

# SYDNEY SHIELD

2018

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Played 18 Games Won 5 Draw Lost 13 Points for 332 Points Against 447

Finished 9th

Belrose entered the competition to ensure that local players can strive to the highest level NSWRL have money to invest in the competition while the Junior League is limited

This year we were fortunate to have Ian McKenzie helping with the fundraising Major sponsors are at the front of this report .Without all the financial support we would Not have been able to enter a team in this competition

The team has a small group of helpers Mark Abrahams & Scott Collins as level 2 first aiders are Always available for game days and often at training to assist & advise players. Paul Gosling who is always around at training and games days remains a legend to all Senior players . This year David Marando & Adam Saunders were also often available to help Coach Tim Gee in his second year was great for the group. As a highly qualified Coach and a former Belrose Player he fits in and always had something new for the players.

The all-important game days at Lionel watts were always enjoyable especially thanks to the help in The Bar & Canteen. Thank you to all those who helped in those areas.

Most of our homes games were promoted by Triple HHH FN 100.1 and again thank you to Tony Dozen and his team

This year the Sydney Shield was a 11 team competition and Belrose completed the season After many ups and downs in 9th position.

Belrose won the first round against Blacktown and look like having a top season however injury and lack of key players had us on the back pedal most of the season

There was no lacking of commitment and we saw many entertaining games and have stacks of if only stories

Without doubt the unluckiest game of the year was the last game of the year against Against Wentworthville. With many key players missing from our line-up we lost a chance to Play in the finals in the final minutes. If Alex Zaraounas kicked a field goal with 2 minutes to we would have won Unfortunately it missed and Wenty replied on the fifth tackle and Their kick scrapped over.

One of the best games seen at Lionel Watts for some years but no luck

Yes there were many ups and downs but Belrose will be up to the challenge in 2019



Now for the player profiles

**ABRAHAMS Beau Centre Played 15 games 11 Tries** After a year off Beau came back and fitted into the team as he had never been away. Most consisted player has ability to score tries and a good defender

**ABRAHAMS Cody 2<sup>ND</sup> Row Played 15 Games 4 Tries** Cody had another good year despite carrying a few injuries. Has ability to shine in attack and defence a player needed for many years to come .

**BATE Christian Fullback Played 1 games 1Try** If only we could have got him to play more games

**BILSBOROUGH Nick Front Row Played 11 Games 2 tries.** First year with Belrose improving all the time until he got injured. Would be very welcome back next year

**BETTS Luke Utility Played 4 Games.** 300 game Belrose got a few games late in the Season never let the team down

**BETTS Tom Utility Forward Played 1 game** another great clubman with limited opportunities

**BUTTROSE Charles Wing Centre Played 6 Games** Charles has exciting speed which was need in this team but injuries and other commitments saw him play only a few games

**CARTER Taine Utility Forward Played 1 Game** Top under 20 player got his chance in the last game of the season

**CHRISTENSEN Liam Utility Played 10 games 1 try.** Liam started late and came from Helensburgh a young player who work hard . Will continue to improve.

**DRODROLAGI Jowasa Played 10 Games 4 Tries 1 Goal** Jo came from Burwood and was always one of our best either on the wing or in the forwards

**FERRIS Marcel Utility Played 10 Games** Marcel always puts in a top game Can play in a number of positions Great defender

**FERRIS Nick Played 17 Games 1 Try 3 Goals** Nicks first full season with Belrose took a very professional approach to his game. Always worked hard solid defender and has a big kick. This years' experience should make him a must for 2019

**FOGARTY Aaron Wing 1 Game 1 Try.** Under 20 player who played in the first trial in March Played in the last game of the season and scored a try Has a big future

**GOODWIN Richie Full back Played 12 Games 2 Tries.** Richie played fullback this year and was the team Captain. He was out with injury at a critical time. Always needed and admired by the Local Kambora School kids where he is teaching. Hope he has another year in him.

**HALSTEAD Andrew Prop Played 11 Games 1 Try** Andrew came back this year after missing last year through injury Coach Gee quickly moved him from centres to Prop and he did his job for the team well

**KASSIS Isaac Centre Played 12 Games 3 Try** Isaac has ability to move the ball and find gaps but this year he looked to play in the forwards where he had a few games. There will always be a place for Kassis

**LAWLER Damian Prop 15 Games** Started the season slowly and had limited preparation As the season went on his energy and direction became the teams greatest asset. Maybe a senior player but knows how to mix and handle all types of players.

**LAYTON Andrew Utility Played 12 Games 1 Tries 12Goals** Andy figured high in the players player points It was a pity he missed the last 6 Games a must needed player

**MAINO Keira Wing 5 Games 4 tries** Keira was called up from under 20 and looked the goods Unfortunately he suffered a season ending injury Will be one to watch next year.

**MARTIN Daniel Utility Played 10 Games 2 Tries** Dlad is another player who missed the back end of the season through injury. Was making great progress would have figure in the team's best if he had played more games.

**MORRISON Jake Prop Played 17 Games 2 Tries** Fridge is an important part of the team. Can make breaks back up and defend well. However one gets the feeling there is more to come

**NICHOLLS Josh 2<sup>ND</sup> Row Played 4 Games 4** Josh had a disappointing season carried few injuries never got started

**PATERSON Daniel 3 Games** Daniel had a season ending injury

**PATERSON Daniel Utility Played 1 Game** Got a late call up a good player has speed will get more chances in 2018

**SAUMANAO Tulsa Centre Played 6 Games 1 Try** Tulsa came to the team from A grade a class player who could have been a sensation if work commitments hadn't kept him out of many games.

**SEREMETA Ken Played 1 game** Kenny played a grade but was a great help when called up

**SLAVIN Marvin 22<sup>nd</sup> row Centre Played 12 Games 2 Tries** Marvin also carried a few injuries but always put in a top effort season He has a powerful defence and can make breaks .Would love to see him in 2019

**TWEEDIE Maverick Hooker Played 8 Games 1 Try** Mav is a very popular team player contracted to Concord . Always welcome when he gets a chance to play with Belrose

**ZAROUNAS Alex 5/8 Played 16 games 4 tries 1 Goal** Alex came back after a season off he has experience that this team needs

**ZAROUNAS Lawrence Utility back Played 7 games 1 Try 3 Goals** Lawry can late from under 20 at Ryde Has speed and ability One to watch

## **LINDSAY SPENCER PLAYERS PLAYER**

Marvin Slavin

## **BEST & FAIREST**

Damian Lawler

**BEST BACK**

Beau Abrahams

**BEST FORWARD**

Damian Lawler

**COACHES AWARD**

Andy Layton

**NSW Rugby League Sydney Shield Player of the Year**

Damian Lawler

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