



1982 Round 23 Sunday 1st August Lidcombe Oval



Western Suburbs 15

def.

South Sydney 3

David GREENE
 Steve BROUGHTON
 Steve ANDERSON
 Ross CONLON
 Warren BOLAND (c)
 Terry LAMB
 Greg COX
 Jim LEIS
 Michael DUKE
 George FAHD
 Terry LEABEATER
 Gary COLLISON
 Bruce CLARK
 Col DENNIS

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

Steve WALSH
 Ziggy NISZCZOT
 Robert SIMPKINS
 Tony MELROSE
 Stan BROWNE
 Ken WRIGHT
 Craig COLEMAN
 Shane ARNEIL
 Peter TUNKS
 Michael CARBERRY
 Gary HAMBLY
 Ken STEWART (c)
 Peter SMITH
 Tony RAMPLING
 Mark ROSS



Tries Steve BROUGHTON (2)
 Warren BOLAND
 Steve ANDERSON

Stan BROWNE

Goals Greg COX (1)
 Terry LAMB (1) Field Goal

Match Description

Western Suburbs: Full-back: D Greene; three-quarters: S Broughton, S Anderson, R Conlon, W Boland (c); five-eighth: T Lamb; half: G Cox; forwards: J Leis, G Fahd, M Duke, T Leabeater, G Collison, B Clark

South Sydney: Full-back: S Walsh; three-quarters: Z Niszczo, R Simpkins, T Melrose, S Browne; five-eighth: K Wright; half: C Coleman; forwards: S Arneil, P Tunks, M Carberry, G Hambly, K Stewart (c), P Smith **Referee: J Gocher (The Sun 2nd August 1982)**

Wests' five-eighth Terry Lamb has rocketed back into Kangaroo Tour calculations following his dynamic display against Souths at Lidcombe Oval yesterday. On yesterday's form, Lamb should be the first five-eighth chosen to tour England and France. His performance yesterday fleeced Souths and has Wests' coach Terry Fearnley convinced he is at the helm of a final five side. Wests not only put the cleaners through Souths 15-3 – they left them in tatters. Lock Shane Arneil, second-rower Peter Tunks and winger Ziggy Niszczo each suffered injuries that could keep them out of Souths' game against Norths this weekend. And to compound Souths' mounting injury problems, the club's star five-eighth Michael Pattison tore a hamstring muscle and strained a calf muscle playing reserve grade. "Perhaps some of you critics will now believe we are final five material," said Fearnley, after Wests' victory. But Fearnley agreed Wests couldn't expect to take as many risks in a semi-final as they did in beating Souths. Wests threw caution to the wind as they repeatedly spread the ball across their line in some precarious positions. The daring tactics paid off, with each of the tries being scored by backs. One of the tries, that scored by captain and winger Warren Boland, ranks with the best I've seen this year. Six players handled in spectacular style with lock Jim Leis popping the ball between his legs to centre Steve Anderson who sent Boland over. Lamb was one of the six players involved and it was Lamb who laid on the first try for Broughton when he dummied, straightened, accelerated, drew Steve Walsh and spun out the perfect pass. "We knew the best way to play Souths was to make them run and keep the ball away from their forwards," said Fearnley. "However, we don't usually play quite as "open" as we did today." Wests barely dropped a pass with Lamb, Leis, Ross Conlon, Broughton, George Fahd, and Bruce Clark prepared to take the calculated risks. And even the schoolboy full-back David Greene couldn't be faulted although his performance was more orthodox. Greene played with the confidence of a player twice his age, never once offending and excelling under pressure. Souths had little polish to their attack and couldn't match Wests on the score of enthusiasm. They repeatedly turned the ball back and were required to make a massive 152 tackles in the first half. Except for winger Stan Browne's try they were bereft of penetration in the three-quarter line. The forwards plugged away, especially Smith and Carberry, but Clark and Leabeater had their measure. ... I wouldn't be leaving Fahd out of future Wests' packs, although he was a replacement for the injured Merlo yesterday. Broughton, with his brace of tries, is now second on the try scorer's list to Parramatta's Steve Ella and Wests have a finisher of the highest calibre. **(The Sun 2nd August 1982)**

Notes: Wests played open, dazzling football for one of their best wins of the season. All spectacular tries were scored by backs, the Warren Boland try being rated easily the best of the year so far. Seven players handled in a backline movement that went from side to side, using the whole field. One of the most pleasing efforts was by debutante David Greene, a St Gregory's 18-year-old, in for Wayne Smith. He was rock solid and made a long break in the second half. The win moved Wests to 3rd place.