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MARLBORO COUNTRY



NEWS FROM CLUBS

PAUL GILFEATHER, West reserve grade fullback, again showed his class. His determination in both attack and defence makes him a real solid last line of defence. His try last Saturday came at a time when all looked lost for his team. Good on you "Big Feather".

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PETER PERKINS, West winger really showed his critics last week against Lakes, scoring three tries. However the "dummy" he threw to score one of them was magnificent. While Peter continues to play in this fashion he must keep his place in the senior team.

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RON "Buster" DAVIS has shown in recent weeks that his selection in North's first grade team was a master stroke on the part of the selectors. Ron's game has improved steadily each week and he is at present playing top class football. Keep up the good work Ron.

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RANDALL SMITH unfortunately fractured his wrist while playing last weekend. Randall's injury temporarily breaks up Lakes United's playing brothers combinations. His brother Malcolm also plays in Lakes thirds along with Alan and Harry Small, while Nigel and Kerry represent the McDonnell family in first grade.

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LAKES UNITED club look set for another great end of season trip. Active secretary Milton Mayberry, has arrangements well in hand for a visit to none other than the "Seagulls" club at Tweed Heads. With such a fine bunch of youngsters in the club the weekend looks at this stage to be as successful, as any yet taken and do much toward spreading the good name of Lakes United and Newcastle Rugby League.

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ONE of the most popular and efficient men behind the scenes with South's is trainer Vince Cronin. A former representative player, Vince, apart from caring for players injuries etc., can also give a quiet word of advice when required and his opinions are well represented.

GARY WHITE, West winger who by kicking the vital goal in West reserves close win over Lakes United last Saturday proved himself to have nerves of steel or ice flowing in his veins—so casual was he. This young player's game has steadily improved and it would not surprise to see him become a top liner in the club particularly with the added asset of goal kicking.

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RON BELL is noticed each week playing strongly in his lock position in reserves. Ron is working hard and assisting the team along its way to the semi finals.

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CONGRATULATIONS to John Anderson who last Saturday carried his personal tally of points for the season past the century mark. Apart from his goal-kicking, John's frequent joining in the three-quarter line has resulted in several tries. A product from the juniors he has proved a most valuable asset for South's.

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MARK MAYNARD is continuing his good form in South's lower grades and his effort at Cessnock last week was excellent. A young player having his first season in grade, Mark seems assured of a long career in Rugby League.

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IT'S good to see another one of our Kurri Juniors, Ian O'Brien, playing so well. Keep it up and push the boys in top grade for their positions.

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AT the start of the season it seemed as if Derek Bond from Waratah would be just another reserve grade footballer, always on call, yet just a step away from the big time. But things changed in a big way for Derek. He has accepted his chances in no uncertain manner and it is going to take a very good player to oust him from the top grade.

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A VERY pleasing return to football and playing well after a serious injury this year is Kurri's reserve grade hooker Bruce Hampton. Keep it up Bruce.

THERE'S an old saying: "You never know what a player can do till you give him the opportunity". Take Waratah's hooker Ken Wright for instance. He simply came to us with a goal in mind to be given a chance in first grade. Ken has made it and points in player awards last week was a fitting tribute to his fine game.

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WEST first grade front row forward John Cook, realised a secret ambition last week against Lakes—that was to play first grade with West and as a double bonus to play against Lakes and beat them. John was denied the opportunity to do this until this year, and he grabbed it with both hands.

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WHAT a big game from Waratah lock forward Steve Robinson last week. Steve is one of the most likeable players to ever come through Waratah juniors. He will be with the 'Tahs for years to come, because he is one of the few players around these days who puts club loyalty before financial rewards.

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TONY McHUGH is a versatile player to say the least. Over the past few weeks he has played everywhere in the back-line except fullback. In case it is not known, Tony was a top class halfback in juniors, and after his display last week, it's no wonder he was one of the best juniors produced by Waratah.

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MACQUARIE UNITED will hold a Cabaret on Saturday, July 22 as guests of Toronto Workers' Club to honour Owen McGrath being the first Macquarie official to be elected to an executive position of the N.R.L.

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POWERFUL Cessnock winger Dennis Moore, recently announced his engagement to Miss Beverley Griffiths. Dennis is also the club's first grade leading try scorer, so all in all it's a great year for the former Nulkaba junior.

NORTH'S third grade side had another convincing win last weekend. The win was due in no small way to the efforts of fullback Darrel Lowe whose personal tally was 14 points, bringing his total for the season to 91 points. All North's players and supporters wish him luck in today's game and hope that he passes the century mark.

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NORTH'S reserve grade side were a trifle unlucky in the fixture against Kurri last week. There was very little in the game at the finish and it was pleasing to see how the players stuck to their task. Players to stand out were Dallas Davey and Joe Niszczot in the forwards and Viv. Watsford and Mark Witcom in the backs. Mark finished off the day by scoring a runaway try in the first grade when he was called on as a replacement.

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ALLAN DREW showed good form for Macquarie against Waratah last week. A former Balmain player, Allan is now settling into the Newcastle style of football.

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CONGRATULATIONS to Kurri Rugby League winger Greg Cairns, a product of our minor and junior League on his first grade debut last week, Greg scored a try against North.

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JUNIOR "Goanna", Warwick Lidbury, has reached the final 60 N.S.W. under 16 players who will fight for the 30 places in the Australian side to go to England later this year. All Cessnock supporters will be keeping their fingers crossed when Bert's boy plays at Queanbeyan.

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GOOD to hear that Cessnock committee man John Lowe, recently was presented with his first daughter by his wife Jeannette. Club officials have criticised John as we need footballers but John has promised that she'll be a supporter.

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NEWCASTLE LEAGUES CLUB

ATTENTION MEMBERS

Saturday 15th: Cabaret commencing at 8 p.m. with the John Chidgey Group.

Sunday 16th: 10.30 a.m. K.O. Snooker Tournament, good prizes; 8 p.m., Film, drama.

Wednesday 19th: Inter-club Snooker competition in A and B Grade.

Thursday 20th: Mixed Bowls competition, draw for partner 7.45 p.m.

NCLE. SPORTS GROUND—3 p.m.

Saturday, July 15, 1972

Northern Suburbs v. Western Suburbs

NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue and Sky Blue Bars

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

Referee: K. Marker

WESTERN SUBURBS

Red and Green

Full-back	
1—G. Spruce	
Three-quarters	
2—V. Poudziunas	G. Banks—3
4—D. Kimmorley	P. Perkins—5
Halves	
6—K. Hardy	R. Adamson—7
Forwards	
8—P. Howlett	G. Cook—9
10—F. Fish	J. Cook—11
12—A. Dagwell	W. Loades—13

Linesmen: J. Walker (Blue), H. Nash (Red)

RESERVE GRADE — 1.30 p.m.

NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue and Sky Blue Bars

Full-back	
1—G. Jordan	
Three-quarters	
2—D. Salisbury	D. Steele—3
4—P. Watsford	T. Price—5
Halves	
6—V. Watsford	N. Skelton—7
Forwards	
8—D. Davey	J. Brugnioni—9
10—R. Davis	M. Richards—11
12—B. Williamson	K. Byers—13

Referee: K. Barwick

WESTERN SUBURBS

Red and Green

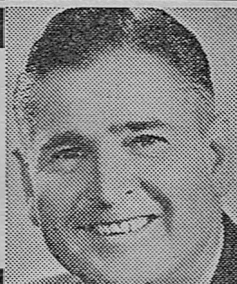
Full-back	
1—P. Gilfeather	
Three-quarters	
2—P. Cootes	M. McDermott—3
4—G. Owens	R. Davie—5
Halves	
6—G. Morrissey	P. Anderson—7
Forwards	
8—D. Rowston	K. Smith—9
10—W. Evans	G. Whitmore—11
12—S. Lawson	W. Mutu—13

Linesmen: G. Benson (Blue), T. Mowbray (Red)

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THIRD GRADE

12.15 p.m.

NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue and Sky Blue Bars

1—D. Lowe

2—I. Gardiner	P. Gray—3
4—M. Heskeith	J. Wood—5
6—R. Toby	G. Elliott—7
8—R. Crooks	R. Benson—9
10—B. Russell	D. Tearle—11
12—D. Greaves	E. Russell—13

Referee: R. Brownlee

WESTERN SUBURBS

Red and Green

1—B. Warby

2—G. White	A. Wallis—3
4—R. Dunstan	K. Campbell—5
6—L. Dagwell	J. Keysell—7
8—R. Dean	P. Kachel—9
10—P. Burt	P. Maher—11
12—P. Walls	K. Partridge—13

Linesmen: G. Benson (Blue), T. Mowbray (Red)

MAITLAND

Black and White

1—K. Cousins

2—G. Walters	B. House—3
4—F. Kowaleczuk	G. Millett—5
6—G. Clark	G. Rollinson—7
8—P. Williams	L. Moffat—9
10—G. Gilligan	B. Hall—11
12—E. Sponder	J. Meskanskas—13

Referee: D. Bolewski

SOUTH NEWCASTLE

White, Red V

1—T. McNaughton

2—N. Morgan	G. Marshall—3
4—J. Meehan	W. Krum—5
6—R. Longworth	B. Walton—7
8—G. Nicol	J. Murdoch—9
10—N. Seohie	G. Graham—11
12—M. Maynard	T. Scotman—13

Linesmen: L. Hardy (Blue), R. Milton (Red)

LAKES UNITED

Blue and Gold, Black Shorts

1—A. Small

2—A. King	H. Small—3
4—J. Shoebridge	J. Howard—5
6—M. Smith	G. Swancott—7
8—W. Lizzard	W. Johnston—9
10—S. Bartholomew	F. Adams—11
12—B. Mathews	L. James—13

Referee: D. Crich

CESSNOCK

Black and Gold

1—R. Johnston

2—R. Smith	J. Dever—3
4—G. Banister	R. Cameron—5
6—J. Lait	K. Whifton—7
8—W. Mowatt	R. Thomas—9
10—N. Heaton	R. McWilliams—11
12—F. Nicholson	B. Peck—13

Linesmen: H. Horne (Blue), J. Maddison (Red)

MACQUARIE UNITED

Green and Gold Bars, Black Shorts

1—T. Timms

2—R. Fowell	R. Carr—3
4—J. Lulham	S. Morrow—5
6—G. Fearney	P. Christiansen—7
8—D. Sharp	G. Drummond—9
10—B. Robinson	P. Hunt—11
12—G. Heaton	R. McDonald—13

Referee: J. Smith

KURRI KURRI

Half Red Top, Half Blue Bottom

1—P. Johns

2—W. Magee	R. Morley—3
4—M. Hargraves	G. Cooper—5
6—N. Wanless	D. Mort—7
8—P. Rouse	K. Johns—9
10—D. McDonald	A. Bailey—11
12—S. Buxfler	I. Ellis—13

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

CENTRAL CHARLESTOWN

(Blue and White Hoops)

1—J. McMurtrie

2—G. Walsh	J. Wallwork—3
4—V. Morrison	G. Moore—5
6—J. Davidson	W. Hancock—7
8—P. McNamee	D. Murray—9
10—G. Briggs	R. Simmington—11
12—W. Laughlan	J. Bracken—13

Referee: R. Reid

WARATAH

Gold, Maroon V

1—J. Toohey

2—R. Jackson	B. Pope—3
4—G. Curry	D. Martin—5
6—D. Brophy	B. Hoffman—7
8—P. Osborn	G. Maguire—9
10—F. Mullaney	T. Anthony—11
12—R. Bailey	B. Doyle—13

Linesmen: K. Cartwright (Blue), J. Leonard (Red)

NEWCASTLE PREMIERSHIP

First Grade

WESTERN SUBURBS 31 (J. Cook, G. Cook, D. Kimmorley, P. Howlett, F. Fish, K. Hardy, G. Spruce tries, P. Perkins 3, Hardy 2 goals) d **NORTHERN SUBURBS 2** (W. Scotman goal).

MAITLAND 17 (R. Wawszakowicz, M. Wright, B. Burke tries, Burke 4 goals) d **SOUTH NEWCASTLE 10** (R. McDermott, J. Adamson tries, J. Anderson 2 goals).

MACQUARIE UNITED 24 (D. Riding 2, D. Timms, R. Wrightson, D. O'Neill tries, K. Tommerup 2, O'Neill 2 goals, B. Landi field goal) d **KURRI KURRI 18** (A. Williams, K. Myers, R. Hensby, G. Johns tries, G. Collins 3 goals).

CESSNOCK 28 (W. Jobson, L. Clifton, M. Goldman, R. Thomson, L. Hannah, R. Austin tries, Hannah 5 goals) d **LAKE UNITED 19** (E. White 2, N. McDonnell, K. McDonnell, L. Gailey tries, R. Burgess 2 goals).

WARATAH-MAYFIELD 15 (T. Sergeant, D. Day, R. Hunt tries, R. Munro 3 goals) d **CENTRAL-CHARLESTOWN 10** (P. Herowitz, T. Shepherdson tries, S. Cotton 2 goals).

RESERVE GRADE: Western Suburbs 38 d **Northern Suburbs 5**; Maitland 31 d South Newcastle 16; Macquarie United 18 d Kurri Kurri 11; Lakes United 14 drew with Cessnock 14; Waratah-Mayfield 13 d Central-Charlestown 12.

THIRD GRADE: Western Suburbs 12 d **Northern Suburbs 11**. Maitland 18 d South Newcastle 3; Macquarie United 10 d Kurri Kurri 8; Lakes United 12 drew with Cessnock 12; Central-Charlestown 45 d Waratah-Mayfield 10.