

QUEENSLAND REDS

MATCH DAY

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SUPER RUGBY PACIFIC ROUND 7 | 7:35PM

SUPER W ROUND 3 | 4:35PM

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The best place to be this Good Friday is Suncorp Stadium with a feast of football on offer for fans.

The Queensland Reds battle the ACT Brumbies in a blockbuster Double Header with this great stadium the only facility open tonight serving food, drinks and quality rugby.

Our Super W side will be looking it to make it three-straight wins when they take on their capital counterparts at 5:05pm, before one of Super Rugby's greatest rivalries is set to be reignited as our men battle the Brumbies at 7:35pm.

I would like to welcome the Brumbies Super W and Super Rugby Pacific coaching staff and team management to Suncorp Stadium in what shapes as an exciting evening for all teams involved.

Queensland Reds head coach Simon Craig has made three changes to his starting XV for this evening's Round 3 Buildcorp Super W clash with the Brumbies.

New Zealand duo Diane Hiini and Carys Dallinger have been named to start in the halves after making their Super W and Queensland debuts last weekend Queensland's win over the Western Force.

Hiini, who hails from Christchurch, starred for Premiership side Matatu throughout their Super Rugby Aupiki season, while Dallinger was chief playmaker at flyhalf for the Hurricanes Poua.

2022 Selena Worsley Medal (Queensland Premier Rugby Women's Player of the Year) winner Alana Elisaia will earn her first start of the 2023, coming into the wing in place of Sam Curtis who will shift to the bench.

Brad Thorn meanwhile has made four changes to his starting XV as the Reds and Brumbies battle for the Rod Macqueen Cup.

Phransis Sula-Siaosi will earn his first Super Rugby start, with Angus Blyth returning to the run-on team after making his comeback from an ankle injury via the bench last week.

Flyhalf Lawson Creighton will feature in the number-10 jersey for the first time this season, while Filipo Daugunu is back on the wing after last week's loss to the Crusaders.

Jock Campbell starts in the fullback jersey as Isaac Henry and Josh Flook combine in the midfield – Flook fresh from his first Wallabies squad selection.

Co-captain Tate McDermott and

Creighton make for a new-look halves combination, with the Reds out to continue their hold on the Rod Macqueen Cup.

Harry Wilson, Fraser McReight and skipper Liam Wright continue their partnership in the backrow, while Blyth will partner Uru after the duo both re-signed with Queensland Rugby today.

Sula-Siaosi, Matt Faessler and Peni Ravai will start in the frontrow, with Ryan Smith, Zane Nonggorr and James O'Connor set to provide strike off the bench.

On behalf of the Queensland Rugby

Union, I hope you enjoy both of tonight's matches and I thank you for your support and attendance.

Go the Reds!

Roger Gould – QRU President



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3	THERESA SOLOAI
4	DENI ROSS
5	ANNABELLE CODEY
6	CAROLA KREIS
7	SHANNON PARRY (C)
8	HAIDEE HEAD
9	DIANNE HIINI*
10	CARYS DALLINGER*
11	IVANIA WONG
12	CECILIA SMITH
13	BRIANA DASCOMBE
14	ALANA ELISAIA
15	ELLIE DRAPER

RESERVES

16	CRISTO TOFA
17	MADI SCHUCK
18	ALAPETA NGAUAMO
19	TINA CAMPBELL
20	HANA LANE
21	SARAH LEWIS
22	RENAE NONA
23	SAM CURTIS

HEAD COACH

SIMON CRAIG



*DENOTES STARTING QUEENSLAND AND SUPER W DEBUT



TEAM LIST

STARTERS

1	IRIS VEREBALAVU
2	TANIA NADEN
3	AMY RULE
4	KATE HOLLAND
5	JESS GRANT
6	TABUA TUINAKAUVADRA
7	LYDIA KAVOA
8	GRACE KEMP
9	JAY HURIWAI
10	GABRIELLE PETERSEN
11	BIOLA DAWA
12	SARAH RIORDAN
13	SIOKAPESI PALU (C)
14	APRYLI GREEN
15	FAITALA MOLEKA

RESERVES

16	ERIKA MASLEN
17	SALLY FUESAINA
18	BRITTANY LE'AU'ANAE
19	ZALI WAIHAPE
20	ALYCE SOLAESE
21	GISELA VEA
22	ASHLEA BISHOP
23	AKIRA KELLY

HEAD COACH

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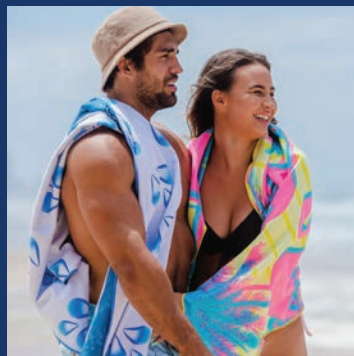


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A vibrant advertisement for TACO FUSION. The background is a collage of various Mexican dishes including burritos, tacos, pizza, and guacamole. In the center, the words 'TACO FUSION' are written in large, bold, stylized letters with a red-to-green gradient and a thick white outline. Above the text is the 'LA BANDERITA AUTHENTIC TORTILLAS' logo, which features a white bull on a red and green circular background. To the right of the text is a small graphic of a red television set with the 'LA BANDERITA' logo on its screen and the text '.TV' next to it. Below the television graphic is a QR code.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS AT CORE OF NEW FOUR-YEAR DEAL



WRITTEN BY JIM TUCKER

Tate McDermott's pledge of allegiance to the Queensland Reds for another four years is all about the worthy motivation of unfinished business.

The game-breaker at halfback is adamant he has much more to achieve with the Reds and Wallabies and he wants to be a big part of the future of both teams.

His new four-year deal, announced on Thursday, follows the Reds' recent re-signing of all-action flanker Fraser McReight, lock Angus Blyth, utility forward Seru Uru and flyhalf Tom Lynagh.

"There's no other place I really want to be. I could have looked at a couple of things overseas but I haven't achieved enough here yet," McDermott said.

"A lot of fellas share the same mindset. The boys are eager to pull on the jersey."

McDermott made the strong point that the momentum to make the Reds more successful was a shared vision.

"A lot of guys who came through with me are still here. We've had a few long-term deals signed this week and we may have a few more next week," he said.

"We've got plenty left to achieve. That's part of the motivation and you also see what's ahead with the new facility at Ballymore.

"I'm really grateful for the faith shown in me across my whole six years at the Reds. It's a massive privilege to stay another four in Queensland and Australia.

"There are a lot of good things happening here in Queensland and we just have to transfer that onto the field."

McDermott will play his 71st game for the Reds against the ACT Brumbies in Friday night's peak clash at Suncorp Stadium.

At just 24, he's on track to join

legends Peter Slattery and Will Genia as the only Queensland halfbacks in the "100 Cap Club."

Re-signing McDermott is vital on another level. The crowd-pleaser is a fan favourite at Suncorp Stadium where the Reds will be missing another pin-up when prop Taniela Tupou heads to the Melbourne Rebels next season.

McDermott's honest emotions are a big part of that. He thrills to victories with a smile but there is no one more obviously gutted after a loss.

"Queensland is very special to me. It's my home. When we're winning, of course, I'm going to be smiling. On the flipside, I don't like losing. I hate it," he said.

"For me, I just want to get better and I want this club to get better.

"We're not happy where we are at the moment. If I can be a small piece in driving us

forward and getting this group hungrier so be it."

Being left out of the 33-man Wallabies training squad, announced by coach Eddie Jones, has been met by the reaction you'd expect.

"I was pretty disappointed but, at the same time, it was expected. I would have been surprised to be in it. Excluding that Crusaders game, I've not played amazing footy this season," McDermott said.

"There's plenty of footy ahead. I had a conversation with Eddie around just having to sharpen up.

"I appreciate honesty like that.

"I know better than anyone I've got to improve if I want to be in France at the end of the year (for the World Cup).

"My strength has always been the running side but probably the sharpening has to come, as before, in the bread-and-butter

elements for a halfback.”

McDermott banging a kick out on the full against the Hurricanes in Townsville in Round One was a demerit in front of Jones in the stands. Equally, his heads-up grubber kick for the Jordan Petaia try against the Crusaders was perfect.

Finding a higher level of consistency is what all players chase.

Playing against the Brumbies has become the rivalry match of recent years with the sides each taking five wins from the 10 clashes since the beginning of 2020.

“It’s huge. We love playing the Brumbies, regardless if it is in Brisbane or the capital,” McDermott said.

“For us, we’ll front up to play a positive brand, a disciplined brand, of rugby. They’ve been the buzzwords this year but we need controlled aggression to

go with that which is what we haven’t had.

“We’ll show up for Queensland but when we say we are going to do something, we actually have to do it.

“Obviously, a couple of boys really showed up against the Crusaders. The challenge in this game is for it not to be a couple but all 23 men in maroon showing up and going to war.”



TEAM LIST

STARTERS

1	PENI RAVAI
2	MATT FAESSLER
3	PHRANSIS SULA-SIAOSI*
4	ANGUS BLYTH
5	SERU URU
6	LIAM WRIGHT (CC)
7	FRASER MCREIGHT
8	HARRY WILSON
9	TATE MCDERMOTT
10	LAWSON CREIGHTON
11	FILIPO DAUGUNU
12	ISAAC HENRY
13	JOSH FLOOK
14	JORDAN PETAIA
15	JOCK CAMPBELL

RESERVES

16	RICHIE ASIATA
17	DANE ZANDER
18	ZANE NONGGORR
19	RYAN SMITH
20	JAKE UPFIELD
21	KALANI THOMAS
22	JAMES O'CONNOR
23	TAJ ANNAN

HEAD COACH

BRAD THORN



*DENOTES QUEENSLAND AND SUPER RUGBY PACIFIC STARTING DEBUT



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2	LACHLAN LONERGAN
3	ALLAN ALAALATOA
4	NICK FROST
5	CADEYRN NEVILLE
6	ROB VALENTINI
7	RORY SCOTT
8	PETE SAMU
9	NIC WHITE
10	NOAH LOLESIO
11	COREY TOOLE
12	TAMATI TUA
13	LEN IKITAU
14	ANDY MUIRHEAD
15	TOM WRIGHT

RESERVES

16	BILLY POLLARD
17	BLAKE SCHOUPP
18	RHYS VAN NEK
19	DARCY SWAIN
20	LUKE REIMER
21	RYAN LONERGAN
22	JACK DEBRECZENI
23	BEN O'DONNELL

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