

Wyong Roos Season 2024

In 2024 the Wyong Roos will be entering the season with great optimism and enthusiasm for the year ahead. This is founded on our being laser-focused on achieving greater outcomes for the Roos at all levels, and the implementation of some great initiatives.

This season, we will be fielding 50 Wyong Roos teams, this means we will be represented in the Rugby League Central Coast Senior and Junior Competitions, ranging from the Under 6's through to 1st Grade. In addition, The Roos will have 3 teams competing in the Newcastle Rugby League Competition in the Under 19's Men, Ladies Tackle and Denton Cup Men's Competitions.

Our Juniors began training in February with great registration numbers across all age groups. We're now on track to have more than 600 registered juniors for the 2024 season. This great result was significantly boosted by our own Wyong Leagues Group's Junior Subsidy Program initiative which has had a great impact on junior participation throughout the Coast. Roos Juniors' Coordinator, Belinda Hill said "I am very excited for the upcoming season with so many enthusiastic boys and girls playing the game they love."

Our Coaching Director, Troy Pezet says, "The 50-man Denton Cup squad has developed over a tough preseason which was designed to build our depth and align our Senior teams in preparation for the 2024 season."

The Senior Teams and Coaches for 2024 are an excellent mix of experience and passion supported by the Club's Director of Coaching, Troy Pezet.

We are very fortunate to have 6 former Wyong Roos 1st Grade Premiership Winners on our coaching staff. The coaching, medical and support staff will work together to provide access to the most up to date content across all areas of the game.

Coaching Staff 2024

Newcastle Competition

Denton Engineering Cup – Mitch Williams

Under 19's Men – Jason Cashin

Ladies Tackle – Ray Farag

Central Coast Competition

1st Grade – Dean Amos & Todd Lewis

Reserve Grade – Wayne Hancock

Open Age – Luke Blackhall

Ladies League Tag – Chris Vawdon

Football Committee 2024

Chairman – Joe Smith

Vice-Chairman – Dave Perry

Member – Gavin Wand

Member – Corey Garratley

Member – Troy Pezet

Importantly the Club has retained its core playing group from 2023 and added further depth, including some key signings below:



Bayden Searle - Spent time in the Newcastle Knights' system, including playing NRL 9's, an experienced half back who took the Macquarie Scorpions to the Denton Cup GF in 2022.

Jake O'Meley - A front rower & returning Wyong Junior who won an U19's competition with the Roos. Jake has played over 50 Denton Cup games and is a strong front rower.

Matt Meafua - Another strong forward signing for the club. Matt has spent time in the Penrith Panthers' system and has played for the strong St Mary's outfit.

Jack Stringer - A powerful middle with a huge work rate. Spent time with the Sydney Roosters' and Canterbury Bulldogs' lower grades.

Zac Montgomery - A strong edge back rower that has spent recent years in the Canterbury Bulldogs' system, most recently being a part of the top 30 squad.

In a major development in February 2024, the Board and Management unanimously supported the restructuring of our Rugby League Operations for 2024 and beyond.

Our Club is one of the largest Rugby League Clubs in New South Wales with continual growth over the years. We now have around 800 registered players throughout the club from the boys, girls, ladies, and men.

Our continual growth and diversity through operating in multiple competitions and the growth of the female game is why our club recognised the need for a Head of Rugby League to join the Management Team. We believe that this will allow our great club to continue to grow, proud of our past and confident of our future.

The Head of Rugby League position is currently being advertised on recruitment platforms. Our Board appointed Football Committee, along with Executive Manager – Property, Safety & Sport, Junior Rugby League Coordinator and Director of Coaching are all working together to ensure our club gets off to a strong start to 2024 whilst we search for the next person to take charge of our Rugby League Operations.

The lighting upgrade to our 2 Juniors' fields is well under way and expected to be completed before the Juniors kick off their 2024 season. The new dug outs have been installed on Morry Breen Oval and the drainage works for Morry Breen Oval were completed prior to Christmas, which allowed the field time to grow over, and it is now in pristine condition ready for the start of the season.

We continue to work through plans to upgrade both our home and away dressing sheds, including female facilities, ground announcers' box etc. The DA is expected to be submitted during the first half of the 2024 calendar year.

Wyong Group CEO Ben Coghlan says "Our board and management are committed to continually investing in our Rugby League program and our facilities. This is evident in everything we do, from the capital work projects on the grounds, to the high number of local Wyong juniors now playing seniors for the Wyong Roos, to the support we give our own juniors and the support we show other local Rugby League clubs to help ensure their futures are bright".

On Behalf of the Board of Directors, Management, Football Committee, Players, Coaches and Staff, we wish our valued members and our Wyong Roos supporters a very Happy Easter. We look forward to seeing you at the games during the 2024 Season.