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ACTION from the pre-season match between Brisbane City and Newcastle United as one of the United players "jumps" on the ball as FRANK PIMBLETT and ROBERTO ECHEVERRIA close in. City return to Perry Park this weekend after a two weeks break to take on West Adelaide.

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As next Tuesday is Anzac Day and is therefore a public holiday, there will be no mail deliveries. So, for next weeks issue, copy for GO SOCCER must reach the editor by Monday Evening.

TRAVELODGE "PLAYER OF THE YEAR" AWARDS

EVERY weekend at Perry Park, an independant judge will award points on a 3-2-1 basis for Brisbane Lions' and Brisbane City's home matches in the Travelodge Player of the Year and Player of the Week awards.

The player to receive the three points rating, wins a dinner for two at the Polynesian Room at Brisbane Travelodge and the player to accumulate most points at the end of the season wins a trip to Sydney for two, flying TAA.

While in Sydney, the pair will stay at the Camperdown Travelodge, enjoying a weeks free accommodation and will also have the free usage of a Kay-Hertz Rentacar.

Last weekend the points were awarded:

Brisbane Lions v St. George — April 16

- 3 — COL BENNETT
- 2 — JIM HERMISTON
- 1 — EDDIE SPEARRITT

The progressive points after seven home matches (four for Lions and three for City) are:

- 5 — STEVE PERRY (BC)
- LARRY GAFFNEY (BC)
- GEOFF MORRIS (BL)
- 4 — FRANK PIMBLETT (BC)
- 3 — ALAN NIVEN (BL)
- NIGEL LOWNDS (BL)
- JIM HERMISTON (BL)
- COL BENNETT (BL)
- 2 — JOHN NEALE (BL)
- WILLIE CONNER (BC)
- GRAHAM WILSON (BL)
- 1 — BARRIE FAIRBROTHER (BL)
- ALAN MARLEY (BC)
- KEVIN CALDWELL (BC)
- PAUL LASLO (BL)
- EDDIE SPEARRITT (BL)

Remember the people who sponsor soccer —
BRISBANE TRAVELODGE and KAY-HERTZ RENTACAR and TAA.

NATIONAL PHILIPS LEAGUE ROUND-UP

Wishart the Hero

MELBOURNE — A shock goal ten minutes from time gave Brisbane City an upset 1-0 win over title challengers South Melbourne in their Philips League clash at Middle Park.

But Brisbane City's real hero was Kim Wishart, whose brilliant display of goal-keeping set the scene for his team's first away win of the season.

Substitute Willie Conner set up the winner with a defence splitting pass.

Without breaking his stride, Roberto Echeverria scored with a penetrating right footer that gave John Hansen no chance in the South Melbourne goal.

It had taken few brilliant reflex saves from Wishart to keep City in the game through the first half, dominated by South Melbourne.

Two brilliant saves stand out, one from a Duncan Cummings' drive and the 2nd from a Cummings' header.

In the second half it was Socceroo striker Peter Ollerton's turn to be foiled by Wishart, once with a superb diving save and then from a close range header.

But even Wishart needed help to Rob Ollerton a third time when Larry Gaffney headed clear off the goal line.

South Melbourne coach Dave McLaren complained his team should have come in at half time with the game won.

"If you don't get the goals quickly then the longer it goes the worse it gets, and that's exactly what happened.

"We made our chances but didn't take them. Wishart had a tremendous game", he said.

City coach Denis Ford conceded South Melbourne dominated the first half, "maybe 70-30" he said.

"But we showed a lot of guts after the interval and didn't let them settle on the ball. Wishart had another blinder. You just couldn't fault him," Ford said.

Marconi Run Riot

SYDNEY — Philips League leaders Marconi celebrated the opening of their new one hundred thousand dollars stand by Deputy Premier Jack Ferguson by administering a 6-2 hiding to third placed Western Suburbs at Marconi Oval.

The honours fell thick and fast to former Italian first division star Roberto Vieri, who netted a superb hat trick with

penalties in the 10th and 78th minutes and a further goal in between.

West's made the utterly unbelievable mistake of contributing to Marconi's festivities by letting Vieri roam wide and free without attempting to mark him.

The havoc he created was incredible and for good measure he had a hand in Bert Mariani's 70th minute goal as well.

The match started sensationally with West's striker Clive Eaton pushing Marconi full back Barry Jones in the penalty area — a stroke of luck, because it was more of a technical offence — and Vieri scored from the spot.

Four goals went in during a seven minute spree.

Jimmy Rooney flighted a rising ball in the 13th minute and West's came back with two more.

Socceroo Dave Harding scored a gift 16th minute goal, and within another minute Clive Eaton headed a superb equaliser from Brian O'Donnell's head high cross.

At this stage it appeared that the absence of the suspended Ivo Prskalo and Gary Byrne, who failed a pre-match fitness test had sent Marconi's defence reeling.

Although Marconi's Ray Richards was beginning to assert himself in the back four, Andy Scott (twice) and Brian Dodd went close for West's in the closing minutes of the half.

In the 53rd minute O'Donnell was taken off by stretcher after being decked in an accidental clash of heads with the redoubtable Richards.

This misfortune, followed by a knock on Scott, signalled West's demise and after conceding only four goals in six matches they ended the game ignominiously with six more going in.

In the 64th minute, Mark Jankovics' sheer determination saw him finish with a goal from the move he had initiated near half way.

Mariani's lob found the net in the 70th, Vieri smashed his shot under the hapless Terry Eaton and in the 78th Peter Sharne was upended by Warren Turnbull for Vieri to net another penalty.

Referee Doug Rennie handled the tough game well, distributing yellow card cautions evenly to Jones and Richards of Marconi and Terry Eaton and John Vernon of West's.

Champions Down

SYDNEY — Two brilliantly conceived and executed goals lifted Adelaide City to a 2-1 victory over Philips League Champions Hakoah at Wentworth Park.

Both goals were masterminded by the polished John Nyskohus.

However in his case the lack of height helped him as the small striker was able to dart through the smallest of gaps past the outstretched legs of Hakoah defenders.

In the eighth minute he combined cleverly with Sergio Melta to receive a through ball behind the defence, before skating into the box and driving the ball low into the near corner.

Adelaide gave hope to many "pure" football fans by starting the opening 20 minutes with some tantalising football.

Though the City players put on this exhibition of possession football spraying the ball around amongst their colleagues with gay abandon, the critical pass through the strikers never eventuated.

Though technically outplayed in this opening spell, Hakoah never gave up and hit back suddenly in the 23rd minute.

A corner from Kevin Mullen was not cleared by the City defenders, allowing the ball to drop at the feet of Ernie Campbell who gladly put the ball into the net from five metres.

This goal was the signal for a Hakoah revival and from then on it was they who created more numerous chances.

But the Hakoah attack was well below par with Campbell very uncompetitive and winger Joe Watson in mild form.

Their only danger man was Hilton Silva, the Brazilian left winger, but he was amazingly under-used.

In the second period Adelaide looked content to drop back in numbers surrendering mid field to Hakoah and concentrate on breakaways.

Several of these came to nought when young replacement striker Robert Marwe panicked at the vital last stage and kicked wildly over the goal.

In the 68th minute he had a golden chance to grab the lead back for City but with only the keeper to beat put the ball yards over the bar.

Nyskohus showed him the way to go about grabbing a last grasp winner by initiating an 88th minute goal.

Playing the ball out deep from his

own half to defender Fred Yung, Nyskohus sped into the Hakoah box, received the low cross and sent the ball on to Brian Northcote, who rammed home a simple but important goal from 10 metres.

It was by no means a brilliant or even entertaining match but was illuminating in that it showed up problems in both sides. For Adelaide their weak attack which still lacks a dominant figure and for Hakoah their nervous and brittle defence.

Westad-Wilt

ADELAIDE — Footscray scored a shock 2-1 win over West Adelaide in the dying moments of their Philips League clash at Hindmarsh Stadium.

West Adelaide led 1-0 at half time but were swept off their feet by a sparkling Footscray side in the second half.

Footscray scored the vital goals in the 82nd and 85th minutes.

West Adelaide were in control from the start and Footscray rarely looked dangerous.

Young striker Vic Bozanic opened the scoring in the 31st minute when he pounced onto a rebound and lashed it past Footscray goalkeeper Dennis Boland.

Moments before half time, West Adelaide defender David Jones made a desperate clearance on the goal line with his defence in disarray and West Adelaide were under a great deal of pressure in the last few minutes of the half.

Footscray continued with their pressure tactics after half time but West Adelaide managed to turn them back.

West Adelaide looked like holding out until Joe Piciaone went through the defence and slotted the ball past Wests' keeper Martyn Crook in the 82nd minute.

Three minutes later, Mirko Rujevic exploited a defensive error and neatly speared the ball around Crook from 10 metres.

West Adelaide coach John Margaritis must take some blame for the defeat for employing negative tactics in the second half.

He also made a fatal decision by substituting Alec Zervas and bringing on Graham Norris, who had not recovered from a bout of flu.

Zervas had been a menace to Footscray all day while Norris was unable to get into the game.

PHILIPS LEAGUE STANDINGS

HOME	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Marconi	4	3	1	—	14	5	7
W. Suburbs	4	1	3	—	6	4	5
Sth. Melbourne	4	1	2	1	5	3	4
Brisbane City	3	2	—	1	5	4	4
Canberra City	4	—	4	—	7	7	4
Fitzroy Utd.	3	1	1	1	2	4	3
E. Suburbs	4	1	1	2	4	6	3
Brisbane Lions	4	—	3	1	3	6	3
Syd. Olympic	3	1	—	2	3	3	2
Adelaide City	3	1	—	2	1	2	2
St. George	3	1	—	2	4	6	2
West Adelaide	4	1	—	3	5	7	2
Footscray	3	—	1	2	1	5	1
Newcastle Utd.	3	—	1	2	2	6	1

AWAY	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Syd. Olympic	4	2	2	—	4	2	6
E. Suburbs	3	2	1	—	8	2	5
Marconi	3	2	1	—	5	0	5
Sth. Melbourne	3	2	1	—	5	1	5
Footscray	4	2	1	1	3	4	5
West Adelaide	3	1	2	—	3	2	4
Adelaide City	4	1	2	1	6	6	4
W. Suburbs	3	2	—	1	6	6	4
Newcastle Utd.	4	1	2	1	6	8	4
Canberra City	3	1	1	1	5	5	3
St. George	4	1	1	2	4	4	3
Brisbane Lions	3	1	1	1	5	6	3
Brisbane City	4	1	—	3	4	7	2
Fitzroy Utd.	4	—	2	2	4	9	2

AGGREGATE	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Marconi	7	5	2	—	19	5	12
Sth. Melbourne	7	3	3	1	10	4	9
W. Suburbs	7	3	3	1	12	10	9
E. Suburbs	7	3	2	2	12	8	8
Syd. Olympic	7	3	2	2	7	5	8
Canberra City	7	1	5	1	12	12	7
West Adelaide	7	2	2	3	8	9	6
Adelaide City	7	2	2	3	7	8	6
Brisbane City	7	3	—	4	9	11	6
Brisbane Lions	7	1	4	2	8	12	6
Footscray	7	2	2	3	4	9	6
St. George	7	2	1	4	8	10	5
Newcastle Utd.	7	1	3	3	8	14	5
Fitzroy Utd.	7	1	3	3	6	13	5

LEADING P.S.L. GOALSCORERS

5 Goals—

Mark Jankovics (Marconi)
Clive Eaton (Wests)

4 Goals—

Ivan Gruicic (Canberra)
Terry Byrne (Canberra)
Roberto Viari (Marconi)
Peter Ollerton (South Melbourne)

3 Goals—

Allan Fisher (Wests)
Ken Boden (Newcastle)

Roberto Echeverria (Brisbane City)
John Nyskohus (Adelaide City)
Alan Hughes (Lions)
Phil O'Connor (St. George)
Jim Rooney (Marconi)
Gary Byrne (Marconi)
Joe Senkalski (Olympic)
Alan Marley (Brisbane City)
John Stevenson (Easts)
Gary Cole (Fitzroy)

DUNDEE TICKETS

THE QSF has advised of the following arrangements for tickets covering the match between Queensland and Dundee at Perry Park on Sunday, May 21. Tickets for the seating area under cover between the two dressing room races will be pre-sold. The tickets are \$5 each for adults, children and pensioners and provide the holder with a numbered, reserved seat.

Tickets for the remainder of the area under cover, seated or standing on a first in best dressed basis are \$4 adults and \$2 children and pensioners. All tickets for the outer will be sold at \$2 adults and 50 cents children and pensioners. There will be a big crowd, so get in early and book now at Perry Park.

WEEKEND REFEREES

RICHLANDS v EAGLES

Referee: Des Miles
Linesmen: Mike Brine,
Leon Lewandowski

MERTON v IPSWICH UNITED

Referee: Ron Richmond
Linesmen: Des Miles, Ken Davis

SUNNYSIDE v THISTLE

Referee: Jack Wood
Linesmen: Col Amos, Garth Goodwin

REDLANDS v ST. GEORGE

Referee: Dave Nugent
Linesmen: Brian Luxton,
Bill Turkington

ANNERLEY v NORTH BRISBANE

Referee: Bill Monteverde
Linesmen: Des Miles,
Gordon Nicholson

MT. GRAVATT v SPENCER PARK

Referee: Barry Such
Linesmen: Kel Fisher,
Leon Lewandowski

THISTLE ON THE BOARD

GRANGE Thistle ended a few weeks of frustration for Barry Dann, George Pagan and supporters when they survived a 30 minute opening onslaught by the young Richlands side before coming away to win 3-0.

With some probing up front by Barrie Fairbrother and tremendous running on the left wing by Craig Low, Richlands had John Wilkinson's backline at full stretch for the first 30 minutes. Low made one stylish run, beating Hugh Lazenby pointlessly before being halted abruptly by a crude tackle just outside the area.

Johnny Ogden, with some fine touches and the aggressive Rodger Lawrie almost completely wiped Steve Dolan and John Patterson out of mid field business. Fairbrother, who showed on a number of occasions that he is getting back to top form, rammmed a header over the bar from the six yard line after a corner, when the chance should never have eventuated but for some laxity by Peter Gee. Later Gee made amends when he came out to deflect a goalward shot from Fairbrother past the post after the big striker had broken away in pursuit of an Ogden pass from the mid field.

But Richlands lost the grip on the match when they failed to show something for all their good early work, and Thistle bounced back to snatch the lead in the 30th minute via Tony Bailey's head, following a good Duncan Taylor pass. Patterson by now was beginning to make his mark on the game and a tremendous pass a minute from half time enabled left winger Jim Lavery to rifle a blistering shot past Paul Scanlan.

Thistle added the third 24 minutes after half time and Patterson could scarcely believe his fortune when a long speculator from deep on the left following a Lavery corner caught Scanlan badly out of position and the ball floated into the far corner. Richlands produced only a shadow of their earlier efforts in the second half, their backline being under considerable pressure after the loss through injury of Wally Lesniak. It is obvious this team needs one older head in the back line to be able to continue to trouble every team in the competition. From Thistle's point of view a most satisfactory performance.

Just how much Thistle were dominated

in those opening 30 minutes was highlighted by a pep-talk from Dolan near half time. "We've been playing bloody awful but we're a goal up. In the last two matches we've played much better but have had nothing to show for it. So don't worry about it". Referee Ron Richmond displeased the crowd on a number of occasions when he refused to allow the advantage and we thought the yellow card for Lawrie, who grabbed Dolan's hand in desperation with a few minutes to go, was a bit unnecessary. Lawrie had done nothing wrong previously and even Dolan appeared to be pleading his case for him. They lined up—

THISTLE

	Gee		
Lazenby	Jones	Wilkinson	Sampson
Dolan	Taylor	Patterson	
Swan	Bailey	Lavery	

RICHLANDS

	Scanlan		
N. Van Kerkvoort		Ball	
Lesniak (Manning)		J. Van Kerkvoort	
Ogden	Lawrie	McGregor	
Sleight	Fairbrother	Low	

Q.S.F. — QANTAS POINTS TABLES

QANTAS is providing prizemoney of \$1750 for the first division premiers, \$750 for second division premiers and a further \$1500 for the lower division knockout Cup.

FIRST DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Redlands	3	2	1	—	6	1	5
Merton	4	2	1	1	6	3	5
Eagles	3	2	1	—	6	4	5
Nth. Brisbane	4	1	2	1	9	9	4
Thistle	3	1	1	1	5	3	3
Richlands	3	1	1	1	6	6	3
Annerley	3	—	3	—	3	3	3
Mt. Gravatt	4	1	1	2	7	10	3
Spencer Park	3	1	1	1	4	7	3
Ipswich Utd.	3	1	—	2	4	5	2
Sunnyside	3	1	—	2	6	8	2
St. George	4	—	2	2	5	8	2

SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Mitchelton	3	2	1	—	8	3	5
Gold Coast	3	2	1	—	6	4	5
Acacia Ridge	2	2	—	—	6	2	4
Trident	3	2	—	1	8	4	4
Wynnum	3	2	—	1	9	6	4
Darra	2	1	—	1	9	5	2
Coalstars	2	1	—	1	4	4	2
Souths	2	1	—	1	1	2	2
Taringa	2	—	1	1	3	4	1
Oxley	3	—	1	2	2	7	1
Fort. Valley	2	—	—	2	5	8	0
Redcliffe	3	—	—	3	4	16	0

SIXTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Wynnum	5	3	1	1	11	9	7
Annerley	3	3	—	—	7	1	6
Redlands	3	3	—	—	15	4	6
St. Helens	3	3	—	—	10	4	6
Nth. Brisbane	4	3	—	1	4	7	6
Sunnyside	3	2	1	—	16	3	5
Merton	3	—	1	2	3	8	1
Mt. Gravatt	4	—	1	3	6	12	1
Eagles	2	—	—	2	3	6	0
Thistle	2	—	—	2	2	7	0
Richlands	3	—	—	3	2	18	0

THIRD DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
St. Albans	3	3	—	—	10	1	6
Newmarket	3	2	1	—	8	5	5
Rovers	3	1	2	—	10	4	4
Pine Rivers	3	2	—	1	9	6	4
Olympic	3	2	—	1	4	4	4
North Star	2	1	1	—	2	0	3
The Gap	2	1	—	1	4	3	2
Salisbury	2	1	—	1	2	4	2
Willowburn	3	1	—	2	8	12	2
Westside	2	—	—	2	3	6	0
Inala Rangers	3	—	—	3	1	8	0
Nerang	3	—	—	3	2	10	0

SEVENTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Mitchelton	3	2	1	—	13	3	5
Darra	2	2	—	—	9	0	4
Acacia Ridge	2	2	—	—	13	1	4
Fort. Valley	2	2	—	—	5	2	4
Taringa	2	2	—	—	7	3	4
Gold Coast	3	2	—	1	13	7	4
Trident	3	1	—	2	7	8	2
Souths	3	1	—	2	6	9	2
Oxley	3	1	—	2	5	21	2
Redcliffe	3	—	1	2	2	5	1
Rovers	3	—	—	3	5	14	0
Pine Rivers	3	—	—	3	4	15	0

FOURTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Kingsridge	2	2	—	—	9	3	4
Brighton	3	2	—	1	8	3	4
Twin Towns	3	2	—	1	10	5	4
Booval Stars	3	2	—	1	7	4	4
University	3	2	—	1	4	4	4
Industrial	2	1	—	1	6	4	2
Goodna	2	1	—	1	4	3	2
Northside	2	1	—	1	8	6	2
Toowong	2	1	—	1	3	4	2
Bayside	3	1	—	2	6	12	2
Rochedale	2	—	—	2	3	8	0
Padua	3	—	—	3	2	14	0

EIGHTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
St. Albans	3	3	—	—	15	4	6
North Star	2	2	—	—	6	3	4
Rochedale	2	1	1	—	7	0	3
Westside	2	1	1	—	1	0	3
Olympic	2	1	—	1	8	3	2
Salisbury	2	1	—	1	3	2	2
University	2	1	—	1	4	3	2
The Gap	2	1	—	1	3	3	2
Brighton	2	—	1	1	3	5	1
Toowong	2	—	1	1	3	5	1
Newmarket	2	—	—	2	0	3	0
Inala Rangers	3	—	—	3	1	23	0

FIFTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Dutton Park	2	2	—	—	19	1	4
South Star	2	2	—	—	6	4	4
Albany Creek	3	1	1	1	10	5	3
Slacks Creek	2	1	1	—	4	2	3
RAAF	2	1	1	—	3	2	3
Samford	2	1	—	1	4	3	2
Adams Park	2	1	—	1	3	3	2
Moggill	3	1	—	2	9	14	2
Police Acad.	2	1	—	1	6	12	2
Wacol	2	—	1	1	3	4	1
North Pine	2	—	—	2	2	8	0
Greenbank	2	—	—	2	0	11	0

NINTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Mitchelton	3	2	1	—	20	1	5
Annerley	3	2	1	—	9	2	5
Taringa	2	2	—	—	5	0	4
Goodna	3	2	—	1	20	9	4
Wynnum	3	2	—	1	7	4	4
North Star	3	1	1	1	9	5	3
Industrial	3	1	—	2	13	8	2
Mt. Gravatt	2	1	—	1	5	4	2
Adams Park	2	1	—	1	5	5	2
Bayside	3	—	1	2	3	8	1
Redcliffe	3	—	—	3	2	29	0
Souths	2	—	—	2	0	23	0

COLTS POINTS TABLE

COLTS A	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Merton	5	5	—	—	18	3	10
Nth. Brisbane	3	3	—	—	7	1	6
Thistle	3	3	—	—	15	4	6
Redcliffe	5	3	—	2	9	9	6
Salisbury	5	2	1	2	11	11	5
Acacia Ridge	4	2	1	1	8	10	5
Annerley	4	1	2	1	12	12	4
Richlands	3	1	1	1	7	4	3
North Star	3	1	—	2	6	9	2
Mitchelton	4	1	—	3	6	10	2
Coalstars	3	1	—	2	5	11	2
Mt. Gravatt	4	1	—	3	10	16	2
Gold Coast	4	—	1	3	4	12	1
Pine Rivers	4	—	—	4	9	15	0

COLTS B	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
St. George	4	4	—	—	26	1	8
St. Helens	4	4	—	—	13	1	8
Spencer Park	4	3	1	—	12	2	7
Inala City	5	3	1	1	14	7	7
Thistle	3	2	—	1	12	5	4
Wynnum	5	2	—	3	11	17	4
Newmarket	4	2	—	2	11	22	4
The Gap	3	1	—	2	4	6	2
Redlands	3	1	—	2	5	7	2
Nth. Brisbane	4	1	—	3	5	11	2
Bardon Jnr.	5	1	—	4	6	11	2
Souths	4	1	—	3	8	18	2
Virginia	2	—	—	2	2	11	0
Ipswich City	2	—	—	2	3	13	0

LEADING FIRST DIVISION GOALSCORERS

- 5 Goals—
Steve Perkovic (Sunnyside)
- 4 Goals —
Len Pollock (Norths)
- 3 Goals —
Gerry Kay (Merton)
Mal Bland (Merton)
- 2 Goals—
Tony Brennan (Eagles)
Ian Steele (Mt. Gravatt)
Barry Kelso (Redlands)
Brian Lampitt (Annerley)
Paul Speight (Richlands)
Dave Blackadder (Mt. Gravatt)
Paul Burns (Richlands)
Jeff Dann (Ipswich United)
Tony Bailey (Thistle)

"LUDICROUS" SAY REFS

MELBOURNE — A fine imposed on Melbourne's Fitzroy United Soccer club after a referee was injured by rampaging fans has been described as "ludicrous and inadequate."

Australian Soccer Referees' Association Victorian president Bob Randall said today that the \$5,000 fine was neither a punishment nor a deterrent.

"Clubs can collect the money in a few hours by passing round the hat in the various safes and coffee lounges frequented by their supporters.

"The Philips Soccer League will increase its funds, but the referee who was injured, and who lost financially by not being able to attend his employment, will only get his match fee," Mr. Randall said.

Referee David Yelland suffered a broken jaw when he was king hit by an irate fan moments after the match between Fitzroy United and West Adelaide ended at Melbourne's Middle Park Stadium on April 8.

Mr. Randall said the referee was not covered by any insurance policy held by the Philips League.

He said the referee, both linesmen, and the Philips League inspector at the match were not called to give evidence at the subsequent inquiry, which was held in Sydney.

"I find it difficult to comprehend why the investigation was held in Sydney — 800 kilometres away from the scene of the crime," he said.

"Members of the committee were flown in from several States.

Mr. Yelland was attacked by fans as he left the field after the match on April 8.

He was king hit in the jaw, but managed to get to the dressing rooms as West Adelaide players moved in to help him.

He later blacked out, and was rushed to hospital.

Police have watched television replays of the incident in a bid to identify the fans responsible for the attack.

West Adelaide had scored an equalising goal in injury time.

South Melbourne Soccer club, which was not involved in the incident, but which controls the Middle Park ground, started work last week to erect a two metre fence around the pitch.

The \$5,000 fence is due to be completed this week.

TRIDENT TOO GOOD (4-2)

The game opened with both teams playing attacking football.

Valleys were the first to score after they were awarded a penalty for an alleged infringement by Neil Duncan against a Valley player. The penalty against Trident wasn't popular with the supporters of both sides (even a linesman was seen shaking his head at the decision). The penalty stood and Valleys opened the score with a one nil lead. Trident attacked hard and kept continuous pressure on the Valley defence, which paid off by Trident being awarded a penalty. The penalty was taken by John Hudson, but the Valley's keeper deflected the ball — almost straight to Trident's Dave Miller, who quickly put the ball in the back of the net. The score at half time was 1-1.

In the second half Valleys came back with renewed vigour and repeatedly attacked Trident's goal. The Trident defence partnership of John Shepherd and Dennis

Lockhart, however, kept Valleys from scoring. Then Valleys scored their second goal from a goal-mouth scramble after an opening was created by Trident's keeper Jack Lumley, who misjudged the ball and Valleys hit the front by 2-1. Valleys now appeared the stronger side, which must have jolted Trident because they started to "get their game together" 20 minutes from full time.

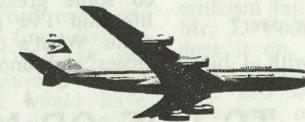
Trident attacked Valley's goal continuously with several near misses, but the pressure paid off. A precise pass by John Hudson found John Kennedy who completely eluded the defence, dodged around the keeper and scored the equaliser, his first goal for the season. Within minutes Trident scored again when Dave Miller flicked the ball over the keeper's head and Trident had the lead 3-2. This gave Miller his second goal. Only five minutes from full time John Kennedy (not to be outdone) scored his second goal for the day — and Trident's fourth.

It was a satisfactory win for Trident. However, early in the second half the team was in trouble and there is scope for improvement in their game.

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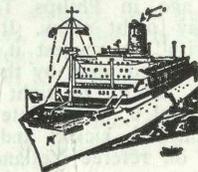
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"GO SOCCER" TALKS TO TONY LOWNDES

BY now it is well known that Tony Lowndes, former coach of second division Fortitude Valley, has become another victim of a common soccer malady — the couch-sacking syndrome. GO SOCCER interviewed Lowndes this week to get an insight into the whys and wherefores behind the situation.

GO SOCCER: When and why did you get the sack?

TONY LOWNDES: Fausto Beninca, the president of Valleys come around to my flat on Friday night (last week) and said the committee had decided on the previous night that they no longer required by services. He gave me no reason.

GS: What did you think the reasons were?

TL: There are always several reasons, as there were at Brisbane City when I was sacked without reason. Basically, at Valleys, the president wanted me to be a Yes man and have him help me select the team, which just wasn't on. He knew at the start of the season I was going back to the United Kingdom to take the full FA badge again in June for three weeks. We would have missed only two premiership matches as the Ampol Cup games are on the first week end in June. Naturally I had planned and organised for the club to be looked after during my absence. I was doing a lot of work, such as raising funds for the club and training three nights a week. Maybe he thought I was trying to take the club over.

GS: Were you trying to take over?

TL: Every club I've been with, I have

given 100 per cent effort to, particularly to the players. I've always had the respect of the players too, but all I was taking over was the playing side of the club, which was what I was being paid for.

GS: Are you disappointed with their decision?

TL: Obviously yes, but some committee members informed me before the Trident game they didn't even have a committee meeting, so maybe the decision was made by the "one man band." I'm very sorry for the players, as they were as disappointed as I was, after all the hard work they had put in during the pre-season.

GS: It has often been said that you are too friendly with your players. Was this the case at Valleys.

TL: If having a beer with the players is too friendly, if trying to build your club into a happy family is too friendly, if organising social functions with your players is being too friendly, if your players run their hearts out for you and become physically sick because of you — then I am too friendly with my players. After all, they are all sensible adults.

GS: What are your plans now.

TL: You can't keep a good man down. I've been a winner once or twice and a loser many times. I'm going to the UK in six weeks time for the full FA badge. I'd like to be involved in football before I go and when I come back. I've had 11 years in Queensland soccer and coached some great players. Football is my life and I've got a lot of life left yet mate. What's the old saying: "One door closes and another one opens."

TELEVISION—TO USE OR NOT TO USE

TELEVISION, considered by many to be the long term death knell of spectator sport, has its uses as was proved two weeks ago in Philips Top Soccer, the Thursday night show. It may be "Big Brotherish" to suggest it, but if Fitzroy are not called upon by the PSL or better still the A.S.F., to sight the film taken by Channel 0, and isolate that "he man" who punched, kicked and then appeared to spit on referee Yelland from behind, then they are as weak-kneed as the character himself.

If ever an idiot tied a noose around his own neck and jumped off a high stool then this "Tarzan" did so. After his cowardly assault he inadvertently ran around in front of the referee and presented a full face picture to the long range camera.

Anyone who knows anything about the workings of the closely knit Greek communities in Australian cities knows that it would be as easy to find out this ratbag's identity as it would be melting ice on a barbecue plate.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir,

"Wonders will never cease!" We finally made it. Soccer at the top of the page in the sports section of the Sunday Mail and by no less a scribe than the sports editor, Mr. Brian Johnston.

But alas, it was to give us a kick in the rear, not a pat on the back. It's the only time, unfortunately, that we make headlines — when there's trouble. Don't get me wrong. I'm in no way condoning the behaviour of the soccer holligans (I refuse to call them fans) who bravely ganged up on the referee at Middle Park, Melbourne (not Adelaide, Mr. Johnston). If you're going to slate Soccer, get your facts straight. My point is that we only get the kicks in the rear and this one is deserved. But why oh why don't we ever get any pats on the back?

Therefore the ASF should accept nothing less than a complete criminal charge be laid on this character's lap, with a recommendation to the law that it treat the case with extreme severity.

There can be no doubt in anyone's mind either that the four or five characters who invaded the dressing room can also be identified by the same means and the same treatment should be dished out to them.

Crowd violence is not new in soccer, always having been part of the "ethnic crowd risk" but never before has such a good opportunity been laid at the doorstep of the powers to take the strong measures desired to curb this sort of papasavas incident.

Come on Sir Arthur George or Sam Papasavas, stand up and be counted, yours is the power, the opportunity is there, don't let it slip away under a welter of words and smokescreening.

Fining the club for lack of marshals is OK but not nearly enough to deter the ratbag that disguises himself as a man. Be vindictive, get him and set an example to other prospective bashers.

Insidemans

Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir,

I would like to strongly protest about the selection of the Queensland Training Team which was given in the morning papers on 13th April, 1978.

It is obvious that Mr. Ford must not have been to watch any first division matches concerning MERTON-EAST the current league leaders because, the non inclusion of Chris Carroll would have to be the most unjust piece of selection I have ever seen.

The man has been in brilliant form, letting in only two goals in all the matches that he has played so far this season and even then he was unsighted on one occasion and the other was an own goal.

It just really goes to show, if you are not Philips League you are just not good enough. So come on Denis get thinking!

Yours faithfully,

Football Fanatic

P.S. — In regard to the last paragraph, there are 3 non-PSL players in the squad — Ron Millman, Barry Kelso and Steve Dolan.

Not so long ago we gave the Australian World Cup side one hell of a fright at Perry Park, when the match was drawn 4-4. Didn't even rate a mention from Mr. J. There was also a great result against the touring Scottish first division side Aberdeen. I don't recall any top of the page comments by the sports editor then either. We have had our moments in the past and they are not over yet. The best is still to come with our standard of soccer getting higher all the time. A few years ago Dundee were over here and gave us a 9-0 hiding. They are due here again soon but won't beat us by anything like that margin this time.

So please Mr. Johnston come along and see us play Dundee and if we deserve criticism fair enough. But open both eyes Mr. J. Your article stated: "But soccer does it on the grand scale. Little short of a full scale riot." Nasty as the incident was, and we all saw it on TV there were four or five cowards involved out of a crowd of 3,000 spectators. If this constitutes a full scale riot I shudder to think what you might call 10 drunks having a punch up on the hill at the Gabba. "The Third World War Maybe," Report the incidents, yes. Punish the home club for lack of security, yes. Jail the cowardly offenders, yes. But don't sensationalise the incident. That doesn't do you as a reporter or us as a football code any good.

Iain Kesson

manager Ipswich United

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DUTTON PARK UNITED Goals Galore

DUTTON Park United forged its way to the top of the fifth division ladder this week with a great 9 goals to nil win over first year side "Greenbank." With a game still in hand to be played on 'Anzac Day' things certainly look good at this stage of the competition.

Goal average always plays a big hand in deciding promotion and relegation each year, so after two games played, and with victories of 10-1 and 9-0, the players are certainly putting this factor to the fore at the right time.

Last weeks game against Greenbank most certainly didn't rate as the games of the year, but there were some memorable moments. Duncan Brampton, Dutton Park's valued transfer from Adams Park is certainly proving his worth with two hat tricks in the two fixtures played so far. With six goals in two fixtures we doubt if this could be equalled in any division at this stage.

It took Dutton Park 17 minutes to register its first goal, before this goal came it looked as though Greenbank might have been a surprise package proving a little stubborn in defence and very hard to break through, but after this first goal things came quite a bit easier for the Park. First half goals were scored in the 17th minute by Jim Quinn, the 23rd and 26th minutes by Duncan Brampton, the 28th minute by Gary Wyvill the 36th minute by Gary Carter and a penalty by captain Roy Carter in the 40th minute to take the sides into oranges with Dutton Park leading 6-0.

Coach Doug Carningham replaced striker Gary Wyvill at half time with Ole Jeppersen, it took only two minutes for the Park to open its second half account. From a great volley by Ole Jeppersen

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that the Greenbank keeper dropped into his own goal. Dutton Park seemed to take things easy from then on with only two goals coming before full time, one in the 31st minute by Duncan Brampton and another by Jim Quinn in the 45th minute.

All in all a good result for Dutton Park, but a game that lacked spectacle. Two things that did come out of the game were. (1) United players! If you are going to win the league you must stop this attitude of complacency when you

are a few goals up (2) Hint for Greenbank — if you can't supply a linesman for a game, don't criticise those who offer to stand in and help . . .

Up a Ghost — Casper

IPSWICH ITEMS

by Iain Kesson

ON Friday night at Richlands we suffered our second defeat of the 1978 season, in a game that could have gone either way. Eagles' winner was a great free kick laid off by McCabe for Alan Marszalek to strike it left footed around the wall. Greg Donnelly got a touch but not enough to stop the shot going in off the underside of the bar.

Eagles certainly threw everything into attack and their speedster Ron Millman was well marked by Wayne Warren and Peter Gemmell. Jim McCabe was always a danger until he ran out of steam, Jeff Dann caused Eagles a lot of problems in midfield with some strong attacking runs, one of which gave us our best chance. Jeff carried the ball from deep in our own half taking it right up into Eagles penalty box, sending Steve McDowell away. His driven cross beat the Eagles defence and met Gavin Johnston unmarked on the far post but his header was hit with such force downwards that the ball bounced straight up over the bar from two yards out.

We will play worse and win before the season's over. Our reserves, or sixth division won 5-3 in a free scoring game with plenty of goals and mistakes at both ends. Our scorers were Rick Kitching 2, Trevor Broadbent, Paul Binnie and Blue Roberts and for Eagles the old fella Patto got two and Ivars Melbergs one. The senior Colts had another win over Inala City in what started out a good even game, until the ref decided to give us his rendition of the national anthem. He sent two players off following a simple foul, when one player retaliated and threw a punch.

The said player deserved to go but the player who was struck — and on the ground — what was he sent off for? Some of the fouls in the rest of the game would have curled your hair, yet there were no more bookings!!! After an initial burst of 20 minutes, Inala City, a big bustling style of team, seemed to lose a little of their zip. Phil Greenall was making some good strong runs through the middle and our first goal was a lovely piece of football. Peter Morton pushed a good throughball to Kevin Gardiner, whose cross was put away by

Norm Pennell's head from three yards. The second half was a bit of a procession with Inala City falling into the habit of pumping long balls and they should have scored on two occasions but were off target.

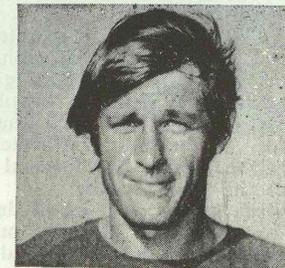
Norm Pennells put us two up with a good goal under pressure from a good throughball by Kevin Gardiner.

Kevin should have scored two goals himself but he rushed his shots and both attempts just cleared the bar. Inala City lost heart and the game was virtually over. Our junior Colts No. 1 had another big win over Merton, 7-0 in a very one-sided game. Our scorers were Craig McCrea 3, Jon Kitching 2, Gary Broadbent and Daryl O'Sullivan. The whole team was just too good for the opposition and it will be interesting to see them perform against equal opponents. It's hard to make judgments on a team that has yet to be put under pressure. Some pressure in matches would do them good.

Our fourth division side Booval Stars had a handy win over their opponents from the Gold Coast, when they accounted for Twin Towns 3-1 at Ebbw Vale on the Sunday. Booval's marksmen were G. Hillard, J. Donnelly and R. Pitcairn. Our 2nd junior Colts went down to Lions 4-1. On Monday, May 15 we will be starting a course at Ebbw Vale for junior referees — two nights a week (Monday and Friday) for three weeks. It's still not too late to join the course if you are aged 14 years and over. Ring Mrs. Bernie Martini on 282 3476 for details.

It's nearly the May school holidays again and we will be running our coaching clinic at Ebbw Vale again for juniors from 7 to 16 years. That course will run from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day with lunch provided and drinks between the sessions. Cost will be \$30 per week per boy. This is less than \$1 per hour with lunch thrown in.

It's a good job we're not offering this deal to Scotsmen or we would certainly have a "full house". Interested parents please ring Mrs. Martini on 282 3476.



BARRY REYNOLDS (West Adelaide)

LIONS v ST. GEORGE

ST GEORGE came to Brisbane with troubles and immediately coach Takacs showed his hand by lining up the usual back four players and an insurance man playing behind them. The thankless task of trying for a breakaway goal was left to Phil O'Connor and Robert O'Shea and it was obvious from the word go Lions defence was going to have none of it.

Instead it was left to Lions forwards and mid fielders to prise open the iron clad door and to be honest they never looked up to the task though it is true that a few chances were created later in the game when St. George rather tentatively pushed a man forward to sound out the possibilities.

Why did Lions fail to take two points from this game, a game where their opponents obviously had their necks stretched out across the chopping block waiting for the axe? Lions lack a spearhead — player after player has been tried in recent weeks and none could be said to be successful and this tactic of "loading" a defence, only served to highlight the problem.

It was this tactic that evolved the big strong blockbusting centre-forward who spends ninety minutes non-stop, powering himself around the box, upsetting opponents to such an extent that their double-covering attempts become completely frustrated. Lions did not have one player of this calibre in the side or on the bench and it showed on many occasions.

At the 45 minute mark Eddie Spearritt, with some very astute running from mid field laid two balls into the "tap-in" spot six yards from goal, the area most highly populated by the successful 'cattenacio' defence. Whom did Eddie's passes find as Johnny on the spot? No one. The only time Lions looked like scoring in the first 45 minutes was when "hardman" Jim Hermiston hoisted himself into the danger area and "netted" a disallowed goal — disallowed for punching in the ball. Lions need spearhead forwards desperately if their outfield efforts are to be capitalised upon. Geoff Morris is in devastating form at the moment but his love of playing deep is causing problems with the rest of the side, as the front rank lacks in width when he starts his diagonal runs in towards the penalty area.

Alan Niven has to do a lot of dummy running to draw the defence out of Morris' way and this leaves the mid field stretched as young Graham Wilson lacks the experience to take a successful part

in a tactical battle like last Sunday. The boy has promise, of that there is no doubt but his role has to be of the bench variety just now, where coach Vincze can explain the tactical ploys, why they are employed and how to beat them down. Then he can be cut loose when someone flags a bit, to gain the necessary experience he so obviously lacks.

His one good contribution to the game last week was when he threw himself at a great Hughes cross to head over the bar with Coe beaten. Lions at the moment cannot afford to carry inexperience in a side that if it does not "fire" soon, will start on a downward slide accelerated with self doubt and sterile football, the confidence killer to kill all confidence killers.

It is imperative that goals be scored when a team is beginning to play well, if they aren't it is only a matter of time. Two points have been taken from the last two matches but with any sort of good finishing it could have so easily have been four, making the task a little bit easier and boosting the confidence a bit.

Geoff Morris is the sides danger man at the moment and there is no doubt that this weekend he will come in for a lot of "attention" in Sydney. Lions have got to get their priorities right, it is essential a "strong man" be found to take this "attention" away from Morris or the scoring attempts will fritter away causing more and more frustration among the players and from them to crowd.

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Insiderman



DAVID PILLANS (West Adelaide)

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Middle row (from left) — MICKEY LEE, JOHN HICKMAN, JIMMY LAMB, ALAN SINCLAIR, IAIN YOUNG.

Seated in front (from left) — JIM BINNIE, EDDIE CARRIGAN, KEITH HARPER.

KENTUCKY FRIED CUP

"SHOOTOUT" came to Brisbane last weekend when North Star and Rochedale Rovers played a nil-all draw in their first round match of the Kentucky Fried Cup. The match itself was a typical cup tie — fast, rugged, end to end play with both teams sacrificing the finer points of the game in order to get men and the ball to their opponents goal mouth.

The Rochedale goalkeeper Paul Barney was in action right away making a good save and the Southside boys worked their way up the field the outside right making a great run and passing to Wayne Softley who screwed his shot just past the post. Then Trevor Donaldson forced another great save from tiny North Star keeper Peter Underhill. North Star had their chances too and Simon McPherson who looks the part of an old fashioned left winger had a great run into the box before sending a "banana" left footer past Barney just to see it scrape past the post.

HALF TIME 0-0.

The second half saw both defences tighten down even more and scoring

chances were few and far between as the "big men" pumped ball after ball into midfield where a tremendous battle for possession took place. Any isolated break-aways saw Underhill and Barney equal to any shots put to them.

FULL TIME 0-0

"Shootout" took place at half time in the main game and the teams lined up to do battle. The "tinies" were given five seconds to take the ball from the 22 yard mark and have a shot at goal, but the excitement and tension was taking its toll, for not one of the first two attempts by either side were converted, the keepers being on the spot to save. Then North Star missed their third try and as it is "sudden death" the pressure moved to Rochedale. For once the youngster found the strength to "lift" the ball and North Star's keeper could only palm the ball onto the post and into the net. Rochedale "went ape" and the delighted boys danced all the way off Perry Park. North Star were worthy opponents in this cup-tie but just missed out in the narrowest of margins.

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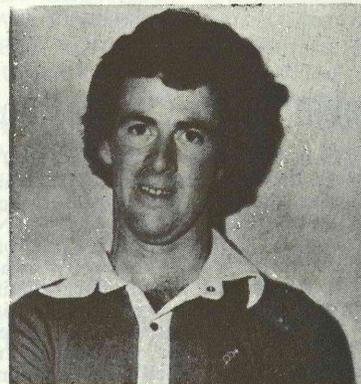
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SPOTLIGHT ON— LARRY GAFFNEY



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THIS GAME LAST YEAR

THE first week in August saw fifth placed West Adelaide in Brisbane to meet City, who were lying tenth and the previous week had blown an away point against the lowly Mooroolbark — a game where they had completely dominated the first half only to fritter away their one goal lead and end up 1-1.

West Adelaide on the other hand were fresh from their 1-0 win over Footscray thanks to another Kosmina goal. A crowd of 5,200 were in attendance at Perry Park to back City and they were not disappointed. Nereo Saftich had only just taken over the reins from Iain Kesson and Hermiston had been absent the week before, but he was back and in the first ten minutes nearly single handed blunted the incisiveness of West Adelaide's attack.

The game was held in mid field with neither Borzi nor Crook extended at any time. Both defences held firm and the 86 minutes City took the game with a play became patchy to say the least. After controversial goal. Caldwell broke to the right, got behind the defence for once and crossed to Conner who was still fresh on the park, and the little man made no mistake.

The linesman waved his flag and the referee, surrounded by a jostle of angry West Adelaide players, consulted him — but the goal stood. Honeyman was incensed and his words to referee Wood resulted in Wood keeping up the record of Brisbane referees dismissing visiting players.

In the remaining few minutes the furious visitors attacked like a swarm of bees and could have scored from a corner but for big Brian Kibbey being on the goal line at the right moment. City had scored two valuable points, but still did not climb above that tenth place.

SQUADS—
Brisbane City
Borzi, Rathmell, Tokesi, Hermiston,
Kibbey, Echeverria, Pimblett, Gaffney,
Coyne, Wallace, Caldwell
Reserve, Conner.

Full Name Lawrence Gaffney
Birthplace Wollongong
Birthdate 20th October, 1954
Height 5 ft. 8 ins.
Weight 10st 9lb
Previous Clubs Wollongong, Woking
(England)
Married No
Car Valiant
Favourite player Archie Gemmell
Favourite other team Nottingham Forest
Biggest thrill When made player of
the match against the visiting
Italian Army team in 1976
Best country visited England
Favourite food Steak
Miscellaneous likes Winning
Miscellaneous dislikes Bad referees
wet grounds, losing
Favourite singer Elton John
Favourite actress Sophia Loren
Best friend many
Biggest influence on career My Father
Biggest drag in soccer being beaten in
the last few minutes of the game
Personal ambition To play for Aust.

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West Adelaide

Crook, Reynolds, Pillans, McGachey, McCulloch, Jones, Kosmina, Honeyman, Zervas, Boyle, McGregor.
Reserve, Vagianos.
Referee — J. Wood.

Adidas Shootout Competition

THIS week we will see four schools in action, Kedron High School and Hendra High School during the break of the Spencer Park Colts v Redlands match, and Iona College and The Southport School at the usual half time break in the PSL game.

Brisbane City Players Fund

MANY a time one has heard comments in the crowd expressing criticism of the players on bad days and enthusiastic support on good days. When the team has performed as well as they so often do you now have the chance to reward them DIRECTLY. Near the northern exit is placed a metal box in the City colours. You are invited to make cash donations to the players in this box. All money received into the box will be divided amongst the City players, so you now have a chance to provide a direct incentive for your team to perform well.

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Italian Night Dinner Dance

AT the Crest International Hotel on 6th May, a Dinner Dance Cabaret will be held, from 7.30 p.m. to 12 a.m. Music is by "Carizma" and admission is \$12.50 per person. This includes a 3 course meal, plus beer and a non-alcoholic punch. During the evening a lucky couple will win a weekend at the Broadbeach Hotel and a door prize of a magnum of champagne is to be won. Admission by ticket only. For reservations telephone Pam Simeone on 266 9908. Come along and join in the fun.

Cash for Goals

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PRIMARY SCHOOL CLINICS

THE school coaching clinics are off to a great start. Over the past two weeks Roberto Echeverria has been visiting schools in the northern suburbs and the reaction of both sports masters and parents has been wonderful. As one school coach said "I have been waiting 5 years for something like this to happen, it is terrific." Roberto has been handing out free passes to Brisbane City home games. All the children he has coached so far have received one, so let us hope that this will start these young soccer enthusiasts, on the way to becoming regular soccer fans and help swell the crowds in years to come. Jim Hermiston is also visiting schools for coaching sessions. This must surely help Queensland soccer, not only now with our juniors, of which some 26,000 play in Queensland, (with 11,000 of these playing in Brisbane fixtures) but in future years. These juniors are the feeding grounds for our first division sides and Philips League.

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Soccer Coaching Clinics

Coaching courses are to be held at Spencer Park Newbury Street, Newmarket during the May school holidays. Each course will cost \$15.00 for four (4) days, the courses are as follows—

1st WEEK — 1st to 4th May inclusive

9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Under 10	12 a.m. to 2 p.m. Under 11/12	3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Under 13 upwards
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TARINGA ROVERS SPORTSMAN'S DINNER

LAST Friday evening one of the best kept secrets around town slipped out and one of our writers attended a most enjoyable evening held at Taringa Rovers beautiful club house.

It would appear this 'Sportsman's Dinner' is a monthly affair and has been held for the last two and a half years, and why there is not a waiting list for tickets is one of the greatest mysteries of all times, on a par with Agatha Christie's "Mousetrap."

Under the astute chairmanship of the sporting editor of The Australian, Mr. Harry Davis, it would appear some of the top names in Australia have appeared as guest speakers and if they were as well credentially, prolific speechmakers as last Fridays guest, Senator Ron McAuliffe, then the writers only lament is that he has missed out on so many good evenings.

The evenings commence at 7.00 p.m. with drinks around a most pleasant bar area and at 7.30 p.m. dinner is served in the clubs dining area. After a pleasant meal the speaker takes over and on Friday, Senator McAuliffe entertained

the gathering with the lot, stories from the hallowed halls of Parliament, inside information on the big deals of rugby league, personal insights into some of the countries biggest political names and all in all a most enjoyable hour was spent just listening to the art of pleasant, interesting oratory.

Then it was the turn of the floor. Questions flew thick and fast showing that the art of conversation is not dead and the Senator shirked not his responsibility, answering everyone succinctly and well.

Time flew past and all too soon it was time to repair to the bar where the little personal arguments could continue. Lasting impressions from Senator McAuliffe's words were the absolute obsession he has against *highly* organised junior football codes, his admiration for a Gough Whitlam none of us know, his dream of more Federal money for sport and his addiction to a game called Rugby League.

A most pleasant evening which should be shared by far more people in sport. Remember it's a monthly event and the next one isn't far away.

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COLTS— TWO OUT OF THREE FOR SALISBURY

GRANGE Thistle Senior Colts, under the control of former Queensland coach, George Pagan, were far too classy when they defeated Salisbury 5-nil on Sunday April 9.

The Grange players gave Salisbury a lesson in football on the ground and but for some good saves by Salisbury goal keeper Steve Brown, the score would have been higher.

Brown's performance is even more creditable considering he had his arm in a sling the day before following a motor bike accident.

From the kick-off Grange showed their superiority and had three unsuccessful attacks in the first five minutes.

They showed good controlled football in stringing numerous passes together. Their work was often wasted when they repeatedly shot high and wide.

The first goal came when a ball, arguably a cross from the right, was too high for the Salisbury keeper and floated into the left hand corner of the goal.

The second Grange goal came shortly after when a series of one-two passes ended with a hard shot along the ground.

Grange went to the break three up following some clever work by their centre-forward who beat two defenders and side-footed past the keeper.

In the second half Grange were not as sharp but still dominated the game.

Salisbury's only chance come when

centre forward, Grand Sibbald, seized on a ball fumbled by a defender and the Grange keeper just got a finger to the shot deflecting it onto the upright and over the line for a corner.

Grange added to the tally with a fourth goal off a corner and a fifth in the last five minutes.

For Salisbury Greg Gillespie had a good game clearing a certain goal off the line. Player-coach Gary Plant, played well as did John Troeger and Mark Armstrong.

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A well-worked free-kick, midway through the second half, helped Salisbury to a 2 nil victory over Toowong in their Eighth Division game. (9-4-78).

Mark Brigden scored with a hard 15 yard left foot drive after midfielder Dave Grunwald faked a shot and pushed the ball to his side.

Salisbury always looked the better team in this match which unfortunately never rose to any great heights.

From the outset Salisbury tried to attack by using the wings frequently but the Toowong defence was sound.

Salisbury had a few chances in the first half with the ball going to the side of the upright after goal mouth scuffles.

The two teams went to half time at nil all with Salisbury mid fielder Greg Weir, being the most impressive.

Toowong missed a certain goal and a

chance to take the lead and a grip on the game early in the second half.

After a misunderstanding in the Salisbury defence a Toowong forward found himself in front of the goal with noone to beat. The forward struck the ball only to see it hit the cross-bar and rebound for a goalkick.

A short time after Salisbury scored their first goal and from then never looked in danger of defeat.

Mark Brigden sealed the result, ten minutes to full-time, when his determined running enabled him to rob a Toowong defender of the ball and push it past the keeper.

Jimmy Ross, John Hollingberry, Ian Randall and Pommy Al all had good games with others in the team needing the first run.

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TWO goals in ten minutes by striker Peter Wybranowski, enabled Salisbury to win their first third division game against Nerang. (9-4-78).

Wybranowski was unlucky not to get a hat-trick when another shot rebounded from the cross bar but was ruled not to have crossed the line.

Salisbury dominated the early stages of the game, pushing the ball around in mid field but finishing poorly.

The first goal came midway through the first half when winger Johnny Carter dribbled down the sideline and put in a deep cross. The ball went to Wybranowski who controlled it, cut back across the goal and sidefooted it past the keeper.

A few minutes later Wybranowski took the ball down the left wing and blasted a shot the Nerang keeper hardly could have seen.

Salisbury lapsed in the early part of the second half and although Nerang looked more effective, Salisbury keeper, Colin Jensen was not pressured.

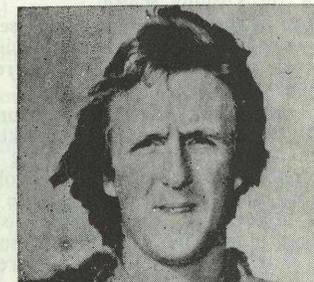
Towards the end of the game Salisbury again showed the form that had earned them two goals previously. John Robinson was unlucky when his shot rebounded off the upright following some clever work on the right by Johnny Carter.

A 20 yard shot by Tony Collins in the dying minutes required the Nerang keeper to produce a good save to stop a third goal.

Steve Gilliard, Trevor Taylor and Graham Stone all played well for Salisbury.

The match was marred by poor refereeing and a glut of cautions and free kicks stopped the game from flowing.

Salisbury players were greeted with good news when they left the field with the announcement of the signing of one of the club's top scorers in past seasons, Bruce Austin. Bruce had earlier this year decided to retire from the game but after talks with club official, Charlie Lawton, reversed his decision.



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ACACIA RIDGE CLUB NEWS

LAST Saturday night saw our first club dance of the season at the Acacia Ridge Hotel who are once again our club sponsors for the ensuing season. It turned out to be a tremendous success support-wise with a crowd of nearly 300 and a financial success. Music was supplied by the band 'Gingerbread' who did a great job entertaining young and old.

Sorry to have to mention Geoff Green in the latter part of that statement. But at least he was able to take the field the following morning even if it was just to be on. Our next dance is on the 17th June at the Acacia Ridge Hotel. Any persons wishing to attend, contact Mike Collins or Ron Proud 277 2768.

Any persons passing our ground will have noticed a large extension to our present building, which is our new club house which has almost been completed at a cost of nearly \$60,000 plus a bedroom for our groundsman and football manager Ron Proud who by the way has done a great job in preparing the field for the ensuing season.

In front of the Club house a new senior field is now being prepared which will be fenced off and is hoped will be ready for use next season.

This venture is costing the club a further \$10,000. The committee would like to take this opportunity in thanking the various people concerned in their voluntary labour and help in getting these two projects under way. Any person wishing to become a member of the club, soccer that is, should contact the club secretary Joh Burgess on 277 1867 or his wife Chris unless you are in a hurry.

On Saturday the 7th of May the club has its annual away fixture to the Gold Coast. Any person wishing to reserve a seat on the buses should contact Ron Proud 277 2768 before 30th April.

Yours in sport

Mike Collins

ACACIA RIDGE v OXLEY

TO be able to write a report on the first half of this match, one would have to be an author of fairy tales to even make it sound like a soccer game. If most of these players had acted in this fashion in Queen Street on a Saturday night, the South Brisbane Watchhouse would have had an extra 21 guests for the night, booked for vagrancy. Because the amount of football in this half could have been produced by an Under 7 player. My

apologies to the average Under 7 player. The exception being for the Oxley goal keeper who added some sort of respectability to the game with some fine goal-keeping.

H.T. Acacia Ridge 0 Oxley 0.

Coach Jimmy Bentley for Acacia Ridge must have found his magic wand at half time as he transformed his team into the footballers they are and Oxley could consider themselves lucky the score finished up only 2-0 against them. Thanks to their goalkeeper and a few words to the real J.C. Acacia Ridge went one up with a goal from Terry Kennedy after 23 minutes with a well taken drive which was nearly taken off the line by an Oxley defender, but justice prevailed and the linesman was right on the spot to signal a goal.

Eight minutes later the big man was there again to head home a very well taken goal from a Kirk Lilley corner to make it 2-0 to Acacia Ridge.

Mention at this stage must be given to Ian Proud and John Shilton who both had a great game in defence for Acacia Ridge.

Final score Acacia Ridge 2 Oxley 0 or as one of the players said after the game Terry Kennedy 2, Oxley 0. "Wonder who he was."

DIVISION 2

DARRA ROMP IN

DARRA kicked off to their biggest win of the season in fact it was the biggest win of the season when they beat the young Redcliffe team 7-0. Darra, who have been having some internal strife with coach Bobby May threatened to finish up, geared themselves up and gave the coach the best answer possible, by giving him and themselves a great boost for the future.

The goals were shared around the side, both central strikers Simonjeski and Lazarevski getting a brace each. Wayne Collins the young 21 year old midfielder scored his second goal in consecutive weeks by finishing off a great right wing move. His shot was in the unsaveable bracket.

With Ray Lemon and Dave Gilman collecting a single a piece the Darra machine was obviously ticking on all cylinders. Despite the score keeper Harry Brown impressed coach May with everything he did and the coach reckons he is coming on to form at the right time. Redcliffe's youngsters, minus their giant striker John Davis, were just no match for the Darra team but to their credit

never stopped trying and only folded after giving their all.

One nice point in a dark area. Everyone had nothing but the highest of praise for referee Alan Kibbler, who had to handle two matches (the reserve referee never showed) and didn't spare himself physically in any of the two games. Good work from the official.

Cliff-Hanger at Maramba

A KEENLY fought tussle was expected at Maramba last Saturday as Wynnum, fresh from their victory at Darra, took on Taringa, who had gone to the Gold Coast to win a point. And so it was to be both teams lined up at full strength for the battle and from the outset it was obvious defence was furthest from the mind of both coaches as both sides lined up with two wingers and two central strikers. A breath of fresh air.

Wynnum quickly exerted a superiority and poured into a Taringa defence which looked shaky as stopper, Martin kicked and sliced the ball everywhere and anywhere. Gradually his running mate Nevill began to turn the Wynnum tide and the battle area moved to midfield where old team mates Iain Young and Jim Carpenter were showing lots of class and nice touches.

It was no surprise when Carpenter latched on to a ball bouncing across the six yard box to fire Wynnum into the lead and they held this until half time despite some isolated breakaways by the fast Taringa forwards. The second half began with Wynnum again dominating proceedings and in an amazing situation Nigel Fisher, the smallest man on the field was allowed to head, yes head a cross ball into the net.

Now Taringa began to get ticking and it was noticeable certain Wynnum players were flagging. Steve Bristow who had had a great first half on Taringa's left wing moved inside and hooked a shot into the net and the fat began to smoulder. Play raged from end to end but Taringa came closest to scoring when in an amazing show of reflex saves the Wynnum keeper kept out two net-bound drives with his body.

On the final whistle three Taringa players were boring down on a lone Wynnum defender who had no chance, but referee Dave Nugent became his greatest pal when he stopped them dead in their tracks with a toot on his flute. However it would have been an injustice had Taringa scored, Wynnum on the day were the better side with an all round edge in most departments.

Taringa must learn to retain possession if they are to be a threat, the number of times simple passes went astray was uncountable and this grave fault could cost them dear. A good game enjoyed by most spectators and well handled by three capable officials.

Every player on the field gave the impression of giving his all and no one can expect more than that. In this respect there were no failures in either side and with some hard work both look to be candidates for the top division at this early stage.

Goalkeeper Keeps Mt. Gravatt Out

MT. GRAVATT showed a welcome return to form with a thrilling and perhaps an unlucky 2-all draw with North Brisbane at Perry Park last Saturday.

After disappointing performances in their last two games Mt. Gravatt and North Brisbane treated the small but vocal crowd to some exciting football. The game started at a fast pace and continued for the ninety minutes with fast open football despite some rather dubious tackling and obvious 'spotting'.

Mt. Gravatt again scared the daylights out of Jimmy Rogers and their supporters by conceding an early goal. Mark Davis misjudged a cross that was coming out of the sun and Norths were one up after only ten minutes. Fortunately, Mt. Gravatt did not give up and with Gary Bohan up front with Ian Steele, the gaps started to appear in Norths defence. After too many near misses, Ian Steele put a good ball through and Brian Hudson hammered home the equaliser.

The second half started at the same fast pace with Mt. Gravatt attacking Norths goal repeatedly. It was now time to bring on our own 'Super Sub' David Blackadder and for the second time in two weeks he slammed the ball in the net after being on for less than five minutes.

But Norths were not finished yet. They broke well from their own half and a great cross from Len Pollock ended up in the net from a great header by Tom Giles.

Even the Norths supporters must admit that it was all Mt. Gravatt after that. In a sustained attacking period of five minutes, Mt. Gravatt were denied the winning goal by some great reflex saves from the Norths keeper Gerry Bray.

The one sour note of the game however was the rather dubious advantage decisions by the referee. The most glaring

being when Mt. Gravatt were 2-1 up and Gary Bohan put Harry Stewart through with only the keeper to beat but play was pulled up for a foul on Gary Bohan.

But that's past history now and we must look at next weeks game against Spencer Park at home at Dittmer Park.

A 2-all draw with Norths was a good result for us, showing promise of better things to come.

Paul Lonton
Mt. Gravatt Soccer Club

STATE TEAM TOPIC

IN reply to the article in last weeks GO SOCCER, I would like to list my State team to play Dundee and give the reasons for so doing.

Goalkeeper — Wishart; back four — Potter, Hermiston, Tokesi, Perry; midfield — Gaffney, Pimblett, Niven; forwards — Conner, Marley, Morris.

1. — Wishart I give the nod to over Lownds, mainly because he is a proven performer and his current form is good. We haven't seen enough of Lownds.

2. — Full backs are Potter and Perry, two very experienced players with the flair to attack when it's on. Great cover defence players.

3. — Tokesi and Hermiston the centre backs. They have had a full season of experience together and were the best double act in the League last season in the middle. Jim's talents I feel are best used from the back. His long ball distribution can be a matchwinner with forwards and midfielders who are awake to it. His cover defence behind the solid Tokesi goes without saying.

4. — Gaffney, Pimblett and Niven is a midfield of workers and brains. Gaffney's and Niven's ability to win possession and their attacking flair has to be tempered with the skill, brains and good distribution of Pimblett, a player with stacks of class and big match experience.

5. — Front runners, Conner, Marley and Morris are men who will do just that. Conner and Morris have the ball skills and speed to upset any full back. Marley is always on the move and a good thief in and around the box. Marley's running off defenders would allow Niven and Gaffney space to penetrate or Pimblett shooting chances, a skill he does well enough but not frequently enough.

My reserves would be Lownds, Bennett, Echeverria or Spearritt and Neale. I think if we are trying to put Queensland's best team on the field we must stay with the players who are playing at the highest level of competition, Philips League.

Iain Kesson

ANNERLEY NEWS

from Bill Williams

WELL, it's now official — coach Ken Bass has resigned and gone to St. George. This was the case last week and I had written about it as a lead to our match against Merton, but after that match a meeting was to be held on the following Tuesday to clarify the situation. The position now is that Ken Bass is no longer the Annerley first division coach and is now with St. George. We wish him well and thank him for his efforts and results in his 2½ years with us.

Such events however, cannot help the morale and performance of our first division side and I believe this was reflected in the game against Merton.

Anyway, on to our next opponents who happened to be guess who? None other than St. George. So we have Annerley's former coach with the opposition for the very next match. An interesting situation, anyone would agree.

Annerley's new coach is Percy Dunlop, a long standing player and coach with us, who is well respected and very capable. He has the support and good wishes of everyone connected with our club.

On to the game itself and honours finished even with the final score being nil all. Annerley could feel satisfied with this result against the star studded St. George, but they could so easily have scored a winning goal had they made the most of their opportunities.

Referee Terry Ellison had a good game keeping firm control and not allowing any incidents to get out of hand. His policy of talking to players after infringements was probably appreciated by them but I feel there were a couple of incidents that should have brought caution cards.

In the first half, the best chances were probably a good header from an Annerley corner by Dunlop which was well saved by Kelly and a crushing drive by Fagan which fortunately hit Oakes and went for a corner.

During this half Rooney for Annerley was everywhere and Constantinou for St. George was causing the defence plenty of problems.

After the interval, the game continued in similar fashion with both defences under constant pressure. St. George were playing down both flanks and stretching Annerley wide, but for the most part they were equal to the task. The home sides best chance in this session was in the 67th minute when two players dummied in the box instead of shooting and allowed Annerley to clear.

POINTS TO PONDER

ANOTHER young side which caught the eye last weekend is Grange-Thistle's Colts A side. They produced some tremendous football in downing Coalstars last Friday night at Lanham Park. Thistle have always had a strong junior outlook and it will obviously pay dividends with the State League, etc. coming up.

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GOOD service for patrons at Lanham Park with most audible announcements of team lineups, progressive scores, etc. thanks to Jim Gilbert. In this regard, Lanham Park leaves those at Heath Park responsible for similar service, or lack of it, for dead.

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MEMO — all second division clubs — beware Trident. Our records reveal Fortitude Valley sacking Brian Topfer from coaching position after team was beaten by Trident. Later Sunnyside's Ken Payne received the same when Trident again worked their "hex". This time it happened before the event when Tony Lowndes "departed" on the eve of Valleys match against Trident last week-end, which Mick Matula's men won. Could be new coach Mark Walker's second instruction might be "beat" Trident — or else".

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BIG bungle in match planning this week end which will be very hard to beat. Brisbane City face West Adelaide on Sunday and after big win over South Melbourne will really pack them in. But guess where City's first division side is playing on the same day? Out at Dittmer Park where Spencer Park are away to Mt. Gravatt. (see other P to P on same subject — read on).

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NOW we are getting somewhere. Gradually more clubs are submitting copy for GO SOCCER, although there is still loads of space available for other clubs who wish to take advantage. The only thing we ask is that if you cannot supply typed copy, then PLEASE make your hand-writing more legible. Most importantly, when surnames are used, please write them in capitals. Please have some sympathy for the editor and the printers. Thank you!

ONCE again our friends at Qantas have renewed their generous sponsorship of the QSF divisions by providing \$1750 for the first division premiers, \$750 for second division premiers with a further \$1500 allocated for the lower division knockout competition. Winner of the lower division Cup is to receive \$750, runner-up \$350, third \$250 and fourth \$150. Our thanks again to Qantas, the international airline.

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STRANGE goes on in first division. Spencer Park United, Brisbane City's reserve team in the first division playing in direct opposition to Brisbane Lions Philips League game last Sunday. If someone can explain the commonsense in this to GO SOCCER, we'd like to hear their reasoning. If ever there was a case of non-co-operation this would appear to be IT.

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GOOD sense has apparently prevailed. A few copies ago our editorial appealed for some commonsense thinking re four players caught up in the Mitchelton-Bardon legal wrangle. The four players are now appearing for four clubs and although nothing has been announced it appears some sort of decision has been made. Congratulations to the people concerned, more of this thinking and maybe we'd get this game out of the mire and into free flight.

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SENATOR Ron McAuliffe asked very leading question at recent Taringa Sportsman's Dinner. Question was "How come you soccer people can still ask for transfer fees and we rugby league people cannot"? The answer? A pregnant hush. Quite funny really for, as everyone knows Taringa is a bastion of amateurism, but there were a few people present who could have supplied the answer.

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GEORGE Fraser, everybody's pal, has been through it all this season and it's only four weeks old! George, who started the year training with Lions, moved on to Sunnysides training ground, further down to Mitchelton's training then commenced playing with Mitchelton colts. After being suspended, imagine that if you can, he has now moved again to Sunnyside reserves. George reckons John Mesic's gain is John Frank's loss, as he

"would have been a pearl in a sea of sand." Never misses a PSL game and his comments are always the same "RUB-BISH". Turns up all over Brisbane at games and three weeks ago his dulcet tones could be heard at a Thistle trial game asking George Pagan "when's Toshack coming on?" That's Magic Feet never stuck for words.

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ANZAC DAY has been put down as the day when all the league tables can be brought up to date by virtue of most of the cancelled games being played. First division positions at the moment are extremely tight, three points covering the twelve teams but of course with so many games not played it is giving a false picture. Biggest surprise is the "paper team" St. George lying bottom with two points from four matches, not a good start at all.

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SOME good "old fashioned" entertainment last Sunday with the South Brisbane brass band supplying an excellent selection of light music for the customers. No one can accuse Lions of not trying and all that is needed now is for the team to start knocking in a few goals to bring the crowds in and keep them in.

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WHAT a show by City, down and out, staggering around after three consecutive defeats off they go to do battle with the mighty Greeks, South Melbourne who were undefeated. It became a joy when Roberto Echeverria netted the all important point winner to set the City stocks soaring again. Altogether it was a Latin weekend with Marconi thrashing Wests 6-2 in Sydney. City needed that win badly and Denis Ford will be looking to consolidate this weekend when they play host to another "Greek" side West Adelaide who "murdered" Lions 3-0 two or three weeks ago.

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BATTLEGROUND scene at Mitchelton saw Mitchelton "strapper" Ross Black called upon to help Souths player in trouble while Souths man was working on team mate. Nice touch.

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ST. GEORGE and Lions have now played 270 minutes soccer in Philips League, none has been victor and only two goals have been scored. Got to be a lesson somewhere.

BRISBANE Lions Promotions Committee doing their best to arrange for visiting Dundee team to be present at their giant Polynesian Hangi to be held at Richlands on Saturday evening, 20th May, the night before the Queensland v Dundee game. Hurry along for your tickets. They are going fast.

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WE hear the referees federation has big problems, apart from a drastic shortage of manpower. Rumour has it that secretary and treasurer have resigned and that another important figure is also in the process of following suit.

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WHITHER Charlie Dench? The man who a few seasons ago set the Brisbane soccer scene on its ear has just slipped out of the limelight completely. Charlie was last sighted viewing a Philips League match at Perry Park and looked fit enough to be doing a job for someone.

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PARENTS in the news again. Seems St. George have had to withdraw their sixth division side and enter the team in the junior leagues at the insistence of parents. Know where the kids wanted to play? That's right, they voted to play in the higher standard! Wonder why the parents didn't like the youngster's ideas?

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ANOTHER youngster has the same trouble but slightly inverted. Report has it that irate parent took him from field claiming he was too good for that standard. From boy's reaction he didn't agree with assessment. Wonder when these well-meaning people will wake up to the fact that their individualistic acts are not the way to alter the status quo. There are democratic avenues to accomplish these moves and the road they have adopted is surely the dead end street to end all dead end streets. The path to soccer fame is littered with shattered dreams of kids who were psyched and "prepared" by parents who thought they knew better than the men in charge of the clubs that they, the parents originally took their kids to, in the hope of gate-crashing the "big time." Soccer "fame" is acquired only by well-planned career paths steadily improving knowledge and technique gained over a period of time in different levels of standards. For every great name in soccer who has "flashed" to the forefront at an early age, there are thousands who

have trod the aforementioned path with great success to leave their mark on the game.

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REPORT has it that State League representation will not be easily acquired as Townsville's entry and particulars of entry will be hard to surpass. If it is used as a yardstick for future applications there may be a few clubs who will have to take a long hard look at various aspects of their financial management and their administrations, for without quality in these areas financial ruin is almost guaranteed.

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FEW "well kent" faces in last weeks Team of Yesteryear, Coalstars vintage 1969. Barry Payne and Ian Davis have gone the whole circle in the last nine years, now back playing with the "new breed" Coalstars second division side. Ian Johnston is still performing with Brisbane City, last week forcing himself back into the PSL squad. Brad Ahearn is in Southside Eagles team in the first division and Wally Kitching can still be seen kicking a ball with Gold Coast in the seventh division. Popular Ipswich soccer writer John Roderick was also on view, the years have been kind to John as he has changed not one iota.

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OUR "little book" was sold out again last weekend. Great stuff. With news and gossip flowing in from lots of sources now it makes for far more interesting reading. Space may become a problem if we get any more news, but what a pleasant problem to be faced with. Still no "letters to the editor" section always a widely appreciated section of the big overseas publications, so how about it? Get out the pen. Don't be like our "friend" at the Merton game who "whinges" on and on and on, never bothering to spend 20c and READ or maybe that is the problem! Or could it be WRITE as nothing has yet been received from Heath Park way!

Pointnote — two letters now received

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LAST weekend twenty matches were covered in detail in GO SOCCER. Of these one was a Philips League game (local), four were PSL games from AAP, the other fourteen were covered by seven writers, three GO SOCCER staff and four volunteers. The games ranged from the Philips League game already mentioned, five first division matches out of seven, six second division games, a third division

match, junior colts game and a junior match. If any "whinger" can improve on this utilisation of resources, please ring the Editor as we would like to have him on the team. Remember its honorary.

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TELEVISION fans will be interested. If you look up the centre pages this week you'll find a Ray Thaw listed among the Bardon Latrobe players. This bloke happens to be the younger brother of John Thaw who is seen playing the part of Inspector Regan in the popular TV show The Sweeney.

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LOT of undercover work being done on State League set-up for next year. Hopefully enough clubs will be culled out of the prospective entrants to give us a "healthy baby" that will provide a feeder for Philips League in the not so distant future.

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PSL crowds are on the increase. By getting into a "winning streak" Newcastle and Canberra are now pulling average gates of 6,000 plus. South Melbourne are also attracting a 6,000 crowd regularly and Marconi are keeping 5-6,000 of the "faithful" happy every weekend they are at home. Lions and City are probably suffering from a lack of good results and are averaging between 3,000-4,000 per game. Wonder how they'd go if they struck a purple patch. City's reserves and Sunnyside pulled 300 to Spencer Park last weekend in the game played in opposition to PSL. Wonder why Spencer Park United don't play curtain raisers to Lions and Richlands before Brisbane City? Or is that too much to ask.

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MARTIN Coe, the Brisbane boy who kept the Lions at bay last week, reckons it's just about time for "the prodigal to return". Martin and his wife Gaye, a Too-woomba girl, have been in Sydney four or five years now and the bright lights are beginning to dim a little. Maybe next season!

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ANOTHER "ethnic" derby this weekend with our West End friends showing up at Perry Park to cheer on their Adelaide cousins. With City (Brisbane) winning last weekend and Adelaide (West) losing very narrowly both sides will be flat out looking for points. Hopefully the "Greek boys" will not come with the same attitude as St. George, who bored everyone to tears.

... award winner.

MINOR SOCCER

SENIORS: 2nd Div: Acacia Ridge 3 d Darra 1. Taringa 2 d Fortitude Valley 1. Coalstars 2 d Souths 1. 3rd Div: Westside 4 d North Star 0. Salisbury 2 d Gap 1. 4th Div: Northside 4 d Kingsridge 1. Industrial United 4 d Toowong 2. Goodna 1 d Rochedale 0. 5th Div: RAAF 2 d Slacks Creek 0. South Star 5 d Greenbank 1. Dutton Park 6 d North Pine 0. 6th Div.: Southside Eagles 6 d Grange Thistle 0. Annerley 4 d Richlands 2. Mt. Gravatt 2 d Redlands 0. North Brisbane 0 v Sunnyside 2 (match abandoned). 7th Div: Acacia Ridge 2 d Darra 1. Taringa 4 d Fortitude Valley 1. 8th Div: Olympic 3 d Toowong 2. Gap 1 v Salisbury 1. University 8 d Brighton 0. North Star 4 d Westside 0. Newmarket 2 d Rochedale 0. 9th Div.: Taringa 4 d Adams Park 2. Mt Gravatt 4 d Souths 2. Colts: A Div: Annerley 3 d North Star 2. Richlands 1 d Coalstars 0. Grange Thistle 6 d Mitchelton 0. Mt. Gravatt 3 d Gold Coast 1. North Brisbane 2 d Acacia Ridge 1. B Div: Redlands 4 d Gap 2. St. Helens 3 d Grange Thistle 1. St George South 4 d Souths 1. Spencer Park 3 d Ipswich City 0.

JUNIORS: NORTH DISTRICTS: Junior Colts: Div 1, Kenmore 2 d. Brighton 1. Div. 2: Virginia d. Moggill on forfeit. Div 3: St. Michaels 5 d. Margate 0. U 15: Div 1: Virginia 14 d. Kenmore 0. Div 2: North Star 4 d. Taringa 0 U 14: Div 1: North Star 2 d. Mitchelton 1. Div 2: Brighton 5 d. North Star 0. Div. 3: Mitchelton 2 d. St. Michaels 1. U 13: Div 2: North Star 11 d. Albany Creek 1. Div 3: Virginia 5 d. Grange Thistle 1. U 12: Div 1: North Star 3 v. Mitchelton 3. Div. 3: Virginia 2 d. Gap 0. Div 4: North Star 9 d. Redcliffe 0. St. Michaels 8 d. Mitchelton 0. Div 5: Toowong 2 d. St. Michaels 0. Rivers 3 d. Kenmore 1. Div. 1: North Star 3 d. Pine 0. Div. 2: Pine 1. Albany 0. Div 3: North Star, 1. Div 4: 5 d. Div 2:

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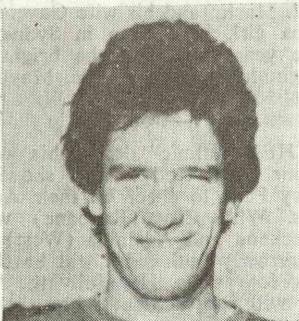
Philips League MATCH OF THE DAY



BRISBANE CITY

- 1 KIM WISHART x
- 2 IAN RATHMELL
- 3 JOHN LAVELLE
- 4 PETER TOKESI x
- 5 STEVE PERRY
- 6 LARRY GAFFNEY
- 7 WILLIE CONNER x
- 8 FRANK PIMBLETT
- 9 ALAN MARLEY
- 10 IAN JOHNSON
- 11 KEVIN CALDWELL
- 12 BRIAN KIBBEY
- 13 JOHN COYNE
- 15 EUSEBIO IBANEZ
- 16 ROBERTO ECHEVERRIA
- 17 IAIN FAGAN x
- 20 BOB BARLOW

Coach: DENIS FORD



NEIL McGACHEY (West Adelaide)



WEST ADELAIDE

- 1 MARTYN CROOK
- 2 PETER TYMCZYCZYN
- 3 BARRY McGACHEY
- 4 NEIL McGACHEY
- 5 LACKIE VAGIANOS
- 6 DAVID JONES
- 7 PETER BOYLE
- 8 DAVID PILLANS
- 11 IAN MCGREGOR
- 10 GRAHAM HONEYMAN
- 12 VIC BOZANIC
- 13 GEORGE KOULIANOS
- 15 ALEX ZERVAS
- 16 CON KAMPAS
- 19 GRAHAM NORRIS
- 20 SAM SERVICE

Coach: JOHN MARGIRITIS

Next Weekends Matches

- Brisbane City v Canberra City
- Newcastle United v Brisbane Lions
- Adelaide City v Western Suburbs
- Marconi v West Adelaide
- Fitzroy United v Sydney Olympic
- Footscray v St. George
- Eastern Suburbs v South Melbourne

Last Years Results

- Brisbane City 1 v West Adelaide 0
- West Adelaide 3 v Brisbane City 3