

Cries of victory from Drummoyne and the golden oldies

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Veterans Day was celebrated at Drummoyne oval this month when the Mosman Whales were hosted by the Drummoyne Dirty Reds.

The annual golden oldies match showed the former players had skills to show, as the Vintage Reds overcame Mosman 5-0 in a close fought battle.

In the main game the previously undefeated Drummoyne first grade side held a commanding 22-3 half time lead, after early points were scored.

Hooker Tim Cruikshank's defence was outstanding, leading to a turnover from club captain and open side flanker Nathan Landrey, which was then capitalised by blind side flanker Chris Apisala, who stormed over the line for the first points.

Centres Chris Sione and Alex Farani helped Drummoyne make



Left, Dirty Reds first grade defeated Mosman 27-15. Right, patron of Drummoyne Rugby, John Mulford and club secretary Scott Carrodus at the Veteran's Day game.



metres up the middle of the field, and after a number of phases, captain and scrum-half Craig Martin scored next to the corner flag.

Drummoyne seemed well in control of the match at halftime but Mosman scored early in the second half. The Mosman comeback was

short lived however, as Craig Martin snuck down the sideline once again to score his second try for the day.

An intercept try to Mosman on the final whistle cemented Drummoyne's victory of 27-15.

Drummoyne second grade had their fourth consecutive tight win of

the season by overcoming Mosman 17-12.

In other matches, third and fourth grades lost 19-10 and 10-0 respectively, fifth grade drew 10-10 and the Colts had their best game of the season, picking up a bonus point in a 21-20 loss.