

# LEAGUE NEWS

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# NEWS FROM CLUBS

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CESSNOCK fans expect John Phillips to become the all time record point scorer for the club this afternoon. The record is currently held by the great "Dasher" Parkinson. Dave will be the first to congratulate the prolific Phillips if and when he does exceed his total of 1,149 points. John needs only 5 points to pass this. This is his eighth year with the Nocks.

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**WARREN SCOTMAN**, first grade fullback for the "Blues" gave another strong performance against Lakes last Sunday. Warren, a junior player of last season has fitted into the first grade as if he had been playing there for years.

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IN a day of congratulations, Maitland congratulates Brian Burke on his recognition as Country Player of the Year and I feel sure all followers of the game will agree that it was an award well merited.

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FUTURE additions to Cessnock teams were born to the Barry Burgess and Gordon Bradley families. Young Bradley Burgess is a future prop according to his parents. Gordon has provided another prospective five-eighth and it's pleasing to report that his wife is recovering from a rather severe illness.

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**NORTHERN SUBURBS** supporters could be forgiven for thinking there is two prop forwards by the name of Joe Brugnani playing reserve grade. The amount of work this tough forward gets through in a game is unbelievable.

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SOUTH NEWCASTLE'S 1972 Red and White Ball is to be held on Wednesday, June 28 at South Leagues Club. Tickets are now available for this social event, which is one of the highlights of the season.

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IAN INGLE, the hard-working Cessnock forward, took a big step forward recently when he announced his engagement to lovely lass, Ruth McLennan. Ian, a trainee schoolteacher, and Ruth are very popular with the "Goanna" camp and received widespread congratulations.

PROBABLY the most unluckiest player in the Maitland Club is Peter Edmonds who last week played outstanding football, but with the return of Alan today, finds himself in reserve grade and Peter last week also won the Father of the Week Award. Congratulations Maria and Peter on the arrival of another hooker.

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PAT NEYLAN, who played his first senior game for Macquarie a couple of weeks ago against Kurri is playing good football and has held his first grade position.

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KURRI Rugby League Injured Players' Fund Lucky No. 4353 was won by Mrs. Duncan of Central Charlestown.

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IT has been learnt through the week that two great stalwarts of Kurri Rugby League in H. (Buller) Hume and Len Jones are in Belmont and Kurri Hospital, and hope they are on the road to recovery.

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WARREN GARDINER returns to South's pack this week after his second spell of bad luck with injury this season. He is confident he can soon reach top form.

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**NORTHERN SUBURBS** third grade put up a stirring effort to play a draw last week. Allen Lobleby, Barry Pascoe, Tony Faulkner and Tony Tarnawski were just a few to stand out.

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MISSING from South's line-up this week is Cliff Ireland. A former rep. centre, Cliff has been a fine example to all football players with his copy book tackling.

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JOHN ADAMSON has been going great guns in South's reserve grade and has already won a couple of the club awards.

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**BRIAN RUSSELL** is showing excellent form for North's at the moment. Brian is a very strong forward and a big future in the game is freely tipped for him.

WEST senior club officials are indeed indebted to the young players from the under 19 years team who have turned out for the lower grades this year. These boys, namely P. O'Brien, a front rower; M. Birt and P. Daniels, second rowers; and winger G. White have played consistently well when chosen and it is encouraging to see young players of their calibre coming along and this augurs well for the future of the club.

PETER HOWLETT by his dashing display at Toronto against Macquarie showed that he is fast getting back to his best. Peter's brilliant display undoubtedly spearheaded his team and a continuation of such form would strengthen their claim to premiership honours this year. Peter it is felt will be an automatic selection in next season's representative games. No doubt all his many admirers will be looking for a repeat today.

GARY DAGWELL, West reserve grade second row forward is certainly showing out to advantage for his team. This 80 minute player never stops trying, never far from the ball, he has that certain something that champions are made of and above all he is a clubman that any club would be proud of and rightly so as he comes from real Rugby League stock, so much so that a West team without a "Dagwell" does not seem complete.

NORTH'S treasurer John "Tom Jones" Thomas has so many movements that his wife thinks that he would be a natural playing half back.

KURRI officials and supporters hope it won't be long before Barry Wiseman is playing in the centre of the scrum, as he has been playing exceptionally well. Speedy recovery Barry.

MAITLAND club congratulates that great player and clubman Merv Wright, who today plays his 100th first grade game with the club.

ANOTHER under 19 years player, Paul McIntosh, takes his place in West third grade team today. Paul usually plays fullback for his team, but it is considered that he has the makings of a good centre threequarter. One thing is for sure, if he goes as well as his fellow team-mates anything is likely to happen. "Best of luck Paul".

WHEN this season got under way things at Waratah looked pretty grim. Half a side had gone to richer clubs and many others looked doubtful. However there was one ray of light in the club. This was the appointment of coach Billy Sneddon. Now, if ever a man could pull a club together "Sneddo" was the man to do it. The rest you know. Billy has built up a team of no stars but 13 players who are prepared to play for him and Waratah each week. To "Sneddo" everyone in Waratah says "thank you for a job well done".

THANKS Steve Robinson . . . The point is Steve was under no obligation to play with Waratah and there was no transfer fee to hold him, not one cent did he ask from the club, yet he was the first player at Waratah to sign for the season.

WHAT a capture for Waratah has been the ex-Lakes forward, Phil Radford. Phil has developed into one of the best second row forwards in the town and if you think he can't tackle, I suggest you ask one of the Waratah selectors, who recently credited him with a fantastic 39 in one game.

NORTHERN SUBURBS third grade side have a most willing helper in the shape of Kerry "Wombat" Gilchrist. The assistance that he gives team manager Allan Hughes has to be seen to be appreciated.

STEPHEN MORROW makes his first appearance with the Macquarie senior team against Lakes for the 1972 season.

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# NEWCASTLE LEAGUES CLUB

## ATTENTION MEMBERS

**Saturday 27th:** Cabaret commencing at 8 p.m. with the John Chidgey Group.  
**Sunday 28th:** 10.30 a.m. K.O. Snooker Tournament, good trophies; 8 p.m., Film, drama.

**Wednesday May 31:** Variety Night at 8 p.m. Proceeds are in aid of Central-Charlestown Supporters Club. Guest artists.

CESSNOCK OVAL—3 p.m.

Saturday, May 27, 1972

## Cessnock v. Northern Suburbs

### CESSNOCK

Black and Gold

Full-back	
1—J. Batey	
Three-quarters	
2—J. Phillips	R. Sneeshy—3
4—M. Goldman	D. Moore—5
Halves	
6—G. Bradley	L. Hannah—7
Forwards	
8—J. Scott	L. Clifton—9
10—R. Thomson	W. Jobson—11
12—N. Henderson	D. White—13

Referee: K. Marker

### NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue and Sky Blue Bars

Full-back	
1—W. Scotman	
Three-quarters	
2—G. Curtis	K. Sweetman—3
4—M. Witcom	J. Karnaghan—5
Halves	
6—N. Skelton	R. Andrews—7
Forwards	
8—S. Farquhar	B. Russell—9
10—B. Crooks	K. Byers—11
12—A. Jones	D. Nichols—13

Linesmen: C. Thomson (Blue), F. Kitcher (Red)

## RESERVE GRADE — 1.30 p.m.

### CESSNOCK

Black and Gold

Full-back	
1—C. Bradley	
Three-quarters	
2—R. Austin	B. Slade—3
4—T. Conolly	D. Williams—5
Halves	
6—G. Sampson	K. Morris—7
Forwards	
8—W. Mitchell	D. Clark—9
10—G. Simpson	F. Lennard—11
12—B. Garnett	I. Ingle—13

Referee: R. Brownlee

### NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue and Sky Blue Bars

Full-back	
1—R. Mayo	
Three-quarters	
2—T. Price	K. Grainger—3
4—A. Lobley	J. Woods—5
Halves	
6—P. Watsford	R. Davis—7
Forwards	
8—D. Davey	P. Cox—9
10—R. Davis	J. Brugnani—11
12—B. Williamson	J. Niszczoł—13

Linesmen: J. Archer (Blue), J. Thornton (Red)

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# THIRD GRADE

12.15 p.m.

## CESSNOCK

Black and Gold

1—P. Turnbull

2—R. Cameron	G. Banister—3
4—R. Fowler	B. Lidbury—5
6—G. Boyd	S. McDonald—7
8—W. Mowatt	R. Thomas—9
10—G. Reay	R. McWilliams—11
12—F. Nicholson	B. Peek—13

Referee: R. Reid

## NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue and Sky Blue Bars

1—D. Lowe

2—G. Pickering	D. Steele—3
4—R. Tohy	J. Johnson—5
6—V. Watsford	G. Elliott—7
8—P. Gray	R. Benson—9
10—D. Whitten	D. Teale—11
12—D. Cassidy	J. Dwyer—13

Linesmen: J. Archer (Blue), J. Thornton (Red)

## WESTERN SUBURBS

Red and Green

1—B. Warby

2—G. White	P. McIntosh—3
4—K. Smith	C. John—5
6—P. Anderson	L. Dagwell—7
8—C. Pritchard	M. Bird—9
10—S. Layson	W. Mutu—11
12—P. Walls	G. Broadhead—13

Referee: D. Bolewski

## CENTRAL CHARLESTOWN

(Blue and White Hoops)

1—P. Carroll

2—H. Bailey	R. Turnbull—3
4—J. Wallwork	J. Marshall—5
6—V. Morrison	J. Davidson—7
8—D. Murray	J. Gardiner—9
10—B. Fairclough	J. Laxford—11
12—W. Loughton	T. Bull—13

Linesmen: K. Cartwright (Blue), R. Milton (Red)

## SOUTH NEWCASTLE

White, Red V

1—T. McNaughton

2—N. Hugo	R. Vitnell—3
4—G. Nicol	G. Marshall—5
6—N. Morgan	B. Walton—7
8—J. Murdoch	M. Davis—9
10—A. Stamp	G. Graham—11
12—M. Maynard	T. Seofman—13

Referee: C. Sheather

## KURRI KURRI

Half Red Top, Half Blue Bottom

1—P. Johns

2—J. O'Brien	B. Metcalfe—3
4—M. Hargraves	G. Cairns—5
6—P. Gladman	Johns/Mumcaster—7
8—P. Perkins	N. Moffatt—9
10—D. Beveridge	G. Williams—11
12—B. Hampton	L. Ellis—13

Linesmen: W. Hardy (Blue), J. Longbottom (Red)

## MAITLAND

Black and White

1—D. Andrews

2—G. Millett	G. Harley—3
4—B. House	S. Whitehouse—5
6—W. Gleeson	G. Rollinson—7
8—P. Williams	L. Moffat—9
10—G. Radnidge	G. Marquet—11
12—E. Spender	G. Grainger—13

Referee: D. Crich

## WARATAH

Gold, Maroon V

1—W. Munro

2—D. Martin	R. Redman—3
4—A. McHugh	B. Pope—5
6—D. Brophy	J. Toohey—7
8—D. Shields	B. Judd—9
10—D. Day	J. Crawford—11
12—K. Wright	T. Anthony—13

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

## LAKES UNITED

Blue and Gold, Black Shorts

1—G. Swancott

2—A. Corrigan	M. Walker—3
4—J. Canning	J. Howard—5
6—A. King	M. Smith—7
8—H. Small	L. James—9
10—R. Grice	A. Johnston—11
12—J. Allen	P. Kearns—13

Referee: R. Paton

## MACQUARIE UNITED

Green and Gold Bars, Black Shorts

1—T. Timms

2—K. Christiansen	J. Latham—3
4—R. Carr	R. Powell—5
6—C. Roberts	P. Callen—7
8—L. Mullan	T. Redman—9
10—D. O'Neill	P. Hunt—11
12—P. Burgess	D. Knight—13

Linesmen: B. Godden (Blue), K. Bilton (Red)

# LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

## NEWCASTLE PREMIERSHIP

### First Grade

KURRI KURRI 15 d SOUTH NEWCASTLE 11.

WARATAH-MAYFIELD 14 d MAITLAND 10.

CESSNOCK 24 d NORTHERN SUBURBS 10.

WESTERN SUBURBS 26 d CENTRAL CHARLESTOWN 3.

LAKE UNITED 30 d MACQUARIE UNITED 13.

**RESERVE GRADE:** South Newcastle 28 d Kurri Kurri 10. Maitland 13 d Waratah-Mayfield 6; Cessnock 31 d Northern Suburbs 3; Western Suburbs 23 d Central Charlestown 13; Macquarie United 13 d Lakes United 8.

**THIRD GRADE:** South Newcastle 18 d Kurri Kurri 2; Maitland 17 d Waratah-Mayfield 5; Cessnock 29 d Northern Suburbs 2; Western Suburbs 16 d Central Charlestown 10; Macquarie United 18 d Lakes United 3.