



# 1933 Round 6 Saturday 24th June Sports Ground



## Western Suburbs 37

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## Eastern Suburbs 22

Frank MCMILLAN  
 Les MIDSON  
 Cliff PEARCE (c)  
 Stan TANCRED  
 Alan BRADY  
 Vic HEY  
 Les MEAD  
 Frank SPONBERG  
 Jack McCONNELL  
 Charlie CORNWELL  
 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 DOWLING  
 Hilton DELANEY  
 Harleigh HANRAHAN  
 Dave BROWN  
 John LANE  
 Laurie WARD  
 Ernie NORMAN  
 Perc ATKINSON  
 Joe PEARCE (c)  
 Jack CRAIGIE  
 Ray STEHR  
 Dick BROWN  
 John CLARKE

### Tries

Vic HEY (2)  
 Alan BRADY  
 Charlie CORNWELL  
 Cliff PEARCE  
 Cecil RHODES  
 Stan TANCRED

Dave BROWN (2)  
 Dick BROWN  
 John CLARKE  
 Ray STEHR  
 Fred TOTTEY

### Goals

Les MEAD (6)  
 Frank McMILLAN (2) Field Goals

Ray STEHR (2)

### Match Description

**Western Suburbs:** Full-back: F McMillan; three-quarters: A Brady, C Pearce (capt), S Tancred, L Midson; halves: V Hey, L Mead; forwards: F Sponberg, C Cornwell, J McConnell, W Brogan, R Lindfield, C Rhodes

**Eastern Suburbs:** Full-back: T Dowling; three-quarters: H Delaney, D Brown, H Hanrahan, F Tottey; halves: L Ward, E Norman; forwards: P Atkinson, S Pearce (capt), J Craigie, R Stehr, R Brown, J Clarke **Referee: W Fry (Rugby League News 1st July 1933)**

Seven members of the team selected to tour England were listed to play, but Thicknesse and Ridley were unavailable, their positions being taken by Norman who was half-back in the Eastern Suburbs team, and Brady who played on the Western Suburbs wing. .... Western Suburbs had the advantage in the second session, McMillan making full use of the wind to keep Dowling on the run. Wests continued to get the ball from the scrums and rucks and tries came in quick succession. Eastern Suburbs was handicapped by the loss of a forward Craigie who left the field just before the Interval and was removed to hospital. Still, Western Suburbs was definitely superior and though D Brown scored a grand try early in this period it was only towards the close of the game that the Eastern Suburbs men could get their attacking machinery moving. The last two tries were scored, by Eastern Suburbs both being converted by Stehr, who had scored one .....

..... Eastern Suburbs scored first when Clark Intercepted at half way and when tackled passed to Atkinson who, in turn, sent to D Brown. This player was then caught and reversed to Atkinson. Clarke, who had just risen after his tackle, was handy and raced across. Two tries to Western Suburbs by Hey and Cornwell both converted by Mead gave Western Suburbs a 10 points to 3 lead but just before half time Tottey snatched the ball from McMillan and raced for the line. McMillan came from behind and caught Tottey's trousers. The winger made strenuous efforts to get clear but D Brown raced up to take a short pass and score an easy try. Another intercept, this time by D Brown, gave Eastern Suburbs a third try. In the second half D Brown scored another clever try, after Norman had broken away from the scrum, Brown outpacing the opposition A feature of the play at this stage was the form of McMillan, the Western full back, who landed two great field goals and narrowly missed a third. This kick was easily 55 yards from the goal posts and fell just under the bar. McMillan had played soundly throughout and overshadowed Dowling. ....Lindfield, by reason of his good hooking, must be given the honours among the Western forwards but Sponberg McConnell and Cornwell were very good in the loose and Brogan played another of his vigorous games. **(The Sydney Morning Herald 26th June 1933)**

The numerous friends of Alan Brady will be pleased to hear that he is now safely home from Lewisham Hospital, where he was an inmate for a fortnight as a result of an operation performed by the League's Medical Officer. This has proved to be successful, and Alan, having got rid of a painful encumbrance, should soon be seen showing some of that form that gained him representative honours in 1930. **(Rugby League News June 17th 1933)**

**Notes:** The Kangaroos were about to leave and Wests had already held a farewell for McMillan, Pearce, Mead and Ridley (Vic Hey would also be a late inclusion). Alan Ridley was out with the flu but Cecil Rhodes was back. Wests completely overran Easts in the second half when playing against 12 men (Craigie had been taken to hospital). Mead was again the star but it was remarkable that Alan Brady was on the field if you read the report of his hospitalisation.