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**ROCKDALE ILINDEN SPORTS CENTRE
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2022 - ROUND 03

CLUB WELCOME

We welcome our members, sponsors and supporters to this round 3 clash against APIA Leichhardt Tigers.

This is our first home game of year after two tough weeks on the road.

We welcome our visitors, a team we know well and with whom we have had some almighty tussles over the years.

As I said above, we come into this fixture after two very tough weeks on the road. In both games, the effort was there, but we have found it difficult to unlock our opponents. That said, our last minute equalizer last week was thoroughly deserved and it shows the never say die attitude of our team. We are looking forward to celebrating what we hope will be our first win of the season on Sunday.

The game is also an important milestone as we officially unveil our new photo wall inside the club house. Our members will be delighted to be able to see the hard work put in to recognize our many wonderful teams from yesteryear. Included are team photos from our many wonderful sides, including our 1983 champion team, our 2002 and 2006 teams, and most recently, our grand finalists from two years ago. Many former players will be in attendance for this fixture. We hope to emulate our champion teams from the past this year and it starts now in round 3.

Don't forget, season passes are now on sale. 2022 season ticket holders will be able to purchase their passes and pick up their 2022 members caps.

Finally, we want to acknowledge and thank each of our wonderful sponsors. They are the lifeline of the Club.

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Dennis Loether- President



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- 1 David Bradasevic (GK)
- 2 Daniel Petkovski
- 3 Lachie Griffiths
- 4 Mitchell Stamatellis
- 5 Will Mutch
- 6 Daniel Araujo
- 7 Alec Urosevski
- 8 Nikola Kuleski
- 9 Bai Antoniou
- 10 Tomoki Wada
- 11 Peter Kekeris
- 14 Brayden Sorge
- 15 Jamie Percevski
- 16 Mo Ahmed
- 19 Patty Savor
- 20 Matthew Marrum (GK)
- 23 Jaden Casella
- 25 Alex Masciovecchio
- 88 Chris Mcstay

Head Coach: Steve Zoric
Assistant Coach: Gary Deprato
Goalkeeper Coach: Trinity Allen
Head of Football: Matthew Ribarovski
Physio: Michael Koutzoumis
Gear Steward: Jovan Ckorovski
Stats: Giulio Martone



- 1 Ivan Necevski
- 2 Gian Fiorese
- 3 Paul Galimi
- 4 Josh Symons
- 5 Nick Azzone
- 6 Simon Nicholas
- 7 Matthew Cahill
- 9 Jason Romero
- 10 Franco Parisi
- 14 Jack Armson
- 15 Themba Muata-Marlow
- 16 Sean Symons
- 18 Adrian Ucchino
- 19 Fabian Monge
- 20 Nathanael Blair
- 22 Luke Turnbull
- 23 Walter Scott
- 38 Yianni Nicolaou

Head Coach: Danial Cummins
Assistant Coach: John Calleja
Goalkeeper Coach: Bronislav Jasiczek
Club Physios: Michael Sawan and
Isaiah Martins
Club S and C: Stelios Pikoulis
Club Official: Andrew Mandaglio
Data and Analysis: Steve Callas

Referee: Hassan Jomaa
Assistant Referees: Cameron Wayne Wright and Nick Vermaat
Fourth Official: Mujtaba Ebrahimi

*TEAM LISTINGS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

MATCH PREVIEW

Rockdale will host their first game of the season against APIA Leichhardt on Sunday evening, and after a sensational injury-time goal saw them come away from Round 2 with a draw, will be hoping to use the momentum to secure their first win of the season.

Having bolstered their squad in the offseason, Rockdale have plenty of talent to lean on in the clash and the experience of Mitchell Stamatellis, Alec Urosevski and David Bradasevic will be crucial to getting the most from the team.

Will Mutch and Peter Kekeris have been impressive new additions to the Rockdale squad and will be hoping to bring their A-game against former side, APIA Leichhardt.

APIA will have a short turnaround time between their Wednesday night make-up clash with Mt Druitt but will be hoping the momentum from their win over Manly United at the weekend leads them to another victory.

With dynamic young-gun Nathanael Blair and midfielder Jason Romero featuring in this week's Team of the Week, they will be two to keep your eye on, alongside several experienced players included

Ivan Necevski, Themba Muata-Marlow, Michael Kouta, Adrian Uccchino and Franco Parisi.

Will Rockdale be able to secure an important three points to prove themselves as contenders this season, or will APIA Leichhardt continue their impressive form to take another win?



1ST GRADE LADDER

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	FF	F	A	GD	PTS
1	APIA Leichhardt FC	2	2	0	0	0	6	3	3	6
2	Blacktown City FC	2	2	0	0	0	5	2	3	6
3	Sydney FC	2	2	0	0	0	4	2	2	6
4	Sydney United 58 FC	2	2	0	0	0	4	2	2	6
5	Wollongong Wolves FC	2	1	0	1	0	4	1	3	3
6	Marconi Stallions FC	2	1	0	1	0	3	3	0	3
7	Manly United FC	2	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	3
8	Rockdale Ilinden FC	2	0	1	1	0	1	2	-1	1
9	Sydney Olympic FC	2	0	1	1	0	1	2	-1	1
10	Sutherland Sharks FC	2	0	0	2	0	4	6	-2	0
11	Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC	2	0	0	2	0	5	9	-4	0
12	Northbridge Bulls FC	2	0	0	2	0	2	7	-5	0

FIRST GRADE REVIEWS

Sydney Olympic FC 1 – Rockdale Ilinden FC 1 at Belmore Sportsground

Rockdale Ilinden FC snatched a sensational last-minute goal to finish with a 1-1 draw with hosts Sydney Olympic at Belmore Sportsground on Sunday afternoon.

A second-half Roy O'Donovan goal was cancelled out by an extra time Lachlan Griffiths strike that sent Rockdale fans into celebrations as the visitors managed to take a point from the tight match.

With end-to-end action and plenty of chances for both sides, particularly in the second half, one goal apiece was all either side could secure by the final whistle as Rockdale stunned an Olympic side that had all but won the game.

The draw gives Rockdale a bit of hope moving forward, while Sydney Olympic will need to move on from the late disappointment as they look for their first win in Round 3.

APIA Leichhardt FC 1 – Manly United FC 0 at Lambert Park

As predicted, APIA Leichhardt FC may have unearthed a new young gun in the making as 17-year-old striker Nathaneal Blair scored the only goal of the match which gifted the Inner West club a 1-0 victory over Manly United.

The historic venue in Leichhardt hasn't been a happy hunting ground for the home side in recent years against the peninsular visitors – in fact, APIA Leichhardt had won only one of their last five encounters against Manly United at their home ground.

Going into the game Danial Cummins' team was out to turn around that poor run and that's exactly what they did with a hard-fought and, at times, tough game of football.

After having their Round 1 match washed out, the win gives APIA a valuable victory in their opening game of the season.



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Adam Manoski
Kayde Richards
Marcus Anevski
Alex Casella
Phillip Dimitriev
Harry Skotadis
Dean Siadaresi
Paul Soravia
Rahim Kamara
Vincent Fedele

Coach: Adrian Meneses
Assistant Coach: Alejandro Araujo



24 Sebastian Boffa
25 Massimo Melissari
26 Joshua Azzopardi
27 Dylan Chau
28 Marcus Apostolakis
29 Daniel Azzone
30 Gene Marantos
31 Matt Lee
32 Alex Bardas
33 Harry Stavris
34 Cooper Stormonth
35 Dylan Susovic
37 Alexander Zinnato
39 Anthony Kyriazis
40 James Khoury
41 Konstantin Petkovic

Coach: Anthony Mazza
Manager: Pierre Sassine
Official: Joe Mirigliani

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1	Wollongong Wolves FC	2	2	0	0	0	5	1	4	6
2	Sydney FC	2	2	0	0	0	5	3	2	6
3	Marconi Stallions FC	2	1	0	1	0	4	3	1	3
4	Sutherland Sharks FC	2	1	0	1	0	4	3	1	3
5	Sydney Olympic FC	1	1	0	0	0	2	1	1	3
6	APIA Leichhardt FC	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	3
7	Blacktown City FC	1	0	1	0	0	2	2	0	1
8	Rockdale Ilinden FC	2	0	1	1	0	3	4	-1	1
9	Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	Manly United FC	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	-1	0
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12	Sydney United 58 FC	2	0	0	2	0	0	6	-6	0



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PHOTO GALLERY



GOLDEN BOOT TALLY

Name (Team)	Goals
Jason Romero (APIA)	2
Sean Symons (APIA)	2
Jordan Smylie (Blacktown City)	2
Charles Lokolingoy (Marconi)	2
Jack Stewart (Mt Druitt Town Rangers)	2
Lachlan Scott (Wollongong Wolves)	2
Jaiden Kucharski (Sydney FC)	2
James Andrew (Sutherland Sharks)	2
Jason Madonis (Sutherland Sharks)	2
Zachary Sapsford (Sydney FC)	2



NATHANAEL BLAIR

NEXT ROUND FIXTURES

**MT DRUITT TOWN RANGERS FC V
SUTHERLAND SHARKS FC**
FRI, 25TH MAR 2022 / 7:00 PM
POPONDETTA PARK

**APIA LEICHHARDT FC V
BLACKTOWN CITY FC**
SAT, 26TH MAR 2022 / 3:00 PM
LAMBERT PARK

**WOLLONGONG WOLVES FC V
SYDNEY OLYMPIC FC**
SAT, 26TH MAR 2022 / 5:00 PM
ALBERT BUTLER MEMORIAL PARK

**MARCONI STALLIONS FC V
ROCKDALE ILINDEN FC**
SAT, 26TH MAR 2022 / 7:00 PM
MARCONI STADIUM

**NORTHBRIDGE BULLS FC V SYDNEY
UNITED 58 FC**
SUN, 27TH MAR 2022 / 3:00 PM
SYDNEY UNITED SPORTS CENTRE

**SYDNEY FC V
MANLY UNITED FC**
SUN, 27TH MAR 2022 / 6:30 PM
ROCKDALE ILINDEN SPORTS CENTRE



FIXTURES

2022 HOME GAMES



HOME GROUND - Ilinden Sports Centre
468 West Botany St, Rockdale

Sun, 20th Mar	4:00 PM	APIA Leichhardt FC	R3
Sun, 3rd Apr	4:00 PM	Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC	R5
Sun, 17th Apr	4:00 PM	Wollongong Wolves FC	R7
Sun, 1st May	4:00 PM	Northbridge Bulls FC	R9
Sun, 15th May	4:00 PM	Manly United FC	R11
Sun, 22nd May	4:00 PM	Blacktown City FC	R12
Sun, 29th May	4:00 PM	Sydney Olympic FC	R13
Sun, 12th Jun	4:00 PM	Marconi Stallions FC	R15
Sun, 26th Jun	4:00 PM	Sydney United 58 FC	R17
Sun, 10th Jul	4:00 PM	Sutherland Sharks FC	R19
Sun, 24th Jul	4:00 PM	Sydney FC	R21



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