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2018 National Premier Leagues NSW Men's Grand Final Sydney Olympic v - APIA Leichhardt Tigers 4pm Kick-Off

Tickets are now on sale for the 2018 National Premier Leagues NSW Men's Grand Final between Premiers APIA Leichhardt Tigers. The pinnacle event will be held on Sunday September 9th at Leichhardt Oval, Leichhardt. Fans are encouraged to purchase tickets online to avoid queues at the gate. Gates will open for the U18's Grand Final at 9am while sales for tickets will commence at 10:30am. Get in early for the Adults Early Bird Special of \$10 with the offer ending on Wednesday 5th of September at 11:45pm. An afternoon kick-off will see the two best Senior Grade teams in the NPL NSW Men's compete for the 2018 Championship. The Grand Final is sure to be a superb showcase of NSW National Premier Leagues football at its best so whether you're a neutral football fan or follow one of the competing teams, snap up your ticket to the game today. Purchase tickets to the NPL NSW Men's Grand Final **A reminder** that Children 15 years and under are admitted FREE entry if they comply with the below conditions:

Maximum of 4 children (15 years and under) per paying adult ticket holder. All children must be accompanied by an adult to enter the venue. Proof of age may be required to be shown upon entry.

Official NPL NSW Men's Grand Final Kick-off times:

U18 - 10am Kick-Off
Sydney FC v Rockdale City Suns FC

U20 - 12:30pm
Sydney FC Sutherland Sharks

1st Grade - 4pm Kick-Off
Sydney Olympic v APIA Leichhardt Tigers

TIM CAHILL SIGNS FOR INDIAN CLUB

Socceroos legend Tim Cahill has confirmed his move to India and signed for Super League side Jamshedpur.

The 107 cap, 50 goal Aussie veteran announced his retirement from international football after the World Cup but left the door open to carry on at club level, although ruled out the A-League. **At the time**, he said joining another A-League club after his recent stint with Melbourne City would make it difficult for his family in the USA.

Cahill left City before Christmas and later joined his old club Millwall on a short term deal ahead of Russia 2018, but struggled for gametime, as he'd done in his second season at Melbourne City.

This afternoon though, Jamshedpur confirmed they had signed the long-time Everton hero.

«The biggest signing of the #HeroISL 2018-19 season is here,» tweeted the club today in a series of tweets hashtagged #CahillIndia. «Ladies and gentlemen, presenting our latest recruit, a footballing legend - Tim Cahill.»

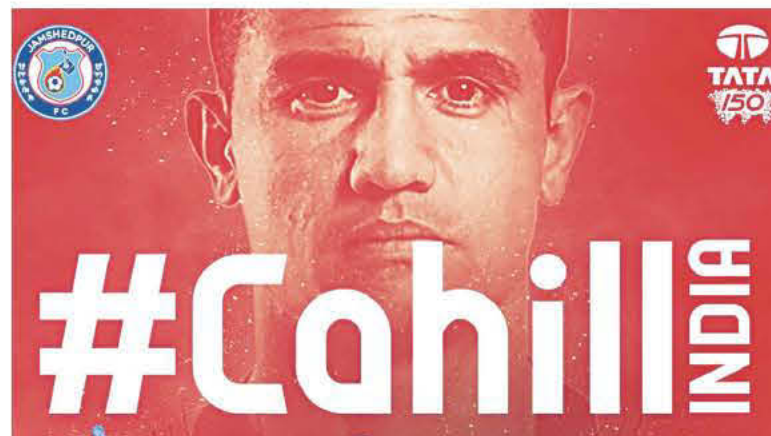
Cahill added on social media: «I'm excited to announce I signing for Jamshedpur FC in the Indian Super League.

«I've been really impress in my conversations with the club by their professionalism and goals for what they want to achieve.

«I know I can help the team on and off the park with my leadership and experience. I want to help grow the game and encourage young kids to play football.

«I'm looking forward yo beginning this next adventure, meeting my teammates at training camp in Madrid.»

Jamshedpur - nicknamed men of Steel - finished fifth in the 10-strong league last season and are coached by veteran Spanish coach Cesar Fernando, who briefly coached Atletico Madrid 14 years ago.



AZIZ BEHICH MOVE TO PSV EINDHOVEN

Socceroos left back Aziz Behich has been reunited with his World Cup assistant coach Mark von Bommel by finalising a permanent move to PSV Eindhoven.



Former Dutch star Van Bommel was appointed PSV coach while still with Australia at Russia 2018, working as an assistant to his father-in-law Bert van Marwijk.

Since taking the reins full-time, he has swooped to bring in Socceroos Trent Sainsbury and now Behich to bolster the Eredivisie side's back line. **Kiwi midfielder** Ryan Thomas, 23, is also in the squad having joined before the start of the season from PEC Zwolle.

The move to Holland comes after Behich spent five years with Bursaspor in Turkey, including a year back on loan at Melbourne Heart.

The four year deal follows an impressive showing at Russia 2018 where he played in all three games for van Marwijk.

Behich, 27, has 26 caps for the Socceroos and two goals to his name, and notched up 106 appearances for Bursaspor, scoring six in the process.

The Australian was unveiled alongside Mexican midfielder Erick Gutiérrez who has joined from Pachuca.

Apostolos Giannou Roo recall

Recalled Socceroos striker Apostolos Giannou capped a good week with a double overnight in AEK Lamaca's 3-0 win over Trencin in the Europa League qualifiers.

Five-time Socceroo scored in the first and 65th minutes to help the Cypriot club seal their spot in the group stage with a 4-1 aggregate win.

Giannou opened the scoring after only 24 seconds when released inside the box, with his deflected shot finding the back of the net.

He added the third goal with a close-range header after Ivan Trickovski's central pass from a cross.

Socceroos goalkeeper Danny Vukovic will play in the Europa

League with Genk after they completed a 9-4 aggregate win over Brondby overnight with a 4-2 home win.

Vukovic was in goal for the Belgian powerhouse, but conceded two goals either side of half-time as his side blew a 2-0 lead, like they did in the first leg.

The Australian wasn't culpable for either goal, before Sebastian

Dewaest and Mbwana Samatta netted in the second half to secure the win.

Elsewhere, Awer Mabil started from the bench despite his weekend goal, appearing as a 75th minute sub as Midtjylland went down 2-0 to Malmo at home, to crash out of Europe.

Tom Rogic was an unused substitute



as Celtic eased into the group stage with a 3-0 win over Lithuanian champions Suduva who had Aussie goalkeeper Ewan Ridley on the bench.