

## Around the Grounds

# NSW Premier League Round 14 Review

An extremely even encounter where both sides cancelled each other out in the opening 45' minutes, the second-half provided the strong turnout at Belmore Sports Ground with an entertaining affair. Resilient defender Brett Studman got forward 15' minutes from the end to head Jerry Kalouris' cross into the back of the net for the opening goal.

The delight of the Sydney Olympic supporters was short lived though, as former Blues player Niko Tsattalios equalised 4' minutes later. The left-sided winger collected a short pass before turning his marker and blasting the ball into the back of the net, much to the delight of the Sharks team who were without captain George Souris and coach Robbie Stanton for the match. Sydney Olympic, who unveiled new signing Daniel Severino in the last 20' minutes, snatched a dramatic winner in injury-time courtesy of playmaker Robbie Mileski.



With the Sharks defenders failing to deal with a corner, Mileski volleyed a fine attempt into the back of the net to send the Blues supporters into raptures. The win sees the Blues firmly place one hand on the Premiership trophy with the Sharks and Sydney United sitting seven points behind the runaway leaders. Sydney United overtook Sutherland Sharks on goal difference with an equally dramatic victory on Saturday evening. Trailing Rockdale City Suns 1-0 courtesy of a much deserved 55' minute goal to Sash Tirovski, the Reds scored two late goals to secure victory. Far from their best performance of the season, Elsid Barkhousir (71') and Luka Glavas (81') managed to turn the tie into their favour, handing new Suns coach Wally Savor a first up loss. The result was salvaged by Reds goalkeeper Vedran Janjetovic in injury-time as he produced an exceptional penalty-save to deny Jason Naidovski, and the Suns, a share of the points. At Bonnyrigg Sports Centre, a ten-man White Eagles outfit fought back from a goal down to salvage a point against Bankstown City in an entertaining affair. The Lions hit the front inside of the opening minute of play with a well-taken effort by Aman Hadid catching Bonnyrigg goalkeeper Andrew Bazi unawares for the lead. Bonnyrigg's job at hand hit a wall early in the second-half as Jamie McMaster

was shown his second yellow card for a poorly timed challenge. Despite the numerical disadvantage, Bonnyrigg found their equaliser courtesy of reliable striker Brad Boardman in the 71' minute. The striker finished with aplomb from close-range, much to the relief of the home supporters. Sean Mitchell for Bankstown, and Chris Tadrosse for the White Eagles, both squandered late chances to ensure the sides closed proceedings with a share of the spoils. On Sunday afternoon at John Crehan Park, South Coast Wolves welcomed back Sasho Petrovski following his three-week absence due to suspension as the former A-League striker scored deep into injury-time to secure what seemed an unlikely 2-1 win against A.P.I.A.-Leichhardt Tigers. Trailing 1-0 after Wandu Jajaw rounded Wolves' goalkeeper Brody Crane to slot home in the 11' minute, the Tigers seemed to be in complete control until Mark Picciolini headed home Tayfun Buyukkopr'u's corner in the 76' minute. Petrovski claimed the winner in the 91' minute via an indirect free-kick, six-yards from the Tigers goal line. Tigers' goalkeeper Jose Bello-Amigo was adjudged to pick up a back pass from Michael West, and Petrovski blasted his effort through the eleven-men that lined the Tigers goal line. Parramatta FC collected their first win under new coach Manny Spanoudakis with the scalp of

defending champions Blacktown City FC at Lily Homes Stadium. The Eagles collected the three points courtesy of Luke Grima's early second-half strike. Blacktown City's afternoon was made even more difficult as Zac Cairncross was forced from the field with a second yellow card 15' minutes from the end.

Despite the numerical disadvantage, Blacktown City continued to press for an equaliser. The Eagles, closing in on what would be their second win of the competition, managed to grind out the result with some exceptional performances by Tom Wilson and Angelo Petratos. At Cromer Park, Manly United FC kept their finals hopes alive with an exceptional performance in their 3-1 defeat of Marconi Stallions. Despite falling behind in only the 6' minute courtesy of former player Giosue Sama, the Cromer Park side drew level prior to the break as Michael Daly bundled home Scott Balderson's corner. After the break, the home side lifted a gear and scored two more goals to subdue the Stallions. Justin Hayward gave Manly United the lead on 81' minutes as he used his pace to latch onto Robbie Cattanaach's through ball before slotting past James Chronopoulos. Scott Balderson confirmed the win with a deflected effort in the last minute of normal time, sending Manly United FC into seventh spot on the ladder.

**NSW Premier League Round 14 Results**

Sydney Olympic 2 (Brett Studman 76m Robert Mileski 92m)  
Sutherland Sharks 1 (Nikolas Tsattalios 80m)  
Rockdale City Suns 1 (Sash Tirovski 55m)  
Sydney United 2 (Elsid Barkhousir 71m Luka Glavas 81m)  
Bonnyrigg White Eagles 1 (Bradley Boardman 70m)  
Bankstown City 1 (Aman Hadid 17m)  
Blacktown City FC 0  
Parramatta FC 1 (Luke Grima 48m)  
South Coast Wolves 2 (Mark Picciolini 76m Saso Petrovski 91m)  
APIA Leichhardt Tigers 1 (Wandu Jajaw 11m)  
Manly United FC 3 (Michael Daly 35m Justin Hayward 82m Scott Balderson 89m)  
Marconi Stallions 1 (Giosue Sama 6m)

### NSW Premier League Table @ Round 14

POS	TEAM	P	W	L	D	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Sydney Olympic	14	10	2	2	26	13	13	32
2	Sydney United	13	7	2	4	24	14	10	25
3	Sutherland Sharks	14	7	3	4	21	17	4	25
4	Bonnyrigg White Eagles	14	6	3	5	21	15	6	23
5	Blacktown City FC	14	6	6	2	17	13	4	20
6	Marconi Stallions	14	5	5	4	17	13	4	19
7	Manly United FC	13	4	4	5	21	26	-5	17
8	Bankstown City	14	4	7	3	17	22	-5	15
9	Rockdale City Suns	13	4	7	2	12	18	-6	14
10	APIA Leichhardt Tigers	13	3	6	4	16	22	-6	13
11	South Coast Wolves	13	4	8	1	15	23	-8	13
12	Parramatta FC	13	2	9	2	12	23	-11	8

### NSW Premier League Round 15 Fixtures

TIME	HOME TEAM	AWAY TEAM	VENUE
7:00 PM	Parramatta FC	vs Sutherland Sharks	Melita Stadium
Sat 2/Jul 3:00 PM	Sydney Olympic	vs Manly United FC	Belmore Sports Ground
Sun 3/Jul 3:00 PM	Bankstown City	vs South Coast Wolves	Jensen Park
Sun 3/Jul 3:00 PM	APIA Leichhardt Tigers	vs Blacktown City FC	Lambert Park
Sun 3/Jul 3:00 PM	Marconi Stallions	vs Rockdale City Suns	Marconi Stadium
Members only	Sydney United	vs Bonnyrigg White Eagles	N/A

### Men's Super League 2011- Round 15

Spirit FC	-	Macarthur Rams	1 -1
Blacktown Spartans	-	St George FC	0-1
Fraser Park FC	-	Granville Rage	1-0
Sydney University	-	Hills Brumbies	4-2
West Sydney Berries	-	Northern Tigers	1-1
Dulwich Hill	-	Central Coast FC	1-0

### After Round 15

POS	TEAM	P	W	L	D	F	A	GD	PTS
1	West Sydney Berries	15	7	3	5	37	21	16	26
2	Spirit FC	15	7	4	4	28	23	5	25
3	Macarthur Rams	14	7	4	3	27	18	9	24
4	Granville Rage	14	6	4	4	19	16	3	22
5	Blacktown Spartans	13	7	5	1	19	16	3	22
6	St George FC	14	6	5	3	21	17	4	21
7	Sydney University	14	5	5	4	22	25	-3	19
8	Northern Tigers	14	3	3	8	18	16	2	17
9	Central Coast FC	14	4	5	5	17	19	-2	17
10	Dulwich Hill	14	4	8	2	18	27	-9	14
11	Fraser Park FC	13	4	8	1	16	27	-11	13
12	Hills Brumbies	12	2	8	2	21	38	-17	8

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