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NEWS FROM CLUBS

CONGRATULATIONS to Ian O'Brien and Rod Findlay on their first performance in Kurri first grade. Hope you will keep it up.

SOUTH NEWCASTLE'S medic, Dr. Vince Dalton, is very popular with the teams but he has come in for a fair share of verbal drubbing following a recent ankle injury that has laid him up for a few weeks. Seems this Rugby League doctor received his injury playing Soccer. Shame on you Doc!

MAITLAND Committee have set a tentative date of July 13th for its Pumpkin Pickers Ball.

WEST first grade centre, Mike Mc-Dermott, had an outstanding game last week against South. Time and time again he set his team on the attack and he was easily his team's best threequarter. No doubt all his followers will be looking for a repeat performance in today's clash with North. Best of luck Mike from all at West.

IT was pleasing to see John Cootes in action again in first grade and though obviously just "feeling" his way, it seems like it is only a matter of time before he will be a vital link in his team's efforts for another "Rosella" victory in first grade premierships.

A HAT-TRICK of trys, a superb game all round, that sums up Terry Metcalfe's game for Lakes against Central last Sunday. A great clubman indeed.

CONGRATULATIONS to Norm 'Henderson from his "Goanna" clubmates on his Country team selection. A fully deserved reward for a great player, bur, oh hów we miss him on the field.

MANY favourable comments have been passed about the "Goanna" road safety sign at the entrance to Cessnock. This type of thing is great promotion and also public service.

CAPTAIN coach of Kurri reserve grade, Noel Moffatt, is doing a good job with his team and playing really well himself. Keep it up Noel.

A POPULAR official with South's is third grade team manager, Kevin Wilson-Smith. Apart from his managerial duties, he is an active committeeman with both the senior and junior bodies and is also the club delegate to the Newcastle League. With club officials such as this, the code will always be to the fore.

BACK with the Pumpkin Pickers today is Max Boland fresh from his honeymoon, and we take this opportunity of wishing him and Jackie a happy married life together.

GREG COOK, West utility forward had a great game last Saturday against South. His great pace worried the opposition every time he handled and West are indeed fortunate to have a player of his calibre to call on while their rep. players are missing.

WAYNE SIMPSON, Lakes United third grade hard working front row forward, was presented with a son by his lovely wife. Welcome to Lakes Brett.

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TERRY MITCHELL, winger in North's third grade side last week, played a big part in the team's fine win. Terry scored 14 points—almost half the total.

A PLAYER destined to contribute a big effort in South's quest for winning honours this season is John "Choc" Anderson. Apart from his ability to kick long distance match winning goals as displayed in South's win over Wett last week, he is also a great player in attack and whenever he joins the backline you can be sure that the opposing side are going to be hard pressed.

* * * DEEPEST sympathy to Kurri third grade Captain-coach, Terry Counsell, and his family on the loss of his father. DOING a great job for Macquarie United reserve grade is team manager Terry "Dubbo" Redman, a former player who continues to take an active interest in the club.

WEST "stand-in" halfback, Jeff Dial, showed by his game last week that he is a young player of undeniable ability. His service from the scrum base was sound and his all round game in both attack and defence was excellent.

NONE works harder for Lakes United than the manager of third grade, Reg Stokes. Twenty years on the committee and still as keen as ever.

BILL MATTINGLY, former Northern Suburbs first grade player is currently lending a hand in coaching. Most of the players that Bill has been training claim that he is fit enough to be playing.

A GOOD effort by Neil Morgan when called up into Sou!h's side against West last week. A knowledgeable and experienced player, Neil can always be relied upon for a sound performance.

MAITLAND Club take the opportunity of congratulating Terry Pannowitz on his playing of 219 grade games with the club, thus breaking the record of Frank Threlfo of 218.

TED BURGESS is Macquaric's ground steward again this season. It is a big job looking after all the gear and the goal posts, especially when the ground is shared with another code.

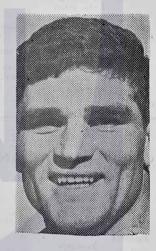
BRENDON BARBER, West first grade front row forward, showed that with experience he could become a regular in the West first grade line up. He constantly broke the first line of defence and in general was most thoughtful for a player of his limited games in the Rugby League code.

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WHAT a display of brilliant football young Glen Golden is showing at the moment. One of Lakes United Juniors, really giving everything for his team.

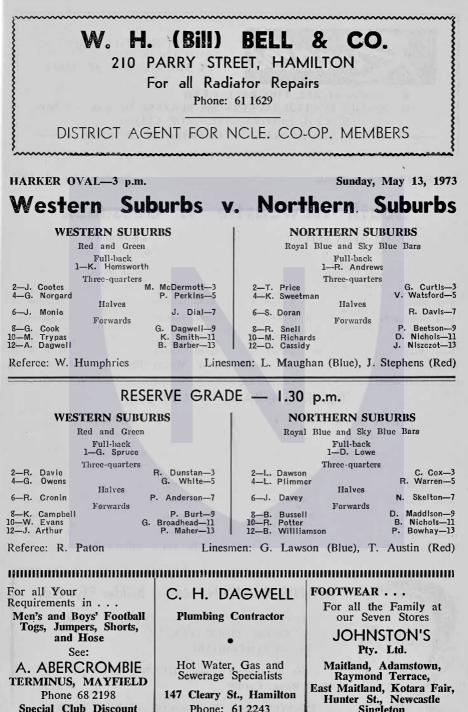
HITTING the high spots for the "Goannas" in lower grades is Gary Sampson, who won the best player award last week. He and Owen Taylor are working up a fine combination.

PLAYING good football with Kurri reserve grade is Peter Rouse, keep scoring those tries Pete. Congratulations also on your recent engagement.



ALAN THOMSON Captain of the touring Country Rugby League team.

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First Grade

WARATAH-MAYFIELD 26 (D. Bond 2, R-Munro, N. Makin, P. Love tries, Munro 5 goals, feld goal) d CENTRAL-CHARLESTOWN 11 (S. Cotton try, K. Fowell 4 goals).

MAITLAND 40 (L. Drew 3, A. West 2, M. Wright 2, T. Pannowitz tries, K. Shine 8 goals) d LAKES UNITED 11 (E. White 2, R. Burgess tries, L. Jones goal).

MACQUARIE UNITED 18 (K. Wright, P. Jaques, P. Solomon tries, K. Tommerup 4 goals, Wright field goal) d KURRI KURRI 19 (J. Raper, K. Myers tries, P. Carr 2 goals).

WESTERN SUBURBS 51 (M. McDermott 3, J. Dial 2, P. Perkins, J. Dagwell tries, K. Hemsworth 15 goals) (I NORTHERN SUBURBS 15 (M. Richards, G. Jordan, V. Watsford tries, S. Doran 8 goals).

CESSNOCK 33 (R. Sneesby, M. Goldman, G. Bradley, R. Mullard, L. Hannah tries, Hannah 9 goals) d SOUTH NEWCASTLE 9 (J. Andersen 2, G. Smallcombe tries).

RESERVE (RADE: Central Charlestown 20 d Wardah-Mayfield 16; Mailland 32 d Lakos United 7; Macquarie United 24 d Kurri Kurri 23; Western Suburbs 30 d Northern Suburbs 4; Cessnock 14 d South Newcastle 12.

(THIRD GRADE: Central Charlestown 18 d Waratah-Mayfield 12; Maitland 12 d Lakes United 0; Macquarie United 30 d Kurri Kurri 10; Western Suburbs 80 d Northern Suburbs 7; South Newcastle 13 d Cessnock 8.