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→ ROUND 22 REVIEW – NPL 3 NSW MEN'S

The 2019 National Premier Leagues 3 NSW competition is always likely to keep you on the edge of your seat in anticipation, and this without a doubt carried over into the round 22 fixtures over the weekend.



Gladesville Ryde Magic produced the shock result of the round as they dished out Stanmore Hawks their first defeat in 10 matches, while Dulwich Hill seem to have found form at the right time of the season as they look to sneak into one of the prized finals spots. SD Raiders left it late as they defeated Inter Lions 2-1 at Ernie Smith Reserve on Saturday afternoon; Hawkesbury City secured a 2-0 victory away to Parramatta; Dulwich Hill put four unanswered goals past a nine man Dunbar Rovers at Arlington Oval; Bankstown City made light work of Western NSW Mariners at Jensen Park with a

5-1 rout; Sydney University overcame Bankstown United 2-1 at home; Gladesville Ryde Magic enjoyed a surprise 1-0 victory against Stanmore Hawks at Christie Park on Sunday afternoon. FNSW made the trip to Ron Dine Stadium on Saturday night to see how the clash between Camden Tigers and Granville Rage would play out.

Gladesville Ryde Magic – Stanmore Hawks FC 1-0
Gladesville Ryde Magic handed Stanmore Hawks only their second loss this season as they won 1-0 at Christie

Park on Sunday. A Sergio Tarazona goal in the first half was all the difference as Magic held on for victory – tightening their grip on 4th place in the process. For Stanmore, it marked only their second defeat of the campaign, with their last defeat coming against Bankstown City in mid-May.

The win and subsequent three points puts Gladesville on 43 points as they solidify their place in the top four, whilst defeat for the Hawks means they remain at the top of the table with 50 points however their lead is reduced to just two points

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ULTRA FOOTBALL **TEAM OF THE WEEK** NATIONAL PREMIER LEAGUES

ROUND 21
#NPLNSW



| NPL NSW Men's | | | | | |
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| Updated 5th August 2019 | | | | | |
| Club | Played | | U20's | 1st | Total |
| Blacktown City FC | 63 | 56 | 90 | 148 | 294 |
| Wollongong Wolves FC | 63 | 22 | 44 | 192 | 258 |
| APIA Leichhardt Tigers FC | 63 | 13 | 70 | 168 | 251 |
| Sutherland Sharks FC | 63 | 27 | 80 | 100 | 207 |
| Rockdale City Suns FC | 63 | 27 | 76 | 104 | 207 |
| Mt Druitt Town Rangers FC | 63 | 47 | 50 | 108 | 205 |
| Sydney Olympic FC | 64 | 15 | 68 | 116 | 199 |
| Sydney FC | 64 | 37 | 72 | 84 | 193 |

The 2019 National Premier Leagues NSW Men's premiership title is officially the Wollongong Wolves as the competition front runners wrapped up the league win during a massive weekend of Round 21 action. After leading the competition from the opening week of the season, Wollongong finally wrapped up the historic win to end the club's 32-year Premiership drought. Wollongong's win wasn't the only big news from the weekend's fixtures as Marconi, Blacktown City and APIA Leichhardt confirmed their place in this seasons finals series. Only one finals place remains and it will be a three-team battle between Sydney United 58, Sydney Olympic and Mt Druitt Town Rangers for that last remaining place in the post season.