

# Matthew Johns

## ***MC, Host & Former Rugby League Star***

Matthew Johns was a legendary Australian international and New South Wales State of Origin representative five-eighth. He is also a successful television and radio broadcaster, a podcast presenter, author, and actor.

Highly articulate, engaging and entertaining, Matthew Johns is in demand as a keynote speaker who is able to dissect the game of rugby league and tell some fascinating anecdotes along the way. Described as “the most brilliant mind in Rugby League,” with his quick-witted humour, Matthew is also in demand as an MC.



## ***More about Matthew Johns:***

Matthew Johns played most of his career football with the Newcastle Knights, representing the team from 1990-2001. He spent a year with the English Super League club Wigan, and finally retired after a year with the Cronulla Sharks due to a recurring shoulder injury.

The host of Fox Sports’ popular entertainment rugby league programs, *Sunday Night with Matty Johns* and the *Late Show with Matty Johns*, Matthew was a member of Sydney’s breakfast show, *The Grill Team* on Triple M for eight years.

Matthew is as comfortable in front of the cameras, as he is behind a microphone, on a stage, or putting pen to paper. He has written a weekly Friday rugby league column, for the Daily Telegraph and released two books - *Reg Reagan’s This Is My Life*, Pan Macmillan and *From The Sheds*, Harper Collins, a hilarious look behind the scenes of rugby league. As well creating the ever-inappropriate Reg Reagan, Matthew has created a string of other much loved characters that include Don Kirk, Trent the Flight Steward, and Mighty Mick Mathieson. In 2007 he made his major acting debut, starring in the Australian movie, *The Final Winter*, as coach Jack Cooper.

Matthew Johns is the host of Australia’s leading sports podcast, *The Matty Johns Podcast*, where he delves into one on one interviews with various sports stars as well as discussing current issues within the game of rugby league with his co-hosts.

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