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## NEWS





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## NEWS FROM CLUBS

SOUTH officials are already looking forward to the advent next year of three talented Juniors to grade ranks. Coach Barry Lawrence of our under 19 side, reckons that Johnny Scott, Paul Merlo and Richard Mawson will make the grade and play first grade next season. Best of luck for these youngsters.

CONGRATULATIONS to the "Scorpions" on winning all three games against the "Bulldogs" at Kurri last week.

KEN WILSON, Northern Suburbs third grade half, was the winner of the Supporters' Club weekly award for a fine all round effort against Central-Charlestown.

PAUL SLATTERY, promising young West threequarter, fills in today as West fullback in place of Keith Hemsworth, who is out through injury. Paul has proved to be quite versatile and no doubt he is equal to the task and the position should give his attack play full scope.

A BIG welcome to Lakes United for Gary Faber. Gary recently moved in his employment from Lithgow where he played first grade for both Workers and Portland in recent seasons.

NO club has better supporters than the Bradstreet Bros., Boy and Tom. Both are key members of the "Goanna". Supporters' Club, which is doing a great job. Every week they donate sizeable monetary awards to first and third graders for the best players in these games. Thanks, fellows.

NEWCOMER to the Kurri third grade side of late is Roy Eastwood. Roy has been playing good football for the "Bulldogs" and has fitted in very well with all the boys. We welcome you Roy and hope you become a regular "Bulldog".

THE red hair of Kurri reserve grade forward, Glen "Chalky" Willets, was very prominent on Saturday. Glen turned in a tireless display in both attack and defence and maybe is a little unfortunate in having players like Neville Boyes and Jeff Roach holding him back in reserve grade. Stick with it Glen.

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KURRI first grade side was a little disappointing last week against Macquarie. Possibly a little jaded after the Cessnock encounter. We know you can do better fellas, so set your sights for the four remaining points, and congratulations to the Macquarie "Scorpions" on their treble at Kurri.

"GOANNA" committeeman, Ron Stothard, was presented with a son by his wife, Judy, last week. Brendan is the name of the future "Goanna". Congratulations Ron and Judy.

LAKES UNITED hooker Tony Shiels, returning from injury, plays his 100th first grade game this weekend.

GREG OWEN returns to the West first grade team today and no doubt his army of admirers will look to him for his usual game and that is to put great pressure on the opposition with his strong bustling runs from the outset. As one critic says, "He is the best young'un around".

WITH two games to play, this is Macquarie's best year since entering the Newcastle competition. First grade are in second place, reserve grade equal first and third grade are running third. With a little luck the "Scorpions" could have all grades in the semis.



#### RON MUNRO

Waratah fullback plays his 213th first grade game for the club today. He beats Bill Wyllie's long-standing record of 212.

POSSIBLY the most elated person last Sunday after South's first grade's tremendous win over Lakes United was coach Rex Elvin. Rex's enthusiasm and his methods of getting the players to lift their game shows that he is a coach of the highest calibre.

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ONCE again "Mr. Versatile" of the Maitland Club, Merv Wright, has been switched to the forwards and knowing Merv on the field of play, we can expect an excellent performance.

IT seems a mere formality for John ("Choco") Anderson to score the remaining two points to record his 100 points for the season in today's game against Central. John has been a great stalwart for South for years and South supporters will no doubt give him a great ovation when he accomplishes this feat which he has done many times for the Lions

THE winner of the clock/radio raffled by Northern Suburbs last Sunday was Mrs. A. Watsford, Gipp Street, Carrington.

KEN BLACKWELL returns to his favourite position, that of stand-off half, and no doubt he will be flat out to prove that he is what may keen critics claim, "the best stand-off half in the club".

RECENTLY returning to Lakes United teams after an enforced lay-off, Greg Heaney was noticed playing strongly last week.

CONGRATULATIONS to winger, Dennis Moore, on his five tries for the "Goannas" last week. The ball hasn't been getting to "Buck" much recently, but it must have seemed like an early Christmas last week. Do it again today, please.

WINNER of Kurri Ladies' Auxiliary Raffle at Macquarie game was Mrs. P. Edward of Pelaw Main. CONGRATULATIONS to Ross Bartle who shortly will complete his first season as timekeeper for South Newcastle. Ross has done a fine job in a position that is at most times hard to fill. See you next season Ross.

ON the injured list of the "Pumpkin Pickers" we have Rod Sneesby and we wish him a speedy recovery.

GRAHAM MURNANE, West third grade front row forward is playing against his old club Waratah and no doubt he will be flat out to show that he can play far better than his selection shows. His big runs and solid defence for a big man are his main attributes.

LAKES UNITED club thank all visiting players, officials and supporters who took part and helped to make their after home game functions such a huge success. Bigger and better ones next year.

"BULLDOG" reserve grade hooker, Jimmy Irving, very seldom fails to win the major share of scrums in a match. He combines this with good solid defence and good all round forward play. Keep it up Jim you will get your chance.

TWO under 19 players doing a good job for Macquarie last week were D. Fahey and P. Dunshea in third grade. J. Flett, also an under 19, had a good game in reserve grade.

TODAY in the third grade with Maitland we have a player from the under 18 ranks in Mark Hughes and we bid him welcome. Mark is a player of outstanding ability and was Newcastle's representative halfback this season.

KURRI Lucky Raffle No. 16543 was won by P. Andrew.

VERY pleasing to see Max McMahon of the "Pumpkin Pickers" leading in a competition conducted by the Press. Go to it Max, we hope you are the winner, one well earnt.

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### NEWCASTLE LEAGUES CLUB

#### ATTENTION MEMBERS

Saturday: 8 p.m. CABARET with the John Chidgey Group and guest artist. Sunday: 10.30 a.m. K.O. SNOOKER TOURNAMENT with good prizes, 8 p.m. MOVIE (please see notice board).

Auditorium open from 6 p.m. Snack Bar Meals and Bar service avaliable. Dining Room hours: 6.00 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. Saturday nights. Snack Bar hours: From 12 to 2 p.m. and 5.00 to 7.30 p.m. daily.

WICKHAM OVAL-3 p.m.

Saturday, August 10, 1974

## Northern Suburbs v. Kurri Kurri

#### NORTHERN SUBURBS

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

Fullback: 1-J. Mullard Three-quarters:

2-R. Tunney 4-G. Harrison

S. Doran-3 G. Mason-5

Halves: 6-J. Campbell

R. Andrews-7

Forwards: 8-C. Strutt 10—A. Lobley 12—B. Williamson

P. Beetson-9 G. Briggs-11 E. Russell-13

Referee: J. Smith

KURRI KURRI

Royal Blue, Red and White V (Coach: J. Raper)

Fullback: 1-N. Bagnall

Three-quarters: 2-W. Scotman

4-K. Myers

12-A. Williams

J. Glachan-3 N. Wanless-5

Halves: 6-R. Harris

J. Dial-7

Forwards: 8-J. Raper 10-J. Roach

N. Boyes-9 D. White-11 G. Marquett-13

Linesmen: H. Horne (Blue), F. Kitcher (Red)

### RESERVE GRADE - 1.30 p.m.

#### **NORTHERN SUBURBS**

Royal Blue and Sky Blue Bars

Fullback: 1-D. Boyle

Forwards:

Three-quarters: 2-R. Trevena

C. Cox-3 T. Price-5

4—B. Bussell 6-S. Doran

Halves: N. Skelton-7

8—G. Curtis 10—C. Finn 12—J. Nyland

D. Ray-9 B. Russell-11

R. Devonshire-13

KURRI KURRI

Royal Blue, Red and White V Fullback:

1-P. Carr

Three-quarters:

2-D. Rowse 4-M. Beesley

G. Sage-3 I. O'Brien-5

Halves: 6-R. Nugent

A. Rossiter-7

8-N. Moffatt 10-G. Willetts

Forwards: K. Callen-9

12-J. Irving

D. Booker-11 P. Hindmarsh—13

Referee: R. Reid

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Linesmen: N. Digby (Blue), W. Hardy (Red)

### **ABC SPORTING SERVICE**

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## THIRD GRADE

12.15 p.m.

NORTHERN SUBURBS Royal Blue and Sky Blue Bars  1—R. Toby  2—R. Warren  4—M. Hesketh 6—R. Davis 8—G. Gibson 10—A. Wasley 12—C. Newton  Referee: R. Keys  Linesn	KURRI KURRI Royal Blue, Red and White V  1—K. Dawes  2—I. Brown G. Cairns—3  4—J. Laing M. Hawkins—3  6—R. Eastwood G. Walpole—3  8—W. Cardow R. Liddell—9  10—T. Counsell I. Ellis—11  12—B. Hampton B. Liddell—13  nen: N. Digby (Blue), W. Hardy (Red)
	LAKES UNITED Blue and Gold, Blue Shorts  1—R. Smith  2—B. Lidbury A. Nickalls—3  4—P. Leader R. Nash—4  6—S. Hull N. Hincks—3  8—G. Smith J. Daniels—9  10—P. Ramplin G. Faber—11  12—M. Ramplin R. McDonnell—13  smen: R. Gottery (Blue), B. Mate (Red
Red and Green  1—C. JohnTour  R2—P. Barnwell  4—D. Newman  6—G. Train  8—G. Hamilton  10—R. Dean  12—K. Parkes  Red and Green  R. Christie—36-7  R. Dowse—57-7  R. Darcy—7  K. Campbell—97  J. Cook—11  G. Murnane—13  Referee: J. Everett  Linesn	WARATAH-MAYFIELD Gold, Maroon V  1—P. Radcliff  2—B. Briggs P. Wark—3 4—T. Mathews W. Wilson—3 6—D. Pepperal C. Dawson—3 8—B. Maloney G. Grey—9 10—G. Mannix L. Innes—11 12—M. Simm H. Atkinson—13 nen: R. Milton (Blue), K. Bilton (Red
MACQUARIE UNITED Green and Gold, White Shorts  1—P. Ryan  2—M. Clary  4—P. Deaves  6—W. Solomons  8—P. Christiansen  10—D. O'Neall  12—B. Heaton  C. Thompson—9  G. Drummond—11  J. Flett—13  Referee: N. Dougherty  Liness	CESSNOCK Black and Gold  1—J. Shoesmith  2—G. Hindmarsh  4—R. Smith  6—G. Banister  8—T. Yates  10—B. Gilmore  12—G. Goodwin  Men: R. Cadogan (Blue), W. Milton (Red
SOUTH NEWCASTLE White, Red V  1—P. Watsford  2—R. McIntosh T. McNaughton—3  4—A. Wheeler D. Agland—5  6—J. Laut B. Walton—7  8—C. Hartney S. Bower—9  10—A. Hodgson R. Cleaver—11  12—R. Thornton M. Brennan—13	CENTRAL-CHARLESTOWN Blue and White Hoops  1—K. Sazdanoff  2—D. Bowe M. Grant—3  4—J. Shoebridge R. Johnson—4  6—K. Allars T. Sazdanoff—7  8—G. Sedden W. Kirk—9  10—R. Nunn D. Ives—11  12—P. Hancock N. Hughes—13

Linesmen: D. Malone (Blue), L. Vanderclay (Red)

Referee: D. Bolewski

#### NEWCASTLE PREMIERSHIP

LAKES UNITED 20 (S. Proudlock 2, T. Shepherd, S. Booth, J. Brock, G. Golden, R. Burgess tries; Burgess 4 goals) d MAITLAND 15 (L. Drew, T. Kellett, M. Wright tries; Kellett 2, K. Shine goals);

KURRI KURRI 47 (N. Bagnall 3, N. Boyes 3, N. Wanless 2, W. Scotman 2, G. Marquett tries; Bagnall 7 goals) d NORTHERN SUBUKBS 3 (G. Harrison try).

WESTERN SUBURBS 29 (G. Skeers 2, P. Slattery, M. Trypas, N. Freund tries; P. Perkins 7 goals) d WARATAH-MAYFIELD 23 (M. Scobie, D. Bond, L. Young tries; R. Munro 7 goals).

CESSNOCK 30 (D. Moore 4, T. Kirk, B. Slade tries; G. Smallcombe 6 goals) d MACQUARIE UNITED 13 (S. Langsford, P. Jaques, D. Riding tries; Langsford 2 goals).

SOUTH NEWCASTLE 21 (T. Williams 3, G. Banks, D. Rowe tries; G. Harvey 3 goals) d CENTRAL CHARLESTOWN 11 (K. Powell, S. Piper, J. Sazdanoff tries; M. Boland goal).

RESERVE GRADE: Lakes United 30 d Maitland 20; Kurri Kurri 30 d Northern Suburbs 14; Western Suburbs 61 d Waratah-Mayfield 0; Cessnock 13 d Macquarie United 12; Central Charlestown 24 d South Newcastle 16.

THIRD GRADE: Maitland 36 d Lakes United 11; Northern Suburbs 34 d Kurri 6; Western Suburbs 36 d Waratah-Mayfield 0; Macquarie United 23 d Cessnock 5; Central Charlestown 13 d South Newcastle 11.