1958 Round 10 Saturday 21st June Pratten Park



def.

South Sydney 8

Alan FLOCKTON (1)





Tries

Goals

Darcy RUSSELL John THOMPSON Harry WELLS (c) Don MALONE Peter DIMOND Darcy HENRY Keith HOLMAN **Doug JONES** Kel O'SHEA Jack BOWMAN Mark PATCH Bede GOFF **Nev CHARLTON**

Darcy RUSSELL (10)

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

Alan FLOCKTON Ian MOIR Dale PUREN Martin GALLAGHER **Eric SLADDEN** Clive CHURCHILL (c) **Nev TURNER** Bill GLANVILLE Bernie PURCELL **Brian HAMBLY** Fred NELSON **Ernie HAMMERTON** Dick POWELL

Kel O'SHEA (3) Ian MOIR Harry WELLS (2) Alan FLOCKTON **Bede GOFF** Peter DIMOND **Darcy HENRY Doug JONES** Don MALONE Darcy RUSSELL

Match Description

Western Suburbs: Full-back: D Russell; three-quarters: J Thompson, H Wells (c), D Malone, P Dimond; five-eighth: D Henry; half: K Holman; forwards: D Jones, K O'Shea, J Bowman, N Charlton, B Goff, M Patch

South Sydney: Full-back: A Flockton; three-quarters: I Moir, D Puren, M Gallagher, E Sladden; five-eighth: C Churchill (c); half: N Turner; forwards: W Glanville, B Purcell, B Hambly, F Nelson, E Hammerton, D Powell Referee: D Lawler (The Sun 21st June 1958)

With Test winger Ian Moir and forward Bernie Purcell injured, South Sydney lost 53-8 to Western Suburbs at Pratten Park. Moir, going in for a try in the first half, damaged a muscle in his left leg. Moir played on, but was a "passenger" until he withdrew in the second half. Midway through the first half Purcell was carried off with his right leg injured. He returned a few minutes later, but did not play in the second half. ... The match was a debacle almost from the start. Wests' forwards gave the backs a feast of the ball, allowing them to run through the South defences. Kel O'Shea and Doug Jones spearheaded the Wests' forwards. Nev Charlton and hooker Bede Goff, who shared in the try-scoring orgy gave good support. Keith Holman and Darcy Henry were a tricky pair of halves. They had too much guile and speed for an unhappy looking Clive Churchill and Nev Turner. At half-time Wests led 27-3, having scored five tries. Full-back Darcy Russell kicked six goals. After halftime Souths used a three-man scrum and half Nev Turner replaced Ian Moir on the wing. Wests scored six more tries in the second half. Russell finished the match with one try and 10 goals. This gave him 102 points for the season. (Sunday Telegraph 22nd June 1958)

Western Suburbs scored 11 tries in overwhelming South Sydney 53-8 at Pratten Park. The Wests' forwards were in great form. They laid the foundations for the win and completely outclassed their opposition. Souths' forwards failed to tackle their men early and effectively. Every Wests forward movement gained much more ground than it should have, Charlton, Patch, Jones and O'Shea tore through a very weak defence to put Wests on the attack right from the start. Wests maintained this attack for most of the first half. Holman worked both the open and the blind sides and always found lock Doug Jones well positioned. Jones scored brilliantly the opening try of the game from an inside pass from Holman. Ian Moir was able to kick a dropped ball through and over the goal-line to score. Moir received a leg injury and on doctor's advice came off the field almost immediately after the second half had started. Moir expects to be fit next Saturday. Wests scored five tries in this first half with their backs and forwards running brilliantly. The second half was almost a procession, Souths offering no resistance and playing with 12 men. The occasion was far too big for Glanville at lock. Puren, a winger, was not a success in the centre. Darcy Russell, with a try and 10 goals, reached 102 points for the season. Clive Churchill, at five-eighth, tackled well but needs experience in the position. Darcy Henry was too sharp for Churchill yesterday. (Sun-Herald 22nd June 1958)

Notes: Ian Moir was a passenger for much of the match but it didn't really affect the result as Wests ran riot. The forwards, led by Charlton, Patch, O'Shea and Jones had a field day, charging through the Souths' forwards like a knife through butter. Darcy Henry completely outplayed Clive Churchill, who was at a loss at five-eighth, and Darcy Russell kicked 10 goals to go over the century for the season.

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