1967 Round 16 Sunday 9th July Sutherland Oval



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Cronulla-Sutherland 0





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

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

Gordon ABERCROMBIE
Brian COX
Ron DUTTON
Graham SAMS
Bill ELLIOTT
Jack DANZEY
Terry HUGHES
Eric BARNES
Gary MacDOUGALL
Ralph HARDING
Monty PORTER (c)
John HYNES
Alan McRITCHIE

Tries John ELFORD (2)

Peter DIMOND Denis PITTARD

Goals Don PARISH (7)

Match Description

Western Suburbs: Full-back: D Parish; three-quarters: J Elford, P Dimond, R Ferguson, D Barsley; five-eighth: D Pittard; half: R Goodman; forwards: B Bryant, J Cody, J Armstrong, D Walkaden, K Stonestreet, N Kelly (c)

Cronulla-Sutherland: Full-back: G Abercrombie; three-quarters; B Cox, R Dutton, G Sams, W Elliott; five-eighth: J Danzey; half: T Hughes; forwards: E Barnes, R Harding, G MacDougall, M Porter (c), J Hynes, A McRitchie Referee: D McDonald (as per program Rugby League News 8th/9th July 1967 + newspaper validation)

Western Suburbs Rugby League team yesterday combined their late bid for the semi-finals with an impressive 26-0 win over Cronulla-Sutherland at Sutherland Oval. Wests' full-back Don Parish gave a masterful display. He landed seven great goals and had a hand in two of Wests' tries. Wests raced to a 19-0 lead at half-time after burly winger John Elford had crashed in for two tries and five-eighth Denis Pittard scored under the posts. Elford was injured scoring his second try and left the field with an injured leg. Wests' forwards, with Barry Bryant, Jim Cody and Noel Kelly prominent, were far too strong for their opponents. (Daily Telegraph 10th July 1967)

Western Suburbs preserved its hopes of reaching the Rugby League semi-finals by beating Cronulla-Sutherland 26-0 at Sutherland Oval yesterday. Wests scored four tries and full-back Don Parish, who had a superb game, kicked seven goals from 10 attempts. Wests' five-eighth Denis Pittard made another bid for Kangaroo tour selection with a fine match. Winger John Elford retired with a bruised leg after playing 30 minutes during which he scored two tries. Wests' captain-coach, Noel Kelly, had a quiet match after receiving an early caution. He won the scrums 6-3 in the first half, but finished level, 12-all with Cronulla hooker John Hynes. (Sydney Morning Herald 10th July 1967)

Wests' captain Noel Kelly did some sending off of his own at Sutherland Oval yesterday. He waved John Elford from the field as the winger limped back to his position after scoring his second try eight minutes before half-time. Elford bruised a leg and Kelly didn't want to risk him, particularly as Wests were ahead 14-0. The captain's gesture which sent Elford to the dressing-room and brought Rob McGuinness into the game would have done credit to a top referee. He's quite observant, is Kelly. (The Sun 10th July 1967)

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Notes: Wests kept their semi-final hopes alive with a convincing win. John Elford had been brilliant, scoring two tries before half-time, but was injured in scoring his second and was replaced by Rob McGuinness. Noel Kelly was back and displayed his usual leadership qualities. Barry Bryant and Jim Cody continued their stellar form and were far too strong for their forward opponents.