

Premium Sporting Products

2017 BATTLEWIN PREMIER LEAGUE ROUND 16 (13 AUGUST)

FIRST GRADE SCORES

THE ENTRANCE	0	KILLARNEY DISTRICT	0
GOSFORD CITY	2	BERKELEY VALE	1
AVOCA	4	KINCUMBER	2
SOUTHERN-ETTALONG	3	TERRIGAL	0
TOUKLEY	2	EAST GOSFORD	2

SUMMARY

- Despite being held to a scoreless draw in their match against The Entrance, Killarney District has locked in its second successive Battlewin Premier League league championship courtesy of an injury-time goal by Gosford in their match against Berkeley Vale that snuffed out any chance of another team overhauling the Terriers.
- It's only Killarney's third league title since they first played in the top senior competition in 1972 but more significantly all three have been achieved within the past five seasons having won in 2013 and 2016 and all three with coach Chris Ackerley at the helm. The only slight disappointment this season is their failure to match their previous achievement of taking the title without losing a match having been beaten in rounds 6 and 8.
- The highly-professional Terriers outfit will now be fully focused on adding the 2017 premiership to their two previous grand final wins in 2003 and 2016. Unfortunately the cancellation of this season's Central Coast Cup means that they won't be able to match their 2016 'treble' although they will be contesting the FNSW Champion of Champions which kicks off on the 17th of September.
- With the battle for first and last places – and second-last not being relegated this season because of the 12-club Premier League competition in 2018 – the only remaining interest lies in the contest for the three remaining semi-finals spots. With their third straight win Avoca remains an outside chance of reaching the play-offs for the first time although they'll need to win both of their remaining matches, including over Berkeley Vale in the final round, and have other matches go their way.
- With a brace against Toukley, East Gosford's Rob Walton has opened up a two goal margin at the top of the Battlewin Golden Boot race for the season's leading goal scorer. Southern's James Caban moved into second place on 16 goals with his third hat-trick of the season while both Daniel Rodger (15) and Josh Swadling (14) played in the scoreless draw between Killarney and The Entrance.
- Umina Eagles have been crowned SeaFM Womens League league champions with an impressive 4-1 away win over Woongarah Wildcats notching up their 15th win in 18 matches for the 2017 season.

GOSFORD CITY 2 BERKELEY VALE 1

- Jared McNee's 91st minute strike is likely to be the most important of the season for Gosford City. Without his winner against Berkeley Vale the Dragons would have dropped to fourth place, as it was they move ahead of the Wombats and into second spot, albeit on the narrowest of goal difference margins. It was a gutsy effort by Gosford having played for the last 48 minutes of the match with 10 men after losing Stephen Gibbs for a last-man tackle just four minutes after Adam Woodbine had given his team a well-deserved 1-0 lead in the 38th minute.
- Berkeley Vale equalised within minutes of the resumption with Troy Mumford scoring from a goal mouth scramble but, although they used their numerical advantage well they were unable to convert a number of scoring opportunities into goals leaving McNee's last gasp volley to snatch a crucial win for his team.
- Both teams will be at home for their remaining two matches with Gosford taking on Terrigal and Kincumber and Berkeley Vale up against Kincumber and Avoca.

THE ENTRANCE 0 KILLARNEY DISTRICT 0

- Disciplinary action against The Entrance for poor crowd behavior in their previous match against Southern-Ettalong saw this crucial match switched from Pat Morley Oval to Plum Park 1. It was a tough, even encounter with limited chances and both goalkeepers making important saves. The Entrance went closest with a chance in the last five minutes disallowed for off-side.
- The draw here, along with the closeness of the result in the Gosford / Berkeley Vale match, bodes well for a very exciting finals series. Killarney will be looking to avenge their shock first round loss when they meet Southern-Ettalong at Plum Park 1 next Saturday night. The Entrance will be looking to do exactly the same thing against East Gosford having gone down 5-2 to the Rams in their first round match. That game will be played at Hylton Moore Park. In the final round Killarney will play Toukley and The Entrance are against Terrigal.



AVOCA 4 KINCUMBER 2

- A comfortable win for semi-final aspirants Avoca against their wooden-spoon (but not necessarily relegation) bound neighbours. The Sharks led 4-0 early in the second half with a brace to Stuart Adams and goals to Mitchell Harrison (penalty) and James Monie. To their credit the Roos fought back in the second half to pull the margin back to two, with goals to Daniel Dean in the 49th minute and Nathan Ward (82nd).
- Avoca have had an outstanding season and remain an outside chance to take a semi-final spot for the first time in the club's history. The odds are against them with a couple of tough matches ahead, against Toukley (at Pluim Park 3) next Sunday and then away to Berkeley Vale. Even then they'll need at least one upset loss from the teams above them but they've only been beaten once (by Killarney) since Round 7 back in mid-May. Kincumber have an even tougher draw as they prepare for their relegation/promotion play off. They meet Berkeley Vale and Gosford City both of whom will be desperate to improve their goal differences.

SOUTHERN-ETTALONG 3 TERRIGAL 0

- After their demoralizing late collapse against The Entrance when they went from 3-1 to 5-3 down in the last 14 minutes this was to be a real test of character for the young Southern team against an equally young Terrigal team. In front of a large home crowd celebrating the 20th anniversary of the Lions last premiership win in 1997 the Lions cubs didn't disappoint with what coach Dale Eggleton described as their best and most disciplined defensive performance of the season. They needed that strong defense early in the match with Terrigal mounting a series of attack while at the other end of the field James Caban returned to peak form with his third hat-trick of the season and move within two goals of the top of the Golden Boot tally.
- A match such as this would have been of critical importance in previous season but with the change in competition structure for next season it only means that the two teams swap ladder with Southern moving up to eighth and Terrigal down to ninth. They play the top two teams next weekend with SEU looking to repeat their first round upset win over Killarney at Pluim 1 on Saturday night and Terrigal likewise looking for the form that saw them draw against Gosford. That match is at Gavenlock Oval on Sunday.

TOUKLEY 2 EAST GOSFORD 2

- The boys from Harry Moore against those from Hylton Moore at the northern ground. Rob Walton has been scoring goals for fun this season and a first half double meant that he's now scored in 12 of the Rams 16 matches. The match swung in the 55th minute when East's Mitchell Wilson-Thomas was sent off for a second yellow card offence and Toukley took full advantage to equalise through Alex Govorcin (60th minute) and Jai Kelly (75th).
- The draw was the second between the two teams and had no effect on competition places. That can change dramatically next Sunday if their first round results are repeated where East Gosford defeated The Entrance and Toukley went down to Avoca.

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KILLARNEY DISTRICT	16	10	3	2	39	19	20	36
GOSFORD CITY	16	9	2	5	32	26	6	29
BERKELEY VALE	16	9	2	5	26	21	5	29
THE ENTRANCE	16	8	3	5	44	29	15	27
AVOCA	16	7	4	5	22	21	1	25
EAST GOSFORD	16	6	4	6	30	23	7	22
TOUKLEY	16	5	4	7	24	24	0	19
SOUTHERN-ETTALONG	16	5	2	9	30	35	-5	17
TERRIGAL	16	4	3	9	27	34	-6	15
KINCUMBER	16	1	3	12	15	57	-42	6


LEADING GOAL SCORERS

18	Rob Walton (East Gosford)
16	James Caban (SEU)
15	Daniel Rodger (Killarney District)
14	Josh Swadling (The Entrance)
12	Jai Kelly (Toukley),
10	Adam Woodbine (Gosford City)
9	Jett Cabarrus (Terrigal)
8	Jared McNee (Gosford City)
7	Matt Kenny (The Entrance), Tim Knight (Killarney District)
6	Paul McGinley (Berkeley Vale), Troy Mumford (Berkeley Vale), John Whelpdale (Killarney District)
5	Stuart Adams (Avoca), Shaun Izzard (Avoca), Matt Page (The Entrance),

UPCOMING BPL MATCHES
SATURDAY 19 AUGUST

KILLARNEY DISTRICT	vs	SOUTHERN-ETTALONG	Pluim Park 1
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SUNDAY 20 AUGUST

GOSFORD CITY	vs	TERRIGAL	Gavenlock Oval
AVOCA	vs	TOUKLEY	Pluim Park 3
EAST GOSFORD	vs	THE ENTRANCE	Hylton Moore Park
BERKELEY VALE	vs	KINCUMBER	Mingara Club Oval

OTHER COMPETITIONS

MENS DIVISION ONE RESULTS			
WOONGARRAH	4	BUDGEWOI	0
WYONG	3	TUGGERAH	2
UMINA	4	KARIONG	3
WYOMING	5	WOY WOY	1
KANWAL	5	OURIMBAH	0
DOYALSON	7	GWANDALAN	1

SEA-FM WOMENS LEAGUE RESULTS			
UMINA	4	WOONGARRAH	1
GOSFORD CITY	7	THE ENTRANCE	0
TERRIGAL	3	KILLARNEY DISTRICT	1

WOMENS DIVISION ONE RESULTS			
AVOCA	3	KARIONG	2
KANWAL	4	DOYALSON	0
KINCUMBER	1	WOY WOY	0