

1914 Round 7 Saturday 20th June Wentworth Park

Glebe 23 def. Western Suburbs 2

Dugald McGREGOR Fullback Harry CLARK Fred SAUNDERS Henry McILLMURRAY Wing Tom LEGGO Centre **Ephraim MISON** Mick SCANNELL Centre Henry NAYLOR Dave GARLICK Wing David WATSON Alec BOLEWSKI Five-eighth George GAGAN Chris McKIVAT (c) Half Cecil FOORD Frank BURGE Lock Arthur GILLETT Albert GRAY Second Row Martin ANDERSEN Alby BURGE Second Row Clarrie TYF Dan KELLY Front Row Fred LANE Jack BARTLEY Hooker William JOASS Edward COURTNEY (c) Jack KNIGHT Front Row

Jack REDMOND Reserve

Tries Alby BURGE (2)

Albert GRAY (2)
Dave GARLICK

Goals Alec BOLEWSKI (3) George GAGAN (1)

Alby BURGE (1)

Match Description

Glebe: Full-back, McGregor; three-quarters, Saunders, Leggo, Garlick, Scanian; halves, Bolewski, McKivat; forwards, A H Burge, Kelly, Knight, Grant, F Burge, Bartley

Western Suburbs: Full-back, Clarke; three-quarters, McIllmurray, Mison, Naylor, Watson; halves, Gagen, Foord; forwards, Courtney, Lane, Joass, Tye, Anderson and Gillett **Referee: Mr Hedley**

Courtney kicked off before a fair attendance, against a strong wind, and Wests' handling of the ball was faulty. This enabled Glebe to get many opportunities to open up the game. From a free kick in front of Wests' goal Bolewski made the score 2 points to nil. Scrums and free kicks were unusually frequent, and in the kick-out Wests shone in some good dribbling work, and Naylor narrowly missed a try..... Wests were off-side and McKivat's kick was taken by Naylor who executed one of the prettiest runs, beating all his opponents. Just when things were looking good the pass he gave to McIllmurray was fumbled, and a good chance was lost. The game at this stage was suspended, through Frank Burge straining his shoulder. He left the ground, and Glebe evidently missed him much. In play again, Glebe were penalised for off-side, and Gagan narrowly missed. Leggo and Scanlan tried hard to get over, but Wests' defence was impenetrable. Bolewski presently wriggled his way through a pack of big forwards, scored and converted. A B Burge scored shortly afterwards with a few men hanging on to him. His kick failed and the scores were; Glebe 10 points, Wests nil. Frank Burge resumed again, but was not so lively as before. A dazzling burst by Wests, instituted by Naylor, was stopped by Watson failing to take his pass. The play was then transferred to Wests' territory, where, in some rough work, Frank Burge's shoulder again gave trouble and he left the ground, his place being taken by Redmond. From a mark taken by A B Burge at half-way, a fine goal was kicked by him. The Western Suburbs' full-back overran a long kick, and McKivat nearly scored. Wests were playing grand football here, and Naylor, when within ten yards of the line, was pushed by Garlick, and Gagen made no mistake with the free kick. Half-time came with the scores: Glebe 12 points, Western Suburbs 2 points. Much give and take play was indulged in, until McKivat got away, only to be stopped by Clarke. Wests then did a great deal of attacking, and must have scored many times but for McGregor's defence Glebe were passing splendidly, and from half-way Grey got over in the corner. A B Burge failed at goal, and the scores were: Glebe 15 points, Western Suburbs 2 points. Glebe's efforts were always determined ones, and taking a long pass Burge scored again. Scannell failed to convert..... Just on full-time Gray scored a try and Bolewski converted it. The final scores were: Glebe 23 points, Western Suburbs 2 points (The Sun 20th June 1914)

"Steward's absence at half was a big loss, and several players were tried in that position. Naylor was their star, both in attack and defence; some of his individual efforts being highly praiseworthy. Nobody exceeded Naylor's efforts on the day." (The Saturday Referee and the Arrow 27th June 1914)

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Notes: This was the first match for David Watson, an ex-Newtown player. Arthur Gillett made a return to the forwards after many games in Seconds. This was a much closer game than the scores suggest. All match reports had Wests making numerous attacking runs but being unable to get the ball over the line. Naylor and McKivat took up their duel again, although it's not certain if Naylor was one of the players rotated through the half position. Naylor obviously had another outstanding game. Note the numerous misspellings of players' names in the account above. The account also has Bolewski scoring the first try for Glebe but this is corrected in subsequent editions to Dave Garlick being the scorer.

