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FROM THE COACH



L A W Y E R S

Welcome to our home game against Marconi Stallions FC.

We are coming off a come from behind win against Northbridge FC last Monday. I thought we were very one paced in the first half last week and we were lucky to only be 2-1 down at half time. Our keeper, Hayden Durose is in very good form and saved another penalty (his fourth penalty save this season) and kept us in the game. However, we were much better in the second half and a brace to Leroy Jennings and the winner to Stefan Dimoski saw us sneak home. The win has taken us into 6th place, only two points behind Sydney Olympic and Rockdale.

Our opponents today, Marconi, have had an unusual season, having had 10 draws from 16 fixtures. However, they have some dangerous players and we will need to be at our best to take the points today. It is important today that we match their aggression, enthusiasm and physicality. If we do, I am sure we will create enough chances to take the three points.

This is one game I am really looking forward to and I hope you enjoy it and we come away with the three points.

I look forward to seeing you all back at The Fraternity Club.

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MATCH PREVIEW

v Marconi Stallions

Wollongong Wolves welcome the 2019 Waratah Cup Champions, Marconi Stallions to Albert Butler Memorial Park for this Round 17 encounter of the NPL NSW Mens 1 and it should prove to be an enthusiastic event. In the twelve matches played since 2013, Marconi has attained ten goals against the Wolves at a goal per game ratio of 0.83 while the Wolves' ratio is 1.9 from twenty-three goals scored. The initial meeting was in 1981 Round 15 at Marconi where the result was a 1-1 draw with Lee Adam (WW) and Eddie Krncevic (M) adding to the final tally.

THE OPPOSITION TODAY – MARCONI STALLIONS

For the 2021 campaign, Marconi has signed Charles Loko Lingoy (who has since been signed by Wellington Phoenix) and former Dandenong Thunder striker Chris Hatfield.

Marconi, as a club has emerged victorious in seven Waratah Cup Finals, which equals the record of Sydney City after defeating Sydney United 58 2-1 in 2019 with this being one of many honours for the club. The team personnel on this day were Nenad Vekic, Nathan Millgate, Giorgio Speranza, Roberto Speranza, Connor Evans, Marko Jesic, James Andrew, Yianni Nicolou, Liam Youlley, Brandon Vella and Martin Fernandez. Sean O'Connell replaced Fernandez and Peter Tsekenis was the coach. Jesic scored a brace to see off one for the opposition, Sydney United 58.

Last season Marconi concluded the season in seventh position. The team achieved fourteen points from four victories and two draws, scoring fourteen goals (a 1.9 goals per game ratio) with thirty being conceded with a plus twelve-goal difference. (1.36 ratio). The top scorer was Marco Jesic with five goals and four others plus an own goal contributed to the goal scoring. Twice the team failed to score with the team's best result being 3-0 over Blacktown City and Mt.Druitt Town Rangers with the least impressive being 1-3 versus North Shore Mariners. Lachlan Spedding scored the quickest goal in the second minute in Round 5. The best result sequence without loss was three - Rounds 3-4, win, draw and win. The worst losing sequence was two, Rounds 10-11.

Marconi has concluded the previous five seasons in this Mens 1 competition in 8th, 12th, 6th, 7th and 7th position.

THE MATCH-UP

In the head to head, Marconi lead the Wolves by thirty-three to twenty-two victories since the initial meeting in 1981. At this stage of the 2021 competition, the Stallions occupy the

Both teams have twenty-three goals in total while nil scores are three (MS) and five (WW). Marconi occupies tenth position on the competition ladder with the Wolves being in sixth position, as a consequence of Round 15 results.

In the previous round, the Wolves defeated Northbridge Bulls 3-2 while Marconi were defeated 1-0 by Sydney United 58. The Wolves took the lead early through Leroy Jennings before the Bulls came back with two goals, the first one being an own goal. Jennings scored his teams second and in the last minute of normal time Stefan Dimoski added the winner. The score could have been different had not Hayden Durose saved a penalty kick and Marcus effort struck the cross bar. In the Marconi game it was 0-0 up until the 89' before Sydney United scored. Custodian Nenad Vekic pulled off a number of good saves during the match.

The result sequence for the last five rounds for each team is as such - Marconi – draw, draw, win draw and loss, and Wollongong - draw, win, loss, los and win.

The best result sequence without loss was - Wolves - four - win, win, draw and win in Rounds 10 – 13, Marconi - seven - Rounds 2-8, draw, draw, draw, win, draw, draw and draw.



Most goals have been scored and conceded by Marconi in the 61'-75' and 46'-60' time periods during this season respectively. With the Wolves, most goals have come six times each in two fifteen minute periods, 46'-60' and 61'-75' while most have been conceded in the 16'-30' and 76'-90+', with six instances in each.

So far this season the top scorer for each club is Marconi's Marco Jesic with eight to his credit, while the Wolves lead goal achievers are Lachlan Scott and Leroy Jennings with six apiece.

Stefan Dimoski (WW) and Marko Jesic (MS) are the latest goal scorers for their respective clubs.

PLAYERS TO WATCH

Marconi attacking midfielder and former Dandenong Thunder and Lions FC Chris Hatfield has exploded in the Mens 1 competition for Marconi in the last few weeks. The attacker has scored three goals in the past two successive matches to put his team on the road to back to victories and will be eager to add to this tally.

Striker Stefan Dimoski came on as substitute to score the Wolves winning goal in the previous round and will be primed to do likewise when he gets the opportunity. It was well delivered header with spot on timing, power and direction to beat the Northbridge Bulls custodian.

BLAST FROM THE PAST

The first round match in the 2002/03 NSL season was played at Marconi Stadium with the Wolves visiting. Marconi, coached by Raul Blanco, comprised of Michael Turnbull, Chad Gibson, Shane Webb, Angelo Constanzo, Dominic Longo, Tony Perenich, Robert Enes, Alex Brosque, Steven Fitzsimmons, Grant Last, and Tony Sekulic. Mark Babic and Eric Anabalon replaced Constanzo and Fitzsimmons respectively. The Wolves correspondingly were Andrew Crews, Liam Austin, Jacob Timpano, Robert Stanton, Alex Castro, Dustin Wells, Shane Lyons, Stuart Young, Naum Sekulovski, Buddy Farah, and David Huxley. Zeljko Babic, David Cervinski and Dean Heffernan subbed on for Austin, Timpano and Farah respectively with Ron Corry as coach.

It did not take long before Marconi advanced to a one goal lead when in the seventh minute Brosque

scored. Gibson had passed to Perenich. He in turn from the edge of the penalty area chipped the ball to Brosque who proceeded to slot the ball home. The Wolves responded close to half time when a throw in reached Sekulovski. He swerved before powering in a left footed shot from an angle thirty metres out. The ball veered in its trajectory and Turnbull parried it. However the ball spun upwards and over his head into the goal, much to his chagrin. Marconi had much of the first half play but went into the break at 1-1. The Wolves went into the lead on fifty-three minutes. Farah dispossessed Perenich with the ball falling to Sekulovski to bring up his brace when he let fly with a low shot that that at the far bottom corner of the goal. Brosque got his brace and his team's equaliser when Perenich sent through. Brosque controlled the ball before he fired past Crews. Lyons made a match saving tackle on Fitzsimmons however when parity was restored, each team had the lead at varying stages but could not go on to win and a share of the points occurred.

SCORES AND SCORERS FROM THE PREVIOUS FIVE LEAGUE MEETINGS

1. 2018. Marconi 0 defeated by Wolves 3 (Peter Simonoski x3)
2. 2019. Marconi 1 (Marco Jesic) defeated by Wolves 3 (Takuya Okada x2, Darcy Madden)
3. 2019. Wolves 1 (Thomas James) defeated Marconi 0
4. 2020. Wollongong Wolves 0 defeated by Marconi 1 (Anthony Frangie) '
5. 2021. Marconi 2 (Marko Jesic x2) drew with Wolves 2 (Darcy Madden, Stefan Dimoski)

TWO SELECTED TOP SCORERS FOR MARCONI STALLIONS - BRAD MALONEY and ALEX BROSQUE

Brad Maloney was the club top scorer in the 1998/99 season of the NSL. He attained sixteen goals to be third on the league list from twenty-four appearances with a goal per game ratio of 0.66. In this season his first goal was in the Round 1 Brisbane Strikers match. Played at Suncorp Stadium, Maloney scored a quarter of an hour in.

Striker Alex Brosque was the fifth youngest scorer in the NSL at eighteen years and a hundred and

sixty-four days. He was the Golden Boot winner in the 2002/03 NSL season with nine goals from twenty-one games with a goal per game ratio of 0.42. The Round 1 clash with Wollongong Wolves saw Brosque score his first goal (and second one in addition) for a brace in the seventh and seventy-fifth minutes.

TWO SELECTED TOP SCORERS FOR WOLLONGONG WOLVES - STUART YOUNG and JIM MCBREEN

Striker Stuart Young finished equal third on the NSL list and topped the club count with a tally of nineteen goals in the 1999/00 season from thirty-three appearances. His goal per game ratio was 0.57 in this season. His first goal in this particular season was in the Round 4 Sydney Olympic match at Belmore Sports Ground.

Jim McBreen, a midfielder, topped the goal count in 1981 with a 0.26 goal per game ratio. From twenty-six games, he scored seven goals. At Wollongong Showground in the very first Wolves game, McBreen scored in the twentieth minute against Sydney Olympic.

TWO SELECTED REPRESENTATIVES OF BOTH CLUBS - MICHAEL TURNBULL and DOMINIC LONGO.

Goalkeeper Turnbull played for the Wolves in the 2008 competition after signing part way through

the competition with the incumbent Justin Pasfield being away on representative duty. He played four league games and in the winning Major Semi-Final team. Following the 2-1 victory over Sutherland Sharks in this finals encounter, played at Seymour Shaw Park, Miranda, he stated - 'we did enough to deserve the win.... Now we have two weeks for a rest and to get the injuries right. We then should be ready to go....I'm glad that I did not concede any goals in the second half.' He achieved two clean sheets in his four games.

Turnbull played for Marconi for five seasons in the N.S.L. amassing one hundred and six appearances.

Central defender Longo represented Marconi for a high nine seasons from 1995/96 season to the 2003/04 campaign amassing one hundred and ninety-nine appearances with four goals in total. His initial goal was in the 1995/96 Round 13 Newcastle Breakers match scored in the fifty-sixth minute.

At the Wolves in the 2004/05 season, Longo played in six games from Rounds 3 - 8.

The strong tackler and resilient central defender also represented the Socceroos on eight occasions.

By Malcolm Rowney

(Players' comments were taken from the writer's post match interviews at the time of the game for inclusion in the match reports at that time.)



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FEATURE STORY

THE DOUBLE LIFE

There is a tally of nine players who have had some stage had a 'double life' as a player and then later, as a coach for the Wollongong Wolves. Included are those players who were in a player/coach role. These 'double life' personnel are listed in reverse alphabetical order.

LUKE WILKSHIRE

Wilkshire played eight league games with one further from the bench with a one-goal achievement in the 2018 season.

His coaching commenced in the league in 2019 and his statistics in this regard at this stage in 2021 Round 16 include thirty wins, nine draws and thirteen defeats. Three wins and three defeats occurred in the Finals and three wins and one loss eventuated in the cup. All up, thirty-six wins, nine draws and seventeen defeats comprised his record thus far. He took the team to win the Premiership in 2019 and the FFA National Premier Leagues Championship in the same year. In 2020 his team finished second on the standings with the same number of points as the Premiers but a very slight lesser goal difference. His win/loss record as a consequence is 0.67. His winning ratio is 65%.

JACOB TIMPANO

Central defender Timpano coached in 2016 and 2017 after playing making fourteen and five starting and sub appearances in 2003/04. In addition, he turned out in the 2012 and 2013 seasons, making a combined total of sixty-two league appearances with one cup and final achievement. He scored one goal, this emanating in his first season. His coaching record was seventeen wins, five draws and ten losses in the league with a win/loss league ratio of 0.62. His finals record was one win and one defeat and in the cup competition, four wins and one defeat was this result. All combined, twenty-two victories, five draws and twelve losses with a win/loss ratio of 0.64. He took the team to the Finals in 2015 and the Round Of 32 in the FFA Cup in 2016. His winning ratio was 58%.

DAVID RATCLIFFE

The first season Ratcliffe took to the field in a Wolves shirt was in 1988 with twenty-seven appearances

and two goals. He played twenty-four games in 1989/90 and eleven in 1990/91, but nil during the 1989 season. He was a player/coach in the 1989/90 and 1990/91 seasons before having the coaching reins solely from 1992/93 to the 1994/95 season. He coached for one hundred and fifty-eight games with fifty-one wins, forty-one draws and sixty-six defeats with a win/loss ratio of 0.43. He took the team to the finals in the 1991/92 and 1992/93 seasons. His wining ratio was 45%.

RICHARD LLOYD

Lloyd made one hundred and sixty-four league appearances, including twenty-eight off the bench with a twenty goal achievement. He was a stand in coach for the final round in 2012 and in the Elimination Final. He was appointed permanency in 2013 and continued part way through 2014. His league record was four wins, six draws and nineteen defeats and coached the team to avoid relegation in 2013. His Cup record was one win, one defeat and in the finals it was a defeat. His win/loss ratio combining all results is 0.19. His winning ratio was 21%.

GLEN FONTANA

In fifty-six league appearances Fontana played from 1981-1984, scoring eleven goals.



He became stand-in coach in 2009 following Round 6 and stayed in the position until Round 22. His record was nil wins, two draws and thirteen defeats. His cup record was two wins and one defeat. The ratio 0.14 was his over all win/loss record. His winning ratio was 16%.

JOHN FLEMING

Fleming played in the 1981, 82, 83, 84 and 86 seasons, making one hundred and three league appearances with seven goals added for good measure. In 1986, he was a player/coach for only two games and from that time, he was a non-playing gaffer. He coached the team to win the 1988 Premiership. He was again at the helm in 1989, relinquishing his position later in that season.

His coaching statistics being a win/loss ratio of 0.63 resulted from his forty-eight wins, seventeen draws and twenty-seven defeats. His winning statistic is 61%.

CHRIS DUNLEAVY

Central defender Dunleavy was a player/coach filling in for four games following Ken Morton's departure towards the end of the 1982 season from Round 23 to Round 26. Dunleavy played on for another two seasons following his coaching stint.

In all, Dunleavy played one hundred and seventeen league games. His coaching record was three wins and one defeat, hence the 0.75 win/loss ratio and a winning percentage of 75%. In 1982 the team qualified for the finals and Dunleavy aided this achievement.

NAHUEL ARRARTE

Arrarte coached the team for one and half seasons in 2014 and 2015 after playing in the 2003/04 National Soccer League season when he made twenty appearances, scoring two goals in addition.

His league-coaching recording of sixteen games consisted of seven wins, four draws and four defeats. Additionally, his cup statistics were five wins and three losses. In total, twelve wins, four draws and seven defeats were his complete record. His win/loss record with all results was 0.63 and a

winning ratio of 60%. Arrarte took the team to the finals of the 2014 NSW Waratah Cup and in the 2014 FFA Round Of 32.

ADRIAN ALSTON

Alston played one game with the Wolves in his first year of coaching in 1984.

He coached the next season and again in the 2004/05 season and his league coaching record at the club include nineteen wins, fifteen draws and thirty-eight defeats record. His league win/loss record is 0.33 and his winning ratio was 36%.

JEFF ALLPORT

Allport was in charge for a single cup game in 2011 versus Bankstown City Lions in the Waratah Cup Round 4 fixture. His team won 3-2 in extra time. He has since coached in the Illawarra Premier League with success.

As a player, he made fourteen league appearances from 1988 to 1990/91, four seasons in all with the most appearances occurring in the 1998/90 seasons. The coaching win/loss ratio is not applicable.

These personnel have made impressive contributions both as players and coaches with varying degrees of success in their 'double life' role.

By Malcolm Rowney



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MAN(N) MADE

With a playing career of one hundred and seventy appearances in the English football leagues with Hull City and Scarborough as an attacking left sided defender/midfielder under his belt and as a coach for many years to have a profound effect on up and coming players, Neil Mann, like a Wollongong Wolves' great, Stuart Young, has come to the Wolves via Hull City.

In his playing career, Mann scored a total of nine goals for Hull City from 1993 to 2002. At Scarborough in 2002, he achieved two goals. He began his early career at Nottingham Forrest and Notts County before making his league debut in September 1993 for Hull, away to Wrexham, coming on as a substitute. His career at Hull is still held in high esteem. 'I was fortunate to have played with some quality players who came in on loan, one being David Rocastle, who is an Arsenal and England legend and although it was late in his career when he came to Hull City, he was still quality, and an absolute top bloke.' Rocastle played eleven games for Hull City and on his debut duly scored for the team to win 3-0 against Scarborough in Division 3. 'From a playing perspective I felt I could have done better but injury got the better of me. However, a highlight for me was playing against Liverpool in the League Cup. It was great test yourself against the quality they had on show. It is hard to single out any moment but I think all players will resonate with this. A highlight for me was match day, playing in front of the crowd, and feeling the buzz around the ground and being fortunate to be in that position.'

Following are examples of the circumstances behind three of his goals. In the 1994/95 season, in the Bournemouth versus Hull encounter, Mann made a run of approximately forty metres down the left side. When he neared the box, he passed to a teammate. Mann kept on his forward run before taking the return pass. When close to the six yard area, with a defender in

tow, he pushed the ball into the goal with his right foot for the winning goal. Earlier in the match he assisted with good cross from the left, going to his striker who duly netted. On 18th April 1998, his left footed strike lodged low in the goal, after scraping the far post with the Leyton Orient custodian fully stretched. With Scarborough being the adversary in the 1998/99 season, a pass was projected to him on the left. He confused his marker with his quick turn on the ball just inside the penalty area. His ensuing left footed shot traversed to inside the right far post (from his vision). He also achieved a brace when Hull City put Swansea City the sword in Division Three by the unusual score line of 7-4 in August 1997. 'I remember that game well because I was having a poor game in the first half and got told that at half time! At half time it was 2-1 to us but the game was so open you had a feeling that we would get more but not that amount. The first goal was a tap in from two yards following a corner kick. The second was a bit better. I chipped the 'keeper from about thirty yards. From there, I should have had at least a hat trick as I missed a chance, which I should have put away. It was a crazy game and I think it was one of the highest scores ever. 7-4 is a score line that you don't see every day.' It certainly is a score line that is of an extremely rare occurrence and it has not been a score line in the history of the Wollongong Wolves



nor in the twenty-one years of the National Soccer League or the A-League. However, it was found in fact to feature in the English Premier League in 2007, when Portsmouth defeated Reading by this particular score.

After suffering a bad knee injury in 1998 versus Scunthorpe United, Mann's subsequent playing days were subsequently affected and he retired at thirty years of age. He had a testimonial match in 2003 Hull City v Grimsby Town. 'Injuries certainly caught up with me later in my career and I retired at a relatively young age. I snapped almost every knee ligament in the local derby. After about fourteen months out I got back playing only to injure my ACL again. Another five operations followed and I got back playing. However, I was having Achilles issues during the second comeback and I snapped that during a game with nobody near me. That was another operation and another lengthy period out. After consultation with family, the club and the specialists it was a greed that I should retire. A very hard decision but one that was made in the best interests of my future.'

Following this, he went into coaching in the roles of Youth Recruitment Officer, Centre Of Excellence Manager, Professional Development Phase Coach and Head Of Academy Coaching, all at Hull City. He certainly made a tremendous impact guiding the youth at the club with his know how and vast experience and the club prospered from his involvement to fully appreciate his efforts.

He came to Australia to live in 2013 with his family and was initially the Program Manager / Development Manager at Bossley Park High School. 'I worked at Bossley High, a school having a renowned football program for both boys and girls. A number of players have come through the program to play professional football. They include Liam Rose (Macarthur Bulls), Thomas Aquilina (Western Sydney Wanderers) Anton Mlinaric (Dinamo Zagreb) and Dalibor Markovic (Melbourne City). There are a number of both male and female students who are currently playing NPL football across Sydney.'

As an experienced coach with high expertise and credentials, it was not long before his reputation opened other doors. Sydney FC engaged him as

Under 18s coach for the 2015/16 season. 'I coached at Sydney FC U18s in the first year of the Academy's inception. As expected every player in the squad was quality but currently making his mark in the A-League for Sydney FC is Harry Van der Saag.' In fact Van der Saag scored his first A-League goal in the 2020/21 final round against Brisbane Roar. 'Zac Duncan is another who is doing well for AFG in the Danish Super League. Not only did both players possess great ability, but also they had a first class mentality towards their development and will hopefully keep progressing to forge a successful career in the game. Current first team player Aidan Mumford was our U18 keeper. Aidan was another who has a top attitude and went to the Central Coast Mariners and has represented New Zealand at under 23 level. Hopefully Aidan is another who can make his mark not only at the Wolves but in the game professionally.'

At the Wolves, he was assistant coach when Jacob Timpano held the reins in 2017 and was involved in the whole football coaching operations across the board at the club. 'After leaving Sydney FC, I met with Jacob Timpano for a coffee with Julio Miranda who is a mutual friend. Jacob was first team coach at the time and Julio had the U20s. We had a great chat about the club and with the direction that Jake saw it was going at the time, I saw it as a great opportunity to get involved with Jake and be part of a club which was ambitious and progressive. I progressed into the Junior Technical Director role which I fill now.'

Mann played under coaches such as Terry Dolan, Mark Hateley and Warren Joyce and as a player turned coach would have gleaned attributes and influences for his own coaching. 'My coaching philosophy at youth level is one revolves around the development of the individual. A player centric approach, one which allows the individual to thrive within a team environment.'

'In my role as Football Programs Manager, the club is investing in football in football in the Illawarra to grow, develop and progress within the game. Much the same as we try to find players with big aspirations to better themselves, the club also aspires to reach higher levels. I am looking forward to working with the Illawarra community to provide opportunities for both males and females to develop and grow

their love for the game and to provide pathways for players so they can reach their potential and experience an elite environment. We encourage our players to challenge themselves and aim high in their ambitions. Should an A-League team show interest we will encourage them to take that opportunity. Part of that progression is naturally for players who come from within our junior ranks to play senior football. It has been great to see young players be given this opportunity by Luke. There has been a lot of hard work that goes into a player to get to this point from all concerned. However, the biggest factor is the player himself, he must have that desire to push himself in both training and games consistently. If they can do that with the ability that they have being at the club, then they are giving themselves

the best opportunity to succeed.' Players to have progressed from the juniors to first grade of from 2017 include Dax Kelly, Ethan Ball, Brendan Low, Fletcher McFarlane, Nav Darjani, Nikola Djordjevic, Lewis Grimshaw, Nico Duarte, Marcus Beattie and Ethan Kambisios. These players have made their contributions to the club.

A 'man made' career for Neil Mann with much more of his philosophy, skill and in store for the young Wolves of today and of the future. They are in good hands.

By Malcolm Rowney

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FEATURE STORY

TURN AROUND

After suffering a large defeat with a three or more goal difference, the Wolves on occasions have completed a complete 'turnaround' by garnering a win against all odds. It has happened on a number of occasions and these are the selections with the goal scorers of the second match on each occasion in addition. Two clubs featured quite heavily in a number of first match instances with Sydney Olympic and Blacktown City being those clubs. As far as the scorers go, in a number of the second games, several players were multiple scorers with one player scoring six.

The most recent 'turn around' occurred in the present 2021 season, namely Rounds 15 and 16. In the first match, Sydney Olympic put the at home Wolves to the sword with a scoring spree of five goals, though the Wolves managed one in reply. In the following round, Northbridge Bulls succumbed to defeat though at times looked comfortable when in the lead. However, they ultimately were defeated 3-2 and the Wolves went from sinners to winners through goals by Leroy Jennings (with a brace) and Stefan Dimoski. Mention must be made of custodian Hayden Durose who saved a penalty kick and Marcus Beattie whose shot struck the cross bar.

A huge turnaround eventuated in the 1981 season when at Connor Reserve in Melbourne in the Round 24 fixture, Preston put six of the best past the Wolves defence and custodian with the team being sick and tired of kicking off. However, a week later Adelaide City felt the brunt of the Wolves attack, putting four into the net. Adelaide though, pulled one back. The Wolves scorers were Arno Bertogna, John Fleming, Jim McBreen and John Lathan being the goal achievers.

A 5-0 demolition by Sydney City in 1984 in Round 15 was followed by a 3-2 victory over Brisbane Lions at Towradgi Park with Peter Kotamanidis with a brace together with Peter Beggs keeping the scoreboard ticking over.

In the 2018 season the Wolves were hammered 5-1 by Sydney Olympic in Round 10 and came back in the subsequent round to put one past Marconi with nil in reply. Yuzo Tashiro scored the goal.

At Ziems Park, Corrimal the Wolves succumbed to St. George by conceding four goals in the Round

26 match played on 10 September 1983. Eight days later, the team hit three goals versus Adelaide City, though the opposition added one to spoil a clean sheet. Phil O'Connor with a brace together with Roy Cotton played the goal starring roles.

Sydney Olympic demolished the Wolves 4-0 in Round 2, 2008, and a 2-0 win over APIA followed in Round 3 with Chris Price and Osagie Ederaro netting.

A three goal defeat by Sydney Olympic in Round 5, 1984 at Wollongong Showground was followed up by a 2-1 victory over Sydney United at Dapto Showground in the subsequent round with Ray Farrell and Peter Kotmanidis netting for the home team.

At Wentworth Park in 1985, the strong Sydney City side hit five with the Wolves replying with two. The Wolves responded at the next outing by clocking up four over Inter Monaro who subsequently added two. In the latter game, Peter Kotamanidis, Zivko Hristovski, Dominic Giannone and Pat Brodnik attained the goals. Likewise in Round 11, Blacktown City achieved three with nil in response and in Round 12 the Wolves bounced back with a solitary goal against APIA Leichhardt, with Scott Dickson with the winner.

At Brandon Park in the 1988 Round 6 Marconi Stallions match the scoreboard read at full time, Wolves 0 Marconi 4. The following round the scoreboard at the Sydney Football Stadium heralded





Sydney Olympic 0 Wolves 1, a winning about face with Scottish player Alan Brazil netting.

Also in 2018, Sydney Olympic scored four with nil in reply in Round 21 and came out with a 3-0 victory in the final round away from home Marconi encounter with Peter Simonoski scoring a hat trick.

Losing 3-0 in the 2011 Round 1 Sydney Olympic encounter, goals to Sasho Petrovski and Stepan Paric returned the team to the winners list over Parramatta in Round 2.

In 2014 Blacktown Spartans hit three with nil in reply. A huge turnaround eventuated with six goal smashing of Manly United, a team that reduced the arrears by one. Jordan Murray scored a brace, with Sam Matthews, Matthew Bailey, Peter Simonoski and Ricky Zucco adding to Manly's woes. Further on in this season, Blacktown City won 3-0 and it was a 1-0 victory over Sutherland in the subsequent round with Ricky Zucco getting the winner.

Round 13 in 2015 saw Blacktown City hitting four and winning by this margin. Next Round Sutherland Sharks was the adversary with the Wolves concluding with a three goal margin with Brendan Griffin with a brace, together with Peter Simonoski getting the team over the line.

Blacktown City was to the fore once again in 2016 to hit three over the Wolves. The team then hit back the next round with Nicolas Bernal with a brace with Darcy Madden earning the plaudits.

The 1989/90 Round 20 game at Somers Street Stadium in Melbourne saw Melbourne Knights winning three blot. However in the next round the Wolves scored seven, which was a huge overturn. Six goals to Pat Brodnik was a mammoth haul while Zivko Hristovski added the other.

In the 2003/04 season of the NSL and the final one at that, in Round 3 South Melbourne put paid to the Wolves, scoring a 4-0 victory at home. Away to Melbourne Knights saw a 2-1 victory to the away team The Wolves' scorers were Stuart Young and Michael Hawrysiuk.

Manly United won 4-1 in Round 2, 2007 and in the next round Sydney Olympic were defeated by the Wolves 3-1 with a brace to Daniel Aliffi together with Ballamodou Conde's effort.

A 4-0 win to Sydney united in the 1989/90 season in Round 25 over the Wolves away saw the same score line in the subsequent game with the Wolves superiority over Sunshine George Cross with a brace to David Skeen and goals to Randall Easthorpe and Danny Petkovic rounding out the scorers.

With a three or more goal loss being followed up by a victory, it shows the character of the team to be able to produce 'turn around'.

By Malcolm Rowney

1ST GRADE TEAM LISTS



- 1 Aidan Munford (GK)
- 2 Taylor McDonald
- 3 Darcy Madden
- 4 Nikola Djordjevic
- 5 Joshua Alcorn
- 6 Ethan Kambisios
- 7 Marcus Beattie
- 8 Brendan Griffin
- 11 Leroy Jennings
- 12 Harrison Taranto
- 13 Stefan Dimoski
- 15 Daniel Loe
- 16 Fletcher McFarlane
- 17 James Stojcevski
- 19 Bilal Belkadi
- 20 Liam Wille
- 23 Hayden Durose (GK)
- 24 Lachlan Scott

Head Coach: Luke Wilkshire

Assistant Coach: Stephen O'Connor

Team Manager: Mark Wilkshire

Asst Team Manager: EgorDolgoplov

GK Coach: John Krajnovic

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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 Youlley
- 17 Martin Fernandez
- 19 Zach Cairncross
- 20 Dion Shaw
- 21 Emmanuel Peters
- 23 Brandon Vella
- 24 Paolo Laxamana

Head Coach: Peter Tsekenis

Manager: Peter Papoythis

Referee:

A. Arndt

Assistant Referees:

K. Robinson and H. Fisher

Fourth Official:

A. Naji

*TEAM LISTINGS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

1ST GRADE LADDER

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Blacktown City FC	16	10	3	3	33	15	18	33
2	Sydney United 58 FC	16	9	4	3	30	16	14	31
3	Manly United FC	16	7	5	4	22	21	1	26
4	Rockdale Ilinden FC	16	6	6	4	27	22	5	24
5	Sydney Olympic FC	16	7	3	6	22	18	4	24
6	Wollongong Wolves FC	16	6	4	6	23	32	-9	22
7	APIA Leichhardt FC	16	6	3	7	20	20	0	21
8	Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC	16	5	5	6	20	25	-5	20
9	Marconi Stallions FC	16	2	10	4	23	25	-2	16
10	Northbridge Bulls FC	16	3	6	7	31	30	1	15
11	Sutherland Sharks FC	16	3	5	8	17	29	-12	14
12	Sydney FC	16	3	4	9	27	42	-15	13





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MAJOR



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GREEN



JORDAN



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ROUND 16

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TOP GOAL SCORERS

Patrick Antelmi	Sydney United 58	13
Alec Urosevski	Rockdale Illinden	11
Travis Major	Blacktown City	10
Kyle Cimenti	Northbridge Bulls	9
James Andrew	Sutherland Sharks	8
Jack Stewart	Mt Druitt Town Rangers	8
Marko Jesic	Marconi	8
Dejan Pandurevic	Manly United	7
Leroy Jennings	Wollongong Wolves	6
Chris Payne	Sydney United 58	6
Mo Adam	Sydney Olympic	6
Lachlan Scott	Wollongong Wolves	6



Patrick Antelmi

TEAM LISTS

UNDER 18s

1	Luke	Morgan
2	Alex	Casella
3	Luke	Dearsley
4	Dax	Kelly
5	Logan	Mathie
6	Luke	Darjani
7	Thomas	Dunn
8	Flynn	Madden
9	Sebastian	Stanojevic
10	Denim	Nou
11	James	Quinn
12	Ben	Giason
13	Joshua	Galevski
14	Jake	almond
15	Samuel	Starcic
16	Jack	Duffy
17	Luke	Palermo

UNDER 16s

1	Spyro	kyriazidis
2	Jayden	Branovski
3	Benjamin	Caroutas
4	Harry	Churchill
5	James	Ciot
6	Koray	Gokturk
7	Damon	Gray
8	Edvard	Grujevski
9	Cooper	Kerridge
10	Zak	Markovski
11	Dylan	Martos
12	William	Milinkovic
13	Joel	Palermo
14	Cooper	Schofield
15	Sebastian	Tomasiello
16	Kalani	Vella

UNDER 15s

1	Max	Cunial
2	Liam	Ball
3	Zane	Basi
4	Kristian	Butkovic
5	Jude	Christie
6	Sebastian	Dobre
7	Jacob	Fakhoury
8	Cassander	Grujevski
9	Baxter	Hanley
10	Adam	Kairis
11	Roman	Kalmanidis
12	Tyler	King
13	Martin	Kolevski
14	Liam	Mavridis
15	Lucas	Trajcevski
16	Christian	Vujic

UNDER 14s

1	Hudson	Beddow
2	Luca	Beattie
3	Rocco	Booth
4	Riley	Dwyer
5	Tzar	Harb
6	Oscar	Kiely
7	Dylan	King
8	Kiho	Luke
9	Cameron	Luton
10	Michael	Marijan
11	Ryan	Molnar
12	Oliver	Morgan
13	Samuel	Palermo
14	Joshua	Rathbone
15	Zane	Stroemer

UNDER 13s

1	Bailey	Trunzo
2	Christian	Beleski
3	James	Benedetti
4	Lucas	Dubowski
5	Noah	Hewett
6	Khaled	Houchaymi
7	Isaac	Kostovski
8	Cooper	Markovic
9	Conor	Mathie
10		Millet
11	Lucas	Moreira
12	Jet	Sanders
13	Jordan	Sirijovski
14	Noah	Smart
15	Luca	Spaseski
16	Lachlan	Taylor

UNDER 12s

1	Noah	Petrolo GK
2	Jaxon	Bojlevski
3	Kahuitara	Te Ra Chase
4	Finley	Cole
5	Oscar	Dwyer
6	Fabian	Gaudiosi
7	Kristian	Graovac
8	Leo	Halios-Lewis
9	William	Heininger
10	Jack	Johanson
11	Travis	Kosevic
12	Max	Linton
13	Jarrah	Longbottom
14	Zachary	McNeill
15	Jared	Mihajlovic
16	Novak	Novakovic
17	Lachlan	Rayner
18	Henry	Sargent
20	Cohen	Martins GK

TEAM LISTS

UNDER 11s

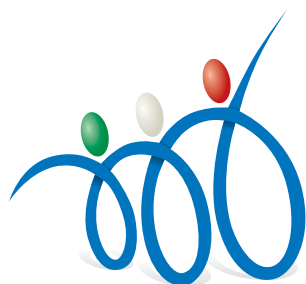
1	Loucas	Makowski
1	Ricardo	Vega
2	Harley	Bermudez
3	Ayden	Celebi
4	Austin	Craig
5	Leron	Elmazi
6	Xavier	Godbee
7	Wil	Leddy
8	Bailey	Mitchell
9	Jett	Nadj
10	Adam	Nikoloski
11	Samuel	Perez
12	Jordi	Prenzoski
13	Aidan	Rayner
14	Cash	Sanders
15	Haydon	Sharman
16	Max	Smith
17	Dean	Srbinoski
18	Lewis	Tomlinson
19	Christian	Ugonotti
20	Samuel	Ugonotti

UNDER 10s

3	Nickolas	Balgovind
4	Orlando	Beer
5	Callum	Cajar
6	Parker	Dumbrell
7		Everingham
8	Jackson	Fraser
9	Ethan	George
10	Julian	Giorgio
11	Ethan	Mathie
12	Jonas	McDermott
13	Kynan	Merola
14	Jake	Mulhall
15	Alex	Popovski
16	Travis	Potter
17	Rocco	Scaglia
18	Hugo	Spaseski
19	Preston	Taylor
20	Cristian	Vidal
21	Jonny	Antoniou

UNDER 9s

2	Gianni	Arbolino
3	Tyler	Bailey
4	Lachlan	Cram
5	Leon	Gavriloski
6	Nicholas	Giorgio
7	Isaac	Gizzi
8	Lohithan	J Avinash
9	Taylor	Lombardi
10	Parker	Mayer
11	Harley	Sanders
12	Jacob	Saunders
13	Flynn	Saville
14	Preston	tanevski
15	Zayne	Thompson
16	Nash	Tweddle
17	Archer	vian



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U20 TEAM LISTS



- 1 Tomas Butkovic
- 2 Evan Ball
- 3 Brendan Low
- 4 Jacob Garner
- 5 Luca Danzo
- 6 Fletcher McFarlane
- 7 Noah Vidler
- 8 Jake Lavalle
- 9 Lewis Grimshaw

- 10 Nico Duarte
- 11 Mason Mavridis
- 12 Rocky Lavalle
- 13 Paul Soravia
- 14 Jarvis Patterson
- 15 Jayden Smileski
- 17 Nav Darjani
- 19 Deakin Brownlee
- 21 Keegan Matias

Coach: Matheus Scapin
Assistant Coach: Daniell Zeleny
Team Manager: Jorge Perez



- 30 Jordan Ford
- 31 Daniel Helweh
- 32 Jarred McKinley
- 22 Andrew Holder
- 25 Blake Ilitch
- 18 Dimos Vlachos
- 33 Jackson Angelou
- 35 Jeremy Dinh

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

Coach: Steve Appleby
Manager: Patrick Gatt

U20 LADDER

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Manly United FC	16	12	0	4	34	16	18	36
2	Sydney Olympic FC	16	8	3	5	28	17	11	27
3	Sydney FC	16	7	6	3	19	11	8	27
4	Wollongong Wolves FC	16	8	2	6	28	25	3	26
5	Blacktown City FC	16	7	3	6	32	18	14	24
6	Marconi Stallions FC	16	7	3	6	26	19	7	24
7	Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC	16	7	3	6	32	32	0	24
8	Sutherland Sharks FC	16	6	3	7	24	28	-4	21
9	Sydney United 58 FC	16	5	3	8	27	38	-11	18
10	APIA Leichhardt FC	16	4	4	8	20	31	-11	16
11	Northbridge Bulls FC	16	4	3	9	20	30	-10	15
12	Rockdale Ilinden FC	16	2	5	9	15	37	-22	11

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

CLUB	PLAYED	U20's	1st	TOTAL
Blacktown City FC	32	48	132	180
Manly United FC	32	72	104	175
Sydney United 58 FC	32	36	124	160
Sydney Olympic FC	32	54	96	150
Wollongong Wolves FC	32	52	88	140
Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC	32	42	80	122
Rockdale Ilinden FC	32	22	96	118
APIA Leichhardt FC	32	32	84	116
Marconi Stallions FC	32	48	64	112
Sydney FC	32	60	52	112
Sutherland Sharks FC	32	42	56	98
Northbridge Bulls FC	32	30	60	90

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NEXT ROUND FIXTURES

**SUTHERLAND SHARKS FC VS
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 3:30 PM / SAT 26 JUN
 SEYMOUR SHAW

**WOLLONGONG WOLVES FC VS
 SYDNEY UNITED 58 FC**
 2:30 PM / SUN 27 JUN
 ALBERT BUTLER MEMORIAL PARK

**MARCONI STALLIONS FC VS
 APIA LEICHHARDT FC**
 6:00 PM / SAT 26 JUN
 MARCONI STADIUM

**ROCKDALE ILINDEN FC VS
 NORTHBRIDGE BULLS FC**
 3:00 PM / SUN 27 JUN
 ROCKDALE ILINDEN SPORTS CENTRE

**MT DRUITT TOWN RANGERS FC VS
 BLACKTOWN CITY FC**
 7:00 PM / SAT 26 JUN
 POPONDETTA PARK

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ROUND 3	14/03/21 (Sun)	14:30	Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC
ROUND 5	28/03/21 (Sun)	13:00	WIN Stadium - Northbridge Bulls FC
ROUND 8	18/04/21 (Sun)	14:30	Blacktown City FC
ROUND 11	09/05/21 (Sun)	14:30	Sutherland Sharks FC
ROUND 12	16/05/21 (Sun)	14:30	Rockdale Ilinden FC
ROUND 15	06/06/21 (Sun)	14:30	Sydney Olympic FC
ROUND 17	20/06/21 (Sun)	14:30	Marconi Stallions FC
ROUND 18	27/06/21 (Sun)	14:30	Sydney United 58 FC
ROUND 20	11/07/21 (Sun)	14:30	APIA Leichhardt FC
ROUND 21	18/07/21 (Sun)	14:30	Sydney FC

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