

1967 Round 22 Sunday 20th August Brookvale Oval

Manly-Warringah 26 def. Western Suburbs 11

Bob BATTY	Fullback	Don PARISH (c)
Les HANIGAN	Wing	John MOWBRAY
Alec TENNANT	Centre	Roy FERGUSON
John McDONELL	Centre	Rob McGUINESS
Gary COLLINS	Wing	Dave BARSLEY
Bob FULTON	Five-eighth	Denis PITTARD
Frank STANTON	Half	Bruce BEER
Bill BRADSTREET	Lock	Jim CODY
John MORGAN	Second Row	John ARMSTRONG

Mick VEIVERS Front Row Doug WALKADEN
Fred JONES (c) Hooker Ken STONESTREET

Front Row John HAVES

Second Row

Barry BRYANT

Bill HAMILTON Front Row John HAYES

Tries Bob BATTY (2) Denis PITTARD Alec TENNANT (2) Roy FERGUSON

David KNOX

Frank STANTON John ARMSTRONG John MORGAN

Goals Bob BATTY (4) Don PARISH (1)

Match Description

Manly-Warringah: Full-back: R Batty; three-quarters: L Hanigan, A Tennant, J McDonell, G Collins; five-eighth: R Fulton; half: F Stanton; forwards: W Bradstreet, J Morgan, D Knox, M Veivers, F Jones (c), W Hamilton

Western Suburbs: Full-back: D Parish (c); three-quarters: J Mowbray, R McGuiness, R Ferguson, D Barsley; five-eighth: D Pittard; half: D Pittard; forwards: J Cody, B Bryant, J Armstrong, D Walkaden, K Stonestreet, J Hayes Referee: K Page (as per program Rugby League News 19th/20th August 1967 + newspaper validation)

A broken breast-bone will rule Western Suburbs plucky five-eighth Denis Pittard out of the final Kangaroo trial on September 3. Pittard suffered the injury against Balmain last week, but kept it a secret so he could play against Manly yesterday. As soon as the game started he knew he should not have played. "I was gone after the first tackle but because I still had a chance of winning "The Sun's" best and fairest award I decided to see it out," he said. Pittard, who would have had an excellent chance of playing in the final Kangaroo trial, was a dejected figure after the game. From a Kangaroo point of view the performances by Fulton, Tennant and prop Mick Veivers were worth jotting down. ... Wests played brightly in patches and their centre Roy Ferguson could get a run in the final Kangaroo trial. (The Sun 21st August 1967)

Manly Rugby League team, inspired by a faint hope of gaining a semi-final berth, swept to a convincing 26-11 win over Western Suburbs at Brookvale Oval yesterday. The match was fast and open with Manly, apart from a short period in the first half, always the superior team. Six fine tries rewarded Manly's efforts. Tries by Alec Tennant, Bob Batty and Frank Stanton put Manly in front 11-3 at half-time. Wests narrowed the gap soon after the interval when centre Bob McGuinness made a fine break and slipped the ball to five-eighth Denis Pittard who stretched out and just got the ball over the line. ... The duel between five-eighths Bob Fulton (Manly) and Denis Pittard (Wests), who are vying for Kangaroo tour selection, was the highlight of the match. Fulton started the match brightly. Making several weaving runs but later was more subdued. Though Pittard was less prominent, he gave good service to Wests' backline throughout the match. (Daily Telegraph 21st August 1967)

Manly-Warringah scored a convincing 26-11 win over Western Suburbs in the match at Brookvale Oval. Injuries prevented Peter Dimond and Noel Kelly playing for Wests. Bob McGuinness moved in to centre, John Mowbray came up from the reserves to the wing, and John Hayes went in to the front row. ... Centre Alec Tennant, who scored two tries for Manly, had an outstanding game, but was cautioned late in the second half. Special interest was taken in the clash between five-eighths Denis Pittard and Bob Fulton. Pittard had a fairly quiet game for Wests, while Fulton gained the "Herald's" major points. Full-back Bob Batty, who scored two tries and kicked four goals from seven attempts, played a monumental role in Manly's victory. Lock forward Bill Bradstreet also had a fine game. (Sydney Morning Herald 21st August 1967)

Notes: Both Noel Kelly and Peter Dimond were out injured for this last match of the season, John Mowbray coming up from reserves for a rare appearance and John Hayes going into the front row. Denis Pittard also played injured, trying to win the Sun's best and fairest award. This made his clash with Bob Fulton a fizzer and Manly were on top for most of the match, although Ferguson and Armstrong both had very strong aames.

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