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Ray Bruderlin is doing a grand job both as coach and player with Centrales Third Grade team, and if enthusiasm counts for anything, he deserves the highest honours with his team.

All Waratah supporters were elated with the fine performance of half-back, Bob Banks against the strong Sydney side, Western Suburbs, last Saturday. Darcy Russell, former Waratah player-coach thought that Bob was the best player on the ground.

Western Suburb's Under 16 Team were really impressive with their 16-11 win over the strong Waratah team last week. These lads after losing the first two matches narrowly have come back into the winning vein with two consecutive victories, much to the delight of coach Max Carroll.

North's Thirds although not doing as well as they would like are playing in the true spirit of the game and proving themselves grand clubmen by their attitude. Johnny Hilton and Johnny Parkinson, being two good examples of this.

The Kurri boys travelled to Manilla on their bye week-end and although the seniors were defeated, they all spent a very enjoyable week-end.

The Cessnock players and officials who made the trip to Tuncurry last week-end had a most enjoyable time. The Tuncurry Club has been recently reformed and the trip was made to assist the new club in their endeavour to boost League in the Tuncurry-Foster area. Officials and players were made very welcome by everybody in the Group and speak highly of the hospitality afforded them, and of the accommodation provided.

North's good forward, Billy Owens has been busy receiving congratulations on his selection in Country Firsts. Billy has always shown great promise and this selection could easily prove a stepping-stone to greater honours.

Congratulations to Waratah hooker, Jack Gordon, who has been selected in the Country Seconds to play today. Jack has represented Newcastle on many occasions but this is his first selection in the N.S.W. Country team.

Nice to see the help being given Central's school-boys teams by stars of not so long ago. Gus Briggs and Ron Crossley, with able assistance from Ken Grossley, are busy imparting their knowledge to the 12-15 teams, and the lads lap it up.

Congratulations to Cessnock's three representatives in Country Firsts in last Tuesday's games, namely Don Schofield, Johnny Hemsworth and Andrew McCallum. Officials, players and supporters wish you all the best in the future big games ahead.

Ray "Spadger" McLaren is having a good season with Norths. Ray, as captain is proving his worth as a goal-kicker and his general play shows his sound knowledge of the game. Possessor of a fast turn of speed, which he showed to advantage last game in saving two certain tries.

Central Mascot, John Norris, is in his fourth year of Senior football with a fine record of not having missed one game in all that time. At the end of this season he will have approximately 70 first grade appearances, which isn't bad for a lad barely turned 6 years of age. Would the 100 games with one club provision still hold good for him?

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AROUND THE CLUBS

Another Cessnock identity to make good at Tuncurry was "Spring Heel" Jack. Having become aware of his capabilities as a dancer, his next appearance at the Cessnock Town Hall is sure to cause a sensation.

Kurri winger, John Partland, is rapidly approaching the 50 points mark and only needs another three points to be the first player to reach and to-day could be the day. Best luck, John!

Jack "Croker" Gill is improving with every game as lock for North—his game against South in which he scored a grand try, being his best. Jack who is having his first season in grade, coming direct from Under 20's to Seniors is one who could go a long way in the game.

Speedy West winger, Doug Isenhood will be making his first appearance in Reserve Grade for this club to-day. Doug will also be in a position which he has not filled with West before, namely centre. Knowing Doug's versatility and temperament officials are confident he will make a good showing. It speaks highly of the first grade backs when a winger of the "Hoods" calibre can be omitted and they will certainly have to be on their toes, because no doubt Doug will leave no stone unturned in an effort to play himself back into the side.

One of the South younger brigade (Puddy) Miller is showing good form and with a little experience should be one of the top halves in the district.

Missing from the Tuncurry trip was coach Gavin Stevenson. His absence was due to a motor accident which confined Gavin to Cessnock Hospital. Latest report is that he is doing very well.

The West Under 20 pack will be facing its hardest task for some time when they pack down against Waratah at District Park to-morrow. These forwards earlier in the season gave a lot of weight away to North and more than held their opponents with fierce tackling and rucking. Since then they have been together and are developing a fine combination. Hooker Fred Ford is receiving plenty of support from this compact scrum, with Viv Hodge and Rob Davies as props, Teddy Curtis and Tony Jonson second rows and the hard tackling "Bibba" Pearce as lock these boys should acquit themselves creditably.

Cessnock have a number of star players and now they can boast of a star singer. John "Dingle" Anderson was the proud winner of the talent quest at Tuncurry. Incidentally, Dingle met a strong field and it is rumoured that he is being given an audition with a view to trying his luck on the Amateur Hour.

All football supporters will be pleased to see Jim (Scotchie) McVicar strip again this season. Jim is living in the Waratah-Mayfield area and will have his first run with our third grade to-day. All supporters wish him the best of luck and are very pleased to see Jim wearing the maroon and gold.

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North's committeeman, Alan Flanagan and his good wife are busy receiving congratulations on the birth of a footballer son. All are doing well, especially Allan.

Waratah Club are very disappointed in losing the services of star centre Hughie Banks. Hughie has a fractured jaw and we all wish him a speedy recovery.

Herb Pearson's condition is not gained by walking as he was seen on Saturday night engaging a taxi to go no more than one hundred yards.

Congratulations to newcomers Colin Smith, "Berny" Foster, "Andy" Anlezark and "Poddy" Hill on their promotion to Kurri First Grade team for to-day. Club officials predict a promising future for young Foster, who will be making his first appearance in the team.

North's Ladies Committee are busily organising for a Grand Cabaret to be held on Saturday, 31st May. According to early reports it promises to be the show of the year.

A new forward to Western Suburb's Club is Carl McCarthy, from New Zealand. Carl has been playing solidly in Reserves and is a most constructive type of forward. No doubt if Alan Glover is not fit to-day then Carl will get his chance in the top grade.

To-day, Cessnock meet Kurri in the "Coalfield's Derby", and at the time of writing Cessnock could be short of a few of its star players due to City v. Country games. We realise that these games are always hard and both teams in Reserve and First Grade are on level points. Both Reserve Grade teams are undefeated. A big crowd is sure to attend the Cessnock Sports Ground to witness these games.

The Kurri Kurri Club wish to express its thanks to Hector's Butcher Shop in helping the Club every week-end with a donation. This shop made available a "sucking pig" to the Club, and we might add at a very reasonable price for same.

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SELECTIONS and SPECIALS

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WARATAH OVAL—3.15 p.m.

Saturday, 17th May

Northern Suburbs v. Waratah Mayfield

NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue

Fullback:

1—W. Burns

Threequarters:

2—R. Everitt

R. Gibson—3

4—J. Irwin

S. Gill—5

6—T. Coles

Halves:

R. McLaren—7

Forwards:

R. Burns—9

8—J. Gill

T. Anderson—11

10—L. Sweeney

J. Daly (One to be omitted)

12—S. Williams

L. Gill—13

WARATAH-MAYFIELD

Gold Jersey—2" Maroon Stripes

Fullback:

1—J. Britten

Threequarters:

2—D. Davey

T. Sutherland—3

4—Brian Dunlop

T. Young—5

6—W. Foley

Halves:

R. Banks—7

Forwards:

8—L. Markham

A. Rowland—9

10—D. Sargent

H. Holloway—11

12—M. Kelly

C. Curry—13

Referee: K. Barwick

Linesmen: R. Drury (Blue Flag), D. Milton (Red Flag)

RESERVE GRADE—1.45 p.m.

NORTHERN SUBURBS

Fullback:

1—J. Thomas

Threequarters:

2—B. Pugh

A. Kannar—3

4—S. Farquharson

R. Wilson—5

6—L. Oliver

Halves:

J. Simon—7

Forwards:

8—J. Daly

L. Sweeney—9

C. James (One to be omitted)

10—M. Webber

G. Bilek—11

12—T. Bland

J. Hunt—13

WARATAH-MAYFIELD

Fullback:

1—A. Bastaway

Threequarters:

2—C. Fischer

A. Hughes—3

4—R. Swan

R. Radley—5

6—W. Morton

Halves:

W. Giles—7

Forwards:

8—G. McTaggart

R. O'Connor—9

10—Barrie Dunlop

J. Rowett—11

12—M. Melville

V. Rooney—13

Referee: B. Harris

Linesmen: D. Howie (Blue Flag), R. Bolesski (Red Flag)

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CENTRAL NEWCASTLE

Blue, White Stripes, Navy Blue Shorts

Fullback:
1—D. Snook

Threequarters:

2—O. McGrath J. Robinson—3
4—W. Hendry J. Gleeson—5

Halves:

6—J. Sullivan A. Robinson—7

Forwards:

8—K. Hector D. Martin—9
10—J. Swanson R. Bruderlin—11
12—D. Gordon T. Herden—13

Referee: N. Johnson

Linesmen: A. Smith (Blue Flag), R. Lawson (Red Flag)

SOUTH NEWCASTLE

Red—White Knickers

Fullback:
1—J. McManus

Threequarters:

2—G. Ott N. McKinnon—3
4—A. McCallum C. Anderson—5

Halves:

6—B. Robertson D. Wilkins—7

Forwards:

8—W. Saalfeld M. O'Shea—9
10—T. Lavery B. Nickinson—11
12—C. Brown P. Walmsley—13

NORTHERN SUBURBS

Royal Blue

Fullback:
1—J. Newton

Threequarters:

2—W. Rudd P. Kearney—3
4—J. McFarlane W. Smith—5

Halves:

6—C. Bailey J. Parkinson—7

Forwards:

8—C. Hodge J. Hilton—9
10—R. Foster L. Leonard—11
12—J. Brinkley R. Rudd—15

Referee: M. Eades

Linesmen: K. Bilton (Blue Flag), D. Murphy (Red Flag)

WARATAH-MAYFIELD

Gold Jersey—2" Maroon Stripes

Fullback:
1—B. Whittaker

Threequarters:

2—D. Snell J. McNulty—3
4—C. Rees C. Cribb—5

Halves:

6—J. Haddow K. Neilson—7

Forwards:

8—J. McVicar D. Williams—9
10—D. Simmons J. Nichols—11
12—T. Radley W. Sutherland—13

LAKES UNITED

Blue and Gold

Fullback:
1—D. Wendt

Threequarters:

2—J. Halpin B. Jones—3
4—F. Whitehead K. Petterson—5

Halves:

6—R. Eades R. Stevens—7

Forwards:

8—F. Penfold G. Stokes—9
10—R. Turnbull R. Squires—11
12—J. Cowan F. Foster—13

Referee: R. Robinson

Linesmen: N. Howie (Blue Flag), K. Davidson (Red Flag)

WESTERN SUBURBS

Red and Green

Fullback:
14—S. Vosilla

Threequarters:

2—H. Parkinson (Capt.) J. Rabbit—3
4—R. Sargent J. Walls—5

Halves:

6—W. Gray R. Henry—7

Forwards:

8—W. Thomas C. Vidler—9
10—S. Patrick B. Sessions—11
12—C. Hardes J. Rothery—13

CESSNOCK

Black and Gold

Fullback:
1—D. McKendry

Threequarters:

2—B. Moody C. Halverson—3
4—K. Broadley B. Towbridge—5

Halves:

6—R. Thomson N. Barrett—7

Forwards:

8—J. Reay T. Schofield—9
10—E. Craft A. Laidlaw—11
12—W. Robinson P. Anderson—13

Referee: C. Russell

KURRI KURRI

Half Royal Blue top, half Red bottom

Fullback:
1—B. Hill

Threequarters:

2—D. Mountford A. Turgate—3
4—C. Harris W. Charlton—5

Halves:

6—T. Sumner R. Schofield—7

Forwards:

8—E. Straker N. Mitchison—9
10—F. Morehead R. Gillard—11
12—A. Raey A. Bevan—13