



# The Carbine Club of NSW

## Laurie Daley

**Born:** 1960

**Carbine Club Member since:** 2015

Laurie is an Australian professional rugby league football coach and a former player who played as a centre and five-eighth in the 1980s and 1990s.

He represented Australia on 26 occasions and has since been named as one of the nation's finest of the 20th century. Daley played for the Canberra Raiders during their most successful period in the 1990s.

From 2008-2012 he was the coach of the NSW Country Origin team.

In September 2007, Daley left his commentary position with Fox Sports and signed a contract with the Nine Network to co-present much of their rugby league coverage, from appearing on the weekly rugby league topic show *The Footy Show*, to commentating on Nine's weekend league coverage.

In 2012 Laurie was appointed the NSW State of Origin coach from 2013. Daley led the Blues to their first series win in 2014, finally breaking the QLD dynasty and delivering the Blues their first series win since 2005.

In 2014, Laurie became only the second man after Wayne Pearce to play, captain and coach a Blues side to a series win over Queensland.

In 2015, Laurie coached New South Wales to a game 3 decider against Queensland after a spirited comeback in Game 2

Since February 2018, Daley has co-hosted the *Big Sports Breakfast* on Sky Sports Radio in Sydney.

In March 2018, Daley returned to commentating with NRL Nation.

In 2018, he joined CBS Sports as co-host of *Sports Tonight* on Network 10.

In 2008, Laurie was named in the list of Australia's *100 Greatest Players* (1908–2007) which was commissioned by the NRL and ARL to celebrate the code's centenary year in Australia.

He was named at five-eight in the *Indigenous Team of the Century*.

In 2013, the local football ground in his home town of Junee was renamed Laurie Daley Oval.