

Peter NOBBS

Bob LANIGAN (3) One field goal

Goals

Don PARISH (3) One field goal

Match Description

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

Newtown: Full-back: A Maddalena; three-quarters: R Lanigan, R Keyes (c), B Moore, D Cotter; five-eighth: R Carnegie; half: P Nobbs; forwards: J Oakley, G Wilson, L Boyle, B Olive, C Jeffreys, P Quinn Referee: D McDonald (as per program Rugby League News 5th/6th August 1967 + newspaper validation)

Western Suburbs and Newtown drew 12-all in the Rugby League match at Pratten Park yesterday. A magnificent field goal by Don Parish in the final minute of play gave Wests their draw. Parish drop-kicked the goal from 45 yards out as the siren sounded end of the game. Newtown held the lead from the start of play. Running with a stiff breeze Newtown held a half-time lead of 8-5 over Western Suburbs at Pratten Park. Newtown scored after five minutes when Brian Moore collected the ball 40 yards out and out-sped the opposition to cross in the corner. Bob Lanigan converted with a fine kick form the sideline. Newtown 5-0. Four minutes later Newtown went further ahead when Peter Nobbs followed on after kicking ahead and favoured by the bounce scored wide out. Lanigan failed to convert. Three minutes later from a scrum breach by Newtown, Don Parish kicked a goal. Newtown 8-2. Wests returned to the attack and reduced the leeway when Peter Dimond brushed off three tacklers and scored in the corner. Parish failed to convert. After Lanigan had missed a goal from right in front, Newtown attacked strongly and first Cotter and then Moore were stopped inches short of the line. Jefferies was called out for a warning by the referee and Parish missed an easy goal. In the second half Newtown went further ahead when Lanigan kicked a goal. This put Newtown in front 10-5. With 20 minutes remaining, Lanigan put Newtown further ahead with a great goal from the sideline. Following a good run by Armstrong, Peter Dimond collected his pass and raced away to score. Parish converted the gaol to reduce the Newtown lead to 12-10. (Sunday Telegraph published as Sunday News 6th August 1967)

Newtown started in great fashion with two clever tries by Brian Moore and Peter Nobbs and a conversion by Bob Lanigan to lead by 8-0 after eight minutes. Moore had a fine match, with many strong runs and sound defence. He was ably supported by Carnegie and Nobbs. The star of the game was undoubtedly Western Suburbs; centre Peter Dimond who scored two good tries. Dimond's crashing runs always had the Newtown defence worried and his own tackling was as rugged as usual. Looking at the game from a Kangaroo's team viewpoint Dimond and Moore showed they deserved consideration for another representative game. Alan Maddalena, the Newtown full-back, and Denis Pittard, the Western Suburbs five-eighth had quiet games, being overshadowed by Parish and Carnegie. Five minutes form the end Newtown forward Les Boyle was ordered from the field for repeated infringements of the rules by referee D McDonald. (Sunday Mirror 6th August 1967)

Notes: Wests came from behind to snatch a draw with a late Don Parish field goal, slotted from 45 yards out. Wests looked to be in trouble until two strong tries by Peter Dimond. Both Dimond and Brian Moore, opposing centres, had strong games and pressed their claims for further representative honours. Parish continued his good form, seeming to have recovered from the previous week's concussion.

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