



1910 Round 12 Saturday 27th August Wentworth Park



Annandale 25

Charlie HEDLEY (c)
George WILCOX
A BRYANT
Roy NORMAN
Bernard NORMAN
Rex NORMAN
Ray NORMAN
J McPHERSON
Thomas BROWNLEE
S LYONS
Robert GRAY
Walter HADDOCK
D STUART

def.

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

Western Suburbs 3

Bill MEDCALF
James OGILVIE
Frank FEENEY
George PATERSON
Claude McFAYDEN
Reginald BALDOCK
Horace ALDERSON
Tom DOWSELL
Ernest HEALEY
Ted MEAD (c)
D McDONALD
Sam PERRY
Wal BARCLAY



Tries George WILCOX (2)
J McPHERSON
Bernard NORMAN
Roy NORMAN

Wal BARCLAY

Goals Charlie HEDLEY (4)
Walter HADDOCK

Match Description

Western Suburbs.— Full-back, Medcalf; three-quarters, Ogilvie, Feeney, G. Patterson, McFadden; halves, Baldock, Alderson; forwards, Barclay, Perry, M'Donald, Mead, Healey, Dowsnell

Annandale— Full-back, C Hedley; three-quarters, G Wilcox, A. Bryant, Roy Norman, B. Norman; halves;. Rex Norman, Ray Norman; forwards, W. Stuart, G. Gray, W, Haddock, J Lyons, Brownlie, McPherson. **Referee. Mr. A Ballerum.**

The attendance was about 60 when Annandale kicked off against a strong wind. Play was interesting until Alderson secured the ball from a scrum, passed to Patterson, who was downed near the 25. Wests attacked strongly, but the defence was good, and they were sent back. A few minutes later Annandale were awarded a free kick near the 25, and Hedley kicked a splendid goal. Annandale 2, Western Suburbs nil. Even play followed, until Annandale backs carried the ball into Wests' territory, where Rex Norman secured, and passed to B. Norman, who centred. Wilcox then secured, and scored behind the posts. Roy Norman failed at goal. Annandale 5, Western Suburbs nil. At half-time the scores were unchanged.

On resuming, play was even until Mead carried the ball beyond half-way, where he lost the ball. Soon after B. Norman secured, and after a good run scored in the corner. Hedley converted. Annandale 10, Western Suburbs nil. A few minutes later Haddock took a mark, and Hedley kicked a great goal from half-way. Annandale 12, Western Suburbs nil. Soon afterwards Bryant intercepted a pass near half-way, ran well to the 25, where he lost the ball. Wilcox picked up, and after a strong run scored in a good position. Hedley converted. Annandale 17, Western Suburbs nil. Annandale returned to the attack, and McPherson following up a long punt secured and scored. Haddock added the extra points. Annandale 22, Western Suburbs nil. Almost immediately after Roy Norman, from near the 25, ran through the opposing backs, and scored. Haddock's kick was a failure. Annandale 25, Western Suburbs nil. Western Suburbs then took a turn at attacking, and a good passing rush ended in Barclay scoring a try. Medcalf failed at goal. Annandale 25, Western Suburbs 3. These were the final scores (**Evening News 27th August 1910**).

Annandale lambasted the fruit-pickers a treat out at Wentworth Park. The Norman troupe of acrobats had plenty of scope to show their tricks to perfection, and they made full use of the opportunity. Wests played like a pick-up second grade team, and never had a chance from the start.

Owing to the early match falling through, "Fireworks" Finnigan and "Beauteous" Ballerum engaged the vast audience with a goal-kicking competition for a packet of fags. It was a most soul-thrilling affair, the ball on several occasions going within fully thirty yards of the posts. The judges could not decide on a winner, and the kick-off takes place at the referee's picnic. (**Sydney Sportsman 31st August 1910**)

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Notes: Note the four Norman brothers playing for Annandale. One, Roy Norman, had an interesting game. The SMH reports "...Perry's tackle on Roy Norman was a severe one, causing his retirement from the game..." but he came back on and scored a brilliant try and then '...Feeney lost his temper and struck Roy Norman several times..... he was cautioned'! This game is another example of how Wests were struggling at this time. The Wests second grade forfeited to North Sydney on this day, not for the first time in the season and the new players, Baldock, Healey and Dowsell came from that Second-Grade team. Note the Sportsman report on two referees having a kick-off for a packet of fags!