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Centuries with two clubs

Many Rugby League players achieve the distinction of representing a club in 100 first-grade games.

It is a much rarer feat to appear in 100 first-grade games with two

separate clubs.

But that is the milestone North Newcastle second-rower David Riding will reach when he plays against Maitland at Passmore Oval this Saturday.

Riding reaches his century with the Blues in his fifth season with the club after switching from Macquarie United, where he played about

130 first-grade games.

Riding, 30, achieved his greatest League satisfaction last year when he was a member of North's premiership-winning team.

As one of Newcastle's longestserving grade players the lightweight forward has become a great "survivor, despite his high rate of hard

toil, especially in defence.

After playing his early football with South Lakes teams Riding joined Macquarie in juniors and went on to play more than 150 grade matches with the club from 1968 to 1975.

In his early years in grade he played in the backs but made a successful switch to the forwards after a few seasons.



David Riding

The switch provided a springboard to regular first-grade selection.

Still living at Dora Creek, his birthplace, Riding finds his increased travelling to train with North "no worry".

He has no special recipe for fitness: he starts training early in the year but he does nothing extra outside the club's normal sessions once the season starts.

Riding was one of the few members of last year's North team to stay on with the club in its time of financial distress this year.

Saturday, June 28—3 p.m.

Passmore Oval

Coach: John Carmody

SCRUMS

1 2 3 4 5 6

7 8 9 10 11 1 2

13 14 15 16 17 18

PENALTIES

1 2 3 4 5 6

7 8 9 10 11 1 2

13 14 15 16 17 18

North Newcastle

Royal blue and sky blue

1-MARK WRIGHT

2—PHILLIP HOLMES

3-BOB McKIERNAN

4—JOHN McKIERNAN

5-MARK BATES

6—IAN BARKLEY

7—JOHN MAYES

8—GREG HURRY

9—DAVE RIDING 10—MARK SULLIVAN

11—MICHAEL DONNELLY

12—REX WRIGHT

13—ROD FINLAY

Referee: D. Thornton

Coach: John Mayes

SCRUMS

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 1 1 12 13 1 415 16 17 18

PENALTIES

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13-14 15 16 17 18

Maitland

Black and white

1-WAYNE ATKINS

2-MICHAEL MURRELL

3—GARRY McARTHUR

4—SHANE MATHEWS

5—WARREN MEDCALF

6—WAYNE HOLZ

7—JOHN SCOTT

8—SHAUN COLLINGWOOD

9—MICHAEL MATE

10—STEPHEN GILLIGAN

11-MILTON BURROWS

12—DARRYL SWAN

13-ROBBIE SULLIVAN

Touch Judges: C. Sheather (Blue). J. Smith (Red)

RESERVE GRADE 1.25 p.m.

NORTH NEWCASTLE

Coach: Dave Morley

1-Steve DORAN

Bob KULPACH—3 2—Wayne McDONALD John TRANTER—5 4—Chris McKIERNAN

6—Peter BARKLEY Neil MAYBURY—7

8—Col MATHIAS Nicholas KING-9 10—Ray TURNER

Garry BROWN—11 12—Gordon BRAUER Steve BETTRIDGE—13

Referee: W. Wilks

MAITLAND Coach: Max Boland

1—Chris SKELTON

2—Len BLAKENEY 4—Peter WATSON 6—David BATEY

8—Max BOLAND

10—Doug PALMER

12-Wayne BISCHOFF

Richard BYRNE—3 Stephen MEARS—5 Paul DOOLEY-7 Ross BROWN-9 Alex WATKINS-11

Paul BURGESS—13

Touch Judges: R. McLaren (Blue), D. Smith (Red)

THIRD GRADE 12 noon

NORTH NEWCASTLE

Coach: Bruce Williamson

1-Paul HILL

—Steve DRUMMOND Denis OUTRAM—3

4—Ron THOMAS Graham ASBURY-5

6—Jim WILLIAMS Peter SLEAP—7

8—Geoff HAWTHORNE George CURTIS-9

10-Michael RYAN John BUFI-11

12—Chris MORGAN Bruce WILLIAMSON (c)—13

Referee: G. Turnbull

MAITLAND

Coach: Mick Ouinn

1-Chris DALEY

2—Darren HUGHES

4—Stephen MORROW

6—Peter JONES

8—Robert BAKER

10—Ned MOSBY

12-Michael SHARPE

Richard LOW-3 Brett CAMPBELL_5

David PARREY-Paul HUGHES-9

Wayne DAWSON-11

Neville HARMAN-13

Touch Judges: M. Benson (Blue), I. Pederson (Red)

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KURRI KURRI 23 (J. Roach 2, G. Palmer 2, P. Gillon tries, G. Forlonge 4 goals) d. SOUTH NEWCASTLE 19 (D. Jones, S. Filipuzzi. J. Scott tries. D. Lowe 5 goals). MAITLAND 15 (M. Murrell, S. Gilligan, S. Mathews tries, W. Medcalf 3 goals)

FIRST GRADE

WESTERN SUBURBS 30 (S. Nelmes 2, T. Lawrence, D. Lance, M. Graham, R. Wharton tries, Nelmes 6 goals) d. LAKES UNITED 12 (T. Quinn, P. Cootes tries,

d NORTH NEWCASTLE 13 (I. Barkley

WARATAH-MAYFIELD 12 (R. Tunney, R. Farrell tries, Farrell 3 goals) d. CESSNOCK 7 (D. Tanna try, H. Tatana 2 goals)

MACQUARIE UNITED 21 (K. Sumner 2. D. Bleakney, P. Carey, R. Jones tries, Carey 3 goals: d. CENTRAL CHARLES-TOWN 14 (P. Lee, G. Robbs tries, I.

Dobson 4 goals). RESERVE GRADE

try, G. Hurry 5 goals).

N. Bagnall 3 goals).

Maitland 8 d. North Newcastle 6; Western

Kurri Kurri 26 d. South Newcastle 3:

Suburbs 35 d. Lakes United 17; Cessnock 13 d. Waratah-Mayfield 8; Macquarie United 16 d. Central Charlestown 15. THIRD GRADE

South Newcastle 25 d. Kurri Kurri 5;

Maitland 16 d. North Newcastle 5:

Western Suburbs 21 d Lakes United 10; Cessnock 9 d. Waratah-Mayfield 7:

lown 9.

Macquarie United 22 d. Central Charles-