

# Cronulla Sharks of the Australian National Rugby League

## THE CHALLENGE

The Cronulla Sharks of the Australian National Rugby League (NRL) was looking to deliver live broadcasts to its passionate fans.



### OOYALA SUCCESS STORY

#### **SOLUTIONS**

- The Cronulla Sharks, which had plans in place for live video capture, signed up to become the first club in the NRL to deliver live broadcasts.
- The Cronulla Sharks worked with the NRL's digital rights partner Telstra and Ooyala to use the Ooyala Live platform.

Ooyala helped deliver a match live stream to over

30,000

rugby fans in 38 countries

#### **IMPACT**

- The Sharks' first match live stream reached over 30,000 fans.
- Mobile phones represented nearly 60% of devices used to access the event, and about 10% of fans watched for over 28 minutes.
- In total, the Sharks live stream reached viewers in 38 countries.
- With the success of this effort, the club began to present regular live match broadcasts, along with a live pre-game show before each home match and a weekly live fan-commentary show, SharkCast TV

"With Ooyala Live, we delivered continuous, premium-quality video of Sharks rugby league to both local and internationally dispersed fans... Further, 39 percent of the viewers who streamed the game were completely new to our site, proving we have a significant opportunity to reach and deliver live rugby league to untapped audiences that can't get to games or prefer to watch content online."

#### SCOTT MAXWORTHY

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