

1966 Round 11 Sunday 26th June Brookvale Oval

Manly-Warringah 27 def. Western Suburbs 6

Bob BATTY Fullback Dave BARSLEY Paul GIBSON John MOWBRAY Wing Alec TENNANT Gil MacDOUGALL Centre Peter GALLAGHER Centre **Rob McGUINNESS** Fred YAKICH Wing Peter DIMOND **Bob FULTON** Five-eighth **Denis PITTARD** Frank STANTON Half Pat THOMAS Bill BRADSTREET Lock Doug PAGE Tony ANTUNAC Second Row John HAYES Ken DAY (c) Second Row **BILL HANSEN** Mick VEIVERS Front Row Denis MEANEY (c) Fred JONES Hooker **BILL WILSON** Doug WALKADEN Front Row Alan ALLISON

Tries Paul GIBSON (2)

Tony ANTUNAC Bill BRADSTREET Alec TENNANT

Goals Bob BATTY (6) Dave BARSLEY (3)

Match Description

Manly-Warringah: Full-back: R Batty; three-quarters; P Gibson, A Tennant, P Gallagher, F Yakich; five-eighth: R Fulton; Half: F Stanton; forwards: W Bradstreet, A Antunac, K Day (c), M Veivers, F Jones, D Walkaden

Western Suburbs: Full-back: D Barsley; three-quarters: J Mowbray, R McGuinness, G MacDougall, P Dimond; five-eighth: D Pittard; half: P Thomas; forwards: D Page, J Hayes, J Cody, D Meaney (c), N Thornton, A Allison Referee: L Bruyeres (as per program Rugby League News 26th June 1966 + newspaper validation)

Manly beat Western Suburbs 27-6 in a fiery match at Brookvale Oval. Referee Laurie Bruyeres ordered Wests' captain Denis Meaney from the field 33 minutes into the first half after a play-the-ball incident. Manly led 7-4 at the time. Meaney had been cautioned previously. He will be reported to the judiciary for "infringing" the rules. Approaching full-time, Wests' centre Peter Dimond clashed with Manly winger Fred Yakich. Immediately an all-in brawl looked like developing as several players rushed in. The referee called out Manly forwards Veivers and Walkaden and cautioned them. (Sydney Morning Herald 27th June 1966)

Referee Laurie Bruyeres yesterday sent Western Suburbs Rugby League prop-forward and Captain Denis Meaney from the field for deliberately incurring penalties at Brookvale Oval. Manly, scoring five tries to nil defeated Wests 27-6. The victory kept alive Manly's hopes of making the semi-finals. Western Suburbs played the first half without much regard for the rules. Meaney was dismissed after 32 minutes of play. Bruyeres had cautioned Meaney earlier for deliberately infringing the rules after having been warned not to do so. In the first half, Western Suburbs' infringements drew nine penalties, allowing Manly to dominate the match, despite losing the scrums 5-4. Australia's reserve forward Mick Veivers gave a sustained display of class football for Manly. He figured in many bursts and tackled fiercely throughout. Referee Bruyeres quietened tempers quickly after a period of torrid play in which Manly winger Fred Yakich and Wests' centre Peter Dimond featured. Manly forwards rushed to the scene and Walkaden and Veivers received cautions for late tackles. Four of the much improved Manly side's five tries came from solid work by the forwards. Second-row forward Tony Antunac, 19, gave a non-stop display. When Wests' full-back Dave Barsley left the field with an injured arm 10 minutes from the end Wests played out time with only 11 men. (The Daily Telegraph 27th June 1966)

Noel Kelly, hot favourite to be one of the props for the Second Test against England in Brisbane on July 16, has only a fifty-fifty chance of playing. He indicated this at Brookvale Oval yesterday after this team Western Suburbs had been trounced 27-6 at Manly. Kelly said his left shoulder was still sore but he would have intensive treatment this week in an attempt to be fit by next Saturday. "I desperately want to play," he said, "as I know that my Test hopes would rest on how I go against Souths at Pratten Park." Wests lost their captain, Denis Meaney, when he was sent off 10 minutes before half-time. About 12 minutes before full-time Wests only had 11 men as full-back Dave Barsley was forced to leave the field after a pile-driving tackle by Tennant. By that time the match was well and truly over. (The Sun 27th June 1966)

Notes: Wests suffered a number of setbacks in this match. Noel Kelly was out pre-match with an injured shoulder, replaced by Alan Allison. Denis Meaney was sent off 10 minutes before half-time for deliberate penalties and Dave Barsley was also injured in the second half and Wests finished with 11 men. Even so, Wests were outplayed and never got into the game. It was a typical fiery match between Wests and Manly, with Peter Dimond, back from injury, going toe-to-toe with Manly winger Fred Yakich. It almost ended in an all-in brawl but Referee, Laurie Bruyeres, was able to tenuously regain control.

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