

1964 Round 6 Saturday 9th May Pratten Park

Newtown 21 def. Western Suburbs 13

Bob BARRETT Fullback Ray PICKLUM Pat DONOGHUE John MOWBRAY Wing **Paul CUNEO** Gil MacDOUGALL Centre **Bob KEYES** Centre **Rob McGUINESS Brian MOORE** Wing Peter DIMOND Arthur SUMMONS (c) Tony BROWN (c) Five-eighth **Reg HATTON** Half Don MALONE John OAKLEY Lock Ron COSTELLO **Graham WILSON** Second Row Doug PAGE Ron HANSEN Second Row John HAYES **Bruce OLIVE** Front Row **Denis MEANEY** Clarrie JEFFRIES Hooker Ken OWENS **Paul QUINN** Front Row **Noel KELLY** Replacement John KEARNS

Tries Reg HATTON (2) John MOWBRAY

Brian MOORE (2)
Paul CUNEO

Goals Bob BARRETT (2) Doug PAGE (4)

Tony BROWN (1) Ray PICKLUM (1)

Match Description

Newtown: Full-back: R Barrett; three-quarters: P Donoghue, P Cuneo, R Keyes, B Moore; five-eighth: A Brown (c); half: R Hatton; forwards: J Oakley, G Wilson, R Hansen, B Olive, C Jeffries, P Quinn

Western Suburbs: Full-back: R Picklum; three-quarters: J Mowbray, R McGuiness, G MacDougall, P Dimond; five-eighth: A Summons (c); half: D Malone; forwards: R Costello, J Hayes, D Page, D Meaney, K Owens, N Kelly Referee: J Jacobsen (as per program Rugby League News 9th/10th May 1964 +newspaper validations)

Kangaroo captain Arthur Summons may decide to retire from Rugby League football for the balance of the season. After leading Western Suburbs against Newtown at Pratten Park today he will travel to Wagga for discussions with officials there. Summons' football future depends on these talks. He would probably retire if Wagga doesn't agree to pay a record fee of £3,500 placed on him by Wests at a special committee meeting last night.......Summons' agreement with Wests expires at the end of the current season. Summons must be considerably upset by the high transfer fee, particularly in view of the position he has accepted as manager of Wagga Leagues' Club ensures his future in life....... (The Sun 9th May 1964)

Rugby League Test forward Noel Kelly was sent off the field at Pratten Park yesterday, but referee Jack Jacobsen may have made a mistake. Kelly, from Western Suburbs, and Newtown hooker Clarrie Jeffries were ordered off 11 minutes before half-time for scrum infringements. But the scrum in which Kelly was ordered off was the first in which he had packed down as hooker. This was one of an extraordinary number of events in the match which Newtown won 21-13, after leading only 10-8 midway through the second half. Among the points of the match which will be talked about for some time were: *Wests played under three captains, Arthur Summons, until he left the field with a recurrence of an injury, Kelly until he was sent off, and then Peter Dimond. *The Kelly incident should he have been sent off or did referee Jacobsen think that Ken Owens, who had been cautioned earlier, was still hooking? *Whether two tries scored by Newtown in the second half, which helped them win the match, were actually "tries". The Kelly incident, some hard-to-follow rulings ending with doubtful tries, earned Jacobsen a hostile reception when he left the ground. Wests' officials were convinced after the match that Jacobsen had erred when he sent Kelly off. Kelly had been cautioned previously with fellow Kangaroo Paul Quinn, when the pair traded a couple of punches in a scrum. After Owens had been pulled out and cautioned, Kelly told him to switch around and he would go into the hooking position. "It could have been the most expensive decision I have made for a while," the crestfallen Kelly said after the match. ... Wests' players milled around arguing it was the first scrum in which Kelly had been hooker. While this was going on, Jeffries kept tugging at Kelly's arm, pointing out to the referee that Kelly had been hooker. "If I was going off then I wanted to make sure their best forward came with me." Jeffries said later. As they were walking off, salt was rubbed into Kelly's "hurt" as the Newtown team raced through the disorganised Wests' defence to score their second try and go to an 8-4 lead. ... (The Sun-Herald 10th May 1964)

Notes: This was sensational match for many reasons. Firstly, it was Arthur Summons' last match for Wests as he was injured after 24 minutes, but also because of his move to become Manager of Wagga League's Club. He was replaced by John Kearns. Secondly, Noel Kelly was sent off along with Clarrie Jeffries for repeated scrum breaches although it was Kelly's first scrum as hooker! The referee seemed to confuse him for Ken Owens. Ray Picklum replaced Ken Bray at full-back and the team looked disorganised and struggled to contain the pacy Newtown team.

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