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Next Week's Fixtures

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Around the Clubs

Bill McCall's return to training is pleasing to South supporters, Bill who was injured in the trial matches, will probably return to the game in the minor grades next week.

Cessnock Reserve Grade forward Barry Edwards is now showing the form that made him a senior prospect a couple of seasons ago.

Nice to see Noel Thompson back in Macquarie's line up, as this player is a match winner on his day.

Neville John Heaton, playing good football in Macquarie lower grades is now starting to realise the promise he showed a couple of seasons ago.

North, this year, are in the good position because of the abundance of good hookers they have playing in their ranks and Brian Gilbert is no exception. Brian the Third Grade hooker would be one of the fastest 'strikers' playing today. With a few more years experience Brian will be a force to be reckoned with.

South old boys, Committeemen and present day players reunion will be held on the 31st July. Tickets are now available — any old player wishing to attend will be welcome and can contact the Secretary at the South Newcastle Leagues Club.

West First Grade team today contains three "new" faces in the side. Lock Dennis Rowston, winger John Cootes and front row Geoff Waldie. These players all should strengthen the team. Rowston for his defence, Cootes for his goal kicking and Waldie for the tough work in the scrums.

The presence of Ron Munro has already made its effect on Waratah, not only by his fine goal kicking, but his gifted ability to inspire a team to greater heights. Above all he is now completely free from injury and gets better every game.

North's Reserve Grade hooker 'Butch' Greaves last week again turned in another stirring performance, as well as winning plenty of ball his general all round play has been a feature of his game.

Cessnock second row forward Laurie Clifton, is doing a grand job in coaching the very promising Cessnock U/16 grade team. Laurie assures us that there is some potential senior players in the team.

Two youngsters playing with the South Third Grade side, Phil Heaton and Frank O'Grady are showing good form and with the experience gained in their first season of grade football should do well in future.

Macquarie Reserve Grade Mascot Garry Wiseman really looks the part when he leads the team out.

West First Grade centre Wayne "Bomber" Hore, has matured into a solid centre threequarter. His defence stopped many promising Waratah moves last Saturday. His ability to penetrate the defence makes him an ideal type for the centre position. "Good on you" Bomber from all your many fans.

'Rocky' Melville is showing his class in Lakes Reserve 2nd row after a long spell following a serious leg injury.

Maitland Club congratulates Alan Powell on his engagement to Lynette Bolton of Telarah.

That evergreen Waratah player Hilton O'Connor has lost little of the skill that made him a permanent first grader for many seasons.

A little slower, maybe, but no matter what company he plays in you can be sure the Karuah bulldozer driver will never let you down.

West Reserve Grade forward Gary 'Cass' Whitmore, has been playing soundly this season. His big crashing runs, have been taking their toll of the opposition week after week. Keep it up 'Cass' from all your many supporters.

Maitland's new sand boy is Grant Ryan, son of former first grade footballer "Gus" Ryan.

Another future South player was born recently when popular South Third Grade coach, Cecil Huddleston's wife presented him with a baby son.

David Ridings made a fine debut in first grade for Macquarie Club last week. A product of the South Lakes Club this boy has a fine future ahead.

West Reserve Grade 5/8 Danny Armstrong is starting to play the brand of Rugby League that is expected from him. Danny is a great team player and necessary ingredient in a good team.

Congratulations to Doug Spencer McManus on his scoring of two tries last week. Doug's both tries were brought about by the little kick over the head which he has been practising for 18 months and now that he has mastered it we could see more tries from 'Spencer.'

Ron McDonough showed up well for Macquarie Third Grade against Central kicking seven goals. It will not be long before this player is in a higher grade.

Cessnock hooker Steve Browning was missing from the game against South last Saturday. Steve has been having treatment for an injured leg. Everybody wishes Steve a speedy recovery.

Doug Nicholls did not have the best of luck for Macquarie Thirds last week, however you can bet your life this fine clubman will be back trying as hard as ever today.

West Third Grade half-back today is Paul Casey. This is a position many people have been waiting for as he has quite a reputation in this particular position. Paul is a deadly tackler, and his ability to pass the ball and back up should make a class half-back. So go to it Paul, and "all the best."

Shorty Madrill is one of the improving young players for Macquarie. He showed plenty of determination in scoring two tries last week.

CERTAIN FINAL

The two leading teams after the three rounds of the World series will play-off in a final, to decide the Championship, at the Cricket Ground on Monday, June 10.

There must be a final this time, no matter what the difference in that match results of the two top teams.

When the Championship (then known as the World Cup) was staged in Australia (Sydney and Brisbane) in 1957, Australia beat each of the other three countries and was declared the winner.

On the remaining day Australia played "The Rest."

There has been only one final in the World tournament; that was in France in 1954, when Britain and France had tied in the preliminary rounds having themselves played a draw and having each beaten Australia and New Zealand.

Great Britain won the final, which was played in Paris.

Should two or more teams finish equal second, the team with the best record in points 'for' and 'against' will qualify for the final.

Two replacements will be permitted up to the start of the second half, "for any reason."

This is a departure from the rule observed in domestic football in Australia, under which the substitutions can take place only when players have been injured.

Great Britain, France and New Zealand favour a team having the right to make a change, say, if a coach is not satisfied with a player's performance.

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Sunday, June 2nd: 10.30 a.m. K.O. SNOOKER TOURNAMENT; 8 p.m., Film.

Thursday, June 6: MIXED BOWLS competition, draw for a partner at 7.45.

WICKHAM OVAL—3.15 p.m.

Sunday, 2nd June 1968

Northern Suburbs v. Central-Charlestown

NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue and Sky Blue Bars

Full-back:

1—C. Ball

Three-quarters:

2—D. Newton

D. McManus—3

4—R. Hunter

P. Watsford—5

Halves:

6—L. Perry

B. Askie—7

Forwards:

8—K. Hutchinson

W. Mattingley—9

10—E. Russell

J. Flaherty—11

12—A. Jones

D. Nichols—13

CENTRAL-CHARLESTOWN

White, Blue V, Blue Shorts

Full-back:

1—R. Gillogoly

Three-quarters:

2—J. Shoobridge

B. Horne—3

4—M. Giannacas

D. Lee—5

Halves:

6—L. Gailey

G. Brown—7

Forwards:

8—J. McMurtrie

P. Crockett—9

10—E. Curtis

W. Conway—11

12—J. Woods

R. Bray—13

Referee: K. Barwick

Linesmen: N. Craig (Blue Flag), C. Benson (Red Flag)

RESERVE GRADE — 1.45 p.m.

NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue and Sky Blue Bars

Full-back:

1—G. Elliott

Three-quarters:

2—A. Wasley

K. Sweetman—3

4—R. Butler

P. Smith—5

Halves:

6—D. Davidson

G. Gibson—7

Forwards:

8—D. Davey

J. Wilson—9

10—J. Newton

D. Maddison—11

12—D. Greaves

R. Peterseu—13

CENTRAL-CHARLESTOWN

White, Blue V, Blue Shorts

Full-back:

1—A. Morgan

Three-quarters:

2—M. Mohr

R. Turnbull—3

4—I. Andrews

G. Dunn—5

Halves:

6—I. Tonks

J. Caldwell—7

Forwards:

8—D. Gray

T. Corrigan—9

10—F. Mullaney

L. Burgess—11

12—J. Hughes

B. Haslam—13

Referee: K. Steel

Linesmen: J. Bartlett (Blue Flag), R. Milton (Red Flag)

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THIRD GRADE

12.15 p.m.

SOUTH NEWCASTLE

White, Red V

1—D. Lowe

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|---------------|----------------|
| 2—F. O'Grady | D. Young—3 |
| 4—G. Lyons | T. Kennedy—5 |
| 6—P. Heaton | R. Longworth—7 |
| 8—W. Jones | V. Murphy—9 |
| 10—M. Magill | J. Adamson—11 |
| 12—L. Simpson | D. Gall—13 |

LAKES UNITED

Blue and Gold, White Shorts

1—H. Small

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|---------------|----------------|
| 2—J. Barwick | D. Marshall—3 |
| 4—A. Corrigan | N. Byles—5 |
| 6—J. Campbell | E. Singleton—7 |
| 8—M. Ramplin | L. Thomson—9 |
| 10—B. Worth | J. Brock—11 |
| 12—J. James | C. Foley—13 |

Referee: N. Scotman

Linesmen: R. Pine (Blue Flag), R. Notley (Red Flag)

KURRI KURRI

Half Red Top, Half Blue Bottom

1—P. Hughes

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|-----------------|---------------|
| 2—R. Hamble | J. Wright—3 |
| 4—M. McGuire | R. Apthorpe—5 |
| 6—B. Sault | A. Dodd—7 |
| 8—H. Allen | G. Morris—9 |
| 10—D. McAlister | D. Baker—11 |
| 12—R. Madden | D. Latter—13 |

Referee: R. McLaren

Linesmen: D. Hume (Blue Flag), N. Digby (Red Flag)

MAITLAND

Black, White Knickers

1—L. Dooley

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|--------------|----------------|
| 2—K. Preston | R. Blakemore—3 |
| 4—C. Suters | A. Barrett—5 |
| 6—W. Kerry | B. Clark—7 |
| 8—K. Lantry | J. Wolinski—9 |
| 10—I. Baker | B. Hall—11 |
| 12—D. Layer | B. Milliner—13 |

Referee: R. McLaren

Linesmen: D. Hume (Blue Flag), N. Digby (Red Flag)

MACQUARIE UNITED

Green and Gold Bars, Black Shorts

1—W. Wrightson

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|----------------|-----------------|
| 2—J. Beasley | J. Madrill—3 |
| 4—G. Mathews | J. Ryan—5 |
| 6—R. McDonough | K. Tommerup—7 |
| 8—R. Dyson | G. Robinson—9 |
| 10—G. Deaves | N. J. Heaton—11 |
| 12—R. Rodgers | T. Jackson—13 |

Referee: T. Austin

Linesmen: D. Milton (Blue Flag), T. Hampton (Red Flag)

WARATAH-MAYFIELD

Gold, Maroon V

1—R. Date

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| 2—D. Oag | D. Sergeant—3 |
| 4—R. McBride | R. Hingston—5 |
| 6—K. McKay | T. Smythe—7 |
| 8—B. Judd | D. Bailey—9 |
| 10—P. Muddle | R. Moore—11 |
| 12—R. Bailey | W. Burgess—13 |

Referee: T. Austin

Linesmen: D. Milton (Blue Flag), T. Hampton (Red Flag)

WESTERN SUBURBS

Red and Green

1—T. Martin

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|--------------------|----------------|
| 2—K. Campbell | E. Ellum—3 |
| 4—W. Weston | G. Neat—5 |
| 6—B. Martin | P. Casey—7 |
| 8—B. Stanbridge | W. Maboney—9 |
| 10—I. Bartholmeaux | J. Petersen—11 |
| 12—P. Aitchison | R. Campbell—13 |

Referee: B. Barnett

Linesmen: R. McCluskey (Blue Flag), R. Jones (Red Flag)

CESSNOCK

Black and Gold

1—R. Johnson

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|---------------|---------------|
| 2—R. Smith | R. Fittler—3 |
| 4—J. Lee | B. Jensen—5 |
| 6—R. Leonard | C. House—7 |
| 8—D. Crump | R. Hamilton—9 |
| 10—B. Avery | D. Burgess—11 |
| 12—G. Goodwin | J. Wilson—13 |

Referee: B. Barnett

Linesmen: R. McCluskey (Blue Flag), R. Jones (Red Flag)

NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue and Sky Blue Bars

1—R. Ball

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| 2—G. Slade | R. Benson—3 |
| 4—B. Grace | G. Thompson—5 |
| 6—W. Young | J. Hamer—7 |
| 8—B. Gibson | T. Malone—9 |
| 10—J. Morris | M. Hardy—11 |
| 12—B. Gilbert | G. Perkins—13 |

Referee: A. Keegan

Linesmen: J. Bartlett (Blue Flag), R. Milton (Red Flag)

CENTRAL-CHARLESTOWN

White, Blue V, Blue Shorts

1—G. Page

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| 2—J. Paget | A. McIndons—3 |
| 4—P. Gibbs | J. Milson—5 |
| 6—P. Mundy | A. Mellon—7 |
| 8—G. Briggs | D. Spooner—9 |
| 10—N. Kelly | J. Ryan—11 |
| 12—B. Brown | J. McKay—13 |

Referee: A. Keegan

Linesmen: J. Bartlett (Blue Flag), R. Milton (Red Flag)