


1976

Brian Moore (ex Newtown and Macquarie) came in as First Grade Coach in 1976. West finished 2nd in the Premiership and were beaten 22 – 15 by South in the Grand Final. Reserve Grade were also beaten in the Grand Final 20 – 12 by Lakes.




However Third Grade, under coach, Brian Warby, were Major and Minor Premiers. They defeated North 39 – 2 in the Grand Final. The West team was 1. J Hulbert

2. N Freund (3 tries) 3. R Christie (try) 4. W King (2 tries) 5. V Cronin (6 goals) 6. W Evans (2 tries) 7. P Anderson 8. G Gidley 9. J O'Donohue (try) 10. J Budin 11. K Hutchinson 12. D Duncan 13. G Skeers. Four players came to West in 1976 who would make a great contribution to the Rosellas. Jon Hulbert came from Dungog. He is one of only 2 players to play 100 games for West in First Grade and Reserve Grade (the other being Greg Price). Tim Lawrence came from Gunnedah, and played 75 games from 1976 to 1980. The sons of the publican from Sandy Hollow, Mick (pictured) and Owen Wallace also arrived in 1976. In future years both of Mick's sons, Shaun and Jason, would follow in their father's footsteps at West. In some regards the 1976 season was "un4ortunate" – because West lost their 4th successive First Grade Grand Final. However, "stand back a foot or so" and realise the significant achievement in reaching 4 successive Grand Finals!



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MARLBORO PREMIERSHIP **HARKER OVAL**

SATURDAY, 7th AUGUST, 1976 — 2.45 p.m. * Denotes Imported Player

WEST (Rosellas)

Coach: Brian Moore

Red and Green	Age	Wgt
1. BILL CARRIG.....	22	12.2
2. RON BAILEY.....	19	10.6
3. OWEN WALLACE.....	21	12.4*
4. TIM LAWRENCE.....	22	12.0*
5. PETER PERKINS.....	26	11.7*
6. PAUL SLATTERY.....	21	12.6
7. ROBERT (Jackie) WRIGHT (c).....	21	11.0
8. TERRY STEVENS.....	25	12.0*
9. GREG OWENS.....	20	14.7
10. RICK MCCARTHY.....	24	14.3*
11. WAYNE RANDALL.....	22	15.2*
12. ALLAN DAGWELL.....	27	11.7
13. RON SPARKES.....	27	17.2*

Referee: Tom Gustard

SCRUMS 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16

PENALTIES 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
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SOUTH (Lions)

Coach: Terry Clawson

White with red	Age	Wgt
1. JOHN (Choc) ANDERSON.....	27	14.2
2. PAUL MILLS.....	28	12.7*
3. GLEN MARSHALL.....	24	12.0
4. TERRY DAY.....	23	14.0*
5. MICK BICKLEYOT.....	29	12.5
6. GARRY BANKS.....	30	12.7
7. ROBERT "Ricky" GRIFFITHS.....	24	11.2
8. PETER HOWLETT.....	24	14.1*
9. PAUL MERLO.....	21	14.4
10. GAVIN GLEESON.....	30	14.0*
11. GLEN WILKS.....	20	13.9*
12. GLEN LOGUE.....	20	11.2*
13. TERRY (The Claw) CLAWSON (c).....	34	14.12*

Touch Judges: Frank Kitcher (Blue), Nev Craig (Red)

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Pre Season	Opponent	Result	Opponent	Result
Round 1	Lakes	Won 7 - 2	Rd 4 - North	Lost 10 - 8
Round 2	Cessnock	Won 16 - 4	Rd 5 - Central	Won 21 - 11
Round 3	Maitland	Lost 17 - 10	<i>Play off – 3 v 4 – West 21 South 15</i>	
Competition	Opponent	Result	Reserves	Thirds
Round 1	North	Won 12 - 11	Lost 9 - 5	Lost 10 - 4
Round 2	Waratah	Lost 18 - 17	Lost 15 - 9	Won 26 - 11
Round 3	Cessnock	Won 12 - 9	Won 26 - 11	Won 25 - 8
Round 4	Lakes	Won 14 - 10	Won 14 - 2	Won 18 - 15
Round 5	Kurri	Won 16 - 15	Won 16 - 2	18 all Draw
Round 6	Macquarie	Won 54 - 10	Won 29 - 10	Won 28 - 2
Round 7	Central	Won 19 - 10	Won 18 - 8	Won 14 - 12
Round 8	South	Lost 17 - 6	Won 20 - 10	Won 11 - 10
Round 9	Maitland	Won 33 - 20	Lost 10 - 7	Won 12 - 3
Round 10	Waratah	Won 14 - 5	Won 21 - 14	Won 15 - 13
Round 11	North	Lost 17 - 7	Won 13 - 12	Won 17 - 5
Round 12	Cessnock	Won 34 - 10	Won 35 - 0	Won 23 - 11
Round 13	Lakes	Won 25 - 11	15 all Draw	Won 21 - 11
Round 14	Kurri	Lost 18 - 11	Won 10 - 8	Won 34 - 5
Round 15	Macquarie	Won 49 - 7	Won 43 - 2	Won 61 - 7
Round 16	Central	Lost 38 - 6	Lost 19 - 12	Won 16 - 11
Round 17	South	Won 15 - 13	Won 12 - 9	Won 23 - 5
Round 18	Maitland	Lost 18 - 10	Won 32 - 9	Won 21 - 13
Major Semi	Lakes	Won 22 - 17	West 24 North 15	West 31 – Nth 12
GRAND FINAL	South 22	West 15	Lakes 20 West 12	West 39 North 2