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# MATCH PREVIEW



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The 2018 League and Championship winning team Sydney Olympic come to the Illawarra region for the 2019 Round 16 match with Wollongong Wolves at WIN Stadium. This will be the seventy-fifth League meeting between the two clubs with two hundred and twenty-four goal being scored in league matches involving the two teams with an average of 3.02 goals per match.

## THE OPPOSITION TODAY - SYDNEY OLYMPIC

For the 2019 season, new recruits to the squad include the return of the Gaitatzis brothers, Harris and Michael to the club (Harris from Rockdale City Suns and Michael from Mounties Wanderers plus the return of Mitchell Stamatellis (from Hakoah Sydney City East) and Troy Danaskos (from Marconi). Another returnee from a long-standing injury is Hagy Gligor.

Sydney Olympic last won honours by winning the 2018 Grand Final, defeating APIA Leichhardt by three goals to one after annexing the premiership in the final round. A brace to the Spanish striker Alejandro Sanchez Lopez (who also achieved the Robbie Slater Medal for the best performance of the match) and one to Radovan Pavicevic proved the

difference between the two teams. Other players in the team on this day were Paul Henderson, Tom Whiteside, William Angel, Jason Madonis, Max Burgess, Jinya An, Zac Mackenzie, Darcy Burgess and Riley Woodcock. Brendan Hooper, Nick Tsattalios and James Demetriou replaced Angel, Pavicevic and Sanchez-Lopez with the coach being Abbas Saad.

Olympic in 2018 won fifteen games, drew three and suffered four defeats, scoring forty goals and conceding 19 with a goal difference of +21. The biggest win was 5-1 versus the Wolves with 0-2 being the least favourable defeat. The best sequence without loss was nine, Rounds 3-11, win, win, win, draw, win, win, win and win. The worst losing streak was two matches, Round 17-18. The top scorer was Alejandro Sanchez-Lopez with a league tally of seventeen goals and runner up in the Leagues' Golden Boot, with a further five goals being achieved in the finals. There were a total of nine scorers and seven clean sheets during the season.

Since 2014, the club has finished in 4th, 4th, 6th, 5th and 1st. The club has made a jump from 2017 to the top spot after being consistent on the lower end of the top five.

Also in 2018, Olympic was involved the NPL Finals Series and won their first match versus Perth SC by 1-0 through a Jason Madonis penalty conversion in the sixth minute before playing South Australia's



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Campbelltown City SC. However, despite going ahead through Max Burgess, the South Australians equalized immediately prior to half time before, before a penalty conversion by Campbelltown's former Sydney FC player, Iain Fyfe, gave the locals the progression through to the final and disappointedly at Olympics' expense, though the team gave it their all.

## THE MATCH - UP

The top scorer for each club is Thomas James and Alejandro Sanchez-Lopez with 18 and 11 goals respectively. The scorer of the team's previous goal is Thomas James and Peter Kekeris for the Wolves and Olympic respectively.

Sydney has thirteen wins to the Wolves' ten in their match-ups since the 2004/05 season with the Wolves winning 2-0, while Olympic has kept the Wolves scoreless in nine matches while the converse is four. Olympic has achieved a tally of fifty-two goals since 2004/05 to the Wolves thirty-four.

In the previous round Sydney Olympic won 1-0 over Hakoah Sydney City East and the Wolves defeated Sydney FC 4-0.

The position on the table sees the Wolves on top with ten wins and three draws on thirty-three points with Sydney Olympic, with five wins and five draws, is in seventh position on twenty points.

The result sequence in the previous five games is SO

- loss, loss, win, draw and win, WW - win, win, win, loss and win.

The best result for each team in 2019 is 4-0 for the Wolves over Sydney FC, Manly United, Blacktown City and APIA Leichhardt while Olympic's best is 6-2 over Mt. Druitt Town Rangers.

The Wolves have been kept scoreless on one occasion in 2019 to Sydney Olympics' three.

## PLAYERS TO WATCH

Alejandro Sanchez-Lopez has scored four goals in two matches against the Wolves and will fancy his chances once again. He is a skilful player, dangerous when given a sniff at the goal, and will pounce in an instant.

James Stojcevski is a skilful midfielder player who is a dead ball specialist with corner kicks and free kicks having set up many goal scoring opportunities and conversions. As well as assisting in goal pursuits for his teammates, he has scored himself during 2019. He is an integral part in a well-oiled team with his incisive passing and close ball skills to beat defenders.

## BLAST FROM THE PAST

Following on from the NSL, the teams met for the first time in the NSW Premier League in Round 6 in the 2004/05 season at Jubilee Stadium, Kogarah.

Olympic consisted of Brett Hughes, Michael



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Beauchamp, Damon Collina, Peter McPherson, Paul Kohler, Wayne O'Sullivan, Shane Lyons, Carlo Musumeci, Marino Musumeci, Matt Gordon and Esala Masi. Tarek Elrich and Nick Stavroulakis replaced Collina and M. Musumeci respectively.

Conversely the Wolves' line-up was, Daniel Beltrame, George Souris, Dominic Longo, Robert Cazzolli, Ben Blake (Capt.), Daniel Aliffi, Adam Hughes, Mineo Bonetig, Chad Bishop, Michael Clare and Shane McGirr. Matt Werasko and Craig Morton came on for Cazzolli and Bishop. The coach was Adrian Alston.

It was a keenly contested match with both sides needing a garner a victory as both teams were in the lower half of the points table. Five minutes shy of half an hour, the Wolves scored first. Souris, who recently signed for the Wolves from Olympic, won the ball in a tackle before passing to Bonetig. The skilful player located McGirr with an incisive pass. The ace striker, McGirr then shrugged off a several defenders to place the ball past Hughes into the goal. Further on, a Clare corner kick caused consternation but Hughes grabbed it. The Wolves increased their lead in the thirty-second minute. Wide player Aliffi beat his attendant marker. He crossed to the far post from out on the right. Adam Hughes was there to nod home.

In the seventy-fourth minute, the speedy Elrich pursued the ball to collect just before it went over the by line. He cut back a pass to Masi. With time on his side, he managed to plan his shot, with it going in from ten metres out. McGirr nearly brought up his brace after Bonetig and Clare were instrumental. Lyons cleared a McGirr shot off the line. Through Lyons, Kohler, Elrich and Masi, Olympic chased an equalizer but Souris, Blake and Beltrame held firm for the 2-1 victory, the second in the campaign.

## SCORES AND SCORERS FROM THE PREVIOUS FIVE LEAGUE MEETING

1. 2017. Sydney Olympic 3 (William Angel, Nick Tsattalios, Jason Madonis) defeated Wolves 1 (Yuzo Tashiro)

2. 2017. Wolves 2 (Patrick Antelmi, Nick Montgomery) defeated Sydney Olympic 1 (Nick Tsattalios)

3.2018. Sydney Olympic 5 (Radovan Pavicevic x2, Thomas Whiteside, Alejandro Sanchez-Lopez x2)

def Wolves 1 (Nick Montgomery)

4.2018. Wolves 0 defeated by Sydney Olympic 4 (Alejandro Sanchez-Lopez x2, Nick Tsattalios, Max Burgess)

5. 2019 Sydney Olympic 0 defeated by Wolves 2 (Lachlan Scott, Darcy Madden).

## WOLVES' PAST PLAYER OF NOTE - MARTIN BOURKE

The defender Bourke played five seasons with the Wolves from the 1991/1992 season to the 1996/97 season amassing one hundred and thirteen starting performances with fourteen appearances from the bench. He made his debut in Round 19 as a substitute versus Melbourne Knights on the 7th February 1992. He had formerly played in the NSL with Blacktown City and Wollongong Macedonia. He was a solid defender, a good tackler and positioned himself well in defence.

## SELECTED SYDNEY OLYMPIC PLAYER OF NOTE - BRETT EMERTON

Midfielder Emerton played ninety-four league games for Sydney Olympic from the 1996/97 season up to and including the 1998/99 season scoring sixteen goals in all, with nine being achieved in his fourth season. Emerton left Olympic to play in Holland for Feyenoord followed by Blackburn Rovers for eight seasons and three seasons back in Australia with Sydney FC from 2011-2014 with a seven goal haul.

## SELECTED REPRESENTATIVE OF BOTH CLUBS - GEORGE BOUHOUTSOS

Goalkeeper Bouhoutsos signed with the Wolves from St.George and achieved thirty-three appearances in three seasons, 1989, 1989/90, 1990/91. He garnered eleven clean sheets, a 33.3% per game statistic. He is fourth in the club's NSL goalkeepers clean sheet record.

With Olympic he notched up five seasons and fifty-nine starting appearances and one substitute on field role. A clean sheet tally of sixteen has him fifth on the club's goalkeeper clean sheet record a 26.6%.

He was an Australian Youth International at U17 and U20 level.

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Captains have responsibilities whether in successful and not so flourishing teams with these circumstances shaping the incumbents' effectiveness in the role. The captains listed have been examples for future leaders to follow even though each individual leader have their different strengths that come to the fore.

The captains for the two FFA Cup Round of 32 matches in 2014 and 2016 versus Central Coast Mariners and Sydney FC were Matthew Bailey and Chris Price. The teams had won through the earlier rounds in different circumstances and had justifiably qualified for these historic occasions in the club's history.

Midfield player Matthew Bailey in his second stint at the club was installed as captain during the 2014 season from Round 8 on. He was encouraging leader and his consistent displays led the way. He was a skilful player with persistence and sharpness. Following the game he stated – 'It was a little bit disappointing obviously but we have to put it perspective. Central Coast was very well prepared, they were sharp right across the park. In the second half we showed we could match them in some parts and had some chances, which unfortunately we could not convert. It took us awhile to adjust to the pace of the game but credit to the boys we really

dug deep. It was good performance but not the result we wanted.'

Left defender/wingback Chris Price was the leader in the 2015, 2016 and 2017 season with plenty of experience behind him. He has been a highly consistent performer and his ability level is not to be taken lightly. He is an encouraging leader and takes on the responsibility with aplomb. He led the team to qualify for the 2015 Finals series through his deeds on the field and his inspiration. Following the Marconi game in Round 22. The captain said – 'We did not come out with anywhere near the intensity that we needed to. It was a big game and they were desperate for a result.... We did enough to get over the line like we had in the past few weeks. ... The team is amazing, facing adversity front on all year and from where we have come from, having shown a never say die attitude, giving a hundred per cent every week and taking one week at a time. It's a great bunch of boys with great team spirit.'

Right sided defender David Green was the captain in the 1990/91 season and beyond. He was an example in the side and he led through his experience and his playing ability.

Goalkeeper Brody Crane was the team leader for the 2011 season. He played all twenty two-league



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games and inspired his team with his exploits between the sticks and gave confidence and belief to the squad. In a post match interview he stated - 'with the way we play I need to sweep the back four quite a lot. On each occasion, I was able to just get there in time, otherwise I would have been in trouble. Yeah, I was disappointed to concede the early goal. As a team we battled which is always what we try to do. It was a good performance personally and I'm very happy to battle it out and get a win in the end, because we haven't got too many so far. I think we started a bit slow, whether it was just a hangover from Wednesday night. We're playing two games a week for the past couple of weeks so that may be the case. But I think we got better as the game went on and we started to get a feel for the pitch and each other.'

English striker Stuart Young was the captain in the 2003/04 seasons. He played twenty-four appearances with one from the bench in his final season with the club. He was an example to his teammates as he led the attack and was the ultimate professional. He was a top scorer and his efforts were the instigation for many victories in league, cup and championships for the club and his team members. He inspired confidence and coolness.

Nick Montgomery had previous experience as captain being in that position in the A-League with Central Coast Mariners. At the Wolves he began the role in the 2018 season. In his first game he encouraged the debut players in the midfield and he does what his players are asked to do. He is a tower of strength as he goes about his business and his displays are there to gain motivation. Following the Round 1 Blacktown match, he stated - '...First game of the season and there were a lot of nerves.. We have quite a few new boys in the team.'

A new leader for one season came to the club in 2010, being Lisandro Berbis, a midfield player who made nineteen appearances including one from the bench. He showed the way with his performances.

The English midfielder John Fleming in 1984 and 1985 was the incumbent skipper and covered a lot of ground during matches to be a model for his teammates in years where relative success was difficult to achieve. Never the less, Fleming was an inspiration in the leader's position.

David Ratcliffe, a no nonsense central defender that was very solid in the tackle, possessed good aerial ability and could hold the ball up under trying circumstances was the team leader in the 1989, 1989/90 to 1991/92 seasons. He was able to encourage his team with words and deeds.

The following players became captain in certain occasions when the incumbent may have injured or rested from cup games or unavailable due to other reasons.

Goalkeeper Daniel Collison came out in front of the team in FFA Cup Round 5 fixture with Kemblawarra Fury in 2016 who stated post match - 'It was a good experience leading the boys out tonight, thoroughly enjoyed it. The boys were made to work hard for this win tonight. Fury came with a lot of intent but we got the job done in the end and I was happy with the clean sheet. I was happy on a personal level but I am proud of the boys tonight, how they dug deep in defence, it was very solid. We had a few out and are very thin at the moment.' He again wore the armband in Round 6 Cup versus Bulli FC and in the Round 7 Wagga Wagga Wanderers game. Collison showed his commitment to the team and club was



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highly motivated and encouraged his teammates.

It was in the Round 3 of the Tiger Turf Cup in 2008 when defender, Alfredo Estevez wore the captain's armband. Estevez was in the central defender position and as a senior player led the Wolves side with his performance and his attention to the forefront. It was a game that went into extra time and penalties and he was there at the conclusion when the team lost narrowly to Granville Rage.

Central defender Michael Robinson was the captain in the 2013 Round 5 Blacktown Spartans and in Round 12 Sutherland Sharks match at Seymour Shaw Park. Plus the 2013 Round 5 Waratah Cup against Bonnyrigg White Eagles. In addition he was involved in the coin toss in the 2014 Round 22 match with APIA Leichhardt. He is a consistent and safe defender who never shirks his duty and inspires those around him with his deeds and conviction.

James Baldacchino from the central defender position led the team out in the 2014 Round 5 Waratah Cup match with Sutherland Sharks. He led from the back, showing a strong commitment to the club and was an example as a younger player to

move up the ranks.

Michael O'Shea, the central defender, took over, as the incumbent was not available. He led his team onto the field in 1993/94 season Round 18 Marconi match and according to reports was sickened by the Marconi equalizer after the team had worked so hard. He captained a number of other games when Charlie Yankos was injured. O'Shea was the consummate professional.

Many varied personalities have led out the team and worked their roles in the best way possible and to the ultimate of their abilities. These 'captains of your ship' were Matthew Bailey, Lisandro Berbis, Brody Crane, David Green, John Fleming, Nick Montgomery, Chris Price David Ratcliffe and Stuart Young, together with James Baldacchino, Daniel Collison, Alfredo Estevez, Michael O'Shea and Michael Robinson.

By Malcolm Rowney

(Players' comments are extracts from interviews conducted by the writer and published in his match reports at the time.)



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9	Thomas	James
10	Brendan	Griffin
11	Takeru	Okada
12	Luke	Kairies (GK)
13	Stefan	Dimoski
14	Harry	Callahan
15	Nicholas	Littler
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# PISTOL PETE: A BREAKER'S LEGEND

## Gerringong's Finest Football Club



Peter 'Pistol' Pearce was one of the five founding members of Gerringong Breakers Football Club. The year was 1985, and the club entered just one men's side into the Shoalhaven's Third Grade Competition. Peter was the Club's first President and can still remember its inaugural year. The club had to borrow nets and equipment from the local school, and players would play at an indoor competition in Kiama, with the intent to use the prize money to purchase the club its own equipment.

Flash forward 32 years, and Pistol Pete can still be found at Gerry Emery Oval cheering on his beloved club, the mighty Gerringong Breakers. He is overcome with pride when he considers how far the club has come since 1985. The Breakers today have over 300 registered players (220 juniors and 85 senior players), and the club is arguably in the best period of its history to date. The men's First Grade were League Champions in 2016 and 2017 and are on course for a finals spot again this season. In addition to that, the 1st Grade Women's team have been League and Grand Final Double Winners for 3 years in a row (2015, 2016, & 2017).

A life member of Gerringong Breakers Football Club, Peter 'Pistol' Pearce can still remember the late 80s/early 90s, when games were played at Cronin's Oval before the club moved to Gerry Emery Oval. "There would often be a mix up between the clubs using Cronin's, and field lines would be incorrectly marked" Pearce recalled. "There were plenty of times I'd be mowing the field markings in hours before kick off so the boys could play". His favourite position was in midfield, but that was not always Pistol's role at school, where he began playing as a Goalkeeper. "For the Breakers, I was a bit of a utility player, I was happy to have a run where needed, but midfield was my favourite".

When asked for his favourite memory with the Breakers, Pistol Pete chose the 1985 inaugural



season, where Gerringong defeated Culburra in the Grand Final to be Third Grade minor Premiers and Grand Final winners in their first season. "I came on as a sub with 15 minutes to go, the boys were 2-0 up at that point. I'll never forget that day". His only goal for the club is another memory, not least of all because it was scored from inside his own half! "It was my last game for the Breakers, and the ball rolled to me just inside our half. I had a defender closing me down and made a rushed decision to punt it long. I can remember thinking worst case scenario it'll be a goal kick or the lads up top will deal with it up there. I caught it pretty sweet off the laces, and it looked like it was heading well over, so I turned my back to get ready for the goal kick. I didn't see it drop over the top of the keeper and into the net".

Fast 5 Q&A:

- 1) Favourite Breakers moment: 1985 minor and grand final winners in our Inaugural year
- 2) Favourite team: West Ham United
- 3) Skill/sporting attribute I wish I had: speed
- 4) Favourite Player: Gordon Banks
- 5) Favourite position: Midfield/ anywhere as long as I could get a run





# HAPPENINGS TEN TIMES YEARS AGO

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'Happenings ten times years ago' is a review of the circumstances surrounding the 2009 league and cup competitions.

Following the withdrawal of funding following the 2008 off-season, the Wollongong Wolves as an entity folded. The newly named Wollongong Community Football Club rose from the ashes, wrought with the assistance of a small number of enthusiastic and dedicated people who worked tirelessly to get the club up and running. Supporters became members to assist with the finances. It was not entirely certain that the club would be accepted into the N.S.W. Premier League. However, notification came though late with the acceptance, which gave scant time to recruit players and mould them into a cohesive unit. Tony Pace was installed as the inaugural coach. A number of players stayed on from 2008 namely Steve Hayes, Ballamodou Conde, Ilija Prenzoski, Alfredo Estevez and Samet Kaynak. The newly formed team was a blend of experience and youth.

The first game was played away to Bankstown City Lions and the team that took to the field in the club's first competition match was Alex Augusto in goal, Jamie Pitt, Estevez, Ben Bronneberg, Hayes, Conde, Brendan Kearns, Chris Nathaniel, Josh Price, Prenzoski and Kaynak. During the proceedings, Dave Abel, Daniel Cortez and Steve Dimitrievski came on as substitutes for Price, Nathaniel and Cortez. At the final whistle, Wollongong had succumbed by a solitary goal. Prenzoski had rattled the post early in the second half, which was the closest the team came to scoring.

The initial home game was played at Crehan Park with the opposition being the newly promoted Bonnyrigg White Eagles. James Lawrence and Keiran Deane had replaced Price and Kearns in the starting line-up for this encounter, the only changes to the team that had played in the previous round. Prenzoski scored after fifty-one minutes to peg one back following Bonnyrigg venturing out to a 2-0 lead after scoring in the twenty-fourth and thirty-third minutes. However, another goal to Prenzoski on sixty-eight minutes restored parity. However, five minutes later, Kaynak secured the winner. Hayes had cleared off the line to thwart a guilt-edged White Eagles opportunity and Prenzoski went close to adding one more when he latched onto a custodian's miscued back pass clearance only to be impeded.

Hayes was hauled back a minute later, for a penalty kick for Prenzoski to duly convert. Lawrence and Prenzoski set up Kaynak to strike home for a much-deserved victory. This turned out to be the only one for the entire league season, despite some close shaves and a great deal of bad luck. Coach Pace stated - 'I was pleased with the win. It was a good come back and the team had spirit and will listen to my ideas.' Prenzoski - 'It was another goal and another day and the team rallied well in the second half.' Kaynak - 'it was good to get on the score sheet for the first time this season in front of a big crowd. It was first goal since the Grand Final. Ilija is great to play along side. He encourages and creates space for me.'

Sydney United provided the opposition for Round 3 and in an even match, Sydney sneaked home the winner following an unfortunate Estevez own goal. Pace - 'I thought a draw would have been a fair result. Wollongong Community can stand tall. We matched them for the whole ninety minutes. We did not take any points and football is a cruel game sometimes.' Captain Hayes - 'that's football (on own goal.) Sometimes things go your way but not today. Very positive things came out of the game today. All the young players are standing up really well. We will keep it going and look forward to the next game.'

In Round 4, Sydney Olympic at their home ground piled on five goals with Wollongong responding with two by Prenzoski and Lawrence. Prenzoski scored just after thirty-eight seconds, which was quickest goal all season. Lawrence attained his debut goal following a goalmouth scramble. As a result of this loss, Wollongong was consigned to twelfth position and occupied this position from thence onwards. Corey Horner and Jack Keating made their first team debuts after coming on as replacements.

Due to a beetle infestation to the Crehan Park pitch, the home game against Sutherland Sharks was transferred to Slacks Flat Oval, Bulli Showground. It was not to be lucky as Sutherland hit five goals in a demolition before a long range effort from Hayes caused Wollongong supporters a faint smile in a gloomy atmosphere.

An away loss to fellow strugglers Penrith-Nepean United by one followed and this result compounded the feeling of desperation.

# HAPPENINGS TEN TIMES YEARS AGO

A new home ground was found after the failed Slacky Flat experiment and it was Macedonia Park at Berkeley. It was an overcast day and a seven goal rout by Marconi made it a sombre occasion for the club. Wollongong's incumbent custodian succumbed to a pre-game injury and young Bryce Daenell took over between the posts. It was a baptism of fire for this individual. Aden Wade, a young striker, made his debut in this match. Following this loss, Pace stated – 'It is very difficult at the moment. We have inexperienced players playing pedigree clubs with money to buy the type of players Marconi has. I can't blame the players that I've got. I can only work with what I have got. Following these events, Pace was replaced as coach with Glen Fontana taking over in a caretaker position. As it turned out, the former Wolves striker stayed for the rest of the season in an endeavor to halt the slide. With a new coach at the helm, an improved display saw the team draw against Manly United. It was at Cromer Park with Kaynak netting for the away team in the thirty-eight minute, following the Manly custodian's punch out in a not too convincing manner. Kaynak collected the loose ball to then side foot it into the goal. Matt Brandalise played his initial game in goal.

A home defeat by two goals versus West Sydney

Berries was followed by a 3-0 away loss to Blacktown City. Kaynak had a good chance to score with only the Berries' custodian to beat. However, he stuck his effort wide. Hayes and Nathaniel had further attempts but despite being on target, the custodian prevented both. Fontana stated following this Berries encounter – 'we had our chances but we played below our level of the previous game. We are working hard on dead ball situations. If the walls are not set up properly we will be punished. Losing the ball was through poor technique. At the back it was disappointing. We did not have the venom in tackling. In midfield we struggled with our shape. Up front there was not much happening. We were not commanding. We have a long way to go but I haven't lost faith.'

Sydney Tigers (APIA) got home with a 2-1 victory at the Berkeley ground with Hayes again netting for Wollongong in Round 11. A lofted Deane ball fell into the path of Hayes, before he projected the ball past the outstretched custodian to equalize. However, Sydney added another with six minutes remaining to gain the victory. The home team deserved a point with a hint of off side in the Tigers' second goal. Fontana – 'their second goal was definitely off side! So how do you come back from



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that?... We deserved a point. We fought back and got the goal... Suddenly it was all undone. When you are not going well these decisions don't come our way.... We have to look at ourselves and see what we can do. We have some hard decisions to make and the club knows that.'

An away match to Bonnyrigg White Eagles in Round 13 was the next assignment, as the Round 12 fixture was not played at the scheduled time due to the home pitch being unplayable due to adverse weather. The White Eagles scored two unanswered goals though Hayes went closed with a thirty metres shot that crashed into the cross bar.

The next home game, the Round 12 postponed fixture versus Bankstown Lions was played at WIN Stadium on a Tuesday night and driving rain was ever present throughout the match. Two of Wollongong's new signings were involved in the first goal. James Vaughn in his debut sent in a cross following his overlapping run. The ball reached the new player Lachlan Cahill near the far post. He rifled the ball into the net and Wollongong had hit the lead. Twenty-four minutes later, Bankstown equalized from the penalty spot, which was taken twice, due to encroachment. Cahill subsequently earned a penalty and Prenzoski duly converted. The Bankstown team received good fortune when they were awarded another penalty kick following the referee's handball decision. There was a lot of conjecture about where the ball had actually struck the hand. However, Bonnyrigg directed the spot kick to garner the three points. Wollongong had played well and this effort belied their position on the points' table. Another new signing who made his debut in this game was James Monie. Fontana - 'we competed well tonight and just like our efforts against Bonnyrigg we got nothing out of the game.

Five days later came a 2-1 away loss to Sydney United with Deane scoring, slotting the ball in the bottom left corner of the goal.

The next home match was against Sydney Olympic who came down the coast with the celebrated Mark Bosnich in goal. Wollongong once more had scored first through Hayes, when he headed home a Monie headed pass twenty-two minutes into the encounter but this time held on for a draw after Olympic equalized. Vaughan played his final game for Wollongong before heading back to England for a new contract. His four game stint showed that he

was a more than capable player who had made a huge contribution to the team with his play. Fontana - 'it was a good even contest but I suppose what we got was fair. They had one that hit the post and we had a chance at the end but we got a point. Abel did well in the heart of defence and Vaughn played well and Bronneberg also. Cahill's a good player and big Monie worked very hard up front. And Hayes again. It was nice to get a point, but we just can't get the win. A nice crowd and it gives us a bit of confidence.' Monie - 'It's always hard playing up front by yourself. It's good having Haysey just behind. He works so hard and it's kind of having another striker there with you. It was a good result.'

Sutherland brought Wollongong back to reality with a 3-0 win. A narrow loss to Penrith-Nepean by one goal to nil was the final game for Cahill before he returned overseas once again. Conde came extremely close to scoring for his team as he unleashed a shot from twenty metres out. The ball flew in and cannoned into the underside of the crossbar and there was conjecture whether it had crossed the goal line or not. Fontana - 'we gave it a good go. We were better than them in the first half and much better in the second half. Everyone put in an effort. We will not give in and will keep at it.' Deane - I don't think it was a hand ball (by Estevez). I thought the ball hit his arm. Another game the decision may have gone the other way. To be honest I thought it (Conde's effort) went in, but the referee was closer than I was. The boys put in the effort today... I had a couple of goes at goal. We have games to play. We're definitely not giving up. We will take each one at a time.'

An improved result against Marconi, albeit a two-goal loss, came prior to a loss to Manly United by the identical margin. New recruit Jamie McMaster debuted for Wollongong, as did Nick Littler and substitute Peter Simonovski.

West Berries put six past the defence for one in return, scored by Prenzoski. Jake Duczynski made his debut off the bench.

Blacktown City Demons was the opposition for the final home game. It was a 4-2 win for the visiting team but it was pleasing for Wollongong CFC as two teenagers Gameiro and Simonovski netted for the home team. Gameiro achieved in the sixty-ninth minute when he was put through. With only the Blacktown custodian in his way, he rounded him

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before slotting the ball home.

The team line-up for the away final game against Sydney Tigers was Alex Augusto, Corey Horner, Kieran Deane, James Lawrence, Brendan Kearns, Chris Nathaniel, Jamie McMaster, Ilija Prenzосki, Steve Hayes, Brian Vanega and James Monie. Simonovski, Keating and Littler came on as substitutes for Kearns, Lawrence and Nathaniel respectively. Wollongong scored five goals in this match through Prenzосki with two, Monie, Hayes and McMaster adding the others. The Tigers replied with six to win the game.

The Tigers had attained two goals before Wollongong got into the act. Monie had received an incisive pass from Lawrence and he pushed the ball past the custodian into the goal three minutes after the Tigers' second. Wollongong equalized through Hayes, after Monie had headed the down. Hayes worked into space before powering into the goal. Prenzосki got his team to take the lead when prior a Kearns pass put the striker through. As the custodian advanced, Prenzосki chipped the custodian to score. Two goals after half time saw the Tigers regain the lead and then added two more. The away team pushed their score along when McMaster scored from spot kick after Brian Vanega was pole-axed and Prenzосki brought up his brace when he was allowed space. He took advantage and projected the ball beating a host of players on the way in.

Wollongong CFC unfortunately finished with the wooden spoon in twelfth position, with a total of five points from one win and two draws. Twenty goals were scored and sixty-two were conceded. A total of thirty players were utilized. Ilija Prenzосki made the most number of appearances with nineteen starts and one substitute outing while Steve Hayes and Alex Augusto equalled the number of starting appearances with nineteen also. The remaining players are listed with their starting and substitute appearances. They are – Balamodou Conde (18+2), Dave Abel (17+1), James Lawrence (16+2), Deane (15+5), Brendan Kearns (15+1), Chris Nathaniel (15), Alfredo Estevez (14+2), Ben Bronneberg (11+2), Samet Kaynak (10+2), James Monie (6+1), Jamie Pitt (6), Aden Wade (5), Lachlan Cahill (5), Steve Dimitrievski (2+5), Cory Gameiro (5+5), Corey Horner (3+1), James Vaughan (4), Brian Vanega ((2+6), Josh Price (2+2), Jamie McMaster (2+1), Matt Brandalise (2), Nick Littler (1+1), Bryce Daenell

(1), Daniel Cortez (0+6), Jack Keating (0+3), Peter Simonoski (0+3), Jake Duczynski (0+1).

Prenzосki also was top scorer with seven goals to his credit followed by Hayes with four. The remaining scorers were Lachlan Cahill (1), Kieran Deane (1), Peter Simonoski (1), Samet Kaynak (1), Corey Gameiro (1), Jamie McMaster (1), James Monie (1) and James Lawrence (1).

Hayes won the 'Player Of the Year' award at the club's Presentation night.

Wollongong CFC played their first Tiger Turf Cup fixture against Sydney Wanderers. It was a five-goal rout by Wollongong. Gameiro scored two with one apiece to Prenzосki and Deane, plus an own goal.

Sydney Tigers provided the opposition for the fourth round match and Wollongong ended up defeating the Sydney Tigers by two goals to nil. Prenzосki and Abel got on the score sheet.

An extra time loss to Penrith-Nepean saw Wollongong exiting the competition at the quarterfinal stage. The score was 2-1 with Deane being the scorer.

Players used for the cup commitments were Deane (3), Prenzосki (3), Augusto (2), Bronneberg (2), Conde (2), Gameiro (2), Lawrence (2), J. Price (1+1), Abel (1), Cahill (1) Estevez (1), Hayes (1), Kearns (1), Nathaniel (1), Vaughan (1) Wade (1) Cortez (0-1) and Horner (0+1).

This was a difficult season for the club. However, it was not totally unexpected though three wins in the league and cup were a bonus. In addition the club staved off relegation due to the demise of Penrith-Nepean United plus the good results of the junior teams and other factors. The bleeding of some younger players was another positive and this would show benefits in future seasons. The club concluded 2009 as a one-season entity with the Wolves name returning in the subsequent season.

By Malcolm Rowney

(Coaches' and players' comments were taken from interviews conducted by the writer and were published in the match reports of the time).

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

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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 Nathan	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
16 Antonio	Sansone



## UNDER 14s

1 - GK Spyro	Kyriazidis
2 William	Aston
3 Jayden	Branovski
4 Chisholm	Brown
5 Harry	Churchill
6 Jay	De Gouveia
7 Callum	Donnelly
8 Justin	Dukleski
9 Damon	Gray
10 Kyron	Guevara
11 Jyden	Harb
12 Aiden	Miranda
13 Joel	Palermo
14 Jett	Stroemer
15 Sebas-tian	Tomasiello
16 Kalani	Vella



## 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
10	Liam	Wille
12	Jordyn	Della Vedova
13	Brendan	Mitrovski
14	Bul	Juach
15	Adrian	Avello
16	Tatsuki	Nagatsuka
17	Brendan	Low

Coach: Manny Mavridis

16	Corey	Joseph
28	Salvatori	Agostino
29	Brian	Sutomo
30	Marley	Beeston
31	Ericson	Ehiozee
32	Chan	Deng
34	Ali	Hamdan
35	James	Antoniou
36	Mitchell	Ward
37	Genki	Kohyama
39	Aoto	Saito
40	Francis	Tsiponis
45	Alex	Masciovecchio
56	Giovanni	Panuccio

Coach: Jason Conroy

Assistant Coach: Mark Gannon

Under 20's Team Manager: Paul Oliveri

## U20'S - NPL NSW MEN'S

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	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

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Wollongong Wolves have only once managed to string two wins together this season; a level of inconsistency which has seen them fall to eighth place after a promising start to the season.

The Wolves were beaten 2-1 by Sydney FC here last weekend, with Jacob Gjorsevki getting on the scoresheet for the visitors in their fifth loss in seven matches.

Yet there's still plenty of reason for hope for

Wollongong, sitting just four points behind fifth-placed Sutherland Sharks at the start of Round 16. This weekend, the Wolves will turn their attentions to Sydney Olympic, who are three points ahead of their hosts in seventh place.

Olympic did not play last weekend after their Round 15 match against Hakoah Sydney City East was washed out, but can take confidence into this one after their 1-0 defeat of Wollongong at Belmore Sports Ground earlier in the season.



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# 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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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	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



# U18'S TEAM LISTS



Luke  
 Lachlan  
 Petar  
 Jayden  
 Mason  
 Cody  
 Jarrod  
 Keegan  
 Lewis  
 Navarone  
 Joel  
 Rocky  
 Harry  
 Jordan  
 Josh  
 Genua  
 Bryce  
 Jurisic  
 Calver  
 Mavridis  
 Ashburner  
 Alston  
 Matias  
 Grimshaw  
 Darjani  
 Dowling  
 Lavalle  
 Lloyd  
 Prentovski  
 Correia

Coach: Richard Lloyd

Managers: Scott Nicols & Robbie Day

43 Harry  
 51 Alexander  
 53 Samuel  
 54 Damian  
 55 Mohammed  
 50 Paul  
 57 Jayden  
 58 Peter  
 59 Josip  
 60 Mathew  
 61 Nicholas  
 62 Ahmad  
 63 Theph  
 65 Oliver  
 66 Sebastiaan  
 67 Hassan  
 Skotadis  
 Athanaseris  
 Harb  
 Hill  
 Khamis  
 Mariani  
 Zabala  
 Politis  
 Milicevic  
 Segecic  
 George  
 Elakkaoui  
 Theph  
 Portas  
 Sensstus  
 Soueid

Coach: Ante Juric

Assistant Coach: Anthony Harb

## U18'S - NPL NSW MEN'S

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	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
7	Rockdale City Suns FC	15	5	3	7	20	25	-5	18
8	Marconi Stallions FC	15	5	3	7	16	25	-9	18
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

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# 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 Jasic (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



## TEAM OF THE WEEK

**JAMES**      **MENDY**

**ANTONIOU**      **KEKERIS**      **PARISI**      **OKADA**

**WARREN**      **ESPOSITO**      **OUGHTRED**      **GALIMI**

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**ROUND 1**  
v Manly United FC  
2-1

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

**ROUND 9**  
v Blacktown City FC  
4-0

**ROUND 10**  
v Rockdale City Suns FC  
0-1

**ROUND 13**  
v APIA Leichhardt Tigers FC  
4-0

**ROUND 14**  
v Sydney United 58 FC  
1-2

**ROUND 15**  
v Sydney FC  
4-0

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

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

**ROUND 19**  
Saturday, 20 July - 6pm  
v Sutherland Sharks FC

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



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