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Welcome everyone to the 2018 National Premier League, Men's 1 Competition.

Preseason training has finished– Trial matches have now concluded.

And it's time to get serious.

Our mighty Wollongong Wolves are set for one of the most important and rewarding seasons in our club's long and illustrious history.

2017 saw our club make significant strides on the field and off the field and 2018 will see us build on those successes even further.

We have put together a very competitive squad, focused around players born, bred, developed right here in the Illawarra and South Coast. Club captain Chris Price, Justin Pasfied, Michael Robinson, Peter Simonoski, Josh Macdonald, James Baldacchino, Brendan Griffin, Taylor McDonald, Ethan Kambisios and Steve Hayes are all proud local products, cutting their teeth and developing their games right here in our region.

Complementing the core of our squad we have Luke Kairies and James Markovic committing to another season with the Wolves and new signings, Michael Stojanovski, Ryan Ensor and Quivi Fowler are 3 of the most exciting young talent across the competition and are certain to add significantly to our team.

And leading the way we have the professionalism and leadership of Nick Montgomery (who this season takes on the assistant coach role as well as player), last season's crowd favourite Yuzo Tashiro (who has signed on again for 2018) and new player Takuya Nozawa, a J League household who now calls Wollongong home. These 3 are the perfect mentors to guide our players and use their experience and knowledge to take us to even greater heights.

The ideal mix of locals, youth, experience, talent and most importantly – pride and passion in representing the Illawarra and South Coast under the mighty Wolves emblem.

Football is a game that unites people from all backgrounds, faiths, cultures and creeds.

Our game is the beautiful game, played right across the planet and provides so much joy to so many people.

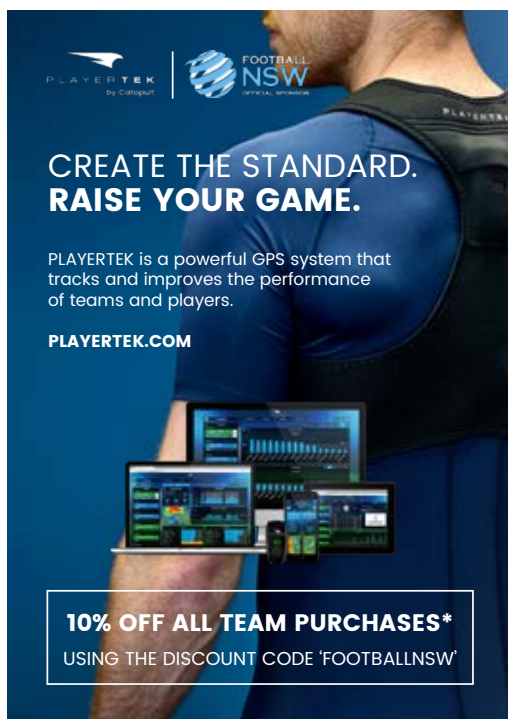
As the premier football club across our region the Wollongong Wolves will continue to promote and grow our game and deliver opportunities and pathways for everyone – male or female – rich or poor – talented or simply just passionate – to participate and contribute and make our wonderful sport even stronger and far more inclusive.

Again, welcome today to WIN Stadium – The Wolf Den for our Round 1 competition match against Blacktown City FC.

WIN Stadium was a formidable fortress for the Wolves last season and we intend again to make it the most difficult away trip in the competition.

Sit back, enjoy, and cheer on our mighty Wollongong Wolves for another season.

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FEMALE FOOTBALL WEEK

The Wollongong Wolves Football Club are very proud to throw our support behind Female Football Week.

An outstanding promotion that acknowledges the crucial role all females play in our beautiful game and the long term impact they will have on our future.

Whether it is playing, coaching, managing or encouraging and committing to the dreams and hopes of their children, the female presence and influence on football across Australia and in fact right around the world is crucial.

The women's game has made huge progress in our country over the last few years and will continue to grow and thrive.

Today, we are very proud and fortunate to have representatives from the Illawarra Stingrays Football Club here at WIN Stadium to highlight and promote Female Football Week. These young girls of today, will be the stars and role models for many, many in the future. They will be nurtured and developed by the Illawarra Stingrays and will become the first grade players and names of tomorrow.

They will take the love of our game with them throughout their lives and they will be responsible for guiding the next generation and making women's football an ever bigger success than it is today.

Quite rightly females across all areas of our sport are having a much greater impact and say in our game. This will only serve to make football an even stronger and far more attractive game for everyone to participate in. Females are now playing, coaching, managing, administering and running clubs. Opportunities and pathways abound for roles previously unattainable for these passionate, committed and professional women and our game has already improved considerably as a result. Best of all, it will continue to improve.

Please ensure you cheer loudly and proudly for our young Stingrays footballers of the future as they make their way out to WIN Stadium today.

Female Football Week is a celebration and acknowledgment of the inclusiveness and power of our game.

A fantastic promotion and one the Wollongong Wolves are so proud to be associated with



**FEMALE
FOOTBALL
WEEK**





The Wollongong Wolves welcome Blacktown City, the 2017 FFA Cup Quarter Finalists to WIN Stadium for today's Round 1 rendezvous, their 41st such meeting in league and finals

games since the first in 1981. This particular game resulted in a 1-1 draw, with John Fleming (WW) and Branko Culina (BC) being the goal scorers.

Blacktown to date has had the 'wood' on the Wolves in the Premier League with twelve wins in fourteen matches, while the Wolves last achieved a point in the Round 2 draw, 2013, and a victory in 2010. Will this game go the usual way with the visitors' victory, or will the home team spring a surprise with their new line-up? Stay tuned, there shouldn't be a dull moment given the line-ups.

THE OPPOSITION TODAY - BLACKTOWN CITY

A new addition to the club for 2018 that coach Mark Crittenden has signed is midfielder Devante Clut, formerly with A-League clubs Brisbane Roar (2013-2016) and Newcastle Jets (2016-18) and prior at Parramatta in 2013. In addition, Yianni Spyarakis has come via Sydney Olympic, and French striker Charles Mendy has signed from Peninsular Power in Brisbane to complement the squad.

Blacktown City has been a very successful club since its inception in 1953 and one such success was in 2007 when the club took out the Premiership/Championship double. The team finished with thirty-eight points from eleven wins and five draws and the team won the Grand Final winning 3-1. Coached by Aytec Genc, players used were Matthew Nemes, Matthew Presello, Tayfun Devrimol, Mirko Jurilj, Leo Carle, Roger Galayini, Luke Roodenburg, (Captain), Paul Wither, Tolgay Ozbey, Gabriel Mendez, Milorad Simonovic, Adrian Webster, Ben Gough, Brendan Renaud and Ryan Walsh.

Since 2014, the Lily Homes Stadium team has concluded each season in 3rd, 1st, and 2nd and with 2017 concluding the season in 2nd

position once more. This is a high consistency rate and a credit to the club. However, the club neglected to win any honours after being in front in the league by six points, five rounds from season's end but were subsequently overhauled.

The first 2017 victory came in Round 2 following a draw in Round 1. Blacktown finished as runners up in the Premiership, on 47 points, two behind with 14 wins, and five draws, scoring and conceding forty-five and twenty-two goals with a goal difference of 23, the second highest in the competition. With a goals total, James Andrew and Joey Gibbs shared the top scorer award with 11 apiece and seven other players got onto the scorer's list with the addition of an own goal. There were three nil scoring games, which was the second best in the competition. The best score was 4-0 on two occasions Rounds 9 and 18. The worst result was 2-1 versus Manly United. The goals scored per match average was 2.04 with the converse being 1.00 goals. The best result sequence without loss was nine matches, Rounds 1-9.

Multi scorers in a single game were Andrew who achieved a hat trick (one of three in the competition) with braces to Gibbs (x2) and Danny Choi (1). In the 'Team Of The Week', ten players were selected at varying times. Mitch Mallia topped the count with five appearances, followed by Matt Lewis, Andrew and Conor Evans with four each, Choi, Gibbs, Speranza and Shayne D'Cunha with two apiece and Grant Lynch with one. In addition, Evans, Gibbs and Mallia (as a sub.) were selected into the 'Team Of The Year.'

Blacktown had a fantastic run in the 2017 FFA Cup by defeating Central Coast Mariners in the Round Of 32 and continuing on by defeating APIA in the Round Of 16 by a 3-1 score line, to qualify for the Quarter Finals playing Western Sydney Wanderers. However, despite going behind and then getting into the lead during extra time, the team conceded late with the match ultimately going to the penalty shoot out. A 4-2 penalty loss then eventuated. During the match brace scorer and substitute Andrew and fellow winger Mallia were thorns in the opposition A-League team's side.

THE MATCH-UP

Since the 2004/05 NSW competition, the two teams have met in 25 league matches and one finals game. In the league, Blacktown has 21 victories, 20 more than the Wolves with more goals being scored, 71 to 22. The Wolves have been kept scoreless in ten games while Blacktown has never failed to score, which is a good and dominating record. The biggest win for Blacktown was 6-1 in 2006 while the Wolves best score line was 3-2. The highest number of goals scored in a single game was seven in the previously mentioned 6-1 encounter in 2006.

In preparation for this Round 1 fixture, the Wolves have had pre-season hit outs against IPL side Port Kembla, Chinese club Wuhan Zall, Rydalmere Lions and Sydney FC while Blacktown City have warmed up versus Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC, Northern Tigers, Sydney United 58, Blacktown Spartans and Sydney Olympic.

PLAYERS TO WATCH

Both teams will rely on proven goal scorers for the 2018 campaign. Blacktown's Mallia and Gibbs scored seventeen goals between them last season while Yuzo Tashiro and Peter Simonoski did likewise with these aforementioned players will most likely have some impact on proceedings. Overseas players Mendy for Blacktown via Brisbane, and Japanese playmaker Takuya Nozawa, will be certainly to be additional players to watch.

BLAST FROM THE PAST

The two teams met in the Elimination Final (3rd v 4th) at John Crehan Park in 2012, with an early 1.30 p.m. kick off on Saturday 8th September, a windy day on a bumpy pitch.

Wolves - Daniel Collison, Jack Keating, Jacob Timpano (Capt.), Michael Robinson, Samuel Jacob, Nick Littler, Chris Nathaniel, John Martinoski, Sasho Petrovski, Peter Simonoski and Ricky Zucco. Mark Picciolini and Fabian Iacovelli came on for Timpano and Martinoski respectively. The coach was Richard Lloyd.

Blacktown - Brody Crane, Travis Major, Matt Lewis, Luke Roodenburg, Daniel Bragg, Ryuji Miyazawa, James Monie, Yuchi Yamauchi, Adam Jenner, Keiron Paull and Zac Cairncross. Luke



Clifford, Yianni Perkatis and David Cain subbed Major, Bragg and Yamauchi respectively. Mark Crittenden was the coach.

Blacktown had a guilt edged opportunity to post an early goal when the team was awarded a penalty in the fifth minute when Keating was pulled up for bringing down Major with a shoulder charge. Major stepped up for the spot kick, despatching it. Collision originally kept out the ball and secured it with his second attempt with a full-length dive to deny. Despite this early setback, Blacktown went to the lead in the twenty-fourth minute. There was a goalmouth scramble as the Wolves' defenders were not able to get the ball away cleanly. It instead went to Jenner and he pounced, sending it into the goal. Fifteen minutes later, following a Lewis corner kick, the ball bobbled around near to the goal. Cairncross was in the vicinity to powerfully strike the ball in. Timpano dispossessed Major to see off danger. Petrovski set up Zucco but he pulled it wide. In the early part of the second half, Collison thwarted both Monie and Major. The Wolves came back with a goal to Zucco. He picked up loose ball and from ten metres out, he drove the ball past Crane. Jacob had a header in the final minutes that hit a defender.

Lloyd stated post match - 'I was disappointed with the result. I thought we gave a good account of ourselves. Captain, Timpano - 'It was just a battle and Blacktown came off on

top in the battle.' Goalkeeper Crane - 'it was always going to be tough down here. The wind was terrible and it made it very hard to play... I was happy to get the win.'

SCORES AND SCORERS FROM THE PREVIOUS FIVE LEAGUE MEETINGS

1. 2015. Blacktown City 4 (Joey Gibbs, Sasa Macura, Travis Major, Patrick Antelmi) defeated Wolves 0
2. 2016. Blacktown City 3 (Danny Choi 2, Mitch Mallia) defeated Wolves 0
3. 2016. Wolves 2 (Ricky Zucco, Steven Hristovski) defeated by Blacktown City 3 (Patrick Antelmi, Sasa Macura, Travis Major)
4. 2017. Blacktown City 2 (Joey Gibbs, James Andrew) defeated Wolves 0
5. 2017. Wolves 1 (Peter Simonoski) defeated by Blacktown City 3 (Joey Gibbs, Mitch Mallia, Peter Cejka)

SELECTED REPRESENTATIVE OF BOTH CLUBS - BRODY CRANE

Crane was a goalkeeper who played two seasons with the Wolves, signing from Blacktown City before returning, once his Wolves tenure was fulfilled. He was at the club from 2010 to 2011. However, while at the Wolves he played for Blacktown in the final series as they had goalkeeper injuries.

The goalkeeper made the 2012 'Team Of The Week' on two occasions, in the Round 1 and Round 14 Sydney Olympic and APIA matches. With a man down, Crane had to weather an Olympic storm. He made telling saves with one advancing off his line in a one on one confrontation to block a scoring attempt. His sweeping role assisted in keeping the attackers at bay and fully stretched in a crowded goalmouth to deny a header.

In Round 14 in 2011, Crane kept APIA Leichhardt Tigers in control with a good display. Post match he commented - 'with the way we play, I need to sweep the back four a lot. On each occasion, I found I was able to get there just in time, otherwise I would have been in trouble. I was disappointed to concede the early goal. I think we started a bit slow... but we got better as the game went on and we started to get a feel for the pitch and for each other.'

Crane played for Macarthur Rams in 2008 before he came back to Blacktown for the 2009 season and thus leaving at the conclusion of that season. He returned for the 2012 and 2013 seasons.

WOLVES' PAST PLAYER OF NOTE - PHIL O'CONNOR

O'Connor, the English born left footed striker and winger played fifty-seven games scoring twenty eight goals with a goals per game ratio of 0.49 in the 1982 and 1983 seasons. His first goal on his club debut was in Round 2 in 1982. It came after twenty-five minutes had elapsed in the Sydney City match. O'Connor turned in the penalty area, with his ensuing shot beating the goalkeeper.

He scored the quickest goal of his next season, goaling after one minute versus Sydney City at Ziems Park, Corrimal. Actually only fifteen seconds had elapsed before O'Connor won the ball off a midfielder straight from the kick off. He subsequently placed the ball beyond the custodian into the goal. However, it was his teams only strike as against the opposition's three.

O'Connor was the club's top scorer in 1982 with seven goals and shared the honour with Roy Cotton in 1983 with twelve goals apiece. He was the club 'Player Of The Year' in 1983.

His final game for the club was on the 9th October 1983 at Spencer Park in Brisbane versus Brisbane City. He duly scored in this match too, getting on the score sheet in the 13th minute.

O'Connor also was a Socceroos, making twenty appearances scoring five goals from 1976-1984. He had formerly played with Southend United, Luton Town and Lincoln City in England, and his first Australian club was Balgownie in 1975. South Coast United, St. George and APIA Leichhardt were his clubs before venturing to the Wolves. From the Wolves he went to Blacktown City. While at Blacktown, he unfortunately and tragically lost his life when his bread van veered off the Appin Road in 1985.

By Malcolm Rowney

(Players' comments were taken from interviews that were conducted by the writer for the match reports at the time.)

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THE WAY THEY PLAYED - 2017 PART TWO (FINAL)

The first part of this article was published in the 2017 Round 22 program, as the following information was unavailable prior to the submission before printing. Following is the completion of the 2017 'The Way They Played' with the additional information of the Wolves' players in the PS4 NPL NSW Mens 1 'Team Of The Year'.

Round 21 - PATRICK ANTELMi - v Rockdale City Suns at Ilinden Park, Rockdale

Antelmi was back in the starting line-up for the team in this away match to Rockdale. The home team had skipped out to a two goal lead before Antelmi scored in the eighty-sixth minute to give his team a little hope in the minutes remaining. He produced a shot with his left foot that beat the custodian with ease. Antelmi led by example and was ever present, whether heading out clearances in defence, or fashioning opportunities to score.

Round 22 - PATRICK ANTELMi and JUSTIN PASFIELD v Sydney FC at WIN Stadium, Wollongong.

The second such recognition for Antelmi in seven days occurred when he scored a hat trick, only the third of such for a player in the 2017 Mens 1 competition. As well as this he was impressive in open play, back heading out to assist the defence and setting up attacks and winning the ball in tackles and with timely interceptions. His first goal was a spot kick and he duly converted this sending the ball to right of centre with the custodian diving the opposite way. His second goal arrived after he robbed a defender before pushing forward with a few steps to subsequently pushed his shot in past the custodian. He brought up his hat trick following an Hristijan Tanoski assist from the left.

Pasfield was a colossus between the sticks making goal saving tackles at regular occasions. He kept out one on ones with inspired keeping and kept out one that hit him flush in the face, before gathering his thoughts to scupper the attack straight after. He saved one from close vicinity, guarding his goal with precision.

GOAL OF THE WEEK

Round 21 - PATRICK ANTELMi v Rockdale City Suns at Ilinden Sports Centre, Rockdale.

The ball was whipped in from the sidelines by Chris Price's left boot to the centre of the field. A step or two outside the goal area lurked Antelmi. With one touch he swept the ball with his left foot to lodge inside the goalkeeper's left post, falling to the ground in the aftermath. He certainly did hit the ball sweetly.

Round 22 - BRENDAN GRIFFIN v SYDNEY FC at WIN Stadium, Wollongong. (Nomination)

Griffin was one of two goals scorers nominated in this round. Patrick Antelmi on the right swept the ball across field to Chris Price on the left. He let the bounce before hitting the ball on to Griffin, lurking just inside the penalty area. Griffin swept the ball with his left foot, with the ball zooming high into the goal to the right of the outstretched custodian.

SAVE OF THE WEEK

Round 22 - JUSTIN PASFIELD v Sydney FC at WIN Stadium, Wollongong.

This was a double save in quick succession. Sydney FC's Sam McIlhatton passed to Jerry Skodatis and his ensuing shot sizzled in from just outside the six yard line. Pasfield used his head, quite literally, as the ball smacked him in the face and rebounded. As the ball in towards goal, Pasfield subsequently went to his right and used both hands to push away. The ball went up in the air and it was ultimately headed away. This was a quick recovery for the agile custodian.

2017 TEAM OF THE YEAR

Two players were selected in this team with Yuzo Tashiro making the starting eleven and Justin Pasfield making the substitutes bench as a second goalkeeper. Both players were in a consistently superb form throughout the season and fully deserved their recognition.

By Malcolm Rowney



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2017 WOLLONGONG WOLVES - LEAGUE AND CUP OVERVIEW

Finishing Position - 6th

Win/Loss/Draw Record - 12 wins, 1 draw and 9 defeats. (Round 1 result 3-1 win on the field was overturned due to fielding ineligible players and the 3-0 win was awarded to the opposition.)

Total No. Of Goals Scored - 35 (excluding 3 in Round 1)

Total Number Of Goals Conceded - 28 (25 in play plus 3 in overturned result)

Biggest Win - 6-1 v Sydney FC Round 22

Biggest Loss - 3-0 to Bonnyrigg White Eagles Round 9.

Number Of Home Wins - 8

Number Of Home Losses - 2

Number Of Away Wins - 4 (Excluding Round 1)

Number Of Away Losses - 6 (excluding Round 1)

Number Of Nil Score Games - 3

Most Goals In A Single Match - 6

Number of Goals Scored In First Half Of The Season Round 1-11 - 11

Number Of Goals Scored In Second Half Of The Season Rounds 12-22 - 24

Number of Goals Conceded In First Half Of The Season Round 1-11 - 12 (plus three in the Round 1 overturned result)

Number Of Goals Scored In Second Half Of The Season Rounds 12-22 - 13

Number Of Goals Scored At Home - 22

Number Of Goals Scored Away - 13

Number Of Goals Scored In The First Half Of Matches - 14

Number Of Goals Scored in The Second Half Of Matches - 21

Number Of Goals Conceded In The First Half Of Matches - 7

Number Of Goal Conceded In the Second Half Of Matches - 18

Number Of Goals Scored In A Fifteen Minute Time Frame - 1'-15' - 4, 16'-30' - 6, 31'-45' - 4, 46'-60' - 8, 61'-75' - 4, 76'-90'+ - 9.

Number Of Goals Conceded In A Fifteen

Minute Time Frame - 1'-15' - 2, 16'-30' - 4, 31'-45' - 4, 46'-60' - 8, 61'-75'-3, 76'-90'+ - 10.

Average No. Of Goals Scored Per Game - 1.6 (from 21 games excluding Round 1)

Average No Of Goals Conceded Per Game - 1.19 (from 21 games excluding Round 1)

Worst Score At Half Time - 2 - 0 Round 15.

Best Score At Half Time - 2 - 0 Rounds 19 and 22.

Fastest Goal Scored - 6' - Nick Montgomery Round 12

Longest Winning Streak - 4 - Rounds 17-20

Longest Streak Without Loss - 4 - Rounds 17-20

Longest Winless Streak - 4 - Round 1-4 (loss loss draw loss)

Home And Away Double Wins - nil

Home And Away Double Defeats - Blacktown City 2-0, 3-1.

No. Of Scoreless Games - 4 (3 in play, one on overturned Round 1 Result)

No. Of Players Used - 23

Most Games Played - 22 - Justin Pasfield

Top Scorer - Patrick Antelmi - 11 goals

Number Of Scorers During Season - 10 (plus own goal)

Individual Scorers and Number Of Goals Scored - Patrick Antelmi (11) (includes 2 goals scored in overturned result in Round 1), Yuzo Tashiro (10), Peter Simonoski (7), Brendan Griffin (2), Nick Montgomery (1), Steve Hayes (1), James Markovic (1), Jack Lombo (1), Joshua Macdonald (1), Chris Price (1), own goal (1).

Multiple Scorers In A Single Match - Patrick Antelmi - hat trick, Yuzo Tashiro - brace x2. Peter Simonoski - brace x2, Brendan Griffin - brace.

Total Number Of Clean Sheets - 7

Total Number Of Yellow Cards - 30

Total Number Of Red Cards - 4

Most Yellow Cards - 5- Patrick Antelmi

Most Red Cards - 1 - Chris Price, Nicolas Bernal,

James O'Rourke and Darcy Madden

Coach - Jacob Timpano

Coach's Win /Loss Record - 60% (Excluding Round 1)

Players Used and Number Of Starting and Substitute Appearances -

Justin Pasfield (22), Chris Price (20), Michael Robinson (20), Patrick Antelmi (19+2), Yuzo Tashiro (19), Hayden Morton (18+1), Steve Hayes (18), Joshua Macdonald (14+2), Brendan Griffin (12+5), Darcy Madden (12), Nick Montgomery (12), Peter Simonoski (11+3), Nicolas Bernal (10+2), Ben Tosi (6), James Baldacchino (6+1), James Markovic (5+1), Hristijan Tanoski (4+7), James O'Rourke (4+1), Brett Wilson (2+3), Ethan Kambisios (2+1) David Stojic (1+5), Jack Lombo (1+10), James Carli (0+1).

In The League -

1.The Wolves were one of only two teams to keep APIA Leichhardt, the eventual 2017 premiers to a nil score.

2. Three nil scores were conceded in actual games and this by the Wolves was the second lowest and was achieved as well by Blacktown City. The least number was two, with APIA and Manly having tied in this regard.

3. The Wolves were one of two teams to have scored six goals in a single game, with the other being APIA Leichhardt.

4. Five teams scored more goals than the Wolves with all but one being in the finals. Another team scored identical tally of thirty-five goals, that team being Sydney Olympic, who did qualify.

5. As well as having the same number of victories as two of the Top Five teams, the Wolves had three more defeats than the two of qualified finals series teams, those in fourth and fifth positions.

2017 Club Awards

Golden Boot - Patrick Antelmi

Player Of The Year - Justin Pasfield

Rookie Of The Year - Ethan Kambisios

Players' Player Of The Year - Justin Pasfield

Manager's Award - Justin Pasfield

FFA CUP /WARATAH CUP

Result - away v Sutherland Sharks. 3 - 0 loss at Seymour Shaw Park, Miranda.

Players Used - Justin Pasfield, Hayden Morton, James Baldacchino, Chris Price, Brendan Griffin, Davis Stojic, Hristijan Tanoski, Joshua Macdonald and Brett Wilson. Ben Tosi, Steve Hayes and Stefan Dimoski subbed for Tanoski, Baldacchino and Tosi respectively.

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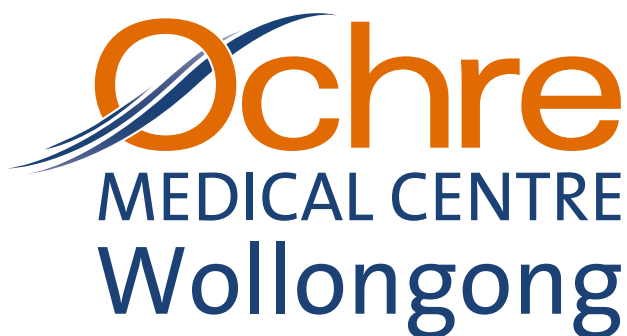
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TEAM LISTS



1 JUST PASFIELD (GK)
2 JAMES MARKOVIC
3 TAYLOR MCDONALD
4 MICHAEL ROBINSON
5 JAMES BALDACCHINO
6 NICHOLAS MONTGOMERY
7 CHRIS PRICE
8 BRENDAN GRIFFIN
9 PETER SIMONOSKI
10 JOSHUA MACDONALD

14 ETHAN KAMBISIOS
16 LUKE KAIRIES (GK)
17 RYAN ENSOR
21 CAOIMHIN FOWLER
23 STEVEN HAYES
28 MICHAEL STOJANOVSKI
30 YUZO TASHIRO
40 TAKUYA NOZAWA

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1 TRISTAN PRENDERGAST
3 GIORGIO SPERANZA
4 ROBERTO SPERANZA
5 GRANT LYNCH
6 MATT LEWIS
7 DEVANTE CLUT
8 DANIEL ARAUJO
9 JOEY GIBBS
10 CONNOR EVANS
11 DANNY CHOI
12 CHARLES MENDY

14 MITCH MALLIA
16 MARK RODIC
17 DAKOTA ASKEW
18 MASON VERSI
19 ZACH CAIRNCROSS
20 STEVAN SAVICIC
22 YIANNI SPYRAKIS
23 DANIEL BRAGG

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UNDER 16s



Luke Genua
 Sebastian Black
 Tyson Black
 Lachlan Bryce
 Jayden Calver
 Navarone Darjani
 Harrison Dennis
 Owen Fitzpatrick
 Lewis Grimshaw
 Anthony Krsteski
 Rocky Lavalle
 Keegan Matias
 Mason Mavridis
 Michael Mendes
 Will Natrass
 Noah Vidler
 Coach: Manny Mavridis
 Assistant: Tom Anagnostopoulos
 Manager: Kimberley Fitzgerald

UNDER 15s



Luke Morgan
 Harrison Anagnostopou-los
 Brandon Angelevski
 Antoni Anic
 Andrew Aston
 Deakin Brownlee
 Salvatore Di Bella
 Ryan Doig
 Dax Kelly
 Gabriel Krsteski
 Tony Krstevski
 Logan Mathie
 Oliver Mitrevski
 Daniel Payne
 Riley Smithson
 Omezikam Uchendu
 Coach: Steve Honey
 Assistant: Allan Jones
 Managers: Terina Hartley and Ben Mitrevski

UNDER 14s



- 1 Jake Charlston
- 2 Jake Almond
- 3 James Anagnostopou-los
- 4 Julian De Freitas
- 5 Jack Deale
- 6 Jack Duffy
- 7 Joshua Franco
- 8 Joshua Galevski
- 9 Jacob Krkovski
- 10 Flynn Madden
- 11 Daniel Merola
- 12 Joshua Nikolovski
- 13 Luke Palermo
- 14 Anton Radice-Jones
- 15 Deklan Rawson
- 16 Sebastian Stanojevic

Coach: Todd Parker
 Manager: Steve Stanojevic

UNDER 13s



Morgan Woolnough
 Jayden Branovski
 Chisholm Brown
 Benjamin Caroutas
 Jay De Gouveia
 Callum Donnelly
 Aleksandar Dulevski
 Damon Gray
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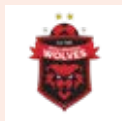
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 Assistant: Phil Vidler
 Manager: Anthony Palermo

UNDER 12s



Max Atsas
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 Lachlan Groves
 Adam Kairis
 Joshua Keir
 Martin Kolevski
 Heath Marsden
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 Miles Thompson
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 Christian Vujic
 Kieran Wardle
 Harry Wililo
 Coach: Brendan Griffin

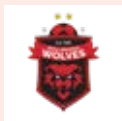
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Christian Anagnos-topoulos
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 Ben Harman
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 Kyan Hawke
 Oscar Kiely
 Micah Leimbach
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 Noah Mathie
 Odhran McDermott
 Ryan Molnar
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 Noah Stella
 Zane Stroemer

Coach: Alfredo Esteves

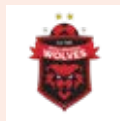
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Christian Beleski
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 Billy Beniuk
 James Calci
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 Kolby Guevara
 Axl Hornby
 Khaled Houchaymi
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 Cooper Markovic
 Elijah Millet
 Lucas Moreira
 Innocent Nwali
 Samuel Palermo
 Jordan Sirijovski
 Noah Smart
 Luca Spaseski
 Lukas Srbinoski
 Lachlan Taylor

Coach: Vlado Srbinoski

UNDER 9s



Jaxon Bojlevski
 Samuel Burke
 Myke Caldmoski
 Kahuitara-Te Ra Chase
 Jack Foley
 Fabian Gaudiosi
 Leo Halios-Lewis
 Jarrah Longbottom
 Kingston McLerie
 Zachary McNeill
 Jared Mihajlovic
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- 1 Bailey Kubecka
- 2 Louis Connell
- 3 Kyle Senior
- 4 Jack Hooper
- 5 Jared Wiley
- 6 Brodie Clarkson
- 7 Branislav Radmanovic
- 8 James Carli

- 9 Marcus Bimbilovski
- 10 Harrison Taranto
- 11 Tory Musumeci
- 12 Jordan Nikolovski
- 13 Nikola Djordjevic
- 14 Mitchell Ferraro
- 19 Thomas Dunlop

Coach: James Ford
Manager: Robert Positti



- 24 Jack Stewart
- 25 Ben Parkinson
- 26 Lachlan Campbell
- 27 Samuel Hamilton
- 28 John Azar
- 30 Malcolm Ward
- 31 Lachlan Rose
- 32 Will Salinas

- 34 Jarrod Dodds
- 35 George Panayi
- 36 Anthony Gallo
- 38 Lewis Fraser
- 39 Adolph Koudakpo
- 41 Cooper Coskerie

Coach: John Carnevale
Manager: Mitch Hendry

U18'S



- 1 Brendon Krcanoski
- 2 Luke Day
- 3 Kayne Kotevski
- 4 Joshua Alcorn
- 5 Tim Chapman
- 6 Jordyn Della Vedova
- 7 Jason Pappas
- 8 Brendan Mitrovski
- 9 Joel Starr

- 10 Jake Levy
- 11 Samuel Miranda
- 12 Joshua Correia
- 13 Liam Rae
- 14 Brendan Low
- 15 Jarrod Alston
- 16 Hayden Purkiss

Coach: Richard Lloyd
Assistant Coach: Scott Nicholls
Manager: Robbie Day



- 1 Alen Aganovic
- 2 Suleyman Bangua
- 3 Matthew Caisley
- 4 Carlos De Oliveira
- 5 Ryan Duffy
- 6 William Gafa
- 7 Jack Hutchings
- 8 Kai McLoughlin

- 9 Dylan Niski
- 10 Dean Pelekanos
- 11 Alexander Purves
- 12 Blake Richards
- 13 Kye Soares
- 14 Bradley Tapp
- 15 Samuel Webb
- 16 Luka Zanko

Coach: Andrew Montgomery
Manager: Trevor Keayes

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NEW BOYS IN TOWN

#NPLNSW

Four new players have joined the club for the 2018 National Premier League NSW Mens 1 competition. One of the new players comes from Japan and he will reacquaint with a former teammate at Kashima Antlers in Yuzo Tashiro, the striker who scored 10 goals in 2017. These players will add to the squad and hopefully a successful time at the club.



QUIVI FOWLER

Originally from Cairns after being born in Dublin, Fowler has played professionally for Vitesse Arnhem in Holland. His junior football was with Leichhardt in Cairns and he is an attacking midfield player.



RYAN ENSOR

Originally from Toowoomba, Ensor, a midfielder, formerly played with Adamstown Rosebuds in Newcastle's Northern Premier League competition and with Newcastle Jets Youth in the Newcastle Premier League and in the National Youth League.



MICHAEL STOJANOVSKI

Stojanovski in 2017 played in the Mens 2 competition for North Shore Mariners (formerly Northbridge FC) which concluded the season in fifth position. His position is that of a defender and with his club was the 'Player Of The Month' in July 2017.



TAKUYA NOZAWA

Nozawa is a Japanese attacking midfield player who played for Kashima Antlers from 1999 – 2011, Vissel Kobe in 2012, back at the Antlers from 2013-2014 and with Vegalta Sendai in 2016-2017. He has scored 69 league goals from 381 games, which is an average 0.18 goals per game up to 2012. In all, he has played over 500 games in all competitions across Japan winning five J-League titles, three J-League Cups, two Emperor's Cups, a Super Cup and Suruga Cup championship. He became a free agent on February 2018, and signed with the Wollongong Wolves prior to their Brisbane trial match with Japanese club, Wuhan Zall FC in February.

By Malcolm Rowney



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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 -
WIN STADIUM Harbour St, Wollongong

ROUND 1

Sunday 11th March @ 15:00
Blacktown City FC

ROUND 2

Sunday 18th March @ 15:00
Rockdale City Suns FC

ROUND 7

Sunday 22nd April @ 15:00
Bonnyrigg White Eagles FC

ROUND 9

Sunday 6th May @ 15:00
Manly United FC

ROUND 11

Sunday 20th May @ 15:00
Marconi Stallions FC

ROUND 14

Saturday 9th June @ 19:00
Sydney FC

ROUND 15

Sunday 17th June @ 15:00
Albert Butler Memorial Park
Sutherland Sharks FC

ROUND 16

Saturday 23rd June @ 19:00
Hakoah Sydney City East FC

ROUND 17

Sunday 1st July @ 15:00
Sydney United 58 FC

ROUND 19

Saturday 21st July @ 19:00
APIA Leichhardt Tigers FC

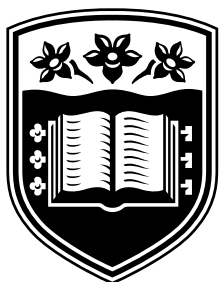
ROUND 21

Sunday 5th August @ 15:00
Sydney Olympic FC





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