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NRL 2024 FINAL LADDER & STATS LEADERS

FINAL LADDER

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	12	10	2	-	348	199	149	12	9	3	-	344	250	94	24	19	5	-	3	692	449	44	+243	28.83	18.71
2.	PENRITH	12	9	3	-	270	194	76	12	8	4	-	310	200	110	24	17	7	-	3	580	394	40	+186	24.17	16.42
3.	SYDNEY	12	8	4	-	342	176	166	12	8	4	-	396	287	109	24	16	8	-	3	738	463	38	+275	30.75	19.29
4.	CRONULLA	12	8	4	-	330	226	104	12	8	4	-	323	205	118	24	16	8	-	3	653	431	38	+222	27.21	17.96
5.	NORTH QLD	12	7	5	-	324	303	21	12	8	4	-	333	265	68	24	15	9	-	3	657	568	36	+89	27.38	23.67
6.	CANTERBURY	12	10	2	-	294	214	80	12	4	8	-	235	219	16	24	14	10	-	3	529	433	34	+96	22.04	18.04
7.	MANLY	12	9	3	-	339	211	128	12	4	7	1	295	310	-15	24	13	10	1	3	634	521	33	+113	26.42	21.71
8.	NEWCASTLE	12	7	5	-	242	232	10	12	5	7	-	228	278	-50	24	12	12	-	3	470	510	30	-40	19.58	21.25
9.	CANBERRA	12	7	5	-	260	288	-28	12	5	7	-	214	313	-99	24	12	12	-	3	474	601	30	-127	19.75	25.04
10.	DOLPHINS	12	6	6	-	333	284	49	12	5	7	-	244	294	-50	24	11	13	-	3	577	578	28	-1	24.04	24.08
11.	ST GEO ILLA	12	6	6	-	288	318	-30	12	5	7	-	220	316	-96	24	11	13	-	3	508	634	28	-126	21.17	26.42
12.	BRISBANE	12	5	7	-	282	311	-29	12	5	7	-	255	296	-41	24	10	14	-	3	537	607	26	-70	22.38	25.29
13.	WARRIORS	12	6	5	1	264	261	3	12	3	9	-	248	313	-65	24	9	14	1	3	512	574	25	-62	21.33	23.92
14.	GOLD COAST	12	4	8	-	282	338	-56	12	4	8	-	206	318	-112	24	8	16	-	3	488	656	22	-168	20.33	27.33
15.	PARRAMATTA	12	5	7	-	287	333	-46	12	2	10	-	274	383	-109	24	7	17	-	3	561	716	20	-155	23.38	29.83
16.	SOUTHS	12	5	7	-	260	320	-60	12	2	10	-	234	362	-128	24	7	17	-	3	494	682	20	-188	20.58	28.42
17.	WESTS TIGERS	12	5	7	-	282	332	-50	12	1	11	-	181	418	-237	24	6	18	-	3	463	750	18	-287	19.29	31.25

Top 8 teams qualify for the 2024 NRL Finals Series

TOP TRYSCORERS

Rank	Player	Team	P	T
1	Alofiana Khan-Pereira	Gold Coast	21	24
2	Kyle Feldt	North Qld	23	22
3	Dominic Young	Sydney	19	19
	Daniel Tupou	Sydney	21	19
5	Maika Sivo	Parramatta	12	17
	Tom Trbojevic	Manly	18	17
	Ronaldo Mulitalo	Cronulla	20	17
	Deine Mariner	Brisbane	21	17
9	Sunia Turuva	Penrith	20	16
	Tommy Talau	Manly	21	16
11	Hamiso Tabuai-Fidow	Dolphins	16	15
	Sione Katoa	Cronulla	21	15
	Dallin Watene-Zelezniak	Warriors	22	15
	Xavier Savage	Canberra	24	15

TOP POINTSCORERS

Rank	Player	Team	P	T	G	FG	Pts
1	Valentine Holmes	North Qld	22	14	95	-	246
2	Jamayne Isaako	Dolphins	24	12	87	1	223
3	Nick Meaney	Melbourne	21	5	93	-	206
4	Sam Walker	Sydney	21	7	88	-	204
5	Reuben Garrick	Manly	22	10	75	-	190
6	Zac Lomax	St Geo Illa	21	14	63	0/2	186
7	Matt Burton	Canterbury	22	9	71	3	181
8	Nicho Hynes	Cronulla	15	2	54	1	117
9	Clinton Gutherson	Parramatta	21	9	38	-	112
10	Apisai Koroisau	Wests Tigers	22	5	43	-	106
11	Dylan Edwards	Penrith	17	10	31	-	102
12	Kalyn Ponga	Newcastle	15	3	44	-	100
13	Nathan Cleary	Penrith	10	4	40	0/1	98
	Latrell Mitchell	South Sydney	11	8	33	-	98
	Braydon Trindall	Cronulla	17	10	29	-	98

TOP GOALKICKERS

Rank	Player	Team	P	G/A	%
1	Valentine Holmes	North Qld	22	95 / 112	85%
2	Nick Meaney	Melbourne	21	93 / 119	78%
3	Sam Walker	Sydney	21	88 / 107	82%
4	Jamayne Isaako	Dolphins	24	87 / 109	80%
5	Reuben Garrick	Manly	22	75 / 99	76%
6	Matt Burton	Canterbury	22	71 / 96	74%
7	Zac Lomax	St Geo Illa	21	63 / 79	80%
8	Nicho Hynes	Cronulla	15	54 / 62	87%
9	Kalyn Ponga	Newcastle	15	44 / 51	86%
	Jamal Fogarty	Canberra	14	44 / 55	80%
11	Adam Reynolds	Brisbane	13	43 / 50	86%
	Apisai Koroisau	Wests Tigers	22	43 / 56	77%
13	Nathan Cleary	Penrith	10	40 / 47	85%
14	Clinton Gutherson	Parramatta	21	38 / 53	72%
15	Jayden Campbell	Gold Coast	15	34 / 48	71%

HOME CROWD AVERAGES

Averages exclude neutral venue matches

Club	Average	Club	Average
Brisbane	39,873	Melbourne	19,849
Dolphins	23,933	Penrith	19,497
Warriors	23,758	North Qld	19,281
Newcastle	22,635	Parramatta	18,836
Sydney	22,275	Manly	16,473
Canterbury	22,185	Gold Coast	16,241

Club	Average
St Geo Illa	15,036
Souths	14,511
Canberra	13,958
Wests Tigers	12,653
Cronulla	11,712

CROWD WATCH - ROUND 27

Timeslot	Match	Venue	Crowd
Thu 7:50pm	Broncos v Storm	Suncorp	35,086
Fri 6:00pm	Tigers v Eels	Campbelltown	17,311
Fri 8:00pm	Rabbitohs v Roosters	Accor	19,576
Sat 3:00pm	Dragons v Raiders	Netstrata	11,189
Sat 5:30pm	Bulldogs v Cowboys	Accor	32,437
Sat 7:35pm	Panthers v Titans	Penrith Park	21,525
Sun 2:00pm	Sea Eagles v Sharks	4 Pines	17,384
Sun 4:05pm	Knights v Dolphins	McD. Jones	29,433

ROUND 27 AGGREGATE 183,941 Avg 22,993
SEASON AGGREGATE 3,939,709 Avg 19,312

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NRL ROUND 27 WRAP

STORM BLOW THE PANTS OFF THE BRONCOS AT SUNCORP

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It was a systematic deconstruction of the Brisbane Broncos at the hands of a merciless Melbourne Storm with a thumping 12-50 scoreline at Suncorp Stadium.

Jahrome Hughes stared for the Storm, snagging three tries, three line breaks and putting 120 run meters beside his name. But Hughes wasn't the only one to get a hat trick, with Will Warbrick making it personal against the Broncos with 5 line breaks and 300 meters eaten up.

Brisbane coach Kevvie Walters had hoped that the boys would play for the jersey in front of the home crowd, but that wish started to fade quickly as Will Warbrick started his demolition job 10 minutes in after being given too much space. Only to find the Broncos lacking 5 minutes later for his second try, and the home team looked bamboozled.

The Storm seemed unstoppable even when pinned in their half, with Hughes sending a rocket of a pass to Warbrick in their on quarter only to finally finish off the charge up the field for himself for his first try of the night.

The steamrolling didn't stop as Eliesa Katoa finished another easy raid into Broncos territory for the Storm to be up 0-22 in the first 20 minutes.

With some changes, the Broncos seemed to find rhythm in the chaos, and Blake Mozer set up Walters in the 30 minute to give the home crowd something to cheer about.

But it was short-lived as Harry Grant exposed the Bronco's defence to be lazy and already on holiday at the end of the half. And we went to the sheds with the Storm leading 6-28.

The second half saw the Storm pouring on more points as Hughes got his second. So on fire where the Storm that even though Hughes thought he had not scored the try, the Bunker said, take the points, boys, this is your night.

Storm favourite Xavier Coates got a try not long after, with the big winger throwing himself into the game eager from such a long time off with injury.

Hughes got his hat trick shortly after, as Warbrick contested a high ball, and the Storm showed too much tenacity with multiple players in support, feeding it to their gun halfback to get the points.

In the 62nd minute, a late call from the Bunker found Eliesa Katoa had caught Tristan Sailor high, and the second rower got 10 minutes for his trouble.

It was some easy maths for the Broncos as they quickly went on the attack down the side Katoa had been on, and Jesse Arthars went over.

But there would never be any comeback, and the deal was sealed. Even with one man down, the Storm managed to outstrip the Bronco's defence, and Warbrick slid over for his third shortly after the Broncos had scored. The last 10 minutes of the game were merely a back-and-forth because of dropped balls by both teams.

The game played out til the end to 12-50, and on all accounts, Storm coach Craig Bellamy would probably say they left at least another 12 points out there!

12 - 50
Suncorp Stadium, Milton / Yuggera-Turrbal

The Broncos were tired and disjointed, with bad decisions the rule of the night for them. With no inspiration, they were lucky they had some resolve to hold out the Storm to only 50.

The Storm were electric, with Hughes and Warbrick commanding respect. Sualauvi Faalogo showed fantastic skill and flare with multiple line breaks, which was generally a headache for the Broncos. Unfortunately, he came off the field around the 68th minute with what seemed to be a hamstring problem, and we will have to wait for the outcome.

The Broncos pack it in for a year with what was a forgetful last few weeks; one of the powerhouses of NRL will have to do some soul-searching for 2025.

The Storm pushes on to bigger and better things, ready to take on whoever ends up in position four on the ladder at AAMI Park, likely to be the Cronulla Sharks.

BRISBANE	12	-	50	MELBOURNE
Jesse ARTHARS		T	3	Jahrome HUGHES
Josh ROGERS			3	Will WARBRICK
				Xavier COATES
				Harry GRANT
				Eliesa KATOA
Adam REYNOLDS	2/2	G	7/9	Nick MEANEY
		BIN		Eliesa KATOA
TEAMSHEETS				
Tristan SAILOR	1	FB	1	Sualauvi FA'ALOGO
Corey OATES	2	W	2	Will WARBRICK
Selwyn COBBO	3	C	3	Jack HOWARTH
Deine MARINER	4	C	4	Nick MEANEY
Jesse ARTHARS	5	W	22	Xavier COATES
Josh ROGERS	6	FE	6	Cameron MUNSTER
Adam REYNOLDS (c)	7	HB	7	Jahrome HUGHES
Corey JENSEN	8	FR	8	Nelson ASOFA-SOLOMONA
Billy WALTERS	9	HK	9	Harry GRANT (c)
Fletcher BAKER	10	FR	10	Josh KING
Jaiyden HUNT	11	2R	11	Shawn BLORE
Jordan RIKI	12	2R	12	Eliesa KATOA
Patrick CARRIGAN	13	L	13	Trent LOIERO
Blake MOZER	14	B	14	Tyran WISHART
Kobe HETHERINGTON	15	B	16	Tui KAMIKAMICA
Benjamin TE KURA	16	B	17	Alec MacDONALD
Martin TAUPAU	17	B	20	Lazarus VAALEPU
Kevin WALTERS		HC		Craig BELLAMY

Date: Thu, 5th September. Kickoff: 7:50 PM. Halftime: Melbourne 28-6. Penalties: Melbourne 5-2. Referee: Todd Smith. Crowd: 35,086.

EELS AVOID THE SPOON WITH ELECTRIC WIN OVER DESPONDENT TIGERS

AJ LUCANTONIO

The Parramatta Eels have emphatically won the Spoon Bowl, avoiding last position with a ruthless 60-26 victory over the Wests Tigers who have won their third successive wooden spoon.

Spoon Bowl brought the rugby league community much joy. But we soon remembered why these teams were playing for this valuable prize as the first half consisted of some disappointing mistakes. It was a poor start to the game, especially from the Tigers with several careless errors. As a result, Parramatta didn't waste their third successive set inside the Tigers 20m zone. Some nice work from the departing Blaize Talagi got Maika Sivo one on one with Charlie Staines who Sivo trucked over on his way to the line after eight minutes.

Three minutes later, after earning a penalty and building some sustained possession, the Tigers were able to hit back. Great light-footed runs from Latu Fainu and Heath Mason got the Tigers on the front foot. It was then the green light for the Lachlan Galvin show, clever grubber by Galvin found Josh Feledy on the bounce and the Tigers hit back. Parramatta continued giving the Tigers quality field position after the kick-off went out on the full. Galvin continued his terrorising attacking raid with a second try-assist in as many sets as he fired a bullet ball to Junior Tupou who crossed to give the Tigers a 10-6 lead after 15 minutes.

Parramatta didn't let the two successive tries get in their way. After building pressure of their own, Daejarn Asi took advantage of some disappointing edge defence to cross out wide for the Eels and we were evenly poised midway through the first half of Spoon Bowl 24'. Parramatta regained the lead just before the half-hour mark. Dylan Brown caused all sorts of issues for some fatigued defenders before getting the ball away to Brendan Hands who gets off the nudie run for 2024.

Right before half-time, a terrifying Asi bomb caused all sorts of problems for the Tigers at the back. Heath Mason let it bounce, Reagan Campbell-Gillard recovered it and was in dire straits with what to do. He found Will Penisini who breaks his way through some tackles to score and Parramatta led 22-10 at the break.

The Tigers started the first half poorly as they looked to throw the footy around. An inside ball from Latu Fainu was intercepted by Bryce Cartwright, he thought better than to run the length and found Penisini to cross for his double. Following a speculator bomb from Mason, he got revenge as Sivo lost the ball and the Tigers built some pressure. A bounce pass from Koroisau landed in the lap of Latu Fainu and the Tigers got back into this ball game.

The comeback was put on ice after Api Koroisau was pinned and sin-binned for a spear tackle on Clint Gutherson. On the ensuing set, Asi's cross-field kick is a contest initially between Penisini and Feledy. Feledy looked to be taken off the ball in the aftermath of the contest, however it was cleared by the Bunker after a lengthy review. Cartwright was jolly on the spot to score and the Eels immediately capitalised on being down to 12 men.

On the next set, Parramatta charged through the Tigers reduced middle and the home side had their hands on a third straight spoon. A late offload from Kelma Tuilagi allowed Sivo to redeem his earlier sin and he charged across for his second try. Parramatta sealed the game just after the hour mark, a poor pass from dummy half allowed Gutherson into



space. The brave Parra fullback went straight through to put the exclamation point on this fixture.

Parramatta were running out of players with Asi, Brown and Penisini all coming off the field injured in the second half. The Tigers were also down Latu Fainu who went for a HIA. The home side got the first of many tries needed for an unlikely miracle when Isaiah Papali'i charged across from short-range after a good carry from debutant Tony Sukkar. However, the next set put any end to that as the Eels capitalised on a cheap turn-over and it was Reagan Campbell-Gillard who scored in what could be his last match. Joey Lussick added some late score-board inflation after a brilliant grubber from Cartwright. Wests finished 2024 in style with a late try to Charlie Staines but it was in vein as the Tigers were thrashed emphatically in this fixture.

WESTS TIGERS	26	-	60	PARRAMATTA
Latu FAINU		T	2	Clinton GUTHERSON
Josh FELEDY			2	Will PENISINI
Isaiah PAPALI'I			2	Maika SIVO
Charlie STAINES				Daejarn ASI
Junior TUPOU				Reagan CAMPBELL-GILLARD
				Bryce CARTWRIGHT
				Brendan HANDS
				Joey LUSSICK
Apisai KOROISAU	2/3	G	6/9	Daejarn ASI
Heath MASON	1/1		1/1	Reagan CAMPBELL-GILLARD
Latu FAINU	0/1		1/1	Clinton GUTHERSON
Apisai KOROISAU		BIN		
TEAMSHEETS				
Heath MASON	1	FB	1	Clinton GUTHERSON (c)
Junior TUPOU	2	W	2	Maika SIVO
Solomona FAATAAPE	3	C	3	Will PENISINI
Josh FELEDY	4	C	4	Blaize TALAGI
Charlie STAINES	5	W	5	Sean RUSSELL
Lachlan GALVIN	6	FE	6	Dylan BROWN
Latu FAINU	14	HB	7	Daejarn ASI
Stefano UTOIKAMANU	8	FR	8	Reagan CAMPBELL-GILLARD
Apisai KOROISAU (c)	9	HK	9	Brendan HANDS
David KLEMMER	10	FR	17	Ofahiki OGDEN
Alex SEYFARTH	11	2R	11	Kelma TUILAGI
Samuela FAINU	12	2R	12	Bryce CARTWRIGHT
Isaiah PAPALI'I	13	L	13	Joe OFAHENGAUE
Sione FAINU	15	B	10	Shaun LANE
Fonua POLE	16	B	14	Joey LUSSICK
Alex TWAL	17	B	15	Makahesi MAKATOA
Tanous SUKKAR	22	B	16	Luca MORETTI
Benji MARSHALL		HC		Trent BARRETT

Date: Fri, 6th September. Kickoff: 6:00 PM. Halftime: Parramatta 22-10. Penalties: Wests Tigers 5-4. Referee: Peter Gough. Crowd: 17,311.

ROOSTERS RETAIN RON COOTE CUP - BUT NOT CONVINCINGLY

JOSH ROBERTSON

The Sydney Roosters have retained the Ron Coote Cup with an unconvincing 36-28 victory over the South Sydney Rabbitohs at Accor Stadium.

It wasn't a crisp start for either side with errors and ill-discipline taking away any momentum but for the Roosters it came after just seven minutes when new cult hero Mark Nawaqnitawase flew through the air to outjump Tyrone Munro to score the first for the Roosters.

Souths hit back soon after when Jye Gray sliced through after the Roosters defence failed to number up and Nawaqnitawase slipped letting Gray have a saloon passage. Being within just two points didn't last long for South Sydney as Jacob Gagai rushed off his wing to give Junior Pauga free passage to the corner.

Souths though were able to hit back five minutes later when Cody Walker went through the middle of some soft defence. Damien Cook's conversion put Souths level at 10-10.

The Roosters though didn't let Souths stay level for too long when Jacob Gagai again rushed up off his wing and left Junior Pauga to score his second of the night and despite the conversion missing the tricolours had a 14-10 lead.

Any hopes of Souths making an unlikely upset happen were quickly blown away as the Roosters put two quick tries on the board inside ten minutes when Sitili Tupouniua and Angus Crichton both went through very softly. A third try that was initially given on field by Grant Atkins was overturned so the Roosters could only lead 26-10.

That lead was extended twice more in quick succession when James Tedesco went through to score and then Junior Pauga scored his third of the night but injured his knee in the process. The Roosters managed one of two conversions to open up a 36-10 lead.

Souths then had a try disallowed for an obstruction but it didn't matter much because Tyrone Munro went 95m upfield again after a Roosters kick was tapped backwards but straight into the arms of Munro who despite not being fully fit went the length of the field to score.

Tom Burgess then capped off his final Souths game with a four pointer and he even converted it somewhat unconvincingly to close the gap to 14 points before Jye Gray picked up his second to close the gap to 10 and then the final 8 point margin after Dean Hawkins converted.



28 - 36

Accor Stadium, Sydney Olympic Park / Wanngal



The win for the Roosters made sure they locked up a clash against the Panthers next week in Week 1 of the finals, whilst Souths look forward to their second Bennett eras as their season comes to an end.

SOUTH SYDNEY	28	-	36	SYDNEY
Jye GRAY	2	T	3	Junior PAUGA
Thomas BURGESS			2	James TEDESCO
Tyrone MUNRO				Mark NAWAQANITAWASE
Cody WALKER				Sitili TUPOUNIUA
Damien COOK	2/3	G	4/7	Joseph-Aukuso SUA'ALI'I
Thomas BURGESS	1/1			
Dean HAWKINS	1/1			
TEAMSHEETS				
Jye GRAY	1	FB	1	James TEDESCO (c)
Tyrone MUNRO	2	W	2	Junior PAUGA
Taane MILNE	3	C	3	Joseph-Aukuso SUA'ALI'I
Richard KENNAR	4	C	4	Joseph MANU
Jacob GAGAI	5	W	20	Mark NAWAQANITAWASE
Cody WALKER (c)	6	FE	6	Luke KEARY
Dean HAWKINS	7	HB	7	Sandon SMITH
Davy MOALE	13	FR	8	Spencer LENIU
Damien COOK	9	HK	9	Connor WATSON
Thomas BURGESS	10	FR	17	Terrell MAY
Keaon KOLOAMATANGI	11	2R	11	Angus CRICHTON
Jacob HOST	12	2R	12	Sitili TUPOUNIUA
Tallis DUNCAN	8	L	13	Naufahu WHYTE
Peter MAMOUZELOS	14	B	14	Zach DOCKAR-CLAY
Liam LE BLANC	15	B	15	Siuu WONG
Sean KEPPIE	16	B	16	De La Salle VA'A
Siliva HAVILI	17	B	19	Blake STEEP
Ben HORNBY		HC		Trent ROBINSON

Date: Fri, 6th September. Kickoff: 8:00 PM. Halftime: Sydney 14-10.
Penalties: Sydney 9-7. Referee: Grant Atkins. Crowd: 19,674.

RESOLVE GETS THE RAIDERS HOME IN COMEBACK WIN

ROB CROSBY

The Canberra Raiders have finished their 2024 campaign on a high after defeating the St George Illawarra Dragons 26-24 at Kogarah on Saturday afternoon.

Fighting back from an 18-0 deficit inside the opening 11 minutes to extend their record over the joint venture to eight wins from their past ten matches, an audacious kick by Corey Horsburgh in the dying stages saw the Raiders reap the rewards of a victory built on resolve.

Getting off to a dream start with Zac Lomax soaring onto a Ben Hunt bomb and finding Tom Eisenhuth (1st minute) in support, the Dragons continued their attacking assault when Jacob Liddle (9th minute) carried three defenders over the line before making an incisive run in the following set which allowed Hunt to thread through a grubber kick for Jaydn Su'A (11th minute) to establish an 18-0 lead.

The Raiders got in on the point-scoring action with Danny Levi (15th minute) pouncing on a Jamal Fogarty kick only for the Dragons to respond moments later through Lykhan King-Togia (19th minute) who collected his first try in the top grade.

A successful challenge gave the Raiders the field position needed for Xavier Savage (24th minute) to round out the first half scoring as the hosts took a 24-10 lead to the sheds.

Both sides showed greater application to defence after halftime however the Raiders were the only ones to prove as effective in attack with Albert Hopoate (47th minute) outpacing Lomax and Hudson Young (61st minute) bursting into space to narrow the margin to four points heading into the final quarter.

A moment of individual brilliance from Horsburgh (77th minute), who regathered his own grubber kick, gave Kaeo Weekes the opportunity to put the Raiders ahead for the first time with a successful conversion.

Lomax attempted to tie the game up with a two-point field goal on full-time only for his final act as a Dragons player to be charged down, leaving the 11,189 supporters in attendance to lament an improved season undone by a catastrophic choke over the final fortnight.

24 - 26

Netstrata Jubilee Stadium, Carlton / Bidjagal

The win sees the Raiders bring their final win-loss record to 50%, in defiance of pre-season expectations, to remain a mathematical chance of clinching 8th position should the Knights and Dolphins play out a draw in the final match of the home-and-away season tomorrow afternoon.

ST GEO ILLA	24	-	26	CANBERRA
Tom EISENHUTH		T		Albert HOPOATE
Lykhan KING-TOGIA				Corey HORSBURGH
Jacob LIDDLE				Danny LEVI
Jaydn SU'A				Xavier SAVAGE
				Hudson YOUNG
Zac LOMAX	4/4	G	3/5	Kaeo WEEKES
TEAMSHEETS				
Tyrell SLOAN	1	FB	1	Kaeo WEEKES
Zac LOMAX	2	W	2	Albert HOPOATE
Moses SULI	3	C	3	Matthew TIMOKO
Savelio TAMALE	20	C	4	Sebastian KRIS
Mathew FEAGAI	5	W	5	Xavier SAVAGE
Lykhan KING-TOGIA	6	FE	6	Ethan STRANGE
Ben HUNT (c)	7	HB	7	Jamal FOGARTY
Francis MOLO	8	FR	15	Corey HORSBURGH
Jacob LIDDLE	9	HK	14	Danny LEVI
Jack DE BELIN	10	FR	10	Joseph TAPINE (c)
Luciano LEILUA	11	2R	11	Hudson YOUNG
Jaydn SU'A	12	2R	12	Simi SASAGI
Tom EISENHUTH	13	L	13	Morgan SMITHIES
Connor MUHLEISEN	14	B	8	Josh PAPALII
Toby COUCHMAN	15	B	9	Tom STARLING
Blake LAWRIE	16	B	16	Ata MARIOTA
Raymond FAITALA-MARINER	17	B	17	Trey MOONEY
Shane FLANAGAN		HC		Ricky STUART

Date: Sat, 7th September. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: St George Illawarra 24-10.
Penalties: Canberra 5-4. Referee: Wyatt Raymond. Crowd: 11,189.

NRL ROUND 27 WRAP

COWBOYS PLEAD THE FIFTH AS CANTERBURY CRUMBLE

TIM COSTELLO & AJ LUCANTONIO

North Queensland have wrapped up fifth place and secured a home elimination final after destroying the Bulldogs 44-6 at Accor Stadium on Saturday.

With the hosts missing a couple of key players - most notably Matt Burton - leading into the contest, it looked like it would be an uphill battle to retain fifth place. That would prove true within 12 minutes when a penalty goal handed the visitors an early 2-0 lead.

The 20-minute mark saw the first try of the day - Kyle Feldt's 149th in the NRL in his final regular season game for the club he helped deliver the 2015 premiership. Heilum Luki extended that lead on the half hour mark for a 14-0 lead before the hearts of the 32,000+ strong at Accor broke further when Scott Drinkwater took advantage once more right on the break. Subsequently, the home team went into halftime 20-0 behind.

The second half began just the way the first ended with some horrific edge defence as Luki continued to tear the Bulldogs apart. Fortunately, the Cowboys gave the NRL a masterclass on how to butcher a try when some poor interchange of passing denied them scoring chances. In the first 15 minutes of the second stanza, some quick hands down the right hand edge and Kyle Feldt capitalises to score out in the right corner.

Three minutes later, the mountain to come back immediately got that much higher. Canterbury panicked and put excess pressure on Drinkwater, he passed to Holmes and he chipped over the top. Holmes regathers, takes possession from Tracey and the Cowboys have put 30 on the Dogs for the second successive week.

Canterbury crossed for their solitary try when a bomb was dropped by Drinkwater. Sexton eventually collected the ball after a sequence that rivalled Benny Hill and the Dogs had their only try of the game. The more the Dogs tried, the more they struggled to come back. A Tracey pass was intercepted by Murray Taulagi and the flying Cowboys winger raced away to put the game beyond doubt. The Cowboys immediately targeted the weakened right edge as Kiraz was holding an arm injury, a beautiful pass out wide saw Taulagi finish with a second try and a 44-6 verdict.



6 - 44



Accor Stadium, Sydney Olympic Park / Wanngal

CANTERBURY	6	-	44	NORTH QLD
Toby SEXTON		T	2	Kyle FELDT
			2	Murray TAULAGI
				Scott DRINKWATER
				Valentine HOLMES
				Heilum LUKI
Stephen CRICHTON	1/1	G	8/8	Valentine HOLMES
TEAMSHEETS				
Connor TRACEY	1	FB	1	Scott DRINKWATER
Eli CLARK	21	W	2	Kyle FELDT
Jacob KIRAZ	3	C	3	Valentine HOLMES
Stephen CRICHTON (c)	4	C	4	Viliami VAILEA
Jonathan SUA	23	W	5	Murray TAULAGI
Drew HUTCHISON	6	FE	6	Tom DEARDEN (c)
Toby SEXTON	7	HB	7	Jake CLIFFORD
Max KING	8	FR	14	Sam McINTYRE
Reed MAHONEY	9	HK	9	Reece ROBSON
Samuel HUGHES	10	FR	10	Jason TAUMALOLO
Viliame KIKAU	11	2R	11	Heilum LUKI
Jacob PRESTON	12	2R	12	Jeremiah NANAI
Jaeman SALMON	13	L	13	Reuben COTTER
Bailey HAYWARD	14	B	15	Thomas MIKAELE
Kurtis MORRIN	15	B	16	Harrison EDWARDS
Harry HAYES	16	B	17	Griffin NEAME
Josh CURRAN	17	B	20	Kulikefu FINEFEUIAKI
Cameron CIRALDO		HC		Todd PAYTEN

Date: Sat, 7th September. Kickoff: 5:30 PM. Halftime: North Qld 20-0.
Penalties: North Qld 5-4. Referee: Gerard Sutton. Crowd: 32,437.

NRL MATCH REVIEW & JUDICIARY ROUND 27

Player	Club	Grade	Charge	On Who	Base	Offence #	Guilty	Early plea	Plea	RESULT
Eliesa KATO	Melbourne	1	Careless High Tackle	Tristan Sailor	\$1500	2nd	\$2500	\$1800	Guilty - early plea	\$1800
Apisai KOROISAU	Wests Tigers	2	Dangerous Throw	Clint Gutherson	3 matches	2nd	4 matches	3 matches	Guilty - early plea	3 MATCHES
Angus CRICHTON	Sydney	1	Dangerous Contact	Tallis Duncan	\$1500	2nd	\$2500	\$1800	Guilty - early plea	\$1800
Siuua WONG	Sydney	1	Careless High Tackle	Taane Milne	\$1500	1st	\$1500	\$1000	Guilty - early plea	\$1000
Jack de BELIN	St Geo Illa	1	Dangerous Contact	Joseph Tapine	\$1500	2nd	\$2500	\$1800	Guilty - early plea	\$1800
Hudson YOUNG	Canberra	1	Careless High Tackle	Jack de Belin	\$1500	2nd	\$2500	\$1800	Guilty - early plea	\$1800
Viliame KIKAU	Canterbury	1	Dangerous Contact	Jake Clifford	\$1500	3rd+	2 matches	\$3000	Guilty - early plea	\$3000
Kieran FORAN	Gold Coast	1	Careless High Tackle	Sunia Turuva	\$1500	1st ^	\$1000	\$750	Guilty - early plea	\$750
		1	Careless High Tackle	Jarome Luai	\$1500	1st ^	\$1000	\$750	Guilty - early plea	\$750
Teig WILTON	Cronulla	1	Dangerous Contact	Haumole Olakau'atu	\$1500	1st	\$1500	\$1000	Guilty - early plea	\$1000
Jesse BROMWICH	Dolphins	2	Dangerous Contact	Kalyn Pona	2 matches	1st	2 matches	1 match	Guilty - early plea	1 MATCH

Offences are counted in last 10 games for Grade 1 offences, last 20 games for Grade 2 offences, and last 30 games for Grade 3 offences
^ Denotes 3 year incident free discount ~ Development player - is able to opt for a 1 match suspension instead of monetary fine

DISMAL PANTHERS SNEAK HOME

ANDREW FERGUSON

Defending Premiers Penrith Panthers tonight snuck home to an unimpressive 6 point win against the lowly Gold Coast Titans, in the 650th NRL game played at BlueBet Stadium.

Penrith got off to a good and early lead after just 7 minutes when Dylan Edwards received a bad ball, shaped to pass but held it with the defence on him. He then slipped the tackle of Brian Kelly before firing a pass to Brian To'o who scored in the corner. Paul Alamoti failed to convert from the sideline.

The Titans replied 10 minutes later when Jayden Campbell picked up a loose ball then produced some great sidesteps to get into the clear before racing away to score a good solo try. He converted his own try to give the Titans the lead.

Some ill-disciplined and unimaginative play by both sides saw the scores unchanged at halftime.

Three minutes after play resumed, Edwards ran back on the inside, dodged a bunch of flat-footed defenders to score a soft solo try near the posts. Alamoti converted.

Five minutes later, Jarome Luai put in a delicate grubber near the Titans line, which bounced up perfectly for Luke Garner, who regathered and scored. Alamoti again converted and it looked like the Panthers attack had finally woken up.

The Bunker denied the Panthers a try in the 59th minute and then they denied the Titans a try less than 2 minutes later. Then they denied Alamoti a try in the 63rd minute.

The Titans narrowed the margin in the 70th minute when a stray pass by the Panthers, 5 metres from the Titans line, went behind everyone. Alofiana Khan-Pereira cleaned it up and raced 90 metres to score a much needed try. Campbell converted.

In the 75th minute, Luai copped a high shot and Alamoti kicked a penalty goal. Both sides traded knock-ons and other assorted errors before father time put this one to bed, Penrith winning 18-12.

18 - 12

Penrith Park, Penrith / Dharug

PENRITH	18	-	12	GOLD COAST
Dylan EDWARDS		T		Jayden CAMPBELL
Luke GARNER				Alofiana KHAN-PEREIRA
Brian TO'O				
Paul ALAMOTI	3/4	G	2/2	Jayden CAMPBELL
TEAMSHEETS				
Dylan EDWARDS	1	FB	6	Jayden CAMPBELL
Sunia TURUVA	2	W	2	Alofiana KHAN-PEREIRA
Izack TAGO	3	C	3	Brian KELLY
Paul ALAMOTI	4	C	4	Beau FERMOR
Brian TO'O	5	W	5	Sosefo FIFITA
Brad SCHNEIDER	6	FE	19	Tanah BOYD
Jarome LUAI	7	HB	7	Kieran FORAN (c)
Moses LEOTA	8	FR	8	Moeaki FOTUAIKA
Mitch KENNY	9	HK	9	Sam VERRILLS
James FISHER-HARRIS	10	FR	10	Jaimin JOLLIFFE
Scott SORENSEN	11	2R	11	Chris RANDALL
Liam MARTIN	12	2R	17	Arama HAU
Isaah YEO (c)	13	L	13	Isaac LIU
Trent TOELAU	14	B	12	Klese HAAS
Lindsay SMITH	15	B	14	Jacob ALICK
Liam HENRY	16	B	15	Erin CLARK
Luke GARNER	17	B	16	Keenan PALASIA
Ivan CLEARY		HC		Des HASLER

Date: Sat, 7th September. Kickoff: 7:35 PM. Halftime: Gold Coast 6-4.
Penalties: Penrith 7-4. Referee: Chris Butler. Crowd: 21,525.

MANLY LET HOME GROUND ADVANTAGE SLIP IN BIG LOSS

JOSH ROBERTSON

The chance of hosting a Week 1 final slipped through the fingers of the Manly Sea Eagles after suffering a heavy 40-20 loss to the Cronulla Sharks.

Manly had thought they had initially scored first when Lehi Hopoate got to a grubber kick first and despite it being initially awarded by Adam Gee, it was overturned with Hopoate knocking on.

The ball went up the other end quickly and Sione Katoa found his way to the corner to score, Nicho failed to convert. Things then looked up for the hosts as they were able to put two unconverted tries on the board in quick succession when Tommy Talau went over on the left and then Fulalalo won a battle in the air to score on the right.

The Sharks then took the lead back when the bunker gave the all clear to a Ronaldo Mulitalo try after some questions on whether the ball travelled forward or backwards. Things were unravelling for Manly as a late tackle from Matt Lodge put Cronulla into attacking position.

They couldn't score as they were denied by the officials after Sione Katoa wasn't able to get the ball down in the corner but they did finally get another four pointer on the stroke of half-time when Jack Williams crashed over under the sticks.

Second half didn't get better for the Sea Eagles as they couldn't take an advantage of an attacking set on the Sharks line after a high tackle penalty against Jesse Ramien as well as a Ronaldo Mulitalo knock on. The Shire side then went down the other end of the field and went bang bang with two more tries in a five minute period when Ronaldo Mulitalo picked up his second and a lack of defensive urgency from Manly let Daniel Atkinson through to ground a grubber kick.

Cronulla had opened a 20 point lead before a slight sniff of a comeback appeared for Manly when Haumole Olakau'atu crashed over and Reuben Garrick converted to close the gap down to 14 points.

The comeback hopes were dashed when the Sharks pushed the margin out to 20 when Briton Nikora scored the first of his double and then out to 24 after he picked up his second in quick succession.



20 - 40

4 Pines Park, Brookvale / Cammeraygal



A late consolation try to the Sea Eagles rewarded Tolu Koula for a strong game at fullback today despite the scoreline.

Next week, the Sharks will be wanting to use this confidence to take on Melbourne a side they've already beaten this season in their qualifying final whilst Manly will rue losing the home ground opportunity next week as they take on the Bulldogs at Accor Stadium.

MANLY	20	-	40	CRONULLA
Clayton FAULALO		T	2	Ronaldo MULITALO
Toluta'u KOULA			2	Briton NIKORA
Haumole OLAKAU'ATU				Daniel ATKINSON
Tommy TALAU				Sione KATOA
				Jack WILLIAMS
Reuben GARRICK	2/4	G	6/7	Nicho HYNES
TEAMSHEETS				
Toluta'u KOULA	1	FB	1	William KENNEDY
Clayton FAULALO	2	W	2	Sione KATOA
Tommy TALAU	3	C	3	Jesse RAMIEN
Reuben GARRICK	4	C	4	Kayal IRO
Lehi HOPOATE	5	W	5	Ronaldo MULITALO
Luke BROOKS	6	FE	6	Braydon TRINDALL
Daly CHERRY-EVANS (c)	7	HB	7	Nicho HYNES
Taniela PASEKA	8	FR	8	Toby RUDOLF
Lachlan CROKER	9	HK	9	Blayne BRAILEY
Matt LODGE	10	FR	16	Royce HUNT
Haumole OLAKAU'ATU	11	2R	11	Briton NIKORA
Karl LAWTON	12	2R	12	Teig WILTON
Jake TRBOJEVIC	13	L	13	Cameron McINNES (c)
Ben TRBOJEVIC	14	B	14	Daniel ATKINSON
Josh ALOIAI	15	B	15	Jack WILLIAMS
Ethan BULLEMOR	16	B	17	Thomas HAZELTON
Nathan BROWN	17	B	19	Siosifa TALAKAI
Anthony SEIBOLD		HC		Craig FITZGIBBON

Date: Sun, 8th September. Kickoff: 2:00 PM. Halftime: Cronulla 16-8.
Penalties: Manly 8-3. Referee: Adam Gee. Crowd: 17,384.

NEWCASTLE INTO FINALS FOOTY AS DOLPHINS SEASON SINKS AT FINAL HURDLE

RHYS SULLIVAN

A five-star performance by Kalyn Ponga has lifted the Knights into the final top 8 spot with a 14-6 win over the Dolphins.

Both teams were locked in an arm wrestle to start the game, before the Dolphins thought they struck first through Trai Fuller. But it was denied due to a controversial obstruction by Connelly Lemuelu saw Trai's try taken off the board. Not long after Newcastle scored when Kalyn Ponga pounced on a quick play the ball to setup Adam Elliott.

The rest of the first half was relatively uneventful, but the second half started perfectly for Newcastle when Ponga pulled off a moment of individual brilliance by skipping across seven Dolphins defenders before hitting Brodie Jones for the Knights' second. Around 10 minutes later Ponga added on a penalty goal to give the Knights an imposing 14-0 lead.

The Dolphins again got close to another try when Jeremy Marshall-King was taken out of a chase, but a knock on by Jack Bostock ruled out any chance of a penalty try. When Jesse Bromwich was sin binned in the 68th minute, any hope of a Dolphins miracle seemed lost, but a Hamiso Tabuai-Fidow try gave them a glimmer. However, their final phases could not deliver, and the Dolphins season fell at the final hurdle.

It's the first time Wayne Bennett has missed the finals in back-to-back seasons, and also an end to the career of the senior Bromwich brother after a 15-season career. The Knights meanwhile will head to Townsville to take on the Cowboys in the hopes of extending their campaign.

Steel city lives on!

Illustration by The Biggest Tiger



14 - 6



McDonald Jones Stadium, New Lambton / Awabakal

NEWCASTLE	14	-	6	DOLPHINS
Adam ELLIOTT		T		Hamiso TABUAI-FIDOW
Brodie JONES				
Kalyn PONGA	3/3	G	1/1	Jamayne ISAAKO
		BIN		Jesse BROMWICH
TEAMSHEETS				
Kalyn PONGA (c)	1	FB	1	Trai FULLER
Fletcher SHARPE	2	W	2	Jamayne ISAAKO
Dane GAGAI	3	C	3	Hamiso TABUAI-FIDOW
Bradman BEST	4	C	4	Herbie FARNWORTH
Greg MARZHEW	5	W	5	Jack BOSTOCK
Jack COGGER	6	FE	6	Jake AVERILLO
Phoenix CROSSLAND	7	HB	7	Sean O'SULLIVAN
Daniel SAIFITI	8	FR	8	Jesse BROMWICH (c)
Jayden BRAILEY	9	HK	9	Max PLATH
Leo THOMPSON	10	FR	10	Tevita PANGAI JUNIOR
Tyson FRIZELL	11	2R	11	Felise KAUFUSI
Dylan LUCAS	12	2R	12	Connelly LEMUELU
Adam ELLIOTT	13	L	16	Mark NICHOLLS
Tyson GAMBLE	14	B	13	Kenny BROMWICH
Mat CROKER	15	B	14	Jeremy MARSHALL-KING
Jack HETHERINGTON	16	B	15	Ray STONE
Brodie JONES	17	B	17	Kodi NIKORIMA
Adam O'BRIEN		HC		Wayne BENNETT

Date: Sun, 8th September. Kickoff: 4:05 PM. Halftime: Newcastle 6-0.
Penalties: Newcastle 8-3. Referee: Ashley Klein. Crowd: 29,433.



NRL PLAYER OF THE YEAR after Round 27

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 and the Finals Series.

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

- 29 points - Jahrome Hughes (Storm)
- 26 points - James Tedesco (Roosters), Dylan Edwards (Panthers 23, Blues 3)
- 19 points - Ben Hunt (Dragons)
- 18 points - Isaaq Yeo (Panthers)
- 17 points - Reece Walsh (Broncos), Jamal Fogarty (Raiders), Sam Walker (Roosters), Angus Crichton (Roosters 14, Blues 4)
- 16 points - Kalyn Ponga (Knights), Hamiso Tabuai-Fidow (Dolphins 14, Maroons 2)
- 15 points - Keano Kini (Titans), Matt Burton (Bulldogs), Eliesa Katoa (Storm)
- 14 points - Apisai Koroisau (Wests Tigers), Nathan Cleary (Panthers)
- 13 points - Tom Trbojevic (Sea Eagles), Zac Lomax (Dragons), Mitchell Moses (Eels 10, Blues 3)
- 12 points - Tom Dearden (Cowboys), Dylan Brown (Eels), Te Maire Martin (Warriors), Jarome Lui (Panthers 11, Blues 1), Latrell Mitchell (Rabbitohs 11, Blues 1)
- 11 points - Scott Drinkwater (Cowboys), Isaiya Katoa (Dolphins), Harry Grant (Storm), Braydon Trindall (Sharks), Lachlan Galvin (Wests Tigers), Ronaldo Mulitalo (Sharks), AJ Brimston (Titans), Nicho Hynes (Sharks)
- 10 points - Clinton Gutherson (Eels), Herbie Farnworth (Dolphins), Joseph Tapine (Raiders), Shaun Johnson (Warriors), Tyrell Sloan (Dragons), Dane Gagai (Knights), Brian To'o (Panthers), Toby Sexton (Bulldogs)
- 9 points - Adam Reynolds (Broncos), Keaon Koloamatangi (Rabbitohs), Tyran Wishart (Storm), Reece Robson (Cowboys)
- 8 points - Kieran Foran (Titans), Blayke Brailey (Sharks), Connor Tracey (Bulldogs), Jacob Kiraz (Bulldogs), Joseph Manu (Roosters), Reed Mahoney (Bulldogs), Dallin Watene-Zelezniak (Warriors), Jacob Liddle (Dragons), Damien Cook (Rabbitohs), Luke Brooks (Sea Eagles), Josh Curran (Bulldogs), Cody Walker (Rabbitohs)
- 7 points - Ezra Mam (Broncos), Briton Nikora (Sharks), Patrick Carrigan (Broncos), Selwyn Cobbo (Broncos), Valentine Holmes (Cowboys), Addin Fonua-Blake (Warriors), Terrell May (Roosters), Connor Watson (Roosters), Trai Fuller (Dolphins), Jayden Campbell (Titans), Ryan Papenhuyzen (Storm)
- 6 points - Jacob Preston (Bulldogs), Stephen Crichton (Bulldogs), David Fifita (Titans), Hudson Young (Raiders), Kaeo Weekes (Raiders), Daniel Atkinson (Sharks), Daejarn Asi (Eels), Xavier Coates (Storm), Jackson Hastings (Knights), William Kennedy (Sharks), Viliame Kikau (Bulldogs), Max Plath (Dolphins), Jaydn Su'A (Dragons 5, Maroons 1)
- 5 points - Jeremiah Nanai (Cowboys), Thomas Hazelton (Sharks), Sandon Smith (Roosters), James Fisher-Harris (Panthers), Kotoni Staggs (Broncos), Jahream Bula (Wests Tigers), Kayal

Iro (Sharks), Jack Williams (Sharks), Bradman Best (Knights), Adam Elliott (Knights), Haumole Olakau'atu (Sea Eagles), William Warbrick (Storm), Jack Cogger (Knights), Dylan Lucas (Knights), Lehi Hopoate (Sea Eagles), Jordan Rapana (Raiders), Mitchell Barnett (Warriors), Roger Tuivasa-Sheck (Warriors), Reuben Cotter (Cowboys)

4 points - Dominic Young (Roosters), David Armstrong (Knights), Chad Townsend (Cowboys), Elliott Whitehead (Raiders), Kodi Nikorima (Dolphins), Tristan Sailor (Broncos), Jackson Ford (Warriors), Tyson Frizell (Knights), Victor Radley (Roosters), Ethan Strange (Raiders), Heilum Luki (Cowboys), Teig Wilton (Sharks), Morgan Smithies (Raiders), Zac Hosking (Raiders), Josh Addo-Carr (Bulldogs), Jake Clifford (Cowboys), Lindsay Collins (Roosters), Cameron Murray (Rabbitohs)

3 points - Jack de Belin (Dragons), Fletcher Sharpe (Knights), Payne Haas (Broncos), Jesse Ramien (Sharks), Harry Hayes (Bulldogs), Maika Sivo (Eels), Brodie Jones (Knights), Shawn Blore (Storm), Jye Gray (Rabbitohs), Euan Aitken (Dolphins), Jesse Marschke (Dragons), Sualauvi Faalogo (Storm), Jason Saab (Sea Eagles), Kyle Feldt (Cowboys), Reagan Campbell-Gillard (Eels), Moeaki Fotuauka (Titans), Josh King (Storm), Junior Paulo (Eels), Nathan Brown (Sea Eagles), Zac Laybutt (Cowboys), Thomas Flegler (Dolphins), Wayde Egan (Warriors), Charnze Nicoll-Klokstad (Warriors), Matthew Timoko (Raiders), Murray Taulagi (Cowboys), Stefano Utoikamanu (Wests Tigers), Bryce Cartwright (Eels), Cameron Munster (Storm), Jamayne Isaako (Dolphins), Ben Trbojevic (Sea Eagles), Tyson Gamble (Knights), Sione Katoa (Sharks)

2 points - Siosifa Talakai (Sharks), Chanel Harris-Tavita (Warriors), Tommy Talau (Sea Eagles), Corey Waddell (Sea Eagles), Samuela Fainu (Wests Tigers), Taniela Paseka (Sea Eagles), Sitili Tupouniua (Roosters), Tanah Boyd (Titans), Scott Sorensen (Panthers), Tevita Pangai Junior (Dolphins), Grant Anderson (Storm), Izack Tago (Panthers), Jojo Fifita (Titans), Deine Mariner (Broncos), J'maine Hopgood (Eels), Taane Milne (Rabbitohs), Liam Martin (Panthers), Phillip Sami (Titans), Toafofoa Siple (Sea Eagles), Tolutau Koula (Sea Eagles), Luke Keary (Roosters), Billy Walters (Broncos), Jock Madden (Broncos), Taine Tuapiki (Warriors), Luke Garner (Panthers), Jake Trbojevic (Sea Eagles), Isaiah Papali'i (Wests Tigers), Jack Wighton (Rabbitohs)

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

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SF2 ACCOR OR ALLIANZ

L PEN-SYD

W CBY-MAN

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After 204 games over the course of 27 home-and-away rounds, eight teams remain in the race to achieve premiership glory in 2024.

Melbourne, Penrith, Sydney, Cronulla and Newcastle are all back after making the finals last year with North Queensland, Canterbury-Bankstown and Manly returning to stake their claims for September success.

All eight finals contenders have achieved premiership glory in the past – history shows experience will play a major role in determining which side will lift the Provan-Summons trophy on Sunday 6 October as 2024 NRL Premiers.

FINALS EXPERIENCE – CLASS OF 2024

Rank	Player	Finals Appearances	Club
1	Cameron Munster	23	Storm
=2	Jared Waerea-Hargreaves	22	Roosters
	Daniel Tupou	22	Roosters
4	Nelson Asofa-Solomona	20	Storm
=5	Nathan Cleary	19	Panthers
	Isaiah Yeo	19	Panthers
	James Fisher-Harris	19	Panthers
=8	Daly Cherry-Evans	18	Sea Eagles
	Jason Taumalolo	18	Cowboys
10	Luke Keary	17	Roosters
=11	Michael Jennings	16	Roosters
	Dane Gagai	16	Knights
=13	Kyle Feldt	15	Cowboys
	Moses Leota	15	Panthers
=15	Dylan Edwards	14	Panthers
	Brandon Smith**	14	Roosters
=17	Jordan McLean	13	Cowboys
	Christian Welch	13	Storm
	Josh Addo-Carr	13	Bulldogs
	Angus Crichton	13	Roosters
	James Tedesco	13	Roosters
	Scott Sorensen	13	Panthers
	Stephen Crichton	13	Bulldogs
	Liam Martin	13	Panthers
=25	Chad Townsend	12	Cowboys
	Brian To'o	12	Panthers
	Jarome Luai	12	Panthers
=28	Valentine Holmes	11	Cowboys
	Viliame Kikau	11	Bulldogs
	Victor Radley	11	Roosters
	Jahrome Hughes	11	Storm

**Brandon Smith is out for the season with an ACL injury

**Nicho Hynes has the most final appearances for Cronulla (7)

NRL ERA FINALS RECORD (1998 - 2023)

	Finals Matches	Wins	Losses	Win Rate
Storm	58	35	23	60%
Panthers	30	19	11	63%
Roosters	50	29	21	58%
Sharks	29	11	18	38%
Cowboys	29	16	13	55%
Bulldogs	33	17	16	52%
Sea Eagles	30	13	17	43%
Knights	22	8	14	36%

MELBOURNE STORM

Biggest NRL Finals Win: Qualifying Final, 2007 – Storm 40 v Broncos 0

Biggest NRL Finals Loss: Grand Final, 2008 – Storm 0 v Sea Eagles 40

PENRITH PANTHERS

Biggest Win: Preliminary Final, 2023 – Panthers 38 v Storm 4

Biggest Loss: Semi Final, 2010 – Panthers 12 v Roosters 34

SYDNEY ROOSTERS

Biggest NRL Finals Win: Semi Final, 2000 – Roosters 38 v Raiders 10;

Qualifying Final, 2003 Roosters 36 v Knights 8

Biggest NRL Finals Loss: Semi Final, 2021 – Roosters 6 v Sea Eagles 42

CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND SHARKS

Biggest NRL Finals Win: Semi Final, 2001 – Sharks 52 v Bulldogs 10

Biggest NRL Finals Loss: Semi Final, 2015 – Sharks 0 v Cowboys 39

NORTH QUEENSLAND COWBOYS

Biggest NRL Finals Win: Semi Final, 2015 – Cowboys 39 v Sharks 0

Biggest NRL Finals Loss: Qualifying Final, 2005 – Cowboys 6 v Tigers 50

CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN BULLDOGS

Biggest NRL Finals Win: Semi Final, 2003 – Bulldogs 30 v Storm 0

Biggest NRL Finals Loss: Semi Final, 2001 – Bulldogs 10 v Sharks 52

MANLY-WARRINGAH SEA EAGLES

Biggest NRL Finals Win: Grand Final, 2008 – Sea Eagles 40 v Storm 0

Biggest NRL Finals Loss: Semi Final, 2006 – Sea Eagles 0 v Dragons 28;

Qualifying Final, 2009 – Sea Eagles 12 v Storm 40;

Qualifying Final, 2010 – Sea Eagles 0 v Dragons 28;

Preliminary Final, 2012 – Sea Eagles 12 v Storm 40;

Qualifying Final, 2021 – Sea Eagles 12 v Storm 40

NEWCASTLE KNIGHTS

Biggest NRL Finals Win: Qualifying Final, 2001 – Knights 40 v Roosters 6

Biggest NRL Finals Loss: Semi Final, 2006 – Knights 6 v Broncos 50

NRLW 2024 LADDER & STATS LEADERS

LADDER - R7

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.	CRONULLA	3	2	1	-	28	52	-24	4	4	-	-	92	38	54	7	6	1	-	120	90	12	+30	17.14	12.86
2.	SYDNEY	3	3	-	-	82	36	46	4	2	2	-	84	46	38	7	5	2	-	166	82	10	+84	23.71	11.71
3.	BRISBANE	4	3	1	-	120	60	60	3	2	1	-	88	66	22	7	5	2	-	208	126	10	+82	29.71	18.00
4.	NEWCASTLE	4	2	2	-	80	66	14	3	2	1	-	74	50	24	7	4	3	-	154	116	8	+38	22.00	16.57
5.	PARRAMATTA	4	1	3	-	70	110	-40	3	3	-	-	54	26	28	7	4	3	-	124	136	8	-12	17.71	19.43
6.	NORTH QLD	4	3	1	-	79	86	-7	3	1	2	-	40	70	-30	7	4	3	-	119	156	8	-37	17.00	22.29
7.	GOLD COAST	3	2	1	-	60	40	20	4	1	3	-	46	89	-43	7	3	4	-	106	129	6	-23	15.14	18.43
8.	CANBERRA	3	-	3	-	50	78	-28	4	2	2	-	112	108	4	7	2	5	-	162	186	4	-24	23.14	26.57
	ST GEO ILLA	4	-	4	-	56	112	-56	3	2	1	-	94	62	32	7	2	5	-	150	174	4	-24	21.43	24.86
10.	WESTS TIGERS	3	-	3	-	36	88	-52	4	-	4	-	44	106	-62	7	-	7	-	80	194	0	-114	11.43	27.71

TOP TRYSCORERS

Rank	Player	Team	P	T
1	Teagan Berry	St Geo Illa	7	8
2	Madison Bartlett	Canberra	7	7
3	Tamika Upton	Newcastle	7	6
	Julia Robinson	Brisbane	7	6
	Mele Hufanga	Brisbane	7	6
	Emily Bass	Gold Coast	7	6

TOP POINTSCORERS

Rank	Player	Team	P	T	G	FG	Pts
1	Romy Teitzel	Brisbane	7	4	21	-	58
2	Zahara Temara	Canberra	7	2	21	-	50
3	Jocelyn Kelleher	Sydney	7	1	21	-	46
4	Rachael Pearson	Parramatta	7	1	16	-	36
5	Raecene McGregor	St Geo Illa	7	-	17	-	34
	Lauren Brown	Gold Coast	7	3	11	-	34

TOP GOALKICKERS

Rank	Player	Team	P	G/A	%
1	Zahara Temara	Canberra	7	21 / 30	70%
	Jocelyn Kelleher	Sydney	7	21 / 30	70%
	Romy Teitzel	Brisbane	7	21 / 37	57%
4	Raecene McGregor	St Geo Illa	7	17 / 28	61%
5	Rachael Pearson	Parramatta	7	16 / 24	67%
6	Kirra Dibb	North QLD	7	15 / 22	68%

NRLW MATCH REVIEW & JUDICIARY ROUND 7

Player	Club	Grade	Charge	On Who	Base	Offence #	Guilty	Early plea	Plea	RESULT
Kerehitina MATUA	Canberra	3	Dangerous Contact	Madison Mulhall	3 matches	1st	3 matches	2 matches	Guilty - early plea	2 MATCHES
Emma BARNES	Canberra	1	Dangerous Contact	Steph Hancock	1 match	1st	1 match	Warning	Guilty - early plea	WARNING
Taneka TODHUNTER	Parramatta	1	Dangerous Contact	Lauren Brown	1 match	2nd +	2 matches	1 match~	Guilty - early plea	\$400
Lindsay TUI	Parramatta	1	Dangerous Contact	Lauren Brown	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

NRLW PLAYER OF THE YEAR *after Round 7*

Our writers issue points every game for who they judge as the best player on the field.

10 points - Tamika Upton (Knights)

9 points - Tiana Penitani (Sharks), Kennedy Cherrington (Eels)

8 points - Teagan Berry (Dragons)

7 points - Elsie Albert (Eels), Evania Pelite (Titans)

6 points - Tarryn Aiken (Roosters), Kirra Dibb (Cowboys)

5 points - Lauren Brown (Titans), Simaima Taufa (Raiders), Julia Robinson (Broncos), Jessica Sergis (Roosters), Hayley Maddick (Broncos)

4 points - Jakiya Whitfeld (Cowboys), Isabelle Kelly (Roosters), Annessa Biddle (Sharks), Stacey Waaka (Broncos), Alexis Tauaneai (Dragons), Ellie Johnston (Sharks), Oliivia Kernick (Roosters), Rachael Pearson (Eels)

3 points - Grace Kemp (Raiders), Tahlulah Tillett (Cowboys), Ali Brigginsshaw (Broncos), Tiana Raftstrand-Smith (Cowboys), Talei Holmes (Sharks), Emma Tonegato (Sharks), Mele Hufanga (Broncos), Romy Teitzel (Broncos), Hannah Southwell (Knights), Georgia Hale (Titans), Quincy Dodd (Sharks), Lilly-Ann White (Knights), Jocelyn Kelleher (Roosters), Zahara Temara (Raiders), Sheridan Gallagher (Knights)

2 points - Lavinia Tauhalaliku (Cowboys), Abigail Roache (Knights), Chelsea Lenarduzzi (Broncos), Abbi Church (Eels), Shanae Ciesiolka (Broncos), Amber Hall (Roosters), Angelina Teakaraanga Katoa (Dragons), Madison Bartlett (Raiders), Christian Pio (Wests Tigers), Otesa Pule (Roosters), Tafito Lafaele (Broncos), Brooke Anderson (Sharks), Rory Owen (Eels)

1 point - Sophie Holyman (Raiders), Sarina Masaga (Titans), Ash Quinlan (Raiders), Rikeya Horne (Wests Tigers), Sam Bremner (Roosters), Jesse Southwell (Knights), Millie Elliott (Roosters), Mackenzie Wiki (Raiders), Kezie Apps (Wests Tigers), Emily Bass (Titans), Lily Peacock (Cowboys), Tazmin Rapana (Broncos), Rosemarie Beckett (Eels), Keilee Joseph (Broncos), Jasmine Peters (Cowboys), Raecene McGregor (Dragons), Tess Staines (Wests Tigers), Laishon Albert-Jones (Knights), Shannon Mato (Titans), Shanice Parker (Knights)

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	20 - 4	Industree Group	1,898
AUG 10	Sat 12:45pm	CANBERRA	CRONULLA	12 - 24	GIO Stadium	5,831
AUG 11	Sun 12:00pm	NORTH QLD	PARRAMATTA	6 - 20	Totally Workwear	1,393
AUG 11	Sun 1:45pm	BRISBANE	GOLD COAST	44 - 4	Totally Workwear	1,788
AUG 11	Sun 6:10pm	NEWCASTLE	ST GEO ILLA	10 - 18	McDonald Jones	9,479

ROUND 4

AUG 17	Sat 11:05am	BRISBANE	CANBERRA	28 - 22	Totally Workwear	
AUG 17	Sat 12:45pm	NORTH QLD	GOLD COAST	11 - 10	QLD Country Bank	1,458
AUG 18	Sun 12:00pm	ST GEO ILLA	SYDNEY	8 - 28	WIN Stadium	
AUG 18	Sun 1:45pm	CRONULLA	NEWCASTLE	14 - 12	Pointsbet Stadium	
AUG 18	Sun 6:10pm	WESTS TIGERS	PARRAMATTA	10 - 12	Campbelltown	

ROUND 5

AUG 24	Sat 11:05am	PARRAMATTA	NEWCASTLE	16 - 36	Eric Tweedale	
AUG 24	Sat 12:45pm	CANBERRA	NORTH QLD	18 - 28	GIO Stadium	4,177
AUG 25	Sun 12:00pm	GOLD COAST	SYDNEY	26 - 6	Cbus Super	
AUG 25	Sun 1:45pm	WESTS TIGERS	BRISBANE	14 - 44	Leichhardt Oval	1,022
AUG 25	Sun 6:10pm	ST GEO ILLA	CRONULLA	4 - 28	WIN Stadium	3,741

ROUND 6

AUG 31	Sat 11:05am	GOLD COAST	CRONULLA	6 - 22	Cbus Super Stadium	
AUG 31	Sat 12:45pm	PARRAMATTA	ST GEO ILLA	14 - 42	CommBank Stadium	
SEP 1	Sun 12:00pm	NEWCASTLE	WESTS TIGERS	34 - 6	McDonald Jones	
SEP 1	Sun 1:45pm	BRISBANE	NORTH QLD	38 - 12	Totally Workwear	
SEP 1	Sun 6:10pm	SYDNEY	CANBERRA	34 - 20	Allianz Stadium	

ROUND 7

SEP 7	Sat 11:05am	NORTH QLD	WESTS TIGERS	24 - 22	QLD Country Bank	1,314
SEP 7	Sat 12:45pm	ST GEO ILLA	CANBERRA	34 - 38	Netstrata	5,570
SEP 8	Sun 12:00pm	CRONULLA	SYDNEY	0 - 40	Pointsbet Stadium	1,901
SEP 8	Sun 1:45pm	PARRAMATTA	GOLD COAST	24 - 14	Eric Tweedale	734
SEP 8	Sun 6:10pm	NEWCASTLE	BRISBANE	24 - 32	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 7 WRAP

COWBOYS DENY TESTING TIGERS A FIRST WIN AJ LUCANTONIO

The North Queensland Cowboys have rebounded nicely following last Sunday's defeat to the Broncos, keeping Brett Kimmorley's Tigers winless in a great game of NRLW football by 24-22.

The Tigers started slowly and failed to capitalise on several sets down the Cowboys end. As a result, the home side crossed for the first try as Lavinia Tauhalaliku was able to get on the outside of defenders to cross down the left sideline. Kirra Dibb's boot was critical in this contest, and she nailed it from touch to make it a 6-0 game. This was doubled soon after as Jakiya Whitfeld scored against her old club, running onto a beautiful pass from Dibb and it was 12-0 early in the contest. Wests did well to stay in touch with the Cowboys and got their reward when Bo Vette-Welsh sliced her way through the Cowboys edge defence, fending past Whitfeld and the Tigers hit back. Goal kicking was critical and unfortunately, this one was waved away leaving the scores at 12-4 at the break. Brett Kimmorley would've been filthy with his side's response after the break as Jasmine Peters atoned for a bombed try before half-time. Peters was able to get on the outside of the defensive line and race away to score making it 18-4 to the Cowboys. The Tigers needed to be next to score and they were as debutant Evie McGrath chased her own grubber kick, the back three of the Cowboys made a mess of cleaning it up and McGrath grounded it to keep in touch.

Three minutes after that try, the Tigers were off and running once more. Some nice interchange of passing down the right saw Rebecca Pollard find space. She got a pass back inside which was touched in flight and Rikeya Horne was there to sprint away to score and get the margin back to four. Unfortunately, their first attempt to level the score was pulled back as the Bunker found an obstruction in the lead-up. Fortunately, they didn't need to worry for much longer as Pollard finished off a nice set-move to score in the corner to level the scores. North Queensland weren't going to go down though, a terrific long range kick return by Tauhalaliku gave the Cowboys prime field position. Jetaya Faifua took matters into her own hands as she raced away to give the Cowboys a converted try lead. The match was nearly sealed minutes later, but the Bunker again intervened when they found a knock on by Lillian Yarrow. The Tigers capitalised immediately when Losana Lutu stepped her way through to score. But, as we mentioned so often, goal kicking played apart with the conversion again sailing wide and the Cowboys hung on.

RAIDERS FINALLY WIN A CLOSE ONE AJ LUCANTONIO

NRLW history was created with the highest scoring game in the competition's history. Canberra were fortunate to escape with a 38-34 verdict over St George Illawarra.

The Raiders started with intent as they looked to bounce-back following a last start loss to the Roosters. Two tries in the opening 15 minutes set Canberra up strongly. Madison Bartlett scored early after a brilliant pass from Ash Quinlan and the Raiders looked the goods early. Grace Kemp added a second minutes later after a strong individual effort carrying several defenders on her way to the line. St George Illawarra weren't going down quietly despite a week of negative press surrounding their coach Jamie Soward. Teagan Berry showed her class crossing for a brilliant individual try. Canberra quickly responded with a brilliant bust created by Zehara Temara, Monalisa Soliola burst straight through delivering a delightful ball to Shakiah Tungai to score for the Raiders. The Dragons found two late tries prior to half-time. A Racene McGregor bomb couldn't be defused by Apii Nicholls and Shenai Lendill was jolly on the spot to pick it up and score for the Red V. In the shadows of half-time, Alexis Tauaneai charged across, and we were locked at 16 all at the break.

Straight after the break, a horrible hip-drop tackle by Kerehitina Matua saw her quickly sent to the sin-bin by referee Karra-Lee Nolan. St George Illawarra capitalised on the extra lady advantage and Tauaneai crashed over following a brilliant pass from Zali Hopkins. Bobbi Law came back from a HIA and set up the Dragons next try with a brilliant offload to Kasey Reh to make it a two possession game as the sin-bin period came to an end. Canberra put on a clinic with under 15 to go as an inside ball from Temara sent Ash Quinlan away to score and keep the Raiders in touch. Three minutes later, Kemp had a double as she charged across some pedestrian Dragons defence in a carbon copy of the first try she scored. An error from Law saw Canberra recover possession and it was a quick spread out to the left hand side and Bartlett finished with a second try of the game. Amelia Pasikala finished off the match in style with a brilliant individual try to put the game seemingly beyond doubt. However, the Dragons played to the final siren as we saw some Berry brilliance to keep it to within a four point game. Despite a near Hail Mary play from the Red V, it wasn't to be as the Raiders keep pressure on the teams trying to make the finals.

NORTH QLD	24	-	22	WESTS TIGERS
Jetaya FAIFUA		T		Rikeya HORNE
Jasmine PETERS				Losana LUTU
Lavinia TAUHALALIKU				Evie McGRATH
Jakiya WHITFELD				Rebecca POLLARD
				Botille VETTE-WELSH
Kirra DIBB	4/4	G	1/5	Pauline PILIAE-RASABALE
TEAMSHEETS				
Fran GOLDTHORP	1	FB	1	Botille VETTE-WELSH (c)
Vitalina NAIKORE	2	W	2	Tiana LEE-THORNE
Jakiya WHITFELD	3	C	6	Pauline PILIAE-RASABALE
Jasmine PETERS	4	C	4	Rikeya HORNE
Lavinia TAUHALALIKU	5	W	5	Rebecca POLLARD
Tahlulah TILLET	6	FE	18	Evie McGRATH
Kirra DIBB (c)	7	HB	7	Losana LUTU
Sareka MOOKA	16	FR	8	Sarah TOGATUKI
Emma MANZELMANN	9	HK	9	Ebony PRIOR
Essay BANU	10	FR	10	Christian PIO
Shaniah POWER	11	2R	11	Brooke TALATAINA
Tiana RAFTSTRAND-SMITH	12	2R	12	Montana CLIFFORD
Bree CHESTER	13	L	13	Najvada GEORGE
Tallisha HARDEN	8	B	14	Shaienne MCGONE
Jetaya FAIFUA	14	B	15	Tara REINKE
Lillian YARROW	15	B	16	Natasha PENITANI
Shellie LONG	22	B	17	Chelsea SAVILL
Ricky HENRY		HC		Brett KIMMORLEY

Date: Sat, 7th September. Kickoff: 11:00 AM. Halftime: North QLD 12-4. Penalties: Wests Tigers 5-3. Referee: Daniel Schwass. Crowd: 1,314 at QLD Country Bank Stadium.

ST GEO ILLA	34	-	38	CANBERRA
Teagan BERRY	2	T	2	Madison BARTLETT
Alexis TAUANEAI	2		2	Grace KEMP
Shenai LENDILL				Amelia PASIKALA
Kasey REH				Ashleigh QUINLAN
				Shakiah TUNGA
Racene MCGREGOR	5/6	G	5/7	Zahara TEMARA
		BIN		Kerehitina MATUA
TEAMSHEETS				
Teagan BERRY	1	FB	1	Apii NICHOLLS-PUALAU
Maatuleio FOTU-MOALA	2	W	2	Madison BARTLETT
Keele BROWNE	3	C	3	Cheyelle ROBINS-RETI
Bobbi LAW	4	C	17	Relna WURUKI-HOSEA
Alice GREGORY	5	W	5	Shakiah TUNGA
Kasey REH	6	FE	6	Zahara TEMARA (c)
Racene MCGREGOR (c)	7	HB	7	Ashleigh QUINLAN
Angelina TEAKARAANGA-KATOA	8	FR	8	Grace KEMP
Sophie CLANCY	14	HK	14	Emma BARNES
Jamilee BRIGHT	16	FR	10	Sophie HOLYMAN
Shenai LENDILL	11	2R	11	Monalisa SOLIOLA
Ella KOSTER	12	2R	12	Felice QUINLAN
Alexis TAUANEAI	13	L	9	Chante TEMARA
Zali HOPKINS	9	B	15	Jaida FALEONO
Madison MULHALL	10	B	16	Kerehitina MATUA
Charlotte BASHAM	15	B	18	Amelia PASIKALA
Stephanie HANCOCK	17	B	20	Tatiana FINAU
Jamie SOWARD		HC		Darrin BORTHWICK

Date: Sat, 7th September. Kickoff: 12:45 PM. Halftime: 16-all. Penalties: 5-all. Referee: Karra-Lee Nolan. Crowd: 5,570 at Netstrata Jubilee Stadium.

ROOSTERS NIL SHARKS, STUN EVERYONE JOSH ROBERTSON

The Cronulla Sharks unbeaten run came to a screeching halt when the Sydney Roosters showed why they are still one of the teams to beat with a 40-0 win over Cronulla.

Things didn't start well for the Sharks as an early error and penalty gave the Tricolours field position and Otesa Pule opened the scoring in just the fourth minute of the game. Things didn't go the Sharks way with another penalty and then a Kelleher 40/20 giving them momentum as Olivia Kernick crashed over for a 10-0 lead. Sam Bremner then turned back the clock as he showed temporary retirement didn't blunt her speed as she ran to the line and scored for a 16-0 lead. The Roosters then added a try to Mia Wood just shy of the half-hour mark and after the conversion it gave them a 22-0 lead.

The Roosters then continued their momentum not long after halftime with tries in quick succession to Mia Wood and Brydie Parker which were both unconverted for a 30-0 lead. Finishing things off in the last the Roosters added two more tries in the last 10 minutes when Isabelle Kelly scored out wide off a good Sam Bremner ball and then Taina Naividi got over in the corner. Both conversions were missed which meant a 40-0 win for the Roosters over the previously undefeated Sharks.

CRONULLA		0	-	40	SYDNEY	
			T	2	Mia WOOD	
					Sam BREMNER	
					Isabelle KELLY	
					Olivia KERNICK	
					Taina NAIVIDI	
					Brydie PARKER	
					Otesa PULE	
		G		4/8	Jocelyn KELLEHER	
TEAMSHEETS						
Cassie STAPLES	1	FB		1	Sam BREMNER	
Dominique DU TOIT	21	W		20	Brydie PARKER	
Tiana PENITANI (c)	3	C		3	Jasmin STRANGE	
Annessa BIDDLE	4	C		4	Isabelle KELLY (c)	
Georgia RAVICS	5	W		5	Mia WOOD	
Emma TONEGATO	6	FE		6	Jocelyn KELLEHER	
Tayla PRESTON	7	HB		7	Tarryn AIKEN	
Ellie JOHNSTON	8	FR		8	Otesa PULE	
Quincy DODD	9	HK		9	Keeley DAVIS	
Holli WHEELER	10	FR		15	Kalosipani HOPOATE	
Talei HOLMES	11	2R		17	Eliza LOPAMAU	
Rhiannon BYERS	12	2R		12	Olivia KERNICK	
Brooke ANDERSON	13	L		13	Tiana DAVISON	
Sharni SMALE	14	B		2	Taina NAIVIDI	
Chloe SAUNDERS	15	B		11	Amber HALL	
Vanessa FOLIAKI	16	B		14	Tavarna PAPALII	
Tegan DYMOCK	17	B		16	Samantha ECONOMOS	
Tony HERMAN		HC			John STRANGE	

Date: Sun, 8th September. Kickoff: 12:00 PM. Halftime: Sydney 22-0. Penalties: Cronulla 6-4. Referee: Belinda Sharpe. Crowd: 1,901 at Pointsbet Stadium.

BRONCOS DOUBLE COMEBACK SINKS KNIGHTS BETH NICHOLLS

The Knights looked like they were going to get the job done, but a tremendous second-half effort from the Broncos gets them their fifth in a row.

Despite trailing 18-6 in the 36th minute the Broncos fought their way back to win 32-24, taking a major step to the 2024 Finals series. The Knights opened the scoring in the 9th minute through forward Rima Butler, who crashed over the line with ease from short range. But with the Knights quickly turned attack into defense after making an error in the set following the try. The Broncos lofted the ball from edge to edge, which saw Stacey Waaka score a try in the corner for the visitors, but with Romy Teitzel unable to convert the Knights led by two. The next fifteen minutes was a back-and-forth affair, with neither team being able to capitalise and score any points, whilst being riddled with errors. Former Bronco now Knights fullback, Tamika Upton then put her team up, speeding down the field with some fancy footwork, dancing her way around defenders and adding 45 metres to her run metres for the game.

The Knights went into the sheds at halftime leading by eight points with a 12-4 scoreline. Which very quickly become 18-6 just one minute into the second half, after Shanice Parker easily crashed through the Broncos defenders. Brisbane slowly closed the gap, with a perfect pass from Hayley Maddick to Julia Robinson saw the winger go over in the corner for her _ try of the year in the 46th minute. A try four minutes to Brianna Clark with a successful conversion saw the Broncos only trail by two points. The Broncos' fun didn't last long though, with an error from the restart giving Newcastle back the ball and they very quickly capitalised; a dummy pass from Georgia Roche before a perfect inside ball saw Evie Jones cross over to widen the gap yet again. Though it isn't over yet for the visitors, with a pass from Teitzel to Stacey Waaka on the last play of the set sees Waaka run dangerously close to the line before planting the ball down over the line for a miracle try in the 57th minute. Newcastle then lose their lead for the first time ever in the game three minutes later when Lavinia Gould takes on the line on her own from dummy half and gets over the line under the posts, giving Brisbane the lead 26-24. With seven minutes left to play it was still anyone's game, but the Broncos extended their lead beyond a converted try with Romy Teitzel scoring a try in the 64th minute, letting everyone know that they were going for five wins in a row.

The Broncos finally got their revenge on reigning premiers, and now sit comfortably in third place, equal on wins with the Roosters, however with the Roosters 40-0 win over the Sharks they fall behind in points differential. Next week they take on the Sharks who are currently leading the ladder, and what could be a battle for top two. For the home side, they now drop the fourth, recording their third loss of the season, and their first loss since Round 4. Next week sees a Grand Final rematch where the Knights take on the Titans, who they successfully defeated to win the 2023 premiership.

EELS DOWN TITANS AT HOME TIM COSTELLO

An Elsie Albert double has helped the Parramatta Eels to an important eighth-round win over Gold Coast at Eric Tweedale Stadium on Sunday afternoon.

Despite having significantly less ball than the visiting side, Parramatta made it count when they did have it, starting with Albert's first try which opened the scoring three minutes into the contest. Monique Donovan followed with a try from a kick chase, the Eels ahead 12-0 early before Emily Bass hit back for the Gold Coast for 12-4. Niall Williams-Guthrie was second to cross for the visitors but Lauren Brown's wayward conversion meant the Titans trailed 12-8 at halftime.

After a few failed attempts, Gold Coast ended up in front when Ngatokotoru Arakua crossed and when Brown finally nailed a conversion, were 14-12 leaders. The last twelve minutes saw Parramatta cruise home with Rory Owen putting her side back ahead in the first instance before Albert's second led the Eels to a 10-point victory just 4 minutes from the final siren. The loss makes it exceedingly difficult for the Gold Coast to make the finals, while Parramatta are just differential outside the top four with two rounds remaining.

PARRAMATTA		24	-	14	GOLD COAST	
Elsie ALBERT	2	T			Ngatokotoru ARAKUA	
Monique DONOVAN					Emily BASS	
Rory OWEN					Niall WILLIAMS-GUTHRIE	
Rachael PEARSON	4/4	G		1/3	Lauren BROWN	
TEAMSHEETS						
Abbi CHURCH	1	FB		1	Evania PELITE	
Zali FAY	2	W		2	Georgia GREY	
Rory OWEN	3	C		20	Sarina MASAGA	
Rosie KELLY	4	C		4	Niall WILLIAMS-GUTHRIE	
Monique DONOVAN	5	W		5	Emily BASS	
Cassey TOHI-HIKU	6	FE		6	Sienna LOFIPO	
Rachael PEARSON	7	HB		7	Lauren BROWN	
Elsie ALBERT	8	FR		8	Shannon MATO	
Taneka TODHUNTER	9	HK		9	Brittany BREAYLEY-NATI	
Madeline JONES	10	FR		10	Jessica ELLISTON	
Chloe JACKSON	11	2R		11	Zara CANFIELD	
Mahalia MURPHY (c)	12	2R		12	Shaylee BENT	
Breanna EALES	13	L		13	Georgia HALE (c)	
Rosemarie BECKETT	14	B		15	Laikha CLARKE	
Tyla AMIATU	15	B		17	Matekino GRAY	
Jade FONUA	16	B		18	Lailani MONTGOMERY	
Lindsay TUI	17	B		21	Ngatokotoru ARAKUA	
Steve GEORGALLIS		HC			Karyn MURPHY	

Date: Sun, 8th September. Kickoff: 1:45 PM. Halftime: Parramatta 12-8. Penalties: Gold Coast 9-5. Referee: Luke Saldern. Crowd: 734 at Eric Tweedale Stadium.

NEWCASTLE		24	-	32	BRISBANE	
Rima BUTLER		T		2	Stacey WAAKA	
Evie JONES					Brianna CLARK	
Shanice PARKER					Lavinia GOULD	
Tamika UPTON					Julia ROBINSON	
					Romy TEITZEL	
Jesse SOUTHWELL	4/4	G		4/6	Romy TEITZEL	
TEAMSHEETS						
Tamika UPTON	1	FB		1	Hayley MADDICK	
Sheridan GALLAGHER	2	W		2	Julia ROBINSON	
Shanice PARKER	3	C		3	Mele HUFANGA	
Abigail ROACHE	4	C		4	Shenae CIESTOLKA	
Tenika WILLISON	5	W		5	Stacey WAAKA	
Georgia ROCHE	6	FE		6	Gayle BROUGHTON	
Jesse SOUTHWELL	7	HB		7	Ali BRIGGINSHAW (c)	
Rima BUTLER	8	FR		8	Brianna CLARK	
Olivia HIGGINS	9	HK		9	Jada FERGUSON	
Simone KARPANI	10	FR		10	Chelsea LENARDUZZI	
Laishon ALBERT-JONES	11	2R		11	Mariah DENMAN	
Yasmin CLYDSDALE	12	2R		12	Romy TEITZEL	
Hannah SOUTHWELL (c)	13	L		13	Keilee JOSEPH	
Evie JONES	14	B		14	Destiny BRILL	
Kayla ROMANIUK	15	B		15	Tafito LAFAELE	
Tayla PREDEBON	16	B		16	Lavinia GOULD	
Viena TINAQ	17	B		17	Annetta NU'UAUSALA	
Ben JEFFRIES		HC			Scott PRINCE	

Date: Sun, 8th September. Kickoff: 6:10 PM. Halftime: Newcastle 12-4. Penalties: 3-all. Referee: Zbigniew Przeklasa-Adamski. Crowd: not supplied, McDonald Jones Stadium.



**WESTS
TIGERS**

**ST GEORGE ILLAWARRA
DRAGONS**



VENUE	Leichhardt Oval	Luke SALDERN	REFEREE		WATCH	Nine / 9Now / Fox / Kayo
LOCATION	Wanagal Lilyfield, NSW	Billy GREATBATCH, Brad KIEHNE	TOUCH JUDGES		LISTEN	ABC Sport
DAY & TIME	Thu 12 Sep 2024	Matt NOYEN	NRL BUNKER		ONLINE	twitter.com/LeagueUnlimited

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts							Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
27	7	2	-	-	8	Botille VETTE-WELSH	1	FULLBACK	1	Teagan BERRY		22	7	8	-	-	32
25	4	2	-	-	8	Rebecca POLLARD	2	WING	2	Maatuleio FOTU-MOALA		25	4	-	-	-	-
22	5	-	-	-	-	Lianne TUFUGA	3	CENTRE	3	Keele BROWNE		22	7	3	-	-	12
24	6	2	-	-	8	Rikeya HORNE	4	CENTRE	4	Bobbi LAW		27	6	2	-	-	8
27	-	-	-	-	-	Claudia NIELSEN	5	WING	5	Alice GREGORY		26	4	-	-	-	-
-	1	1	-	-	4	Evie McGRATH	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Tyla NATHAN-WONG		-	2	-	-	-	-
20	7	2	-	-	8	Losana LUTU	7	HALFBACK	7	Raecene McGREGOR		26	7	-	17	-	34
26	7	-	-	-	-	Sarah TOGATUKI	8	FRONT ROW	8	Angelina TEAKARAANGA-KATOA		22	7	-	-	-	-
-	3	1	-	-	4	Ebony PRIOR	9	HOOKER	9	Kasey REH		18	7	2	-	-	8
24	7	1	-	-	4	Christian PIO	10	FRONT ROW	10	Jamilee BRIGHT		26	7	-	-	-	-
20	7	-	-	-	-	Brooke TALATAINA	11	SECOND ROW	11	Shenai LENDILL		24	7	1	-	-	4
-	-	-	-	-	-	Claudia BROWN	12	SECOND ROW	12	Ella KOSTER		-	4	2	-	-	8
25	7	-	-	-	-	Najvada GEORGE	13	LOCK	13	Alexis TAUANEAI		19	7	3	-	-	12
-	1	-	-	-	-	Chelsea SAVILL	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Zali HOPKINS		22	7	1	-	-	4
25	7	-	-	-	-	Tara REINKE	15		15	Charlotte BASHAM		19	7	-	-	-	-
-	7	-	-	-	-	Natasha PENITANI	16		16	Madison MULHALL		20	5	-	-	-	-
31	7	1	10	-	24	Pauline PILIAE-RASABALE	17		17	Stephanie HANCOCK		42	6	-	-	-	-
21	1	-	-	-	-	Jessica KENNEDY	18	RESERVES	18	Sophie CLANCY		21	4	1	-	-	4
22	5	1	-	-	4	Tess STAINES	19		19	Jordyn PRESTON		-	1	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	Emily CURTAIN	20		20	Kimberley HUNT		31	3	4	-	-	16
-	-	-	-	-	-	Iemaima ETUALE	21		21	Kaarla COWAN		26	1	-	-	-	-
									22	Bronte WILSON		18	4	-	-	-	-
47	16	-	-	-	-	Brett KIMMORLEY		COACHES		Jamie SOWARD		39	29	-	-	-	-

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	TOTAL	WESTS TIGERS	ST GEO ILLA	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	1	0	1	0
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MATCH HISTORY

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2023	Round 5	ST GEO ILLA 20-16	CommBank	3652

STATE OF PLAY: 2024 SEASON

TEAM	POSITION	PLAYED	BYES	W-L-D	FOR	AGAINST
WESTS TIGERS	10TH	7	0	0-7-0	80	194
ST GEO ILLA	9TH	7	0	2-5-0	150	174

THE RUN HOME

TEAM	ROUND 9	FINALS FORECAST
WESTS TIGERS	CRONULLA (A)	OUT OF CONTENTION
ST GEO ILLA	BRISBANE (H)	OUT OF CONTENTIONZ

Match stats courtesy of





BRISBANE BRONCOS

CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND SHARKS



VENUE	Cbus Super Stadium (Robina Stadium)	Daniel SCHWASS	REFEREE		WATCH	Nine / 9Now / Fox / Kayo
LOCATION	Yugambeh Robina, QLD	Rochelle TAMARUA, Jack KLEIN	TOUCH JUDGES		LISTEN	ABC Sport
DAY & TIME	Sat 14 Sep 2024 12:00pm AEST	Matt NOYEN	NRL BUNKER		ONLINE	twitter.com/LeagueUnlimited

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts					Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
32	7	3	-	-	12	Hayley MADDICK	1	FULLBACK	1	Cassie STAPLES	31	7	2	-	8
26	7	6	-	-	24	Julia ROBINSON	2	WING	2	Nakia DAVIS-WELSH	-	4	2	-	8
29	7	6	-	-	24	Mele HUFANGA	3	CENTRE	3	Tiana PENITANI	28	7	5	-	20
27	5	3	-	-	12	Shenae CIESIOLKA	4	CENTRE	4	Annessa BIDDLE	-	7	3	-	12
-	5	5	-	-	20	Stacey WAAKA	5	WING	5	Georgia RAVICS	-	7	4	-	16
28	5	1	-	-	4	Gayle BROUGHTON	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Emma TONEGATO	29	5	-	-	-
34	7	1	-	-	4	Ali BRIGGINSHAW	7	HALFBACK	7	Tayla PRESTON	24	7	-	14	28
29	5	1	2	-	8	Brianna CLARK	8	FRONT ROW	8	Ellie JOHNSTON	23	7	2	-	8
22	7	1	-	-	4	Jada FERGUSON	9	HOKKER	9	Quincy DODD	24	7	1	-	4
28	7	2	-	-	8	Chelsea LENARDUZZI	10	FRONT ROW	10	Holli WHEELER	34	7	1	-	4
27	3	-	1	-	2	Mariah DENMAN	11	SECOND ROW	11	Talei HOLMES	24	6	-	-	-
25	7	4	21	-	58	Romy TEITZEL	12	SECOND ROW	12	Rhiannon BYERS	-	6	1	-	4
22	7	-	-	-	-	Keilee JOSEPH	13	LOCK	13	Brooke ANDERSON	28	7	-	-	-
21	6	2	-	-	8	Destiny BRILL	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Sharni SMALE	-	4	-	-	-
-	5	1	-	-	4	Tafito LAFAELE	15		15	Chloe SAUNDERS	-	7	-	-	-
41	6	1	-	-	4	Lavinia GOULD	16		16	Vanessa FOLIAKI	31	7	-	-	-
29	3	-	-	-	-	Annetta NU'UAUSALA	17		17	Tegan DYMOCK	22	7	1	-	4
27	5	2	-	-	8	Lauren DAM	18	RESERVES	19	Manilita TAKAPAUTOLO	-	4	-	-	-
19	2	-	-	-	-	Skyla ADAMS	19		20	Filomina HANISI	23	-	-	-	-
25	2	-	-	-	-	Bree SPREADBOROUGH	20		21	Dominique DU TOIT	-	1	-	-	-
27	4	-	-	-	-	Jasmine FOGAVINI	21		22	Georgia HANNAWAY	-	3	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	Ashleigh WERNER	22		23	Leki LEILUA	-	-	-	-	-
44	17	-	-	-	-	Scott PRINCE		COACHES		Tony HERMAN	57	16	-	-	-

HEAD TO HEAD since 2023

	TOTAL	BRISBANE	CRONULLA	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	1	1	0	0
CBUS SUPER	0	0	0	0

MATCH HISTORY

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2023	Round 7	BRISBANE 32-28	QLD C. Bank	1478

STATE OF PLAY: 2024 SEASON

TEAM	POSITION	PLAYED	BYES	W-L-D	FOR	AGAINST
BRISBANE	3RD	7	0	5-2-0	208	126
CRONULLA	1ST	7	0	6-1-0	120	90

THE RUN HOME

TEAM	ROUND 9	FINALS FORECAST
BRISBANE	ST GEO ILLA (A)	WIN CONFIRMS TOP FOUR
CRONULLA	WESTS TIGERS (H)	WIN CONFIRMS TOP FOUR

Match stats courtesy of





**GOLD COAST
TITANS**

**NEWCASTLE
KNIGHTS**



VENUE	Cbus Super Stadium (Robina Stadium)	Belinda SHARPE	REFEREE		WATCH	Nine / 9Now / Fox / Kayo
LOCATION	Yugambeh Robina, QLD	Ethan KLEIN, Tori WILKIE	TOUCH JUDGES		LISTEN	ABC Sport
DAY & TIME	Sat 14 Sep 2024 1:45pm AEST	Kasey BADGER	NRL BUNKER		ONLINE	twitter.com/LeagueUnlimited

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts						Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
29	7	4	-	-	16	Evania PELITE	1	FULLBACK	1	Tamika UPTON	27	7	6	-	-	24
-	6	1	-	-	4	Georgia GREY	2	WING	2	Sheridan GALLAGHER	22	5	4	3	-	22
22	6	3	-	-	12	Jaime CHAPMAN	3	CENTRE	3	Shanice PARKER	26	7	1	-	-	4
25	5	-	-	-	-	Taliah FUJIMANO	4	CENTRE	4	Abigail ROACHE	24	6	2	-	-	8
25	7	6	-	-	24	Emily BASS	5	WING	5	Tenika WILLISON	-	4	1	-	-	4
19	2	-	-	-	-	Sienna LOFIPO	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Georgia ROCHE	24	7	1	4	-	12
-	3	-	-	-	-	Lailani MONTGOMERY	7	HALFBACK	7	Jesse SOUTHWELL	19	6	-	10	-	20
26	7	-	-	-	-	Shannon MATO	8	FRONT ROW	8	Rima BUTLER	26	7	1	-	-	4
33	7	-	-	-	-	Brittany BREAYLEY-NATI	9	HOOKER	9	Olivia HIGGINS	31	7	2	-	-	8
26	7	-	-	-	-	Jessika ELLISTON	10	FRONT ROW	10	Simone KARPANI	27	4	-	-	-	-
23	4	-	-	-	-	Zara CANFIELD	11	SECOND ROW	11	Laishon ALBERT-JONES	26	7	3	-	-	12
24	7	-	-	-	-	Shaylee BENT	12	SECOND ROW	12	Yasmin CLYDSDALE	30	7	-	-	-	-
29	7	-	-	-	-	Georgia HALE	13	LOCK	13	Hannah SOUTHWELL	25	7	2	-	-	8
-	5	-	-	-	-	Lily KOLC	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Nita MAYNARD	32	6	-	-	-	-
22	7	1	-	-	4	Laikha CLARKE	15		15	Kayla ROMANIUK	22	7	1	-	-	4
-	1	-	-	-	-	Sarina MASAGA	16		16	Tayla PREDEBON	23	6	-	-	-	-
-	2	1	-	-	4	Ngatokotoru ARAKUA	17		17	Viena TINAO	-	3	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	Georgia SIM	18	RESERVES	18	Evie JONES	-	3	2	-	-	8
20	4	-	-	-	-	Dannii PERESE	19		19	Lilly-Ann WHITE	-	5	3	-	-	12
20	3	1	-	-	4	Hailee-Jay MAUNSELL	20		20	Jules KIRKPATRICK	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	Malaela SUA	21		21	Grace KUKUTAI	27	3	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	Estanoa FAITALA	22		22	Jacinta CARTER	-	1	-	-	-	-
54	23	-	-	-	-	Karyn MURPHY		COACHES		Ben JEFFRIES	44	16	-	-	-	-

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	TOTAL	GOLD COAST	NEWCASTLE	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	4	1	3	0
CBUS SUPER	1	0	1	0

STATE OF PLAY: 2024 SEASON

TEAM	POSITION	PLAYED	BYES	W-L-D	FOR	AGAINST
GOLD COAST	7TH	7	0	3-4-0	106	129
NEWCASTLE	4TH	7	0	4-3-0	154	116

MATCH HISTORY

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2022	Round 5	GOLD COAST 14-10	Suncorp	-
2022	Round 2	NEWCASTLE 16-12	Cbus Super	-
2023	Round 4	NEWCASTLE 22-10	McD. Jones	12889
2023	Grand Final	NEWCASTLE 24-18	Accor	40649

THE RUN HOME

TEAM	ROUND 9	FINALS FORECAST
GOLD COAST	CANBERRA (A)	NEED 2 WINS & OTHER RESULTS
NEWCASTLE	NORTH QLD (A)	IN THE TOP 4 RACE

Match stats courtesy of





SYDNEY ROOSTERS

NORTH QUEENSLAND COWBOYS



VENUE	Industree Group Stadium (Central Coast Stadium)	Ziggy PRZEKLASA-ADAMSKI	REFEREE		WATCH	Nine / 9Now / Fox / Kayo
LOCATION	Darkinjung Gosford, NSW	Luke SALDERN, Clayton WILLS	TOUCH JUDGES		LISTEN	ABC Sport
DAY & TIME	Sun 15 Sep 2024 12:00pm AEST	Kasey BADGER	NRL BUNKER		ONLINE	twitter.com/LeagueUnlimited

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts							Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
32	6	2	-	-	8	Sam BREMNER	1	FULLBACK	1	Fran GOLDTHORP		21	6	2	-	-	8
27	5	4	-	-	16	Jayne FRESSARD	2	WING	2	Vitalina NAIKORE		24	3	2	-	-	8
21	7	-	-	-	-	Jasmin STRANGE	3	CENTRE	3	Jakiya WHITFIELD		23	7	5	-	-	20
27	7	3	-	-	12	Isabelle KELLY	4	CENTRE	4	Jasmine PETERS		22	7	4	-	-	16
25	7	4	-	-	16	Mia WOOD	5	WING	5	Lavinia TAUHALALIKU		-	2	1	-	-	4
24	1	1	-	-	4	Brydie PARKER	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Tahlulah TILLET		26	7	-	-	-	-
24	7	1	21	-	46	Jocelyn KELLEHER	7	HALFBACK	7	Kirra DIBB		27	7	-	15	1	31
21	7	1	-	-	4	Otesa PULE	8	FRONT ROW	8	Tallisha HARDEN		32	7	-	-	-	-
24	7	-	-	-	-	Keeley DAVIS	9	HOOKER	9	Emma MANZELMANN		22	7	-	-	-	-
20	7	-	-	-	-	Kalosipani HOPOATE	10	FRONT ROW	10	Essay BANU		22	5	-	-	-	-
29	6	3	-	-	12	Amber HALL	11	SECOND ROW	11	Shaniah POWER		27	3	-	-	-	-
23	7	2	-	-	8	Olivia KERNICK	12	SECOND ROW	12	Tiana RAFTSTRAND-SMITH		21	7	4	-	-	16
23	4	1	-	-	4	Tiana DAVISON	13	LOCK	13	Bree CHESTER		22	7	-	-	-	-
19	4	-	-	-	-	Tavarna PAPALII	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Jetaya FAIFUA		21	3	1	-	-	4
23	4	1	-	-	4	Taina NAIVIDI	15		15	Lily PEACOCK		19	6	1	-	-	4
26	6	-	-	-	-	Millie ELLIOTT	16		16	Lillian YARROW		20	2	-	-	-	-
19	3	1	-	-	4	Eliza LOPAMAUA	17		23	Sareka MOOKA		24	5	-	-	-	-
30	5	-	-	-	-	Samantha ECONOMOS	18	RESERVES	18	Krystal BLACKWELL		21	6	1	-	-	4
27	-	-	-	-	-	Shannon ROSE	19		19	Jazmon TUPOU-WITCHMAN		20	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	Kayla JACKSON	20		20	Shellie LONG		24	2	-	-	-	-
22	5	-	-	-	-	Mya HILL-MOANA	22		21	Libby SURHA		-	3	-	-	-	-
									22	Ebony RAFTSTRAND-SMITH		19	1	-	-	-	-
49	30	-	-	-	-	John STRANGE		COACHES		Ricky HENRY		-	7	-	-	-	-

HEAD TO HEAD since 2023

	TOTAL	SYDNEY	NORTH QLD	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	1	1	0	0
INDUSTREE	0	0	0	0

MATCH HISTORY

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2023	Round 9	SYDNEY 40-16	Netstrata	632

STATE OF PLAY: 2024 SEASON

TEAM	POSITION	PLAYED	BYES	W-L-D	FOR	AGAINST
SYDNEY	2ND	7	0	5-2-0	166	82
NORTH QLD	6TH	7	0	4-3-0	119	156

THE RUN HOME

TEAM	ROUND 9	FINALS FORECAST
SYDNEY	PARRAMATTA (A)	WIN CONFIRMS TOP FOUR
NORTH QLD	NEWCASTLE (H)	IN THE TOP FOUR RACE

Match stats courtesy of





CANBERRA RAIDERS

PARRAMATTA EELS



VENUE	GIO Stadium Canberra (Canberra Stadium)	Karra-Lee NOLAN	REFEREE		WATCH	Nine / 9Now / Fox / Kayo
LOCATION	Ngunnawal Bruce, ACT	Dillian WELLS, Billy GREATBATCH	TOUCH JUDGES		LISTEN	ABC Sport
DAY & TIME	Sun 15 Sep 2024 1:45pm AEST	Chris BUTLER	NRL BUNKER		ONLINE	twitter.com/LeagueUnlimited

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts					Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts	
31	7	-	-	-	-	Apii NICHOLLS-PUALAU	1	FULLBACK	1	Abbi CHURCH	26	7	1	-	-	4
29	7	7	-	-	28	Madison BARTLETT	2	WING	2	Zali FAY	23	7	1	-	-	4
27	7	-	-	-	-	Cheyelle ROBINS-RETI	3	CENTRE	3	Rory OWEN	-	7	4	-	-	16
22	6	4	-	-	16	Mackenzie WIKI	4	CENTRE	4	Rosie KELLY	24	7	1	-	-	4
27	5	3	2	-	16	Shakiah TUNGAI	5	WING	5	Monique DONOVAN	-	7	5	-	-	20
27	7	2	21	-	50	Zahara TEMARA	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Cassey TOHI-HIKU	20	7	1	-	-	4
29	6	1	-	-	4	Ashleigh QUINLAN	7	HALFBACK	7	Rachael PEARSON	31	7	1	16	-	36
23	7	2	-	-	8	Grace KEMP	8	FRONT ROW	8	Elsie ALBERT	28	7	2	-	-	8
23	7	-	-	-	-	Chante TEMARA	9	HOOKER	9	Taneka TODHUNTER	-	7	-	-	-	-
26	7	1	-	-	4	Sophie HOLYMAN	10	FRONT ROW	10	Madeline JONES	-	7	-	-	-	-
20	5	-	-	-	-	Monalisa SOLIOLA	11	SECOND ROW	11	Chloe JACKSON	20	6	-	-	-	-
21	6	1	-	-	4	Hollie-Mae DODD	12	SECOND ROW	12	Mahalia MURPHY	30	7	1	-	-	4
30	6	3	-	-	12	Simaima TAUFA	13	LOCK	13	Breanna EALES	-	2	-	-	-	-
20	7	1	-	-	4	Emma BARNES	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Rosemarie BECKETT	-	6	3	-	-	12
18	1	-	-	-	-	Jaida FALEONO	15		15	Tyla AMIATU	-	6	-	-	-	-
20	2	1	-	-	4	Amelia PASIKALA	16		16	Jade FONUA	-	7	-	-	-	-
26	3	1	-	-	4	Felice QUINLAN	17		17	Lindsay TUI	-	2	-	-	-	-
18	2	-	-	-	-	Relna WURUKI-HOSEA	18	RESERVES	18	Mia MIDDLETON	-	-	-	-	-	-
20	1	-	-	-	-	Tatiana FINAU	19		19	Pihuka BERRYMAN-DUFF	-	-	-	-	-	-
19	1	-	-	-	-	Georgia WILLEY	20		20	Ruby-Jean KENNARD	21	3	-	-	-	-
20	2	1	-	-	4	Alanna DUMMETT	21		21	Kate FALLON	-	-	-	-	-	-
29	5	-	-	-	-	Tommaya KELLY-SINES	22		23	Tafao ASUAU	-	2	-	-	-	-
-	16	-	-	-	-	Darrin BORTHWICK		COACHES		Steve GEORGALLIS	56	7	-	-	-	-

HEAD TO HEAD since 2023

	TOTAL	CANBERRA	PARRAMATTA	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	1	1	0	0
GIO	1	1	0	0

MATCH HISTORY

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2023	Round 5	CANBERRA 28-22	GIO	7185

STATE OF PLAY: 2024 SEASON

TEAM	POSITION	PLAYED	BYES	W-L-D	FOR	AGAINST
CANBERRA	8TH	7	0	2-5-0	162	186
PARRAMATTA	5TH	7	0	4-3-0	124	136

THE RUN HOME

TEAM	ROUND 9	FINALS FORECAST
CANBERRA	GOLD COAST (H)	OUT OF CONTENTION
PARRAMATTA	SYDNEY (H)	IN THE TOP FOUR RACE

Match stats courtesy of



TIGERS v DRAGONS: Justin DAVIES

Round 8 in the NRLW starts off with the winless Wests Tigers hosting St George Illawarra Dragons at the eighth wonder.

It has been a tough season again for the Wests Tigers. They sit bottom of the NRLW ladder and haven't registered a win through seven weeks so another wonder utensil might be headed to the black and gold. They have shown in spurts that they can match up with sides but have lacked the finishing touches which could get them over the line. Maybe facing off against the Dragons who are eliminated from finals could do the trick.

Dragons endured a weird week where they released a statement that coach Jamie Soward won't continue in the role in 2025 then were beaten in a points fest against the Canberra Raiders at Kogarah on Saturday. There is plenty of talent in the Dragons squad who are also young which should bode well for them headed into the future. Kasey Reh had a four-pointer last week and moves into the hooker position for Rugby 7s Gold Medalist Tyla Nathan-Wong which is handy.

WHO TO WATCH: Botille-Vette Walsh has been a star in the NRLW in previous seasons and while she hasn't been at the same level in 2024 she will kickstart the Tigers work. The fullback will be keen to show people why Bo knows. Up front, Sarah Togatuki will hopefully set the platform for the Tigers to get in the winner's circle for the 2024 season. If she can get them on the front foot, the Tigers can go close to getting off the duck egg.

The easiest answer for the Dragons is superstar fullback Teagan Berry who scored a double in their loss to Canberra. One of them was a kick for herself that she snatched from the defender so if the Dragons need some points she will be right in the thick of it. Another Dragons that found the stripe twice was lock Alexis Tauaneai who crashed over from close range. The Tigers defense hasn't been the strongest this season and she might find more joy on Thursdays.

MY TIP: I think there should be enough points in the Dragons side to get the win in this game and consign the Tigers to the NRLW spoon. **Dragons by 14.**

BRONCOS v SHARKS: Beth NICHOLLS

Two of the best teams finally meet in the 2024, and only one will be able to add a sixth win to their tally for the season.

Despite trailing 18-4, 36 minutes into their clash against the Knights, the Broncos came back to win 32-24, to mark their fifth in a row for the season, not having lost a match since Round 2.

Scott Prince has named the same starting 13-player side that have been getting the job done, with Tazmin Rapana not being included in the squad despite serving her one-match suspension and now being free to play.

Cronulla fell to their first loss last week, after winning their first six consecutive matches in a row this season and sitting in first place in the ladder. The Roosters defeated the Sharks 40-0, with the Sharks' defence and attack looking to have taken a hit for the match. The Sharks will be looking to get back into the winning circle and keep themselves in top of the ladder position.

The Sharks make only one change to the side that was defeated last week. Nakia Davis-Welsh makes her return to the wing after missing last round, which see's Australian Rugby Seven's Olympian, Dominique du Toit, drop out of the side.

Since the Sharks' inaugural season in 2023 these teams have met once, which saw the Broncos come up on top and win by a margin of four points.

WHO TO WATCH: Formerly playing for the Dragons and Eels before moving to the Sharks in 2023 and becoming the clubs captain both this season and last, Tiana Penitani is a valuable member of the Cronulla side. This season Penitani has scored five tries whilst making two try assists, seven line breaks and 21 tackle breaks.

Having joined the Broncos after her 2024 Olympic crusade, former Black Fern Stacey Waaka has made her mark on the NRLW scoring five tries in five games, alongside 21 tackle breaks and five line breaks.

MY TIP: Well, this game could really shake up the race for the minor premiership, with the Sharks still two clear of the Roosters and Broncos who are on an equal amount of points. A Sharks win would keep them ahead in the race, but a Broncos win puts them closer in the fight for the minor prem, also depending on the Roosters' Round 8 performance. This match-up is between two of the best clubs of the 2024 season, the Sharks who have won 6/7 and the Broncos who haven't lost in over a month, it really could be either team's game. [Though the author has the utter most faith in their team...] **Broncos by 16.**

TITANS v KNIGHTS: Tim COSTELLO

Hosts on their last chance saloon, reigning premiers just need to make the four

Saturday's second match of a Cbus Super Stadium double header sees a rematch of the 2023 decider. It couldn't come at a more needed time for the Gold Coast, who are a win out of the top four with two games remaining, requiring two wins and other results falling their way to make it to the pointy end once more.

The most notable thing about last year's runners-up in their last-start loss to Parramatta on Sunday was that they absolutely dominated possession - but somehow failed to turn that into a victory. Their attack was clunky (largely down to a lack of consistency in their spine) and defensively they struggled when the Eels used the ball.

Newcastle's title defence has had a couple of stumbles itself. Their results have gone in twos - two wins, two losses, two wins... and then they lost last weekend in a thriller against Brisbane at home. On pattern, they're due a loss - but they are surely made of sterner stuff. Their loss to the Broncos was a familiar story, not quite being able to put together a full 70-minute performance.

Glancing at the team sheets, the Gold Coast have a bunch of issues to contend with. Lauren Brown (halfback, hand) is out which brings Lailani Montgomery in. Thankfully they do get prolific tryscoring centre Jaime Chapman (hamstring) back after she was a withdrawal ahead of the Eels game, and Taliah Fuimaono returns along side her in the centres. Niall Williams-Guthrie (lisfranc) is out and Sarina Masaga is benched.

By comparison, Newcastle bring Nita Maynard into their 17 at the expensive of Evie Jones in the only change.

WHO TO WATCH: Both fullbacks are well-known names in the NRLW with Evania Pelite setting the field alight for the Gold Coast and Newcastle's Tamika Upton one of the league's stand-out stars.

Expect both of these electric number 1's to have a key impact in the Grand Final re-match.

MY TIP: The settled nature of the Newcastle teamsheet is really what is influencing my tip this week. Keeping a consistent lineup - particularly the spine - is important, and the loss of Lauren Brown cannot be understated. **Knights by 12.**

ROOSTERS v COWBOYS: AJ LUCANTONIO

Aitken-less Roosters look to crow against resurgent Cowboys

After their most complete performance of the 2024 season, the Sydney Roosters are looking to continue their charge towards a fifth straight finals appearance when they face the North Queensland Cowboys. Sydney comprehensively accounted for the previously undefeated Cronulla with a 40-0 massacre last Sunday. Right from the opening whistle, the Roosters were just more willing to play physical and outduel the Sharks in every area. There was one sizable blow and that was the injury to half Tarryn Aitken. She will be sidelined with an AC joint injury which is a blow for the Roosters attack which was finally in sync after a slow start to the season. This will see some changes to the way the Roosters attack with Jocelyn Kelleher taking command of the attack, expect Brydie Parker to be a strong foil at six, running the ball with Kelleher taking more of the kicking game. This may see Isabelle Kelly roam in a role we see Joey Manu utilise brilliantly in the men's game. The forward pack will continue their dominant role with Utesa Pule and Olivia Kernick having brilliant seasons. Elsewhere, Jayme Fressard returns from suspension sliding onto the wing for Taina Naividi who reverts to the bench. The forward pack has also seen a reshuffle with Amber Hall to start in the second row and Eliza Lopamaua moving to the bench. Millie Elliott also returns from suspension via the bench.

North Queensland have been widely kept out of the broader NRLW picture so far, they have been quietly going about their own business with some solid performances. Last weekend, they were brilliant in a 24-22 win over the win-less Tigers. Despite the results, coach Ricky Henry would be unhappy with how the Tigers were allowed back into the game last weekend. Some poorly timed errors and lapses in discipline gave the Tigers plenty of chances to come back into the match. Kirra Dibb was brilliant with her kicking game causing all sorts of problems for back threes across the NRLW so far. Elsewhere, young sensation Lavinia Tauhalaliku has been sensational coming out of her own end as well as finishing off a great opening try last weekend. Jakiya Whitfeld is another that is relishing her new environment, has been targeted in defence where the Tigers had some strong success last week so that's an area to watch. Onto team news and there's changes in the pack. Lily Peacock returns to the squad via the bench in the only change to the 17 downed the Tigers last week, pushing Shellie Long into the reserves. Co-captain Talisha Harden is named in the no. 8 jersey with Sareka Mooka moving from the starting side onto the bench.

WHO TO WATCH: Keeley Davis out of dummy half has been incredibly solid for the Roosters. Successfully laying a platform for the forwards to shine, defensively she has also been solid in the middle, averaging 24 tackles a game as well. Expect her to become more involved in the attack with the Aitken injury.

For the Cowboys, after a quiet start to the season, Tahlulah Tillett finally delivered a statement game to solidify her starting spot. Tillett provided a much needed foil to Dibb's kicking game by setting up two tries and having heavy involvement in the Cowboys attack. Up against new Roosters edges, Tillett's ball playing will be key as the visitors look to exploit it.

MY TIP: I like the Cowboys in this one, especially given the changes in the Roosters back-line. I just question their defensive resilience after the way the Tigers were able to pile on the points in the second half to make the result closer than it should be. **Roosters by 6.**

RAIDERS v EELS: Josh ROBERTSON

The final game of Round 8 NRLW action comes from the Nation's Capital as the Canberra Raiders play host to the Parramatta Eels as the visitors look to keep their finals hopes alive.

Sitting in eighth spot, the Canberra Raiders have just two wins this season though they could have had a lot more had they not thrown away as many leads as they have this season having started fast then wilting against their opposition who go straight past them. Last week though, the Raiders mid-game fade didn't fully come back to bite them as they had a 38-34 victory over the Dragons. The Green Machine had a 16-4 lead before falling 28-16 behind as the game continued to see-saw before ultimately the Raiders took the victory. The Raiders who have been struck by injuries get a number of key players back including Simaima Taufa, Hollie-Mae Dodd and Mackenzie Wiki all returning to the side. Taufa returns at lock, Dodd returns from suspension to the second row and Wiki into the centres. The three returning players see Chante Temara return to hooker and Felice Quinlan going to the bench.

After a dismal 2023, the Parramatta Eels have well and truly put themselves into finals contention sitting just outside the top 4 on points difference with four wins from their seven matches so far in 2024. Last week, the Eels were in a battle at home in Merrylands when they were able to overcome the Gold Coast Titans with a 24-14 win. The Blue & Gold started quickly opening 12-0 lead inside 10 minutes before the visitors were able to get it back to 12-8 at the break. The Eels then saw their lead disappear before two tries in the last ten minutes got Parramatta back in front and ultimately to victory. The Eels off the back of the victory have named a totally unchanged team going for stability.

WHO TO WATCH: The battle of the "veterans" Simaima Taufa brings plenty of experience to the Raiders line up on her return. The Raiders will need Taufa's experience to calm heads down in a side that is panicked at times and can't hold a lead which will take them a long way against an in-form Parramatta.

Another veteran, Parramatta forward Elsie Albert has had arguably her best season to date in the NRLW and last week she showed why. Picking up a try double, Albert had also run for 144m from 15 runs and put in what was her best performance to date this season which has been strong. The Eels will need to see a similar game from Elsie Albert as they did last week to beat the Raiders.

MY TIP: As with all NRLW games this season, the game is hard to tip but you can never be confident with the Raiders so I think that the Eels good form will get them over the line. It will be a game where both sides look as if they are going onto win but with the likes of Elsie Albert's recent performances I think the Blue & Gold will get the win in Canberra. **Eels by 10.**



2ND **PENRITH**
PANTHERS

SYDNEY 3RD
ROOSTERS



VENUE	Bluebet Stadium (Penrith Park)	Ashley KLEIN	REFEREE
LOCATION	Dharug Penrith, NSW	Liam KENNEDY, Chris SUTTON	TOUCH JUDGES
DAY & TIME	Friday 13 September 2024 7:50pm AEST	Grant ATKINS	NRL BUNKER

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts							Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
28	17	10	31	-	102	Dylan EDWARDS	1	FULLBACK	1	James TEDESCO		31	22	14	-	-	56
22	20	16	-	-	64	Sunia TURUVA	2	WING	2	Daniel TUPOU		33	21	19	-	-	76
22	23	9	-	-	36	Izack TAGO	3	CENTRE	3	Joseph-Aukuso SUA'ALI'I		21	18	4	18	-	52
20	13	5	17	-	54	Paul ALAMOTI	4	CENTRE	4	Joseph MANU		28	20	10	-	-	40
26	21	12	-	-	48	Brian TO'O	5	WING	5	Dominic YOUNG		23	19	19	-	-	76
27	21	3	-	-	12	Jarome LUAI	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Luke KEARY		32	23	4	3	-	22
26	10	4	40	1	98	Nathan CLEARY	7	HALFBACK	7	Sandon SMITH		21	12	-	-	-	-
29	23	2	-	-	8	Moses LEOTA	8	FRONT ROW	8	Spencer LENIU		24	14	1	-	-	4
26	21	2	-	-	8	Mitch KENNY	9	HOOKER	9	Connor WATSON		28	18	2	-	-	8
28	20	4	-	-	16	James FISHER-HARRIS	10	FRONT ROW	10	Lindsay COLLINS		28	20	1	-	-	4
31	15	3	-	-	12	Scott SORENSEN	11	SECOND ROW	11	Angus CRICHTON		28	20	11	-	-	44
27	19	2	-	-	8	Liam MARTIN	12	SECOND ROW	12	Sitili TUPOUNIUA		27	18	7	-	-	28
29	22	2	-	-	8	Isaah YEO	13	LOCK	13	Nat BUTCHER		27	20	3	-	-	12
24	12	1	-	-	4	Trent TOELAU	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Zach DOCKAR-CLAY		29	5	-	-	-	-
24	24	4	-	-	16	Lindsay SMITH	15		15	Naufahu WHYTE		22	20	1	-	-	4
23	21	2	-	-	8	Liam HENRY	16		16	Siuu WONG		21	8	-	-	-	-
29	14	5	-	-	20	Luke GARNER	17		17	Terrell MAY		25	24	5	-	-	20
32	17	-	-	-	-	Matt EISENHUTH	18	RESERVES	18	Michael JENNINGS		36	9	3	-	-	12
23	12	4	1	-	18	Brad SCHNEIDER	19		19	Blake STEEP		19	3	1	-	-	4
18	7	3	-	-	12	Casey McLEAN	20		20	Mark NAWAQANITAWASE		24	1	1	-	-	4
25	15	2	-	-	8	Daine LAURIE	21		21	Jake ELLIOTT		19	-	-	-	-	-
24	3	1	-	-	4	Luke SOMMERTON	22		22	Salesi FOKETI		20	-	-	-	-	-
53	448	-	-	-	-	Ivan CLEARY		COACHES		Trent ROBINSON		47	308	-	-	-	-

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	TOTAL	PENRITH	SYDNEY	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	100	43	56	1
BLUEBET	50	24	26	0
FINALS	4	3	1	0
ASHLEY KLEIN	6	3	3	0

LAST FIVE MEETINGS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2022	Round 11	PENRITH 32-12	SCG	14482
2022	Round 16	PENRITH 26-18	BlueBet	16725
2023	Round 11	PENRITH 48-4	BlueBet	20255
2023	Round 15	PENRITH 30-6	Allianz	23610
2024	Round 4	PENRITH 22-16	Allianz	25898

BIGGEST WINS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2013	Round 21	SYDNEY 42-6	Centrebet	11879
2023	Round 11	PENRITH 48-4	BlueBet	20255

STATE OF PLAY after ROUND 27

TEAM	POSITION	PLAYED	BYES	W-L-D	FOR	AGAINST
PENRITH	2ND	24	3	17-7-0	580	394
SYDNEY	3RD	24	3	16-8-0	738	463

LAST THREE

TEAM	ROUND 25	RESULT	ROUND 26	RESULT	ROUND 27	RESULT
PENRITH	CANBERRA	L 18-22	SOUTHS	W 34-12	GOLD COAST	W 18-12
SYDNEY	GOLD COAST	W 48-22	CANBERRA	L 12-14	SOUTHS	W 36-28

WHAT'S NEXT?

RESULT	OUTCOME
WINNER	Week 3 Preliminary Final, hosting winner of 1st Semi Final
LOSER	Week 2 Semi Final, hosting winner of Canterbury v Manly

THINGS TO KNOW

- Penrith have won their last 9 straight finals games. If they win this game they will equal the record for most consecutive finals wins set by St George from 1958-1962
- The Roosters last win over Penrith at BlueBet Stadium was in 2017. They've lost all 6 games there since. Penrith have won their last 9 straight games against the Roosters, with the Roosters scoring more than 20 points on just one of those occasions
- Luke KEARY needs two more tries for 50 NRL tries
- Sunia TURUVA will play his 50th NRL game

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MATCH PREVIEW

Rob CROSBY

West meets East in finals showdown

The 2024 NRL finals series gets underway on Friday evening with the Penrith Panthers defending their premiership crown against the injury-hit Sydney Roosters in a Qualifying Final at BlueBet Stadium.

Securing a top two finish for the fifth straight season to earn one last match at home before the stadium is redeveloped, the Penrith Panthers will be hoping to extend an emphatic record over their opponents to earn passage straight through to the final four.

Winning 11 out of 13 finals matches during Ivan Cleary's second stint with the club, the Panthers hold an undefeated record over the Roosters from nine matches contested since the start of 2020.

The Panthers have named Nathan Cleary to return after three weeks on the sidelines with Trent Toelau preferred ahead of Brad Schneider in jersey 14 in the only change from the side that defeated the Titans 18-12 last Saturday night.

Captain Isaah Yeo will play his 243rd match for Penrith, equalling Steve Carter for the most premiership appearances for the club, while departing outside back Sunia Turuva will make his 50th appearance in first grade.

The Panthers have won seven of their 11 matches against top eight teams in 2024, including a victory away from home against the Roosters during the Easter long weekend.

Finishing in the top four for the first time since 2020 to earn a guaranteed second chance in September, the Sydney Roosters will be boosted by returning cavalry as they strive to pull off an upset.

The Roosters will welcome back Daniel Tupou, Dominic Young, Lindsay Collins and Nat Butcher after coach Trent Robinson rested the quartet last Friday for the side's 36-28 win over the Rabbitohs.

Winning two of their last seven finals in the years since claiming the 2019 Grand Final, coach Robinson has won only three out of ten visits to Penrith during his tenure with the most recent victory occurring in 2017

The Roosters have managed three wins from their ten matches against top eight teams this season and failed in all four attempts to beat a top four team.

This is the fifth meeting between the Panthers and Roosters in finals football; the Panthers have won three of the previous clashes including the lone meeting at the foot of the mountains four years ago.

WHO TO WATCH: Winning 38 out of 42 matches at BlueBet Stadium since establishing himself as a starting playmaker at the start of the decade, Jarome Luai will be eager to make his final appearance at Penrith one to remember. Taking on greater responsibility as a more dominant playmaker this season with 13 try-assists and 15 forced drop-outs, the 27-year-old has remained an attacking threat with 100 running metres on average each week. Making his first finals appearance in a win against the Roosters four years ago, Luai will be eyeing a similar result on Friday night.

Having played the vast majority of his career at Penrith as an impactful interchange forward, Spencer Leniu will return to the foot of the mountains determined to make his mark as a starting prop. Performing strongly on the field after an infamous start to life at the Roosters, the 24-year-old has averaged close to 100 running metres and 20 tackles each week, along with a devastating State of Origin campaign with NSW. Coming up against the Panthers for the first time after missing the regular season clash through suspension, the Roosters will need Leniu to be at his destructive best if they are to reach a preliminary final for the first time this decade.

FAVOURITE: The Panthers are expected to extend their record over the Roosters to ten straight wins.

MY TIP: On a night which will see the Panthers farewell their home ground and celebrate a major player milestone, the reigning premiers should have the measure of their opponents. **Panthers by 12.**



1ST **MELBOURNE**
STORM

CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND 4TH
SHARKS



VENUE	AAMI Park (Melbourne Rectangular Stadium)	Gerard SUTTON	REFEREE
LOCATION	Wurundjeri Melbourne, VIC	Michael WISE, Dave MUNRO	TOUCH JUDGES
DAY & TIME	Saturday 14 September 2024 4:05pm AEST	Chris BUTLER	NRL BUNKER

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts							Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
26	17	11	-	-	44	Ryan PAPHENHUYZEN	1	FULLBACK	1	William KENNEDY		27	23	5	-	-	20
26	21	13	-	-	52	Will WARBRICK	2	WING	2	Sione KATOA		27	21	15	-	-	60
21	13	3	-	-	12	Jack HOWARTH	3	CENTRE	3	Jesse RAMIEN		27	23	6	-	-	24
27	21	5	93	-	206	Nick MEANEY	4	CENTRE	4	Kayal IRO		24	20	6	-	-	24
23	13	10	-	-	40	Xavier COATES	5	WING	5	Ronaldo MULITALO		24	20	17	-	-	68
30	14	2	-	-	8	Cameron MUNSTER	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Braydon TRINDALL		25	17	10	29	-	98
29	20	9	-	-	36	Jahrome HUGHES	7	HALFBACK	7	Nicho HYNES		28	15	2	54	1	117
28	17	2	-	-	8	Nelson ASOFA-SOLOMONA	8	FRONT ROW	8	Toby RUDOLF		28	18	1	-	-	4
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29	23	3	-	-	12	Josh KING	10	FRONT ROW	10	Oregon KAUFUSI		25	23	2	-	-	8
24	21	2	-	-	8	Shawn BLORE	11	SECOND ROW	11	Briton NIKORA		26	22	9	-	-	36
24	22	12	-	-	48	Eliesa KATOA	12	SECOND ROW	12	Teig WILTON		24	20	5	-	-	20
23	23	-	-	-	-	Trent LOIERO	13	LOCK	13	Cameron McINNES		30	23	1	-	-	4
24	23	12	13	-	74	Tyran WISHART	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Daniel ATKINSON		23	17	5	14	2	50
30	17	-	-	-	-	Christian WELCH	15		15	Jack WILLIAMS		28	22	2	-	-	8
30	19	1	-	-	4	Tui KAMIKAMICA	16		16	Royce HUNT		29	17	1	-	-	4
22	19	2	-	-	8	Alec MacDONALD	17		17	Siosifa TALAKAI		27	21	6	-	-	24
24	14	8	-	-	32	Grant ANDERSON	18	RESERVES	18	Braden HAMLIN-UELE		29	12	1	-	-	4
25	7	1	-	-	4	Lazarus VAALEPU	19		19	Chris VEA'ILA		21	-	-	-	-	-
24	4	-	-	-	-	Kane BRADLEY	20		20	Jayden BERRELL		29	3	-	-	-	-
22	11	1	-	-	4	Joe CHAN	21		21	Samuel STONESTREET		22	5	8	-	-	32
23	1	1	-	-	4	Aivalu LISATI	22		22	Thomas HAZELTON		25	22	7	-	-	28
64	576	-	-	-	-	Craig BELLAMY		COACHES		Craig FITZGIBBON		47	75	-	-	-	-

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	TOTAL	MELBOURNE	CRONULLA	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	46	29	17	0
AAMI	15	12	3	0
FINALS	3	2	1	0
GERARD SUTTON	5	4	1	0

LAST FIVE MEETINGS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2021	Round 25	MELBOURNE 28-16	Cbus Super	8580
2022	Round 6	MELBOURNE 34-18	AAMI	16286
2022	Round 17	CRONULLA 28-6	Pointsbet	7868
2023	Round 15	MELBOURNE 54-10	AAMI	20253
2024	Round 10	CRONULLA 25-18	AAMI	18670

BIGGEST WINS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2005	Round 22	CRONULLA 40-16	Toyota	13575
2023	Round 15	MELBOURNE 54-10	AAMI	20253

STATE OF PLAY after ROUND 27

TEAM	POSITION	PLAYED	BYES	W-L-D	FOR	AGAINST
MELBOURNE	1ST	24	3	19-5-0	692	449
CRONULLA	4TH	24	3	16-8-0	653	431

LAST THREE

TEAM	ROUND 25	RESULT	ROUND 26	RESULT	ROUND 27	RESULT
MELBOURNE	DOLPHINS	W 48-6	NORTH QLD	L 30-38	BRISBANE	W 50-12
CRONULLA	ST GEO ILLA	W 38-10	WARRIORS	L 28-30	MANLY	W 40-20

WHAT'S NEXT?

RESULT	OUTCOME
WINNER	Week 3 Preliminary Final, hosting winner of 2nd Semi Final
LOSER	Week 2 Semi Final, hosting winner of North Qld v Newcastle

THINGS TO KNOW

- Sharks have won just 1 of their 9 finals games since winning the 2016 Grand Final (that win was in 2018, they've lost all 6 since then)
- Nicho Hynes has yet to record a win against his former club, Melbourne.
- Toby RUDOLF will play is 100th NRL game

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MATCH PREVIEW

Andy P

It's a Sharknado in Melbourne as finals season opens.

2024 NRL minor premiers Melbourne Storm will prepare a special welcome for the Cronulla Sharks as each team is poised to pen their own part of history into the finals series.

Both teams staunchly ended the regular season, with the Storm dispatching a hapless Brisbane Broncos 12-50 at Suncorp stadium. The Sharks showed no mercy in taking it to the Maly Sea Eagles 20-40 at 4 Pines Park.

The stars were out for the Storm last round, only minus Ryan Papenhuyzen, but it didn't matter as they grinded salt into the wounds of the Broncos at Suncorp. Coming off a loss from the round before, coach Craig Bellamy was keen to get his team running hot into the finals. Off the back of another stellar performance from Jahrome Hughes, the Storm clearly showed they are hitting their straps for their finals run. Ryan Papenhuyzen returns from injury, and Christian Welch is available after being ill last round. Sualauvi Faalogo has picked up a hamstring injury and is likely to be out for two weeks.

The Sharks showed they are genuine contenders, with a solid performance from the players all around. Coach Craig Fitzgibbons may have played his cards for a reason in a game that didn't demand a full team. With the Sharks bowing out without a win in their last two finals campaigns, it could be easy to write them off before any whistles blow. However, the performance against Manly shows that the team has earned the right to be where it is and demands respect. Oregon Kaufisi returns to prop for the Saturday clash with Royce Hunt on the bench. Shark fan favourite Tom Hazelton picked up a knee injury from the last round and is named in the extended lineup. Toby Rudolf will make his 100th NRL appearance for the game.

WHO TO WATCH: When we look at the spine of the Storm, Harry Grant, Cameron Munster, Jahrome Hughes and Ryan Papenhuyzen, we have to appreciate the depth of skill and raw ability that, if it lines up, will be perfect. With a hat trick, over 150 meters ran, and several line breaks, Hughes was the best on the field last round, but that's been the case for most of the year. With many of Hughes's partners in crime of the spine missing due to injury and Origin through the year, the Kiwi halfback didn't miss a beat and has been one of the best halfbacks of the season.

We had a taste of Xavier Coates last round, and the champion winger will be aiming to add to his tally of 29 tries in 25 games at AAMI Park, one of those tries in round 2 against the Warriors surely still in contention for try of the year. His athletic ability is balanced out on the other side of the field, as Will Warbrick has also been eating up tries. But the big winger's energy in running the ball back and following the breaks in play showcases his skills and gathers plenty of attention from the opposition.

The Storms forward pack consists of workhorses like Joh King and Trent Loiero, as well as impact players like Eliesa Katoa, who will also play a significant role as they slot into the well-oiled machine of the Storm.

The Cronulla Sharks have been winning of a solid platform built by their forwards. Cam McInnes is a warrior, leader, and solid defender in the middle. His presence is a rally to the troops. And he may have been flying under the radar, but Kiwi international Briton Nikora is in top form and bagged two tries at the back end of last rounds game. And that is the thing with Nikora; his fitness and tenacity have helped the Sharks forward hold dominance in their wins this year.

Nicho Hynes has his doubters, but he gave a sound performance in the last round after returning from an injury. Respect for getting to the finals, his old club, and stamping himself as one of the better playmakers of the game will be what are driving Hynes to this finals game, no doubt.

The Sharks have good finishers in Sione Katoa and Ronaldo Mulitalo. Give them space, and they will give you a headache.

FAVOURITE: As it's finals and a top-four clash, deciding who would be the favourite is hard. But looking at the history, it's definitely in favour of the Storm, who won six of their last final games at AAMI Park. In contrast, the Sharks are trying to break their hoodoo of being a no-show in the finals. Unable to register a win in their last six appearances, the onus is on Cronulla to earn the respect of punters.

MY TIP: I give it to the Sharks; they have been a tough side all year and deserve their chance to make amends for the last few years. But taking on an across-the-board class act like the Storm, who are primed, I can't help but lean into the Storm as taking this one home. **Storm by two tries.**



5TH NORTH QUEENSLAND COWBOYS

NEWCASTLE 8TH KNIGHTS



VENUE	QLD Country Bank Stadium (North Qld Stadium)	Todd SMITH	REFEREE
LOCATION	Wulgurukaba Townsville, QLD	Jarrod COLE, Drew OULTRAM	TOUCH JUDGES
DAY & TIME	Saturday 14 September 2024 7:50pm AEST	Wyatt RAYMOND	NRL BUNKER

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts							Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
27	24	10	6	1	54	Scott DRINKWATER	1	FULLBACK	1	Kalyn PONGA		26	15	3	44	-	100
32	23	22	-	-	88	Kyle FELDT	2	WING	2	Fletcher SHARPE		20	11	10	-	-	40
29	22	14	95	-	246	Valentine HOLMES	3	CENTRE	3	Dane GAGAI		33	21	8	10	-	52
21	16	2	-	-	8	Viliani VAILEA	4	CENTRE	4	Bradman BEST		23	17	7	-	-	28
25	16	10	-	-	40	Murray TAULAGI	5	WING	5	Greg MARZHEW		27	21	7	-	-	28
23	22	8	-	-	32	Tom DEARDEN	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Jack COGGER		27	16	2	-	-	8
26	6	1	1	-	6	Jake CLIFFORD	7	HALFBACK	7	Phoenix CROSSLAND		24	23	1	-	-	4
32	20	-	-	-	-	Jordan McLEAN	8	FRONT ROW	8	Daniel SAIFITI		28	22	3	-	-	12
26	21	3	-	-	12	Reece ROBSON	9	HOOKER	9	Jayden BRAILEY		28	22	-	-	-	-
31	21	-	-	-	-	Jason TAUMALOLO	10	FRONT ROW	10	Leo THOMPSON		24	22	1	-	-	4
23	17	5	-	-	20	Heilum LUKI	11	SECOND ROW	11	Tyson FRIZELL		32	18	5	-	-	20
21	21	13	-	-	52	Jeremiah NANAI	12	SECOND ROW	12	Dylan LUCAS		24	20	6	-	-	24
25	21	2	-	-	8	Reuben COTTER	13	LOCK	13	Adam ELLIOTT		29	22	4	-	-	16
26	24	3	-	-	12	Sam McINTYRE	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Tyson GAMBLE		28	13	2	-	-	8
23	14	-	-	-	-	Harrison EDWARDS	15		15	Mat CROKER		25	16	1	-	-	4
20	23	3	-	-	12	Kulikefu FINEFEUIAKI	16		16	Jack HETHERINGTON		28	20	1	-	-	4
23	24	1	-	-	4	Griffin NEAME	17		17	Brodie JONES		26	17	2	-	-	8
19	9	2	-	-	8	Jaxon PURDUE	18	RESERVES	18	Thomas CANT		22	3	-	-	-	-
33	20	3	-	3	15	Chad TOWNSEND	19		19	Will PRYCE		21	6	1	2	-	8
26	12	-	-	-	-	Thomas MIKAELE	20		20	Jackson HASTINGS		28	16	3	19	-	50
-	-	-	-	-	-	Marly BITUNGANE	21		21	Kyle McCARTHY		-	1	-	-	-	-
23	5	1	-	-	4	Tom CHESTER	22		22	Kai PEARCE-PAUL		23	21	1	-	-	4
45	112	-	-	-	-	Todd PAYTEN		COACHES		Adam O'BRIEN		46	120	-	-	-	-

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	TOTAL	NORTH QLD	NEWCASTLE	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	45	23	22	0
QLD C. BANK	5	5	0	0
FINALS	0	0	0	0
TODD SMITH	0	0	0	0

LAST FIVE MEETINGS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2021	Round 11	NORTH QLD 36-20	QLD C. Bank	11208
2021	Round 16	NEWCASTLE 38-0	McD. Jones	7610
2022	Round 9	NORTH QLD 36-16	QLD C. Bank	14463
2023	Round 8	NORTH QLD 18-16	QLD C. Bank	17970
2024	Round 2	NORTH QLD 21-20	QLD C. Bank	18986

BIGGEST WINS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2005	Round 4	NORTH QLD 52-18	Dairy Farmers	22347
2021	Round 16	NEWCASTLE 38-0	McD. Jones	7610

STATE OF PLAY after ROUND 27

TEAM	POSITION	PLAYED	BYES	W-L-D	FOR	AGAINST
NORTH QLD	5TH	24	3	15-9-0	657	568
NEWCASTLE	8TH	24	3	12-12-0	470	510

LAST THREE

TEAM	ROUND 25	RESULT	ROUND 26	RESULT	ROUND 27	RESULT
NORTH QLD	(BYE)		MELBOURNE	W 38-30	CANTERBURY	W 44-6
NEWCASTLE	SOUTHS	W 36-16	GOLD COAST	W 36-14	DOLPHINS	W 14-6

WHAT'S NEXT?

RESULT	OUTCOME
WINNER	Away Semi Final in Week 2 to loser of Melbourne v Cronulla
LOSER	Eliminated

THINGS TO KNOW

- This will be the first time these sides have met in a finals match. Cowboys have won 21 of the last 34 games between these sides. (since 2004)
- The Knights have had one win over the Cowboys from their last 12 visits to Townsville – back in 2015. They've lost all 8 games in Townsville against the Cowboys since
- Murray TAULAGI needs 2 more tries for 50 NRL tries

MATCH PREVIEW

Aidan EDGECOMB

Do or die clash for finals hopefuls

A month ago, no one gave the Newcastle Knights any hope of reaching the finals, as they sat in twelfth spot – four points behind the Dragons in eighth. Somehow, Newcastle came off victorious in four of their last five games, and benefited from losses to teams above them to snag eighth place by the skin of their teeth.

They come off a tightly fought 14-8 win against the Dolphins, who were battling desperately for their maiden finals berth, but came up just short against a Knights outfit with plenty of fight. This fight, is what coach Adam O'Brien thinks will give his side the edge this week, as they travel up to Townsville to face the North Queensland Cowboys, who have enjoyed a somewhat breezy end to their season.

It seems North Queensland are peaking at just the right time, with their backend of the year silencing critics, and positioning themselves as genuine contenders to win the premiership. Remarkably, it's the fifth placed Cowboys which have the best record against top eight teams in 2024, winning seven of ten games against this season's finalists, compared to only one of ten games won by the Knights.

This was demonstrated to perfection last week, being only the second team this year to score over 30 points against the Bulldogs, with a 44-6 flogging of the side so renowned for their strong defence. They'll be looking to build momentum with another convincing win and push to become the first team in the NRL era to win a grand final from outside the top four.

In team news, the Cowboys welcome back Jordan McLean to start in the front row, pushing Sam McIntyre to the bench and Thomas Mikaele into the reserves. The Knights have named an unchanged 17 from their victory last week, with Kai Pearce-Paul being added to the extended squad, with a chance of returning from an injury suffered in round 25.

WHO TO WATCH: Although plenty of praise has quite rightly been heaped on Cowboys co-captain Tom Dearden, I believe halves partner Jake Clifford is worthy of equal recognition. His kicking game has been on point in 2024, and looks more comfortable controlling the game each week. In only his second NRL finals game to date, a lot of eyes will be on Clifford to see if his strong form can continue. Despite holding strong in recent weeks, the edge defence of North Queensland has been subject to scrutiny throughout 2024. This opens up the door beautifully for Tyson Frizell, who runs a dangerous line and is capable of punching holes from anywhere on the field. He was uncharacteristically quiet when these sides met in round two, but with the Knights season on the line, except Frizell to step up big time.

FAVOURITE: The North Queensland Cowboys are favourites to win at home

MY TIP: I have a soft spot for the Knights, and they're capable of playing enthralling football on their day. Still, such a cut-throat end to the season can't do well for a team's stamina and fitness, and a warm afternoon in Townsville shapes to be their biggest test yet. The Cowboys have taken all the criticism handed to them the last two years in their stride and forged a culture one has to admire. At home, I think they'll be too strong. **Cowboys by 14.**

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6TH **CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN BULLDOGS**

MANLY-WARRINGAH 7TH **SEA EAGLES**



VENUE	Accor Stadium (Stadium Australia)	Grant ATKINS	REFEREE
LOCATION	Wanngal Sydney Olympic Park, NSW	Matt NOYEN, Phil HENDERSON	TOUCH JUDGES
DAY & TIME	Sunday 15 September 2024 4:05pm AEST	Ashley KLEIN	NRL BUNKER

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts							Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
28	21	7	-	-	28	Connor TRACEY	1	FULLBACK	1	Tom TRBOJEVIC		27	18	17	-	-	68
22	24	11	-	-	44	Jacob KIRAZ	2	WING	2	Tommy TALAU		24	21	16	-	-	64
24	18	10	-	-	40	Bronson XERRI	3	CENTRE	3	Toluta'u KOULA		22	19	6	-	-	24
23	20	9	1	-	38	Stephen CRICHTON	4	CENTRE	4	Reuben GARRICK		27	22	10	75	-	190
25	4	2	-	-	8	Jeral SKELTON	5	WING	5	Lehi HOPOATE		19	12	9	-	-	36
24	22	9	71	3	181	Matt BURTON	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Luke BROOKS		29	24	5	-	-	20
23	15	1	5	-	14	Toby SEXTON	7	HALFBACK	7	Daly CHERRY-EVANS		35	22	7	16	2	62
27	18	-	-	-	-	Max KING	8	FRONT ROW	8	Taniela PASEKA		26	21	1	-	-	4
26	24	4	-	-	16	Reed MAHONEY	9	HOOKER	9	Lachlan CROKER		27	14	2	-	-	8
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-	8	1	-	-	4	Harry HAYES	16		16	Ethan BULLEMOR		24	21	2	-	-	8
25	23	3	-	-	12	Josh CURRAN	17		17	Nathan BROWN		31	20	-	-	-	-
25	8	2	-	-	8	Blake TAAFFE	19	RESERVES	18	Clayton FAULALO		-	3	2	-	-	8
22	6	-	-	-	-	Lipoi HOPOI	20		19	Jamie HUMPHREYS		22	1	1	3	-	10
-	1	-	-	-	-	Jonathan SUA	21		20	Toafofoa SIPLEY		29	13	1	-	-	4
29	13	-	-	-	-	Drew HUTCHISON	22		21	Gordon CHAN KUM TONG		22	10	-	-	-	-
23	4	-	-	-	-	Chris PATOLO	23		22	Corey WADDELL		27	17	3	-	-	12
39	55	-	-	-	-	Cameron CIRALDO		COACHES		Anthony SEIBOLD		49	113	-	-	-	-

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	TOTAL	CANTERBURY	MANLY	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	138	59	74	5
ACCOR	18	9	9	0
FINALS	5	4	1	0
GRANT ATKINS	1	0	1	0

LAST FIVE MEETINGS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2022	Round 3	MANLY 13-12	4 Pines	13261
2022	Round 25	CANTERBURY 21-20	Accor	13648
2023	Round 1	MANLY 31-6	4 Pines	17278
2023	Round 26	MANLY 42-24	Accor	13074
2024	Round 26	MANLY 34-22	Accor	35502

BIGGEST WINS

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE	CROWD
2003	Round 23	CANTERBURY 56-24	Brookvale	12820
2021	Round 16	MANLY 66-0	Bankwest	-

STATE OF PLAY after ROUND 27

TEAM	POSITION	PLAYED	BYES	W-L-D	FOR	AGAINST
CANTERBURY	6TH	24	3	14-10-0	529	433
MANLY	7TH	24	3	13-10-1	634	521

LAST THREE

TEAM	ROUND 25	RESULT	ROUND 26	RESULT	ROUND 27	RESULT
CANTERBURY	WARRIORS	W 34-18	MANLY	L 22-34	NORTH QLD	L 6-44
MANLY	W TIGERS	L 26-34	CANTERBURY	W 34-22	CRONULLA	L 20-40

WHAT'S NEXT?

RESULT	OUTCOME
WINNER	Away Semi Final in Week 2 to loser of Penrith v Sydney
LOSER	Eliminated

THINGS TO KNOW

- On match day, it will have been 2926 days since the Bulldogs last played a finals game (2016) and 3291 days since they last won a finals match (2015) – their second longest finals drought behind their 1948-1959 era in the finals wilderness
- On match day, it will have been 4037 days between Luke Brooks' debut NRL game and his debut finals appearance
- Bulldogs have won their last 3 finals matches against Manly. Manly's last finals win against the Bulldogs was in 1976
- This will be Reed MAHONEY's 150th NRL game

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MATCH PREVIEW

Luke JOBSON

Sunday afternoon in the heartland of Rugby League - where else would you rather be?

The Canterbury Bulldogs play finals football for the first time in nearly a decade as they take on the Manly Sea Eagles from Accor Stadium on Sunday afternoon.

Having had one of the best runs seen in the competition over the second half of the season, the Dogs attack has been revitalized with Connor Tracey and Toby Sexton providing crucial support to Matt Burton and Stephen Crichton. While the Bulldogs fell by the wayside in the last two weeks with losses to the Cowboys and Manly, they come into this game knowing that they've got what it takes to go against the best.

We are expecting the Bulldogs to attack the Manly edge defence early, testing out Tolutau Koula and Karl Lawton in the opening phases. One can also expect Jacob Kiraz to be a target for the last tackle kicks deep in attack.

The Sea Eagles have battled at times in 2024, having lost Tom Trbojevic twice this season as well as a host of injuries through the representative period. Despite two shock losses to the Tigers and Sharks over the final three weeks, the Sea Eagles will come in as favourites with the vast finals experience as well as the return of Tom Trbojevic.

Daly Cherry Evans will look to guide his side around to yet another finals win, as the side looks to capitalize on their win against the Dogs just two weeks ago. The aforementioned Tom Trbojevic will be floating around the middle, hoping to exploit the Bulldogs forwards in what is a mouthwatering prospect for all Manly fans.

Josh Addo-Carr has stood himself down this week after being subject to an investigation, as Jeral Skelton makes his way into the starting 17. Bronson Xerri and Matt Burton return for the Dogs who got put into their kennel last week, with Blake Taaffe named 18th man.

Tom Trbojevic returns for the Sea Eagles, so Tolu Koula moves to centre, Tommy Talau to the win and Clayton Faulolo heads to the reserves. In what is a small win already, Luke Brooks plays his first ever game of finals football in what is his 231st game in the NRL.

WHO TO WATCH: Matt Burton will be a man on a mission as he looks to take the Bulldogs deeper into September. His involvement in the running game is crucial to getting Canterbury on the front foot, with his combination alongside Viliame Kikau expected to cause problems. His kicking game needs no mention, with the afternoon sun expecting to prove problematic for the back 3 of the Sea Eagles.

It sounds like a broken record, but Tom Trbojevic has to be here for the Sea Eagles to want to progress. They severely missed him last week against the Sharks, as Cronulla were able to snuff out Tolu Koula across the park. The last time Tommy Turbo came back from injury, it took a game before he was really firing - something that can't happen this week as he returns from an AC joint injury. If Turbo runs the Dogs ragged, Manly will run into the second week of finals.

FAVOURITE: These two teams can't be split.

MY TIP: The game of week one is lucky last - with a Canterbury side full of experienced individual campaigners, but not as a team this deep into the season. There's no denying how much they've improved under Cameron Ciraldo, with the recruitment playing a huge part in the success this season. Manly, however, are a team full of September members, having been in more finals recently than nearly any other side. The experience of Daly Cherry Evans will prove just too much for the Dogs, who will come back next year to bite harder... but they won't be barking on Sunday night. **Sea Eagles by 4.**

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NSWRL TEAMLISTS and RESULTS

KNOCK ON EFFECT NSW CUP FINALS WEEK 2

MINOR SEMI FINAL: CANBERRA RAIDERS V PENRITH PANTHERS

Sun September 15 2024, 1:00pm at Leichhardt Oval, Lilyfield / Wanngal; Referee: Damian Brady; Sideline Officials: Nick Beashel, Tom Stindl

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts	CANBERRA			PENRITH			Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
19	14	5	-	-	20	Chevy STEWART	1	FULLBACK	1	Isaiah IONGI	-	23	6	-	-	24	
25	14	4	-	-	16	Nick COTRIC	2	WING	2	Asu KEPAOA	24	18	9	-	-	36	
-	25	6	-	-	24	Mitchell SPENCER	3	CENTRE	3	Tyrone PEACHEY	33	22	12	2	-	52	
-	16	4	-	-	16	Prinston ESERA	4	CENTRE	4	Casey McLEAN	18	9	1	-	-	4	
23	22	12	-	-	48	Jed STUART	5	WING	5	Jesse McLEAN	20	13	11	-	-	44	
-	22	8	-	-	32	Manaia WAITERE	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Daine LAURIE	25	7	5	-	-	20	
-	18	10	35	1	111	Mitch HENDERSON	7	HALFBACK	7	Soni LUKE	28	17	1	-	-	4	
24	13	6	-	-	24	Jordan MARTIN	8	FRONT ROW	8	Jordan GRANT	30	21	3	-	-	12	
28	18	1	-	-	4	Zac WOOLFORD	9	HOOKER	9	Luke SOMMERTON	24	15	5	-	-	20	
25	22	1	-	-	4	Peter HOLA	10	FRONT ROW	10	Austin DIAS	26	26	1	-	-	4	
-	17	7	-	-	28	Noah MARTIN	11	SECOND ROW	11	Mavrik GEYER	23	12	5	-	-	20	
-	6	-	-	-	-	Joseph RODDY	12	SECOND ROW	12	Zac LIPOWICZ	-	22	2	-	-	8	
22	25	6	-	-	24	Hohepa PURU	13	LOCK	13	Luron PATEA	-	20	1	-	-	4	
-	10	3	-	-	12	Owen PATTIE	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Billy SCOTT	-	14	-	13	-	26	
23	10	2	-	-	8	Luke WEBLEY	15	-	15	Niko APELU	-	18	1	-	-	4	
-	23	5	-	-	20	Peter TAATEO	16	-	16	Preston RIKI	26	13	2	-	-	8	
-	1	-	-	-	-	Jaxon LAVENDER	17	-	17	Harrison HASSETT	-	22	7	-	-	28	
RESERVES									18	Sione FONUA	-	3	-	-	-	-	
COACHES									Brock SHEPPARD	Ben HARDEN	-	49	-	-	-	-	

HEAD TO HEAD

	TOTAL	CANBERRA	PENRITH	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	9	5	4	0
LEICHHARDT	0	0	0	0

2024 TALE OF THE TAPE

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE
2024	Round 19	CANBERRA 26-24	BlueBet
2024	Round 25	PENRITH 26-24	GIO

MAJOR SEMI FINAL: NORTH SYDNEY BEARS V NEWTOWN JETS

Sun September 15 2024, 5:00pm at Leichhardt Oval, Lilyfield / Wanngal; Referee: Kieren Irons; Sideline Officials: Bradley Kiehne, Tom Cambourn

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts	NORTH SYDNEY			NEWTOWN			Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
-	24	9	81	1	200	Kieran HAYMAN	1	FULLBACK	1	Liam ISON	19	14	10	-	-	40	
-	4	2	-	-	8	Trey PENI	2	WING	2	Tom RODWELL	-	24	7	-	-	28	
-	17	3	-	-	12	Jerry KEY	3	CENTRE	3	Chris VEA'ILA	21	18	8	-	-	32	
25	20	4	-	-	16	Tuipulotu KATOA	4	CENTRE	4	Jordan SWANN	-	10	1	-	-	4	
-	19	20	-	-	80	Allan FITZGIBBON	5	WING	5	Samuel STONESTREET	22	16	11	-	-	44	
-	9	-	-	-	-	Coby THOMAS	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Khaled RAJAB	22	15	3	-	-	12	
21	4	-	-	-	-	Harradyn WILSON	7	HALFBACK	7	Niwhai PURU	22	24	5	65	2	152	
28	24	1	-	-	4	Kurt DE LUIS	8	FRONT ROW	8	Rhys DAKIN	-	20	1	-	-	4	
24	21	3	-	-	12	Ruatapu NGATIKAURA	9	HOOKER	9	Jayden BERRELL	29	15	3	-	-	12	
-	18	-	-	-	-	Regan HUGHES	10	FRONT ROW	10	Tuku HAU TAPUHA	22	12	4	-	-	16	
-	21	3	-	-	12	Matt STIMSON	11	SECOND ROW	11	Kyle PICKERING	-	18	5	-	-	20	
-	5	-	-	-	-	Jack BOYLING	12	SECOND ROW	12	Billy BURNS	25	19	10	-	-	40	
-	22	7	-	-	28	Ben TALTY	13	LOCK	13	Blake HOSKING	-	25	5	-	-	20	
-	20	4	-	-	16	Jayden YATES	14	INTERCHANGE	15	Jordin LEIU	-	22	2	-	-	8	
-	1	-	-	-	-	Michael FENN	15	-	17	Billy MAGOULIAS	27	22	5	-	-	20	
-	14	-	-	-	-	Josh BEVAN	16	-	18	Samuel HEALEY	-	23	8	-	-	32	
-	5	1	-	-	4	Caleb TOHI	17	-	19	Bradley FEARNLEY	-	19	1	-	-	4	
RESERVES									22	Jackson FERRIS	26	11	3	-	-	12	
COACHES									Kieran DEMPSEY	George NDAIRA	39	49	-	-	-	-	

HEAD TO HEAD

	TOTAL	NORTHS	NEWTOWN	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	20	4	13	3
LEICHHARDT	1	0	1	0

2024 TALE OF THE TAPE

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE
2024	Round 15	NORTHS 16-12	Henson
2024	Round 23	NEWTOWN 18-8	North Sydney

NSW CUP FINALS WEEK 1 RESULTS

ELIMINATION FINAL

PENRITH 24 (J. McLean 2, A. Kepaoa, D. Laurie, C. Mclean tries; T. Peachey, B. Scott goals) **DEFEATED WARRIORS 12** (J. Laban, A. Leiataua tries; T. Tuapiki 2 goals) at **Leichhardt Oval**.
Date: Sat, 7th September. Kickoff: 1:00 PM. Halftime: Penrith 8-0. Referee: Kieren Irons.

Warriors: Tuapiki, Tu, Graham-Taufa, Leiataua, Kosi; Hanson, Roache; Ale, Tafua, Afoa, Laban, Halasima, Going (C). Int: Doyle, Stowers-Smith, Mai'u, Ieremia-Toeava.
Penrith: Iongi, Kepaoa, Peachey (C), Mclean, McLean; Laurie, Luke; Grant, Sommerton, Eisenhuth, Geyer, Lipowicz, Patea. Int: Dias, Scott, Riki, Hassett.

QUALIFYING FINAL

NEWTOWN 38 (B. Burns 2, C. Vea'ila 2, B. Hamlin-Uele, K. Rajab tries; N. Puru 7 goals) **DEFEATED CANBERRA 16** (M. Henderson, O. Pattie, M. Waitere tries; A. Cook 2 goals) at **Leichhardt Oval**.
Date: Sat, 7th September. Kickoff: 5:00 PM. Halftime: Newtown 18-0. Penalties: Newtown 8-6. Referee: Damian Brady.

Newtown: Ison, Rodwell, Vea'ila, Swann, Stonestreet; Rajab, Puru; Hamlin-Uele, Berrell, Hau Tapuha, Pickering, Burns (C), Hosking. Int: Leiu, Magoulias, Healey, Fearnley.
Canberra: Stewart, Cotric, Waitere, Esera, Stuart; Henderson, Cook; Guler, Woolford, HOLA, Martin, Spencer, Puru (C). Int: Martin, Roddy, Pattie, Taateo.

NEXT WEEK - PRELIMINARY FINAL

Sat 21 Sep, Campbelltown Stadium
Loser of Norths v Newtown v Winner of Canberra v Penrith

FOLLOWING WEEK - GRAND FINAL

Sun 29 Sep, CommBank Stadium
Winner of Norths v Newtown v Winner of Preliminary Final

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HARVEY NORMAN WOMEN'S PREMIERSHIP ROUND 11

SOUTH SYDNEY RABBITOVS V NEWCASTLE KNIGHTS Fri September 13 2024, 6:30pm at Redfern Oval, Redfern / Gadigal
SOUTH SYDNEY: 1. Georgie Cootie 2. Turzah Donovan 3. Shanelle Lyons 4. Daisy Gordon 5. Paige Knapp 7. Maddie Studdon 8. Nancy Sullivan 9. Ashanti Pennell 10. Hannah Kalland 11. Portia Bourke 12. Khylliah Gray 13. Sian Filipo 14. Kyana Patten 15. Siniva Sa'anga 16. Ashlea Nolan 17. Lowana Mcdougall 18. Chloe Buttigieg **NEWCASTLE:** 1. Lilly-Ann White 2. Tyla Brown 3. Isabella Waterman 4. Carissa Reid 5. Jessica Gentle 6. Jayde Herdengen 7. Melanie Howard 8. Grace Kukutai 9. Joeli Morris 10. Jacinta Carter 11. Fane Finau 12. Evah McEwen 13. Jules Kirkpatrick 14. Leah Ollerton 15. Leilani Ahsam 16. Elizabeth Montgomery 17. Sienna Limpic
 Referee: Olivia Lawne; Sideline Officials: Jaylen Chasle, Alexander Pruscino;

CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN BULLDOGS V MOUNTIES RLFC Sat September 14 2024, 11:00am at Belmore Sports Ground, Belmore / Bidjigal
CANTERBURY: 1. Natalia Webb 2. Summer Van Gelder 3. Sarahcen Oliver 4. Litia Fusi 5. Charlotte Eather 6. Shaquaylah Mahakitau-Monschau 7. Olivia Vaalele 8. Shaniece Monschau 9. Elisiva Felila 10. Grace Giampino 11. Sarai Pule 12. Shannon Muru 13. Latisha Smythe 14. Ambryn Murphy-Haua 15. Macie Carlile 16. Hana Laufale 17. Nanise Vakacavu 21. Hannah Makira 23. Paea Ulou
MOUNTIES: 1. Brooke Wilkins 2. Jacinta Tui 3. Gwen Swann 4. Rebecca Davidson 5. Alanna Dummett 6. Ella Ryan 7. Hollie Massey 8. Teina Clark 9. Janaya Bent 11. Oriana Epata 12. Janelle Williams 13. Kahu Cassidy 14. Sonia Mose 15. Piper Sutton 16. Sarah Boyle 17. Elianna Walton 18. Lara George 19. Terisa Lemauga Nafatali 20. Breeze E'e 21. Kimberly Nikua 22. Marley Cardwell 23. Petesa Lio 24. Ruby Watterson 25. Georgia Clements
 Referee: Curtis Robinson; Sideline Officials: Isaac El-Hassen, Matthew Gomes;

WENTWORTHVILLE MAGPIES V WESTS TIGERS Sat September 14 2024, 11:00am at Ringrose Park, Wentworthville / Boolbainora
WENTWORTHVILLE: 1. Danielle Seckold 2. Alofa Schuster 3. Mia Middleton 4. Carly Abbott 5. Maddi Finch 6. Teliya Hetaraka 7. Aaliyah Soufan 8. Naomi De Bruine 9. Kasey Quy 10. Gloria Kaupa 11. Belinda Gwasamun 12. Zali Waihape 13. Ruby-Jean Kennard 14. Sarah Colman 15. Lily Mock 16. Elianna Suluale 17. Chantel Tugala 18. Rosaline Aumale 19. Caitlin Turnbull 20. Anneka Wilson 21. Sade Schaumkel 22. Leilani Wilson 23. Cassie Siataga 24. Breanna Eales **WESTS TIGERS:** 1. Tess Staines 2. Jessica Whelan 3. Josephine Lenaz 4. Katalina Vave 5. Darcy Eade 6. Ellie Barnett 7. Emily Currtain 8. Lemaima Etuale 9. Montana McLean 10. Elisa Akpa 11. Jessica Kennedy 12. Lucyannah Luamanu-Leiataua 13. Iliasia Haumono 14. Jae Patu 15. Mia Taylor 16. Naomi Bott 18. Myracle Matara
 Referee: Rhianna Boag; Sideline Officials: Rami Abu-Mansour, Matt Galvin;

ILLAWARRA STEELERS V ST GEORGE DRAGONS Sat September 14 2024, 4:00pm at Rex Jackson Park, Helensburgh / Dharawal
ILLAWARRA: 1. Herewaka Pohatu 3. Indie Bostock 4. Lily Rogan 5. Kimberley Hunt 6. Tayleah Handcock 7. Koffi Brookfield 8. Hope Millard 9. Kaarla Cowan 10. Mackenzie Lear 11. Jordyn Preston 12. Olivia Vale 13. Sienna Yeo 14. Tori Shipton 15. Shae Muhleisen 17. Tiarna West 19. Brielle Luccitti 20. Bronte Wilson 23. Rhian Yeo **ST GEORGE:** 1. Katrina Hippen 2. Taliyah Lummow 3. Brittany Constable 4. Heidi Regan 5. Taylah Charman 7. Georgia Toevai 8. Breanna Wood 9. Bianca Cutrupi 10. Taimani Kolomaka 11. Erin Blackwell 12. Grace Li 13. Grace Clarke 15. Jaimee-Lee Cotter 16. Tashjan Managreve 18. Analei Netzler 19. Sarah Gialanze 24. Shanna Vakai 25. Brooke Tauaneai
 Referee: Ryan Micallef; Sideline Officials: William Damato, Bailey Warren

CENTRAL COAST ROOSTERS V PARRAMATTA EELS Sun September 15 2024, 9:45am at Industree Group Stadium, Gosford / Darkinjung
CENTRAL COAST: 1. Jessica Stevens 2. Ashley Ketuu 4. Sharlize Campbell 5. Mele Ketuu 6. Jayla Dicker 7. Olivia Glanville 8. Tess McWilliams 9. Mahlie Cashin 10. Phoenix Lamese 11. Tanaisha Gray 12. Melanie Watherston 13. Sienna Deelely 14. Sienna-Mae Montgomery 17. Taylah Jukes **PARRAMATTA:** 1. Yasmine Baker 2. Alysha Bell 3. Debbie Doueih 4. Kate Fallon 5. Shaye Shipton 6. Aaliyah Haumono 7. Sarah Dimech 8. Rys'h'e Fa'amausili 9. Chelsea Makira 10. Losalio Sito Payne 11. Fontayne Tufuga 12. Tahleisha Maeva 13. Ryyvr-Lee Alo 14. Ashlee Pottinger 15. Bella Sandford 16. Laila Dimech 18. Caitlin Peardon 19. Aliti Namoce 20. Rory Muller 21. Kyanna Lokeni
 Referee: Jabri Daizli; Sideline Officials: Luchlan Bryant, Callum Richardson

MANLY-WARRINGAH SEA EAGLES V CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND SHARKS Sun September 15 2024, 12:00pm at HE Laybutt Sporting Complex, Blacktown / Dharug
MANLY: 1. Chelsea Smyth 2. Teagan Long 3. Aleksandra Tunufai 4. Mollie Tagaloa 5. Pier Pritchard 7. Tyla Montgomery 8. Alianna Tonou 9. Paris Ingegneri 10. Mia Halo 11. Nicole Nathan 13. Lili Boyle 14. Alicia Weir 15. Shiloh Phillips 16. Makayla Eli 18. Riley Mckay 19. Jamee Taitoko 22. Tupou Hopoate **CRONULLA:** 1. Hope Garner 2. Jayme Millard 3. Brittney Brown 4. Elizabeth Lomu-Stewart 5. Taylor Mapusua 6. Luisa Yaranamua 7. Olivia Herman 8. Leki Leilua 9. Luti Maile 10. Lavinia Kitai 11. Ahliwia Ingram 12. Jaydika Tafua 13. Stephanie Faulkner 14. Holly Furness 15. Ariana Harden 16. Lucy Green 17. Pia Tapsell 18. Candith Edmonds Brown
 Referee: Harrison Baysarri; Sideline Officials: Harrison Buxton, Luke Mulligan

ROUND 10 RESULTS

CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN BULLDOGS (18) Tries: Sarahcen Oliver, Sarai Pule, Natalia Webb; Goals: Macie Carlile 2/2, Olivia Vaalele 1/1 **DEF CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND SHARKS (10)** Tries: Brittney Brown, Pia Tapsell; Goals: Jayme Millard 1/2 at **Belmore Sports Ground, Belmore / Bidjigal**
WENTWORTHVILLE MAGPIES (28) Tries: Caitlin Turnbull 3, Mia Middleton, Maddi Finch, Carly Abbott; Goals: Cassie Siataga 2/6 **DEF NEWCASTLE KNIGHTS (24)** Tries: Tyla Brown 2, Carissa Reid, Evah McEwen; Goals: Jessica Gentle 4/5 at **Newcastle Permanent Centre of Excellence, Broadmeadow / Awabakal**
WESTS TIGERS (14) Tries: Katalina Vave, Jessica Whelan, Darcy Eade; Goals: Emily Curtian 1/3 **DEF ST GEORGE DRAGONS (4)** Tries: Breanna Wood at **Lidcombe Oval, Lidcombe / Dharug**
ILLAWARRA STEELERS (32) Tries: Kaarla Cowan, Jordyn Preston, Shae Muhleisen, Kimberley Hunt, Tori Shipton, Indie Bostock; Goals: Tayleah Handcock 4/5 **DEF SOUTH SYDNEY RABBITOVS (6)** Tries: Daisy Gordon; Goals: Maddie Studdon 1/1 at **Ziems Park, Corrimal / Dharawal**
CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN BULLDOGS (22) Tries: Macie Carlile, Sarahcen Oliver, Charlotte Eather, Summer Van Gelder; Goals: Macie Carlile 1/2, Paea Ulou 1/1, Olivia Vaalele 1/1 **DEF MANLY-WARRINGAH SEA EAGLES (14)** Tries: Pier Pritchard, Shontelle Stowers, Chelsea Smyth; Goals: Mollie Tagaloa 1/3 at **Accor Stadium, Sydney Olympic Park / Wanggal**
MOUNTIES (16) Tries: Teina Clark, Gwen Swann, Ella Ryan; Goals: Ella Ryan 2/3 **DEF PARRAMATTA EELS (12)** Tries: Alysha Bell 2, Kate Fallon at **Eric Tweedale Stadium, Merrylands / Dharug**
CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND SHARKS (30) Tries: Jayme Millard 2, Taylor Mapusua, Luisa Yaranamua, Elizabeth Lomu-Stewart, Manilita Takapautolo; Goals: Jayme Millard 3/5 **DEF CENTRAL COAST ROOSTERS (6)** Tries: Imogen Hei; Goals: Melanie Watherston 1/1 at **PointsBet Stadium, Woolooware / Dharawal**

ROUND 10 LADDER	P	W	L	D	B	F	A	Diff	Pts
1. WENTWORTHVILLE MAGPIES	10	9	1	0	0	274	92	182	18
2. ILLAWARRA STEELERS	10	8	2	0	0	304	102	202	16
3. MOUNTIES RLFC	10	6	3	1	0	151	190	-39	13
4. NEWCASTLE KNIGHTS	10	6	4	0	0	244	164	80	12
5. CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN BULLDOGS	10	6	4	0	0	200	180	20	12
6. ST GEORGE DRAGONS	10	4	6	0	0	130	182	-52	8
7. SOUTH SYDNEY RABBITOVS	10	4	6	0	0	150	214	-64	8
8. MANLY-WARRINGAH SEA EAGLES	10	3	6	1	0	162	197	-35	7
9. WESTS TIGERS	10	3	6	1	0	162	203	-41	7
10. CENTRAL COAST ROOSTERS	10	3	6	1	0	151	248	-97	7
11. PARRAMATTA EELS	10	3	7	0	0	150	208	-58	6
12. CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND SHARKS	10	3	7	0	0	152	250	-98	6

U21 JERSEY FLEGG CUP FINALS WEEK 2

MAJOR SEMI FINAL

CANBERRA RAIDERS V CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN BULLDOGS
 Sun September 15 2024, 11:00am at Leichhardt Oval, Lilyfield / Wanggal
 Referee: Mitchell Currie; Sideline Officials: Mitchell Stone, Micheal Ford

CANBERRA	CANTERBURY	
Keahn Skippis 1	1	Taye Cochrane
Jesse Limon 2	2	Ratu Rinakama
Regan Carr 3	3	Danny Gabrael
Siamani Leuluai 4	4	William Afualo
Kane Rushton 5	5	Jonathon Sua
Jalen Afamasaga 6	6	Joseph Teupa
Trae Bennetto 7	7	Cassius Tia
Shaun Packer 9	8	Larry Muagututia
Jordan Uta 10	9	Reuben Moyle
Tane Kiriona 11	10	Damon Marshall
Delahia Wigmore 12	11	Luke Smith
Mitchell Prest 13	12	Logan Spinks
Billy Phillips 13	13	Callum Donaldson
Ethan Alaia 14	14	Patrick Young
Jai Purser 15	15	Jed Reardon
Tahrell Feaveai 16	16	Fahmy Toilalo
Samuel Hyne 17	21	Bud Smith
Xavier Cacciotti 18	20	Ragarive Wavik
Caleb Garvie 19	19	Mitchell Woods
	22	Lajuan Vito
	17	Sosefo Finau
	24	Jack Underhill

MINOR SEMI FINAL

PENRITH PANTHERS V CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND SHARKS
 Sun September 15 2024, 3:00pm at Leichhardt Oval, Lilyfield / Wanggal
 Referee: Cameron Turner; Sideline Officials: Ben Teague, Ethan Klein

PENRITH	CRONULLA	
Jaxen Edgar 1	1	Siteni Taukamo
Jirah Liddiard 2	2	Kristian Dixon
Angelis Hotere-Papalii 3	3	Michael Gabrael
Samuel Lane 4	4	Talanoa Penitani
Nick Murphy 5	5	Te Wehi Waitere
Jett Cleary 6	6	Taj Ford
Blake Moore 7	7	Riley Pollard
Jakeb Vailolo 8	8	Lachlan Crouch
Zach Lamont 9	9	Chaz Jarvis
Siotame Hansen 10	10	Salesi Ataata
Aston Warwick 11	11	Max Mccarthy
Riley Wake 12	12	Dylan Couotts
Billy Phillips 13	13	Samuel McCulloch
Jenson Tuaoi 14	14	Taj Brailey
Hokafonu Lemoto 15	15	Felix Faatili
Judah Galuavao 16	16	Ethan Cocco
Lachlan Blackburn 17	17	Jacob Taulani
Francis Manuleleua 18	18	Joshua Latham
	19	Nikora Williams
	20	Richie Tupuailei

FINALS WEEK 1 RESULTS

QUALIFYING FINAL
CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN BULLDOGS (32) Tries: Tye Cochrane 2, Danny Gabrael, Damon Marshall, Ratu Rinakama; Goals: Cassius Tia 6/6 **DEF PENRITH PANTHERS (6)** Tries: Billy Phillips; Goals: Jett Cleary 1/1 at **Leichhardt Oval, Lilyfield / Wanggal**

ELIMINATION FINAL
CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND SHARKS (22) Tries: Kristian Dixon 2, Chaz Jarvis, Riley Pollard; Goals: Riley Pollard 3/4 **def NEWCASTLE KNIGHTS (6)** Tries: Logan Aoake; Goals: Connor Votano 1/1 at **Leichhardt Oval, Lilyfield / Wanggal**

NEXT WEEK - PRELIMINARY FINAL
 Sat 21 Sep, Campbelltown Stadium
Loser of Canberra v Canterbury v Winner of Penrith v Cronulla

FOLLOWING WEEK - GRAND FINAL
 Sun 29 Sep, Combank Stadium
Winner of Canberra v Canterbury v Winner of Preliminary Final

NSWRL TEAMLISTS and RESULTS

LEAGUES CLUBS AUSTRALIA RON MASSEY CUP GRAND FINAL

WENTWORTHVILLE MAGPIES V GLEBE DIRTY REDS

Sat September 14 2024, 5:00pm at Leichhardt Oval, Lilyfield / Wanngal

Referee: Clayton Wills; Sideline Officials: Mitchell Stone, Liam Nicholls

WENTWORTHVILLE		GLEBE	
Austin Quast	1	1	Jade Anderson
Jordan Hill	2	2	David Nofoaluma
Liam O'Brien	3	3	Iverson Fuatimau
Chris Tupou	4	4	Vito Tevaga
Josh Minihinnick	5	5	Adam Batty
Dylan White	6	6	Joseph Whitikama Temara Taipari
Kruz Niutuli-Schmidt	7	24	Dean Whare
Adam Spicer	8	8	Tayson Fakaosi
Meni Luke	9	9	Craig Garvey
Reece Alderton	10	10	Callum Ellis
Kyle Cassel	11	11	Corey Ross
Felix Niutuli-Schmidt	12	12	Lachlan Poko
Blake Cook	13	23	Lomi Saukuru
Ryan Pritchard	14	13	Adam Fearnley
James Gammidge	16	14	Michael Coleman
Ethyn Martin	18	15	Daniel Arahu
Robbie Graham	19		
George Sukanaivalu	22		
Beni Valu	23		

PRELIMINARY FINAL RESULT

GLEBE DIRTY REDS (24) Tries: Iverson Fuatimau 2, David Nofoaluma, Callum Ellis; Goals: Joseph Whitikama Temara Taipari 4/5
DEF ST. MARY'S SAINTS (10) Tries: Anton Iaria, William Fakatoumahi; Goals: Zac Greene 1/2 at St Marys Leagues Stadium, St Marys / Dharug

SYDNEY SHIELD GRAND FINAL

WENTWORTHVILLE UNITED V PENRITH BROTHERS

Sat September 14 2024, 3:00pm at Leichhardt Oval, Lilyfield / Wanngal

Referee: Martin Jones; Sideline Officials: Luke Heckendorf, John Woods

WENTY UNITED		BROTHERS	
Dermot McKeever King	1	1	Dean Kammel
Josh Delailoa	2	2	Michael Pokia
Emosi Alamoti	3	21	Siaosi Sisifa
Elias Abou-Mrad	4	4	Mitchell Owen
Isikeli Lagekoro	5	5	Wayne Baxter
Jaydn Field	6	6	Donovan Boney
Liam Davidson	7	19	Tyran Pettit-Young
Will Epere	8	8	Eddie Ene
Ayden Carling	9	9	Soakimi Fakaua
Bill Salameh	10	10	Liam Harris
Michael Geddes	11	11	Lachlan Whitehouse
Mose Feilo	12	12	Josh Ruxton
Kye Simsic	13	13	Noah Nailagoliva
Joshua Hey	14	14	Kye Raven
Isaac Rosario	15	15	Benjamin Williamson
David Oxley	16	16	Mitchell Smith
Koevy Lemusu	17	17	Luke Philp
Deon Iro	18	18	Joseph Malula Buhendwa
		20	Trent Borthwick
		22	Liam Aarons
		23	Kytak Chan
		24	Julius Asi Fonua
		26	Byron Donovan
		27	Zachary Wright

PRELIMINARY FINAL RESULT

BROTHERS PENRITH (38) Tries: Dean Kammel, Michael Pokia, Soakimi Fakaua, Donovan Boney, Noah Nailagoliva, Lachlan Whitehouse; Goals: Donovan Boney 7/7
DEF RYDE-EASTWOOD HAWKS (16) Tries: Josh Rizk, Elijah Pettit-Young, Penaia Leveleve; Goals: Jacob Wright 2/3 at St Marys Leagues Stadium, St Marys / Dharug

QRL TEAMLISTS and RESULTS

HOSTPLUS CUP - PRELIMINARY FINALS

1ST PRELIMINARY FINAL: NORTHERN PRIDE V REDCLIFFE DOLPHINS

Sat September 14 2024, 2:10pm at Barlow Park, Cairns / Yidinj :: Referee: Nick Pelgrave; Sideline Officials: Nathan Cornick, Jordan Morel

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts	NORTHERN			REDCLIFFE			Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts	
23	10	7	-	-	28	Tom CHESTER	1	FULLBACK	1	Michael McGRATH	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
28	13	6	-	-	24	Nat McGAVIN	2	WING	2	William DOBSON	-	12	7	-	-	-	28	
27	16	15	-	-	60	Will PARTRIDGE	3	CENTRE	3	John FINEANGANOF0	-	4	1	-	-	-	4	
28	7	5	-	-	20	Braidon BURNS	4	CENTRE	4	Valynce TE WHARE	23	21	12	-	-	-	48	
-	20	10	-	-	40	Jenson TAUMOPEAU	5	WING	5	Steven NUMAMBO	-	16	9	-	-	-	36	
-	18	9	-	-	36	Dantoray LUI	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Thomas CASEY	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	
-	21	5	95	-	210	Thomas DUFFY	7	HALFBACK	7	Joshua JAMES	23	22	3	41	2	96		
31	19	1	-	-	4	Ash LITTLE	8	FRONT ROW	8	Tray LOLESIO	-	9	-	-	-	-		
24	21	2	1	-	10	Kyle SCHNEIDER	9	HOOKER	9	Sheldon PITAMA	27	21	5	-	-	-	20	
28	11	1	-	-	4	Nick LUI-TOSO	10	FRONT ROW	10	Josh KERR	28	2	3	-	-	-	12	
25	20	8	-	-	32	Ewan MOORE	11	SECOND ROW	11	Ob TAWHA	-	18	7	-	-	-	28	
-	19	10	-	-	40	Dane AUKAFOLAU	12	SECOND ROW	12	Jaron PURCELL	-	21	2	-	-	-	8	
25	21	2	-	-	8	Evan CHILD	13	LOCK	13	Max BAILEY	27	19	5	-	-	-	20	
-	13	10	-	-	40	Lachlan WEST	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Brent WOOLF	26	18	5	-	-	-	20	
-	10	2	-	-	8	Josh ALLEN	15		15	Jarrett BOLAND	27	16	2	-	-	-	8	
-	4	1	-	-	4	Mason KIRA	16		16	Jackson FREI	26	22	3	-	-	-	12	
-	18	1	-	-	4	Marly BITUNGANE	17		17	Harrison GRAHAM	23	15	8	-	-	-	32	
-	5	-	-	-	-	Taniela TA'UFO'OU	18	RESERVES	18	James WALSH	-	8	4	-	-	-	16	
26	15	3	1	-	14	Terrence CASEY-DOUGLAS	19											
-	47	-	-	-	-	Eric SMITH		COACHES		Ben TE'O	37	43	-	-	-	-	-	

HEAD TO HEAD

	TOTAL	NORTHERN	REDCLIFFE	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	28	20	8	0
BARLOW PARK	13	11	2	0

2024 TALE OF THE TAPE

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE
2024	Round 5	REDCLIFFE 30-22	Kayo

2ND PRELIMINARY FINAL: NORTHS DEVILS V PNG HUNTERS

Sun September 15 2024, 2:10pm at Bishop Park, Nundah / Turrbal; Referee: Jarrod Cole; Sideline Officials: Nick Morel, Tori Wilkie

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts	NORTHS			PNG			Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
23	21	18	26	-	124	Jordan LIPP	1	FULLBACK	1	Sanny WABO	-	21	13	-	-	-	52
24	15	9	-	-	36	Blake PASKINS	2	WING	2	Brandon NIMA	27	22	13	-	-	-	52
23	12	6	-	-	24	Tesi NIU	3	CENTRE	3	Elijah ROLTINGA	-	14	9	-	-	-	36
31	19	8	-	-	32	Jacob GAGAN	4	CENTRE	4	Robert MATHIAS	-	10	2	-	-	-	8
-	21	20	-	-	80	Manase KAH0	5	WING	5	Solo WANE	25	22	7	-	-	-	28
25	14	-	1	-	2	Jack WRIGHT	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Joshua LAU	-	20	8	-	-	1	33
31	13	4	-	-	16	Jack AHEARN	7	HALFBACK	7	Jamie MAVOKO	28	16	2	63	-	-	134
-	17	6	-	-	24	Cooper JENKINS	8	FRONT ROW	18	Anthony WOROT	28	16	-	-	-	-	-
30	21	2	-	-	8	Kierran MOSELEY	9	HOOKER	9	Judah RIMBU	22	22	15	-	-	-	60
27	14	1	-	-	4	George FAI	20	FRONT ROW	10	Koso BANDI	-	17	-	-	-	-	-
24	21	10	-	-	40	Jeremiah SIMBIKEN	11	SECOND ROW	11	Whallan TAU-LOI	-	20	5	-	-	-	20
21	13	4	-	-	16	Oryn KEELEY	12	SECOND ROW	12	Benjamin KELLY	-	19	5	-	-	-	20
21	19	4	-	-	16	Mason TEAGUE	13	LOCK	13	Ila ALU	29	20	1	-	-	-	4
22	17	1	-	-	4	Tukimihia SIMPKINS	10	INTERCHANGE	14	Finley GLARE	-	19	6	6	-	-	36
26	20	6	-	-	24	Julian CHRISTIAN	14		15	Junior TALIN	-	8	-	-	-	-	-
-	16	2	-	-	8	James FLACK	15		16	Clent LAMA	-	14	6	16	-	-	56
27	18	5	-	-	20	Sam ELLIOTT	16		17	Junior ROP	30	13	2	-	-	-	8
25	15	2	-	-	8	Campbell DUFFY	18	RESERVES	19	Joshua MIRE	-	6	-	-	-	-	-
26	8	3	16	-	44	Andre NIKO	19		20	Gairo VORO	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
-	6	-	-	-	-	Zac BROOKS	21										
-	4	-	-	-	-	Zakaria MCGUIRE	22										
-	40	-	-	-	-	David ELLIOTT		COACHES		Paul AITON	39	22	-	-	-	-	-

HEAD TO HEAD

	TOTAL	NORTHS	PNG	DRAWN
ALL MATCHES	15	9	6	0
BISHOP PARK	9	6	3	0

2024 TALE OF THE TAPE

YEAR	ROUND	RESULT	VENUE
2024	Round 17	PNG 20-18	Bishop Park

SEMI FINAL RESULTS

2ND SEMI FINAL

REDCLIFFE 36 (J. Kerr 2, V. Te Whare 2, M. Bailey, S. Numambo tries; J. James 6 goals) **DEFEATED** CENTRAL 18 (K. Farr, T. Farr, Z. John, E. Lee tries; B. Moore goal) at Kayo Stadium.

Date: Sat, 7th September. Kickoff: 5:10 PM. Halftime: Redcliffe 24-10. Penalties: Central 9-6. Referee: Tyson Brough.

Redcliffe: McGrath, Dobson, FINEANGANOF0, Te Whare, Numambo; Casey, James; Lolesio, Pitama, Kerr; Tavha, Purcell, Bailey (C). Int: Woolf, Boland, Frei, Graham, Walsh.

Central: Moore, Tenza, Marshall, Farr, Lee; Milford, Madden (C); John, Browne, Jackson, Doyle, Donoghoe, Hubner. Int: Moore, McLachlan, Farr, Waiambi, Leonard.

1ST SEMI FINAL

PNG 24 (B. Nima, J. Rimbu, E. Roltinga, W. Tau-Loi, S. Wane tries; J. Mavoko 2 goals) **DEFEATED** SUNSHINE COAST 10 (F. Camilleri, Y. Tonumaipe'a tries; C. Hunter goal) at Sunshine Coast Stadium.

Date: Sun, 8th September. Kickoff: 2:10 PM. Halftime: PNG 10-0. Penalties: PNG 10-8. Referee: Nick Pelgrave.

Sunshine Coast: Miles, Galeano, Tonumaipe'a, McIndoe, Camilleri; Polselli, Hunter; Siolo, Heenan, Faatili, Geraghty, Pitovao, Burns (C). Int: Paterson, Hill, Sutton, Peters, Couper.

PNG: Wabo, Nima, Roltinga, Mathias, Wane; Lau, Mavoko; Richard, Rimbu, Bandi, Tau-Loi, Kelly, Alu (C). Int: Glare, Talin, Lama, Rop, Worot.

NEXT WEEK - GRAND FINAL

Winner Northern v Redcliffe
v Winner Norths v PNG
Kayo Stadium, Sun 22 Sep

SUPER LEAGUE ROUND 25 WRAP *with JUSTIN DAVIES*

LEOPARDS EARN FIFTH WIN AGAINST LOWLY TIGERS AT THE JUNGLE, CASTLEFORD

Leigh Leopards won 34-12 against Castleford Tigers down at Mend-A-Hose Jungle on Friday night.

The Leopards remain in fifth spot on the Super League ladder after their fifth win on the trot after a slow start to the season. Try scoring back rower Kai O'Donnell opened up the scoring with a run that weaved past the Tigers defense. The Leopards kept their foot on the pedal after another slicing run this time from winger Josh Charnley for 12-0. Castleford got on the board before the break. Rowan Milnes punched through a kick and Corey Hall touched down for the hosts. A penny for the Tigers coach after that four-pointer when the ball was jarred free and Tom Amoné picked up the scraps to score.

Leigh continued their strong work after half-time. Lachlan Lam scooped up the ball and slashed through the defense to get over. Tigers were reduced to 12 after a late shot and Leigh were able to pounce, confirming their fifth straight win. John Asiata went over followed by Ricky Leutele while on the advantage which stretched their advantage to 34-6. Tigers did find some late consolation getting into double digits. Rowan Milnes took the short pass and glided over.

CASTLEFORD	12	-	34	LEIGH
Corey HALL		T	2	Tom AMONE
Rowan MILNES				Josh CHARNLEY
				Ricky LEUTELE
				Gareth O'BRIEN
				Kai O'DONNELL
Rowan MILNES	2/2	G	3/4	Matt MOYLAN
			2/2	Gareth O'BRIEN
Jenson WINDLEY		BIN		John ASIATA
TEAMSHEETS				
Tex HOY	34	FB	6	Matt MOYLAN
Jason QAREQARE	23	W	5	Josh CHARNLEY
Luke HOOLEY	1	C	4	Ricky LEUTELE
Corey HALL	35	C	24	Umyla HANLEY
Innes SENIOR	5	W	34	Darnell McINTOSH
Rowan MILNES	16	FE	1	Gareth O'BRIEN
Jenson WINDLEY	38	HB	7	Lachlan LAM
Liam WATTS	8	FR	8	Tom AMONE
Paul McSHANE (c)	9	HK	15	Matt DAVIS
Joe WESTERMAN	13	FR	10	Robbie MULHERN
Alex MELLOR	12	2R	11	Kai O'DONNELL
Elie EL-ZAKHEM	11	2R	16	Frankie HALTON
George HILL	29	L	13	John ASIATA (c)
George LAWLER	10	B	17	Owen TROUT
Muizz MUSTAPHA	20	B	35	Aaron PENE
Cain ROBB	24	B	12	Jack HUGHES
Daniel HINDMARSH	32	B	33	Brad DWYER
Craig LINGARD		HC		Adrian LAM

Date: Fri, 6th September. Kickoff: 8:00 PM. Halftime: Leigh 18-6. Penalties: Leigh 6-3. Referee: Aaron Moore. Crowd: 9,053.

WARRIORS MOVE TOP IN TIGHT CLASH AT THE BRICK COMMUNITY STADIUM

Wigan Warriors were 24-20 winners against Hull KR at The Brick Community Stadium on Friday night.

The Warriors moved back to the top of the Super League ladder headed into the final stretch of the season. It was the Robins who soared from the start of the game. Matt Parcell scooted over from close range for the four-pointer. The visitors decided to run it on last and got their reward. Mikey Lewis stepped past a few defenders for 10-0. Wigan counter attacked through Jake Wardle and Jai Field to earn a sin bin for a professional foul on the Robins. The Warriors made use of the ball and reduced the deficit at half-time. Abbas Miski dived over then Junior Nsemba finished off in the left corner.

Lewis added a pair of penalty goals either side of half-time to stretch Hull KR's advantage back to eight points. It looked like Hull KR were in control after Peta Hiku's interception which set up a try for Joe Burgess for 20-8. Wigan showed their champion spirit and produced a comeback which moved them back into the driver's seat for the League Leader's Shield. Bevan French kick started the mission with some individual brilliance. He kicked for himself then gathered to touch down. The Robins ran foul of the officials again as Jai Whitbread was binned and left them defending the lead with twelve. Wigan completed their comeback with a pair of tries to Liam Marshall. The winger produced two simple finishes to send the home crowd away happy.

WIGAN	24	-	20	HULL KR
Liam MARSHALL	2	T		Joe BURGESS
Bevan FRENCH				Mikey LEWIS
Abbas MISKI				Matt PARCELL
Junior NSEMBA				
Adam KEIGHRAN	2/5	G	4/5	Mikey LEWIS
		BIN		Joe BURGESS
				Jai WHITBREAD

RHINOS THRASH HULL FC AT AMT HEADINGLEY STADIUM

Leeds Rhinos thumped Hull FC 68-6 in their game down at AMT Headingley Stadium on Friday night.

The Rhinos have kept their finals hopes alive with the huge win and move to equal points with St Helens. Their first points came from the boot of Rhyse Martin. Brodie Croft was clipped high which allowed the second rower to kick the first of his thirteen goals. Leeds continued to profit from the kick. There were several kicks before Croft found Harry Newman to go over. Next, the Rhinos trampled the Hull defense. Cameron Smith strolled over then Alfie Edgell finished off a scrum play for his first. Things didn't improve for Hull FC when Jed Cartwright was binned for a late hit which gave the Rhinos more room to maneuver. James Bentley caught the defense napping to bring up a half century of tries then Lachlan Miller linked up with Croft to make it 32-0 at the break.

It was déjà vu as Edgell once again was on the end of a scrum move for his second then a beautiful pass from Croft gave the winger his hat-trick. Hull FC did stem the tide briefly and avoided being niled. A kick was rolled in that Harvey Barron latched onto for the score. The night improved for Edgell who held his width well and dived over for his fourth four-pointer and help the Rhinos past 50. Croft and Bentley both crossed the stripe for their doubles and help Leeds to a massive 68-6 win over Hull FC.

LEEDS	68	-	6	HULL FC
Alfie EDGELL	4	T		Harvey BARRON
James BENTLEY	2			
Brodie CROFT	2			
Harry NEWMAN				
Cameron SMITH				
Rhyse MARTIN	13/13	G	1/1	Jack CHARLES
James DONALDSON	1/1			
TEAMSHEETS				
Lachlan MILLER	1	FB	37	Logan MOY
David FUSITUA	2	W	25	Harvey BARRON
Paul MOMIROVSKI	4	C	3	Carlos TUIMAVAVE
Harry NEWMAN	3	C	44	Tom BRISCOE
Alfie EDGELL	29	W	26	Lewis MARTIN
Brodie CROFT	6	FE	40	Jack CHARLES
Matt FRAWLEY	7	HB	31	Jack WALKER
Mikolaj OLEDZKI	8	FR	8	Herman ESE'ESE
Andy ACKERS	9	HK	15	Jordan LANE (c)
Justin SANGARÉ	17	FR	53	Sam ESEH
James McDONNELL	16	2R	11	Ligi SAO
Rhyse MARTIN	12	2R	48	Jed CARTWRIGHT
Cameron SMITH (c)	13	L	45	Yusuf AYDIN
James BENTLEY	11	B	13	Brad FASH
Sam LISONE	15	B	28	Denise BALMFORTH
James DONALDSON	25	B	16	Jack ASHWORTH
Jarrold O'CONNOR	14	B	27	Zach JEBSON
Brad ARTHUR		HC		Simon GRIX

Date: Fri, 6th September. Kickoff: 8:00 PM. Halftime: Leeds 32-0. Penalties: Leeds 7-2. Referee: Tom Grant. Crowd: 14,105.

WIGAN	24	-	20	HULL KR
TEAMSHEETS				
Jai FIELD	1	FB	36	Jack BROADBENT
Abbas MISKI	2	W	35	Joe BURGESS
Adam KEIGHRAN	3	C	1	Peta HIKU
Jacob WARDLE	4	C	4	Oliver GILDART
Liam MARSHALL	5	W	5	Ryan HALL
Bevan FRENCH	6	FE	27	Tyrone MAY
Harry SMITH	7	HB	7	Mikey LEWIS
Ethan HAVARD	8	FR	8	Sauaso SUE
Kruise LEEMING	17	HK	14	Matt PARCELL
Luke THOMPSON	16	FR	16	Jai WHITBREAD
Junior NSEMBA	21	2R	11	Dean HADLEY
Liam FARRELL (c)	12	2R	12	James BATCHELOR
Kaide ELLIS	13	L	13	Elliot MINCHELLA (c)
Patrick MAGO	15	B	9	Jez LITTEN
Tyler DUPREE	19	B	15	Sam LUCKLEY
Tom FORBER	27	B	17	Matthew STORTON
		B	20	Kelepi TANGINOA
Matt PEET		HC		Willie PETERS

Date: Fri, 6th September. Kickoff: 8:00 PM. Halftime: Hull KR 12-8. Penalties: Hull KR 7-5. Referee: Jack Smith. Crowd: 16,719.

WOLVES TAKE A BITE OUT OF THE SAINTS AT HALLIWELL JONES STADIUM

Warrington Wolves won 16-2 against St Helens in their game at Halliwell Jones Stadium on Saturday afternoon.

The Wolves are locked into third spot on the Super League ladder with the win that moved them to 36 points. For the Saints, they are in danger of dropping through the trap door and missing the finals for the first time in ages. It was a bad start for Warrington who had Lachlan Fitzgibbon sin binned for his tackle on Saints Tee Ritson. St Helens were the first side to get on the board. They were awarded a penalty and Jonathan Bennison slotted it for 2-0. Matty Lees was the next to earn the ire of the referee. He put a late hit on a Wolves kicker and the Saints man was binned. It was some individual work that created the first four-pointer. Matt Ashton scooped up Alex Warmley's error to arrow over. Next, George Williams stepped past the Saints defense then offloaded to Jordan Crowther to dive over.

The only points in the second half were from Warrington penalty goals. Josh Thewlis knocked over the two kicks to make it 16-2.

WARRINGTON	16	-	2	ST HELENS
Matthew ASHTON		T		
Jordan CROWTHER				
Josh THEWLIS	4/4	G	1/1	Jon BENNISON
Lachlan FITZGIBBON		BIN		Matty LEES
Josh THEWLIS				
TEAMSHEETS				
Cai TAYLOR-WRAY	38	FB	33	Harry ROBERTSON
Josh THEWLIS	2	W	25	Theerapol RITSON
Rodrick TAI	14	C	3	Waqa BLAKE
Toby KING	3	C	11	Sione MATA'UTIA
Matthew ASHTON	5	W	5	Jon BENNISON
George WILLIAMS (c)	6	FE	6	Jonny LOMAX (c)
Josh DRINKWATER	7	HB	14	Moses MBEYE
Luke YATES	41	FR	8	Alex WALMSLEY
Sam POWELL	32	HK	24	Jake BURNS
Zane MUSGROVE	16	FR	10	Matty LEES
John BATEMAN	42	2R	19	Matt WHITLEY
Lachlan FITZGIBBON	12	2R	12	Joe BATCHELOR
Ben CURRIE	11	L	13	Morgan KNOWLES
Matthew NICHOLSON	13	B	1	Jack WELSBY
Joe PHILBIN	15	B	17	Agnatius PAASI
Danny WALKER	9	B	20	George DELANEY
Jordan CROWTHER	17	B	30	Jonny VAUGHAN
Sam BURGESS		HC		Paul WELLENS

Date: Sat, 7th September. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Warrington 12-2.
Penalties: 9-all. Referee: Chris Kendall. Crowd: 12,015.

GIANTS EDGE PAST BRONCOS AT JOHN SMITH'S STADIUM

Huddersfield Giants won 22-16 against a dogged London Broncos side at John Smith's Stadium on Sunday afternoon.

The Giants bounced back with a gritty win against a Broncos side that has shown plenty of heart in the last month. London bucked the trend early and had the first points. Marcus Stock glided past a pair of defenders to go over. Tui Lolohea never gave up on the play and levelled the game. He grubbered through then was there to pick up the scraps. Huddersfield took their first lead after a late hit. Sadiq Adebisi was the offender and Oliver Russell made it 8-6 for the Giants. The hosts attacked from their own end to lead by eight at the break. Kevin Naiqama broke free then positioned Lolohea to stride over.

London showed heart after half-time to get back into the game. Hakim Miloudi pounced on a low kick to touch down. It was another kick that gave London back the lead. It was punched through again and Adebisi was on hand to score. Discipline let down the Broncos in the game. They were pinged for a high tackle and dissent which allowed Russell to raise the flags twice for a 18-16 Giants lead. Things fizzled out for the Broncos. Will Lovell was binned for a late hit then a late score to Harry Rushton gave the Giants a six point win.

HUDDERSFIELD	22	-	16	LONDON
Tui LOLOHEA	2	T		Sadiq ADEBIYI
Harry RUSHTON				Hakim MILOUDI
Oliver RUSSELL	5/6	G	2/3	Marcus STOCK
		BIN		Oliver LEYLAND
				Will LOVELL

RED DEVILS DOWN DRAGONS AT SALFORD STADIUM

Salford Red Devils won 27-12 against Catalans Dragons down at Salford Stadium on Saturday afternoon.

The hosts bounced back with an important win that has them in the Super League top four after the weekend. It was a weekend for penalty goals opening the scoring. Salford were pinged for offside and Arthur Mourgue swung over the kick for 2-0 Catalans. Some miscommunication from the French side in defusing a kick allowed Salford to scoop it up and Jayden Nikorima sprinted away to score. The Dragons retook the lead from some inspiring play. Theo Fages broke through and found Mourgue to slam it down for 6-all. The hosts would take the lead into the break. Joe Mellor broke some ankles with his swift feet to touch down right under the dot.

Coming out of the break, Salford felt just fine. Some swift passing ended with Tim Lafai saluting for the four-pointer. Marc Sneyd extended the Red Devils lead past two scores from the tee. It came from a high tackle and made it 20-6. Deon Cross iced the win for Salford Red Devils in the left corner from a superb flick pass to touch down. The Dragons did get their second of the contest through Bayley Sironen who steamed onto a Sam Tomkins pass for 26-12. Sneyd gave the Red Devils some insurance late in the contest. He drilled a field goal for a personal tally of 11 points in the win.

SALFORD	27	-	12	CATALANS
Deon CROSS		T		Arthur MOURGUE
Tim LAFAI				Bayley SIRONEN
Joe MELLOR				
Jayden NIKORIMA				
Marc SNEYD	5/6	G	2/3	Arthur MOURGUE
Marc SNEYD		FG		
TEAMSHEETS				
Ryan BRIERLEY	1	FB	1	Arthur MOURGUE
Ethan RYAN	2	W	2	Tom DAVIES
Nene MACDONALD	3	C	34	Reimis SMITH
Tim LAFAI	4	C	4	Matthieu LAGUERRE
Deon CROSS	5	W	5	Fouad YAHA
Jayden NIKORIMA	33	FE	17	César ROUGÉ
Marc SNEYD	7	HB	7	Théo FAGES
Brad SINGLETON	8	FR	16	Romain NAVARRETE
Joe MELLOR	24	HK	14	Alrix DA COSTA
Gil DUDSON	27	FR	10	Julian BOUSQUET
Sam STONE	11	2R	8	Mike McMEEKEN
Kallum WATKINS (c)	12	2R	15	Bayley SIRONEN
Oliver PARTINGTON	13	L	13	Benjamin GARCIA (c)
Shane WRIGHT	15	B	11	Tariq SIMS
Joe SHORROCKS	16	B	23	Jordan DEZARIA
Chris HANKINSON	23	B	29	Sam TOMKINS
Joe BULLOCK	32	B	33	Jarrod WALLACE
Paul ROWLEY		HC		Steve McNAMARA

Date: Sat, 7th September. Kickoff: 5:30 PM. Halftime: Salford 12-6.
Penalties: Salford 6-4. Referee: Liam Moore. Crowd: 4,910.

HUDDERSFIELD	22	-	16	LONDON
TEAMSHEETS				
Tui LOLOHEA	6	FB	23	Josh ROURKE
Aidan MCGOWAN	30	W	2	Lee KERSHAW
Esan MARSTERS	3	C	12	Ethan NATOLI
Kevin NAIQAMA	4	C	3	Jarred BASSETT
Jake BIBBY	5	W	4	Hakim MILOUDI
Adam CLUNE	7	FE	20	Oliver LEYLAND
Oliver RUSSELL	23	HB	6	Jack CAMPAGNOLO
Chris HILL	8	FR	8	Robert BUTLER
Thomas DEAKIN	19	HK	9	Sam DAVIS
Joe GREENWOOD	10	FR	19	Rhys KENNEDY
Harvey LIVETT	22	2R	17	Sadiq ADEBIYI
Harry RUSHTON	16	2R	11	Will LOVELL (c)
Leroy CUDJOE (c)	21	L	15	Marcus STOCK
Kieran RUSH	27	B	18	Emmanuel WAINE
Sebastine IKAHIHIFO	18	B	10	Lewis BIENEK
Matty ENGLISH	15	B	29	Jacob JONES
Oliver WILSON	16	B		
Luke ROBINSON		HC		Mike ECCLES

Date: Sun, 8th September. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Huddersfield 14-6.
Penalties: Huddersfield 7-5. Referee: James Vella. Crowd: 3,439.

MEN'S BETFRED SUPER LEAGUE

ROUND 25 TABLE	P	W	L	D	B	F	A	Diff	Pts
1. HULL KR	24	19	5	0	0	649	286	363	38
2. WIGAN WARRIORS	24	19	5	0	0	597	318	279	38
3. WARRINGTON WOLVES	24	17	7	0	0	604	317	287	34
4. ST HELENS	24	14	10	0	0	542	350	192	28
5. SALFORD RED DEVILS	24	14	10	0	0	465	467	-2	28
6. LEIGH LEOPARDS	24	13	10	1	0	514	350	164	27
7. CATALANS DRAGONS	24	13	11	0	0	426	388	38	26
8. LEEDS RHINOS	24	12	12	0	0	445	419	26	24
9. HUDDERSFIELD GIANTS	24	8	16	0	0	412	568	-156	16
10. CASTLEFORD TIGERS	24	7	16	1	0	399	627	-228	15
11. LONDON BRONCOS	24	4	20	0	0	294	827	-533	8
12. HULL FC	24	3	21	0	0	314	744	-430	6

MOST TRIES

Rank	Player	Team	P	T
1	Liam Marshall	Wigan	24	24
=2	Matt Dufty	Warrington	21	17
=2	Matthew Ashton	Warrington	21	17
=2	Mikey Lewis	Hull KR	24	17
5	Josh Charnley	Leigh	22	16
=6	Ash Handley	Leeds	18	14
=6	Innes Senior	Castleford	25	14
=6	Peta Hiku	Hull KR	25	14

MOST GOALS

Rank	Player	Team	P	G	%
1	Marc Sneyd	Salford	25	88 / 99	89%
2	Rhyse Martin	Leeds	25	85 / 101	84%
3	Arthur Mourgue	Catalans	24	66 / 82	80%
4	Mikey Lewis	Hull KR	24	63 / 95	66%
=5	Adam Keighran	Wigan	22	55 / 65	85%
=5	Mark Percival	St Helens	18	55 / 72	76%

MOST POINTS

Rank	Player	Team	P	T	G	FG	Pts
1	Rhyse Martin	Leeds	25	9	85	-	206
2	Mikey Lewis	Hull KR	24	17	63	-	194
3	Marc Sneyd	Salford	25	3	88	4	192
4	Arthur Mourgue	Catalans	24	6	66	1	157
=5	Josh Thewlis	Warrington	18	10	49	-	138
=5	Adam Keighran	Wigan	22	7	55	-	138

ROUND 26 FIXTURES

ALL TIMES BST

TIME	MATCH	VENUE	REFEREE
Fri 8:00pm	LEIGH v HULL KR	Leigh Sports Village Stadium	Chris KENDALL
	ST HELENS v CASTLEFORD	Totally Wicked Stadium	Jack SMITH
	WIGAN v LEEDS	The Brick Community Stadium	Liam MOORE
Sat 5:05pm	HULL FC v SALFORD	MKM Stadium	Aaron MOORE
Sat 6:00pm	HUDDERSFIELD v WARRINGTON	John Smith's Stadium	Tom GRANT
Sat 9:00pm	CATALANS v LONDON	Stade Gilbert Brutus	Marcus GRIFFITHS

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WOMEN'S BETFRED SUPER LEAGUE

ROUND 13 RESULTS

ST HELENS 98 (L. Burke 4, E. Stott 3, P. Travis 3, B. Salihi 2, J. Cunningham, F. Gaskin, T. Jones, D. McGifford, G. Sutherland, M. Williams tries; F. Gaskin 13 goals) **DEFEATED WARRINGTON 0** at Victoria Park (Warrington).

Date: Sat, 7th September. Kickoff: 12:00 PM. Halftime: St Helens 42-0. Warrington: Nixon, Johnston, Fellingham, Barnett, Coates; Bell, Magraw; Turner, Jelves, Burnett, Williams, Baggaley, Simpson. Int: Hill, Condliffe, Bogg, Webb. St Helens: Salihi, McGifford, Stott, Woosley, Burke; Harris, Gaskin; Whitfield, Jones, Crowl, Travis, Rudge, Cunningham. Int: Stott, Mottershead, Williams, Sutherland.

LEEDS 52 (A. Hardcastle 2, L. Whitehead 2, K. Bennett, H. Butcher, I. Northrop, G. Short, E. Stead, R. Walker tries; K. Bennett 3, R. Walker 3 goals) **DEFEATED FEATHERSTONE 12** (F. Copley, O. Grace tries; T. Bryer 2 goals) at AMT Headingley Stadium. Date: Sun, 8th September. Kickoff: 12:00 PM. Halftime: Leeds 18-12. Leeds: Stead, Whitehead, Robinson, Hardcastle, Cousins; Butcher, Walker; Hoyle, Bruce, Northrop, Short, Greening, Sykes. Int: Casey, Bennett, Donnelly, Glynn. Featherstone: Waters, Lamb, Copley, Prescott, Craven; Churm, Bryer; Kennedy, Grace, Watt, Billington, Evans, Blackburn. Int: Johnson, Courtney, Holmes, Lambert.

YORK 16 (I. Brennan, L. Parker tries; I. Brennan 4 goals) **DEFEATED WIGAN 12** (G. Banks, E. Derbyshire tries; I. Rowe 2 goals) at Robin Park Arena. Date: Sun, 8th September. Kickoff: 12:00 PM. Halftime: York 12-6. Penalties: Wigan 7-5. Referee: Milo McKelvey. Wigan: Banks, Davies, Wilson, Jones, Derbyshire; Rowe, Forbister; Speakman, Marsh, Coleman, Hunter, Molyneux, Thompson. Int: Gregory-Haselden, Hilton, Jones, Hunter. York: Hetherington, Partington, Parker, Izumi, Kershaw; Rihari, Renouf; Wood, Brennan, Bell, Owen, Andrade, Pakulis. Int: Marshall, Gentles, Sharp.

BARROW 24 (E. Hutchinson 3, S. Norman, V. Temple tries; N. Stewart 2 goals) **DEFEATED HUDDERSFIELD 4** (M. Icton try) at Northern Competitions Stadium. Date: Sun, 8th September. Kickoff: 2:00 PM. Halftime: Barrow 6-4. Barrow: Temple, Hutchinson, Hutchinson, Larkin, Norman; Fisher, Litherland; Dobson, Cottier; Morley, Clough, Stirzaker, Smith. Int: Stewart, Friend, Mellen, Lindsay. Huddersfield: Brown, Icton, Da Silva, Thompson, Goddard; Townend, Hulme; Wilkinson, Preston, Hobbs, Hampshire, Haley, Oates. Int: Naidole, Harrap, Grady, Tyson.

ROUND 13 TABLE	P	W	L	D	B	F	A	Diff	Pts
1. ST HELENS	13	12	1	0	0	552	88	464	24
2. LEEDS RHINOS	13	10	3	0	0	504	118	386	20
3. YORK VALKYRIE	13	10	3	0	0	431	112	319	20
4. WIGAN WARRIORS	13	9	4	0	0	520	120	400	18
5. BARROW RAIDERS	13	5	8	0	0	172	364	-192	10
6. HUDDERSFIELD GIANTS	13	3	10	0	0	168	556	-388	6
7. WARRINGTON WOLVES	13	3	10	0	0	96	633	-537	6
8. FEATHERSTONE ROVERS	13	0	13	0	0	122	574	-452	0

MOST TRIES

Rank	Player	Team	P	T
1	Leah Burke	St Helens	9	22
2	Anna Davies	Wigan	13	21
3	Eboni Partington	York	13	17
	Emma Kershaw	York	13	17

MOST GOALS

Rank	Player	Team	P	G	%
1	Faye Gaskin	St Helens	12	59 / 91	65%
2	Tara-Jane Stanley	York	10	42 / 63	67%
3	Isabel Rowe	Wigan	13	39 / 55	71%

MOST POINTS

Rank	Player	Team	P	T	G	FG	Pts
1	Faye Gaskin	St Helens	12	6	59	-	142
2	Isabel Rowe	Wigan	13	8	39	-	110
3	Tara-Jane Stanley	York	10	4	42	1	101

ROUND 14 FIXTURES

ALL TIMES BST

TIME	MATCH	VENUE
Fri 5:15pm	ST HELENS v BARROW	Totally Wicked Stadium
Sun 12:00pm	FEATHERSTONE v YORK	Millennium Stadium
	WIGAN v LEEDS	Robin Park Arena
Sun 2:00pm	HUDDERSFIELD v WARRINGTON	Laund Hill Sports Complex

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MEN'S BETFRED CHAMPIONSHIP

ROUND 23 RESULTS

TOULOUSE 36 (P. Ulberg 2, O. Ashall-Bott, B. Laguerre, P. Marcon, R. Rivett tries; J. Shorrocks 6 goals) **DEFEATED BARROW 24** (B. Carter, J. Pye, R. Shaw, B. Walker tries; R. Shaw 4 goals) at **Northern Competitions Stadium**. Date: Sat, 7th September. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Toulouse 22-0. Penalties: Barrow 7-4. Referee: Matthew Lynn. **Barrow**: Cresswell, Bulman, Broadbent, Carter, Shaw; Walker, Johnston; Gillam, Smith, Bedward, Emslie, Stack, Worthington. Int: Wood, Wilkinson, Walker, Pye. **Toulouse**: Ashall-Bott, Ulberg, Rennie, Marcon, Laguerre; Rivett, Shorrocks; Belmas, Gahan, Hansen, Stefani, Lima, Marion. Int: Pélissier, Richards, Akauola, Biscarro.

DONCASTER 38 (B. Faraimo 4, P. Pauli 2, S. Smeaton tries; C. Robinson 5 goals) **DEFEATED BATLEY 0** at **Fox's Biscuits Stadium**. Date: Sun, 8th September. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Doncaster 16-0. Penalties: Batley 7-4. Referee: Kevin Moore. **Batley**: Butterworth, Morton, Senior, Buchanan, Burton; White, Woods; Gledhill, Moore, Cooper, Manning, Walshaw, Brown. Int: Burton, Flynn, Ward, Kear. **Doncaster**: Hall, Briscoe, Lyne, Hey, Faraimo; Boas, Robinson; Knowles-Tagg, Burns, Matagi, Sutcliffe, Pauli, McConnell. Int: Smeaton, Lovodua, Ferres, Baxter.

HALIFAX 34 (B. Tibbs 2, G. Widdop 2, E. Barber, J. Woodburn-Hall tries; L. Jouffret 5 goals) **DEFEATED DEWSBURY 6** (C. Turner try; C. Turner goal) at **The Shay Stadium**. Date: Sun, 8th September. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Halifax 10-0. Penalties: Halifax 5-4. Referee: Ben Thaler. Crowd: 1,647. **Halifax**: Woodburn-Hall, Saltonstall, Widdop, Tibbs, Graham; Jouffret, Keyes; Larroyer, O'Brien, Foster, Barber, Gee, Hird. Int: Johnson, Boyer, Tangata, Fairbank. **Dewsbury**: Turner, Carr, Walker, Graham, Tomlinson; Sykes, Hookem; Walker, Davies, Morris, Billington, Garside, Silk. Int: Butterworth, Field, Dixon, Briggs.

BRADFORD 30 (J. Taufua 2, R. Franco, S. Hallas, J. Okunbor tries; J. Lilley 5 goals) **DEFEATED SHEFFIELD 12** (A. Foster, M. Marsh tries; C. Aston 2 goals) at **Sheffield Olympic Legacy Stadium**. Date: Sun, 8th September. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Bradford 12-6. Penalties: Bradford 13-6. Referee: Cameron Worsley. Crowd: 1,948. **Sheffield**: Jones-Bishop, Millar, Welham, Glover, Dawson-Jones; Aston, Marsh; Batye, Halafih, Dickinson, Foster, Sene-Lefao, Gwaze. Int: Broadbent, Clark, Wood, Roberts. **Bradford**: Holmes, Okunbor, Myers, Franco, Taufua; Gaskell, Lilley; Lawrence, Ott, Doro, Fulton, Appo, Hallas. Int: Scurr, Davies, Pele, Smith.

SWINTON 28 (R. Lepori 3, J. Hatton, R. Williams tries; D. Abram 4 goals) **DEFEATED FEATHERSTONE 8** (G. Eden, G. Minikin tries) at **Heywood Road**. Date: Sun, 8th September. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Swinton 12-4. Penalties: Swinton 6-5. Referee: Scott Mikalauskas. Crowd: 780. **Swinton**: Abram, Lepori, Spedding, Hatton, Williams; Stevens, Gibson; Bennion, Eaves, Wood, Rodden, Cox, Hall. Int: Cooper, Houghton, Case, Walker. **Featherstone**: Eden, Barley, Minikin, Hardcastle, Jeffrey; Addy, Patton; Lockwood, Jones, Nakubwai, Day, Bussey, Beckett. Int: Springer, Bowes, Albert, Arnold.

WAKEFIELD 60 (M. Jowitt 2, J. McGillvary 2, K. Rodwell 2, N. Booth, M. Cozza, T. Doyle, L. Hood tries; M. Jowitt 10 goals) **DEFEATED WHITEHAVEN 6** (E. Gebbie try; L. Hanneghan goal) at **DIY Kitchens Stadium**. Date: Sun, 8th September. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: Wakefield Trinity 30-0. Penalties: Whitehaven 5-2. Referee: Ryan Cox. Crowd: 5,096. **Wakefield Trinity**: Booth, McGillvary, Thornley, Pratt, Olpherts; Kay, Jowitt; Rodwell, Doyle, Bowden, Vagana, Griffin, Cozza. Int: Hood, Atoni, Boothroyd, Croft. **Whitehaven**: Romeo, Shaw, Evans, Walsh, Gebbie; Carter, Hanneghan; Castle, Ackroyd, Ainley, Corkill, Teare, McCarron. Int: Newton, Worthington.

YORK 12 (J. Law try; N. Williams 4 goals) **DEFEATED WIDNES 6** (M. Butt try; T. Gilmore goal) at **DCBL Stadium**. Date: Sun, 8th September. Kickoff: 3:00 PM. Halftime: York 10-0. Penalties: York 9-5. Referee: Liam Rush. Crowd: 2,663. **Widnes**: Owens, Butt, Bardsley-Rowe, Fleming, Ince; Lyons, Gilmore; Bent, Johnstone, Murray, Lloyd, Grady, Lannon. Int: Fozard, Brooks, Kirk, Roberts. **York**: Brown, Towse, Field, Law, Ward; Williams, Hingano; Antrobus, Jubb, Martin, Bailey, Gannon, Cunningham. Int: Teanby, Santi, Michael, Daley.

ROUND 24 FIXTURES

ALL TIMES BST

TIME	MATCH	VENUE	REFEREE
Sat 6:00pm	TOULOUSE v HALIFAX	Stade Ernest Wallon	Aaryn BELAFONTE
Sun 3:00pm	BARROW v WHITEHAVEN	Northern Competitions Stadium	Scott MIKALUSKAS
	BRADFORD v BATLEY	Bartercard Odsal Stadium	Ryan COX
	DEWSBURY v SWINTON	FLAIR Stadium	Ben THALER
	DONCASTER v WIDNES	Eco-Power Stadium	Mike SMAILL
	FEATHERSTONE v SHEFFIELD	Millennium stadium	Cameron WORSLEY
	WAKEFIELD v YORK	DIY Kitchens Stadium	James VELLA

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ROUND 23 TABLE	P	W	L	D	B	F	A	Diff	Pts
1. WAKEFIELD TRINITY	23	22	1	0	0	872	252	620	44
2. TOULOUSE OLYMPIQUE	23	15	7	1	0	662	338	324	31
3. BRADFORD BULLS	23	14	7	2	0	606	359	247	30
4. WIDNES VIKINGS	23	13	9	1	0	499	403	96	27
5. YORK KNIGHTS	23	13	10	0	0	609	423	186	26
6. FEATHERSTONE ROVERS	23	13	10	0	0	560	452	108	26
7. SHEFFIELD EAGLES	23	13	10	0	0	574	466	108	26
8. DONCASTER RLFC	23	10	12	1	0	440	513	-73	21
9. HALIFAX PANTHERS	23	10	13	0	0	457	579	-122	20
10. BATLEY BULLDOGS	23	10	13	0	0	364	497	-133	20
11. BARROW RAIDERS	23	8	14	1	0	400	672	-272	17
12. SWINTON LIONS	23	8	15	0	0	418	590	-172	16
13. WHITEHAVEN RLFC	23	7	14	2	0	400	772	-372	16
14. DEWSBURY RAMS	23	1	22	0	0	288	833	-545	2

MOST TRIES

Rank	Player	Team	P	T
1	Derrell Olpherts	Wakefield	22	21
2	Lachlan Walmsley	Wakefield	21	19
3	Paul Ulberg	Toulouse	22	17
4	Joe Brown	York	23	16
=5	Connor Wynne	Featherstone	18	15
=5	Matty Dawson-Jones	Sheffield	21	15
=5	Max Jowitt	Wakefield	22	15
=5	Joe Burton	Batley	23	15

MOST GOALS

Rank	Player	Team	P	G	%
1	Max Jowitt	Wakefield	22	121 / 150	81%
2	Jordan Lilley	Bradford	23	91 / 120	76%
3	Cory Aston	Sheffield	22	80 / 100	80%
4	Tom Gilmore	Widnes	23	73 / 98	74%
5	Jake Shorrocks	Toulouse	18	70 / 84	83%
6	Louis Jouffret	Halifax	23	60 / 76	79%
7	Connor Robinson	Doncaster	22	55 / 78	71%
8	Josh Woods	Batley	20	49 / 63	78%
9	Ryan Shaw	Barrow	19	44 / 60	73%

MOST POINTS

Rank	Player	Team	P	T	G	FG	Pts
1	Max Jowitt	Wakefield	22	15	121	-	302
2	Jordan Lilley	Bradford	23	4	91	4	202
3	Cory Aston	Sheffield	22	4	80	-	176
4	Tom Gilmore	Widnes	23	4	73	5	167
=5	Jake Shorrocks	Toulouse	18	3	70	-	152
=5	Louis Jouffret	Halifax	23	8	60	-	152
7	Connor Robinson	Doncaster	22	4	55	1	127
8	Ryan Shaw	Barrow	19	6	44	-	112
9	Josh Woods	Batley	20	1	49	3	105

ROUND 15		BEANIES FOR BRAIN CANCER ROUND				
JUN 13TH	Thu 7:50pm	CRONULLA	DOLPHINS	28 - 30	Pointsbet Stadium	8,035
JUN 14TH	Fri 6:00pm	CANBERRA	NORTH QLD	16 - 34	GIO Stadium Canb.	9,671
JUN 14TH	Fri 8:00pm	SOUTHS	BRISBANE	22 - 12	Accor Stadium	12,207
JUN 15TH	Sat 3:00pm	WESTS TIGERS	GOLD COAST	18 - 10	Leichhardt Oval	8,147
JUN 15TH	Sat 7:30pm	WARRIORS	MELBOURNE	24 - 38	Go Media Stadium	24,495
JUN 15TH	Sat 7:35pm	PARRAMATTA	SYDNEY	18 - 28	CommBank	20,072
JUN 16TH	Sun 2:00pm	MANLY	ST GEO ILLA	30 - 14	4 Pines Park	17,187
JUN 16TH	Sun 4:05pm	NEWCASTLE	PENRITH	18 - 26	McDonald Jones	27,966

BYE: CANTERBURY

ROUND 16						
JUN 21ST	Fri 8:00pm	DOLPHINS	MELBOURNE	24 - 30	Suncorp Stadium	25,167
JUN 22ND	Sat 3:00pm	GOLD COAST	WARRIORS	66 - 6	Cbus Super	22,702
JUN 22ND	Sat 5:30pm	SYDNEY	CANTERBURY	26 - 8	Industree	16,868
JUN 22ND	Sat 7:35pm	SOUTHS	MANLY	14 - 0	Accor Stadium	10,576
JUN 23RD	Sun 4:05pm	WESTS TIGERS	CANBERRA	48 - 24	Campbelltown	10,106

BYE: NORTH QLD, PARRAMATTA, CRONULLA, BRISBANE, ST GEO ILLA, PENRITH, NEWCASTLE

STATE OF ORIGIN II - MELBOURNE - WEDNESDAY 26 JUNE: NSW won 38-18 at the MCG (90,084)

WOMEN'S STATE OF ORIGIN III - TOWNSVILLE - THURSDAY 27 JUNE: QLD won 22-6 at QLD Country Bank (22,819)

ROUND 17						
JUN 28TH	Fri 8:00pm	CANTERBURY	CRONULLA	15 - 14	Accor Stadium	15,765
JUN 29TH	Sat 5:00pm	WARRIORS	BRISBANE	32 - 16	Go Media Stadium	22,711
JUN 29TH	Sat 5:30pm	NEWCASTLE	PARRAMATTA	34 - 26	McDonald Jones	27,424
JUN 29TH	Sat 7:35pm	MELBOURNE	CANBERRA	16 - 6	AAMI Park	14,127
JUN 30TH	Sun 2:00pm	ST GEO ILLA	DOLPHINS	26 - 6	Netstrata Jubilee	8,052
JUN 30TH	Sun 4:05pm	PENRITH	NORTH QLD	6 - 16	Bluebet Stadium	15,777
JUN 30TH	Sun 6:15pm	SYDNEY	WESTS TIGERS	40 - 6	Allianz Stadium	14,711

BYE: GOLD COAST, MANLY, SOUTHS

ROUND 18						
JUL 4TH	Thu 7:50pm	PARRAMATTA	SOUTHS	16 - 32	CommBank	13,941
JUL 5TH	Fri 6:00pm	CRONULLA	GOLD COAST	16 - 20	C.ex Coffs	8,673
JUL 5TH	Fri 8:00pm	BRISBANE	PENRITH	6 - 14	Suncorp Stadium	42,433
JUL 6TH	Sat 3:00pm	CANTERBURY	WARRIORS	13 - 12	Accor Stadium	27,223
JUL 6TH	Sat 5:30pm	WESTS TIGERS	MELBOURNE	28 - 40	Leichhardt Oval	10,311
JUL 6TH	Sat 7:35pm	NORTH QLD	MANLY	20 - 21	QLD Country Bank	18,787
JUL 7TH	Sun 2:00pm	SYDNEY	ST GEO ILLA	42 - 12	Allianz Stadium	23,388
JUL 7TH	Sun 4:05pm	CANBERRA	NEWCASTLE	12 - 16	GIO Stadium Canb.	12,553

BYE: DOLPHINS

ROUND 19						
JUL 11TH	Thu 7:50pm	DOLPHINS	SOUTHS	36 - 28	Kayo Stadium	10,023
JUL 12TH	Fri 8:00pm	CRONULLA	WESTS TIGERS	58 - 6	Pointsbet Stadium	10,912
JUL 13TH	Sat 5:30pm	GOLD COAST	PARRAMATTA	24 - 16	Cbus Super	16,670
JUL 13TH	Sat 7:35pm	BRISBANE	ST GEO ILLA	26 - 30	Suncorp Stadium	34,224
JUL 14TH	Sun 4:05pm	MANLY	NEWCASTLE	44 - 6	4 Pines Park	17,298

BYE: NORTH QLD, CANTERBURY, WARRIORS, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, PENRITH, CANBERRA

STATE OF ORIGIN III - BRISBANE - WEDNESDAY 17 JULY: NSW won 14-4 AT SUNCORP (52,457)

ROUND 20						
JUL 19TH	Fri 8:00pm	CANBERRA	WARRIORS	20 - 18	GIO Stadium Canb.	8,509
JUL 20TH	Sat 3:00pm	SOUTHS	WESTS TIGERS	42 - 28	Industree	16,284
JUL 20TH	Sat 5:30pm	NEWCASTLE	BRISBANE	14 - 30	McDonald Jones	26,952
JUL 20TH	Sat 7:35pm	MELBOURNE	SYDNEY	24 - 8	AAMI Park	17,055
JUL 21ST	Sun 2:00pm	PENRITH	DOLPHINS	28 - 26	Bluebet Stadium	20,955
JUL 21ST	Sun 4:05pm	MANLY	GOLD COAST	38 - 8	4 Pines Park	16,050
JUL 21ST	Sun 6:15pm	NORTH QLD	CANTERBURY	20 - 18	QLD Country Bank	16,376

BYE: PARRAMATTA, CRONULLA, ST GEO ILLA

ROUND 21		NRLW KICKOFF WEKEEND				
JUL 26TH	Fri 8:00pm	WARRIORS	WESTS TIGERS	28 - 16	Go Media Stadium	23,976
JUL 26TH	Fri 8:00pm	PARRAMATTA	MELBOURNE	14 - 32	CommBank	11,082
JUL 27TH	Sat 3:00pm	BRISBANE	CANTERBURY	16 - 41	Suncorp Stadium	42,213
JUL 27TH	Sat 5:30pm	NORTH QLD	CRONULLA	30 - 22	QLD Country Bank	17,907
JUL 27TH	Sat 7:35pm	SYDNEY	MANLY	34 - 30	Allianz Stadium	25,155
JUL 28TH	Sun 2:00pm	ST GEO ILLA	PENRITH	10 - 46	WIN Stadium	18,988
JUL 28TH	Sun 4:05pm	DOLPHINS	GOLD COAST	14 - 21	Suncorp Stadium	19,533
JUL 28TH	Sun 6:15pm	CANBERRA	SOUTHS	32 - 12	GIO Stadium Canb.	12,114

BYE: NEWCASTLE

ROUND 22						
AUG 1ST	Thu 7:50pm	WESTS TIGERS	NORTH QLD	30 - 48	Leichhardt Oval	7,231
AUG 2ND	Fri 8:00pm	WARRIORS	PARRAMATTA	20 - 30	Go Media Stadium	23,812
AUG 2ND	Fri 6:00pm	DOLPHINS	SYDNEY	34 - 40	HBF	20,027
AUG 3RD	Sat 3:00pm	GOLD COAST	BRISBANE	46 - 18	Cbus Super	25,278
AUG 3RD	Sat 5:30pm	MELBOURNE	ST GEO ILLA	16 - 18	AAMI Park	18,103
AUG 3RD	Sat 7:35pm	CRONULLA	SOUTHS	20 - 6	Pointsbet Stadium	12,763
AUG 4TH	Sun 2:00pm	PENRITH	NEWCASTLE	22 - 14	Bluebet Stadium	20,261
AUG 4TH	Sun 4:05pm	CANTERBURY	CANBERRA	22 - 18	Belmore	18,110

BYE: MANLY

ROUND 23						
AUG 8TH	Thu 7:50pm	SOUTHS	MELBOURNE	16 - 28	Accor Stadium	8,973
AUG 9TH	Fri 6:00pm	GOLD COAST	CRONULLA	0 - 44	Cbus Super	13,287
AUG 9TH	Fri 8:00pm	PARRAMATTA	PENRITH	34 - 36	CommBank	18,852
AUG 10TH	Sat 3:00pm	CANBERRA	MANLY	24 - 46	GIO Stadium Canb.	16,690
AUG 10TH	Sat 5:30pm	NORTH QLD	BRISBANE	18 - 42	QLD Country Bank	24,230
AUG 10TH	Sat 7:35pm	ST GEO ILLA	CANTERBURY	10 - 28	Netstrata Jubilee	18,416
AUG 11TH	Sun 2:00pm	DOLPHINS	WARRIORS	34 - 32	Suncorp Stadium	28,056
AUG 11TH	Sun 4:05pm	NEWCASTLE	WESTS TIGERS	34 - 18	McDonald Jones	22,183

BYE: SYDNEY

ROUND 24						
AUG 15TH	Thu 7:50pm	PENRITH	MELBOURNE	22 - 24	Bluebet Stadium	20,516
AUG 16TH	Fri 6:00pm	MANLY	WARRIORS	24 - 10	4 Pines Park	17,333
AUG 16TH	Fri 8:00pm	SYDNEY	PARRAMATTA	38 - 14	Allianz Stadium	20,724
AUG 17TH	Sat 3:00pm	CANTERBURY	DOLPHINS	30 - 10	Salter	6,146
AUG 17TH	Sat 5:30pm	NORTH QLD	CANBERRA	42 - 4	QLD Country Bank	17,920
AUG 17TH	Sat 7:35pm	WESTS TIGERS	SOUTHS	18 - 16	Campbelltown	11,420
AUG 18TH	Sun 2:00pm	ST GEO ILLA	GOLD COAST	32 - 16	WIN Stadium	9,240
AUG 18TH	Sun 4:05pm	CRONULLA	NEWCASTLE	19 - 18	Pointsbet Stadium	11,503

BYE: BRISBANE

ROUND 25						
AUG 22ND	Thu 7:50pm	WESTS TIGERS	MANLY	34 - 26	Leichhardt Oval	11,520
AUG 23RD	Fri 8:00pm	WARRIORS	CANTERBURY	18 - 34	Shaun Johnson Stad.	24,295
AUG 23RD	Fri 8:00pm	BRISBANE	PARRAMATTA	30 - 24	Suncorp Stadium	36,289
AUG 24TH	Sat 3:00pm	CANBERRA	PENRITH	22 - 18	GIO Stadium Canb.	17,523
AUG 24TH	Sat 5:30pm	MELBOURNE	DOLPHINS	48 - 6	AAMI Park	26,106
AUG 24TH	Sat 7:35pm	SOUTHS	NEWCASTLE	16 - 36	Accor Stadium	9,659
AUG 25TH	Sun 2:00pm	GOLD COAST	SYDNEY	22 - 48	Cbus Super	19,286
AUG 25TH	Sun 4:05pm	ST GEO ILLA	CRONULLA	10 - 38	WIN Stadium	17,754

BYE: NORTH QLD

ROUND 26						
AUG 29TH	Thu 7:50pm	NORTH QLD	MELBOURNE	38 - 30	QLD Country Bank	20,787
AUG 30TH	Fri 6:00pm	CANTERBURY	MANLY	22 - 34	Accor Stadium	35,502
AUG 30TH	Fri 8:00pm	PENRITH	SOUTHS	34 - 12	Bluebet Stadium	20,176
AUG 31ST	Sat 3:00pm	PARRAMATTA	ST GEO ILLA	44 - 40	CommBank	21,623
AUG 31ST	Sat 5:30pm	DOLPHINS	BRISBANE	40 - 6	Suncorp Stadium	50,049
AUG 31ST	Sat 7:35pm	CRONULLA	WARRIORS	28 - 30	Pointsbet Stadium	12,637
SEP 1ST	Sun 2:00pm	NEWCASTLE	GOLD COAST	36 - 14	McDonald Jones	24,712
SEP 1ST	Sun 4:05pm	SYDNEY	CANBERRA	12 - 14	Allianz Stadium	27,239

BYE: WESTS TIGERS

ROUND 27						
SEP 5TH	Thu 7:50pm	BRISBANE	MELBOURNE	12 - 50	Suncorp Stadium	35,086
SEP 6TH	Fri 6:00pm	WESTS TIGERS	PARRAMATTA	26 - 60	Campbelltown	17,311
SEP 6TH	Fri 8:00pm	SOUTHS	SYDNEY	28 - 36	Accor Stadium	19,576
SEP 7TH	Sat 3:00pm	ST GEO ILLA	CANBERRA	24 - 26	Netstrata Jubilee	11,189
SEP 7TH	Sat 5:30pm	CANTERBURY	NORTH QLD	6 - 44	Accor Stadium	32,437
SEP 7TH	Sat 7:35pm	PENRITH	GOLD COAST	18 - 12	Penrith Park	21,525
SEP 8TH	Sun 2:00pm	MANLY	CRONULLA	20 - 40	4 Pines Park	17,384
SEP 8TH	Sun 4:05pm	NEWCASTLE	DOLPHINS	14 - 6	McDonald Jones	29,433

BYE: WARRIORS

FINALS WEEK 1 - SEP 13-15						
QF 2	Fri 7:50pm	PENRITH (2)	SYDNEY (3)		Bluebet Stadium	
QF 1	Sat 4:05pm	MELBOURNE (1)	CRONULLA (4)		AAMI Park	
EF 1	Sat 7:50pm	NORTH QLD (5)	NEWCASTLE (8)		QLD Country Bank	
EF 2	Sun 4:05pm	CANTERBURY (6)	MANLY (7)		Accor Stadium	

FINALS WEEK 2 - SEP 20-21						
SF 1		L QF 1 V W EF 1				
SF 2		L QF 2 V W EF 2				

FINALS WEEK 3 - SEP 27-28						
PF 1		W QF 1 V W SF 2				
PF 2		W QF 2 V W SF 1				

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GF		W PF 1 V W PF 2			Accor Stadium	

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