

## 1995 Round 19 Friday 4th August Campbelltown Stadium

## Brisbane 28 def. Western Suburbs 18

Paul HAUFF **Fullback Andrew LEEDS** Willie CARNE Wing Tony WALL Michael HANCOCK Paul BELL Centre Steve RENOUF Centre Ken McGUINNESS Darren SMITH Wing Darren WILLIS Darren LOCKYER Five-eighth **Brandon PEARSON** Kevin WALTERS (c) Half Steve GEORGALLIS Terry MATTERSON Lock Paul LANGMACK (c) Wendell SAILOR Second Row Mark HORO Peter RYAN Second Row Bill DUNN **Gavin ALLEN** Front Row Glenn GRIEF **Kerrod WALTERS** Hooker Ciriaco MESCIA Glenn LAZARUS Front Row **Brent STUART** John PLATH Replacement Justin DOOLEY Andrew GEE Replacement **Neil TIERNEY** 

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Tries Steve RENOUF (2)

Peter RYAN Darren LOCKYER Willie CARNE

Steele RETCHLESS

Scott BLACKER

Darren LOCKYER (4)

Tony WALL Ciriaco MESCIA Andrew LEEDS

Andrew LEEDS (3)

## **Match Description**

Goals

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

**Brisbane:** Full-back: P Hauff; three-quarters: W Carne, M Hancock, S Renouf, D Smith; five-eighth: D Lockyer; half: K Walters (c); forwards: T Matterson, W Sailor, P Ryan, G Allen, K Walters, G Lazarus Referee: K Jeffes (Big League 4th August 1995)

Angry Western Suburbs coach Tommy Raudonikis launched a stinging attack on referee Kelvin Jeffes moments after his sides 28-18 loss to Brisbane at Campbelltown last night. The Broncos' victory all but sealed the top four position but it was Raudonikis' outburst which was the talking point of the game. A clearly frustrated Raudonikis, with beer in one hand and cigarette in the other, claimed his side's courageous display was worth nothing due to several refereeing decisions. Raudonikis will protest Jeffes' display to ARL referees' boss Mick Stone on Monday. Raudonikis refused to mention Jeffes by name but his harsh words were clearly directed at the referee. "No bastard wants us to win," Raudonikis fumed after full time period "What really riles me is that 12 months of hard work could have been thrown out the window tonight. No one has expected Western Suburbs to win all year- what happened out there tonight was atrocious. I'll be ringing Mick Stone on Monday to tell him what I think. I thought it was disgraceful - you're kidding!" Despite his disappointment of the refereeing display, Raudonikis claimed he was proud of the effort his team produced in going down by five tries to three. "I'm that proud of my blokes, but what happened tonight is just not right," he said. "I better shut my mouth or it will cost me money. I just get so frustrated. Sure, there were times when my boys took some wrong options, but they are only human. But look at the other side of the coin, that's what I'm trying to say. My guys busted their bums out there for each other. I really feel for them. I've gotta look after my players." The Broncos led 14-4 at half time but had to withhold a tenacious Western Suburbs side during the latter stages of the second half. Right up until near full time, the Magpies were in with the hope of winning what turned out to be an entertaining match. The Broncos were not overly impressive, but their magnificent defence must be applauded. With the top four spot on offer, Brisbane overcame a gutsy Wests' side and a parochial crowd to secure their first win at Campbelltown since 1989. But take nothing away from the Magpies, they threw everything at Brisbane during the second half and probably did not deserve to be on the end of a loss. .... The Western Suburbs forward pack performed admirably, while for Brisbane, second rower Wendell Sailor and five-eighth Darren Lockyer were impressive. Raudonikis said his side must win the remaining three matches to have any chance of qualifying for the final eight. (The Daily Telegraph Mirror 5th August 1995)

**Notes:** Wests tried their guts out in this match and were still right in the game until the final minutes when Renouf scored a 90m try from a dropped ball. Tom Raudonikis was extremely unhappy with the refereeing and a formal complaint was put in to the Referee's Board. Lots of near-misses and dubious decisions cost Wests a good chance at victory. Brent Stuart, Steve Georgallis and Tony Wall were best for Wests.

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