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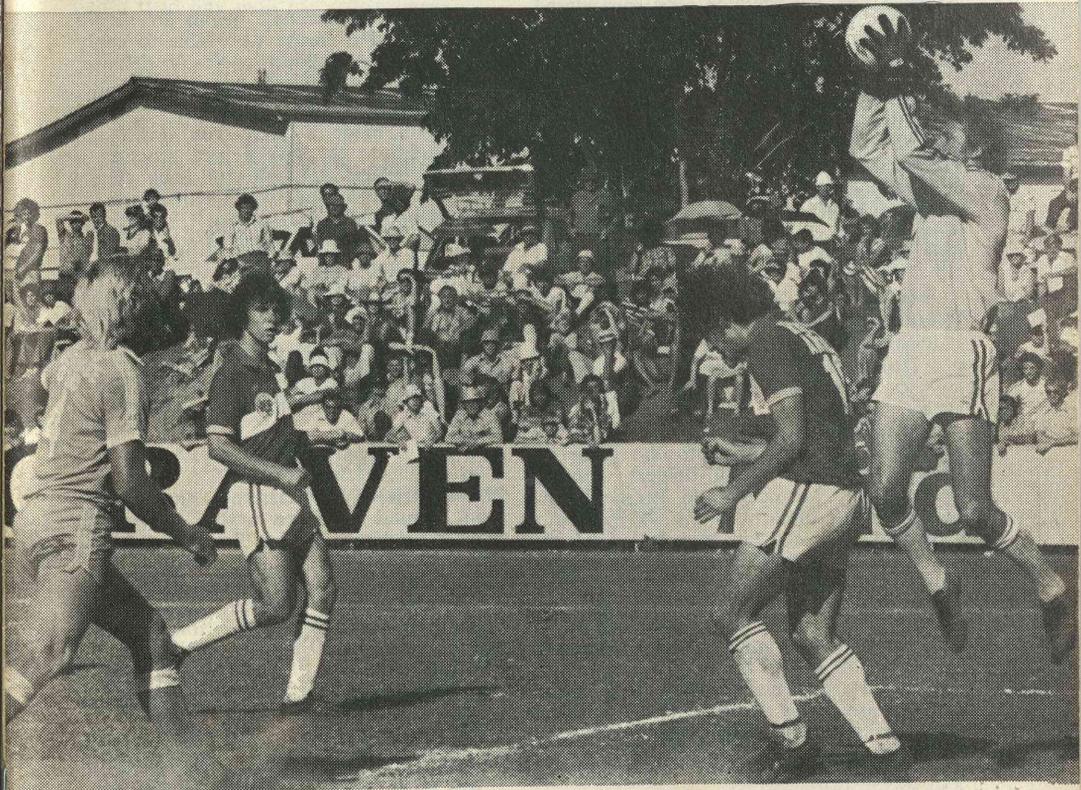


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A PIECE of the action from last year's Phillips Cup final between Brisbane City and Marconi with the players involved (from left to right) Peter Tokesi, Gary Byrne Bertie Mariani and Alan Maher. More shots from the same match on centre pages.

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NATIONAL PHILIPS LEAGUE ROUND-UP

City Came Back

ADELAIDE — Adelaide City squandered a great chance to go on a goal-scoring spree against depleted Brisbane City side at Adelaide's Olympic Sports field.

Brisbane City had two players in the Australian squad playing against Greece and were forced to make two substitutions midway through the game.

The Queenslanders found themselves 3 goals down after an explosive ten minute burst by the home side late in the first half, but fought back magnificently to lose 3-2.

Adelaide played patchy football and frequently looked shaky in defence.

Brisbane's nippy mid-fielder Willie Conner looked dangerous early and was the key to a number of positive moves in attack.

But when Conner was forced to come off injured 29 minutes into the game, it allowed Adelaide's mid-fielders Johnny Perin, Garry Marocchi and Brian Northcote to dictate play.

Within the next ten minutes, Adelaide played their best football to overwhelm Brisbane.

In the 32nd minute, Northcote set up a chance for Marocchi but the ball rebounded against the upright and back to Dixie Deans to slot it into the net.

Northcote was again the architect in the 40th minute when he lobbed a high ball into the area. The ball went through the hands of Brisbane goalkeeper Bob Barlow and fell to Marocchi, who made no mistake from six metres.

A minute later, Adelaide swarmed forward again and a neat combination between Johnny Nyskohus and Deans resulted in Deans' second goal.

Adelaide opened the second half stylishly and for the first 15 minutes looked like annihilating Brisbane.

Marocchi, Perin and Northcote created numerous chances for their forwards but poor finishing at critical stages let Adelaide down.

Within the first ten minutes, Adelaide should have been six in front but for woe-ful misses in front of goal by Marocchi and

Jim Muir and a desperate off the line clearance by Brisbane City defender Frank Pimblett from a Dean' header.

However complacency began to set in mid-field and Brisbane were able to apply pressure on Adelaide's unsteady defence.

Their first breakthrough came in the 69th minute when mid-fielder Roberto Echeverria made a great run down the right and into the box before crossing a low ball which Adelaide full-back Bugsy Nyskohus mis-kicked into his own net.

They looked to be in with a chance of stealing a point in the 75th minute when a fierce ground shot from defender John Lavelle found its way through a tangle of legs and into the bottom left hand corner of the goal.

Only stout defending from Adelaide defender John Besir and Frank Lister repelled the constant wave of Brisbane attacks.

New Punch

MELBOURNE — Eastern Suburbs came from behind to force a 1-1 draw with Fitzroy in their Phillips Soccer match at Olympic Park.

East's second half recovery from 1-0 down at half-time began when coach Gerry Chaldi thrust Mark Trenter forward, and pulled Bobby Smith back into defence.

The switch added new punch to East's attack which put the Fitzroy goal under siege.

Arthur MacMillan headed off the line with goal keeper, Peter Blasby, beaten.

But East's reward wasn't long delayed. After 77 minutes, striker Ian Souness, took an indirect free kick from just inside the penalty area.

Ernie Campbell met the ball perfectly with a fierce header that gave Blasby no chance.

Fitzroy had taken the lead seven minutes before the interval through Socceroo defender, Jim Tansey.

East's goalkeeper Tony Pezzano was caught well out of position when Gary Cole completely missed his shot.

The ball finally ran to Tansey who just managed to push it past defender Kevin Mullen into the far corner of the net.

Fitzroy's performance lacked the power drive that had taken the club through eight weeks without defeat.

Slack marking in the Fitzroy defence always threatened to give East's scoring opportunities.

Hilton Silva also played brilliantly on the wing, but the rest of East's attack lacked penetration until Trenter arrived. The top of the table clash rarely lived up to its star billing.

Tempers flared right through the second half and referee McDermott of Canberra had a field day with his yellow cards.

Fitzroy's Ken Taylor was the first to be reported and his team-mate Jim O'Reilly, followed him after 70 minutes.

Two minutes later it was the turn of Eastern Suburbs defender, Henry Mowbray.

But within 10 minutes two other Fitzroy players were also reported.

They were defender Bobby Provan, and the Fitzroy captain, Pat Bannon.

Header for a Draw

NEWCASTLE — A headed goal by defender Bill Summerscales gave Newcastle a one all draw with South Melbourne in the Philips Soccer League match in Newcastle.

The home side trailed from a Duncan Cummings' goal until Summerscales out-jumped the defence to score from a corner kick in the 71st minute.

South Melbourne hit the lead in the 62nd minute after the match had been scoreless at half-time.

The game came alive when Cummings broke through against the flow of play to open the scoring.

Newcastle came back with the equaliser which triggered a final 20 minutes of exciting play.

AWAY	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
West Adelaide	9	6	2	1	13	8	14
Sth. Melbourne	8	3	4	1	10	7	10
Footscray	8	3	4	1	7	7	10
E. Suburbs	8	3	3	2	17	11	9
Marconi	7	3	3	1	10	5	9
Brisbane Lions	8	3	3	2	13	13	9
Newcastle Utd.	8	2	3	3	10	14	7
Syd. Olympic	8	2	3	3	9	15	7
Adelaide City	7	2	2	3	8	12	6
Fitzroy Utd.	8	1	4	3	9	15	6
Brisbane City	8	2	1	5	11	16	5
W. Suburbs	8	2	1	5	13	19	5
St. George	9	1	2	6	9	16	4
Canberra City	8	1	2	5	6	14	4

AGGREGATE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Marconi	16	10	4	2	36	16	24
West Adelaide	16	10	2	4	26	18	22
E. Suburbs	16	7	5	4	30	17	19
Sth. Melbourne	16	6	7	3	22	16	19
Brisbane Lions	16	5	8	3	23	22	18
Fitzroy Utd.	16	5	7	4	22	22	17
Adelaide City	16	6	4	6	22	23	16
W. Suburbs	16	5	5	6	27	30	15
Brisbane City	16	6	2	8	21	25	14
Footscray	16	4	6	6	13	18	14
Newcastle Utd.	16	3	7	6	21	29	13
Canberra City	16	1	10	5	17	25	12
Syd. Olympic	16	3	5	8	19	30	11
St. George	16	4	2	10	18	26	10

LEADING P.S.L. GOALSCORERS

8 Goals —

Mark Jankovics (Marconi)
Ivan Gruicic (Canberra)
Clive Eaton (Wests)
Gary Cole (Fitzroy)

7 Goals —

Allan Fisher (Wests)
Roberto Vieri (Marconi)
Peter Ollerton (South Melbourne)

6 Goals —

Ken Boden (Newcastle)
Alan Hughes (Lions)
Ernie Campbell (Easts)
Phil O'Connor (St. George)

5 Goals —

Hilton Silva (Easts)
Peter Sharne (Marconi)
Joe Watson (Easts)
Alan Marley (Bris. City)
Gary Marocchi (Adelaide City)
Ian McGregor (West Adelaide)
Jim Campbell (Fitzroy)

PHILIPS LEAGUE STANDINGS

HOME	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Marconi	9	7	1	1	26	11	15
Fitzroy Utd.	8	4	3	1	13	7	11
E. Suburbs	8	4	2	2	13	6	10
Adelaide City	9	4	2	3	14	11	10
W. Suburbs	8	3	4	1	14	11	10
Sth. Melbourne	8	3	3	2	12	9	9
Brisbane City	8	4	1	3	10	9	9
Brisbane Lions	8	2	5	1	10	9	9
West Adelaide	7	4	—	3	13	10	8
Canberra City	8	—	8	—	11	11	8
St. George	7	3	—	4	9	10	6
Newcastle Utd.	8	1	4	3	11	15	6
Syd. Olympic	8	1	2	5	10	15	4
Footscray	8	1	2	5	6	11	4

Wollongong Moves

Wollongong could have a team in the Philips Soccer League within eighteen months, following a meeting of administrators at Fraternity Bowling Club.

Representatives of the Illawarra Soccer Association and the Illawarra Junior body attended the meeting and promised full support for the proposed new team.

Organisers have already contacted P.S.L. manager John Franks to get a run down on the financial requirements of the League.

Fraternity Bowling Club, one of the richest licenced clubs in Illawarra, is backing the operation.

The club has already written to Wollongong City Council seeking a lease on Bradon Park, a new ground being developed close to the club.

Club officials say a ground is the biggest problem at the moment.

At least two major national sponsors have indicated they would back a P.S.L. team in Wollongong, but a ground must be developed as top priority.

Fraternity club are likely to spend ten thousand dollars as an initial sponsorship to help build up a ground into a top class Soccer Stadium.

Frank has advised organisers in Wollongong to have talks with officials of the Newcastle United club.

He said Newcastle is in the best position to advise Wollongong after being accepted into the League earlier this year.

He also warned the Wollongong organisation that entry into the P.S.L. means many months of hard work, but added that if the bid is successful Wollongong would be welcomed with open arms.

Frank said a viable P.S.L. operation in Wollongong will be a big asset to Australian Soccer and he has promised to give any assistance he can.

FREIXENET CASH FOR PSL GOALS

MARLEY FIRST WINNER

FRIEXENET CHAMPAGNE, one of the sponsors of GO SOCCER, has \$500 to give away to a Philips League player from either Brisbane City or Brisbane Lions. The cash will be presented to the player who scores most goals in the two rounds of the League and in addition the player to score most goals in a particular month will receive a beautifully engraved champagne bucket and of course a bottle of Friexenet bubbly to put in it.

Elsewhere in the magazine, you will find the Friexenet ad. and beside it each week we will be listing a table of all the local goalscorers in the Philips League. Our competition begins with the month of May, covering all matches scheduled for rounds 10 to 13. In round 10, Lions defeated Adelaide City 3-1 and the scorers were George Potter, Paul Laslo and Jim Hermiston, while City went down 2-0 to St. George. In round 11, it was Lions turn to finish scoreless with a nil-all draw against Fitzroy, but City downed Sydney Olympic 3-2, which included two from Alan Marley and one from Willie Conner.

On to round 12, and Lions again drew nil-all, this time with Footscray and City defeated Newcastle United 3-2, made up of an own goal and one each from Larry Gaffney and John Coyne. The month was completed with the round 13 local derby between the two clubs, with Lions winning 1-0 through Eddie Spearritt. So Alan Marley's two goals make him the top striker for May and he will receive his prizes before this Sundays match against Marconi. Remember to watch for the weekly goalscoring list beside the Friexenet ad.

SHOULDER'S SWANSONG

SYDNEY—Jimmy Shoulder's last duty as Australian National coach ended in a 1-1 draw with Greece after Murray Barnes converted a 77th minute face saving penalty at the Sydney Cricket Ground.

An uncombative Australian Team trailed 0-1 from the 12th minute, when midfielder Petros Karavitis drove in a glorious angled goal for Greece.

The Greeks vigorously disputed the awarding of the penalty, but Melbourne referee David Yelland had no doubt that Greek defender Petros Ravousis pulled back Australian striker Joe Senkalski.

Senkalski was bearing down on the Greek goal following a cross flighted over by left-winger Phil O'Connor.

The black bearded Murray Barnes strode up to whip the penalty into the roof of the Greek net before goal keeper Nicolaos Christidis had a chance to move.

Shoulder brought St. George's George Harris into his defence for Paul Degney, and Canberra City striker John Davies replaced Peter Sharne in the attack.

Degney and Sharne had caused a sensation by not joining the Australian team's camp on Saturday and playing for their club Marconi.

The incident also resulted in a two thousand dollar fine being imposed on the club.

The game was largely a non-event until the penalty incident, and it reflected Shoulder's attitude that the result did not matter.

After the penalty there was a nasty altercation involving Murray Barnes and Greek right-back John Kyrastas.

Both Harris and the very talented Davies had played full Philip's League matches the previous day.

Phil O'Connor left his bed to join the team and although still hampered by influenza he infused life into the Australian attack when he came on the 60th minute.

Australian striker Senkalski had been out of club football for three weeks and did nothing to justify his selection.

Goalkeeper Gary Meier and striker John Karaspyros were given the chance of a run in the second half, as substitutes.

The whole first half produced only one close effort by the Australians when Barnes' header skirted across the bar in the 29th minute.

Greek coach Alketas Panagoulis said after the match that he was satisfied with his team over the three-match tour which was a build up for the European Cup clash with Russia.

Shoulder, said he was very pleased with his team under the circumstances.

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CLUB NEWS

DUTTON PARK UNITED

SHOCK LOSS

DUTTON PARK suffered a shock loss last week to Albany Creek, a team not rated by many as premier-ship prospects. One could talk about the cow paddock of a pitch and the big ball tactics that are impossible to play any sort of football against, but I won't. All I'll say is congratulations Albany Creek, you did well.

When play started I thought I was at Sandgate Australian Rules Ground, I'm sure the ball only touched the ground a hand full of times and it was in one of those rare moments that Albany Creek scored. A frustrated United defence gave away a direct free kick just outside the penalty area, from which the ball was struck perfectly into the top left corner of the net. Half time score 1-0.

The second half was as boring as the first, the only incident being Dutton Park's star striker Duncan Bramp-ton carried from the field injured in the fifteenth minute. Both sides lacked punch and creativeness taking the tired spectators away none the wiser as to the great skillful game that soccer is.

One would think that Albany Creek should be the best field in Brisbane, considering that not much football is played on it. "Dutton Park" —over confidence has stopped many a side.

UP A GHOST... CASPER

WESTSIDE WIN

LAST weekend marked the end of the round and Westside visited Toowoomba needing two points to keep up with the leaders in the battle for promotion. The game started in windy conditions with

Willowburn frustrating Westside's scoring efforts by using the offside trap. In the thirteenth minute Terry Farley evaded the trap and crossed to Stuart Dedman who netted. Westside scored two more goals (both by David Spencer) before half time and were content to go through the mot-

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ions for the second session. Stuart Dedman and Willie Berka scored a goal each in the second half to make the final score 5-0.

GRANGE-THISTLE NOTES

by the "Sporran"

LAST Friday, at Lanham Park, Grange Thistle struggled to a 1-1 draw with a very determined Annerley. On a night that was not conducive to good football watching, being a very cold night with fairly blustery westerlies blowing, the match didn't really get off the ground.

Annerley being near the foot of the table played with more determination and aggression, (not always legal.)

Referee Bill Monteverde had the whistle more in the mouth than out, and we had a succession of free kicks. From one in Thistle's favour, Steve Dolan gave a short pass to John Wilkinson on the right wing who crossed, and Ken Swan very nearly opened the night's scoring. Pat Blackall fouled fullback Lazenby, from behind and came off second best, and Neil Lovell who has loads of talent, seemed more interested in playing the player than the ball.

The only real shot in this half came from Annerley's Tom Gray, who curled one in from the left which Peter Gee did well to save with his finger tips. The low point of this half was reached when Davy Jones "allegedly" tripped an Annerley player in the box, and the resultant penalty was dispatched very efficiently by Brian Lampitt.

The rest of this half was again punctuated by free kicks to such an extent that Referee Monteverde was almost able to play a tune on his whistle. The second half was not much better, Thistle persisted in long balls out of their half to no-one in particular and Annerley persisted in their appeals for free kicks.

The one and only highlight in the second 45 minutes came from an overlap down the left by Thistle's Davy Jones, and while Annerley claimed for offside on no-one in particular, Jones hit the ball from 22 metres giving John Ferguson no chance at all.

This would have to be the dreariest 90 minutes of 1st division football seen to date. Thistle were hustled out of their rhythm by a desperate Annerley, and did not at any stage look the force they should be.

Annerley on the other hand must prac-

tise a lot at their local swimming pool, as I lost count of the number of dives during the game.

At last count on free kicks Annerley gave away 29 during the match, and Thistle, 15. Chief offenders for Annerley were Messrs, Blackall and Lovell.

This is not entertainment, on a cold night such as experienced last Friday, with the two club's few loyal fans braving the 11 degrees C temperature, we expected a bit more, that was the type of "football" that only the diehards will cross the street to watch.

One highlight of a different nature wast watching Thistle Colt, Paul Barry play the last 20 minutes against his former junior club, not disgraced by any means, but the experience would be invaluable.

MT. GRAVATT CATCH UP

by Brian Richardson

IT has been a long while since Mt. Gravatt appeared in print with Go Soccer and for that we apologise. It is not for lack of interest but simply because we have experienced the not uncommon situation of having our scribe unavailable because of work commitments.

In view of our absence for so long we thought we would catch up on the backlog and give an outline of some of the goings on in our junior club as well as a resume of last weekend's First and Sixth division fixtures.

This year we have registered twenty-three junior teams which represent something like three hundred boys, all of whom are potential top players. We believe we have given them the right opportunity to eventually move into the big time through our nomination for, and acceptance of, a position in the State League competition.

Mt. Gravatt is well known for the way it fosters its juniors through to the senior ranks. A look at our First Division team will prove that point. The present administrators of the Club continue in the belief that this policy is best for soccer in Australia. All we ask is that boys play to the best of their ability without recourse to unfair play or tactics.

To ensure our older boys reach senior status with the correct mental attitude and top physical ability we have appointed Eric Thompson from our First division squad to the position of Junior Director of coaching. Followers of first division soccer will no doubt be aware of Eric's ability on the field. His reputation and per-

sonal approach have made him a winner with the boys and with many of their parents too.

As well as his commitment to the juniors Eric is coach of our Senior Colts team. This is a very young side, but, through their coach, the boys are learning an invaluable lesson for their future—professionalism.

Our ninth division side is plugging along the boys enjoying themselves immensely. They are led by a very modest Dave Plesler who describes himself as Coach, manager, trainer, orange boy and star reserve. In his spare time Dave is also our Club Secretary and, with his wife May, lessee of our Canteen.

Showing the depth of talent we have on the Mountain, our Sixth division boys are right in there nudging at the top of the ladder. Last weekend saw St. Helens travel across to meet us at home. To the delight of the local fans we toppled them from first position though they still have a couple of games up their sleeve. The result 2-1. Goals for Mt. Gravatt were an own goal by St. Helens following a touch from a Dave Costa boomer and one by Robert Christopher from a free. Ricky

Kitching from Saints scored his team's goal from the spot.

After a fairly slow start to the season our first division team is beginning to show its true colours.

Last weekend the Ipswich boys came to Dittmer to avenge their first round 3-2 defeat. The game caused a considerable amount of interest because of Ipswich's contention for the top spot on the ladder. However their hopes were dashed when John Ferguson, who had been roving in the mid-field, swooped on a loose ball and sent it crashing into the back of the net.

Although it was a good fast-moving game, neither side allowed the other many goal scoring opportunities. Only 2 real chances come to mind. One started with a floating pass from Harry Stewart out wide on the right which found the outstretched foot of Gary Bohan. The result was a roar of anguish as the ball drifted tantalisingly just outside the left hand upright. Not long after that, Ipswich were very unlucky not to pick up a point. Gavin Johnston took the ball in a position which the whole of the Mt. Gravatt defence thought was offside. However, linesman and referee were both in good position to

see the move and waved him on. His shot from twenty-five metres passed over the outstretched arms of the advancing Mark Davis only to graze the bar and pass over for a goal kick.

The results of the day's football could not have made the Mt. Gravatt players and supporters happier but a few unfortunate incidents dulled their delight. Two minutes before half time Mike Brzowski jumped for a header. He got the ball away but came down on the leg which had caused him trouble early in the season. Although he hobbled around to finish the half he had to be replaced during the changeover. As if that wasn't enough, 3 minutes before full time, Davey Blackadder, who has worked hard to get back to peak condition, was brought down and was taken to hospital with a suspected broken leg. True to form he still had a grin on his face as they loaded him into the ambulance.

They say all misadventures come in threes and this was certainly the case for us on Sunday 18 June. To top off the field mishaps, Harry Stewart found as he was preparing to leave for home that his father's car had been stolen from outside the ground.

On the whole the day held a mixed bag of fortunes. However the boys are now putting it all together and looking forward to the future with a confidence born of winning and determination to confirm by results their management committee's faith in them in nominating for State League for 1979.

TARINGA TRIUMPH

TARINGA travelled to Runcorn to take on Souths, who, like themselves have been running a bit hot and cold, and with Souths new acquisitions, Kenny Beckett from Merton and Billy Haigh from Mt. Gravatt, adding their brand of experience to the youngsters an interesting joust was guaranteed. The game opened brightly with Taringa pushing the ball around and it wasn't long before ex-Lions goalkeeper John Hardaker was brought into action. Steve Bristow suddenly broke through the backline and took the ball up to the big keeper before slipping it wide, but Hardaker threw himself wide and managed to snatch the ball back. A great save. A few minutes later Bristow had the same move and this time made no mistake. Kenny Beckett was finding old campaigner Arrowsmiths ball skills a problem and Taringa looked as if they might add to their

score, but always the crossballs found Hardaker supreme.

Glen Davis was closing Billy Haigh out of the game and by half time Souths goal chances had been few and far between, mostly isolated breaks by fast moving individuals, rather than built up concentrations. Don't know what John Ferguson said at half time, but Souths came much more into the game and began to show skills in switching the ball from wing to wing and only some good defence by Martin and Larsen prevented a score. However they were throwing too many forward and in a good move down the Taringa right flank, the ball was finally played into Arrowsmith who had wandered into the centre-forward position. The man showed his experience by playing the ball high into the "postage stamp" but was aided by a defender who deflected the ball 8 yards into the opposite corner from where the ball was heading. 2-0 and the Taringa defence now closed the gate completely, absorbing everything the guile of Haigh could dream up. In the closing minutes Bowen was forced into a great diving save that was cleared by some good cover defence. This was the dying effort and the 2-0 result stood to the end. An entertaining game, well handled by officials, who, after a "whistly" start allowed the game to "flow" as much as possible. Souths will get better when Haigh spreads his influence around and John Ferguson returns to the back four. They have only conceded 19 goals in eleven games so it is obvious they have only to start knocking in a few to get on the winning track. Taringa, having only conceded one goal in their last five matches are looking better each week and with Alan Eedy on the way to betterment it won't be long before positions will have to be fought for.

MERTON MEMOS

by Eric Sinclair

AFTER seeing the Ipswich United game at Perry Park I was sure that I would never again see a Merton first division team perform so badly. How wrong I was. After the game against North Brisbane at Perry Park I find myself being elevated or lowered, depending on how you look at it, to the level of the English terraces in having to say "WHAT A LOAD OF RUBBISH".

After the performance against Eagles the week before it looked like a case of "After the Lord Mayor's cart etc." It gets more difficult each week to make excuses for our first eleven, we have seen that they

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are quite capable of good attractive football, yet they regularly come up with performances, which would disgrace even schoolboys.

Earlier in the season our boys were described to me by an opposing player as the fittest in the competition. They didn't indicate this yesterday, there were signs of lethargy in many players which to me indicate a lack of fitness. From the outset some players were almost walking to the ball and consequently being left far behind, there appeared to be a reluctance to tackle, particularly in midfield. This was where North Brisbane dominated. With the exception of about fifteen minutes after the interval Merton were never in this game and the final result of 4-0 was perhaps flattering to them. Not one real chance was created by Merton. The only time the North Brisbane goalkeeper was called on for a save was in the first ten minutes of the game when he was forced to turn a Gerry Kay spectacular around the post. This was a shot from the edge of the box through the North Brisbane defence and could hardly have been described as a chance created by Merton.

We are now only two points away from the bottom of the table, and, in all honesty after the lack lustre performances turned in against Ipswich United, North Brisbane, Mt. Gravatt, Spencer Park and Thistles, we don't deserve to be in any better position on the table.

Again, because of the first division game at Perry Park, I wasn't able to see the Sixth division at Wynnum. I am told by Jim Dolan that they turned in a magic performance to defeat Wynnum by 5 goals to 1. It seems they reserve their best efforts for games I don't see giving me little opportunity to give them a bit of a wrap. Anyway keep up the good work lads, it's nice to see at least one of our senior teams knocking in a few goals.

I made the trip to Redcliffe to watch the Colts on Sunday. The youngsters too are finding it difficult to score goals. They created several scoring chances in this game but the finishing let them down. There is no doubt that they could have, and should have won this game, but the goals didn't come. However the chances were there and with a little luck they will soon get back into the winning list. There are one or two players in this side who must be given an opportunity in the first side soon. At least they will try and that's something that was not readily apparent from some of our seniors at Perry Park on Saturday. As a matter of fact the only player appearing to give a one hundred per cent effort for the time he was on

Perry Park, was young Murphy, after he replaced the injured Rodney Stein. What this kid lacks in size he makes up for with heart and enthusiasm, two qualities which were not readily in evidence at Perry Park on Saturday.

Short and sweet this week. Let's hope the first division give me something to write about next week.

IPSWICH ITEMS

by Iain Kesson

WHAT a day to go down, when we had the chance to go ahead in the League. But credit where it's due, Mt. Gravatt were the more determined side in the second half when they needed it. First half gave us plenty of end to end stuff and there were a number of duels to keep the spectators happy — Johnston v Fisher, Steele v Warren and John Stewart v Humphreys. It was a good interesting game with both sides trying to play football all the time and knock it around. Both sides deserve a pat on the back and so does referee Dave Nugent, who kept up with the play and never lost control. Well done, Dave. I wish we could get a refereeing performance like this every week.

We had our best chance when Mt. Gravatt tried to spring the offside trap but caught by a good run from behind by Steve Dann. He got clean away but his good shot beat the keeper and just clipped the bar. Mt. Gravatt's goal came in the 25th minute. We had only half cleared a cross and it dropped just outside a crowded penalty box. Mt. Gravatt midfielder Ferguson never really got onto his shot. Greg Donnelly had it covered but it took a deflection and went into the far side of the goal. Not a great goal but it doesn't really matter how they are scored. So it was 1-0 down at half time when I felt we were the better side but failed to take our chances.

We only fired well for the first 10 minutes of the second half and Mt. Gravatt gradually took command. Steele and John Stewart were making more space for themselves up front and Steele was unlucky not to score with a header. Harry Stewart was winning the midfield while Thompson and Co. kept things tight at the back. We never stopped trying but it wasn't our day. Johnston tried hard and took heaps for his trouble and Bryan Kathage just couldn't get a right bounce. Mt. Gravatt ran out deserved winners on the day

and the only sad note was young Blackadder's injury in the last 10 minutes in a 50-50 tackle.

Our reserves went down 2-1 to Mt. Gravatt in the 6th division in a game we will want to forget as it was one of our worst performances this year. Bad passing was rife and too many players got involved in the physical side of the game. Here the referee must take a lion's share of the blame as he let things get out of hand on a number of occasions. Again I ask referees to stop their watches and no one loses. Why all the panic. When asked by the team manager after the game why he ordered an injured player to get up and walk off the field for treatment he replied he had been told injured players must go off for treatment. But surely only after the injury has been diagnosed. This lad is only 15 years and got up and hobbled off.

I would like to ask Mr. Lewandowski—What magical powers has he to enable him to judge whether a player has a broken ankle or not. I have seen players with broken bones get up and then collapse in a heap, doing untold damage. Referees who act like this are leaving themselves wide open for big trouble. It's funny how we did not have any problems like this with Mr. Nugent. Players who were injured were allowed treatment ON the field.

Booval Stars were defeated by Industrial United 6-3 last week after being up 3-2 at half time. Industrial opened the scoring in the first 10 minutes, but Stars came back with a good shot from 10 yards by Brad Molloy.

Industrial received a penalty when Phil Twigg pulled down their striker but it was level again when Molloy sent through a great through ball for Barry Wraight. Stars then went to 3-2 with a penalty from Karrol Zankhow. The second half opened with a bang for Industrial, who hammered home three goals inside 10 minutes.

Stars will have to improve on this straight line defence as one through ball beats the whole defence. Johnny Frankish brought off some good saves to keep Stars in with a chance and in the dying stages Graham Suthers tried to pull the game out of the fire. Wally Robbins and Graham Hilliard were unlucky with shots that went just wide. Our senior Colts went further ahead in their League with a good 3-1 away win over St. George at Goodwin Park. Saints had the early pressure with chances from Steven Pennells and Peter Morton testing the St. George keeper. After 35 minutes, St. George took a long hopeful free kick from just inside our own

half and it floated into our goalmouth, where a St. George player headed it in unchallenged from six yards. St. George had a player sent off after halftime sounded for attempted kicking.

Our first goal began with a good pass from Andy Scarff, with Steve Pennells making a strong diagonal run. He controlled it well and scored from 12 yards. Phil Greenall put us ahead from the edge of the box after neatly beating the defence with a stylish sidestep. Our third goal was a beauty. A through ball from Eric Baddley to Kevin Gardiner, who dummied the defence and reversed the pass into the Path of Phil Greenall, who tapped it home.

TRIDENTS MIXED BAG

SECOND DIVISION

SUNDAY, 18th June 1978 provided a mixed bag for Trident. A loss for the second division 2-3 and a win for the seventh division 3-1.

An away game at the Peninsula and having to travel for so long for this game the Trident second division team appeared to be suffering from "sea legs" in the first half.

Trident again squandered two points as they did against Darra on the previous weekend. They created enough chances in the first half to have won this game.

Redcliffe took the initiative and applied pressure and in the eighth minute opened the score. Trident retaliated and counter-attacked forcing Redcliffe defence to give away a free kick in the thirteenth minute.

Ivan Sukic showed that he can use his right foot for things other than standing, by ramming the ball thirty yards through the defensive wall and with the keeper being unable to hold this ball.

Trident 1 Redcliffe 1.

In the thirty-fifth minute Trident was unlucky not to take the lead. Garrie Lake made a scintillating run and a good cross on to which the right winger latched and made a superb drive only to see the ball deflect off a defender.

The second half saw the game recommence at a fast pace and in the fifty second minute, Trident's keeper made a perfect save.

A controversial penalty was awarded against Trident in the sixty first minute for an alleged infringement by Peter Tencate on a Redcliffe player. The penalty was successfully taken and Redcliffe went to a 2-1 lead. In the sixty-fifth minute, Redcliffe broke through Trident's defence and scored their third goal.

Trident did not give up, they pressured Redcliffe and were very unfortunate not to score via Nick Popora, John Kennedy and the late replacement Alec Pyrih.

In injury time John Kennedy (who gave Redcliffe defence a torrid time right throughout the game) was blatantly fouled in the penalty area.

The penalty was taken by John Shepherd who drove it home making the final result, Redcliffe 3, Trident 2.

Trident Seventh division came home with a good 3-1 win over Redcliffe. It's good to see the team returning to their winning form.

The game opened with Trident taking the initiative by attacking and maintaining continuous pressure. These tactics paid off and in the fifteenth minute Trident opened the score. Donnie MacDonald chased a ball to the backline, was covered by the Redcliffe defenders, but under pressure, was able to squeeze in a good right cross which travelled to the left-hand side of the penalty box and Garrie Lake, who was unmarked, made no mistake and headed the ball into the top right-hand corner of the net.

The second goal came four minutes later when Leigh Fett latched onto a loose ball and tucked it away to give Trident a 2-0 lead.

After two quick goals Trident did not

relax and continued to attack and the 29th minute saw a precise pass from Steve Mecner to Garrie Lake, who crossed it to Will Threadgild, who dive-headed the ball only to see it miss the goal by inches. Not to be outdone of his chance of scoring Will increased Trident's lead to 3-0 when in the 31st minute, with a pass from Donnie MacDonald to Steve Mecner who was tripped but whose reflexes were quick enough to kick the ball into Will's path, he hammered home the twenty five yard shot.

The second half was a fairly even affair with the ball flowing from one end to the other with Redcliffe looking a different side. There were plenty of chances for both sides to score.

Unfortunately Trident was unlucky not to increase their lead in the fiftieth minute. The good lead up work by Garrie Lake who crossed to Bruce Leggatt saw a chance miss by inches.

In the eightieth minute Trident was again unlucky when a snap shot from second half replacement John Panasiuk saw the keeper reflect the shot for a corner.

With only minutes to go Redcliffe was rewarded for their efforts by scoring a fine goal which Trident's keeper, Phil Pat-erdis, had no chance of saving.

Donnie MacDonald had a good game. He didn't score himself but was involved in two of our goals and three misses.

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ACACIA RIDGE TOPPLE LEADERS

by Mike Collins

FIRST I must thank both teams for providing we the public, with one of the most entertaining matches in the second division this year, although the result might not be a true reflection that it was a very even affair. In the first half Wynnum could count themselves unlucky not to have been at least one up as it was one way traffic into the Ridge half. Although I said unlucky, Wynnum had themselves to blame with their finishing leaving a lot to be desired, as coach Billy Bryant would agree.

Apart from a couple of shots, one of which brought a great save from Alan Davies and a desperate kick off the line by the Acacia Ridge defence, the goal itself was never in danger. No score at half time and the second half was a reverse of the first, with Acacia Ridge carrying the game into the Wynnum half, although, like Wynnum earlier, they did not present any real danger until after 16 minutes when Terry Kennedy caught the Wynnum keeper flat-footed and chipped home the opening goal.

This seemed to knock the stuffing out of the Wynnum team apart from one instance when yet again Ian Proud was called on to clear his line. Apart from that, it seemed only one result was possible and this was put beyond doubt after 35 minutes when Kennedy slipped past the Wynnum leftback to tap home a very well taken goal. Two players who shone for the Ridge were Jimmy Spence in mid field who ran his heart out and Garth Wilson at rightback. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Acacia Ridge seventh division for going through the first round winning all 11 games, the only team in Brisbane to have done so. Well done lads, keep it up.

ANNERLEY ANALYSIS

by Bill Williams

IT was very cold on the night of Friday 16th when we went out to Lanham Park to play Grange Thistle. In fact it was so cold that a lot of our supporters

took to their cars to watch, which is most unusual. Good pre-match entertainment was provided by a pipe band and with the weather as it was, a fast, exciting match was anticipated, with the players expected to run well, if only to keep warm.

After five minutes Annerley's Brian Lampitt shot wide after good leadup work and from then on Tom Gray and John Reid were prominent in attacking moves. Meanwhile Thistle were playing soundly with John Wilkinson almost unbeatable in their defence and he distributed with great accuracy. Twenty five minutes into the game Annerley were awarded a penalty when newcomer Keith Packer was brought down in the box and Lampitt scored from the spot to give us a 1-0 lead. From the kick off, Thistle swept downfield and a cracking shot from Tony Bailey whistled over the top, to Annerley's great relief.

At 1-0 at half time, we anxiously awaited to see how our team would perform in the second half and to be honest they did not play as well as in the first session, but this was partly because of the tremendous pressure exerted by Thistle in their search for the equaliser. In the first 15 minutes the visitors were forced to concede many corners but the defence held firm, due especially to the outstanding efforts of Mal Oakes and Stan Dunlop. After 2 minutes Thistle did even the score when Davey Jones broke down the left and when Annerley hesitated looking for offside he thumped a good shot past Ferguson to level at 1-1.

With a couple of minutes to go, it was mentioned on the Annerley bench that a goal now would give us a good win, but Thistle looked the more likely to score and we came away happy with a point for the draw. I thought the referee had a good match although the very vocal supporters from each side would disagree. Even the Thistle bench was pretty vocal and the ref. spoke to them at one stage. He is of the type who has a word with players following bad tackles or other incidents and generally I believe this is the best way.

But at some stage the caution card needs to be shown. I think more than an admonishment was needed when, rightfully pulled up for two bad tackles in a row, a Thistle player called the referee a "four letter" clown, in loud tones and was clearly heard by everyone at the ground.

ROVERS OVERTAKE SALISBURY

THIRD division — simple possession football was the key to Rovers 1-nil win over Salisbury at Massinger Street, last Saturday.

Rovers gave a fine example of one-two passing and seemed to control the midfield for large periods. Their winning goal came early in the second half following a goal-mouth scramble when the Salisbury defence was uncharacteristically hesitant. The ball bobbed several times in the penalty area before a Rovers foot got the vital touch pushing it into the net.

After the goal Rovers pushed forward and but for some fine goal-keeping by Salisbury's Colin Jensen, they could have scored at least two more.

Jensen did well on several occasions to push the ball wide and showed his skill when he held two diving saves.

Although Salisbury did not play as well as in past weeks they did enough to deserve a draw. A brilliant headed goal by Salisbury's prolific scorer, Bruce Austin, was disallowed after the referee ruled a defender was pushed.

Austin ran well throughout the game and often caused panic in the Rovers defence but again was tightly marked. Winger, Dave Murray had another good but unlucky game. With two defenders on Austin, Murray took advantage of his extra space and shot well but fractionally wide.

His best scoring opportunity came in the first half when four quick passes by the Salisbury midfield had the Rovers defence stretched. Murray received the ball on the edge of the penalty area where he controlled it and hit a smashing volley which scraped past the outside of the upright.

The Dynamic Duck, Steven Donald, and new father, Steve Gillard, both had solid games at the back, playing with authority and determination.

Graham Stone and Trevor Taylor tried hard in the Salisbury midfield but their skill was nullified by tough tackling. The win enabled Rovers to leap-frog Salisbury and take the lead in the competition so Salisbury will be looking for some good performances in the future to regain the number one position.

PETER BRILLIANT

EIGHTH DIVISION — The individual brilliance of striker Peter Wybranowski, earned Salisbury a 4-nil win over University last week.

Wybranowski, who scored three goals, dazzled the University defence with his displays of controlled dribbling and delicate flicks. His first goal came in typical style when he took the ball near the half-way line and dribbled through the defence, beating at least four players, then side-footing past the on-coming goalkeeper.

For his second goal he unleashed the power of his left foot and blasted a shot into the University goal that gave the keeper virtually no chance.

His last goal, for his hat-trick, was a carbon copy of his first with defenders panicking and committing themselves.

Salisbury's other goal was scored by left-winger Michael McIntyre, who was relieved to see the ball go in after hitting the post in every game for the past four weeks. McIntyre was unlucky not to get another goal when his shot went wide following a movement which had started at the right fullback position. Midfielder, Chris Bowen, was also unlucky not to score. He hit a powerful shot from about 30 yards but watched it rebound off the cross-bar.

Salisbury were always in control and kept possession for long periods. The mid field strung passes together and but for some better finishing the score could have gone higher. Salisbury goal-keeper, Dave Wolczeni, stopped any threat of a University goal and handled safely. His cool and casual style again had spectators on edge but as he proved last week, he was always in control.

Sweeper, John Robinson, returning from injury, had a brilliant game at the back as did Warwick Wonder, Greg Gillespie and Pommy Al Barrows.

Gary Plant played well but was unable to emulate his Rivelino-like goal of the previous week. Mark Bridgen had a good shot from a free-kick and Calvin D. Jacobs played his usual jiving game.

TOO SLOW

SENIOR COLTS — Salisbury were always a yard too slow when they lost 7-4 to Richlands Windmills, at Richlands, on Sunday, June 18.

Although the team did not play badly they had trouble containing the fast Richlands strikers who broke with monotonous regularity. Overall the game was a display of wasted chances and senseless

passes. Many of the eleven goals scored were due to stupid poorly-timed passes from the defence to goal-keeper.

Although conceding seven goals, Salisbury goalkeeper, Steve Brown played well and made some fine saves. He was supported by a good game in defence by John Hollingsberry. The first half was a see-saw event with Salisbury managing to equalise each time Richlands went ahead. Richlands went to a 5-3 lead at half time following an unfortunate own-goal when Hollingsberry attempting to clear off the line, steered the ball into the goal.

Salisbury strikers, Brad Cotton and Glen Switzer again got on the scoresheet and appear to be finding form. Midfielder, Mal Pollock, playing his first game since returning from the United States, scored a great headed goal after an inch-perfect cross by Glenn Stead, who was making his debut in Senior Colts.

Other youngsters who made their debuts were Russell Khul, Harry Kal, Ross Carter and John Winner. They all played well and some can look forward to further call-ups.

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
Eagles	12	7	2	3	21	18	16
Ipswich Utd.	12	7	1	4	22	11	15
Thistle	12	5	4	3	24	12	14
St. George	12	5	4	3	17	11	14
Nth. Brisbane	12	5	4	3	24	16	14
Mt. Gravatt	12	6	2	4	16	15	14
Spencer Park	12	5	2	5	19	21	12
Redlands	12	4	2	6	16	22	10
Merton	12	4	2	6	11	18	10
Richlands	12	4	1	7	15	24	9
Sunnyside	12	3	2	7	14	20	8
Annerley	12	1	6	5	10	21	8

SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Wynnum	11	9	—	2	31	13	18
Gold Coast	11	7	2	2	25	18	16
Coalstars	11	7	1	3	22	18	15
Mitchelton	11	6	2	3	21	12	14
Acacia Ridge	11	6	1	4	20	14	13
Trident	11	5	2	4	17	17	12
Taringa	11	4	2	5	15	14	10
Redcliffe	11	4	1	6	13	25	9
Darra	11	2	4	5	19	20	8
Oxley	11	3	2	6	19	22	8
Souths	11	4	—	7	10	19	8
Fort. Valley	11	—	1	10	21	41	1

THIRD DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Rovers	11	7	3	1	21	12	17
Salisbury	11	7	2	2	22	8	16
Westside	11	7	1	3	33	14	15
St. Albans	11	7	1	3	27	13	15
Newmarket	11	7	1	3	28	15	15
Pine Rivers	11	6	2	3	27	21	14
Olympic	11	6	1	4	25	14	13
Nerang	11	3	1	7	13	24	7
North Star	11	2	3	6	11	29	7
The Gap	11	2	1	8	16	23	5
Willowburn	11	2	1	8	15	42	5
Inala Rangers	11	1	1	9	12	35	3

FOURTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Twin Towns	11	8	2	1	35	13	18
Goodna	11	8	1	2	27	6	17
Industrial	11	8	1	2	43	22	17
Kingsridge	11	7	2	2	32	26	16
Brighton	11	5	2	4	40	24	12
University	10	6	—	4	19	12	12
Booval Stars	11	4	3	4	19	20	11
Northside	10	4	1	5	23	20	9
Bayside	11	2	3	6	25	31	7
Toowong	11	3	—	8	9	19	6
Rochedale	11	1	1	9	11	34	3
Padua	11	1	—	10	12	68	2

FIFTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
RAAF	11	8	2	1	30	6	18
South Star	11	8	1	2	25	16	17
Dutton Park	11	7	2	2	43	9	16
Adams Park	10	7	1	2	24	9	15
Albany Creek	11	6	3	2	27	14	15
Wacol	10	5	2	3	31	16	12
Samford	11	5	2	4	24	22	12
Slacks Creek	11	2	3	6	11	24	7
North Pine	11	2	2	7	15	28	6
Police Acad.	11	2	1	8	15	22	5
Greenbank	11	2	—	9	6	46	4
Moggill	11	1	1	9	13	52	3

SIXTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Mt. Gravatt	13	9	1	3	30	17	19
St. Helens	11	9	—	2	33	14	18
Annerley	13	9	—	4	30	23	18
Eagles	12	8	—	4	42	22	16
Sunnyside	12	7	1	4	35	18	15
Redlands	12	7	1	4	31	19	15
Nth. Brisbane	12	7	—	5	28	27	14
Wynnum	12	5	1	6	23	31	11
Merton	11	3	2	6	16	28	8
Thistle	11	2	—	9	11	46	4
Richlands	12	1	2	9	14	48	4

Brisbane City & Marconi — 2 Great Rivals



A member of the brains trust of the Marconi side, midfielder Jimmy Rooney, watches the outcome of this heading duel between Larry Gaffney and John Russell.



NOT legal but effective as Peter Tokesi decided this was the best way to try and halt Bertie Mariani's progress during last year's Philips Cup final clash between the two sides.

SEVENTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Acacia Ridge	11	11	—	—	44	7	22
Mitchelton	11	9	1	1	38	13	19
Taringa	11	7	—	4	21	18	14
Trident	11	6	1	4	34	23	13
Gold Coast	11	6	1	4	32	23	13
Oxley	11	5	1	5	26	32	11
Darra	11	4	2	5	25	17	10
Redcliffe	11	4	2	5	20	18	10
Souths	11	4	—	7	19	25	8
Rovers	11	3	—	8	18	37	6
Fort. Valley	11	3	—	8	16	46	6
Pine Rivers	11	—	—	11	10	44	0

EIGHTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
St. Albans	11	9	2	—	39	10	20
Salisbury	10	7	2	1	28	11	16
North Star	11	7	1	3	44	14	15
Westside	11	6	2	3	12	8	14
Newmarket	10	5	3	2	32	16	13
The Gap	11	6	1	4	22	12	13
Olympic	11	5	2	4	27	21	12
University	11	5	—	6	24	17	10
Rochedale	11	4	2	5	18	11	10
Inala Rangers	11	1	1	9	16	57	3
Toowong	11	—	2	9	13	43	2
Brighton	11	—	2	9	15	70	2

NINTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Taringa	11	8	3	—	43	6	19
Mitchelton	11	8	2	1	38	6	18
Annerley	11	8	1	2	54	10	17
Wynnum	11	8	1	2	34	8	17
Goodna	11	6	1	4	43	23	13
North Star	11	5	1	5	27	15	11
Bayside	11	4	2	5	17	33	10
Mt. Gravatt	11	4	1	6	26	23	9
Industrial	11	4	—	7	31	32	8
Adams Park	11	3	—	8	16	34	6
Souths	11	1	—	10	9	75	2
Redcliffe	11	1	—	10	7	80	2

COLTS POINTS TABLE

COLTS A	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Thistle	13	10	2	1	32	7	22
Redcliffe	13	9	2	2	25	10	20
Nth. Brisbane	12	9	1	2	30	13	19
Merton	12	8	2	2	26	10	18
Richlands	13	7	1	5	36	23	15
Coalstars	13	5	4	4	21	21	14
Acacia Ridge	13	5	3	5	22	23	13
Mitchelton	13	6	—	7	35	32	12
North Star	13	5	1	7	27	31	11
Salisbury	13	4	2	7	20	33	10
Annerley	13	2	4	7	25	33	8
Mt. Gravatt	13	4	—	9	25	41	8
Pine Rivers	13	3	—	10	22	43	6
Gold Coast	13	1	2	10	12	38	4

COLTS B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
St. Helens	13	12	—	1	43	7	24
Spencer Park	13	11	1	1	43	6	23
Thistle	13	10	1	2	39	12	21
St. George	13	9	2	2	45	16	20
Inala City	13	9	1	3	46	12	19
Redlands	12	5	3	4	26	22	13
The Gap	12	5	1	6	19	20	11
Wynnum	13	5	1	7	31	43	11
Bardon Jnr.	13	5	—	8	18	26	10
Newmarket	13	4	—	9	20	58	8
Ipswich City	12	3	—	9	18	42	6
Virginia	12	2	1	9	12	37	5
Nth. Brisbane	13	2	—	11	15	27	4
Souths	13	1	1	11	15	62	3

LEADING FIRST DIVISION

GOALSCORERS

- 10 Goals — Steve Perkovic (Sunnyside)
- 8 Goals — Brian Lampitt (Annerley), Len Pollock (Norths), Tony Bailey (Thistle)
- 7 Goals— Tony Brennan (Eagles)
- 6 Goals — Ian Steele (Mt. Gravatt), Ian Lawrie (Ipswich Utd.)
- 5 Goals— Gerry Kay (Merton), Ron Millman (Eagles), Paul Sleight (Richlands), Craig Wallace (Spencer Park), Steve Constantinou (St. George), Gavin Johnston (Ipswich Utd.)

SINGAPORE THRASHING

SINGAPORE — England's "B" team beat the Singapore National squad 8-0 in a soccer match at the National Stadium here.

After leading 1-0 at half-time the visiting team outclassed and outplayed the Singapore side before a home crowd of about 35,000 people.

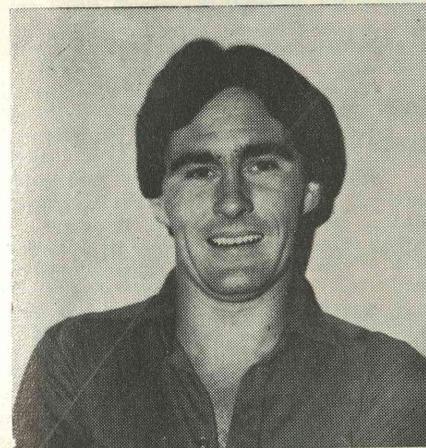
The goals were scored by Alan Kennedy, Paul Mariner, Steve Daley, Tommy Langley, Vic Anderson, Mel Eaves and Gordon Hill (2).

POLISH PROMOTION

WARSAW — Gwardia Warsaw and GKS Katowice advanced to the Polish Soccer First Division to replace Zawisza Bydgoszcz and Gornik Zabrze, who were relegated early last month.

Brisbane City Club News

SPOTLIGHT ON— JOHN LAVELLE



- Full Name John Lavelle
- Birthplace Glasgow
- Birthdate 10th July, 1953
- Height 5' 7"
- Weight 140lbs
- Previous Clubs Greenock Morton — Capetown City
- Married Someone does my washing.
- Car Holder
- Favourite Player Kenny Daglish
- Favourite Other Team Liverpool
- Most Difficult Opponent .. Frank Pimblett in training.
- Most Memorable Match Debut in Scotland, First Division.
- Biggest Thrill: Signing Professional Forms
- Biggest Disappointment Being released by Morton
- Best Country Visited South Africa
- Favourite Food Chinese — Italian
- Miscellaneous likes reading, squash
- Miscellaneous Dislikes Waiting in a queue, Traffic hold-ups.
- Favourite T.V. Shows .. Big Match, News

Favourite Singer Rod Stewart, Cat Stevens
Favourite Actor/Actress: Clint Eastwood, Jacqueline Bisset.

Best Friend I have several
Biggest Influence on career: My parents, Eric Smith (Now in Saudi Arabia)

Biggest Drag in Soccer Being injured, losing, Playing Badly, Bad Referees

Honours Scottish Professional Youths Under 18, Glasgow Schools.

Personal Ambition To be happy in life
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Juniors Spaghetti Night

THIS proved to be a most successful night and over 300 people came along to the Tavernetta to enjoy the evening. Profit from this evening came to \$930.25, which will be put to good use. As you are aware this year we are sending 3 teams on tour. These teams are Under 14 (1), under 14 (3), and Junior Colts (2). This money will make sure that when planning the boys' trip away, we can do so knowing that all monies are already in the bank. The Junior Committee wish to thank our sponsors for the evening. Gino Arquilla for the raffle, Nanda Pasta for the spaghetti and Australian-Italian Bowling Club for the hall.

Our thanks also go to the boys of the above mentioned teams who came along and acted as waiters for the evening. It was hard work, but I feel sure they thought it worthwhile, knowing that they are the ones who would benefit from the proceeds. Thank you to all parents and children who came along to make it such a huge success.

The Junior Committee met last week with coach Denis Ford, and we see great things ahead for our Juniors as Mr. Ford will be coaching them when time permits. To start the ball rolling there is a meeting of all coaches, managers and interested parents on Monday 10th July 1978 at

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Spencer Park Make sure you come along prepared with track-suit and training shoes. This coaching session starts at 7 p.m. so please be on time.

Miss Brisbane City Quest

There are now 6 girls in the quest—
 Gabriella Antonelli, sponsored by Vince Calice and Fernando Antonelli
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Luciana Ricato, sponsored by Frank Trabuco.

Fund-raising functions are going on every week for these girls so as I have said in the past, "Try to attend at least one of these functions." You will not only be helping our Club but helping the girls to bigger and better prizes. For any information from interested young ladies, contact: Pam Simeone 266 9908.

Our Club House

At long last, things are on the move at SPENCER PARK. For those of our club members who have not been to the club house of late, lots of changes are under way. The upstairs of the building is nearing completion with toilets having been tiled and the bar area also been tiled. The dance floor has been laid, and our kitchen area is the next to be finished. All this activity which has been going on in the last few weeks is due to our new building Director Mario Napoli, who is really getting things together. Our thanks go to the following for their donation of equipment and most of all for their time. Mr. Pernicano, 5 doors, 1 toilet — M. Napoli, 2 handbasins and 3 days carpenters labour — S. Mazza, 1 toilet and 20 litres of paint. A. Pagano, 1 toilet and half a day labour. — S. Sciacca, 1 toilet — Augusto Iuvale, 1 days tiling — M. Romano, 3 days tiling — F. Mazza, half a day labour — Otto Sciavon, mirrors for toilets — P. Carbone, 2 doors

More help is needed so if you can assist

in any way please contact Mario Napoli on 57 6092.

And once again our thanks go to our Life Member and long time friend of Brisbane City, Gino Arquilla, who has so generously sponsored the cost of erection of the bar upstairs. Thanks Gino.

Goal Scorers for Brisbane City

Alan Marley	5
Kevin Caldwell	4
Roberto Echeverria	3
Larry Gaffney	2
Willie Conner	2
John Coyne	1
John Lavelle	1

Comments on Opponents

Nereo Saftich says:

Last season Marconi won 1-0 and quoting Rale Rasic "Brisbane City deserved more" and followed by Marconi's loss in the Philips League Cup Final, Rale Rasic said, "You just can't win in Brisbane". This statement may be correct if Brisbane City players can recall the last encounter in Sydney and apply themselves to the task of "BEATING MARCONI".

THE GAME LAST YEAR

BRISBANE CITY 0, MARCONI 1

CITY last year had the unenviable task of playing their first game of the inaugural Philips League against Marconi, who with Rale Rasic as their coach were the undoubted favourites (and again this year Marconi is proving what a great team they are) but let's get back to the 3rd April, 1977, where Iain Kesson had quite a job on his hands. A large crowd watched a see-saw battle. Most of the game was played in defence and this was where Jim Hermiston proved what a great asset he was, and with Peter Tokesi held the Marconi strikers at bay. Another player that gave of his best was City's new acquisition Larry Gaffney, who held his head high in such esteemed company as Rooney Byrne and Richards all who are internationals. Marconi had to wait until 11



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minutes from full time to snatch the 2 points from an unlucky City side.

BRISBANE CITY:- Borzi, Rathmell, Hermiston, Tokesi, Nielsen, Herdle, Pimblett, Gaffney, Coyne, Johnson, Caldwell. Reserves: (69 Kibbey) (66 Conner).

MARCONI:- Maher, Robertson, Jones, Prskalo, Byrne, Degney, Selvage, Rooney, Richards, Sharne, Carrizo. Reserves. (40, Campbell) (78, Mariani).

GOAL: Sharne, 79th minute.

ANSWER TO MR. JENSEN

SOME people in soccer never cease to amaze and Mr. Jensen, who I presume to be the President of Redcliffe Soccer Club, is no exception. Mr. Jensen attempted last issue to give advice to either our editor, myself, the Taringa Rovers Soccer Club, the Taringa Rovers committee or the Taringa Rovers supporters, the letter was not too specific, but one thing was for sure he was way, way off beam by the proverbial mile and then some.

Mr. Jensen I am not a Taringa 'supporter' but rather a supporter of soccer having long ago trained myself to watch soccer with a completely unbiased eye. As a supporter of soccer I report games the way I see them, honestly and sincerely and make no secret of the fact that my criticisms are opinionated whether they are enjoyed by the reader or not. That my opinion did not go down well with the President of the club being criticised does not surprise me, but in this case saddens me some.

Let me explain this latter statement. Some years ago when the first division was increased to twelve teams there was no one worked harder behind the scenes to have Redcliffe brought in than I did. This was done because I have always felt the peninsula was one of the true "new" areas in the Brisbane district that could support, in its own right, a top soccer club.

That the club was at that time "examined" by the QSF as a potential incumbent was just reward for the aforesaid efforts. Unfortunately it was not to be. A few years later I had occasion to quietly visit the then new ground at Victoria Road and was convinced even more that Redcliffe should be at the top. Last year I saw, reported on and was

REFEREE: D. Miles (QLD.)

CROWD: 5,000

CAUTION: Herdle.

Honour to Guido Canale

Congratulations to Guido Canale who was honoured in the Queen's Birthday list by being awarded an M.B.E. (Member of the British Empire) for his contribution to the Italian Community and sport.

entertained by a game at Victoria Road, between Redcliffe and Mitchelton and was sorry to see that by seasons end the team had not realised its then potential.

My latest visit to Victoria Road did as you suggested Mr. Jensen, it did disappoint me, it did mentally distress me, but not because of my supposed "Taringa leanings" as you rather pathetically tried to make out, but because all my original thoughts on the potential of the Redcliffe club were shattered.

More worrying was the fact that I have seen some junior games involving Redcliffe teams and it has not gone unnoticed that your Colts team are hard on the heels of Thistle with a very impressive record. So there is no doubt in my mind that the potential is still there. Unfortunately a club is judged by its end product. The performance of its top team and in the present Brisbane leagues, this is no longer measured in results, but in the quality and standard of play and players

Mr. Jensen, I have watched and reported on a total of 27 games this season at PSL, first division and second division level and the Redcliffe v Taringa is the only one at which I was moved to write the way I did and I make no apologies for doing so. That the message went over your head is obvious and for that I am sorry. Soccer is a game that can only flourish in a constructive mode, perish in a destructive mode and as President of the club I would have hoped you may have "laid down the law", too bad, one thing's for sure, as long as Redcliffe continue to employ their present tactics, they, not Taringa, won't be bothered by my presence and believe me for that I am truly sorry.

Insideman

WHERE EAGLES DARE



Full name — Kenneth Hamilton Gordon
 Birthplace Paisley, Scotland
 Birthdate 18th December, 1955
 Height 5' 11"
 Weight 10st.
 Previous Clubs Southside Belmont (Jr.)
 Married — Yes, Beth
 Children None
 Car Toyota Corolla

Favourite player Denis Law (Past)
 Kenny Dalglish (Present)
 Favourite other team St. Mirren
 Most difficult opponent Nobody in particular
 Most memorable match Beating St. George 1977 Semi-final
 Biggest thrill Making 1st division debut
 Biggest disappointment Losing League and Grand final 1977
 Best Country visited Canada
 Favourite food Mince & Potatos, Rice Pudding
 Miscellaneous likes Music, relaxing
 Miscellaneous dislikes Getting out of bed, inconsiderate people
 Favourite TV shows MASH, Most Sports Programmes
 Favourite singers Bee Gees, Wings
 Favourite actor/actress Peter O'Toole, Glenda Jackson
 Best friend My wife
 Biggest influence on career Iain Kesson
 Biggest drag in soccer Having to play on the same team as "Super-snail" at training
 Which person in the world would you most like to meet — The person who delivers the winning pools cheque

CAN LIONS DO IT?

GYULA VINCZE has a very pleasant problem this week, how he will solve it remains to be seen but no doubt he will not have any lost sleep over it. Last weekend saw Lions, in a glorious fifteen minute spell, set Perry Park alight with the type of attacking football we have always known them capable of, but have seldom seen, and it is here the problem arises for three of the men involved in the three goals have all been on the substitutes bench of late. Barrie Fairbrother roared into this game looking for goals and the first half saw three or four daring, diving, headers that rocketed over the top or past the post.

Lions who all the pundits had written off before the game, played the first 45 minutes with their usual tentative build up, but Alan Niven was getting down the flank and crossing great balls behind the defence where Fairbrother was doing his

thing with no luck. Jim Hermiston and George Potter were getting used to each other all over again and John Neale was doing his usual chase around job. Geoff Morris was doing a mini Spearritt job in midfield and Hughes was shuttling back and forth between midfield and front runner, but even he looked to be completely out of touch when he missed two "sitters" that on a training ground he would have scored with his eyes closed.

Steve Amos was doing nothing good nor was he doing anything bad and as the second half opened, Wests looked as if they were about to get the counters that would take the points back to Sydney. Then it happened and we'd like to analyse the goals to see if it helps in finding out where the magic came from.

Amos, having moved to the right midfield, hoisted a cross to the far post where

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5 GOALS—

ALAN MARLEY (BC)

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KEVIN CALDWELL (BC)

3 GOALS—ROBERTO ECHEVERRIA (BC)
PAUL LASLO (BL)**2 GOALS—**LARRY GAFFNEY (BC)
JOHN NEALE (BL)
GEOFF MORRIS (BL)
JIM HERMISTON (BL)
WILLIE CONNER (BC)
BARRIE FAIRBROTHER (BL)
EDDIE SPEARRITT (BL)**1 GOAL—**JOHN LAVELLE (BC)
PAUL ONTONG (BL)
GEORGE POTTER (BL)
JOHN COYNE (BC)
STEVE AMOS (BL)

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it found Neale in a place where by rights he shouldn't have been, at the far post. John did what he is so good at, rose high above the defence and powered in an unsaveable header that came off the post. Hughes, on the spot, did the needful. So the goal gave us a midfielder who had moved, another midfielder doing his thing where he is very valuable and a "left winger" in where the action is.

The second goal saw Niven who had moved into midfield hoist a great ball across to Fairbrother who, with Ontong in attendance, chasing the ball, headed down to Amos moving forward who immediately cracked it home.

The third goal found Ontong moving in from the left wing drive a cross shot along the ground into the goalmouth where Fairbrother bullocked his way between two defenders to get number three.

You will note all three goals were created and executed by players who had moved and this is where we feel Lions troubles have been originating, players, intent on precise build up have not been moving nearly enough to capitalise on the time and space created by their ball movement. To see the ball moved square or back so often in the first half was tragic, but what a difference when Neale, Ontong, Hughes, Niven and Amos began to do some positive thinking and running off the ball. With Col Bennett back this week Vince has to find a place and it wouldn't surprise to see Niven moved forward or Leon Wilson left out as Leon is another player who is not playing with full confidence. The lad has to realise he is on the field because his coach thinks he is good enough and play accordingly, with confidence and skill. What he will do in the middle or up front is anyone's guess but if ever a game has to be won this weekend's joust in Melbourne is it. A victory will put Lions right in there vying for the championship. Go to it lads.

Insideman.

KENTUCKY FRIED CUP

LAST weekend saw the last game in the first round proper of the kids big competition — the Kentucky Fried Cup. What a game the draw threw up — Brisbane City v Lions — so that one of the big two had to go, and these kids set about the job in a manner that suggested that it wasn't going to be their particular team.

City started off with a typical "Nereo Saftich" tactic, a charge down the field, maximum pressure on the Lions goal and there was Dino Morgance driving the ball into the net to give his side a

one goal lead after thirty seconds. What a start the fastest goal so far in the Kentucky Fried Cup and one that will be hard to beat.

The first half of the game developed into a battle between two individuals — Andrew Mollee playing centre half for Lions and Dino Morgance who plays centre forward with a degree of skill, pace and sheer cheek that must have a few of my Brisbane City friends wishing he were ten years older. It wasn't that these two were the only two good players on show but they were outstanding in ability and it says a lot for Mollee that, despite the little centre having three great dribbling runs of 40 or 50 yards, City didn't manage to score again.

George Travers helped Mollee a lot during this spell tackling and intercepting with all the confidence of a veteran.

After the turn Lions came into the game as an attacking force but little pivot Anthony Ciavarella managed to halt the advance and started a few attacks for City. Gradually the "Azzurris" worked their way up the field and in a delightful move even Mollee had to admit defeat when Alfie Catalan did a "Rivera", wiggling his hips, opening up a big gap with the movement then pivoting to crash home number two What a goal!! It was all City now but suddenly in a breakaway Jason Keegan netted a great counter to bring Lions into the game. 2-1 and we had a cup tie now but Morgance, Catalan and Whisson on the left wing all combined well to keep the pressure on the Lions defence and that kept the ball at the wrong end so the City boys advanced to the next round on a 2-1 score. City are a good side, well coached, they move the ball around with skill far beyond their years.

For Lions Mollee and Travers worked wonders but were finally overwhelmed with many variations of play.

Miniman

Points to Ponder

WELL known soccer wag in game reckons present increase in meat prices will be of great benefit to Mitchelton and Dutton Park supporters, as the "Chopper Squad" and RAAF will no doubt receive a much depleted ration of raw meat at training sessions.

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ANOTHER moral victory for GO SOCCER? Our under 19 squad and our under 16 squad are now in training for next years titles!! Great, tremendous, all the adjectives can be used for this quiet piece of news that slipped out through the week. Fred Robins has been given a vote

of confidence by the management committee and is taking the under 19 squad every Monday evening. Denis Ford, Brisbane City's coach is doing likewise with the under 16 lads and now that these two men know the score you can bet a bit of planning will go on between now and the next time the youngsters are asked to don the maroon and white. Congratulations to all concerned, a monumental milestone has been reached. We are at last on the road to success. Our boys may or may not win next years title but at least they are being given a chance to achieve the goals that have now been set for them — the Under 19 World Cup Australian team.

—oOo—

ALL is quiet on the Queensland team front. Appears Lions Promotions Committee, who originated the idea, being backed by Kentucky Fried Chicken, have run into that bane of Australian soccer, politics. First of all NSW opted for a different date and upped the ante. The Lions Promotions Committee agreed and suggested a match on Exhibition Wednesday. Appears QSF had quietly proposed a Queensland v NSW game on same date? Lions Promotions Committee then suggested night game on July 4th but have had no reply. Then NSW president Karol Rodny is reported in southern press as saying a game may soon be played between NSW and Queensland using — State League players only! Ever see such a conglomerate of mixed up information, communication and downright bad management? And to think the Queensland v Australia game last November took about three hours for the men to organise and have staged?

—oOo—

WE made it again. Top headlines in our local daily. Right in front of the sports page too. What happened? No it wasn't a World Cup report, no it wasn't an Australia v Greece report, it wasn't even a Philips Cup report, no, some whipper snapper had two or three beers too much at an after game celebration in Townsville and played up. The local Federation management hammered them. Result — headlines for soccer. Last week thousands of viewers all over Australia saw legalised mayhem on TV. Wales and Australia punching, gouging, heading and kicking to their hearts content while referee Bob Burnett stood back and watched. Then we watched Queensland "taking on" NSW in Sydney and they appeared to get on better at the swinging and punching than they did at playing. Outcome — a refined voice at Ballymore tut-tutting and saying "All this is unfortunate." George and

Mick sat back and laughed, Mick saying "He's not a good fighter." What did all this rate in our local press? Not a bloody word. And they say soccer is beset and plagued by violence. They must be joking. Come on you Sports Editors, if nothing be fair, that supposed high ideal of all Australian sportsmen.

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IT appears we have another "Gerd Mueller" playing in obscurity in Brisbane third division. At least that's his nickname according to reporter. Bet some first division teams might sneak a look — just in case!

—oOo—

FOR the statistically minded. Only two teams have two strikers in the Leading Goalscorers List at the season's half way marks. Is it coincidence that the two teams are leading the league? Must be a moral somewhere. If you are lucky enough to find two goalgetters you double the chances of success.

—oOo—

DARRA did what they've been threatening for weeks. After drawing with Taringa and then Trident, they knocked over second division front runners Mitchelton by 2-1, just proving once again that the second division is no sure thing for any team. With Acacia Ridge beating Wynnum 2-0 and Coalstars just edging out Oxley 4-3 the table this week sees big changes at the top, Mitchy dropping to fourth spot, their lowest position this season. Gold Coast, with a close odd goal in five win over "still to win" bottom team Valleys, take over second spot with Coalstars making up the four in third place. WEST Adelaide, the quiet starless team, are obviously the one to watch in Philips League. With Marconi getting knocked off for the second time in three matches the Westad boys have marched on to find themselves now parked two points behind the Rasic raiders. The League has opened up and the three major cities are now represented in the top four, Marconi, Westad and South Melbourne with old faithfuls Hakoah waiting for the run-in. If only Lions had a couple of strikers? A win this weekend will do it.

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WONDER what the big two in Brisbane think now? Both have been beset by injury problems in recent weeks and to think at one time they were offered every first division team as potential reserve strength. They refused! With Iain Fagan wandering around like a latter day prodigal son between City and St. George and Gyula Vincze looking with some trepidation at his young starlets in the Richlands team, who are only halfway along the road, we

wonder, is everything being done to ensure Queensland's reputation at a national level. We think not.

—oOo—

A "BRISBANE defence" did a good job last week against Greece. With Bennett, Perry and Iozzelli in the backline we had good representation and it proves once again that the selection of an Australian team is now a truly national task with players playing in every State who are capable of doing a job. Courtesy of Philips League.

—oOo—

NEW "innovation" at Perry Park on matchdays sees members faced with a long walk to gain entry to their club bar. Front door and gate was locked to all comers giving the place an air of "Boggo Road." Certainly more room in members bar but rather drastic step to take in order that the members and guests law is maintained.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir,

Noticed in Points to Ponder, 10.6.78, comment about apparent lack of interest in State League by 2nd Division clubs. "Coalstars" of Ipswich, one of the clubs mentioned, has shown an interest which

has not yet been recognised.

The club has its own ground which has a good playing surface, seating and facilities, and a recently completed \$40,000 clubhouse. They have always had junior teams, many of which have been successful. Last years Colts Grand Final winners being an example.

Coalstars must feel that they have an excellent basis on which to build a State League team that can only improve as junior talent and finances improve. No doubt that is why on the 6th March, 1978 they submitted an application with the Queensland Soccer Federation.

F. J., Yeronga.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir,

Read with interest last week the notes on the game between Grange Thistle and St. George. The report mentioned the condition of the Yeronga ground.

Mr. Sporan may well be right in his judgment regarding the playing surface of this park. With this I must commend Grange for having one of the best in Brisbane.

But this is where it stops, as their players' change rooms and showers would not be classified as the most hygienic

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Mr. Sporrán, I would suggest you put your own house in order before you try to tell other people how to run their's. I am not a supporter of the two clubs mentioned but I happened to be at Thistles home game against Annerley when I read this report in the GO SOCCER.

Prior to reading it I had just made a visit to the above-mentioned area behind the players' changing rooms and as cold as it was that night, I was glad to get back into the fresh air.

Mike Collins

MARCONI COME TO FORM

THIS week sees the formerly "invincible" Marconi come to Brisbane to renew acquaintances with their "old friends" Brisbane City. Who among us can forget that memorable Cup Final meeting between the two foes last year when City took out the Cup on penalty kicks, but not before even the kicking competition gave us more than its fair share of high drama and controversy?

How does GO SOCCER see this meeting? Three weeks ago wouldn't have fetched a penny stamp for City's chances despite their renowned fighting spirit, for Marconi were going along on their merry way, top of the League seemingly indestructible and fully deserving the title of Rasic's "Super Raiders" such was their skill, experience and of course their goal-scoring record spoke for itself. Now the story has changed some. Marconi have lost two of their last three games, Fitzroy and Footscray taking the points, and in the "in between" game Lions were extremely unlucky to drop two points to the "super team" scoring two of the goals for them and losing out on a penalty decision that was diabolical refereeing to say the least.

What has gone wrong? Nothing really drastic. The players are the same, the skill and confidence is still there, the beautiful football "build-up" is there to see but that indefinable something has gone. Rasic is shrewd of course, he knows the team has entered it's "bad" spell and also knows it is absolutely necessary to keep snatching one or two points from games if the great goal, the championship, has to be captured. He knows West Adelaide and Hakoah, to name two, are breathing down his neck waiting for fur-

ther slips and last Saturday saw him incur the wrath of the A.S.F. when he played Sharne and Degney against Footscray in an endeavour to keep the momentum up. That the move failed is history, but now come the A.S.F. action that means Sharne and Degney won't play this week, though at the time of writing I wouldn't bet Rasic won't play them claiming the A.S.F. don't have the right to ban players from playing for the club. After all the constitution only says the A.S.F. has first call on players, it is arguable that this means they cannot play in a fixture that is played on another day.

What of City? As we all know they have been going through a bad spell too, and when the half-time score came through from Adelaide, most of us feared the worst. However from all reports the second half may have been the turning point. Any team that can go to Adelaide, give them a three goal start and come within a whisker of saving a point can't be all bad. Funnily enough Go Soccer feels that City have the men to pressure. Marconi where they are most vulnerable. John Russell at sweeper is a beautiful footballer, but is rather deliberate in his work and Prskalo has the continental "Achilles heel" he is suspect to extreme pressure and with two front runners like Marley and Caldwell, City could have the men to breach the wall. It would not surprise to see the enigmatic Rasic come to Brisbane to play for a draw, with experienced players like Richards he could quite easily use an extra man at the back and play with Mariani and Jankovics up front hoping for the break.

A lot will depend on the political moves that will no doubt take place to release Sharne and Degney for the fray, but failing that, City should not be lulled, for with the return of Byrne from international duty and Stuart Selvedge available from the reserves, the team will not be weakened, however their style of play will change for Sharne and Degney supply a great deal of the pace that brings so much for Marconi.

A game will be played for the connoisseur there is no doubt about that, the Marconi tactics will be selected for the task at hand, but if City can return to their "up and at em game" of last season no one in their right senses would write them off. Personnel wise, City have just as good players now as they had last season, and last weekend's fighting form, with Iozzelli and Perry back to help, could see City bring Marconi back to the pack and throw the Philips League wide open to all

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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 Western Suburbs, June 18—

- 3 — Alan Niven
- 2 — Nigel Lownds
- 1 — Barrie Fairbrother

The progressive points after 16 home matches (eight each for City and Lions) are:

- 14 — STEVE PERRY (BC)
- 11 — JIM HERMISTON (BL)
- 9 — NIGEL LOWNDS (BL)
- 8 — ALAN MARLEY (BC)
- 6 — COL BENNETT (BL)
- ALAN NIVEN (BL)
- 5 — LARRY GAFFNEY (BC)
- GEOFF MORRIS (BL)
- 4 — FRANK PIMBLETT (BC)
- KEVIN CALDWELL (BC)
- 3 — WILLIE CONNER (BC)
- GEORGE POTTER (BL)
- SAURO IOZZELLI (BC)
- 2 — JOHN NEALE (BL)
- GRAHAM WILSON (BL)
- KIM WISHART (BC)
- JOHN COYNE (BC)
- PETER TOKESI (BC)
- BARRIE FAIRBROTHER (BL)
- 1 — PAUL LASLO (BL)
- EDDIE SPEARRITT (BL)
- IAIN FAGAN (BC)

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BRISBANE CITY

- 20 BOB BARLOW
- 2 IAN RATHMELL
- 3 JOHN LAVELLE
- 4 PETER TOKESI
- 5 STEVE PERRY
- 6 LARRY GAFFNEY
- 7 WILLIE CONNER
- 8 FRANK PIMBLETT
- 9 ALAN MARLEY
- 10 ROBERTO ECHEVERRIA
- 11 KEVIN CALDWELL
- 12 BRIAN KIBBEY
- 13 JOHN COYNE
- 16 BARRY KELSO
- 18 SAURO IOZELLI
- 19 IAN JOHNSTON

Coach: DENIS FORD

MARCONI

- 1 ALAN MAHER
- 3 PAUL DEGNEY
- 4 JOHN RUSSELL
- 5 IVO PRSKALO
- 6 RAY RICHARDS
- 7 GARY BYRNE
- 8 ROBERTO VIERI
- 9 JIMMY ROONEY
- 10 BERTIE MARIANI
- 11 PETER SHARNE
- 12 RITCHIE WILLIAMS
- 13 STUART SELVAGE
- 14 MARK JANKOVICS
- 15 PETER BROGAN
- 18 MIKE BERRY
- 20 FAVIO FABRIANISI

Coach: RALE RASIC

Previous Results

1977—
 Brisbane City 0 v Marconi 1
 Marconi 1 v Brisbane City 0
 Brisbane City 1 v Marconi 1 (Philips Cup Final)
 1978—
 Marconi 3 v Brisbane City 2

Next Weekends Matches

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