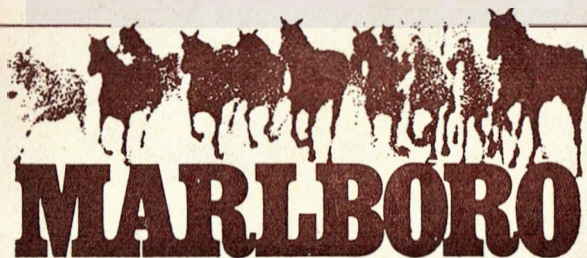


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**FOLLOW THE NBN 3 MARLBORO
PLAYER OF THE YEAR ON SPORTS REPORT**

NEWS FROM CLUBS

TWO under 19 players giving Macquarie good service last week were P. Dunshea in third grade and T. Turner in reserve grade. Both these lads have a big future ahead of them.

ON behalf of the Committee and players, we congratulate Maitland utility player Glen Preston on reaching his century of points for the season.

PAUL SLATTERY, promising young West three-quarter, is in the centre position for today's all important clash with Maitland. As usual this game will be a closely contested match and no doubt Paul's game could be most important toward the final result of this game.

BAD LUCK struck last week for Kurri's young winger David Henderson, when he had his jaw broken in two places in the game against Cessnock. David has been playing first class football for the "Bulldogs" and the whole of the camp wish him a speedy recovery.

THE winning try scored by "Bulldog" Jeff Roach against Cessnock, has been the talk of the town. Heard a lot of comments from several oldies who claim it one of the best tries scored on Kurri ground. Great effort Jeff, one to remember.

NORTHERN SUBURBS Club is most fortunate in having the services of trainers Jim Price, Kerry Gilchrist and Teddy Hayden to look after the aches and pains of the troops with a minimum of fuss. Keep up the good work boys.

CONGRATULATIONS from the Kurri club to "Bulldog" Kevin Myers, on playing his 100th first grade game with the club against Cessnock. Big "K" celebrated the match by turning in a first class display, giving the Cessnock defenders a ton of trouble whenever he received the ball.

CONGRATULATIONS are in order for Maitland flyer Rod Sneesby who was last weekend the winner of the footballers sprint. Well done Rod, who incidentally, wishes every weekend could be as profitable.

IAN BELL, West reserve grade fullback, no doubt will hope to have a good match to vindicate the faith the selectors have in him. Ian has all the trademarks of a good fullback—safe hands, sound defence and a very trusty boot and his ability to pass the ball in any direction when under pressure makes him a solid player indeed.

TWO more South youngsters have given every indication of making the grade since they were elevated to first grade, namely George Harvey, fullback, and Geoff Robinson, lock. Both had fine games against West last week. Further congratulations to George for during this match he attained his 100 points for the season—not bad for a young fella!

Mr. C. Campbell, of 411 Warners Bay Road, Charlestown, was the winner of the Clock/Radio for North's raffle on Sunday 28/7/74. Ticket No. 5000.

ALL South players wishing to participate in the end of season trip are asked to contact fullback John Anderson as soon as possible.

AFTER a late entry to the game this season, Hubert Geissler of the Maitland Club looks as though he has gained a permanent spot with the club, and has filled in many playing positions, all with great efforts.



● ALLAN JONES
Ex North hooker now playing with Central

TRIO of former Kurri Juniors continuing to play good all-round football in Kurri thirds and reserves are Neil Stoker, Wayne Cardow and Ross Nugent. These boys are improving each game and will make their presence felt in the near future.

DOING a fine job with South's 2nd Division is Gary "Blue" Stephenson. Gary's enthusiastic coaching has his team in a prominent position on the points table. Last week when resting an injury, Gary decided to play during the second half when defeat for his team seemed certain. Needless to say South won.

A WIN today for the Pumpkin Pickers seniors is most vital for our semi position, and we have great confidence in Terry and the players to come through with flying colours.

THE return of Peter Cootes in third grade will create a great deal of interest as he has the reputation in the past of being the top attacking winger in the entire Newcastle district and no doubt all Rugby League followers will wish him well and also if he regains his form, he will put a lot of pressure on the wingers above him.

CONGRATULATIONS to the Kurri and Cessnock first grade sides on terrific games at Kurri last week, thoroughly enjoyed by the large crowd. A mighty effort by John Raper and his "Bulldogs", notched two tries in the last five minutes to give Kurri the two points.

POPULAR "Goanna" Gordon Bradley, reached his 100th first grade mark when he played against Kurri last week. Gordon is the type of lad who will become another member of our 200 games club in a few years time.

BRIAN SLADE, former "Dragon" turned "Goanna", plays his 150th first grade game with Cessnock today. The former St. George player has proved to be a great asset and his automatic Life Membership will please his many fans.

SOUTH players and officials wish a speedy recovery to stalwart and Life Member Frank Mahoney from his recent illness.

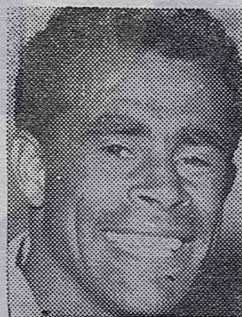
THE winner of the North's Supporters' Club weekly award was won by Bruce Williamson, first grade hooker, for a good all-round display against Lakes United.

FAMILIAR face for a number of years on the Hopetoun St. gate at the Kurri ground is that of Mrs. Burns. Always reliable, Mrs. Burns carries out her job in a most competent manner and the Kurri club appreciates this effort.

FULL marks to Cessnock selectors Nev Andrews and Fred Brown for a great job this year. They have done their difficult task without fear or favour as all good selectors do. Thanks, chaps.

DOUG NEWMAN is also another player who is resuming in today's third grade team after suffering a broken leg early in the season. Fit and well, Doug will fit in well no matter what grade he is selected in.

CONGRATULATIONS to South winger Trevor Williams, who ran second in the footballers' sprint championship at Beaumont Park last Friday night.



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WICKHAM OVAL—3 p.m.

Sunday, August 4, 1974

Northern Suburbs v. Central-Charlestown

NORTHERN SUBURBS

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

Fullback:

1—J. Mullard

Three-quarters:

2—R. Tenney G. Harrison—3

4—S. Doran G. Mason—5

Halves:

6—J. Campbell R. Andrews—7

Forwards:

8—C. Strutt P. Beetson—9

10—G. Briggs B. Russell—11

12—B. Williamson E. Russell—13

Referee: J. Geddes

CENTRAL-CHARLESTOWN

Blue and White Hoops (Coach: K. Maddison)

Fullback:

1—K. Szadzanoff

Three-quarters:

2—S. Piper A. McHugh—3

4—J. Szadzanoff A. Young—5

Halves:

6—M. Boland R. Fuller—7

Forwards:

8—P. Cox G. Dagwell—9

10—K. Maddison D. Nichols—11

12—A. Jones R. McBain—13

Linesmen: W. Milton (Blue), H. Nash (Red)

RESERVE GRADE — 1.30 p.m.

NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue and Sky Blue Bars

Fullback:

1—D. Boyle

Three-quarters:

2—T. Price D. Steele—3

4—B. Bussell P. Upton—5

Halves:

6—S. Dann R. Davis—7

Forwards:

8—P. Newton D. Kay—9

10—A. Lobley C. Finn—11

12—J. Nyland J. Dubyk—13

Referee: B. Schofield

CENTRAL-CHARLESTOWN

Blue and White Hoops

Fullback:

1—H. Small

Three-quarters:

2—W. Hodge W. House—3

4—T. McGregor R. Johnson—5

Halves:

6—S. Morris S. Cotton—7

Forwards:

8—D. Davey P. Eulo—9

10—S. Poulton D. Maddison—11

12—T. Prince P. Donehue—13

Linesmen: R. Milton (Blue), N. Digby (Red)

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THIRD GRADE

12.15 p.m.

CESSNOCK

Black and Gold

1—J. Shoesmith

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|---------------|----------------|
| 2—A. Mills | J. Ross—3 |
| 4—L. Walls | R. Smith—5 |
| 6—G. Banister | G. Kilmurray—7 |
| 8—T. Yates | C. House—9 |
| 10—B. Gilmore | F. Lennard—11 |
| 12—G. Goodwin | B. Peek—13 |

Referee: D. Bolewski

WARATAH-MAYFIELD

Gold, Maroon V

1—P. Wark

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|----------------|----------------|
| 2—W. Wilson | K. Wilson—3 |
| 4—T. Mathews | J. Ward—5 |
| 6—T. Thompson | B. Pepperall—7 |
| 8—B. Maloney | S. Grey—9 |
| 10—R. Robinson | I. Osborn—11 |
| 12—C. Dawson | H. Atkinson—13 |

Linesmen: R. Gottery (Blue), K. Bilton (Red)

WESTERN SUBURBS

Red and Green

1—C. John

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|-----------------|---------------|
| 2—P. Cootes | D. Newman—3 |
| 4—R. Christie | R. Dowse—5 |
| 6—A. Train | R. Darcy—7 |
| 8—G. Hamilton | K. Campbell—9 |
| 10—G. Broadhead | J. Cook—11 |
| 12—J. Arthur | G. Murnane—13 |

Referee: N. Dougherty

MAITLAND

Black and White

1—K. Cousins

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|----------------|----------------|
| 2—G. Preston | H. Geissler—3 |
| 4—M. Quinn | S. Shone—5 |
| 6—C. Lawler | K. Thomas—7 |
| 8—G. Hodges | J. Callaghan—9 |
| 10—J. Cook | R. Clarke—11 |
| 12—R. Chandler | B. Hall—13 |

Linesmen: L. Vanderclay (Blue), W. Hardy (Red)

LAKES UNITED

Blue and Gold, Blue Shorts

1—R. Smith

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|---------------|---------------|
| 2—R. Nash | A. Nickalls—3 |
| 4—N. Gaudion | B. Liddbury—5 |
| 6—S. Hull | N. Hincks—7 |
| 8—G. Smith | J. Daniels—9 |
| 10—P. Cowling | G. Heaney—11 |
| 12—M. Ramplin | P. Ramplin—13 |

Referee: J. Everett

SOUTH NEWCASTLE

White, Red V

1—P. Watsford

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|----------------|-----------------|
| 2—R. McIntosh | T. McNaughton—3 |
| 4—J. Lulham | J. Johnson—5 |
| 6—J. Laut | B. Walton—7 |
| 8—A. Stamp | C. Hartney—9 |
| 10—A. Hodgson | R. Cleaver—11 |
| 12—R. Thornton | M. Brennan—13 |

Linesmen: P. Evans (Blue), A. McLennan (Red)

NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue and Sky Blue Bars

1—R. Toby

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|---------------|----------------|
| 2—J. McCarter | C. Cox—3 |
| 4—M. Hesketh | R. Trevena—5 |
| 6—N. Skelton | K. Wilson—7 |
| 8—G. Gibson | A. Wasley—9 |
| 10—C. Newton | M. Richards—11 |
| 12—J. Davey | B. Nichols—13 |

Referee: C. Russell

CENTRAL-CHARLESTOWN

Blue and White Hoops

1—A. Neadar

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|---------------|---------------|
| 2—J. Pickford | M. Grant—3 |
| 4—M. Carrol | D. Bowe—5 |
| 6—G. Marshall | W. Hancock—7 |
| 8—G. Sedden | W. Kirk—9 |
| 10—N. Hughes | D. Ives—11 |
| 12—B. Leary | J. Luxford—13 |

Linesmen: R. Milton (Blue), N. Digby (Red)

KURRI KURRI

Royal Blue, Red and White V

1—J. Flannagan

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|---------------|-----------------|
| 2—K. Dawes | G. Cairns—3 |
| 4—N. Wanless | R. Morley—5 |
| 6—R. Eastwood | N. Stoker—7 |
| 8—W. Cardow | R. Liddell—9 |
| 10—D. Booker | I. Ellis—11 |
| 12—B. Hampton | P. Hindmarsh—13 |

Referee: R. Keys

MACQUARIE UNITED

Green and Gold, White Shorts

1—G. Channing

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|-------------------|----------------|
| 2—M. Clary | P. Deaves—3 |
| 4—R. Fowell | M. Conway—5 |
| 6—P. Ryan | R. Batterham—7 |
| 8—P. Christiansen | G. Thompson—9 |
| 10—D. O'Neill | G. Drummond—11 |
| 12—B. Heaton | G. Bunn—13 |

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

NEWCASTLE PREMIERSHIP

First grade

WESTERN SUBURBS 18 (J. Monie 2, P. Slattery, P. Howlett, M. Trypas, M. Goldman tries) d MAITLAND 10 (A. West, K. Shine tries; Shine 2 goals).

CESSNOCK 21 (D. Moore 5 tries; G. Smallcombe 3 goals) d WARATAH-MAYFIELD 13 (K. Lantry, R. Munro, P. Lawrence tries; Munro 2 goals).

MACQUARIE UNITED 17 (B. Landi, R. Lanigan, B. Moore tries; Lanigan 4 goals) d KURRI KURRI 15 (W. Scotman, N. Boyes, J. Roach tries; N. Bagnall 3 goals).

NORTHERN SUBURBS 24 (J. Campbell 2, P. Beetson, J. Mullard, R. Andrews tries; Mullard 4 goals, Andrews field goal) d CENTRAL CHARLESTOWN 20 (R. Fuller, A. Jones, R. McBain, D. Nichols tries; M. Boland 4 goals).

SOUTH NEWCASTLE 16 (G. Marshall, T. Williams, G. Robinson, R. Griffiths tries; G. Harvey 2 goals) d LAKES UNITED 8 (R. Burgess, D. Gardiner tries; Burgess goal).

RESERVE GRADE: Maitland 8 d Western Suburbs 0; Cessnock 35 d Waratah-Mayfield 8; Macquarie United 20 d Kurri Kurri 14; Central Charlestown 15 d Northern Suburbs 0; South Newcastle 17 d Lakes United 11.

THIRD GRADE: Western Suburbs 10 d Maitland 9; Cessnock 17 d Waratah-Mayfield 5; Macquarie United 26 d Kurri Kurri 5; Northern Suburbs 17 d Central Charlestown 0; Lakes United 7 d South Newcastle 0.