

FOOTY COVERAGE

YARRABINDA

I am sorry to say that Babinda lost in all grades. The C Grade was thrashed by 40 to 28. Andrew Wilson and Clifty Richards in their first games, both put tries on the board for Babinda, which was lucky for them. I hope we will see more of them in the game because they sure put a big hand in on Saturday night.

Well our boys couldn't break the davies Park hoodoo. We went down to Mareeba B Grade by 32 points to 30. The best way to overcome those hoodoos is to stay off the grog on Friday nights. That's all there is to it, and it isn't much to ask.

U18's lost again, so there isn't much to say about them, except to mention two good tries by Yarrabah and N.Q. representative, Brian Davidson, and also there should be more backing up to Ross Andrews (centre), who sometimes makes those surprising busts in the backline.

Bad luck to the A Graders, who were beaten by the bell. There were thrilling performances by Eddie Murgha and David Lillie from Yarrabah, but they should hold the ball when they make those deadly, defence breaking runs. Anyway two points isn't a big margin and they're still equal on top.

We'll catch them on our home ground in warmer conditions.

Yarrabinda B Grade is now second.

Congratulations go to Bert Harris, Jansen Yeatman and Hilton Bulmer for making the Cairns U19 side.

vs IVANHOES

In this section I am glad to say we are now equal top with Mareeba again. We beat Ivanhoes 18 to 10, and Brothers beat Mareeba. The C Graders haven't got their act together yet, as with the U18's. Brian Davidson and Peter Street played magnificently.

The A Graders are now second after beating 'Hoes 18 to 12. Eddie, David, and Roderick all scored one try each. A Yarrabah hat trick.

Congratulations to B Grade Yarrabinda for going out on a winning streak in the first round. We are back on top again, and let's make sure we stay there.

vs KANGAROOS

From now on into the second round I will be covering mostly B Grade matches because all the Yarrabah boys are in this side. I will give some reports on the A Grade.

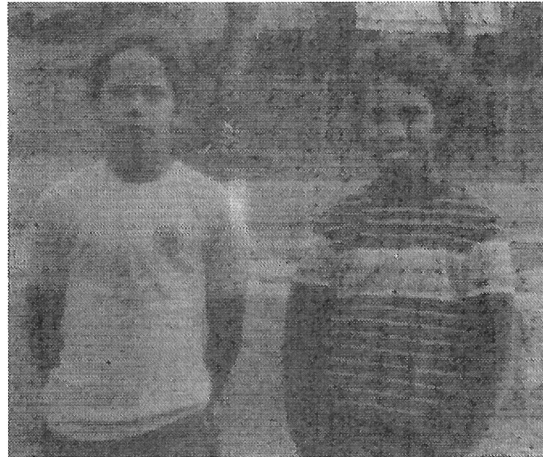
Well we played 'Roos and boy, what a match. We came close to a thrashing after they were beating us 22 — 10 in the second half, but we overcame that to win 29 — 28, with Frank Bligh's field goal proving invaluable. We are now clear on top in B Division, but it is not over yet. We will have to train harder now, because every game is going to get harder.

In the A Grade, congratulations go to David Lillie for putting in two tries in their 30 — 16 win over 'Roos.

TWO YOUNG REPS.

Two young footballers from the Yarrabah State School U12 Rugby League Team have been chosen to play in the Peninsula Representative Side to play in the State Trials in Brisbane.

Anthony Sexton and Leon Yeatman will leave Yarrabah on July the 16th to fly to Brisbane, for the Schoolboys State Trials. The trials will cover a period of two weeks and the boys will return home on the 29th of July. Their fares will be paid by the Aboriginal Development Commission.



CLOSE ENOUGH



Rugby League is a favourite sport of many young men at Yarrabah. And the closest some of them can get to it is Touch Football in the local park. Here a bunch of lads take time out for an improvised "team photo".