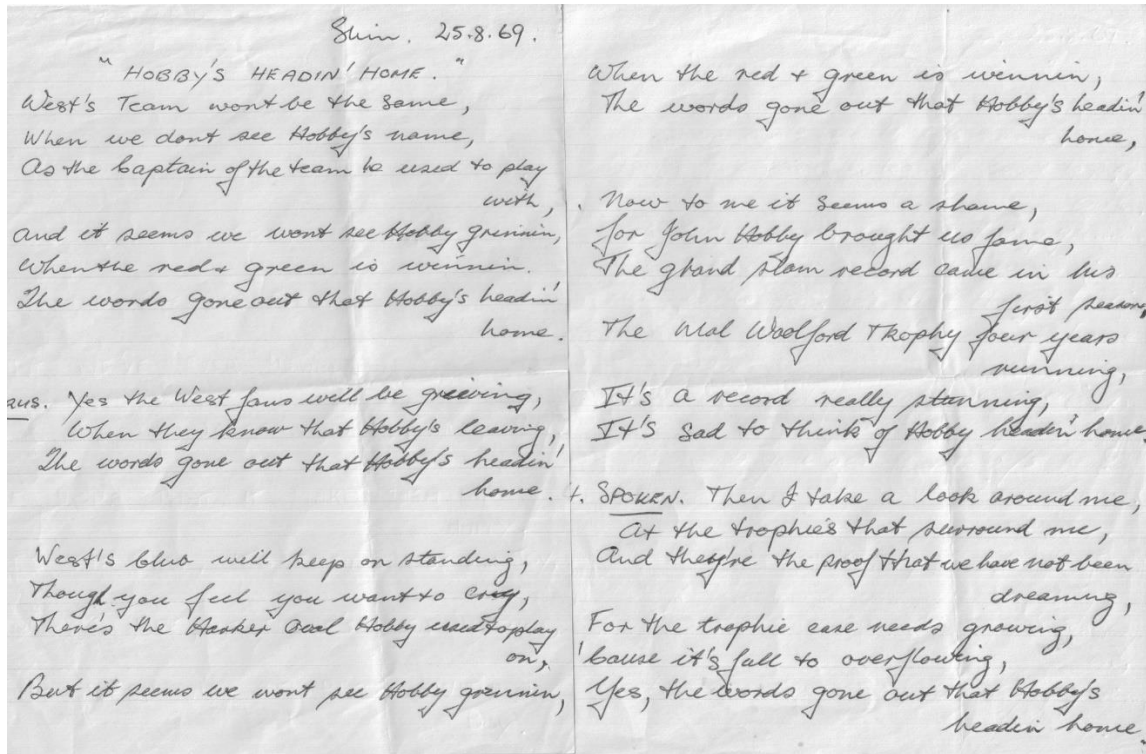


Slim Hunter's tribute poem to John Hobby – 25 August 1969

A rare find...the original of "Hobby's Headin' Home" was given to me by Wayne Hore in August 2017...with the question..."Have you seen this before?" The answer "No I haven't".. So this is a rare find..... and the great John Hobby did indeed return home to Eugowra in 1970 following 89 First Grade games over 4 years as Captain / Coach and a Premiership in 1966. GREAT...GREAT...PLAYER!!

Editors Note - I have changed just a few of the words in the poem...hopefully to make it rhyme a little better



"Hobby's Heading Home" Slim Hunter 25.8.1969

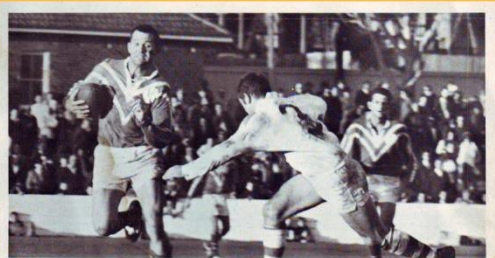
West's team won't be the same, when we don't see Hobby's name
As the Captain of the team he used to play with
And it seems we won't see Hobby grinning, whenever red and green are winning
The word's got out that Hobby's heading home

CHORUS Yes, The West fans will be grieving, when they know that Hobby's leaving
The word's got out that Hobby's heading home

West's club will keep on flying high, though some will feel they wanna cry
Because Hobby striding onto Harker will be finished
But it seems that Hobby won't be grinning, when the red and green are winning
The word's got out that Hobby's heading home

It seems to me an awful shame, because Hobby brought us all that fame
We won the Grand Slam in his first season
Mal Woolford trophy 4 years running, it's a record really stunning
It's sad to think that Hobby's heading home

Then I take a look around me, at the trophies that surround me
They are proof that we have not been dreaming
For the trophy case needs growing, 'cause it's full to overflowing
The word's got out the HOBBY'S HEADING HOME!



JOHN HOBBY

The Quiet Man of Rugby League