

# KICKOFF



## 2022 ELIMINATION SEMI FINAL



**MARCONI STADIUM**  
**SATURDAY 6TH AUGUST**  
**5PM**

# CLUB WELCOME

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The Board of Directors at Club Marconi and Coaching staff warmly welcome APIA Leichhardt FC to Marconi Stadium for the Elimination Semi Finals 2022.

In the Italian derby, APIA Leichhardt will be looking to stop Marconi's chances of Premiership glory however Marconi Stallions have their eyes on that finals place.

With two of the most experienced teams in the competition there will be plenty of quality football in the match.

APIA Leichhardt are looking to make it a back to back win against Marconi, while Marconi's recent win against Northbridge will surely have them hungry for another victory and keep silverware within reach. With the recent departure of Marconi's attacking prowess of Charles Lokolingoy, Marconi will be looking to Domenic Costanzo, Marko Jesic

and Chris Hatfield, while APIA have the talent of Diego Celis and Jason Romero in their forward line to rustle the Marconi defence.

As the wet weather presented many challenges this season, we are pleased to state, that we will be finishing the season in its entirety unlike the previous 2 years which were cut short by the Covid pandemic. We congratulate our Men's 1st Grade for securing a respectful semi-final position after finishing on 40 points and to our Men's U20s team for finishing strongly in 5th place, also making it in the finals. We now head into the final's series with enthusiasm and optimism of bringing more silverware to the Marconi Stallions trophy cabinet.

In one of the tightest finals battles in years, there is so much on the line for two historic teams with a history of high-calibre, intense battles and this will surely be no exception.



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# 1ST GRADE TEAM LISTS



- 1 Nenad Vekic (GK)
- 2 Nathan Millgate
- 3 Giorgio Speranza
- 4 Roberto Speranza
- 6 Domenico Costanzo
- 7 Christopher Hatfield
- 8 Connor Evans
- 9 Thomas James
- 10 Marko Jesic
- 11 Charles Lokolingoy
- 13 Samuel Gulisano
- 14 Jarrod Mckinley
- 16 Liam Youlley
- 17 Martin Fernandez
- 18 Adrian Valenti
- 19 Zac Cairncross
- 20 Dion Shaw (GK)
- 22 Taylor Mcdonald
- 23 Brandon Vella
- 24 Dominic Brischetto

Head Coach: Peter Tsekenis

Assistant Coach: Peter Papoythis

Assistant Coach: Manny Spanoudakis

Team Manager: Frank Mammoliti

Strength & Conditioning Coach:  
Brett Studman

Gear Stewards: Rob Filipin, Rob Tolomeo  
and Liborio Bivona

Sports Physio: Andrew Hughes



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

Head Coach: Danial Cummins

Assistant Coaches: John Calleja and  
Valerio Silvestro

Managers: Sergio Bucciarelli, Sam  
Barletta

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:**

**Emma Kocbek and Cameron Wright**

**Fourth Official:**

**Craig Fisher**

\*TEAM LISTINGS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

# MATCH PREVIEW

Marconi will come up against APIA Leichhardt for the second Italian Derby in two weeks.

This time around Marconi will have the home-ground advantage as they host their rivals at 'The Palace' on Saturday evening.

The Marconi faithful will relish the opportunity to settle the score against the Inner West side, with both teams having won one of their matchups this season - Marconi with a 4-1 victory in Round 10, and APIA with a 2-0 victory in Round 21.

After defender Roberto Speranza was sent off in the Round 20 clash between the two, he will sit out this one, while his replacement Zach Cairncross left the field in Round 22 with a hamstring injury, leaving his selection in doubt.

If Cairncross isn't fit to play in the Elimination Semi-Final, Stallions coach Peter Tsekenis will have to lean on his team to play out of their preferred position.

With three goals from players outside their usual goal scorers in their last match, Marconi will have some extra confidence and momentum, especially since losing attacker Charles Lokolingoy.

APIA Leichhardt's defeat to Sydney United 58 in Round 21 will have them hungry to bounce back from disappointment, and a high-intensity clash might be exactly what they need to bring out the best in their squad.

With plenty of experience on the park from goalkeeper Ivan Necevski, captain Adrian Uchino, the Symons brothers and Franco Parisi, APIA know the importance of this match having been in three of the last four grand finals.

Their only win from the last eight games was against Marconi, so while they haven't been in the best form heading into the finals, they'll know they're capable of coming out on top in the match.

It's do-or-die for both teams as they must win to continue their finals campaign, so who will go through to the Minor Semi-Final?

## 1ST GRADE LADDER

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Sydney Olympic FC	22	12	5	5	40	27	13	41
2	Manly United FC	22	12	5	5	36	24	12	41
3	Blacktown City FC	22	12	4	6	43	25	18	40
4	Marconi Stallions FC	22	11	7	4	43	31	12	40
5	APIA Leichhardt FC	22	10	5	7	41	33	8	35
6	Rockdale Ilinden FC	22	10	5	7	39	36	3	35
7	Sydney FC	22	8	8	6	53	45	8	32
8	Sydney United 58 FC	22	8	5	9	32	42	-10	29
9	Wollongong Wolves FC	22	4	8	10	37	42	-5	20
10	Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC	22	4	7	11	37	52	-15	19
11	Northbridge Bulls FC	22	5	3	14	32	57	-25	18
12	Sutherland Sharks FC	22	3	4	15	28	47	-19	13

# FIRST GRADE REVIEWS

## Northbridge Bulls FC 1 – Marconi Stallions FC 3 at Sydney United Sports Centre

The Marconi Stallions secured a spot in next weekend's do or die elimination final against old foes APIA Leichhardt after defeating the Northbridge Bulls 3-1 at the Sydney United Sports Centre on Sunday.

The energetic Bulls opened scoring in the 14th minute through Stephan De Robillard, but Marconi were quick to respond with Nathan Millgate equalising in the 16th minute.

The Stallions then took the lead in the 68th minute through Brandon Vella and topped it off with a goal to substitute Martin Fernandez in the 2nd minute of injury time.

The win sees Marconi progress through to the finals in fourth position on the ladder, giving them one chance to move forward in the series, while Northbridge's season has officially come to a close.

## APIA Leichhardt FC 1 – Sydney United 58 FC 3 at Lambert Park

Sydney United 58 triumphed over a finals-bound APIA Leichhardt with a 3-1 win at Lambert Park on Sunday afternoon.

APIA Leichhardt got off to the perfect start when Themba Muata-Marlow nodded home in the 15th minute, but were unable to hold their lead as Jordan Roberts equalised with a wonderful strike, before Taisei Kaneko and substitute Christopher Payne completed the scoring.

Despite the loss, APIA Leichhardt did lock down fifth spot and will play finals next week against Marconi Stallions in a repeat of the Italian Derby from Round 21.

For Sydney United 58, it is a good way to end what has been a tough season for the proud club.

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TEAM OF THE WEEK



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ROUND 22



ROY O'DONOVAN



TOM FAY



TAISEI KANEKO



BRUNO MENDES



BRANDON VELLA



ADAM PARKHOUSE



CHRIS LINDSAY



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# CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

POS	CLUB	PLAYED	U20	FG	PTS
1	Blacktown City FC	43	104	160	264
2	Marconi Stallions FC	44	68	160	228
3	Sydney Olympic FC	44	62	164	226
4	Sydney FC	44	96	128	224
5	Manly United FC	44	54	164	218
6	APIA Leichhardt FC	44	52	140	192
7	Rockdale Ilinden FC	44	40	140	180
8	Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC	43	92	76	168
9	Wollongong Wolves FC	44	68	80	148
10	Sydney United 58 FC	44	18	116	134
11	Northbridge Bulls FC	44	52	72	124
12	Sutherland Sharks FC	44	36	52	88

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# U20 TEAM LISTS



- 1 Tommy Butkovic
- 2 Ben Giason
- 3 Ryan Mrvic
- 4 Dax Kelly
- 5 Senna Stevenson
- 6 Nicholas Kalule
- 7 Thomas Dunn
- 8 Luke Dearsley
- 9 Denim Nou
- 10 Nico Duarte
- 11 Josh Fields
- 12 Michael Manyoun

Coach: Aaron Kellaway  
Assistant Coach: Juan Chazaretta  
Manager: Warren McWhirter  
GK Coach: John Krajnovic



- 27 Dean Efstathiou
- 28 Jordan Ford
- 29 James Hilton (GK)
- 31 Dylan Kanjo
- 32 Marcelo Martellotta
- 33 Matthew Martignago
- 34 Johnny Tsimigos
- 35 Justin Vidic
- 36 Cooper Widdup
- 38 Stefano D'Amico

Head Coach: Manny Spanoudakis  
Team Manager: Frank Mammoliti  
Sports Physio: Andrew Hughes

# U20 LADDER

POS	TEAM	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Blacktown City FC	21	16	4	1	56	14	42	52
2	Sydney FC	22	15	3	4	64	23	41	48
3	Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC	21	14	4	3	55	30	25	46
4	Wollongong Wolves FC	22	10	4	8	37	26	11	34
5	Marconi Stallions FC	22	10	4	8	38	32	6	34
6	Sydney Olympic FC	22	9	4	9	34	32	2	31
7	Manly United FC	22	8	3	11	31	36	-5	27
8	APIA Leichhardt FC	22	6	8	8	35	39	-4	26
9	Northbridge Bulls FC	22	8	2	12	24	38	-14	26
10	Rockdale Ilinden FC	22	5	5	12	31	55	-24	20
11	Sutherland Sharks FC	22	5	3	14	20	51	-31	18
12	Sydney United 58 FC	22	3	0	19	18	67	-49	9



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