

# LEAGUE NEWS

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# NEWS FROM CLUBS

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NORTH'S reserve grade scored a very good win over the strong South side last week, showing their supporters the football they are capable of playing. Players to stand out were Ray Davis and Kerry Byers in the forwards, while in the backs Peter Watsford played his usual strong game and Jim Karnaghan capped off a fine performance by scoring two good tries.

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MAITLAND Club is very fortunate in having such capable men to assist in keeping their players fit as Hughie, Jack and Leon and we as a committee and the players owe them a great debt of gratitude.

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KERRY McDONNELL is pleasing Lakes United followers with top class games as reserve grade fullback. Kerry is still under 19 years and continuing improvement in each game indicates a bright future.

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MAITLAND senior league would like to take this opportunity to wish their Schoolboys League every success with their carnival tomorrow.

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KURRI Rugby League Lucky No. 14754 was won by Mrs. Aspinall of Kurri.

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BOB ADAMSON, West lively halfback in the senior team, has struck a real "purple patch" at present and this reflects in his inside backs improved showing against Waratah in last week's game. West, when in possession of the ball, looked very ominous and they have the players to score many tries. Bob himself seems to have thrown off any injury doubts there may have been about him and his many admirers are confident he will regain his "1970" form when he was considered the equal of any halfback in Newcastle.

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FORMER Maitland Rugby Union player, Graham Banister, has taken some time to adjust to League. However, on his game at Kurri last week it appears that the popular Graham will be a decided asset to the "Goannas" from here on.

LES "Peza" PERRY, West reserve grade winger, had a great game against Waratah last Saturday scoring five tries and kicking five goals, making a total of 25 points for the match. "Peza" in fact had an off day with his boot otherwise his tally could have been much higher. There would not be a more popular player in the club than Les and he has certainly proved himself to be a grand clubman since joining West two seasons ago.

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STRONG displays in recent games, stamps Lakes United winger Eric White as a representative prospect for the future. Eric graduated from Lakes juniors this season and after a mixed start has now settled down in first grade. His power packed runs are fast earning the respect of any opponent he meets.

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LAKES UNITED reserve grade hooker Mick Ramplin, is making a strong comeback after a serious operation earlier in the season. Mick is a most popular young "Seagull" who has had an interrupted career since graduating from the juniors a few seasons back and it is hoped that he can now settle down to give the ability he undoubtedly has.

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A BIG welcome back to Lakes United teams after injury to John Brock, Wayne Cooper and Ray Watterson. All potential first graders, these players add to the club strength and keep the pressure on those in first grade. It is good to see the club after possibly its most injury ridden season, at last gaining the strength club officials knew existed at the beginning of the year.

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PETER EDMONDS, the long service hooker with the Maitland Club, is playing great football and his excellent backing up resulted in a fine try last Sunday.

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ALAN CHALKER, former Newtown prop, is back in action after a few weeks' out with injury. "Big Al" celebrated his return with two crashing tries against Kurri that dampened the spirits of the vocal opposition critics. Keep it up big fella!

PLEASING to see Gary Broadhead, West up and coming front row forward in reserve grade, settling down to play the Rugby League the astute judges in the club expect. This young player is a product of West juniors and the experience he is gaining at present will stand him in good stead in years to come. He has however "two" very critical supporters in his father "Skip" and his uncle "Charger" and if he can keep them happy he will have no worries.

JAMES FINDLATER is playing good football with Macquarie and showing the potential of a couple of seasons experience in grade.

NORTH'S third grade side put up another good performance last weekend. The game resulted in a loss for the "Blues" but the way the entire team stuck to their task was something to admire. One player to stand out just a little above the others was lock-forward Alan Lobley. Until injured towards the end of the game, Alan was figuring strongly in both defence and attack.

FOR 30 years—and that's a pretty good record—Waratah trainer Reg Pratt has been the man responsible for getting players out on the field. Reg doesn't profess to be a muscle man but as a rubber, there isn't a better man in the business. In all his years with the club, Reg is adamant about the best player to ever come out in his time and that player is Ron Bailey. Seeing that "Blue" was once captain of Australia, Reg is a fair judge.

GOOD to see Bruce Hampton coming into Kurri reserve grade. Best of luck with your hooking.

GIVE him just a yard to move in and watch Waratah winger Robbie Hunt-go. It may take him a yard or so to warm up but at the end of 110 yards we are prepared to back Robbie in any company at all.

WHAT a performance last week from Waratah forward John Wilkes. In what could be termed as a player who played two full games, it was a fitting reward for John, who seemed unlikely at half time to continue, that he should go on and score a great try. This player, who has just moved into the forwards, from being a centre is easily one of the best prospects to come out of Waratah for a long time.

MAITLAND'S Graham Rollinson is again showing the form which was evident in the pre-season comp. and a continuation of same could see him in a higher grade.

JOE BRUGNONI makes his debut in first grade with Northern Suburbs this week. Joe, a junior player last season, has shaped up particularly well in grade football and it is no surprise to keen North followers that he is in the first grade line-up.

FRANK FISH, West first grade second row forward showed outstanding pace when he cleared out and left his rivals in a 50-yard dash to set up a try against Waratah. This try has been favourably compared to any seen at headquarters this season. Frank's ability to beat a man makes him a real "Danger Man" to any opposition, and it is players of his calibre that will keep his team, West, well in the running for premier-ship honours.

ONE of Cessnock's biggest gains is Verlie Brown, wife of Fred. As well as being a great barracker, Verlie takes time each week to bake delicious cakes that are used to raise much needed revenue. Thanks a lot Verlie for the cakes and for letting Fred come out each weekend.

KEN RYAN won the Young and Green award for his display with Macquarie reserves last week in their good win against Central.

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MAITLAND OVAL—3 p.m.

Saturday, June 24, 1972

## Maitland v. Northern Suburbs

### MAITLAND

Black and White

Full-back  
1—J. Carmody  
Three-quarters  
2—M. McTernan P. Dimond—3  
4—D. Newman M. Wright—5  
Halves  
6—G. Druery B. Burke—7  
Forwards  
8—T. Pannowitz M. McMahon—9  
10—R. Wawzkowicz G. Wilks—11  
12—P. Edmonds G. Radnidge—13

Referee: T. Gustard

### NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue and Sky Blue Bars

Full-back  
1—W. Scotman  
Three-quarters  
2—G. Crompton K. Sweetman—3  
4—M. Witcom G. Curtis—5  
Halves  
6—S. Farquhar R. Andrews—7  
Forwards  
8—P. Cox P. Beetson—9  
10—J. Brugnoni B. Russell—11  
12—D. Cassidy D. Nichols—13

Linesmen: K. Cartwright (Blue), F. Kitcher (Red)

## RESERVE GRADE — 1.30 p.m.

### MAITLAND

Black and White

Full-back  
1—K. Shine  
Three-quarters  
2—T. Llewellyn D. Andrews—3  
4—R. McKinnon K. Christiansen—5  
Halves  
6—A. West M. Boland—7  
Forwards  
8—L. Scott P. Healey—9  
10—G. Oldfield K. Pollard—11  
12—A. McNab P. Mullard—13

Referee: C. Sheather

### NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue and Sky Blue Bars

Full-back  
1—G. Jordan  
Three-quarters  
2—J. Karnaghan P. Watsford—3  
4—T. Price B. Bussell—5  
Halves  
6—V. Watsford R. Davis—7  
Forwards  
8—D. Davey R. Davis—9  
10—D. Greaves K. Byers—11  
12—B. Williamson J. Niszczoł—13

Linesmen: J. Archer (Blue), B. Godden (Red)



## CALTEX ASTRON

The  
MONEY SAVER

# THIRD GRADE

12.15 p.m.

## WESTERN SUBURBS

Red and Green

1—B. Warby

|             |                 |
|-------------|-----------------|
| 2—A. Wallis | C. Pritchard—3  |
| 4—P. Kachel | K. Campbell—5   |
| 6—B. Martin | J. Keysell—7    |
| 8—R. Dean   | S. Lawson—9     |
| 10—W. Mtn   | P. Maher—11     |
| 12—P. Walls | K. Partridge—13 |

Referee: R. Reid

## KURRI KURRI

Half Red Top, Half Blue Bottom

1—P. Johns

|                 |                |
|-----------------|----------------|
| 2—G. Cooper     | D. Mort—3      |
| 4—M. Hargraves  | M. Campton—5   |
| 6—Johns/Wanless | G. Muncaster—7 |
| 8—N. Moffatt    | S. Dunker—9    |
| 10—K. Johns     | A. Bailey—11   |
| 12—D. Anthony   | J. Moore—13    |

Linesmen: H. Horne (Blue), R. Milton (Red)

## CESSNOCK

Black and Gold

1—C. Bradley

|                 |                  |
|-----------------|------------------|
| 2—P. Mitchell   | R. Fowler—3      |
| 4—G. Banister   | R. Cameron—5     |
| 6—J. Lant       | S. McDonald—7    |
| 8—R. Thomas     | G. Reay—9        |
| 10—D. Clark     | R. McWilliams—11 |
| 12—F. Nicholson | B. Peek—13       |

Referee: J. Smith

## CENTRAL CHARLESTOWN

(Blue and White Hoops)

1—P. Carroll

|                    |                   |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| 2—G. Moore         | V. Morrison—3     |
| 4—G. Harrison      | R. Bailey—5       |
| 6—G. Marshall      | J. Davidson—7     |
| 8—J. McMurtrie     | Gardiner/Murray—9 |
| 10—Fairelough/Webb | J. Luxford—11     |
| 12—J. Bracken      | D. Gall—13        |

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

## MAITLAND

Black and White

1—K. Cousins

|                 |                |
|-----------------|----------------|
| 2—D. Horn       | B. House—3     |
| 4—G. Walters    | F. Kowalczyk—5 |
| 6—W. Gleeson    | G. Rollinson—7 |
| 8—P. Williams   | L. Moffat—9    |
| 10—G. Grainger  | G. Marquet—11  |
| 12—R. Partridge | K. Bolton—13   |

Referee: D. Bolewski

## NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue and Sky Blue Bars

1—D. Lowe

|              |                |
|--------------|----------------|
| 2—J. Wood    | D. Steele—3    |
| 4—R. Toby    | K. Grainger—5  |
| 6—S. Neal    | G. Elliot—7    |
| 8—A. Lobley  | P. Gray—9      |
| 10—R. Benson | M. Richards—11 |
| 12—T. Malone | J. Hattam—13   |

Linesmen: J. Archer (Blue), B. Godden (Red)

## LAKES UNITED

Blue and Gold, Black Shorts

1—R. Turner

|             |                 |
|-------------|-----------------|
| 2—J. Howard | H. Small—3      |
| 4—M. Walker | A. King—5       |
| 6—A. Small  | M. Smith—7      |
| 8—W. Izzard | L. James—9      |
| 10—J. Brock | A. Johnstone—11 |
| 12—F. Adams | B. Hourigan—13  |

Referee: D. Crich

## WARATAH

Gold, Maroon V

1—L. Munro

|                |                 |
|----------------|-----------------|
| 2—D. Martin    | S. Martin—3     |
| 4—W. Smith     | B. Frith—5      |
| 6—B. Hicks     | J. Toohey—7     |
| 8—D. Shields   | N. Dawson—9     |
| 10—F. Mullaney | W. Burgess—11   |
| 12—T. Henshaw  | W. Donaldson—13 |

Linesmen: G. Benson (Blue), J. Maddison (Red)

## SOUTH NEWCASTLE

White, Red V

1—T. McNaughton

|                |               |
|----------------|---------------|
| 2—N. Hugo      | G. Marshall—3 |
| 4—R. Vitnell   | W. Krum—5     |
| 6—R. Longworth | B. Walton—7   |
| 8—N. Seobie    | J. Murdoch—9  |
| 10—M. Maynard  | G. Graham—11  |
| 12—P. Harper   | D. Negline—13 |

Referee: R. Brownlee

## MACQUARIE UNITED

Green and Gold Bars, Black Shorts

1—T. Timms

|                  |                   |
|------------------|-------------------|
| 2—G. Matthews    | R. Fowell—3       |
| 4—A. Benson      | W. Ping—5         |
| 6—N. Thompson    | P. Christiansen—7 |
| 8—T. Redman      | P. Burgess—9      |
| 10—R. Stephenson | P. Hunt—11        |
| 12—G. Heaton     | B. Robinson—13    |

Linesmen: K. Bilton (Blue), J. Thornton (Red)