

APPENDICES

to

**PLAY-BY-PLAY TALK ON RADIO: AN ENQUIRY INTO SOME RELATIONS
BETWEEN LANGUAGE AND CONTEXT**

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APPENDIX I
Transcript of the 2GB First-Half & Second-Half Commentary

Transcription Conventions

|| clause break

<< >> included clause

[[]] embedded/downranked clause

[laughs] paralinguistic features and other information are enclosed in square brackets

Strathfield Car Radios italicised text is used for the names of commercial sponsors

GB etc. Denote the initials of the speakers' names (see below)

[...?...] unintelligible utterance

Other Notes

- Hypotactic enhancing (cause: purpose) (beta) clauses are kept on the same line as the alpha clause. All other hypotactic enhancing clauses (beta) clauses are separated from their alpha clauses.
- Projected clauses are kept on the same line as the projecting clauses (this includes any type of projections).

Date of Broadcast: Sunday 14th July 1996

Name of Programme: 2GB *Samsung* Big League

Speakers

- **Mediator/Compere:** Andrew Moore (AM) pre-, post-, half-time
- **Play-by-play Commentator:** Greg Hartley (GH)
- **Colour Commentator/Expert Analyst:** Roy Masters (RM)
- **Expert Analyst for pre-game, post-game and half-time:** Gary Jack (GJ)
- **Sideline Reporter:** Tony Peters (TP)
- **Around-the-Grounds Reporters:** Geoff Dunn (GD), Steve Mascord (SM), Danny Wildler (DW), Peter Newlands (PN), Michael Ritchie (MR)

PRE-GAME TALK

GB223.DW: just repeating the scores in the lower grades

GB224.Illawarra twenty defeated the Western Reds four

GB225.and in the Under Twenty-ones Illawarra twenty-two defeated Newcastle four

GB226.AM: Campbelltown Peter Newlands

GB227.PN: Full-time Reserve Grade Wests thirty North Queensland sixteen

GB228.President's Cup Wests forty Sydney Tigers ten

GB229.AM: and at Redfern Oval Michael Ritchie

GB230.MR: yeah full-time here at er Redfern

GB231.the South Queensland Crushers running out winners twenty eight points to South Sydney twelve

GB232.repeating the President's Cup score

GB233.twenty-six all draw between Souths and the Crushers

GB234.AM: All right thanks gentlemen

GB235.we'll take a break

GB236.Gary Jack we'll catch up with you again at half-time

GB237.GJ: thanks very much

GB238.we'll see you then

GB239.AM: All right

GB240.and I'll be back too at half time

GB241.and again after the game

GB242.and we'll take your calls from four-thirty on two-six-nine-oh-double-six-nine

GB243.a break

GB244.and then back with Greg Hartley and Roy Masters' uninterrupted description of the match of the day, the match of the round, Norths and the Sydney City Roosters here at Bear Park

[Commercial break - three commercials]

i) *Strathfield Car Radios* Stock-take Clearance

ii) *Samsung* Time-saver Microwave Oven

iii) *Clancy's Food Stores*]

GB245.Voice Over: Live from North Sydney Oval this is 2GB *Samsung* Big League

[brief break in transmission turn of tape]
[Tape number 2 side B]

GB246.TP: ... three minutes
GB247.Chris Caruana is on the bench
GB248. and Josh Stuart in jersey number fourteen looks like [[he's gunna be starting the match]]
GB249.so obviously a a late change by Peter Louis in anticipation of a very very fiery start perhaps
GB250.GH: Thanks very much
GB251.scoopie's on the ball down there Roy
GB252.a change already
GB253.and they haven't even kicked the football
GB254.RM: Well there you go
GB255.er obviously Chris Caruana is a lot lighter player
GB256.he's a former centre
GB257.he's er not going to be as er <<as Tony pointed out>>
suitable [[for taking the big ha.. hard early confrontation]]
GB258.and North Sydney have won the toss
GB259.and so consequently I wouldn't wi..be surprised
GB260.if they put the ball back within a couple of se..couple of er sets of six in order to get their defence
under way

COMMENTARY

GB261.GH: Okay there's the kick..e kick-off now
GB262.off the boot of Walker downfield
GB263.picked up very quickly by Soden
GB264.gives it across to one of the big men in the North Sydney pack in David Fairleigh
GB265. and David Fairleigh heads up towards the centre of the ground twenty metres out from the Bears'
line
GB266.once again it's to Soden
GB267.he sends it across to Josh Stuart the late man off the bench into the starting team
GB268.and he's pulled down
GB269.Soden having a look for a ball carrier
GB270.off-loads now to Billy Moore
GB271.Billy Moore wrapped up very nicely by Sean Garlick and Dunn
GB272.now it's gone back to Steve Trindall another big guy in the North Sydney pack
GB273.up towards the half-way line about eight short of it still back in Bears territory
GB274.as it goes across to Gary Larson
GB275.Larson looking to get to the half-way line
GB276.manages to do that
GB277.but eventually knocked down by Fittler
GB278.it's gone to Soden once again at the back of the ruck
GB279.straight out now to Jason Taylor
GB280.Taylor gets his kick down the centre of the ground
GB281.off the legs of Cleary
GB282.picking it up now outside of his own twenty metre line some twenty-six away from his own goal-
line now
GB283.and put to ground once again by Larson
GB284.it's gone to Smith
GB285.he sends it across this time to Jorgensen
GB286.Jorgensen steps one or two
GB287.eventually pulled down over the top by Josh Stuart and Fairleigh and also Mark Soden
GB288.back to Garlick
GB289.across to Lowrie
GB290.Lowrie straightens up the attack
GB291.Trindall comes at him
GB292.forty metres away now from the Sydney City Roosters line
GB293.as Garlick once again giving the ball across to big Tony Iro for his te.. first touch this afternoon
GB294.he's gunna be given a back-slamming tackle once again by Trindall
GB295.and put to ground on the half-way line
GB296.up to quickly play it
GB297.back it goes to Garlick

GB298. good pass out to Adrian Lam
 GB299. he turns the ball straight back this time into Scottie Logan's possession
 GB300. and he's pulled down about er two or five eight metres over the half-way line
 GB301. on the last tackle in North Sydney territory
 GB302. there's the kick by Freddie Fittler
 GB303. Fittler now gets it downfield
 GB304. picked up by Mattie Seers
 GB305. he heads down towards the centre of the ground
 GB306. and he's knocked down twenty out from his own line
 GB307. RM: so far it is a game of er of er an er arm wrestle
 GB308. as we like to describe it
 GB309. a game of physical chess
 GB310. er there's no ad-lib football from er Eastern Suburbs at this stage
 GB311. it is just a straight out confrontation
 GB312. where they're using the ball in the forwards for five se.. five tackles
 GB313. and then they er then they're reaping it downfield
 GB314. its er it's sort of masculine pride
 GB315. it's macho football
 GB316. it's man against man
 GB317. it's just seeing || how who can handle the er the hits the hardest
 GB318. GH: that's exactly [[what it is]]
 GB319. there's been a few tough ones already
 GB320. as Roy's pointed out too
 GB321. but it's gone back to Jason Taylor
 GB322. he gives it out to David Fairleigh
 GB323. it bounces off the chest of Billy Moore into the possession of Dallas
 GB324. and Dallas takes off downfield
 GB325. they've got him measured this time
 GB326. one left to go to the North Sydney Bears
 GB327. as he plays it once again
 GB328. it goes to Michael Buettner
 GB329. across to Billy Moore
 GB330. on to Taylor
 GB331. Taylor has a look out wide
 GB332. elects to put the little chip in behind the Eastern Suburbs back
 GB333. and Junee beautifully going up || to take the football
 GB334. finishes back in the in-goal
 GB335. well he's put the football back over the line
 GB336. Eddie Ward had already blown his whistle
 GB337. to his credit Junee didn't realize that
 GB338. trying to get back into the field-of-play || so he can get up || and play-the-ball
 GB339. but Ward was correct
 GB340. RM: yes it was a fair decision by Ward
 GB341. he raced back to the centre of the of the er of the posts
 GB342. and er indicated || that it would be a line drop-out
 GB343. there was a very good chase game
 GB344. following that Taylor kick
 GB345. the ball didn't bounce particularly well for er Eastern Suburbs
 GB346. it went straight up in the air
 GB347. which therefore of course meant || that er Junee was not in a position at all [[to run the ball back
 over the line]]
 GB348. GH: there's the er whistle now by Eddie Ward
 GB349. you've missed none of the action here at North Sydney Oval
 GB350. Walker now a long kick down towards the half-way line
 GB351. little Mark Soden again getting underneath it
 GB352. straight back this time it goes to Gary Larson the work horse er er for the North Sydney side
 GB353. and er he eventually is gonna be put down
 GB354. they can't put him down
 GB355. Iro says || no he won't go to ground
 GB356. now it's a nice er pass or a not pass that time
 GB357. [RM a bit high too]
 GB358. Yeah it was a bit of a high shot that time
 GB359. but er the referee said || play on

GB360.that was Logan once again
 GB361.goes across this time to Billy Moore
 GB362.he tries to step one or two
 GB363.twelve metres away from Sydney City's line *'they are...'
 GB364.up || to play it to Florimo
 GB365.sends it across once again to Larson
 GB366.straightens up the attack
 GB367.Garlick and Lowrie combine || to knock him to the ground eight metres out from the Sydney City line
 GB368.Soden sends it across to Jason Taylor
 GB369.long ball to Buettner
 GB370.Buettner dummies
 GB371.had a look back inside
 GB372.now he couldn't get his pass away
 GB373.as he plays it
 GB374.Mattie Seers up
 GB375.he's passed to Taylor
 GB376.it's a shocker
 GB377.but it's picked up by Soden
 GB378.Soden elects to pass a long ball out wide
 GB379.and it does go to Florimo
 GB380.on to Dallas
 GB381.Dallas trying to get around one or two
 GB382.he's flicked over the er far touch-line
 GB383.but er the ball went back in-field
 GB384.and Cleary for Eastern Suburbs dived on the ball
 GB385.as he plays it to Walker
 GB386.and Walker will run it out
 GB387.as we go now to Tony Peters on the side-line for the *Family Car Centre*
 GB388.TP: it's going to be very interesting Greg
 GB389.but a strong southerly behind
 GB390.and a very small in-goal area
 GB391.the kicking game's gunna have to be target top
 GB392.it's gotta be spot on
 GB393.it's gunna have to be perfect because the small in-goal area and the strong southerly
 GB394.GH: Well Jason Taylor should know every inch of grass in this ground
 GB395.as we see once again [[Lowrie charging forward]]
 GB396.nice ball back to Sean Garlick
 GB397.Garlick tries to put the bust on
 GB398.but he can't do that
 GB399.as he's taken over the top by Josh Stuart
 GB400.Tony Iro at the back of the ruck
 GB401.he gives it across to Logan
 GB402.again Logan
 GB403.ooh a bit of a high shot too by David Fairleigh and Trindall
 GB404.coming over the top
 GB405.they've got one left to go
 GB406.the referee said || it was okay the tackle from his observation
 GB407.and now it's back this time to Walker
 GB408.Walker gets a kick down the centre of the field
 GB409.nicely taken by Mattie Seers
 GB410.he heads up over the forty
 GB411.he'll get to the half-way line
 GB412.in fact he got over it
 GB413.and a strong run from him centre field
 GB414.as he's knocked to the ground by Garlick
 GB415.quickly now back to Soden
 GB416.he sends it across to Nigel Roy
 GB417.Roy going for North Sydney across field about forty metres out from the Eastern Suburbs line
 GB418.up || to quickly play it
 GB419.but the penalty now going to the North Sydney Bears Roy
 GB420.and he said || get off him in the play-the-ball
 GB421.and he warned him

GB422. as he said it before the game
 GB423. RM: he certainly did
 GB424. and er I thought that er it came about the right time in the game
 GB425. he's er Taylor obviously such a magical boot
 GB426. he's going to take the attempted goal
 GB427. it's er a distance of er about er forty er forty metres
 GB428. and er he of course normally is radar accurate from this point in time
 GB429. I've noticed one change in the North Sydney team so far to this point
 GB430. and that is [[that er er Taylor is er crossing from the open side of the field to the blind side || to
 pick up some of the runners]]
 GB431. ah I wouldn't be surprised
 GB432. that as the play develops further on in the game
 GB433. that they try and exploit North Sydney .. er .. try and exploit the Sydney Roosters on the blind
 side
 GB434. GH: okay around the grounds for *Strathfield Car Radios*
 GB435. while this kick is er being taken
 GB436. Geoff Dunn
 GB437. GD: we've got a three o'clock kick-off in First-Grade
 GB438. full-time in Reserve Grade Manly thirty-two Parramatta twenty-four
 GB439. full-time in President's Cup Manly eighteen Parramatta sixteen
 GB440. GH: Steve Mascord
 GB441. SM: no score St. George and Penrith
 GB442. GH: Danny Wildler
 GB443. DW: Illawarra four the Western Reds nil
 GB444. GH: Peter Newlands
 GB445. PN: North Queensland four Wests nil
 GB446. GH: Michael Ritchie
 GB447. MR: Souths six er South er Queensland Crushers nil
 GB448. GH: okay we've got this kick lined up now forty metres out from the Eastern Suburbs goal-line
 GB449. haven't seen a forward for years put his hands up like that Roy
 GB450. but er none's got them up for Eastern Suburbs Roosters
 GB451. as Taylor now total concentration
 GB452. kicked them blindfold through the week
 GB453. and he's put this one up high
 GB454. what's it gunna do
 GB455. straight over the black dot
 GB456. he is an absolute enigma in the kicking caper
 GB457. RM: mate he's more than an enigma
 GB458. he's a computer as well
 GB459. I mean he just er he just kicks them
 GB460. they go sail through the air with er <<as I said>> radar-like accuracy
 GB461. ah he er it's [[as though he's just sort of programmed]]
 GB462. er who knows everywhere and every angle and every bit of wind velocity and every bit of
 atmospheric change
 GB463. ah er they could do well to recruit him
 GB464. and get him to play for the Dallas Cowboys I think mate
 GB465. GH: ha ha [laughs] yeah talking about atmosphere
 GB466. what about Tony Peters with his cumulous cu cu cupic or whatever it was
 GB467. RM: well he called it a cumulonimbus
 GB468. I was thinking Tony that it might have been an altostratus
 GB469. GH: back now it goes to David Fairleigh
 GB470. Fairleigh down the centre of the ground twenty metres out from his own goal-line
 GB471. and put down in strong defence from Eastern Suburbs
 GB472. now it's gone to Soden
 GB473. good pass across to Josh Stuart
 GB474. he aims we.. up well
 GB475. and again a strong tackle by Logan over the top
 GB476. giving it across now
 GB477. it goes to Steve Trindall
 GB478. he steps back inside
 GB479. beat the first line
 GB480. eventually they catch up with him
 GB481. and drag him to the ground thirty out from the North Sydney line

GB482.now it goes back this time to Larson
 GB483.the pass back inside to Florimo
 GB484.but he's cut down by Sean Garlick
 GB485.it's gone to Soden
 GB486.and he gives it once again to David Fairleigh
 GB487.beautiful hands that time
 GB488.it goes to Billy Moore
 GB489.out to Ben Ikin
 GB490.Ikin puts a little kick in downfield too
 GB491.nearly hit the referee
 GB492.but a nice pick up this time from Mattie Sing for Eastern Suburbs
 GB493.heads to the far side of the ground
 GB494.links up beautifully this time with Peter Clark
 GB495.RM: [oh what a] tackle!
 GB496.that was an absolutely superb tackle then by er [] Greg Florimo of North Sydney
 GB497.GH: [Florimo]
 GB498.RM: he just threw his body at the at him
 GB499.and drove him the er the winger Jorgensen right into the er er Jorgensen right into the dirt
 GB500.GH: yeah it was a great tackle no risk in the world about that
 GB501.one of the Claudio's big hits thus far in this game
 GB502.but now Lowrie getting up very slowly
 GB503.might've hurt his knee
 GB504.but it's gone across to Fittler
 GB505.he gives it straight out to Tony Iro
 GB506.Billy Moore's come into contact with that ball
 GB507.two knock-ons
 GB508.first one from Billy Moore
 GB509.the second one this time it went to Ben Ikin
 GB510.and the referee'll blow that up
 GB511.as we go now to Tony Peters on the sideline for the *Family Car Centre*
 GB512.TP: well Greg Sydney City's tactics are pretty clear
 GB513.they've got to try and milk the crop down right from the start
 GB514.playing into this wind
 GB515.they've got to try and slow the game down
 GB516.and try to reduce North Sydney's ne.. North Sydney's options and chances
 GB517.because this breeze is going to be very crucial in the second half
 GB518.GH: nil-all on the *Global Self Storage*
 GB519.er sorry two nil er in favour of North Sydney over Sydney City on the *Global Self Storage*
 Scoreboard
 GB520.as we see now [[North Sydney take up their defensive role]]
 GB521.and Eastern Suburbs will play it via Cleary
 GB522.straight back now to Fittler
 GB523.he tries to put the bust on
 GB524.very few people get past Gary Larson in that situation
 GB525.and in particular when Billy Moore comes in || to assist
 GB526.but it's gone once again to Garlick
 GB527.out to Dunn
 GB528.tried to slide under the tackle of Florimo very wide
 GB529.but pulled down once again thirty out now from the Bears' line
 GB530.Adrian Lam shows it out wide
 GB531.he gives it to Iro
 GB532.Iro standing out in the centres
 GB533.he flicked it back to Walker
 GB534.Walker's gone without it
 GB535.Lam's there || to pick up the dregs
 GB536.he does that now
 GB537.tries to step back inside Jason Taylor
 GB538.but Taylor's there || to nail him
 GB539.still forty out from the Bears' line
 GB540.it's back with Garlick
 GB541.he sends it across now to Ivan Cleary
 GB542.saw the gap
 GB543.oh it closed up with a punishing hit

GB544. one left to go now to the Sydney City Roosters
 GB545. and David Fairleigh put him away like an undertaker
 GB546. RM: [?]
 GB547. GH: gone straight back once again now to Walker
 GB548. who's put a high kick up
 GB549. Mattie Seers hasn't taken his eyes off the ball
 GB550. he's come through
 GB551. but it's gone back to Cleary
 GB552. then on to Iro
 GB553. he's knocked it back towards his own line
 GB554. he gets a kick in
 GB555. Nigel Roy came up [... ? ...]
 GB556. he scurries back || to get the football
 GB557. and he is nailed about two metres out from the Bears' line
 GB558. RM: well North Sydney << as Tony has said >> have got a strong wind at their back
 GB559. they won the toss
 GB560. and they chose to obviously run with the wind in the first half
 GB561. but there is a lot er there's an old coaching theory [[that says || that when two structured sides meet
 [[such as these two are]] || that you're better off taking the wind in the second half || because so much of
 the game time in the first half is spent || just sorting yourselves out || as you run through your patterns
 ||]]
 GB562. if Eastern Suburbs or the Sydney City Roosters << >> go into this break at half time ah even
 GB563. <<as they prefer to be called >>
 GB564. then I would have to say || that Peter Louis may well have er made a fundamental error || in not
 taking the wind in the second half
 GB565. GH: one tackle left to go
 GB566. it's gone back to Buettner
 GB567. Buettner puts a high ball up
 GB568. a swirling wind prevailing here
 GB569. but er Cleary very cautiously taking that football
 GB570. and Dallas right on his hammer with a good chase
 GB571. hung on him just a little bit too long
 GB572. Ward didn't like it
 GB573. the crowd hate it
 GB574. but the arm of Ward has gone up towards Eastern Suburbs
 GB575. and that was a good penalty too
 GB576. because he was interfered with
 GB577. and we'll go around the grounds for *Strathfield Car Radios* to Geoffrey Dunn
 GB578. GD: er still no start in First Grade
 GB579. full-time in Reserve Grade Manly thirty-two Parramatta twenty-four
 GB580. full-time in President's Cup Manly eighteen Parramatta sixteen
 GB581. GH: Steve Mascord
 GB582. SM: no score St. George and Penrith
 GB583. GH: Danny Wildler
 GB584. DW: Illawarra four the Western Reds nil
 GB585. GH: Peter Newlands
 GB586. PN: four-all Wests and North Queensland
 GB587. kick to come
 GB588. the kick's missed
 GB589. four-all Wests and North Queensland
 GB590. GH: Michael Ritchie
 GB591. MR: yeah just repeating the Reserve Grade score here
 GB592. Crushers twenty-eight Souths twelve
 GB593. in the First Grade ten minutes in it's the South Sydney er Rabbitohs leading six points to two
 GB594. GH: back it goes now to Garlick
 GB595. he sends it across to Iro
 GB596. in possession the Sydney City Roosters
 GB597. gone back to Peter Clark now
 GB598. now he's wrapped up beautifully too thirty-two metres out from the Bears' line
 GB599. Garlick very quickly at the dummy-half
 GB600. he gives it across to Dunn
 GB601. Dunn looked back || to off-load
 GB602. couldn't get his pass away

GB603.as once again Trindall and David Fairleigh came in along with Florimo || to put him to the ground
 GB604.now it's gone to Lam
 GB605.out to Jason Lowrie
 GB606.Lowrie off-loads once again to Scott Logan
 GB607.Logan can't get his arms free
 GB608.Billy Moore's there || to punish him in a strong tackle up to the top ball-and-all
 GB609.one left to go
 GB610.back to Garlick
 GB611.to Fittler
 GB612.Fittler puts the chip on
 GB613.a good quick sprint too
 GB614.Larson oh got in his way
 GB615.Mattie Seers has put it down
 GB616.waiting to see the result of this
 GB617.he said <Ward > || knocked-on both ways
 GB618.well gee Gary Larson could have been pinched
 GB619.for trying to interfere with Fittler Roy
 GB620.RM: I thought he he did more than shoulder him out of the way
 GB621.GH: he did
 GB622.RM: he clearly impeded him
 GB623.now we have got a scrum
 GB624.which is going to be set on the North Sydney er quarterline
 GB625.it's going to be fed by the Roosters
 GB626.it gives Eastern Suburbs a good attacking opportunity
 GB627.they've got er... centre they've got er their centres [[lined out to the left hand side of the field]]
 GB628.and er I er the ball is going to go left
 GB629.it's going to be man on man
 GB630.the ball ends up with Jorgensen
 GB631.no they went blindside
 GB632.GH: yes they did
 GB633.and the [...]went back inside
 GB634.and we've got a try to Eastern Suburbs
 GB635.Matt Sing
 GB636.he went one way
 GB637.he stepped back inside the other way
 GB638.the defence went across
 GB639.I couldn't even see || which way Nigel Roy went
 GB640.Ben Ikin came up to him
 GB641.and he just stepped back inside
 GB642.and went straight around er over the line to score a very good Eastern Suburbs try
 GB643.as we go to the er sideline for the *Family Car Centre* to Tony Peters
 GB644.TP: The old Roy Orbison song Communications Breakdown
 GB645.Ben Ikin and Nigel Roy both got caught in no man's land
 GB646.Mattie Sing sliced through the pair of them
 GB647.easy try that one
 GB648.very very simple move
 GB649.a lock forward breaking the scrum
 GB650.Fittler taking the pass
 GB651.and sending the the centre right through the slot
 GB652.that was too easy
 GB653.GH: yes it was easy
 GB654.and I said that Roy
 GB655.they got mixed up big that time Ben Ikin and Nigel Roy
 GB656.they didn't know || which way they were going
 GB657.and I know || it's difficult on the angle
 GB658.when you're looking from up here in this broadcasting box
 GB659.but gee whiz talk about a mix up
 GB660.RM: well no they clearly sucked them into thinking || that they were going to go to the open
 GB661.they had more men
 GB662.and they had er even numbers on the open side
 GB663.they were man on man out there
 GB664.it was a beautiful back line set
 GB665.but of course er Fittler when he wants the ball

GB666.he does
 GB667.it was a simple reverse at the base of the scrum
 GB668.as er the halfback Adrian Lam came around
 GB669.he gave it to to er he gave it to Brad Fittler
 GB670.and Brad Fittler broke the blind
 GB671.and he linked up very very cleverly with er Matt Sing
 GB672.who was standing centre on centre on the on the right hand side of the field
 GB673.and er created a confusion between the two North Sydney defenders Nigel Roy and Ben Ikin
 GB674.both of whom assumed || that er the one that both were going to go for Fittler
 GB675.they both went in for Fittler
 GB676.giving of course Sing an unmarked passage for the line
 GB677.GH: yes
 GB678.and there's the kick now from Ivan Cleary
 GB679.successful too
 GB680.so it's six points to er two in favour of the Sydney City Roosters over the North Sydney Bears
 GB681.and er gee whiz if they're gunna be that easy [[to try]]
 GB682.well Eastern Suburbs will run a few in here this afternoon || I'm here to tell you
 GB683.but North Sydney now back to the half-way line || to er to get this game underway
 GB684.and Mattie Sing gees what a good player
 GB685.he's come he's come of age Roy in the last season or two hasn't he
 GB686.RM: Oh well yeah I I was very impressed with him on Monday night || I thought
 GB687.look he he's got a lot stronger
 GB688.he's got a lot bigger in the shoulders
 GB689.and obviously [[playing that State of Origin game]] has given him a lot of confidence
 GB690.he now believes || that he's up there with some of the top players
 GB691.GH: Jason Lowrie now
 GB692.oooh and he's put down in no uncertain terms by Billy Moore and er Gary Larson
 GB693.but it's played back to Garlick
 GB694.sends it across this time to Paul Dunn
 GB695.he wanted to off-load
 GB696.couldn't get his pass away
 GB697.as David Fairleigh finishes him off
 GB698.once again to Garlick
 GB699.a wide ball to Iro
 GB700.played very wide at the ruck
 GB701.oooh he tried to hold it up for Walker
 GB702.but he got it across to Jorgensen
 GB703.Jorgensen with the little goose step er very much like a David Campesie that time
 GB704.but he's pulled to the ground
 GB705.he plays it to Garlick
 GB706.out to Fittler
 GB707.there's the roll on for the Sydney City Roosters
 GB708.up the centre of the ground towards the half-way line they go
 GB709.Goor..the er Garlick at the back of the ruck
 GB710.across to Lam
 GB711.sends it once again to Jason Lowrie
 GB712.and Lowrie carts it further downfield
 GB713.forty away now from the Bears' goal-line
 GB714.one tackle left to go
 GB715.as it goes to Garlick
 GB716.across to Logan
 GB717.he jumbles the ball
 GB718.turns it back to Sing
 GB719.Sing can't get his arms free
 GB720.as he does now to Walker on the way to the deck
 GB721.back it goes to Garlick
 GB722.across to Lowrie
 GB723.good ball finds Iro
 GB724.Iro elects now to put the ball high
 GB725.Mattie Seers up in the line
 GB726.they scurry back for the ball
 GB727.Dallas is back there too in the in-goal area
 GB728.Dallas first to the football

GB729.knocks it out the back door
 GB730.and gee whiz!
 GB731.well he came up into the line Mattie Seers
 GB732.no fullback
 GB733.nobody at home
 GB734.RM: well Eastern Suburbs' kicking game in is outstanding
 GB735.what they're doing...
 GB736.obviously because they're kicking into the wind
 GB737.they are putting these high er bombs up er midfield bombs
 GB738.and they're hanging in the wind there of course
 GB739.allowing their um their chasers to come through
 GB740.and get underneath them
 GB741.making it very very tricky for the receiver of the ball
 GB742.it sort of er wafts around in the air
 GB743.and er it's a it's a very very good tactic << >> [[to do this]]
 GB744.<<when you're running into the wind >>
 GB745.GH: okay around the grounds for *Strathfield Car Radios*
 GB746.we'll go straight to Steve Mascord at Kogarah
 GB747.SM: St. George two Penrith nil
 GB748.GH: Danny Wildler
 GB749.DW: Western Reds six Illawarra four
 GB750.GH: Peter Newlands
 GB751.PN: Wests and North Queensland four all
 GB752.GH: Michael Ritchie
 GB753.MR: it's Souths six Crushers two
 GB754.GH: and back here you've missed none of the action
 GB755.the recommencement we see [[Clearly picking up the football back there on the forty yard line North Sydney's end of the ground]]
 GB756.and he's immediately put down once again by Fairleigh
 GB757.but it's played to Garlick
 GB758.sends it across to Paul Dunn
 GB759.he's lifting his work rates
 GB760.and se and being a starter in the thirteen this afternoon
 GB761.but he's a very er a very very strong player
 GB762.but on that occasion went straight to the deck
 GB763.but now Walker handles for Easts
 GB764.he sends it back to Peter Clark
 GB765.tried to get outside the tackle of Jason Taylor
 GB766.but little Jason Taylor around the booties || to knock him to the ground
 GB767.back to Logan
 GB768.again up the centre he goes
 GB769.trying to get past the tackle of Larson and Fairleigh
 GB770.he can't do that
 GB771.he finds himself face down
 GB772.twenty-two metres out now from the Bears' line
 GB773.as Garlick acts as dummy-half
 GB774.across to Adrian Lam
 GB775.out this time it goes to Iro
 GB776.back to Matt Sing
 GB777.and Sing is put away that time by Steve Trindall in company
 GB778.as he plays the football
 GB779.and once again across to Adrian Lam
 GB780.he gets a kick across
 GB781.now the North Sydney backs going up for it
 GB782.Peter Clark beautifully takes it
 GB783.he's lost the football
 GB784.back to Jorgensen
 GB785.the referee has given a penalty to North Sydney
 GB786.it should've ...
 GB787.no it's not a penalty
 GB788.it's a play-the-ball
 GB789.it was on the sixth
 GB790.so the Bears now will get out of trouble with the play-the-ball

GB791.back it goes to Dallas
 GB792.fifteen out from his own line down the centre Jorgensen chases
 GB793.as does Logan
 GB794.and eventually they catch up with him
 GB795.it's played this time to Soden
 GB796.Gary Larson straight up the centre of the ground
 GB797.twenty metres gained by Larso that time
 GB798.and he's pulled down thirty-eight out from his own line
 GB799.once again it's Fairleigh for the North Sydney Bears
 GB800.he fends off one
 GB801.[RM: dropped the ball]
 GB802.GH: and he has Roy
 GB803.it was pinched
 GB804.and the referee said || it was pinched too
 GB805.he ripped it out of his hands no doubt about it
 GB806.[RM: oh mate you]
 GB807.GH: and a penalty now to North Sydney
 GB808.RM: you're allowed to do that
 GB809.the referee doesn't know the rules
 GB810.if it's man on man
 GB811.you are allowed to come in
 GB812.and rip the ball off him
 GB813.what you cannot do of course is ke [[a third man cannot come in || when two men are locked up ||
 and steal the ball ||
 GB814.that was a case [[where Fairleigh in an attempt [[to try and fend off the player]] lost er his total grip
 on the ball || and the player got underneath him || and just took it off him ||
 GB815.GH: okay down now to the be.. to er Tony Peters for the *Family Car Centre*
 GB816.TP: yeah that's a fair call too in that case
 GB817.but gee Sydney City are starting to unsettle North Sydney
 GB818.North Sydney probably a little bit more rattled than say the the composed Sydney City at the
 moment
 GB819.who are getting good value from Tony Iro's unorthodox kicking game
 GB820.GH: well North Sydney in possession back down er twenty-eight out from the Roosters' line
 GB821.it's gone back to Billy Moore
 GB822.to Larson
 GB823.he's passed
 GB824.it's picked up by Nigel Roy
 GB825.it hit the deck
 GB826.but then er a favourable bounce for Nigel Roy
 GB827.and he's in possession
 GB828.but eventually Lowrie gets him on the deck
 GB829.now it's gone back to Soden
 GB830.a long ball picks up um Michael Buettner
 GB831.Buettner has a look on the outside
 GB832.he's cut 'em open Buettner
 GB833.Cleary won't get to him
 GB834.and Michael Buettner with the pace and speed [[that he's got off the mark]] has gone around || to
 score a very very good North Sydney try
 GB835.that was pace and acceleration Roy
 GB836.very strong determined effort
 GB837.RM: I reckon || that was a wonderful wonderful try
 GB838. [[what happened]] is [[that Buettner got the ball]]
 GB839.he got it off er the half back Jason Taylor
 GB840.it was a classic backline movement
 GB841.the sliding defence started to shift over ah || in order to cover the centres
 GB842.ah he saw a tiny little hole
 GB843.and he just streaked for it
 GB844.he showed a tremendous amount of acceleration
 GB845.he's a lot faster [[than most people give him credit for]]
 GB846.he sprinted for the line
 GB847.and then came over
 GB848.and improved his position
 GB849.we're going to see a situation now

GB850.I would say || with the radar-like accuracy of er their kicker er Jason Taylor that we're going to see
 [[North Sydney hit the front by eight points to six]]

GB851.GH: and around the grounds from *Strathfield Car Radio* Steve Mascord

GB852.SM: St. George two Penrith nil

GB853.GH: Danny Wildler

GB854.DW: Illawarra have just scored a try

GB855.Illawarra eight with the kick to come are leading the Western Reds six

GB856.GH: Peter Newlands

GB857.PN: North Queensland eight Wests four

GB858.kick to come for the Cowboys

GB859.GH: Michael Ritchie

GB860.MR: yeah South Sydney have just scored a very good try

GB861.and with the kick to come

GB862.they'll er they could lead

GB863.they're leading ten two against the Crushers

GB864.GH: Well we'll get back to you for the kick in a moment

GB865.as we see now this er shot for goal now

GB866.to be taken by young Jason Taylor

GB867.he's only eleven metres out smack dab in front

GB868.that was one of a er a series of good tries <<I think>> [[that is going to be scored here this
 afternoon by both these sides]]

GB869.he comes in beautifully

GB870.and he punches it

GB871.doesn't matter

GB872.whether it's eleven out Roy

GB873.or it's back on the er on the half way line

GB874.he puts all the effort into every kick [[he takes]]

GB875.RM: Oh yes he... he's er... you know..what can we say about him other than the fact [[that you
 should develop mathematical tables off his foot]]

GB876.GH: okay down now to Tony Peters on the sideline for the *Family Car Centre*

GB877.TP: Greg it's a stunning situation

GB878.two of the best defensive sides in the League

GB879.and even the best defensive sides make mistakes

GB880.and all we've seen today is two tries

GB881.and we've described them as soft tries

GB882.and yet defences as good as these have made mistakes

GB883.which we don't often see

GB884.GH: no you don't

GB885.it's a chess game out there

GB886.and Roy pointed that out in the first ten minutes too

GB887.very structured sides

GB888.just waiting for the opportunity [[for one to make a mistake]]

GB889.it is now eight points to six in favour of the Bears over the Sydney City Roosters on the *Global
 Self Storage* Scoreboard

GB890.as we wait now for [[Walker to come up || to er get this game underway]]

GB891.heck of a lot of time wasted here

GB892.the ball went over the fence

GB893.I don't know whether the... where the ball boys were

GB894.I can see [[the ball's in their hands]]

GB895.but they waited to get this football back out of the crowd

GB896.before they start the game

GB897.the referee blows his whistle now

GB898.it falls off the mound

GB899.[RM: off the mound]

GB900.GH: and Eastern Suburbs have just well have overran the ball

GB901.he didn't get a foot to it

GB902.so er there's nobody off-side

GB903.but gee whiz I wish || somebody'd hold the ball

GB904.we had to see it in Reserve Grade

GB905.because the wind is so er so strong down there

GB906.although it appears to have eased off at this stage

GB907. [RM: suits it]

GB908.RM: it suits Eastern Suburbs of course

GB909. because er it reduces the amount ... || as Tony said earlier
 GB910. it reduces North Sydney's amount of time er with the wind at their backs
 GB911. GH: it certainly does
 GB912. and from the commencement once again bounces off Larson
 GB913. he picks it up
 GB914. carries it into the field-of-play
 GB915. and he's put down
 GB916. but he plays it now to Soden
 GB917. gives it back to David Fairleigh
 GB918. Fairleigh straightened up the attack
 GB919. Larson er was um was there
 GB920. but er he just couldn't get the ball away
 GB921. now it's back to Billy Moore
 GB922. Billy Moore having a look back
 GB923. Tony Iro's gone over
 GB924. and he absolutely monsters him
 GB925. he'll get up || to play it thirty metres out from the Bears' line
 GB926. it's gone across to Soden
 GB927. good pass out now to Larson
 GB928. into the attack for the Bears
 GB929. forty metres out from his own goal-line
 GB930. he's put to ground by Dunn
 GB931. Larson heading up now || to play it
 GB932. it goes across to Taylor
 GB933. good ball finds Michael Buettner
 GB934. and Buettner now with the kicking caper
 GB935. and it's an absolute beauty
 GB936. it's come right down into the in-goal area
 GB937. forced Cleary to come down
 GB938. he's going to wait
 GB939. it's bounced beautifully
 GB940. waited very nice
 GB941. and in fact Cleary had to dive into the field-of-play || to get there
 GB942. one bloke back there on his own Jorgensen
 GB943. the only fella with the speed [[to get back there acting dummy-half]]
 GB944. he runs it out another eight metres
 GB945. now Peter Clark arrives on the scene the centre three quarter for the Sydney City Roosters
 GB946. he's eventually put down about eighteen metres out from the line
 GB947. it's played to Garlick
 GB948. sends it out now to Hermansson
 GB949. on the ground for the Eastern Suburbs side
 GB950. and he carts it up to the twenty
 GB951. but it's gone once again to Iro
 GB952. Iro straightens up the attack
 GB953. looks back inside
 GB954. finds Matt Sing
 GB955. he finds the gap
 GB956. but eventually they catch up with him
 GB957. one left to go to the Roosters forty metres away from the Easts' line
 GB958. it's gone across to Fittler
 GB959. Fittler now puts the football downfield
 GB960. howling wind up over the head of Mattie Seers
 GB961. better position this time Seers [[to take it ten out from his own line]]
 GB962. he turns around
 GB963. runs the ball back very very well || to be about twenty six metres out from the Bears' goal-line
 GB964. as Soden scurries to the back of the ruck || to run it on his own
 GB965. no-one there except for Dallas
 GB966. who scooted in from the wing to accept the pass
 GB967. if it was necessary
 GB968. but it wasn't
 GB969. so he acts as dummy-half
 GB970. he gives it back to Fairleigh
 GB971. Fairleigh dummied to Trindall

GB972. still going across field David Fairleigh
 GB973. nicely taken around the legs that time by Clark
 GB974. back to Soden
 GB975. gives it across to Jason Taylor
 GB976. a nice ball finds Billy Moore
 GB977. who gives it to Larson
 GB978. Larson bounces off one
 GB979. tripped over the Eastern Suburbs player in the first tackle
 GB980. and that was Iro
 GB981. as he gets up || to play it once again now to Chris Caruana
 GB982. Caruana out to um.. Mattie Seers
 GB983. Mattie Seers has a look back inside
 GB984. they've got one left to go
 GB985. this'll go to the air I feel sure
 GB986. off the boot of Jason Taylor
 GB987. no
 GB988. he elects the wide ball once again
 GB989. he saw the numbers
 GB990. and it's taken by Dallas
 GB991. Dallas chips downfield
 GB992. ooh Cleary's in no-man's land again on his own
 GB993. and Dallas hammers him Roy right down on the Eastern Suburbs' goal-line
 GB994. RM: interesting this game
 GB995. it's being er decided by er <<I would say>> at this stage by forwards and the er back line for both teams
 GB996. Eastern Suburbs tend to have er Tony Iro out on the backs
 GB997. whereas North Sydney have got er interestingly enough
 GB998. Gary Larson is starting to play fairly wide
 GB999. and er the wingers are also coming into the play
 GB1000. so it's a game [[that's er it's moving wide of ...]]
 GB1001. the initial forward rushes are still on
 GB1002. they're still trying to get their yardage up through the middle
 GB1003. but they're looking to attack more out wide via ball-playing er centres er second-rowers
 GB1004. GH: Yes
 GB1005. well Fittler has put a kick in
 GB1006. and he's taken a swan dive
 GB1007. but I tell you what || he's sucked the referee in no doubt about that
 GB1008. because Ward's giving him a penalty
 GB1009. he's put it out for a trip
 GB1010. but er maybe I saw it wrong
 GB1011. but I tell you what || the boys for *Strathfield Car Radios* around the grounds won't
 GB1012. Steve Mascord
 GB1013. SM: Saint George two Penrith nil
 GB1014. GH: Danny Wildler
 GB1015. DW: Illawarra eight the Western Reds six
 GB1016. GH: Peter Newlands
 GB1017. PN: North Queensland fourteen Wests four
 GB1018. kick to come for North Queensland
 GB1019. GH: Matthew Ritchie
 GB1020. MR: it is er a real incident here er here at er Redfern
 GB1021. Geoff Wittenberg has been sent off for a high tackle on Paul Quinn
 GB1022. er the score ... board reads || South Sydney ten the Crushers two
 GB1023. GH: okay thank you Michael
 GB1024. a send-off there at Redfern Oval
 GB1025. very uncharacteristic [[for blokes to be hoisted at Redfern, Roy [laughs]]]
 RM: [laughs]
 GB1026. GH: South Sydney gee whizz the home of the Rabbits
 GB1027. but we've got [[Eastern Suburbs playing North Sydney here at the Bear Park]]
 GB1028. gone across now to Lam
 GB1029. Roosters in possession
 GB1030. turns it back this time to Peter Clark
 GB1031. beautifully taken about ten metres away from the Bears' line by Chris Caruana
 GB1032. back it goes to Garlick

GB1033.he sends it across now to Smith on for the Roosters
 GB1034.and he's pulled down five out from the Bears' line
 GB1035.defending gamely now
 GB1036.as Adrian Lam cops the ball
 GB1037.a long cut-out pass to Fittler
 GB1038.Fittler gives it across to Walker
 GB1039.Walker has a look out wide
 GB1040.he's got the gap
 GB1041.he gives it across to Junee
 GB1042. and Easts have scored a try
 GB1043.this is superb rugby league here this afternoon
 GB1044.he has gone over || to score an absolute beauty
 GB1045.Tony Peters for the *Family Car Centre* on the sideline
 GB1046.TP: gee I tell you what
 GB1047.they've found North Sydney twice on the outside
 GB1048.that was a beautiful bit of work by Andrew Walker
 GB1049.he held up the pass
 GB1050.he pulled the North Sydney defence in
 GB1051.and just gave enough room [[for Darren Junee to squeeze over in the corridor]]
 GB1052.but that was a beautifully worked out try
 GB1053.the ball swinging out wide along the back line
 GB1054.and as Roy earlier picked up in the the call today
 GB1055.the Sydney City using the ball out wider this afternoon [[than they normally might]]
 GB1056.and paying good results with two good tries
 GB1057.GH: yes it was a great try
 GB1058.Roy
 GB1059.RM: that's [[where the tries are starting to come from both sides]]
 GB1060.they're moving towards their flanks
 GB1061.they've they've taken up all the heat of the battle in the forwards
 GB1062.and they're starting to try and get on the outside
 GB1063.and out-flank them
 GB1064.but it's interesting [[]]
 GB1065.<<you that er with er with the sliding defence employed by most of the clubs these days>>
 [[that such tries should not be found]]
 GB1066.because you should have [[plenty of er defence moving over towards er the sideline || and hunting
 them over to the sideline]]
 GB1067.be..but the the feet are too fast
 GB1068.and the hands ... and the hand speed is too dextrous [[for them to do it]]
 GB1069.they er they they just ...when it finally comes to a two-on-one situation
 GB1070.the twinkle-toed players such as Daren Junee and even... [[L...I dare to say [[that we're going to
 see later on in the course of this game]]]] Brett Dallas
 GB1071.they are the the they are the ones [[that are going to register the scores]]
 GB1072.we have got a fascinating contest here
 GB1073.GH: we certainly have
 GB1074.and now we've got Ivan Cleary from the touch-line twenty metres out
 GB1075.and again the ball falling off the mound
 GB1076.it's ten points to eight on the *Global Self Storage* Scoreboard in favour of Sydney City with this
 kick to come
 GB1077.and er Iro playing very very wide
 GB1078.it'll be interesting [[to see || what James Smith does || now he's on || and giving Iro a bit of a
 spell in the shed
 GB1079.to see || whether or not he's be.. a... he gets into that pattern of playing wide too
 GB1080.so they're just trying to outsmart themselves both of these coaches
 GB1081.and er well so far it's just so even [[it's just not funny]]
 GB1082.as we said earlier || I couldn't pick them
 GB1083.but I had to lean to North Sydney Roy simply because of the er home ground advantage
 GB1084.RM: ah well of course it's a massive thing
 GB1085.and traditionally it's always been very very strong here
 GB1086.but also you know the the goal kicking
 GB1087.I I I I was interested in Gary Jack's comment earlier
 GB1088.he said || it would all come down to goal kicking in the end
 GB1089.it may well do
 GB1090.and if it is the case

GB1091. and if Eastern Suburbs do win the game as a result of the kicking of Ivan Cleary
 GB1092. it'll be significant
 GB1093. because he only left North Sydney
 GB1094. because he couldn't get a kick
 GB1095. owing to the talents of Jason Taylor
 GB1096. GH: there he is twenty metres out from the touch-line
 GB1097. Ivan Cleary's attempt at shot of goal
 GB1098. Oh he's put it over
 GB1099. he has dead set put it right over the black dot
 GB1100. twelve points to eight in favour of Sydney City over the North Sydney Bears on the *Global Self Storage Scoreboard*
 GB1101. as once again around the grounds for *Strathfield Car Radios* to Steve Mascord
 GB1102. SM: Saint George four Penrith nil
 GB1103. GH: Danny Wildler
 GB1104. DW: Illawarra eight the Western Reds six
 GB1105. GH: Peter Newlands
 GB1106. PN: North Queensland sixteen Western Suburbs four
 GB1107. GH: Michael Ritchie
 GB1108. MR: South Sydney fourteen Crushers two
 GB1109. GH: okay fourteen-two the Rabbits
 GB1110. ooh they're gunna be skinning everyone today
 GB1111. as we see [[Jason Taylor get it underway from the half-way for the North Sydney Bears]]
 GB1112. Cleary getting under it five out from his own goal-line
 GB1113. went across field || to try and link up with Dunn
 GB1114. changes his mind
 GB1115. carts the football further downfield || to be fifteen away from his own line
 GB1116. and put down in a strong tackle by Chrissie Caruana
 GB1117. now it's Hermansson's turn [[for the Roosters to go up towards his own twenty metre line]]
 GB1118. and he's taken over the top
 GB1119. Craig Wilson also on for the North Sydney Bears
 GB1120. as we see Garlick across to Fittler
 GB1121. gives it out now to James Smith
 GB1122. nice tackle around the legs by Jason Taylor
 GB1123. he'll quickly play it to Garlick
 GB1124. again he finds a hole in the marker defence of the Bears' defence
 GB1125. up towards his own forty metre line
 GB1126. before being finished off that time by Wilson
 GB1127. it's played to Adrian Lam
 GB1128. gives it back once again to Paul Dunn
 GB1129. can't get his arms free || to off-load that football
 GB1130. three Bears all over the top of him
 GB1131. Garlick with the football at the back of the ruck
 GB1132. across to Fittler
 GB1133. Fittler's kick now goes down past Hall
 GB1134. awkward bounce this time for Seers
 GB1135. pa...takes it nicely
 GB1136. heads again towards the centre of the ground
 GB1137. as we go to Tony Peters on the Sideline for the *Family Car Centre*
 GB1138. TP: I may be reading things into this
 GB1139. but Peter Louis' made a very significant change
 GB1140. he's pulled Nigel Roy from the field
 GB1141. and unless I'm wrong
 GB1142. Nigel Roy's been caught out of position twice
 GB1143. both led the tries by Sydney City
 GB1144. and ... on his side of the field
 GB1145. and just maybe he could be paying the penalty for a couple of lapses in defence
 GB1146. GH: okay North Sydney still in possession of the football
 GB1147. [[getting up || to play it that time]] was um [[it was Dallas]]
 GB1148. but now it's ... straight pass back into the arms this time of er Trindall
 GB1149. and he plays it
 GB1150. out it goes to Jason Taylor
 GB1151. across to Wilson
 GB1152. good pass on to Billy Moore

GB1153. did well
 GB1154. to take that Roy
 GB1155. had it cocked in both arms || to off-load to support
 GB1156. but none available
 GB1157. Chris Caruana gives it back now to Wilson
 GB1158. Wilson gets a kick downfield
 GB1159. and she'll go straight out the back door over the dead-ball line
 GB1160. so we're back to the twenty
 GB1161. RM: yeah I'd say || Wilson's out there too
 GB1162. because they want a bit more ball play
 GB1163. they want to see [[if they can put a few fellows through holes]]
 GB1164. I mean this defence is pretty intense both sides
 GB1165. and er.. he is a fellow [[who's got very clever hands]]
 GB1166. and can um and and can get around the ruck there
 GB1167. and um an um and unload
 GB1168. GH: yes he can
 GB1169. and the er the er possession of Eastern Suburbs now
 GB1170. and it was Hermansson
 GB1171. finds himself face down thirty metres out from his own goal-line
 GB1172. he quickly plays the ball
 GB1173. it goes back to Garlick
 GB1174. then straight now into the arms of Dunn
 GB1175. Dunn now is put down
 GB1176. he'll play it to Garlick
 GB1177. [...?..]. across to Lam
 GB1178. good ball out now to James Smith
 GB1179. he's gonna be wrapped up by Michael Buettner out wide two short of the half way line
 GB1180. still back in Rooster territory
 GB1181. as Garlick gives it across this time to Fittler
 GB1182. and Fittler getting himself a lot more involved in the early stages of this game
 GB1183. as he carts the ball back up over the half-way line into Bear territory
 GB1184. back to Garlick
 GB1185. sends it across this time to Hermansson
 GB1186. again tries to muscle his way over the top of one or two
 GB1187. one left to go now to Sydney City
 GB1188. [[Chris Caruana combining with Trindall]] was [[the man to put him to ground]]
 GB1189. as he gives it to Fittler
 GB1190. and Fittler puts it to air once again
 GB1191. that's a cloud buster this time
 GB1192. Matt Seers all up for it
 GB1193. and beautifully takes the ball
 GB1194. Sing went up || to try and harass him
 GB1195. but Seers got away from him
 GB1196. got away from one or two
 GB1197. a nice ball once again to Ikin
 GB1198. Ben Ikin going for the corner
 GB1199. Jorgensen's coming at him
 GB1200. it's Ikin
 GB1201. it's Jorgensen
 GB1202. and Ikin has scored
 GB1203. Ikin has scored
 GB1204. Jorgensen actually hit him two metres out there from the Eastern Suburbs goal-line
 GB1205. and they have scored
 GB1206. and for the first time << >> Adrian Lam clapped the try
 GB1207. <<I haven't seen it in years>>
 GB1208. he thought that was a fabulous effort to his credit as a sportsman
 GB1209. but what a wonderful Rugby League try
 GB1210. RM: yes [...?]
 GB1211. the ball went up into the air
 GB1212. it sat up there er in the clouds
 GB1213. Greg Hartley called it a cloud buster
 GB1214. it certainly was
 GB1215. it hovered there

GB1216. and er when it finally came down
 GB1217. and I believe with possibly even with ice on it
 GB1218. it fell down
 GB1219. and it fell beautifully in the arms of Matt Seers
 GB1220. but so long was that ball in the air [[that it even disorientated the er Roosters' defence]]
 GB1221. they didn't quite know || where it was
 GB1222. they had their eyes skyward rather than lateral
 GB1223. looking along the line || to form a line
 GB1224. they didn't form a very very good line
 GB1225. Matt Seers saw that little hole
 GB1226. he went for it down the blind side
 GB1227. the same side of the field [[that er Nigel Roy had been replaced from]]
 GB1228. whipped down the sideline
 GB1229. in-passed er beautifully to er to Ben Ikin
 GB1230. who won the race for the line
 GB1231. he was tackled just short of it
 GB1232. but momentum allowed him to roll over the line
 GB1233. GH: yeah one of the best tries [[you'll see all this season]]
 GB1234. that was absolutely fantastic football
 GB1235. as I said || started from the kick
 GB1236. and Mattie Seers just stood his ground
 GB1237. Sing went through with a bit of a charge
 GB1238. but missed the mark completely
 GB1239. and then he just hot-footed it downfield
 GB1240. great support play from Ben Ikin
 GB1241. but Jorgensen
 GB1242. they tried their darndest || to get across
 GB1243. and Jorgensen finally got in two metres before the line
 GB1244. it was a good hit
 GB1245. because he went to the deck
 GB1246. but as Roy pointed out || momentum got him across the line
 GB1247. twenty-two metres out now from the Eastern Suburbs' goal-line Jason Taylor has this ball some
 four metres in from the touch-line
 GB1248. and he's standing very steadily again
 GB1249. as the wind coming across and downfield
 GB1250. he hits it beautifully
 GB1251. the sand goes up
 GB1252. he watches this one
 GB1253. oh it's hit the er upright
 GB1254. no goal
 GB1255. so it remains twelve apiece here the Sydney City Roosters over the North Sydney Bears
 GB1256. as we go around the grounds for *Strathfield Car Radios* to Geoffrey Dunn
 GB1257. GD: at Brookvale Oval no score between Manly and Parramatta
 GB1258. GH: Steve Mascord
 GB1259. SM: Saint George ten Penrith nil
 GB1260. GH: Danny Wildler
 GB1261. DW: the Western Reds twelve Illawarra eight
 GB1262. GH: Peter Newlands
 GB1263. PN: North Queensland sixteen Western Suburbs ten
 GB1264. GH: young Michael Ritchie
 GB1265. MR: South Sydney twenty Crushers two
 GB1266. GH: see ya later Crushers!
 GB1267. I said before || couldn't crush a grape
 GB1268. now we've got now er we'll go to Tony Peters on the sideline for the *Family Car Centre*
 GB1269. as Roy thinks about the beautiful [tyrrals?]
 GB1270. TP: well fancy Jason Taylor missing a shot at goal from the sideline
 GB1271. who would have believed it
 GB1272. but Greg the interesting point the very per... the round fullback for North Sydney full back [[who's
 been playing so so well now today Mattie Seers]] has been down on confidence
 GB1273. since he broke his arm in the Sevens Tournament earlier this year
 GB1274. hasn't been the same sort of player
 GB1275. but now an effort like that will just be [[what he needs || to build his confidence back up again]]
 GB1276. that was [[a Mattie Seers of old turning defence into attack]]

GB1277. GH: it was absolutely fantastic Tony
 GB1278. now we've got North Sydney in possession of the football forty out from their own line
 GB1279. it's gone across to Caruana
 GB1280. straight out to Craig Wilson
 GB1281. once again to Jason Taylor
 GB1282. Ben Ikin nearly puts a bust on
 GB1283. this time Matt Sing's got him well and truly contained along with Fittler
 GB1284. quickly plays it to Taylor
 GB1285. oh the pass is a shocker
 GB1286. it was meant for Billy Moore
 GB1287. eventually he's gonna take the ball
 GB1288. bounced awkwardly too for the first bloke [[in trying to pick it up in er Dallas Weston || on for the
 North Sydney Bears]]
 GB1289. but Soden's at the back of the ruck
 GB1290. now he off-loads this time
 GB1291. out to Wilson again
 GB1292. Wilson tries to put a dummy on
 GB1293. James Smith wasn't wearing that
 GB1294. and he's put him to ground
 GB1295. an a er a change over
 GB1296. that was the last tackle
 GB1297. obviously Roy they're not reading er they're not reading the player
 GB1298. RM: nah
 GB1299. GH: or they're not looking at er Eddie Ward
 GB1300. when he puts his arm up
 GB1301. RM: well er er in addition to that I think || that Taylor seems to be drifting very very wide
 GB1302. he's not taking the control of the ball around the rucks
 GB1303. as he normally does
 GB1304. it seems to me || as though Craig Wilson has come on here
 GB1305. and er he's er he's calling the shots and and not young Taylor
 GB1306. and this is causing a little bit of this confusion
 GB1307. such as er not kicking on the last tackle
 GB1308. GH: Adrian Lam now in possession
 GB1309. he quickly plays it back to Garlick
 GB1310. Garlick across to James Smith
 GB1311. again wrapped up very nicely over the top by David Fairleigh
 GB1312. he'll play it now forty-odd metres out from the North Sydney Bears' line the er North Sydney
 goal-line
 GB1313. as we see [[Fittler doing a three-sixty]]
 GB1314. screaming at his players || to come through || and take the football
 GB1315. gee whiz some of these forwards are going a little bit missing in action at this stage
 GB1316. as we see now [[Walker getting a high ball up again]]
 GB1317. look at the height of these kicks
 GB1318. it's still up there
 GB1319. it's still up there
 GB1320. now it comes down
 GB1321. and once again Mattie Seers takes it
 GB1322. and a penalty's going to be given to the North Sydney Bears
 GB1323. inside the ten metres
 GB1324. Tony Iro's the bloke [[that's been pinched by Eddie Ward]]
 GB1325. RM: [indecipherable]
 GB1326. GH: [?] this penalty now will get them out of trouble about twelve metres out from the Bear's
 goal-line
 GB1327. as we go to Tony Peters on the sideline for the *Family Car Centre*
 GB1328. TP: yeah Greg further to what you were talking about before
 GB1329. I get the feeling [[that North Sydney are stationing Craig Wilson out wide || to try to target
 Mattie Sing]]
 GB1330. they seem to think || that Mattie Sing may have a few deficiencies in his defence
 GB1331. and that's that's [[where they're aiming a lot of their attack now]]
 GB1332. GH: okay
 GB1333. Roy
 GB1334. RM: well I'm thinking about that ...
 GB1335. I'm still thinking about that penalty

GB1336.I mean the ball went up so high
 GB1337.it had time [[for God and the angels to shake it]]
 GB1338.surely a bloke could've ... wouldn't've been off-side then
 GB1339.he would've had all the time in the world [[to go forward his ten metres]]
 GB1340.GH: yeah well you would've thought so
 GB1341.but Ward was pretty adamant
 GB1342.and er a big lump of a bloke too Tony Iro
 GB1343.so he stands out
 GB1344.and that's probably the reason [[he was pinched]]
 GB1345.he's so big
 GB1346.but Billy Moore in possession for the Bears
 GB1347.it's gone to Soden
 GB1348. across to Taylor
 GB1349.good ball on to Buettner
 GB1350.a switch back now to Florimo
 GB1351.beats the first line
 GB1352.couldn't off-load to Mattie Seers
 GB1353.who was screaming for the football
 GB1354.put down by Iro
 GB1355.he'll play it again
 GB1356. now it goes across this time to Jason Taylor
 GB1357. Taylor aims up
 GB1358.trying to get around Hermansson
 GB1359.couldn't do it
 GB1360.eventually Garlick finishes him off
 GB1361.Craig Weston now
 GB1362.giving it across
 GB1363.um... Dallas Weston || I should say
 GB1364.back it goes this time to Caruana
 GB1365.Caruana going to be wrapped up too
 GB1366. they've got one left to go the Bears
 GB1367.they're only twenty-eight now from the Roosters' goal-line
 GB1368.Ward screaming to Eastern Suburbs || to get back on-side
 GB1369.another ordinary pass left || for Billy Moore to pick it up
 GB1370.and now it goes out to Wilson
 GB1371.Wilson gets a frustrated kick downfield || I'm here || to tell ya
 GB1372.and er he ...
 GB1373.RM: he's kicked a field-goal
 GB1374.GH: he has kicked a field-goal
 GB1375.you wouldn't believe it
 GB1376.he was what thirty-eight metres out
 GB1377.as I said || he had a shot at a field-goal
 GB1378.it was a dead set drop-kick no wer...erm risk in the world
 GB1379.it's hit the cross-bar
 GB1380.and bounced into Ivan Cleary's arms
 GB1381.and he nearly had a stroke Cleary
 GB1382.he couldn't believe it
 RM: [huh huh laughing]
 GB1383.RM: and the referee...
 GB1384.and the crowd were cheering particularly all this fig tree crowd here right underneath us
 GB1385.because.. < > because they they had a good view of the trajectory of the kick
 <er or to the left of us slightly>
 GB1386.and er it of course made up to some extent er fifty percent made up for the one [[that the normally
 very reliable Jason Taylor missed from the side line]]
 GB1387.er this that that one of course hit the upright
 GB1388.this one skimmed along the bar
 GB1389.GH: yeah you wouldn't see another kick like that
 GB1390.it was a beauty
 GB1391.around the grounds for *Strathfield Car Radios* to Geoffrey Dunn
 GB1392.GD: ah still no score between Manly and Parramatta
 GB1393.GH: Steve Mascord
 GB1394.SM: Saint George sixteen Penrith nil
 GB1395.GH: Danny Wildler

GB1396.DW: the Western Reds twelve are leading Illawarra eight
 GB1397.GH: Peter Newlands
 GB1398.PN: North Queensland sixteen Western Suburbs ten
 GB1399.GH: and Michael Ritchie
 GB1400.MR: yeah six minutes to go here at Redfern
 GB1401.South Sydney twenty-six Crushers two
 GB1402.GH: well they're doing a job on them
 GB1403.back now to Weston
 GB1404.Dallas the Christian name
 GB1405.and he doesn't look anything like a biscuit || I'm here || to tell ya
 GB1406.and the ball has gone astray
 GB1407.it was an ordinary pass let me tell you
 GB1408.but picked up very quickly by Craig Wilson
 GB1409.out now to David Fairleigh
 GB1410.running wide
 GB1411.trying to skirt that er defence of Eastern Suburbs around the ruck area
 GB1412.Dunn comes across with Iro || to put him away
 GB1413.and he will play it now thirty-three metres away from the Bears' line
 GB1414.up || to play-the-ball
 GB1415.gone once again this time to Weston
 GB1416.Weston straightens up the attack
 GB1417.goes to ground with it this time with Walker over the top
 GB1418.a play-the-ball to Soden
 GB1419.Soden gets an ordinary pass out to Michael Buettner
 GB1420.Buettner goes back
 GB1421.wind playing havoc too with some of these passes
 GB1422.Buettner tried to put a step on
 GB1423.beautiful ball
 GB1424.back to Dallas
 GB1425.ruled forward by referee Eddie Ward
 GB1426.as we go once again for the *Family Car Centre* to Tony Peters
 GB1427.TP: gee I gotta say || North Sydney's work around the rucks at the moment's getting very sloppy
 || as we approach half-time
 GB1428.normally very methodical mistake free
 GB1429.but gee I get the feeling [[that field-goal was desperation stuff for Norths]]
 GB1430.they er no-one was more surprised than Craig Wilson
 GB1431.but with this strong win... strong wind behind Sydney City in the second half
 GB1432.I don't know || if a point lead's going to be enough
 GB1433.GH: okay thirteen points to twelve in favour of the Bears over the Sydney City Roosters on the
Global Self Storage scoreboard
 GB1434.as Craig Wilson leaves the field
 GB1435.bit of concern there from the doctor
 GB1436.he is limping
 GB1437.probably a crook hip
 GB1438.and Gary Larson the er stalwart for the Bears back on
 GB1439.as we see Eastern Suburbs in possession
 GB1440.Andrew Walker trying to find the bust
 GB1441.he found it
 GB1442.he's got a man on the inside
 GB1443.it was Sing
 GB1444.he was interfered with
 GB1445.but the referee said || not enough [[to er stifle play]]
 GB1446.get up || and play-the-ball || he says to the Bears' player
 GB1447.and that's David Hall
 GB1448.he does so
 GB1449.now it goes back to Larson
 GB1450.Larson tries to run the ball out
 GB1451.but he's gonna be wrapped up also thirty metres away from the North Sydney goal-line
 GB1452.out to Billy Moore
 GB1453.beautiful pass on to David Fairleigh
 GB1454.Fairleigh just busted them
 GB1455.but eventually picked up by Iro in cover
 GB1456.now it's gone to Florimo

GB1457.nice pass out to Jason Taylor
 GB1458.Taylor running very freely on the outside
 GB1459.desperate [[to link up with Dallas]]
 GB1460.but couldn't off-load
 GB1461.back to Florimo at dummy-half
 GB1462.to Billy Moore
 GB1463.good pass out to Fairleigh
 GB1464.Fairleigh busts the tackle of one
 GB1465.but then eventually taken by Walker
 GB1466.he'll play it to Chris Caruana
 GB1467. Caruana off-loads out to Jason Taylor
 GB1468.Taylor races through
 GB1469.puts a little grubber kick back into the arms of Weston
 GB1470.play-on
 GB1471. Weston striding out on the far side
 GB1472.looking for Dallas
 GB1473.well he butchered it
 GB1474.he butchered it
 GB1475.RM: two men on his outside
 GB1476.and he butchered it
 GB1477.GH: yes he did
 GB1478.and er he absolutely butchered that try
 GB1479.Dallas was looming up on the outside
 GB1480.and he didn't even have a look
 GB1481.Eastern Suburbs come up with it via Lowrie
 GB1482.and Lowrie now is put to the ground twenty-six metres away from the Eastern Suburbs goal-line
 GB1483.back to Lam
 GB1484.sends it out to Fittler
 GB1485.gives it out to Iro
 GB1486.Iro trying to put the bust on
 GB1487.and he's done it too
 GB1488.on the inside
 GB1489.have a look on the inside
 GB1490.Junee's lobbed up beautifully
 GB1491.the little Rooster from Bondi Junction
 GB1492.he's popped it away
 GB1493.he's gunna score
 GB1494.and the Sydney City Roosters have gone over for a try compliments of Darren Junee
 GB1495.one butchered down the other end by Norths
 GB1496.and another one within sixty seconds up the other end by the Rooster
 GB1497.RM: how many times do you see [[that happen in Rugby League football]]
 GB1498.where you end up with [[what I call]] a twelve point try
 GB1499.the North Sydney players unhappy, dispirited, down on their luck
 GB1500.because Craig We...Weston butchered a try
 GB1501.didn't maintain their concentration
 GB1502.then came the superb counter attack by the Roosters
 GB1503.all within about thirty seconds
 GB1504.so instead of getting six points at one end of the field
 GB1505.they lost six points at the other end of the field
 GB1506.GH: around the grounds for *Strathfield Car Radios* Geoffrey Dunn
 GB1507.GD: ten minutes gone at Brookvale
 GB1508.still no score between Manly and Parramatta
 GB1509.GH: Steve Mascord
 GB1510.SM: Saint George sixteen Penrith nil
 GB1511.GH: Danny Wildler
 GB1512.DW: the Western Reds twelve lead Illawarra eight
 GB1513.GH: Peter Newlands
 GB1514.PN: half-time North Queensland and Western Suburbs sixteen all
 GB1515.GH: Michael Ritchie
 GB1516.MR: yeah the Crushers have just scored in the corner here
 GB1517.but it's South Sydney twenty-six Crushers six
 GB1518.GH: okay twenty-six six in favour of er South Sydney over the Queensland Crushers
 GB1519.as we head down quickly to Tony Peters on the sideline for the *Family Car Centre*

GB1520.TP: gee psychologically what a dreadful blow for North Sydney
 GB1521.you could see [[the players' hands throw on their hips]]
 GB1522.when that Dallas Weston had Dallas lined up to score
 GB1523.he never even looked like it
 GB1524.he looked like he got stage fright
 GB1525.Dallas Weston making a break like that
 GB1526.and no sooner had players turned their backs
 GB1527.and Tony Iro's made a break at the other end
 GB1528.that is the turning point of the match without a doubt
 GB1529.RM: and it couldn't have come at a worse time too of course
 GB1530.just a minute before half-time
 GB1531.when you're a coach
 GB1532.and you see [[a side come in at half-time || after they've had a try scored against them]]
 GB1533.it is very very difficult to raise them, to lift them
 GB1534.and he's had to lift them on two counts
 GB1535.one because they should've got a try
 GB1536.secondly because they let the opposition in for one
 GB1537.GH: here's the kick now by Ivan Cleary ten metres out smack dab in front
 GB1538.he puts it straight over the dot
 GB1539.eighteen points now to thirteen in favour of the Sydney City Roosters over the North Sydney Bears
 GB1540.an absolutely er terrific game in the first half

POST-GAME TALK

GB1541.as we quickly go around the grounds for their half-time summaries
 GB1542.although Geoff Dunn wouldn't have it yet
 GB1543.because that game started at three o'clock
 GB1544.he we'll get an update from him anyway
 GB1545.GD: still no score at Brookvale
 GB1546.Manly zero Parramatta zero
 GB1547.GH: Steve Mascord
 GB1548.SM: yes er here er it's about a minute out from half-time
 GB1549.Saint George sixteen Penrith nil
 GB1550.scorers for St. George Lance Thompson in the twenty-seventh minute Anthony Mundine in the thirty-third
 GB1551.Wayne Bartrim, four goals from four attempts
 GB1552.Penrith Ryan Girdler no goals from one attempt
 GB1553.scrums St. George six-four
 GB1554.penalties St. George six-four
 GB1555.it was a mistake-riddled start to this game here at Kogarah Oval
 GB1556.in fact the first three mistakes of the game were on the first tackle
 GB1557.that made both sides reluctant to move the ball
 GB1558.it was fairly boring for a while

2GB Commentary continued

PRE-SECOND-HALF COMMENTARY TALK

GB1559.AM: who's gunna win from here Gary
 GB1560.GJ: I think Norths could come back mate
 GB1561.er you know er it's been nip and tuck
 GB1562.I think that they've taken their chances
 GB1563.but I still think they could come back || and win this in the second-half
 GB1564.AM: all right Gary
 GB1565.catch up with you at full time
 GB1566.so no score and midway through the first-half at Brookvale between Manly and Parramatta
 GB1567.sixteen nil St. George lead Penrith
 GB1568.the Western Reds lead Illawarra twelve eight
 GB1569.sixteen all between Wests and North Queensland
 GB1570.South Sydney twenty-six over South Queensland six
 GB1571.and here is North Sydney

GB1572. they're back on the field for the second-half
 GB1573. it's Sydney City eighteen leading North Sydney thirteen
 GB1574. and for the second-half here's Greg Hollywood Hartley with Roy Masters
 GB1575. GH: thank you very much Andrew
 GB1576. yes North Sydney now taking the field
 GB1577. Eastern Suburbs coming up through the tunnel
 GB1578. and it was a very very good first-half of football Roy Masters
 GB1579. RM: it was
 GB1580. I think || it'll be interesting in the second-half
 GB1581. the extent to which North Sydney wer... running into the breeze will attempt to put up mid-field
 bombs in the same way [[that er the Rosters did]]
 GB1582. er they can er they can certainly er pepper the the Roosters fullback er Ivan Cleary
 GB1583. they know him very well from his days here at North Sydney
 GB1584. um and I think || that er while ever they can do that
 GB1585. << and they've got some pretty tall guys
 GB1586. who can get up pretty high for that ball >>
 GB1587. they may well be able to er to turn the tables || and er exploit er Eastern Suburbs in the in the
 same way in the second-half || that they were exploited in the first-half
 GB1588. GH: okay we go down now to Tony Peters on the sideline for the *Family Car Centre*
 GB1589. What happened at half-time Tone?
 GB1590. TP: well well Greg, plenty of talk
 GB1591. North Sydney
 GB1592. <<as I alluded to earlier in the call>>
 have a major problem on the left-hand side of the field
 GB1593. they hopefully have rectified that problem at half-time
 GB1594. because they have conceded two tries
 GB1595. they're doing the simple things poorly
 GB1596. their defence at dummy half over-reading in defence
 GB1597. he's asked his side || to put the pedal to the metal || and get on with the job in the second-half ||
 but above all don't panic
 GB1598. Sydney City plenty of talk in the Roosters' room
 GB1599. they were lifted by that late try
 GB1600. they're playing well
 GB1601. he wants || them to improve their marker defence
 GB1602. he wants || them to put more pressure on Jason Taylor
 GB1603. the kick and chase game from Andrew Walker's important
 GB1604. but keep the ball away from Mattie Seers
 GB1605. keep up the talk
 GB1606. no injuries of note
 GB1607. North Sydney have a problem with Josh Stuart
 GB1608. has an arm injury
 GB1609. he's being rested at the moment
 GB1610. but psy...psychologically the North Sydney coach Peter Louis has put Dallas Weston back out on
 the field || to see || if he can rectify that problem before half-time

SECOND-HALF COMMENTARY

GB1611. GH: okay and we've got Nathan Wood on for Eastern Suburbs out on that flank
 GB1612. they can't see the other fellow June
 GB1613. so he must be still be in the sheds
 GB1614. but nevertheless it's gone back to Garlick
 GB1615. on to Walker
 GB1616. now Walker immediately in this er second-half gets a kick downfield to Mattie Seers
 GB1617. Mattie Seers a great runner of the ball runs it back up to his own twenty
 GB1618. and in fact gets outside of the twenty
 GB1619. and eventually he's pulled to the ground by Garlick
 GB1620. he'll play it back now to David Hall
 GB1621. David Hall sending the pass across this time to Dallas
 GB1622. Dallas going to be wrapped up by Lowrie and also Garlick
 GB1623. he plays it back to Soden
 GB1624. off-loads to Billy Moore
 GB1625. Billy Moore tries to step Tony Iro
 GB1626. he couldn't do it
 GB1627. he's centre field and forty out from his own line

GB1628. playing it to Soden
 GB1629. again out to Dallas Weston
 GB1630. he tries to get up to the halfway line
 GB1631. and he eventually does that too
 GB1632. Jason Lowrie over the top of him
 GB1633. but back to Soden
 GB1634. sends it across to Gary Larson
 GB1635. and er Iro coming into a heck of a lot of tackling here in the early part of the second-half
 GB1636. as they've got one left to go
 GB1637. straight back to Jason Taylor
 GB1638. his kick goes downfield to Jorgensen
 GB1639. picking it up ten out from his own line
 GB1640. gets up to some fifteen metres or so from that
 GB1641. and er eventually he's pulled down this time
 GB1642. he'll get up || to play it
 GB1643. very quickly across it goes to Ivan Cleary
 GB1644. but he's wrapped up beautifully that time by Steve Trindall
 GB1645. quickly back to Garlick
 GB1646. Garlick across to Lowrie
 GB1647. Lowrie's got Nathan Wood on the outside
 GB1648. he gave him the pass very nicely
 GB1649. but er he is taken over the top by Chris Caruana
 GB1650. now it's played to Garlick
 GB1651. sends it across to Dunn
 GB1652. Dunn gives it out to Sing
 GB1653. Sing trapped on the outside
 GB1654. won't get his pass away
 GB1655. three of the Bears over the top of him forty metres out now from the Sydney City Roosters line
 GB1656. as he plays it to Garlick
 GB1657. Garlick sends a long pass out to Adrian Lam
 GB1658. another long one to Iro
 GB1659. he finds Fittler in the centre of the ground
 GB1660. good ball out to Jorgensen
 GB1661. tries to come back inside Dallas
 GB1662. but Buettner in cover defence coming across field eventually puts him down just short of the
 halfway line
 GB1663. back to Walker
 GB1664. Walker shapes up || to run
 GB1665. then gets a kick
 GB1666. it's an ordinary one
 GB1667. bounces off the foot of Florimo
 GB1668. he picks it up
 GB1669. immediately sends it to the centre of the ground
 GB1670. and a fine pass to Mattie Seers
 GB1671. Seers goes forward
 GB1672. runs into his own team mate Billy Moore
 GB1673. slowed himself down
 GB1674. and eventually Dunn came in over the top || to pull him to ground
 GB1675. back now to Billy Moore
 GB1676. across this time to David Fairleigh
 GB1677. nearly puts the bust on
 GB1678. forty out now from the North Sydney goal-line
 GB1679. a quick play-the-ball
 GB1680. back it goes to Chris Caruana
 GB1681. ooh and he collided with Lowrie and er also the big fellow ste ... er Scott Logan
 GB1682. as Billy Moore now gives it once again
 GB1683. he turns it back to Buettner
 GB1684. Buettner puts a good step on
 GB1685. got around one er two
 GB1686. and Fittler eventually finishes him off
 GB1687. they're thirty metres out now from the Eastern Suburbs goal-line
 GB1688. straight across once again this time it goes to David Fairleigh
 GB1689. Fairleigh runs the angles to Caruana

GB1690. Caruana's pass over the touch-line is an absolute shocker
 GB1691. as the flag goes up
 GB1692. and we go around the grounds for Strathfield Car radios to Geoff Dunn
 GB1693. GD: Manly six Parramatta nil
 GB1694. GH: okay Steve Mascord
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 GB1697. DW: the Western Reds twelve Illawarra eight
 GB1698. GH: Peter Newlands
 GB1699. PN: North Queensland twenty Wests sixteen
 GB1700. kick to come for North Queensland
 GB1701. GH: Michael Ritchie
 GB1702. MR: yeah three minutes in in the second-half
 GB1703. South Sydney twenty-six Crushers six
 GB1704. GH: okay and this scrum going down twenty metres out now from er the Sydney City line
 GB1705. and ooh that scrum's a shocker
 GB1706. it's just fallen all over
 GB1707. referee Eddie Ward's breaking it up
 GB1708. bringing it in the mandatory ten metres
 GB1709. in fact Roy he's bringing it in fifteen
 GB1710. he's bringing it in twenty
 GB1711. RM: he's creating a wide blind
 GB1712. that's one of the things of course [[that er that Super League wanted]]
 GB1713. they wanted erm a scrum set about twenty metres in field || so that you could ge...always attack
 down the blind side from the scrum
 GB1714. er let's see || if they take the option
 GB1715. there's no way in the world [[they will]]
 GB1716. they'll still go open
 GB1717. GH: yes well Lam fed it beautifully
 GB1718. gave it out this time to Nathan Wood
 GB1719. he's pulled down by Caruana
 GB1720. it's played to Lam
 GB1721. back to Fittler
 GB1722. Fittler's prepared to run
 GB1723. ooh tries to run over the top of Florimo
 GB1724. and not too many people do that
 GB1725. particularly if Gary Larson's in over the top
 GB1726. he'll quickly play it to Lam again
 GB1727. out it goes now to Jason Lowrie
 GB1728. nice ball to Peter Clark
 GB1729. he grabbed at it
 GB1730. has put it down
 GB1731. Dallas Weston for the Bears picked it up
 GB1732. so they receive the advantage now the Bears
 GB1733. and he'll be eventually put down forty-two metres out from the Eastern Suburbs' goal-line
 GB1734. so the Bears with six to go
 GB1735. out it goes to Trindall
 GB1736. Trindall tries to step one or two
 GB1737. nice tackle once again by Garlick
 GB1738. quickly plays it to Soden
 GB1739. good ball across this time it goes to David Fairleigh
 GB1740. David Fairleigh running downfield in a er zig-zag fashion
 GB1741. but he's taken over the top
 GB1742. and eventually put down by Logan
 GB1743. gone back to Florimo
 GB1744. Florimo has a look out wide
 GB1745. he gives it to Gary Larson
 GB1746. Larson looks at one way
 GB1747. then changes his mind
 GB1748. he picks up Jason Taylor
 GB1749. Taylor goes forward
 GB1750. he's twenty metres out now from the Eastern Suburbs' line
 GB1751. plays it once again to Soden

GB1752.nice ball across to David Fairleigh
 GB1753.wide it goes to Billy Moore
 GB1754.he turns it back inside this time to Caruana
 GB1755.keeps it alive via Steve Trindall
 GB1756.back it goes to Soden
 GB1757.plenty of air to the ball
 GB1758.ooh and Soden's got his legs chopped from under him once again by Lowrie
 GB1759.now it's gone to Taylor again
 GB1760.Taylor has a look out wide
 GB1761.he gives it to Larson
 GB1762.Larson looks back
 GB1763.can't get his arms free
 GB1764.one left to go
 GB1765.eight metres away from the Eastern Suburbs' line
 GB1766.Dallas Weston's gone to the dummy half position
 GB1767.the call from Taylor's on
 GB1768.he gets it out to Florimo
 GB1769.Florimo a long pass over the top
 GB1770.it's gunna go back to Nathan Wood
 GB1771.but in fact he got a hand to it
 GB1772.a and he knocked it down
 GB1773.the referee picked that one up
 GB1774.no risk in the world he got a hand to it
 GB1775.RM: he certainly did
 GB1776.and there's going to be a scrum set there for ten metres from the er Roosters' line
 GB1777.fed by North Sydney
 GB1778.a great a ... attacking opportunity for them
 GB1779.I wouldn't be surprised
 GB1780.if they go the blind side against Nathan Wood this close to the line
 GB1781.he's only a little short bloke
 GB1782.and er they may well put on a blind side move [[that can er muscle over the top of him]]
 GB1783.GH: well they've got the ball
 GB1784.what can they do now
 GB1785.the Bears they're well and truly inside the twenty metre line Easts' end of the ground
 GB1786.as he gives it to Buettner
 GB1787.out it goes to Florimo
 GB1788.Matt Seers' up into the line
 GB1789.but nicely picked off by Walker twelve metres away from the Roosters' line
 GB1790.up || to quickly play it
 GB1791.forward
 GB1792.no marker defence
 GB1793.gives it back to David Hall
 GB1794.he can't get away from Cleary
 GB1795.but he gives the ball back once again this time to Chris Caruana
 GB1796.now he off-loads a long pass out to Dallas Weston
 GB1797.he's gone without it
 GB1798.Buettner beautifully picks it up on the bounce
 GB1799.now he's got Wood
 GB1800.now Wood's got plenty of pace
 GB1801.the little head's gone back
 GB1802.ooh but look at [[the ...et the er the defence coming across]]
 GB1803.but it goes back to Fittler
 GB1804.Fittler keeps it alive
 GB1805.got around Buettner
 GB1806.a pass back to Jason Taylor right on his own goal-line
 GB1807.he intercepted that
 GB1808.great Rugby League
 GB1809.oh his pass has gone across to Dallas
 GB1810.it's gone astray
 GB1811.so Eastern Suburbs once again come up with the football
 GB1812.he'll play it now Nathan Wood
 GB1813.back it goes to Matt Sing
 GB1814.across to Adrian Lam

GB1815. Lam a long ball
 GB1816. a cut out pass
 GB1817. awkward bounce
 GB1818. but er Peter Clark puts it up for the Roosters
 GB1819. throws it back inside
 GB1820. and Jorgensen scores
 GB1821. a wonderful Eastern Suburbs' try
 GB1822. [...] that time were dead-set Roy Masters on the rack
 GB1823. RM: well that try could've been scored about three different ways
 GB1824. it ended up er with a wonderful break
 GB1825. it started off with a wonderful break down the the side of the field by by Brad Fittler
 GB1826. and er he of course er threw the ball back inside
 GB1827. it was intercepted by Jason Taylor
 GB1828. and just when everybody from North Sydney was thinking || well isn't that a great reward for chasing
 GB1829. he threw a stupid pass
 GB1830. which of course was picked up by the Roosters
 GB1831. and they counter-attacked
 GB1832. the ball sped out
 GB1833. Billy Moore chased it out there
 GB1834. looked like he was going to cover the inside pass
 GB1835. but er and pick up the winger
 GB1836. er but er he slipped the ball back infield
 GB1837. and er er evaded Billy Moore
 GB1838. and so the try [[that should've been scored a couple of rucks earlier]] was finally scored at the other side of the field
 GB1839. GH: okay around the grounds now for *Strathfield Car Radios* Geoff Dunn
 GB1840. GD: Manly twelve p... Parramatta nil
 GB1841. GH: Steve Mascord
 GB1842. SM: St. George sixteen Penrith nil
 GB1843. GH: Danny Wildler
 GB1844. DW: Western Reds twelve Illawarra eight
 GB1845. GH: Peter Newlands
 GB1846. PN: North Queensland twenty Western Suburbs sixteen
 GB1847. GH: Michael Ritchie
 GB1848. MR: South Sydney thirty-two Crushers six
 GB1849. GH: okay and here now we'll see [[Ivan Cleary attempt a conversion of that good try by Jorgensen]]
 GB1850. which was a beauty
 GB1851. as Roy pointed out
 GB1852. it could have been scored in a couple of areas
 GB1853. but North Sydney gee they came up with a few errors that time
 GB1854. very costly ones I might add
 GB1855. twenty-two to nineteen now in er thirteen <<I should say>> in favour of the er Eastern Suburbs Sydney Roosters over the North Sydney Bears with this kick to come
 GB1856. he's ten metres in from touch on the ten metre line
 GB1857. <<in fact the t-bar as we call it>> and twenty metres out
 GB1858. he comes in now
 GB1859. hits it very nicely
 GB1860. and he's put it straight over the dot
 GB1861. twenty-four points now to thirteen on the *Global Self Storage Scoreboard*
 GB1862. as we head now to Tony Peters on the sideline for the *Family Car Centre*
 GB1863. TP: well Greg you don't want to harp on individuals
 GB1864. but you know || that try came really in the end from a drop ball on the on the Sydney City quarterline by the big replacement forward [[who made the blunder]]
 GB1865. and I'd say || he's gotta be pulled from the field
 GB1866. and he's coming from the field now
 GB1867. and you know || you drop a ball
 GB1868. you pay the price in First Grade Rugby League, don't you
 GB1869. GH: you certainly do Tony
 GB1870. and Dallas Weston now being hauled off
 GB1871. as Tony pointed out
 GB1872. Chris Caruana having a bit of a spell

GB1873. David Hall
 GB1874. so er replacements are plenty off the bench once again for the North Sydney Bears
 GB1875. so that they're all out there Josh Stuart and company
 GB1876. so we'll just see || exactly what happens
 GB1877. the ball again falling off the mound here
 GB1878. and er they will get it underway this time || I feel sure
 GB1879. Jason Taylor does just that
 GB1880. a deep kick
 GB1881. although the wind just stopped it up there
 GB1882. Cleary got under it very very quickly
 GB1883. he had to come from his own line right down to the twenty metre line || to get under that
 GB1884. that's how er strong the wind is
 GB1885. but it's gone to Garlick now
 GB1886. straight out now it goes to Jason Lowrie
 GB1887. he's gunna be wrapped up too
 GB1888. just outside of his own quarterline
 GB1889. back to Garlick acting dummy half
 GB1890. across to Lam
 GB1891. sends it out to Iro
 GB1892. Iro ski... skirting very very wide
 GB1893. and he off-loads eventually to Clark
 GB1894. who's pulled down thirty out from the Roosters' line
 GB1895. out to Paul Dunn
 GB1896. Dunn runs towards the centre of the ground
 GB1897. wrapped up beautifully by David Fairleigh and Gary Larson
 GB1898. will play it forty out now from the Roosters' line
 GB1899. across to Garlick
 GB1900. Garlick put a dummy on gar... on er Lowrie
 GB1901. eventually he... tries to step over the top of one
 GB1902. in fact he got away from Trindall's tackle
 GB1903. and eventually finished off by Craig Wilson
 GB1904. but now Adrian Lam
 GB1905. back to Fittler
 GB1906. Fittler now puts the kick down
 GB1907. up over the head of Dallas
 GB1908. a fine kick too
 GB1909. finding touch
 GB1910. fifteen metres out from the Bears' goal-line
 GB1911. RM: yes it was a great kick by Fittler
 GB1912. that's one of the aspects of his game [[that's er that's really improved in the last couple of years]]
 GB1913. since he came into the Australian team during the the Super League er period
 GB1914. er when he has had to assume the kicking responsibilities
 GB1915. his game has just improved so much er
 GB1916. at the World Cup I saw... had the pleasure of watching him in Oct... in in October in England kick
 GB1917. and now he's kicking so full of er skill for the for the Roosters
 GB1918. GH: he certainly is
 GB1919. around the grounds for *Strathfield Car Radios* Geoff Dunn
 GB1920. GD: Manly twelve Parramatta zero
 GB1921. GH: Steve Mascord
 GB1922. SM: St. George twenty Penrith nil
 GB1923. St. George kick to come
 GB1924. GH: Danny Wildler
 GB1925. DW: Western Reds twelve Illawarra eight
 GB1926. GH: Peter Newlands
 GB1927. PN: North Queensland twenty Western Suburbs sixteen
 GB1928. GH: Michael Ritchie
 GB1929. MR: yeah ten minutes in here second-half
 GB1930. South Sydney thirty-two Crushers ten
 GB1931. GH: David Fairleigh in possession for the North Sydney Bears twenty-two metres away from his own line
 GB1932. carting it up field
 GB1933. he's put down
 GB1934. it's played to Soden

GB1935. sends it back now to Billy Moore
 GB1936. Billy Moore going forward with Dunn over the top of him along with Iro
 GB1937. he'll quickly play it
 GB1938. Soden having a look back to the centre of the ground
 GB1939. once again to Craig Wilson
 GB1940. out it goes this time to Michael Buettner
 GB1941. Buettner trying to get around the tackle of Fittler
 GB1942. but Fittler stands his ground || to pull him down forty out from the Bears' line
 GB1943. it's played to Florimo
 GB1944. gives it out to Gary Larson
 GB1945. straight up the centre of the ground
 GB1946. again Sean Garlick around his ankles
 GB1947. he'll play it to Soden
 GB1948. across to Jason Taylor
 GB1949. he puts the chip on downfield too
 GB1950. and going back || to get the ball
 GB1951. Ivan Cleary'll get it just before his own line
 GB1952. he will not
 GB1953. it's back into the in-goal area
 GB1954. the chase is on
 GB1955. ooh and they have put him down
 GB1956. what a great chip and chase that time
 GB1957. and it was Ben Ikin for the North Sydney side
 GB1958. just just muscled him er right inside the in-goal
 GB1959. I thought || he might've gotten to the field-of-play
 GB1960. he did a three-sixty Roy
 GB1961. but he was just too far in-goal
 GB1962. RM: mate there might be twenty-nine minutes left in this game
 GB1963. and the.. there might well be the situation [[where er the Roosters are down by er eleven er eleven points || er sorry the North Sydney might be down by eleven points]]
 GB1964. but there's still a tremendous amount of fight in North Sydney
 GB1965. I mean || this this game they they they'll hang in there
 GB1966. this game could be decided again
 GB1967. well it won't be decided by goal kicking
 GB1968. because that field goal's made the difference
 GB1969. but it could be a five point result at the end
 GB1970. GH: yes it could
 GB1971. and er the goal-line drop out now about to be taken by Andrew Walker
 GB1972. and changes galore now for the Eastern Suburbs side
 GB1973. Hermansson coming back on
 GB1974. I can see the big fellow
 GB1975. as we see [[this kick put downfield]]
 GB1976. and it's gone way over the half-way line into the arms of Soden
 GB1977. he gives it straight back this time to Nigel Roy
 GB1978. he goes back towards the centre of the ground
 GB1979. picked up
 GB1980. and dumped like a bag of spuds at the markets by er Garlick
 GB1981. and he'll play it once again now
 GB1982. and it goes across this time to Steve Trindall
 GB1983. Trindall up the centre of the ground thirty out now from the Roosters' line
 GB1984. I would like to see a North Sydney try under the posts [[with a kick to come]]
 GB1985. that'd put the er cat among the pigeons
 GB1986. as we see Michael Buettner pulled down
 GB1987. getting up || to play it once again
 GB1988. gone across this time
 GB1989. out wide it goes to Taylor
 GB1990. Taylor once again a long pass over to Ben Ikin
 GB1991. Ikin comes back inside one or two
 GB1992. and he's pulled down twelve metres away from the Roosters' line
 GB1993. up || to quickly play it once again
 GB1994. it goes across this time to David Fairleigh big and strong
 GB1995. bounces off one
 GB1996. heads for the Eastern Suburbs line

GB1997.he's only about two metres out from it
 GB1998.getting up || to play it
 GB1999.back it goes
 GB2000.a long pass to Billy Moore
 GB2001.his pass goes astray up over the touch-line on the far side
 GB2002.no way in the world Junce could get to that fot... to er the er winger could get the that ball in
 Nigel Roy
 GB2003.and er now it's James Smith
 GB2004.running it out for the Eastern Suburbs side
 GB2005.as we go to the sideline for the *Family Car Centre* to Tony Peters
 GB2006.TP: very uncharacteristic North Sydney today
 GB2007.they get inside the opposition's quarterline
 GB2008.and they seem to be panicking
 GB2009.and throwing very silly passes
 GB2010.they're normally business-like inside the opposition's quarterline
 GB2011.they put sides away
 GB2012.they're doing [[what the coach said at half-time not to do]]
 GB2013.they're panicking
 GB2014.GH: they certainly are
 GB2015.Adrian Lam now
 GB2016.they've had opportunity after opportunity [[to er score the tries]]
 GB2017.and they can't finish off
 GB2018. Matt Sing in possession for the Roosters
 GB2019.down the centre he goes
 GB2020.Gary Larson up || to nail him
 GB2021.will play it now thirty-five metres out from the Roosters' line to Garlick
 GB2022.out it goes to Paul Dunn
 GB2023.Dunn shapes up
 GB2024.going forward too
 GB2025.the referee now has...
 GB2026.what's he done here Roy?
 GB2027.I didn't see a knock-on or anything
 GB2028.he said || it was a forward pass now
 GB2029.touch-judges picked that one up
 GB2030.a scrum'll go down thirty-five out now from the Roosters' goal-line
 GB2031.as we head around the grounds for *Strathfield Car Radios* to Geoff Dunn
 GB2032.GD: four minutes to play in the first-half
 GB2033.Manly eighteen Parramatta nil
 GB2034.GH: Steve Mascord
 GB2035.SM: St. George twenty Penrith nil
 GB2036.GH: Danny Wildler
 GB2037.DW: Illawarra fourteen the Western Reds thirteen
 GB2038.GH: Peter Newlands
 GB2039.PN: North Queensland twenty Western Suburbs sixteen
 GB2040.GH: and Michael Ritchie
 GB2041.MR: yeah South Sydney thirty-two Crushers twelve
 GB2042.er Tyran Smith has just been er sin-binned for a professional foul for ten minutes
 GB2043.GH: and you've missed none of the action
 GB2044.that scrum just being fed by Jason Taylor for the Bears
 GB2045.picks it up
 GB2046.runs on his own towards the centre of the ground
 GB2047.thirty metres out now from the Roosters' goal-line
 GB2048.Carwana serves one up to Billy Moore
 GB2049.Billy Moore er comes in contact that time with um a couple of the Eastern Suburbs players
 GB2050.but the pass had gone back to Dallas
 GB2051.the referee said || play on
 GB2052.thought that could've been a pinch
 GB2053.after being called upon || to play it
 GB2054.but obviously Ward didn't do that
 GB2055.so he plays it to Carwana
 GB2056.out it goes to Jason Taylor
 GB2057.a long ball
 GB2058.it goes wide out to David Fairleigh

GB2059. Fairleigh steps inside still two metres short of the Eastern Suburbs' goal-line
 GB2060. Ben Ikin's the dummy half
 GB2061. he's gunna fire it across once again to Caruana
 GB2062. out it went to Mattie Seers
 GB2063. across now to Gary Larson
 GB2064. Larson turns it back to Florimo
 GB2065. fends off one
 GB2066. fends off a second one
 GB2067. the gates have opened
 GB2068. still going downfield
 GB2069. no-one to offload that time
 GB2070. as he hits the deck still eight metres out from the Roosters' line
 GB2071. Caruana at the back of the ruck
 GB2072. sends it across to Trindall
 GB2073. good ball out now into the arms of Wilson
 GB2074. a little chip in there
 GB2075. and it's taken out the back door very quickly that time by Peter Jorgensen
 GB2076. so the heat still being applied by the North Sydney Bears
 GB2077. RM: both sides are playing the big men out in the backs
 GB2078. we've seen [[Fairleigh spend a tremendous amount of time out there]]
 GB2079. Billy Moore has too
 GB2080. but not with the same amount of success
 GB2081. Fairleigh's been pulled down just inches short of the line
 GB2082. sort of almost a... a game in the second-half [[which is a carbon copy of Eastern Suburbs' tactics in
 the first-half [[of playing er Iro so wide]]]
 GB2083. GH: well we've got trainers on there galore
 GB2084. no football
 GB2085. they're just mucking around
 GB2086. as we head now to Tony Peters on the sideline for the *Family Car Centre*
 GB2087. this is a joke with these trainers
 GB2088. TP: well er trainers aside Greg I I tell you what || Sydney City are very good at milking this
 clock down
 GB2089. they're doing a good job
 GB2090. they're having problems with their replacements
 GB2091. and they seem to be bringing players backwards and forwards
 GB2092. players aren't even going off the field
 GB2093. Terry Hermansson hardly came on
 GB2094. before he went back off again
 GB2095. so obviously Sydney City very mindful of the clock already Greg
 GB2096. GH: yes they are
 GB2097. and I tell you what || there could be a report fired in about this too
 GB2098. because it's just not on these delaying tactics like this
 GB2099. it's gone across now to Larson
 GB2100. Larson going forward too
 GB2101. a strong run from him
 GB2102. still haven't put him on the deck
 GB2103. he's still going forward and across side er sideways too
 GB2104. but eventually Iro finishes him off
 GB2105. sheer weight there with er Logan on the top too
 GB2106. back it goes to Craig Wilson
 GB2107. Wilson's pass to Caruana has gone astray
 GB2108. picked up by Florimo
 GB2109. but the referee says || that is a changeover of possession no doubt in the world about that
 GB2110. or is he going to put a scrum down
 GB2111. he is about twelve metres out now from the Eastern Suburbs' goal-line
 GB2112. as we head around the grounds for *Strathfield Car Radios* to Geoffrey Dunn
 GB2113. GD: a minute before half-time Manly eighteen Parramatta nil
 GB2114. GH: Steve Mascord
 GB2115. SM: St. George twenty Penrith nil
 GB2116. GH: Danny Wildler
 GB2117. DW: Illawarra fourteen the Western Reds thirteen
 GB2118. GH: Peter Newlands
 GB2119. PN: North Queensland twenty-six Wests sixteen

GB2120. GH: and Michael Ritchie
 GB2121. MR: yeah South Sydney thirty-two Crushers twelve
 GB2122. GH: and again the referee calling out a couple of these big prop forwards
 GB2123. he's not happy at all with the scrummaging this afternoon
 GB2124. and the scrum has broken up
 GB2125. and he's called them in
 GB2126. he's called Dunn in
 GB2127. and he's got Craig Wilson in there too
 GB2128. also having a talk along with the hookers
 GB2129. Sean Garlick's gone over there as skipper
 GB2130. so he is not impressed one bit with these scrums this afternoon
 GB2131. Caruana hasn't even got his melon in the scrum this time
 GB2132. as we see [[Adrian Lam feed for Eastern Suburbs]]
 GB2133. straight out now to Jorgensen
 GB2134. Jorgensen trying to get out wide of Michael Buettnier
 GB2135. and he manages to do it
 GB2136. and he finds a hole in the North Sydney defence
 GB2137. as he off-loads beautifully out to Sing
 GB2138. Matt Sing takes off
 GB2139. Mattie Seers takes him on
 GB2140. he's gunna turn the ball back inside
 GB2141. it's Junee
 GB2142. Junee's gunna score [[what can only be described as]] a super super try from the Sydney City
 Roosters
 GB2143. and I feel sure Roy Masters || that has dead-set drilled the nail in the coffin
 GB2144. RM: yeah they can't come back from here || I wouldn't think
 GB2145. ah there's twenty ah ... twenty-two minutes left on the clock
 GB2146. but I can't see || that they could not with the margin now [[that's grown er from er by eleven er to
 another fifteen er sixteen points]]
 GB2147. that set straight from the scrum
 GB2148. it was a straight flanking movement
 GB2149. the ball went right out er to er to Junee
 GB2150. er he backed er Jorgensen
 GB2151. Junee backed up in the inside
 GB2152. it was just a race down the sideline
 GB2153. Sing and Junee
 GB2154. and of course er it looked for a period of time there
 GB2155. as though Sing was going to score the try all on his own
 GB2156. but er the cover defence forced him [[to throw the ball infield er to Junee]]
 GB2157. and er he dived over just just right in the corner near the post
 GB2158. GH: yes a terrific try Matt Sing
 GB2159. er he had the ball in one arm
 GB2160. then he changed arms
 GB2161. a great athlete
 GB2162. running at that speed
 GB2163. being able to do or have those skills
 GB2164. changing the ball
 GB2165. and to his credit Junee was right there on the inside
 GB2166. I mean || the wind's blowing even
 GB2167. it was only a short little pass
 GB2168. but very effective
 GB2169. it hit the target beautifully
 GB2170. and then it was just up to Junee
 GB2171. to actually finish off that try
 GB2172. and it was an absolute beauty
 GB2173. so Ivan Cleary now attempting a shot from twenty metres out on the touch-line
 GB2174. as we quickly go around the grounds for *Strathfield Car Radios* to Geoff Dunn
 GB2175. GD: half-time at Brookvale
 GB2176. Manly eighteen Parramatta nil
 GB2177. GH: Steve Mascord
 GB2178. SM: St. George twenty-four Penrith nil
 GB2179. St. George kick to come
 GB2180. GH: Danny Wildler

GB2181.DW: Illawarra fourteen the Western Reds thirteen
 GB2182.as this game overheats
 GB2183.GH: okay overheats
 GB2184.Peter Newlands
 GB2185.PN: North Queensland twenty-six Western Suburbs sixteen
 GB2186.GH: and Michael Ritchie
 GB2187.MR: yeah South Sydney er thirty-six Crushers twelve
 GB2188.South Sydney with a kick to come
 GB2189.GH: gee whiz
 GB2190.okay they're doing a job on that mob the old Rabbitohs
 GB2191.and good luck to them too
 GB2192.they've been copping plenty in the er in the last couple of seasons
 GB2193.and they're finally putting some points on the board much to my pleasure Roy
 GB2194.RM: yeah well mate er it's er it seems || as though that the the club South Sydney the the players
 there are showing a lot of er er of indicating of giving a vote of confidence to their coach Ken Shine
 GB2195.he he now looks as though he's the [...] for the job
 GB2196.GH: yep
 GB2197.RM: ah he's taken more responsibility
 GB2198.since Alan Jones has left to go to Atlanta
 GB2199.and so they're giving him more responsibility
 GB2200.and the players seem to be responding
 GB2201.GH: and that kick was unsuccessful
 GB2202.so the score remains twenty-eight points um to thirteen in favour of the Eastern Suburbs side over
 the North Sydney Bears on the *Global Self Storage Scoreboard*
 GB2203.as we go now to the centre of the half-way line once again || to get this underway off the boot of
 Jason Taylor
 GB2204.and Taylor gets another long kick downfield straight into the arms this time of James Smith
 GB2205.back on for Eastern Suburbs
 GB2206.as I said || the changes are coming thick and fast here
 GB2207.now Eastern Suburbs just soaking up as much time
 GB2208.they might slow that tactic down now
 GB2209.'cause they don't need it
 GB2210.as Paul Dunn goes forward too
 GB2211.he's gunna be taken by Caruana and Weston back on for the North Sydney side thirty metres out
 from the Roosters' line
 GB2212.a slow play-the-ball this time
 GB2213.but it goes back to Garlick
 GB2214.across this time to Logan
 GB2215.Logan tries to go downfield
 GB2216.he's picked up six metres or so
 GB2217.before Larson finished him off over the top
 GB2218.back to Garlick
 GB2219.gives it across to Dunn
 GB2220.Dunn has a look for Iro
 GB2221.Iro running wide again
 GB2222.back to Jorgensen
 GB2223.who hurdles one or two
 GB2224.as they hit the deck
 GB2225.but he's taken well and truly by Dallas on the half-way line
 GB2226.up || to play it
 GB2227.back to Garlick
 GB2228.Fittler calls for the football
 GB2229.and he's gunna put it to air
 GB2230.and he does with a long kick downfield up over the head of Nigel Roy
 GB2231.awkward bounce for him straight over in front of the Optus Cup sign
 GB2232.as we head down now to Tony Peters on the sideline for the *Family Car Centre*
 GB2233.TP: gee this is a very professional performance by Sydney City
 GB2234.they...to knock over North Sydney at Bear Park
 GB2235.the Bears unbeaten here this year
 GB2236.they really are a genuine premiership threat
 GB2237.when you consider || they knocked off the Brisbane Broncos on Monday
 GB2238.soon after another heavy weight side North Sydney today
 GB2239.and they've done it in style

GB2240. but I can't get over this genuine weakness [[that North Sydney seem to have on a certain side of the field]]

GB2241. it was exposed again in that last try

GB2242. GH: yes it was

GB2243. twenty-eight to thirteen in favour of Sydney City over the North Sydney Bears

GB2244. again this scrum going down

GB2245. a heck of a long time for Ward

GB2246. he's working on these overtime

GB2247. I don't know why

GB2248. it's gunna be the same result

GB2249. picked up this time by um Nigel Roy at the back of the scrum

GB2250. he's immediately put down over the top by Logan

GB2251. back it goes now into the arms of Billy Moore

GB2252. Billy Moore going downfield

GB2253. he runs into some er Easter Suburbs traffic in Fittler and company

GB2254. and put down twenty-six metres out from the Bears' line

GB2255. Caruana serves it up for Weston

GB2256. Weston straightens up the attack

GB2257. a nice shoulder charge too from James Smith

GB2258. finished off by Garlick and Logan

GB2259. Caruana across to Florimo

GB2260. gives it out to Billy Moore

GB2261. across to Jason Taylor

GB2262. he finds Craig Wilson

GB2263. who gives it to Ben Ikin

GB2264. still can't break the defence of Matt Sing out wide

GB2265. and he's dropped just about two metres over the half-way line in Eastern Suburbs' territory

GB2266. now Jason Taylor serves a long one up

GB2267. this time from Fairleigh

GB2268. out it goes to Moore

GB2269. Moore flicks it back infield

GB2270. but a penalty

GB2271. well the ball had gone across four five sets of hands Roy

GB2272. RM: yep

GB2273. GH: and he's come across

GB2274. and give a penalty

GB2275. RM: mate he he could've allowed advantage play

GB2276. he stuck quite a good ball away too Billy Moore

GB2277. I don't know why

GB2278. GH: [he did]

GB2279. RM: I don't know || why the referee blew the whistle then

GB2280. un er I mean e. e.. he warn... he could've warned them

GB2281. he warned them

GB2282. but obviously in the final analysis << >> it was far too late for anybody

GB2283. <<when he did blow the whistle>>

GB2284. GH: it certainly was

GB2285. and er gees you can't have your cake

GB2286. and eat it too Eddie

GB2287. I tried it

GB2288. back it goes to Caruana

GB2289. across to Larson

GB2290. Larson straightens up the attack

GB2291. again he's under er the tackle of Paul Dunn

GB2292. will play it now well and truly inside the quarter areas Eastern Suburbs' end of the ground

GB2293. is there a try left in the Bears

GB2294. it goes to Taylor

GB2295. a switch play once again to Craig Wilson

GB2296. he serves it back to David Fairleigh

GB2297. Fairleigh looked back once again || to off-load it

GB2298. Ben Ikin overran the football

GB2299. so he's committed to the tackle

GB2300. with Taylor now

GB2301. across this time to um Michael Buettner

GB2302.turned it back to Florimo
 GB2303.and there is a try in the Bears
 GB2304.and it's by Florimo
 GB2305.and it's right under the black dot
 GB2306.so they've hit back now
 GB2307.a very very good try
 GB2308.and it was beautifully put on too
 GB2309.no support in the early part of that raid up there with the six tackles
 GB2310.when er we saw [[the big fellow David Fairleigh look back || to off load]]
 GB2311.but at least it went out wide
 GB2312.and consequently they've come up with a four pointer
 GB2313.RM: well mate it was a result of a beautiful turn back in by er by Buettner
 GB2314. [[Buettner ... what has hap...what had been happening up until that point in time]] is [[that North Sydney had just been moving the ball mainly to the left-hand side of the field and mainly with er big David Fairleigh in the back line]]
 GB2315.ah it had been coming to nothing
 GB2316.because the er Eastern Suburbs sliding defence was able to get over there in time
 GB2317.so then they decided
 GB2318.that they'd hit the right-hand side of the field
 GB2319.again the defence started to slide
 GB2320.so Buettner qui...quite cleverly called the ball back in to Florimo
 GB2321.who er chopped in ah right behind the feet of the sliding defence
 GB2322.and was able to run around between the posts
 GB2323.and score
 GB2324.so of course this makes it er with this conversion attempt << << >> >> an automatic automatic [...?...] achievement
 GB2325.<<which has been successful <<need I say>> right in front of the posts>>
 GB2326.the score is now twenty-eight to nineteen
 GB2327.and er the er North Sydney are a remote chance
 GB2328.GH: yes they are
 GB2329.they're coming back
 GB2330.that'll lift their confidence no doubt in the world about that
 GB2331.and that score of twenty-eight to nineteen on the *Global Self Storage Scoreboard*
 GB2332.as we head around the grounds for *Strathfield Car Radios* once again to Geoffrey Dunn
 GB2333.GD: half-time at Brookvale
 GB2334.Manly eighteen Parramatta nil
 GB2335.GH: okay eighteen nil
 GB2336.gcc shades of old
 GB2337.Steve Mascord
 GB2338.SM: St. George twenty-six Penrith six
 GB2339.GH: Danny Wildler
 GB2340.DW: Illawarra fourteen leading the Western Reds thirteen
 GB2341.and Greg this game is threatening to explode into something pretty nasty
 GB2342.we've already seen a couple of near things
 GB2343.with Mark Geyer er running at one point about ten metres || to deck Neil Piccinelli
 GB2344.he hit him around the shoulders um... er in response to a a tackle from Piccinelli on Cameron Blair
 GB2345.Blair took out a player [[who didn't have the ball]]
 GB2346.and Ian Parnaby really has to do something about this game
 GB2347.or there could be some real trouble
 GB2348.GH: yeah well I thought he was a new man
 GB2349.med....er Peter Newlands
 GB2350.PN: yes right here ah Greg
 GB2351.twenty-eight to Western Suburbs twenty six to North Queensland
 GB2352.GH: and Michael Ritchie
 GB2353.MR: yeah South Sydney er doing it fairly comfortably here
 GB2354.er sixteen minutes to go in the second-half
 GB2355.South Sydney thirty-eight Crushers twelve
 GB2356.GH: and twenty-eight to nineteen in favour of um.. Sydney City over North Sydney on the *Global Self Storage Scoreboard*
 GB2357.and this game's starting to hot up
 GB2358.it is an absolute beauty
 GB2359.now it's gone across to Gary Larson

GB2360.the Bears need to post another one up there very quickly
 GB2361.as Larson goes forward
 GB2362.pulled down by Garlick
 GB2363.up || to play it once again to Soden
 GB2364.now he sends it across to Billy Moore
 GB2365.it finds Jason Taylor
 GB2366.good hands once again to David Fairleigh
 GB2367.Fairleigh showed it to Ikin
 GB2368.tried to call him back on the inside
 GB2369.but er couldn't get his pass away
 GB2370.he quickly plays it
 GB2371.gone back to Ikin now
 GB2372.ordinary play-the-ball || I'm here to tell you
 GB2373.Jason Taylor got a hurried kick in
 GB2374.beautifully picked up by Junece
 GB2375.great skills
 GB2376.great anticipation of the football
 GB2377.it was along the deck
 GB2378.and an awkward bounce
 GB2379.but er he did well to take that one
 GB2380.and is immediately put down by Weston
 GB2381.it goes across this time to Cleary
 GB2382.Cleary charging forward too
 GB2383.as he's wrapped up now just inside the Rooster's twenty
 GB2384.and we'll head down now to Tony Peters for the *Family Car Centre*
 GB2385.TP: well I guess || the important point now is [[can North Sydney keep their composure ||
 GB2386.and put enough pressure on Sydney City [[to come back into this game]] ||
 GB2387.I still have concerns about them inside the opposition's quarterline
 GB2388.I haven't seen [[North Sydney panic like this]] for some time
 GB2389.but that's full credit to Sydney City's offence
 GB2390.they're forcing it
 GB2391.GH: they certainly are
 GB2392.they've been in their face all day
 GB2393.as I say || with Freddie Fittler's kick downfield
 GB2394.and it's going to go right across to the wing of Nigel Roy
 GB2395.will find touch too five metres out now from the North Sydney goal-line
 GB2396.both sides great kicking skills Roy
 GB2397.RM: oh look ... this is... I I went to that rugby game last night that game between the
 Springboks and the Australians
 GB2398.the rah rahs are supposed to be good kickers
 GB2399.but they can't any er... there'd be no way in the world [[they could approximate the pin-point
 accuracy of this particular game]]
 GB2400.as far as the kicking is concerned
 GB2401.last night it was hurried
 GB2402.it was rushed
 GB2403.it was almost panicky
 GB2404.this time...there's a tremendous amount of precision about it
 GB2405.GH: as we head around the grounds for *Strathfield Car Radios* to Geoff Dunn
 GB2406.GD: still half-time here at Brookvale
 GB2407.Manly eighteen Parramatta nil
 GB2408.GH: how long before they're on the ground Geoffrey?
 GB2409.GD: er a couple of minutes
 GB2410.GH: okay Steve Mascord
 GB2411.SM: St. George twenty-six Penrith six
 GB2412.GH: Danny Wildler
 GB2413.DW: Illawarra fourteen the Western Reds thirteen
 GB2414.GH: Peter Newlands
 GB2415.PN: Western Suburbs twenty-eight North Queensland twenty-six
 GB2416.GH: Michael Ritchie
 GB2417.MR: Souths thirty-eight Crushers twelve
 GB2418.GH: and North Sydney in possession now
 GB2419.a long ball across to Craig Wilson
 GB2420.can't get outside of Fittler's tackle

GB2421.and he's pulled down now thirty metres out from the Bears' line
 GB2422.plays it back to Fairleigh
 GB2423.good pass once again to Gary Larson
 GB2424.geez he does some hard stuff up the centre hard yards
 GB2425.and er eventually he's knocked down by Hermansson on now for the Sydney City Roosters
 GB2426.as er Jason Taylor serves it up to Michael Buettner
 GB2427.back inside to Florimo
 GB2428.starting to air the football a little bit more the Bears now
 GB2429.Mattie Seers races to the dummy half
 GB2430.[...?...] gives it out to Jason Taylor
 GB2431.Taylor put the dummy on
 GB2432.got it back this time to Soden
 GB2433.Soden tried to hold it up for Weston
 GB2434.but they've gone to ground
 GB2435.with one left to go
 GB2436.forty metres out from the Easts' line
 GB2437.gone once again to Jason Taylor
 GB2438.no kick
 GB2439.a long pass once again to Fairleigh
 GB2440.Fairleigh puts another kick on
 GB2441.it's gone past er Junce
 GB2442.beautiful skills again
 GB2443.he's picked it up
 GB2444.his pass is ordinary back to Ivan Cleary
 GB2445.Cleary picks up the dregs
 GB2446.and David Fairleigh just followed the kick through
 GB2447.and he's just given it to er Cleary about four out from his own goal-line
 GB2448.Junee from the back of the ruck the only one back there along with little Adrian Lam || to run it out
 GB2449.but he's going to be taken over the top by Gary Larson fifteen out now from the Eastern Suburbs goal-line
 GB2450.as Lam gives a good ball across to Jas...to er Lowrie
 GB2451.and Lowrie's gunna be picked up
 GB2452.and strong defence from the North Sydney Bears
 GB2453.they put him down just outside the er ten metre line
 GB2454.gone across to Garlick
 GB2455.he sends it out once again this time to Hermansson
 GB2456.and he's wrapped up beautifully
 GB2457.up || to quickly play-the-ball
 GB2458.gone across to Lam
 GB2459.oh Lam's put it down
 GB2460.dived on very very quickly by Logan
 GB2461.but the referee says || it's been knocked-on
 GB2462.so the Bears, they're gunna have a scrum
 GB2463.it's just outside
 GB2464.well it's just on the twenty metre line Norths the...er.. Eastern Suburbs' end of the ground
 GB2465.and this could be er a real good thing for the Bears
 GB2466.RM: mate it's twelve point er twelve er minutes [[to go in the game]]
 GB2467.they are down by er by nine points
 GB2468.they score a try here
 GB2469.it puts them six
 GB2470.it puts them er... it puts them only three behind
 GB2471.they are... they are ... they must score <<I would say>> within this set of six
 GB2472.GH: yes they'll have to
 GB2473.well this scrum about to go down
 GB2474.to be fed by Jason Taylor
 GB2475.Taylor out to Buettner
 GB2476.Buettner a long ball to Florimo
 GB2477.turns it back to Buettner on the three-sixty
 GB2478.as it goes to Ikin
 GB2479.Ikin comes inside one || to get a score
 GB2480.Norths have scored out wide
 GB2481.oh Roy's predicted it

GB2482. they had to do it in the next couple of minutes
 GB2483. and the Bears have gone over for a try
 GB2484. a very very good try too || I might add
 GB2485. RM: it was a try
 GB2486. that began with a lot of clever deception in the back line
 GB2487. there were two decoy runners
 GB2488. that came running straight towards the posts off the five-eighth
 GB2489. the ball went behind the back of them
 GB2490. you don't normally see that
 GB2491. you normally see with decoys [[they are only one or decoy runner particularly in a back line
 situation || where you've got seven on seven]]
 GB2492. but they used up two men as decoys
 GB2493. which which drew the defence infield
 GB2494. gave the outside centre an an unmarked run for the for ... across
 GB2495. and he was able to put up ... put the winger through for a try
 GB2496. et to some extent it redeemed the work for Nigel Roy
 GB2497. who earlier had let the opposition in on his side of the field
 GB2498. anyway the three tries...
 GB2499. there's been some redemption for him
 GB2500. GH: there has
 GB2501. now Jason Taylor with the kick
 GB2502. very important kick this one
 GB2503. twenty-eight to twenty-three on the *Global Self Storage Scoreboard* still in favour of Sydney
 City
 GB2504. this has been a thriller diller this afternoon
 GB2505. now Jason Taylor is nearly on the t-bar about a yard in
 GB2506. difficult to er ascertain the actual distance from the touch-line at this angle
 GB2507. but er I'd say || a metre in
 GB2508. and just outside the twenty-metre line
 GB2509. all I can do is [[look at these touch-judges' flags here]]
 GB2510. as the ball's up
 GB2511. what about the flags boys?
 GB2512. He's got em up
 GB2513. he's got em up
 GB2514. so it is now twenty-eight twenty-five in favour of Sydney City over the North Sydney Bears on
 the *Global Self Storage Scoreboard*
 GB2515. and we're going to Tony Peters for the *Family Car Centre* on the sideline
 GB2516. this is a real thriller
 GB2517. TP: he's a freak
 GB2518. he is a dead-set freak
 GB2519. he kicked it into a Southerly gustily wind
 GB2520. and he put it straight over the black dot
 GB2521. North Sydney are right back in this match
 GB2522. why weren't they playing the same sort of football earlier on
 GB2523. instead of panicking inside the quarterline
 GB2524. a beautiful set piece
 GB2525. great try
 GB2526. GH: okay and er the game now underway once again
 GB2527. back to Soden
 GB2528. Soden gives it to Larson
 GB2529. Larson now goes up the centre of the ground
 GB2530. to be put down twelve metres out now from the North Sydney goal-line
 GB2531. it's hotted up now
 GB2532. back it goes to Soden
 GB2533. Soden gives it to Trindall
 GB2534. the big men now taking charge of this game down the centre of the ground
 GB2535. the crowd's booing about the ten metres
 GB2536. Billy Moore oh ticker Billy Moore straight up outside of his own twenty
 GB2537. he's twenty-four twenty-five out from the Bears' line
 GB2538. up || to play it
 GB2539. back to Larson
 GB2540. sends it across to Gary Larson
 GB2541. nice tackle over the top that time by the Eastern Suburbs defence in Lowrie

GB2542.back it goes to Soden
 GB2543.Soden steps one
 GB2544.tries to get around Sean Garlick's tackle
 GB2545.but he's pulled down thirty-five out from the Bears' line
 GB2546.Caruana
 GB2547.straight back to the little master with the boot
 GB2548.and I know || it's a lot of er boots to fill there
 GB2549.calling him the little master
 GB2550.but gee his kicking skills are brilliant
 GB2551.as he puts it down now
 GB2552.Cleary picks it up
 GB2553.heads back down the centre of the ground || to be thirty metres out from the Roosters' line
 GB2554.Walker at dummy half
 GB2555.sends it inside to Matt Sing
 GB2556.Sing aims up very strongly
 GB2557.Taylor got up there with Caruana the little man for the Bears
 GB2558.strong defence that time
 GB2559.back to Garlick again
 GB2560.sends it out this time into the arms of James Smith
 GB2561.he'll get up || to play the football
 GB2562.if they get off him
 GB2563.back it goes across this time to Logan
 GB2564.Logan straightens up the attack
 GB2565.carts the leather up over the halfway line
 GB2566.before he's knocked to the ground
 GB2567.will play it once again
 GB2568.Garlick saying || come on || let's have a quick play-the-ball
 GB2569.Fittler's call for it too
 GB2570.tries to link up with Lam
 GB2571.comes across field
 GB2572.turns it back inside to Peter Clark in a scissors movement
 GB2573.nicely taken too around the legs by David Fairleigh and Caruana
 GB2574.it's played to Lam
 GB2575.back it goes to Fittler
 GB2576.he puts the ball to air
 GB2577.they're all on-side
 GB2578.Ward's had another good look
 GB2579.Iro's knocked it back
 GB2580.oh Walker
 GB2581.Walker gives it out to Sing
 GB2582.oh no it's a penalty kick
 GB2583.well they've gone over || to score a try
 GB2584.he's called them back
 GB2585.and now he's gunna give a
 GB2586.well he's put his arm up to Eastern Suburbs
 GB2587.Roy sort this one out for me
 GB2588.RM: mate he had his hand up
 GB2589.I've got to give the referee his due there
 GB2590.he had he's had his hand up about er about thirty seconds
 GB2591.before Eastern Suburbs went over the went over for that try
 GB2592.it the the try <<I believe>> would've been stopped earlier
 GB2593.because the North Sydney players were fully aware of the penalty
 GB2594.so they... Eastern Suburbs've got a kick right in front as a result of that obstruction
 GB2595.GH: okay er and er we'll go around the grounds for *Strathfield Car Radios* once again
 GB2596.while this kick's taking place
 GB2597.Geoffrey Dunn
 GB2598.GD: we've got four minutes into the second-half
 GB2599.Manly lead twenty-four Parramatta nil
 GB2600.GH: Steve Mascord
 GB2601.SM: St. George thirty-two Penrith six
 GB2602.GH: Danny Wildler
 GB2603.DW: Illawarra eighteen the Western Reds thirteen
 GB2604.GH: has it settled down

GB2605.DW: yeah a little bit
 GB2606.it's it's cooled down a little bit
 GB2607.but not much
 GB2608.GH: Peter Newlands
 GB2609.PN: Western Suburbs thirty-four North Queensland twenty-six
 GB2610.GH: Michael Ritchie
 GB2611.MR: yeah the Crushers playing with eleven men
 GB2612.er South Sydney forty-four Crushers twelve
 GB2613.GH: Ivan Cleary << as we've pointed out >> has a shot of a penalty twelve metres out in front
 GB2614.and Michael Ostini is now on the ground for the er Sydney City Roosters Michael Ostini
 GB2615.I haven't seen him before
 GB2616.big lump of a bloke too
 GB2617.and er er Gus must have a very high opinion of him
 GB2618.to give him a start in this match
 GB2619.because it's so important at the moment
 GB2620.twenty-eight to twenty-five in favour of Sydney City
 GB2621.what's it gonna be
 GB2622.the flags go up
 GB2623.so it's thirty points to twenty-five in favour of Sydney City over the North Sydney Bears on the
 Global Self Storage Scoreboard
 GB2624.as we head now to Tony Peters for the *Family Car Centre* on the sideline
 GB2625.TP: well with respect to Eddie Ward
 GB2626.that was a bonehead of a decision
 GB2627.that's that's spoiling [[what's been a sensational game of football today]]
 GB2628.unfortunately it's gonna be very costly for North Sydney
 GB2629.just on Michael Ostini
 GB2630.former St. Gregory's Campbelltown Schoolboys Commonwealth Bank Cup Australian er
 Schoolboys captain
 GB2631.GH: I thought || you'd know that there Scoop
 GB2632.okay in possession of the football
 GB2633.getting up || to play it
 GB2634.Lowrie
 GB2635.back to Garlick
 GB2636.gives it across this time to James Smith
 GB2637.he aims up too
 GB2638.Carwana up || to greet him
 GB2639.just outside now the quarter area Eastern Suburbs into the ground
 GB2640.Garlick once again
 GB2641.nice ball across to Scott Logan
 GB2642.Logan going to be wrapped up this time by Trindall
 GB2643.and eventually he's knocked to the ground
 GB2644.he'll get up || to play-the-ball
 GB2645.and it goes across this time into the arms of er a couple of players [[going through there]]
 GB2646.but [[first man to it that time]] was Iro
 GB2647.he'll play it quickly back to Garlick
 GB2648.Garlick sends it across to Lam
 GB2649.Lam has a look for Lowrie
 GB2650.Lowrie holds the ball up once again for James Smith
 GB2651.still can't break the North Sydney defence
 GB2652.they've got one left [[to go]]
 GB2653.they're forty metres out from their own goal-line the Roosters
 GB2654.Fittler again calling for the football
 GB2655.and there it is
 GB2656.grubber kick this time
 GB2657.not a high kick
 GB2658.bouncing awkwardly
 GB2659.but Seers takes it ten metres out from his own line
 GB2660.heads up over the twenty
 GB2661.tries to step Sing War... and Walker
 GB2662.but Walker came at him very nicely around the legs || to pull him down
 GB2663.plays it back now
 GB2664.goes across to Nigel Roy
 GB2665.a long ball this time out to Florimo

GB2666. Florimo stops
 GB2667. tries to get around one
 GB2668. Ostini comes at him
 GB2669. eventually going to pull him down twenty-four metres out now from the Bears' line
 GB2670. as he plays it back now to Mark Soden
 GB2671. Soden looking for one or two
 GB2672. Billy Moore once there again
 GB2673. take that first or second receiver
 GB2674. he's taken over the top by Iro
 GB2675. after gaining ten metres
 GB2676. back it goes now to Buettner
 GB2677. good ball
 GB2678. across it goes this time to Caruana
 GB2679. out to David Fairleigh
 GB2680. Fairleigh can't get his arms free this time
 GB2681. as he's gonna be eventually knocked to the ground
 GB2682. will play it eight short of the half-way line
 GB2683. still back in Bears' territory
 GB2684. he's hurt himself the big fellow
 GB2685. he'll struggle to his feet || to play this one
 GB2686. which he does
 GB2687. hurt himself
 GB2688. gone down again
 GB2689. Gary Larson holds the ball up for Taylor
 GB2690. well er Gary Larson um er er ... well I've come to his aid that time
 GB2691. there was a player between him
 GB2692. he tried to get the ball past Steve Trindall
 GB2693. Taylor reached out to grab it
 GB2694. there was no way in the world Roy [[he could've taken it]]
 GB2695. as time is blown off
 GB2696. and Wood goes across || to see || what's wrong with David Fairleigh
 GB2697. RM: and er the moment that pass thrown
 GB2698. and er the...that Taylor knocked it on
 GB2699. the Eastern Suburbs players threw their hands up in the air
 GB2700. they er know now || that they're gonna get possession from the scrum
 GB2701. ten metres into the er North Sydney half
 GB2702. they know || that er with the with the big fellow injured || and and er the the clock stopping ||
 they can set themselves for this set of six || possibly score a try || and at least eat up the clock
 GB2703. GH: that's exactly [[what they'll try and do]]
 GB2704. and er with six tackles this scrum's gonna go down forty metres out from the line
 GB2705. the crowd here this afternoon sixteen thousand six hundred and ninety-five
 GB2706. a terrific crowd here this afternoon
 GB2707. as we quickly go around the grounds now to Geoffrey Dunn for *Strathfield Car Radios*
 GB2708. GD: Manly twenty-four Parramatta nil
 GB2709. GH: Steve Mascord
 GB2710. SM: St. George thirty-six Penrith six
 GB2711. GH: Danny Wildler
 GB2712. DW: Illawarra eighteen the Western Reds thirteen
 GB2713. GH: Peter Newlands
 GB2714. PN: Wests thirty-four North Queensland thirty-two
 GB2715. GH: ooh a closey there
 GB2716. we'll be crossing to you a little bit
 GB2717. Michael Ritchie
 GB2718. MR: South Sydney forty-eight Crushers twelve
 GB2719. GH: David David Fairleigh now leaving the football field
 GB2720. er a bit of a bump there
 GB2721. and er the medical staff want ||him to come off
 GB2722. and they'll have a look at him
 GB2723. okay this scrum going down
 GB2724. as I said || missed none of the action
 GB2725. these are the worst scrums [[I've seen in two in ...in...a decade]] Roy
 GB2726. RM: the referee was entitled to to blow a penalty then
 GB2727. ah Eastern Suburbs collapsed the only scru...the the their own scrum

GB2728.the they're delaying tactics here
 GB2729.GH: they certainly are
 GB2730.they win it now
 GB2731.it goes across to er Lam
 GB2732.out to Cleary
 GB2733.Cleary's picked up this time by Billy Moore
 GB2734.and er he was gunna pole-axe him
 GB2735.but er little Adrian Lam came to assistance
 GB2736.and held him up by the shorts
 GB2737.now Lowrie tries to put a bust on for the Roosters
 GB2738.he's twenty-eight metres out from the Bears' line
 GB2739.plays it back to Sean Garlick
 GB2740.gives it across to James Smith
 GB2741.he hunts up very well towards the er North Sydney twenty metre line
 GB2742.and eventually put down by four Bears Larson in particular
 GB2743.back it goes this time into the arms of er the big fellow Ostini
 GB2744.and he is a big lump of a bloke
 GB2745.he's twelve metres away once again from the Bears' line
 GB2746.quickly plays it back to Garlick
 GB2747.Freddie Fittler has a shot at a field goal
 GB2748.what's it gunna be
 GB2749.what's it gunna be Eddie
 GB2750.and he has
 GB2751.RM: nah nah nah
 GB2752.GH: waved it away
 GB2753.RM: no field goal nope
 GB2754.that of course field goal was all designed to at least ensure
 GB2755.that er they would get a draw
 GB2756.GH: yes and er again another time wasting situation
 GB2757.as Trindall for North Sydney runs it out on tackle one
 GB2758.twenty-eight out from his own line
 GB2759.back it goes to Soden
 GB2760.to Chris Caruana
 GB2761.Chris Caruana fends off one
 GB2762.got away from Ostini
 GB2763.picks up Dallas with plenty of pace
 GB2764.Dallas trying to get outside of Peter Clark's tackle
 GB2765.and he can't do that
 GB2766.also Jorgensen and er a few of the others over the top
 GB2767.defence paramount importance now
 GB2768.as Buettner gives it across this time to Jason Taylor
 GB2769.out to Wilson
 GB2770.Wilson this time it goes to Ben Ikin
 GB2771.done a juggling act
 GB2772.but managed to hang on to the football
 GB2773.he'll play it back to Craig Wilson
 GB2774.thrown his hands into the air
 GB2775.out now to Mattie Seers
 GB2776.across this time to Taylor
 GB2777.Jason Taylor keeps it alive

 GB2778.[break in transmission -change of cassette tape]
 GB2779.TAPE FOUR SIDE A

 GB2780.GH: and it's gone past this time Caruana into the arms of Dallas
 GB2781.waiting for [[the referee to blow it up]]
 GB2782.it's gone forward no doubt in the world about that
 GB2783.so er the sun coming across here
 GB2784.Eddie Ward's got his hand up
 GB2785.he's gunna put this scrum down now thirty metres out from the er Eastern Suburbs' goal-line
 GB2786.as we go around the grounds for *Strathfield Car Radios* once again to Geoff Dunn
 GB2787.GD: Manly twenty-four Parramatta nil
 GB2788.GH: Steve Mascord

GB2789.SM: St. George thirty-six Penrith six
 GB2790.GH: Danny Wildler
 GB2791.DW: Scott Wilson try for the Western Reds
 GB2792.the Western Reds nineteen are leading the Illawarra Steelers eighteen
 GB2793.GH: Peter Newlands
 GB2794.PN: Western Suburbs forty North Queensland thirty-two
 GB2795.GH: Michael Ritchie
 GB2796.MR: yeah two and a half minutes to go
 GB2797.South Sydney forty-eight Crushers twelve
 GB2798.GH: this scrum just going down
 GB2799.fed by Adrian Lam
 GB2800.he picks it up
 GB2801.tries to get around one or two
 GB2802.Dallas in from the wing || to knock him to ground
 GB2803.forty-eight out now from the Eastern Suburbs' line
 GB2804.it's with Jorgensen from the back of the ruck
 GB2805.going across field
 GB2806.and eventually picked up by Billy Moore
 GB2807.he'll play it eight short of the half-way line still back in Bear territory
 GB2808.out to Ostini
 GB2809.now straightens up the attack
 GB2810.ooh he is put away in a beautiful tackle by Chris Caruana right up around the rib cage
 GB2811.he felt that
 GB2812.now it's gone across this time to Dunn
 GB2813.turns it back once gain this time to Logan
 GB2814.he's put a good bust on down the centre of the ground
 GB2815.thirty out now from the Bears' goal-line
 GB2816.desperate to keep 'em out
 GB2817.Sean Garlick serves it up to Fittler
 GB2818.Fittler's put the big step on
 GB2819.and I'm here to tell you || it was a whopper
 GB2820.one left to go now to the Roosters
 GB2821.he'll play-the-ball
 GB2822.Garlick calling desperately for a ball carrier to come through
 GB2823.Walker takes it
 GB2824.back to Adrian Lam
 GB2825.he has a sho...or well er.. he had a grubber kick
 GB2826.and it went along the ground
 GB2827.dived on this time
 GB2828.but the referee said || that's the changeover of possession to the North Sydney Bears twenty metres
 out now from their goal-line
 GB2829.RM: with about one minute left to play
 GB2830.North Sydney are desperately trying to move that ball out of their own area
 GB2831.the fullback is er has run the ball up
 GB2832.I'd say || there's going to be a kick 'n' chase within the next four four tackles
 GB2833.because it's the only way [[they can even this score up || take the one point lead in this game]]
 GB2834.GH: yeah it's the only way
 GB2835.they'll need to put it on no doubt about that
 GB2836.Trindall getting to his feet
 GB2837.and looking for the ball carrier now
 GB2838.and it's gunna be Soden on his own
 GB2839.out to Craig Wilson
 GB2840.Wilson wants to run it
 GB2841.they're running out of tackles now
 GB2842.'cause there's only a couple left to go
 GB2843.they're on the halfway line
 GB2844.Soden serves it up to ... Taylor
 GB2845.he sends it across to Matt Seers
 GB2846.again they want to run it
 GB2847.the pass is a shocker to Florimo
 GB2848.picked up by Dallas
 GB2849.Clark comes up || to claim him
 GB2850.and he goes to ground still two metres on er the Bears' side of the half-way line

GB2851.as it goes to Florimo
 GB2852.across to Jason Taylor
 GB2853.again the long cut out pass
 GB2854.it's a beauty
 GB2855.out to Soden
 GB2856.Soden a long one once again this time to Nigel Roy
 GB2857.he comes back in
 GB2858.but the defence of Eastern Suburbs
 GB2859.RM: [there's the last
 GB2860.here's the last]
 GB2861.GH: is very strong
 GB2862.this is the last tackle
 GB2863.now we'll see || what happens
 GB2864.Jason Taylor the last throw of the dice tries to run the football
 GB2865.gets it up over the top
 GB2866.Eastern Suburbs'll come up with the football
 GB2867.and it's Adrian Lam diving on the football twenty-two metres out now from the Eastern Suburbs'
 goal-line
 GB2868.and he will now play the football
 GB2869.back it goes this time to Cleary
 GB2870.Cleary won't get his pass away
 GB2871.as he's knocked down
 GB2872.will get up || to play it very very slowly || I might add
 GB2873.RM: [there it is]
 GB2874.GH that's the end of the game
 GB2875.so Eastern Suburbs defeated North Sydney Bears by thirty to twenty-five on the *Global Self*
Storage Scoreboard
 GB2876.as we head down now to Tony Peters for the *Family Car Centre* on the sideline
 GB2877.TP: I tell you what Greg
 GB2878.if that's an appetiser [[for what we're going to get in September]]
 GB2879.we're in for a real treat
 GB2880.that was a high quality game of football
 GB2881.a lot more points [[than we expected || to be scored today]]
 GB2882.fifty-five points
 GB2883.nine tries in all
 GB2884.an outstanding game of football
 GB2885.and roll on September
 GB2886.GH: you're not wrong
 GB2887.absolutely sensational
 GB2888.around the grounds now for *Strathfield Car Radios* to Geoff Dunn
 GB2889.GD: Manly have just scored
 GB2890.Manly twenty-eight Parramatta nil
 GB2891.kick to come
 GB2892.GH: that's a routing
 GB2893.Steve Mascord
 GB2894.SM: St. George thirty-six Penrith ten
 GB2895.er a conversion just missed by Ryan Girdler from the sideline
 GB2896.and there's about f... sixty seconds to go
 GB2897.GH: thank you Steven
 GB2898.Danny Wildler
 GB2899.DW: about sixty seconds to go here as well
 GB2900.the Western Reds nineteen clinging on against Illawarra eighteen
 GB2901.GH: Peter Newlands
 GB2902.PN: full time Greg
 GB2903.Western Suburbs forty North Queensland thirty two
 GB2904.GH: okay thank you Peter
 GB2905.and Michael Ritchie at Redfern
 GB2906.MR: yeah Crushers er Gary Jarrett er scoring on the bell
 GB2907.the conversion unsuccessful
 GB2908.but South Sydney running out convincing winners forty-four points to the Crushers twelve
 GB2909.GH: okay as we head now to the sideline with Tony Iro
 GB2910.Tony Peters for the *Family Car Centre*
 GB2911.TP: thanks Greg

GB2912. well congratulations Tony
 GB2913. a top quality game of football today
 GB2914. TI: yeah
 GB2915. probably a bit too close [[for our liking]]
 GB2916. we er skipped out to a <<you know>> a couple of tries lead
 GB2917. and we sort of slackened off
 GB2918. but no ... North Sydney Bears at the home ground, they're pretty tough
 GB2919. and they came back pretty strong
 GB2920. and we were lucky
 GB2921. to hold on
 GB2922. TP: a really a really good game of football
 GB2923. I mean || nine tries in all
 GB2924. two sides [[that normally probably don't throw the ball around as much]]
 GB2925. we got a bit of a surprise today
 GB2926. TI: yeah well we er all week we've been talking about
 GB2927. there's no use running up into Norths' [...?...]
 GB2928. you know they've got a big pack
 GB2929. we thought || we'd target their edges
 GB2930. and er fortunately for us it worked out today
 GB2931. and er it showed
 GB2932. with our winger scoring some great tries
 GB2933. and er I thought || that was our secret today
 GB2934. you know || just hitting them on the edges
 GB2935. and er well you know || we had a few lucky bounces of the ball
 GB2936. but er in the end <<you know>> it worked out for us
 GB2937. TP: that twelve point turn around just before half-time was the key point wasn't it
 GB2938. TI: yeah well like I say || um that wind was so ... a lot stronger [[than what I think a lot of people thought]]
 GB2939. and er I thought || it was a credit to us
 GB2940. to go into the break five points up
 GB2941. ah and I think || we probably played the second-half a lot better than Norths
 GB2942. because we er... kept the ball down there in the lot
 GB2943. and er Freddie and um ... Andrew Walker were kicking the ball down in er their end of the field
 GB2944. so er that really helped us
 GB2945. TP: and the big Kiwi himself had a very strong game
 GB2946. TI: ah yeah I thought || Jason Lowrie was er went great mate
 GB2947. ah Terry Hermansson went well
 GB2948. ah yeah it was probably a team effort today
 GB2949. um I don't think || a lot of people expected us to win here with ..
 GB2950. we had a top ... we had a couple of top games ah in a row
 GB2951. and er just credit to the boys || you know
 GB2952. they stuck to it

APPENDIX II
Transcript of the ABC First-Half & Second-Half Commentary

Transcription Conventions

- || clause break
- << >> included clause
- [| |] embedded/downranked clause
- [laughs] paralinguistic features and other information are enclosed in square brackets
- GB etc. Denote the initials of the speakers' names (see below)
- [...?...] unintelligible utterance
- [he does] overlapping or interrupted speech is indicated by single square brackets and placed below the point at which it overlaps or interrupts

Other Notes

- Hypotactic enhancing (cause: purpose) (beta) clauses are kept on the same line as the alpha clause. All other hypotactic enhancing clauses (beta) clauses are separated from their alpha clauses.
- Projected clauses are kept on the same line as the projecting clauses (this includes any type of projections).

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- **Sideline Reporter:** CraigHamilton (CH)
- **Around-the-Grounds Reporters:** Lex Marinos (LM), Matthew Eggins (ME), Jim Maxwell (JM), Jamie Walter (JW), Bernard Cohen (BC), Tracy Holmes (TH)

Match Between: Sydney City Roosters and North Sydney Bears

PRE-GAME TALK

- A1.but they've been solid on their home ground
- A2.very tough to beat
- A3.so I suppose I like Craig should go for er.. Norths to scrape home just on the basis of er Taylor's boot || as they so often do
- A4.but I have a great regard for Sydney City's form this year
- A5.and er their losses none of their losses have been of any great or major
- A6.[[the biggest hiding << I suppose >> physically they took]] was to the Bulldogs
- A7.but um I'll stick with the draw
- A8.just in case um I get lucky Peter, as a lucky tipster

COMMENTARY

- A9.there's the kick-off
- A10.PW: and er Walker puts the ball into motion
- A11.and the North Sydney side defending the scoreboard end in the first half
- A12.and er immediately we see David Fairleigh into the action
- A13.he takes the ball over the twenty metre line
- A14.and er dummy half Mark Soden
- A15.so North Sydney running <<it seems>> with the assistance of that breeze
- A16.it is going a fractionally behind them isn't it Craig
- A17.or is it directly across the field
- A18.CH: Oh no most definitely in favour of North Sydney in the first half Peter
- A19.it's blowing nicely behind them
- A20.er it's a good eight ten point breeze
- A21.PW: now North Sydney up towards half way in the centre of the field
- A22.they're going to release it to the left side
- A23.Gary Larson leaning forward that crouching style of his

[break in transmission]

- A24. body around
- A25. and looks || to see || if there are any support players
- A26. but he had his arms pinned
- A27. and couldn't release the ball
- A28. it goes across field in the next attack to little Adrian Lam
- A29. and he releases the pass to Scott Logan
- A30. tackled just inside North Sydney territory
- A31. and it's the last tackle
- A32. and a low grubbering kick through comes from Brad Fittler
- A33. but er not a brilliant kick
- A34. and it's taken by Matt Seers
- A35. who runs back over the twenty metre line
- A36. so it's being played in the between the twenty metre lines in the early moments of this match
- A37. we see [[Greg Florimo get into the action]]
- A38. bullocking his way forward
- A39. he's steered across field though by a trio of Roosters offenders
- A40. and they pull him to ground twenty metres away from the half-way line
- A41. Soden from dummy half gives the ball to the right edge of the ruck
- A42. there's no way through
- A43. fifteen metres from the halfway line
- A44. and no way through for Josh Stuart
- A45. Soden snipes away from dummy half
- A46. and makes twelve metres
- A47. he's on the half-way line
- A48. a chance for the Bears
- A49. Fairleigh gallops onto the football
- A50. loose pass
- A51. but brilliantly taken by Dallas on the flank
- A52. goes down the flank
- A53. slips away from one
- A54. he's crash-tackled
- A55. oh he had a man on him
- A56. but he ghosted around him with a brilliant turn of speed
- A57. they're on the thirty
- A58. and they're rattling the ball across the line
- A59. Border
- A60. Taylor
- A61. grubbers for the outside backs
- A62. bounce important
- A63. but it's taken by Junee
- A64. although he is tackled behind the line
- A65. and it's a restart from the centre of the goal-line
- A66. he feigns || that the ball was back in the field-of-play
- A67. but all of his body is behind the goal-line
- A68. Junee tackled
- A69. a good kick in the end from Jason Taylor
- A70. but Warren Ryan the chase was superb
- A71. WR: yeah two significant things in that set of six from North Sydney was [[the sprint out at dummy half by Soden || which chewed up quite a number of yards]]
- A72. and how quick's Dallas
- A73. he beat his man in from a standing st... start
- A74. beat him on the outside
- A75. just stood him still
- A76. got round the outside
- A77. and got greater yards
- A78. and then of course the ball ... once again instead of just kicking it first receiver
- A79. Taylor was at about third receiver then
- A80. it was a running play
- A81. so they brought the defence on
- A82. and they've won a line drop-kick
- A83. by running the play

A84. and then pushing the grubber behind the defence
 A85. so a very good set from Norths to build up this blow torch effect
 A86. PW: the drop-out is with Larson
 A87. he's on the thirty
 A88. tackled
 A89. the ball with Soden
 A90. this is tackle number two
 A91. he's crashed to ground twenty three-metres out from the line
 A92. and they move it to the right side the shorter side
 A93. Taylor running forward with some venom
 A94. he gives the ball away
 A95. but Trindall's tackled twelve metres out from the goal-line
 A96. up to play-the-ball
 A97. or I should say Billy Moore it was
 A98. now to Larson
 A99. probing
 A100. and dancing towards the defence
 A101. tackled five short of the goal-line
 A102. they've got the er line outside
 A103. it goes to Taylor
 A104. then out to Buettner
 A105. dummies
 A106. tries to slice through
 A107. can't do so
 A108. Lam takes him
 A109. five short of the goal-line
 A110. Seers whips it back to Taylor
 A111. bad pass
 A112. half volleyed by Soden
 A113. he loops a pass over the top
 A114. it hits Florimo
 A115. Florimo for the corner to Dallas
 A116. no room to work with
 A117. and he is tackled over the touch-line
 A118. whips the ball back into the field-of-play
 A119. and it's dived on by Ivan Cleary a couple of metres out from his own line
 A120. and the Roosters << >> work the ball back to their ten metre line
 A121. <<after being under enormous pressure>>

[musical cue for around the grounds]

A122. PW: Kogarah Lex Marinos
 A123. LM: No score Saints and Penrith
 A124. PW: Steelers Matthew Eggins
 A125. ME: No score Illawarra and the Western Reds
 A126. PW: Brookvale Jim Maxwell
 A127. JM: No score between the Golden Oldies Manly and Parramatta
 A128. PW: Campbelltown Jamie Walter
 A129. JW: Cowboys four Western suburbs nil
 A130. PW: Redfern Bernard Cohen
 A131. BC: South Sydney six South Queensland nil
 A132. PW: and on the twenty metre line we're watching [[the Roosters work play out]]
 A133. Craig Hamilton
 A134. CH: yeah they're looking good North Sydney
 A135. they're very unlucky not to score a moment ago
 A136. and as Warren said || Brett Dallas how quick is he
 A137. Peter Jorgensen's no slouch
 A138. and he just left him standing
 A139. PW: twelve or twenty-two metres from the half-way line
 A140. last tackle
 A141. it goes to Walker
 A142. he's just outside his own twenty
 A143. and pilots the ball downfield
 A144. but it goes virtually nowhere into the breeze

A145. taken by Seers
 A146. who accelerates to the half-way line
 A147. and just inside Sydney City territory again
 A148. you can hear that breeze whistling in the background
 A149. as it's with Nigel Roy now
 A150. he makes a few metres on the right side of the ruck
 A151. he's now forty-two out
 A152. he's tackled
 A153. and there's going to be a penalty against Andrew Walker
 A154. going on with the tackle
 A155. and Eddie Ward pouncing
 A156. and giving the penalty to the Bears
 A157. and Taylor might just accept the two points
 A158. although will he kick for touch
 A159. no he's going to take the two points
 A160. so forty and a half metres out from goal but with the wind behind Jason Taylor gets his first test for
 the day
 A161. and it's not an easy one for Taylor with so much breeze around
 A162. despite the fact [[that it is just to the right of the upright]]
 A163. although in saying that
 A164. it is Taylor
 A165. WR: yeah I'd like to get a report from Craig on the breeze
 A166. just watching er [[Walker searching for distance on that last downtown]]
 A167. he struggled a bit
 A168. and he's one of the biggest kickers in the game
 A169. so I think || that er Norths at the moment are er being favoured by a very substantial blow from um lee
 A170. whether it's an angle one or down the ground
 A171. Craig what's happening
 A172. CH: Well I I've revised my initial er description Warren from an eight to ten point breeze to a twelve
 point breeze
 A173. I think || it's it's it's gradually picking up
 A174. as we go
 A175. it is favouring North Sydney
 A176. it's coming across probably from the O'Reilly Stand across the field
 A177. but definitely in favour of North Sydney
 A178. but er I don't think || it's going to affect Taylor's kicking game too much
 A179. we saw him kick in windy conditions against Illawarra
 A180. he landed them from everywhere really
 A181. this is er well er << >> this is fodder
 A182. <<without putting a mocker on him>>
 A183. PW: ah er well [laughs] we'll wait
 A184. and see
 A185. he moves it in
 A186. he has it perched high on the mound of sand
 A187. and now that crouching leaning style towards the football
 A188. and then he attacks it
 A189. and boots it solidly towards goal
 A190. it looks a good kick
 A191. it's a superb kick
 A192. and Taylor raises the flags
 A193. no surprise
 A194. and the Bears lead by two points to nil

 [musical cue for around the grounds]
 A195. Kogarah Lex Marinos
 A196. LM: no score Saints and Penrith
 A197. PW: Steelers Matthew Eggins
 A198. ME: Steelers four the Reds nil
 A199. PW: Campbelltown Jamie Walter
 (no reply)
 A200. PW: Redfern Bernard Cohen
 A201. BC: nil Souths six Crushers nil
 A202. PW: er well we'll go back to Campbelltown Jamie Walter

A203.JW: is four Wests nil
 A204.PW: and to Redfern go again Bernard
 A205.BC: again we go
 A206.South Sydney still six the Crushers still nil
 A207.PW: Tracy Holmes
 A208.TH: in the AFL it's quarter time at the Gabba
 A209.Essendon leading Brisbane by nine points two four sixteen to one one seven
 A210.Richmond lead Melbourne by two goals
 A211.Fremantle ten points ahead of Footscray
 A212.PW: now we watch the North Sydney Bears just outside their own twenty metre line
 A213.in fact they're on their thirty
 A214.a good crowd here at Bear Park
 A215.and watching er [[the North Sydney side roll forward through Steve Trindall]]
 A216.he's caught
 A217.and thrown to ground twenty or or ten from halfway || I should say
 A218.the ball to the left edge of the ruck
 A219.Eastern Suburbs up very very quickly || to push Norths to ground on the halfway line
 A220.and er it goes to the left side now
 A221.good hands out wide to Billy Moore from Fairleigh
 A222.and then further out to Ikin
 A223.and he chips forward
 A224.there's a chase
 A225.bounce important here
 A226.but back <<to take it>> is Sing
 A227.and he has a little bit of room in front
 A228.he slices between Dallas
 A229.who grabs him from behind
 A230.sends the pass out wide
 A231.it's taken by Clark
 A232.and he is buried in a very very fine tackle out wide from Greg Florimo
 A233.that was a tremendous hit from Florimo
 A234.and he could be guilty of er making a double tackle
 A235.but er none the less it is play-on
 A236.a great tackle out wide
 A237.and then another one it was on Jorgensen
 A238.so two in a row from Greg Florimo
 A239.eight metres away from the halfway line Lowrie is tackled
 A240.ball to the right side
 A241.Fittler distributes to Ir.. Tony Iro
 A242.ball on the ground
 A243.it's knocked down by Norths
 A244.oor double knock-on by the Bears
 A245.it was knocked down initially
 A246.I think || the ref ruled || backwards from er Billy Moore's arm
 A247.and then Jason Taylor knocked it forward
 A248.and we're going to see the Roosters with some relief
 A249.two nil the er North Sydney side leading
 A250.and we've had what er eight and a half minutes of play in the first half
 A251.scrum down on half way ten to the right of the centre mound
 A252.the crowd hushed
 A253.and watching
 A254.enthralled currently
 A255.as they watch [[these two sides snipe at each other in the early moments of the match]]
 A256.Cleary's tackled forty-three out from the line
 A257.Lam sends it to Fittler on the left edge of the ruck
 A258.he's met front on
 A259.and drilled into the turf
 A260.that was a good hit by Gary Larson
 A261.er meeting him front on with Billy Moore
 A262.further to the left side of the ruck the ball away to Dunn
 A263.he's charged to ground thirty metres out from the line
 A264.and they open up the right side of the field
 A265.Lam now gives it away to Tony Iro

A266. looks for the big palm
 A267. inside ball hits the deck
 A268. back <<to pick it up>> is Lam
 A269. wheels around
 A270. accelerates
 A271. can't get on the inside of Taylor
 A272. he tries
 A273. but Taylor grabs him
 A274. and reels him in thirty-seven out from the goal-line
 A275. they play-the-ball quickly again
 A276. and a fine body-slamming tackle coming in on Cleary from big David Fairleigh with Gary Larson
 A277. the ball's going to be hoisted high by Walker into the breeze
 A278. it comes back towards him
 A279. and it's taken by Cleary
 A280. whips it out the back
 A281. it's knocked backwards by Iro
 A282. and er then he chips for the corner
 A283. now there's a chase back for Roy
 A284. and an awkward bouncing ball
 A285. he's missed it
 A286. he er regathers
 A287. as he he was under extreme pressure from Matt Sing a metre out from his own goal-line and also Junece
 A288. and he almost came up with a telling error Craig
 A289. CH: he certainly did
 A290. that's the first pressure [[that the Sydney City Roosters have been able to put on North Sydney]] Peter
 A291. and it it was almost a very telling blow
 A292. good little kick recovered well there by Iro
 A293. North Sydney now have got to ruck it back out
 A294. PW: now Gary Larson steams towards the thirty metre line
 A295. they're twenty-five out from their own line
 A296. Soden releases to the right side to Billy Moore
 A297. then on to Taylor
 A298. then further afield to Greg Florimo approaching the right touchline
 A299. Dallas doesn't receive the ball
 A300. he goes to ground
 A301. now a kick downfield comes in from Buettner
 A302. and a chase
 A303. er a high ball down field
 A304. and it er bounces away from Cleary
 A305. here's Dallas on him
 A306. oh and he stops him
 A307. and tackles him around the thighs
 A308. almost a double tackle there is
 A309. and Dallas had done some brilliant work to upset Cleary
 A310. who had good presence Warren to get to his feet quickly
 A311. and then Dallas just came again || to stop him running away
 A312. WR: he's frightfully quick Dallas
 A313. you you blink
 A314. and he's gone
 A315. it it's quite amazing [[how he got across there]]
 A316. and effected that tackle
 A317. PW: now kick for touch
 A318. WR: by the way Peter this is er only the second time [[the Roosters have had a crack to play into
 Norths territory]]
 A319. the other one was from a scrum from Taylor's knock-on
 A320. we'll see || how they go with this one
 A321. PW: Garlick taps the ball
 A322. he gives it to Lowric
 A323. who steams over the halfway line
 A324. he's grounded forty-eight out from the goal-line by Trindall
 A325. to the right side
 A326. they roll onto the football through Dunn
 A327. the off-load goes away to Logan

A328. and he's held forty-two metres out from the goal-line in the cricket pitch area in the centre of the field
 A329. now Iro directing traffic
 A330. goes to the left
 A331. pops the ball up
 A332. it sits up neatly for Peter Clark
 A333. he can't advance
 A334. tackled thirty-three metres out from the goal-line
 A335. just to the left of the uprights they work it further left through Dunn
 A336. and he sets up an attack to the right now
 A337. as they open up the right side of the field
 A338. Lam waits for it
 A339. takes the ball
 A340. runs forward two three paces
 A341. gives it to Lowrie
 A342. he relays it on to Logan
 A343. and er the movement thwarted
 A344. a little bit indifferent from the Sydney City side
 A345. and Norths' defence good
 A346. now they're on the last tackle
 A347. and Fittler kicks
 A348. and chases
 A349. and a high ball and a difficult one for Seers
 A350. and he loses it forward
 A351. and it's on the ground
 A352. lost forward by Seers
 A353. the pressure came from the Sydney City side
 A354. and er so the Roosters have a great opportunity
 A355. they're fourteen metres out from the centre of the goal from the cross-bar
 A356. they face the Ken Irvine Scoreboard
 A357. and they have options either side from this scrum feed
 A358. Adrian Lam about to put the ball in
 A359. Fittler might break off the back
 A360. and give them the extra man
 A361. Sing waits on the right side
 A362. on the left Peter Clark
 A363. and Fittler breaks off the back of the scrum
 A364. and then he sends the ball out wide to Sing
 A365. and it's a try
 A366. an easy try to the Roosters
 A367. well executed
 A368. Fittler broke off the back of the scrum
 A369. he almost telegraphed it
 A370. by pulling his head out early
 A371. Norths still didn't realize
 A372. or if they realized
 A373. they weren't able to counter it
 A374. but the ball was given away to Matt Sing
 A375. and er the simplest of tries really Warren Ryan from Brad Fittler with a neat dummy
 A376. and then pushing the ball out to Sing
 A377. who's been in scintillating form recently
 A378. WR: Yeah Sing ran onto the ball very well
 A379. he hit the gap hard
 A380. and er there was no way [[that he was going to be taken outside in er by the winger ah Nigel Roy]]
 A381. he just shot between Ikin and Roy
 A382. and put a er what looked like a very very simple try down
 A383. but come back to Fittler
 A384. Fittler's er bomb that he put up
 A385. it looked like a very ordinary set of six
 A386. and er he turned it into a good one
 A387. simply by putting something good on the end of it
 A388. I've often said || it's not so much [[what you do in the set]] || it's [[what you do at the end of it]]
 A389. ah it's not er altogether true
 A390. I mean || it's important [[to play well right through the set of six]]

A391. but he tidied up an indifferent <<I think || the word you used>> set of six with a terrific bomb
 A392. which he contested himself
 A393. and forced a knock-on from Seers
 A394. from which they got a an additional possession from the scrum right up deep in er North Sydney territory
 A395. and he just broke off the back of the scrum
 A396. accelerated
 A397. bit of a change of pace
 A398. accelerated
 A399. and at the precise moment [[where he attracted an outside in defender onto himself a concerned outside in defender]] << >> he just pushed the ball to Matt Sing
 A400. <<and I think it was in the shape of the centre um lkin >>
 A401. and Matt added two on one
 A402. and er he hit the gap inside the winger
 A403. PW: now Cleary adds the extras with a good kick
 A404. he slanted it inside the right upright
 A405. it floated towards the left upright with the breeze
 A406. tucked neatly between the uprights
 A407. and the score after fifteen minutes of play at Bear Park [[Sydney City six leading North Sydney two]]
 [musical cue for around the grounds]
 A408. PW: Kogarah Lex Marinos
 A409. LM: Saints two Penrith nil
 A410. PW: Steelers Matthew Eggins
 A411. ME: kick to come in front for the Reds
 A412. it's four all Illawarra and Western Reds
 A413. PW: Campbelltown Jamie Walter
 A414. JW: Wests and North Queensland four all
 A415. PW: Redfern Bernard Cohen
 A416. BC: Like Bear Park it's six two to the Rabbits over the Crushers
 A417. PW: Tracy Holmes
 A418. TH: into the second quarter at the Gabba it's [[Essendon two four sixteen leading Brisbane one two eight]]
 A419. quarter time at the MCG Richmond leading Melbourne by fourteen
 A420. and Freemantle lead Footscray by nine
 A421. PW: ooh well a little bit of venom coming into the North Sydney defence
 A422. with Billy Moore and Gary Larson inflicting some anger on er an opponent Jason Lowrie at the first hit up
 A423. and now Tony Iro gallops forward
 A424. brilliant release to Jorgensen down the flank
 A425. he tries the inside out
 A426. and then the goose stepping quick step
 A427. and he's tackled twelve metres away from the halfway line
 A428. ball given to a driving Fittler
 A429. who looks on song today
 A430. and he takes them towards the half-way line
 A431. he gets up || to play-the-ball
 A432. the Roosters attack now through Lam
 A433. dummies inside
 A434. goes out to Lowrie
 A435. he thumps forward
 A436. but he's hit by the North Sydney defence on the penultimate tackle forty out from the goal-line
 A437. they work it to the shorter side right
 A438. juggled by Logan
 A439. gives it to Sing
 A440. sights an opening
 A441. he's gunna be tackled on the last
 A442. gives a brilliant ball back to Walker
 A443. he keeps it alive
 A444. it's basketballed out the back to a flat-footed Lowrie
 A445. then on to Iro forty out
 A446. and he kicks
 A447. that's a high ball

A448. and it's deep
 A449. and there's no-one back
 A450. bounce important here
 A451. it bounces over the goal-line
 A452. chasing through
 A453. well it's touched over the dead-ball line by Dallas
 A454. and there might've been another try
 A455. there was no full-back at home
 A456. and steaming down the left flank was Jorgensen
 A457. again Peter Clark was in support Craig in front of you
 A458. CH: Oh look this is... they're on song all right
 A459. Tony Iro's kick ... he's not renowned as a kicker
 A460. but that's as that's as good a left footed effort as you would want to see
 A461. the try was on for all money
 A462. Jorgensen down the left hand side just for a moment got the better of Brett Dallas
 A463. and Brett Dallas had to come again
 A464. and leap into the air
 A465. and knock it dead
 A466. great pressure from the Roosters Peter
 A467. and er North Sydney are under some pressure
 A468. and they've got a gale behind them
 A469. PW: well six two they trail
 A470. they trail by four points
 A471. and er they're taking a bit of time dropping the ball out
 A472. just er breathing deeply
 A473. good drop-out from Taylor up towards half-way
 A474. although it comes to rest er forty-three out from the line
 A475. scooped up by Cleary
 A476. he sees [[the phalanx of North Sydney players come towards him]]
 A477. a tackle made on the forty metre line fifteen in from touch on the Roosters right
 A478. the pass whipped across to the left in centre field
 A479. it's taken by Dunn
 A480. he's grassed thirty-two out from the line
 A481. they angle left side
 A482. it goes from Lam to Walker
 A483. Fittler's outside
 A484. running dangerously
 A485. the short off-load off the hip goes away to Clark
 A486. he's caught low down by Taylor and also Buettner
 A487. to the right they work it this time
 A488. to Logan
 A489. striding out towards the twenty-metre line
 A490. he's caught in centre field
 A491. good tackle front on by little Mark Soden
 A492. he had some assistance from David Fairleigh
 A493. to the right side they work it
 A494. Lam inventive
 A495. gives the ball out to Iro
 A496. inside ball to Sing
 A497. they read the option very well
 A498. Trindall making the tackle low down
 A499. only seventeen out from the goal-line
 A500. last tackle
 A501. and it's a corner bomb
 A502. coming in from Lam
 A503. floating on the breeze
 A504. taking it brilliantly is Clark
 A505. he's bashed to ground
 A506. the ball comes clear
 A507. it's chipped forward by Jorgensen
 A508. but it's a hand over
 A509. well that was a great kick
 A510. it was brilliantly taken by Clark

A511. the defence was around
A512. there wasn't really a try on
A513. but you just never know sometimes do you Craig
A514. CH: no you don't Peter
A515. and we saw in the opening moments here [[Sydney City put a grubber kick through]]
A516. it was their first kick option
A517. from then they've gone to the air
A518. and I don't think || you'll see them go anywhere else for the entire remainder of this first half
A519. this breeze is gunna prove real problems here for anything [[that's put up in the air]]
A520. PW: oh Norths have coughed it up
A521. there was a great hit up
A522. er they get a penalty though
A523. there was a great hit-up from Larson
A524. and then from Fairleigh
A525. he did lose the ball in the tackle
A526. but an important decision [[going the way of the Bears]] ten metres from half-way
A527. they will receive a penalty for a strip
A528. and we're going to see a kick for touch
A529. we'll quickly go around the grounds
A530. while this kick is being taken

[musical cue for around the grounds]

A531. Kogarah Lex Marinos
A532. LM: Saints two Penrith nil
A533. PW: Steelers Matthew Eggins
A534. ME: The Reds six the Steelers four
A535. PW: Campbelltown Jamie Walter
A536. JW: Wests and North Queensland four-all
A537. PW: Redfern Bernard Cohen
A538. BC: Souths six Crushers two
A539. PW: and the tap taken on the forty metre line
A540. it's given straight on to Trindall
A541. and he's gathered in thirty-two metres out from the line
A542. surrounded by Paul Dunn and Iro
A543. ball to the right edge of the ruck
A544. Josh Stuart gathering some momentum
A545. his attack stymied twenty-five out from the line
A546. they work the shorter side
A547. Billy Moore
A548. inside pass to Larson
A549. he pops the ball
A550. it hits the ground
A551. scooped up by the winger in Nigel Roy
A552. the move coming unstuck
A553. the ball was meant for Seers
A554. nonetheless they have an angled line right side
A555. Taylor
A556. to Buettner
A557. sights an opening
A558. slices straight through
A559. angles for the line
A560. and scores a brilliant try
A561. that's a fantastic try
A562. he has got a tremendous burst of acceleration Michael Buettner
A563. and he scores || to level it up on the board
A564. six-all
A565. and the crowd can come alive at Bear Park
A566. what a dash off the mark Warren Ryan
A567. WR: it was a good one
A568. it come on the back of a penalty
A569. or it came on the back of a penalty || I should say
A570. they'd played down on the left side here
A571. and when it was spread out to Buettner [[out out to the right playing at five-eighth]]

A572. Buettner dummied to the dummied || to go er outside
 A573. and er took the outside defender off him
 A574. a and that got his interest away from Buettner
 A575. but Buettner then straightened up
 A576. and ran
 A577. and beat the inside-out tackle of little Adrian Lam
 A578. Adrian Lam was left lamenting
 A579. lying on the ground
 A580. so put that one down to a miss side-on tackle inside out from Adrian Lam
 A581. but a very good dummy
 A582. and what and what about the acceleration Craig
 A583. it would've looked good from side-on at ground level
 A584. CH: oh Warren it looked fantastic
 A585. and that was the key to the try Buettner's pace
 A586. er er it certainly there was a little side step there
 A587. but at the end of the day it was the er his speed off the mark that just left er [[Adrian Lam and the other
 defenders just grasping at him]]
 A588. it was reminiscent of Brett Dallas here in the opening moments
 A589. just speed off the mark
 A590. here's Taylor from in front
 A591. this is a formality
 A592. PW: he's eleven metres out from goal Taylor
 A593. and one two friendly paces backwards
 A594. and again he takes as much time over the easy ones [[as he does over the difficult ones]]
 A595. moves in
 A596. pumps it between the uprights
 A597. no trouble at all
 A598. and the Bears hit the front
 A599. and they lead by eight points to six
 A600. eight six the Bears in front
 A601. and we're at the midway point of the first half

 [musical cue for around the grounds]
 A602. PW: Kogarah Lex Marinos
 A603. LM: Saints two Penrith nil
 A604. PW: Steelers Matthew Eggins
 A605. ME: Illawarra eight the Western Reds four
 A606. PW: and we will check on that Golden Oldies game at Brookvale
 A607. Jim Maxwell
 (no reply)
 A608. PW: no we won't
 A609. Jim's not there
 A610. he's gone down for another pie
 A611. Campbelltown Jamie Walter
 A612. JW: Yeah Cowboys have hit the front here
 A613. it's ten four
 A614. PW: Redfern Bernard Cohen
 A615. BC: a player has just been sent from the field here
 A616. South Sydney ten the Crushers two
 A617. PW: and who's been sent
 A618. BC: can't tell at the moment
 A619. we're still waiting for the player to come from the field
 A620. PW: [laughs] oh all right thanks Bernard
 A621. WR: which team
 A622. BC: ja.. Jason Hudson has has been sent from the field
 A623. I think he's walking towards the sideline
 A624. someone still hasn't come from the field yet
 A625. PW: all right we'll come back to you in a moment for clarification
 A626. Tracy Holmes
 A627. TH: it's all locked up at the Gabba
 A628. Brisbane two four sixteen Essendon two four sixteen in the second quarter of all three games
 A629. Richmond lead Melbourne by twenty
 A630. and Fremantle lead Footscray by nine

A631.PW: well er almost a misdemeanour at the kick-off Craig
 A632.er just er my gaze was er diverted for a moment
 A633.did the ball blow off the mound
 A634.and all the Eastern Suburbs players had overrun it
 A635.was that [[what the story was]]
 A636.CH: correct
 A637.one hundred percent right
 A638.PW: now the er kick is taken
 A639.and it's pumped deep
 A640.and it's trapped on the thighs by Larson inside his own in-goal area
 A641.and again he chugs back over the ten
 A642.and then back towards the twenty
 A643.he's relentless in his approach to the game Gary Larson
 A644.North Sydney working play out
 A645.and doing reasonably well up over their twenty-metre line through Trindall || I think it is
 A646.and er he's tackled
 A647.the ball er ... or Fairleigh
 A648.they look er similar from about a hundred metres without glasses Trindall and er Fairleigh
 A649.but we'll see || if we can get it right for most of the day
 A650.the Bears er working to the left edge now through Gary Larson
 A651.he's grounded on the forty metre line eleven metres in from touch on the left
 A652.and the Roosters defence again pretty hard to crack
 A653.North Sydney spread it wide
 A654.to Taylor
 A655.and then to Buettner
 A656.and he kicks high with the breeze
 A657.will it find the right touch-line
 A658.it bounces
 A659.and bounces
 A660.and wobbles
 A661.and er sits in the in-goal area
 A662.and Cleary somehow gets back into the field-of-play
 A663.a tremendous dash downfield from Florimo and also from the winger Dallas
 A664.but what a kick it was on the breeze
 A665.and it sat in the in-goal area
 A666.and Cleary couldn't believe his misfortune
 A667.the Roosters work play back towards the twenty
 A668.and North Sydney have lifted their defensive effort
 A669.and they've cornered the Roosters just for the moment inside their twenty
 A670.they call on Iro now || to stride out
 A671.sights a hole
 A672.inside ball's a beauty to Sing
 A673.he tries to slide away
 A674.he can't
 A675.groped from behind ten from the halfway line
 A676.good tackle on the end from Larson and Ikin
 A677.now the last tackle
 A678.and a kick from Fittler
 A679.it spirals from the touchline infield
 A680.a beautiful kick in or on the breeze
 A681.it was a great kick of some thirty-five forty metres into the breeze
 A682.but he worked it
 A683.it was coming er sort of right to left towards him
 A684.and he did work it nicely
 A685.but Norths have the football fifteen from the half-way line
 A686.and it's taken by Soden
 A687.he takes the tackle
 A688.Dallas flips it up from dummy half
 A689.gives it to Fairleigh
 A690.loping downfield
 A691.and having a good game Fairleigh
 A692.tackled five metres away from the half-way line fifteen in from touch on the right side
 A693.they work it back inside to Taylor

A694. then on the Billy Moore
 A695. and then on to Larson
 A696. and he's tackled a metre from the half-way line front on by Paul Dunn and Iro round the hips
 A697. the play-the-ball is whipped onto the fingertips of Taylor
 A698. inside he gives it away
 A699. and er there's no way through for Seers forty-six metres out from the line not even that forty-two
 A700. and er Eastern suburbs their defence looks a little bedraggled
 A701. as it's sent out to the flank to Dallas
 A702. little chip and chase down the flank
 A703. he speeds down the touchline
 A704. and Cleary gathers it in
 A705. but almost in a twinkling Dallas is upon him
 A706. seizes him
 A707. and grounds him a couple of metres out from the goal-line
 A708. Jorgensen assists
 A709. he goes away
 A710. and again the Roosters under intense pressure on a good kicking game currently from the North
 Sydney side
 A711. we've got er sixteen seventeen minutes to go before the break
 A712. and the Bears leading just by eight points to six
 A713. Craig's a recommendation to both sides a twelve point breeze
 A714. now the Roosters working play out
 A715. and er they're out past their own thirty metre line
 A716. to the right side
 A717. it's to Fittler
 A718. he er grubbers
 A719. and chases
 A720. was he taken out of the play
 A721. it dribbles forward up to the er Bears forty
 A722. and there's gunna be a penalty
 A723. Fittler taken out
 A724. it seemed reasonably innocuous
 A725. but referee Eddie Ward close to the action Warren ruling || that a foot was planted out by the Bears
 A726. they err
 A727. and the Roosters have a penalty five metres inside Norths territory
 A728. WR: yeah er he would've been struggling for yardage there Fittler
 A729. and er that was good little variation
 A730. he went short blind
 A731. and looked like he was going to pump it long
 A732. but he didn't
 A733. he put a little grubber in behind their defence line
 A734. and I think he might have half milked it
 A735. PW: now the er tap is taken on the thirty metre line
 A736. and er replacements thick and fast
 A737. Smith's on the field
 A738. so too Hermansson
 A739. gallops to the twenty
 A740. tackled
 A741. it's sent across field to Dunn
 A742. short off-load to Logan
 A743. and he is grassed eleven metres out from the goal-line
 A744. options to the left and to the right
 A745. Garlick dummy half
 A746. whips it to the left to Lam
 A747. tracking across field
 A748. looking for the runner
 A749. gives it to Clark
 A750. scything through on his inside
 A751. angling towards the uprights
 A752. tackled nine out from the line
 A753. here's Garlick sniping away
 A754. the ball given back to Smith
 A755. he gathers some speed and momentum

A756. but he's er tucked into the ground only three short of the goal-line
 A757. the ball's sent across field now to Lam
 A758. ten metre pass to Fittler
 A759. then on the Walker
 A760. danger here for the Bears
 A761. Walker goes on the outside
 A762. gives the ball to Junee
 A763. he's into the corner
 A764. he's in in the corner
 A765. it's a try
 A766. it's a try to Junee in the corner
 A767. and a great try to the Sydney City Roosters
 A768. they strike again Warren Ryan
 A769. WR: that was a terrific by Walker
 A770. how much speed's he got
 A771. he just applied speed across on an angle run
 A772. and he actually got er well he had about three or four metres to play with to the edge of the field
 A773. but to his great credit Junee just stayed
 A774. and tippy-toed down the very edge of the field
 A775. and the winger eventually Nigel Roy was at at a nightmare situation
 A776. do... does he come in and take Walker
 A777. or does he let er... let Junee run free
 A778. or does he stay with his man
 A779. he came in to Walker
 A780. Walker slipped a short ball
 A781. and Junee banged it down in the corner
 A782. it's a tough conversion attempt facing er Ivan Cleary
 A783. but what a beautiful bit of play by both Fittler and Walker
 A784. in setting that one up for their winger Junee
 A785. PW: Craig
 A786. CH: they're looking good Peter aren't they
 A787. er... and the great thing about this this game so far << >> both sides have got the ability within
 their set of six [[to take the ball a hundred metres]]
 A788. <<and Warren you might elaborate on it a bit more>>
 A789. I know || there's been a couple of penalties either way
 A790. which have assisted in in achieving that
 A791. but r... apart from er those penalties both teams have got the ability [[to go from try line to try line
 within a set of six]]
 A792. so you know || we could see some tries here today
 A793. that's even taking into account the good defensive efforts from both teams
 A794. PW: er... that takes the Roosters in front ten eight
 A795. and they can advance the lead by a couple more
 A796. Cleary though an extremely difficult kick from the touch-line on the right
 A797. although in his f... favour is [[that the breeze is blowing towards him || but sort of across from right to
 left]]
 A798. will... which will assist with the trajectory of the football
 A799. although in Reserve Grade we did see a kicker << >> take the ball back twenty-eight metres out
 from goal
 A800. <<after a try had been scored in a similar position>>
 A801. and he gave himself an impossible task
 A802. as far as distance is concerned Warren
 A803. er... the First Grade fullback hasn't made the same mistake
 A804. WR: [er no]
 A805. PW: he didn't get there
 A806. WR: [I think he..]
 A807. PW: that one in the Reserve Grade
 A808. WR: I don't believe || if if you're accurate || you're not going to open up the angle all... all that much
 || by coming back much further
 A809. in fact you know || you could go down || and put two strings out off the goal-posts || and measure the
 er || if you wanted that proved
 A810. but er you won't by coming back
 A811. all you're gunna do is [[make any deviation er pa..oay... make you pay dearly || by the time it gets to
 the post]]

A812. he's on the twenty metre line
 A813. that's as far back [[as he ought to take it particularly under conditions like today]]
 A814. PW: now he moves in right foot around the corner style
 A815. fires it towards the right upright
 A816. and kicks the goal
 A817. WR: [oh]
 A818. PW: kicks the goal superbly in a Taylor-like performance
 A819. but Cleary has put many of those together in the past in his games er for ... Manly
 A820. and er in their Reserve Grade side he er.. was prolific with the boot
 A821. [hour beep] but er in Sydney City [..?.] also for the North Sydney Bears too er er he performed admirably with the boot
 A822. when called on
 A823. but he was certainly in the shadow Craig Hamilton of er the man [[who kicks for the Bears]]
 A824. CH: no doubt about that
 A825. er it's gonna be a great clash today those two goal kickers
 A826. Cleary's obviously on song too
 A827. because that was a beauty from the touchline
 A828. PW: twelve points to eight the Roosters over the North Sydney side
 A829. and they have the ball a couple away from their own twenty from the restart

 [musical cue for around the grounds]
 A830. as we go around the grounds
 A831. Kogarah Lex Marinos
 A832. LM: Saints four Penrith nil
 A833. PW: Steelers Matthew Eggins
 A834. ME: the Western Reds ten Illawarra eight
 A835. PW and we re-introduce Brookvale Jim Maxwell
 A836. JM: it was four-all in the big game between Manly and Parramatta
 A837. Stan Jurd scored for Parramatta
 A838. and Max Krilich an intercept try for Manly in the big Golden Oldies game
 A839. PW: Campbelltown Jamie Walter
 A840. JW: North Queensland sixteen Wests four
 A841. PW: Redfern Bernard Cohen
 A842. BC: it's South Sydney fourteen the Crushers two
 A843. and the player that was sent off was Jeff Wittenberg the fresh reserve [[who ended up starting the game]]
 A844. PW: all right
 A845. BC: I was
 A846. PW: [..?]
 A847. BC: I was confused
 A848. PW: okay
 A849. so the kick downfield
 A850. and er it is taken by the North Sydney side through Matt Seers
 A851. and er Seers is held thirty metres out from er his own line
 A852. Norths whip it across the line again
 A853. Taylor
 A854. to Florimo
 A855. balks at the defence
 A856. then goes again
 A857. uses his strength || to try and get through defenders
 A858. but Walker has a grip of him
 A859. they're twelve in from touch on the right side the North Sydney Bears
 A860. and looking to make some sort of incursion down the right side
 A861. no way through
 A862. five metres from the half-way line as David Hall is tackled
 A863. or er Ben Ikin er
 A864. who is that player there Craig
 A865. is Hall onto the field
 A866. or is that Ben Ikin
 A867. CH: yeah Hall is out here on the er probably on the outside centre position Peter
 A868. the pul.. er player just taking it up then was Trindall
 A869. PW: okay
 A870. Trindall tackled forty out from the line

A871. they work it to the shorter side left
 A872. and a chip downfield into the in-goal area
 A873. and it's going to go over the dead-ball line
 A874. restart from the centre of the twenty metre line
 A875. the Roosters.. a very very handy lead twelve points to eight
 A876. AFL Tracy Holmes
 A877. TH: it's Brisbane five four thirty-four now getting away from Essendon two four sixteen
 A878. at the MCG Melbourne four one twenty-five trailing Richmond seven five forty-seven
 A879. and Footscray four four twenty-eight just ahead of Fremantle three seven twenty-five
 A880. PW: and the kicker in that instance was Craig Wilson
 A881. and he er makes the first tackle
 A882. and now the second one is made on an advancing Paul Dunn
 A883. he's twelve metres from the halfway line
 A884. Garlick dummy half
 A885. they work it to the left the shorter side
 A886. it's given to Smith
 A887. he's grounded to the turf seven metres from half way eleven in from touch on the left side
 A888. Garlick finds er Fittler running from deep
 A889. gives him the ball
 A890. and he aggressively moves play over the half-way line just to the left of the centre mound
 A891. they attack the Ken Irvine Scoreboard again the Sydney City Roosters
 A892. and it's given on this occasion to Terry Hermansson
 A893. who tries to fend defenders away
 A894. but they come at him
 A895. and ground him thirty-eight out from the line
 A896. the kick comes from Fittler
 A897. another high ball wobbling in the breeze
 A898. a nightmare for Seers
 A899. and er he loops high
 A900. takes it
 A901. and then s... and he's away Seers
 A902. he's through almost a whole side
 A903. gives the ball to Ikin in support
 A904. he has a clean run to the line
 A905. will he have the pace
 A906. he's up to the twenty over the ten
 A907. he's caught from behind
 A908. not held
 A909. and scores
 A910. he scores
 A911. well put that down to Matt Seers
 A912. who's come unstuck in an occasion preceding this one || to present a try to the Roosters from the
 ensuing play
 A913. when he put the bomb down
 A914. but he took that
 A915. Matt Sing charged at him
 A916. he almost tried to take him out of the play
 A917. before the ball hit him
 A918. and er Seers said
 A919. well twenty metres out from my own line not even that
 A920. I've got a moment here
 A921. he speeded away
 A922. the defence came at him
 A923. and he sent the ball on to Ikin
 A924. who sprinted clear
 A925. and he managed to score the try ten in from touch on the left at the fig tree end of the North Sydney
 Oval
 A926. that's come out of nothing
 A927. has levelled the scores up at twelve all
 A928. Taylor's got a tough kick with the breeze
 A929. but again he is only five in from touch
 A930. you'd have to put it out in the grand stand
 A931. for it to be really tough

A932. Warren Ryan
 A933. WR: and a mighty effort by Peter Jorgensen
 A934. playing on the completely on the other side of the field way over on left defence
 A935. come right to the... to come right across to er right hand side of the field
 A936. and actually nail Ikin with a low tackle
 A937. ah well... well deck him
 A938. but he slid in for the try
 A939. didn't actually secure his legs
 A940. but terrific effort to get there
 A941. but we.. gee.. you've really gotta cover a bloke
 A942. when he goes up like that
 A943. a bloke like Matt Seers
 A944. er someone's gotta just come across for more or less in a shallow cover role
 A945. because if you're not one of the the competitors [[that go up and contest the bomb]]
 A946. and er he catches
 A947. a person with his pace catches it cleanly
 A948. and comes down with er with fresh air in front of his face
 A949. you got a problem
 A950. so those things have to be shallow-covered
 A951. PW: now Taylor twenty-one metres out from goal
 A952. and he's about to attack the football five in from touch on the left
 A953. he moves in
 A954. strikes it well
 A955. looping around towards the upright
 A956. hits the right upright
 A957. and misses
 A958. it bounces back into the field-of-play
 A959. and the score remains at twelve apiece
 A960. twelve-all at North Sydney Oval
 A961. with Taylor missing one strangely enough
 A962. it was still a good looking kick
 A963. he tried to float it back on the breeze
 A964. and if anything the breeze might've died on him fractionally
 A965. Craig ...
 A966. Lex Marinos
 A967. LM: ... Penrith nil
 A968. PW: Steelers Matthew Eggins
 A969. ME: the Western Reds twelve Illawarra eight
 A970. PW: Brookvale Jim Maxwell
 A971. JM: yes we're underway
 A972. three minutes gone
 A973. nil-all Parramatta Manly
 A974. PW: Campbelltown Jamie Walter
 A975. JW: Cowboys sixteen Wests ten
 A976. PW: Redfern Bernard Cohen
 A977. BC: South Queensland are getting crushed
 A978. it's the Rabbits twenty to two
 A979. PW: and we'll check the AFL in a moment
 A980. we'll watch this North Sydney attack
 A981. they're ten from half way from the restart
 A982. ball to the left
 A983. Taylor gives a good ball away to Ikin
 A984. chance here
 A985. no Sing cuts him down forty-two out from the line
 A986. a good grabbing tackle
 A987. he was almost past him
 A988. but he put out the right arm
 A989. loose pass on the inside from the Bears
 A990. and they get themselves into a knot
 A991. untangled it is by Billy Moore
 A992. and he gathers the ball forty-seven out from the goal-line
 A993. before being seized
 A994. now they whip it to the left

A995. almost a forward pass from Soden
 A996. going away to his support player
 A997. but er that is the last tackle in any case
 A998. so it might well've been a forward pass
 A999. it hit Wilson
 A1000. who seemed to be fractionally in front
 A1001. it floated on the breeze
 A1002. but last tackle anyway
 A1003. and the Roosters have it again twelve from halfway
 A1004. tackle number one made on Cleary
 A1005. Garlick dummy half
 A1006. who's running onto the ball
 A1007. Peter Clark scything up the centre
 A1008. beats one
 A1009. but not the second
 A1010. makes a few metres
 A1011. and he's just inside his own territory
 A1012. now to Lam
 A1013. sauntering towards the defence
 A1014. he's only foxing
 A1015. claps on the pace
 A1016. tackled low down around the kneecaps ten to the left of the centre mound
 A1017. as they work play again up the centre of the ruck
 A1018. feeling there might be a few holes in the Bears' defence
 A1019. no one or no hole for James Smith
 A1020. goes to ground
 A1021. Fittler now attacks the shorter side
 A1022. loops around
 A1023. a full pirouette
 A1024. dummying to er first of all Walker
 A1025. and then to the other side
 A1026. and going to ground twenty-seven out from the line
 A1027. now it's to Walker
 A1028. he's gunna bomb high again
 A1029. and come in Matt Scers
 A1030. it comes down
 A1031. and he takes it again Scers
 A1032. and looks to get away once more
 A1033. and the crowd sensing that the moment might have been on once more
 A1034. now there's a penalty going to the Bears Craig for off-side
 A1035. they were inside the distance
 A1036. hard to fathom really
 A1037. because the kick er spent so much time in the air
 A1038. CH: well er it certainly did
 A1039. and I remember Warren Ryan's great call a few years ago
 A1040. anything [[that goes that high]] should have a hostess on it
 A1041. that was another one of those
 A1042. PW: ten metres away from the halfway line after the restart
 A1043. Dallas Weston is onto the field
 A1044. but the referee...what's he gunna do here
 A1045. call it || to be retapped restarted once more
 A1046. Eddie Ward not happy with the situation
 A1047. so the Bears << >>
 A1048. <<after finding touch on the Eastern side>>
 now er restart play once more through er Soden
 A1049. who taps it
 A1050. gives it away to er his support player in in Wilson or Moore
 A1051. and the tackle is made just over half way
 A1052. as now it is er with Billy Moore forty-two out from the goal-line
 A1053. Soden
 A1054. to the left side to Taylor
 A1055. on to Buettner
 A1056. loops the pass inside to Florimo

A1057. spins out of one tackle
 A1058. but he is piggy-backed to ground by Tony Iro forty-seven out from the line
 A1059. Soden dummy half
 A1060. er er left to right pass to Taylor
 A1061. running at the defensive line
 A1062. ducking forward
 A1063. can't power though any sort of opening there
 A1064. and he's grounded forty metres out from the line
 A1065. they work it to the left side
 A1066. it's given away to Caruana
 A1067. he aggressively moves into the defence
 A1068. taking a player with him
 A1069. but going to the turf thirty or twenty-five out from the goal-line
 A1070. loose pass back from dummy half
 A1071. Billy Moore has to go back || to pick it up
 A1072. and er then there there's a drop-field-goal attempt
 A1073. and it goes across the crossbar
 A1074. that is a sensational drop-field-goal attempt
 A1075. from Wilson is it Craig Hamilton
 A1076. CH: oh yes it's Craig Wilson
 A1077. that's an amazing drop-goal Peter
 A1078. that could be a clincher here today
 A1079. it's in early times
 A1080. but he's got it with nothing on at all
 A1081. Billy Moore the pass went astray from dummy half
 A1082. Billy Moore picked it up
 A1083. he was er threatened in the tackle by Adrian Lam
 A1084. he just threw it to Craig Wilson
 A1085. who thought about it for a split second
 A1086. he was gunna have a little dash <<I think>> down the right hand side here
 A1087. maybe put a little grubber down
 A1088. he's gone for the drop-goal from what is it th... forty metres out
 A1089. it's hit the middle of the crossbar
 PW: [laughs]
 A1090. CH: and gone over
 A1091. PW: gone over
 A1092. CH: unbelievable!
 A1093. PW: thirteen twelve

 [announcement in the stadium can be heard: "Bears thirteen Sydney City Roosters twelve"]
 [musical cue for around the grounds]

 A1094. PW: Kogarah Lex Marinos
 A1095. LM: it's sixteen Penrith nil
 A1096. PW: Steelers Matthew Eggins
 A1097. ME: the Western Reds twelve Illawarra eight
 A1098. PW: Brookvale Jim Maxwell
 A1099. JM: it's nil all after eight minutes Manly Parramatta
 A1100. PW: Campbelltown Jamie Walter
 A1101. JW: Cowboys sixteen Wests ten
 A1102. PW: Redfern Bernard Cohen
 A1103. BC: South Sydney twenty-six the Crushers two
 A1104. PW: mmm South Sydney drilling the Crushers minus a man in that match
 A1105. man sent off
 A1106. now loose pass back on the inside
 A1107. the Bears have snuck in front here
 A1108. four to go before the break
 A1109. that Wilson field goal that unlikely ...
 A1110. although he has kicked field goals in the past er t...er.. for North Sydney
 A1111. he's a good kicker of the football
 A1112. but certainly that came from nowhere that field goal at er twelve all
 A1113. we watch the Bears
 A1114. they're fifteen away from the half-way line
 A1115. Dallas Weston pulling those big giraffe-like strides out

A1116. and moves to within five metres of the half-way line
 A1117. now Soden throws another loose pass
 A1118. and that's how they got themselves into trouble last time
 A1119. but they did get out of trouble with the field goal
 A1120. the ball's given from Buettner forward to Dallas
 A1121. forward to Dallas
 A1122. he er he was lining up from deep Dallas
 A1123. and he came so quickly
 A1124. that by the time the pass had been given Warren Ryan
 A1125. it was it was forward
 A1126. Dallas was past Buettner
 A1127. WR: yeah ya gotta get them to him in time
 A1128. otherwise he's er he's at the try time
 A1129. he's that quick
 A1130. here's another opportunity for the Roosters
 A1131. it's er um midway
 A1132. it's a half field put in
 A1133. and er they'll get a crack just before half time || to see || if they can get some more points on the board
 A1134. they might comply with it
 A1135. field goal just to go in in ... and draw position thirteen all
 A1136. PW: and we're on the half-way line
 A1137. and the ball comes out of the scrum
 A1138. Fittler standing at five eight gives it to Walker
 A1139. bit of pace
 A1140. some room in front
 A1141. goes through
 A1142. beats one
 A1143. ooh brilliant pass on the ...
 A1144. oh the pass goes to ground to Sing on the inside
 A1145. he was sort of hampered
 A1146. I thought || he might've been obstructed
 A1147. in trying to take the ball
 A1148. but the player was probably entitled to grab at him
 A1149. but the try <<you'd have to say>> butchered from er Sydney City's point of view
 A1150. with Walker showing great pace
 A1151. finding another one with great pace
 A1152. before the pass went to ground
 A1153. Craig briefly how did you see it
 A1154. as Norths now attack half way
 A1155. CH: yeah here's er stay with the play Pete
 A1156. there's something on out
 A1157. ooh he needed to let that go
 A1158. Jason Taylor
 A1159. ...gee whiz Dallas would've been away
 A1160. yeah <<I think I think>> he needed to catch it Sing
 A1161. he had every right to catch it
 A1162. PW: he had every right to catch it
 A1163. the ball on half way to Fairleigh
 A1164. and now the Roosters under a little bit of pressure
 A1165. a couple to go before the break
 A1166. and er they're thirty forty-five out from the goal-line
 A1167. Taylor a little grubber and chase
 A1168. it's regathered by Weston
 A1169. was he in front of the kicker
 A1170. Weston gallops away regardless over the twenty metre line
 A1171. with Dallas unmarked out wide
 A1172. and goes to ground
 A1173. it's a hand over
 A1174. on the inside was Florimo
 A1175. he has butchered the try for sure and certain Weston
 A1176. after being given a favourable call by the referee
 A1177. of course the kick ricocheted off a Sydney City player into the arms of Weston

A1178. so he was immediately on-side
 A1179. and that would've been a legitimate try
 A1180. and now look
 A1181. Iro's through
 A1182. up over the half way
 A1183. now inside is Junee
 A1184. beautifully timed pass to Junee
 A1185. Junee's away
 A1186. and he won't be caught
 A1187. and it's a tremendous Roosters' try
 A1188. put that down to Iro
 A1189. this game is alight
 A1190. it is in the heavens
 A1191. it is high on the Richter scale of matches Warren Ryan
 A1192. up and back and up and back
 A1193. and the Roosters have surged into the lead
 A1194. and they go to the lead by sixteen points to thirteen
 A1195. it'll be eighteen thirteen
 A1196. because that's directly in front of the crossbar
 A1197. right on half time
 A1198. oh Dallas Weston's mistake
 A1199. WR: I was just gunna say || it gives you [[an indication of how he... how lightly balanced a game is
 of of this nature]]
 A1200. ah there should've been a try scored by North Sydney
 A1201. it was a dreadful er... sin of omission by er Weston [[not to either see F...Florimo on his inside || or
 even think of Dallas screaming down the right wing on his outside]]
 A1202. but I think || the more likely one was Florimo on the inside
 A1203. he was unmarked
 A1204. it would've been a certain try
 A1205. and from that ensuing handover the Roosters have had enough possession to work it over to the right
 hand side of the field
 A1206. and Iro is playing a terrific game for the Roosters with these angle runs
 A1207. he really put the hammer down
 A1208. and beat Jason Taylor all points up then
 A1209. he got on the outside of Taylor
 A1210. and give him a little pat on the head
 A1211. as he went past
 A1212. and er... in the ensuing ...or.. in the effort to back up Sing was put down
 A1213. but he also was put down by two er of the left side defenders of North Sydney
 A1214. and so it effectively er... probably put them out of business
 A1215. chasing somebody of Junee's pace
 A1216. and er Junee got up
 A1217. and supported
 A1218. and er away he went
 A1219. without anybody er laying a glove on him
 A1220. so that's really turned the game
 A1221. and I was going to say || you know || there's only been one mistake made by the Roosters in that
 ha...in the whole half
 A1222. and that was the pass by er number six to number three
 A1223. and er that of course was the pass
 A1224. when it was about to break
 A1225. Andrew Walker turning it inside to Matt Sing from a scrum win

 [Half-time siren can be heard in the background]
 A1226. so there's half time Peter
 A1227. and the conversion a formality from in front by Ivan Cleary
 A1228. PW: and they lead by eighteen points to thirteen the Roosters
 A1229. a handy lead
 A1230. they've got the breeze in the second half
 A1231. it is the Roosters eighteen leading the Bears thirteen right on the stroke of half time
 A1232. they might've put the killer blow on the Bears at Bear Park

 [musical cue for around the grounds]

POST- FIRST-HALF GAME TALK

- A1233.PW: we'll check all the other scores
A1234.Kogarah Lex Marinos
A1235.LM: a minute out from half time
A1236.it's Saints sixteen Penrith nil
A1237.PW: Steelers Matthew Eggins
A1238.ME: a couple of minutes out here too Peter
A1239.the Western Reds twelve Illawarra eight
A1240.PW: Brookvale Jim Maxwell
A1241.JM: twelve minutes gone Manly Parra still nil all
A1242.PW: Campbelltown Jamie Walter
A1243.JW: half time here Wilko sixteen all Wests and the Cowboys
A1244.PW: sixteen all [laughing]
A1245.Redfern Bernard Cohen
A1246.BC: ah fifty seconds before half time
A1247.Souths twenty-six South Queensland six
A1248.PW: and Tracy Holmes
A1249.TH: it's half time at the Gabba
A1250.Brisbane leading Essendon by thirty one points seven six thirty-eight to two five seventeen
A1251.not quite half time in the other two games
A1252.Richmond seven eight fifty
A1253.Melbourne closing in seven three forty-five
A1254.and er Footscray seven seven forty-nine lead Fremantle five seven thirty-seven
A1255.PW: now for a few thoughts on the first half action
A1256.eighteen thirteen the Roosters in front Warren Ryan
A1257.WR: well I gotta give er credit to the Roosters here
A1258.not only to be in front at half time

Tape no. 2 Side A

PRE-SECOND-HALF COMMENTARY

- A1259.PW: and thanks very much Bernard Cohen
A1260.now for our listeners a...across the globe through Radio Australia some of you implore us || to give
[[the scores of matches previous er previously played this weekend]]
A1261.so er we do so for your benefit
A1262.Australia eighty-four Fiji fourteen in the match on Friday night at the Marathon Stadium
A1263.a crowd of just over nineteen thousand
A1264.yesterday afternoon Cronulla er they went away to a good lead in the first half twenty-four six over
Canberra
A1265.and they ended up winning the game twenty-four sixteen
A1266.and last night Auckland twenty-eight defeated the Gold Coast fourteen
A1267.that was at Carara on the Gold Coast
A1268.and the Sydney Tigers twenty outlasted the Canterbury Bulldogs eighteen
A1269.the Tigers twenty the Dogs eighteen
A1270.here at half time at North Sydney Oval it's eighteen thirteen in favour of the Roosters
A1271.they're back onto the field-of-play
[30 seconds musical interlude]
A1272.and just before the kick-off we'll update the AFL
A1273.Tracy Holmes
A1274.TH: half time in all three games
A1275.Brisbane scored seven goals six to just one behind for Essendon
A1276.to lead by a thirty one points seven six forty-eight to two five seventeen
A1277.at the MCG it's [[Richmond eight ten fifty-eight leading Melbourne seven four forty-six]]
A1278.and at the Whitten Oval Footscray eight seven fifty-five ahead of Fremantle six seven forty-three
A1279.PW: thanks very much Tracy

SECOND-HALF COMMENTARY

- A1280.there is the restart
A1281.the ball is back into the field-of-play

A1282. North Sydney attacking the Ken Irvine Scoreboard end of Bear Park the Southern end in the second-half
 A1283. the Roosters with the football
 A1284. Craig Hamilton come in
 A1285. CH: yeah Peter
 A1286. they're gonna need to play well the North Sydney side || to win from here
 A1287. but er...er you know || I certainly haven't gone off them at all
 A1288. I think || they can win
 A1289. because s... Sydney City in the first half were just about faultless
 A1290. as Warren said || only one handling error in these conditions today
 A1291. that's a great performance
 A1292. now if they can maintain that
 A1293. they'll certainly win
 A1294. but look out for the Bears to come back
 A1295. no er Peter reports of of er snow at Artarmon
 A1296. it's freezing down here
 A1297. PW: all right [throaty laugh]
 A1298. well er we hope you last the second-half
 A1299. we'll send down the suit the Bear suit later on
 A1300. a couple of metres away from the twenty metre line or the half-way line || I should say
 A1301. and the kick downfield comes in from Walker
 A1302. and so the Bears have possession
 A1303. as Seers runs away from the fig tree end up over the twenty metre line
 A1304. he is grassed by Sean Garlick first there with Paul Dunn
 A1305. now the ball released from dummy half to Brett Dallas
 A1306. weaving but not through a hole or an imagined hole
 A1307. and... he plays the ball
 A1308. after being tackled
 A1309. the next hit up comes from Billy Moore
 A1310. and a good incursion
 A1311. he's cut down in a fine tackle though by Tony Iro
 A1312. who er goes across
 A1313. and watches [[Dallas Weston sail past him || but into the arms of two of his team mates Lowrie and also Walker]]
 A1314. ball with Gary Larson
 A1315. galloping up to the forty metre line
 A1316. and er last tackle
 A1317. we'll see || Jason Taylor perhaps bomb a la the Sydney City side
 A1318. no it's an angled kick deep
 A1319. and er it... it hits the winger on the left side Jorgensen
 A1320. five metres out from his own goal-line
 A1321. and he's met front on by Michael Buettner
 A1322. the ball from Clark is released on the right side of the ruck to Cleary
 A1323. taking the pressure off some of his forwards
 A1324. and now we'll see || Jason no... Lowrie loom up
 A1325. and there is a replacement onto the field, is there Craig?
 A1326. CH: Nathan Wood in seventeen is on for the Roosters
 A1327. PW: Nathan Wood
 A1328. and he is grassed
 A1329. as er now it goes further afield to Sing from Dunn
 A1330. and the tackle made ten from half-way
 A1331. so er North Sydney doing some defensive work there
 A1332. ten in from touch on the right side the Roosters
 A1333. Lam sends the pass across field to Iro
 A1334. then on to Fittler
 A1335. runs three paces
 A1336. whips a beautiful looking pass out to Jorgensen
 A1337. bullocks for an opening
 A1338. can't find it
 A1339. just over half-way
 A1340. couple in from touch on the left
 A1341. fine front on tackle Buettner and Dallas
 A1342. now to Walker

A1343. runs at the defensive
 A1344. Ikin on the last
 A1345. grubbers through under pressure
 A1346. it's trapped beautifully by Florimo
 A1347. and then he spirals a pass on the inside to Seers
 A1348. who gets some speed up
 A1349. over the twenty he goes
 A1350. then to the thirty
 A1351. and meets the defence twenty from half-way
 A1352. that was well done by Florimo
 A1353. whipping the pass to his fullback on the inside
 A1354. and now it's with Fairleigh
 A1355. holding the ball tantalisingly out in front
 A1356. and then gaining some momentum
 A1357. plays the ball
 A1358. when tackled
 A1359. and er away from dummy half goes Caruana
 A1360. he is met solidly er front on
 A1361. and thumped into the deck right on the half-way line
 A1362. ball is released to Taylor
 A1363. across field from Moore
 A1364. then on the inside to Buettner
 A1365. again slivers through
 A1366. past one
 A1367. gets to the thirty metre line
 A1368. good play
 A1369. Buettner
 A1370. fifteen in from touch on the right
 A1371. they open up the left side
 A1372. as they attack the scoreboard end
 A1373. it goes to Fairleigh now
 A1374. galloping forward
 A1375. gives it away to Caruana
 A1376. the ball's gone in touch
 A1377. or Ikin || I should say
 A1378. and the ball has gone into touch Craig out near you
 A1379. CH: yeah
 A1380. actually your call was right
 A1381. it was Caruana Peter
 A1382. he's looming out in the centres here
 A1383. and David Hall er was up on his left hand side just over his left shoulder
 A1384. he needed the pass to find him
 A1385. but he didn't
 A1386. he was just caught in the tackle
 A1387. and the pass has gone into touch
 A1388. and at the end of the day er...ta...er...rather.... Hall's overrun it
 A1389. and the scrum'll go down
 A1390. Roosters' ball
 A1391. PW: actually can't see that far Craig
 A1392. that's up the other end of the field
 A1393. CH: it's difficult
 A1394. PW: it was a dead guess
 A1395. all right
 A1396. now the scrum goes down
 A1397. and it's going to be repacked
 A1398. and re-fed Warren Ryan
 A1399. WR: well I think [clears throat] || all the er all the advantage is obviously now with the Roosters
 A1400. they've got their nose in front
 A1401. they've got the wind at their back
 A1402. and they've got one of the biggest kickers of the ball in the game
 A1403. but er...both kickers both Taylor and er and Walker have have done a very very ordinary kick at the
 end of the set of six || to open this half
 A1404. I hope || they both improve

A1405. because er Taylor's managed to give away a possession
 A1406. and I thought || Walker should've banged a big bomb up
 A1407. rather than grubber for the for his er...short side players there back there earlier
 A1408. PW: the Roosters with the football closing on the forty metre line
 A1409. and Fittler is put to the turf
 A1410. and er again running with er some great vigour and imagination
 A1411. er now the Roosters cough up the ball
 A1412. Lowrie giving a suicidal pass in er some sense to his centre
 A1413. who was right next to him
 A1414. when it hit him on the chest
 A1415. and er Peter Clark put the ball down
 A1416. so the North Sydney side can respond
 A1417. running into the breeze
 A1418. Trindall is tackled
 A1419. the ball from Soden
 A1420. goes away to Fairleigh
 A1421. veering and swerving forward
 A1422. and again running with great emotion
 A1423. coursing through the system
 A1424. he's twenty-five out from the line
 A1425. Soden now
 A1426. giving the ball on to Florimo
 A1427. times the pass away to Buettner or rather to Fairleigh or..er...
 A1428. I'll get it right in a moment
 A1429. it goes to Larson
 A1430. now back to Taylor
 A1431. and Taylor is gathered in twenty-seven out from the line
 A1432. [clears throat] the ball now it's with Soden
 A1433. then on to Fairleigh
 A1434. the pass is released across field to Moore
 A1435. gives the ball er to Caruana
 A1436. flies it on the inside
 A1437. and they support in numbers
 A1438. it goes to Trindall
 A1439. and now as Soden tries to advance only twenty well not even that thirteen metres out from the goal-
 line
 A1440. and up || to play-the-ball
 A1441. it's whistled away to Larson from Taylor
 A1442. and he's groped to ground five metres out from the goal-line just to the right to the uprights
 A1443. on the last tackle
 A1444. they open up the [...?...] 1444
 A1445. across the face of goal it goes to Taylor
 A1446. beautiful pass out to Florimo
 A1447. Florimo sends the ball out
 A1448. it's touched by Wood
 A1449. and knocked forward
 A1450. and he runs into touch
 A1451. it's the presentation of possession to the North Sydney side Warren Ryan
 A1452. they're going to get a full set of tackles again
 A1453. WR: yeah well they elected to run the last play there
 A1454. and er... Taylor sent a very very long spiral ball out to the left
 A1455. but in the end er Norths looking er very dangerous with an overlap there er
 A1456. but Nathan Wood came through
 A1457. and put a hand to it
 A1458. but he's gunna give them another full set from ten metres out
 A1459. PW: now the scrum down ten out from the line
 A1460. Taylor sights it from the back of the scrum
 A1461. and now it goes to Buettner
 A1462. then on to Florimo
 A1463. work moved to Seers
 A1464. bit slow motion
 A1465. but Seers isn't
 A1466. he gathers pace

A1467. gets to the ten metre line
 A1468. and a good tackle
 A1469. he's pulled to ground by Walker
 A1470. not marked
 A1471. there goes Seers
 A1472. the ball is released away
 A1473. there's no way through is there for Hall
 A1474. he off-loads it
 A1475. and Caruana slides across field
 A1476. whips a ten metre pass
 A1477. it hits the deck
 A1478. it's knocked forward
 A1479. and it's intercepted
 A1480. and it's picked up
 A1481. and away goes Fittler
 A1482. he has support
 A1483. gives it to Wood
 A1484. has he got the pace
 A1485. chasing is Buettner
 A1486. no he doesn't
 A1487. pass inside to Fittler
 A1488. Fi... Fittler gallops to the line
 A1489. dummies
 A1490. slides down the touchline
 A1491. loops it infield
 A1492. and it's intercepted by Norths
 A1493. it's intercepted by Norths
 A1494. chasing back to save was Taylor
 A1495. and now they put it down
 A1496. and it's reintercepted by Wood
 A1497. oh that was a terrible mistake from Taylor
 A1498. and now the Roosters have it eight out from the line
 A1499. they've got a seven man overlap
 A1500. if they can find any man
 A1501. oh it hit the ground
 A1502. it hit the ground
 A1503. it's kept up by t...Clark
 A1504. inside ball to Jorgensen
 A1505. he scores
 A1506. Jorgensen scores
 A1507. well it was half volleyed by Clark
 A1508. it looked to be dead
 A1509. when the ball it the ground
 A1510. I think || it was whipped out by Lam, was it
 A1511. er ...or maybe Walker
 A1512. so many players around
 A1513. but it hit the deck on the touchline
 A1514. Norths had time
 A1515. but they were all sliding across and wrong-footed
 A1516. it was scooped up by Clark
 A1517. great presence of mind to find Jorgensen on the inside
 A1518. and the Roosters go further ahead
 A1519. they lead twenty-two thirteen
 A1520. Warren Ryan
 A1521. oh there were some errors there
 A1522. but
 A1523. WR: [oh]
 PW: none worse than the Taylor pass
 A1524. why did he need to throw the pass under pressure
 A1525. it hit the deck
 A1526. and that gave the Roosters possession again
 A1527. WR: well Peter you've called it all
 A1528. but I ..er... it's pretty hard to go back over

A1529.it's all tough
 PW: [laughs]
 A1530.WR: but I'll say this || it all started back [[when er when Wood ah....for Sydney City put a hand to a ball || and gave Norths an extra set at them]]
 A1531.but er...in..that extra set er...in exploring the ball across exploring the the big wide expanses across their left
 A1532.the ball was put down by North Sydney
 A1533.and away went er away went the Roosters on that long run down through
 A1534.and Nathan Wood was part of that ah...
 A1535.PW: [Fittler]
 A1536.WR: Freddie Fittler
 A1537.Fittler was part of it [laughs]
 A1538.how are you going
 A1539.oh it was unbelievable
 A1540.and they got right hand side right in the corner almost got in
 A1541.but then eventually an in-pass
 A1542.there was one little basketball hook shot from
 A1543.but er...it was eventually an in-pass down Taylor not a Roosters' player
 A1544.and Taylor p..passed a stupid pass
 A1545.should've taken the tackle
 A1546.and er eventually the Roosters scored in the corner
 A1547.what a passage of events
 A1548.PW: here's Cleary from wide out again
 A1549.it sails between the uprights
 A1550.another fantastic kick from Cleary
 A1551.four out of four from wide out in windy conditions
 A1552.briefly to Craig down there in the breeze and the ice and the snow
 A1553.CH: oh Peter that had everything didn't it
 A1554.but the bloke [[I feel most sorry for]] is Michael Buettner
 A1555.he did everything humanly possible plus a bit || to avoid a try there
 A1556.he had er Nathan Wood and Brad Fittler tied up out here
 A1557. [[only because he's got great pace]] was [[he able to prevent [[either of those players from scoring]]]]
 A1558.then for Norths to come up with the ball
 A1559.and then to surrender it
 A1560.for Jorgensen to score
 A1561.I feel sorry for the bloke
 A1562.WR: yeah it had everything
 A1563.PW: [...?...]
 A1564.WR: but er it had everything
 A1565.but somebody whistlin' "Sweet Georgia Brown"
 A1566.PW: [laughs] yeah that was a tremendous attack one end to the other one side to the other
 A1567.and you're right about Buettner
 A1568.he was er covering the territory with Fittler and Wood
 A1569.and and orchestrating something
 A1570.but er it was unfortunately at the hand of Taylor

 [musical cue for around the grounds]
 A1571.PW: as we go round the grounds again
 A1572.the Roosters in possession on their own twenty metre line
 A1573.Kogarah Lex Marinos
 A1574.LM: Saints sixteen Penrith nil
 A1575.PW: Steelers Matthew Eggins
 A1576.MW: Western Reds twelve Illawarra eight
 A1577.PW: Brookvale Jim Maxwell
 A1578.JM: Manly twelve Parramatta nil
 A1579.PW: Iro gives it to Clark
 A1580.tackled on the thirty-metre line
 A1581.Jamie
 A1582.JW: Cowboys twenty Wests sixteen
 A1583.PW: Redfern Bernard Cohen
 A1584.BC: South Sydney thirty-two the Crushers six
 A1585.PW: now the Roosters are ten away from the half-way line
 A1586.we'll check the AFL in a moment

A1587. we watch [[Garlick now try and pinch a few metres up the centre of the ruck]]
 A1588. he's surrounded by Trindall
 A1589. and ripped into the turf or the dirt in the cricket pitch area in the centre of the ground on half-way
 A1590. Lam sends it to the left side
 A1591. and Fittler kicks for position
 A1592. drives it into touch
 A1593. and it finds the line fifteen out
 A1594. WR: that's the tactics Peter
 A1595. they're in front
 A1596. they're well in front now
 A1597. if Fittler just keeps picking up the line
 A1598. he can control this game to his own liking
 A1599. providing they...the...the...they're error free
 A1600. and don't give penalties away
 A1601. they're the two other features
 A1602. and and they're in the box seat
 A1603. they're gunna make this very hard for Norths into the wind
 A1604. PW: scrum down
 A1605. and they troop a little bit tardily to the scrum
 A1606. ten out from the Bears' line
 A1607. Tracy Holmes
 A1608. TH: just into the third quarter at the GABBA
 A1609. Brisbane seven six forty-eight lead Essendon three five twenty-three
 A1610. half time in the other games
 A1611. Richmond lead Melbourne by two goals
 A1612. Footscray lead Freemantle also by two goals
 A1613. PW: well the Bears
 A1614. it goes to er Buettner one of their ace cards
 A1615. but he is back slammed er ten out from er twelve out from his own line
 A1616. Dallas dummy half
 A1617. the ball to Fairleigh
 A1618. Fairleigh driving forward over the twenty metre line
 A1619. and he's put to ground by Garlick twenty-five out from his own line
 A1620. Billy Moore trying to give them a bit of momentum up over the thirty metre line
 A1621. and Iro kneecaps him along with Dunn
 A1622. to the right now
 A1623. up the centre Wilson relays the pass to Taylor
 A1624. on to Buettner
 A1625. Buettner dummies
 A1626. tries to slip past Fittler
 A1627. no go
 A1628. tackled ten from the half-way line fifteen in from touch on the right
 A1629. as now Larson lopes up the centre of the field
 A1630. but another low tackle
 A1631. and a beauty from Sean Garlick
 A1632. last tackle now to North Sydney
 A1633. running from Taylor
 A1634. and kicking
 A1635. driving it over the top
 A1636. accelerating down the touchline
 A1637. a couple of support players
 A1638. it bounces awkwardly for Cleary
 A1639. picks it up behind his line
 A1640. and can't get back into the field-of-play Craig
 A1641. there was a sensational chase down there from [[was it Ikin]]
 A1642. CH: yeah Ikin and Nigel Roy
 A1643. both er were able to keep Cleary in his in-goal
 A1644. but they need to do it, don't they, North Sydney
 A1645. the air of desperation about them now
 A1646. have a look at the scoreboard
 A1647. twenty-four points to thirteen
 A1648. they're not out of it
 A1649. but they're not [[far away from being out of it]]

A1650. so they need to do something
 A1651. and er they need to do something very quickly
 A1652. they've got an opportunity now
 A1653. Sydney City will have the line drop out
 A1654. so they're gunna get the ball
 A1655. PW: and er yes apologies [[for not giving that score]]
 A1656. Craig Hamilton thanks for er for securing that
 A1657. if you're driving along in the car one of the most annoying things
 A1658. if a try is scored
 A1659. and and er the goal is kicked
 A1660. and er we're still enraptured with the play
 A1661. it's not that the...giving the score
 A1662. it is twenty-four thirteen
 A1663. a very very handy lead for the the Sydney City side
 A1664. there's the drop-out from the centre of the twenty metre line
 A1665. and it's with er the Bears now
 A1666. they're on the attack
 A1667. almost a spearing tackle
 A1668. Eddie Ward says || it was okay
 A1669. but just
 A1670. on Roy
 A1671. ball to the right edge of the ruck
 A1672. and again striding forth is Steve Trindall east of the thirty metre line
 A1673. they work that shorter side to the right
 A1674. Gary Larson now
 A1675. again er a barrelling run from Larson to the twenty metre line
 A1676. he gets up || to play-the-ball
 A1677. flat attacking line
 A1678. Taylor whistles the pass across onto the finger tips of Buettner
 A1679. he sails a beautiful pass out to Ikin
 A1680. checks stride
 A1681. dances infield
 A1682. tackled twelve out from the goal-line eleven in from touch on the left
 A1683. to the right edge of the ruck it's it's Fairleigh again
 A1684. twisting out of tackles
 A1685. diving for the line
 A1686. he comes up half a metre short
 A1687. good defence from the Roosters
 A1688. they go to the left side
 A1689. though Billy Moore puts it into touch
 A1690. he tried to find the quick hands to the winger in Nigel Roy out near you Craig
 A1691. and it went into touch
 A1692. did it go off a ... no it didn't go off a Roosters' hand
 A1693. it is a hand over just out from their own goal-line
 A1694. CH: yeah straight handover Peter
 A1695. and it's happened a couple of times to the Bears
 A1696. frustration they...the left wingers here haven't even got er...
 A1697. I can't remember || them letting a pass go to hand today
 A1698. PW: well Hermansson for the Roosters
 A1699. out towards the twenty metre line
 A1700. twenty-four thirteen
 A1701. we'll watch this next set of tackles
 A1702. and go around the grounds
 A1703. anything could happen from any part of the field
 A1704. and the crowd know it
 A1705. they're a little bit quiet currently with the Bears down twenty-four thirteen
 A1706. and the Roosters with the football
 A1707. and Sing threatening danger again in the middle of the field
 A1708. tackled five away or fifteen away from the half-way line
 A1709. ball to the left side of the ruck
 A1710. driving hard up the centre is Paul Dunn
 A1711. but er the touch-judge has he signalled a forward pass to Eddie Ward Craig
 A1712. and Norths get a break

A1713. CH: yeah it's an interesting call
PW: [mmm]
A1714. CH: I tell ya what || that's er Paul Dunn's shaking his head
A1715. I don't blame him
A1716. er for mine that's not forward
A1717. PW: well
A1718. CH: that's flat at very worst
A1719. PW: well it gives the er Bears a chance

[musical cue for around the grounds]

A1720. we'll breeze around the grounds
A1721. Kogarah Lex Marinos
A1722. LM: Saints twenty Penrith nil
A1723. PW: Steelers Matthew Eggins
A1724. ME: Illawarra fourteen Western Reds thirteen
A1725. PW: Brookvale Jim Maxwell
A1726. JM: Manly eighteen Parramatta nil
A1727. PW: Campbelltown Jamie Walter
A1728. JW: Cowboys twenty Wests sixteen
A1729. PW: Redfern Bernard Cohen
A1730. BC: Souths thirty-two Crushers twelve
A1731. PW: ball in and out
A1732. Taylor from the back of the scrum runs
A1733. almost doesn't
A1734. no he doesn't
A1735. he never looked like it
A1736. well he tried to step inside Cleary
A1737. he took him well around the hips
A1738. ball to the right side
A1739. Billy Moore
A1740. he threatens
A1741. and he's gathered in
A1742. again steely Roosters defence
A1743. and he's pushed back
A1744. ball released though away to the speedster Dallas
A1745. slithering towards the ten metre line
A1746. oh a great run from Dallas
A1747. something out of nothing almost again
A1748. the ball is released across the face of goal to Taylor
A1749. then it goes on to Wilson
A1750. beautiful cut out pass to Fairleigh for the line
A1751. oh he's cut down only a metre short of the goal-line
A1752. Cleary
A1753. oh no it was Lam with a try-saving tackle
A1754. that was a great tackle
A1755. ball now with the North Sydney side
A1756. danger not gone for the Roosters
A1757. here's Larson
A1758. inside ball to Florimo
A1759. shrugs off one defender
A1760. goes again
A1761. dummies
A1762. feigns giving a pass once more
A1763. he goes to ground
A1764. only seven short of the goal-line
A1765. it's pretty much must score time here for the Bears
A1766. to Trindall
A1767. then out to Wilson
A1768. grubbers for the in-goal area
A1769. will it sit there
A1770. picked up by Jorgensen
A1771. runs it dead
A1772. they'll get the ball from the restart

A1773. but it'll be hoofed downfield by the Roosters with the breeze behind
 A1774. fifteen gone in the second-half
 A1775. and we see the score twenty-four thirteen
 A1776. Tracy Holmes AFL
 A1777. TH: it's a twenty-six point lead to Brisbane over Essendon
 A1778. all tied up between Fremantle and Footscray
 A1779. and a twelve point lead to Richmond over Melbourne
 A1780. PW: the Roosters in front twenty-four thirteen
 A1781. an eleven point lead at Bear Park Craig
 A1782. CH: yep well their putting plenty of questions to ...to the Sydney City defence at the moment the Bears
 A1783. and so far the Roosters are coming up with the answers
 A1784. they've got another line-drop-out here the Bears
 A1785. they're gunna get the ball back
 A1786. but they do need to score
 A1787. PW: now little bit of er a delaying tactic going on here
 A1788. and this is what we were
 [WR?CH??...] PW: talking about
 A1789. yeah what we were talking about last week Warren
 A1790. where er they're taking
 A1791. WR: [yeah]
 PW: their time
 A1792. they are in front protecting the lead
 A1793. they drop-out
 A1794. and then give themselves some er good breathing space
 A1795. so er a little bit of ...cause for concern for er the officialdom
 A1796. as we now watch [[the North Sydney side attack the twenty metre line]]
 A1797. and Larson here having a grand game once more for the Bears
 A1798. he and Fairleigh stand out performers for them today
 A1799. the ball now to the right edge of the ruck
 A1800. and er off-load
 A1801. it goes to ground
 A1802. Caruana and also Wilson trying to work the magic down the shorter side
 A1803. come up with a mistake
 A1804. it was er the loop around Lar...er Wilson and Caruana
 A1805. ball hits the deck
 A1806. scrum down
 A1807. and Norths... well you sense || that they really needed to get across the line right there
 A1808. WR: [well er...]
 A1809. WR: they're trying to force the issue
 A1810. they realize they're behind
 A1811. that was a..an unnecessary pass in traffic
 A1812. I suppose || they're the sorts of things that one arm round the corner
 A1813. but it was thick traffic there
 A1814. and it's been put down
 A1815. and er. it's er an off the hook job for er for the Roosters
 A1816. they're going to put the ball in the scrum
 A1817. they'll come away
 A1818. and I imagine || at the end of the set Freddie'll be looking Fittler'll be looking || to find the line ||
 and just down tempo the game a little bit ||and have his forwards stroll down for a scrum
 A1819. there's another stoppage for a while
 A1820. the ref has a bit a committee meeting with the forwards over scrummaging
 A1821. I don't know || what that's all about but..
 A1822. PW: well the scrum goes down
 A1823. Lam to feed
 A1824. and he puts the ball er in and out
 A1825. and it goes away to Jorgensen
 A1826. and he gets away from Buettnner with a great swerve and a burst of speed
 A1827. and goes again
 A1828. and sends a beautiful pass away to Sing
 A1829. he's away down the right touchline
 A1830. he's up over half-way
 A1831. he takes on Seers

A1832. Seers comes at him
 A1833. he whips the pass infield to Junce
 A1834. Junce is into the corner
 A1835. what a try
 A1836. what a try to the Roosters
 A1837. that is a scintillating effort of attacking football down the right touchline
 A1838. oh they have scored
 A1839. and the Bears are complaining
 A1840. that perhaps there was a foot in touch somewhere along the line
 A1841. but they have no recourse Craig
 A1842. it was a try
 A1843. it was a superb try
 A1844. and that surely is the game in hand now at twenty-eight points to thirteen
 A1845. with the kick to come
 A1846. CH: that'll be the game
 A1847. and that's one of the tries of the day
 A1848. and gee we've seen some good ones today haven't we
 A1849. they've gone the length of the field
 A1850. the pace
 A1851. the speed out wide of both these sides
 A1852. it's electrifying
 A1853. it really gets the adrenaline up
 A1854. when you see tries scored like that
 A1855. but I'm gunna take it right back to ten metres out from the Sydney City line
 A1856. because that's where the error was made
 A1857. a moment ago I was giving Michael Buettner a wrap
 A1858. he's had a fine game
 A1859. but he just let Peter Jorgensen get around him
 A1860. he let Peter Jorgensen run around him
 A1861. Jorgensen went ten metres
 A1862. er Buettner recovered well || to come back || and tackle him from behind
 A1863. but the damage was done
 A1864. because Jorgensen could get the pass away to Matt Sing
 A1865. he was down the right hand side
 A1866. what pace [[it took Matt Seers at full tilt]] to pull him in
 A1867. and then Junce the inside pass
 A1868. a great try
 A1869. but it did come back to the fact [[that Buettner allowed Jorgensen to get around him ten metres out from the Sydney City line]]
 A1870. PW: and what a match for Darren Junce following his try on Monday night
 A1871. he scored three today
 A1872. all pearls
 A1873. that's the hat trick
 A1874. Cleary has a very very tough assignment from the touchline
 A1875. but will it matter
 A1876. the crowd reasonably mute
 A1877. a lot of er Roosters fans have come today
 A1878. but the majority naturally Bears' fans
 A1879. and they'd be a little bit disappointed
 A1880. although in saying that
 A1881. they'd have to reward the the Roosters side for their play this afternoon
 A1882. leading twenty-eight thirteen
 A1883. WR: well that was a bit of a presentation
 A1884. that's the product Peter of being behind er
 A1885. what happens er
 A1886. North Sydney realizing || they're behind
 A1887. and Craig wer...
 A1888. there's the attempt at conversion Peter
 A1889. PW: and Cleary struck it well across the face of goal
 A1890. misses
 A1891. WR: [yeah the main...]
 A1892. PW: [...? ...] twenty-eight thirteen
 WR: the product of being behind

A1893. North Sydney playing into the wind
A1894. they're behind
A1895. Craig Wilson er...er is always called upon || to..supply some of the ball play
A1896. and he comes off the bench
A1897. and of course he's trying to feed Chris Caruana the number thirteen in traffic
A1898. the ball's put down from the ensuing scrum
A1899. Jorgensen gets on the outside of Buettner
A1900. gets a great pass away to Matt Sing
A1901. Matt Sing goes down the right touchline
A1902. and then Junce backs him up on the inside for a lovely inside ball
A1903. as he's going down the tackle
A1904. he offers it up one arm
A1905. and there's a me...magnificent try
A1906. but er product << as I say >> [[of a side being behind || and trying to force the issue]]

[musical cue for around the grounds]

A1907. PW: and the Roosters posing a few more questions to the North Sydney defence even from the restart
A1908. er Dunn goes up the centre of the ruck
A1909. Kogarah Lex Marinos
A1910. LM: Saints twenty-six Penrith nil
A1911. PW: Steelers Matthew Eggins
A1912. ME: Illawarra fourteen the Western Reds thirteen
A1913. PW: Brookvale Jim Maxwell
A1914. JM: half time Manly eighteen Parramatta nil
A1915. PW: Campbelltown Jamie Walter
A1916. JW: Wests just in here Wilko
A1917. it's Cowboys twenty-six Wests twenty-two
A1918. PW: Redfern Bernard Cohen
A1919. BC: Souths thirty-eight the Crushers twelve
A1920. PW: and the Roosters exploring the edges once more
A1921. Jorgensen on the left touchline
A1922. and he's right on the half-way line on the western side
A1923. now Fittler's going to kick
A1924. a spiralling cross-field ball
A1925. and danger
A1926. if it bounces wrongly for North Sydney
A1927. it doesn't
A1928. it bounces into touch
A1929. another good exercise from Fittler
A1930. kicking high
A1931. and for his backs to chase
A1932. and if they were favoured by the bounce all well and good
A1933. but if not
A1934. it was going to go into touch on the breeze
A1935. and it did so
A1936. and they troop back to form the scrum
A1937. Tracy Holmes AFL
A1938. TH: it's a twenty-six point lead to Brisbane over Essendon
A1939. eight eight fifty-six to four six thirty in the third term
A1940. in the other games Richmond leads Melbourne by three goals
A1941. and it's all tied up Freemantle and Footscray eight seven fifty-five each
A1942. PW: twenty-eight thirteen
A1943. twenty minutes to go in the match
A1944. and er North Sydney a long way out of it
A1945. they need the scrum win
A1946. it does come their way from the Taylor feed
A1947. and and it goes to Nigel Roy
A1948. and he is grassed a metre short of the twenty metre line
A1949. Taylor from dummy half pilots the ball to Billy Moore hands
A1950. and he steers his way over the twenty metre line
A1951. before being earthed twenty-five out from his own line
A1952. and now it's with Dallas Weston

A1953. and er he might reflect on that mistake in the first half
 A1954. where he had [[the try begging || after getting a favourable kick]]
 A1955. Norths attack
 A1956. and they've got some numbers left side
 A1957. Ikin dummies
 A1958. can't slither past another pace man in Matt Sing just inside Eastern Suburbs territory
 A1959. Taylor whips it across field to Fairleigh
 A1960. running
 A1961. passing
 A1962. to Billy Moore
 A1963. sights a little bit of a hole
 A1964. gets the arms free
 A1965. there's going to be a penalty here
 A1966. off-side against the Roosters
 A1967. somewhat generous || you might say
 A1968. attacking now
 A1969. there...is there is gunna be another penalty
 A1970. they looked to be inside the distance
 A1971. and the referee says || no play-on
 A1972. Caruana with the ball
 A1973. and they're only twenty-six out from the goal-line in front of the crossbar
 A1974. and the Roosters
 A1975. well it's now their turn to defend
 A1976. and who's to say || Norths can't get back into the game
 A1977. if they can score right now
 A1978. have a lot of things against them; the breeze, a lot of points, and a very committed Roosters side
 A1979. this man'll go all day, Larson
 A1980. he hoists the frame towards the ten metre line
 A1981. pulled up a couple of metres short of that
 A1982. in front of the cross bar
 A1983. angled line to the right side
 A1984. Taylor switches play from right to left the shorter side
 A1985. Wilson
 A1986. short ball's a beauty to Fairleigh
 A1987. can he deliver the telling pass out the back
 A1988. no he can't
 A1989. and he goes to ground nine short of the line
 A1990. again brilliant defence from the Roosters
 A1991. they were queuing up
 A1992. now it goes to Buettner
 A1993. he claps on the pace
 A1994. pops it up for Florimo
 A1995. he's through
 A1996. and he's going to score
 A1997. oh Buettner popping a beautiful inside ball to Florimo
 A1998. he scores
 A1999. he loops around underneath the crossbar
 A2000. and the Bears score to er...
 A2001. well they're back in it
 A2002. you'd have to say || they're back in it
 A2003. and er the Roosters may be sitting on their laurels a little bit
 A2004. and that was a fairly soft try || you might say
 A2005. but the players not giving it up for North Sydney
 A2006. I'm not saying || they all aren't
 A2007. but certainly Larson, Buettner Florimo those sorts of players Warren Ryan if they can kick start the
 rest of the troops
 A2008. they are still in the hunt
 A2009. WR: yeah they've got the formula right here
 A2010. with er. putting Buettner at five-eighth
 A2011. and putting Florimo into the centres
 A2012. and getting him to running harder on the ball
 A2013. he's not a ball player of any shape or form Greg Florimo
 A2014. and they've got him away from the five-eighth position

A2015. and they've got a bloke in there now [[that I've liked [[ever since I've seen him in there]]]]
 with pace, with ball skills
 A2016. hol...the ball...holds the ball out in front
 A2017. can take the ball to the line
 A2018. and can delay a pass
 A2019. and give it late
 A2020. so that the defence hasn't got much adjustment time
 A2021. that was the case then
 A2022. strong run by Florino
 A2023. there's the conversion Peter
 A2024. Taylor kicks from in front
 A2025. and it makes the score twenty-eight nineteen
 A2026. work still to do
 A2027. time in place for the Bears
 A2028. if they're good enough
 A2029. PW: well this could set the scene for a rousing finish
 A2030. er er .. they're not out of it
 A2031. there's plenty of time left in the match
 A2032. and if the Roosters die in the tail at this point in time
 A2033. they'll play Norths right back into it
 A2034. ?: [well if that's...]
 A2035. WR: they can nil afford that
 A2036. the crowd'll start to lift the North side now
 A2037. and er I think || we're in for a great finish now Peter

[musical cue for around the grounds]

A2038. PW: Kogarah Lex Marinos
 A2039. LM: St. George twenty-six Penrith six
 A2040. PW: Steelers Matthew Eggin
 A2041. ME: Illawarra fourteen the Western Reds thirteen
 A2042. PW: Brookvale Jim Maxwell
 A2043. JM: still half time with Manly eighteen Parramatta nil
 A2044. PW: Campbelltown Jamie Walter
 A2045. JW: twenty-six all here
 A2046. Wests have a kick to come
 A2047. PW: Redfern Bernard Cohen
 A2048. [we'll come back]
 A2049. BC: Souths thirty-eight Crushers twelve
 A2050. PW: Tracy Holmes
 A2051. TH: it's a twenty-three point lead to Richmond over Melbourne
 A2052. At the Gabba it's Brisbane eight eight fifty-six over Essendon four six thirty
 A2053. and Footscray lead Freemantle by a single goal
 A2054. PW: the kick Jamie Walter
 A2055. JW: yes successful
 A2056. Leeds converts the try
 A2057. and it's twenty-eight twenty-six Magpies over the Cowboys
 A2058. PW: and North Sydney just over their own twenty metre line through er a workhorse in Fairleigh
 A2059. er Weston queues up for the football
 A2060. he's the decoy
 A2061. it goes to the right edge of the ruck to Billy Moore
 A2062. tunnelling forward
 A2063. he's gripped around the hips though by little Garlick and also by Dunn
 A2064. fifteen from half-way the Bears
 A2065. up the centre they go through Larson
 A2066. he's shouldered to ground in a vigorous hit from Scott Logan
 A2067. up || to play-the-ball five from the half-way line
 A2068. to Billy Moore
 A2069. chance out wide on the left
 A2070. Taylor
 A2071. quick hands away to Fairleigh
 A2072. can he work the numbers out on the left
 A2073. he goes on his own
 A2074. goes to ground

A2075. and gives them position thirty-three out from the goal-line
 A2076. sloppy play-the-ball
 A2077. it's still there for the Bears
 A2078. it was hooked back
 A2079. Taylor on the last tackle grubbers
 A2080. but it goes straight down the throat of Junece
 A2081. why not pump the ball up into the breeze
 A2082. and and er see || if you come up with something
 A2083. as er the Roosters did in the first half
 A2084. that grubber went straight into the arms of Junece
 A2085. who said || thanks very much
 A2086. and now the Roosters with the football
 A2087. and they're twenty-five out from their own line
 A2088. Peter Clark queues up
 A2089. sights a hole up the centre of the ruck
 A2090. can't spear through it
 A2091. and he'll play it twenty from the half-way line
 A2092. des...er Weston tackling him front on
 A2093. Hermansson barrels forward to within eight metres of the half-way line
 A2094. and he'll play it in turn
 A2095. Larson meeting him front on with Buettner
 A2096. now it's going to be Fittler
 A2097. a kick downfield for position again
 A2098. driving them deep and back
 A2099. and will it find touch
 A2100. it does
 A2101. it's a glorious kick from the experienced Ef Fittler
 A2102. WR: Peter that's just er typical of of Fittler playing at a high level
 A2103. knowing exactly what to do
 A2104. he's in front
 A2105. he's using the breeze
 A2106. he's kicking across field
 A2107. he's he's kicking from the left side of the field across to the right
 A2108. and the breeze is just happily taking it into touch for him
 A2109. that's that's two in a row
 A2110. ah...he's done that the end of er at the conclusion of each set of set of [[the last two that the Roosters
 have had]]
 A2111. and that's just the tactics [[that'll frustrate Norths]]
 A2112. PW: now the scrum now to the Bears deep in their own z...zone
 A2113. with the bob stand at at their backs
 A2114. pushing hard into the scrum the North Sydney pack
 A2115. it's er released
 A2116. brought into the fray is lkin
 A2117. he can't accelerate towards the opening [[he imagined was there]]
 A2118. a couple away from the twenty metre line
 A2119. the ball's with Nigel Roy
 A2120. releases a short ball off his left hip to Soden
 A2121. then away to Wilson
 A2122. half chance
 A2123. but gathering him in with a fine tackle [[and the chase preceding that]] Fittler
 A2124. beautiful tackle
 A2125. Larson now
 A2126. in the midfield
 A2127. he's eleven from half-way
 A2128. stands tall in the tackle
 A2129. and thumped on his back
 A2130. Garlick he was first there with Lowrie
 A2131. Taylor running
 A2132. loops the pass out wide to Buettner
 A2133. gives it again to Florimo
 A2134. they read the play this time
 A2135. Buettner
 A2136. well selectively it was to Florimo

A2137. and er they work it up the centre
 A2138. Taylor dummies
 A2139. goes
 A2140. he's grabbed though from behind
 A2141. loops the pass out the back to Soden
 A2142. North Sydney throwing everything at the Roosters
 A2143. they have a last tackle option
 A2144. and they're forty out from the line
 A2145. now Taylor
 A2146. will it be a chip and chase running play
 A2147. out to Fairleigh
 A2148. looping wide
 A2149. he chips it over the top
 A2150. it's taken brilliantly
 A2151. he knocked it backwards by or...
 A2152. let me go back again
 A2153. it was kicked towards him flat Junee
 A2154. it came off his hands
 A2155. it went behind him
 A2156. he regathered
 A2157. and then whipped a pass to Cleary on the inside
 A2158. who almost made a meal of it
 A2159. but er regains his composure || to er
 A2160. sort the situation out Craig on the touchline
 A2161. twenty-eight nineteen the Roosters
 A2162. CH: yeah there's just a sniff of something happening for North Sydney er Peter
 A2163. but the thing is << as as Warren keeps alluding to >> [[Brad Fittler is just frustrating them out of
 it]]
 A2164. whenever he gets the ball
 A2165. he he's just pumping it down the other end of the field
 A2166. he's breaking North Sydney's heart at the moment
 A2167. PW: well North Sydney they sense this is their moment
 A2168. and they're moving up
 A2169. <<as though the...their lives depended on it>>
 in defence
 A2170. and there's a mistake
 A2171. they come up with a mistake
 A2172. and put that down to some very solid defensive work from the Bears
 A2173. they moved up with great enthusiasm
 A2174. they were led by Larson
 A2175. Weston supported
 A2176. ultimately the ball was put down by Adrian Lam Warren
 A2177. but you can put that down to [[the...the er slight look || to see || what was coming]]
 A2178. I think
 A2179. WR: I think || you can
 A2180. and I think || sometimes you can also put it down to the fact [[that they're running with the wind]]
 A2181. he might've been standing a little bit far from his dummy half
 A2182. the ball might've blown a little bit further forward than normal
 A2183. and he put it down
 A2184. good opportunity here now for Norths
 A2185. PW: and they're thirty out from the line
 A2186. in and out from Taylor
 A2187. then on to Buettner
 A2188. work moves across field
 A2189. Florimo
 A2190. Buettner loops around
 A2191. pilots a beautiful pass to Ikin
 A2192. taps on the pace
 A2193. gets past Sing
 A2194. and scores
 A2195. scores in the corner
 [CROWD NOISE 5 secs]
 A2196. oh what a rehearsed move from the Bears

A2197. and they are right back
 A2198. Craig that was scored out near you
 A2199. a movement par excellence
 A2200. Buettner creative, inventive in all of it
 A2201. but the passes were sent with precision out to the back line
 A2202. and it was in the end a one-on-one
 A2203. and er Ikin made his opposite man Sing << I think it was >> look reasonably ordinary
 A2204. CH you bet he did
 A2205. I tell you || that was as slick [[as you'd want to see from the backline]]
 A2206. it was Buettner again
 A2207. who'd thrown the beautiful pass to Ben Ikin
 A2208. it wasn't the skill so much [[of Ikin to get around Matt Sing]]
 A2209. it was er one of the best "don't argues" [[you've ever seen]]
 A2210. he just put the big straight arm palm straight into the chest the upper chest region of Matt Sing
 A2211. and just pushed him away
 A2212. like he was a daffodil
 A2213. that was the thing
 A2214. that was the key play
 A2215. it was just a beautiful "don't argue" from Ben Ikin
 A2216. he just strolled over in the left corner
 A2217. he's got 'em back in the game
 A2218. a quality try
 A2219. PW: twenty-eight twenty-three
 A2220. with the kick to come
 A2221. this for twenty-eight twenty-five
 A2222. WR: what price a draw
 A2223. PW: oh Warren
 A2224. come on Warren
 WR: [laughs]
 A2225. PW: they're twenty and a half metres out from goal right on the touch-line
 A2226. Craig's behind
 A2227. Craig talk us through it
 A2228. CH: looks left
 A2229. oh it's over
 A2230. he's got it
 A2231. it a [...?...]
 A2232. PW: from the touchline into the breeze
 A2233. that is straight into the teeth of the breeze from Jason Taylor
 A2234. that is an incredible kick at goal
 A2235. he was twenty and a bit metres out
 A2236. he was on the touchline
 A2237. and he was kicking from the eastern touchline into a vicious south-westerly breeze
 A2238. oh that is a tremendous kick
 A2239. twenty-eight twenty-five
 A2240. Jason Taylor again brings the house down at Bear Park
 A2241. Ikin before that
 A2242. there's the kick-off
 A2243. it's now back with Gary Larson again
 A2244. but we go back to that ferocious defence from the Bears [[that set this up]]
 A2245. no gotta be mistake free from the Bears at this end of the field
 A2246. and the Roosters move up
 A2247. realizing || that ooh the game er is now in the balance
 A2248. ten to go
 A2249. twenty-eight twenty-five
 A2250. we'll go around the grounds in a moment
 A2251. we'll watch Billy Moore up over the twenty
 A2252. and the crowd starts singing for the off-side penalties here at Bear Park
 A2253. twenty-five out from their own line
 A2254. Larson has it
 A2255. he can't get away from Lowrie
 A2256. who grips him
 A2257. and they're twenty-two away from the half-way line
 A2258. ball from Soden now

A2259. beats one defender with a beautiful step on the dance floor
 A2260. can't give the pass away
 A2261. and he's tackled
 A2262. and back to Taylor
 A2263. now an important one on the last tackle
 A2264. [though? they'll?] run away from him
 A2265. no pressure from er for Taylor
 A2266. and he wobbles one downfield
 A2267. a pretty short kick
 A2268. but all the Roosters defence ran away from him
 A2269. he probably could've advanced another ten metres
 A2270. oh a trooping back
 A2271. and the er play-the-ball from the Roosters
 A2272. they're fifteen from half-way
 A2273. Sing claps on the pace towards the defence
 A2274. they meet him in the one line
 A2275. three the difference
 A2276. twenty-eight twenty-five
 A2277. oh it's been a tremendous attacking festival this afternoon at North Sydney Oval
 A2278. we're five metres away from the half-way line
 A2279. and the Sydney City Roosters loom up with the football
 A2280. twenty-eight twenty-five
 A2281. nine to go
 A2282. and we watch [[the Roosters now through Logan play-the-ball forty-seven out from the line]]
 A2283. Fittler now chiming in
 A2284. running towards the left touchline
 A2285. brilliantly set up ball to Clark
 A2286. can't beat the defence
 A2287. can't beat the defence
 A2288. and Fairleigh it was with a hip-hugging tackle
 A2289. thirty-one out from the goal-line
 A2290. last tackle
 A2291. it's a high ball from er Fittler, is it
 A2292. is he knocked down
 A2293. is Eddie Ward gunna give a decisive penalty
 A2294. it doesn't matter
 A2295. it's juggled
 A2296. oh Walker sends a pass out to Sing
 A2297. he might go in to score
 A2298. no there's a penalty
 A2299. well surely there's a case for play-on there
 A2300. because Sing and Walker have combined || to put the ball across the goal-line
 A2301. the referee ruled ...must be.. ruled
 A2302. that it went forward
 A2303. it was knocked-on wide out
 A2304. and what's gunna happen here
 A2305. well...ah...we're just er searching for er Eddie Ward's decision
 A2306. it's a penalty right in front
 A2307. and they'll take the two
 A2308. they're eleven out from goal
 A2309. it'll soak up time
 A2310. but it will only give them a five point advantage
 A2311. and we're eight metres out from from full-time
 A2312. but it will soak up time
 A2313. now Craig Hamilton
 A2314. what did you think
 A2315. CH: I'm mystified
 A2316. because I think || Sydney City have scored a try
 A2317. he's given the Roosters a penalty
 A2318. it...it's...you know it's it's some small justice
 A2319. they've crossed out wide from Matt Sing
 A2320. now I've got no real good look at the angles here Peter
 A2321. what the penalty's for

A2322.PW: well the penalty was [[for Fittler being taken out || after hoisting the bomb]]
 A2323.but I think again
 A2324.[CH: play to the advantage]
 A2325.Freddie Fittler ...I think || Freddie Fittler had er been watching a few tapes before of er...some old
 and great movies
 A2326.because he certainly worked it
 A2327.he was on his back flat out
 A2328.as though he'd been pole-axed in the saloon
 A2329.and the referee had a quizzical look at him
 A2330.well er you know he... could've been taken out fractionally late
 A2331.but Wa...Ward looked at the play for a long time
 A2332.he saw there was an advantage play going on
 A2333.we can only surmise || that there was a knock-on or a forward pass in there somewhere
 A2334.here's Cleary from right in front eleven metres out
 A2335.just before Warren
 A2336.we'll go around the grounds
 A2337.it is thirty points to

 [musical cue for around the ground...overlapping with talk]
 twenty-five
 A2338.thirty twenty-five
 A2339.Kogarah Lex Marinos
 A2340.LM: Saints thirty-two Penrith six
 A2341.PW: Steelers Matthew Eggins
 A2342.ME: Illawarra eighteen the Western Reds thirteen
 A2343.PW: Brookvale Jim Maxwell
 A2344.JM: Manly twenty-four Parramatta nil
 A2345.PW: Campbelltown Jamie Walter
 A2346.JW: Wests thirty-four North Queensland twenty-six
 A2347.PW: Redfern Bernard Cohen
 A2348.BC: the Rabbits forty-eight South Queensland twelve
 A2349.and the Rabbits with the kick to come
 A2350.see of they can get the half century
 A2351.PW: there's the restart
 A2352.the Roosters with the football
 A2353.it's a mistake free territory for them
 A2354.only six to go
 A2355.Tracy Holmes AFL
 A2356.TH: only two goals in it at the Gabba
 A2357.[time beep] Brisbane nine eight sixty-two Essendon seven eight fifty
 A2358.Richmond eleven twelve seventy-eight lead Melbourne nine five fifty-nine
 A2359.and Fremantle back in front eleven seven seventy-three Footscray ten seven sixty-seven
 A2360.PW: well the Roosters launch another raid down the left edge of the field
 A2361.they're approaching the half-way line
 A2362.they're twelve from half-way
 A2363.Iro's tackled
 A2364.North Sydney move up in a flat line now
 A2365.now er...loping across field is Lowrie
 A2366.he gives the ball away
 A2367.Smith << I think's >> tackled nine metres from the half-way line
 A2368.and he'll get up || to play the football
 A2369.to the right side last tackle
 A2370.Fittler will drive it deep
 A2371.it's a low grubbering kick
 A2372.it bounces
 A2373.well it sits up
 A2374.it does for the fullback Seers
 A2375.now he's on his ten metre line
 A2376.circles around
 A2377.attacks the left touchline
 A2378.can't beat Walker
 A2379.who's up around the hips
 A2380.five and a half to go

A2381.and North Sydney
 A2382.this is tackle number two
 A2383.they call for the ball out wide
 A2384.dangerous pass
 A2385.well taken above his head by Florimo on the twenty metre line
 A2386.he puts the big palm on
 A2387.but he can't release that player in Michael Ostini
 A2388.onto the field for the for the Roosters
 A2389.now they're twenty-four out from their own line
 A2390.here's Soden to the right side
 A2391.finds Billy Moore
 A2392.again charging forward to the thirty metre line
 A2393.twenty from half-way the Bears
 A2394.the flat pass goes to Larson from Soden
 A2395.then to Taylor
 A2396.something developing here
 A2397.it goes from Moore on to Fairleigh
 A2398.and Fairleigh is grabbed nine metres from half-way
 A2399.ten to the left of the centre mound Garlick with a decisive tackle
 A2400.and he's hurt
 A2401.he's slow up to his feet Fairleigh
 A2402.he's been in the game all day
 A2403.he finally and gingerly gets to his feet
 A2404.and it's whipped acro...
 A2405.it's knocked on by Taylor
 A2406.the pass was out in front
 A2407.it was a a pretty ordinary pass
 A2408.but the Bears put it down
 A2409.and is that the game
 A2410.five to go
 A2411.and who's to say || that the Roosters won't even try a a stab at a a field-goal
 A2412.a crowd of sixteen thousand six hundred and ninety-five today
 A2413.a great Sunday afternoon crowd at Bear Park
 A2414.and er the scrum is going to go down
 A2415.now there's a pause in play
 A2416.and the referee finally calls || the clock to stop
 A2417.Greg Florimo brought it to his attention
 A2418.but not before about another twenty-five vital seconds had elapsed
 A2419.Warren Ryan
 A2420.WR: yeah [clears throat]
 A2421.it looks very much like [[the Roosters have got their measure]]
 A2422.it er it's been er er [[an exhibition by Fittler in this second-half of pinning them down || and and
 then virtually slowing the tempo of the game down || just to come down || and have scrums]]
 A2423.but er just cast your mind back to er <<you know>> ju...just a short...the little errors
 A2424. how finely poised er...games of this nature are
 A2425.er...a small error
 A2426.and it results in a try
 A2427.but Eddie Ward << I think >> should've let that last one Peter
 A2428.I was going to say || that last one should've been a play-on
 A2429.er a little bit of a look for an advantage play there
 A2430.he was very quick to blow the whistle for Fittler
 A2431.and I think || Fittler was doing a bit of milking
 A2432.so they were probably robbed of a fair try the Roosters
 A2433.PW: thirty twenty-five
 A2434.thirty twenty-five ... in favour of the Roosters
 A2435.five minutes to go
 A2436.and the scrum breaks down
 A2437.and er the Bears appealing for a penalty
 A2438.they believe || it was collapsed by the Roosters by Garlick
 A2439.again it soaks up time
 A2440.and the Roosters here doing the business
 A2441.the ball in now at the scrum
 A2442.and they break free

A2443. it goes from Lam
A2444. then away to Cleary
A2445. and he is driven backwards
A2446. well there is [[some searching defence coming in from Billy Moore]]
A2447. he's taking er the game by the scruff of the neck
A2448. but they want the football
A2449. they're without it
A2450. and will there be another field-goal stab here
A2451. or will they grubber for the in-goal area
A2452. they're in front of the uprights now
A2453. they could put it...put themselves six in front
A2454. and then the no lose situation
A2455. they're in front of the uprights twenty metres out
A2456. and they've got a few customers [[who can pop the field-goal]]
A2457. to the left side now
A2458. instead of the field-goal they drive forward through Ostini
A2459. he's twelve out from the line
A2460. when tackled
A2461. now Iro calls
A2462. he's the decoy
A2463. Fittler for him in front stabs at goal
A2464. and he has missed
A2465. he has missed the way to the right of the upright
A2466. off the er outside of the boot it went
A2467. and the Bears well they're still in it
A2468. they're five behind
A2469. and we have four and a half to go in the match
A2470. as we watch the er Bears now twenty-seven out from their own line
A2471. and they roll forward through Caruana
A2472. oh he bumps one out of the way
A2473. angles for the right touchline
A2474. gives the ball out to Dallas
A2475. bit of room in front
A2476. looks to get on the outside
A2477. they meet him
A2478. they don't drive him over the touchline
A2479. but not for want of trying
A2480. good tackle Jorgensen and Clark
A2481. now to the left
A2482. here's Buettner
A2483. loops the cut out pass to Taylor
A2484. angles for a gap
A2485. cut out pass goes to Wilson
A2486. oh it's knocked on by Ik...
A2487. oh he's regathered it Ikin
A2488. that's a miracle
A2489. he lost it forward
A2490. it ricocheted off a hip from one of the Roosters
A2491. it sat up in the air
A2492. and he regathered it
A2493. and the Bears are still alive
A2494. they attack to the right side
A2495. it goes to Taylor
A2496. weaving
A2497. he's caught
A2498. he gets the pass out
A2499. switch of play from left to right
A2500. it goes to Buettner
A2501. then on to Soden
A2502. Soden up to the thirty metre line
A2503. loops the pass over the top
A2504. oh it's lost forward is it
A2505. it's put on the ground

A2506. and the referee says... || forward
 A2507. lost forward by Caruana out wide in the centres
 A2508. oh excitement plus from the Bears
 A2509. and er we're still in the game || say the Bears
 A2510. they're on the field
 A2511. the Roosters had to do some defending
 A2512. Warren quickly
 A2513. WR: well I was just thinking || if if er.. Fittler's field-goal had've gone over Peter
 we were in position for a draw at six points weren't we [laughs]
 A2514. PW: [well well]
 A2515. WR: but that's a Rooster feed
 A2516. and they're on the bit.... they're on their own forty metre line or thirty metre line || I'm sorry
 PW: [w.....]
 A2517. WR: and they've got a little bit of distance
 A2518. but they're not in any hurry
 A2519. they'll play their set out no mistake set
 A2520. PW: [Oh Lam] he goes straight through Lam from the scrum base
 A2521. he's caught by though another speedster in Dallas on the forty metre line
 A2522. they're ten from half-way
 A2523. it's with Jorgensen
 A2524. rattles across field
 A2525. geez had a good game Jorgensen
 A2526. and er thirty twenty-five the score
 A2527. we're inside the last few minutes of play
 A2528. the Roosters attacking half-way
 A2529. they need a turnover the Bears
 A2530. and and they do push the defence into the players
 A2531. again a tackle made on Ostini
 A2532. the ball to the right side
 A2533. Dunn loops the pass inside
 A2534. oh there's a player through
 A2535. he's gone right through the centre in Logan
 A2536. he's up on the thirty metre line
 A2537. when tackled
 A2538. and the er play-the-ball quickly
 A2539. to the left Fittler galloping forward
 A2540. puts on the big step
 A2541. can't slide through
 A2542. but they're only nineteen out now
 A2543. will it be Cleary [[who attempts the field-goal]]
 A2544. they're in front of the uprights
 A2545. it goes back now
 A2546. it's Walker
 A2547. then across to the alternative Lam
 A2548. Lam drops the goal
 A2549. it's a shocker
 A2550. it ricochets
 A2551. it's on the ground
 A2552. and it's dived on
 A2553. the referee says || it's going to be a handover
 A2554. and er the Bears lose it
 A2555. well that should've been a play-the-ball surely
 A2556. where the ball was dived on by the North Sydney side
 A2557. one last attack they have
 A2558. here's Seers
 A2559. can't flash through the centre of the ruck
 A2560. they're just outside their own twenty
 A2561. oh what have we got a minute and a bit to go two minutes to go
 A2562. I can't read the clock
 A2563. we'll stay with the play
 A2564. and we will... [end of tape]

[break in transmission as tape is changed]

TAPE THREE Side A

- A2565.PW: Wilson goes on his own
A2566.he's clawed to ground on half-way
A2567.and we're nine in from touch on the left side
A2568.what price a try and a Taylor kick || to try and win the game
A2569.here's Seers
A2570.the pass is a wicked one across field
A2571.but it hits Dallas
A2572.Dallas is inside his own half
A2573.and he can't wiggle free of Peter Clark
A2574.is it forty seconds to go Craig
A2575.I think || it is
A2576.forty seconds to go
A2577.CH: yeah
A2578.that er...that's [[what I make it]]
A2579.PW: and it goes out wide now
A2580.Taylor
A2581.chance here for Soden out into the touchline
A2582.it goes out to Roy
A2583.gallops back on the infield
A2584.he's held though
A2585.and they're << >> forty out from the line
A2586.<<what are they>>
A2587.last tackle
A2588.it's gunna have to be auctioned, is it
A2589.forty seconds to go
A2590.less than that
A2591.Taylor running
A2592.goes for an opening
A2593.almost slides through
A2594.loops the pass
A2595.it's on the ground
A2596.and it's dived on by Lam
A2597.Lam for the Roosters saves the play
A2598.the Bears threw everything at them
A2599.but time is going to beat them after a grandstand finish
A2600.thirty twenty-five
A2601.the Roosters have won
A2602.the game is over at Bear Park
A2603.and the Roosters have scored a memorable victory here
A2604.memorable for the quality of the ...some of the try scoring today and also for the comeback to the
Bears
A2605.thirty twenty-five
A2606.five tries and five goals
A2607.Cleary a faultless performance today with the boot in difficult conditions
A2608.four tries and four goals for the Bears and a field-goal
A2609.Taylor missed one
A2610.but that wasn't the difference in the end
A2611.we'll assess what was the difference with Warren Ryan in a moment
A2612.we' going to go and hear um a portion of that match at Brookvale
A2613.but that's beyond doubt
A2614.Manly giving Parramatta a walloping today
A2615.let's go quickly around the grounds

[musical cue or around the rounds]
A2616.Kogarah Lex Marinos
A2617.LM: Saint George thirty-six Penrith ten
A2618.PW: Steelers Matthew Eggins
A2619.ME: almost full-time
A2620.the Western Reds nineteen Illawarra eighteen
A2621.PW: nineteen eighteen the Western Reds in front
A2622.how long to go?

A2623. ME: oh about sixty seconds Wilko
A2624. PW: Brookvale Jim Maxwell
A2625. JM: Manly further ahead
A2626. kick to come
A2627. they lead Parramatta twenty-eight nil
A2628. PW: Campbelltown Jamie Walter
A2629. JW: full-time here
A2630. Wests forty Cowboys thirty-two
A2631. PW: and er at Redfern Bernard Cohen
A2632. BC: full-time here
A2633. South Sydney forty-eight South Queensland sixteen
A2634. PW: let's go down to Craig Hamilton
A2635. CH: thanks Wilko
A2636. I've got Peter Jorgensen with me
A2637. well a game that had everything today
A2638. it was a real cracker
A2639. what was it like to play in
A2640. PJ: oh it was fantastic
A2641. it was see-saw all the way through
A2642. we knew || coming here || it was going to be [[a very hard task beating them at be...at Bear Park]]
A2643. and um it was a good game to play in
A2644. CH: okay
A2645. you you picked up a try yourself
A2646. but your mate on the other wing Darren Junee's got three
A2647. and it still come down to only a five point game
A2648. I mean || it was it was a terrific spectacle
A2649. they hit back at the times [[they needed to in the second-half]]
A2650. PJ: yeah I think || when we got that lead of um about fifteen points or so
A2651. I think || we started to protect it a bit
A2652. and and started to drop off
A2653. and didn't have our er...enthusiasm right through
A2654. whereas we should've just went on with it
A2655. but um yeah credit to them
A2656. they came back very well
A2657. CH: what'd Gus have to say at half time
A2658. PJ: he said || that it was good
A2659. [[the way we were playing]] was good
A2660. the intensity was good
A2661. we we we were winning into the wind
A2662. which was a which was a bonus
A2663. and er we just had to get out there
A2664. play it down there into the field in the second-half

APPENDIX III

Intonation analyses of the 2GB and ABC Play-by-Play Extracts

The 2GB and ABC extracts are analysed according to the SF system of intonation and the analysis uses the transcription conventions noted in the first chapter (Section 1.6), and reproduced below. There are two points that need to be made regarding the transcription conventions used here. First, some sections of the text which are not classified as play-by-play are included in order to provide some context for the surrounding play-by-play text. These non-play-by-play tone groups are presented in 'strike-through' text. Second, the clause (line) numbering used in the transcription is not used in the intonation analysis, as it is irrelevant to this type of analysis.

Intonation Conventions Used (following Halliday 1967a, 1970a)

// - Tone group boundary

/ - foot boundary

tone - underlining denotes Tonic Prominence

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 13, 53 - numbers denote tone groups according to Halliday

∧ - denotes a silent beat, or silent ictus

2GB ANALYSIS

Segment A

GH: // 1 back now it /goes to /David /Fairleigh // 1 Fairleigh down the /centre of the /ground // 1 twenty metres /out from his /own / goal line // 3 ∧ and /put down in /strong de/fence from /Eastern /Suburbs // 1 now it's /gone to /Soden // 13 ∧ good /pass a/cross to /Josh /Stuart // 1 ∧ he /aims we.. up /well // 53 and a/gain a /strong /tackle by /Logan // 3 over the /top // 3 giving it a/cross /now it // 1 goes to /Steve /Trindall // 13 he steps /back in/side // ~~13 beat the /first line~~ // 13 ∧ e /ventually they /catch /up with him // 3 ∧ and /drag him to the /ground // 1 thirty out from the /North Sydney /line // 3 now it goes /back this /time to /Larson // 1 ∧ the /pass /back in/side to /Florimo // 3 ∧ but he's /cut /down by /Sean /Garlick // 3 ∧ it's /gone to /Soden // 3 and // 3 ∧ he /gives it /once a/gain to /David /Fairleigh // ~~3 beautiful /hands /that /time~~ // 3 ∧ it /goes to /Billy /Moore // 3 out to /Ben /Ikin // 3 Ikin puts a /little /kick in /downfield // 3 too // ~~1 ∧ nearly /hit the /refe/ree~~ // 3 ∧ but a /nice /pick up /this /time // 13 ∧ from /Mattie /Sing for /Eastern /Suburbs // 13 heads to the /far side of the /ground // 5 links up /beautifully /this time with // 1 Peter /Clark //

Segment B

RM: [// 5 oh // 1 what /a] /tackle //

RM: // 5 that was an /abso/lutely su// 13 perb tackle /then by er //

GH: // 1 Florimo //

RM: // 13 Greg /Florimo of /North /Sydney // 53 ^ he just /threw his body /at the /at him // 13 ^ and /drove him the /winger /Jorgensen ... right into the er er // 3 Jorgensen // 1 right into the /dirt //

GH: // 3 yeah // 5 ^ it was a /great tackle // 1 no risk in the /world about /that // 1 one of the /Claudio's /big /hits /thus /far in /this /game // 1 ^ but /now /Lowrie // 3 getting up /very /slowly // 3 might've /hurt his /knee // 3 ^ but it's /gone a/cross to /Fittler // 3 ^ he /gives it /straight out to /Tony /Iro // 3 Billy /Moore's /come into /contact with // 3 that /ball // 13 two /knock /ons // 13 first one from /Billy /Moore // 13 ^ the /second one /this /time it /went to /Ben /Ikin // 1 ^ and the /referee'll /blow that /up // 3 ^ as /we go /now // 3 ^ to /Tony /Peters // 13 on the /sideline // 1 ^ for the /Family /Car /Centre //

Segment C

GH: // 1 ^ and /Eastern /Suburbs will /play it /via /Cleary // 1 straight back /now to /Fittler // 1 ^ he /tries to /put the /bust on // 5 very few /people get /past Gary /Larson in /that situ/ation // 1 ^ and in par/ticular when /Billy /Moore comes /in to as/sist // 3 ^ but it's /gone /once a/gain to /Garlick // 3 out to /Dunn // 3 tried to slide /under the /tackle of /Florimo // 3 very /wide // 3 ^ but /pulled down /once a/gain // 1 thirty out /now from the /Bears' line // 3 Adrian /Lam // 3 shows it out /wide // 3 ^ he /gives it to /Iro // 3 Iro's /standing /out in the /centres // 3 ^ he /flicked it /back to /Walker // 3 Walker's /gone with/out it // 3 Lam's /there to /pick up the /dregs // 3 ^ he /does that /now // 4 tries to step /back in/side /Jason /Taylor // 1 ^ but /Taylor's /there to /nail him // 1 ^ still /forty /out from the /Bears' /line // 3 ^ it's /back with /Garlick // 3 ^ he /sends it a/cross now to /Ivan /Cleary //

Segment D

GH: // 3 ^ gone /straight back /once a/gain // 3 now // 3 to //3 Walker who's /put a // 3 high /kick /up // 3 ~~Mattie /Seers // 3 hasn't taken his /eyes off the /ball // 3 ^~~ he's /come /through // 13 ^ but it's /gone back to /Cleary // 13 then on to /Iro // 13 ^ he's /knocked it /back to/wards his /own /line // 13 he gets a /kick in // 3 Nigel /Roy // 3 ~~came up into the /line // 4 ^~~ he /scurries back to /get the /football // 1 ^ and /he is /nailed about // 1 two metres /out from the /Bears' line//

Segment E

// 3 ^ it's /gone /back to /Buettner // 4 Buettner puts a /high /ball /up // 4 ~~^ a /swirling /wind pre/vailing /here but er//~~13 Cleary very /cautiously /taking that /football // 1 and er /Dallas //4 right on his /hammer // 4 ^ with a /good /chase // 4 ~~hung on him // 4 just a /little bit too /long // 4 Ward didn't /like it // 4 ^ the /crowd /hate it // 5 ^~~ but the /arm of /Ward has /gone up to/wards // 4 Eastern /Suburbs //

Segment F

// 3 back it /goes /now to /Garlick //4 ^ he /sends it a/cross to /Iro // 3 in pos/session // 4 ^ the /Sydney /City /Roosters // 3 gone /back to /Peter /Clark // 1 ^ now he's /wrapped up /beautifully /too // 1 thirty-two /metres /out from the /Bears' /line // 3 Garlick very /quickly at the /dummy-/half // 3 ^ he /gives it a/cross to /Dunn //

ABC ANALYSIS

Segment A

// 3 twelve // 1 ^ or /twenty-/two /metres from the //13 half-/way /line // 1 last /tackle // 1 ^ it /goes to /Walker // 3 he's // 1 just out/side his /own /twenty // 1 ^ and /pilots the /ball /down/field // 1 ^ but it /goes /virtually /nowhere // 1 into the /breeze // 1 taken by /Seers // 1 ^ who ac/celerates // 1 ^ to the /half-/way /line // 1 ^ and /just in/side // 1 Sydney /City /territory a/gain // 1 ^ you can /hear that /breeze // 1 whistling in the /background // 1 ^ as it's with /Nigel /Roy /now // 3 ^ he /makes a /few /metres // 1 ^ on the /right /side of the /ruck // 3 ^ he's /now /forty-/two /out // 3 ^ he's /tackled //1 ^ and there's /going to be a /penalty against /Andrew /Walker // 3 ^ going /on with the /tackle //

Segment B

// 1 ^ he /moves it /in // 1 ^ he /has it /perched /high on the /mound of /sand // 1 ^ and /now that /crouching /leaning /style to /wards the /football // 1 ^ and /then he at /tacks it // 13 ^ and /boots it /solidly to /wards /goal // 3 ^ it /looks a /good /kick // 1 it's a su /perb /kick //

Segment C

// 1 now // 1 ^ we /watch the /North /Sydney /Bears // 3 just out /side their /own // 1 twenty /metre /line // 1 ^ in /fact they're /on their /thirty // ~~1 ^ a /good crowd /here at /Bear /Park // 3 ^ and /watching or~~ // 3 ^ the /North /Sydney /side // 3 roll /forward // 3 through /Steve /Trindall // 3 ^ he's /caught // 13 ^ and /thrown to /ground // 3 twenty // 1 ^ or or /ten from /halfway // 1 ^ I /should say // 3 ^ the /ball // 1 ^ to the /left edge of the /ruck // 3 Eastern /Suburbs // 1 up /very /very /quickly // 3 ^ to /push /Norths to /ground // 13 ^ on the /half /way /line // 1 and er it /goes to the /left /side /now // 5 good /hands out /wide // 1 ^ to /Billy /Moore from /Fairleigh // 1 ^ and /then /further /out to /Ikin // 1 ^ and he /chips /forward // 1 ^ there's a /chase // ~~3 bounce in /portant /here~~ // 1 ^ but /back to /take it is /Sing // 1 ^ and he has a /little bit of /room in /front // 1 ^ he /slices be /tween /Dallas // 4 ^ who /grabs him // 4 ^ from be /hind // 3 sends the /pass out /wide // 3 ^ it's /taken by /Clark // 1 ^ and he is /buried // 1 ^ in a /very /very /fine /tackle // 1 out /wide // 1 from / ^ / Greg /Florimo //

Segment D

// 5 eight metres a /way from the // 13 half /way /line // 1 Lowrie is /tackled // 1 ball to the /right /side // 1 Fittler // 1 ^ dis /tributes to Ir. /Tony /Iro // 3 ball on the /ground // 3 ^ it's /knocked /down by /Norths //

Segment E

// 13 Cleary's /tackled // 1 forty- /three out from the /line // 1 Lam sends it to /Fittler // 1 ^ on the /left edge of the /ruck // 13 ^ he's /met /front /on // 1 ^ and /drilled // 1 into the /turf // ~~1 that was a /good /hit by /Gary /Larson // 1 er /meeting him /front /on with /Billy /Moore~~ // 3 further to the /left /side of the /ruck // 3 ^ the /ball away to /Dunn // 3 ^ he's /charged to /ground // 3 thirty metres /out from the /line // 1 ^ and they /open up the /right side of the /field // 1 Lam now // 1 gives it a /way to /Tony /Iro // 1 looks for the /big /palm // 1 inside /ball /hits the /deck // 1 back to pick it /up is /Lam // 1 wheels a /round // 1 ^ ac /celerates // 4 can't get on the /inside of /Taylor // 4 ^ he /tries // 3 ^ but /Taylor /grabs him // 1 ^ and /reels him /in // 1 thirty-seven /out from the /goal-line // 3 ^ they /play the ball /quickly a /gain // 3 ^ and a /fine /body- /slamming /tackle // 1 coming in on /Cleary // 1 ^ from / ^ /big David /Fairleigh with /Gary /Larson // 1 ^ the /ball's going to be /hoisted /high by /Walker // 1 into the /breeze // 1 ^ it /comes /back to /wards him // 1 ^ and it's /taken by /Cleary // 1 whips it /out the /back // 4 ^ it's /knocked /backwards by /Iro // 1 and er /then he /chips for the /corner // 1 now there's a /chase /back for /Roy // 1 ^ and an /awkward /bouncing /ball // 1 ^ he's /missed it // 1 ^ he er /re /gathers //

Segment F

// 1 now /Gary /Larson // 3 steams to/wards the /thirty /metre /line // 1 ^ they're /twenty-five /out from their /own /line // 3 Soden // 3 ^ re/leases to the /right side to /Billy /Moore // 3 ^ then /on to /Taylor // 3 ^ then /further a/field to /Greg /Florimo // 13 ^ ap/proaching the right /touchline // 4 Dallas /doesn't re/ceive the /ball // 1 ^ he /goes to /ground // 1 ^ now a /kick down/field // 1 comes /in from /Buettner // 1 ^ and a /chase // 13 er /^ a /high ball /downfield // 1 ^ and it er / bounces a/way from /Cleary // 1 here's /Dallas /on him // 5 oh // 5 ^ and he /stops him // 1 ^ and /tackles him a/round the /thighs // 1 almost a /double /tackle /there /is //

APPENDIX IV

Information About the Match which is Commentated on in the Transcripts

Match Date: 16 July, 1996

Location: North Sydney Oval (Bear Park)

Teams: North Sydney Bears vs. Sydney City Roosters (previously Eastern Suburbs)

Names of Players on Each Team

North Sydney Bears

Matt Seers
Brett Dallas
Been Ikin
Greg Florimo
Nigel Roy
Michael Buettner
Jason Taylor
Josh Stuart
Mark Soden
Steve Trindall
Gary Larson
David Fairleigh
Billy Moore

Interchange

Craig Wilson
Chris Caruana
Dallas Weston

Sydney City Roosters

Ivan Cleary
Darren Junee
Matt Sing
Peter Clarke
Peter Jorgensen
Andrew Walker
Adrian Lam
Jason Lowrie
Sean Garlick
Paul Dunn
Scott Logan
Tony Iro
Brad Fittler

Interchange

James Smith
Terry Hermansson

APPENDIX V

Glossary of Rugby League Terms

- Blind side** - This is the area or the side from the play-the-ball or the scrum which is closer to the touchline.
- Conversion (of a try)** - After a try is scored (placing the ball over the opponents goal line), players are given the opportunity to earn extra points by kicking the ball over the crossbar of the goal posts.
- Dead ball line** - This is the line at the farthest end of the playing field bordering the in-goal area and areas out of the field (see diagram at the end of this glossary).
- Drop goal** - This is also sometimes referred to as a field goal. When a player makes a drop-goal he drop kicks the ball and sends it over the crossbar.
- Drop kick** - The player drops the ball to the ground and after it bounces he kicks it.
- Drop out** - A player drop-kicks the ball from between the goal posts or from the centre of the 20 metre line. This is done in order to restart play.
- Dummy** - a player pretends to pass the ball in an attempt to confuse the opposing team.
- Field of play** - This is the area on the field in which valid play takes place. It is bounded by the touch lines and the goal lines. Any activity outside these lines is not considered to be in play (see diagram at the end of this glossary).
- Forward pass** - The correct direction to pass the ball during play is directly across or back to a player on the same team. If the ball is passed in a direction towards the opponent's dead-ball line, it is considered 'forward' and the player making a forward pass is penalised.
- Handover** - Each team plays the ball for a maximum of six tackles. If a sixth tackle takes place or if for some other reason the ball goes out of the field of play before the sixth tackle such as it is kicked into touch or is knocked into touch from off the body of the opposing team, the team with the ball must handover the ball to the opposing team for their round of six tackles.
- In-goal** - The in-goal area is the area on the field that is directly behind the goal posts (see diagram at the end of this glossary).
- Kick-off** - This is a kick which takes place at the beginning of each half of the game. The team which loses the toss kicks off the start of the game and the other team kicks off the start of the second half. A kick-off is also used during the game to restart play after such things as points being scored or perhaps after a penalty.
- Knock-on** - The ball is knocked towards the opponent's goal line with a player's hand or arm. This kind of action receives a penalty.
- Loose ball** - The ball is not being held by a player.
- Off side** - A player is off-side if he tries to participate in play when he is in front of a player from his own side who has just carried the ball, just kicked the ball or touched the ball.
- On side** - Any player who is not off-side.
- Open side** - This is the area or the side from the play-the-ball or the scrum which is furthest from the touchline.
- Penalty-kick** - A penalty kick is awarded by the referee against any player who is guilty of misconduct.

Penalty-try - This is awarded to a team if the referee believes that a try would have been scored if the opposing team had not played unfairly in some way. It is always awarded between the goal posts which gives the kicker of the conversion considerable advantage.

Play-the-ball - After a tackle has taken place, the player holding the ball restarts play by rolling the ball with his foot back to his team mate, or by tapping his foot with the ball and then passing it to his team mate.

Scrum - A scrum is one of the methods of restarting play. Literally, a scrum is a human tunnel with up to six players from each team forming opposing sides of the tunnel by interlocking arms and heads. The ball is passed into the scrum and players use their legs to drive it out of the scrum. The team who manages to retrieve the ball from the scrum continues to play.

Sin bin - If a player is suspended by the referee for misconduct he is sent off for a period of time during the game. In this case he is said to be sent to the 'sin bin'.

Tackle - A tackle is a means of preventing the player with the ball from making any more progress towards the goal line. Tackles can take a variety of forms such as grabbing opponents around the legs and pulling them to the ground or holding a player upright until it is evident that he cannot make any more progress. There are various rules regarding the method of tackling and what constitutes an 'illegal' tackle.

Touch judge - During a Rugby League match there are generally two touch judges and one referee. Touch judges usually stay around the touch line (one on each side of the field) and their main job is to indicate when and where the ball has gone into 'touch' (See diagram at the end of this glossary). They also indicate the position from which play restarts after the ball has gone out of play.

Touch-in-goal - This is a position on the field (see diagram at the end of this glossary).

Try - The word 'try' in Rugby League refers to the means of scoring the highest number of points in the game. A try is awarded four points, and is scored when a player 'grounds' the ball in the opponents' ingoal area.

Other information about Rugby League

- **The Team**

A Rugby League team consists of thirteen players. During the course of a Rugby League match players on a team may be replaced up to four times. Players wear a jersey with the team's colours, and on the jersey is a number which relates to the player's position on the team. There are 'Back' positions and 'Forward' positions. The numbers are as follows:

Backs

1. Full Back
2. Right Wing Three-quarter
3. Right Centre Three-quarter
4. Left Centre Three-quarter
5. Left Wing Three-quarter
6. Stand-off Half or Five-eighth
7. Scrum Half

Forwards

8. Prop
 9. Hooker
 10. Front Row Forward
 11. Second Row Forward
 12. Second Row Forward
 13. Lock Forward
- (Further numbers are allocated to substitute players)

- **The Ball**

The ball used in the game of Rugby League is an oval shaped air-inflated ball made (usually) of leather.

- **Object of the Game**

The basic object of the game is for each team to get the ball over the opposing team's goal line and place it on the ground. To do this players can run with the ball, pass the ball to their team mates or kick the ball. Opposing players can tackle players with the ball in order to stop their progress.

- **Points**

Certain actions in the game are awarded points. These are as follows:

Try = 4 points

Conversion of the Try = 2 points

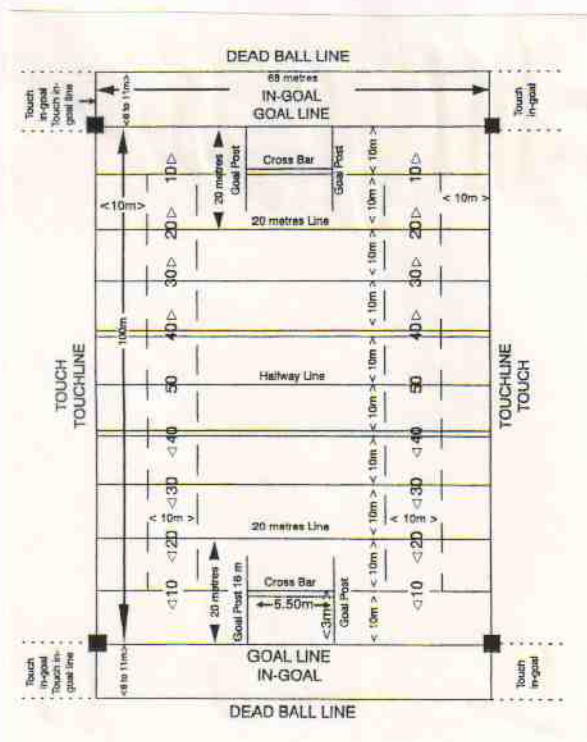
Penalty Goal = 2 points

Drop Goal = 1 point

The game is won by the team scoring the most points from any combination of the above.

- **The Playing Field**

The playing field for Rugby League is rectangular in shape with the following markings:



(from *The Australian Rugby League Laws of the Game and Notes on the Laws* (1998: 2))

APPENDIX VI

ABC Extract for Analysis

(NB: Non-play-by-play text is italicised)

Segment A

A139. PW: twelve or twenty-two metres from the half-way line
A140. *last tackle*
A141. *it goes to Walker*
A142. *he's just outside his own twenty*
A143. *and [he] pilots the ball downfield*
A144. *but it goes virtually nowhere into the breeze*
A145. *[it is] taken by Seers*
A146. *who accelerates to the half-way line*
A147. *and just inside Sydney City territory again*
A148. *you can hear that breeze whistling in the background*
A149. *as it's with Nigel Roy now*
A150. *he makes a few metres on the right side of the ruck*
A151. *he's now forty-two out*
A152. *he's tackled*
A153. *and there's going to be a penalty against Andrew Walker*

Segment B

A185. *he moves it in*
A186. *he has it perched high on the mound of sand*
A187. *and now that crouching leaning style towards the football*
A188. *and then he attacks it*
A189. *and [he] boots it solidly towards goal*
A190. *it looks a good kick*
A191. *it's a superb kick*

Segment C

A212. PW: *now we watch* the North Sydney Bears just outside their own twenty metre line
A213. *in fact they're on their thirty*
A214. *a good crowd here at Bear Park*
A215. *and watching* er the North Sydney side roll forward through Steve Trindall
A216. *he's caught*
A217. *and [he is] thrown to ground twenty or or ten from halfway I should say*
A218. *the ball to the left edge of the ruck*
A219. Eastern Suburbs [are] up very very quickly || to push Norths to ground on the half way line
A220. *and er it goes to the left side now*
A221. *good hands out wide to Billy Moore from Fairleigh*
A222. *and then further out to Ikin*
A223. *and he chips forward*
A224. *there's a chase*
A225. *bounce important here*
A226. *but back <<to take it>> is Sing*
A227. *and he has a little bit of room in front*
A228. *he slices between Dallas*
A229. *who grabs him from behind*
A230. *[he] sends the pass out wide*
A231. *it's taken by Clark*
A232. *and he is buried in a very very fine tackle out wide from Greg Florimo*

Segment D

A239. *eight metres away from the halfway line Lowrie is tackled*
A240. *ball to the right side*
A241. *Fittler distributes to Ir.. Tony Iro*
A242. *ball on the ground*
A243. *it's knocked down by Norths*

Segment E

- A256. Cleary's tackled forty-three out from the line
A257. Lam sends it to Fittler on the left edge of the ruck
A258. he's met front on
A259. and [he is] drilled into the turf
A260. *that was a good hit by Gary Larson*
A261. *er meeting him front-on with Billy Moore*
A262. further to the left side of the ruck the ball away to Dunn
A263. he's charged to ground thirty metres out from the line
A264. and they open up the right side of the field
A265. Lam now gives it away to Tony Iro
A266. [he] looks for the big palm
A267. inside ball hits the deck
A268. back <<to pick it up>> is Lam
A269. [he] wheels around
A270. [he] accelerates
A271. [he] can't get on the inside of Taylor
A272. he tries
A273. but Taylor grabs him
A274. and [he] reels him in thirty-seven out from the goal-line
A275. they play the ball quickly again
A276. and a fine body-slammng tackle [is] coming in on Cleary from big David Fairleigh with Gary Larson
A277. the ball's going to be hoisted high by Walker into the breeze
A278. it comes back towards him
A279. and it's taken by Cleary
A280. [he] whips it out the back
A281. it's knocked backwards by Iro
A282. and er then he chips for the corner
A283. now there's a chase back for Roy
A284. and an awkward bouncing ball
A285. he's missed it
A286. he er regathers

Segment F

- A294. PW: now Gary Larson steams towards the thirty metre line
A295. they're twenty-five out from their own line
A296. Soden releases to the right side to Billy Moore
A297. then on to Taylor
A298. then further afield to Greg Florimo approaching the right touchline
A299. Dallas doesn't receive the ball
A300. he goes to ground
A301. now a kick downfield comes in from Buettner
A302. and a chase
A303. er a high ball down field
A304. and it er bounces away from Cleary
A305. here's Dallas on him
A306. oh and he stops him
A307. and [he] tackles him around the thighs
A308. almost a double tackle there is

APPENDIX VIII
MOOD ANALYSIS OF THE ABC PLAY-BY-PLAY EXTRACT

The Subject and Finite are indicated by bold type. Ellipsed Subject and/or Finite are indicated by square brackets in the text in the left-hand column.

MO = Mood Omission (See section 5.1.6 for a discussion of this)

Italicised text is used for non-play-by-play talk.

Text Segment	Mood	Speech Function	Polarity/ Primary Tense
Segment A			
A139. PW: twelve or twenty-two metres from the half-way line	MO	Statement	pos/(ellipsis)
A140. <i>last tackle</i>	not play-by-play		
A141. it goes to Walker	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A142. he's just outside his own twenty	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A143. and [he] pilots the balldownfield SE	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A144. but it goes virtually nowhere into the breeze	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A145. [it is] taken by Seers SFE	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A146. who accelerates to the half-way line	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A147. and just inside Sydney City territory again	MO		pos/(ellipsis)
A148. <i>you can hear that breeze whistling in the background</i>	not play-by-play		
A149. as it's with Nigel Roy now	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A150. he makes a few metres on the right side of the ruck	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A151. he's now forty-two out	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A152. he's tackled	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A153. and there's going to be a penalty against Andrew Walker	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
Segment B			
A185. he moves it in	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A186. he has it perched high on the mound of sand	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A187. and now that crouching leaning style towards the football	MO		pos/(ellipsis)
A188. and then he attacks it	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A189. and [he] boots it solidly towards goal SE	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A190. it looks a good kick	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A191. it's a superb kick	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
Segment C			
A212. PW: <i>now we watch</i> the North Sydney Bears just outside their own twenty metre line	N/A		positive
A213. in fact they're on their thirty	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A214. <i>a good crowd here at Bear Park</i>	not play-by-play		
A215. and watching er the North Sydney side roll forward through Steve Trindall	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A216. he's caught	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A217. and [he is] thrown to ground twenty or or ten from halfway I should say	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A218. the ball [goes] to the left edge of the ruck	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A219. Eastern Suburbs [are] up very very quickly to push Norths to ground on the halfway line	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A220. and er it goes to the left side now	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A221. good hands [go] out wide to Billy Moore from Fairleigh	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A222. and then [they/it go/goes] further out to Ikin	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A223. and he chips forward	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A224. there's a chase	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres

A225. <i>bounce important here</i>	not play-by-play		
A226. <i>but back <<to take it>> is Sing</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A227. <i>he has a little bit of room in front</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A228. <i>he slices between Dallas</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A229. <i>who grabs him from behind</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A230. <i>[he] sends the pass out wide</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A231. <i>it's taken by Clark</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A232. <i>and he is buried in a very very fine tackle out wide from Greg Florimo</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
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Segment D			
A239. <i>eight metres away from the halfway line Lowrie is tackled</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A240. <i>ball [goes] to the right side</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A241. <i>Fittler distributes to Ir.. Tony Iro</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A242. <i>ball [is] on the ground</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A243. <i>it's knocked down by Norths</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
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Segment E			
A256. <i>Cleary's tackled forty-three out from the line</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A257. <i>Lam sends it to Fittler on the left edge of the ruck</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A258. <i>he's met front on</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A259. <i>and [he is] drilled into the turf</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A260. <i>that was a good hit by Gary Larson</i>	not play-by-play		
A261. <i>er meeting him front on with Billy Moore</i>	not play-by-play		
A262. <i>further to the left side of the ruck the ball [goes] away to Dunn</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A263. <i>he's charged to ground thirty metres out from the line</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A264. <i>and they open up the right side of the field</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A265. <i>Lam now gives it away to Tony Iro</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A266. <i>[he] looks for the big palm</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A267. <i>inside ball hits the deck</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A268. <i>back <<to pick it up>> is Lam</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A269. <i>[he] wheels around</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A270. <i>[he] accelerates</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A271. <i>[he] can't get on the inside of Taylor</i>	Declarative	Statement	neg/mod
A272. <i>he tries</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A273. <i>but Taylor grabs him</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A274. <i>and [he] reels him in thirty-seven out from the goal-line</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A275. <i>they play the ball quickly again</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A276. <i>and a fine body-slamming tackle [is] coming in on Cleary from big David Fairleigh with Gary Larson</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A277. <i>the ball's going to be hoisted high by Walker into the breeze</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A278. <i>it comes back towards him</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A279. <i>and it's taken by Cleary</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A280. <i>[he] whips it out the back</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A281. <i>it's knocked backwards by Iro</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A282. <i>and er then he chips for the corner</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A283. <i>now there's a chase back for Roy</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A284. <i>and [it/there is] an awkward bouncing ball</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A285. <i>he's missed it</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A286. <i>he er regathers</i>	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres

Segment F			
A294. PW: now Gary Larson steams towards the thirty metre line	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A295. they're twenty-five out from their own line	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A296. Soden releases to the right side to Billy Moore	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A297. then [it goes] on to Taylor	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A298. then [it goes] further afield to Greg Florimo approaching the right touchline	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A299. Dallas doesn't receive the ball	Declarative	Statement	neg/pres
A300. he goes to ground	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A301. now a kick downfield comes in from Buettner	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A302. and [there is] a chase	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A303. er [there is] a high ball down field	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A304. and it er bounces away from Cleary	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A305. here's Dallas on him	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A306. oh and he stops him	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A307. and [he] tackles him around the thighs	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres
A308. almost a double tackle there is	Declarative	Statement	pos/pres

APPENDIX IX

ANALYSIS OF MOOD ELLIPSIS IN THE ABC PLAY-BY-PLAY EXTRACT

SE = Subject Ellipsis

SFE = Subject & Finite Ellipsis

FE = Finite Ellipsis

MC = Minor Clause

MO = Mood Omission

N/A = a Mood analysis is not applicable to this particular unit in the transcript (usually this unit is the Phenomenon of a clause of the type Process:mental..

Line number	Subject	Finite
Segment A		
A139.	-	(omission)
A140.	(not play-by-play)	
A141.	it	goes
A142.	he	is
A143.	he (ellipsis)	pilots
A144.	it	goes
A145.	it (ellipsis)	is (ellipsis)
A146.	who	accelerates
A147.	-	(omission)
A148.	(not play-by-play)	
A149.	it	is
A150.	he	makes
A151.	he	is
A152.	he	is
A153.	there	is
Segment B		
A185.	he	moves
A186.	he	has
A187.	-	(omission)
A188.	he	attacks
A189.	he (ellipsis)	boots
A190.	it	looks
A191.	it	is
Segment C		
A212.	N/A	
A213.	they	are
A214.	(not play-by-play)	
A215.	the North Sydney side	roll
A216.	he	is
A217.	he (ellipsis)	is (ellipsis)
A218.	the ball	goes (ellipsis)
A219.	Eastern Suburbs	are (ellipsis)
A220.	it	goes (ellipsis)
A221.	good hands	go (ellipsis)
A222.	it (ellipsis)	goes (ellipsis)
A223.	he	chips
A224.	there	is
A225.	(not play-by-play)	
A226.	Sing	is
A227.	(not play-by-play)	
A228.	he	slices
A229.	who	grabs

A230.	he (ellipsis)	sends
A231.	it	is
A232.	he	is
Segment D		
A239.	Lowrie	is
A240.	ball	goes (ellipsis)
A241.	Fittler	distributes
A242.	ball	is (ellipsis)
A243.	it	is
Segment E		
A256.	Cleary	is
A257.	Lam	sends
A258.	he	is
A259.	he (ellipsis)	is (ellipsis)
A260.	(not play-by-play)	
A261.	(not play-by-play)	
A262.	the ball	goes (ellipsis)
A263.	he	is
A264.	they	open up
A265.	Lam	gives
A266.	he (ellipsis)	looks
A267.	inside ball	hits
A268.	Lam	is
A269.	he (ellipsis)	wheels
A270.	he (ellipsis)	accelerates
A271.	he (ellipsis)	can't
A272.	he	tries
A273.	Taylor	grabs
A274.	he (ellipsis)	reels
A275.	they	play
A276.	a fine body slamming tackle	is (ellipsis)
A277.	the ball	is
A278.	it	comes
A279.	it	is
A280.	he (ellipsis)	whips
A281.	it	is
A282.	he	chips
A283.	there	is
A284.		(omission)
A285.	he	has
A286.	he	regathers
Segment F		
A294.	Gary Larson	steams
A295.	they	are
A296.	Soden	releases
A297.	it (ellipsis)	goes (ellipsis)
A298.	it (ellipsis)	goes (ellipsis)
A299.	Dallas	doesn't
A300.	he	goes
A301.	a kick	comes
A302.	there (ellipsis)	is (ellipsis)
A303.	there (ellipsis)	is (ellipsis)
A304.	it	bounces
A305.	Dallas	is
A306.	he	stops
A307.	he (ellipsis)	tackles
A308.	there	is

APPENDIX X

Transitivity and Ergativity Analysis of the ABC Extract

Segment A

A139.PW: twelve or twenty-two metres from the half-way line

Location: place (spatial)

Location

A140.-

A141.it goes to Walker
 Actor Process: material Location: place (spatial)
Medium Process Location

A142.he 's just outside his own twenty
 Carrier Pro: intensive Location: place (spatial)
Medium Process Location

A143.and [he] pilots the ball downfield
 Actor Proc: mat Goal Location: place (spatial)
Agent Process Medium Location

A144.but it goes virtually nowhere into the breeze
 Actor Proc: mat Location: place (spatial) Location: place (spatial)
Medium Process Location Location

A145. [it is] taken by Seers
 Goal Process: material Actor
Medium Process Agent

A146. who accelerates to the half-way line
 Actor Proc: mat Location: place (spatial)
Medium Process Location

A147.and just inside Sydney City territory again
 Location Location: time (temporal)
Location Location

A148.-

A149.as it 's with Nigel Roy now
 Carrier Proc: intensive Accompaniment Loc: time (temp)
Medium Process Accompaniment Location

A150. he makes a few metres on the right side of the ruck
 Actor Proc: mat Range Location: place (spatial)
Medium Process Range Location

A151. he 's now forty-two out
 Carrier Proc: intensive Loc: time (temp) Location: place (spatial)
Medium Process Location Location

A152. he 's tackled
 Goal Proc: mat
Medium Process

A153.and there's going to be a penalty against Andrew Walker
 Proc: existential Existent
Process Medium

Segment B

- A185. he moves it in
 Actor Proc: mat Goal Location: place (spatial)
 Agent Process Medium Location
- A186. he has it perched high on the mound of sand
 Initiator Proc: rel:circum Carrier Attribute Location: place (spat)
 Agent Process Medium Manner Location
- A187. and now that crouching leaning style towards the football
 Participant Location: place (spatial)
 Location
- A188. and then he attacks it
 Actor Process: mat Goal
 Agent Process Medium
- A189. and [he] boots it solidly towards goal
 Actor Proc: mat Goal Manner: quality Location: place (spatial)
 Agent Process Medium Manner Location
- A190. it looks a good kick
 Token Proc: intensive Value
 Medium Process Range
- A191. it 's a superb kick
 Token Proc: intensive Value
 Medium Process Range

Segment C

- A212. PW: now we watch the North Sydney Bears just outside their own twenty metre line
 [Carrier Location: place (spatial)]
 Medium Location
- A213. in fact they 're on their thirty
 Carrier Proc: intensive Location: place (spatial)
 Medium Process Location
- A214. -
- A215. and watching er the North Sydney side roll forward through Steve Trindall
 [Actor Proc: mat Location: place Manner: means]
 Medium Process Location Manner
- A216. he 's caught
 Goal Process: material
 Medium Process
- A217. and [he is] thrown to ground twenty or or ten from halfway I should say
 Goal Proc: mat Location: place (spatial) Location: place (spatial)
 Medium Process Location Location
- A218. the ball [goes] to the left edge of the ruck
 Actor Process: material Location: place (spatial)
 Medium Process Location
- A219. Eastern Suburbs [are] up very very quickly
 Carrier Proc: intensive Loc: place Manner: quality
 Medium Process Location Location

- to push Norths to ground on the halfway line
 Proc: material Goal Location: place Location: place (spatial)
Process Medium Location Location
- A220. and er it goes to the left side now
 Actor Proc: mat Loc: place (spatial) Loc: time (temp)
Medium Process Location Location
- A221. good hands [go] out wide to Billy Moore from Fairleigh
 Actor Proc: mat Loc: place Manner Location: place Location: place
Medium Process Location Location Location Location
- A222. and then further out to Ikin
 Location: place (spatial) Location: place (spatial)
Location Location
- A223. and he chips forward
 Actor Proc: material Circ: location
Medium Process Location
- A224. there 's a chase
 Proc: existential Existent
Process Medium
- A225. -
- A226. but back <<to take it>> is Sing
 Location: place Proc: intensive Carrier
Location Process Medium
- <<Proc: mat Goal>>
 <<Process Medium>>
- A227. -
- A228. he slices between Dallas
 Actor Proc: material Location: place (spatial)
Medium Process Location
- A229. who grabs him from behind
 Actor Proc: mat Goal Location: place (spatial)
Agent Process Medium Location
- A230. [he] sends the pass out wide
 Actor Proc: mat Goal Location: place Manner: quality
Agent Process Medium Location Manner
- A231. it 's taken by Clark
 Goal Proc: mat Actor
Medium Process Agent
- A232. and he is buried in a very very fine tackle out wide from Greg Florimo
 Goal Proc: mat Location: place Location Manner Location
Medium Process Location Location Manner Location

Segment D

- A239. eight metres away from the halfway line Lowrie is tackled
 Location: place (spatial) Goal Proc: material
Location Medium Process

- A240. ball [goes] to the right side
 Actor Process: material Location: place (spatial)
 Medium Process Location
- A241. Fittler distributes to Ir.. Tony Iro
 Actor Process: mat Beneficiary
 Agent Process Beneficiary (Medium is the ball)
- A242. ball [is] on the ground
 Carrier Process: intensive Attribute: circumstantial: location: place
 Medium Process Location
- A243. it 's knocked down by Norths
 Goal Proc: mat Location: place (spatial) Actor
 Medium Process Location Agent

Segment E

- A256. Cleary 's tackled forty-three out from the line
 Goal Proc: material Location: spatial
 Medium Process Location
- A257. Lam sends it to Fittler on the left edge of the ruck
 Actor Proc: material Goal Beneficiary: recipient
 Agent Process Medium Beneficiary
- A258. he 's met front on
 Goal Proc: mat Manner: quality
 Medium Process Manner
- A259. and [he is] drilled into the turf
 Goal Proc: mat Location: place (spatial)
 Medium Process Location
- A260. -
 A261. -
- A262. further to the left side of the ruck the ball [goes] away to Dunn
 Circumstance: location: spatial Actor Proc: mat Location Loc: place
 Location Medium Location Location
- A263. he 's charged to ground thirty metres out from the line
 Goal Proc: mat Location: place Location: place (spatial)
 Medium Process Location Location
- A264. and they open up the right side of the field
 Actor Proc: material Goal
 Agent Process Medium
- A265. Lam now gives it away to Tony Iro
 Actor Loc: time Proc: mat Goal Loc: place (spatial) Location: place (spatial)
 Agent Location Process Medium Location Location
- A266. [he] looks for the big palm
 Actor Proc: mat Goal
 Agent Process Medium
- A267. inside ball hits the deck
 Actor Proc: material Goal
 Agent Process Medium

- A268.back <<to pick it up>> is Lam
 Location Proc: intensive Carrier
Location Process Medium
 <<Proc: mat Goal>>
 <<Process Medium>>
- A269. [he] wheels around
 Actor Proc: material
Medium Process
- A270.[he] accelerates
 Actor Process: material
Medium Process
- A271.[he] can't get on the inside of Taylor
 Actor Process: mat Location: place (spatial)
Medium Process Location
- A272. he tries
 Actor Process: material
Medium Process
- A273.but Taylor grabs him
 Actor Process: material Goal
 Agent Process *Medium*
- A274.and [he] reels him in thirty-seven out from the goal-line
 Actor Process: mat Goal (proc. cont.) Location: place (spatial)
 Agent Process *Medium (proc. cont.) Location*
- A275.they play the ball quickly again
 Actor Proc: mat Goal Manner: quality Location: time (temp)
 Agent Process *Medium Manner Location*
- A276.and a fine body-slammng tackle [is] coming in on Cleary from big David Fairleigh with Gary Larson
 Actor Proc: mat Loc: place (spatial) Location: spatial
 Medium Process *Location Location*
- A277. the ball's going to be hoisted high by Walker into the breeze
 Goal Proc: material Manner: quality Actor Location
 Medium Process *Manner Agent Location*
- A278.it comes back towards him
 Actor Proc: mat Location: place (spatial) Location: place (spatial)
 Medium Process *Location Location*
- A279.and it 's taken by Cleary
 Goal Proc: material Actor
 Medium Process *Agent*
- A280.[he] whips it out the back
 Actor Proc: material Goal Location: place (spatial)
 Agent Process *Medium Location*
- A281.it 's knocked backwards by Iro
 Goal Proc: material Location: place (spatial) Actor
 Medium Process *Location Agent*
- A282.and er then he chips for the corner
 Actor Proc: material Cause: reason
 Medium Process *Cause*

A283. now there's a chase back for Roy
 Proc: existential Existent Location: place (spatial) Cause: reason
 Process Medium Location Cause

A284. and [there is] an awkward bouncing ball
 Process: existential Existent
 Process Medium

A285. he 's missed it
 Actor Proc: mat Goal
 Agent Process Medium

A286. he er regathers
 Actor Process: material
 Agent Process (Medium ellipted)

SegmentF

A294. PW: now Gary Larson steams towards the thirty metre line
 Actor Proc: mat Location: place (spatial)
 Medium Process Location

A295. they 're twenty-five out from their own line
 Carrier Proc: intensive Location: place (spatial)
 Medium Process Location

A296. Soden releases to the right side to Billy Moore
 Actor Proc: material Location: place (spatial) Location: (place) spatial
 Medium Process Location Location

A297. then [it goes] on to Taylor
 Actor Proc: material Location: place (spatial)
 Medium Location Location

A298. then [it goes] further afield to Greg Florimo approaching the right touchline
 Actor Proc: material Loc: place (spat) Loc: place (spatial)
 Medium Process Location Location

A299. Dallas doesn't receive the ball
 Beneficiary Proc: material Goal
 Beneficiary Process Medium

A300. he goes to ground
 Actor Proc: material Location
 Medium Process Location

A301. now a kick downfield comes in from Buettner
 Goal Proc: mat Location: place Location: place (source)
 Medium Process Location Location

A302. and [there is] a chase
 Process: existential Existent
 Process Medium

A303. er [there is] a high ball down field
 Process: existential Existent Location: place (spatial)
 Process Medium Location

A304. and it er bounces away from Cleary
 Actor Proc: mat Location: place (spatial)
 Medium Process Location

A305. here 's Dallas on him
Location Proc:intensive Carrier Location: place (spatial)
Location Process Medium Location

A306. oh and he stops him
Actor Proc: material Goal
Agent Process Medium

A307. and [he] tackles him around the thighs
Actor Proc: material Goal Location: place (spatial)
Agent Process Medium Location

A308. almost a double tackle there is
Existent Proc: existential
Medium Process

APPENDIX XI

Analysis of Verbal Groups in the ABC Play-by-Play Extract

Segment A

A139. (VG omission)		
A140. not play-by-play		
A141. goes	∅	(simple present)
A142. he's	∅	(simple present)
A143. pilots	∅	(simple present)
A144. goes	∅	(simple present)
A145. [it is] taken	∅	(present passive)
A146. accelerates	∅	(simple present)
A147. (VG omission)		
A148. not play-by-play		
A149. it's	∅	(simple present)
A150. makes	∅	(simple present)
A151. he's	∅	(simple present)
A152. he's tackled	∅	(simple present)
A153. there's going to be	∅+	(present imminent time)

Segment B

A185. moves	∅	(simple present)
A186. has	∅	(simple present)
A187. (VG omission)		
A188. attacks	∅	(simple present)
A189. [he] boots	∅	(simple present)
A190. looks	∅	(simple present)
A191. it's	∅	(simple present)

Segment C

A212. (N/A)		
A213. they're	∅	(simple present)
A214. not play-by-play		
A215. roll	∅	(simple present)
A216. he's caught	∅	(present passive)
A217. [he is] thrown	∅	(present passive)
A218. [goes]	∅	(simple present)
A219. Eastern Suburbs [are]	∅	(simple present)
to push		(non-finite)
A220. goes	∅	(simple present)
A221. [go]	∅	(simple present)
A222. [go/goes]	∅	(simple present)
A223. and he chips	∅	(simple present)
A224. there's	∅	(simple present)
A225. not play-by-play		
A226. but back <<to take it>> is	∅	(simple present)
A227. not play-by-play		
A228. slices	∅	(simple present)
A229. grabs	∅	(simple present)
A230. [he] sends	∅	(simple present)
A231. it's taken	∅	(present passive)
A232. he is buried	∅	(present passive)

Segment D

A239. is tackled	∅	(present passive)
A240. [goes]	∅	(simple present)
A241. distributes	∅	(simple present)
A242. [is]	∅	(simple present)
A243. it's knocked	∅	(present passive)

Segment E

A256. Cleary's tackled	∅	(present passive)
A257. sends	∅	(simple present)
A258. he's met	∅	(present passive)
A259. [he is] drilled	∅	(present passive)
A260. not play-by-play		
A261. not play-by-play		
A262. [goes]	∅	(simple present)
A263. he's charged	∅	(present passive)
A264. they open up	∅	(simple present, phrasal verb)
A265. gives ... away	∅	(simple present, phrasal verb)
A266. [he] looks for	∅	(simple present)
A267. hits	∅	(simple present)
A268. back <<to pick it up>> is	∅	(simple present)
A269. [he] wheels around	∅	(simple present)
A270. [he] accelerates	∅	(simple present)
A271. [he] can't get	∅	(simple present)
A272. he tries	∅	(simple present)
A273. Taylor grabs	∅	(simple present)
A274. [he] reels ... in	∅	(simple present)
A275. play	∅	(simple present)
A276. [is] coming	∅∅	(present progressive)
A277. the ball's going to be hoisted	∅+	(present, imminent time)
A278. it comes	∅	(simple present)
A279. it's taken	∅	(present passive)
A280. [he] whips	∅	(simple present)
A281. it's knocked	∅	(present passive)
A282. he chips	∅	(simple present)
A283. there's	∅	(simple present)
A284. [is]	∅	(simple present)
A285. he's missed	∅-	(present perfective)
A286. regathers	∅	(simple present)

Segment F

A294. steams	∅	(simple present)
A295. they're	∅	(simple present)
A296. releases	∅	(simple present)
A297. [goes]	∅	(simple present)
A298. [goes]	∅	(simple present)
A299. doesn't receive	∅	(simple present)
A300. goes	∅	(simple present)
A301. comes	∅	(simple present)
A302. [is]	∅	(simple present)
A303. [is]	∅	(simple present)
A304. bounces	∅	(simple present)
A305. here's	∅	(simple present)
A306. stops	∅	(simple present)
A307. [he] tackles	∅	(simple present)
A308. is	∅	(simple present)

APPENDIX XII

Theme Analysis of the ABC Extract

Segment	Thematic Elements	Classification of Thematic Elements
A	A139.PW: twelve or twenty-two metres from the half-way line A140. - A141. it A142. he A143. and [he - topical Theme ellipsis] A144. but it A145. [it - Theme ellipsis] A146. who A147. and just inside Sydney City territory again A148. - A149. as it A150. he A151. he A152. he A153. and there	topical (circumstantial) - topical (participant) topical (participant) textual, (topical ellipsis) textual, topical (participant) Theme ellipsis topical (participant) textual, topical (circumstantial) - textual, topical (participant) topical (participant) topical (participant) topical (participant) textual, topical (structural)
B	A185. he A186. he A187. and now that crouching leaning style A188. and then he A189. and [he - topical Theme ellipsis] A190. it A191. it	topical (participant) topical (participant) textual, topical (participant) textual, topical (participant) textual, (topical ellipsis) topical (participant) topical (participant)
C	A212.PW: <i>now we watch</i> the North Sydney Bears A213. in fact they A214. - A215. <i>and watching</i> er the North Sydney side A216. he A217. and [he - topical Theme ellipsis] A218. the ball A219. Eastern Suburbs A220. and er it A221. good hands A222. and then further out A223. and he A224. there A225. - A226. but back A227. - A228. he A229. who A230. [he - Theme ellipsis] A231. it A232. and he	topical (participant) textual, topical (participant) - topical (participant) topical (participant) textual, (topical ellipsis) topical (participant) topical (participant) textual, topical (participant) topical (participant) textual, topical (circumstance) textual, topical (participant) topical (existential) - textual, topical (circumstantial) - topical (participant) topical (participant) Theme ellipsis topical (participant) textual, topical (participant)
D	A239. eight metres away from the halfway line A240. ball A241. Fittler A242. ball A243. it	topical (circumstantial) topical (participant) topical (participant) topical (participant) topical (participant)

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APPENDIX XIII

Thematic Progression in the 2GB Extract

GB469.GH: back now it goes to David Fairleigh

GB470.Fairleigh down the centre of the ground twenty metres out from his own goalline

GB471.and [he is] put down in strong defence from Eastern Suburbs

GB472.now it's gone to Soden

GB473.good pass across to Josh Stuart

GB474.he aims we.. up well

GB475.and again a strong tackle by Logan over the top

GB476.giving it across now

GB477.it goes to Steve Trindall

GB478.he steps back inside



GB479.*[he] beat the first line*



GB480.eventually they catch up with him



GB481.and [they] drag him to the ground thirty out from the North Sydney line

GB482.now it goes back this time to Larson

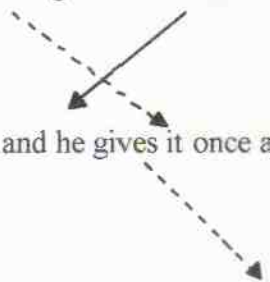


GB483.the pass [goes] back inside to Florimo



GB484.but he's cut down by Sean Garlick

GB485.it's gone to Soden



GB486.and he gives it once again to David Fairleigh

GB487.*beautiful hands that time*

GB488.it goes to Billy Moore



GB489.[it goes] out to Ben Ikin



GB490.Ikin puts a little kick in downfield too



GB491.*[it] nearly hit the referee*

GB492.but a nice pick up this time from Mattie Sing for Eastern Suburbs



GB493.[he] heads to the far side of the ground



GB494.[he] links up beautifully this time with Peter Clark

GB495.RM: [oh what a] tackle

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GB502.but now Lowrie [is] getting up very slowly



GB503.*[he] might've hurt his knee*

GB504.but it's gone across to Fittler



GB505.he gives it straight out to Tony Iro

GB506.Billy Moore's come into contact with that ball

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GB510.and the referee'll blow that up

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GB520.... North Sydney take up their defensive role

GB521.and Eastern Suburbs will play it via Cleary

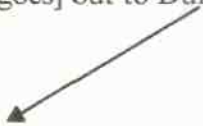
GB522.[it goes] straight back now to Fittler

GB523.he tries to put the bust on

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GB526.but it's gone once again to Garlick

GB527.[it goes] out to Dunn



GB528.[he] tried to slide under the tackle of Florimo very wide



GB529.but [he is] pulled down once again thirty out now from the Bears' line

GB530.Adrian Lam shows it out wide



GB531.he gives it to Iro



GB532.Iro [is] standing out in the centres



GB533.he flicked it back to Walker



GB534.Walker's gone without it

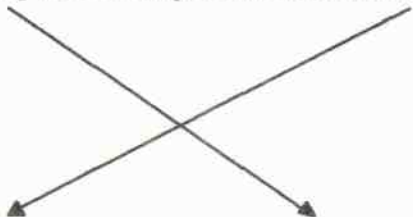
GB535.Lam's there || to pick up the dregs



GB536.he does that now



GB537.[he] tries to step back inside Jason Taylor



GB538.but Taylor's there || to nail him

GB539.still forty out from the Bears' line

GB540.it's back with Garlick

GB541.he sends it across now to Ivan Cleary

GB547.GH: [it has] gone straight back once again now to Walker

GB548.who's put a high kick up

GB549.*Mattie Seers hasn't taken his eyes off the ball*

GB550.he's come through

GB551.but it's gone back to Cleary

GB552.then [it's gone] on to Iro

GB553.he's knocked it back towards his own line



GB554.he gets a kick in

GB555.*Nigel Roy came up [...?...]*



GB556.he scurries back || to get the football



GB557.and he is nailed about two metres out from the Bears' line

GB567.it's gone back to Buettner

GB568.Buettner puts a high ball up



GB569.*a swirling wind prevailing here*

GB570.but er Cleary [is] very cautiously taking that football



GB571.and Dallas [is] right on his hammer with a good chase

GB575.but the arm of Ward has gone up towards Eastern Suburbs

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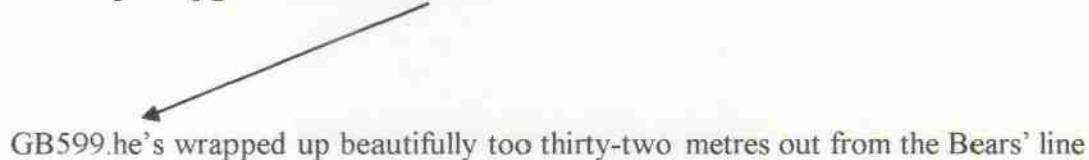
GB595.GH: back it goes now to Garlick



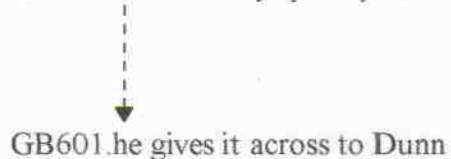
GB596.he sends it across to Iro

GB597.in possession [are] the Sydney City Roosters

GB598.[it has] gone back to Peter Clark now



GB600.Garlick very quickly at the dummy-half



GB601.he gives it across to Dunn

APPENDIX XIV

Thematic Progression in the ABC Extract

Segment A

A139. PW: twelve or twenty-two metres from the half-way line

A140. *last tackle*

A141. it goes to Walker

A142. he's just outside his own twenty

A143. and [he] pilots the ball downfield

A144. but it goes virtually nowhere into the breeze

A145. [it is] taken by Seers

A146. who accelerates to the half-way line

A147. and just inside Sydney City territory again

A148. *you can hear that breeze whistling in the background*

A149. as it's with Nigel Roy now

A150. he makes a few metres on the right side of the ruck

A151. he's now forty-two out

A152. he's tackled

A153. and there's going to be a penalty against Andrew Walker

Segment B

A185. he moves it in

A186. he has it perched high on the mound of sand

A187. and now that crouching leaning style towards the football

A188. and then he attacks it

A189. and [he] boots it solidly towards goal

A190. it looks a good kick

A191. it's a superb kick

Segment C

A212. PW: *now we watch* the North Sydney Bears just outside their own twenty metre line

A213. in fact they're on their thirty

A214. *a good crowd here at Bear Park*

A215. *and watching er the North Sydney side roll forward through Steve Trindall*

A216. he's caught

A217. and [he is] thrown to ground twenty or or ten from halfway || *I should say*

A218. the ball to the left edge of the ruck

A219. Eastern Suburbs [are] up very very quickly || to push Norths to ground on the halfway line

A220. and er it goes to the left side now

A221. good hands out wide to Billy Moore from Fairleigh

A222. and then further out to Ikin

A223. and he chips forward

A224. there's a chase

A225. *bounce important here*

A226. but back <<to take it>> is Sing

A227. and he has a little bit of room in front

A228. he slices between Dallas

A229. who grabs him from behind

A230. [he] sends the pass out wide

A231. it's taken by Clark

A232. and he is buried in a very very fine tackle out wide from Greg Florimo

Segment D

A239. eight metres away from the halfway line Lowrie is tackled

A240. ball to the right side

A241. Fittler distributes to Ir.. Tony Iro

A242. ball on the ground

A243. it's knocked down by Norths

Segment E

A256. Cleary's tackled forty-three out from the line

A257. Lam sends it to Fittler on the left edge of the ruck

A258. he's met front on
 A259. and [he is] drilled into the turf
 A260. that was a good hit by Gary Larson
 A261. er meeting him front on with Billy Moore
 A262. further to the left side of the ruck the ball away to Dunn
 A263. he's charged to ground thirty metres out from the line
 A264. and they open up the right side of the field
 A265. Lam now gives it away to Tony Iro
 A266. [he] looks for the big palm
 A267. inside ball hits the deck
 A268. back <<to pick it up>> is Lam
 A269. [he] wheels around
 A270. [he] accelerates
 A271. [he] can't get on the inside of Taylor
 A272. he tries
 A273. but Taylor grabs him
 A274. and [he] reels him in thirty-seven out from the goal-line
 A275. they play the ball quickly again
 A276. and a fine body-slamming tackle [is] coming in on Cleary from big David Fairleigh with Gary Larson
 A277. the ball's going to be hoisted high by Walker into the breeze
 A278. it comes back towards him
 A279. and it's taken by Cleary
 A280. [he] whips it out the back
 A281. it's knocked backwards by Iro
 A282. and er then he chips for the corner
 A283. now there's a chase back for Roy
 A284. and an awkward bouncing ball
 A285. he's missed it
 A286. he er regathers
 A287. as he was under extreme pressure from Matt Sing a metre out from his own goal line and also Junea

Segment F

A294. PW: now Gary Larson steams towards the thirty metre line

A295. they're twenty-five out from their own line

A296. Soden releases to the right side to Billy Moore

A297. then on to Taylor

A298. then further afield to Greg Florimo approaching the right touchline

A299. Dallas doesn't receive the ball

A300. he goes to ground

A301. now a kick downfield comes in from Buettner

A302. and a chase

A303. er a high ball down field

A304. and it er bounces away from Cleary

A305. here's Dallas on him

A306. oh and he stops him

A307. and [he] tackles him around the thighs

A308. almost a double tackle there is