



# 1958 Round 15 Saturday 26th July Cricket Ground



## Western Suburbs 34

def.

## Manly-Warringah 7

Darcy RUSSELL (c)  
 Fred GRABER  
 Don MALONE  
 Peter DIMOND  
 Bernie KELLY  
 Darcy HENRY  
 Keith HOLMAN  
 Doug JONES  
 Kel O'SHEA  
 Bill CARSON  
 Mark PATCH  
 Bede GOFF  
 Nev CHARLTON

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

Ron WILLEY (c)  
 Ray RITCHIE  
 Ray QUINNELL  
 Bill LLOYD  
 George HUGO  
 Alf MADDEN  
 Peter BURKE  
 Jim PEEBLES  
 Rex MOSSOP  
 Doug DALEY  
 Denis MEANEY  
 George LENON  
 Roy BULL

### Tries

Darcy HENRY (3)  
 Peter DIMOND (2)  
 Doug JONES

Ray RITCHIE

### Goals

Darcy RUSSELL (8)

Ron WILLEY (2)

### Match Description

**Western Suburbs:** Full-back: D Russell; three-quarters: F Graber, D Malone, P Dimond, B Kelly; five-eighth: D Henry; half: K Holman; forwards: D Jones, K O'Shea, W Carson, N Charlton, B Goff, M Patch

**Manly-Warringah:** Full-back: R Willey; three-quarters: R Ritchie, R Quinnell, W Lloyd, G Hugo; five-eighth: A Madden; half: P Burke; forwards: J Peebles, R Mossop, D Daley, D Meaney, G Lenon, R Bull **Referee: C Brown (The Sun 26th July 1958)**

Western Suburbs Rugby League team yesterday scored 22 points in the last 20 minutes of its match against Manly to win 34-7. The match at the Sydney Cricket Ground was a fiasco. Manly lost half-back Peter Burke, with a broken shin, 15 minutes after the start. Burke will not play again this season. This is a drastic blow to Manly's premiership hopes. Manly yesterday was leading 3-2 when it lost Burke. But Manly would not have won if it had remained at full strength. Wests' tough pack – Jones, O'Shea, Carson, Charlton, Goff and Patch – had complete command of the match. They systematically went about softening Manly with a type of football which was anything but exhilarating. Manly, which had to withdraw lock Jim Peebles from the pack to take half-back Burke's place gradually weakened. When Manly finally cracked midway through the second half, the absence of a lock enabled Wests' lock Doug Jones, half-back Keith Holman and five-eighth Darcy Henry to run at will. Jones, Holman and Henry had the time of their lives. Henry finished with three tries. Only a handful of the 13,949 spectators stayed on to see the slaughter at the finish. Manly, over the closing stages, provided a pitiful sight. Wests' football throughout the match was dull but purposeful. Its forwards, with Holman behind them, are going to make Wests a very difficult team to beat in this competition. Big, snowy-haired front-rower Mark Patch, whom Wests recently dropped to reserve grade, has returned to his former position. He made several dynamic bursts from the rucks, which split Manly's inside defence. Second-rower Kel O'Shea exposed the Australian selectors' ridiculous decision to play him as lock in the Tests against England. O'Shea, back in his old berth yesterday, reproduced his old talents. A 60-yard bumping run he made in the first-half was one of the highlights of the match. ... **(Sunday Telegraph 27th July 1958)**

...With 13 minutes remaining, West led 14-7. But then West rushed on four tries, all converted by full-back Darcy Russell, in eighth minutes, and Manly's tired forwards gave up. The damage was done around the scrum, where half-back Keith Holman was ready to take advantage of the absence of the opposing lock. Five-eighth Darcy Henry and lock-forward Doug Jones were strong allies. It was Henry who began the Manly collapse when the second half was well advanced. He gathered the bouncing ball which prop forward Mark Patch had tossed in-field, and scooted for second of his three tries. Jones ran strongly from scrums and rucks. Test winger Peter Dimond made up for some mishandling by running hard for this two tries, one in each half, and he tackled solidly. .... Hooker George Lenon had a good early lead over Bede Goff, but with the loss of a forward from the scrum he finished two down. .... Russell took his goal-kicking chances from comfortable positions in the second half, and finished with eight goals from 14 attempts. **(Sun-Herald 27th July 1958)**

**Notes:** Manly lost their half-back, Peter Burke, early, with a broken leg and this allowed Wests to eventually run over the top of Manly, scoring 22 points in the last 20 minutes. Even before then, however, the Wests' pack was totally on top, allowing Holman and Darcy to run at will. Mark Patch had been recently dropped to reserve grade but returned to top form in this match. Peter Dimond continued his try-scoring ways with two typical crashing runs.