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SATURDAY, 4th APRIL, 1959

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Next Week's Fixtures

MAITLAND v. KURRI KURRI
WARATAH MAYFIELD v. NORTHERN SUBURBS
WESTERN SUBURBS v. CENTRAL NEWCASTLE
CESSNOCK v. LAKES UNITED



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XIII, to give it its proper title, is a prominent surgeon from Treviso—Dr. Zava, and the Secretary is Mr. Virginio Calore of Padua (or Padova as it is sometimes written). Mr. Calore is currently listed as one of the two Vice-Presidents of the Italian Rugby Union! Needless to say he has severed his connections with that organisation.

The first objective of the new League—which is for Amateur players and not professional—is to gain recognition at Government level in order to qualify for the subsidies which other sports receive. Such recognition cannot be reasonably withheld if the game consolidates

and expands.

No one can tell what the future holds for us but if Italy does become a power in International Rugby League Football, then the English League will be able to/look back with some satisfaction knowing that it most certainly played its part in the further expansion of the game.

Australia has contributed £1000 towards establishing the code in Italy and will play there this year. AROUND THE CLUBS

Kurri Club officials are very pleased with the promising form of many of the young juniors available this season. Amongst these are Kerry Maybury a burly second rower, Alan Straker, Alan Dodd, Merv Leggett, John O'Keefe, Jim Spruce, "Ritchie" Madden, Kevin Johnson, Chas. Flynn, Bill Difford and John Black. All these players are products of the local Junior grades and are having their first season in grade football.

The officials of Waratah Club expect second row forward Aub Rowlands, because of last year's performance and good trial form for this year, to represent Newcastle. Keep up the good work Aub.

North have made a good gain in centre Ray Barry from Denman. This lad who is only 21 has already shown in the trials promise that should take him a long way in football.

Newcomers to South this year will include Albert Weekes, Ron Easton, Con Froude and Col Wright, all these boys showed good form in trials.



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AROUND THE CIURS

The Kurri Club's Social Club look like having another successful season this year. The Senior club sincerely thank the efforts of these hard working girls, who are now in their fourth year as a sub-committee of the Senior League. The newly elected treasurer, Del Chapple and secretary Kay Johnson, are handling the business affairs of this club in a very capable manner.

South supporters will be glad to know that Robbie Norris, a member of our last year's premiership winning side is well on way to recovery after an accident which terminated his football and surfing career.

Bill (Barbecue) Godden, the new live wire President of Waratah Club says that the teams although made up of all local talent will put Waratah back on the top with the combined efforts of both players and committee.

Max Tisdell one of South's best juniors last season, has made a well earned promotion. Max should do well with the Senior grade team.

Joe Cordner should do well in his new position second row now that he has had the opportunity to train he should develop into one of the district's hest

Norths have started this season off in fine style, in winning all trials. Much credit for this fine showing goes to Don Williams who has given them a major share of the ball in all games.

The recent sudden death of Vince Walsh was a blow to South. Besides being a Life member of the club, he was one of the keenest supporters.

Great interest will be shown in North's young lock Norm Wilkinson, to see if he can produce the form which made him an outstanding junior of last season. His backing up has been a feature of his play in trials.

Result of South Easter Guessing Competition, T. Butler, c/o. South Club 1st; C. Phillinger, Whitebridge 2nd: and R. Woodbine, c/o. Ampol

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NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue Fullback: 1-N. Hancock

2-N. Boyd 4-R. Barry

J. Trwin—3 S. Gill—5

Halves R. McLaren-7 6-R. Mace

Forwards: 8—N. Wilkinson 10—W. Owens 12—D. Williams T. A

J. Daly—9 C. Bull—11 T. Anderson-13 SOUTH NEWCASTLE

Red-White Knickers Fullback: 1-J. McManus

Threequarters:
gun
C. Anderson—3
K. Swan—5 2-D. Morgan 4-1. Perkins

6—M. Tisdell Halves H. Miller-7

Forwards: S—B. Lawrence J. Cordner—9
10—L. Burgess D. Bear—11
12—P. Thornton N. Quinn—13

Referee: J. Barwick

Linesmen: C. Russell (Blue Flag), K. Baker (Red Flag)

RESERVE GRADE-1.45 p.m.

NORTHERN SUBURBS

Fullback: 1—L. Bowditch

Threequarters: 2—D. Sessions R. Hunter—3 4—R. Gibson J. Newton—5

6_J. Simon Halves T. Coles—7

Forwards: R. Burns—9 B. Blick—11 Worrell—13 10—T. Corrigan 12—R. Armstrong E 8-B. Gibson E.

SOUTH NEWCASTLE

Fullback: 1-W. Gill

Threequarters: D. Gibson—3 P. Collins—5 2—B. Coxhill 4—G. Walker

Halves 6-M. Gill L. Swarzes-7

Forwards:
son
D. Barrow—9
N. Elliott—11
G. Dobson—13 S—B. Robertson 10—M. O'Shea 12—K. Steel

Referee: J. Woollett

Linesmen: D. Milton (Blue Flag), Art Wright (Red Flag)

E. F. C. O.

SHORTS

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THIRD GRADE TEAMS

KURRI KURRI

Half Royal Blue top, half red bottom

Fullback: 1-A, Murray

Threequarters: G. Osland (c.)—3 -K. Johnson A. Rae T. Sumner (one to be omitted) A. Raey-5

Halves

J. Black-7 6-P. Flynn

Forwards: C. Harris-9 -A. Bradley -N. Wyborn W. Difford-11.

-F. Morehead

H. York-13

CESSNOCK

Black and Gold

Fullback: G. Flanaghan

Threequarters: E. Lightfoot R. Faulds W. Mowatt B. Croft

Halves D. Honse R. Thompson

Forwards:

R. Hamilton
K. Collins
O. Renfrew
B. Bailey (one to be omitted) B. Croft' C. White T. Burston

Referee: D. Webb Linesmen: R. Lawson (Blue Flag), M. Neild (Red Flag)

CENTRAL NEWCASTLE

Blue, White Stripes. Navy Blue Shorts Fullback:

1-A. Preston

Threequarters:

2-P. Bailey P. Hill-3 4-B. Gammick M. Rudd-5

Halves

6-G. Roberts E. Minnett-7

Forwards:

—T. Deecke —T. Taylor —R. Moon P. Yates—9 G. Scott—11

C. Thorley-13

WARATAH-MAYFIELD

Team to be Selected

Referee: A. Smith

Linesmen: E. Mitchell (Blue Flag), J. Maddison (Red Flag)

NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue

Fullback: 1-J. Parkinson

Threequarters:

J. Sessions-2—J. Schofield 4—J. Hunt J. Higgenson-

Halves 6-R. Hewitson J. Clark-7

Forwards:

S-J. Hilton 10-C. Bailey C. James—9 E. Bowditch—11, J. Leonard—13 Hilton 12-R. Fostar

Referee: C. Dagwell

SOUTH NEWCASTLE

Red-White Knickers Fullback: 1-G. Bodell

Threequarters: N. McCorriston-3 2-L. Creek

G. Ott-5 4-D. Froude Halves

6-C. Wright J. Booth-7 Forwards: D. Bland-9

8-W. Saalfeld 10-T. Laverty 12-M. Dyet C. Corbett—11 B. Nickisson—13

Linesmen: J. Lygoe (Blue Flag), N. Howie (Red Flag)

LAKES UNITED

Blue and Gold, White Shorts Fullback:

1-D. Wendt

Threequarters: J. Crockett-3 _J. Halpin -B. Jones K. Hinks-

Halves F. Whiteland—7 6-J. Saint

Forwards:
W. Cowan—9
I T. Howse—11
C. Evendon—13 S-F. Penfold -R. Turnbull -R. Rusden

WESTERN SUBURBS

Red and Green

Fullback: 1-Jim Vosilla

Threequarters: 2-Brian Matthews Noel Dagwell-3 4-Max. Atkins Jim Rabbitt-5

Halves Bill Gray-7 6-Tom Riordon

Forwards:

S—Col. Law 10—Ray Johnson 12—Fred Ford Brian Giles-9 Pat Donnelly-11 Nev. Rounsley-13

Referee: N. Johnson Linesmen: J. Wallace (Blue Flag), D. Murphy (Red Flag)