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ALL STARS

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★ WHEN STARS COLLIDE ★

THEY WILL BE WITHOUT THEIR FEARLESS LEADER, BUT WITH A TEAM OF TRULY WORLD CLASS TALENT AND A WHOLE NATION OF ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDERS IN THEIR CORNER, RUGBY LEAGUE'S INDIGENOUS ALL STARS ARE ALL SET TO DELIVER MORE THRILLS AND SPILLS AT THIS YEAR'S ALL STARS GAME.



JAMAL IDRIS

On debut

Jamal Idris was consigned to watching the All Stars match with the fans last year, but after another stand-out season playing for the Bulldogs in which the big fella also earned himself a sky blue jersey, donning the Indigenous colours for the first time next week will be an honour and experience on a whole other level.

"I was a bit upset because I missed selection in the Indigenous team last season," said Jamal, whose mother is Aboriginal and father a Nigerian. "You can't compare the two jumpers - one represents your heritage, the other your state - but they are both important to a lot of people."

Man down

Inaugural Captain and driving force behind the entire All Stars concept, Preston Campbell was understandably shattered upon ruling himself out of the contest due to a hamstring injury just a few weeks out from the match.

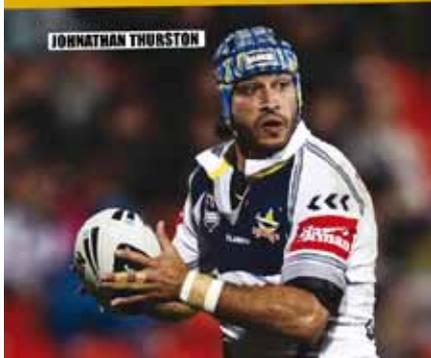
"Last year's Indigenous All Stars game was probably my first and last," conceded the inspirational utility player after the news broke. "This is not selling the Titans or the NRL short, but this is the game I look forward to the most this year. So it was pretty upsetting knowing I wouldn't be playing."

In a sign of just how significant this fixture is to the Titans star, Preston will still lead the team onto the field on the night of the match.



PRESTON CAMPBELL

JOHNATHAN THURSTON



A new leader

Stepping up to fill the breach left by the absence of Preston Campbell this year will be Johnathan Thurston, who'll assume the role of Indigenous All Stars Captain - yet another feather in the cap for a player many consider to be the best in the world.

"Being named captain is more than a dream come true," said Johnathan, "it's a huge honour to be a captain of any team but I'm so proud to have the honour of leading the Indigenous team. I can't wait."

THE TEAMS



INDIGENOUS
ALL STARS



NRL
ALL STARS

Nathan Merritt
Willie Tonga
Beau Champion
Jharal Yow Yeh
Scott Prince
Johnathan Thurston (c)
Tom Learoyd-Lahrs
Travis Waddell
George Rose
Jamal Idris
Greg Bird
Ben Barba
Jamie Soward
Carl Webb
Cory Paterson
Joel Thompson
Ryan James
Matt Bowen
Joel Moon
Anthony Mitchell

Josh Dugan
Akuila Uate
Michael Jennings
Jamie Lyon
Brett Morris
Darren Lockyer (c)
Benji Marshall
Ben Hannant
Cameron Smith
Matthew Scott
Nathan Hindmarsh
Liam Fulton
Paul Gallen
David Taylor
Ashley Harrison
Feleti Mateo
Shaun Kenny-Dowall
Michael Ennis
Petero Cironiceva
Kurt Gidley

WATCH THE GAME

When: Saturday, February 12, 7:30pm AEST
Where: Skilled Park Stadium, Gold Coast, QLD

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Rugby League's Indigenous All Stars will play against the NRL All Stars at Skilled Park Stadium on the Gold Coast in February.

Jonathan Thurston will take over from Preston Campbell as captain of the team this year. Bulldogs' star Jamal Idris will play with the Indigenous All Stars for the first time.





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ACTIVITY 1 - READING FOR MEANING

There are three levels of comprehension questions:

Level 1 – Literal. The answer is located in one sentence in the text.

Level 2 – Inferred. You need to make links between sentences and graphics (such as illustrations, maps and tables) and what you already know.

Level 3 – Applied. The answer is in your background knowledge, what you already know or feel.

1. Where is the All Stars game being held? (literal)

Shade one bubble.

2. Which player will make his debut with the Indigenous All stars this year? (Interpretive)

- Preston Campbell
- Jonathan Thurston
- Jamal Idris
- Nathan Merritt

3. Which of the following best describes Jonathan Thurston's attitude to being named captain of the team?

- confident
- aggressive
- proud and honoured
- bored



ACTIVITY 2 - LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS - SPELLING

The spelling mistakes in these sentences have been underlined.

Write the correct spelling for each word in the box.

1. Jamal Idris had a grate season last year.

2. Preston Campbell was the driveing force behind the team.

3. He had a hamstring injery.

Each sentence has one word that is incorrect.

Write the correct spelling of the word in the box.

1. It was probly my last game.

2. Preston will still leed the team onto the ground.

3. Jonathan Thurston is steping up.



ACTIVITY 3 - LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS - GRAMMAR

Which word correctly completes these sentences?

Shade one bubble.

1. Jonathan Thurston always makes _____ train hard.

- he
- him
- himself
- themselves

2. The team knew how _____ training they had to do each week.

- most
- more
- much
- many

3. Jonathan Thurston _____ wait to captain the team.

- cant
- can't



ACTIVITY 4 - LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS – PUNCTUATION

Shade one bubble.

1. A comma (,) has been left out of this sentence. Where should the missing comma go?

Jonathan Thurston felt proud honoured and excited to be captain of the All Stars.

2. Which sentence has the correct punctuation?

- Jamal Idris said, It's great to be in the team."
- Jamal Idris said. It's great to be in the team."
- Jamal Idris said. "It's great to be in the team."
- Jamal Idris said, "It's great to be in the team."

3. Which sentence uses the apostrophe (') correctly?

Shade one bubble.

- There are two All Stars team's.
- Last year's game was great.
- Both captain's played well.
- They took time out for injury's.



ACTIVITY 5 - CHOOSING YOUR ALL STARS TEAMS.

Do you agree with the selections made for the Indigenous All Stars and the NRL All Stars?

List the players you would have in each team.

 <p>INDIGENOUS ALL STARS</p>	 <p>NRL ALL STARS</p>