



NATIONAL
PREMIER LEAGUES

KICKOFF

VS



ROUND 1 CROMER PARK SATURDAY 10TH MARCH 7PM



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#NPLNSW

Welcome to Cromer Park for today's Season Opener between Manly United and APIA Leichhardt. The last time the two teams met was in the 2017 NPL Grand Final and we are all hoping for another high quality clash between two of the best teams in the NSW NPL Competition. Today is Back to Manly Day where

we connect with football's rich history on the Northern Beaches. We welcome back all former players and officials, especially members of the 1968 Manly Warringah Team, celebrating 50 years since we first appeared in the NSW First Division. Good luck to both teams and let's hope for a great game of football.



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- 8 SASA MACURA
- 9 DYLAN MACALLISTER
- 10 BRENDAN CHOLAKIAN
- 11 NIKOLA TANESKI
- 12 LEIGH EGGER

- 13 SCOTT BALDERSON
- 14 MITCHELL ROOKE
- 15 RHYS WILLIAMS
- 16 JAY FOSTER
- 17 GIANNI STENSNESS
- 18 MATTHEW FLETCHER
- 19 MARK MCMANUS
- 20 SHAUN CATLIN
- 21 JOSEPH FOX
- 22 GEORGE FIRTH
- 23 DANIEL ALESSI

COACH: PAUL DEE ASSISTANT COACH: ANDREW CHRISTIANSEN
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1. IVAN NECESKI
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12. MARC WARREN

13. BEN MCCARRON
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 17. SAM GULISANO
 18. ADRIAN UCCHINO
 19. BRANDON LUNDY
 20. TASUKU SEKIYA
 21. TARIQ MAIA
 22. BLAKE TUXFORD
 23. LACHLAN ROBERTS
- COACHES: BILLY MCCOLL, JOHN CALLEJA,

BRONISLAV JASIECZEK VON CASTELLO
MANAGERS: SERGIO BUCCIARELLI, EMANUELE ZIINO, SAM BARLETTA

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1ST GRADE MATCH PREVIEW

Reigning champions Manly United mean business and are out to prove last season's success is more than just a flash in the pan.

Much loved coach Paul Dee returns to take the reigns at the Northern Beaches club once again after a 12-month sabbatical and is determined to build on the success achieved under Warren Grieve in 2017.

Almost the entire cast of Manly's grand final winning side have returned this season with former Newcastle Jets young talent Daniel Alessi joining the fray at Cromer Park.

After ending their own silverware drought last season with the NPL NSW Mens Premiership, APIA Leichhardt hope to remain at the top of the pile.

The Tigers had a coaching change of their own this season with Billy McColl returning to call the shots at Lambert Park after Danial Cummins stepped away at the conclusion of last campaign.

It has been a busy offseason for APIA in the transfer market with Howard Fondyke, Zach Mackenzie, Lachlan Roberts and former Melbourne Victory striker George Howard joining McColl's side

While Saturday night's result won't have too much of an impact on the title race, both teams understand the importance of getting off to a strong start.

Expect plenty of action as the season gets underway with a bang at Cromer Park.

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FOOTBALL NSW LAUNCHES NPL 2018 SEASON

The National Premier Leagues NSW 2018 Season was launched by Football NSW at Ultra Football in Alexandria on Saturday where media and representatives from the NPL community attended.

A cocktail function for 120 guests with Master of Ceremonies and Fox Sports' very own Adam Peacock took control of proceedings which also included representatives from all Football NSW National Premier League Clubs, FFA Directors Simon Hepworth and Daniel Moulis, Football NSW Board Members, Major Sponsors as well as Ron Hoenig – Member for Heffron and Dr Hugh McDermott – Member for Prospect.

A player's panel representing all five competitions took shape as Manly United skipper Jamie Lobb (NPL NSW Men's), Football NSW Institute captain Jada Whyman (NPL NSW Women's), Rydalmere FC Lions skipper Ahmad Elrich (NPL NSW Men's 2), Bankstown City FC's Nikola Todoroski (NPL NSW Men's 3) and Sydney Olympic FC's Madeline Costanzo (NPL NSW Women's 2) all promoted the key role the NPL has played with the continual development of the world game in NSW.

Football NSW Chief Executive Officer Stuart Hodge stated that the event accomplished its intention in celebrating the launch of all National Premier Leagues NSW competitions.

"I'm thrilled to be able to enjoy the launch of this season with so many of those that champion this competition. The NPL in New South Wales is a very important part of the football landscape and player pathway in Australia and I know it will

continue to strengthen with what will be a solid 2018 football season for all involved.

"Season launches are wonderful occasions to come together socially and catch up with old friends, and even adversaries, but in football terms they are a time for optimism, for positivity, for anticipation, for expectation and hopefulness for the coming season.

"I would like to wish all the clubs the best of luck and we look forward to seeing another NSW club being honoured as the National Premier League Champions following in the footsteps of previous winners Sydney United 58 FC (2013, 2016) and Blacktown City FC (2015)."

The National Premier Leagues NSW Men's commences on Saturday the 10th of March with three matches planned as the 2017 Grand Final replay takes centre stage with Manly United facing APIA Leichhardt Tigers, newly promoted Marconi Stallions will be up for a huge match when they entertain neighbours Sydney United 58 while Sydney FC battle Hakoah Sydney City East. Three matches will follow on Sunday to conclude Round 1 with Sydney Olympic v Bonnyrigg White Eagles, Wollongong Wolves v Blacktown City and Rockdale City Suns take on Sutherland Sharks to end the opening round.

The National Premier Leagues 2 NSW Men's competition kicks off this Sunday the 4th of March while the National Premier Leagues Women's (Sunday 11th March), Women's 2 (Sunday 11th March), and Men's 3 (Saturday 10th March) conclude the NPL competition openers in NSW.





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HOME GROUND -
CROMER PARK South Creek Rd, Dee Why

ROUND 1

Saturday 10th March @ 19:00
APIA Leichhardt Tigers FC

ROUND 6

Saturday 14th April @ 19:00
Rockdale City Suns FC

ROUND 8

Saturday 28th April @ 19:00
Sutherland Sharks FC

ROUND 10

Saturday 12th May @ 19:00
Sydney United 58 FC

ROUND 13

Saturday 2nd June @ 19:00
Hakoah Sydney City East FC

ROUND 14

Sunday 10th June @ 15:00
Sydney Olympic FC

ROUND 15

Saturday 16th June @ 17:00
Marconi Stallions FC

ROUND 16

Sunday 24th June @ 15:00
Blacktown City FC

ROUND 18

Sunday 8th July @ 15:00
Sydney FC

ROUND 20

Saturday 28th July @ 19:00
Wollongong Wolves FC

ROUND 22

Sunday 12th August @ 15:00
Bonnyrigg White Eagles FC



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