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## Next Week's Fixtures

Central-Charlestown v. Cessnock Macquarie United v. South Newcastle Kurri Kurri v. Maitland Waratah-Mayfield v. Lakes United Northern Suburbs v. Western Suburbs



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> Bookings at Theatre

Now Showing-

(A) Technicolor Charles Aznavour, Marlon Brando, Richard Burton, Ewa Aulin

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COLOUR FEATURETTES

Sessions 11, 2, 5, 8

West halfback in First Grade, Graham Morrissey, has quickly become a favourite with the followers of West. Graham came from Lismore to join West and if he continues to improve he will be pressing for representative honours before very long. His main assets are his bullet like passes and rock like defence and his uncanny nack of being where he is required in both attack and defence.

West First Grade Captain for today is Brian Stanbridge. This will be Brian's first game with the seniors since joining the club in 1964 after transferring from Kurri where he played 96 games in the top grade. No doubt he will be a key figure in today's clash with Waratah, a team that always has to be respected.

An interesting player in West Reserves is fullback Chris John, who has recently returned from playing in England. While away it is reported that Chris played really well and no doubt his army of admirers will watch his play closely to see if he has in fact improved, by his experience while away in the old country. "Best of luck, Chris".

West five-eighth in Reserves is Frank Frasca. This young player has impressed in the trials this season. His sound defence being a feature of his game. He is quite adaptable being able to play in the halfback position which makes him a handy player to have available for selection.

Young West First Grade player Peter Howlett is fitting in well in his first season in grade. His ability to play either on the wing or centre has made him a ready made substitute for the players away in the Newcastle team. Peter has just turned 18 so it seems that a great future is in store for him providing he continues to improve.

Waratah officials and supporters are very pleased with the form shown by Bob Burgess this season.

Bob, who played in the centres two seasons ago, has now moved to the forwards. At 16 stone and with plenty of ability he is expected to be one of the best forwards in the district before the season finishes.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ron Morley and family deepest sympathy from the Kurri Club. Congratulations to Allan Jones and Karl Hutchinson on being selected in the Newcastle representative side. Both players are sure to give a good account of themselves.

Good to see Brian Gibson coaching North's third grade again this year. With Gary Wilson as manager, the team could not be in more capable hands.

North's selectors showed imagination in promoting Jim Hattam to fill Alan Jones' hooking position for today's game. Jim is sure to fill this position as well as Alan.

Macquarie welcomes new players to the club this season—Bill McCall, Ian Rawlings, Ken Davies, Mike McDermott, Peter McNamee, Neil Orr, Nev Smith, Ray Brenton and Pat Neylan. We hope you all have a happy season with the green and golds.

Coach Bob Hensby is doing a great job and is most pleased with his early success as a coach which was only made possible because of great player support.

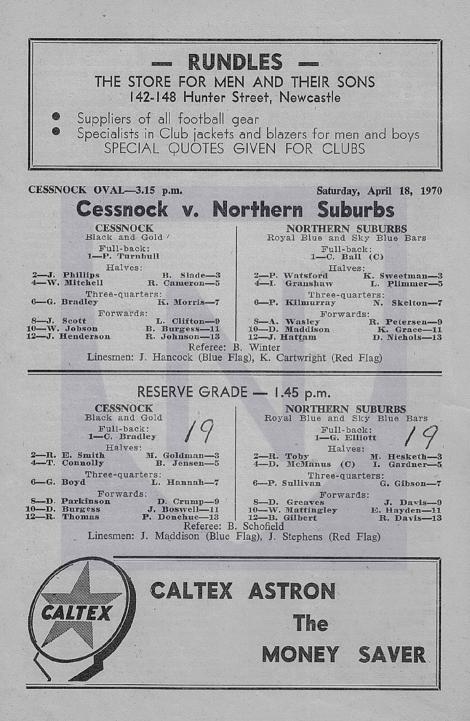
New faces to Lakes grade teams to watch closely because they will all improve greatly are Dick Grice, Paul Maher, Nigel McDonnell, Garry Doran, Sid Siddons and probably the hardest trier of all Phillip Newton.

Two of Macquarie United under 19 players of last season, James Findlater and Wayne Solomons are in Macquarie first grade side today. The club wishes them well in their grade careers.

The Waratah Club extends congratulations to Ross Fuller on gaining first grade selection. This is only his second year in grade football and it is hoped he wears the maroon and gold for many years.

Cessnock lock forward John Scott must have been very unlucky to have missed out on selection in the Newcastle team. The form shown by John has been outstanding and no doubt he will eventually force his way into the team.

Cessnock Junior League have every reason to be proud of their efforts, when they see four of last years under 18 team in the Cessnock senior team in Gordon Bradley, Rob Cameron, Ken Morris and Wayne Jobson. All these lads have played very well in the preseason competition.



THIRD GRADE	
12.15 p.m.	
CESSNOCK Black and Gold I-G. Durie 2-G. Collins G. Stokes	NORTHERN SUBURBS Royal Blue and Sky Blue Bars 1-R. Ball 2-B. Pascoe 4-P. Smith D. Steele-5 6-V. Watsford J. Swan-7 8-D. Davey (C) P. Cox-9 10-R. Benson N. Petersen-11 12-D. Porter G. Gagelar-13 Res.: T. Malone, I. Perry, G. Brown, D. Crich Flag), J. Stephens (Red Flag)
LAKES UNITED Blue and Gold, White Shorts 1-R. Smith 2-F. Hurley G. Gaudion-3 4-C. McDonnell R. Hall-5 6-P. Thomson M. Smith-7 5-W. Davies J. James-9 10-J. Drayton N. Peazley-11 12-R. Green M. Douglas-13 Referee: N. Linesmen: H. Horne (Blue 1)	MAITLAND Black and White 1-L. Dooley 2-D. Ryan 4-K. Muddle S. Whitehouse-5 6-J. Sponder F. Kowalczuk-7 8-B. Clark K. Roherts-9 10-M. Zyzsetk G. Oldfield-11 12-P. Perry G. Marquett-13 . Scotman Flag), R. Notley (Red Flag).
Referee:	MACQUARIE UNITED Green and Gold Bars, Black Shorts I-P. Lane 2-B. Robinson G. Matthews-3 4-R. Fowell M. Paine-5 6-R. Brenton B. Heaton-7 8-K. Winterbine T. Redman-9 10-C. Gavenlock P. Neylan-11 12-R. Rodgers (C) J. Drinkwater-13 8. Maher Flag), R. Milton (Red Flag)
	KURRI KURRI Half Red Top, Half Blue Bottom 1-K. Johns 2-G. Waught D. Swan-3 4-E. Bainbridge W. Edgell-5 6-N. Moffatt Connolly/Fenvick-7 S-Yates/MeDonald C. Butler-9 10-R. Hindmarsh A. Bailey-11 12-B. Wiseman I. Ellis-13 Res.: J. Cooper, J. Prance. Billington Flag), G. Benson (Red Flag)