



# 1962 Round 13 Sunday 15th July Sports Ground



## Eastern Suburbs 11

def.

## Western Suburbs 7

John ANDREW  
 Bill RONEY  
 Doug RICKETSON  
 Peter GALLAGHER  
 Bob LANDERS  
 Bruce RAINIER  
 Tony STAVRIANOS  
 Bob HEFFERNAN  
 Terry FEARNLEY (c)  
 Merv CROSS  
 Geoff WALDIE  
 Ken ASHCROFT  
 Nev CHARLTON

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

Don PARISH  
 Norm DHU  
 Gil MacDOUGALL  
 Bill BROWN  
 John MOWBRAY  
 Roger BUTTENSHAW  
 Don MALONE  
 Kevin SMYTH  
 Kel O'SHEA (c)  
 Jim CODY  
 Denis MEANEY  
 Noel KELLY  
 John HAYES  
 Robert MCGUINNESS



**Tries**  
 Bob LANDERS  
 Bob HEFFERNAN  
 Merv CROSS

Don MALONE

**Goals**  
 Bob LANDERS (1)

Don PARISH (2)

### Match Description

**Eastern Suburbs:** Full-back: J Andrew; three-quarters: W Roney, D Ricketson, P Gallagher, R Landers; five-eighth: B Rainier; half: A Stavrianos; forwards: R Heffernan, T Fearnley (c), M Cross, G Waldie, K Ashcroft, N Charlton

**Western Suburbs:** Full-back: D Parish; three-quarters: N Dhu, **F Norden**, G McDougall, **P Dimond**; five-eighth: R Buttenshaw; half: D Malone; forwards: K Smyth, K O'Shea (c), J Cody, D Meaney, N Kelly, **W Carson** **Referee: C Brown (as per program Rugby League News 14-15th July 1962)** \*players in italics definitely out – replacements to be decided.

Eastern Suburbs yesterday scored three tries to one to defeat Western Suburbs 11-7 in their Rugby League match at the Sports Ground. ... Lock-forward Bob Heffernan scored the opening try for Easts, when he backed up to take a reverse pass from centre Bill Roney. Heffernan just had enough pace to reach the line as he was tackled. Winger Bob Landers scored for Easts after a run of 50 yards. Landers palmed his opposing winger to break clear, and moved inside two defenders coming at him. He then ran right through the tackle of full-back Don Parish to score. The third try for Easts which gave it a winning margin was scored by second-row forward Merv Cross. Cross caught the defence napping after a play-the-ball near the line. There was constant fire in the Easts' attack and the side always appeared dangerous. Easts' hooker Ken Ashcroft won the scrums 21-10. Only tigerish defence kept the Easts' score down to three tries. ... Wests were always trying, but missed the speed and initiative of Australian half Arthur Summons, who was replaced by Roger Buttenshaw. Scrums were even until hooker Noel Kelly was sent from the field. From then on Wests mostly were chasing the ball. The try scored by Wests' five-eighth was a beauty. At least eight players handled the ball, which went across the field then came back to the centre. Malone was in position to take advantage of a gap in the defence for a try between the posts. **(Daily Telegraph 16th July 1962)**

Charges of deliberate provoking tactics designed to get men sent off were made after yesterday's Rugby League match between Easts and Wests at the Sports Ground. Easts' prop forward, Nev Charlton, was sent off seven minutes before the end of the first half and Wests' hooker, Noel Kelly, was ordered off only a couple of minutes later. Easts shocked Wests, who were running second in the premiership, by winning 11-7. After the game Easts' officials alleged that Charlton was provoked into actions which resulted in him being sent off. Easts' men claimed that as a former Western Suburbs player, Charlton would never throw punches at men who were once his club-mates. One official said it was Wests' objective to get rid of Charlton. Wests disclaimed this and made a counter-allegation that Kelly was deliberately provoked – and this was denied by Easts. By his actions early in the match, referee Cliff Brown prevented a fiery game getting out of control when punches were thrown. Wests' lock Kevin Smyth was flattened twice, once with a left hook. As Wests front row parted, Charlton was struck and one tooth was knocked out; three others may have to be extracted. Charlton, who said all his teeth were loosened, also had two stitches in his left knee. Wests badly missed Arthur Summons, Bill Carson and Peter Dimond. To handicap them more, smart centre Gil MacDougall had to leave the field with injury after 27 minutes play.. .... A fine impression was also made by Wests' second-rower, Jim Cody. **(The Sun 16th July 1962)**

**Notes:** There is considerable confusion about who actually took the field in this match. Summons, Norden, Dimond and Carson were definitely out and Gil MacDougall was replaced in the first half after a serious injury. Roger Buttenshaw definitely replaced Arthur Summons and it is likely based on other evidence that John Mowbray came onto the wing, Bill Brown replaced Norden, John Hayes replaced Bill Carson and Robert McGuinness came on as a replacement for Gil MacDougall. With such a reshuffled team Wests struggled to have any cohesion. It didn't help that Noel Kelly was once again sent off after a violent altercation with ex-Wests star Nev Charlton.