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## THE MOMENT OF TRUTH FOR SEMI-FINAL CONTENDERS

Four teams put their semi-final chances on the line this weekend in games that could determine their chances of making the final five.

Central Charlestown and Macquarie United clash at Harker Oval on Friday night. Both teams are on eight points from their four wins and although both teams were defeated last weekend this game could be a very close encounter, with so much at stake for them. Central Charlestown held equal second placed team Cessnock to a twelve points to two result while Macquarie United were certainly not disgraced when they went down to Western Suburbs 20 points to eight in the match of the series last weekend.

Waratah-Mayfield on eight points take on competition leaders Lakes United at Waratah Oval on Sunday. The "Cheetahs" were well beaten by South Newcastle in their last game and will certainly have to be at their best to defeat the depending premiers in a game that will determine Waratah's chances of making the semi-finals.

Kurri Kurri who are in fifth position on ten points play Western Suburbs at Harker Oval on Sunday. With three teams only two points behind the "Bulldogs" a win for them is important to consolidate their position in the top five.

Western Suburbs played well when they defeated Macquarie United and will not make it easy for Kurri.

The match of the series played between South Newcastle and Cessnock at Cessnock Sports Ground on Saturday could produce some of the best football seen so far this season. South Newcastle have won their last two matches in impressive style with

their forwards dominating the games. The Cessnock pack has also played a dominant role in their teams success this season and the clash of these two packs of forwards will be well worth seeing.

South Newcastle are four points away from equal second placed team Cessnock and West and a win for them over the "Goannas" is important in their bid to fill one of the top three positions on the points table.

North Newcastle fresh from their fourteen all draw with Kurri Kurri play Maitland at Passmore Oval on Sunday in the remaining match of the eleventh series. The "Bluebags" must be encouraged by the result of their last game and will be keen to continue the form displayed by them in recent games.

### NORTHERN N.S.W. C.R.L. UNDER 16s

Newcastle has 10 players selected in U16 Northern NSW team. Newcastle again won the Northern NSW section of the CRL Championships, repeating their win in 1985. The 10 Newcastle players are Leigh Ernst, Mark Gayler, Darren Wills, Paul Jones, Stephen McNab and Andrew Tuxford all from Maitland, Dean Walker and Bill Ditton from West, Jason Martin from Mallabula and Kirk Shiels from Lakes who is the son of Tony Shiels the Lakes United hooker from the great Lakes team of 1974/75.

## TEN POINTS SEPARATE EIGHT TEAMS IN THIRD GRADE

Only ten points separate the top eight teams in third grade, in fact, four teams Kurri Kurri, Cessnock, Central and Maitland are all sharing fifth position with ten points each.

Waratah retain their first position having ten wins from their eleven games and are two points clear of Lakes United while South Newcastle are in third spot on 16 points.

These teams are in strong positions to fight out the three important first positions. West hold down fourth place on 12 points but are only two clear of the four clubs still in with a chance of making the semi-finals.

### INTERNATIONAL FIXTURE

## NEWCASTLE v NEW ZEALAND

Sunday, 13th July

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● **CARLTON UNITED BREWERY**  
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# NBN 3 — CARLTON PREMIERSHIP

Sunday, June 22—2.45 p.m.

Passmore Oval

## North Newcastle

Royal blue and sky

Coach: Karl Hutchinson

- 1—PETER WALKER
- 2—DAVE ANDERSON
- 3—NICK O'BRIEN
- 4—TONY PICKIN
- 5—IAN MILLINGTON
- 6—DAVID NEWTON
- 7—WAYNE WALKER
- 8—SHANE GARSIDE
- 9—DALE WALTON
- 10—COL GIGGINS
- 11—TODD ANDERSON
- 12—MICK RYAN
- 13—TOM PARKS



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PENALTIES												
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Referee: T. Garrett

## Maitland

Black and white

Coach: Peter Sharp

- 1—DANNY EDWARDS
- 2—MARK CROOKS
- 3—PETER JONES
- 4—ROD CASTLES
- 5—MICHAEL HUGHES
- 6—WAYNE CLARK
- 7—PAUL DOOLEY
- 8—BRETT FARRELLY
- 9—ROBERT BAKER
- 10—BRAD DAGG
- 11—RUSSELL HAUGHTON
- 12—CRAIG BARCLAY
- 13—MILTON BURROWS



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Late Touch Judges: T. Davis (Blue), L. Barnes (Red)

## RESERVE GRADE

1.10 p.m.

### NORTH NEWCASTLE

Coach: Mick Ryan

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|--------------------|------------------|
| 1—Darren MEHAN     | Darren MAXWELL—3 |
| 2—Dave FLETCHER    | Rick COLEMAN—5   |
| 4—John BLENKIRON   | Alan ARMSTRONG—7 |
| 6—Ken FAIRHALL (c) | Pat MULLEN—9     |
| 8—Brett DANN       | Peter TAYLOR—11  |
| 10—Don HARDY       | Wayne HYDE—13    |
| 12—Steve TERRY     |                  |

Referee: R. Haines

### MAITLAND

Coach: Grahame Hodges

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|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1—Jason HOWSON     | Michael THRELFORD—3 |
| 2—Michael FARRELLY | Steve LITTLE—5      |
| 4—Scott HURST      | John SCOTT—7        |
| 6—Phillip MAHONEY  | Gerard PAYNE—9      |
| 8—John MORRIS      | Pat WARBY—11        |
| 10—Paul JUHNKE     | Ray TURNER—13       |
| 12—Michael SHARP   |                     |

## THIRD GRADE

11.45 a.m.

### NORTH NEWCASTLE

Coach: Terry Dent

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|------------------|------------------|
| 1—Terry DENT (c) | Ron PAYNE—3      |
| 2—Gary EVANS     | Brett REED—5     |
| 4—Carl BUCK      | Paul CLARK—7     |
| 6—Peter PRESTON  | Dave WILLIAMS—9  |
| 8—Phil HARRISON  | Dave STANFORD—11 |
| 10—Ray KATLEY    | Ken ARMSTRONG—13 |
| 12—Col PAXTON    |                  |

Referee: D. Crich

### MAITLAND

Coach: Mark Conway

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|--------------------|-------------------|
| 1—Peter BUFFIER    | Mark STEADMAN—3   |
| 2—Brad DORN        | Mark WILSON—5     |
| 4—Gil SMITH        | Gary SURMAN—7     |
| 6—Peter MACK       | Peter McINERNEY—9 |
| 8—Scott NANCARROW  | Peter SPOHR—11    |
| 10—Mark CONWAY (c) | Jamie OZGA—13     |
| 12—Alan GREENTREE  |                   |

Early Touch Judges: V. Wyborn (Blue), I. Delforce (Red)



## MAITLAND Leagues Club

Snack Bar open daily noon to 2.00 p.m., 5.00 to 6.00 p.m.

Darcy Restaurant open Wed. to Fri. for Lunch; Wed. to Sun. for Dinner.

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### ATTENTION MEMBERS AND GUESTS

**Tuesday:** Free Housie, 11 a.m., Main Auditorium.

**Wednesday:** Free Housie, 7.30 p.m., Main Auditorium.

**Thursday:** Snooker Competition, 8 p.m.

**Friday:** Free Housie, 2.30 p.m., Main Auditorium. Non-Profit Raffle, drawn 6 p.m.

**Sunday:** Spectacular Non-Profit Raffle. Tickets on sale from 4 p.m. Drawn 6.30 p.m. Top prizes including electrical goods, travel goods, manchester, etc.

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## NBN 3-CARLTON PREMIERSHIP

### First Grade

WESTERN SUBURBS 24 (J. Hulbert, G. Eagar, C. Higgins, W. Newling tries, G. Eagar 4 goals) d KURRI KURRI 16 (B. Hopes, C. Wyborn tries, P. Williams 4 goals).

MAITLAND 28 (P. Jones, R. Castles, M. Hughes, R. Haughton, C. Barclay tries, D. Edwards 4 goals) d NORTH NEWCASTLE 2 (T. Pickin goal).

SOUTH NEWCASTLE 13 (J. Tongue, R. White, S. Cherry tries, R. Jones drop goal) d CESSNOCK 6 (J. Barr try, B. Davies goal).

LAKE UNITED 34 (M. Bates 2, P. Parsons, S. Drinkwater, P. Walsh, S. Walters, R. Taylor tries, P. Walsh 2 goals, S. Drinkwater goal) d WARATAH MAYFIELD 6 (T. Crow try, G. Randall goal).

MACQUARIE UNITED 28 (T. Stevenson, P. Alexander, D. Moore, A. Williams, M. McCloskey tries, W. Snowden 4 goals) d CENTRAL CHARLESTOWN 6 (C. Croese try, G. Price goal).

### Reserve Grade

West 50 d Kurri 4, Maitland 14 d North 0, South 22 d Cessnock 16, Lakes 28 d Waratah 8, Central 15 d Macquarie 10.

### Third Grade

West 22 d Kurri 6, Maitland 34 d North 10, South 16 d Cessnock 14, Waratah 13 d Lakes 6, Central 4 drew with Macquarie 4.