

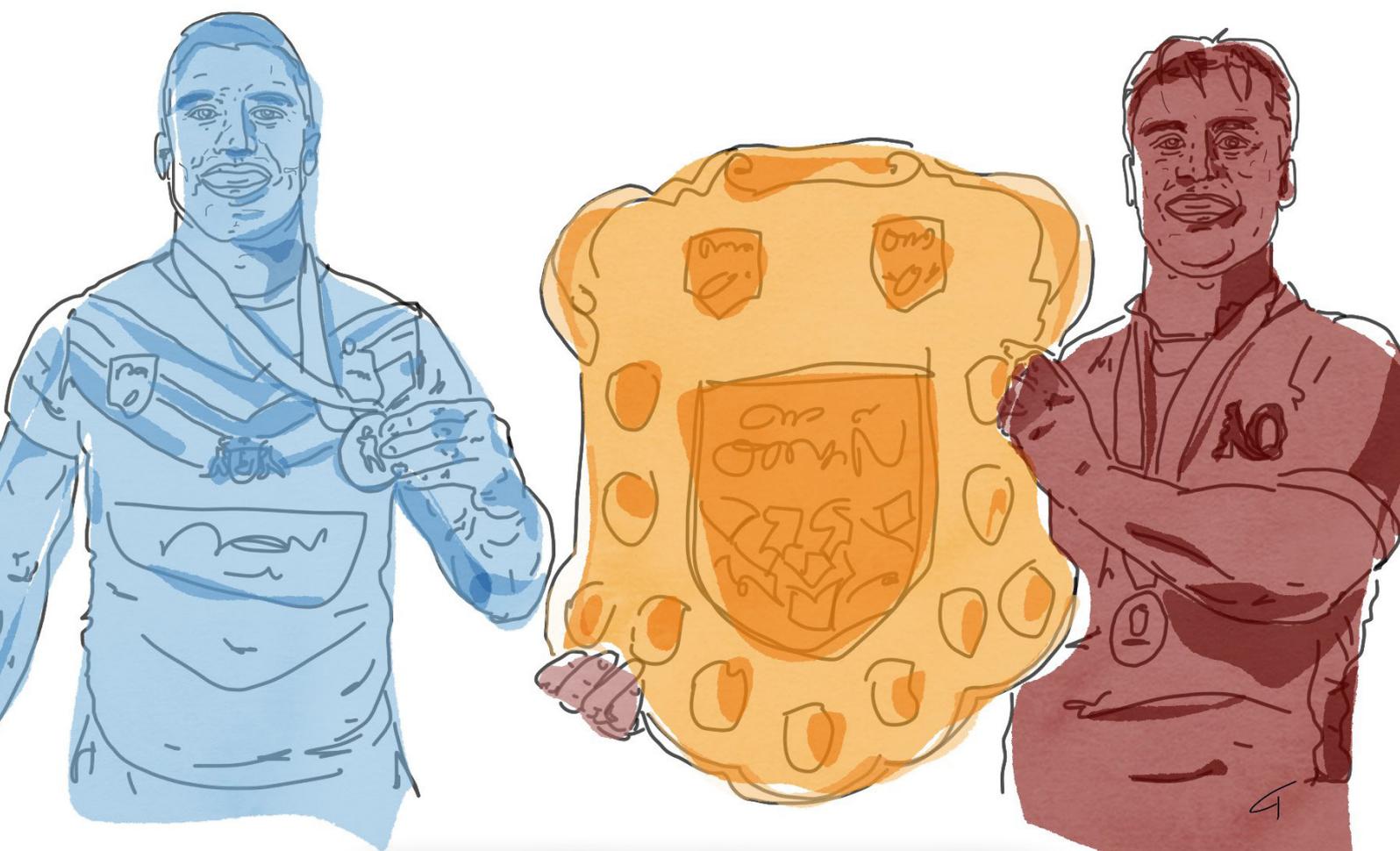
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WELCOME

TROY GRANT

Welcome to rugby league's International window weekend.

I couldn't be more excited about the first significant international matches being played in the Southern Hemisphere since 2020.

The return of New Zealand and Tonga playing men's and women's Tests in Auckland, and the spectacle that we know that will be, is just going to be a real shot in the arm that was needed.

The Pacific Test double-header in Campbelltown will be a wonderful celebration of the cultures of Samoa, Papua New Guinea, Fiji and the Cook Islands as the nations prepare for the World Cup in England at the end of the year.

On top of all that, on Wednesday Lebanon prepared for the World Cup by taking on Malta at Belmore on Wednesday night and last weekend we saw wins to England in men's, women's and wheelchair matches.

It's wonderful to have such a jam-packed schedule after we have been largely starved of international fixtures for the past two years and you can feel the excitement growing as we look to the World Cup that will celebrate and launch international rugby league into a very prosperous future.

Enjoy your international rugby league this weekend.

Hon. Troy Grant

Chair
International Rugby League



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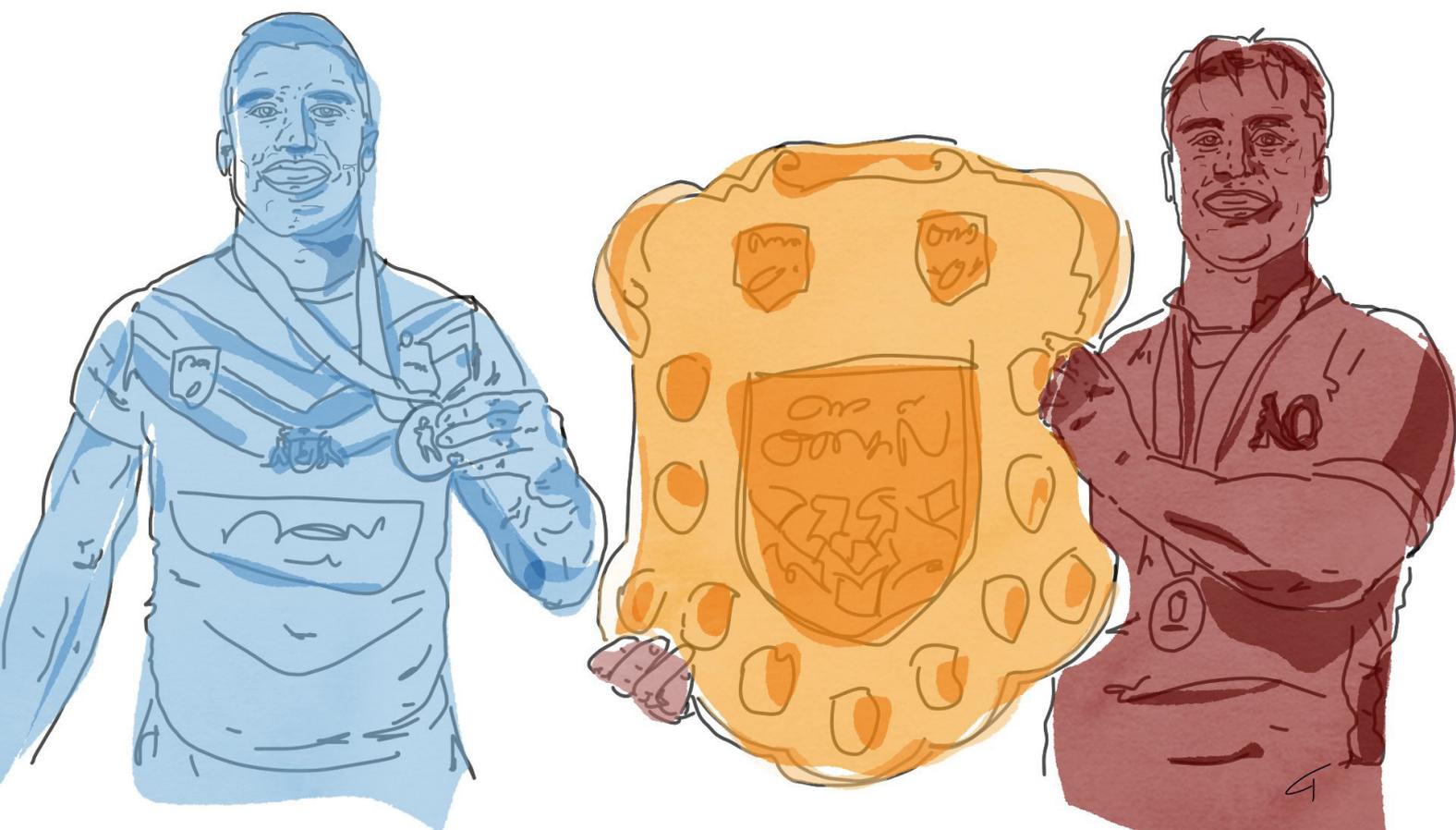
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THE BIG PICTURE

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LU PLAYER OF THE YEAR

AFTER NRL ROUND 15

20 points - Cameron Munster (Storm/QLD)

19 points - Ben Hunt (Dragons)

17 points - Nicho Hynes (Sharks), Daly Cherry-Evans (Sea Eagles)

16 points - Jahrome Hughes (Storm)

14 points - Nathan Cleary (Panthers)

13 points - Isaah Yeo (Panthers)

12 points - Joseph Tapine (Raiders), Mitchell Moses (Eels)

11 points - Jarome Luai (Panthers), Jackson Hastings (Wests Tigers)

10 points - James Tedesco (Roosters), Dylan Edwards (Panthers)

9 points - Scott Drinkwater (Cowboys), Haumole Olakau'atu (Sea Eagles), Tino Fa'asuamaleaui (Titans), Viliame Kikau (Panthers), Joseph Manu (Roosters), Jason Taumalolo (Cowboys), Ryan Papenhuyzen (Storm), Payne Haas (Broncos), Valentine Holmes (Cowboys/QLD)

8 points - Adam Reynolds (Broncos), Damien Cook (Rabbitohs), Jake Clifford (Knights), AJ Brimson (Titans)

7 points - Blayke Brailey (Sharks), Jeremiah Nanai (Cowboys), Junior Paulo (Eels), Siosifa Talakai (Sharks), Kalyn Ponga (Knights), Reuben Cotter (Cowboys), Selwyn Cobbo (Broncos), Harry Grant (Storm), Matt Burton (Bulldogs), Jack Wighton (Raiders/NSW)

6 points - Josh Addo-Carr (Bulldogs), Addin Fonua-Blake (Warriors), Taylan May (Panthers), Shaun Johnson (Warriors), Luke Keary (Roosters), Clinton Gutherson (Eels), Josh Papali'i (Raiders), Josh Curran (Warriors)

5 points - Jeremy Marshall-King (Bulldogs), Kieran Foran (Sea Eagles), Reece Walsh (Warriors), Tom Dearden (Cowboys), Will Kennedy (Sharks), Kotoni Staggs

(Broncos), Hudson Young (Raiders), Dylan Brown (Eels), Patrick Carrigan (Broncos), Matt Moylan (Sharks), Cameron Murray (Rabbitohs), Peta Hiku (Cowboys)

4 points - Cody Walker (Rabbitohs), Liam Martin (Panthers), Dane Gagai (Knights), Chad Townsend (Cowboys), Isaiah Papali'i (Eels), Ronaldo Mulitalo (Sharks), Kurt Capewell (Broncos), David Klemmer (Knights), Reece Robson (Cowboys), Reed Mahoney (Eels), Zac Lomax (Dragons), Sam Walker (Roosters), Herbie Farnworth (Broncos)

3 points - Reagan Campbell-Gillard (Eels), Tom Gilbert (Cowboys), Luke Thompson (Bulldogs), Sean O'Sullivan (Panthers), Lachlan Croker (Sea Eagles), Mikaele Ravalawa (Dragons), Matt Frawley (Raiders), Moses Suli (Dragons), Siosia Taukeiaho (Roosters), Marion Seve (Storm), Tyson Frizell (Knights), Reuben Garrick (Sea Eagles), Keon Koloamatangi (Rabbitohs), Ryan Sutton (Raiders), Ryan Matterson (Eels), Cody Ramsey (Dragons), Campbell Graham (Rabbitohs), Daejarn Asi (Cowboys), Te Maire Martin (Broncos), Brad Schneider (Raiders), Jock Madden (Wests Tigers), Apisai Koroisau (Panthers), Albert Kelly (Broncos), Alex Johnston (Rabbitohs), Toby Sexton (Titans), Jesse Ramien (Sharks), Josh Aloiai (Sea Eagles), Stephen Crichton (Panthers)

2 points - Tevita Pangai Junior (Bulldogs), Teig Wilton (Sharks), Dale Finucane (Sharks), Murray Taulagi (Cowboys), Hame Sele (Rabbitohs), Nat Butcher (Roosters), Nick Meaney (Storm), Justin Olam (Storm), Luke Garner (Wests Tigers), Felise Kaufusi (Storm), Adam Elliott (Raiders), Liam Knight (Rabbitohs), Jai Arrow (Rabbitohs), Tyrell Sloan (Dragons), Martin Taupau (Sea Eagles), Thomas Burgess (Rabbitohs), Tom Trbojevic (Sea Eagles), Greg Marzhev (Titans), Luciano Leilua (Wests Tigers), Kodi Nikorima (Warriors/Rabbitohs), Kyle Feldt (Cowboys), Lachlan Ilias (Rabbitohs), Shaun Lane (Eels), Jaydn Su'A (Dragons), Cameron McInnes (Sharks), Ken Maumalo (Wests Tigers), Dylan Walker (Sea Eagles), Luke Brooks (Wests Tigers), Phillip Sami (Titans), Izack Tago (Panthers)

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

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FRANCE 34 Ben Garcia, Mickael Goudemand, Eloi Pelissier, Julian Bousquet 2, Morgan Escare tries; Arthur Mourgue 2, Morgan Escare 3 goals **def WALES 10** Mike Butt, Dalton Grant tries; Matty Fozard 1 goal **at Stadium of Albi**

ENGLAND WOMEN 36 Hollie Dodd, Caitlin Beevers, Amy Hardcastle 2, Georgia Roche 2, Fran Goldthorp tries; Tara-Jane Stanley 4 goals **def FRANCE WOMEN 10** Christina Song Puche, Mailys Borak tries; Elisa Ciria 1 goal **at Halliwell Jones Stadium**

SUPER LEAGUE

ROUND 16 FIXTURES

THURSDAY 23 JUNE

8:00PM SKY ST HELENS v LEEDS TOTALLY WICKED STADIUM

FRIDAY 24 JUNE

8:00PM SKY WARRINGTON v HULL HALLIWELL JONES STADIUM
8:00PM WIGAN v TOULOUSE DW STADIUM

SUNDAY 26 JUNE

3:00PM SALFORD v WAKEFIELD AJ BELL STADIUM
3:15PM SKY HULL KR v HUDDERSFIELD SEWELL GROUP CRAVEN PARK
3:30PM CASTLEFORD v CATALANS MEND-A-HOSE JUNGLE

CHAMPIONSHIP

ROUND 16 FIXTURES

FRIDAY 24 JUNE

8:00PM SHEFFIELD v LEIGH OLYMPIC LEGACY PARK

SUNDAY 26 JUNE

3:00PM BRADFORD v DEWSBURY ODSAL STADIUM
FEATHERSTONE v BATLEY MILLENNIUM STADIUM
NEWCASTLE v WORKINGTON KINGSTON PARK
WHITEHAVEN v YORK LEL ARENA
WIDNES v LONDON DCBL STADIUM HALTON

MONDAY 27 JUNE

7:45PM PREM BARROW v HALIFAX MATT JOHNSON PRESTIGE STADIUM

ENGLAND 18 COMBINED NATIONS ALL STARS 4

BY STEVE MASCORD

ENGLAND coach Shaun Wane says only three starting positions in his opening World Cup team are decided – and man of the match against Combined Nations All Stars, John Bateman, isn't one of those players.

England corrected last year's defeat to their Barbarians-style opposition with an 18-4 success at Halliwell Jones Stadium with former Dally M second rower of the year Bateman scoring a try and setting up another.

But Wane had a mixed reaction to the performance and when asked how many spots were decided for the encounter with Samoa at St James' Park on October 15, replied: "I'm not sure John's is one of them.

"I'd say three or four are nailed on.

"When I say the door's open, I genuinely mean that and I proved that with Jake Wardell today. Matty Lees is playing well. I honestly don't give a ... I'm not that bothered what people think.

"I genuinely mean (10 starting spots are open). More than 10."

Wane named skipper Sam Tomkins as one of the three. "He'd be nailed on for the fullback spot but if his form dipped, he'd be out".

Prop Alex Walmsley, who was damaging against the All Stars, and winger Tommy Makinson, also outstanding, are thought to be the other two.

Bateman had some improving to do – not only between now and October but during the match, the coach said. "A couple of defensive errors early in the game, I don't know if you saw that...

"I think he needs to get rid of them. He got a message from me and he fixed it pretty quick. Overall, busy. He looked good but I honestly, genuinely think he can do a lot better.



"I played him in the middle, a bit of a free-roaming role today and he seemed to enjoy it. But there were a couple of details in what he did that he needs to get better at."

Wane said he did not see enough of the 'World Cup final actions' he had wanted from his players. "I saw some and I saw some that definitely weren't," he explained.

"The review of that game won't be a great review because I need certain things fixing, things which to me are unacceptable. The players, they'll know that's coming."

Ellery Hanley, the coach of the All Stars, also said England had vulnerabilities four months out from the World Cup.

"The bonus that they've got is they've ... numerous players to come back into their side that are NRL players," Hanley said.

"There is still some areas where they're vulnerable. We had three/four chances of scoring tries but we weren't clinical enough.

"I think you've got to be aware and not paper of the cracks and I'm sure Shaun won't. It's not for me to point out what areas in terms of what they should do and what they shouldn't do."

England's first try came after 11 minutes, to debutant Wardle. Bateman glided through the Combined Nations mid-field defence at 29 minutes before finding his former Canberra team-mate George Williams backing up inside to score.

And three minutes into the second half Bateman himself forced his way over for try approved by the video referee.

The All Stars' sole touchdown came from Ken Sio with 16 minutes remaining. "We weren't disciplined enough in terms of giving 15 penalties away compared to their seven," said Hanley.

ENGLAND 18 Joe Wardle, George Williams, John Bateman tries; Sam Tomkins 3 goals **def COMBINED NATIONS ALL STARS 4** Ken Sio try at Halliwell Jones Stadium



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ENGLAND 36 FRANCE 10 WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL

BY STEVE MASCORD

ENGLAND's rugby league women completed a clean sweep of their mid-season opposition of fellow amateurs but questions remain for the World Cup as to whether they can match the part-time pros of Australia and New Zealand.

France were added at Halliwell Jones Stadium to last week's scalp of Wales, a couple of tries in the final five minutes blowing out the score to 36-10.

But France's Laureane Biville was named player of the match, Craig Richards' side far from having things their own way.

Like Wales the previous weekend, France had improved to an almost startling degree since their previous match-up with England.

The French punished England in defence early and forced consecutive line-dropouts in a defiant display.

Eighteen minutes passed before a chink in the French defence was finally found, Georgia Roche laying on a gem of a ball for Hollie Dodd to Gallup through and score a converted try.

Nine more minutes elapsed before winger Caitlin Beevers dived over in the corner for another England try, which fullback Tara Stanley was unable to convert. She had added the extras on the first occasion, meaning the score was 10-0.

It didn't stay there for long, though.

Just two minutes after Beevers' touchdown, centre Any Hardcastle embarked on a diagonal run which took her over between the posts.

FRANCE 34 WALES 10

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WALES played their first game in more than three years, giving six players debuts, and came off decidedly second best against the French.

It was 12-0 at halftime following tries to Ben Garcia and Mickael Goudemand, Les Chanticleers utilising 12 Catalans players and four from Toulouse.

Swinton's Mike Butt posted the first Welsh try shortly after halftime but the mainly Super League-drawn home team continued to be too strong, with Dalton Grant posting a consolation effort for the visitors four minutes from fulltime.



Stanley's goal made it 16-0, which seemed unfair on the visitors.

Some semblance of a fair reflection was restored when, after some miraculous off-loads, winger Cristina Song Puche got the ball down for Les Chanticleers. Elisa Ciria's conversion hit the posts and the visitors went into the break 12 points down.

With the French down to 12 when Elodie Pacul was sent to the sin bin, Hardcastle claimed her second in the 49th minute, planting the ball over the line above her head when she was brought down on her back.

A crunching tryline tackle the ruck before could not stop Roche adding to England's total in the 57th minute. This time the conversion was successful.

France's second try came from Fanny Ramos while Roche also posted a try brace and Fran Goldthorpe crossed in the 78th minute.

ENGLAND WOMEN 36 Hollie Dodd, Caitlin Beevers, Amy Hardcastle 2, Georgia Roche 2, Fran Goldthorp tries; Tara-Jane Stanley 4 goals **def FRANCE WOMEN 10** Christina Song Puche, Maily Borak tries; Elisa Ciria 1 goal **at Halliwell Jones Stadium**

Captain Rhys Williams became Wales' most-capped player with his 31st appearance.

It finished six tries to two in windy conditions, Kear telling reporters: "I care about the game and the only way we're going to really grow and become a major sporting player is by having a very strong, competitive international game.

"My brother lives in Shrewsbury and he and his mates will go watch England and Combined Nations. But he and his mates aren't bothered about Warrington and Wigan.

"You've got to put that perspective on it and decide, 'Do we want to properly grow the game or not?'"

Two Catalans players picked up injuries. Arthur Mourgue has an ankle ligament problem while Jordan Dezaria needs foot surgery.

THE WRAP

NRL 2022 ROUND 15

THURSDAY 16 JUNE, 7:50PM

ST GEORGE ILLAWARRA 32 SOUTH SYDNEY 12

SCORERS

ST GEORGE ILLAWARRA DRAGONS (32) Tries: Ben Hunt, Mikaele Ravalawa (2), Jack de Belin, Moses Suli, Cody Ramsey; Conversions: Zac Lomax (4/6) **def SOUTH SYDNEY RABBITOHS (12)** Tries: Damien Cook, Cameron Murray; Conversions: Kodi Nikorima (2/2)

MATCH INFORMATION

Venue: WIN Stadium; **Crowd:** 11257; **Halftime Score:** St George Illawarra 32 South Sydney 0; **LeagueUnlimited.com Players of the Match:** 3 points - Ben Hunt, 2 points - Zac Lomax, 1 points - Blake Lawrie

FINAL TEAMLISTS

ST GEO ILLA: 1. Cody Ramsey 2. Mathew Feagai 3. Moses Suli 4. Zac Lomax 5. Mikaele Ravalawa 6. Talatau Amone 7. Ben Hunt 8. Jack de Belin 9. Andrew McCullough 10. Blake Lawrie 11. Jack Bird 12. Jaydn Su'A 13. Tariq Sims
INTERCHANGE 14. Moses Mbye 15. Francis Molo 16. Aaron Woods 17. Michael Molo **18TH PLAYER** 21. Jaiyden Hunt
SOUTHS: 1. Kodi Nikorima 2. Alex Johnston 3. Taane Milne 4. Campbell Graham 5. Jaxson Paulo 6. Cody Walker 7. Lachlan Ilias 8. Tevita Tatola 9. Damien Cook 10. Thomas Burgess 11. Keaon Koloamatangi 12. Jai Arrow 13. Cameron Murray
INTERCHANGE 14. Blake Taaffe 15. Mark Nicholls 16. Siliva Havili 17. Hame Sele **18TH PLAYER** 18. Peter Mamouzelos



FIRE FIRST HALF SEES DRAGONS WIN WITH EASE AGAINST SHOCKING SOUTH SYDNEY

The St George Illawarra Dragons have scored an upset win to rocket into the top eight on Thursday Night, putting up 32 points in the first half for a 20-point win against the South Sydney Rabbitohs.

The poor old Rabbitohs were in it right up until the kickoff, when Lachlan Ilias dropped the ball on the opening play of the match. Souths were able to hold the Dragons off on that occasion, but it wasn't a sign of things to come.

The Red V got a penalty in the fourth minute and put it to full use when Ben Hunt kicked early in the count for Zac Lomax. He beat Campbell Graham to the ball and found Hunt backing up on the inside, who dived in under the posts for the first points of the match.

Despite the first half blowout, Souths had some decent chances at the start of the first half, going on the attack courtesy of back to back set restarts following the first try. Campbell Graham put it down though, and the Dragons once again took full advantage, with Talatau Amone running right past Cam Murray and linking up with Mikaele Ravalawa in support, who made no mistake with the finish. The Dragons got a penalty on the next set and this is where you started to get the feeling that this was going to get ugly. They looked primed for a spread to the left, but Ben Hunt turned the ball inside for a hard running Jack de Belin, who crashed over the line to make the score 16-0 after just 15 minutes.

Souths challenged the next Dragons penalty but were unsuccessful, and Mat Feagai broke multiple tackles on the first play of the next set. Zac Lomax found himself one-on-one with Graham and beat him before flicking it to Ravalawa, who got past Johnston for his second try.

The Rabbitohs finally got the ball after the Dragons completed post the Ravalawa try, but they didn't put it to good use as Ilias' kick was fielded easily on the full in goal by Ramsey. The Dragons again went up the field and scored in the next set, with Ben Hunt putting up an imposing bomb kick that opposing winger Jaxson Paulo wanted nothing to do with. That was all Moses Suli needed, catching it cleanly and having a clean run to the line.

St George Illawarra again got a penalty coming out of their own end and again scored a try off the back of it, with Cody Ramsey stepping past Ilias and Paulo on his way to the try-line. The score was 32-0 after just 30 minutes. It was at that point that Souths coach Demetriou got the hook out for young half Lachy Ilias, opting to move Nikorima to the halves and Blake Taaffe to fullback. With just under 2 minutes left in the first half, Amone was sin-binned for taking Cody Walker out off the ball. The Dragons dug deep and held the Rabbitohs out for the full 10 minute period.

Souths had the lion's share of possession and field position in the second half and were finally able to breach the Dragons defence in the 58th minute, when Damien Cook burrowed his way over from dummy half. A few die hard Souths fans were daring to dream when Cam Murray crashed his way over the line five minutes later to give the scoreline of 32-12 with just over 15 minutes to go. They went close on a few other occasions and may have been a shout to pull it off if Ben Hunt hadn't intercepted Cook on the goal-line two minutes later. **ADAM HUXTABLE**

FRIDAY 17 JUNE, 6:00PM

NORTH QUEENSLAND 28 MANLY-WARRINGAH 26

SCORERS

NORTH QUEENSLAND COWBOYS (28) Tries: Valentine Holmes (2), Jeremiah Nanai, Reece Robson, Connelly Lemuelu; Conversions: Valentine Holmes (4/5) **def MANLY-WARRINGAH SEA EAGLES (26)** Tries: Christian Tuipulotu (2), Reuben Garrick, Lachlan Croker (2); Conversions: Reuben Garrick (3/5)

MATCH INFORMATION

Venue: 4 Pines Park; **Crowd:** 9266; **Halftime Score:** Manly-Warringah 10 North Queensland 6; **LeagueUnlimited.com Players of the Match:** 3 points - Lachlan Croker, 2 points - Valentine Holmes, 1 points - Jason Taumalolo

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. Josh Aloiai 9. Lachlan Croker 10. Toafofoa Siplely 11. Haumole Olakau'atu 12. Andrew Davey 13. Jake Trbojevic
INTERCHANGE 14. Dylan Walker 15. Josh Schuster 16. Martin Taupau 17. Sean Keppie **18TH PLAYER** 18. Taniela Paseka
NORTH QLD: 1. Scott Drinkwater 2. Hamiso Tabuai-Fidow 3. Valentine Holmes 4. Peta Hiku 5. Murray Taulagi 6. Tom Dearden 7. Chad Townsend 8. Jordan McLean 9. Reece Robson 16. Jamayne Taunoa-Brown 15. Coen Hess 12. Jeremiah Nanai 13. Jason Taumalolo
INTERCHANGE 11. Connelly Lemuelu 14. Jake Granville 17. Griffin Neame 19. Brendan Elliot **18TH PLAYER** 18. Ben Condon



LATE RAMPAGE SEES COWBOYS RIDE ON HOME WITH A TOP 4 PLACE

North Queensland have come back from a 14-point deficit to defeat Manly Warringah 28-26 in an enthralling and thrilling match at 4 Pines Park.

The Cowboys suffered a cruel blow minutes before kickoff when QLD representative Reuben Cotter strained his hamstring in the warmup forcing a late reshuffle and early on it appeared to work against the visitors with the Cowboys struggling to get out of yardage against a Manly side who had it all to play for in the logjam for the finals. It was the home side who got on the board first as we got a glimpse of what would become a theme of the contest. A lovely second kick from Kieran Foran found Christian Tuipulotu on the full and Manly would play from in front.

The defensive effort in the twenty-fourth minute would've reminded Todd Payten of last year as Morgan Harper burned the Cowboys defence before linking up with Reuben Garrick to lead 10-0. The kicking duals continued when North Queensland crossed for their first try just on the half-hour mark when Coen Hess batted the ball back which allowed Chad Townsend to put it on a dime for Valentine Holmes to cross. Harper might have some problems with the match-review committee when he appeared to knee Hamiso Tabuai-Fidow in the head, the Hammer wouldn't return after the incident as the Cowboys trailed by four at the break.

North Queensland started the second half the better side winning the forward battle and out-enthusing the Manly pack that dominated the opening 40. It was the noble kick that saw them take the lead when Andrew Davey dropped the ball straight into the bread basket of Jeremiah Nanai and the Cowboys led for the first time. Although their lead was short-lived when Tuipulotu flew above QLD hopeful Murray Taulagi to cross and retake the lead. Then, Lachlan Croker turned the game in a dramatic three-minute period which began with a booming 40/20 that turned all momentum back to Manly. A clever grubber from Daly Cherry-Evans in the ensuing set and Croker won the race to the ball and Manly were up by eight. Another passage of second kicks led to Croker's second when Croker chased his own kick that was nearly dropped by Josh Schuster and Croker won the race and Manly looked home and hosed.

But as we know, we don't doubt the Cowboys this season and began their comeback with eight minutes to play, Reece Robson was placed outside by Nanai and crashed over off yet another kick and reduced the margin to eight. Off the ensuing set, the Cowboys made an exciting interchange of play which saw Val Holmes link up with Taulagi who linked up with Connelly Lemuelu and the margin was cut to two. The game looked over when Nanai dropped the kickoff, but a lapse in concentration from DCE saw him hit strongly by Scott Drinkwater and Val Holmes raced 90 meters to put the Cowboys in front. Despite a last-ditch effort from Manly, North Queensland held on for a famous victory away from home. **AJ LUCANTONIO**

FRIDAY 17 JUNE, 7:55PM

MELBOURNE 32 BRISBANE 20

SCORERS

MELBOURNE STORM (32) Tries: Tui Kamikamica, Cameron Munster, Jahrome Hughes (2), Dean Ieremia (2); Conversions: Nick Meaney (4/6); Penalty Goals: Nick Meaney (0/1) **def BRISBANE BRONCOS (20)** Tries: Corey Oates (2), Selwyn Cobbo, Ezra Mam; Conversions: Kotoni Staggs (2/4)

MATCH INFORMATION

Venue: AAMI Park; **Crowd:** 19253; **Halftime Score:** Melbourne 16 Brisbane 16; **LeagueUnlimited.com Players of the Match:** 3 points - Jahrome Hughes, 2 points - Justin Olam, 1 points - Tyrone Roberts

FINAL TEAMLISTS

MELBOURNE: 1. Nick Meaney 2. Dean Ieremia 3. Marion Seve 4. Justin Olam 5. Grant Anderson 6. Cameron Munster 7. Jahrome Hughes 8. Jesse Bromwich 9. Harry Grant 10. Tui Kamikamica 11. Felise Kaufusi 12. Kenny Bromwich 14. Brandon Smith

INTERCHANGE 10. Nelson Asofa-Solomona 13. Josh King 16. Trent Loiero 17. Chris Lewis **18TH PLAYER** 22. Tyrone Wishart

BRISBANE: 1. Te Maire Martin 2. Corey Oates 3. Kotoni Staggs 4. Brenko Lee 5. Selwyn Cobbo 6. Ezra Mam 7. Tyrone Roberts 8. Corey Jensen 9. Billy Walters 10. Payne Haas 11. Kurt Capewell 12. Jordan Riki 13. Patrick Carrigan

INTERCHANGE 14. Jake Turpin 15. Kobe Hetherington 16. Thomas Flegler 17. Keenan Palasia **18TH PLAYER** 18. Jordan Pereira



MELBOURNE MAINTAINS DOMINANCE OVER BRISBANE

The Melbourne Storm have extended their dominance over the Brisbane Broncos to 11 consecutive victories with a 32-20 win at AAMI Park.

Rallying from a 16-6 deficit late in the opening half, Melbourne halfback Jahrome Hughes guided the home side back into the contest to the delight of the largest regular season crowd recorded at AAMI Park, excluding ANZAC Day fixtures, since the onset of the pandemic.

Getting off to a positive start with Harry Grant delivering a short pass close to the try line, Fijian front-rower Tui Kamikamica (8th minute) made the most of his chance in the starting side by crossing for his first try of the season.

Holding off a further try to Dean Ieremia that was overturned by the bunker upon review, the Broncos responded with Corey Oates (17th minute) finishing off a spectacular over the head pass from Kurt Capewell.

Going from one end of the field to the other after Justin Olam was denied a four-pointer due to an obstruction call against Cameron Munster, Oates (24th minute) collected his second despite Hughes appearing to be impeded in the lead up.

Continuing the flow of points with Ieremia losing the ball from a kick-return, former Newcastle and Gold Coast playmaker Tyrone Roberts showed his experience with a sensational cut-out pass for Selwyn Cobbo (26th minute) to score.

Facing a ten-point deficit shortly before the break, Hughes took it upon himself to level the scores by chipping early in the tackle count for Munster (35th minute) before combining with Nick Meaney to collect a try of his own (38th minute).

Striking a crucial blow shortly before the hour mark, Melbourne made the most of field position from a penalty with Ieremia (56th minute) breaking the halftime deadlock.

Securing the victory to the delight of 19,253 supporters with a left side shift involving all of the side's spine players, Ieremia (63rd minute) slid over to collect his second try of the evening.

Finishing the scoring with Hughes (74th minute) taking on the line and diving on his own grubber, the visitors had the final say of the evening with Ezra Mam (78th minute) finishing off a length of the field break from Billy Walters moments before the final siren.

Following next week's representative weekend, the Storm will travel to 4 Pines Park for a Thursday night encounter against the Sea Eagles, while the Broncos will face the Cowboys at Queensland Country Bank Stadium on Saturday evening. **ROB CROSBY**

SATURDAY 18 JUNE, 3:00PM

CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND 18 GOLD COAST 10

SCORERS

CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND SHARKS (18) Tries: Sione Katoa, Matt Moylan, Blayke Brailey; Conversions: Nicho Hynes (2/3); Penalty Goals: Nicho Hynes (1/1) **def GOLD COAST TITANS (10)** Tries: Beau Farmor, Greg Marzhew; Conversions: Jamayne Isaako (1/2)

MATCH INFORMATION

Venue: C.ex Coffs International Stadium; **Crowd:** 9058; **Halftime Score:** Cronulla-Sutherland 10 Gold Coast 10; **LeagueUnlimited.com Players of the Match:** 3 points - Matt Moylan, 2 points - Will Kennedy, 1 points - Teig Wilton

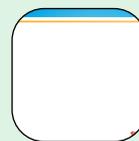
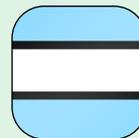
FINAL TEAMLISTS

CRONULLA: 1. Will Kennedy 2. Sione Katoa 3. Jesse Ramien 4. Siosifa Talakai 5. Ronaldo Mulitalo 6. Matt Moylan 7. Nicho Hynes 8. Toby Rudolf 9. Blayke Brailey 10. Royce Hunt 11. Briton Nikora 12. Wade Graham 13. Cameron McInnes

INTERCHANGE 14. Aiden Tolman 15. Braydon Trindall 16. Teig Wilton 19. Dale Finucane **18TH PLAYER** 18. Connor Tracey

GOLD COAST: 1. AJ Brimson 2. Greg Marzhew 3. Brian Kelly 4. Patrick Herbert 5. Jamayne Isaako 6. Paul Turner 7. Toby Sexton 8. Jarrod Wallace 9. Erin Clark 10. Isaac Liu 11. Sam McIntyre 12. Beau Farmor 13. Tino Fa'asamaleau

INTERCHANGE 14. Tanah Boyd 15. Moeaki Fotuauka 16. Jaimin Jolliffe 17. Sam Lisone **18TH PLAYER** 18. Sosefo Fifita



SLOPPY SHARKS TOO GOOD FOR FLAT TITANS

Cronulla never looked threatened in their match against the last placed Gold Coast Titans, despite a low scoring 18-10 win.

Both sides turned the ball over so regularly that you'd be forgiven for thinking it was played in wet weather.

The Sharks scored in the 10th minute when a right-side play resulted in William Kennedy tapping on a pass brilliant and perfectly to his unmarked winger and Sione Katoa strolled in to score in the corner. Nicho Hynes failed to convert from touch.

Six minutes later, the Sharks extended their lead and it looked like they were in a mood to rack up a big score, when Matt Moylan received a ball on the left side. Stepped off his left foot, straightened his run and went through the tattered Titans goal line defence to score a good solo try. Hynes converted.

The Gold Coast Titans responded almost immediately when AJ Brimson ran down the short side, created an overlap and put Beau Farmor into space. The big man raced away, before throwing a perfectly timed dummy, which Kennedy fell for. Farmor then ran in to score a good try. Jamayne Isaako converted.

The Titans equalised in the 24th minute when Greg Marzhew scored a brilliant try when he managed to score in the left corner, despite looking like he was going to be bundled into touch by Ronaldo Mulitalo. Isaako failed to convert from out wide. The scores remained lock at 10 apiece until halftime.

Five minutes after play resumed, Moylan put Teig Wilton through a small gap with a lovely short ball. Wilton progressed up to the Titans line before getting a good offload away to Blayke Brailey in support and the talented rake dived over to score. Hynes converted to give the Sharks the lead again.

Hynes added a penalty in the 60th minute to give the Sharks an 8 point buffer on the scoreboard.

Both sides went close to scoring on a number of occasions in the final 20 minutes, but more frequent was the ill-discipline, poor ball control and placid last tackle options by both sides. A manic last few seconds saw both sides almost score but fittingly, neither did. **ANDREW FERGUSON**

THE WRAP

NRL 2022 ROUND 15

SATURDAY 18 JUNE, 5:30PM

PENRITH 40 WARRIORS 6

SCORERS

PENRITH PANTHERS (40) Tries: Moses Leota, Dylan Edwards, Taylan May, Brian To'o (2), Isaah Yeo, Liam Martin; Conversions: Nathan Cleary (5/6), Stephen Crichton (1/1) **def WARRIORS (6)** Tries: Josh Curran; Conversions: Reece Walsh (1/1)

MATCH INFORMATION

Venue: Moreton Daily Stadium; **Crowd:** 8127; **Halftime Score:** Warriors 0 Penrith 18; **LeagueUnlimited.com Players of the Match:** 3 points - Apisai Koroisau, 2 points - Dylan Edwards, 1 points - Reece Walsh

FINAL TEAMLISTS

WARRIORS: 1. Reece Walsh 2. Dallin Watene-Zelezniak 3. Jesse Arthurs 4. Adam Pompey 5. Marcelo Montoya 6. Ronald Volkman 7. Shaun Johnson 23. Addin Fonua-Blake 9. Wayde Egan 10. Jazz Tevaga 11. Jack Murchie 13. Josh Curran 12. Tohu Harris

INTERCHANGE 8. Bunty Afoa 14. Chanel Harris-Tavita 16. Dunamis Lui 17. Bayley Sironen **18TH PLAYER** 20. Eliesa Katoa

PENRITH: 1. Dylan Edwards 2. Taylan May 3. Izack Tago 4. Stephen Crichton 5. Brian To'o 6. Jarome Luai 7. Nathan Cleary 8. Moses Leota 9. Apisai Koroisau 10. James Fisher-Harris 11. Viliame Kikau 12. Liam Martin 13. Isaah Yeo

INTERCHANGE 14. Mitch Kenny 15. Scott Sorensen 16. Spencer Leniu 17. Jaeman Salmon **18TH PLAYER** 19. Matt Eisenhuth



BRAVE WARRIORS PLUCKED BY PANTHERS AS THEY BID FAREWELL TO FORTRESS AUSTRALIA

The New Zealand Warriors have bid farewell to Fortress Australia in disappointing circumstances going down to the defending premiers 40-6 in front of a big crowd at Moreton Daily Stadium.

It was a tough and tenacious start for the New Zealanders, holding the Panthers at bay and asking plenty of attacking questions towards the Panthers' defence. Penrith thought they crossed early through Dylan Edwards but the Bunker found a tiny knock-on from Liam Martin in the lead-up and the try was taken off them. Off the back of some untimely disciplinary breakdowns, the Panthers crossed when Moses Leota received a lovely pass from Api Koroisau and the Panther express was in full flight from there on. Five minutes later, a well-worked scrum play saw Nathan Cleary pass on the inside to Dylan Edwards and Penrith was motoring onto an impressive 12-0 lead.

New Zealand worked their way back into the game and forced some pressure on the Panthers' defence but was never able to break through the defence through the opening 40 minutes. But, you can never afford to give Penrith a sniff of possession and Taylan May continued his strong try-scoring form with a spectacular finish right on half-time and with the circus act of Cleary's sideline conversion. Penrith had an 18-0 lead at the change of ends.

Penrith's dominance in the competition continued in the second 40, despite an early lack of patience in their attack which led to several errors and many penalties conceded. But a lovely set-up down the right which saw Edwards link up with Cleary who found Stephen Crichton who passed onto Brian To'o and the NSW origin combination connected.

It was a procession down the middle of the field just shy of the hour mark, this led to Isaah Yeo to cross on the back of a lovely pass from Koroisau who did his NSW hopes the world of good with another great performance. Liam Martin crashed over running over the top of NRL debutant Ronald Volkman to cross. New Zealand wouldn't go away and it was a clever 40/20 from Chanel Harris-Tavita which gave them their sole try of the match off a sweeping movement from Volkman to Reece Walsh who found Josh Curran to cross. Penrith had the final say when To'o crossed for his second on the stroke of full-time.

New Zealand have completed their tour of duty, and their two and a half years of thankless sacrifices come to an end as they can finally return home to Auckland before a massive home crowd at Mt Smart, Penrith meanwhile takes on an inconsistent Roosters side in two Friday's time. **AJ LUCANTONIO**

SATURDAY 18 JUNE, 7:35PM

PARRAMATTA 26 SYDNEY 16

SCORERS

PARRAMATTA EELS (26) Tries: Dylan Brown, Isaiah Papali'i, Clinton Gutherson, Maika Sivo, Reed Mahoney; Conversions: Mitchell Moses (3/5) **def SYDNEY ROOSTERS (16)** Tries: Joseph Suaalii (2), Sitili Tupouniua; Conversions: Sam Walker (2/3)

MATCH INFORMATION

Venue: CommBank Stadium; **Crowd:** 21757; **Halftime Score:** Parramatta 26 Sydney 12; **LeagueUnlimited.com Players of the Match:** 3 points - Junior Paulo, 2 points - Reagan Campbell-Gillard, 1 points - Lindsay Collins

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 15. Ryan Matterson 13. Isaiah Papali'i

INTERCHANGE 12. Marata Niukore 14. Makahesi Makatoa 16. Oregon Kaufusi 21. Ky Rodwell **18TH PLAYER** 19. Jakob Arthur

SYDNEY: 1. James Tedesco 2. Daniel Tupou 3. Billy Smith 4. Joseph Manu 5. Joseph Suaalii 6. Sam Walker 15. Drew Hutchison 8. Lindsay Collins 9. Sam Verrills 10. Siosua Taukeiaho 11. Angus Crichton 12. Sitili Tupouniua 13. Nat Butcher

INTERCHANGE 14. Connor Watson 16. Egan Butcher 17. Fletcher Baker 19. Daniel Suluka-Fifita **18TH PLAYER** 20. Paul Momirovski



BAD TO BRILLIANT - PARRAMATTA REIGNITE THEIR FORM

Bouncing back from an awful performance last week, the Parramatta Eels have shown they can be one of the most damaging teams in the competition with their 26-16 win over the Roosters at Parramatta.

The opening forty minutes was arguably one of the greatest halves in Rugby League since the Panthers won the 2021 NRL premiership. Both teams had moments of brilliance starting with the Sydney Roosters who were able to get over first when Joseph Suaalii was able to score in the Northeast corner after some good hands caught the Eels out and the Bondi boys led.

The Eels then showed why they are one of the most entertaining teams in the competition when the Blue and Gold hit back through Dylan Brown after Parramatta were able to keep the ball alive with some good work and Shaun Lane put Brown through to score.

A second try came for Parramatta as Isaiah Papali'i had too much speed to beat the defenders in front of him and then had the size to get over the top of James Tedesco for the Eels second try. The third try was as thing of beauty again for Parramatta as they spread the ball across the field and again Shaun Lane's offload was the difference as he put Clint Gutherson through.

The Roosters halted the Eels scoreboard momentum temporarily when Sam Walker found Sitili Tupouniua with a flattish pass that sent the Roosters second rower through empty space up the middle of the park to score.

Turning back the clock, Maika Sivo was charging over defenders and he was back in the scorers list when the Eels were able to keep it alive despite the Roosters looking shutting down the play multiple times.

The final try of the first half, was just as good as anything they dished out earlier in the night with the speed of Mitch Moses causing issues when he ran out towards the sideline and put Bailey Simonsson into space before the ball ended up with Ryan Matterson and eventually Reed Mahoney who scored.

The Roosters needed to find something in the second half trailing 26-12 at the break and early on in the second half, the Eastern Suburbs side found it when some individual brilliance from Joseph Suaalii saw the Roosters get on the board again when he kicked over the top for himself and got the best bounce possible and scored out wide. Sam Walker missed the kick and kept the score at 26-16.

For a game that had 38 points in the first half, the points dried up significantly with neither side adding points beyond that despite both sides having chances in particular the Roosters who were denied on regular occasions by the Blue and gold.

In a fortnight's time, the Eels have a clash against the South Sydney Rabbitohs at Homebush whilst the Roosters will be staring down a fourth straight loss when they have to travel to Penrith to take on the Panthers. **JOSH ROBERTSON**

SUNDAY 19 JUNE, 2:00PM

CANBERRA v NEWCASTLE

SCORERS

CANBERRA RAIDERS (20) Tries: Nick Cotric, Matthew Timoko, Xavier Savage, Hudson Young; Conversions: Jamal Fogarty (2/4) **def** **NEWCASTLE KNIGHTS (18)** Tries: Kurt Mann, Mathew Croker, Edrick Lee; Conversions: Kalyon Ponga (3/3)

MATCH INFORMATION

Venue: GIO Stadium Canberra; **Crowd:** 12457; **Halftime Score:** Canberra 14 Newcastle 6; **LeagueUnlimited.com Players of the Match:** 3 points - Joseph Tapine, 2 points - Kalyon Ponga, 1 points - Hudson Young

FINAL TEAMLISTS

CANBERRA: 1. Xavier Savage 2. Nick Cotric 3. Matthew Timoko 4. Sebastian Kris 5. Jordan Rapana 23. Matt Frawley 7. Jamal Fogarty 8. Josh Papali'i 9. Zac Woolford 10. Joseph Tapine 11. Hudson Young 12. Elliott Whitehead 13. Adam Elliott

INTERCHANGE 14. Tom Starling 15. Ryan Sutton 17. Corey Horsburgh 19. James Schiller **18TH PLAYER** 16. Corey Harawira-Naera

NEWCASTLE: 1. Kalyon Ponga 2. Edrick Lee 3. Dane Gagai 4. Enari Tuala 5. Dominic Young 6. Anthony Milford 21. Adam Clune 8. David Klemmer 9. Chris Randall 15. Leo Thompson 11. Tyson Frizell 12. Mitchell Barnett 13. Kurt Mann

INTERCHANGE 10. Jacob Saifiti 14. Simi Sasagi 16. Mathew Croker 17. Pasami Saulo **18TH PLAYER** 18. Phoenix Crossland



FAST-STARTING RAIDERS SURVIVE FAST FINISHING KNIGHTS IN SEE-SAWING AFFAIR

The Canberra Raiders have ensured they kept pace with the scramble for the top 8 on Sunday Afternoon, scoring a go-ahead try in the dying stages to beat the Knights 20 points to 18.

If someone had told you after the first 30 or so minutes that there would be 38 points would be scored, you would've assumed that the Raiders had scored a 38-0 victory, or something in that vicinity.

The first try was scored 11 minutes in after Fogarty forced one of the first of many repeat sets. Joe Tapine of all people threw a cutout pass that got Cotric one-on-one with Young, with Cotric getting the better of his counterpart and getting over the line. A Leo Thompson could drop put the Raiders back on the attack, and after another couple of repeat sets they were over the line once again. Matt Timoko produced an individual effort on Enari Tuala not dissimilar to the one he made on Momirovski a fortnight ago, brushing off his opposite number with ease on his way to the line.

Tuala was again responsible for the next Raiders try, dropping the ball and relinquishing any momentum his side had built up. The Raiders then went down the field and scored, with Xavier Savage flying above the Knights defenders to score. Fogarty then nailed his first conversion of the day, making the score 14-0. From the 30th-36th minute, there were about 5 or 6 errors made, with both sides squandering opportunities equally. The Knights finally held the ball for a bit, and when they scored a try right on half time courtesy of a Ponga dummy half pass to Mann, Raiders fans were starting to sweat, thinking that they'd seen this movie before.

They had indeed seen this movie before. An 8 point lead was clearly not enough considering their domination throughout the first half, and the Knights made it clear that they weren't going anywhere when they scored a minute after Elliott Whitehead went to the sin bin for a late hit. Ponga put a grubber in that Mat Croker won the race to. The Raiders attack was then the most disjointed it's been in weeks, making multiple errors that left the door open for the Knights.

They paid the price when, after Rapana's pass went into touch, the Knights took the lead in a relatively nonchalant set. Clune got an offload to Barnett in space, who then found Edrick Lee. The former Raider was way too strong for Savage and all of a sudden the Knights had taken the lead. Newcastle appeared to come up with a dagger, when Savage again made an error in trying to keep a 40/20 in the field of play, knocking on while diving on the ball and allowing Edrick Lee to pick it up and score untouched. The green machine were saved by the bunker though, who ruled that Tuala had knocked on after Savage did the same.

Despite that, it looked as though the Knights would hang on. Joe Tapine saved the day by catching the ball and staying in the field of play, but they still had to go 98 metres in 3 minutes. That's exactly what they did. They were helped by a penalty, but the way Newcastle were defending and Canberra were attacking it seemed as though it'd be too little too late.

Hudson Young knew this, and decided that he simply wasn't going to lose this game. On the third tackle, he identified Ponga in the defensive line and grubbered ahead for himself, winning the race and scoring the try that tied the game. Fogarty made no mistake with the conversion, and the Raiders got out of jail, keeping pace with the Rabbits, Dragons, Roosters and Manly in the race for those final two top eight spots. **ADAM HUXTABLE**

SUNDAY 19 JUNE, 4:05PM

CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN 36 WESTS TIGERS 12

SCORERS

CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN BULLDOGS (36) Tries: Jeremy Marshall-King, Jake Averillo (2), Jacob Kiraz, Kurtis Morrin, Aaron Schoupp; Conversions: Matt Burton (6/6) **def** **WESTS TIGERS (12)** Tries: David Nofaloama, James Tamou; Conversions: Luke Brooks (2/2)

MATCH INFORMATION

Venue: CommBank Stadium; **Crowd:** 14806; **Halftime Score:** Canterbury-Bankstown 12 Wests Tigers 6; **LeagueUnlimited.com Players of the Match:** 3 points - Jeremy Marshall-King, 2 points - Tevita Pangai Junior, 1 points - Matt Burton

FINAL TEAMLISTS

CANTERBURY: 1. Jake Averillo 2. Jacob Kiraz 3. Aaron Schoupp 4. Corey Allan 5. Josh Addo-Carr 6. Matt Burton 7. Kyle Flanagan 8. Max King 9. Jeremy Marshall-King 10. Paul Vaughan 11. Josh Jackson 15. Corey Waddell 13. Tevita Pangai Junior **INTERCHANGE** 12. Raymond Faitala-Mariner 14. Zach Dockar-Clay 16. Joe Stimson 17. Kurtis Morrin **18TH PLAYER** 21. Jayden Tanner

WESTS TIGERS: 1. Daine Laurie 2. David Nofaloama 3. Starford To'a 4. Asu Kepaoa 5. Ken Maumalo 6. Luke Brooks 7. Jackson Hastings 15. Alex Twal 9. Jacob Liddle 10. Zane Musgrove 11. Luke Garner 12. Kelma Tuilagi 13. Joe Ofahengaue

INTERCHANGE 8. James Tamou 14. Fa'amanu Brown 16. Adam Doueihy 17. Alex Seyfarth **18TH PLAYER** 21. Junior Tupou



"ARE YOU NOT ENTERTAINED?" - BULLDOGS MAKE A STATEMENT

The Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs have posted back-to-back wins for the first time since the onset of COVID-19 by trouncing the Wests Tigers 36-12 at CommBank Stadium.

Backing up their Easter Monday rout over Parramatta with a further six tries against the joint venture, the win - played before a vocal crowd of 14,806 supporters - sees the blue and whites move up to 13th on the ladder ahead of next week's round of representative fixtures.

The Tigers were dealt a blow less than a minute into proceedings with Alex Twal, promoted into the starting side for only the third time this season, needing to be assisted from the field by the medicab after colliding with the ground while pressuring Matt Burton on the last tackle.

Getting the better of their opponents during the opening stages with Burton and Kyle Flanagan forcing repeat sets with their kicking games, underrated hooker Jeremy Marshall-King (14th minute) burrowed over from close range to open the scoring.

Responding a few sets later with Luke Brooks putting up a cross-field bomb, David Nofaloama (18th minute) managed to outfox Josh Addo-Carr with a great catch and even better put down narrowly inside the corner post.

The Bulldogs regained the lead midway through the first 40 minutes with Jake Averillo (25th minute) splitting the Tigers defence from dummy half to give the home side a six-point break at the change of ends.

Exchanging sets after halftime with the contest poised to go either way, the Bulldogs struck a major blow with Jacob Kiraz collecting a Burton bomb and offloading to give Averillo (50th minute) his second of the afternoon.

Electing to run the ball on the last tackle a few sets after scoring, the Bulldogs were rewarded with Corey Allan combining to send Kiraz (54th minute) over for his third try in the top grade.

Securing the result with Addo-Carr running across the field before Kurtis Morrin (63rd minute) in support, the debutant's joy was short-lived after sustaining a shoulder injury minutes later.

Keeping the points flowing with Aaron Schoupp (68th minute) running the length of the field from an intercept, the Tigers had the final say with James Tamou (79th minute) crossing for a consolation four-pointer second before the final siren.

Following the representative weekend, the Bulldogs will host the Sharks at CommBank Stadium on Saturday afternoon, while the Tigers will travel across the Tasman on Sunday afternoon for the Warriors homecoming. **ROBERT CROSBY**

NRL 2022 LADDER & STATS

AFTER ROUND 15

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 | 8 | 7 | 1 | - | 240 | 96 | +144 | 7 | 7 | - | - | 216 | 62 | +154 | 15 | 14 | 1 | - | 456 | 158 | 28 | +298 | | |
| 2. | Melbourne Storm^B | 9 | 7 | 2 | - | 295 | 136 | +159 | 5 | 4 | 1 | - | 138 | 88 | +50 | 14 | 11 | 3 | - | 433 | 224 | 24 | +209 | | |
| 3. | North Queensland Cowboys | 7 | 5 | 2 | - | 167 | 78 | +89 | 8 | 6 | 2 | - | 211 | 119 | +92 | 15 | 11 | 4 | - | 378 | 197 | 22 | +181 | | |
| 4. | Cronulla-Sutherland Sharks^B | 8 | 6 | 2 | - | 173 | 128 | +45 | 6 | 3 | 3 | - | 143 | 120 | +23 | 14 | 9 | 5 | - | 316 | 248 | 20 | +68 | | |
| 5. | Brisbane Broncos^B | 7 | 5 | 2 | - | 152 | 129 | +23 | 7 | 4 | 3 | - | 160 | 126 | +34 | 14 | 9 | 5 | - | 312 | 255 | 20 | +57 | | |
| 6. | Parramatta Eels^B | 6 | 4 | 2 | - | 152 | 134 | +18 | 8 | 5 | 3 | - | 187 | 169 | +18 | 14 | 9 | 5 | - | 339 | 303 | 20 | +36 | | |
| 7. | South Sydney Rabbitohs^B | 7 | 5 | 2 | - | 196 | 148 | +48 | 7 | 2 | 5 | - | 126 | 153 | -27 | 14 | 7 | 7 | - | 322 | 301 | 16 | +21 | | |
| 8. | St George Illawarra Dragons^B | 7 | 5 | 2 | - | 131 | 120 | +11 | 7 | 2 | 5 | - | 122 | 205 | -83 | 14 | 7 | 7 | - | 253 | 325 | 16 | -72 | | |
| 9. | Sydney Roosters | 7 | 4 | 3 | - | 159 | 144 | +15 | 8 | 3 | 5 | - | 160 | 146 | +14 | 15 | 7 | 8 | - | 319 | 290 | 14 | +29 | | |
| 10. | Manly-Warringah Sea Eagles | 7 | 5 | 2 | - | 170 | 136 | +34 | 8 | 2 | 6 | - | 150 | 188 | -38 | 15 | 7 | 8 | - | 320 | 324 | 14 | -4 | | |
| 11. | Canberra Raiders | 8 | 5 | 3 | - | 152 | 155 | -3 | 7 | 2 | 5 | - | 118 | 154 | -36 | 15 | 7 | 8 | - | 270 | 309 | 14 | -39 | | |
| 12. | Newcastle Knights ^B | 6 | 1 | 5 | - | 54 | 201 | -147 | 8 | 3 | 5 | - | 130 | 161 | -31 | 14 | 4 | 10 | - | 184 | 362 | 10 | -178 | | |
| 13. | Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs | 7 | 3 | 4 | - | 138 | 126 | +12 | 8 | 1 | 7 | - | 92 | 211 | -119 | 15 | 4 | 11 | - | 230 | 337 | 8 | -107 | | |
| 14. | Wests Tigers ^B | 6 | 2 | 4 | - | 103 | 152 | -49 | 8 | 1 | 7 | - | 93 | 212 | -119 | 14 | 3 | 11 | - | 196 | 364 | 8 | -168 | | |
| 15. | Warriors | 8 | 3 | 5 | - | 150 | 212 | -62 | 7 | 1 | 6 | - | 98 | 221 | -123 | 15 | 4 | 11 | - | 248 | 433 | 8 | -185 | | |
| 16. | Gold Coast Titans | 8 | 3 | 5 | - | 112 | 171 | -59 | 7 | - | 7 | - | 122 | 209 | -87 | 15 | 3 | 12 | - | 234 | 380 | 6 | -146 | | |

TOP TRYSCORERS

| Rank | Player | Team | P | T |
|------|----------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 | Alex JOHNSTON | Souths | 14 | 14 |
| | Taylan MAY | Penrith | 13 | 14 |
| 3 | Ryan PAPHENHUYZEN | Melbourne | 9 | 12 |
| | Corey OATES | Brisbane | 14 | 12 |

TOP GOALKICKERS

| Rank | Player | Team | P | G | Att | % |
|------|-------------------------|------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| 1 | Valentine HOLMES | North Qld | 14 | 54 | 67 | 81% |
| 2 | Nathan CLEARY | Penrith | 11 | 52 | 62 | 84% |
| 3 | Mitchell MOSES | Parramatta | 14 | 47 | 61 | 77% |
| 4 | Reuben GARRICK | Manly | 15 | 46 | 61 | 75% |
| 5 | Sam WALKER | Sydney | 15 | 40 | 63 | 63% |
| | Nicho HYNES | Cronulla | 14 | 40 | 55 | 73% |
| 7 | Ryan PAPHENHUYZEN | Melbourne | 9 | 39 | 47 | 83% |
| 8 | Reece WALSH | Warriors | 14 | 37 | 46 | 80% |
| | Zac LOMAX | St Geo Illa | 14 | 37 | 49 | 76% |
| 10 | Adam REYNOLDS | Brisbane | 10 | 32 | 38 | 84% |
| 11 | Blake TAAFFE | Souths | 11 | 30 | 35 | 86% |
| 12 | Matt BURTON | Canterbury | 15 | 28 | 37 | 76% |
| 13 | Nick MEANEY | Melbourne | 13 | 23 | 35 | 66% |
| 14 | Brad SCHNEIDER | Canberra | 10 | 23 | 29 | 79% |

TOP POINTSCORERS

| Rank | Player | Team | P | T | G | FG | Pts |
|------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|------------|
| 1 | Reuben GARRICK | Manly-Warringah Sea Eagles | 15 | 11 | 46 | - | 136 |
| 2 | Valentine HOLMES | North Queensland Cowboys | 14 | 6 | 54 | 1 | 133 |
| 3 | Ryan PAPHENHUYZEN | Melbourne Storm | 9 | 12 | 39 | 1 | 127 |
| 4 | Nathan CLEARY | Penrith Panthers | 11 | 2 | 52 | - | 112 |
| 5 | Mitchell MOSES | Parramatta Eels | 14 | 4 | 47 | 1 | 111 |
| 6 | Sam WALKER | Sydney Roosters | 15 | 4 | 40 | 1 | 97 |
| 7 | Nicho HYNES | Cronulla-Sutherland Sharks | 14 | 3 | 40 | 3 | 95 |
| 8 | Zac LOMAX | St George Illawarra Dragons | 14 | 4 | 33 | 1 | 91 |
| 9 | Adam REYNOLDS | Brisbane Broncos | 10 | 4 | 32 | - | 80 |
| 10 | Reece WALSH | Warriors | 14 | 1 | 37 | - | 78 |
| 11 | Nick MEANEY | Melbourne Storm | 13 | 7 | 23 | - | 74 |
| 12 | Blake TAAFFE | South Sydney Rabbitohs | 11 | 3 | 28 | - | 68 |
| | Matt BURTON | Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs | 15 | 2 | 30 | - | 68 |
| 14 | Stephen CRICHTON | Penrith Panthers | 14 | 9 | 15 | - | 66 |
| 15 | Taylan MAY | Penrith Panthers | 13 | 14 | - | - | 56 |
| | Alex JOHNSTON | South Sydney Rabbitohs | 14 | 14 | - | - | 56 |
| 17 | Brad SCHNEIDER | Canberra Raiders | 10 | 1 | 23 | - | 50 |
| 18 | Corey OATES | Brisbane Broncos | 14 | 12 | - | - | 48 |

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THE PROGRAMME

REPRESENTATIVE ROUND GAME DAY COMPANION
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THURSDAY 23 JUNE 2022



UNDER 19'S WOMEN'S ORIGIN
NSW v QLD
LEICHHARDT OVAL, 5:45PM



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FRIDAY 24 JUNE 2022



AMPOL WOMEN'S STATE OF ORIGIN
NSW v QLD
GIO STADIUM CANBERRA, 7:45PM



SATURDAY 25 JUNE 2022



WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL
NEW ZEALAND v TONGA
MT SMART STADIUM, 1:10PM



MEN'S INTERNATIONAL
NEW ZEALAND v TONGA
MT SMART STADIUM, 3:20PM



PACIFIC TEST
SAMOA v COOK ISLANDS
CAMPBELLTOWN STADIUM, 5:40PM



PACIFIC TEST
FIJI v PAPUA NEW GUINEA
CAMPBELLTOWN STADIUM, 7:50PM



SUNDAY 26 JUNE 2022



AMPOL STATE OF ORIGIN GAME II
NSW v QLD
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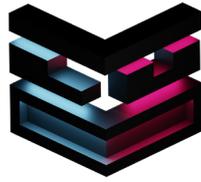


MATCH REVIEW & JUDICIARY NRL ROUND 15

| Player | Club | Grade | Charge | Base | 2022 Offence | Guilty | Early plea | Plea | Result |
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| Morgan HARPER | Manly | 1 | Dangerous Throw | \$1500 | 1st | \$1500 | \$1000 | Guilty - early plea | \$1000 |
| Lindsay COLLINS | Sydney | 1 | Dangerous Contact | \$1500 | 2nd | 2 matches | \$2500 | Guilty - early plea | \$1000 |
| Elliott WHITEHEAD | Canberra | 1 | Dangerous Contact | \$1500 | 1st | \$1500 | \$1000 | Guilty - early plea | \$1000 |
| David NOFOALUMA | Wests Tigers | 1 | Dangerous Contact | \$1500 | 1st ^ | \$1000 | \$750 | Guilty - early plea | \$750 |

^ 7 year incident free discount

NSW U19



QLD U19

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| Jada TAYLOR | 1 |
| Petesa LIO | 2 |
| Andie ROBINSON | 3 |
| Mia MIDDLETON | 4 |
| Cassey TOHI-HIKU | 5 |
| Losana LUTU | 6 |
| Tayla MONTGOMERY | 7 |
| Monalisa SOLIOLA | 8 |
| Rueben CHERRINGTON | 9 |
| Ruby-Jean KENNARD | 10 |
| Leilani WILSON | 11 |
| Chantel TUGAGA | 12 |
| Iesha DUCKETT | 13 |
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| Anneka WILSON | 14 |
| Tiana KORE | 15 |
| Tahleisha MAEVA | 16 |
| Jules KIRKPATRICK | 17 |
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| Rosemarie BECKETT | 18 |
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2 Jetaya FAIFUA

3 Jasmine PETERS

4 Emmanita PAKI

5 Helen UITUALAGI

6 Jada FERGUSON

7 Jayde HERDEGEN

8 April NGATUPUNA

9 Lily-Rose KOLC

10 Fiona JAHNKE

11 Otesa PULE

12 Hannah LARSSON

13 Georgina TUITAALILI

14 Montana MOOK

15 Lavinia KITAI

16 Felila KIA

17 Jacinta CARTER

18 Ellie WILLIAMSON

19 Sunny GERRARD

20 Tahlia MARSHALL

21 Lillian YARROW

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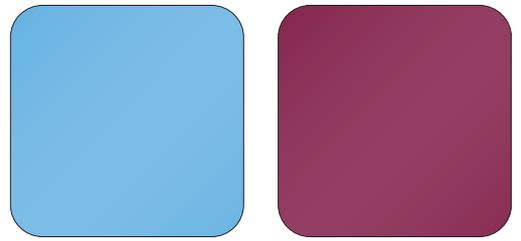
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TOUCH JUDGES MITCH CURRIE
TORI WILKIE
REVIEW OFFICIAL KASEY BADGER

THE PREVIEW

with Tim Costello

Growth of the Women's game on show in competitive Under 19's Women's Origin

The 'stars of tomorrow' are already making names for themselves in their respective state competitions - the NSWRL Tarsha Gale Cup and QRL's Harvey Norman U19's tournament.

A number of names in this contest will be familiar to those who have followed the women's game, with Blues backrower Chantel Tugaga having made her NRLW debut for St George Illawarra in Round 3 of the 2021 season, played earlier this year. Rueben Cherrington lines up at hooker for NSW - the younger sister of Parramatta's Kennedy Cherrington.

For the Maroons, there are several players with NRLW experience - centre Jasmine Peters featured in the Titans' side and five-eighth Jada Ferguson made several appearances for Brisbane. The side has strength across the park, including Sydney Roosters Indigenous Academy premiership back-rower Otesa Pule, who scored the match-winning try in this year's Tarsha Gale Cup Grand Final. Pule didn't make her NRLW debut in the 2021 season but was routinely listed on the Roosters' reserves bench throughout - indicating she may just break through in the 2022 season later this year. This match may well be a big chance to impress.

LAST MEETING: U19 Women's Origin 2021 - NSW 16 QLD 12, Sunshine Coast Stadium

WHO TO WATCH: Props Ruby-Jean Kennard (NSW) and April Ngatupuna (QLD) have been strong performers in 2022.

Kennard - whose father Ben Ellis featured for St George Illawarra in the late 2000's, has spent her recent years in the Parramatta system - featuring for the Eels in Tarsha Gale Cup and the Wentworthville Harvey Norman Women's Premiership side. She's managed to pick up an NRLW contract for the Eels' upcoming 2022 season and will be keen to further her credentials up front against a player who's already broken through.

For a 19-year-old, Ngatupuna has an already impressive rugby league resume. Featuring in last year's match at Sunshine Coast, she's appeared for the Wests Panthers in the QRL's U19 tournament in recent years, this year stepping up to senior level with a Titans NRLW contract. Once the 2021 season concluded in April, she switched lanes to the statewide BMD Premiership competition, playing prop in the North Queensland Gold Stars' run to premiership glory, playing 45 minutes in the side's 14-12 over the Capras in the Grand Final just three weeks ago.

FAVOURITE: The weight of experience should see the Queensland side home in this contest.

MY TIP: The experience and development in the Queensland side looks hard to beat - but at this level anything can happen. I'm backing the Maroons to get the win here, but don't count the Blues out. Queensland Under 19's by 6.

NSWRL RESULTS

RON MASSEY CUP

ROUND 13 RESULTS

Mounties (24) Tries: Roman Ioelu, Jamon Wormleaton, David Soakai, George Sukanaivalu, Ryan Jeffrey; Goals: Roman Ioelu
2 def Kaiviti Silktails (16) Tries: Osea Natoga 3; Goals: Mosese Quinimacawa 2 **at Aubrey Keech Reserve**

Wentworthville Magpies (30) Tries: Nick Walker, John Olive 2, Liam O'Brien, Max Lehmann, Clayton Faulalo; Goals: Liam O'Brien
3 def Blacktown Workers Sea Eagles (12) Tries: Kenny Soumpholphakdy 2, Bailey King **at HE Laybutt Fields**

Glebe Dirty Reds (54) Tries: Tyla Tamou, Ryan Verlinden, Johnathan Tufuga, Dylan O'Connor, Tifa Iuta, Riley Travers 2, James Coyne, Manaia Rudolph; Goals: Manaia Rudolph 9 **def Ryde-Eastwood Hawks (16)** Tries: Angus McElroy, Reggie Alofipo, Jamin Williams; Goals: Jamin

Williams 2 **at TG Milner Field**

Hills Bulls (42) Tries: Curtis Wilson 2, Maile Li, Jesse Marschke, Dion Narayan, Blake Goodman, Steven Tavita; Goals: Brad Keighran
7 def Western Suburbs Magpies (0) **at Crestwood Oval**

BYE: St Marys

LADDER AFTER ROUND 13

| Pos | Team | P | W | L | D | F | A | +/- | Pts |
|-----|----------|----|----|---|---|-----|-----|------|-----|
| 1 | St Marys | 11 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 300 | 164 | 136 | 24 |
| 2 | Hills | 10 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 286 | 120 | 166 | 22 |
| 3 | Glebe | 11 | 7 | 4 | 0 | 342 | 234 | 108 | 18 |
| 4 | RE Hawks | 12 | 4 | 7 | 1 | 252 | 320 | -68 | 11 |
| 5 | Kaiviti | 11 | 4 | 7 | 0 | 264 | 263 | 1 | 10 |
| 6 | Wenty | 10 | 4 | 6 | 0 | 222 | 222 | 0 | 10 |
| 7 | Mounties | 10 | 4 | 6 | 0 | 190 | 248 | -58 | 10 |
| 8 | BWSE | 11 | 3 | 7 | 1 | 214 | 335 | -121 | 9 |
| 9 | Wests | 10 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 142 | 306 | -164 | 8 |

ROUND 2 FIXTURE CATCH UP
MOUNTIES v WENTWORTHVILLE MAGPIES Friday 24 June, 7pm, Aubrey Keech Reserve, Hinchinbrook;

Referee: Tom Cambourn; Sideline Officials: Adam Reid, Charlie Suters

ROUND 4 FIXTURE CATCH UP

WESTERN SUBURBS MAGPIES v HILLS BULLS Saturday 25 June, 2pm, Lidcombe Oval, Lidcombe; Referee: Nathan Loveday; Sideline Officials: Luke Heckendorf, Micheal Ford

SYDNEY SHIELD

ROUND 13 RESULTS

Sydney Roosters (28) Tries: Max McCathie, Byron Strickland, Denzil Manu, Drew Lloyd, Emery Jolliffe; Goals: Tyler Colley 4 **def Moorebank Rams (18)** Tries: Montel Sione Lisala 2, Jaycob Oloaga; Goals: Kaylib Savage 3 **at Hammondville Oval**

St Marys (30) Tries: Kaleb Farr 2, Muong Dut, Viliami Pupu 2; Goals: Kaleb Farr 5 **def Hills Bulls (20)** Tries: Dylan Marshall, Jacob Harrington, Thomas Menzies; Goals: Mitchell Hyde 4 **at Crestwood Oval**

Penrith Brothers (22) Tries: Simon Tito 3, Tori Willie; Goals: Jared Farkas 2, Jermaine Ma'u 1

drew with Wentworthville United (22) Tries: Joshua Hey, Lewis Habkoku, TBC x 2; Goals: Lewis Habkoku 3 **at Parker Street Oval**

BYE: Ryde-Eastwood Hawks

LADDER AFTER ROUND 13

| Pos | Team | P | W | L | D | F | A | +/- | Pts |
|-----|--------------|----|----|---|---|-----|-----|------|-----|
| 1 | St Marys | 11 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 476 | 126 | 350 | 26 |
| 2 | RE Hawks | 11 | 7 | 4 | 0 | 264 | 262 | 2 | 18 |
| 3 | Syd Roosters | 9 | 5 | 4 | 0 | 246 | 252 | -6 | 16 |
| 4 | Hills | 11 | 6 | 5 | 0 | 280 | 222 | 58 | 14 |
| 5 | Moorebank | 10 | 4 | 6 | 0 | 176 | 290 | -114 | 12 |
| 6 | Brothers | 10 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 188 | 304 | -116 | 7 |
| 7 | Wenty Utd | 10 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 158 | 332 | -174 | 5 |

ROUND 3 FIXTURE CATCH UP

HILLS BULLS v WENTWORTHVILLE UNITED Saturday 25 June, 12pm, Lidcombe Oval, Lidcombe; Referee: Dillian Wells; Sideline Officials: Luke Heckendorf, Micheal Ford

ROUND 4 FIXTURE CATCH UP
SYDNEY ROOSTERS v MOOREBANK RAMS Saturday 25 June, 6:30pm, Hammondville Oval, Moorebank; Referee: Tom Stindl; Sideline Officials: Jack Bird, Ben Seppala

NSW U19



QLD U19

Terrell KALO KALO **1**

Utuloa ASOMUA **2**

Paul ALAMOTI **3**

Brad MORKOS **4**

Jack BOSTOCK **5**

Thomas WEAVER **6**

Jonah PEZET **7**

Max BRADBURY **8**

Tyler MORIARTY **9**

Justin MATAMUA **10**

Oryn KEELEY **11**

Brandon TUMETH **12**

Trey MOONEY **13**

Jack COLE **14**

Toby COUCHMAN **15**

Larry MUAGUTUTIA **16**

Jacob WEBSTER **17**

Charlie THOMPSON **18**

Oskar BRYANT **19**

Samuela FAINU **20**

Jaylan DE GROOT **21**

Andrew RYAN

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COACH

PENALTIES

SCRUMS

1 Isaiah IONGI

2 Jacob MENE

3 Sosefo FIFITA

4 Robert TOIA

5 Xavier CHATFIELD-MOOKA

6 Harradyn WILSON

7 Thomas DUFFY

8 Xavier VAA

9 Blake MOZER

10 Paul BRYAN

11 Edward HAMPSON

12 Jack HOWARTH

13 Luke JACK

14 Jye GRAY

15 Benjamin TE KURA

16 Josiah PAHULU

17 Kulikeyu FINEFEUIAKI

18 Ragarive WAVIK

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Kurt RICHARDS

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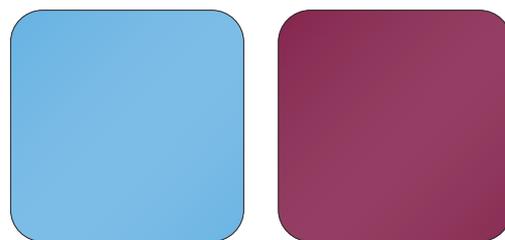
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| REFEREE | WYATT RAYMOND |
| TOUCH JUDGES | CAMERON PADDY NICK PELGRAVE |
| REVIEW OFFICIAL | KASEY BADGER |

THE PREVIEW

with Lachlan McIntyre

New wave of rugby league talent take to Leichhardt Oval as junior Origin rivalry reignites.

The Men's State of Origin U19's will see the intense NSW v QLD rivalry head to Leichhardt Oval as the game's next generation get the opportunity to represent their state on the big stage. A part of the massive representative round line-up that will culminate in the Men's State of Origin game 2 on Sunday, the match is the second in an U19's double header to be held on Thursday night.

With junior State of Origin fixtures being played inconsistently over recent times, the NRL is attempting to revive the fixture despite the lack of junior representative action as a result of covid over the course of the pandemic. In previous years, junior State of Origin matches have been played directly before the Men's games, and have often not been broadcasted. This year, the NRL has seen an opportunity to sell the game as a stand-alone fixture to fans, and they are offering free admission in the hopes of getting a big crowd along. Broadcast partners Nine and Fox will also broadcast the game, which will give up and coming players a chance to get their name out there.

The Covid-19 pandemic has wreaked havoc on the junior systems, which has resulted in the changing of competition age groups. In NSW, the majority of players have been selected from the NSW Cup and the Jersey Flegg Cup (21s), with only a handful of players being picked from the statewide U19's competition, the SG Ball Cup. The Queensland squad is made up of players from the Hostplus Cup (QLD Cup), the Hastings Deerings Colts (21s), and the Mal Meninga Cup (18s).

Each team has also been allowed to select two U20's "marquee" players, who are contracted to NRL clubs. There was initial speculation that the likes of Joseph Suaalii, Ezra Mam and Reece Walsh could be selected, however NRL coaches were understandably against the idea of letting their star players risk injury in a representative fixture. Davvy Moale and Trey Mooney were picked for NSW from the Rabbitohs and the Raiders respectively, however Moale was later called up to the Cook Islands team to take on Samoa this Saturday, and as such will not take part this Thursday in a blow for the Blues. For Queensland, Jack Howarth from the Melbourne Storm and Sosefo Fifita from the Titans have been picked in the squad.

At the helm of the Queensland Under-19's squad is their head coach, Kurt Richards. Working with the Brisbane Broncos for 13 years in a multitude of roles, he has recently joined Wayne Bennet at the Dolphins as they prepare to enter the NRL. There, he is the Head of Pathways, a role that is designed so that the best young talent find themselves in the Dolphins system. There can be no doubt that players he has selected in the squad for the upcoming fixture are on the Dolphins watch list, and the young players will be wanting to impress and show their coach why they would be worthy of a deal at the NRL's newest team.

Fronting the New South Wales Under-19's is their coach Andrew "Bobcat" Ryan. Having played twelve games for the Blues over his long career, Ryan is very familiar with the NSWRL system. He has also been a part of the coaching team in previous U18's and U20's NSW camps that have taken place over the past five years, and his experience working with juniors should benefit his side greatly.

WHO TO WATCH: Making his NRL debut only a few weeks ago, Trey Mooney will be a key player for the NSW Under-19's. With a much higher level of experience compared with his teammates, his side will need him to lead by example. Named to start at lock despite playing all his NSW Cup games so far this season in the second row, the Blues chances hinge significantly on his performance in the centre of the ground.

For the Queensland Under-19's, Jack Howarth has been named to start in the second row. The Storm top-30 member has spent this season splitting time between the Sunshine Coast Falcons in the Queensland Cup and the Victoria Thunderbolts in Jersey Flegg. Playing mostly as an outside back in the Storm system, the switch into the forwards in such a high profile game could be tough. But the Melbourne Storm have shown faith in his talent, having signed him to the club through until the 2027 season.

FAVOURITE: The NSW side is expected to get the job done on their own turf at Leichhardt Oval.

MY TIP: While there is a lot of unknown coming into this match, the home crowd advantage should get Andrew Ryan's side over the line. NSW Under-19's by 2.

REPRESENTATIVE ROUND

2022 AMPOL WOMEN'S STATE OF ORIGIN

NSW



QLD

Emma TONEGATO **1**
 Yasmin CLYDESDALE **2**
 Jessica SERGIS **3**
 Isabelle KELLY **4**
 Tiana PENITANI **5**
 Kirra DIBB **6**
 Rachael PEARSON **7**
 Simaima TAUFA **8**
 Keeley DAVIS **9**
 Millie BOYLE **10**
 Kezie APPS **11**
 Shaylee BENT **12**
 Hannah SOUTHWELL **13**

Quincy DODD **14**
 Sarah TOGATUKI **15**
 Caitlan JOHNSTON **16**
 Olivia KERNICK **17**

Sam BREMNER **18**
 Teagan BERRY **19**
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4 Shenae CIESIOLKA

5 Julia ROBINSON

6 Tarryn AIKEN

7 Ali BRIGGINSHAW

8 Chelsea LENARDUZZI

9 Brittany BREAYLEY-NATI

10 Shannon MATO

11 Tallisha HARDEN

12 Tazmin GRAY

13 Destiny BRILL

14 Lauren BROWN

15 Jessika ELLISTON

16 Steph HANCOCK

17 Tiana RAFTSTRAND-SMITH

18 Zahara TEMARA

19 Karina BROWN

20 Romy TEITZEL

21 Keilee JOSEPH

22 Sara SAUTIA

Tahnee NORRIS

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| TOUCH JUDGES | KAILEY BEATTIE TORI WILKIE |
| NRL BUNKER | ADAM GEE |

HEAD TO HEAD (ORIGIN ERA)

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WOMEN'S ORIGIN SINCE 2018

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| 2018 | NSW 16-10 | NORTH SYDNEY, 6824 |
| 2019 | NSW 14-4 | NORTH SYDNEY, 10515 |
| 2020 | QLD 24-18 | SUNSHINE COAST, 4833 |
| 2021 | QLD 8-6 | SUNSHINE COAST, 7183 |

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THE PREVIEW

with Josh Robertson

The fifth edition of the Women's State of Origin heads to "Neutral" territory for the first time when Canberra plays host to the interstate battle for the first time.

In the current format, both sides have managed to score two victories both coming in their respective home states with NSW winning the first two matches when held in North Sydney Oval whilst for Queensland their wins came on the Sunshine Coast.

The last two editions have been won by Queensland on home soil so a return to "home" territory for the Blues will look to net them a better result than their narrow defeat last year. Last years contest, the Maroons took victory by 8-6 thanks to a final minute penalty goal that consigned NSW to a heart-breaking defeat.

The Blues started that game fast but they could never take advantage of their quick start trailing 6-4 at half-time before levelling the scores midway through the second half. The last-minute penalty goal for the Queenslanders didn't come without controversy given the nature of the decision and the impact on the match.

Poor performance again hurt the Blues in the 2020 edition when despite going down 24-18, the Blues had to come from 24-6 down mid-way through the second half and despite scoring three late tries, ineffective goal-kicking hurt NSW.

In 2022, having an NRLW season already under their belts will help both sides this season having players already finding form this season which helped both coaches pick their sides.

The Blues have named a number of debutants in their side including Rachael Pearson, Olivia Kernick, Catilan Johnson and Emma Tonegato who had previously played in the Interstate Challenge format. Dragons players dominate the line up with eight members of their NRLW squad in the NSW side whilst premierships winners the Roosters contribute six members, Knights five and Eels three.

On the other hand, Queensland have only named two debutants being Evania Pelite and Emily Bass in their squad for the game this season. The Maroons have arguably the most experienced side of any Origin played with 20 squad members having played Origin in the past including the returns of veteran Steph Hancock and Brittany Breayley-Nati to the side. For the first time, the Broncos are outnumbered in the QLD side with 8 players in the side compared to Titans 9.

WHO TO WATCH: NSW Fullback Emma Tonegato was a star in her first season of NRLW coming across from the Australian Rugby Union system where Tonegato played at the Tokyo Olympics. The Dragons fullback lit up the competition in the NRLW scoring 4 tries from the 7 games that she played in. The fullback has experience in interstate battle having played for NSW in the Interstate Challenge which was the precursor to the current Origin format.

Having had a quiet and somewhat underwhelming NRLW season, there could be questions about whether Queensland captain Ali Briginshaw has passed the peak of her career. The veteran who has been arguably the best player in Women's Rugby League for the last few seasons, Briginshaw will be playing her twelfth match for Queensland across both formats of the interstate battle. Needing a strong performance, Briginshaw's kicking game and running game will be the most important factor for Queensland to take victory.

FAVOURITE: NSW are marginally favoured by the bookies.

MY TIP: It's always a tough tip because form goes out of the window for battles like this and no doubt it will again. I think the New South Wales squad has enough spark to it to get over the Queensland side this year. The Blues possess an explosive backline and they should be able to do enough to outdo the Queenslanders who have a powerful squad. NSW by 4.

NRLW EXPANDS

The Australian Rugby League Commission (ARLC) has approved the addition of four new teams to an expanded NRL Telstra Women's Premiership competition from 2023.

The Commission has confirmed that Canberra Raiders, Cronulla-Sutherland Sharks, North Queensland Cowboys and Wests Tigers would be admitted to the Premiership in 2023.

The additional teams will ensure that the NRLW competition is represented from Townsville in far-north Queensland to Canberra, with three Clubs in Queensland, six in NSW and one in the ACT.

Australian Rugby League Commission Chairman Mr Peter V'landys AM said the growth of the women's game was a priority for the Commission, from grassroots to elite, and that all four teams would add significantly to the new competition in 2023.

"We have a blueprint for investing in the women's game at all levels. We have seen from with the quality of the 2021 NRLW Premiership and the tremendous growth in female participation that we have capacity for sustainable growth," Mr V'landys said.

National Rugby League CEO Andrew Abdo said the expansion of the NRLW Premiership to a 10-team competition was a watershed moment for the sport.

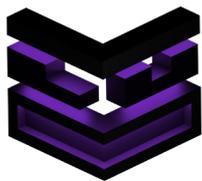
"Today is another exciting milestone in the growth of Women's Premiership," Mr Abdo said.

"The Sharks and the Tigers have strong teams in the Harvey Norman NSW Women's Premiership, and the Raiders and the Cowboys already have strong participation bases.

"We will continue to work with all NRL Clubs on the plans for further expansion beyond 2023 and the right time for each Club to potentially enter the NRW Premiership."

Mr Abdo acknowledged and thanked major partners for their investment including naming rights partner Telstra and broadcasters Nine and Fox Sports.

NEW ZEALAND



TONGA

| Club | | |
|---------------------|---------------------------|-----------|
| Newcastle | Autumn-Rain STEPHENS DALY | 1 |
| Gold Coast | Madison BARTLETT | 2 |
| St George Illawarra | Page MCGREGOR | 3 |
| Brisbane | Amy TURNER | 4 |
| Newcastle | Katelyn VAHA'AKOLO | 5 |
| Akarana | Laishon ALBERT-JONES | 6 |
| Sydney Roosters | Raecene MCGREGOR | 7 |
| Brisbane | Annetta NUUAUSALA | 8 |
| Newcastle | Krystal ROTA (C) | 9 |
| Sydney Roosters | Mya HILL-MOANA | 10 |
| Brisbane | Roxy MURDOCH-MASILA | 11 |
| Newcastle | Ngatokotoru ARAKUA | 12 |
| Gold Coast | Georgia HALE | 13 |
| Brisbane | Nita MAYNARD | 14 |
| Newcastle | Charlotte SCANLAN | 15 |
| Newcastle | Kararaina WIRA-KOHU | 16 |
| Counties Manukau | Christyl STOWERS | 17 |
| Gold Coast | Karli HANSEN | 18 |
| Gold Coast | Hailee-Jay MAUNSELL | 19 |
| | Ricky HENRY | |

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- COACH

| Alphabetical order | Club |
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| Laikha CLARKE | Gold Coast |
| Tegan DYMOCK | St George Illawarra |
| Keisharn HALA | Bris. Tigers |
| Elenoa HAVEA | |
| Haylee HIFO | Mounties |
| Kalosipani HOPOATE | Sydney Roosters |
| Bridget HOY | Tweed |
| Mary LATU | - |
| Amelia MAFI | Wentworthville |
| Seli MAILANGI | Parramatta |
| Shannon MURU | South Sydney |
| Kimberly NIKUA | St Marys |
| Monica SAMITA | - |
| Natasha PENITANI | Cronulla |
| China POLATA | Brisbane |
| Pier PRITCHARD | North Sydney |
| Erana RETI | St George U19 |
| Luisa SEKONA | West's Panthers |
| Lavinia TAUHALALIKU | - |
| Ana TAUMALOLO | - |
| Milton DYMOCK | |

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| DATE | SATURDAY 25 JUNE 2022 |
| KICKOFF | 1:10PM AEST / 3:10PM NZT |
| VENUE | MT SMART STADIUM PENROSE NZ / AOTEROA |
| WATCH | FOX LEAGUE & KAYO, SKY SPORT NZ |
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MATCH OFFICIALS

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| REFEREE | KASEY BADGER |
| TOUCH JUDGES | JOSEPH GREEN ROCHELLE TAMARUA |
| REVIEW OFFICIAL | STEVE CHIDDY |

LAST MEETING

2008 NEW ZEALAND 42 TONGA 4 SUNSHINE COAST

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THE PREVIEW

with Tim Costello

More than 18 months after international action in the Pacific, the game resumes.

It's been a long drought for Pacific nations when it comes to international footy, but finally after countless lockdowns, pandemic cancellations and delays, the Kiwi Ferns and Mate Ma'a Tonga women will face off in Auckland this weekend, the first top level game of rugby league played in the country since the end of 2020 when both these sides featured as part of a double header at Mt Smart.

On that day, the Tongan women accounted for a hapless Niue women's side 66-8, while the Kiwi Ferns downed Fetu Samoa 28-8.

Fast forward to June 2022 and these sides have plenty to play for. The Kiwi Ferns are off to the Women's RLWC in England in November and together with the upcoming NRLW season, this will undoubtedly be an important tune-up for many of their players aiming to push for world supremacy later this year.

For the Tongan women, it's an opportunity to flex their muscle against a more prolific opponent, and push their claims for a spot in the 2025 edition of the World Cup in France. With the growth of popularity of the men's side for Tonga in the last half-a-decade, building the women's side up will ensure a strong future for the proud Pacific nation.

In team news, the Kiwi Ferns welcome several debutants who've made impressive NRLW impact. Amy Turner, Page McGregor, Roxy Murdoch and Laishon Albert-Jones are all among the new faces in the national side. They are captained by dummy-half Krystal Rota.

For Tonga, five NRLW players make an appearance, with names like Tegan Dymock, Seli Mailangi, China Polata, Kalosipani Hopoate and Laikha Clarke all named.

Amelia Mafi is also in a pretty strong Tongan lineup - she last appeared in the NRLW during the 2020 season for runners-up Sydney Roosters.

These two nations have met just once before - a convincing victory for New Zealand at Sunshine Coast Stadium in 2008.

WHO TO WATCH: The battle of the dummy-halves will be important in this contest, with both Rota and Mailangi key features of their respective teams during the NRLW season. While neither the Knights (Rota) or Eels (Mailangi) progressed to the finals series in the 2021 season played recently, both got valuable experience at the elite level which will help them guide their respective nations this Saturday.

FAVOURITE: The Kiwi Ferns are comfortably favoured to take out this contest.

MY TIP: The experience for the Kiwi Ferns tips the balance here. Tonga will be competitive but there is no getting past the New Zealand women on this one. Kiwi Ferns by 16.

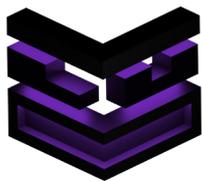
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NEW ZEALAND



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| Club | | |
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| Sydney Roosters | Joseph MANU | 1 |
| Cronulla | RonaldoMULITALO | 2 |
| Parramatta | Marata NIUKORE | 3 |
| North Queensland | Peta HIKU | 4 |
| Canberra | Jordan RAPANA | 5 |
| Parramatta | Dylan BROWN | 6 |
| Melbourne | Jahrome HUGHES | 7 |
| Melbourne | Jesse BROMWICH | 8 |
| Melbourne | Brandon SMITH | 9 |
| Penrith | James FISHER-HARRIS | 10 |
| Parramatta | Isaiah PAPALI'I | 11 |
| Melbourne | Kenny BROMWICH | 12 |
| Canberra | Joseph TAPINE | 13 |
| Manly | Kieran FORAN | 14 |
| Penrith | Moses LEOTA | 15 |
| Melbourne | Nelson ASOFA-SOLOMONA | 16 |
| Cronulla | Briton NIKORA | 17 |
| Brisbane | Jordan RIKI | 18 |
| Warriors | Dallin WATENE-ZELEZNIAK | 19 |
| Brisbane | Te Maire MARTIN | 20 |
| | Michael MAGUIRE | |

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| | | Club |
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| 1 | Tolutau KOULA | Manly |
| 2 | Christian TUIPULOTU | Manly |
| 3 | Viliani PENISINI | Parramatta |
| 4 | Moses SULI | St George Illawarra |
| 5 | Sione KATOA | Cronulla |
| 6 | Kotoni STAGGS | Brisbane |
| 7 | Talatau AMONE | St George Illawarra |
| 8 | Addin FONUA-BLAKE | Warriors |
| 9 | Siliva HAVILI | South Sydney |
| 10 | Siosua TAUKEIAHO | Sydney Roosters |
| 11 | Sitili TUPOUNIUA | Sydney Roosters |
| 12 | Keaon KOLOAMATANGI | South Sydney |
| 13 | Jason TAUMALOLO | North Queensland |
| 14 | Soni LUKE | Penrith |
| 15 | Haumole OLAKAU'ATU | Manly |
| 16 | Tevita TATOLA | South Sydney |
| 17 | Moeaki FOTUAIKA | Gold Coast |
| 18 | Joe OFAHENGAUE | Wests Tigers |
| 19 | Eliesa KATOA | Warriors |
| 20 | Isaiya KATOA | Penrith |
| | Dean YOUNG (caretaker) | |

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MATCH OFFICIALS

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| REFEREE | GRANT ATKINS |
| TOUCH JUDGES | LIAM KENNEDY PAKI PARKINSON |
| REVIEW OFFICIAL | CHRIS BUTLER |

HEAD TO HEAD

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| ALL 6 | NEW ZEALAND 5 TONGA 1 |
| MT SMART | 2 MATCHES: NEW ZEALAND 2 TONGA 0 |

LAST FIVE MEETINGS

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| 1999 | NEW ZEALAND 74 TONGA 0 | CARLAW PARK |
| 2008 | NEW ZEALAND 56 TONGA 8 | MT SMART |
| 2009 | NEW ZEALAND 40 TONGA 24 | ROTORUA |
| 2017 | TONGA 28 NEW ZEALAND 22 | WAIKATO |
| 2019 | NEW ZEALAND 34 TONGA 14 | MT SMART |

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THE PREVIEW

with AJ Lucontonio

Footy returns to New Zealand with a World Cup dress rehearsal

National pride is on the line in Rugby League's first trip to New Zealand since the COVID pandemic struck. New Zealand will go head to head with the might of Tonga as both sides begin to see how they'll line up for the end of season World Cup. It's important to note in the case of Tonga, that this match only has NRL talent (no Super League players) and players that aren't playing State of Origin, so this will be far from their strongest line-up that'll play for World Cup glory.

Starting with the Kiwis, and it's going to be an emotional week for all involved, as they will return home for the first time and have the opportunity to play for friends and family. This side will be looking for revenge after an upset loss to Tonga at the World Cup which saw their hopes of snatching the crown diminish the following week at the hands of Fiji. Going into this year's World Cup, it is a similar position with a group draw which on paper, puts them in with a shot at a 3-0 record and a lopsided for and against.

It's safe to say a lot has changed, Kiwis coach Michael Maguire will coach his first match following his dramatic sacking at Concord as well as a new look spine which will include debutant Dylan Brown, it's a mix of young and old in this squad with eight potential debutants. But as always in international footy, it's all about how the side plays together. It'll be up to Madge to get the troops fired up for a match that is likely to be dominated by a sea of red in the crowd. The match will be won and lost in the forward pack and with the form of James Fisher-Harris and Joe Tapine, it should be enough to offset the loss of Jared Waerea-Hargraves who's out due to injury.

Tonga have been the spearheads of a resurgence in international football as of late, with a sensational upset of Australia prior to the world shutting down. There's no doubt that the small island nation has developed quite the array of talent that has stormed onto the NRL scene as of late including Haumole Olakau'atu who has turned down the opportunity to pull on the NSW jumper, to represent his country this weekend. Unfortunately, three players that won't be joining them are outside backs Daniel Tupou Staggs and Siosifa Talakai who despite being named will try and stop QLD sealing the series on Sunday night.

Another interesting tidbit is the absence of Tonga coach Kristian Woolf who's unable to make the trip to NZ due to his commitments in England with his high-flying St Helens side. Instead, his place is taken by defensive guru Dean Young, with an imposing forward pack and skilful outside backs, it is an impressive line-up put together by Young and his advisors. The challenge is the inexperience in the halves with a likely combination of Kotoni Staggs and Talatau Amone who are yet to play in the halves together.

WHO TO WATCH: In what many have said has been an underwhelming season by the Roosters thus far, it's safe to say Joey Manu has continued to develop into one of the game's most dangerous attacking exploits. When Manu has been closer to the ball and involved in the Roosters attack, they've been a far more dangerous side, his ability to step up and take control has been on display countless times in club land this season. Manu's ball playing ability and clever footwork will be handy for a New Zealand side trying to build momentum heading into the end of season World Cup.

He's the man that helped rise Tonga to the position as an international powerhouse and after a slight drop off in form last year, it's safe to say Jason Taumalolo has found inklings of his career best form this season. Playing in a much greater role this season, Taumalolo has shown why the Cowboys gave him a lifetime contract in 2017. Now carrying the pride of his nation, look for Taumalolo to guide his impressive forward pack to victory over New Zealand.

FAVOURITE: New Zealand are the favourites with the bookies. Just in case we forgot, their last meeting was in 2019 and the Kiwis were too strong for Tonga, but the sides will be very different to what we saw three years ago in Auckland.

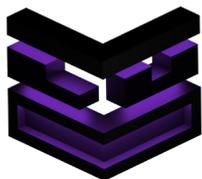
MY TIP: Well, international footy is back and in a big way with the clash of the giants of Pasifika rugby league. With these sides playing the first match for their country since 2019, there's going to be a lot of national pride at stake. New Zealand have strike power out-wide, but I doubt whether it will be enough to counter the brutality of Tonga's line-up which has certified hit-men all over the place. Tonga by 4.

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SAMOA



COOK ISLANDS

| Club | | | |
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| Penrith | Charlie STAINES | 1 | |
| Penrith | Taylan MAY | 2 | |
| Penrith | Izack TAGO | 3 | |
| South Sydney | Jaxson PAULO | 4 | |
| Wests Tigers | David NOFOALUMA | 5 | |
| Warriors | Chanel HARRIS-TAVITA | 6 | |
| Newcastle | Anthony MILFORD | 7 | |
| Manly | Martin TAUPAU | 8 | |
| Warriors | Jazz TEVAGA | 9 | |
| St George Illawarra | Francis MOLO | 10 | |
| Manly | Josh SCHUSTER | 11 | |
| St George Illawarra | Jaydn SU'A | 12 | |
| Manly | Josh ALOIAI | 13 | |
| Wests Tigers | Fa'amanu BROWN | 14 | |
| Brisbane | Keenan PALASIA | 15 | |
| Penrith | Spencer LENIU | 16 | |
| Warriors | Bunty AFOA | 17 | |
| St George Illawarra | Mathew FEAGAI | 18 | |
| Warriors | Ronald VOLKMAN | 19 | |
| Manly | Toafofoa SIPLEY | 20 | |
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| | | Club |
|-----------|-----------------------|---------------|
| 1 | Kayal IRO | Cronulla |
| 2 | Steven MARSTERS | Thirroul |
| 3 | Anthony GELLING | - |
| 4 | Reubenn RENNIE | Newtown |
| 5 | Malachi MORGAN | - |
| 6 | Esan MARSTERS | Gold Coast |
| 7 | Reece JOYCE | - |
| 8 | Vincent RENNIE | Newtown |
| 9 | Aaron TEROI | CQ Capras |
| 10 | Xavier WILLISON | Brisbane |
| 11 | Brendan PIAKURA | Brisbane |
| 12 | Pride PETERSON-ROBATI | Warriors |
| 13 | Tinirau ARONA | Wakefield |
| 14 | Brody TAMARUA | Ellerslie |
| 15 | Moses NOOVAO-MCGREAL | Norths Devils |
| 16 | Makahesi MAKATOA | Parramatta |
| 17 | Davvy MOALE | South Sydney |
| 18 | Reuben PORTER | Tweed |
| 19 | Geoff DANIELA | St Marys |
| 20 | Andre IRO | Southport |
| 21 | Lucky POKIPOKI | Ipswich |
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| | Tony IRO | |

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MATCH OFFICIALS

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| REFEREE | ADAM GEE |
| TOUCH JUDGES | DARIAN FURNER ZIGGY PRZEKLASA-ADAMSKI |
| REVIEW OFFICIAL | CHRIS BUTLER |

HEAD TO HEAD

ALL 8 SAMOA 6 COOK ISLANDS 2

LAST THREE MEETINGS

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| 2006 | COOK ISLANDS 44 SAMOA 0 | MT SMART #2 |
| 2006 | SAMOA 46 COOK ISLANDS 6 | ST MARYS |
| 2009 | COOK ISLANDS 22 SAMOA 20 | BARLOW |

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THE PREVIEW

with Rob Crosby

Polynesian rivals face off in World Cup precursor

Representative rugby league returns after a three year hiatus on Saturday evening as Samoa and the Cook Islands meet in a celebration of cultures at Campbelltown Sports Stadium.

Facing off in the first match of the Pacific Test double header, the Polynesian nations will be looking to build momentum ahead of the end-of-season Rugby League World Cup in the Northern Hemisphere.

Naming a revamped squad, featuring just two players returning from their most recent appearance on the international stage, Samoa will field a youthful team with 11 members of the extended squad in line to adorn the blue jersey for the first time. Penrith quartet Charlie Staines, Taylan May, Izack Tago and Spencer Leniu headline the new faces, alongside Francis Molo who previously represented the Cook Islands on two occasions during the mid-2010s.

Underperforming on the international stage in the years since making a serious impression during the 2014 Four Nations, coach Matt Parish has coached the side to one win and a draw in eight tests contested since 2017. Facing off against England in the opening match of the World Cup later this year, the side will be expected to progress into the quarter finals after being drawn alongside France and Greece in the group stage.

Regarded as a minnow among the emerging Pasifika nations, the Cook Islands will field a side comprised of lesser-known talent determined to make a big impression. Selecting NRL-contracted players Esan Marsters, Makahesi Makatoa, Davvy Moala and Super League veteran Tinirau Arona, coach Tony Iro will be banking on players from the New South Wales, Queensland and New Zealand domestic leagues, including his nephews - Kayal and Andre - to cause an upset.

Failing to qualify for the previous Rugby League World Cup after losing a qualifier against Tonga at Campbelltown in 2015, the Cook Islands prevailed over South Africa and the United States of America in their most recent test matches.

Drawn alongside Papua New Guinea, Wales and Tonga at the World Cup, the side will need early group victories in order to reach the quarter finals for the first time.

WHO TO WATCH: Coming through the junior ranks at Penrith as a fleet-footed fullback, Charlie Staines will have a rare opportunity to show his wares in his preferred position on Saturday evening. Starting the past two seasons on the wing in first grade only to be overlooked in favour of larger outside backs, the 21-year-old managed a single appearance in the number one jersey last season, producing an above average total of 153 running metres. Qualifying to represent Samoa through his grandfather, Staines will be using his test debut as a launching pad to break back into first grade and show his talents to prospective clubs in need of a fullback.

Regarded as one of the brightest prospects coming through the Broncos system in recent seasons, Brendan Piakura will be hoping to come into first grade calculations over the second half of the season. Knocking back the chance to sign with Canterbury on a lucrative deal early last season, the 20-year-old has been unable to build upon his sole NRL appearance with Broncos coach Kevin Walters opting to develop the second-rower with Norths Devils in reserve grade. Set to make his test debut alongside a host of players on Saturday evening, the Cook Islands will need Piakura to be at his best in order to prevail.

FAVOURITE: Fielding a side brimming with first-grade regulars and experience in big matches, Samoa will be expected to prove too strong on Saturday evening.

MY TIP: While it can be difficult to gauge form for a one-off test between teams that haven't played for three years, Samoa's experience should be too much for the Cook Islands to overcome. Samoa by 16.

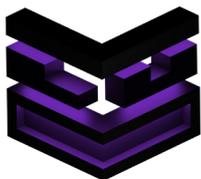
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| Penrith | Sunia TURUVA | 1 |
| St George Illawarra | Mikaele RAVALAWA | 2 |
| Canberra | Semi VALEMEI | 3 |
| Parramatta | Waqā BLAKE | 4 |
| Parramatta | Maika SIVO | 5 |
| Sydney Roosters | Kevin NAIQAMA | 6 |
| Western Suburbs | Netane MASIMA | 7 |
| Tweed | Joseph RATUVAKACERIVALU | 8 |
| Canterbury | Penioni TAGITUIMUA | 9 |
| Melbourne | Tui KAMIKAMICA | 10 |
| Penrith | Viliame KIKAU | 11 |
| North Queensland | Taniela SADRUGU | 12 |
| South Sydney | Taane MILNE | 13 |
| Canterbury | Isaac LUMELUME | 14 |
| Mounties | Pio SECI | 15 |
| Tweed | Lamar MANUEL-LIOLEVAVE | 16 |
| Mounties | Kaylen MILLER | 17 |
| Bomballa | Ralulu NASOKI | 18 |
| Yasawa | Waqasaqa QIOLEVU | 19 |
| Nadera | Mesake KURUKITOGA | 20 |
| | Joe RABELE DAKUITOGA | |

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| 1 | Alex JOHNSTON | South Sydney |
| 2 | Robert DERBY | North Queensland |
| 3 | David MEAD | Brisbane |
| 4 | Justin OLAM | Melbourne |
| 5 | Terry WAPI | PNG Hunters |
| 6 | Kyle LAYBUTT | Townsville |
| 7 | Lachlan LAM | Sydney Roosters |
| 8 | Epel KAPINIAS | Wynnum |
| 9 | Wartovo PUARA | PNG Hunters |
| 10 | Sylvester NAMO | PNG Hunters |
| 11 | Dan RUSSELL | Easts Tigers |
| 12 | Nixon PUTT | CQ Capras |
| 13 | Jacob ALLICK | Gold Coast |
| 14 | Liam HORNE | Norths Devils |
| 15 | Emmanuel WAINE | PNG Hunters |
| 16 | Mckenzie YEI | CQ Capras |
| 17 | Dilbert ISAAC | PNG Hunters |
| 18 | Junior ROP | PNG Hunters |
| 19 | Sherwin TANABI | PNG Hunters |
| 20 | Solo WANE | PNG Hunters |
| | Stanley TEPEND | |

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MATCH OFFICIALS

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| REFEREE | TODD SMITH |
| TOUCH JUDGES | CHRIS SUTTON MICHAEL WISE |
| REVIEW OFFICIAL | MATT NOYEN |

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LAST FIVE MEETINGS

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| 2011 | PNG 26 FIJI 0 | PORT MORESBY |
| 2015 | FIJI 22 PNG 10 | CBUS SUPER |
| 2016 | PNG 24 FIJI 22 | PIRTEK |
| 2018 | PNG 26 FIJI 14 | CAMPBELLTOWN |
| 2019 | FIJI 22 PNG 20 | CHRISTCHURCH |

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THE PREVIEW

with Andrew Jackson

PNG, Fiji face off three years after Christchurch thriller

It is a game almost three years in the making.

After last going head-to-head back in late November, Papua New Guinea and Fiji will face off once again this Saturday night at Campbelltown Stadium.

If the last fixture between the two is anything to go by this is not a game to miss, with the Bati winning a thriller 22-20 in Christchurch.

Ben Nakubuwei, who has signed with Leigh for the rest of the season, scored the match-winning try that time but is off playing in England now, with his eyes on the World Cup.

Viliame Kikau and Tui Kamikamica scored on that night too though and both will be running out on Saturday night, hopeful to power Fiji to another victory.

As for the Kumuls, Rhyse Martin scored 12 of Papua New Guinea's 20 points in 2019's fixture but is also currently in England, with uncertainty shrouding his future at Leeds.

Winger Edene Gebbie (one try, 205 run metres, seven tackle busts) also put on a show as did South Sydney flyer Alex Johnston (108 run metres, six tackle breaks).

Gebbie is currently playing community representative football in Queensland but Johnston will be suiting up for the Kumuls again, hoping for a different result in Saturday's game.

In more general team news, Johnston headlines a PNG side which is bolstered by the additions of veteran Bronco David Mead (captain) and barnstorming centre Justin Olam.

Kyle Laybutt and Lachlan Lam (Townsville Blackhawks) will come together in the halves for the Kumuls.

As for Fiji, Kikau and Kamikamica as mentioned will be leading the forward pack again, while Kevin Naiqama will skipper the Bati.

Maika Sivo and Mikaele Ravalawa are on the wings, just part of an exciting back five that includes Semi Valemei and Waqa Blake in the centres and young Panther Sunia Turuva at the back. The two teams have played five times since 2011, with Papua New Guinea winning three.

WHO TO WATCH: The battle of the fullbacks alone is worth the price of admission, even if only Panthers fans may be familiar with young gun Turuva. In Alex Johnston, the Kumuls have a genuine leader whose vocal presence on the field will help set the defensive line. That is not even mentioning Johnston's pace off the mark and evasiveness that will make him hard to handle in attack.

As for Sunia Turuva, Penrith officials have very high hopes for the 19-year-old. So much so that Turuva, who is currently an NRL development player, was re-signed earlier this month for another two years and will be prompted to the club's top 30 from next season. Turuva, like Johnston, is a flashy fullback with a lethal combination of speed and power. But he also does the little things right, with Panthers officials comparing him to NRL counterpart Dylan Edwards in the work he gets through bringing the ball up in his own half.

FAVOURITE: Fiji is the strong favourite to get the job done.

MY TIP: It is hard to count out the Kumuls, who always rise to the occasion on the international stage. The same goes for the Bati though, who may just have a bit more experience in the outside backs. Fiji by 18.

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GAME II

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QLD

| Club | Age | | |
|------------------|-----|------------------|-----------|
| Sydney Roosters | 29 | James TEDESCO | 1 |
| Penrith | 23 | Brian TO'O | 2 |
| Canterbury | 22 | Matt BURTON | 3 |
| Penrith | 21 | Stephen CRICHTON | 4 |
| Sydney Roosters | 30 | Daniel TUPOU | 5 |
| Penrith | 25 | Jarome LUAI | 6 |
| Penrith | 24 | Nathan CLEARY | 7 |
| Brisbane | 22 | Payne HAAS | 8 |
| Penrith | 29 | Api KOROISAU | 9 |
| Manly | 28 | Jake TRBOJEVIC | 10 |
| South Sydney | 24 | Cameron MURRAY | 11 |
| Penrith | 25 | Liam MARTIN | 12 |
| Penrith | 27 | Isaah YEO | 13 |
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| South Sydney | 30 | Damien COOK | 14 |
| Sydney Roosters | 26 | Angus CRICHTON | 15 |
| Parramatta | 28 | Junior PAULO | 16 |
| Cronulla | 25 | Siosifa TALAKAI | 17 |
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| Cronulla | 25 | Nicho HYNES | 18 |
| Sydney Roosters | 18 | Joseph SUAALII | 19 |
| North Queensland | 30 | Jordan McLEAN | 20 |
| Parramatta | 27 | Clint GUTHERSON | 21 |
| Sydney Roosters | 24 | Victor RADLEY | 22 |
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| | Age | Club |
|-----------|-----|---------------------|
| 1 | 24 | Newcastle |
| 2 | 19 | Brisbane |
| 3 | 26 | North Queensland |
| 4 | 31 | Newcastle |
| 5 | 23 | North Queensland |
| 6 | 27 | Melbourne |
| 7 | 33 | Manly |
| 8 | 26 | Sydney Roosters |
| 9 | 32 | St George Illawarra |
| 10 | 30 | Canberra |
| 11 | 28 | Brisbane |
| 12 | 30 | Melbourne |
| 13 | 22 | Gold Coast |
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| 20 | 23 | Gold Coast |
| 21 | 27 | Brisbane |
| 22 | 19 | Warriors |
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MATCH DETAILS

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| DATE | SUNDAY 26 JUNE 2022 |
| KICKOFF | 7:50PM AEST / 5:50PM AWST |
| VENUE | OPTUS STADIUM BURSWOOD WA / WHADJUK |
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MATCH OFFICIALS

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| REFEREE | ASHLEY KLEIN |
| TOUCH JUDGES | PHIL HENDERSON DAVE MUNRO |
| BUNKER | GRANT ATKINS |

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LAST THREE MATCHES

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| 2021 | GAME II | NSW 26-0 | SUNCORP, 52273 |
| 2021 | GAME III | QLD 20-18 | CBUS SUPER, 26307 |
| 2022 | GAME I | QLD 16-10 | ACCOR, 80512 |

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| 2015 | GAME III | QLD 52-6 | SUNCORP |
| 2021 | GAME I | NSW 50-6 | QLD COUNTRY BANK |

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THE PREVIEW

with Lachy MacCorquodale

The games' greatest spectacle heads to Perth for the second time in State of Origin history with Queensland holding the upper hand as they look to secure a series victory this Sunday at Optus Stadium.

New South Wales have plenty of work to do after an exhilarating opening game to the series which saw Queensland secure a 16-10 point victory on the back of some excellent ad-lib football. It was an extremely intense and hard-fought battle, but Billy Slater's men proved to have done their homework on the large Penrith contingent that made up the New South Wales side as the trio of Jarome Luai, Nathan Cleary and Isaah Yeo found it difficult to put their stamp on the game. Queensland did this through the use of an aggressive defensive line that looked to shut them down as quickly as possible whenever the ball was in their hands. In particular, Queensland's kick pressure was excellent all night, making Cleary's job extremely difficult as he rarely found himself with adequate time to kick. The inclusion of Matt Burton for Game II may help combat this as he offers another kicking option alongside Cleary who was responsible for 20 of the 23 kicks (that weren't grubbers) for the match.

Despite Queensland's ability to stifle the Penrith contingent in Game I, the New South Wales Blues selectors have doubled down on their commitment to the Penrith juggernaut, with Stephen Crichton and Apisai Koroisau being named to start this time round, bringing the total number of current Penrith players in the starting 13 to seven. This could work to New South Wales advantage as Koroisau's combination with Cleary and Luai should theoretically make their jobs easier as they are more than comfortable with the tendencies of Koroisau's play and his service out of dummy-half than that of Damien Cook. It'll be Koroisau's first start in a Blues jumper, after making his debut off the bench in Game III last season, pushing Cook to the bench. The inclusions of Koroisau and Burton for Game II aren't the only changes to the New South Wales squad with Jake Trbojevic, Siosifa Talakai (debut) and Angus Crichton being named in the 17 at the expense of Kotoni Staggs, Reagan Campbell-Gillard, Ryan Matterson, Tariq Sims and unfortunately Jack Wighton, who will miss out due to contracting COVID-19 after an excellent performance in Game I.

North of the border, the Queenslanders will be confident that they can wrap the series up in Perth before heading home to Brisbane for Game III. The Maroons made the most of their opportunities in the opening game of the series and seemed to pose more players that broke the game wide open. Their bench, consisting of Harry Grant, Lindsay Collins, Patrick Carrigan and Jeremiah Nanai did so when they were introduced during the first half. Grant and Carrigan entered the match at roughly the same time and were immense in changing the tide of the game after the Blues struck early with a Wighton try in the 14th minute. From there, it was the Queenslanders who looked most likely and in particular, Cameron Munster who secured his second man of the match award in his 14-game Origin career with an outstanding performance.

Munster was backed by some excellent performances by Queensland debutants in teenager Selwyn Cobbo and Reuben Cotter who showed that the Origin stage isn't too big for either of them as the former came up with a highlight play for the Maroons first try and the latter put in his usual hard-working 80-minute performance which we've seen plenty of times this season for the Cowboys. The whole Queensland 17 will have to be up for the battle once again and Billy Slater will make sure of this as he looks to secure a series win in his first coaching stint of his career. Unlike the Blues, the Maroons have made only two changes, both being necessary as Xavier Coates and Reuben Cotter will miss Game II after suffering injuries and they have been replaced by Murray Taulagi (debut) and Jai Arrow in the 17.

WHO TO WATCH: Honestly, all 34 players in this match could have an impact on the game as is the nature of State of Origin, but two in particular come to mind. Firstly, New South Wales fullback and captain James Tedesco will be a key player in Game II as they try and keep the series alive. Tedesco, one of the best fullbacks in the game, seems to have his best performances for the Origin arena. Game I was no exception as the Roosters fullback accumulated 291 run metres and 80 post contact metres from just 24 carries of the football. Tedesco also proved to be a handful for Queensland defenders, breaking the line on one occasion and busting through eight tackles. Arguably one of New South Wales' best fullbacks in Origin history, Tedesco has scored seven tries, assisted a further 13 and averaged 209.1 running metres in his 17-game Origin career.

Secondly, on the opposing team, Game I's man of the match, Cameron Munster will once again be pivotal to a Queensland victory. In his excellent performance in Game I, Munster accumulate 198 running metres, broke seven tackles, completed 22 tackles and made one line break. His main highlight came in the 47th minute as he broke through New South Wales' line on the back of some individual brilliance which left New South Wales defenders grasping at him. The Maroons scored just a minute later. The former Wally Lewis Medallist is in red hot form at the moment and has played a big part in Melbourne's success so far this season having scored seven tries, assisting a further 12 and averaging 129.9 running metres, his most per game since moving into the halves. These brilliant players are two of the best in the game and they'll get another chance on the biggest stage of all to showcase their talents.

FAVOURITE: New South Wales enter Game II as the favourites despite losing to the Queenslanders in the opening game in Sydney. Optus Stadium, which has hosted only one Origin match in the past was won convincingly by New South Wales in 2019, a match with the exact same stakes on the line. Queensland won Game I by four-points that and went on to lose the two following games. Will the same play out this year? Or will Queensland win their 23rd State of Origin title.

MY TIP: I'm hoping for another exhilarating clash between the two rival states in Perth, whilst I think this will be another close match, New South Wales have my tip to win and take it to a series decider in hostile Brisbane. New South Wales by six points.

NSWRL TEAMLISTS & RESULTS

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KNOCK-ON EFFECT NSW CUP

ROUND 15 RESULTS

Penrith Panthers (26) Tries: Daeon Amituanai 2, Sean O'Sullivan, John Faiumu, Trent Toelau; Goals: Sean O'Sullivan 3 **def Newtown Jets (6)** Tries: Kayal Iro; Goals: Luke Metcalf 1 **at Henson Park**

North Sydney Bears (31) Tries: Naufahu Whyte, Toa Mata'afa, Tyler Cassel, Sandon Smith, Tom Carr; Goals: Adam Keighran 5; Field Goals: Adam Keighran 1 **def Parramatta Eels (20)** Tries: Jack A Williams, Mitch Rein, Elie El-Zakhem; Goals: Hayze Perham 4 **at Commbank Stadium**

Canberra Raiders (30) Tries: Albert Hopoate 4, Semi Valemei 2, Steven Numambo; Goals: Josh James 1 **def Newcastle Knights (26)** Tries: Lachlan Fitzgibbon, Liam Wiscombe, Tex Hoy, Brayden Musgrove, Heath Gibbs; Goals: Jake Clifford 3 **at GIO Stadium Canberra**

Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs (46) Tries: Matt Dufty 2, Declan Casey, Josh Cook, Isaac Lumelume, Bailey Biondi-Odo, Jayden Okunbor, Reece Hoffman; Goals: Bailey Hayward 8 **def Western Suburbs Magpies (12)** Tries: Junior Tupou, James Roberts, Junior Pauga **at Commbank Stadium**

Mounties RLFC (41) Tries: Brad Abbey 2, Watson Heleta 2, Mitchell Butfield, Dane Aukafolau, Ben Seufale; Goals: Dylan Smith 5, Jarrett Subloo 1; Field Goals: Brad Abbey 1 **def St George Illawarra Dragons (40)** Tries: Jayden Sullivan 2, Zach Herring 2, Tyrell Sloan, Poasa Faamausili, Jackson Ford; Goals: Jaydn Sullivan 6 **at Aubrey Keech Reserve**

South Sydney Rabbitohs (38) Tries: Cody Hodge 3, Josh Mansour, Isaiah Tass, Jacob Gagai, Davvy Moale, Richie Kennar; Goals: Isaiah Tass 3 **def Blacktown Workers Sea Eagles (12)** Tries: Steven Taupau Sako, Alfred Smalley; Goals: Jamie Humphreys 2 **at HE Laybutt Fields**

LADDER AFTER ROUND 15

| Pos | Team | P | W | L | D | F | A | +/- | Pts |
|-----|-------------------------------|----|----|----|---|-----|-----|------|-----|
| 1 | Penrith Panthers | 14 | 10 | 4 | 0 | 404 | 218 | 186 | 22 |
| 2 | Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs | 14 | 10 | 4 | 0 | 388 | 232 | 156 | 22 |
| 3 | North Sydney Bears | 14 | 10 | 4 | 0 | 379 | 295 | 84 | 22 |
| 4 | Newtown Jets | 14 | 9 | 4 | 1 | 381 | 285 | 96 | 21 |
| 5 | South Sydney Rabbitohs | 14 | 9 | 5 | 0 | 373 | 281 | 92 | 20 |
| 6 | Canberra Raiders | 13 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 360 | 318 | 42 | 20 |
| 7 | Parramatta Eels | 14 | 8 | 6 | 0 | 346 | 254 | 92 | 18 |
| 8 | St George Illawarra Dragons | 14 | 6 | 8 | 0 | 324 | 404 | -80 | 14 |
| 9 | Newcastle Knights | 14 | 5 | 9 | 0 | 301 | 365 | -64 | 12 |
| 10 | Mounties RLFC | 13 | 3 | 10 | 0 | 243 | 358 | -115 | 10 |
| 11 | Western Suburbs Magpies | 14 | 2 | 11 | 1 | 237 | 488 | -251 | 7 |
| 12 | Blacktown Workers Sea Eagles | 14 | 2 | 12 | 0 | 202 | 440 | -238 | 6 |

HARVEY NORMAN WOMEN'S PREMIERSHIP - ROUND 7

CATCH-UP MATCH ST MARYS v CENTRAL COAST ROOSTERS

Tuesday 28 June 7:00pm, NSWRL Centre of Excellence, Sydney Olympic Park
Referee: Ethan Klein; Sideline Officials: Isaac El-Hassan, Lachlan Greenfield
Check LeagueUnlimited.com for teamlists closer to match day

ROUND 8 RESULTS

North Sydney Bears (10) Tries: Page McGregor, Raecene McGregor; Goals: Luisa Yaranamua 1 **def Cronulla-Sutherland Sharks (4)** Tries: Teagan Berry **at Pointsbet Stadium**

Wests Tigers (48) Tries: Tess Staines 3, Keele Browne 3, Tyler Pelligra, Josephine Lenaz, Rebecca Pollard; Goals: Tayla Preston 6 **def Wentworthville Magpies (22)** Tries: Tamerah Leati 2, Jacinta Kiraz, Rima Butler, Breeze Ee; Goals: Kailey Thompson 1 **at Ringrose Park**

Mounties RLFC (20) Tries: Haylee Hifo 2, Jamie-Anne Wright, Jacinta Tui, Matilda Power **drew with South Sydney Rabbitohs (20)** Tries: Christine Pauli, Brittany Constable, Therese Aiton, Terri-

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ROUND 15 RESULTS

Canberra Raiders (32) Tries: Josh Pokoney, Noah Saddler, Josh Billing, Deakin Bright, Logan Lewis, Mitchel Souter; Goals: Sione Vuki 4 **def Newcastle Knights (20)** Tries: Lachlan O'Brien, Fletcher Sharpe, Jyrri Glamuzina, Luke Pietzner; Goals: Thomas Cant 2 **at Raiders Belconnen**

Wests Tigers (30) Tries: James Valevatu, Tuki Simpkins, Kurt Picken, Livai Saukuru, Jay Kirk, Zayn Wilkins; Goals: Kade Hill 3 **def Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs (16)** Tries: Jonathan Sua, Caleb Laiman, Shaquille Tavita; Goals: Jonathan Sua 2 **at Belmore Sports Ground**

Penrith Panthers (28) Tries: William Fakatoumahi 2, Niwhai Puru 2, Hohepa Puru; Goals: Addison Williams 4 **def Cronulla-Sutherland Sharks (18)** Tries: Kai Parker, Ryan Rivett, Samuel Healey; Goals: Ryan Rivett 3 **at Pointsbet Stadium**

Sydney Roosters (40) Tries: Jack Mossman 4, Phoenix Steinwede, Jordan Swann, Vuate Karawalevu, Connah Takairangi; Goals: Hugo Savala 4 **def Parramatta Eels (6)** Tries: Matt Komolafe; Goals: Ethan Sanders 1 **at Kellyville Park**

Manly-Warringah Sea Eagles (30) Tries: Tylor Bunting, Jason Smyth, Gordon Chan Kum Tong 2, Sanele Aukusitino; Goals: Tylor Bunting 5 **def South Sydney Rabbitohs (26)** Tries: Tallis Duncan 2, Ryan Garner, Wesley Bruines, Leon Te Hau; Goals: Tyrone Munro 3 **at 4 Pines Park**

St George Illawarra Dragons (38) Tries: Ben Johnson 2, Treigh Stewart 3, Hayden Budd, Braxton Wallace; Goals: Sam Hooper 4, Treigh Stewart 1 **def Victoria Thunderbolts (12)** Tries: Cole Geyer, Anisi Salani; Goals: Tiraa Ua 2 **at Casey Fields**

LADDER AFTER ROUND 15

| Pos | Team | P | W | L | D | F | A | +/- | Pts |
|-----|-------------------------------|----|----|----|---|-----|-----|------|-----|
| 1 | Sydney Roosters | 14 | 12 | 2 | 0 | 480 | 208 | 272 | 26 |
| 2 | St George Illawarra Dragons | 14 | 9 | 3 | 2 | 342 | 240 | 102 | 22 |
| 3 | Newcastle Knights | 14 | 9 | 5 | 0 | 283 | 226 | 57 | 20 |
| 4 | Wests Tigers | 13 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 304 | 270 | 34 | 18 |
| 5 | Cronulla-Sutherland Sharks | 14 | 7 | 6 | 1 | 332 | 300 | 32 | 17 |
| 6 | Penrith Panthers | 14 | 7 | 7 | 0 | 366 | 324 | 42 | 16 |
| 7 | Canberra Raiders | 13 | 6 | 7 | 0 | 273 | 390 | -117 | 16 |
| 8 | Victoria Thunderbolts | 13 | 5 | 8 | 0 | 274 | 354 | -80 | 14 |
| 9 | Parramatta Eels | 14 | 5 | 9 | 0 | 294 | 344 | -50 | 12 |
| 10 | Manly-Warringah Sea Eagles | 14 | 5 | 9 | 0 | 305 | 380 | -75 | 12 |
| 11 | Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs | 13 | 4 | 8 | 1 | 234 | 323 | -89 | 11 |
| 12 | South Sydney Rabbitohs | 14 | 3 | 11 | 0 | 268 | 396 | -128 | 8 |

Ann Caine; Goals: Akira Kelly 2 **at Aubrey Keech Reserve**

Central Coast Roosters (10) Tries: Jazlyn Evans, Jayme Fressard; Goals: Jocelyn Kelleher 1 **drew with Newcastle Knights (10)** Tries: Georgia Page, Anika Butler; Goals: Mel Howard 1 **at Morry Breen Oval**

BYE: St Marys

LADDER AFTER ROUND 8

| Pos | Team | P | W | L | D | F | A | +/- | Pts |
|-----|----------------------------|---|---|---|---|-----|-----|------|-----|
| 1 | North Sydney Bears | 6 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 144 | 60 | 84 | 12 |
| 2 | Mounties RLFC | 7 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 150 | 64 | 86 | 11 |
| 3 | Cronulla-Sutherland Sharks | 6 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 108 | 48 | 60 | 10 |
| 4 | Newcastle Knights | 6 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 120 | 82 | 38 | 10 |
| 5 | Wests Tigers | 6 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 80 | 94 | -14 | 8 |
| 6 | Central Coast Roosters | 5 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 68 | 52 | 16 | 7 |
| 7 | South Sydney Rabbitohs | 6 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 70 | 142 | -72 | 4 |
| 8 | St Marys | 6 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 58 | 158 | -100 | 4 |
| 9 | Wentworthville Magpies | 6 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 52 | 150 | -98 | 2 |

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HOSTPLUS CUP - ROUND 9

CATCH-UP MATCH SOUTHS LOGAN MAGPIES v TWEED SEAGULLS

Saturday 25 June 3:00pm; Marsden State High School, Waterford West

Referee: Nick Pelgrave; Sideline Officials: Steve Kanowski, Ben Watts

SOUTHS LOGAN: 1. Tristan Sailor 2. Jordan Pereira 3. Ethan Quai-Ward 4. Cole Waaka 5. Jezzy Ioane 6. Jack Hickson 7. Harradyn Wilson 8. Fabien Paletua-Kiri 9. Christian Hazard 10. Logan Bayliss-Brow 11. Kelly Tate 12. Kobe Tararo 13. Rory Ferguson 14. Blake Mozer 15. Jacob Elmore 16. Cruise Ten 17. Raiden Fonoti 18. Cameron Booth 19. Benaiah Bowie **TWEED:** 1. Ryland Jacobs 2. Brent Barnes 3. Ioane Seiuli 4. Lee Turner 5. Scott Galeano 6. Will Brimson 7. Lindon McGrady 8. JJ Collins 9. Blake Scott 10. Lamar Manuel-Lioleveva 11. Joshua Patston 13. Braden Robson 14. Craig Garvey 15. Charlie Murray 16. Klese Haas 17. Daniel Ross 18. Brent Woolf

ROUND 12 RESULTS

Redcliffe Dolphins (24) Tries: Edward Kosi 3, Valynce Te Whare, Trai Fuller; Goals: Daejarn Asi 2 **drew with Central Qld Capras (24)** Tries: Curtis Dansey-Smaller 2, Blake Moore, Jedidiah Simbiken, Brandon Roberts; Goals: Trey Browne 2 **at Moreton Daily Stadium**

Mackay Cutters (24) Tries: Laitia Moceidreke 2, Ewan Coutts, Kyle Schneider; Goals: Brandon Finnegan 4 **def Tweed Seagulls (22)** Tries: Brent Barnes, Ryland Jacobs, Charlie Murray, Will Brimson; Goals: Lindon McGrady 3 **at Piggabeen Sports Complex**

Wynnum Manly Seagulls (20) Tries: Zac Hosking, TC Robati, David Mead; Goals: Max Plath 4 **def Sunshine Coast Falcons (12)** Tries: Tyran Wishart, Tom Rafter; Goals: Tyson Smoothy 2 **at Stafford Park**

Townsville Blackhawks (30) Tries: Joe Boyce, Kalifa Faifai-Loa, Iosefo Balewairiki, Tom Hancock, D'Jazirhae Pua'avase; Goals: Shaun Nona 5 **def Brisbane Tigers (18)** Tries: George Fai, Bessie Toomaga, Darren Nicholls; Goals: Bessie Toomaga 3 **at Jack Manski Oval**

Ipswich Jets (26) Tries: Nathaniel Neale, Gerome Burns, Ratu Jope Rotavisoro, Ngangarra, Barker; Goals: Lachlan Cooper 5 **def Souths Logan Magpies (18)** Tries: Bradley Frith, Tristan Sailor, Jake Elmore; Goals: Tristan Sailor 3 **at Marsden State High School**

Burleigh Bears (54) Tries: Hayden Schwass 2, Matiu Stone-Dunn 3, Taine Tuapiki, Alofiana Khan-Pereira, Kea Pere, Dylan Kelly, Herman Ese'ese; Goals: Josh Rogers 7 **def Norths Devils (18)** Tries: Brendan Piakura, Rhys Kennedy, Brayden McGrady; Goals: Connor Broadhurst 3 **at Pizzey Park**

Northern Pride (30) Tries: Will Partridge 2, Matthew Egan, Nick Lui-Toso, Gideon Gela-Mosby, Ewan Moore; Goals: Will Partridge 3 **def PNG Hunters (6)** Tries: Gilimo Paul; Goals: Mark Tony 1 **at Barlow Park**

LADDER AFTER ROUND 12

| Pos | Team | P | W | L | D | F | A | +/- | Pts |
|-----|------------------------|----|----|----|---|-----|-----|------|-----|
| 1 | Burleigh Bears | 11 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 366 | 178 | 188 | 22 |
| 2 | Sunshine Coast Falcons | 11 | 7 | 3 | 1 | 262 | 190 | 72 | 17 |
| 3 | Central Qld Capras | 11 | 7 | 3 | 1 | 260 | 213 | 47 | 17 |
| 4 | Wynnum Manly Seagulls | 11 | 7 | 4 | 0 | 312 | 206 | 106 | 16 |
| 5 | Norths Devils | 11 | 7 | 4 | 0 | 256 | 255 | 1 | 16 |
| 6 | Townsville Blackhawks | 11 | 6 | 5 | 0 | 256 | 240 | 16 | 14 |
| 7 | Redcliffe Dolphins | 11 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 257 | 227 | 30 | 13 |
| 8 | Brisbane Tigers | 11 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 244 | 260 | -16 | 13 |
| 9 | Tweed Seagulls | 10 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 230 | 188 | 42 | 12 |
| 10 | Mackay Cutters | 11 | 5 | 6 | 0 | 240 | 248 | -8 | 12 |
| 11 | Northern Pride | 11 | 4 | 6 | 1 | 206 | 228 | -22 | 11 |
| 12 | PNG Hunters | 11 | 3 | 8 | 0 | 188 | 268 | -80 | 8 |
| 13 | Souths Logan Magpies | 10 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 182 | 272 | -90 | 5 |
| 14 | Ipswich Jets | 11 | 1 | 10 | 0 | 158 | 444 | -286 | 4 |

U21 HASTINGS DEERING COLTS - ROUND 7

CATCH-UP MATCH SOUTHS LOGAN MAGPIES v TWEED SEAGULLS

Saturday 25 June 1:00pm; Marsden State High School, Waterford West

Referee: Cody Kwik; Sideline Officials: Ryan Cracknell, Cameron Wegner

SOUTHS LOGAN: 1. Timothy Sielaff-Burns 2. Lachlan Mead 3. Nathaniel Tangimataiti 4. Connor Williams 5. Denzel Samoa 6. Brayden Paix 7. Lachlan Watt 8. Ricardo Evenis 9. Ezra Teuila 10. Benjamin Smith 11. Bradley Zampech 12. Rhys Sparey 13. Kaleb Winters-chang 14. Zane Lothian 15. Caleb Evans 16. Declan Buckley 17. Cameron Fitzsimmons **TWEED:** 1. Jaylan De Groot 2. Malakhi Donovan 3. Kaleb Ngamanu 4. Caleb Hodges 5. Troy Duckett 6. Jack Field 7. Taine Ujdur-Berghan 8. Khyan Weir 9. Oskar Bryant 10. Ben Liyou 11. Ryan Foran 12. Jordan Stewart 13. Jack Cullen 14. Solomon Torrens 15. Jotham Russell 16. Jesse Jackson 17. Tyler Hickey

ROUND 10 RESULTS

Redcliffe Dolphins (28) Tries: William Dobson 2, Connor Williams, Chayse Cavanagh, William Boland; Goals: William Boland 4 **def Central Qld Capras (16)** Tries: Herman Seumanufagai 2, Jye Marriott; Goals: Peyton Jenkins 2 **at Moreton Daily Stadium**

Wynnum Manly Seagulls (58) Tries: Carsen Huth 3, Grand Hagai 2, Caius Faatili, Cooper Hewett, Ben Farr, Zaen Edmonds, Kobe Martin, Luke Philp; Goals: Luke Philp 7 **def Sunshine Coast Falcons (6)** Tries: Jai Smoothy; Goals: Jai Smoothy 1 **at Stafford Park**

Mackay Cutters (22) Tries: Jordan Hill, Kane Simon, Matt McGowan, Kahlani Mooney; Goals: Brenton Baira 3 **def Tweed Seagulls (10)** Tries: Jack Field, Reef Somerville; Goals: Jordan Stewart 1 **at Piggabeen Sports Complex**

Townsville Blackhawks (23) Tries: Matua Robinson, Jordan Lipp, Jesse Yallop, Jake Bourke; Goals: Dylan White 3; Field Goals: Jake Bourke 1 **def Brisbane Tigers (10)** Tries: Ariki Wallace, Tyrone Gunn-James; Goals: Jonah Glover 1 **at Jack Manski Oval**

Ipswich Jets (46) Tries: Samuel Inoke 2, Tyree Bowman 2, Samson Sauaso, Riley Adamson, Flynn Groth, Mamakumai Naiyep, Corey Cassidy-Natano; Goals: Nathan Stephenson 5 **def Souths Logan Magpies (24)** Tries: Declan Buckley 2, Brad Zampech, Tim Sielaff-Burns; Goals: Brayden Paix 4 **at Marsden State High**

Burleigh Bears (30) Tries: Sam Shannon, Carn Connell, Ben Kay, Isaac Matalavea-Booth, Kalani Skippis; Goals: Boston Tagg 5 **def Norths Devils (16)** Tries: Will Curran, Leonard Burns, Tahrell Feaveai; Goals: Blayden Dodd 2 **at Pizzey Park**

Northern Pride (62) Tries: Liam Joseph 2, Jahoiyakim Afoa 3, Josh Henderson, Taj Walker, Sami Raivaroro, Lachlan Rayson, Sam Cramp, Ronald Lewis; Goals: Sterling Addo-Nonna 6, Jahoiyakim Afoa 3 **def Western Clydesdales (8)** Tries: Alex Brighton, Jacob Meddleton **at Barlow Park**

LADDER AFTER ROUND 10

| Pos | Team | P | W | L | D | F | A | +/- | Pts |
|-----|------------------------|---|---|---|---|-----|-----|------|-----|
| 1 | Townsville Blackhawks | 9 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 316 | 156 | 160 | 18 |
| 2 | Wynnum Manly Seagulls | 9 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 282 | 132 | 150 | 16 |
| 3 | Central Qld Capras | 9 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 318 | 178 | 140 | 16 |
| 4 | Redcliffe Dolphins | 9 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 264 | 125 | 139 | 16 |
| 5 | Tweed Seagulls | 8 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 273 | 144 | 129 | 12 |
| 6 | Souths Logan Magpies | 8 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 266 | 154 | 112 | 12 |
| 7 | Brisbane Tigers | 8 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 266 | 161 | 105 | 12 |
| 8 | Sunshine Coast Falcons | 9 | 5 | 4 | 0 | 276 | 234 | 42 | 12 |
| 9 | Norths Devils | 8 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 206 | 206 | 0 | 8 |
| 10 | Mackay Cutters | 9 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 128 | 194 | -66 | 8 |
| 11 | Burleigh Bears | 9 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 216 | 306 | -90 | 8 |
| 12 | Ipswich Jets | 9 | 2 | 7 | 0 | 178 | 320 | -142 | 6 |
| 13 | Northern Pride | 9 | 1 | 8 | 0 | 190 | 450 | -260 | 4 |
| 14 | Western Clydesdales | 9 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 106 | 525 | -419 | 2 |

2021 RUGBY LEAGUE WORLD CUP FIXTURES

MEN'S TOURNAMENT

WEEK 1

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------|-------|---|-------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|
| Sat | 15 Oct 22 | 14:30 | A | England | Samoa | St. James' Park, Newcastle |
| Sat | 15 Oct 22 | 19:30 | B | Australia | Fiji | Headingley Stadium, Leeds |
| Sun | 16 Oct 22 | 14:30 | B | Scotland | Italy | Kingston Park, Newcastle |
| Sun | 16 Oct 22 | 17:00 | C | Jamaica | Ireland | Headingley Stadium, Leeds |
| Sun | 16 Oct 22 | 19:30 | C | New Zealand | Lebanon | Halliwel Jones Stadium, Warrington |
| Mon | 17 Oct 22 | 19:30 | A | France | Greece | Eco-Power Stadium, Doncaster |
| Tue | 18 Oct 22 | 19:30 | D | Tonga | PNG | Totally Wicked Stadium, St Helens |
| Wed | 19 Oct 22 | 19:30 | D | Wales | Cook Islands | Leigh Sports Village Stadium, Leigh |

WEEK 2

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|-----|-----------|-------|---|-------------|--------------|---|
| Fri | 21 Oct 22 | 19:30 | B | Australia | Scotland | Coventry Building Society Arena, Coventry |
| Sat | 22 Oct 22 | 14:30 | B | Fiji | Italy | Kingston Park, Newcastle |
| Sat | 22 Oct 22 | 17:00 | A | England | France | University of Bolton Stadium, Bolton |
| Sat | 22 Oct 22 | 19:30 | C | New Zealand | Jamaica | MKM Stadium, Hull |
| Sun | 23 Oct 22 | 14:30 | C | Lebanon | Ireland | Leigh Sports Village Stadium, Leigh |
| Sun | 23 Oct 22 | 17:00 | A | Samoa | Greece | Eco-Power Stadium, Doncaster |
| Mon | 24 Oct 22 | 19:30 | D | Tonga | Wales | Totally Wicked Stadium, St Helens |
| Tue | 25 Oct 22 | 19:30 | D | PNG | Cook Islands | Halliwel Jones Stadium, Warrington |

WEEK 3

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|-----|-----------|-------|---|-------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|
| Fri | 28 Oct 22 | 19:30 | C | New Zealand | Ireland | Headingley Stadium, Leeds |
| Sat | 29 Oct 22 | 14:30 | A | England | Greece | Bramall Lane, Sheffield |
| Sat | 29 Oct 22 | 17:00 | B | Fiji | Scotland | Kingston Park, Newcastle |
| Sat | 29 Oct 22 | 19:30 | B | Australia | Italy | Totally Wicked Stadium, St Helens |
| Sun | 30 Oct 22 | 12:00 | C | Lebanon | Jamaica | Leigh Sports Village Stadium, Leigh |
| Sun | 30 Oct 22 | 14:30 | D | Tonga | Cook Islands | Riverside Stadium, Middlesbrough |
| Sun | 30 Oct 22 | 17:00 | A | Samoa | France | Halliwel Jones Stadium, Warrington |
| Mon | 31 Oct 22 | 19:30 | D | PNG | Wales | Eco-Power Stadium, Doncaster |

QUARTER FINALS

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|-----|----------|-------|-----|-------------|-------------|------------------------------------|
| Fri | 4 Nov 22 | 19:30 | QF1 | Group B 1st | Group C 2nd | John Smith's Stadium, Huddersfield |
| Sat | 5 Nov 22 | 14:30 | QF2 | Group A 1st | Group D 2nd | DW Stadium, Wigan |
| Sat | 5 Nov 22 | 19:30 | QF3 | Group C 1st | Group B 2nd | MKM Stadium, Hull |
| Sun | 6 Nov 22 | 14:30 | QF4 | Group D 1st | Group A 2nd | Halliwel Jones Stadium, Warrington |

SEMI FINALS

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|-----|-----------|-------|-----|------------|------------|--------------------------|
| Fri | 11 Nov 22 | 19:30 | SF1 | QF1 winner | QF3 winner | Elland Road, Leeds |
| Sat | 12 Nov 22 | 14:30 | SF2 | QF2 winner | QF4 winner | Emirates Stadium, London |

2021 MEN'S RUGBY LEAGUE WORLD CUP FINAL

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|-----|-----------|-------|---|------------|------------|--------------------------|
| Sat | 19 Nov 22 | 16:00 | F | SF1 winner | SF2 winner | Old Trafford, Manchester |
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WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT

WEEK 1

| | | | | | | |
|-----|----------|-------|---|-------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Tue | 1 Nov 22 | 14:30 | A | England | Brazil | Headingley Stadium, Leeds |
| Tue | 1 Nov 22 | 17:00 | A | PNG | Canada | Headingley Stadium, Leeds |
| Wed | 2 Nov 22 | 17:00 | B | New Zealand | France | LNER Community Stadium, York |
| Wed | 2 Nov 22 | 19:30 | B | Australia | Cook Islands | LNER Community Stadium, York |

WEEK 2

| | | | | | | |
|-----|----------|-------|---|-------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Sat | 5 Nov 22 | 12:00 | A | England | Canada | DW Stadium, Wigan |
| Sat | 5 Nov 22 | 17:00 | A | PNG | Brazil | MKM Stadium, Hull |
| Sun | 6 Nov 22 | 17:00 | B | New Zealand | Cook Islands | LNER Community Stadium, York |
| Sun | 6 Nov 22 | 19:30 | B | Australia | France | LNER Community Stadium, York |

WEEK 3

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------|-------|---|-----------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Wed | 9 Nov 22 | 17:00 | A | Canada | Brazil | Headingley Stadium, Leeds |
| Wed | 9 Nov 22 | 19:30 | A | England | PNG | Headingley Stadium, Leeds |
| Thu | 10 Nov 22 | 17:00 | B | France | Cook Islands | LNER Community Stadium, York |
| Thu | 10 Nov 22 | 19:30 | B | Australia | New Zealand | LNER Community Stadium, York |

SEMI FINALS

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|-----|-----------|-------|-----|-------------|-------------|------------------------------|
| Mon | 14 Nov 22 | 17:00 | SF1 | Group B 1st | Group A 2nd | LNER Community Stadium, York |
| Mon | 14 Nov 22 | 19:30 | SF2 | Group A 1st | Group B 2nd | LNER Community Stadium, York |

2021 WOMEN'S RUGBY LEAGUE WORLD CUP FINAL

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|-----|-----------|-------|---|------------|------------|--------------------------|
| Sat | 19 Nov 22 | 13:15 | F | SF1 winner | SF2 winner | Old Trafford, Manchester |
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WHEELCHAIR TOURNAMENT

WEEK 1

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|-----|----------|-------|---|----------|-----------|------------------------------|
| Thu | 3 Nov 22 | 17:00 | A | Spain | Ireland | Copper Box Arena, London |
| Thu | 3 Nov 22 | 19:30 | A | England | Australia | Copper Box Arena, London |
| Fri | 4 Nov 22 | 11:00 | B | France | Wales | The EIS Sheffield, Sheffield |
| Fri | 4 Nov 22 | 13:30 | B | Scotland | USA | The EIS Sheffield, Sheffield |

WEEK 2

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|-----|----------|-------|---|-----------|----------|------------------------------|
| Sun | 6 Nov 22 | 12:00 | A | England | Spain | Copper Box Arena, London |
| Sun | 6 Nov 22 | 14:30 | A | Australia | Ireland | Copper Box Arena, London |
| Mon | 7 Nov 22 | 17:00 | B | France | Scotland | The EIS Sheffield, Sheffield |
| Mon | 7 Nov 22 | 19:30 | B | Wales | USA | The EIS Sheffield, Sheffield |

WEEK 3

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|-----|-----------|-------|---|-----------|----------|------------------------------|
| Wed | 9 Nov 22 | 11:00 | A | Australia | Spain | Copper Box Arena, London |
| Wed | 9 Nov 22 | 13:30 | A | England | Ireland | Copper Box Arena, London |
| Thu | 10 Nov 22 | 11:00 | B | France | USA | The EIS Sheffield, Sheffield |
| Thu | 10 Nov 22 | 13:30 | B | Wales | Scotland | The EIS Sheffield, Sheffield |

SEMI FINALS

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|-----|-----------|-------|-----|-------------|-------------|------------------------------|
| Sat | 12 Nov 22 | 12:00 | SF1 | Group B 1st | Group A 2nd | The EIS Sheffield, Sheffield |
| Sat | 12 Nov 22 | 14:30 | SF2 | Group A 1st | Group B 2nd | The EIS Sheffield, Sheffield |

2021 WHEELCHAIR RUGBY LEAGUE WORLD CUP FINAL

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|-----|-----------|-------|---|------------|------------|--------------------------------|
| Fri | 18 Nov 22 | 19:30 | F | SF1 winner | SF2 winner | Manchester Central, Manchester |
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2022 NRL DRAW

ROUND 1

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------|-------|------------|-------------|------------|---------|
| Thu | 10 Mar 22 | 20:05 | Penrith | Manly | BlueBet | 28 - 6 |
| Fri | 11 Mar 22 | 18:00 | Canberra | Cronulla | GIO | 24 - 19 |
| Fri | 11 Mar 22 | 20:05 | Brisbane | Souths | Suncorp | 11 - 4 |
| Sat | 12 Mar 22 | 15:00 | Sydney | Newcastle | SCG | 6 - 20 |
| Sat | 12 Mar 22 | 17:30 | Warriors | St Geo Illa | Sun. Coast | 16 - 28 |
| Sat | 12 Mar 22 | 19:35 | W Tigers | Melbourne | CommBank | 16 - 26 |
| Sun | 13 Mar 22 | 16:05 | Parramatta | Gold Coast | CommBank | 32 - 28 |
| Sun | 13 Mar 22 | 18:15 | North Qld | Canterbury | Qld C.B | 4 - 6 |

ROUND 2

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------|-------|-------------|------------|------------|----------|
| Thu | 17 Mar 22 | 20:05 | Melbourne | Souths | AAMI | 15 - 14* |
| Fri | 18 Mar 22 | 18:00 | St Geo Illa | Penrith | Netstrata | 16 - 20 |
| Fri | 18 Mar 22 | 20:05 | Sydney | Manly | SCG | 26 - 12 |
| Sat | 19 Mar 22 | 15:00 | Gold Coast | Warriors | Cbus Super | 20 - 18 |
| Sat | 19 Mar 22 | 17:30 | Cronulla | Parramatta | PointsBet | 18 - 16 |
| Sat | 19 Mar 22 | 19:35 | North Qld | Canberra | Qld C.B | 26 - 6 |
| Sun | 20 Mar 22 | 16:05 | Newcastle | W Tigers | McD Jones | 26 - 4 |
| Sun | 20 Mar 22 | 18:15 | Canterbury | Brisbane | Accor | 10 - 16 |

ROUND 3 - MULTICULTURAL ROUND

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------|-------|-------------|------------|------------|----------|
| Thu | 24 Mar 22 | 20:05 | St Geo Illa | Cronulla | WIN | 12 - 36 |
| Fri | 25 Mar 22 | 18:00 | W Tigers | Warriors | C'town | 12 - 16 |
| Fri | 25 Mar 22 | 20:05 | Souths | Sydney | Accor | 28 - 16 |
| Sat | 26 Mar 22 | 15:00 | Penrith | Newcastle | Carrington | 38 - 20 |
| Sat | 26 Mar 22 | 17:30 | Melbourne | Parramatta | AAMI | 24 - 28* |
| Sat | 26 Mar 22 | 19:35 | Canberra | Gold Coast | GIO | 24 - 22 |
| Sun | 27 Mar 22 | 16:05 | Brisbane | North Qld | Suncorp | 12 - 38 |
| Sun | 27 Mar 22 | 18:15 | Manly | Canterbury | 4 Pines | 13 - 12 |

ROUND 4

NOTE: Eastern Daylight Saving Time ended in Australia Sun 03 Apr 2:00am

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|-----|-----------|-------|------------|-------------|------------|---------|
| Thu | 31 Mar 22 | 20:05 | Gold Coast | W Tigers | Cbus Super | 8 - 6 |
| Fri | 01 Apr 22 | 18:00 | Cronulla | Newcastle | PointsBet | 18 - 0 |
| Fri | 01 Apr 22 | 20:05 | Penrith | Souths | BlueBet | 26 - 12 |
| Sat | 02 Apr 22 | 15:00 | Warriors | Brisbane | Redcliffe | 20 - 6 |
| Sat | 02 Apr 22 | 17:30 | Manly | Canberra | Mudgee | 25 - 6 |
| Sat | 02 Apr 22 | 19:35 | North Qld | Sydney | Qld C.B | 28 - 4 |
| Sun | 03 Apr 22 | 16:05 | Melbourne | Canterbury | AAMI | 44 - 0 |
| Sun | 03 Apr 22 | 18:15 | Parramatta | St Geo Illa | CommBank | 48 - 14 |

ROUND 5

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------|-------|------------|-------------|------------|----------|
| Thu | 07 Apr 22 | 19:50 | Newcastle | Manly | McD Jones | 6 - 30 |
| Fri | 08 Apr 22 | 18:00 | Warriors | North Qld | Redcliffe | 25 - 24* |
| Fri | 08 Apr 22 | 19:55 | Brisbane | Sydney | Suncorp | 20 - 24 |
| Sat | 09 Apr 22 | 15:00 | Canberra | Melbourne | Wagga | 16 - 30 |
| Sat | 09 Apr 22 | 17:30 | Souths | St Geo Illa | Accor | 24 - 12 |
| Sat | 09 Apr 22 | 19:35 | Gold Coast | Parramatta | Cbus Super | 20 - 26 |
| Sun | 10 Apr 22 | 16:05 | Cronulla | W Tigers | Pointsbet | 30 - 4 |
| Sun | 10 Apr 22 | 18:15 | Canterbury | Penrith | CommBank | 12 - 32 |

ROUND 6 - EASTER

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|-----|-----------|-------|-------------|------------|-----------|---------|
| Thu | 14 Apr 22 | 19:50 | Canberra | North Qld | GIO | 12 - 18 |
| Fri | 15 Apr 22 | 18:00 | Souths | Canterbury | Stadium | 36 - 16 |
| Fri | 15 Apr 22 | 19:55 | Penrith | Brisbane | Bluebet | 40 - 12 |
| Sat | 16 Apr 22 | 17:30 | Manly | Gold Coast | 4 Pines | 26 - 18 |
| Sat | 16 Apr 22 | 19:35 | Melbourne | Cronulla | AAMI Park | 34 - 18 |
| Sun | 17 Apr 22 | 14:00 | Sydney | Warriors | SCG | 22 - 14 |
| Sun | 17 Apr 22 | 16:05 | St Geo Illa | Newcastle | WIN | 21 - 16 |
| Mon | 18 Apr 22 | 16:00 | Parramatta | W Tigers | CommBank | 20 - 21 |

ROUND 7 - ANZAC ROUND

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------|-------|-------------|------------|-----------|---------|
| Thu | 21 Apr 22 | 19:50 | Cronulla | Manly | Pointsbet | 34 - 22 |
| Thu | 22 Apr 22 | 19:55 | Brisbane | Canterbury | Suncorp | 34 - 14 |
| Sat | 23 Apr 22 | 17:30 | North Qld | Gold Coast | Qld C.B. | 30 - 4 |
| Sat | 23 Apr 22 | 19:35 | W Tigers | Souths | CommBank | 23 - 22 |
| Sun | 24 Apr 22 | 14:00 | Newcastle | Parramatta | McD Jones | 2 - 39 |
| Sun | 24 Apr 22 | 16:05 | Penrith | Canberra | Bluebet | 36 - 6 |
| Mon | 25 Apr 22 | 16:00 | St Geo Illa | Sydney | SCG | 14 - 12 |
| Mon | 25 Apr 22 | 19:00 | Melbourne | Warriors | AAMI Park | 70 - 10 |

ROUND 8

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------|-------|-------------|-----------|------------|----------|
| Thu | 28 Apr 22 | 19:50 | Brisbane | Cronulla | Suncorp | 16 - 7 |
| Fri | 29 Apr 22 | 18:00 | Gold Coast | Penrith | Cbus Super | 4 - 18 |
| Fri | 29 Apr 22 | 19:55 | Souths | Manly | Cen. Coast | 40 - 22 |
| Sat | 30 Apr 22 | 15:00 | Warriors | Canberra | Redcliffe | 21 - 20* |
| Sat | 30 Apr 22 | 17:30 | Canterbury | Sydney | Accor | 16 - 12 |
| Sat | 30 Apr 22 | 19:35 | Parramatta | North Qld | Darwin | 4 - 35 |
| Sun | 01 May 22 | 14:00 | Newcastle | Melbourne | McD Jones | 2 - 50 |
| Sun | 01 May 22 | 16:05 | St Geo Illa | W Tigers | WIN | 12 - 6 |

ROUND 9

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------|-------|-----------|-------------|-----------|---------|
| Thu | 05 May 22 | 19:50 | Souths | Brisbane | Accor | 12 - 32 |
| Fri | 06 May 22 | 18:00 | Canberra | Canterbury | GIO | 14 - 4 |
| Fri | 06 May 22 | 19:55 | Penrith | Parramatta | Bluebet | 20 - 22 |
| Sat | 07 May 22 | 15:00 | Manly | W Tigers | 4 Pines | 36 - 22 |
| Sat | 07 May 22 | 17:30 | Sydney | Gold Coast | Mackay | 44 - 16 |
| Sat | 07 May 22 | 19:35 | North Qld | Newcastle | Qld C.B. | 36 - 16 |
| Sun | 08 May 22 | 14:00 | Melbourne | St Geo Illa | AAMI Park | 42 - 6 |
| Sun | 08 May 22 | 16:05 | Cronulla | Warriors | Pointsbet | 29 - 10 |

ROUND 10 - MAGIC ROUND BRISBANE

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------|-------|------------|-------------|---------|----------|
| Fri | 13 May 22 | 18:00 | Canterbury | Newcastle | Suncorp | 6 - 16 |
| Fri | 13 May 22 | 20:05 | Manly | Brisbane | Suncorp | 0 - 38 |
| Sat | 14 May 22 | 15:00 | Warriors | Souths | Suncorp | 30 - 32 |
| Sat | 14 May 22 | 17:30 | Gold Coast | St Geo Illa | Suncorp | 20 - 16* |
| Sat | 14 May 22 | 19:45 | Melbourne | Penrith | Suncorp | 6 - 32 |
| Sun | 15 May 22 | 13:50 | Cronulla | Canberra | Suncorp | 10 - 30 |
| Sun | 15 May 22 | 16:05 | Sydney | Parramatta | Suncorp | 31 - 24 |
| Sun | 15 May 22 | 18:25 | W Tigers | North Qld | Suncorp | 12 - 36 |

ROUND 11

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------|-------|-------------|------------|------------|---------|
| Thu | 19 May 22 | 19:50 | Newcastle | Brisbane | McD Jones | 12 - 36 |
| Fri | 20 May 22 | 18:00 | W Tigers | Canterbury | Leichhardt | 36 - 22 |
| Fri | 20 May 22 | 19:55 | Parramatta | Manly | CommBank | 22 - 20 |
| Sat | 21 May 22 | 15:00 | St Geo Illa | Warriors | Netstrata | 24 - 18 |
| Sat | 21 May 22 | 17:30 | North Qld | Melbourne | Qld C.B. | 36 - 6 |
| Sat | 21 May 22 | 19:35 | Sydney | Penrith | SCG | 12 - 32 |
| Sun | 22 May 22 | 14:00 | Souths | Canberra | Dubbo | 12 - 32 |
| Sun | 22 May 22 | 16:05 | Gold Coast | Cronulla | Cbus Super | 18 - 25 |

ROUND 12 - INDIGENOUS ROUND

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------|-------|------------|-------------|-----------|---------|
| Thu | 26 May 22 | 19:50 | Melbourne | Manly | AAMI Park | 28 - 8 |
| Fri | 27 May 22 | 18:00 | Penrith | North Qld | Bluebet | 22 - 0 |
| Fri | 27 May 22 | 19:55 | Brisbane | Gold Coast | Suncorp | 35 - 24 |
| Sat | 28 May 22 | 15:00 | Warriors | Newcastle | Redcliffe | 16 - 24 |
| Sat | 28 May 22 | 17:30 | Souths | W Tigers | Accor | 44 - 18 |
| Sat | 28 May 22 | 19:35 | Cronulla | Sydney | Pointsbet | 16 - 36 |
| Sun | 29 May 22 | 14:00 | Canterbury | St Geo Illa | Belmore | 24 - 34 |
| Sun | 29 May 22 | 16:05 | Canberra | Parramatta | GIO | 20 - 28 |

ROUND 13

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------|-------|------------|------------|------------|---------|
| Thu | 02 Jun 22 | 19:50 | Gold Coast | North Qld | Cbus Super | 6 - 32 |
| Fri | 03 Jun 22 | 19:55 | Penrith | Canterbury | Bluebet | 30 - 18 |
| Sat | 04 Jun 22 | 19:35 | Manly | Warriors | 4 Pines | 44 - 12 |
| Sun | 05 Jun 22 | 16:05 | Canberra | Sydney | GIO | 22 - 16 |

Byes: Brisbane, Cronulla, Melbourne, Newcastle, Parramatta, St Geo Illa, Souths, W Tigers

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ROUND 14

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------|-------|------------|-------------|------------|---------|
| Fri | 10 Jun 22 | 19:55 | North Qld | St Geo Illa | Qld C.B. | 31 - 12 |
| Sat | 11 Jun 22 | 15:00 | Gold Coast | Souths | Cbus Super | 16 - 30 |
| Sat | 11 Jun 22 | 17:30 | Sydney | Melbourne | SCG | 18 - 26 |
| Sat | 11 Jun 22 | 19:35 | Brisbane | Canberra | Suncorp | 24 - 18 |
| Sun | 12 Jun 22 | 14:00 | W Tigers | Manly | C'town | 4 - 30 |
| Sun | 12 Jun 22 | 16:05 | Newcastle | Penrith | McD Jones | 6 - 42 |
| Sun | 12 Jun 22 | 18:15 | Warriors | Cronulla | Redcliffe | 16 - 38 |
| Mon | 13 Jun 22 | 16:00 | Canterbury | Parramatta | Accor | 34 - 4 |

ROUND 15

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------|-------|-------------|------------|------------|---------|
| Thu | 16 Jun 22 | 19:50 | St Geo Illa | Souths | WIN | 32 - 12 |
| Fri | 17 Jun 22 | 18:00 | Manly | North Qld | 4 Pines | 26 - 28 |
| Fri | 17 Jun 22 | 19:55 | Melbourne | Brisbane | AAMI Park | 32 - 20 |
| Sat | 18 Jun 22 | 15:00 | Cronulla | Gold Coast | Coffs Hbr. | 18 - 10 |
| Sat | 18 Jun 22 | 17:30 | Warriors | Penrith | Redcliffe | 6 - 40 |
| Sat | 18 Jun 22 | 19:35 | Parramatta | Sydney | CommBank | 26 - 16 |
| Sun | 19 Jun 22 | 14:00 | Canberra | Newcastle | GIO | 20 - 18 |
| Sun | 19 Jun 22 | 16:05 | Canterbury | W Tigers | CommBank | 36 - 12 |

WOMENS STATE OF ORIGIN - FRI 24 JUN (GIO)

MEN S & WOMENS INTERNATIONALS: NZ v TONGA - SAT 25 JUN (Mt Smart)

PACIFIC TEST: SAMOA v COOK ISLANDS - SAT 25 JUN (Campbelltown)

PACIFIC TEST: FIJI v PNG - SAT 25 JUN (Campbelltown)

STATE OF ORIGIN II - SUN 26 JUN (Optus Stadium, Perth)

ROUND 16 - BEANIES ROUND

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------|-------|-------------|------------|-----------|--|
| Thu | 30 Jun 22 | 19:50 | Manly | Melbourne | 4 Pines | |
| Fri | 01 Jul 22 | 18:00 | Newcastle | Gold Coast | McD Jones | |
| Fri | 01 Jul 22 | 19:55 | Penrith | Sydney | Bluebet | |
| Sat | 02 Jul 22 | 15:00 | Canterbury | Cronulla | CommBank | |
| Sat | 02 Jul 22 | 17:30 | North Qld | Brisbane | Qld C.B. | |
| Sat | 02 Jul 22 | 19:35 | Souths | Parramatta | Accor | |
| Sun | 03 Jul 22 | 14:00 | Warriors | W Tigers | Mt Smart | |
| Sun | 03 Jul 22 | 16:05 | St Geo Illa | Canberra | WIN | |

ROUND 17

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------|-------|-----------|-------------|------------|--|
| Thu | 07 Jul 22 | 19:50 | Cronulla | Melbourne | Pointsbet | |
| Fri | 08 Jul 22 | 19:55 | Newcastle | Souths | McD Jones | |
| Sat | 09 Jul 22 | 19:35 | W Tigers | Parramatta | Leichhardt | |
| Sun | 10 Jul 22 | 16:05 | Brisbane | St Geo Illa | Suncorp | |

Byes: Canberra, Canterbury, Gold Coast, Manly, North Qld, Penrith, Sydney, Warriors

STATE OF ORIGIN II - WED 13 JUL (Suncorp, Brisbane)

ROUND 18

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------|-------|------------|-------------|------------|--|
| Fri | 15 Jul 22 | 18:00 | North Qld | Cronulla | Qld C.B. | |
| Fri | 15 Jul 22 | 19:55 | Parramatta | Warriors | CommBank | |
| Sat | 16 Jul 22 | 15:00 | Sydney | St Geo Illa | Cen. Coast | |
| Sat | 16 Jul 22 | 17:30 | Manly | Newcastle | 4 Pines | |
| Sat | 16 Jul 22 | 19:35 | Gold Coast | Brisbane | Cbus Super | |
| Sun | 17 Jul 22 | 14:00 | W Tigers | Penrith | CommBank | |
| Sun | 17 Jul 22 | 16:05 | Melbourne | Canberra | AAMI Park | |
| Sun | 17 Jul 22 | 18:15 | Canterbury | Souths | Accor | |

ROUND 19

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------|-------|-------------|------------|-----------|--|
| Thu | 21 Jul 22 | 19:50 | Parramatta | Brisbane | CommBank | |
| Fri | 22 Jul 22 | 18:00 | St Geo Illa | Manly | Netstrata | |
| Fri | 22 Jul 22 | 19:55 | Newcastle | Sydney | McD Jones | |
| Sat | 23 Jul 22 | 15:00 | Canberra | Warriors | GIO | |
| Sat | 23 Jul 22 | 17:30 | Penrith | Cronulla | Bluebet | |
| Sat | 23 Jul 22 | 19:35 | Souths | Melbourne | Accor | |
| Sun | 24 Jul 22 | 14:00 | Canterbury | Gold Coast | CommBank | |
| Sun | 24 Jul 22 | 16:05 | North Qld | W Tigers | Qld C.B. | |

ROUND 20 - WOMEN IN LEAGUE ROUND

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------|-------|-------------|------------|------------|--|
| Thu | 28 Jul 22 | 19:50 | Manly | Sydney | 4 Pines | |
| Fri | 29 Jul 22 | 18:00 | Warriors | Melbourne | Mt Smart | |
| Fri | 29 Jul 22 | 19:55 | Parramatta | Penrith | CommBank | |
| Sat | 30 Jul 22 | 15:00 | Gold Coast | Canberra | Cbus Super | |
| Sat | 30 Jul 22 | 17:30 | Cronulla | Souths | Pointsbet | |
| Sat | 30 Jul 22 | 19:35 | Brisbane | W Tigers | Suncorp | |
| Sun | 31 Jul 22 | 14:00 | Newcastle | Canterbury | McD Jones | |
| Sun | 31 Jul 22 | 16:05 | St Geo Illa | North Qld | Netstrata | |

ROUND 21

| | | | | | | |
|-----|-----------|-------|------------|-------------|------------|--|
| Thu | 04 Aug 22 | 19:50 | Sydney | Brisbane | SCG | |
| Fri | 05 Aug 22 | 18:00 | Melbourne | Gold Coast | AAMI Park | |
| Fri | 05 Aug 22 | 19:55 | Manly | Parramatta | 4 Pines | |
| Sat | 06 Aug 22 | 15:00 | Souths | Warriors | Sun. Coast | |
| Sat | 06 Aug 22 | 17:30 | Canberra | Penrith | GIO | |
| Sat | 06 Aug 22 | 19:35 | Cronulla | St Geo Illa | Pointsbet | |
| Sun | 07 Aug 22 | 14:00 | Canterbury | North Q | | |



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