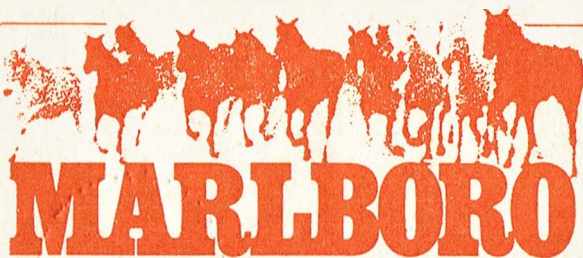


# LEAGUE

# NEWS

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**FOLLOW THE NBN 3 MARLBORO  
PLAYER OF THE YEAR ON SPORTS REPORT**

# NEWS FROM CLUBS

IMPRESSING in Lakes United first grade side is winger, Mark Pauling. Mark is new to the "Seagull" district—playing all his previous football with Mudgee. We hope he maintains his high standard of play.

WAYNE SOLOMONS did it once again and kicked his side to victory after the final bell had sounded.

WEST fullback in seniors, Keith Hemsworth, continues to show out in every match and he must be a big chance of making the Newcastle team to play against the touring Great Britain side later in the season. Very safe in the air and this, allied to his goal kicking and general rugged play, would make him an ideal last line of defence against the "Poms".

ALTHOUGH Joe would rather be playing with his reserve grade team today for Maitland, we are indeed very fortunate to have a player of his ability available to fill the first grade spot caused by injury.

KURRI'S Ladies Auxiliary are again to the fore this year in fund raising activities for the club. These ladies do a great job and their efforts are appreciated by all concerned.

CONGRATULATIONS to popular "Goanna" Gary Johns and wife Gayle on the birth of a son, Andrew, last week. The 'Nocks have missed Gazza lately because of injury but hope to see him again soon.

NORTH players from thirds, Reg Toby, Geoff Pickering, Joe Brugnioni and Robert 'Bronco' Johnson are all playing tight and constructive football, thereby taking some of the burden off their coach.

SUPPORTERS of the "Pumpkin Pickers" are reminded that the ball will be held on June 28.

GIVING good service in Macquarie third grade are G. Bunn and P. Christensen. The defence of both these players have been outstanding.

POPULAR business man, Arthur Young, of BP Service Station, Hobart Road, New Lambton, is giving tremendous support to the code out in the Western Suburbs area. Each week Arthur gives three \$5.00 awards to the best and fairest players in each of West's three grade sides. By the end of the season Arthur will have parted with over \$300. Many thanks. West's fast improving halfback, Jackie Wright, has collared four of the awards in the first six weeks plus a couple of other club awards and two each have gone to Paul Anderson, Peter Burt and Robert Darcy.

FORMER schoolboy footballer now playing with the Maitland Club is Michael Quinn. He has fitted in quite well and a bright future is tipped for him.

PLAYING in his favourite position of fullback with the "Pumpkin Pickers" last week, John Carmody was in top form and his efforts did much to give the team victory.

DENNIS MOORE made a good comeback to first grade in the "Goanna's" win over Maitland. The speedster seemed to be eager to get the ball and his play improved accordingly.

GOOD to see Dave "Dasher" Parkinson back in the "Goanna" ranks. This talented player is a decided asset to any side he plays in.

CONGRATULATIONS to Macquarie reserve grade players T. Condran, L. Scott and Gary Heaton on their fine game against Lakes last week.

ANOTHER North Junior to qualify for the Junior Bonus Incentive Scheme is winger Garry Mason.



MACQUARIE United have done it again, winning all three grades last week. Keep up the good work, all "Scorpion" supporters are proud of you.

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JOHN COOK, West third grade player, continues to go well in either the front row or second row positions in which he has been chosen lately. Many keen critics in the club think John went as well as anyone in the early trials, then came a puzzling loss of form and naturally relegation to the third grade, but one feels he is now on the way back so you can expect some big games from this player from here on in.

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TODAY sees the return to football with Maitland of John Duma from an injury, and John has only to regain top form to be a threat to the players higher up.

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NEWCOMER to the "Bulldog" camp this year and going extremely well is Doug Rowse, brother of Peter. It is Doug's first year in Rugby League, being a convert from Soccer, and if he keeps on improving it looks like a bright future for this boy in League.

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**NORTHERN SUBURBS Supporters' Club** will hold their Annual Meeting at the Newcastle League rooms on Wednesday, June 12, 1974 at 8.00 p.m. All welcome.

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SUPPORTERS of Macquarie United are reminded that the Green and Gold Ball will be held on Saturday, June 1, at Wangi R.S.L. Club. Tickets are limited and are on sale now from D. Hamilton or C. Dorrington.

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REX WAITE, West third grade hooker, continues to give his team a good supply of ball from the set scrums. This is paramount to a team's chances, especially when they are undefeated at

the time of writing. Rex is himself a team player and his ability to back up the play, often sees him rewarded with an occasional try. Above all he is a clubman and this fact alone makes him a very useful player to his club.

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INNOVATION of steak stall at the Kurri ground this year has been a great success. Instigated by committee man Ross "Possum" Roderick, he and his team of tireless workers are doing a great job.

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**DAVID KAY**, who changed from Stockton Union to North's this season has adapted himself well to the different style of play and his tackling has to be seen to be believed.

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KURRI reserve grade five-eighth, Glen Sage, is showing a lot of potential in his first year of grade football. He played for Kurri Under 18's last year and has been quick to return to form after an early injury. Keep it up Glen.

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## NZ FAVOURS FOUR TACKLES

Recently three members of the Australian Rugby League Board visited New Zealand and one of their objects was to endeavour to have New Zealand follow Australia and Britain by adopting the six-tackle rule.

Their efforts however were of no avail because the New Zealand officials intimidated they were more than happy with the four-tackle rule.

## INFLATION THE CAUSE

Inflation was given as the reason for increasing the Australian Rugby League players' allowances for the three Tests in opposition to the Englishmen in June and July.

Previous match fees were \$75, but this amount has been increased to \$120 per game.

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CAHILL OVAL—3 p.m.

Sunday, May 26, 1974

## Lakes United v. Northern Suburbs

### LAKES UNITED

Blue, Gold, Blue Shorts (Coach: A. Thomson)

Fullback:

1—J. Fisher

Three-quarters:

2—K. Swift P. Williams—3

4—T. Sheppard M. Pauling—5

Halves:

6—G. Golden L. Gailey—7

Forwards:

8—R. Burgess J. Brock—9

10—A. Thomson G. Huggins—11

12—T. Shiels D. Gardiner—13

Referee: J. Geddes

Linesmen: J. Stephens (Blue), F. Kitcher (Red)

### NORTHERN SUBURBS

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

Fullback:

1—J. Mullard

Three-quarters:

2—R. Tunney D. Steele—3

4—S. Doran G. Mason—5

Halves:

6—J. Campbell R. Andrews—7

Forwards:

8—P. Gilfeather B. Russell—9

10—P. Beetson E. Russell—11

12—J. Nyland R. Devonshire—13

## RESERVE GRADE — 1.30 p.m.

### LAKES UNITED

Blue and Gold, Blue Shorts

Fullback:

1—L. Jones

Three-quarters:

2—S. Proudlock A. Nickalls—3

4—S. Booth J. Canning—5

Halves:

6—J. Heaney R. Crawford—7

Forwards:

8—P. Loader G. Smith—9

10—J. Howard R. McDonnell—11

12—R. Green T. Finch—13

Referee: R. Paton

Linesmen: W. Hardy (Blue), K. Bilton (Red)

### NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue and Sky Blue Bars

Fullback:

1—B. Russell

Three-quarters:

2—T. Price M. Hesketh—3

4—K. Sweetman P. Upton—5

Halves:

6—G. Harrison R. Davis—7

Forwards:

8—C. Strutt C. Newton—9

10—P. Newton P. Linde—11

12—B. Williamson P. Bowhay—13

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# THIRD GRADE

12.15 p.m.

## WARATAH-MAYFIELD

Gold, Maroon V

### 1—B. Thompson

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|---------------|------------------|
| 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      |

Referee: R. Reid

## MAITLAND

Black and White

### 1—G. Preston

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

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

## CESSNOCK

Black and Gold

### 1—T. Yates

- |                |                |
|----------------|----------------|
| 2—T. Lenegan   | T. Connolly—3  |
| 4—L. Walls     | W. Davey—5     |
| 6—G. Bannister | G. Kilnurray—7 |
| 8—A. Thompson  | G. Hindmarsh—9 |
| 10—D. Burgess  | F. Lennard—11  |
| 12—G. Kripe    | B. Peek—13     |

Referee: C. Russell

## KURRI KURRI

Royal Blue, Red and White V

### 1—J. Flannagan

- |                |               |
|----------------|---------------|
| 2—I. Brown     | D. Rouse—3    |
| 4—T. Andersen  | K. Brien—5    |
| 6—G. Sage      | R. Nugent—7   |
| 8—W. Cardow    | D. Booker—9   |
| 10—T. Counsell | B. Liddell—11 |
| 12—J. Erving   | N. Fox—13     |

Linesmen: B. Mate (Blue), R. Cadogan (Red)

## 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  |

Referee: D. Bolewski

## MACQUARIE UNITED

Green and Gold, White Shorts

### 1—D. O'Neill

- |                  |                 |
|------------------|-----------------|
| 2—M. Clary       | M. Conway—3     |
| 4—R. Fewell      | S. Morrow—5     |
| 6—P. Ryan        | J. Williamson—7 |
| 8—P. Christensen | G. Thompson—9   |
| 10—G. Buna       | G. Drummond—11  |
| 12—G. Howell     | R. Christie—13  |

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

## LAKES UNITED

Blue and Gold, Blue Shorts

### 1—R. Smith

- |               |                  |
|---------------|------------------|
| 2—C. Northey  | T. Lorimer—3     |
| 4—W. Martin   | R. Nash—5        |
| 6—R. Bell     | N. Hincks—7      |
| 8—P. Cewling  | J. Bickerstaff—9 |
| 10—J. Daniels | P. McCluskey—11  |
| 12—M. Ramplin | P. Ramplin—13    |

Referee: J. Everett

## NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue and Sky Blue Bars

### 1—G. Curtis

- |              |               |
|--------------|---------------|
| 2—L. Plimmer | C. Cox—3      |
| 4—A. Wasley  | L. Dawson—5   |
| 6—R. Toby    | K. Wilson—7   |
| 8—G. Gibson  | A. Lobleby—9  |
| 10—D. Kay    | R. Johnson—11 |
| 12—C. Finn   | D. Tearle—13  |

Linesmen: W. Hardy (Blue), K. Bilton (Red)

## SOUTH NEWCASTLE

White, Red V

### 1—T. McNaughton

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|----------------|----------------|
| 2—C. Hassanoot | J. Lulham—3    |
| 4—A. Nerford   | K. Ticehurst—5 |
| 6—J. Laut      | B. Walton—7    |
| 8—C. Hartney   | G. Scott—9     |
| 10—A. Hedgson  | D. Gall—11     |
| 12—R. Cleaver  | M. Brennan—13  |

Referee: R. Keys

## WESTERN SUBURBS

Red and Green

### 1—C. John

- |               |                 |
|---------------|-----------------|
| 2—V. Cronin   | T. Murphy—3     |
| 4—R. Christie | N. Freund—5     |
| 6—P. Anderson | P. Attwood—7    |
| 8—G. Hamilton | K. Campbell—9   |
| 10—J. Cook    | K. Emerton—11   |
| 12—J. Arthur  | G. Broadhead—13 |

Linesmen: D. Malone (Blue), L. Vanderclay (Red)



# NEWCASTLE PREMIERSHIP

## First Grade

WARATAH-MAYFIELD 19 (S. Robinson, P. Wark, R. Wise, M. Scobie tries; R. Munro 3 goals, field goal) d MAITLAND 11 (G. Radnidge, G. Drury, R. Sneesby tries; K. Shine goal).

KURRI KURRI 32 (W. Scotman 2, W. Aoake 2, D. Henderson, J. Raper, J. Dial, J. Roach tries; N. Bagnall 4 goals) d CESSNOCK 10 (G. Boyd, B. Slade tries; G. Smallcombe 2 goals).

WESTERN SUBURBS 20 (G. Owen 2, P. Barnwell, D. Ward tries; K. Hemsworth 4 goals) d SOUTH NEWCASTLE 5 (J. Anderson try, goal).

CENTRAL CHARLESTOWN 4 (M. Boland 2 goals) d MACQUARIE UNITED 2 (S. Langsford goal).

LAKES UNITED 24 (R. Burgess 2, L. Gailey, M. Pauling, J. Brock, K. Swift tries; R. Burgess 3 goals) d NORTHERN SUBURBS 13 (S. Doran, R. Tunney, R. Devonshire tries; J. Mullard 2 goals).

**RESERVE GRADE:** Maitland 25 d Waratah-Mayfield 8; Cessnock 31 d Kurri Kurri 6; Western Suburbs 13 d South Newcastle 2; Central Charlestown 8 d Macquarie United 5; Lakes United 10 d Northern Suburbs 3.

**THIRD GRADE:** Maitland 14 d Waratah-Mayfield 5; Cessnock 19 d Kurri Kurri 0; Western Suburbs 19 d South Newcastle 2; Central Charlestown 6 d Macquarie United 3; Northern Suburbs 8 d Lakes United 5.