



# 1974 Round 4 Sunday 21st April Brookvale Oval



**Manly-Warringah 20**

**def.**

**Western Suburbs 11**

Graham EADIE  
Ray BRANIGHAN  
Alan THOMSON  
Bob FULTON  
Max BROWN  
Ian MARTIN  
Kevin JUNEE  
Mal REILLY  
Phil LOWE  
Terry RANDALL  
John O'NEILL  
Fred JONES (c)  
Bill HAMILTON

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

John DORAHY  
Robbie PARKER  
Stephen KNIGHT  
Dave OLIVERI  
Russell MULLINS  
Neville SINCLAIR  
Tom RAUDONIKIS (c)  
Warren SNODGRASS  
John ELFORD  
Geoff FOSTER  
Jim MURPHY  
Shane DAY  
Steve RIGNEY  
Stephen SATTERLY  
John PURCELL



**Tries**

Graham EADIE  
Kevin JUNEE  
Bob FULTON  
Bill HAMILTON

Tom RAUDONIKIS

**Goals**

Graham EADIE (4)

John DORAHY (4)

**Match Description**

**Western Suburbs:** Full-back: J Dorahy; three-quarters: R Parker, S Knight, D Oliveri, R Mullins; five-eighth: N Sinclair; half: T Raudonikis (c); forwards: W Snodgrass, J Elford, G Foster, J Murphy, S Day, S Rigney

**Manly-Warringah:** Full-back: G Eadie; three-quarters: R Branighan, A Thomson, R Fulton, M Brown; five-eighth: I Martin; half: K Junee; forwards: M Reilly, P Lowe, T Randall, J O'Neill, F Jones (c), W Hamilton     **Referee: D McDonald (Rugby League Week 27th April 1974)**

Ball-starved and injury-stricken Western Suburbs fell victims to Manly-Warringah's repeat demonstration yesterday that they are still worth favourites to retain the Rugby League premiership. Manly won the Brookvale Oval match 20-11. Their hooker, Fred Jones, won the last 10 scrums. Wests threw up solid opposition throughout and in the torrid encounter referee Don McDonald cautioned nine players. Wests again lost hooker Shane Day at half-time with a shoulder injury. But the severe casualty of their match was their centre Dave Oliveri, who was carried off on a stretcher after 12 minutes of the second half with a dislocated shoulder. Oliveri is not expected to play for at least eight weeks. Manly coach Ron Willey was a delighted man at the form his top players are running into. ... **(Sydney Morning Herald 22nd April 1974)**

Manly grafted their way to a 20-11 victory over a never-say-die Western Suburbs at Brookvale Oval yesterday, but they may have paid a heavy penalty for the win. The premiers star lock Malcolm Reilly, hobbled from the field at the end of play with an injured knee, and club officials will be waiting anxiously to hear how he is this morning. Reilly injured his knee early in the game, and as he warmed up it caused him no inconvenience. But in the dying moments he was flattened in a crashing tackle by Wests' centre Stephen Knight and could barely run in the few minutes before the full-time hooter sounded. Knight and Manly full-back were the stars of a game which produced both good and bad Rugby League. The Sea Eagles played great football in the first half when, running into the breeze, they led 15-7. During that period, they produced some of the best football they have played this season, with John O'Neill, Terry Randall and Phil Lowe tearing into Wests' defence. .... Wests deserve much credit for holding Manly when it appeared they would skip away. Urged on by captain and half-back Tommy Raudonikis, they did not give Manly an inch in which to move. Jim Murphy and young prop Steve Rigney stood up to their bigger opponents well. Wests fought back to 11-15 midway through the second half. Knight caused Manly plenty of bother with strong bursts and crashing defence. His former Rugby Union partner, Robbie Parker, who moved into the centres to replace injured Dave Oliveri, also had a great game. At one stage, Parker broke clear for what could have been the winning break but he was grounded by a glorious diving tackle by Randall. The tackle proved to be the turning point for Manly. Soon after, big Bill Hamilton, playing his 200th first grade game, swivelled out of a tackle and charged 15 yards to score between three defenders hanging on. That try brought the house down at Brookvale, where Hamilton is one of the crowd's favourite sons. **(Daily Telegraph 22nd April 1974)**

**Notes:** Manly scored two early tries, putting Wests on the back foot and down 15-7 at half-time. Wests played strongly in the second half, with Stephen Knight, Tommy Raudonikis and Robbie Parker leading the way. Raudonikis' try was a great solo effort. Shane Day and Dave Oliveri both suffered serious injuries, replaced by Satterly and Purcell.