



# 1909 Round 10 Saturday 7th August Wentworth Park



## Newtown 15

E WILLIAMS  
 Frank MUNNERY  
 Edward BURDETT  
 John SCOTT  
 ? COFFEY  
 Frank CHEADLE  
 H LEE  
 R WALKER  
 W CROMPTON  
 J DONOVAN  
 Herbert CHEVALL  
 Thomas McINTOSH  
 W MURRAY

def.

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

## Western Suburbs 2

Tom PHELAN (c)  
 Bill MEDCALF  
 Raymond GORMLEY  
 Claude McFAYDEN  
 James SPEIRS  
 Charles ELLIOTT  
 Percy FRANKS  
 H KEMP (Newtown Reserve)  
 Horace HERINGTON  
 W MOORE (Newtown Reserve)  
 Ted MEAD  
 William Walter WRIGHT (Newtown Reserve)  
 Robert ELLIS  
 Joseph Henry THRUSSELL (Newtown Reserve)

**Tries** Edward BURDETT  
 Frank CHEADLE  
 Frank MUNNERY

**Goals** Frank CHEADLE (2)  
 John SCOTT (1)

Bill MEDCALF (1)

### Match Description

**Newtown:** J. Williams, full back ; C. Munnery, J. Scott, K. Gaffey, A. Burdett, three-quarters ; F. Cheadle, five-eighth, J. Lee, half ; C. McIntosh, J. Donovan, T. Murray, J. Cheval, T. Walker, and J. Crompton, forwards

**Western Suburbs:** T. Phelan, full back ; three-quarters, Halling, Bloomfield, J. Spears, Medcalf; five-eighth Elliott; P. Franks, half E. Meade, J. Herrington, W. Moore, W. Trussell, W. Wright and H. Kemp, forwards. **Mr. A. Ballerum referee.**

Western Suburbs in the contest at Wentworth Park had a patched-up side, which included a number of players drawn from the opposition team's reserves. The game therefore lacked seriousness. Newtown had the better of it throughout, leading 13 to 2 at the interval and adding another goal, thus winning by 15 to 2. The attendance was less than 100.

The Blues kicked off against a light wind, and for the opening ten minutes uninteresting play took place between the twenty-fives. Newtown then worked into a good position, Phelan was tackled with the ball, and from inside Western Suburbs' 25 the nine forwards dribbled over the line, and Burdett calmly trotted up and put his hand on it. From the touch-line Cheadle finely converted. Newtown 5 to nil. Western Suburbs made a brief visit to the Blue's territory, and gave full back Williams an opportunity to put in some good work. Then Newtown again attacked. From a scrum about 15 yards from the line their forwards heeled to Lee, who wandered a trifle slowly round the scrum and passed to Cheadle, who whipped it out to Munnery, who dashed across in the corner. Cheadle just failed at goal. 8 to nil..... A long kick by Williams brought play to near centre, whence Metcalf had another attempt at goal, and, for a change, succeeded. 8 to 2. Just prior to the interval the Blues scored a rather neat try. The forwards, at half-way, heeled to Lee, who went around the left of the scrum and passed out to Cheadle, who cleverly side-stepped a few opponents and passed in on his right to Scott. After a short run the three-quarter sent it back to Cheadle, and the tricky one cut in towards the goal and scored between the posts— very nice football. He easily converted. Half-time, 13 to 2.

Shortly after resuming, Elliott (W.S.) injured his knee and retired. The game went on, absolutely devoid of sparkle. .... Next, Scott had a try from half-way, and landed a brilliant goal. It was the only bright item in this spell. The players were amused, and the Blues jocularly urged on their club-mates in the enemy's ranks. Munnery ran strongly along touch till downed by Phelan, who was adding to the gaiety by losing his jersey in instalments. The football comedy went on scorelessly. **(Sunday Time 8th August 1909)**

“The teams may better be described as Combined Newtown-Western Suburbs, as no less than four Newtown Second Grade donned the black and white jerseys. To do the League any justice the cards should be a little correct.” **(The Sunday Sun 8th August 1909)**

“Western Suburbs were short-handed, several of their men being ill with influenza .....” **(Referee 11th August 1909)**

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**Notes:** The last game of the season saw Wests again short of players and reserves from Newtown played for them, much to the amusement of the regular Newtown players. H Kemp, W Moore, William Walter Wright and Joseph Henry Russell (actually Thrussell) never played another game for Wests so were obviously the Newtown players. H Kemp, W Moore, Walter Wright and William Russell are therefore recorded as Newtown players. The comments in The Sunday Sun and The Referee show that some originally selected players didn't play; e.g., Halling and Bloomfield. At the end of the season the very future of Wests was at stake, new blood being desperately needed.