



1960 Round 7 Sunday 15th May Sports Ground



Eastern Suburbs 16

def.

Western Suburbs 7

John ANDREW
 Don HARDY
 Doug RICKETSON
 Bill RONEY
 Bob LANDERS
 Billy McNAMARA
 Bruce RAINIER
 Dick SEE
 Bob McDONAGH
 Bob HEFFERNAN
 Jack GIBSON
 Ken ASHCROFT
 Terry FEARNLEY (c)

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

Darcy RUSSELL (c)
 Ian MOIR
 Harry WELLS
 Joe RYAN
 Dave BARSLEY
 Arthur SUMMONS
 Keith HOLMAN
 Doug JONES
 Garry RUSSELL
 Kel O'SHEA
 Denis MEANEY
 Bede GOFF
 Nev CHARLTON



Tries John ANDREW
 Bob McDONAGH

Harry WELLS

Goals Bob LANDERS (5)

Darcy RUSSELL (2)

Match Description

Western Suburbs: Full-back: D Russell (c); three-quarters: I Moir, H Wells, J Ryan, D Barsley; five-eighth: A Summons; half: K Holman; forwards: D Jones, G Russell, K O'Shea, D Meaney, B Goff, N Charlton

Eastern Suburbs: Full-back: J Andrew; three-quarters: D Ricketson, D Hardy, W Roney, B Landers; five-eighth: W McNamara; half: B Rainier; forwards: D See, B McDonagh, B Heffernan, J Gibson, K Ashcroft, T Fearnley (c) **Referee: D Lawler (As per program Rugby League News 14-15th May 1960 + changes The Sun 13th May 1960)**

Rugby League forward Neville Charlton yesterday lost his chance to make the State team when he suffered concussion in a match at the Sports Ground. Charlton, a Western Suburbs front rower, was injured 13 minutes before the end of the match against Eastern Suburbs. Easts won 16-7. Ambulancemen thought Charlton may have fractured his skull. But an X-ray at St. Vincent's Hospital last night revealed nothing more serious than concussion. Charlton played his way into State team calculations in the Sydney v Country Seconds at Sydney Cricket Ground on Saturday. He turned in another fine performance yesterday, although he was tired from Saturday's game. Charlton's injury ruled him out when selectors chose the State team last night to play Queensland tomorrow. Wests' five-eighth Arthur Summons suffered a probable broken nose shortly before half-time yesterday. The forwards paved the way for Easts' win. The Easts' pack, one of the best in Sydney, yesterday operated as a speedy, powerful unit to direct the play straight through the Wests' forwards. Easts' selectors face some embarrassment within the next few weeks when full-back Gordon Clifford recovers from the injury which has kept him out of recent games. Substitute full-back John Andrew has developed into one of Easts' most handy players since coming into the first grade team. Yesterday he scored a try, set up another and stopped two Wests' runs that seemed likely to bring tries. **(Daily Telegraph 16th May 1960)**

Wests have edged away from the opposition in the race for the club championship which carries the Flowers Memorial Pennant. Wests now lead by 26 points from Balmain with Manly back in third place, a further six points behind.....Wests' reserve grade coach Jack Fitzgerald is all smiles as his side is the only one still unbeaten in any grade. Fitzgerald, formerly a capable player with Wests, has plenty of talent available and has his side playing entertaining as well as solid football. **(Rugby League News 14-15th May 1960)**

High scoring reserve grade full-back Ken Bray has been missing from the Wests line-up for the past two matches but hopes to be back next Sunday. Ken sustained a broken nose. He originally was signed from Balmain as a substitute for Darcy Russell but Darcy is in the iron-man class and Ken has seldom had a first grade game. **(Rugby League News 17th May 1960)**

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Notes: Ian Moir and Nev Charlton had played for Sydney 2nds and Harry Wells and Bede Goff for Sydney Firsts on the Saturday. All backed up, but were a bit jaded. Dave Barsley came in, on the wing, for the still-injured Peter Dimond. Nev Charlton suffered a serious concussion which hampered the forward power. It was originally thought he had fractured his skull but was later cleared by X-rays. In a brighter note, the Reserve Grade side remained undefeated and Wests led the Club Championship by a considerable margin.