

1998 Round 13 Saturday 6th June Willow Sports Complex

North Queensland 40

def.

Western Suburbs 10



Ray MERCY
Andrew DUNEMANN
Jason FERRIS
Glen MURPHY
Owen CUNNINGHAM
Kyle WARREN
Ian ROBERTS (c)
Steve WALTERS

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Wing
Centre
Centre
Wing
Five-eighth
Half
Lock
Second Row
Second Row
Front Row

Half
Lock
Second Row
Second Row
Front Row
Hooker
Front Row
Replacement
Replacement
Replacement

Andrew LEEDS
Jared MILLS
Ken McGUINNESS
Kevin McGUINNESS
Darryl FISHER
Steve GEORGALLIS
Leo DYNEVOR
Paul LANGMACK (c)
Damian KENNEDY
Scott COXON
Chris YATES
Ciriaco MESCIA
Harvey HOWARD

Darren WILLIS Adrian RAINEY Aseri LAING John SKANDALIS

Noa NADRUKU (2) Adam WARWICK

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Jared MILLS

Goals Dale SHEARER (2)

Andrew DUNEMANN (1)

Jason FERRIS (1)

Andrew LEEDS (1)

Match Description

Tries

North Queensland: Full-back: D Shearer; three-quarters: K Tassell, M Shipway, N Nadruku, R Mercy; five-eighth: A Dunemann; half: J Ferris; forwards: G Murphy, O Cunningham, K Warren, I Roberts (c), S Walters, J Lomax

Western Suburbs: Full-back: A Leeds; three-quarters: D Fisher, Ken McGuinness, Kevin McGuinness, J Mills; five-eighth: S Georgallis; half: L Dynevor; forwards: P Langmack (c), S Coxon, D Kennedy C Yates,, C Mescia, H Howard Referee: M Jadwat (Big League 6th June 1998)

It wasn't so much that North Queensland held all the aces at Malanda Stadium yesterday, it was more than Wests was sitting with a pair of twos and no bluff. By halftime it was all over. Given the events of last week when the Cowboys came from 26-0 behind to snatch victory, there was no way they were going to have the same happen to them after leading Wests 24-4. The final score was 40-10. ... Wests fell down in vital areas: one-on-one defence, set completions, structuring their sets of six. ... Early on, Wests were the more dangerous team in possession, their problem being they were just as dangerous to themselves. As with a kid running with a knife, anything could happen. After allowing the Cowboys an early try through Jason Ferris - after consecutive sets of six and before Wests even touched the ball - the Magpies came back into the match with a questionable try to Kevin McGuinness. With him scooting over in the corner, referee Moghseen Jadwat had no hesitation in calling the try. Cowboys' captain Ian Roberts was not nearly as comfortable with the decision, however, screaming at Jadwat to go to the video referee. .. From here on, Wests became their own worst enemy. Things began to go wrong when hooker Cherry Mescia was placed on report for a high tackle on Cowboys five-eighth Andrew Dunemann. Soon after, Andrew Leeds hit the ball up for Wests and turned to find support, offloading to Cowboys' second-rower Kyle Warren, who turned and sprinted 70 metres to score. Another mistake by Wests led to the Cowboys next try. This time a long cut out pass from half Leo Dynevor failed to find its mark, and as the ball floated over Aseri Laing, North Queensland centre Noa Nadruku swooped and sprinted another 70 metres to touch down between the posts. Despite the scoreline, the North Queenslanders failed to get carried away with the win. "We had our moments," hooker Steve Walters said. "It was one of those days. We wanted to focus on defence more than anything else because we knew we were going to score some tries but that they could score some tries as well." .. (The Sun-Herald 7th June 1998)

Notes: The final score didn't really reflect the game, although the overall one-on-one defence was quite poor. A number of Cowboys' tries were scored off Wests' errors, including two long-range intercepts, which resulted in twelve points in six minutes. Jared Mills' third try for the season was a beauty, while Darryl Fisher, on debut, played well.

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