



# 1922 Round 8 Saturday 24th June Pratten Park



## Eastern Suburbs 6

def.

## Western Suburbs 2

Ed RIGNEY  
Gordon WRIGHT  
Rex NORMAN  
Edward CONNERTON  
Les STEEL  
Ray LEWIS  
Sid KAUFMAN  
William IVES  
George CLAMBACK  
Harold HOLMES  
Arthur OXFORD  
George BODDINGTON  
Jack WATKINS (c)

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

Fred YANZ  
Cyril BELLAMY  
Neil MATTERSON  
William MATTHEWS  
Wally COLLINS  
Arthur MENDEL  
Eric DOIG  
William JOASS  
Louis YANZ  
Edward BROOKS  
Edward COURTNEY (c)  
Clarrie PRENTICE  
Jack DREW  
Westley EASTERBROOK



### Tries

Harold HOLMES  
Gordon WRIGHT

### Goals

Eric DOIG (1)

### Match Description

**Eastern Suburbs:** Fullback, E Rigney; three-quarters, G Wright, Rex Norman, E Connerton, L Steel; half-backs, R Lewis, H Kaufman; forwards, W Ives, G Clamback, H Holmes, A Oxford, G Boddington, J Watkins

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

.....A series of long kicks between the opposing fullbacks ended in Rigney's favour. Doig made ground for Western Suburbs, but Courtney dropped the pass. Norman gained ground for Eastern Suburbs, and Oxford had an unsuccessful shot at goal from a penalty. Courtney came through with the ball at toe, but Watkins and Norman were solid in defence. Kauffman started Eastern Suburbs on the attack, and Ives were pulled down near the 25. A penalty relieved Western Suburbs, and then Eastern Suburbs came with a splendid passing rush from 25 to 25. Western Suburbs drove them back, but Rigney, who was playing great football, again put his side in a good position. F Yanz, who had been shaping well at fullback, was compelled to retire, and Joass took his place, Easterbrook going into the forwards. A short passing rush by Eastern Suburbs ended by Wright scoring in the corner. Oxford missed the goal, and Eastern Suburbs led by three to nil. Good play by Watkins and Norman saw the ball out near the 25. Western Suburbs then got a penalty, and Doig with a good kick brought play back to the 25. Combined play by Steele and Oxford gained ground, and from a passing rush Wright secured and crossed over, but was pushed into touch. At half-time Eastern Suburbs led by three to nil.

Shortly after resuming Steele intercepted a pass, and after a good run passed to Ives, who was stopped near the line. Western Suburbs attacked, Collins being prominent, and from a penalty at the 25, Doig kicked a goal. Eastern Suburbs 3 to 2. Western Suburbs were attacking strongly, and Collins was only stopped near the line. Then Doig just missed the goal from a penalty, the ball going under the bar. Eastern Suburbs attacked, but Joass saved well. Western Suburbs counter-attacked, and Bellamy almost scored, being stopped by a good tackle by Norman. Western Suburbs were playing better now, and had their opponents on the defence until Rigney relieved by a fine line kick. Western Suburbs were getting the ball from the majority of the scrums, but the backs could not break through the defence. .... Eastern Suburbs forwards broke through, and Holmes, picking up near the line, struggled over for a try. Oxford just missed the goal, and Eastern Suburbs led by 6 to 2. Western Suburbs came again, but Rigney drove them back. Good play by Joass put Western Suburbs again in position, but Steele relieved with a neat kick.... Then Doig broke away well, but his pass went astray. Eastern Suburbs were again attacking when full-time arrived, the final scores being – Eastern Suburbs 6, Western Suburbs 2. **(Sydney Morning Herald 26th June 1922)**

The whole team shaped well, especially wing three-quarter Collins and evergreen Joass, who played fullback after Yanz retired injured, fielding and kicking like a Hallett at his top. **(Referee 28th June 1922)**

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**Notes:** This was a very close game which could have gone either way. Bellamy went very close to scoring as did others. Fred Yanz was injured and Westley Easterbrook took Ranji Joass' place in the forwards and Ranji went to full-back. According to The Referee he played very well; the second time going to the backs in the season. Wally Collins again showed lots of pace on the wing and appeared to be Wests' most dangerous attacking weapon.