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### **MATCH DAY**

SUNDAY 7 SEPTEMBER, BRIGHTON HOMES ARENA



VS



### **BOND UNIVERSITY QAFLW SENIORS - 2.30PM**



**BOND UNIVERSITY OAFLW RESERVES - 12.00PM** 



### TRISHA SQUIRES HEAD OF AFL QUEENSLAND & INTERNATIONAL



On behalf of AFL Queensland, it is my great pleasure in welcoming everyone to our 2025 Bond University QAFLW Grand Final day at the home of the Brisbane Lions, Brighton Homes Arena.

We have an afternoon filled with exciting matches in our Seniors and Reserves competitions.

Congratulations to Southport, who are chasing back-to-back premierships this afternoon and are represented in both the Seniors and Reserves match.

And to Morningside, making it to the Grand Final in their inaugural year in the QAFLW is a huge achievement for all at the club.

I would also like to commend Bond University for reaching the Reserves Grand Final, after a strong showing in the senior women's competition.

Congratulations to all Presidents, coaches, umpires and volunteers involved in today's Grand Final Day. Without your passion and hard work, our game would not be possible.

Thank you again to Bond University for being the naming rights sponsor of the competition for a ninth straight year, we thank them for their enduring support. I would also like to thank Bradnam's Windows and Doors for their support of our umpiring team.

Thank you to the hardworking AFL Queensland staff who work tirelessly to ensure our competitions run smoothly and take great pride in making our Grand Final a memorable day for all involved.

### KEY MAIGHUPS



### **ZERAFA V LEVINE**

AVERAGE DISPOSALS

22.3

4.6

AVERAGE CLEARANCES

7/1

4.7

**AVERAGE TACKLES** 

5.5





### O'BRIEN V L.ROY

AVERAGE DISPOSALS

23.5

5.0

AVERAGE CLEARANCES 56

SEASON GOALS

29





### **HUNT V G.ROY**

28 INT MARKS SEASON

22

25

TACKLES SEASON **45** E

145

AVERAGE DISPOSALS

17743



BOND UNIVERSITY QAFLW STATS PROVIDED BY



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### **STATISTICS**

15

**H&A WIN/LOSS** 

15 -1 (1st)

14 - 2 (2nd)

HEAD TO HEAD SEASON 2025 2-0

0 - 2

**POINTS FOR** 

1704 (1st)

891 (2nd)

**POINTS AGAINST** 

214 (1st)

291 (2nd)

**QAFLW PREMIERSHIPS** 

1

0

**SEASON TACKLES** 

913 (7th)

1134 (2nd)

**SEASON CLEARANCES** 

571 (1st)

548 (2nd)

**SEASON DISPOSALS** 

5413 (1st)

4002 (4th)





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We are looking forward to getting out there today and putting our best foot forward. From very early on in the pre-season we set our sights on wanting to defend both the Seniors and Reserves premierships and today we have the opportunity to achieve that, which is exciting.

We have worked really hard and as each week has gone by we have grown our brand of football. I feel as if we are peaking at the right time of year too, which is pleasing.

Our whole season has been driven by our week to week process, and it is critical that it won't change this week given it is the most important game of the season.

Obviously, there is more pressure on the result today but if we are able to execute our game style, the result should take care of itself.

Our last two games have been against Morningside, so we feel as if we know how they like to play. They are very strong at the contest and put a lot of pressure on the ball carrier. We need to try and win the ball at the contest, then get the ball out into space, and that is how I believe we can be most damaging.

It's been a pleasure to coach this group this year; they are really well connected and work hard. I am happy with the season we have put together so far, but we still have one more step we want to climb



The group of people that have put together the program in the first year as a QAFLW club have done an outstanding job!

The club has been super supportive in giving the team the best chance to succeed. A special shout out to Wayne Siekman & Janet Martin for all the work behind the scenes as well as Georgia Black who has built and S&C program that isn't far off what I was apart of at the Brisbane Lions.

The players have all come together and really bought into what the Coaches, S&C & Physio team have put forward and have had a tremendous 'hard work beats talent' attitude throughout the entire squad of players.

It is a real credit to everyone involved in the program to have the Reserves play in a Preliminary Final and have the Seniors in the Grand Final in our first year as a club in the QAFLW Competition.

Southport have been the benchmark of the Competition for a few years now and we are looking forward to having a real crack at upsetting them today!





### GRAND FINAL PREVIEW

There is no doubt Southport have been the standout team for the year and are now on the verge of defending last year's title. The Sharks justified their favouritism for another premiership with a scintillating performance in the Qualifying Final a fortnight ago when they simply overpowered Morningside by 79 points.

The Panthers to their credit put that disappointment behind them to bounce back to win last week's Preliminary Final and rightly deserve a shot at the title.

In the meeting a fortnight ago, the Sharks grabbed the early ascendancy kicking three goals to one in the first term. The quarter scores were the same ratio in the second and third so by the final change Southport were already safe as they led by 43 points.

The minor premiers then put the icing on the cake in the final term to score 5.6 while keeping their opposition scoreless. Their forwards devoured just about everything that came near them with young star Dekota Baron booting four goals and Caitlin Miller roamed everywhere for three. Tall forward Hannah Davies pulled down some big marks while Tearnie Brown was another scoring option but the standout was Georja Davies in the ruck. She produced one of the better ruck displays seen in the women's competition with an outstanding performance including 30 hit outs, 26 disposals (18 contested) and eight clearances.

Southport have so many stars and Queensland state reps across their lines it is hard to not name them all, but skipper Rianna Schipp, Kierra Zerafa, Maddy Watt, Maighan Fogas and Sunny Lappin are all influential. On the forward line Miller, Maddy Baldwin and Olivia Meagher have kicked over 80 goals between them for the season. Meagher missed the Qualifying Final but is expected to be selected for Sunday.

The defence is led by 150-gamer Megan Hunt and Lily McDonald while Mikayla Nurse and Rhianna Ingram provide plenty of run out of defence. The only downside from two weeks ago was an ankle injury to star playmaker Steph O'Brien. It will be a race against time but every opportunity will be given for her to be fit by Sunday.

Southport's only hiccup occurred a few weeks ago when beaten on a wet and stormy night at Coorparoo to halt a winning sequence of 26. Whether that defeat close to finals was part of that often-used cliché 'the loss they had to have' remains to be seen.

Coach Matty Lappin quickly straightened his side up and the Sharks responded when they easily accounted for the Panthers in their only meeting during the regular season by 53 points. Lappin will have his Sharks trained to the minute for Sunday's finale.

It is Morningside's debut season in the BOND UNIVERSITY QAFLW and a huge achievement by coach Damien Richards, club staff and the players to reach Sunday's Grand Final. However, the club will not be satisfied with that feat and despite going in as underdogs will be aiming for a reversal of recent results against their rivals from the Gold Coast.

Morningside responded so well after the loss to Southport and no doubt inclusions of Teresa Dixon who dominated the hit outs (with Ella Gibson), key playmaker Gracie Roy was back in the side which allowed sister Laura more freedom picking up a game-high 30 disposals. Dixon and Gibson will need to work hard to curtail the height of the Sharks especially both Georja Davies and Hannah Davies (not related). Another tall Georgia Lwin was injured last week and await any selection news with her availability.

Midfielder Issy Levine returned to form as did Lucy Bellinger, Greta Liell-Cock and Courtney McDonnell back from injury would have benefited from the run. While the defence led by Lucy McCormick and Kylie Lawrence received a significant learning curve at Fankhauser Reserve, but the switch of Mackenzie Sleep to the backline has proved valuable. There is also the young emerging talent of forward Zoe Petrides, the run and dash of Annabel Peacock and defender Stella Scott.

Also, from the Qualifying Final a remarkable effort from Sienna Graham who battled hard to kick all of Morningside's three goals to repeat the effort of teammate Harlee Mcllwain who kicked their only two goals when these sides met in round 16. That is one aspect the Panthers coaching staff would have been working on is more scoring avenues up forward and better cohesion between the two arcs.

Another factor is Southport have only played one match in a month (since August 9) while Morningside should be hard and fit after playing a couple of successive matches.

The stage is set for a fitting finale to another BOND UNIVERSITY QAFLW season.



### BOND UNIVERSITY QAFLW SENIORS **SOUTHPORT V MORNINGSIDE**MATCH START - 2.30PM

COACH: MATT LAPPIN COACH: DAMIEN RICHARDS								DS	
#	NAME	GAMES	GOALS	BEST	#	NAME	GAMES	GOALS	BEST
1	MEGAN HUNT	17	9	4	3	GRETA LIELL-COCK (VC)	11	2	10
2	RIANNA SCHIPP (C)	14	9	4	5	LUCY MCCORMICK (C)	18	0	5
3	MADDY BALDWIN	17	24	3	6	COURTNEY MCDONNELL	13	10	1
4	HANNAH DAVIES	16	11	2	10	ISABELLA LEVINE	18	2	9
7	STEPHANIE O'BRIEN (VC)	16	14	12	15	SIENNA GRAHAM	11	5	1
10	TEARNIE BROWN	16	9	3	17	GRACIE ROY	16	7	13
11	LEIGH ALDER	16	3	0	23	KYLIE LAWRENCE	15	0	5
12	SUNNY LAPPIN	6	3	5	24	LAURA ROY	18	29	16
13	MIKAYLA NURSE	7	3	0	25	TERESA DIXON	12	0	2
14	MADELEINE WATT	12	5	8	28	ALLY BLYTON	17	2	4
15	DEKOTA BARON	4	13	0	30	MACKENZIE SLEEP	14	6	3
18	LILY MCDONALD	16	6	3	32	LUCY BELLINGER	17	22	9
19	MAIGHAN FOGAS	15	12	4	34	STELLA SCOTT	6	0	1
21	KIERRA ZERAFA	17	13	10	35	NEVA BELL	6	0	1
24	TYLA CRABTREE	16	11	4	39	ELLA GIBSON	5	1	1
27	GEORJA DAVIES	7	4	5	42	MADALYN HENNESSY	14	0	0
28	CAITLIN MILLER	16	29	2	44	ZOE PETRIDES	7	7	2
29	EMMA SUCKLING	15	4	1	46	HARLEE MCILWAIN	5	8	2
36	OLIVIA MEAGHER	14	31	9	53	TIFFANY O'KEEFE	18	0	0
44	MELITA WATTS	7	2	2	54	SIMONE ARTHUR	18	4	5
46	RHIANNA INGRAM	6	1	0	58	ANNABEL PEACOCK	10	7	6
EMERGENCIES			EMERGENCIES						
16	JO-ANNA BALTAIS				2	ROISIN CHU			
30	SIENNA BURNHAM				13	KAHLA MCKINLESS			
34	EBONY MILNE				38	CHARLOTTE HOWARD			
37	SCARLETT FEATHERSTONE				50	VICTORIA WINSTANLEY			

### **PREVIOUS ENCOUNTERS**

2025 - QUALIFYING FINAL - SOUTHPORT 14.16 - 100 DEF MORNINGSIDE 3.3 - 21

2025 - ROUND 16 - MORNINGSIDE 2.2 - 14 DEF BY SOUTHPORT 10.7 - 67



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### **TEAM OF THE YEAR SQUAD**

### **ASPLEY**

KAITLIN DAY
MONIQUE DUFTY
JESSE MCMILLAN
ANNA VAN DE WIEL

### **BOND UNIVERSITY**

KENDRA BLATTMAN
ELLA CALLEJA
JASMYN DAVIDSON
MAISY EVANS
SHANNON NOLAN
EVY REEVES
SKYE WHITE

### **COORPAROO**

CHELSEA CHESTERFIELD

AYLA FETAHAGIC

GRACE ROBERTS-WHITE

LUCY SCHNEIDER

RENEE TEYS

### **MAROOCHYDORE**

DANIELLE FENWICK
AXEL OSWALD
ABBEY TOGNAZZINI

### **MORETON BAY**

JESS DAVY
TAHLIA SMITH

### **MORNINGSIDE**

LUCY BELLINGER
ISABELLA LEVINE
GRACIE ROY
I AURA ROY

### **WILSTON GRANGE**

MACKENZIE FINDLAY SUMMER HAMILTON TSHINTA KENDALL KEYSHIA MATENGA

### SOUTHPORT

TYLA CRABTREE
MAIGHAN FOGAS
TAYLA GREGORY
MEGAN HUNT
OLIVIA MEAGHER
STEPH O'BRIEN
RIANNA SCHIPP
MADELEINE WATT
KIERRA ZERAFA

### **UNI OF QUEENSLAND**

COCO GARTON
FARRADAI HOPKINS
HARRIET KNIJFF
SAMANTHA SNOWDEN

It's awesome and exciting to be part of this years' Grand Final. Bond had it over us earlier in the year in a practice match and in Round 4, which we have learnt a lot from. The last two times we played them which was in Round 12 and in the Qualifying Final, we were able to win, so we will get a lot of confidence from that. Bond are really good at winning the ball at the contest.

So, for us to win we need to beat them at contested ball and then try to get the ball on the outside and play the style of play we want to play. The Bull Sharks are also very good defensively, so it will be important to make the most of our entries Inside 50. Most importantly though, we just need to focus on being united which we have done well all year and control what we can control.

We've had 45 players that have played in our team this year, so it's been a whole squad mentality and recognising that every single player that has played for us this year has helped put us in the position that we are in, and if we do win, they have all played all role in that success.

### SHANNAN TATE SOUTHPORT RESERVES HEAD COACH



As we head into Sunday's grand final, it's important to acknowledge the outstanding journey this group has taken throughout the season. Their achievements reflect the hard work, commitment, and growth each player has shown, both individually and as a team.

What stands out most is the way they consistently play for each other, with pride in the jumper and a genuine connection on and off the field.

Reaching a grand final is an accomplishment in itself, but the way this team has represented their club and supported one another has been just as impressive.

We are confident they will approach the contest with the same determination and spirit that has carried them this far, and no matter the result, their season is already a success to be celebrated.

### TARA DUTTON BOND UNIVERSITY RESERVES HEAD COACH





### BOND UNIVERSITY QAFLW RESERVES **SOUTHPORT V BOND UNIVERSITY**MATCH START - 12.00PM

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### **LAST 3 ENCOUNTERS**

2025 - SEMI FINAL - SOUTHPORT 10.7 - 67 DEF BOND UNIVERSITY 1.0 - 6

2025 - ROUND 12 - SOUTHPORT 8.9 - 57 DEF BOND UNIVERSITY 1.0 - 6

2025 - ROUND 4 - BOND UNIVERSITY 2.5 DEF SOUTHPORT 2.2 - 14





### **GRAND FINAL UMPIRES**

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FIELD	JACK PLEDGE	JACKSON WHITTLE	LUCAS COSMI	MITCH BLASHAK (E)
BOUNDARY	SEB SHARP	LUCAS RICHARDSON		

GOAL	JAMES TSAKISIRIS	ELIZABETH SMILEY	FINN MADDOCK (E)	
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FIELD	JASON MITCHELL	JESSICA CUNNING	
BOUNDARY	JONNO STEELE	JAKE DIXON	
GOAL	FINN MADDOCK	BRYCE FRANKLIN	





AFL QUEENSLAND ACKNOWLEDGES THE TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS OF THE LANDS ON WHICH WE PLAY TODAY, AND PAYS RESPECT TO THEIR ELDERS PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE.