



Cockatoos Prepare for Australian U20's

The GrainCorp NSW Country Cockatoos come into camp on Friday to prepare for their match against the Australian U20's at Chatswood on Saturday.

There preparation will be a lot shorter than that of the National Team, who have been in camp for several weeks which included two matches against Queensland based teams last week.

The Cockatoos come into the match with a lot of confidence and form on the board following their three tries to one 20 - 10 win over NSW Suburban last weekend at Terrigal.

Mark Minter comes into the squad to replace tighthead prop James Smith who is unavailable due to military commitments, so with only the one change the Cockatoos will field a settled team.

Cockatoos Coach Shannon Fraser is under no illusions of what his team will be up against, as he said "the team the U20's will field will be the team which will play in the opening match of the 2014 U20 World Cup in New Zealand".

He went on to say "the match would provide a great opportunity for the Country players to showcase themselves against an opposition they rarely get the opportunity to play".

Saturday's match will be played at Chatswood Oval, Chatswood and will kick off at 5.30pm following the conclusion of the Shute Shield match between Gordon and Warringah.

Cockatoos Squad v Australian U20's

Andrew Barrett (Wollongong Vikings), Scott Burgess (Dubbo Roos), Auvasa Falealli (Hamilton), Ben Greentree (Camden), Mitch Hardy (Shoalhaven), Gavin Holder (Camden), Andre Itula (Avondale), Ryan Jackson (Scone), Steve Lamont (Hamilton), Adam McCormack (Hastings Valley), Lachie McCutcheon (Narromine), Mark Minter (Camden), Peter Nau (Dubbo Roos), Donovan Nepia (Wollongong University), Filiasone Patua (Dubbo Roos), Chris Plunkett (Bathurst), Lee Russell (Camden), Dan Ryan (Parkes), Eli Sinoti (Avondale), Josh Stewart (Tamworth Pirates), Joe Taylor (Terrigal), Paul Tuala (Wollongong University) & Amoni Vea (Parkes).

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