

A black and white photograph of a field of poppies. In the foreground, a single red poppy is in full bloom, its petals vibrant against the monochrome background. The rest of the field is filled with other poppies, some in bloom and some as buds, all rendered in shades of gray. The background is softly blurred, creating a sense of depth.

MATCH PROGRAM

**PANTHERS JUNIORS
ANZAC ROUND 3**

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ROUND 18 MATCH REPORT



BIG BOPPERS SOUND THE ALARM, ROUND TWO WRAP, AND TALKING POINTS

Jason Hosken from the Daily Telegraph breaks down all the action from the weekend just gone in the Match Report for Round 18

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TEAM OF THE WEEK



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A. AIONO



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JOR. KALATI



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J. HANSON



J. WILLIAMS

BENCH

- 14. M. TAREKE (WCT)
- 15. A. PAPALII (STP)
- 16. T. MURPHY (HAW)
- 17. S. PATTERN (RIV)

COACH

S. STEVENS (GPK)

REFEREE

C. ROBINSON



DON FELTIS OPEN MEN



WINDSOR
WOLVES



GLENMORE PARK
BRUMBIES

Tori Willie	1	1	Campbell Byrd
Jamie Davison	2	2	Drae Bolsover
Riki Willie	3	3	Kailub Smith
Luke McDonald	4	4	Kenneth Koro
Reece Davison	5	5	Noah Smith
Cohen Benson	6	6	Hayden Riley
Connor Mason	7	7	Jarred Muller-Dobbe
Jai Wynbergen	8	8	Jake Lewis
Tyrone Shelley	9	9	Bailey Nouredine
Bowen Ryan	10	10	Mana Aonga
Eton Lindsay	11	11	Josh Fraser
Aidan Ryan	12	12	Dave Baumann
Brad Hoogenboom	13	13	Andrew Aiono
Dillon Kelly	14	14	Nikolas Forrest
Kain Howarth	15	15	Andrew Oughtred
Dilan Curtis	16	16	Scott Burns
Dallas Burns	17	17	Liam Pride

Troy Dargin | COACH

COACH | Shawn Stevens

ANZAC Day | 3:00pm

Windsor Stadium



DON FELTIS OPEN MEN



EMU
PLAINS



MINCHINBURY
JETS



Jake Bentley	1	1	Tanumaleu Tagaloasa
Lachlan Mason	2	2	
Geofery Duku	3	3	Temo Ledua RALULU
Blake McDermott	4	4	Not available
Daniel Warren	5	5	Savelio PAHULU
Isaac Thompson	22	6	Geoffrey GOODWIN
Cameron Williams	7	7	Justin POPE
Not available	8	19	Sevanaia Yalayalatoro
Jaiden Paepaerer	9	2	Jack AUSTIN
Beau Ferguson	18	15	Tuafale AIOMALAGA
Sam Cookson	13	12	Not available
Alex Myles	12	17	Tikiko RALULU
Thomas Romer	11	13	William LEHA
Asueru Tafau	14	9	Ethan ABBOTT
Shannon Mason	23	14	Warren BUTLER
Billy Hayes	16	23	Sopoia AIOMALAGA
Ryan Jervis	17	25	SalesiVaise

Darren Bell | COACH

COACH | Gavin Dunn

Sunday | 3:00pm

Leonay Oval - Field 2



DON FELTIS OPEN MEN



BROTHERS



ST MARYS
SAINTS

Nathan Jones	1	1	Xavior Savesi
Aaron Morris	2	2	Salosi Nawerecaqa
Branden Randall	3	3	Sione Lino
Zach Pracey	4	4	Josh Baravia
Isaac Bartolo	5	5	Ratu Semi Roqica
Kaylan Murray	6	6	Tyrone Glassie
Ty Ryan	7	7	Will James
Ben Williamson	8	8	Adam Petrus
James Hunter	9	9	Tawera Hohuu
Jackson Savage	10	10	Levi Mairi Smith
Nick Savage	11	11	Jamie Sim
Braiden Goodchild	12	12	Kye Eldridge
Jon Hanson	13	13	Jai Williams
Harry Reid	14	14	Levi Tago
Spike Teio	15	15	Preston Joseph
Modotinrowson Siu	16	16	Khans Ridgeway
Zach Nuttall	17	17	Immanuel Telea

Damian Lane | COACH

COACH | Tamawhiti Taoho

Sunday | 3:00pm

Parker Street Reserve



DON FELTIS OPEN MEN



ST CLAIR
COMETS



COLYTON
COLTS

Haratio Edwards	1	1	Jesse Poulsen
Robert Henderson	2	2	Keegan McGrann
Leha Fakatava	3	3	James Ross
George Logo	4	4	Dante Filipe-Otai
Liam Pearce	5	5	Shaun Va'alepu
Bronson Tuhaka Absolum	6	6	James Stonestreet
Malakai Houia	7	7	Bj Hudd
Jordan Kalati	8	8	Leslie Kini
Jesse Ramos	9	9	Kurtis Buter
Josh Kalati	10	10	Brayden Tyburski
Cameron Duroux	11	11	Kohen Wright
Kobe King	12	12	Joshua Ross
Tinirau Arona	13	13	Blake Hill
Bryson Demanuele	14	14	Jenson Tuaoi
Joseph Otuhiva	15	15	Vitele Petelo
David Haumono	16	16	Not available
Ethan Mokoia	17	17	

Ayden Pittman-Lyon | COACH

COACH | Scott Thompson

Sunday | 3:20pm

Peppertree Sporting Complex



FEATURED MATCHES



COMMENTARY BY MATTHEW AUSTIN AKA
DUCK MAN

JAN CAMERON TROPHY
OPEN MENS



VS



1:30pm | ANZAC Day
Windsor Stadium

COMMENTARY BY MICHAEL MINI RABS

DON FELTIS CUP
OPEN MENS



VS



3:00pm | ANZAC Day
Windsor Stadium

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PLAYER OF THE WEEK



DON FELTIS OPEN WOMEN



ST MARYS
SAINTS



GLENMORE PARK
BRUMBIES

Amber Johnstone	1	1	Shelby Muir
Cass Sie	2	2	Maggie Moloney
Amiria Te Iringa	3	3	Anabelle Mika
Eliza Stuart	4	4	Jasi Lee
Fasha Kalepo	5	5	Lanita Tanu
Litiana Tuifua	6	6	Tyanna Kerr
Chelsea Peyroux	7	7	Khe-Sahn White
Faith Nimmo	8	8	Chelsea Sullivan
Syria Tautalaga	9	9	Abbi Ivankovic
Temukisa Liki	10	10	Kristie Fabiano
Shemariah Tagaloamatua	11	11	Deb Smith
Norlynn Malia Tu'ifua	12	12	Cathrin Lisa
Kiana Loau	13	13	Ellie-May glover
Natalie Vaka	14	14	Cassandra Lowe
Jemimah Tagaloamatua	15	15	April Rowley
Savanah Tanu	16	16	Deanna Wright
Marina Leary	17	17	Kadiatu Bunduka

Vanessa Foliaki | COACH

COACH | Geoff Camilleri

Sunday | 12:20pm
Turnball Oval - Field 1



DON FELTIS OPEN WOMEN



DOONSIDE
ROOS



ST CLAIR
COMETS

Ekala Gordon	1	1	Isa Faimalie
Shameah Tonks	2	2	Hana Kapua
Bella Austin	3	3	Emma Parker
Krystal Bartley	4	4	Mia Vanoostwaard
Darlene Hunter	5	5	Oneesha MASI
Abbey Austin	6	6	Not available
Mystique Paul	7	7	Summer Jitoko
Tiarna Keen	8	8	Taya LAZARE
Maddison Eaton	9	9	Tiria ANDERSON
Liana Tupou	10	10	Alicia PIHEMA-STEWART
Lakin Lolesio (vc)	11	11	Aaliyah Tahu-Apiata
Chelsee Austin	12	12	Madison GAAL
Emily Austin (c)	13	13	Sarah WRIGHT
Tara Pittman	14	14	Zharia Hukui
Mila Manuelle	15	15	Not available
Lillian Smith	16		
Alilia Faasisila	17		

Justin Mcfadyen | COACH

COACH | Houia Richard

Sunday | 12:40pm

Peppertree Sporting Complex



DON FELTIS OPEN WOMEN



RIVERSTONE
RAZORBACKS



CAMBRIDGE
PARK

Erin Graham	1	1	Bree Stone
Jackie Kennedy	2	2	Elsie Hita
Simone Brown	3	3	Ma'ata Alai Lokeni
Brianna-Lee Margetts	4	4	Teisha Cruzado
Theresa McKellar	5	5	Mareika Hooymans
Jaylah Sonter	6	6	Samurai Pati Ah-Cheung
Keely Stevens	7	7	Taytana Pati Ah-Cheung
Jessica Lee	8	8	Maraea Toia
Isla Mirfin	9	9	Amber Hain
Celeste Muranty	10	10	Moana Folau
Cather Sawer	11	11	Kahliah Brown (c)
Georgia Dunbar-	12	12	Memphis-Cass Pati Ah-Cheung
MortimerKaneisi Tausala	13	13	Kadeesha King
Anita Faafo	14	14	Siannah Grgich
Drucilla Walker	15	15	Kelsi Kellaway
Rhianna Macey	16	16	Grace Makalio-Harris
Lauren Drady	17	17	Louisa Rae
	18	18	Kaleioni Soakai

Stewart Graham | COACH

COACH | Thomas Ifopo

Sunday | 1:50pm
Basil Andrews Field



ALL TIME REGISTRATIONS



Four factors seem to underpin why the Penrith Junior Rugby League District has witnessed a boon in participation numbers – over 9,000 which is a new record for the area.

Penrith Junior League General Manager Blake South said in 2023 there were 571 teams registered. That number has now grown to 626 for 2024.

Reasons for the jump in player numbers appear to lie in the continuing upward

trend of the female game; some structural changes to local clubs; the acceptance of the NRL's new Player Development Framework removing grand finals for all ages up to and including Under 12s – where the philosophy is compete at all times, not win at all costs – and the popularity of the Panthers NRL team.

South said there were fears among clubs that the changes to the NSW Government's criteria for Active Kids Vouchers in 2024 would see numbers drop.





ALL TIME REGISTRATIONS



Instead when the Penrith Juniors cracked the 9,000-mark for the first time it showed male registrations up 7.5% and female up 34%.

“It’s been a pretty good year for us, especially with the Active Kid vouchers not available we actually thought there’d be a decline,” South told nswrl.com.au

“Some of the structural changes we’ve put in place I think has helped the growth in certain areas.

“But overall we’re up in every age group, which is good to see.”

The Panthers NRL team winning three Premierships in a row had a flow-on effect for Rugby League.

“I definitely think it’s a contributing factor, but not a significantly large one,” South said.

“When Penrith is winning the community jumps on the back of that. In saying that I think some of the things we can provide for our kids attracts people to us.

“For example with our Under 6s and Under 7s, every kid gets a Panthers jersey and they play at Penrith stadium.

“This year we also moved our 16s competition back to Saturday instead of Sunday morning and we’ve seen massive growth in that age group that we haven’t seen for years,” South said.

“Our female growth I think has come by being able to offer them on-age competitions, so they no longer have to play a year above themselves.

“We’ve still got 10s and 12s but from 13s up they play their own age groups – 14s, 15s, 16s.

“The amount of registrations we’re now getting among these girls is unreal. So we obviously made the right call.”

South said the NRL’s Development Framework changes made nationwide were embraced by junior club officials.

“It’s been such a great effort from all our 23 clubs. They’ve all been really positive around all the changes with the NRL Play the Game rules.

“While they understood the rules were here to stay and couldn’t be changed, they jumped on board and got it done – there was no pushback.

“Our Under-10s competition has grown by 10 teams this year. That says something about the clubs being positive and everyone being in the right frame of mind on the ground, so to speak.”

South said he was proud of all the officials and volunteers at the 23 Penrith Junior clubs.

“Without their positive outlook and hard work, nothing happens. And we know we’ve got some very good people involved but having said that, even we were surprised at the figures.”



PLAYER OF THE YEAR AWARDS



AS VOTED ON BY THE COACHES

COACHES ASSIGN 3, 2 AND 1 POINTS TO THE OPPOSING TEAMS BEST PLAYERS

UNDER 16

	NAME	CLUB	PTS
1	L POWDERLY	MINCHINBURY JETS	6
2	J GARDEN	WINDSOR WOLVES	5
3	L CASHAL	WINDSOR WOLVES	5
4	S WHALAN	ST MARYS SAINTS	5
5	T MOEROA	MINCHINBURY JETS	4

UNDER 17

	NAME	CLUB	PTS
1	P. TAUASA	MINCHINBURY JETS	3
2	C JANSEN	WINDSOR WOLVES	3
3	J ZAMMIT	EMU PLAINS	3
4	J CARTER	BROTHERS	3
5	J SYDIR	ST MARYS SAINTS	3

UNDER 18 GIRLS DON FELTIS CUP

	NAME	CLUB	PTS
1	E MYERS	EMU PLAINS	3
2	S LEALIAVLOTO	EMU PLAINS	3
3	S BRUCE	BROTHERS	3
4	M MULLER	ST MARYS SAINTS	3
5	J TUILAGI	EMU PLAINS	3



PLAYER OF THE YEAR AWARDS



AS VOTED ON BY THE COACHES

COACHES ASSIGN 3, 2 AND 1 POINTS TO THE OPPOSING TEAMS BEST PLAYERS

UNDER 19 DON FELTIS CUP

	NAME	CLUB	PTS
1	B SPIERS	MINCHINBURY JETS	6
2	J. ATTARD	COLYTON COLTS	6
3	K RAVEN	BROTHERS	6
4	S. SHERLOCK	WINDSOR WOLVES	3
5	A MAHE	EMU PLAINS	3

UNDER 19 BARRY NICOL SHIELD

	NAME	CLUB	PTS
1	S RILEY	RIVERSTONE RAZORBACKS	3
2	Z PALMER	LOWER BLUE MOUNTAINS	3
3	K FRARY	RIVERSTONE RAZORBACKS	2
4	J KENNEDY	LOWER BLUE MOUNTAINS	2
5	R SHELTON	RIVERSTONE RAZORBACKS	1

OPEN WOMEN DON FELTIS CUP

	NAME	CLUB	PTS
1	A HAIN	CAMBRIDGE PARK	3
2	O MASI	ST CLAIR COMETS	3
3	A AUSTIN	DOONSIDE ROOS	3
4	C SULLIVAN	GLENMORE PARK BRUMBIES	3
5	A TANU PIATA	CAMBRIST CLAIR COMETS	3



PLAYER OF THE YEAR AWARDS



AS VOTED ON BY THE COACHES

COACHES ASSIGN 3, 2 AND 1 POINTS TO THE OPPOSING TEAMS BEST PLAYERS

OPEN MEN DON FELTIS CUP

	NAME	CLUB	PTS
1	T GLASSIE	ST MARYS SAINTS	6
2	J TUAOI	COLYTON COLTS	3
3	C WADE	MINCHINBURY JETS	3
4	L. MCDONALD	WINDSOR WOLVES	3
5	B HAYES	EMU PLAINS	3

OPEN MEN BARRY NICOL SHIELD

	NAME	CLUB	PTS
1	H PETERS	HAWKESBURY HAWKS	4
2	J OXLEY	LOWER BLUE MOUNTIANS	3
3	S FIFITA	DOONSIDE ROOS	3
4	H TAUSA	WESTERN CITY TIGERS	3
5	B SCIGLITANO	RIVERSTONE RAZORBACKS	3

OPEN MEN JAN CAMERON TROPHY

	NAME	CLUB	PTS
1	J. BYRNE	CAMBRIDGE PARK	3
2	R. WILLIAMS	COLYTON COLTS	3
3	S VAISE	MINCHINBURY JETS	3
4	J SALGADO	WINDSOR WOLVES	3
5	C JOHNSON	EMU PLAINS	3



WOMEN'S FOOTY IN 2024



Panthers Juniors has seen nearly 1,500 female registrations in 2024 thus far - a record breaking figure contributing to a rise of 33% YTD.

In a bid to continue the increase of female participation in rugby league, Panthers Juniors is set to be the first Junior League District in the world to host on age female competitions, beginning in 2024.

In 2024 Panthers Juniors female competitions will look as follows:

U10, U12, U13, U14, U15, U16, U18, & Open Womens - as well as many girls playing in mixed competitions.

Panthers Juniors General Manager Blake South is pleased to be making the move to grow the women's game.

"Moving to the on age format will be a great opportunity for the girls to promote equality across female rugby league," South said.

"With the growth over the last few years we believe now is the time to attract girls lost to other sporting codes and attract new participants."





BEHIND THE MIC



GET TO KNOW ME Mini Rabs.

How did you officially get your nickname 'Mini Rabs'?

When I was 9 years old, I was able to meet actual Rabs after winning a competition through the help of my mum. 2GB Breakfast Host Ben Fordham became familiar with my story and interviewed me on his then drive show. He nicknamed me Mini Rabs because of my obsession with footy and commentary and it has stuck with me ever since.

Why are you obsessed with rugby league?

Rugby League has always stood out to me because of the very high entertainment value it possesses. Ever since I began watching footy, seeing all the big hits, insane put downs and crazy tries has always enticed me to keep watching...

What brought you out to the Penrith Juniors competitions?

It is no secret that the Penrith Panthers club is essentially the benchmark in every aspect of rugby league currently. I have been keeping

a close eye on the exceptional standards and success of all the juniors in the last few years and I wanted to become a part of the system. The welcoming culture of Penrith, and surrounding areas has definitely enticed me to pursue an opportunity like this as well. When I was invited to call a few of the grand finals last year, the community was so appreciative and respecting of the job myself and my co commentator, Paddy Tobin, were doing





FROM THE REFEREES



WHY ARE THERE DIFFERENT COLOURED LINES ON THE FIELD?

Have you noticed in senior footy this year that at grounds the 40m line is marked with red or a different colour paint to the rest of the lines?

This is to assist the match officials identify a couple of things. When a team plays the ball on or beyond their own 40m line ruck and 10m infringements change from penalties to set restarts. Having the visual cue help the match officials in these situations and they also use this for general play kicks.

This is to identify when a team kicks in general play from within 40m of their own goal and the ball enters touch beyond their opponents 20m line (30m line in u18 girls & open women's) they will receive the ball back by way of a tap kick restart 20m in from touch no closer than 10m to the oppositions goal line.

This restart cannot be taken quick and must be only taken after the referee blows their whistle.



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