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Close Games Predicted in Finals

The 1986 NBN Carlton Breweries premiership has been full of interest throughout the season and the most open in recent years and should ensure that the finals will produce entertaining and close results.

Lakes United clinched the Minor Premiership with a convincing win, 32-6, over rivals Western Suburbs last Saturday. In doing so they scored some great tries in the first half and if they can maintain that form are entitled to favouritism to also take out the major title which they are defending.

One of the success stories of this season has been the performance of the young Central Charlestown side. Against South Newcastle last week-

end they turned a half time defeat of 22-6 into a 28-24 win to score their fourth win in as many games to challenge for the fifth position in the semi-finals.

The "Butcher Boys" are now in a great position to make the finals, but their moment of truth will be when South Newcastle play Kurri Kurri at Kurri on Saturday. A win for Kurri will ensure them of the fifth position however, if this result is reversed Central who play North on Sunday would take out the semi-final place with a win over the "Bluebags".

Macquarie United who have enjoyed one of their most successful seasons in recent years still hold faint hopes of forcing a play off to gain a semi-final position. To achieve this Macquarie would have to defeat Lakes in their last game and Kurri would have to be defeated by South and Central go down to North Newcastle.

The odds are certainly against Macquarie, however, results this season have at times been unpredictable and Macquarie will be hoping this continues.

Western Suburbs and Cessnock have clinched second and third place respectively and will play in the preliminary semi-final for the right to play Lakes United in the Major semi-final.

RESERVED GRAND FINAL SEATS AVAILABLE

Reserved seats in the gold section of the upper deck at the International Sports Centre will be on sale from Monday, 11th August for the grand final to be played on Sunday, September 14th.

Tickets are \$8.00 each and include admission to the ground.

Phone bookings can be made by phoning 2 5225 (during business hours) or can be purchased at the League Office, 17 National Park St., Newcastle West or the International Sports Centre.

South Newcastle Undefeated in Amateur League

South Newcastle have won the minor premiership in the inaugural amateur rugby league competition with one series remaining. South are undefeated on 22 points with University in second place on 18 points.

The semi-finals, final and grand final will be played as early fixtures to the grade games right through to the grand final.

Five teams have participated in this year's competition and indications are that it could be a ten team competition in 1987.

	W	D	I	P	A	P
South	11	0	0	230	46	22
University	8	0	3	226	138	18
NAB	5	0	6	154	258	10
Macquarie	4	0	7	122	120	8
Waratah	2	0	9	100	246	4

University 20 d All Blacks 12, Macquarie 20 d Waratah 16, South bye.

WARATAH TAKE OUT MINOR TITLE IN THIRDS

Waratah-Mayfield clinched the third grade minor premiership when they defeated Macquarie United last weekend. With one series remaining Waratah are on 30 points from 15 wins. The teams for and against is the most impressive of the three grades having scored 646 and conceding 112.

South Newcastle and Lakes United are in equal second position on 25 points with Western Suburbs in fourth position on 22.

Maitland's 34-20 win over Kurri Kurri last weekend have put them in fifth position and seem set to take the last semi-final position.

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

Sunday, August 10—2.45 p.m.

St. John Oval

Central Charlestown

Blue and white

Coach: John Anderson

- 1—ANTHONY FINN
- 2—CRAIG HAMMOND
- 3—CHRIS CROUSE (c)
- 4—EDWARD SMITH
- 5—LEON HAMMOND
- 6—GARY SIMMONS
- 7—STEVE FITZSIMMONS
- 8—WARREN SCHILLINGS
- 9—DAVID McDONNELL
- 10—BRAD RYAN
- 11—ANTHONY McDONNELL
- 12—CRAIG NEALON
- 13—GREG PRICE



SCRUMS

1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18

PENALTIES

1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18

Referee: K. Marker

North Newcastle

Royal blue and sky

Coach: Karl Hutchinson

- 1—WAYNE WALKER
- 2—DAVE ANDERSON
- 3—NICK O'BRIEN
- 4—TONY PICKIN
- 5—IAN MILLINGTON
- 6—MARK WRIGHT (c)
- 7—DAVID NEWTON
- 8—PETER WALKER
- 9—DAVE WILLIAMS
- 10—COL GIGGINS
- 11—TODD ANDERSON
- 12—MICHAEL RYAN
- 13—TOM PARKS



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Touch Judges: N. Mitchell (Blue), V. Wyborn (Red)

RESERVE GRADE

1.10 p.m.

CENTRAL CHARLESTOWN

Coach: Peter Strickleton

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| 1—Steve ROACH | |
| 2—Michael PITTOCK | Greg BARRY—3 |
| 4—Greg DODDS | Greg ADAMS—5 |
| 6—Glen JARRETT | Roley GORDON—7 |
| 8—Paul DUNLOP | David LINICH—9 |
| 10—Robert BRIGGS | Robbie WALKER—11 |
| 12—Greg HOUSTON | Peter STRICKLETON (c)—13 |

Referee: M. Walsh

NORTH NEWCASTLE

Coach: Mick Ryan

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| 1—Tony DODDS | Shane GARSIDE—3 |
| 2—Dave FLETCHER | Rick COLEMAN—5 |
| 4—Ron PAYNE | Ken FAIRHALL—7 |
| 6—Darren MAXWELL | John BLENKIRON—9 |
| 8—Peter PRESTON | Brett DANN—11 |
| 10—Pat MULLEN | Kevin ARMSTRONG—13 |
| 12—Steve TERRY | |

Touch Judges: R. Williams (Blue), N. Digby (Red)

THIRD GRADE

11.45 a.m.

CENTRAL CHARLESTOWN

Coach: Doug Gall

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| 1—Chris COOK | |
| 2—Rick MATTHEWS | Lee KLOUSIS—3 |
| 4—Greg MILTON | Paul CLAYTON—5 |
| 6—Chris COTTER | Stan DAVIES—7 |
| 8—Clayton CAMARDI | Scott McLURE—9 |
| 10—Terry DOLLING | G. HAWKE—11 |
| 12—Peter TUCK | Paul RYAN (c)—13 |

Referee: F. Kitcher

NORTH NEWCASTLE

Coach: Terry Dent

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| 1—Andy MANTON | Dale WALTON—3 |
| 2—Carl BLICK | Chris MEAD—5 |
| 4—Gary EVANS | Alan ARMSTRONG—7 |
| 6—Darren MEHAN | Phil HARRISON—9 |
| 8—Steve NEWELL | Ray KEATLEY—11 |
| 10—Guy YEE | Wayne HYDE—13 |
| 12—Peter TAYLOR | |

Touch Judges: T. Hardy (Blue), D. Ratcliff (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.

Bistro Bargains: \$3.00 All Meals
Best catering value in Hunter Valley!

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.

Phone 33 5377

NBN 3-CARLTON PREMIERSHIP

First Grade

SOUTH NEWCASTLE 30 (R. Jones 2, D. Morris, L. Rotumah, T. Keevill tries, L. Rotumah 3, M. Harp 2 goals) d KURRI KURRI 24 (S. Collingwood, T. Bender, K. Huxley, P. Hafey, P. Williams 4 goals).

WESTERN SUBURBS 24 (P. Webber 2, C. Dedman, M. Knight tries, M. Knight 4 goals) d CESSNOCK 18 (R. Whittaker, C. Cummings, R. Craig tries, M. Schofield 3 goals).

LAKES UNITED 30 (D. Grant, G. Hayward, M. Bates, D. Smith, M. Hanlon tries, D. Butler 3, R. Stone 2 goals) d MACQUARIE UNITED 12 (W. Crawford, A. Williams tries, W. Snowden 2 goals).

MAITLAND 21 (P. Allomes, C. Barclay, W. Clark tries, M. Finch 4 goals, drop goal) d WARATAH-MAYFIELD 8 (A. Lyddiard, G. Randall tries).

CENTRAL CHARLESTOWN 30 (A. Finn, T. Dolling, S. Fitzsimmons, D. McDonnell, G. Price tries, G. Price 5 goals) d NORTH NEWCASTLE 12 (W. Walker, M. Wright tries, T. Pickin 2 goals).

Reserve Grade

South Newcastle 38 d Kurri Kurri 12, Western Suburbs 62 d Cessnock 18, Lakes United 36 d Macquarie United 12, Waratah-Mayfield 34 d Maitland 18, North Newcastle 8 d Central Charlestown 0.

Third Grade

Kurri Kurri 14 d South Newcastle 10, Western Suburbs 10 d Cessnock 4, Lakes United 26 d Macquarie United 12, Waratah-Mayfield 20 d Maitland 12, Central Charlestown 20 d North Newcastle 0.