



# 1933 Round 11 Saturday 29th July North Sydney Oval



## North Sydney 11

def.

## Western Suburbs 10

Chris SCHIEMER  
Alf BIRTLES  
Doug DEITZ  
Ron HYDE  
Frank McGUREN  
Wally HAMILL (c)  
Jimmy PAGE  
Bill KELLEWAY  
B CLIFFORD  
Harry ALLWORK  
George WILLIAMS  
Jack SAVAGE  
Cec BENNETT

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

Tom MAGNUS  
Les MIDSON  
Sen BLACK  
Cec ANDERTON  
Alan BRADY  
Stan TANCRED  
Albert McGUINESS  
Bert GREEN  
Jack McCONNELL  
Bill HOWES  
Bill BROGAN (c)  
Bob LINDFIELD  
Charlie CORNWELL



**Tries** George WILLIAMS  
Bill KELLEWAY  
Alf BIRTLES

Bill BROGAN (2)

**Goals** Ron HYDE (1)

Charlie CORNWELL (2)

### Match Description

**North Sydney:** Full-back: C Schiemer; three-quarters: T McGurin, D Deitz, R Hyde, A Birtles; halves: W Hamill (capt), J Page; forwards: W Kelleway, R Clifford, H Allwork, G Williams, J Savage, C Bennett

**Western Suburbs:** Full-back: T Magnus; three-quarters: S Black, A Brady, C Anderton, L Midson; halves: S Tancred, A McGuiness; forwards: B Green, W Howes, J McConnell, W Brogan (capt), R Lindfield, C Cornwell **Referee: H Irvine (Rugby League News 12th August 1933)**

Both teams improved on their displays in recent matches and the game was played at a fast rate throughout. North Sydney's forwards carried the day. They were ably led by Kelleway who was in the thick of the fray and Williams and Bennett gave able assistance. North Sydney scored two tries to one try and a goal in the opening half to hold a lead of six points to five at half time. The team had played splendidly on occasions and deserved the lead. North Sydney did not have a good share of the ball in the opening part of the game but was first to score. The side launched a series of attacks and was rewarded when Williams gathered in the loose and gave a perfect pass to Birtles who was over in a flash. North Sydney did not have the lead long as Western Suburbs retaliated immediately and took play to their opponent's goal-line for Brogan to take a short pass and cross. Cornwell, who had missed with several penalty kicks, converted from a difficult angle. Just before the Interval Kelleway received a pass Just Inside the 25 yards and, although tackled by McConnell as he went across the line, managed to touch down for the try that gave North Sydney the half-time advantage. North Sydney went straight to the attack on the resumption and Kelleway and Birtles made determined dashes. After a period of even play North Sydney went further ahead following a fine run by Birtles. He had broken through at half-way and was swerving in to pass Magnus, when the fullback touched his foot and brought him down. Williams was handy and received a good pass to score under the posts. Western Suburbs responded as in the first half, Brogan scoring and Cornwell converting. Lindfield had continued to win the scrums for Western Suburbs but North Sydney made more use of its share. In the closing stages the Western Suburbs forwards could not win a scrum. Of the Western Suburbs team Magnus and Brady were outstanding Magnus playing in the three-quarters had been dropped into the third grade but he worked his way up again and made his reappearance in first grade as full-back. He played well throughout and though occasionally out-kicked by Schiemer his positional play, handling, tackling and running were excellent. Black, making a debut, and McConnell did well and Green played better when moved to centre when Anderton was injured. Brogan was more prominent than of late and twice scored. Deitz and Birtles were the best of North Sydney's backs, Birtles making many fine runs The forwards as already mentioned were splendid. **(The Sydney Morning Herald 31st July 1933)**

Rough monsoonal weather is being experienced in the Arabian Sea, but the Rugby League team is standing up well. All are in perfect health with exception of Morris, who is suffering from ear trouble. The ship's surgeon has decided that the best place for him is in hospital on board. He is receiving constant treatment and is expected to recover before reaching England **(The Sun 29th July 1933)**

**Notes:** The Wests' selectors were obviously still experimenting to find a team and this was an improved performance. Tom Magnus (ex-Balmain) had been dropped to Third Grade but was promoted for this match and went very well. This was the debut game for Sen Black Ascencio Joseph Black - ex-St Josephs)) and Albert McGuiness; "Podgy" McGuiness playing until 1943 and being selected for City Firsts. The experiment of Bert Green playing five-eighth obviously failed as he was back to the forwards and Stan Tancred came into the halves, although Green played in the centres later in the game when Cec Anderton was injured. Charlie Cornwell missed a number of shots at goal which ended up being the deciding factor. Lindfield, as usual, was totally on top in the scrums. Note the first mention of the illness of Ray Morris en-route for the Kangaroos. The bombshell of his death would be received shortly and had a profound effect.