1940 Round 2 Saturday 27th April Henson Park

WESTERN SUBURES

Newtown 30 def. Western Suburbs 9

Fred SMITH Athol STEWART Tom KIRK Ken ROBERTSON Jack DANZEY Tommy NEVIN Merv WHALE Allan ELLIS (c) Keith PHILLIPS Frank MULVILLE Frank FARRELL Arthur FOLWELL Alan WELLINGTON Fullback Wing Centre Centre Wing Five-eighth Half Lock Second Row Second Row Front Row Hooker Front Row Bill KEATO Bruce BROWN Cal LYNCH Fred BABER Jack WHITEHURST Phil COOPER Albert McGUINESS Max GRAY (c) Stan SIMPSON Ron CAMPBELL Ken LOCK Alex PATRICK Jack PIPER

TriesKen ROBERTSON (2)Frank FARRELLTom KIRKFrank MULVILLEKeith PHILLIPS

Tom KIRK (4)

Allan ELLIS (1) Ken ROBERTSON (1)

Goals

Stan SIMPSON (3)

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Match Description

Newtown: Full-back: F Smith; three-quarters: A Stewart, T Kirk, K Robertson, J Dansey; halves: T Nevin, M Whale; forwards: A Ellis (capt), K Phillips, F Mulville, F Farrell, A Folwell, A Wellington

Western Suburbs: Full-back: W Keato; three-quarters: B Brown, C Lynch, F Baber, J Whitehurst; halves: P Cooper, A McGuiness; forwards; M Gray (capt), S Simpson, R Campbell, J Piper, A Patrick, K Lock Referee: T McMahon (Rugby League News 11th May 1940)

It was not raining when the match opened, and about 2500, were present. ... Newtown, with a fairly stiff breeze to assist, was on the attack, but fine defence held them out. Wests were penalised in their own 25, and Kirk kicked an easy goal. Newtown 2, Western Suburbs nil. McGuiness, Piper, Brown and McGuiness again figured in a good Western Suburbs movement which ended in Newtown's 25. However, a long kick sent the ball back, and just inside Wests' half Nevin secured from a ruck, sent to Robertson, who weaved his way past two defenders, then cut in beautifully to score a fine try. Kirk converted with a long kick. Newtown 7, Western Suburbs nil. Newtown continued to make the pace fast, and continually kept Wests in their own 25. Baber received a nasty bump and was forced to leave the field. Mulville picked up from a ruck just outside Wests' 25, and battled his way through. He sent to Kirk, and the big Newtown three-quarter, using his weight well, shook himself free of two tacklers, beat Keato and scored under the posts. Ellis converted. Newtown 12, Western Suburbs nil. Wests came back well and carried the game to Newtown's 25, and a penalty to Wests saw Simpson kick a nice goal. Newtown 12, Western Suburbs 2. ...Four penalties in succession to Wests brought play to Newtown's 25. A fifth followed and Simpson kicked another goal. Newtown 12, Western Suburbs 4. Newtown now hammered the Western Suburbs defence, and it was not long before a score came. Whale secured within Wests' 25, sent to Nevin, who propped, then passed back infield to have the defence standing. He ran to full-back Keato, and passed to Farrell who scored an easy try between the posts. Robertson converted, Newtown 17. Western Suburbs 4.Half-time scores: Newtown 17, Western Suburbs, 4. ... The game was exceptionally fast, and the Newtown backs, handling well, made a lot of ground. Then came a grand Newtown try. Ellis picked up near halfway, sent to Mulville, to Wellington, to Phillips, to Farrell. Mulville was back in it again, and received a pass from Farrell to score. All the forwards handled the ball like backs. Kirk converted. Newtown 22, Western Suburbs 4. For a time, Western Suburbs looked dangerous. Gray just missed scoring under the posts. However, two penalties sent Western Suburbs' back, Kirk, finding touch in Newtown's 25, with the second. The resultant scrum, Whale secured, sent to Robertson, who cut in perfectly to score a fine try. Kirk converted. Newtown 27, Western Suburbs' 4. Brown gave Western Suburbs supporters a grand thrill with a run along the wing. He evaded man after man and shot in-field and then coming to the full-back, gave to Simpson who scored. The same player converted. Newtown 27, Western Suburbs 9. Danzey, kicking through in Western Suburbs' 25, sent to Mulville, to Phillips, who was tackled by Keato, but he broke clear and scored. Ellis failed. Newtown 30, Western Suburbs 9. (The Sun 27th April 1940)

Notes: This match was played after a two day back-up from Saturday. Newtown ran with a strong breeze and when Fred Baber was forced off with concussion, they got on top and led 17-4 at half-time. Even though Fred Baber came back on in the second half, the Newtown backs threw the ball about in dazzling fashion and completely outplayed Wests.

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