



Pambansang Ragbi Liga ng PILIPINAS

MATCH REPORT

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE **INAGURAL CITY V PROVINCE** **REPRESENTATIVE DOMESTIC RUGBY LEAGUE**

Introduction

The City vs Province representative match is a game of rugby league that puts Team City against Team Province (NSWRL City v Country concept). This event aims to bring together the finest local rugby league talent who participated in the PNRL domestic Competition, in a highly competitive and entertaining match.

The City vs Province match is more than just a rugby league event; it is a celebration of local talent, community spirit, and the growing popularity of rugby in the region. By focusing on player development, community involvement, and regional representation, this series aims to elevate the sport and create lasting memories for players and fans alike.

[Philsports Complex ULTRA, Pasig, Philippines] - [03/11/2024]

Manila rains damped the pitch in perfect preparation for the inaugural PNRL Province vs City on Sunday 3rd of November. Both teams arrived early, in good spirits and with a keen focus on comradery, commitment, and showing off how far they had taken rugby league in the Philippines.

Kick off was 3.15 pm and the clash of the big men around the center was immediate. Some huge runs were cut down with some solid tackles as both teams tested each other's defense and bravery.

Province found the gaps early and punished the City for not moving up early in defense. City came back hard, but some unforced errors meant gains were turned over and Province took every advantage.

It looked for a while that the scores were going all Province's way despite a solid try on the corner by City. The Province team continued to score with some superb breaks and quick hands. They further increased the margin with four conversions. A little bruised and battered City ended the half with one try and a confident Province team ready to pile on some more pain.

City started in similar fashion, with moments of brilliance followed by unforced errors and some unlucky breaks. Province was strong and used their center players to continue to pound the defense.



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Then as the skies cleared, City errors cleared too playing a much better second half, passes were completed, gaps opened up and the sun began to shine. The frustration was put aside, and the tries began to happen.

The score narrowed, and conversions would have helped, but Province held them out long enough to hold the title and a well-deserved victory.

Huge thanks to the sponsors, organizers, refs, and officials. An exciting step for the Philippine National Rugby League.

No.	Player Name	1st half	2nd half	Conversions
3	Ramirez, Jay		1	
7	Madrona, Jonel	1	1	1111
9	Rauras, Joe Marie	1	1	
13	Usman, John Denmer	1		

PROVINCE = 32

No.	Player Name	1st half	2nd half	Conversions
5	Herrera, James Cedric			1
6	Devantier, Otto			1
9	Feleo, Julian		1	
10	Velis, Miguel	1		
12	Villanueva, Zept Junas		1	
13	Olondriz, Mauel		1	
21	Nam, Jiho		1	

CITY = 24



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About the PNRL

Pambansang Ragbi Liga NG Pilipinas (PNRL) is the governing body of Rugby League Football in the Philippines. Its mission is to enable all Filipinos to have a healthy lifestyle through their participation in Rugby League Football and to be competitive amongst the Asian Rugby League playing nations. The PNRL focus is the promotion, development, and efficient administration of Rugby League in the Philippines. The PNRL is non-profit volunteer organization, who are a member of the Philippine Olympic Committee and the Philippine Sports Commission. The Philippines is a member of the Asia-Pacific Rugby League Confederation (APRLC) and an observer member of the International Rugby League (IRL).

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