1960 Round 13 Saturday 2nd July Cumberland Oval



def.

Parramatta 15



Darcy RUSSELL
Dave BARSLEY
Dick POOLE (c)
Bernie KELLY
Peter DIMOND
Roger BUTTENSHAW
Keith HOLMAN
Max CARTER
Kel O'SHEA
Bill CARSON
Denis MEANEY
John DAWSON
John CONNA

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

Brian COX
Mick DUNNING
Keith GRIFFITHS
Paul PYERS (c)
Kevin HOLE
Allan ELWORTHY
Rob GAIR
Bill PATTERSON
Matt JOHNSTON
Noel CORNWALL
Roy FISHER
Keith HARRISON
Lindsay ARMOUR

Tries Bernie KELLY (2)
Roger BUTTENSHAW

Peter DIMOND
Dave BARSLEY

Goals Darcy RUSSELL (5)

Paul PYERS (2) Rob GAIR

Paul PYERS (3)

Match Description

Western Suburbs: Full-back: D Russell; three-quarters: D Barsley, B Kelly, R Poole (c), P Dimond; five-eighth: R Buttenshaw; half: K Holman; forwards: M Carter, W Carson, K O'Shea, D Meaney, J Dawson, G Russell

Parramatta: Full-back: B Cox; three-quarters: M Dunning, P Pyers (c), K Griffiths, K Hole; five-eighth: A Elworthy; half: R Gair; forwards; W Patterson, N Cornwall, M Johnston, R Fisher, K Harrison, L Armour Referee: W Kelly (as per program Rugby League News 2-3rd July 1960 + newspaper validation Sunday Telegraph 3rd July 1960)

Although beaten for the ball, speed and splendid footwork by the backs enabled Wests to beat Parramatta by 25-15 at Cumberland Oval yesterday. Harrison, who hooked for Parramatta in place of Rayner, won all the scrums in the first 15 minutes, Pyers scoring for Parramatta two minutes after the kick-off. But when Wests finally got a share of the ball their smarter back-line constantly probed Parramatta's defence. Early, it was centre Bernie Kelly who gave Parramatta most trouble but he was injured near half-time and though he returned and played on the wing, he was still hampered by the injury. There was complete understanding among Wests' backs and they moved the ball about in good style. Holman was smart behind the scrums and, on several occasions, kicked the ball through to gain 30 yards. Pyers was the only Parramatta back to penetrate and had Test player Boden been in the side the result could have been different. Parramatta scored the brightest try of the match when Wests were leading 15-7. On their own 25, second-row Mat Johnston made a break, sending the ball to Griffiths on the wing. Gair ranged alongside and, taking a neat pass, stepped inside Russell's tackle to score in a handy position. Full-back Darcy Russell kicked five goals for Wests to take his tally to 109 for the season. Attendance was 4,402. (The Sun-Herald 3rd July 1960)

Western Suburbs had to battle to defeat a game Parramatta side at Cumberland Oval yesterday. Wests won 25-15 after leading 11-7 at half-time. Two late tries kept Parramatta within striking distance of their rivals until the final minutes. Paul Pyers scored his second try less than three minutes from full-time, reducing Parramatta's leeway to five points. Speedy winger Dave Barsley sealed the match with an individualist try between the posts right on the bell. Wests played throughout the second-half virtually a man short after centre Bernie Kelly badly injured a knee. He moved to the wing for the rest of the game, but could do little more than stagger around. Wests' bigger forwards proved too strong for Parramatta. Peter Dimond, who moved into the centre position in the second-half, Dick Poole and Dave Barsley made many spirited bursts downfield. With their big forwards opening up the defence, Wests kept Parramatta defending grimly for long periods. But Parramatta stuck to its task sternly and snapped up any opportunity to attack. Centre Paul Pyers again played impressively for Parramatta, scoring 12 of the team's points. Pyers scored his first try two minutes after the start following a dash by winger Kevin Hole. Parramatta dominated possession early, and looked dangerous on several occasions. Wests won its first scrum after 20 minutes, and Kelly darted through from 25 yards out to score between the posts. Kelly's injury took much of the vigour out of the Wests' backline. (Sunday Telegraph 3rd July 1960)

Notes: Bernie Kelly was outstanding in the first half but, after a knee injury, was a passenger for the second half. Peter Dimond went into the centre and was dynamic, while Dave Barsley scored the sealing try right on full-time. The Wests' forwards, with O'Shea back in the pack, dominated the Parramatta opposing pack. Holman played his usual bustling, dominating game.