

### **Premium Sporting Products**

# 2017 BATTLEWIN PREMIER LEAGUE ROUND 4 (29 APRIL)

#### **FIRST GRADE SCORES**

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

#### **SUMMARY**

- Four rounds into the 2017 Battlewin Premier League competition and Killarney District have now re-established the clear lead in the points table that they held for the majority of the 2016 season. They did so despite a tough FFA Cup match against Apia-Leichhardt at Pluim Park on the previous Wednesday night. There's also a clear trailing team with Terrigal squandering a 3-0 lead before slumping to their fourth straight loss.
- Despite the 4-0 scoreline in their Cup loss to Apia, Killarney were far from humiliated narrowly missing the chance to equalise just before half-time and with the last two goals coming in the last 15 minutes. To put the performance in perspective Apia went into the match as leaders in the NPL1 competition making them arguably the fifth best team in NSW behind the four A-League clubs. Again it shows the high standard of Central Coast elite club football.
- Still on the FFA Cup Southern-Ettalong travel to Melita Stadium on Wednesday night to take on another NPL1 club, Parramatta FC. Good luck to the Lions.

#### **KILLARNEY DISTRICT vs AVOCA**

- Although the Cup match had clearly taken its toll on their players the Terriers fitness levels
  are second to none, thanks largely to their ex-Mariners Strength and Conditioning Coach,
  Tim Knight. The eventual 4-0 win was an outstanding performance given that Avoca had
  only conceded two goals on their previous matches.
- It took in-form striker Daniel Rodger just five minutes to ensure that his record of scoring in
  every match was maintained. Not satisfied he doubled his team's lead midway through the
  first half and then completed his first ever MPL hat-trick five minutes into the second half.
  With eight goals in four matches Rodger now holds a three-goal lead in the 2017 BPL
  Golden Boot race although last season's winner Tim Knight did finally break an
  unprecedented goal drought, scoring in the 70th minute.
- Killarney will be looking to extende their competition lead when they take on equal secondplaced East Gosford at Hylton Moore Park while the Sharks take on another of the secondplaced teams, Gosford City, at Gavenlock Oval.

#### **GOSFORD CITY vs THE ENTRANCE**

- A big match for both teams in this re-match of the 2015 BPL Grand Final. In an ironic twist The Entrance, having gained a significant advantage when the Berkeley Vale goalkeeper was sent off in their previous match, the reverse was the case here with their own 'keeper, Brad Sheen, red-carded early in the second half for the same offence handling the ball outside the penalty box. The send-off came early in the second half, just two minutes after Gosford's Jarred McNee had cancelled out the Sea Eagles early lead a penalty by Nathan Blunden in the 17th minute. Despite being a player short The Entrance created a number of scoring opportunities hitting the posts on a couple of occasions. It took a brilliant strike by the Dragons coach, Ian McAndrew, in the 71st minute to give his team a lead that they held until full-time.
- The third straight win for Gosford moves them into equal second place, but fourth on goal difference. They now have the luxury of back-to-back home games at the newly-renovated Gavenlock Oval when they meet Avoca next Sunday. The Entrance travel to the Peninsula to meet Southern-Ettalong at James Browne Oval.

#### **BERKELEY VALE vs EAST GOSFORD**

- A tough and even encounter at Mingara Sports Field that was in the balance throughout and decided by a penalty midway through the second half to Berkeley's Jameson Flynn. Although beaten the contest shows that the Rams early season good form has been no fluke against a team here that most pundits expect to be the serious contenders this season.
- Berkeley Vale should have suspended players, goalkeeper Steve Grimmitt and midfielder Paul McGinley back for next Saturday night's match against Toukley at Harry Moore Oval. East Gosford will get their sternest test to date when they host competition leaders Killarney District on Sunday at Hylton Moore Oval.

#### KINCUMBER vs SOUTHERN-ETTALONG

- After three frustrating narrow losses Southern-Ettalong have broken through for their first
  win of the season with a 4-2 victory over Kincumber at Frost Reserve. The match was in the
  balance until the final ten minutes with SEU taking the lead twice, early in the first half
  through Louis Murphy and early in the second from James Caban. The Roos hit back each
  time with goals to Darcy Hamilton and Aaron Beehag midway through the respective halves.
  A second goal to Caban gave the Lions the lead in the 82nd minute with Keith Gumbs
  settling the result minutes later with his first goal since returning from overseas.
- There's a busy week ahead for Southern, travelling to Sydney for their deferred Round 5
  FFA Cup match against NPL1 club Parramatta FC and then back home to James Browne Oval
  on Sunday to take on The Entrance. While it's still far too early for a serious call,
  Kincumber's local derby against Terrigal at Duffys Road could be vital for the two teams
  sitting as they are in 9th and 10th positions.

#### **TERRIGAL vs TOUKLEY**

• A real heartbreaker for Terrigal in this match, going down 4-3 to Toukley after holding what looked to be a match-winning 3-0 lead at half-time though goals from Alex Ford (2) and Jai McNamara. However, as they'd shown in their opening match of the season against The Entrance when they came back from a 2-0 deficit to win 3-2, the Gunners have a never-say-die attitude. They also have the advantage of having both joint coaches on the field and when each of them scored early in the second half – Jai Kelly in the 55th minute and Damien Lobb four minutes later – the momentum swung strongly in their team's favour.

Alex Govorcin then equalised in the 67th minute with Kelly then scoring what proved to be the winner 12 minutes from full-time.

- Toukley's comeback is believed to be only the second occasion in at least the last decade that a team has turned around a 3-0 deficit, Killarney District having done it back in 2013 to defeat Kincumber 5-4.
- Toukley now return home to Harry Moore Oval for a crucial Saturday night matchup against Berkeley Vale while Terrigal must bounce back for their derby against Kincumber at Duffys Road.

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KILLARNEY DISTRICT	4	4	0	0	15	3	12	12
EAST GOSFORD	4	3	0	1	8	3	5	9
BERKELEY VALE	4	3	0	1	8	6	2	9
GOSFORD CITY	4	3	0	1	10	9	1	9
TOUKLEY	4	2	1	1	9	8	1	7
THE ENTRANCE	4	1	1	2	7	7	0	4
AVOCA	4	1	1	2	2	6	-4	4
SOUTHERN-ETTALONG	4	1	0	3	7	9	-2	3
KINCUMBER	4	0	1	3	3	11	-8	1
TERRIGAL	4	0	0	4	7	14	-7	0

## battlewin LEADING GOAL SCORER

8	Daniel Rodger (Killarney District)
5	Rob Walton (East Gosford)
4	Jai Kelly (Toukley)
3	James Caban (SEU), Jameson Flynn (Berkeley Vale), Ian McAndrew (Gosford City), John Whelpdale (Killarney District)
2	Alex Ford (Terrigal), Ben Glachan (Toukley), Brendan Hall (Killarney District), Michael Ledwidge (Avoca), Jarred McNee (Gosford City), Louis Murphy (SEU), Graham Toope (Gosford City)

#### **UPCOMING BPL MATCHES**

SATURDAY 6 MAY			
TOUKLEY	VS	BERKELEY VALE	Harry Moore Oval

SUNDAY 7 MAY			
EAST GOSFORD	VS	KILLARNEY DISTRICT	Hylton Moore Oval
SOUTHERN-ETTALONG	VS	THE ENTRANCE	James Browne Oval
GOSFORD CITY	VS	AVOCA	Gavenlock Oval
TERRIGAL	VS	KINCUMBER	Duffy Road

#### **OTHER GRADES**

MENS DIVISION ONE RESULTS				
WOONGARRAH	1	TUGGERAH	0	
BUDGEWOI	3	WOY WOY	2	
OURIMBAH	4	WYONG	0	
KARIONG	9	GWANDALAN	0	
WYOMING	3	DOYALSON	1	
KANWAL	3	UMINA	3	

SEA-FM WOMENS LEAGUE RESULTS				
TERRIGAL	1	THE ENTRANCE	0	
GOSFORD CITY	4	UMINA	0	
WOONGARRAH	6	KILLARNEY DISTRICT	2	

WOMENS DIVISION ONE RESULTS				
AVOCA	6	WOY WOY	2	
KINCUMBER	3	DOYALSON	0	
KANWAL	4	KARIONG	0	