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FOOTY THIS WEEKEND??

We hope so. Saturated grounds and the unavailability of referees have given us a couple of weeks off that we didn't really want. But Round 5 is set to go and there are some good games.

Macquarie and Central provide the clash of the round on Monday (Anzac Day) at Toronto.

Both sides have probably lost the sharpness they had before the lay-

off but have good players that will shrug the inaction off and find their form as the game progresses. An even money bet this one.

Of the four Saturday games, the local derby, Maitland and Kurri, should be a beauty. Maitland Sports-ground will still be heavy and this could help the big Maitland pack. Comparing the sides man for man, the Bulldogs appear outgunned but Kurri have been playing well and will give the home side a good run for their money. An upset is a strong possibility.

Norths are at home to Souths at Passmore Oval and will be struggling on previous form.

Lakes go into their match against Western Suburbs at Harker Oval with a lot of confidence. A young side, playing well, Lakes will be eager to get back into action.

Wests badly need a win and have not as yet risen to their full potential. Maybe the Lakes youngsters can get them moving.

Waratah are at home to Cessnock at Waratah Oval. Waratah are another side that haven't yet shown the goods and Cessnock have been patchy. A heavy ground could turn this into a real forward battle with rep half Craig Higgins behind the Waratah pack a trump card that could give the home side the win.

REFEREES

If you have a Referees ticket and wish to join the new "Newcastle & District Referees Association" or if you want to get a Referees Ticket, call the Newcastle Rugby League office on 56 1322 and get the details.

Bicentennial Caltex Country Championships

A fine performance by our Newcastle representative team last weekend.

On Saturday, at Wauchope, Newcastle defeated Northern Division 24-16 on a very heavy ground.

On Sunday on a rain-soaked ground at Port Macquarie, the team won again, thrashing North Coast 44-8.

The team's efforts have been described as being dedicated and committed, coming from a very good football side.

Newcastle will now meet the winner of the Southern section of the Country Championships on the weekend of April 30/May 1. The Newcastle team coached by Ollie Prattl (Macquarie) and managed by Geoff Wright (Wests) is:

Todd Anderson, South Newcastle
Tony Amidy, Western Suburbs
Milton Burrows, Maitland
Mark Bates, Lakes United
Lindsay Bowne, Lakes United
Greg Eager, Maitland
David Hill, Macquarie United
Craig Higgins, Waratah-Mayfield
John Hunter (c), Cessnock
Paul Hazell, Macquarie United
Richard Jones, South Newcastle
Barry Loring, Western Suburbs
Tony McDonnell, Central Charles.
Col Mathias, Lakes United
Peter Parr, South Newcastle
Steve Sandland, Western Suburbs
Terry Stevenson, Macquarie United
Geoff Todd, Cessnock

Allen Williams, Macquarie United
Maitland prop forward Milton Burrows played his 25th game for Newcastle and in so doing automatically receives Life Membership of the Newcastle Rugby League. Milton joins champions of yesteryear — Don Schofield, Alan Thompson, Bob Horne and Alan Buman with his achievement.

Coaching Courses

The Newcastle Rugby League, through its Coaching Director Grant Bell, has recently conducted two Coaching Courses. Both were for the Level 1 Coaching Certificate of the Australian Rugby League and a total of 45 people attended.

One course was conducted at the I.S.C. and one at Hexham Bowling Club. The courses cover various aspects of play and the sectors of the course and lecturers are listed below.

Forward play — Peter Sharp (1988 Newcastle S. G. Ball Coach).

Back play and Coaching sessions — John Davies (Maitland).

Growth and Development — Roger Peters, Psychologist.

Role of Coach Mini and Mod football — Grant Bell, Director.

Refereeing — Tom Gustard, Ross Williams.

The League wishes to thank and congratulate Peter Ilfield for his efforts with the Courses. Peter left Newcastle after the courses started to take up the position of Director of Coaching with the Western Australian Rugby League.

The next Level 1 course is due to commence in May. All enquiries can be made to the Newcastle Rugby League on 56 1322.

NEWCASTLE RUGBY LEAGUE PREMIERSHIP

Saturday, April 23—2.45 p.m.

Passmore Oval

North Newcastle

Royal blue and sky

Coach: Ziggy Niszczot

- 1—PETER WILLIAMS
- 2—JAMES FLETCHER
- 3—DAVID STOWE
- 4—GREG CHRISTIANSEN
- 5—IAN LUCIETTO
- 6—TERRY DENT
- 7—DARRYL MAXWELL
- 8—MARK PAYNE
- 9—JERRY MAULA
- 10—DAVID STANFORD
- 11—BRUCE EDDON
- 12—PETER TAYLOR
- 13—BRETT DANN



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South Newcastle

Red and white

Coach: Paul Merlo

- 1—TIM VAUGHAN
- 2—PETER SLEAP
- 3—TIM BUTLER
- 4—PETER PARR
- 5—NORM SHEATHER
- 6—PHIL COLE
- 7—TOD DONALDSON
- 8—ROBERT ROUSE
- 9—BARRY PHELPS
- 10—PETER SAMS
- 11—TOD ANDERSON
- 12—RICHARD JONES (c)
- 13—PAUL GOODWIN



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RESERVE GRADE — 1.10 p.m.

NORTH NEWCASTLE

Coach: Peter Taylor

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| 1—Darren BARRETT | |
| 2—Dave STEVENS | Peter SULLIVAN—3 |
| 4—Steve RIDGEWAY | Mark JACKSON—5 |
| 6—Craig AFFLICK | Robert GOLDEN—7 |
| 8—Michael PRATER | Jeff WILSON—9 |
| 10—Paul KODELA | Brian SLADE—11 |
| 12—Neil HALL | Peter HARRISON—13 |

SOUTH NEWCASTLE

Coach: Chris Hartney

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| 1—Jim PENGILLEY | Rod WHITE—3 |
| 2—Des GODFREY | Brett MONLEY—5 |
| 4—Steve BARNES | Brad GUY—7 |
| 6—Steve ROBINSON | Paul REES—9 |
| 8—David FLEMING | Paul HILL—11 |
| 10—Les ROTUMAH | Peter JOY—13 |
| 12—David PRINGLE | |

THIRD GRADE — 11.45 a.m.

NORTH NEWCASTLE

Coach: Ray Keighley

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| 1—Shane BANKS | |
| 2—Mark SHERRIDAN | Mark ANDERSON—3 |
| 4—Darren STENLUND | Mark HARWOOD—5 |
| 6—Bill IZZARD | Bill LAMB—7 |
| 8—Michael PRASSER | Steven CLEAVER—9 |
| 10—Steve DEAN | Steven SAULT—11 |
| 12—Ray KEIGHLEY (c) | Chris SULLIVAN—13 |

SOUTH NEWCASTLE

Coach: Garry Banks

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| 1—Brad WEIR | |
| 2—Gerry DOUGLAS | Mark CROOKS—3 |
| 4—Nick O'BRIEN | Andy KLIIOUSIS—5 |
| 6—Jason McPHAIL | Declan DORAN—7 |
| 8—Shane BATTESE | Craig COMYNS—9 |
| 10—Jason BRAIN | Joe SMITH—11 |
| 12—Gavin SCOTT | Peter STRICKLETON—13 |



MAITLAND Leagues Club

Snack Bar open daily, noon to 2.00 p.m., 6.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.

Darcy Restaurant open Wed. to Sun. for Dinner.

Bistro Bargains: \$3.75 All Meals
Best catering value in Hunter Valley!

ATTENTION MEMBERS AND GUESTS

Tuesday: HOUSIE, 11 a.m., Main Auditorium.

Wednesday: HOUSIE, 7.30 p.m. Main Auditorium.

Thursday: SNOOKER COMPETITION, 8 p.m.

Friday: HOUSIE, 2.30 p.m., Main Auditorium. Non-Profit Raffle, drawn 6 p.m.

Sunday: Spectacular NON-PROFIT RAFFLE. Tickets on sale from 5 p.m. Drawn 6.30 p.m. Top prizes including electrical goods, travel goods, manchester, etc.

Phone 33 5377

First Grade

LAKES UNITED 18 (M. Bates, D. Harrington, B. Blake, P. Crowe tries, D. Butler goal) d WESTERN SUBURBS 10 (T. Morrison, S. Budden tries, B. Felshaw goal).

MAITLAND 40 (J. Hemson, L. Perry, P. Jones, W. Clarke, G. Winchester, C. Ballenden, B. Winkler tries, M. Winkler 6 goals) d KURRI KURRI 26 (S. Moy, P. Romaniuk, P. Williams, R. Madden, P. Sumner tries, P. Williams 3 goals).

SOUTH NEWCASTLE 72 (P. Cole 3, P. Parr 2, P. Sleep 2, T. Vaughan, T. Butler, N. Sheather, T. Anderson, D. Fleming tries, T. Vaughan 5 goals, P. Parr 5 goals) d NORTH NEWCASTLE 2 (B. Eddon goal).

CESSNOCK 26 (M. Schofield 2, J. Todd, C. Gibson, T. Bender tries, J. Hunter 3 goals) d WARATAH-MAYFIELD 22 (P. Haggerty 2, K. Pywell, S. Robinson tries, T. Picken 3 goals).

MACQUARIE UNITED 24 (D. Hill, A. Williams, M. Sullivan, P. Lockwood tries, P. Duncan 4 goals) d CENTRAL CHARLESTOWN 16 (G. Milton, W. Snowden tries, W. Snowden 4 goals).

Reserve Grade

Western Suburbs 40 d Lakes United 10. Maitland 36 d Kurri Kurri 6. South Newcastle 140 d North Newcastle 2. Cessnock 16 d Waratah-Mayfield 14. Central 52 d Macquarie 6.

Third Grade

Lakes United 26 d Western Suburbs 16. Maitland 32 d Kurri Kurri 14. South Newcastle 86 d North Newcastle 0. Waratah-Mayfield 34 d Cessnock 2. Central 30 d Macquarie 6.