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### **WELCOME**



Welcome everyone to WIN Stadium – The Wolf Den for our Round 7 clash with Bonnyrigg White Eagles.

After spending the last month on a schedule of 4 away games (2 wins – 2 losses), returning home is something all our players have been greatly looking forward to, and are ready to respond in front of our home fans.

Our mighty Wollongong Wolves have had a strong start to the season and we are very well poised to make our mark on this year's competition. A string of good results can see us make a strong climb up the ladder and it all begins today, right here at WIN Stadium against Bonnyrigg.

The Wollongong Wolves Football Club have formally commenced our "JOURNEY TO THE A-LEAGUE AND W-LEAGUE" – a return to national football representation for our region and the complete pathways and opportunities for all our footballing boys and girls.

All centred right here in our own background. Standalone. Truly representing our community and nurturing and growing the strongest and most productive football nursery across Australia. From Helensburgh to Eden and everywhere in between we will have our teams, Men and Women, playing out of WIN STADIUM – The Wolf Den and showing the rest of the country what a powerhouse football force we are.

FFA have announced an initial expression of interest submission date of Thursday 24th May.

We will be more than ready for this initial step and our submission will be among the most thorough, impressive and exciting presentation anyone from FFA has seen in a very long time.

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Let's show the rest of Australia the groundswell of support for our team and the hunger and passion we have for football.

CROWDS – Let's fill WIN STADIUM – The Wolf Den for every single one of our remaining home games this season starting today as we return home to play Bonnyrigg. We already boast the biggest, best and most passionate crowds in the NPL but let's build on that even further. Get to the game and bring a friend. Bring as many as you can.

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### **MATCH PREVIEW**





Bonnyrigg White Eagles come to WIN Stadium for this Round 7 fixture of the Mens 1 competition for the 21st meeting in league and cup games against the Wollongong

Wolves since the first on 21st November 2004 at John Crehan Park, Cringila with Bonnyrigg running out the winners 4-1. The goal scorers were Vuko Tomasevic (x3) and Michael Baird (BWE) together with Michael Clare (WW.)

Each team is coming off a defeat in the previous round while Bonnyrigg in addition, has yet to achieve a victory in 2018. The White Eagles will be most keen to initiate a win, though the Wolves will want to put paid to that suggestion with a return to that winning feeling in their own right.

#### THE OPPOSITION TODAY – BONNYRIGG WHITE EAGLES

New recruits for the club in 2018 are returnee Tynan Diaz, Ben Tosi and James O'Rourke (all three former Wolves clientele), David Bradesevic from Rockdale, Brady Smith and Dean Bereveskos (ex Hakoah Sydney City East) plus Jeewook Woo. Brian Brown is at the coaching helm once again and as his long time assistant Cliff Pointer has retired, Milan Susak has stepped into the breach.

Bonnyrigg White Eagles has chalked up many honours since the club's inception in 1968. One such achievement was winning the 2010 Premiership. The team achieved forty-five points from thirteen wins and six draws, scoring forty-five goals with twenty against. Coached by Brian Brown, the players were Nenad Vekic (Gk), Paul Cotte, Michael Brown, Milan Zoric, Milorad Simonovic, Nikola Zonjic, Brad Boardman, Daniel Severino, Shane Webb, Juan Chavez, Nathan Elasi, Jamie McMaster, Wade Oostendorp, Graeme Forbes, David Gullo, Vuko Tomasevic, Chris Tadrosse and Ali Aqbal.

Since 2014, the club has finished in 1st, 3rd, 5th and 9th positions and will want to arrest this apparent downhill slide in 2018.

In 2017, Bonnyrigg took nine matches before a victory was posted with the best sequence without loss being four matches, Round 15-18, win, draw, draw and win. Concluding the season on nineteen points, Bonnyrigg achieved five wins and four draws, scoring and conceding thirty-one and fifty goals respectively, with a goal difference of minus 19, which was the better of three other teams. The top scorer was Hassan Jalloh with seven goals, and twelve other players contributed to the scoring. The team was kept scoreless on six occasions, which was the equal third highest of all the teams. The best win was 3-0 over the Wolves and the least impressive defeat was 4-0 in Round 4 versus APIA. Martin Lo scored the quickest goal, which came in the 10th minute in the Round 11 Parramatta FC. Multi scorers in a single match were Jalloh and Ott with a brace each. Eight players were selected in the 'Team Of The Week' with Ray Miller topping the list with five selections, followed by, Jalloh (2), Sam Galloway (2), Nikola Zonjic (2), Lo (1), Zac Mackenzie (1), Greg Kondek (1) and Jacob Ott (1)

#### THE MATCH-UP

The two teams have met in nineteen league matches with Bonnyrigg having fourteen wins to the Wolves' three, and doubling the amount of goals scored, achieving forty-four. Bonnyrigg has kept the Wolves scoreless on five occasions while the reverse has never been inflicted.

In the last meeting, the Wolves were victorious with a 2-1 result in 2017.

To date in 2018, Bonnyrigg and Wollongong have achieved two and ten points respectively and occupy twelfth and fifth positions on the point's table.

The result sequence in the previous five games for Bonnyrigg is draw, loss, loss, draw and loss, while the Wolves' record is win, win, loss, win and loss.

The top scorer for each team is Woo and Peter Simonoski with three goals apiece with these same players having scored the previous goal for each club. The teams have been kept scoreless on two (BWE) and three (WW) occasions with Bonnyrigg having scored

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nine goals to the Wolves five, which is the lowest tally of all clubs.

Both teams suffered losses in the Round 5 fixture. The Wolves were defeated 2-0 by Sydney United 58 and Bonnyrigg White Eagles lost 3-0 to Sutherland Sharks.

At the corresponding period in 2017, BWE had scored nine goals and achieved one point with the Wolves garnering three points and the same number of goals. The White Eagles now are slightly ahead in one way and slightly behind in the other way while the Wolves are ahead both on points and the number of goals scored tallied.

Bonnyrigg has not had much trouble in scoring goals to date, with eight being achieved so far in the competition. However, despite the number of goals, a win has proven elusive with only two draws being achieved. The Wolves conversely have three victories and a draw.

#### **PLAYERS TO WATCH**

Woo has proven to be an exciting player with proven goal scoring ability and he could set the field alight with his play.

Striker Simonoski has scored five goals in four successive matches (including a cup game) and his scoring prowess will be something to observe if he is on song today.

#### **BLAST FROM THE PAST**

In 2009 it was the Round 2 fixture that the two teams met and it was the first home match of the season for the Wollongong team.

Wollongong - Alex Augusto, Keiran Deane, Alfredo Estevez, Jamie Pitt, Ben Bronneberg, James Lawrence, Chris Nathaniel, Ballamodou Conde, Steve Hayes (Capt.), Ilija Prenzoski and Samet Kaynak. Brendan Kearns, Steve Dimitrievski and Josh Price came on for Nathaniel, Conde and Kaynak respectively. The coach was Tony Pace.

Bonnyrigg - Ali Akbal, Paul Cottee, David Petrovic, Nikola Zonjic, Daniel Willoughby, Almir Disdaric, Eric Nyamekye, Nathan Rivera, Milorad Simonovic, Antonio Faria and Milan Zoric. Steven Bozinovski and Ilkay Janjic came on for Willoughby and Faria. Blagoja Kuleski was the incumbent coach.

Wollongong started well enough and had a few shots in the first ten minutes through





Deane and Pitt. Midway through this half Bonnyrigg found their rhythm. Nyamekye missed an open goal but made amends minutes later from an airborne flick from Willoughby to set him up. The striker headed the ball into the net on twenty-four minutes. Bronneberg pulled the shirt of an attacker and was sent off a further nine minutes on. The ensuing penalty kick by Disdaric went straight down the middle of the goal as the custodian dived to the side. Estevez, despite being down by two goals against ten men, looked safe and composed for the home team. However, later Prenzoski got one back when he headed home on fifty-one minutes. Hayes subsequently kept his team in the contest when he cleared off the line four minutes later. Hayes was dragged down to win a spot kick, with Prenzoski duly despatching it. Against adversity, Wollongong had reduced the arrears. The game was there to be taken. It was the home side that took the lead for the first time. Fortunately for his team, Kaynak struck the winner following Lawrence and Prenzoski's sterling work. Wollongong held on to get the win, the only one of that year. Pace stated post match, - 'It was a good comeback

and the team had spirit.' Prenzoski said 'the team rallied well in the second half and Kaynak - 'it was good to get on the scoresheet for the first time this season in front of a big home crowd. It was my first goal since the Grand Final. Ilija is great to play along side. He encourages and creates space for me'.

#### SCORES AND SCORERS FROM THE PREVIOUS FIVE LEAGUE MEETINGS

- 2015. Bonnyrigg 3 (Tynan Diaz, David Vrankovic, Yuta Kokado) defeated Wolves 1 (David Stojic)
- 2. 2016. Bonnyrigg 1 (Yuta Kokado) drew with Wolves 1 (Joshua MacDonald)
- 3. 2016. Wolves 0 defeated by Bonnyrigg 2 (Asmir Kadric, Greg Kondek)
- 2017. Wolves 0 defeated by Bonnyrigg 3 (Greg Kondek, Hassan Jalloh, Samuel Galloway)
- 5. 2017. Bonnyrigg 1 (Asmir Kadric) defeated by Wolves 2 (Yuzo Tashiro, Peter Simonoski)

#### SELECTED REPRESENTATIVE OF BOTH CLUBS - ANDRES GOMEZ

Gomez played two seasons with the Wolves



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and one with Bonnyrigg in 2010, 2011 and 2012 respectively. He made thirty-two starting Wolves appearances with four from the bench and adding two goals. His initial goal was in 2010 Round 5 versus Bankstown, Lisandro Berbis put Andrew Paine through with a defence splitting pass. Paine then squared the ball to Gomez who duly netted. This win was the first of that season. His second strike came in the 2011 Round 18 Rockdale game. He was positioned right side of the goal. On receiving the ball from a teammate, Gomez shot. The ball was destined to go in but took a deflection, which deviated the path of the ball. Never the less, it still went in for the team's third of four for the match.

In an earlier game versus Sutherland Sharks in Round 11, he set up Mark Picciolini for a shot on goal that was unfortunately not converted. He was to the fore in this match but his enterprising play could not affect the result in the end. He stated post match – 'It's just a shame that we could not get another goal but it's just the way football is. We pressed them and we created a lot of chances. The second half was a lot better performance than in the first half.... Everyone had a great game. You always do your best for the team.'

At Bonnyrigg he was not able to get on the scoresheet during the season and his final turnout in Bonnyrigg's colours was as an unused substitute in the losing Grand Final team.

As a player he showed considerably deft ball skills and was able to get past players with apparent ease. He was nimble and his passing was direct and incisive. He set up players for goal scoring activities, being very creative.

Gomez had been selected in the Australia Futsal Championship team in AFC Futsal Championship in 2012 held in the UAE. In club futsal he played for Sydney Magic now (Inner West Magic) who the NSW Premier League futsal title. Previously in 2007/08, Gomez won the 'Johnny Warren Magic 'Player Of The Year' award. He is still with this club currently.

#### WOLVES' PAST PLAYER OF NOTE - STEWART PETRIE

The Scottish striker/midfielder came to the Wolves from the Central Coast Mariners and played four league games and three cup

games with two goals in the cup in 2007 to his credit. His league debut was on 27th May, even though he had appeared in the Cup a week or so earlier.

His debut goal came against Fraser Park in the Cup fourth round, emanating in the twentyfourth minute. Tynan Diaz and Ballamodou Conde were involved in the lead-up. Petrie on receipt of the ball moved to the left and powered a left footed drive past the custodian His other strike was in the Cup semi final at Seymour Shaw Park against the Illawarra side Dandaloo Lions. Petrie scored his team's second goal roundabout a quarter of an hour in. Steve Hayes produced a stinging shot that the goalkeeper kept out but not controlled. The ball found Petrie. This opportunity was too good to be missed. Petrie's ensuing shot was rammed into the goal. The striker's experience showed and he assisted his teammates. He produced passes to set up attacks, held possession well and ran at the defence. His final game on 24th June 2007 versus APIA Leichhardt. He stated post match -'I have enjoyed my time here and hope that the boys can keep it going'.

Petrie first played in Australia with Northern Spirit in the NSL scored before having a short stint with Geylang United in Singapore then back to Australia with Blacktown City. The Mariners was his next port of call, scoring on his debut.

His Scottish clubs include Forfar Athletic and Dunfermline Athletic, which prior to Australian jaunt with Ross County. He since has moved into coaching and management roles, first as assistant with North Queensland Fury in the A League, Arbroath, Forfar Athletic, and Brought Athletic and now Montrose in 2016.

#### 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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#### FERNHILL JUNIOR FOOOTBALL CLUB



Our local football club for our Round 7 home game against Bonnyrigg White Eagles is Fernhill Junior Football Club.

Officially formed in 1955, Fernhill has been fostering and nurturing junior footballers for decades and continues to provide the best possible junior environment for our budding future stars of tomorrow. Wollongong Wolves First Grade Coach, Jacob Timpano, knows firsthand the crucial role clubs like Fernhill play in kids development as he was a Fernhill junior himself, starting off his career at Ray Robinson Field.

As with all our local clubs, volunteers play a crucial role in all aspects of Fernhill's operations. Without their dedication and loyalty, and untold hours of unpaid work and commitment, football across our region would suffer significantly.

One of the unsung heroes at Fernill Junior Football Club is Andrew Muirhead.

Andrew has been a tireless servant of the club for 20 years and continues to assist, whenever

and wherever needed, despite his children no longer playing in Fernhill's junior ranks. Andrew started at Fernhill as most people do, registering his 2 children to play football and immediately assumed the role of Treasure. He is still treasurer to this day. During Andrew's tenure as treasurer he has placed Fernhill in a very healthy position and in doing so, has been able to pass on many benefits to the families and players of Fernhill.

Andrew is continually offering assistance to Fernhill and its affiliations, whether it's on a committee, coaching, refereeing or supporting the many young junior teams. Andrew has also worked with the women's association by coaching a women's over age team and until recently as a player with the Fernhill men's Over 35's team.

Andrew's other roles at Fernhill Juniors have been numerous and varied, having been a successful team manager and coach for junior teams, he has also acquired qualifications as a referee and in doing so not only referees games at no cost to the club, but also helps mentor the younger juniors who referee. He is Ferhill's referee coordinator, part of the grading committee and has taken on an interim coaching role while teams with new coaches find their feet, he marks out the



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fields, mows the ground ....the list goes on.

He is a quiet achiever, there'd be many people at Fernhill who wouldn't even recognise him, or realise how much he does to help behind the scenes.

He will always continue to help, even if it's just to pass on his experience and wisdom.

Andrew is one of Fernhill's finest and his contribution to the club will forever be remembered and acknowledged.

Congratulations Andrew for your incredible contribution to Fernhill Junior Football Club and to our beautiful game.









#### THE LONG RUN



In his three stints at the Wolves, the midfield player Steve Hayes, has attained an over all 'long run' at the club in the NSW top flight competition and can be truly designated a Wolves club stalwart. He has been. with the club through the triumphs and disappointments, being in the 2008 team that won the Championship by four goals to one but also being in the 2009 squad that concluded the season at the bottom of the standings with only one solitary victory. He was at the club when the team won the Tiger Turf Cup (now Waratah Cup) in 2007 through to the FFA Cup Round of 32 for the first time in 2014 but was injured early in that season so missed the occasion. He has however, as a measure of his standing, captained the side at various times in an exemplary manner. In addition, he is one of only twenty players to have achieved over a hundred league appearances for the club.

The midfielder is also one of only of a very small number of players that has played with the club in four of its permutations - Wollongong FC, Wollongong Wolves, Wollongong Community FC and South Coast Wolves.

Prior to his Wolves' tenure, Hayes played for the Canberra team, Belconnen Blue Devils before coming to the club, together with a few Devils teammates for the 2006 season, staying on for a further three seasons before leaving at the end of 2009. At the Blue Devils he played against the Wolves in the 2004/05 competition and he was to do exactly this in the future.

In his inaugural 2006 season at the age of twenty-one, Hayes did not take to the field until Round 3 APIA Leichhardt match on the 3rd March with his debut Wolves goal coming four rounds later versus Parramatta on the 2nd April 2006. His goal was the fourth of the night. A poor clearance from Parramatta ensured an alert Hayes seized upon the ball and subsequently powered a low trajectory shot into the goal in the ninetieth minute. Two more goals were achieved in this season, occurring in Round 10 and the final round, Round 18. He made a total of thirteen league appearances with one cup start.

In 2007, the team won the Tiger Turf Cup

(Waratah Cup) and Hayes at Seymour Shaw Park, earned a penalty after he had beaten a few players with his deft skill before being unceremoniously cut down. The penalty was duly converted by the team's striker. Hayes' season scoring tally was one goal and this eventuated in Round 16 away to Blacktown City. In all, he made fourteen starting league appearances and two from the bench plus three cup games in this particular year.

The next season the Wolves achieved one of the club's highest scoring matches with a 7-0 victory versus the Round 15 opponent Macarthur Rams, with Hayes scoring the sixth goal in the seventieth minute. A defender slipped in the rain affected going, allowing Haves to go around him to propel the ball into any unoccupied goal. He stated post match -'it was good finally to score a few goals. We've wanted to do that for a long time. It's been coming. I am glad that it happened at our home ground for once to show the crowd that we are a good team. I was lucky to score. It was a tap in that's all it was but I don't care how I get them. It was a good team effort tonight and everyone had a good game.'

Later, he added a second goal in the 3-0 Round 20 Blacktown City win. A striker had burst down the centre but could not find space to shoot with defenders obscuring view of the target. He then cut a pass back to Hayes, who certainly made it count with a well-struck shot that zoomed into the goal. He stated post match - 'Yeah, you could say it was sweetly struck. Thanks to Ilija, who set it up, but I've got to take these chances.' His was the third goal of three, struck in the seventy third minute.

The team surged during the 2008 season picking up points here, there and everywhere and Hayes was to the fore in this successful side.

In the 2008 Grand Final, Hayes was adjudged the 'Player Of the Match'. At season's end, he had played twenty-one league games, one cup and two finals matches. He scored two goals, with his second versus Blacktown City in Round 20.

Hayes was again one of the shining lights in an unfortunate team's 2009 season. Achieving nineteen starting league appearances and

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one cup game, he tallied three goals. It was a consolation goal for his first against Sutherland in a game that was played at Slacky Flat, Bulli. His was the last goal of six for the match, scored in the eighty fourth minute. He was a long way from the goalmouth and produced a thunderbolt that rocketed into the net, surprising all and sundry. It was a good captain's knock despite the result. Round 11 with the opposition being APIA was when his second strike was achieved. A lofted pass from the back had found Hayes. On receipt, he slotted home past the outstretched custodian on seventy-eight minutes. He goaled versus Sydney Olympic and renowned goalkeeper Mark Bosnich in Round 15 at Hooka Creek Park (Macedonia Park), Berkeley. Hayes headed home following a headed pass to him beforehand. In this match he also tackled Bosnich on the edge of the box.

Earlier in the season, the team lost unfortunately by an own goal in the Round 3 Sydney United clash. Hayes stated on the own goal - That's football. Sometimes things go your way, but not today. Very positive things came out the game today. All the young players are standing up really well. We have to keep it going'.

This was his last year for his first stint and in the final match of the season, he scored in the 6-5 loss to APIA. The ball was headed to Hayes on twenty- seven minutes. He subsequently created some space before sending the ball powerfully on its way into the net. This goal was the fourth one scored.

In 2010 Hayes moved to Sydney United and stayed there for three years. In his first return against the Wolves in 2010, he stated following his team's earlier draws -'It was good to little turnaround for us, a good victory. It was one of those games where the weather and the pitch played a big part. So counter attacks was where we could take advantage.' Being in a stronger side, his team qualified in 3rd position bowing out in the finals at the Preliminary Final stage.

In his second year of his spell at the Edensor Park club, he scored a season high of five goals and added another in the Major Semi Final. His play was consistently impressive and he was

included in the 2011 'Team Of The Year.' He was lauded as he achieved the ultimate NSW Premier League Gold Medal for the 'Player Of The Year', prestigious honour and one well deserved.

His final season saw his United team being beaten 6-3 by the Wolves in Round 15 and post match he stated – 'It was a slow day for us. We felt good going forward but silly mistakes at the back did not help. I'm not blaming the defenders as everyone in the team has to defend as well as attack.' He scored one goal versus Blacktown City in Round 14 in the seventy-fifth minute.

In 2013, he plied his trade in India with United Sikkim before returning to Australia for the Wolves during the competition. He played his initial match in Round 11 and subsequently played eleven more. He was captain again in the Round 18 1-0 victory over Rockdale City. In the close 2-1 loss to Manly United -'we took an early lead and things were great. I think we played really well in patches. It was a pretty tough game and a seesawing battle, but maybe it would have been better to get the foot on the ball a little more and may be slow the game down a little bit.'

The next season he had only signed on again two days before he played in a Round 4 Preseason Cup Marconi Stallions game. Just on halftime, he went down after twisting and turning to elude the defence. He sustained a season defining knee injury and played no further on field role during the season but assisted in the dressing room.

After a long lay off, he made another overseas sojourn, this time to Hong Kong with Biu Chun Rangers in 2014 before appearing with northern neighbours Sutherland Sharks in 2015 and 2016, numbering a total of 30 appearances with a two goal haul, one in each year. He scored against Bonnyrigg White Eagles and APIA Leichhardt in Round 11. Following his display against Marconi in Round 20 he made the 2015 'Team Of the Week'.

Following 2015 Wolves Sutherland match, he stated - it wasn't what we wanted of course. Silly mistakes cost us and we did not show up against a team that is struggling and has a new coach. We let them run at us.. We could



have scored but all credit to the Wolves. They battled hard... We can look very ordinary or look very classy.'

In the 2016 Round 8 match up, Hayes stated -There was nothing between us on the table but with this result (3-1), Wollongong deserve their win on the day. They won the 50/50's and that was the difference. It was not that we did not try.'

He was a returnee for the Wolves in 2017 and played 18 times in the league with one cup substitute on appearance. In a must win game in order to qualify for the finals series, versus Rockdale City Suns in the penultimate round. the team faltered, losing 2-1. Hayes - 'You were right. We were a bit sluggish and a little lethargic and it was a game we needed to win. The goal certainly lifted us and we could have snatched something at the end. It is hard to know why we played like that. We were trying to play finals football, that was our aim and if you can't get yourself up for these games you haven't got a pulse. They showed more urgency than us. For whatever reason I'm not sure.'

Earlier in the season, following the 3-0 victory over Parramatta FC (Round 12) at WIN Stadium, Hayes stated - 'we were all really gutted after last week's game (Sydney FC winning with a late strike). When we at least should have got a point. It was good to get ninety minutes under the belt. You never like not playing.' In this match Hayes was to the fore winning the ball in tackles, intercepting passes and shutting down attacking forays.

Following the final match in 2017 against Sydney FC with a 6-1 result, he stated -Yes, it has been a very long time since I scored one and it was good to hit the back of the net. We had a lot more energy around the team with a last throw of the dice with the sniff we had about getting into the finals. We gave it our all.. It was also good to get this much support.' This solitary strike of the season emanated from a pass that was laid into the marauding Hayes' path. He motored forward and let it rip successfully into the goal forty-nine minutes in.

For the club, Hayes' total goal haul was ten, with three in 2006, one in 2007, two in 2008, three in 2009 and one in 2017.

Teammates and coaches have at times stated their appreciation for his ability and endeavours. Striker James Monie stated following the 2009 Sydney Olympic match - 'it's good having Haysey just behind. He works so hard and it's like having another striker up there with you.' Coach Glenn Fontana - 'And Hayes again'. Coach Richard Lloyd following the 2013 Round 22 relegation battle with Central Coast Mariners - 'Hayes is always top shelf, a top bloke and a top player. He leads and they follow. I'm sure he travels about twelve or thirteen kilometres a game.'

Steve Hayes has been at the club for a total of seven seasons with 2018 being his eighth, and he has given his all in every game that he has played. He is an easy recognizable, resolute, indeflatable, enterprising, classy and genuine midfield player, with a never say die attitude. For the club, he has achieved one hundred and five league games, eight cup appearances and two starts in finals matches (up until Round 6, 2018).

He started in the FFA Cup Round 4 match versus Kellyville Kolts on 4th April and was the general in the open play, setting up attacks, having a throw at the stumps himself, winning the ball in a totally impressive display. He copped a whack late in proceedings, which required some degree of ice treatment to put a disappointing twist in the tale.

However, he recovered quickly enough to start and play the entire game, four days later in the Round 5 Hakoah Sydney City East being the playmaker to assist his team to another victory.

Even though he has played with other clubs, he has spent more time with the Wolves' club than indeed any other. He has indeed had a 'long run', a successful long run at that, and it's not over yet.

#### By Malcolm Rowney

(Players' and coaches' comments were originally taken from interviews conducted by this writer for inclusion in the match reports of the time.)





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- 8. BRENDAN GRIFFIN
- 9. PETER SIMONOSKI
- 10. IOSHUA MACDONALD

- 14. ETHAN KAMBISIOS
- 15. JAMES MARKOVIC
- 16. LUKE KAIRIES (GK)
- 17. RYAN ENSOR
- 21. CAOIMHIN FOWLER
- 23. STEVEN HAYES
- 28. MICHAEL STOIANOVSKI
- 30. YUZO TASHIRO
- 40. TAKUYA NOZAWA

COACH: JACOB TIMPANO ASSISTANT: NICK MONTGOMERY ASSISTANT: ALFREDO ESTEVES MANAGER: ROBERT POSITTI PHYSIO: MATTHEW WHALAN ANALYSIST: JULIO MIRANDA



- 1 JAMES CHRONOPOULOS (GK)
- 21 DAVID BRADASEVIC (GK)
- 2 ARRON AVERY
- 3 DAVID VRANKOVIC
- 4 NIKOLA KRLJAR
- 6 NIKOLA ZONIIC
- 7 TYNAN DIAZ
- 9 AARON PETERSON
- 10 SHERVIN ADELL
- 11 ASMIR KADRIC

- 12 DEAN BEREVESKOS
- 13 JAMES MCKENZIE
- 14 BRADIE SMITH
- 15 RAY MILLER
- 16 SAM GALLAWAY
- 17 IAMES O'ROURKE
- 18 MUN-SOO GIL
- 19 GREG KONDEK
- 20 BEN TOSI
- 22 JAEWOOK WOO

COACH: BRIAN BROWN ASSISTANT COACH: MILAN SUSAK

**MANAGER: IAN ARNOTT** 

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### **TEAM OF THE WEEK**



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### **FIRST GRADE NPL NSW MEN'S**

POS	TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
1	APIA Leichhardt Tigers FC	6	5	0	1	15	4	11	15
2	Sydney Olympic FC	6	5	0	1	9	5	4	15
3	Blacktown City FC	6	3	2	1	8	2	6	11
4	Sutherland Sharks FC	6	3	1	2	10	7	3	10
5	Wollongong Wolves FC	5	3	1	1	5	5	0	10
6	Sydney United 58 FC	5	3	0	2	11	7	4	9
7	Rockdale City Suns FC	6	2	1	3	10	15	-5	7
8	Hakoah Sydney City East FC	6	1	2	3	9	10	-1	5
9	Manly United FC	6	1	2	3	10	13	-3	5
10	Marconi Stallions FC	6	1	2	3	6	11	-5	5
11	Sydney FC	6	1	1	4	11	16	-5	4
12	Bonnyrigg White Eagles FC	6	0	2	4	8	17	-9	2

### **U20'S NPL NSW MEN'S**

POS	TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
1	Sutherland Sharks FC	6	5	1	0	17	6	11	16
2	Blacktown City FC	6	4	0	2	13	6	7	12
3	Sydney FC	6	3	2	1	18	17	1	11
4	Sydney United 58 FC	6	3	1	2	12	7	5	10
5	Wollongong Wolves FC	6	3	0	3	10	11	-1	9
6	Marconi Stallions FC	5	2	1	2	6	8	-2	7
7	Hakoah Sydney City East FC	6	2	1	3	11	15	-4	7
8	Manly United FC	5	1	2	2	7	6	1	5
9	Bonnyrigg White Eagles FC	6	1	2	3	8	13	-5	5
10	Rockdale City Suns FC	6	1	2	3	5	14	-9	5
11	APIA Leichhardt Tigers FC	3	1	0	2	7	5	2	3
12	Sydney Olympic FC	5	1	0	4	4	10	-6	3



### **U18'S NPL NSW MEN'S**

POS	TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
1	Hakoah Sydney City East FC	6	5	1	0	10	4	6	16
2	Blacktown City FC	6	5	0	1	15	7	8	15
3	Sydney FC	6	4	1	1	15	6	9	13
4	Rockdale City Suns FC	6	4	1	1	14	7	7	13
5	Marconi Stallions FC	5	3	1	1	10	5	5	10
6	Manly United FC	5	2	1	2	11	7	4	7
7	Sutherland Sharks FC	6	2	1	3	6	6	0	7
8	Wollongong Wolves FC	6	2	0	4	4	10	-6	6
9	Bonnyrigg White Eagles FC	6	1	2	3	9	15	-6	5
10	Sydney United 58 FC	6	1	0	5	2	10	-8	3
11	APIA Leichhardt Tigers FC	3	0	0	3	2	8	-6	0
12	Sydney Olympic FC	5	0	0	5	2	15	-13	0



### **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP**



CLUB	PLAYED	U18'S	U20'S	1ST	TOTAL
Blacktown City FC	18	15	24	44	83
Sutherland Sharks FC	18	7	32	40	79
APIA Leichhardt Tigers FC	12	0	6	60	66
Sydney Olympic FC	16	0	6	60	66
Wollongong Wolves FC	17	6	18	40	64
Sydney United 58 FC	17	3	20	36	59
Rockdale City Suns FC	18	13	10	28	51
Sydney FC	18	13	22	16	51
Hakoah Sydney City East FC	18	16	14	20	50
Marconi Stallions FC	16	10	14	20	44
Manly United FC	16	7	10	20	37
Bonnyrigg White Eagles FC	18	5	10	8	23

#### **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP RANKING**

Football NSW will use the following process when ranking the Clubs within each Competition: NPL NSW Men's, NPL 2 NSW Men's, NPL 3 NSW Men's and Men's State League – senior club championship with points calculated from all Premiership Matches in all grades using the following system;

GRADE	POINTS MULTIPLIER
1st Grade	Premiership Points X 4
U20	Premiership Points X 2
U18	Premiership Points X 1

Club championships for all NPL Men's and Women's are available online: nplnsw.com.au/club-championship/



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### **TEAM LISTS**

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#### **UNDER 16s**



Luke Genua Sebastian Black Tyson Black Lachlan Bryce **Javden Calver** Navarone Dariani Harrison Dennis Owen Fitzpatrick Lewis Grimshaw Anthony Krsteski Rocky Lavalle Keegan Matias Mason Mayridis Michael Mendes Will Nattrass Noah Vidler Coach: Manny Mavridis Assistant: Tom Anagnostopoulos

Manager: Kimberley Fitzpatrick

#### **UNDER 15s**



Luke Morgan Harrison Anagnostopou-los Brandon Angelevski Antoni Anic Andrew Aston Deakin Brownlee Salvatore Di Bella Ryan Doig Dax Kellv Gabriel Krsteski Tony Krstevski Logan Mathie Oliver Mitrevski Daniel Payne Rilev Smithson Omezikam Uchendu Coach: Steve Honey Assistant: Allan Iones 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 Ioshua 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 lavden Branovski Chisholm Brown Beniamin Caroutas Jay De Gouveia Callum Donnelly Aleksandar Dulevski Damon Grav Kyron Guevara Jyden Harb Cooper Kerridge Noah McNeill Aiden Miranda loel Palermo Sebastian Tomasiello Kalani Vella

Coach: Andrew Thompson Assistant: Phil Vidler Manager: Anthony Palermo

#### **UNDER 12s**



Max Atsas Thomas Bent-Genge Alessandro Calmasini Noah Crapis Max Cunial Lachlan Flood Lachlan Groves Adam Kairis Ioshua Keir Martin Kolevski Heath Marsden Liam Mayridis Tristan Nikolovski Adrian Pontone Harry Taylor Miles Thompson Thomas Tugrul Christian Vuiic Kieran Wardle Harry Wililo

Coach: Brendan Griffin



### **TEAM LISTS**

#### **UNDER 11s**



Christian Anagnos-topoulos Lenny Atsas Tai Demito Ben Harman **Jacob Hastings** Kyan Hawke Oscar Kiely Micah Leimbach Michael Marijan Noah Mathie Odhran McDermott Ryan Molnar Rishay Patel John Perri Beau Randle Lennox Roodenrys Jimmy Skarvelis Ashton Stapleton Noah Stella Zane Stroemer

Coach: Alfredo Esteves

#### **UNDER 10s**



Christian Beleski James Benedetti Billy Beniuk James Calci Cooper Ellis Kolby Guevara Axl Hornby Khaled Houchaymi Isaac Kostovski Gabriel Lombardi 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 Caldrmoski Kahuitara-Te Ra Chase **Jack Foley** Fabian Gaudiosi Leo Halios-Lewis Jarrah Longbottom Kingston McLerie Zachary McNeill Jared Mihajlovic Novak Novakovic Declan Pearce Diego Sansone Leroy Szanto Lewis Tomlinson

Coach: Chris Halios-Lewis



#### **TEAM LISTS - U20'S**





- 1 **Bailey Kubecka**
- 2 Louis Connell
- 3 4 **Kyle Senior**
- lack Hooper
- 5 lared Wilev
- 6 Brodie Clarkson
- 7 Branislav Radmanovic
- 8 **lames Carli**

Coach: lames Ford Manager: Robert Positti

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



- 23 Amar Adilovic
- Michael Borg 24
- 25 Taylor Cambaz
- 26 Jordan Cracknell
- 27 Damian Cupac
- 28 Peter Kim
- 29 Nikola Kremenovic
- Daniel Krkovski 30

Coach: Hamis Brown Manager: Neven Cupac

- Dean Krkovski
- 33 Francesco Terranova
- 34 Alexander Zarafetas
- 35 Milan Parenta
- Ishtiyak Shah 37
- 38 Tanweer Shah
- 40 Max Rowston (GK)

### **U18'S**



- 1 Brendon Krcanoski
- 2 Luke Day
- 3 Kavne Kotevski
- 4 Ioshua Alcorn
- 5 Tim Chapman
- 6 Jordyn Della Vedova
- 7 lason Pappas
- 8 Brendan Mitrovski
- 9 **Joel Starr**

Coach: Richard Lloyd

Assistant Coach: Scott Nicholls

Manager: Robbie Day

Jake Levy Samuel Miranda 11

12 Ioshua Correia l iam Rae

13

10

14 **Brendan Low** 15 Jarrod Alston

16 Havden Purkiss



- 65 Bao Nguyen
- 66 Ljubisav Bogicevic
- 67 Ioshua Bourke
- 68 Ngor Deng
- 69 Pavle Drca
- 70
- Peter Harb 71 lavden Whittle
- Lachlan Hancock

Coach: Ray Mandic Manager: Tom Vucicevic

- Connor Evans (GK)
- 74 Marko Krljar
- 75 Joseph Leto
- 76 Max Rowston (GK)
- 77 Michael Martone
- 78 **Nenad Romic**
- 80 Nikola Stegniaic
- 81 Callum Garrett



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#### **NIL RECURRING**



Despite ninety plus minutes being played, some games conclude with nary a solitary goal being scored, and this result crops up from time to time. In fourteen Wolves' seasons such results have not been in evidence, while in twenty-three years this result did occur, eight of these with only one incidence in a season while the highest occurrence was six. While some scoreless stalemates can be dour affairs, others can be end-to-end excitement.

Two years ago, two scoreless draws emanated. The first was in the 2016 Round 9 encounter at Lambert Park with Sydney Olympic being the opposition. In Round 15 Blacktown Spartans kept the Wolves scoreless. Players involved were Justin Pasfield, Kota Kawase, Darcy Madden, James Baldacchino, Zac MacKenzie, Chris Price, Brendan Griffin, David Stojic, Ben Zucco, Nicolas Bernal, Joshua Macdonald and Sam Matthews.

In general, there were a number of nil nil score lines that came in successive games and teams Preston and APIA Leichhardt featured quite a number of times, as did South Melbourne. In addition, Round 2 was indeed a popular time and it happened on five occasions with the opening round on five occasions ending this way.

The season with the highest tally of six no score games was the 1991/92 season with these results being spread across the twentysix games. Two of these results involved the same team and despite playing one hundred and eighty minutes the deadlock could not be broken. The team involved was Preston in Rounds 12 and 25. The initial 0-0 draw came in Round 2 versus Parramatta Eagles followed guickly by the Round 3 West Adelaide game. At home to Adelaide City in the Round 12 saw the same result in consecutive weeks in Rounds 24 and 25 versus South Melbourne and Preston. once again. Players who on the field for these games were Mike O'Shea, David Green, Charlie Yankos, Mike Hollifield, David Skeen, Kevin Hagan, Claudio Cellini, Craig Sharpley, Richard Lloyd, Pat Brodnik, Matthew Horsley, Mike Smith, John Filan, Alex Bundalo, Jock Morlando, Grant Bard, Sasho Dimoski, Frank Bate, Martin Bourke and Mineo Bonetig.

Five was the next tally with two years sharing, the 1989 and 1993/94 seasons with twenty-six games in each. The 1989 season began away to APIA before the next occurred in Round 6 with the opposition being Sunshine George Cross. St.George in Round 18, Marconi in Round 23 and Sydney Olympic in Round 25 were the others. Warwick Young, Mike Hollifield, Jock Morlando, David Skeen, Peter Kotamanidis, Ray Vlietstra, Rade Stefanovski, Mineo Bonetig, Danny Crainie, Randall Easthorpe, Pat Brodnik, Robert Giraldi, Jason Higgs, John Brown, Brian Cokely, Ernesto Lorca, Walter Calbanese, George Bouhoutsos, Tom Pontidas, and Sean Ingham.

It was Round 2 in 1993/94 versus Parramatta Eagles and the very next week versus West Adelaide and then Round 10 with Adelaide City. Two weeks later, the same result was ratified against Preston, before the final two of the year being in successive weeks, Rounds 24 and 25 against South Melbourne and Preston. These involved players were 1993/94 season players were Brett Hughes, Mike O'Shea, Charlie Yankos, Steve Forshaw, Martin Bourke, Richard Lloyd, Matthew Horsley, Dale White, Scott Ollerenshaw, Anthony Surjan, Mark Troth Paul McFadden, Sasho Dimoski, Mike Grbevski, Pedro Ricoy, Martin Akers, Vaughn Coveny and Stuart McLaren.

Four scoreless draws happened in 1990/91 and in 2002/03. Round 2 was the first in 1990/91 and not again until successive ones in Rounds 13 and 14 with APIA and Preston being the opponents. Round 23 was the final one versus South Melbourne. It was indeed another Round 2 against Parramatta Power and round 4 and 6 and then Round 18. These were the players involved - George Bouhoutsos, David Green, Charlie Yankos, Jock Morlando, David Skeen, Zivko Hristovski, Declan McEvoy, Jeff Allport, Ibro Cahut, Mladin Kuc, Jason Aldridge, Lawrie McKinna, Tony Pezzano, Frank Bate, Claudio Cellini, Richard Lloyd, Mike Hollifield, David Ratcliffe, Paul Farmer, and Pat Brodnik.

In 2002/03 again Round 2 was the first occurrence, followed by Rounds 4, 6 and 19 versus Parramatta Power, Auckland Football Kingz, and South Melbourne with South

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Melbourne in the return meeting respectively. Andrew Crews, Liam Austin, Robert Stanton, David Cervinski, Alex Castro, Zejlko Babic, Dustin Wells, Shane Lyons, Stuart Young, Naum Sekolovski, Buddy Farah, Dean Heffernan, David Huxley, Dino Mennillo, Daniel Aliffi and Ben Blake comprised the players.

The most recent 'stalemate' encounter was in Round 1 with Blacktown City and the Wolves looking to begin the season with a positive result. This match with a nil score but as these matches can go, this one was exciting end-to-end play with goalmouth action aplenty. Justin Pasfield, Michael Robinson, James Baldacchino, Nick Montgomery (Capt.), Chris Price, Joshua Macdonald, Caoimhim 'Quivi Fowler, Ryan Ensor Simonoski, Michael Stojanovski, Taylor McDonald, Yuzo Tashiro and Takuya Nozawa comprised the line-up.

In all, there has been a total of fifty-five 'nil recurring' games played in the seasons since 1981 and up to Round 1 2018. As there have been nine hundred and twenty-one league games, the percentage ratio of nil nil scores to total number of games is 0.016.

By Malcolm Rowney





### **TOP GOAL SCORERS**



NAME AND CLUB	GOALS SCORED
Jeremy Cox (Sydney FC)	5
Adrian Vranic (Sutherland Sharks)	5
Panny Nikas (Sydney United 58)	5
Alejandro Sanchez (Sydney Olympic)	4
Alec Urosevski (Rockdale City Suns)	4
Chris Payne (Sydney United 58)	4
Tasuku Sekiya (APIA Leichhardt Tigers)	4
Jordan Murray (APIA Leichhardt Tigers)	4
Sean Symons (APIA Leichhardt Tigers)	3
Charles Mendy (Blacktown City)	3
Hassan Jalloh (Sydney FC)	3
Jaewook Woo (Bonnyrigg White Eagles)	3
Peter Simonoski (Wollongong Wolves)	3
Nick Olsen (Sutherland Sharks)	3
Jason Madonis (Sydney Olympic)	3
Patrick Antelmi (Sydney United 58)	3
Nikola Taneski (Manly United)	3



\*Does not include FFA Cup goals







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## HOME GROUND WIN STADIUM Harbour St, Wollongong

ROUND 1 Blacktown City FC 0-0 ROUND 2 Rockdale City Suns FC 1-0

ROUND 7 Sunday 22nd April @ 15:00 Bonnyrigg White Eagles FC ROUND 9 Sunday 6th May @ 15:00 Manly United FC

ROUND 14 Saturday 9th June @ 19:00 Sydney FC

ROUND 17 Sunday 1st July @ 15:00 Sydney United 58 FC ROUND 15 Sunday 17th June @ 15:00 Albert Butler Memorial Park Sutherland Sharks FC

ROUND 19 Saturday 21st July @ 19:00 APIA Leichhardt Tigers FC ROUND 11 Sunday 20th May @ 15:00 Marconi Stallions FC

ROUND 16 Saturday 23rd June @ 19:00 Hakoah Sydney City East FC

ROUND 21 Sunday 5th August @ 15:00 Sydney Olympic FC









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