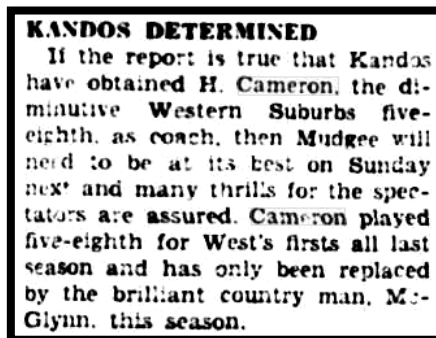


## Harry Cameron

..... was born at Junee, NSW and played his junior football at Goulburn, NSW before being graded with Wests in 1930. Harry was a talented footballer but was competing in an era when Wests had a number of very good halfbacks and five-eighths in their ranks at the time.

In his first season at Wests, Harry was learning his craft and played six Reserve Grade and eight Third Grade games. However 1931 was his breakout season. He played the first five rounds in Reserve Grade, but then made his First Grade debut in round six and played every game in First Grade for the remainder of the season including the Semi final and Final.

Unfortunately Harry found himself playing Reserve Grade in 1932. The preferred First Grade halves combination that year was Les Mead and Jack McGlenn, neither of whom missed a game. There was a news report that Harry had been offered a coaching position with the Kandos Rugby League Club mid-season but that was declined and Harry remained loyal to Wests and played out the season.



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Harry remained with Wests in 1933, but it was not a good season for the Club with the disruption caused by the Kangaroo tour and the introduction of many young players throughout the later part of the season, making it difficult to form a reliable combination around the scrum base. Harry played two First Grade games in 1933 and then sought a new opportunity the following year. He was recorded playing with Eastern Suburbs Reserve and Third Grade teams in 1934.

During his three seasons with Wests, Harry played thirteen First Grade, twenty nine Reserve Grade and Ten Third Grade games. In all Grades he scored seven tries and kicked forty seven goals for a tally of one hundred and fifteen points.

Harry Cameron enlisted with the RAAF in June 1942 for service in the Second World War. He was posted to the RAAF Postal Unit and saw service in Townsville, Finschhafen and Madang. He was discharged from service in September 1945 with the rank of Flight Sergeant.



Harry Cameron 1942-1945

He lived at Woollahra in Sydney's Eastern Suburbs during the war years and then returned to live in the Western Suburbs until the late 1970's. He spent his later years on Queensland's Gold Coast where he died in November 1995.