## 1970 Round 2 Saturday 4th April Henson Park



## def.

## Newtown 9





Tony FORD
John FISHER
John ELFORD
Roy FERGUSON
Peter FLANDERS
Tom RAUDONIKIS
John MAXWELL
Rod SMITH
John BAKER
Barry BRYANT
John ARMSTRONG
Ken STONESTREET (c)
Steve WINTER
John WALSH

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

Dave BARSLEY
Lionel WILLIAMSON
Alan MADDALENA
Bob CARNEGIE
Ron FOGARTY
Bob KEYES (c)
John BONHAM
Charlie RENILSON
John OAKLEY
Con RYAN
Oscar DANIELSON
Mark ROBERTSON
Tony REID

Tries Peter FLANDERS (2)

John WALSH Ken STONESTREET Roy FERGUSON Barry BRYANT John BAKER **Bob CARNEGIE** 

Goals Tony FORD (2)

Peter FLANDERS (2)

John MAXWELL (1) Field goal

John BONHAM (3) One field goal

## **Match Description**

**Newtown:** Full-back: D Barsley; three-quarters: L Williamson, A Maddalena, R Carnegie, R Fogarty; five-eighth: R Keyes (c); half: J Bonham; forwards: C Renilson, J Oakley, C Ryan, O Danielson, M Robertson, T Reid

Western Suburbs: Full-back: A Ford; three-quarters: J Fisher, R Ferguson, J Elford, P Flanders; five-eighth: T Raudonikis; half: J Maxwell; forwards: R Smith, J Baker, B Bryant, S Winter, K Stonestreet (c), J Armstrong Referee: K Page (Rugby League Week 11th April 1970)

Newtown Rugby League team must have caused even their most ardent supporters to cringe with embarrassment when they tamely surrendered 31-9 to Western Suburbs at Henson Park. Wests scored seven tries to one, running riot in the second half after leading 10-4 at half-time. They were superior in every phase of the game. Newtown showed little interest in the game, and Wests' powerful attack took advantage of the lapses. The decision by Newtown selectors to drop Kangaroo centre Brian Moore for failing to attend training on Thursday back-fired. The strong running Wests' centres, Roy Ferguson and John Elford, had a field day. Newtown centre Alan Maddalena proved conclusively that his correct position is full-back. The much-vaunted Newtown pack showed no ambition at all. Wests' forwards ran up the middle, or wide, without hindrance. There was virtually no cover defence from Newtown and Wests' players only had to beat their man to put the team in an attacking position. Wests scored a try in the first two minutes and went one better in the opening minutes of the second half when they scored two tries. Wests' first try resulted from a solid effort by front-rower John Armstrong, who was a late replacement for Tony Antanuc. Armstrong handled twice in a 50-yard move that resulted in second-rower John Baker scoring near the posts. Newtown showed some sort of enterprise early in the first half, but over-anxiety and misunderstandings cost them points. Newtown "bombed" at least three tries in the first half. Front-rower Oscar Danielson ruined a scoring chance when he dropped the ball a yard from the Wests' line. A converted try at that stage would have put Newtown in the lead. Wests' second try came from a combination of good play and good fortune. Centre Ferguson, cornered by the defence kicked ahead instead of passing to two unmarked supports. The ball drifted across field in the wind and bounced perfectly for winger Peter Flanders, who eluded a tackle, to score. Two quick tries just after half-time by hooker Ken Stonestreet and prop John Walsh, who replaced Armstrong, clinched the match. Wests' backs ran at will in the latter stages of the second half. An indication of the interest Newtown had in the match was provided by full-back Dave Barsley who sat on the field tying his bootlaces while the last try was scored. Wests' five-eighth Tom Raudonikis had another impressive game and seems destined to test many of the better known pivots before the season is over. Newtown's only real player was five-eighth Bob Carnegie, who tried hard all day. He was rewarded with a try in the closing minutes. (Sunday Telegraph 5th April 1970)

**Notes:** Newtown were without their best player, Brian Moore, who had been dropped for not attending Thursday training, while John Armstrong was a late replacement for Tony Antunac. Armstrong was injured and was also replaced by John Walsh. In a totally dominant display, Wests, led by a star performance by Peter Flanders, were always in control. The forwards combined very well, hunting as a pack to outmuscle the Newtown six. Tony Ford only kicked 2 out of 8 goals, and was replaced as kicker by Peter Flanders.