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## 2020 **CEO'S REPORT**

#### **Ryan Webb**

To say this was a unique year would be an understatement as COVID-19 heavily impacted everything we did at the club, both on and off the field. The pandemic made us reassess how we did things and forced us to be agile in the execution of our activities as our operating environment constantly changed.

The NRL season started then stopped, fans were able to attend matches and then not, our football department was placed under the NRL's strict Apollo protocols which limited their contact with many others at the club, all in order for us to get through a full season of rugby league.

It was not just our football department that had to adjust. All our staff were exceptional in working through the vast array of challenges that were placed in front of them. All departments, including finance, corporate partnerships, football, consumer business, community, marketing, game day and communications did an exceptional job keeping the club not only alive, but by implementing many new systems and processes that will ensure we come out of this period stronger than ever before.

I would like to thank all our great corporate partners that supported us this year along with the more than 16,000 members whose support was unwavering. I believe the club has reciprocated that support through the supply of creative benefits this year along with the application of credits and discounts for many in 2021.

Despite all the challenges and potential excuses that have arisen, ultimately the club is judged on our performance and we did not meet expectations this year in the NRL nor the NRLW.

#### **Football**

Team performance was up and down. Sometimes this was evident from week-to-week, while at other times we seemed to change considerably from one half of football to the next. Consistency in results, but even more so consistency in effort is going to be vital for ongoing future success.

We saw the departure of a highly respected member of the club in head coach Paul McGregor. Paul was an outstanding servant to the club over many years and he will continue to be part of the Dragons' family for years to come.

It was great to see Dean Young step into the interim head coaching role for the final six matches of the season. I am sure he is better for the experience and we wish him all the best with his move to the Cowboys, where he will continue to grow as a coach and person.

The appointment of Anthony Griffin as our new head coach is a big change for the club and opportunity to create something new and exciting in a football sense. We believe Anthony's past achievements in the NRL give a good indication of what we can expect from him and the players under his instruction.

Along with Anthony's appointment, there have been several changes in personnel and structure throughout the football department. These changes should excite all the club's stakeholders, including our partners, members and supporters.

Although our NRLW team started off the year with an outstanding result in Perth at the NRL Nines, they were unable to return to those lofty heights come October's NRLW season.

The players and staff had to make some great personal sacrifices just to get onto the field and we have no doubt this affected the ability to perform at their best. As a club it is now our job to review the program and look at how we can do things better in

#### **Consumer business**

Our Red V members were also greatly affected by COVID-19 as the government restrictions stopped attending games early on and then later severely restricted their access through the latter part of the season.

We were humbled by the number of members that stuck by the club through these tough times and we look forward to welcoming back thousands of members to our home games next

From a merchandise perspective, our online sales were a highlight which can be attributed to our revamped online team store store, a stronger focus on our digital marketing and the general shift towards online shopping by consumers. The indigenous jersey was a tremendous piece of apparel that was a highlight of our range in 2020. The response from players and the public was overwhelming as it is great to have something carry such meaning and resonate with so many people.



THE NRLW NINES WIN PROVED A 2020 HIGHLIGHT

#### Commercial

We are fortunate to have a great stable of corporate partners who were incredibly patient and understanding throughout this year. There were long periods where answers were not easy to find as the status of the game and game day activities fluctuated so rapidly. Our corporate partnerships team focused on strong communication and transparency which ensured our partners were always kept informed.

The restrictions around our events and hospitality were the toughest to work through as number and spacing requirements meant that we could only entertain a small amount of guests on game day and our non-game day events were put on hold. A big thank you is needed for all our corporate partners who continued to support us through this year and we look forward to welcoming you back to our full game day and event experiences in the near future.

#### Community

Dragons Community continued to present programs based on three community pillars that reflect the needs within the local community. They are:

- 1. Health and wellbeing;
- 2. Grassroots; and,
- 3. Social inclusion

There were a number of highlights, not the least of which was

the entire NRL squad, staff, ambassadors, community team and NRL development staff visiting the fire ravaged South Coast to support of those affected by the 2020 New Year's Eve bushfires. It was a tremendous activity where the positive benefits were felt not just by the community, but also by our staff and players. Dragons players understand that they are in a unique position whereby they can promote and encourage,

either directly or indirectly,

intellectual welfare of young

the physical, cultural and

people in our community.

Although for much of the year the NRL squad were unable to engage in regular appearances due to COVID-19 restrictions, they still managed over 524 hours of engagements across our regions.

The Dragons 'Best You Can Be' resource expanded to 79 schools (7,223 students) participating in the program, including nine outreach schools. COVID-19 restricted our face to face school visits, but we were able to implement and send each school several 'info bites' and online lessons to keep our schools involved.





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**SCHOOLS** 

Thank you to the St George District Rugby League Football Club representatives on the Dragons board Craig Young (St George District Rugby League

Football Club Chairman), Ralph Piggott (St George Leagues Club Chairman), Peter Doust and Peter Black as well as WIN Corporation's board representatives Andrew







Gordon (WIN Corporation Executive Chairman), Andrew Lancaster (WIN Corporation CEO), Craig Osborne and Graeme Gulloch (Illawarra Steelers Chairman) for their faith in appointing me earlier in the year and their continued support throughout the season.

I would also like to thank the incredible staff of the Dragons who have been so open and helpful as I have settled into this role. I am looking forward to great things in the future for our Dragons.

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## **2020 NRL SEASON REVIEW REPORT**

#### **Ben Haran**

St George Illawarra's hopes for an improved 2020 season following our incredibly disappointing and unacceptable campaign the year prior was the club's driving force upon pre-season commencing in November of last year.

Our 15th place finish in 2019 was the worst in the joint venture's history and was cause for plenty of hard work over the summer months leading into the 2020 competition proper.

The signs were positive early - making it all the way to the final of the Perth Nines was a testament to this although injuries to Cameron McInnes, Korbin Sims, Matt Dufty and tournament breakout star Cody Ramsey hurt.

Sadly our Nines success didn't translate into success in the opening rounds of the NRL season just a few weeks. Our first two rounds against the Wests Tigers and Penrith Panthers were there for the taking but like many games the year prior we failed to play out the entire 80.

The Covid-19 pandemic caused the competition to be postponed in late March, mere days after our loss to the Panthers.

While this worldwide issue provided so much uncertainty around not only rugby league but life in general, we tried to make it as positive a period as humanly possible for the players. We stayed connected daily as a squad and club and put ourselves in a good position to make amends for our slow start.

With the competition restart came on May 28 after a few short weeks of training, so too did our losing streak following defeats to the Warriors and Bulldogs in Rounds 3 and 4. Our breakthrough win came in Round 5 against the Sharks and was promptly backed up the week following against the Titans.

Inconsistency was unfortunately the key ingredient for the Dragons again in 2020, both on and off the field. The club released Issac Luke, James Graham and Tim Lafai from their Dragons playing contracts while Jack de Belin's ongoing court matter ruled him out for another season. Ongoing injury concerns for Tariq Sims, Korbin Sims, Jacob Host and Trent Merrin, on top of numerous suspensions handed down on Paul Vaughan and Jordan Pereira didn't help.

A 4-9 record over the first 13 rounds saw the club and head coach

Paul McGregor cut ties. Paul's 25-year association our club and the joint venture's founding club in the Illawarra Steelers could never be questioned, nor his passion and strong work ethic over his seven years as head coach of the Dragons.

'Mary's' tenure as coach would finish in a fashion fitting for a club legend though, with the team pulling together a toughly-fought 14-12 win over competition heavyweights, Parramatta Eels.

Assistant coach Dean Young took the reins for the final six games of the year, winning twice, to finish the year at 12th. While 2020 saw a better final standing, it was marginal at best and still very much unacceptable for a proud club such as the Dragons.

We were forced to use 31 players throughout our entire campaign, but even then our entire squad should be congratulated for their commitment throughout 2020.

The Jersey Flegg and Canterbury Cup NSW competitions were key exclusions from the rugby league calendar this year, meaning those not picked for first grade went an entire season without playing a game. Despite this, our wider squad members turned up to training each and every session and went about their business in a professional and diligent matter.

Among the 31 players who featured at NRL level were first grade debutants Adam Clune (Round 4), Cody Ramsey (Round 18), Max Feagai (Round 19), Eddie Blacker and Jayden Sullivan (both Round 20). They must all be congratulated for living out their dreams as they continue their development and evolution as first grade

Congratulations to those who achieved milestones throughout the season: Ben Hunt (250 NRL games, 50 Dragons games), Corey Norman (200 NRL games), Tyson Frizell (150 Dragons games), James Graham (50 Dragons games), Matt Dufty, Jacob Host and Blake Lawrie (all 50 Dragons/NRL games).

Cameron McInnes was yet again a worthy Dragons Medallist and Red V Members Player of the Year recipient for a second-straight season. In his first full year as captain of the Dragons, Cam was for the most part forced to play out of position at lock but took his team-first, never-say-die attitude to new levels in 2020. Congratulations also to Tyson Frizell and Adam Clune who won the Immortals Trophy and Geoff Selby Memorial NRL Coach's Award respectively.

Congratulations to Tyson Frizell and Ben Hunt for once again playing State of Origin for their respective states as well as Zac Lomax, Cameron McInnes and Josh Kerr for their selection in the wider Origin squads. Kerr and Tyrell Fuimaono were also proud representatives of the Indigenous All Stars earlier in 2020.

The end of our 2020 campaign signalled a lot of change for the club. From a player perspective we bid farewell to Tyson Frizell, Euan Aitken, Jacob Host, Tristan Sailor, Joe Lovodua, Korbin Sims and Jason Saab while plenty of staff from a football perspective



also departed. We thank them all for the commitment to the Dragons and wish them well in their future endeavours.

I was formally named general manager of football in November after 11 years at the club. It is a huge honour to be named in this role and one I don't take lightly. I look forward to overseeing new coach Anthony Griffin and the wider football department into 2021 and onwards.

2021 is going to be a big year at the Dragons due to the host changes we have undertaken. There's a lot of things to be excited about as a club as a whole.

Anthony is a great appointment for us as a club; his experience and understanding of what it takes to bring young players through is undeniable. He, alongside assistant coaches Peter Gentle and Matt Elliott, already have a clear direction for the team and football department in place.

Mat Head and Shaun Timmins will also be responsible for the junior player recruitment. Shaun will also act in a pathways athletic development role while Mat will coach our new Dragons Academy initiative.

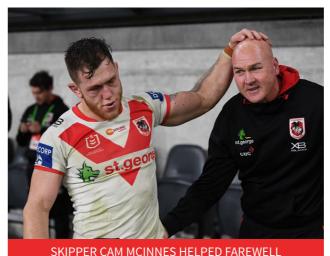
Both Tony Guilfoyle and Dan Lawson will assume the responsibility of the Dragons' athletic performance program in 2021. Tony has a great history working alongside Anthony Griffin at the Panthers and Broncos and will be our physical performance manager. Alongside him will be current New South Wales Origin lead physiotherapist Dan Lawson as our medical performance manager.

Ian Millward's focus will remain solely on NRL recruitment moving forward, while other key appointments include Elliot Jackson (strength and conditioning) and Cody Parsons (sports science). Physiotherapist Davis Theobald remains at the club. On a final note, I wish to thank CEO Ryan Webb and chairman Andrew Gordon as well as the entire board and management. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Thank you to the families and partners of the players and staff. The heavy commitment of our time, travel and engagements can take its toll. Your sacrifice never goes unnoticed and is always appreciated.

I would also like to pass on my sincere thanks to our corporate partners and 15,000-plus Red V members for their ongoing support. With there being so much uncertainty around our great game in 2020, your unwavering commitment to the Red V never went unnoticed.

We look forwarding to seeing you back at games in 2021.



PAUL MCGREGOR IN STYLE

| ROUND | DATE    | OPPONENT             | VENUE                              | RESULT     |
|-------|---------|----------------------|------------------------------------|------------|
| 1     | Mar 15  | Wests Tigers         | WIN Stadium                        | Lost 14-24 |
| 2     | Mar 20  | Panthers             | Netstrata Jubilee Stadium          | Lost 28-32 |
| 3     | May 30  | Warriors             | Central Coast Stadium              | Lost 0-18  |
| 4     | June 8  | Bulldogs             | Bankwest Stadium                   | Lost 2-22  |
| 5     | June 14 | Sharks               | Campbelltown Stadium               | Won 30-16  |
| 6     | June 20 | Titans               | Suncorp Stadium                    | Won 20-8   |
| 7     | June 26 | Roosters             | Bankwest Stadium                   | Lost 12-26 |
| 8     | July 3  | Raiders              | GIO Stadium                        | Lost 16-22 |
| 9     | July 12 | Sea Eagles           | Netstrata Jubilee Stadium          | Won 34-4   |
| 10    | July 18 | Bulldogs             | WIN Stadium                        | Won 28-22  |
| 11    | July 25 | Sharks               | Netstrata Jubilee Stadium          | Lost 28-24 |
| 12    | July 30 | Rabbitohs            | Netstrata Jubilee Stadium          | Lost 24-32 |
| 13    | Aug 6   | Roosters             | WIN Stadium                        | Lost 24-16 |
| 14    | Aug 14  | Eels                 | Bankwest Stadium                   | Won 14-12  |
| 15    | Aug 21  | Broncos              | Suncorp Stadium                    | Won 28-24  |
| 16    | Aug 28  | Titans               | Netstrata Jubilee Stadium          | Lost 10-14 |
| 17    | Sept 6  | Cowboys              | Queensland Country<br>Bank Stadium | Lost 22-23 |
| 18    | Sept 12 | Raiders              | WIN Stadium                        | Lost 8-37  |
| 19    | Sept 20 | Knights              | McDonald Jones Stadium             | Lost 18-42 |
| 20    | Sept 27 | Storm                | Netstrata Jubilee Stadium          | Won 30-22  |
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#### PLAYED 20, WON 7, LOST 13, FOR 378, AGAINST 452 | FINISHED: 12TH

#### PLAYER RECORDS

| PLAYER           | APPS | T  | G  | FG | PTS |
|------------------|------|----|----|----|-----|
| Euan Aitken      | 17   | 4  | -  | -  | 16  |
| Eddie Blacker    | 1    | -  | -  | -  | -   |
| Billy Brittain   | 5    | -  | -  | -  | -   |
| Adam Clune       | 15   | -  | -  | -  | -   |
| Matt Dufty       | 18   | 13 | -  | -  | 52  |
| Kaide Ellis      | 8    | -  | -  | -  | -   |
| Max Feagai       | 2    | -  | -  | -  | -   |
| Jackson Ford     | 12   | -  | -  | -  | -   |
| Tyson Frizell    | 20   | 3  | -  | -  | 12  |
| Tyrell Fuimaono  | 17   | 1  | -  | -  | 4   |
| James Graham     | 6    | -  | -  | -  | -   |
| Jacob Host       | 10   | 2  | -  | -  | 8   |
| Ben Hunt         | 19   | 1  | -  | -  | 4   |
| Josh Kerr        | 20   | 2  | -  | -  | 8   |
| Tim Lafai        | 2    | -  | -  | -  | -   |
| Blake Lawrie     | 20   | -  | -  | -  | -   |
| Zac Lomax        | 20   | 13 | 63 | -  | 178 |
| Issac Luke       | 3    | -  | -  | -  | -   |
| Cameron McInnes  | 18   | 1  | -  | -  | 4   |
| Trent Merrin     | 12   | -  | -  | -  | -   |
| Corey Norman     | 18   | 5  | -  | -  | 20  |
| Jordan Pereira   | 15   | 1  | -  | -  | 4   |
| Cody Ramsey      | 3    | 2  | -  | -  | 8   |
| Mikaele Ravalawa | 16   | 13 | -  | -  | 52  |
| Jason Saab       | 4    | 1  | -  | -  | 4   |
| Tristan Sailor   | 2    | -  | -  | -  | -   |
| Korbin Sims      | 5    | -  | -  | -  | -   |
| Tariq Sims       | 9    | -  | -  | -  | -   |
| Jayden Sullivan  | 1    | -  | -  | -  | -   |
| Paul Vaughan     | 15   | -  | -  | -  | -   |
| Brayden Wiliame  | 5    | 1  | -  | -  | 4   |



## **SEASON REVIEW**

#### **Daniel Lacey**

The 2020 season started with a bang and ended in bitter disappointment but there will be plenty of learnings to take out of the year as a whole.

Our Women's Premiership campaign began earlier than usual in 2020 when the squad headed to Perth for the inaugural NRLW Nines. This squad included 13 girls from our 2019 Women's Premiership grand final team.

A win against the New Zealand Warriors in the round robin period of the Nines was enough to see us through to the grand final against our arch-rivals, the Brisbane Broncos. It was an absolute pleasure to blow the Broncos off the park to the tune of an 28-4 victory.

The only negative from the amazing weekend was the season-ending anterior cruciate injury to inaugural player Holli Wheeler.

Uncertainty quickly reigned in the ensuing months as the Covid-19 pandemic hit everyone hard. The Women's Premiership was not immune to the adverse worldwide consequences.

Yet from the get-go, the Dragons were at the forefront with their commitment to the women's game. For that I must thank club CFO Jamie Barrington and new CEO Ryan Webb for their undying assurance that a Dragons team would enter the 2020 competition as well as the NRL for pulling the season together

under difficult circumstances. While there were plenty of Covid-19related protocol hurdles to overcome in preparation for the season, there were plenty of positives as far as our 2020 Women's Premiership squad was concerned.

Internationals Isabelle Kelly and Steph Hancock joined the Dragons from the Sydney Roosters and Brisbane Broncos respectively while our inaugural skipper Sam Bremner returned from a maternity break following the birth of her son, Reef.

Elsie Albert also became the first Papua New Guinean native to make her NRLW debut for the Dragons in 2020 while Jaime Chapman made the successful jump up from our development player squad. All up, 10 players returned from our 2019 campaign.

Sadly for our formidable NRLW squad this year, a disrupted preparation and heavy injury toll quickly became apparent. 2020 was the first season that the Dragons were forced to use all 22 squad members – to the point where we only played with 16 girls in our final game against the Warriors.

Three losses and a fourth place finish was never anticipated in 2020 but there were positives in blooding the likes of Talei Holmes, Jaime Chapman, Teagan Berry, Christine Pauli, Georgia Page, Elsie Albert, Ellie Johnston and Jade Etherden into the NRLW arena.

Shaylee Bent was a deserving Dragons Medallist for the season 2020 - despite her final game suspension – and duly earned New South Wales State of Origin selection alongside Kezie Apps, Isabelle Kelly, Tiana Penitani and Jessica Sergis. Although Steph Hancock's Queensland Origin side came away with the chocolates, it proved a fantastic opportunity for all of our Dragons involved.

Shout out to Keeley Davis too. Not only for winning my Coach's Award in 2020 but for her efforts throughout the year. Only a back complaint prevented her from joining all of her Dragons teammates in the Origin arena.

I'd also like to say a big thanks to our pathways manager Steve Nielsen, who put countless hours into make everybody feel the passion he does for our club. I'm indebted to my loyal staff that put the team first and left no stone unturned. In 2020 this included assistant coaches Alicia-Kate Hawke,



**CO-CAPTAIN KEZIE APPS** 

Mat Head and Andy Patmore. Our club is blessed to have amazing sponsors who stand beside our girls through thick and thin. Many thanks to St.George Bank, TripADeal, Modus Projects, X-Blades, Westfund and CBC.

Thank you once again to our loyal 2020 Red V members who signed up despite there being so much uncertainty around attending games and the inability to host any events.

From a personal note, I was honoured to be appointed the Dragons' Women's Premiership coach for a third season. With a very strong junior base, a professional environment, dedicated sponsors and fans, improvement for the upcoming seasons is inevitable.

Finally, there is plenty to look forward to in 2021 – a World Cup year for the women's game. With the possibility of more NRLW rounds to come, the Dragons are well placed with five female teams on the books: two Under-18s Tarsha Gale teams, two Under-16s Lisa Fiaola teams and a Women's Premiership team.

Brian's vision of where the club wants to take the women's game in our catchment area is second to none. With his support, the growth of the women's game is definitely headed in the right direction.

#### **NRLW DRAGONS 2020**

| RND | DATE   | OPPONENT             | VENUE                 | RESULT | SCORE |
|-----|--------|----------------------|-----------------------|--------|-------|
| 1   | Oct 3  | Sydney Roosters      | GIO Stadium, Canberra | L      | 4-18  |
| 2   | Oct 10 | Brisbane Broncos     | Bankwest Stadium      | L      | 4-18  |
| 3   | Oct 17 | New Zealand Warriors | ANZ Stadium           | L      | 10-22 |

| PLAYER                       | APPS | T | G | FG | PTS |
|------------------------------|------|---|---|----|-----|
| Elsie Albert                 | 3    | - | - | -  | -   |
| Kezie Apps                   | 2    | - | - | -  | -   |
| Shaylee Bent                 | 2    | - | - | -  | -   |
| Teagan Berry                 | 1    | 1 | 1 | -  | 6   |
| Sam Bremner                  | 3    | - | - | -  | -   |
| Jaime Chapman                | 3    | - | - | -  | -   |
| Keeley Davis                 | 3    | - | - | -  | -   |
| Jade Etherden                | 1    | - | - | -  | -   |
| Aaliyah Fasavalu-Fa'amausili | 3    | 1 | - | -  | 4   |
| Steph Hancock                | 3    | - | - | -  | -   |
| Talei Holmes                 | 3    | - | - | -  | -   |
| Rikeya Horne                 | 1    | - | - | -  | -   |
| Ellie Johnston               | 3    | - | - | -  | -   |
| Isabelle Kelly               | 2    | - | - | -  | -   |
| Mahalia Murphy               | 3    | - | - | -  | -   |
| Georgia Page                 | 2    | - | - | -  | -   |
| Christine Pauli              | 3    | - | - | -  | -   |
| Tiana Penitani               | 2    | 1 | - | -  | 4   |
| Jessica Sergis               | 3    | 1 | - | -  | 4   |
| Maddie Studdon               | 2    | - | - | -  | -   |
| Shakiah Tungai               | 1    | - | - | -  | -   |
| Maddison Weatherall          | 1    | - | _ | -  | -   |





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## 2020 **OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS**

#### **REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS NEW SOUTH WALES STATE OF ORIGIN**

Kezie Apps Shaylee Bent Tyson Frizell Isabelle Kelly Tiana Penitani Jessica Sergis

#### **QUEENSLAND STATE OF ORIGIN**

Steph Hancock Ben Hunt

#### **INDIGENOUS ALL STARS**

Shaylee Bent Tyrell Fuimaono Josh Kerr Shakiah Tungai

#### **MAORI ALL STARS**

Issac Luke Maddison Weatherall

## **MILESTONES**

**250 NRL CAREER GAMES** Ben Hunt

#### **200 NRL CAREER GAMES**

Corey Norman

#### **150 DRAGONS GAMES**

Tyson Frizell

#### **50 DRAGONS GAMES**

Ben Hunt James Graham

#### **50 DRAGONS/NRL GAMES**

Matt Dufy Jacob Host Blake Lawrie

#### **NRL DEBUTS**

Adam Clune (Round 4) Cody Ramsey (Round 18) Max Feagai (Round 19) Eddie Blacker (Round 20) Jayden Sullivan (Round 20)

#### **CLUB DEBUTS**

Billy Brittain (Round 1) Tyrell Fuimaono (Round 1) Issac Luke (Round 1) Brayden Wiliame (Round 1) Kaide Ellis (Round 13)

#### **PLAYER AWARDS**

DRAGONS MEDAL NRL PLAYER OF THE

Cameron McInnes

#### **IMMORTALS TROPHY**

Tyson Frizell

#### **GEOFF SELBY MEMORIAL NRL**

**COACH'S AWARD** 

Adam Clune

#### **RED V MEMBERS PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

Cameron McInnes

#### MARK COYNE CAREER DEVELOPMENT AWARD

Tristan Sailor

#### **DRAGONS NRL HOLDEN WOMEN'S** PREMIERSHIP PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Shaylee Bent

#### **NRL HOLDEN WOMEN'S PREMIERSHIP COACH'S AWARD**

**Keeley Davis** 

#### **RLPA PLAYERS DREAM TEAM**

Cameron McInnes



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## **PATHWAYS REPORT**

#### Ian Millward and **Steve Nielsen**

The St George Illawarra junior representative teams in 2020 saw their competitions cut short due to Covid-19 with the two premiership teams from 2019 once again faring well prior to the shutdown.

Our SG Ball Under-18s Illawarra Steelers - once again coached by Ben Linde and Adam Blake – were on the way to securing a repeat of their 2019 success, however this was not to be. A number of players from this team have been selected to train full-time with the NRL squad in the upcoming 2021 season.

The Under-18s Tarsha Gale Cup Steelers coached by Daniel Lacey and Alicia-Kate Hawke were also on track to repeat their previous season's success with an undefeated run going into the last few weeks of the competition. Unfortunately their competition was also cancelled due to Covid-19.

Teagan Berry was rewarded for her outstanding season with selection into the Dragons' NRL Women's squad, scoring a try and kicking a goal in her debut game.

The St George Tarsha Gale Cup team were also on track to feature in the finals while the other three junior teams would have failed to qualify if their season had continued.

No Player of the Year or Coach's Awards were presented this season.

With Covid-19 lingering until near the completion of the season, the St George Illawarra high performance unit (HPU) squad sessions were conducted online with Shaun Timmins and Ryan Bailey contributing to the selected players' conditioning and gym programs. The squad consisted of elite junior players from the St George and Illawarra Harold Matthews and SG Ball teams.

The HPU program has been a longstanding testament to the Dragons as a development club, given half of the current NRL full-time squad have taken part in both the HPU and junior representative programs. Three recent graduates of the HPU program in Jayden Sullivan, Cody Ramsey and Max Feagai were rewarded with their NRL debuts in 2020 - congratulations to these three individuals for this achievement.

Former Dragon, New South Wales and Australia representative Shaun Timmins continued in his role of Pathways Recruitment Manager in 2020, with the HPU program one of his many responsibilities.

A huge thanks to former Dragons Head of Athletic Performance Nathan Pickworth and his staff for their contribution to our junior representative program in 2020. Nathan and his team have bought into the physical and mental development of our juniors which has been very beneficial for these aspiring first grade players.

We must also send our thanks to former Dragons' Athletic Development coach Ryan Bailey. In his third year, Ryan's focus on the strength and conditioning development of our juniors started to pay dividends given the vast number of players who have stepped up their football under his tutelage.





We look forward to the future of the high performance unit under a fresh and exciting new approach – the Dragons Academy - in 2021.

The Dragons' focus, as a nuclearmodelled club, remains firmly on our local juniors. The proof is in the pudding when it comes to our 2020 development player squad.

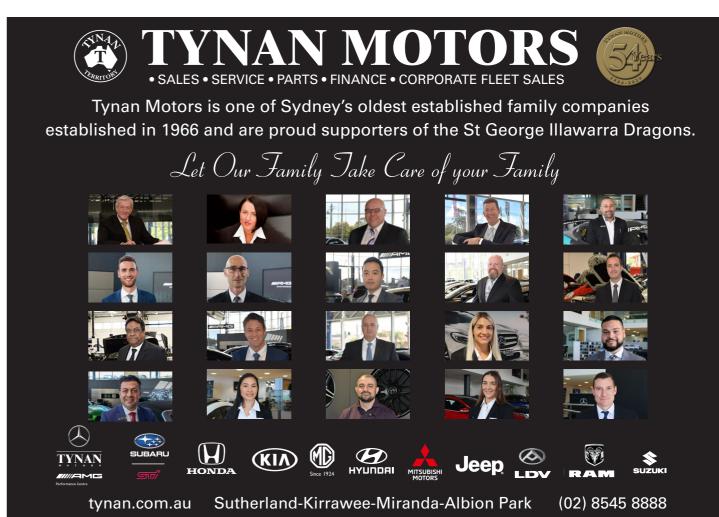
Now in its third season as a concept, the development player squad – while sitting outside of the Dragons' Top 30 train and participate in the same duties as the full-time NRL squad. In 2021, the Dragons will fill the maximum quota with players who have come through our junior representative pathway programs.

We cannot forget the contribution that Under-20s coach Willie Talau and the Jersey Flegg team plays in the club's pathway. Unfortunately, following four months of pre-season training their competition was cancelled after their Round 1 success against the Wests

All of our junior representative programs are supported by coaches, trainers, managers and support staff who work tirelessly throughout the year to ensure the young players in their respective areas are given the best opportunity to succeed. Their commitment to the players' success is second to none and we thank them again for their fantastic efforts.

We wish to also thank the St George Illawarra board for their continued support of the club's junior development pathways and programs. We look forward to seeing what the 2021 season brings.











## APPAREL PARTNERS













## **ICON PARTNERS**





















## **EXECUTIVE PARTNERS**









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St George Leagues Club





### **APPAREL PARTNERS**



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Beverage

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## 2020 BUSINESS PARTNER DIRECTORY LISTING

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Coca-Cola Amatil

Aust) Pty Ltd

#### **NRL MAJOR PARTNER** St George Bank **JERSEY PARTNERS**

Deicorp

**Modus Projects** 

Tripadeal

Westfund Health Insurance **SHORTS PARTNERS** Paul's Customs

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## **2020 BUSINESS PARTNER DIRECTORY LISTING**

| <b>2020 BUSI</b>                                   | NESS PA                       | 4K   14                      |
|--|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| D & M Auto Repair                                  | Mechanical                    | 4274 1029                    |
| Dallas Mining Services                             | Mining                        | 0407 283 510                 |
| Dapto Citizens Bowling Club                        | Club                          | 4261 1344                    |
| Deicorp  | Apartments                    | 8665 4100                    |
| Destination Wollongong Dincel Construction Systems | Tourism<br>Building Supplies  | 1800 240 737<br>1300 346 235 |
| D&J Indoor Plant Hire                              | Nursery                       | 0408 384 243                 |
| Dynamic Projects                                   | Construction                  | 9616 2900                    |
| EFEX   | I.T                           | 1300 376 347                 |
| Fairfax Community                                  | Media                         | 9588 8888                    |
| Newspapers (Leader)                                |                               |                              |
| Falcam   | Personal                      | 1000 7100                    |
| Fenner Dunlop<br>Fergusons Toyota                  | Conveyers<br>Automotive       | 4239 7100<br>9740 1310       |
| Floormania   | Flooring                      | 1300 964 879                 |
| Forma Projects                                     | Construction                  | 0419 122 495                 |
| Fuji Xerox   | Printers & IT                 | 8116 3601                    |
| Garrick Herbert                                    | Manufacturer                  | 9545 6633                    |
| Gym Solutions                                      | Fitness Equipment             | 9008 1481                    |
| Harvey Norman Commercial                           | Commercial                    | 9710 4155                    |
| Holcim Concrete (Australia) Pty Ltd (Unanderra)    | Building                      | 4271 5445                    |
| Holcim (Australia)                                 | Building                      | 4256 7233                    |
| Pty Ltd (Albion Park)                              | 24.14.1.18                    | .200 . 200                   |
| Icons of Sport                                     | Memorabilia                   | 9648 1444                    |
| Illawarra Business Chamber                         | <b>Business Chambers</b>      | 4229 4722                    |
| Illawarra Hino                                     | Trucks/Automotive             | 4256 7190                    |
| Illawarra Mercury                                  | Media                         | 4221 2333                    |
| Inter-Chillers Air                                 | Conditioning & Refrigeration  | 9584 1454                    |
| Kells the Lawyers                                  | Legal                         | 4221 9311                    |
| Kingsgrove Sports Centre                           | Sports Equipment              | 9502 4533                    |
| Lee Legal Group                                    | Legal                         | 9527 7522                    |
| Limes Dry Cleaning                                 | Dry Cleaners                  | 9909 2269                    |
| Lluis Shoes & Co.                                  | Retail                        | 0412 060 988                 |
| Lou McGuigan                                       | Personal<br>Pharmacies        | 01527242                     |
| Lugarno Pharmacy<br>Martin Newman                  | Personal                      | 9153 7343                    |
| MacDonald Customs                                  | Freight                       | 9526 5515                    |
| McGrath Mazda                                      | Automotive                    | 8536 9400                    |
| Metro Mix  | Concrete                      | 9849 7400                    |
| Morphett & Co.                                     | Accounting                    | 4871 3970                    |
| My Muscle Chef                                     | Nutrition                     | 1300 364 993                 |
| Nikolovski Lawyers<br>Novotel Northbeach           | Legal<br>Hotels               | 4227 6833<br>4224 3115       |
| Nutrition Station                                  | Catering                      | 1300 599 626                 |
| O'Connor First National Real Estate                | Real Estate                   | 4226 6055                    |
| Olds Park Sports Club                              | Sports Club                   | 9153 7756                    |
| Peter McGrath                                      | Personal                      |                              |
| Print Media  | Printing                      | 4225 7475                    |
| Professionals Padstow QMS Sport                    | Real Estate<br>Marketing      | 9771 4555<br>9939 3264       |
| CM3 Short  | and Media Signage             | 9939 3204                    |
| Reward Distribution Hospitality                    | Suppliers                     | 8717 6600                    |
| S.E.C Plating Pty Ltd                              | Electroplating                | 9750 8011                    |
| Scent Washroom Services Pty Ltd                    | Hygiene Services              | 1300 668 418                 |
| Smile Design Orthodontics                          | Orthodontic                   | 9541 8111                    |
| Sneaky Burger Southside Security & Investigation   | Restaurant                    | 4205 2956<br>9587 1022       |
| Southern Youth &                                   | Security Incorporated Charity | 4229 0739                    |
| Family Services Association                        | incorporated charity          | 7223 0133                    |
| St George Cranes                                   | Crane Hire                    | 9570 7789                    |
| St Johns Park Bowling Club                         | Clubs                         | 9610 3666                    |
| Stabilised Pavements of                            | Stabilisation                 | 9526 1066                    |
| Road Australia Pty Ltd                             | Contractor                    | C004 7711                    |
| Steel Supplies Dubbo<br>Stonemasons                | Steel Supplies                | 6884 7711<br>0416 851 940    |
| & Landscapers since 1970                           | Landscaping                   | 0410 031 940                 |
| Taouk Excavations                                  | Excavation                    |                              |
| Taro Distributors                                  | Automotive                    | 9774 3011                    |
| The Academy Brand Pty Ltd                          | Clothing & Footwear           | 9327 3011                    |
| Touleng Services                                   | Engineering                   | 4284 6534                    |
| Traffic Logistics                                  | Traffic Management            | 4229 7000                    |

Mortgage Broker

1300 787 424

| Turner Bros Furnishings                 | Commercial Curtains    | 8594 0700    |
|---|------------------------|--------------|
| & Specialty Blinds                      |                        |              |
| Tyrepower NSW                           | Automotive             | 8373 2321    |
| Warren Saunders                         | Insurance              | 9587 3500    |
| Insurance Brokers                       |                        |              |
| Wesley Hospital                         | Hospital               | 8197 5800    |
| Wests Illawarra Leagues Club            | Club                   | 4271 1155    |
| Wisharts Paint Solutions                | Decoration/Painting    | 4272 1140    |
| Wollongong Diagnostics                  | Radiology              | 4226 1777    |
| Wymap                                   | Transport              | 9317 5722    |
| RED V CORPORATE PARTNERSHIP             |                        |              |
| Chas Sankey Fraser Optometrists         | Optometrist            | 07 4632 3166 |
| Dragons Supporters Club QLD Inc.        | Supporters Club        | 07 3403 0206 |
| Macdonald Customs                       | Customs & Quarantine   |              |
| Unity Bank                              | Credit Union           | 8263 3228    |
| Petkovski Transport                     | Transport              |              |
| NRL PLAYER PARTNERS                     |                        |              |
| Baytek Constructions                    | Building               | 1300 229 835 |
| CMG Audio Visual                        | Audio Visual           | 1300 814 568 |
| Dincel Construction Systems             | Building Supplies      | 1300 346 235 |
| Dynamic Projects                        | Building               | 9616 2900    |
| EFEX                                    | I.T                    | 1300 376 347 |
| Floormania                              | Flooring               | 9524 4999    |
| Illawarra Mercury                       | Media                  | 4221 2333    |
| Kingsgrove Sports Centre                | Sports Equipment       | 9502 4533    |
| Modus Projects                          | Facilites Management   |              |
| Nutrition Station                       | Nutrition              | 1300 364 993 |
| Pauls Customs &                         | Freight                | 9750 6277    |
| Forwarding Solutions                    |                        |              |
| Professionals Padstow                   | Real Estate            | 9771 4555    |
| Sports Master                           | Fitness                | 4283 4363    |
| Athletics International (SMAI)          |                        | 0410051040   |
| Stonemasons &                           | Landscaping            | 0416 851 940 |
| Landscapers since 1970                  | - I                    | 1000 007 000 |
| University of Wollongong                | Education              | 1300 367 869 |
| Trendline                               | Mortgage Broker        | 1300 787 424 |
| Wollongong Jetski                       | Retail                 | 4227 3818    |
| ST GEORGE JUNIOR LEAGUE PART            |                        | 0705 1555    |
| Addbuild Additions                      | Building               | 8765 1555    |
| Kogarah Council                         | Council                | 9330 9465    |
| ILLAWARRA JUNIOR LEAGUE PART            |                        | 4274 4122    |
| Coastwide Engineering COMMUNITY PARTNER | Industrial Engineering | 4214 4133    |
|   |                        |              |
| Bevelsie Family Trust                   |                        |              |









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## STAFF DIRECTORY

#### ST GEORGE ILLAWARRA **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Peter Black Peter Doust (from March) **Andrew Gordon** Graeme Gulloch Brian Johnston (until March) Andrew Lancaster Craig Osborne Ralph Piggott

#### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Brian Johnston (until March) Ryan Webb (from March)

#### **CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER**

**Jamie Barrington** 

#### GENERAL MANAGER OF FOOTBALL

Ben Haran

**Craig Young** 

#### MANAGERIAL AND OPERATIONAL STAFF **EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO CEO**

**Madison Grant** 

#### **DRAGONS COMMUNITY MANAGER**

Adam Bezzina

Kezie Apps Pamela Goodridge (from Feb)

#### **INCLUSION AND OUTREACH CONSULTANT**

**COMMUNITY AND DEVELOPMENT OFFICER** 

Paul Everill

#### NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT OFFICERS

Huw Ellis - Game development officer - Sydney Metro Pamela Goodridge - Game development officer - St George District (until Feb)

Matt O'Brien - Regional game development mgr -Southern NSW

Kyle Williams - Game development officer - Southern NSW (Northern Illawarra)

Brooke Smith - Game development officer - Southern NSW (Central Illawarra)

Tim Del Guzzo - Game development officer - Southern NSW (Eurobodalla /South Shoalhaven) Cheyanne Hatch - Game development officer

Southern NSW (South Illawarra/Shoalhaven)

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Jon Burt

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#### **EVENTS MANAGER**

Amy Lugg

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#### MEMBERSHIP AND TICKETING EXECUTIVE

Anna Barwell

#### MEMBERSHIP SERVICE AND RETENTION EXECUTIVE

Renee Pengilly (returned from maternity leave in February)

#### MEMBERSHIP AND CUSTOMER SERVICE EXECUTIVE

**Kate Calcott** Philip Phan

#### **COMMUNICATIONS AND MEDIA MANAGER**

Jack Brady

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James Coman

#### **DATA MANAGER**

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#### **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

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#### **DRAGONS FOOTBALL STAFF HEAD COACH**

Paul McGregor (until August) Dean Young (from August)

#### NRL ASSISTANT COACHES

Shane Flanagan James Shepherd Dean Young (until August)

#### **CANTERBURY CUP COACH**

**Mathew Head** 

#### JERSEY FLEGG COACH

Willie Talau

#### **NRL WOMEN'S PREMIERSHIP COACH**

Daniel Lacey

#### PERFORMANCE ANALYST

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Nathan Pickworth

#### **DIRECTOR OF RUGBY LEAGUE PATHWAYS AND LIST**

Ian Millward

#### PATHWAYS RECRUITMENT MANAGER

**Shaun Timmins** 

#### **HEAD OF STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING**

Adrian Jimenez

#### ATHLETIC DEVELOPMENT COACH

Ryan Bailey

#### PATHWAYS FOOTBALL MANAGER/NRLW FOOTBALL

Steve Nielser

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Dr Tom Carrigan Dr Stefan Frikson Dr John Deady

#### SPORTS SCIENCE AND CONDITIONING COORDINATOR

Billy Hulin

#### **HEAD PHYSIOTHERAPIST**

Steve Dean

#### NRL PHYSIOTHERAPIST

Dan Lawson **Davis Theobald** 

#### INTEGRITY UNIT OFFICER

**Craig Young** 

#### NRL GEAR STEWARD

Mick Lavorato

#### **FOOTBALL OPERATIONS ASSISTANT**

Darren Watt (from May)

#### **NRL DIETICIAN**

Cheyanne Hatch

#### **NRL MASSEUSE**

Diane Joyce

#### **EDUCATION AND WELLBEING** Scott Stewart

**Holly Scheeringa** 

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#### NRLW STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING

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#### NRLW PHYSIOTHERAPIST

Michael Baines **Claire Nicholls** 

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#### **OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY CONSULTANT**

Phil Driscoll

#### **CLUB CHAPLIN Rev Stephen Edwards**

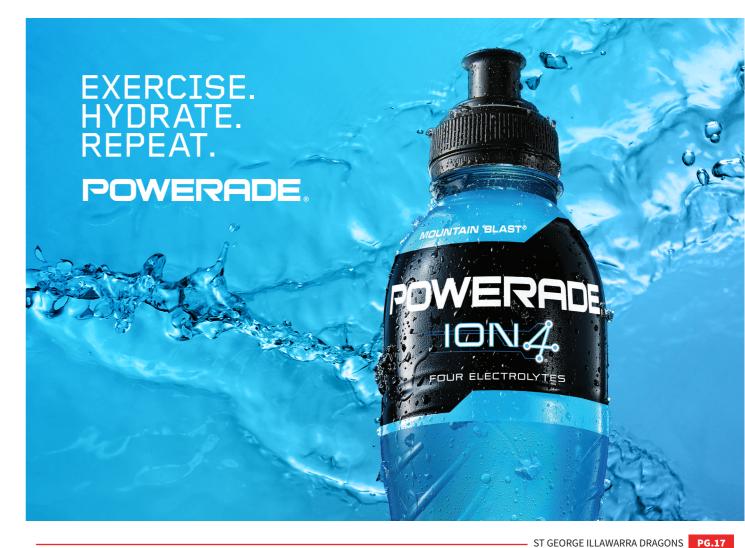
DOORMAN Peter Grant

#### **CLUB AMBASSADORS**

Kezie Apps Jason Nightingale **Shaun Timmins** 







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## **OUR PROUD HISTORY**

#### **CLUB RECORDS**

#### **ENTERED PREMIERSHIP**

St George Dragons: 1921-1998 Illawarra Steelers: 1982-1998

St George Illawarra Dragons: 1999-present NRL Women's Premiership: 2018

#### **NRL/FIRST GRADE PREMIERS**

St George Dragons (15) 1941, 1949, 1956-66, 1977, 1979 St George Illawarra Dragons (1) 2010

#### **NRL/FIRST GRADE RUNNERS-UP**

St George Dragons (13) 1927, 1930, 1933, 1937, 1942, 1946, 1953 1971, 1975, 1985, 1992-93, 1996

St George Illawarra Dragons (1) 1999

#### **NRL/FIRST GRADE MINOR PREMIERS**

St George Dragons (15) 1928, 1946, 1956-60, 1962-67, 1979, 1985 St George Illawarra Dragons (2) 2009-10

#### **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP**

St George Dragons (18) 1940, 1942, 1946, 1949, 1951, 1955-59, 1962-66, 1971, 1984-85

St George Illawarra Dragons 2009

#### **CUP TIES**

St George Dragons (2) 1944, 1959

#### **NIGHT FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS**

St George Dragons (1) 1933

#### **PRE-SEASON COMPETITION**

St George Dragons (4) 1963-65, 1971

Illawarra Steelers (1) 1992 Tooheys Challenge

#### **MID-WEEK COMPETITION**

St George Dragons (1) 1988 Panasonic Cup

#### PREMIER LEAGUE/RESERVE **GRADE PREMIERS**

St George Dragons (6) 1938, 1962-64, 1976, 1985 St George Illawarra Dragons (1) 2001

## Illawarra Cutters 2016

PREMIER LEAGUE/RESERVE

**GRADE RUNNERS-UP** St George Dragons (16) 1927, 1931, 1940-42, 1950-51, 1955, 1958-

59, 1965, 1971-73, 1978, 1984 St George Illawarra Dragons (2) 2002, 2004

#### **NRL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP**

Illawarra Cutters (1) 2016

#### **JERSEY FLEGG/THIRD GRADE PREMIERS**

St George Dragons (15) 1940, 1942, 1949, 1951, 1953, 1957, 1963, 1965-66, 1972, 1974, 1983, 1985, 1987,

Illawarra Steelers (1) 1984

St George Illawarra Dragons (1) 2005

#### **JERSEY FLEGG/THIRD GRADE RUNNERS-UP**

St George Dragons (10) 1930, 1943, 1958, 1964, 1971, 1978-79, 1984, 1990, 1992

St George Illawarra Dragons (1) 2002

#### **WORLD CLUB CHALLENGE**

St George Illawarra Dragons (1) 2011 **TEAM RECORDS** 

#### **BIGGEST WIN**

St George Dragons

91-6 v Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs, Earl Park, 11/5/1935 (Premiership record)

#### Illawarra Steelers

45-0 v Canberra Raiders, Wollongong Showground, 25/4/1982

St George Illawarra Dragons 54-0 v Auckland Warriors, WIN Stadium, 6/5/2000

#### **WORST DEFEAT**

St George Dragons

61-0 v Manly-Warringah Sea Eagles, Brookvale Oval, 3/7/1994

#### Illawarra Dragons

51-0 v Newtown Jets, Henson Park, 2/5/1982

#### St George Illawarra Dragons 70-10 v Melbourne Storm, MCG, 3/3/2000

**LONGEST WINNING STREAK** 

#### St George Dragons

12 matches: 6/9/1958 – 24/5/1959 Note: The St George Dragons went through the 1959 season undefeated, however they drew one game. During this period the Saints played an amazing 23 matches without a loss.

#### Illawarra Steelers

Four matches: 4/7/1993 – 25/7/1993 Four matches: 25/6/1997 -17/7/1997

#### St George Illawarra Dragons

Nine matches: 27/3/2011 - 29/5/2011

#### **LONGEST LOSING STREAK**

#### St George Dragons

Eight matches: 3/7/1926 - 28/8/1926

#### Illawarra Steelers

11 matches: 15/5/1988 - 7/8/1988

St George Illawarra Dragons Seven matches: 8/6/2015 - 25/07/2015

#### **LARGEST HOME CROWD**

St George Dragons Kogarah Oval: 23,582 v South Sydney Rabbitohs, 4/5/1975

#### Illawarra Steelers

Steelers Stadium: 17,527 v St George

#### Dragons, 21/5/1993 St George Illawarra Dragons

Sydney Football Stadium: 41,142 v Sydney Roosters, 25/4/2018 WIN Jubilee Oval, Kogarah: 20,847 v Cronulla-Sutherland Sharks, 29/3/2009 WIN Stadium, Wollongong: 19,608 v Cronulla-Sutherland Sharks, 10/9/2005

#### LARGEST GRAND FINAL CROWD

#### St George Dragons

Sydney Cricket Ground: 78,056 v South Sydney Rabbitohs, 18/9/1965

#### St George Illawarra Dragons

Stadium Australia: 107,999 v Melbourne Storm, 26/9/1999

#### MOST CONSECUTIVE GRAND FINAL WINS

#### St George Dragons

11: 1956-1966

Won three grades in one season

St George Dragons 1963

#### **UNDEFEATED PREMIERS**

St George Dragons 1959

#### **INDIVIDUAL RECORDS MOST TRIES IN A GAME**

#### St George Dragons

Jack Lindwall: 6 v Manly-Warringah Sea Eagles, Hurstville Oval, 3/5/1947

#### Illawarra Steelers

Alan McIndoe: 5 v Gold Coast Seagulls, Steelers Stadium, 4/5/1991

#### St George Illawarra Dragons

Matt Cooper: 4 v Penrith Panthers, WIN Stadium, 18/4/2004

Mark Gasnier: 4 v Wests Tigers, Oki Jubilee Stadium, 20/6/2004 Brett Morris: 4 v North Oueensland Cowboys, Dairy Farmers Stadium,

#### **MOST GOALS IN A MATCH**

#### St George Dragons

9/5/2009

Les Griffen: 15 v Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs, Earl Park, 11/5/1935

#### Illawarra Steelers

Rod Wishart: 10 v Parramatta Eels. Steelers Stadium, 16/7/1995

#### St George Illawarra Dragons

Amos Roberts: 9 v Auckland Warriors, WIN Stadium, 6/5/2000

Jamie Soward: 9 v Canberra Raiders, WIN Stadium, 8/7/2007

Gareth Widdop: 9 v Cronulla-Sutherland Sharks, Jubilee Oval, 31/5/2015; v Newcastle Knights, Jubilee Oval, 2/8/2015; v Gold Coast Titans, Clive Berghofer Stadium, 23/3/2018; v Melbourne Storm, Jubilee Stadium,

#### 6/5/2018 **MOST POINTS IN A MATCH**

#### St George Dragons

Les Griffen: 36 (2 tries, 15 goals) v Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs, Earl Park, 11/5/1935

Jack Lindwall: 36 (6 tries, 9 goals) v Manly-Warringah Sea Eagles, Hurstville Oval, 3/5/1947

#### Illawarra Steelers

Rod Wishart: 22 (1 try, 9 goals) v Western Suburbs Magpies, Steelers Stadium,

Rod Wishart: 22 (3 tries, 5 goals) v Newcastle Knights, Marathon Stadium, 4/8/1996

Rod Wishart: 22 (2 tries, 7 goals) v Penrith Panthers, Steelers Stadium, 25/8/1996 Rod Wishart: 22 (2 tries, 7 goals) v South

#### Sydney Rabbitohs, WIN Stadium, 9/3/1997 St George Illawarra Dragons

Amos Roberts: 22 (1 try, 9 goals) v Auckland Warriors, WIN Stadium, 6/5/2000

Jamie Soward: 22 (1 try, 9 goals) v Canberra Raiders, WIN Stadium, 8/7/2007 Gareth Widdop: 22 (1 try, 9 goals) v Newcastle Knights, Jubilee Oval, 2/9/2015 Gareth Widdop: 22 (2 tries, 7 goals) v Penrith Panthers, UOW Jubilee Oval, 4/3/2017

Gareth Widdop: 22 (1 try, 9 goals) v Gold

Coast Titans, Clive Berghofer, 23/3/2018

#### MOST TRIES IN A SEASON

St George Dragons Tommy Ryan: 26 in 1957

Illawarra Steelers Alan McIndoe: 19 in 1991

St George Illawarra Dragons Nathan Blacklock: 27 in 2001

#### MOST GOALS IN A SEASON

St George Dragons Harry Bath: 108 in 1958 Illawarra Steelers John Dorahy: 76 in 1983 St George Illawarra Dragons

#### Gareth Widdop: 94 in 2018 **MOST POINTS IN A SEASON**

#### St George Dragons

Harry Bath: 225 (3 tries, 108 goals) in 1958

#### Illawarra Steelers

Rod Wishart: 176 (11 tries, 66 goals) in

#### St George Illawarra Dragons

Jamie Soward: 234 (12 tries, 90 goals, 6 field goals) in 2009

#### **MOST TRIES IN CLUB HISTORY**

St George Dragons

Johnny King: 143 (1960-1971) Illawarra Steelers

Rod Wishart: 68 (1989-1998)

St George Illawarra Dragons Matt Cooper: 124 (2000-2013)

#### **MOST GOALS IN CLUB HISTORY**

#### St George Dragons

Graeme Langlands: 648 (1963-1976) Illawarra Steelers Rod Wishart: 386 (1989-1998)

#### St George Illawarra Dragons Jamie Soward: 398 (2007-2013)

## MOST POINTS IN CLUB HISTORY

St George Dragons Graeme Langlands: 1554 - 86 tries, 648 goals (1963-1976)

#### Illawarra Steelers

Rod Wishart: 1044 - 68 tries, 386 goals (1989-1998)

#### Jamie Soward: 977 - 39 tries, 398 goals, 25 field goals (2007-2013)

St George Illawarra Dragons

#### **MOST GRAND FINAL APPEARANCES**

St George Dragons Norm Provan: 11 (1953, 1956-1965)

#### INDIVIDUAL HONOURS

#### **AUSTRALIAN TEST CAPTAINS**

#### St George Dragons

Ken Kearney (1956) Reg Gasnier (1962-1967) Ian Walsh (1963-1966) Johnny Raper (1967) Phil Hawthorne (1970)

Graeme Langlands (1970-1974)

#### **WORLD CUP CAPTAINS**

#### St George Dragons

Johnny Raper (1968) Billy Smith (1970) Graeme Langlands (1972-1977)

#### **DALLY M MEDAL**

St George Dragons Michael Potter: 1991 St George Illawarra Dragons

## Trent Barrett: 2000

## St George Dragons

St George Illawarra Dragons

#### **CLUB HONOURS**

#### **TOP 10 FIRST GRADE/NRL APPEARANCES**

Matt Cooper: 243 Dean Young: 209 Mark Gasnier: 174 **Brett Morris: 169** Jason Ryles: 156 Trent Barrett: 154 Jack de Belin: 154

## Norm Provan: 256

Neil Piccinelli: 145 Brian Hetherington: 144

John Simon: 120

Combined Club

Ben Creagh: 270 Norm Provan: 256

Rod Reddy: 237 Billy Smith: 234

## Michael Beattie: 210

#### **AUSTRALIA** St George Dragons

**Tony Branson** Bob Bugden **George Carstairs** Brian 'Poppa' Clay Mark Coyne

Fred Gardner Snr 1933-34 1959-65, 67-68 Reg Gasnier Ted Goodwin 1972-73 **Scott Gourley** 1991 Johnny Hawke 1949, 51 Phil Hawthorne 1970 Jack Holland 1948-50 Pat Jarvis 1983 Alex 'Rick' Johnston 1921-22 **Brian Johnston** 1987 Arthur 'Snowy' Justice 1928-30 Ken Kearnev 1952-58 1966-68, 70

Percy Fairall

Wavne Fullerton-Smith

Johnny King 1955 Ross Kite Graeme Langlands 1963-75 Eddie Lumsden 1959-63 **Brad Mackay** 1990, 92-94 Matt McCoy 1949 Doug McRitchie 1948-50 Noel Mulligan 1951 Kevin O'Brien 1956-57 Michael O'Connor 1986

1956-57 Bryan Orrock 1948, 50-53 **Noel Pidding** Norm Provan 1954, 56-60 Graham Quinn 1980 Johnny Raper 1959-60, 62-68 Elton Rasmussen 1962, 67-68 Rod Reddy 1977-80, 82

1959-60

1968-70

2003-04

2016-18

2006

2001, 05-08

1978-82, 84

1980

John Rilev 1959-60 Ron Roberts 1949-50 **Steve Rogers** 1983 1963-64 Kevin Ryan Tommy Ryan 1952-53 Billy Smith 1964-68, 70 Ian Walsh 1962-66

#### Graeme Wynn **Craig Young**

John Wittenberg

Billy Wilson

Illawarra Steelers **Bob Lindner** 1993 Alan McIndoe 1988 Paul McGregor 1991-96 1991-96

#### **Rod Wishart** St George Illawarra

Luke Bailey

**Trent Barrett** 2000-02, 04 Nathan Blacklock 2001 Darius Boyd 2009-10 2004-06 Matt Cooper 2005, 11 Ben Creagh 2015-17

Josh Dugan Tyson Frizell Mark Gasnier Ben Hornby

2018 Ben Hunt Trent Merrin 2015 2009-14 **Brett Morris** Jason Ryles 2001-05 **Shaun Timmins** 1999-04

Paul Vaughan 2019 2010 Michael Weyman 2010 Dean Young

1921-22 1957, 59-60 1995-97

## **CLIVE CHURCHILL MEDAL**

## Brad Mackay: 1993

#### Darius Boyd: 2010

St George Illawarra Dragons Ben Hornby: 273 Ben Creagh: 270 Jason Nightingale: 266

St George Dragons Billy Smith: 234

Craig Young: 234 Graeme Langlands: 227 Michael Beattie: 210 Mark Coyne: 207 Ricky Walford: 207 Rod Reddy: 204

Barry Beath: 198 Graeme Wynn: 195

Illawarra Steelers Michael Bolt: 167

Brett Rodwell:156 Rod Wishart: 154

John Cross: 137 Alan McIndoe: 125 Paul McGregor: 124

David Walsh: 114

Ben Hornby: 273

Jason Nightingale: 266 Matt Cooper: 243

Craig Young: 234 Graeme Langlands: 227

#### INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

Wayne Bartrim 1995-96 Barry Beath 1971 1968,71 1959-60

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| 2020 SEASON REVIEW —           |          |   |              |
| NEW ZEALAND                    |          | NEW ZEALAND                                       |              |
| St George Dragons              |          | Maitua Feterika                                   | 2019         |
| Jason Donnelly                 | 1993     | Teuila Fotu-Moala                                 | 2019         |
| Illawarra Steelers             |          | Honey Hireme                                      | 2018         |
| Craig Smith                    | 1993     | Raecene McGregor 2018                             |              |
| St George Illawarra            | 2000     | _   |              |
| Leeson Ah Mau                  | 2018     | DRAGONS MEDAL                                     |              |
| Gerard Beale                   | 2014     | PLAYER OF THE YEA                                 | AR           |
| Nathan Fien                    |          | 1999: Jamie Ainscough                             |              |
|                                | 2009-12  | 2000: Trent Barrett                               |              |
| Jason Nightingale              | 2008-17  | 2001: Jason Ryles                                 |              |
| Russell Packer                 | 2017     | 2002: Shaun Timmins                               |              |
| Craig Smith                    | 1999-01  | 2003: Ben Hornby                                  |              |
| Jeremy Smith                   | 2009-10  | 2004: Mathew Head                                 |              |
| Chase Stanley                  | 2007     | 2005: Luke Bailey                                 |              |
| ENGLAND                        |          | 2006: Mark Gasnier and J                          | ason Ryles   |
| St George Illawarra            |          | 2007: Ben Creagh                                  | ,            |
| Mike Cooper                    | 2015-16  | 2008: Jason Ryles                                 |              |
| James Graham                   | 2018-19  | 2009: Ben Creagh                                  |              |
| Gareth Widdop                  | 2014-18  | 2010: Ben Creagh                                  |              |
|                                | 2014-10  | 2011: Jason Nightingale                           |              |
| GREAT BRITAIN                  |          | 2012: Brett Morris                                |              |
| Illawarra Steelers             |          | 2013: Trent Merrin                                |              |
| Andy Gregory                   | 1989     | 2014: Ben Creagh                                  |              |
| Steve Hampson                  | 1989     | 2014: Ben Creagn                                  |              |
| St George Illawarra            |          | 2016: Tyson Frizell                               |              |
| James Graham                   | 2019     | 2017: Gareth Widdop                               |              |
| Gareth Widdop                  | 2019     | 2017: Garetti Widdop<br>2018: Tariq Sims, Holi Wh | oolor        |
| ·                              | 2013     | 2019: Cameron McInnes,                            |              |
| FIJI                           |          | 2020: Cameron McInnes,                            |              |
| St George Illawarra            |          | 2020. Cameron McIllies,                           | Shaytee bent |
| Joe Lovodua                    | 2017-19  | LIFE MEMBERS                                      |              |
| Taane Milne                    | 2017     | (Please note * = deceased                         | 1)           |
| Eto Nabuli                     | 2015     | ST GEORGE DISTRICT                                |              |
| Mikaele Ravalawa               | 2019     |   | 1938         |
| Korbin Sims                    | 2019     | * Fusedale, RD<br>* Gilbert, H                    |              |
| Pio Sokobalavu                 | 2018     |   | 1938         |
| ITALY                          |          | * Hall, WJ  | 1938         |
| Ct. Co. co. c. Ill. co. co. c. |          | * McGraw, JW                                      | 1938         |
| St George Illawarra            |          | * Yager, AW                                       | 1938         |
| Paul Vaughan                   | 2017     | * Burt, JH  | 1939         |
| PAPUA NEW GUINEA               |          | * Moymow, AV                                      | 1941         |
| St George Illawarra            |          | * Killiby, T                                      | 1942         |
| Nene Macdonald                 | 2017-18  | * Brown, R  | 1944         |
| SAMOA                          |          | * Harding, W                                      | 1944         |
|                                |          | * Justice, AJ                                     | 1944         |
| St George Illawarra            |          | * Mogridge, JR                                    | 1947         |
| Leeson Ah Mau                  | 2013-17  | * Ross, D 1948                                    |              |
| Tim Lafai                      | 2016-18  | * Clarkson, A                                     | 1949         |
| Peter Mata'utia                | 2014     | * Sadlier, W                                      | 1951         |
| Lagi Setu                      | 2009     | * Fahy, CW  | 1952         |
| Kyle Stanley                   | 2014     | * Kelly, LT                                       | 1953         |
| Daniel Vidot                   | 2013     | * Wales, BP                                       | 1954         |
| SCOTLAND                       |          | * Tipping, N                                      | 1955         |
| St George Illawarra            |          | * O'Connor, R                                     | 1957         |
| Euan Aitken                    | 2016     | * McGrath, JF                                     | 1958         |
|                                | 2016     | * Proops, J                                       | 1960         |
| Daniel Heckenberg              | 2000     | * Summerell, W                                    | 1961         |
| TONGA                          |          | * Mackie, AI MBE                                  | 1962         |
| St George Illawarra            |          | * Maher, HC                                       | 1963         |
| Siliva Havili                  | 2017     | Provan, N   | 1963         |
|                                |          | * Brown, AG                                       | 1964         |
| WALES                          |          | * Facer, FH                                       | 1964         |
| St George Illawarra            |          | * Black, EH, OBE                                  | 1965         |
| Tyson Frizell                  | 2013     | * Price, G 1965                                   |              |
| DRAGONS WOMEN                  |          | * Dellow, LC                                      | 1966         |
| REPRESENTATIVE H               | IONOLIDE | * Flood, RS                                       | 1966         |
| NEFRESENTATIVE F               | CHOOKS   | * Clay, B 1967                                    | <del>-</del> |
| AUSTRALIA                      |          | * Ellwood, J                                      | 1968         |
| Kezie Apps                     | 2018     | Lumsden, E  | 1969         |
| Annette Brander                | 2018     | Raper, J, MBE                                     | 1971         |
| Shaylee Bent                   | 2019     | * Gardner, FH                                     | 1972         |
| Keeley Davis                   | 2018     | *Langlands, G, MBE                                | 1973         |
| Tiana Penitani                 | 2019     | Smith, W  | 1973         |
| Jessica Sergis                 | 2019     | Palmer, I   | 1973         |
| Hannah Southwell               | 2019     | Reath B   | 1976         |

| * Ryder, D                        | 1982         |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| * Stone, R                        | 1984         |
| Jansen, J                         | 1986         |
| Wynn, G                           | 1988         |
| Young, C                          | 1988         |
| * Gasnier, R                      | 1989         |
| Grant, J                          | 1989         |
| Johnston, B                       | 1990         |
| Beattie, M                        | 1990         |
| * Kearney, K                      | 1991         |
| * Robbins, A<br>* Doust, L        | 1991<br>1992 |
|                                   | 1992         |
| King, J<br>Starkey, B             | 1993         |
| Carroll, P                        | 1993         |
| * Lindwall, J                     | 1994         |
| * Kite, R                         | 1995         |
| * Kenyon, B                       | 1996         |
| Walford, R                        | 1996         |
| * McRitchie, D                    | 1997         |
| Coyne, M                          | 1998         |
| McClelland, D                     | 2000         |
| French, J                         | 2000         |
| Connelly, R                       | 2001         |
| Saunders, W                       | 2001         |
| Lockwood, W                       | 2002         |
| Kinna, D 2002                     |              |
| * Grosvenor, R                    | 2003         |
| Robinson, D                       | 2003         |
| * Lowrie, G                       | 2004         |
| Black, P                          | 2006         |
| *Ninness, M                       | 2007         |
| Mackay, B                         | 2009         |
| Crowe, C                          | 2010         |
| Books, C                          | 2010         |
| Ellis, G                          | 2011         |
| Howard, J (AC)                    | 2011<br>2012 |
| Armstrong, B                      | 2012         |
| Gasnier, J<br>Parkes, D           | 2015         |
| McCullough, G                     | 2015         |
| Spaul, B                          | 2010         |
| Doust, P                          | 2017         |
|                                   | 2013         |
| ILLAWARRA DISTRICT<br>Allan Barry |              |
| * John Cleary                     |              |
|                                   |              |

1976

1980

1981

1982

\* John Cleary Joe Davidson Bruce Gordon Richie Hetherington Neil Lovett Ian Kirk Brian Kurtz Shane McKellar Colin Markham **Bob Millward OAM** \* David Murphy Ian Neill Peter Newell OAM Ray Nicholson Sean O'Connor Jim Pearce \* Col Purcell OAM Tony Villa

#### **PLAYER LIFE MEMBERS**

**Trent Barrett** Ben Creagh Matt Cooper Ben Hornby Paul McGregor Jason Ryles **Shaun Timmins Rod Wishart** Dean Young



Hannah Southwell

Botille Vette-Welsh

Shakiah Tungai

Holli Wheeler

2018

2019

2019

2018-19

Beath, B

Reddy, R

\* Fleming, J

Summerell, W





# St. George Footy Grants

## Supporting thousands of Australians in keeping their footy dreams alive.

Following the success of the inaugural St.George Footy Grants program last year, St.George Bank has come together again with the St.George Illawarra Dragons and its other footy partners to help kick community footy back into action after what has been a challenging time for many.

When COVID-19 hit earlier this year, St.George Bank affirmed its commitment to footy amid an uncertain future for Australian sport, doubling funding for the program to a total of \$200,000, providing much-needed support to the grassroots footy community hit hard by the pandemic.

The response was overwhelming with 130 applications coming in from across New South Wales alone.

General Manager for St.George Bank, Ross Miller said the program supports the people and local clubs helping to keep grassroots footy growing.

"Players, volunteers and parents are such an integral part of our local footy club communities. This year has been especially challenging for many, which is why we doubled the grant funding available."

"Alongside our footy partners, we hope this support will help to alleviate some of the pressures local clubs are facing and continue to build stronger grassroots sporting communities."

Overall, the 2020 grant program will support over 50 clubs and 5,000 members to help keep community sport alive. From clubs to players, volunteers, referees, coaches and the broader football community, the St.George Footy Grants has gone a long way to helping rebuild clubs affected by bushfires, kick start new women's teams, relieve financial pressures for clubs due to COVID-19 and more.

To learn more about the St.George Footy grants program visit stgeorge.com.au/footygrants



Together with the Dragons St.George have helped clubs across Australia keep their footy dreams alive