

KICKOFF

2021 - ROUND 16



**NATIONAL
PREMIER LEAGUES**
NSW

**CROMER
PARK**

**FRIDAY
11TH JUNE
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 APIA Leichhardt.

Tonight we welcome APIA to Cromer Park for an important clash in what is becoming one of the tightest NPL Men's competitions in recent years.

Manly United sits in 4th place on the ladder following last weekend's comprehensive 3-0 win over Rockdale but APIA sits just two points behind in 6th position. Just 5 points separates 3rd place (Rockdale) from 8th place (Wollongong) with all clubs quite rightly confident of securing a place in the semi final series at the end of the year.

With just 7 rounds remaining the run-in to the semi finals series is on in earnest and tonight's match is a traditional "six-pointer".

Last weekend Manly blew Rockdale off the park with goals to Dejan Pandurevic, Luka Kmet and Kieren Paull, while APIA defeated the struggling Sutherland to continue its improved form under former Manly United coach Paul Dee.

While the football focus is squarely on the field, Manly United has an excited eye cast towards the

impending finalisation of the new Manly Warringah Football Club building, which is expected to be completed in early July.

The new clubhouse, a \$2 million redevelopment of the existing building constructed in 1983, will solidify Cromer Park's standing as one of the showpieces of football in NSW.

The building, once completed, will offer a physiotherapy and rehab/prehab facility for the players as well as a dedicated coaches area and meeting rooms, illustrating the dedication to providing Manly United and local MWFA clubs/players with first class facilities to give players an environment to thrive and become the best players they can be.

It will also offer a focal point for players, parents, spectators and all 20,000 local football players to gather before, during and after training and matches with a high quality café, bar and events function space with a covered deck overlooking the playing surface.

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

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- 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 Jesse Piriz
- 16 Seiya Kambayashi
- 17 Ronan Connolly
- 18 Lucas Rainbird
- 19 Sam Benton (GK)
- 20 Alen Aganovic
- 21 Jordan Segreto
- 22 Zach Forsyth
- 23 Jordan 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

Physio: PHYSIO4ALL – Christian Bate

Strength and Conditioning: Alex Berger



- 1 Ivan Necevski
- 2 William Mutch
- 3 Paul Galimi
- 4 Joshua Symons
- 5 Nick Azzone
- 6 Harry Callahan
- 7 Tynan Diaz
- 8 Corey Bicz
- 9 Blake Powell
- 10 Franco Parisi
- 11 Mathieu Cordier
- 12 Hassan Jalloh
- 13 David D'Apuzzo
- 15 Themba Muata-Marlow
- 16 Sean Symons
- 17 Dejan Bakrdanikoski
- 18 Adrian Uccchino
- 19 Peter Kekeris
- 20 Samuel McIlhatton
- 21 Michael Kouta
- 22 Luke Turnbull
- 23 Gian Fiorese
- 24 Christian Cirino
- 25 Vincenzo Melissari
- 26 Vincent Fedele
- 27 Corey Gameiro
- 40 Evan Davies

Head Coach: Paul Dee

Assist Coach: Nick Stavroulakis

Goalkeeper Coach: Bruno Jasiczek

Managers: Vincent Leto, Joe Calabro, Sam Barletta, Michael Sawan

Physio: Michael Sawan

Referee:

A. Arndt

Assistant Referees:

H. Fenton-White and M. Allum

Fourth Official:

I. Covic

*TEAM LISTINGS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

MATCH PREVIEW

Manly United will be determined to spoil Paul Dee's return to Cromer Park when they host APIA Leichhardt on Friday night.

Manly was at their brilliant best last week in a 3-0 victory against Rockdale Ilinden.

The win catapulted the Adam Griffiths coached side up to fourth on the ladder, a position they will be determined to defend over the final seven matches of the regular season.

One man looking for another big performance is young Manly shot-stopper, Sam Benton.

Benton was immense against Rockdale and set the platform for his side's big win. He will be a tough man to beat between the sticks on Friday and has been a key in after succeeding over the recently departed Dylan Mitchell who held onto that coveted number 1 jersey at the club.

Luka Kmet was back among the goals in Round 15 and will be a player to watch out for this week, as will Finn Ashton.

Looking to cause an upset will be an APIA Leichhardt side battling to break into the top five for the first time this season.

A 2-0 win against Sutherland last week moved them up to sixth on the ladder, behind fifth-placed Sydney Olympic only on goal difference.

Friday's match will have plenty of extra meaning for APIA coach Paul Dee as he returns to Cromer Park for the first time since departing the club.

APIA's players are finding form after a slow start to the campaign and, with the talent on their roster, are capable of breaking open a fixture at any moment.

Live-wire attacker Peter Kekeris has quickly become a significant contributor for Dee's side as well as a fan favourite amongst the APIA locals as the skilful star will be one to watch this week.

Another player to keep an eye out for is young right back Will Mutch, whose speed and delivery into the box could create plenty of headaches for the Manly defence while the club will welcome back experienced defender Josh Symons. It was Harry Callahan's best performance since making the move from the Wolves this season with Dee hoping his good run can continue with this epic match-up.

This match is a thrilling clash to open the round and, with such a logjam on the ladder between third and seventh, a win could make a team's finals chances.

1ST GRADE LADDER

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Blacktown City FC	15	9	3	3	29	13	16	30
2	Sydney United 58 FC	15	8	4	3	29	16	13	28
3	Rockdale Ilinden FC	15	6	6	3	25	18	7	24
4	Manly United FC	15	6	5	4	20	20	0	23
5	Sydney Olympic FC	15	6	3	6	21	18	3	21
6	APIA Leichhardt FC	15	6	3	6	19	18	1	21
7	Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC	15	5	5	5	20	24	-4	20
8	Wollongong Wolves FC	15	5	4	6	20	30	-10	19
9	Marconi Stallions FC	15	2	10	3	23	24	-1	16
10	Northbridge Bulls FC	15	3	6	6	29	27	2	15
11	Sydney FC	15	3	4	8	27	41	-14	13
12	Sutherland Sharks FC	15	2	5	8	16	29	-13	11

FIRST GRADE REVIEWS

Manly United 3 – Rockdale Illinden 0 at Cromer Park

A clinical Manly United performance secured Adam Griffiths' troops a vital three points in the race for finals football with a 3-0 victory over a wasteful Rockdale Illinden at Cromer Park on Friday night.

Despite Rockdale enjoying their fair share of dominance, the home side established a two-goal buffer at the break thanks to a Dejan Pandurevic penalty and well-struck Luca Kmet effort, before putting the result beyond doubt late on through fullback Kieren Paull.

It was a second straight defeat for Rockdale who slip further behind in the premiership race with further dropped points.

The win moves Manly United up to 24 points and secures their place in the top five for another week.

Sutherland Sharks 0 – APIA Leichhardt 2 at Seymour Shaw Park

APIA Leichhardt picked up a vital three points as it asserted itself into the top five of the NPL NSW Men's competition with a 2-0 win against Sutherland Sharks at Seymour Shaw Park on Saturday.

The Sharks failed to back up their rock-solid performance against Sydney United 58 back on their home ground this afternoon conceding late goals to Harry Callahan and Peter Kekeris which rounded up a good week for the Inner West club.

The Sharks best chances came through from the set piece through Brendan Hooper in the second half but they paid the price for two late defensive lapses as APIA secured all three competition points.

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TOP GOAL SCORERS

Patrick Antelmi	Sydney United	58	13
Alec Urosevski	Rockdale Illinden	11	
James Andrew	Sutherland Sharks	8	
Jack Stewart	Mt Druitt Town Rangers	8	
Kyle Cimenti	Northbridge Bulls	8	
Marko Jesic	Marconi	8	
Travis Major	Blacktown City	7	
Dejan Pandurevic	Manly United	7	
Chris Payne	Sydney United	58	6
Mo Adam	Sydney Olympic	6	
Lachlan Scott	Wollongong Wolves	6	



Dejan Pandurevic

U20 TEAM LISTS



25 Harry Aquilina
26 Jack Berte
27 Hugo Cornish
28 Tom Chidiac
29 Alex Demarco
30 Harry Eland
31 Ben Gibson

Head Coach: Andrew Christiansen
Assistant Coach: Nick Robb

32 George Kriezis
34 Harry Lomas
36 Matt O'Donoghue
37 Nick Rainbird
38 Ping Tsai
39 Liam Tachjian
40 Mitch Mattison

Physio: Steve Felsher



27 Jonathan Accetta
28 Marcus Apostolakis
29 Daniel Azzone
38 Joshua Azzopardi
40 James Khoury
39 Anthony Kyriazis
31 Matt Lee
30 Gene Marantos

Coach: Anthony Mazza
Assistant Coach: Mariano Mirigliani

32 Thomas Nicholas
41 Dylan Schifino
33 Harry Stavris
34 Cooper Stormonth
35 Dylan Susovic
36 Anthony Younis
37 Alexander Zinnato

Assistant Coach: Pierre Sassine
Manager: Giuseppe Mirigliani

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1	Manly United FC	15	11	0	4	31	15	16	33
2	Sydney Olympic FC	15	8	2	5	28	17	11	26
3	Sydney FC	15	7	5	3	19	11	8	26
4	Blacktown City FC	15	7	3	5	31	16	15	24
5	Marconi Stallions FC	14	7	2	5	26	17	9	23
6	Wollongong Wolves FC	15	7	2	6	24	24	0	23
7	Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC	15	6	3	6	30	31	-1	21
8	Sutherland Sharks FC	15	6	3	6	23	26	-3	21
9	APIA Leichhardt FC	15	4	4	7	19	28	-9	16
10	Sydney United 58 FC	15	4	3	8	25	38	-13	15
11	Northbridge Bulls FC	14	4	2	8	19	26	-7	14
12	Rockdale Ilinden FC	15	1	5	9	13	36	-23	8



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CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

CLUB	PLAYED	U20's	1st	TOTAL
Blacktown City FC	30	48	120	168
Manly United FC	30	66	92	158
Sydney United 58 FC	30	30	112	142
Sydney Olympic FC	30	52	84	136
Wollongong Wolves FC	30	46	76	122
APIA Leichhardt FC	30	32	84	116
Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC	30	36	80	116
Rockdale Ilinden FC	30	16	96	112
Marconi Stallions FC	29	46	64	110
Sydney FC	30	58	52	110
Northbridge Bulls FC	29	28	60	88
Sutherland Sharks FC	30	42	44	86

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NEXT ROUND FIXTURES

**WOLLONGONG WOLVES FC VS
MARCONI STALLIONS FC**
 2:30 PM / SUN 20 JUN
 ALBERT BUTLER MEMORIAL PARK

**APIA LEICHHARDT FC VS
ROCKDALE ILINDEN FC**
 3:00 PM / SUN 20 JUN
 LAMBERT PARK

**BLACKTOWN CITY FC VS
SUTHERLAND SHARKS FC**
 3:00 PM / SUN 20 JUN
 LILY HOMES STADIUM

**NORTHBRIDGE BULLS FC VS
SYDNEY UNITED 58 FC**
 3:00 PM / SUN 20 JUN
 SYDNEY UNITED SPORTS CENTRE

**SYDNEY OLYMPIC FC VS
MT DRUITT TOWN RANGERS FC**
 4:00 PM / SUN 20 JUN
 BELMORE SPORTS GROUND

**SYDNEY FC VS
MANLY UNITED FC**
 6:30 PM / SUN 20 JUN
 ROCKDALE ILINDEN SPORTS CENTRE



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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