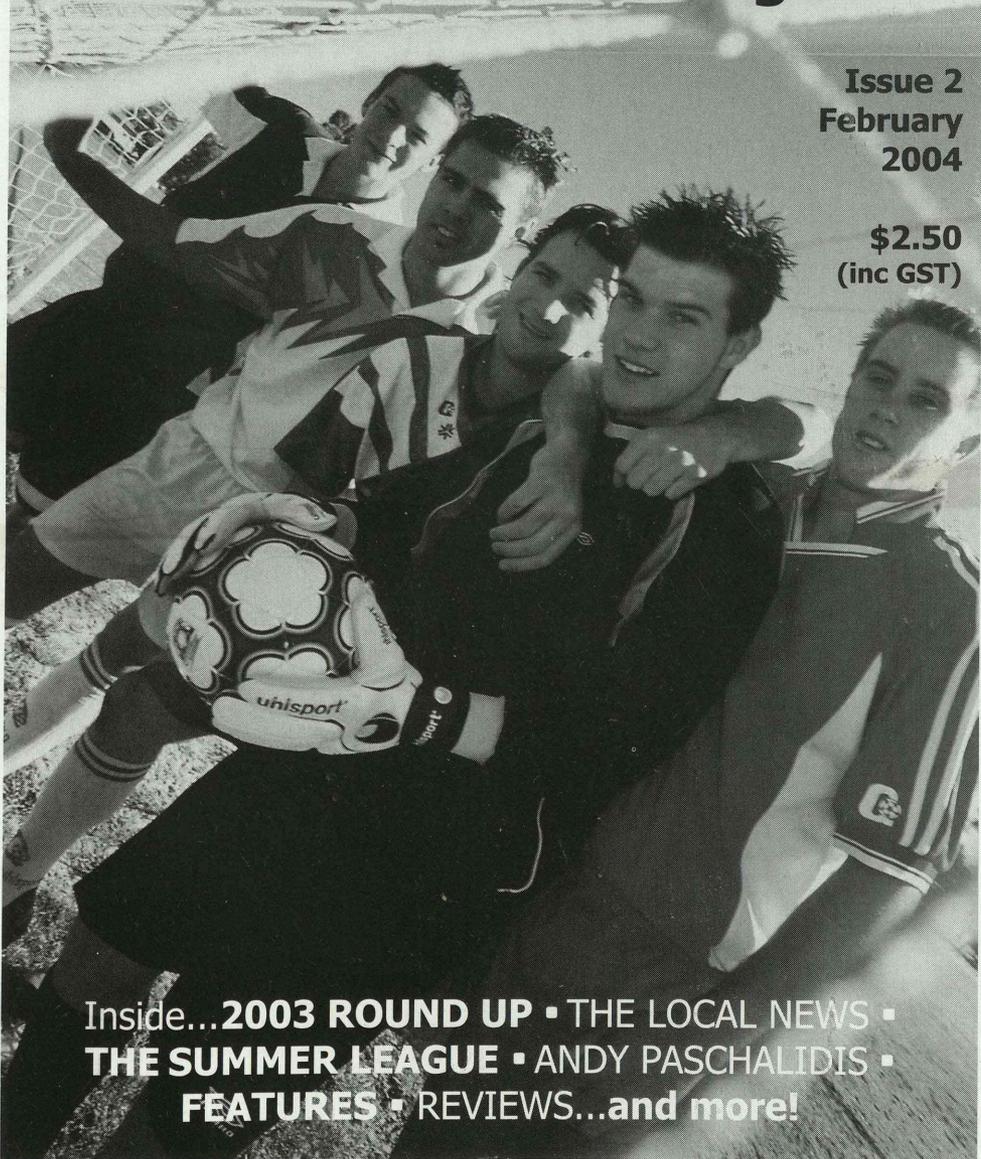


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# Comment

**W**elcome once again to ExtraTime. A new season is almost upon us and what better way to start it than with a new magazine?

This, as you may have gathered by the number on the cover, is issue number 2 and the follow-up to last year's pilot edition. With the cooperation of BMS and it's affiliated clubs, the production team has secured a 12 month trial period for ExtraTime. The success or failure of the magazine relies heavily of course on the quality of the content, but it also relies on you, the reader, to pass on your comments to us and recommend ExtraTime to your pals if you like it. This magazine represents an opportunity for all of the Brisbane soccer fraternity to publicise and promote our clubs and their activities, our association, our sponsors and of course, our great game. If you have any feature ideas or would like to see specific areas of the game covered, then please feel free to let us know - we welcome your input. In addition to that, if you know of any interesting anecdotes regarding our local game then pass them on to us. We want to feature as many clubs as possible but we need your help to do it. If you would like to have your club featured in this publication then get in touch with us.

One of our immediate goals is to raise the printed quality of the magazine. We want more colour and more photos etc, but this will add considerable costs and can only be achieved with an increase in sales income. The message again is simple - if you help to push ExtraTime you will end up with a better quality product. Of course no-one can do everything, but everyone can do something.

As with this issue, subsequent issues will be released on a monthly basis, the first week of each month being our target date. Copies will be collected by the clubs at the General Meeting (Council of Clubs) which is normally held on the first Tuesday of each month.

In time, we are very hopeful of expanding the coverage of the magazine to capture a broader area. Our plan is to present you, the reader, with as much info and entertainment as we can, and also to give all aspects of local soccer a fair go. Watch this space for exciting developments in the near future.

I hope you enjoy the magazine and I would like to take the opportunity to once again publicly thank all those who have contributed to make it happen.

# 2003 in a nutshell

## PREMIER LEAGUE

|                     |                  |
|---------------------|------------------|
| Premiers            | Queensland Lions |
| Runners Up          | Brisbane City    |
| Grand Final Winners | Queensland Lions |
| Runners Up          | Pine Rivers Utd  |
| Relegated           | The Gap          |
|                     | Ipswich Knights  |

## PREMIER RESERVES

|                     |                  |
|---------------------|------------------|
| Premiers            | Queensland Lions |
| Runners Up          | Taringa Rovers   |
| Grand Final Winners | Queensland Lions |
| Runners Up          | Taringa Rovers   |

## PREMIER YOUTH

|                     |                  |
|---------------------|------------------|
| Premiers            | Queensland Lions |
| Runners Up          | North Star       |
| Grand Final Winners | Queensland Lions |
| Runners Up          | Pine Rivers Utd  |

## DIV 1

|                     |                                |
|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| Premiers            | Eastern Suburbs                |
| Runners Up          | Mitchelton                     |
| Grand Final Winners | University of Queensland       |
| Runners Up          | Brisbane Olympic               |
| Relegated           | Newmarket                      |
|                     | Inala City                     |
| Promoted to PL      | Eastern Suburbs,<br>Mitchelton |

## DIV 1 RESERVES

|                     |                          |
|---------------------|--------------------------|
| Premiers            | University of Queensland |
| Runners Up          | Mitchelton               |
| Grand Final Winners | Mitchelton               |
| Runners Up          | Redlands Utd             |

## DIV 1 YOUTH

|                     |                 |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Premiers            | Albany Creek    |
| Runners Up          | Peninsula Power |
| Grand Final Winners | Mount Gravatt   |
| Runners Up          | Capalaba        |

## DIV 2

|                     |                  |
|---------------------|------------------|
| Premiers            | Southside Eagles |
| Runners Up          | Bethania Rams    |
| Grand Final Winners | Slacks Creek     |
| Runners Up          | Southside Eagles |
| Relegated to Metro  | Acacia Ridge     |
| Promoted to Div 1   | Southside Eagles |

## DIV 2 RESERVES

|                     |                  |
|---------------------|------------------|
| Premiers            | Southside Eagles |
| Runners Up          | Slacks Creek     |
| Grand Final Winners | Ipswich City     |
| Runners Up          | North Pine       |

## METRO DIV 1

|                     |                          |
|---------------------|--------------------------|
| Premiers            | University of Queensland |
| Runners Up          | Pineapple Rovers         |
| Grand Final Winners | Souths Utd               |
| Runners Up          | Pineapple Rovers         |

## METRO DIV 2

|                     |              |
|---------------------|--------------|
| Premiers            | Wynnum       |
| Runners Up          | Slacks Creek |
| Grand Final Winners | Wynnum       |
| Runners Up          | Woodridge    |

## METRO DIV 3

|                     |                 |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Premiers            | Peninsula Power |
| Runners Up          | North Star      |
| Grand Final Winners | The Gap         |
| Runners Up          | Pine Hills      |

## METRO DIV 4

|                     |                          |
|---------------------|--------------------------|
| Premiers            | Clairvaux                |
| Runners Up          | University of Queensland |
| Grand Final Winners | Clairvaux                |
| Runners Up          | University of Queensland |

## METRO DIV 5

|                     |              |
|---------------------|--------------|
| Premiers            | Newmarket    |
| Runners Up          | Slacks Creek |
| Grand Final Winners | Newmarket    |
| Runners Up          | Slacks Creek |

## METRO DIV 6

|                     |                  |
|---------------------|------------------|
| Premiers            | Capalaba         |
| Runners Up          | Brisbane Olympic |
| Grand Final Winners | Brisbane Olympic |
| Runners Up          | Newmarket        |

## S.E. QUEENSLAND CUP

|            |                  |
|------------|------------------|
| Winners    | Queensland Lions |
| Runners Up | Palm Beach       |

|                            |                 |
|----------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Gold Medal Winner</b>   | Peter Grierson  |
| <b>Referee of the Year</b> | John Peacock    |
| <b>Miss Soccer</b>         | Miss Inala City |

# 2003 round-up

Queensland Lions must again take all the accolades. They might as well - they took all the silverware. 7 senior trophies on offer, 7 won. They romped the 2003 Premier League title by a massive 17 points followed by decisive Premiership wins in both the Reserve and Youth grades.

Lions had already bagged the SEQ Cup with a hard-fought extra time victory against an unlucky Palm Beach side before heading to Perry Park to claim all three senior Grand Finals. New Brisbane Strikers recruit, Warren Moon, scored the decisive goal early in the second half to register his second successive Grand Final strike. After the match, coach Miron Bleiberg was pragmatic about the win. "I thought we deserved it but well done to Pine Rivers. They put us in some awkward situations, particularly in the first half, but we handled it and I think in the second half it was one-way traffic. Full credit to Rivers, they have achieved a lot this season. I don't like 1-0 because it can give you grey hair towards the end but otherwise everything went according to plan."



Miron Bleiberg

Other than Lions, perhaps the best performing club in the Premier League was Pine Rivers Utd. Enjoying their first season back in the top division they made 2 Grand Finals and finished respectably in all 3 grades. Clayton Koch's blend of youth and experience in the top side made them very difficult to beat. At the other end of the table, The Gap will have to regroup in Division 1 after a very disappointing season and Ipswich will surely look to bounce straight back after the shock of relegation.

There was no shortage of action and drama in the entertaining Division 1 title race. Easts pipped Mitchelton to the post for the Premiership and automatic promotion, but the northside club pulled out a superb performance in the promotion/relegation play-off against

Ipswich Knights when they virtually won the tie in the first leg. Premier League football for Mitchy this year in what will be an exciting season for the club.

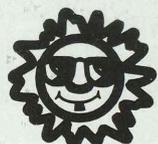
Despite a spirited run towards the end of the season, Steve Faulkner's Newmarket side dropped out of the division and were joined by Inala City. On a brighter note for the Bulldogs, Miss Inala, Jocelyn Fischer, took out the Miss Soccer crown at the Gala Awards Dinner. In the play-offs Albany Creek sneaked past Bethania Rams on away goals to retain their Division 1 status after a topsy-turvy season.

Division 2 belonged to Southside Eagles. The Bulimba-based club nailed the Senior and Reserve Premierships but narrowly lost out in the Grand Final when they succumbed to the golden goal to a determined Slacks Creek outfit. An abysmal year for Acacia Ridge at the bottom. Zero points and conceding a monstrous 122 goals whilst scoring only 10. Tough times at the Ridge.

In the Metro divisions there were many notable performances. University showed their depth of playing resources by edging out Pineapple Rovers in Metro 1. Wynnum Wolves shrugged off a disappointing Premier League season and claimed the Metro 2 title despite pressure from an improving Slacks Creek. Premierships also for Peninsula Power in Metro 3, Clairvaux in Metro 4, Newmarket in Metro 5 and Capalaba in Metro 6.



Lions Captain Darren Sime receives the SEQ Cup



# Summer League

This is the second year of operation for the Under 21 Summer League and the merits of the concept seem to have grown on all involved.

Brisbane Men's Soccer runs the competition on behalf of Soccer Queensland and with even more interest shown this year it is looking likely that the league will become a permanent fixture in the soccer calendar.

BMS General Manager, Bruce Dinsdale outlined the objectives of the League. "The focus of the competition is on the development of young players as we feel that it is important to encourage these local soccer

Lismore based North Coast Suns, coached by former Strikers hitman Paul Foster, have been delighted by the league. "It's brilliant. It gives our young players the opportunity to play against teams who have good players and are well coached. By taking a step up in standard it helps them bridge the gap between playing in their local comp and maybe playing in Brisbane."

the League. "It's a good stepping stone for players on the Sunshine Coast. They can get noticed by Brisbane clubs and several of our boys have been invited down to Brisbane to play. The standard of the football has been superb and I've seen some tremendous talent. If we can inject the Brisbane winter comp with good players from outlying areas then that has to help raise the standard and bolster the Brisbane league."

De Courcy sees the league as a useful distraction from more traditional summer activities. "It keeps the younger players interested during summer. Instead of going surfing or doing something else they're concentrating on their soccer which is what they have to do if they want to achieve anything in the game," he said.

| Group 1           | Pld | W | D | L | F  | A  | Pts |
|-------------------|-----|---|---|---|----|----|-----|
| ROCHEDALE ROVERS  | 8   | 6 | 1 | 1 | 29 | 6  | 19  |
| PLAM BEACH SHARKS | 8   | 5 | 2 | 1 | 17 | 6  | 17  |
| NORTH COAST SUNS  | 8   | 5 | 0 | 3 | 13 | 11 | 15  |
| QUEENSLAND LIONS  | 8   | 4 | 1 | 3 | 17 | 10 | 13  |
| REDLANDS UNITED   | 8   | 1 | 1 | 6 | 11 | 27 | 4   |
| SOUTH WEST QLD    | 8   | 0 | 1 | 7 | 5  | 32 | 1   |

| Group 2               | Pld | W | D | L | F  | A  | Pts |
|-----------------------|-----|---|---|---|----|----|-----|
| SUNSHINE COAST        | 8   | 5 | 2 | 1 | 15 | 7  | 17  |
| PENINSULA P. DOLPHINS | 8   | 5 | 1 | 2 | 21 | 9  | 16  |
| WYNNUM WOLVES         | 8   | 4 | 1 | 3 | 19 | 17 | 13  |
| PINE RIVERS UNITED    | 8   | 3 | 2 | 3 | 11 | 20 | 11  |
| NORTH STAR            | 8   | 2 | 1 | 5 | 13 | 20 | 7   |
| EASTS TIGERS          | 8   | 1 | 1 | 6 | 13 | 19 | 4   |

Tables as of 17th Jan. Please note that the games scheduled for that weekend were washed out.

players who aspire to play at higher levels by providing such competitions. We believe that competitions such as this lead to an environment which encourages and attracts people to the game of soccer."

At the time of writing there were 2 rounds to go with Rochedale Rovers the stand out performers in Group 1. In Group 2 Sunshine Coast and Peninsula Power Dolphins have been going blow for blow and at this stage there is not a lot to choose between the teams.

Sunshine Coast Coach Shaun De Courcy was upbeat about the League. "It's a good stepping stone for players on the Sunshine Coast. They can get noticed by Brisbane clubs and several of our boys have been invited down to Brisbane to play. The standard of the football has been superb and I've seen some tremendous talent. If we can inject the Brisbane winter comp with good players from outlying areas then that has to help raise the standard and bolster the Brisbane league."

John Daye, Coach of Peninsula Power Dolphins, was another with only good things to say. "It's a good chance for us to look at our young players and try them in different positions. It all adds to their development for this coming winter season. The use of interchange has been a fantastic concept to combat the heat which has helped to keep the standard very high. BMS have done a good job with it and the refereeing has been very good."



Brisbane Men's Soccer

## Phil Moye

The BMS supremo talks it up

Every year seems to bring an increase in the cost of just about everything. Unfortunately soccer is not immune to the external pressures that drive up the cost of everything we do.

Much has been said and written about the escalating cost of player insurance, coupled with a reduction in the benefits and scope of cover. Insurance is only one component of the problem.

Let's look at what we can do to hold down the cost of playing soccer. For most players this is the cost of player registration. When signing on for the year there comes the awful shock of the annual rego fee. Clubs have a variety of ways of handling this. Most of the cost of player registration is simply passed onto the player with a "club component" tacked on for the provision of club amenities and development.

'Fair enough' most people would say. Some clubs charge "match fees" to recover part of the cost of the actual game, referee fees, wear and tear of playing strip, light and field maintenance etc. Whichever collection method is used, it is basically a "user pays" system and most work pretty well for all concerned. Because of the various ways it is done, players have the choice of trying another club if they are not happy with their current situation.

'Fair enough' most people would say. But what can we do to stop the ever-rising costs? The answer to this is, I believe, the key to continued growth of the sport. The cost BMS charges the clubs - \$150.00 for 2004, is not excessive many would argue, but add the actual cost of playing soccer, the "club component" and the cost rises dramatically. Most clubs charge around the \$250.00 mark.

These costs will have to be tackled on two fronts. Brisbane Mens Soccer (BMS) will continue to pressure the soccer organisation to contain costs passed on to us. Australian Soccer Association (ASA) and Soccer Queensland (SQ) simply have to work harder

at controlling the expense of soccer. I believe that the ASA must do more to leverage its position to reduce or eliminate the levy they charge every player. Soccer Queensland must continue to make efficiencies and reduce wasteful schemes that have to be funded by the 'average' player.

Lastly the clubs have to work harder to provide amenities for their members in keeping with their ability to raise funds. 'Pie in the sky' programs have to be funded before they are committed to. Members simply cannot be expected to continue to pay for non-essential programs and developments.

The bottom line is that all sectors must work harder at containing costs. It is not possible to grow profit to fund ever-increasing expenses. If we want to fund growth then it must come from increased profitability. The best way to achieve profit is to contain costs. Every dollar cut from expenses falls to the bottom line as profit. The only way to achieve this is to be effectively controlled and managed. The majority of clubs do a great job of providing soccer to players of all ages. The challenge is to do a better job of managing the finances available to the club.

Many clubs simply do not have the financial responsibility to spend less than they receive. That's not an inflammatory statement; it is a statement of fact. It affects the clubs ability to contain costs because of the pressure to pay the bills. The idea is to reduce or eliminate the bills (expenses) in the first place.

BMS is committed to reduce and contain the cost of organizing the soccer competitions. The clubs must do their part by containing expenses and being realistic in their expectations for growth and improved amenities.

BMS is keen to hear your thoughts on these and any other matter for the betterment of soccer.

If you wish to discuss the above issues please feel free to contact me through the BMS office.

Phil Moye,  
President, Brisbane Mens Soccer Inc.

# MAIL



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22/9/03 Re: The Full Monty Issue 1

Dear ExtraTime,  
I enjoyed reading Issue 1 of your magazine on Grand Final day at Perry Park but question the fairness of Monty's assessment of Premier League Facilities as it is related to Wynnum Wolves.

If the 20 points were deducted because two dressing rooms were you beaut terrific but the other two were not, that is one thing. But by my reading, it seems likely they were deducted because the Wolves have not come the heavies over the Women's Associations to gain access to all four of the new dressing rooms. Monty is obviously unaware that not one red cent of Wynnum money went into this building which was established as the Headquarters for State and Brisbane Women's Associations. These organisations provided more than \$200,000 to what is a monument to their progressive planning and it is through their generosity that the Wolves have been provided with the use of two dressing rooms, a referees room and a first aid room of such a high standard.

There is no polite way of saying that some club dressing rooms have showers smelling like urinals, no individual shower stalls, torn or non-existent shower curtains. So Monty should come out of his time warp, give a vote of thanks to the women and allow them the luxury of preserving dressing rooms 1 & 2 for their members rather than suggesting that the Wolves "fix the dressing room debacle".

Yours,  
Elaine Watson O.A.M.  
Life Member of both WSQ and SQ

Thanks for your letter Elaine. Apologies for

**taking so long to produce another issue so that we could reply! Monty is clearly in need of a good thrashing and he has been threatened with unspeakable acts should he faux pas like this again, particularly on issues concerning the Women's Association. Having said that, we thought it only fair that he reply - Ed**

*Dear Elaine,  
I feel that soccer is a simple game quite often confused by Coaches and Administration personnel. In arriving at Wynnum Soccer Club for the first time since the 'new dressing rooms' have been constructed I am greeted by mayhem as we are unable to have a clean facility - what I am greeted with is a room already used by two teams with it's share of 'spoils'. Methinks quite simply 'any chance of using the second dressing room please for the Premier League side?' - answer 'Sorry but NO it is for the Women's Association'. Me quite simply looks to the fields afar, 'Oh, the women are playing here today?' Answer 'NO'. So Elaine what ever it takes between Wynnum Soccer Club (Men) and the Women's Association to use the facility when not being used by the WA should be done i.e. would it be so hard for Wynnum Soccer Club to pay a nominal fee of say \$30 to have the rooms cleaned? I am sure some local retiree would be happy to do so every fortnight and I am sure that the good people of Wynnum Soccer Club would likewise be happy to pay a nominal fee. You see Elaine as a simple observation the situation at Wynnum was a 'dressing room debacle' and nothing you can say will justify it being any other than such - get together guys for the interest of the game!!!*

'Monty'



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# Opinion

**Kieran Cooper on loyalty, standards, finances and the need for dialogue**

**H**aving spent the best part of 14 years working full time in football, I suppose it is only natural that from time to time people will ask my opinion. I have spent many years trying to assist where I could, and I have spent numerous hours at meetings and discussions putting my two cents worth in. Has it been worth it? Has any good come from it? Are we on the right track?

There is no doubt in my mind that when I first set foot in Brisbane in 1986 that local football was at a much higher level. Two National League teams in Brisbane with City and Lions, the Premier League, the Intermediate League were all pretty strong. So what happened? City and Lions were relegated (or shafted) whichever way you look at it. Players either drifted down south or back into the local comp.

They were also the days when most clubs had at least one imported player. This I feel has had a huge negative bearing on the standard. The visa rule changed and it was too difficult for clubs to import players. But back to the league. Just look at your squad of today and then look at your squad from

behind it but I still feel it lost us a little. Nowadays everybody is in a hurry. There is very little club loyalty anymore. Players jump from club to club. At junior level they go where the rep coaches go. Why? Because they are too afraid to be left behind. I understand the ambitions of young players and I would never try to stop a player going on to bigger and better things but not all will make the grade. In fact very few will. Sometimes I have a problem with this situation. It is also an ongoing burden for clubs with regards to players moving on. I have witnessed over the years many occasions where a player has come through my club, been snapped up by (lets say the next stepping stone) moved on to the NSL or further and end of story. No compensation, no nothing. Not even recognition of his original club. This does nothing for public relations, we are in a catch 22 situation. We don't want to stop the player, but then again we should be compensated for our efforts. This subject will surely stir the pot but if you are all honest about it I think you will agree. Somewhere along the line the clubs of origin should be compensated.

So what has all this got to do with the local

**"Just look at your squad of today and then look at your squad from 10 or 15 years ago and ask yourself how many of today's squad would make it back then?"**

ten or fifteen years ago and ask yourself how many of today's squad would make it back then? Go on, be honest. So what has happened? The import rule has happened. The QAS rule has happened. The exodus overseas has happened, and the Strikers have happened. I also strongly believe that when they changed the ethnic names they lost a bit of passion. I know the reasons

game? Ok, a player comes through the ranks, he is being pushed and maybe pressured to play as high as he can. So you put him in at the expense of another player. The other player leaves your club to play for another. The player you have put in eventually leaves as well because he has ambition. So you have lost two players. So now you must replace the two players.

Where do the replacement players come from? If they come from within your club then you are weakening the team you take them from. If they come from outside the club then that club is weakened. It's a merry-go-round.

So what is the answer to this? In my opinion we are now getting to the stage where it is impossible for clubs to nominate three *quality* teams. First, Reserves and Youth. Note the word *quality*. Players are being asked to play in these divisions sometimes just to make up the numbers. Some of these players would be better off staying down a year, or going to a lower division. But the clubs cannot afford to let them go. My answer now would be to make it compulsory for the top clubs to have two teams. The smart clubs would have their better young players in reserves or first grade anyway. The remainder of the players would spread themselves around the other clubs. I would also have an open Youth League for clubs who wish to enter. I also have a problem with the way the age groups work. Junior colts covers 15-17 while Youth covers 17-19. Let's be honest. Are there really enough quality players around to make all these leagues top class? Something has to give.

Then we have the ego surrounding all clubs. Nobody really wants to help anybody else. We sit at meetings and pretend but when it comes to the crunch we all have our own agendas. Look at the money situation. Queensland Lions are miles ahead in this

**"In my opinion we are now getting to the stage where it is impossible for clubs to nominate three quality teams"**

respect and good luck to them. Who wouldn't like the resources they have. They are constantly bagged but how many of us have actually sat down with them and asked them how they do it? Whatever your thoughts on Lions, you must respect them in the business world.

Then there are players. So we pay players - great. But at what cost? If we are ever going to get football up to the mark we need money. So maybe we need to look at how we can save money. Don't get me wrong. I earned money when I played, I didn't give it a second thought until I started working

behind the scenes. Every ball, every cone, every net, in fact everything. It all comes from somewhere and most of the time has to be paid for. Can we really accommodate big wages or are we kidding ourselves?

I sat at a meeting of Premier League clubs a couple of years ago and (Lions excluded) it was decided that if we all set ourselves a salary cap that was pretty much in line then we could use the resources saved to lift our facilities. It might have taken a few years but it was worth a shot. Everybody agreed, but when you work in this game as I do, word gets around on how much some players are getting paid. I will repeat, good luck to any player who gets whatever he gets but at some stage it is the club that will suffer. Let's face it, at present there is no money in Brisbane soccer. What really annoys me is when you go to some clubs and see what facilities they have and then you hear what these same clubs are paying players. It doesn't make sense.

So what about now? I honestly believe that BMS are trying to do the right thing. They are talking to the clubs and getting opinions. I would like to see the clubs doing the same thing, talking to each other and following through. I believe the under 21 concept is terrific. I would love us to give the Premier League a go during summer to see if it worked. I would like to see whatever National League teams we have in Brisbane work a lot closer to the clubs and let's see if we can gain mutual respect for each other.

I am sure some of my comments will not go down too well. It is difficult to put your thoughts down in a small article and make people totally understand. That is why I have said we need to sit down and have dialogue. I'm sure there are many other people out there with better suggestions than me, but I am also sure that putting our combined suggestions together can only benefit the game.

All in all we have a great game. We have talked for years about how soccer is the sleeping giant in Australia. Well guess what? It's still asleep.



Referee Dave Ogston reaches for the top pocket

straight RED



Oi

**Ref, you're missing a good game out there!"**

Harsh but sometimes fair in the heat of the battle, but from who's point of view?

From the perspective of the spectator, coach/manager, player or official who may see the incident, it can change from a meager hum happening to an earth shattering event, adding 10 points to an individual's blood pressure and sending him or her (especially with some of our north Brisbane fans) into volleys of verbal abuse culminating in injury threats to the referee or death threats to his or her pet ferret.

The simple event of a ball coming into contact with a hand during play is one that would probably get the quickest and most dividing views in our sporting fraternity. Initially the crowd will see it the way of which ever team they are supporting, the offenders team will mutter, heads bowed and agree to play on whilst the opposition will be whipped into action pleading and screaming for the direct free kick.

The coach of the offending team once again will probably go along the lines of the crowd but may have a little more to add to attempt to persuade the referee that it was a mere, 'bah humbug' event, whilst the other coach will approach it with a little more energy, veins popping out of either side of his head, beads of sweat lashing his brow whilst the manager by his side is upping the ante for your blood to be fed to any wild boar that might want to take an interest in your hide.

The attacking players view was that it was a high left hand corner blinder only rivaled by such greats as Cantona, Beckham and Shearer and he intentionally grabbed it whilst the defending player would have been thinking, 'Oh sh@t! I didn't mean it ref, honest I didn't.'

Meanwhile, the referee just saw an innocuous glance from a shot that has been driven towards goal at a great rate of knots and the poor sod in front of it was just trying to guard the family jewels so that he may partake in the after match frivolities and a night on the town with his mates later.

So, why so many different views over the one incident? Putting the obvious one sided view and the will to win aside, the answer comes back to consistency and putting consistency into the interpretation of the referee's bible "Laws of the Game". Just as a spectator goes to enjoy a game of entertaining football, a referee will turn up to a game and endeavour to do one thing to add to the game, and that is *to be consistent*. Three little words that mean so much to make a game flow and add to the experience of the 90 minutes. Someone once said to me, "It doesn't matter if you are consistently good or consistently bad, as long as you are consistent!" In its entirety the comment isn't totally true but it does go along way to adding to the game. Consistency will be a primary indicator to a good referee and with that it will also help the players play at a better level because they know the benchmark at

which most occurrences will be accepted or what the consequences of their actions will be.

With the consistency factor by our side, we then have to tackle the "Laws of the Game" and this is when it all goes pear shaped. The reason not all referees are totally consistent is because what brought us here is different experiences. These experiences will then be read into different situations and we will then apply the laws, so what I see as black another referee may see as dark grey and the coach may see as light grey. Now remember, not all coaches know the laws, some do, some think they do and some will just make it up because they

might get the advantage if it happens that way.

I know it's hard and I know every spectator is an armchair 50 year veteran referee but my concept for the coming season is watch for the word (not the swearing rule, **consistency**). If you think the muppet in the middle is wrong but consistently wrong then maybe you should do a couple of things; agree and say well at least he or she was consistent and then look at a law book - you might just get a surprise at who the muppet is, or two; strap on the black and whites, it might teach you all a thing or two and believe me the words of wisdom from the sidelines never fail to amuse when said at the right time.

# Andy PASCHALIDIS

One of Australia's most respected soccer journalists pens a few lines for ExtraTime

**I** was recently asked what it means to be Australian. It's a rather straight forward question but one which is enveloped by the world game. Put simply, my ideal definition is standing side by side with a group of total strangers of all ethnic backgrounds singing the Australian National Anthem at a World Cup qualifying match at the Melbourne Cricket Ground.

With such a mixture of different people from different parts of the world, it's refreshing when our National team plays on home soil and all of us join as one to spur them on. Sadly, the last two World Cup qualifying tournaments have resulted in disaster and yet again we must trek via South America for the right to play in the 2006 World Cup in Germany.

It felt like yesterday when our gallant 1974 National team became the first side to advance to football's holy grail. Would you believe ex-Socceroo Ernie Campbell, the baby of that team, still plays the game every Sunday morning through the winter months? I should know, I've copped three goals from him in two seasons of Over 35's football!! (I am still playing goalie at the age of 41) For so long the media and the desperate football public have waited for a new generation of Australian players to take us to football's ultimate contest. Deep down many of us sense the Socceroos would not disgrace themselves amongst the world's best. 2004 is perhaps the most important year for our game at both domestic and international level. Australian Soccer Association boss Frank Lowy has set the platform. It's time for big business to stand up and get involved in the world's biggest game. I just wonder whether Mr Lowy has set the bar too high?

My father, in his own unique style of English, summed it up perfectly: "I thought the National League taskforce was going to make it hard but it's incredible because it isn't a high jump but it's a bloody pole vault!" I'm sure you get my Dad's point. Australian soccer clubs, on the whole, have survived on the back of kind and generation support from

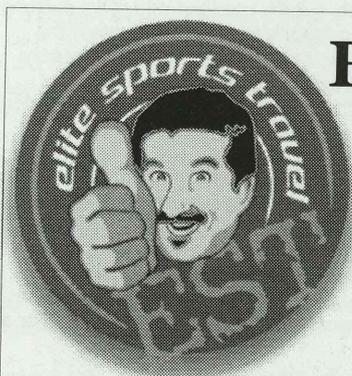
people like my father. Immigrants who came to this country after the Second World War and found the perfect vehicle to assimilate with people of their own kind on every Sunday in winter football. This is what infuriates me the most. Too many administrators feel that the "ethnic" image of the local game has held the sport back. That's purely a smokescreen, an excuse for many so-called committed people in the local game to hide behind.

Sport is all about heroes. Sadly our heroes are playing in places like England, Spain and Italy. I don't need to remind you about the likes of Kewell, Bresciano and Viduka.



Andy with Socceroo star Mark Viduka

Can you imagine how poor the local NRL, Super 12 rugby and AFL competitions would be if their best 120 players were full-time professionals in Europe? This headache will never disappear because Australia is one of the best exporters of football talent to Europe. The new-look National League is expected to start later this year or perhaps in February 2005. Don't be shocked or surprised if it's an eight - to -10 team competition. If Frank Lowy, one of the founding organisers of the NSL in the late 70's can't get it right, God help us!! However I have faith in Frank Lowy and his team and I sense the sleeping giant of Australian sport is about to awaken!!



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# Miss Soccer & Gold Medal Dinner 2003

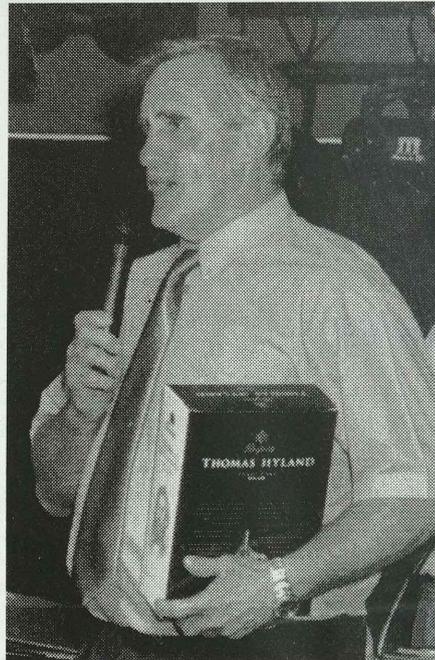
**T**he 2003 Gold Medal and Miss Soccer gala dinner gave the local soccer community the chance to come together and celebrate the end of another season.

Held in the salubrious surroundings of the superb new function room at Queensland Lions, the evening was a celebration of all that is good about our local scene.

Eastern Suburbs coach and former Australian international, Col Bennett, was recognised by Brisbane Men's Soccer for his induction into the Soccer Australia Hall of Fame. The former Socceroo who played 55 games in a row for his country was understandably chuffed with the accolade. "I'm really excited about being acknowledged for what I did. You don't play to win awards like these, you play for the love of the game, but if awards come your way then it's a nice surprise and very much appreciated."

The 2003 Gold Medal was deservedly taken out by Palm Beach's Peter Grierson, who despite playing only a portion of the season with the Gold Coast club, still managed to out-poll his rivals by attaining 25 points. The Strikers captain finished just 1 point ahead of North Star's Michael Brockwell and 4 points clear of Queensland Lions' Warren Moon. Grierson, who also took a half share in the Golden Boot award for the leading goal scorer with Queensland Lions hotshot Greg Di Losa, was unable to attend due to Strikers commitments, but spoke later about his win. "I'm surprised and delighted. There's a lot of good players in the league so it's an honour to win this award, I'm very happy."

The Miss Soccer Quest is an initiative that allows the clubs to generate some much needed funds and also gives the entrant from each club the opportunity to win some fantastic prizes. The winner receives \$5000 worth of overseas travel, the runner up gets a fun weekend for 2 on Gold Coast, and the winner of the Miss Fundraiser prize secures \$2500 worth of overseas travel. All prizes are generously donated by Guido Canale of



Eastern Suburbs Coach, Col Bennett

Canale Travel Service and BMS would like to thank him for his continued support of the quest.

With that in mind, it was disappointing to see so few entrants this year. However, the belles that did enter looked splendid in their gowns and 2002 winner, Newmarket's Sarah White, was there to hand over her crown and spoke of what it was like to be Miss Soccer. "It was a very



Jocelyn Fischer & Sarah White

rewarding experience for me. I was fortunate enough to meet a lot of administrators who devote their time and efforts to the game. This definitely helped me experience soccer from another level. My club, Newmarket were extremely supportive and proud of my contributions as Miss Soccer." In addition to the prestige of winning Miss Soccer, Sarah enjoyed an exciting holiday

courtesy of the \$5000 travel prize.

"My boyfriend and I traveled for three and a half weeks throughout the United States with my prize. We visited Los Angeles, San Francisco, Orlando, Las Vegas and Hawaii. We had the time of our lives, and would like to take this opportunity to



Les Girls!

thank Canale Travel for their generosity."

The 2003 Miss Soccer crown went to Miss Inala City, the bubbly Jocelyn Fischer, who was surprised and delighted with her win. "It was great. I had an awesome night. Winning the 2003 Miss Soccer was the highlight of a very enjoyable year. I got to meet new people and do things that I wouldn't ordinarily get the chance to do."

The quest is a great opportunity for clubs to get creative with their fundraising and also to extend their profile in the local community. "We had raffles at all our homes games, a sausage sizzle once a month at Oxley Harvey Norman, a couple of trivia and karaoke nights and of course a Ladies night," Jocelyn said. Sarah White highlighted the positive effects for her club as a result of her success in the quest. "It was seen as a big encouragement for the other girls within the Club. It also helped make the Associations and other Clubs within Qld more aware of Newmarket, as with my representation, the Club name was mentioned to numerous people throughout the season."

Both the 2002 and 2003 winners were keen to encourage other girls to enter the Quest in 2004.

Sarah: "The Miss Soccer Quest is not a beauty competition. The bottom line is that it's about soccer! It's about showing Queensland something that we all as players, administrators, referees and supporters already know - soccer is the best sport! It's about getting involved and promoting the code. It's a fantastic journey just entering the quest. Meeting so many new faces from within Soccer Qld & BMS, and those representing their Clubs throughout Queensland. I would highly recommend it."

Jocelyn: "Go for it girls! You will have the best time. It's a lot of fun and you get the chance to do so many things that you might not be able to do otherwise."

**So, if you have a lady at your club that does fundraising then why not enter her into the competition and give her the chance of winning these fantastic prizes. Doesn't she deserve it?**

# DO NOT ADJUST YOUR DIAL



The Saturday morning soccer show on FM 101 is music to the ears of soccer starved listeners in Brisbane. Over the years other soccer radio shows have fallen away - this one is here to stay. Brenton Wilson, who hosts the show along with Garry Johnson, tells us why.

## So when was the idea for the show conceived?

I guess it all started about 12 months ago, when I contacted Andrew Bettel of Soccer Queensland with the concept for my new show "Coaches Corner". I wanted to have a sports show that was coach orientated, rather than one that was media or player oriented, as this is done to death and I wanted to have a fresh approach. And being an athletics coach as well as having a degree in Sports Coaching, I felt I could create a lot more interest with the listeners with this different approach.

Unfortunately, or fortunately in this case, Andrew was unable to commit to this but recommended Garry Johnson the Premier Youth team coach of Queensland Lions who was also coaching in the Summer League at that time. Garry and I quickly built up a great rapport, and it wasn't too long before Garry became a regular guest and was commenting on other sports as well.

You can always find Garry and myself talking about sport but mostly soccer, from anywhere up to an hour to an hour and a half after the show, and I guess this is where the idea for the "Soccer Show" was first created. We identified the need for a show of this nature and that the local soccer community had been starved of this type of media outlet. We wanted to create a focal point for the soccer

community, and although both Garry and I put the show together, we see it as the soccer community's show, and it will grow and evolve through their feedback and support.

## Why the local game as opposed to a more national or overseas focus?

We identified the need for the show to be based on the local product rather than what is happening overseas, as there are enough avenues to get this type of information. And so far, the feedback has been positive, but by no means are we satisfied. We both know we have a lot of work to do, and we want to make this the premier soccer show in south-east Queensland.

There have been soccer shows before us and for varying reasons they have fallen away, we have no intention of falling away. We have a great sponsor in Chandlers at Woodridge and Browns Plains and they have been very supportive of the concept, to the point, where they have picked the show up for the next 12 months. So it is dependant on us to put a great show together each week, but more importantly the local soccer community identifying an opportunity to promote and market their sport and clubs, and vice-versa to help support the show.

This show will live and die on the support of the local soccer community. If it's done right, the show is a great focal point for getting the average person out to watch a game of soccer and hopefully players, clubs and supporters alike will take this opportunity to promote and market the sport in a positive way. This is not Garry's or my show, it's your show, we want the feedback and the support, so that the show is something the soccer community is proud of and to call their own, because as far as we are concerned that is what it is.



## Who has helped along the way?

Stuart McLaren has become a part-time regular on the show and we thank him for his support, it has given the show credence. Strikers player Matt McKay, National Technical Director Jim Selby, BMS General Manager Bruce Dinsdale and Queensland Soccer CEO David Kay, have all been guests and their support has been fantastic. We would also like to thank Brisbane Men's Soccer, Brisbane Strikers Supporters Club, Queensland Lions, Steve Keen and Queensland Futsal for their support and feedback.

## Any other business?

In the future we are hoping that the show can turn into an hour, but this will only happen with the support from the local soccer community, sponsors and the general public.

We've also run a couple of competitions with DVD's and Soccer Coach software being given away, and plan to run more, so if you want some free stuff, please tune in. Finally, we'd like to thank our sponsor Chandlers at Woodridge and Browns Plains again, because if it wasn't for them there would be no show. Also, 101 FM and Allan Casonati who has also been very supportive when the

concept was first put to him. Thanks mate!

You can catch 'The Soccer Show' with Brenton Wilson & Garry Johnson every Saturday morning at 9.00am on 101 FM. The show is kindly sponsored by Chandlers Woodridge and Browns Plains.

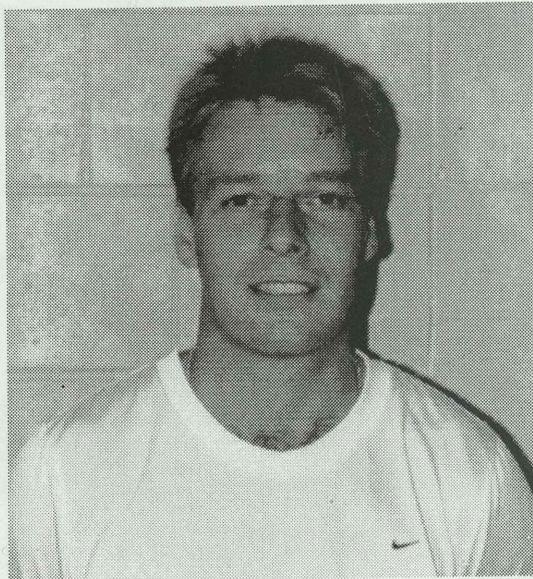


# Ask Leggy

For many years, Garry Legg, Sunday Mail sports reporter, has been criticised in certain soccer circles for the 'angle' he takes in his reporting of the code. Now you have the chance to direct your own questions to the man himself as Garry perches himself nervously in the hotseat. Sensible questions only please, by mail to: **ExtraTime, 10 Bordeau Crescent, Petrie, Qld 4502....** or preferably, by email to **extratime@odyssey.com.au** ('Ask Leggy' in the subject line please) Your questions must be in by the end of February to be included. Leggy will answer your questions in the April issue of ExtraTime. Please note that all correspondence must include your name, address and phone number although we will withhold your details from print if requested. Get stuck in - you know you want to.

**P**er Van Hansen has been blessed with a most fortunate life. As a professional player the Dane took the field for Spanish clubs Mallorca and Malaga, Scottish side Hearts, as well as playing in the top divisions of Sweden and Denmark.

It is as a coach however that his resume is most impressive. After becoming qualified as a Danish Professional Coach, Hansen took off around the world to complete his study for his UEFA 'A' license, for which he acquired in 1999. The list of clubs he attended, and conducted training at, during this study period reads like a who's who of famous clubs. AC Milan, Barcelona, Flamengo and Los Angeles Galaxy to name but a few. In 1997 Per spent some study time with the Brisbane Strikers when Frank Farina was in charge. Loving our fair city, he decided to come back to coach one of the local teams and in 2000 Eastern Suburbs were the lucky



club to snap up his services.

Per spoke with ExtraTime from his hotel in Rio where he is currently based.

**After coaching successful teams in Denmark, what was it like coaching here in Brisbane and what did you think of the standard?**

Coaching Eastern Suburbs was a great experience for me. I have been working with soccer all over the world, but Queensland was something special to me.

On my arrival in Brisbane I was quite satisfied with the players' skills and fitness, but their tactical level was very basic, both individually and as a team.

**What tactical changes did you instigate?**

Based on the players that we had in our team we (coach Frank Byrne, and myself ) decided to change the system from a defensive 3-5-2 into an attacking 3-4-3 and I started to work with the side.

With only 2-3 sessions a week and with only 6 weeks to the first match of the season, I had to organize every session perfectly. Every drill was designed to fit in to our system. When we were satisfied with step one we went on to step two and so on. It was a great challenge for me as a coach to design every drill to contain not only the skills and tactics, but also the physical demands that our system required. The players put in an inspired effort and the outcome was a well-organized team, both in defence and in attack. To complete such a transformation in a very short time was a fantastic satisfaction for me. But it just demonstrates how much we as coaches can achieve with our players when we plan our training, not from day to day, but really plan every detail for the months to come.

**And the team did well?**

The team went on to win Division 1 and everybody was happy, but no one more than me, because I knew what effort the players had put in to

satisfy my ambitions to transform this team from a traditional 3-5-2 into a systematic, attacking 3-4-3 winning team.

**Who were the key players?**

Every player who does his job well and listens to instructions is a key player. They all responded really well to my ideas and along

travel on a two month tour to Europe and play several games over there. We expect that around half of them will pick up contracts in Europe and the rest of them will play here in South America.

It is with great pleasure that I do this job. To work with players of this quality is amazing, but

## The players should know what we expect them to do in any game situation

with Frank Byrne we worked through things together. We had a solid goalkeeper in Robbie Harrison, and a consistent goal scorer in Marc Flemington. Players like Mitch Cattermole, Richard Nicol, Mark Winning, Mick Eadie and Steve Verschoyle all made massive contributions as did Kiwi Halem Geor who was magnificent all season. Hopefully the players learned a lot from the year.

**As a coach, how important is your preparation for a game?**

Every weekend we see coaches, at all levels, criticise their players for their way of playing, but it is my opinion that many of these coaches have not done their homework. It is our responsibility as coaches to have a game plan which is planned in all aspects. The players should know what we expect them to do in any game situation. I know that it is hard work and that many coaches do not have time to plan in detail, but I guarantee you that it is worth it. The satisfaction over a victory is special, because you feel that YOU won the match.

**What are you doing at the moment?**

I have just arrived in Rio de Janeiro and it is just lovely to be back in the sun. I will work a bit at Zico's Football Academy and participate in a soccer program developed to find talents among the poor kids here. I will also be with Flamengo in training and matches. It is good to learn some new tricks.

Currently I am working with a group of very talented Brazilian players here in Rio. The age group is from 16 to 20 years and every one of them is almost perfect with fantastic skills, great speed with and without the ball, and an enormous ambition to become professionals. My job is to put a team together, teach them team tactics, spirit, discipline and organisation.

When my work is completed the team will

to help youngsters with great social problems to a better future means a lot to me.

**Any plans to return to Queensland and coach here again?**

Definitely! In 2005 I will return to Queensland, no more excuses! I'll be looking at a number of options but perhaps any clubs interested could contact the magazine?

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On behalf of the Board of Directors, I welcome all players and officials to the 2004 season. As this is the first edition for 2004, I thought I would take the opportunity to review 2003 on the local front.

## Brisbane Men's Soccer

With the establishment of Brisbane Men's Soccer the previous year, we started to see the advantages of having a separate body to concentrate on the senior game in Brisbane. I have no doubt that new policies and procedures introduced by BMS have made the administration operations of the game easier and more professional.

## Brisbane Strikers

Soccer Queensland's move from Perry Park took place in May. The decision was made with two key objectives in mind. One was to reduce the financial burden on the company and secondly, it created the opportunity for the Brisbane Strikers to have a dedicated home ground. This has proven to be a success both on and off the field. Perry Park has not looked as good as it does now for quite a few years. I am sure that this has also had an effect on the team as the results show. Our thanks go to Dr Clem Jones, the Management and Staff of the Strikers Football Club and the Strikers, Sports and Recreation Club. The decision to field a youth team has provided a pathway for young players who do not wish to relocate down south. The recruitment and success of players from the Brisbane Premier League has shown that the game in Brisbane is on par with the rest of the country.

## Representative Football

As it turned out, the State Representative Team had quite an eventful year. Initially scheduled to play two games, the team was called upon on five occasions. For the third year in a row, Queensland defeated NSW which has caused quite a stir down south. While the decision to play the annual match against South Australia in Rockhampton turned out to be successful off the field, unfortunately the team went down in a very tight struggle. The timing of the game resulted in a number of regular State players being

unavailable. This however, provided the opportunity for fringe players to display their talents and were rewarded with further games against the Brisbane Strikers, Danang Football Club (Vietnam) and the Australian Under 21 Team. Our thanks go to the state team coach, Mr Peter Tokesi, the team support staff, the players and the management of the Brisbane Strikers, Queensland Lions, Taringa Rovers and Slacks Creek Soccer Club for making their facilities available for games and training.

## 2004

A complete restructure of the administration of the game has been implemented by the newly formed Australian Soccer Association. The emphasis of the restructure is to bring all sectors of the game together at national, state and regional level. The implementation of the Crawford report recommendations will see all players, regardless of age or gender, registering with the one state body, Soccer Queensland. This will not only provide the opportunity for players or their parents (if under the age of 18) to have more say in how the game is administered across the state, it will hopefully make the game more cost efficient.

## Insurance

One of the key elements of all sporting codes is insurance. Changes to various state and federal government policies now place even more responsibility on sporting associations and clubs to provide safe working environments for, not only paid employees, but volunteers and players. As you may have read in the press, we are no different when it comes to obtaining liability insurance for our members. I encourage all people involved in the game to be more conscious of their risk management obligations. Put simply, if you identify anything around your club that is likely to increase the risk of personal injury or damage to property, either:

- take appropriate action to move or repair the offending item; or
- take all reasonable steps to prevent an incident occurring; or, at the very least
- advise a club official of the situation.

Personal accident is no different to liability

insurance so far as obtaining cover at a reasonable cost. In 2003, we have been able to ascertain that a large percentage of claims are for injuries occurring at training. Questions that are asked include;

- Do clubs spend all their efforts maintaining match fields and not enough on training fields?
- Do players adopt appropriate pre-activity warm-up procedures?
- Do team officials demand that injury preventive measures are followed, such as the wearing of shin pads at training?
- Do players adopt appropriate post-injury procedures?

As it is our intention to have a regular column in this publication, we welcome any requests for topics you may wish to receive more information on.

Yours in soccer,

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Palm Beach Sharks  
Taringa Rovers  
Rochedale Rovers  
Toowoomba Raiders  
Wynnum Wolves  
North Star  
Souths United  
Eastern Suburbs  
Mitchelton

### Premier 1<sup>st</sup> Division

Ipswich Knights  
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Uni of Qld  
Brisbane Olympic  
Capalaba  
Peninsula Power  
Mt Gravatt Hawks  
Rocklea United  
Beenleigh  
Redlands United  
Albany Creek  
Southside Eagles

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Newmarket  
Bethania Rams  
Slacks Creek  
Moggill United  
Goodna Districts  
Ipswich City  
Samford  
Annerley  
Grange Thistle  
North Pine  
Oxley United



BMS General Manager, Bruce Dinsdale gives us the truth, the whole truth and something other than the truth!

At this time of the year, rumours and rumbings are all the go. Whether it's something that has been overheard, read on a website or argued about in a forum, there is always some good stories floating about. So I thought it might be the right time to let you know what is actually fact and what is fiction.

- FACT** The season will start on the weekend of Saturday 28 February and finish fixtures on the weekend of 28 August.
- FICTION** *The board and staff of BMS have booked holidays in Hawaii from Saturday 28 February to 28 August.*
- FACT** The draw for the Premier League Competition has been made and confirmed.
- FICTION** *This draw was the result of much hard work and planning by Janelle Bell in the BMS office.*
- FACT** The office of Brisbane Mens Soccer is on the move. From February 1, you will find the office at **66a Old Cleveland Road, Stones Corner.** The postal address will be **PO Box 1109 Coorparoo DC 4151.**
- FICTION** *The new office will have a Jacuzzi, lap pool and full size billiard table.*
- FACT** The final series will be in the same format as last year with a two legged home and away semi-final followed by the winners playing off in the Grand Final.
- FICTION** *The finals will be played over a game of pool with a carton of stubbies as the prize.*
- FACT** All 36 Premier clubs will participate in a rejuvenated knock out Cup competition to be played on scheduled weekends, culminating in a Cup Final on Saturday 4 September.
- FACT** Metropolitan teams will be invited to participate in a rejuvenated knock out Cup competition to be played on scheduled weekends during the season, culminating in a Cup Final on Saturday 31 July.
- FICTION** *The cup winners in both competitions get an all expenses paid end-of-season trip to Temptation Island.*

Ok...there you have the facts for the start of the season. The 2004 season promises to be a beauty though I guess we always say that at the beginning of every year. However, I'm sure if everyone works together and does the best they can then there is no reason why it won't be the best yet. Let's give it a go and bring it on!!!

The fixtures for the first 2 rounds of the Premier League are as follows

|   | <u>Date</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Venue</u>          | <u>Home team</u>  |   | <u>Away team</u>  |
|---|-------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------------|---|-------------------|
| 1 | 28/02/04    | 6:00pm      | Teralba Park          | Mitchelton        | v | Palm Beach Sharks |
| 1 | 28/02/04    | 7:00pm      | Stadium Toowoomba     | Toowoomba Raiders | v | Rochedale Rovers  |
| 1 | 28/02/04    | 7:00pm      | O'Callaghan Park      | North Star        | v | Brisbane Wolves   |
| 1 | 28/02/04    | 6:00pm      | Heath Park            | Eastern Suburbs   | v | Brisbane City     |
| 1 | 29/02/04    | 4:00pm      | Jack Speare Park      | Taringa Rovers    | v | Souths Utd        |
| 1 | 29/02/04    | 4:00pm      | Lions Stadium         | Queensland Lions  | v | Pine Rivers Utd   |
| 2 | 6/03/04     | 7:00pm      | Wakerley Park         | Souths Utd        | v | North Star        |
| 2 | 6/03/04     | 7:00pm      | Stadium Toowoomba     | Toowoomba Raiders | v | Brisbane Wolves   |
| 2 | 6/03/04     | 7:00pm      | Underwood Park        | Rochedale Rovers  | v | Mitchelton        |
| 2 | 6/03/04     | 7:00pm      | Mallawa Drive Complex | Palm Beach Sharks | v | Queensland Lions  |
| 2 | 6/03/04     | 7:00pm      | Wendy Allison Park    | Pine Rivers Utd   | v | Eastern Suburbs   |
| 2 | 7/03/04     | 3:00pm      | Spencer Park          | Brisbane City     | v | Taringa Rovers    |

# Kitted Out



ExtraTime wandered into the offices of Buffalo Sports and spoke with Ashley Davidson who has the job of making many a Brisbane player look dapper when he takes to the field.

**S**occer strips have come a long way since the heady days of the Forties and Fifties when having your heavy denim-like short-longs pulled up to your chin was considered chic. Stanley Matthews was the picture of modern elegance when he weaved his way down the wing leaving mesmerised defenders and reams of cotton from his oversized shirt in his wake. Imagine how good the 'Wizard of the Dribble' would be today if he could kit himself out in a shirt so light it's almost non-existent.

Today, soccer uniforms are constantly changing largely due to commercial influences on the game. The advances in fabric technology, coupled with the fashion demands of non-playing spectators who like to look the part, have kept the kit manufacturers on their toes. It's big business and it's competitive.

**In terms of fabrics, what advances have been made over the last few years and what are the latest trends?**

Fabrics have moved a fair bit even since I came into the business. Nylon shorts were all the go a few years ago mainly because they were robust and looked fairly good because they were shiny. The downside of course was that it was hot and it was stiff which prevented it from hanging very well. The nylon progressed and there were various mixes, plus they could weave it in different directions which produced that checked patterning which people seemed to like. In Europe, one of the latest fabrics used by the top manufacturers and clubs is a cotton-backed polyester. It looks good and there are various chemicals added to the fabric to make it softer, they call it 'peaching'. There's also another chemical process known as a hydrophilic treatment. This helps to draw the sweat from the skin to the outside of the

material which helps to cool the body a lot faster. The trouble is, after about five or six washes the chemical is lost from the fabric.

**Will this fabric become widely used over here in the near future?**

At the moment it's probably too expensive, but we think it will come down in price in time. When it does it could become very widely used. The problem with that fabric though is the weight. We feel at 200 grams it is a little too heavy for Queensland weather. About 150 grams is what we need over here because it's too hot otherwise.

**What is the fabric of choice for most of the local clubs?**

The most widely chosen fabric with the local clubs is the Airflow material (the one with the little holes in it) which is 100% polyester. It is hotter than the cotton but it is far more robust, lasts a lot longer and has a good finish to it. This is really popular and there are now differing varieties of Airflow with different gauges of the hole in the fabric. In the catalogue it's known as 'New Advanced Airflow'. We're also mixing up the fabrics, for example, we'll use a satin polyester on the front and the Airflow on the sides. As I said earlier, the weight of the fabric is also a big factor. We couldn't possibly use the rugby league material for soccer even though it looks the same it's just too heavy.

The Strikers spent their first season wearing Airflow then they switched to this other material called 'soccer shiny'. According to what they told us, if you're moving around then after about five minutes there is little to choose between the fabrics. However, if you're standing still and there's a decent breeze then you can feel a cooling effect with the Airflow. But don't forget the breeze also hits the skin through the sleeves and neck no matter what material you're wearing.

**Sublimation (printing) appears to be used less now, why is that?**

Basically the cost. Sublimation is expensive and most clubs are going for a plainer strip anyway because that is the current fashion overseas. Sublimation basically consists of taking a white fabric and printing a full pattern on it in as many colours and styles as you want. There's actually a website with the world's worst jerseys. There are shirts on there with rainbow colours, triangles and weird shapes etc. hideous!

There is however new technology with sublimation in that they can do individual artwork for each shirt on the computer, but again, it's expensive. Generally for the sponsors names and the numbers we use the thermo film now. You can get good detail and it looks quite smart.

**What about fashion trends?**

In terms of design there has been a definite move to the more subtle look a plainer strip. Many clubs in Europe, England in particular, have almost a retro feel to their kits. The flashy thunderbolts and chevrons are extremely rare now in soccer. Subtle piping is the trend for trim around the strip. As far as fashion goes, there is a move towards the round neck collar and the 'fitted' look, although many players still prefer a looser fit that suits the Australian climate. One of the considerations when we make the shirts is the size of the collar. If the collars drop down too low then the players could get sunburnt and this is particularly an issue with the juniors. The whole 'sun-safe' campaign and the UV rating is something that is coming into play a lot more now.

**How can you help the clubs help themselves when it comes to buying strips?**

One of the things that clubs have to be mindful of when ordering strips is the timeframe required to produce the full kit. No-one keeps the full range of shirts on the rack of course and it can take several weeks to make. We have to buy the fabric, then we're relying on the dye houses and the yarn suppliers being available. Our advice to clubs is to get your orders in early because a lot of the process is out of our hands. It is a logistical nightmare at the best of times when you have to co-ordinate fabric, collars, cuffs, numbers, logo's, embroidery, screenprinting, sizes etc.

Another way we can help the clubs is by putting the club logo on their shorts. That way, they can exclusively sell their shorts to their members for a club profit. This also saves soccer mums and dads from having to go searching around the sports stores for the correct shorts and socks for their kids. The chances are that parents will have to go to a number of different stores to get everything they need and they will also be paying normal retail prices. The smart clubs have their own shorts, socks and shin guards, all with the logo on, for sale at the start of the season. The club will make a small profit and the parents will save a bit of money and not have to shop for half a day to get everything. The other good thing about doing that is that the club presents a professional image which is attractive to sponsors and provides a genuine service to their members. If clubs can stock more of the products that the public buys then the money stays with the club as opposed to retail stores.

## WIN a replica shirt



Our good friends at Buffalo Sports (Qld) have kindly donated a replica soccer shirt for this month's competition. If you win you can choose one from a range of assorted one-size-fits-all shirts. All you have to do is correctly answer the question below and email your answer to [extratime\\_comp@hotmail.com](mailto:extratime_comp@hotmail.com) (in the subject line please type 'ExtraTime competition'). Alternatively, mail your answer on the back of a sealed envelope to: ExtraTime Publications, 10 Bourdeau Crescent,

Petrie, Qld 4502. Whatever way you enter, don't forget to include your name & contact details including a phone number. The winner will be notified by phone.

Closing date for entries is Monday 16th Feb 2004.

**Question: In which country will the 2004 European Championships be held?**



# UPS & Downs



In 2003 these teams didn't just flirt with promotion and relegation, they wined and dined it, took it home and had their wicked way with it. Dominic Burke quizzed a few clubs who will ply their trade in a new division this year.

**T**he off-season is always a busy one for football clubs, as they strive to get the edge over their rivals for the coming season. As soon as the day after the completion of season 2003, club officials were out in force investigating possible transfers, ground improvements and ways to raise money.

Five clubs around town have had to cope with more than just the usual off-season business, as they prepare for brand new competitions. Eastern Suburbs and Mitchelton will battle it out in the Premier League this year, after earning promotion at the expense of Ipswich Knights and The Gap, who replace them in Division 1.

Another team on the up is Southside Eagles, who join Ipswich and The Gap in Division 1 after a stellar season in the Second Division. All five clubs have had to cope with the stress of preparing for a brand new competition, and recruiting the personnel that will see them get the best for their respective clubs in 2004. Heath Park has seen plenty of activity since the Easts Tigers roared their way back into the Premier League,



Eastern Suburbs Soccer Club

edging out the fast-finishing Mitchelton by a point in the final round of the regular season to earn automatic promotion. The Tigers, who were relegated to Division 1 in 2002 at the hands of Souths United, have not only retained most of

their squad from last season's successful campaign but have strengthened their list with the addition of two experienced players. Their midfield has been strengthened by the arrival of hard-working midfielder Shaun Molenda, who comes to the club after two seasons with Taringa Rovers. Molenda, who also played for Queensland Lions, was a member of the Queensland State side in 2003.

The Tigers have also fixed their goalkeeper problems, former Brisbane Strikers keeper Corey Baldock replacing the retiring Robbie Harrison.

The club have also retained recent inductee to the Hall of Fame, Col Bennett, as Senior Coach, and welcome back former coach Phil Thompson, who will look after the Youth Team. Brisbane Strikers player-manager Stuart McLaren, who teamed up with the Tigers in the Strikers off-season last winter, is also set to return for a spell at the completion of the NSL. Whilst the immediate goal of the club is to survive their first season back in the Premier League, with such a strong looking squad Bennett will no doubt be looking to push for a place in the finals, just as Pine Rivers did last year in their first season back from Division 1.

Brisbane's north-side has also seen much work behind the scenes as Mitchelton look to build on their impressive season in 2003 and establish themselves as



regulars in the Premier League. Mitchelton, who overcame Ipswich Knights in a two-leg playoff series to win promotion at the end of last season, have appointed Greg Brown as Senior Coach, after Peter Bancroft stepped down.

Brown, who coached at the QAS from 1994-97 before taking over as the Matilda's coach for two years, is looking forward to the prospect of coaching what he rates as a talented young side. "It'll be good to coach these guys, I'm really looking forward to the challenge," Brown said. "We've got a great group of young players here who I think can do really well."

Mitchelton pulled off what was possibly the biggest swoop of the off-season recently, when they confirmed Nick Kuyper will be joining their squad after leaving Taringa.

Kuyper, who slots into either a midfield or more attacking role, joins the club after trialing with the Brisbane Strikers over Christmas.

Brown was understandably delighted with the signing of a player he believes will be a great role model to the younger players at the club. "It's going to be a great benefit to the team not just because Nick's a great player but because of his attitude and the fact that the young players can learn so much from him about how he goes about his game," Brown said.

The club are also confident their attack will be strengthened with the arrival of two strikers from the Vanuatu national team.

At the time of printing, Mitchelton were awaiting clearance for the two gifted attackers, but were confident they would be ready for the start of the season.

It's a different story at Ipswich and The Gap, as both clubs have resigned themselves to losing a number of key players as they look to cut costs and rebuild their clubs.

The Gap are now exclusively an amateur club, after a decision was made in the off season in a bid to save money.

As a result the club have lost most of their first team from last season, including influential midfielders Bojan Vilc and Steve Comino.

The Gap remain confident that



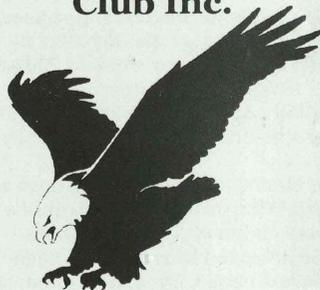
under new coach Alun Evans, a new squad can be built which will in time push for promotion to the Premier League.

Ipswich Knights also have a new coach at the helm, with the promotion of last season's reserves coach, David Guest.

Guest, who has also coached at Ipswich City in recent years, was not worried by losing key players from last season's squad but was looking forward to building a strong side he hopes can bounce back into the Premier League in the next couple of years.

"We're probably going to lose a few players but

## Southside Eagles Soccer Club Inc.



that's to be expected," Guest said.

"If we lose six or seven players we might have to spend a couple of seasons in Division 1 and get the young players we have coming through used to first team football before we have a crack at the Premier League."

Guest's squad has been boosted by the imminent re-signing of Tim Reece, Stephen Hughes, Ken Caldwell and goalkeeper Adrian Walker.

Southside Eagles coach Allan Morelande is champing at the bit as his side launches it's campaign in the new surroundings of Division 1. The Eagles, who were a force in Brisbane more than twenty years ago, earn their spot in the competition after a fantastic season in Division 2. Morelande knows that the competition will be tough, and that survival is the main aim for the club, but is still determined to give it everything he's got.

"We've got to aim for something," Moreland said. "I want to try for mid-table with a positive goal difference. It's no use playing just to survive, you've got to be realistic."

"Trying to win the league is a bit far-fetched but just playing to stay up can also be dangerous."



**GROUP A**  
Easts  
Rochedale  
Olympic  
Pine Rivers

**GROUP B**  
Mitchelton  
Palm Beach  
Wynnum  
Taringa

**GROUP C**  
Qld Lions  
North Star  
Brisbane City  
Southside Eagles

### ROUND ONE

Wednesday 28th January 2004

|                       |        |
|-----------------------|--------|
| EASTS v ROCHEDALE     | 6.30pm |
| OLYMPIC v PINE RIVERS | 8.30pm |

Friday 30th January 2004

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| WYNNUM v TARINGA        | 6.30pm |
| PALM BEACH v MITCHELTON | 8.30pm |

Sunday 1st February 2004

|                            |        |
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| BRISBANE CITY v NORTH STAR | 4.00pm |
| QLD LIONS v S'SIDE EAGLES  | 6.00pm |

### ROUND THREE

Wednesday 18th February 2004

|                         |        |
|-------------------------|--------|
| EASTS v OLYMPIC         | 6.30pm |
| PINE RIVERS v ROCHEDALE | 8.30pm |

Friday 13th February 2004

|                      |        |
|----------------------|--------|
| TARINGA v MITCHELTON | 6.30pm |
| PALM BEACH v WYNNUM  | 8.30pm |

Sunday 15th February 2004

|                            |        |
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| NORTH STAR v S'SIDE EAGLES | 4.00pm |
| QLD LIONS v BRISBANE CITY  | 6.00pm |

### ROUND TWO

Wednesday 4th February 2004

|                     |        |
|---------------------|--------|
| ROCHEDALE v OLYMPIC | 6.30pm |
| EASTS v PINE RIVERS | 8.30pm |

Friday 6th February 2004

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| WYNNUM v MITCHELTON  | 6.30pm |
| PALM BEACH v TARINGA | 8.30pm |

Sunday 8th February 2004

|                               |        |
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| BRISBANE CITY v S'SIDE EAGLES | 4.00pm |
| QLD LIONS v NORTH STAR        | 6.00pm |

### SEMI-FINALS

Wednesday 18th February 2004

|                                 |        |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| WINNER Group A v WINNER Group C | 6.30pm |
|---------------------------------|--------|

WINNER Group B v \*BEST RUNNER-UP 8.30pm

(\*determined by most points, then best goal difference, then most goals scored)

### 3rd/4th PLACE PLAYOFF

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| Sunday 22nd February 2004                   | 4.00pm |
| LOSER 1st Semi-Final v LOSER 2nd Semi-Final |        |

Queensland's premier pre-season competition is on again in 2004 with Premier League newcomers Easts and Mitchelton using the tournament to test their mettle against more established rivals.

Traditionally, pre-season is used by the clubs to try out players and formations but it also gives players a chance to put themselves in the shop window.

All games are held at Lions Stadium, Richlands.

## SILVER BOOT FINAL

Sunday 22nd February 2004 at 6.00pm

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**Silver Boot Grand Final**

Monday 23rd Feb  
**2004 Season Launch**

Saturday 28th Feb  
**Round 1 - the big kick off**

Saturday 1st May  
**Premier Cup Round 1**

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