



CROMER PARK

FRIDAY 7TH MAY 7PM

#### **CLUB WELCOME**

Good evening and welcome to Cromer Park for tonight's National Premier Leagues NSW Men's 2021 match between Manly United and Marconi Stallions.

Manly United returns to Cromer Park tonight looking to bounce back from back-to-back losses against Sutherland and Sydney United.

Last weekend Manly went down 5-0 to Sydney United off the back of a Patrick Antelmi masterclass with the super striker scoring a hat trick after returning from an injury lay off.

Results over the last few weeks have set up an incredibly tight NPL first grade ladder with just 5 points splitting the top 7 teams.

Manly United sits in 6th place on 15 competition points, just four points off the top.

Blacktown (19), Rockdale (19), Sydney United (18), Sydney Olympic (16), Mt Druitt (16), Manly United (15) and APIA (14) form the tight bunch but the last few weeks have shown that anything can happen and the tide can turn.

Tonight's visitors, Marconi are certainly capable of turning their fortunes around and making a run for the semi final series.

Marconi currently sits in 9th place on 9 points but with players like Mitch Mallia, Marko Jesic and Liam Youlley they cannot be underestimated – especially going forward.

Off the field, Manly United lost one of its greatest servants and Premiership Player Dylan Mitchell. The ever-present goalkeeper decided to hang up his boots following the arrival of his first child earlier this year, which has added to pressure on the work / life / football balance that all NPL players face.

Dylan was a giant of Manly United on and off the field and Manly United will be properly recognising and celebrating his contribution to the club in the coming weeks.

Good luck to both teams and we hope you all enjoy Friday Night Football at Cromer Park.

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# **1ST GRADE TEAM LISTS**



- 2 Kieren Paull
- 3 James Georgaklis
- 4 Jimmy Oates
- 5 Sam Gallagher
- 7 Jack Fulton
- 8 Dom Ferguson
- 9 Ben Koop
- 10 Richie Cardozo
- 11 Daniel Fabrizio
- 12 Luka Kmet
- 13 Scott Balderson
- 14 Dejan Pandurevic
- 15 lesse Piriz
- 16 Seiya Kambayashi
- 17 Ronan Connolly
- 18 Lucas Rainbird
- 19 Sam Benton (GK)
- 20 Alen Aganovic
- 21 Jordan Segreto
- 22 Zach Forsyth
- 23 Iordan Devries
- 24 Finn Ashton
- 31 Ben Gibson

Head Coach: Adam Griffiths Assistant Coach: Dylan Macallister Assistant Coach: Marty Judge Goalkeeper Coach: Trinity Allen

Physio: Steve Felsher Team Manager: Ida Rigoni

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- 1 Nenad Vekic
- 2 Nathan Millgate
- 3 Giorgio Speranza
- 4 Roberto Speranza
- 5 Mason Ingram
- 6 Mark Rodic
- 7 Chris Hatfield
- 8 Connor Evans
- 9 Anthony Costa
- 10 Marko Jesic
- 11 Mitchell Mallia
- 12 Stefan Nikolic
- 14 Anthony Frangie
- 16 Liam Youllev
- 17 Martin Fernandez
- 19 Zach Cairneross
- 20 Dion Shaw
- 21 Emmanuel Peters
- 23 Brandon Vella
- 24 Paolo Laxamana

Head Coach: Peter Tsekenis Manager: Peter Papoythis

Referee:
Assistant Referees:
Fourth Official:

C. Fisher

H. Fenton-White and A. Filacouridis

A. Morris

#### **MATCH PREVIEW**

Manly United will be desperate to end their slide down the competition ladder when they host Marconi Stallions on Friday.

After an unbeaten run to start the campaign, Manly United have been given a reality check in recent weeks with three losses in their past four games.

A 5-0 thrashing last week against Sydney United 58 was the lowest point in the season so far for the Adam Griffiths coached side, and they will be fighting to keep their season alive and with that a final series finish.

The responsibility will be on the shoulder of veteran players such as Sam Gallagher and Kieran Paull to help get the defence back in order ahead of this match.

We keep saying this but one of Manly's high points this year has been that of the recruitment of Japanese import Seiya Kambayashi. He will be one to watch out for as will the NPL experience of Dejan Pandurevic.

They go up against a Marconi team that is without a win in five weeks and have lost their past two matches.

The Stallions were outmuscled 4-2 by Blacktown City in Round 10 and are in big need of a confidence boost.

Look to star players such as Mitch Mallia, Marko Jesic and Anthony Frangie to give the side a strong attacking presence which is very much needed.

Stallions keeper Nenad Vekic has done his best in keeping things at bay but he is hoping his attackers will give him some much needed rest bite.

Both sides have had their struggles in recent weeks but feature strong squads who are tough to beat on their day.

This should be a tough contest for both clubs.



#### **1ST GRADE LADDER**

POS	TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
1	Blacktown City FC	10	6	1	3	21	9	12	19
2	Rockdale Ilinden FC	10	5	4	1	18	9	9	19
3	Sydney United 58 FC	10	5	3	2	18	10	8	18
4	Sydney Olympic FC	10	5	1	4	11	9	2	16
5	Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC	10	4	4	2	12	12	0	16
6	Manly United FC	10	4	3	3	12	15	-3	15
7	APIA Leichhardt FC	10	4	2	4	10	12	-2	14
8	Wollongong Wolves FC	10	3	3	4	13	18	-5	12
9	Marconi Stallions FC	10	1	6	3	14	17	-3	9
10	Sutherland Sharks FC	10	2	3	5	12	18	-6	9
11	Northbridge Bulls FC	10	2	2	6	17	19	-2	8
12	Sydney FC	10	2	2	6	15	25	-10	8

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#### FIRST GRADE REVIEWS

# Sydney United 58 5 – Manly United 0 at Sydney United Sports Centre

It was goals galore at Sydney United Football Centre on Sunday afternoon as Sydney United 58 FC secured a dominant 5-0 victory over Manly United FC.

Goals to Matthew Sim and Patrick Antelmi in quick succession in the opening stanza saw Sydney United 58 grab a hold on the game early, cemented by a penalty converted by Antelmi moments before the half-time whistle.

A third goal to Antelmi in the early stages of the second half and a final fifth goal from Glen Trifiro saw the home side finish off a dominant attacking performance and huge defensive effort to maintain a clean sheet against Manly, who kept trying to claw their way into the game right up until the final whistle.

The win, and the all-important three points that come with it, helped Sydney United climb to third place on the NPL NSW Men's ladder ahead of the second half of the season.

### Marconi Stallions 2 – Blacktown City 4 at Marconi Stadium

Blacktown City has powered to the top of the National Premier Leagues NSW competition with an impressive 4-2 victory against Marconi Stallions at Marconi Stadium on Saturday night.

Two goals on each side of the interval helped City to their third consecutive win with the three points helping them leapfrog Rockdale Ilinden into first place.

Marconi had a perfect start to the game with Nathan Millgate opening the scoring after only six minutes, but Blackton hit back through Lachlan Campbell and Dakota Askew to hold a 2-1 lead at half time.

Charles Mendy stretched Blacktown City's lead not long after the restart, but Liam Youlley hit back for Marconi to keep them in the game.

A late goal to substitute Carlos De Olivera wrapped up the win and three competition points for the visitors.



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#### **TOP GOAL SCORERS**

Sutherland Sharks	8
Sydney United 58	8
Rockdale Illinden	7
Rockdale Ilinden	7
Marconi	5
Blacktown City	5
Sydney United 58	4
Manly United	4
Mt Druitt Town Rangers	4
Blacktown City	4
Sydney United 58	4
Wollongong Wolves	4
	Sydney United 58 Rockdale Illinden Rockdale Illinden Marconi Blacktown City Sydney United 58 Manly United Mt Druitt Town Rangers Blacktown City Sydney United 58



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#### **U20 TEAM LISTS**



25 Harry Aquilina

26 Jack Berte

27 **Hugo Cornish** 

28 Tom Chidiac

29 Alex Demarco

30 Harry Eland

31 Ben Gibson

32 George Kriezis

Head Coach: Andrew Christiansen Assistant Coach: Nick Robb Team Manager: Graeme Gibson





30 Jordan Ford

31 **Daniel Helweh** 

32 Jarred McKinley

22 Andrew Holder

25 Blake Ilitch

18 **Dimos Vlachos** 

33 lackson Angelou

35 Jeremy Dinh

Coach: Steve Appleby Manager: Patrick Gatt

- 34 Harry Lomas
- 35 Jordan Metcalfe
- 36 Matt O'Donoghue
- 37 Nick Rainbird
- 38 Ping Tsai
- 39 Liam Tachjian
- 40 Mitch Mattison

Physio: PHYSIO4ALL - Peter Xenos Strength and Conditioning: Alex Berger

- 38 Jesse Hirschowitz
- 39 Jay Hirschowitz
- 40 Luka Zepina
- 41 Ahmad Taleb
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43 Jackson Andrews Adrian Neoklis

#### **U20 LADDER**

POS	TEAM	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	GD	PTS
1	Manly United FC	10	8	0	2	21	9	12	24
2	Sydney Olympic FC	10	7	0	3	22	10	12	21
3	Sydney FC	10	6	2	2	14	6	8	20
4	Blacktown City FC	9	5	1	3	21	9	12	16
5	Marconi Stallions FC	10	5	1	4	14	12	2	16
6	Wollongong Wolves FC	9	4	1	4	15	15	0	13
7	APIA Leichhardt FC	10	3	3	4	16	21	-5	12
8	Sutherland Sharks FC	10	3	3	4	10	17	-7	12
9	Sydney United 58 FC	10	3	2	5	19	20	-1	11
10	Northbridge Bulls FC	10	3	2	5	13	16	-3	11
11	Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC	10	2	3	5	12	24	-12	9
12	Rockdale Ilinden FC	10	0	2	8	7	25	-18	2

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#### **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP**

CLUB	PLAYED	U20's	1st	TOTAL
Blacktown City FC	19	32	76	108
Manly United FC	20	48	60	108
Sydney Olympic FC	20	42	64	106
Sydney United 58 FC	20	22	72	94
Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC	20	18	64	82
APIA Leichhardt FC	20	24	56	80
Rockdale Ilinden FC	20	4	76	80
Wollongong Wolves FC	19	26	48	74
Sydney FC	20	40	32	72
Marconi Stallions FC	20	32	36	68
Sutherland Sharks FC	20	24	36	60
Northbridge Bulls FC	20	22	32	54

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#### **NEXT ROUND FIXTURES**

# MT DRUITT TOWN RANGERS FC VS MANLY UNITED FC

7:00 PM / FRI 14 MAY POPONDETTA PARK

#### SUTHERLAND SHARKS FC VS NORTHBRIDGE BULLS FC

3:30 PM / SAT 15 MAY SEYMOUR SHAW

# WOLLONGONG WOLVES FC VS ROCKDALE ILINDEN FC

2:30 PM / SUN 16 MAY ALBERT BUTLER MEMORIAL PARK

#### SYDNEY UNITED 58 FC VS SYDNEY OLYMPIC FC

3:00 PM / SUN 16 MAY SYDNEY UNITED SPORTS CENTRE

#### APIA LEICHHARDT FC VS BLACKTOWN CITY FC

4:00 PM / SUN 16 MAY LAMBERT PARK

# SYDNEY FC VS MARCONI STALLIONS FC

6:30 PM / SUN 16 MAY ROCKDALE ILINDEN SPORTS CENTRE

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# 2021 HOME FIXTURES

## HOME GROUND - Cromer Park South Creek Rd, Dee Why

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ROUND 1	26/02/21 (Fri)	19:00	Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC
ROUND 3	12/03/21 (Fri)	19:00	Blacktown City FC
ROUND 6	02/04/21 (Fri)	19:00	Sydney FC
ROUND 7	09/04/21 (Fri)	19:00	Sydney Olympic FC
ROUND 9	23/04/21 (Fri)	19:30	Sutherland Sharks FC
ROUND 11	07/05/21 (Fri)	19:00	Marconi Stallions FC
ROUND 13	22/05/21 (Sat)	19:00	Wollongong Wolves FC
ROUND 15	04/06/21 (Fri)	19:00	Rockdale Ilinden FC
ROUND 16	11/06/21 (Fri)	19:00	APIA Leichhardt FC
ROUND 19	02/07/21 (Fri)	19:00	Northbridge Bulls FC
ROUND 21	16/07/21 (Fri)	19:00	Sydney United 58 FC

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