



# 1931 Round 6 Saturday 20th June Marrickville Oval



## Western Suburbs 17

def.

## Newtown 15

Frank McMILLAN (c)  
 Alan RIDLEY  
 Ken SHERWOOD  
 Cliff PEARCE  
 Ray MORRIS  
 Harry CAMERON  
 Harry OWEN  
 Frank MATTERSON  
 Charlie CORNWELL  
 Bill RYAN  
 Bill BROGAN  
 Bob LINDFIELD  
 Cecil RHODES

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

Tom ELLIS  
 Fred HOCKEY  
 L McQUILLAN  
 Ernest RANIER  
 Jack KESSEY  
 Jack HOLMES (c)  
 Hans MORK  
 Stan WATERSON  
 Les BULL  
 Alf SMITH  
 Jack DAVIES  
 Arthur FOLWELL  
 George McCARTHY

### Tries

Cliff PEARCE (2)  
 Alan RIDLEY  
 Ray MORRIS  
 Frank MATTERSON

Fred HOCKEY  
 George McCARTHY  
 Ernest RANIER

### Goals

Harry OWEN (1)

Tom ELLIS (3)

### Match Description

**Western Suburbs:** Full-back, F. McMillan; three-quarters, R. Morris. K. Sherwood, C. Pearce, A. Ridley; halves, H. Cameron, H. Owen; forwards, F. Matterson, W. Ryan. C. Cornwell. W. Brogan. R. Lindfield, C. Rhodes.

**Newtown:** Full-back, T. Ellis; three-quarters, F. Hockey. E. Ranier, L. McQuillan, J. Kessey; halves, J. Holmes, H. Mork; forwards, A. Waterson, L. Bull, A. Smith, J. Davies, A. Folwell. G. McCarthy **Referee: C. McGrath. (The Sun 20th June 1931)**

Although they led by 11 points to 4 at half-time, Western Suburbs were hard pressed in the second half. The game opened sensationally. Newtown kicked off, the return going to Ellis. He failed to take the ball, and Ridley, who had followed up his kick, picked up and ran over in the corner. Western Suburbs did most of the attacking, but were frequently penalised, and lost many good openings in consequence. In fact, Newtown's points in the first half were two penalty goals by Ellis. Sherwood, the Western Suburbs three-quarter, was injured in a scramble just as the half-time bell went, but was able to resume early in the second half.

Newtown played with greatly improved combination after the interval and within a few minutes Ranier registered a try from an opening made by Hockey. Ellis converted, and with a difference of only two points in the scores Newtown's supporters became enthusiastic and excited. Another rush by Western Suburbs ended in C. Pearce scrambling over, but the try was not converted. Then Newtown carried play to Western Suburbs' line, and McCarthy scored a smart try. Western Suburbs came again with the best combined effort of the match. Cameron got the ball from a scrum at half-way, and sent to Sherwood to Ridley to Morris, who crossed; but McMillan failed to convert. Newtown rushed the kick-out down the field, and Hockey, picking up near the line, ran over. Newtown persistently attacked for the remainder of the term, but no further score resulted. McMillan, although not successful at goal-kicking, was safe and reliable at full-back for Western Suburbs. Cameron, who was playing his first game in the senior division, Sherwood, C. Pearce, and Morris were prominent in the back division, and Brogan and Matterson in the forwards. ....(Sydney Morning Herald 22nd June 1931)

West was lucky to win against Newtown. Although Pearce and Sherwood were lively throughout, some of the other Inter-State players seemed to be saving themselves for the Queensland trip. Cameron redeemed his promise in his first appearance as a half. He was sharp and snappy. Matterson played one of his best games and scored a try, worthy of any forward or back. 'Newtown's forwards, were ' O.K., but the backs were not in the same class. Mork had a day off, and Holmes was not at his best. Ellis played well in attack, but failed somewhat in defence. Waterson was overshadowed by Matterson, but Folwell held his own against Lindfield. (The Daily Telegraph 22nd June 1931)

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**Notes:** Wests scored in the first minute of this match due to a Newtown error but it was still a very hard fought win against a very determined opposition. Harry Cameron made his debut for the injured Jack Rosa and there were numerous comments on his small size. He had played 14 games in Seconds and Thirds in 1930 and had made a good impression. Bill Ryan also came into the forwards to replace Bill Carpenter, who had a broken hand, but Ryan was also injured during the match. "Dutchy" Matterson also showed that he was in very good form, worthy of continuing representative honours.