

# Media Release



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## **National Rugby League Returns to Coffs Harbour!**

After a successful inaugural NRL event last year, the C.ex Coffs International Stadium will host another Telstra Premiership Game in 2022.

With the Coffs Coast firmly on the radar of elite national sports teams and competitions of all types, local and visiting NRL fans are excited for the return of the Cronulla Sharks and Gold Coast Titans. After a brilliant night of football last year fans are keen for a repeat match on Saturday 18 June 2022.

In a joint partnership the NSW Government, the NRL, Coffs Harbour City Council and the Cronulla Sharks have come together to make this happen and further cement the Coffs Coast as the Sharks' 'home away from home'.

Coffs Harbour Mayor Councillor Paul Amos said: "We are thrilled yet again to host another Sharks home game at our brilliant C.ex Coffs International Stadium and further cement our position as the regional sporting capital of Australia.

"The Sharks were super keen to come back here to play the Titans after their successful clash in 2021, and that's a testament to the fantastic facilities that we provide here, and the staff that run them.

"We can't wait to deliver once again for our community and visitors."

Member for Coffs Harbour Gurmeh Singh said he is thrilled the NSW Government has provided \$100,000 to Coffs Harbour City Council for the delivery of this sporting extravaganza. "The Regional Events Acceleration Fund boosts local economies like ours by supporting the growth of existing events and attracting new major domestic and international ones," Mr Singh said. "I know footy fans across our city, and far beyond, are looking forward to the 2022 NRL Telstra Premiership fixture between Cronulla Sharks and Gold Coast Titans. I can't wait to see this exciting re-match bring the bumper crowds back to C.ex Coffs International Stadium."

Dino Mezzatesta Group CEO of Cronulla Sharks adds: "The game in 2021 was a wonderful experience for our players, members and fans and for the NSW North Coast community and we expect nothing different this time around.

"We were embraced by the local Council, community and rugby league supporters of the region last season which made the decision to return an easy one, with taking this game to Coffs giving us the opportunity to again showcase our club and the NRL to a regional audience.

"The Sharks are now invested in the Coffs coast area as it allows us to expand our brand, we are keen to grow what has become a solid supporter base and further develop our partnerships in community programs in the region. It is also very pleasing to see that all indications are there will be plenty of Sharks members and supporters from Sydney travelling up to enjoy the game as well as everything the NSW North coast has to offer."

**Tickets go on sale via Ticketek from 9am on 22 April.**

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