

SHARK BITES WITH SHARSE

Infoware Footy Tipping for 2024 – BELATED early season chat Welcome to our old and new tipsters for 2024.

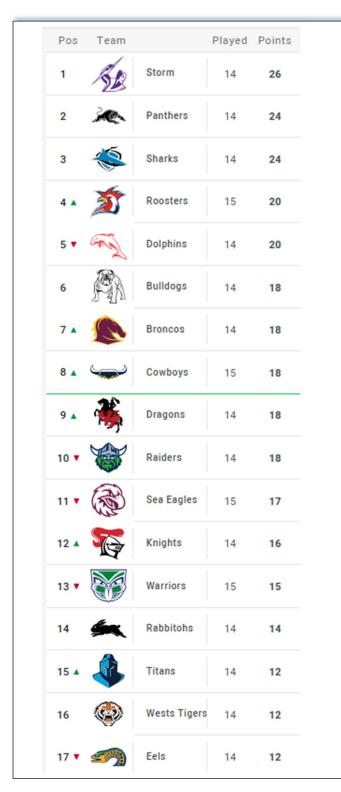
Tipster Standin		
As at Round No: $16 \lor$		
Pos Tipster	Points	
1 SKIBUM	77	
2 DENO77	76	
3 BARRANR	75	
4 DVANHO	74	
5 CAVALIER	73	
TIGER	73	

Any one's game at present with the top half dozen playing leap frog. SKIBUM consistently holding the lead for the last several rounds but only by a point. Most rounds circling SOO are hard to pick but week 13 was a beauty with many 0 scores. Personally, I achieved my PW (personal worst) score of 0/5. There's a lot of pressure up top (so I'm told), so keep the leap frogging going guys which ensures an exciting comp.

This a reminder to newbies that there is a \$10 weekly jackpot up for grabs if you are the highest-scoring tipster on your own (you do NOT have to get them all correct). The jackpot win is denoted by an '*' next to your points.

Round	Prize
5	\$50
7	\$20
9	\$20
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So our **Dolphins** are our most consistent club for the Queenslanders so far this year closely followed by the Broncos and Cowboys. According to our comp stats, we have 1 Dolphins fan so we'll move on to the Broncos. Is it my imagination or is *Reece Walsh* 'da man'. Front and back page of the Courier Mail, TV sports news, radio, there is not getting away from him. Thank god he's good looking cause if you're not into the footy at least there is this.

He is exciting to watch but does need to keep his testosterone under control – there's a fine line between brilliance and 'whoops'. I am sure Billy will be a great, big brother figure for him.

Is anyone other than me surprised that Broncos Captain Adam
Reynolds is a walking band-aid?
Aged 33 he has only played 6
games this season due to injuries.
Fantastic player and leader when on the field but one foot in the footy grave I fear.

We seem to have quite a few **Sea Eagles** supporters this year. I'm not allowed to cheer them on at home cause apparently, they are one of those teams that you have to hate (them and the Sharks) ., but I do like Cherry-Evans. It seems that his contract is locked in till at least the end of 2025 so let's hope that his body will hold out. A pretty crazy

situation with him being the captain of the Queenslanders and close team mate Trbojevic captain of the bench other side. Manly's losses have been basically close and some of their wins include the top sides so – GO MANLY'



2024 Significant rule change

In the **2024 NRL season**, there's a significant rule change related to **contested restarts**.

Contested Restarts: Previously, if a team kicked the ball out on the full over the touch line or failed to make the required 10 meters forward in an attempt to contest a restart from the goal-line, 20m line, or half-way line, referees would award a penalty kick. However, starting in 2024, play will now restart with a play-the-ball 10 meters out from the line of the kick and 10 meters in from touch, instead of a penalty kick. This change aims to incentivize more teams to attempt short kick-offs or drop-outs. Essentially, teams won't risk conceding significant territory while trying to regain possession from restarts of play.

It's a minor tweak, but it its purpose is to add to the unpredictability of the game and aligns with the goal of a faster, more free-flowing, and unpredictable NRL season.



Only things certain this season:

Interpretations of the rules change from 1 week to another. Last weekend; attacking player slips & the tackler slid up from collarbone. Yep this head high penalty was 4" off the ground! This is the record for the lowest head high tackle. When does common sense prevail?

Video refs ("the bunker") should get sponsorship from spec savers as they consistently (at least once per game) see things that no one else does. Maybe too much Denko rub gets in their eyes in the box.

Upsets happen regularly – it would be boring if game was too predictable. But the 2 teams at bottom of comp winning 66-6; and 48-24 in the same round? If this was racing even Racing Qld would consider a stewards enquiry. Just kidding, they wouldn't do a thing. Now with those wins now they have moved to well... equal last (but a lot more hope on their supporter faces). What is more strange is top of the table Storm and Panthers very seldom win or lose a game by more than 10 points which makes the Titans and Tigers wins even more incredible.

Cronulla sharks winning more games than normal. Last time they did this was 2016. Some of us can dream.....

NSW Blues panic merchants do what they do well – panic. They espose they will be loyal to their team just like the Maroons – until they hit a speed bump (or road crash). They drop 5 players for Round 1; round 2 rinse and repeat another 5 new players. Maroons have 2 enforced replacements – they stick to tried players rather than hunt for the 'next star' – Kaufusi (17games) and Capewell (10 SOO games). This is the key to QLD's ongoing success – loyalty breeds stability breeds winners. Their best decision was to drop the 2 Sharks from game 1 (Hynes & Mcinnes) so they cannot get injured in the SOO2 bashathon.



Souths completely loses their mojo half way through 2023 season (after leading) and gets no better in 2024, The magician Wayne Bennett says he will wave his wand (again) next season for the struggling Rabbitohs, and just like that they cannot wait for him to arrive and are unbeaten in 3 games since the "Benno news". Interpret this as "if you do not play well now you will not have a job under new management".

To show there is no end to the old fella's magic, he coached the winner of the last rounds battle of the ocean – Phins beating the Shark (fins). While not a fan, you have to congratulate Mr Bennett on being the only coach to coach 2 teams successfully at the same time in the one season!

Sedimentary Solutions Intro

FHHHHH and HAMMACHAN are new clients of Infoware Services and as such, first season virgins in the footie tipping. They have set up a new blended business of wine retail plus wine storage. I said I would give them a plug and introduce them for those wine drinkers amongst you.

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Unrelated Facts for the week.

Only in Qld - While parolees are still serving their time, they cannot be interviewed by the media. Australia's former best mayor who became the jailed ex-mayor of Ipswich spent much of Saturdays afternoon in the VIP section at Ipswich Cup meeting drinking with a senior member of police. Channel 9 wanted to interview him to find out what was discussed but was prohibited by law. At least the racecourse is still the place where anyone can rub shoulders regardless of their 'station in life'.





- Someone tried to do the numbers and work out how come there are so many cattle being killed annually from a relatively reduced by drought national herd size of 26 million. Apparently 9 million cattle forgot to register in the last national ABS survey a couple of years ago! True story. This is causing some international ripples on Australia's tracking of beef from paddock to the plate - when we do not know how many cattle are in the paddock.
- ❖ Paris has spent \$1.5 billion to clean up the water in Seine for the opening of the Olympic games. Swimming has been banned for 101 years so not sure what will happen to the health of a "person overboard." They tried to have a trial run on the weekend, but heavy rain meant it had to be aborted as Seine was flowing 5x normal. Not sure what they will do if it rains heavily at the opening of ceremony. At least Brisbane does not have that problem (yet) in planning for the Olympic games. The only action is the constant bickering about what should be done. I am sure our Brown Snake (the locals nickname for the Brisbane river) will get a gig somewhere.



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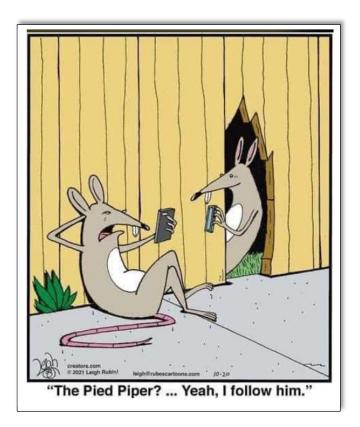


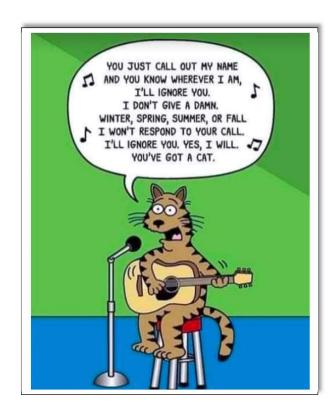




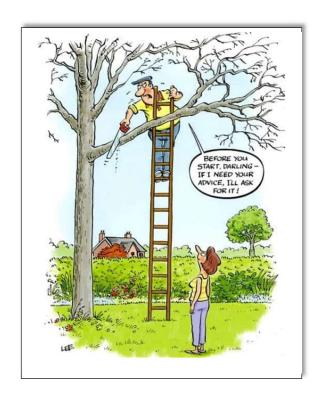














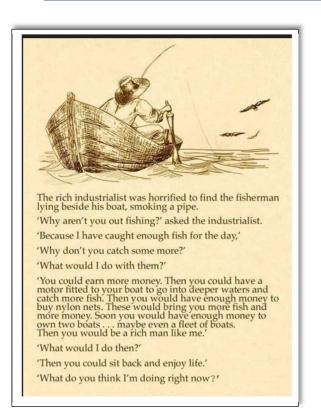


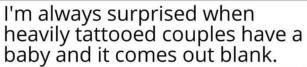




"Mr. Murphy, "I have reviewed this case very carefully" the divorce court judge said, "And I have decided to give your wife £775 a week."
"That's very fair your honor" the husband said, "And every now and then I will try to send her a few quid myself"

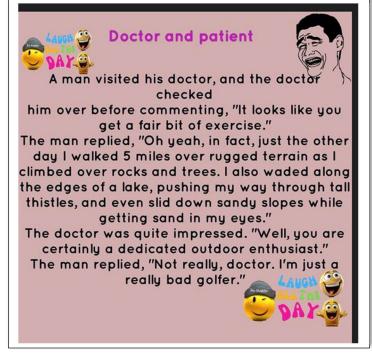














Her: "babe, can you take me to one of them places where they cook in front of you?"

Me: "say no more baby"





Best of tipping luck and health to everyone

Until next time

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