



1932 Round 11 Saturday 6th August Pratten Park



Western Suburbs 33

def.

University 10

Richard DAVIS
 Alan RIDLEY
 Ken SHERWOOD
 Ray MORRIS
 Alan BRADY
 Jack McGLINN
 Les MEAD
 Frank SPONBERG
 Charlie CORNWELL
 Frank SPILLANE
 Bill BROGAN (c)
 Bob LINDFIELD
 Cecil RHODES

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

A McRAE
 J WHERRETT
 Ernest OGG (c)
 Norm JOHNSON
 Sid MANNIX
 John ELLIOTT
 Tom McINERNEY
 R FREW
 L TRIVES
 Jim SMYTHE
 Cec RUBIE
 Greg SULLIVAN
 Bill BREWER

Tries

Alan RIDLEY (2)
 Les MEAD (2)
 Ray MORRIS
 Cecil RHODES
 Frank SPONBERG

Sid MANNIX
 Ernest OGG

Goals

Charlie CORNWELL (3)
 Les MEAD (3)

Tom McINERNEY (2)

Match Description

Western Suburbs: Full-back: R Davis; three-quarters: A Ridley, R Morris, K Sherwood, A Brady; halves: L Mead, J McGlinn; forwards: F Sponberg, F Spillane, C Cornwell, C Rhodes, R Lindfield, W Brogan (capt)

University: Full-back: L McRae; three-quarters: S Mannix, E S Ogg (capt), N Johnstone, J Wherrett; halves: J Elliott, T McInerney; forwards: J Smythe, R Frew, L Trives, C Rubie, G Sullivan, J Brewer **Referee: E Fletcher (Rugby League News 13th August 1932)**

University won the toss. Mead kicked off for Western Suburbs. Bad play by Ogg gave Wests a great chance of scoring, but Sponberg, who had followed up fast, failed to gather the ball. A moment later Cornwell kicked an easy penalty goal. Wests 2, University, nil. Near Wests' 25, Mead obtained from a scrum and passed to McGlinn, who ran to the blind side, beat several opponents, and returned to Mead. The latter passed forward. A moment later Wests' full-back, Davis, misfielded the ball near the line, and Mannix, following on fast, gathered and scored. McInerney converted with a good kick from the corner. University 5, Wests 2. Dull play followed till McInerney broke through near the centre and passed to Ogg, who was tackled. A penalty relieved the pressure for Wests. Play was taken to 'Varsity's 25 line, with Wests attacking strongly, but Brogan incurred a penalty for offside. A moment later Mead rushed over in the corner from a scrum. He passed to McGlinn, who reversed, and Mead scored. Cornwell converted with a fine kick from the corner. Wests 7. University 5. A good line-kick by 'Varsity's full-back, McRae, gained 40 yards. A scrum occurred near the corner in University's territory. Mead brilliantly went through the pack to score; Cornwell failed to convert. Wests 10, University 5. A moment later Wests were in again. Rhodes, running strongly, gave a good pass to Morris, who raced ahead unopposed to score under the posts. Mead converted. Wests 15, University 5. Wests were now attacking strongly and running all over their opponents. Morris passed to Ridley, who scored. Cornwell converted with a good kick. Western Suburbs 20, University 5. McGlinn intercepted, ran strongly, and passed to Sponberg, who scored. Mead converted. Western Suburbs 25, University 5. Half-time scores:—Western Suburbs 25. University 5.

Good play between McInerney and Johnston nearly resulted in a try for Uni. within a minute of the resumption, Johnstone was tackled near the line, and University attacked strongly. Ridley scored a fine try when he obtained possession near half-way, and beat several opponents on the way to the corner. Cornwell failed to convert. Wests 28, Uni, 5. Faulty judgment in going for the ball by Davis gave University its second try. Ogg, following on fast, gathered and went over in the corner. McInerney converted with a good kick from the corner. Western Suburbs 28, University 10. After a long period of scrambling play Mead passed to Rhodes, who scored. Mead converted. Wests 33, Uni. 10. Full-time. **(The Sun 6th August 1932)**

Young Davis, who filled McMillan's boots yesterday, didn't find the job a very comfortable one. After Clyde Cant's display with the reserves, it looks as if Wests' selectors slipped a cog. **(Truth 7th August 1932)**

Notes: Frank McMillan and Cliff Pearce were both out playing for NSW. Richard Davis, replacing McMillan, didn't have a very good game. On the other hand, the backs again gave a dazzling display and had another high scoring win. Les Mead was knocked out early on but showed his toughness by coming back to have another dominant match. Alan Ridley scored another couple of tries and was the leading try scorer. Wests' depth was emphasised with their scoring of 119 to 17 in all three grades, including 62 in Seconds.