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MINOR SEMI FINAL

Wednesday
21 AUGUST 2019
7.30pm

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CLUB WELCOME

Blacktown City FC welcomes players staff and supporters from Sydney United to Lily Homes stadium for the 1st Grade Minor Semi Final showdown.

Both teams are coming off losses having played 120 minutes which may well lead to a battle of the fittest.

Our Blacktown boys were gallant in defeat going down to APIA in a penalty shoot out after Joey Gibbs equalised with only seconds remaining.

Tonight's encounter is sure to be a cracker with the results this year at one a piece during the rounds.

We hope to see a big crowd of Demons supporters cheering the boys on.

Stay safe.

GO THE DEMONS!

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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
16	Dale	Howarth
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 Crawlhall
 Assistant Manager: Ross Bourke
 Physio: Rebecca Gonzalez
 Strength & Conditioning: David Maiolo,
 Joshua De Rooy

1	Daniel	Sadaka
3	Jordan	Roberts
4	Adrian	Vlastelica
5	Anthony	Tomelic
6	Petar	Markovic
7	Peter	Simonoski
8	Matthew	Sim
9	Patrick	Antelmi
10	Sebastien	Gallegos
11	Yianni	Perkatis
12	Liam	Rose
14	Tomislav	Uskok
15	Tariq	Maia
17	Matthew	Bilic
18	Glenn	Trifiro
19	Josh	Macdonald
20	Christian	Gonzalez
21	Thomas	Manos
22	Yianni	Fragogiannis
23	Luke	Vlastelica

Head Coach: Miro Vlastelica
 Assistant Coach: Jerry Bilokapic
 Goalkeeper Coach: Vitas Males
 Gear Steward: Raymond Gerrie
 Physiotherapist: Denana Kadric

Referee: K. Ams
Assistant Referees: L. Greenshields, P. Teleki
Fourth Official: M. Weiner

MATCH PREVIEW

The grand final hopes of Blacktown City and Sydney United 58 go on the line this Wednesday as the two sides fight for finals survival in the minor semi-final at Lily Homes Stadium.

Blacktown City and Sydney United 58 have plenty of recent history with the two sides facing off in some massive fixtures over the past five seasons.

This year Blacktown City's third place finish was one spot higher than Sydney United, but head-to-head it has been the Miro Vlastelica United 58 who have had the advantage.

The two sides have faced each other three times this campaign with United 58 winning two.

However, The last meeting was a 4-2 win for Blacktown City at Sydney United Sports Centre in June.

Blacktown City went down to APIA Leichhardt Tigers 5-3 on penalties during Saturday night's preliminary semi-final after the match ended 1-1 at the end of extra-time.

City performed well in the match which made the defeat sting that little bit more – a lack of firepower has been the issue for Blacktown but they are hoping that good fortune will smile on them at home.

The short turnaround may force a few changes from Mark Crittenden but one thing which should stay the same is the defence.

Grant Lynch was a stand out performer from Crittenden's side and will once again be a big part, while inspirational captain Matt Lewis's experience and speed will also be a big part of the game plan.

Joey Gibbs may have missed a penalty in the shootout against APIA, but it was his poacher's finish in the dying seconds of the game which got them to penalties in the first place.

His goal scoring will be vital.

He will be coming up against a Sydney United 58 defence featuring a player he knows all too well in Yianni Fragogiannis from the defenders time at

Lily Homes Stadium.

Now he will partner Tomislav Uskok at the heart of the United 58 back line which kept a high powered Marconi attack scoreless in Saturday's 2-0 elimination final win.

Another former Blacktown player who could come back to haunt the City faithful is Patrick Antelmi.

The striker came off the bench to score the winning goals in extra-time last week and has a knack for big goals in big games.

Tarik Maia should retain his place in the starting line-up with Glen Trifiro unlikely to return for the season after sustaining an injury in the final game of the regular season.

With so much riding on this match both sides will leave nothing in the tank to avoid finals elimination.

Blacktown City will be the favourites but only in account of the fact they are the home side.

Both teams have an innate ability to find the back of the net in the dying seconds so expect this thrilling contest to go right down to the wire.



1ST GRADE REVIEWS

APIA Leichhardt Tigers 1 (5) – Blacktown City 1 (3) at Lambert Park

APIA Leichhardt Tigers have snatched an incredible 5-3 penalty shootout win against Blacktown City in a thrilling preliminary semi-final at Lambert Park on Saturday.

Ivan Necevski was the hero for APIA making a clutch save to deny Joey Gibbs in the shootout after the match finished deadlocked at 1-1 at the end of extra-time.

It was a rollercoaster ride for fans with Chris Payne giving the home side a 1-0 lead from the penalty spot in the first period of extra-time before Gibbs snatched an incredible equaliser in the dying seconds of the match to send the contest to a shootout.

The result means APIA will now take on Wollongong Wolves at WIN Stadium on Wednesday night for a spot in the Grand Final, while Blacktown have a second chance at life with a minor semi-final match at Lily's Homes Stadium against Sydney United 58 also on Wednesday night.

Sydney United 58 1 – Marconi Stallions 0 (AET) at Sydney United Sports Centre

A dramatic extra-time brace from substitute Patrick Antelmi has helped Sydney United 58 eliminate fierce rivals Marconi Stallions with a 2-0 win in the elimination semi-final at Sydney United Sports Centre on Saturday.

It was a brilliant performance from Antelmi who added to his brilliant finals scoring record to lift United 58 at home after the match was deadlocked

The Substitute coolly finished after a Sim pass in the 92nd minute before wrapping up the win with a penalty in the 112th to end Marconi's finals campaign.

The win keeps United's finals hopes alive and sets up a semi-final clash against either Blacktown City on Wednesday night.

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

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