

1913 Round 9 Saturday 12th July Wentworth Park

Glebe 27	def.	Western Suburbs 8
Dugald McGREGOR	Fullback	Harry CLARK
Roy ALGIE	Wing	Claude McFAYDEN
Jack HICKEY	Centre	Henry McILLMURRAY
Tom LEGGO	Centre	Henry NAYLOR
Roy NORMAN	Wing	Harold BISSETT
Chris McKIVAT (c)	Five-eighth	Ray STEWARD
Phil REGAN	Half	George GAGAN
Jack REDMOND	Lock	William JOASS
Sam GRIFFITHS	Second Row	Albert BURDUS
Sid PERT	Second Row	William FOORD
Jim DAVIS	Front Row	Alfred ROSE
Albert GRAY	Hooker	Westley EASTERBROOK
Dan KELLY	Front Row	Edward COURTNEY (c)
Roy ALGIE (2)		Harold BISSETT
Jack HICKEY (2)		Edward COURTNEY
Roy NORMAN		
Jack REDMOND		
Phil REGAN		
Roy ALGIE (1)		Harry CLARK (1)
Tom LEGGO (1)		
Dugald McGREGOR (1)		

Match Description

Glebe: Full-back, McGregor; three-quarters, Algie, Leggo, Norman, Hickey; halves, Regan, McKivat; forwards, Kelly, Pert, Griffiths, Graves, Davis, Redmond

Western Suburbs: Full-back, Clark; three-quarters, Bissett, McIllmurray, Naylor, McFayden; halves, Gagen, Steward; forwards, Courtney, Burdus, Joass, Easterbrook, Rose, Foord Referee, Mr A Farrow

Western Suburbs losing the toss, Foord kicked off. McKivat gathered in and was moving nicely when Steward brought him low. Regan, with a lovely sprint, took play to the opposing 25. In a willing tussle here, the defending side were penalised, and Algie landed a fine goal. Glebe 2 to nil. ... A further Glebe attack proved successful, Algie dashing over in the corner and scoring. The same player failed to convert. Glebe 5 to nil. Wonderfully even play saw both sides open up attacking movements, which quick tackling nipped short. Courtney was prominent in several forward sorties. Then Algie, fielding a flying leather, sailed along his wing, and was pulled up close to the opposing line. In some loose play here Algie again secured, and sprinting across, scored a clever try, which, however, he failed to convert, and Glebe led by 8 points to nil. It was not long before McKivat snapped up, passed to Algie, to Hickey, who raced across and scored in a good position. McGregor added the extras. Glebe, 13 to nil. Glebe were striving hard in a handy position when half-time arrived with the scores still Glebe 13 points, Western Suburbs nil.

Considerably in arrears, Western Suburbs attacked at once on resuming. Stewart secured in mid-field, and a fast movement by his backs ended in Bissett racing over and scoring in the corner. Clark failed to convert. Glebe 13, Western Suburbs 3. Almost at once Davis and Griffith headed a forward charge, which swept along the other end, where the local backs joined in, and Regan, the last to handle, raced over and grounded the leather. Algie failed at goal. Glebe 16, Western Suburbs 3 Some willing struggles ensued in Western Suburbs' territory, but Clark, Stewart and McIllmurray proved capable defenders, and the game was gradually shifted to neutral territory, where fast and exciting play was witnessed. A pass-out to Norman was cleverly gathered in a fast sprint along the wing gained a lot of ground. Then a pass to Redmond was fielded, and the forward crossed over and scored. Leggo added the extras. Glebe 21, Western Suburbs 3.

A penalty in favour of Western Suburbs saw Foord's kick fielded, and a Glebe attack went along the field in lively fashion. Past half-way Gray snapped up, sent to Griffiths, to Hickey, to Norman, who sailed along his wing wonderfully quick, and crossing the line, scored near the posts. Leggo failed to convert. Glebe 24 to 3. Western Suburbs now attacked strongly and Bissett was almost in on the wing. Then McGregor was brought low in attempting to bring out, and from a forward struggle near the local line Courtney picked up, fought his way across and scored. Clark converted. Glebe 24, Western Suburbs 8. Glebe guickly worked to the other end, where Leggo snapped up and passed to Hickey, who dashed over the line and grounded the leather. The same player failed at goal. Glebe 27, Western Suburbs 8. These were the final scores. (The Sun 12th July 1913)

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Notes: This was the first game for Henry McIllmurray. His full name was Nicholas Henry McIllmurray, as was often the case being known by his second name. He had come across from St. George Rugby Union and later served in WW1 in the 12th Light Horse Regiment. Glebe were without one of their stars, Frank Burge, who was "disqualified for the rest of the season for striking an opponent in the North Sydney match" (Referee 16th July 1913)