



# Around the Grounds

## State League One Easter Saturday/ANZAC Day Holiday Preview

Division One takes a break from its regular, scheduled season rounds of football this weekend, but Mother Nature's intervention early in Round One sees two rescheduled matches for the competition's die hard fans to look forward to. Kicking off at 7-00pm on Easter Saturday evening at The Crest Complex is the very absorbing contest between Inter Lions and Mt Druitt Town Rangers. Inter Lions recruited well in the off season, and have played some delightful football in their opening three matches. However, coach Nick Tarquinio must be scratching his head as to how he can convert this to points, given they have managed just the one draw to their name after three rounds. No doubt the loss of the hard working Di Mento brothers has had an effect on the team's intensity, as well as the fact that their momentum has taken a hit with their hap hazard playing schedule – two of their opening five matches have fallen foul of the weather. But the Lions are a proud club, and are too good a side to be propping up the ladder - the question remains who will be their first scalp as they look to put their season on track so they can reach the heights of recent years. Mt Druitt have bounced back from two opening season losses to record back to back wins, and their six points sees them sitting comfortably in the top half of the ladder at this early stage of the season. With skipper, Ryan O'Shea, and Nathan Ralph, running amok in the mid-field, the Rangers will back themselves to continue Inter's misery and grab some much wanted Easter points on the road. The second match of the long weekend is the ANZAC holiday clash on Tuesday afternoon, kicking off at 3-00pm at Hajduk Stadium. Fairfield Bulls welcome the visit of Gladesville Ryde Magic, hoping to put the Magic to the sword in front of their home fans. The Bulls have had a steady start to their campaign since their elevation from Division Two last year, with a win/draw/loss record, and a win here in this catch up game will elevate them to equal fourth. The Magic have hit form with back to back wins in their last couple of rounds, and will go into this match full of confidence and be hoping star Greek goalkeeper, Kiriakos Tohouroglou, can keep a clean sheet, and help them to a third successive three point haul.

Division One - Top Goalscorers	
Round Four	
7	<b>Nick PARADISIS</b> (Stanmore Hawks)
5	<b>Greg BALDOCK</b> (Mounties)
4	<b>Mark SYMINGTON</b> (Mounties)
	<b>Matthew CROSS</b> (Camden Tigers)

-By Frank Speranza



## FOOTBALL NSW MEN'S PREMIER LEAGUE SEASON 2011

### Round 5

TIME	HOME TEAM	AWAY TEAM	VENUE
3:00 PM Fri 22/Apr	APIA Leichhardt Tigers	vs Sutherland Sharks	Lambert Park
7:00 PM Sat 23/Apr	Manly United FC	vs Rockdale City Suns	Cromer Park
7:00 PM Sat 23/Apr	Bankstown City	vs Blacktown City FC	Jensen Park
3:00 PM Mon 25/Apr	Marconi Stallions	vs Bonnyrigg White Eagles	Marconi Stadium
4:00 PM Mon 25/Apr	Parramatta FC	vs Sydney Olympic	Melita Stadium
4:00 PM Mon 25/Apr	Sydney United	vs South Coast Wolves	Sydney United Sports Centre

# Waratah Cup Round 2 matches announced

The 2011 Waratah Cup Round 2 matches were announced at Football NSW Headquarters at Glenwood on Wednesday with twenty matches set for April 26th, April 27th, May 4th and May 5th.

Round 2 has seen all NSW Super League teams enter the fray as they tackle the likes of clubs from State Leagues 1 and 2, Illawarra Premier League, ACT Premier League and various Association teams from across NSW. Pacific Hills Dural, Pagewood Botany, Como West Janali, Collaroy Cromer and Eastwood St. Andrews are the only remaining Association clubs hoping to go through to the next round in a bid to tackle NSW Premier League opposition. Gladesville Hornsby's Pacific Hills Dural face the tough task of taking on NSW Super League side Fraser Park at Fraser Park. Eastern Suburb's Pagewood Botany host NSW Super League side Granville Rage as Hensley Athletic Field while Sutherland's Como West Janali travel to Cook Park to take on State League one outfit Mounties Wanderers. Gladesville Hornsby's Eastwood St. Andrews travels to Bensons Lane to take on State League Two side Chopin Park Rams while a huge derby will take place at Lidcombe Oval as the West Sydney Berries entertain the Stanmore Hawks in what promises to be a huge game. A number of big clashes have been highlighted in NSW's answer to the English FA Cup with Lynwood Park hosting Super League side Macarthur Rams taking on one of the ACT's best clubs in Canberra FC. Illawarra Premier League side Port Kembla face State League One side Hurstville ZFC after their convincing 4-0 defeat of Canterbury Association side Enfield Rovers while Dandaloo FC travel to Hensley Athletic Field to take on State League Two outfit Hakoah. Picton Rangers, who defeated Menai Hawks 1-0 in the earlier round, will also travel as they take on State League Two side FC Gazy Lansvale while another big fixture will see newly promoted Super League side Dulwich Hill travel to Popondetta Park tackling Mt Druitt Town Rangers who this year were relegated from the Super League. The battle of the University's will take place as Sydney University have been drawn to face University of New South Wales while an eye catching fixture will also take place out at St George Stadium as NSW Super League side St George FC take on State League One side Inter Lions. An interesting fixture will also take place at Christie Park as a derby between NSW Super League side Spirit FC v State League Two side Northbridge should bring out an exciting clash. Round 3 of the Waratah Cup will see the introduction of the NSW Premier League clubs with the run to the final getting closer from here on.

-By Mark Stavroulakis

### Waratah Cup Round 2 Fixtures

<b>Blacktown Spartans (SL) v Balmain (SL1)</b> Wednesday, 27 April 2011 7:15 PM Francis Park
<b>Central Coast FC (SL) v Fairfield Bulls (SL1)</b> Wednesday, 4 May 2011 7:15 PM Pluim Park
<b>Fraser Park (SL) v Pacific Hills Dural (ASSOC)</b> Tuesday, 26 April 2011 6:30 AM Fraser Park
<b>Hills Brumbies (SL) v Gladesville Ryde Magic (SL1)</b> Wednesday, 4 May 2011 7:15 PM Second Ponds Oval
<b>Macarthur Rams (SL) v Canberra FC (ACT PL)</b> Wednesday, 27 April 2011 7:15 PM Lynwood Park
<b>St. George FC (SL) v Inter Lions (SL1)</b> Wednesday, 4 May 2011 7:15 PM St George Stadium
<b>Spirit FC (SL) v Northbridge FC (SL2)</b> Wednesday, 4 May 2011 7:15 PM Christie Park
<b>Pagewood Botany (ASSOC) v Granville Rage (SL)</b> Wednesday, 27 April 2011 7:45 PM Hensley Athletic Field
<b>Sydney University (SL) v UNSW (SL1)</b> TBA Hensley Athletic Field
<b>West Sydney Berries (SL) v Stanmore Hawks (SL1)</b> Wednesday, 27 April 2011 7:15 PM Lidcombe Oval
<b>Mt. Druitt Town Rangers (SL1) v Dulwich Hill (SL)</b> Wednesday, 27 April 2011 7:15 PM Popondetta Park
<b>Mounties Wanderers (SL1) v Como West Janali (ASSOC)</b> Wednesday, 27 April 2011 7:15 PM Cook Park (St Marys)
<b>Schofields Scorpions (SL1) v Bathurst 75 (SL2)</b> Wednesday, 4 May 2011 7:15 PM CSI Sports Ground
<b>Camden Tigers (SL1) v Fairfield City Lions (SL1)</b> Wednesday, 27 April 2011 7:15 PM Ron Dine Reserve
<b>Port Kembla (IPL) v Hurstville ZFC (SL1)</b> Wednesday, 27 April 2011 7:15 PM Wetherill Park Primbee
<b>Hakoah (SL2) v Dandaloo FC (IPL)</b> Thursday, 5 May 2011 7:15 PM Hensley Athletic Field
<b>Hawkesbury City SC (SL2) v Collaroy Cromer (ASSOC)</b> Wednesday, 4 May 2011 6:30 PM Bensons Lane
<b>Chopin Park Rams (SL2) v Eastwood St. Andrews (ASSOC)</b> Wednesday, 4 May 2011 8:15 PM Bensons Lane
<b>FC Gazy Lansvale (SL2) v Picton Rangers (IPL)</b> Wednesday, 4 May 2011 7:15 PM Cherrybrook Park
<b>Fairfield Wanderers (SL2) v Northern Tigers (SL)</b> Wednesday, 4 May 2011 7:15 PM Knight Park

#### Key:

SL - Super League | SL1 - State League One | SL2 - State League Two | ASSOC - Association | ACT PL - ACT Premier League | IPL - Illawarra Premier League