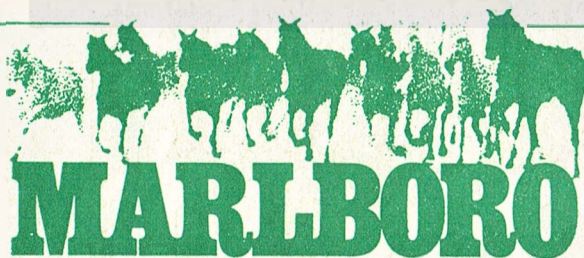


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# NEWS

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PLAYER OF THE YEAR ON SPORTS REPORT**

# NEWS FROM CLUBS

TWO "Goanna" stalwarts, Bill "Whizzy" Mowatt and Terry Connolly are within seven games of achieving their 200 club games and getting automatic life membership. Couldn't happen to two worthier players.

SILENT and competent worker behind the scenes for the Kurri club is former Kurri halfback Alan Dodd. Better known to his mates as "Cuddly Bear", Alan, as well as keeping the public informed with game reports etc., does a terrific job with his small team of workers looking after the "Bulldogs" refreshment bar.

ROGER McDONNELL is seen to advantage each week in Lakes teams. Roger is one of the older brigade at Belmont and sets an example hard to equal by youngsters. He is not all that old himself, however he is like part of the furniture in Lakes United teams.

CONGRATULATIONS to Peter Howlett on his selection in the Country Firsts team to play City Firsts at the Sydney Cricket Ground on Saturday. Peter had a very successful tour of New Zealand with the N.S.W. Country team and a further good game in today's match would see him challenge strongly for a place in the New South Wales team.

PAUL BOWHAY, North reserve grade prop, is playing with tons of enthusiasm and no doubt will find himself a place in the Seniors before the season is much older.

DARRELL DAVEY, Central Charlestown reserve grade coach, played a big part in his team's win over the 'Nocks. When things were going bad for the Blue and Whites, Master Darrell pulled the stick and drove his boys to a good victory.

SECOND rower David Riding and hooker Doug Kemister, both had a very good game with Macquarie against West last week.

ON behalf of the committee, players and supporters of the "Pumpkin Pickers", we congratulate Kevin Cousins who today plays his 100th game for the club. Well done by a great clubman.

A BIG hand to Central Charlestown five-eighth Max Boland. Max, a former "Pumpkin Picker", contributed six goals and one try to Central's win over Cessnock on Saturday last. Max has fitted in very well with his new club and is a most likeable young bloke.

CONGRATULATIONS to Macquarie United first grade on being sole leaders of the competition with five wins out of five.

LAKES UNITED forward Graham Huggins, has settled in well since coming down from Murwillumbah. A heady player, Graham does a good job in each game.

WEST'S lucky number in the raffle last week was 3471 and this was won by Phillip Field of Toronto.

NORTH'S Supporters Club Annual Meeting will be held on June 12, 1974, at Newcastle Leagues Club at 8 p.m. All welcome.

PROBABLY the best part about Waratah's win last week was the return to top form of prop forward Larry Hill. Now that big "Lazza" has hit his straps and running on to the ball like he used to, we can look forward to more displays like we saw last week.

CONGRATULATIONS to Kurri's Alan Rossiter who plays his 200th game for the club today. "Chaser", a very popular player, is an excellent clubman and has always played it hard and copped plenty without complaint, making him an idol of many Kurri supporters.

FULLBACK Terry McNaughton's ability to score tries and kick goals in third grade has been rewarded by promotion to South reserve grade.



PROMOTED to first grade with Maitland last week, Robert Thomson took full advantage of his chance and his performance was first class.

GARY WALSH is playing brilliant football with Macquarie and will take some moving from his position.

A BIG welcome home from a working holiday in England to Lakes United's Wayne and Jenny Cooper. Wayne played some football while in the U.K. and lost no time getting to training on his return.

CONGRATULATIONS to Roger Mullard from all in "Goanna" land for gaining his Country representative blazer. Roger is very popular with players and officials as is dad, Freddy or "Fishy" as he is better known.

CONGRATULATIONS to Kel "Humphry" Sweetman who is doing a wonderful job as North's reserve grade captain-coach.

WARATAH does not buy many players, but when they do you can be sure he is always someone who gives value. No exception this year is hooker Peter Edmonds. Peter, always a top liner in his many seasons with Maitland, seems to be a player better than ever and the 'Tahs are indeed fortunate to have such a fine hooker in their side.

ON the injured list of the "Pumpkin Pickers" we have Kevin Hortle and we wish him a speedy and complete recovery and hope to see him soon on the field of play.

WEST first grade centre Gary Train is settling down well in his new club. A very deceptive runner, he is proving to be more than a handful for his opposition centres and one feels that when the big ones come around at the end of the season, Gary will be one of West's main players.

WE welcome back to the "Pumpkin Pickers" ranks today Mick and Les and congratulate them on their selection for Country firsts.

STEVIE COTTON, Central-Charlestown halfback, certainly pulled more than cotton over the eyes of the "Goannas" on Saturday last, with that 50 metres intercept — a beauty!

MACQUARIE players and supporters: Don't forget your Green and Gold Ball is on Saturday, June 1, at Wangi R.S.L. Tickets are on sale now and are limited.

GREAT work Randall Smith in Lakes United thirds last week. Randall has played almost 100 games for Lakes in lower grades and has served his club well.

BEST of luck to Ernie Kurtz, the former Hunslet (England) winger, who plays his first full first grade match with South Newcastle this afternoon. The same applies to Mark Witcom, the former North utility player. Mark plays his first game with South this afternoon in reserve grade, but a player of his ability should be soon to appear in first grade.

NORTH'S team managers, John Thomas, Neil Hancock and Bob Higginson are a most capable trio. Congratulations men on a job well done.

NOW in the role of captaincy with Waratah is Ken Lantry. A born leader, and great judge of how a game is going, Ken also does not allow the strain of it to effect his game in any way.

WEST third grade captain-coach, Ken "Poppa" Smith, unfortunately sidelined by injury at Kurri is reported to be coming along pretty well and if determination means anything he will be back there leading his boys later on in the season.

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HARKER OVAL—3 p.m.

Sunday, May 19, 1974

## Western Suburbs v. Northern Suburbs

### WESTERN SUBURBS

Red and Green (Coach: D. Ward)

Fullback:

1—K. Hemsworth *G G G G*

Three-quarters:

2—P. Slattery *W P P* G. Owens—3 *J T*

4—G. Train D. Newman—5

Halves:

6—J. Monie D. Ward—7

Forwards:

8—P. Howlett M. Goldman—9

10—G. Cook G. Skeers—11

12—A. Dagwell *J T* G. Whitmore—13

Referee: D. Thornton

### NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue Sky Blue Bars (Coach: R. Devonshire)

Fullback:

1—J. Mollard *G G G*

Three-quarters:

2—R. Tunney *J T* S. Dann—3

4—D. Steele G. Mason—5

Halves:

6—J. Campbell R. Andrews—7

Forwards:

8—P. Gilfeather G. Briggs—9

10—P. Beetson *J T* B. Russell—11

12—E. Russell R. Devonshire—13

Linesmen: G. Benson (Blue), C. Sheather (Red)

## RESERVE GRADE — 1.30 p.m.

### WESTERN SUBURBS

Red and Green

Fullback:

1—I. Bell

Three-quarters:

2—W. Hore *J T* P. Barnewell—3 *J T*

4—G. Norgard *J T* R. Dowse—5 *J T*

Halves:

6—K. Blackwell *J T* J. Wright—7

Forwards:

8—J. Beecher *J T* W. Evans—9 *J T*

10—M. Trypas B. Barber—11

12—K. Parkes K. Hutchinson—13

Referee: K. Marker

### NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue and Sky Blue Bars

Fullback:

1—B. Bussell *G G G*

Three-quarters:

2—T. Price G. Harrison—3

4—K. Sweetman P. Upton—5

Halves:

6—S. Doran R. Davis—7

Forwards:

8—C. Strutt C. Newton—9

10—P. Newton P. Bowhay—11

12—J. Nyland P. Linde—13

Linesmen: W. Hardy (Blue), D. Malone (Red)

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# THIRD GRADE

12.15 p.m.

## SOUTH NEWCASTLE

White, Red V

- 1—J. Lullham  
2—C. Haasmoot P. Watsford—3  
4—K. Ticehurst W. Smith—5  
6—J. Luet B. Walton—7  
8—C. Harney G. Scott—9  
10—G. Crompton M. Brennan—11  
12—R. Cleaver D. Gall—13

Referee: R. Keyes

## WARATAH-MAYFIELD

Gold, Maroon V

- 1—B. Thompson  
2—B. Hughes K. Wilson—3  
4—B. Mathews R. Richards—5  
6—N. Lawson R. Thompson—7  
8—M. Cummings P. Gumbleton—9  
10—G. Mannix S. Buckingham—11  
12—I. Osborn S. Roxby—13

Linesmen: R. Milton (Blue), J. Leonard (Red)

## KURRI KURRI

Royal Blue, Red and White V

- 1—J. Flannagan  
2—J. Brown D. Rouse—3  
4—T. Anderson K. Brien—5  
6—N. Stoker R. Nugent—7  
8—W. Cardow D. Booker—9  
10—T. Counsell B. Liddell—11  
12—J. Erving N. Fox—13

Referee: C. Russell

## CENTRAL-CHARLESTOWN

Blue and White Hoops

- 1—H. Small  
2—D. Bowe T. McGregor—3  
4—A. Young R. Johnson—5  
6—K. Allars W. Hancock—7  
8—G. Sedden R. Nunn—9  
10—S. Poulton L. Ireland—11  
12—P. Hancock D. Murray—13

Linesmen: W. Milton (Blue), R. Gottery (Red)

## MAITLAND

Black and White

- 1—K. Cousins  
2—G. Preston M. Lawler—3  
4—M. Quinn S. Shone—5  
6—K. Thomas W. Hawke—7  
8—J. Callaghan N. Sweeney—9  
10—S. Dennis D. Hain—11  
12—R. Chandler B. Hall—13

Referee: M. Walsh

## CESSNOCK

Black and Gold

- 1—T. Yates  
2—T. Lannigan K. Carroll—3  
4—T. Connolly R. Smith—5  
6—T. Bell G. Kilmurray—7  
8—D. Pemberton G. Hindmarsh—9  
10—D. Burgess F. Lennard—11  
12—G. Knipe B. Peek—13

Linesmen: A. McLennan (Blue), B. Mate (Red)

## WESTERN SUBURBS

Red and Green

- 1—C. John  
2—N. Freund R. Christie—3  
4—A. Murphy R. Cooper—5  
6—P. Anderson R. Darcy—7  
8—G. Hamilton P. Burt—9  
10—J. Cook B. Crompton—10  
12—J. Arthur K. Emerton—13

Referee: J. Everett

## NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue and Sky Blue Bars

- 1—R. Toby  
2—L. Plimmer C. Cox—3  
4—R. Davis L. Dawson—5  
6—N. Skelton K. Wilson—7  
8—G. Gibson A. Wasley—9  
10—D. Kay R. Johnson—11  
12—B. Williamson J. Brugnioni—13

Linesmen: W. Hardy (Blue), D. Malone (Red)

## MACQUARIE UNITED

Green and Gold, White Shorts

- 1—J. Fitzgerald  
2—M. Cleary R. Fowell—3  
4—G. Bunn G. Mullaly—5  
6—P. Ryan J. Williamson—7  
8—P. Christiansen G. Thompson—9  
10—D. O'Neill J. Findlater—11  
12—G. Howell R. Christie—13

Referee: D. Bolewski

## LAKES UNITED

Blue and Gold, Blue Shorts

- 1—R. Smith  
2—C. Northey N. Gaudion—3  
4—W. Martin E. Winn—5  
6—T. Lorimer R. Bell—7  
8—P. Cowling P. McCluskey—9  
10—P. Ramplin G. Heaney—11  
12—M. Ramplin P. Murray—13

Linesmen: P. Evans (Blue), L. Vanderclay (Red)



# NEWCASTLE PREMIERSHIP

## First Grade

MACQUARIE UNITED 13 (J. Roberts, J. Sommers, P. Jaques tries; Roberts, P. Callen goals) d LAKES UNITED 6 (R. Burgess 3 goals).

CESSNOCK 21 (G. Bradley 2, K. Morris, T. Kirk tries; G. Smallcombe 4 goals, Morris field goal) d MAITLAND 10 (Z. Niszczoł, P. Sharp tries, K. Shine 2 goals).

WESTERN SUBURBS 20 (A. Dagwell 2, G. Owen 2 tries; K. Hemsworth 4 goals) d NORTHERN SUBURBS 17 (R. Tunney, P. Beeton, B. Russell tries; J. Mullard 4 goals).

SOUTH NEWCASTLE 16 (E. Kurtz, G. Banks, S. Bailey tries; J. Anderson 3 goals, field goal) d WARATAH-MAYFIELD 15 (P. Love, G. Thompson tries; R. Munro 4 goals, field goal).

KURRI KURRI 22 (N. Boyes 2, A. Williams, J. Mitchell tries; N. Bagnall 5 goals) d CENTRAL CHARLESTOWN 17 (M. Boland 2, T. Prince tries; Bowland 4 goals).

**RESERVE GRADE:** Macquarie United 16 d Lakes United 15; Maitland 26 d Cessnock 12; Western Suburbs 14 d Northern Suburbs 6; South Newcastle 20 d Waratah-Mayfield 5. Newcastle 20 d Waratah-Mayfield 5; Central Charlestown 21 d Kurri Kurri 9.

**THIRD GRADE:** Macquarie United 10 d Lakes United 6; Maitland 31 d Cessnock 13; Western Suburbs 7 d Northern Suburbs 0; South Newcastle 10 d Waratah-Mayfield 5; Central Charlestown 10 d Kurri Kurri 0.