

## 1943 Round 11 Saturday 10th July Pratten Park

## South Sydney 10 def.

## Western Suburbs 3

Leonard LIVINGSTON Robin SMITH Fred FELSCH (c) Albert WEBSTER David WOODS Billy THOMPSON Frank McDOWELL Jack HUTCHINSON Fred LANE Jim ARMSTRONG

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

Ron MARTIN
Bruce BROWN
Jack WHITEHURST
Ron FIELDS
Ron HILL
Stan EISENHUTH
Albert McGUINESS (c)

Fred McKEAN Arthur CLUES Ron CAMPBELL Neville SPENCE Fred FAYERS

**Gerald BEGLEY** 

Tries Eddie HINSON

David WOODS

Jack WALSH

Sid FEEGAN

**Eddie HINSON** 

Goals Fred FELSCH (2)

Ron FIELDS

## **Match Description**

**Western Suburbs:** Full-back: R Martin; three-quarters: B Brown, J Whitehurst, R Field, R Hill; halves: A McGuiness, S Eisenhuth; forwards: J Begley, F McKean, A Clues, R Campbell, N Spence, F Fayers

South Sydney: Full-back: L Livingston; three-quarters: D Woods, A Webster, F Felsch, R Smith; halves: F McDowell, W Thompson; forwards: J Hutchinson, J Armstrong, F Lane, E Hinson, S Feegan, J Walsh Referee: A Shiner (Rugby League News 24th July 1943)

Play centred round half-way till Begley kicked and found Souths' 25 but Eisenhuth dropped McGuinness' pass. .... Again Wests were penalised for a scrum breach, this time closer in, and Felsch made no mistake to draw first score of the match for Souths. 2-nil. An easy try came to Souths after McGuinness had mulled Livingston's kick. Hinson raced through on his own grabbed the ball, and scored under 'the post for Felsch to convert. South Sydney, 7-nil. ... Half-Time Scores: South Sydney 7, W. Suburbs 0.

After a scrum Armstrong was sent off the field by Referee Shiner. South Sydney now had only 11 men. They packed three men in the scrum against Wests six. Western Suburbs now was continually on South's line, and Hinson returned to the field despite his injury. Then Wests scored. McGuinness tried to work the blind side, but Campbell broke through, secured, passed back to McGuinness, on to Field, who raced over near the posts for a good try, Martin failed to convert, and Souths led 7-3. Spence was penalised but Felsch missed the kick at goal and in running the ball out Woods intercepted Whitehurst's pass to Brown, and scored a surprise try in the corner. Felsch's kick failed. South Sydney, 10-3. (The Sun 10th July 1943)

South Sydney hung on with 11 players and a crock for 30 minutes to beat Western Suburbs 10-3 in the Rugby League match at Pratten Park yesterday. Eddie Hinson left the field with probable fractured ribs from a tackle after the half-time bell. Hinson was sitting in the stand when Jim Armstrong was ordered from the field for fighting. Hinson immediately changed back into football clothes and returned to the field. He could not bend down to play in the pack, so took a position between the three-quarters and full-back. Souths completed the match with three forwards. Souths scored seven of their 10 points in the first three minutes— Hinson a try and Felsch two goals. Wests missed several chances in the second half, but Dave Woods clinched victory for Souths when he intercepted a pass and scored a try three minutes from the end. West forwards crossed Souths' line twice, but were recalled for forward passes. Poor goal-kicking, however, cost Wests the match. Their usual goal-kicker, R. Andrews, did not play, and at least six comparatively easy goal chances went astray. The crowd heckled Referee Shiner for repeatedly penalising the forwards. Souths won the three grades for the first time this season. (The Daily Telegraph 11th July 1943)

Congratulations to Ron Martin on his fine display as full-back against Souths. Ron is equally at home in the centre also, and with experience should develop into a player worthy of any team. (Rugby League News 17th July 1943)

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**Notes:** Jim Armstrong of Souths was sent off in the second half and Souths were reduced to 11 men at one stage. Eddie Hinson, who had fractured ribs, came back on to help Souths win. One of their tries was scored off a very poor intercept. Ron Martin made a good debut at full-back and Ron Fields and Stan Eisenhuth also went well. The key factor was the absence of Bob Andrews; Wests missed six easy shots at goal.