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AFL HUNTER CENTRAL COAST

# SIR DOUG NICHOLLS ROUND



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# ON THE MARK

ROUND 5

SATURDAY 17TH MAY 2025





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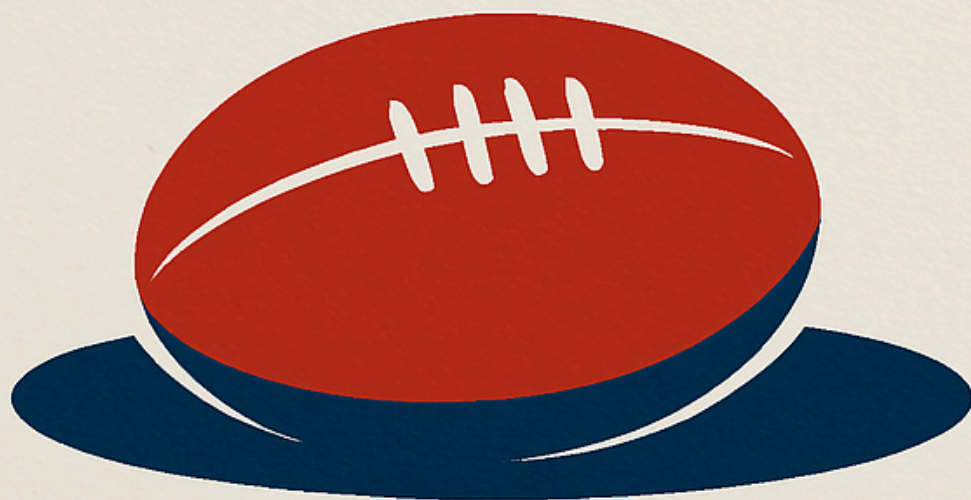


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# ON THE MARK



**BY OLIVER CROFT**

**"On the Mark" is a weekly AFLHCC article delivering sharp insights, who is soaring, who is sinking and key talking points from around the league. Each edition dives into the week that was – as well as previewing the next, and keeping fans across the Hunter Central Coast competition in the loop and entertained. This is a special printed edition for Sir Doug Nicholls Round, and can also be accessed on the AFLHCC Website:**

**<https://aflhuntercentralcoast.com.au/>**

**All written and analysed by Oliver Croft, this is another edition of your weekly must-read for the Black Diamond Men's and Women's Cup coverage.**



# Round 5: Sir Doug Nicholls Round on the AFLHCC

BY OLIVER CROFT

A hush falls over the ground. Smoke drifts through the air. Players and umpires line up on the ground, their Indigenous guernseys hanging heavy on their shoulders, each design a tribute to the land, the people, and the stories that have shaped them. This is no ordinary round. This is the AFLHCC Indigenous Round: where football meets culture, spirit meets skill, and every kick, tackle, and roar from the crowd writes a new chapter under much older tale.

This weekend is Round 5 for the Men's and Women's Cup teams, and the competition is loud with the anticipation the round brings. A gripping round awaits us with teams ready to show off their unique Indigenous guernseys, a week after the AFLHCC's Representative weekend came to a close. The announcement of the new Men's Cup team promises exciting prospects for the future, with fresh talent and a renewed focus on the premiership window for the rest of the season as the bye round is eliminated. It's been a week of highs and lows, but the journey is far from over, and you can read about it all, right here, right now, in this special edition of On the Mark for Indigenous Round, exclusive to the AFL Hunter Central Coast.

## Representative Carnival

Last Saturday, all AFLHCC clubs enjoyed a well-earned weekend off as selected Men's and Women's players travelled to Blacktown International Sports Park for the annual Representative Carnival. In a much-anticipated double-header, AFL Hunter Central Coast faced off against AFL South Coast across both Men's and Women's fixtures.

Unfortunately, both sides fell short against strong South Coast outfits. The Women's team displayed class, flair, and determination, eager to reverse last year's heartbreaking one-point loss. While they didn't get the result, their effort and improvement were clear. The Men started with dominance, controlling the first half and putting South Coast under real pressure. But momentum shifted in the second half, and a late surge saw the South Coast overrun them in a dominating finish.

Congratulations to both South Coast sides, and we can't wait for next year, where the AFLHCC will be back, and stronger.

Results are on page 8 and 9.

## Men's Cup

In the Men's Cup, sirens sound. Because there's a tsunami coming in from Nelson Bay, and it's loaded with Marlins. As of Wednesday, May 7th, 2025, the AFL Hunter Central Coast has dropped a mid-season bombshell — the Nelson Bay Marlins have officially been elevated from the Men's Plate to the Men's Cup for the rest of the 2025 season.

After weeks of dominance in the reserves, the Nelson Bay Marlins are set to make their AFLHCC Men's Cup debut in a blockbuster Round 5 showdown. For those who've been watching closely, this move was only a matter of time. They haven't just won in the reserves... they've dominated their opponents. The Marlins have played three games in the Men's Plate this season, winning their first by 218 points, then by 146 points the week after, and in Round 3 they found themselves winners again by 200 points. A total margin of 564 points has been built off the Marlin's first 3 rounds.







Nelson Bay makes their first appearance against a team equally hungry for a win: Bateau Bay. In the birth of a new Bay vs Bay clash, the Marlins head to Bateau Bay, to play in their Men's Cup debut. With this addition, the bye round is eliminated. Nelson Bay has work to do, starting 8th on the table - a far cry from their dominant performances in the Men's Plate, where Newcastle City 2nds, Terrigal Avoca, Wyong Lakes, and Newcastle City 3rds round out the top four. Four Men's Cup games on a Saturday has fans excited for what's to come throughout the rest of the season.

Down on the Central Coast, an unseen powerhouse has a battle appointment with a promising Bulldogs outfit. The Terrigal Avoca Panthers have shown dominance this season, though both weather and the bye have repeatedly interrupted their momentum. Football fans were robbed of a blockbuster last weekend, when Terrigal Avoca and Newcastle City were set for a top-of-the-table clash at No. 1 Sportsground. However, rain forced the council to close the ground, and the game was called off. We have only seen Terrigal Avoca in two games in the last month. Each game has been entertaining to say the least, with their biggest win recording at 69 points. However, Warners Bay wait patiently and are 3<sup>rd</sup> on the table. Will this weekend bring an upset worthy of a ladder change up? 2.00pm Saturday is when it kicks off. It was Round 11, 2024, the last time these two met, and the Bulldogs have a score to settle.

In the Hunter, one team remains winless. The Maitland Saints have demonstrated a consistent and pleasing run of narrowing margins and perseverance. But this weekend, they face off with Newcastle City at home. Newcastle City have once again flexed their muscle as a true powerhouse of the competition. Maitland are a team brimming with confidence, but still desperately hunting for their first win of the season. From the opening bounce, Newcastle will look to assert control and practise what has worked so well that last weeks. Maitland will need to be the best version of the red and yellow storm they possess.

Finally, for the last match up of the Men's Cup: get ready for a battle in the skies. Cardiff and Killarney Vale is shaping up to be an absolute thriller. The last time these two sides met, it was a heart-stopper in Round 1, with Cardiff edging out the Bombers by just five points in a nail-biting finish. Since then, both teams have built momentum, adjusted tactics, and circled this match as one of the most anticipated fixtures of the season.

Cardiff come in with confidence, hungry to defend their home turf and prove their Round 1 win was no fluke. Killarney Vale come off just their only win of the season in Round 4, a 63 point masterclass. They're coming with a point to prove – determined, driven, and desperate to flip the script.

## Women's Cup

The Women's Cup is heating up with fierce competition, rising teams, and regular finals contenders.

The first game of the weekend is one the Singleton Rooster's have had in their sights for a while. After one bye and three losses, their fourth game of the season will take place at the home of the Rooster, Rose Point Oval. That's right, the Roosters are back on home turf for the first time in 2025. Their looking to beat the team that currently sits two rungs ahead on the ladder – Bateau Bay. Singleton were recently defeated by Warners Bay in a muddy affair in Round 4, but they still have a long season ahead, with plenty of wins left for the Roosters to peck up. But Bateau Bay are looking strong, and a need a win after a second loss that did nothing to even their one win ledger.



At the opposite end of the ladder, the recent addition to the winner's circle, the Warners Bay Bulldogs meet with the Panthers, whose season has also largely been impacted by the rain. Hylton Moore Oval will be a buzz of activity as the Bulldogs search for back-to-back wins, and Terrigal knock ever louder on the 2025 premiership door. The jungle is alive with 4 legged beasts, and it will be a dog fight worthy of viewing.

Finally, a Grand Final rematch rounds out Round 5. Another battle in the skies happens at Pasterfield, with the Hawks and the Bombers ready for battle. In Round 1, the Grand Final Rematch, Cardiff missed their shot at redemption, with Killarney Vale holding bragging rights over the maroon and yellow. The Hawks are ready though. Their only loss of the season has been at Adelaide Street Oval, against Killarney Vale. Expect the Hawks to swoop with purpose. This is more than a match — it's unfinished business.

Last time they met on the big stage, Killarney Vale were crowned champions... but only just. It was a brutal, brilliant grand final that went down to the wire and the kind of game that lives in the minds of both clubs. For Cardiff, it's lit a fire that's been burning all season too long, and their eager to take back the bragging rights.

As the siren sounds and boots hit the ground, Indigenous Round is more than just football — it's a celebration of culture, a tribute to the First Nations players and communities who've shaped our game, and a reminder of the stories that echo through every kick, mark, and goal.

## Round 5: Respect, Culture, and Connection on the AFL Hunter Central Coast.



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# RECORD

## Over the years



MAY 10

REPRESENTATIVE  
CARNIVAL

2025

WOMEN'S

# FINAL SCORE

23 — 44

3.5

6.8

HUNTER CENTRAL  
COAST

SOUTH COAST





MAY 10

REPRESENTATIVE  
CARNIVAL

2025

MEN'S

# FINAL SCORE

84 — 106

13.6

16.10

HUNTER CENTRAL  
COAST

SOUTH COAST





**NEW MEN'S CUP  
TEAM**

**NELSON BAY**



**Marlins**





# MEN'S CUP MARLINS

BY OLIVER CROFT



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**After weeks of absolute dominance in the reserves, the Nelson Bay Marlins have officially been called up to the big dance, set to make their AFLHCC Men's Cup debut in a blockbuster Round 5 showdown. For those who've been watching closely, this move was only a matter of time.**

**They haven't just won in the reserves... they've flogged teams. The Marlins have played 3 games in the Men's Plate, winning first by 218 points, then 146 the week after, and in Round 3 they found themselves winners again by 200 points. A total margin of 564 points has been built off the Marlin's first 3 rounds.**

**The promotion, confirmed mid-week by the AFLHCC, sends a loud message across the Hunter Central Coast competition: Nelson Bay is not here to make up the numbers – they're here to rattle the cage.**

**4 Men's Cup fixtures will now headline our Saturdays, and it does not get any more exciting than this. The Premiership window? Narrowed completely as 7 teams moves to 8, cancelling a weekly bye for all teams and leaving an open race for the Men's Cup.**

**It all kicks off at Passage Road Oval, Bateau Bay against the Bateau Bay Blues who sit 5<sup>th</sup> on the ladder.**

**Make no mistake, there are still questions: Will the Marlins handle the speed, the pressure, the heat of the Cup? Will the underdog story turn into a fairytale – or a cold reminder of the gap between tiers?**

**Nelson Bay's rise has already shaken up the system. Now, it could tear the ladder apart. Round 5. Men's Cup. Marlins unleashed. History starts now.**



# NCCUA's Indigenous Design Takes the Field

By Rachel Robinson



The NCCUA is pleased to be participating in the Sir Doug Nicholls Round and NAIDOC Week this year. Our umpires at all junior and senior matches across these two important weeks will be wearing a very special NCCUA Shirt designed by our very own David Parsons!

Sir Doug Nicholls Round provides an opportunity to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, culture and history and the invaluable contributions Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have made to AFL.

The following is a very special story behind Dave's magnificent artwork:

"This artwork depicts what I see what umpiring has done for me over the past 11 seasons as an umpire and the past 19 years while involved with football.

The artwork depicts three people which I see as a boundary umpire, a goal umpire and lastly a field umpire. Without these people we are unable to start the beautiful game of football. The depiction of the umpires show white lines on each of them, I see this as the history of umpiring with the old white uniforms as well as the growth that each umpire gets from every single game.

The line connecting all three umpires is the tracks of the serpent that created the hills and the rivers but also creates the fields that we play this beautiful sport on.

The lighter green lines in the background show the different land and country that we play football on every weekend. It depicts the hills and valleys that we travel through and over to watch the bounce at the start of the game.

The three gum leaves represent the change of season and how different the countries are in the Hunter Central Coast AFL."

Keep an eye out for this great shirt across these rounds - if you haven't already purchased your indigenous shirt, it can be purchased directly from S-Trend. Alternatively, your NCCUA Membership offers a discount on this shirt!

Thanks again to David Parsons for designing our Indigenous shirts!



# NCCUA's Indigenous Design Takes the Field



NCCUA'S INDIGENOUS SHIRT MAKES A  
RETURN FOR SIR DOUG NICHOLLS ROUND  
2025



# ON THE MARK



## SIR DOUG NICHOLLS ROUND ANALYSIS

### ROUND 5 MEN'S AND WOMEN'S CUP

#### Men's Cup

SATURDAY 17<sup>th</sup> MAY

**2.00pm:** Terrigal vs Warners Bay

**2.00pm:** Maitland vs Newcastle

**3.00pm:** Cardiff vs Killarney Vale

**BYE - Bateau Bay**

#### Women's Cup

SATURDAY 17<sup>th</sup> MAY

**12.00pm:** Singleton vs Bateau Bay

**12.00pm:** Terrigal vs Warners Bay

**1.00pm:** Cardiff vs Killarney Vale

**BYE - Newcastle**

BY OLIVER CROFT



# SIR DOUG NICHOLLS ROUND

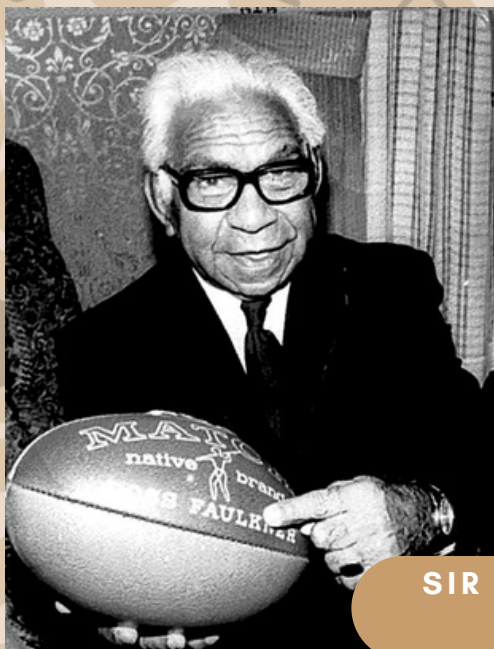


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## *A brief* HISTORY

Sir Doug Nicholls Round began in 2005 as "Indigenous Round" to celebrate the contributions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to Australian football. In 2016, it was renamed in honour of Sir Doug Nicholls, a trailblazing Yorta Yorta man who was not only a VFL player for Fitzroy, but also a pastor, activist, and the first Indigenous governor of an Australian state. The round is held annually and includes cultural ceremonies, Indigenous guernseys, and the famous "Dreamtime at the 'G" match. It has grown into a powerful symbol of respect, reconciliation, and pride across the AFL and local leagues like the AFLHCC.

The AFLHCC is proud to have an Indigenous Round honouring all Indigenous players, volunteers and those apart of the AFLHCC Competition. The AFLHCC is proud to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we play and recognise their continuing connection to land, water and community. We pay respect to Elders past, present and emerging.



AFL SIR DOUG NICHOLLS  
ROUND 2024



SIR DOUG NICHOLLS  
1906 - 1988



# MEN'S CUP

## MAITLAND VS NEWCASTLE CITY SATURDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

### MAITLAND SAINTS

2025

SNAP  
SHOT



WINS: 0 (1 BYE)

LOSSES: 3


LADDER: 7TH

HOME GROUND: MAX MCMAHON

BIGGEST WIN: ---

BIGGEST LOSS: 69 POINTS

### LADDER

	P	MR	PTS	%	W	L	D	BYE
 Terrigal Avoca Panthers Men's Cup	2	100.00	8	277.03	2	0	0	1
 Newcastle City Blues Men's Cup	3	100.00	12	203.51	3	0	0	0
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 Killarney Vale Bombers Men's Cup	3	33.33	4	104.94	1	2	0	1
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 Maitland Saints Men's Cup	3	0	0	57.14	0	3	0	1
 Nelson Bay Marlins Men's Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



# MEN'S CUP

## MAITLAND VS NEWCASTLE CITY

### SATURDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

## NEWCASTLE CITY

## 2025

## SNAP SHOT



**WINS: 3**

**LOSSES: 0 (1 DNP)**







**LADDER: 2ND**

**HOME GROUND: NO.1 SPORTSGROUND**

**BIGGEST WIN: 58 POINTS**

**BIGGEST LOSS:----POINTS**

### LADDER

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# MEN'S CUP

**TERRIGAL AVOCA VS WARNERS BAY**  
**SATURDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

**TERRIGAL AVOCA PANTHERS**

**2025**  
**SNAP**  
**SHOT**



**WINS: 2 (1 BYE, 1 DNP)**

**LOSSES: 0**

**LADDER: 1ST**

**HOME GROUND: HYLTON MOORE**

**BIGGEST WIN: 69 POINTS**

**BIGGEST LOSS: ---- POINTS**

## LADDER

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# MEN'S CUP

**TERRIGAL AVOCA VS WARNERS BAY**  
**SATURDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

**2025**

**SNAP**  
**SHOT**

**WARNERS BAY**



**WINS: 2**

**LOSSES: 1 (1 BYE)**









**LADDER: 3RD**

**HOME GROUND: FEIGHAN OVAL**

**BIGGEST WIN: 34 POINTS**

**BIGGEST LOSS: 10 POINTS**

## **LADDER**

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 Nelson Bay Marlins Men's Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



# MEN'S CUP

**CARDIFF VS KILLARNEY VALE**  
**SATURDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

**CARDIFF HAWKS**

**2025**  
**SNAP**  
**SHOT**



**WINS: 2**

**LOSSES: 2**









**LADDER: 4TH**

**HOME GROUND: PASTERFIELD**

**BIGGEST WIN: 30 POINTS**

**BIGGEST LOSS: 62 POINTS**

## **LADDER**

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 Terrigal Avoca Panthers Men's Cup	2	100.00	8	277.03	2	0	0	1
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 Maitland Saints Men's Cup	3	0	0	57.14	0	3	0	1
 Nelson Bay Marlin's Men's Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



# MEN'S CUP

**CARDIFF VS KILLARNEY VALE**  
**SATURDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

**KILLARNEY VALE**

**2025**

**SNAP**  
**SHOT**

**WINS: 1**

**LOSSES: 2 (1 BYE)**

**LADDER: 5TH**








**HOME GROUND: ADELAIDE STREET**

**BIGGEST WIN: 63 POINTS**

**BIGGEST LOSS: 50 POINTS**



## **LADDER**

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 Terrigal Avoca Panthers Men's Cup	2	100.00	8	277.03	2	0	0	1
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# MEN'S CUP

**NELSON BAY VS BATEAU BAY**  
**SATURDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

**2025**  
**SNAP**  
**SHOT**

**MEN'S PLATE**

**WINS: 3**

**LOSSES: 0 (1 BYE)**

**LADDER: 1ST**

**HOME GROUND: DICK BURWELL OVAL**

**BIGGEST WIN: 218 POINTS**

**BIGGEST LOSS: ----POINTS**



## **LADDER**

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 Terrigal Avoca Panthers Men's Cup	2	100.00	8	277.03	2	0	0	1
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# MEN'S CUP

**NELSON BAY VS BATEAU BAY**  
**SATURDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

**BATEAU BAY**

**2025**  
**SNAP**  
**SHOT**

**WINS: 1**

**LOSSES: 3**

**LADDER: 6TH**









**HOME GROUND: PASSAGE ROAD**

**BIGGEST WIN: 18 POINTS**

**BIGGEST LOSS: 63 POINTS**



## **LADDER**

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# WOMEN'S CUP

**SINGLETON VS BATEAU BAY**  
**SATURDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

**SINGLETON**

**2025**

**SNAP**  
**SHOT**

**WINS: 0 (1 BYE)**

**LOSSES: 3**

**LADDER: 7TH**








**HOME GROUND: ROSE POINT**

**BIGGEST WIN:----**

**BIGGEST LOSS: 166 POINTS**



## **LADDER**

	P	MR	PTS	%	W	L	D	BYE
 Newcastle City Blues Women's Cup	3	100.00	12	937.04	3	0	0	0
 Killarney Vale Bombers Women's Cup	4	75.00	12	442.68	3	1	0	0
 Cardiff Hawks Women's Cup	3	66.66	8	424.14	2	1	0	1
 Terrigal Avoca Panthers Women's Cup	2	50.00	4	100.00	1	1	0	1
 The Entrance Bateau Bay Blues Women's Cup	3	33.33	4	23.31	1	2	0	1
 Warners Bay Bulldogs Women's Cup	4	25.00	4	22.22	1	3	0	0
 Singleton Roosters Women's Cup	3	0	0	7.43	0	3	0	1



# WOMEN'S CUP

**SINGLETON VS BATEAU BAY**  
**SATURDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

**BATEAU BAY**

**2025**

**SNAP**  
**SHOT**

**WINS: 1**

**LOSSES: 2 (1 BYE)**

**LADDER: 5TH**








**HOME GROUND: PASSAGE ROAD**

**BIGGEST WIN: 34 POINTS**

**BIGGEST LOSS: 130 POINTS**



## **LADDER**

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 Singleton Roosters Women's Cup	3	0	0	7.43	0	3	0	1



# WOMEN'S CUP

**TERRIGAL AVOCA VS WARNERS BAY**  
**SATURDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

**TERRIGAL AVOCA PANTHERS**

**2025**  
**SNAP**  
**SHOT**



**WINS: 1 (1 BYE, 1 DNP)**

**LOSSES: 1**

**LADDER: 4TH**

**HOME GROUND: HYLTON MOORE**

**BIGGEST WIN: 87 POINTS**

**BIGGEST LOSS: 87 POINTS**

## **LADDER**

	P	MR	PTS	%	W	L	D	BYE
 Newcastle City Blues Women's Cup	3	100.00	12	937.04	3	0	0	0
 Killarney Vale Bombers Women's Cup	4	75.00	12	442.68	3	1	0	0
 Cardiff Hawks Women's Cup	3	66.66	8	424.14	2	1	0	1
 Terrigal Avoca Panthers Women's Cup	2	50.00	4	100.00	1	1	0	1
 The Entrance Bateau Bay Blues Women's Cup	3	33.33	4	23.31	1	2	0	1
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**2025**

**SNAP**  
**SHOT**

**WINS: 1**

**LOSSES: 3**

**LADDER: 6TH**








**HOME GROUND: FEIGHAN OVAL**

**BIGGEST WIN: 21 POINTS**

**BIGGEST LOSS: 128 POINTS**



## **LADDER**

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 Newcastle City Blues Women's Cup	3	100.00	12	937.04	3	0	0	0
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# WOMEN'S CUP

**CARDIFF VS KILLARNEY VALE**  
**SATURDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> MAY**

**CARDIFF HAWKS**

**2025**

**SNAP**  
**SHOT**

**WINS: 2**

**LOSSES: 1 (1 BYE)**

**LADDER: 3RD**








**HOME GROUND: PASTERFIELD**

**BIGGEST WIN: 128 POINTS**

**BIGGEST LOSS: 27 POINTS**



## **LADDER**

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 Newcastle City Blues Women's Cup	3	100.00	12	937.04	3	0	0	0
 Killarney Vale Bombers Women's Cup	4	75.00	12	442.68	3	1	0	0
 Cardiff Hawks Women's Cup	3	66.66	8	424.14	2	1	0	1
 Terrigal Avoca Panthers Women's Cup	2	50.00	4	100.00	1	1	0	1
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 Warners Bay Bulldogs Women's Cup	4	25.00	4	22.22	1	3	0	0
 Singleton Roosters Women's Cup	3	0	0	7.43	0	3	0	1



# WOMEN'S CUP

**CARDIFF VS KILLARNEY VALE**

**SATURDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

**KILLARNEY VALE**

**2025**  
**SNAP**  
**SHOT**



**WINS: 3**

**LOSSES: 1**

**LADDER: 2ND**

**HOME GROUND: ADELAIDE STREET**

**BIGGEST WIN: 166 POINTS**

**BIGGEST LOSS: 20 POINTS**

## **LADDER**

	P	MR	PTS	%	W	L	D	BYE
 Newcastle City Blues Women's Cup	3	100.00	12	937.04	3	0	0	0
 Killarney Vale Bombers Women's Cup	4	75.00	12	442.68	3	1	0	0
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# BYE

**The Newcastle City Women enjoy their  
alternating bye week.**



**WOMEN'S CUP:  
NEWCASTLE CITY**

**WINS: 3**

**LOSSES: 0 (1 DNP)**

**LADDER: 1ST**

**HOME GROUND: NO.1 SPORTSGROUND**

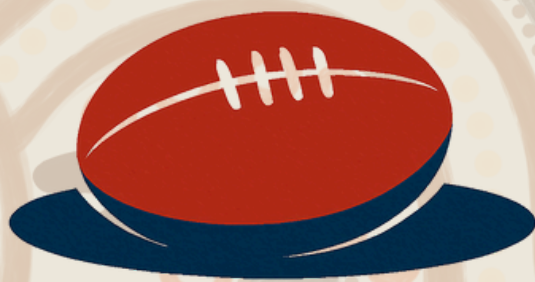
**BIGGEST WIN: 130 POINTS**

**BIGGEST LOSS: ---- POINTS**

***NO MORE MEN'S CUP BYE:  
WELCOME NELSON BAY MARLINS***



# **OLLIE'S**



# **TRIVIA**

***Have you been paying attention this season?***

1. What special round is it on the AFLHCC this weekend?
2. Who made the NCCUA Indigenous Shirt design?
3. What role did Sir Doug Nicholls have besides being a footballer?
4. What colours are in the Aboriginal flag?
5. What does "Deadly" mean in Aboriginal slang?
6. What shape is used in many Indigenous designs on guernseys?
7. Where are the Cardiff Hawks on the Men's Cup Ladder?
8. Where are the Bateau Bay Blues on the Women's Cup Ladder?
9. Which team has the colours of blue and white, with 2 wins and a loss in the Men's Cup?
10. Who has the bye in the Women's Cup this round?
11. How many rounds are there in a Women's Cup Season?
12. What was the game that could not be played at No. 1 Sportsground in Round 4 of the Men's Cup due to rain?

## **ANSWERS**

1. Sir Doug Nicholls Round 2. David Parsons 3. The first Indigenous governor of an Australian state. 4. Black, Red, Yellow and Black 5. Excellent or very good 6. Circles to represent meeting places 7. 4th 8. 5<sup>th</sup> 9. Men's Warners Bay Bulldogs 10. Newcastle City 11. 17 Rounds 12. City vs Terrigal



# SIR DOUG NICHOLLS ROUND





**17TH MAY**

**2025**







# MEN'S CUP MAITLAND VS NEWCASTLE



## MAITLAND

Q	GOALS	BEHINDS	TOTAL
1			
2			
3			
4			

## NEWCASTLE

Q	GOALS	BEHINDS	TOTAL
1			
2			
3			
4			



# ON THE MARK



Thank you for picking up *On the Mark* and taking home not just a book, but your piece of local football history. Your appreciation for the stories, stats, and love of the game are all captured within its pages. It's people like you who keep the spirit of football alive for future generations. We hope it inspires you to stay involved, cheer loud, and maybe even make your own mark on the game's next chapter.

Enjoy your record, and more importantly, enjoy the 2025 AFL Hunter Central Coast Season.

*Oliver Croft*  
AUTHOR OF *ON THE MARK*





# The

# AFL HUNTER CENTRAL COAST

# RECORD

## Over the years

**OLIVER CROFT** goes back through the history books to take a look at Round 5, 2022.

Round 5 in 2022 marked several milestones on the AFLHCC. Field umpire Darrel Luck featured on the front cover of the Record, celebrating his 350<sup>th</sup> Black Diamond Cup Game as a field umpire. There were 7 Men's Cup teams, the only difference being Singleton Men's Cup instead of Bateau Bay, and 8 Women's Cup teams. However, these were not the only levels of AFL in the Hunter Central Coast, with options also available to play in Men's and Women's Plate and a Shield Competition as well.

The Bar TV Game of the Round was the Maitland Saints playing the Terrigal Avoca Panthers in the Men's and Women's Cup. Round 5 in 2022 also celebrated Community Umpiring Round, with the Record stating: "The objective of Community Umpiring Week is to increase the awareness of umpiring as a choice and as an additional activity to playing. Umpiring is a great alternative to playing, as well as a way to "get fit, get paid, have fun", learn new skills, all while learning about the game."

The Record was 40 pages in length, featuring club line-ups and small reports made by various clubs. There was a predicted cold snap of weather for the weekend, with the Lake Macquarie Dockers writing: *"Winter is coming to this week's round of AFL with a bitter cold snap forecast to make it a very interesting change in conditions. With the girls starting at a brisk 9 am, it will certainly add a new challenge to their pre-game contest. "*





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# AFL HUNTER CENTRAL COAST

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## ROUND 5 FIXTURE 2022

Cardiff Cup Men's	Singleton Cup Men's	Pasterfield Sports Complex 1	14:45
Maitland Cup Men's	Terrigal Avoca Cup Men's	Max McMahon Oval 1	14:00
Killarney Vale Cup Men's	Warners Bay Cup Men's	Adelaide Street Oval 1	14:30
Newcastle City Cup Men's	Bye		
Cardiff Cup Women's	Singleton Cup Women's	Pasterfield Sports Complex 1	12:45
Maitland Cup Women's	Terrigal Avoca Cup Women's	Max McMahon Oval 1	12:00
Killarney Vale Cup Women's	Warners Bay Cup Women's	Adelaide Street Oval 1	12:40
Newcastle City Cup Women's	Wyong Lakes Cup Women's	Feighan Ovals 2	12:45
Killarney Vale Plate Men's	Lake Macquarie Plate Men's	Adelaide Street Oval 1	10:40
Wallsend West Newcastle Plate Men's	Terrigal Avoca Plate Men's	Bill Elliott Oval 1	14:00
Cardiff Plate Men's	The Entrance Bateau Bay Plate Men's	Pasterfield Sports Complex 1	9:00
Newcastle City Plate Men's	Wyong Lakes Plate Men's	Feighan Ovals 2	14:35
Nelson Bay Plate Men's	Bye		
Newcastle City Plate Women's	Gosford Plate Women's	Feighan Ovals 2	11:00
Killarney Vale Plate Women's	Lake Macquarie Plate Women's	Adelaide Street Oval 1	9:00
Wallsend West Newcastle Plate Women's	Terrigal Avoca Plate Women's	Bill Elliott Oval 1	12:00
Cardiff Plate Women's	The Entrance Bateau Bay Plate Women's	Pasterfield Sports Complex 1	10:45
Port Stephens Plate Women's	Bye		
Newcastle City Shield	Gosford Shield	Feighan Ovals 2	9:00
Muswellbrook Shield	The Entrance Bateau Bay Shield	Weeramen Fields 1	12:00
Killarney Vale Shield	Warners Bay Shield	Adelaide Street Oval 1	16:40
Maitland Shield	Bye		





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