



1962 Round 4 Wednesday 25th April Pratten Park



Western Suburbs 24

def.

Eastern Suburbs 11

Don PARISH
 Fred NORDEN
 Robert McGUINNESS
 Gil MacDOUGALL
 Peter DIMOND
 Don MALONE
 Arthur SUMMONS (c)
 Kevin SMYTH
 Don HALL
 John HAYES
 Denis MEANEY
 Bill CARSON
 Brian HENDERSON

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

John ANDREWS
 Ron HANSON
 Gary WILLIAMS
 Peter GALLAGHER
 Bob LANDERS
 Tony STAVRIANOS
 Bruce RAINIER
 Bob HEFFERNAN
 Gavin CROFTON
 Merv CROSS
 Nev CHARLTON
 Ken ASHCROFT
 Terry FEARNLEY (c)



Tries Peter DIMOND (2)
 Don MALONE
 Bill CARSON

Bob LANDERS

Goals Don PARISH (6)

Bob LANDERS (4)

Match Description

Western Suburbs: Full-back: D Parish; three-quarters: F Norden, R McGuinness, G MacDougall, P Dimond; five-eighth: D Malone; half: A Summons (c); forwards: K Smyth, J Hayes, D Hall, D Meaney, W Carson, B Henderson

Eastern Suburbs: Full-back: J Andrew; three-quarters: RP Gallagher, R Hanson, G Williams, R Landers; five-eighth: B Rainier; half: R Stavrianos; forwards: R Heffernan, G Crofton, M Cross, N Charlton, K Ashcroft, T Fearnley (c) **Referee: K Parkinson (Daily Mirror 25th April 1962)**

International Rugby League full-back Don Parish yesterday spearheaded Western Suburbs to an impressive 24-11 win over Eastern Suburbs at Pratten Park. Parish landed six goals from nine attempts, three of them from acute angles. Wests' forwards, despite the absence of international hooker Noel Kelly and second-rower Kel O'Shea, completely subdued Easts' pack. With "makeshift" hooker Bill Carson badly beaten in the scrums, Wests' back-row forwards were forced to cover-defend stubbornly. Easts' hooker Ken Ashcroft had a 15-6 majority in the scrums. Despite a sparse share of the ball, Wests' backs excelled themselves. Wests' defenders' crash-tackling continually caused the Easts' attackers to lose possession. Lock Kevin Smyth revelled in defence. Two tries which burly winger Peter Dimond scored and a snap try by five-eighth Don Malone had Wests a commanding 15-4 lead at half-time. Dimond showed fine anticipation to score his first-half tries. Easts' full-back John Andrew "presented" Malone with a try shortly before half-time. Andrew dropped the ball only five yards from the line, and Malone scooped it up to score. Wests only won two scrums in the second half. Easts, despite a feast of the ball, rarely looked dangerous. Winger Bob Landers scored Easts' only try late in the match with a good solo effort. He ran around Dimond and brushed off a tackle by Parish in a 50-yard burst. Landers also kicked four penalty goals. **(Daily Telegraph 26th April 1962)**

Full-back Don Parish and winger Peter Dimond figured prominently in Western Suburbs' convincing 24-11 win over Eastern Suburbs at Pratten Park yesterday. Parish, an impressive return after a heel injury, kicked 6 goals and almost scored two tries. He crossed for one try after chiming into the backs but this was over-ruled by referee Keith Parkinson, who claimed a double movement. Two clever tries by Dimond helped Wests to a handy 15-4 lead at half-time. Dimond was always dangerous and made the most of his limited opportunities. Both teams were weakened by injuries to key players. Wests lost captain and second-rower Kel O'Shea and Easts were without centre Doug Ricketson, five-eighth Bill McNamara and winger Boyce Beeton. Wests badly missed hooker Noel Kelly, who expects to be fit by Saturday week. Wests deserved to win, particularly because of their superb tackling in the second half, in which they were "starved" of the ball. They had possession for only eight minutes and in that time hooker Bill Carson scored a fine try and Parish landed three goals. Lock Kevin Smyth, hooker Carson and five-eighth Don Malone did some grand tackling to jolt Easts' determined second-half attack. Hefty winger Bob Landers scored all 11 points for Easts. He landed four penalty goals and scored the team's only try, from half-way. **(Sydney Morning Herald 26th April 1962)**

Notes: Despite losing the scrums 15-6, Wests were able to dominate the match with Carson and Smyth outstanding in the forwards and Parish and Dimond devastating in the backs. Don Hall made his debut in the absence of Kel O'Shea and played well. Wests had now won three of their first four games and were looking like potential finalists already.