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**ROUND 16** 

Sunday 23 JUNE 2019 4.30pm

**ILINDEN SPORTS CENTRE** 



### **CLUB WELCOME**

Welcome everyone to this round 16 clash against APIA.

We come into this game tied for points in equal 5th position following a disappointing loss last week against Mt Druitt. That said, the boys know the importance of this game and all games during the run to the finals. Our recent record against APIA has not been a good one so we are all hoping this will be the week when we turn it around and get one on the boys from Lambert Park.

With the mid year transfer window now closed, we are delighted to have two familiar faces return to the Club. Trent McClenahan is back on deck following a lengthy stint on the sidelines through injury.

Secondly, we welcome back attacking player Nikola Taneski after a few years away from the Club, most recently with Manly.

Their experience will be valuable in the run home to the finals.

Our under 20's secured a much needed win last week, albeit the scoreline had most people scratching their heads, 7-5. Nonetheless, it was a highly entertaining game and hopefully they can kick on after a few lean results.

Our under 18's were again very unlucky last week but their improvement has been noticed by all.

Away from football, tickets are now on sale for our annual Ilinden Ball taking place on 3rd August. See

event details on our website.

Finally, our annual raffle is now on sale with some fantastic prizes including a \$5000 international travel gift card through one of our sponsors, Millenium Travel. We would like to thank our key raffle partners: Pauls Customs and Forwarding Solutions, Smartline Home Lending Centre at Bexley, Cityview Group and MKD Transcorp.

Look forward to seeing everyone at the game

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## **IST GRADE TEAM LISTS**



1	David	Bradasevic
2	Daniel	Petkovski
3	Mick	Neill
4	Trent	McClenahan
5	Jake	Trajkovski
7	Alec	Urosevski
8	Aleksandar	Canak
9	Jonathan	Grozdanovski
10	Nikola	Taneski
11	Leigh	Egger
12	Idris	El Hafiane
14	Brayden	Sorge
15	Nicholas	Petrillo
16	Alex	Malfara
17	Matthew	Lecce
18	Sasa	Macura
19	Patrick	Savor
20	Howard	Fondyke
21	Blake	Currey
22	Max	Rowston
23	Pani	Nikas
45	Jordan	Figon

Coach: Nick Porreca

Assistant Coach: Matthew Ribarovski Goalkeeper Coach: Jose Bella Migo Team Manager: Spiro Parametis Gear Steward: Jovan Ckorovski

1	lvan	Necevski	(GK
3	Paul	Galimi	
4	Josh	Symons	
6	Chris	Payne	
7	Tynan	Diaz	
8	Corey	Biczo	
10	Franco	Parisi	
12	Sam	McIIIhatton	
14	Lachlan	Hughes	
15	Themba	Muata-Marlow	
16	Sean	Symons	
17	Sam	Gulisano	
18	Adrian	Ucchino	
19	Dom	Nasrabadi	
20	Michael	Trajkovski	
21	Michael	Kouta	
23	Nicholas	Stavroulakis	

Coach: John Calleja

Manager: Sergio Bucciarelli Manager: Sam Barletta Manager: Joe Calabro Manager: Vincent Leto Physio: Michael Sawan

Referee: L. Morgan (Vic)

Assistant Referees: N. Wotton, E. Hayes (NNSW)

Fourth Official: P. Reynolds

## **MATCH PREVIEW**

Rockdale City Suns will be desperate to end their recent form slump and get a win against rivals APIA Leichhardt Tigers when the tow teams go head to head at Ilinden Sports Centre on Sunday.

Rockdale has had one win and three losses from their past five games to fall outside the top five.

They will be out to end that slide against a team they have struggled against in recent times including a 4-0 loss to APIA in round 4 which ultimately proved to be former coach Paul Reid's final match in charge before he was sacked.

A loss to Mt Druitt last week was another bitter blow for the Suns who were riding high at the top end of the table at the midpoint of the season.

Star signing Panny Nikas' injury woes has proven costly for the club with the mercurial midfielder featuring in only six of 15 games so far with his last appearance in team colours coming over a month ago.

Nikas' absence has left the club with a big hole in attack and heaping more pressure on star winger Alec Urosevki along with Jordan Figon to carry the load. While the club has moved swiftly to recruit former player Nikola Taneski for the rest of the NPL NSW Men's season after making the switch from Manly United where the striker had limited minutes at Cromer Park.

Veteran defender Trent McClenehan's injury layoff has also been felt with the side struggling too stop opposition attacks.

Interim coach Nick Porecca will have a big job to do this

week if he is to keep out a fired up APIA team driven to close the gap between them and Wollongong at the top of the table.

The Tigers showed off what they're made of in last week's incredible backs to the wall 1-0 win against Sydney United 58 despite playing more the two thirds of the match with only 10-men.

It is a result which is sure to steel the APIA squad moving forward.

Injuries and suspension could be the undoing of the John Calleja coached side with the first year team manager forced into another reshuffle this week to cover Themba Muata-Marlow's suspension.

Nick Stavroulakis could be in line for extra minutes in midfield after coming on as a late substitute in his first two matches for his new club.

Dom Nasribadi could also see more time on the pitch after his impressive showing against United 58 while Chris Payne will be fired up in hitting the back of the net at Rockdale.

Club stalwart Franco Parisi had a man of the match performance against United 58 last Sunday and it will be his experience that could unlock the Suns defence.

APIA have seemingly had Rockdale's measure in recent times and it is a fact which will surely rankle with those at the llinden Sports Centre club.

The Suns have a point to prove this week so expect a thrilling match-up.

	1ST GRADE - N	IPI	- N	SV	V N	ΛE	N'	5	
POS	TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
1	Wollongong Wolves FC	15	10	3	2	38	13	25	33
2	APIA Leichhardt Tigers FC	15	8	4	3	26	21	5	28
3	Blacktown City FC	15	7	3	5	19	17	2	24
4	Sydney United 58 FC	15	7	3	5	23	26	-3	24
5	Manly United FC	15	6	5	4	21	19	2	23
6	Rockdale City Suns FC	15	7	2	6	19	24	-5	23
7	Sydney Olympic FC	15	5	5	5	26	24	2	20
8	Marconi Stallions FC	15	6	1	8	32	26	6	19
9	Sutherland Sharks FC	15	4	6	5	19	19	0	18
10	Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC	15	4	5	6	25	32	-7	17
11	Sydney FC	15	4	2	9	21	34	-13	14
12	Hakoah Sydney City East FC	15	2	1	12	9	23	-14	7

### **1ST GRADE REVIEWS**

#### Mt Druitt Town Rangers 2 – Rockdale City Suns 0 at Popondetta Park

Mt Druitt Town Rangers has stunned Rockdale City Suns 2-0 at Popondetta Park on Saturday.

The result was the Rangers second win in as many games with their perforance sure to put a smile on coach Aidan Desmond's face.

Two goals in the first half sealed the deal for the home side. Strikes from the mercurial Fabricio Fernandez and John Roberts were enough to seal all three points as Mt Druitt secured their first back-to-back wins of the season.

For Rockdale it was another stiff reality check as Nick Porecca's side stumble their way through the second half of the campaign.



## APIA Leichhardt Tigers 1 – Sydney United 58 0 at Lambert Park

10-man APIA Leichhardt Tigers have claimed an incredible 1-0 win against all odds at Lambert Park on Sunday.

Former Sydney United 58 striker Chris Payne pulled a Rabona kick from his bag of tricks which deflected off a defender into the back of the net to give APIA the incredible, yet unlikely, victory.

The home side was forced to play a man down after only 24 minutes when Themba Muata-Marlow was sent for an early shower for a tug on the shirt of United striker Peter Simonoski.

It made for a tense and thrilling match with neither side giving an inch.

However, United 58 could never take advantage of their extra player and paid the price in the dying stages of the match.

The result keeps APIA in second spot on the ladder while United 58 stay in fourth.





## **TEAM OF THE WEEK**



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  - National Policy on
  - Match-Fixing in Sport
  - FIFA Code of Ethics
- FIFA Code of Ethics e-Learning Tool







## U20'S TEAM LISTS



26	Joshua	Jenicek
27	Jackson	Angelou
28	Emelio	Fadel
29	Daniel	Blachura
30	Nathan	Manno
31	Mouhamed	Hamdache
32	Mohamed	Ahmed
33	James	Cakovski
34	Jacob	Botic (GK
35	Noah	Botic
38	Samuel	Shainfeld
39	Alexander	Fadel
40	Gabriel	Cole
41	Gabriel	Contigiani

Coach: Steve Zoric

Assistant Coach: Gary Deprato

Manager: Jack Bulis

30	Michael	Van Walsum (GK)
31	Cameron	Ward
32	Nick	Azzone
33	Peter	Nichols
34	Zander	Regan
35	Oscar	Bernauer
36	Nathan	Mellino
37	Alex	Graorovski
38	Bradley	Dollins
39	Anthony	Sparacino
40	Zeke	Prisuda
41	Jacob	Ritchie
42	Camil	Abouchaaya
43	Gian	Fiorese
44	Joseph	Lameri
45	Kashmir	Stelio-Prasad
50	Harris	Fotopoulos (GK)

Coaches: Gerard Peacock and Matthew Michael

Manager: Joe Garufi

	U20'S - NPL NSW MEN'S								
POS	TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
1	Blacktown City FC	15	10	4	1	35	12	23	34
2	Sydney FC	15	6	6	3	24	16	8	24
3	APIA Leichhardt Tigers FC	14	7	3	4	18	10	8	24
4	Rockdale City Suns FC	15	7	3	5	33	26	7	24
5	Sutherland Sharks FC	15	6	4	5	18	17	1	22
6	Manly United FC	15	6	3	6	25	27	-2	21
7	Sydney Olympic FC	14	6	3	5	18	20	-2	21
8	Wollongong Wolves FC	15	6	0	9	18	26	-8	18
9	Marconi Stallions FC	15	4	5	6	21	28	-7	17
10	Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC	15	4	4	7	28	33	-5	16
11	Hakoah Sydney City East FC	14	3	4	7	22	33	-11	13
12	Sydney United 58 FC	14	2	3	9	16	28	-12	9

## **U20'S MATCH PREVIEW**

Rockdale conceded five goals against Mt Druitt last weekend but scored seven of their own to come away from Popondetta with one of the most spectacular victories of the season.

The win at Mt Druitt gave Rockdale their first win in four weeks, a much-needed result in the context of their season. Rockdale looked to be slipping out of the five but are now back level with Sydney FC and this weekend's opponents APIA Leichhardt, ten points behind Blacktown City.

APIA arrive at Ilinden Sports Centre after an interrupted gameweek saw their Round 15 match against Sydney United 58 cancelled due to heavy rain.

The Tigers dropped behind Sydney FC on goal difference, but could find themselves clear in second place and only seven points off top spot should they take full advantage of their game in hand.

A win at Rockdale on Sunday afternoon, while not crucial, could well set APIA on their way as they look to reel in Blacktown City at the top of the table.









## **TOP GOAL SCORERS**



THOMAS JAMES WOLLONGONG WOLVES

NAME & CLUB	GOALS SCORED
Thomas James (Wollongong Wolves)	18
Chris Payne (APIA Leichhardt Tigers)	13
Alejandro Sanchez (Sydney Olympic)	11
Marko Jesic (Marconi Stallions)	9
Mirjan Pavlovic (Marconi Stallions)	8
Mitchell Mallia (Marconi Stallions)	8
Jeremy Cox (Sutherland Sharks)	8
Brendan Cholakian (Manly United)	7
Peter Simonoski (Sydney United 58)	7
Fabricio Fernandez (Mt Druitt Town Rangers)	7



## U18'S TEAM LISTS



Matty	Marrum
Kris	Jovanovski
Tony	Mrencevski
Daniel	Geroski
Dion	Ikonomopoulos
Zachary	Kisur
Lachlan	Dick
Joel	Hollingdale
Kane	Arduin
Jayden	Anevski
Ryan	Velovski
Nathan	Thome
James	Nikolovski
Christian	Aneski
Dimitri	Gremos

Coach: Jane Talcevski Assistant Coach: Patrick Hooper

44	Ali	Al Yasiry
47	Noah	Vidler
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	George	Marangos
63	Bronson	Spencer
64	Asheitip	Amom
70	Jett	Griffiths (GK)
80	Mirko	Nisevic (GK)

Coach: Sam Solidakis

Assistant Coach: Anthony Mazza

Manager: Jill Shoemark

	U18'S - NPL NSW MEN'S								
POS	TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
1	Blacktown City FC	15	12	2	1	40	12	28	38
2	Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC	15	10	3	2	38	26	12	33
3	Sydney FC	15	10	2	3	38	20	18	32
4	Sydney United 58 FC	14	7	2	5	33	24	9	23
5	Hakoah Sydney City East FC	14	6	2	6	25	22	3	20
6	Manly United FC	15	5	5	5	25	24	1	20
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9	Sutherland Sharks FC	15	5	2	8	22	28	-6	17
10	Wollongong Wolves FC	14	3	3	8	19	28	-9	12
11	APIA Leichhardt Tigers FC	14	2	4	8	16	31	-15	10
12	Sydney Olympic FC	14	1	3	10	10	34	-24	6

## **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP**

CLUB	PLAYED	U18'S	U20'S	1ST	TOTAL
Blacktown City FC	45	38	68	96	202
Wollongong Wolves FC	45	12	36	132	180
APIA Leichhardt Tigers FC	43	10	48	112	170
Rockdale City Suns FC	45	18	48	92	158
Manly United FC	45	20	42	92	154
Sydney United 58 FC	43	23	18	96	137
Sydney FC	45	32	48	56	136
Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC	45	33	32	68	133
Sutherland Sharks FC	45	17	44	72	133
Sydney Olympic FC	43	6	42	80	128
Marconi Stallions FC	45	18	34	76	128
Hakoah Sydney City East FC	43	20	26	28	74

#### **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP RANKING**

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

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ROUND 3 v Hakoah Sydney City East FC 0-3 ROUND 4 v Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC 0-2

ROUND 6 v Sydney Olympic FC 2-1 ROUND 7 v Sydney FC 2-1

ROUND 9 v Manly United FC 2-1 ROUND 12 v Sydney United 58 FC 2-3

ROUND 13 v Marconi Stallions FC 2-5 ROUND 16 Sunday, 23 June - 4.30pm v APIA Leichhardt Tigers FC

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