



1970 Round 9 Sunday 24th May Lidcombe Oval



Manly-Warringah 19

def.

Western Suburbs 14

Bob BATTY
 Les HANIGAN
 John MCDONALD (c)
 Terry RANDALL
 Howard WHITAKER
 Danny GOUGH
 Dennis WARD
 Rob CAMERON
 John MORGAN
 Allan THOMPSON
 Norm POUNDER
 Fred JONES
 Bill HAMILTON

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

John FISHER
 Don ROGERS
 Roy FERGUSON (c)
 Derek BROUWER
 Peter FLANDERS
 Tom RAUDONIKIS
 John MAXWELL
 Rod SMITH
 John BAKER
 Barry BRYANT
 John ARMSTRONG
 Ken STONESTREET
 John WALSH



Tries Bob BATTY
 Danny GOUGH
 Dennis WARD

John BAKER (2)

Goals Bob BATTY (3)
 John McDONALD (1)
 Dennis WARD (1) Field goal

Peter FLANDERS (4)

Match Description

Western Suburbs: Full-back: J Fisher; three-quarters: D Rogers, D Brouwer, R Ferguson (c), P Flanders; five-eighth: T Raudonikis; half: J Maxwell; forwards: R Smith, J Baker, B Bryant, J Armstrong, K Stonestreet, J Walsh

Manly-Warringah: Full-back: R Batty; three-quarters: L Hanigan, J McDonald (c), T Randall, H Whitaker; five-eighth: D Gough; half: D Ward; forwards: R Cameron, J Morgan, A Thomson, N Pounder, F Jones, W Hamilton **Referee: L Bruyeres (Rugby League Week 30th May 1970)**

A half- time tactical change yesterday enabled Manly to score a 19-14 win over Western Suburbs at Lidcombe Oval. Manly coach Ron Willey ordered his team to turn the ball back into the forwards as an alternative move after Wests led 9-5 at the break. Hooker Fred Jones and second-rower Alan Thompson made breaks up the middle which brought Manly back into the attack. Manly would never have slipped behind if fullback Bob Batty had been on target with his early goal kicking. After Batty missed his first four attempts, captain John McDonald took over to land a penalty just before half-time. Batty resumed kicking after the interval and finished the day with 3 goals from 8 attempts. A recalled "try" by winger Les Hanigan also cost Manly the lead a minute from half-time. Linesman Roy Freeman reported a scuffle between Batty and John Baker after a play-the-ball and referee Laurie Bruyeres recalled play to the Manly 25 yard line. Manly officials supported Bruyeres' decision. Batty made a weaving run to score after a break by Thomson, then converted to send Manly ahead 12-9, 10 minutes into the second half. Half Dennis Ward scored near the post 12 minutes later, giving Batty an easy conversion. Western Suburbs fought back and narrowed the gap to three points when Baker crashed over, after half John Maxwell made the break. Flanders converted for Wests to trail 14-17. Ward booted a 25-yard field goal to give Manly their final 19-14 margin five minutes from full-time. Repeated Wests' raids in the closing minutes held the crowd of 7688 until full-time. Manly forwards John Morgan and Bill Hamilton tallied 36 tackles between them in halting determined Western Suburbs attacks. .. Baker was the best Western Suburbs forward. He received strong support from second- row partner Barry Bryant and hooker Ken Stonestreet. Five-eighth Tom Raudonikis gave Wests' back- line speedy service, with centre Roy Ferguson and winger Peter Flanders strong in attack. **(Daily Telegraph 28th May 1970)**

An incident on Western Suburbs 25 yard line cost Manly Warringah a superb try in the Rugby League match at Lidcombe Oval yesterday. Winger Les Hannigan touchdown after Manly had swept play 75 yards to Wests' try line. Before awarding a try referee Bruyeres heard a touch judge's report of the 25 yard line incident, involving Manly fullback Bob Batty and Wests' prop John Walsh. Bruyeres awarded Western Suburbs a penalty at the spot where the incident occurred. Manly was then trailing 5-9 in the first half. Batty redeemed himself soon after the interval when he shot through loose midfield defence to score a try, which he converted, to give his side the lead for the first time. ... Although out-weighed in the forwards Wests refused to quit. They drew within three points of the lead when Walsh crashed over after five-eighth Tom Raudonikis had made a break. Ward put Manly further ahead when he snapped a field goal. But Manly was still under pressure. The closing minutes produced exciting football with Wests providing all the attack. ... **(Sydney Morning Herald 28th May 1970)**

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Notes: On a very cold, blustery day Wests tried hard but there seemed to be an overall lack of class. The best players for Wests were Raudonikis, Baker, Ferguson and Bryant but Wests were still missing a lot of tackles in the middle of the ruck. To their credit, Wests kept attacking right to the bell but the surprising loss of the scrums 15-12 by Stonestreet starved them of possession at crucial times.