



# 1982 Round 16 Sunday 13th June Lidcombe Oval



## Western Suburbs 40

def.

## Canberra 8

Wayne SMITH  
Steve BROUGHTON  
Mick PINKERTON  
Ross CONLON  
Warren BOLAND (c)  
Terry LAMB  
Greg COX  
Jim LEIS  
Paul MERLO  
George MOROKO  
Tom ARBER  
Arthur MOUNTIER  
Terry LEABEATER  
Steve ANDERSON  
Robert RYAN

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

Sam VUCAGO  
Angel MARINA  
Chris O'GRADY  
Craig BELLAMY  
Paul WEST  
Peter McGRATH  
Chris O'SULLIVAN  
Carl FROMMEL  
Gary BRITT  
John HARDY  
David GRANT (c)  
Jay HOFFMAN  
Richard COOKE  
Terry WICKEY  
Frank RODDY  
Mick TILSE  
Scott DUDMAN

**Tries** Steve BROUGHTON (4)  
Jim LEIS (3)  
Terry LEABEATER  
Terry LAMB  
Steve ANDERSON

Chris O'GRADY  
Craig BELLAMY

**Goals** Ross CONLON (4)  
Greg COX (1)

Peter McGRATH (1)

### Match Description

**Canberra:** Full-back: S Vucago; three-quarters: A Marina, C Bellamy, C O'Grady, P West; five-eighth: P McGrath; half: C O'Sullivan; forwards: C Frommel, G Britt, J Hardy, D Grant (c), J Hoffman, R Cooke

**Western Suburbs:** Full-back: W Smith; three-quarters: S Broughton, M Pinkerton, R Conlon, W Boland (c); five-eighth: T Lamb; half: G Cox; forwards: J Leis, G Moroko, P Merlo, T Leabeater, A Mountier, T Arber **Referee: B Barnes (The Sun 15th June 1982)**

Four tries should be reason enough to celebrate – but Western Suburbs' winger Steve Broughton was just glad the Magpies won their Rugby League game against Canberra yesterday. Broughton equalled the club record for try-scorers in one game and broke a hoodoo which has bugged him since 1980. Two years ago, Broughton, then 23, notched a treble against that year's premiers, Canterbury-Bankstown. Despite it, his side was beaten. "That was the second time I had scored three tries and lost the game," Broughton recalled yesterday. "It also happened when I played junior football for Ryde-Eastwood." But memories of those defeats faded yesterday as the Magpies ran home 40-8 winners over Canberra at Lidcombe Oval. Broughton notched his first try after 16 minutes and followed it with tries in the 32nd, 44th and 51st minutes. It equalled the performance of Jim Leis, who scored four tries against Penrith at Lidcombe in 1980. Western Suburbs responded to a plea by coach Terry Fearnley to "put up the kick" after the Magpies trailed 6-8 at the break. "I wanted them to put the ball up from the start but they didn't," Fearnley said. "Plus, we played badly, dropping the ball after two or three tackles. Putting the ball up made an enormous difference in the second half." The Magpies ran in eight tries in a second-half blitz in which they scored 34 points to nil. Leis, with some powerful running, scored three tries after the break to lead the rampage. Wests were simply too strong for the newcomers. The forwards took the ball up and the centres ran on to it with constant vigour. Front-rowers Tom Arber, Terry Leabeater and Leis were impossible to contain. Leis distributed the ball cleverly and the backline, especially Broughton, had a field day. .... On the plus side was the display of half Chris O'Sullivan and the ever-reliable Carl Frommel at lock. O'Sullivan was responsible for much of the side's first half attacking flair. Frommel topped the club's tackle count once again with 32, eight behind Wests' Leabeater with 40. Fearnley also took heart in the effort turned in by centre Ross Conlon. Conlon, not long back from injury which as sidelined him for much of the season, kicked four goals from six attempts after having to borrow a pair of boots. "One of mine was ripped down the back in a tackle," Conlon said. **(Sydney Morning Herald 14th June 1982)**

**Notes:** Wests were actually down 8-6 at half-time but responded well to Fearnley's message and ran riot in the second, Jim Leis running in three good tries as the best player on the field. Steve Broughton proved a good finisher, scoring two tries in each half, off good backline movements. This was a much-needed win after a couple of ordinary performances.