



1964 Round 11 Saturday 27th June Brookvale Oval



Western Suburbs 7

def.

Manly-Warringah 4

Ken BRAY
 John MOWBRAY
 Rob McGUINNESS
 Gil MacDOUGALL
 Peter DIMOND
 Roy FERGUSON
 Don MALONE
 Doug PAGE
 John HAYES
 Jim CODY
 Denis MEANEY
 Noel KELLY (c)
 Jack GIBSON
 Ron COSTELLO

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

Bob BATTY
 Brian ALLSOP
 Tony PASKINS (c)
 Fred YAKICH
 Nick YAKICH
 Barry O'CONNELL
 Garry TOOLE
 Jack SINCLAIR
 John MORGAN
 George SMITH
 Pat KELLY
 Trevor KILKELLY
 Doug WALKADEN



Tries Peter DIMOND

Goals Ken BRAY (2)

Barry O'CONNELL (1)
Tony PASKINS (1)

Match Description

Western Suburbs: Full-back: K Bray; three-quarters: J Mowbray, R McGuinness, G MacDougall, P Dimond; five-eighth: R Ferguson; half: D Malone; forwards: D Page, J Hayes, J Cody, D Meaney, N Kelly (c), J Gibson

Manly-Warringah: Full-back: R Batty; three-quarters: B Allsop, A Paskins (c), F Yakich, N Yakich; five-eighth: B O'Connell; half: G Toole; forwards: J Sinclair, J Morgan, G Smith, P Kelly, T Kilkelly, D Walkaden **Referee: A Perry (The Sun 27th June 1964)**

Western Suburbs defeated Manly in a match which had spectators yawning at Brookvale Oval yesterday. Only one try was scored in the match which was a dour forward struggle from the start. Both sides lacked cohesion between the backs and forwards. And, if it was not for a determined run by Peter Dimond, the Wests' winger, no tries would have been scored. Time and again, scoring opportunities went begging as players broke through the opposing side's defence, only to find they had no one in support. Manly and Wests had an equal share of possession, but both sets of backs were continually caught napping with the ball. It seemed as if they did not want to score. In the scrums Trevor Kilkelly, the Manly hooker and Noel Kelly for Wests broke even with nine each. There was hardly a player on the field who did not receive a caution. Arthur Perry, the referee, had his hands full, and awarded 23 penalties. Of these, Wests received 12. The game was marred by offside play and no attempt was made to open up the match. Apparently both sides were instructed to throw everything into defence. The attitude looked to be "don't worry about scoring, just make sure the other side doesn't." Jack Gibson, the Wests' prop, worked tirelessly throughout, as did Jack Sinclair, the Manly lock. ... The Wests' three-quarters can probably be excused for the simple reason that they hardly saw the ball. Peter Dimond and John Mowbray, the wingers, saw the ball only once or twice. On the one rare occasion Dimond did get the ball he scored the only try. Wests led 5-2 at half-time with Dimond scoring a try and Bray kicking a penalty goal. .. **(Sunday Mirror 28th June 1964)**

Western Suburbs beat Manly-Warringah 7-4 in a scrappy Rugby League match at Brookvale Oval yesterday. Wests led 5-2 at half-time and the only subsequent scores were penalty goals. The standard of play generally was poor and Referee A Perry issued numerous cautions – three to Wests' prop Denis Meaney. Neither side displayed much teamwork. The ball was kept continually among the forwards, with the player in possession finishing on the ground. Wests' speedy wingers, Mowbray and Dimond, had very limited opportunities. Dimond scored the only try, midway through the first half. Wests had taken control from a ruck and centre Rob McGuinness sliced the defence to send Dimond away. Bumping off several defenders, Dimond crossed the line just before being pulled down. The run emphasised his value but Wests made little effort to "feed" him. Manly's wingers fared little better. Allsop scarcely had a run throughout. Wests' margin should have been greater as they had possession for so long. But individuality was the keynote of their game. Wests' five-eighth, Roy Ferguson, still a comparative junior, had a good match. Wests lost lock Doug Page at half-time with a pulled hamstring muscle. Ron Costello, who replaced Page, was outstanding. Wests' second-rower Jim Cody did a tremendous amount of work in defence. Manly's full-back, Bob Batty, moved up into the attack smartly and had he been properly supported, his team must have scored. **(Sun-Herald 28th June 1964)**

Notes: This was a very poor quality match, based around defence. Peter Dimond was the only one to show initiative to score a good barging try. Roy Ferguson, in a further experiment at five-eighth, played very well for his inexperience. Bad handling was also a feature of the match, with Wests blowing a number of tries. Doug Page went off injured at half-time and Ron Costello, his replacement, played very well.