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BLUES OFF THE MARK

The North Newcastle "Get Wet" Blues showed their best form of the season to notch victories in both 1st and Reserve Grade against Kurri at Passmore Oval last Saturday.

In the pre-season round at Kurri, the Bulldogs had defeated the Blues convincingly in 1st and Reserves, but our 3rd grade team won. Last week was the complete opposite.

Our 3rd grade team was right in the match until 1/2 time, but a disappointing 2nd half performance saw them go down 30-10.

The Reserves showed great spirit to overcome a Kurri lead of 10-0 and win the game. "Hash" Hartney's side finished too strongly for the Bulldogs and got up 16-14 in a thriller.

This set the scene for the 1st grade. The "Blues" produced some great attacking play and determined defence. After leading 10/4 at the break, North played with plenty of confidence, and ripped through Kurri in the 2nd half to race away with the game by 33-14.

Two victories was a fitting return to Passmore and is a great morale booster for all the players and supporters. Congratulations to the teams involved.

Todays opponents, Central Charlestown, have, like North, experienced their fair share of lean times. However, the Butcher Boys have looked very promising this season and let's hope today's game is entertaining for the supporters of both clubs.

> Lindsay Young, Promotions/Publicity Officer. N.N.R.L.F.C.

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1ST GRADE

RESERVE GRADE

THIRD GRADE

South 8	3	Lakes 8	3	South	6
Lakes 8	3	Maitland 6	3	West	6
Central	4	South 5	5	Central	
West	4	Macquarie 4	1	Lakes	5
Waratah 4	4	Cessnock 4	1	Waratah	4
Maitland	4	Waratah 4	1	Maitland	4
Cessnock 4	4	West 3	3	Cessnock	4
Macquarie 2	2	Central 2	2	Macquarie	
North 2	2	North 2	2	Kurri Kurri	2
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NEXT WEEK'S FIXTURES

SATURDAY — Maitland v. North (Maitland Sportsground)
SUNDAY — Cessnock v. West (Cessnock Sportsground)
SUNDAY - Waratah v. Macquarie (Waratah Oval)
SUNDAY — Lakes v. South
SUNDAY — Central v. Kurri Kurri (St. John Oval)

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	Karl Hutchinson		John Anderson			
1. Wayne Walker	8. Terry Forbes	1. Mick Fairclough	8. Warren Schilling			
2. Dave Anderson	9. Ken Fairhall	2. Leon Hammond	9. Dave McDonnell			
3. Nick O'Brien	10. Rick McInnes	3. Eddie Smith	10. Brad Ryan			
4. Dave Newton	11. Mick Ryan	4. Danny Brown	11. Andrew Watt			
5. Tony Pickin	12. Kent Lumsden	5. Craig Hammond	12. Geoff Baker			
6. Peter Walker	13. Todd Anderson	6. Chris Croese	13. Greg Price			
7. Bill Lamb		7. Steve Fitzsimmons				
Refe	eree: Mr. T. Gustard. — Touc	h Judges: Messrs. P. Evans	s, J. Marlow.			
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KE	SERVE GRAD	JE — Kick-off:	1.10 p.m.			
	WET" BLUES		CHARLESTOWN			
	1: Chris Hartney		h: Doug Gall			
1. Darren Mehan	8. Col Giggins	1. Steve Roach	8. Phil Smith			
2. Shane Huxley	9. Dave Williams	2. Brian Spicer	9. Paul Dunlop			
3. Ward Ritchie	10. Darren Ball	3. Dave Pickford	10. Chris Beesley			
4. Steve Parry	11. Pat Mullen	4. Geoff Milton	11. Adrian Cox			
5. Tony Dodd	12. Peter Preston	5. Phil Burns	12. Richard Harmon			
6. Rick Dyke	13. Brad Smith	6. Mick Banveld	 Gary Thoroughgood 			
7. Allan Armstrong		7. Garry Price				
Refe	eree: Mr. P. McBlane. — Touc	h Judges: Messrs. P. Evan	s, C. Russell			
	HIRD GRADE		45 o m			
"GET I	WET" BLUES	CENTRAL	CENTRAL CHARLESTOWN			
Coach	: Peter Chapman	Coach	: Greg Owens			
1. Dave Fletcher	8. Filo Attio	1. Peter Fennell	8. Craig Sergeant			
2. Rick Coleman	9. Danny Roser	2. Bruce Woodward	9. Bill Maines			
3. Frank Bull	10. Peter Sullivan	3. Troy Kelly	10. Robbie Briggs			
4. Neville Farley	11. David Stamford	4. Glen Marsh	11. Paul Ryan			
5. Karl Blick	12. Grant Morgan	5. Lee Klousis	12. Bob Fuller			
6. Jamie Kelly	13. Patrick Tafu	6. Garry Simons	13. Grahame Hall			
7. Mark Stamford		7. Stan Davies				
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Another good roll-up of players and supporters at the Club after last week's good win over the Kurri Kurri Bulldogs. The Award Winners for all Grades last week were as follows:-

First Grade Coaches Player — Todd Anderson First Grade Players Player — David Newton Reserve Grade Coaches Player — Rick Dyke Reserve Grade Players Player — Peter Preston Third Grade Coaches Player — Danny Roser Third Grade Players Player — Filu Attio

SATURDAY NIGHT MAY 9TH FANCY DRESS NIGHT North Leagues Club Admission \$2 Everybody Welcome A great night of entertainment ... ACTS NEVER SEEN BEFORE! MUSIC BY "FINELINE" BE THERE!!!

One of North's previous players, now with the Lakes United Club, met with a very unfortunate setback in Newcastle's first game in the Country Championships at Tweed Heads recently.

Mark Bates suffered a badly broken jaw in that match, and will probably be out of action for six weeks, or possibly even more.

All of your old Bluebag mates, as well as supporters, I'm sure, wish that you will make a full and speedy recovery from your injury.

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