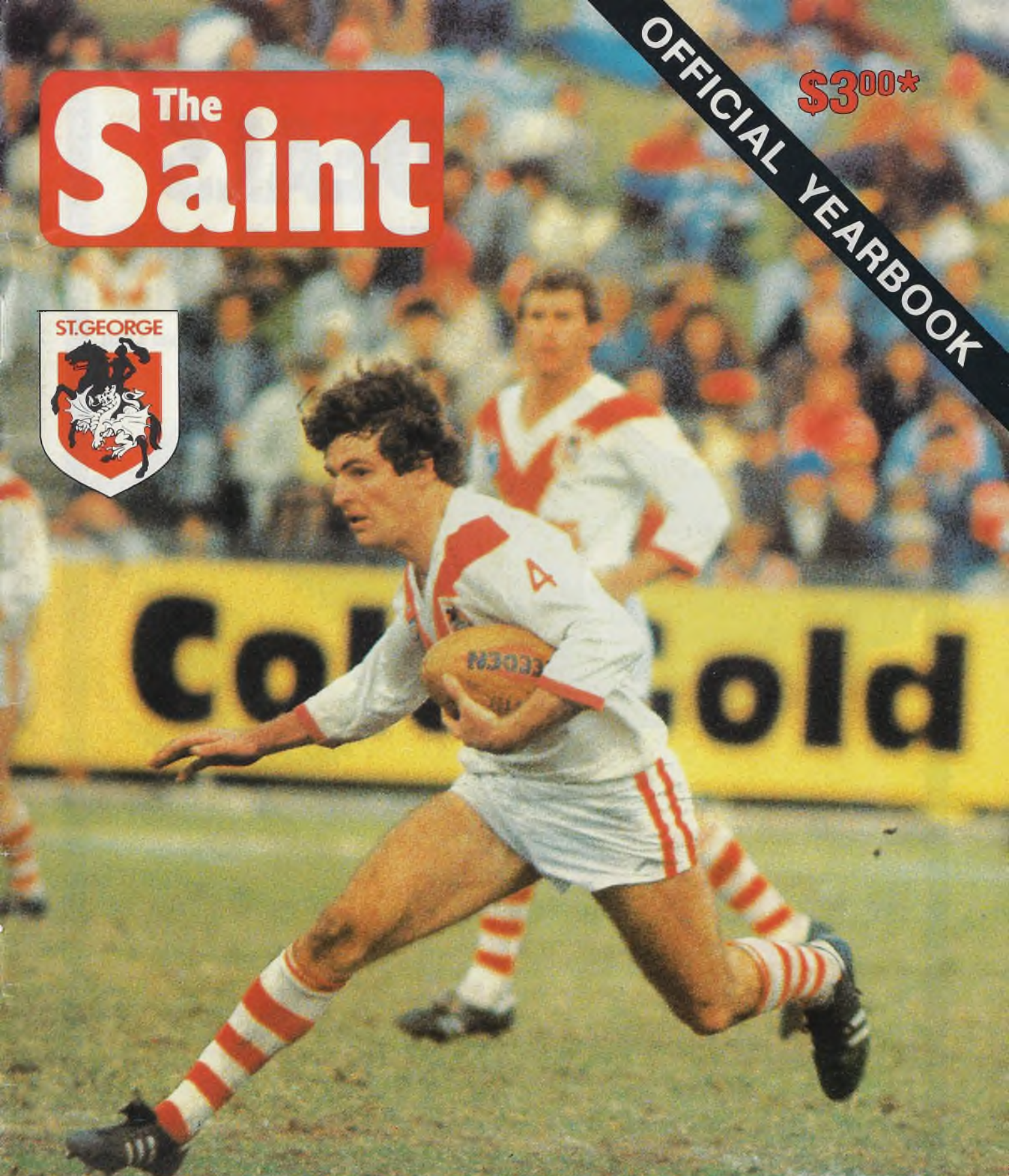


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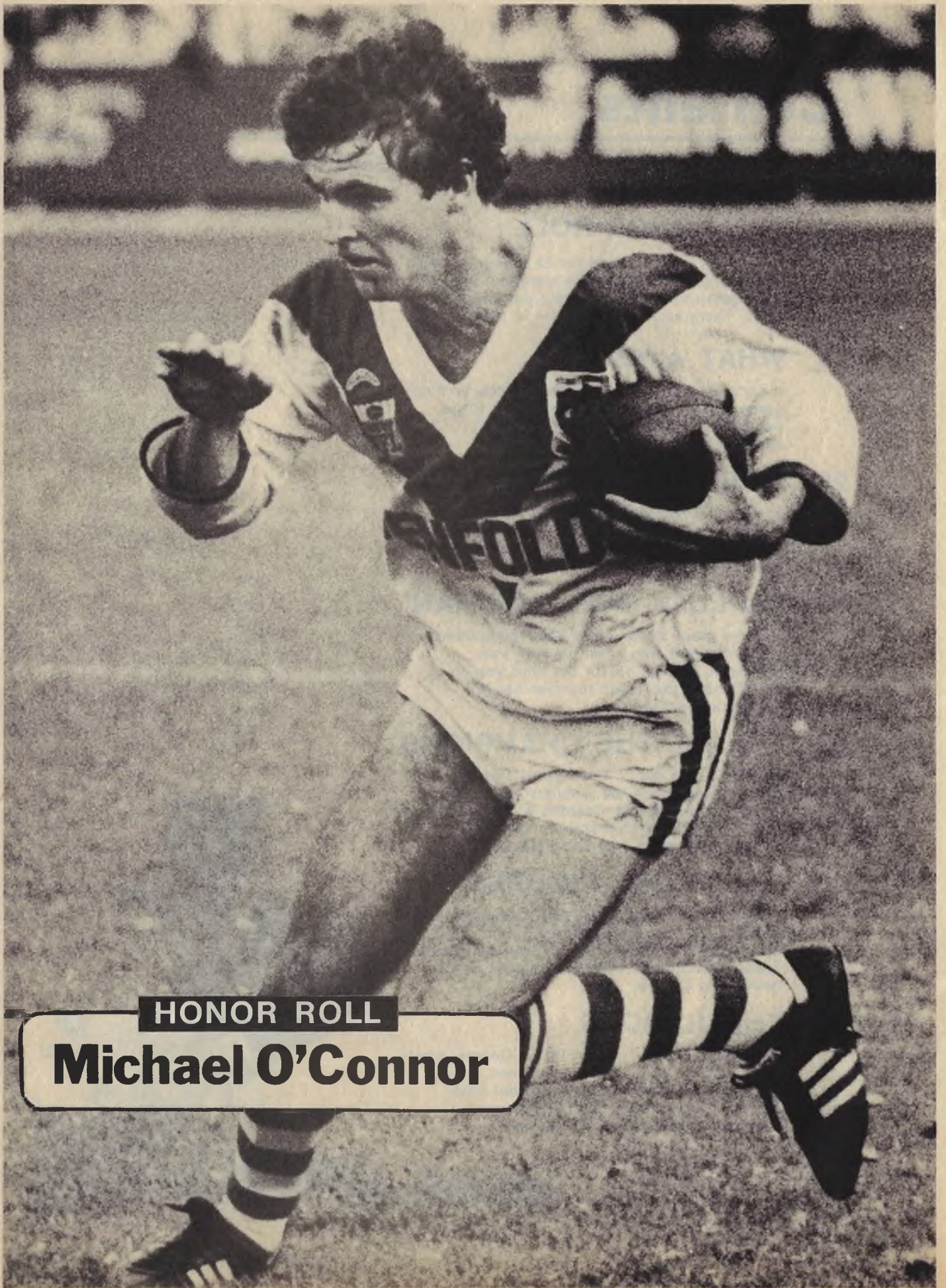
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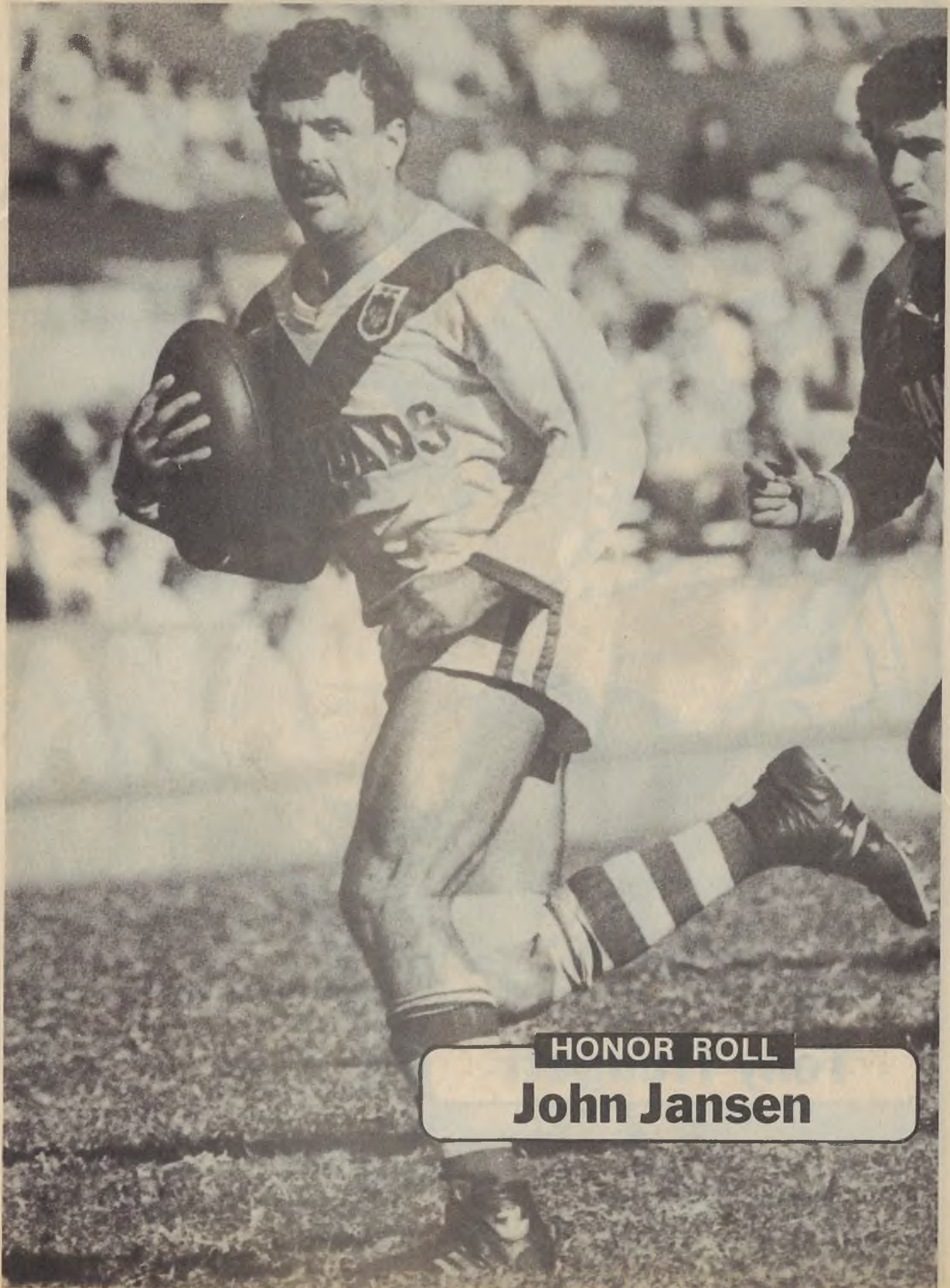
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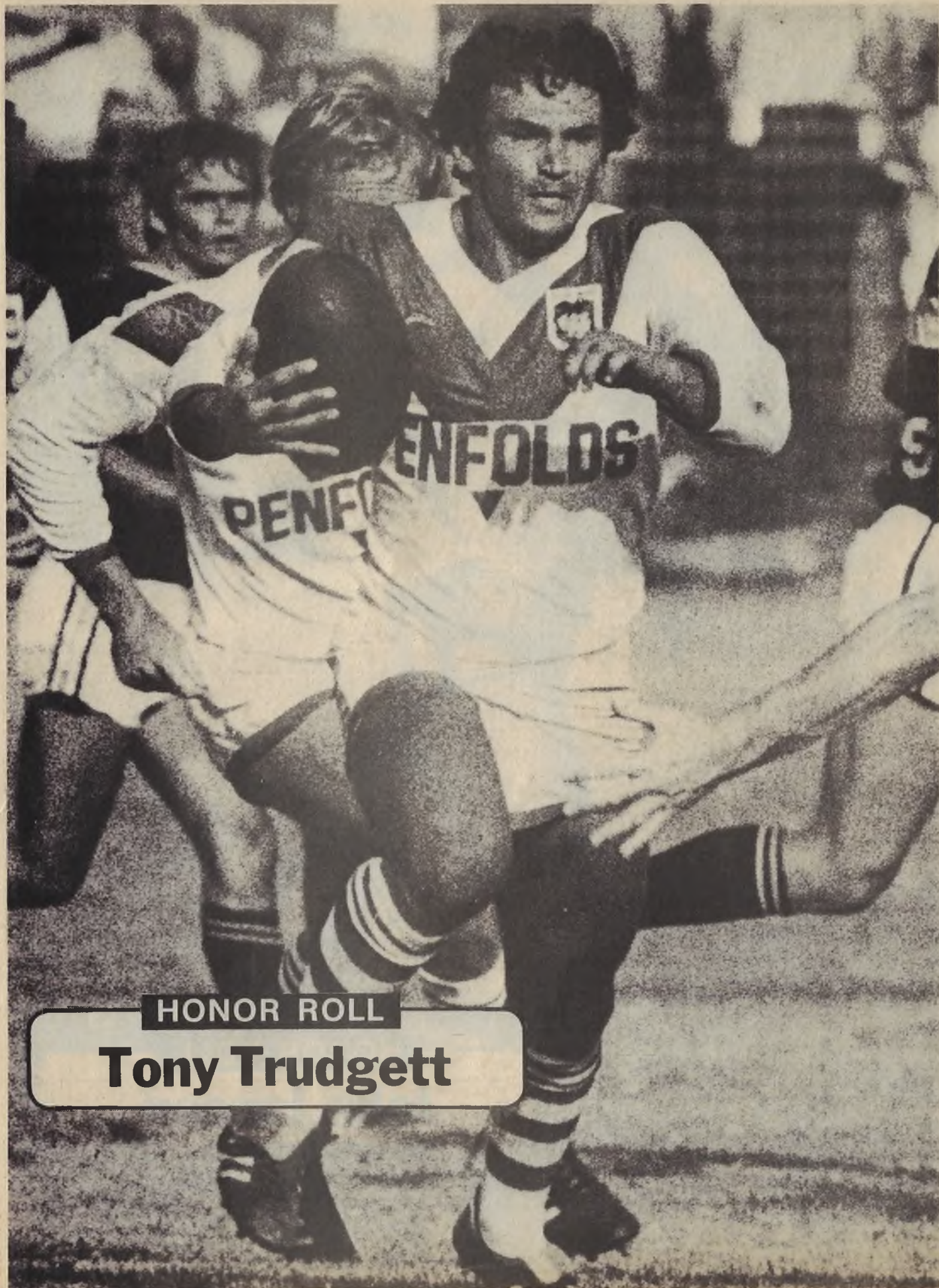
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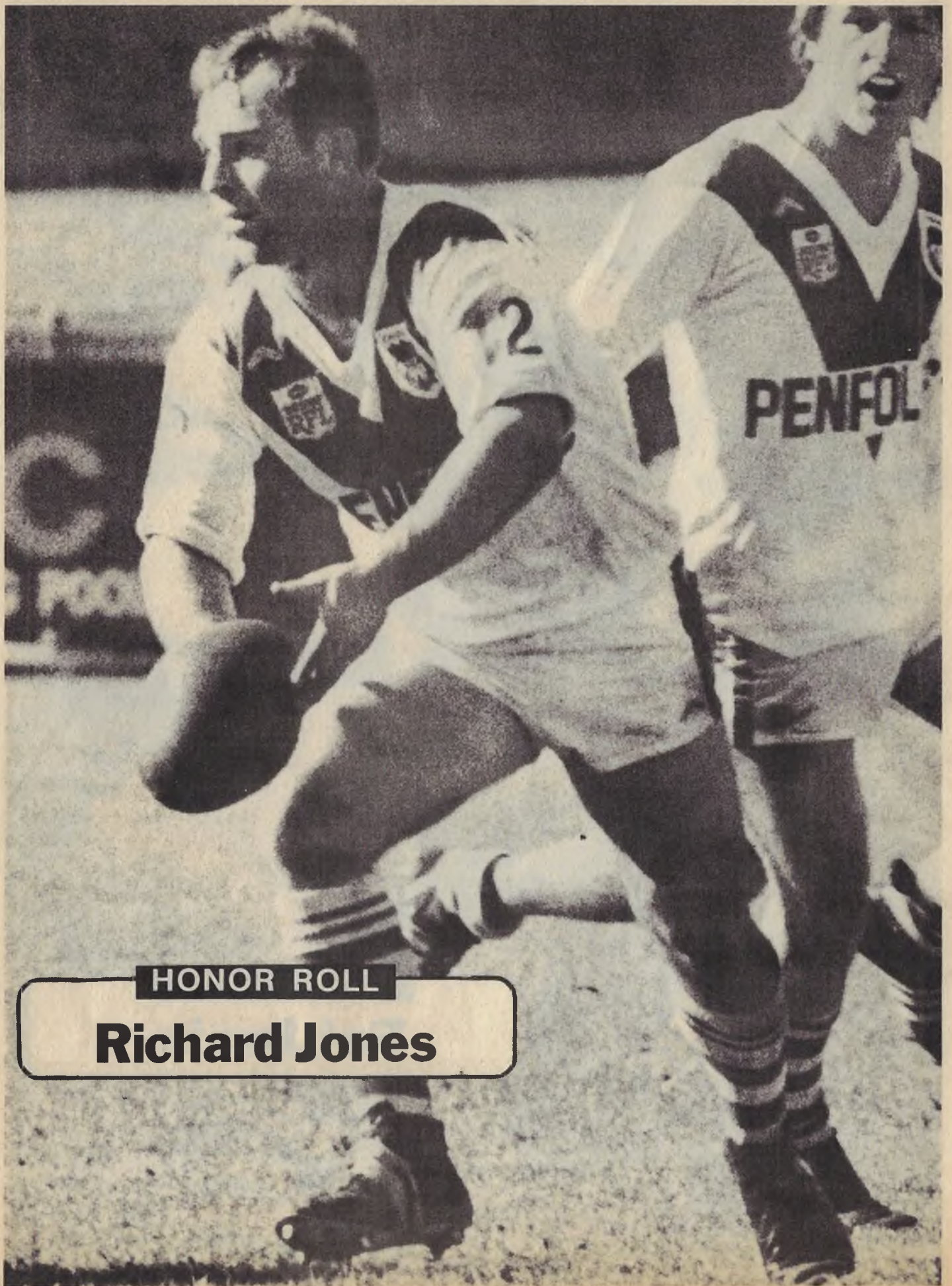
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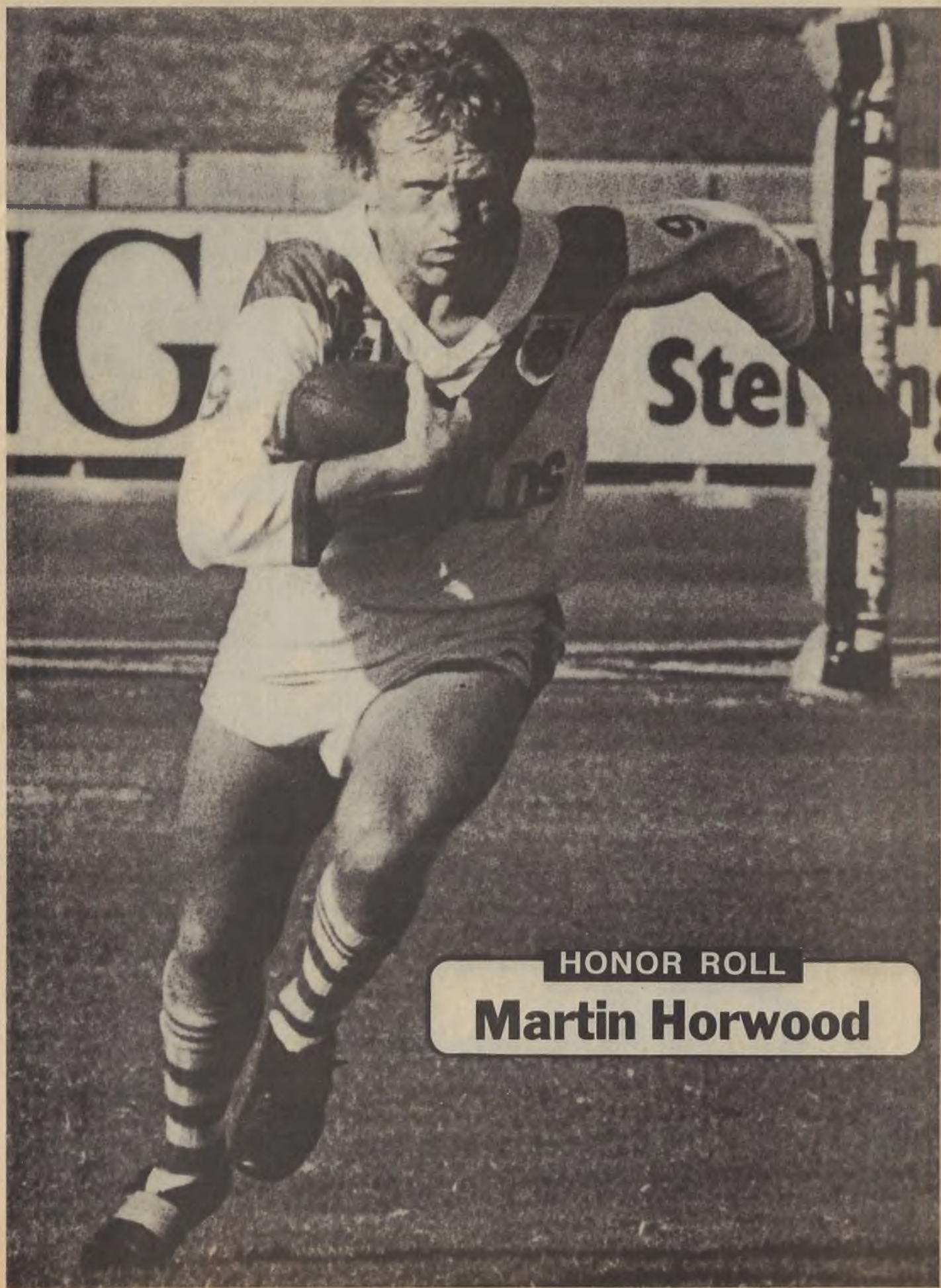
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Third Grade

Six of the best and third grade

THE SAINT's honor roll for 1983 is a selection of six players who were not necessarily the 'stars', but who made valuable contributions to the club's successful season.

The six are Michael O'Connor, John Jansen, Tony Trudgett, Pat Jarvis, Richard Jones and Martin Horwood.

And a special honor goes to Third Grade and John Bailey for their premiership win.

Many other players deserve individual praise and mention.

Players like Steve Rogers, who battled on with bad knee injuries at a time when the club desperately needed him.

Then there was hooker John Dowling, a stabilising influence on the side because of his experience and excellent ball winning.

Robert Stone contributed to the success of the lower grades for much of the season, but saved some great performances for his promotion to first grade.

Michael Beattie and Brian Johnston played key roles for the club at separate ends of the season.

Johnston played sensational football in the first round and secured a representative selection.

Injury took its toll, however, and Beattie was on the spot as a capable replacement.

The young centre impressed with his torrid defence and will-to-win.

Special mention goes to Chris Walsh, without a doubt one of the best players of the year.

Despite knee surgery early in the season, Walsh came back to the field full of confidence.

The 21-year-old did not put in a bad performance.

He tore the heart out of many teams with brute strength in defence and attack.

Ivan Henjak, in his first full year at halfback, showed he has the potential to reach great heights.

He has already shown organising abilities, is fast off the mark and is a team man all the way.

Henjak replaced Steve 'Slippery' Morris at halfback.

Morris had a stint in reserves, but later came back to firsts on the wing.

Morris showed remarkable strength in that position.

Although, he yearned to be back in the centre of the action, Morris didn't let his disappointment affect his game.

He was the top try scorer for the club and developed into a fine finishing winger.

Steve Gearin's first year in red and white had its ups and downs.

Injury played a part in the downs, but as the season progressed the former Canterbury winger appeared to settle in.

Fullback Brian Johnson was another to have a mixed year.

But there is no denying he is probably the best bomb-taker in Sydney.

Johnson won more awards from television and radio stations than any other player in the club.

When he was hot there was no stopping him.

Graeme Wynn rates a special mention.

His topsy-turvy form saw him plunge from first grade to third grade.

He wallowed in reserves for a spell and his form was disappointing.

Ironically, Wynn arguably had more to do with the late season resurgence than any other player.

His bursts up the middle were great to watch, but it was his defence and resolve in these matches that stood out.

Wynn late in the season was a different player.

Following is the honor roll.

MICHAEL O'CONNOR

MICHAEL O'CONNOR makes The Saint honor role following an outstanding debut season in Rugby League.

O'Connor, 22, showed a potential rarely seen in Rugby converts.

Soon after the start of the season he said he still had a lot to do in the Rugby League.

Many critics had already labelled him a player of the future.

O'Connor was realistic. He knew his shortcomings.

He told The Saint he had trouble adjusting to the difference in defen-

sive patterns between League and Rugby.

O'Connor is a 'perfectionist' and a winner.

He found it easy to criticise his own performances during the year.

When others praised, O'Connor took a more down-to-earth view.

The young centre had to adjust to playing with three partners during the season — Steve Rogers, Brian Johnston and Michael Beattie.

O'Connor has all the marks of a champion. He does things effortlessly.

His sidestep is impressive, as our cover photo of him shows.

Speed off the mark is another of his strengths. He sliced through many times from seemingly impossible positions.

Positional play in defence worried him throughout the year, but he improved in the latter stages.

A hamstring injury plagued him for several weeks and he had a 'settling-in' stint in reserves.

He found that hard to take.

"First grade is easier," he told The Saint.

It wasn't long before circumstances saw him back in the premier grade.

O'Connor has all the makings of a future representative.

The university graduate and Penfolds marketing assistant still has a lot to prove.

But the signs are there that it won't take him long to achieve his goals.

He's already represented at most levels of Rugby.

Perhaps it won't be long before he's a dual international.

JOHN JANSEN

THE John Jansen story in 1983 must be unique in Rugby League history.

JJ began the season as the 'forgotten' man in third grade.

He gave himself little hope of playing first grade again.

But he told The Saint that he was determined to enjoy the season.

Many labelled him the 'father figure' of the lower grades.

To many it appeared that JJ would



□ One of Saints' best players of 1983, centre Michael Beattie tries to get around his man.

play out his last season in the lower grades.

It's history now that Jansen went on to captain all three grades.

He steered thirds through the critical early season games.

When circumstances changed, he was promoted to reserves.

Again he captained the side admirably.

His prop forward play was in the classic tradition.

A former second-rower, Jansen moved to the front row because knee injuries had cut his speed.

But the 'old' JJ made an appearance every now and then.

He hadn't lost all that much speed.

The schoolteacher seemed to be a stabilising influence on any side he captained.

While Jansen's whole season was a success, the pinnacle did not come until the now famous second round match against Balmain.

Jansen was promoted from reserves to captain firsts.

Saints never looked back from that day.

Jansen helped steer the side to the semis — a seemingly impossible task on the day they played Balmain.

It was a fairytale story for St George and John Jansen.

He had led all three grades at different times of the year and had taken over the leadership of a team that had been 'wiped-off' for '83.

He looked like he was on a loser. JJ proved he wasn't. One of the true good blokes of Rugby League was rewarded.

TONY TRUDGETT

MR RELIABLE Tony Trudgett, the only player to play in all 29 first grade games in 1983, probably deserved more kudos than he received.

The five-eighths' form never faltered even when Saints' stocks dived.

Trudgett kept playing his usual solid game, rarely faltering.

Trudgett is another team player. His service to the backs is fast and unselfish.

Many times he tallied huge tackle

counts as he tightened the defence around the rucks.

Trudgett loves tackling and this showed when coach Roy Masters moved him to lock and then second row as an experiment.

The move probably didn't succeed, possibly because other changes gave the St George back-row a very lightweight combination.

The experiment over, Trudgett was back in his usual pivot spot . . . cauliflower ears and all.

Trudgett may not be one of the 'glamor' players in the competition, but for many he was a mainstay of the '83 team.

Like JJ, he was a settling influence.

Trudgett never seems to deviate from his game plan.

Perhaps it's the intense thought and concentration he puts in before a match.

The quietly-spoken Trudgett goes into a shell, pacing the dressing room with an almost blank look on his face.

Out on the field, however, there's

nothing slow or blank about the Number 6.

It's all go, go, go for Mr Reliable.

PAT JARVIS

THE Pat Jarvis story in '83 is simple — a 110 percent effort in every match.

Here is a young player who never once paced himself.

The muscular prop-cum-second-rower knew only one way to play the game — hard.

He did more damage to opposing attackers than can be counted.

Many times players lay hurt from the heavy, legal tackles of Pat Jarvis.

His powerful runs in attack left many defenders wary of a second 'hit'.

Jarvis was rewarded for his whole-hearted efforts with selection in the Australian Test squad to play New Zealand in New Zealand.

He played as a replacement late in the match.

Jarvis was a proud St George player.

Early in the second round Jarvis suffered injury and the season ended disappointingly.

However, he had played a vital role in the first part of the season.

When others' form slipped, Jarvis held the forwards together.

Jarvis was one of St George's strengths in '83.

He could look back proudly and look forward to greater rewards in the future.

RICHARD JONES

RICHARD JONES, the lower grade hooker, filled big shoes all year.

Young Jones took over the captaincy of third grade when John Jansen was promoted.

It wasn't long before he took over again as captain of reserves.

Then, when John Dowling with-

drew from first grade with injury during the Balmain semi, it was Richard Jones who came up.

Jones is a fine leader and open player.

He enjoys scoring tries.

When many would be over-awed, Jones took vast responsibility in his stride.

He admitted to being concerned at playing 90 minutes in first grade against Balmain.

Little did he know he would be playing 110 minutes of football because of extra time.

Jones made a good account of himself in the open although he lost badly in the scrums.

Jones' leadership in the lower grades would have done justice to a more experienced player.

Even when his teams were well ahead, Jones pushed and pushed some more for an extra effort.

He never gave up regardless of the scoreline.

Above all, Richard Jones enjoyed himself and the game.

MARTIN HORWOOD

JOHN DOWLING labelled Martin Horwood the most courageous player of the year and the rookie of the year.

Much was written on this remarkable, lightweight second-rower.

He started the year as a reserve for third grade.

He played a number of third grade matches, but somehow always found himself back on the bench.

Then came a stint in reserves.

It seemed to surprise him more than anyone else.

But the most exciting moments in his short grade career came in the last seven matches.

Roy Masters used the red-head as a late second half replacement in every one of those last seven matches.

It was fitting that this incredibly fit and enthusiastic player should land himself a spot in firsts.

Horwood tackles low all day. That's a virtue in Rugby League.

And he follows another of the golden rules to a tee — he backs up the ball carrier.

The remarkable Martin Horwood came from football oblivion at the start of the year.

Thanks to a massive cut to his forehead during the semis, Horwood became one of the most photographed faces of '83.

Horwood is no Ray Price. He would be first to admit he's no champion.

But his guts and enthusiasm earned him an important place in St George teams of 1983.

To be a replacement for the top team for the most important matches of the year is a far cry from being a reserve for thirds.

Martin Horwood has a lot of good memories.

THIRD GRADE and JOHN BAILEY

WHAT can be said about this great team.

They won the premiership.

They played touch football for most of their training sessions.

They enjoyed every one of their games.

They were a team on and off the field.

They were a mixture of youth and experience.

They were one of the best parts of the 1983 season.

They were the champions.

Congratulations.

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□ Brian Johnson sets himself to receive a pass from outstanding rookie Martin Horwood.

Saints' class of '83

THEY WERE brilliant; they were bad; they blossomed in the top matches and folded in easy ones!

They were the Saints of '83.

They were a team that had coach Roy Masters at the brink of despair one week and in tears of joy the next. Few areas were grey. And there were few excuses.

Despite Saints' topsy-turvy form they were never boring.

From the outset Saints captured everyone's interest.

There was the purchase of Steve Rogers, Steve Gearin and Graeme O'Grady. That made good headlines.

Then the critics began tipping Saints as one of the competition favorites.

When things went bad, those same critics had the Wiltshires at their sides. That made good headlines, too.

But the Saints are made of strong stuff.

After spending the majority of the season in the middle of the competition table, Saints launched into a remarkable run of wins that landed them a semi berth.

The turning point to what until then had been a disappointing year was July 31 at Leichhardt Oval.

Wins followed against Penrith, Newtown and Canberra.

But the best was yet to come.

St George supporters on Sunday, August 28, at Kogarah Oval, witnessed a match that just about made up for all the bad ones.

Saints beat Parramatta 32-2 to force a midweek play-off for fifth place.

The proud club was back on the tracks again. It's history now. They beat Easts in the play-off, Balmain in extra time of the first semi and then lost to Canterbury.

But to supporters it didn't seem to

matter that Saints got no further than fourth spot.

The last seven wins, the spirit Saints showed in the Parramatta match and against Balmain in the semi were all too good to be true.

After being wiped as a chance in 1983, all of NSW was talking about the mighty St George comeback.

Could they make history and win the title?

Everyone wanted to be part of one of the highlights of 1983 — Saints' miraculous march to the final five.

This season was the club's most successful since 1979.

All three teams were in the finals and thirds won their premiership.

Following is the year in review, a match-by-match rundown of St George first grade in '83:

GROUP 6 (Feb 6)

The first trial match of the year left Roy Masters with a broad smile.

He at last had a recognised goal-kicker in the first team in Steve Gearin.

"Isn't it great to have someone kicking from the sidelines," Roy said after the match.

Gearin kicked eight goals that day and notched four tries.

ST GEORGE 60 (Gearin 4, Wynn 4, Johnson, Trudgett, Casey tries; Gearin 8 goals) d GROUP SIX 4 (Cummings try). Crowd: About 6,000.

Scrums: Group Six 10-4. Penalties: Group Six 6-4.

SOUTHS (Feb 12)

This was the annual Charity Shield trial game played under lights at Redfern.

Saints blitzed 'em.

From the opening whistle, wave after wave of red and white jumpers surged toward Souths' line.

Saints were playing entertaining football, throwing the ball out wide and letting their speedy backs do the work with their speed.

Things were looking good for the coming premiership season.

ST GEORGE 28 (Gearin 2, Casey 2, Wynn tries; Gearin 4 goals) d SOUTHS 10 (Stewart, T. Rampling tries; Melrose goal). Crowd 9120.

Scrums: Souths 8-5. Penalties: Souths 17-8.

NORTHS (Feb 27)

Steve Rogers took the field for the first time in St George's colors.

The critics' spotlight was on him as well as Gearin and new lock Graeme O'Grady.

But it was Rogers who drew the loudest applause of the day when, in the 72nd minute, he crossed for a try.

ST GEORGE 38 (Morris 3, Johnston, Wynn, Rogers tries; Gearin 7 goals) d Norths 18 (Luckman, Williams tries; Kelly 5 goals). Crowd 9733.

Scrums: Norths 8-7. Penalties: Saints: 12-10.

SOUTHS (March 5)

Despite a hefty penalty deficit, Saints managed a well-earned victory against Souths for the second time in the season.

Fullback Brian Johnson copped a barrage of bombs, but he never faltered.

Saints were settling in to their new style of open, fast play.

Gearin continued his good early season form.

Graeme Wynn impressed with his powerful running.

ST GEORGE 22 (Johnson, Gearin, Wynn tries; Gearin 5 goals) d SOUTHS 12 (Simpkin, Hambly tries; Melrose 2 goals). Crowd: 9331.

Scrums: 8-all. Penalties: Souths 16-9.

WESTS (March 13)

Saints had attacked for four weeks, but the Wests' match was the time to test out the defensive pattern. It worked.

Wests were kept scoreless, but it took Saints almost 60 minutes to break the Magpie line.

Five-eighth Tony Trudgett had a top day in the mauling-type game.

Hooker John Dowling was another to shine.

ST GEORGE 18 (Johnston 2, Wynn, O'Connor tries; Gearin goal) d WESTS 0. Crowd 6476.

Scrums: Saints 11-8. Penalties: Saints 13-12.

CRONULLA (March 20)

The Sharks inflicted St George's first loss of the year in appalling conditions at Endeavor.

It was anyone's game with only the weather likely to determine the outcome.

Saints struggled through the rain and their natural speed game faltered.

Rod Reddy loved the heavy going which must have reminded him of England.

CRONULLA 14 (Anderson, Haddock tries; D. Sorensen 3 goals) d ST GEORGE 12 (Reddy, Johnston tries; Rogers 2 goals). Crowd 3142.

Scrums: Saints 10-7. Penalties: Cronulla 16-12.

ILLAWARRA (March 27)

The wheel appeared to be falling off the St George attacking machine.

Saints beat the Steelers convincingly on the scoreline, but they were beginning to show that lack of concentration which in later matches would prove disastrous.

Understanding and cohesion were missing.

Several good matches were to follow, but the really bad ones were just around the corner.

ST GEORGE 26 (Gearin, Jarvis, Rogers, Walsh, Trudgett tries; Gearin 3 goals) d ILLAWARRA 12 (Pomfret, McKellar tries; Henniker 2 goals).

Scrums: Illawarra 12-11. Penalties: Illawarra 13-11.

CANTERBURY (April 4)

'Bring back the magic tries.' That was the headline in The Saint after Canterbury had inflicted a 10-6 loss on Saints.

The attacking flair went out the window in this match.

Brian Johnston, playing superb football on the wing for most of the season, maintained his reputation with a good display against the Bulldogs.

He broke through late in the match and just missed scoring a try which would have at least drawn the game.

CANTERBURY 10 (Anderson, M. Hughes tries; Conlon goal) d ST GEORGE 6 (Johnston try, Gearin goal). Crowd 12,324.

Scrums: Saints 12-6. Penalties: Canterbury 13-12.

MANLY (April 10)

Saints should have won this match, but the breaks went Manly's way all day.

After several poor performances in

previous weeks, Saints finally got their act together and deserved to take away the two points.

It wasn't to be.

A big Kogarah Oval crowd must have gone away wondering what a team has to do to win.

Still, it was a thriller between two champion outfits.

Young Ivan Henjak, in his first top match of the year, succeeded in keeping the much-publicised Phil Blake quiet all day.

MANLY 14 (Boustead, Ribot tries; Eadie 3 goals) d ST GEORGE 10 (O'Connor try; Gearin 3 goals). Crowd 15,166.

Scrums: Manly 6-4. Penalties: Manly 14-13.

EASTS (April 17)

Saints were geared up for a big one against the Roosters.

But torrential rain, swirling southerly winds and injuries soon put paid to that idea.

The match resulted in a draw and despite the conditions was one of the best and most exciting of the year.

Steve Rogers had by far his best game of '83.

Michael O'Connor's form continued to improve; Brian Johnson chimed into the backline beautifully; the forward clashes were rugged and Brian Johnston's game had him a lay down misere for representative honors.

One sour note was a serious injury to Steve Gearin. It sidelined him for several weeks.

ST GEORGE 8 (O'Connor, Johnston tries) drew with EASTS 8 (Eden try; Eden 2 goals). Crowd 4358.

Scrums: Easts 9-8. Penalties: Easts 10-7.

BALMAIN (April 25)

Saints scored eight magic tries that gave supporters heart about the future.

Steve Rogers played sensationally, setting up tries, scoring two and kicking six goals and a field goal.

Brian Johnson wasn't far behind Rogers in the star stakes.

Balmain didn't know what hit them.

ST GEORGE 45 (Morris 3, Rogers 2, Johnson 2, Wynn tries; Rogers 6 goals, field goal) d BALMAIN 12 (Miranda, Martin tries; Filipaina, Miranda goals). Crowd 13,299.

Scrums: Balmain 14-7. Penalties: Saints 9-6.

PENRITH (May 1)

Penrith gave Saints a scare and a half on their home turf.

In a thriller, Saints scrambled through against a team of enthusiastic youngsters.

Brian Johnson had another top game including a stunning tackle of the year in front of the posts.

Unfortunately, this was the match Rod Reddy broke his foot, an injury

that would virtually put him out for the rest of the year.

ST GEORGE 18 (Kinchela, Dowling, Morris tries; Rogers 3 goals) d PENRITH 14 (Izzard, Jennings tries; Levy 4 goals). Crowd 9369.

Scrums: Penrith 9-7. Penalties: Penrith 16-10.

NEWTOWN (May 8)

Even Pat Jarvis' never ending workload couldn't save Saints from a determined Newtown victory.

Many critics claim this was the turning point for Saints.

They bombed a match they really had to win.

NEWTOWN 19 (Kelly, Wilson tries; Wilson 5 goals, field goal) d ST GEORGE 12 (Henjak, Morris tries; Gearin, Rogers goals). Crowd 4179.

Scrums: Newtown 6-5. Penalties: 14-all.

CANBERRA (May 15)

The scoreline was more applicable to cricket.

Saints scored plenty of tries, but so did the Raiders.

Perhaps Rod Reddy's defence around the rucks was missing?

Saints earlier had the best defensive record in the competition.

This soon changed.

ST GEORGE 43 (Morris 2, Johnston 2, Rogers, Casey, Johnson tries; Rogers 7 goals, field goal) d CANBERRA 30 (O'Sullivan 2, Grant, Fahey, McMahon tries; Giteau 5 goals). Crowd 6160.

Scrums: Saints 8-7. Penalties: Saints 15-9.

MANLY (May 29)

Ivan Henjak came of age and Craig Young answered his critics in this match.

But the bounce of the ball favored Manly again in the second encounter against Saints.

Even a prominent Manly player agreed Saints should have won.

This match was the beginning of a bad trot for Saints.

MANLY 31 (Close, Sigsworth, McCabe, Ribot, P. Blake tries; Sigsworth 4, Eadie goals, Blake field goal) d ST GEORGE 24 (Rogers 2, Buckley, Gearin tries; Gearin 4 goals). Crowd 17,153.

Scrums: Saints 12-4. Penalties: Manly 13-5.

NORTHS (June 4)

A final 10-minute onslaught failed to give Saints a victory in a tight match against Norths.

Saints pressed the line continuously, but the big Bears held on desperately.

Promising St George moves broke down time and time again.

The red and whites were slipping down the ladder.

NORTHS 8 (Graham try; Kelly 2 goals) d SAINTS 4 (Jarvis try). Crowd 6427.

Scrums: Norths 7-6. Penalties: 12-all.

SOUTHS (June 13)

This will go down as the match that got away.

After leading 20-8 after 26 minutes, Saints dropped their bundle and the match.

It was an infamous day. One to forget.

SOUTHS 28 (Pobjie 3, Melrose tries; Melrose 5 goals, Melrose, Wright field goals) d ST GEORGE 24 (Johnston, Henjak Morris tries; Gearin 6 goals). Crowd 9142.

Scrums: Souths 6-3. Penalties: Saints 9-8.

WESTS (June 19)

Saints received two points from this match by the skin of their teeth.

It looked like there'd be a repeat of the Souths debacle.

Saints rushed to a 16-6 lead and then crumbled.

Ivan Henjak and Brian Johnston saved the day with a late winning try after all appeared lost.

ST GEORGE 25 (Gearin 2, Henjak 2, O'Connor tries; Gearin, Rogers goals, Rogers field goal) d WESTS 22 (Boland, Cogger, Harris tries; Greene 5 goals). Crowd 3559.

Scrums: Saints 8-3. Penalties: Saints 12-10.

CRONULLA (June 26)

Discipline returned to the camp.

Steve Rogers guided the win, but promoted players Michael Beattie, John Jansen and Denis Kinchela played key roles.

Chris Walsh was devastating and his form continued for the rest of the year.

ST GEORGE 27 (Walsh, Johnson, Morris, O'Connor tries; Rogers 5 goals, field goal) d CRONULLA 18 (Gardner 2, Beckett, Carney tries; Sorensen goal). Crowd 8014.

Scrums: Cronulla 7-6. Penalties: Saints 13-6.

ILLAWARRA (July 3)

A John Dorahy field goal gave Illawarra a one point win.

Saints collapsed in the second half and were outgunned in every department.

The bad habits had returned.

Michael Beattie and Chris Walsh again stood out.

ILLAWARRA 25 (Springall, Henniker, McKellar tries; Dorahy 6 goals, field goal) d ST GEORGE 24 (Kinchela, Morris, Walsh, Beattie tries; Rogers 4 goals). Crowd 7004.

Scrums: Illawarra 11-5. Penalties: Saints 14-7.

CANTERBURY (July 9)

Saints failed to score a try for the first time in the 1983 season.

This was a dour game and to their credit Saints defended more soundly than in previous weeks.

The semi-finals looked a forlorn hope.

CANTERBURY 9 (Anderson, C Mortimer tries; Gould field goal) d ST GEORGE 2 (Gearin goal). Crowd 6464.

Scrums: Saints 9-7. Penalties: Canterbury 13-10.

PARRAMATTA (July 16)

The Parramatta 'robots' showed their wares.

Saints played well, but nothing was going to stop this top side.

Not even John Dowling's 49 tackles and Pat Jarvis' 41.

PARRAMATTA 33 (Hunt 2, Price, Ella, Edge, Kenny tries, Hunt 3, Ella goals, Ella field goal) d ST GEORGE 4 (Gearin 2 goals). Crowd 9028.

Scrums: Saints 6-4. Penalties: Parramatta 17-14.

EASTS (July 24)

Probably the lowest point of the year for Saints and the match in which they were written off as any chance for the semis.

There were no excuses for the blackest day at Kogarah Oval for many years.

EASTS 47 (Atkins 2, McFarlane 2, Barkley, Eden tries; Eden 11 goals; Atkins field goal) d ST GEORGE 12 (O'Connor, Burgess tries; Gearin 2 goals). Crowd 6071.

Scrums: 5-all. Penalties: Easts 17-8.

BALMAIN (July 31)

The beginning of the resurgence came on this day at Leichhardt Oval.

Still written off as a semi chance, Saints played like they had nothing to lose.

Roy Masters picked a 'radical' team led by John Jansen.

They never looked back. They were magnificent for the rest of the season.

ST GEORGE 22 (Wynn, O'Connor, Fraser tries; Gearin 5 goals) d BALMAIN 6 (Wigham try; Brooks goal). Crowd 7189.

Scrums: Saints 9-8. Penalties: Saints 11-9.

PENRITH (August 7)

John Jansen and Ivan Henjak continued to lead St George's remarkable charge to the semis.

They were the instigators of many moves, with JJ the settling influence in the team.

Michael Beattie was another star.

The new-look side was on the boil.

ST GEORGE 29 (Morris, Jansen, Johnson, Fraser tries; Gearin 6 goals, O'Connor field goal.) d PENRITH 22 (McAlpine, Wolfe, Hasler tries; McAlpine 5 goals).

Scrums: Saints 9-6. Penalties: Saints 13-8.

NEWTOWN (August 14)

The Jets went out to play a niggling game, but Saints kept their cool went on to win easily.

Defence still appeared to be the problem, but the side seemed to have more resolve.

The win made up for THAT terrible first round loss at Henson.

The semis were getting closer.

ST GEORGE 36 (O'Connor 2, Morris 2, Johnson 2 tries; Gearin 6 goals) d NEWTOWN 20 (Geelan, Speechley, Wilson tries; Wilson 4 goals). Crowd 3256.

Scrums: Saints 5-4. Penalties: Saints 13-12.

CANBERRA (August 21)

Graeme Wynn back to his champion best.

Wynn tore the heart out of the Raiders in probably his best display of the season.

Michael O'Connor also received Roy Masters' accolades.

Saints were really marching in although no one would predict what would happen in coming weeks.

One of the great periods in the club's history was well underway.

ST GEORGE 28 (O'Connor 2, Beattie, Walsh tries; Gearin 6 goals) d CANBERRA 14 (Knight, Gilbert tries; Giteau 3 goals). Crowd 12,574.

Scrums: Saints 9-7. Penalties: Canberra 14-12.

PARRAMATTA (August 28)

Supporters had waited all year for a performance like the one that came on this day.

Saints destroyed Parramatta. Kogarah Oval erupted with joy.

Elsewhere, Easts had lost to Souths and Saints had forced a play-off for fifth spot.

For Parramatta it was the worst loss in three years.

How sweet it was.

ST GEORGE 32 (Morris 2, Beattie, Gearin, O'Connor, Stone tries; Gearin 4 goals) d PARRAMATTA 2 (Cronin goal). Crowd 14,857.

Scrums: Saints 7-3. Penalties: Parramatta 21-9.

EASTS (August 30)

The play-off at the SCG under lights.

The electric atmosphere was matched only by the supercharged feeling in the St George dressing room.

Saints went all the way with a massive 44-16 victory.

We had made the five under the most extraordinary circumstances.

Saints were brilliant to a man. A victory to remember.

ST GEORGE 44 (O'Connor 2, Johnson, Gearin, Beattie, Jansen, Walsh tries; Gearin 8 goals) d EASTS 16 (McPherson, Eden tries; Eden 4 goals). Crowd: 17,981.

Scrums: 3-all. Penalties: Easts 18-8.

BALMAIN (September 3)

Saints and the Tigers turned on a thriller.

All the spirit and guts of the previous six weeks paled into insignificance as both teams hammered away in a match that went into extra time.

Unbelievable tension filled the SCG as a Steve Gearin goal levelled the scores minutes from the end.

Surely one of the best football games of '83.

ST GEORGE 17 (Gearin, Jones tries; Gearin 4 goals, O'Connor field goal) d BALMAIN 14 (Martin, Lawson tries, Brooks 3 goals). Crowd 24,652.

Scrums: Balmain 13-5. Penalties: Saints 10-6.

CANTERBURY (September 10)

The fairtale run came to an end.

A tired, but still enthusiastic St George team went within a whisker of beating the Bulldogs, but in the final analysis two dropped balls cost the red and whites the match.

Despite the loss there was an air of satisfaction in the camp.

Saints had proved something.

Meanwhile, reserve and third grades were still going strong.

CANTERBURY 26 (Farrar, Johnstone, S. Mortimer, Langmack tries, Armstrong 5 goals) d ST GEORGE 24 (Wynn 2, Trudgett, Morris tries; Gearin 4 goals). Crowd 27,867.

Scrums: Saints 10-5. Penalties: Saints 9-8. ■



□ Rod Reddy's year was marred by fractures to bones in his feet. He came off the Kangaroo tour looking for a big season with Saints. In the games before his injuries he was outstanding, especially revelling in the wet conditions that dogged the early part of the premiership.

The President's Message

By St George District Rugby League
President Les Dellow



SEASON 1983 was not without a certain amount of drama.

Our first grade side, after a very good start, had a string of injuries to key players that disrupted the side greatly.

They slowly slipped out of the first five contention and only the most ardent followers kept faith in the side.

Then that great fightback and will-to-win saw first grade slowly close the gap and move towards that coveted five.

The final round with our great 32-2 win over Parramatta and Eastern Suburbs' loss to South Sydney gave us a chance.

Our hopes rested on a mid-week play-off for fifth with Easts.

What a win. At last, against most predictions, Saints finally made fifth position.

The next Saturday we had a dramatic win over Balmain, and our team was still in with a show.

But the heavy commitment was beginning to tell. The match against Canterbury saw our gallant side defeated by the odd two points.

I must compliment the side. They would not give in. I can say without fear of contradiction more than just our people of St George were proud of that effort.

The reserve grade side were more fortunate in their run to the semi-finals.

Although a little shaky throughout the competition, they finished second at the end of the competition games.

A loss to Manly and a win over Canterbury saw them in the final against South Sydney.

Two intercepts and a missed kick at goal were the difference between a win and a loss.

Congratulations to reserve grade. It was a good effort and we are proud of the performance.

Finally our third grade side, the best performed side in the whole competition.

They played percentage football throughout the season finishing minor premiers.

In the semi-final they went down 32-0 to a fired-up Penrith.

They were forced into a sudden-death final with South Sydney, but they won quite well.

Then came grand final day and third grade was determined that a repeat of the semi-final was not on.

Penrith met a different side. St George played real grand final football and were worthy winners by 9-6.

To the respective coaches Roy Masters, Mark Shulman and John Bailey a thank you for the time and effort displayed throughout the season.

On the representative scene Steve Rogers and Pat Jarvis were selected in the Test side that travelled to New Zealand.

Steve was named man-of-the-match, while Pat played in his first Test. Our congratulations to both.

To the junior league who supplied many players to the grade ranks, our appreciation for their assistance and support.

Our thanks are extended to Penfolds Wines and our many minor sponsors for their continued loyalty and support.

They are indeed a vital part of our organisation.

My thanks are conveyed to the directors of the St George League's Club for their continued spontaneous support and co-operation throughout the year.

On a very sad note it would be remiss of me if I did not mention the passing of fellow committeeman Ernest 'Tiger' Black.

He gave many years of service both as a player and committee member.

In 1965 he was made a life member of the football club.

He was a dedicated St George man, who will be sadly missed.

Our many supporters were again so loyal.

Your presence at our games is a vital part of our survival in the competition.

I think the determination shown and the experience gained by players in the 1983 season will lay the foundation for three very good teams in 1984.

To the members of the football committee my thanks for the time and effort displayed in season 1983.

To all the personnel who assisted in various capacities throughout the season, I say thank you for a job well done.

Finally I would like to wish all football club members and St George supporters a very happy Christmas and a bright and prosperous 1984.

Les Dellow, President

The Secretary's Report

By St George District Rugby League
Secretary John Fleming



ON behalf of the Football Club committee, I wish to congratulate all the players and coaches on the 1983 season.

It was the most successful since 1979.

All three grades made the semi-finals with thirds winning the premiership.

Congratulations go to their coach John Bailey, who maintained the players' interest and enthusiasm.

Third grade coaches have possibly the most difficult job of all in the attempts to succeed.

The buck stops there when there are changes in the top two grades.

John Bailey used scores of players during the year, but still managed to make them a cohesive outfit.

Mark Shulman also receives our congratulations for reaching the final.

Reserve grade was a tight competition this year and it was a credit to everyone that they reached the finals.

Mark was obviously disappointed.

It was the third year his teams had been beaten in the final.

But overall he must view the season with some degree of satisfaction.

Roy Masters' first grade performed the remarkable feat of the year.

After being written off as a semi-final chance only several weeks before the premiership ended, the side confounded everyone and snuck into the five.

We saw many fine matches in that seven-week period.

None were more satisfying than the win against Pararamatta in the last round and the great victory in extra time against Balmain in the first semi-final.

It was heart attack territory at the SCG, but it was also a day to remember for the hoards of fans who saw the match.

Roy Masters and firsts overcame great obstacles to get where they did.

It was a tribute to everyone.

At this point I would also like to thank Penfolds for their continued sponsorship support.

St George and Penfolds, a great red and white combination, will be together for many years to come.

Their support this year was very much appreciated.

We also thank our other major and minor sponsors this year.

They were part of a new sponsorship-advertising scheme which was a first for Rugby League.

It coincided with the launching of The Saint, a magazine which was a tribute to its authors Peter Christopher and Kevin McDonald.

I am certain our thousands of supporters appreciated this fine publication which kept them up-to-date with activities at the club.

It was an exciting year for St George on and off the field.

There were problems and there were worries, but we can look back with a great degree of satisfaction on 1983.

One of the saddest moments came with the death of stalwart committeeman Ernie 'Tiger' Black.

Tiger, a fascinating character, will be sadly missed.

His contribution over many years to football in the district was enormous.

He was a generous and happy-go-lucky man.

The thousand or so people who attended his funeral all agree that his death was a great loss — not just to football but to the community.

John Fleming, Secretary

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Saints' scheme leads the way

ST GEORGE, a trendsetter since its inception, went into the forefront of marketing and sponsorship in 1983 with the launching of a unique sponsorship-advertising scheme and a magazine.

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The aim was to prepare the way for the football club to become more self-sufficient.

In the past, league's clubs played the major part in financing Rugby League.

But with a downturn in the economy, preparations were made at the end of 1982 for a new era.

Despite teething problems, the scheme was a success in its first year.

The Saint magazine achieved more than satisfactory sales.

Subscriptions totalled close to 1000 and were sent as far away as the United States, Great Britain New Zealand and New Guinea.

There were subscribers in every State. NSW country people were particularly well represented.

The Saint gave St George football unprecedented coverage at every level, from firsts to under-8s.

The sponsorship concept and production of the magazine were the brainchild of two people — Kevin McDonald and Peter Christopher.

Both had sporting backgrounds with McDonald being a former sports editor of The Daily Telegraph.

With the co-operation of the football club committee, their company, The Production Editors, was solely responsible for all aspects of the magazine.

The sponsorship scheme aimed to give participating companies value for money through advertising in The Saint and the League's Club's Journal.

The club's principal and long-term sponsor, Penfolds, continued its successful association.

The company's general manager, Mr Jim Williams, takes an active interest in St George.

Penfolds signed a new agreement

with the club at the beginning of 1983, making the winemaker the longest continuous sponsor of a Rugby League team in the world.

The association began in 1977 and has been mutually beneficial.

Penfolds support has allowed the football club a stability not available to most other clubs.

The new sponsorship scheme gave Penfolds the title of principal sponsor.

Other categories of sponsor - advertiser were introduced.

It was a year of change for St George on and off the field.

It was a year that overall ended successfully. ■



□ Robert Stone had a vintage season in 1983. Stone came into his own in the latter part of the year.

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□ Big Dennis Kinchela turns on the power.

Hard luck hat-trick for Mark Shulman

THE hard luck story of 1983 belongs to reserve grade coach Mark Shulman.

For the third consecutive year, Shulman coached a team to the finals.

And for the third consecutive year that was as far as he got.

It must have been a bitter pill to swallow.

Shulman's team was involved in probably the tightest competition of any grade.

Semi-final berths were in doubt until the last few rounds.

Teams were evenly matched.

By PETER CHRISTOPHER

To their credit, reserves finished second in the premiership after winning 17 matches in the competition proper.

They drew one and lost eight.

The second string team had the distinction of having many big names in their squads during the year.

Many first grade players had a stint there.

Names like Steve Morris, Graeme O'Grady, Graeme Wynn, John Jansen, Brian Johnson, Pat Jarvis, Graham Quinn, Steve Gearin and John Dowling all did the rounds.

This gave Shulman a wealth of talent with which to work.

But he also had the stars of the future in his care.

Five-eighth-goalkicker Michael McClintock is one.

Injury set him back late in the season, but he showed great potential.

Phil Williams was rewarded for



□ *Phil Williams is bottled up by two Cronulla defenders. Williams was one of reserve grade's most consistent players.*

consistent reserve grade games by temporary promotions to firsts.

Mr Consistent was utility forward Craig Madsen.

'Maddo' had a good debut season with the club. He played 24 reserve grade games, the most by any player in 1983.

Half Steve Jones and winger Gerry O'Neill were stalwarts all season long.

Jones played a guiding role, straight out of the Shulman mould.

O'Neill, despite a disappointing game in the final, was the most consistent winger in the lower grades.

Unluckily for him he couldn't crack a game in the top grade.

Pat Fairhall, shifted from the flank to five-eighth, was outstanding.

His kicking game blossomed and he was rewarded with a spell in first grade.

Fairhall and O'Neill were second grade's top try scorers with 10 apiece.

McClintock was the top scorer with 88 from four tries and 36 goals.

Glenn Burgess at fullback did many clever things. He'll be up there one day.

They were just some of the names to stand out.

Reserves were worthy of a grand final berth.

But the fickleness of the game robbed them of the glory.

Their achievement, however, in reaching the final should not be underestimated.

They lost to Manly in the major preliminary semi, but bounced back to eliminate Canterbury in the minor semi-final.

Souths, the eventual premiers, ended the St George run.

St George looked in trouble early in the year when they lost their first two matches.

But then the fortunes changed. They recorded an impressive 10 wins from their next 12 matches.

The second round was more inconsistent.

But a four-match winning sequence at the end of the round secured them second place.

Most reserve grade teams appeared to play spoiling type games in '83.

Open, fast games were few and far between. Many matches were dour affairs, played hard in the forwards.

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Their losses were generally close. Reserves can hold their heads high in a season where firsts and thirds seemed to steal the limelight.

Firsts overshadowed them with that great run to the semis.

Third grade's annihilation of all comers captured the imagination of most supporters.

And while this was going on reserves ground away at securing their spot in the final.

Shulman should be proud of his achievements in '83.

To reach a final is a tribute to the coach and all the players.

To reach the semis in a 14-team competition is no mean feat. ■



□ Fullback Glenn Burgess was one of the finds of 1983. His brilliant attack and safe bomb-taking stamp him as a player of the future.



□ Steve Jones, one of the workhorses in reserve grade. 'Spike' had a very consistent year, being one of the mainstays of the side.

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Danny Robinson on the committee

ST GEORGE League's Club Secretary Mr Danny Robinson has been appointed to the football club committee.

He fills the vacancy created by the death of Ernie 'Tiger' Black.

Mr Robinson will be up for re-election at the next annual general meeting of the football club.

Mr Robinson has been indirectly involved with the football club since his appointment as league's club secretary.

He is on the board of St George Hospital.

"I am very pleased to have become directly associated with the football club at this stage," Mr Robinson said.



□ Danny Robinson

"I am sure I can be of assistance and look forward to the work ahead.

"Saints had a fine year in 1983 and we'll aim at an improvement on that in 1984.

"The NSW Rugby League faces more changes next year, but St George will be working to keeping up. We won't be left behind.

"The club is having a long, hard look at its player strengths and weaknesses and we'll aim to fill any gaps.

"No decisions have been made at the time of going to press, but the committee is working on all the options.

"Player movement this year already appears to be very heavy. With the Wests and Newtown situation, scores of players have come onto the market.

"It's an exciting time and I'm happy to be part of it.

"We'll aim at giving supporters plenty to cheer about in '84." Tiger Black died on August 30 after a short illness.

He had played an invaluable role on the committee and took a broad interest in the club's affairs.

Double value

THIS issue of The Saint doubles as the football club's annual report.

Football club members will receive this edition plus an insert containing the financial statement and balance sheet.

Club secretary Mr John Fleming said this was an innovation.

"This edition of The Saint is being distributed throughout NSW," he said. "It's full of statistics, profiles and pictures which I'm sure all St George fans will appreciate.

"The statistics in particular are fascinating. They have been rarely published in such detailed form.

"I'm sure it will be well-received."



□ *It's celebrations all around as Michael O'Brien is mobbed after scoring*

O'Brien's try seals grand final win

MICHAEL O'BRIEN will long remember his major role in St George's third grade grand final win in 1983.

The bearded O'Brien played well above the form he showed during the season to score the only try in Saints' 9-6 win over Penrith.

But that 40 metre intercept try wasn't the only gloss on his game.

O'Brien pulled off three try-saving tackles down his left wing in the second half.

By **KEVIN
McDONALD**

Each occasion, O'Brien had to turn and chase his Penrith opposite number.

O'Brien skilfully rounded up his man each time with brilliant ankle-low tackles and twice forced his man over the touchline.

"That try was a match-winner," coach John Bailey said after the game.

"But what about those tackles! They were sensational."

Sensational was the word of the day.

Saints went into the grand final as underdogs after being trounced 32-nil in the major semi-final by Penrith.

In the final St George got some of their act together to beat South Sydney 27-14.

All season long Saints had the third grade title at their mercy.

They had only two losses and two draws in the 26 premierships rounds.

Until the semi loss to Penrith, Saints had gone 16 games without a defeat.

□ *Captain Grahame Buckley holds the premierships trophy aloft.*



Week in, week out thirds had thumped all comers.

They played a unique brand of attacking football that produced great team tries.

Coach Bailey said the key to his success was spirit and happiness.

"We had a good side, but I knew I had to keep everybody happy, especially the guys on the bench.

"I know what sitting on the bench is like.

"Everybody had to be involved."

Bailey faced the problem and came up with the biggest game of touch football known to mankind.

It lasted all season long for almost every third grade training session.

The hours of playing touch became a joke with officials and players from other grades.



□ *The victors are off on their lap of honor.*



□ *Third grade's mascots for the grand final, John Bailey's sons, got into the celebrations after Dad's win.*

"I was chided for playing it all the time, but it was the only way to get everybody involved," Bailey said.

And everybody usually meant 20 to 25 players each week.

Third grade had some great players in 1983.

Mark Cannon blossomed at his new home at fullback.

O'Brien contributed 144 points with some good backing up and top goalkicking.

Half Richard Smith improved so much during the season. He was one of the side's best and most consistent players.

In the forwards Billy Noke, Rick Powell, Jim Walsh and Ken Creighton showed they are class players.

Noke came back after major knee surgery a little overweight, but still had big games in the final and grand final.

Powell was the strong man of the side.

His thumping tackles and powerful runs had the opposition scattering.

Powell is an old-style prop. There is nothing fancy in his play. Just sheer determination, guts and non-stop, no-nonsense football.

Powell's fellow prop in the grand final win Jim Walsh also has an immense future.

Walsh won a man-of-the-match award for the grand final.



□ Michael O'Brien, Rick Powell and Richard Smith show where St George's name will go on the third grade premiership trophy.

A second-rower all year, Walsh was moved up-front to prop for the final and grand final.

He easily made the transition.

Walsh is a showy player with good ball skills. He is adept at putting supports through gaps with slick passes.

His defence is nothing to be sneezed at.

The rest of the team was magnificent in the grand final.

Fullback Brad Wilson was faultless.

His bomb-taking, goalkicking, kicks in general play and attack were excellent.

O'Brien and new boy from the juniors Greg Duvall were safe on the wings.

Duvall showed no signs of nerves after being plucked from the junior ranks for the finals series.

Centres Bruce Miller and Chris Johns both had big games in the grand final.



□ The 1983 third grade premiers: Back row (from left) Chris Johns, Michael O'Brien, Greg Duvall, Brad Wilson, Graham Quinn, Billy Noke, John Bailey (coach), Front Bruce Miller, Michael McClintock, Ken Creighton, Grahame Buckley (captain), Rick Powell, Jim Walsh, Richard Smith.



□ What's going on? Brad Wilson looks like he's been studying ballet as he gets in a kick in the third grade grand final. Grahame Buckley looks on in amazement as the Penrth player on the left takes a dive.

Miller has been sound all year. Johns, another elevation from the juniors, has all the makings of a champion.

He is a thinker with clever hands and a nice step.

Five-eighth Michael McClintock had a good year. He played reserves for most of the season.

Injury forced him out at the end of the year and he couldn't get out of thirds.

He's was a perfect link between half Richard Smith and the speedy backs.

Enough praise cannot be heaped on Smith.

Smith just doesn't stop. He made

break after break all season. His defence was outstanding.

But his organisation was the key to third grade.

Captain and lock Grahame Buckley had an up and down year after coming back from a serious knee operation.

He played in the top grade, but ended in thirds.

His cool leadership under pressure, plus his experience were invaluable.

Graham Quinn in the second row also added stability to the youngsters.

His defence sent many a Panther away sore and sorry in the grand final.

Hooker Ken Creighton rounds off the 13. He is another player of the future.

A good ball winner, he blossomed as the season progressed.

John Bailey wanted to praise the replacements.

"Only four of them got a run in the win," he said.

"But if it wasn't for the likes of the Cullen brothers, Peter Bresnahan, Shane Redman, Glen Montgomery and experienced Bruce Starkey and Brad Buchanan I don't think we could have done it.

"It was a great win after a great season."

And who said good guys always come last? ■

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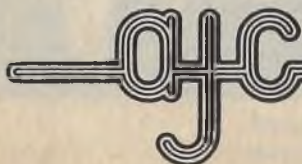
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FIRST GRADE

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Manly	22	—	4	690	361	44
Parramatta	18	—	8	639	293	36
C'bury	18	—	8	531	409	36
Balmain	17	—	9	525	438	34
St George	14	1	11	551	450	29
Easts	14	1	11	579	492	29
Norths	13	1	12	435	446	29
Souths	12	1	13	439	495	25
Cronulla	12	—	14	450	520	24
Canberra	9	—	17	495	614	18
Penrith	9	—	17	476	647	18
Illawarra	8	—	18	451	644	16
Newtown	7	2	17	373	591	16
Wests	5	2	19	394	628	12

RESERVES

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Souths	18	3	5	498	313	39
St George	17	1	8	493	300	35
Manly	16	2	8	547	343	34
Canterbury	16	2	8	437	291	34
Balmain	15	3	8	359	256	33
Easts	15	—	11	414	379	30
Parramatta	13	1	12	369	354	27
Cronulla	13	—	13	443	363	26
Penrith	12	1	13	389	447	25
Norths	11	2	13	386	435	24
Illawarra	8	3	15	382	546	19
Wests	5	3	18	352	447	13
Canberra	6	1	19	363	586	13
Newtown	6	—	20	267	639	12

THIRD GRADE

	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
St George	22	2	2	596	243	46
Cronulla	17	3	6	411	311	37
Penrith	17	1	8	380	359	35
Manly	15	4	7	402	273	34
Souths	15	—	11	437	243	30
Wests	15	—	11	397	365	30
Parramatta	14	1	11	423	335	29
Easts	14	—	12	404	388	28
Canberra	10	2	14	331	427	22
Canterbury	9	1	16	350	407	19
Norths	9	1	16	320	431	19
Illawarra	8	1	17	256	427	17
Balmain	5	1	20	250	423	11
Newtown	3	1	22	210	593	7

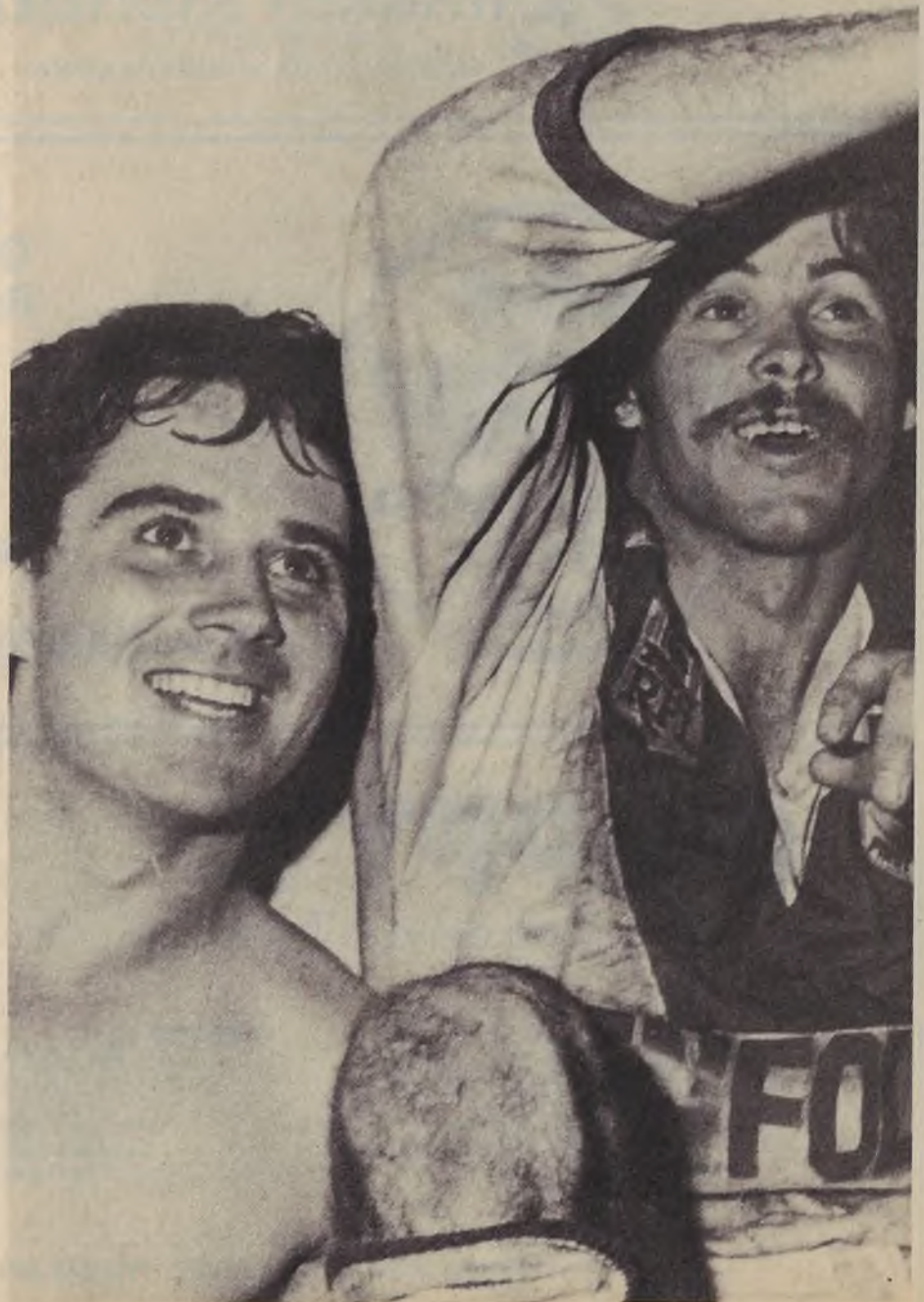
CLUB C'SHIPS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Tot
Manly	176	102	68	346
St George	116	105	92	313
Canterbury	144	102	38	284
Parramatta	144	81	58	283
Souths	100	117	60	277
Easts	116	90	56	262
Balmain	136	99	22	257
Cronulla	96	78	74	248
Norths	108	72	38	218
Penrith	72	75	70	217
Illawarra	64	57	34	155
Canberra	72	39	44	155
Wests	48	39	60	147
Newtown	64	36	14	114

THE SCORERS

	T	G	FG	Total
S. Gearin	11	93	—	230
M. O'Brien	12	56	—	160
B. Wilson	12	49	2	148
M. McClintock	7	36	—	100
S. Rogers	7	29	4	90
S. Morris	20	—	—	80
M. Cannon	13	11	—	74
M. O'Connor	16	—	2	66
P. Fairhall	15	—	1	61
G. O'Neill	15	—	—	60
G. Wynn	14	1	—	58
B. Johnson	11	—	—	44
M. Beattie	9	—	—	36
I. Henjak	9	—	—	36
B. Johnston	9	—	—	36
R. Jones	9	—	—	36
P. Williams	9	—	—	36
G. Burgess	7	—	—	28
S. Casey	6	—	—	24
D. Kinchela	6	—	—	24
S. Redman	6	—	—	24
R. Stone	6	—	—	24
B. Noke	5	1	—	22
C. Fraser	5	—	—	20
M. Horwood	5	—	—	20
G. Montgomery	5	—	—	20
C. Walsh	5	—	—	20
Peter Cullen	4	—	1	17
G. Buckley	4	—	—	16
Paul Cullen	4	—	—	16
J. Jansen	4	—	—	16
R. Smith	4	—	—	16
P. Bresnahan	—	7	—	14
B. Buchanan	3	—	—	12
K. Creighton	3	—	—	12
P. Jarvis	3	—	—	12
B. Miller	3	—	—	12
T. Ryan	3	—	—	12
S. Jones	2	—	1	9
J. Dowling	2	—	—	8
B. Starkey	2	—	—	8
T. Trudgett	2	—	—	8
P. Cleaver	1	—	—	4
C. Johns	1	—	—	4
G. O'Grady	1	—	—	4
R. Reddy	1	—	—	4
J. Walsh	1	—	—	4

□ Club topscorer for 1983 Steve Gearin (left) celebrates with top tryscorer Steve Morris. Gearin's total was just 10 points short of the club record of 240 set by George Grant in 1978. Saints' tryscoring record is 26 set by Tom Ryan in 1957.



Summary of First Grade Matches

Opponent	Venue	Result	Opponent	Venue	Result
v NORTHS	Kogarah	W 38-18	v CRONULLA	Kogarah	W 27-18
v SOUTHS	Redfern	W 22-12	v ILLAWARRA	Wollongong	L 25-24
v WESTS	Kogarah	W 18-0	v CANTERBURY	Kogarah	L 9-2
v CRONULLA	Endeavour	L 14-12	v PARRAMATTA	Belmore	L 33-4
v ILLAWARRA	Kogarah	W 26-12	v EASTS	Kogarah	L 47-12
v CANTERBURY	Belmore	L 10-6	v BALMAIN	Leichhardt	W 22-6
v MANLY	Kogarah	L 14-10	v PENRITH	Kogarah	W 29-22
v EASTS	Sports Ground	D 8-all	v NEWTOWN	Kogarah	W 36-20
v BALMAIN	Kogarah	W 45-12	v CANBERRA	Seiffert	W 28-14
v PENRITH	Penrith	W 18-16	v PARRAMATTA	Kogarah	W 32-2
v NEWTOWN	Henson	L 19-12	Play-off for fifth		
v CANBERRA	Kogarah	W 43-30	v EASTERN SUBURBS (SCG)		W 44-16
v MANLY	Brookvale	L 31-24	Minor Preliminary Semi-final		
v NORTHS	North Sydney	L 8-4	v BALMAIN (SCG)		W 17-14
v SOUTHS	Kogarah	L 28-24	Minor semi-final		
v WESTS	Lidcombe	W 25-22	v CANTERBURY (SCG)		L 26-24

First Grade Players' Records

Player	Games	T	G	FGPts	Player	Games	T	G	FGPts		
T. TRUDGETT	29	2	—	—	8	S. CASEY	9	1	—	—	4
J. DOWLING	26	1	—	—	4	C. FRASER	9	2	—	—	8
S. MORRIS	26	19	—	—	76	J. JANSEN	9	2	—	—	8
B. JOHNSON	23	9	—	—	36	G. BUCKLEY	8	1	—	—	4
S. GEARIN	21	8	80	—	192	D. KINCHELA	6	2	—	—	8
I. HENJAK	21	4	—	—	16	G. QUINN	6	—	—	—	0
P. JARVIS	20	2	—	—	8	C. MADSEN	5	—	—	—	0
M. O'CONNOR	19	14	—	2	58	G. BURGESS	4	1	—	—	4
B. JOHNSTON	17	9	—	—	36	B. BUCHANAN	2	—	—	—	0
S. ROGERS	17	7	29	4	90	P. FAIRHALL	2	—	—	—	0
G. WYNN	17	7	—	—	28	P. WILLIAMS	2	—	—	—	0
C. WALSH	16	5	—	—	20	R. JONES	1	1	—	—	4
C. YOUNG	16	—	—	—	0						
M. BEATTIE	13	4	—	—	16						
G. O'GRADY	13	—	—	—	0						
R. REDDY	10	1	—	—	4						
R. STONE	10	1	—	—	4						

REPLACEMENTS: M. Horwood (7), G. Wynn (7), C. Fraser (5), P. Jarvis (5), C. Madsen (5), M. Cannon (3), S. Gearin (3), B. Noke (3), M. O'Connor (3), G. O'Grady (3), B. Buchanan (2), J. Jansen (2), S. Morris (2), C. Walsh (2), P. Williams (2), M. Beattie (1), G. Burgess (1), S. Casey (1), J. Dowling (1), R. Jones (1), B. Johnson (1), D. Kinchela (1), G. Montgomery (1), G. Newham (1), S. Rogers (1), R. Stone (1), J. Walsh (1).

Summary of KB Cup Competition

Opponent	Venue	Result
v CRONULLA	Leichhardt	L 24-8

KB Cup Players' Records

Player	Games	T	G	FG	Pts	Player	Games	T	G	FG	Pts
G. Buckley	1	—	—	—	0	B. Johnston	1	—	—	—	0
S. Casey	1	—	—	—	0	G. Quinn	1	—	—	—	0
J. Dowling	1	—	—	—	0	S. Rogers	1	1	—	—	4
S. Gearin	1	—	2	—	4	R. Stone	1	—	—	—	0
I. Henjak	1	—	—	—	0	T. Trudgett	1	—	—	—	0
P. Jarvis	1	—	—	—	0	J. Walsh	1	—	—	—	0
B. Johnson	1	—	—	—	0						

REPLACEMENTS: B. Buchanan (1), C. Fraser (1), S. Morris (1), C. Walsh (2).

Summary of Reserve Grade Matches

OPPONENT	RESULT
v Norths	L 28-16
v Souths	L 12-6
v Wests	W 18-4
v Cronulla	L 22-6
v Illawarra	W 44-18
v Canterbury	W 18-4
v Manly	W 22-18
v Easts	W 12-4
v Balmain	L 16-12
v Penrith	W 30-6
v Newtown	W 30-18
v Canberra	W 40-12
v Manly	W 9-8
v Norths	W 8-6
v Souths	L 27-12
v Wests	W 22-8
v Cronulla	L 10-4
v Illawarra	D 8-all
v Canterbury	W 12-6
v Parramatta	W 18-6
v Easts	L 14-8
v Balmain	L 9-6
v Penrith	W 44-12
v Newtown	W 42-4
v Canberra	W 28-10
v Parramatta	W 18-10
Major Preliminary Semi-final	
v Manly	L 21-6
Minor Semi-final	
v Canterbury	W 10-4
Final	
v Souths	L 18-8



□ Steve Casey looking aggressive.

Reserve Grade Players' Records

Player	Games	T	G	FG	Pts
C. Madsen	24	—	—	—	0
P. Williams	22	5	—	—	20
S. Jones	21	1	—	1	5
G. O'Neill	21	10	—	—	40
P. Fairhall	16	10	—	—	40
D. Kinchela	16	4	—	—	16
M. Beattie	15	5	—	—	20
B. Buchanan	15	1	—	—	4
C. Fraser	15	1	—	—	4
M. McClintock	15	4	36	—	88
R. Jones	13	3	—	—	12
G. Newham	13	—	—	—	0
J. Walsh	13	—	—	—	0
G. Burgess	12	3	—	—	12
R. Stone	12	3	—	—	12
G. O'Grady	11	1	—	—	4
J. Jansen	10	1	—	—	4
M. Cannon	8	2	10	—	28
B. Miller	8	—	—	—	0
G. Wynn	8	6	1	—	26
M. Horwood	7	4	—	—	16
I. Henjak	6	3	—	—	12
B. Johnson	6	2	—	—	8
M. O'Brien	6	1	6	—	16
C. Walsh	6	—	—	—	0
B. Wilson	6	2	16	—	40
P. Jarvis	5	1	—	—	4
B. Noke	5	2	—	—	8
M. O'Connor	5	1	—	—	4
G. Buckley	4	1	—	—	4
S. Casey	4	2	—	—	8
S. Gearin	4	3	13	—	38
G. Quinn	4	—	—	—	0
B. Starkey	4	—	—	—	0
B. Johnston	3	—	—	—	0
K. Kelly	3	—	—	—	0
S. Morris	3	1	—	—	4
J. Dowling	2	1	—	—	4
G. Montgomery	2	—	—	—	0
T. Ryan	2	2	—	—	8
Peter Cullen	1	1	—	—	4

REPLACEMENTS: M. Cannon (6), J. Jansen (4), M. McClintock (3), G. O'Neill (3), P. Fairhall (2), C. Fraser (2), R. Powell (2), J. Walsh (2), G. Wynn (2), I. Henjak (1), P. Bresnahan (1), G. Buckley (1), G. Burgess (1), S. Casey (1), K. Creighton (1), Peter Cullen (1), M. Horwood (1), P. Jarvis (1), R. Jones (1), G. Montgomery (1), G. Newham (1), B. Noke (1), G. O'Grady (1), T. Ryan (1), R. Smith (1), B. Wilson (1).

Summary of Third Grade Matches



□ Peter Cullen fires out a pass.

OPPONENT	RESULT
v Norths	W 22-4
v Souths	W 24-14
v Wests	W 26-6
v Cronulla	D 12-all
v Illawarra	W 14-0
v Canterbury	W 24-4
v Manly	L 12-8
v Easts	W 12-2
v Balmain	W 20-12
v Penrith	L 12-10
v Newtown	W 23-4
v Canberra	W 26-6
v Manly	W 24-2
v Norths	W 20-10
v Souths	W 26-18
v Wests	W 19-6
v Cronulla	W 36-10
v Illawarra	W 26-0
v Canterbury	D 16-all
v Parramatta	W 20-10
v Easts	W 58-16
v Balmain	W 16-0
v Penrith	W 26-22
v Newtown	W 38-12
v Canberra	W 6-3
v Parramatta	W 32-12
Major Semi-final	
v Penrith	L 32-0
Final	
v Souths	W 27-14
Grand Final	
v Penrith	W 9-6

Third Grade Players' Records

Player	Games	T	G	FG	Pts
R. Powell	24	—	—	—	0
R. Smith	24	3	—	—	12
M. O'Brien	20	11	50	—	144
M. Cannon	19	11	1	—	46
Peter Cullen	19	3	—	1	13
B. Miller	18	3	—	—	12
R. Jones	15	5	—	—	20
B. Wilson	15	10	33	2	108
B. Noke	14	3	1	—	14
G. Montgomery	13	5	—	—	20
J. Walsh	13	1	—	—	4
M. Horwood	12	1	—	—	4
G. Buckley	11	2	—	—	8
K. Creighton	11	3	—	—	12
Paul Cullen	10	4	—	—	16
J. Jansen	10	1	—	—	4
S. Redman	10	6	—	—	24
T. Ryan	10	1	—	—	4
B. Starkey	10	2	—	—	8
B. Buchanan	8	2	—	—	8
P. Fairhall	8	5	—	1	21
M. McClintock	8	3	—	—	12
G. Newham	8	—	—	—	0
G. O'Neill	7	5	—	—	20
G. Burgess	6	3	—	—	12
S. Jones	4	1	—	—	4
P. Bresnahan	5	—	7	—	14
S. Casey	5	3	—	—	12
C. Fraser	4	2	—	—	8
C. Johns	4	1	—	—	4
P. Williams	4	4	—	—	16
R. Stone	3	2	—	—	8
G. Wynn	3	1	—	—	4
G. Cowell	2	—	—	—	4
G. Duvall	2	—	—	—	0
I. Henjak	2	2	—	—	8
D. Kinchela	2	—	—	—	0
R. Reddy	2	—	—	—	0
M. O'Connor	1	1	—	—	4
C. Walsh	1	—	—	—	0

REPLACEMENTS: P. Bresnahan (9), K. Creighton (7), G. Montgomery (6), G. Newham (6), Paul Cullen (5), M. Horwood (5), B. Starkey (5), P. Cleaver (4), G. Duvall (3), B. Perry (3), G. Quinn (3), R. Smith (3), B. Buchanan (2), G. Buckley (2), G. Burgess (2), M. Cannon (2), B. Johnston (2), M. McClintock (2), R. Powell (2), S. Redman (2), J. Walsh (2), B. Wilson (2), T. Fox (1), S. Funnell (1), D. Kinchela (1), G. Napper (1), G. O'Grady (1), G. O'Neill (1), T. Ryan (1), S. Wilson (1).



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 1939 - Balmain
 1940 - Easts
 1941 - St George
 1942 - Canterbury
 1943 - Newtown
 1944 - Balmain
 1945 - Easts
 1946 - Balmain
 1947 - Balmain
 1948 - Wests
 1949 - St George
 1950 - South Sydney
 1951 - Souths
 1952 - Wests
 1953 - Souths
 1954 - Souths
 1955 - Souths
 1956 - St George
 1957 - St George
 1958 - St George
 1959 - St George
 1960 - St George
 1961 - St George
 1962 - St George
 1963 - St George
 1964 - St George
 1965 - St George
 1966 - St George
 1967 - Souths
 1968 - Souths
 1969 - Balmain
 1970 - Souths
 1971 - Souths
 1972 - Manly
 1973 - Manly
 1974 - Easts
 1975 - Easts

RUNNERS-UP

Easts
 Balmain
 Souths
 Glebe
 Glebe
 Newtown
 Newtown
 Glebe
 Souths
 Souths
 Wests
 Easts
 Souths
 Glebe
 Easts
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 St George
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 Balmain
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 Easts
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 Canterbury
 Easts
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 Norths
 Newtown
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 Canterbury
 Balmain
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 St George
 Newtown
 Balmain
 Manly
 Souths
 St George
 Newtown
 Balmain
 Manly
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 Wests
 Wests
 Balmain
 Balmain
 Souths
 Balmain
 Canterbury
 Manly
 Souths
 Manly
 St George
 Easts
 Cronulla
 Canterbury
 St George

1976 - Manly
 1977 - St George
 1978 - Manly
 1979 - St George
 1980 - Canterbury
 1981 - Parramatta
 1982 - Parramatta
 1983 - Parramatta

Parramatta
 Parramatta
 Cronulla
 Canterbury
 Easts
 Newtown
 Manly
 Manly

RESERVE GRADE

1908 - Easts
 1909 - Easts
 1910 - Easts
 1911 - Glebe
 1912 - Glebe
 1913 - Souths
 1914 - Souths
 1915 - Balmain
 1916 - Balmain
 1917 - Souths
 1918 - Glebe
 1919 - Glebe
 1920 - Glebe
 1921 - Glebe
 1922 - Newtown
 1923 - Souths
 1924 - Souths
 1925 - Souths
 1926 - Souths
 1927 - Souths
 1928 - Balmain
 1929 - Souths
 1930 - Balmain
 1931 - Souths
 1932 - Souths
 1933 - Balmain

1934 - Souths
 1935 - Easts
 1936 - Wests
 1937 - Easts
 1938 - St George
 1939 - Canterbury
 1940 - Norths
 1941 - Balmain
 1942 - Norths
 1943 - Souths
 1944 - Balmain
 1945 - Souths
 1946 - Balmain
 1947 - Newtown
 1948 - Newtown
 1949 - Easts
 1950 - Balmain
 1951 - Newtown
 1952 - Souths
 1953 - Souths
 1954 - Manly
 1955 - Norths
 1956 - Souths
 1957 - Balmain
 1958 - Balmain

1959 - Norths
 1960 - Manly
 1961 - Wests
 1962 - St George
 1963 - St George
 1964 - St George
 1965 - Balmain
 1966 - Souths
 1967 - Balmain
 1968 - Souths
 1969 - Manly
 1970 - Newtown
 1971 - Canterbury
 1972 - Canterbury
 1973 - Manly
 1974 - Newtown
 1975 - Parramatta
 1976 - St George
 1977 - Parramatta
 1978 - Balmain
 1979 - Parramatta
 1980 - Canterbury
 1981 - Wests
 1982 - Balmain
 1983 - Souths

THIRD GRADE

1908 - Sydney
 1909 - Sth Sydney Federal
 1910 - Sydney
 1911 - Leichhardt
 1912 - Souths
 1913 - Sth Sydney Federal
 1914 - Easts
 1915 - Balmain
 1916 - Balmain
 1917 - Easts
 1918 - Souths
 1919 - Balmain
 1920 - Newtown
 1921 - Mascot
 1922 - Mascot
 1923 - Kensington
 1924 - Easts
 1925 - Souths
 1926 - Balmain
 1927 - Glebe
 1928 - Souths
 1929 - Easts
 1930 - Easts
 1931 - Easts
 1932 - Easts
 1933 - Souths
 1934 - Balmain
 1935 - Newtown
 1936 - Wests
 1937 - Norths
 1938 - Wests
 1939 - Wests
 1940 - St George

1941 - Easts
 1942 - St George
 1943 - Newtown
 1944 - Wests
 1945 - Norths
 1946 - Norths
 1947 - Easts
 1948 - Balmain
 1949 - St George
 1950 - Balmain
 1951 - St George
 1952 - Manly
 1953 - St George
 1954 - Balmain
 1955 - Balmain
 1956 - Balmain
 1957 - St George
 1958 - Wests
 1959 - Norths
 1960 - Balmain
 1961 - Wests
 1962 - Souths
 1963 - St George
 1964 - Parramatta
 1965 - St George
 1966 - St George
 1967 - Wests
 1968 - Balmain
 1969 - Souths
 1970 - Easts
 1971 - Canterbury
 1972 - St George
 1973 - Balmain*

1974 - St George*
 1975 - Cronulla*
 1976 - Easts*
 1977 - Wests*
 1978 - Penrith*
 1979 - Parramatta*
 1980 - Parramatta*
 1981 - Souths*
 1982 - Balmain
 1983 - St George
 * Under-23 Competition

AMGO CUP

1974 - Western Division
 1975 - Easts
 1976 - Balmain
 1977 - Wests
 1978 - Easts
 1979 - Cronulla

TOOTH CUP

1980 - Parramatta
 1981 - Souths

KB CUP

1982 - Manly
 1983 - Manly

PRE-SEASON CUP

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Balmain — 1941, 1943, 1944, 1947, 1950	5
Canberra —	0
Canterbury — 1938, 1939	2
Cronulla —	0
Easts — 1930, 1931, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1945, 1970, 1974, 1975	10
Illawarra —	0
Manly — 1972, 1983	2
Newtown — 1973	1
Parramatta — 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982	7
Penrith —	0
Souths — 1932, 1933, 1952, 1953, 1954, 1967, 1968, 1969	8
St George — 1940, 1942, 1946, 1949, 1951, 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1971	16
Wests — 1948, 1960, 1961	3
	54

1962 - Canterbury
1963 - St George
1964 - St George
1965 - St George
1966 - Souths
1967 - Balmain
1968 - Penrith
1969 - Souths
1970 - Canterbury
1971 - St George
1972 - Souths
1973 - Newtown
1974 - Easts
1975 - Parramatta
1976 - Balmain
1977 - Easts
1978 - Souths
1979 - Easts
1980 - Manly

RECORD OF SERVICE

The following is a list of players who have participated in 50 or more premierships competition games and also of players during the 1983 season.

Smith, W	297	Branson, A	123	Sams, G	87	McCoy, M	66	Brennan, M	55
Provan, N	283	Johnson, B	123	McRitchie, A	86	Smith, N	66	Anthony, B	55
Beath, B	236	Ryan, K	123	Strudwick, R	86	Tycehurst, P	65	Bath, K	55
Reddy, R	235	Carr, G	122	Handley, L	85	Boatswain, M	65	Manstead, A	55
Langlands, G	232	Mills, P	122	Kelly, K	85	Fairhall, P	65	Ryan, F	55
Stone, R	232	Gilbert, H Jnr	121	Tipping, N	85	Flower, J	65	Smith, A	55
Starkey, B	231	Traynor, A	120	Eden, H	84	Hill, N	65	Cullen, Peter	54
King, J	215	Toga, I	119	Morley, L	84	McKean, A	65	Lynch, J	54
Wilson, W	212	Morris, S	118	Yelavich, A	83	Slade, B	65	McRitchie, W	54
Kelly, L	205	Root, S	118	Hart, G	82	Gilmore, H	65	Ryan, T	54
Clay, B	200	Flower, H	117	Hawthorne, P	82	Morris, J	64	Sadler, A	54
Edge, S	193	Haywood, T	117	Kelly, A	82	O'Sullivan, A	63	Simmons, G	54
Raper, J	186	Dowling, J	116	Mort, E	82	Robinson, F	63	Williams, A	54
Sorridini, M	185	Franklin, S	116	Newham, G	82	McGrath, W	63	Banks, B	53
Lindwall, J	182	Glossop, E	115	Lees, M	81	Martin, Mark	62	Hinton, M	53
Brown, K	179	Brandley, D	113	Munn, J	81	Neal, K	62	McSorley, P	53
Porter, M	179	Murray, J	113	O'Brien, K	81	Bath, H	61	Taylor, G	53
Graham, B	177	Ryan, T	113	Ward, G	81	Kearney, K	61	Wittenberg, J	53
Maddison, K	177	Hale, J	111	McCormack, J	80	Gilbert, J	61	Cook, N	52
Jansen, J	176	Stathers, J Jnr	110	Pullen, G	80	Hemsworth, K	61	Dent, N	52
Shulman, M	170	Ferguson, S	108	McDonnell, N	79	O'rook, B	61	Roberts, R	52
Fleming, D	169	Butler, S	108	Breadon, R	78	Jardine, G	61	Banks, C	51
Armstrong, P	164	Wynn, G	106	Brierley, J	78	Allen, T	60	Black, P	51
Cox, R	164	Buckley, G	105	Drake, L	78	Murray, E	60	Breton, P	51
Lumsden, E	164	Pidding, N	103	Griham, A	78	O'Sullivan, K	60	Kinchela, D	51
Finch, R	159	Rice, C	103	Harmey, K	78	Pomfret, L	60	McGregor, R	51
Fairall, P	155	Toga, A	103	Hopkinson, R	78	Sharp, J	60	Struthbury, P	51
Rasmussen, C	154	Byrne, C	102	James, B	78	Walsh, J	60	Chilvers, T	50
Kearney, K	153	Kenyon, J	102	Martin, M	78	Bonn, R	59	Flood, J	50
Bramley, C	150	Saunders, F	102	Pert, B	78	Cocking, A	59	Greaves, J	50
Evans, G	150	Wood, E	102	Lindwall, R	77	Cox, A	59	Hasson, R	50
Jarvis, P	150	Hardman, W	101	McEvan, A	77	Dean, G	59	Jones, R	50
Justice, A	150	Killiby, W	101	O'Bryan, D	77	Gibson, P	59	Lapham, S	50
Bowen, G	148	McAndrew, A	101	Campbell, O	75	Healey, R	59	Norwood, B	50
Rasmussen, E	146	Walsh, I	101	Facer, F	75	Hulbert, B	59	Passfield, B	50
Chapman, J	145	Woods, A	101	Jones, S	75	Morris, I	59	Provan, I	50
Preston, D	145	Bird, J	99	Walton, E	75	McIntyre, J	59	Ruthven, D	50
Gasnier, R	143	Riley, J	98	Bowen, G	74	Powell, R	59	Fitzpatrick, B	50
Maddison, Ken	143	Ross, D	98	Johnston, B	74	Barge, R	58	Noke, W	43
Trudgett, T	143	Berlyn, S	97	Fitzgerald, J	73	Kember, H	58	Casey, S	42
Grant, G	142	McRitchie, D	97	Henjak, I	73	Rutherford, J	58	Smith, R	42
Quinn, G	142	Shadlow, N	97	Norton, B	73	Wilson, K	58	Burgess, G	39
Hole, K	140	Cox, B	96	Polychrome, L	72	Yeomans, W	58	Walsh, C	33
Bugden, R	139	Gardiner, F Jnr	95	Souter, E	71	Brenton, A	57	Madsen, C	29
Goodwin, E	138	McKenzie, K	95	Fraser, C	70	Brown, D	57	Miller, B	26
Carroll, P	137	Glenn, K	93	Pratt, R	70	Chambers, D	57	Gearin, S	25
Melville, H	137	Huddart, R	93	Evans, L	69	Dickenson, P	57	O'Connor, M	25
Buchanan, B	136	Provan, P	93	Fanning, T	69	Guest, L	57	O'Grady, G	25
Gorton, S	135	Carstairs, G	92	Fielder, R	69	Hawke, L	57	McClintock, M	23
Weekes, G	135	Clapham, R	92	Smith, R	69	Hutchinson, M	57	Horwood, M	19
Bailey, J	133	Gardiner, F	92	Walker, D	69	McHugh, E	57	Rogers, S	17
Birks, R	133	Tye, C	92	Foord, G	69	Montgomery, G	57	Bresnahan, P	16
Fitzgerald, P	133	Beattie, M	90	Gourley, R	67	Morley, L	57	Montgomery, G	15
Young, C	133	Hancock, A	90	Harris, A	67	O'Neill, G	57	Creighton, K	14
Kite, R	130	Henderson, W	90	Hurworth, S	67	Pinfold, M	57	Cullen, Paul	10
Williams, P	128	Turner, G	90	Lapham, E	67	Sands, T	57	Redman, S	10
Bell, J	127	McConage, N	89	McNamara, W	67	Sutherland, C	57	Johns, C	4
Killiby, T	127	Shuman, R	89	Quirk, A	67	Cannon, M	56	Fox, A	3
McDonald, K	126	Wilson, B	89	Fitzpatrick, G	66	Henderson, B	56	Cowell, G	2
Summerell, W	126	Graham, P	87	Fleming, N	66	O'Brien, M	56	Duvall, G	2
Pollard, B	125	Miller, G	87	French, J	66	Pierce, B	56		
Jones, N	124	Ninnes, M	87	Maguire, J	66	Adams, S	55		

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*GILBERT, H.	1938
*HALL, W. J.	1938
*McGRAW, J. W.	1938
*YAGER, A. W.	1938
*BURT, J. H.	1939
*MOYMOW, A. V.	1941
*KILLIBY, T.	1942
*BROWN, R.	1944
*HARDING, W.	1944
*JUSTICE, A. J.	1944
*MOSGRIDGE, J. R.	1947
*ROSS, D.	1948
*CLARKSON, A.	1949
*SADLIER, W.	1951
*FAHY, C. W.	1952
*KELLY, L. T.	1953
*WALES, B.P.	1954
TIPPING, N.	1955
*O'CONNOR, R.	1957
*McGRATH, J. F.	1958
*PROOPS, J.	1960
*SUMMERELL, W.	1961
MACKIE, A. I. MBE	1962
MAHER, H. C.	1963
PROVAN, N	1963
*BROWN, A. G.	1964
*FACER, F. H.	1964
PRICE, G.	1965
*BLACK, E. H. OBE	1965
DELLOW, L. C.	1966
*FLOOD, R. S.	1966
CLAY, B.	1967
ELLWOOD, J	1968
LUMSDEN, E.	1969
RAPER, J MBE	1971
GARDNER, F. H.	1972
LANGLANDS, G. MBE	1973
SMITH, W.	1973
PALMER, I	1974
BEATH, B.	1976
FLEMING, J.	1980
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SUMMERELL, W.	1982
RYDER, D.	1982
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


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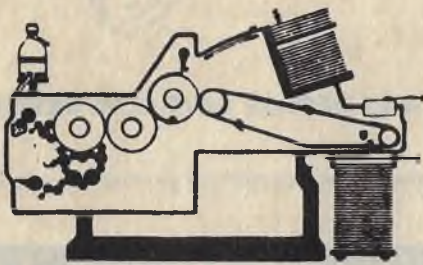
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What a great season it was

THE 1983 junior league season has been one of the finest on record.

Seventeen clubs did battle in 1983, with all age groups keenly contested.

On the representative scene the Presidents Cup, Jersey Flegg, S. G. Ball and Matthew Cup sides did the district proud.

The President Cup side finished eighth with five points, from two wins and a draw.

Had the side received more good luck in the first two matches they may have made the rep semis.

The match against Easts was probably the most memorable clash of the Presidents Cup encounters.

Trailing 12-nil with 15 minutes remaining Saints clapped on 14 points in the final stages to snatch a 14-all draw.

The Jersey Flegg side finished fifth on six points with wins over Easts, Penrith and Manly.

Like the Presidents Cup side, they lost the first game to Illawarra and were beaten 8-7 by Balmain in a thriller at Leichhardt Oval in round four.

The S. G. Ball side were most unlucky not to make the semis because they won four games, against Illawarra, Manly, Easts and Penrith, but went down to Balmain 12-6.

Saints and Canberra were fourth with eight points, but Canberra flogged Easts in the last round, and on percentages got to the semis.

Because of an easier draw the Raiders got the nod over Saints. I believe the system must be altered next year.



□ *Geoff Selby on the boil for James Cook.*

On the club scene, Enmore in A grade showed themselves worthy champions.

Renown United were one of the few clubs without sponsors and to their credit had a fruitful season with wins in the under-12s, under-19s and grand finalists in the under-23s and under-8s.

They also for the first time collected

the club championship.

Brighton Seagulls, Scots, Colts, Renown and Penshurst RSL established themselves as the strong clubs

Other clubs which also competed in the junior league this year were Peakhurst Juniors, Narwee Colts, St George Rowing Club, Allawah, Hurstville United, Beverly Hills Bombers and St Josephs Riverwood. ■

THE 1983 PREMIERS

Under-7: Premiers — Arncliffe Scots. Runners-up — Renown United.

Under-8: Premiers — Arncliffe Scots. Runners-up — Penshurst RSL.

Under-9: Premiers — Arncliffe Scots. Runners-up — Kingsgrove Colts.

Under-10: Premiers — Kingsgrove Colts. Runners-up — Arncliffe Scots.

Under-11: Premiers — Illawarra Catholic Club. Runners-up — Brighton Seagulls.

Under-12: Premiers — Renown United. Runners-up — Arncliffe Scots (Gold).

Under-13: Premiers — Kingsgrove Colts. Runners-up — Brighton Seagulls.

Under-14: Premiers — Brighton Seagulls. Runners-up — Illawarra Catholic Club.

Under-15: Premiers — Illawarra Catholic Club. Runners-up — Arncliffe Scots.

Under-16: Premiers — Brighton Seagulls. Runners-up — Peakhurst Hawks.

Under-17: Premiers — Brighton Seagulls. Runners-up — Kingsgrove Colts

Under-19: Premiers — Renown United. Runners-up — Penshurst RSL.

Under-23: Premiers — Penshurst RSL. Runners-up — Renown United.

A Grade: Premiers — Enmore United. Runners-up — Arncliffe Scots.

TEAM OF THE YEAR

KEVIN DUCKETT

(Penshurst RSL under-19s)

TONY CONCH

(Penshurst RSL B grade)

ALEX GRAY

(Renown under-12s)

CNRIS PERRIN

(Peakhurst Hawks under-16s)

CHRIS JOHNS

(Penshurst RSL C grade)

NEIL TOOHEY

(Penshurst RSL B grade)

GRANT SWIFT

(James Cook)

STEVE FUNNELL

(Renown under-19s)

GEOFF SELBY

(James Cook)

MAILE HAUMONO

(Enmore A grade)

JAMES BROOKS

(Brighton Seagulls under-17s)

CRAIG FRASER

(Brighton Seagulls under-17s)

DAVID HAGGARTY

(Peakhurst Hawks under-16s)

What a difficult job!

WHAT a job it was, picking a composite team of the year from all the junior talent available in the junior ranks.

There are only 13 spots up for grabs, but there are more than 50 or 60 players who could fill the bill adequately.

For fullback I go for Penshurst RSL under-19 ace Kevin Duckett.

Duckett has had a great season, winning the best and fairest award for the Jersey Flegg.

He has pace, takes the high ball well and is a resolute defender.

In his five representative games for the Jersey Flegg he never failed once to impress, grabbing several tries and displaying his flair.

The two wingers I would choose would be Penshurst RSL B grader Tony Conch and S. G. Ball flanker Chris Perrin, who plays in Peakhurst Hawks' under-16s.

Conch was devastating in the grand final against Renown, scoring a deter-

By **PAUL HAIGH**

mined try and crashing the defenders to the turf with his no-nonsense style of play.

Perrin was a late addition to the S. G. Ball team, but played solidly.

He is safe and reliable, and coach Doug Wilson speaks highly of him.

The centres are also difficult, but Renown under-12 centre Alex Gray couldn't be omitted.

Gray scored 536 points this year.

He has uncanny anticipation and all the necessary skills to be a top centre.

Penshurst under-19s Chris Johns is the other centre.

He excelled with the Presidents Cup side and played grade this year.

He was a member of the victorious third grade side at Saints and oozes class.

Penshurst RSL B grade pivot Neil Toohey is my five-eighth.

Toohey, formerly of Newcastle, was an important cog in the wheel in the winning B grade team this year.

The half is James Cook's Grant Swift. He is clever, very much a Billy Smith type.

The lock is Steve Funnell one of the most impressive players I've seen this year.

He was on the bench for the third grade grand final and is freely tipped for grade in 1984.

In the second row James Cook's Geoff Selby and James Brooks, of Brighton Seagulls, comprise a formidable pairing.

Selby is blessed with rare qualities and Brooks, at 16, is dynamite.

Enmore A grade's Maile Haumono and Brighton Seagulls under-17s' Craig Fraser are the props.

The hooker is Peakhurst Hawks under-16s rake David Haggarty, who was the S. G. Ball hooker. ■



□ Celebration in the Enmore dressing room after winning the A grade premiership.

Enmore's great debut year

There have been many outstanding teams in the junior league this year.

Four stand out — Enmore's champion A grade outfit, Brighton Seagulls under-17s, Renown under-19s and Renown under-12s.

But for my liking Enmore are the top side for 1983.

In their first year in the St George Junior League Enmore were minor premiers and then premiers.

In 17 matches they had only one loss — to Renown right at the start of the competition.

This side have everything — speed, superb teamwork, understanding and commitment.

The team of Tongans beat the long-standing A grade giants Kingsgrove Colts twice.

In fact Colts didn't get across the Enmore line in two matches.

In the grand final they beat a determined Arncliffe Scots 14-12.

It was in this match that I noticed the sheer grit and determination of the Enmore side to win the title.

Enmore played the game tough, hard and fair.

In the grand final Scots produced a driving defence that thwarted the usual free-flowing style of Enmore.

Enmore's forwards had to stand up and be counted and they did.

They defended grimly, grafted and held on to prevent an upset.

Congratulations to the champion team of Tongans to win so well what has traditionally been a tough competition.

James Cook kings of the kids

JAMES COOK High School will always remember 1983.

The open age side won the Commonwealth Bank University Shield for the second year in a row.

The Buckley Shield team reached the final, but lost.

The open age side have great natural ability, determination and commitment.

They were eliminated from the Commonwealth Bank Cup in the quarter final by St Gregory's Campbelltown.

In the University Shield final they swamped Dubbo South 38-12, showing all their skills and class.

Coach Brian Smith, who is off to Illawarra in 1984, deserves a lot of credit for their achievements this season.

Smith is a fine coach, dedicated to the game of Rugby League and concerned for the welfare of his players.

The respect the team members have for him is immense.

James Cook also won the weekly competition played against schools in their zone and took out the St George schools knockout.

From that competition they went on to beat Fairfield Patrician Brothers in the final 6-nil, in the mud, at the SCG in the NSW schools knockout.

Players like Jeff Hardy, Geoff Selby, Zoran Zunic, Brett Cochrane, David Niu, Ron La Coste and Craig Morris had top seasons.

The Buckley Shield side also had a big year.

Under coach Tony Farr they also won their age group NSW schools knockout.

Brad McKay, Jamie Higgs, Alain Noisier and Randall Airey have promising futures in the sport. ■

THE CLUBS

Arncliffe Scots

ARNCLIFFE SCOTS fielded 16 teams in the junior league competition this year, winning three premierships.

Scots showed their depth by fielding two sides in the under-9 and under-12 competitions.

They had 280 players on the books.

Their A grade side emerged as the dark horses of the competition fighting their way into the grand final from the elimination semi-final.

They beat Colts in the final to end their reign as A grade kings and stretched Enmore 14-12 in the grand final.

Twelve teams at Scots made the semis, seven the grand final and three came away with premierships.

The under-7s, under-8s and under-9s were premiers.

The under-10s, under-12s Gold, under-15s and A grade finished runners-up.

Again Scots clinched the junior clubs championship, finishing with 231 points, 96 points clear of their nearest rivals Kingsgrove Colts.

The club also finished second in the senior club championship to Renown.

Beverly Hills Eagles

BEVERLY HILLS Eagles fielded only one team this year, the under-9s.

They finished third, but are confident they can go two better next year and take the title.

The Eagles were beaten 16-8 in the final by the eventual premiers Arncliffe Scots.

However, in their second year in the St George junior league, they can look back on 1983 as a year of achievement and progress.

The Eagles won the annual knock-out competition at Evatt Park staged by Peakhurst Hawks

It was this performance that warned Kingsgrove Colts and Scots that the Eagles weren't in the competition just to make up the numbers.

Most of the team attends Regina Coeli school in Beverly Hills where the boys play school football.

The Eagles were beaten only three times during the season and finished third on the table on 18 points.

Brighton Seagulls

BRIGHTON SEAGULLS maintained their unique record of winning a competition each season.

In fact they won three in 1983.



□ Seagulls' 1983 captains. BACK ROW (from left): Steve Hurworth (A grade), Jeff Hardy (under-17s), Dominic Jarvis (under-16s), John Hedley (under-15 B). FRONT ROW: Martin Evans (under-14s), Ashley Williams (under-13s), Clayton Blackman (under-12s), John Gray (under-11s), Grant Hartley (under-10s), Nathan MacDonald (under-8s) and Will Gray (under-7s).

The Seagulls, one of the younger clubs in the junior league, were formed in 1966.

These three premierships take Seagulls' total to 24 in 18 years in the St George junior league.

The Seagulls fielded 12 teams in 1983 with eight qualifying for the semi-finals, three emerging as premiers, three as runners-up.

The Seagulls had a super year in 1983.

Their under-14s, under-16s and under-17s were the undisputed champions, while the under-11s, unbeaten in all matches this year, faltered on grand final day, to finish runners-up.

The under-13s and under-15Bs were also runners-up.

The Seagulls under-16 and under-17 sides are two of the finest outfits running around in the junior league.

Both finished second on the table and toppled the minor premiers to win their competitions.

In the under-16s Seagulls beat Hawks 8-6 in a cliffhanger, while the 17s accounted for Colts 15-10, with boom utility player Jeff Hardy outstanding.

The under-14s crushed ICC 22-6 in their grand final, with Troy Thompson and Brad Mackay showing their class.

Seagulls are in a healthy position for the years to come.

Seagulls such as James Brooks,

Trevor House, Jeff Hardy, Philip Huntington, Craig Fraser and many others will make their mark in the sport in the future.

Sponsorship has also played an important part in the Seagulls machine this year.

The Tai Yuen restaurant, AlSCO Linen, Landers Fitness Centre, Auction Centre, Grays Diving, Stay Dry, Boswell Printing and P. J. A Cleaning Services have all supported the club.

The club also retained the Des Negri Trophy challenge matches against Singleton 7-5.

It was a big year for the Seagulls and I'm sure they will be up the top again next season.

Enmore

ENMORE, the A grade champions in 1983, deserve every accolade.

In their first year in the St George district they not only collected the A grade title, but also many admiring supporters.

They brought a new dimension to the A grade competition, with a fast open style of game which delighted their many supporters and others.

Enmore lost only one match in the 15-week competition.

Several of the Tongans caught my eye.

Lock and second-rower Sione Fifita

to me was the most damaging player in A grade this season.

He has pace, strength and footwork that would leave many backs stranded.

Hooker or prop Eric Hema was a most valuable forward in the Enmore machine.

He often did much of the unglamorous work close to the ruck, tackling and grafting.

But this type of forward is the one that helps create the breaks for the backs to capitalise on.

Enmore's secret is team football.

They are well-drilled in all the facets of the game, backing up, passing and tight defence.

The theory that a champion team will always beat a team of champions was never more applicable.

Many sides had trouble counteracting their superb teamwork.

But they also had the classy individuals to get them out of bother if required.

They had the complete football team.

ICC

ILLAWARRA CATHOLIC CLUB, formed in 1968, came away with premierships in the under-11s and 15s in 1983.

The under-14s were grand finalists but were outclassed by Brighton Seagulls.

Of the six teams which contested competitions, five made the semis, with the under-12s just missing out in fifth spot.

Illawarra have always fielded competitive teams and this season was no exception.

All gave the opposition runs for their money. The under-11s caused a boilover on grand final day when they defeated the unbeaten Brighton Seagulls 6-0 in a gritty display.

The under-15s accounted for Arncliffe Scots 8-4 in another tight grand final.

Despite being beaten in the under-14s, Anthony Totten emerged as a player with loads of potential.

Totten raked up more than 150 points this year with accurate goal-kicking and classy tries.

The tall centre represented St George in the Matthews Cup.

ICC are hoping for another productive year in 1984.

Kyeemagh

KYEEMAGH, formed in 1976 as a breakaway club from Brighton Hotel, have still to crack their first premiership win.

The club fielded A, B and C grades this year with A and C grades reaching the semi-finals.

A grade, an experienced side, finished fourth, beaten by Scots.

In C grade, Kyeemagh went down in the final to runners-up Peshurst RSL.

Despite not winning a senior grade competition, the club made the more fancied sides fight every inch of the way.

B grade narrowly missed a semi final berth.

But generally 1983 has been a year with which Kyeemagh could be satisfied

In their eight year history Kyeemagh have qualified for grand finals three times.

Within the Kyeemagh club there is a special breed of clubman necessary for junior clubs to survive.

Bruce Wright, Ross Hooper and Peter Wharton played 200 A grade matches.

Tony Arrow and Chris Wilson passed the 100 games mark in A grade.

A good crop of youngsters in the B and C grades will carry on a strong Kyeemagh tradition.

A prop to watch is Jersey Flegg rep, Abbas Cahine, who is a fine ball distributor.

C grade did inflict a defeat on the premiers Renown United 16-12 early in the season.

However injuries to key players robbed them of any chance of a stronger challenge.

Peakhurst Hawks

FOR only the second time in their 16-year history Peakhurst Hawks failed to win a competition in 1983.

The club fielded eight teams this season, with four finishing semi-finalists.

The under-16s were beaten 8-6 in the grand final by Brighton Seagulls.

Despite not winning a competition, the traditional Hawks spirit and dedication was again evident throughout the club.

The Hawks first entered the junior league in 1968 and have been most competitive in that time.

The under-7s were minor premiers, but were narrowly beaten in the final by Renown.

The team, comprised mainly of five and six-year-olds, can only benefit from their experiences in 1984.

That side contains the youngest player in the junior league, Anthony White, who is just five.

The under-16s and under-19s have players with plenty of promise.

The under-16s included S. G. Ball players hooker David Haggarty and centre David McTaggart.

Haggarty is a fine ball winner, strong in the open and has a clever distribution game, while McTaggart is a fine goalkicker.

Hawks again in 1983 were sponsored by Glendale Chemicals who were a tower of strength to the club.

And Hawks put on the big annual knockout day for the junior age teams at Evatt Park financing the project themselves.

Peshurst RSL

PESHURST RSL kept up their impressive record in the junior league with another formidable season.

Since 1966, the club has won 63 competitions. They formed in 1961.

Many fine grade players including present St George players Col Fraser, Glenn Burgess and Michael O'Brien, to name a few, have come from RSL's ranks.

The green and golds had 10 teams in the junior league this year.

Three reached the grand finals, one the final, and three were beaten in elimination semi-finals.

The under 23s, firm favorites all year, didn't let supporters down with a 28-6 win in the grand final against Renown.

C grade were beaten 22-12 by Renown in the grand final.

Of the 20-man squad in the Presidents Cup this year 12 were Peshurst RSL players.

Players like Peter Cleaver, Tony Fox and Greg Napper all had appearances with St George third grade.

The highlight of the year was the annual Alan Staunton/Kevin O'Brien Trophy played against Wagga Patheroos.

Peshurst has had a mortgage on the trophy in recent years.

Another first for RSL in '83 was the first girl try scorer.

Sue Curtis crossed the line for the Peshurst Green under-8 team which finished second.

Joanne Copland, a friend of Sue's, plays for the other Peshurst under-8 team — the Golds.

Other players to represent in the junior sides were Jersey Flegg fullback Kevin Duckett, named the player of the year, and second rower or prop Mark Trott.

In the Matthew Cup side, seven players from Peshurst represented with distinction. They also had a successful tour to New Zealand in September.

As well as a bundle of premierships, the club has picked up the senior and

junior club championships 11 times.

The green and golds have done it all, won competitions, club championships, and had many of its players graded.

The club also had many sponsors.

The RSL club has also given support.

The proud green and golds will be there again in 1984, hoping to add more premierships to the already well-stocked history sheets.

Colts

KINGSGROVE COLTS, built on pride and tradition, have had another successful year.

Colts had nine teams in the competitions.

Two won premierships, two were runners-up, and three were finalists.

The under-11s and 14s were the only two Colts teams to finish out of a semi final spot.

Both were fifth.

The under-10s and 13s carried the Colts colors high on grand final day with superb wins.

The under-10s beat Scots in a thriller in the dying stages 8-4.

But amid the elation of victory, there was sadness as the under-10s had lost their coach Bill Bradshaw during the season.

He suffered a heart attack at one of their games and died.

His son William took over as coach.

The under-13s crushed Brighton Seagulls 28-6 in the premiership decider.

They had been the most consistent side all year and were minor premiers.

In the under-9s, Scots proved too good on the day with a 12-nil win in the grand final.

Brighton Seagulls beat the minor premiers Colts in the under-17s 15-10 in the big one.

REPRESENTATIVE team coaches, managers, selectors and committees for 1984:

H. Matthews Cup: Coach Colin Tricker; manager Bob Moon; selectors Laurie Fernley, Mick Fernley.

S. G. Ball: Coach Brian Fitzpatrick; manager Jim Farrington; selectors Kevin Nieass, Kevin Hadfield.

H. Jersey Flegg: Coach Doug Wilson; manager Don Wallace; selectors Col Smithers, Ron Tanti.

President's Cup: Coach Kevin O'Sullivan; manager Jack Aaron; selectors Kevin Brown, Chris Wallace.

Representative Committee: Doug Ryder (district club), John McGlaughlin John Russell, Gordon Lowrie, Merv Lynch, Bill Spaul, Max Simmons.

Thank you

On behalf of the St George District Junior Rugby League I wish to commend Mr John Fleming, the Editor of The Saint newspaper, together with Kevin McDonald, Peter Christopher, Paul Haigh and photographer Anthony Marris for the outstanding publication of the 1983 Saint newspaper.

It was through this newspaper that St George Junior League has had a successful 1983 season on publicity and in Junior League in general.

Thanks to all junior clubs that have contributed to this newspaper for stories on different aspects of the game through the season, also it was the selling of The Saint at home games by

In 1983, the era of Colts A grade came to an end.

Since 1977 Colts strung together five premierships in seven years, but bowed out with losses to Enmore in the major semi, and Scots in the final.

Untimely injuries prevented the former A grade champs from defending their title.

But their domination of the A grade competition for so long will always be remembered, and probably won't be repeated for some time.

The Colts thank their many sponsors.

Renown

RENOWN, the sleeping giants of the junior league, can look back on 1983 a season of tremendous progress.

Renown, one of the few clubs in the junior league that aren't sponsored, have relied on a hard-working ladies auxiliary and officials who have put the club's welfare first.

Renown fielded 12 sides this season, with seven semi-finalists, two premiers and two runners-up.

Their under-12 side were the only unbeaten team in the junior league this year.

The under-19s, who were minor premiers, swamped Penhurst RSL 22-12 in the grand final, after trailing 12-2 at halftime.

For the first time in the club's history, they clinched the senior club championship.

A grade, who just missed the semis, runners-up under-23s, and premiers under-19s contributed greatly to the success.

The other runners-up were the under-7s, who showed a dramatic improvement in the final weeks of the competition to clinch a spot in the grand final against the eventual winners Scots.

our Harold Matthews Cup squad that made their 1983 New Zealand tour so successful.

Furthermore I would like to congratulate the district club on their successes in 1983 and especially to the success of John Bailey's third grade team that won the grand final and congratulations to the juniors who were called up from club level from time to time to help out.

I feel sure most who were called up to grade will be graded next season.

Congratulations Saint for an outstanding achievement on publicity for 1983.

MAX SIMMONS

Publicity Officer

St George Dist Junior Rugby League

Early indications are that in 1984, the club will have 14 teams contesting in the junior league.

As far as football talent is concerned Renown have no troubles.

Under-19 and Jersey Flegg lock Steve Funnell has stamped himself as a player of high rating.

Also another Jersey Flegg representative who was part of the under-19 premiership-winning team was Mark Hallett.

The clever half caught my eye in the Jersey Flegg matches, and has been a fine acquisition to the club in his first year.

Alex Gray in the under-12s and his team-mate John Filippis had super seasons.

I believe that Filippis will be heard about in the junior representative circles in the years to come.

His defence and astuteness with the ball are his strong points.

The under-12s scored 734 points and conceded just 42.

Their coach Col Tricker, who has been appointed as Matthews Cup coach next year, must receive the accolades for drilling his players so well. ■

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