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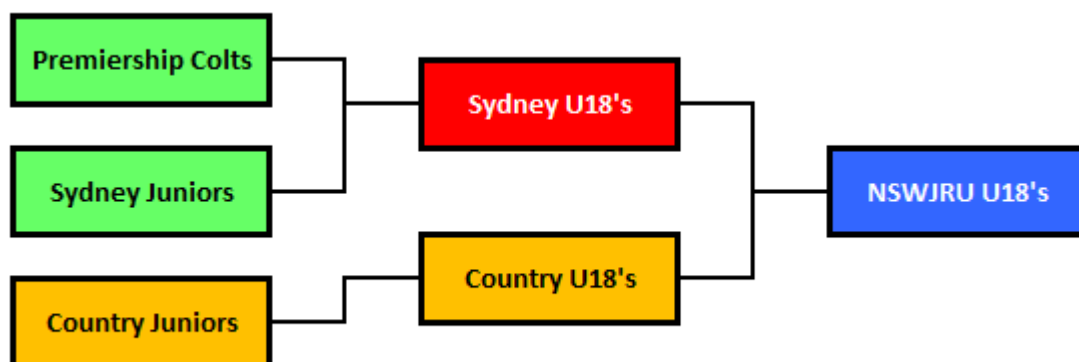


# Sydney U18 Rep Trials 2018

NSW Rugby Juniors and Sydney Junior Rugby Union would like to invite any club rugby players that are under 18 age-eligible (ie born in 2000 or 2001) to trial for the Sydney U18 Representative Rugby team. These trials are open to any registered club rugby players in Premiership colts, Suburban colts or SJRU Opens competitions.

We have done a lot of work in this area to have created a true and meaningful Representative pathway for our U18 club rugby players. Here is the 2018 pathway.

## 2018 Representative Pathway for Club Rugby players



## Sydney U18 Rep Program

We have organized the following fixtures

- Sydney U18 Rep Trials (22<sup>nd</sup> April, 4.00pm Blackman Oval, Lane Cove)
- Sydney U18 v NSW Country U18 (11<sup>th</sup> June, Concord Oval, Concord)
- Sydney U18 v Combined High Schools U18 (17<sup>th</sup> June, Warnervale, Central Coast)

**From here a NSWJRU I and NSWJRU II team will be selected for the next two games.**

*\*Note - there is somewhat of a second chance for selection - players that may have missed out on the Sydney U18s yet compete in the Opens at the NSWJRU State Championships are still eligible for selection into one of the NSWJRU teams. (Same applies for Country players that miss Country U18s).*

### **NSWJRU U18 Rep Program**

- **NSWJRU I v ACT U18s (24<sup>th</sup> June, ACT venue)**
- **NSWJRU II v ACT U17s (24<sup>th</sup> June, ACT venue)**
- **NSWJRU I U18 v GPS III Blue (28<sup>th</sup> June, Boronia Park Hunters Hill)**
- **NSWJRU II U18 v GPS III White (28<sup>th</sup> June, Boronia Park Hunters Hill)**

**From here a final NSWJRU I will be selected and it will compete in the Rugby Au U18 Division 2 Nationals on the Gold Coast. Schedule for these games are**

### **Div 2 Nationals**

- **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July - Game Day 1**
- **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July - Game Day 2**
- **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July - Game Day 3**

### **Gen Blue 2019**

**All these matches will be attended by talent identifying selectors from the NSW Waratahs U19 program for spots in their 2019 squad. We thank Tim Rapp and his team for their support.**

### **Eligibility**

**In 2018 the program is open to all U17 & U18 players whom are registered and playing in a 2018 SJRU Opens team, a 2018 Premiership or a 2018 Subbies Colts team.**

**For Sydney U18s - All players MUST trial to be considered for selection**

To remain eligible for the Rep program each player **MUST** have played at least **FOUR** club rounds (Premiership XV's or SJRU XV's) prior to the U18 Rep games.

### **Selection Trials**

These will be held on **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 4.00pm Blackman Oval, Lane Cove.** All Clubs are invited to enter players or even a whole U18 team to trial.

If you are interested in trialling then you must nominate – we need to prepare trial teams for the selectors to watch.

Please contact team manager Mark Rechner [markrechner67@gmail.com](mailto:markrechner67@gmail.com) or mobile **0420909205** and provide the following information.

- **Name**
- **Club**
- **Date of Birth**
- **Positions played**
- **Email contact**
- **Mobile phone number**
- **Include a Photo**

All trial matches will be viewed by independent selectors.

### **Coaching – Sydney U18s**

The Sydney U18s coaching team will be headed by Mark Houston, along with Brett Fawcett, Mark Rechner & Dr Richard Powell. With specialist sessions from World Cup coaches Scott Wisemantel and Kolose Feaunati.

### **Coaching – NSWJRU U18s**

The NSWJRU coaching positions will be decided by the City vs Country clash – with the winning coaching team taking on the NSWJRU I role.

## **Player Levies**

There will be a player levy for each team to cover the cost of gear, travel, accommodation etc. The final costing of these are yet to be determined.

We are very lucky to have Genesis Proprietary Trading as the main sponsor of NSWJRU and their generosity will go a long way to subsidize what some of these costs may be. Many thanks to the team at Genesis for their support.



We view this program as a massive opportunity for our aspirational club rugby players to further themselves and their rugby careers. Whilst filling the void that exists in the junior club pathway outside of the schools program.

I wish all players the best in their rugby for 2018

Sincerely

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