



1951 Round 3 Saturday 21st April Sports Ground



Western Suburbs 24

def.

Eastern Suburbs 17

Don WORNE
 Jack WALL
 Dev DINES
 Bob DIMOND
 Pat LEAL
 Frank STANMORE
 Keith HOLMAN
 Peter LONG
 Arthur COLLINSON
 Kevin HANSEN (c)
 Bill HORDER
 Alan HORNER
 Don STAIT

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

Alan COOK (c)
 Don WHITE
 Kevin WALLACE
 Brian HORNE
 Billy REINHOLD
 Ben HENRY
 Matthew DONOHOE
 Bill SULLIVAN
 Charlie BANKS
 Ferris ASHTON
 Don DENGATE
 George BREWIS
 John BELL

Tries

Dev DINES (2)
 Pat LEAL (2)
 Bob DIMOND
 Jack WALL

Charlie BANKS
 Alan COOK
 Billy REINHOLD

Goals

Don WORNE (3)

Alan COOK (4)

Match Description

Eastern Suburbs: Full-back: A Cook (c); three-quarters: D White, B Horne, K Wallace, W Reinbold; five-eighth: D Henry; half: C Donohoe; forwards: W Sullivan, C Banks, F Ashton, D Dengate, G Brewis, J Bell

Western Suburbs: Full-back: D Worne; three-quarters: P Leal, R Dimond, D Dines, J Wall; five-eighth: F Stanmore; half: K Holman; forwards: A Collinson, P Long, K Hansen (c), W Horder, A Hornery, D Stait **Referee: J O'Brien (Rugby League News 9th May 1951)**

A "pep" talk at half-time by Western Suburbs captain Key Hansen transformed his team from a ragged into a first-class side. Wests, down 4-15 at half time, beat Eastern Suburbs 24-17 before a crowd of 4730, at Sydney Sports Ground. Hansen's talk was so successful that East's only score in the second half was a goal. East's played the second half against a strong south-westerly wind, but it was Wests more than the wind which beat the team. After Hansen's talk, Wests shaped well. Wests attacked consistently in the second half, and East's could not maintain its high first-half standard of play. In the first half East's dominated play. East's scored three tries and Alan Cook, full-back-captain, kicked three goals and scored a try. Wests, against the wind, dropped passes, and showed no sign of combination. O'Brien cautioned several players in the first half for rough play. As the teams left the field at half-time he was hooted by the crowd. At the start of the second half O'Brien ordered a scrum at half-way. Wests won the ball and when centre Bob Dimond received a pass he cut through East's' defence with a brilliant 30-yard dash. Dimond then passed to winger Pat Leal who, after having juggled the ball, dived over to score in the corner. Five minutes later Dimond, after a clever cut-through from East's 25-yard line, scored. A few minutes later came the try of the match. Wests won a scrum at half-way. The ball went along the back division to full-back D. Worne, who had come up fast to make the extra man. Worne broke through, gained 25 yards, and passed to Dev Dines, who had followed him up on the outside. Dines raced for the left-hand corner. Hearing Cook, Dines propped cleverly, side-stepped, and. changed direction to score 15 yards from the corner. Two minutes later Dines appeared to score again, but the try was disallowed. Throughout the second half West centres, Dines and Dimond played brilliantly. **(The Daily Telegraph 22nd April 1951)**

Piling up 20 points to two in the second half, West's League team yesterday handed out a thorough caning to East's at the Sports Ground, 24 to 17. Two factors contributed to West's win — an intelligent use of a strong wind in the last half, and a 14 to 6 margin in the scrums. Given splendid service by Holman and Stanmore, Dines cut holes in East's' defence and was responsible for two tries and made the openings for two others. Dines' first try was a masterpiece of clever handling by the entire backline and when he finally got the ball, he left the opposition flat-footed. East's' full back and skipper Alan Cook, gave the 4730 spectators plenty of first half thrills. ... **(Truth 22nd April 1951)**

Dev Dines was 21 last Saturday and to celebrate the occasion he turned on one of the best games he has played with us..... A welcome return to his best form by Frank Stanmore pleased both players and patrons... Pat Leal, after a somewhat shaky start, has now settled down and is could easily become a force to be reckoned with in the big games before the season concludes. **(Rugby League News 28th April 1951)**

Notes: Kevin Hansen took over the captaincy from Frank Stanmore and was immediately put to the test when Wests trailed 15-4. He gave a stirring pep talk and Wests, with the aid of a second half breeze, stormed home in a fiery match with lots of cautions. Hornery also dominated the second half scrums 14-6, allowing Dev Dines to run riot and have his best game so far for Wests. Don Stait returned to First Grade and also played strongly.