



## 1922 Round 12 Saturday 22nd July Pratten Park



### Western Suburbs 15

def.

### Newtown 8

Frank McMILLAN  
Wally COLLINS  
Neil MATTERSON  
Fred YANZ  
Cyril BELLAMY  
Arthur MENDEL  
Eric DOIG  
William JOASS  
Louis YANZ  
Edward COURTNEY (c)  
Edward BROOKS  
Clarrie PRENTICE  
Harold LEDDY

**Fullback**  
**Wing**  
**Centre**  
**Centre**  
**Wing**  
**Five-eighth**  
**Half**  
**Lock**  
**Second Row**  
**Second Row**  
**Front Row**  
**Hooker**  
**Front Row**

Alex MAIN  
Joe MANSTED  
F ELLIOTT  
Albert CARR  
Sidney MANSTED  
Cecil SNEDDON  
Charles KELL  
Felix RYAN (c)  
Tom JONES  
Jack KNIGHT  
Harry CAVANOUGH  
Richard TOWNSEND  
E H STEPHENSON

#### Tries

Harold LEDDY  
Neil MATTERSON  
Clarrie PRENTICE

Joe MANSTED  
E H STEPHENSON

#### Goals

Eric DOIG (3)

Alex MAIN (1)

#### Match Description

**Western Suburbs:** Fullback, F McMillan; three-quarters, W Collins, F Yanz, N Matterson, C Bellamy; half-backs, A Mendel, E Doig; forwards, E Brooks, C Prentice, E Courtney, W Joass, L Yanz, H J Leddy

**Newtown:** Fullback, A Main; three-quarters, A Carr, S Mansted, F Elliott, J Mansted; half-backs, D Seddon, C Kell; forwards, T Jones, J Knight, F Ryan, H Cavanaugh, R Townsend, H Stephenson **Referee: V Dickenson**

Western Suburbs created a surprise by soundly defeating Newtown. In the first half Western Suburbs played much the better game, their forwards more than holding their own with the solid Newtown pack, and the backs showing more pace and combination than their opponents. The first score was the result of a good passing rush, which ended in Leddy scoring a try in a good position. Doig converted and Wests led by 5 to nil. For the first 20 minutes Newtown were only once inside Western Suburbs' 25. Doig had two shots at goal from penalties, but without result. Good play by Seddon put Newtown on the attack, and from some hard play amongst the forwards Stephenson emerged with the ball, and running strongly, scored a try. Main missed the goal, and Western Suburbs led by 5 to 3. Mendel was prominent in some good play, but Main marked, and relieved Newtown. Western Suburbs were constantly on the attack, and from some good passing amongst the backs Collins secured, and after a good run, passed to Prentice, who scored a good try. Doig, with a nice kick, converted, and Western Suburbs led by 10 to 3. Newtown livened up, and came with a series of rushes at Western Suburbs' line, but lacked the necessary finish, and half-time arrived with the scores still 10 to 3, in favour of Western Suburbs.

On resuming, Newtown made strenuous efforts to avert defeat, but Western Suburbs held their own. Doig and Main both had shots at goal from penalties, but without success. A good run by Mendel put his side on the attack, but Newtown drove them back to their own 25. Play had now become very solid, both sides tackling well, and thereby keeping the play close and uninteresting. A brilliant piece of play by McMillan saw Western Suburbs almost over, L Yanz losing the ball near the line. From a penalty Doig kicked another goal, and Western Suburbs led by 12 to 3. Newtown came again, and in some hard work near the line Brooks was ordered off. Western Suburbs again attacked, and Doig kicked past the fullback. Matterson, following fast, secured and crossed over. Doig missed the goal. Western Suburbs 15 to 3. Newtown then gave the best exhibition of the day, the ball being handled by the whole of the backs, and J Mansted, taking the final pass, scored a great try. Main converted, making the score: Western Suburbs 15, Newtown 8. Full-time arrived shortly afterwards without any alteration to the scores.

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**Notes:** This was a big upset with Newtown having their best team except for Alex Bolewski. Arthur Mendel continued to play well and was developing a good combination with Eric Doig. Frank McMillan seemed to have come of age in this game with incisive runs and dominant kicking. Wests were coming off a bye and seemed to play well fresh. Edward Brooks was sent off late in the game making three players sent off in the last three games.