

## 2018 Season Review

Club. It is about creating an atmosphere as a club where people want to play and improve performance to share in success. To achieve that culture the people have to be prepared to embrace the culture values and strive to create the atmosphere to enjoy success. The atmosphere of a “family” culture has been successful over many years and adopted by NRL clubs Canterbury, St George, Brisbane Broncos and the Storm.

The West ladies League Tag team this year became a “family” and a very close family which encouraged them to strive and enjoy success by winning their premiership. The West Rosellas in past seasons enjoyed success on many occasions when a “family” culture was the norm with players, officials and supporters becoming good mates, with a work ethic that rubbed off on everyone, to become a big “family”. The Club intends to pursue this cultural direction for the 2019 season. The initiative of Coach Matt Lantry to develop and introduce the “Immerging Rosellas” program for our junior players in 2019 is a step in the right direction to facilitate the cultural change.

The performance of the U19 team in reaching the grand final after being minor premiers was a true indication that our junior development programs are working with talented players being identified. The season also provided opportunities for players from this team to play in the senior teams on a regular basis. A number of them acquitted themselves remarkably in the first grade side much to the delight of Coach Matt Lantry.

The move by the Newcastle administration to leave the Country Rugby League and affiliate with the NSW Rugby League was made with a view to improving the overall development and future direction of rugby league in the region. Early indications suggest that the move will prove to be successful and provide better pathways for players and officials in the region.

Once again our West Schoolboy Club has performed admirably with an administration led by a dedicated executive team. Congratulations to Sue Moodie and Sonia Booth who won “Women in League” awards during the season. The awards recognise the many hours they both contribute to the operational success of the Schoolboy Club.

Congratulations to our new Life Members Nick Mahon and Sam Jobbins who both thoroughly deserve the award. Another well-deserved award was that of “Clubman of the Year” presented to Mark Taufua.

The Senior club gratefully acknowledges all those involved in the management and operations of all our clubs and sincerely thank you for your commitment and contributions.

We look forward to your continued support.

Wayne M Hore  
President

West's Versus:

<u>First Round</u>	<u>First Grade</u>	<u>Reserve Grade</u>	<u>Open Grade</u>	<u>Under 19's</u>	<u>League Tag</u>
Central (h)	W 20 - 6	L 16 - 34	W 38 - 12	W 26 - 8	D 8 - 8
Lakes (a)	L 6 - 20	W 24 - 6	W 18 - 4	W 20 - 12	W 36 - 6
Cessnock (h)	L 6 - 20	W 28 - 8	W 22 - 6	W 52 - 0	W 26 - 8
South (a)	L 16 - 26	L 12 - 28	L 14 - 20	W 30 - 16	L 6 - 14
Maitland (h)	W 30 - 16	L 26 - 28	W 28 - 22	W 44 - 0	W 22 - 4
Kurri (a)	W 18 - 10	W 32 - 20	L 16 - 20	W 28 - 6	W 36 - 6
Macquarie (h)	W 22 - 12	W 24 - 14	L 18 - 22	W 27 - 0	----- Kurri (a) L 12 - 20 L 14 - 18
W 24 - 6 28 - 16	W 16 - 6				

<u>Second Round</u>	<u>First Grade</u>	<u>Reserve Grade</u>	<u>Open Grade</u>	<u>Under 19's</u>	<u>League Tag</u>
Central (a)	W 13 - 12	L 22 - 28	L 16 - 36	W 22 - 14	L 6 - 16
Lakes (h)	W 28 - 22	W 42 - 22	L 8 - 10	W 32 - 12	W 8 - 0
South (h)	L 18 - 38	W 26 - 18	W 13 - 12	W 40 - 14	W 10 - 0
Cessnock (a)	L 12 - 25	W 84 - 4	W 28 - 16	W 34 - 18	W 14 - 4
South (h)	W 22 - 16	W 28 - 0	L 16 - 20	W 48 - 24	W 20 - 6
Maitland (a)	L 22 - 24	L 22 - 32	W 46 - 8	L 0 - 36	W 10 - 4
Kurri (h)	L 12 - 19	W 56 - 12	D 18 - 18	W 29 - 0	W 16 - 0
Macquarie (h)	W 26 - 0	W 36 - 18	L 18 - 26	W 54 - 6	-----

Elim Semi Final  
L 10 - 44  
(South)

Qual Semi Final  
W 10 - 8  
(South)

Minor Semi Final

Major Semi Final  
W 16 - 10 (Maitland)      W 20 - 8 (Central)

Final

Grand Final  
(McDonald Jones)      L 6 - 13 (Maitland)      W 14 - 8 (South)