IRELAND

Saturday 16th November 2013
KO: 17:45
Aviva Stadium, Dublin

AUSTRALIA

Team Sheets

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IRELAND
IRB RANKING: 6
Test #: 629

15 Rob Kearney – Leinster

14 Tommy Bowe – Ulster
13 Brian O'Driscoll – Leinster
12 Luke Marshall – Ulster
11 Fergus McFadden – Leinster

10 Jonathan Sexton – Racing Metro 92
9 Eoin Reddan – Leinster

8 Jamie Heaslip – Leinster

6 Peter O'Mahony – Munster
5 Paul O'Connell (C) – Munster
4 Devin Toner – Leinster
7 Sean O'Brien – Leinster

3 Mike Ross – Leinster
2 Rory Best – Ulster
1 Cian Healy – Leinster

Replacements

16 Sean Cronin (Leinster)
17 Jack McGrath (Leinster)
18 Stephen Archer (Munster)
19 Mike McCarthy (Leinster)
20 Kevin McLaughlin (Leinster)
21 Conor Murray (Munster)
22 Ian Madigan (Leinster)
23 Robbie Henshaw (Connacht)

Key Stats

Caps Starting Lineup: 672
Avg Age Starting Lineup: 29
Oldest Player: Brian O'Driscoll (34)
Youngest Player: Robbie Henshaw (20)
Avg Weight Forwards: 113 kg

Officials

Referee:
Chris Pollock (New Zealand) - 13 Tests

Tests at Venue: 1 Tests
Ireland: 1 Tests
Australia: 3 Tests
Test Debut: 23/07/2005 - Niue Island v Tahiti

Assistant Referee 1:
Romain Poite (France)

Assistant Referee 2:
Stuart Berry (South Africa)

TV Match Official:
Geoff Warren (England)

1 James Slipper – Reds
2 Stephen Moore – Brumbies
3 Sekope Kepu – Waratahs

6 Scott Fardy – Brumbies
4 Rob Simmons – Reds
5 James Horwill – Reds
7 Michael Hooper – Waratahs

8 Ben Mowen (C) – Brumbies

9 Will Genia – Reds
10 Quade Cooper – Reds

11 Nick Cummins – Force
12 Matt Toomua – Brumbies
13 Tevita Kuridrani – Brumbies
14 Adam Ashley-Cooper – Waratahs

15 Israel Folau – Waratahs

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Replacements

16 Tatafu Polota-Nau (Waratahs)
17 Benn Robinson (Waratahs)
18 Paddy Ryan (Waratahs)
19 Sitaleki Timani (Waratahs)
20 Liam Gill (Reds)
21 Nic White (Brumbies)
22 Christian Lealiifano (Brumbies)
23 Joseph Tomane (Brumbies)

Key Stats

Caps Starting Lineup: 518
Avg Age Starting Lineup: 26
Oldest Player: Stephen Moore (30)
Youngest Player: Liam Gill (21)
Avg Weight Forwards: 111 kg

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KEY FACTS

- The largest margin of defeat between Ireland and Australia was in 1999 when Australia beat Ireland by 36 points in a 46-10 win.
- The Ireland front row of BEST, HEALY and ROSS make their 22nd start together in Test rugby, joining the Scotland trio of JACOBSEN, FORD and MURRAY as the fifth most capped front row combination of all time. The Australian front row of current coach EWEN MCKENZIE along with Phil Kearns and Tony Daly hold the all-time record for a front row combination with 36.
- The last four Tests between Ireland and the Wallabies have been tight affairs, as can be seen with an average of 5.5 points splitting the teams.
- The last time Ireland gained two consecutive victories over the Wallabies was in June 1979, a 9-3 victory in Sydney and a 27-12 win on Brisbane. The teams last met during Rugby World Cup 2011, with the Irish victorious with a 15-6 win that day.

TEAM NEWS

- ADAM ASHLEY-COOPER makes his 90th Test appearance for Australia on Saturday. He made his Test debut in a 22-19 loss to South Africa in 2005.
- PAUL O'CONNELL starts his 80th Test match in the second row. He made his Test debut in a 54-10 win over Wales in 2002.
- JONATHAN SEXTON of Racing Metro 92 is the only player in the Ireland 23 man squad playing club rugby outside Ireland.

ARE YOU EXPERIENCED?

- Ireland have a more experienced starting XV compared to Australia with a total of 672 caps. Australia have 518 caps in their starting XV. Ireland also field an older starting line up with an average age of 29 compared to Australia's average age of 26.
- BRIAN O'DRISCOLL will be the oldest player on the pitch at the age of 34. Ireland will also have the youngest player on the pitch in ROBBIE HENSHAW if he comes off the bench on Saturday at the age of 20.
- Ireland have two players in the starting XV with less than ten caps in DEVIN TONER and LUKE MARSHALL. Australia have three players in their starting XV with less than ten caps. These are SCOTT FARDY, MATT TOOMUA and TEVITA KURIDRANI.

TRY COUNT

- Ireland have scored 12 tries in their last five matches with five of them coming in their 40-9 win over Samoa last weekend.

HEAD TO HEAD

- This weekend's clash between Ireland and Australia is the 31st time these two sides have met in all competitions. Australia are on top in terms of victories with 20 wins compared to Ireland's nine with one 20-20 draw in 2009.
- Saturday's match will be the 16th time these two sides have met on Lansdowne Road and the first at the reconstructed Aviva Stadium. Australia lead Ireland with 10 victories at the venue compared to five Irish wins.
- Every time Ireland have been down at half-time to Australia at the Aviva Stadium, they've gone on to lose the game. This constitutes six of their defeats to the Wallabies whilst playing at Lansdowne Road.
- The first meeting between the two sides was in 1927 during an Australia tour of the UK, Ireland and France. Australia recorded a 5-3 victory over the hosts.
- The last time these two sides met was during Rugby World Cup 2011. Ireland beat Australia 15-6 in Auckland.
- Ireland have scored 412 points and 33 tries against Australia compared to the Wallabies who have scored 602 points and over double the amount of tries with 68.
- Ireland have an edge in terms of pack weight on Saturday coming in at an average of 113kg compared to Australia's average of 111kg.

FORM GUIDE

- Ireland have won three of their last five matches after beating Samoa 40-9 last weekend. Ireland's last loss was against Italy in the Six Nations in March.
- Australia have won only two of their last five matches, their last victory being their 50-20 defeat of Italy last weekend.

COACHES CORNER

- Ireland will be looking for a second win under new head coach JOE SCHMIDT after their 40-9 win against Samoa last weekend. Australia have a win percentage of 33% under head coach EWEN MCKENZIE after only managing to win three matches and lose six.

MAN IN THE MIDDLE

- CHRIS POLLOCK of New Zealand will take charge of the clash between Ireland and Australia. It will be the 14th Test match that he has officiated.

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Head to Head

Recent Results

Date	Team A	Result		Team B	Venue
17/09/2011	Australia	6	15	Ireland	Auckland
26/06/2010	Australia	22	15	Ireland	Brisbane
15/11/2009	Ireland	20	20	Australia	Dublin
14/06/2008	Australia	18	12	Ireland	Melbourne
19/11/2006	Ireland	21	6	Australia	Dublin

Summary

Ireland	30 Matches (1 Draw)	Australia
9	Won	20
412	Points	602
33	Tries	68
19	Conversions	44
67	Penalties	63
10	Drop Goals	6

Player Records

For Ireland against Australia		For Australia against Ireland
Brian O'Driscoll - 11	Appearances	9 - George Gregan
Ronan O'Gara - 74	Points	64 - Michael Lynagh
Brian O'Driscoll - 3	Tries	4 - 2 Players
Ronan O'Gara - 6	Conversions	8 - Michael Lynagh
Ronan O'Gara - 19	Penalties	12 - Michael Lynagh
Ollie Campbell - 3	Drop Goals	2 - Mark Ella

Player Records in a Match

For Ireland against Australia		For Australia against Ireland
Ollie Campbell on 03/06/1979 - 19	Points	20 - Elton Flatley on 07/06/2003
Colin Patterson on 03/06/1979 - 2	Tries	3 - Tiaan Strauss on 12/06/1999
On 3 Occasions - 2	Conversions	6 - Elton Flatley on 07/06/2003
Ronan O'Gara on 09/11/2002 - 6	Penalties	5 - On 2 Occasions
On 2 Occasions - 2	Drop Goals	2 - Mark Ella on 10/11/1984

Team Records in a Match

For Ireland against Australia		For Australia against Ireland
On 03/06/1979 - 27	Points	46 - On 12/06/1999
On 19/06/1999 - 3	Tries	6 - On 2 Occasions
On 4 Occasions - 2	Conversions	6 - On 07/06/2003
On 09/11/2002 - 6	Penalties	6 - On 19/06/1999
On 2 Occasions - 2	Drop Goals	3 - On 10/11/1984

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Head Coach: Joe Schmidt

Debut: 09/11/2013 v Samoa (W 40-9)
Winning Ratio: 100.00%
Average Tries per Match: 5.00

Ireland Record Under Joe Schmidt

1 Wins	0 Drawn	0 Lost
40 For	Points	9 Against
5 For	Tries	0 Against
3 For	Conversions	0 Against
3 For	Penalties	3 Against
0 For	Drop Goals	0 Against

Recent Matches

Date	Opponent	Result			Venue
09/11/2013	Samoa	W	40	9	Dublin
15/06/2013	Canada	W	40	14	Toronto
08/06/2013	USA	W	15	12	Houston
16/03/2013	Italy	L	15	22	Rome
09/03/2013	France	D	13	13	Dublin

Points For	123
Points Ag	70
Tries For	12
Tries Ag	3

Player Info For Ireland

Player	Pos	Age	Debut	Caps	Caps as Sub	Caps v Opponent	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points	Tries	Cons	Pens	DGs
Cian Healy	1	26	15/11/2009	40	2	3	17	3	20	10	2	0	0	0
Rory Best	2	31	12/11/2005	68	20	5	36	2	30	35	7	0	0	0
Mike Ross	3	33	23/05/2009	32	2	1	16	2	14	0	0	0	0	0
Devin Toner	4	27	13/11/2010	8	4	0	5	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
Paul O'Connell (C)	5	34	03/02/2002	86	7	7	51	2	33	30	6	0	0	0
Peter O'Mahony	6	24	25/02/2012	17	4	0	7	2	8	5	1	0	0	0
Sean O'Brien	7	26	21/11/2009	28	4	1	13	2	13	15	3	0	0	0
Jamie Heaslip	8	29	26/11/2006	58	3	3	28	3	27	40	8	0	0	0
Eoin Reddan	9	32	11/02/2006	51	30	2	21	2	28	10	2	0	0	0
Jonathan Sexton	10	28	21/11/2009	36	8	2	16	1	19	287	4	33	65	2
Fergus McFadden	11	27	05/02/2011	20	8	0	8	2	10	40	8	0	0	0
Luke Marshall	12	22	24/02/2013	3	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Brian O'Driscoll	13	34	12/06/1999	126	1	11	76	2	48	245	46	0	0	5
Tommy Bowe	14	29	20/11/2004	52	0	5	28	2	22	125	25	0	0	0
Rob Kearney	15	27	02/06/2007	47	3	4	20	3	24	37	7	1	0	0
			Total	672	96	44	342	29	301	879	119	34	65	7
Sean Cronin	16	27	21/11/2009	28	22	1	14	2	12	0	0	0	0	0
Jack McGrath	17	24	09/11/2013	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stephen Archer	18	25	16/03/2013	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Mike McCarthy	19	31	06/08/2011	13	4	0	6	1	6	0	0	0	0	0
Kevin McLaughlin	20	29	06/02/2010	6	2	0	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
Conor Murray	21	24	13/08/2011	20	3	1	7	2	11	5	1	0	0	0
Ian Madigan	22	24	09/03/2013	5	3	0	3	1	1	21	0	3	5	0
Robbie Henshaw	23	20	08/06/2013	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Records For Ireland

Caps	Tries	Points
128 - Ronan O'Gara	46 - Brian O'Driscoll	1083 - Ronan O'Gara
126 - Brian O'Driscoll	29 - Denis Hickie	560 - David Humphreys
105 - John Hayes	25 - Tommy Bowe	308 - Michael Kiernan

Player Records (In a Match)

Points:	32 - Ronan O'Gara v Samoa on 20/06/2003
Tries:	4 - 3 players
Conversions:	10 - 2 players
Penalties:	8 - Paul Burke v Italy on 04/01/1997
Drop Goals:	2 - 9 players

Team Records (In a Match)

Points:	83 v USA on 10/06/2000
Tries:	13 v USA on 10/06/2000
Conversions:	10 on 2 Occasions
Penalties:	8 v Italy on 04/01/1997
Drop Goals:	2 on 11 Occasions

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Head Coach: Ewen McKenzie

Debut: 17/08/2013 v New Zealand (L 29-47)
Winning Ratio: 33.33%
Average Tries per Match: 2.56

Australia Record Under Ewen McKenzie

3 Wins	0 Drawn	6 Lost
229 For	Points	251 Against
23 For	Tries	27 Against
18 For	Conversions	19 Against
25 For	Penalties	26 Against
1 For	Drop Goals	0 Against

Recent Matches

Date	Opponent	Result			Venue
09/11/2013	Italy	W	50	20	Turin
02/11/2013	England	L	13	20	London
19/10/2013	New Zealand	L	33	41	Dunedin
05/10/2013	Argentina	W	54	17	Rosario
28/09/2013	South Africa	L	8	28	Cape Town

Points For	158
Points Ag	126
Tries For	19
Tries Ag	14

Player Info For Australia

Player	Pos	Age	Debut	Caps	Caps as Sub	Caps v Opponent	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points	Tries	Cons	Pens	DGs
James Slipper	1	24	12/06/2010	46	28	2	24	1	21	0	0	0	0	0
Stephen Moore	2	30	11/06/2005	88	23	3	49	1	38	25	5	0	0	0
Sekope Kepu	3	27	08/11/2008	35	19	1	19	1	15	0	0	0	0	0
Rob Simmons	4	24	24/07/2010	34	18	1	17	0	17	0	0	0	0	0
James Horwill	5	28	09/06/2007	45	0	3	24	1	20	30	6	0	0	0
Scott Fardy	6	29	17/08/2013	7	1	0	2	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
Michael Hooper	7	22	05/06/2012	25	5	0	12	1	12	0	0	0	0	0
Ben Mowen (C)	8	28	22/06/2013	12	0	0	4	0	8	5	1	0	0	0
Will Genia	9	25	18/07/2009	52	6	2	23	1	28	40	8	0	0	0
Quade Cooper	10	25	08/11/2008	47	8	3	29	1	17	107	6	16	13	2
Nick Cummins	11	26	06/10/2012	10	0	0	6	1	3	20	4	0	0	0
Matt Toomua	12	23	17/08/2013	9	4	0	3	0	6	10	2	0	0	0
Tevita Kuridrani	13	22	17/08/2013	7	2	0	2	0	5	10	2	0	0	0
Adam Ashley-Cooper	14	29	20/08/2005	89	6	3	50	2	37	130	26	0	0	0
Israel Folau	15	24	22/06/2013	12	0	0	4	0	8	40	8	0	0	0
			Total	518	120	18	268	10	240	417	68	16	13	2
Tatafu Polota-Nau	16	28	12/11/2005	44	24	3	28	2	14	10	2	0	0	0
Benn Robinson	17	29	09/09/2006	64	11	3	34	2	28	15	3	0	0	0
Paddy Ryan	18	25	10/11/2012	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Sitaleki Timani	19	27	17/07/2011	16	4	0	8	1	7	0	0	0	0	0
Liam Gill	20	21	25/08/2012	14	14	0	6	1	7	0	0	0	0	0
Nic White	21	23	17/08/2013	8	6	0	3	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
Christian Lealiifano	22	26	22/06/2013	10	1	0	4	0	6	93	0	9	25	0
Joseph Tomane	23	23	05/06/2012	6	1	0	3	0	3	10	2	0	0	0

Records For Australia

Caps
- 139 - George Gregan
- 116 - Nathan Sharpe
- 111 - George Smith

Tries
- 64 - David Campese
- 40 - Chris Latham
- 30 - Drew Mitchell

Points
- 911 - Michael Lynagh
- 878 - Matt Burke
- 684 - Matt Giteau

Player Records (In a Match)

Points:	42 - Mat Rogers v Namibia on 25/10/2003
Tries:	5 - Chris Latham v Namibia on 25/10/2003
Conversions:	16 - Mat Rogers v Namibia on 25/10/2003
Penalties:	8 - Matt Burke v South Africa on 30/10/1999
Drop Goals:	3 - Phillip Hawthorne v England on 07/01/1967

Team Records (In a Match)

Points:	142 v Namibia on 25/10/2003
Tries:	22 v Namibia on 25/10/2003
Conversions:	16 v Namibia on 25/10/2003
Penalties:	8 v South Africa on 30/10/1999
Drop Goals:	3 on 3 Occasions