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POWERING UP THE PLAY MAKERS

Let's just dive in and talk coaching and halves.

Firstly, I just can't move past a certain thought I've been having in recent seasons, so I felt like sharing: the importance of an elite head coach.

And yes, this sounds extremely obvious. But what I mean to point out is that they don't receive enough credit.

The impact the likes of Robbo and Bellamy have across all facets of a club is profound. They deserve credit for the work that happens in the front office, right through to the front row. It's on them to ensure the right players and leaders are establishing the right culture.

My point is, it's no coincidence that the most consistently competitive NRL clubs have the best head coaches, regardless of the profile of a roster.

I just have so much respect for those guys.

And on the subject of doing shit right, Canberra is the other example. Their culture and community involvement really stands out. It might be a stretch to also link the club's outstanding social media presence to Ricky as well, but much of what's getting done in Bruce has been driven by the guy in charge.

Now, Sticky hasn't always got the results when in the head coaching position, but I choose to believe that he is, evidently, outstandingly adaptive and has learnt from the things that worked or didn't work in the past. And the Raiders' current success is a culmination of that.

Now onto the NRLCEO link. It's also no coincidence that the best teams in the comp have the best playmakers leading the way. And we'll make the assumption that they have great relationships with their coach.

Now, your chief playmaker is generally a half, like the recently-retired walking-trophy-cabinet Cronk, but clearly hookers like Smith and Hodsgon also apply here. I like to think of those guys as a team's 'quarterback'.

So I'm very glad halves will this season receive more NRLCEO love.

We'll never be able to perfectly translate good 'quarterback' play into CEO points, but additional try-assist and repeat set points is a good start.

No NRL team wins big games without top-tier playmakers leading the way, so it makes sense that the better halves come at a steeper cost at your CEO draft day. Supply and demand will dictate that.

For those that play NFL Fantasy, you'll know that you can wait until later in the draft to grab a decent-scoring QB. But that's because there are an abundance of them, lowering opportunity cost.

In the NRL, though, there are fewer teams and less elite playmakers.

The reality is, if we want top-scoring halves in our CEO teams this season, we will need to pay for it. And I'm totally fine with that.

The better CEOs, or coaches, as I like to think of us as, will know what they need to do.

PHIL PRIOR

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A QUICK REFRESHER

Most people reading this are likely to be diehard NRLCEO fanatics with at least a couple years of experience. That being said, there is sure to be at least a few of you that are new to this and many more who could use a brush up on how to play.

Whether you're a diehard NRLCEO fanatic with a few years under your belt or this is your first year, we could all use a brush up on how to play the game and what everything means. Before we flood you with information in the rest of this season guide, take a second to look over everything below so that we're all starting off on the same foot.

WHAT IS NRLCEO?

NRLCEO is Australia's largest promotion/relegation draft for NRL fantasy football. Where Supercoach and NRL Fantasy assign prices to each player and give you a salary cap, NRLCEO prefers the draft approach. Every player is available to be in your team, but they're all unique. CEOs (that's you and the other players in your league) take turns to pick players, but once they've been picked nobody else can use them.

FROM YOUR FELLOW CEOS:

- "Draft 'til the end. While other people might be happy to pick up random players, you can find one or two gems."
 - Geoff Adams
- "Pick with your head, not with your heart. The players you love don't necessarily get the minutes."
 - Brett Leslie
- "Once the draft is complete, try not to be tempted by free agents. Your limited player terminations have to last the entire season."
 - Scott Beeby
- "Pick the best available player even if short in another position and pick centres last."
 - Adam Hewat
- "Forwards win matches, backs by how much, ensure you have a good base of workhorses over a flashy backline."
 - Geoff Adams
- "Don't let past performance alone be the deciding factor in keeping a player. If they're having a bad season, cut them!"
 - Alex McDonald
- "If you are the last player to pick a kicker in your competition, wait until the last round to pick them. You effectively get another top tier pick."
 - @JarvFromOz

DON'T FORGET...

NEW for 2020:

Repeat Sets: 1 point each

Metre Eaters (2 points):

Fullbacks: 150+ metres run
Wingers: 150+ metres run
Centres: 100+ metres run
Five-Eighths: 100+ metres run
Halfbacks: 100+ metres run
Front Rowers: 150+ metres run
Hookers: 100+ metres run
Back Rowers: 150+ metres run

Double Metre Eaters (4 points):

All positions: 200+ metres run

Triple Metre Eaters (6 points):

All positions: 300+ metres run

Workhorse (4 points):

All forwards: 40+ involvements (tackles + hitups)

Double Workhorse (8 points):

Hookers: 50+ involvements AND run 75m

Other forwards: 60+ involvements AND run 120m

Triple Workhorse (12 points):

Hookers: 60+ involvements AND run 125m

Other forwards: 70+ involvements AND run 170m

WHAT'S NEW IN 2020?

INTRODUCTION OF THE REPEAT SET STAT

We don't introduce new scoring options very often and when we do we want to make sure that we get it right. We want to avoid high scoring situations that start to morph into SuperCoach scores.

There are some things that just feel right though. Repeat sets are extremely valuable in the current game.

If this were introduced last year then the names James Maloney (29), Adam Reynolds (25), Chad Townsend (19), Nathan Cleary (18) and Anthony Milford (18) would have all increased in value.

We are interested to hear if you think this is a good idea. If you want help implementing it in your competition then get in touch with us on Facebook or Twitter.

TOP 20 FROM 2019	REPEAT SETS
1 - Maloney, James	29
2 - Reynolds, Adam	25
3 - Townsend, Chad	19
4 - Cleary, Nathan	18
5 - Milford, Anthony	18
6 - Hunt, Ben	17
7 - Smith, Cameron	17
8 - Green, Blake	16
9 - Brooks, Luke	15
10 - Farah, Robbie	15

TOP 20 FROM 2019	REPEAT SETS
11 - Wighton, Jack	15
12 - Johnson, Shaun	14
13 - Moses, Mitchell	14
14 - Munster, Cameron	14
15 - Pearce, Mitchell	14
16 - Keary, Luke	13
17 - Michael Morgan	13
18 - Cherry-Evans, Daly	12
19 - Lewis, Lachlan	12
20 - Marshall, Benji	12

INCREASING HALVES VALUE

Forwards, wingers and fullbacks have dominated NRLCEO for a number of years now. Halves are often left until the mid rounds to be drafted. In reality that's just not true.

In the public leagues we are going to increase the value of halves by increasing their scoring capacity. Try assists will now be worth three points each for players selected in a starting halves slot in standard competitions.

Many competitions have already implemented this in the past few seasons and have reported it's effectiveness. Implementing this would increase the value of the top try assisters by around 15-25 points per season.

This would take players such as Luke Keary (23 try assists) up from 84 to 107 and Mitchell Moses (23 TAs) from 82 to 105. It would have made Mitchell Pearce (105 points) the top scoring half in 2019 with 125 points.

WHAT'S THE POLE DRAFT POSITION?

Last year most coaches coveted the pole position on draft day as most coaches wanted Damien Cook. Traditionally most people want a mid-table position though in a snake draft.

In this article we look at the potential advantage of a first round draft for a 10 person league with 22 man squads. We will also look at the player point spread by round and therefore identify which rounds are the most important for coaches in providing advantage against their competition.

Whilst some league commissioners have built their own complex method of drafting sequence most groups use Snake Draft (e.g. 1-2...9-10-10-9-...2-1-1-2...) or another method is a standard loop (e.g. 1-2...9-10-1-2...-9-10-1-2...) so we will focus on these two methods for our comparison.

Many people advocate for snake being equal across all players and justify it by assigning an artificial value to each position to determine a comparison (e.g.: In a snake draft all teams will be on 11 positional "points" after two rounds,

e.g. pick #1 and #10 or pick #2 and #9 etc.). This justification infers that all players will be of equal less value to the one before and we know this methodology is false as the value of pick #1 over #2 is not the same as the value of pick #11 over #12 and so forth.

To test this we have attempted to mimic the true value of these draft positions by looking at the final point spread all players from last year and allocated them to the difference drafting methods. Of course this analysis assumes everyone knows where players finish including injuries etc.

Obviously this is not the case however it does allow for analysis of player scoring across draft positions and therefore the relative strength. To reduce complexity we have ignored positions and removed points for goals. The table to the right shows total points scored for each teams 22 man squad.

	2019 Points					
Draft Position						
	Snake	Repeat 1-10				
1	1615	1661				
2	1577	1615				
3	1563	1587				
4	1557	1572				
5	1551	1556				
6	1544	1539				
7	1545	1530				
8	1540	1516				
9	1538	1500				
10	1535	1489				

Given this comparison the snake draft methodology is more equitable than the 1-10 with a smaller gap between draft team #1 and draft team #10 totals (80 vs 172) however in both cases there is a definite advantage to being higher in the draft.

Round	Point Difference
1	85
2	8
3	13
4	6
5	5
6	5
7	4
8	5
9	4
10	4
11	1
12	5
13	3
14	3
15	2
16	1
17	2
18	4
19	4
20	2
21	3
22	3

This being said there are other less qualitative advantages to being on the head or the tail of the snake draft as it allows you to pick two players in close proximity, in this case you can look for strategic selections such as handcuffing positions or kickers with minimal risk of the other half of the handcuff being taken by another coach.

In undertaking this drafting analysis we can also infer the relative strength of certain rounds in selections by comparing the point difference between selection #1 and selection #10 from each draft round. This analysis shows that the first three rounds of a draft is where there is the most significant point difference between teams.

For example in Round 1 Cook scored a massive 218 points compared to 10th Position of Cameron Murray on a respectable 133. In fact the difference between team #1 and team #10 (80) over the entire draft is almost entirely driven by the variance in Round 1.

So whilst you can win from any draft position coaches who manage to secure the first slot have a significant advantage over the other teams. In addition to this coaches should be very mindful of the first three rounds but in particular their first draft pick as this is where the variance in player scores are most significantly felt and can impact your season ahead.

If you have the option to draft Haas, don't draft Jurbo first.

AUSTRALIA'S LARGEST PROMOTION/ RELEGATION DRAFT

The Legends of League Competition is our oldest public league and it is now in its tenth year. We never could have seen that happening when we first developed the concept to pit CEO's from various competitions against each other.

Such is the popularity of this competition that many of the teams have been returning since the first year. Still after ten years, no team has ever won the Champions League twice. So the challenge is on for 2017 Champions Injury Brigade, 2015 Champions the Gurus and the inaugural 2012 winners the Bucca Bulldogs as they attempt to win for a second time.

If you haven't heard of the Legends of League tournament, then let me introduce you to Australia's biggest promotion and relegation fantasy draft tournament.

The top tier is made up of ten teams. The top four from the 2019 Champions League and the six winners of the Legends of League Division 1 competitions. They all vye for the honour of being the champion of all champions. It's the highest honour in the NRLCEO world.

The second tier is made up of six Legends of League competitions with eight teams in each league. The winner of each of these competitions competes in the next year's Champions League. The bottom two teams are relegated to the third tier.

The third tier is made up of six qualifying leagues. There are eight teams in each competition and the Grand Finalists of each of these competitions gets promoted to tier two the following year.

In each of these competitions, the top five play-off in the finals to crown the champion of each League. It is \$10 entry per team and the winners receive an awesome trophy. There are limited places available in the tier three competitions depending on who returns.

2019 LEGENDS OF LEAGUE WINNERS

Champions League: NQ All Stars

Division 1:

Allan Langer Cup: Madz Mongrels

Andrew Johns Cup: The Fighting Mongooses

Arthur Beetson Cup: Bucca Bulldogs

Clive Churchill Cup: A1A Car Washers

Mal Meninga Cup: Eskimo Broz

Wally Lewis Cup: Cooks Crushers

Division 2:

Anthony Minichiello Cup: Blackpool FC

Darren Lockyer Cup: Hindys Goats

Hazem El Masri Cup: The Salary Sombreros

Matty Bowen Cup: Barn's Scheming Seagulls

Sam Burgess Cup: Hurricanes

Stacey Jones Cup: Snaps

106 PLACES

3 TIERS OF PROMOTION & RELEGATION

TROPHIES FOR EACH COMP!

\$10 ENTRY





CHAMPION'S LEAGUE WALLY ANDREW CLIVE ALLAN ARTHUR MAL **CHURCHILL MENINGA LEWIS LANGER JOHNS BEETSON ANTHONY HAZEM DARREN MATT** SAM **STACEY EL MASRI MINICHIELLO LOCKYER BOWEN BURGESS JONES**

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE INTERVIEW

We sat down with the 2019 Champion's League winner, Jason "Millsy" Mills and his team the NQ All Stars, to find out his strategy to win the comp and if he had any tips for fellow CEOs.

"First of all I would like to say a huge thank you to JB, Mig and everyone involved with NRLCEO. All you guys that help out with the scoring and stats each week, you don't go unnoticed. Your hard work in your own free time is very much appreciated."

Q. How long have you been playing NRLCEO?

A. I started playing in 2010 with a bunch of nuffies from the Raiders Greenhouse Forum. A guy named Lurch started an eight team comp not long before the season started. We had no idea what we were doing at the start or how the scoring worked. Somehow we got the draft done the day the NRL season was to start after a few very late nights drafting.

I remember my first three draft picks in my NRLCEO history - Thurston, Inglis, and Slater, not a bad bunch!

Lucky for us we had a guy on the forum named Ferret86 (Commish JB) look after us over the next few years.

Q. Is this your greatest victory of all?

A. Yeah it was for sure! Considering the players I had out. Some were injured and some got rested in the final week. Lucky I kept a few terminations up my sleeve. During the first three weeks of finals Nathan Cleary was a complete fucking bum. I finally had enough and ditched his arse haha then he pulled the biggest fluke job out of that arse four tries and nine goals! More points than he'd got all year just about.

Keary and Rapana were rested so I moved King Gutho to 5/8, Papenhuyzen to FB, Blake Green started at HB, he played his best game, I picked up Isaako as kicker and winger, also grabbed Scott Bolton WH and Jackson Ford - bench WH.

Mika Sivo was my GF MVP with three tries. He had a beast of a year.

Q. Who was the worst player you drafted in the Champions League in 2019?

A. The worst player I drafted was Josh Mansour. What a shit show he was to have up until I dropped him. The Panthers left edge was trash all year.

Q. Who was your first draft pick in the Champions League and were you happy with him?

A. In any CEO season you need some luck. I happened to get the #1 draft pick for 2019.

I took "The Goat" Damien Cook.

It was an easy selection, but you still need to put a good team around him. He was immense up until Origin, his form was outstanding Souths were on fire and playing great. After Origin he slowed down somewhat and looked flat at times but he was still getting a DWH a week and extra points on the side. Thank you Goat.

Q. What is your general drafting strategy?

A. Since 2012 in my second year of the Legends of League Comp, I have drafted pretty much the same way - old school NRLCEO. In 2011 I watched Dominant Tackle rip it up all year, he drafted his forwards first and built a quality team around them, his team was very consistent and he won pretty easy. I know this because he rolled me in the GF. The first six rounds I like to get a quality forward pack drafted, 2 x Props, a #9, Lock and 2 x Backrowers.

Quality WH forwards give you consistent scoring most of the time, where as the flashy backs put the icing on the forwards cake for you!

I like to let others reach for those flashy backs early in the draft, it means I can get another quality forward early. How early will injury plagued Tommy Turbo go in 2020???

Q. If you get second pick in the draft in 2020, who will you pick?

A. Cam McInnes or Payne Hass.

Q. How was the pressure in the final few weeks?

A. I didn't really feel much pressure during the finals. I did for a while against Luke Davico's Thighs in the Prelim Final - both our teams were below par that week. It was low scoring and I thought I was gone at one stage, but I managed to hang on and win 46-43 and advance to the GF. I got off to a fast start in the GF against Injury Brigade, Cook, Sivo, and Blake Green scored well and I was in front all weekend.

Q. How did you feel when you realised you won the Champions League?

A. It took a while to sink in after a few Rumbo's! I was ecstatic and over the moon. It is an awesome feeling to have won the ultimate prize, The Champions League.

It was my 10th year of NRLCEO and fourth attempt in the Champions League. I had finally got to the top of the CEO Mountain. I must say the view from the top is pretty bloody good!

Q. How many people have you met through NRLCEO?

A. Being from FNQ, I live up near Atherton I don't get to meet many others from NRLCEO. I met a few guys from the Greenhouse Comp - Greg in Canberra and Aaron who was living up in Cairns for a while.

I met some other bloke at Canberra Stadium a few times. A good man is the Commish. He had a beer waiting for me.

I have been playing NRLCEO with Sylvester (Injury Brigade) since 2012. We were on the GH for a number or years, then I got him over to the Meninga Legends comp a few years ago. It's great we are both here in the Champions League together. We chat a fair bit during the season and even during the Draft.

Q. Who will be your biggest rival in the Champions League in 2020?

A. My biggest Rival will be Injury Brigade because we know each others game inside and out. We play a very similar style. In my four years in the CL his teams are always strong and very competitive. He is always at the pointy end after the regular season. He won the comp in 2017 and has been in a few other GFs.

I need to mention Mig as well, When I started CEO a decade ago Mig was the Godfather name in the comp.

I always wanted to make it to the Champions League and play against him and beat him of course.

Q. Any more tips for those wanting to win the Holy Grail?

A. Before you do your drafts, be prepared - have a draft plan in mind - whether it be positions you want to draft, like myself first 6 rds I want quality forwards etc...

I have an A4 book I have had for ages and I have all my drafted teams written it in.

Try to stick to your draft plan as much as you can. Don't get caught up worrying about who others are taking.

Don't be a sheep and play follow the leader, backs are going off the board so I better get in on the act.

Take your time with each selection and don't panic!





Jason "Millsy" Mills (NQ All Stars)

SAM KA\$HIANO CUP

Our users have always enjoyed our public league competitions, but there are some CEOs who want to take their passion to the next level!

There are some users who want to put their skills and their money where their mouth is. Ten mad men (some syndicates) stump up \$250 each in the name of fantasy footy in the hope of winning the \$2,000 winners cheque, or \$400 for second place.

The 2019 winner was the Balding Eagles. A quiet entry into this year's competition, what he lacked in sledging, he made up with fantasy quile. Also, he had Damien Cook.

This competition is only for the committed. The draft is fast paced and brutal. The ruling challenges are as intense as any competition between close mates.

Unfortunately the intensity is so high that you need to commit even more than regular fantasy. You need the addiction a modern day player has with recording all of his most intimate moments on camera. No regrets.

So if you want to take part in the 2020 draft please get in touch through our social media channels and we'll let you know which cash competitions have places.

COMPETITION RULES

SQUAD SIZE: 24

TERMINATION COUNT: 26

TERMINATION DEADLINE: NIL

TRADE DEADLINE: Start of Round 20

MAX KICKER POINTS: 13

Points: Tries (4) | Goals (2) | Workhorses (4) | Try Assists (Halves 3, Others 2) | Line Breaks (1)

Field Goal (1) | 40/20 (1) | Sin Bin (-2) | Send off (-6)

Bench: Tries, Workhorses, and Try Assists are Half Points

Captains: Double Points



Q&A WITH MR MONEYBAGS

- Q. What made you want to throw \$250 on the line in the name of fantasy footy?
- A. I have been playing NRLCEO for years, it's always entertaining but putting a bit of cash on the line makes it that little bit more fun.
- Q. Is this your greatest victory of all?
- A. Besides drawing the U/15s Port Sharks Rugby League Grand Final 20 years ago absolutely.
- Q. Did your drafting strategy change with the money on the line?
- A. Not really it makes it more stressful but it doesn't really change the way you do it. I take fantasy footy way too seriously as it is.
- Q. Who was your first draft pick in the Sam Ka\$hiano and were you happy with him?
- A. Damien Cook he was ok I guess. The others in the comp thought that's the only reason I won, but I clearly had the superior side. Cook was just the cherry on top.
- Q. Who was the worst player you drafted in the Sam Ka\$hiano in 2019?
- A. Pick 2 was David Fusitua (it was an auto draft stuff up) but geeeeez he was bad this year.
- Q. How was the pressure in the final few weeks?
- A. I was over in Europe on holiday so didn't really watch many of the finals games due to the time difference. I was confident though. I was already spending the \$2K that I knew I would win.

- Q. How did you feel when you realised you won the \$2,000?
- A. Not bad. I was drunk for majority of my trip anyway.
- Q. Who will be your biggest rival in the Sam Ka\$hiano in 2020?
- A. I have no idea who any of the other CEO's are really, so no one. I was on top all year anyway so there were no real threats.
- Q. If you had first pick in the draft, who would you pick?
- A. I would consider picking Cook again, maybe.





MOCK«SNAKE«DRAF«

This mock draft was undertaken by a group of absolute NRLCEO addicts! What started last year as a draft only, ended up being a fully fledged competition between players from seven different leagues such was their passion for the draft.

They have undertaken this draft based on all the new scoring options. This includes:

Tries (4), try assists (3 for halves, 2 for all other positions), line breaks (1), line break assists (1), workhorses (4), metre eaters (2), repeats sets (1), field goals (1), 40/20's (1), sin bins (-2) and send offs (-4).

Enjoy picking apart their picks and hopefully this gives you an idea on trends to how CEO's will be thinking in this year's draft.





FINAL TEAMS

NICK

M.Moylan

C.Oates

J.Croker (K)

J.Manu

A.Johnston

B.Marshall

B.Croft

A.Fifita

D.Cook

J.Graham

J.Jackson

TPJ

D.Finucane

J.Thompson

D.Napa

K.Nikorima

C.Thompson

B.Smith

B. Takairangi

R.Sutton

J.Luai

E.Aitken

ADAM

K. Ponga (K)

D. Tupou

B. Kelly

W. Blake

B. Simonnson

J. Wighton

M. Pearce

P. Vaughan C. McInnes

M. Fotuaika

J. Bateman

B. Cordner

E. Lowe

S. Lane

W. Egan

J. O'Neill

D. Gagai

A. Blair

M. Lino

L. Knight

A. Glenn

A. Elliot

ROB

D. Edwards

C. Graham

L. Mitchell

J. Bird

K. Maumalo

AJ Brimson

K. Flanagan (K)

A. Tolman

J. Granville

M. Eisenhuth

K. Bromwich

W. Graham

J. Trbojevic

L. Burr

L. Fitzgibbon

C. Watson M. Seve

R. Robson

J. Mansour

N. Cotric

T. Burgess

L. Leilua

WILL

C. Gutherson

J. Addo-Carr

J. Ramien

H. Hunt

B. To'o

D. Walker

M. Moses (K)

P. Haas

J. Brailey

J. McLean

R. Matterson

K. Proctor

I. Yeo

J. Marshall-King

T. Glasby

M. Morgan

E. Lee

J. Tapine

M. Aubusson

M. Suli

P. Sami

T. Sims

MATT

J. Tedesco

R. Garrick (K)

K. Staggs

B. Xerri

D. Nofoaluma

C. Walker

B. Wakeham

D. Klemmer

J. Friend

A. Woods

D. Fifita S. Wright

J. Tevaga

AFB

B. Magoulis

B. Smith

J. Saab

L. Martin

J. Turpin

J. Su'a

P. Carrigan

P. Crossland

SCOTT

CNK

B. Ferguson M. Jennings

J. Morris

B. Morris

S. Johnson (K)

DCE

RCG R. Mahoney

J. Tamou

F. Kaufusi

E. Whitehead

V. Radley

M. Rein

C. Sironen J. Leilua C. Munster

B. Lawrie

A. Guerra

C. Hess

J. Bromwich A. Don

MICK

T. Trbojevic

M. Sivo

J. Roberts

B. Burns J. Dugan

A. Milford

A. Reynolds (K)

A. Twal

A. McCullough J. Wallace

M. Barnett

T. Frizell C. Murray

T. Merrin

B. Brailev

B. Green DWZ

CHN

J. Williams

J. Kahu K. Capewell

C. Townsend

JEZ

RTS

D. Fusitua

B. Naden

J. Olam

S. Vunivalu

D. Brown

N. Cleary (K)

J. Papali'i

J. Hodgson JFH

G. Cooper

J. McGuire N. Brown

G. Williams

T. Peachev A. Koroisau

M. Chee-kam

T. Sailor

R. Jennings T. Lafai

> L. Lewis J. Taufua

JOE

R. Papenhuyzen

K. Feldt

W. Hopoate

C. Scott

R. Hall C. Norman

B. Hunt

R. James C. Smith (K)

JWH

T. Harris

I. Papalii J. Arrow

S. Taukeiaho

L. Garner R. Smith D. Boyd

J. Ford N. Butcher

A. Douiehi

K. Mann S. Verrills

DAN

V. Holmes

Z. Lomax (K)

J. Hughes

P. Hiku J. Okunbor

L. Keary L. Brooks

M. Taupau

N. Peats M. Lodge A. Crichton

J. Taumalolo

B. Nikora

B. Hampton

S. Drinkwater H. Ese'ese V. Kikau

B. Best

Z. Tetevano

D. Levi B. Cartwright

J. Reynolds

SUPPORTERS LEAGUE

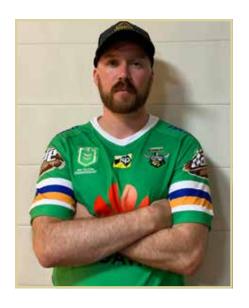
Look at these blokes! It looks like a line-up at the cop shop for a murder... These blokes are in fact looking happy for a reason. They are wearing these jerseys because they won them in last years Supporters Leagues.

NRLCEO runs multiple Supporters Leagues where CEOs get to pick the best six players from their favourite club, and then everyone else goes into the draft. We asked last year's winners who they'll be picking this time around.

RAIDERS

(JAMIE)

John Bateman
Elliott Whitehead
Josh Papalii
Josh Hodgson
Charnze NicollKlokstad
Jarrod Croker



SHARKS (MICHAEL)

Andrew Fifita
Aaron Woods
Bronson Xerri
Jesse Ramien
Shaun Johnson
Josh Morris



This was the hardest decision I've had to make for the last few years. Normally the Raiders backline players to target were Leipana and that's it.

The landscape has changed significantly and I had to toss up between Jarrod and Jack. I get the feeling that Jarrod will score plenty chasing down the point scoring records this year.

I went with Josh Morris over Blayke Brailey and Wade Graham as my sixth pick.

The addition of Cameron King should hamper Brailey's CEO output, and Graham just never plays enough games over a season anymore.

RAIDERS

(THOM)

John Bateman
Josh Hodgson
Josh Papalii
Elliott Whitehead
Charnze NicollKlokstad
Jack Wighton



RABBITOHS

(MIKEY)

Damien Cook
Cameron Murray
Cody Walker
Adam Reynolds
Latrell Mitchell
Ethan Lowe



With the restructure of points for halves the last spot was a toss-up between Jack Wighton and George Williams.

With Williams untested in the NRL I'm banking on Jack to continue his form from last year and win back to back Clive Churchill medals! But this time on the winning side! Souths are very light on in the forwards from a CEO perspective outside of God and Cameron "Better than Victor" Murray.

If Arrow is there it's a no brainer, otherwise Ethan should take Sutton's starting spot and has a much better work rate than Sutto, so should get big minutes as well.

SUPER LEAGUE SCOUTING

It's a pretty bizarre year where there are far more players heading over to the Super League than heading to the NRL.

There are 12 players heading over to the northern hemisphere and only five others coming to Australasia.

The biggest signing by far is English half **George Williams**. The Raiders have taken an extreme risk by punting the half that took them to a Grand Final and signing a very talented half, but one that is extremely similar to Jack Wighton.

In 29 games in 2019, Williams would have scored the equivalent of at least 140 NRLCEO points. He scored 14 tries, had 21 try assists (=4th in the Super League), 18 line breaks and 12 metre eaters.

His point scoring potential in the Super League has been very similar to Blake Austin, which will either excite or panic Raiders fans. The difference is, Williams is notably stronger in defence than the turnstile Blake Austin.

The biggest concern overall though is Williams similarity in playing style to Jack Wighton. He is a noted runner of the ball and scores many of his tries through back-up play on the inside. Most of his highlights have been on the left hand side for Wigan.

Many pundits were hoping to get a good look at him for the Lions Tour but he didn't get a run until the last game. Overall, he's a good prospect, but a mid to lower draft prospect. Remember, most in your competition will likely sleep on him as they do with most British prospects.



After a one year stint with the Leeds Rhinos, *Trent Merrin* returns to his old stomping ground of St George. He hasn't played in the Dragons colours since 2015. In those halcyon days he was a genuine workhorse, but at 30 years old he is starting to slow down.

It's most likely that he will come off the bench and we know he has the best impact when he plays big minutes from the start of the game. If you are an old Merrin fan and he did you well in the past he would be worth a last round punt for shits and giggles, but I'm not expecting much.



Cameron King returns from his gap year playing in the English second division for Featherstone Rovers. The nicest man in rugby league struggled to get a contract last year so flew out to become a fan favourite at Featherstone, scoring 18 tries in 25 games and almost leading them to a fairytale promotion.

Unfortunately that's where the fairytale ends for King. He will be playing second fiddle to Blayke Brailey at the Sharks. Brailey himself will be stepping out of his brother Jayden's shadow. It's not worth drafting King for back-up purposes. Just be ready to pull the trigger on him if Brailey goes down injured throughout the year.

Former Shark, Bulldogs and Rabbitoh **Bryson Goodwin** is returning to the NRL for his last stint. At 33 years of age, he is coming back to finish off his career and play his role as a versatile veteran.

SUPER LEAGUE SCOUTING

For Warrington in 2019 he scored 8 tries, a try assist, 16 line breaks and 9 metre eaters for a minimum of 68 NRLCEO points.

Goodwin has always been a solid NRLCEO contributor but never a star. He has returns of 68 (2017), 63 (2016), 38 (2015), 15 (2014) and 62 (2013). Sadly, he won't be getting near those returns in this Rabbitohs line-up.



Another journeyman of sorts, although a younger version, is the 27 year old Fijian *Brayden Wiliame*.

He has spent the last three seasons in the south of France playing for the Catalans Dragons. In 77 appearances in total he scored 34 tries including 10 in 2019. He helped them to their first ever Challenge Cup victory.

I can't see him making an impact on the Dragons 2020 squad unless there are multiple injuries to their backline. He is behind Euan Aitken and Tim Lafai in the centres and can play wing as well but sits behind Tristan Sailor, Jordan Pereira and Jason Saab.



On the flip side, we've lost a bunch of players to the Super League but none are irreplaceable:

- James Maloney (Catalans)
- Gareth Widdop (Warrington)
- Aidan Sezer (Huddersfield)
- George Burgess (Wigan)
- Manu Ma'u (Hull FC)
- · Sosaia Feki (Castleford)
- **Shaun Kenny-Dowall** (Hull KR)
- Mahe Fonua (Hull FC)
- · James Gavet (Huddersfield)
- Tevita Satae (Hull FC)
- Ligi Sao (Hull FC)
- Leilani Latu (Leeds)



DREAM TEAM



























PLAYER	POSITION	GAMES	TR	GL	WH	ME	TA	LB	LBA	R SET	40/20	TOTAL
Tedesco, James	FB	21	15	0	0	29	14	22	16	2	0	186
Maumalo, Ken	WG	23	17	0	0	26	0	18	0	1	0	139
Mitchell, Latrell	CT	22	18	89	0	7	11	13	14	3	1	140
Xerri, Bronson	CT	21	12	0	0	18	10	11	12	1	0	128
Sivo, Maika	WG	23	20	0	0	11	2	22	0	0	0	126
Walker, Cody	FE	22	15	0	0	3	16	16	17	10	0	157
Brooks, Luke	НВ	23	4	0	0	6	22	3	13	15	0	129
Haas, Payne	FR	20	4	0	24	24	0	6	0	0	0	166
Cook, Damien	HK	23	3	0	33	6	18	6	20	8	0	226
Fisher-Harris, James	FR LK	24	2	0	26	6	5	2	7	0	0	143
Bromwich, Kenny	BR	24	5	0	18	2	12	8	13	0	0	141
Matterson, Ryan	BR	20	5	0	21	5	3	4	4	3	0	135
Murray, Cameron	LK	23	10	0	19	1	2	7	4	0	0	133

TOP PLAYERS BY POSITION

FULLBACKS	TR	TA	LB	ME	TOTAL
Tedesco, James	15	14	22	29	186
Gutherson, Clinton	8	13	11	20	138
Tuivasa-Sheck, Roger	7	10	14	29	131
Ponga, Kalyn	11	10	16	7	112
N-Klokstad, Charnze	11	4	8	21	106

HOOKERS	TR	TA	WH	ME	TOTAL
Cook, Damien	3	18	33	6	226
Smith, Cameron	2	16	23	1	176
McInnes, Cameron	3	5	29	1	156
Hodgson, Josh	2	16	17	1	140
Mahoney, Reed	5	3	22	0	128

WINGERS	TR	TA	LB	ME	TOTAL
Maumalo, Ken	17	0	18	26	139
Sivo, Maika	20	2	22	11	126
Tupou, Daniel	15	5	12	18	123
Addo-Carr, Josh	14	3	16	8	96
Oates, Corey	13	1	13	13	94
Hiku, Peta	6	10	10	12	93
Garrick, Reuben	16	3	11	3	90
Dugan, Josh	11	4	8	11	87
Ferguson, Blake	9	4	9	13	84
Gagai, Dane	9	3	6	13	77

FRONT ROWERS	TR	WH	DWH	ME	TOTAL
Haas, Payne	4	24	2	24	166
Fisher-Harris, James	2	26	4	6	143
Tolman, Aiden	0	28	7	4	118
Papalii, Josh	5	16	0	10	117
Klemmer, David	0	21	1	14	117
Tamou, James	4	20	1	3	112
Vaughan, Paul	2	21	2	7	111
Taupau, Martin	2	18	0	10	104
Lodge, Matthew	1	19	0	10	104
Fonua-Blake, Addin	4	10	0	13	93

CENTRES	TR	TA	LB	ME	TOTAL
Mitchell, Latrell	18	11	13	7	140
Xerri, Bronson	12	10	11	18	128
Hopoate, William	5	9	5	22	103
Morris, Josh	14	4	13	9	99
Kelly, Brian	8	6	11	16	94
Hughes, Jahrome	8	11	10	6	93
Hiku, Peta	6	10	10	12	93
Croker, Jarrod	12	6	12	4	87
Staggs, Kotoni	11	2	9	12	85
Marsters, Esan	9	3	6	14	82

BACK ROWERS	TR	TA	WH	ME	TOTAL
Bromwich, Kenny	5	12	18	2	141
Matterson, Ryan	5	3	21	5	131
Bateman, John	4	4	18	5	116
Jackson, Josh	3	2	21	0	105
Barnett, Mitchell	7	5	14	0	105
Crichton, Angus	2	5	17	3	102
Whitehead, Elliott	3	9	15	0	101
Cooper, Gavin	3	1	19	0	94
Proctor, Kevin	2	0	20	0	91
Papalii, Isaiah	2	0	19	0	88

FIVE EIGHTHS	TR	TA	LB	R SET	TOTAL
Walker, Cody	15	16	17	10	157
Munster, Cameron	7	18	17	14	131
Milford, Anthony	6	15	11	18	118
Marshall, Benji	3	21	14	12	111
Wighton, Jack	7	8	8	15	100

LOCKS	TR	WH	DWH	ME	TOTAL
Fisher-Harris, James	2	26	4	6	143
Murray, Cameron	10	19	0	1	133
Taumalolo, Jason	3	15	1	23	131
Klemmer, David	0	21	1	14	117
Trbojevic, Jake	2	23	0	1	113

HALF BACKS	TR	TA	LB	R SET	TOTAL
Brooks, Luke	4	22	13	15	129
Cleary, Nathan	10	11	12	18	120
Moses, Mitchell	2	23	18	14	119
Cherry-Evans, Daly	4	20	14	12	119
Pearce, Mitchell	8	20	22	14	119

KICKERS	GOALS	ATTEMPTS	%
Smith, Cameron	99	125	79%
Mitchell, Latrell	89	119	75%
Reynolds, Adam	87	106	82%
Moses, Mitchell	86	105	82%
Croker, Jarrod	82	114	73%

TOP 100 PLAYERS IN 2019

#	Player	Score	Position Rank	#	Player	Score	Position Rank
1	Cook, Damien	226	HK1	51	Norman, Corey	98	FE6
2	Tedesco, James	186	FB1	52	Keary, Luke	97	FE7
3	Smith, Cameron	176	HK2	53	Addo-Carr, Josh	96	WG4
4	Haas, Payne	166	FR1	54	Reynolds, Adam	95	HB8
5	Walker, Cody	157	FE1	55	Papenhuyzen, Ryan	95	FB6
6	McInnes, Cameron	156	HK3	56	Kelly, Brian	94	CT5
7	Fisher-Harris, James	143	LK1, FR2	57	Cooper, Gavin	94	BR8
8	Bromwich, Kenny	141	BR1	58	Oates, Corey	94	WG5
9	Mitchell, Latrell	140	CT1	59	Hughes, Jahrome	93	CT6, HB9
10	Hodgson, Josh	140	HK4	60	Hiku, Peta	93	CT7, WG6
11	Maumalo, Ken	139	WG1	61	Morgan, Michael	93	HB10
12	Gutherson, Clinton	138	FB2	62	Rein, Mitch	93	HK7
13	Murray, Cameron	133	LK2	63	Tevaga, Jazz	93	LK9
14	Munster, Cameron	131	FE2	64	Fonua-Blake, Addin	93	FR9
15	Tuivasa-Sheck, Roger	131	FB3	65	Johnson, Shaun	92	FE8
16	Matterson, Ryan	131	BR2	66	Radley, Victor	92	LK10
17	Taumalolo, Jason	131	LK3	67	Watson, Connor	92	FE9
18	Brooks, Luke	129	HB1	68	Green, Blake	91	FE10
19	Xerri, Bronson	128	CT2	69	Proctor, Kevin	91	BR9
20	Mahoney, Reed	128	HK5	70	Garrick, Reuben	90	WG7
21	Sivo, Maika	126	WG2	71	McCullough, Andrew	88	HK8
22	Tupou, Daniel	123	WG3	72	Papalii, Isaiah	88	BR10
23	Cleary, Nathan	120	HB2	73	Croker, Jarrod	87	CT8
24	Moses, Mitchell	119	HB3	74	Dugan, Josh	87	WG8
25	Cherry-Evans, Daly	119	HB4	75	Staggs, Kotoni	85	CT9
26	Pearce, Mitchell	119	HB5	76	Nikora, Briton	85	BR11
27	Milford, Anthony	118	FE3	77	Wallace, Jarrod	85	LK11, BR12
28	Tolman, Aiden	118	FR3	78	Roberts, Tyrone	84	FE11
29	Hunt, Ben	117	HB6	79	Ferguson, Blake	84	WG9
30	Papalii, Josh	117	FR4	80	Twal, Alex	84	FR10
31	Klemmer, David	117	LK4, FR5	81	Marsters, Esan	82	CT10
32	Bateman, John	116	BR3	82	Trbojevic, Tom	82	FB7
33	Trbojevic, Jake	113	LK5	83	Lawrie, Blake	82	LK12, FR11
34	Ponga, Kalyn	112	FB4	84	Brailey, Jayden	81	HK9
35	Tamou, James	112	FR6	85	W-Hargreaves, Jared	81	FR12
36	Townsend, Chad	111	HB7	86	Aitken, Euan	80	CT11
37	Marshall, Benji	111	FE4	87	Gagai, Dane	77 77	CT12
38	Vaughan, Paul	111	FR6	88	Harawira-Naera, Corey		BR13
39	Finucane, Dale	108	LK6	89	Graham, Campbell	76	WG10
40	Granville, Jake	106	HK6	90	Fifita, Andrew	76	FR13
41	N-Klokstad, Charnze	106	FB5	91 02	Fainu, Manase	75 74	HK10
42	Barnett, Mitchell	105	LK7, BR4	92	Feldt, Kyle	74	WG11
43	Jackson, Josh	105	BR5	93	Eisenhuth, Matt	74	LK13, FR14
44 45	Taupau, Martin	104	FR7	94 05	Lane, Shaun	74 74	BR14
45 46	Lodge, Matthew	104	FR8	95 06	Arrow, Jai	74	LK14, FR15
46 47	Hopoate, William	103	CT3	96 97	Takairangi, Brad	74 71	BR15, CT13
47 48	Crichton, Angus	102	LK8, BR6 BR7	97 09	Sironen, Curtis	71 71	BR16
48 49	Whitehead, Elliott	101	FE5	98 99	Thompson, Corey	71 70	FB8, WG12
49 50	Wighton, Jack	100	CT4		Taukeiaho, Siosiua	70 70	LK15, FR16
30	Morris, Josh	99	014	100	McGuire, Josh	70	LK17, BR17, FR17

POINTS BREAKDOWN

We've analysed each club's NRLCEO points scored from last season to work out where their points came from. Some teams like the Cowboys get most of their points through the middle, while others like the Rabbitohs give the edge to the backs.

	BACKS 551 / 46%	1192	FORWARDS 641 / 54%
BRONCOS	331/40%		041/ J4A
	BACKS	1209	FORWARDS
(*)	539 / 45%	1209	670 / 55%
W.	BACKS	1076	FORWARDS
A	506 / 47%	1076	570 / 53%
1 5	DAOKC	1001	FORWARDS
Surjects	BACKS 662 / 66%	1001	FORWARDS 339 / 34%
TITANS	BACKS	1147	FORWARDS
700	563 / 49%	1177	584 / 51%
	BACKS	1174	FORWARDS
	570 / 49%	11/4	604 / 51%
4.	BACKS	4007	FORWARDS
4	629 / 49%	1287	658 / 51%
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Knights	BACKS 455 / 41%	1102	FORWARDS 647/59%
NAMESTIA			
4	BACKS	1100	FORWARDS
COMBOAS	475 / 43%	1100	625 / 57%
	BACKS	1200	FORWARDS
Valence 5	655 / 54%	1209	554 / 46%
	BACKS	1050	FORWARDS
	751 / 56%	1352	601 / 44%
PANTHERS	BACKS 404 / 41%	974	FORWARDS 570 / 59%
	1017 110		676, 656
	BACKS	1240	FORWARDS
	558 / 4 5%	1270	682 / 55%
	BACKS	1100	FORWARDS
RABBITOMS	604 / 54%	1120	516 / 46%
**	BACKS	40 = =	FORWARDS
	622 / 50%	12 <mark>55</mark>	633/50%
	BACKS 504 / 54%	935	FORWARDS 431 / 46%
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Premiers

Win % 61.1

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2015

2016

2017

2018

2019

Our 2020 Prediction **8**th

> **Odds** \$19



VEGAN DELIGHTS

The once glamour club of yesteryear is officially no more and now under the reign of Seibold. Could the Broncos be any less imposing than they were in 2019?

After a season of abject failure culminating in a record breaking finals capitulation, the Broncos players responded during the off-season with more of the same – cue James Segeyaro.

After Seggy decided natural talent and hard work wasn't enough, two of the big names decided to say "hold my beer, Seggy" in another off season from hell.

Star backrower, David Fifita decided that the inside of a Balinese jail was more attractive than the beaches whilst Captain Boyd not only refused to take ownership of his insipid on-field performances but encouraged the squad to turn to tofu burgers and lettuce for inspiration – what a leader!

Clearly the latter is unbelievable and if Darius thinks that turning vegan is going to enable the likes of Haas, Lodge and Pangai Jr to fire up, then their season is doomed before it has even started!

For the NRLCEO Coach, the Broncos possess some serious draft targets. Payne Haas is an absolute beast and is probably the #1 front row target in the game at the moment.

With Matt Gillett retiring, Fifita could be looking at bigger minutes on the right edge but despite only being a baby, he hasn't threatened a workhorse often enough to be considered alongside Haas in terms of NRLCEO quality.

In a sad and obvious decline, Andrew McCullough has been a popular hooking draft target but his starting position looks severely under threat (from Turpin, NOT Segeyaro). He is no longer an 80 minute hooker.

In the backs, Corey Oates is a tried and tested NRLCEO commodity.

Looking over the Broncos squad, the real uncertainty about it comes with the implementation of Darius. The signature of Brodie Croft looks to be a good fit and surely the only vacancy for Boyd is the right wing?

In all likeliness, Anthony Milford will return to the #6 and in a revelation (just like every other pre-season) we are hearing that the Milf is fitter and faster than ever (insert rolling eyes here).

In his preferred position of fullback, Jamayne Isaako looks most likely to take the boots but based on his 2019 season where he burnt many a coach, you could be forgiven for being majorly concerned. A move to fullback has been touted for the youngster and that could be exactly what he needs.

Overall, in a desperate search for their long awaited 7th premiership, Seibold could be in the mood to try a few things this season. It was anticipated that the Broncos would have a good season last year but predicting their 2020, it's a case of 'once bitten, twice shy'...

PLAYER GAINS

BRODIE CROFT JORDAN KAHU JESSE ARTHARS JAMIL HOPOATE
XAVIER COATES

PLAYER LOSSES

TROY DARGAN
MATT GILLETT
SHAUN FENSOM
SAM TAGATAESE

GEORGE FAI
PATRICK MAGO
JAMES SEGEVARO
GEHAMAT SHIBASAKI



AWAY

HOME





ROOKIE WATCH:

Lachlan Timm

The busiest player in the NSW Cup somehow found himself on the wrong side of Mary McGregor in 2019 and moves onto a new club.

The 23-year old prop ran for over 4,000 metres in 2019 (2nd in the comp) and made over 850 tackles (1st in comp). He also lead the competition in decoy runs and post contact metres. There is quite a heavy backlog of props in the Broncos system, but none of them have the work ethic or stats per minute rate of Timm.

It will be interesting to see what Anthony Siebold does with him, but he is well worthy of a last round draft pick just in case. Young workhorses are few and far between so you need to get in fast!

Suncorp Stadium

Friday 4 September





NRLCEO FINALS BEGIN

ROUND 22





STRONGEST POSSIBLE TEAM

FOR THE 2020 NRL SEASON

P. HAAS

8. FRONT ROW

A. MCCULLOUGH

9. HOOKER

M. LODGE

10. FRONT ROW

A. GLENN

11. BACK ROW

T. PANGAI JNR

13. LOCK

D. FIFITA

12. BACK ROW

A. MILFORD

6. FIVE EIGHTH

B. CROFT

7. HALFBACK

J. BIRD

3. CENTRE

K. STAGGS

4. CENTRE

C. OATES

2. WINGER

J. ISAAKO

1. FULLBACK

D. BOYD

5. WINGER

J. TURPIN

14. RESERVE

T. FLEGLER

15. RESERVE

J. OFAHENGAUE

16. RESERVE

P. CARRIGAN

17. RESERVE

COACHED BY - ANTHONY SEIBOLD - 54% WIN RATE

CASUALTY WARD

Sean O'Sullivan

Knee

Mid Season

2019 POINTS BREAKDOWN



BACKS 1192 FORWARDS 641/54%

PLAYER	POSITION	GAMES	TR	TA	LB	LBA	WH	ME	2019 TOTAL	3 YEAR AVG	POTENTIAL
Haas, Payne	FR	20	4	0	6	0	24	24	166	DNP	-
Milford, Anthony	FE	23	6	15	8	11	0	4	118	80	-
Lodge, Matthew	FR	21	1	0	1	3	19	10	104	33	-
Oates, Corey	WG	21	13	1	13	1	0	13	94	109	1
McCullough, Andrew	НК	21	1	5	4	5	16	0	88 (90)	89	1
Staggs, Kotoni	CT KP 2	23	11	2	9	4	0	12	85 (115)	16	-
Croft, Brodie	НВ	22	5	6	7	3	1	1	64 (72)	13	-
Fifita, David	BR	23	7	2	11	1	3	2	60	12	1
Glenn, Alex	BR	20	2	1	1	2	10	2	57	49	-
Pangai Junior, Tevita	LK BR	18	2	1	1	2	8	5	51	27	-
Boyd, Darius	СТ	24	3	6	4	8	1	1	47	73	1
Turpin, Jake	НК	14	3	9	4	9	1	0	47	DNP	1
Isaako, Jamayne	FB KP 7	21	4	4	7	1	0	4	41 (145)	32 (48)	1
Bird, Jack	СТ	9	2	3	1	7	1	7	41	46	-
Ofahengaue, Joe	FR	19	1	1	1	1	6	2	36	33	-
Kahu, Jordan	CT WG KP 1	19	1	4	2	3	0	2	23 (103	49 (121)	-
Carrigan, Patrick	BR FR	18	0	0	0	0	4	1	18	DNP	-
O'Sullivan, Sean	НВ	5	0	3	0	4	1	0	17	DNP	-
Arthars, Jesse	СТ	12	2	1	2	2	0	0	14	DNP	-
Flegler, Thomas	LK FR	22	1	0	2	0	0	1	8	DNP	-
Coates, Xavier	WG	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	DNP	-
Perrett, Lloyd	FR	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	3	7	-
Kennar, Richie	WG	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	3	16	-
Dearden, Thomas	НВ	5	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	DNP	-
Kennedy, Rhys	FR	8	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	DNP	-
Palasia, Keenan	BR	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	-
Perese, Izaia	СТ	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	-
Farnworth, Herbie	WG	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	-
Hopoate, Jamil	LK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Paix, Corey	FE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
TR - Try	TA - Try Assist	L	.B - Lir	ne Brea	ak		LBA -	Line B	reak Assist	WH - W	Vorkhorse

GOALKICKING OPTIONS

* - Denotes Super League Stats

JAMAYNE ISAAKO

ME - Metre Eater

- 7 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 53/67 (79%) **Career:** 150/184 (82%)

KOTONI STAGGS

- 2 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 14/21 (67%) **Career:** 14/21 (67%)

JORDAN KAHU

(###) - Points incl Goals

- 1 KICKER POINT - **2019**: 40/54 (70%)

2019: 40/54 (/0%) **Career:** 185/242 (76%)

STUD

DNP - Did Not Play

Payne Haas is a Double Workhorse Beast in waiting. 24 workhorses, 24 metre eaters and four tries – all in his debut season!! He'll be the first frontrower picked across all competitions.

SLEEPER

Kotoni Staggs will look to see more try line action this year with the much-needed stability in the Broncos halves. The proven try scorer in Q-Cup and 6th highest scoring centre in 2019 will sleep on most people's lists but will star in this Broncos backline.

DUD

Darius Boyd is the type of player who won't show up, put his body on the line or encourage any other team-mate to do the same. Captain Dud and getting the award two years in a row for the Broncos, earns him platinum membership.

GAMBLE

Hookers are such a valuable NRLCEO asset and McCullough has been a CEO mainstay, but why not take a gamble on *Jake Turpin*. He isn't the tackling machine of his mentor yet, but he is a far better play maker and the defence stats will come.





Ricky seemingly has the boys buzzing and whilst they narrowly lost in the big dance last year, there's plenty to like about their

lost in the big dance last year, there's plenty to like about their 2020 prospects.

Post grand final blues seem to be the only reason why the Raiders won't repeat their successes of 2019. Their roster remains relatively intact despite Jordan Rapana leaving for a stint in Japanese Rugby and Aiden Sezer to the Super League.

For the NRLCEO coach, the Raiders are a consistent team and Ricky shouldn't feel the need to tinker with what worked last year.

However, the right attacking edge will require a makeover with new recruit Curtis Scott taking BJ Leilua's right centre spot and my spies tell me Nick Cotric will switch to the right to play alongside his new bromance. He has pedigree on the right hand side.

The only other foreseeable change could make or break the Raiders' dynamics – Pommy George Williams in for Aiden Sezer. Ricky must be wary of making unforced changes to his successful team but Williams comes with pedigree from the ESL. However, his Test match performance off the bench against PNG was pretty uninspiring during the rep period – he'll need to buck the trend if he is to be the first successful English half in a long, long time.

In the forwards, there is no doubt that the draft value lies with Josh Papalii in the middle and English sensation John Bateman on the right edge. Both have the ability to cross the try line whilst completing the workhorse criteria easily. Elliott Whitehead's numbers declined last season despite his form being solid. Perhaps he's been given the role of staying a little bit wider, covering Croker's right shoulder, meaning less tackling overall.

Speaking of the Captain, Croker is a more than solid kicking option in the draft and if coaches feel that the Raiders are in for another good season, then he is a reliable kicker who hates to pass and loves a try. He will have Bailey Simonsson outside him again this year after forming a good combination for half a season in 2019.

Ricky tends to rotate his medium sized middle men and this means the likes of Soliola, Lui, Sutton and Horsburgh struggle to make it to 40 involvements. However, the big red Horsburgh is quite a talent with a good engine and could be a sneaky option late in the draft. His stats per minute rate of 1.01 is fifth overall in NRLCEO and second for players who played more than 15 games.

When it comes to the Raider's attack, everything is triggered by their hooker, Josh Hodgson. When he's on song, the Raiders follow suit. The Pommy rake is definitely a worthy high draft option and unless there's a blowout, he'll play 80 minutes most weeks.

Overall, the Raiders' have a number of primary draft targets but their greatest asset at this stage is the uniformity of their team. We pretty much know what the starting team is going to be and the rotation of the forwards won't change too much this season.

50.8

Premiers

3 Times

Win %

Bye Rd 12

2015 10th

2016 2nd

2017 *10th*

2018 10th

2019

Our 2020 Prediction **3**rd

> **Odds** *\$7*





PLAYER GAINS

CURTIS SCOTT
GEORGE WILLIAMS

KING GEORGE THE VII?

MATT FRAWLEY

PLAYER LOSSES

JORDAN RAPANA ATA HINGANO BRAD ABBEY

ROYCE HUNT
REUBEN PORTER
AIDAN SEZER



GEORGE WILLIAMS



CURTIS SCOTT

ROOKIE WATCH: Harley Smith-Shields

Nick Cotric was rookie of the year in 2017. Harley Smith-Shields is the next Cotric. Solidly built, massive guns, chunky thighs and speed to burn.

The 20 year old has scored 18 tries in 28 games for the Raiders U20's over the past two years. He knows his way to the try line.

In terms of his chances of playing first grade this year, he will likely get some time during the rep season and also could play a bigger role if there is an injury in the centres, or even on the wing.

This is certainly one for those in keeper leagues to keep a close eye on. This kid is a first grader. It is now just a matter of when.







STRONGEST POSSIBLE TEAM

FOR THE 2020 NRL SEASON

J. PAPALII

8. FRONT ROW

J. HODGSON

9. HOOKER

I. SOLIOLA

10. FRONT ROW

E. WHITEHEAD

11. BACK ROW

J. TAPINE

13. LOCK

J. BATEMAN

12. BACK ROW

J. WIGHTON

6. FIVE EIGHTH

G. WILLIAMS

7. HALFBACK

J. CROKER

3. CENTRE

C. SCOTT+

4. CENTRE

B. SIMONSSON

2. WINGER

C. N-KLOKSTAD

1. FULLBACK

N. COTRIC

5. WINGER

S. HAVILI

14. RESERVE

E. GULER

15. RESERVE

C. HORSBURGH

16. RESERVE

R. SUTTON

17. RESERVE

COACHED BY - RICKY STUART - 49% WIN RATE

CASUALTY WARD

Hudson Young Curtis Scott Suspension
Pending Court Case

Round 6 TBA

2019 POINTS BREAKDOWN



BACKS 1209 FORWARDS 670 / 55%

PLAYER	POSITION	GAMES	TR	TA	LB	LBA	WH	ME	2019 TOTAL	3 YEAR AVG	POTENTIAL
Hodgson, Josh	HK	21	2	16	2	17	17	1	140	96	V
Papalii, Josh	FR	23	5	1	7	4	16	10	117	92	-
Bateman, John	BR	20	4	4	5	4	18	5	116	DNP	-
N-Klokstad, Charnze	FB	23	11	4	8	6	0	21	106	13	-
Whitehead, Elliott	BR	24	3	9	4	7	15	0	101	116	-
Wighton, Jack	FE	23	7	8	9	8	0	8	100	83	-
Croker, Jarrod	CT KP 8	24	12	6	12	6	0	4	87 (251)	90 (253)	-
Simonnson, Bailey	WG	18	7	0	7	0	0	8	51	DNP	1
Sutton, Ryan	LK	20	1	0	1	0	11	0	49	DNP	-
Williams, Sam	HB KP 1	10	2	5	2	5	0	0	40	39	1
Cotric, Nick	WG	19	4	4	9	5	0	3	40	80	1
Oldfield, Michael	CT WG	9	5	4	4	2	0	1	36	17	-
Scott, Curtis	СТ	7	3	1	5	3	0	5	33	37	↑
Lui, Dunamis	FR	24	1	0	1	0	7	0	33	7	-
Havili, Siliva	НК	22	2	1	4	0	3	2	30	18	-
Horsburgh, Corey	FR	19	0	0	0	1	5	3	27	DNP	↑
Young, Hudson	BR	12	1	1	2	1	4	0	25	DNP	-
Tapine, Joseph	LK BR	14	2	0	2	1	2	0	17	43	-
Kris, Sebastian	СТ	4	3	0	0	0	1	0	16	DNP	-
Soliola, Iosia	FR	23	2	0	1	0	0	1	11	53	-
Murchie, Jack	BR	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	DNP	-
Felise, JJ	FR	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	-
Starling, Tom	НК	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	-
Guler, Emre	FR	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	↑
Bateman, Luke	LK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	22	-
Frawley, Matt	НВ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Smith-Shields, Harley	СТ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Niko, Andre	FB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Thompson, Leo	СТ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Williams, George	HB KP 1	26*	14*	21*	18*	*	*	12*	140*	DNP	-

TR - Try

TA - Try Assist

LB - Line Break

LBA - Line Break Assist

WH - Workhorse

ME - Metre Eater

DNP - Did Not Play

* - Denotes Super League Stats

(###) - Points incl Goals

GOALKICKING OPTIONS

JARROD CROKER

- 8 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 88/120 (73%) **Career:** 744/929 (80%)

GEORGE WILLIAMS

- 1 KICKER POINT -

2019: 0/0 **Career:** 69 goals

SAM WILLIAMS

- 1 KICKER POINT -

2019: 0/0 (0%) **Career:** 25/30 (83%) + 47 (Super League)

DUD

STUD

Even if the Raiders struggle, *Captain Croker* will kick enough points to keep you happy. If the Raiders flourish, he'll kick you to a title. With a lack of quality kickers this season, pick him up early!

SLEEPER

The big red **Corey Horsburgh** doesn't go unnoticed on the field, but expect him to fly under some radars in your draft. At 1.01 involvements per minute, he had the second highest SPM for any player who played over 15 games.

GAMBLE

The biggest loser out of the rise of the Raiders back

row is Joe Tapine. For years he has been listed as

the next big thing, but his best return is 79 points in

2018. He won't crack a half century this year.

English backs don't make it in the NRL they say, but you could take a late round gamble on *George Williams*.

Based on increase TA scoring he would have scored 161 points in the Super League last year. Roll the dice.





Premiers 8 Times

Win % 51.6

Bye Rd 16

2015 5th

2016

2017 11th

2018 12th

2019 12th

Our 2020 Prediction 15th

> **Odds** \$41



PAY FOR THE TOLL EARLY

Coach Pay avoided the scrap heap last season as his Bulldogs showed some grit and a winning attitude over the last few rounds.

That late season form will give Doggy fans some hope for this season, although they still need to reinvent themselves if they are to even consider a title tilt.

Kieran Foran continued to warm the pine for much of the 2019 season and season 2020 will start out the same as he continues to spend more time in rehab than on the footy field. At last count, Foran would be earning close to \$120k per game in 2020, if everything goes well...

For the NRLCEO Coach, the Bulldogs possess arguably the hardest working backrower in the competition in captain Josh Jackson. If he is not the first backrower to be picked in your draft, he will be close.

Up front, Aidan "Plodman" Tolman just keeps going and clogs the middle up nicely. Whilst he will tackle himself to a standstill, he still needs big runs to make big metres due to his poor leg speed. Still, he's a genuine draft target as he is very, very reliable and rarely gets injured.

Jeremy Marshall-King could be a smoky this season and he has workhorse form. Running out of dummy half is his forte and he could have sneaky double workhorse value if Pay decides to play no back up off the bench.

In the backs, Nick Meaney looks likely to take the boots again but much depends on whether Joe Stimson or Brandon Wakeham can make the starting team. If they do, then the kicking could become a lottery...

Reimis Smith has a pretty successful season on the right edge scoring 12 tries but being outside of Hopoate is not always beneficial. Smith could find himself in the centres this year which would allow Big Okunbor to get a start.

At fullback Dallin Watene-Zalezniak is no frills and gets the job done. He fended off some Latrell Mitchell interest over the offseason to secure the custodian role but quite simply, two tries and three try assists for the season won't have him on anyone's draft radar.

Overall, the Bulldogs will be a solid team and a thorn in the side for some. However, their halves without Foran aren't exactly oozing excitement - Lachlan Lewis hasn't shown enough to warrant a big contract and he needs to run the ball more.

The Dogs look destined for another lean year and the genuine high priority draft targets are few and far between...



PLAYER GAINS

JOE STIMSON DEAN BRITT

SIONE KATOA

PLAYER LOSSES

MICHAEL LICHAA DANNY FUALALO **JOHN OLIVE NU BROWN**





SIONE KATOA

MICHAEL LICHAA NU BROWN

ROOKIE WATCH:

Brandon Wakeham

Brandon Wakeham just fits into our Rookie category after playing three NRL games.

He is the name on many fantasy punters lips as he could put some serious pressure on a starting role in the halves.

He is super slick to watch, is very creative and has real flair. He doesn't fear bigger players on the pitch and gives them plenty of stick.

He has been on Brad Fittler's radar for a while now and has played for NSW in the juniors.

If that hasn't sold you already then he can kick as well! No kicking points and no established kicker in the top grade either.





Bankwest Stadium Thursday 12 March



BULLDOGS 2020

ANZ Stadium ys Thursday 19 March

Campbelltown Stadium Sunday 29 March



ANZ Stadium Saturday 4 April

ANZ Stadium Friday 10 April



ANZ Stadium Saturday 18 April

North Qld Stadium Saturday 25 April



Suncorp Stadium Saturday 2 May



Mt Smart Stadium Friday 8 May Suncorp Stadium



Cbus Super Stadium Thursday 28 May



Thursday 21 May ANZ Stadium Monday 8 June





ANZ Stadium Saturday 27 June



Bankwest Stadium Friday 10 July



Saturday 25 July



Netstrata Jubilee Friday 7 August



Bankwest Stadium Sunday 23 August



McDonald Jones Sunday 6 September



Saturday 13 June

BYE

Saturday 18 July



Bankwest Stadium Saturday 1 August



WIN Stadium Saturday 15 August



Bankwest Stadium Saturday 29 August

NRLCEO FINALS BEGIN ROUND 22





STRONGEST POSSIBLE TEAM

FOR THE 2020 NRL SEASON

A. TOLMAN

8. FRONT ROW

J. M-KING

9. HOOKER

D. NAPA

10. FRONT ROW

C. H-NAERA

11. BACK ROW

J. STIMSON

13. LOCK

J. JACKSON

12. BACK ROW

L. LEWIS

6. FIVE EIGHTH

B. WAKEHAM

7. HALFBACK

R. SMITH

3. CENTRE

W. HOPOATE

4. CENTRE

N. MEANEY

2. WINGER

D. W-ZELEZNIAK

1. FULLBACK

J. OKUNBOR

5. WINGER

S. KATOA

14. RESERVE

A. ELLIOTT

15. RESERVE

R. F-MARINER+

16. RESERVE

R. TO'OMAGA

17. RESERVE

COACHED BY - DEAN PAY - 38% WIN RATE

CASUALTY WARD

Kieran Foran Raymond Fatala-Mariner Shoulder Syndesmosis Indefinite Round 1-3

2019 POINTS BREAKDOWN



BACKS 1076 FORWARDS 570 / 53%

PLAYER	POSITION	GAMES	TR	TA	LB	LBA	WH	ME	2019 TOTAL	3 YEAR AVG	POTENTIAL
Tolman, Aiden	FR	23	0	0	0	0	28	4	118	106	-
Jackson, Josh	BR	24	3	2	4	1	21	0	105	84	-
Hopoate, William	СТ	24	5	9	5	8	2	22	103	77	-
Harawira-Naera, Corey	BR	21	5	1	6	1	12	0	77	65	-
Marshall-King, Jeremy	НК	23	1	0	4	0	14	2	69	13	1
Foran, Kieran	FE HB	14	3	11	5	8	0	0	64	35	1
Smith, Reimis	WG	23	12	0	6	0	0	2	56	18	-
Napa, Dylan	FR	20	2	1	1	2	7	5	51	42	-
Okunbor, Jayden	WG	10	5	1	10	1	0	8	50	DNP	-
Cogger, Jack	FE	20	3	4	5	3	0	1	46	13	Ţ
Elliott, Adam	LK	20	1	1	2	2	7	1	40	21	1
W-Zelezniak, Dallin	FB	20	2	3	3	4	0	8	37	61	↑
Lewis, Lachlan	FE	15	0	5	1	8	0	0	36	15	-
Meaney, Nick	WG KP 6	22	6	1	4	1	0	2	35 (99)	4	↑
Stimson, Joe	BR KP 2	13	5	0	6	0	2	0	35	30 (33)	↑
Holland, Kerrod	CT KP 2	14	1	2	5	4	0	6	30 (42)	48 (94)	-
Montoya, Marcelo	CT WG	11	2	0	2	1	0	8	27	39	-
Britt, Dean	BR	11	1	0	1	0	3	4	25	0	-
F-Mariner, Raymond	BR	10	2	1	1	2	2	0	21	20	-
Katoa, Sione	HK	15	0	1		1	3	0	17	21	-
Crichton, Christian	WG	5	1	1	2	1	0	2	13	18	-
Wakeham, Brandon	НВ	3	1	1	1	1	0	0	9	0	↑
Sue, Sauaso	LK FR	11	1	0	1	0	0	0	5	23	-
Ogden, Okahiki	FR	13	1	0	1	0	0	0	5	6	-
Harper, Morgan	СТ	1	0	0	0	1		1	3	DNP	-
Toomaga, Renouf	BR	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
Smith, Christopher	LK BR	20	0	0	0	1	0	0	-1	0	-
Averillo, Jake	СТ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Tass, Isaiah	СТ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Tualau, Francis	FR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
TR - Try	TA - Try Assist	L	.B - Lir	e Brea	ak		LBA -	Line Bı	reak Assist	WH - V	Vorkhorse

GOALKICKING OPTIONS

* - Denotes Super League Stats

NICK MEANEY - 6 KICKER POINTS -

ME - Metre Eater

2019: 32/40 (80%) Career: 33/43 (76%) **KERROD HOLLAND**

- 2 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 6/8 (75%) Career: 76/97 (78%) **JOE STIMSON**

(###) - Points incl Goals

- 1 KICKER POINT -2019:0/1 (0%)

Career: 3/5 (60%)

STUD

DNP - Did Not Play

He's no Bobcat Ryan but he leads the Dogs tackle count each week and decent back rowers are rare across the whole competition. A no frills type of player, Josh Jackson will get the job done and throw in the odd pie as well!

DUD

Adam Elliott will continue to warm the bench in 2020 and only injuries will see him break into the starting 13. Even if he does, he won't command the minutes of the other Alpha forwards in the pack.

SLEEPER

Coach Dean Pay is a fan of Jeremy Marshall-King and as a result, has signed him until the end of 2021. Marshall-King has double WH potential, and it will depend if Pay plays new recruit Sione Katoa off the bench or not. If not, JMK will be massive.

GAMBLE

The Bulldogs halves are still a mystery. Cogger and Lewis hardly have a mortgage on a spot and a busted Foran waits in the wings. Enter **Brandon Wakeham**. The Fijian international has pace and has kicked 16/19 goals for Fiji.





TOO MANY AT THE CENTRE OF ATTENTION

Paul Gallen is gone and so is an era at the Sharks. Sure, the Sharks will miss Gal's leadership, tenacity and grubbiness but will they miss his 20 runs per game, most of which were inside the opposition's 20m?

Speaking of grubby, Captain Gal isn't the only one to part ways with the Sharks. Matt Prior heads to the Super League and surely that increases the value of big boys, Aaron Woods and Andrew Fifita.

On paper, the Sharks look to have a very solid squad - good enough to push for a top four spot. Under the guidance of Chad Townsend and Shaun Johnson, the Sharks will look to go deep into season 2020.

However, the backline has issues. Bronson Xerri is as fast as they come but he needs to be kept happy if he is to remain a long term Shark. Dugan, Jorris and Ramien all consider themselves out and out centres but two of them appear destined to spend time on the wing.

The likely wing candidates are the two Josh's, Morris and Dugan and they won't be happy about letting the younger brigade move in on their turf.

The whole "I want to play centre" fiasco seems destined to cause John Morris some headaches at some stage this season and it is foreseeable that one or two of them will throw the dummies out of the cot and find a home elsewhere.

Fortunately, Matt Moylan doesn't want to be a centre and he is happy being overpaid as an underperforming fullback. It really is set up to be make or break for Moylan this season and last year's haul of 26 NRLCEO points for the season is laughable.

For the NRLCEO Coach, there's much to like about the Sharks. Their forwards tend to have good work ethic. Jack Williams is a curious draft candidate and if he gets the same minutes as Gal did, he'll be a great workhorse for many years to come.

Wade Graham and Briton Nikora are interesting backrowers - neither of them are renowned workhorse exponents but are very capable of scoring tries. They fit into the category of wider playing backrowers and depending on your tactics, they could be worthy of mid-late round drafting.

With the boots, SJ is a kicker and half, likely to attract attention but many a year, he has had NRLCEO coaches pulling their hair out. All we want is consistency Shaun and a lazy 12 points a game wouldn't hurt either.

Overall, the Sharks will grind out more wins than they lose and off the back of a more than solid squad with an abundance of big names, they look destined for a good season...

Premiers 1 Time

Win % 48.5

Bye Rd 12

2015 6th

2016 3^{rd}

2017

2018 4th

2019

Our 2020 Prediction 9th

> Odds \$19





HOME

PLAYER GAINS

JESSE RAMIEN

CONNOR TRACEY

PLAYER LOSSES

JAYDEN BRAILEY SOSAIA FEKI KYLE FLANAGAN PAUL GALLEN

KURT CAPEWELL AARON GRAY SCOTT SORENSEN







PAUL GALLEN

JAYDEN BRAILEY

ROOKIE WATCH: Toby Rudolf

You might remember Toby Rudolf as the long curly haired forward playing for Newtown in the Grand Final.

The hard working front rower has been vying for a spot in the Sharks side patiently. With the removal of Matt Prior, there is a spot in the rotation which has opened up. There is potentially a bench spot opening up from Round 1 and with everything up in the air post-Gallen, there are involvements to be snapped up.

He would have made seven workhorses for Newtown in 2019 and can play prop, lock or second row. He also scored two tries and can play big minutes having played for the full 80 five times in 2019.







SHARKS 2020

ANZ Stadium Saturday 14 March

Netstrata Jubilee Saturday 28 March

Netstrata Jubilee Saturday 11 April

Netstrata Jubilee

Thursday 23 April

Bathurst Sunday 10 May

McDonald Jones Sunday 24 May

Netstrata Jubilee Friday 5 June

Bankwest Stadium Saturday 27 June

Netstrata Jubilee Friday 10 July

AAMI Park Friday 24 July

Netstrata Jubilee Friday 7 August

North Qld Stadium Thursday 20 August

Netstrata Jubilee Saturday 5 September



Netstrata Jubilee Saturday 21 March



ANZ Stadium Saturday 4 April

Suncorp Stadium Friday 17 April

Suncorp Stadium Friday 1 May

Sunshine Coast Stau Saturday 16 May

BYE

Netstrata Jubilee Sunday 14 June

Netstrata Jubilee Sunday 5 July

Lottoland Sunday 19 July

Netstrata Jubilee Sunday 2 August

Friday 14 August

Netstrata Jubilee Thursday 27 August

NRLCEO FINALS BEGIN ROUND 22





FOR THE 2020 NRL SEASON

A. FIFITA

8. FRONT ROW

B. BRAILEY

9. HOOKER

A. WOODS

10. FRONT ROW

W. GRAHAM

11. BACK ROW

J. WILLIAMS

13. LOCK

B. NIKORA

12. BACK ROW

S. JOHNSON

6. FIVE EIGHTH

C. TOWNSEND

7. HALFBACK

B. XERRI

3. CENTRE

J. RAMIEN

4. CENTRE

J. MORRIS

2. WINGER

M. MOYLAN

1. FULLBACK

J. DUGAN

5. WINGER

C. KING

14. RESERVE

B. HAMELIN-UELE

15. RESERVE

B. MAGOULIAS

16. RESERVE

J. BUKUYA

17. RESERVE

COACHED BY - JOHN MORRIS - 48% WIN RATE

CASUALTY WARD

No injuries or suspensions for round 1

2019 POINTS BREAKDOWN



BACKS 1001 FORWARDS 339/34%

PLAYER	POSITION	GAMES	TR	TA	LB	LBA	WH	ME	2019 TOTAL	3 YEAR AVG	POTENTIAL
Xerri, Bronson	СТ	21	12	10	11	12	0	18	128	DNP	-
Townsend, Chad	HB KP 2	24	6	15	2	15	0	1	111 (125)	64 (111)	1
Morris, Josh	СТ	22	14	4	13	4	0	9	99	76	-
Johnson, Shaun	FE KP 7	17	3	14	5	15	0	2	92 (178)	92 (190)	-
Dugan, Josh	WG	22	11	4	8	4	0	11	87	60	4
Nikora, Briton	BR	23	7	3	11	4	8	2	85	DNP	-
Fifita, Andrew	FR	20	2	1	2	0	16	1	76	115	↑
Woods, Aaron	FR	15	1	0	0	1	9	3	47	96	↑
Graham, Wade	BR	9	1	4	4	4	5	1	42	71	↑
Ramien, Jesse	СТ	17	2	2	3	1	0	10	37	45	↑
Mulitalo, Ronaldo	WG	8	5	1	6	0	0	4	36	DNP	-
Uele, Braden	FR	20	4	1	4	1	2	0	31	DNP	-
Williams, Jack	LK	23	2	1	3	1	3	1	29	4	↑
Moylan, Matthew	FB	11	0	8	1	9	0	1	29	76	↑
Katoa, Si	WG	8	4	0	4	0	0	1	22	17	-
Gray, Aaron	WG	5	4	0	3	0	0	0	19	23	-
Brailey, Blayke	НК	15	2	1	1	2	0	0	14	DNP	↑
Sorensen, Scott	BR	5	0	0	0	0	2	0	8	11	-
Bukuya, Jayson	BR	18	0	0	0	0	1	1	4	33	-
Tracey, Connor	НВ	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	3	DNP	-
Kennedy, William	FB	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	DNP	-
Magoulias, Billy	LK	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	-
Topai-Aveai, Cruz	FR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Ferris, Jackson	СТ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Milne, Kayleb	BR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	•
Patterson, Kyle	НК	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	
Rudolf, Toby	FR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Trindall, Braydon	НВ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Wilton, Teig	BR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
King, Cameron	HK	25**	18**	**	**	**	**	**	72**	21	-

TR - Try

TA - Try Assist

LB - Line Break

LBA - Line Break Assist

WH - Workhorse

ME - Metre Eater

DNP - Did Not Play

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(###) - Points incl Goals

GOALKICKING OPTIONS

SHAUN JOHNSON

- 7 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 45/59 (76%) **Career:** 371/495 (75%)

STUD

Bronson Xerri is faster than The Flash and give him an inch and he's goooooone. With the Sharks looking to reinvent their attack and entice Xerri to stay at the club, expect them to throw him plenty of pill (see what I did there?)...

SLEEPER

Jack Williams is a worker. His stats per minute are up there with the best at 0.84, meaning he needs just 47 minutes to WH. Williams started three games last year and had workhorses in two of them.

DUD

Bogan name alert! Big wraps on *Blayke Brailey* but I don't know why. Very small, not very fast and prone to injury. Will not be able to handle more than 50 minutes a game at best and will struggle for consistency.

CHAD TOWNSEND

- 2 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 7/12 (58%)

Career: 119/181 (66%)

GAMBLE

The flop king himself **Aaron Woods** is a former NRLCEO gun and is coming off his worst ever season in terms of workhorses. With the departure of Matt Prior he is worth a gamble. He just might net you 15-20 workhorses which is very valuable.





DISHING UP ANOTHER SPOONFUL?

After a dismal season where they secured the wooden spoon, the Titans must be keen to get back on the field in season 2020.

However, everything is not quite peachy at the glamour strip (see what I did there?) and it appears that they'll lose their best forward a season early to the Rabbitohs.

Yep, Jai Arrow is likely to head south to bigger and better things and who can blame him? The Titans have been a basket case for a while now.

On paper, the Titans look to be a pretty solid team. That's their problem though – they lack flair in key areas and lack consistency in others. There hasn't been much movement in the off-season though and new recruits of quality seem to be getting harder to attract for decent coin.

The BIG query still lies with their marque man, Ash Taylor. Last year was make or break for the million dollar halfback and he went missing – literally!

Taylor needs to get his mind right and if he can, his combination with Tyrone Roberts can be an effective one.

At hooker, Nathan Peats has to remain healthy. He's NEVER had an injury free season and to justify his price tag, he has to stay on the field this year. If he can't, expect the Titans to lose patience with him and look to the durable Mitch Rein for answers.

For the NRLCEO Coach, the Titans still have a big name worth

drafting early. Captain Ryan James' season was cruelled by injury in Round 6 last year and he'll be keen to make up for lost time. If he plays in the core, he's a genuine first round draft pick. If he plays on the left edge, maybe not as much.

On the right edge, Kevin Proctor still has some draft value – two tries and 20 workhorses last season is sneaky good and he's probably a guy that will go under the radar in the draft like he does most years.

In a genuine positive for the club, the emergence of young prop Moeaki Fotuaika as a big minute player in 2019 means there's another draft option up front.

In the backs, the Coach Holbrook could do anything. While there's plenty of flashy troops to choose from, picking someone who does the job week in, week out is a tougher proposition.

Phillip Sami has shown a good set of heels and The Don has done it in the past but they were both under pressure to keep their starting spot at various stages last season.

Dale Copley, Tyrone Peachey and Kallum Watkins are three others who simply have not brought their A-Game for long enough to be considered walk up starters.

Overall, it is hard to see how the Titans climb out of the hole that they are currently in. Top eight aspirations are surely years away and it looks to be another tough season coming up.

Bye Rd 16

Premiers

0 Times

Win %

2015 14th

2016

2017

2018

2019

Our 2020 Prediction **16**th

> **Odds** \$67





PLAYER GAINS

TANAH BOYD ERIN CLARK JUWAN COMPAIN GREG LELEISIUAO JONUS PEARSON
IOANE SEIULI
TOBY SEXTON
SAM STONE

PLAYER LOSSES

JESSE ARTHARS
MICHAEL GORDON
RYLEY JACKS

MAX KING
WILL MATTHEWS
JAXSON PAULO



HOME

GREG LELEISIUAO





ROOKIE WATCH:

Greg Leleisiuao

I'm going to have to eat some humble pie on this one. I named Leleisiuao as my rookie to watch in 2018's Season Guide. It's fair to say he hasn't reached any great heights in his career yet.

That's partly due to the fact he was behind Blake Ferguson and Maika Sivo in the pecking order. He moves to a Titans side that is desperate for some x-factor. He had the most post contact metres (1,535m) out of anyone in the NSW Cup and his tackle breaks (196) were not only #1 in the Cup, it was also 92 ahead of the player in second place!

Expect to see the Titans backline in some rotation and when that happens, big Greg will dominate on one of the wings in the way we haven't seen on the Gold Coast since Brett Plowman in 1997!





TITANS 2020



Friday 13 March

Cbus Super Stadium Sunday 29 March

AAMI Park Saturday 11 April

Cbus Super Stadium Friday 24 April



North Qld Stadium Saturday 9 May



Netstrata Jubilee Friday 5 June

McDonald Jones

Sunday 28 June **Cbus Super Stadium**

Saturday 11 July

Panthers Stadium Friday 24 July

Cbus Super Stadium Saturday 8 August



Campbelltown Stadium Sunday 23 August



Cbus Super Stadium Saturday 5 September



Cbus Super Stadium Sunday 22 March



Sunday 5 April



Lottoland Friday 17 April



Suncorp Stadium Sunday 3 May



Cbus Super Stadium Saturday 16 May



Cbus Super Stadium Thursday 28 May



Cbus Super Stadium Friday 12 June



BYE



Mt Smart Stadium Friday 17 July



Cbus Super Stadium Saturday 1 August



Suncorp Stadium Sunday 16 August



Cbus Super Stadium Sunday 30 August

NRLCEO FINALS BEGIN **ROUND 22**







FOR THE 2020 NRL SEASON

J. WALLACE

8. FRONT ROW

N. PEATS

9. HOOKER

M. FOTUIAKA

10. FRONT ROW

B. CARTWRIGHT

11. BACK ROW

J. ARROW

13. LOCK

K. PROCTOR

12. BACK ROW

T. ROBERTS

6. FIVE EIGHTH

A. TAYLOR

7. HALFBACK

B. KELLY

3. CENTRE

T. PEACHEY

4. CENTRE

A. DON

2. WINGER

A. BRIMSON

1. FULLBACK

P. SAMI

5. WINGER

M. REIN

14. RESERVE

K. HIPGRAVE+

15. RESERVE

S. BOYD

16. RESERVE

J. WHITBREAD

17. RESERVE

COACHED BY - JUSTIN HOLBROOK - ON DEBUT

CASUALTY WARD

Keegan Hipgrave Ryan James Concussion ACL Indefinite Indefinite

2019 POINTS BREAKDOWN



BACKS 11147 FORWARDS 584/51%

PLAYER	POSITION	GAMES	TR	TA	LB	LBA	WH	ME	2019 TOTAL	3 YEAR AVG	POTENTIAL
Kelly, Brian	СТ	23	8	6	11	5	0	16	94	52	-
Rein, Mitch	НК	18	1	1	1	2	20	1	93	74	-
Proctor, Kevin	BR	22	2	0	3	0	20	0	91	78	-
Wallace, Jarrod	LK FR	21	2	2	2	3	13	8	85	59	-
Roberts, Tyrone	FE KP 3	15	6	11	5	8	0	1	84 (114)	27	-
Gagai, Dane	CT WG	23	9	3	6	3	0	13	77 (91)	72	-
Arrow, Jai	LK FR	17	1	0	2	0	14	6	74	35	-
Fotuaika, Moeaki	FR	21	0	0	1	0	13	5	63	24	-
Cartwright, Bryce	BR	23	3	5	0	9	6	0	56	47	V
Copley, Dale	CT WG	15	9	2	9	1	0	3	56	43	1
Brimson, AJ	FE FB	21	4	5	9	4	0	5	54	49	1
Peats, Nathan	НК	13	0	3	0	3	10	0	50	77	-
Peachey, Tyrone	BR	21	2	5	4	7	1	7	49 (61)	87	-
Sami, Phillip	WG	16	6	1	7	3	0	4	46	45	1
Don, Anthony	WG	17	8	1	6	1	0	1	44	74	-
Taylor, Ashley	HB KP 6	10	0	7	0	5	0	0	30 (52)	70 (124)	-
Whitbread, Jai	LK FR	18	0	0	0	0	6	0	24	DNP	-
James, Ryan	FR	6	0	0	0	0	4	0	16	138	1
Pearson, Jonas	WG	10	2	0	3	0	0	2	15	8	-
Stone, Sam	BR	8	0	0	0	0	3	0	12	16	-
Boyd, Shannon	FR	13	0	0	0	0	3	0	12	18	-
Watkins, Kallum	СТ	6	0	0	0	1	1	2	9	DNP	1
Stockwell, Jack	FR	14	0	0	0	0	2	0	8	10	-
Boyd, Tanah	НВ	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	-
Hipgrave, Keegan	BR	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	-
Farmer, Darius	BR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Pere, Kea	СТ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Phythian, Dylan	FB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Sexton, Toby	FE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Spry, Treymain	СТ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
TR - Trv	TA - Try Assist		D _ I is	e Brea	.le		IDA -	line D	reak Assist	WLL V	Vorkhorse

TR - Try

TA - Try Assist

LB - Line Break

LBA - Line Break Assist

WH - Workhorse

ME - Metre Eater

DNP - Did Not Play

* - Denotes Super League Stats

(###) - Points incl Goals

GOALKICKING OPTIONS

ASH TAYLOR - 6 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 11/19 (58%) **Career:** 94/137 (68%)

TYRONE ROBERTS

- 3 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 15/18 (83%) **Career:** 244/328 (74%)

STUD

Our initial release of the guide named Ryan James at the stud. Poor bastard is now crippled with injury. This means the Titans certainly won't release *Jai Arrow* early and he'll lead their pack in heart and stats.

DUD

Kallum Watkins could be the worst ever buy for the Tits. Brought over from England late last year to add some starch to the Titans backline and it only took one game to realise all this Pom could serve up was peas as he certainly wouldn't know what a pie is!

SLEEPER

AJ Brimson will find himself in his preferred position of fullback this year. Look to see a more comfortable player who we know has enough natural attacking talent to score more than his 2019 total of four tries.

GAMBLE

Personally I'd draft **Mitch Rein** before I even considered Nathan Peats. You know that if you draft Rein as your second hooker, he will probably be more valuable than your first drafted hooker when Peats inevitably gets injured.





Premiers 8 Times

Win % 57.1

Bye Rd 16

2015 9th

2016 13th

2017

2018 15th

2019

Our 2020 Prediction **6**th

> **Odds** \$13



TWIN TURBO ENGINES

In season 2019, it is fair to say that the Sea Eagles over achieved. There were pre-season rumblings of discontent but fast forward to 2020 and the departure of Trent Barrett under unusual circumstances is just a figment of Silvertail's imaginations.

Yep, the double agent, Dessie Hasler, who single handedly destroyed arch rivals the Bulldogs, showed that his blood truly does flow maroon as he pulled the Manly team together and into a genuine title threat last season.

Finishing sixth was beyond all expectations and if Tommy Turbo was fit for more games, they could have gone even deeper in the finals.

For the NRLCEO Coach, the Sea Eagles always have handy players to draft. Again, it's all about the Trbojevic Brothers though. Tom and Jake are guns in their respective positions HOWEVER, Tom could be considered borderline injury prone AND Jake will miss the start of the NRL season while he recovers from off-season surgery.

This shouldn't affect their draft value too much though and you'll have to get them early if you want them. It's very hard to get both!

With the boots, Reuben Garrick was a revelation last season. The rookie also scored 16 pies to compliment his kicking. He'll be another solid draft target on that right wing.

Calling all the shots, Daly Cherry-Evans is always a priority draft target and with the introduction of three point TAs in public competitions, his draft value will rise dramatically.

The rest of the Sea Eagle backs are capable of scoring tries but they are shared around pretty evenly. That's because DCE and Walker love hitting the front runner (Thompson and Sironen) on that crash ball line. Consequently, the likes of Suli and Parker don't get as much ball as they would like.

Up front, big boppers Marty Taupau and Addin Fonua-Blake combined for a handy 28 workhorses and 23 metre eaters between them in 2019. While those numbers don't appear to be staggering, the big boys are trending in the right direction and leaving some defenders in their wake as well.

Overall, the Sea Eagles are a team capable of beating anyone on their day. The potential loss of hooker Fainu is a big one though but new recruit Danny Levi could be the perfect fit. If he can slot in seamlessly, expect the Sea Eagles to go well again in 2020 and Danny will rack up the workhorses.

Obviously, plenty rests on the fitness of the Twin Turbos. Tom in particular is so dynamic that when fully fit, he'll put every opposition on alert.

PLAYER GAINS

BRAYDEN MUSGROVE ZAC SADDLER JOSH SCHUSTER

KEITH TITMUSS
BEN TRBOJEVIC

PLAYER LOSSES

KANE ELGEY
TRENT HODKINSON

APISAI KOROISAU KELEPI TANGINOA



HOME







ROOKIE WATCH:

Josh Schuster

There is no doubt that Josh Schuster will become a class player. It could happen even sooner than we expect.

Word out of Brookvale is that Des is considering starting him in the halves in Round 1 in order to move Dylan Walker back to the centres.

Still only 18, Schuster continues to prove his capabilities in game management and as a damaging ball-runner.

I love watching young halves make their mark in the NRL and this would be a good way into first grade alongside









FOR THE 2020 NRL SEASON

M. TAUPAU

8. FRONT ROW

D. LEVI

9. HOOKER

A. F-BLAKE+

10. FRONT ROW

J. THOMPSON

11. BACK ROW

J. TRBOJEVIC+

13. LOCK

C. SIRONEN

12. BACK ROW

TM

D. WALKER

6. FIVE EIGHTH

D. C-EVANS

7. HALFBACK

B. PARKER

3. CENTRE

M. SULI

4. CENTRE

J. TAUFUA

2. WINGER

T. TRBOJEVIC

1. FULLBACK

R. GARRICK

5. WINGER

C. CUST

14. RESERVE

T. PASEKA

15. RESERVE

J. GOSIEWSKI

16. RESERVE

C. WADDELL

17. RESERVE

COACHED BY - DESHASLER - 58% WIN RATE

CASUALTY WARD

Jake Trbojevic Addin Fonua-Blake Shoulder Shoulder Early Rounds
Early Rounds

Manase Fainu

Stood Down

Indefinite

2019 POINTS BREAKDOWN



BACKS 1174 FORWARDS 604/51%

PLAYER	POSITION	GAMES	TR	TA	LB	LBA	WH	ME	2019 TOTAL	3 YEAR AVG	POTENTIAL
Cherry-Evans, Daly	HB KP 1	19	4	20	9	14	0	1	119 (161)	75	-
Trbojevic, Jake	LK	23	2	3	1	3	23	1	113	146	-
Taupau, Martin	FR	24	2	0	3	2	18	10	104	81	-
Fonua-Blake, Addin	FR	20	4	1	5	6	10	13	93	18	-
Garrick, Reuben	WG KP 7	24	16	3	11	3	0	3	90 (206)	DNP	-
Trbojevic, Tom	FB	12	5	8	12	9	0	12	82	153	↑
Fainu, Manase	НК	23	7	2	8	7	5	3	75	42	↓
Sironen, Curtis	BR	22	5	0	8	2	10	1	71	24	-
Thompson, Joel	BR	22	7	0	4	1	8	1	67	68	-
Walker, Dylan	FE KP 1	15	3	7	2	11	0	4	58	68	↑
Suli, Moses	СТ	20	4	3	5	5	0	11	54	34	-
Taufua, Jorge	WG	22	8	1	9	1	0	3	50	49	-
Waddell, Corey	BR	21	0	4	0	4	8	2	48	DNP	-
Cust, Cade	HB HK	7	4	6	2	5	0	1	47	DNP	-
Levi, Daniel	НК	17	0	3	2	3	9	0	47	37	1
Parker, Brad	СТ	17	3	2	7	1	0	4	24	11	-
Elliott, Brendan	FB WG	16	1	0	8	3	0	3	23	19	-
Gosiewski, Jack	BR	17	4	2	3	1	0	1	22	2	↑
Croker, Lachlan	FE	5	2	0	1	0	0	0	9	15	-
Sipley, Toafofoa	FR	9	0	2	0	2	0	0	6	1	-
Miski, Abbas	WG	3	0	0	2	0	0	2	6	DNP	-
Paseka, Taniela	FR	13	1	0	1	0	0	0	5	1	-
Keppie, Sean	FR	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	-
Boyle, Morgan	FR	15	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	14	-
Bainbridge, Billy	BR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Funa, Tevita	WG KP 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Hopoate, Albert	FB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Olakau'ata, Haumole	BR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Trbojevic, Ben	BR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Williams, Tony	BR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	3	-
TR - Try	TA - Try Assist	1	.B - Lin	a Rras	ak.		IRA -	ling R	reak Assist	WH - V	Vorkhorse

GOALKICKING OPTIONS

* - Denotes Super League Stats

REUBEN GARRICK

ME - Metre Eater

- 7 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 65/85 (76%) **Career:** 65/85 (76%)

DALY CHERRY-EVANS

- 1 KICKER POINT -

2019: 21/26 (81%) **Career:** 123/171 (72%)

DYLAN WALKER

(###) - Points incl Goals

- 1 KICKER POINT -

2019: 0/0 (0%) **Career:** 42/64 (66%)

STUD

DNP - Did Not Play

Reuben Garrick has made a name for himself on the right wing and with the boots thrown in, expect him to be a profitable draft selection! If you believe in the Sea Eagles' potential and can stomach cheering them on, Reuben's your man.

SLEEPER

With another preseason under Des Hasler, **Moses Suli** will look to improve as a footballer this year. If his appetite for food is anything to go by, he should score some pies this season. And some tries.

DUD

Manase Fainu could very well have been written up as a stud for season 2020. Instead, the majority of the time he will see this season will be off the football field in a courtroom. Great talent, but behavioural issues might bring him down.

GAMBLE

A fully fit **Tommy Turbo** is certainly no gamble but after coming off an injury plagued 2019, questions have to be asked - how early do you go in the draft for a guy who may only play 15 games...



Premiers

3 Times*

Win %

65.2

Bye

Rd 12

2015

2016

2017

2018

2019

MINOR PREMIERSHIP SPECIALISTS

So you think this is the year that the Storm fade into the sunset and become a non-contender? If Cameron Smith has anything to say about it, the answer is an emphatic NO!!!

Whilst the Storm had another successful regular season, collecting the minor premiership by a whopping six points, their season will still go down as a failure after bowing out in the finals.

Losing to the Raiders in the semi-final ultimately sealed their fate one week later at the hands of the Roosters and it was that game against the Green Machine that potentially broke Captain Smith.

However, upon looking retirement in the face, Smith has decided to go around one more time and on paper, and despite some key personnel changes, the Storm still look pretty damn good.

For the NRLCEO Coach, despite his age, Smith is the ultimate NRLCEO player – kicking hookers are a very good thing in NRLCEO!

At the back, Ryan Papenhuyzen threatens to revolutionise the fullback position and that's a big call considering he's taking over from the best ever to play in that position.

The wings of Vunivalu and Addo-Carr are popular draft choices and even if the latter finds his way to the Rabbitohs before his contract is up, he'll still be a very good draft prospect.

The Storm's centre pairing is an intriguing one with Curtis Scott and Will Chambers signing elsewhere. Marion Seve has shown

glimpses of strength and speed but it is Justin Olam who has impressed with an average try scoring strike rate just below 0.70 tries per game. Running off Cam Munster is obviously beneficial and Olam could be a sneaky target in 2020.

In the forwards, what you see is what you get with the Storm. Bellamy is quite predictable with his forward rotations and for that reason it's hard to argue a case for drafting one time gun prop, Jesse Bromwich.

His brother on the other hand was epic on the left edge and Kenny was named 2019 Backrower of the Year in NRLCEO - a crazy achievement really.

Bromwich's numbers on the left really embarrassed Felise Kaufusi whose draft value has to come under scrutiny in 2020. Quite simply, nine workhorses and one try for the season is what nightmares are made of when it comes to NRLCEO success.

Again, Brandon Smith's evolution continues to be put on hold. He's a gun hooker/lock just waiting for a full time crack but while the likes of Smith and Finucane continue to clog up those positions, Brandon will warm the pine for excessive amounts of time again.

Overall, the Storm have to come down off their perch at some stage. With the pending retirement of Bellamy and Smith and some fast men moving on, season 2020 just may well be their last hurrah.

HOME

PLAYER GAINS

RYLEY JACKS KELMA TUILAGAI

BRENKO LEE PAUL MOMIROVSKI (ON LOAN)

PLAYER LOSSES

CHEYSE BLAIR WILL CHAMBERS BRODIE CROFT SCOTT DRINKWATER SOLOMONE KATA PATRICK KAUFUSI

KAYLEB MILNE CURTIS SCOTT JOE STIMSON BILLY WALTERS HARRY GRANT (ON LOAN)

Our 2020 Prediction 2nd

> Odds \$6







BRENKO LEE

CURTIS SCOTT JOE STIMSON

ROOKIE WATCH: Harry Grant

Last year's Rookie Watch was Scott Drinkwater. He ended up making a mark. At another club altogether such was the rise of Ryan Papenhuyzen.

Another player who could just jump the incumbent is Harry Grant. Although he's just been sent on loan to the Tigers! Which makes him even tastier.

Brandon Smith is great. Don't get me wrong. But he's proven to be a damaging #13 despite his size. This could open up a Smith's mortgage on the #9 to the young Queenslander.

He was far too good for Queensland Cup last year. Scoring 14 tries in 22 games, along with 21 try assists, 22 line break assists and averaging 39.95 tackles per game!

Doesn't he just sound perfect?







FOR THE 2020 NRL SEASON

J. BROMWICH

8. FRONT ROW

C. SMITH

9. HOOKER

N. A-SOLOMONA

10. FRONT ROW

K. BROMWICH

11. BACK ROW

D. FINUCANE

13. LOCK

F. KAUFUSI

12. BACK ROW

C. MUNSTER

6. FIVE EIGHTH

J. HUGHES

7. HALFBACK

J. OLAM

3. CENTRE

M. SEVE

4. CENTRE

J. ADDO-CARR

2. WINGER

R. PAPENHUYZEN

1. FULLBACK

S. VUNIVALU

5. WINGER

B. SMITH

14. RESERVE

T. KAMIKAMICA

15. RESERVE

T. FA'ASUAMALEAUI

16. RESERVE

C. WELCH+

17. RESERVE

COACHED BY - CRAIG BELLAMY - 69% WIN RATE

CASUALTY WARD

Christian Welch

Knee

Indefinite

2019 POINTS BREAKDOWN



BACKS 1287 FORWARDS 658 / 51%

Smith, Cameron Bromwich, Kenny Munster, Cameron	HK KP 8 BR FE KP 1	24	2	1.0							
			_	16	0	24	23	1	176 (374)	119 (285)	↓
Munster, Cameron	FF KD 1	24	5	12	8	13	18	2	141	27	-
	I L I KI I	21	7	18	8	17	0	5	131 (135)	112	-
Finucane, Dale	LK	23	2	1	3	3	20	6	108	80	-
Addo-Carr, Josh	WG	20	14	3	16	2	0	8	96	90	-
Papenhuyzen, Ryan	FB	20	8	5	12	8	0	14	95 (97)	DNP	1
Hughes, Jahrome	CT HB	21	8	11	10	8	0	6	93	22	↓
Bromwich, Jesse	FR	24	5	2	4	7	4	4	59	64	-
Momirovski, Paul	CT WG KP 6	12	8	0	8	0	0	8	57 (99)	DNP	↑
Olam, Justin	СТ	11	7	3	8	5	0	4	56	5	-
Vunivalu, Suliasi	WG	22	9	0	8	0	0	5	56	106	↑
A-Solomona, Nelson	FR	24	4	2	6	1	3	5	49	21	-
Smith, Brandon	HK	20	3	1	3	2	3	8	47	5	-
Kaufusi, Felise	BR	22	1	1	0	2	9	1	44	79	↑
Seve, Marion	СТ	12	4	2	6	1	0	6	39	DNP	-
Jacks, Ryley	НВ	13	4	1	2	2	0	0	26	22	-
Earl, Sandor	WG	5	2	0	3	0	0	5	21	DNP	-
Kamikamica, Tui	LK FR	18	2	1	2	0	1	0	16	DNP	-
Lee, Brenko	CT	6	2	1	1	1	0	1	14	63	-
King, Max	LK FR	12	1	0	1	0	1	0	9	26	-
Welch, Christian	LK FR	16	1	0	1	0	1	1	9	7	1
Hynes, Nicho	FB	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	DNP	-
Vete, Albert	FR	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	-
Eisenhuth, Thomas	BR	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	-
Faasuamaleaui, Tino	BR	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	-
Ieremia, Dean	FB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Johns, Cooper	НВ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Kelly, Dylan	BR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	0	-
Pene, Aaron	FR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Tuilagai, Kelma	BR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-

TR - Try

TA - Try Assist

LB - Line Break

LBA - Line Break Assist

WH - Workhorse

ME - Metre Eater

DNP - Did Not Play

* - Denotes Super League Stats

(###) - Points incl Goals

GOALKICKING OPTIONS

CAMERON SMITH

- 8 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 104/131 (79%) **Career:** 1,209/1,616 (75%)

PAUL MOMIROVSKI

- 6 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 21/28 (75%) **Career:** 21/28 (75%)

CAMERON MUNSTER

- 1 KICKER POINT -

2019: 2/4 (50%) **Career:** 16/29 (55%)

STUD

Hard to go past Captain *Cam Smith*. Kicks goals, works hard, sets up tries – what's not to like from the perennial first round draft target and future officiating Hall of Famer? Like Yoda, he's a 1,000 years old but he's still got it.

DUD

The older **Jesse Bromwich** gets, the lazier he gets. Once he was one of the first props selected in every draft, only for it all to go down hill after a string of unwanted media regarding off field instances. His best years are past him. Avoid.

SLEEPER

Marion Seve has played 12 NRL games in his short career and has scored four tries and six metre eaters. With the exit of Will Chambers and Curtis Scott, look for Seve to make his mark as the star centre.

GAMBLE

There are no gambles in the Storm 17. That's why they are so good. If you were hoping for a very slim chance gamble, then consider drafting *Harry Grant* in your last round of your draft. I've got a hunch he'll be a better #9 than Brandon Smith.





ARISE, SIR PONGA

Earmarked as a club on the rise, the Knights self-imploded last season culminating in coach Nathan Brown falling on his sword. Stepping into the furnace is rookie coach Adam O'Brien who boasts excellent pedigree after working in the Storm and Roosters coaching systems.

O'Brien has a quality squad at his disposal and surely, this is the year that the Knights push for some finals action.

Leading the charge is the combination of Pearce and Ponga. Both will be better for another pre-season together with Pearce in particular having an excellent 2019.

Despite Ponga stuffing the stats sheets, he would be a little disappointed in his season as a whole and will be looking to go even bigger in 2020. At this stage, it is likely that Ponga will regain the kicking boots after he relinquished the role midway through the season to Mason Lino.

For the NRLCEO Coach, the addition of Jayden Brailey appears to be a good one and gives the Knights some stability in the very important hooker role. Connor Watson could compliment him nicely on the bench but his NRLCEO value may not be much this year with Brailey appearing to be quite resilient when it comes to injuries.

As per last year, the Knight's pack looks solid with decent depth.

It is for that reason that the majority of them won't likely be workhorse slayers.

2018 Backrower of the Year, Aidan Guerra will again be flat out securing a starting spot as the edge backrowers are likely to be Fitzgibbon and Barnett. Whilst the latter had a very good 2019, Fitzgibbon was one of the flops of the season.

Touted as a big time try scoring forward, Fitzy's return of just five tries and three workhorses for the season was simply pathetic. What's worse is that he only missed three games all season!

In the backs, Edrick Lee was a try scoring freak before injury struck, as he formed a sweet partnership with Ponga on that left wing.

On the right, the departure of the dick-fingered SKD frees up a spot and Bradman Best seems the most likely to step up.

Overall, the Knights are a team under pressure. Promises of success in the way of finals appearances haven't been forgotten and under the reign of Coach Brown, the Knights showed improvement but still fell short.

If the Knights are to be a finals threat this season, they'll need to find a five-eighth who is capable of easing the burden from the big two – Pearce and Ponga.

PLAYER GAINS

JAYDEN BRAILEY
MATTHEW CROKER
LUKE HUTH

GEHAMAT SHIBASAKI ENARI TUALA

PLAYER LOSSES

JAMIE BUHRER
JAMES GAVET
SLADE GRIFFIN
SHAUN KENNY-DOWALL
BRAYDEN MUSGROVE

JESSE RAMIEN
NATHAN ROSS
SAM STONE
ZAC WOOLFORD



HOME

JAYDEN BRAILEY





NEWCASTLE

ROOKIE WATCH:

Bradman Best

We've named Bradman Best as a sleeper, but if you are drafting late enough that people start to see his name in the starting line-up then you just might be too late. He will be a popular wing option.

Unfortunately for Bradman, he only played three games in reserve grade in 2019 but also made his first grade debut. He scored a try in his second game and looks to have the build of a centre but the skills of a winger.

Still only 18 years old, he weighs in at 103kg. Wingers are getting bigger but most will still struggle to pull down his stocky frame.

McDonald Jones

Sunday 6 September





NRLCEO FINALS BEGIN

ROUND 22



FOR THE 2020 NRL SEASON

T. GLASBY

8. FRONT ROW

J. BRAILEY

9. HOOKER

D. SAIFITI

10. FRONT ROW

L. FITZGIBBON

11. BACK ROW

D. KLEMMER

13. LOCK

M. BARNETT

12. BACK ROW

M. LINO

6. FIVE EIGHTH

M. PEARCE

7. HALFBACK

H. HUNT

3. CENTRE

T. MOGA

4. CENTRE

e. Lee

2. WINGER

K. PONGA

1. FULLBACK

R REST

5. WINGER

C. WATSON

14. RESERVE

J. SAIFITI

15. RESERVE

S. MATA'UTIA

16. RESERVE

A. GUERRA

17. RESERVE

COACHED BY - ADAM O'BRIEN - ON DEBUT

CASUALTY WARD

Beau Fermor

Knee

Mid Season

2019 POINTS BREAKDOWN



BACKS 1102 FORWARDS 647/59%

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Fermor, Beau

Jones, Brodie

Sasagi, Nathanael

Hoy, Tex

TA - Try Assist

BR

FE

BR

WG

LB - Line Break

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LBA - Line Break Assist

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(###) - Points incl Goals

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GOALKICKING OPTIONS

KALYN PONGA - 6 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 48/58 (83%) **Career:** 75/97 (77%)

MASON LINO

- 3 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 33/39 (85%) **Career:** 49/60 (82%)

STUD

When it comes to halfbacks, there's few who get their hands on the ball more than *Mitchell Pearce*. Expect his combination with Kalyn Ponga to grow and Pearce to be back to his damaging best as he churns out the TA's and the new repeat sets too.

DUD

Aidan Guerra is a premiership winner, Origin rep and all round workhorse guarantee back in the day. Injuries have caught up with Guerra and with plenty of Knights vying for backrow positions, expect Guerra to permanently warm the pine this year.

SLEEPER

Bradman Best has speed to burn, and if he can lock down a starting spot (likely on the wing) then expect big things from the young rookie. We've seen many rookies burst onto the scene with big try scoring totals. Time for Bradman 2.0.

GAMBLE

Connor Watson will score big in 2020. I don't think anyone doubts that. But I predict it will be the first time he scores more than 100 NRLCEO points in his career. Hooker/Five-Eighth status but potentially Lock tackling numbers.





Premiers 1 Time

Win % 42.3

Bye Rd 16

2015 3rd

2016 4th

2017 8th

2018 13th

2019 14th

Our 2020 Prediction **7**th

> **Odds** *\$17*



WELCOME HOLMES

As predicted, Val Holmes returns home to roost and after the Barba fiasco of last year, the Cowboys desperately needed to fill a void - that being some backline speed.

Word on the street is that Holmes has not missed a beat since his return from his US dream and he is a lock to take on the fullback role.

Despite filling the role admirably, Scott Drinkwater will now battle it out for a halves position with Jake Clifford. Michael Morgan will obviously make up the halves partnership and after a few lean years, he really needs to step up this season and justify his lofty contract.

For the NRLCEO coach, the obvious draft target is metre-eater, Jason Taumalolo. Big Lolo will be playing big minutes with the retirement of Matt Scott.

Also up front, Jordan McLean will be looking for another injury free year. His numbers were pretty solid in 2019 with 14 workhorses but he lacked big metres.

Josh McGuire looks to be the other big bopper up front and should put up big minutes if he can get the rubbish out of his game.

At hooker, Jake Granville's job security has to be under scrutiny with the signing of young star Reece Robson. He has dropped his quality output the last few years so that might not be a bad thing for the Cows.

In the backs, there's a few question marks - most importantly, who will kick goals? Holmes left the NRL a year ago on fire with the boots for the Sharks and common sense suggests that he will get first crack at the kicking tee. However, new recruit Esan Marsters is a chance after kicking for the Tigers whilst Clifford could be the value pick up if he wins a starting jersey.

While Kyle Feldt will line up on the right edge, it is a complete unknown as to who will play on the left. Murray Tuilagi is a chance while Ben Hampton will return from injury and push for a start.

The right backrower is also a mystery. Gavin Cooper will again suit up on the left with Coen Hess, Shane Wright and Mitch Dunn all likely battle it out for a start. There's workhorse value there but who knows who Coach Green will go for.

Overall, the introduction of Holmes at the back has Cowboy fans excited for season 2020. If the forwards can lay a solid platform, then surely the likes of Morgan, Drinkwater and co can do some damage.

PLAYER GAINS



BEN CONDON
SCOTT DRINK WATER
WIREMU GREIG
VALENTINE HOLMES

ESAN MARSTERS
REECE ROBSON
TUKIMIHIA SIMPKINS
GARRETT SMITH

PLAYER LOSSES

CARLIN ANDERSON KURT BAPTISTE SCOTT BOLTON JAVID BOWEN JORDAN KAHU

NENE MACDONALD GIDEON MOSBY-GELA MATTHEW SCOTT ENARI TUALA





ROOKIE WATCH:

Tom Gilbert

As if the Cowboys weren't already stocked up enough with quality locks - enter 18 year old Tom Gilbert.

The Queensland Cup Rookie of the Year is apparently champing at the bit to get a crack at first grade.

He averaged 30 tackles per game in the Queensland Cup including multiple workhorses.

Keep an eye on 20 year old prop Peter Hola as well. He showed he can stack up with the big boys in 2019 in five first grade games last year and will play bigger minutes this year.

Leichhardt Oval

Friday 4 September





NRLCEO FINALS BEGIN

ROUND 22





FOR THE 2020 NRL SEASON

J. MCLEAN

8. FRONT ROW

J. GRANVILLE

9. HOOKER

J. MCGUIRE

10. FRONT ROW

G. COOPER

11. BACK ROW

J. TAUMALOLO

13. LOCK

S. WRIGHT

12. BACK ROW

S. DRINKWATER

6. FIVE EIGHTH

M. MORGAN

7. HALFBACK

J. O'NEILL

3. CENTRE

E. MARSTERS

4. CENTRE

M. TUILAGI

2. WINGER

V. HOLMES

1. FULLBACK

K. FELDT

5. WINGER

R. ROBSON

14. RESERVE

C. HESS

15. RESERVE

J. ASIATA

16. RESERVE

F. MOLO

17. RESERVE

COACHED BY - PAUL GREEN - 54% WIN RATE

CASUALTY WARD

Te Maire Martin

Brain Bleed

Retired

2019 POINTS BREAKDOWN



BACKS 1100 FORWARDS 625 / 57%

PLAYER	POSITION	GAMES	TR	TA	LB	LBA	WH	ME	2019 TOTAL	3 YEAR AVG	POTENTIAL
Taumalolo, Jason	LK	18	3	1	10	1	15	23	131	129	-
Granville, Jake	НК	24	1	9	2	11	17	0	106	73	1
Cooper, Gavin	BR	24	3	1	2	1	19	0	94	95	↓
Morgan, Michael	НВ	20	2	15	2	15	0	4	93	81	-
Marsters, Esan	CT KP 6	24	9	3	6	5	0	14	82 (162)	58 (114)	-
Feldt, Kyle	WG	16	11	3	12	0	0	6	74 (74)	64 (86)	-
McGuire, Josh	LK FR	17	0	0	0	0	15	5	70	99	↑
Opacic, Tom	СТ	19	7	6	6	5	0	7	66	13	-
McLean, Jordan	FR	22	1	0	1	1	14	2	66	18	-
O'Neill, Justin	СТ	8	8	1	5	1	0	7	54	42	1
Wright, Shane	BR	14	2	0	2	0	9	2	50	7	↑
Drinkwater, Scott	FE	10	3	2	3	2	0	7	39	7	-
Asiata, John	LK FE	24	3	4	3	5	1	0	39	13	-
Clifford, Jake	HB KP 1	15	3	2	4	3	0	0	31 (67)	9	-
Taulagi, Murray	WG	6	2	0	2	0	0	4	19	DNP	↑
Robson, Reece	НК	7	0	0	1	0	4	0	17	DNP	↑
Molo, Francis	FR	24	2	1	1	2	1	0	17	DNP	-
Hess, Coen	BR	22	1	0	1	0	2	2	17	67	-
Hampton, Ben	FE HK	8	2	1	2	0	0	1	14	31	-
Dunn, Mitch	BR	9	0	3	0	3	1	0	13	DNP	-
Hola, Peter	FR	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	DNP	-
Holmes, Valentine	FB KP 4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	122 (144)	↑
Jensen, Corey	FR	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	-
Cotter, Reuben	НК	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	-
Greig, Wiremu	FR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Leumelu, Connelly	СТ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Pere, Emry	BR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Simpkins, Tukimihia	FR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Tabuai-Fidow, Hamiso	FB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Gilbert, Tom	LK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-

TR - Try

TA - Try Assist

LB - Line Break

LBA - Line Break Assist

WH - Workhorse

ME - Metre Eater

DNP - Did Not Play

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(###) - Points incl Goals

GOALKICKING OPTIONS

ESAN MARSTERS

- 6 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 40/61 (65%) **Career:** 96/135 (71%)

VALENTINE HOLMES

- 4 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 0/0 (0%) **Career:** 51/69 (74%)

JAKE CLIFFORD

- 1 KICKER POINT -

2019: 18/26 (69%) **Career:** 18/26 (69%)

STUD

Hard to past the king of metre eaters *Jason Taumalolo*. He talked up a Cowboys dynasty last season and was left with egg on his face. This year, he'll be up for a huge one as he becomes the leader of the herd!

DUD

Old *Gavin Cooper* was a genuine warhorse early in his career and a must pick Back Rower, but has tapered off more recently.

Don't be surprised to see him only manage 40-50 mins a game with all the other young bulls wanting their ring time.

SLEEPER

Shane Wright holds his own and can play 80 minutes when needed. A likely bench starter to begin with, but if (or when) Coen Hess shits the bed again this year, Wright could be a handy pick up.

GAMBLE

Most pundits are predicting that Michael Morgan will be partnered in the halves by Scott Drinkwater because he's just too good to leave out. Take a late punt on **Jake Clifford** if you are looking for a low KP kicker.





0 Times
Win %

Bye Rd 12

2015 13th

10th

2012

2019

Our 2020 Prediction

> **Odds** *\$34*



ON TWO WINGERS BUT NEED A PRAYER

Things are getting dire across the ditch as the Kiwis search for some much needed success. As expected, Season 2019 was not kind to the Warriors as they exceeded expectations finishing in lowly 13th.

Success stories have been few and far between and honestly, it would take a miracle for season 2020 to be much different.

On paper, the Warriors will churn out much the same as last season. It does not bode well really, with minimal changes to a team crying out for some consistency.

Wayde Egan is a decent signing from the Panthers but at this stage of his young career, he's not a game winner.

The halves combination of Blake Green and Kodi Nikorima were consistent without being brilliant in 2019 and there could be a chance for youngster Chanel Harris-Tavita to cement a starting position if he can find some consistency in amongst his considerable flair.

For the NRLCEO Coach, the Warriors back three continue to be the perfect draft choices if metre eaters are a valuable commodity. Kenny Maumalo had a break out season and was one of the shining lights. There's no reason why he can't have another big season and if his edge partner David Fusitua can remain fit, then the Warriors have any excellent launching pad to commence their sets from.

At the back, Skipper Roger Tuivasa-Sheck had another very good season. Seven tries, 10 try assists and a career high 29 metre eaters saw him confirm his status as the best metre eating back of all time.

In the forwards, the once workhorse machine Tohu Harris experienced an injury plagued season. He's definitely not over the hill though and is capable of regaining the form which once made him a great backrow target.

Isaiah Papali'i is another hard working edge backrower and his 19 workhorses last season makes him a handy player in a position that is short on quality across the competition.

In the #13, Jazz Tevaga enjoyed another studious season. Although he'll start the season in rehab, once he comes back, expect more of the same for the hardworking, ball playing lock.

The rest of the Warrior forwards are rotated quite generously. None stand out as draft targets as they are used for impact over shorter stints rather than long duration.

Overall, the Warriors possess some genuine draft talent and if they can put it all together, they can become a real force. However, there's simply too many questions that need to be answered before the Warriors become title contenders. Even the simplest question of who will take the kicking boots this season is too tough to answer with any certainty...



HOME

PLAYER GAINS

TOM ALE
ROCCO BERRY
JOSHUA CURRAN
WAYDE EGAN

ISRAEL OGDEN
SELESITINO RAVUTAUMADA
TYLER SLADE

PLAYER LOSSES

BLAKE AYSHFORD ISSAC LUKE

LIGI SAO CHRIS SATAE





ISSAC LUKE



BLAKE AYSHFORD

ROOKIE WATCH:

Tom Ale

Another forward to keep an eye on for his entry to first grade. Although it won't be for Round 1.

I've seen young Tom Ale play a few lower grade games and don't want to get carried away but he does have a few similarities to Jason Taumalolo.

He has some crazy Jersey Flegg statistics which is a good start, but he'll obviously need to get used to the pace of the NRL.

He is a punishing ball runner and almost impossible for one defender to bring down.

He has played both prop and lock as well as a bit of centre.







FOR THE 2020 NRL SEASON

8. FRONT ROW

9. HOOKER

10. FRONT ROW

11. BACK ROW

13. **LOCK**

12. BACK ROW

6. FIVE EIGHTH

7. HALFBACK

3. CENTRE

4. CENTRE

2. WINGER

1. FULLBACK

5. WINGER

14. RESERVE

15. RESERVE

16. RESERVE

17. RESERVE

COACHED BY - STEPHEN KEARNEY - 36% WIN RATE

CASUALTY WARD

Gerard Beale Karl Lawton

Nathaniel Roache Jazz Tevaga

Knee Shoulder

Knee

Ankle

Early Rounds

Early Rounds Mid Season

Round 5

2019 POINTS BREAKDOWN



BACKS 1209 **FORWARDS** 655 / 54% 554 / 46%

PLAYER	POSITION	GAMES	TR	TA	LB	LBA	WH	ME	2019 TOTAL	3 YEAR AVG	POTENTIAL
Maumalo, Ken	WG	23	17	0	18	0	0	26	139	38	-
Tuivasa-Sheck, Roger	FB	23	7	10	14	9	0	29	131	85	-
Hiku, Peta	CT WG	23	6	10	10	14	0	12	93	40	↓
Tevaga, Jazz	LK	22	2	0	3	2	19	3	93	37	↑
Green, Blake	FE HB	21	2	16	4	14	0	0	91	50	-
Papali'i, Isaiah	BR	23	2	0	1	2	19	0	88	41	-
Burr, Lachlan	LK	23	1	1	3	1	15	0	70	DNP	-
Nikorima, Kodi	FE HB	21	5	8	6	11	0	2	69 (71)	54	-
Blair, Adam	LK FR	22	2	2	2	2	13	1	66	29	V
Harris, Tohu	BR	13	2	2	3	4	9	2	61	59	↑
Ah Mau, Leeson	FR	24	0	0	0	1	11	1	47	30	-
Paasi, Agnatius	LK FR	23	2	0	2	0	9	0	44	29	-
Fusitua, David	WG	16	5	3	7	1	0	2	38	101	↑
Harris-Tavita, Chanel	FE HB KP 4	13	2	6	3	5	0	0	37 (85)	DNP	↑
Egan, Wayde	НК	18	2	3	3	4	3	0	36	14	↑
Afoa, Bunty	LK FR	20	1	0	1	0	3	1	19	25	-
Herbert, Patrick	CT KP 5	8	3	1	3	1	0	0	18 (48)	DNP	↑
Beale, Gerard	СТ	13	1	2	1	3	0	2	16	50	-
Roache, Nathaniel	НК	6	1	2	3	2	0	0	14	7	-
Keighran, Adam	FE KP 1	6	1	1	2	1	0	0	11 (29)	DNP	-
Pompey, Adam	WG	5	2	0	2	0	0	0	10	DNP	-
Lisone, Sam	FR	12	2	0	1	0	0	0	9	6	-
Lawton, Karl	НК	9	1	0	2	1	0	0	7	12	-
Milne, Taane	CT KP 1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	8	-
Pulu, Leivaha	LK FR	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	-
Perham, Hayze	FB	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	-
Curran, Josh	LK	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	-
Cook, Sam	НК	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	0	-
Ogden, Israel	FB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Ravutaumada, Selesitino	WG	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-

GOALKICKING OPTIONS

LB - Line Break

PATRICK HERBERT

TR - Try

ME - Metre Eater

- 5 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 5/21 (71%) **Career:** 5/21 (71%)

CHANEL HARRIS-TAVITA

- 4 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 24/30 (80%) **Career:** 24/30 (80%)

ADAM KEIGHRAN

- 1 KICKER POINT -

WH - Workhorse

(###) - Points incl Goals

2019: 9/10 (90%) **Career:** 9/10 (90%)

STUD

TA - Try Assist

DNP - Did Not Play

Kenny Maumalo had a breakout season in 2019 and while scoring plenty of pies, he was running a long way as well.
 A big body who loves the tough runs and post contact metres, lock Kenny in for more of the same in 2020.

DUD

Never thought I would say this about *Tohu Harris* but coaches have been burnt the last couple of seasons due to major foot and knee injuries. Goes well when fit, but will likely get injured during the business end of the season when you need him most.

LBA - Line Break Assist

* - Denotes Super League Stats

SLEEPER

The Warriors have a number of players who can play Hooker, but new recruit **Wade Egan** has the most potential out of all of them. The biggest question is how many minutes will Kodi Nikorima take away from him if he plays on the bench?

GAMBLE

Believe it or not I would gamble on **David Fusitua** over Ken Maumalo. Even though Ken is coming off a breakout year, the Fus has a better try scoring strike rate (0.62 tries per game) than Kenny (0.35) over their career.





PLEASE HELP, THOROUGHBREDS!!!

The Eels over-performed last season to finish in 5th place and who will ever forget their complete destruction of the Broncos in the first week of the finals? One thing is for certain, if the Eels could play every game at Bankwest Stadium, they would be a fair dinkum premiership threat.

With that being said, there is no reason why they can't give the title a good shake this season. There have been minimal losses to their roster for 2020 and that bodes well for Coach Brad Arthur.

Last season, despite a rocks or diamonds start to the season, the Eels showed that scoring points wasn't an issue.

Mitchell Moses playing on the right had a massive season with a whopping 23 try assists. His kicking was good too and if NRLCEO coaches think the Eels will have a good season, then Moses could be an insightful early draft pick.

On the other side, Dylan Brown worked nicely with Clint Gutherson to put the Fijian Flyer Maika Sivo away for 20 tries in his rookie season. HOWEVER, before getting too excited about Maika, he's in a bit of strife with the law at the moment and it remains to be seen if and/or when he will play in season 2020.

The loss of Sivo could be massive for the Eels. In fact, he'll probably cost them a number of positions on the ladder if he is out for any considerable length of time. On the other wing, Fergy Ferg will look to compensate for the possible loss of Sivo and his metre eating was very good in his debut season for the Eels.

In the forwards, the Eels have some quality draft targets with Reed Mahoney being a very solid hooker choice. Whilst he doesn't run much, his five tries and 22 workhorses suggests he's bloody handy in NRLCEO.

Nathan Brown always comes under fire in this guide and again in season 2019, he missed half of the season. When on the field, he gives the double horse a good shake but he's simply too injury prone to warrant an early draft.

On the left edge, Shaun Lane is all potential but doesn't get involved enough to be high draft value. Manu Mau's departure will be taken by new recruit Ryan Matterson, who was excellent for the Tigers last year.

Up front, the signing of Campbell-Gillard could put a further dent in Alvaro's minutes which is sad because he was once the best contributions/minute player in the NRL.

Overall, the Eels are a very good team on paper and they're a team on the rise. Plenty depends on Sivo's availability though and Parra officials might do good to send an SOS to the Bronco Thoroughbreds for a good old fashioned sweep under the rug...

Premiers 4 Times

Win % 45.6

> Bye Rd 16

2015 12th

2016 14th

2017

2018 16th

2019

Our 2020 **Prediction** 5th

> **Odds** \$12





PLAYER GAINS

WAQABLAKE REAGAN CAMPBELL-GILLARD RHYS DAVIES HAZE DUNSTER

SAMUEL HUGHES BROCK LAMB RYAN MATTERSON

PLAYER LOSSES

BEVAN FRENCH GREG LELEISIUAO MANU MA'U **TIM MANNAH**

MATT MCILWRICK TEPAI MOEROA KAYSA PRITCHARD







WAQA BLAKE

ROOKIE WATCH:

Ethan Parry

There is so much up in the air about Maika Sivo that we need to start exploring back-up options.

The Eels could run with Josh Hoffman or another Jennings brother, but I feel like this season they need to go with some fire power rather than just a stop gap. Ethan Parry is the best option in that sense. The 191cm tall timber is the perfect winger to test out the new rules which outlaw any tackling in the air.

Parry scored a try on debut in Round 19 2019 and there is plenty more of where that came from if he can manage the defensive side of the game as well.









FOR THE 2020 NRL SEASON

R. C-GILLARD

8. FRONT ROW

R. MAHONEY

9. HOOKER

J. PAULO

10. FRONT ROW

S. LANE

11. BACK ROW

N. BROWN

13. LOCK

R. MATTERSON

12. BACK ROW

D. BROWN

6. FIVE EIGHTH

M. MOSES

7. HALFBACK

M. JENNINGS

3. CENTRE

W. BLAKE

4. CENTRE

M. SIVO

2. WINGER

C. GUTHERSON

1. FULLBACK

B. FERGUSON

5. WINGER

B. TAKAIRANGI

14. RESERVE

K. EVANS

15. RESERVE

M. NIUKORE

16. RESERVE

D. ALVARO

17. RESERVE

COACHED BY - BRAD ARTHUR - 47% WIN RATE

CASUALTY WARD

No injuries or suspensions for round 1

2019 POINTS BREAKDOWN



BACKS 1352 FORWARDS 601 / 44%

PLAYER	POSITION	GAMES	TR	TA	LB	LBA	WH	ME	2019 TOTAL	3 YEAR AVG	POTENTIAL
Gutherson, Clinton	FB KP 1	24	8	13	11	19	0	20	138	75	-
Matterson, Ryan	BR	24	5	3	4	4	21	5	131	53	-
Mahoney, Reed	НК	24	5	3	5	5	22	0	128	17	-
Sivo, Maika	WG	23	20	2	22	0	0	11	126	DNP	\
Moses, Mitchell	HB KP 8	24	2	23	6	18	0	1	119 (291)	71 (166)	↑
Ferguson, Blake	WG KP 1	17	9	4	9	3	0	13	84	92	↑
Lane, Shaun	BR	23	4	4	5	7	8	3	74	40	•
Takairangi, Brad	BR CT	21	8	6	6	4	0	10	74	38	\
Jennings, Michael	СТ	17	9	3	6	4	0	6	62	68	•
Brown, Nathan	LK	11	1	1	1	1	12	3	61	79	↑
C-Gillard, Reagan	FR	23	1	1	2	1	12	2	61	46	•
Niukore, Marata	BR	23	3	0	3	0	9	0	51	4	-
Blake, Waqa	СТ	17	4	2	6	1	0	11	50	73	-
Brown, Dylan	FE	13	2	4	4	3	0	3	41	DNP	↑
Paulo, Junior	FR	22	1	2	1	8	4	3	39	25	-
Hoffman, Josh	CT WG	10	5	0	2	0	0	3	28	39	-
Alvaro, Daniel	FR	17	1	0	0	0	5	0	24	54	↑
Salmon, Jaeman	FE	12	1	4	2	2	0	0	22	4	-
Evans, Kane	FR	18	1	0	2	0	2	1	12	6	-
Kaufusi, Oregon	FR	8	1	0	3	0	0	0	7	DNP	-
Parry, Ethan	WG	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	7	DNP	-
Gower, David	LK FR	16	1	0	0	1	0	0	5	16	-
Terepo, Peni	LK FR	16	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	25	-
Smith, Will	FE FB	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	14	-
Jennings, George	WG	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	-
Stone, Ray	BR	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	-
Afuolo, Tui	СТ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Davey, Andrew	BR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Hughes, Samuel	BR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Leleisiuao, Greg	CT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-

TR - Try

TA - Try Assist

LB - Line Break

LBA - Line Break Assist

WH - Workhorse

ME - Metre Eater

DNP - Did Not Play

* - Denotes Super League Stats

(###) - Points incl Goals

GOALKICKING OPTIONS

MITCHELL MOSES

- 8 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 92/118 (78%) **Career:** 246/325 (76%)

CLINT GUTHERSON

- 1 KICKER POINT -

2019: 0/0 (0%) **Career:** 60/85 (70%)

BLAKE FERGUSON

- 1 KICKER POINT -

2019: 0/0 (0%) **Career:** 22/32 (69%)

STUD

Off the back of a great season with the Tigers, new recruit **Ryan Matterson** is set to earn the big bucks and prove why he is worth it. Lots of tackles combined with good running lines – he's captaincy material in double point competitions.

DUD

Michael Jennings needs to have someone check his birth certificate. How can someone this grey and slow still keep his place each week in a gun Eels team? Depth pick up for your centres only and don't tell your mates.

SLEEPER

Reagan Campbell-Gillard finds himself a new home at the Eels. Look to see a reinvigorated player that can rack up the stats, especially when he's trying to impress a new coach. Will improve on his 12 workhorses from last year.

GAMBLE

Daniel Alvaro has dropped down to third in the Eels front row pecking order. We know from the past that he has a ceiling of 20 workhorses in a year. If you are getting to the filling of your bench players it could be worth a game on Alvaro.





BREAK GLASS IN CASE OF FAILURE

Coach Ivan Cleary has had his full season with the squad to get 'things sorted' and with Gus gone, the old five year plan has been thrown out the window.

Seriously, despite making the finals last season, the Panthers were bitterly disappointing. Their customary slow starts continued and they only started playing footy once the games were almost over.

Coach Cleary needs to learn from this and remove the shackles - if he does, expect the Panthers to play the free flowing football that won them the title way back in 2003.

At the forefront of Panther success is Nathan Cleary but his form has been average at best for the last couple of seasons. With the departure of James Maloney, it has to be expected that Cleary will become the man when it comes to pulling the strings in attack.

The NSW half is certainly capable of carving up opposition but he needs to find his mojo of a few seasons ago.

For the NRLCEO Coach, the Panther's boast a big name draft target in James Fisher-Harris. He's a big intimidating player who played massive minutes last season and is a genuine Round 1 draft target with his dual positioning.

The signing of Api Koroisau is a good one and if he can remain injury free, he will definitely help trigger the Panther's attack. Api is definitely a step up on past Panther hookers who were young and still learning their trade in the big league.

Backrowers Isaah Yeo and Liam Martin rotated in the lock position last season and the make-up of the Panther pack is a bit of a mystery. The signings of Zane Tetevano and Kurt Capewell are solid but a little uninspiring to be honest.

Up front, James Tamou remains a rock and he'll have to repeat his excellent 2019 with the departure of Reagan Campbell-Gillard to the Eels. JFH could join him in the front row freeing up the lock position for a smaller working type player. If that's the case, Liam Martin could have some decent draft value.

In the backs, Brian To'o was a try scoring revelation last year and there's no reason why he can't continue his strike rate. On the other wing, The Mansauce is another who needs to rediscover his mojo and he is under pressure to perform straight up.

The left hand edge of Brent Naden and Villiame Kikau is a good one and is a definite strength of the Mountain Men. If the halves can get these boys some early ball, expect them to give the opposition plenty of trouble.

Overall, the Panthers really need to improve this season if they are to feature in the finals again. It is foreseeable that they could struggle with the flair and experience of Maloney going overseas.

Expect the Panthers to flounder, miss the finals and pressure to mount at the foot of the mountains.

PLAYER GAINS

KURT CAPEWELL SHANNON HARRIS APISAI KOROISAU GLENN MCGRADY ZANE TETEVANO

PLAYER LOSSES

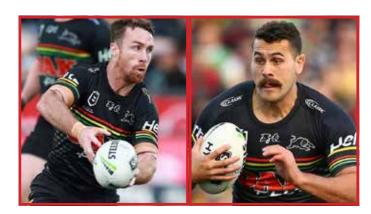
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WAYDE EGAN
TYRELL FUIMAONO
TIM GRANT
SIONE KATOA

NICK LUI-TOSO
JAMES MALONEY
TYRONE PHILLIPS
PAEA PUA
HAME SELE
FRANK WINTERSTEIN



AWAY

HOME





ROOKIE WATCH:

Billy Burns

per game! You wouldn't believe me.

done in his two first grade appearance for the Panthers last year. The Parkes Spacemen junior scored two tries in the last game of the season. Such was the rout, he only made one tackle in that game.

scored for the Panthers NSW Cup team with 12 tries in 19 games. Is he the next Lachlan Fitzgibbon to burst onto the scene?





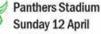




Panthers Stadium Saturday 14 March



AAMI Park Saturday 28 March





McDonald Jones Sunday 26 April

Bathurst Sunday 10 May



Bankwest Stadium Sunday 24 May



Panthers Stadium Sunday 7 June



Panthers Stadium Friday 26 June



Friday 10 July Panthers Stadium

Friday 24 July

Netstrata Jubilee



Panthers Stadium Friday 7 August



Bankwest Stadium Sunday 23 August

Panthers Stadium Sunday 6 September





Netstrata Jubilee Friday 20 March



Panthers Stadium Saturday 4 April

Panthers Stadium Sunday 19 April



Suncorp Stadium Sunday 3 May

GIO Stadium Sunday 17 May

BYE

Bankwest Stadium Friday 12 June

Suncorp Stadium Thursday 2 July

Panthers Stadium Thursday 16 July

Mt Smart Stadium Friday 31 July



Panthers Stadium Thursday 13 August



Lottoland Sunday 30 August

NRLCEO FINALS BEGIN **ROUND 22**







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15. RESERVE

Z. TETEVANO

16. RESERVE

M. LEOTA

17. RESERVE

COACHED BY - IVAN CLEARY - 47% WIN RATE

CASUALTY WARD

No injuries or suspensions for round 1

2019 POINTS BREAKDOWN



BACKS 974 FORWARDS 570 / 59%

PLAYER	POSITION	GAMES	TR	TA	LB	LBA	WH	ME	2019 TOTAL	3 YEAR AVG	POTENTIAL
Fisher-Harris, James	LK FR	24	2	5	2	7	26	6	143	44	-
Cleary, Nathan	HB KP 8	21	10	11	8	12	0	4	120 (236)	65 (174)	-
Tamou, James	FR	24	4	1	6	1	20	3	112	52	1
Edwards, Dylan	FB	20	6	1	6	2	0	17	69	33	1
To'o, Brian	WG	15	9	0	8	0	0	11	68	DNP	-
Kikau, Viliame	BR	18	7	1	9	1	6	2	66	27	-
Naden, Brent	СТ	12	8	1	6	2	0	8	60	DNP	↑
Martin, Liam	LK	16	2	1	2	0	11	0	54	DNP	-
Capewell, Kurt	BR CT	24	1	4	5	5	7	1	53	22	-
Yeo, Isaah	LK BR	18	2	0	1	1	8	2	46	73	-
Koroisau, Apisai	HK	20	1	1	4	2	5	0	34	68	1
Mansour, Josh	WG	19	1	0	4	1	0	10	29	71	-
Kenny, Mitchell	HK	12	0	1	0	0	6	0	26	DNP	-
Whare, Dean	CT	18	1	6	2	6	0	2	26	26	-
Leota, Moses	FR	24	3	1	2	0	1	0	20	4	-
Luai, Jarome	FE KP 2	14	0	4	1	3	0	1	16	6	↑
Tetevano, Zane	FR	21	0	0	0	0	1	1	6	8	-
Aekins, Caleb	FB	3	0	0	2	0	0	2	6	6	-
Burton, Matt	FE	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	4	DNP	-
W-Zelezniak, Malakai	WG	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	3	29	-
Crichton, Stephen	СТ	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	3	DNP	-
Burns, Billy	BR	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	10	DNP	-
Cartwright, Jed	BR	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
Hetherington, Jack	BR	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	-
Ellis, Kaide	LK	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	-
Leniu, Spencer	FR	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	-
Blore, Dean	FE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Blore, Shawn	BR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Harris, Shannon	СТ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Laurie, Daine	FB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	
TR - Try	TA - Try Assist	L	.B - Lir	ne Brea	ak		LBA -	Line B	reak Assist	WH - V	Vorkhorse

GOALKICKING OPTIONS

* - Denotes Super League Stats

NATHAN CLEARY

DNP - Did Not Play

ME - Metre Eater

- 8 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 58/66 (88%) Career: 243/285 (85%)

STUD

James Fisher-Harris is one tough hombre and the mountain men need him to play big minutes just like last year. Expect another 26 workhorse season in 2020 and draft him early with his dual positioning.

SLEEPER

With nine tries from 15 games last season, Brian To'o will look to continue that form into 2020. His spectacular diving tries made many 2019 NRL highlight reels. Sitting at 13th best winger for 2019, he should slip on many radars.

JAROME LUAI

(###) - Points incl Goals

- 2 KICKER POINTS -2019: 0/0 (0%) **Career:** 8/11 (72%)

DUD

Dean Whare only scored one try last year and had a handful of try assists, which puts him firmly at the bottom of preferred centres. Avoid picking this deadweight up as he lacks any type of attacking ability whatsoever.

GAMBLE

The talent of **Brent Naden** is not a gamble. But I am looking at gambling that Naden should be your first centre picked in 2020. Eight tries in 12 games in 2019 showed what is capable of. With centre value struggling the last few years, he's worth a gamble.





Premiers

Win % 50.8

1 Time

Bye Rd 16

2015 8th

2016 11th

2017 9th

2018 7th

2019 15th

Our 2020 Prediction 12th

> **Odds** \$26



MCGREGOR'S MIRACLE

Gareth Widdop is gone and after an internal review, Paul McGregor is again sitting pretty at the helm of the Dragons. However, the key inclusion of ex-Shark Coach Shane Flanagan as an assistant should be a good one and if nothing else, the Dragons should be jacked from their new supplement regime based on the Instagram photos I've seen.

2019 was a shocker for St Merge as they plummeted down the ladder to finish in 15th position. With the roster they have got, it has to be a genuine miracle that McGregor was not shown the door.

Apart from the odd 'De Belin distracting us excuse' the players have taken responsibility for their poor results and surely in 2020, they will improve. Right...?

One man who can hold his head high is Cam McInnes. The brave little hooker had an amazing season in which he amassed 29 workhorses. Not only that, his try saving tackles late in the season were simply brilliant and showed why he deserves the captaincy.

Whilst McInnes is a genuine first round target, the other forwards around him also have some draft worthiness.

Paul Vaughan has only scored four tries in his last two seasons

but his work ethic and contributions has gone up considerably. 21 workhorses is excellent from the big prop with massive traps.

Much will depend on what happens to JDB early this season as to what rotation McGregor goes with. The signing of Issac Luke shouldn't hurt McInnes too much.

On the edges, Frizell and Sims are likely workhorse customers.

In the backs, it would seem the lively Matt Dufty is on the outer again, despite extending his contract. There's talk that Zac Lomax will get the start at fullback and also take on the kicking role.

The rest of the backline makeup is anyone's guess really. McGregor could go with the norm of Lafai and Aitken in the centres but the definition of insanity is doing the same thing year after year and expecting a different outcome.

On the wings, there's an abundance of young stars ready to have a go, including Tristan Sailor, who showed glimpses of his old man's talent last season when given the chance.

Overall, the Dragons are a solid team on paper. Their pack in particular is very, very good. But, the halves combination of Corey Norman and Ben Hunt has to click from the start if the Dragons are to feature anywhere near the top 8 this season.

PLAYER GAINS

ADAM CLUNE
MAT FEAGAI
MAX FEAGAI
TYRELL FUIMAONO

ISSAC LUKE
TRENT MERRIN
SHAUN SAUNI-ESAU
BRAYDEN WILIAME

PLAYER LOSSES

MITCHELL ALLGOOD
PATRICK KAUFUSI
JEREMY LATIMORE
LUCIANO LEILUA

STEVEN MARSTERS
JONUS PEARSON
REECE ROBSON
GARETH WIDDOP



HOME





ISSAC LUKE TRENT MERRIN

GARETH WIDDOP LUCIANO LEILUA

Jason Saab

The introduction of the new rule which outlaws tackling in the air even in the act of scoring means tall timber wingers will increase in value in 2020.

So when you have a 1.99m winger like Jason Saab then you have to think he will test plenty of opponents this year.

Last year he scored three tries in his first three games in first grade, including a memorable double on debut. He will savour being on the outside of those Ben Hunt cross kicks.

Saab, Tristan Sailor and Jordan Pereira will all contest for the winger position throughout the season with none of them having a mortgage on the position.

WIN Stadium

Thursday 3 September





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ROUND 22





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17. RESERVE

COACHED BY - PAUL MCGREGOR - 47% WIN RATE

CASUALTY WARD

Jack de Belin

Stood Down

Indefinite

2019 POINTS BREAKDOWN



BACKS 1240 FORWARDS 682 / 55%

PLAYER	POSITION	GAMES	TR	TA	LB	LBA	WH	ME	2019 TOTAL	3 YEAR AVG	POTENTIAL
McInnes, Cameron	НК	23	3	5	5	7	29	1	156	120	-
Hunt, Ben	НВ	21	8	13	10	12	0	3	117	90	-
Vaughan, Paul	FR	23	2	1	2	1	21	7	111	88	-
Norman, Corey	FE	19	2	15	4	17	0	7	98	62	-
Lawrie, Blake	LK FR	23	0	0	0	0	20	1	82	DNP	1
Aitken, Euan	СТ	24	6	5	8	4	0	17	80	79	1
Graham, James	FR	19	0	1	0	2	16	0	68	106	-
Ravalawa, Mikaele	WG	19	11	1	12	2	0	3	67	DNP	-
Sims, Tariq	BR	19	3	0	5	1	12	0	67	55	-
Frizell, Tyson	LK BR	21	2	1	0	1	13	1	65	74	1
Luke, Issac	HK KP 2	17	4	2	4	9	4	2	56 (102)	85 (115)	V
Lafai, Tim	CT KP 1	21	2	6	5	6	0	10	51	40	-
Dufty, Matt	FB	16	5	3	4	4	0	4	42	45	T
Lomax, Zac	CT WG KP 6	14	5	1	3	4	0	4	37	1 (3)	-
Host, Jacob	BR	17	1	1	2	1	6	1	35	5	-
Pereira, Jordan	WG	11	5	0	6	1	0	3	31	16	-
Sims, Korbin	LK FR	16	2	0	2	2	2	0	20	44	-
Ford, Jackson	BR	5	1	1	0	2	2	0	16	DNP	-
Saab, Jason	WG	3	3	0	1	0	0	1	15	DNP	-
Sailor, Tristan	FB	3	1	0	1	0	0	2	9	DNP	-
Field, Jai	FE	6	1	0	1	0	0	1	7	1	-
Kerr, Josh	FR	8	1	0	2	0	0	0	6	DNP	-
Nicholls, Darren	НВ	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	4	DNP	-
Allgood, Mitchell	FR	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	-
Kaufusi, Patrick	LK FR	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	-
Blacker, Eddie	FR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Clune, Adam	НВ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
De Belin, Jack	LK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	96	-
Merrin, Trent	LK FR	27*	4*	3*	3*	*	*	*	23*	81	1
Wiliame, Brayden	WG	25*	10*	*	*	*	*	*	40*	DNP	-

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GOALKICKING OPTIONS

ZAC LOMAX- 6 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 15/19 (79%) **Career:** 26/32 (81%)

ISSAC LUKE
- 2 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 23/27 (85%) **Career:** 204/283 (72%)

TIM LAFAI
- 1 KICKER POINT -

2019: 9/15 (60%) **Career:** 25/39 (64%)

STUD

Newly appointed skipper *Cam McInnes* is a gun and despite injury late last season, he smashed the stats finishing sixth overall. A move to Lock late in the game may get him the metres to take him to double horseland.

DUD

Euan Aitken is another centre in the dud club. While he does show some ability on his day, expect the Dragons attack to struggle in 2020. Off season recruits will put a lot of pressure on this Dragon to maintain his position in the team.

SLEEPER

The Dragons didn't have much to cheer about last year, however one shining light was the emergence of *Tristan Sailor*. He looks the goods, and now just needs an opportunity on the wing to show us.

GAMBLE

You just know that someone is going to take a punt on **Jack de Belin**. Do you have the moral compass for it to be you?
With a pending court case in March, he could be punching on in prison, or punching out workhorses by April...your move!



Premiers



RUSTY OPENS THE BOOK OF CHEQUES

The Rabbits have opened the chequebook, flashed the cash and even engaged Rusty Crowe's charm in a bid to counteract the success of their cross town rivals, the Roosters and geez haven't they been successful.

Incoming are big name recruits Latrell Mitchell, Jai Arrow and Josh Addo-Carr – the last two yet to be confirmed but extremely likely to be lining up in the cardinal and myrtle this season.

Obviously the retirements of GI, Sammy Burgess and John Sutton are significant but the Bunnies have moved to negate them as quickly as possible.

All of a sudden, Uncle Wayne has a gun backline at his disposal but does he know what to do with it? It has to be said that it's been a while now, since Wayne Bennett coached teams focussed on attack but with those signings, it appears he will have no choice!

For the NRLCEO Coach the big issue is the kicking conundrum that is now evident thanks to the Mitchell signing. Will Latrell kick goals or will the ever reliable Adam Reynolds continue the job? Whatever the answer, the NRLCEO fraternity has lost a quality kicker from its ranks and the fallout is likely to be considerable in the draft.

Of course, there's more questions that need to be answered about

Latrell's switch to fullback. Only time can answer these questions but in all likelihood, he'll be a raging success.

That bodes well for the outside backs who are set to benefit from having a fullback of GI proportions at the back.

In the forwards, it's hard to imagine Damien Cook doing anything else but double workhorsing again every week. Although he won't have all three Burgesses to play off the back of, he will have blokes like Cameron Murray who have the fastest ruck speed in the NRL.

Speaking of Murray, he'll likely benefit with more minutes this season. Along with more maturity and experience, he'll be up for a massive 2020.

On the edges, it looks as if Jayden Su'A and Ethan Lowe will get first crack. Those are the obvious selections but don't discount a random Bennett selection to keep us guessing.

Overall, the Bunnies now have arguably the best spine in the competition. Cody Walker is the best NRLCEO five-eighth in town and with the inclusion of repeat sets as a scoring option, he will go early as per usual.

It's scary to think of the players that have left and consequently the guns coming in. Kudos has to go to the Rabbitoh's accountant – he's done a cracking job!

PLAYER GAINS

TROY DARGAN
BROCK GARDNER
BRYSON GOODWIN
JACK JOHNS

STEVEN MARSTERS
LATRELL MITCHELL
JAXSON PAULO
JAYDN SU'A

PLAYER LOSSES

DEAN BRITT
BILLY BRITTAIN
GEORGE BURGESS
SAM BURGESS
JACOB GAGAN
GREG INGLIS

RHYS KENNEDY
JOHN SUTTON
CONNOR TRACEY
KYLE TURNER
ADAM DOUEIHI



AWAY

HOME



Tom Amone

The Rabbitohs are all of a sudden looking light up front after the departure of two Burgess brothers and will look to the likes of Tom Amone to step up and fill that gap.

The aggressive Tongan front rower played three games in first grade last season without scoring any NRLCEO points but showing promise.

He averaged 128 metres per game in NSW Cup and 22 tackles per game.









FOR THE 2020 NRL SEASON

T. BURGESS

8. FRONT ROW

D. COOK

9. HOOKER

L. KNIGHT

10. FRONT ROW

E. LOWE

11. BACK ROW

C. MURRAY

13. LOCK

J. SU'A

12. BACK ROW

C. WALKER

6. FIVE EIGHTH

A. REYNOLDS

7. HALFBACK

C. GRAHAM

3. CENTRE

J. ROBERTS

4. CENTRE

A. JOHNSTON

2. WINGER

L. MITCHELL

1. FULLBACK

D. GAGAI

5. WINGER

B. BURNS

14. RESERVE

T. TATOLA

15. RESERVE

M. NICHOLLS

16. RESERVE

T. AMONE

17. RESERVE

COACHED BY - WAYNE BENNETT - 62% WIN RATE

CASUALTY WARD

No injuries or suspensions for round 1

2019 POINTS BREAKDOWN



BACKS 604 / 54% FORWARDS 516 / 46%

PLAYER	POSITION	GAMES	TR	TA	LB	LBA	WH	ME	2019 TOTAL	3 YEAR AVG	POTENTIAL
Cook, Damien	НК	23	3	18	6	20	33	6	226	106	-
Walker, Cody	FE	22	15	16	16	17	0	3	157	111	-
Mitchell, Latrell	CT KP 3	22	18	11	13	14	0	7	140 (318)	98 (167)	→
Murray, Cameron	LK	23	10	2	7	4	19	1	133	42	-
Reynolds, Adam	HB KP 7	22	2	12	5	17	0	0	95 (269)	52 (182)	-
Graham, Campbell	WG	24	13	0	16	0	0	4	76	22	-
Roberts, James	СТ	16	5	2	8	0	0	9	49	98	↑
Tatola, Tevita	FR	24	2	0	3	0	8	2	47	0	-
Lowe, Ethan	LK BR KP 1	22	4	0	3	0	4	2	39	70 (97)	-
Knight, Liam	LK FR	20	2	1	2	1	5	0	33	2	↑
Johnston, Alex	FB WG	12	3	3	3	1	0	1	25	92	•
Burns, Braiden	CT WG	9	1	2	2	1	0	7	25	17	-
Allan, Corey	FB WG	17	3	1	4	3	0	0	23	DNP	-
Burgess, Thomas	FR	17	1	0	1	0	3	4	23	29	•
Su'A, Jayden	BR	15	0	1	1	2	2	0	11	14	•
Nicholls, Mark	LK FR	21	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	0	-
Sironen, Bayley	BR	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	-
Amone, Tom	FR	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	-
Cook, Joshua	НК	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Dargan, Troy	НВ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	0	-
Denniss, Corey	СТ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	10	-
Dillon, Kurt	FR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Gardner, Brock	LK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Gebbie, Edene	FB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Hawkins, Dean	НВ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Johns, Jack	FE FB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Mago, Patrick	LK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Marsters, Steve	FB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Paulo, Jaxson	WG	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Goodwin, Bryson	CT WG	24*	8*	1*	16*	*	*	9*	68*	65	-
TR - Try	TA - Try Assist	L	.B - Lir	e Brea	ak		LBA -	Line B	reak Assist	WH - W	orkhorse/

* - Denotes Super League Stats

GOALKICKING OPTIONS

DNP - Did Not Play

ADAM REYNOLDS

ME - Metre Eater

- 7 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 96/117 (82%) Career: 644/784 (82%)

STUD

It seems too easy to simply say Damien Cook, but you have to say Damien Cook. His numbers don't lie and he's shooting for an unprecedented three NRLCEO MVP's in a row - lock him in Eddie...

SLEEPER

Jaydn Su'A will look to take one of the open positions in a weakened Rabbits Back Row. With an average of 53 minutes a game, he can pump out workhorses. He had more than 50 minutes five times in 2019 and pushed out two workhorses.

LATRELL MITCHELL

(###) - Points incl Goals

- 3 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 98/130 (75%) Career: 209/281 (74%)

DUD

Alex Johnston has had an almighty fall from grace. Once a top try scorer and great Winger, but he is another one of those wingers that thinks he is a better Fullback. On the outer and could find himself at another club before the season starts.

GAMBLE

Adam Reynolds has always been a reliable kicker, but never a top general CEO scorer. He has scored 49-58 points for the last four years. That changes this year as we increase TA value and introduce repeat sets scoring (37 extra points in 2019).





Premiers 15 Times

Win % 53.1

Bye Rd 12

2015

2016

2017

2018

2019

Our 2020 Prediction **1**st

Odds \$4.33



YOU CAN'T GO WRONG...

It would be a brave man to back the Roosters out for the threepeat! Quite simply, they are a quality, well coached team and when the whips are cracking they'll be there come September.

Despite getting some of their own medicine and having a superstar poached by their arch enemy, the Roosters will field a team that is more than capable of going back-to-back-to-back.

James Tedesco headlines the act for the Latte Sippers and everything he has touched lately has turned to gold. Teddy's combination with Luke Keary is something to behold and NRLCEO Coaches would do well to draft both – but you'll have to pull the trigger on them early to avoid disappointment.

For the NRLCEO Coach, the Roosters score plenty of points but they don't shy away from making tackles either. Titles are won by defence and Jake Friend makes plenty. However, the rise of young Sam Verrills is an intriguing one and Friend could be forced to share plenty of minutes this season as the youngster is groomed.

In the forwards, JWH is a solid prospect but also likely to get sent off every second game. Captain Cordner is slowing down a bit when it comes to workhorses but he loves a pie which makes up for his decreased desire to tackle.

On the right edge there's a big conundrum with Angus Crichton. Will he slot back in there or will he be used off the bench in the core as he was last season? Mitch Aubusson hasn't let anyone down so he has to be favourite to keep the starting gig.

At lock, Victor Radley is a bit hit and miss but surely as he gains experience, he'll require less time on the pine.

In the backs, new recruit Kyle Flanagan looks set to slot in for Cooper Cronk and obviously he has massive shoes to fill. He'll also be filling Latrell's kicking boots so it's going to be a busy year for Kyle.

On the wings, Daniel Tupou and Brett Morris scored plenty of pies last season but an ACL injury to young centre Billy Smith may see Morris moved to the centres. Or, Uncle Nick will offer Bronson Xerri a Ferrari, yacht and copious brown paper bags to join the Roosters on a 12 year deal? Problem solved!

Overall, the Roosters have an abundance of draft options and really it's just a case of figuring out how you can get them all. There won't be any premiership hangover so it's full steam ahead for another title...



HOME

PLAYER GAINS

KYLE FLANAGAN

LUCAS MORETTI

PLAYER LOSSES

COOPER CRONK
JOSHUA CURRAN
BROCK LAMB

BERNARD LEWIS
ZANE TETEVANO







Christian Tuipulotu

This spot had Billy Smith's name locked in until a week ago when he unfortunately suffered an ACL injury. His loss means that there will be opportunities in the Premier's backline. Old timers Brett Morris and Ryan Hall will plug the gaps initially but their injury histories don't fill me with confidence.

So remember the name Christian Tuipulotu. He was a star of New Zealand schoolboy rugby union before the Roosters snatched him for the nest. He was chased by both NRL clubs and Super Rugby clubs before deciding on a move to Bondi.

He plays centre, but could move into the back row in the future as well. While he's a strong defender, it's his late footwork at the line which has clubs so excited.

Friday 21 August

Suncorp Stadium

Friday 4 September





Friday 28 August

NRLCEO FINALS BEGIN

ROUND 22



DAFEN



FOR THE 2020 NRL SEASON

J. W-HARGREAVES

8. FRONT ROW

J. FRIEND

9. HOOKER

S. TAUKEIAHO

10. FRONT ROW

B. CORDNER

11. BACK ROW

V. RADLEY

13. LOCK

M. AUBUSSON

12. BACK ROW

L. KEARY

6. FIVE EIGHTH

K. FLANAGAN

7. HALFBACK

B MORRIS

3. CENTRE

J. MANU

4. CENTRE

D. TUPOU

2. WINGER

J. TEDESCO

1. FULLBACK

R. HALL

5. WINGER

S. VERRILS

14. RESERVE

N. BUTCHER

15. RESERVE

T. LIU

16. RESERVE

A. CRICHTON

17. RESERVE

COACHED BY - TRENT ROBINSON - 64% WIN RATE

CASUALTY WARD

Billy Smith

ACL

Indefinite

2019 POINTS BREAKDOWN



BACKS 1255 FORWARDS 633 / 50%



TA - Try Assist

LB - Line Break

LBA - Line Break Assist

WH - Workhorse

ME - Metre Eater

DNP - Did Not Play

* - Denotes Super League Stats

(###) - Points incl Goals

GOALKICKING OPTIONS

KYLE FLANAGAN

- 7 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 19/31 (61%) **Career:** 19/31 (61%)

SIOSIUA TAUKEIAHO

- 2 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 3/6 (50%) **Career:** 38/54 (70%)

DREW HUTCHISON

- 1 KICKER POINT -

2019: 1/1 (100%) **Career:** 1/1 (100%)

STUD

Dally M Medalist and NRLCEO gun, *James Tedesco* was near impossible to stop last season and there's no reason why he can't be as good again in 2020. Draft him early if you have the chance as he'll be the first fullback taken across most comps!

DUD

Special mention for **Angus Crichton** whose stocks dropped significantly after struggling to post work horse tries in 2019. Big money for a bench back rower who really should be forcing Mitch Aubusson into early retirement but can't get it done.

SLEEPER

No one is going to argue that *Kyle Flanagan* doesn't have talent, but now playing in the halves of the reigning premiers, his stocks will go through the roof. He will likely kick as well after scoring the most points in U20's history in one season ever.

GAMBLE

If you think **Daniel Tupou** is up for another Dream Team start, then you can think again. Suliasi Vunivalu went from gun to water pistol when Cooper Cronk left the Storm. Tupou could be the next to fall without those pinpoint cross field kicks.





CAN'T CATCH THE EYE OF THE TIGERS

Another pre-season under Madge and the Tigers squad will be fit and raring to go! They'll need to be fit because early indications are they'll be doing plenty of tackling in 2020.

The off-season hasn't been kind to the Tigers. They failed to attract any big name recruits, most notably Latrell Mitchell. Mitchell didn't miss in his assessment of the Tigers basically suggesting he wouldn't play for them if they offered him \$2 million a season.

Ryan Matterson also departed on negative terms after demanding more coin. He's right – he's worth more than 300K per season but he should have sucked it up and honoured his contract!

Looking at the Tiger's squad on paper, they suffered a bitter blow, with Jacob Liddle's injury last year. The latest information suggests Captain Mbye will get a crack at dummy half first up. Where this leaves Josh Reynolds though is anyone's guess...

For the NRLCEO Coach, there's really not that much to like. Paul Momirovski gets the boots but how many chances will he actually get when their attack is still relying on the unpredictable but aging Benji Marshall.

At the back, new recruit Adam Doueihi comes with plenty of expectation. The Tigers junior can play everywhere in the backline but fullback will probably be his best position of all. Throw in the fact he's likely going to kick and has zero kicking points after we locked them in and he's well worth a sniff. Corey Thompson can consider himself unlucky. He almost snaffled the fullback

position in a Steven Bradbury scenario but is a solid winger and doesn't let anyone down.

On the wing, David Nofoaluma could be considered in deep drafts but really, there's plenty better.

Much has been touted of young gun Tommy Talau but he may not get his chance in cracking first grade with the signing of BJ Leilua from the Raiders.

BJ will link with brother and fellow new recruit, Luciano and together they could form a dangerous combination on the right edge.

If there is any draft value in the Tigers, it may well be with their halfback, Luke Brooks. Brooks set up 22 tries last season so he's decent value especially as he doesn't carry any kicking points.

Alex Twal and Matt Eisenhuth are also a sneaky mid round pickups and if they get the minutes they have a proven involvement/ minute ratio. Eisenhuth was drafted very early on average last season but it took him awhile to win over Madge's trust. Let's be honest, he's a plodder in the mould of Tolman but he's effective in NRLCEO.

Overall, it's unlikely that the Tigers will be able to repeat their 9th place finish of last season – there's just not enough firepower to mix it with the bigger clubs.

Bye

2015 15th

2016 9th

14th

9th

Our 2020 Prediction **1 A**th

> **Odds** \$34





PLAYER GAINS

REECE HOFFMAN LUCIANO LEILUA ZANE MUSGROVE JAKE SIMPKIN BILLY WALTERS
ADAM DOUEIHI
JOEY LEILUA
HARRY GRANT (ON LOAN)

PLAYER LOSSES

ROBBIE FARAH MAHE FONUA TYSON GAMBLE ESAN MARSTERS RYAN MATTERSON
BEN MATULINO
ROBBIE ROCHOW
PAUL MOMIROVSKI (ON LOAN)





Tommy Talau

Tommy Talau looked destined for a starting berth until the BJ Leilua rumours surfaced. He made his debut in the centres last year and can play centre, five-eighth and back row

His rise to a starting position could take longer with the signings of BJ and Doueihi, but it's just a matter of time until he finds his slot in the team. A fantastic long term prospect who could quickly become a very valuable dual position sensation.

Team mate Benji Marshall has described the son of former Samoan International Willie Talau as the most exciting teenage prospect he's seen since James Tedesco. That's a serious rap! If he can earn even half the CEO points of Teddy then he will be a huge success.







FOR THE 2020 NRL SEASON

A. TWAL

M. MBYE

T. MIKAELE

8. FRONT ROW

9. HOOKER

10. FRONT ROW

L. GARNER

11. BACK ROW

M. EISENHUTH

13. LOCK

C. LAWRENCE

12. BACK ROW

B. MARSHALL

6. FIVE EIGHTH

L. BROOKS

7. HALFBACK

T. TALAU

3. CENTRE

J. LEILUA

4. CENTRE

C. THOMPSON

2. WINGER

A. DOUEIHI

1. FULLBACK

D. NOFOALUMA

5. WINGER

H. GRANT

14. RESERVE

L. LEILUA

15. RESERVE

M. CHEE-KAM

16. RESERVE

J. ALDIAI

17. RESERVE

COACHED BY - MICHAEL MAGUIRE - 54% WIN RATE

CASUALTY WARD

Jacob Liddle

Knee

Mid Season

2019 POINTS BREAKDOWN



BACKS 935 FORWARDS 431 / 46%

PLAYER	POSITION	GAMES	TR	TA	LB	LBA	WH	ME	2019 TOTAL	3 YEAR AVG	POTENTIAL
Brooks, Luke	НВ	24	4	22	3	13	1	6	129	70	-
Marshall, Benji	FE	19	3	21	5	14	0	1	111	39	1
Twal, Alex	FR	24	0	0	0	0	20	2	84	18	-
Eisenhuth, Matt	LK FR	21	1	0	0	0	17	1	74	77	-
Thompson, Corey	FB WG	22	9	1	11	4	0	9	71	30	-
Nofoaluma, David	WG	14	8	0	6	0	0	9	56	80	↑
Garner, Luke	BR	14	7	1	4	1	5	0	53	1	↑
Chee-Kam, Michael	BR	22	6	1	5	0	4	2	51	25	-
Aloiai, Josh	LK FR	17	2	0	2	0	9	1	48	17	-
Leilua, Luciano	BR	22	3	2	4	5	4	1	43	16	-
Jennings, Robert	CT WG	18	6	0	3	0	0	3	34	52	-
Taylor, Elijah	LK	15	1	0	0	0	7	0	32	82	-
Mbye, Moses	CT FB KP 2	17	1	5	2	7	0	4	31	75 (128)	↑
Leilua, Joey	СТ	9	4	1	6	2	0	2	26	111	↑
Lawrence, Chris	BR	13	1	1	2	1	3	0	21	50	-
Douiehi, Adam	CT FB	12	0	3	2	2	0	1	14 (16)	6 (12)	↑
Reynolds, Josh	FE	7	0	3	1	1	0	0	12	44	-
Packer, Russell	FR	6	0	0	1	0	2	1	11	24	-
McQueen, Chris	BR	6	0	1	1	0	1	0	7	31	-
Clark, Oliver	FR	9	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	DNP	-
Liddle, Jacob	НК	11	0	0	2	1	0	0	3	13	-
Talau, Tommy	СТ	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	↑
Walters, Billy	FE	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	-
Mikaele, Thomas	FR	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	-
Grant, Harry	НК	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	↑
Musgrove, Zane	FR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	8	-
Abbey, Bradley	FB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	5	-
Bradley, Kane	FE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Madden, Jock	НВ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
Utoikamanu, Stefano	FR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DNP	DNP	-
TR - Try	TA - Try Assist	L	.B - Lir	ne Brea	ak		LBA -	Line B	reak Assist	WH - W	/orkhorse



* - Denotes Super League Stats

MOSES MBYE - 2 KICKER POINTS -

DNP - Did Not Play

ME - Metre Eater

2019: 10/13 (77%) **Career:** 111/159 (70%)

STUD

There's no real standout players in the Tiger's lineup who warrant emphasis. So, do yourself a favour and don't pick up any early in the draft – you'll know you're on the right track if you have ZERO Tigers in the first five rounds of drafting...

SLEEPER

Look to see *Luke Garner* take the open back row position left by Ryan Matterson. His combination with halfback Luke Brooks and his work ethic should see him rack up the tries and workhorses this season and improve on his 53 points in 2019.

ADAM DOUEIHI

(###) - Points incl Goals

- 0 KICKER POINTS -

2019: 1/1 (100%) **Career:** 10/16 (63%)

DUD

On 800k a season and scored one try with five try assists. No wonder the Tigers struggle to make finals with duds like **Moses Mbye** in the team. Doesn't pose any threat to rival teams defences as this kitten couldn't run through a wall of butterflies.

GAMBLE

Most people's draft lists would have had **Joey Leilua** a long way down if he stayed at the Raiders, but now he's transferred to the Tigers he will star in their backline. Gamble high in your draft as he could be a Dream Team centre.

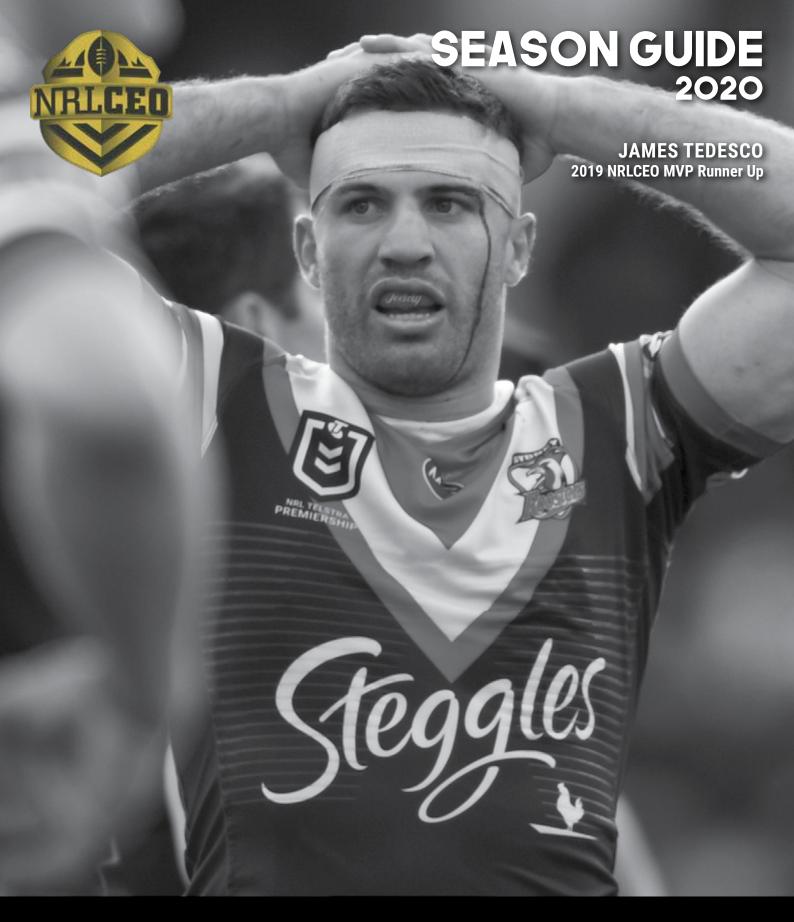


DRAFT PREFERENCES

FRONT ROW	1)	2)	3)
HOOKER	1)	2)	3)
BACK ROW	1)	2)	3)
LOCK	1)	2)	3)
HALF BACK	1)	2)	3)
FIVE EIGHTH	1)	2)	3)
CENTRE	1)	2)	3)
WINGER	1)	2)	3)
FULL BACK	1)	2)	3)

MY SQUAD

8)			9)		10)	
,	FRONT ROW		,	HOOKER	,	FRONT ROW
11)			13)		12)	
,	BACK ROW		,	LOCK	,	BACK ROW
	6)			7)		
		FIVE E	IGHTH		HALF BACK	
	3)			4)		
		CEN	TRE		CENTRE	
2)			1)		5)	
	WINGER			FULLBACK		WINGER
14)			R)		R)	
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15)			R)		R)	
16)			R)		R)	
17)			R)		R)	



WITH THANKS TO OUR FRIENDS AND SUPPORTERS







