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From the editor

Tim Costello

Another week has flown by in rugby league and indeed the UK competition is again in upheaval, with more positive COVID-19 tests, this time in the Catalans squads. A late change to the fixtures will see Wigan host Castleford in the first Saturday game in Round 10 Super League.

Back here in Australia, the race to the finals is on in earnest - in this week's edition Paul Jobber looks at the top eight and their run home, with his prediction of where the chips will fall. Speaking of finals - Joshua Wells' fantastic cover story features Dene Halatau, who almost didn't take the field when the Wests Tigers picked up their maiden title in 2005.

We have a third special feature this week - match reports from the opening round of the 1908 season thanks to Andrew Ferguson. It's a great read - flip through and check it out.

Happy reading!

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The run home

With five rounds left, is the top eight just about settled? Check out what your team's final month of footy looks like.

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Contributor



WITH five rounds to go until the 2020 Telstra Premiership finals series begins, the top eight looks confirmed with the final standings still to be determined.

Newcastle will play their first post-season fixture since 2013,

while only a spectacular slip in form will prevent Penrith from claiming their first minor premiership since 2003.

Manly, Wests Tigers, the Warriors and the Dragons can still mathematically make the finals, but are now relying on South Sydney and Cronulla to fall over.

PENRITH (1st)

Run home: Tigers (H), Broncos (A), Eels (H), Cowboys (A), Bulldogs (A)



The Panthers are the form team of the competition and rightly hold premiership favouritism after winning their last 10 in a row. They have a relatively soft run into the finals with a Round 18 clash against Parramatta the only match you could mount a case that they could lose. They will be minor premiers. The Panthers will hope an impressive record that has seen them lift the trophy on grand final day on both occasions where they finished as minor premiers continues. The club did the double in both 1991 and 2003. Will they complete the trifecta in 2020?

Predicted finish: 1st

PARRAMATTA (3rd)

Run home: Rabbitohs (H), Warriors (A), Panthers (A), Broncos (H), Tigers (A)



After winning an impressive seven of their first eight, the Eels have been far from impressive ever since. While Parramatta have won five of their last seven, they have ridden their luck to do so. Newcastle had three tries disallowed in the Eels' 10-4 win in Round 8, while the Sharks scored more tries but couldn't buy a goal in the Eels' 14-12 win in Round 13. They then raced out to an 18-point lead early in Round 12 before they hung on to win 18-16 win over last-placed Canterbury. The jury is out whether they can challenge the Panthers - or the Storm when they have Smith and Munster back in the side. **Predicted finish: 3rd**

MELBOURNE (2nd)

Run home: Sea Eagles (H), Rabbitohs (A), Cowboys (H), Tigers (H), Dragons (A)



Melbourne continue to go about their work with a minimum of fuss and have rarely missed a beat despite suffering injuries to key players in recent weeks. They should welcome back Cam Smith and Cameron Munster in the run to the finals, proving timely additions to Craig Bellamy's men. A 14-0 slipup at Bankwest Stadium last week is their only loss in the last nine weeks. They just know how to get the job done at the business end of the season.

Predicted finish: 2nd

SYDNEY ROOSTERS (4th)

Run home: Broncos (H), Raiders (A), Knights (H), Sharks (H), Rabbitohs (A)



The Roosters sit in a precarious fourth position on for and against ahead of the Raiders in fifth and only one point ahead of the Knights in sixth. The tricolours have wobbled over the past six weeks, winning three of four by an average margin of seven points and losing two. Their tricky run home sees them face four other teams in the top eight with back-to-back clashes against the Raiders and Knights to go a long way towards determining who secures that all-important top four berth and a second bite of the finals cherry.

Predicted finish: 5th



CANBERRA (5th)

Run home: **Bulldogs (H), Roosters (H), Dragons (A), Warriors (H), Sharks (A)**



Ricky Stuart's men appear poised to surge into the top four with a favourable run home. A clash with the Roosters in a fortnight looms as a top four shootout with the winner to almost certainly lock up fourth spot. Injuries have cruelled the Raiders, but they have dug deep to overcome the loss of Josh Hodgson for the season which has allowed halfback George Williams to assume more responsibility. Most of their other injured brigade should be back by the finals.

Predicted finish: 4th

SOUTH SYDNEY (7th)

Run home: **Eels (A), Storm (H), Tigers (A), Bulldogs (H), Roosters (H)**



There is a cliché often used in sport that "you're only as good as your last performance" and South Sydney's last performance was their best of the season. The glass-half-empty crew will say Manly couldn't have played much worse while the glass-half-full crew will want to mount a case that Wayne Bennett has his team primed for a run deep into the finals. We'll find out the answer to the question of whether the Rabbits are contenders in the next fortnight when they take on teams two and three.

Predicted finish: 7th

NEWCASTLE (6th)

Run home: **Warriors (A), Sharks (H), Roosters (A), Dragons (H), Titans (A)**



The Knights will play in their first finals series since 2013 and have an outside chance of finishing in the top four. But they could look back and rue losses to lowly North Queensland and Canterbury earlier in the season as the difference between a second-chance saloon in September and having to win four-straight elimination matches to win their first premiership in nearly two decades. The Knights' best footy is arguably good enough to challenge the contenders, but their consistency is a work in progress for coach Adam O'Brien. Four season-ending injuries to players in their spine looms as a mountain too high to overcome.

Predicted finish: 6th

CRONULLA (8th)

Run home: **Cowboys (H), Knights (A), Warriors (H), Roosters (A), Raiders (H)**



The Sharks could potentially qualify for the finals despite not beating a single top eight side all season. Should that form continue, they would leave the door ajar for one of either Manly, Wests Tigers, Dragons or Warriors to win four of their remaining five matches to sneak into eighth position. The boys from the Shire are sitting nervously inside the top eight, making this weekend's clash with North Queensland almost must-win. They don't have much wriggle room, but should still do enough to occupy the final rung on the top eight ladder.

Predicted finish: 8th

The first round of games in 1908

The opening round of the 1908 season saw four games played on a Monday, comprising of all eight foundation clubs: Balmain, Eastern Suburbs, Glebe, Newcastle, Newtown, North Sydney, South Sydney and Western Suburbs.

It had a tough debut too, being billed against the Easter Show at the RAS Showgrounds which was expected to draw around 80,000 people, while the horse races at Randwick attracted another 30,000.

The fledgling code played a pair of double headers at suburban grounds, with their marquee venue being used for the Easter Show. Both venues drew attendances of approximately 3,000 – a relatively pleasing turnout for the League.

Newtown's Jack Scott scored the first try and goal in the competition's history, while Easts Horrie Miller kicked the game's first ever field goal.

2pm: Eastern Suburbs 32 def Newtown 16 at Wentworth Park

Easts 32 (Stuntz 4, Brown, D'Alpuget, Miller, Smith tries; Jones 2, Rosenfeld goals; Miller field goal)
Newtown 16 (Scott 2, Manton, Williams tries; Scott 2 goals)



Easts: W.Fry; J.Stuntz, W.Smith, D.Brown, D.Frawley; A.Rosenfeld, L.D'Alpuget; R.Mable, L.Jones, L.O'Malley, H.Brackenreg, S.Pearce, H.Flegg, H.Miller (sub)

Newtown: E.Hurford; E.Burdett, J.Scott, E.Cheadle, L.Fairburn; C.Manton, E.MacFarlane; C.Powell, J.Williams, T.McIntosh, E.Courtney, W.Noble, H.Hamill. K.Henger (sub)

The first match at Wentworth Park saw an open and fast exhibition of the new rules. End-to-end action from the kick-off resulted in a try to Jack Scott, who put in an elusive run through the scattered defenders to score under the posts. He converted to give Newtown a 5-0 lead. The Tricolours went right on the attack and shortly after, Smith scored a try after supporting a fine run by Mable. D'Alpuget converted to level the scores.

D'Alpuget almost immediately after play resumed, scored out wide. After some enterprising play from both sides, the Easterners put on a great passing display between Frawley, Flegg, Rosenfeld and Stuntz, with the latter scoring. Easts now lead 11-5. Newtown then went on the attack and after sustained pressure, finally broke through for a try out wide to Williams, which was converted by Scott. Easts lead 11-10 at halftime.

The second half started with Easts on the attack. D'Alpuget fielded a kick and put Stuntz in space, who put in a great run to score under the posts. Jones converted and Easts lead 16-10. Brown then made a break and scored but missed the conversion from almost right in front. Easts extended to 19-10. More great passing by the Easterners' backs put Stuntz in for another try. Brown missed the conversion from almost right in front. Easts now out to a 22-10 lead. A tired Newtown side were rejuvenated when Scott snuck through for a solid try which could not be converted.

Stuntz was gifted yet another try when smart passing presented him with an open line. Jones converted and Easts were now out to a 27-13 lead. A neat short pass from Fry put Miller in space who scored. Stuntz missed the conversion. Shortly after, Miller calmly potted a field goal to give Easts a 32-13 lead.

Manton scored arguably the try of the day after a great solo effort saw him evade six defenders to run away and score under the posts. Cheadle's conversion attempt was woeful and missed. Just before fulltime a fight broke out between two players and while they were being separated, three onlookers jumped the fence and ran to the aid of the Newtown players.



Andrew Ferguson
 Contributor



2pm: South Sydney 11 def North Sydney 7 at Birchgrove Oval

Souths 11 (Anderson, A. Butler, Green tries; H. Butler goal) **Norths 7** (Lutge try; Glanville 2 goals)

Souths: A. Conlin, F. Jarman, F. Storie, E. Fry, T. Anderson; A. Butler, J. Leveson; H. Butler, J. Davis, J. Cochrane, R. Green, J. Rosewell, A. Hennessy.

Norths: W. Whitfield, A. Broomham, J. Mathieson, J. Devereux, W. McCarthy; S. Deane, M. Lyons; J. Coste, E. Boland, H. Glanville, J. Kendall, F. Notting, D. Lutge.

North Sydney put pressure on the Souths side very early on and after South Sydney were penalised in their own half, Glanville kicked a penalty goal to give the Northerners a 2-0 lead. South then received a penalty from a scrum infringement just inside their own half. Harry Butler kicked a splendid goal to level the scores. After fast play from both sides, Souths finally got an opportunity to pressure the Norths defence which eventually resulted in



a try out wide to Anderson. The try was not converted and a spirited first half saw South Sydney lead 5-2.

North Sydney started the second half as they did the first. Notting secured a loose ball and made a great run before being tackled. Lutge then scooped up the ball from dummy half and crashed over for a try which wasn't converted. South Sydney again pressured the Norths line repeatedly before a good passing play resulted in a neat try to Green. Souths now lead 8-5.

A penalty against South Sydney allowed Glanville to kick a penalty goal to bring Norths within a point. Right on full time Butler received the ball from a scrum and scored the match winning try.



3.15pm: Glebe 8 def Newcastle 5 at Wentworth Park

Glebe 8 (Davis, Venness tries; Moir goal) **Newcastle 5** (Bailey try; Bailey goal)

Glebe: W. Pendergast, L. Edwards, J. Ryan, E. Ogaard, A. Wright; C. Davis, A. Halloway; T. McCabe, A. Venness, R. Moir, J. Pearce, J. Moroney, A. Burdon.

Newcastle: J. Smith; W. Bailey, E. McGuinness, A. Coleman, E. Patfield; G. Hardy, R. Lawson; A. Richards, R. Kay, A. Nicholson, C. Croft, S. Carpenter, J. Bartley, E. Smith (sub)

This game started off at a fast pace but it wasn't long before some great work by the Newcastle trio of Lawson, Croft and Bailey produced the opening try of the game to the latter in the corner. McGuinness just missed the conversion from out wide and Newcastle lead 3-0.



After 4 poor attempts to get on the board with a penalty goal, Glebe eventually scored through Davis as he barged over for a good try. Ogaard missed the conversion. Kay broke his finger and was replaced by Smith early in the half. Ogaard picked up a loose pass and set down the wing before drawing the defence and passing in-field to Venness who scored. Moir converted and Glebe went to the break

leading 8-3.

Newcastle played the second half with just 12 men, however both sides were weary after the pace they played at in the first half. A Bailey penalty goal was the only score in the second half as the game became inundated with infringements.



3.15pm: Balmain 24 def Western Suburbs 0 at Birchgrove Oval

Balmain 24 (Graves 2, Latta 2, Fitzpatrick, Wilcox tries; Latta 2, Fitzpatrick goals) **Wests 0**

Balmain: J. Regent; G. Wilcox, G. Fitzpatrick, A. Walker, A. Latta; T. O'Donnell, A. Bryant; W. Fisher, A. Dobbs, E. McFadden, R. Graves, A. Ward, J. Apoloney.

Wests: G. Duffin; C. Blake, A. Brown, B. Duggan, P. Franks; L. Gormley, R. Gormley; E. Mead, W. Elliott, T. Phelan, T. Mount, J. Stack, J. Abercrombie.

The game was a lively one early on, with plenty of end to end action. Plenty of great runs and passing plays entertained the appreciative crowd thoroughly. Alf Latta opened the scoring after some good passing put him into space. He managed to step and brush off several tackles in a clever dodging run to score. Balmain returned to the Westerners half and pressured them again which eventually lead to a good forwards try by Graves, who crashed through. Balmain lead 6-0. Play continued at a good pace with Balmain in the



advantage mostly, before half time sounded.

Balmain came out full of energy in the second half against a Wests side who looked tired. Latta put on another elusive run after a scrum, to dodge and weave his way through the defence to score his second try. Balmain continued pressing the Westerners line which resulted in Graves securing his second try. This was converted by Latta and Balmain lead 14-0.

Very little time had passed before Wilcox crossed for a try which Latta converted and Balmain led 19-0. With full time approaching, Fitzpatrick received a good pass and overpowered his opposite number to score a solid try, which he converted, topping off a stunning second half performance by the Watersiders.



Breaking through: Dene Halatau reached rugby league's pinnacle in 2005. *Photo: supplied, Dene Halatau*



Premiership hero's near miss

Dene Halatau reflects on the Wests Tigers' premiership season and how he managed to be there when the trophy was lifted

Sea^{son} 2005 and the Wests Tigers run to their fairy-tale maiden NRL premiership - and 'that' flick pass - will forever be part of rugby league folklore, but it was almost over before it began for arguably one of the key cogs in lock Dene Halatau.

At the start of that season, he visited a doctor to talk through his options about a torn rotator cuff. The facts were laid out for him - get the surgery and run the risk of missing the season or committing to a year-long rehab process.

"There was a risk that I could injure it in a pretty bad way. But under the advice of doctors, surgeons, we decided to treat it with rehab and strengthen it," Halatau said.

"I would go for scans every six weeks to make sure it wouldn't completely tear and as the year progressed it was basically hanging on by the end. So, I rode it out."

The magical year for Halatau and his teammates didn't spark until late in the season. The side wasn't considered a premiership threat, despite being coached by the great Tim Sheens, and were placed outside of the top 8 for most of the season.

But an eight-game winning streak shored up a shock four finish for the orange and blacks - despite losing their last two regular season games.

With his busted rotator cuff, Halatau played a pivotal role for his team in the penultimate week of the season, as he was awarded man of the match in the Tigers' surprise 20-12 victory over red hot favourites St George Illawarra in the preliminary final.

Roll on the biggest day in the rugby league calendar and the joint-venture, in just their sixth season, hoisted the Provan-Summons trophy above their heads as Halatau and his teammates beat the Cowboys 30-16.

The joy, the elation and excitement lasted just a week before Halatau went under the knife.

Joshua Wells
Contributor



"Just eight days after the grand final me and Benji Marshall got our surgeries at the same time - thankfully I went through that with someone like him," he said.

"That year, we had really good standards and the accountability we had to each other - it is the best group I was ever apart of. Me being there or not, I was lucky enough to be part of it all."

Halatau had a whirlwind first few years in first grade when a last-minute debut was handed to him in 2003 against Manly Sea Eagles. Halatau recalled tackling one of the greats, Steve Menzies, in one of his first acts of first grade.

By the end of 2005, Halatau had won a premiership and had been given a start for his country - the New Zealand Kiwis.

"In 2004 I got to play for the Kiwis. I was taken away as a youngster and didn't really expect to play a game. It was pretty exciting as I got to play a couple matches against England and France," he said.

"My parents had actually flown over to watch my last game and it was supposed to be a surprise. Well, my cousin called me and asked if I had seen them yet - he blew the surprise."

He would go to play 249 matches in first-grade, including four seasons at the Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs from 2010-2013 and was 18th man for the blue and whites in the 2012 NRL Grand Final loss to Melbourne Storm.

Halatau would ultimately return to Tigers from 2014 until his retirement in 2016.

Seibold steps down

Brisbane Broncos media release, 26 August 2020

Anthony Seibold has chosen to step down from the Broncos Coaching role, effective immediately.

Broncos CEO Paul White said: "As you are aware, Anthony spent the last two weeks in home isolation after having to step out of the Project Apollo bubble for a serious family matter.

"During that time, Anthony has reflected on his role at the Broncos and the impact it is having on his life away from rugby league. As a result, Anthony approached Chairman Karl Morris late last week to indicate he did not wish to continue as Coach of the Brisbane Broncos. The Board understands Anthony's situation and has accepted his wishes to step down from the position.

"The role as coach of the Broncos is one of the most high-profile and high-pressure in Australian sport, and Anthony has performed admirably since starting in late 2018. But the levels of scrutiny – some of it bordering on hysterical, if not slanderous in recent times – have placed a heavy burden on Anthony and his family.

"As a Club, we have endeavoured to support Anthony and his loved ones through all of this. But at the end of the day only Anthony can understand what it is like to walk in the shoes of a Broncos Coach, and live with the highs and lows of the role. On a personal note, I would like to thank Anthony for the tremendous amount of effort and diligence he has poured into the job during his time at the Broncos. He can certainly coach, he will coach again, and he is also a very good man. He has always acted with the utmost professionalism and ushered in a new generation of stars who will become household names for our Club in the future. As a Club, we wish Anthony and his family all the best in the future. For the remainder of the season, Peter Gentle will continue to coach the team, as he has done for the past fortnight. The Board will begin the search for a new coach immediately but we will not place a timeline on that process."

Anthony Seibold, who addressed players and staff this morning before speaking with media, said: "Last week, I made the decision to finish my tenure as coach of the Brisbane Broncos. Today, I am announcing that I will be stepping down from the role immediately.

"I was honoured to be appointed Brisbane Broncos coach at the end of 2018. This was the club where I started my Rugby League journey as a young man and it's a club that I have always admired. For many reasons, my time at the Broncos did not work out as we had all hoped. But that's sport. We love sport because it's full of uncertainty. And rugby league seems to throw up uncertainty better than any sport I know.

"People ask me if there are things I'd change about the last two seasons. None of that matters right now. I gave it my best at the Broncos and I am responsible for where we currently are. Head coaches know that there is no finger-pointing and no deflection of blame when a club struggles. These events haven't dampened my enthusiasm for coaching or wanting to help others achieve. In fact, they have made me more determined. Head coaching in the NRL isn't for the faint of heart. I know that. And I know that I'll be a better coach, a better leader and a better person for all that I have learnt over these last three seasons at South Sydney and Brisbane.

"I have very much appreciated the messages of support from many people over the last two weeks. I want to thank them, and I want to let them know that I'm doing ok. I have appreciated the opportunity to coach the Broncos. I thank Karl Morris and Paul White for their work and their advice throughout my time here. They run a very successful club and they should be proud of what the Broncos achieve in shaping so many lives for the better across Queensland. This club is more than what happens on the football field and I've been privileged to see that up close.

"I thank the Broncos fans. I've had plenty of well-wishers and I've had plenty who haven't been as impressed. Sport only succeeds because of the passion of the fans. Without them, we have nothing.

"Most of all, I'm appreciative of the opportunity to be a football coach, working with young men towards a common goal. I thank my players over these last two seasons for their effort, for their camaraderie and for their passion for playing football. Our game is a brutal game physically.

"I take pride in the fact I have given NRL debuts to twelve young men over the past thirty-eight games that I have been Head Coach of the Broncos. There were also another eight players with less than twelve games when I arrived and to see many of them develop over this period into NRL players and in some cases representative players has made the many personal challenges very worthwhile."

Happy birthday!

This round's birthday boys & girls

Wednesday 26 August

Kathleen Wharton (Warriors) - 37

Thursday 27 August

Malakai Watene-Zelezniak (Panthers) - 29

Friday 28 August

Morgan Harper (Bulldogs) - 22

Jasmin Allende (Roosters) - 24

Saturday 29 August

Treyman Spry (Titans) - 21

Word Jumbles

All of these NRL players have been sent off in the past decade. How many of the names can you unscramble?

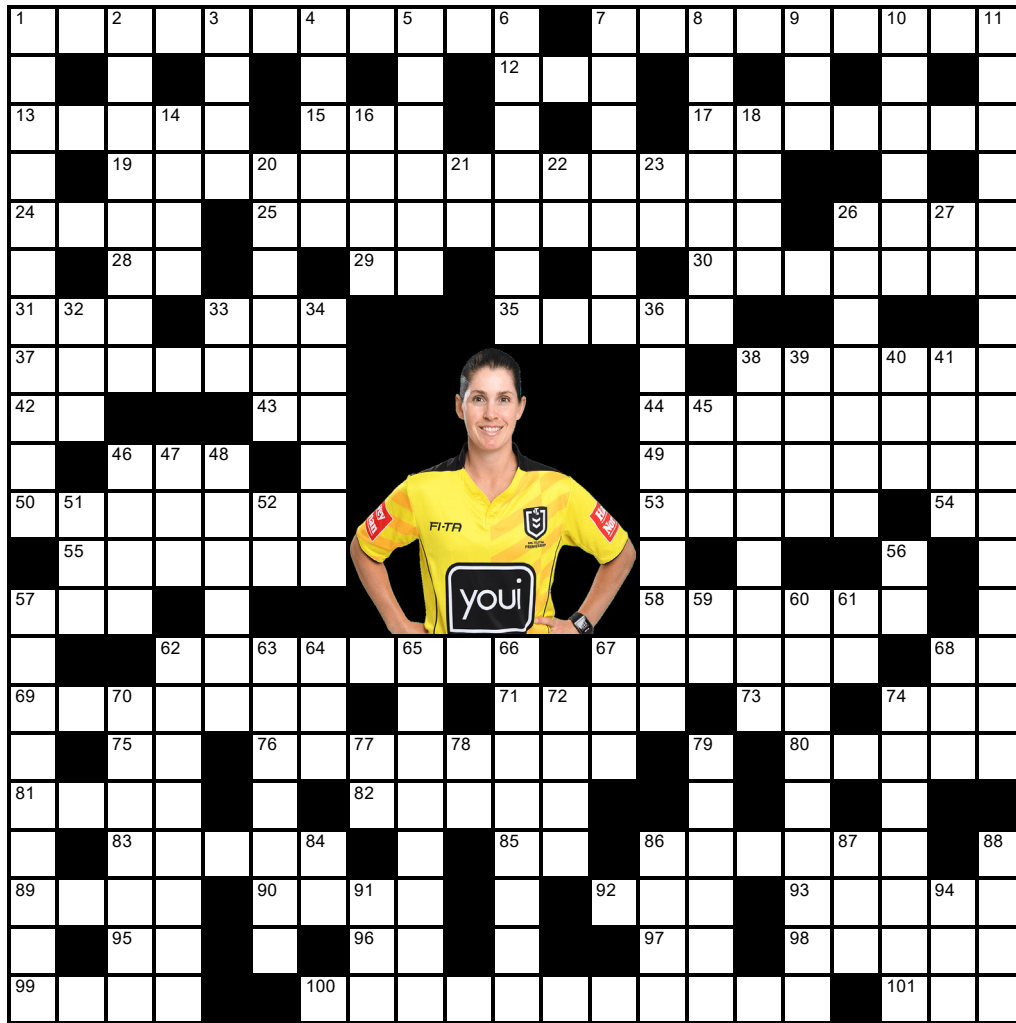
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COVER PRIKTON	TITANS	2020
CRUSTI COTTS	STORM	2018
LIVID HANGSNOTLID	RAIDERS	2015
DAWN SEEDONK	KNIGHTS	2013
HOLLINI TOEYCHINMAN	ROOSTERS	2012
BURSTS RAVIN	PANTHERS	2012
PROM TRAIT	DRAGONS	2012
RANTS NEWTLEG	SEA EAGLES	2011
BARD MALIA	STORM	2011
TULA PIANO	SHARKS	2011
PEVITA COCOVEINER	PANTHERS	2011

LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS: Mark Geyer, Steve Carter, Royce Simmons, Graham Mackay, Barry Walker, Brad Fittler, Martin Lang, Craig Gower, Shane Rodney, Tony Puletua, Luke Rooney, Preston Campbell

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Last week's answers

Mega Crossword



- 8 To try to persuade a politician, the government, or an official group that a particular thing should or should not happen (past tense) (7)
- 9 Wide Angled Lens (acronym) (3)
- 10 Read again (6)
- 11 NRL Team from over the ditch (8,8)
- 14 Former Bulldog who plays as a lock and prop for the Storm, NSW Blues (4)
- 16 First name of former player known as Freddy (4)
- 18 Acronym for Australian Safety and Compensation Council (4)
- 20 What you do to stop a players progress. (6)
- 21 Secret Service (acronym) (2)
- 22 Broken Hill (initials) (2)
- 23 Retweet (abbrev) (2)
- 26 A person who is one of the first people to do something (7)
- 27 Used to add the meaning "not", "lacking", or "the opposite of" before adjectives, adverbs, verbs, and nouns (2)
- 32 Showing that you find a bad or difficult situation slightly funny (3)
- 33 Most commonly used preposition. (2)
- 34 Nickname of former Kangaroo and hard hitting forward for the Bulldogs and Manly from from the '80s and '90s, David Gillespie (6)
- 36 Extremely Tired. (9)
- 38 Adjusting (8)
- 39 Randall Gross Development Economics (acronym) (4)
- 40 Online Regulation Management (acronym) (3)
- 41 A piece of meat from the back of an animal near the tail or from the top part of the back legs (4)
- 45 Engineering Change Proposal (acronym) (3)
- 46 Guildford RLFC mascot (4)
- 47 Abbreviation for et cetera (3)
- 48 From Coffs Harbour, played on the wing for NSW, Rabbitohs and Manly in the 70s, Tom _____ (6)
- 51 Encoded Archival Description (acronym) (3)
- 52 Initials of the team from Campbelltown. (2)
- 56 Same as 75 across. (2)
- 57 Affectionately known as Brandy (9)
- 59 Human Nature (initials) (2)
- 60 Raiders prop, played only 5 games with 100% win record in 2018, and 23 games in 2019, first name Tom. (9)
- 61 Total Nitrogen (acronym) (2)
- 62 Player _____ are rationalised and limited by the Salary Cap. (8)
- 63 Joined the Roosters as a prop. She captained the Indigenous All Stars in 2017 and has won two World Cups with the Jillaroos. _____ Young. (7)
- 64 Electronic Data Interchange (acronym) (3)
- 65 Opposite of defender (8)
- 67 Arable land put down to grass; grassland or pastureland (3)
- 68 Enjoyment or amusement. (3)
- 70 Another term for Rugby Legee arena (7)
- 72 Storm winger. (4)
- 74 Where the Raiders in the NFL hail from. (7)
- 77 Initials of Winger who played in the 1990s and 2000s for the Panthers, Wests Tigers and Halifax and represented Australia at the 1996 Super League World Nines (2)
- 78 Hong Kong (initials) (2)
- 79 The project name given to the NRL's health and safety protocols since the lockdown. (6)
- 84 Executive Order (acronym) (2)
- 86 An open area of hills covered with rough grass, especially in Britain (4)
- 87 Animal Health and Welfare (acronym) (3)
- 88 Current backrower for the Dragons' NRLW team, also represents NSW and Jillaroos. (4)
- 91 Online Network Access (3)
- 94 What Bundaberg is most famous for. (3)

Across

- 1 NRL match official - pictured (5,6)
- 7 Home of the Steelers (9)
- 12 An immeasurably or indefinitely long period of time (3)
- 13 Broncos prop 2010-2015, currently with Warrington. (5)
- 15 Low Bit Rate (acronym) (3)
- 17 A belt worn over the shoulder that is used to carry a weapon. (7)
- 19 Former name of the Sydney Roosters from 1908-1994 (7,7)
- 24 To give or hand over (something) in exchange for money (4)
- 25 A substance that induces insensitivity to pain. (11)
- 26 First name of Kangaroos and Sharks legendary prop and current commentator. (4)
- 28 Abbreviation for id est and means "in other words." (2)
- 29 Abbreviation for Doctor. (2)
- 30 Spiney ant eater (7)
- 31 Pronoun used with a possessive to emphasize that someone or something belongs or relates to the person mentioned. (3)
- 33 Australian Kennel Club (acronym) (3)
- 35 Reported (5)
- 37 Storm's preferred method of tackling (7)
- 38 Current Socceroos coach (6)
- 42 Dividend Yield (acronym) (2)
- 43 Abbreviation for Email (2)
- 44 If there's a bustle in your _____, Don't be alarmed now, it's just a spring clean for the May queen (8)
- 46 Original Engineered Machinery (acronym) (3)
- 49 The environment or community concerned with the pursuit of research, education, and

- scholarship. (8)
- 50 Home of the Newtown Jets (7)
- 53 Situated above another part. (5)
- 54 Not Required (acronym) (2)
- 55 Radio host and popular Australian wheelchair basketballer. (6)
- 57 What you see at half time in the footy (3)
- 58 How many points did the Knights score in their 2001 Grand Final win over the Eels? (6)
- 62 Kiwi rep player, currently an NRL match official (8)
- 67 Played halfback and fullback for Sharks and Manly in the '00s and early '10s, also represented Wales. (6)
- 68 Fibre Optic (acronym) (2)
- 69 Past tense to attempt or try (7)
- 71 To require (something) because it is essential or very important rather than just desirable. (4)
- 73 Initials of the continent that the Lions represent. (2)
- 74 Plural personal pronoun. (3)
- 75 First name of Cowboys outside back who played in the '00s and '10s (2)
- 76 The Morris twins just shared one of these. (8)
- 80 Fijian and Eels prop who starts from the bench. (5)
- 81 First name of Rabbitohs halfback and skipper. (4)
- 82 Debuted in 2016 for the Jillaroos on the wing and has been part of the team ever since, including the 2017 World Cup win, also works with the NRL as a Development Officer (5)
- 83 A tie in tennis after each side has scored 40 requiring two consecutive points by one side to win (5)
- 85 Initials of our great game. (2)

- 86 Fatal. (6)
 - 89 To bring about the defeat or destruction of (2,2)
 - 90 Rabbitohs hooker. (4)
 - 92 ___ Murphy played in the 1970s and 1980s for Newtown, North Sydney and the South Sydney. (3)
 - 93 Administrator and former player, previously chairman of the Eels, whom he played and won three premierships with in the 1980s. (5)
 - 95 Universal Time (acronym) (2)
 - 96 North East (initials) (2)
 - 97 Official Language (acronym) (2)
 - 98 To admit to having done something wrong. (3,2)
 - 99 This club had a reasonably short career representing Adelaide. (4)
 - 100 Roosters NRLW captain & current winger for NSW and Jillaroos (6,5)
 - 101 Data Management System (acronym) (3)
- Down**
- 1 Kangaroos & Blues prop in the '00s and '10s. He began his career at the Knights and made his debut in Round 1, 2005 against Melbourne. (4,7)
 - 2 One of the playing field boundaries (4,4)
 - 3 Home of the oldest Rugby League team in the Canberra district, known as the Magpies. (4)
 - 4 Originally from Brisbane he plays wing and centre for the Rabbitohs (5)
 - 5 Originally from Dubbo he plays back row and centre for the Wests Tigers (6)
 - 6 Disputes (7)
 - 7 Inquiry (7)

Eels back in the winner's circle against depleted Storm

Justin Davies



14-0



Parramatta Eels put together a fantastic first half display to score a dozen points and put away the depleted Melbourne Storm 14-nil tonight at Bankwest Stadium.

Coming off their shock loss to the Dragons last weekend, the Eels needed to respond. They showed in the first half, against albeit a makeshift Storm outfit, they were quite slick in the first half and ran in tries to Waqa Blake and Maika Sivo alongside a pair of Mitchell Moses goals to lead 12-nil.

The result moves the Eels back into equal second position alongside the team they vanquished tonight - Melbourne Storm on 24 points.

The impressive point for Eels coach Brad Arthur will be keeping the Storm side to nil in the game.

From their opening set, the Eels looked to spread the football. Some early

errors cruelled their attack and Mitchell Moses opened the scoring from a penalty goal to make it 2-nil.

Their right side then combined for Ryan Matterson to poke through and Waqa Blake stepped through to make it 8-nil.

The method which the Eels scored their second four-pointer will please their coach Brad Arthur for the slick delivery which allowed Sivo to make it 12-nil but it will infuriate his Storm counterpart Craig Bellamy at the ease which the left side opened off the scrum and the side usually precise on details broke down.

It was a willing performance from the young Storm side. The only second half points came from another Moses penalty goal to stretch it to 14-nil but the Eels looked to land the knockout blow through fancy play and pushed several passes to blow out the score.

Young utility Nicho Hynes brought some second half spark to the Storm attack but it lacked the usual thrust and movement which has become symbolic of the Storm in the last decade.

There will be further issues with possible injuries to hooker Brandon Smith and five-eighth Ryley Jacks both left the field with injury to add to their already lengthy injury list in recent weeks.

They also have some looming trouble at the judiciary with debutant Cooper Johns and Nelson Asofa-Solomona both put on report for dangerous tackles. The latter resulted in Asofa-Solomona having a stint in the sin bin in the second half.

LeagueUnlimited.com Player of the Year points:

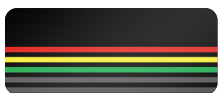
3 points - Nathan Brown

2 points - Clinton Gutherson

1 points - Junior Paulo

Night to remember for Milestone Man-sour as Panthers smash Sharks

Adam Huxtable



38-12



The Penrith Panthers have made it a stunning 10 victories in a row, beating the Sharks 38-12 on Friday evening at Penrith Stadium.

It was another game where Penrith help their opposition scoreless in the opening 20 minutes of the match, and to make matters worse for Cronulla they were able to run in three tries of their own to ambush the boys from the Shire.

Viliame Kikau was put into a hole by Isaah Yeo and in close proximity to the line there was no one who was going to stop the big Fijian.

An unsuccessful challenge from the Sharks in the 12th minute was immediately followed by Josh Mansour getting his first try of the night, going over untouched after being on the receiving end of a cutout from Jarome Luai.

Liam Martin was the standout in an already great side, and he stamped his authority in the 20th minute. He easily beat the defence of Moylan and Dugan

(not for the first time) and linked up with Brent Naden to send the winger over.

The Sharks did well to make it some sort of an arm wrestle through Jesse Ramien, who crashed over from close range to make the margin 10.

It looked as if that would be it for the half but right on the siren, Cleary did what he so often does and put in a pin-point kick which was taken by Stephen Crichton and grounded for Penrith's 4th try. That made the score 22-6 going into half time.

5 minutes into the second half, it looked like the Sharks would make some sort of a game of it when Hamlin-Uele got an offload away for Trindall, who appeared to toe it on for Jack Williams to score. The bunker would have none of it though, ruling correctly that Trindall had gotten a hand to it and therefore knocked on.

The Panthers stormed home with a wet sail from there, with Liam Martin bursting through again and this time scoring himself followed by tries to Jarome Luai and Josh Mansour again, and just like that Penrith were winning 38-6.

The Sharks were able to salvage a little respectability on the scoreboard, with Connor Tracey providing some flare with a scoot from dummy half with 5 minutes to go.

That was all she wrote in terms of points, the final scoreline 38-12 in favour of the mountain men.

Next week, the Panthers are up against the Wests Tigers at home again, while the Sharks will be back at Kogarah against North Queensland.

LeagueUnlimited.com Player of the Year points:

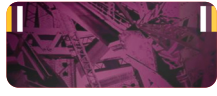
3 points - Liam Martin

2 points - Nathan Cleary

1 points - James Tamou

Dragons hold off battling Broncos

Sam Bourke



24-26



St George-Illawarra have given interim coach Dean Young a victory on debut as the Dragons secured a valuable 28-24 win over a gallant Broncos side at Suncorp Stadium tonight. The win kept the side's slim finals hopes alive, while sentencing the Broncos to their sixth straight loss.

It was former Bronco Ben Hunt who was the star for the Dragons, setting up two tries for the Red V and controlling the ruck superbly from dummy half. Dragons winger Mikaele Ravalawa also continued his tryscoring run, touching down for two tries in another great display from the Fijian winger.

The highlight of the game however was a sensational try to Broncos centre Kotoni Staggs early in the second half. After being staved of possession in the first stanza, Staggs finally received some early ball and then produced a huge fend on opposite number Euan Aitken, before exploding Dragons half Adam Clune off his back to break away. Staggs then sold a clever dummy to Matt Dufty to score one of the tries of the season. Sadly for the Broncos, it was not enough to steer them to a much needed victory. Both sides came into the match with plenty still to play for in 2020, with the home side desperately trying to avoid the club's first ever Wooden Spoon. The Dragons meanwhile were all out to impress interim coach Dean Young in his first game holding the clipboard.

It was a nightmare start for the home side, when winger Richie Kennar knocked on with his side's first touch after slipping over trying to collect a Corey Norman kick in the first set of the match. St George took advantage when former Bronco Ben Hunt laid on a deft pass from dummy half for Dragons prop Josh Kerr to crash over for the first try. Zac Lomax converted and it was 6-0 after a matter of minutes. The bad dream continued when the Broncos immediately gave away a penalty for a high tackle from prop Rhys Kennedy to give the Dragons a piggy back downfield. The Dragons then made them pay, when Corey Norman strolled over for a soft try and following Lomax's conversion it was 12-0 after just seven minutes.

The Broncos however responded with two quick tries of their own through winger Kennar who scored in the corner following a classic Broncos sweeping play, with Anthony Milford and Darius Boyd combining to put Kennar over in the corner. This was followed minutes later with a try to interchange hooker Corey Paix, who burrowed over from dummy half to score his first NRL try and all of the sudden the scores were locked at 12 all. The Dragons looked to have grabbed back the lead when Dragons half Clune kicked in goal on the last looking for forward Jacob Host. Host was ruled to have pushed Broncos centre Staggs in the back trying to get to the ball and the try was disallowed. However Broncos interchange forward Jamil Hopoate was then penalised for hitting Clune late after he kicked the ball. Lomax kicked the penalty goal on offer and St George nudged themselves in front 14-12. St George then hit the lead before halftime when fullback Dufty produced a superb over the top cut out pass to find rampaging winger Ravalawa, who steamrolled over the top of his opposite number in Herbie Farnworth to score a strong try to give his side an 18-12 lead at the break.

After the break prospective NSW centre Staggs brought the crowd to their feet, when the up and coming superstar finally got some early ball out wide to score one of the tries of the season for the Broncos. Staggs then converted to again tie up the scores for the second time in the match. The Dragons then hit the lead through another penalty goal to Zac Lomax, after Dufty was taken off the ball by Broncos captain Pat Carrigan when he kicked for himself in goal. St George then struck again when off the back of the penalty goal they marched downfield and off a superb backline play, Dufty and Lomax combined to put Ravalawa over for his 12th try of the season. Lomax then converted and the Red V were ahead 26-12 heading into the final quarter of the match.

Brisbane needed a spark and it came from their rookie half Tom Deardon, who was seemingly caught on the short side on the last tackle. Deardon then turned on a dime and brushed away from two Dragons defenders to score a crucial try with less than 10 minutes remaining. Staggs converted to narrow the Dragon's lead to just four points. In the final minutes, the Dragons halves came to the fore for the visitors, with both Clune and Corey Norman producing some superb repeat sets to close out the match. The match was sealed when Broncos prop Joe Ofahengaue was penalised for a strip right in front of his own posts. Lomax added his third penalty goal of the night to seal a 28-24 win away from home.

The win now takes the Dragons to the edge of the Top 8 but they will need to get on a run if they are to threaten in the last 6 weeks of the premiership season. St George now face the Titans next week at Kogarah on Friday night as they aim for three wins in a row.

LeagueUnlimited.com Player of the Year points:

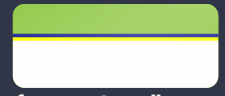
3 points - Ben Hunt; 2 points - Corey Norman; 1 points - Patrick Carrigan

Raiders cruise to win over patchy Titans

Andrew Ferguson



16-36



The Canberra Raiders put in a tidy and controlled performance to easily account for a disappointing Titans outfit 36-16 today at Cbus Super Stadium.

Both sides were finding each other out in the opening ten minutes, with neither really getting the upper hand. It was the Titans though who surprised their visitors by putting on the first points of the game. In the 13th minute, Tanah Boyd on the left side, grubbered to the corner. The ball bounced horribly for Nick Cotric. Phillip Sami followed through, took the ball cleanly and scored. Jamal Fogarty failed to convert from the left sideline.

Canberra took just six minutes to hit back courtesy of a lovely short side play. Siliva Havili linked with Charnze Nicoll-Klokstad, who dummied and then sent a cut-out ball to Cotric who dived over in the corner. Jarrod Croker failed to convert from out wide. The Raiders scored again in the 24th minute thanks to some lovely hands and a perfectly executed run-around play. Wighton linked with Elliott Whitehead, who took the ball to the line on the left side, showed it to Croker who ran a decoy, before dishing it out the back to Wighton who wrapped around, passed to Jordan Rapana in space. The winger drew the defender and then passed back inside to Wighton who was backing up and he raced over to score. Croker added the extras.

Just three minutes later and Wighton was in again, after he took on the disjointed Titans defensive line, hit a gap and dived over to score a strong solo try. Croker nailed the conversion. Canberra notched another try four minutes shy of halftime. Tom Starling got the ball at dummy half, 5 metres from the Titans line, went left, dummied and a huge gap opened up. He went through it and reached out to score the try. Croker made no mistake once again.

The second half started almost the same as the first. After 13 minutes of pretty evenly matched footy, the Titans scored first, but not before a magical piece of defence by Josh Papalii who managed to successfully bring a runaway Fogarty down with an ankletap. Three minutes later, Fogarty got a great ball as he fell forward in a tackle, found AJ Brimson running onto the ball at pace, who then split the two defenders and got the ball down for a good try. Fogarty converted.

The Raiders once again hit back just a few minutes later. Starling at dummy half, fired a crash ball to Hudson Young, who barged over for a strong try. Croker again converted. Three minutes past before the Raiders were across the stripe again when Cotric received a gift intercept, 15 metres from the Titans line, and raced over to score to the right of the posts. Croker again converted.

The Titans very slim chance to win the game was kept alive in the 73rd minute courtesy of a try to Keegan Hipgrave under the posts after a break by the Titans on the play prior. Fogarty converted. The game was put beyond doubt with a 76th minute penalty goal to Jarrod Croker.

LeagueUnlimited.com Player of the Year points:

3 points - Jack Wighton

2 points - Ryan Sutton

1 points - Tom Starling

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Morris madness helps Roosters dim Tigers finals chances

Justin Davies



16-38



Four tries from the Morris brothers in a first half blitz helped the Sydney Roosters to a 38-16 result against the Wests Tigers tonight at Leichhardt Oval.

Wests Tigers finals hopes were dashed in a 20-point blitz between the seventh and 25th minute.

The Roosters ran in four tries - three of those went to Morris' - the other was to winger Matt Ikuvalu as the Leichhardt faithful were staring down the barrel of another lost season.

After their 18-point loss to the Storm, the Roosters flexed on the Tigers in the first half to move back into the top four.

Former Tiger James Tedesco was back to his skillful best and Kyle Flanagan was a sharpshooter in his return kicking five goals.

There was a brief fightback straight after the half-time break.

Jacob Liddle, in his second game back, crashed over quickly followed by Adam Doueihi line-run to make it 20-12. That brought the small but vocal crowd back into the contest, believing that ninth might not be their destiny in 2020.

Roosters withstood the onslaught, defended their line well and hit back after Doueihi's kick rolled dead. The seven tackle set allowed them to roll upfield, produce an offload from Siosiaua Taukeiaho to put the contest to bed.

Joseph Manu and Josh Morris added further scores to blow out the scoreline to 38-12.

Tigers found a late consolation from David Nofoaluma to take his tally to 13 tries for the season.

2020 will be another lost season for the Tigers, the joint-venture still searching for their first finals appearance in five years.

LeagueUnlimited.com Player of the Year points:

3 points - Brett Morris

2 points - James Tedesco

1 points - Sitili Tupouniua

Rabbitohs run riot as Manly concede half century

Josh Robertson



56-16



The South Sydney Rabbitohs have put on a red and green rampage at ANZ Stadium as they took a very impressive 56-16 victory over the Manly Sea Eagles at ANZ Stadium.

Perfection, is the only word that could describe the first half from the Rabbitohs as they managed to run in six tries in the opening 40 minutes.

Steven Marsters couldn't have asked for a better start to his NRL debut after he was able to cross in the corner after Cody Walker drew defenders in before he was able to find Latrell Mitchell who in-turn found Marsters who was able to cross.

Although Souths found space down their right, it was their left-hand side that had the most fun against the Manly defence. Souths first foray down the left came just two minutes after the first try when off the back of a Tom Burgess burst through the middle, Alex Johnston was able to get over.

Things went from bad to worse for Manly as South Sydney managed to make easy metres through the middle before Alex Johnston was able to get over for a second. However, in the process Johnston was collected high by Tevita Funa

who was subsequently sent to the sin bin by referee Gerard Sutton. The try was compounded for Manly with the fact that it became an 8-point try and Manly fell 20-0 down after just 17 minutes.

The South Sydney try-scoring rampage continued when Campbell Graham scored a double down the left hand-side with a 19th minute effort and a 35th minute effort. The Rabbitohs were also denied a try by the officials who ruled that Adam Reynolds was caught short of the line.

Souths completed their first half rout when Latrell Mitchell swooped on a Tevita Funa pass on his own line to give Mitchell one of the easiest tries of his career. Adam Reynolds conversion pushed the Souths lead out to 38-0 at the break.

The second half turned out to be a much better start for the Sea Eagles as they were able to get the first two tries of the halves as Jack Gosiewski got over off a good run through Curtis Sironen. The Sea Eagles second try came just after the hour mark when Daly Cherry-Evans was able to kick over the head of Campbell Graham for Reuben Garrick who scored and converted his own try to close the gap to 28 points.

The floodgates reopened for South Sydney as the Bunnies were able to put three tries together in quick succession as Tevita Tatola, Cameron Murray and Latrell Mitchell were able to get over the line during a five-minute period. Manly finished the game with a bright spot as Reuben Garrick got over in the final minute to score and after his own conversion, Manly eventually fell to a 56-16 defeat.

Next weekend, the South Sydney Rabbitohs have a Thursday night blockbuster up against the Parramatta Eels whilst things get tougher for Manly as they take on the Melbourne Storm next Sunday.

LeagueUnlimited.com Player of the Year points:

3 points - Adam Reynolds

2 points - Cody Walker

1 points - Tevita Tatola

Warriors recover from slow start to down messy Dogs

Andrew Ferguson



14-20



The Warriors - besieged by injuries at their last training session which forced a number of changes - have recovered from a slow start to down the Bulldogs 20-14, keeping their slim finals hopes alive at ANZ Stadium this afternoon.

The visitors were very nearly were the first team to score after debutant Paul Turner kicked on the second tackle. Reimis Smith regathered on his own tryline and then threw a long pass to William Hopoate who wasn't expecting it. The ball went to ground and the Warriors chasing through came agonisingly close to getting an early four-pointer.

The scoring ultimately started in the 16th minute after Canterbury sent the ball to the left where Nick Meaney got into space down the sideline. He sent the ball back inside to Tim Lafai, who charged towards the left corner before sending a stunning flick out the back to Meaney, which allowed the winger to barge over the line for a great try. Meaney was unable to convert from the sideline.

The Dogs wasted no time to add to their score, crossing in the very next set after the restart when Jeremy Marshall-King strolled effortlessly through the Warriors middle from dummy half, drew Roger Tuivasa-Sheck and then put Kieran Foran away for a good try under the posts. Meaney converted.

The Warriors finally got on the board in the 29th minute after Kodi Nikorima kicked from the left side to the right and found four teammates challenging for the kick. It was Jack Murchie who caught it cleanly and he scored beside the posts. Nikorima converted.

At halftime, the Bulldogs lead 10-6.

The home side extended their lead shortly after play resumed when Jack Cogger held up a beautiful short ball and Hopoate ran onto it, hit a gap at pace and scored on the right side. Meaney failed to add the extras.

The Warriors then bagged back-to-back tries to take the lead. In the 48th minute after they slowly ambled down the right side saw the ball get to Murchie, who got a brilliant offload away to Peta Hiku, who quickly sent the ball out to Adam Pompey and the winger had a clear run down the sideline and he scored. Nikorima failed to convert.

Just two minutes later Nikorima skipped out of a tackle and then switched the ball back inside to Murchie who strolled over to score near the posts. Nikorima's conversion looked shaky but it went between the sticks to give the Warriors a 16-14 lead. Turner almost went close to scoring in the 56th and 60th minutes, however he lost the ball on the first attempt and took advantage of an obstruction on the second.

But the Warriors wouldn't be denied in the 63rd minute. Nikorima softly walks into the tackler, whose tackle resembled a cuddle. Nikorima, standing in the tackle, passed to Tuivasa-Sheck, who flew up on the right side, took the pass and swerved around the defence to score a good try. Nikorima was again unable to convert.

Nikorima attempted to put the visitors 7 points clear in the 77th minute, but his field goal attempt, despite being from almost in front on the posts, was pushed wide. They did enough though to hold onto their 6 point lead to win 20-14.

LeagueUnlimited.com Player of the Year points:

3 points - Jack Murchie; 2 points - Kodi Nikorima; 1 points - Roger Tuivasa-Sheck

Knights hold Cowboys scoreless in scrappy win

Robert Crosby



12-0



The Newcastle Knights have all but secured a place in the finals after downing the North Queensland Cowboys 12-0 in front of 5,304 supporters at McDonald Jones Stadium.

Holding a side to nil for the second time this season, the win came at a cost for the home side with off-contract half Blake Green suffering a suspected ACL injury in a further blow to the side's playmaking stocks.

Dominating the opening exchanges with David Klemmer and Jacob Saifiti laying an effective platform, the Knights struggled to post points despite a 40/20 from Mitchell Pearce.

Getting on the board after some nice passing from Pearce and Kalyn Ponga, winger Hymel Hunt (14th minute) touched down for his sixth try of the season.

Losing Green (ACL) and winger Starford To'a (concussion) shortly before the break, a penalty goal from Ponga saw the home side extend their lead to 6-0.

With the Cowboys unable to capitalise on limited attacking opportunities, Kyle Feldt missed an opportunity to get the visitors on the board after Pearce was sent to the sin bin on halftime after being offside from a quick tap.

Forced to play the second half with 15 men, the Knights were unable to take advantage of Mitchell Dunn being sent to the sin bin after Ponga made a length-of-the-field break.

Denied further tries to Herman Ese'ese (obstruction), Lachlan Fitzgibbon (lost ball), Aidan Guerra (tackled short of the line) and Mitchell Barnett (lost ball), a 63rd minute penalty goal to Ponga put the Knights up 8-0.

Icing the result courtesy of a beautiful pass from Ponga to send Enari Tuala (78th minute) over against his former club, the Knights did enough to secure the 12-0 result.

Sitting seven points clear of the four teams on the precipice of the top eight, the Knights look set to feature in the finals for the first time since 2013.

Held scoreless for the first time since Round 1, 2012, the Cowboys were dealt a further blow with Jason Taumalolo suffering a calf injury in the side's eighth consecutive loss.

Next week, the Knights travel to Tamworth to take on the Warriors on Saturday afternoon, while the Cowboys face the Sharks at Kogarah on Saturday evening.

LeagueUnlimited.com Player of the Year points:

3 points - Mitchell Barnett

2 points - David Klemmer

1 points - Kalyn Ponga

The scoresheet

Scores, scorers, match details from Round 15

Eels 14 (Waqā Blake, Maika Sivo tries; Mitchell Moses 3/4 goals) def **Storm 0**; Venue: Bankwest Stadium; Date: Thursday 20 August 2020, 7:50pm AEST; Halftime: Eels 12-0; Referee: Ben Cummins; Touch Judges: Todd Smith, Chris Sutton; NRL Bunker: Steve Chiddy, Beau Scott

Panthers 38 (Viliame Kikau, Josh Mansour (2), Brent Naden, Stephen Crichton, Liam Martin, Jarome Luai tries; Nathan Cleary 5/7 goals) def **Sharks 12** (Jesse Ramien, Connor Tracey tries; Matt Moylan 2/2 goals); Venue: Panthers Stadium; Date: Friday 21 August 2020, 6:00pm AEST; Halftime: Panthers 22-6; Referee: Ashley Klein; Touch Judges: Belinda Sharpe, Gavin Badger; NRL Bunker: Jared Maxwell, Ben Galea

Dragons 28 (Josh Kerr, Corey Norman, Mikaele Ravalawa (2) tries; Zac Lomax 6/7 goals) def **Broncos 24** (Richard Kennar, Kotoni Staggs, Cory Paix, Tom Dearden tries; Kotoni Staggs 4/4 goals); Venue: Suncorp Stadium; Date: Friday 21 August 2020, 7:55pm AEST; Halftime: Dragons 18-12; Referee: Henry Perenara; Touch Judges: Matt Noyen, Jon Stone; NRL Bunker: Steve Chiddy, Bryan Norrie

Raiders 36 (Nick Cotric (2), Jack Wighton (2), Tom Starling, Hudson Young tries; Jarrod Croker 6/7 goals) def **Titans 16** (Phillip Sami, Alexander Brimson, Keegan Hipgrave tries; Jamal Fogarty 2/3 goals); Venue: Cbus Super Stadium; Date: Saturday 22 August 2020, 3:00pm AEST; Halftime: Raiders 22-4; Referee: Chris Butler; Touch Judges: Liam Kennedy, Drew Oultram; NRL Bunker: Steve Chiddy, Ben Galea

Roosters 38 (Matt Ikuvalu, Brett Morris (2), Josh Morris (2), Drew Hutchison, Joseph Manu tries; Kyle Flanagan 5/7 goals) def **Tigers 16** (Jacob Liddle, Adam Doueihi, David Nofaluma tries; Moses Mbye 2/3 goals); Venue: Leichhardt Oval; Date: Saturday 22 August 2020, 5:30pm AEST; Halftime: Roosters 20-0; Referee: Grant Atkins; Touch Judges: Todd Smith, Chris Sutton; NRL Bunker: Ashley Klein, Ben Lowe

Rabbitohs 56 (Steven Marsters, Alex Johnston (2), Campbell Graham (2), Latrell Mitchell (2), Tevita Tatola, Cameron Murray tries; Adam Reynolds 9/9, Latrell Mitchell 1/1 goals) def **Sea Eagles 16** (Jack Gosiewski, Reuben Garrick (2) tries; Reuben Garrick 2/3 goals); Venue: ANZ Stadium; Date: Saturday 22 August 2020, 7:35pm AEST; Halftime: Rabbitohs 38-0; Referee: Gerard Sutton; Touch Judges: Dave Munro, Ziggy Przeklasa-Adamski; NRL Bunker: Henry Perenara, Bryan Norrie

Warriors 20 (Jack Murchie (2), Adam Pompey, Roger Tuivasa-Sheck tries; Kodi Nikorima 2/4 goals) def **Bulldogs 14** (Nick Meaney, Kieran Foran, Will Hopoate tries; Nick Meaney 1/3 goals); Venue: ANZ Stadium; Date: Sunday 23 August 2020, 2:00pm AEST; Halftime: Bulldogs 10-6; Referee: Peter Gough; Touch Judges: Gavin Badger, Henry Perenara; NRL Bunker: Ashley Klein, Ben Lowe

Knights 12 (Hymel Hunt, Enari Tuala tries; Kalyn Ponga 2/5 goals) def **Cowboys 0**; Venue: McDonald Jones Stadium; Date: Sunday 23 August 2020, 4:05pm AEST; Halftime: Knights 6-0; Referee: Adam Gee; Touch Judges: Belinda Sharpe, Dave Munro; NRL Bunker: Jared Maxwell, Bryan Norrie

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NRL Match Review

Round 15 Charge Sheet

Nelson ASOFA-SOLOMONA (Storm) Grade 1 Careless High Tackle
53rd minute on Marata Niukore
Base penalty \$750 fine
1 x non similar prior offences last 2 years (20% loading)
Guilty / no contest = \$900 fine **OR** Guilty - early plea = \$700 fine
PLEA: Guilty - early plea. **\$700 fine.**

Marata NIUKORE (Eels) Grade 1 Crusher Tackle
30th minute on Tom Eisenhuth
Base penalty 200pts
Guilty / no contest = 200pts (2 matches) **OR** Guilty - early plea = 150pts (1 match)
PLEA: Guilty - early plea. **1 match**, 50 carryover points accrued.

Kotoni STAGGS (Broncos) Grade 1 Careless High Tackle
63rd minute on Euan Aitken
Base penalty \$750 fine
1 x similar prior offence last 2 years (50% loading)
Guilty / no contest = \$1150 fine **OR** Guilty - early plea = \$850 fine
PLEA: Guilty - early plea. **\$850 fine.**

Paul VAUGHAN (Dragons) Grade 1 Crusher Tackle
22nd minute on Richard Kennar
1 x similar prior offence last 2 years (50% loading)
Guilty / no contest = 300pts (3 matches) **OR** Guilty - early plea = 225pts (2 matches)
PLEA: Guilty - early plea. **2 matches**, 25 carryover points accrued.

Issac LUKE (Broncos) Grade 1 Dangerous Contact (other)
2nd minute on Josh Kerr
Base penalty 100pts
1 x non-similar prior offences last 2 years (20% loading)
Guilty / no contest = 140pts (1 match) **OR** Guilty - early plea = 105pts (1 match)
PLEA: Guilty - early plea. **1 match**, 5 carryover points accrued.

Viliame KIKAU (Panthers) Grade 2 Dangerous Contact (other)
77th minute on Braydon Trindall
Base penalty 200pts
Guilty / no contest = 200pts (2 matches) **OR** Guilty - early plea = 150pts (1 match)
PLEA: Guilty - early plea. **1 match**, 50 carryover points accrued.

Moeaki FOTUAIKA (Titans) Grade 1 Crusher Tackle
58th minute on Jarrod Croker
Base penalty 200pts
Guilty / no contest = 200pts (2 matches) **OR** Guilty - early plea = 150pts (1 match)
PLEA: Guilty - early plea. **1 match**, 50 carryover points accrued.

Tevita FUNA (Sea Eagles) Grade 1 Careless High Tackle
15th minute on Alex Johnston
Base penalty \$750 fine
Guilty / no contest = \$750 fine **OR** Guilty - early plea = \$550 fine
PLEA: Guilty - early plea. **\$550 fine.**

Josh PAPALI'I (Raiders) Grade 1 Careless High Tackle
56th minute on Jaimin Joliffe
Base penalty \$750 fine
Guilty / no contest = \$750 fine **OR** Guilty - early plea = \$550 fine
PLEA: Guilty - early plea. **\$550 fine.**

Josh McGUIRE (Cowboys) Grade 1 Careless High Tackle
75th minute on Kalyn Ponga
Base penalty \$750 fine
3 x non-similar prior offences last 2 years
Guilty / no contest = \$1200 fine **OR** Guilty - early plea = \$900 fine
PLEA: Guilty - early plea. **\$900 fine.**

LeagueUnlimited Player of the Year

Standings after Round 15

At the conclusion of each match our reporters choose their best three players from the match. On this page, we'll publish the full standings throughout the season.

25 points - Nathan Cleary (Panthers)

19 points - Shaun Johnson (Sharks), Adam Reynolds (Rabbitohs), Cameron Smith (Storm)

15 points - Jack Wighton (Raiders), Kalyn Ponga (Knights), Cameron Munster (Storm)

14 points - Brett Morris (Roosters)

13 points - Benji Marshall (Wests Tigers)

12 points - James Tedesco (Roosters), Luke Keary (Roosters), Clinton Gutherson (Eels)

11 points - Jahrome Hughes (Storm), Tom Trbojevic (Sea Eagles), George Williams (Raiders), Matthew Dufty (Dragons)

10 points - Kodi Nikorima (Warriors), Jason Taumalolo (Cowboys)

9 points - Mitchell Pearce (Knights), David Klemmer (Knights)

8 points - Blake Green (Warriors), Dylan Brown (Eels), Mitchell Moses (Eels), Cody Walker (Rabbitohs)

7 points - Wade Graham (Sharks), Daly Cherry-Evans (Sea Eagles), Sione Katoa (Bulldogs), Harry Grant (Storm), Ashley Taylor (Titans), Stephen Crichton (Panthers), Isaah Yeo (Panthers), Josh Papali'i (Raiders), Jarome Luai (Panthers), Kurt Mann (Knights)

6 points - Latrell Mitchell (Rabbitohs), Ben Hunt (Dragons), Blayke Brailey (Sharks), Reed Mahoney (Eels), Eliesa Katoa (Warriors), Curtis Sironen (Sea Eagles), Matt Burton (Panthers)

5 points - Will Hopoate (Bulldogs), Apisai Koroisau (Panthers), Siosia Taukeiaho (Roosters), Damien Cook (Rabbitohs), Maika Sivo (Eels), Reagan Campbell-Gillard (Eels), Luke Brooks (Wests Tigers), Jarrod Croker (Raiders), Peta Hiku (Warriors), Michael Morgan (Cowboys), Nathan Brown (Eels), Daniel Saifiti (Knights), Liam Martin (Panthers), Zac Lomax (Dragons), Cade Cust (Sea Eagles), Corey Norman (Dragons)

4 points - Junior Paulo (Eels), Ryan Papenhuyzen (Storm), Dallin Watene-Zelezniak (Bulldogs), Tevita Pangai Junior (Broncos), James Fisher-Harris (Panthers), David Nofoaluma (Wests Tigers), Josh Addo-Carr (Storm), Shaun Lane (Eels), Jamal Fogarty (Titans), Cameron Murray (Rabbitohs), Anthony Milford (Broncos), Scott Drinkwater (Cowboys), Tino Fa'asuamaleau (Storm), Jake Trbojevic (Sea Eagles)

3 points - Josh Morris (Sharks), Nelson Asofa-Solomona (Storm), Kevin Proctor (Titans), John Bateman (Raiders), Adam Clune (Dragons), Jack Murchie (Raiders), Mitchell Barnett (Knights), Joseph Manu (Roosters), Toby Rudolf (Sharks), Joseph Leilua (Wests Tigers), Jake Clifford (Cowboys), Charlie Staines (Panthers), Nick Meaney (Bulldogs), Aiden Tolman (Bulldogs), Jared Waerea-Hargreaves (Roosters), Waqa Blake (Eels), Jesse Ramien (Sharks), Brian Kelly (Titans), Jamayne Isaako (Broncos), Kotoni Staggs (Broncos), Viliame Kikau (Panthers), Young Tonuamaipea (Titans), Bradman Best (Knights), Addin Fonua-Blake (Sea Eagles)

2 points - Christian Welch (Storm), Cameron McInnes (Dragons), Roger Tuivasa-Sheck (Warriors), Mikaele Ravalawa (Dragons), Moeaki Fotuauka (Titans), Michael Jennings (Eels), David Fifita (Broncos), Nick Cotric (Raiders), Martin Taupau (Sea Eagles), Thomas Burgess (Rabbitohs), Adam Doueihi (Wests Tigers), Alex Johnston (Rabbitohs), Charnze Nicoll-Klokstad (Raiders), Siosifa Talakai (Sharks), Sitili Tupouniua (Roosters), Matt Ikuvalu (Roosters), Dane Gagai (Rabbitohs), Corey Thompson (Wests Tigers), Jorge Taufua (Sea Eagles), Dale Finucane (Storm), Payne Haas (Broncos), Ryan Sutton (Raiders), Emre Guler (Raiders), Kyle Flanagan (Roosters), Kieran Foran (Bulldogs), Ronaldo Mulitalo (Sharks), Wayde Egan (Warriors), Lindsay Collins (Roosters), Tohu Harris (Warriors), Braden Hamlin-Uele (Sharks)

1 point - Tom Starling (Raiders), Tevita Tatola (Rabbitohs), Jake Averillo (Bulldogs), Liam Knight (Rabbitohs), Luke Garner (Wests Tigers), Phillip Sami (Titans), James Tamou (Panthers), Ethan Lowe (Rabbitohs), Taniela Paseka (Sea Eagles), Justin Olam (Storm), Jordan Pereira (Dragons), Patrick Carrigan (Broncos), Alexander Brimson (Titans), Tyson Frizell (Dragons), Elliott Whitehead (Raiders), Jaydn Su'A (Rabbitohs), Valentine Holmes (Cowboys), Connor Watson (Knights), Sam Lisone (Titans), Tom Opacic (Cowboys), Josh Reynolds (Wests Tigers), Adam Elliott (Bulldogs), Chad Townsend (Sharks), Herman Ese'ese (Knights), Andrew McCullough (Broncos), Tui Kamikamica (Storm), Tyrell Fuimaono (Dragons), Darius Boyd (Broncos), Coen Hess (Cowboys), Alex Twal (Wests Tigers), Thomas Fiegler (Broncos), Brendan Elliot (Sea Eagles), Daniel Tupou (Roosters), Billy Walters (Wests Tigers), Hamiso Tabuai-Fidow (Cowboys), Caleb Aekins (Panthers)

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Premiership ladder

NRL 2020 Telstra Premiership after Round 15

Pos	Team	P	W	L	D	F	A	+/-	Pts
1	Penrith Panthers	15	13	1	1	388	206	182	27
2	Melbourne Storm	15	12	3	0	374	182	192	24
3	Parramatta Eels	15	12	3	0	312	176	136	24
4	Sydney Roosters	15	10	5	0	392	214	178	20
5	Canberra Raiders	15	10	5	0	304	229	75	20
6	Newcastle Knights	15	9	5	1	317	232	85	19
7	South Sydney Rabbitohs	15	9	6	0	365	272	93	18
8	Cronulla-Sutherland Sharks	15	8	7	0	374	344	30	16
9	Wests Tigers	15	6	9	0	330	339	-9	12
10	St George Illawarra Dragons	15	6	9	0	290	314	-24	12
11	Manly-Warringah Sea Eagles	15	6	9	0	253	343	-90	12
12	Warriors	15	6	9	0	221	352	-131	12
13	Gold Coast Titans	15	4	11	0	218	403	-185	8
14	North Queensland Cowboys	15	3	12	0	269	386	-117	6
15	Brisbane Broncos	15	3	12	0	210	465	-255	6
16	Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs	15	2	13	0	202	362	-160	4

Stats leaders

after Round 15

Top Tryscorers

1	Alex JOHNSTON (Rabbitohs)	14
2	Sione KATOJA (Sharks)	13
	Stephen CRICHTON (Panthers)	13
	David NOFOALUMA (Wests Tigers)	13
5	Maika SIVO (Eels)	12
	Mikaele RAVALAWA (Dragons)	12
7	Matthew DUFTY (Dragons)	11
	Kyle FELDT (Cowboys)	11
	Brett MORRIS (Roosters)	11
10	Zac LOMAX (Dragons)	10
	Josh ADDO-CARR (Storm)	10
	Nick COTRIC (Raiders)	10

Top Goalkickers

1	Kyle FLANAGAN (Roosters)	60 / 75	80%
2	Adam REYNOLDS (Rabbitohs)	57 / 65	88%
3	Nathan CLEARY (Panthers)	54 / 66	82%
4	Cameron SMITH (Storm)	51 / 59	86%
	Shaun JOHNSON (Sharks)	51 / 66	77%
6	Jarrold CROKER (Raiders)	48 / 55	87%
7	Zac LOMAX (Dragons)	47 / 61	77%
8	Kalyn PONGA (Knights)	42 / 64	66%
9	Reuben GARRICK (Sea Eagles)	38 / 53	72%
10	Mitchell MOSES (Eels)	37 / 45	82%

Top Pointscorers

	T	G	FG	Pts	
1	Kyle FLANAGAN (Roosters)	4	60	-	136
2	Adam REYNOLDS (Rabbitohs)	5	57	1	135
3	Zac LOMAX (Dragons)	10	47	-	134
4	Nathan CLEARY (Panthers)	4	54	2	126
5	Shaun JOHNSON (Sharks)	2	51	-	110
6	Jarrold CROKER (Raiders)	3	48	-	108
	Kalyn PONGA (Knights)	6	42	-	108
8	Cameron SMITH (Storm)	1	51	-	106
9	Kyle FELDT (Cowboys)	11	23	-	90
10	Reuben GARRICK (Sea Eagles)	3	38	-	88

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GAME DAY

ROUND 16 MATCH PROGRAM

TEAM LISTS · MATCH DETAILS & STATS · PREVIEWS

Thursday



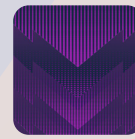
**Eels
v Rabbitohs**
Bankwest

Saturday



**Warriors
v Knights**
Tamworth

Sunday



**Storm
v Sea Eagles**
Sunshine Coast Stadium

Friday



**Dragons
v Titans**
Netstrata Jubilee



**Sharks
v Cowboys**
Netstrata Jubilee



**Raiders
v Bulldogs**
GIO Stadium Canberra



**Roosters
v Broncos**
SCG



**Panthers
v Wests Tigers**
Panthers Stadium

WEEKLY TIPS Round 16

Number in () brackets indicated last week's correct tips

Tim Costello (6)

Eels
Dragons
Roosters
Knights
Sharks
Panthers
Storm
Raiders

Andrew Ferguson (4)

Eels
Dragons
Roosters
Warriors
Sharks
Tigers
Storm
Raiders

Andrew Jackson (5)

Eels
Titans
Roosters
Warriors
Sharks
Panthers
Storm
Raiders

Justin Davies (8)

Eels
Dragons
Roosters
Knights
Sharks
Panthers
Storm
Raiders

Adam Huxtable (5)

Eels
Dragons
Roosters
Warriors
Sharks
Panthers
Storm
Raiders

Rick Edgerton (7)

Rabbitohs
Dragons
Roosters
Knights
Sharks
Panthers
Storm
Raiders

Rob Crosby (7)

Eels
Titans
Roosters
Knights
Sharks
Panthers
Storm
Raiders

Steven Williams (7)

Eels
Dragons
Roosters
Knights
Cowboys
Panthers
Storm
Raiders

Sam Bourke (7)

Eels
Dragons
Roosters
Knights
Sharks
Panthers
Storm
Raiders

Josh Robertson (7)

Eels
Titans
Roosters
Warriors
Sharks
Panthers
Storm
Raiders

Jeff Dickinson-Fox (7)

Eels
Dragons
Roosters
Knights
Sharks
Panthers
Storm
Raiders

Hamish Parker (4)

Rabbitohs
Dragons
Roosters
Knights
Sharks
Panthers
Storm
Raiders

Parramatta
EELS



South Sydney
RABBITOHS

P	T	G	Pts						P	T	G	Pts
15	5	12 ⁺	45	Clinton GUTHERSON	1	FULLBACK	1	Latrell MITCHELL	13	4	5	26
15	12	-	48	Maika SIVO	2	WING	2	Corey ALLAN	15	12	-	48
15	7	-	28	Michael JENNINGS	3	CENTRE	3	Campbell GRAHAM	14	6	-	24
15	5	-	20	Waga BLAKE	4	CENTRE	4	Dane GAGAI	14	9	-	36
14	-	-	-	Blake FERGUSON	5	WING	5	Jaxson PAULO	6	-	-	-
15	4	-	16	Dylan BROWN	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Cody WALKER	13	5	-	20
12	3	37 ⁺	87	Mitchell MOSES	7	HALFBACK	7	Adam REYNOLDS	15	5	57 ⁺	135
15	1	-	4	Reagan CAMPBELL-GILLARD	8	FRONT ROW	8	Tevita TATOLA	15	1	-	4
15	2	-	8	Reed MAHONEY	9	HOOKER	9	Damien COOK	15	3	-	12
15	-	-	-	Junior PAULO	10	FRONT ROW	10	Thomas BURGESS	15	2	-	8
15	2	-	8	Shaun LANE	11	SECOND ROW	11	Jaydn SU'A	14	1	-	4
12	3	-	12	Ryan MATTERSON	12	SECOND ROW	12	Bayley SIRONEN	11	1	-	4
11	-	-	-	Nathan BROWN	13	LOCK	13	Cameron MURRAY	15	2	-	8
8	1	-	4	Ray STONE	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Mark NICHOLLS	11	2	-	8
4	-	-	-	Andrew DAVEY	15		15	Liam KNIGHT	11	-	-	-
9	4	-	16	Kane EVANS	16		16	Patrick MAGO	9	-	-	-
8	-	-	-	Oregon KAUFUSI	17		17	Keaon KOLOMATANGI	6	-	-	-
3	-	-	-	Stefano UTOIKAMANU	18	RESERVES	18	Jed CARTWRIGHT	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	Haze DUNSTER	19		19	Steven MARSTERS	1	1	-	4
-	-	-	-	Will SMITH	20		20	Troy DARGAN	2	-	-	-
10	-	-	-	Brad TAKAIRANGI	21		21	Kurt DILLON	1	-	-	-

BRAD ARTHUR

COACH

WAYNE BENNETT

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

PENALTIES

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SCRUMS

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RLP MILESTONES 53 more points need to be scored to reach 400,000 points scored in NSW since the competition began in 1908

#NRL Eels Souths

MATCH DETAILS

DATE	Thursday 27 August 2020
KICKOFF	7:50pm AEST
VENUE	Bankwest Stadium Parramatta, NSW
WATCH	Nine Network & 9Now Fox League & Kayo Sports
LISTEN	ABC Grandstand Triple M SYD, BNE NRL Nation
LIVE BLOG	LeagueUnlimited.com

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE	Gerard SUTTON
TOUCH JUDGES	Dave MUNRO Ziggy PRZEKLASA-ADAMSKI
NRL BUNKER	Jared MAXWELL Bryan NORRIE

Match Stats

Courtesy of Rugby League Project

HEAD TO HEAD: 127 matches

Eels 55 Rabbitohs 69 Drawn 3

At Bankwest Stadium: 1 match, Eels 1, Rabbitohs 0

LAST TEN CLASHES

			PAR 5 - 5 SOU
2014	R19	Rabbitohs 32-12	Pirtek
2015	R4	Eels 29-16	Pirtek
2015	R11	Rabbitohs 14-12	ANZ
2016	R10	Rabbitohs 22-20	Pirtek
2016	R15	Eels 30-12	ANZ
2017	R12	Eels 22-16	ANZ
2017	R26	Eels 22-16	ANZ
2018	R15	Rabbitohs 42-24	ANZ
2018	R20	Rabbitohs 26-20	ANZ
2019	R12	Eels 26-14	Bankwest

BIGGEST WINS

2002	R22	Eels 54-0	Pirtek
2011	R22	Rabbitohs 56-6	ANZ

FORM: LAST FIVE

EELS	W W W L W	3rd, 24pts
RABBITOHS	L W W W W	7th, 18pts

NEXT UP - ROUND 17

EELS (A)	v Warriors, Central Coast	Sun 4:05pm
RABBITOHS (H)	v Storm, ANZ	Fri 7:55pm

Match Preview

with Robert Crosby

Sydney foes face off in finals pre-cursor

The Parramatta Eels and the South Sydney Rabbitohs will be looking to build momentum heading towards the finals when they clash at Bankwest Stadium on Thursday evening.

Sitting in third position on 24 premiership points after taking advantage of an injury-depleted Storm side 14-0 last Thursday, the Parramatta Eels will be hoping to all but guarantee a top four finish with victory.

Scoring four wins from their past six clashes against the Rabbitohs, coach Brad Arthur will be hoping for another strong defensive display after his side held an opposition to nil for the fourth time in his career last week.

Losing underrated forward Marata Niukore to a one-match ban for a crusher tackle, rookie Andrew Davey comes onto the bench in the only change from the team that took the field seven days earlier.

Finding form at the right end of the season with four straight wins, the South Sydney Rabbitohs will be looking to assert their credentials by claiming the scalp of a premiership contender on Thursday evening.

Posting their highest score in nine years with a 56-16 annihilation of Manly last Saturday, coach Wayne Bennett will be hoping his side can continue a strong record at Bankwest Stadium following four wins from six visits in 2020.

Boosted by the inclusion of front-rower Liam Knight after serving a one-match ban, Dane Gagai and Corey Allan come into the backline in place of Steven Marsters and Alex Johnston.

Who to watch: Facing off against one of his former teams on Thursday evening, Parramatta lock Nathan Brown will be determined to make his presence felt on the field.

Playing 28 matches with the Rabbitohs before heading west three years ago, the 27-year-old firebrand forward has averaged 162 metres each week, along with contributing 21 offloads as part of the side's potent second-phase game. Set to come off-contract at the end of 2021, Brown will be looking to finish the year on a high as the Eels strive to end the league's longest premiership drought.

Producing enormous numbers off the bench in recent weeks, rookie forward Keaon Koloamatangi has emerged as a diamond in the rough for South Sydney in 2020.

Coming through the ranks as a Mascot Jets' junior before making his first grade debut back in June, the 22-year-old has averaged 156 metres and 21 tackles in his past three performances to coincide with the club's surge towards the play-offs. Contracted to the club until the end of next season, Koloamatangi will need to have a similar impact on Thursday night if the Rabbitohs hope to get the better of the Eels.

Favourite: With South Sydney yet to defeat a legitimate top eight team this season, Parramatta are expected to get the job done on Thursday night.

My tip: While Souths have thrived in high-scoring matches that play to their attacking strengths, the defensive grit shown by Parramatta last week should get the home side over the line. **Eels by 7.**

St George Illawarra
DRAGONS



Gold Coast
TITANS

P	T	G	Pts					P	T	G	Pts	
13	11	-	44	Matthew DUFTY	1	FULLBACK	1	AJ BRIMSON	3	3	-	12
11	1	-	4	Jordan PEREIRA	2	WING	2	Corey THOMPSON	10*	9	-	36
11	3	-	12	Euan AITKEN	3	CENTRE	3	Brian KELLY	13	5	-	20
15	10	47	134	Zac LOMAX	4	CENTRE	4	Young TONUMAIPEA	5	-	-	-
14	12	-	48	Mikaele RAVALAWA	5	WING	5	Phillip SAMI	13	6	-	24
14	4	-	16	Corey NORMAN	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Ashley TAYLOR	14	1	24	52
11	-	-	-	Adam CLUNE	7	HALFBACK	7	Jamal FOGARTY	13	1	7	18
15	-	-	-	Blake LAWRIE	8	FRONT ROW	8	Jarrod WALLACE	12	1	-	4
15	1	-	4	Ben HUNT	9	HOKKER	9	Mitch REIN	4	-	-	-
15	1	-	4	Josh KERR	10	FRONT ROW	10	Jaimin JOLLIFFE	13	-	-	-
15	1	-	4	Tyson FRIZELL	11	SECOND ROW	11	Sam STONE	4	1	-	4
14	1	-	4	Tyrell FUIMAONO	12	SECOND ROW	12	Beau FERMOR	5	1	-	4
13	1	-	4	Cameron MCINNES	13	LOCK	13	Tyrone PEACHEY	15	-	-	-
3	-	-	-	Kaide ELLIS	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Erin CLARK	7	-	-	-
11	-	-	-	Trent MERRIN	15		15	Sam LISONE	13	1	-	4
7	-	-	-	Jackson FORD	16		16	Keegan HIPGRAVE	12	3	-	12
2	-	-	-	Billy BRITAIN	17		17	Jai WHITBREAD	5	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	Eddie BLACKER	18	RESERVES	18	Tanah BOYD	11	1	-	4
2	-	-	-	Tristan SAILOR	19		19	Anthony DON	12	9	-	36
-	-	-	-	Jayden SULLIVAN	20		20	Treymain SPRY	2	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	Max FEAGAI	21		21	Darius FARMER	-	-	-	-

* 2 games for Wests Tigers

PAUL MCGREGOR

COACH

JUSTIN HOLBROOK

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RLP MILESTONES Ashley TAYLOR (Titans) - 5 more points for 300 club and career points

#NRLDragonsTitans

MATCH DETAILS

DATE	Friday 28 August 2020
KICKOFF	6:00pm AEST
VENUE	Netstrata Jubilee Stadium Carlton, NSW
WATCH	Fox League & Kayo Sports
LISTEN	ABC Grandstand Triple M SYD, BNE NRL Nation
LIVE BLOG	LeagueUnlimited.com

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE	Henry PERENARA
TOUCH JUDGES	Jon STONE Liam KENNEDY
NRL BUNKER	Ashley KLEIN Beau SCOTT

Match Stats

Courtesy of Rugby League Project

HEAD TO HEAD: 23 matches

Dragons 16 Titans 7

At Netstrata Jubilee Stadium: 6 matches, Dragons 3, Titans 3

LAST TEN CLASHES

Year	Round	Dragons	Titans	Venue
2014	R24	Dragons 34-6	Jubilee	
2015	R25	Titans 28-26	Cbus Super	
2016	R7	Dragons 19-14	Cbus Super	
2016	R19	Titans 32-12	Jubilee	
2017	R17	Titans 20-10	Cbus Super	
2017	R23	Dragons 42-16	Jubilee	
2018	R3	Dragons 54-8	Toowoomba	
2019	R21	Dragons 40-28	Jubilee	
2019	R25	Dragons 24-16	Cbus Super	
2020	R6	Dragons 20-8	Suncorp	

BIGGEST WINS

2016	R19	Titans 32-12	Jubilee
2018	R3	Dragons 54-8	Toowoomba

FORM: LAST FIVE

DRAGONS	L L L L W W	10th, 12pts
TITANS	L L W L L	13th, 8pts

NEXT UP - ROUND 17

DRAGONS (A)	v Cowboys, QCBS	Sun 6:30pm
TITANS (A)	v Bulldogs, ANZ	Sat 3:00pm

Match Preview

with Josh Robertson

A remote top 8 chance could be on the line for the St George Illawarra Dragons as the Gold Coast Titans look to prevent a third straight loss on Friday night at Netstrata Jubilee Stadium.

The St George Illawarra Dragons are looking for three straight victories following their victories over Parramatta and Brisbane over the past fortnight. Last weekend, the Dragons were pushed by the Brisbane Broncos in their 28-24 victory which saw the margin helped by three extra penalty goals to the Dragons.

Surprising many a fortnight ago, the victory over Parramatta highlighted the frustrations that the Dragons have put on their fans and pundits who have seen both many highlights and lowlights.

Coming into this weekend, the Dragons sit in 10th spot and with victory could move into ninth spot but with defeat they could slip back to 12th if results go against them.

The Red 'V' have been forced into two changes with Korbin Sims succumbing to a calf injury whilst Paul Vaughan sits out this weekend after being suspended. Jackson Ford & Billy Brittain have been added to the bench to replace the missing pair.

The Gold Coast Titans have shown signs of encouraging improvement but still they come into Round 16 sitting in 13th place with just four victories this season. Last weekend, the Titans weren't able to match the Canberra Raiders as they fell to a 36-16 defeat despite a good start.

Despite having just four wins for the seasons, the Gold Coast Titans have been able to be competitive with some of the top sides, pushing both the Panthers and Roosters despite their defeats.

The Titans could fall to 14th place if they lose and results go against them, whilst a win would keep the Titans in 13th spot.

Justin Holbrook has been forced to make changes to his Titans side with Ash Taylor returning from injury pushing Tanah Boyd to the reserves. Moeiaki Fotuika's suspension has seen Tyrone Peachey starting at lock with Erin Clark coming onto the bench. Nathan Peats calf injury has seen Mitch Rein named at hooker.

Who to watch: Dragons five-eighth Corey Norman has come under plenty of focus for his performances this season which have been a big part of the Dragons struggles. Norman has not been able to take a command of the side this season and has only missed the one game this season. If the 'Red V' are wanting to win this game, Norman has to stand up.

Titans halfback Jamal Fogarty has been making a big impression since coming into the side in Round 1. Fogarty's impact has been on show this season and so much so in that he has been named captain for the Titans this weekend. Fogarty has been a controlling force for his side and with each game his confidence is boosted and will benefit the Titans.

Favourite: The Dragons come into the game as favourites after coming off two straight victories against the Eels and Broncos as well as being back at home this weekend compared to the Titans who are coming off two straight defeats.

My tip: The Titans struggled against the Raiders last weekend but will be boosted by the return of Ash Taylor and the Dragons did struggle to get past the Broncos. Everything points to a victory for the Dragons but there is just something that makes me feel that the Gold Coast Titans will be up for victory. **Titans by 6.**

Sydney ROOSTERS



Brisbane BRONCOS

P	T	G	Pts							P	T	G	Pts
13	4	-	16	James TEDESCO	1	FULLBACK	1	Darius BOYD		15	1	-	4
8	4	-	16	Daniel TUPOU	2	WING	2	Richie KENNAR		5	3	-	12
12*	5	-	20	Josh MORRIS	3	CENTRE	3	Kotoni STAGGS		9	8	10	52
15	6	-	24	Joseph MANU	4	CENTRE	4	Jordan KAHU		1	-	-	-
11	11	-	44	Brett MORRIS	5	WING	5	Herbie FARNWORTH		14	5	3	26
3	1	-	4	Drew HUTCHISON	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Sean O'SULLIVAN		-	-	-	-
13	4	60	136	Kyle FLANAGAN	7	HALFBACK	7	Tom DEARDEN		7	1	-	4
12	1	-	4	Jared WAEREA-HARGREAVES	8	FRONT ROW	8	Joe OFAHENGAUE		11	-	-	-
15	1	-	4	Jake FRIEND	9	HOOKER	9	Cory PAIX		8	1	-	4
14	1	3	10	Siosua TAUKEIAHO	10	FRONT ROW	10	Rhys KENNEDY		10	1	-	4
7	2	-	8	Boyd CORDNER	11	SECOND ROW	11	David FIFITA		5	2	-	8
14	3	-	12	Sitili TUPOUNIUA	12	SECOND ROW	12	Ben TE'O		11	1	-	4
13	-	-	-	Isaac LIU	13	LOCK	13	Patrick CARRIGAN		14	-	-	-
* 2 games for Cronulla-Sutherland Sharks													
1	-	-	-	Freddy LUSSICK	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Brodie CROFT		13	1	-	4
12*	-	-	-	Poasa FAAMAUSILI	15		15	Jordan RIKI		2	-	-	-
12	-	-	-	Nat BUTCHER	16		16	Ethan BULLEMOR		5	-	-	-
14	1	-	4	Lindsay COLLINS	17		17	Jamil HOPOATE		8	-	-	-
4	-	-	-	Daniel FIFITA	18	RESERVES	18	Jesse ARTHARS		5	1	-	4
5	-	-	-	Ryan HALL	19		19	Pride PETTERSON-ROBATI		-	-	-	-
1	-	-	-	Max BAILEY	20		20	Tyson GAMBLE		1	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	Egan BUTCHER	21		21	Corey OATES		10	1	-	4

* 4 games for Warriors

TRENT ROBINSON

COACH

PETER GENTLE

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RLP MILESTONES Kyle FLANAGAN (Roosters) - 14 more points for 150 club points

#NRLRoostersBroncos

MATCH DETAILS

DATE	Friday 28 August 2020
KICKOFF	7:55pm AEST
VENUE	Sydney Cricket Ground Moore Park, NSW
WATCH	Nine Network & 9Now Fox League & Kayo Sports
LISTEN	ABC Grandstand Triple M Brisbane 2GB SYD, 4BC BNE
LIVE BLOG	LeagueUnlimited.com

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE	Adam GEE
TOUCH JUDGES	Peter GOUGH Belinda SHARPE
NRL BUNKER	Jared MAXWELL Ben GALEA

Match Stats

Courtesy of Rugby League Project

HEAD TO HEAD: 51 matches

Roosters 21 Broncos 30

At the SCG: 1 matches, Roosters 1, Broncos 0

LAST TEN CLASHES

Year	Round	Roosters	Broncos
2016	R21	Roosters 32-16	Allianz
2016	R26	Broncos 24-14	Suncorp
2017	R6	Broncos 32-8	Suncorp
2017	R13	Roosters 18-16	Allianz
2017	FN	Roosters 24-22	Allianz
2018	R11	Broncos 28-22	Suncorp
2018	R24	Broncos 22-8	Allianz
2019	R4	Roosters 36-4	S.C.G.
2019	R10	Broncos 15-10	Suncorp
2020	R4	Roosters 59-0	Suncorp

BIGGEST WINS

1989	R9	Broncos 36-2	Allianz
2020	R4	Roosters 59-0	Suncorp

FORM: LAST FIVE

ROOSTERS	W W W L W	4th, 20pts
BRONCOS	L L L L L	15th, 6pts

NEXT UP - ROUND 17

ROOSTERS (A)	v Raiders, GIO	Sat 7:35pm
BRONCOS (H)	v Panthers, Suncorp	Thu 7:50pm

Match Preview

with Andrew Jackson

Biggest mismatch of the season looms

Any doubts over the Roosters' premiership credentials were quashed last week with a dominant win over the Tigers. Despite a mounting injury toll the Roosters put Wests Tigers to the sword with Kyle Flanagan and Drew Hutchison not overawed by the occasion to help lead the side to a 38-16 win.

The Tricolours are starting to welcome back some of the cavalry with Boyd Corder and Daniel Tupou returning. The temptation would have been there for Robinson to rest the pair for one more week with the Broncos not posing any real threat.

It doesn't bode well for Brisbane with it clear that the Roosters aren't intent on being complacent on Friday.

This week brings an end to the reign of Anthony Seibold and if there was one specific low point in a dismal season it has to be Brisbane's last meeting with the Roosters.

The 59-0 defeat was their biggest in history. It dispelled any hope that the 34-6 loss to Parramatta was a small blip after two consecutive losses to start the year. Unfortunately it has all gone downhill from there and Seibold has been the casualty.

Tom Dearden and Sean O'Sullivan make up a highly inexperienced halves pairing for this Friday's game but thankfully for them the Roosters too also field a relatively fresh combination.

Brisbane showed great resolve last week to fight back against the Dragons after a disastrous start. The only problem is if they fall behind again they will struggle to get anywhere near a relentless Roosters side.

Who to watch: You know what is even scarier about Brisbane's 59-point drubbing at the hands of the Roosters? The fact that James Tedesco wasn't even playing that night.

Brisbane's defence has struggled big-time this year and will have a tough task trying to contain the tackle-busting fullback. Their ruck defence in particular has been brutally exposed and Tedesco could have a field day trailing through the middle off the Roosters' big men.

If the Broncos are any chance of even getting close on Friday night they need all the help they can get from David Fifita. The soon-to-be Titan already has 18 tackle busts from his three games since returning from injury. He could also be a strong target to put up against the Roosters' rookie halves pairing given his sheer size and evasiveness.

Favourite: ... this is pretty obvious. Roosters are the shortest priced favourites of the year.

My tip: Even if they're not at their best, it is the home side with ease. **Roosters by 30.**



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WARRIORS



Newcastle KNIGHTS

P	T	G	Pts							P	T	G	Pts
14	3	1	14	Roger TUIVASA-SHECK	1	FULLBACK	1	Kalyn PONGA		14	6	42	108
8	2	1	10	Adam POMPEY	2	WING	2	Starford TO'A		3	2	-	8
2	-	-	-	Hayze PERHAM	3	CENTRE	3	Enari TUALA		14	8	-	32
13	6	-	24	Peta HIKU	4	CENTRE	4	Gehamat SHIBASAKI		7	2	-	8
5*	2	-	8	George JENNINGS	5	WING	5	Hymel HUNT		15	6	-	24
14	2	17*	43	Kodi NIKORIMA	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Mason LINO		-	-	-	-
8	-	8	16	Chanel HARRIS-TAVITA	7	HALFBACK	7	Mitchell PEARCE		15	2	-*	9
15	1	-	4	Jamayne TAUNOA-BROWN	8	FRONT ROW	8	David KLEMMER		15	-	-	-
12	3	-	12	Karl LAWTON	9	HOOKER	9	Kurt MANN		15	6	-	24
9	-	-	-	Lachlan BURR	10	FRONT ROW	10	Jacob SAIFITI		15	2	-	8
11	4	-	16	Eliesa KATOA	11	SECOND ROW	11	Lachlan FITZGIBBON		12	-	-	-
15	1	-	4	Tohu HARRIS	12	SECOND ROW	12	Aidan GUERRA		15	1	-	4
7	-	-	-	Jazz TEVAGA	13	LOCK	13	Mitchell BARNETT		8	1	-	4
14	2	-	8	Wayde EGAN	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Phoenix CROSSLAND		4	1	-	4
15	-	-	-	Adam BLAIR	15		15	Herman ESE'ESE		15	1	-	4
5*	-	-	-	Daniel ALVARO	16		16	Josh KING		4	-	-	-
8	2	-	8	Jack MURCHIE	17		17	Pasami SAULO		6	-	-	-
11	1	-	4	Isaiah PAPALI'I	18	RESERVES	18	Brodie JONES		5	-	-	-
6	-	-	-	Gerard BEALE	20		19	Chris RANDALL		2	-	-	-
1	-	-	-	Josh CURRAN	21		20	Tex HOY		7	1	2	8
1	-	-	-	Paul TURNER	22		21	Jirah MOMOISEA		-	-	-	-

* 1 game for Parramatta Eels

TODD PAYTEN

COACH

ADAM O'BRIEN

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RLP MILESTONES Roger TUIVASA-SHECK (Warriors) - 2 more points for 100 club points

#NRLWarriorsKnights

MATCH DETAILS

DATE	Saturday 29 August 2020
KICKOFF	3:00pm AEST
VENUE	Scully Park Tamworth, NSW
WATCH	Fox League & Kayo Sports
LISTEN	ABC Grandstand Triple M SYD, BNE NRL Nation
LIVE BLOG	LeagueUnlimited.com

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE	Matt CECCHIN
TOUCH JUDGES	Todd SMITH Gavin BADGER
NRL BUNKER	Steve CHIDDY Ben LOWE

Match Stats

Courtesy of Rugby League Project

HEAD TO HEAD: 42 matches

Warriors 21 Knights 20 Drawn 1

At Scully Park: first meeting at this venue

LAST TEN CLASHES

Year	Round	Score	Winner
2015	R1	Knights 24-14	McDonald Jones
2015	R12	Warriors 24-20	Mt Smart
2016	R4	Warriors 40-18	Mt Smart
2016	R14	Warriors 50-14	McDonald Jones
2017	R1	Warriors 26-22	Mt Smart
2017	R22	Knights 26-10	McDonald Jones
2018	R22	Warriors 20-4	Mt Smart
2019	R8	Knights 36-18	Mt Smart
2019	R16	Warriors 24-20	McDonald Jones
2020	R1	Knights 20-0	McDonald Jones

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BIGGEST WINS

1995	R9	Knights 48-6	McDonald Jones
1999	R25	Warriors 42-0	Mt Smart
2007	R20	Warriors 52-10	Mt Smart

FORM: LAST FIVE

WARRIORS	L W W L W	12th, 12pts
KNIGHTS	L L W W W	6th, 19pts

NEXT UP - ROUND 17

WARRIORS (H)	v Eels, Central Coast	Sun 4:05pm
KNIGHTS (H)	v Sharks, McDonald Jones	Fri 6:00pm

Match Preview

with Rick Edgerton

Warriors eye off unlikely finals birth as Knights set sights on top four.

The New Zealand Warriors will head back to Tamworth this Saturday for the first time since the town hosted them during their quarantine period in May as they play hosts to the Newcastle Knights in an all-important clash to kick off Super Saturday proceedings.

After coming from behind to down the Bulldogs last Sunday, making it three wins in their last four games, the Warriors find themselves four points out of the top eight and a fighting chance of playing finals footy – a remarkable achievement considering all the odds stacked against them this year. Interim Coach Todd Payten will welcome back promising youngsters Chanel Harris-Tevita at halfback and Eliesa Katoa in the second-row for this clash with Paul Turner and Isaiah Papali'I slotting back to the reserves.

Whilst the Warriors sniff out an unlikely finals birth, the Knights all but cemented theirs after grinding out a victory over the Cowboys last week, making it three wins on the bounce for the first time this year. Now set for their first finals appearance since 2013, the Novocastrians, sitting one point behind the Roosters and Raiders on the ladder will be looking to force their way into a top four position.

That task has been made all the more harder after the loss of Blake Green to an ACL injury in what was just his third appearance for the club. The loss of the experienced five-eighth made it their fourth season-ender in key positions after already losing hookers Jayden Brailey and Andrew McCullough along with the versatile Connor Watson this year.

There's been a large focus on the Knights struggle for points following Sunday's win after dominating field possession and only coming up with two tries on the day. Coach Adam O'Brien however, refuses to budge in his defence first mentality this year and the club's 'next man up' mantra will be put to test again with Mason Lino earning an opportunity to partner Mitchell Pearce in the halves in what will be his first game this year.

Resisting the urge to move Kurt Mann back into the six where he was strong before being shifted to rake after Green's arrival, O'Brien has entrusted Lino to play more of a natural pivot role in order to take pressure off Pearce and to continue granting superstar Kalyn Ponga the freedom to play his natural game. Lino's ability to kick goals should also give them a boost with Ponga struggling to land them between the sticks this year, with a success rate of just 65% compared to Lino who kicks at 81% for his career.

Who to watch: Signing with the Warriors for the remainder of the season upon the competition's resumption in May, former Raider Jack Murchie was quickly rewarded for his strong work ethic with a further two years extended on his contract and enjoyed somewhat of a breakout performance in last week's victory over the Bulldogs. After being handed an opportunity back in the top grade after five weeks out of action, the interchange forward hooked into his work for a 48 minute stint making 32 tackles and 73 metres, but it was the first two tries of his young career that really caught the eye. His first came after being the unlikely recipient of a cross-field bomb and the second backing up on the inside after a Warriors break. Both plays showcased his willingness to never give up on a play.

Since returning in round 10 from a neck injury suffered in the last game before the Covid shutdown, Mitch Barnett has been ripping into his work in a way that has him looming as a bolter for the Blues at the end of the year. After one game back via the bench, Barnett was promoted to starting Lock the following week where he's taken his game to another level with some big minute performances in the middle. In that five game block, Barnett has averaged 146 metres, 43 tackles and close to 3 tackle busts and offloads per game. The tough and aggressive back-rower also leads the Knights line-speed and you'll often see him flying out of the line looking to make an impact in defence.

Favourite: Newcastle are strong favourites to rack up their 4th win in a row.

My tip: This one appears a lot closer than the bookmakers have it. The Warriors resilience has been nothing short of outstanding and their only losses in the last five weeks have been to the Panthers and Roosters via six point margins. Speaking of resilience, the Knights have built their season around it and whilst their attack is still very much a work in progress, they should have enough class to get them over the line. **Knights by 6.**

Cronulla-Sutherland
SHARKS



North Queensland
COWBOYS

P	T	G	Pts						P	T	G	Pts
11	3	-	12	Will KENNEDY	1	FULLBACK	1	Scott DRINKWATER	11	2	-	8
15	13	-	52	Sione KATOA	2	WING	2	Kyle FELDT	15	11	23	90
11	4	-	16	Josh DUGAN	3	CENTRE	3	Justin O'NEILL	13	5	-	20
14	8	-	32	Jesse RAMIEN	4	CENTRE	4	Murray TAULAGI	2	-	-	-
10	6	-	24	Ronaldo MULITALO	5	WING	5	Valentine HOLMES	7	2	12	32
10	2	-	8	Connor TRACEY	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Daejarn ASI	2	1	-	4
14	2	48	104	Shaun JOHNSON	7	HALFBACK	7	Michael MORGAN	5	2	-*	9
15	4	-	16	Braden HAMLIN-UELE	8	FRONT ROW	8	Francis MOLO	15	2	-	8
15	3	-	12	Blayke BRAILEY	9	HOOKER	9	Reuben COTTER	5	-	-	-
15	1	-	4	Aaron WOODS	10	FRONT ROW	10	Jordan MCLEAN	10	-	-	-
10	3	-	12	Briton NIKORA	11	SECOND ROW	11	Mitchell DUNN	12	1	-	4
15	3	-	12	Wade GRAHAM	12	SECOND ROW	12	Coen HESS	14	3	-	12
15	-	-	-	Toby RUDOLF	13	LOCK	13	Josh MCGUIRE	13	-	-	-
11	2	-	8	Siosifa TALAKAI	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Jake GRANVILLE	7	-	-	-
9	-	-	-	Scott SORENSEN	15		15	John ASIATA	7	-	-	-
13	2	-	8	Jack WILLIAMS	16		16	Tom GILBERT	7	-	-	-
10	1	-	4	Royce HUNT	17		17	Corey JENSEN	3	-	-	-
3	-	-	-	Teig WILTON	18	RESERVES	18	Shane WRIGHT	8	-	-	-
5	3	-	12	Bryson GOODWIN	19		19	Jake CLIFFORD	10	1	1	6
8	-	4	8	Matt MOYLAN	20		20	Connelly LEMUELU	6	1	-	4
7	1	-	4	Andrew FIFITA	21		21	Peter HOLA	4	-	-	-

JOHN MORRIS

COACH

JOSH HANNAY

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RLP MILESTONES Kyle FELDT (Cowboys) - 1 more try to become equal second top try scorer for Cowboys

#NRLSharksCowboys

MATCH DETAILS

DATE	Saturday 29 August 2020
KICKOFF	5:30pm AEST
VENUE	Netstrata Jubilee Stadium Carlton, NSW
WATCH	Fox League & Kayo Sports
LISTEN	ABC Grandstand 2GB SYD / 4BC BNE
LIVE BLOG	LeagueUnlimited.com

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE	Chris SUTTON
TOUCH JUDGES	Ziggy PRZEKLASA-ADAMSKI Drew OULTRAM
NRL BUNKER	Henry PERENARA Bryan NORRIE

Match Stats

Courtesy of Rugby League Project

HEAD TO HEAD: 49 matches

Sharks 31 Cowboys 18

At Netstrata Jubilee Stadium: first meeting at this venue

LAST TEN CLASHES

Year	Round	Sharks	Cowboys	Competition
2016	R14	Sharks 13-10	SC Group	CRO 8 - 2 NQL
2016	Finals	Sharks 32-20	Allianz	
2017	R11	Sharks 18-14	SC Group	
2017	R24	Sharks 26-16	1300 Smiles	
2017	Finals	Cowboys 15-14	Allianz	
2018	R1	Cowboys 20-14	1300 Smiles	
2018	R23	Sharks 28-16	PointsBet	
2019	R3	Sharks 42-16	1300 Smiles	
2019	R19	Sharks 16-14	PointsBet	
2020	R4	Sharks 26-16	QLD Country Bank	

BIGGEST WINS

2000	R18	Sharks 42-6	Sharks
2005	R13	Cowboys 56-14	1300 Smiles

FORM: LAST FIVE

SHARKS	W W L W L	8th, 16pts
COWBOYS	L L L L L	14th, 6pts

NEXT UP - ROUND 16

SHARKS (A)	v Knights, McDonald Jones	Fri 6:00pm
COWBOYS (H)	v Dragons, QCBS	Sun 6:30pm

Match Preview

with Adam Huxtable

Cowboys search for first win in eight weeks against Sharks

It's been the year that's slowly but surely become a complete basket case for the Cowboys. What started out so promising, with a shiny new stadium and a star new recruit from the USA, in Round 16 the Cowboys are sitting 14th on the ladder with an interim coach and Valentine Holmes only taking the field 7 times so far.

For the Sharks, 2020 was supposed to be the year they finally fell off the boil and missed the finals. Everything was going according to the status quo after a 1 and 4 start to the year, with coach John Morris under more pressure every week. Those talks surrounding his job security have since vanished and the Sharks have solidified a place in the top 8, and a win on Saturday would see them move closer to a possible home final in week 1.

In team news, the Sharks will have an all new halves pairing compared to the side that lost to Penrith. Connor Tracey gets his first start since re-joining the club, replacing Matt Moylan at five-eighth, who has been dropped.

Shaun Johnson comes back in at halfback after missing last week due to the combination of a groin problem and the birth of his first child. Briton Nikora has been recalled to play his first game since Round 12, pushing Siosifa Talakai back to the bench.

The Cowboys have dropped Tom Opacic and Hamiso Tabuai-Fidow, bringing in Murray Taulagi and Valentine Holmes in to replace them in the centres and on the wing respectively. It will be Holmes first game since early July, when an ankle injury forced him to sit out for 6 weeks. Daejarn Asi has been recalled to five-eighth in favour of Ben Hampton.

In order to cover the loss of injured superstar Jason Taumalolo, Josh Hannay has shifted Josh McGuire to lock with Francis Molo coming in to start in the front row. Corey Jensen is the man who comes on to the interchange bench in jersey 17.

Who to watch: Sharks livewire Connor Tracey has impressed in 2020 whenever he's had the opportunity, scoring two tries in recent weeks after coming off the bench and his efforts have earned him his first start in the halves since Round 12 last year for the Rabbitohs. In that game he ran his way to a stunning 15 tackle breaks, and with Shaun Johnson's newly found game management skills to complement him, expect to see Tracey running the ball a lot on Saturday evening.

For the Cowboys, it's hard to go past Valentine Holmes. The fact he is playing against the club he broke his contract with 2 years ago has been somewhat lost in the media circus this week, but I'm sure he'll be reminded of it by the Sharks crowd when standing out on the wing on Saturday. It will be interesting to see of and when Holmes returns to his favoured position of fullback, and if naming him as winger is just to ease him back into first grade. The last time that was tried however, Holmes re-injured himself and his replacement had five tries scored against him, so let's hope he is 100% fit this time because when he is, he's one of the most electric players in the game.

Favourite: In a reversal of when these two sides went head to head earlier this year, the Sharks are clear favourites to beat the Cowboys.

My tip: The past month for the Cowboys has simply been horrible, whether it be getting smashed by the Titans or surrendering a 6 point lead with 2 minutes to go against the Rabbitohs, things just haven't gone their way, and unfortunately for them, I don't think much will change come Saturday evening. **Sharks by 14.**



P	T	G	Pts					P	T	G	Pts	
7	4	-	16	Dylan EDWARDS	1	FULLBACK	1	Adam DOUEIHI	15	3	2	16
14	5	-	20	Josh MANSOUR	2	WING	2	David NOFOALUMA	15	13	-	52
11	9	-	36	Brent NADEN	3	CENTRE	3	Joseph LEILUA	11	4	-	16
15	13	7	66	Stephen CRICHTON	4	CENTRE	4	Moses MBYE	13	3	28	68
8	2	-	8	Brian TO'O	5	WING	5	Tommy TALAU	9	5	-	20
15	3	-	12	Jarome LUAI	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Luke BROOKS	13	2	-*	9
13	4	54 ²	126	Nathan CLEARY	7	HALFBACK	7	Benji MARSHALL	11	2	14 ⁺	37
15	-	-	-	James TAMOU	8	FRONT ROW	8	Josh ALOIAI	15	3	-	12
3	-	-	-	Mitch KENNY	9	HOOKER	9	Harry GRANT	10	3	-	12
15	-	-	-	Moses LEOTA	10	FRONT ROW	10	Thomas MIKAELE	13	-	-	-
15	2	-	8	Isaah YEO	11	SECOND ROW	11	Luke GARNER	12	5	-	20
14	2	-	8	Liam MARTIN	12	SECOND ROW	12	Luciano LEILUA	15	6	-	24
15	-	-	-	James FISHER-HARRIS	13	LOCK	13	Alex TWAL	8	-	-	-
8	-	-	-	Tyrone MAY	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Matt EISENHUTH	9	1	-	4
7	-	-	-	Spencer LENIU	15		15	Elijah TAYLOR	7	-	-	-
9	2	-	8	Billy BURNS	16		16	Jacob LIDDLE	2	1	-	4
12	-	-	-	Zane TETEVANO	17		17	Shawn BLORE	3	-	-	-
2	-	-	-	Daine LAURIE	18	RESERVES	18	Chris LAWRENCE	10	-	-	-
3	1	-	4	Kurt CAPEWELL	19		19	Sam MCINTYRE	8	2	-	8
4	2	-	8	Matt BURTON	20		20	Josh REYNOLDS	9	1	-	4
-	-	-	-	Pat HOLLIS	21		21	Asu KEPAOA	1	-	-	-

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RLP MILESTONES Nathan CLEARY (Panthers) - 3 more goals for 300 club & career goal

#NRLPanthersTigers

MATCH DETAILS

DATE	Saturday 29 August 2020
KICKOFF	7:35pm AEST
VENUE	Panthers Stadium Penrith, NSW
WATCH	Fox League & Kayo Sports
LISTEN	ABC Grandstand Triple M Brisbane 2GB SYD, 4BC BNE
LIVE BLOG	LeagueUnlimited.com

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE	Ben CUMMINS
TOUCH JUDGES	Dave MUNRO Matt NOYEN
NRL BUNKER	Steve CLARK Ben GALEA

Match Stats

Courtesy of Rugby League Project

HEAD TO HEAD: 35 matches

Panthers 22 Tigers 13

At Panthers Stadium: 17 matches, Panthers 12, Tigers 5

LAST TEN CLASHES

Year	Round	Match	Opponent
2014	R17	Panthers 26-10	Leichhardt
2015	R16	Panthers 35-12	Leichhardt
2016	R17	Tigers 34-26	ANZ
2016	R24	Panthers 40-10	Pepper
2017	R2	Panthers 36-2	Campbelltown
2017	R22	Panthers 28-14	Panthers
2018	R11	Panthers 16-2	Panthers
2019	R4	Panthers 9-8	Panthers
2019	R9	Tigers 30-4	Suncorp
2020	R8	Panthers 19-12	Bankwest

BIGGEST WINS

2001	R25	Panthers 44-10	Penrith
2017	R2	Panthers 36-2	Campbelltown
2012	R7	Tigers 30-0	Penrith

FORM: LAST FIVE

PANTHERS	W W W W W	1st, 27pts
TIGERS	L L L W L	9th, 12pts

NEXT UP - ROUND 17

PANTHERS (A)	v Broncos, Suncorp	Thu 7:50pm
TIGERS (A)	v Sea Eagles, Lottoland	Sat 5:30pm

Match Preview

with Jason Hosken

Tigers in enemy territory to end the Panthers' record run.

When these sides last met back in round 8 it was the night the sixth placed Tigers fell short, and a smiling Ivan Cleary gestured rowdy Wests fans towards the scoreboard.

Penrith hasn't stopped laughing since. Now with one hand on the minor premiership the Panthers are poised to extend a club record 10 match winning streak, while the Tigers, with only two wins from their past seven, have slipped to ninth needing four wins from their last five to be a puncher's chance at finals footy.

Where the Panthers have grown a leg, the Tigers have once again run out of puff. With the boos of the Leichhardt faithful ringing in their ears after halftime last week, Michael Maquire's Tigers sparked with two tries but failed to ignite as the Roosters skipped clear to win 38-16.

Battered and mentally shot, the Tigers just couldn't get out of second gear in a depressing first half against the reigning premiers that kick started a horror run that takes them to the foot of the mountains before contests that include the resurgent Rabbitohs and competition heavyweights Melbourne and Parramatta.

In a boost to black-and-gold spirits Harry Grant returns from a knee injury forcing fellow hooker Jacob Liddle to the bench, while in a possible sign of things to come a frustrated Maquire has axed top-dollar recruits Josh Reynolds and Russell Packer. In other changes, Tom Mikaele and Alex Twal will start in the pack with Matt Eisenhuth and young tearaway Shawn Blore named on the interchange.

Back in July when Penrith rolled the Tigers 19-12 it was Api Koroisau's tenacity that proved the difference, but this week the inspiration will have to come from elsewhere given a calf injury will see the classy hooker parked up alongside the suspended Viliame Kikau.

Now three points clear of the second placed Storm, the key outs are a major threat to the Panthers' rhythm. Mitch Kenny will do his best in Koroisau's boots, while the Kikau fallout sees James Fisher-Harris named at lock and Moses Leota at prop. Out wide, Tyrone May makes way for centre Brent Naden and Brian To'o returns on the wing following a seven week ankle injury.

Who to watch: Last week at Panthers Stadium Matt Moylan starred as a tormented character in a Liam Martin horror movie. The Sharks five-eighth simply had no answer to the Temora backrower's power - brushed aside for two tries and monstereed in a legal steal. Now an 80 minute regular, Martin's profile has been on the rise since his debut in 2019 and thanks to last week's seven tackle breaks, the Tigers' halves could be in for a sleepless week.

Now in his fourth full season of NRL, Luciano Leilua is maturing into a reliable strike weapon. Heading an undersized pack the former Dragon loves nothing more than launching his 114 kilogram bulk into edge defenders. And if the Tigers are to match the Panthers' bully men, the 24-year-old will need a repeat of last week's 148 metres, of which half were a dozer-like post contact.

Favourite: Cronulla coach John Morris reckons the Panthers are the team to beat for the premiership. So it'll take something monumental from the Tigers to upset the apple cart.

My tip: Penrith have made a habit of dining out on mid-table mediocrity. And even allowing for the loss of Koroisau and a host of other changes, a large swig of pre-finals complacency is about the only thing that will stop Penrith from equalling a club record seven consecutive victories on home turf. **Panthers by 10.**

Melbourne STORM



Manly-Warringah SEA EAGLES

P	T	G	Pts							P	T	G	Pts
14	6	4 ⁺	33	Ryan PAPHUYZEN	1	FULLBACK	1	Tevita FUNA		7	4	-	16
6	-	-	-	Marion SEVE	2	WING	2	Jorge TAUFUA		12	6	-	24
8	3	-	12	Brenko LEE	3	CENTRE	3	Brad PARKER		14	2	-	8
14	4	-	16	Justin OLAM	4	CENTRE	4	Jack GOSIEWSKI		19	2	-	8
14	10	-	40	Josh ADDO-CARR	5	WING	5	Reuben GARRICK		15	3	38	88
11	1	6 ¹	17	Cameron MUNSTER	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Cade CUST		8	3	-	12
12	5	-	20	Jahrome HUGHES	7	HALFBACK	7	Daly CHERRY-EVANS		15	5	- ¹	21
12	-	-	-	Jesse BROMWICH	8	FRONT ROW	8	Addin FONUA-BLAKE		12	2	-	8
12	1	51	106	Cameron SMITH	9	HOKKER	9	Danny LEVI		15	2	-	8
13	-	-	-	Christian WELCH	10	FRONT ROW	10	Martin TAUPAU		13	1	-	4
14	2	-	8	Felise KAUFUSI	11	SECOND ROW	11	Joel THOMPSON		13	2	-	8
10	1	-	4	Tom EISENHUTH	12	SECOND ROW	12	Curtis SIRONEN		13	2	-	8
13	2	-	8	Nelson ASOFA-SOLOMONA	13	LOCK	13	Jake TRBOJEVIC		15	1	-	4
5	1	3	10	Nicho HYNES	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Lachlan CROKER		15	1	-	4
15	4	-	16	Tino FAASUAMALEAUI	15		15	Corey WADDELL		9	-	-	-
1	-	-	-	Sandor EARL	16		16	Sean KEPPIE		14	-	-	-
2	-	-	-	Darryn SCHONIG	17		17	Taniela PASEKA		13	-	-	-
7	1	-	4	Ryley JACKS	18	RESERVES	18	Albert HOPOATE		-	-	-	-
2	-	-	-	Chris LEWIS	19		19	Abbas MISKI		-	-	-	-
4	-	-	-	Albert VETE	20		20	Morgan BOYLE		5	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	Isaac LUMELUME	21		21	Haumole OLAKAU'ATU		4	1	-	4

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RLP MILESTONES Reuben GARRICK (Sea Eagles) - 18 more points for 300 club and career points

#NRLManlyStorm

MATCH DETAILS

DATE	Sunday 30 August 2020
KICKOFF	4:05pm AEST
VENUE	Sunshine Coast Stadium Kawana Waters, QLD
WATCH	Nine Network & 9Now Fox League & Kayo Sports
LISTEN	ABC Grandstand 2GB SYD / 4BC BNE NRL Nation
LIVE BLOG	LeagueUnlimited.com

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE	Grant ATKINS
TOUCH JUDGES	Phil HENDERSON Peter GOUGH
NRL BUNKER	Ashley KLEIN Henry PERENARA

Match Stats

Courtesy of Rugby League Project

HEAD TO HEAD: 37 matches

Storm 21 Sea Eagles 15 Drawn 1

At Sunshine Coast Stadium: first meeting at this venue

LAST TEN CLASHES MEL 6 - 4 MAN

2015	R2	Sea Eagles 24-22	Brookvale
2015	R8	Sea Eagles 12-10	AAMI
2016	R24	Storm 38-18	Brookvale
2017	R7	Storm 30-26	Lottoland
2017	R21	Storm 40-6	AAMI
2018	R11	Sea Eagles 24-4	AAMI
2018	R18	Storm 14-13	Lottoland
2019	R19	Sea Eagles 11-10	AAMI
2019	R24	Storm 36-6	Lottoland
2020	R1	Storm 18-4	Lottoland

BIGGEST WINS

2008	GF	Sea Eagles 40-0	ANZ
2017	R21	Storm 40-6	AAMI

FORM: LAST FIVE

STORM	W W W W L	2nd, 24pts
SEA EAGLES	W L L L L	11th, 12pts

NEXT UP - ROUND 17

STORM (A)	v Rabbitohs, ANZ	Fri 7:55pm
SEA EAGLES (H)	v Tigers, Lottoland	Sat 5:30pm

Match Preview

with Lachy MacCorquodale

Key players return for the Storm as the host the struggling Sea Eagles.

Four key players return for the Melbourne Storm this Sunday as they host the 11th placed Manly-Warringah Sea Eagles. Both Cameron's, Smith and Munster, return for the defending minor premiers this weekend after both recovering from their respective injuries.

The Storm have played two matches without their two star players resulting in a convincing win over the Sydney Roosters and a 14-point loss to the Parramatta Eels last week. The Storm were also without Jesse Bromwich and Jahrome Hughes in their match against the Eels and despite losing, the Storm were still able to put up a fight against the third placed side. Their performance last Thursday night speaks volumes about the system that Craig Bellamy has put in place down in Melbourne as they currently sit in second place on the competition ladder. It was the Storm's first loss since June and with the aforementioned players all returning to the side this week, they should be able to get back to their winning ways. It's a timely return for Cameron Smith who replaces the injured Brandon Smith at hooker. Hughes and Munster swap into the halves for Ryley Jacks and Cooper Johns, whilst Jesse Bromwich pushes Tino Fa'asuamaleaui to the bench. Jesse's brother Kenny will miss out this week with a calf injury, giving Tom Eisenhut a start in the back row and the final change sees Marion Seve coming onto the wing for Sandor Earl who moves to the bench.

Manly's struggle with injuries continues as Moses Suli has been ruled out for the remainder of the season with a Lisfranc injury. The Sea Eagles have been hampered for the majority of the season with injuries to key players which has seen the Sea Eagles slump to 11th on the ladder having won just two of their past nine matches. Des Hasler's side suffered an embarrassing 40-point loss to the Rabbitohs on Saturday night after having trailed 38-0 at the half time break. Manly will be looking to respond to their performance from the weekend and a win is needed to keep their season alive as they sit two wins outside of the top eight. Tevita Funa has been named at fullback, the third player to appear at the back for Manly since the injury to Tom Trbojevic. The Sea Eagles will be hoping that he can provide some spark in attack for a side that hasn't won any of their previous four matches. The have conceded 26 points or more in their in their past four matches, which will need to improve drastically if they're any hope of knocking off the Storm on Sunday afternoon. Reuben Garrick returns to the wing with Funa starting in the number one jersey whilst Jack Gosiewski starts at centre for the injured Moses Suli. Martin Taupau starts in the front row pushing Tanieli Paseka to the bench. Joel Thompson returns in the back row after that gruesome tongue injury as Corey Waddell moves to the bench.

Who to watch: The Melbourne Storm gave away an incredible eight penalties on Thursday night and returning skipper Cameron Smith will ensure that his side is more disciplined this Sunday afternoon. Smith has missed the last three matches after suffering an injury to his shoulder against the Newcastle Knights in round 12. Despite having to endure rehab, the break would've given Smith a chance to rest his body as the Storm aim to push deep into the season, hopefully ending in a third premiership for the game's record holder. The 37-year-old has had a great season having provided nine try assists and seven forced drop outs in his 12 appearances so far this season. The goalkicker is also kicking at 86.4%, the highest rate of his career since 2003. The skipper will be fired up for his return to NRL action and he'll be attempting to meticulously pick apart the injury ravaged Sea Eagles defence.

His former Queensland origin teammate, Daly Cherry-Evans has had another tough gig this year with his star teammate Tom Trbojevic missing the majority of the season once again. The 31-year-old halfback hasn't been able to guide his team to their expected destination this year, mainly due to his counterparts falling apart around him. Cherry-Evans is averaging 62 touches per game this season, up from 52 last year, highlighting that the Queensland halfback has been forced to play his hand more with the lack of creative options around him. Manly's halfback has also been credited with 11 try assists and eight forced drop outs this season, whilst averaging 78 run metres per game, a career high. The Manly skipper will be required to play one of his finest games on Sunday to keep his finals hopes alive.

Favourite: Melbourne are the favourites for this clash, having won 10 of their past 12 matches which is in complete contrast to Manly's two wins from their past nine. Cameron Smith and Cameron Munster returning for the defending minor premiers is a massive reason why the Storm are favourites combine with their 14-point win over the Sea Eagles in round 1 earlier this year.

My tip: Melbourne should win this match comfortably, Manly are really struggling for form at the moment and their defence has leaked a truckload of points over the past few weeks. The Storm are undefeated up on the Sunshine Coast and I expect this to continue. Too much firepower for the Sea Eagles to handle. **Storm by 18.**

Canberra RAIDERS



Canterbury-Bankstown BULLDOGS

P	T	G	Pts						P	T	G	Pts
14	7	-	28	Charnze NICOLL-KLOKSTAD	1	FULLBACK	1	Will HOPOATE	8	2	-	8
12	2	-	8	Jordan RAPANA	2	WING	2	Nick MEANEY	13	5	15	50
15	3	48	108	Jarrold CROKER	3	CENTRE	3	Marcelo MONTOYA	7	3	-	12
12	2	-	8	Curtis SCOTT	4	CENTRE	4	Kerrod HOLLAND	8	1	4	12
15	10	-	40	Nick COTRIC	5	WING	5	Dallin WATENE-ZELEZNIAK	13	1	-	4
15	6	-	24	Jack WIGHTON	6	FIVE-EIGHTH	6	Kieran FORAN	12	3	-	12
15	4	-	16	George WILLIAMS	7	HALFBACK	7	Lachlan LEWIS	9	1	-	4
15	4	-	16	Josh PAPALI'I	8	FRONT ROW	8	Ofahiki OGDEN	9	-	-	-
15	-	-	-	Siliva HAVILI	9	HOOKER	9	Jeremy MARSHALL-KING	15	1	-	4
12	1	-	4	Dunamis LUI	10	FRONT ROW	10	Dylan NAPA	14	-	-	-
4	1	-	4	John BATEMAN	11	SECOND ROW	11	Josh JACKSON	15	-	-	-
15	4	-	16	Elliott WHITEHEAD	12	SECOND ROW	12	Raymond FAITALA-MARINER	15	4	-	16
10	1	-	4	Hudson YOUNG	13	LOCK	13	Aiden TOLMAN	13	2	-	8
6	1	-	4	Tom STARLING	14	INTERCHANGE	14	Sione KATOA	7	-	-	-
14	1	-	4	Joseph TAPINE	15		15	Renouf TO'OMAGA	11	1	-	4
11	-	-	-	Ryan SUTTON	16		16	Dean BRITT	8	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	Matt TIMOKO	17		17	Matt DOOREY	2	1	-	4
-	-	-	-	Sam WILLIAMS	18	RESERVES	19	Luke THOMPSON	7	-	-	-
1	-	-	-	Harley SMITH-SHIELDS	19		20	Jack COGGER	4	-	-	-
3	-	-	-	Kai O'DONNELL	20		21	Reimis SMITH	11	3	-	12
-	-	-	-	Matt FRAWLEY	21		22	Tim LAFAI	6*	1	1	6

*2 games for St George Illawarra Dragons

RICKY STUART

COACH

STEVE GEORGALLIS

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RLP MILESTONES John BATEMAN (Raiders) - 4 more points for 200 career points (NRL + SL); Charnze NICOLL-KLOKSTAD (Raiders) - 8 more points for 100 career points; Kieran FORAN (Bulldogs) 7 more points for 200 career points

#NRLRaidersBulldogs

MATCH DETAILS

DATE	Sunday 30 August 2020
KICKOFF	6:30pm AEST
VENUE	GIO Stadium Canberra Bruce, ACT
WATCH	Fox League & Kayo Sports
LISTEN	ABC Grandstand Triple M SYD / BNE NRL Nation
LIVE BLOG	LeagueUnlimited.com

MATCH OFFICIALS

REFEREE	Chris BUTLER
TOUCH JUDGES	Jon STONE Liam KENNEDY
NRL BUNKER	Steve CHIDDY Bryan NORRIE

Match Stats

Courtesy of Rugby League Project

HEAD TO HEAD: 68 matches

Raiders 31 **Bulldogs 37**

At GIO Stadium: 24 matches, Raiders 14, Bulldogs 10

LAST TEN CLASHES

LAST TEN CLASHES			CAN 6 - 4 CBY
2012	R25	Raiders 34-6	GIO
2013	R23	Bulldogs 28-16	GIO
2014	R15	Bulldogs 22-14	GIO
2015	R11	Bulldogs 41-34	GIO
2016	R5	Raiders 22-8	Belmore
2016	R12	Raiders 32-20	GIO
2017	R9	Bulldogs 16-10	ANZ
2018	R5	Raiders 26-10	GIO
2018	R17	Raiders 32-28	Belmore
2019	R12	Raiders 12-10	ANZ

BIGGEST WINS

2007	R22	Bulldogs 52-4	ANZ
2008	R15	Raiders 58-18	ANZ

FORM: LAST FIVE

RAIDERS	W W L W W	5th, 20pts
BULLDOGS	W L L L L	16th, 4pts

NEXT UP - ROUND 17

RAIDERS (H)	v Roosters, GIO	Sat 7:35pm
BULLDOGS (H)	v Titans, ANZ	Sat 3:00pm

Match Preview

with Robert Crosby

Plenty to play for in clash of contrasting fortunes

The Canberra Raiders will be pushing for a place in the top four when they host the last-placed Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs at GIO Stadium on Sunday night.

Impressing over the past six weeks with five wins to sit in fifth position on the premiership ladder, the Canberra Raiders will be hoping to continue a dominant record over the Bulldogs in recent years.

Winning five out of the past six clashes against their 1994 Grand Final foes, coach Ricky Stuart will be looking to continue his side's momentum as they return to the nation's capital following a comprehensive 36-16 win over the Titans last week.

Resting mid-season signing Corey Harawira-Naera for the clash as per the conditions of his release from the Bulldogs, Auckland-born centre Matt Timoko will become the fourth player under the age of 21 to debut in first grade this season after being named on the bench.

Squandering leads in their past two matches to remain in 16th position with five rounds remaining, the Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs will be hoping to record their first win at GIO Stadium since 2015.

Holding an eight-point lead early in the second half before allowing the Warriors to surge to a 20-14 victory last week, Bulldogs interim coach Steve Georgallis has responded with mass changes in an effort to move off the bottom of the premiership ladder.

Recalling Marcelo Montoya, Dallin Watene-Zelezniak, Lachlan Lewis, Renouf To'omaga and Dean Britt for the clash, Queensland representative Dylan Napa will also make his return after serving a one-match ban for dangerous contact.

Who to watch: Stepping up to fill the void created by Josh Hodgson's season-ending injury, diminutive hooker Tom Starling has proven to be one of the year's great success stories.

Playing one game with Newcastle before adding a further three at Canberra last year, the 22-year-old has followed a similar trajectory to Damien Cook at Canterbury in making the most of an opportunity created through injury.

Providing the side with a fresh attacking spark over the past six weeks - capped off with his maiden NRL try in the win over the Titans - look for Starling to cause the Bulldogs plenty of havoc when he enters the match midway through the first half.

Returning to the Bulldogs' ranks after serving a one-match ban, representative prop Dylan Napa will be looking to make up for lost time.

Regarded as one of the most formidable forwards in the game at his best, the 27-year-old has been a willing contributor with 117 metres and 30 tackles on average in a dismal year for the former powerhouse club.

Yet to taste victory in Canberra after seven seasons in the top grade, Napa will be hoping for a personal breakthrough to lift the side off the bottom of the premiership ladder.

Favourite: Going down at home just once this season, the Raiders are heavily favoured to account for their lowly rivals.

My tip: With a loss potentially seeing the side fall as low as seventh, the Raiders are unlikely to relent on home soil. **Raiders by 18.**

DUBBO CYMS v WENTWORTHVILLE MAGPIES

APEX OVAL · SATURDAY 29 AUGUST 2020 · 1PM

Referee: Darian Furner; Sideline Officials: Simon Hartas, Anthony Pond

CYMS: 2. Jeremy Thurston 3. Jyie Chapman 4. Joshua Toole 5. Mose Esera 6. Alex Bonham 7. Bayden Searle 8. Jarryn Powyer 9. Isaac Thompson 10. Wade Kavanagh 11. Jayson Bukuya 12. Billy Sing 13. Ben Marlin 14. Cameron Dennis 15. Jack Quinn 16. John Ciaparra 17. Mark Merritt 18. Noah Ryan 19. Tom Stimpson 20. Brody Chapman

MAGPIES: 1. Nicholas Walker 2. Cameron Hall 3. Omar Slaimankhel 4. Taufa Afu 5. Ethan Parry 25. Henry Raiwalui 7. Eli Levido 8. Adam Spicer 9. Ryan Pritchard 17. Brad Johnson 11. Awishkar Gnyawali 12. Kieran Hayman 13. Blake Cook 14. Thomas Bartley 10. Dayne Vette Welsh 16. Charles Shepherd 20. Brandon Shoveller 18. Niko Apelu

THIRROUL BUTCHERS v GLEBE-BURWOOD WOLVES

GIBSON PARK · SATURDAY 29 AUGUST 2020 · 3:10PM

Referee: Cameron Paddy; Sideline Officials: John Woods, Andrew Gilchrist

BUTCHERS: 1. Leigh Higgins 2. Dane Francis 3. Hayden Crossland 4. Cooper Bowen 5. Scott Galeano 6. Daniel Payne 7. Jack Payne 8. Riley Lord 9. Ryan Fletcher 10. Tim Grant 19. Jackson Shereb 12. Harry Leddy 13. Damian Sironen 11. Luke Gallagher 14. Connor Muhleisen 15. Julian Flego 16. Tom Simpson 18. Mitchell Lackersteen 20. Chris Slater-raptis

WOLVES: 1. Honeti Tuha 2. Lorenzo Mulitalo 3. John Olive 4. Vito Tévaga 5. Jonah Ngaronoa 6. Sitiveni Moceidreke 7. Liam Coleman 8. Wesley Lolo 9. Jackson Garlick 10. Thomas Hazelton 11. Matt Stimson 20. Kem Seru 21. Brock Gray 12. Ethan Natoli 15. Duwayne Mariner 16. Myles Taueli 23. Patrice Siolo 14. Trent Toelau

MAITLAND PICKERS v WESTS DEVILS

MAITLAND No. 1 SPORTS GROUND · SATURDAY 29 AUGUST 2020 · 3:30PM

Referee: Keiren Irons; Sideline Officials: Cameron Mitchell, Ben Teague

PICKERS: 1. Daniel Langbridge 2. Elijah Rasiga 3. Matthew Soper-Lawler 4. Gary Anderson 5. James Bradley 6. Chad O'donnell 7. Brock Lamb 8. Cooper Jenkins 9. Alex Langbridge 10. Jayden Butterfield 11. Marvin Filipo 12. Henry Penn 13. Callan Burgess 14. William Nieuwenhuise 15. Faitotoa Faitotoa 16. James Taylor 17. Gary Anderson

DEVILS: 1. Mitchell Porter 2. Michael Applebee 3. Cleveland McGhie 4. Colby Pellow 5. Lachlan Hurst 6. Kurt Aldridge 7. Justin Rodrigues 8. Matthew Delbanco 9. Jackson Walsh 10. Zachary Blay 11. Kyle Lodge 12. Joseph Dickson 13. Jalal Bazzaz 14. Blake Barbuto 16. Mitchell Barbuto 17. Ben Arandt 18. Daniel Zohar 19. Levi Pascoe

WESTERN RAMS v NORTH SYDNEY BEARS

CARRINGTON PARK · SUNDAY 30 AUGUST 2020 · 2PM

Referee: Jake Sutherland; Sideline Officials: Bradley Kiehne, Mitchell Stone

RAMS: TBC

BEARS: 1. Josh Bergamin 2. Sione Hopoate 3. James Tuitahi 4. Jordan Ah-One-Remfrey 5. Michael Pearsall 6. Coby Thomas 7. Tobias Westcott 8. Ben Thomas 9. Josh Daley 10. Elia Faatui 11. Edenn Rogers-Smith 12. Harrison Edwards 13. Thomas Freebairn 15. Luca Moretti 16. Brae Verheyen 17. Connagh Takairangi 18. Jacob Preston

BYE: HILLS BULLS

CRONULLA-CARINGBAH v SYDNEY UNIVERSITY

CRONULLA HIGH SCHOOL · SATURDAY 29 AUGUST 2020 · 3PM

Referee: Clayton Wills; Sideline Officials: Tom Stindl, Joseph Eid

SHARKS: 1. Callum Tutauha 2. Nesiasi Mataitonga 3. Brent Anderson 4. Jacob Gagan 5. Daniel Perkins 6. Kamren Cryer 7. Bailey Hayward 8. Tokerau Raru 9. Michael Lichaa 10. Hayden Fepuleai 11. Wiremu Peters 12. Mason Pure 13. Ryan King 14. Dean Bowen 15. Mathew Emery 24. Joey Tramontana

UNIVERSITY: 1. Kieran Wyld 2. Joel Kingham 26. Alvin Maungatti 4. Jayden El-jalkh 5. Isaac Rabuatoka 6. Ben Jackson 14. Josh Natoli 8. Khalil Rahme 28. Jack Boyling 29. Stefano Totidis 11. Mason McCarthy 12. Myles Fowler 30. Daniel Arahua 31. Augustine Stowers 32. Tristian Alvarado 33. Laurence Zarounas 34. Ali Saad 35. Ryan Dodson

EAST CAMPBELLTOWN EAGLES v HELENSBURGH TIGERS

WAMINDA OVAL · SUNDAY 30 AUGUST 2020 · 2:30PM

Referee: Daniel Luttringer; Sideline Officials: Nathan Loveday, Joel Mani

EAGLES: 1. Bailey Hughes 19. Sakarai Ratuvo 20. Alapati Potifara 16. Theo Leato 5. Samuel Kimi-loane 6. Brett Lahey 77. Shannon Gallant 10. Mason Talolia 13. John Da Silva 21. Kobe Chamberlain 17. Mavoni Tuifua 12. Grant Lahey 15. Luke Williams 8. Thomas Morrison 14. Dean Robson 78. Jarryd Eggleton 79. Felix Smith

TIGERS: 1. Zeik Foster 2. Adam Mortlock 3. Charly Runciman 4. Jordan Tongahai 5. William Russell 6. Max Batty 7. Harrison Geraghty 8. Benjamin Vitucci 9. James Russell 10. Pierce Thompson 11. Vincent Stowers 12. Ashleigh Nisbet 13. Kurt Atkinson 14. Liam O'toole 15. Jad Mahmoud 16. Tasmin Gilmour 17. Lachlan Peachey 18. Azan Turoa 19. Mitch Mcrae 20. Chris Coleman

MOOREBANK RAMS v WENTWORTHVILLE UNITED

HAMMONDVILLE OVAL · SUNDAY 30 AUGUST 2020 · 3PM

Referee: Mitchell Currie; Sideline Officials: Luke Saldern, Luke Heckendorf

RAMS: 21. Jake Horton 2. Zachary Rumble 3. Iverson Fuatimau 4. Kurtis Lamaro 5. Lane Carswell 6. Johnny Lee Gabrael 7. Christian Urso 17. Mosese Pope 9. Ryan Gray 12. Elvis John Oloaga 11. Chance Te Atua 22. Justin Filo 13. Vikilifi Hopoi 14. Jordan Mcgrath 15. Joshua Kalati 10. Jason Tuulau 19. Kurtis Morrin 16. Jazzaiah Schaafhausen

WENTY: 1. Joshua Hey 2. Obed Karwhin 4. Dominic Ayoub 5. Bilal Maarbani 3. Jack Jones 6. Eric Ruka 7. Lewis Habkoku 8. William Swann 9. Sam Carusi 10. Saimone Lasalo 11. Evander Swann 12. Saimone Lasalo 13. Sam Radovu 14. Jandamura Stewart 15. Julian King 16. Authur Tupou 18. Jeff Swann

RYDE-EASTWOOD HAWKS v BELROSE EAGLES

TG MILNER FIELD · SUNDAY 30 AUGUST 2020 · 3PM

Referee: Damian Brady; Sideline Officials: Patrick Mackey, Dillian Wells

HAWKS: 16. Angelo Panambalama 2. Joshua Rizk 3. Regan Hughes 4. Reggie Alofipo 5. Liam Scolari 6. Adam Rizk 7. Curtis Wilson 8. Langi Suli-Ruka 9. Blake Layton 10. Edward Carter 11. Justin Frain 12. Tyler Seymour 13. Angus McElroy 15. Callum Ellis 20. Joshua Suli-Ruka 18. Benjamin Fisiilose 19. Zac Vella 17. Joshua Boumelhem

EAGLES: 2. Jonathon Palau 3. Daniel Martin 4. Christian Bate 5. Issac Tremi 6. William Kelly 7. Zachary Nicholls 8. Steven Tavita 9. Judd Hanlon 10. Ilija Radan 12. Joshua Martin 13. Jamie Buhner 14. Ben Pickering 17. Andrew Layton 16. Cody Abrahams 19. Giuseppe Plati

BYE: HILLS BULLS

CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN BULLDOGS v CRONULLA-SUTHERLAND SHARKS

HAMMONDVILLE OVAL · SATURDAY 29 AUGUST 2020 · 3:30PM

Referee: Cameron Turner; Sideline Officials: Jimmy Oliveira, Paul Eden

BULLDOGS: 1. Haneen Zreika 2. Leanne Toomalatai 3. Josephine Bee 4. Rikeya Horne 5. Margot Vella 6. Mahinaarangi Rewi 7. Quincy Dodd 8. Stephanie Ball 9. Renee Targett 10. Maddison Weatherall 11. Grace Clarke 12. Sarah Togatuki 13. Samantha Economos 14. Grace Li 15. Jamilee Bright 16. Rarmia Karam 17. Abbi Church 19. Mareva Swann**SHARKS:** 1. Andie Robinson 2. Emma Walters 3. Jamie Anne Wright 4. Talei Holmes 5. Zali Fay 6. Corban McGregor 7. Maddie Studdon 8. Georgie Brooker 9. Keeley Davis 10. Oneata Schwalger 11. Georgia Page 12. Kennedy Cherrington 13. Kaarla Cowan 14. Tegan Dymock 15. Lavinia Taukamo 16. Brandi-lee Stainton Payne 17. Tia Hinds 18. Ariel George**CENTRAL COAST ROOSTERS v NORTH SYDNEY BEARS**

MORRY BREEN OVAL · SUNDAY 30 AUGUST 2020 · 12PM

Referee: Charlie Suters; Sideline Officials: Tobi Holder, Louis Matheson

ROOSTERS: 1. Isabelle Kelly 2. Yasmin Meakes 3. Jayme Fressard 4. Brydie Parker 5. Alicia Martin 6. Bobbi Law 7. Melanie Howard 8. Caitlan Johnston 9. Kylie Hilder 10. Tayla Predebon 11. Jocelyn Kelleher 12. Britney Duff 13. Hannah Southwell 14. Olivia Higgins 16. Olivia Kernick 17. Keilee Joseph 20. Madeline Jones**BEARS:** 1. Shanice Parker 2. Caitlin Keefe 3. Shontelle Stowers 4. Shenai Lendill 5. Tyla Gambell 6. Kirra Dibb 7. Sabrina Green 8. Josephine Maejiirs 9. Nita Maynard 10. Aliti Namece 11. Losena Qiolveu 12. Simaima Taufu 13. Nicole Backhouse 14. Talesha Quinn 15. Pier Pritchard 16. Lacey Shields 18. Moniqca Moale 17. Chloe Leaupepe 19. Mary Taupau**WESTS TIGERS v SOUTH SYDNEY RABBITOHS**

TG MILNER FIELD · SUNDAY 30 AUGUST 2020 · 1PM

Referee: Karra-lee Nolan; Sideline Officials: Paul Eden, Joseph Eid

TIGERS: 1. Botille Vette-Welsh 24. Patricia Raikadroka 4. Tia Cook 5. Christine Kani 6. Raecene McGregor 14. Naomi Kara 8. Awhina Akuhata 9. Tyler Pelligra 10. Kina Hanisi 17. Christian Pio 12. Taylor Osborne 13. Sophie Curtain 7. Emily Curtain 15. Filomina Hanisi 16. Janelle Williams 18. Tasia Seumanufagai 19. Stephanie Wilson 3. Ana Fekeila**RABBITOHS:** 1. Tahlia Hunter 2. Summer Dann 3. Nellie Bell 4. Monique Donovan 5. Regan Hart 6. Sarah Field 7. Arabella Mckenzie 8. Crystal Overton 9. Janaya Bent 10. Christine Pauli 11. Kyla Gordon 12. Ellie Johnston 13. Talia Lealaialoto 14. Ayesha Flood 15. Grace Uluiburotu 16. Alexis Mavrantonis 17. Billie Wood 18. Nikki Baird**BYE: WENTWORTHVILLE MAGPIES****NSWRL RESULTS****PRESIDENT'S CUP - ROUND 6****Wests Devils 18** (Michael Applebee, Jackson Walsh, Mitchell Porter tries; Kurt Aldridge 3 goals) drew with **Glebe-Burwood 18** (Kem Seru 2, Duwayne Mariner tries; Sitiveni Moceidreke 3 goals) at Sid Parrish Park**Wentworthville 24** (Ethan Parry 2, Cameron Hall, Henry Raiwalui, Nicholas Walker tries; Kieran Hayman 2 goals) def **Western Rams 6** (Nick Tilburg try; Brendan Hands 1 goal) at Glen Willow Stadium
Maitland 30 (Jayden Butterfield 2, Elijah Rasiga, Daniel Langbridge, Gary Anderson tries; Brock Lamb 4, Chad O'Donnell 1 goal) def **Thirroul 10** (Jackson Shereb, Julian Flego tries; Dane Francis 1 goal) at Gibson Park**North Sydney 24** (Sione Hopoate, Josh Bergamin, Michael Pearsall, Connagh Takairangi tries; Coby Thomas 4 goals) def **Hills Bulls 20** (Paea Pua, Maile Li, Lazarus Brown, Zach Dockar-Clay tries; Josh Lewis 1, Shannon Gardiner 1 goals) at Crestwood OvalBYE: **Dubbo CYMS****LADDER:** Pickers 12, Bears 10, Wolves 9, Devils 9, Butchers 8, Bulls 6, CYMS 4, Magpies 2, Rams 0**SYDNEY SHIELD - ROUND 6****Cronulla-Caringbah 24** (Bailey Hayward, Joe Tramontana, Brent Anderson, Callum Tutuauha tries; Kamren Cryer 4 goals) def **East Campbelltown 14** (Tevita Alifa, Shannon Gallant, Mavoni Tuifua tries; Shannon Gallant 1 goal) at Cronulla High School
Helensburgh 38 (Adam Mortlock 2, Charly Runciman 2, Vincent Stowers, Jordan Tongahai, William Russell, Ashleigh Nisbet tries; William Russell 3 goals) def **University 16** (Daniel Arahua, Tristan Arahua, Mason McCarthy tries; Daniel Arahua 2 goals) at Rex Jackson Oval**Belrose 34** (Steve Tavita 2, William Kelly, Beau Abrahams, Zach Nicholls, Judd Hanlon tries; William Kelly 5 goals) def **Hills Bulls 18** (Daylen Meredith, Jesse Parker, Mitch Hyde tries; Mitch Hyde 3 goals) at Crestwood Oval**Ryde-Eastwood 44** (Reggie Alofipo 3, Regan Hughes 3, Callum Ellis, Justin Frain, Blake Layton tries; Josh Rizk 4 goals) def **Wenty Utd 6** (Jandamura Stewart tries; Dominic Ayoub 1 goal) at TG Milner FieldBYE: **Moorebank Rams****LADDER:** Belrose 11, Hawks 10, Sharks 8, Rams 7, Bulls 7, Tigers 6, University 5, ECE 3, Wenty 1**HARVEY NORMAN WOMEN'S PREMIERSHIP - ROUND 6****North Sydney 32** (Shontelle Stowers 3, Nita Maynard, Shenai Lendill, Shanice Parker, Tyla Gambell tries; Kirra Dibb 2 goals) def **South Sydney 0** at Erskineville Oval**Central Coast 22** (Jayme Fressard 2, Caitlan Johnston, Brydie Parker tries; Mel Howard 3 goals) def **Cronulla-Sutherland 6** (Keeley Davis try; Maddie Studdon 1 goal) at Cronulla High School**Wests Tigers 24** (Janelle Williams, Naomi Kara, Emily Curtain, Christian Pio tries; Emily Curtain 4 goals) def **Wentworthville 0** at NSWRL Centre of ExcellenceBYE: **Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs****LADDER:** Roosters 11, Sharks 10, Bears 7, Tigers 7, Bulldogs 6, Rabbitohs 6, Magpies 1

2020 Draw

NRL Telstra Premiership

ROUND 1

Thu 8:05pm
Fri 6:00pm
Fri 8:05pm
Sat 3:00pm
Sat 5:30pm
Sat 7:35pm
Sun 4:05pm
Sun 6:15pm

MARCH 12-15

Eels v Bulldogs
Raiders v Titans
Cowboys v Broncos
Knights v Warriors
Rabbitohs v Sharks
Panthers v Roosters
Sea Eagles v Storm
Dragons v Tigers
Bankwest 8-2
GIO 24-6
Townsville 21-28
MJS 20-0
ANZ 22-18
Panthers 20-14
Lottoland 4-18
WIN 14-24

ROUND 2

Thu 8:05pm
Fri 6:00pm
Fri 8:05pm
Sat 3:00pm
Sat 5:30pm
Sat 7:35pm
Sun 4:05pm
Sun 6:15pm

MARCH 19-22

Bulldogs v Cowboys
Dragons v Panthers
Broncos v Rabbitohs
Warriors v Raiders
Roosters v Sea Eagles
Sharks v Storm
Tigers v Knights
Titans v Eels
ANZ 16-24
Kogarah 28-32
Suncorp 22-18
Cbus Super 6-20
Leichhardt 8-9
Kogarah 10-12
Leichhardt 24-42
Cbus Super 6-46

PREMIERSHIP SUSPENDED MARCH 23 to MAY 27 due to COVID-19 restrictions

ROUND 3

Thu 7:50pm
Fri 6:00pm
Fri 7:55pm
Sat 3:00pm
Sat 5:30pm
Sat 7:35pm
Sun 4:05pm
Sun 6:30pm

MAY 28-31

Broncos v Eels
Cowboys v Titans
Roosters v Rabbitohs
Warriors v Raiders
Sharks v Tigers
Storm v Raiders
Panthers v Knights
Sea Eagles v Bulldogs
Suncorp 6-34
Townsville 36-6
Bankwest 28-12
Gosford 18-0
Bankwest 16-28
AAMI 6-22
C'town 14-14
Gosford 32-6

ROUND 4

Thu 7:50pm
Fri 6:00pm
Fri 7:55pm
Sat 5:30pm
Sat 7:35pm
Sun 4:05pm
Sun 6:30pm
Mon 4:05pm

JUNE 4-8

Broncos v Roosters
Panthers v Warriors
Storm v Rabbitohs
Eels v Sea Eagles
Cowboys v Sharks
Raiders v Knights
Titans v Tigers
Bulldogs v Dragons
Queen's Birthday
Suncorp 0-59
C'town 26-0
AAMI 22-8
Bankwest 19-16
Townsville 16-26
C'town 18-34
Suncorp 28-23
Bankwest 22-2

ROUND 5

Thu 7:50pm
Fri 6:00pm
Fri 7:55pm
Sat 3:00pm
Sat 5:30pm
Sat 7:35pm
Sun 4:05pm
Mon 7:00pm

JUNE 11-15

Sea Eagles v Broncos
Warriors v Cowboys
Eels v Panthers
Rabbitohs v Titans
Knights v Storm
Tigers v Raiders
Dragons v Sharks
Bulldogs v Roosters
Gosford 20-18
Gosford 37-26
Bankwest 16-10
Bankwest 32-12
Gosford 12-26
C'town 6-14
C'town 30-16
Bankwest 6-42

ROUND 6

Thu 7:50pm
Fri 6:00pm
Fri 7:55pm
Sat 3:00pm
Sat 5:30pm
Sat 7:35pm
Sun 4:05pm
Sun 6:30pm

JUNE 18-21

Knights v Broncos
Rabbitohs v Warriors
Panthers v Storm
Titans v Dragons
Tigers v Cowboys
Roosters v Eels
Raiders v Sea Eagles
Sharks v Bulldogs
Beanies for Brain Cancer Round
Gosford 27-6
Bankwest 40-12
C'town 21-14
Suncorp 8-20
C'town 36-20
Bankwest 24-10
C'town 6-14
Bankwest 20-18

ROUND 7

Thu 7:50pm
Fri 6:00pm
Fri 7:55pm
Sat 3:00pm
Sat 5:30pm
Sat 7:35pm
Sun 4:05pm
Sun 6:30pm

JUNE 25-29

Panthers v Rabbitohs
Storm v Warriors
Roosters v Dragons
Cowboys v Knights
Broncos v Titans
Eels v Raiders
Sea Eagles v Sharks
Bulldogs v Tigers
Kogarah 20-12
Kogarah 50-6
Bankwest 26-12
Townsville 32-20
Suncorp 12-30
Bankwest 25-24
Gosford 22-40
Bankwest 6-34

ROUND 8

Thu 7:50pm
Fri 6:00pm
Fri 7:55pm
Sat 3:00pm
Sat 5:30pm
Sat 7:35pm
Sun 4:05pm
Sun 6:30pm

JULY 2-5

Storm v Roosters
Raiders v Dragons
Eels v Cowboys
Titans v Sharks
Warriors v Broncos
Tigers v Panthers
Sea Eagles v Knights
Bulldogs v Rabbitohs
Suncorp 27-25
GIO 22-16
Bankwest 42-4
Cbus Super 10-40
Gosford 26-16
Bankwest 12-19
Lottoland 12-14
Bankwest 10-26

ROUND 9

Thu 7:50pm
Fri 6:00pm
Fri 7:55pm
Sat 3:00pm
Sat 5:30pm
Sat 7:35pm
Sun 4:05pm
Sun 6:30pm

JULY 9-12

Cowboys v Roosters
Titans v Warriors
Rabbitohs v Tigers
Sharks v Panthers
Broncos v Bulldogs
Raiders v Storm
Knights v Eels
Dragons v Sea Eagles
Townsville 16-42
Cbus Super 16-12
Bankwest 18-10
Kogarah 24-56
Suncorp 26-8
GIO 14-20
MJS 4-10
Kogarah 34-4

ROUND 10

Thu 7:50pm
Fri 6:00pm
Fri 7:55pm
Sat 3:00pm
Sat 5:30pm
Sat 7:35pm
Sun 2:00pm
Sun 4:05pm

JULY 16-19

Roosters v Raiders
Storm v Titans
Tigers v Broncos
Dragons v Bulldogs
Rabbitohs v Knights
Sea Eagles v Eels
Warriors v Sharks
Panthers v Cowboys
SCG 20-24
S. Coast 42-6
Leichhardt 48-0
WIN 28-22
Bankwest 18-20
Lottoland 22-18
Gosford 10-46
Panthers 22-10

ROUND 11

Thu 7:50pm
Fri 6:00pm
Fri 7:55pm
Sat 3:00pm
Sat 5:30pm
Sat 7:35pm
Sun 2:00pm
Sun 4:05pm

JULY 23-26

Eels v Tigers
Cowboys v Sea Eagles
Broncos v Storm
Warriors v Roosters
Sharks v Dragons
Raiders v Rabbitohs
Knights v Bulldogs
Titans v Panthers
Bankwest 26-16
QCBS 12-24
Suncorp 8-46
Gosford 10-18
Kogarah 28-24
GIO 18-12
MJS 12-18
Cbus Super 14-22

ROUND 12

Thu 7:50pm
Fri 6:00pm
Fri 7:55pm
Sat 3:00pm
Sat 5:30pm
Sat 7:35pm
Sun 2:00pm
Sun 4:05pm

JULY 30-AUGUST 2

Dragons v Rabbitohs
Tigers v Warriors
Broncos v Sharks
Roosters v Titans
Cowboys v Raiders
Sea Eagles v Panthers
Bulldogs v Eels
Storm v Knights
Indigenous Round
Kogarah 24-32
SCG 20-26
Suncorp 26-36
SCG 18-12
Townsville 12-14
Lottoland 12-42
ANZ 16-18
S. Coast 26-16

ROUND 13

Thu 7:50pm
Fri 6:00pm
Fri 7:55pm
Sat 3:00pm
Sat 5:30pm
Sat 7:35pm
Sun 2:00pm
Sun 4:05pm

AUGUST 6-9

Dragons v Roosters
Sea Eagles v Warriors
Rabbitohs v Broncos
Storm v Bulldogs
Knights v Tigers
Panthers v Raiders
Titans v Cowboys
Sharks v Eels
WIN 16-24
Lottoland 22-26
ANZ 28-10
S. Coast 41-10
MJS 44-4
Panthers 28-12
Cbus Super 30-10
Kogarah 12-14

ROUND 14

Thu 7:50pm
Fri 6:00pm
Fri 7:55pm
Sat 3:00pm
Sat 5:30pm
Sat 7:35pm
Sun 2:00pm
Sun 4:05pm

AUGUST 13-16

Roosters v Storm
Warriors v Panthers
Eels v Dragons
Sharks v Titans
Cowboys v Rabbitohs
Raiders v Broncos
Knights v Sea Eagles
Tigers v Bulldogs
SCG 6-24
Gosford 12-18
Bankwest 12-14
Kogarah 30-18
Townsville 30-31
GIO 36-8
MJS 26-24
Bankwest 29-28

ROUND 15
 Thu 7:50pm
 Fri 6:00pm
 Fri 7:55pm
 Sat 3:00pm
 Sat 5:30pm
 Sat 7:35pm
 Sun 2:00pm
 Sun 4:05pm

AUGUST 20-23
 Eels v Storm
 Panthers v Sharks
 Broncos v Dragons
 Titans v Raiders
 Tigers v Roosters
 Rabbitohs v Sea Eagles
 Bulldogs v Warriors
 Knights v Cowboys

Bankwest 14-0
 Panthers 38-12
 Suncorp 24-26
 Cbus Super 16-36
 Leichhardt 16-38
 ANZ 56-16
 ANZ 14-20
 MJS 12-0

ROUND 20
 Thu 7:50pm
 Fri 6:00pm
 Fri 7:55pm
 Sat 3:00pm
 Sat 5:30pm
 Sat 7:35pm
 Sun 2:00pm
 Sun 4:05pm

SEPTEMBER 24-27
 Broncos v Cowboys
 Titans v Knights
 Rabbitohs v Roosters
 Bulldogs v Panthers
 Sharks v Raiders
 Tigers v Eels
 Warriors v Sea Eagles
 Dragons v Storm

Suncorp Stadium
 Cbus Super Stadium
 ANZ Stadium
 ANZ Stadium
 Netstrata Jubilee Stadium
 Bankwest or Campbelltown*
 Central Coast Stadium*
 Netstrata Jubilee Stadium*

ROUND 16
 Thu 7:50pm
 Fri 6:00pm
 Fri 7:55pm
 Sat 3:00pm
 Sat 5:30pm
 Sat 7:35pm
 Sun 4:05pm
 Sun 6:30pm

AUGUST 27-30
 Eels v Rabbitohs
 Dragons v Titans
 Roosters v Broncos
 Warriors v Knights
 Sharks v Cowboys
 Panthers v Tigers
 Storm v Sea Eagles
 Raiders v Bulldogs

Bankwest Stadium
 Netstrata Jubilee Stadium
 Sydney Cricket Ground
 Scully Park, Tamworth
 Netstrata Jubilee Stadium
 Panthers Stadium
 Sunshine Coast Stadium
 GIO Stadium Canberra

2020 NRL TELSTRA PREMIERSHIP FINALS SERIES

WEEK 1
 Day/Time TBC
 Day/Time TBC
 Day/Time TBC
 Day/Time TBC

OCTOBER 2-4
 QF 1 1 v 4
 QF 2 2 v 3
 EF 1 5 v 8
 EF 2 6 v 7

Qualifying & Elimination Finals
 Venue TBC
 Venue TBC
 Venue TBC
 Venue TBC

WEEK 2
 Day/Time TBC
 Day/Time TBC

OCTOBER 9-10
 SF 1 L QF 1 v W EF 1
 SF 2 L QF 2 v W EF 2

Semi Finals
 Venue TBC
 Venue TBC

WEEK 3
 Day/Time TBC
 Day/Time TBC

OCTOBER 16-17
 PF 1 W QF 1 v W SF 2
 PF 2 W QF 2 v W SF 1

Preliminary Finals
 Venue TBC
 Venue TBC

GRAND FINAL
 Sun, Time TBC

OCTOBER 25
 W PF 1 v W PF 2

Venue TBC

ROUND 17
 Thu 7:50pm
 Fri 6:00pm
 Fri 7:55pm
 Sat 3:00pm
 Sat 5:30pm
 Sat 7:35pm
 Sun 4:05pm
 Sun 6:30pm

SEPTEMBER 3-6
 Broncos v Panthers
 Knights v Sharks
 Rabbitohs v Storm
 Cowboys v Dragons
 Sea Eagles v Tigers
 Raiders v Roosters
 Warriors v Eels
 Bulldogs v Titans

Suncorp Stadium
 McDonald Jones Stadium
 ANZ Stadium
 QLD Country Bank Stadium
 Lottoland
 GIO Stadium Canberra
 Central Coast Stadium
 ANZ Stadium

ROUND 18
 Thu 7:50pm
 Fri 6:00pm
 Fri 7:55pm
 Sat 3:00pm
 Sat 5:30pm
 Sat 7:35pm
 Sun 4:05pm
 Sun 6:30pm

SEPTEMBER 10-13
 Tigers v Rabbitohs
 Bulldogs v Sea Eagles
 Panthers v Eels
 Dragons v Raiders
 Titans v Broncos
 Roosters v Knights
 Storm v Cowboys
 Sharks v Warriors

Bankwest Stadium
 ANZ Stadium
 Panthers Stadium
 WIN Stadium
 Cbus Super Stadium
 Sydney Cricket Ground
 Sunshine Coast Stadium
 Netstrata Jubilee Stadium

ROUND 19
 Thu 7:50pm
 Fri 6:00pm
 Fri 7:55pm
 Sat 3:00pm
 Sat 5:30pm
 Sat 7:35pm
 Sun 2:00pm
 Sun 4:05pm

SEPTEMBER 17-20
 Rabbitohs v Bulldogs
 Cowboys v Panthers
 Eels v Broncos
 Sea Eagles v Titans
 Storm v Tigers
 Roosters v Sharks
 Raiders v Warriors
 Knights v Dragons

ANZ Stadium
 QLD Country Bank Stadium
 Bankwest Stadium
 Lottoland
 Sunshine Coast Stadium
 Sydney Cricket Ground
 GIO Stadium Canberra
 McDonald Jones Stadium

2020 STATE OF ORIGIN SERIES

GAME 1
 Wed
GAME 2
 Wed
WOMEN'S
 Fri
GAME 3
 Wed

NOVEMBER 4
 QLD v NSW
NOVEMBER 11
 NSW v QLD
NOVEMBER 13
 NSW v QLD
NOVEMBER 18
 QLD v NSW

Venue TBC
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Wigan Warriors v Castleford Tigers

SATURDAY 29 AUGUST 2020; 4:15PM BST; HALLIWELL JONES STADIUM, WARRINGTON

Referee: James Child; Touch Judges: Tom Grant & Tony Martin; Video Referee: Chris Kendall

WIGAN: 1 Zak Hardaker, 2 Liam Marshall, 3 Chris Hankinson, 4 Oliver Gildart, 5 Joe Burgess, 6 Bevan French, 7 Thomas Leuluai, 8 Tony Clubb, 9 Sam Powell, 10 George Burgess, 11 Willie Isa, 12 Liam Farrell, 13 Sean O'Loughlin (c), 14 Ben Flower, 15 Joe Greenwood, 16 Morgan Smithies, 17 Oliver Partington, 19 Joe Bullock, 20 Liam Byrne, 21 Dominic Manfredi, 22 Mitch Clark, 23 Jake Bibby, 27 Jake Shorrocks, 28 Harry Smith, 29 Jack Wells, 30 Ethan Havard, 31 Jackson Hastings, 32 Amir Bourouh, 33 Joe Shorrocks, 34 Kai Pearce-Paul, 35 Sam Halsall; COACH: Adrian LAM

CASTLEFORD: 2 Derrell Olpherts, 3 Peter Mata'utia, 4 Michael Shenton (c), 5 Sosaia Feki, 6 Jake Trueman, 7 Danny Richardson, 8 Liam Watts, 9 Paul McShane, 10 Grant Millington, 11 Oliver Holmes, 12 Mike McMeeken, 13 Adam Milner, 14 Nathan Massey, 15 Jesse Sene-Lefao, 16 George Griffin, 17 Alex Foster, 18 Cheyse Blair, 19 Daniel Smith, 20 Junior Moors, 21 James Clare, 22 Jacques O'Neill, 23 Matt Cook, 24 Tyler Hepi, 25 Greg Eden, 26 Calum Turner, 27 Lewis Peachey, 28 Brad Graham, 29 Joe Summers, 30 Robbie Storey; COACH: Daryl POWELL

Leeds Rhinos v Salford Red Devils

SATURDAY 29 AUGUST 2020; 6:30PM BST; HALLIWELL JONES STADIUM, WARRINGTON

Referee: Liam Moore; Touch Judges: Dean Bowmer & Clint Sharrad; Video Referee: Ben Thaler

LEEDS: 1 Jack WALKER, 2 Tom Briscoe, 3 Harry Newman, 4 Konrad Hurrell, 5 Ash Handley, 6 Robert Lui, 7 Luke Gale, 8 Ava Seumanufagai, 9 Kruike Leeming, 10 Matt Prior, 11 Alex Mellor, 12 Rhyse Martin, 13 Stevie Ward, 14 Brad Dwyer, 15 Liam Sutcliffe, 16 Richie Myler, 17 Adam Cuthbertson, 18 Dom Crosby, 19 Mikolaj Olędzki, 21 Rhys Evans, 22 Cameron Smith, 23 Callum McLelland, 24 Luke Briscoe, 25 James Donaldson, 26 Alex Sutcliffe, 27 Sam Walters, 28 Tom Holroyd, 30 Muizz Mustapha, 32 Tyler Dupree, 33 Jarrod O'Connor, 34 Jack Broadbent, 35 Corey Hall; COACH: Richard AGAR

SALFORD: 1 Niall Evalds, 2 Ed Chamberlain, 3 Kris Welham, 4 Dan Sarginson, 5 Krisnan Inu, 6 Tui Lolohea, 7 Kevin Brown, 8 Lee Mossop, 9 Joey Lussick, 10 Gil Dudson, 11 Ryan Lannon, 12 Pauli Pauli, 13 Tyrone McCarthy, 14 Sebastine Ikaiahifo, 16 Greg Burke, 17 Luke Yates, 18 Chris Atkin, 19 Mark Flanagan, 20 Josh Johnson, 21 James Greenwood, 22 Rhys Williams, 23 Ken Sio, 24 Elliot Kear, 25 Connor Jones, 26 Jack Ormondroyd; Coach: Ian WATSON

Hull KR v St Helens

SUNDAY 30 AUGUST 2020; 1:00PM BST; HALLIWELL JONES STADIUM, WARRINGTON

Referee: Scott Mikalauskas; Touch Judges: Robert Hicks & Gareth Jones; Video Referee: Tom Grant

HULL KR: 1 Adam Quinlan, 2 Ben Crooks, 3 Shaun Kenny Dowall, 4 Kane Linnett, 5 Greg Minikin, 8 Jordan Abdull, 8 Robbie Mulhern, 9 Matt Parcell, 11 Weller Hauraki, 12 Harvey Livett, 13 Dean Hadley, 14 Mitch Garbutt, 15 George Lawler, 16 Daniel Murray, 17 Kyle Trout, 18 Jez Litten, 19 Will Dagger, 20 Mikey Lewis, 21 Owen Harrison, 22 Nick Rawsthorne, 23 Ethan Ryan, 24 Joe Keyes, 25 Matty Gee, 26 Will Maher, 27 Elliott Minchella, 28 Matthew Storton, 29 Anesuu Mudoti, 30 Jamie Ellis, 31 Ryan Brierley; COACH: Tony SMITH

ST HELENS: 1 Lachlan Coote, 2 Tommy Makinson, 3 Kevin Naiqama, 4 Mark Percival, 5 Regan Grace, 6 Jonny Lomax, 7 Theo Fages, 8 Alex Walmsley, 9 James Roby, 11 Zeb Taia, 12 Dominique Peyroux, 13 Louie McCarthy-Scarsbrook, 14 Morgan Knowles, 15 Matty Lees, 16 Kyle Amor, 17 Jack Ashworth, 18 Joseph Paulo, 19 Aaron Smith, 20 James Bentley, 21 Matty Costello, 22 Jack Welsby, 23 Joe Batchelor, 24 Josh Eaves, 25 Callum Hazzard, 26 Josh Simm, 27 Lewis Dodd, 28 Nico Rizzelli, 29 Matthew Foster, 30 Tom Nisbet, 31 Jake Wingfield, 32 James Graham; COACH: Kristian WOOLF

Huddersfield Giants v Hull FC

SUNDAY 30 AUGUST 2020; 4:15PM BST; HALLIWELL JONES STADIUM, WARRINGTON

Referee: Chris Kendall; Touch Judges: James Child & Cameron Worsley; Video Referee: Ben Thaler

HUDDERSFIELD: 1 Ashton Golding, 2 Jermaine McGillvary, 3 Jacob Wardle, 4 Jordan Turner, 5 Darnell McIntosh, 6 Lee Gaskell, 7 Aiden Sezer, 8 James Gavet, 9 Adam O'Brien, 10 Suaia Matagi, 11 Kenny Edwards, 12 Joe Wardle, 13 Michael Lawrence, 14 Matty English, 15 Oliver Wilson, 16 Aaron Murphy, 17 Ukuma Ta'ai, 18 Paul Clough, 19 Akuila Uate, 21 Leroy Cudjoe, 22 Tom Holmes, 23 Oliver Russell, 24 Louis Senior, 25 Innes Senior, 26 Sam Hewitt, 27 Sam Wood, 28 Adam Walne, 29 Jon Luke Kirby, 30 Reiss Butterworth, 31 Chester Butler, 32 Owen Trout, 33 Dominic Young; COACH: Simon WOOLFORD

HULL FC: 1 Jamie Shaul, 2 Bureta Faraimo, 3 Carlos Tuimavave, 4 Josh Griffin, 5 Adam Swift, 6 Jake Connor, 7 Marc Sneyd, 8 Scott Taylor, 9 Danny Houghton, 10 Chris Satae, 11 Josh Jones, 12 Manu Ma'u, 13 Ligi Sao, 14 Albert Kelly, 15 Joe Cator, 16 Jordan Johnstone, 19 Masi Matongo, 20 Brad Fash, 21 Jordan Lane, 22 Josh Bowden, 23 Andre Savelio, 24 Mahe Fonua, 25 Connor Wynne, 26 Kieran Buchanan, 27 Liam Harris, 28 Lewis Bienek, 29 Gareth Ellis, 30 Jack Brown, 31 Cameron Scott, 33 Ratu Naulago; COACH: Andy LAST

Warrington Wolves v Wakefield Trinity

SUNDAY 30 AUGUST 2020; 6:30PM BST; HALLIWELL JONES STADIUM, WARRINGTON

Referee: Marcus Griffiths; Touch Judges: Jonathan Roberts & Jack Smith; Video Referee: Liam Moore

WARRINGTON: 1 Stefan Ratchford, 2 Tom Lineham, 3 Anthony Gelling, 4 Toby King, 5 Josh Charnley, 6 Blake Austin, 7 Gareth Widdop, 8 Chris Hill, 9 Daryl Clark, 10 Mike Cooper, 11 Ben Currie, 12 Jack Hughes, 13 Ben Murdoch-Masila, 14 Jason Clark, 15 Joe Philbin, 16 Leilani Latu, 17 Jake Mamo, 18 Sitaleki Akauola, 19 Matt Davis, 20 Danny Walker, 21 Declan Patton, 22 Luis Johnson, 23 Luther Burrell, 24 Keanan Brand, 25 Samy Kibula, 26 Matty Ashton, 27 Ellis Robson, 28 Nathan Roebuck, 29 Josh Thewlis, 30 Riley Dean; COACH: Steve PRICE

WAKEFIELD: 1 Alex Walker, 2 Tom Johnstone, 3 Bill Tupou, 4 Reece Lyne, 5 Ben Jones-Bishop, 6 Jacob Miller (c), 7 Danny Brough, 8 David Fifita, 9 Kyle Wood, 10 Tinirau Arona, 11 Matty Ashurst, 12 Danny Kirmond, 13 Joe Westerman, 14 Jay Pitts, 15 Craig Kopczak, 16 James Batchelor, 17 Chris Green, 18 Adam Tangata, 19 Jordan Crowther, 20 Joe Arundel, 21 Max Jowitt, 22 George King, 23 Josh Wood, 24 Jack Croft, 25 Brad Walker, 26 Titus Gwaze, 27 Lee Kershaw, 28 Ryan Atkins, 29 Ryan Hampshire, 30 Yusuf Aydin, 31 Connor Bailey, 32 Ollie Greensmith, 36 Kelepi Tanginoa, 37 Romain Navarrete; COACH: Chris CHESTER

Super League Table

2020 Betfred Super League standings after Round 9

Pos	Team	P	W	L	D	F	A	+/-	Pts
1	Wigan Warriors	8	6	2	0	191	114	77	12
2	St Helens	8	5	3	0	196	91	105	10
3	Catalans Dragons	7	5	2	0	216	141	75	10
4	Warrington Wolves	8	5	3	0	143	110	33	10
5	Huddersfield Giants	7	4	3	0	132	124	8	8
6	Leeds Rhinos	7	4	3	0	151	150	1	8
7	Castleford Tigers	8	4	4	0	144	144	0	8
8	Hull FC	8	3	5	0	163	230	-67	6
9	Salford Red Devils	7	2	5	0	124	166	-42	4
10	Wakefield Trinity	7	2	5	0	115	190	-75	4
11	Hull KR	7	1	6	0	94	209	-115	2

Note: Toronto Wolfpack withdrew from competition - all results and scores expunged.

Stats leaders

after Round 9 of Betfred Super league

TOP TRYSCORERS

1	Ben CROOKS (ROVERS)	8
	Ken SIO (Devils)	8
3	Tom LINEHAM (Wolves)	7
	Bevan FRENCH (Warriors)	7
5	Darrell OLPHERTS (Tigers)	6
	Niall EVALDS (Devils)	6
	Tom JOHNSTONE (Trinity)	6

TOP GOALKICKERS

1	James MALONEY (Dragons)	32/40	80%
2	Zak HARDAKER (Warriors)	30/40	75%
	Danny RICHARDSON (Tigers)	30/40	75%
4	Stefan RATCHFORD (Wolves)	28/36	78%
5	Marc SNEYD (Hull)	26/33	79%

TOP POINTSCORERS

	T	G	FG	Pts	
1	James MALONEY (Dragons)	2	32	-	72
2	Danny RICHARDSON (Tigers)	1	30	-	64
	Stefan RATCHFORD (Wolves)	2	28	-	64
	Zak HARDAKER (Warriors)	1	30	-	64
5	Marc SNEYD (Hull FC)	1	26	1	59

Challenge Cup scoresheet

Scores, scorers, match details from Coral Challenge Cup Sixth Round

Catalans 36 (David Mead 3, Fouad Yaha, Benjamin Garcia, Matt Whitley tries; James Maloney 6 goals) def **Wakefield 24** (Jay Pitts 2, Tinarau Arona, Jacob Miller tries; Ryan Hampshire 4 goals). Venue: John Smith's Stadium; Date: Saturday 22 August 2020, 2:30pm BST; Referee: Chris Kendall; Touch Judges: Liam Moore, Tom Grant; Video Referee: James Child

Challenge Cup update

The RFL and the BBC can confirm a new schedule of televised ties in September.

The outstanding Sixth Round tie between Castleford Tigers and Hull FC, which had been due to be played today but was postponed following the positive Covid-19 tests at Hull FC, will now be played on Sunday September 13, with a 3pm kick-off, live on the BBC. (Channel Details to follow)

The BBC have selected two Quarter Finals for live coverage the following weekend, both on Saturday September 19: the holders,

Warrington Wolves, against the team they beat in last year's Wembley Final, St Helens, kicking off at 230pm with live coverage on BBC One; followed by Wigan Warriors against the winners of the Castleford-Hull FC Sixth Round tie at 5pm with live coverage on BBC Two.

Venues for the three ties, and details of the remaining quarter finals – Leeds Rhinos versus Hull Kingston Rovers, and the winners of today's Catalans-Wakefield tie against Salford Red Devils – will be confirmed as soon as possible.

The Semi Finals are scheduled for Saturday October 3, and the Final for Saturday October 17 – again, with venues to be confirmed as soon as possible.

2020 Super League

ROUND 1	JANUARY 30-FEBRUARY 2		
Thu 7:45pm	Wigan v Warrington	DW	16-10
Fri 7:45pm	St Helens v Salford	TWS	48-8
	Hull KR v Wakefield	HCCP	30-12
Sat 5:00pm	Catalans v Huddersfield	SGB	12-32
Sun 4:45pm	Leeds v Hull FC	EHS	4-30

ROUND 2	FEBRUARY 6-9		
Thu 7:45pm	Warrington v St Helens	HJS	19-0
Fri 7:45pm	Castleford v Wigan	MHJ	16-12
	Hull FC v Hull KR	KCOM	25-16

ROUND 3	FEBRUARY 13-16		
Fri 7:45pm	Leeds v Hull KR	EHS	52-10
	Salford v Huddersfield	AJB	10-12
Sat 5:00pm	Catalans v Castleford	SGB	36-18
Sun 3:00pm	Hull FC v St Helens	KCOM	18-32
	Wakefield v Warrington	MRS	18-8

ROUND 4	FEBRUARY 21-23		
Fri 7:45pm	Castleford v Wakefield	MHJ	32-15
	Hull KR v Huddersfield	HCCP	4-22
Sat 2:00pm	Salford v Leeds	AJB	8-22
Sun 3:00pm	Wigan v Hull FC	DW	26-12

ROUND 5	FEBRUARY 27-MARCH 1		
Thu 7:45pm	Hull KR v Castleford	HCCP	8-28
Fri 7:45pm	Leeds v Warrington	EHS	36-0
Sun 3:00pm	Hull FC v Catalans	KCOM	29-34
	Huddersfield v Wigan	JSS	10-42
	Salford v Wakefield	AJB	12-22

ROUND 6	MARCH 5-8		
Fri 7:45pm	St Helens v Huddersfield	TWS	10-12
	Wakefield v Hull FC	MRS	26-27
	Warrington v Castleford	HJS	9-8
Sat 5:00pm	Catalans v Salford	SGB	30-14
Sun 3:00pm	Wigan v Hull KR	DW	30-16

ROUND 7	MARCH 12-15		
Thu 7:45pm	Hull FC v Warrington	KCOM	4-38
Fri 7:45pm	Salford v Wigan	AJB	18-14
Sun 3:00pm	Castleford v St Helens	MHJ	28-14

SUPER LEAGUE SEASON SUSPENDED MAR 17 - AUGUST 1 due to COVID-19 restrictions: Toronto Wolfpack withdrew from competition. Teams listed to play them in remaining fixtures will not play matches. Toronto's previous results are removed.

REARRANGED	AUGUST 2		
Sun 4:15pm	St Helens v Catalans	EHS	34-6
Sun 6:30pm	Huddersfield v Leeds	EHS	26-27

ROUND 8	AUGUST 8-9		
Sat 4:15pm	Castleford v Catalans	EHS	14-40
Sat 6:30pm	Warrington v Hull KR	EHS	40-10
Sun 1:00pm	Salford v Hull FC	EHS	54-18
Sun 3:15pm	Wakefield v Wigan	EHS	22-23
Sun 6:30pm	Leeds v St Helens	EHS	0-48

ROUND 9	AUGUST 15-16		
Sat 4:15pm	Wakefield v Catalans	TWS	0-58
Sat 6:30pm	Huddersfield v Warrington	TWS	18-19
Sun 4:15pm	St Helens v Castleford	TWS	10-0
Sun 6:30pm	Wigan v Leeds	TWS	28-10

ROUND 10	AUGUST 29-30		
Sat 4:15pm	Wigan v Castleford	Halliwel Jones Stadium	
Sat 6:30pm	Leeds v Salford	Halliwel Jones Stadium	
Sun 1:00pm	Hull KR v St Helens	Halliwel Jones Stadium	
Sun 4:15pm	Huddersfield v Hull FC	Halliwel Jones Stadium	
Sun 6:30pm	Warrington v Wakefield	Halliwel Jones Stadium	

ROUND 11	SEPTEMBER 3-4		
Thu 2:30pm	Salford v Castleford	Emerald Headingley	
Thu 6:00pm	Hull KR v Wigan	Emerald Headingley	
Thu 8:15pm	Wakefield v Leeds	Emerald Headingley	
Fri 6:00pm	Huddersfield v St Helens	Emerald Headingley	
Fri 8:15pm	Warrington v Hull FC	Emerald Headingley	

REARRANGED	SEPTEMBER 7		
Mon 6:15pm	Catalans v Leeds	Stade Gilbert Brutus	

ROUND 12	SEPTEMBER 10-12		
Thu 6:00pm	Hull FC v Wakefield	Totally Wicked Stadium	
Thu 8:15pm	Castleford v Warrington	Totally Wicked Stadium	
Fri 6:00pm	St Helens v Hull KR	Totally Wicked Stadium	
Fri 8:15pm	Leeds v Huddersfield	Totally Wicked Stadium	
Sat 5:00pm	Catalans v Wigan	Stade Gilbert Brutus	

ROUND 13	SEPTEMBER 24-25		
	Castleford v Huddersfield	Venue TBC	
	Hull KR v Leeds	Venue TBC	
	Warrington v Catalans	Venue TBC	
	Hull FC v Salford	Venue TBC	
	Wigan v Wakefield	Venue TBC	

ROUND 14	SEPTEMBER 30		
	Castleford v Hull FC	Venue TBC	
	Leeds v Catalans	Venue TBC	
	Huddersfield v Hull KR	Venue TBC	
	Salford v Warrington	Venue TBC	
	Wigan v St Helens	Venue TBC	

ROUND 15	OCTOBER 8-9		
Fri 6:15pm	Catalans v Hull KR	Stade Gilbert Brutus	
	Leeds v Castleford	Venue TBC	
	Wakefield v St Helens	Venue TBC	
	Huddersfield v Salford	Venue TBC	
	Warrington v Wigan	Venue TBC	

ROUND 16	OCTOBER 14		ROUND 20	NOVEMBER 5-6	
Wed 6:15pm	Catalans v Wakefield	Stade Gilbert Brutus		Castleford v Leeds	Venue TBC
	Hull KR v Salford	Venue TBC		Wakefield v Salford	Venue TBC
	Hull FC v Huddersfield	Venue TBC	Thu 6:15pm	Catalans v St Helens	Stade Gilbert Brutus
	St Helens v Castleford	Venue TBC		Hull KR v Warrington	Venue TBC
	Warrington v Leeds	Venue TBC		Wigan v Huddersfield	Venue TBC
ROUND 17	OCTOBER 22-23		ROUND 21	NOVEMBER 8-9	
	Castleford v Hull KR	Venue TBC		Castleford v Salford	Venue TBC
	Huddersfield v Wakefield	Venue TBC		Leeds v Wigan	Venue TBC
Thu 6:15pm	Catalans v Hull FC	Stade Gilbert Brutus		Hull KR v Catalans	Venue TBC
	St Helens v Leeds	Venue TBC		St Helens v Hull FC	Venue TBC
	Wigan v Salford	Venue TBC		Warrington v Huddersfield	Venue TBC
ROUND 18	OCTOBER 25-26		ROUND 22	NOVEMBER 12-13	
Mon 6:15pm	Catalans v Warrington	Stade Gilbert Brutus		Huddersfield v Catalans	Venue TBC
	Hull FC v Leeds	Venue TBC		Salford v Hull KR	Venue TBC
	Wakefield v Hull KR	Venue TBC		St Helens v Warrington	Venue TBC
	Salford v St Helens	Venue TBC		Hull FC v Wigan	Venue TBC
				Wakefield v Castleford	Venue TBC
ROUND 19	OCTOBER 29-30		REARRANGED FIXTURES - DATE TBC		
	Huddersfield v Castleford	Venue TBC		Salford v Catalans	Venue TBC
	Leeds v Wakefield	Venue TBC		Wakefield v Huddersfield	Venue TBC
	Hull KR v Hull FC	Venue TBC		Hull FC v Castleford	Venue TBC
	St Helens v Wigan	Venue TBC		Wigan v Catalans	Venue TBC
	Warrington v Salford	Venue TBC			

2020 BETFRED SUPER LEAGUE PLAYOFFS

2020 BETFRED SUPER LEAGUE GRAND FINAL

All times are GMT or BST (London time)

COVID-19 Testing Update

Catalans Dragons' Betfred Super League fixture against Wigan Warriors, which had been scheduled for this Saturday (August 29), has been postponed, after three Dragons players and a member of their non-playing staff returned positive tests in routine Covid-19 testing today (Tuesday).

Wigan Warriors will now play Castleford Tigers, in a fixture which had been due in Round 18. Castleford had been due to have a bye this weekend, but all clubs with a bye have been instructed to be on stand-by to step up in such an eventuality, given the exceptional current circumstances.

The Dragons squad were all instructed to isolate as soon as the news of the positive tests was received, prompting the postponement of the Wigan fixture. They will have further tests later this week.

Of the players who have tested positive, two played in Saturday's Coral Challenge Cup tie against Wakefield Trinity. Test and trace analysis has shown that two of the Wakefield players will also be required to self-isolate – but at this stage their fixture against Warrington Wolves is expected to go ahead as scheduled on Sunday.

This weekend's Betfred Super League programme, with all fixtures at the Halliwell Jones Stadium and live on Sky Sports, is now as follows:

Saturday: Wigan Warriors v Castleford Tigers (4.15pm), Leeds Rhinos v Salford Red Devils (6.30pm).

Sunday: Hull KR v St Helens (1pm), Huddersfield Giants v Hull FC (4.15pm), Warrington Wolves v Wakefield Trinity (6.30pm)



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