

Wally Collins

..... in 1918 joined the Western Suburbs club and was a member of the Wests teams that were runners up in 1918 and City Cup winners in 1918 and 1919 and City Cup finalists in 1920. Wally was the top try scorer for Wests in 1918, 1919, 1923 and 1924. Wally Collins retired from grade rugby league in 1924.

Wally played with Wests from 1917 until 1924 and during his time there he played eighty First Grade and twenty five City Cup games. He was a noted try scorer and notched up fifty two tries for a tally of one hundred and fifty six points.

After a distinguished rugby league playing career, Wally continued his involvement with Wests, becoming a team Selector, serving on the General Committee and becoming a Vice President of the Club.

In 1922 Wally Collins had a burglary at a home in Arlington St, Dulwich Hill. It is not known whether these items were ever returned to Wally. Amongst the items stolen were the following;

- Two gold medals with small shields in the centre, one has "W.N.C" on the shield and "W.N. Collins for bowling average, Parramatta District," and a date on the back. The other has "W.N.C." and "W.N. Collins for bowling average, St. Clements Church Cricket" and a date thereon.
- A gold miniature football suspended by an emu and a kangaroo with "W. Collins for touring New Zealand, played 11 and won 11, NSW RLFC" thereon
- Two gold medals "W.N.C." on front, and "W.N. Collins, winners of City Cup 1919-1920" thereon.

Wally Collins lived at Earlwood, NSW for much of his life and his death was recorded at nearby Campsie in September 1971 .