



# 1930 Round 4 Saturday 17th May Pratten Park



## Western Suburbs 18

def.

## St George 3

Frank McMILLAN  
 Alan BRADY  
 Ken SHERWOOD  
 Cliff PEARCE  
 Ray MORRIS  
 Norm JOHNSON  
 Jim CRAIG (c)  
 Frank MATTERSON  
 Charlie CORNWELL  
 Bill BROGAN  
 Frank SPILLANE  
 Bob LINDFIELD  
 Cecil RHODES

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

Jim McCORMACK  
 Eric FREEMAN  
 Jim WEARMOUTH  
 Tom CREWE  
 A WILLIAMS  
 Alf SADDLER  
 Norm FLEMING  
 Reg SCHUMAN  
 Bill HARDMAN  
 Percy FAIRALL  
 Charlie HYLAND  
 Arthur JUSTICE (c)  
 Walter GREENLANDS

### Tries

Alan BRADY  
 Ken SHERWOOD  
 Cliff PEARCE  
 Ray MORRIS

Jim McCORMACK (penalty try)

### Goals

Jim CRAIG (2)  
 Charlei CORNWELL (1)

### Match Description

**Western Suburbs:** Full-back, F McMillan; three-quarters, A Brady, C Pearce, K Sherwood, R Morris; halves, N Johnson, J Craig; forwards, W Brogan, R Lindfield, C Rhodes, F Spillane, C Cornwell, F Matterson

**St George:** Full-back, J McCormack; three-quarters, E Freestone, J Wearmouth, T Crew, A Williams; halves, N Fleming, A Sadler; forwards, W Greenland, A Justice (capt), B Hyland, W Hardman, R Shuman, P Fairall **Referee: W Neill**

Five thousand spectators saw Western Suburbs register their fourth successive win against their neighbours, St. George, at Earl Park. The margin of 18 to 3 is by no means a true reflection of the merits of the teams. On the day had the visitors displayed a little more cohesion, and a better understanding amongst the backs, the margin at the close would have been considerably reduced. On innumerable occasions when the defence was pierced, injudicious tactics nullified these dangerous incursions. Three of the four tries registered by the locals were from purely individual efforts that started from their own side of halfway. Territorially, the losers monopolised the situation, and it was only on rare occasions that the locals were able to hem their opponents in. While West's display was unimpressive, St. George displayed surprisingly improved form. In the first term, against a stiff breeze, the Black and Whites registered two tries and goals to a penalty try. Big winger Morris, who gave a magnificent display, started the movement for the first try. Cutting infield, he at once 'cut out' half a dozen defenders, and then, clapping on the pace, he sent to Craig, to Matterson, to Brady, who ran over in the corner. With a clinking kick from the touch line, Craig raised the flags. McCormack was awarded the next score, after receiving interference from McMillan, following a clever run and short punt, that beat the former, but who held McCormack. Pierce cut through brilliantly, to leave the opposition standing, after Craig and Johnson had handled, and ran in under the posts, for Craig to goal.

Western Suburbs, displaying the necessary finish when opportunity presented itself, were able to score two more tries on changing ends. The second one was the best, of the day. McMillan fielded a kick at halfway, and raced to the open side before sending to Matterson. The latter went straight, for ten yards, before transferring to Pearce, who sent to Sherwood, on to Morris, who cleverly propped, to scoot infield, and, brushing off a couple of opponents, finalised a spectacular movement. McCormack, Saints' custodian, was the best back on the ground. He made his redoubtable opponent, McMillan, look a novice. His catching was uncanny, while his kicking was faultless. In addition to scoring a well-earned penalty try, he saved two by deadly tackling. McMillan, on the other hand, was patchy, and too spectacular. Pearce and Morris both displayed exceptional initiative and resource. Craig was a trifle slow and uncertain in attack, but was sound in defence. Matterson displayed great dash and 'football brains' as lock forward for the winners. Brogan and Cornwell were the best of the remainder..... **Scorers.**— Western Suburbs: Brady, Pierce, Sherwood, and Morris tries : Craig (2) and Cornwell goal : St. George: J. McCormack a penalty try. **(Sunday Times 18th May 1930)**

**Notes:** This was the debut game for Charlie Cornwell who came down from Temora and got his start after Bill Carpenter injured his ankle. This was a fast, open game where the final score did not reflect the closeness of the game. There were a number of injuries sustained throughout the game, with Norm Johnson playing on with an injured foot. Jim McCormack was awarded a penalty try when he was blatantly held back off the ball by Frank McMillan.