

First Grade Records – 1910 to 2017



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Year	1 st Grade Coach	Position	Comments
1910	Bill "Snog" Lightfoot	4 th (Last)	Withdrew from Potter Shield after Rd 4
1911	Bill "Snog" Lightfoot	3 rd	No Semi Finals (only 4 clubs)
1912	Bill "Snog" Lightfoot	1st	Def East 10 – 7 in Potter Shield Final
1913	Freddie Bell	2 nd	Lost 18 – 0 to East in Potter Shield Final
1914	Freddie Bell	4 th	
1915	Freddie Bell	1st	Def North 16 – 8 in Potter Shield Final
1916	Freddie Bell	2nd	Def North 10 – 8 in Potter Shield Final
1917			No Competition
1918			No Competition
1919			Lost "Bolshevik" Final to South 7 - 2
1920		3 rd	No Semi Finals
1921		1 st	Lost Final to Central 5 - 3
1922		1st	Def Central 5 – 0 in Cornish Shield Final
1923		1 st	Lost Semi Final to East 5 - 2
1924		5 th (Last)	
1925		3 rd	No Semi Finals
1926		4 th	No Semi Finals
1927		8 th	
1928			Won 4 games out of 16
1929		7 th	
1930	A Rice	4 th	Lost Semi Final 5 – 2 to North
1931	A Rice		
1932	Hans Mork		
1933	P Davis	Equal 4 th	Lost play off to Waratah 14 -5
1934	P Gray / A Noonan	7 th	
1935	Max Bailey	7 th	
1936	Max Bailey	7 th	
1937	Max Bailey	5 th	
1938	Max Bailey	Equal 4 th	Lost play off to Cessnock 11 - 8
1939	Cec Morgan	Equal 2 nd	Lost Final 34 – 5 to Central
1940	Dick Welshman	6 th	
1941	Ossie Screen	5 th	
1942	Cec Hinks		
1943	D Dunn	Equal 3 rd	Semi Finalists – Lost to South
1944	Cec Hinks		
1945	Ossie Screen	4 th	Lost Final 18 – 15 to War Mayfield
1946	Col Maxwell		Lost GF 11 – 3 to South
1947	Col Maxwell	Eq Minor Premier	Lost Final 15 – 4 to North
1948	Horrie Banks	3 rd	Semi Finalists Lost to North 12 - 7
1949	Horrie Banks	2 nd last (9 th)	
1950	Perce Clark	Last (10 th)	
1951	J.J. Wilson	Last (10 th)	
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1953	E Bunting/N Dagwell	Last (10 th)	
1954	Ken Mogg		Missed Semis
1955	Charlie Gill	2 nd	
1956	Charlie Gill		Won 5 games
1957	Horrie Banks	6 th	
1958	Jack Eveleigh	4 th	Semi Finalists. Lost to North 27 - 10
1959	Jack Eveleigh	5 th	
1960	Charlie Gill	3 rd	Semi Finalists. Lost to Cessnock 15 - 4
1961	Rex Elvin	Minor and Major Premiers	Grand Final West 10 – Waratah 9
1962	Rex Elvin	3 rd	Semi Finalists. Lost to South 27 -10
1963	Paul Pyers	7 th	
1964	Ron Walls	Minor Premiers	Lost Grand Final 27 -12 to South
1965	Brian Carlin	Eq Minor Premiers	Finalists. Lost to Maitland 19 -12
1966	John Hobby	Minor and Major Premiers	Grand Final West 31 – Cessnock 7
1967	John Hobby	Minor Premiers	Lost Grand Final to North 13 - 11
1968	John Hobby	Eq Minor Premiers	Major Semi Finalists. Lost Final to South
1969	John Hobby		Lost Major Semi to Lakes 12 - 8
1970	John Raper	3rd	Grand Final West 21 – Maitland 14
1971	John Raper	5 th	
1972	John Raper	3 rd	Finalists. Lost to Cessnock 21 - 20
1973	Dennis Ward	Minor Premiers	Grand Finalists
1974	Dennis Ward	Minor Premiers	Grand Finalists
1975	Dennis Ward	2 nd	Grand Finalists.
1976	Brian Moore	2 nd	Grand Finalists. Lost to South 22 - 15
1977	Brian Moore	5 th	
1978	Bob Adamson	Minor and Major Premiers	Grand Final West 23 – South 16
1979	Bob Adamson	6 th	
1980	David Howell	2nd	Grand Final West 17 – Cessnock 3
1981	David Howell	Minor Premiers	Grand Final West 13 – Cessnock 2
1982	David Howell	Minor and Major Premiers	Grand Final West 21 – Kurri 14
1983	Ron Broderick	2 nd	Finalists
1984	Gary Martine	E Minor Premiers	Grand Final West 10 – Lakes 2
1985	Gary Martine	2 nd	Finalists. Lost to Cessnock 20 -18
1986	Paul Merlo		Semi Finalist
1987	John McLeod	2 nd	Semi Finalists
1988	Gary Martine	4 th	Finalists. Lost to South 16 - 10
1989	Mal Graham	Minor Premiers	Grand Finalists
1990	Mal Graham	Eq Minor Premiers	Finalists. Lost Final 16 – 8 to Waratah
1991	Neil Baker	Minor Premiers	Grand Finalists
1992	Neil Baker	Minor and Major Premiers	Grand Final West 33 – Lakes 0

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1993	Neil Baker	Minor Premiers	Grand Finalists
1994	Neil Baker	Minor Premiers	Finalists
1995	Paul Martin	Minor Premiers	Grand Finalists
1996	Tony Price	Minor Premiers	Grand Finalists
1997	<i>Tony Price</i>	<i>2nd</i>	<i>Grand Final West 26 – Lakes 16</i>
1998	<i>Tony Price</i>	<i>Min / Major Premier</i>	<i>Grand Final West 51 – South 14</i>
1999	<i>Tony Price</i>	<i>Minor and Major Premiers</i>	<i>Grand Final West 22 – Cessnock 18</i>
2000	Paul Skovgaard		Lost Minor Semi
2001	Paul Skovgaard	3 rd	Grand Finalists. Lost to Lakes 18 -10
2002	<i>Troy Fletcher</i>	<i>2nd</i>	<i>Grand Final West 27 – Lakes 16</i>
2003	Troy Fletcher	Minor Premiers	Finalists
2004	<i>Troy Fletcher</i>	<i>Minor and Major Premiers</i>	<i>Grand Final West 32 – Northern Blues 28</i>
2005	Ryan Dagwell	Minor Premiers	Finalists
2006	Ryan Dagwell	4 th	Semi Finalists. Lost to Cessnock 30 -14
2007	Kurt Hancock	5 th	Semi Finalists. Lost to Cessnock
2008	<i>Kurt Hancock</i>	<i>Minor and Major Premiers</i>	<i>Grand Final West 12 – Cessnock 10</i>
2009	Kurt Hancock	5th	Semi Finalists. Lost to Kurri 24 - 20
2010	Dan Quinn	2nd	Finalists. Lost to Cessnock 34 - 22
2011	Craig Miller	2nd	Grand Finalists Maitland 19 def West 18
2012	<i>Craig Miller</i>	<i>2nd</i>	<i>Grand Final – West 16 def Cessnock 14</i>
2013	<i>Craig Miller</i>	<i>1st</i>	<i>Grand Final – West 21 def Kurri 8</i>
2014	<i>Craig Miller</i>	<i>Min / Major Premiers</i>	<i>Grand Final West 22 def Cessnock 8</i>
2015	Dean Botham	Minor Premiers	Minor Premiers – Lost to Macquarie 18 - 12
2016	Steve Storrie	3rd	Finalists – Lost to South 42 - 22
2017	Matt Lantry	Minor Premiers	Grand Final – Macquarie 24 def West 6