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NSW MEN'S

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NPL ROUND 1 - LAMBERT PARK

Sunday 10th March



Mens
1st Grade
7:00pm

Womens
1st Grade
5:00pm



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CLUB WELCOME

We welcome our players, sponsors, supporters, members and guests to boutique Lambert Park for Round 1 of the NPL Competition.

Today we celebrate the 'Festival of Football' where Australia's leading NPL club APIA Leichhardt FC showcases both its Men's and Women's teams in a full day program.

We welcome the Marconi Stallions (Men's) and Gladesville Ravens (Women's), and travelling supporters to Lambert Park.

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Jim Apostolovski
Chairman



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NPL SEASON LAUNCH

EXCITING SEASON AHEAD

The National Premier Leagues NSW 2019 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, Football NSW Board Members and Major Sponsors.

A player's panel representing both top tier National Premier Leagues NSW Men's and Women's competitions took shape as Marconi Stallions coach Peter Tsekenis, Sydney FC's rising young gun Luke Ivanovic, Sydney Olympic's Spanish sensation Alejandro Sanchez, Football NSW Institute coach Leah Blayney, Sydney University's W-League star Taren King and former Socceroo ace Scott Chipperfield who is now the Illawarra Stingrays coach all promoted the key role the NPL has played with the continual development of the world game in NSW.

The launch also played way to Football NSW announcing its landmark three-year live stream deal that will see all six NPL NSW Men's and Women's matches live streamed as well as a match of the round for the NPL 2 NSW Men's competition on top of each of the NPL NSW Men's 20's matches.

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 2019 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.

"It's a great way to launch the year with our blockbuster live stream deal that will see us watch a plethora of football action each and every NPL weekend from both top tiers of our NPL as well as a match of the round in the NPL 2 NSW Men's.

"I would like to wish all the clubs the best of luck as I know we will be treated to some fantastic football this year."

Both the National Premier Leagues NSW Men's and Women's competitions commence on Sunday the 10th of March with some huge clashes that are sure to light up both leagues to kick off round 1 proceedings.

Sportswear giant MITRE will once again support the competition as the Official Ball of the NPL NSW Men's and Women's Competitions using the Delta Max for each of the respective matches this season.



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1ST GRADE TEAM LISTS



1	Ivan	Necevski	(GK)
3	Paul	Galimi	
4	Josh	Symons	
6	Chris	Payne	
7	Tynan	Diaz	
8	Corey	Biczo	
10	Franco	Parisi	
12	Sam	McIlhatton	
13	David	D'Apuzzo	
14	Lachlan	Hughes	
15	Themba	Muata-Marlow	
16	Sean	Symons	
17	Sam	Gulisano	
18	Adrian	Uchino	
19	Dom	Nasrabadi	
20	Michael	Trajkovski	
21	Michael	Kouta	
22	Blake	Tuxford	(GK)

Coach: John Calleja

Managers: Joe Calabro, Vincent Leto, Sergio

Bucciarelli, Sam Barletta

Physio: Michael Sawan

1	Nenad	Vekic
2	Nathan	Millgate
3	Giorgio	Speranza
4	Roberto	Speranza
5	James	Baldacchino
7	Sean	O'Connell
8	Connor	Evans
9	Anthony	Frangie
10	Marko	Jesic
11	Mitch	Mallia
12	James	Andrew
13	Yianni	Nicolaou
14	Peter	Pelekanos
15	Lachlan	Sepping
16	Liam	Youlley
17	Kristian	Sekutkoski
18	Anthony	Trimboli
19	Zac	Cairncross
20	Richie	Cardozo
21	Mirjan	Pavlovic
23	Brandon	Vella

Coach: Peter Tsekenis

Assistant Coach: Peter Papoythis

Team Manager: Frank Mammoliti

Goal Keeper Coach: Ante Covic

Strength & Conditioning Coach: Brett Studman

Gear Steward: Robert Tolomeo, Robert Filippin, Laborio Bivona

Referee: B. Abraham
Assistant Referees: N. Backo, N. Kour
Fourth Official: S. Grasso

*TEAM LISTINGS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

1. NECEVSKI



3. GALIMI



4. J SYMONS



6. PAYNE



7. DIAZ



8. BICZO



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10. PARISI



PARISI

12. MCILLHATTON



13. D'APUZZO



14. HUGHES



15. MUATA-MARLOW



16. S SYMONS



17. GULISANO



18. UCCHINO



19. NASRABADI



20. TRAJKOVSKI



21. KOUTA



22. TUXFORD



JOHN CALLEJA



FIRST GRADE MATCH PREVIEW

The Match of the Round that is sure to dominate in more ways than one closes what should be a massive 'Super Sunday' at Lambert Park as two familiar foes meet in the form of APIA Leichhardt Tigers and Marconi Stallions.

Both clubs have bought incredibly this year meaning a number of high-quality players will be on show on Sunday evening.

Could this be a possible Grand Final match? Very early to say but looking at both team rosters you'd think it would be a big chance.

The Tigers will have John Calleja as the gaffer and his experience will be needed to steer this team towards some silverware.

APIA have recruited well with Sam McIlhatton set to be a key signing. The pint-sized midfielder was arguably Sydney FC's best player last year in the NPL as the then captain pulled in some massive performances for the club that earned him the status of one of the players to watch for 2019.

He will be joined by some familiar faces with former Bonnyrigg White Eagles star Tynan Diaz and ex-Sydney United 58 goal getter Chris Payne as well as former Hakoah star Michael Kouta calling Lambert Park home.

The club has again retained the services of captain Sean Symons, brother Josh, Ivan Necevski, Themba Muata Marlow, Paul Galimi, Corey Biczko, David D'Apuzzo and of course the APIA Legend himself, Franco Parisi, who will once again strut his stuff like no other player does in the NPL NSW Men's competition.

Their opponents the Stallions come into this match as probably one of the punters favourites to win the league.

Why wouldn't they when they've recruited some of the best players out in the NPL NSW Men's competition.

Nathan Millgate will hope to enter the correct dressing room after spending the last few seasons with the Tigers, will make his debut with the Stallions – what a way to kick your career off with your new club against your former right?

Joining Millgate will be a host of former Blacktown City FC stars, five in fact, with the Speranza brothers Roberto and Giorgio, Connor Evans, Mitchell Mallia and Zach Cairncross making their much publicized moves.

Former Hakoah star Anthony Frangie will add firepower up top while former Wolves defender James Baldacchino is set to sturdy up the club's defence.

A familiar face returns to the NPL NSW Men's competition in the form of lethal marksman Richie Cardozo, a player coach Peter Tsekenis hopes will hit the back of the net a number of times this year.

If these names weren't enough to get the Stallions fans excited add in keeper Nenad Vekic, Marko Jesic, a now fully fit Mirjan Pavlovic as well as the deadly speed of James Andrew and you have yourself an almost All-Star squad.

Oh wait, there's also former Western Sydney Wanderer Liam Yulley and the exciting Lachlan Sepping thrown into that mix.

What a match to kick things off for round 1 right?

The pick of the bunch but one that has entertainment plus written all over it.

U20'S MATCH PREVIEW

APIA face a baptism of fire heading into 2019, with their involvement in the Viareggio Cup in Italy meaning they will have to play catch-up for the first few weeks of the new season. Their first match has been set back until March 27, at which point Lambert Park will get its first look at a number of new signings under coach Gerard Peacock. APIA have held onto a few players from last season, and have brought up a number of players from the 18s including Oscar Bernauer and Zeke Prisuda. Assistant coach Matthew Michael says the preseason has been good, with five games in Sydney before the squad made its way to Italy and the bulk of the team gelling well.

APIA's Round 1 opponents are Marconi Stallions, who'll get their season underway next week when they take on Rockdale. Coach Nahuel Arrarte says the Stallions will field a reasonably similar lineup to last year, with additions including Nick Fitzgerald from the Northern Tigers and Ashour Chiba from Central Coast Mariners. He says Marconi have been focussing on tweaking their style of play in the preseason, and have been working hard for when they take to the field in Round 2.



U20'S TEAM LISTS



30	Michael	Van Walsum	(GK)
31	Cameron	Ward	
32	Daniel	Azzone	
33	Peter	Nichols	
34	Zander	Regan	
35	Oscar	Bernauer	
36	Nathan	Mellino	
37	Alexander	Graorovski	
38	Bradley	Dollin	
39	Anthony	Sparacino	
40	Zeke	Prisuda	
41	Jacob	Ritchie	
42	Camil	Abouchaaya	
43	Gian	Fiorese	
44	Christopher	Lountzis	
45	Kashmir	Stelio-Prasad	
46	Nikolas	Blaskovic	
47	Miguel	Da Silva	

Coaches: Gerard Peacock and Matthew Michael
Manager: Joe Garufi

26	Kristofer	Nicolaou
27	Dylan	Locaputo
28	Martin	Fernandez
29	Ethan	Dosanjh
30	Emilio	Fadel
31	Christian	Nascimben
32	Advin	Trbencevic
33	Andrew	Holder
34	Aiden	Kenny
35	Kye	Soares
36	Nicholas	Railz
37	Nicholas	Fitzgerald
38	Billy	Nunes
39	Gian	Sacco
40	Damien	Tsekenis
41	Chiba	Ashour

Coach: Nahuel Arrarte
Assistant Coach: Osvaldo Riva
Team Manager: Robert Tolomeo

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PLAYER OF THE YEAR



	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Rd 6	Rd 7	Rd 8	Rd 9	Rd 10	Rd 11	Rd 12	Rd 13	Rd 14	Rd 15	Rd 16	Rd 17	TOTAL
Ivan Necevski																		
Paul Galimi																		
Josh Symons																		
Chris Payne																		
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1. The Winner of the APIA Player of the Year Award, will accompany APIA's Under 20s Youth Squad to the Annual Viareggio World Cup Youth Tournament, held in Viareggio, Italy, departing usually in January or February annually. However, if the Viareggio Tournament is scheduled outside of either January or February in 2020, then the tour will not go ahead, and the Winner will receive a cash contra prize of \$2.5K.
2. The Runner Up will receive a Complimentary Dinner for Two at Dolcissimo at Haberfield.
3. The 3rd Place Winner will receive the Club's full playing and training kit.
4. The Winner will be announced at the Club's Annual Awards Presentation Gala Fundraising Dinner.



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NPL 2 NSW WOMEN'S TEAM LISTS



FIRST GRADE

1	Courtney	Halpin
2	Jennifer	Bennett
3	Jen	Bisset
4	Lara	Bosnich
5	Olivia	Cicco
6	Lucy	Gilfedder
7	Carla	Canini
8	Cassidy	Chidgey
9	Logan	Garard
10	Filiz	Urkanci
11	Ashleigh	Palombi
12	Maddy	Latham
13	Sarah	Urquhart
14	Rebecca	Watts
15	Nicole	Carmichael
17	Kerrie	Ryan
18	Jessica	Fallah
24	Georgia	Bridges
50	Stephanie	Grimbilos

Head Coach: Matteo Maiorana

Coach: Matt Costantini

Assistant Coach: Roberto Maiorana

Assistant Coach: Paul Costantini

Manager: Alex Cicco



RESERVE GRADE

16	Emma	Mason
26	Ramona	Spicer
27	Hannah	Bollom
28	Bojana	Poletanovic
29	Maddy	Gray
30	Abbey	Harrison
31	Tiarne	Schuman
32	Marissa	Papoulidis
33	Dione	King
34	Emily	Smith
35	Hannah	Macri
36	Nicola	Simmons
37	Kim	Cozens
38	Amelia	Griffin
39	Elizabeth	Donnelly

Coach: Paul De Lucca

Manager: Craig Mason



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U18'S TEAM LISTS



51	Oliver	Hughes
52	Marcus	Apostolakis
53	Joshua	Azzopardi
54	Alexander	Zinnato
55	Yianni	Solidakis
56	Daniel	Azzone
57	Adam	Manoski
58	Nick	Andrews
59	Ryan	Kamper
60	Nate	Dunshea
61	Vincent	Fedele
62	Milos	Anic
63	Bronson	Spencer
64	Asheitip	Amom
70	Jett	Griffiths (GK)
80	Oskar	Beck (GK)

Coach: Sam Solidakis

Assistant Coach: Anthony Mazza

Manager: Jill Shoemark

43	Ivan	Sunjic
44	Zachary	Reardon
45	Luke	Cukar
46	Martino	Domenico
47	Vincenzo	Melissari
48	Jacob	Sebayang
49	Aidan	Milicevic
50	Domenico	Martino
51	Joshua	Ibrahim
52	Marcus	Dosanjih
54	Diego	Bonillo
55	Jayden	Whittle
56	Lachlan	Hancock
57	Jose	Teal
58	Adam	Cukar
59	Jesse	Brown

Coach : Can Ozdemir

Assistant Coach: Atila Stibinger

Team Manager: Robert Tolomeo



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FOOTBALL NSW ANNOUNCEMENT

LANDMARK LIVE STREAMING SCHEDULE FOR NPL NSW

In a major boost for football fans, Football NSW today announced a landmark broadcast schedule for National Premier Leagues (NPL) competitions in NSW.

As part of a three-year production arrangement, NPL NSW fans will see an astonishing 445 matches broadcast, live and free across various platforms in 2019.

This will include all NPL NSW Men's top tier matches, all NPL NSW Women's and all NPL NSW Men's U20 matches.

A "match of the round" from the NPL 2 NSW Men's competition will also be shown.

Football NSW's centrepiece matches including both the NPL NSW Men's and Women's Finals Series as well as the historic Waratah Cup Final will also be broadcast live for fans.

Fans will also be able to watch highlights and games on-demand via Football NSW's NPL social media channels.

In addition to the live coverage, participating clubs, coaches and referees will also have access to vision both live and on-demand throughout the year for ongoing development and analysis.

Football NSW CEO Stuart Hodge was thrilled to announce the plans.

"This is fantastic news for football and our fans," Hodge said.

"Over the past two seasons, we have seen the impact and growth of our live streamed matches and we are delighted to be able to further extend on that success in 2019"

"The broadcast of 445 NPL NSW live matches will be a game-changer for the sporting and commercial profile of the NPL competitions and our clubs."

"Football NSW has continued to enhance our streaming capabilities over the past couple of years. Further growth in this area will harness the growing interest in the NPL competitions."

"Never before has football viewing been more accessible. I'm excited that our top-tier competitions will be available to a worldwide audience."

The live broadcast will commence with the Match of the Round in the opening NPL 2 NSW Men's competition round as Blacktown Spartans take on Bonnyrigg White Eagles on Saturday 2nd of March while all 6 NPL NSW Men's top tier and 20s matches will be streamed live on the 10th of March.

LIVE STREAMS ARE HERE!

Every **NPL NSW Men's** game live

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**HOME GROUND - Lambert Park
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ROUND 1

**Sunday, 10 March - 5pm
v Marconi Stallions FC**

ROUND 2

**Sunday, 17 March - 5.30pm
v Wollongong Wolves FC**

ROUND 5

**Sunday, 7 April - 3.30pm
v Rockdale City Suns FC**

ROUND 7

**Friday, 19 April - 4pm
v Blacktown City FC**

ROUND 10

**Saturday, 11 May - 7pm
v Manly United FC**

ROUND 11

**Sunday, 19 May - 3.30pm
v Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC**

ROUND 14

**Sunday, 9 June - 3.30pm
v Sutherland Sharks FC**

ROUND 15

**Sunday, 16 June - 3.30pm
v Sydney United 58 FC**

ROUND 17

**Sunday, 30 June - 3.30pm
v Hakoah Sydney City East FC**

ROUND 19

**Sunday, 21 July - 3.30pm
v Sydney Olympic FC**

ROUND 20

**Saturday, 27 July - 7pm
v Sydney FC**



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