BRILL
Mya HILL-MOANA	17	B	15	Chelsea LENARDUZZI
Amber HALL	21	B	17	Bridget HOY
John STRANGE		HC		Scott PRINCE

Date: Sun, 4th August. Kickoff: 1:45 PM. Halftime: Sydney (W) 16-6.
Penalties: Sydney (W) 7-3. Referee: Belinda Sharpe. Crowd: 2,899.

SHARKS DOWN EELS IN THRILLER AJ LUCANTONIO

Cronulla have gone 2-2 to start the NRLW season after a hard-fought win over Parramatta. The win has come at a cost with Jada Taylor coming from the field injured during the second half.

The Eels started the way they finished in Brisbane last week, strong and with intent. After a week of headlines for defending her injured sister this week, Kennedy Cherrington responded by crossing the line first. A strong carry from Elsie Albert saw her get an arm free to Cherrington who crossed next to the posts and an early 6-0 buffer. The Sharks hit back swiftly, and it was Ellie Johnston who charged across the line four minutes later. It was a simple crash ball and Johnston outmuscled her way to the line to level the scores back at 6 apiece. Parramatta would later dominate possession and added a try in the 17th minute. Monique Donovan crossed after some strong lead-up work from Cherrington, Chloe Jackson and Abbi Church to find her winger in the corner. Parramatta would earn their 10-6 lead the break thanks to some strong defence late in the half. They also had chances to extend, but thanks to a great try-saver from Taylor, the lead remained 4 points.

Quincy Dodd's grubber was well weighted after the break, and it was the flying Taylor who won the race to ground the ball first and the Sharks took the lead by just two points. Taylor's game would end with 25 to go as she left with injury. Parramatta later capitalised on some poor defusal work from Cassie Staples to score with 12 to play. A great cross-field kick from Cassey Tohi-Hiku was put down and Rory Owen pounced on the ball to retake the lead. Cronulla thought they led with nine minutes to go as Johnston claimed her second try. However, the bunker ruled that she had promoted the ball illegally in a second movement. They didn't need to wait too long as the Sharks soon retook the lead as last year's Rookie of the Year pounced to take the lead. A kick ricochet off a Parramatta leg went to Annessa Biddle who scored the match winner. Parramatta will be buoyed by another strong performance, but devastated they couldn't get the victory. Cronulla will be thrilled to go 2-0 but facing an interesting dilemma involving Emma Tonegato if Jada Taylor's injury is severe. Questions about a return to fullback will be raging high.

PARRAMATTA	16	-	18	CRONULLA
Kennedy CHERRINGTON		T		Annessa BIDDLE
Monique DONOVAN				Ellie JOHNSTON
Rory OWEN				Jada TAYLOR
Rachael PEARSON	2/3	G	3/3	Tayla PRESTON
TEAMSHEETS				
Abbi CHURCH	1	FB	1	Jada TAYLOR
Zali FAY	2	W	2	Cassie STAPLES
Rory OWEN	3	C	3	Tiana PENITANI (c)
Rosie KELLY	4	C	4	Annessa BIDDLE
Monique DONOVAN	5	W	5	Georgia RAVICS
Cassey TOHI-HIKU	6	FE	14	Georgia HANNAWAY
Rachael PEARSON	7	HB	7	Tayla PRESTON
Elsie ALBERT	8	FR	8	Ellie JOHNSTON
Taneka TODHUNTER	9	HK	9	Quincy DODD
Madeline JONES	10	FR	10	Holli WHEELER
Chloe JACKSON	11	2R	11	Talei HOLMES
Mahalia MURPHY (c)	12	2R	12	Rhiannon BYERS
Kennedy CHERRINGTON	13	L	13	Brooke ANDERSON
Rosemarie BECKETT	14	B	15	Chloe SAUNDERS
Tyla AMIATU	15	B	16	Vanessa FOLIAKI
Jade FONUA	16	B	17	Tegan DYMOCK
Ruby-Jean KENNARD	17	B	18	Manilita TAKAPAUTOLO
Steve GEORGALLIS		HC		Tony HERMAN

Date: Sun, 4th August. Kickoff: 12:00 PM. Halftime: Parramatta (W) 10-6.
Penalties: Parramatta (W) 7-4. Referee: Luke Saldern. Crowd: 1,166.

ROOSTERS CROW AS BRONCOS STUMBLE BETH NICHOLLS

The Roosters seal their first win of the season, whilst the Broncos start their 2024 campaign 0-2.

Both teams were looking to find their first win of the season after both suffering Round 1 losses, and the Roosters ended up on top. The first 30 minutes saw only two tries, one to both the Roosters and Broncos through Fressard and Teitzel respectfully, with both sides going back-and-forth with many attempts to get the ball over the line but just coming short. Former Bronco, Tarryn Aiken, then went over for the Roosters second in the final five minutes of the first half, twisting and turning with the defender to get the ball over the line, but this wasn't all the trouble the Roosters were going to cause. With 30 seconds to go and a whole set on the Broncos line, the Roosters capitalised on their opportunity which saw Jess Sergis go over to make it a 16-6 score line at halftime. What was once a close game which could have been anyone's to grasp in the second half was now looking like a steep hill from the Broncos to bounce back from after conceding 12 points within the final three minutes of the first half.

The second half saw a slow start, and the Broncos were looking to be in a good position to make up for the ten-point deficit, but then an intercept pass thrown right into the hands of Sergis undid all their work. Sergis went on the run the length of the field and score her second try of the match, which marks her fourth career double. Another Broncos mistake saw the Roosters capitalise and score more points, after the ball was lost by Brisbane on the halfway line and easily retrieved by Aiken, for her to score a double and just continue to terrorise her former club. After a line break from Julia Robinson the Broncos slowly made their way down the length of the field and managed to get their second try of the game through Jada Ferguson, but it was too little too late. Yet again the Broncos error making tendencies and ill-discipline let them down, whilst the Roosters capitalised on their chances and had a plethora of good plays and efforts from across the field. After losing to the 2023 premiers last week, the Roosters now slide into fourth position and look towards playing bottom of the table West Tigers next week. For the away side, they have much work to do, now sitting in 9th position with back-to-back losses and so much work to do, and next week will be a hard mountain to climb, playing the top of the table Titans.

COWBOYS KEEP THEIR NOSES IN FRONT BETH NICHOLLS

The Cowboys claim redemption whilst the Dragons go 0-2.

A high-scoring match saw a total of 72 points scored between the two teams, which comes after the Cowboys were held scoreless by the Sharks in Round 1. The Cowboys opened the scoring in the 7th minute with Lily Peacock crashing over the line for their first try of the season. The home side were then close to going back-to-back tries in the space of minutes, but five-eighth Tahlulah Tillett lost the ball over the line. Former Tiger, Jakiya Whitfeld, then successfully gets the Cowboys their second try after the Dragons let a Kirra Dibb bomb kick bounce. Trailing 12-0, the Dragons fought back to score two consecutive tries through Kasey Reh (scoring her first try) and Margot Vella, to even up the score and make it 12 all. Although this comeback didn't mean much, with the Cowboys scoring another two consecutive tries within a 3-minute period to put them back in the lead by 10 points.

The Red-V scored the first try in the second half, after the Cowboys let a short-range kick bounce, and the visitors capitalised, with Margot Vella scoring a double for the night. Neither of these teams were giving up, with them both then going back-and-forth for tries. With Jasmine Peters crossing over for her first try of the season, before the Dragons then reverse served again to see Teagan Berry add another try to her tally, as well as Kimberley Hunt crossing over for a four pointer to tie up the game at 28 all. Tiana Raftstrand-Smith goes over for a double in the 58th minute to give the Cowboys back the lead, before Jakiya Whitfeld scores her second in the navy and yellow in the 62nd minute to seal the win. Though, Dragons had the last say, with a chip over the top kick and put down by Alexis Tauaneai saw them score a try in the dying 25 seconds of the match.

This tight but high scoring match sees the Cowboys get their first win since Round 4 of the 2023 season, whilst the Dragons have now lost both matches to start their season. Although with the poor differential of the Cowboys, they sit only one place above the Dragons who are currently camped in eighth position. Looking ahead the Cowboys now face the Eels who suffered a close loss against the Sharks this week, whilst the Dragons face the 2023 premiers, Newcastle Knights, in enemy territory.

NORTH QLD				38	-	34	ST GEO ILLA			
Tiana RAFTSTRAND-SMITH	2	T	2	Margot VELLA						
Jakiya WHITFELD	2			Teagan BERRY						
Fran GOLDTHORP				Kimberley HUNT						
Lily PEACOCK				Kasey REH						
Jasmine PETERS				Alexis TAUANEAI						
Kirra DIBB	5/7	G	5/6	Raecene MCGREGOR						
TEAMSHEETS										
Fran GOLDTHORP	1	FB	1	Teagan BERRY						
Krystal BLACKWELL	2	W	2	Kimberley HUNT						
Jakiya WHITFELD	3	C	3	Keele BROWNE						
Jasmine PETERS	4	C	4	Bobbi LAW						
Ebony RAFTSTRAND-SMITH	5	W	5	Margot VELLA						
Tahlulah TILLET	6	FE	6	Zali HOPKINS						
Kirra DIBB (c)	7	HB	7	Raecene MCGREGOR (c)						
Lily PEACOCK	15	FR	8	Angelina TEAKARAANGA-KATOA						
Emma MANZELMANN	9	HK	9	Sophie CLANCY						
Essay BANU	10	FR	10	Jamilee BRIGHT						
China POLATA	11	2R	11	Shenai LENDILL						
Tiana RAFTSTRAND-SMITH	12	2R	12	Charlotte BASHAM						
Bree CHESTER	13	L	13	Alexis TAUANEAI						
Tallisha HARDEN	8	B	14	Kasey REH						
Alisha FOORD	14	B	15	Sara SAUTIA						
Sareka MOOKA	16	B	16	Bronte WILSON						
Shaniah POWER	17	B	17	Stephanie HANCOCK						
Ricky HENRY		HC		Jamie SOWARD						

Date: Sun, 4th August. Kickoff: 6:10 PM. Halftime: North QLD (W) 22-12.
Penalties: St Geo Illa (W) 8-2. Referee: Karra-Lee Nolan. Crowd: 2,427.

NRLW 2024 LADDER & STATS LEADERS

LADDER - R2

POS	TEAM	HOME							AWAY							TOTAL									
		P	W	L	D	F	A	PD	P	W	L	D	F	A	PD	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	PD	FPG	APG
1.	GOLD COAST	1	1	-	-	28	12	16	1	1	-	-	18	10	8	2	2	-	-	46	22	4	+24	23.00	11.00
2.	CRONULLA	1	1	-	-	14	-	14	1	1	-	-	18	16	2	2	2	-	-	32	16	4	+16	16.00	8.00
3.	NEWCASTLE	1	1	-	-	12	10	2	1	1	-	-	26	20	6	2	2	-	-	38	30	4	+8	19.00	15.00
4.	CANBERRA	1	-	1	-	20	26	-6	1	1	-	-	32	12	20	2	1	1	-	52	38	2	+14	26.00	19.00
	SYDNEY	1	1	-	-	28	12	16	1	-	1	-	10	12	-2	2	1	1	-	38	24	2	+14	19.00	12.00
6.	PARRAMATTA	1	-	1	-	16	18	-2	1	1	-	-	22	10	12	2	1	1	-	38	28	2	+10	19.00	14.00
7.	NORTH QLD	1	1	-	-	38	34	4	1	-	1	-	14	-14	2	1	1	-	38	48	2	-10	19.00	24.00	
8.	ST GEO ILLA	1	-	1	-	10	18	-8	1	-	1	-	34	38	-4	2	-	2	-	44	56	0	-12	22.00	28.00
9.	BRISBANE	1	-	1	-	10	22	-12	1	-	1	-	12	28	-16	2	-	2	-	22	50	0	-28	11.00	25.00
10.	WESTS TIGERS	1	-	1	-	12	32	-20	1	-	1	-	12	28	-16	2	-	2	-	24	60	0	-36	12.00	30.00

TOP TRYSCORERS

Rank	Player	Team	P	T
=1	Jessica Sergis	Sydney	2	3
=1	Jaime Chapman	Gold Coast	2	3
=1	Emily Bass	Gold Coast	2	3

TOP POINTSCORERS

Rank	Player	Team	P	T	G	FG	Pts
1	Zahara Temara	Canberra	2	2	8	-	24
2	Jocelyn Kelleher	Sydney	2	1	5	-	14

TOP GOALKICKERS

Rank	Player	Team	P	G/A	%
1	Zahara Temara	Canberra	2	8 / 11	73%
2	Raecene McGregor	St Geo Illa	2	6 / 8	75%

NRL MATCH REVIEW & JUDICIARY ROUND 2

Player	Club	Grade	Charge	On Who	Base	Offence #	Guilty	Early plea	Plea	RESULT
Jesse SOUTHWELL	Newcastle	1	Dangerous Contact	Simaima Taufa	1 match	1st	1 match	Warning	Guilty - early plea	WARNING
Aliyah NASIO	Sydney	1	Dangerous Contact	Brianna Clark	1 match	1st	1 match	Warning	Guilty - early plea	WARNING
Brianna CLARK	Brisbane	1	Shoulder Charge	Jess Sergis	2 matches	2nd	3 matches	2 matches	Guilty - early plea	2 MATCHES
Shaniah POWER	North Qld	1	Contrary Conduct	Teagan Berry	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 \$400 fine instead of suspension with early plea under Rule 39A



**SYDNEY
ROOSTERS**

**WESTS
TIGERS**



VENUE	Industree Group Stadium (Central Coast Stadium)	KARRA-LEE NOLAN	REFEREE		WATCH	Nine / 9Now / Fox / Kayo
LOCATION	Darkinjung Gosford, NSW	Brad KIEHNE, Ethan KLEIN	TOUCH JUDGES		LISTEN	ABC Sport
DAY & TIME	Sat 10 Aug 2024 11:05am AEST	Adam GEE	NRL BUNKER		ONLINE	twitter.com/LeagueUnlimited

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts						Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
32	1	-	-	-	-	Sam BREMNER	1	FULLBACK	1	Botille VETTE-WELSH	27	2	1	-	-	4
27	2	1	-	-	4	Jayne FRESSARD	2	WING	2	Harmony CRICHTON	19	2	-	-	-	-
26	2	3	-	-	12	Jessica SERGIS	3	CENTRE	3	Leianne TUFUGA	22	2	-	-	-	-
21	2	-	-	-	-	Jasmin STRANGE	4	CENTRE	4	Rikeya HORNE	24	2	1	-	-	4
25	2	-	-	-	-	Mia WOOD	5	WING	5	Tess STAINES	22	2	-	-	-	-
27	2	-	-	-	-	Isabelle KELLY	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Pauline PILIAE-RASABALE	31	2	-	4	-	8
25	2	2	-	-	8	Tarryn AIKEN	7	HALFBACK	7	Losana LUTU	20	2	1	-	-	4
26	2	-	-	-	-	Millie ELLIOTT	8	FRONT ROW	8	Sarah TOGATUKI	26	2	-	-	-	-
24	2	-	-	-	-	Keeley DAVIS	9	HOOKER	9	Salma NOUR	21	2	1	-	-	4
20	2	-	-	-	-	Kalosipani HOPOATE	10	FRONT ROW	10	Christian PIO	24	2	-	-	-	-
21	2	-	-	-	-	Otesa PULE	11	SECOND ROW	11	Kezie APPS	33	2	-	-	-	-
23	2	-	-	-	-	Olivia KERNICK	12	SECOND ROW	12	Shaianne McGLONE	29	2	-	-	-	-
24	2	1	5	-	14	Jocelyn KELLEHER	13	LOCK	13	Najvada GEORGE	25	2	-	-	-	-
18	2	-	-	-	-	Aliyah NASIO	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Sophie CURTAIN	23	2	-	-	-	-
30	2	-	-	-	-	Samantha ECONOMOS	16		15	Tara REINKE	25	2	-	-	-	-
22	2	-	-	-	-	Mya HILL-MOANA	17		16	Natasha PENITANI	-	2	-	-	-	-
29	1	-	-	-	-	Amber HALL	21		17	Brooke TALATAINA	20	2	-	-	-	-
23	-	-	-	-	-	Tiana DAVISON	18	RESERVES	18	Jessica KENNEDY	21	-	-	-	-	-
23	1	-	-	-	-	Taina NAIVIDI	19		19	Rebecca POLLARD	25	-	-	-	-	-
27	-	-	-	-	-	Shannon ROSE	20		20	Tiana LEE-THORNE	19	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	Imogen HEI	22		21	Claudia NIELSEN	27	-	-	-	-	-
19	1	-	-	-	-	Eliza LOPAMAUA	23		22	Imogen GOBRAN	20	-	-	-	-	-
49	25	-	-	-	-	John STRANGE		COACHES		Brett KIMMORLEY	47	11	-	-	-	-

HEAD TO HEAD since 2023

	TOTAL	SYDNEY	WESTS TIGERS	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	1	1	0	0
INDUSTREE	0	0	0	0
KARRA-LEE NOLAN	0	0	0	0

STATE OF PLAY: 2024 SEASON

TEAM	POSITION	PLAYED	BYES	W-L-D	FOR	AGAINST
SYDNEY	5TH	2	0	1-1-0	38	24
WESTS TIGERS	10TH	2	0	0-2-0	24	60

MATCH HISTORY

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2023	Round 6	SYDNEY 48-10	Allianz	8161

NEXT FOUR MATCHES

TEAM	ROUND 4	ROUND 5	ROUND 6	ROUND 7
SYDNEY	ST GEO ILLA (A)	GOLD COAST (A)	CANBERRA (H)	CRONULLA (A)
WESTS TIGERS	PARRAMATTA (H)	BRISBANE (H)	NEWCASTLE (A)	NORTH QLD (A)

Match stats courtesy of





CANBERRA RAIDERS

CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND SHARKS



VENUE	GIO Stadium Canberra (Canberra Stadium)	Kasey BADGER	REFEREE		WATCH	Nine / 9Now / Fox / Kayo
LOCATION	Ngunnawal Bruce, ACT	Dillian WELLS, Billy GREATBATCH	TOUCH JUDGES		LISTEN	ABC Sport
DAY & TIME	Sat 10 Aug 2024 12:45pm AEST	Peter GOUGH	NRL BUNKER		ONLINE	twitter.com/LeagueUnlimited

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts						Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
31	2	-	-	-	-	Apii NICHOLLS-PUALAU	1	FULLBACK	1	Tiana PENITANI	28	2	1	-	-	4
29	2	2	-	-	8	Madison BARTLETT	2	WING	2	Cassie STAPLES	31	2	2	-	-	8
27	2	-	-	-	-	Cheyelle ROBINS-RETI	3	CENTRE	3	Rhiannon BYERS	-	2	-	-	-	-
22	2	2	-	-	8	Mackenzie WIKI	4	CENTRE	4	Annessa BIDDLE	-	2	1	-	-	4
27	1	1	-	-	4	Shakiah TUNGAI	5	WING	5	Georgia RAVICS	-	2	-	-	-	-
27	2	2	8	-	24	Zahara TEMARA	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Georgia HANNAWAY	-	2	-	-	-	-
29	2	-	-	-	-	Ashleigh QUINLAN	7	HALFBACK	7	Tayla PRESTON	24	2	-	4	-	8
29	2	-	-	-	-	Tommaya KELLY-SINES	8	FRONT ROW	8	Ellie JOHNSTON	23	2	1	-	-	4
23	2	-	-	-	-	Chante TEMARA	9	HOOKER	9	Quincy DODD	24	2	-	-	-	-
26	2	-	-	-	-	Sophie HOLYMAN	10	FRONT ROW	10	Holli WHEELER	34	2	-	-	-	-
20	2	-	-	-	-	Monalisa SOLIOLA	11	SECOND ROW	11	Talei HOLMES	24	2	-	-	-	-
21	2	-	-	-	-	Hollie-Mae DODD	12	SECOND ROW	12	Vanessa FOLIAKI	30	2	-	-	-	-
30	2	1	-	-	4	Simaima TAUFA	13	LOCK	13	Brooke ANDERSON	28	2	-	-	-	-
20	2	-	-	-	-	Emma BARNES	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Nakia DAVIS-WELSH	-	-	-	-	-	-
23	2	-	-	-	-	Grace KEMP	15		15	Chloe SAUNDERS	-	2	-	-	-	-
24	2	-	-	-	-	Kerehitina MATUA	16		16	Manilita TAKAPAUOLO	-	1	-	-	-	-
23	2	-	-	-	-	Sereana NAITOKATOKA	17		17	Tegan DYMOCK	22	2	-	-	-	-
18	-	-	-	-	-	Relna WURUKI-HOSEA	18	RESERVES	18	Leki LEILUA	-	-	-	-	-	-
20	1	1	-	-	4	Alanna DUMMETT	19		19	Pia TAPSELL	-	-	-	-	-	-
26	-	-	-	-	-	Felice QUINLAN	20		20	Emma TONEGATO	29	1	-	-	-	-
19	-	-	-	-	-	Georgia WILLEY	21									
18	-	-	-	-	-	Jaida FALEONO	22									
-	11	-	-	-	-	Darrin BORTHWICK		COACHES		Tony HERMAN	56	11	-	-	-	-

HEAD TO HEAD since 2023

	TOTAL	CANBERRA	CRONULLA	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	1	0	1	0
GIO	0	0	0	0
KASEY BADGER	1	0	1	0

MATCH HISTORY

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2023	Round 1	CRONULLA 28-14	Pointsbet	10634

STATE OF PLAY: 2024 SEASON

TEAM	POSITION	PLAYED	BYES	W-L-D	FOR	AGAINST
CANBERRA	4TH	2	0	1-1-0	52	38
CRONULLA	2ND	2	0	2-0-0	32	16

NEXT FOUR MATCHES

TEAM	ROUND 4	ROUND 5	ROUND 6	ROUND 7
CANBERRA	BRISBANE (A)	NORTH QLD (H)	SYDNEY (A)	ST GEO ILLA (A)
CRONULLA	NEWCASTLE (H)	ST GEO ILLA (A)	GOLD COAST (A)	SYDNEY (H)

Match stats courtesy of





NORTH QUEENSLAND COWBOYS

PARRAMATTA EELS



VENUE	Totally Workwear Stadium (Langlands Park)	Daniel LUTTRINGER	REFEREE		WATCH	Nine / 9Now / Fox / Kayo
LOCATION	Turrbal Coorparoo, QLD	Rochelle TAMARUA, Jack KLEIN	TOUCH JUDGES		LISTEN	ABC Sport
DAY & TIME	Sun 11 Aug 2024 12:00pm AEST	Chris BUTLER	NRL BUNKER		ONLINE	twitter.com/LeagueUnlimited

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts					Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts	
21	2	-	-	-	-	Krystal BLACKWELL	1	FULLBACK	1	Abbi CHURCH	26	2	-	-	-	-
21	2	1	-	-	4	Fran GOLDTHORP	2	WING	2	Zali FAY	23	2	1	-	-	4
23	2	2	-	-	8	Jakiya WHITFIELD	3	CENTRE	3	Rory OWEN	-	2	2	-	-	8
22	2	1	-	-	4	Jasmine PETERS	4	CENTRE	4	Rosie KELLY	24	2	-	-	-	-
18	1	-	-	-	-	Ebony RAFTSTRAND-SMITH	5	WING	5	Monique DONOVAN	-	2	2	-	-	8
25	2	-	-	-	-	Tahlulah TILLET	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Cassey TOHI-HIKU	20	2	-	-	-	-
27	2	-	5	-	10	Kirra DIBB	7	HALFBACK	7	Rachael PEARSON	30	2	-	5	-	10
32	2	-	-	-	-	Talisha HARDEN	8	FRONT ROW	8	Elsie ALBERT	28	2	-	-	-	-
22	2	-	-	-	-	Emma MANZELMANN	9	HOOKER	9	Taneka TODHUNTER	-	2	-	-	-	-
22	2	-	-	-	-	Essay BANU	10	FRONT ROW	10	Madeline JONES	-	2	-	-	-	-
22	2	-	-	-	-	China POLATA	11	SECOND ROW	11	Chloe JACKSON	20	1	-	-	-	-
21	2	2	-	-	8	Tiana RAFTSTRAND-SMITH	12	SECOND ROW	12	Mahalia MURPHY	30	2	-	-	-	-
22	2	-	-	-	-	Bree CHESTER	13	LOCK	13	Kennedy CHERRINGTON	25	2	2	-	-	8
27	2	-	-	-	-	Alisha FOORD	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Rosemarie BECKETT	-	1	-	-	-	-
19	2	1	-	-	4	Lily PEACOCK	15		15	Tyla AMIATU	-	2	-	-	-	-
24	1	-	-	-	-	Sareka MOOKA	16		16	Jade FONUA	-	2	-	-	-	-
20	-	-	-	-	-	Lillian YARROW	17		17	Ruby-Jean KENNARD	20	2	-	-	-	-
27	1	-	-	-	-	Shaniah POWER	18	RESERVES	18	Tafao ASUAU	-	-	-	-	-	-
21	-	-	-	-	-	Jetaya FAIFUA	19		19	Breanna EALES	-	-	-	-	-	-
31	2	-	-	-	-	Harata BUTLER	20		20	Chelsea MAKIRA	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	Libby SURHA	21		21	Kate FALLON	-	-	-	-	-	-
23	-	-	-	-	-	Shellie LONG	22		22	Pihuka BERRYMAN-DUFF	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	2	-	-	-	-	Ricky HENRY		COACHES		Steve GEORGALLIS	56	2	-	-	-	-

HEAD TO HEAD since 2023

	TOTAL	NORTH QLD	PARRAMATTA	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	1	0	1	0
T. WORKWEAR	0	0	0	0
DANIEL LUTTRINGER	0	0	0	0

MATCH HISTORY

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2023	Round 6	PARRAMATTA 16-12	Netstrata	520

STATE OF PLAY: 2024 SEASON

TEAM	POSITION	PLAYED	BYES	W-L-D	FOR	AGAINST
NORTH QLD	7TH	2	0	1-1-0	38	48
PARRAMATTA	6TH	2	0	1-1-0	38	28

NEXT FOUR MATCHES

TEAM	ROUND 4	ROUND 5	ROUND 6	ROUND 7
NORTH QLD	GOLD COAST (H)	CANBERRA (A)	BRISBANE (A)	WESTS TIGERS (H)
PARRAMATTA	WESTS TIGERS (A)	NEWCASTLE (H)	ST GEO ILLA (H)	GOLD COAST (H)

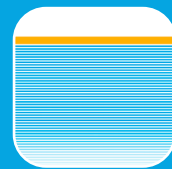
Match stats courtesy of





**BRISBANE
BRONCOS**

**GOLD COAST
TITANS**



VENUE	Totally Workwear Stadium (Langlands Park)	Nick PELGRAVE	REFEREE		WATCH	Nine / 9Now / Fox / Kayo
LOCATION	Turrbal Coorparoo, QLD	Tori WILKIE, Josh EATON	TOUCH JUDGES		LISTEN	ABC Sport
DAY & TIME	Sun 11 Aug 2024 1:45pm AEST	Kasey BADGER	NRL BUNKER		ONLINE	twitter.com/LeagueUnlimited

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts						Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
32	2	-	-	-	-	Hayley MADDICK	1	FULLBACK	1	Evania PELITE	29	2	2	-	-	8
26	2	1	-	-	4	Julia ROBINSON	2	WING	2	Georgia GREY	-	1	-	-	-	-
29	2	-	-	-	-	Mele HUFANGA	3	CENTRE	3	Jaime CHAPMAN	22	2	3	-	-	12
-	-	-	-	-	-	Stacey WAAKA	4	CENTRE	4	Niall WILLIAMS-GUTHRIE	36	2	-	-	-	-
27	2	-	-	-	-	Lauren DAM	5	WING	5	Emily BASS	25	2	3	-	-	12
28	-	-	-	-	-	Gayle BROUGHTON	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Taliah FUIMAONO	25	2	-	-	-	-
34	2	-	-	-	-	Ali BRIGGINSHAW	7	HALFBACK	7	Lauren BROWN	29	2	-	5	-	10
22	2	-	-	-	-	Keilee JOSEPH	8	FRONT ROW	8	Shannon MATO	25	2	-	-	-	-
22	2	1	-	-	4	Jada FERGUSON	9	HOKER	9	Brittany BREAYLEY-NATI	33	2	-	-	-	-
28	2	1	-	-	4	Chelsea LENARDUZZI	10	FRONT ROW	10	Jessika ELLISTON	26	2	-	-	-	-
29	2	-	-	-	-	Tazmin GRAY	11	SECOND ROW	11	Rilee JORGENSEN	-	2	-	-	-	-
25	2	1	-	-	4	Romy TEITZEL	12	SECOND ROW	12	Shaylee BENT	23	2	-	-	-	-
27	2	-	-	-	-	Jasmine FOGAVINI	13	LOCK	13	Georgia HALE	29	2	-	-	-	-
21	1	-	-	-	-	Destiny BRILL	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Lily KOLC	-	2	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	Tafito LAFAELE	15		15	Hailee-Jay MAUNSELL	20	1	1	-	-	4
27	2	-	1	-	2	Mariah DENMAN	16		16	Laikha CLARKE	22	2	-	-	-	-
18	2	-	-	-	-	Skyla ADAMS	17		17	Dannii PERESE	20	2	-	-	-	-
25	2	-	-	-	-	Bree SPREADBOROUGH	18	RESERVES	18	Ngatokotoru ARAKUA	-	-	-	-	-	-
41	1	-	-	-	-	Lavinia GOULD	19		19	Matekino GRAY	20	-	-	-	-	-
21	-	-	-	-	-	Hannah LARSSON	20		20	Georgia SIM	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	Ashleigh WERNER	21		21	Lailani MONTGOMERY	-	-	-	-	-	-
27	-	-	-	-	-	Shenae CIESTOLKA	22		22	Malaela SUA	-	-	-	-	-	-
44	12	-	-	-	-	Scott PRINCE		COACHES		Karyn MURPHY	54	18	-	-	-	-

HEAD TO HEAD since 2022

	TOTAL	BRISBANE	GOLD COAST	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	3	1	2	0
T. WORKWEAR	0	0	0	0
NICK PELGRAVE	0	0	0	0

MATCH HISTORY

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2022	Round 4	GOLD COAST 28-26	Cbus Super	-
2022	Round 3	BRISBANE 22-4	Moreton Daily	-
2023	Round 2	GOLD COAST 17-16	The Gabba	7279

STATE OF PLAY: 2024 SEASON

TEAM	POSITION	PLAYED	BYES	W-L-D	FOR	AGAINST
BRISBANE	9TH	2	0	0-2-0	22	50
GOLD COAST	1ST	2	0	2-0-0	46	22

NEXT FOUR MATCHES

TEAM	ROUND 4	ROUND 5	ROUND 6	ROUND 7
BRISBANE	CANBERRA (H)	WESTS TIGERS (A)	NORTH QLD (H)	NEWCASTLE (A)
GOLD COAST	NORTH QLD (A)	SYDNEY (H)	CRONULLA (H)	PARRAMATTA (A)

Match stats courtesy of





**NEWCASTLE
KNIGHTS**

**ST GEORGE ILLAWARRA
DRAGONS**



VENUE	McDonald Jones Stadium (Hunter Stadium)	LUKE SALDERN	REFEREE	WATCH	Nine / 9Now / Fox / Kayo
LOCATION	Awabakal New Lambton, NSW	Brad KIEHNE, Ethan KLEIN	TOUCH JUDGES	LISTEN	ABC Sport
DAY & TIME	Sun 12 Aug 2024 6:10pm AEST	Dave MUNRO	NRL BUNKER	ONLINE	twitter.com/LeagueUnlimited

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts						Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
27	2	1	-	-	4	Tamika UPTON	1	FULLBACK	1	Teagan BERRY	22	2	2	-	-	8
22	2	1	-	-	4	Sheridan GALLAGHER	2	WING	2	Maatuleio FOTU-MOALA	25	1	-	-	-	-
26	2	-	-	-	-	Shanice PARKER	3	CENTRE	3	Keele BROWNE	21	2	-	-	-	-
23	2	1	-	-	4	Abigail ROACHE	4	CENTRE	4	Bobbi LAW	27	2	1	-	-	4
-	1	1	-	-	4	Lilly-Ann WHITE	5	WING	5	Kimberley HUNT	31	1	1	-	-	4
23	2	-	-	-	-	Georgia ROCHE	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Zali HOPKINS	22	2	-	-	-	-
19	2	-	5	-	10	Jesse SOUTHWELL	7	HALFBACK	7	Raecene McGREGOR	26	2	-	6	-	12
23	2	-	-	-	-	Tayla PREDEBON	8	FRONT ROW	8	Angelina TEAKARAANGA-KATOA	22	2	-	-	-	-
31	2	1	-	-	4	Olivia HIGGINS	9	HOOKER	9	Kasey REH	18	2	1	-	-	4
23	2	1	-	-	4	Caitlan JOHNSTON	10	FRONT ROW	10	Jamilee BRIGHT	26	2	-	-	-	-
26	2	-	-	-	-	Laishon ALBERT-JONES	11	SECOND ROW	11	Shenai LENDILL	24	2	-	-	-	-
30	2	-	-	-	-	Yasmin CLYDSDALE	12	SECOND ROW	12	Charlotte BASHAM	18	2	-	-	-	-
25	2	1	-	-	4	Hannah SOUTHWELL	13	LOCK	13	Alexis TAUANEAI	19	2	1	-	-	4
32	2	-	-	-	-	Nita MAYNARD	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Sophie CLANCY	21	2	-	-	-	-
22	2	-	-	-	-	Kayla ROMANIUK	15		15	Madison MULHALL	20	-	-	-	-	-
26	2	-	-	-	-	Rima BUTLER	16		16	Bronte WILSON	18	2	-	-	-	-
24	2	-	-	-	-	Isabella WATERMAN	17		17	Stephanie HANCOCK	42	2	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	Jacinta CARTER	18	RESERVES	18	Ella KOSTER	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	Viena TINAO	19		19	Alice GREGORY	26	-	-	-	-	-
27	1	-	-	-	-	Grace KUKUTAI	20		20	Tayla CURTIS	21	1	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	Jules KIRKPATRICK	21		21	Tyla NATHAN-WONG	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	Tenika WILLISON	22		22	Kaarla COWAN	26	-	-	-	-	-
43	11	-	-	-	-	Ben JEFFRIES		COACHES		Jamie SOWARD	39	24	-	-	-	-

HEAD TO HEAD since 2022

	TOTAL	NEWCASTLE	ST GEO ILLA	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	4	3	1	0
MCD. JONES	2	1	1	0
LUKE SALDERN	0	0	0	0

MATCH HISTORY

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2022	Round 4	ST GEO ILLA 40-4	McD. Jones	
2022	Round 5	NEWCASTLE 30-8	Central Coast	6214
2022	Semi Final	NEWCASTLE 30-6	Suncorp	
2023	Round 1	NEWCASTLE 32-16	McD. Jones	8109

STATE OF PLAY: 2024 SEASON

TEAM	POSITION	PLAYED	BYES	W-L-D	FOR	AGAINST
NEWCASTLE	3RD	2	0	2-0-0	38	30
ST GEO ILLA	8TH	2	0	0-2-0	44	56

NEXT FOUR MATCHES

TEAM	ROUND 4	ROUND 5	ROUND 6	ROUND 7
NEWCASTLE	CRONULLA (A)	PARRAMATTA (A)	WESTS TIGERS (H)	BRISBANE (H)
ST GEO ILLA	SYDNEY (H)	CRONULLA (H)	PARRAMATTA (A)	CANBERRA (H)

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PREVIEWS: ROUND 3

ROOSTERS v TIGERS: AJ LUCANTONIO

The Sydney Roosters will be chasing back to back wins when they face the winless Wests Tigers at Industree Group Stadium.

The Roosters rebounded quite nicely after a disappointing opening game with a 28-12 win over the Brisbane Broncos. The tri-colours punished the Broncos for many mistakes with the football and ran riot. The addition of Sam Bremner has been welcomed, given how disappointing their attack was against Newcastle. Bremner's addition gave the Roosters some much needed structure and allowed Isabelle Kelly and Tarryn Aitken to build their combination. Their forwards were outstanding with Millie Elliott tearing her old side apart in the middle. Olivia Kernick was another that caused problems while Aliyah Nasio continued a strong rookie season. Amber Hall also returned from injury in a good performance. To beat the Tigers, there will be an emphasis on completion rate and dominating the Tigers in defence. Shutting down Sarah Togatuki and not allowing the halves (who are very nimble and quick) to run circles around them will be paramount for victory. Jocelyn Kelleher will come into the starting side as lock. Aliyah Nasio will move to the bench.

Brett Kimmorley's ladies have had a slow start to season 2024. After a disappointing first half against the Raiders, since then they have been consistent and a touch unlucky to lose to the Titans. The Tigers started well and led 12-6, but some poor lapses in concentration allowed the Titans to run away with victory and leave the Tigers win-less in 2024. Losana Lutu has been a great find in the halves and has worked hard in their opening matches. Christian Pio was another to shine in the middle. For the Tigers to beat the Roosters. They need to frustrate the tri-colours by forcing them to make mistakes. Attacking execution for the Roosters still remains a small problem so if they can limit the attacking chances the Roosters have, then they are on track for their maiden win of the season. Defensively they missed a staggering 26 tackles per game, against a team with the attacking skills of the Roosters, making effective first contact will be significant. Brett Kimmorley has named an unchanged line-up.

WHO TO WATCH: My focus is on Amber Hall. After being an important signing last year, Hall only made it through half of her Roosters debut before being injured. After having to comeback through the Harvey Norman Women's Premiership, Hall made a big impact in her season debut last weekend. Against a mobile Tigers pack, look for Hall to make her mark at the Roosters.

For the Tigers, I am focusing on Kezie Apps. Apps has been huge for the Tigers last season and has started brilliantly this season. Apps will be utilised significantly on Saturday, the Roosters are still tinkering with their edge combinations so it wouldn't surprise me if Apps running some effective lines will cause problems.

MY TIP: Too many stars for the Roosters not to win in this one. Just the only thing that could hold the Roosters back is complacency, and that's where the Tigers could get them in this one. Especially if the Roosters don't start well. **Roosters by 14.**

RAIDERS v SHARKS: Josh ROBERTSON

Saturday NRLW action returns to the ACT as the Canberra Raiders look to make amends for last week's heartbreaking loss to the Knights as they host the Cronulla Sharks who are looking to keep their undefeated start going.

The Raiders once again started fast as they raced out to a 10-0 lead after just six minutes but they couldn't sustain their start as the Knights were able to hit back although the Raiders lead at the break. The second half was a good performance and it showed that the Green Machine can match it with the top teams and it was only at the end when the Knights got past Canberra in the dying minutes with a penalty try sealing the 26-20 defeat. A second consecutive fast start will make Raiders coach Darrin Borthwick happy though it's concerning for Canberra that seven of their nine tries have come within the first 20 minutes of their first two games combined which will be worrying they can't keep the consistency. The lack of a full 70-minute performance is what could test them going forward. The Raiders have named an unchanged line-up from last week that includes Shakiah Tungai who came into the side after Alanna Dummett missed last week with through the concussion protocols. Dummett is named in the extended squad.

Starting the season undefeated, it was far from smooth last week for the Cronulla Sharks as they were able to scrape home with a late converted try to snatch the victory from the Parramatta Eels 18-16. The second straight win for the Sharks was a contrast to their dominant win over the Cowboys where they didn't concede a point, this one was a tough effort that was only sealed in the final five minutes when Tayla Preston was able to convert an Annessa Biddle try to seal the win. The win though didn't come without it's own issues for the Sharks with Jada Taylor suffering a season ending ACL injury. With the injury to Jada Taylor, the Sharks have been forced into some positional changes with Tiana Penitani moved to the fullback role with Rhannon Byers moving into the centres with Vanessa Foliaki coming onto the bench. Nakia Davis-Welsh has been named on the bench whilst Emma Tونغato could make her return named in the reserves.

WHO TO WATCH: There would be no other player more disappointed about last week's penalty try defeat for the Raiders than Apii Nicholls who gave away the penalty try when she grabbed Tamika Upton to give away what would decide the match. The NZ international will want to make sure that she can repay the home fans and her teams.

Moving to fullback, the Sharks will have experience at the back with Tiana Penitani though it becomes a different attacking threat for the Sharks without the speed of Jada Taylor at the back. The Sharks will need the experience of Penitani at the back to control what the Raiders do early in front of their home fans.

MY TIP: It's hard to go past the Raiders at home, their starts have been strong in the past two weeks though they haven't kept it going for the whole 70 minutes but last week showed they can still match the sides. The Sharks performance wasn't as fluid as they would have liked against the Eels and that's a concern especially losing Jada Taylor. The Raiders should have enough at home. **Raiders by 10.**

COWBOYS v EELS: Luke JOBSON

The first of two games at Totally Workwear Stadium on Saturday sees the North Queensland Cowboys come up against a vastly improved Parramatta Eels. Both teams had nail-biting games in round two, with the Cowboys on the right end of a 38-34 win against the St George Illawarra Dragons while Parramatta went down after a last gasp try to Cronulla sealed an 18-16 loss.

It was a complete attacking turnaround for the Cowboys last week, having not scored a point in week one against the Cronulla Sharks. Doubles to Tiana Raftstrand-Smith and Jakiya Whitfield secured the Cowboys their first win of the season, scoring seven tries in a brilliant attacking display. Aided by 181 running metres from Bree Chester and 125 metres off the bench from Lily Peacock to go with seven tackle breaks, the Cowboys looked a side that could trouble most teams from all over the park. The one concerning point for the Cowboys is their ill-discipline, conceding 11 penalties last week to go with seven from round one. It will be something that coach Ricky Henry will look to focus on this week, as they come up against a Parramatta side who have come on in leaps and bounds so far in 2024 across all parts of the game. The Cowboys have made one change to personnel, with Lillian Yarrow making her debut from the bench and Shaniah Power moving to 18th player. The Cowboys have also made a change in the backline, with Krystal Blackwell named to start at fullback while Francesca Goldthorp moves to the wing.

The Eels were so close to causing a major boilover for the second week in a row, with a 64th minute try to Cronulla's Annessa Biddle getting the Sharks over the line last week. It was a case of Parramatta being superior in nearly every aspect bar the scoreboard after 70 minutes. The 2023 wooden spoon winners have already announced themselves as a threat this season, with the likes of Rory Owen and Elsie Albert proving tough to handle in attack. Defensively, the Eels have also improved out of sight, with their goal-line stands last week reminiscent of a side desperate to outdo themselves in 2024. Multiple try saving tackles, notably by Rachael Pearson late in last week's defeat had fans looking ahead to what could be a promising season ahead for the Blue and Gold. They'll need to replicate some of last week's tenacity on their own goal line against a Cowboys side who has shown that they can exploit any weakness in defence. Parramatta have named the same 17 that valiantly went down to Cronulla last week at Allianz Stadium.

WHO TO WATCH: The aforementioned Elsie Albert has been fantastic for Parramatta in her two games this season. The PNG international has 13 tackle breaks already this season to go with an average of 120 running metres. A dominant prop who only knows how to go forward, she could be a huge problem for a Cowboys side who have only missed 34 tackles in the first two games. Expect to see plenty of Albert early with Kennedy Cherrington pushing up through the middle so the likes of Pearson and Rory Owen can exploit some tired middle forwards.

In a similar vein of form to Albert, Lily Peacock has been arguably the most impactful bench forward in the competition so far in 2024. Averaging over 140 metres per game across 54 minutes per game and at only 19 years of age, Peacock has a very promising future ahead of her. Must like Albert and Cherrington, watch for Peacock and Bree Chester to target the halves of the Eels close to the try line this weekend.

MY TIP: Two teams coming into the game on two points, with both teams also having some pretty dire winning records since coming into the competition (Cowboys 3/11, Eels 6/23). While possibly too early to call this a must-win game, it seems to be a fight for half the competition to get the last spot in the top four. North Queensland have yet to put together a complete game, either not scoring points or allowing six tries in. While Parramatta have issues playing away from home, I have them on the right side of a thriller this week purely with their goal line defense being able to hold up a strong Cowboys attack. **Eels by 4.**

BRONCOS v TITANS: Kelly HOLLIS

The Broncos hope to keep their season alive with a Round 3 match-up with the fast-starting Titans.

The Brisbane Broncos, one of the NRLW premiership hopefuls, have had a tough start to their 2024 campaign, going 0-2 after a 28-12 loss to the Sydney Roosters at Allianz Stadium last round. Despite a promising start with an early try, the Broncos found it challenging to maintain their momentum, with their completion rate falling below 70 percent. The

team made uncharacteristic 15 errors and gave away seven penalties, which proved to be their undoing. Coach Scott Prince acknowledged both the positives and the mistakes that let the Roosters off the hook, stating, 'Some really positive things were happening for us, and then we'd ease the pressure valve on the Roosters at some points... dumb plays putting pressure on ourselves.' The return of Gayle Broughton from injury is a significant boost for the Broncos, as she will partner with Ali Brigginsshaw in the halves. Stacey Waaka, fresh from her Olympic gold medal victory, will make her NRLW debut at centre. Her inclusion could prove to be a game changer, depending on how she adapts to rugby league after just playing rugby union on the world's biggest sporting stage. In the forward pack, the team will be without Brianna Clark due to suspension, with Chelsea Lenarduzzi stepping in as the starting prop.

The Gold Coast Titans, on the other hand, have had a flying start to their season, currently sitting at the top of the table with a 2-0 record. Their latest victory, a 28-12 win over the Wests Tigers at Cbus Super Stadium, showcased their attacking prowess and solid defence, instilling a sense of confidence in the team. Jamie Chapman was the star of the match, crossing for three tries, while Lauren Brown's quick thinking and accurate goal-kicking further bolstered the Titans' score. Despite a few injury concerns, coach Jimmy Murphy has named an unchanged 17 for this weekend's clash with the Broncos. Although Emily Bass and Brittany Breayley-Nati did not finish the game against the Tigers, they are both expected to start, being given until game time to prove their fitness. The Titans will look to continue their winning streak and cement their place at the top of the ladder.

WHO TO WATCH: Playing her first game for the Broncos this year, Gayle Broughton will potentially bring something to the side that they've been missing so far this year. Returning to partner her halfback, Ali Brigginsshaw, Broughton will be looking to support her side in improving their attack as they have only scored 22 points in their first two games.

Titans winger Jamie Chapman had a try-scoring field day against the Wests Tigers in Round 2, bagging herself the second hat-trick of her career. Running over 250 metres, making five tackle breaks, and three line breaks, she was an absolute handful for the defence. If the Titans can get her ball in open space, the Broncos better watch out!

MY TIP: I'm definitely going with the Titans on this one. Although the Broncos will be looking to get their first win of the season, the Titans are determined to go one better than the 2023 season and win a premiership... and from their form in their first two games, they are headed that way already. **Titans by 8.**

KNIGHTS v DRAGONS: Andy P

McDonald Jones Stadium will be the battlefield for this Sunday's clash as defending premiers aim to defend the kingdom against the St. George-Illawarra Dragons. The last two meetings between the club have all gone the way of the Knights, with the defending premiers undefeated this season while the Dragons are still trying to find a win.

The undefeated Knights came close to losing that mantle last week against the Raiders 26-20. The close win allows the Knights to keep the records coming in the NRLW, making it 11 straight wins. Coach Ben Jeffries says this is making his team hunted in the competition but says the girls will be more than ready for the Dragons come Sunday, alluding that the Knights may want to make a win in this round definitive. Jeffries also said that the polish they are looking for will come with some more patients in attack and completing the sets. Although a tight game, the Knights were dominant in the forwards, which was led by their captain Hannah Southwell. With no injuries, the Knights team has been rewarded without any changes leading into Sunday.

The Dragons are yet to find any spark in their season after going down in a tight game to the North Queensland Cowboys 38-34 in Townsville last round. Coach Jamie Soward was rather tight-lipped after the game, saying that it was only the playing group who would be able to turn things around on the field. In a game that got away from them, Captain Raecene McGregor said they make it hard for themselves by playing catch-up football. The Dragons showed they can stay in touch but will need to look at getting the missed tackles down if they don't want to be playing catch-up footy. Soward highlighted the game of Kasey Reh, who has been elevated to hooker on the run-on side to take on the Knights this round. The Dragons have also had to make a few changes due to injuries, with Margot Vella out with a foot problem replaced by Leo Fotu-Mola, and Sara Sautia is also out with a foot injury.

WHO TO WATCH: Hannah Southwell led the charge of her forwards last week and will no doubt rally the troops through her on-field actions. Tamika Upton will always be dangerous and the Dragons will look to plug any holes in defence the quick-footed full-back will likely expose. New Zealand Rugby Sevens star Tenika Willison has been named to the extended bench, and hopefully, she will get a run hot off a gold medal performance in the Paris Olympics.

The Dragons are clearly looking to turn things around and they will do well to look to be strong in the middle. Angelina Tearkaraanga-Katoa, Shenai Lendill and Alexis Tauaneai were all strong players last week, and if they can produce again, it will go a long way to them staying competitive in the game. Tyla King, a teammate of Tenika Willison has been named on their extended bench, another hopeful entry into Sunday's game and one to watch if she is.

MY TIP: The Dragons will come to fight, but with a leaky defence going up against an undefeated home team, it may be a bridge too far. **Knights by 12.**



SOUTH SYDNEY RABBITOHS MELBOURNE STORM



VENUE	Accor Stadium (Stadium Australia)	Todd SMITH	REFEREE
LOCATION	Wanngal Sydney Olympic Park, NSW	Belinda SHARPE, Phil HENDERSON	TOUCH JUDGES
DAY & TIME	THu 8 Aug 2024 7:50p AEST	Ashley KLEIN	NRL BUNKER

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts							Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
20	8	3	-	-	16	Jye GRAY	1	FULLBACK	1	Ryan PAPHENHUYZEN		26	13	10	-	-	40
-	1	-	1	-	2	Fletcher MYERS	2	WING	2	Will WARBRICK		26	17	8	-	-	32
29	16	3	1	-	14	Taane MILNE	3	CENTRE	3	Jack HOWARTH		21	9	2	-	-	8
29	9	4	-	-	16	Richard KENNAR	4	CENTRE	4	Nick MEANEY		26	17	5	72	-	164
28	12	9	-	-	36	Jacob GAGAI	5	WING	5	Grant ANDERSON		24	11	6	-	-	24
31	17	5	-	-	20	Jack WIGHTON	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Cameron MUNSTER		29	9	2	-	-	8
34	17	7	2	-	32	Cody WALKER	7	HALFBACK	7	Jahrome HUGHES		29	16	5	-	-	20
21	18	3	-	-	12	Davy MOALE	8	FRONT ROW	8	Tui KAMIKAMICA		30	15	1	-	-	4
33	18	3	7	-	26	Damien COOK	9	HOOKER	9	Harry GRANT		26	16	6	-	-	24
26	16	1	-	-	4	Sean KEPPIE	10	FRONT ROW	10	Josh KING		29	19	2	-	-	8
26	11	1	-	-	4	Cameron MURRAY	11	SECOND ROW	11	Shawn BLORE		24	17	2	-	-	8
32	15	1	-	-	4	Michael CHEE-KAM	12	SECOND ROW	12	Trent LOIERO		23	19	-	-	-	-
26	19	4	-	-	16	Keaon KOLOAMATANGI	13	LOCK	13	Nelson ASOFA-SOLOMONA		28	13	-	-	-	-
23	14	1	-	-	4	Peter MAMOUELOS	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Tyran WISHART		24	18	9	8	-	52
22	15	1	-	-	4	Tallis DUNCAN	15		15	Lazarus VAALEPU		25	3	-	-	-	-
32	19	3	-	-	12	Thomas BURGESS	16		16	Chris LEWIS		32	3	-	-	-	-
28	3	-	-	-	-	Shaq MITCHELL	17		17	Alec MacDONALD		22	14	-	-	-	-
25	6	1	7	-	18	Dean HAWKINS	18	RESERVES	19	Sualauvi FA'ALOGO		21	11	6	-	-	24
19	4	-	-	-	-	Liam LE BLANC	19		18	Kane BRADLEY		24	3	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	Brock GRAY	20		20	Tepai MOEROA		28	3	-	-	-	-
27	4	3	-	-	12	Izac THOMPSON	21		21	Dean IEREMIA		22	1	1	-	-	4
21	-	-	-	-	-	Leon TE HAU	22		22	Tristan POWELL		23	-	-	-	-	-
44	13	-	-	-	-	Ben HORNBY		COACHES		Craig BELLAMY		64	571	-	-	-	-

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	TOTAL	SOUTH SYDNEY	MELBOURNE	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	40	7	33	0
ACCOR	10	3	7	0
TODD SMITH	3	1	2	0

LAST FIVE MEETINGS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2022	Round 2	MELBOURNE 15-14	AAMI	13269
2022	Round 19	SOUTH SYDNEY 24-12	Accor	11217
2023	Round 5	MELBOURNE 18-10	Accor	11239
2023	Round 10	SOUTH SYDNEY 28-12	Suncorp	50183
2024	Round 8	MELBOURNE 54-20	AAMI	25149

BIGGEST WINS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2003	Round 13	SOUTH SYDNEY 41-14	Aussie	7104
2017	Round 25	MELBOURNE 64-6	AAMI	15403

STATE OF PLAY: 2024 SEASON

TEAM	POSITION	PLAYED	BYES	W-L-D	FOR	AGAINST
SOUTH SYDNEY	15TH	19	3	7-12-0	406	530
MELBOURNE	1ST	19	3	15-4-0	512	355

RECENT FORM

TEAM	ROUND 20	RESULT	ROUND 21	RESULT	ROUND 22	RESULT
SOUTH SYDNEY	W TIGERS	W 42-28	CANBERRA	L 12-32	CRONULLA	L 6-20
MELBOURNE	SYDNEY	W 24-8	PARRAMATTA	W 32-14	ST GEO ILLA	L 16-18

NEXT FOUR MATCHES

TEAM	ROUND 24	ROUND 25	ROUND 26	ROUND 27
SOUTH SYDNEY	WESTS TIGERS (A)	NEWCASTLE (H)	PENRITH (A)	SYDNEY (H)
MELBOURNE	PENRITH (A)	DOLPHINS (H)	NORTH QLD (A)	BRISBANE (A)

THINGS TO KNOW

- Cody WALKER has scored 98 NRL tries
- Davvy MOALE has played 49 NRL games
- Souths have lost all 18 of their games played in Victoria, all of which have been against the Storm. 7 of those games has seen Melbourne score at least 40 points, while Souths have reached 18 or more points on just 3 occasions.
- Melbourne have won 33 of their 40 games against Souths

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MATCH PREVIEW

Kelly HOLLIS

Melbourne will be determined to grab the two points to stay clear of the Panthers at the top of the ladder.

In what promises to be a crucial clash at Accor Stadium, both the South Sydney Rabbitohs and Melbourne Storm are coming off disappointing losses that have impacted their standings and morale.

South Sydney's chances of making the 2024 NRL finals were dashed last week after a 20-6 defeat to the Cronulla Sharks at PointsBet Stadium. Despite an early try from fullback Jye Gray, the Rabbitohs struggled to find their rhythm, succumbing to errors and a determined Sharks side. The Rabbitohs only managed a penalty goal after their initial score and were ultimately outclassed in the second half, leaving them in a precarious 15th position on the ladder with only seven wins this season.

Heading into this week's game, South Sydney will be looking to rally with the return of halfback Cody Walker and changes in their lineup, including Michael Chee Kam moving into the back row to replace Jacob Host and Peter Mamouzelos and Shaquai Mitchell joining the bench.

The Melbourne Storm, meanwhile, will be aiming to bounce back from their surprising 18-16 defeat at the hands of the St George Illawarra Dragons, marking their first loss to the Dragons in Melbourne since 1999. Despite Harry Grant's double and a solid start, the Storm were plagued by uncharacteristic errors that allowed the Dragons to stay in the contest and eventually secure a narrow victory. Melbourne's efforts to recover were thwarted in the dying minutes, leaving them with their fourth loss of the season.

The return of prop Tui Kamikamica sees Nelson Asofa-Solomona move to the back row to cover the loss of Eli Katoa, while Chris Lewis joins the bench for his first NRL game since Round 3. Despite the reshuffled lineup to accommodate injuries, including the continued absence of star winger Xavier Coates, the Storm will be determined to reaffirm their dominance over the Rabbitohs, having won nine of their past 11 encounters.

Thursday night's game shapes up as a pivotal moment for both teams as they look to turn their fortunes around.

WHO TO WATCH: Returning from injury, Cody Walker will be looking to help spark his side's attack against the best team in the competition this weekend. After only scoring 6 points against the Cronulla Sharks and having poor execution, Walker will be an important inclusion in this week's lineup to direct the team around the park.

Since replacing injured winger Xavier Coates, Grant Anderson has scored five tries in his last four games and six in the eleven games he has played all season. Averaging over 100 metres per game, the 24-year-old is impressive in both attack and defence.

FAVOURITE: Considering have won nine of their past 11 games against them, the Storm are definitely the outright favourites in this game against the Bunnies.

MY TIP: Although the Storm lost in Round 22, they very rarely lose two games in a row. So I'm sticking with the Storm to take out this one quite convincingly. **Storm by 16.**

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GOLD COAST TITANS

CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND SHARKS



VENUE	Cbus Super Stadium (Robina Stadium)	Adam GEE	REFEREE
LOCATION	Yugambah Robina, QLD	Jarrod COLE, Dan SCHWASS	TOUCH JUDGES
DAY & TIME	Fri 9 Aug 2024 6:00pm AEST	Wyatt RAYMOND	NRL BUNKER

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts							Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
20	13	5	4	-	28	Keano KINI	1	FULLBACK	1	William KENNEDY		27	18	4	-	-	16
22	16	20	-	-	80	Alofiana KHAN-PEREIRA	2	WING	2	Sione KATOA		26	17	14	-	-	56
28	19	5	10	-	40	Brian KELLY	3	CENTRE	3	Jesse RAMIEN		27	19	4	-	-	16
27	11	5	-	-	20	Phillip SAMI	4	CENTRE	4	Kayal IRO		24	16	4	-	-	16
21	14	6	-	-	24	Sosefo FIFITA	5	WING	5	Samuel STONESTREET		22	2	2	-	-	8
24	10	3	26	-	64	Jayden CAMPBELL	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Daniel ATKINSON		23	12	3	5	1	23
34	16	2	-	1	9	Kieran FORAN	7	HALFBACK	7	Blayke BRAILEY		25	19	3	-	-	12
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33	18	-	-	-	-	Isaac LIU	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Jayden BERRELL		29	1	-	-	-	-
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27	11	3	-	-	12	Keenan PALASIA	17		17	Thomas HAZELTON		25	18	5	-	-	20
25	10	5	-	-	20	AJ BRIMSON	18	RESERVES	18	Niwhai PURU		22	-	-	-	-	-
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28	6	-	-	-	-	Joe STIMSON	20		20	Billy BURNS		25	2	-	-	-	-
24	5	-	-	-	-	Jacob ALICK	21		21	Mawene HIROTI		25	-	-	-	-	-
21	1	1	-	-	4	Tony FRANCIS	22		22	Liam ISON		19	1	-	-	-	-
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	TOTAL	GOLD COAST	CRONULLA	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	27	9	17	1
CBUS SUPER	9	3	5	1
ADAM GEE	0	0	0	0

LAST FIVE MEETINGS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2021	Round 12	CRONULLA 38-10	BCU Stadium	7362
2022	Round 11	CRONULLA 25-18	Cbus Super	9882
2022	Round 15	CRONULLA 18-10	C.ex Coffs	9058
2023	Round 24	CRONULLA 36-6	Pointsbet	9753
2024	Round 18	GOLD COAST 20-16	C.ex Coffs	8673

BIGGEST WINS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2017	Round 19	GOLD COAST 30-10	Cbus Super	14333
2020	Round 8	CRONULLA 40-10	Cbus Super	1995
2023	Round 24	CRONULLA 36-6	Pointsbet	9753

STATE OF PLAY: 2024 SEASON

TEAM	POSITION	PLAYED	BYES	W-L-D	FOR	AGAINST
GOLD COAST	11TH	19	3	8-11-0	424	478
CRONULLA	4TH	19	3	12-7-0	484	353

RECENT FORM

TEAM	ROUND 20	RESULT	ROUND 21	RESULT	ROUND 22	RESULT
GOLD COAST	MANLY	L 8-38	DOLPHINS	W 21-14	BRISBANE	W 46-18
CRONULLA	BYE	-	NORTH QLD	L 22-30	SOUTHS	W 20-6

NEXT FOUR MATCHES

TEAM	ROUND 24	ROUND 25	ROUND 26	ROUND 27
GOLD COAST	ST GEO ILLA (A)	SYDNEY (H)	NEWCASTLE (A)	PENRITH (A)
CRONULLA	NEWCASTLE (H)	ST GEO ILLA (A)	WARRIORS (H)	MANLY (A)

THINGS TO KNOW

- The Titans win last week was their 5th in 6 games. They have achieved this feat just twice previously since 2011 – back in 2014 and 2020.
- Cronulla needs to score 1 try to reach 4500 in their premiership history.
- The Titans have only ever won back-to-back games against the Sharks twice (2014-15 and 2017)
- David FIFITA has scored 49 NRL tries
- Will KENNEDY has played 99 NRL games
- Jesse RAMIEN has scored 49 tries for Cronulla

Match stats courtesy of

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MATCH PREVIEW

Adam HUXTABLE

Sharks Send Makeshift Spine to Steal Two Points From Resurgent Titans

When the Sharks “hosted” the Titans in Coffs Harbour a little over a month ago, they were in the midst of a mid-year form slump that was exacerbated when the men from the Coast caused an upset to consign them to their fifth loss in six games.

Since then, the Sharks have benefitted from a slight positive regression back to the mean, winning two out of their last three games despite star halfback Nicho Hynes going down with a medium-term injury. While the results have been a welcome change, nothing about their performances have shown that they are capable of going any further than their recent finals exits of weeks 1 and 2 respectively. With a run home against teams who will all likely be vying for the finals, their standards will need to lift if they are to remain inside the top 4.

That run home starts this week against a Titans side who, after an extremely slow start to the year, have gone 8-5 in their last 13 games and are currently on a two-match win streak against Queensland rivals the Dolphins and Broncos. What will have Gold Coast fans daring to dream of an unlikely finals berth is the fact that Des Hasler has managed to marry up the Titans flamboyant attack of seasons passed with a newfound defensive resolve; they have conceded more than 18 points just once since Round 15.

The Sharks task will be made even harder by the fact that Braydon Trindall, who has been their best player lately and arguably was even before the Hynes injury, will be missing due to a minor hamstringing complaint. Coach Fitzgibbon has decided to fill the void with a reshuffle rather than a like for like replacement, with Blayke Brailey moving from hooker to halfback and Cam McInnes from lock to hooker, mirroring the spine that beat the Storm in Melbourne for the Sharks best win of the year to date.

For the Titans, Erin Clark starts at prop, pushing Jaimin Jolliffe to the bench, while Beau Fermor is out with a bruised kidney and is replaced in the back row by Klese Haas, who's bench spot is covered by Keenan Palasia.

WHO TO WATCH: He's been threatening to do so for a while now, but last week Gold Coast fullback Keano Kini finally exploded for a try double to go with his usual video game-like stat line of 24 runs for 202 metres, a line break, line break assist, two try assists, five tackle breaks and an offload as well as five tackles made without a miss. The Titans have long had big raps on Kini and he has been repaying the faith in spades ever since taking over the fullback role for Brimson, who was initially out due to injury but has since fallen behind in the pecking order, which is a good problem for the Titans to have. The Sharks have had some trouble containing similarly electric fullbacks Scott Drinkwater and Jye Gray in their last two matches, so look for Kini to cause some more headaches for Cronulla's defence.

For the Sharks, it will be interesting to see how Cam McInnes goes at hooker having had a full week to prepare for the more involved position. McInnes spent a good chunk of his St George Illawarra Dragons career wearing the number nine before making the permanent switch to lock forward upon his arrival at the Sharks in 2022. His one appearance at hooker for the Sharks this season came due to a Hynes being a late withdrawal against the Storm in Melbourne, and the direction McInnes was able to provide through the middle of the field in that game was a huge reason the Sharks were able to cause the upset.

FAVOURITE: The Titans are 4.5-point favourites at the time of writing.

MY TIP: The Sharks should be up for the fight, but I don't think they'll have enough points in them to beat a Titans side that has been on a roll of late. **Titans by 12.**

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**PARRAMATTA
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**PENRITH
PANTHERS**



VENUE	Commbank Stadium (Western Sydney Stadium)	Peter GOUGH	REFEREE
LOCATION	Burrattagal Parramatta, NSW	Damian BRADY, Matt NOYEN	TOUCH JUDGES
DAY & TIME	Fri 9 Aug 2024 8:00pm AEST	Liam KENNEDY	NRL BUNKER

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts							Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
29	16	3	27	-	66	Clinton GUTHERSON	1	FULLBACK	1	Daine LAURIE		25	12	1	-	-	4
25	4	2	-	-	8	Jake TAGO	2	WING	2	Sunia TURUVA		21	17	12	-	-	48
22	18	5	-	-	20	Will PENISINI	3	CENTRE	3	Izack TAGO		22	18	6	-	-	24
19	15	10	-	-	40	Blaize TALAGI	4	CENTRE	4	Casey McLEAN		-	4	2	-	-	8
22	17	3	3	-	18	Sean RUSSELL	5	WING	5	Brian TO'O		25	16	9	-	-	36
24	19	4	-	-	16	Dylan BROWN	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Jarome LUAI		27	16	3	-	-	12
23	9	2	7	1	23	Daejarn ASI	7	HALFBACK	7	Nathan CLEARY		26	8	4	31	1	80
31	19	1	-	-	4	Reagan CAMPBELL-GILLARD	8	FRONT ROW	8	Moses LEOTA		29	18	2	-	-	8
25	14	-	-	-	-	Brendan HANDS	9	HOOKER	9	Mitch KENNY		26	17	2	-	-	8
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29	19	2	-	-	8	Shaun LANE	11	SECOND ROW	11	Scott SORENSEN		31	13	3	-	-	12
29	15	3	-	-	12	Bryce CARTWRIGHT	12	SECOND ROW	12	Liam MARTIN		27	15	2	-	-	8
29	15	-	-	-	-	Ryan MATTERSON	13	LOCK	13	Isaah YEO		29	17	1	-	-	4
28	15	3	-	-	12	Joey LUSSICK	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Trent TOELAU		24	7	1	-	-	4
28	19	1	-	-	4	Joe OFAHENGAUE	15		15	Matt EISENHUTH		31	14	-	-	-	-
24	3	-	-	-	-	Matt DOOREY	16		16	Liam HENRY		23	17	2	-	-	8
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25	13	2	-	-	8	Kelma TUILAGI	19		19	Jack COLE		21	8	2	-	-	8
26	-	-	-	-	-	Isaac LUMELUME	20		20	Isaiah IONGI		-	1	-	-	-	-
25	8	4	-	-	16	Morgan HARPER	21		21	Asu KEPAOA		24	3	1	-	-	4
31	7	-	-	-	-	Makahesi MAKATOA	22		22	Luke SOMMERTON		24	2	-	-	-	-
46	116	-	-	-	-	Trent BARRETT		COACHES		Ivan CLEARY		53	443	-	-	-	-

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	TOTAL	PARRAMATTA	PENRITH	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	111	62	47	2
COMMBANK	4	3	1	0
PETER GOUGH	0	0	0	0

LAST FIVE MEETINGS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2022	Qualifying Final	PENRITH 27-8	BlueBet	21863
2022	Grand Final	PENRITH 28-12	Accor	82415
2023	Round 4	PARRAMATTA 17-16	CommBank	16342
2023	Round 26	PARRAMATTA 32-18	BlueBet	21525
2024	Round 2	PENRITH 26-18	BlueBet	21522

BIGGEST WINS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2002	Round 1	PARRAMATTA 64-6	Parramatta	13348
2021	Round 25	PENRITH 40-6	Cbus Super	8580

STATE OF PLAY: 2024 SEASON

TEAM	POSITION	PLAYED	BYES	W-L-D	FOR	AGAINST
PARRAMATTA	16TH	19	3	5-14-0	385	546
PENRITH	2ND	19	3	14-5-0	452	290

RECENT FORM

TEAM	ROUND 20	RESULT	ROUND 21	RESULT	ROUND 22	RESULT
PARRAMATTA	BYE	-	MELBOURNE	L 14-32	WARRIORS	W 30-20
PENRITH	DOLPHINS	W 28-26	ST GEO ILLA	W 46-10	NEWCASTLE	W 22-14

NEXT FOUR MATCHES

TEAM	ROUND 24	ROUND 25	ROUND 26	ROUND 27
PARRAMATTA	SYDNEY (A)	BRISBANE (A)	ST GEO ILLA (H)	WESTS TIGERS (A)
PENRITH	MELBOURNE (H)	CANBERRA (A)	SOUTH SYDNEY (H)	GOLD COAST (H)

THINGS TO KNOW

- Penrith have won 12 of their last 17 games against the Eels in matches everywhere except in Penrith.
- The Eels have won just 3 games since Round 4 – the same as the last placed Tigers.

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MATCH PREVIEW

Luke JOBSON

Friday night football in the heart of Sydney's west - where else would you rather be?

The Penrith Panthers will arrive in 2025 at their temporary home of Commbank Stadium as they look to take down a Parramatta Eels side that always seem to get up for their rivals at the foot of the mountain. When the sides met in round two, Parramatta had the lead at half time before two tries to Sunia Turuva and Izack Tago put the Eels hopes to bed.

This is also an Eels side that is still missing Mitchell Moses, having now also lost co-captain Junior Paulo for the rest of the season to injury. That did not stop them last week from going to Auckland and scampering away with the win against the Warriors. A class performance from Daejarn Asi and Dylan Brown saw the Eels win for the first time in two months across the ditch, revitalizing hopes of avoiding the wooden spoon once again.

While the scoreline reflects a ten point win, it flatters the Warriors who were outplayed in nearly every facet of the game last week by Parramatta. That won't happen this week, with Penrith looking to regain their grip on the minor premiership after a 22-14 win in Newcastle.

The best teams don't always play well, but they always find a way to win. Penrith did that, despite the best efforts of a fired up Knights team. The shock loss that the Melbourne Storm suffered last week saw the Panthers get within two points of the ladder leading Storm, making it a very tasty clash between the two sides next week at Penrith Stadium. That said, the Panthers need to find a way past a Parramatta side that always seems to trouble the premiers.

Jarome Luai and Nathan Cleary will look to lead the side once again to victory off the back of their dominant forward pack. Luai was arguably the best of the pairing last week, consistently troubling the Knights left edge while Cleary did everything that was required in his near perfect performance.

Parramatta will stick with the same 17 that went across the ditch and shocked the Warriors finals hopes. Kelma Tuilagi makes an appearance in the reserves as he tries to break back into first grade after suspension.

Penrith welcomes back Daine Laurie after missing last week with a head knock in the only change to the team from last week. The impressive Isaiah Iongi heads back to the reserves despite a great debut, with Dylan Edwards expected to be back next week for the reigning Premiers

WHO TO WATCH: While it is hard to identify someone who could break open this game for the Eels, Dylan Brown showed last week that he can step up in the absence of Mitch Moses. It was the performance from Brown that Eels fans had been crying out for, with two try assists and a couple of line breaks to break Warriors hearts. His running game will be crucial down the Panthers left edge, targeting Liam Martin no doubt part of the game plan this week for the Eels.

Nathan Cleary once again showed why he is the best halfback in the NRL, with another standout performance last week. While he wasn't setting up all the tries against the Knights, he stood up when needed to score the match-winning try whilst kicking 5/5 on his way to 14 individual points. Parramatta tend to find a way in these game to shut Cleary down, but it may be a task too hard with the form this man has been in post-injury.

FAVOURITE: Ladder positions make this obvious - Penrith are heavy favourites.

MY TIP: It is tough being a Parramatta fan when Penrith come around in the draw, because you know the Eels will show up... but it is Penrith. Despite the faith that has so faintly flickered in Eels circles after last week's win in Auckland, you would be hard pressed to find a neutral fan who won't pick Penrith. The Eels will try hard, but Penrith will be too strong where it matters. **Panthers by 12.**

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CANBERRA RAIDERS

MANLY-WARRINGAH SEA EAGLES



VENUE	GIO Stadium Canberra (Canberra Stadium)	Grant ATKINS	REFEREE
LOCATION	Ngunnawal Bruce, ACT	Drew OULTRAM, Tyson BROUGH	TOUCH JUDGES
DAY & TIME	Sat 10 Aug 2024 3:00pm AEST	Chris BUTLER	NRL BUNKER

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts											Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
22	12	6	3	-	30	Kaeo WEEKES	1	FULLBACK	1	Tom TRBOJEVIC	27	14	10	-	-	40					
34	15	6	19	2	64	Jordan RAPANA	2	WING	2	Jason SAAB	23	13	9	-	-	36					
24	19	4	-	-	16	Matthew TIMOKO	3	CENTRE	3	Tommy TALAU	24	17	14	-	-	56					
25	16	3	-	-	12	Sebastian KRIS	4	CENTRE	4	Reuben GARRICK	27	17	8	54	-	140					
22	19	10	-	-	40	Xavier SAVAGE	5	WING	5	Lehi HOPOATE	19	7	4	-	-	16					
19	18	2	-	-	8	Ethan STRANGE	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Luke BROOKS	29	19	4	-	-	16					
30	10	-	37	2	76	Jamal FOGARTY	7	HALFBACK	7	Daly CHERRY-EVANS	35	17	6	16	2	58					
32	18	1	-	-	4	Josh PAPALII	8	FRONT ROW	8	Taniela PASEKA	26	16	-	-	-	-					
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22	14	1	-	-	4	Trey MOONEY	15		15	Ben TRBOJEVIC	23	15	5	-	-	20					
22	18	2	-	-	8	Ata MARIOTA	16		16	Ethan BULLEMOR	24	16	1	-	-	4					
23	5	1	-	-	4	Simi SASAGI	17		17	Toafofoa SIPLEY	29	12	1	-	-	4					
23	6	-	-	-	-	Albert HOPOATE	18	RESERVES	18	Corey WADDELL	27	16	3	-	-	12					
28	19	5	-	-	20	Danny LEVI	19		19	Clayton FAULALO	-	2	1	-	-	4					
26	2	-	-	-	-	Corey HORSBURGH	20		20	Jamie HUMPHREYS	-	1	1	3	-	10					
28	1	-	-	-	-	Zac WOOLFORD	21		21	Jake SIMPKIN	22	11	-	-	-	-					
26	10	-	-	-	-	Emre GULER	22		22	Dean MATTERSON	26	-	-	-	-	-					
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	TOTAL	CANBERRA	MANLY	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	64	24	39	1
GIO	19	8	11	0
GRANT ATKINS	3	1	2	0

LAST FIVE MEETINGS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2021	Round 23	MANLY 19-18	Suncorp	6181
2022	Round 4	MANLY 25-6	Glen Willow	6972
2022	Round 24	CANBERRA 48-6	GIO	16647
2023	Round 12	MANLY 42-14	GIO	14730
2024	Round 9	CANBERRA 26-24	4 Pines	10215

BIGGEST WINS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
1982	Round 20	MANLY 61-20	Brookvale	7133
2022	Round 24	CANBERRA 48-6	GIO	16647

STATE OF PLAY: 2024 SEASON

TEAM	POSITION	PLAYED	BYES	W-L-D	FOR	AGAINST
CANBERRA	10TH	19	3	9-10-0	384	459
MANLY	7TH	19	3	10-8-1	484	391

RECENT FORM

TEAM	ROUND 20	RESULT	ROUND 21	RESULT	ROUND 22	RESULT
CANBERRA	WARRIORS	W 20-18	SOUTHS	W 32-12	CANTERBURY	L 18-22
MANLY	GOLD COAST	W 38-8	SYDNEY	L 30-34	BYE	-

NEXT FOUR MATCHES

TEAM	ROUND 24	ROUND 25	ROUND 26	ROUND 27
CANBERRA	NORTH QLD (A)	PENRITH (H)	SYDNEY (A)	ST GEO ILLA (A)
MANLY	WARRIORS (H)	WESTS TIGERS (A)	CANTERBURY (A)	CRONULLA (H)

THINGS TO KNOW

- Canberra needs to score 1 try to reach 4000 in their premiership history.
- Raiders have only won back-to-back games against Manly once since 2005 – back in 2016.
- Luke BROOKS has scored 49 NRL tries
- Tom TRBOJEVIC has scored 98 NRL tries
- Nick COTRIC has played 149 NRL games
- Jamal FOGARTY has played 49 games for Canberra
- Karl LAWTON has played 99 NRL games

MATCH PREVIEW

Rhys SULLIVAN

The Sea Eagles and Raiders are poised to square off in a match that could have significant ramifications on the makeup of the bottom half of the top 8.

Canberra are reminiscing on what could have been, after an arm wrestle against the Bulldogs saw them fall short 22-18. Kaeo Weekes was strong at fullback with a try assist and over 150 running metres, while Jamal Fogarty also picked up a try assist. In the forwards Joseph Tapine had arguably his best game of the season, while Tom Starling, Josh Papalii, Morgan Smithies and Elliot Whitehead were also brilliant. However seeing that many players perform well just makes the loss hurt even more.

Ethan Strange is back for Canberra after being rested last week, dropping Adam Cook to the bench and Danny Levi out of the 17. Zac Hosking's season is over due to shoulder surgery, which gives Ata Mariota another opportunity from the bench.

Manly had the bye in Round 22 to rue their own missed opportunity against the Roosters a week earlier, coming home with a wet sail but leaving their run too late in a 34-30 defeat. Daly Cherry Evans was brilliant, with a try to go along with a dominant running and kicking game, while forwards Taniela Paseka, Jake Trbojevic and Toafofoa Siple were strong, but it wasn't enough against a Roosters side scoring for fun in the first half.

Lehi Hopoate is back from a facial fracture in a boost for the Sea Eagles, with Tommy Talau to play centres and Ben Trbojevic off the bench. Lachlan Croker is back after a lengthy concussion-enforced layoff, starting at hooker. Haumole Olakau'atu returns from suspension while Reuben Garrick and Jason Saab avoid concussion protocol thanks to the bye.

Manly have reinforced their status as one of the better attacking and defending sides in the competition, averaging 25 points scored (tied-4th best) and 21 conceded (6th best) per game. For Canberra the numbers aren't quite as impactful, at 20 points scored (14th in the league) and 24 conceded (10th best).

WHO TO WATCH: Jamal Fogarty's return from a bicep tear has been somewhat mixed. His four try assists in three games have been welcomed by a Raiders side struggling for attacking spark, however the dominant kicking game he showed before his injury has yet to reappear. Should he be able to bring both aspects of his game together against Manly, the Raiders will have a strong chance of winning.

As Manly push for finals football, Tom Trbojevic is slowly getting back to his best. In the three games since his return to the fullback position, Turbo has three tries, 6 try assists and has run in excess of 200 metres twice. Manly will need him to be at his best for September, and another 5 star performance against Canberra would prove that the hype is real.

FAVOURITE: Manly are favoured in this one

MY TIP: Should everything go to program, Manly should be able to get the win in this one. Sea Eagles by 10.

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**NORTH QUEENSLAND
COWBOYS**

**BRISBANE
BRONCOS**



VENUE	QLD Country Bank Stadium (North QLD Stadium)	Ashley KLEIN	REFEREE
LOCATION	Wulgurukaba Townsville, QLD	Dave MUNRO, Ziggy PRZEKLASA-ADAMSKI	TOUCH JUDGES
DAY & TIME	Sat 10 Aug 2024 5:30pm AEST	Matt NOYEN	NRL BUNKER

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts							Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
27	20	9	6	1	50	Scott DRINKWATER	1	FULLBACK	1	Reece WALSH		22	13	14	18	-	92
32	19	15	-	-	60	Kyle FELDT	2	WING	2	Josiah KARAPANI		22	7	-	-	-	-
29	18	9	70	-	176	Valentine HOLMES	3	CENTRE	3	Kotoni STAGGS		25	18	5	17	-	54
21	12	1	-	-	4	Viliani VAILEA	4	CENTRE	4	Deine MARINER		21	18	16	-	-	64
25	12	7	-	-	28	Murray TAULAGI	5	WING	5	Jesse ARTHARS		26	15	4	-	-	16
23	18	6	-	-	24	Tom DEARDEN	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Josh ROGERS		28	2	-	-	-	-
33	19	3	-	3	15	Chad TOWNSEND	7	HALFBACK	7	Adam REYNOLDS		34	9	-	29	-	58
32	17	-	-	-	-	Jordan McLEAN	8	FRONT ROW	8	Corey JENSEN		30	20	-	-	-	-
26	17	2	-	-	8	Reece ROBSON	9	HOOKER	9	Billy WALTERS		30	19	3	-	-	12
26	20	3	-	-	12	Sam McINTYRE	10	FRONT ROW	10	Xavier WILLISON		22	16	2	-	-	8
23	13	4	-	-	16	Heilum LUKI	11	SECOND ROW	11	Brendan PIAKURA		22	15	3	-	-	12
21	18	12	-	-	48	Jeremiah NANAI	24	SECOND ROW	12	Jordan RIKI		24	18	2	-	-	8
25	17	2	-	-	8	Reuben COTTER	13	LOCK	13	Patrick CARRIGAN		26	18	1	-	-	4
23	10	-	-	-	-	Harrison EDWARDS	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Blake MOZER		20	4	1	-	-	4
26	10	-	-	-	-	Thomas MIKAELE	15		15	Kobe HETHERINGTON		25	20	1	-	-	4
20	20	3	-	-	12	Kulikefu FINEFEUIAKI	16		16	Tristan SAILOR		26	8	-	-	-	-
23	20	1	-	-	4	Griffin NEAME	17		17	Martin TAUPAU		34	9	1	-	-	4
19	6	2	-	-	8	Jaxon PURDUE	18	RESERVES	18	Cory PAIX		24	-	-	-	-	-
26	3	-	1	-	2	Jake CLIFFORD	19		19	Benjamin TE KURA		-	1	1	-	-	4
23	5	1	-	-	4	Tom CHESTER	20		20	Jaiyden HUNT		26	4	-	-	-	-
25	4	1	-	-	4	Semi VALEMEI	21		21	Corey OATES		29	14	3	-	-	12
-	-	-	-	-	-	Marly BITUNGANE	22		22	Va'a SEMU		-	-	-	-	-	-
45	108	-	-	-	-	Todd PAYTEN		COACHES		Kevin WALTERS		56	95	-	-	-	-

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	TOTAL	NORTH QLD	BRISBANE	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	61	20	39	2
QLD C. BANK	4	2	2	0
ASHLEY KLEIN	2	0	2	0

LAST FIVE MEETINGS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2022	Round 3	NORTH QLD 38-12	Suncorp	37761
2022	Round 16	NORTH QLD 40-26	QLD C. Bank	23531
2023	Round 2	BRISBANE 28-16	Suncorp	43162
2023	Round 23	BRISBANE 30-14	QLD C. Bank	22659
2024	Round 4	BRISBANE 38-12	Suncorp	45793

BIGGEST WINS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
1998	Round 5	BRISBANE 58-4	QEII	20904
2006	Round 1	NORTH QLD 36-4	Suncorp	46229

STATE OF PLAY: 2024 SEASON

TEAM	POSITION	PLAYED	BYES	W-L-D	FOR	AGAINST
NORTH QLD	6TH	20	2	12-8-0	515	486
BRISBANE	14TH	20	2	8-12-0	447	475

RECENT FORM

TEAM	ROUND 20	RESULT	ROUND 21	RESULT	ROUND 22	RESULT
NORTH QLD	CANTERBURY	W 20-18	CRONULLA	W 30-22	W TIGERS	W 48-30
BRISBANE	NEWCASTLE	W 30-14	CANTERBURY	L 16-41	GOLD COAST	L 18-46

NEXT FOUR MATCHES

TEAM	ROUND 24	ROUND 25	ROUND 26	ROUND 27
NORTH QLD	CANBERRA (H)	(BYE)	MELBOURNE (H)	CANTERBURY (A)
BRISBANE	(BYE)	PARRAMATTA (H)	DOLPHINS (A)	MELBOURNE (H)

THINGS TO KNOW

- Cowboys have won 11 of their last 16 games against the Broncos that were played outside of Brisbane.
- 8 of the last 9 clashes between these 2 sides has seen at least 44 match points scored.
- Kotoni STAGGS and Adam REYNOLDS have both scored 49 NRL tries

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MATCH PREVIEW

Beth NICHOLLS

The Broncos look to pull off a miracle with their season hanging on by the thinnest of threads, whilst the Cowboys are trying to consolidate their top eight position.

The home side claimed their 12th win of the season last week where they defeated the Tigers 48-30. The high scoring match highlighted that the Cowboys have some defensive work to do, especially when five of their eight tries came in the last 30 minutes where the Tigers were down to twelves players.

Reuben Cotter returns to the side after missing last week due to concussion protocols, which sees Harrison Edwards revert to the bench, where there was a void due to Jake Granville suffering a pectoral injury. Despite suffering a head knock against the Tigers, Heilum Luki has been named. In honour of Carl Webb the No.12 jersey has been retired for the match which sees Jeremiah Nanai don the number 24 on his back instead.

Last week saw the Broncos season from hell and fall from grace continue, being defeated by the Titans for the second time this season, with a final score of 46-18, after leading the Titans 18-10 at halftime. Brisbane can hypothetically make the finals if they win every match left of the regular season and the teams swarming around the eight don't get the wins to make the eight (it'll need a miracle and a half).

With Ezra Mam and Payne Haas suffering injuries against the Titans it sees shifts in the Broncos side, with Josh Rogers returning to play five eighth whilst Xavier Willison moves from the bench into the starting side. Veteran winger Corey Oates has been dropped with Josiah Karapani taking his place, and Tristan Sailor filling the void on the bench.

The OG QLD Derby has always been a hit, where these two times have faced each other 57 times since 1998 with the Broncos coming out on top with a total of 36 wins and the Cowboys with 20. They previously met in Round 4 at Suncorp Stadium which saw the Broncos come out on top 38-12.

WHO TO WATCH: Future of the Cowboys, Tom Dearden, has scored six tries in 18 appearances this year, whilst also making seven try assists and 10 line break assists. With Townsend Bondi-bound next year, Dearden's playmaking skills will be even more important in the coming seasons for the North QLD side.

Scoring eleven tries in his last ten games, Reece Walsh is electric, also having six try assists, 13 line breaks and 58 tackle breaks. Though is becomes evident in games that despite his speed and ability to just dance around defenders, Walsh does sometimes play too fast for his own good, and he needs to work on his defence which has cost the Brisbane side too many times.

FAVOURITE: Cowboys are favoured to get the win over their "big brother" at home.

MY TIP: My heart wants the Broncos to win, but I think that's asking for too much at this point, so my brain is saying Cowboys. The Cowboys have had an up and down season but have recently found some more consistency and are stringing together more wins than losses. For the Broncos they have just had so many issues across the board this season and although I would like them to turn it around, I think these final rounds will continue to sting. **Cowboys by 12.**

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ST GEORGE ILLAWARRA DRAGONS

CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN BULLDOGS



VENUE	Netstrata Jubilee Stadium (Jubilee Oval)	Gerard SUTTON	REFEREE
LOCATION	Bidjigal Carlton, NSW	Phil HENDERSON, Todd SMITH	TOUCH JUDGES
DAY & TIME	Sat 10 Aug 2024 7:35pm AEST	Liam KENNEDY	NRL BUNKER

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts							Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
22	18	10	-	-	40	Tyrell SLOAN	1	FULLBACK	1	Connor TRACEY		28	16	6	-	-	24
24	16	11	47	2	142	Zac LOMAX	2	WING	2	Jacob KIRAZ		22	19	8	-	-	32
26	17	3	-	-	12	Moses SULI	3	CENTRE	3	Bronson XERRI		23	14	6	-	-	24
23	8	-	-	-	-	Max FEAGAI	4	CENTRE	4	Stephen CRICHTON		23	16	8	-	-	32
23	9	6	-	-	24	Christian TUIPULOTU	5	WING	5	Josh ADDO-CARR		29	10	8	-	-	32
25	19	5	11	-	42	Kyle FLANAGAN	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Matt BURTON		24	18	8	53	3	141
34	17	3	-	-	12	Ben HUNT	7	HALFBACK	7	Toby SEXTON		23	10	-	4	-	8
29	18	-	-	-	-	Francis MOLO	8	FRONT ROW	8	Josh CURRAN		25	19	3	-	-	12
27	18	4	-	-	16	Jacob LIDDLE	9	HOOKER	9	Reed MAHONEY		26	19	2	-	-	8
33	19	3	-	-	12	Jack DE BELIN	10	FRONT ROW	10	Samuel HUGHES		23	19	2	-	-	8
28	13	2	-	-	8	Luciano LEILUA	11	SECOND ROW	11	Viliame KIKAU		29	17	4	-	-	16
26	17	8	-	-	32	Jaydn SU'A	12	SECOND ROW	12	Jacob PRESTON		22	12	5	-	-	20
32	19	1	-	-	4	Tom EISENHUTH	13	LOCK	13	Kurt MANN		31	14	1	-	-	4
27	10	-	-	-	-	Hame SELE	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Bailey HAYWARD		23	14	1	-	-	4
31	17	2	-	-	8	Raymond FAITALA-MARINER	15		15	Lipoi HOPOI		22	5	-	-	-	-
20	2	-	-	-	-	Ryan COUCHMAN	16		16	Kurtis MORRIN		24	17	-	-	-	-
27	16	-	-	-	-	Blake LAWRIE	17		17	Harry HAYES		-	3	-	-	-	-
23	5	3	-	-	12	Mathew FEAGAI	18	RESERVES	19	Jeral SKELTON		25	3	2	-	-	8
27	4	-	-	-	-	Michael MOLO	19		20	Jack UNDERHILL		-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	Lyhkan KING-TOGIA	20		21	Blake WILSON		23	10	4	-	-	16
29	11	3	-	-	12	Jack BIRD	21		22	Poasa FA'AMAUSILI		28	4	-	-	-	-
23	3	-	-	-	-	Connor MUHLEISEN	22		23	Drew HUTCHISON		29	12	-	-	-	-
58	204	-	-	-	-	Shane FLANAGAN		COACHES		Cameron CIRALDO		39	50	-	-	-	-

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	TOTAL	ST GEO ILLA	CANTERBURY	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	45	17	28	0
NETSTRATA	7	3	4	0
GERARD SUTTON	6	3	3	0

LAST FIVE MEETINGS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2021	Round 9	ST GEORGE ILLAWARRA 32-12	Netstrata	7253
2021	Round 14	CANTERBURY 28-6	ANZ	17382
2022	Round 12	ST GEORGE ILLAWARRA 34-24	Belmore	16991
2023	Round 9	CANTERBURY 18-16	WIN	16678
2024	Round 12	CANTERBURY 44-12	Accor	15442

BIGGEST WINS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2018	Round 24	CANTERBURY 38-0	Jubilee Stadium	12436
2019	Round 5	ST GEORGE ILLAWARRA 40-4	Netstrata	13409

STATE OF PLAY: 2024 SEASON

TEAM	POSITION	PLAYED	BYES	W-L-D	FOR	AGAINST
ST GEO ILLA	8TH	19	3	10-9-0	392	482
CANTERBURY	5TH	19	3	11-8-0	409	317

RECENT FORM

TEAM	ROUND 20	RESULT	ROUND 21	RESULT	ROUND 22	RESULT
ST GEO ILLA	BYE	-	PENRITH	L 10-46	MELBOURNE	W 18-16
CANTERBURY	NORTH QLD	L 18-20	BRISBANE	W 41-16	CANBERRA	W 22-18

NEXT FOUR MATCHES

TEAM	ROUND 24	ROUND 25	ROUND 26	ROUND 27
ST GEO ILLA	GOLD COAST (H)	CRONULLA (H)	PARRAMATTA (A)	CANBERRA (H)
CANTERBURY	DOLPHINS (H)	WARRIORS (A)	MANLY (H)	NORTH QLD (H)

THINGS TO KNOW

- The Dragons have won just 5 of their last 21 games when they've started the match in the top 8.
- Bulldogs have won 16 of their last 23 games against the Dragons (since 2012) and 7 of their last 10 games at Netstrata Jubilee Stadium
- Viliame KIKAU has played 149 NRL games
- Zac LOMAX has kicked 299 NRL goals

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MATCH PREVIEW

AJ LUCANTONIO

Suburban sell out as finals race heats up

St George Illawarra fans have voted with their feet and sold out Kogarah Oval ahead of their crunch match with the Canterbury Bulldogs this Saturday in a match that could decide the Dally M Coach of the Year.

After the amazing scenes at Belmore last Sunday, the Dragons faithful have gotten the message and are getting behind their team as they look to break 20,000 at Kogarah for the first time since 2009. The Dragons have been a hit and miss side this season for mine, in one breath they are beating Penrith in Penrith and Melbourne in Melbourne (breaking a 25 year drought to do so). Then in the next, they are conceding 100 points in two games to the Roosters and losing to a Manly side who had no fresh reserves for 50 minutes. Shane Flanagan knows how to fight and put his team in the position to win, against Canterbury, that appears easier said than done.

If there's any team that have been more tenacious than the Dragons, it's the Bulldogs as they have been a top five defensive team in the competition. St George Illawarra will need to create second phase to get past the Dogs and utilise Ben Hunt's kicking game. Canterbury have conceded several tries from kicks this season and with Hunt guiding the show, that's a platform for the Dragons to take advantage of. They will also need to limit the work of the back three coming out of their own end as well as match the intensity of the Bulldogs bench, which has been a distinct point of difference in recent matches. They have named the same side for this clash.

For the Dogs, they are on track in a big way. They also haven't ruled out a top four charge, given the Sharks' injury run at the moment, there's every chance they can sneak in. Cam Ciraldo's culture of defence from Penrith is finally sinking in, the experience of guys like Stephen Crichton among others is guiding a relatively young team all the way to the top. Critta has been the right choice as captain, further driving Ciraldo's standards on the field and you can see the impact he has within the playing group.

To beat the Dragons, sustained possession has proven to be a problem for the Dragons. If we go back to Indigenous Round, the Bulldogs ran away with it in the second half as St George simply had no answer to a wave of Canterbury attack. This time around, Burton and Sexton's halves combination has only gotten stronger and expect the Dogs to be biting with fire. Their pack will need to lift to, with Max King still sidelined, Josh Curran's effort needs to lift despite playing busted these last few weeks. Curran was named again this week in a settled 1-17 lineup.

WHO TO WATCH: All eyes go back onto Tyrell Sloan. After being dropped to the NSW Cup a few weeks ago, Sloan came back with a bang and produced one of his proudest efforts in the top grade. He was everywhere and very physical against Melbourne. The challenge now for Sloan is to do this week in and week out, if he can continue building the platform he set himself last week, then there's no reason for the Dragons not to win.

Canterbury's improved attack has come since Connor Tracey has been given the green light to roam. The steady hands of Tracey at the back has been a joy to watch this season, in sixteen matches he has 6 tries, 10 try-assists and 8 line-break assists. He is going searching for the ball and is a key cog to the Bulldogs attack. So, expect Tracey to deliver on Saturday night.

FAVOURITE: Canterbury have the backing of the bookmakers.

MY TIP: y experience quite like the one we will witness on Saturday night. However, I just have a feeling Canterbury will ambush the living daylights out of the Dragons on their home turf with all to play for. **Bulldogs by 8.**

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DOLPHINS WARRIORS



VENUE	Suncorp Stadium (Lang Park)	Wyatt RAYMOND	REFEREE
LOCATION	Yuggera-Turrbal Milton, QLD	Chris SUTTON, Michael WISE	TOUCH JUDGES
DAY & TIME	Sun 11 Aug 2024 2:00pm AEST	Grant ATKINS	NRL BUNKER

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts							Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
22	11	12	-	-	48	Hamiso TABUAI-FIDOW	1	FULLBACK	1	Charnze NICOLL-KLOKSTAD		29	13	5	-	-	20
28	19	10	72	1	185	Jamayne ISAAKO	2	WING	2	Dallin WATENE-ZELEZNIAK		28	18	11	-	-	44
24	18	6	-	-	24	Jake AVERILLO	3	CENTRE	3	Ali LEIATAUA		21	4	2	-	-	8
24	15	4	-	-	16	Herbie FARNWORTH	4	CENTRE	4	Roger TUIVASA-SHECK		31	15	5	-	-	20
20	18	14	-	-	56	Jack BOSTOCK	5	WING	5	Edward KOSI		25	4	2	-	-	8
30	17	2	1	-	10	Kodi NIKORIMA	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Chanel HARRIS-TAVITA		25	14	4	7	-	30
20	18	2	1	-	10	Isaiya KATOA	7	HALFBACK	7	Shaun JOHNSON		33	13	4	23	-	62
35	18	1	-	-	4	Jesse BROMWICH	8	FRONT ROW	8	Addin FONUA-BLAKE		28	19	8	-	-	32
22	16	4	-	-	16	Max PLATH	9	HOOKER	9	Wayde EGAN		27	17	-	-	-	-
28	5	2	-	-	8	Tevita PANGAI JUNIOR	10	FRONT ROW	10	Mitchell BARNETT		30	19	3	-	-	12
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26	13	1	-	-	4	Connelly LEMUELU	12	SECOND ROW	12	Kurt CAPEWELL		31	14	2	-	-	8
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21	3	1	-	-	4	Oryn KEELEY	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Freddy LUSSICK		23	11	1	-	-	4
34	19	3	-	-	12	Mark NICHOLLS	15		15	Tom ALE		25	13	-	-	-	-
27	17	-	-	-	-	Ray STONE	16		16	Jazz TEVAGA		28	15	1	-	-	4
25	5	1	-	-	4	Sean O'SULLIVAN	17		17	Selumiela HALASIMA		-	4	-	-	-	-
24	1	-	-	-	-	Lachlan HUBNER	18	RESERVES	18	Te Maire MARTIN		28	15	4	-	-	16
23	7	4	-	-	16	Tesi NIU	19		20	Demitric SIFAKULA		20	-	-	-	-	-
30	2	-	-	-	-	Anthony MILFORD	20		21	Taine TUAUPIKI		24	5	1	3	-	10
21	-	-	-	-	-	Mason TEAGUE	21		22	Moala GRAHAM-TAUFA		22	3	-	-	-	-
27	9	4	-	-	16	Trai FULLER	22		23	Bunty AFOA		27	9	-	-	-	-
74	931	-	-	-	-	Wayne BENNETT		COACHES		Andrew WEBSTER		42	50	-	-	-	-

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	TOTAL	DOLPHINS	WARRIORS	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	3	1	2	0
SUNCORP	1	1	0	0
WYATT RAYMOND	0	0	0	0

MATCH HISTORY

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2023	Round 14	WARRIORS 30-8	Go Media	23686
2023	Round 27	DOLPHINS 34-10	Suncorp	35438
2024	Round 12	WARRIORS 24-20	Go Media	23116

BIGGEST WINS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2023	Round 14	WARRIORS 30-8	Go Media	23686
2023	Round 27	DOLPHINS 34-10	Suncorp	35438

STATE OF PLAY: 2024 SEASON

TEAM	POSITION	PLAYED	BYES	W-L-D	FOR	AGAINST
DOLPHINS	9TH	19	3	9-10-0	481	448
WARRIORS	13TH	20	2	8-11-1	422	454

RECENT FORM

TEAM	ROUND 20	RESULT	ROUND 21	RESULT	ROUND 22	RESULT
DOLPHINS	PENRITH	L 26-28	GOLD COAST	L 14-21	SYDNEY	L 34-40
WARRIORS	CANBERRA	L 18-20	W TIGERS	W 28-16	PARRAMATTA	L 20-30

NEXT FOUR MATCHES

TEAM	ROUND 24	ROUND 25	ROUND 26	ROUND 27
DOLPHINS	CANTERBURY (A)	MELBOURNE (A)	BRISBANE (H)	NEWCASTLE (A)
WARRIORS	MANLY (A)	CANTERBURY (H)	CRONULLA (A)	(BYE)

THINGS TO KNOW

- Warriors have 10 wins from their last 31 games in Queensland (Since 2020)
- Warriors have won just 3 of their last 13 games in Australia, with 6 of those games seeing them concede at least 30 points.
- Dallin WATENE-ZELEZNIAK has scored 97 NRL tries
- Hamiso TABUAI-FIDOW has scored 48 NRL tries

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MATCH PREVIEW

Andy P

Sunday afternoon at Suncorp Stadium is the story of two teams barely keeping a grip on finals footy and likely hedging their season on this game. It's easy enough to say every game is important, but both teams have experienced a form slump at the wrong time of the year, leaving both coaches scratching their heads in the last few post-match press conferences.

The Dolphins come off yet another close loss but a loss nonetheless to the Sydney Roosters 34-40. The game played in Perth was one of inconsistency for the Dolphins. Fighting back from 12-0 at one stage to go into the sheds 20-20. The Dolphins led at one stage, looked beat and then charged at the end. The rollercoaster effort from them stems from a competition rate of under 80%, which makes it a steep accent for any team trying to win.

Max Plath was a standout for the Phins, with Jake Averillo and Herbie Farnworth putting their hands up. Plath has shown his skill slipping into the hooking role while Jeremy Marshall-King recovers from a foot injury.

The Dolphins will welcome back the much improved Tevita Pangai Jr from a calf injury, as well as Kodi Nikorima, who caught a virus before the last-round game.

The Warriors will be looking to turn the end of the season around, and the announcement of their champion halfback Shaun Johnson's retirement might be the fire the New Zealanders need to tighten up their game. Their loss at home to the Parramatta Eels 20-30 was too many errors, mistakes on the last play and one one-on-one missed tackles, according to coach Andrew Webster. Webster felt the team was dominant but when they made an error, they lacked resilience in making amends.

Charnze Nicoll-Klokstad was good for a return game from injury, as was Mitchell Barnett and Marata Niukore.

Roger Tuivasa-Sheck will play in the centres, and Ed Kosi will return to the wing.

WHO TO WATCH: With the combination of Isaiya Katoa and Kodi Nikorima in the middle, expect the Warriors line to be engaged. Plus, we will have two of the best attacking kickers in the game go head to head, with Katoa facing off against Johnson. The Warriors' middle was rattled last round after some errors, and the Eels made the most of it. If any quick halves could do the same, it's Nikorima and Katoa. Watch for Hamiso Tabuai-Fidow to storm through any gaps these halves make or leap for a Katoa special off the boot. Max Plath is gaining a reputation as one of the hardest workers on the field. With a try and try assist last game playing hooker, the quick nuggety forward will be a beacon for the other Dolphins forwards to work off. One of those forwards will be an in-form Tevita Pangai Jr, who has come out recently with a point to prove and that's good for Dolphins fans, but it just has to be off the back of the team effort.

Shaun Johnson will go out with a bang; with this being his last year, expect the halfback to put everything on the line to get this team a whiff of the finals footy. Origin is a hell of a drug, and Mich Barrett seemingly has it coursing through his veins still. The inspiring forward continues to turn up for the team no matter what and is leading from the front, beware if he can get the others to join him and lift. Roger Tuivasa-Sheck and Charnze Nicoll-Klokstad will be charging hard from the back. RTS has answered the call; he needs the like of Nicol-Klokstad to be there when he busts through a half tackle to take the ball and get to the finish line. We are going to witness some desperation footy on Sunday. Both teams have a chance to make the finals, but where they have left themselves at this time of year is also close to the edge of season over. Both coaches have said that errors and the attitude towards coming back from them are hurting their consistency. Bennett is always out of words for the media because he's dished them up to his team; it's on them. Webster has challenged his team by saying he is keen to see how they bounce back, and it starts this Sunday for them.

FAVOURITE: Dolphins at home seemed to have tipped the scales in their favour. It's a fair call as they have what I see as their best halves combo as well as Pangai Jr back into the forward pack.

MY TIP: That this will be one of the games of the round. Both teams are eye to eye with their season future, and it will be desperation football. Players like Dallin Watene-Zelezick and the Hammer are the athletes who will thrive in such conditions Dolphins to win by 10 in a high-scoring game. **Dolphins by 10.**

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**NEWCASTLE
KNIGHTS**

**WESTS
TIGERS**



VENUE	McDonald Jones Stadium (Hunter Stadium)	Belinda SHARPE	REFEREE
LOCATION	Awabakal New Lambton, NSW	Jon STONE, Kieren IRONS	TOUCH JUDGES
DAY & TIME	Sun 11 Aug 2024 4:05pm AEST	Gerard SUTTON	NRL BUNKER

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts							Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
26	10	1	23	-	50	Kalyn PONGA	1	FULLBACK	1	Jahrean BULA		22	20	9	-	-	36
-	6	2	-	-	8	Fletcher SHARPE	2	WING	2	Solomon ALAIMALO		28	6	2	-	-	8
33	16	5	10	-	40	Dane GAGAI	3	CENTRE	3	Solomona FAATAAPE		23	13	4	-	-	16
24	17	5	-	-	20	Dylan LUCAS	4	CENTRE	4	Adam DOUEIHI		26	5	1	-	-	4
27	16	6	-	-	24	Greg MARZHEW	5	WING	5	Charlie STAINES		23	18	7	-	-	28
28	10	2	-	-	8	Tyson GAMBLE	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Lachlan GALVIN		19	17	4	-	-	16
24	18	-	-	-	-	Phoenix CROSSLAND	7	HALFBACK	7	Aidan SEZER		33	14	-	12	1	25
28	17	3	-	-	12	Daniel SAIFFITI	8	FRONT ROW	8	Stefano UTOIKAMANU		24	20	3	-	-	12
28	17	-	-	-	-	Jayden BRAILEY	9	HOOKER	9	Apisai KOROISAU		31	18	4	38	-	92
24	17	-	-	-	-	Leo THOMPSON	10	FRONT ROW	10	David KLEMMER		30	16	-	-	-	-
32	14	4	-	-	16	Tyson FRIZELL	11	SECOND ROW	11	Reuben PORTER		27	7	-	-	-	-
23	18	-	-	-	-	Kai PEARCE-PAUL	12	SECOND ROW	12	Samuela FAINU		20	19	4	-	-	16
29	17	3	-	-	12	Adam ELLIOTT	13	LOCK	13	Isaiah PAPALI'I		25	12	4	-	-	16
27	11	-	-	-	-	Jack COGGER	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Tallyn DA SILVA		19	4	1	-	-	4
24	11	1	-	-	4	Mat CROKER	15		15	Alex SEYFARTH		25	19	3	-	-	12
28	15	1	-	-	4	Jack HETHERINGTON	16		16	Fonua POLE		22	19	4	-	-	16
26	12	1	-	-	4	Brodie JONES	17		17	Alex TWAL		28	14	1	-	-	4
22	2	-	-	-	-	Thomas CANT	18	RESERVES	18	Heath MASON		-	5	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	Sebastian SU'A	19		19	Tim JOHANNSSSEN		-	1	-	-	-	-
28	16	3	19	-	50	Jackson HASTINGS	20		20	Josh FELEDY		19	1	-	-	-	-
21	4	1	2	-	8	Will PRYCE	21		21	Declan CASEY		24	1	-	-	-	-
21	4	-	-	-	-	Krystian MAPAPALANGI	22		22	Tanouk SUKKAR		20	-	-	-	-	-
46	115	-	-	-	-	Adam O'BRIEN		COACHES		Benji MARSHALL		39	20	-	-	-	-

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	TOTAL	NEWCASTLE	WESTS TIGERS	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	37	20	17	0
MCD. JONES	20	11	9	0
BELINDA SHARPE	0	0	0	0

LAST FIVE MEETINGS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2022	Round 2	NEWCASTLE 26-4	McD. Jones	23214
2022	Round 21	NEWCASTLE 14-10	Campbelltown	9621
2023	Round 2	NEWCASTLE 14-12	Leichhardt	13214
2023	Round 20	NEWCASTLE 34-18	McD. Jones	18470
2024	Round 10	NEWCASTLE 20-14	Scully	10107

BIGGEST WINS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2001	Round 10	NEWCASTLE 56-6	Marathon	15105
2019	Round 23	WESTS TIGERS 46-4	Campbelltown	11107

STATE OF PLAY: 2024 SEASON

TEAM	POSITION	PLAYED	BYES	W-L-D	FOR	AGAINST
NEWCASTLE	12TH	19	3	8-11-0	332	437
WESTS TIGERS	17TH	20	2	4-16-0	367	614

RECENT FORM

TEAM	ROUND 20	RESULT	ROUND 21	RESULT	ROUND 22	RESULT
NEWCASTLE	BRISBANE	L 14-30	(BYE)		PENRITH	L 14-22
WESTS TIGERS	SOUTHS	L 28-42	WARRIORS	L 16-28	NORTH QLD	L 30-48

NEXT FOUR MATCHES

TEAM	ROUND 24	ROUND 25	ROUND 26	ROUND 27
NEWCASTLE	CRONULLA (A)	SOUTH SYDNEY (A)	GOLD COAST (H)	DOLPHINS (H)
WESTS TIGERS	SOUTH SYDNEY (H)	MANLY (H)	(BYE)	PARRAMATTA (H)

THINGS TO KNOW

- The Tigers have conceded a whopping 388 points in their last 10 games, over the same period they've averaged 22.2 pts per game, well up on the 14.5 ppg they were scoring for their opening 10 games of the year.
- The Tigers have lost their last 16 games played outside of Sydney, by an average margin of 18 points. (and 10 of their last 46 since the start of 2020)
- Kalyn PONGA has scored 49 tries for Newcastle

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MATCH PREVIEW

Rob CROSBY

Knights, Tigers look to have fun in the sun

Attacking football will be the order of the day on Sunday afternoon when the Newcastle Knights host the Wests Tigers in a contest of contrasting desperation.

Facing an uphill battle as the longest shot remaining in the hunt to play finals football, the Newcastle Knights will be hoping the rare chance to play at home during the day brings out their best.

Coach Adam O'Brien has recalled Brodie Jones in the only change from the side that went down 22-14 to the Panthers last Sunday, however Sebastian Su'a has been included in the extended squad for the first time in a sign the highly-rated youngster could come into calculations for a debut.

The Knights have experienced a disappointing decline in their attack over the past year, going from averaging 26 points to a league-worst 17 points per game, in part due to the lack of consistency in key spine positions with five different halves combinations and captain Kalyn Ponga appearing in ten matches.

Sunday will be only the third time the Knights have played at home during daylight hours this year; the side has thrived over the past 18 months with eight wins from ten day matches.

Languishing at the bottom of the ladder, four points adrift of their closest rivals, the Wests Tigers will need to win on Sunday afternoon to stave off a third straight wooden spoon.

Demonstrating attacking flair and defensive frailty during last Thursday's 48-30 defeat to the Cowboys at home, coach Benji Marshall has recalled Adam Douiehi in place of suspended centre Justin Olam, while Aidan Sezer and Fonua Pole also come back into the squad.

Holding a fair record in Newcastle with nine wins from 20 visits over the past quarter of a century, the Tigers have managed just one win away from home this season.

The Tigers have used 36 players in the league this season – the most of any club in the league – with only a quarter of their personnel appearing in over 75% of games and a third playing five games or fewer.

WHO TO WATCH: There are few sights as electrifying in rugby league as Kalyn Ponga at his best while the sun shines over McDonald Jones Stadium. Winning eight out of nine matches in daytime conditions after reverting to fullback last season, the reigning Dally M medallist has had limited opportunities to replicate that form with one try and four assist in ten matches throughout 2024. With the Knights needing to win all their remaining games to have any chance of making the finals, the hope of every Novocastrian will live or die on Ponga adding to his highlight reel on Sunday afternoon.

The present has been tough for the Wests Tigers, but in Lachlan Galvin the future appears bright. Enjoying a rapid rise to announce himself among the best young talents in the game, the 19-year-old five-eighth has produced scintillating moments of attack with ten try assists to stand as the best of the 11 debutants used by the joint venture in first grade this season. Averaging over 120 running metres in 17 games as a rookie, look for Galvin to thrive in daytime conditions as the Tigers look to claim their first win in the Hunter in three years.

FAVOURITE: The Knights are expected to extend their record over the Wests Tigers after winning seven out of nine meetings during O'Brien's tenure.

MY TIP: The Newcastle faithful have turned up each week in droves waiting for their team to recapture the heights of last season. If they can't lift on Sunday, it's never going to happen for them in 2024. **Knights by 14.**

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LEAGUES CLUBS AUSTRALIA RON MASSEY CUP ROUND 19

PENRITH BROTHERS V MOUNTIES RLFC Sat August 10 2024, 3:00pm at Parker Street Oval, Penrith / Dharug
BROTHERS: 1. Joshua Peacock 3. Blake Clayton 4. Tyrell Neiufi 5. Michael Pokia 6. Warren Smith 7. Alex Seve 8. Brandon Nasio 9. Lufusi Vea Tapaoutai 10. Arthur Melheam 11. Tangata Utiokamau 12. Ryan Eisenhuth 13. Jordan Main 14. Soakimi Fakaua 15. Valance Harris 18. Logan Muir 20. Frank Toomalatai 22. Peni Misinale 23. Shaun Fitzgerald
MOUNTIES: 1. Abiarthur Toi Tuilaepa 2. John Tohi 3. Roman Ioelu 4. Douglas Levi 5. Livi Saukuru 6. Brad Abbey 7. Blake Goodman 8. Ryan Jeffery 9. Joey Tramontana 10. Ben Seufale 11. Kenny Soumpolphakdy 12. Samuel Kimi-Ioane 13. Shalom O'Ofou 14. David Tui 15. Pio Sokobalavu 16. Haimona Hiroti 17. Matthew Lewin 18. Kyle Stone
 Referee: Micheal Ford; Sideline Officials: Louis Matheson, Martin Jones

ST MARYS V CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN BULLDOGS Sat August 10 2024, 3:00pm at St Marys Leagues Stadium, St Marys / Dharug
ST MARYS: 1. Masi Paulo Fidow 2. Jamin Williams 3. Semisi Kioa 4. Christian Crichton 5. Logan Dickson 6. Anthony Layoun 7. Zac Greene 8. Joe Vaegaau 9. Reece Goldsmith 10. Mitchell Butfield 11. Zac Duclos 12. Anton Iaria 13. Jake Rafferty-Butfield 14. Fred Pupu 15. Siotame Hansen 17. Adam Runchel 22. Quinn Ma'aelopa
CANTERBURY: 1. Braye Porter 2. Ratu Rinakama 3. Trentham Petersen 4. Daniel Corcoran 5. Blake Forder 6. Sione Moala 7. Bronson Reuben 8. Bayley Cox 9. Zaidas Muagututia 10. Sosefo Finau 11. Lleyton Borg 12. Josh Maree 13. Jirah Momoisea 14. Mitchell Rogers 15. Sosaia Alatini 16. Oliva Smith 24. Isaac Matalavea-Booth 21. Sione Siulua
 Referee: Cameron Turner; Sideline Officials: Nathan Loveday, Charlie Suters

WENTWORTHVILLE MAGPIES V HILLS BULLS Sat August 10 2024, 4:00pm at Ringrose Park, Wentworthville / Boolbainora
WENTWORTHVILLE: 1. Austin Quast 2. Jordan Hill 3. Josh Minhinnick 4. Chris Tupou 5. Daniel Lotu 6. Liam O'Brien 7. Kruz Niutlil-Schmidt 8. Adam Spicer 10. Bill Salameh 11. Kyle Cassel 12. Felix Niutlil-Schmidt 13. Blake Cook 15. George Sukanavalu 16. Mose Feilo 19. Robbie Graham 21. Denzal Tonise 23. Beni Valu
HILLS: 1. Bobby Miller 2. Muong Dut 3. Joseph Jaber 4. Jason Gillard 6. Riley Travers 7. Harradyn Wilson 8. Michael Fenn 9. Kody Papa 11. Damon Smith 12. Te Oranga-Jade Haika 13. Che Te Rangi 14. Sunia Naruma 15. Markkuz Ofanoa 16. Alex Fonoti 17. Matthew Newlyn 19. Jordan Puleitu 21. Mitch Gardiner
 Referee: Tom Stindl; Sideline Officials: Robert Morey, Jack Bird

GLEBE DIRTY REDS V RYDE-EASTWOOD HAWKS Sun August 11 2024, 1:00pm at Wentworth Park, Glebe / Gadigal
GLEBE: 1. Harry Mckean 2. David Nofoluma 3. Iverson Fuatimau 4. Vito Tevaga 5. Alex Young 6. Joseph Whitikama Temara Taipari 7. Jade Anderson 8. Tayson Fakaosi 9. Craig Garvey 10. Callum Ellis 11. Corey Ross 12. Meli Nasau 13. Lomi Saukuru 14. Adam Fearnley 15. Daniel Arahu 16. Mavoni Tuifua 24. Michael Coleman
RYDE-EASTWOOD: Team list not yet announced.
 Referee: Dillian Wells; Sideline Officials: Cameron Turner, Liam Nicholls

ROUND 18 RESULTS

MOUNTIES (34) Tries: Brad Abbey, John Tohi, Roman Ioelu, Ryan Jeffery, Ben Seufale, Abiarthur Toi Tuilaepa; Goals: Roman Ioelu 5/7 **DEF HILLS DISTRICT BULLS (24)** Tries: Joseph Jaber 2, Riley Travers, Jason Gillard; Goals: Harradyn Wilson 4/4 at **Aubrey Keech Reserve, Hinchinbrook / Dharawal**
CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN BULLDOGS (52) Tries: Sosefo Finau 2, Bronson Reuben 2, Isaac Matalavea-Booth, Penioni Tagituimua, Zaidas Muagututia, Daniel Corcoran, Jope Rauqe; Goals: Trentham Petersen 8/9 **DEF GLEBE DIRTY REDS (8)** Tries: David Nofoluma, Meli Nasau at **Hammondville Oval, Moorebank / Dharawal**
ST. MARY'S SAINTS (44) Tries: Jamin Williams 2, Reece Goldsmith, Christian Crichton, Semisi Kioa, Joe Vaegaau, Zac Greene, Logan Dickson; Goals: Zac Greene 6/9 **DEF BROTHERS PENRITH (12)** Tries: Michael Pokia, Brandon Nasio; Goals: Warren Smith 2/2 at **Parker Street Oval, Penrith / Dharug**
WENTWORTHVILLE MAGPIES (28) Tries: Jordan Hill 2, Joshua Minhinnick, Denzal Tonise, Adam Spicer; Goals: Liam O'Brien 4/5 **DEF RYDE EASTWOOD HAWKS (18)** Tries: Hymel Hunt 2, Curtis Wilson, Josh Finau; Goals: Zane Camroux 1/4 at **TG Millner Field, Marsfield / Wallumettagal**

ROUND 18 LADDER	P	W	L	D	B	F	A	Diff	Pts
1. ST MARYS	16	14	2	0	2	480	287	193	32
2. MOUNTIES RLFC	16	9	6	1	2	350	362	-12	23
3. WENTWORTHVILLE MAGPIES	16	9	7	0	2	422	283	139	22
4. GLEBE DIRTY REDS	16	9	7	0	2	459	392	67	22
5. RYDE-EASTWOOD HAWKS	16	7	8	1	2	342	362	-20	19
6. PENRITH BROTHERS	16	6	9	1	2	301	433	-132	17
7. CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN BULLDOGS	16	5	10	1	2	342	438	-96	15
8. HILLS BULLS	16	3	13	0	2	310	449	-139	10

SYDNEY SHIELD ROUND 19

ST MARYS V CABRAMATTA TWO BLUES Sat August 10 2024, 1:00pm at St Marys Leagues Stadium, St Marys / Dharug
ST MARYS: 1. Sadee Sub Laban 2. Orville Finau 3. William Fakatoumahi 4. Kaleb Farr 5. Tim Carson 6. Todd Sapienza 7. Joseph Nohra 8. Isaiah Scanlan 9. Fletcher Haycock 11. Leroy Magalogo 12. Mathew Faauila 13. Filo Tuimauagula 14. Cooper Egan 16. Mccann Livingston 17. Henry Tuiafiso 18. Jamin Williams 20. Lotutalosaga Lavilavi 22. Immanuel Telea
CABRAMATTA: 1. Nicholas Pantelis 2. Aisake Sadranu 3. Asukulu Baruanu 4. Billy Karikari 5. Jack Clutterbuck 6. Darcy Brettle 7. Damien Nati 8. Dontaye Pritchard 9. Ali Hammoud 10. Dean Barnes 11. James Khoo 12. Richard Latu 13. Noah Tootoa 14. Antonios Zacharia 15. Massimo Mari 16. Quincy Kalo Kalo 17. Peter Assaf
 Referee: Nathan Loveday; Sideline Officials: Ben Teague, Charlie Suters

MOOREBANK RAMS V PENRITH BROTHERS Sat August 10 2024, 4:30pm at Hammondville Oval, Moorebank / Dharawal
MOOREBANK: 1. Joel Shields 2. Ethan Strickland 3. Daniel Mohammed 4. Bryan Jorgensen 5. Kobi Elguindy 6. Vincent Valentineti 7. Mitchell Rogers 8. Nathan Vaeluaga 9. Jordan McGrath 10. David Leota 11. Tyler Kakuleni 12. Lachlan Mifsud 13. Bailey Myers 14. Joshua Breen 15. Abdallah El Ters 16. David Poulivaati 17. Elvis John Oloaga 18. Joshua Keyes
BROTHERS: 1. Joseph Malula Buhendwa 2. Wayne Baxter 4. Mitchell Owen 5. Jason Jana 7. Dean Kammel 8. Patrick Hinder 9. Trent Borthwick 10. Tuni Jr Tauli 11. Benjamin Dooley 12. Lachlan Whitehouse 13. Liam Harris 14. Liam Aarons 15. Benjamin Williamson 16. Mitchell Smith 17. Eddie Ene 18. Byron Donovan 19. Tyrann Pettit-Young 20. Kytak Chan 21. Siao Sisifa 22. Donovan Boney
 Referee: Blake Williams; Sideline Officials: Ethan Murray, Joel Pitscheider

GLEBE DIRTY REDS V WENTWORTHVILLE UNITED Sun August 11 2024, 11:00am at Wentworth Park, Glebe / Gadigal
GLEBE: 1. Emery Jolliffe 2. Saiyasi Ikanidrodoro 3. Temesia Jilivecevece 4. Dillion Adrole 5. Natrell Tawa 6. Jacob Tautaiolefua 7. Braith Alexander 8. Casey Morgan 9. Sasha Popovic 10. Lleyton Finau 11. David Nurthen 12. Dean Kulevski 15. Tyler Essex 16. Hussein Anani 17. Byron Strickland 18. Shaiquan Terekia
WENTY UNITED: 1. Dermot McKeever King 2. Josh Delailoa 3. Emosi Alamoti 4. Elias Abou-Mrad 5. Isikeli Laqekoro 6. Jaydn Field 7. Dylan White 8. Will Epere 9. Ayden Carling 10. Luke Puru 11. Michael Geddes 12. Mose Feilo 13. Joshua Hey 14. Deon Iro 15. Jai Langlands Doi 16. Leo Nasio 17. Koevy Lemusu 18. Zachary Coom
 Referee: Billy Greatbach; Sideline Officials: Micheal Ford, Josh Woods

HILLS BULLS V MOUNTIES RLFC Sun August 11 2024, 1:00pm at Crestwood Oval, Baulkham Hills / Bediagal
HILLS: 1. Blake Pasfield 2. Cameron Hall 3. Michael White 4. Lewis Habkook 5. Maile Li 6. Oskar Warner 7. Jake Forbes 8. Thomas Epere 9. Tom Watson 10. Luke Sherry 11. Jayden Griffin 13. Braydon Sherry 16. Isaac Gorman 19. Edmond Matta 20. Jared Roberts 21. Mitchell Gardiner
MOUNTIES: 1. Aykan Bosnali 2. Isaac Williams 3. Frank Kuresa 4. Nathan Davis 5. Jahoiyakira Afoa 6. Jake Stig 7. Keahlan Bray 8. Mohamed El Masri 9. Filemu Logai-Lusiano 10. Anson Naati 11. Kaylem Falaniko 12. Jaydon Turara 13. Isaac Chapman 14. Tauinaola Samu 15. Cameron Davis 16. Mosese Pope 17. Freddy Kini 18. Jhy Schreiber-Karam
 Referee: Louis Matheson; Sideline Officials: Adam Sirianni, Joel Pitscheider

RYDE-EASTWOOD HAWKS V MANLY LEAGUES Sun August 11 2024, 3:00pm at TG Millner Field, Marsfield / Wallumettagal
RYDE-EASTWOOD: Team list not yet announced. **MANLY:** 1. Jake Smith 2. Lachlan Burt 3. Jerome Van Der Heide 4. Gabe Stuart 5. Munga Baruanu 6. Callum Dowell 7. Leroy Murray 8. Taulaunioutagaloga Mariota 9. TJ Herring 10. Nicholas Billsborough 11. Jake Watmough 12. Lachlan Armstrong 13. Campbell Munn 14. Wiremu Tibbitt 15. Cruz Smith 16. Marco Severino 17. Fakavale Tonga
 Referee: Brandon Mani; Sideline Officials: Tom Cambourn, Tom Stind

ROUND 18 RESULTS

MOUNTIES (36) Tries: Cameron Davis 3, Livi Saukuru, Jahoiyakim Afoa, Jake Stig, Jaydon Turara; Goals: Kaylem Falaniko 3/4, Jahoiyakim Afoa 1/3 **DEF CABRAMATTA TWO BLUES (30)** Tries: Quincy Kalo Kalo, Kakapuna Fotu, Patrick Spence, Darcy Brettle, William Lewis; Goals: Damian Nati 5/5 at **Aubrey Keech Reserve, Hinchinbrook / Dharawal**
ST. MARY'S SAINTS (50) Tries: Mason Iaria 2, Matthew Faauila, Leroy Magalogo, Sadee Sub Laban, Joseph Nohra, Lotutalosaga Lavilavi, Isaiah Scanlan, Mccann Livingston; Goals: Joseph Nohra 7/9 **DEF MOOREBANK RAMS (22)** Tries: David Leota, Kobi Elguindy, Nathan Vaeluaga, Ethan Strickland; Goals: Vincent Valentineti 3/4 at **St Marys Leagues Stadium, St Marys / Dharug**
WENTWORTHVILLE UNITED (46) Tries: Josh Delailoa 3, Isikeli Laqekoro 2, Emosi Alamoti, Will Epere, Elias Abou-Mrad; Goals: Dylan White 7/8 **DEF HILLS DISTRICT BULLS (14)** Tries: Mitch Gardiner, Oskar Warner, Edmond Matta; Goals: Jayden Griffin 1/3 at **Ringrose Park, Wentworthville / Boolbainora**
MANLY LEAGUES CLUB (24) Tries: Lachlan Burt 3, Jake Watmough; Goals: Lachlan Burt 4/5 **DEF BROTHERS PENRITH (16)** Tries: Mitchell Owen 2, Tyrann Pettit-Young; Goals: Siao Sisifa 2/2 at **Parker Street Oval, Penrith / Dharug**
RYDE-EASTWOOD HAWKS (20) Tries: Jake Kusto, Ryan Garner, Mark Anthony Merhi; Goals: Jacob Wright 4/4 **DREW WITH GLEBE DIRTY REDS (20)** Tries: Braith Alexander, Casey Morgan, Tyler Essex; Goals: Jacob Tautaiolefua 4/4 at **TG Millner Field, Marsfield / Wallumettagal**

ROUND 18 LADDER	P	W	L	D	B	F	A	Diff	Pts
1. WENTWORTHVILLE UNITED	16	12	3	1	2	462	295	167	29
2. RYDE-EASTWOOD HAWKS	16	9	5	2	2	502	347	155	24
3. MOUNTIES RLFC	16	10	6	0	2	458	355	103	24
4. GLEBE DIRTY REDS	16	8	7	1	2	483	396	87	21
5. ST MARYS	16	8	7	1	2	487	433	54	21
6. PENRITH BROTHERS	16	7	8	1	2	365	370	-5	19
7. MANLY LEAGUES	16	7	9	0	2	372	438	-66	18
8. CABRAMATTA TWO BLUES	16	6	9	1	2	365	444	-79	17
9. HILLS BULLS	16	6	9	1	2	390	548	-158	17
10. MOOREBANK RAMS	16	3	13	0	2	330	588	-258	10

WESTERN CLYDESDALES V BRISBANE TIGERS

Sun 11 Aug 3:00PM at Clive Berghofer Stadium, Toowoomba / Giabal
Referee: Ben Watts; Sideline Officials: Matt Colclough, Steve Kanowski

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts	WESTERN	BRISBANE	Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
-	12	5	-	-	20	Kaden BUHSE 1	1 Tony THOMPSON	-	6	1	-	-	4
-	17	7	-	-	28	Levi HELLEUR-ATIGA 2	2 Coby WILLIAMSON	-	15	12	-	-	48
-	14	10	37	-	114	Corey FENNING 3	3 TBC	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	17	4	-	-	16	Esom IOKA 4	4 Marion SEVE	29	7	2	-	-	8
-	4	-	-	-	-	Jerome TAULAGA 5	5 Ronald PHILLITOGA	-	8	10	-	-	40
-	13	2	3	-	14	Luke ROULAND 6	6 Ryley JACKS	32	17	2	1	-	10
-	2	-	-	-	-	Ketesemane POULI 7	7 Keagan RUSSELL-SMITH	21	9	-	3	-	6
25	14	-	-	-	-	Emry PERE 8	8 Jontay-Junior BETHAM-MISA	-	15	1	-	-	4
-	15	2	-	-	8	Drew TIMMS 9	9 Tristan HOPE	27	13	4	28	-	72
-	15	-	-	-	-	Neihana OLDDHAM 10	10 Tristan POWELL	23	13	2	-	-	8
-	9	2	-	-	8	Tahj AMONE 11	11 Asher O'DONNELL	-	9	2	-	-	8
26	17	-	-	-	-	Blake LENEHAN 12	12 Thomas RAFTER	27	13	1	-	-	4
-	17	1	-	-	4	Takai MOKOHAR 13	13 Leivaha PULU	34	17	2	-	-	8
-	9	1	-	-	4	Kai DUGGAN 14	14 Noah NATAPU	-	1	-	-	-	-
27	11	-	-	-	-	Todd WHITE 15	15 Tom McGRATH	24	9	3	-	-	12
-	3	-	-	-	-	Joshua KEOLLER 16	16 Moses NOOVAO-McGREAL	27	9	-	-	-	-
-	1	-	-	-	-	Darcy CARSWELL 17	17 Chris McQUEEN	37	16	1	-	-	4
-	1	-	-	-	-	Jiale LITIDAMU 18	18 Nathan KEGG-KING	-	3	-	-	-	-
57	37	-	-	-	-	Jason ALCHIN	Matt CHURCH	-	40	-	-	-	-

HEAD TO HEAD

Last met: 2024 R4 - Brisbane 48-0 at Totally Workwear

	TOTAL	WESTERN	BRISBANE	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	3	0	3	0
SPORTS GROUND	0	0	0	0

ROUND 20 RESULTS

NORTHERN 46 (B. Burns 2, T. Chester 2, M. Bitungane, T. Casey-Douglas, R. Derby, W. Partridge tries; T. Duffy 7 goals) **DEFEATED WESTERN 0** at **Barlow Park**. Date: Sat, 3rd August. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Northern 40-0. Penalties: Western 5-4. Referee: Matt Gannon. Northern: Chester, Derby, Partridge, Burns, Taumoepeau; Clifford, Duffy; Bitungane, Schneider (C), Lui-Toso, Moore, Aukafolau, Child. Int: Ostwald, Casey-Douglas, Kira, Ta'ufo'ou. Western: Buhse, Helleur-atiga, Fenning, Ioka, Taulaga; Rouland, Duggan; Pere (C), Timms, Lenehan, Mafi, Keoller, Mokohar. Int: Pouli, White, Oldham, Teauapa.

TWEED 26 (M. Donovan 2, J. Alick, T. Francis, C. Gordon tries; L. McGrady 3 goals) **DEFEATED NORTHS 22** (M. Kaho 2, J. Gagan, J. Simbiken tries; A. Niko 3 goals) at **Piggabeen Sports Complex**. Date: Sat, 3rd August. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Tweed 20-10. Penalties: Tweed 8-6. Referee: Taylor Worth. Tweed: McGrady (C), Francis, Donovan, Gordon, Ngamanu; Steadman, Weaver; Owen, Sikahela, Palasia, Alick, McCudden, Croker. Int: Veve, Lioloveve, Bryant, Fa'asumaleaui. Norths: Lipp, Niko, Haydon, Gagan, Kaho; Wright, Ahearn; Jenkins, Moseley (C), Fai, Simbiken, Elliott, Teague. Int: McGuire, Flack, Johnson, Duffy.

CENTRAL 48 (L. Doyle 2, T. Farr 2, K. Farr, Z. John, A. Milford, A. Teroi tries; T. Browne 5, B. Moore 3 goals) **DEFEATED WYNNUM 12** (B. Frei, J. Stuckey tries; B. Donovan 2 goals) at **Rugby Park Rockhampton**. Date: Sat, 3rd August. Kickoff: 4:00 PM. Halftime: Central QLD 24-0. Penalties: Central QLD 8-6. Referee: Ben Watts. Central: Moore, Farr, Marshall, Farr, Lee; Milford, Madden; Szeapanowski, Browne, Jackson, Doyle, John, Hubner. Int: Moore, Donoghoe, Teroi, Waqa. Wynnum: Milson, Hopoate, Talita, Frain, Schwalger; Broadhurst, Donovan; Page-Wilson, Paix, Saitaua, Frei (C), Gale, Hetherington. Int: Pascoe, Farmer, Stuckey, Malt.

REDCLIFFE 46 (W. Dobson 2, J. Boland, T. Fuller, S. Pitama, L. Siegwalt, V. Te Whare, B. Woolf tries; L. Siegwalt 6, J. James goals) **DEFEATED PNG 14** (B. Kelly, B. Nima, S. Wane tries; C. Lama goal) at **Kayo Stadium**. Date: Sat, 3rd August. Kickoff: 5:00 PM. Halftime: Redcliffe 22-0. Penalties: Redcliffe 6-3. Referee: Jordan Morel. Redcliffe: Fuller, Dobson, Numambo, Te Whare, Lisala; Siegwalt, James; Lolesio, Pitama, Frei, Tawha, Purcell, Bailey (C). Int: Woolf, Boland, Lewis, Graham. PNG: Wabo, Nima, Lama, Max, Wane; Lau, Komati; Richard, Rimbu, Rop, Tau-Loi, Kelly, Alu (C). Int: Morea, Worot, Pat, Talin.

TOWNSVILLE 40 (G. Shibasaki 2, N. Brown, D. Dotoi, N. Halalilo, E. Hampson, K. Laybutt tries; L. Tovo 6 goals) **DEFEATED SOUTHS LOGAN 22** (T. Coburn, K. Paraiia, R. Robinson, T. Sailor tries; B. Finnegan 3 goals) at **Jack Manski Oval**. Date: Sat, 3rd August. Kickoff: 5:00 PM. Halftime: Townsville 22-4. Penalties: Souths Logan 7-6. Referee: Josh Eaton. Townsville: Tovo, Faifai Loa, Baker, Shibasaki, Dotoi; Bourke, Biondi-Odo; Brown, Hodges, Tamou, Halalilo, Hampson, Laybutt (C). Int: Thorburn, Holani, Maloney, Tonga. Souths Logan: Sailor, Vaihu, Quai-Ward, Tempest, Smith; Robinson, Finnegan; Petterson-Robati, Smoothy, Semu, Tararo, Coburn, Ferguson (C). Int: Eggerling, Paraiia, Walters, Sefo.

BRISBANE 24 (K. Bradley, T. McGrath, R. Phillipota, C. Williamson tries; K. Russell-Smith 3, R. Jacks goals) **DEFEATED BURLEIGH 23** (S. Coster 2, T. Mapapalangi, H. Schwass tries; G. Hamilton 3 goals; G. Hamilton field goal) at **Totally Workwear Stadium**. Date: Sun, 4th August. Kickoff: 2:10 PM. Halftime: Brisbane 16-10. Penalties: Brisbane 11-8. Referee: Tyson Brough. Brisbane: Thompson, Williamson, Bradley, Seve, Phillipota; Jacks (C), Russell-Smith; Betham-Misa, Hope, Powell, O'Donnell, Rafter, Pulu. Int: Natapu, McGrath, Noovao-McGreal. Burleigh: O'Meley, Leo, O'Neill, Pere, Watson; Gardiner, Hamilton; Mapapalangi, Politoni, Koellner, Patston, Schwass, Coster. Int: Geyer, Murray, Duffy, Innes.

IPSWICH 30 (B. Clarke, K. Foxwell, A. Hau, D. Ngatuere-Wroe, B. Roberts tries; B. Roberts 5 goals) **DEFEATED MACKAY 12** (X. Kerrisk, W. Lauenstein tries; B. Gill 2 goals) at **North Ipswich Reserve**. Date: Sun, 4th August. Kickoff: 2:10 PM. Halftime: Ipswich 16-8. Penalties: Mackay 10-9. Referee: Nick Pelgrave. Ipswich: De Groot, Maumalo, Macumbo, Maddaford, Roberts; Ngatuere-Wroe, Foxwell; Stimson, Jacks (C), Greinke, Foran, Nikotemo, Hau. Int: Clarke, Inoke, Kali, Penquitt. Mackay: Burns, Anderson, Smith, Valemei, Lauenstein; Gill, Hansen; Matautia, Kerrisk, Puaavase, Shibasaki, Roycroft (C), Radel. Int: Fogarty, Bone, Mullany, Bella.

ROUND 20 LADDER

	P	W	L	D	B	F	A	Diff	Pts
1. NORTHERN PRIDE	18	15	3	0	2	588	266	322	34
2. NORTHS DEVILS	17	12	5	0	3	543	298	245	30
3. SUNSHINE COAST FALCONS	17	11	6	0	3	468	303	165	28
4. REDCLIFFE DOLPHINS	18	11	7	0	2	524	380	144	26
5. BURLEIGH BEARS	18	10	7	1	2	498	338	160	25
6. CENTRAL QUEENSLAND CAPRAS	18	9	7	2	2	416	388	28	24
7. PNG HUNTERS	17	9	8	0	3	468	529	-61	24
8. WYNNUM MANLY SEAGULLS	17	8	8	1	3	396	448	-52	23
9. TOWNSVILLE BLACKHAWKS	19	10	8	1	1	406	464	-58	23
10. TWEED SEAGULLS	18	8	10	0	2	432	491	-59	20
11. SOUTHS LOGAN MAGPIES	18	8	10	0	2	427	542	-115	20
12. BRISBANE TIGERS	17	6	10	1	3	372	440	-68	19
13. MACKAY CUTTERS	18	7	11	0	2	392	479	-87	18
14. IPSWICH JETS	17	4	13	0	3	326	496	-170	14
15. WESTERN CLYDESDALES	17	1	16	0	3	280	674	-394	8

MOST TRIES

Rank	Player	Team	P	T
1	Manase Kaho	Norths	17	18
2	Jordan Lipp	Norths	17	17
3	Will Partridge	Northern	13	13
=4	Brenton Baira	Redcliffe	10	12
=4	Alex Max	PNG	13	12
=4	Brayden McGrady	Tweed	13	12
=4	Coby Williamson	Brisbane	15	12

MOST GOALS

Rank	Player	Team	P	G/A	%
1	Thomas Duffy	Northern	18	79 / 110	72%
2	Cody Hunter	Sunshine Coast	17	72 / 90	80%
3	Lindon McGrady	Tweed	18	55 / 83	66%
4	Bryce Donovan	Wynnum	17	53 / 67	79%
5	Riley Dean	Mackay	16	51 / 67	76%
6	Josh Rogers	Burleigh	12	47 / 63	75%
7	Trey Browne	Central	17	44 / 59	75%
8	Gerome Burns	Norths	11	43 / 61	70%
=9	Corey Fenning	Western	14	37 / 46	80%
=9	Jamie Mavoko	PNG	11	37 / 51	73%

MOST POINTS

Rank	Player	Team	P	T	G	FG	Pts
1	Thomas Duffy	Northern	18	4	79	-	174
2	Cody Hunter	Sunshine Coast	17	3	72	-	156
3	Lindon McGrady	Tweed	18	4	55	-	126
=4	Josh Rogers	Burleigh	12	6	47	-	118
=4	Riley Dean	Mackay	16	4	51	-	118
=4	Bryce Donovan	Wynnum	17	3	53	-	118
7	Gerome Burns	Norths	11	7	43	1	115
8	Corey Fenning	Western	14	10	37	-	114
9	Brenton Baira	Redcliffe	10	12	31	-	110
10	Trey Browne	Central	17	3	44	-	100

SUPER LEAGUE ROUND 20 WRAP *with JUSTIN DAVIES*

LEOPARDS GET TOUGH WIN AGAINST CASTLEFORD TIGERS AT THE JUNGLE

Leigh Leopards won 20-10 against Castleford Tigers down Mend-A-Hose Jungle on Thursday night.

The Leopards have won four on the bounce and maintain some hope of making a finals appearance in 2024. Castleford Tigers were the first on the board. Youngster Fletcher Rooney finished off the backline move to make it 4-0. Leigh responded with a score of their own. Zak Hardaker sliced through the defense and slammed it down. The visitors kept their pace up with a try from a kick. It bent into the path of Josh Charnley who dived over for 8-4.

They started the second half with a bang through Edwin Ipape. He was there to catch a rebound and streaked away. Lam put the icing on the cake with a superb pass. He unfurled the pass which found Charnley who went over for his second four-pointer. Tigers did get one back before full-time. Joe Westerman bounced off a few tacklers to touch down for 20-10.

CASTLEFORD	10	-	20	LEIGH
Fletcher ROONEY		T	2	Josh CHARNLEY
Joe WESTERMAN				Zak HARDAKER
				Edwin IPAPE
Rowan MILNES	1/2	G	2/3	Zak HARDAKER
			0/2	Darnell McINTOSH
Sylvester NAMO		BIN		
TEAMSHEETS				
Tex HOY	34	FB	3	Zak HARDAKER
Fletcher ROONEY	31	W	34	Darnell McINTOSH
Corey HALL	35	C	24	Umyla HANLEY
Alex MELLOR	12	C	4	Ricky LEUTELE
Innes SENIOR	5	W	5	Josh CHARNLEY
Rowan MILNES	16	FE	12	Jack HUGHES
Jacob MILLER	7	HB	7	Lachlan LAM
Muizz MUSTAPHA	20	FR	17	Owen TROUT
George LAWLER	10	HK	9	Edwin IPAPE
Joe WESTERMAN (c)	13	FR	10	Robbie MULHERN
Elie EL-ZAKHEM	11	2R	11	Kai O'DONNELL
Luis JOHNSON	30	2R	16	Frankie HALTON
George HILL	29	L	13	John ASIATA (c)
Liam WATTS	8	B	36	Daniel NORMAN
Sylvester NAMO	21	B	33	Brad DWYER
Cain ROBB	24	B	35	Aaron PENE
Daniel HINDMARSH	38	B	30	Louis BROGAN
Craig LINGARD		HC		Adrian LAM

Date: Thu, 1st August. Kickoff: 8:00 PM. Halftime: Leigh 8-4.
Penalties: Leigh 6-5. Referee: Marcus Griffiths. Crowd: not supplied

ROBINS SOAR TO TOP OF THE TABLE AGAINST WOLVES AT HALLIWELL JONES STADIUM

Hull KR were 22-4 winners against Warrington Wolves in their game at Halliwell Jones Stadium on Friday night.

The Robins glide to the top of the Super League ladder after downing fellow challenger Warrington in the lone Friday fixture. They crashed over the line early in the contest. It was a short pass to Sauaso Sue who plunged over the white stripe. Hull KR doubled their delight from a kick. It was put high and Tyrone May was able to go highest to touch down for 10-0. Wolves tried to get themselves back in the contest. George Williams sliced through and tried to position a kick to the wing but it was easily taken by May. Josh Thewlis thought he had pegged one back for Wolves after he scooped up an error to stride away but the video referee ruled a double knock on.

The Wolves did get on the board after the break. Matt Dufty floated a pass to Matty Ashton who dived over. Hull KR got rewarded from the boot again. Mikey Lewis put up the kick and the bat back fell to the half who picked up the scraps. Peta Hiku stamped the win with Hull KR's four try of the night. The veteran cut through to slam down the ball and make it 22-4.

WARRINGTON	4	-	22	HULL KR
Matthew ASHTON		T		Peta HIKU
				Mikey LEWIS
				Tyrone MAY
				Sauaso SUE
Josh THEWLIS	0/1	G	2/2	Jez LITTEN
			1/2	Mikey LEWIS

WARRIORS BOUNCE BACK WITH GRINDING WIN AT THE BRICK COMMUNITY STADIUM

Wigan Warriors won 28-14 against Huddersfield Giants down at the Brick Community Stadium on Thursday night.

The Warriors move back to the top of the Super League ladder after their win before the weekend matches. Huddersfield Giants struck first in the contest. It was juggling effort near the sideline which saw former Warrior Jake Bibby go over. The Giants added a penalty goal before half-time and took an 8-0 lead going into the sheds against the Champions. Wigan needed a spark after the break which Jake Wardle provided. He picked up the scraps and raced away to get them on the board. They kept pushing forward and took the lead soon after. The high kick found Ryan Hampshire who scored to make it 12-8.

It was all systems go for the Warriors in the second half. Jai Field took a pass, juggled then danced past the defense to score. Next, it was a party piece from Wigan from the scrum. The kick was punched deep and bounced right into the hands of Zach Ekersley to score. Wigan also added a pair of penalty goals in the second half from Adam Keighran which helped to stretch out their advantage. The Giants did find a late consolation four-pointer through another former Warrior in Sam Halsall. He left highest to pluck the ball and bring it back to 28-14.

WIGAN	28	-	14	HUDDERSFIELD
Zach ECKERSLEY		T		Jake BIBBY
Jai FIELD				Sam HALSALL
Ryan HAMPSHIRE				
Jacob WARDLE				
Adam KEIGHRAN	6/6	G	3/3	Jake CONNOR
TEAMSHEETS				
Jai FIELD	1	FB	1	Jake CONNOR
Abbas MISKI	2	W	30	Aidan McGOWAN
Adam KEIGHRAN	3	C	5	Jake BIBBY
Jacob WARDLE	4	C	4	Kevin NAIQAMA
Liam MARSHALL	5	W	24	Sam HALSALL
Ryan HAMPSHIRE	23	FE	6	Tui LOLOHEA
Harry SMITH	7	HB	23	Oliver RUSSELL
Ethan HAVARD	8	FR	8	Chris HILL
Kruise LEEMING	17	HK	9	Adam MILNER
Luke THOMPSON	16	FR	15	Matty ENGLISH
Junior NSEMBA	21	2R	16	Harry RUSHTON
Liam FARRELL (c)	12	2R	12	Sam HEWITT
Kaide ELLIS	13	L	21	Leroy CUDJOE (c)
Patrick MAGO	15	B	18	Sebastine IKAHIHIFO
Tyler DUPREE	19	B	19	Thomas DEAKIN
Sam WALTERS	22	B	25	Fenton ROGERS
Zach ECKERSLEY	26	B	33	Andre SVELIO
Matt PEET		HC		Luke ROBINSON

Date: Thu, 1st August. Kickoff: 8:00 PM. Halftime: Huddersfield 8-0.
Penalties: Wigan 7-4. Referee: Aaron Moore. Crowd: 11,660.

WARRINGTON	4	-	22	HULL KR
TEAMSHEETS				
Matt DUFTY	1	FB	2	Niall EVALDS
Josh THEWLIS	2	W	35	Joe BURGESS
Rodrick TAI	14	C	1	Peta HIKU
Arron LINDOP	33	C	4	Oliver GILDART
Matthew ASHTON	5	W	5	Ryan HALL
George WILLIAMS (c)	6	FE	27	Tyrone MAY
Josh DRINKWATER	7	HB	7	Mikey LEWIS
Luke YATES	41	FR	8	Sauaso SUE
Sam POWELL	32	HK	14	Matt PARCELL
Paul VAUGHAN	10	FR	16	Jai WHITBREAD
Matthew NICHOLSON	13	2R	11	Dean HADLEY
Adam HOLROYD	28	2R	12	James BATCHELOR
Ben CURRIE	11	L	13	Elliott MINCHELLA (c)
Danny WALKER	9	B	9	Jez LITTEN
Zane MUSGROVE	16	B	15	Sam LUCKLEY
Jordan CROWTHER	17	B	29	Kelepi TANGINOA
John BATEMAN	42	B	37	Jack BROWN
Sam BURGESS		HC		Willie PETERS

Date: Fri, 2nd August. Kickoff: 8:00 PM. Halftime: Hull KR 10-0.
Penalties: Warrington 6-5. Referee: Jack Smith. Crowd: 12,102.

SAINTS THUMP HULL FC AT MKM STADIUM

St Helens bounced back and thumped Hull FC 46-6 in their game down at MKM Stadium on Saturday afternoon.

The Saints needed a big result after they suffered the same score line last weekend against Leigh Leopards. The visitors sliced through the middle then an exchange of passes ended with Lewis Dodd going over for 6-0. Next, the Saints flung the ball wide for their second four-pointer. Tommy Makinson dived over in the right corner. St Helens pushed their advantage further right after half-time. Curtis Sironen burst through then found Dodd for his second of the afternoon.

It was all Saints in the second half, Daryl Clark bumped off a few tacklers and slammed the ball down to make it 22-0. Hull FC's afternoon went worse when Brad Fash was sin binned which allowed St Helens to strike again through Matt Whitley. The tries kept coming for the visitors. Jake Burns scooted over then Agnatius Paasi stroled through a gap for 40-0. Jake Burns rounded off the Saints romp with his second four-pointer after taking an offload then streaking away. Hull FC did find a late consolation four-pointer to get on the board. Jake Walker snatched the grubber to make it 46-6.

HULL FC	6	-	46	ST HELENS
Jack WALKER		T	2	Jake BURNS
			2	Lewis DODD
				Daryl CLARK
				Thomas MAKINSON
				Agnatius PAASI
				Matt WHITLEY
Jordan LANE	1/1	G	7/8	Thomas MAKINSON
Brad FASH		BIN		
TEAMSHEETS				
Logan MOY	37	FB	33	Harry ROBERTSON
Harvey BARRON	25	W	2	Thomas MAKINSON
Carlos TUIMAVAVE (c)	3	C	21	Ben DAVIES
Tom BRISCOE	44	C	3	Waqa BLAKE
Lewis MARTIN	26	W	25	Theerapol RITSON
Jacob TRUEMAN	6	FE	14	Moses MBYE
Jack WALKER	31	HB	7	Lewis DODD
Yusuf AYDIN	45	FR	10	Matty LEES
Morgan SMITH	19	HK	9	Daryl CLARK
Brad FASH (c)	13	FR	17	Agnatius PAASI
Jordan LANE	15	2R	19	Matt WHITLEY
Ed CHAMBERLAIN	43	2R	16	Curtis SIRONEN
Will GARDINER	21	L	13	Morgan KNOWLES (c)
Denive BALMFORTH	28	B	12	Joe BATCHELOR
Matty LAIDLAW	30	B	15	James BELL
Tiaki CHAN	46	B	24	Jake BURNS
Leon RUAN	51	B	31	Noah STEPHENS
Simon GRIX		HC		Paul WELLENS

Date: Sat, 3rd August. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: St Helens 10-0.
Penalties: Hull FC 7-6. Referee: Liam Moore. Crowd: 9,885.

RED DEVILS DEFEAT RHINOS IN TIGHT TUSSLE AT SALFORD STADIUM

Salford Red Devils won 22-16 against Leeds Rhinos down at Salford Stadium on Saturday afternoon.

The Red Devils keep themselves well in the fight for the top six as we head into the final section of the season. It was the Rhinos who stamped their mark on the game first after Tim Lafai was binned. Matt Frawley sliced through and showed enough speed to get on the board. Next, the Rhinos struck from range again. They broke through again and Alfie Edgell supported the runner to make it 12-0. It wasn't all roses for the Rhinos who had Rhysy Martin sin binned for a dangerous tackle on a Red Devil. Salford made an instant impact to get back in the contest. Kallum Watkins surged through a gap to go over.

Brodie Croft came back to haunt his old side and extended Leeds lead. It was an interchange of passes which saw the half touch down after video referee confirmation. Nene Macdonald had a pair of efforts chalked off by the video while Salford had one ruled off due to a forward pass. Salford hit the lead for the first time in the second half. It was another good run and ended with Joe Mellor slamming down for 18-16. Marc Sneyd piloted over a pair of penalty goals which extended the Red Devils lead to six and saw Leeds' James Bentley binned for a high shot.

SALFORD	22	-	16	LEEDS
Kallum WATKINS	2	T		Brodie CROFT
Joe MELLOR				Alfie EDGELL
				Matt FRAWLEY
Marc SNEYD	5/5	G	2/2	Rhysy MARTIN
			0/1	Lachlan MILLER
Tim LAFAI		BIN		James BENTLEY
				Rhysy MARTIN
TEAMSHEETS				
Ryan BRIERLEY	1	FB	1	Lachlan MILLER
Ethan RYAN	2	W	29	Alfie EDGELL
Nene MACDONALD	3	C	3	Harry NEWMAN
Tim LAFAI	4	C	4	Paul MOMIROVSKI
Deon CROSS	5	W	5	Ash HANDLEY
Jayden NIKORIMA	32	FE	6	Brodie CROFT
Marc SNEYD	7	HB	7	Matt FRAWLEY
Brad SINGLETON	8	FR	8	Mikolaj OLEDZKI
Joe SHORROCKS	16	HK	9	Andy ACKERS
Laghan LEWIS	29	FR	17	Justin SANGARÉ
Sam STONE	11	2R	16	James McDONNELL
Kallum WATKINS (c)	12	2R	12	Rhysy MARTIN
Oliver PARTINGTON	13	L	13	Cameron SMITH (c)
Shane WRIGHT	15	B	11	James BENTLEY
Chris HANKINSON	23	B	14	Jarrold O'CONNOR
Joe MELLOR	24	B	15	Sam LISONE
Joe BULLOCK	31	B	25	James DONALDSON
Paul ROWLEY		HC		Brad ARTHUR

Date: Sat, 3rd August. Kickoff: 5:30 PM. Halftime: Leeds 16-6.
Penalties: Leeds 10-8. Referee: Tom Grant. Crowd: 4,473.

BRONCOS BUCK DRAGONS TO STAY ALIVE AT CHERRY RED RECORDS STADIUM

London Broncos beat Catalans Dragons 12-10 in their game at Cherry Red Records Stadium on Sunday afternoon.

The Broncos have got themselves back within sight of survival after a gritty win against the Dragons. It was a tight opening to the contest with both teams having chances and trying to prise open the game. London Broncos were the first team to get some points. It was a short pass which ended with Jacob Jones nudging over from close range.

The Dragons almost struck right after the restart. They looked to surge over the line but some solid work from Josh Rourke denied them. Catalans did get on the board eventually. Jarrod Wallace charged onto the ball and rolled over the line for 6-all. London Broncos had an instant response to retake the lead. They kept the ball alive then Oli Leyland popped it up to Jarrod Bassett to go over. The hosts were playing with energy and almost got a whackey bounce that ended back with the Broncos and saw Saidq Adebijiyi held up. Leyland inspired the Broncos forward again with the 40/20 to give them breathing room but they were unable to find the stripe. The Dragons brought it back to 12-10 in the late stages. A high kick was batted back for Fouad Yaha who got his maiden four-pointer of the season. The usually assured Arthur Mourgue was wide from the tee which set up a grandstand finish in the London sunshine. The Broncos had to hold off some late surges from the Dragons but held on for a massive run in the context of their season.

LONDON	12	-	10	CATALANS
Jarrod BASSETT		T		Jarrold WALLACE
Jacob JONES				Fouad YAHA
Oliver LEYLAND	2/2	G	1/2	Arthur MOURGUE

LONDON	12	-	10	CATALANS
TEAMSHEETS				
Josh ROURKE	23	FB	29	Sam TOMKINS
Lee KERSHAW	2	W	2	Tom DAVIES
Jarrold BASSETT	3	C	31	Guilermo Aispuro BICHETT
Ethan NATOLI	12	C	4	Matthieu LAGUERRE
Hakim MILOUDI	4	W	5	Fouad YAHA
Oliver LEYLAND	20	FE	7	Théo FAGES
Jack CAMPAGNOLO	6	HB	1	Arthur MOURGUE
Marcus STOCK	15	FR	16	Romain NAVARRETE
Sam DAVIS	9	HK	14	Alrix DA COSTA
Rhys KENNEDY	19	FR	10	Julian BOUSQUET
Will LOVELL (c)	11	2R	12	Paul SÉGUIER
Sadiq ADEBIYI	17	2R	15	Bayley SIRONEN
Dean PARATA	13	L	13	Benjamin GARCIA (c)
Robert BUTLER	8	B	20	Tevita SATAE
Jacob JONES	29	B	23	Jordan DEZARIA
Ugo TISON	34	B	17	César ROUGÉ
		B	33	Jarrold WALLACE
Mike ECCLES		HC		Steve McNAMARA

Date: Sun, 4th August. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: London 6-0.
Penalties: London 9-7. Referee: James Vella. Crowd: 1,900.

WARRIORS BACK ON TOP IN CATCH-UP WIN AT THE BRICK COMMUNITY STADIUM

The Wigan Warriors have returned to the top of the Super League table with a convincing 28-6 win over the Leigh Leopards. Leigh were looking for their first win in Wigan in over 40 years but the drought is set to continue.

Wigan started strongly and got the run of tries they required. First in the ninth minute, a loose pass was cleaned up by Junior Nsemba who beat some horrible defence to score the first try. Leigh worked hard to get back into the game, but a poor mistake coming out of yardage spelled trouble for the visitors. A quick shift left saw Liam Marshall in space before linking up with Jake Wardle to make it 10-0. Another Leigh mistake before the half saw Adam Keighran get through some woeful Leopards defence, Matt Moylan for one (despite the fact he played through injury) wouldn't like to see that on video. Wigan arguably sealed the game on half-time when Pat Mago got through some woeful defence to make it a 22-0 game at the change of ends. Leigh were much competitive in the second half despite Moylan coming off with injury. John Asiata another who battled on despite clear signs of injury. Kai O'Donnell showed why he'll be hard to replace next year with a strong run after the break, he found Lachie Lam who reduced the gap to 16. Wigan out the final stamp on the game in the 58th minute when Kruiise Leeming capped a brilliant game with a grubber kick try assist for Harvie Hill.

WIGAN		28	-	6	LEIGH	
Harvie HILL			T		Lachlan LAM	
Adam KEIGHRAN						
Patrick MAGO						
Junior NSEMBA						
Jacob WARDLE						
Adam KEIGHRAN	4/5	G	1/1	Darnell McINTOSH		
		BIN		Jack HUGHES		
TEAMSHEETS						
Zach ECKERSLEY	26	FB	6	Matt MOYLAN		
Abbas MISKI	2	W	34	Darnell McINTOSH		
Adam KEIGHRAN	3	C	24	Umyla HANLEY		
Jacob WARDLE	4	C	4	Ricky LEUTELE		
Liam MARSHALL	5	W	5	Josh CHARNLEY		
Ryan HAMPSHIRE	23	FE	12	Jack HUGHES		
Harry SMITH	7	HB	7	Lachlan LAM		
Ethan HAVARD	8	FR	17	Owen TROUT		
Kruiise LEEMING	17	HK	9	Edwin IPAPE		
Luke THOMPSON	16	FR	10	Robbie MULHERN		
Junior NSEMBA	21	2R	11	Kai O'DONNELL		
Liam FARRELL	12	2R	16	Frankie HALTON		
Kaide ELLIS	13	L	13	John ASIATA (c)		
Patrick MAGO	15	B	33	Brad DWYER		
Tyler DUPREE	19	B	3	Zak HARDAKER		
Harvie HILL	20	B	35	Aaron PENE		
Sam WALTERS	22	B	15	Matt DAVIS		
Matt PEET		HC		Adrian LAM		

Date: Tue, 6th August. Kickoff: 8:00 PM. Halftime: Wigan 22-0. Referee: Chris Kendall. Crowd: 13,249.

ROUND 20 TABLE	P	W	L	D	B	F	A	Diff	Pts
1. WIGAN WARRIORS	20	16	4	0	0	525	266	259	32
2. HULL KR	20	15	5	0	0	503	258	245	30
3. WARRINGTON WOLVES	20	14	6	0	0	504	267	237	28
4. SALFORD RED DEVILS	20	13	7	0	0	377	382	-5	26
5. ST HELENS	20	12	8	0	0	501	262	239	24
6. CATALANS DRAGONS	20	12	8	0	0	375	286	89	24
7. LEEDS RHINOS	20	10	10	0	0	371	364	7	20
8. LEIGH LEOPARDS	20	9	10	1	0	398	314	84	19
9. HUDDERSFIELD GIANTS	20	7	13	0	0	350	455	-105	14
10. CASTLEFORD TIGERS	20	6	13	1	0	336	523	-187	13
11. HULL FC	20	3	17	0	0	274	612	-338	6
12. LONDON BRONCOS	20	2	18	0	0	210	735	-525	4

ROUND 21 FIXTURES

ALL TIMES BST

TIME	MATCH	VENUE	REFEREE
THU 8:00PM	ST HELENS v SALFORD	Totally Wicked Stadium	Chris KENDALL
FRI 8:00PM	HUDDERSFIELD v CATALANS	John Smith's Stadium	Tom GRANT
	HULL KR v CASTLEFORD	Sewell Group Craven Park	Liam RUSH
SAT 3:00PM	LEEDS v WIGAN	AMT Headingley Stadium	Liam MOORE
SUN 3:00PM	LEIGH v HULL FC	Leigh Sports Village	Jack SMITH
	LONDON v WARRINGTON	Cherry Red Records Stadium	Marcus GRIFFITHS

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MOST TRIES

Rank	Player	Team	P	T
1	Liam Marshall	Wigan	19	20
=2	Ash Handley	Leeds	17	14
=2	Matt Dufty	Warrington	19	14
=2	Josh Charnley	Leigh	19	14

MOST GOALS

Rank	Player	Team	P	G	%
1	Marc Sneyd	Salford	20	67 / 76	88%
2	Arthur Mourgue	Catalans	19	59 / 69	86%
3	Rhyse Martin	Leeds	20	57 / 72	79%
4	Mark Percival	St Helens	17	53 / 69	77%
5	Mikey Lewis	Hull KR	19	44 / 59	75%

MOST POINTS

Rank	Player	Team	P	T	G	FG	Pts
1	Marc Sneyd	Salford	20	2	67	3	145
2	Mikey Lewis	Hull KR	19	13	44	-	140
3	Arthur Mourgue	Catalans	19	5	59	-	138
4	Rhyse Martin	Leeds	20	5	57	-	134
5	Mark Percival	St Helens	17	5	53	-	126

WOMEN'S BETFRED SUPER LEAGUE

ROUND 6 RESULT

ST HELENS 10 (L. Burke 2 tries; F. Gaskin goal) DEFEATED YORK 6 (R. Wilton try; T. Stanley goal) at **Totally Wicked Stadium**. Date: Wed, 31st July. Kickoff: 7:30 PM. Halftime: St Helens 10-6. Penalties: St Helens 7-3. Referee: Adam Williams. Crowd: 1,123. **St Helens:** Salihi, Woosey, Stott, McColm, Burke; Harris, Gaskin; Whitfield, Jones, Crowl, Travis, Rudge, Cunningham. **Int:** Williams, Stott, Birchall, Mottershead. **York:** Stanley, Kershaw, Roberts, Owen, Partington; Wilton, Eastwood; Sharp, Hetherington, Bell, Taylor; Andrade, Pakulis. **Int:** Gentles, Wood, Parker.

ROUND 10 RESULTS

ST HELENS 64 (R. Woosey 3, F. Gaskin 2, M. Williams 2, L. Burke, J. Cunningham, Z. Harris, P. Travis, V. Whitfield tries; F. Gaskin 8 goals) DEFEATED BARROW 6 (S. Norman try; J. Litherland goal) at **Northern Competitions Stadium**. Date: Sun, 4th August. Kickoff: 12:00 PM. Halftime: St Helens 38-2. **Barrow:** Temple, Todhunter, Hutchinson, Stirzaker, Norman; Fisher, Litherland; Dobson, Cottier, Morley, Clough, Friend, Smith. **Int:** Mellen, Sunderland, Lindsay, Stewart. **St Helens:** Salihi, Woosey, Stott, McColm, Burke; Harris, Gaskin; Whitfield, Jones, Crowl, Williams, Travis, Cunningham. **Int:** Williams, Stott, Birchall, Mottershead.

LEEDS 68 (L. Whitehead 3, B. Dainton 2, E. Stead 2, R. Walker 2, K. Bennett, E. Cousins, G. Short, B. Sykes tries; K. Bennett 5, R. Walker 3 goals) DEFEATED FEATHERSTONE 6 (C. Blackburn try; T. Bryer goal) at **Millennium Stadium**. Date: Sun, 4th August. Kickoff: 12:00 PM. Halftime: Leeds 38-6. **Featherstone:** Lamb, Craven, Copley, Johnson, Carr; Waters, Bryer; Harrison, Blackburn, Limbert, Watt, Evans, Teece. **Int:** Courtney, Prescott, Kennedy, Holmes. **Leeds:** Cousins, Whitehead, Greening, Robinson, Stead; Butcher, Casey; Northrop, Bennett, Sykes, Murray, Short, Dainton. **Int:** Field, Glynn, Donnelly, Walker.

YORK 61 (E. Partington 4, E. Kershaw 3, S. Andrade, G. Hetherington, C. Roberts, T. Stanley, R. Wilton tries; T. Stanley 6 goals; T. Stanley field goal) DEFEATED WARRINGTON 0 at **Victoria Park (Warrington)**. Date: Sun, 4th August. Kickoff: 12:00 PM. Halftime: York 26-0. **Warrington:** Barnett, Johnston, Bogg, Coates, Ellison; Doria, Fellingham; Latchford, Jelves, Burnett, Williams, Baggaley, Downs. **Int:** Wilson, Turner, Johnson, Condliffe. **York:** Stanley, Partington, Parker, Roberts, Kershaw; Wilton, Eastwood; Wood, Hetherington, Bell, Owen, Andrade, Pakulis. **Int:** Sharp, Wood, Gentles, Pommier.

WIGAN 70 (G. Banks 2, A. Davies 2, E. Derbyshire 2, J. Forbister 2, R. Casey, M. Coleman, K. Hilton, R. Hunter tries; I. Rowe 11 goals) DEFEATED HUDDERSFIELD 0 at **Millennium Stadium**. Date: Sun, 4th August. Kickoff: 12:00 PM. Halftime: Wigan 40-0. Penalties: Wigan 4-2. Referee: Liam Breheny. **Wigan:** Banks, Davies, Thompson, Hilton, Derbyshire; Rowe, Forbister; Speakman, Casey, Fisher, Hunter; Coleman, Jones. **Int:** Gregory-Haselden, Hayes, Marsh, Hunter. **Huddersfield:** Brown, Goddard, Da Silva, Moxon, Waller; Grady, Hulme; Haley, Preston, Wilkinson, Naidole, Fisher, Thompson. **Int:** Townend, Hampshaw, Tyson, Hobbs.

ROUND 10 TABLE

	P	W	L	D	B	F	A	Diff	Pts
1. ST HELENS	10	9	1	0	0	358	74	284	18
2. LEEDS RHINOS	10	8	2	0	0	418	66	352	16
3. WIGAN WARRIORS	10	8	2	0	0	418	76	342	16
4. YORK VALKYRIE	10	7	3	0	0	335	84	251	14
5. HUDDERSFIELD GIANTS	10	3	7	0	0	146	444	-298	6
6. WARRINGTON WOLVES	10	3	7	0	0	82	421	-339	6
7. BARROW RAIDERS	10	2	8	0	0	88	330	-242	4
8. FEATHERSTONE ROVERS	10	0	10	0	0	88	438	-350	0

ROUND 11 FIXTURES TIMES BST

TIME	MATCH	VENUE
FRI 7:00PM	LEEDS v WIGAN	AMT Headingley Stadium
SAT 12:00PM	ST HELENS v FEATHERSTONE	Totally Wicked Stadium
	BARROW v WARRINGTON	Northern Competitions Stadium
SUN 12:00pm	YORK v HUDDERSFIELD	LNER Community Stadium

MOST TRIES

Rank	Player	Team	P	T
1	Anna Davies	Wigan	10	17
2	Emma Kershaw	York	10	16
3	Eboni Partington	York	10	15
=3	Zac Fulton	Bradford	15	12

MOST GOALS

Rank	Player	Team	P	G	%
1	Faye Gaskin	St Helens	10	42 / 67	63%
2	Emma Knowles	Wigan	6	33 / 40	83%
3	Tara-Jane Stanley	York	8	30 / 47	64%

MOST POINTS

Rank	Player	Team	P	T	G	FG	Pts
1	Faye Gaskin	St Helens	10	5	42	-	104
2	Isabel Rowe	Wigan	10	6	26	-	76
3	Tara-Jane Stanley	York	8	2	30	1	69

MEN'S BETFRED CHAMPIONSHIP

ROUND 18 RESULTS

TOULOUSE 48 (P. Lima 3, R. Rennie 2, P. Ulberg 2, P. Marcon, M. Stefani tries; R. Brochon 4, R. Rivett 2 goals) **DEFEATED SWINTON 4** (R. Williams try) at **Heywood Road**. Date: Sat, 3rd August. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Toulouse 20-0. Penalties: Swinton 9-3. Referee: Ryan Cox. Crowd: 629. Swinton: Abram, Lepori, Spedding, Badrock, Williams; Stevens, Gibson; Bennion, Eaves, Wood, Rodden, Cox, Hall. Int: Roby, Case, Houghton, Brown. Toulouse: Ashall-Bott, Marcon, Jussaume, Rennie, Ulberg; Rivett, Brochon; Roumanos, Gahan, Hansen, Stefani, Peyroux, Marion. Int: Richards, Biscarro, Lima, Armitage.

BARROW 24 (L. Broadbent, A. Bulman, M. Clarke, R. Shaw, J. Wood tries; R. Shaw 2 goals) **DREW WITH BRADFORD 24** (K. Appo, Z. Fulton, K. Gill, T. Holmes, J. Okunbor tries; J. Lilley 2 goals) at **Northern Competitions Stadium**. Date: Sun, 4th August. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Bradford 18-8. Penalties: Barrow 6-3. Referee: Michael Smaill. Barrow: Cresswell, Bulman, Broadbent, Toal, Shaw; Walker, Costello; Gillam, Smith, Brown, Clarke, Greenwood, Rothwell. Int: Wood, Wilkinson, Walker, Pye. Bradford: Holmes, Okunbor, Lehmann, Gill, Smith; Sammut, Lilley; Bayliss-Brow, Souter, Pele, Fulton, Davies, Hallas. Int: Appo, Fishwick, Okoro, Ott.

WAKEFIELD 42 (M. Jowitt 3, T. Boothroyd, D. Olpherts, O. Pratt, K. Rodwell, H. Smith tries; M. Jowitt 5 goals) **DEFEATED DEWSBURY 16** (L. Carr, Z. Silk, P. Whiteley tries; C. Turner 2 goals) at **FLAIR Stadium**. Date: Sun, 4th August. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Wakefield 22-6. Referee: Denton Arnold. Dewsbury: O'Connor, Carr, Graham, Walker, Restall; Turner, Hookem; Morris, Butterworth, Walker, Summers, Dawson, Collinson. Int: Whiteley, Dixon, Silk, Briggs. Wakefield: Booth, Walmsley, Croft, Pratt, Olpherts; Jowitt, Hood; Bowden, Smith, Bain, Boothroyd, Griffin, Doyle. Int: Pitts, Kay, Rodwell, Shaw.

FEATHERSTONE 24 (J. Beckett, J. Bussey, B. Reynolds, C. Wynne tries; B. Reynolds 4 goals) **DEFEATED BATLEY 16** (J. Burton, D. Manning, L. Walshaw tries; J. Woods 2 goals) at **Millennium Stadium**. Date: Sun, 4th August. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Batley 16-6. Penalties: Featherstone 5-4. Referee: Cameron Worsley. Crowd: 1,544. Featherstone: Eden, Jeffrey, Minikin, Barley, Wynne; Reynolds, Aekins; Nakubuwai, Addy, Lockwood, Day, Bussey, Beckett. Int: Bowes, Springer, Arnold, Hardcastle. Batley: Hooley, Morton, Mitsias, Buchanan, Burton; White, Woods; Gledhill, Leak, Cooper, Manning, Walshaw, Blake. Int: Senior, Burton, Flynn, Ward.

HALIFAX 38 (C. Graham 2, L. Jouffret 2, B. Crooks, J. Keyes, J. Woodburn-Hall tries; L. Jouffret 4, J. Keyes goals) **DEFEATED YORK 18** (C. Bailey, J. Gannon, B. Ward tries; A. Hingano 3 goals) at **The Shay Stadium**. Date: Sun, 4th August. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Halifax 22-14. Penalties: Halifax 6-4. Referee: Liam Rush. Crowd: 1,543. Halifax: Woodburn-Hall, Saltonstall, Barber, Crooks, Graham; Jouffret, Keyes; Tangata, Inman, Boyer, Kavanagh, Davies, Hird. Int: Johnson, Larroyer, Littlewood, Morgan. York: Williams, Ward, Keinhorst, Field, Brown; Hingano, Cook; Michael, Daley, Santi, Bailey, Gannon, Thompson. Int: Cunningham, Teanby, Fitzsimmons, Reynolds.

SHEFFIELD 22 (C. Aston, M. Dawson-Jones, A. Foster, J. Glover tries; C. Aston 3 goals) **DEFEATED DONCASTER 20** (L. Briscoe, B. Faraimo, J. Guzdek, C. Robinson tries; C. Robinson 2 goals) at **Sheffield Olympic Legacy Stadium**. Date: Sun, 4th August. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Sheffield 22-6. Penalties: Doncaster 9-2. Referee: Matthew Lynn. Crowd: 1,075. Sheffield: Marsh, Jones-Bishop, Welham, Glover, Dawson-Jones; Aston, Hansen; Battye, Halafhi,

Dickinson, Foster; Farrell, Hodgson. Int: Gwaze, Clark, Liu, Sene-Lefao. Doncaster: Hall, Briscoe, Lyne, Hey, Faraimo; Boas, Robinson; Knowles-Tagg, Hodgson, Matagi, Wallace, Ferres, McConnell. Int: Holdstock, Pauli, Guzdek, Baxter. **WIDNES 24** (R. Ince 2, T. Gilmore, J. Lyons, J. Owens tries; T. Gilmore 2 goals) **DEFEATED WHITEHAVEN 12** (E. Gebbie, R. King tries; J. Carter 2 goals) at **The Ortus REC**. Date: Sun, 4th August. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: 12-all. Penalties: Widnes 7-5. Referee: Andy Sweet. Crowd: 855. Whitehaven: Maizen, Gebbie, Evans, Walsh, Teare; Carter; Hanneghan; Castle, Newton, Ainley, Hursley-Hord, Corkill, King. Int: High, Singleton, Web-Campbell, Worthington. Widnes: Owens, Butt, Brand, Bardsley-Rowe, Ince; Lyons, Gilmore; Kirk, Johnstone, Murray, Roberts, Lannon, Brooks. Int: Fozard, Bent, Green, Wilde.

ROUND 18 TABLE

	P	W	L	D	B	F	A	Diff	Pts
1. WAKEFIELD TRINITY	18	17	1	0	0	626	222	404	34
2. TOULOUSE OLYMPIQUE	18	13	4	1	0	554	240	314	27
3. SHEFFIELD EAGLES	18	13	5	0	0	510	303	207	26
4. WIDNES VIKINGS	18	11	6	1	0	434	319	115	23
5. BRADFORD BULLS	18	10	6	2	0	425	321	104	22
6. FEATHERSTONE ROVERS	18	9	9	0	0	464	375	89	18
7. DONCASTER RLFC	18	8	9	1	0	338	432	-94	17
8. YORK KNIGHTS	18	8	10	0	0	446	387	59	16
9. BATLEY BULLDOGS	18	8	10	0	0	300	390	-90	16
10. HALIFAX PANTHERS	18	7	11	0	0	356	477	-121	14
11. BARROW RAIDERS	18	6	11	1	0	295	520	-225	13
12. SWINTON LIONS	18	6	12	0	0	346	470	-124	12
13. WHITEHAVEN RLFC	18	5	11	2	0	348	580	-232	12
14. DEWSBURY RAMS	18	1	17	0	0	236	642	-406	2

ROUND 19 FIXTURES

ALL TIMES BST

TIME	MATCH	VENUE	REFEREE
Fri 8:00pm	WAKEFIELD v SHEFFIELD	DIY Kitchens Stadium	Aaron MOORE
Sat 7:30pm	DONCASTER v TOULOUSE	Eco-Power Stadium	Mike SMAILL
Sun 3:00pm	YORK v DEWSBURY	LNER Community Stadium	Warren TURLEY
	BRADFORD v WHITEHAVEN	Bartercard Odsal Stadium	Cameron WORSLEY
	BATLEY v SWINTON	Fox's Biscuit Stadium	James VELLA
	WIDNES v FEATHERSTONE	DCBL Stadium Halton	Matty LYNN
	HALIFAX v BARROW	The Shay Stadium	Ryan COX

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MOST TRIES

Rank	Player	Team	P	T
1	Lachlan Walmsley	Wakefield	17	17
2	Derrell Olpherts	Wakefield	17	15
=3	Zac Fulton	Bradford	16	13
=3	Matty Dawson-Jones	Sheffield	17	13
=3	Kieran Gill	Bradford	18	13
=3	Joe Burton	Batley	18	13

MOST GOALS

Rank	Player	Team	P	G	%
1	Max Jowitt	Wakefield	17	82 / 105	78%
2	Cory Aston	Sheffield	17	72 / 88	82%
=3	Tom Gilmore	Widnes	18	63 / 86	73%
=3	Jordan Lilley	Bradford	18	63 / 88	72%

MOST POINTS

Rank	Player	Team	P	T	G	FG	Pts
1	Max Jowitt	Wakefield	17	11	82	-	208
2	Cory Aston	Sheffield	17	4	72	-	160
3	Tom Gilmore	Widnes	18	4	63	4	146
4	Jordan Lilley	Bradford	18	3	63	3	141



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