



1934 Round 14 Saturday 4th August North Sydney Oval



Western Suburbs 26

def.

North Sydney 10

Frank McMILLAN (c)
Vince SHEEHAN
Stan TANCRED
Alan BRADY
Alan RIDLEY
Alec McDONALD
Vic HEY
Frank SPONBERG
Max GRAY
Jack McCONNELL
Charlie CORNWELL
Bob LINDFIELD
Alan BLAKE

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

Stan RIDGEWAY
T BEAUMONT
K SMALL
Doug DEITZ
Grantley BENNETT
Rex HARRISON
Jim FLOWER (c)
Harry FORBES
Ray GILLAM
Eric BENNETT
Noel FERRIER
Fred NOLAN
A LYONS

Tries

Vic HEY (2)
Alan BRADY
Alan BLAKE
Alan RIDLEY
Stan TANCRED

T BEAUMONT
Ray GILLAM

Goals

Charlie CORNWELL (4)

Doug DEITZ (2)

Match Description

Western Suburbs: Full-back: F McMillan (capt); three-quarters: A Ridley, A Brady, S Tancred, V Sheehan; halves: V Hey, A McDonald; forwards: F Sponberg, J McConnell, M Gray, C Cornwell, R Linfield, A Blake

North Sydney: Full-back: S Ridgeway; three-quarters: T Beaumont, K Small, D Deitz, G Bennett; halves: R Harrison, J Flower (capt); forwards: H Forbes, E Bennett, R Gillam, A Lyons, F Nolan, N Ferrier **Referee: L Deane (Rugby League News 11th August 1934)**

..... Western Suburbs' opening try came after North Sydney had been attacking strongly. A fine kick by McMillan found the line near the North Sydney twenty-five yards flag. Then a good rush, in which Ridley, Brady, Sheehan and McConnell figured, brought play close to the North Sydney line, where Hey secured from a ruck, and wriggling between offenders scored a good try. North Sydney's opening score was a result of a most unusual happening shortly after this try. They had launched another attack, and with play in Western Suburbs' territory, Deitz kicked to McMillan near the goal-posts. The full-back's kick was knocked down, and rolled towards the wing. Gillam rushing up, fell on it. Deitz converted. This was in the early part of the first half, and North Sydney did not score again until the full-time bell had sounded. Western Suburbs had been successfully storming the line when suddenly Small broke away from a scrum, and sent the ball on to Beaumont, who easily evaded McMillan at half-way, and then ran unopposed, leaving Deitz an easy goal. After North Sydney's first try, Ridley, Brady and Hey carried the attack to the line, but Ridgeway eased the strain with a splendid kick. McConnell, who was playing finely, kicked well, and Blake, getting possession on the wing, carried on till he sent Brady over in a good position for Cornwell to convert. Western Suburbs came again, Blake scoring after the ball had been handled by McDonald, Brady and Gray, Cornwell again converting. There was no further score before half-time when Western Suburbs led by 13 points to 5.

North Sydney launched another strong attack on resuming, but was unfortunate. Twice McMillan forced, and once he rushed it over the dead-ball line. Again it was Hey who helped Western Suburbs out. He got possession inside the twenty-five, and sent to Sheehan, to Tancred, who short-kicked. Ridley picked up and scored in the corner. Cornwell converted. After Cornwell had kicked a good goal from a penalty, play remained for a time near half-way. ... Ridley relieved with a kick to centre, where Hey intercepted a pass. When blocked, he kicked, and following up, again secured to run right in. Cornwell converted. Hey was responsible for Western Suburbs' next, and last, try when he started Ridley off from the twenty-five. The ball then went to McDonald to Tancred, who ran strongly and scored as he was tackled by Ridgeway. For Western Suburbs, Hey played a prominent part throughout, and in addition to scoring two tries he was in every movement, as well as proving a rock in defence. Ridley and Brady played well, although the former was inclined, at times, to run across the ground. McMillan, whose kicking was faultless, was not so sure in handling and tackling as Ridgeway, who played a capital game. McConnell, Cornwell and Blake were outstanding in the forwards. ... **(The Sydney Morning Herald 6th August 1934)**

Notes: Wests were back in form, led very strongly by Vic Hey who made numerous breaks. Cornwell continued his good form and Tancred was at his side-stepping best. Easts also won on the day, making a play-off necessary for the Minor Premiership.