



1960 Round 16 Saturday 23rd July Cricket Ground



Western Suburbs 28

def.

Eastern Suburbs 7

Darcy RUSSELL
 Dave BARSLEY
 Bill BROWN
 Dick POOLE (c)
 Peter DIMOND
 Roger BUTTENSCHAW
 Keith HOLMAN
 Bill TONKIN
 Bill CARSON
 Garry RUSSELL
 Denis MEANEY
 John DAWSON
 Nev CHARLTON

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

John ANDREW
 Boyce BEETON
 Peter GALLAGHER
 Doug RICKETSON
 Bob LANDERS
 Bill MCNAMARA
 Bruce RAINIER
 Bob McDONAGH
 Bob HEFFERNAN
 Brian WRIGHT
 Jack GIBSON
 Ken ASHCROFT
 Terry FEARNLEY (c)

Tries

Dave BARSLEY (2)
 Bill BROWN
 Garry RUSSELL
 Darcy RUSSELL
 Roger BUTTENSCHAW

Bob LANDERS

Goals

Darcy RUSSELL (5)

Bob LANDERS (2)

Match Description

Western Suburbs: Full-back: D Russell; three-quarters: D Barsley, W Brown, R Poole (c), P Dimond; five-eighth: R Buttenshaw; half: K Holman; forwards: W Tonkin, W Carson, G Russell, D Meaney, J Dawson, N Charlton

Eastern Suburbs: Full-back: J Andrew; three-quarters: B Beeton, P Gallagher, D Ricketson, B Landers; five-eighth: W McNamara; half: B Rainier; forwards: R McDonagh, B Heffernan, B Wright, J Gibson, K Ashcroft, T Fearnley (c) **Referee: D Lawler (Daily Mirror 23rd July 1960)**

Western Suburbs Rugby League team yesterday enhanced its premiership prospects with an overwhelming 28-7 win over Eastern Suburbs at Sydney Cricket Ground. ... Easts played three-parts of the match a man short. It lost State front-rower Terry Fearnley, who suffered a dislocation and torn ligaments in his left knee. Wests had a strong grip on the game when Fearnley left. It led 13-5. Wests lost half-back Keith Holman with a leg injury five minutes before the end. ... The first five minutes of play produced a surfeit of thrills. Easts, running into a stiff southerly wind, unluckily missed a try two minutes after the start. Easts' winger Landers opened the scores with a penalty goal in the seventh minute. It was a splendid goal kicked from a difficult angle at 45 yards range into the wind. Four minutes later, Landers scored a try. Full-back Andrew gave Landers a 35-yard run down the left flank. Landers' strength got him through to score in the corner. The try, which Landers failed to convert, gave Easts a 5-0 lead. Winger Barsley put Wests back in the picture with a splendid try in the 19th minute. Half-back Holman started the move from a scrum 40 yards from the line. He ran wide, turned the ball inside to lock Tonkin. Tonkin got the ball to second-rower Russell, who had moved up on the inside. Russell then sent the ball out to Barsley, to set off down the left flank. Barsley beat rival winger Beeton badly, stepped around full-back Andrew and crossed the line with second-rower Heffernan hanging around his legs. This try started a scoring feast in which Wests added 13 points in six minutes. Full-back Russell moved up into a raid to score the second try. He stepped his way through tentative tackles to cross near the goalposts. Centre Brown similarly made short work of Easts' defence to score the third try. Russell converted two of these three quick tries. Wests then led 13-5, after 25 minutes' play. Easts lost front-rower Fearnley with an injured leg three minutes later. The other front-rower, Jack Gibson, took command of the forwards in Fearnley's absence. Gibson tightened Easts' forwards to weather the storm. He made short, barging runs and got good support from second-rowers Wright and Heffernan. ... Wests turned on the pressure in the closing stages of the first half. ... Wests gained a death grip on the game with another try in the third minute of the second half. Winger Barsley, in a 20-yard burst down the left flank, skipped over front-rower Gibson's tackle and scored in the corner. The try, which Russell failed to convert, increased Wests' lead to 16-7. Wests then went to a 21-7 lead with a converted try three minutes later. Half-back Holman paved the way for the try. He ran from the base of a scrum 60 yards out and kicked downfield. Wests' players chased the ball like a marauding wolf-pack. Five-eighth Buttenshaw heading the raid, scored the try 10 yards from the goalposts. Russell converted the try. Holman took advantage of the absence of a lock in the Easts' pack. He moved smartly and set Wests' back moving in spectacular passing raids. Full-back Russell chimed into the raids and added to Easts' worries. ... Wests added seven points in the last six minutes. Second-rower Garry Russell added a try which full-back Russell converted. Darcy Russell later kicked a penalty goal. This increased Wests' lead to 28-7. **(Sunday Telegraph 24th July 1960)**

Notes: Wests continued their good form to convincingly defeat Eastern Suburbs. Holman injured a leg five minutes before full-time. Up until then he had been the best player on the field. Bill Brown came in for Harry Wells who had a bruised, swollen knee, while John Dawson came in for Goff who had an injured back. Russell, Buttenshaw and Charlton also sustained injuries. Easts played with 12 men for 60 minutes after Fearnley injured a knee. Dick Poole had his best game of the season while Bill Carson stood out in the forwards.