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Interesting Fixtures this Weekend

With the 1986 premiership nearing the half way mark every game is important and this weekend's games should produce some very close results.

Maitland are at home to competition leaders Western Suburbs and they will be keen to continue their improved form which they displayed against Central last weekend when they went down twelve points to seven with their team now starting to settle down under their new coach Peter Sharp. Maitland is capable and should cause some upsets as the season progresses.

Kurri Kurri and Central Charles-town both winners from last weekend meet at the Kurri Sports Ground in what should be a close game.

Against Macquarie last week Kurri turned a twenty points to eight deficit into a twenty-four points to twenty win to show the fighting spirit of the "Bulldogs", while Central accounted for Maitland at St. John Oval in what was an entertaining game of Rugby League.

Cessnock will be keen to get back on the winners list when they play Macquarie United at home. After putting together four wins in a row the "Goannas" have been defeated in their last two games by Waratah and Lakes to be in third position on the points table. Cessnock this season have produced some outstanding form and will certainly make the "Scorpions" earn every point in this game.

Although defeated last week by Kurri Kurri, Macquarie have displayed some of their best form in recent years and are sure to test the talented Cessnock team in their game.

In what should be another great game Lakes United play South New-

castle at Cahill Oval. Lakes are only one point away from leaders Western Suburbs and the defending premiers have displayed the form that makes them the team to beat again this year.

South Newcastle have won three of their last four games and are now showing the form that could take them through to a semi-final position. The "Lions" will be out to show their strength against Lakes United in what could turn out to be one of the best games of the season.

In the remaining fixture Waratah-Mayfield play North Newcastle at Waratah Oval. Last weekend Waratah held Western Suburbs till the last quarter of that game after defeating Cessnock the previous week. The "Cheetahs" are on six points in the competition and will be out to defeat the young North team to stay within striking distance of the leading teams.

Amateur League Kick-off

The first series of the Amateur League was played last weekend and resulted in University defeating Waratah-Mayfield 30 points to 18 while South Newcastle defeated Newcastle All Blacks 16 points to 8 in their match at Townson Oval.

RAAF had a bye.

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| University | 1 | 0 | 0 | 30 | 18 | 2 |
| South | 1 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 8 | 2 |
| RAAF | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| NAB | 0 | 0 | 1 | 8 | 16 | 0 |
| Waratah | 0 | 0 | 1 | 18 | 30 | 0 |

Lakes, South lead in Reserve Grade

Lakes and South are the only two undefeated teams in the reserve grade competition and their clash at Cahill Oval holds a lot of interest.

In winning their six games Lakes have scored 200 points and conceded 38 while South Newcastle have scored 217 and conceded 58. These results indicate that the two teams are evenly matched and a great game should result.

Waratah-Mayfield and Maitland with four wins each are equal on eight points while Western Suburbs with three wins and a draw are on seven points to be in fifth position.

THREE SHARE LEAD IN THIRD GRADE

With five wins from their six games, South Newcastle, Waratah-Mayfield and Lakes United lead the third grade competition which is shaping up to be very closely contested.

Maitland have four wins to be alone on eight points while Kurri Kurri and Central Charles-town are on six points and well within striking distance of the leaders.

RAY MAHER SHIELD UNDER 19 CHAMPIONSHIPS

Newcastle 22, Riverina 4
Northern Division 22, Newcastle 14 in semi-final.

Western Division 17, North Coast 6 in semi-final.

Final: Western Division 16, Northern Division 12.

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NBN 3 — CARLTON PREMIERSHIP

Sunday, May 18—2.45 p.m.

Waratah Oval

Waratah-Mayfield

Maroon and gold

Coach: John King



- 1—TIM VAUGHAN
- 2—ALLAN LYDDIARD
- 3—EWAN McGRADY
- 4—DARRYL WARDEN
- 5—STEVE ROBINSON
- 6—DEAN MICHALSKI
- 7—SHANE LEE
- 8—TREVOR CROW
- 9—WARREN BLACK
- 10—PETER GARBUTT
- 11—PETER JOY
- 12—GLEN RANDALL (c)
- 13—WAYNE WILSON

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Referee: M. Walsh

North Newcastle

Royal blue and sky

Coach: Karl Hutchinson



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

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Touch Judges: P. Parkinson (Blue), F. Kitcher (Red)

RESERVE GRADE

WARATAH-MAYFIELD

Coach: David Clulow

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| 1—Phil DUNCAN | |
| 2—Kevin PYWELL | Craig SHORT—3 |
| 4—Craig McLOUGHLIN | Joe PERRY—5 |
| 6—Paul GUARNIERI | Steve McCARTY (c)—7 |
| 8—Ken McCARTNEY | Dave RUSSELL—9 |
| 10—Lucky CARATHANASSIS | Mick FORRESTER—11 |
| 12—Tony BENDEICH | Steve WALTERS—13 |

Referee: K. Marker

1.10 p.m.

NORTH NEWCASTLE

Coach: Mick Ryan

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| 1—Dave MAHER | |
| 2—Ron PAYNE | Ian MILLINGTON—3 |
| 4—Tony PICKIN | Rick COLEMAN—5 |
| 6—Zaff MASLOW | Ken FAIRHALL—7 |
| 8—Dale WALTON | Dave WILLIAMS—9 |
| 10—Wayne HYDE | Tom PARKS—11 |
| 12—Colin PAXTON | Ken ARMSTRONG—13 |

Touch Judges: M. Walsh (Blue), P. Parkinson (Red)

THIRD GRADE

WARATAH-MAYFIELD

Coach: Brett Harper

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| 1—Brodie THOMAS | |
| 2—John SLOCKEE | Lionel PHILLIPS—3 |
| 4—David KING | Brett JONES—5 |
| 6—Peter SLEAP | Bill CARRIG (c)—7 |
| 8—Brad LANTRY | Dave PRIESTLEY—9 |
| 10—Peter CORNFORD | Sam DAWSON—11 |
| 12—Mark DART | Brett ISAAC—13 |

Referee: Owen Smith

11.45 a.m.

NORTH NEWCASTLE

Coach: Terry Dent

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| 1—Tony MANTON | |
| 2—Chris MEAD | John BLENKIRON—3 |
| 4—Dave FLETCHER | Graham CURRIE—5 |
| 6—Paul CLARK | Alan ARMSTRONG—7 |
| 8—Steve NEWELL | Dave LAWRENCE—9 |
| 10—Phil HARRISON | David STANFORD—11 |
| 12—Peter TAYLOR | Peter TURK—13 |

Touch Judges: K. Marker (Blue), F. Kitcher (Red)



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NBN 3-CARLTON PREMIERSHIP

First Grade

LAKES UNITED 30 (P. Parsons 2 tries, M. Bates 2 tries, S. Drinkwater 2 tries, P. Walsh 3 goals) d SOUTH NEWCASTLE 18 (L. Rotumah 2, R. White tries, L. Rotumah 3 goals).

WESTERN SUBURBS 42 (C. Dedman 2, G. Eagar 2, C. Higgins, P. Dedman, P. Elliott, G. Murray tries, P. Elliott 5 goals) d MAITLAND 2 (G. Guider goal).

CENTRAL CHARLESTOWN 52 (R. Harman 2, G. Jarrett 2, C. Hammond 2, W. Schillings, C. Croese, A. Finn tries, G. Price 8 goals) d KURRI KURRI 30 (K. Huxley, P. Hafey, S. Collingwood, P. Brady, P. Williams tries, P. Williams 5 goals).

CESSNOCK 24 (R. Whitaker 2, J. Hunter, A. Thompson tries, M. Schofield 4 goals) d MACQUARIE UNITED 10 (A. Williams 2 tries, W. Snowden goal).

WARATAH-MAYFIELD 66 (C. Short 3, K. Pywell 2, T. Vaughan 2, E. McGrady, D. Warden, P. Joy, W. Wilson, S. Walters tries, T. Vaughan 9 goals) d NORTH NEWCASTLE 4 (N. O'Brien try).

Reserve Grade

South 28 d Lakes 26, West 41 d Maitland 20, Central 32 d Kurri 28, Cessnock 28 d Macquarie 17, Waratah 78 d North 0.

Third Grade

Lakes 30 d South 24, Maitland 13 d West 10, Central 28 d Kurri 16, Cessnock 46 d Macquarie 6, Waratah 74 d North 0.