



# WOULD THEY COME BACK



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# SUPER SERIES

A Super Series for Australia's top footballers . . . that's one of the thoughts-for-the-future lingering in the mind of East Perth president Harry Atlas.

Mr Atlas has now announced his intention to step down as leader of the Royals, but that doesn't mean he is not still thinking about the future of the game.

In fact, one of his most cherished thoughts is the establishment of a genuine national competition, catering for the cream of the country's football talent and based on similar concepts in America.

East Perth have been the most successful WA club in the national night competitions — reaching the semi-final this year and the grand final two years ago — so Mr Atlas has had a good look at the interstate series.

"Why can't we project ourselves into the future and think of a national series with players being especially groomed simply for the Super league — or whatever you call it," he asks.

"I would see it working with say, 30 of WA's top footballers being part of a team that would compete exclusively on a home-and-away basis with teams from other States.

"My main thought is that it could be a way of stopping the flow of our top footballers to the VFL. These 30 players would be totally professional and would be regarded as the elite group in the State. The way football in Australia is now, everyone wants to go to Victoria to have a try out in the so-called super competition, the VFL.

"If we could offer our top players the same type of money, the same standard of football and the thrill of playing against top footballers from other States, then maybe they would stay in Perth."

Some interesting thoughts for the future



East Perth President HARRY ATLAS talks to Alan East

Mr Atlas is certainly projecting the image of interstate football into a new sphere and, as he says, it is only a concept. But it is certainly an interesting concept.

The increasing involvement of sponsors and television in football makes it a viable situation for Super teams to fly across Australia competing in a home-and-away series something like the Sheffield Shield programme in cricket.

The establishment of a Super Squad of 30 players would certainly deplete the current level of our footballers — but then there are at least 30 top WA players competing in the VFL at the moment.

The squad could be selected pre-season — training under an independent coach — and promotions and relegations could be made at different times. Naturally, the series would involve a complete change of attitude by local clubs, but if the concept was attractive enough to be able to retain WA players in this State, then maybe the local thinking would change.

As Mr Atlas says:

"The thrill of seeing teams of top footballers coming to Perth to do battle with the WA side — call them the Wallabies or Westerners or something — would be an added boost to our competition.

"The matches that are played in the Eastern States could be televised live back to Perth.

"I would envisage the competition running for most of the season, but coming to an end just before our qualifying games finish. I don't see that this idea would affect interstate football as we know it now. There would be room for both.

"The night series as we saw it last year was successful and with Queensland and South Australia joining we are gradually moving towards a viable national competition.

"I'm thinking about a totally professional band of footballers. Victoria would probably have two or three teams and the States like Queensland and New South Wales would be allowed an initial period to recruit players such as Queensland has done in cricket.

"But as I said earlier, it's only a concept and I wouldn't expect to see anything like this in operation in the immediate future. It's a very interesting topic for the future of Australian football."

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**EDITORIAL**

# Debt to country

While WANFL talent scouts are out working overtime this week, it is an opportune time for the administrations of local clubs to seriously consider the financial contributions they make toward the welfare of country football.

The cream of country footballers are in Perth this week competing for the title of country champions while the very future of the series itself is in serious doubt.

Over the past two or three seasons, several country leagues have opted out of the series. This has resulted in the C division of the competition being abandoned.

The major factor which is slowly crippling the series is the lack of finance. It is costing many thousands of dollars to bring some distant leagues to Perth.

For some time now some country administrations have been examining ways of re-vamping the series with the object of cutting costs. One suggestion is that elimination matches be spread throughout the country areas, with the semi-finals being played in a major country centre or in Perth as a possible curtain-raiser to a State match.

It is possible that the implementation of some of these proposals would greatly assist the preservation of the series.

However, whatever decisions are made about the future format of the championships, it is important that they survive.

The onus for its survival lies very heavily on the WANFL clubs.

Since the introduction of country zoning, when league clubs were first compelled to make some real contribution to country clubs, we have heard nothing but what a marvelous job they have done.

However, their contribution falls well short of the debt they owe country clubs.

West Australia's country leagues provide at least 25 percent of league footballers. In fact nearly 60 — and that is three teams — former country footballers have made league appearances this season.

It is acknowledged that most WANFL clubs face a constant battle to balance their annual budgets. Nevertheless, interstate players continue to be bought and sold for mind boggling price tags.

It is not uncommon for clubs to have paid more in playing contracts and transfer fees for one second-rate interstater than they have contributed to their country zone in an entire season.

It is high time the priorities were put in the correct perspective.

Peter Poat, publisher.

# HOME TEAM FANS NOT HAPPY

SAYS ALAN EAST



### Home teams found that their fans were not too happy last Saturday when three of the four clubs had to tolerate surprise defeats in front of their partisan supporters.

East Perth once again suffered a shock defeat at the hands of Subiaco; Perth went down ingloriously to Swan Districts even though many critics tipped them to make a belated bid for the top four and South Fremantle once again found how unpredictable Derbies can be.

Claremont, the only side really rolling on happily, survived their home-ground clash with West Perth, who were certainly disappointed with their approach after looking competitive in recent weeks.

But let's start with Subiaco. Praise can certainly be heaped on the Lions for their fighting victory over East Perth — repeating the shock win of April 30, 1977 when they also upset the Royals appellation — but they must also be answerable for their inconsistent form.

The display by Subiaco was a highly-competitive one and it must be a puzzle for all concerned as to why the players can look so good one week and so pathetic seven days later. Subiaco's lack of competitiveness this season is one of four reasons why the top four was settled with one-third of the season to go — the other three reasons, of course, were Swans, Perth and West Perth.

Subiaco's slide is also detrimental to the crowd situation.

It was obvious on Saturday that the East Perth-Subiaco clash would be a low-key one with a very small crowd in attendance.

The same happens at other grounds as Subiaco supporters, naturally enough, find other things to do on Saturday afternoons in preference to following their football team. Subiaco must rate as one of the most enigmatic teams we've seen in WA for a long time and it destroys the competition — and the whole appeal of our game on a week-to-week basis — when sides cannot perform consistently.

To a lesser extent Swans have also failed the system.

They set out to be so competitive also, but a quartet of defeats in recent weeks put the skids under them. Even the morale-boosting victory over Perth last week — their third against the Demons this year — has not altered the fact that they will miss the top four this season.

However, let's move up the ladder to the top half of the table — after all, that's where the action is.

Claremont have rediscovered the secret of winning — kicking goals. And they have re-settled their forward line with Norm Uncle confident and in-form at full-forward and Ross Ditchburn running free and wild at centre-half-forward.

With Graham Moss, the State's top ruckman, heading their big-man department and the Krakouer Kids, Jim and Phil, zipping the packs with their speed and dazzling ball-skills, the Tigers certainly deserve to be premiership favourites.

Maybe the Claremont Camp have reached peak a little too early, who knows. But they are certainly young, enthusiastic and capable of winning a premiership.

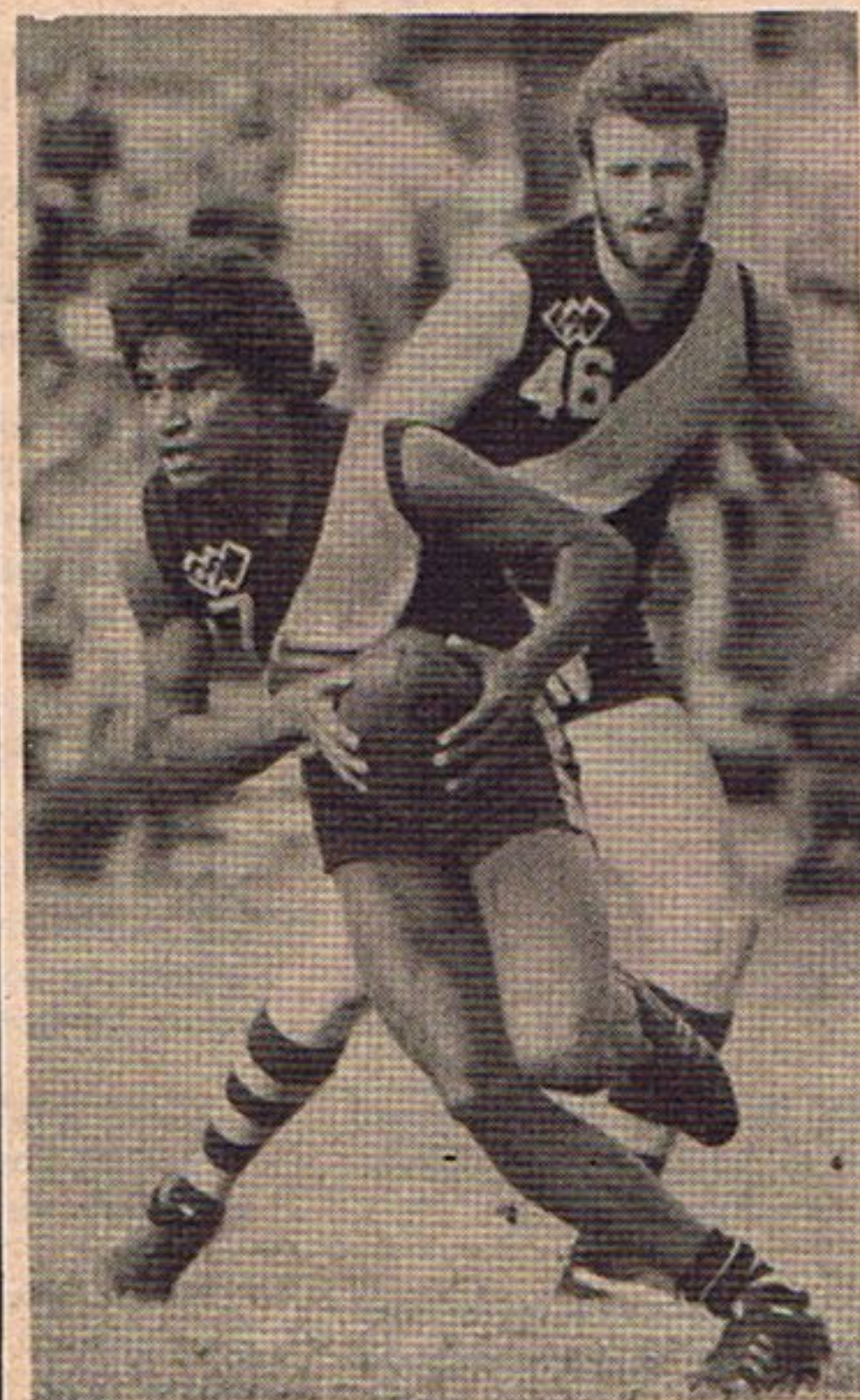
South Fremantle may have lost the Derby last week, but they haven't lost too many friends.

Derbies are strange affairs; battles between inter-town teams are hard-fought duels with tons of local rivalry mixed with certain amounts of emotion. Those ingredients are enough to provide any sort of upset result imaginable.

Therefore, both Port sides can re-establish claims to making it an all-Fremantle grand final and it will be



Mark Dobson... in great defensive form



Phil Krakouer

### SELECTIONS

interesting to see their build-up over the next few weeks.

East Perth's hopes are questionable. Losing to lowly Subiaco does not help their image; but after all, Subiaco's first win of the season was over Claremont and that victory was enough to jolt the Tigers into real action and they've never looked back.

East Perth certainly have the players to win a flag; whether they have the teamwork only the next few weeks will tell that story.

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Swan Districts directors are going into hibernation some time next month — and the hopes of 1980 are the reason. The club's board of management will lock themselves in a local motel for 12 hours to have a 'think-tank' session, where they will all submit written thoughts about their programme for next year.

## FORM GUIDE and THIS WEEK'S GAMES

PERTH	—	L, W, L, W, L, W, L, W, L, W, L, L, L, L, W, L	.....	v	West Perth at Leederville
SWANS	—	L, L, W, L, W, W, L, L, W, W, L, W, L, L, L, W	.....	v	Claremont at Bassendean
WEST PERTH	—	W, L, L, L, L, L, L, L, L, L, W, W, L, W, L, L	.....	v	Perth at Leederville
CLAREMONT	—	W, L, W, W, L, L, W, W, W, W, L, W, W, W, W, W	.....	v	Swan Districts at Bassendean
EAST FREMANTLE	—	W, W, W, W, W, L, W, W, L, L, L, L, W, W, W, L, W	.....	v	East Perth at East Fremantle
EAST PERTH	—	L, W, W, L, W, L, W, L, L, W, W, W, W, L, W, L	.....	v	East Fremantle at East Fremantle
SOUTH FREMANTLE	—	W, W, L, W, W, W, W, L, W, W, W, L, W, W, W, L	.....	v	Subiaco at Subiaco
SUBIACO	—	L, L, L, L, L, W, L, W, L, L, L, L, L, L, L, W	.....	v	South Fremantle at Subiaco



# Michael plunge brings back memories



Guest Columnist



Robert Bennett

The betting plunge on South Fremantle ruckman Stephen Michael brings back memories of the 1971 season when East Fremantle's David Hollins was backed off the boards to win the Sandover Medal.

The same situation developed in Victoria last year when Malcolm Blight, the eventual Brownlow Medallist was "known" to have won the award weeks before the medal count.

Because of these two experiences and the fact that so much money has been put on Michael, it makes one wonder how informed punters are on this occasion.

Bookmakers are unlikely to slash the price of someone from 8 to 1 to the prohibitive odds of 6/4 with four games to go unless they also think that those placing the bets are in the know.

While Michael is having a good season it is difficult to understand why he should be installed at such short odds when Claremont's Graham Moss is having such an outstanding season and has a past record of attracting the umpires attention.

In 1971 an investigation by the league showed that a leak did occur. Some umpires were aware how well Hollins had been polling and that information became

known to people who laid bets and made a big killing.

Already the publicity surrounding the betting plunge on Michael has cast aspersions on umpires as they are really the only ones who could possibly know how Michael is going.

For that reason the league should consider conducting an inquiry and attempt to find the source that has inspired the consistent backing of Michael.

While betting on the Sandover Medal is illegal it would not be too difficult to find out who has taken the bets and who has made them.

It could put the league in a position to know if there is any basis for the backing.

As well it would ensure that Michael isn't penalised by the plunge — or umpires put in an invidious position.

It is quite possible that umpires could be accused of taking a set against Michael as a safeguard against allegations of them leaking information or favouring Michael.

How important are members to football clubs? Anyone who has attended the trophy presentations at Claremont in the past two weeks must be wondering whether club president Wally Maskiell enjoys having the clubrooms packed after home games.

In the past two weeks he has annoyed some club members because of his attitude towards them over the level of noise during presentations.

After the East Fremantle game he suggested to members that if they didn't want to listen to players when they were accepting trophies they drink in the bottom bar.

Last week he said that there was a better reaction from supporters when the team played away games as only those really interested in the trophy presentation bothered to go back to the club afterwards.

Mr Maskiell's comments show a love-hate relationship at the club. The club relies heavily on support after games for bar turnover. They realise the value of this as players don't usually make an appearance in the clubrooms until well after six o'clock, which is in marked contrast to some clubs.

The reason for this seems obvious. Most people tend to wait around for the presentations but there is usually a mass exodus as soon as they are over.

The club can't be criticised for this tactic, if it is intentional, as it is good business. With a maximum of 11 home games, clubs have to get as much income as they can out of these matches to help with their finances.

But it is unrealistic for a club president to become annoyed with members in a very high frame of mind after their team has won, because they won't adopt a level of conversation that is acceptable to club officials while presentations are made to colts and reserves players.

It is commendable that Claremont give young players the opportunity to say a few words during presentations.

However, Mr Maskiell is facing an uphill battle if he hopes to keep everyone quiet when awards are being made, particularly to the colts and reserves. He is less likely to achieve this result if he continues in the frame of mind he has demonstrated in recent weeks. While he is entitled to ask people to be quiet, he should be more diplomatic about it. After all, why should supporters who give their time and money to follow the club have to be subjected to what really amounts to schoolroom discipline.

There are plenty of other places where they can drink, as some of the less successful clubs this season are finding.



The country football championships received an unexpected financial boost, when Wesfarmers handed over a cheque for \$10,000 — a lift of \$4,000 from last year.

Smiling country carnival officials Jock Coleman and Bud Byfield (on the right) receive the cheque from Wesfarmers manager Peter Wesley. Barney Giles, the former WANFL secretary who organises the carnival, is on the left.

The finals of the A and B sections will be played at Subiaco Oval on Sunday.

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# KIMBERLEY IS REWARDED FOR PERSEVERENCE

Barry Kimberley is one of the new names on the football scene this year.

A first year player with Perth, he has held down the position of No. 1 rover with the club's league side since the opening game... and his success is a reward for perseverance.

Kimberley was like many young footballers who journey to their local league club straight from juniors... only to find that it's much harder than they first thought. So after three years, Kimberley decided to give it away and switched to Sunday football.

But the desire to play league was still there... and so this season he rebounded for another crack at the big time. His dedication was better; his determination was absolute and his attitude was one of succeeding... which he has done.

However, the 22-year-old Kimberley is not getting carried away with his new-found success. He realises that two rounds of reasonably steady football does not make him a champion and he knows he must work harder in the future to maintain that position.

Barry is the second Kimberley to be at Lathlain Park in recent years... older brother Peter was a reserves player a few seasons back. But there could be many more Kimberleys on the way... Barry is one of seven brothers, aged between 11 and 26, all of whom are playing football somewhere.

ALAN EAST talks to Barry Kimberley about his rise to league ranks:

You must be pleasantly surprised at your success in the league side this season? Yes, very surprised. At the start of the season I didn't expect to break into the



Barry Kimberley and some of his most loyal fans — his brothers (rear from left) Peter, Robert, Ray, Michael and Steven, with John and sister Fiona in the front

league side. I expected to play reserves and maybe wait for an injury to a league player and get in that way.

The aspect that must be pleasing for you is that it's your second crack at league ranks, isn't it?

I started at Perth in 1975 when I came from school football. I was 17 and had played Alcock Cup football with Trinity, so I thought I'd give Perth a try. I was here for three seasons, two years colts and one year in the reserves. I always hoped that I might make league, but they had a lot of good rovers here then. So I went and played with Canning, in the South Suburban, for a year.

Well, what brought you back then? I enjoyed the year with Canning and it helped me a lot. It made me want to play league football and gave me the urge to have another go at Perth. You feel as though you are out of it a bit, so I had a word with a few people at Perth — and my brother Peter, who had been here a few years back, encouraged me to come back again.

What was your progress once you decided to come back to Lathlain?

I didn't get back till February because I went over East for a holiday. I did a lot of running over there to try and keep fit, but I was still a fair bit behind the others as pre-season training had been under way for a while. Even at that stage I wasn't 100 per cent sure what I wanted to do. When I left in November I didn't even know when I would come back.

When did you realise then that you could get a league spot at Perth?

During the practice matches I guess. I got a chance to play in the main practice

matches and went well and I thought, well maybe it's not impossible after all. So I worked a bit harder and I've been in the league side since the opening game.

What did you find that was different to what you had expected about league football?

Well, the guys for one thing. I had always looked at league footballers as some kind of superstar. But they are basically just ordinary people with a lot of attitude.

How do you rate your attitude then?

It can still improve, but it's a lot better than it used to be! I used to just play for the sake of it.

Where did your football career start?

With the Queens Park junior football club at about the age of nine. I went up through the junior ranks and played both with Queens Park and Trinity when I was 16 or 17. Then I came to Perth.

What do you find hard about being a rover?

Well, probably to play better than the opposition rovers. There are a lot of good rovers around; the Krakouers are very hard to beat because they are so quick and Graham Moss feeds them so well. Playing consistently every week is hard also. I want to become a more consistent player; not just a one round or two-round good player.

Obviously your timing in coming back to Perth has helped win a league berth?

When I was here before Perth had three top rovers and even with an injury there wasn't room for a fourth. But this year when Rob Wiley left I knew that there was a gap there if Perth ran three rovers, so I thought if I could put the pressure on I might get a game.

How did you feel when you were picked for your first game?

I was surprised to be picked; but then when I was named on the bench I had a feeling that I'd probably be out on the field for the first bounce. I was pretty nervous and I keyed myself up a lot. But I got a lot of encouragement, particularly from Robbie Lawrence.

## adidas PLAYER PROFILE

Name: Barry Kimberley.  
 Born: Perth, 24.5.57.  
 Height: 5 ft. 7 in. (1.70m)  
 Weight: 11 st. 4 lb. (71.5 kg)  
 Lives at: Bullcreek.  
 Married: No  
 Occupation: Landscape gardener  
 Football honours: Four fairest and best awards in juniors and the competition medal in under-16's  
 Came from: Queens Park  
 Favourite food: Steak  
 Favourite drink: Milk  
 Hobbies and relaxation: Go to the beach; surf, ski  
 Football likes: The thrill of playing league football  
 Football dislikes: Getting beat  
 Idols in football: Barry Cable. He was the star rover at Perth when I was in juniors.  
 Hard things in football: Kicking goals  
 Ambitions: To be a regular league player  
 Nickname: Kimbers  
 Guernsey No.: 5  
 Why? Just the one given to me when I joined Perth. But it was the number I had all through juniors  
 Games played: 17



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# DAVE CLEMENT



## WAS PERTH FIRST?

Was the Perth Football Club the first League Football Club to use numbers on players guernseys? A 1911 report says Perth issued cards with their players names and numbers on them for a game at the WACA. It was not till the finals in Melbourne in the same year that the VFL experimented with numbered guernseys. The venture was an immediate success, numbers were in for 1912 and the Record (Victoria's version of the Budget) commenced publication that year.

South Fremantle, Claremont, East Perth and East Fremantle will contest the finals this year for the second time only. It's thirty nine years since this combination played off. That year (1940) Old East beat East Perth in the first semi-final, South beat Claremont in the second semi but the Tigers came back and won the Preliminary Final and the Grand Final.

Perth and West Perth share a unique happening in WA football, they played each other on three successive Saturdays. It was in the restricted age competition in 1944, they met in the last set of qualifying fixtures and as they finished third and fourth met the following Saturday in the first semi. A draw resulted so a replay the

next week (won by Perth) made it three in a row.

Another unusual fact that concerned these two clubs was in 1946, they played each other FOUR times in the qualifying round (something that had not occurred since 1904 - when South and East Fremantle met four times). Perth and West Perth made a mid-season Eastern States tour in 1946 and played each other in two mid-week games to bring their total games level with other teams in the competition.

Forwards in the bottom team don't often head the goalkicking list, though it has happened four times. The first was in 1921 when Perth's Alan Evans kicked 64 goals, then West Perth's Frank Hopkins kicked 79 in 1930. Another West Perth player in Ted Tyson - the only league footballer in Australia to kick over 100 goals in the bottom team - booted 126 goals in 1938. The only post-war footballer to head the list in the same circumstances was the mercurial John Gerovich of South Fremantle who kicked 74 goals in 1961.

Swan Districts score of 23.14 last weekend was their highest score ever at Lathlain Park. The previous best was in 1965, when Castledine was coach, they kicked 21.13. This year is only the fourth time that Swans have won the three qualifying games against Perth, the other years were 1965, 1967 and 1975.

1979 seems to be open season on the umpires, with criticism coming from all directions. For mine, they are like our players, critics, officials and supporters - the best of what we have so we have to like it or lump it. Gone, it seems are the days of footballers turning to umpiring after their playing days are over. Former players added something extra to the League Panel. Names like Ray Scott (West Perth), Jock Green (East Fremantle), Mick Cronin (East Perth), Vic French (East Fremantle), Bob Clamp (West Perth), Bill Alderman (Subiaco), Lyndsay Johnston (Swan Districts), Angus Glendinning (East Perth), Cliff Fitzpatrick (Perth), Len Gardner, Jim Campbell (East Perth), Lal Mosey (Swans), 'Nobby' Wendt (East Fremantle), George Miers (East Fremantle), Fred Woods (East Perth) are just some of the former footballers who made a big impression with the whistle.

## Williams record

The Williams family now holds the Australian record for the most senior games by one family.

Their tally now stands at 648 and exceeds the previous record of 643 held by the Hank family.

The record has been achieved by brothers Fos, Glynn, Alec and Frank and Fos' sons, Mark, Anthony and Stephen.

Fos played 205 games (151 for Port and 54 for West), Glynn 227 games (181 for West and 46 for Sturt), Alec 85 for Sturt and Frank 20 for Port.

Mark has played 83 games for Port and West, Anthony 27 for Port and West and Stephen has played one for Port.

With those three and Glynn's sons likely to play for many seasons, the record will be a hard one to beat.

The Hank family still holds the record for the most games for one club.

Brothers Bob (224), Bill (183) and Ray (169) and Bob's son Barry (67) have achieved their tally with Torrens.

# The premiership confusion

By Dave Clement

In recent years there has been a certain amount of confusion surrounding early premierships.

The WANFL official list varies from the list of early premiers that I have compiled after extensive research at the State Library.

In the period from 1885 to 1891 there are six variations between the official records and mine.

W.A.N.F.L.	D. CLEMENT
1885 Fremantle	1885 Rovers
1886 Unions	1886 Fremantle
1887 Fremantle	1887 Unions
1888 Fremantle	1888 Unions
1889 Fremantle	1889 Unions
1890 Fremantle	1890 Fremantle
1891 Fremantle	1891 Rovers

In order to rectify the discrepancies let's look at some of the evidence...

A statement from the secretary of the Fremantle Football club, published in The West Australian on October 7, 1893... "Fremantle have held the premiership since the Victorian game was introduced here in 1885, with two exceptions, firstly in 1885 and 1891 they retired - when leading - after a dispute".

If Fremantle were not premiers in 1885, who was?

A report in The West Australian on September 3, 1885 reads in part "... towards the Cup, the respective score stands, Rovers 7, Victorians 5 and Fremantle 2". (Obviously based on the system of two points a win and one for a draw). As only one further game was played after that, in which Fremantle defeated Victorians, Rovers could not possibly have been deprived of the Premiership.

Further proof of Rovers' success in 1885 and Fremantle's Premiership in 1886 appeared in a newspaper report next season. It says: "Rovers should have made a better fight for the honour of holding the Cup which this year goes to Fremantle".

Fremantle's premiership in 1886 came after the side was unbeaten during the season, winning seven games and drawing two others. Unions - the side officially credited with the premiership - won only two games for the season. Unions were obviously a weak side as a special ruling was made to allow them to play with three extra men. Despite this they finished last. With Fremantle out of the competition in 1887, Unions recruited five or six of the Fremantle players including the captain of the 1886 Fremantle side, Bateman.

Unions not only pinched Fremantle's former players but prior to the season sought permission to change their colours to Red and White... the colours of Fremantle the previous year.

The Western Mail on June 18, 1887 said: "If they continue to improve, the Unions will have a great chance of taking the premiership left vacant by the defunct Fremantle Club".

Proof of Unions success in 1887, 1888 and 1889 comes from a report in The West Australian on October 7, 1889 under the heading "Unions Football Club Banquet". In the item the secretary said "... the club had become the owners of the cup, having been premier club for three years in succession and NEXT YEAR the club will take the name of FREMANTLE because of the district".

The other year in dispute is 1891. In mid July of that year Fremantle were still unbeaten, but a one goal loss to Rovers and the umpiring of Mr Crofts upset them. They refused to play under him again and forfeited two games before withdrawing from the competition.

A report in The West Australian on September 21, 1891 said: "The game between West Perth and Rovers carries the premiership. West would have to win to level with Rovers". That match resulted in a draw which left Rovers half a game clear on top.

These brief, but important extracts from newspapers of the day, together with the results of fixtures I have from papers of the same period leave me with no doubt that the list I have compiled is correct.

I cannot say with any certainty how the early list of premiers went astray, however, it was not until the turn of the century that the first list of past premiers was published. It is my belief that this list was compiled from someone's memory rather than from detailed research into past records. This list which was published in the West Australian has been copied through the years and has been accepted by generations of administrators without challenge.

## Schoolboys

The WANFL Combined Past Players' and Officials' Association were once again to the fore when the Australian schoolboys' championship got under way in Perth last week. The association presented all WA team members - plus coach Jack Ensor and manager N. Symons - with State travelling bags. League representatives from all the WANFL teams also made presentations to the boys. The special function was attended by a number of prominent association members including John Loughridge and Don Smith - both former State schoolboy representatives.

## THE 6PR BIG TEAM

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The computer places players in their normal position, even though they may have collected points playing in a different role.

The computer team as it stands:

BACKS:	Gordon Casey (SD)	Neil Fotheringham (P)	John Hayes (EP)
HALF BACKS:	Ian Miller (EP)	Ken Hunter (C)	Ross Prunster (WP)
CENTRES:	Phillip Narkle (SD)	Maurice Rioli (SF)	Tony Morley (SF)
HALF-FORWARDS:	Phil Kelly (EP)	Brian Peake (EF)	Noel Carter (SF)
FORWARDS:	Graham Moss (C)	Simon Beasley (SD)	Tony Buhagiar (EF)
RUCKS:	Stephen Michael (SF)	Gary Gibellini (P)	Les Fong (WP)
RESERVES:	Keith Narkle (SD)	Peter Spencer (EP)	Ken Marshall (S)
	Gerard Neesham (SD)	Alan Johnson (P)	

## Test your knowledge

S. Andrusiak of Leithdale Road, Darlington was the winner of this week's \$10 Take-away food voucher from the Taurus Restaurant.

The winner correctly answered all questions and was first entry out of the barrel for the quiz published in our July 21 edition. Neil Stewart, mine host of the fabulous Taurus - Restaurant of the Stars - in Como, has donated another \$10 take-away food voucher for this week's quiz. Answers should be sent to PO Box 153, Morley. The correct answers will be published next week and the winner will be announced in the following week's edition.

- 1) In what year was Swan Districts admitted to the WANFL?
- 2) What year was the last WANFL grand final won by less than a goal?
- 3) Who were the players, last to tie in a WANFL goalkicking competition?
- 4) Who was the last West Australian to win a Tarsie Medal?
- 5) What is the biggest crowd ever to attend a WANFL qualifying match?

### ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK'S QUIZ

- 1 East Perth in 1958. Mose won the goalkicking, and Kilmurray won the Sandover.
- 2 P. Featherby, R. Alexander, S. Magro.
- 3 1935. They were known as Claremont-Cottesloe.
- 4 Colin Williams (252).
- 5 Max George in 1974.

The winner of Last Week's Quiz will be announced in next week's edition.

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# Interstate Round-up

## Melbourne SOS to Barassi

The call has gone out to Ron Barassi to return to the Melbourne Cricket Ground and take over as coach of the lowly Demons after a 15 year break.

To be honest though, who would want to coach Melbourne in 1980 after looking back on such a miserable season in 1979.

On Saturday Melbourne sank to its lowest ebb since the club was formed more than 120 years ago.

Premiership contenders Fitzroy booted 36.22 to record a mighty 236 point total while the hapless Demons scored only 6.12 - 48.

Records tumbled galore.

It was the highest score in VFL history eclipsing Footscray's 213 points against St Kilda last year at the Western Oval.

The 190 point winning margin was the largest in VFL history - 11 points more than Collingwood trounced St Kilda by at Victoria Park earlier in the year.

And former West Australian ruckman Bob Beecroft equalled Fitzroy's record by booting 10 goals at full forward.

Big Bob has now kicked 65 goals for the season and is in second place, three goals behind Kevin Templeton on the goal-kicking table.

More importantly for the Lions, the mammoth win boosted its percentage and gave it a mortgage on the double chance in the finals only five weeks away.

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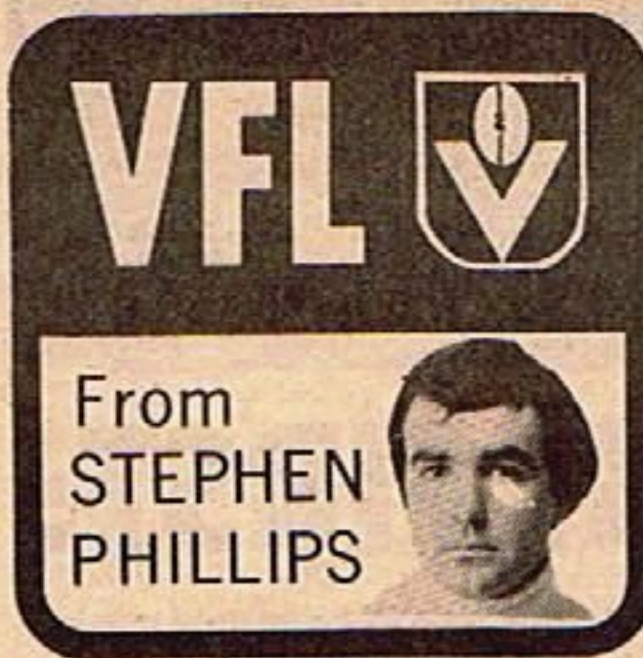
While everyone was singing the praises of the greatest victors in League history there was plenty of soul-searching being done at Melbourne.

Captain-coach Carl Ditterich, who was out injured along with top wingman Robert Flower and full forward Phil Carman, said later that the under 19's or the reserves would have done a better job than the seniors.

"They threw in the towel," an angry Ditterich said on Sunday.

There has been plenty of speculation that Ditterich will give the job away this week but may continue with Melbourne in a playing role next season. The obvious man to take over is Melbourne's most famous son... Ron Barassi. Barassi is believed to have an agreement with Melbourne to coach the club when he leaves North.

Barassi, who played 253 games with Melbourne until 1964 and played in six



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premiership teams, is contracted to premiership-favourites North Melbourne as coach for another year.

There has been talk that Barry Cable is all but signed and sealed to replace him next year but North vigorously deny this.

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Hawthorn's miserable season can be reflected in the fluctuating fortunes of Victoria's most damaging player, Leigh Matthews.

"Lethal" Leigh looks like he has ended 1979 injured and on the sidelines while Hawthorn has no chance of making the finals for the first time since 1973.

The defending premiers have won only seven games and despite a fierce match against Carlton on Saturday can't hit premiership form.

Matthews has a stress fracture in his foot and has been told to rest indefinitely.

## FITZROYS' SUCCESS IS THRILLING SAND-GROPERERS

Fitzroy's success is thrilling West Australians. They are already talking about the possibility of a West Australian captaining the premiership team in Ron Alexander, another in Bob Beecroft topping the goal-kicking and one step further, Mike Fitzpatrick of Carlton winning the Brownlow.

The 17th round of VFL matches was a great weekend for West Australians and should give the selectors a headache when they sit down and select the State of Origin team.

A glance at the vote-getters in the media awards showed some familiar names. Gary Sidebottom was best on the ground for St Kilda and kicked five goals. Ross Glendinning dominated the game for North Melbourne against Richmond, kicked four goals and got the votes.

Mike Fitzpatrick picked up most second votes for Carlton, Bob Beecroft earned votes for 10 goals for the Lions, Stan Magro was brilliant for Collingwood and Gary Malarkey kept Kelvin Templeton, the VFL's top goalkicker to a solitary goal.

If these boys can keep up the form, WA may celebrate its 150th anniversary in real style.

## SANFL

### Woodville make it at last

At last the thought of Woodville playing in a grand final isn't only a dream but almost reality.

In the club's 14-year history it has never made the major round, but Pecker captain-coach Barry Goodingham is sure his side will do it this year.

This season is shaping up to be the best ever in Woodville's history, and already several club records have been broken.

By staying in the final five for two weeks straight, it has equalled previous records.

But, more important this year it has won four consecutive matches and has two players on the league goalkicking list for the first time.

According to the club, all these factors point to Woodville being among the SANFL's best at the end of the year.

And who can argue? Already this year the Peckers have defeated three of the top four sides and come within points of defeating the other.

When the Peckers beat Sturt earlier this season Barry Goodingham said: "Woodville has arrived," and it seems he was right.

"This week is our big chance," Barry emphasised this week.

"The side's playing well at present and I think players are finally realising what league football is all about.

"We'll take each week as it comes but we must keep on winning.

"Football is a different game when it comes to finals time. If a side can make the finals there is no reason why it can't win the premiership.

"In the past the team has had its defects and didn't care enough about the game.

"But players have changed their ways. Team spirit is high at present and players have got the taste of winning.

"And that's a taste they don't want to lose," he said.

## OLD CARDINALS NEVER DIE . . .

The two players featured in these pictures would have been welcome sights at Leederville this year. Both former West Perth champion centre-half-forwards, are now playing in Adelaide.

The two players who left West Perth in the prime of their careers - though many years apart - have only recently returned to league football with their adopted club Norwood after being sidelined with injuries.

These pictures, taken during the Norwood-Central District match by Football Times photographer Paul Tyson show the two players in contrasting poses.

On the right, Brian Adamson (15) spirals over Central District players Peter Beythein and Richard Cochrane in a marking contest typical of the exhibitions that once thrilled West Australian crowds.

The picture below is a scene a little more uncharacteristic. The man face down on Norwood Oval is none other than John Wynne.

Though it is ten years since Wynne parted company with the Cardinals he will be remembered for the reputation of being one of the tough members of the side. He would be rarely seen standing back while there was any rough-stuff. We don't know if John is slowing down, but he certainly seemed to be on the wrong end of this deal. It was a bloodied, red-mouthed Wynne that picked himself up to goal from the free kick which resulted from this incident.

● Another former Cardinal, John Duckworth played in the same match, for opposing side Central District.





# GARY'S GOSSIP



I was amazed to learn last week that not one V.F.L. club had made an approach to the DEMON'S young recruit WAYNE SIMMS. What a prize for the V.F.L. in the future - 6' 5" and nearly 15 stone - his age, believe it or not, only 19 years. Young Wayne, together with Subiaco's GARY BUCKENARA have emerged as the prize recruits of the 1979 W.A.N.F.L. season.

Relax W.A.N.F.L. clubs, both SIMMS and BUCKENARA won't be moving for sometime to come, however, I believe if the boys are correctly counselled they will sign with Collingwood. Why? - Because I believe that too many of our top players have signed with the wrong clubs in the V.F.L. e.g. Garry Sidebottom - ST. KILDA - Rob WILEY - RICHMOND - just to name a couple.

My apologies to GERARD NEESHAM. Last Sunday on Channel Seven's World of Football, I inferred that GERARD could be returning to East Fremantle next season. Apparently, Old Easts and Swans negotiated a deal beyond the original one year lease agreement and Neesham will be staying at Bassendean. Incidentally, the dazzling centreman is in top form and last week won the 6PR Sunny Citrus \$200 man of the match award.

Officials from the Carlton Football Club were in town last week to talk to several of our leading players e.g. - Ken MARSHALL, Gary BUCKENARA, and Maurice RIOLI.

However, Carlton have now heard the message that RICHMOND are making a determined bid to obtain a signature from RIOLI. Things are hotting up in the interstate recruiting war - as Carlton have sent one of their real big guns to PERTH to talk again with Maurice - namely Carlton's general manager, KEITH MCKENZIE. If RIOLI signs with anyone, you can bet money that it will be with RICHMOND, especially with Mal Brown lurking behind the scenes.

Graham Farmer made a welcome return to Football this week - guess where? Fremantle oval believe it or not. Mal Brown arranged for "POLLY" to take some special training sessions with the South Fremantle following division. Apparently, the young BULLDOG ruckman not only enjoyed the experience, but also learned a great deal from the master, as well. All and sundry agreed it was great to see Farmer back on the track.

Ever heard of ARTHUR WILSON? Well, according to my spies, Arthur is the newly appointed "RECRUITING OFFICER" for the FITZROY FOOTBALL CLUB. The V.F.L. Lions are doing very well this season thank you very much, however, there is more to their success story than just on-field performance - the complete professional profile adopted by the club both on and off the field is paying dividends. Just ask two former FITZROY champs - Kevin MURRAY and Graham CAMPBELL.

*Gary Carvolth*  
GARY CARVOLTH

# Scott Says



By  
Umpires Advisor  
RAY SCOTT

offences. We all know, for instance, that striking is a reportable offence and umpires must use common sense and discretion when, and if, they make a report.

All charges that are made by umpires go before the tribunal and in some instances the tribunal would dismiss the charge for one of many reasons.

If the player is sent off the field he is considered guilty and one man has found him so. Would the fact that he has been sent off deny him the chance say of winning the Sandover Medal? This is one area that would have to be clearly defined.

At the moment in league football we have seven umpires who have the right to make a report. This includes the emergency umpire who does not go on to the field during the game, except in an emergency.

If the send off rule is made, do the seven umpires all have that right to send players off?

Having all umpires with the power to send off could cause confusion. As each and every umpire has a different view of a situation. You could have it that the field umpire might see the incident as warranting a free kick only and say the boundary umpire looking at it from a different angle and saying that the player is to be sent off. This has actually happened where a field umpire pays a free kick and the boundary umpire makes a report.

When players are reported and found guilty by the tribunal, the chairman looks at their previous appearances before passing sentence.

With the send off rule naturally this information would not be available.

Possibly you could have set times that a player was sent off for. I can see that it has good and bad points and if they could be cleared up the powers to be may see fit to give it a trial period.

Every so often when Australian football is the topic among people, ideas of how to improve the game are freely spoken about.

The latest innovation is the send-off rule. Football followers have been talking about it for many years.

Does Australian football really need it and if so can it be efficiently policed?

For many years different associations and leagues have been using this rule and from all accounts they have indicated that it provides very few problems.

If the rule was to be used in league football, I could imagine many points that would have to be sorted out.

What field offences would you send a player off the ground for and how long would he have to sit on the bench cooling his heels? Could the player who was sent off be replaced by his team-mate? There are many queries that would have to be answered before the rule was made law.

In the laws of Australian Football, Law 28 tells us quite clearly what are reportable



# WESTSIDE WIZZARD

WESTSIDE WIZZARD, our popular quiz king, awards a double pass to selected feature at City Theatres or Line Drive-ins for every query he published.

Three queries are published each week and apart from all the writers receiving double theatre tickets, anyone who stumps the Wizzard will receive a \$2 lottery ticket.

Alan Beattie, Yealering, asks:

Name thirty footballers that originally came from the country and have played league football in the last two seasons?

The following fifty eight former country players have made league appearances this season. For West Perth: Rod Alderton (Merredin), Graeme Seaby (Mukinbudin), Geoff Taylor (Wickepin). Perth: Gary Bowyer (Quairading), Kim Coleman (Cunderdin), Murray Couper (Dowerin), John Doyle (Beverley), Neil Fotheringham (Narrogin), Gary Gibellini (Busselton), Bruce Smith (Goomalling), Peter Smith (Goomalling). Swans: Ron Boucher (North Albany), Alan Cransberg (Bunbury), Jon Fogarty (Collie), Brian Kerr (Salmon Gums), Keith Narkle (Bunbury), Phil Narkle (Bunbury), Mark Olsen (Brunswick), Bill Skwirowski (Collie), Tom Thorn (Boyanup). East Perth: Barry Cable (Narrogin), Archie Duda (Merredin), Phil Kelly (Busselton), Larry Kickett (Northam), John Leyendekkers (Dardanup), John McGuire (Northam), George Michalczyk (Narembeen), Alan Quartermaine (Katanning), Barrie Quick (Donnybrook), Dean Turner (Capel), Greg Walsh (Busselton). Subiaco: Ken Bell (Northam), Gerry Cotter (Kalgoorlie), Michael Johns (Kalgoorlie), Ken Marshall (Geraldton), Glen O'Loughlin (Kalgoorlie), Neil Randall (Mt Barker). Claremont: Ross Ditchburn (Kukerin), Dalton Gooding (Moulyinning), Jim Krakouer (Mt Barker), Phil Krakouer (Mt Barker), Noel Morton (Newdegate), Darrell Panizza (Albany), Ray Smith (Kukerin). Norm Uncle (Albany). South Fremantle: Rod Barrett (Katanning), Greg Cavanagh (Williams), Ollie Loo (Katanning), Stephen Michael (Kojonup), Simon Outhwaite (Kojonup). East Fremantle: David Hollins (Bunbury), Gary Diver (Dandaragan), Glen Hoult (Shark Bay), Graham Kickett (Geraldton), Peter Lecras (Milling), Jim

Sewell (Geraldton), Bradley Smith (Boyanup), Kevin Taylor (Carnamah). This may not be a complete list.

Lewis Pesick, Waterton Place, Hamilton Hill, asks:

In 1967 a former East Fremantle footballer was elected a life member of the club and in the same week was elected a life member of another WANFL club; who was he?

Jack Sheedy was made a life member of East Perth as well as East Fremantle.

Jason McDonald, The Boulevard, City Beach, asks:

Victoria had its Coulter Law limiting payments to players, did WA ever have a similar Law?

Yes. A law similar to Victoria's "Coulter Law" was introduced into WA in 1961, it was known as the "Mills Law".

\* Questions should be posted to - WESTSIDE WIZZARD, P.O. Box 153, Morley, 6062.

## 6 in Aust. side

The West Australian Amateur Football League have six players in the Australian Amateur Football team. This is now playing a series of knock-out games to determine the final team to take a place in the 150th Anniversary Australian Football Carnival to be held in Perth in October of this year.

Amateur representatives are Glen Hurst and Joe Pittorini (C.B.C.), Dave Steinepreis and Richard O'Shannassy (University), Greg Wright (Nollamara) and Bryn Chute (Old Wesley). Last Saturday at V.F.L. Park, the Australian Amateurs easily defeated Northern Territory, 27.17 to 6.10. This weekend the Amateurs play A.C.T. in Canberra. The winners earn the right to play in the championships.



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# UMPIRES HAVE A TOUGH

Umpires have been under a bit of pressure in recent weeks with seven being dropped for failing to lodge a report in a hurly-burly match and others coming under criticism for their performances.

But being an umpire is not an easy life... as these pictures show.

To be an umpire you have to be thick-skinned; you have to be able to out-shout some vociferous players; you have to be strong — and game-enough to break up fights; you must have split-second decision-making mechanisms and you have to try to be right all the time...

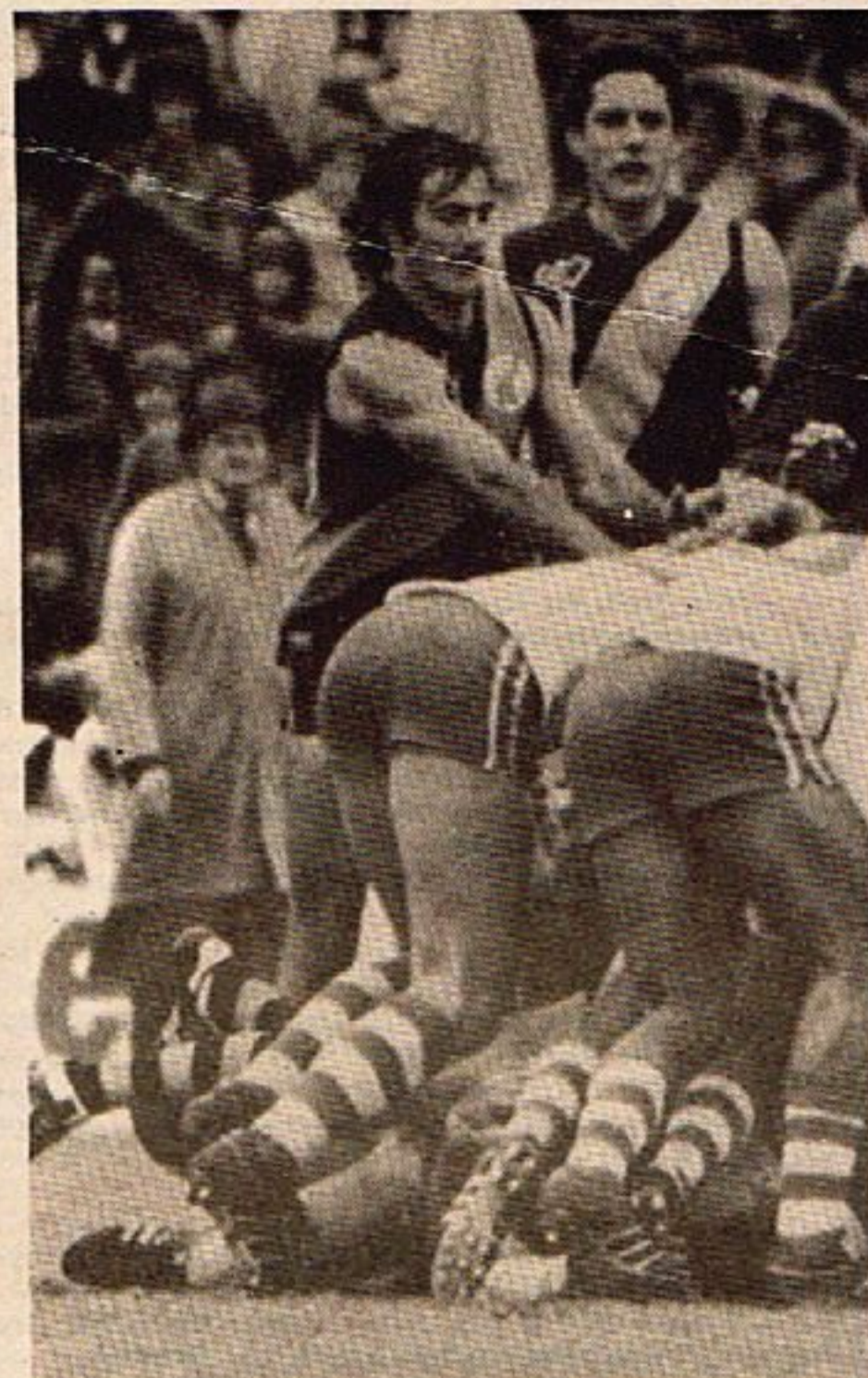
These pictures show just how tough an umpire's life can be...



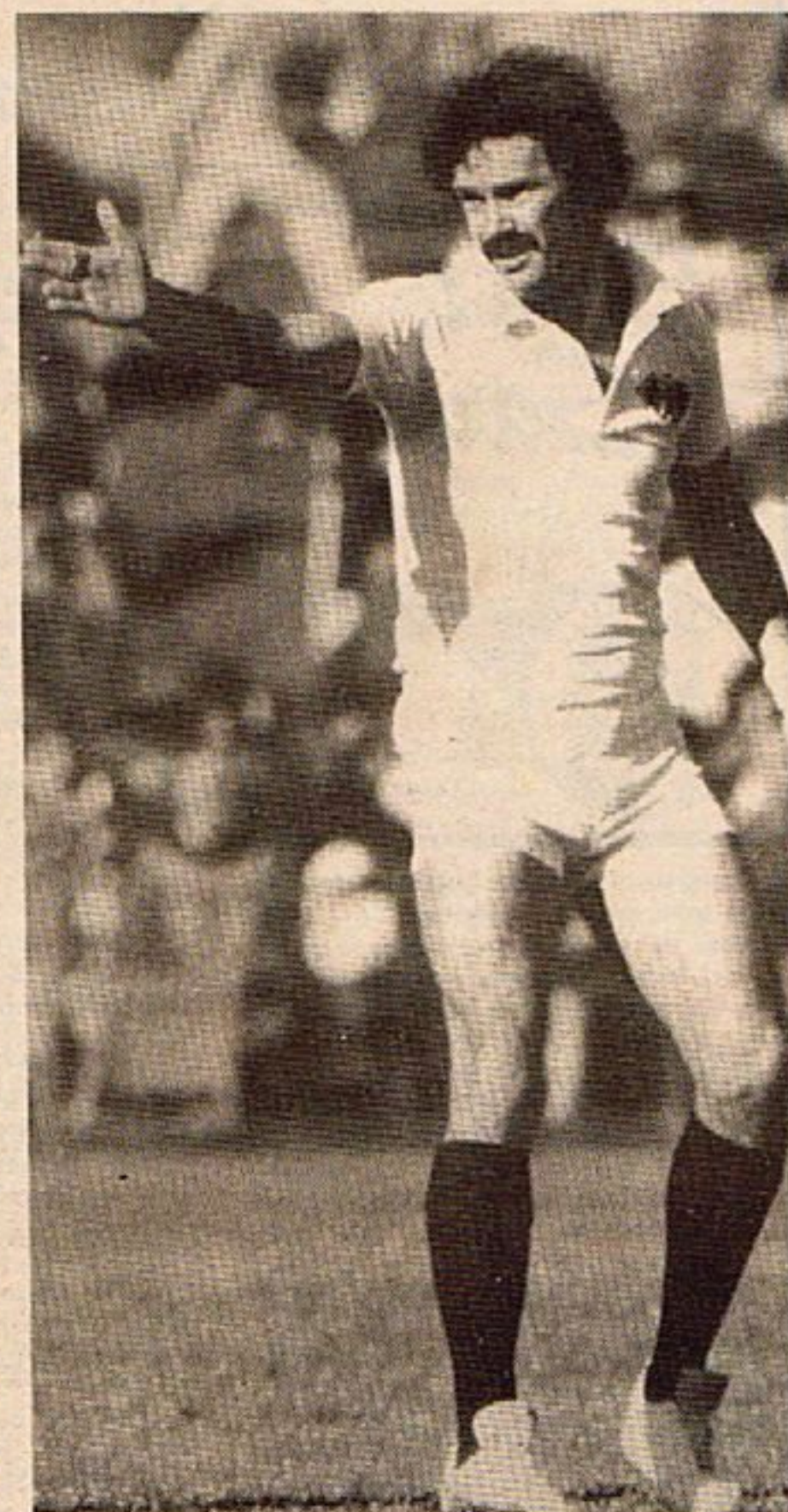
*Ross Capes knows just what he wants John Hayes (East Perth) to do... but there seems to be another opinion on the issue*



*Ron Powell (left) and Robin Dalby have managed to restrain these players in a typical 'hot' Derby.*



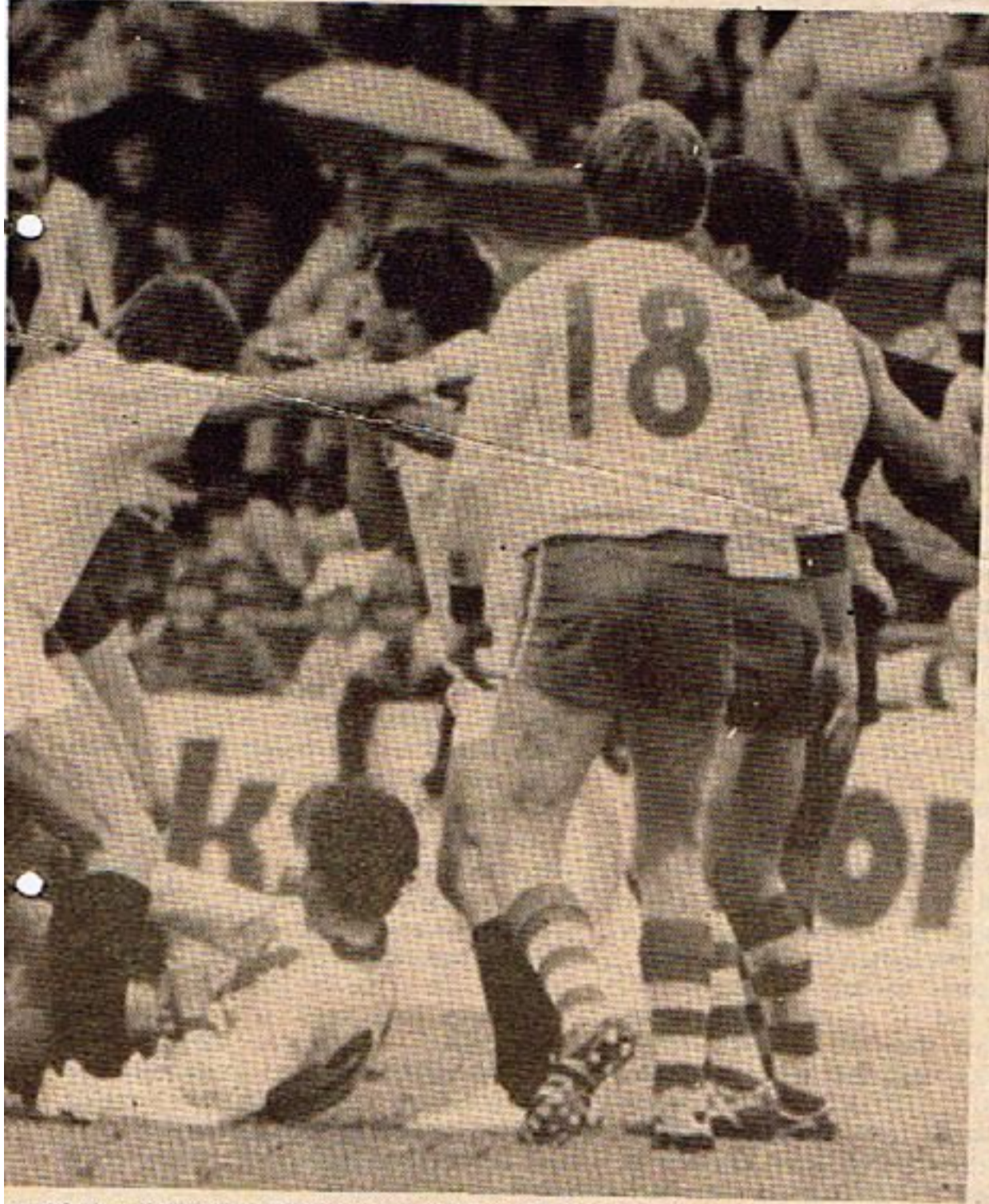
*What hope have the umpires got of breaking up this fight?*



*Darryl Gillies is quite emphatic about where Clare Annear should go*



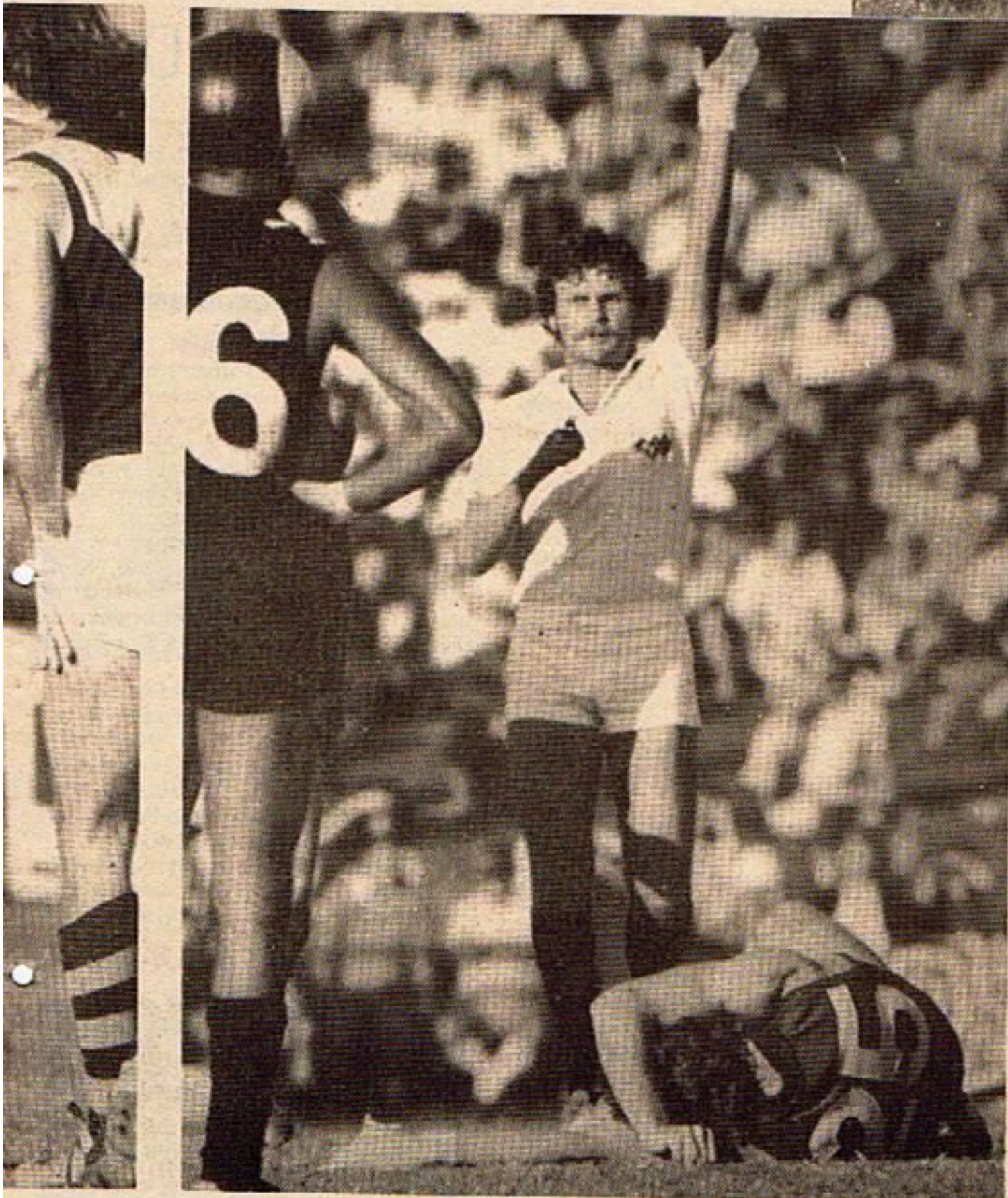
# UGH TIME . . .



Up this brawl between Claremont and South Fremantle players?

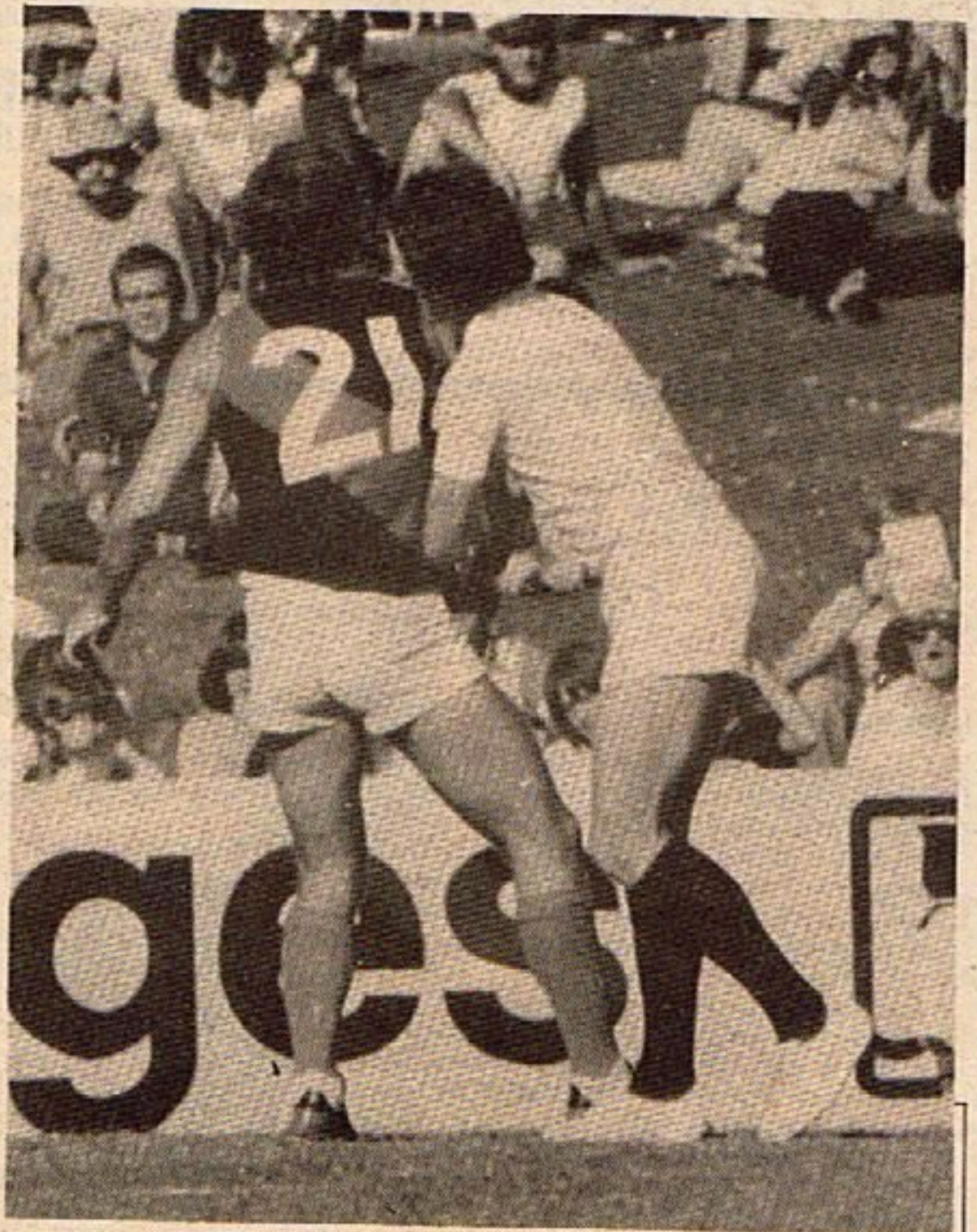


Ray Chinnery is the meat in this Derby sandwich as Ron Powell (rear) and Greg McDonald offer some assistance



John

David Rowe has taken firm control of this situation.



And, of course, the ultimate situation... umpire Mike Ball turns Perth's Robbie Lawrence around to take his number; the traditional method of reporting a player



# CARNIVAL GETS A BOOST

Recruit-hungry WANFL club scouts will have their note books and pens out this week...

...because, as is the case every year, they are on the lookout for promising country footballers competing in the annual Wesfarmers Country Week championships.

And no doubt they will manage to sign up at least half a dozen for their respective club before the championships end.

The country has always produced top players but nowadays, where there is an obvious trend away from the eastern-states, even more are grasping the opportunity to play league.

The news this week that Wesfarmers have decided to increase prizemoney for Country Week is a much-needed bonus for country football.

Prizemoney has been increased from \$6,000 to \$10,000 and the total sponsorship of the event is about \$15,000.

All teams competing will go home with some dollars in their pockets.

As the country championships grow in popularity, more and more people — especially from Perth — are taking time out to see the games... and this is an encouraging sign.

The finals on Sunday at Subiaco at 12 Noon for the B Grade and 2.30 p.m. for the A Grade should see top football.

For those statistically minded people, here are the section winners for the past 14 years.


They might be a good guide to Sunday's finals.

**PREVIOUS WINNERS — A Grade:** 1965-67 Eastern Districts; 1968 Upper Great Southern; 1969 Great Northern; 1970-73 South West; 1974 Upper Great Southern; 1975 Great Northern; 1976-77 Avon; 1978 South West.

**B Grade:** 1965 Koorda-Wyalkatchem; 1966 North Midlands; 1967 Dumbleyung-Lake Grace; 1968 Central Wheatbelt; 1969 Central Midlands; 1970 Lower South-West; 1971 Lake Grace-Kulin; 1972 South Suburban Murray; 1973 Mortlock; 1974 Central Great Southern; 1975 Central Midlands; 1976 Mortlock; 1977 Lake Grace-Kulin; 1978 Lower South West.

**C Grade:** 1973 Fortescue; 1974 Esperance; 1975 North Midlands; 1976 Ongerup; 1977 Murray Districts; 1978 (not held).

Former East Fremantle centreman and now Geraldton based player, Kevin Mazzuchelli, has been forced out of the championships with an injury.



## COUNTRY ROUNDUP

with JOHN WHISTLER

\* Country football club and league officials wishing to have news included in this weekly country column should send their news reports and PHOTOGRAPHS to WESTSIDE FOOTBALL, P.O. Box 153, Morley. 6062.

The Hayward Medal count, for the fairest and best footballer in the South West National Football League will take place at the Bussell Hotel in Bunbury on Tuesday, August 21.

SWNFL publicity officer Kevin Lynn said that preliminary arrangements for the count, which will be broadcast over local radio stations 6TZ-NA-CI, are well in hand.

After a short stay with Carey Park, former Harvey Brunswick stalwart Frank Sacca is back with his old club. He was cleared to the Bunbury based Carey Park club early this season but has had second thoughts and has now rejoined Harvey Brunswick who are currently in second spot on the SWNFL ladder.

Remember John Duckworth, that burly football maestro who played for West Perth, WA and now SA?

Who doesn't? Well he had a reputation for being a 'touch man' and he still is.

However, he has got a couple of burly cousins playing for the EDFL in the Country Week championships.

They hail from down Kondinin way which is for the uninitiated near Lake Grace. Their names are Bill and Rod, who is the EDFL's captain-coach.

Bill is only 17 and has played only a handful of games for Kondinin but they have been good enough for him to secure a spot in the Country Week team.

Already he has kicked about 50 goals and continually been in his side's best. He is odds-on to be signed with West Perth.

It's not often a team records two draws in one season but such has been the case for Bindi-Miling in the Central Midlands National Football League.

They drew with Warriors and Dandaragan.

# SUNDAY SCENE



## CANNING'S HOPES ON THE LINE

Canning's hopes of being a real challenger in this year's South Suburban competition will go on the line this week when they are host to one of the league's most improved sides — Kwinana.

Canning had the bye last Sunday when their other five grand final rivals notched predictable victories against bottom sides and this week sees the start of some of the do-or-die clashes between the top sides.

Kwinana, under the astute leadership of former South Fremantle veteran Brian Ciccotosto, have recruited well this year and subsequently have marched up to second place, behind Kelmscott.

They are a tough side to beat — as Mandurah found out to the tune of 23 goals last week. Names like Dunne, Carson, Solin, Frazer, Davis and Micale are well-known names with WANFL experience and this will hold them in good stead in the tough atmosphere of the finals.

Canning's fleet-footed band of runners have shown some exceptional team-work this season and if captain-coach Ron Wilcox can get them in a 'togetherness' mood, then Kwinana are in for a tough game.

The brilliant form of centre-half-forward Ken Lowden in recent weeks will pose a problem for Kwinana — but then

Canning will have to find someone to counter the elusive Bill Dunne, especially when he is resting in attack.


Kelmscott, the league trendsetters, got past Maddington last week, but it wasn't all plain sailing.

Kelmscott had to work hard for their 17.17 to 14.8 victory and the plucky Maddington side are certainly working well enough to suggest that they can be a force next season. This week they play Willetton and it will be a battle of prestige as Willetton went down easily to Gosnells last week after their morale-boosting win over Thornlie a week earlier.

Kelmscott are at home to Mandurah today and the Seasideers will find them just as tough as Kwinana were last week.

Thornlie — still outside the top five — have the chance to give their percentage a much-needed boost when they are at home to Armadale and this is a vital game, simply because percentage may well decide the final placings in the top five.

Gosnells have been in a high-scoring mood lately — with another 28-goal effort last week against Willetton — and this week they travel to Hartfield Park to tackle Kalamunda, who put up a tough display against Thornlie last week before going down by three goals.



## SOUTH SHOULD HOLD SECOND SPOT

South Perth seem sure to hang onto second place on the W.A.F.A. premiership ladder by beating Inglewood at Inglewood Oval on Sunday.

South Perth found themselves in second spot last week after Mosman Park had surprisingly been beaten by Osborne Park.

Mosman, who were running red-hot four weeks ago, are now facing an uphill battle as they lose players through injury. But they have a good chance of bouncing back when they play Midland on Sunday.

Midland, the chopping block for all sides in the first round, have recovered to beat Inglewood and Victoria Park in the last three weeks and with their confidence now running high, Mosman will not want to take them lightly.

Osborne Park have been the biggest enigma of the competition this season. At times they have looked finals material, but more often they have sunk to the depths of mediocrity.

Last Sunday was one of their better days as they combined together as a team to beat Mosman in one of their best performances of the season.

On Sunday they should have another win — this time against Metropolitan at Forster Park.

Although Mets have players like Brian Congear, Robbie Cantrell and Mick Pascoe playing well, they will have few answers to the pace and ball getting ability of Osborne stars Angie Papadopoulos, Leon Henry, Fred Di Guesseppe, Jim Stampalia and Doug Antulov.

Applecross played to their true potential last week to beat finals contenders Cockburn in the last minute of an exciting game.

It was ruckman Len Ritchie who gave his team a chance of victory when he goaled with two minutes remaining reducing Cockburn's lead to five points.

With players like centreman Jim Priestly (best afield on Sunday), Norm Christie, Paul Clement, Steve Robertson and Greg Naylor they should combine to give the team victory over Victoria Park at Lathlain.

Cockburn face their second consecutive loss when they play Wanneroo at Russell Road.

But the game may be closer than many people think. Although Cockburn lost last week, Wanneroo were anything but impressive when they beat Inglewood.


'Roos coach Greg Brehaut must now be concerned at the form of several of his top players with the finals looming up.

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## KEEN FIGHT FOR FOURTH SPOT

The results of all 'A' League games this Saturday should have a great bearing on the composition of the final four.

The competition for fourth place should be interesting with three teams vying for the position. Current fourth placed team Old Wesley have lost three in a row after heading the table earlier in the season, whilst fifth placed C.B.C. have struck form at the right end of the year. The University Club now placed sixth still retain some hope of reaching the finals, they have not missed a place in them since 1960.

Lowly placed Bayswater will find University hard to beat this Saturday at their home ground Hillcrest Oval, in the 15th round of club fixtures.

At Lathlain Park Carlisle may give spirited opposition to an out-of-form Old Wesley who should return to the winning list, whilst C.B.C. could prove too strong

for North Beach, who have yet to win a game this year. This game will be played at Fremantle Oval.

The game of the day should be at Perth Oval where Mt Lawley (3rd) are at home to League leaders Wembley. Wembley, last season's premiers, after a couple of earlier season losses, under the coaching of former Subiaco player Peter Metropolis, are now favourites once again for the 1979 pennant, and should have the slight edge over the Mt Lawley team.

Nollamara the big improvers in the competition, currently placed second, meet Maylands at Gibbney Oval. Nollamara, a team sprinkled with top class players, have the potential to be grand finalists but must get more consistency in their games. They should move one step closer to their first 'A' League finals appearance by defeating Maylands with goals to spare.



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South Fremantle centreman Maurice Rioli collected the Marlboro \$150 goal-of-the-day on Channel 7's World of Football show last Sunday for one of the longest goals of the season. Rioli broke out of the middle and kicked from well inside the centre square as South kicked with a strong wind. East Fremantle defender Roger Crouch had trouble following the flight of the high-flying ball and he finally saw the gusty wind just take it through the goals. The ball must have travelled at least 75 metres.

While Rioli's goal was an absolute gem, East Perth ruck-rover Ian Miller must have been a little unlucky not to get the Marlboro money last Saturday. He kicked his side's 14th goal when he got the ball to his left boot in the middle of a pack well out near the half-forward flank. The ball wavered through the air and finally drifted through for a major.

East Fremantle's Jim Sewell is in great form as a ruck-rover — which means that he has lost the chance of kicking 100 goals for the season. However, he still manages to kick some great goals and one of the three he got last week was a classic case of being in the right place at the right time. Team-mate Tony Buhagiar mis-kicked the ball only to see it crash into Sewell's chest — and he reacted quickly by turning and kicking a long goal.



Jim Sewell... still kicking goals for East Fremantle



Mark Olsen (Swan Districts) . . . . .	63.40
Ray Bauskis (South Fremantle) . . . . .	60.28
Kevin Taylor (East Fremantle) . . . . .	60.49
Peter Bosustow (Perth) . . . . .	50.28
Norm Uncle (Claremont) . . . . .	46.21
Jim Sewell (East Fremantle) . . . . .	43.24
Graham Moss (Claremont) . . . . .	42.17
Mark Jackson (South Fremantle) . . . . .	41.20
Ross Ditchburn (Claremont) . . . . .	38.28
Paul Arnold (East Perth) . . . . .	38.18

East Perth sharp-shooter Archie Duda is renowned for his straight-kicking, but even he fell foul of the strong winds last week. Duda missed two fairly easy shots — both from free-kicks — about 40 metres out in the second quarter of the game against Subiaco. The bad-kicking-blight affected both Duda and team-mate Larry Kickett almost at the same time. Between them they had kicked East Perth's 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th goals in a second-term fightback before a rush of points — two from each player.

Diminutive South Fremantle rover Kym Zubrinich was on target with his goal-shooting last week . . . but would have had a second chance with at least two of his shots in the game against East Fremantle. Zubrinich kicked four goals and after two of them he was fairly harshly dumped to the ground and would certainly have earned another shot at goal if his original kick had missed.

Once again it has happened . . . East Fremantle youngster Brad Sinclair kicked a goal with his first kick in league football when he came on late in the match against South Fremantle. Claremont's Mike Salmon and South Fremantle's Ollie Loo have both registered a similar feat this season.

West Perth full forward John Frazer scored one of his three goals against Claremont with a magnificent shot over his head. While his side was kicking with the breeze in the first quarter, the ball was carried over the heads of players who had set themselves to mark in the goalsquare. Frazer was first to recover, though under pressure he managed to get boot to ball kicking the ball over his head to split the centre.

Claremont's Norm Salomons kicked a couple of great goals among the five he scored against West Perth. One classic was a shot in the final quarter when he registered his side's 18th. A kick for goal by Graham Moss was smothered by West Perth defenders. Salomons quickly pounced on the deflected ball and from deep in the forward pocket showed perfect judgment in allowing the strong wind to carry the ball through to register the uncanny goal.

## WANFL PLAYERS' ASSOCIATION



By **IAN MILLER**  
President

## BASIL'S INJURY REVIVES ISSUE

The injury suffered by South Fremantle's Basil Campbell has once again raised the issue of insurance for footballers.

The Players' Association has been concerned about this aspect of the game and since our establishment in WA we have taken steps to examine just what insurance schemes are available for players.

Basil's case is a classic example. He relies on football as a major part of his life, but an injury suffered out on the field puts his career in jeopardy, he is off work for some time and his immediate future is certainly clouded.

Each club seems to have different compensation arrangements for their footballers, and the association feels that the introduction of a standard policy would be a big step forward. Most of the policies that seem to be around are not adequate and as football is becoming really big business for some people, we feel the issue is one worthy of a full-scale re-examination.

Many of the contract footballers are secure in the knowledge that if they are out injured for any length of time, they are generally fairly well covered. But this does not apply to the many non-contract players, especially the younger members of league clubs.

The membership drive by the Players' Association is in full swing and while we are pleased with our initial results, there is still room for improvement.

Our colourful Adidas T-shirts are now available and it was good to see Tigers full-forward Norm Uncle wearing one on television last week when he was a guest on the World of Football show.

# SANDOVER MEDAL GUIDE

This weekly survey is designed to help the keen football follower keep an up-to-date guide for the Sandover Medal.

Each week we list the major media voting on a 3-2-1 basis and leave room for you to fill in the voting by the umpires when Sandover Medal night arrives.

This form guide, which should be cut out and clipped in a file, will give you an easy-to-read indicator of the consistency and form of our leading players. It also provides an interesting comparison of the best-on-ground lists compiled by the various media.

AUGUST 4	West Australian	Sunday Times	Sunday Independent	Weekend News	6PR	6PM	6IX	TVW7	Umpires
South Fremantle v East Fremantle	Geoff Christian: Sewell (EF) Kickett (EF) Rioli (SF)	Rob Bennett: Kickett Michael (SF) Rioli	Bob Cribb; Peake (EF) Michael Kickett	Robbie Burns: Michael Peake Buhagiar (EF)	Wayne Harvey: Peake Rioli Sewell	Allan Stiles: Sewell Kickett Rioli	Fred Woods: Buhagiar Peake Rioli	John Rogers: Rioli Sewell Peake	Capes/Morris
East Perth v Subiaco	A. Carew-Reid: Marshall (S) Kelly (EP) Hamilton (S)	Alan East: Marshall Kelly Hamilton	Julian Stawell: Marshall Kelly Hamilton	Doug Young: Marshall Kelly Douge (S)	Alan East: Marshall Kelly Hamilton	Jack Sweet: Marshall Kelly Miller (EP)	Rowley Daw: Kelly Douge Rose (S)	Steve Marsh: Marshall Hamilton Schultz (S)	Powell/Chinnery
Claremont v West Perth	Colin Hopkins: Moss (C) Solomons (C) Ditchburn (C)	Geoff Worner: Moss Ditchburn Hendriks (WP)	Glenn Luders: Hunter (C) Prunster (WP) Solomons	Brian Paddick: Hunter Washfold (WP) Solomons	Oscar Howard: Ditchburn Hunter Solomons	Joe Fanchi: Moss Solomons Jager (WP)	Laurie Nugent: Salomons Ditchburn Malaxos (C)	Marty McDonnell: Moss Solomons Ditchburn	Hearne/Gillies
Perth v Swan Districts	Ken Casellas: Neesham (SD) K. Narkle (SD) Beasley (SD)	Rod Lane: Neesham Beasley Williams (SD)	Mike Throssell: Holden (SD) Neesham Gibellini (P)	Peter Sweeney: Neesham Fitzgerald (SD) Beasley	Bob Hicks: Neesham K. Narkle Holden	Rod Lohoor: Neesham Beasley Fitzgerald	Phil Mulcahy: Neesham K. Narkle Fogarty (SD)	Kevin Murray: Neesham K. Narkle Holden	Buckey/Ball

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# KNOW YOUR INJURIES

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# INJURY AND REPAIR

The National Football League of Australia has produced a detailed and comprehensive manual for sporting trainers... a manual designed to help all those people involved in sporting injuries; be it those who receive the injuries or those who have to diagnose the problems. The NFL Sports Trainers Manual is

available at the WANFL (telephone 381 5599) for \$9 a copy. In this series WESTSIDE FOOTBALL is taking a brief glimpse at some of the more common injury topics discussed in the book.

However, it must be emphasised that the extracts are just that - extracts.

The topics are covered very briefly and represent only a minor part of this well-illustrated manual, a publication worthy of representation in the library of every sports enthusiast.

This week:

## INJURY AND REPAIR



Talk — look — listen.



Examination—comparing limbs



Palpation.

There are three basic causes of injuries:

1. Injury due to external forces — body contact through collision or contact.
2. Injury due to internal forces — injuries ranging from simple muscle sprains or strains to joint damage.
3. Injury due to over-use — straining muscles, tendons or bones as a result of excess use, possibly through sedentary occupations.

The cardinal rule is prevention rather than cure. This comes back to team preparation and here pre-season evaluation is important.

Subjects to be examined pre-season are fitness and skill levels; gradual training loads; immunisation.

This also leads to personal protection such as warming up properly, wearing mouthguards or shinguards and simple procedures such as keeping away from obstacles like cars, fences and goalposts.

Complete recovery from any injury before re-inclusion in a football team is a cardinal principle to which every coach and every trainer should always adhere...

### Talk — Look — Listen

When an injury occurs the first action of the trainer is to obtain a history of the injury. Do not touch the player before discovering: How did it happen? What side did you get hit from? Where does it hurt? How much pain have you got? Can you move the injured part?

### Examination

Examine the injured region. Compare one limb with the other. Check for loss of function, swelling, deformity, loss of sensation, etc.

### Palpation

Gently feel for tenderness and consistency. Determine: ● How severe is the injury. ● Can the player continue or should he be rested. ● How will he be removed from the ground if he cannot continue.

### Transportation

If the player is unable to continue he is removed from the playing area in the most suitable manner.

- Human crutch — minor injury which will not be aggravated by walking.
- Chair lift — more serious injury.
- Stretcher — serious injury, e.g. concussion; player removed by experts.



### DIAGNOSIS:

#### Diagnosis and Treatment

After first aid has been administered, the injury is diagnosed by a competent person and treatment begun. The treatment is given to encourage the healing and repair of an injured area.

#### Heat Application

Forty-eight hours after the injury, when all bleeding and swelling has ceased, heat can be applied to the injured region. The methods of heat application are: ● Hot water ● Short wave diathermy ● Infra red lamps ● Micro-wave ● Ultra sonic. Note that trained persons only should use mechanical devices.

Other methods which assist healing and repair are massaging to remove fluid from the injured site and stretching of fibrosed or tight tissue.



Infra red lamp



Heat by hot water.



Chair lift.



The human crutch.

(Next Week) Preparation & Rehabilitation

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# NATIONAL FIXTURES and RESULTS

## WANFL

MATCHES PLAYED ON GROUNDS OF FIRST NAMED CLUBS.

**MARCH 31**  
Perth 18.12, South Fremantle 17.21  
West Perth 15.16, Subiaco 13.14  
East Perth 11.13, Claremont 14.13  
East Fremantle 18.10, Swans 11.13

**APRIL 7**  
Swans 17.15, East Perth 21.8  
Claremont 15.11, East Frem 21.17  
South Frem 17.19, West Perth 11.10  
Subiaco 11.9, Perth 19.20

**APRIL 14 - APRIL 16**  
East Frem 17.18, South Frem 14.19  
East Perth 29.22, Subiaco 6.11  
Perth 11.8, Swans 11.12  
Claremont 19.25, West Perth 5.12

**APRIL 21**  
Subiaco 9.11, South Fremantle 20.28  
West Perth 14.15, Perth 16.11  
East Fremantle 9.16, East Perth 8.10  
Swans 15.21, Claremont 17.15

**APRIL 28**  
East Perth 19.16, Perth 13.13  
Swans 31.16, Subiaco 11.12  
Claremont 18.12, South Frem 20.24  
East Frem 18.24, West Perth 17.12

**MAY 5**  
Sth. Frem 20.20, E. Perth 11.18  
Perth 15.18, E. Frem 13.12  
Subiaco 17.12, Cl'mont 17.10  
West Perth 19.13, Swans 21.14

**MAY 12**  
East Perth 21.18, West Perth 7.10  
East Frem. 27.21, Subiaco 8.9  
Claremont 17.12, Perth 7.11  
Swans 11.20, Sth. Frem. 21.14

**MAY 19**  
Sth. Frem. 13.15, Perth 16.15  
Subiaco 18.12, West Perth 13.17  
Claremont 18.14, East Perth 9.16  
Swans 20.20, East Frem. 22.16

**MAY 26**  
East Perth 14.12, Swans 18.14  
E. Frem. 17.18, Cl'mont 21.14  
W. Perth 8.13, Sth. Frem 28.19  
Perth 22.23, Subiaco 9.7

**JUNE 2**  
W. Perth 13.16, Claremont 16.10  
Swans 15.14, Perth 10.17

**JUNE 4**  
Sth. Frem. 20.30, E. Frem. 20.15  
Subiaco 9.12, East Perth 16.21

**JUNE 9**  
Sth. Frem. 27.22, Subiaco 19.17  
Perth 25.12, W. Perth 12.15  
E. Perth 25.8, E. Frem. 18.12  
C'mont 17.15, Swans 12.17

**JUNE 16**  
Perth 6.10, East Perth 10.21  
Subiaco 4.12, Swans 21.26  
Sth. Frem. 16.13, Claremont 10.10  
W. Perth 12.16, E. Frem 10.11

**JUNE 23**  
E. Perth 16.19, Sth. Frem. 11.16  
E. Frem. 22.14, Perth 16.11  
C'mont 23.11, Subiaco 17.21  
Swans 13.20, W. Perth 15.9

**JUNE 30**  
West Perth 12.11, East Perth 12.19  
Subiaco 17.11, E. Fremantle 17.25  
Perth 16.14, Claremont 21.11  
South Frem. 19.22, Swans 18.17

**JULY 7**  
WA 10.15, SA 15.15 (Subiaco)

**JULY 14**  
Perth 9.10, Sth. Frem. 17.10  
W. Perth 19.17, Subiaco 15.7  
E. Perth 16.16, Claremont 17.13  
E. Frem. 19.21, Swans 7.11

**JULY 21**  
Swans 18.18, East Perth 24.15  
Claremont 24.19, East Frem. 10.17

South Frem. 18.17, West Perth 14.17  
Subiaco 11.23, Perth 14.12

**JULY 28**  
Claremont 21.16, W. Perth 12.14  
Perth 15.15, Swans 23.14  
S. Frem. 17.17, E. Frem. 20.22  
E. Perth 17.16, Subiaco 18.21

**AUGUST 4**  
Subiaco v South Fremantle  
West Perth v Perth  
East Fremantle v East Perth  
Swan Districts v Claremont

**AUGUST 11**  
East Perth v Perth  
Swan Districts v Subiaco  
Claremont v South Fremantle  
East Fremantle v West Perth

**AUGUST 18**  
South Fremantle v East Perth  
Perth v East Fremantle  
Subiaco v Claremont  
West Perth v Swan Districts

**AUGUST 25**  
East Perth v West Perth  
East Fremantle v Subiaco  
Claremont v Perth  
Swan Districts v South Fremantle

**FINAL SERIES -**  
September 1, 8, 15, 22.



OCTOBER 6th - 8th  
NATIONAL CARNIVAL  
at Subiaco Oval

## VFL

MATCHES PLAYED ON GROUNDS OF FIRST NAMED CLUBS. First mentioned match on each date except April 14-16, 21 and 28 played at V.F.L. Park. \*Played on Sydney Cricket Ground.

**MARCH 31**  
Carlton 14.17, Essendon 11.14.

**APRIL 7**  
South Melbourne 15.21, Richmond 19.11  
North Melbourne 17.27, Essendon 16.13  
St. Kilda 19.14, Hawthorn 14.19  
Carlton 23.13, Geelong 15.11  
Melbourne 18.17, Footscray 16.17  
Collingwood 9.15, Fitzroy 21.23

**APRIL 14**  
Footscray 13.16, Melbourne 20.13  
Hawthorn 13.24, Collingwood 19.18  
Fitzroy 12.14, South Melbourne 21.13

**APRIL 16**  
Geelong 15.16, Melbourne 9.13  
Essendon 21.22, St. Kilda 9.10  
Richmond 13.18, Carlton 23.9

**APRIL 21**  
St. Kilda 15.14, Footscray 16.13  
Richmond 20.12, Fitzroy 16.16  
North Melb 18.19, Collwood 14.15  
South Melb 18.10, Melbourne 16.15  
Hawthorn 18.15, Geelong 11.17

**APRIL 25**  
Hawthorn 29.15, South Melb 15.5  
Melbourne 18.23, Richmond 15.19

**APRIL 28**  
Geelong 10.13, North Melb  
Collingwood 31.21, St. Kilda 3.11  
Fitzroy 11.16, Carlton 20.19  
Footscray 20.8, Essendon 19.14

**MAY 5**  
Footscray 12.17, Col'wood 20.17  
Nth. Melb. 19.24, Sth. Melb 12.16  
Essendon 10.16, Fitzroy 25.22  
Carlton 15.20, Melb. 13.18  
Rich'md 11.16, Hawthorn 24.17  
St. Kilda 17.10, Geelong 22.10

**MAY 12**  
Nth. Melb. 14.15, Richmond 13.16  
Sth. Melb. 26.19, St Kilda 11.20  
Hawthorn 16.12, Carlton 25.18  
Geelong 9.18, Footscray 7.5  
Melbourne 21.14, Fitzroy 24.19  
Collingwood 14.15, Essendon 19.19

**MAY 19**  
Col'wood 13.14, Geelong 6.15  
Fitzroy 14.18, Hawthorn 11.24  
Essendon 23.18, Melb. 9.20  
Carlton 15.14, Nth. Melb. 16.12  
St. Kilda 16.15, Richmond 14.15  
Footscray 22.17, Sth. Melb. 14.17

**MAY 26**  
St Kilda 9.10, Carlton 15.13  
Sth. Melb 6.8, Col'wood 20.11  
Hawthorn 17.18, Melb. 10.17  
Richmond 22.26, Footscray 12.13  
Nth. Melb. 13.16, Fitzroy 21.22

**JUNE 2**  
Geelong 12.11, Essendon 12.12

**JUNE 9**  
Geelong 18.15, Sth. Melb. 17.8  
Melb. 17.9, Nth. Melb. 23.18  
Col'wood 19.18, Richmond 10.20  
Fitzroy 18.15, St Kilda 11.12  
Footscray 11.12, Carlton 18.19  
Hawthorn 16.12, Essendon 17.14

**JUNE 16-18**  
St Kilda 9.11, Melb. 12.13  
Richmond 14.17, Geelong 18.19  
Essendon 16.19, S. Melb. 14.15  
Carlton 18.15, Col'wood 16.11  
\*Hawthorn 23.18, N. Melb. 16.9

**JUNE 25**  
Richmond 16.12, Essendon 20.12  
St Kilda 15.17, Nth Melb 16.14  
Fitzroy 19.18, Geelong 9.11  
Melb. 11.16, Col'wood 13.18  
Sth. Melb. 18.18, Carlton 15.17  
Hawthorn 15.10, Footscray 15.11

**JUNE 28**  
Fitzroy 17.20, Col'wood 11.14  
Essendon 15.11, N. Melb 6.18  
Richmond 25.16, S. Melb 16.14  
Geelong 15.17, Carlton 14.17  
Footscray 18.12, Melb 11.15  
Hawthorn 19.18, St Kilda 13.15

**JUNE 30**  
Melbourne 9.3, Geelong 16.12  
S. Melb. 15.20, Fitzroy 20.16  
Carlton 21.12, Richmond 12.10  
Col'wood 25.19, Hawthorn 6.16  
St. Kilda 9.12, Essendon 15.15  
N. Melb. 8.21, Footscray 12.9

**JULY 7**  
Carlton 17.14, Fitzroy 9.11  
Richmond 17.18, Melb. 10.16  
Nth. Melb. 17.16, Geelong 14.16  
Sth. Melb. 13.11, Hawthorn 10.14  
Essendon 10.11, Footscray 6.14  
St. Kilda 6.16, Col'wood 15.11

**JULY 14**  
Geelong 11.12, Hawthorn 11.13  
Melb. 24.23, Sth. Melb. 24.10  
Col'wood 10.16, N. Melb. 20.13  
\*Fitzroy 20.15, R'mond. 22.20  
Carlton 18.18, Essendon 12.11  
Footscray 24.16, St Kilda 11.15.

**JULY 21**  
Sth. Melb. 8.18, Nth. Melb. 12.16  
Hawthorn 14.20, R'mond 18.11  
Geelong 20.9, St Kilda 14.20  
Melbourne 9.7, Carlton 19.26  
Col'wood 23.17, Footscray 3.15  
Fitzroy 16.16, Essendon 15.9

**JULY 28**  
Fitzroy 36.22, Melbourne 6.12  
Essendon 9.17, Collingwood 14.8  
Carlton 15.21, Hawthorn 12.11  
St Kilda 19.14, S. Melb. 16.12  
Richmond 16.15, N. Melb. 19.10  
Footscray 12.10, Geelong 18.14

**AUGUST 4**  
Richmond v St. Kilda  
North Melbourne v Carlton  
South Melbourne v Footscray  
Melbourne v Essendon  
Hawthorn v Fitzroy  
Geelong v Collingwood

**AUGUST 11**  
Melbourne v Hawthorn  
Collingwood v South Melbourne  
Footscray v Richmond  
Carlton v St. Kilda  
Fitzroy v North Melbourne  
Essendon v Geelong

**AUGUST 18**  
Carlton v Footscray  
Essendon v Hawthorn  
Richmond v Collingwood  
St. Kilda v Fitzroy  
North Melbourne v Melbourne  
South Melbourne v Geelong

**AUGUST 25**  
South Melbourne v Essendon  
Hawthorn v North Melbourne  
Geelong v Richmond  
Melbourne v St. Kilda  
Collingwood v Carlton  
Fitzroy v Footscray

**SEPTEMBER 1**  
North Melbourne v St. Kilda  
Essendon v Richmond  
Footscray v Hawthorn  
Geelong v Fitzroy  
Collingwood v Melbourne  
Carlton v South Melbourne

**FINAL MATCHES -**  
September 8, 15, 22, 29.

## SANFL

MATCHES PLAYED ON GROUNDS OF FIRST NAMED CLUBS. First mentioned match on each date except July 1, 8 and 22 played at Football Park. \* Sunday game.

**APRIL 7**  
West Torrens 14.14, Central Dist. 14.14.  
Sturt 12.14, Glenelg 20.16.  
Port Adelaide 12.17, Norwood 19.12.  
Woodville 14.20, West Adelaide 19.7.  
North Adelaide 11.10, South Adel. 13.13.

**APRIL 14**  
South Adelaide 14.15, Woodville 13.13  
Central Districts 21.14, North Adelaide 8.22  
West Torrens 18.23, West Adelaide 10.10  
Norwood 14.18, Glenelg 14.19

**APRIL 16**  
Sturt 8.13, Port Adelaide 6.16

**APRIL 21**  
Port Adelaide 11.18, South Adelaide 9.12  
Norwood 11.20, West Torrens 12.17  
Glenelg 10.10, North Adelaide 13.13  
West Adelaide 15.9, Central District 16.10

**APRIL 25**  
Norwood 20.17, Sturt 12.14

**APRIL 28**  
South Adelaide 14.18, Central District 9.18  
Port Adelaide 14.11, Glenelg 9.16  
West Torrens 18.13, Woodville 16.13  
West Adelaide 14.10, North Adelaide 18.18

**MAY 5**  
Pt. Adel. 9.26, Woodville 10.18  
Norwood 14.16, Nth. Adel. 18.10  
Sturt 19.18, W. Adel. 12.16  
Glenelg 14.14, Central 8.14  
St. Adel. 14.16, W. Torrens 12.16

**MAY 12**  
Sth. Adel. 11.9, Glenelg 8.15  
W. Torrens 15.16, Sturt 17.11  
Cent. Dist. 20.26, Woodville 17.11  
W. Adel. 19.9, Norwood 19.17  
N. Adel. 17.8, Port Adel. 10.17

**MAY 19**  
Woodville 23.13, Glenelg 9.14  
Norwood 10.15, Central 17.14  
Sturt 23.10, Nth. Adel. 19.13  
Port Adel. 18.13, W. Torrens 13.13  
Sth. Adel. 15.18, West Adel. 15.10

**MAY 21**  
S.A.N.F.L. 6.13, V.F.L. 15.20

**MAY 26**  
Glenelg 13.14, W. Torrens 17.12

Sth. Adel. 10.10, Norwood 23.16  
Cent. Dist. 21.13, Sturt 15.15  
W. Adel. 13.14, P. Adel. 18.14  
N. Adel. 21.16, Woodville 13.16

**JUNE 2**  
Sturt 15.8, Sth Adel 14.19  
P. Adel. 23.17, Cent. Dist 9.4  
W. Adel. 13.15, Glenelg 12.21  
W. Torrens 17.14, N. Adel 23.15  
Woodville 13.12, Norwood 12.13

**JUNE 9**  
Norwood 28.11, W. Torrens 10.8  
Sturt 18.8, Woodville 17.19  
Glenelg 20.10, N. Adel 11.14  
S. Adel. 16.16, P. Adel. 11.13  
Cent. Dist. 18.11, W. Adel. 16.16

**JUNE 16 - JUNE 18**  
W. Adel. 18.17, W. Torrens 10.18  
P. Adel. 19.10, Sturt 17.12  
N. Adel. 10.12, Cent. Dist. 13.11  
Woodville 16.16, S. Adel. 12.9  
Norwood 15.13, Glenelg 13.16

**JUNE 23/24**  
S. Adel 15.15, N. Adel. 11.10  
Norwood 21.14, P. Adel. 16.11  
W. Torrens 17.16, C. Dist. 15.19  
W. Adel. 11.15, Woodville 15.21  
\*Sturt 23.13, Glenelg, 11.14

**JUNE 30 - JULY 1**  
N. Adel. 8.8, W. Adel 18.17  
Sturt 4.14, Norwood 13.12  
Woodville 7.11, W. Torrens 8.19  
Glenelg 6.13, P. Adel. 8.16  
\*S. Adel. 11.13, Cent. Dist. 17.14

**JULY 7-8**  
West Adel. 9.14, Sturt 11.14  
Woodville 10.8, P. Adel. 12.12  
Central 14.9, Glenelg 13.10  
Nth. Adel. 17.13, Norwood 13.14  
\*W. Torrens 8.10, Sth. Adel. 10.9.

**JULY 14**  
Woodville 16.19, Cen. Dist. 7.23  
Norwood 21.17, W. Adel. 7.13  
Sturt 17.19, W. Torrens 10.16  
P. Adel. 19.18, N. Adel. 12.7  
Glenelg 25.11, Sth. Adel. 20.15

**JULY 21-22**  
Glenelg 7.7, Woodville 9.12  
W. Torrens 7.5, P. Adel. 10.16  
W. Adel. 12.8, S. Adel. 8.7  
N. Adel. 10.11, Sturt 14.16  
\*Central 12.13, Norwood 12.11

**JULY 28**  
Glenelg 19.15, W. Torrens 8.15  
Sturt 14.11, C. Dist. 13.20  
P. Adel. 18.15, W. Adel. 19.13  
Woodville 18.12, N. Adel. 8.16  
Norwood v South Adelaide

**AUGUST 4**  
Port Adelaide v Central  
Norwood v Woodville  
South Adelaide v Sturt  
Glenelg v West Adelaide

**AUGUST 5**  
North Adelaide v West Torrens

**AUGUST 11**  
Sturt v Woodville  
Port Adelaide v South Adelaide  
West Torrens v Norwood  
North Adelaide v Glenelg

**AUGUST 12**  
Central v West Adelaide

**AUGUST 18**  
North Adelaide v Central  
Sturt v Port Adelaide  
Glenelg v Norwood

**AUGUST 19**  
Woodville v South Adelaide  
West Adelaide v West Torrens

**AUGUST 25**  
Woodville v West Adelaide  
Glenelg v Sturt  
Central v West Torrens  
South Adelaide v North Adelaide

**AUGUST 26**  
Norwood v Port Adelaide

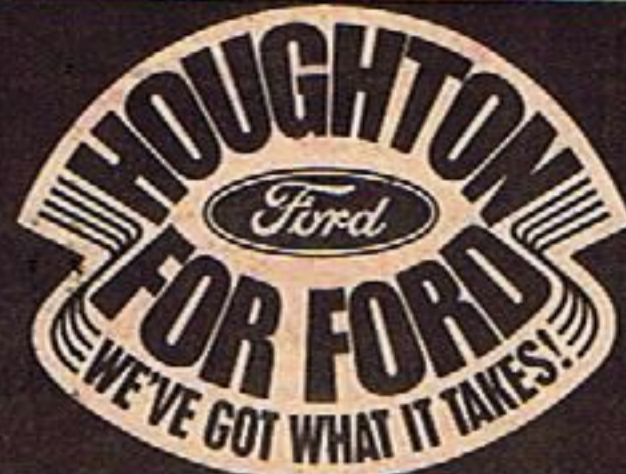
**SEPTEMBER 1**  
Port Adelaide v Glenelg  
North Adelaide v West Adelaide  
Norwood v Sturt  
Woodville v West Torrens  
Central v South Adelaide

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## WANFL

EAST FREMANTLE	2.0	8.8	14.14	20.22	142
SOUTH FREMANTLE	5.11	8.13	14.13	17.17	119

SCORERS: EAST FREMANTLE: Taylor 4.3; Sewell, Judge 3.3; Buhagiar, Turco 2.2; Lester-Smith 2.0; Thomson 1.3; Kickett 1.1; Carroll, Sinclair 1.0; Cormack 0.2; Peake 0.1; forced 0.2. SOUTH FREMANTLE: Zubrinich 4.2; Moyle, Jackson 3.1; Mountain 2.2; Moylan 1.2; Vigna, Rioli, Michael 1.1; Hardie 1.0; O'Brien 0.2; Kerr, McKay, Reeves 0.1; forced 0.1.

UMPIRES: R. Capes, J. Morris. South Fremantle won toss and kicked with wind to southern end. Free-kicks: EAST FREMANTLE: 6, 9, 8, 8-33; out-of-bounds 9; 15m 2. SOUTH FREMANTLE: 11, 8, 8, 8-35; out-of-bounds 4; 15m 6. Played at Fremantle Oval, attendance 13,127.

SWAN DISTRICTS	10.6	13.7	21.11	23.14	152
PERTH	3.1	8.8	12.10	15.15	105

SCORERS: SWAN DISTRICTS: Beasley 8.1; K. Narkle 3.0; Hoyer 2.1; Olsen 2.0; Hemming 1.4; Casey, Williams 1.2; Holden, Holmes, Neesham 1.1; Gillespie, P. Narkle 1.0; E. Bauskis 0.1. PERTH: Bosustow 3.2; Couper, Mitsopoulos 2.2; Fotheringham 2.1; Johnson, W. Simms 1.2; Wilson 1.1; Kimberley, Montgomery, Turner 1.0; Gibellini, Hargrave 0.1; forced 0.1.

UMPIRES: M. Bull, R. Buckley. Swan Districts won toss and kicked to the southern end with the breeze. Free-kicks: SWAN DISTRICTS: 9, 8, 4, 6-27; out-of-bounds 7; 15m 1. PERTH: 8, 10, 9, 5-32; out-of-bounds 5; 15m 3. Played at Lathlain Park, attendance 5,972.

CLAREMONT	2.0	10.6	15.9	21.16	142
WEST PERTH	6.4	6.8	9.12	12.14	86

SCORERS: CLAREMONT: Salomons, Uncle 5.1; Ditchburn 4.1; Malaxos 3.4; Moss 2.2; Rawlinson 1.2; Bradshaw 1.0; Malcolm 0.2; P. Krakouer, Blackwell 0.1; forced 0.1. WEST PERTH: Fraser 3.0; Alderton 2.4; Richards 2.3; Prunster 2.0; Watling 1.1; Hendriks, Gibbs 1.0; Fitzsimmons 0.2; forced 0.4.

UMPIRES: D. Gillies, B. Hearn. Claremont won toss and kicked to northern end against breeze. Free-kicks: CLAREMONT: 7, 10, 13, 7-40; out-of-bounds 3; 15m 2. WEST PERTH: 10, 6, 5, 6-27; out-of-bounds 5; 15m 5. Played at Claremont Oval, attendance 8,429.

SUBIACO	8.8	10.8	15.19	18.21	129
EAST PERTH	1.1	7.6	12.8	17.16	118

SCORERS: SUBIACO: T. Hall 6.3; Marshall 5.2; Schultz 4.4; Buckenara 2.0; Johns 1.1; Randall, Rose, Alves 0.2; Hamilton, Lamb, McDonald 0.1; forced 0.2. EAST PERTH: Duda 4.4; Kickett 3.2; Spencer 3.1; Nolan 2.1; Allen 2.0; Kelly, Miller 1.2; M. Ray 1.1; Cable, Jamieson 0.1; forced 0.1.

UMPIRES: R. Chinnery, R. Powell. Subiaco won toss and kicked with breeze to southern end. Free-kicks: SUBIACO: 6, 10, 5, 5-26; out-of-bounds 5; 15m 2. EAST PERTH: 9, 9, 3, 10-31; out-of-bounds 4; 15m 8. Played at Perth Oval, attendance 5,940.

## VFL

COLLINGWOOD	4.2	8.3	11.4	14.8	92
ESSENDON	2.2	4.5	7.11	9.17	71

GOALS: COLLINGWOOD: Davis 4. Kink 3. Wearmouth, Edwards 2. Stewart, Brewer, Anderson 1. ESSENDON: Taubert 3. Barbay 2. Robins, Madden, Crow, Watson 1. BEST: COLLINGWOOD: Anderson, Picken, Mago, Davis, Wight, Wearmouth. ESSENDON: Davis, Bennett, Madden, Crow, Watson, Marsh. Played at Windy Hill, attendance 31,695.

CARLTON	3.3	4.12	11.17	15.21	111
HAWTHORN	2.3	5.5	10.7	12.11	83

GOALS: CARLTON: Johnston 4. Fitzpatrick, Armstrong, MacLure, Harnes, Marcou, Sheldon Buckley 1. HAWTHORN: Moncrieff 4. Polkinghorne, Tuck 2, McCarthy, G. Albert, Hendrie, King 1. BEST: CARLTON: Southby, Johnston, Harnes, Fitzpatrick, Klomp, Austin, Hawthorn; O'Halloran, Tuck, Moncrieff, Kennedy, Turner, K. Moore. Played at Princes Park, attendance 22,159.

NORTH MELBOURNE	4.1	10.3	15.6	19.10	124
RICHMOND	4.5	11.9	15.10	16.15	111

GOALS: NORTH MELBOURNE: Easton 5. Glendinning, Blight 4, Alves, Bryant 2, W. Schimmelbusch, Dempsey 1. RICHMOND: Rosch 6, Weightman 3, Wood, Bartlett 2, Tempany, Rowlings, Cloke 1. BEST: NORTH MELBOURNE: Glendinning, Dempsey, Tanner, Icke, Melrose, McCann. RICHMOND: Bourke, Monteath, Roach, Wood, Dunne, Bottams. Played at M.C.G., attendance 38,111.

ST KILDA	5.4	9.7	13.11	19.14	128
SOUTH MELBOURNE	2.3	8.5	14.7	16.12	108

GOALS: ST KILDA: Scott 6. Sidebottom, Duperouse 4, Discher, Dunne, Nettlefold, Callory, Cahir 1. SOUTH MELBOURNE: Thompson 4, Lamb 3, Dean, T. Morwood, Zantuck 2, O'Neill, Fields, Kruse 1. BEST: ST KILDA: Sidebottom, Cunningham, Gallery, Sarau, Breen, Scott. SOUTH MELBOURNE: James, Morrison, Lamb, Fields, O'Neill, Kruse. Played at Moorabbin, attendance 12,969.

GEELONG	4.5	7.8	14.13	18.14	122
FOOTSCRAY	2.0	6.3	8.6	12.10	82

GOALS: GEELONG: Johnston, Bright 5, Burns 4, Clarke 2, Cousins, Burns 1. FOOTSCRAY: Morrison 5. Kelly, Templeton, McKenna, Whitten, Smedts, B. Reid, Jennings 1. BEST: GEELONG: Bright, Clarke, Cousins, Featherby, Hawkins, Burns. FOOTSCRAY: Jennings, J. Reid, Whitten, Morrison, Smedts, Kelly. Played at Western Oval, attendance 14,284.

FITZROY	7.7	14.14	26.17	36.22	238
MELBOURNE	2.1	2.5	4.8	6.12	48

GOALS: FITZROY: Beecroft 10, Irwin 5, Conlan, Quinlan 4, Walls, Allan, Wilson 3, McMahon 2, Richardson, Harris 1. MELBOURNE: Gaunt 2, Biffin, Durnan, Thorne, Healy 1. BEST: FITZROY: Irwin, Wilson, Beecroft, Allan, Serafini, Taylor. MELBOURNE: Fowler, Gaunt, Giles, Wells, Baker, Hutchinson. Played at V.F.L. Park, attendance 12,149.

## INTERSTATE MATCH

ACT 22.12 (144) b NEW SOUTH WALES 19.21 (135)

GOALS: A.C.T.: M. Manson 7. Blackaby 3, HARRIS 3, Neale 2, Widera 2, Rafferty 2, Franklin, Black, J. Manson. N.S.W.: Prentice 6, Carroll 3, Newton 2, Gannon 2, Stewart, Kendrick, Durnan, Smith, Imire, Nolan. Played at Manuka Oval (A.C.T.), attendance 5,520.

## INTERSTATE TOP SCORERS

### V.F.L.

K. Templeton (Footsc.) 68, R. Beecroft (Fitz.) 65, M. Roach (Richm.) 64, C. Davis (Coll.) 62, G. Sidebottom (St.) 46, T. Daniher (Essen.), M. Blight (N. Melb.) 43, D. Cloke (Richm.), R. Glendinning (N. Melb.) 41, T. Morwood (S. Melb.) 41, M. Moncrieff (Haw.) 40, K. Sheldon (Carl.) 39, G. Wilson (Fitz.), R. Kink (Coll.) 36, B. Quinlan (Fitz.) 34, L. Thompson (S. Melb.) 33, M. Richardson (Fitz.), K. Bartlett (Richm.) 32.

### SOUTH AUSTRALIA

G. Hewitt (Woodville) 66, Evans (Port) 48, Carty (Woodville) 42, Luders (West) 41, P. Heinrich (Sturt) 40, Pierson (West) 38, Slattery (South) 37, Whelan (Sturt) 36.

## SANFL

WOODVILLE	2.3	7.3	12.10	18.12	120
NORTH ADELAIDE	3.2	5.8	6.12	8.16	64

GOALS: WOODVILLE: Roberts 7, G. Hewitt 5, Close 2, D. Hewitt, Sewer, Mildenhall, Darmody 1. NORTH: Barussi 2, Hill, B. Robran, Redden, Schlein, Pelle, Hay 1. BEST: WOODVILLE: Roberts, Maylin, Grambeau, D. Hewitt, Heaven, Davis, G. Hewitt, Sewer. NORTH: R. Robran, Cloke, B. Stringer, Pelle, Hill, B. Robran. Played at Woodville Oval, attendance 3,554.

GLENELG	1.5	7.8	13.11	19.15	129
WEST TORRENS	2.6	3.10	5.13	8.15	63

GOALS: GLENELG: Copping 5, Hodgeman, Cornes, McInerney, Weston 2, Marshall, Carey, MacVicar, Hurley, MacFarlane, Harrison 1. TORRENS: M. Hewitt 2, MacSparran, Lindsay, Jackman, Hill, Dabrowski, Azzopardi 1. BEST: GLENELG: Cornes, Carey, McInerney, Copping, Weston, Hodgeman, Lihou, Walter. TORRENS: Muir, Hill, Dabrowski, P. Cousins. Played at Football Park, attendance 6,132.

WEST ADELAIDE	4.3	9.7	14.10	19.13	127
PORT ADELAIDE	9.5	12.7	14.11	18.15	123

GOALS: WEST ADELAIDE: Luders 7, Pierson 3, Dunhill 2, Kennedy, Dunlop, Bennett, Borchard, Meuret, Papst, Morris 1. PORT ADELAIDE: Cahill 5, Belton 3, Evans, Cunningham, Clifford, Gill 2, Boyd, Abernethy 1. BEST: WEST: Kennedy, Dunhill, Summerton, Morris, Hayes, Luders. PORT: Cahill, Belton, Cunningham, Phillips. Played at Alberton Oval, attendance 7,604.

NORWOOD	3.4	8.6	11.8	13.14	92
SOUTH ADELAIDE	0.0	4.4	8.6	11.11	77

GOALS: NORWOOD: Rosser, Woodcock, Aish, Barton 2, Gallagher, Button, Thiel, Nicholson, Wynne 1. SOUTH: G. Brooksby 3, Linke 2, Fry, Hately, Bracegirdle, Butler, Bennett, Baynes 1. BEST: NORWOOD: Kerley, Button, Thiel, Nunan, Aish, Taylor. SOUTH: Hines, Baynes, Keam, Butler, Bennett, Clarke. Played at Norwood Oval, attendance 8,449.

CENTRAL DISTRICT	3.7	6.10	9.13	13.20	98
STURT	0.2	7.8	11.11	14.11	94

GOALS: CENTRAL: Wilson 4, Duckworth 3, Gillies 2, Lehmann, Mobbs, Beythlen, B. Norsworthy 1. STURT: Whelan, Bagshaw 3, J. Warren, P. Heinrich 2, Hunt, Downes, Davies, Sims 1. BEST: CENTRAL: Jonas, Mobbs, Gillies, Wilson, B. Norsworthy, Beythlen. STURT: Hardeman, Davies, Zilm, Howard, Wark, Coulls. Played at Unley Oval, attendance 10,327.

# PREMIERSHIP

Team	P	W	L	For	Agst	Pc	Pts
SOUTH FREMANTLE	17	13	4	2216	1726	128.38	52
CLAREMONT	17	13	4	2060	1675	122.98	52
EAST FREMANTLE	17	11	6	2077	1851	112.20	44
EAST PERTH	17	10	7	1942	1625	119.50	40
Swan Districts	17	7	10	1974	1896	104.11	28
Perth	17	7	10	1719	1770	97.11	28
West Perth	17	4	13	1541	2074	74.30	16
Subiaco	17	3	14	1492	2404	62.06	12

## W.A.N.F.L. RESERVES

Team	P	W	L	For	Agst	Pc	Pts
SWAN DISTRICTS	17	15	2	2409	1503	160.27	60
SOUTH FREMANTLE	17	13	4	2046	1963	104.22	52
CLAREMONT	17	11	6	2198	1643	133.77	44
EAST PERTH	17	9	8	2085	1683	123.88	36
Subiaco	17	8	9	1823	2093	87.09	32
Perth	17	8	9	1848	2162	85.47	32
East Fremantle	17	3	14	1754	2321	75.57	12
West Perth	17	1	16	1694	2488	68.08	4

## W.A.N.F.L. COLTS

Team	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pc	Pts
CLAREMONT	17	12	5	-	1472	1280	115.00	48
EAST FREMANTLE	17	11	6	-	1345	1189	113.12	44
EAST PERTH	17	11	6	-	1661	1472	112.83	44
SOUTH FREMANTLE	17	8	8	1	1343	1500	89.53	34
Subiaco	17	8	9	-	1481	1382	107.16	32
West Perth	17	8	9	-	1425	1415	100.70	32
Perth	17	6	11	-	1225	1358	90.20	24
Swan Districts	17	3	13	1	1201	1497	80.22	14

## V.F.L.

Team	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pc	Pts
CARLTON	15	2	-	2137	1527	139.9	60
NORTH MELBOURNE	13	4	-	1908	1718	111.1	52
FITZROY	12	5	-	2196	1701	129.1	48
COLLINGWOOD	11	6	-	1974	1484	133.0	44
ESSENDON	10	6	1	1807	1665	108.5	42
Geelong	9	8	-	1670	1683	99.2	36
Hawthorn	7	10	-	1896	1848	102.6	28
Richmond	7	10	-	1934	2023	95.6	28
Footscray	6	10	1	1593	1883	84.6	26
South Melbourne	4	13	-	1843	2144	86.0	16
Melbourne	4	13	-	1577	2192	71.9	16
St Kilda	3	14	-	1472	2139	68.8	12

## S.A.N.F.L.

Team	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pc	Pts
CENTRAL DISTRICT	11	5	1	1710	1676	50.5	23
PORT ADELAIDE	11	6	-	1664	1489	52.7	22
NORWOOD	10	7	-	1918	1523	55.7	20
SOUTH ADELAIDE	10	7	-	1527	1565	49.3	20
WOODVILLE	9	8	-	1709	1532	52.7	18
Sturt	8	9	-	1706	1734	49.5	16
North Adelaide	7	10	-	1628	1823	47.1	14
Glenelg	6	10	1	1573	1626	49.1	13
West Torrens	6	10	1	1501	1803	45.4	13
West Adelaide	5	11	1	1653	1817	47.6	11

## MINOR COMPETITIONS

### W.A.N.F.L. RESERVES

PERTH	4.5	7.8	14.13	19.15	129
SWANS	7.0	13.10	15.13	18.20	128

GOALS: PERTH: B. Shepherd, M. Doyle 2, Coleman, Liddlelow, King, Harris, Dowell 2, Stevenson, Newman, C. Shepherd 1. SWANS: McCutcheon, Edwards, Moody, Comerford 3, Dikoll 2, Chidlow, Richardson, Smith, Davies 1. BEST: PERTH: King, Coleman, Harris, Noack, B. Shepherd, C. Shepherd. SWANS: Comerford, Richardson, Reid, Moody, Beange, Henshall.

SOUTH FREM.	8.5	11.7	17.12	19.15	129
EAST FREM.	4.6	10.12	12.15	16.22	118

GOALS: SOUTH FREMANTLE: Hall, Loo 5, Vasoli, Bright 2, W. Hardie, Hankinson, Aghar, Lockyer, Ford 1. EAST FREMANTLE: Hoult 2, Shiosaki 3, B. Smith, K. Smith, Becu, Ryan 2, Malsey, Koch 1. BEST: SOUTH FREMANTLE: Loo, W. Hardie, Stokes, Vasoli, Hall, Ford. EAST FREMANTLE: Malsey, McPartland, Hoult, K. Smith, Ryan, Chatfield.

CLAREMONT	4.4	11.10	13.16	22.20	152
WEST PERTH	4.4	6.4	9.8	12.11	83

GOALS: CLAREMONT: Ralph 7, Lewis, Bownes 3, Watson, Vickers-Willis, Panizza 2, Daniels, Barnes, Minchcliffe 1. WEST PERTH: Rea 4, Wilson, Wright 2, Skehan, Stockley, Sheridan, Holden 1. BEST: CLAREMONT: Lewis, Ivanoff, Vickers-Willis, Ralton, Daniels. WEST PERTH: Sheridan, Rea, Clarke, Boyanich, McGuiness.

EAST PERTH	5.3	15.11	19.15	28.26	194
SUBIACO	4.6	6.7	12.11	13.11	89

GOALS: EAST PERTH: Fuller 6, Edwards 4, Curtis, Campbell, Webster 3, P. Hyde, Nisbett 2, Williams, Carr, Capriotti, Sparks, McNeil 1. SUBIACO: Loxley 5, O'Loughlin 3, R. Brown 2, Savage 2, Brown, Durmthaler 1. BEST: EAST PERTH: Fuller, Webster, Williams, Nisbett, Curtis, P. Hyde. SUBIACO: Loxley, Taylor, Savage, C. Brown, Lamb, O'Loughlin.

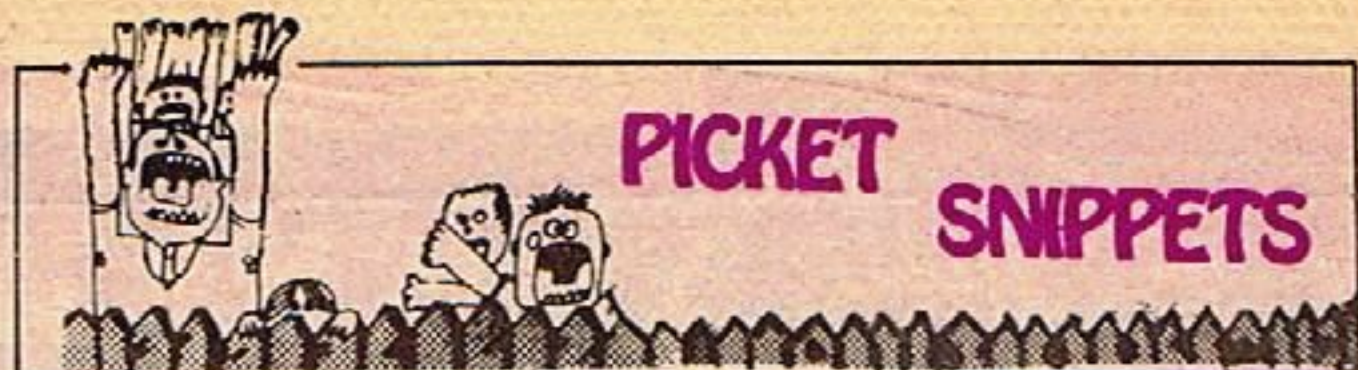
### W.A.N.F.L. COLTS

CLAREMONT 20.1





Ken Marshall . . . Subiaco's high-marking sensation



The security net that goes up around football teams before matches has often been questioned — particularly when it involves the switching of players, supposedly for tactical gain. Therefore, it was quite illuminating to hear West Perth coach Graham Campbell talking on the radio 6PR Players Panel about the nine-year-old boy who went into the West Perth rooms before last week's game against Claremont and 'divulged' the Tigers' team. "This little kid came up to me and said Moss was in the ruck, and Ditchburn at centre-half-forward", said Campbell. "I didn't know whether to believe him or not, but it certainly helped our pre-match thinking."

The name Kelleher is one that should soon make its mark again at Leederville Oval. Young Peter Kelleher is ready to come into the league side, going one step better than his father Gerry, who played reserves football with the club. There are two other Kellehers at West Perth also — older brother Greg is out of the reserves side at the moment with a finger injury and younger brother Cletus is currently playing under-age football, though he has been registered with the West Perth colts side.

Is Bradley Smith getting himself into shape for the finals? Smith's unexpected return to competitive football in the reserves side against South Fremantle last week could be seen as a precaution in case his big frame is needed for some tough final-round battles.

Subiaco 'part-timer' Tony Hall was in superb form against East Perth last Saturday, and his first-half effort almost certainly set up his team's surprise victory. Hall was playing only his fifth league game for the season — and only his 19th since his league debut in 1976 — and his marking was in fine touch. One of his early marks — a two-grab effort out in front of defender John Hayes — earned him the Pye mark-of-the-day on Channel 7's World of Football, collecting a \$500 freezer for the effort.

Footballers always come under notice when they reach milestones — but officials seldom receive recognition. Swan Districts stalwart Tom Rowlands has recently completed his 150th consecutive match as team manager for the league side.

North Melbourne's David Dench is a lonely sight on the training track at Arden Street yet every step he takes is a bonus.

Dench has missed nearly two seasons with a cruciate ligament tear in his knee and after breaking down again earlier this year looked to have finished his career.

At 20 he was the VFL's youngest ever captain back in 1971 but he will always be more fondly remembered for his magnificent dashing play in defence and his

ability to stream down field from full back and kick the occasional goal.

Dench has been told by his specialist that he could be playing within three weeks and is a chance to play in North's sixth consecutive finals series. He has been given the green light to run up to 15 laps and is expecting the OK to start light kicking next week.

With Dench in the North side and firing, the Roos would be a short priced favourite for the flag.

East Perth's man-of-all-missions, Mick Ray, is another player to reach the 150-game milestone — but he has done it with two clubs, Perth and East Perth. Ray did not feature in our series last week because of that situation, but none-the-less he deserves recognition for reaching the milestone that gives him a life pass from the WANFL. Ray played 88 games with Perth before moving to East Perth in 1974.

And talking about milestones . . . 250-game mark was passed by East Perth's Ian Miller last week. The versatile Miller has proved himself to be a top-class player, both in WA and Victoria and his games tally of 132 with Perth, 80 with Fitzroy and now 38 with East Perth confirms this.

East Perth and State defender Stephen Curtis probably had to set the alarm in order to get to Perth Oval in time for the reserves match against Subiaco last week. After all, it's about three years since he played a reserves match. Curtis and co-State player Grant Campbell both felt the wrath of coach Barry Cable for poor form when they were dropped to the reserves last week. He wasn't too happy when he arrived at the ground for the early match, especially when he even had to ask where the reserves players got changed. Curtis is certain to be back into league ranks this week — but the relegation could be costly. The 22-year-old Curtis is after the 150-game milestone this year — and he needs six games to go. That means he has to play in the remaining four qualifying games, plus two finals matches.

While some VFL officials may have been a little disappointed at the 17,000 odd crowd at the Sydney match a fortnight ago, they are surely not as uneasy as some of the Rugby League chiefs in NSW.

After the Richmond-Fitzroy game, former Australian Rugby Test captain Ian Walsh asked: "What the hell is going on with rugby league?"

"A Melbourne Rules game brought to Sydney because of some squabbling down there over Sunday Football, OUTDREW the Tests between Great Britain and Australia".

With a horrified expression he concluded "What a sad day for Rugby league".



South Fremantle's Mark Jackson . . . flat out as East Fremantle's Roger Crouch seems to be inquiring into the situation

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