

Western Suburbs 32

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Western Reds 6



Andrew LEEDS Paul SMITH Ken McGUINNESS Paul BELL Darren WILLIS **Andrew WILLIS** Steve GEORGALLIS Paul LANGMACK (c) Mark HORO **BILL DUNN Brent STUART** Ciriaco MESCIA Glenn GRIEF **Brandon PEARSON** Justin DOOLEY **Kyle WHITE** Josh WHITE

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BILL DUNN

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

Michael POTTER (c) **Shaun DEVINE** Chris RYAN Jamie OLEJNIK Greg FLEMING Dale FRITZ Tim HORAN Jeff DOYLE David BOYD Peter SHIELS **Brett GOLDSPINK** Matthew FULLER Tahi REIHANA Matthew RODWELL Jason EADE **Brendon TUUTA**

Brett GOLDSPINK

Goals Andrew LEEDS (6)

Shaun DEVINE (1)

Match Description

Tries

Western Suburbs: Full-back: A Leeds; three-quarters: P Smith, P Bell, K McGuinness, D Willis; five-eighth: A Willis; half: S Georgallis; forwards: P Langmack (c), M Horo, B Dunn, B Stuart, C Mescia, G Grief

Western Reds: Full-back: M Potter (c); three-quarters: S Devine, C Ryan, J Olejnik, G Fleming; five-eighth: D Fritz: half: T Horan; forwards: J Doyle, P Shiels, D Boyd, B Goldspink, M Fuller, T Reihana **Referee: G West (Big League 12th May 1995)**

Western Reds coach Peter Mullholland hit out at Australian Rugby League scheduling after his side's 32-6 loss to Western Suburbs at Campbelltown last night. The Reds did not arrive home until 1:00 AM Monday after last weekend's loss to Brisbane and had to depart Perth for last night's match at 11:00 AM on Thursday. That only left the fledgling club a three-day turnaround between Winfield Cup matches. Although conceding his side was outplayed by the Magpies, Mulholland was annoyed the league did not schedule last night's match either for today or tomorrow. "I don't want to sound like I'm whinging and I admit we got flogged," Mulholland said after his side's five tries to one loss. But our travel has to be considered. Why couldn't they have played this game on Sunday - I don't think it's very fair. We have to live with it but it didn't give us much time to recover from last week's game. It certainly stuffed us this week." Despite the Reds' anger, no one could take anything away from the Magpies, who chalked up their sixth victory of the season last night. The Magpies led 20-6 at half time before going on to record their 32-6 victory. "I thought it was a terrific effort in the first half- but maybe we could have been further ahead," said Magpies coach Tom Raudonikis. "The most pleasing aspect of tonight was simply getting the two competition points. It has cemented us in the top eight. I'm very pleased with the win but there are still a lot of areas we have to improve on." The Magpies had a host of heroes, but none more so than veterans Andrew Leeds and Paul Langmack. Leeds, as usual, was rock solid at fullback, while Langmack was as creative as ever around the edges of the ruck. "I thought Paul's leadership was an inspiration," Raudonikis said. "He is playing like a young colt." The Magpies bolted out to a 20-0 lead after 25 minutes, ending any hopes of a Reds' upset. "We lost the game early," Mulholland said. "I am still a bit shell-shocked at how we were behind so much early. We didn't get good field position early and we contributed to our downfall with some silly errors. I also thought we lacked penetration and were pretty predictable. We also played a bit without direction." Raudonikis said he was delighted at how Wests maintained the pressure during the second half and came up with two late tries, one to forward Bill Dunn, the other to winger Paul Smith. "We really hung in there in the second half. We really put them away with those two tries." Aside from Langmack and Leeds, prop Brent Stuart, second rower Mark Horo and centre Ken McGuinness impressed for the Magpies. (The Daily Telegraph Mirror 13th May 1995)

Notes: Wests were on fire early and led 20-0 after 22 minutes. Even when Brandon Pearson was in the sin-bin in the second half Wests were still in control. Ken McGuinness was unstoppable in the first half, in a win which cemented Wests in the top eight. Leeds and Langmack, yet again, were Wests' best, Langmack being an inspirational leader. Mark Horo also had a strong match, being voted the Players' Player.

