

Premium Sporting Products

2018 BATTLEWIN PREMIER LEAGUE ROUND 2 (24/25 MARCH)

FIRST GRADE SCORES

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| KILLARNEY DISTRICT | 4 | EAST GOSFORD | 0 |
| KANWAL | 2 | THE ENTRANCE | 1 |
| BERKELEY VALE | 1 | SOUTHERN-ETTALONG | 0 |
| AVOCA | 3 | UMINA | 3 |
| KINCUMBER | 5 | TOUKLEY | 2 |
| TERRIGAL vs GOSFORD – Deferred until Wednesday 11 April | | | |

SUMMARY

- Just two weeks into the 2018 Battlewin Premier League and defending premiers Killarney District have already opened up a two-point lead over the field, a lead that will remain regardless of the result of the postponed match between Terrigal and Gosford. That match, together with the Killarney/East Gosford clash, were postponed from their original Friday night time slot due to the funeral of Ash Grant that was held earlier that day at Pluim Park.



- The funeral was an emotional and memorable occasion with all 23 clubs well represented among the 1500 people who were in attendance to farewell one of the Coast's favourites.
- Both the Premier League and Division One will have a break over the Easter long weekend with at least five clubs in the draw for the fourth round of the FFA Cup due to be played midway through the following week. Killarney District, Terrigal and Berkeley Vale all had comfortable wins over Sydney club opponents, as did Div One teams Budgewoi and Woongarah. East Gosford will be looking to join them when they play Nepean FC on Wednesday night at Cook Park. The result of this match as well as the Round 4 draw will be available here on Wednesday: http://results.theffacup.com.au/comp_info.cgi?c=0-10664-0-486473-0&pool=1&round=0&a=FIXTURE

KILLARNEY DISTRICT 4 EAST GOSFORD 0

- Killarney District have put their disappointing Round 1 performance behind them with an impressive and businesslike 4-0 win over East Gosford. It was their third win in seven days following a midweek 3-0 win over 2017 Champion of Champions team Doonside Hawks in Round 3 of the FFA Cup.
- In contrast to their poor finishing against Gosford where around numerous chances were squandered the Terriers were clinical here with the four goals spread evenly across the 90 minutes. While the Rams couldn't match the speed and precision of the premiers they weren't embarrassed by any means and showed that they'll be in the mix for the finals.
- Killarney's next BPL match will be a Saturday night encounter against Toukley at EDSACC North with neutral spectators, but not either coach, looking forward to a repeat of the fiery clash that saw four players red-carded in this corresponding match last season.



BERKELEY VALE 1 SOUTHERN-ETTALONG 0

- A tough even encounter with the defence of each side limiting scoring opportunities. Berkeley Vale went into the game with four key players out through either travel or suspension and then, for the second match in a row were reduced to 10 men when Adam Smith was sent off for dissent midway through the second half. The decider came with five minutes remaining with a free kick from Paul McGinley finding the top corner of the net.
- Despite the loss it was another promising effort from Southern against one of the competition favourites. They will be looking to put their unusually poor home ground record from last season behind them when they take on Terrigal on Sunday week at James Browne Oval.
- The Wombats will be looking to be close to full strength for their next match in Round 4 of the FFA Cup before their home match against Umina.

KINCUMBER 5 TOUKLEY 2

- Kincumber have once again showed their liking for the hallowed turf of Plum One with an impressive 5-2 win over Toukley. The Roos won just two matches last season, both on the main field, a 3-0 victory over Berkeley Vale in Round 8 followed by a win by the same score against Wyoming that in the play-off that enabled them to hold their place in the BPL.
- All five goals for Kincumber came in the first half highlighted by a hat-trick from Aaron Beehag with Daniel Dean and Nathan Ward. Toukley did cut the margin to 2-1 midway through the half with the first of two goals to Will Haines, the second coming late in the match.
- Kincumber's next match will be their traditional local derby against Avoca at Frost Reserve on Sunday week while Toukley play Killarney District in a Saturday night at EDSACC North.

AVOCA 3 UMINA 3

- A fast-flowing and entertaining match between clubs are looking to finish in the top half of the table, with Avoca keen to make the finals for the first time and Umina back where they belong in the top division after their first ever relegation season.
- Umina took an early lead through Josh Schumann, cancelled out by Avoca's Mitch Harrison in the 38th minute. A second goal by Schumann, this time from the penalty spot was followed by an early contender for goal of the season by the Sharks 2018 BPL POTY Stuart Adams who made a scything run from near half way before beating three defenders to score. An own goal on the hour mark then gave Avoca the lead for the first time before Schumann completed his hat-trick just five minutes later. Adams looked to have set up the winner when he found an unmarked James Monie late in the match but the former long-serving representative player uncharacteristically put the ball over the bar.



- Neither club nominated for the FFA Cup and so will have a full two-week break. Avoca then take on neighbours Kincumber at Frost Reserve while Umina play traditional rivals Berkeley Vale at Mingara.

KANWAL 2 THE ENTRANCE 1

- The only BPL match so far to be played away from Pluim Park took place at the new CCF-managed Frank Willington Field at Budgewoi FC in hot and humid conditions. The Entrance welcomed their former 1st Grade POTY, Dale Hall, back after a season off and with Terrie Dries on the bench have a stronger look to them. The opening goal came from a corner by the Bulls ex-Mariners captain/coach Brad Porter who floated a corner into the Entrance net. The Reddies then equalised through Corey Atkinson five minutes from the half-time break. The younger and fitter Kanwal seemed to handle the heat better in the second term with the defences of both sides standing firm and it took another set piece from Kanwal to snatch the win this time a floating free kick from Jason Cozens in the 69th minutes.



- Despite the loss there were promising signs from The Entrance who are traditionally slow starters each season. They travel south next match to take on East Gosford at Hylton Moore Park. With their home ground unavailable Kanwal have a run of three away matches, the first of which is against Gosford at Gavenlock Oval. Both matches are on Sunday week.

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| KILLARNEY DISTRICT | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 5 | 6 |
| KINCUMBER | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 4 |
| AVOCA | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 4 |
| UMINA | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 6 | 1 | 4 |
| SOUTHERN-ETTALONG | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 3 |
| BERKELEY VALE | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 |
| KANWAL | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 3 |
| EAST GOSFORD | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 5 | -4 | 3 |
| TERRIGAL | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| GOSFORD | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | -1 | 0 |
| TOUKLEY | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 7 | -4 | 0 |
| THE ENTRANCE | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 9 | -6 | 0 |

battlewin DING GOAL SCORERS (FINAL)

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| 4 | Keith Gumbs (SEU) |
| 3 | Aaron Beehag (Kincumber), Josh Schumann (Umina) |
| 2 | Stuart Adams (Avoca), James Caban (SEU), Will Haines (Toukley), Matt Kenny (The Entrance), Tim Knight (Killarney District), Paul McGinley (Berkeley Vale), Ryan Walker (Kanwal) |

ROUND 3 FIXTURES
SATURDAY 7 APRIL

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| KILLARNEY DISTRICT | vs | TOUKLEY | EDSACC North |
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SUNDAY 8 APRIL

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| GOSFORD | vs | KANWAL | Gavenlock Oval |
| KINCUMBER | vs | AVOCA | Frost Reserve |
| SOUTHERN-ETTALONG | vs | TERRIGAL | James Browne Oval |
| BERKELEY VALE | vs | UMINA | Mingara Sports Field |
| EAST GOSFORD | vs | THE ENTRANCE | Hylton Moore Park |