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# CLUB WELCOME



Apart from those involved in the club I doubt many people would have believed that we would be sitting on top of the table, four points clear and undefeated after 8 rounds. But ultimately, it means very little. What it does create is a target on our backs. Teams are lifting against us as we saw with Sutherland last week. Whilst the Sharks were sitting last on the table, their performance – particularly in the first half – was very good and they made life tough for us. Even though we weren't at our best, we battled hard and could nearly have won it in the end. With all games being filmed, it means that teams have done their homework on us and are ready to step up against us.

Our challenge is now to adapt and bring our best performance week in, week out. We know that teams see us as a significant scalp and we need to be at our best to beat them. And I believe that we are up to the task.

Blacktown City FC are always heavy weights of the competition. They have a strong squad and will be a handful for us today. Injuries are starting to creep in and it's now up to some of the boys who have been on the bench to step up and perform. They now have a chance to cement a place in the starting XI.

There is a great feeling around the club and the culture is excellent. It is up to everyone, including all of our supporters to keep this roll going.

On behalf of myself and all of the players, I'd also like to thank all of the mums and dads who brought their kids to the game on the supporters bus last week. It was great to have your support.

I hope you enjoy today's match.

Justin Pasfield - Captain

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# MATCH PREVIEW



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With the Wollongong Wolves having the best results in years against the visiting Blacktown City from Lily Homes Stadium, Seven Hills in 2018 (two draws), the scene is set at WIN Stadium for another thrilling encounter in this Round 9 fixture of the NPL NSW Mens 1 competition. As the Wolves remain undefeated in their opening eight rounds, opposing teams are lining up in order to inflict a first defeat and Blacktown will no doubt be endeavouring to do just this. However, the Wolves will want to keep this juggernaut going. In past league matches between the two teams, one hundred and thirty-six goals have been scored at an average of 3.3 goals per game.

## THE OPPOSITION TODAY – BLACKTOWN CITY

New recruits to the Blacktown City after losing many experienced players in the off season include James Demetriou from Sydney Olympic and Leroy Jennings from Sutherland Sharks together with the former Sydney FC player William Mutch and player Jackson Bandiera. However, Joey Gibbs, Grant Lynch,

Devante Clut and Matt Lewis will be the lynchpins of the side to guide the younger players throughout the campaign.

Blacktown City last achieved by advancing to the 2017 FFA Cup Quarter Finals before losing the close tie in a penalty shoot out with Western Sydney Wanderers. Blacktown went behind in the third minute penalty kick and James Andrew got his team back to even and this was the score at half time. Andrew brought up his brace before the Wanderers striker scored a second also, with nine minutes to go in extra time. The shoot out was a 4-2 win to the A-League club. The starting eleven were Tristan Prendergast, Roberto Speranza, Zach Cairncross, Matt Lewis, Greg Lynch, Giorgio Speranza, Connor Evans, Yuta Konagaya, Daniel Araujo, Gibbs and Mitch Mallia. Andrew and Lewis Beumie replaced Konagaya and R. Speranza.

In the Mens 1 competition since 2014, Blacktown has finished the seasons in 3rd, 1st, 2nd and 2nd with a 4th position in 2018. This has been a minor slip down the table from the previous heady heights and in 2019 will want to resume normal operations.

The Mark Crittenden side, finished the 2018 season on thirty-four points, winning nine, drawing seven and losing six matches. Twenty-seven goals were achieved with twenty being conceded with Joey





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Gibbs being the top scorer with nine to his credit with ten other players sharing in the spoils. Six nil scores games eventuated which was the equal second top number shared with four other clubs. Seven clean sheets were attained with the best winning margin being three, the 3-0 in the Round 3 Bonnyrigg White Eagles match. Ten players were selected in 'Team Of The Week' those being Lynch with four, Mallia (3), Devante Clut (3), Araujo (3), Gibbs (3) and Evans (2) with G.Speranza, Charles Mendy and Danny Choi with one apiece. The goals per game average was 1.22 with the goals conceded average was 1.1. The best sequence without loss was five matches - Rounds 1 - 5, draw, win, win, win and draw, Rounds 8 - 12, win, win, win, win and draw, Rounds 16 - 20, draw, win, draw, win and draw. Multi scorers were Mendy (treble), Mallia (treble) and Gibbs (brace), with the quickest goal coming in the 4th minute by Mendy in Round 3. Blacktown had a plus nine goal difference in Rounds 1-11 and in Rounds 12-22 had a minus two.

## THE MATCH-UP

Up until this Round 9 fixture in the competition, the Wolves have scored in every match while Blacktown has three nil scores in their results.

The top scorer for each club is Thomas James (WW) and James Demetriou (BC) with ten and two goals



respectively with each team scoring 18 and 7 goals. The scorer of each team's previous goal was Taylor McDonald (Round 8) and Demetriou (Round 7).

Blacktown has twenty-one wins to the Wolves' one in their match-ups since the 2004/05 NSW Premier League season while Blacktown has kept the Wolves scoreless in eleven matches while the converse is one.

In the previous round Blacktown was defeated by Rockdale City Suns 1-0 as the Wolves/Sutherland Sharks match resulted in a 2-2 draw.

The Wolves maintain their position on the top of the table with eighteen points from five wins and three draws with Blacktown in seventh place on eleven has three victories and two draws.

The result sequence in the previous five games for Blacktown City is - win, loss, win, draw and loss, while the Wollongong Wolves' results were - win, win, draw, win and draw.

## PLAYERS TO WATCH

The Wolves central defender Nikola Djordjevic has been impressing at the back in his combination with Nick Littler since the season began showing he is extremely adept at this competition level. He has been on the scoresheet twice, with an exceptional goal against Sutherland in Round 8 launching a scorpion kick that brought admiration from the match commentator and the crowd who witnessed it. By achieving this and with his consummate defensive skills such as timely interventions, good aerial ability possesses and direct passing skill out of defence, he is certainly one to watch and appreciate.

Blacktown's William Mutch is a livewire attacker and has, with his previous team scored a number of goals at this level. In fact he has scored against the Wolves with a brace in a past match. He is quick, possesses a keen shot, runs at the defenders with close ball skills and presents danger when on the ball.

## SCORES AND SCORERS FROM THE PREVIOUS FIVE LEAGUE MEETINGS

1. 2016. Wolves 2 (Ricky Zucco, Steven Hristovski) defeated by Blacktown City 3 (Patrick Antelmi, Sasa Macura, Travis Major)
2. 2017. Blacktown City 2 (Joey Gibbs, James Andrew) defeated Wolves 0

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3. 2017. Wolves 1 (Peter Simonoski) defeated by Blacktown City 3 (Joey Gibbs, Mitch Mallia, Peter Cejka)
4. 2018. Wolves 0 drew with Blacktown City 0
5. 2018. Blacktown City 1 (Joey Gibbs) drew with Wolves 1 (Luke Wilkshire)

## BLAST FROM THE PAST

This was not a very happy game from the Wolves point of view versus Blacktown City in 2006 in this Round 8 encounter at Community Stadium. The team had won 4-0 in the previous outing so prospects were high in this match. However, it soon unravelled.

Blacktown was, Ivan Necevski, Paul Karbon, Damien Foxe (Capt) Mirko Jurilj, Bobby Dragas, Tyler Simpson, Kain Rastall, Ivan Zelic, Milorad Simonovic, Tolgay Ozbey and Daniel Watkins. Ben Gough, Michael Brown and Luke Roodenburg were subbed on for Karbon, Foxe and Watkins respectively, with Aytec Genc being the coach.

The Wolves consisted of Nathan Denham, Ian Waldron, Chris Rigopoulos, Andrew Mumford, Chris Price, Daniel McDonald, Dustin Wells, Daniel Aliffi, Dean Kerr, Ballamodou Conde (Capt.) and Tony Perenich. Wayne Gibson, Darren McDonald and Kurt Saterdag replaced Waldron, McDonald and Perenich in that order. Bruno Jasiczek was the caretaker coach.

The Wolves started off proceedings in a positive way but negated their early opportunities. The match began to turn when in the thirty-second minute when Blacktown scored through Simonovic. Close to half time, Aliffi lost the ball to Foxe. Ozbay received his pass to then laid it off to Watkins, who duly goaled. The Wolves were having a hard time of it and to make it worse, Ozbey scooted through to make a three goal margin. A Denham miscalculation on a cross that he mishandled allowed Karbon to power in from close vicinity. However, the Wolves denied Blacktown achieving a clean sheet when Saterdag scored his one and only Wolves' goal through loose Blacktown marking. The home was not done though and added two more for the shut out result. Ozbey and Gough set up Roodenburg for a tap in and Brown scored with a left footed drive. This 6-1 score line was not the Wolves' most impressive result, but not the worst in this particular

season and not the worst in the club's history. The Blacktown team on this day was on fire.

## WOLVES' PLAYER OF NOTE - RON TILSED

The English goalkeeper who played in England with Arsenal, Portsmouth and being an English Youth goalkeeper as well, came to Australia to initially play for Canberra City in the NSL before moving on to play thirteen matches for the Wolves in 1984. He made his debut on the 4th March 1985 at Bruce Stadium versus Canberra City. However, the team suffered a 4-0 defeat with one Wolves player being sent off in the fourth minute. Obviously, this did not help matters. Tilsed achieved one clean sheet in all, with his final game coming in Round 28, the final round of the season. He signed off with a victory in this match at Adamstown Oval against Newcastle Rosebud United. After retiring from playing, he moved into the coaching ranks being the goalkeeper coach at Sutherland Sharks from 2008 to 2015 in one of his stints.

## BLACKTOWN PLAYER OF NOTE - MATTHEW RYAN

Goalkeeper Ryan played in the 2009 and 2010 seasons with Blacktown making a total of eleven appearances before moving on to the Central Coast Mariners and beyond to Club Brugge in Belgium,





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Valencia, Genk before landing at Bristol and Hove Albion in England. He has been the Socceroos incumbent first choice custodian for a number of years and he has been in the winning Asian Cup side in 2015 and was named the best goalkeeper in the tournament. He also was in the team at the 2019 Asian Cup and 2018 World Cup.

## **SELECTED REPRESENTATIVE OF BOTH CLUBS - MIRKO JURILJ**

Jurilj, a defender or midfielder with skill on the ball with good technicality played for the Wolves in the 2003/04 NSL season making only four appearances

in total, three starts and one from the bench. He left due to differences with the coach, John Turner at the time. His first game was in the first round against Sydney United. The Blacktown years for the player were in 2006, 2007 and 2010. He has played at a host of clubs since in Australia and overseas in Asia with Sembawang Rangers in Singapore, Johor in Malaysia before playing in Malta with Pieta Hotspurs. He last club was a return to St George in 2014 and he formerly played in the Illawarra Premier League with Coniston.

*By Malcolm Rowney*

## WOLVES RETURN HOME TO WIN STADIUM



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# TIME AFTER TIME

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It is quite well known in football circles that teams generally concede more goals against them in the second half of matches and later in the time frame of those matches. It is maybe pertinent to test this hypothesis out in regards to the Wollongong Wolves from the 2010 National Premier League season and up until the conclusion of the 2018 campaign and to see if the minutes of goals scored and goals adhere to the norm. Obviously, there are exceptions to the rule and this will apply to some seasons.

Looking at the tally of goals scored and conceded in the two halves of matches since 2010, 'time and time' again more goals have been scored in the second half with the majority in minutes 76-90, by a score of one hundred and forty-seven to one hundred and thirty-two with a percentage of 56.6%. More goals were also conceded in the second half of matches by two hundred and two to one hundred and thirty-five with a 59.9% and with the maximum number conceded in the identical minute time frame, 76-90. The percentage of goals scored and conceded in this period of time is 23% and 24% respectively.

Seasons 2010, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2017 and 2018 all had the highest goal tally of conceded goals while 2016 had an equal top, in the last fifteen minutes period of a games, while seasons 2011, 2014 and 2018 had the most goals scored in the that period with 2017 having a tied result. As matches wear on many players get tired legs and because of this, mistakes are more likely to happen.

Prior to half time and within the final five minutes, is a time that teams do not like to concede. The

Wolves from 2010 have scored twenty-three times in minutes 40 - 45+ and conceded in this time on twenty-four occasions, which are an 8.2% and 7.12% average respectively. In 2011, the highest tally was six goals scored in this time frame and in 2016, seven goals were conceded as the highest tally.

The least amount of goals was scored in the 1-15 minute period with 12.5% with two seasons having a single goal (2010 and 2016), and 2012 having the highest total of nine. The least number of goals were conceded in this time frame in 2016 and 2017 with 2012 and 2014 having the highest of six. Least goals were conceded as well in this period overall with a percentage of 10.9.

In the current 2019 season do any of the aforementioned scenarios apply? To date up, until Round 8 was played, most goals have been scored in the 31-45 minutes period, and that is an exception to the norm. However, most number of goals has been scored in the second half, which fits what has gone on before. In addition, most goals have also been conceded in the second half by five to one, with the most popular time period for these opposition goals is in the 46-60 minute period.

In the 1-15 minute time period, nil goals were scored and one against which follows on from the majority of seasons. Five minutes before the half time break, no goals have been scored or conceded.

So it can be seen that 'time after time', though team personnel change, the timings of goals scored and conceded follows suit.

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# 2 X 4

In the 2019 Round 2, striker and the top scorer to date, Thomas James made his presence felt in the NPL NSW Mens 1 competition, '2 x 4', that is, in two successive matches he scored four goals, to join a small, though illustrious number of players to have achieved this task. Going through the records, James has joined four other successful players in the years from 1981. Notwithstanding, James is the only player to have achieved this in his first two competition games for the club, and that in itself is a standout attainment.

The circumstances behind James' four strikes are as follows. In Round 1 Manly United was the opponent and James, positioned at the far post managed to meet Takeru Okada's cross from the left. He pushed the ball into the goal with a defender sniping for the ball at the same time but the English striker held sway. This occurred in the thirty-fourth minute. In Round 2 James was to the fore with a hat trick. It began in the twentieth minute with James sneaking in between two APIA Leichhardt defenders, taking a touch to control, and then rounding the advancing custodian to place the ball into the empty net. Thirty-six minutes later, the gun striker stole the ball off a defender and his subsequent powerful shot zoomed in, breaching the custodian's domain. With twenty-

one minutes remaining on the clock, his treble was accomplished. Okada had worked himself near the penalty area before cutting the ball back to James who slotted the ball under the despairing 'keeper.

Two years before striker Patrick Antelmi achieved this '2 x 4' with his strikes emanating in 2017 season's Round 21 and 22. The striker and club top marksman scored against Rockdale City Suns, producing a shot on the turn that flew past the custodian four minutes before time concluded for his first of four. In the final season match versus Sydney FC, Antelmi hit a penalty on forty-four minutes after he was brought down. He got up to convert, directing the ball to the right of centre with the 'keeper going the opposite way. For his brace, he dispossessed a central defender, took a few steps forward before slotting home. Steve Hayes and Hristijan Tanoski were involved in the lead-up before the latter supplied a pass from the left side and Antelmi finished the job on eighty-five minutes.

The initial achiever in this regard was Sasho Petrovski and he completed this task an impressive twice in the 2000/01 season in Rounds 18 and 19, as well as in Rounds 20 and 21. In Round 18 Petrovski scored a brace in the eleventh and seventy-fifth





# 2 X 4

minutes against Marconi Stallions. A custodian's error ensued after he came out to punch a Robert Middleby cross but buckled under Stuart Young's pressure. Petrovski gratefully received the wayward ball, lashing it high into the roof of the net. The striker brought up his brace when he headed in a Middleby cross. Two more goals were hit in the next round versus Melbourne Knights on twenty-six and sixty minutes.

In the Brisbane Strikers Round 20 match it was a strike on the hour before a hat trick against Parramatta Power in the forty-six, forty-seventh and sixty-ninth minutes. In Brisbane, a Middleby cross was not kept under wraps by the custodian, allowing Petrovski to slot home the loose ball in easy fashion.

Also in the 2000/01 seasons, Scott Chipperfield attained in Rounds 11 and 12. A single goal was hit in Round 11 Sydney Olympic game before three versus Eastern Pride on five, sixty-three and seventy-three minutes. It was a last minute goal when Chipperfield raced onto a Middleby through ball to open up Sydney Olympics' defence and convert his opportunity to draw the tie. His hat trick against the Pride emanated five minutes into the Round 12 fixture when on receiving a guilt-edged Dino

Menillo pass Chipperfield projected the ball into the goal. Petrovski set up Chipperfield's next goal and he took it well before adding his third for the match, slotting in a spot kick.

The final but not least player was striker Adam Casey. It was in 2006 Rounds 4 and 5 for his four strikes away from home. At Melita Stadium, Casey headed home for his first of a treble in the fifty-fourth minute. The striker followed suit by turning on the edge of the penalty area to dispatch the ball past the Bankstown Lions custodian. His third was from a long ball out of defence. He ran onto it and duly converted. In the next game against Marconi he netted his fourth with game ending in a 5-3 loss.

With four of these players, Sasho Petrovski, Scott Chipperfield, Adam Casey and Patrick Antelmi having achieved this '4 x 2', and also have been Golden Boot top scorer club winners as well, time will tell if Thomas James will achieve the Golden Boot though this seems increasingly likely as he displayed his propensity to score in subsequent matches.

*By Malcolm Rowney*



# FORWARD MOTION

A wide or outside defender or wingback with technically sound footwork, close ball skills, has quick advancing and lateral movement, is quick on the uptake with 'forward motion', is able to adjust to situations on the fly, defend with discipline and attack with conviction is a player who showcases these attributes and more. A current Wollongong Wolves player who began his senior career from 2014 onwards has these qualities, with this player being none other than Darcy Madden.

In his five completed seasons at the Wolves up until the 2018 season, Madden has not been averse to popping up on occasions to get on the score sheet. In all, he has achieved four league goals with a further two in the cup competitions. His final goal achievement in 2018 was in the Wolves versus Central Coast Mariners Friendly match played at WIN Stadium on Friday 2nd October. He goaled in the twenty-fourth minute after skillfully keeping the ball at close quarters as he burst into the box with 'forward motion' to then project the ball into the net from close proximity. Earlier in the season in the FFA Cup Round 4 clash with Kellyville Kolts, he goaled with five minutes left on the clock with a good effort.

Madden began his Wolves' senior career in 2014 after playing at Australian Institute Of Sport at the Centre Of Excellence from 2012 to 2014 after first playing with the club in the junior ranks. In between the NPL seasons he was in the Sydney FC Youth Team and went to Vietnam for a tournament.

Madden's three Premier League goals occurred in the three different seasons. His initial strike emanated in 2014 Round 22 versus APIA Leichhardt in his team's 5-1 rout. His was the fifth in the proceedings occurred in the ninety plus two minutes. The second occurred in 2015 Round 21 against Manly United when he scored a minute before half time. With a powerfully struck ball on the turn from his position outside the penalty area his effort went like a torpedo to lodge inside the goal. It was against the Sutherland Sharks in Round 8 in 2016 when Madden added his third, this time in the thirty-ninth minute with a header from close proximity to the goal.

In the 2014 season Madden appeared in the league on thirteen occasions with an additional one from the bench. He played three times in the cup, which included one substitute on field role. He achieved one aforementioned league goal, emanating in the



final match of the season. In addition, there were three cup appearances with one from the bench. Following the extra time and penalty shootout with Sutherland Sharks in the Round 5 of the Waratah Cup, a match in which he was inconvenienced as he burst forth into the penalty area on one hundred and ninety minutes, a penalty kick ensued. He stated post match - 'I got a favourable decision and that's football... I haven't played central defender since the Under 13s when it was the Wollongong Community Football club. Playing extra time after backing up from Saturday was draining.' His league goal was his team's fifth in Round 22 APIA Leichhardt encounter. From corner kick in the ninety plus two minutes, Madden proceeded with an effort that surprised the custodian prompting a lively celebration. Also in this match, two minutes before scoring, he zoomed in to thwart a prospective goal scorer, displaying an aspect of his defensive capability. During the Round 20 loss to St. George, Madden cut out three St. George attacks in as many minutes playing as a central defender. He headed

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out a cross, before intercepting a short pass and then perceptibly intervening before the intended recipient. Post match he stated -‘they wanted it more. They showed they were ready to fight and we were not up to it. They were a bit more desperate. Their two goals, they did not create them, we more or less gifted them. In the first half we had a few chances and were unlucky. The game could have been won in the first half.’ He made the ‘Team Of The Week’ for his sterling performance in Round 4.

The playing statistics in this 2015 season for the wing/back were twenty-one games including two from the substitute bench with four Cup games and a finals appearance in addition. He was on the score sheet in the first outing in the cup, scoring against Mt. Druitt Town Rangers in the thirteenth minute. His only league goal for the season was in Round 21 Manly United game. – ‘It was a game we had to win to keep our finals chance alive. And we did that in front of a great crowd that turned out. ...I don’t score too often so when I do, I sort of don’t know what I’m doing with the celebration. We got three points. I’m happy for the boys.’ For his goal, a Brendan Griffin corner kick was played in and it was ineffectually dealt with. Madden took possession just inside the penalty area and with two defenders in close attendance, he changed direction and powered the ball between a sea of legs. From his performance in this game playing a holding midfield role, Madden was selected in the ‘Team Of The Week’.

Fifteen league appearances was Madden’s tally in 2016 together with four cup games. Following the Round 7 win over Hakoah Sydney City East coach and Madden’s first game for this season coach Jacob Timpano intimated – ‘Darcy’s return gave extra drive down the right side’. Thrice in this season Madden was selected in the ‘Team Of The Week’ for his standout performances in Rounds 8, 10 and 17 versus Sutherland Sharks, Parramatta FC and Manly United. His speed and positive overlapping forays down the sidelines kept the Sharks on their toes. He also scored with a judiciously placed header, squeezing to off the post and past the custodian in the thirty-ninth minute. Earlier, David Stojic put Madden through with clever pass. Madden moved rapidly to shoot only for the custodian to pluck the ball from low at his feet. ‘It (the win) was welcomed and well deserved. We have had a bit of trouble on the road and at home lately. We have been putting in the effort but a bit of luck has not gone our way,

but things changed tonight. My header was a fifty/ fifty with the keeper and it came off the post to go in. That’s the kind of luck that we have been missing out on. Tonight we showed up, we did well...It was good decision by the gaffer who wanted to use my pace a little bit and it has paid off against an identified more experienced but less mobile back line. I’m happy how I played and very happy to get the goal and more importantly that the team had won.’ Marauding forays, blocking goal attempts and defensively diminishing Parramatta’s raids were part of the skills that were displayed by the player. A goal scoring opportunity was set up by Madden but the recipient of his floated pass could not make it count. Against Manly United away on the losing side, Madden was to the fore in defence with well-judged interceptions both aerially and on the ground. He also showed his tenacity following losing the ball after a prowling run down the right side. He persistently regained possession before sending in an enticing cross. Away to Sydney Olympic, a not so well clearance from the custodian fell straight to the chest of Madden. He brought the down under control before moving it on to provide Peter Simonovski with a gilt-edged chance. Unfortunately it did not come off.

It was another Round 7 start for Madden’s first game in 2017. In Round 10 versus Rockdale City Suns, Madden defensively blocked two attempted shots on goal on successive occasions to thwart. ‘We had a pretty tumultuous week with a three point penalty and losing at home against a team we should have beaten in front of a healthy crowd. It was good that the crowd came out to support us and to help us win today... They are second on the table for a reason but we were happy to beat them. Nick Montgomery came for us and he added to the team.’ A change of position saw Madden in the central defender’s role against Parramatta FC in Round 12 due to the injuries and unavailability of the usual occupiers of the position. He kept things tight and played solidly. In a must win game with Rockdale City Suns in order to get a finals berth, the Wolves had scored a late goal but it was not enough. Madden endeavoured to get things going early by playing a low ball into the box but nothing came of his enterprise at this time. Round 18 saw the defender producing a high pass that traversed at a sixty-degree angle to Peter Simonovski who went on to push the ball into the Hakoah Sydney City East goal. In the final Round versus Sydney FC the team played at their best and

# FORWARD MOTION

Madden was to the fore defensively and intercepted noticeably to deny Sydney's quick counter attacks on occasions. Madden totalled twelve league games with a further two in the cup

In 2018, twenty-one league appearances including four as an on field replacement, was his achievement. With a victory over Marconi Stallions in Round 11 Madden produced a header that whacked into the cross bar in an attacking raid and he was influential both in attack and in defence with his clearances, opportune interceptions and ball winning tackles. - 'I'm very happy that the winless streak is over and it is great for everyone involved. We played a different formation from last week, which nullified their strengths, and I'm very happy about that... I was a part of the back three, got a clean sheet, we were very tight and communication was great and I was very comfortable. All in all, I was happy with my game and collectively as well. Great home debut for Luke and a great win for the fans.' Coach Jacob Timpano At J.J.Kelly Park, Coniston for the Sutherland Sharks stated - '...Our back three, Robbo, Darcy and Pricey defended outstandingly.' At J.J.Kelly Park, Coniston in Round 15, Madden set up a scoring opportunity by playing a long pass to Jordan Nikolovski who proceeded to hit the target. In the Central Coast Mariners friendly match played on 5th October, a number of weeks following the end of the 2018 National Premier League, Madden attacked with fervor and he eluded a player with an enterprising up field surge before firing a shot that unfortunately hit the side netting. This occurred following his conversion of his goal scoring opportunity in the twenty-fourth minute. A number of targeted shots were contributed but unfortunately not converted but the intent was there for all to see. He stated post match - 'we did well. It was a great turnout on a cold night. We had to build the trial team with some core players from last season. And we had to build also around players from the local league. I thought after the preparation that we have had, the play was very good.... It was very enjoyable to score and I haven't scored for a while...the new guys that came in performed really well. I think TJ (Thomas James) played unreal.... We tested them especially in the first half but we gave away two soft goals. It was the best performance this season along with the Marconi game.... we are always going to rise for the occasion against an A-League team. We had the right mix of experience, we had some speed on the counter to test them and



I think everyone put in a great shift.' Also during the season, Madden was selected in NPL NSW 'Team Of The Week' in Round 13. His second Cup strike emanated in the eighty-fifth minute of the Kellyville Kolts Round 4 FFA Cup match.

Madden made his first appearance in the senior team in his sixth season (2019) when he entered the field in the Round 5 Sydney Olympic match in the seventy-ninth minute as a substitute. Eight minutes later, he was on the score sheet once again. After receipt of a Thomas James pass that came from the right, Madden's first time effort from his position near the penalty spot, flew into the goal entering the goal near the right post of the diving custodian. In the Round 8 clash at Seymour Shaw Park versus Sutherland Sharks, Madden played at the pointy end of the attack to showcase his versatility and he did not let the side down.

To date and up until 2019 Round 9, Madden has tallied eighty-nine league games, fourteen cup appearances and a start in finals match. He is indeed a 'forward motion' player of the highest order and his attributes have greatly assisted the team since he began his Wollongong Wolves' career.

*By Malcolm Rowney*

*(Darcy Madden's' and Jacob Timpano's' comments were quoted from the writer's original interviews that were for included in his match reports at the time.)*

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# 1ST GRADE TEAM LISTS



1	Justin	Pasfield (GK)
2	Taylor	McDonald
3	Darcy	Madden
4	Nicola	Djordjevic
6	Ben	Tosi
7	Chris	Price
8	James	Markovic
9	Thomas	James
10	Brendan	Griffin
11	Takeru	Okada
12	Luke	Kairies (GK)
13	Stefan	Dimoski
14	Harry	Callahan
15	Nicholas	Littler
16	Guy	Knight
17	James	Stojcevski
19	Tory	Musumeci
20	Brandon	Stojcevski
23	Jordan	Nikolovski
24	Lachlan	Scott

**Coach:** Luke Wilkshire

**Assistant Coach:** Yuzo Tashiro

**Manager:** Mark Wilkshire

**Physio:** Matt Whalan

1	Tristan	Prendergast
3	Daniel	Collins
4	Yianni	Spyrakis
5	Grant	Lynch
6	Matt	Lewis
7	Devante	Clut
8	Daniel	Araujo
9	Joey	Gibbs
10	James	Demetriou
11	Mani	Gonzalez
12	Lachlan	Campbell
14	Henry	Davies
15	Mason	Versi
17	Dakota	Askew
18	Joshua	Bartolotto
19	Adam	Berry
20	Dylan	Niski
21	William	Mutch
22	Leroy	Jennings
23	Daniel	Bragg
24	Jackson	Bandiera

**Coach:** Mark Crittenden

**Assistant Coach:** Matthew Bingley

**Manager:** Graham Crawhall

**Physio:** Rebecca Gonzalez

**Strength & Conditioning:** David Maiolo,  
Joshua De Rooy

**Referee:**

**B. Abraham**

**Assistant Referees:**

**M. McOrist, N. Wotton**

**Fourth Official:**

**N. Ryan**







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# JACK (FLAVIO) ZANIER

## 20 YEARS SINCE HIS PASSING

Just to reflect on a pioneer and great man who passed away 20 years ago to the date today.

A leader and innovator in every sense in the Building game, fishing, hunting, fund raising and football.

In the early 70's, on every second Sunday of the football season, Jack would bundle us into the car for a mad dash from Lake Heights to Balls Paddock to watch South Coast United. This memory was etched in our brains forever. Not only the harrowing drive up the Princess Hwy at V8 Supercar pace, but the football occasion was better than any live entertainment around.

The teams coming down from Sydney included Marconi, Apia, Hakoah, Olympic, Yugal, Prague, etc all brought their thousands or patriotic & crazy fans, who were terrifying and intimidating. There was nothing else like it!

Then the NSL started in 1977 and we were thrust into the "Limbo" phase.

The same status that is similar today where our team is in the second tier and deserve to be in the top for all the known reasons. Jack did take us to some NSL games, however, it left an empty feeling like a homeless child. No connection with the teams and a complete hollow feeling, just like now with the A-League.

However, the momentum that successfully created the Wollongong Wolves and gained entry into the NSL in 1980 was created by passionate high profile politicians, businessmen, the union movement and a pack of dedicated patriotic volunteers.

All of these influential leaders stopped at nothing to bend the rules, use their powerful connections to put Wollongong on the world map. These leaders included Frank Lowy (Westfield), Laurie Kelly (Speaker of Parliament/Labor Party), John Vlietstra (ICC), BHP execs, union bosses, Illawarra business leaders and others who presented a powerful business case to the ASF - who had no choice but to accept.

However, despite these leaders and power brokers, the club could not function as there wasn't enough initial investment, we didn't have a home ground and the local football community was sidelined. The new Wolves club was on its knees even before the



first ball was kicked.

Then came Jack Zanier who signed us up as Foundation Members #59 and #60 at \$300 each and then gave the club its life blood with some of the following volunteered achievements:

- Took over the Foundation Member drive and added close to 200 mates, relatives and associated business people.
- Gathered up working bee groups to fix the Wollongong Showground by building and fixing perimeter fences, gates, repaired and painted grandstand seating, renovated ticket offices, patched up the dressing rooms etc.
- Built in our home backyard were the goal posts, players dugouts, all the perimeter steel fencing and standalone advertising signs, etc. Volunteers streamed in/out of our house with welders, delivery trucks, etc
- Provided free security/grounds men during games including Sergio his brother, mates and other relatives.
- Started the supporters club with fellow diehard fans and all close family members and relatives who then started the Wolves CheerGirls and the

# JACK (FLAVIO) ZANIER

## 20 YEARS SINCE HIS PASSING

Wolf Chase. Who organised away trip supporters buses and many other successful fund raising functions.

- Started the Arno Bertonia (Socceroos captain) donations drive which totalled over \$22,000.
- Renovated and built new brick changing rooms under the western grandstand to be used by all codes.
- When the Wolves moved to Ziems' park, Jack's Army had to Renovate it to suit football with hill seating, ticket office, canteen, levelled/smoothed the playing surface with our rakes & shovels, etc.
- Then in 1987 we started the Brandon Park project. The Wolves and Jack's Army inherited a coal wash ground and coal wash spectator hills with a two tier skeleton stadium after the project ran out of funding.
- It was Jack and his patriotic army who finished off the stadium with the following items to name a few:
  - turfing the playing surface by hand
  - installing the seats, hand railings, and all other grandstand peripherals
  - building the canteens, ticket offices, supporters bar, 12x brick sponsors boxes with all amenities, etc

- All the above labour & materials were donated by the generous businesses of the Illawarra and Government departments.

- And I'm sure there are many more Jack Zanier achievements that I've missed.

The acceptance of the Wollongong Wolves into the NSL in 1980 was due to influential power brokers and characters like Jack Zanier who was the Wolves' "Mr Fix It" without limits!

There were many others members, supporters and sponsors of the Wolves through the past 39 years who devoted a large chunk of their lives to live our football dream and also deserve massive praise!

However, it will all go to waste if the Illawarra Community, all football fraternities, government, union and business leaders don't get behind a unified Wollongong Wolves bid to finally grab the next expansion seat in the A-League.

I'm sure that there are many other Jack Zanier's out there who would love to be part of the new Wolves and have their names etched in history, so don't be afraid to sign up !

Go the Wolves!

*Written by Robert Zanier*



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# TEAM LISTS



## UNDER 16s

1 - GK Luke	Morgan
2 Harrison	Anagnostopoulos
3 Brandon	Angelevski
4 Antoni	Anic
5 Andrew	Aston
6 Andrew	Balaskas
7 athan	dedis
8 Thomas	Dunn
9 Owen	Fitzpatrick
10 Dax	Kelly
11 Lochlan	Kennedy
12 Noah	Lehn
13 Logan	Mathie
14 Nathan	Paull
15 Daniel	Payne
16 Riley	Smithson



## UNDER 15s

1 - GK Jake	Charlston
2 Jake	Almond
3 James	Anagnostopoulos
4 Edward	Bowling
5 Julian	De Freitas
6 Jack	Duffy
7 joshua	galevski
8 Ashton	Kouzan
9 Josiah	Lewis-Dunkley
10 Noah	McNeill
11 Luke	Palermo
12 Luca	Papalia
13 William	Provino
14 Anton	Radice-Jones
15 Deklan	Rawson
16 Antonio	Sansone



## UNDER 14s

1 - GK Max	Cunial
2 Jacob	Bye
3 Noah	Crapis
4 Zachary	De Jesus
5 Lachlan	Groves
6 Adam	Kairis
7 Roman	Kalmanidis
8 Martin	Kolevski
9 Oliver	Kuk
10 Brodie	Masters
11 Liam	Mavridis
12 Tristan	Nikolovski
13 Adrian	Pontone
14 Miles	Thompson
15 Jayden	Trajcevski
16 Thomas	Tugrul



## UNDER 13s

1 - GK Max	Cunial
2 Jacob	Bye
3 Noah	Crapis
4 Zachary	De Jesus
5 Lachlan	Groves
6 Adam	Kairis
7 Roman	Kalmanidis
8 Martin	Kolevski
9 Oliver	Kuk
10 Brodie	Masters
11 Liam	Mavridis
12 Tristan	Nikolovski
13 Adrian	Pontone
14 Miles	Thompson
15 Jayden	Trajcevski
16 Thomas	Tugrul



## UNDER 12s

Jacob Hastings
Christian Anagnostopoulos
Lenny Atsas
Taj Demito
Ben Harman
Kyan Hawke
Noah Hewett
Oscar Kiely
Michael Marijan
Noah Mathie
Ryan Molnar
Callum O'Donnell
Rishay Patel
John Perri
Beau Randle
Lennox Roodenrys
Ashton Stapleton
Brayden Steel
Noah Stella
Zane Stroemer

# TEAM LISTS



## UNDER 11s

Christian Beleski  
James Benedetti  
Billy Beniuk  
Lucas Dubowski  
Kolby Guevara  
Axl Hornby  
Khaled Houchaymi  
Isaac Kostovski  
Gabriel Lombardi  
Cooper Markovic  
Jared Mihajlovic  
Elijah Millet  
Lucas Moreira  
Innocent Nwali  
Samuel Palermo  
Jet Sanders  
Jordan Sirijovski  
Noah Smart  
Luca Spaseski  
Lukas Srbinoski  
Lachlan Taylor



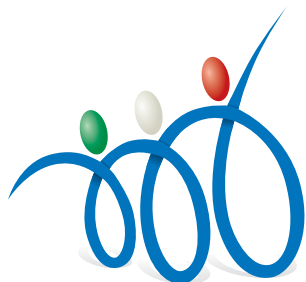
## UNDER 10s

Noah Petrolo  
Mattias Banovic  
Samuel Burke  
Myke Caldmoski  
Kahuitara Te Ra Chase  
Finley Cole  
Lukas Galic  
Fabian Gaudiosi  
Harvey Gottlieb  
Kristian Graovac  
Leo Halios-Lewis  
Travis Kosevic  
Jarrah Longbottom  
Zachary McNeill  
novak novakovic  
Kye O'Donnell  
Declan Pearce  
Diego Sansone  
Lewis Tomlinson  
Byron Morris



## UNDER 9s

Nate Russell  
Stefen Anagnostopoulos  
Andre Arbolino  
Harley Bermudez  
Austin Craig  
Leron Elmazi  
Jude Kiley  
Wil Leddy  
Bailey Mitchell  
Samuel Perez  
Cash Sanders  
Haydon Sharman  
Dean Srbinoski  
Christian Ugonotti  
Samuel Ugonotti



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# U20'S TEAM LISTS



1	Brendon	Krcanoski
2	Luke	Day
3	Joshua	Alcorn
4	Jack	Hooper
5	Tim	Chapman
6	Jason	Pappas
7	Joel	Starr
8	Jake	Levy
9	Marcus	Bimbilovski
10	Liam	Wille
11	Jackson	Mortimer
12	Jordyn	Della Vedova
13	Brendan	Mitrovski
14	Bul	Juach
15	Adrian	Avello
16	Tatsuki	Nagatsuka
17	Brendan	Low

Coach: Manny Mavridis

25	Mason	Ingram
26	Alen	Aganovic
27	Alec	Purves
29	Daniel	Colosimo
30	Adolph	Koudakpo
31	Jack	Hutchings
32	Carlos	De Olivera
33	Anthony	Gallo
34	Suley	Bangura
35	Rhett	Desilva

Coach: Andy Montgomery  
Assistant Coach: Daniel Lownds  
Manager: Dean Montgomery

## U20'S - NPL NSW MEN'S

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Blacktown City FC	8	6	1	1	17	6	11	19
2	Sydney Olympic FC	8	5	1	2	13	11	2	16
3	APIA Leichhardt Tigers FC	8	4	2	2	11	5	6	14
4	Rockdale City Suns FC	8	4	2	2	15	10	5	14
5	Wollongong Wolves FC	8	4	0	4	9	13	-4	12
6	Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC	8	3	2	3	13	13	0	11
7	Sutherland Sharks FC	8	3	2	3	9	10	-1	11
8	Sydney FC	8	2	4	2	14	10	4	10
9	Manly United FC	8	3	1	4	13	16	-3	10
10	Marconi Stallions FC	8	2	2	4	11	15	-4	8
11	Hakoah Sydney City East FC	8	0	4	4	12	19	-7	4
12	Sydney United 58 FC	8	1	1	6	7	16	-9	4

# U20'S MATCH PREVIEW

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Wollongong Wolves will face their toughest test of the season to date when they take Blacktown City at Win Stadium on Sunday afternoon, with both sides in good form ahead of what promises to be a tight match.

Wolves have bounced back after a dismal run to win their last two matches; the latest victory coming at Sutherland Sharks courtesy of goals from Bul Juach and Liam Wille.

Blacktown, meanwhile, travel to Win Stadium having dropped points for only the second time this season. A 1-1 draw with Rockdale halted a four-match winning streak, but will do little to dent the confidence of the competition leaders.



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# CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

CLUB	PLAYED	U18'S	U20'S	1ST	TOTAL
Wollongong Wolves FC	24	7	24	72	103
Blacktown City FC	24	19	38	44	101
APIA Leichhardt Tigers FC	24	8	28	56	92
Rockdale City Suns FC	24	7	28	52	87
Sydney Olympic FC	24	4	32	44	80
Sydney United 58 FC	24	16	8	56	80
Marconi Stallions FC	22	9	16	52	77
Manly United FC	22	8	14	52	74
Sydney FC	24	18	20	28	66
Mt Druiett Town Rangers FC	24	18	22	24	64
Sutherland Sharks FC	24	12	22	20	54
Hakoah Sydney City East FC	24	10	8	28	46

### 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

## 1ST GRADE - NPL NSW MEN'S

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Wollongong Wolves FC	8	5	3	0	18	9	9	18
2	APIA Leichhardt Tigers FC	8	4	2	2	12	9	3	14
3	Sydney United 58 FC	8	4	2	2	13	14	-1	14
4	Marconi Stallions FC	8	4	1	3	18	10	8	13
5	Manly United FC	8	3	4	1	11	9	2	13
6	Rockdale City Suns FC	8	4	1	3	7	12	-5	13
7	Sydney Olympic FC	8	3	2	3	16	13	3	11
8	Blacktown City FC	8	3	2	3	7	7	0	11
9	Hakoah Sydney City East FC	8	2	1	5	7	10	-3	7
10	Sydney FC	8	2	1	5	12	16	-4	7
11	Mt Druiett Town Rangers FC	8	1	3	4	13	20	-7	6
12	Sutherland Sharks FC	8	1	2	5	7	12	-5	5



# U18'S TEAM LISTS



Luke	Genua
Lachlan	Bryce
Petar	Jurisc
Aaron	Calver
Mason	Mavridis
Cody	Ashburner
Jarrold	Alston
Keegan	Matias
Lewis	Grimshaw
Navarone	Darjani
Joel	Dowling
Rocky	Lavalle
Harry	Lloyd
Jordan	Prentovski
Josh	Correia
Noah	Vidler

Coach: Richard Lloyd

Managers: Scott Nicols & Robbie Day

1	Zane	Cunico
2	Corey	Smith
3	Ryan	Duffy
4	Blake	Richards
5	Braith	Foxe
6	Ryan	Attard
7	Ethan	Pollard-Smith
8	Bradley	Tapp
9	Connor	Rose
10	Thomas	Bienasz
11	Kai	McLoughlin
12	Ben	Berry
13	Christian	Cirino
14	Tyren	Burnie
15	Caleb	Jackson-Brown
16	Cameron	Veldhuizen

Coach: John Carnevale

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12	Sydney Olympic FC	8	1	1	6	6	21	-15	4

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# TOP GOAL SCORERS



THOMAS JAMES  
Wollongong Wolves

NAME & CLUB	GOALS SCORED
Thomas James (Wollongong Wolves)	10
Chris Payne (APIA Leichhardt Tigers)	8
Mirjan Pavlovic (Marconi Stallions)	8
Marko Jesic (Marconi Stallions)	6
Alejandro Sanchez (Sydney Olympic)	5
Jordan Swibel (Sydney FC)	5
Peter Simonoski (Sydney United 58)	5
Jeremy Cox (Sutherland Sharks)	4
Brendan Cholakian (Manly United)	4
Amaury Gauthier (Hakoah Sydney City East)	4



## TEAM OF THE WEEK





# 2019 FIXTURES

**HOME GROUND - Win Stadium  
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**ROUND 1**  
v Manly United FC  
2-1

**ROUND 6**  
v Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC  
1-1

**ROUND 9**  
Sunday, 5 May - 3pm  
v Blacktown City FC

**ROUND 10**  
Sunday, 12 May - 3pm  
v Rockdale City Suns FC

**ROUND 13**  
Sunday, 2 June - 3pm  
v APIA Leichhardt Tigers FC

**ROUND 14**  
Sunday, 9 June - 3pm  
v Sydney United 58 FC

**ROUND 15**  
Sunday, 16 June - 3pm  
v Sydney FC

**ROUND 16**  
Sunday, 23 June - 3pm  
v Sydney Olympic FC

**ROUND 18**  
Sunday, 7 July - 3pm  
v Hakoah Sydney City East FC

**ROUND 19**  
Sunday, 21 July - 3pm  
v Sutherland Sharks FC

**ROUND 22**  
Sunday, 11 August - 3pm  
v Marconi Stallions FC  
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