



1914 Round 14 Saturday 22nd August Wentworth Park



Glebe 13

def.

Western Suburbs 5

Dugald McGREGOR
 J FLANAGAN
 Jack HICKEY
 Fred SAUNDERS
 J SOMMER
 Alec BOLEWSKI (c)
 Phil REGAN
 Jack KNIGHT
 Jack BARTLEY
 Sid PERT
 Dan KELLY
 Albert GRAY
 Frank BURGE

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

Harry CLARK
 Harold SLY
 Cecil FOORD
 Charlie COLLIER
 Dick VEST
 Henry McILLMURRAY
 J NICHOLSON
 Edward COURTNEY (c)
 Martin ANDERSEN
 William JOASS
 Frank HOLT
 Clarrie TYE
 Arthur GILLET
 Daniel FREEMAN
 Rupert UPTON



Tries Frank BURGE (2)
 Albert GRAY

Frank HOLT

Goals Alec BOLEWSKI (2)

Henry McILLMURRAY (1)

Match Description

Glebe: D McGregor, full-back; J Flanigan, J Hickey, F Saunders, E Somers, three-quarters; A Bolewski, five-eighth; P Hogan, half-back; F Burge, B Gray, D Kelly, S Pert, J Bartley, J Knight, forwards

Western Suburbs: H Clarke, full-back; C Collier, C Foord, H Vest, H Sly, three-quarters; H Mcillmurray, five-eighth; J Nicholson, half-back; F Holt, W Joass, M Anderson, A Gillett, C Tye, E Courtney, forwards. Joass and Sly retired, replaced by J Freeman and Upton **Referee, Mr A Farrow.**
(Referee 26th August 1914)

This game was devoid of any note-worthy feature for the opening 20 minutes. Glebe held the advantage in the scrummages, but this was counter-balanced by the deadly tackling of the Westerners. Bolewski was the first to score by means of a penalty kick, but Glebe was not allowed to hold the lead for long, as Clarke soon afterwards made a brilliant run, which ended in Holt scoring. At half-time Western Suburbs led by 3 points to 2.

The leaders started the second half resolutely, and Mcillmurray goaled from a penalty. Glebe now began to display better understanding in their back division, and repeated onslaughts gave the western defence a parlous time. A smart dash by Gray sent F Burge over for a try, which Bolewski converted. Glebe 7 to 5. From now onwards the Reds monopolised the play, and tries were added by F Burge and Gray, and the final whistle sounded with Glebe victors by 13 points to 5. **(Sunday Times 23rd August 1914)**

Glebe defeated Western Suburbs by 13 points to 5 at Wentworth Park. At half-time Western Suburbs led by 3 points to 2. For the winners Burge (2) and Gray scored tries. Bolewski converted one, and kicked a penalty goal. For Wests, Holt scored, and Mcillmurray kicked a goal.

“Clarke went down heavily, and it was some time before he could resume. Right up ‘til the close of the game he was “groggy” and showed the effects of the bump.” **(The Saturday Referee and the Arrow 29th August 1914)**

‘Glebe were lucky to win against Wests but the former were trying out a lot of new blood in view of the City Cup competition. **(The Sydney Sportsman 26th August 1914)**

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Notes: Wests were again weakened with injuries but this game is notable for the first appearance of the great Dick Vest who played for Wests until 1925. He was born Richard Vesperema and came from Westmead Boys Home (placed there after his father died in a mine accident) to play in Parramatta Juniors and then made a debut here on the wing as a 17 year old. Glebe were also weakened, experimenting with Second Graders, J Flanagan, Fred Saunders and J Sommer.