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THE EDITOR'S WORD

WELCOME

Time to put it all on the line!

This week's edition features a big spread on where our contributor Rob Crosby has your team placed in the run home to the NRL finals.

What's apparent is the four groups that have opened up - but the big question is where does he have your team placed? Check out his analysis on the next two pages.

Another big talking point over the last fortnight has been coaching moves - the Warriors secured Penrith assistant Andrew Webster to lead the club from 2023, while the Wests Tigers announced a huge succession plan which sees current Football GM Tim Sheens returning to his prior role of head coach for 2023-24 before Benji Marshall - who will deputise with Robbie Farah for those two seasons - takes over in 2025. Big T's Big Picture this week shows us what that revolution looks like.

It's another big issue with all the Super League action wrapped, plus Round 18 NRL wraps and the full Round 19 preview.

happy reading!

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TURNING FOR HOME

ROB CROSBY WEIGHS UP YOUR CLUB'S HOPES WITH SEVEN ROUNDS LEFT OF THE NRL SEASON

With seven rounds remaining in the regular season, the race for the finals - and the dreaded wooden spoon - is intensifying.

This weekend shapes as one of the most important in the context of the entire season with four of the eight matches being contested between sides separated by two points or fewer on the premiership ladder.

Reigning premiers Penrith have all but wrapped up the minor premiership, yet the race for the top four and the battle for the final positions in the top eight will be sure to keep the home-and-away season interesting until the fulltime whistle sounds on the first Sunday in September.

At the other end of the spectrum, the Tigers and Titans will be desperate to register late season wins in a bid to get off the bottom of the table, while the also-rans will be aiming to build confidence heading into 2023.

Every minute of every game matters - where will your side finish this year?

TOP FOUR

Penrith Panthers

The Penrith Panthers could claim the largest legitimate minor premiership triumph of the NRL era given their current standing eight points clear of their second-placed rivals. Barring any serious injuries to the likes of Nathan Cleary or Isaah Yeo, the reigning premiers should be on track to defend their title on grand final day.

Run Home: Cronulla (H), Parramatta (A), Canberra (A), Melbourne (H), South Sydney (A), New Zealand (H), North Queensland (A).

Predicted Finish: Minor Premiers (1ST)

North Queensland Cowboys

Guaranteed to return to finals football for the first time since their grand final run in 2017, the North Queensland Cowboys could record a top two finish for the first time off the back of a comparatively smooth run heading into September. Set to spend the bulk of August on the road, the final round clash against Penrith shapes as a sell-out in Townsville.

Run Home: Wests Tigers (H), St George Illawarra (A), Canterbury-Bankstown (A - Bundaberg), Sydney (A), New Zealand (H), South Sydney (A), Penrith (H).

Predicted Finish: Top 4 (2ND)

Melbourne Storm

Playing five of their final seven matches on the road, including hyper partisan trips to Auckland and Penrith, the biggest challenge for the Storm will be finding form after several concerning performances. With the likes of the Bromwich brothers, Felise Kaufusi and Brandon Smith winding down their time in the Victorian capital, coach Craig Bellamy will be hoping his players can deliver on the big stage one last time.

Run Home: South Sydney (A), New Zealand (A), Gold Coast (H), Penrith (A), Brisbane (A), Sydney (H), Parramatta (A).

Predicted Finish: Top 4 (3RD)

Cronulla Sharks

Surging into form with wins over Melbourne and North Queensland in back-to-back weeks, the Cronulla Sharks will be looking for a top four hat-trick with victory over Penrith. Falling short of the finals on for-and-against last season, a run of matches largely against also-rans should provide the side with an opportunity to pile on plenty of points.

Run Home: Penrith (A), South Sydney (A), St George Illawarra (H), Wests Tigers (A - Tamworth), Manly (A), Canterbury-Bankstown (H), Newcastle (A).

Predicted Finish: Top 4 (4TH)



TOP EIGHT

Parramatta Eels

At their best, the Parramatta Eels have the scalps to be premiership contenders. At their worst, the same team has appeared inert and inept. Having risen to the challenge against the likes of Melbourne and Penrith already this season, Brad Arthur will be banking on a difficult draw to bring out the best in his side.

Run Home: Brisbane (H), Penrith (H), Manly (A), South Sydney (H), Canterbury-Bankstown (H), Brisbane (A), Melbourne (H).

Predicted Finish: Top 8 (5TH)

Brisbane Broncos

It remains to be seen whether the Brisbane Broncos have over performed during the middle third of the season or can maintain their best heading into September. Recording enough wins to all but secure a return to the finals, coach Kevin Walters will have some selection headaches in order to find his best possible 17 in the weeks to come.

Run Home: Parramatta (A), Wests Tigers (H), Sydney (A), Newcastle (H), Melbourne (H), Parramatta (H), St George Illawarra (A).

Predicted Finish: Top 8 (6TH)



ON THE CUSP

South Sydney Rabbitohs

The South Sydney Rabbitohs have banked enough wins to make a run for the finals, but that may not be enough given their draw over the final seven weeks. Having missed much of 2022 through injury, the pride of the league will be looking for Latrell Mitchell to rise to his standing as one of the superstars of the game.

Run Home: Melbourne (H), Cronulla (A), New Zealand (H - Sunshine Coast), Parramatta (A), Penrith (H), North Queensland (H), Sydney (A).

Predicted Finish: Vying for 7th and 8th

Canberra Raiders

The Canberra Raiders stand the longest shot of the remaining top eight contenders - but a shot nonetheless. On paper, the Ricky Stuart coached side could make a run given their draw, however based on the form shown during the first two-thirds of 2022, it's hard to see the Raiders putting together a winning streak of more than two matches in a row.

Run Home: New Zealand (H), Gold Coast (A), Penrith (H), St George Illawarra (H), Newcastle (A), Manly (H), Wests Tigers (A).

Predicted Finish: Vying for 7th and 8th

AND THE REST...

Newcastle Knights

It's been a bitterly disappointing year for the Newcastle Knights after the strides taken in recent years. Having struggled to find the try line early on in the campaign, the side has appeared more potent with the ball in recent weeks. How Adam O'Brien chooses to use the final seven rounds should give supporters an indication of the club's fortunes for next season.

Run Home: Sydney (H), Canterbury-Bankstown (H), Wests Tigers (A), Brisbane (A), Canberra (H), Gold Coast (A), Cronulla (H).

Predicted Finish: Planning for 2023 (12TH)

New Zealand Warriors

It's been a trying period for the New Zealand Warriors in 2022. With three matches at home during the closing rounds, interim coach Stacey Jones will be looking to give long-suffering fans something to hold on to in between a difficult draw of fixtures in Australia.

Run Home: Canberra (A), Melbourne (H), South Sydney (A - Sunshine Coast), Canterbury-Bankstown (H), North Queensland (A), Penrith (A), Gold Coast (H).

Predicted Finish: Planning for 2023 (13TH)

Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs

Needing to win at least three of their remaining games to safely avoid the prospect of back-to-back wooden spoons, of more immediate importance for the Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs will be appointing a permanent coach.

Run Home: Gold Coast (H), Newcastle (A), North Queensland (H - Bundaberg), New Zealand (A), Parramatta (A), Cronulla (A), Manly (H).

Predicted Finish: Bottom 4 (14TH)



Manly Sea Eagles

It's been hard to get a gauge on the Manly Sea Eagles in 2022. Having missed their greatest attacking weapon for all but seven games, the Des Hasler coached side has adjusted admirably, however it remains to be seen whether they can perform against quality opposition given their track record to date.

Run Home: St George Illawarra (A), Sydney (H), Parramatta (H), Gold Coast (A), Cronulla (H), Canberra (A), Canterbury-Bankstown (A).

Predicted Finish: Vying for 7th and 8th

Sydney Roosters

It's hard to fathom a side boasting the talent of the Sydney Roosters missing the finals - yet that looms as a very real possibility for the foundation club. Trent Robinson may have three premierships rings to his name, but the next two months could prove to be the toughest test of his coaching career to date.

Run Home: Newcastle (A), Manly (A), Brisbane (H), North Queensland (H), Wests Tigers (H), Melbourne (A), South Sydney (H).

Predicted Finish: Vying for 7th and 8th

St George Illawarra Dragons

Ben Hunt can lead the St George Illawarra Dragons to the finals - IF he remains fit. In the event Hunt faces an extended stint on the sidelines, there is a good chance the Red V will struggle to win another game - such is the influence of the Dally M front runner.

Run Home: Manly (H), North Queensland (H), Cronulla (A), Canberra (A), Gold Coast (H), Wests Tigers (A), Brisbane (H).

Predicted Finish: Vying for 7th and 8th



Gold Coast Titans

Enduring a tragic decline from top eight finalists to wooden spoon stragglers in less than 12 months, the Gold Coast Titans should be able to pull off an upset over the final seven rounds if last week's performance against Brisbane is indicative of things to come.

Run Home: Canterbury-Bankstown (A), Canberra (H), Melbourne (A), Manly (H), St George Illawarra (A), Newcastle (H), New Zealand (A).

Predicted Finish: Bottom 4 (15TH)

Wests Tigers

There was a time when the cruellest thing a person could say about the Wests Tigers was "death, taxes and the Tigers running 9th." The joint venture shouldn't look back on those times with fondness but rather as infecting the club with a stench of mediocrity that has festered to this point. The wooden spoon doesn't always go to the worst club of any given season, but I can think of few clubs that are more deserving recipients in 2022.

Run Home: North Queensland (A), Brisbane (A), Newcastle (H), Cronulla (H - Tamworth), Sydney (A), St George Illawarra (H), Canberra (H).

Predicted Finish: Wooden Spoon (16TH)

THE BIG PICTURE

BACK TO THE FUTURE AT THE WESTS TIGERS - BENJI MARSHALL AND ROBBIE FARAH WILL ASSIST TIM SHEENS IN THE NEXT TWO SEASONS BEFORE MARSHALL TAKES THE REINS IN 2025.



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LU PLAYER OF THE YEAR

AFTER NRL ROUND 18

23 points - Nicho Hynes (Sharks), Daly Cherry-Evans (Sea Eagles), Ben Hunt (Dragons/QLD)

22 points - Cameron Munster (Storm/QLD)

18 points - Jahrome Hughes (Storm/NZ)

17 points - Nathan Cleary (Panthers/NSW)

15 points - Mitchell Moses (Eels), Joseph Manu (Roosters/NZ)

14 points - Joseph Tapine (Raiders), James Tedesco (Roosters/NSW)

13 points - Isaah Yeo (Panthers)

12 points - Jarome Luai (Panthers/NSW)

11 points - Dylan Edwards (Panthers), Scott Drinkwater (Cowboys), Jackson Hastings (Wests Tigers)

10 points - Damien Cook (Rabbitohs), Kalyn Ponga (Knights/QLD)

9 points - Latrell Mitchell (Rabbitohs), Jason Taumalolo (Cowboys), Tino Fa'asuamaleaui (Titans), Haumole Olakau'atu (Sea Eagles), Payne Haas (Broncos), Viliame Kikau (Panthers), Ryan Papenhuyzen (Storm), Blayke Brailey (Sharks), Matt Burton (Bulldogs), Valentine Holmes (Cowboys/QLD)

8 points - Adam Reynolds (Broncos), AJ Brimson (Titans), Matt Moylan (Sharks), Isaiah Papali'i (Eels), Jake Clifford (Knights), Taylan May (Panthers)

7 points - Siosifa Talakai (Sharks), Jeremiah Nanai (Cowboys), Reece Robson (Cowboys), Junior Paulo (Eels), Josh Curran (Warriors), Reed Mahoney (Eels), Selwyn Cobbo (Broncos), Will Kennedy (Sharks), Reuben Cotter (Cowboys), Harry Grant (Storm), Jack Wighton (Raiders/NSW)

6 points - Jeremy Marshall-King (Bulldogs), Josh Addo-Carr (Bulldogs), Luke Keary (Roosters), Clinton Gutherson (Eels), Kotoni Staggs (Broncos), Apisai Koroisau (Panthers), Addin Fonua-Blake (Warriors), Shaun Johnson (Warriors), Josh Papali'i (Raiders)

5 points - Reece Walsh (Warriors), Siosia Taukeiaho (Roosters), Dylan Brown (Eels), Cody Walker (Rabbitohs), Thomas Burgess (Rabbitohs), Hudson Young (Raiders), Patrick Carrigan (Broncos), Peta Hiku (Cowboys), Reuben Garrick (Sea Eagles), Adam Elliott (Raiders), Cameron Murray (Rabbitohs), Kieran Foran (Sea Eagles), Tom Dearden (Cowboys), James Fisher-Harris (Panthers/NZ)

4 points - Lachlan Ilias (Rabbitohs), Kurt Capewell (Broncos), Sam Walker (Roosters), Liam Martin (Panthers), Alex Johnston (Rabbitohs), David Klemmer (Knights), Dane Gagai (Knights), Zac Lomax (Dragons), Ronaldo Mulitalo (Sharks), Herbie Farnworth (Broncos), Chad Townsend (Cowboys), Tesi Niu (Broncos), Josh Aloiai (Sea Eagles), Cody Ramsey (Dragons), Zac Hosking (Broncos), David Nofoaluma (Wests Tigers/Samoa)

3 points - Brad Schneider (Raiders), Toby Sexton (Titans), Ryan Sutton (Raiders), Dale Finucane (Sharks), Shaun Lane (Eels), Sean O'Sullivan (Panthers), Ryan Matterson (Eels), Matt Frawley (Raiders), Mikaele Ravalawa (Dragons), Daejarn Asi (Cowboys), Campbell Graham (Rabbitohs), Albert Kelly (Broncos), Te Maire Martin (Broncos), Cameron McInnes (Sharks), Moses Suli (Dragons), Reagan Campbell-Gillard (Eels), Jock Madden (Wests Tigers), Erin Clark (Titans), Jesse Ramien (Sharks), Tyson Frizell (Knights), Anthony Milford (Knights), Wayne Egan (Warriors), Tom Gilbert (Cowboys), Lachlan Croker (Sea Eagles), Keaton Koloamatangi (Rabbitohs), Stephen Crichton (Panthers), Luke Thompson (Bulldogs), Marion Seve (Storm), Lachlan Lam (Roosters/PNG), Justin Olam (Storm/PNG)

2 points - Toby Rudolf (Sharks), Murray Taulagi (Cowboys), Adam Doueih (Wests Tigers), Edrick Lee (Knights), Nat Butcher (Roosters), Ezra Mam (Broncos), Tevita Pangai Junior (Bulldogs), Morgan Harper (Sea Eagles), Hame Sele (Rabbitohs), Felise Kaufusi (Storm), Tohu Harris (Warriors), Nick Meaney (Storm), Greg Marzhev (Titans), Jaydn Su'A (Dragons), Dylan Walker (Sea Eagles), Martin Taupau (Sea Eagles), Tyrell Sloan (Dragons), Ken Maumalo (Wests Tigers), Luke Brooks (Wests Tigers), Liam Knight (Rabbitohs), Phillip Sami (Titans), Kyle Feldt (Cowboys), Luciano Leilua (Wests Tigers), Izack Tago (Panthers), Luke Garner (Wests Tigers), Kodi Nikorima (Warriors), Jai Arrow (Rabbitohs), Tom Trbojevic (Sea Eagles), Teig Wilton (Sharks), Sunia Turuva (Panthers/Fiji)

1 point - James Schiller (Raiders), Declan Casey (Bulldogs), Brandon Smith (Storm), Kelma Tuilagi (Wests Tigers), Matt Eisenhuth (Panthers), Lindsay Collins (Roosters), Adam Clune (Knights), Xavier Coates (Storm), Joe Ofahengaue (Wests Tigers), Aiden Tolman (Sharks), Tyrone Roberts (Broncos), Victor Radley (Roosters), Corey Waddell (Bulldogs), Marcelo Montoya (Warriors), Nelson Asofa-Solomona (Storm), Max King (Bulldogs), Lachlan Miller (Sharks), Kenny Bromwich (Storm), Matthew Timoko (Raiders), Adam Pompey (Warriors), Corey Horsburgh (Raiders), Ben Trbojevic (Sea Eagles), Blake Taaffe (Rabbitohs), Sebastian Kris (Raiders), Jared Waerea-Hargreaves (Roosters), Siliva Havili (Rabbitohs), Josh Mcguire (Dragons), Mitchell Barnett (Knights), Brian To'o (Panthers), Jack Murchie (Warriors), Jake Averillo (Bulldogs), Nathan Brown (Eels), Dominic Young (Knights), Matt Dufty (Bulldogs), Toafofoa Siple (Sea Eagles), Blake Lawrie (Dragons), Josh Schuster (Sea Eagles/Samoa)



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THE WRAP

NRL 2022 ROUND 18

FRIDAY 15 JULY, 6:00PM

CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND 26 NORTH QUEENSLAND 12

SCORERS

CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND SHARKS (26) Tries: Jesse Ramien (2), Teig Wilton, Sione Katoa; Conversions: Nicho Hynes (4/4); Penalty Goals: Nicho Hynes (1/1) **def** **NORTH QUEENSLAND COWBOYS (12)** Tries: Kyle Feldt, Hamiso Tabuai-Fidow; Conversions: Chad Townsend (2/2)

MATCH INFORMATION

Venue: Queensland Country Bank Stadium; **Crowd:** 15982; **Halftime Score:** North Queensland 12 Cronulla-Sutherland 14; **LeagueUnlimited.com Players of the Match:** 3 points - Nicho Hynes, 2 points - Toby Rudolf, 1 point - Dale Finucane

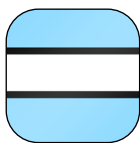
FINAL TEAMLISTS

NORTH QLD: 1. Scott Drinkwater 2. Kyle Feldt 3. Hamiso Tabuai-Fidow 4. Peta Hiku 5. Brendan Elliot 16. Ben Hampton 7. Chad Townsend 8. Jamayne Taunoa-Brown 9. Reece Robson 10. Coen Hess 11. Tom Gilbert 15. Luciano Leilua 13. Jason Taumalolo

INTERCHANGE 12. Connelly Lemuel 14. Jake Granville 17. Griffin Neame 18. Tomas Chester **18TH PLAYER** 22. Riley Price

CRONULLA: 1. Will Kennedy 2. Sione Katoa 3. Jesse Ramien 4. Connor Tracey 5. Ronaldo Mulitalo 6. Matt Moylan 7. Nicho Hynes 8. Toby Rudolf 9. Blayke Brailey 10. Royce Hunt 11. Teig Wilton 12. Wade Graham 13. Dale Finucane

INTERCHANGE 15. Cameron McInnes 16. Braden Hamlin-Uele 17. Andrew Fifita 19. Jesse Colquhoun **18TH PLAYER** 18. Braydon Trindall



HYNES SHINES AS SHARKS TAKE A BITE OUT OF TOP 4 RIVALS

A starring role from Nicho Hynes has proved the difference as Cronulla held on for a 26-12 victory against a North Queensland side missing their QLD Origin winners in Townsville tonight.

North Queensland was missing all their Queensland contingent with Tom Gilbert being the only Maroon to back up following Wednesday night, but still played a formidable line-up that stayed with Cronulla for most of the match. However, an ill-timed tackle on Ronaldo Mulitalo by Kyle Feldt set the visitors up with an early attacking opportunity and they didn't take long to execute when Matt Moylan executed a shift to the right and found try-scoring centre Jesse Ramien who continued his hot-streak to cross for the opening try of the evening.

North Queensland got themselves back into the game but as would be the case throughout the match, Cronulla would be more than happy to hold down and halt the momentum, but this would come back to bite later in the half. On the half-way mark of the opening half, Ramien burrowed his way to the line and despite Adam Gee ruling no-try, replays showed Ramien did enough to get the ball to the line and the Cowboys were looking shellshocked. Following a penalty inside their own end, the Cowboys hit back after a great catch and pass from Luciano Leilua who got it onto Peta Hiku who drew in Mulitalo and Kyle Feldt crossed for their first of the night.

A controversial late hit on Dale Finucane got the Sharks a further two points in front to lead by two possessions. Cronulla's dicing with the set restarts came back to bite when Adam Gee's patience ran out and Blayke Brailey was sin-binned, this proved costly when Chad Townsend found Hamiso Tabuai-Fidow and the Cowboys reduced the gap to two at half-time.

After a case of the dropsies went through Townsville, it appeared the Cowboys were going to take the lead when Jason Taumalolo broke through the middle and charged his way to the line. But, the bunker spoiled the fun when replays showed Reece Robson obstructed Braden Hamlin-Uele. Off the back of the penalty, a grubber from Moylan was spilt by Hampton and Teig Wilton crossed for the black, white and blue. Cronulla would seal a well-earned win when Sione Katoa broke through a poor attempt of a tackle by Scott Drinkwater to sprint 60 meters to score, concerning though he left the game with a shoulder injury and said he heard a pop in his shoulder.

North Queensland was far from disgraced, but they'll be better for the end-of-season games once the rest of their QLD contingent return following their rest period. Next up for the home side is a rare home Sunday afternoon match against Wests Tigers, while the Sharks take on Penrith in Penrith. **AJ LUCANTONIO**

FRIDAY 15 JULY, 7:55PM

PARRAMATTA 28 WARRIORS 18

SCORERS

PARRAMATTA EELS (28) Tries: Waqa Blake (2), Isaiah Papali'i, Clinton Gutherson, Maika Sivo; Conversions: Mitchell Moses (4/5) **def** **WARRIORS (18)** Tries: Marcelo Montoya, Edward Kosi, Jack Murchie; Conversions: Shaun Johnson (3/3)

MATCH INFORMATION

Venue: CommBank Stadium; **Crowd:** 12279; **Halftime Score:** Parramatta 10 Warriors 6; **LeagueUnlimited.com Players of the Match:** 3 points - Reed Mahoney, 2 points - Isaiah Papali'i, 1 point - Shaun Lane

FINAL TEAMLISTS

PARRAMATTA: 1. Clinton Gutherson 2. Maika Sivo 3. Viliami Penisini 4. Waqa Blake 5. Bailey Simonsson 6. Dylan Brown 7. Mitchell Moses 8. Reagan Campbell-Gillard 9. Reed Mahoney 10. Junior Paulo 11. Shaun Lane 12. Isaiah Papali'i 13. Marata Niukore

INTERCHANGE 14. Makahesi Makatoa 15. Jakob Arthur 16. Oregon Kaufusi 17. Ky Rodwell **18TH PLAYER** 22. Elie El Zakhem

WARRIORS: 1. Reece Walsh 2. Marcelo Montoya 3. Jesse Arthurs 4. Adam Pompey 5. Edward Kosi 6. Chanel Harris-Tavita 7. Shaun Johnson 16. Aaron Pene 9. Wayde Egan 10. Tohu Harris 11. Euan Aitken 12. Josh Curran 13. Jazz Tevaga

INTERCHANGE 14. Addin Fonua-Blake 14. Freddy Lussick 15. Bunty Afoa 17. Jack Murchie **18TH PLAYER** 18. Eliesa Katoa



PARRAMATTA HOLD OFF FAST FINISHING WARRIORS TO KEEP TOP 4 HOPES ALIVE

Parramatta were too strong for a fast-finishing Warriors outfit winning by 28-18 at CommBank Stadium tonight, to make it back-to-back wins for Brad Arthur's men and consolidate their spot in the Top 8.

Hooker Reed Mahoney was the star for the home side, setting up two tries with some superb touches out of dummy half and his crafty kicks in general play constantly had the Warriors on the back foot.

Overall, it was a comfortable victory for Brad Arthur's men who will still have concerns following another late game fade out where they conceded some soft tries with the game seemingly won, which they simply can't afford to do against the top sides of the competition.

For New Zealand it was a solid performance, with the Warriors keeping pace with Parramatta early in the match, but crucial errors at key times cost them dearly as they just could not create any momentum to overpower the Eels.

Parramatta were happy to be back on home turf and had their fans on their feet early, when Waqa Blake crashed over for the first try of the game following a beautiful flat ball from Mahoney at dummy half close to the line. Moses missed the conversion but it was the Eels ahead 4-0.

Waqa Blake then had his second try shortly after, when Maika Sivo took an intercept off his own line and as the cover defence closed in, he showed enough composure to find his centre in support, who cruised to the try line. Moses nailed the conversion from out wide and it was 10-0.

The Warriors needed to get into the match and they were gifted an opportunity following an error from Clint Gutherson. New Zealand accepted the invitation and hit back through a blind side play close to the line, which resulted in winger Marcelo Montoya scoring in the corner just before halftime. Shaun Johnson nailed the conversion to narrow the Eels lead to 10-6 at the break.

Parramatta then took the game away with a one-two punch combination, firstly through Isaiah Papali'i steaming onto an inside ball from Mahoney to score against his former club. Minutes later the Eels made it back-to-back tries, when off a Warriors error from a kick, the ball fell into the lap of winger Bailey Simonsson who flicked the ball back inside to find his skipper Gutherson who picked up the scraps to score a simple try and extend the lead to 22-6.

Parramatta then put an exclamation point on the match when fan favourite Maika Sivo was put in the clear by Dylan Brown down the left touch line. The Fijian winger then went on a 60 metre run to score a superb try and kick his side clear by 28-6 following the conversion by Moses with ten minutes to go.

The Warriors then charged home with two late consolation tries from the hand of Shaun Johnson for winger Edward Kosi and then backrower Jack Murchie, but it was too little too late as Parramatta held on for a comfortable 28-18 victory.

Round 19 sees the Eels return to CommBank Stadium next Thursday night where they face the Brisbane Broncos, while the Warriors travel to the nation's capital where they face the Canberra Raiders on Saturday afternoon. **SAM BOURKE**

SATURDAY 16 JULY, 3:00PM

SYDNEY 54 ST GEORGE ILLAWARRA 26

SCORERS

SYDNEY ROOSTERS (54) Tries: Victor Radley, Sam Walker, Joseph Manu (2), Connor Watson, James Tedesco (2), Joseph Suaalii, Paul Momirovski; Conversions: Sam Walker (8/9); Penalty Goals: Sam Walker (1/1) **def ST GEORGE ILLAWARRA DRAGONS (26)** Tries: Ben Hunt, Zac Lomax, Mathew Feagai, Cody Ramsey; Conversions: Zac Lomax (4/4); Penalty Goals: Zac Lomax (1/1)

MATCH INFORMATION

Venue: Central Coast Stadium; **Crowd:** 15721; **Halftime Score:** Sydney 12 St George Illawarra 14; **LeagueUnlimited.com Players of the Match:** 3 points - Joseph Manu, 2 points - James Tedesco, 1 point - Victor Radley

FINAL TEAMLISTS

SYDNEY: 1. James Tedesco 2. Daniel Tupou 3. Billy Smith 4. Paul Momirovski 5. Joseph Suaalii 6. Joseph Manu 7. Sam Walker 16. Nat Butcher 9. Sam Verrills 10. Siosiaua Taukeiaho 11. Angus Crichton 12. Sitili Tupouniua 13. Victor Radley

INTERCHANGE 14. Connor Watson 15. Egan Butcher 18. Drew Hutchison 19. Matthew Lodge **18TH PLAYER** 24. Terrell May

ST GEO ILLA: 1. Cody Ramsey 2. Mathew Feagai 3. Moses Suli 4. Zac Lomax 5. Tautau Moga 6. Talatau Amone 7. Ben Hunt 13. Jack de Belin 9. Andrew McCullough 10. Blake Lawrie 21. Billy Burns 12. Jaydn Su'A 11. Jack Bird

INTERCHANGE 8. Francis Molo 14. Moses Mbye 16. Aaron Woods 22. Josh Mcguire **18TH PLAYER** 18. Michael Molo



ROOSTERS RACK UP 50 IN SECOND HALF BLITZ

The Roosters piled on 42 points in 38 minutes to turn a 14-12 deficit into a thumping 54-26 victory against the St. George-Illawarra Dragons on the Central Coast.

Joseph Manu and Ben Hunt dominated the first half for their respective sides, before the Roosters turned up the heat after the break, ending their 4 game losing streak in emphatic fashion and resulting in the Roosters jumping the Dragons on the ladder and back into the top 8.

The scoring opened in the 14th minute when Sam Verrills darted out of dummy half before linking in the middle with Joseph Manu, who spun out of a tackle then got a little flick pass away to Victor Radley, who ran 30 metres to score under the posts. Sam Walker converted. The Roosters crossed again in the 21st minute when Manu barged over from dummy half. Walker again added the extras. The Dragons hit back in the 26th minute when Ben Hunt at second receiver, straightened his run, dummied and then took on the line, bumping out of a tackle before diving over to score under the sticks. Zac Lomax converted. From the restart, Hunt kicked early and from inside his own 30 metres, nailing a 40/20. From the next set, the Dragons sent the ball right to Lomax who stood up his opposite number and then ran past him to score out wide. He then converted his own try to level the scores with 10 minutes remaining in the first half. With five minutes remaining in the half, Lomax kicked a penalty goal to give the Dragons a 14-12 lead at halftime. The Roosters reclaimed the lead just 2 minutes after play resumed when Connor Watson burst into a huge space in the middle of the field and run 20 metres to score under the posts. Walker converted from in front.

In the 46th minute Aaron Woods was sent to the sin bin for 10 minutes for obstruction. Walker kicked a penalty goal. Despite being down to 12 men, the Dragons scored in the 49th minute when Cody Ramsay produced a brilliant solo effort where he beat Walker with footwork and then ran 25 metres before getting a great pass away after being tackled from behind, to Mathew Feagai who scored in the corner. Lomax converted from the sideline to level the scores. The Roosters took over the game from the 54th minute when Manu scored his second barge-over try from dummy half, which Walker again converted. They scored again just 2 minutes later when Walker spun out of a tackle and dived over the line to score near the posts. He then converted his own try. Less than 2 minutes later, the Roosters scored again when Angus Crichton made a break before getting a lovely ball inside to James Tedesco who ran 20 metres to score under the posts. Walker again added the extras.

In the 63rd minute, the Roosters were again on the attack. Tupou took a cross-field kick cleanly close to the Dragons line, offloaded infield to Crichton. He then got a pass onto Matt Lodge who offloaded in a tackle which Ramsay intercepted before racing 90 metres to score. Lomax converted to reduce the deficit to 8 points. Joseph Suaalii scored a now trademark try as he soared high to take a bomb to the corner cleanly, before falling over the line to score. Walker fails to convert from out near the sideline. In the 70th minute Manu picked up a loose ball, stood still, grabs at a cramp in his calf. The defence relaxed around him. Manu then exploded through the Dragons defenders, grubbered ahead and Paul Momirovski scored. Walker made no mistake from the sideline with the conversion. Just before the fulltime siren sounded, Tedesco went on a hard angled run, slicing through the Dragons defence before being tackled low, but somehow he managed to twist and roll in the tackle to reach the line and get the ball down for a try, bringing up the 50 points. Walker converted from in front to close out a high scoring game. **ANDREW FERGUSON**

SATURDAY 16 JULY, 5:30PM

MANLY 42 NEWCASTLE 12

SCORERS

MANLY-WARRINGAH SEA EAGLES (42) Tries: Tolutau Koula, Jason Saab (2), Haumole Olakau'atu, Andrew Davey, Christian Tuipulotu, Lachlan Croker; Conversions: Daly Cherry-Evans (5/6), Reuben Garrick (1/1); Penalty Goals: Daly Cherry-Evans (1/1) **def NEWCASTLE KNIGHTS (12)** Tries: Adam Clune, Kalyn Ponga; Conversions: Kalyn Ponga (2/2)

MATCH INFORMATION

Venue: 4 Pines Park; **Crowd:** 15896; **Halftime Score:** Manly-Warringah 14 Newcastle 6; **LeagueUnlimited.com Players of the Match:** 3 points - Daly Cherry-Evans, 2 points - Reuben Garrick, 1 point - Josh Aloiai

FINAL TEAMLISTS

MANLY: 1. Reuben Garrick 2. Jason Saab 3. Morgan Harper 4. Tolutau Koula 5. Christian Tuipulotu 6. Kieran Foran 7. Daly Cherry-Evans 8. Sean Keppie 9. Lachlan Croker 18. Josh Aloiai 11. Haumole Olakau'atu 12. Andrew Davey 13. Jake Trbojevic

INTERCHANGE 10. Toafofoa Siple 14. Dylan Walker 15. Josh Schuster 16. Martin Taipau **18TH PLAYER** 19. Ben Trbojevic

NEWCASTLE: 1. Kalyn Ponga 2. Edrick Lee 3. Dane Gagai 4. Enari Tuala 5. Dominic Young 6. Anthony Milford 7. Adam Clune 8. David Klemmer 9. Jayden Brailey 10. Daniel Saifiti 11. Tyson Frizell 20. Lachlan Fitzgibbon 12. Mitchell Barnett

INTERCHANGE 14. Simi Sasagi 15. Jacob Saifiti 17. Brodie Jones 18. Leo Thompson **18TH PLAYER** 19. Chris Randall



MANLY RUN RIOT AS O'BRIEN'S SEAT WARMS FURTHER

Manly Warringah has shown that they'll be amongst the conversation to play finals footy with a resounding 42-12 win over a pedestrian Newcastle Knights side at 4 Pines Park this evening, placing more heat on embattled Newcastle coach Adam O'Brien.

This match was important to both sides semi-final chances with Manly being joined on 18 competition points by the Roosters after their earlier victory this afternoon, while the Knights were slowly losing touch with the teams in the log-jam for the final spots around the top 8.

Manly was quick to fire inside the opening ten minutes and their efforts were rewarded following a cheap escort penalty conceded by Dane Gagai. Tolatau Koula continued his purple patch of try-scoring form doing a clever right foot step to make Enari Tuala look like a fool and cross for the first try of the evening. Daly Cherry-Evans continued to deputise the goal-kicking duties for his crook Eagles team-mate Reuben Garrick and made no mistakes. Newcastle responded almost immediately when a lovely play from Jayden Brailey down the blind saw him link up with Kalyn Ponga who in turn found Gagai who quickly shifted it onto Dom Young with the Jamaican kicking back in field and Adam Clune won the race to the ball first and the Knights quickly locked the scoreline back up. Newcastle thought they grabbed a second but Edrick Lee was denied following a forward pass that was correctly picked up by the officials.

Off the error, Andrew Davey blitzed the Knights down the left-hand side of the park after a deep dig into the line from Kieran Foran. Davey linked up with Jason Saab who gets the crowd in his selfie to celebrate #TryJuly. Manly looked set for more when they went back down the left-hand side, but Anthony Milford had a grab of Garrick's arm and after momentarily playing advantage, Gerard Sutton had no choice but to send the 5/8 to the sin bin. DCE knocked over the penalty goal to give Manly an eight-point half-time lead.

Newcastle was first to score in the second half despite being short on numbers. Kalyn Ponga was the man in the lead role. It was a great pass from KP to Lachlan Fitzgibbon who found Enari Tuala who blitzed them straight through the middle before a no-look pass found Kalyn Ponga and despite being down to 12 men, the Knights crossed first in the second 40. Just when it appeared they would survive the sin bin period, Manly pounced when Foran exposed the Newcastle defence by linking up with DCE before a magic pass to Saab saw the winger collect his second of the evening and the eight-point half-time gap was re-established. Manly was running away with it just before the hour mark and eventually put some respectability on the scoreboard, another bust from Koula was cut down by Ponga. However, on the ensuing tackle, Garrick linked up with Haumole Olakau'atu who burst onto the ball and stepped past the fatigued defence of Daniel Saifiti and Jayden Brailey to slam it down, DCE hit the upright and the margin was two converted tries. Five minutes later, the carnage continued when Garrick hit a beautiful line before linking up with Andrew Davey to cross for the Sea Eagles. That extended the margin to 18 points and went a long way to improving their for and against which could prove vital for the run into September. That statistic was only improving when DCE was putting it on a string and another great grubber found Christian Tuipulotu and Manly were up by 24 points and would close out the game giving their Origin stars a much-needed early mark to rest up for the coming weeks. They grabbed a late try when Lachlan Croker crashed over off a great offload from Dylan Walker to cement the scoreline.

Manly take on St George Illawarra next weekend in what's a big match for both sides in the race for the eight. Newcastle have probably done their dash in season 2022, they've just lacked the consistency through poor attacking and even weaker defence which has seen Adam O'Brien's future drawn into question. **AJ LUCANTONIO**

THE WRAP

NRL 2022 ROUND 18

SATURDAY 16 JULY, 7:35PM

BRISBANE 16 GOLD COAST 12

SCORERS

BRISBANE BRONCOS (16) Tries: Delouise Hoeter, Adam Reynolds, Jordan Pereira; Conversions: Adam Reynolds (2/3) **def GOLD COAST TITANS (12)** Tries: Tanah Boyd, Jaimin Jolliffe; Conversions: Toby Sexton (2/2)

MATCH INFORMATION

Venue: Cbus Super Stadium; **Crowd:** 19245; **Halftime Score:** Gold Coast 6 Brisbane 6; **LeagueUnlimited.com Players of the Match:** 3 points - Erin Clark, 2 points - Zac Hosking, 1 points - Tesi Niu

FINAL TEAMLISTS

GOLD COAST: 1. AJ Brimson 2. Sosefo Fifita 3. Phillip Sami 4. Patrick Herbert 5. Corey Thompson 6. Tanah Boyd 7. Toby Sexton 8. Moeaki Fotuauka 9. Aaron Booth 10. Isaac Liu 11. David Fifita 12. Beau Farmor 14. Erin Clark

INTERCHANGE 13. Tino Fa'asuamaleaui 15. Jaimin Jolliffe 16. Herman Ese'ese 17. Paul Turner **18TH PLAYER** 18. Sam McIntyre

BRISBANE: 1. Tesi Niu 2. Delouise Hoeter 3. Kotoni Staggs 4. Brenko Lee 5. Jordan Pereira 6. Ezra Mam 7. Adam Reynolds 8. Keenan Palasia 9. Billy Walters 16. Thomas Flegler 11. Zac Hosking 12. Jordan Riki 13. Kobe Hetherington

INTERCHANGE 10. Ryan James 14. Jake Turpin 15. Rhys Kennedy 17. Tyson Gamble **18TH PLAYER** 18. Deine Mariner



BIG BROTHER TAKES QLD DERBY IN A TYPICAL SIBLING RUMBLE

Despite having less points combined than the score of the two other winning sides today, the Brisbane Broncos and Gold Coast Titans have played out an entertaining South-East Queensland Derby which saw the Broncos take a 16-12 lead.

A lack of points in the opening forty minutes didn't dampen the entertainment of the contest as both sides went close on a number of occasions before it took the Titans scoring on the half-hour mark to break the deadlock. AJ Brimson started things for the Titans when his 60m run put the home-side into attacking position and Tanah Boyd chased through a Toby Sexton kick to open the scoring for the home-side.

The Broncos managed to get back on the scoreboard on the stroke of half-time when Delouise Hoeter had to contend with a difficult low pass from Adam Reynolds to get over in the corner which he did and got over. Adam Reynolds converted from out wide to ensure the scores were level at the break.

Question marks surround the first try of the second half with Jaimin Jolliffe being awarded a try by the referee after a good run through the middle saw him get close to the line and in the officials' opinion to the line. Replays though put a question mark on whether it had got to the line but it was confirmed and after the conversion the Titans led 12-6.

Both sides went end to end until the Broncos hit back through Jordan Pereira who crossed only tackles after being denied at close range by some strong defence. Questions surrounded with the Broncos winger had got there as a result of a double movement though replays showed no defenders were on Pereira so he was entitled to get the ball to the line. The conversion was waved away.

The Broncos then took the lead just a few minutes later when off the back of an error, the Broncos were in good field position and despite looking as if they shut down the play, the Titans couldn't stop Tyson Gamble from getting an offload to Adam Reynolds who scored. Reynolds converted his own try from in front to give the Broncos a four point lead.

It looked as if the Broncos had sealed the victory with fifteen minutes to play when Zac Hosking crossed only to have Matt Noyen in the bunker overturn the try for a double movement after the ball had hit the ground prior to Hosking stretching out to the line.

The last ten minutes would be something Phillip Sami would want to forget about as he looked to put the Titans level inside the final ten minutes only to have the bunker step in as he dropped the ball as he tried to ground it. The second moment Sami would want to forget is when he elected to stop to come back infield and not just pin the ears back when he had an open line in front of him.

Despite mounting pressure, the Titans could crack the Broncos line and had to succumb to the 16-12 defeat to their Brisbane cousins.

Next weekend, the Broncos head to Parramatta to play the Eels at Parramatta on Thursday night whilst for the Titans they travel to play the Bulldogs on Sunday. **JOSH ROBERTSON**

SUNDAY 17 JULY, 2:00PM

PENRITH 18 WESTS TIGERS 16

SCORERS

PENRITH PANTHERS (18) Tries: Izack Tago, Viliame Kikau, James Fisher-Harris; Conversions: Kurt Falls (2/2), Sean O'Sullivan (1/1) **def WESTS TIGERS (16)** Tries: Junior Tupou, Adam Doueihi, Ken Maumalo; Conversions: Adam Doueihi (2/3)

MATCH INFORMATION

Venue: CommBank Stadium; **Crowd:** 11464; **Halftime Score:** Wests Tigers 10 Penrith 12; **LeagueUnlimited.com Players of the Match:** 3 points - James Fisher-Harris, 2 points - Adam Doueihi, 1 points - Dylan Edwards

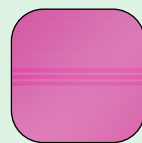
FINAL TEAMLISTS

WESTS TIGERS: 1. Daine Laurie 20. Junior Tupou 3. Starford To'a 21. Asu Kepaoa 5. Ken Maumalo 6. Adam Doueihi 7. Luke Brooks 8. Joe Ofahengaue 9. Fa'amanu Brown 10. Zane Musgrove 16. Luke Garner 12. Kelma Tuilagi 13. Jackson Hastings

INTERCHANGE 11. Justin Matamua 14. Fonua Pole 15. James Tamou 17. Jake Simpkin **18TH PLAYER** 18. Austin Dias

PENRITH: 1. Dylan Edwards 2. Taylan May 3. Izack Tago 4. Robert Jennings 5. Charlie Staines 6. Kurt Falls 7. Sean O'Sullivan 8. Moses Leota 9. Mitch Kenny 10. James Fisher-Harris 11. Viliame Kikau 12. Chris Smith 13. Matt Eisenhuth

INTERCHANGE 14. Soni Luke 15. Scott Sorenson 17. Jaeman Salmon 20. Lindsay Smith **18TH PLAYER** 18. Sunia Turuva



PENRITH CAP OFF ORIGIN PERIOD WITH SCRAPPY WIN OVER TIGERS

The Penrith Panthers have won their eighth straight match downing the Wests Tigers 18-16 in an at times scrappy Sunday afternoon match at CommBank Stadium.

Well coming into this clash, it looked to be a forgone conclusion that Penrith was going to run riot against a Tigers side that just hasn't had anything going for them in 2022. It was the ultimate David and Goliath battle of the 2022 season but there was a twist that would help Wests, Penrith was resting their 7 NSW stars for this one, so if there was ever a chance to knock off Penrith it's this one.

In the opening stages, it appeared to be going to script as Penrith suffocated Wests in their own end and were placing the Tigers under a mountain of early pressure. But then, something magical happened and the Tigers crossed for the first try of the afternoon. Despite all the footy being played at the other end, some nice second-phase play from the Tigers saw Asu Kepaoa make Robert Jennings look foolish before linking up with Junior Tupou and the Tigers led 4-0. But, when you're going up against a side that is as talented from 1-17 as Penrith (even with the Origin stars out), you need to play for the full 80 minutes. Penrith hit back almost immediately when following good lead-up work from Taylan May it was a great shift to the left and Viliame Kikau got it onto Izack Tago who beat Daine Laurie on his way to the line. But then, the Tigers side we've come to see reared their ugly heads when a poor pass was kicked ahead by Kikau who toed ahead again to cross for Penrith and he held his own kava ceremony in the in-goal of CommBank Stadium. Despite a lengthy bunker review, they gave Kikau the green lights.

Wests went into half-time with all the momentum after forcing an error from rookie half Kurt Falls. From the scrum play, Adam Doueihi worked his way past some sloppy defence to get it down and despite all the possession being up the other end, Wests were within two points. Despite the officials missing a Mitch Kenny jag back, the Tigers thought they hit the front when Doueihi put it up to the skies, Robert Jennings lost it, Luke Brooks grubber kicked it forward and flicks it straight to Kepaoa, there was just one problem, Tupou was offside and Penrith was lucky to hang in for a two-point half-time lead.

The second half began with a comedy of errors, both sides struggling to gain the ascendancy with errors at the critical moments undoing all their good work and leading Corey Parker to call the first twenty minutes of the second half "absolute rubbish". The Tigers thought they crossed for the first try of the second half when Tupou crossed untouched but unfortunately, Justin Matamua ran straight into Jaeman Salmon constituting an obstruction.

Wests were generating the better of the attacking chances and we're imposing ourselves down the other end but Penrith was doing enough to hang in there and keep their two-point lead. But at last, we had some points when a pin-point kick from Adam Doueihi found Ken Maumalo who leapt above Taylan May and outmuscled his way past four Panthers to give the Tigers the lead back. But the relief was short-lived following a Scott Sorenson line break which gave Penrith the field position and on the last tackle, Mitch Kenny linked up with James Fisher-Harris to score the match-winning try and O'Sullivan converted to give Penrith a narrow two-point verdict.

Wests were far from disgraced and should take some confidence following this performance but once again, they're execution let them down. They've got another tough road trip to North Queensland next Sunday while Penrith takes on Cronulla next Saturday in a blockbuster at home. **AJ LUCANTONIO**

SUNDAY 17 JULY, 4:05PM

CANBERRA 20 MELBOURNE 16

SCORERS

CANBERRA RAIDERS (20) Tries: Sebastian Kris, James Schiller (2); Conversions: Jamal Fogarty (3/3); Penalty Goals: Jamal Fogarty (1/1) **def** **MELBOURNE STORM (16)** Tries: Nick Meaney, Jahrome Hughes, Harry Grant; Conversions: Nick Meaney (1/2), Ryan Papenhuyzen (1/1)

MATCH INFORMATION

Venue: AAMI Park; **Crowd:** 16106; **Halftime Score:** Melbourne 6 Canberra 14; **LeagueUnlimited.com** **Players of the Match:** 3 points - Adam Elliott, 2 points - Cameron Munster, 1 points - James Schiller

FINAL TEAMLISTS

MELBOURNE: 1. Ryan Papenhuyzen 2. Nick Meaney 3. Marion Seve 4. Justin Olam 5. Dean Ieremia 6. Cameron Munster 7. Jahrome Hughes 8. Jesse Bromwich 9. Harry Grant 10. Nelson Asofa-Solomona 11. Felise Kaufusi 12. Kenny Bromwich 13. Josh King

INTERCHANGE 14. Tyran Wishart 15. Tui Kamikamica 16. Alec MacDonald 17. Jordan Grant **18TH PLAYER** 19. Chris Lewis

CANBERRA: 1. Xavier Savage 15. James Schiller 3. Matthew Timoko 4. Sebastian Kris 5. Jordan Rapana 6. Jack Wighton 7. Jamal Fogarty 8. Josh Papali'i 9. Zac Woolford 10. Joseph Tapine 11. Hudson Young 20. Corey Harawira-Naera 16. Adam Elliott

INTERCHANGE 13. Ryan Sutton 14. Tom Starling 21. Emre Guler 22. Albert Hopoate **18TH PLAYER** 18. Brad Schneider



RAIDERS RAIN ON MELBOURNE'S PARADE

The Canberra Raiders have produced a stirring performance to upset the Melbourne Storm in one of the games of the season.

Extending their record as the only team to boast a positive win-loss record at AAMI Park, the Raiders managed to fight back after squandering a halftime lead with little-known winger James Schiller bagging the match-winner with one of the tries of the season.

Adding to the Storm's woes, who slumped to their third consecutive loss, Ryan Papenhuyzen sustained a suspected fractured kneecap that looks set to sideline the star fullback for the remainder of 2022.

Beginning the match with a much-improved attitude following last week's debacle against Cronulla, Melbourne outside back Nick Meaney (5th minute) opened the scoring after the Raiders failed to wrap up the ball from Kenny Bromwich's grasp close to the try line.

Capitalising on an ill-timed pass from Papenhuyzen which allowed Sebastian Kris (10th minute) to streak 85 metres untouched, the Raiders hit the front with a penalty goal coinciding with Papenhuyzen being escorted from the field with a suspected fractured kneecap.

Establishing an eight-point buffer after Schiller (22nd minute) crossed for his maiden NRL try, luck continued to run with the visitors after the bunker overturned a try due to Jahrome Hughes losing control while grounding the ball.

The Storm managed to maintain the 14-6 deficit after Justin Olam produced a spectacular try-saving hit to deny Schiller a second four-pointer shortly before the change of ends.

Returning from the sheds intent on bouncing back on home soil, the Storm survived an early scare with Jordan Rapana ruled out of play while planting the ball before striking back with a try of their own through Hughes (50th minute), who made amends for his earlier blemish by taking advantage of a quick tap close to the try line.

Taking advantage of a one-man advantage after Rapana was sent to the sin bin for making head contact on Marion Seve, the Storm regained the lead with Harry Grant (59th minute) taking on the line from close range.

Securing the result with one of the tries of the season to Schiller (67th minute), the 21-year-old winger kicked ahead, ran back into the field of play and managed to ground the ball with an effort reminiscent of Parramatta rookie Krisnan Inu against the Bulldogs 15 years ago. In a frantic ending to the match, Xavier Savage and Hughes both had tries denied by the bunker which allowed the Raiders to run out 20-16 victors before a crowd of 16,106 supporters.

The match also marked the official unveiling of the Cameron Smith Stand in recognition of the Melbourne Storm's greatest player.

Next week, the Storm face the Rabbitohs at Accor Stadium on Saturday night, while the Raiders return home on Saturday afternoon to take on the Warriors. **ROB CROSBY**

SUNDAY 17 JULY, 6:15PM

SOUTH SYDNEY 36 CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN 28

SCORERS

SOUTH SYDNEY RABBITOHS (36) Tries: Lachlan Ilias, Latrell Mitchell, Cody Walker, Alex Johnston (3), Tevita Tatola; Conversions: Latrell Mitchell (4/7) **def** **CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN BULLDOGS (28)** Tries: Braidon Burns, Declan Casey, Joe Stimson, Jake Averillo, Paul Vaughan; Conversions: Matt Burton (4/5)

MATCH INFORMATION

Venue: Accor Stadium; **Crowd:** 19126; **Halftime Score:** Canterbury-Bankstown 10 South Sydney 16; **LeagueUnlimited.com** **Players of the Match:** 3 points - Latrell Mitchell, 2 points - Lachlan Ilias, 1 points - Declan Casey

FINAL TEAMLISTS

CANTERBURY: 1. Jake Averillo 2. Jacob Kiraz 20. Declan Casey 4. Braidon Burns 5. Josh Addo-Carr 6. Matt Burton 7. Kyle Flanagan 8. Max King 9. Jeremy Marshall-King 10. Paul Vaughan 11. Josh Jackson 12. Corey Waddell 13. Tevita Pangai Junior

INTERCHANGE 14. Zach Dockar-Clay 15. Kurtis Morrin 16. Joe Stimson 17. Raymond Faitala-Mariner **18TH PLAYER** 23. Chris Patolo

SOUTH SYDNEY: 1. Latrell Mitchell 2. Alex Johnston 3. Taane Milne 4. Isaiah Tass 5. Jaxson Paulo 6. Cody Walker 7. Lachlan Ilias 8. Tevita Tatola 16. Siliva Havili 10. Mark Nicholls 11. Keaton Koloamatangi 12. Jai Arrow 20. Davvy Moale

INTERCHANGE 14. Kodi Nikorima 15. Jed Cartwright 17. Thomas Burgess 18. Daniel Suluka-Fifita **18TH PLAYER** 22. Blake Taaffe



RABBITOHS FINISH FAST TO BEAT BRAVE BULLDOGS

The South Sydney Rabbitohs have secured some much needed security to their spot in the top eight with a 36-28 win over the Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs in a see-sawing encounter that featured five lead changes.

The match started off with young Souths halfback Lachlan Ilias showing some individual brilliance, grubbering through for himself and scoring the first try of the game. It didn't take the Bulldogs long to respond however. Souths' attempt at a trick play on tackle 1 didn't go to plan, with Mitchell's kick going dead. Off the ensuing 7 tackle set, the Bulldogs forced an error off a Flanagan kick. Off the scrum win, Braidon Burns manhandled Alex Johnston out of the way to score in the corner against his old club. It took just two more minutes for the Dogs to score their next try. They got into attacking position courtesy of a penalty, and Declan Casey was able to dummy his way through a 2-on-2 situation to dive over for the first try of his NRL career. Emotions were running high between the stars on either side, with Latrell Mitchell and Matt Burton exchanging words on multiple occasions, the former running over the top of the latter twice throughout the contest.

Lachlan Ilias had his fingerprints all over Souths' next try as well, passing to put Koloamatangi through a hole and the big second rower getting an offload away on the inside to Cody Walker, who scored. The next 15 minutes were filled with big defensive plays from both teams. The Bulldogs managed to stop Tom Burgess over the line and throw Isaiah Tass over the sideline, but soon after Souths forced Corey Waddell to drop it, and they were finally able to cross the line to take advantage of their field position through Alex Johnston.

At half time it was 16-10 to the Red and Green, but the Bulldogs were not going to lie down. Latrell Mitchell was penalised for a hand to the face of Josh Addo-Carr, and on the ensuing set Marshall-King came up with a brilliant pass that ended up as a try assist for Joe Stimson. Souths had a few minutes of attack but the Bulldogs defence came through. Cody Walker eventually made an error, and against the run of play, the Bulldogs scored a magnificent try to hit the front. Declan Casey stepped past two Souths defenders and broke the line, before showing great patience and maturity to wait for support, which he found in Kyle Flanagan. The halfback then passed it off to speedy fullback Jake Averillo, who dived in under the posts. The Bulldogs new-found lead didn't last long. The next time Souths had the ball (two minutes later), Kodi Nikorima offloaded to Latrell Mitchell, who went on a run only Latrell Mitchell is capable of, goose-stepping to beat Burton and then shrugging off the two Bulldogs players in the last line of defence to score a magnificent individual try.

With 15 minutes to go and the scores tied at 22-22, the game was anyone's for the taking. The Bulldogs were the first to stand up and take charge, with Waddell running over Jed Cartwright to create a broken field situation. The ball found Burton, who went to Flanagan, who then found Paul Vaughan of all people in support, the big man crashing over to give the Bulldogs a 6-point lead. Once again, Souths didn't take kindly to being behind on the scoreboard. On their next set, they went downfield with ease, and the two big guns of Cody Walker and Latrell Mitchell combined brilliantly, the former probing around the ruck before passing to the latter, who put big Tevita Tatola through a gaping hole to score under the posts.

Jeremy Marshall-King made an unfortunate error the next time the Bulldogs had the ball, and Latrell Mitchell again came up with a passing try-assist, running across field before letting the ball ring it's way to Alex Johnston, who crossed over untouched, giving Souths a four point lead. The Bulldogs tried a short kickoff, but Souths came up with possession, and would score once again before full time when Isaiah Tass miraculously kept the ball infield from a bomb to Johnston, who completed his third hat-trick of the season. That was all she wrote, Souths winning an entertaining affair by 8 points. **ADAM HUXTABLE**

SUPER LEAGUE

ROUND 19 WRAP

Match wraps by JUSTIN DAVIES

11-man Saints secure giant win against Huddersfield

St Helens triumphed 25-0 despite being reduced to 11-men at one point against Huddersfield Giants on Friday night.

The Saints maintain their four-point gap on Wigan Warriors and stretch their advantage on third place Huddersfield Giants to seven points headed into the final stretch.

The hosts had to work for the points after the early dismissal of Peter Mata'utia for a dangerous tackle although Saints posted first points still through Joe Batchelor.

It was a scrappy game with both teams missing chances to put on points including both Jonny Lomax and Will Pryce missing from the tee in the first 40.

St Helens pushed through with more points when Agnatius Paasi and fullback Jack Welsby crossed the whitewash alongside a Lomax penalty goal to make it 18-0.

They were reduced to 11-men for the final ten minutes when Morgan Knowles was shown a yellow card for a professional foul but that didn't deter the Saints.

Lomax added the fourth try of the contest when he supported a break from Welsby to dive over in front of the home faithful for 24-0.

Welsby rounded off the night with a field goal to make the advantage 25 then Huddersfield Giants had a late score chalked off to Pryce in a wild evening of rugby league.

St Helens (25) Tries: Joe Batchelor, Agnatius Paasi, Jack Welsby, Jonny Lomax; Goals: Jonny Lomax 4; Field Goals: Jack Welsby 1 **def Huddersfield Giants (0)** at **Totally Wicked Stadium, Fri 15 Jul 8pm; Referee: Chris Kendall; Attendance: 11288 // ST HELENS:** Hopoate, Bennison, Hurrell, Mata'utia, Grace; Welsby, Lomax; Walmsley, Roby (C), Lees, Sironen, Batchelor, Knowles. **Int:** Lussick, McCarthy-Scarsbrook, Paasi, Wingfield **HUDDERSFIELD:** Pryce, McGillvary, Cudjoe, King, Senior, Russell, Fages; Greenwood, Levi, Trout, Jones, McQueen, Yates (C). **Int:** Golding, Wilson, Ashworth, Hewitt

Hull FC surrender to French

Bevan French scored seven tries in a 60-0 walloping by Wigan Warriors against Hull FC in a wild Friday night at the DW Stadium.

The Australian winger went on a scoring rampage. French completed his hat-trick in the first half before adding a fourth for good measure on a record night.

Fullback Jai Field was the other Warrior to find the scoreboard in the first half with a typical runaway effort as he has taken Super League by storm in 2022.

Wigan Warriors were in full flow in the second half, French added another three more tries in the romp to complete his historic feat alongside a second from Field as the Warriors lock down second spot.

Not to feel left out, Warriors other winger Liam Marshall added a score in the final ten minutes alongside halfback Harry Smith for the mammoth 60-0 score line.

Hull FC were unable to back up their derby win against Hull KR and were dismantled against one of the top Super League sides and keeps them in sixth spot.

Wigan Warriors (60) Tries: Bevan French x7, Jai Field x2, Liam Marshall, Harry Smith; Goals: Harry Smith 8 **def Hull FC (0)** at **DW Stadium, Fri 15 Jul 8pm; Referee: Rob Hicks; Attendance: 11314 // WIGAN:** Field, French, Isa, Bibby, Marshall; Cust, Smith; Havard, Powell, Byrne, Pearce-Paul, Farrell (C), Smithies. **Int:** Mago, Ellis, Partington, O'Neill. **HULL:** Walker, Simm, Vulikijapani, Griffin, McIntosh; Lovodua, Gale (C); Fash, Houghton, Satae, Longstaff, Lane, Brown. **Int:** Hookem, Taylor, Severs, Laidlaw

Tigers terrific against woeful Wolves in Saturday sun

Castleford Tigers blitzed Warrington Wolves in the first half in their 35-22 win on Saturday afternoon at the Mend-A-Hose Jungle.

The Tigers scored four tries in the first half to build their win and have the hosts lead 23-0 at the break and maintain their spot in the top six.

Hooker Derrel Olpherts crossed twice in the sixth and eleventh minute to get the scoring started for the Tigers with half Danny Richardson converted both.

Richardson got himself involved in a busy first half with a four-pointer himself before he dropped one on the boot for some insurance for the Tigers.

Lock Niall Evalds rounded off the wonderful first half with his try then Jason Qaraqare muscled over after the break to seal the two points for Castleford.

Warrington who were unable to build on their upset win against Catalans did produce a fightback with back-to-back scores from Ben Currie and Matthew Ashton to draw close.

The sin-bin of Cheyse Blair further pumped up the Wolves appetite for a possible comeback. Daryl Clark dived over from close range to help the belief.

Castleford Tigers quelled the comeback with a score from interchange player Alex Sutcliffe to make it 33-16 followed by another goal from Richardson to add two more.

Wolves did add a late consolation try to lock Oliver Holmes on a forgettable afternoon in Castleford for the side fighting for their survival.

Castleford Tigers (35) Tries: Derrel Olpherts x2, Danny Richardson, Niall Evalds, Jason Qaraqare, Alex Sutcliffe; Goals: Danny Richardson 5; Field Goals: Danny Richardson 1 **def Warrington Wolves (22)** Tries: Ben Currie, Matthew Ashton, Daryl Clark, Oliver Holmes; Goals: Stefan Ratchford 3 at **Mend-A-Hose Jungle, Sat 16 Jul 3pm; Referee: Liam Moore; Attendance: 6293 // CASTLEFORD:** Evalds, Olpherts, Fonua, Blair, Faraimo; Eden, Richardson; Griffin, McShane (C), Lawler, Edwards, Mellor, Westerman. **Int:** Sutcliffe, Smith, Matagi, Qaraqare **WARRINGTON:** Ratchford, Thewlis, Mata'utia, Wardle, Ashton; Williams, Dean; Mulhern, Clark, Harrison, Currie, Nicholson, Holmes. **Int:** Clark, Bullock, Wrench, Mikaele

Toulouse tangos to safety against wounded Rhinos

Toulouse Olympique have moved outside the relegation zone with their 20-6 win against Leeds Rhinos on Saturday night in France.

It is now three straight wins on the bounce for Toulouse who have jumped above Wakefield Trinity due to a superior for-and-against headed into the final rounds.

The hosts strode out to a 14-0 lead going into half-time with winger Latrell Schaumkel crossed followed by fellow winger Matty Russell for scores.

Chris Hankinson had a solid night from the boot. He nailed a penalty goal to open the scoring alongside three conversions on a good night for Toulouse.

Leeds Rhino avoided a niling with a consolation score from interchange forward Brad Dwyer with Rhysy Martin converting to make it 14-6.

Hooker Joe Bretherton got the celebrations going for Toulouse in the final minute when crossed the whitewash to stretch the advantage past two scores.

Toulouse Olympique XIII (20) Tries: Latrell Schaumkel, Matthew Russell, Joe Bretherton; Goals: Chris Hankinson 4 **def Leeds Rhinos (6)** Tries: Brad Dwyer; Goals: Rhysy Martin 1 at **Stade Ernest-Wallon, Sat 16 Jul 5pm; Referee: Jack Smith; Attendance: 4230 // TOULOUSE:** Ashall-Bott, Schaumkel, Hankinson, Armitage, Russell; Norman, Gigot (C); Navarrete, Peats, Alvaro, Peyroux, Bretherton, Paulo. **Int:** Albert, Hansen, Sangaré, Belmas **LEEDS:** Myler, Fusitu'a, Simpson, Martin, Handley (C); Tindall, Johnson; Oledzki, O'Connor, Walters, Bentley, Gannon, Smith. **Int:** Dwyer, Thompson, Donaldson, Sinfield

Robins sent Trinity to the danger zone in tight tussle

Hull KR kept their Super League finals hopes alive with a 15-10 win against Wakefield Trinity on Sunday afternoon.

The Robins worked out one wasn't the loneliest number with three tries in minutes ending with the digit while Wakefield's late score occurred in minute 71.

Wakefield was in the relegation spot after Toulouse's win on Saturday night. The visitors got off the perfect start when fullback Max Jowitt dived over for a 4-0 lead.

Neither side were able to trouble the scorers for the rest of the first half but Hull KR did level when Jimmy Keinhorst crossed only 60 seconds after the restart for 4-4.

Ethan Ryan and star fullback Lachlan Coote both found their way to the try line in the second half to extend the Robins lead to 14-4.

The aptly named Will Dagger plunged the final blow into Wakefield's hope with his drop goal with ten minutes to go which gave Hull KR an eleven-point lead.

Trinity winger Lewis Murphy did pull one back moments later which gave the final nine minutes some spice but the visitors are now well in a relegation dogfight.

Hull Kingston Rovers (15) Tries: Jimmy Keinhorst, Ethan Ryan, Lachlan Coote; Goals: Lachlan Coote 1; Field Goals: Will Dagger 1 **def Wakefield Trinity (10)** Tries: Max Jowitt, Lewis Murphy; Goals: Mason Lino 1 at **Sewell Group Craven Park, Sun 17 Jul 3pm; Referee: Marcus Griffiths; Attendance: 7029 // ROVERS:** Coote, Ryan, Wood, Kenny-Dowall (C), Hall; Dagger, Lewis; Sims, Parcell, King, Hadley, Keinhorst, Minchella. **Int:** Litten, Maher, Fishwick, Royle **TRINITY:** Jowitt, Murphy, Croft, Hall, Taufua; Miller (C), Lino; Whitbread, Hood, Arona, Ashurst, Pitts, Batchelor. **Int:** Tanginoa, Bowes, Fifita, Bowden

Red Devils shock cowed Catalans to boost top six hopes

Salford Red Devils have upset Catalans Dragons 32-6 in a major boost to their chances of making the Super League finals on Sunday afternoon.

That marks back-to-back losses for last year's Grand Finalists while Salford Red Devils pull within two points of Hull FC in sixth place.

The Dragons scored their only points of the game in the first 10 minutes. Forward Joe Chan crossed from close range before Sam Tomkins made it 6-0.

Ken Sio responded with a pair of scores for Salford to give the hosts a slender 12-6 lead headed into the break and on course for an upset.

Australian halfback Brodie Croft sliced through the defence for another score followed by Sio completing his hat-trick in a one-sided affair on Sunday.

Sneyd booted six goals across the 80 minutes that helped to keep the Red Devils ticking the scoreboard over against a downbeat Dragons side.

Jack Ormanroyd rounded off the scoring in a superb afternoon for the Red Devils which made it 32-6 and moved them within striking distance of Hull FC.

Catalans Dragons are battling a huge injury toll currently and have held onto fourth spot currently with a four-point break to fifth place Castleford Tigers.

Salford Red Devils (32) Tries: Ken Sio 3, Brodie Croft, Jack Ormanroyd; Goals: Marc Sneyd 4 **def Catalans Dragons (6)** Tries: Joe Chan; Goals: Sam Tomkins 1 at **AJ Bell Stadium, Sun 17 Jul 3pm; Referee: Ben Thaler; Attendance: 2607 // SALFORD:** Brierley, Sio, Cross, Lafai, Burgess; Croft, Sneyd; Ormanroyd, Ackers, Lannon, Watkins, Taylor (C), Gerrard. **Int:** Addy, Atkin, Luckley, Hellewell **CATALANS:** Tomkins (C), Laguerre, Langi, Whare, Yaha; Pearce, Drinkwater; Goudehand, Da Costa, Bousquet, Whitley, Jullien, Séguier. **Int:** May, Le Cam, Chan, Kasiano

SUPER LEAGUE LADDER AFTER ROUND 19

Pos	Team	P	W	L	D	F	A	+/-	Pts
1	St Helens	19	16	3	0	467	208	259	32
2	Wigan	19	14	5	0	558	343	215	28
3	Huddersfield	19	12	6	1	427	335	92	25
4	Catalans	19	12	7	0	392	305	87	24
5	Castleford	19	10	9	0	415	424	-9	20
6	Hull FC	19	9	10	0	360	439	-79	18
7	Salford	19	8	11	0	447	455	-8	16
8	Hull KR	19	8	11	0	330	408	-78	16
9	Leeds	19	7	11	1	363	378	-15	15
10	Warrington	19	7	12	0	382	457	-75	14
11	Toulouse	19	5	14	0	322	487	-165	10
12	Wakefield	19	5	14	0	315	539	-224	10

ROUND 20 FIXTURES ALL TIMES BST (UK)

THURSDAY 21 JULY

8PM (SKY) LEEDS v WIGAN HEADINGLEY

FRIDAY 22 JULY

8PM (SKY) HULL FC v CASTLEFORD MKM STADIUM
WARRINGTON v HULL KR HALLIWELL JONES

SATURDAY 23 JULY

6PM CATALANS v HUDDERSFIELD GILBERT BRUTUS
7PM TOULOUSE v SALFORD ERNEST WALLON

SUNDAY 24 JULY

3PM WAKEFIELD v ST HELENS BE WELL SUPPORT

FORWARD BROADCASTING CONFIRMED

Super League can confirm the broadcast selections for Betfred Super League Rounds 21 and 22

Round 21 will kick-off on Thursday 28 July when Wigan Warriors host Hull KR (8pm KO) live on Sky Sports before attentions turn to Wheldon Road on Friday 29 July when Sky Sports broadcast a local rivalry as Castleford Tigers face Wakefield Trinity.

The following week, in Round 22, will see Toulouse travel to Hull KR (Thursday 4 August, 8pm KO) whilst the Warrington Wolves travel to the DW Stadium to face Wigan Warriors (Friday 5 August, 8pm KO).

On Sunday 7 August Super League returns to free-to-air broadcasting as the Channel 4 cameras visit St Helens for the first time when they'll broadcast St Helens v Castleford Tigers (1pm KO).

CHAMPIONSHIP

ROUND 19 RESULTS

London Broncos (30) Tries: Iliess Macani, Jordan Williams, Paul Ulberg, Samuel Hall, Sitiveni Moceidreke; Goals: Oliver Leyland 5 **def Bradford Bulls (12)** Tries: Elliott Kear, George Flanagan Jr; Goals: Dec Patton 2 at **Odsal Stadium, Sat 16 Jul 6pm; Referee: Nick Bennett; Attendance: 2762 // BRADFORD:** Flanagan Jr, Dawson-Jones, Evans, Gill, Kear; Patton, Lilley; Evans, Doyle, Crossley, Murphy, Butler, Hallas. **Int:** Walker, Flanagan, Baldwinson, England **LONDON:** Walker, Ulberg, Moceidreke, Grant, Macani; Parata, Leyland; Albert, Davis, Hall, Lovell, Curran, Palumbo. **Int:** Foster, Williams, Oakley, Tuliatu

Barrow Raiders (36) Tries: Tee Ritson 2, Jarrad Stack, Ryan Johnson, Ellis Gillam, Shane Toal; Goals: Ryan Shaw 6 **def Sheffield Eagles (32)** Tries: Matty Chrimes, Ben Jones-Bishop 2, Cory Aston 2, Joel Farrell; Goals: Josh Guzdek 4 at **Olympic Legacy Park Community Stadium, Sun 17 Jul 2pm; Referee: James Vella; Attendance: 621 // SHEFFIELD:** Lulu-Togaga'e, Jones-Bishop, Welham, Guzdek, Chrimes; Holmes, Aston; Kirk, Halafihi, Dickinson, Bower, Farrell, Hodgson. **Int:** Douglas, Wood, Broadbent, Williams **BARROW:** Cresswell, Ritson, Shaw, Miloudi, Toal; Sammut, Johnson; Gillam, Wood, Forster, Langtree, Stack, Iaria. **Int:** Mossop, Hopkins, Emslie, Brooks

Leigh Centurions (60) Tries: Krisnan Inu, Kai O'Donnell, Caleb Aekins, Sam Stone, James McDonnell, Nene MacDonald, Josh Charnley, Joe Mellor, Ben Reynolds 2, Edwin Ipape; Goals: Krisnan Inu 5, Ben Reynolds 3 **def Dewsbury Rams (6)** Tries: Reiss Butterworth; Goals: Paul Sykes 1 at **Tetley's Stadium, Sun 17 Jul 3pm; Referee: Tom Grant; Attendance: 1149 // DEWSBURY:** Sweeting, Blackmore, Graham, Greensmith, Carr, Sykes, Gill; Blagbrough, Butterworth, Kirby, Tomlinson, Knowles, Mathiou. **Int:** Kidd, Morris, Walker, Beckett **LEIGH:** Aekins, Charnley, Chamberlain, Macdonald, Inu; Reynolds, Mellor; Nakubuawai, Ipape, Amone, Wardle, Stone, O'Donnell. **Int:** Smith, Bell, McDonnell, Ioane

Halifax Panthers (58) Tries: Joe Keyes 4, Matty Garside, Ed Barber, Joe Arundel 2, Jacob Fairbank, James Saltonstall; Goals: Joe Keyes 9 **def Workington Town (10)** Tries: Conor Fitzsimmons, Alex Clegg; Goals: Oscar Thomas 1 at **The Shay Stadium, Sun 17 Jul 3pm; Referee: Mike Small; Attendance: 1469 // HALIFAX:** Woodburn-Hall, Walmsley, McComb, Arundel, Saltonstall; Jouffret, Keyes; Calcott, Moore, Mason, Barber, Garside, Gee. **Int:** Fairbank, Wood, Rogers, Larroyer **WORKINGTON:** Thomas, Clegg, Brown, Teare, Young; Henson, Walker; Bibby, Simons, Thomson, Fitzsimmons, Barnes, Doran. **Int:** Davies, O'Brien, Scholey, Hutchings

Featherstone Rovers (46) Tries: Morgan Smith 2, Luke Briscoe, Joseph Leilua, Brett Ferres, Josh Hardcastle, Jack Broadbent, Matty Wildie; Goals: Craig Hall 7 **def Whitehaven RLFC (24)** Tries: Will Evans, Perry Singleton, Dion Aiye 2; Goals: Nikau Williams 4 at **LEL Arena, Sun 17 Jul 3pm; Referee: Liam Rush // WHITEHAVEN:** Broadbent, Eccleston, Walker, Evans, Martin; Aiye, Williams, Graham, Olstrom, Walker, King, Holliday, Singleton. **Int:** Cooper, Dawson, Bradley, Davies **FEATHERSTONE:** Broadbent, Briscoe, Leilua, Hall, Lineham; Smith, Jacks; Sene-Lefao, Wildie, Lockwood, Bussey, Ferres, Cooper. **Int:** Jones, Hardcastle, Springer, Eseh

Widnes Vikings (33) Tries: Adam Lawton, Oliver Davies, Matty Fleming 2, Ryan Ince; Goals: Ste Tyrer 6; Field Goals: Matty Fleming 1 **def Newcastle Thunder (26)** Tries: Sam Halsall 2, Jack Johnson, Bradley Day, Gideon Boaf; Goals: Craig Mullen 3 at **DCBL Stadium Halton, Sun 17 Jul 3pm; Referee: Aaron Moore // WIDNES:** Fleming, Dixon, Roberts, Tyrer, Ince; Craven, Smith; Farnworth, Hulme, Lawton, Wilde, Davies, Bent. **Int:** Lyons, Edge, Tilleke, Baker **NEWCASTLE:** Hanley, Johnson, Nokes, Halsall, Boaf; Mullen, Woods; Chapelhow, Eaves, Chapelhow, Foster, Day, Roberts. **Int:** Forber, Gallagher, Clark, Ta'ai

Batley Bulldogs (32) Tries: Luke Hooley 2, Johnny Campbell, Dane Manning, Lucas Walshaw; Goals: Tom Gilmore 5 **def York City Knights (16)** Tries: Liam Harris, AJ Towse, Danny Kirmond; Goals: Liam Harris 2 at **LNER Community Stadium, York, Mon 18 Jul 7:45pm; Referee: James Child // YORK:** Harrison, Brown, Glover, Edwards, Towse, O'Hagan, Harris, Matongo, Jubb, Teanby, Kirmond, Clarkson, Pauli. **Int:** Inman, Thompson, Antrobus, Stock **BATLEY:** Hooley, Morton, Hodson, Buchanan, Campbell, White, Gilmore, Brown, Kaye, Reilly, Manning, Walshaw, Flynn. **Int:** Meadows, Leek, Ward, Blake

LADDER AFTER ROUND 19

Pos	Team	P	W	L	D	F	A	+/-	Pts
1	Keigh	18	17	1	0	760	142	618	34
2	Featherstone	18	15	2	1	722	272	450	31
3	Halifax	18	13	5	0	545	288	257	26
4	Batley	17	12	3	2	478	293	185	26
5	York	18	13	5	0	452	344	108	26
6	Barrow	18	11	6	1	447	371	76	23
7	Bradford	18	9	9	0	389	446	-57	18
8	Widnes	18	8	10	0	395	453	-58	16
9	Sheffield	17	7	10	0	387	424	-37	14
10	Newcastle	18	7	11	0	429	521	-92	14
11	Whitehaven	18	4	13	1	274	616	-342	9
12	London	18	3	14	1	310	520	-210	7
13	Dewsbury	18	2	16	0	239	610	-371	4
14	Workington	18	1	17	0	188	715	-527	2

ROUND 20 FIXTURES ALL TIMES BST (UK)

SATURDAY 23 JULY

3PM NEWCASTLE v DEWSBURY KINGSTON PARK

SUNDAY 24 JULY

3PM FEATHERSTONE v YORK MILLENNIUM
SHEFFIELD v WORKINGTON OLYMPIC LEGACY PARK
BARROW v BRADFORD MATT JOHNSON PRESTIGE
BATLEY v WIDNES FOX'S BISCUITS
LONDON v HALIFAX CHERRY RED RECORDS
(PREM) WHITEHAVEN v LEIGH LEL ARENA

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PENRITH PANTHERS 26 18 ROOSTERS

Full Time **80:00**

7:55pm Fri July 1, 2022
Round 16 - BlueBet Stadium, Penrith - Crowd: 16725
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PRE-MATCH TEAMS PLAY BY PLAY SCORERS WRAP UP

80 It is Fulltime and it's Penrith who have overcome a determined Roosters outfit by 26-18 to send them six points clear at the top of the NRL Ladder. Stay tuned for the 3.2.1's and Match Report @LeagueUnlimited!

76 Penalty Penrith - Against Nat Butcher for passing off the ground. Penrith find the line just short of halfway.

74 Nathan Cleary knocks on a kick and the Roosters with a faint chance here, just 10m out.

73 **Conversion: Panthers** Kicked by Nathan Cleary. Nathan Cleary converts and they extend the lead now. **Penriths lead 26 - 18**

72 **Try: Panthers** Scored by Apisai Koroisau. Kick to come. Apisai Koroisau jumps out of dummy half close to the line, catching the markers napping to score. **Penriths lead 24 - 18**

71 Jarome Luai with a deft grubber on the last and Sam Walker manages to ground the ball. Dropout Roosters.

67 **Conversion: Panthers** Kicked by Nathan Cleary. Nathan Cleary converts to give his side the lead. **Penriths lead 20 - 18**

65 **Try: Panthers** Scored by Izack Tago. Kick to come. Nathan Cleary delivers a clutch ball on the last tackle to hit an unmarked Izack Tago to score and tie up the score. **Tied up at 18 - 18**

Referees & scorers:

Referee: Gerard Sutton

Touch Judges: Wyatt Raymond, Kasey Badger

Video Referee: Ashley Klein

PENRITH PANTHERS (26)
Tries: Brian To'o, Wilame Kikau, Izack Tago, Apisai Koroisau
Conversions: Nathan Cleary (4/4)
Penalty Goals: Nathan Cleary (1/1)

SYDNEY ROOSTERS (18)
Tries: Sam Walker, Siosua Taukelaho, Sam Verrills
Conversions: Sam Walker (3/3)

THE PROGRAMME

NRL ROUND 19 GAME DAY COMPANION
TEAM LISTS • MATCH DETAILS & STATS • PREVIEWS

THURSDAY 21 JULY 2022



PARRAMATTA EELS
v **BRISBANE BRONCOS**
COMMBANK STADIUM, 7:50PM



FRIDAY 22 JULY 2022



ST GEORGE ILLAWARRA DRAGONS
v **MANLY-WARRINGAH SEA EAGLES**
NETSTRATA JUBILEE STADIUM, 6:00PM



NEWCASTLE KNIGHTS
v **SYDNEY ROOSTERS**
McDONALD JONES STADIUM, 7:55PM



SATURDAY 23 JULY 2022



CANBERRA RAIDERS
v **WARRIORS**
GIO STADIUM CANBERRA, 3:00PM



PENRITH PANTHERS v
CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND SHARKS
BLUEBET STADIUM, 5:30PM



SOUTH SYDNEY RABBITOHS
v **MELBOURNE STORM**
ACCOR STADIUM, 7:35PM



SUNDAY 24 JULY 2022



CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN BULLDOGS
v **GOLD COAST TITANS**
COMMBANK STADIUM, 2:00PM



NORTH QUEENSLAND COWBOYS
v **WESTS TIGERS**
QUEENSLAND COUNTRY BANK STADIUM, 4:05PM



MATCH REVIEW & JUDICIARY NRL ROUND 18

Player	Club	Grade	Charge	Base	2022 Offence	Guilty	Early plea	Plea	Result
Jordan RAPANA	Canberra	1	Shoulder Charge	\$2000	2nd	2 matches	\$3000	Guilty - early plea	\$3000
Jordan RAPANA	Canberra	2	Careless High Tackle	2 matches	2nd	3 matches	2 matches	Guilty - early plea	2 matches
Mitch KENNY	Penrith	1	Dangerous Contact	\$1500	1st [^]	\$1000	\$750	Guilty - early plea	\$750
Nelson ASOFA-SOLOMONA	Melbourne	1	Careless High Tackle	\$1500	2nd	\$2500	\$1800	Guilty - early plea	\$1800
Ray FAITALA-MARINER	Canterbury	1	Dangerous Contact	\$1500	1st	\$1500	\$1000	Guilty - early plea	\$1000
Jason TAUMALOLO	North Qld	1	Shoulder Charge	\$2000	1st	\$2000	\$1500	Guilty - early plea	\$1500

[^] denotes 7-year incident free discount

NRL 2022 LADDER & STATS

AFTER ROUND 18

PREMIERSHIP LADDER

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		
1.	Penrith Panthers	9	8	1	-	266	114	+152	8	8	-	-	234	78	+156	17	16	1	-	500	192	34	+308		
2.	North Queensland Cowboys	9	6	3	-	219	130	+89	8	6	2	-	211	119	+92	17	12	5	-	430	249	26	+181		
3.	Cronulla-Sutherland Sharks	9	7	2	-	201	134	+67	8	5	3	-	187	138	+49	17	12	5	-	388	272	26	+116		
4.	Melbourne Storm	10	7	3	-	311	156	+155	7	4	3	-	174	152	+22	17	11	6	-	485	308	24	+177		
5.	Brisbane Broncos	8	6	2	-	184	147	+37	9	5	4	-	202	178	+24	17	11	6	-	386	325	24	+61		
6.	Parramatta Eels	7	5	2	-	180	152	+28	10	6	4	-	227	219	+8	17	11	6	-	407	371	24	+36		
7.	South Sydney Rabbitohs	8	6	2	-	226	160	+66	9	4	5	-	202	209	-7	17	10	7	-	428	369	22	+59		
8.	Manly-Warringah Sea Eagles	9	7	2	-	248	178	+70	8	2	6	-	150	188	-38	17	9	8	-	398	366	20	+32		
9.	Sydney Roosters	8	5	3	-	213	170	+43	9	3	6	-	178	172	+6	17	8	9	-	391	342	18	+49		
10.	Canberra Raider	8	5	3	-	152	155	-3	9	3	6	-	148	182	-34	17	8	9	-	300	337	18	-37		
11.	St George Illawarra Dragons	8	6	2	-	143	130	+13	9	2	7	-	166	291	-125	17	8	9	-	309	421	18	-112		
12.	Warriors	9	4	5	-	172	214	-42	8	1	7	-	116	249	-133	17	5	12	-	288	463	12	-175		
13.	Newcastle Knights	8	2	6	-	120	253	-133	9	3	6	-	142	203	-61	17	5	12	-	262	456	12	-194		
14.	Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs	9	3	6	-	172	180	-8	8	1	7	-	92	211	-119	17	4	13	-	264	391	10	-127		
15.	Gold Coast Titans	9	3	6	-	124	187	-63	8	-	8	-	134	247	-113	17	3	14	-	258	434	8	-176		
16.	Wests Tigers	8	2	6	-	139	198	-59	9	1	8	-	95	234	-139	17	3	14	-	234	432	8	-198		

Note: all teams have been awarded 2 competition points for one bye.

TOP TRYSCORERS

Rank	Player	Team	P	T
1	Alex JOHNSTON	South Sydney	16	19
2	Taylan MAY	Penrith	15	14
	Corey OATES	Brisbane	15	14
	Ryan PAPENHUYZEN	Melbourne	12	14
	Sione KATO	Cronulla	16	14
6	Selwyn COBBO	Brisbane	14	12
	Ronaldo MULITALO	Cronulla	15	12
	Jeremiah NANAI	North Qld	14	12

TOP POINTSCORERS

Rank	Player	Team	P	T	G	FG	Pts
1	Valentine HOLMES	North Queensland Cowboys	15	6	62	1	149
2	Ryan PAPENHUYZEN	Melbourne Storm	12	14	41	1	139
3	Reuben GARRICK	Manly-Warringah Sea Eagles	17	11	47	-	138
4	Mitchell MOSES	Parramatta Eels	17	5	57	1	135
5	Sam WALKER	Sydney Roosters	17	6	52	1	129
6	Nathan CLEARY	Penrith Panthers	12	2	57	-	122
7	Zac LOMAX	St George Illawarra Dragons	17	5	47	1	115
8	Nicho HYNES	Cronulla-Sutherland Sharks	16	3	48	3	111
9	Adam REYNOLDS	Brisbane Broncos	13	5	43	-	106
10	Nick MEANEY	Melbourne Storm	16	9	27	-	90
11	Matt BURTON	Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs	17	3	33	-	78
	Reece WALSH	Warriors	15	1	37	-	78
13	Alex JOHNSTON	South Sydney Rabbitohs	16	19	-	-	76
14	Blake TAAFFE	South Sydney Rabbitohs	9	2	30	-	68
15	Stephen CRICHTON	Penrith Panthers	15	9	15	-	66
16	Taylan MAY	Penrith Panthers	15	14	-	-	56
	Corey OATES	Brisbane Broncos	15	14	-	-	56
	Sione KATO	Cronulla-Sutherland Sharks	16	14	-	-	56
	Latrell MITCHELL	South Sydney Rabbitohs	7	3	21	1+	56

+ denotes 2 point field goal

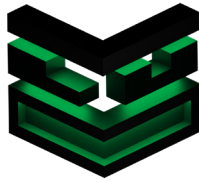
TOP GOALKICKERS

Rank	Player	Team	P	G	Att	%
1	Valentine HOLMES	North Qld	15	62	75	83%
2	Nathan CLEARY	Penrith	12	57	67	85%
	Mitchell MOSES	Parramatta	17	57	73	78%
4	Sam WALKER	Sydney	17	52	68	76%
5	Nicho HYNES	Cronulla	16	48	72	67%
6	Zac LOMAX	St Geo Illa	17	47	60	78%
	Reuben GARRICK	Manly	17	47	63	75%
8	Adam REYNOLDS	Brisbane	13	43	52	83%
9	Ryan PAPENHUYZEN	Melbourne	12	41	51	80%
10	Reece WALSH	Warriors	15	37	46	80%

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**PARRAMATTA
EELS**



**BRISBANE
BRONCOS**

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts		
27	17	10	4	-	48	Clinton GUTHERSON	1
28	5	3	-	-	12	Maika SIVO	2
19	17	4	-	-	16	Will PENISINI	3
27	11	6	-	-	24	Waqā BLAKE	4
24	17	3	-	-	12	Bailey SIMONSSON	5
22	17	7	-	-	28	Dylan BROWN	6
27	17	5	57	1	135	Mitchell MOSES	7
28	17	1	-	-	4	Reagan CAMPBELL-GILLARD	8
24	17	6	-	-	24	Reed MAHONEY	9
28	15	-	-	-	-	Junior PAULO	10
27	15	2	-	-	8	Shaun LANE	11
23	17	8	-	-	32	Isaiah PAPALI'I	12
27	12	3	-	-	12	Ryan MATTERSON	13
29	17	-	-	-	-	Makahesi MAKATOĀ	14
19	5	-	-	-	-	Jakob ARTHUR	15
22	17	-	-	-	-	Oregon KAUFUSI	16
25	8	1	-	-	4	Marata NIUKORE	17
23	4	-	-	-	-	Ky RODWELL	18
26	-	-	-	-	-	Ofahiki OGDEN	19
27	5	-	-	-	-	Bryce CARTWRIGHT	20
27	11	2	-	-	8	Tom OPACIC	21
20	1	3	-	-	12	Sean RUSSELL	22
						Brad ARTHUR	

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INTERCHANGE

RESERVES

COACH

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts		
20	7	2	-	-	8	Tesi NIU	1
27	15	14	-	-	56	Corey OATES	2
23	16	5	14	-	48	Kotoni STAGGS	3
26	6	-	-	-	-	Brenko LEE	4
29	3	2	-	-	8	Jordan PEREIRA	5
-	7	4	-	-	16	Ezra MAM	6
32	13	5	43	-	106	Adam REYNOLDS	7
28	12	-	-	-	-	Corey JENSEN	8
25	9	-	-	-	-	Jake TURPIN	9
22	13	-	-	-	-	Payne HAAS	10
29	12	2	-	1	9	Kurt CAPEWELL	11
22	16	2	-	-	8	Jordan RIKI	12
24	11	-	-	-	-	Patrick CARRIGAN	13
22	10	1	-	-	4	Cory PAIX	14
23	16	-	-	-	-	Kobe HETHERINGTON	15
22	11	-	-	-	-	Thomas FLEGLER	16
25	17	-	-	-	-	Keenan PALASIA	17
-	-	-	-	-	-	Deine MARINER	18
25	2	-	-	-	-	Zac HOSKING	19
27	7	1	-	-	4	Rhys KENNEDY	20
28	3	3	-	-	12	Delouise HOETER	21
26	9	1	-	-	4	Te Maire MARTIN	22
						Kevin WALTERS	

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#NRLEELSBRONCOS

MATCH DETAILS

DATE	THURSDAY 21 JULY 2022
KICKOFF	7:50PM AEST
VENUE	COMMBANK STADIUM PARRAMATTA NSW / BURRAMATTAGAL
WATCH	NINE NETWORK & 9 NOW FOX LEAGUE & KAYO
LISTEN LIVE BLOG	ABC SPORT, CHECK GUIDES FOR OTHERS LEAGUEUNLIMITED.COM

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE	GERARD SUTTON
TOUCH JUDGES	DARIAN FURNER DREW OULTRAM
NRL BUNKER	CHRIS BUTLER

HEAD TO HEAD

ALL 61	PARRAMATTA 27 // BRISBANE 33 // DRAW 1
COMMBANK 3	PARRAMATTA 3 // BRISBANE 0



LAST FIVE MEETINGS

2019	EF	PARRAMATTA 58-0	BANKWEST, 29372
2020	R3	PARRAMATTA 34-6	SUNCORP, NONE
2020	R19	PARRAMATTA 26-12	BANKWEST, 6318
2021	R1	PARRAMATTA 24-16	SUNCORP, 28313
2021	R7	PARRAMATTA 46-6	TIO, 12056

BIGGEST WINS

1995	R13	BRISBANE 60-14	PIRTEK STADIUM, 9058
2019	EF	PARRAMATTA 58-0	BANKWEST, 29372

NOTABLES

R. CAMPBELL-GILLARD	PAR	TURNS 29 ON JULY 27
MITCHELL MOSES	PAR	HAS 348 NRL GOALS
RYAN JAMES	BRI	TURNS 31 ON JULY 20

MATCH STATS COURTESY OF

RUGBY LEAGUE project

NEXT FIVE: EELS

R20	PENRITH	H	29 JUL
R21	MANLY	A	5 AUG
R22	SOUTHS	H	12 AUG
R23	C'BURY	H	20 AUG
R24	BRISBANE	A	25 AUG

NEXT FIVE: BRONCOS

R20	W.TIGERS	H	30 JUL
R21	SYDNEY	A	4 AUG
R22	NEW.C.	H	13 AUG
R23	MELB.	H	19 AUG
R24	PARRA.	H	25 AUG

THE PREVIEW

with Adam Huxtable

Eels Look For Rare 3rd Win In A Row in High Stakes Matchup With In-Form Broncos

Neither the Eels nor the Broncos should need any help getting properly motivated for this game. With the Storm on a three-game losing streak, the winner here will be in the top-four outright for at least a day, and could stay there pending the result of the Storm v Souths game on Saturday.

It marks the start of a crucial leg of the year for the Eels. In recent seasons, they've gained the unwanted (but warranted) reputation of fading in the later rounds, and with six out of their last seven opponents currently sitting in the top eight, the time is now for Parramatta to sink or swim.

The Broncos have a slightly easier run home, facing four current bottom eight teams, and with the way they've been playing recently with a depleted roster, you wouldn't expect lower teams like the Dragons, Knights and Tigers to trouble them much, especially at full strength.

The crucial matches for the Eels and Broncos come against each other (twice, including this game) and a home game against the Storm. If either side can win all three of those, they'd be in the box seat to land a top-four berth for the first time since 2017.

Considering, then, the importance of this game, you'd think the Eels would have no trouble getting up for it. However, they have only won 3 in a row once so far in 2022, and that was way back in Rounds 3-5, which is odd for a team on the brink of the top four.

The Broncos, in comparison, have made winning consistently a habit, going on a 7-game streak at the peak of their powers around mid-season. They, like Parramatta, have won their last two games against inferior opposition, and have done so with a bits and pieces side.

With this in mind, you'd think the Broncos would be in the box seat for this one with how much better they are at backing up their victories. However, the Eels are at home, and that is a huge advantage for them, going 5-1 in games at CommBank Stadium so far in 2022.

If it seems odd that they've only played 6 games there so far in 2022, that's because it is. As a result, 5 of their last 7 games are at the fortress out West, something which massively aids their pursuit of a top four spot.

In team news, Ryan Matterson has been named to play his first game since Round 15, starting at lock for Marata Niukore, who moves to the bench, resulting in Ky Rodwell dropping out of the 17.

For the Broncos, their origin cavalry is back among other regular starters, with Corey Oates, Payne Haas, Corey Jensen, Kurt Capewell and Pat Carrigan assuming their usual positions. Billy Walters is injured, so Jake Turpin will start at hooker with Cory Paix covering him on the bench.

WHO TO WATCH: After a shaky few return matches, Maiko Sivo returned to form against the Warriors, the Fijian Flyer reminding Rugby League fans that he is the complete package on the wing. At his best, he is a genuine game winner, and has proven as much by doing just that in the past, Round 2 against the Storm last year coming to mind where he leapt over George Jennings to catch the ball and score the winning try. His efforts last week were equally impressive, taking an intercept and showing superb awareness to draw the chasers and then pass to Waqa Blake, who scored. He was then involved in another long rang try off a kick return, outpacing the Warriors cover defence to score his 3rd try of the year. All up, he finished with the stats of 8 runs for 183 metres, a line break, a try assist, 3 tackle breaks and a try. Look for him to continue making an impact during the Eels' run home.

It's safe to say that Patrick Carrigan is the most improved player in the NRL. Fresh off winning a deserved man of the series award in origin, Carrigan will no doubt continue making the impact he's made all season for the Broncos. In the origin decider, he made 130 running metres, 2 tackle breaks, 3 offloads and, perhaps most impressive of all, 47 tackles with only 3 misses, all while only playing for 67 minutes. What's also helped Carrigan make the leap this year has been the development of his ball playing, which has added another dimension to the Broncos' attack, allowing for halfback Adam Reynolds to have much more room when organising/creating things for his side. His improvement has also helped the Broncos forward pack not be a one man band, with Payne Haas not having to do everything for his team to have a shot at winning the battle of the middle.

FAVOURITE: The Eels are 3.5 point favourites at the time of writing.

MY TIP: This obviously has potential to be the game of the round, and with both sides so evenly matched it's hard to say with any confidence who's going to win. I'll go with the Eels purely because they're at home. Eels by 6.

ST GEORGE ILLAWARRA DRAGONS



MANLY-WARRINGAH SEA EAGLES

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts		
22	10	5	-	-	20	Cody RAMSEY	1
21	13	5	-	-	20	Mathew FEAGAI	2
28	17	2	-	-	8	Moses MBYE	3
22	17	5	47	1	115	Zac LOMAX	4
28	3	1	-	-	4	Tautau MOGA	5
20	17	1	-	-	4	Talatau AMONE	6
32	16	4	-	-	16	Ben HUNT	7
31	17	3	-	-	12	Jack de BELIN	8
32	14	2	-	-	8	Andrew McCULLOUGH	9
25	17	1	-	-	4	Blake LAWRIE	10
23	1	-	-	-	-	Billy BURNS	11
24	11	4	-	-	16	Jaydn SU'A	12
27	16	4	1	-	18	Jack BIRD	13
20	5	1	-	-	4	Jayden SULLIVAN	14
32	14	1	-	-	4	Tariq SIMS	15
27	17	1	-	-	4	Francis MOLO	16
32	7	-	-	-	-	Josh McGUIRE	17
31	13	-	-	-	-	Aaron WOODS	18
25	5	1	-	-	4	Michael MOLO	19
20	4	1	-	-	4	Tyrell SLOAN	20
23	1	-	-	-	-	Jaiyden HUNT	21
21	-	-	-	-	-	Max FEAGAI	22
Anthony GRIFFIN							

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- SECOND ROW
- SECOND ROW
- LOCK

INTERCHANGE

RESERVES

COACH

	Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts
1	25	17	11	47	-	138
2	21	13	6	-	-	24
3	23	14	4	-	-	16
4	19	14	4	-	-	16
5	21	13	9	-	-	36
6	31	17	2	-	-	8
7	33	15	3	11	2	36
8	24	16	-	-	-	-
9	25	17	4	-	-	16
10	26	11	3	-	-	12
11	23	15	9	-	-	36
12	30	14	2	-	-	8
13	27	13	1	-	-	4
14	27	16	-	-	-	-
15	21	8	1	-	-	4
16	32	14	1	-	-	4
17	24	8	2	-	-	8
18	20	4	2	-	-	8
19	26	2	-	-	-	-
20	22	7	1	-	-	4
21	20	-	-	-	-	-
22	21	-	-	-	-	-
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MATCH DETAILS

DATE	FRIDAY 22 JULY 2022
KICKOFF	6:00PM AEST
VENUE	NETSTRATA JUBILEE STADIUM CARLTON NSW / BIDJIGAL
WATCH	FOX LEAGUE & KAYO
LISTEN	ABC SPORT, CHECK GUIDES FOR OTHERS
LIVE BLOG	LEAGUEUNLIMITED.COM

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE	ADAM GEE
TOUCH JUDGES	LIAM KENNEDY JON STONE
NRL BUNKER	ASHLEY KLEIN

HEAD TO HEAD

ALL 32	ST GEO ILLA 21 // MANLY 11
NETSTRATA 8	ST GEO ILLA 6 // MANLY 2

LAST FIVE MEETINGS

2019	R6	ST GEO ILLA 12-10	WIN STADIUM, 14268
2019	R14	MANLY 34-14	LOTTOLAND, 8468
2020	R9	ST GEO ILLA 34-4	NETSTRATA, 1571
2021	R3	ST GEO ILLA 38-12	WIN STADIUM, 9253
2021	R18	MANLY 32-18	CBUS, 15038

BIGGEST WINS

2008	SF	MANLY 38-6	BROOKVALE, 19227
2009	R18	ST GEO ILLA 48-18	WIN STADIUM, 16792
2017	R20	ST GEO ILLA 52-22	WIN STADIUM, 16883
2020	R9	ST GEO ILLA 34-4	NETSTRATA, 1571

NOTABLES

JAIYDEN HUNT	SGI	TURNS 24 ON JULY 20
TOAFOFOA SIPLEY	MAN	50TH NRL MATCH
MARTIN TAUPAU	MAN	150TH CLUB MATCH
D. CHERRY-EVANS	MAN	147 NRL/CLUB GOALS

MATCH STATS COURTESY OF



NEXT FIVE: DRAGONS

R20	NTH QLD	H	31 JUL
R21	CRON.	A	6 AUG
R22	CANB.	A	14 AUG
R23	G. COAST	H	21 AUG
R24	W.TIGERS	A	28 AUG



NEXT FIVE: SEA EAGLES

R20	SYDNEY	H	28 JUL
R21	PARRA.	H	5 AUG
R22	G. COAST	A	14 AUG
R23	CRON.	H	20 AUG
R24	CANB.	A	27 AUG

THE PREVIEW

with Tim Costello

Last chance saloon for the Red V?

After two months, the Dragons return to their spiritual Kogarah home ground and it's a tricky one.

After a poor showing over the last fortnight which has seen them slide to 11th after spending parts of the Origin period in the top eight, home fans on Friday night will be hoping for a change in form to help their finals chances.

The biggest concern for St George Illawarra when they take to the Jubilee Oval turf will be defence. After a low-scoring slog in the rain against the Raiders in Round 16, they've since conceded scores of 32 and 54 against Brisbane and the Roosters, and if they give Manly too much of a sniff, the boys from Brookie will have little trouble in tearing them apart.

The Sea Eagles will don 1996 commemorative jerseys in Friday night's clash - a tribute to the premiership side of that year who defeated St George at the SFS on Grand Final Day. A replica result would no doubt please the visitors, who come into the contest having lost just one match from their last five and now find themselves inside the top eight.

In that run of wins, Manly has managed to score points for fun as well. Topping 40 twice - against the Warriors and Knights - their lowest score since the start of June was 26 against the Cowboys, a match they lost by two points.

They've also had the advantage of a home crowd across four of those five games - without such support this week, the question remains how they might perform.

There is mixed news on both sides of the teamlists. Tariq Sims is back for the hosts after picking up a suspension a fortnight ago which kept him out of the side's loss to the Roosters last Saturday. Moses Suli is out with an ankle injury, which sees Mbye move into the centres and Jayden Sullivan earn a recall on the bench. Aaron Woods is the player to make way.

Manly are without representative lock Jake Trbojevic, who has been struck down by COVID-19. In his place, Toff Sipleby moves to lock and Taniela Paseka joins the bench.

WHO TO WATCH: It goes without saying but Queensland teammates Ben Hunt and Daly Cherry-Evans will be decisive factors in the outcome of this match.

After a his match-winning heroics for the Maroons in Game III, Hunt's performance at Gosford last Saturday was admirable but ultimately he couldn't guide the Red V to any sort of respectable result. With Jayden Sullivan nestled on the bench for this one and Moses Mbye in the backline, his link with the backline could well be a stronger one though - and their attack could improve as a result.

DCE meanwhile, was in vintage form as the Sea Eagles destroyed Newcastle on home turf last week, setting up three tries and even assuming goalkicking duties as he backed up from Origin in elite fashion. This week's challenge will be doing it all without experienced lock Jake Trbojevic laying the platform.

FAVOURITE: Manly are comfortable favourites as their form line would suggest.

MY TIP: While the Dragons will likely step up defensively for this one, knowing what's on the line, it's hard to see Manly's class giving their opponents too much of a sniff. A low-scorer awaits. Manly by 6.

TEAMLIST TUESDAY

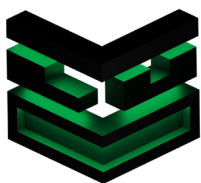
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NEWCASTLE KNIGHTS



SYDNEY ROOSTERS

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts		
24	13	4	11	-	38	Kalyn PONGA	1
29	12	10	-	-	40	Edrick LEE	2
31	13	3	-	-	12	Dane GAGAI	3
23	16	5	-	-	20	Enari TUALA	4
28	-	-	-	-	-	Hymel HUNT	5
27	7	-	5	-	10	Anthony MILFORD	6
26	13	2	-	-	8	Adam CLUNE	7
28	13	1	-	-	4	David KLEMMER	8
26	2	-	-	-	-	Jayden BRAILEY	9
26	13	-	-	-	-	Daniel SAIFITI	10
30	15	3	-	-	12	Tyson FRIZELL	11
28	8	-	-	-	-	Lachlan FITZGIBBON	12
28	11	1	-	-	4	Mitchell BARNETT	13
29	11	1	-	-	4	Kurt MANN	14
26	16	1	-	-	4	Jacob SAIFITI	15
23	4	-	-	-	-	Pasami SAULO	16
24	6	-	-	-	-	Brodie JONES	17
22	16	-	-	-	-	Leo THOMPSON	18
22	12	-	-	-	-	Phoenix CROSSLAND	19
22	6	1	2	-	8	Tex HOY	20
20	14	8	-	-	32	Dominic YOUNG	21
24	10	2	17	-	42	Jake CLIFFORD	22
Adam O'BRIEN							

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INTERCHANGE

RESERVES

COACH

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts		
29	16	10	-	-	40	James TEDESCO	1
31	15	8	-	-	32	Daniel TUPOU	2
25	13	5	3	-	26	Paul MOMIROVSKI	3
26	17	9	-	-	36	Joseph MANU	4
18	12	10	-	-	40	Joseph SUAALII	5
						Luke KEARY	6
20	17	6	52	1	129	Sam WALKER	7
33	12	2	-	-	8	Jared WAAREA-HARGREAVES	8
23	7	1	-	-	4	Sam VERRILLS	9
27	9^	-	-	-	-	Matt LODGE	10
26	17	-	-	-	-	Angus CRICHTON	11
24	17	3	-	-	12	Nat BUTCHER	12
24	12	2	-	-	8	Victor RADLEY	13
26	13	2	-	-	8	Connor WATSON	14
22	5	-	-	-	-	Egan BUTCHER	15
27	17	1	-	-	4	Drew HUTCHISON	16
23	4	-	-	-	-	Terrell MAY	17
24	-	-	-	-	-	Lachlan LAM	18
20	-	-	-	-	-	Naufahu WHYTE	19
25	1	-	-	-	-	Adam KEIGHRAN	20
24	-	-	-	-	-	Ben THOMAS	21
33	5	2	-	-	8	Kevin NAIQAMA	22
Trent ROBINSON							

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#NRLKNIGHTSROOSTERS

MATCH DETAILS

DATE	FRIDAY 22 JULY 2022
KICKOFF	7:55PM AEST
VENUE	MCDONALD JONES STADIUM NEW LAMBTON NSW / AWABAKAL
WATCH	NINE NETWORK & 9NOW FOX LEAGUE & KAYO
LISTEN LIVE BLOG	ABC SPORT, CHECK GUIDES FOR OTHERS LEAGUEUNLIMITED.COM

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE	PETER GOUGH
TOUCH JUDGES	ZIGGY PRZEKLASA-ADAMSKI PHIL HENDERSON
NRL BUNKER	GRANT ATKINS

HEAD TO HEAD

ALL 58	NEWCASTLE 21 // SYDNEY 35 // DRAW 2
MCD. JONES 27	NEWCASTLE 15 // SYDNEY 10 // DRAW 2

LAST FIVE MEETINGS

2019	R18	SYDNEY 48-10	SCG, 14053
2020	R1	SYDNEY 42-12	SCG, 6375
2021	R8	SYDNEY 38-4	MCD JONES, 22172
2021	R19	SYDNEY 28-8	SUNCORP, 2868
2022	R1	NEWCASTLE 20-6	SCG, 14710

BIGGEST WINS

2004	R15	SYDNEY 48-4	AUSSIE, 11678
2000	R22	NEWCASTLE 46-12	MARATHON, 15394
2001	QF	NEWCASTLE 40-6	MARATHON, 22061

NOTABLES

NAT BUTCHER	SYD	URNS 25 ON JULY 25
JOEY MANU	SYD	HAS 49 NRL TRIES

MATCH STATS COURTESY OF

RUGBY LEAGUE project



NEXT FIVE: KNIGHTS

R20	C'BURY	H	31 JUL
R21	W.TIGERS	A	7 AUG
R22	BRIS.	A	13 AUG
R23	CANB.	H	21 AUG
R24	G. COAST	A	28 AUG



NEXT FIVE: ROOSTERS

R20	MANLY	A	28 JUL
R21	BRIS.	H	4 AUG
R22	N QLD	H	13 AUG
R23	W.TIGERS	H	20 AUG
R24	MELB.	A	26 AUG

THE PREVIEW

with Josh Robertson

Friday night Rugby League heads to the Hunter once again as the Newcastle Knights will look to emulate their round one heroics when they play host to the Sydney Roosters.

Back in Round 1, the Knights stunned many when they pulled off a surprising upset of the Roosters when the Novocastrians scored a 20-6 victory when things looked good for Newcastle. Fast forward to round 19 and the Knights have only won three games since their back-to-back wins in rounds one and two.

Last weekend, the Knights had moments of joy but were heavily defeated against Manly going down 42-12 at Brookvale Oval. The Knights were in touch with the Sea Eagles last week trailing by just 8 points at half-time but an off-the-pace second half from Newcastle saw them completely outplayed by the home side who looked a class above the Knights.

The Knights will welcome back Hymel Hunt into the starting side for his first game of 2022 while Dom Young is named in the reserves with him in doubt with a rib injury. Newcastle have named Tyson Frizell and Edrick Lee despite injury concerns though Simi Sasagi is ruled out. Kurt Mann returns to the side after missing last week.

The Sydney Roosters have had an up and down season and find themselves outside the top 8 but a big win over the Dragons last week in Gosford will give them the confidence they can potentially match the top teams still despite a mounting injury crisis.

Losing three players last week to serious injury didn't stop the Roosters as they cracked the half-century running out 54-26 winners over the Dragons. In what was a points fest, the Roosters looked impressive during the second half despite losing three players to injury. The performance showed that despite sitting outside the top 8, there is still plenty of fight in the boys from Bondi.

Injury concerns still have an effect on the Roosters team list with Luke Keary and Jared Warea-Hargreaves back into the side. Joey Manu was named despite an injury concern out of last week's contest. Matt Lodge makes his starting debut for the Roosters while Terrell May returns to the bench.

WHO TO WATCH: Having been one of the more impressive players for the Knights since joining up, Anthony Milford has played a big part in the Newcastle attack this season. Having settled his future last week with it being announced that the Samoan international will join the Dolphins next season which means that drama is over. Milford needs to have a big game if the Knights want to get past the Roosters.

A lot of pressure has been placed on Sam Walker's shoulders in recent weeks trying to get the Roosters out of their form slump without key playmaking partner Luke Keary. Walker has been quiet in his performances this season and to me personally has been on the disappointing side and needs to step his game up for the Roosters to get over the Knights.

FAVOURITE: The Roosters are considered heavy favourites for the contest which may not be the case come kick-off time.

MY TIP: This game will be closer than what the expectations in the market are at the moment because the Knights at home could be an extra factor in their performance. The Roosters should be able to do enough to take the victory. Roosters by 10.

MONDAY'S EXPERT

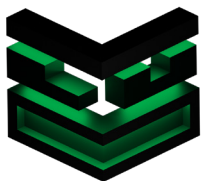
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CANBERRA RAIDERS



NEW ZEALAND WARRIORS

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts		
20	11	4	-	-	16	Xavier SAVAGE	1
23	14	4	-	-	16	Nick COTRIC	2
22	17	6	-	-	24	Matthew TIMOKO	3
23	11	7	-	-	28	Sebastian KRIS	4
21	1	-	-	-	-	Albert HOPOATE	5
29	13	3	-	-	12	Jack WIGHTON	6
28	6	-	17	-	34	Jamal FOGARTY	7
30	16	2	-	-	8	Josh PAPALII	8
25	8	-	-	-	-	Zac WOOLFORD	9
28	17	1	-	-	4	Joseph TAPINE	10
24	15	6	-	-	24	Hudson YOUNG	11
32	14	2	-	-	8	Elliott WHITEHEAD	12
27	16	2	-	-	8	Adam ELLIOTT	13
24	17	1	-	-	4	Tom STARLING	14
26	12	-	-	-	-	Ryan SUTTON	15
24	7	-	-	-	-	Emre GULER	16
27	12	2	1	-	10	Corey HARAWIRA-NAERA	17
21	1	-	-	-	-	Adrian TREVILYAN	18
23	-	-	-	-	-	Elijah ANDERSON	19
21	10	1	23	-	50	Brad SCHNEIDER	20
21	-	-	-	-	-	Ata MARIOTA	21
23	-	-	-	-	-	Peter HOLA	22
						Ricky STUART	

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PENALTIES
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Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts		
23	13	1	-	-	4	Chanel HARRIS-TAVITA	1
26	11	7	-	-	28	Dallin WATENE-ZELEZNIAK	2
23	10	4	-	-	16	Jesse ARTHARS	3
23	16	5	-	-	20	Adam POMPEY	4
26	13	5	-	-	20	Marcelo MONTOYA	5
21	4	1	-	-	4	Daejarn ASI	6
31	15	1	10	2	26	Shaun JOHNSON	7
26	14	-	-	-	-	Addin FONUA-BLAKE	8
25	14	4	-	-	16	Wayde EGAN	9
30	8	1	-	-	4	Tohu HARRIS	10
27	15	3	-	-	12	Euan AITKEN	11
23	11	2	-	-	8	Joshua CURRAN	12
26	15	1	-	-	4	Jazz TEVAGA	13
20	15	1	37	-	78	Reece WALSH	14
25	17	1	-	-	4	Bunty AFOA	15
26	13	-	-	-	-	Aaron PENE	16
25	10	2	-	-	8	Jack MURCHIE	17
22	9	1	-	-	4	Eliesa KATOA	18
23	5	2	-	-	8	Edward KOSI	20
20	2	-	-	-	-	Ronald VOLKMAN	21
21	5	-	-	-	-	Freddy LUSSICK	22
24	-	-	-	-	-	Jackson FREI	23
						Stacey JONES	

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#NRLRAIDERSWARRIORS

MATCH DETAILS

DATE	SATURDAY 23 JULY 2022
KICKOFF	3:00PM AEST
VENUE	GIO STADIUM CANBERRA BRUCE ACT / NGUNNAWAL
WATCH	FOX LEAGUE & KAYO
LISTEN	ABC SPORT, MIX CANBERRA, CHECK GUIDES FOR OTHERS
LIVE BLOG	LEAGUEUNLIMITED.COM

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE	CHRIS SUTTON
TOUCH JUDGES	NICK PELGRAVE CAMERON PADDY
NRL BUNKER	KASEY BADGER

HEAD TO HEAD

ALL 47	CANBERRA 25 // WARRIORS 22
GIO 19	CANBERRA 13 // WARRIORS 6

LAST FIVE MEETINGS

2020	R2	CANBERRA 20-6	CBUS, NONE
2020	R19	CANBERRA 26-14	GIO, 3900
2021	R3	WARRIORS 34-31	GIO, 13456
2021	R24	CANBERRA 28-16	MACKAY, 4079
2022	R8	WARRIORS 21-20	REDCLIFFE, 6326

BIGGEST WINS

2000	R5	CANBERRA 56-12	GIO, 8170
2014	R9	WARRIORS 54-12	EDEN, 18165

NOTABLES

EUAN AITKEN	WAR	HAS 49 NRL TRIES
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NEXT FIVE: RAIDERS

R20	G. COAST	A	30 JUL
R21	PENRITH	H	6 AUG
R22	ST. G. ILL	H	14 AUG
R23	NEWC.	A	21 AUG
R24	MANLY	H	27 AUG

NEXT FIVE: WARRIORS

R20	MELB.	H	29 JUL
R21	SOUTHS	A (SCS)	6 AUG
R22	C'BURY	H	12 AUG
R23	NTH QLD	A	19 AUG
R24	PENRITH	A	26 AUG

THE PREVIEW

with Lachlan McIntyre

Ricky's Raiders fight for finals footy heats up

Saturday afternoon sees the Canberra Raiders host the New Zealand Warriors in what could be a crucial match in deciding the final few top eight spots. With the Raiders sitting in 10th position, and just one win outside of the finals spots, they will be hopeful of forcing their way back into the finals series after an absence last season. The Warriors, despite being only two spots behind Canberra in 12th, are all but out of the finals charge, with four wins separating them from the 8th placed Sea Eagles.

The Canberra Raiders are coming off a very important away win against Melbourne last Sunday. Winning by four points in a game that went down to the wire, the fact that Canberra were able to close out the match will be encouraging to both their players and fans. Having struggled to play a full 80 minutes of football so far this season, their trip to Melbourne showed encouraging signs on that front.

Raiders fans have been having a nerve-wracking past month or so, with all of Canberra's last five games being decided by six points or less. Furthermore, two of their last three games have been decided by just two points. As such, expect another close one this Saturday, but in a finals race that will likely come down to for and against, every point counts for both sides, and the Raiders will be hoping to improve their current points difference of -37.

Nick Cotric makes his return from injury for the Raiders, replacing the suspended Jordan Rapana. An ankle injury to James Schiller on the other wing opens up a spot for Albert Hopoate. But the biggest in for the Raiders is that of their captain Elliott Whitehead, who will start in the back row after missing last week.

The New Zealand Warriors returned home to their fans in Auckland at the start of a month, where they recorded a resounding victory over a dismal Wests Tigers. They then had the bye, and thus the week off, and arriving at Parramatta to face the Eels last weekend there seemed to be a certain air around the team that their arrival home could signal a change in fortunes for the club.

But it was not to be. A fast starting Eels team got a comfortable lead early on through a Waqa Blake double, and from there the Warriors never looked like winning. If the Warriors had any hope of playing finals football this year, the team and the club needed to keep the momentum gained from their emotional homecoming. Momentum that seems all but lost following their ten point defeat to the Eels last Friday.

That being said, anything can happen in the NRL. With just seven games left in the season, the Warriors would need a miracle to make the eight. But as long as there is still hope, even if it's just mathematical, the Warriors, who have gone through so much hardship during the past few years, will be fighting for every point. They will be desperate to find a way to win down in Canberra this Saturday.

In big team news released on Tuesday afternoon, Reece Walsh has been dropped to the bench by Warriors interim coach Stacey Jones. The young fullback will have the number 14 on his back this weekend, with Chanel Harris-Tavita shifting to the starting fullback role. Cowboys recruit Daejarn Asi will start in the halves alongside Shaun Johnson, and Dallin Watene-Zelezniak returns on the wing.

The last time these two teams met it came down to a Shaun Johnson field goal in golden point. Canberra will need to be in on their game to avoid another upset loss like what happened back in round 8. The Warriors will be hopeful of beating the Raiders for a second time this year, something they haven't done since 2018.

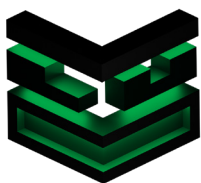
WHO TO WATCH: Following the early season injury to Raiders hooker Josh Hodgson, it seemed almost set in stone that Tom Starling would have the starting number nine duties for the rest of the season. But this weekend he will come off the bench for the 11th straight game, with Ricky Stuart opting for young Zac Woolford yet again. The two are fighting for that dominant hooker role, and are joined in that fight by utility Matt Frawley and even 21 year old Adrian Trevilyan. With the season winding down, every player will want as many minutes as possible, and the performances of the two hookers included in this Raiders side will be crucial to not just their teams chances this weekend, but also their careers going forward.

Daejarn Asi has been named to play just his 5th NRL game of the season this weekend, placed in the five-eighth role over rookie half Ronald Volkman. Having started the season at the North Queensland reserve grade side Mackay Cutters, he made a mid-season move to the Warriors. Making his club debut in their win against Canberra back in round 8, he played a further three more NRL fixtures before being moved back to the Warriors reserve grade side, the Redcliffe Dolphins. He will be eager to prove this weekend that he deserves a spot in the first grade side going forward.

FAVOURITE: The Canberra Raiders are the strong favourites to get the win at home this Saturday afternoon.

MY TIP: Coming off a win against Melbourne, the Raiders will be full of confidence, and rightly so. Raiders by 20.

PENRITH PANTHERS



CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND SHARKS

Age P T G FG Pts

26	17	5	-	-	20	Dylan EDWARDS	1
20	15	14	-	-	56	Taylan MAY	2
20	17	11	-	-	44	Izack TAGO	3
21	15	9	15	-	66	Stephen CRICHTON	4
23	9	6	-	-	24	Brian TO'O	5
25	15	6	-	-	24	Jarome LUAI	6
24	12	2	57	-	122	Nathan CLEARY	7
26	10	1	-	-	4	Moses LEOTA	8
29	16	3	-	-	12	Api KOROISAU	9
26	16	2	-	-	8	James FISHER-HARRIS	10
27	17	8	-	-	32	Viliame KIKAU	11
25	14	5	-	-	20	Liam MARTIN	12
27	14	3	-	-	12	Isaah YEO	13
24	15	1	-	-	4	Mitch KENNY	14
29	16	1	-	-	4	Scott SORENSEN	15
29	11	-	-	-	-	Matt EISENHUTH	16
23	17	1	-	-	4	Jaeman SALMON	17
21	10	2	-	-	8	Charlie STAINES	18
21	16	4	-	-	16	Spencer LENIU	19
28	3	1	-	-	4	Christopher SMITH	20
19	-	-	-	-	-	Sunia TURUVA	21
23	5	-	1	-	2	Sean O'SULLIVAN	22

Ivan CLEARY

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Age P T G FG Pts

25	15	5	-	-	20	Will KENNEDY	1
26	8	4	-	-	16	Connor TRACEY	2
25	14	8	-	-	32	Jesse RAMIEN	3
25	15	6	-	-	24	Siosifa TALAKAI	4
22	15	12	-	-	48	Ronaldo MULITALO	5
31	17	3	-	1	13	Matt MOYLAN	6
26	16	3	48	3	111	Nicho HYNES	7
26	16	-	-	-	-	Toby RUDOLF	8
23	17	3	-	-	12	Blayke BRAILEY	9
26	12	1	-	-	4	Royce HUNT	10
24	15	2	-	-	8	Briton NIKORA	11
31	9	-	-	-	-	Wade GRAHAM	12
30	12	-	-	-	-	Dale FINUCANE	13
22	16	5	-	-	20	Teig WILTON	14
28	16	1	-	-	4	Cameron McINNES	15
27	8	1	-	-	4	Braden HAMLIN-UELE	16
33	14	-	-	-	-	Andrew FIFITA	17
22	11	-	2	-	4	Braydon TRINDALL	18
33	15	1	-	-	4	Aiden TOLMAN	19
-	-	-	-	-	-	Kade DYKES	20
-	1	-	-	-	-	Jesse COLQUHOUN	21
28	2	1	-	-	4	Matt IKUVALU	22

Craig FITZGIBBON

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#NRLPANTHERSSHARKS

MATCH DETAILS

DATE	SATURDAY 23 JULY 2022
KICKOFF	5:30PM AEST
VENUE	BLUEBET STADIUM PENRITH NSW / DHARUG
WATCH	FOX LEAGUE & KAYO
LISTEN	ABC SPORT, CHECK GUIDES FOR OTHERS
LIVE BLOG	LEAGUEUNLIMITED.COM

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE	ASHLEY KLEIN
TOUCH JUDGES	DAVID MUNRO WYATT RAYMOND
NRL BUNKER	GRANT ATKINS

HEAD TO HEAD

ALL 97	PENRITH 42 // CRONULLA 52 // DRAW 3
BLUEBET 45	PENRITH 26 // CRONULLA 19

LAST FIVE MEETINGS

2019	R21	PENRITH 26-20	BLUEBET, 10860
2020	R9	PENRITH 56-24	NETSTRATA, 3277
2020	R15	PENRITH 38-12	BLUEBET, 3206
2021	R9	PENRITH 48-0	BLUEBET, 16110
2021	R14	CRONULLA 19-18	NETSTRATA, 5217

BIGGEST WINS

1978	R16	CRONULLA 43-4	BLUEBET, 5139
2021	R9	PENRITH 48-0	BLUEBET, 16110

NOTABLES

MOSES LEOTA	PEN	TURNS 27 ON JULY 20
NATHAN CLEARY	PEN	48 NRL TRIES
WADE GRAHAM	CRO	47 NRL TRIES
NICHO HYNES	CRO	48 NRL GOALS

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NEXT FIVE: PANTHERS

R20	PARRA.	A	29 JUL
R21	CANB.	A	6 AUG
R22	MELB.	H	11 AUG
R23	SOUTHS	A	18 AUG
R24	WARR.	H	26 AUG

NEXT FIVE: SHARKS

R20	SOUTHS	H	30 JUL
R21	ST. G. ILL.	H	6 AUG
R22	W.TIGERS	A (TWTW)	13 AUG
R23	MANLY	A	20 AUG
R24	C'BURY	H	27 AUG

THE PREVIEW

with AJ Lucantonio

Top 4 battle as the Sharks travel to the foot of the mountains

It's a top four battle as the high flying (and well rested) Penrith Panthers go head to head with fellow top four compatriots the Cronulla Sharks at Bluebet Stadium on Saturday evening.

It's at the point where the writers are running out of superlatives to describe Penrith over the last three seasons. They've just been out of this world in terms of preparation and executing their game plans no matter the opposition that is placed in front of them. But, if this season's shown us anything, there are signs that Penrith can be beaten as evidenced by the Roosters a few weeks ago. It's been a challenging year for Ivan Cleary battling complications from a knee infection, but Penrith continue to perform in his absence this season which is a testament to their professionalism.

Last week was really an outlier in Penrith's strong season hanging on against rivals the Wests Tigers. But it's of my firm belief that this tough victory will be of benefit to the guys that are regular first graders. As it showcased that even when they are off, they can grind out a hard fought victory. They leaned heavily on James Fisher-Harris, Villiame Kikau and the people's champ Dylan Edwards to get the victory. It's going to be a challenge to see how Penrith's NSW brigade respond after a disappointing result in the decider, the week off would've helped them immensely but their run into the finals is only getting tougher. All of the NSW stars rested last week are back and named to start, Matt Eisenhuth and Mitch Kenny go back to the bench after starting last weekend.

This week sees another tough test come their way in the shape of Cronulla. The Sharks have proven they can compete with the top clubs, going toe to toe with Melbourne earlier down in the fortress of AAMI Park. Craig Fitzgibbon has gotten a lot out of his brigade in his rookie season as coach, with the Sharks playing an exciting brand of attacking footy which has made Nicho Hynes one of the game's more attacking playmakers and rediscovered Matty Moylan's best form.

Last weekend they took a tough road trip up north to Townsville and held on for a tough and tenacious victory over the most improved side in the competition. The key was definitely their forward brigade with Toby Rudolf and Dale Finucane playing key roles to power over the top of the opposition. This week though, the pack face their biggest test taking on a full strength Panthers pack with Martin and Yeo keen to put their Origin heartache behind them. Cam McInnes has proven to be an energiser bunny off the bench and will be going against Penrith's impact man Scott Sorensen. But the main task for Cronulla's pack is stopping Penrith's effective back three from gaining meters coming out of yardage, if they can contain Edwards, To'o and May it'll go a long way for victory. Sione Katoa hurt his shoulder in scoring the game sealing try last weekend, this is offset by the fact Siosifa Talakai will return after being rested last week, Mr Fix It Connor Tracey will slide onto the wing and continue his good form. Briton Nikora's return from suspension sees Teig Wilton revert to the bench and Jesse Colquhoun move to the reserves.

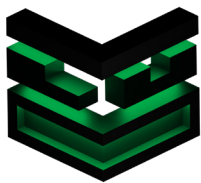
WHO TO WATCH: Is there a more consistent fullback this season than Dylan Edwards. After being considered the 'handbrake' of Penrith's attack in 2020-2021, the improvement in Dylan's game this season is second to none. His numbers in 2022 only speak for himself with the fullback averaging 220 meters a game as well as six try assists and six tackle breaks which has definitely placed him in the upper echelon of fullbacks in the NRL this season. Taking on more of a leadership role this season with a young backline, Edwards has stood up to the plate and is reaping the rewards of Penrith's strong season.

This is Cronulla's biggest test this season and it's going to show how far their rebuild has come. So if they want to win, it's going to have to come from Nicho Hynes. Hynes has been immense in his first season in the shire and wearing the number 7. It's safe to say that Nicho has smashed every expectation placed upon his shoulders scoring three tries, setting ten tries up as well as seventeen line-break assists. What's been the biggest strength has been his short kicking game, with the ability to place his kicks in the right place at the right time forcing 19 dropouts. Coming up against a strong Penrith defensive unit, Hynes' kicking game could be the difference for the black, white, and blue.

FAVOURITE: Penrith (at home) are short-priced favourites with the bookies. Cronulla haven't won at BlueBet Stadium since 2018 when Matt Moylan returned home to stun his former team 24-12 in Round 18. Since then though, the Sharks haven't been able to win in Penrith (like most NRL clubs).

MY TIP: It's rare to see Penrith put together two bad performances in a row. But, with Cronulla in a good patch of form looking to cement a spot inside the top four it's going to be a close encounter. However, I'm of the opinion that Penrith are going to begin their charge to the finals on the right track and place one hand on the J.J. Giltinan Shield, but it won't be easy against a determined Cronulla outfit. Penrith by 10

SOUTH SYDNEY RABBITOHS



MELBOURNE STORM

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts		
25	7	3	21	1	56	Latrell MITCHELL	1
27	16	19	-	-	76	Alex JOHNSTON	2
25	2	-	-	-	-	Jed CARTWRIGHT	3
22	6	2	-	-	8	Isaiah TASS	4
22	12	5	-	-	20	Jaxson PAULO	5
32	17	9	-	-	36	Cody WALKER	6
22	17	2	-	-	8	Lachlan ILIAS	7
25	16	2	-	-	8	Tevita TATOLA	8
31	15	7	-	-	28	Damien COOK	9
32	9	-	-	-	-	Mark NICHOLLS	10
24	17	4	-	-	16	Keaon KOLOAMATANGI	11
26	16	1	-	-	4	Jai ARROW	12
24	13	3	-	-	12	Cameron MURRAY	13
28	13*	1	10	-	24	Kodi NIKORIMA	14
19	8	-	-	-	-	Davyv MOALE	15
29	14	1	-	-	4	Siliva HAVILI	16
30	16	1	-	-	4	Thomas BURGESS	17
22	9*	-	-	-	-	Daniel SULUKA-FIFITA	18
32	5	2	-	-	8	Josh MANSOUR	19
27	1	3	-	-	12	Richard KENNAR	20
20	-	-	-	-	-	Ben LOVETT	21
23	9	2	30	-	68	Blake TAAFFE	22
Jason DEMETRIOU							

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Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts		
24	16	9	27	-	90	Nick MEANEY	1
20	9	2	-	-	8	Dean IEREMIA	2
27	8	2	-	-	8	Marion SEVE	3
28	17	7	-	-	28	Justin OLAM	4
22	10	-	-	-	-	Tyran WISHART	5
27	14	7	-	-	28	Cameron MUNSTER	6
27	15	10	-	-	40	Jahrome HUGHES	7
33	15	1	-	-	4	Jesse BROMWICH	8
24	12	4	-	-	16	Harry GRANT	9
26	15	2	-	-	8	Nelson ASOFA-SOLOMONA	10
30	15	3	-	-	12	Felise KAUFUSI	11
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20	10	1	-	-	4	Alec MacDONALD	16
27	3	-	-	-	-	Jordan GRANT	17
30	12	1	-	-	4	Chris LEWIS	18
23	1	-	-	-	-	Cooper JOHNS	19
29	-	-	-	-	-	Young TONUMAIPEA	20
29	-	-	-	-	-	Tom EISENHUTH	21
19	-	-	-	-	-	Sualauvi FAALOGO	22
Craig BELLAMY							

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MATCH DETAILS

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KICKOFF	7:35PM AEST
VENUE	ACCOR STADIUM
	SYDNEY OLYMPIC PARK NSW / WANN-GAL
WATCH	FOX LEAGUE & KAYO
LISTEN	ABC SPORT, CHECK GUIDES FOR OTHERS
LIVE BLOG	LEAGUEUNLIMITED.COM

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE	TODD SMITH
TOUCH JUDGES	DREW OULTRAM MICHAEL WISE
NRL BUNKER	ADAM GEE

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ALL 36	SOUTHS 5 // MELBOURNE 31
ACCOR 8	SOUTHS 2 // MELBOURNE 6

LAST FIVE MEETINGS

2020	R4	MELBOURNE 22-8	AAMI, NONE
2020	R17	MELBOURNE 22-16	ANZ, 4734
2021	R1	MELBOURNE 26-18	AAMI, 11812
2021	R9	MELBOURNE 50-0	STAD. AUS., 7501
2022	R2	MELBOURNE 15-14	AAMI, 13269

BIGGEST WINS

2017	R25	MELBOURNE 64-6	AAMI, 15403
2003	R13	SOUTHS 41-14	AUSSIE, 7104

NOTABLES

CAMPBELL GRAHAM	SOU	47 NRL/CLUB TRIES
JAHROME HUGHES	MEL	100TH NRL MATCH

MATCH STATS COURTESY OF

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NEXT FIVE: RABBITOHS

R20	CRON.	A	30 JUL
R21	WARR.	H (SCS)	6 AUG
R22	PARRA.	A	12 AUG
R23	PENRITH	H	18 AUG
R24	NTH QLD	H	27 AUG



NEXT FIVE: STORM

R20	WARR.	A	29 JUL
R21	G. COAST	H	5 AUG
R22	PENRITH	A	11 AUG
R23	BRIS.	A	19 AUG
R24	SYDNEY	H	26 AUG

THE PREVIEW

with Lachy MacCorquodale

The Melbourne Storm attempt to end their losing streak as the defending minor premiers head to Sydney to take on the in-form South Sydney Rabbitohs.

The Storm suffered their third straight defeat for the first time in seven years after a narrow four-point loss to the Canberra Raiders on Sunday afternoon. If the loss wasn't painful enough, a season ending injury to Ryan Papenhuyzen would've left fans in despair after he fractured his kneecap during the first half of the game. It hasn't been a pleasant three weeks for Craig Bellamy and his side, as they've slipped from their cushy second place into fourth with the Broncos, Eels and Rabbitohs hot on their heels. This makes Saturday's game all the more important as they look to retain their spot in the top four. There were some signs of improvement for the Storm, who looked more threatening than they have over the past few weeks, breaking 43 tackles and making six line breaks as they did their best to break through the scrambling Raiders defence. However, the usually pristine defence of the Storm has slipped, conceding 20 points or more in each of their last four matches as they now boast the fourth best defence in the competition. This is by no means poor in relation to the rest of the competition, but by Melbourne Storm standards, this slip in defence is alarming. As is their record against the three teams that sit above them. Penrith and North Queensland defeated Melbourne convincingly in their only matchups this season, whilst the Cronulla Sharks responded from their loss to the Storm earlier in the year with a win of their own in Round 17. A combination of injuries and a lack of experience and chemistry in the back five have left the Storm thin and are a potential cause for their slip in defence. The back five have been made even thinner with the loss of Papenhuyzen and they face a tough challenge this week, coming up against a firing outside back group led by Latrell Mitchell. This leaves an even bigger load for the halves and forwards to carry and they'll no doubt look to their stars in the number six, seven and nine jersey to turn things around this week, which they are more than capable of doing. With Papenhuyzen out for the season, Nick Meaney will take over fullback duties this week and most likely for the rest of the season. Tyran Wishart starts on the wing with Grant Anderson taking his spot on the bench.

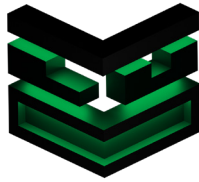
The Rabbitohs have been on a point scoring tear in recent weeks, scoring 30 points or more in five of their last six games. They've won all five of those games with the only loss coming at the hands of the St. George Illawarra Dragons who destroyed them in the opening half. However, their attack has look superb since the return of Latrell Mitchell in Round 16. The 25-year-old fullback has scored a try, assisted five and broken 22 tackles in his last three games and he'll no doubt prove to be a handful for the Storm outside backs as he looks to push the Rabbitohs up the competition ladder. It took all of Mitchell's talent and a hat trick from Alex Johnston to give the Rabbitohs the victory on the weekend after the Canterbury Bankstown Bulldogs nearly came away with an upset victory. Three tries in the final ten minutes ensured the Rabbitohs would keep their neat form up as they hunt for an important top four spot. A win this weekend against the current fourth placed side would do them a world of good in that hunt. The return of Damien Cook and Cameron Murray will no doubt help their cause and add extra strength to an inform forward pack. A member of that forward pack who has been exceptional over the past two months is Tevita Tatola who has become an even more valued member of the Rabbitohs over the course of the season. The 25-year-old middle forward has eclipsed 150 running metres in five of his last seven starts including a mammoth 234 run metres, 82 post contact metres and 33 tackles in their victory over the Bulldogs on Sunday. Tatola was great in Souths' earlier meeting with the Storm racking up just shy of 150 run metres in their golden point loss which will give Souths' the confidence that they can one up their opponents this weekend. However, their defence this season has been leaky, conceding 20 points or more on eight occasions and that'll be something that the Storm look to exploit. With the return of Cook and Murray, Taane Milne and Daniel Suluka-Fifita return to reserve grade as Jed Cartwright moves from the bench to claim a spot in the centres.

WHO TO WATCH: This could be one of the most exciting matches of the round given the talent on display, particularly in the spine. Both sides' number sixes are two of the best at their craft and will no doubt be ready to trade metaphorical blows this Saturday. Cody Walker, the Bunnies' six, has been in great form over the past three weeks, scoring three tries and assisting a further four, having played a large role in his sides' victories in those three weeks. The former Blue took some time getting accustomed to playing next to rookie halfback Lachlan Ilias after years of playing alongside Adam Reynolds. After a poor performance against Melbourne earlier in the year, Walker will be licking his lips at the opportunity to secure the two-points against the defending minor premiers. His opposing five-eighth was once again elusive in their loss to the Raiders on the weekend, breaking four tackles and running for 180 metres. After missing out in Queensland's Origin victory due to COVID-19, Munster will be searching for his first win since Round 15. Munster has been exceptional this season and is regarded as one of the best players in the game and his numbers back it up. Seven tries, 12 try assists, 66 tackle breaks and 133.6 running metres per game for the Queensland six in his 12 appearances this season show why he's one of the best. Not to mention his man of the match performance in Origin Game 1 which gave the Queenslanders the 1-0 lead. Hopefully we get to see the best from both of these exciting players this Saturday night at Accor Stadium.

FAVOURITE: Melbourne are slight favourites for Saturday's clash against the Bunnies' despite their current losing streak. The Storm have a current seven game win streak over Souths' dating back to 2018. The Rabbitohs have only defeated the Storm in five of the 31 matches between the two sides and lost earlier in the season in golden point.

MY TIP: This one is hard to tip given the form of the Bunnies' and the fact that the Storm must snap this streak eventually. The loss of Papenhuyzen will hurt the Storm but if Munster, Hughes and Grant can all perform, it'll be tough for the Rabbitohs to win. Mitchell does have a history of kicking clutch field goals against the Storm and he might be required to do so again on Saturday. Storm to snap the streak. Melbourne by 2.

CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN BULLDOGS



GOLD COAST TITANS

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts		
21	14	8	-	-	32	Jake AVERILLO	1
20	8	3	-	-	12	Jacob KIRAZ	2
22	2	1	-	-	4	Declan CASEY	3
26	7	3	-	-	12	Braidon BURNS	4
26	16	11	-	-	44	Josh ADDO-CARR	5
22	17	3	33	-	78	Matt BURTON	6
23	13	1	5	-	14	Kyle FLANAGAN	7
25	17	-	-	-	-	Max KING	8
26	17	4	-	-	16	Jeremy MARSHALL-KING	9
31	17	1	-	-	4	Paul VAUGHAN	10
31	16	-	-	-	-	Josh JACKSON	11
25	15	-	-	-	-	Corey WADDELL	12
26	14	1	-	-	4	Tevita PANGAI JUNIOR	13
27	7	-	-	-	-	Zach DOCKAR-CLAY	14
22	3	1	-	-	4	Kurtis MORRIN	15
26	14	2	-	-	8	Joe STIMSON	16
28	7	-	-	-	-	Raymond FAITALA-MARINER	17
21	12	3	-	-	12	Aaron SCHOUPP	19
26	12	1	-	-	4	Matt DUFTY	20
20	8	-	-	-	-	Bailey BIONDI-ODO	21
20	-	-	-	-	-	Jackson TOPINE	22
20	9	-	-	-	-	Chris PATOLO	23
Michael POTTER							

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SCRUMS

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts		
23	15	4	-	-	16	AJ BRIMSON	1
19	1	-	-	-	-	Sosefo FIFITA	2
24	8	5	-	-	20	Phillip SAMI	3
25	14	-	-	-	-	Patrick HERBERT	4
32	9	1	-	-	4	Corey THOMPSON	5
21	11	1	-	-	4	Tanah BOYD	6
21	17	1	18	-	40	Toby SEXTON	7
22	16	-	-	-	-	Moeaki FOTUAIKA	8
26	1	-	-	-	-	Aaron BOOTH	9
31	16	-	-	-	-	Isaac LIU	10
22	11	3	-	-	12	David FIFITA	11
23	16	5	-	-	20	Beau FERMOR	12
22	16	4	-	-	16	Tino FA'ASUAMALEAUI	13
24	17	2	-	-	8	Erin CLARK	14
25	12	1	-	-	4	Jaimin JOLLIFFE	15
27	6	1	-	-	4	Herman ESE'ESE	16
22	7	1	-	-	4	Jayden CAMPBELL	17
24	9	-	-	-	-	Sam McINTYRE	18
33	8	-	-	-	-	Kevin PROCTOR	19
22	4	-	-	-	-	Paul TURNER	20
26	13	4	-	-	16	Brian KELLY	21
20	-	-	-	-	-	Alofiana KHAN-PEREIRA	22
Justin HOLBROOK							

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#NRLBULLDOGSTITANS

MATCH DETAILS

DATE	SUNDAY 24 JULY 2022
KICKOFF	2:00PM AEST
VENUE	COMMBANK STADIUM PARRAMATTA NSW / BURRAMATTAGAL
WATCH	FOX LEAGUE & KAYO
LISTEN	ABC SPORT, CHECK GUIDES FOR OTHERS
LIVE BLOG	LEAGUEUNLIMITED.COM

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE	BEN CUMMINS
TOUCH JUDGES	KASEY BADGER JON STONE
NRL BUNKER	GERARD SUTTON

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LAST FIVE MEETINGS

2018	R15	GOLD COAST 32-10	BELMORE, 6874
2019	R10	CANTERBURY 22-16	CBUS SUPER, 10105
2020	R17	GOLD COAST 18-14	STADIUM AUS., 2048
2021	R11	GOLD COAST 30-20	CBUS SUPER, 11315
2021	R20	GOLD COAST 34-6	CBUS, NONE

BIGGEST WINS

2007	R19	CANTERBURY 36-12	METRICON, 15873
2018	R15	GOLD COAST 32-10	BELMORE, 6874

NOTABLES

MATT BURTON	CBY	50TH NRL GAME
CHRIS PATOLO	CBY	TURNS 21 ON JULY 23
JAYDEN TANNER	CBY	TURNS 22 ON JULY 25
R.FAITALA-MARINER	CBY	TURNS 29 ON JULY 26
JARROD WALLACE	GLD	TURNS 31 ON JULY 23
COREY THOMPSON	GLD	HAS 47 NRL TRIES

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NEXT FIVE: BULLDOGS

R20	NEWC.	A	31 JUL
R21	NTH QLD	H (BDBG)	7 AUG
R22	WARR.	A	12 AUG
R23	PARRA.	A	20 AUG
R24	CRON.	A	27 AUG



NEXT FIVE: TITANS

R20	CANB.	H	30 JUL
R21	MELB.	A	5 AUG
R22	MANLY	H	14 AUG
R23	ST. G. ILL.	A	21 AUG
R24	NEWC.	H	28 AUG

THE PREVIEW

with Rob Crosby

A must-win contest of a different kind

The desperation to avoid the wooden spoon will provide the Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs and the Gold Coast Titans with plenty to play for during their Sunday afternoon encounter at Commbank Stadium.

Sitting two points clear of wooden spoon territory with a for-and-against differential superior to their closest rivals, the Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs will be determined to keep the points flowing on home soil.

Holding a six-point lead before conceding three tries in the final ten minutes to go down 36-28 to South Sydney last Sunday, the Bulldogs have improved considerably in attack following the appointment of Mick Potter as interim coach two months ago.

Averaging a touch over four tries in their past seven matches after managing less than two per game during the first ten rounds, the Bulldogs have named an unchanged line-up, including Josh Addo-Carr, who was initially feared to be sidelined for the remainder of 2022 with an ankle injury.

Staring down the prospect of a third wooden spoon in 16 seasons as a top flight team, the Gold Coast Titans will be hoping the strides made last week culminate in a rarely sighted victory away from home.

Narrowly going down to crosstown rivals Brisbane in a contentious 16-12 tussle at home, the Titans have won only one of their past 13 matches and last tasted victory outside of Queensland in July last season.

Winning four of their past five matches against the Bulldogs, coach Justin Holbrook has recalled captain Tino Fa'asuamaleaui to the starting side with Jayden Campbell named on the bench for his first appearance in six weeks.

WHO TO WATCH: Finding his feet at Belmore after a slow start to the season, Matt Burton will be out to settle a personal score with a team victory on Sunday afternoon. Coming into contact with Queensland forward Tino Fa'asuamaleaui during a fiery scuffle during the deciding State of Origin encounter, the 22-year-old New South Wales rookie will be focussed on letting his football do the talking when the pair face off at club level. Producing 11 try assists, 11 line-break assists and 16 forced drop outs in his first season as a fulltime NRL five-eighth, Sunday will see Burton bring up his 50th appearance in first grade.

Biding his time in the Queensland state league for the first two-thirds of the season, late bloomer Aaron Booth made an immediate impression in his club debut last weekend. Producing 42 tackles and forcing a line drop out in 60 minutes of action against the Broncos, the 26-year-old hooker will be aiming to hold down the number nine jersey and earn a new deal beyond this season. Making six appearances over two years with the Storm before heading north in pursuit of regular game time, look for Booth to make a case to be the side's long-term hooker over the final seven rounds.

FAVOURITE: Bulldogs are expected to have too many points for the Titans and move four points clear of last position.

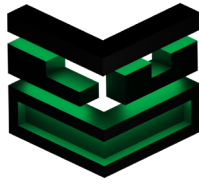
MY TIP: While both teams showed plenty of promise, despite suffering defeats, last weekend, the Bulldogs renewed attacking flair coupled with the Titans inability to perform on the road should result in a clear cut outcome. Bulldogs by 16.



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**WESTS
TIGERS**

Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts		
25	13	6	4	-	32	Scott DRINKWATER	1
30	13	9	-	-	36	Kyle FELDT	2
26	15	6	62	1	149	Valentine HOLMES	3
29	17	3	-	-	12	Peta HIKU	4
23	16	11	-	-	44	Murray TAULAGI	5
21	15	5	-	-	20	Tom DEARDEN	6
31	17	-	2	1	5	Chad TOWNSEND	7
25	15	-	-	-	-	Coen HESS	8
24	17	5	-	-	20	Reece ROBSON	9
26	14^	1	-	-	4	Luciano LEILUA	10
21	16	2	-	-	8	Tom GILBERT	11
19	14	12	-	-	48	Jeremiah NANAI	12
29	16	-	-	-	-	Jason TAUMALOLO	13
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20	14	5	-	-	20	Hamiso TABUAI-FIDOW	14
33	11	-	-	-	-	Jake GRANVILLE	15
25	9	-	-	-	-	Jamayne TAUNOA-BROWN	16
21	15	2	-	-	8	Griffin NEAME	17
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24	4	2	-	-	8	Connelly LEMUELU	18
28	3	-	-	-	-	Brendan ELLIOT	19
21	-	-	-	-	-	Riley PRICE	20
-	1	-	-	-	-	Tom CHESTER	21
23	-	-	-	-	-	Taniela SADRUGU	22
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	Age	P	T	G	FG	Pts	
1	Daine LAURIE	22	12	1	-	4	
2	Brent NADEN	26	11^	1	-	4	
3	Starford TO'A	22	14	1	-	4	
4	Asu KEPAOA	22	5	1	-	4	
5	Ken MAUMALO	27	14	11	-	44	
6	Adam DOUEIHI	23	4	1	5	14	
7	Luke BROOKS	27	16	2	13	1	35
8	James TAMOU	33	13	2	-	8	
9	Fa'amanu BROWN	27	6	3	-	12	
10	Joe OFAHENGAUE	26	17	1	-	4	
11	Luke GARNER	26	16	4	-	16	
12	Kelma TUILAGI	23	15	-	-	-	
13	Jackson HASTINGS	26	14	-	10	1	21
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14	Fonua POLE	20	3	-	-	-	
15	Zane MUSGROVE	26	17	1	-	4	
16	Alex SEYFARTH	23	13	-	-	-	
17	Tyrone PEACHEY	30	8	1	-	4	
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18	Austin DIAS	24	2	-	-	-	
19	Jock MADDEN	22	8	1	4	12	
20	Justin MATAMUA	19	2	-	-	-	
21	James ROBERTS	29	5	-	-	-	
22	David NOFOALUMA	28	12	8	-	32	
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#NRLCOWBOYSTIGERS

MATCH DETAILS

DATE	SUNDAY 24 JULY 2022
KICKOFF	4:05PM AEST
VENUE	QUEENSLAND COUNTRY BANK STADIUM TOWNSVILLE QLD / WULGURUKABA
WATCH	NINE NETWORK & 9NOW FOX LEAGUE & KAYO
LISTEN LIVE BLOG	ABC SPORT, CHECK GUIDES FOR OTHERS LEAGUEUNLIMITED.COM

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE	CHRIS BUTLER
TOUCH JUDGES	BELINDA SHARPE MATT NOYEN
NRL BUNKER	ASHLEY KLEIN

HEAD TO HEAD

ALL 41	NORTH QLD 18 // WESTS TIGERS 23
QLD C.B. 1	NORTH QLD 0 // WESTS TIGERS 1



LAST FIVE MEETINGS

2019	R20	WESTS TIGERS 28-4	LEICHHARDT, 10016
2020	R6	WESTS TIGERS 36-20	CAMPBELLTOWN, 104
2021	R5	NORTH QLD 34-30	LEICHHARDT, 9433
2021	R22	WESTS TIGERS 24-16	QLD C.B., 12663
2022	R10 (M)	NORTH QLD 36-12	SUNCORP, 43401

BIGGEST WINS

2005	QF	WESTS TIGERS 50-6	TELSTRA, 26463
2007	R20	WESTS TIGERS 54-10	LEICHHARDT, 17101
2014	R22	NORTH QLD 64-6	1300SMILES, 12317

NOTABLES

TOM DEARDEN	NQL	50TH NRL MATCH
VALENTINE HOLMES	NQL	TURNS 27 ON JULY 24
TANIELA SADRUGU	NQL	TURNS 24 ON JULY 25
JAMES TAMOU	WST	300TH NRL GAME
DAINE LAURIE	WST	TURNS 23 ON JULY 20

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R20	ST. G. ILL.	A	31 JUL
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NEXT FIVE: TIGERS

R20	BRIS.	A	30 JUL
R21	NEWC.	H (CTN)	7 AUG
R22	CRON.	H (TWTW)	13 AUG
R23	SYDNEY	A	20 AUG
R24	ST. G. ILL.	H (CMBK)	28 AUG

THE PREVIEW

with Andrew Jackson

The last time the Cowboys and Tigers faced off in Townsville, they were sitting in 14th and 13th position on the ladder respectively.

That was only late last year. A lot has changed since then.

North Queensland has emerged as a genuine premiership contender this year, sitting in second and looking all but guaranteed a spot in the top four, save for an end-of-season collapse.

Last week's loss to Cronulla will likely be just a mere speedbump for Todd Payten's men, who are proof that wholesale changes are not always needed to produce results on the field.

The Tigers, on the other hand, are no longer spearheaded by Michael Maguire but they are still mired by mediocrity, constantly confusing their fans with where the team is actually going.

For now Brett Kimmorley is the interim coach while Luke Brooks and Adam Doueihi make up the halves pairing, with Jackson Hastings at lock forward.

Having a serious competitor and ball-playing option in the middle like Hastings certainly adds an extra element to the Tigers' attack, but is he really the long-term solution there?

Or will Hastings move to halfback eventually when the club finally admits Luke Brooks is not the answer?

Sure, Brooks is not the only issue but it looks increasingly likely he will be moved on before next year provided the Tigers find an interested suitor and are willing to chip in from their own pockets.

Yes, this is a preview of this week's game with the Cowboys but with their season over, the Tigers really need to be planning for next year and naming Brooks at halfback is further proof that is not happening yet.

The Tigers scrambled well in defence last week in their 18-16 loss to an undermanned Penrith, although Kimmorley would have been bitterly disappointed with the way his side opened up in the first place.

They only had to scramble so hard because the Panthers kept finding gaping holes through the middle, ones that a full-strength Cowboys side will punish them for.

Queensland trio Valentine Holmes, Tom Dearden and Jeremiah Nanai all return this week while Murray Taulagi (COVID protocols) is also back.

Nanai's return sees former Tiger Luciano Leilua move to prop while Jamayne Taunua-Brown shifts to the bench.

Hamiso Tabuai-Fidow is also on the interchange with Ben Hampton, Connelly Lemuelu and Tomas Chester are the men to drop out of the team named for last week's loss to the Sharks.

As for the Tigers, James Roberts and David Nofaluma (both illness) have been named on the reserves and could return.

Brent Naden is locked in to come back on the wing after serving a four-game suspension while Tyrone Peachey and Alex Seyfarth have been named on the bench.

James Tamou is a fresh face in the starting team with Zane Musgrove back to the interchange.

WHO TO WATCH: Given how vulnerable the Tigers were through the middle last week, look for Jason Taumalolo to wreak havoc on Sunday. Taumalolo already showed in his disallowed try against Cronulla just how destructive he can be close to the line, regardless of how many defenders you put on him. If the Cowboys are able to get a roll-on and Reece Robson gets out of dummy-half with plenty of space to work with, look for Taumalolo to cause all kinds of issues. If he plays enough minutes, lock Taumalolo in for another 150-plus metre performance.

Once again, all eyes will be on the Tigers' halves situation and in particular how Jackson Hastings plays. Sure, he was named at lock last week but Hastings still had to do plenty of work organizing the side - the sort of responsibility that is usually reserved for the halfback. Instead, Brooks and Doueihi operated as if two five-eighths on different sides of the field. It is not a sustainable system given how much work Hastings has to do in the middle of the field. It will be interesting to see if anything changes this week, be it Hastings being able to play more like a ball-playing forward or Brooks taking on more responsibility himself.

FAVOURITE: The Cowboys are well-backed to take the win.

MY TIP: the Cowboys are in a mood they could run up 60-plus points - that is how bad the Tigers' defence is. It may not be that bad but North Queensland will still win this quite easily. Cowboys by 36.

NSWRL TEAMLISTS & RESULTS

PLEASE NOTE: Teamlists may be incomplete or unavailable and are subject to change, along with match details. Visit nswrl.com.au for more information.

KNOCK-ON EFFECT NSW CUP - ROUND 19

CANBERRA RAIDERS v CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN BULLDOGS

Saturday 23 July 12:40pm, GIO Stadium Canberra, Bruce

Referee: Keiren Irons; Sideline Officials: John Woods, Daniel Luttringer

CANBERRA: 1. Charnze Nicoll-Klokstad 2. Utuloa Asouma 3. Elijah Anderson 4. Brad Morkos 6. Brad Schneider 7. Matt Frawley 8. Peter Hola 9. Adrian Trevilyan 10. Ata Mariota 11. Mitchell Spencer 12. Clay Webb 16. Jed Stuart 17. Juwan Compain **CANTERBURY:** 1. Matt Dufty 2. Jayden Okunbor 3. Creedence Toia 4. Jeral Skelton 5. Isaac Lumelume 6. Brandon Wakeham 7. Bailey Biondi-Odo 8. Jayden Tanner 9. Josh Cook 10. Chris Patolo 11. Reece Hoffman 12. Jackson Topine 13. Phillip Makatoa 14. Ryan Gray 15. Matt Doorey 16. Harrison Edwards 17. Joshua Stuckey 19. Lachlan Hughes

NEWCASTLE KNIGHTS v ST GEORGE ILLAWARRA DRAGONS

Saturday 23 July 2:00pm, St John Oval, Charlestown

Referee: Jake Sutherland; Sideline Officials: Rickey McFarlane, Cameron Mitchell

NEWCASTLE: 1. Tex Hoy 2. Heath Gibbs 3. Simi Sasagi 4. Krystian Mapapalangi 5. McKenzie Baker 6. Jake Clifford 7. Phoenix Crossland 8. Sauaso Sue 9. Chris Randall 10. Leo Thompson 11. Jack Johns 12. Jirah Momoisea 13. Matthew Croker 14. Nicholas O'Mealy 15. Ben Talty 16. John Toleafoa 17. Liam Wilkinson 18. Liam Wiscombe 19. Luke Huith **ST GEO ILLA:** 1. Treigh Stewart 2. Jonathon Reuben 3. Ethan Clark-Wood 4. Sam McCann 5. Alexander Lobb 6. Zach Herring 7. Kamren Cryer 8. Poasa Faamausili 9. Connor Muhleisen 10. Josh Carr 11. Jack Gosiewski 12. Jackson Ford 13. Tyrell Fuimaono 14. Mitch Francis 15. Joshua Coric 16. Declan Purcell 24. Nathan Leatigaga

NEWTOWN JETS v NORTH SYDNEY BEARS

Saturday 23 July 3:00pm, Henson Park, Marrickville

Referee: Darian Furner; Sideline Officials: Patrick Mackey, Nick Beashel

NEWTOWN: 1. Kade Dykes 2. Matt Ikuvalu 3. Mawene Hiroti 4. Kayal Iro 5. Tyla Tamou 6. Lachlan Miller 7. Rhys Davies 8. Thomas Hazelton 9. Jayden Berrell 10. Jesse Colquhoun 11. Charbel Tasipale 12. Kayne Kalache 13. Billy Magoulias 15. Jenson Taumoepeau 17. Caleb Uele 18. Liam Harris 21. Franklin Pele 23. Vincent Rennie **NORTHS:** 1. Ethan King 2. Kevin Naiqama 3. Adam Keighran 4. Lalotoa Mata'afa 5. Tom Carr 6. Sandon Smith 7. Jesse Marschke 8. Ben Thomas 9. Ben Marschke 10. Renouf Atoni 11. Jacob Preston 12. Joshua Wong 13. Naufahu Whyte 14. Tyler Moriarty 15. Jordin Leiu 16. Regan Hughes 17. Michael Fenn

SOUTH SYDNEY RABBITOHS v MOUNTIES

Saturday 23 July 5:10pm, Accor Stadium, Sydney Olympic Park

Referee: Damian Brady; Sideline Officials: Mitchell Stone, Ben Teague

SOUTHS: 1. Blake Taaffe 2. Josh Mansour 3. Jacob Gagai 4. Richard Kennar 5. Izaac Thompson 6. Jack Campagnolo 7. Dean Hawkins 8. Hugo Patterson 9. Shannon Gardiner 10. Shaq Mitchell 11. Taane Milne 12. Ben Lovett 13. Trent Peoples 14. Romano Cook 15. Yileen Gordon 16. Tallis Duncan 17. Darcy Hardman 18. Tyson Hodge **MOUNTIES:** 1. Dylan Smith 2. Watson Heleta 3. Tim Simona 4. Semisi Kioa 5. Tuipulotu Katoa 6. Brad Abbey 7. Jarrett Subloo 8. Ben Seufale 9. Josh Daley 10. Jack Quinn 11. Haimona Hiroti 12. Dane Aukafolau 13. Dean Matterson 15. Stuart Mason 16. Mitchell Butfield 17. Jack Miller 19. Denzal Tonise

BLACKTOWN WORKERS SEA EAGLES v PENRITH PANTHERS

Sunday 24 July 3:00pm, HE Laybutt Fields, Blacktown

Referee: Clayton Wills; Sideline Officials: Liam Nicholls, Tom Cambourn

BWSE: 1. Jake Toby 2. Alfred Smalley 3. Steve Sako 4. Pio Seci 5. Bilal Maarbani 6. Adam Fearnley 7. Ben Stevanovic 8. James Roumanos 9. Bailey Cantrill 10. Jacob Sykes 11. Kenny Soumpholphakdy 12. Luke Hodge 13. William Swann 14. Tyrann Ott 15. Pone Tongia 16. Bruce Ward 17. Jordan Main 18. Robert Mafi **PENRITH:** 1. Charlie Staines 2. Christian Crichton 3. Robert Jennings 4. Thomas Jenkins 5. Sunia Turuva 6. Trent Toelau 7. Sean O'Sullivan 8. Spencer Leniu 9. Soni Luke 10. Alec Susino 11. Preston Riki 12. Chris Smith 13. Lindsay Smith 15. Liam Henry 16. Aivalu Lisati 17. John Faiumu 18. Hanna El-nachar

BYES: Parramatta Eels, Western Suburbs Magpies

ROUND 18 RESULTS

Newcastle Knights (32) Tries: Heath Gibbs 2, McKenzie Baker, Jack Johns, Ben Talty, John Toleafoa; Goals: Tex Hoy 4 **def Blacktown Workers Sea Eagles (12)** Tries: Pio Seci, James Segayaro; Goals: Ben Stevanovic **at 4 Pines Park**

Western Suburbs Magpies (32) Tries: Brandon Tumeth, Johnny Mitsias, Tyrone Peachey, Junior Pauga, Trey Peni; Goals: Jock Madden 6 **def Penrith Panthers (20)** Tries: Logan Cohen 2, Luke Sommerton, Tom Jenkins; Goals: Jack Cole 2 **at Leichhardt Oval**

St George Illawarra Dragons (28) Tries: Tyrell Sloan 2, Josh Kerr, Max Feagai, Treigh Stewart; Goals: Kamren Cryer 3, Jayden Sullivan 1 **def North Sydney Bears (28)** Tries: Kieran Hayman, Lachlan Lam, Michael Fenn, Tom Carr, Toa Mata'afa; Goals: Adam Keighran 4 **at Collegians Sports Complex**

Newtown Jets (30) Tries: Kayal Iro 2, Thomas Hazelton, Tyla Tamou, Kade Dykes; Goals: Lachlan Miller 5 **def Parramatta Eels (10)** Tries: Mitch Rein, Sean Russell; Goals: Jordan Rankin 1 **at Henson Park**

Mounties RLFC (20) Tries: Tim Simona, Haimona Hiroti, Semisi Kioa, Brad Abbey; Goals: Jarrett Subloo 1, Dylan Smith 1 **def Canberra Raiders (18)** Tries: Peter Hola, Steve Numambo, Adrian Trevilyan; Goals: Joshua James 3 **at Aubrey Keech Reserve**

Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs (20) Tries: Jeral Skelton 2, Matt Dufty 2; Goals: Brandon Wakeham 2 **def South Sydney Rabbitohs (10)** Tries: Jacob Gagai, Ben Lovett; Goals: Blake Taaffe 1 **at Accor Stadium**

LADDER AFTER ROUND 18

Pos	Team	P	W	L	D	F	A	+/-	Pts
1	Newtown Jets	17	12	4	1	485	325	160	27
2	Penrith Panthers	17	12	5	0	470	282	188	26
3	North Sydney Bears	17	10	6	1	443	377	66	23
4	Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs	16	10	6	0	416	282	134	22
5	Parramatta Eels	17	10	7	0	410	318	92	22
6	Canberra Raiders	15	9	6	0	408	354	54	22
7	South Sydney Rabbitohs	16	9	7	0	401	323	78	20
8	St George Illawarra Dragons	16	7	8	1	386	448	-62	17
9	Newcastle Knights	17	7	10	0	371	409	-38	16
10	Mounties RLFC	16	5	11	0	297	432	-135	14
11	Western Suburbs Magpies	17	4	12	1	307	558	-251	11
12	Blacktown Workers Sea Eagles	17	2	15	0	240	526	-286	6

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ROUND 16 RESULTS

Kaiviti Silktails (28) Tries: Osea Natoga 2, Timoci Bola, Paula Walisiliso,

Meli Nasau; Goals: Mosese Quonimacawa 4 **def St Marys (18)** Tries:

Meni Luke, Geoff Daniela, Daniel Brown; Goals: Jake Rafferty-Butfield

3 **at Mascot Oval**

Glebe Dirty Reds (36) Tries: Tyrone Ranuku Phillips, Eli Levido,

Devon Makoare-Boyce, Dylan O'Connor, Riley Travers; Goals: Manaia

Rudolph 5, Eli Levido 1 **def Mounties (6)** Tries: Justin Filo; Goals: Liam

Christensen 1 **at Aubrey Keech Reserve**

Hills Bulls (45) Tries: Victor Tereszko, Timothy Robinson, Blake

Goodman, Maile Li, Dion Narayan, Curtis Wilson, TBA; Goals: Brad

Keighran 5, Timothy Robinson 1; Field Goals: Blake Goodman 1

def Blacktown Workers Sea Eagles (10) Tries: Jordan Main, Kenny

Soumpholphakdy; Goals: Dylan White 1 **at Crestwood Oval**

POSTPONED: Wentworthville Magpies v Western Suburbs Magpies

BYE: Ryde-Eastwood Hawks

LADDER AFTER ROUND 16

Pos	Team	P	W	L	D	F	A	+/-	Pts
1	Hills	13	12	1	0	391	142	249	28
2	St Marys	13	11	2	0	350	198	152	26
3	Glebe	14	10	4	0	436	246	190	24
4	Silktails	12	5	7	0	292	281	11	14
5	Wentworthville	12	5	7	0	250	250	0	14
6	Mounties	14	6	8	0	260	342	-82	14
7	RE Hawks	13	4	8	1	252	330	-78	13
8	B.W. Sea Eagles	14	3	10	1	234	430	-196	9
9	Western Subs.	13	2	11	0	154	400	-246	8

ROUND 17 FIXTURES BYE: Mounties

GLEBE DIRTY REDS v ST MARYS

Saturday 23 July 12:30pm, Henson Park, Marrickville

Referee: Martin Jones; Sideline Officials: Patrick Mackey, Nick Beashel

WESTERN SUBURBS MAGPIES v BLACKTOWN WORKERS SEA EAGLES

Saturday 23 July 3:00pm, Lidcombe Oval, Lidcombe

Referee: Karra-Lee Nolan; Sideline Officials: Charlie Suters, Paul Eden

KAIVITI SILKTAILS v WENTWORTHVILLE MAGPIES

Saturday 23 July 3:00pm, Mascot Oval, Mascot

Referee: Mitchell Currie; Sideline Officials: Adam Reid, Robert Morey

RYDE-EASTWOOD HAWKS v HILLS BULLS

Sunday 24 July 3:00pm, TG Milner Field, Marsfield

Referee: Nathan Loveday; Sideline Officials: Charlie Suters, Brad Kiehne

JERSEY FLEGG CUP (U21) - ROUND 19

NEWCASTLE KNIGHTS v ST GEORGE ILLAWARRA DRAGONS

Friday 22 July 5:30pm, McDonald Jones Stadium, New Lambton

Referee: Louis Matheson; Sideline Officials: Ben Teague, Brayden Hunt

NEWCASTLE: 1. David Armstrong 2. Ethan Ferguson 3. Chris Veaila 4. Jamen Johnson 5. Keanu Wainohu-Kemp 6. Kurt Donoghoe 7. Liam Sutton 8. Max Bradbury 9. Riley Jones 10. Jyris Glamuzina 11. Tevita Tolo 12. Thomas Cant 13. Lachlan O'brien 14. Noah Nailagoliva 15. Lachlan Williams 16. Carlin Pettet 17. Mitch Henderson 18. Logan Radziewicz **ST GEO ILLA:** 1. Callum Gromek 2. Ben Johnson 3. Jack Bostock 4. Hayden Budd 5. Cooper Roberts 6. Sam Hooper 7. Braxton Wallace 8. Thomas Phillips 9. Riley Wooden 10. Jackson Shereb 11. Duke Grant 12. Toby Couchman 13. Phoenix Vetenibua-Finnerty 14. Navajo Doyle 15. Jacob Webster 16. Harley Sanchez 17. Travis Barrett-Hancock 18. Bryce Magnone

CANBERRA RAIDERS v CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN BULLDOGS

Saturday 23 July 11:00am, GIO Stadium Canberra, Bruce

Referee: Brandon Mani; Sideline Officials: John Woods, Daniel Luttringer

CANBERRA: 1. Sione Vuki 2. Livai Kaloutolu 3. Deakin Bright 4. Harrison Leadbitter 5. Temple Beauchamp 6. Thomas Casey 7. Noah Ryan 8. Joshua Allen 9. Sione Moala 10. Eneseli Kamuta 11. Kaden Williams 12. Tane Kiriona 13. Mitchell Prest 14. Campbell Woolnough 15. Jayden Clarkson 16. Noah Saddler 17. Tate Rhea **CANTERBURY:** 1. Khaled Rajab 2. Jordi Mazzone 3. Eli Clark 4. Reuben Moyle 5. Jonathan Sua 6. Joseph O'neil 7. Bailey Hayward 8. Joshua Kalati 9. Brandon Clarke 10. Epeli Sukanaivalu 11. Lajuan Vito 12. Harry Hayes 13. Lipoi Hopoi 14. Joash Papali'i 15. Bayley Cox 16. Fahmy Toilalo 17. Lachlan Vale 19. Blake Layton

SOUTH SYDNEY RABBITOHS v VICTORIA THUNDERBOLTS

Saturday 23 July 3:30pm, Accor Stadium, Sydney Olympic Park

Referee: Adam Sirianni; Sideline Officials: Mitchell Stone, Blake Williams

SOUTHS: 1. Terrell Kalo Kalo 2. Carson Kaho 3. Zane Bijorac 4. Leon Te Hau 5. Tyrone Munro 6. Joseph Nohra 7. Mitchell Chester 8. Thomas Giles 9. Keahlan Bray 10. Isaiah Vailalo 11. Jaxson Rahme 12. Oscar Mezzomo 13. Trent Griffiths 14. Isaac Chapman 15. William Abou-Arrage 16. TJ Toevai 17. Taine Woodford 18. Cruise Tweedie 19. Dranza Hawe-De-Thierry **VICTORIA:** 2. Anisi Salani 3. Lodoviko Cokanauto 4. Ron Tooala 5. Deveraux Feo 6. Kade Roberts 7. Noah Natapu 8. Sheldon Diaz 9. Cole Geyer 10. Jack Natapu 11. Jared Nauma 12. Poasi Manu 13. Josiah-Ekkehhard Neli 14. Anthony Bucca 15. Tahj Amone 16. Zayvian Langkilde-Fale 17. Jerry Musu 18. Aman Singh 21. Sualauvi Faalogo

SYDNEY ROOSTERS v CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND SHARKS

Saturday 23 July 5:30pm, Mascot Oval, Mascot

Referee: Dillian Wells; Sideline Officials: Tom Stindl, Micheal Ford

SYDNEY: 1. Jack Mossman 2. Xavier Chatfield-Mooka 3. Jordan Swann 4. Jack Smith 5. Tevita Masima 6. Hugo Savala 7. Tyler Colley 8. Connagh Takairangi 9. Michael Coleman 10. Zac Montgomery 11. Corey Ross 12. Sione Vaenuku 13. Jack Stringer 15. Tayson Fakaosi 16. Cooper Page-Wilson 17. Joshua Bevan 18. Benaiah Ioelu 19. Petelo Kepaoa **CRONULLA:** 1. Kane Ball 2. Thomas Rodwell 3. Trentham Petersen 4. Noah Lester 5. Samuel Stonestreet 6. Manaia Waitere 7. Ryan Rivett 8. Toby Boothroyd 9. Samuel Healey 10. Rhys Dakin 11. Kai Parker 12. Kyle Pickering 13. Blake Hosking 14. Alec Brennan 15. Joshua Finau 16. Tully Wilton 17. Lachlan Crouch 18. Jake Biggs 19. Cody Fuz

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ROUND 16 RESULTS

St Marys (26) Tries: Kaleb Farr 2, Xavier Vaoliko-Savesi 2, Hayden Sutton, Orville Finau; Goals: Kaleb Farr 1 **def Sydney Roosters (24)** Tries: Drew Lloyd, Emery Jolliffe, Michael White, Lafitani Tuinauvai; Goals: Michael White 4 **at Mascot Oval**

Hills Bulls (40) Tries: Thomas Menzies 2, Sean Walpole, Jayden Griffin, Mitchell Hyde, Declan Murray, David Baumann; Goals: Mitchell Hyde 6 **def Penrith Brothers (16)** Tries: Solomone Lasalo, Nathan Carroll, Bailey Nouredine; Goals: TBA 2 **at Crestwood Oval**

Wentworthville United (16) Tries: Austin Quast, Becker Akl, Taringa Maungaati; Goals: Riley Lack 2 **def Moorebank Rams (8)** Tries: William Afualo, Compton Fuatimau **at Ringrose Park**

BYE: Ryde-Eastwood Hawks

LADDER AFTER ROUND 16

Pos	Team	P	W	L	D	F	A	+/-	Pts
1	St Marys	13	13	0	0	520	156	364	30
2	RE Hawks	12	8	4	0	280	272	8	22
3	Hills Bulls	13	8	5	0	378	256	122	18
4	Syd Roosters	12	5	7	0	298	344	-46	16
5	Moorebank	13	5	8	0	252	364	-112	14
6	Brothers	12	2	9	1	240	364	-124	11
7	Wenty United	13	2	10	1	202	414	-212	9

MANLY-WARRINGAH SEA EAGLES v PENRITH PANTHERS

Sunday 24 July 1:00pm, HE Laybutt Fields

Referee: Jack Bird; Sideline Officials: Benjamin Seppala, Tom Cambourn

MANLY: 1. Charlie Thompson 2. Sanele Aukusitino 3. Fletcher Myers 4. Jonah Palota-Kopa 5. Cameron Brown 6. Jason Smyth 7. Flynn Angles-Corke 8. Viliami Fifita 9. Gordon Chan Kum Tong 10. Sosaia Moala 11. Ajay Josefa 12. Samuela Fainu 13. Zac Fulton 14. Oliver Clements 15. Soakimi Fakaua 16. Seturi Iakopo 17. Jonathan Chan 19. Aufaga Autagavaia **PENRITH:** 1. Isaiah Longi 2. Daeron Amituanai 3. Samuel Lane 4. William Fakatoumahi 5. Cody Lawson 6. Jack Cole 7. Keagan Russell-Smith 8. Bradley Fearnley 9. Connor Mason 10. Ilai Tuia 11. Sunita Lotoaniu 12. Zac Lipowicz 13. Hohepa Puru 14. Ryley Smith 15. Tyreece Tonga 16. Daniel Sykes 17. John Sagaga 18. Addison Williams 19. Aston Warwick 20. Mason Teague

BYES: Parramatta Eels, Wests Tigers

ROUND 18 RESULTS

Penrith Panthers (26) Tries: Ryley Smith 2, Cody Lawson, Kristian Li Mai, Tyreece Matangi; Goals: Keagan Russell-Smith 3 **def Wests Tigers (16)** Tries: Kurt Picken, Jaycob Anjou, Michael Tannous; Goals: Zane Camroux 2 **at Leichhardt Oval**

Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs (38) Tries: Joseph O'Neill, Jordi Mazzone, Jonathan Sua, Harry Hayes, Bailey Hayward, Eli Clark, Brandon Clarke; Goals: Bailey Hayward 5 **def South Sydney Rabbitohs (12)** Tries: Keahlan Bray, Isaiah Vailalo; Goals: Tyrone Munro 2 **at Belmore Sports Ground**

St George Illawarra Dragons (20) Tries: Alex Lobb 2, Braxton Wallace, Duke Grant; Goals: Sam Hooper 2 **def Sydney Roosters (18)** Tries: Sione Vaenuku, Zac Montgomery, Xavier Chatfield-Mooka; Goals: Hugo Savala 3 **at Central Coast Stadium**

Parramatta Eels (40) Tries: Corey Fenning 2, Ethan Sanders, Turoa Williams, Ryan Jones, Jack Colovatti, Jayden Skinner, Matt Komolafe; Goals: Corey Fenning 4 **def Cronulla-Sutherland Sharks (6)** Tries: Kane Ball; Goals: Tully Wilton 1 **at Kellyville Park**

Manly-Warringah Sea Eagles (30) Tries: Sanele Aukusitino 2, Gordon Chan Kum Tong, Jamie Humphreys, Sam Fainu; Goals: Jamie Humphreys 4, Charlie Thompson 1 **def Newcastle Knights (12)** Tries: Liam Sutton, James Johnson; Goals: Thomas Cant 2 **at 4 Pines Park**

Canberra Raiders (24) Tries: Sione Vuki 3, Ata Mariota; Goals: Brad Schneider 3, Sione Vuki 1 **def Victoria Thunderbolts (12)** Tries: Cole Geyer 2; Goals: Sualauvi Faalogo 2 **at AAMI Park**

LADDER AFTER ROUND 18

Pos	Team	P	W	L	D	F	A	+/-	Pts
1	Sydney Roosters	17	14	3	0	552	242	310	30
2	St George Illawarra Dragons	17	10	5	2	382	300	82	24
3	Newcastle Knights	17	11	6	0	345	272	73	24
4	Cronulla-Sutherland Sharks	17	9	7	1	414	380	34	21
5	Penrith Panthers	17	9	8	0	428	366	62	20
6	Wests Tigers	17	9	8	0	350	352	-2	20
7	Canberra Raiders	16	8	8	0	327	446	-119	20
8	Manly-Warringah Sea Eagles	17	8	9	0	405	432	-27	18
9	Parramatta Eels	17	7	10	0	362	374	-12	16
10	Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs	17	6	10	1	332	409	-77	15
11	Victoria Thunderbolts	16	5	11	0	326	472	-146	14
12	South Sydney Rabbitohs	17	3	14	0	302	480	-178	8

Wests Tigers (21) Tries: Keele Browne 2, Jess Sergis, Josephine Lenaz; Goals: Emily Curtain 2; Field Goals: Emily Curtain 1 **def Cronulla-Sutherland Sharks (20)** Tries: Tiana Penitani, Talei Holmes, Zali Fay, Sam Bremner; Goals: Maddie Studdon 2 **at Campbelltown Stadium**

ROUND 17 FIXTURES **BYE:** Moorebank Rams

SYDNEY ROOSTERS v WENTWORTHVILLE UNITED

Saturday 23 July 1:00pm, Mascot Oval, Mascot

Referee: Tom Stindl; Sideline Officials: Ethan Klein, Robert Morey

RYDE-EASTWOOD HAWKS v HILLS BULLS

Sunday 24 July 1:00pm, TG Milner Field, Marsfield

Referee: Cameron Turner; Sideline Officials: Jack Bird, Brad Kiehne

BROTHERS PENRITH v ST MARYS

Sunday 24 July 3:00pm, Parker Street Reserve, Penrith

Referee: Luke Saldern; Sideline Officials: Luke Heckendorf, Paul Eden



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