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2019 BATTLEWIN PREMIER LEAGUE ROUND 11 (1/2 JUNE)

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FIRST GRADE SCORES

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

SUMMARY

- The 2019 Battlewin Premier League season has reached the halfway point so let's have a look at how the fortunes of each of the 12 teams have changed over the past year. Ominously nothing has changed at the top with defending champions and premiers **Killarney District** in exactly the same position, in first place and even with exactly the same tally of 28 points. **Southern-Ettalong** who shared second place with **Berkeley Vale** in 2018 with 24 points are there on their own in 2019 and with an extra point while the Wombats have slipped to equal fifth on 20 points. **Terrigal** are equal third compared with sixth last season although finishing strongly to finish second behind Killarney. Both of the promoted clubs will be happy with their progress with **Wyoming** equal third (21) and **Woongarra** equal fifth (20). Avoca are hovering around just out of the top five as they were last year. **Toukley** have improved from 12th to 8th with an extra 6 points but are second-last in the now all-important club championship. **East Gosford** were inside the top five in 2018 but have never recovered from a poor start and now sit 11 points down in ninth place. Back-to-back premiers in 2014 and 2015 **The Entrance** continue to struggle sitting around the same position and down 4 points. One of the big improvers in 2018 was **Kanwal** who, although seventh at the mid-point of 2018 went on to make the elimination semi-final but, with a string of narrow losses, have dropped to 11th place and down from 17 points to 5. Although steadily improving **Gosford City** remain last in both first grade and club championship down four places and 9 points on last season.

	2019		2018		Change Points
	Position	Points	Position	Points	
KILLARNEY DISTRICT	1st	28	1st	28	0
SOUTHERN-ETTALONG	2nd	25	=2nd	24	+1
WYOMING	=3rd	21	Div 1 (4th)	NA	NA
TERRIGAL	=3rd	21	6th	18	+3
BERKELEY VALE	=5th	20	=2nd	24	-4
WOONGARRAH	=5th	20	Div 1 (1st)	NA	NA
AVOCA	7th	18	=4th	20	-2

TOUKLEY	8th	10	Last	4	+6
EAST GOSFORD	9th	9	=4th	20	-11
THE ENTRANCE	10th	7	9th	11	-4
KANWAL	11th	5	7th	17	-12
GOSFORD CITY	Last	4	8th	13	-9

- Round 11 got off to a spectacular start with Avoca scoring three goals inside the first seven minutes of their Saturday night Pluim Park match against Terrigal followed by another only seconds from the full-time whistle. Unfortunately for the Sharks their beachside neighbours also scored four times in a thriller to share the points.
- In other matches Killarney District, as they did the previous week against Wyoming, shrugged off another potential title rival with a 3-0 win over Woongarra while Southern-Ettalong, with the same scoreline, remained safely in second place. Wyoming took advantage of the Saturday night draw to join Terrigal in equal third place with a come-from-behind win over Kanwal. Berkeley Vale were given a fright before downing the enthusiastic Gosford City youngsters while East Gosford and The Entrance, both desperate for points could only share one in a scoreless draw.

AVOCA 4 TERRIGAL 4

- For the remainder of the season all of Avoca's scheduled home matches will be played at Pluim Park as the heavy seven days a week traffic on the Erina High School pitch leads to its inevitable deterioration. If this match is any indication it's going to be a win-win for both home and away teams with the pristine surface at Pluim being much more conducive to the playing of quality football.
- Although both teams went into the match without key players Avoca were potentially the worse affected with both Stuart Adams and Shane Knight unavailable. Not that it affected them in an opening onslaught that saw them score three goals inside the first seven minutes. First up a through ball in the third minute found James Monie in clear space and he made no mistake in side-footing it past the Terrigal keeper. In little more than a minute the Sharks were 2-0 up this time with Oliver Twyford making a run down the right side of the field, cutting back and scoring neatly from a wide angle. Five minutes later it was 3-0 with Avoca's livewire winger Roan Brown scoring.
- Terrigal then gradually fought their way back into the match almost scoring in the 16th minutes from a free kick before Ben Flakus beat several players in a run to the to the Avoca byline before passing to Josh Menzies to score for the second match in a row. Terrigal then began to control the match with Anthony Pace making a strong run and being brought down near the edge of the Avoca box. Although they failed to convert on that occasion Pace was on hand shortly afterwards with a neat finish that narrowed Avoca's lead to a single goal at the half-time break. From the resumption the teams were evenly-matched with Avoca missing a couple of good opportunities to double their lead when Ben Green sliced through but pushed his one-on-one shot wide followed by a Monie header that also went wide. As it was the next two goals went Terrigal's way both from players returning from injury, the first, in the 75th minute, to Erik Riquelme who'd come off the bench at half-time and the second from Jai McNamara in the 82nd minute giving his team a 4-3 lead. Then finally, well into added time the Sharks snatched a point when Oliver Twyford pounced on a loose ball inside the Terrigal six-yard box. All in all a thoroughly entertaining match, for the neutral if not the two frazzled coaches.

- The two teams now take on opponents at opposite ends of the ladder with Avoca away to Killarney District at EDSACC North and Terrigal, also away, against Gosford City.

BERKELEY VALE 3 GOSFORD CITY 2

- The young Gosford City team continue to punch above their weight stretching the much more fancied Berkeley Vale side before going down by a single goal. The Dragons began strongly finding space in the midfield and some clean one-touch football found Jesse Parnell on hand to score his tenth goal of the season. The goal spurred the Wombats into action and goals to Kevin Robertson (his first for his new club) in the 15th minute threading into the box after a strong build up; Alex Burrell, in the 28th, predictably enough from a corner; and Troy Mumford four minutes later who slipped in behind the City defence and beat the keeper.
- In a repeat of the first half Gosford snatched an early goal, this time through Will Johnston to bring the scoreline back to 3-2. Berkeley have been creating plenty of chances in recent matches but struggling to capitalise on them and that was again the case in the second half with poor finishing, last-ditch defending and a series of excellent saves by City goalkeeper Jack Arigho keeping the result in doubt for the remainder of the match.
- Berkeley Vale dropped behind Wyoming after their draw against Kanwal in Round 10 and they'll be keen to reverse these positions when they meet the Tigers at Mingara next Sunday. Gosford City meet equal third-placed Terrigal at Gavenlock Oval.

KILLARNEY DISTRICT 3 WOONGARRAH 0

- Woongarra and Killarney met at Hamlyn Terrace in what was billed as the match of the weekend in the Battlewin Premier League. The Wildcats returned home for just the second time this season after a string of away matches on the back of a big defeat to Southern and Ettalong United last weekend, going down 6-2. The Terriers, on the other hand, came into the match fresh from two straight wins as they looked to open up a gap between themselves and the rest of the competition.
- It was Killarney who were to start the brighter of the sides in this contest, opening the scoring in the 13th minute after a Tim Knight shot was fumbled by Wildcats keeper Matt Wilson, with the rebound falling to Daniel Rodger who netted his sixth of the campaign. After grabbing the first, the Terriers went in hunt of a second only minutes later as Matt Hall found himself in some space down the left however Woongarra recovered well to see his effort scrambled behind for a corner. The 'Cats began to grow into the match as the first half progressed, and on the 40-minute mark they almost found themselves back level after the ball was squared to find Ashley Henderson in the six-yard box. As Henderson looked to finish, he was collected heavily by a Terriers defender with the ball ballooning onto the roof of the net rather than in with the referee waving away shouts for a penalty.
- The sides emerged from the sheds for the second half and again it was the Terriers who looked the more threatening. First-half goal scorer Daniel Rodger had a chance to double his side's lead four minutes into the half as he got free on the left side of the penalty area, with his shot drawing a smart stop from Wilson in the Woongarra goal. The Terriers were, however, to find the elusive second goal of the match in the 61st minute as midfielder Daniel Moffett was slipped through down the left before squaring up and finishing confidently past Wilson to double their lead. Similarly to the first half, the Terriers almost added a third minutes after finding the net for their second, with Daniel Rodger and Tim Knight linking up well down the left. Rodger held the ball up well before finding Knight who found some space to cut the ball back to the on-rushing Rodger, with his finish cleared off

the line by the 'Cats. The Terriers did find the third and final goal of the contest in the 89th minute to all but seal the three points as second half substitute Brendan Hall found a pocket of space on the edge of the penalty area, managing to get the ball out from under his feet before rifling a shot low and hard into the bottom right corner.

- The win sees the Terriers extend their winning run to three, also managing three clean-sheets, whilst Woongarra have suffered back-to-back defeats for the first time this campaign. Killarney's next up opponents are Avoca, sitting on a seven-match unbeaten run. That match is at EDSACC North. Woongarra will be on the road next week (against East Gosford at Hylton Moore) before a string of five home matches

SOUTHERN-ETTALONG 3 TOUKLEY 0

- Harry Moore Oval saw Toukley and Southern and Ettalong United face off on Sunday afternoon as both went after the three points for contrasting reasons. The Gunners have been winless in their two previous matches and are desperate for three points to keep their fading hopes of a birth in the finals alive for this season, whilst Southern, unbeaten in their past two were looking to close the gap to leaders Killarney at the top of the table.
- The Lions were to prevail in this fixture after making the long trip up to Toukley, finding themselves up 2-0 at half time before adding a third in the second half to wrap up the three points. Goals to James Steer, Jacob Caban, and a 12th of the season for Keith Gumbs ensured the victory as they continue to remain hot on the heels of Killarney before the two sides meet in two weeks' time in a blockbuster clash at James Browne Oval on the 16th of June.
- Southern coach Dale Eggleton was pleased with the result, adding: "Pleasing performance today, we didn't always get the end result from good lead-up play but full credit to Toukley who kept competing until the final whistle". Southern face another long trip north to face Kanwal this weekend before the aforementioned clash with Killarney, while Toukley become the first away team this season to face The Entrance at Pat Morley Oval.

EAST GOSFORD 0 THE ENTRANCE 0

- The East Gosford Rams hosted The Entrance at Hylton Moore Oval on Sunday afternoon as both sides looked for a result to try and escape the bottom two spots on the Battlewin Premier League table and, more importantly the Club Championship. The Rams came into this fixture in much better form than their counterparts, with The Entrance unable to manage a point since their round five win over Gosford City. The match was one with few chances, with East Gosford getting on the ball regularly in the first period but struggling to create any significant inroads to the resolute Entrance defensive set up.
- The second half was more of the same however both sides manufactured a few more opportunities than in the first, with The Entrance keeper Adam Parkinson making a number of fine saves to keep the scores locked at 0-0. In the 85th minute the Rams did manage to find the back of the net with what they thought would be the winning goal of the match, however after consultation with his assistant, the referee ruled the goal out and the match ended 0-0.
- The draw sees East Gosford extend their unbeaten run to three matches and coach Chris Powell added post game that he thought his side were unlucky not to emerge with a victory: "Pleased with our performance, with a bit of luck we probably could have grabbed all three points.". It was also a positive afternoon for The Entrance, as they picked up their first competition point in six weeks.

- Next Sunday sees The Entrance's long home ground ban finally completed and they'll be hosting Toukley at Pat Morley Oval. East Gosford will also be on their Hylton Moore home turf against Woongarra.

WYOMING 3 KANWAL 1

- Wyoming have bounced back from their defeat to Killarney District with a hard-fought win over Kanwal at Alan Davidson Park. After a tight first half-hour the visitors opened the scoring when they pounced on a loose ball in the midfield and sent Ryan Walker through, his shot was deflected but fell to the Bulls livewire winger Joey Liddle who scored his second goal in as many matches.
- A more committed Wyoming team came out after the break. The pattern throughout the second half was virtually unchanged with the Tigers controlling the midfield and launching continuous forays into the opposition half through both wings only to be stopped by the typically disciplined and well-organised Bulls defence who then launched a series of counter attacks. The breakthrough eventually came in the 63rd minute with Jared McNee scoring from a wide angled free-kick. The Wyoming assault continued and the next turning point came in the 70th minute when Ben Farrell broke through the Kanwal defence only to be brought down on the edge of the penalty box by defender Nick Jelbart who was deemed to be the last man and red-carded.
- Desperate to get maximum points and despite being a man short Kanwal now began to press forward leaving some gaps in their previously impregnable defence. Despite this the match looked headed for a draw before Wyoming grabbed two late goals, the first to Sam Dooley in the 87th minute and the second, inside added time, to Zac Hall.
- For the Bulls it was a serious case of *déjà vu* all over again being the fourth time this season that they've dropped points inside the last few minutes of matches with six of their defeats being by a single goal. Moving into the second half of the season they'll be looking for a change in luck starting next Sunday when they take on Southern-Ettalong at Wadalba. For Wyoming their BPL comeback season has reached new heights as they moved into third place on goal difference. Having said that they're only one point ahead of sixth place making next week's match against Berkeley Vale at Mingara another must-win for them.

	<i>P</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>GF</i>	<i>GA</i>	<i>GD</i>	<i>PTS</i>
KILLARNEY DISTRICT	11	10	1	1	36	10	16	28
SOUTHERN-ETTALONG	11	8	1	2	31	20	11	25
WYOMING	11	7	0	4	32	16	16	21
TERRIGAL	11	6	3	2	30	19	11	21
BERKELEY VALE	11	6	2	3	21	13	8	20
WOONGARRAH	11	6	2	3	26	23	3	20
AVOCA	11	5	3	3	23	25	-2	18
TOUKLEY	11	3	1	7	16	30	-14	10
EAST GOSFORD	11	2	3	6	10	19	-9	9
THE ENTRANCE	11	2	1	8	11	26	-15	7
KANWAL	11	1	2	8	15	24	-9	5
GOSFORD CITY	11	1	1	9	15	41	-26	4

	<i>P</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Reserve</i>	<i>U21</i>	<i>Points</i>
KILLARNEY DISTRICT	33	84	56	29	169
SOUTHERN-ETTALONG	33	75	44	18	137
TERRIGAL	33	63	38	22	123
WYOMING	32	63	22	25	110
WOONGARRAH	33	60	24	17	101
AVOCA	33	54	20	24	98
EAST GOSFORD	32	27	50	11	88
BERKELEY VALE	33	60	22	5	87
KANWAL	33	15	38	17	70
THE ENTRANCE	33	21	34	12	67
TOUKLEY	33	30	20	3	53
GOSFORD CITY	33	12	6	4	22

12	Keith Gumbs (Southern-Ettalong)
10	Jesse Parnell (Gosford City)
8	Pat Mills (Wyoming)
7	Matt Hall (Wyoming), Jared McNee (Wyoming), Troy Mumford (Berkeley Vale)
6	Ben Runge (Woongarra), Daniel Rodger (Killarney District)
5	Jacob Caban (Southern-Ettalong), James Caban (Southern-Ettalong), Ben Farrell (Wyoming), Ben Flakus (Terrigal), Brendan Hall (Killarney District), Matt Hall (Killarney District), Erik Riquelme (Terrigal), Ryan Walker (Kanwal), Cameron Wilkinson (Terrigal), Kane Woolston (Woongarra)
4	Sam Dooley (Wyoming), Alex Govorcic (Woongarra), Ben Green (Avoca),

	Steve Harpur (East Gosford), Ashley Henderson (Woongarra), Jai Kelly (Toukley), Damien Lobb (Berkeley Vale), Troy Runge (Toukley), Oliver Twyford (Avoca), Rob Walton (East Gosford)
3	Alex Burrell (Berkeley Vale), Bryce Fielder (Killarney District), Ethan Hall (Killarney District), Mitch Harrison (Avoca), Tim Knight (Killarney District), Josh Menzies (Terrigal), Jayden Nakhoul (The Entrance), Anthony Pace (Terrigal), Blake Silvers (Killarney District), James Steer (Southern-Ettalong), Michael Tawyer (Berkeley Vale),

BPL ROUND 12 FIXTURES

SUNDAY 9 JUNE			
EAST GOSFORD	vs	WOONGARRAH	Hylton Moore Park
THE ENTRANCE	vs	TOUKLEY	Pat Morley Oval
GOSFORD CITY	vs	TERRIGAL	Gavenlock Oval
KILLARNEY DISTRICT	vs	AVOCA	EDSACC North
BERKELEY VALE	vs	WYOMING	Mingara Club Oval
KANWAL	vs	SOUTHERN-ETTALONG	Wadalba Sports Complex

DIVISION ONE

FIRST GRADE SCORES

KINCUMBER	1	GWANDALAN	1
WYONG	2	WOY WOY	2
OURIMBAH	11	DOYALSON	2
UMINA	4	BUDGEWOI	4
KARIONG	Bye		

COMPETITION TABLE

	<i>P</i>	<i>W</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>L</i>	<i>GF</i>	<i>GA</i>	<i>GD</i>	<i>PTS</i>
KINCUMBER	7	4	2	1	17	8	9	14
WOY WOY	8	4	1	3	30	16	14	13
UMINA	7	3	3	1	26	12	14	12
OURIMBAH	7	4	0	3	26	15	11	12
WYONG	7	3	2	2	17	13	4	11
BUDGEWOI	6	3	1	3	19	16	3	10
GWANDALAN	7	3	1	3	18	16	2	10
KARIONG	7	3	0	4	10	13	-3	9
DOYALSON	7	0	0	7	4	58	-54	0

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

	<i>Played</i>	<i>First</i>	<i>Reserve</i>	<i>Total</i>
UMINA	14	36	36	72
WOY WOY	16	39	26	65
WYONG	14	33	32	65
BUDGEWOI	14	30	32	62
GWANDALAN	14	30	28	58
OURIMBAH	14	36	20	56
KINCUMBER	14	42	12	54
KARIONG	14	27	0	27
DOYALSON	14	0	0	0