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Next Saturday's Fixtures

CENTRAL NEWCASTLE v. WARATAH - MAYFIELD.

EASTERN SUBURBS v. KURRI KURRI.

NORTHERN SUBURBS v. MAITLAND UNITED.

CESSNOCK v. SOUTH NEWCASTLE.

WESTERN SUBURBS v. MORPETH - EAST MAITLAND.

would seem to be every reason to expect football of the highest class on this occasion.

There is nothing wrong with the Rugby League code while football of the class supplied by these two teams in their meetings is provided. The thousands of fans who follow the game and recognise in it the greatest thriller of all out-door sports, are always ready to rise and cheer on their favourites provided the game is played in the proper spirit, and coaches insist on their teams sticking to the clean, open and spectacular style of play.

Though the rugged type of player has his admirers, there is no shadow of doubt that the public likes its thrills served up in a different manner, and if all coaches insisted on open play there would be no need to fear for the future of the game.

The success of Waratah-Mayfield, Central Newcastle, Western Suburbs, Northern Suburbs, and Cessnock has been gained only by adopting open football, and there is a world of wisdom in the words of a famous coach. He said: "I'll make all my teams, no matter whether they're school kids or Internationals, play the open game." And that is the whole secret of the game, and the outstanding brilliance of the teams abovementioned that brains and not brawn were the essential factors in Rugby League football.

NORTH NOTES

NORTHERN SUBURBS Club extend their congratulations to Waratah-Mayfield in winning the Minor Premiership. Although Saturday's game against Waratah was very hard, the North players are high in their praise of the sporting way in which the game was played.

Reserve Semi-Final

Northern Suburbs v. Cessnock

THE Reserve Grade Semi-Final will also be played between NORTHERN SUBURBS and CESSNOCK and should provide an interesting game for both sides will enter the field full of that confidence which is imbued by match-winning only, and we must also add that defeat means elimination, thus adding interest to the contest.

Here we have two teams mainly comprised of young players on the threshold of their football careers, added to which is a fair sprinkling of players of experience who have rendered yeoman service to their respective clubs.

In North's ranks we find W. HAWKE who has had experience with West Seniors, F. DENNETT, who has often played ably with his Senior side when occasion demanded, N. GRACE, a young player of undoubted ability, and BILL WHITE, the seasoned veteran who has been before the football public of Newcastle for many seasons.

In Cessnock's side we have W. WHITEHEAD, a full-back of great promise; MAHER, ACKERS and HALVERSON who have often displayed their wares with Cessnock Seniors, and there are quite a few youngsters who are having their first year in District football.

Taken altogether, the game will be one of those that please both spectators and players alike, for, crammed, as it will be with keenness, grim tackling, and speedy movements, it will set the blood tingling, and whet the appetite for the late game.

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RESERVE GRADE

FIRST SEMI-FINAL

Cessnock v. Northern Suburbs

Referee—A. SHIPWAY.

CESSNOCK

(Colors: Black, Gold V)

Full-back:

14—W. WHITEHEAD

Three-quarters:

17—M. HALVERSON

15—G. MAHER *15*

16—A. MURPHY

18—H. GEGETTA

Halves:

19—J. GOLDMAN

20—L. ACKERS

Forwards:

21—C. SCOTT

22—J. NORLEY

23—R. COLEMAN

24—W. PARSONS

26—A. COLEMAN

25—W. HITCHCOCK

NORTHERN SUBURBS

(Colors: Dark & Light Blue)

Full-back:

14—L. PAXTON

Three-quarters:

—M. RYAN

20—T. DENNETT

18—C. PARRY

15—C. GODBEE

Halves:

19—N. GRACE

—H. O'CALLAGHAN *19*

31—D. JONES

Forwards:

8—J. REID

23—A. MILLER

22—N. FRANKLIN

25—H. PASSMORE *25*

11—W. WHITE

11—A. WRIGHT

—J. MURPHY

26—J. McKENZIE

—S. BLUNDELL

17—K. SHEPHERD

28—H. HAWKE

Linesmen — R. HORDER and O. SMITH.