



# 1982 Round 7 Sunday 11th April Lidcombe Oval



## Western Suburbs 21

def.

## Penrith 20

Greg COX  
 Steve BROUGHTON  
 Wayne SMITH  
 Ted GOODWIN  
 Warren BOLAND (c)  
 Michael DUKE  
 Terry LAMB  
 Jim LEIS  
 George FAHD  
 Paul MERLO  
 Terry LEABEATER  
 Arthur MOUNTIER  
 Tom ARBER  
 Bob COOPER

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

Kevin DANN  
 Rod WRIGHT  
 Brad IZZARD  
 Eddie FLAHEY  
 Shane MARSHALL  
 Warren FENTON  
 Henry FOSTER  
 Royce SIMMONS  
 Lew PLATZ  
 Lew ZIVANOVIC  
 Darryl BROHMAN (c)  
 Jamie JONES  
 Tim SHEENS  
 Graeme JENNINGS



### Tries

Wayne SMITH  
 Ted GOODWIN  
 Michael DUKE  
 Steve BROUGHTON  
 Warren BOLAND

Rod WRIGHT  
 Brad IZZARD  
 Eddie FLAHEY  
 Kevin DANN

### Goals

Greg COX (3)

Kevin DANN (4)

### Match Description

**Western Suburbs:** Full-back: G Cox; three-quarters: S Broughton, W Smith, E Goodwin, W Boland (c); five-eighth: M Duke; half: T Lamb; forwards: J Leis, G Fahd, P Merlo, T Leabeater, A Mountier, T Arber

**Penrith:** Full-back: K Dann; three-quarters: R Wright, B Izzard, E Flahey, S Marshall; five-eighth: W Fenton; half: H Foster; forwards: R Simmons, L Platz, L Zivanovic, D Brohman (c), J Jones, T Sheens **Referee: J Gocher (The Sun 13th April 1982)**

Western Suburbs mixed a dash of luck with plenty of courage in scoring a last-gasp 21-20 win over Penrith at Lidcombe yesterday. Trailing 18-20 with only seconds remaining, winger Steve Broughton saved the day for Wests when he swooped on a loose ball to score after his Penrith opposite Rod Wright fumbled a kick-ahead by Magpie five-eighth Michael Duke. Broughton's match-winning try capped a remarkable fightback by Wests who looked dead ducks when Penrith raced to a 15-0 lead after 28 minutes. It seemed a matter of how far for the Panthers when they raced in three converted tries in quick succession, the first scored by brilliant rookie Brad Izzard. The match was only 10 minutes old when Izzard stormed onto a pass by hooker Jamie Jones to race over under the posts without a hand being laid on him. Five minutes later Penrith stretched its advantage to 10-0 when centre Eddie Flahey strolled through some shoddy Wests' defence to score the easiest of tries. The Panthers were in again soon after when winger Wright darted 45 metres to score for a 15-0 lead. But someone must have forgotten to tell Penrith that to win first-grade rugby league matches you have to play for 80, not 30, minutes. The Panthers thought they had done their afternoon's work and allowed Wests back into the match with a converted try to centre Wayne Smith two minutes before half-time. Smith's try was the lift Wests needed and the Magpies came out breathing fire in the second half. Five minutes after the resumption half-back Terry Lamb, Wests' best player, stamped his authority on the match when he sent "Lord" Ted Goodwin over under the posts. Lamb was in the thick of the action again in the 50th minute when he made the initial break which led to Magpie captain Warren Boland scooting over in the corner. Full-back Greg Cox's magnificent conversion from the sideline levelled the scores at 15-15. .. But the Panthers reverted to their old ways when they allowed Duke to push off some half-hearted defence to score. With the minutes ticking away, Wests, aided by a swag of scrums and penalties, threw everything at the Panthers. Penrith looked as if they would hold out long enough but coach John Peard must have felt like heading for the Gap when he saw the ball spill into Broughton's arms. Wests' coach Terry Fearnley, however, was a greatly relieved man and praised his team's plucky fightback. "I suppose there was a bit of luck involved with the Broughton try, but then again good teams make their own luck," he said. "We were pretty sloppy early on but showed a lot more spirit in the second half." Fearnley was especially pleased with the new scrum base combination of Lamb and Duke. Lamb, switched from five-eighth to half-back, is certain to keep Alan Neil in reserve grade for at least another week. He was well supported by Duke, a reserve-grade lock promoted to first grade five-eighth for the Penrith game. **(Daily Telegraph 12th April 1982)**

**Notes:** Wests were lucky to win this game after Steve Broughton scored on the bell from a Michael Duke cross-kick and a Penrith fumble. However, they were down 15-0 after an early Penrith blitz and had worked their way back to 15-all. Terry Lamb's move to half and Michael Duke to five-eighth (after being Reserve Grade lock) was very successful, with Lamb being the best player on the field. In the forwards, George Fahd was very strong, topping the tackle count with 24.