



# 1967 Round 15 Saturday 1st July North Sydney Oval



## Western Suburbs 12

def.

## North Sydney 2

Don PARISH  
 John ELFORD  
 Peter DIMOND (c)  
 Roy FERGUSON  
 Dave BARSLEY  
 Denis PITTARD  
 Ross GOODMAN  
 Barry BRYANT  
 John ARMSTRONG  
 Jim CODY  
 Doug WALKADEN  
 Ken STONESTREET  
 John HAYES  
 Rob McGUINNESS

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

Mick MAHER  
 Eric SLADDEN  
 Col GREENWOOD (c)  
 George AMBRUM  
 Merv DENT  
 Bob CAMDEN  
 Dinny O'BRYAN  
 John GUDGEON  
 Bill CANE  
 John SULLIVAN  
 Jim SCHROEDER  
 Ross WARNER  
 Lloyd WEIER  
 Dave WOOD

### Tries

Don PARISH  
 Denis PITTARD

### Goals

Dave BARSLEY (2)  
 Don PARISH (1)

Bob CAMDEN (1)

### Match Description

**North Sydney:** Full-back: M Maher; three-quarters: E Sladden, C Greenwood (c), G Ambrum, M Dent; five-eighth: R Camden; half: D O'Bryan; forwards: J Gudgeon, W Cane, J Sullivan, J Schroeder, R Warner, L Weier

**Western Suburbs:** Full-back: D Parish; three-quarters: J Elford, P Dimond (c), R Ferguson; five-eighth: D Pittard; half: R Goodman; forwards: B Bryant, J Cody, J Armstrong, D Walkaden, K Stonestreet, J Hayes **Referee: L Samuelson (as per program Rugby League News 1st/2nd July 1967 + newspaper validation)**

Former Rugby League Test full-back Don Parish yesterday played the major role in Western Suburbs' 12-2 win over North Sydney at North Sydney Oval. Parish constantly made the extra man in Wests' attack and scored a brilliant try which led to Norths' downfall after a scoreless first half. Second-rower John Armstrong did the spadework for this try. Armstrong got winger John Elford going, and Parish chimed into the raid at the right time. Parish was left with a 30-yard dash to score between the posts. Wests were in for their second try before Norths settled down again. This time five-eighth Denis Pittard escaped three tacklers in a swerving run from midfield. Winger Dave Barsley converted both tries and Wests had a 10-0 lead. Barsley had been unlucky not to score three tries in the first half. On each occasion Barsley was tackled into touch just short of the tryline. Continuing to attack in the second-half, winger Dave Barsley again was unlucky to miss two more tries. Parish was the key man in both these movements. .... Wests lost centre Roy Ferguson at half-time. Ferguson retired with a cut eye. Wests' halves Ross Goodman and Denis Pittard combined well and gained ground on several occasions. The packs were evenly matched for most of the match. But Wests forwards got on top in the closing stages. **(Sunday Telegraph 2nd July 1967)**

Wests beat a seven-year North Sydney Oval hoodoo with a second half rally for a 12-2 points victory over Norths yesterday. Their previous failures on this ground – together with a first round loss to Norths – gave Wests a first half complex that was not overcome until the second half. Referee Les Samuelson handed out 13 cautions as the forwards struggled hard for possession. Norths failed to make full use of the ball in attack. They dominated the scrums throughout the game but failed to move towards the Wests' line. Wests sparkled when given the chance by former international Don Parish, playing at full-back, when he attacked with his crowd-thrilling runs. There was further excitement when Wests' flying winger, Dave Barsley made many runs along touch but unfortunately could not cross for a try. .. Both teams replaced players at half-time, when Dave Wood came on for Merv Dent and went to centre for Norths. Bob McGuinness replaced the promising Roy Ferguson who had left the field with an eye injury. In the second half Parish landed a goal and minutes later Bob Campbell kicked a field goal to make the scores two-all after seven minutes' play. Wests then scored a brilliant try as Ross Goodman was away to send to John Armstrong and the big second-rower ran hard before giving to winger John Elford. Elford then raced for the line but reverse-passed and the ever-alert Parish was there to go in and score. Barsley goaled and Wests led by seven points to two. Norths rallied but with three minutes to go Wests five-eighth Denis Pittard scored a great try. Second-rower Jim Cody made a break near half-way and Pittard was up in the attack to take the pass and beat three defenders in a side-stepping run to the line. Parish, Pittard, Barsley, Barry Bryant and Cody led the Wests' players, ... **(Sunday Mirror 2nd July 1967)**

**Notes:** This was a strong win by Wests who hadn't won at North Sydney Oval for seven years. The forwards laid the foundation for the win, with Bryant and Cody very dominant. Roy Ferguson was forced from the field with a cut mouth and was replaced by Bob McGuinness. Dave Barsley had a dashing match with many exciting runs along the sideline which saw him close to scoring three tries. Goodman and Pittard also played all over their opponent halves.