



# 1998 Round 6 Sunday 19th April Sydney Football Stadium



## South Sydney 41

def.

## Western Suburbs 10

Tim BRASHER (c)  
 Brendon O'MEARA  
 Brett RODWELL  
 Chris CARUANA  
 Phil HOWLETT  
 Julian O'NEILL  
 Darrell TRINDALL  
 Troy SLATTERY  
 Jeremy SCHLOSS  
 James SMITH  
 Michael FRANCIS  
 Geordi PEATS  
 Terry HERMANSSON  
 Michael OSTINI  
 Darren BURNS  
 Matt PARSONS  
 Willie PETERS

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

Ken McGUINNESS  
 Darren WILLIS  
 Ben MacDOUGALL  
 Aseri LAING  
 Leo CLARKE  
 Steve GEORGALLIS (c)  
 Leo DYNEVOR  
 Scott COXON  
 Adrian RAINEY  
 Damian KENNEDY  
 Chris YATES  
 Kevin McGUINNESS  
 Brenton POMERY  
 Darren RAMEKA  
 Lincoln RAUDONIKIS  
 Jason KEOUGH  
 Nick EDWARDS



**Tries**  
 Tim BRASHER  
 James SMITH  
 Julian O'NEILL  
 Geordi PEATS  
 Chris CARUANA  
 Jeremy SCHLOSS

Aseri LAING  
 Darren WILLIS

**Goals**  
 Julian O'NEILL (8)  
 Darrell TRINDALL (1) Field Goal

Leo DYNEVOR (1)

### Match Description

**Western Suburbs:** Full-back: Ken McGuinness; three-quarters: D Willis, B MacDougall, A Laing, L Clarke; five-eighth: S Georgallis (c); half: L Dynevor; forwards: S Coxon, A Rainey, D Kennedy, C Yates, Kevin McGuinness, B Pomeroy

**South Sydney:** Full-back: T Brasher; three-quarters: B O'Meara, B Rodwell, C Caruana, P Howlett; five-eighth: J O'Neill; half: D Trindall; forwards: T Slattery, J Schloss, J Smith, M Francis, G Peats, T Hermansson **Referee: E Ward (Big League 19th April 1998)**

Tom Raudonikis was climbing the SFS stairs when Souths scored their opening try 60 seconds into their clash with Wests. But for Souths' next five tries, the Wests' coach wasn't so lucky. Raudonikis could do nothing more than sit in the grandstand yelling abuse into his walkie talkie, as the Rabbitohs racked up their biggest win in recent memory. "We started dreadfully," he confessed. "The first try was so quick I didn't even see it. It was a poor start and we've got no excuses... there's a hell of a lot of work to do." ... South were red-hot, albeit against the depleted Wests' side. Their forwards ran roughshod over the Wests' pack in a manner that would have delighted Sattler. Out wide, the backs cut loose with some sparkling play and Julian O'Neill completed the rout by banging over goals from all angles. It was close to a complete performance, and one that left Rabbitoh coach Steve Martin searching for answers. "It was frustrating because we haven't done that every week," Martin said. "The boys showed what can be done when they play for the 80 minutes. Had we beaten Cronulla, which we should have, we would be three and three and right up there." The match was effectively over at half time with Souths ahead 26-0, and the only interest of the crowd was who would win a car in a raffle drawn at half time. The car was won by a little old lady, and even she was given a standing ovation by the pro-Souths crowd. After the break, Souths eased up, with honours even at two tries apiece in the second session. For the long suffering Raudonikis, that at least was something to salvage from the wreck. "I asked them at half time not to throw the towel in and I think they picked up their act," he said. "We are still confident about our chances for the season and believe we can beat anyone on any given day." ... Trindall's opposite, the enigmatic Leo Dynevor, was clearly out of his depth and has struggled to show the class that won him a lucrative contract with the club. Hooker Geordi Peats showed plenty of guile and Terry Hermanson celebrated his late call-up to the Kiwi squad with a strong game. **(The Daily Telegraph 20th April 1998)**

**Notes:** This was a huge turnaround from the Round 3 result but it emphasised the extent of the injury toll. Langmack, Mescia and Harvey Howard were out pre-match and Georgallis and Skandalis both left the field early, badly injured. This forced debuts from Leo Clarke, Ben MacDougall and also Lincoln Raudonikis and an unknown, Nick Edwards, as replacements. Souths scored after one minute and Wests were always on the back foot. They couldn't hold the Souths' forwards and Leo Dynevor was clearly outplayed by Darren Trindall.