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Newcastle makes Caltex Country Championship Final

After two days of football played at Scully Park, Tamworth, Newcastle emerged as proud "Novocastrians" winning both their games in impressive fashion last weekend.

In very hot conditions on Saturday the strength and fitness of the Newcastle team was soon evident and they went on to qualify for the semi-final with a 37.0 nil win over North Coast. This score indicated the great defence by every player in the team.

Northern Rivers gained their place in the semi-final when they turned 18-4 defeat into a 24-23 win in extra time over Northern Division.

The semi-final on Sunday saw Newcastle start as firm favourites after their win on Saturday and with the crowd supporting Northern Rivers saw them in with a chance when they held Newcastle to six-all at half time, and had a strong wind advantage in the second half.

However, Newcastle was in for a try after only two minutes play and the result was never in doubt after this with the superior fitness of the Newcastle team standing them in good stead as their forwards took complete control of the game which enabled them to add 27 points to nil in the second half.

The effort put in by every player was commendable and congratulations should go to them and coach, John King, and all those involved with the representative team on their display. Many players should win places in the country teams as the season progresses.

CALTEX COUNTRY DIVISIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Northern Zone

NEWCASTLE 37 (P. Parsons 2, R. Whittaker, G. Murray, G. Eagar, P. Williams, C. Mathias tries; R. Stone 4 goals, P. Williams field goal) d NORTH COAST 0 at Scully Park, Tamworth.

NORTHERN RIVERS 24 (J. Fisher, L. Randall, T. Dinsey tries; G.

Ashton 6 goals) d NORTHERN DIVISION 23 (T. Murray, S. Howard, G. Carr, L. Baker tries; S. Pennyfather 3 goals, G. Carr field goal).

Playoff for third place:

NORTH COAST 20 (M. Paine 2, R. Morris tries; A. Scapbrook 4 goals) d NORTHERN DIVISION 14 (B. McGrady, L. Baker tries; S. Pennyfather 3 goals).

Final:

NEWCASTLE 33 (R. Taylor 2, G. Murray 2, P. Parsons, C. Mathias tries; G. Randall 3, P. Williams goals, G. Eagar field goal) d NORTHERN RIVERS 6 (G. Ashton try; goal).

Panasonic Cup game for Newcastle

A quarter final of the Panasonic Cup will be staged at the International Sports Centre on the 30th April, 1986.

The main attraction will commence at 7.30 p.m. with the Commonwealth Cup fixture being played as a curtain raiser.

The International Sports Centre ground will be floodlit for this occasion to night television standard with portable lighting being brought up from Sydney.

Reserve Grandstand seats are now available through the Bass network. Phone enquiries can be made on 26 4888.

Upper deck tickets are \$9 and \$8; lower deck selling at \$7.

Admission to the ground on the night will be: Adults \$4; Pensioners and Children \$1.

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NBN 3 — CARLTON PREMIERSHIP

Sunday, April 20—2.45 p.m.

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North Newcastle

Royal blue and sky

Coach: Karl Hutchinson

- 1—DARREN MEHAN
- 2—DAVE ANDERSON
- 3—NICK O'BRIEN
- 4—WAYNE WALKER
- 5—SHANE GARSIDE
- 6—PETER WALKER (c)
- 7—DAVE NEWTON
- 8—BRETT DANN
- 9—KEN LUMSDEN
- 10—DALE WALTON
- 11—TODD ANDERSON
- 12—STEVE TERRY
- 13—TOM PARKS



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Referee: K. Marker

Western Suburbs

Red and green

Coach: Paul Merlo

- 1—PHIL ELLIOTT
- 2—MITCHELL KNIGHT
- 3—TIM BUTLER
- 4—CRAIG DEDMAN
- 5—GLENN MURRAY
- 6—GREG EAGAR
- 7—CRAIG HIGGINS
- 8—LORN McDOUGALL
- 9—IAN McDOUGALL
- 10—BRETT NIXON
- 11—PAUL MERLO (c)
- 12—WAYNE NEWLING
- 13—JOHN FARRAR



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Touch Judges: R. Newton (Blue), R. Davis (Red)

RESERVE GRADE

1.10 p.m.

NORTH NEWCASTLE

Coach: Mick Ryan

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| 1—Darren MAXWELL | |
| 2—Ron PAYNE | Tony PICKIN—3 |
| 4—Bruce HASLAM | Rick COLEMAN—5 |
| 6—Ken FAIRHALL | Dave McCARTER—7 |
| 8—Col GIGGINS | Dave WILLIAMS—9 |
| 10—Ian MILLINGTON | Tom PATTISON—11 |
| 12—Peter TAYLOR | Mick RYAN—13 |

Referee: R. Haines

WESTERN SUBURBS

Coach: Steve Smith

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| 1—Wayne MOYLAN | |
| 2—Peter HILL | Michael FORT—3 |
| 4—Nick VANVELD | Brendan O'CONNOR—5 |
| 6—Peter DEDMAN | Grant SEMMLER—7 |
| 8—David ASHMAN | Greg HARRISON—9 |
| 10—Steve POWER | Guy KEENAN—11 |
| 12—Graeme RUSSELL | Steve COBURN—13 |

Touch Judges: T. Hardy (Blue), R. Newton (Red)

THIRD GRADE

11.45 a.m.

NORTH NEWCASTLE

Coach: Terry Dent

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| 1—Peter PRESTON | |
| 2—Chris MEAD | Mark EVERETT—3 |
| 4—Norm BENNETT | David FLETCHER—5 |
| 6—David MAHER | Allan ARMSTRONG—7 |
| 8—Steve NEWELL | Phillip HARRISON—9 |
| 10—John BLENKIRON | Wayne HYDE—11 |
| 12—David LAWRENCE | Ken ARMSTRONG—13 |

Referee: T. Hardy

WESTERN SUBURBS

Coach: Brendan Barber

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| 1—Jon HULBERT | |
| 2—Jeff KENNING | David SMITH—3 |
| 4—Tom QUINN | Michael BLAIR—5 |
| 6—Glenn FREW | Peter HAGGERTY—7 |
| 8—Ashley HARDES | Brendan BARBER (c)—9 |
| 10—Craig DODD | Pat FEGAN—11 |
| 12—Garry KEENAN | David HARLEY—13 |

Touch Judges: R. Haines (Blue), R. Davis (Red)

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NBN 3-CARLTON PREMIERSHIP

First Grade

SOUTH NEWCASTLE 29 (L. Rotumah, P. Coe, G. Squires, T. Keevill tries, L. Rotumah 6 goals, drop goal) d MACQUARIE UNITED 24 (M. Stortenbeker 2, J. Curtis, P. Snowden tries, W. Snowden 4 goals).

LAKES UNITED 54 (S. Drinkwater 4, M. Bates 2, R. Stone 2, T. Tuuckwell, F. Grant, R. Taylor, M. Sheehan, C. Mathias tries, S. Drinkwater 4 goals, R. Stone goal) d CENTRAL CHARLESTOWN 16 (G. Linich A. Finn tries, G. Price 4 goals).

WESTERN SUBURBS 52 (G. Murray 4, T. Butler 2, L. McDougall, C. Dedman, G. Eagar, M. Knight tries, P. Elliott 6 goals) d NORTH NEWCASTLE 3 (P. Walker goal, drop goal).

CESSNOCK 62 (A. Smith 2, R. Whitaker, J. Barr, B. Davies, P. Walker, J. Hunter, D. Woodbury, M. Watson, B. Starkey tries, M. Schofield 10 goals, B. Davies goal) d MAITLAND 6 (M. Burrows try, M. Threlfo goal).

KURRI KURRI 16 (G. O'Connor, P. Watson, M. Mate tries, P. Williams 2 goals) d WARATAH-MAYFIELD 12 (E. McGrady, S. Robinson tries, G. Randall 2 goals).

Reserve Grade

South 40 d Macquarie 6, Lakes 24 d Central 0, West 42 d North 8, Maitland 12 d Cessnock 10, Waratah-Mayfield 36 d Kurri Kurri 8.

Third Grade

South 22 d Macquarie 8, Lakes 22 d Central 20, West 22 d North 0, Cessnock 30 d Maitland 10, Waratah-Mayfield 22 d Kurri Kurri 6.