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MELROSE PICKS A WINNER

Graham Melrose, the tough-as-nails rover, has no regrets about joining Swan Districts this year though somebody told him last season: "You'll be flogging your guts out every week up there for nothing."

Well, "Melly" has another story for that gentleman now: "I've picked an absolute winner in Swans."

He's not only talking about Swan Districts' on-field performance this season.

"It's a great club," he says.

"We've got a great bunch of guys at Bassendean and the club itself has been terrific."

Melrose intended staying in Victoria this season but loss of form and the approach by Swans John Cooper and Billy Walker persuaded him to change his mind.

"I thought it would be a bit difficult settling in at Swans, but it has been an absolute breeze," he says.

"I couldn't have asked for anything better."

The 1974 Sand-over Medallist says he felt it would have been harder to settle back with his old club, East Fremantle, than a new club.



He says the fact that Swans have been the underdogs influenced his decision.

Melrose loves a challenge and felt that he could help lift Swans in to a position of power. He's done it well.

By RAY WILSON

"It's been a case of 'Poor Old Swans' for too long. Now it's a case of 'Watch Out'."

"I thought it may have been pretty tough for the first month or so getting our game together but we've kept winning," the rover says.

Melrose says the aim of the players is to go through the season undefeated.

Melrose has another aim apart from helping Swans to their first flag since 1963.

He wants to play for another three seasons at Bassendean.

It makes a lot of sense. Swans have the runners and base their game on getting the ball moving at all costs. Melrose provides experience to the enthusiasm of the youth of the side.

He is playing so well at this stage that the State selectors must be giving serious consideration of picking him for the game against Victoria on July 5.

WA needs in-form players who have the background of VFL style of football and conditions and Melly certainly fits the bill.



If you thought your day at the football last Saturday was made miserable because of the weather, then spare a thought for these lovely girls.

The Claremont Tigerettes have become a popular attraction at Claremont's home games . . . and they went through their pre-game routine last week despite the wet weather.

For more beautiful pictures of football's beautiful girls, turn to the centre pages.

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Claremont's Darrell Panizza has the front seat . . . but he's hotly pressed by South Fremantle's Kevin Cornell.



ESCORT REPORT

A PROGRESS REPORT ON THE A.F.C. ESCORT CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

Well done Tigers

The long and arduous Claremont trail through the \$400,000 Escort Championship series has come to an end . . .

The Tigers bowed out of the competition on Tuesday night when they went down fighting to North Melbourne in the semi-final.

The 37-point loss came after Claremont had set the pace in the first half, leading by three points at the major change-over, but failing to keep with the 'Roos in the run home.

But Claremont's effort was a meritorious one.

They leave the championships with \$33,000 for marching through four tough rounds — downing East Perth, Subiaco, Geelong and then Hawthorn on the way.

It has been an interesting exercise as far as the Tigers are concerned. Their early-session Escort commitments saw the side reach a peak well before the other clubs and subsequently, there has been some mid-season form slumps.

But now that the worry of the Escort series is over, Claremont can start re-planning their premiership campaign.

1 March 3	Claremont 22.10 b East Perth 4.16	Leederville Oval
2 March 3	Subiaco 15.9 b Perth 11.14	Perth Oval
3 March 2	Hawthorn 18.13 b West Perth 11.15	Perth Oval
4 March 4	Melbourne 22.16 b Swan Districts 8.18	V.F.L. Park
5 March 11	North Adelaide 14.11 b Norwood 13.13	Adelaide
6 March 14	Glenelg 11.13 b Central District 6.8	Adelaide
7 March 8	St Kilda 19.6 b Sturt 8.11	V.F.L. Park
8 March 8	South Melbourne 10.16 b West Adelaide 7.18	Adelaide
9 March 11	Footscray 17.10 b West Torrens 12.3	V.F.L. Park
10 March 16	Queensland 15.17 b Tasmania 9.15	Tasmania
11 March 15	Richmond 20.17 b Woodville 9.3	V.F.L. Park
12 March 16	NSW 17.10 b A.C.T. 10.11	Sydney

SECOND ROUND

13 March 15	Claremont 16.20 b Subiaco 12.9	Leederville
14 March 18	Hawthorn 17.17 b Melbourne 14.4	V.F.L. Park
15 March 21	Glenelg 22.11 b North Adelaide 13.12	Adelaide
16 March 22	St Kilda 17.15 b South Melbourne 10.6	V.F.L. Park
17 March 23	Footscray 18.14 b Queensland 10.8	Brisbane
18 March 23	Richmond 17.19 b NSW 14.16	Sydney

THIRD ROUND

19 March 25	Claremont 10.13 b Geelong 9.14	V.F.L. Park
20 April 1	Hawthorn 20.20 b East Fremantle 4.11	V.F.L. Park
21 April 15	North Melbourne 9.16 b Glenelg 9.11	V.F.L. Park
22 April 29	St Kilda 16.11 b South Adelaide 13.11.	Adelaide
23 May 6	Collingwood 12.9 b Footscray 11.9	V.F.L. Park
24 May 13	Richmond 16.13 b Fitzroy 13.12	V.F.L. Park
25 March 14	Essendon 18.10 b Port Adelaide 12.14	V.F.L. Park
26 March 16	South Fremantle 23.19 b Carlton 9.12	East Fremantle

QUARTER FINALS

27 May 20	Claremont 12.12 Hawthorn 7.10	V.F.L. Park
28 May 27	North Melbourne 18.11 d St Kilda 13.11	V.F.L. Park
29 June 3	Collingwood 10.14 b Richmond 5.13	V.F.L. Park
30 June 10	Essendon 12.14 b South Fremantle 6.11	V.F.L. Park

SEMI-FINALS

31 June 24	North Melbourne 15.10 b Claremont 9.9	V.F.L. Park
32 July 1	Collingwood v Essendon	V.F.L. Park

GRAND FINAL

33 July 15	North Melbourne v winner of Match 32	
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Teams still queue up

Positions in the queue leading up to determine who plays Swan Districts in the ultimate game of the year have yet to be finally formed . . . and this will benefit the competition for the remainder of the season.

Last Saturday many expected Perth to virtually bow out of the race for final four honours. How wrong those people were.

The Demons handled the atrocious conditions far better than the Royals and East Perth's rather dismal performance will give Barry Cable some extra worries during his stay in hospital.

Perth clearly showed they cannot be written off, though few critics firmly believe they can make the four.

Stranger things have happened.

The Royals have been the inconsistent performers this season. Cable would like to see more prolonged spells of good games before his confidence rises sufficiently enough to say that East Perth is the team to knock-off Swans.

I believe they are, but the Royals will have to string a couple of top games together before they convince most people.

On current form, South Fremantle look the goods to play a role at Subiaco Oval in September.

TACKLING

Last week, the Bulldogs upset Claremont with fierce tackling (especially from Rioli and Michael), and found the front position easy to get against the out-of-form Tigers.

A big plus for Souths at the moment is the excellent form of Mick Moylan whose play slumped badly early in the season.

Moylan is providing bulky support for Michael, who looks like striking his very best form when it counts.

Souths can also take heart with the improvement shown by Joe McKay. Though the centre-half-back is still not fully fit, he is certainly approaching his best work.

Claremont, who will remember 1980 as the "Year of the Long Winter", can only get better.

The Tigers' season has been the busiest of any WA club because of their good performances in the Escort Championship.

West Perth continue to amaze the critics, the majority of whom say they are the side who will drop out of the four.

CRITICISM

Well, that's been said for the last month or so but West Perth refuse to accept the criticism — or maybe Graham Campbell gets the criticism working for him.

The way the competition is shaping, the clash between West Perth and East Perth on the last qualifying Saturday of the season could determine who plays in the first semi-final.

The Cardies, now with eight wins, will be looking to roll either Swans or East Perth within the next three weeks. A win against either side will go a long way in securing them the spot in the four.

The only sure thing that can be said about the competition is that East Fremantle and Subiaco will definitely not play in the finals.

The season should provide some tense excitement for supporters over the last nine rounds.



By RAY WILSON



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THE STRIKE MADE US APPRECIATE WRITERS

One thing the recent strike by journalists did was make us appreciate the efforts of our sporting writers, particularly in football.

We all missed the accurate Friday team placings and analysis of positions, the match reports and the mid-week build-up.

Sure, there was a football coverage in the Press. But it lacked the colour, flair and expertise we have come to expect from our regular footy journos.

Football-hungry fans must have made it a bonanza for Westside Football and the electronic media.

One feature that I didn't miss was the reporting of the after-match trophy presentation comments of officials and players.

I believe that the reporting of these comments has been directly responsible for the W.A.F.L. taking action and imposing fines.

There is no doubt in my mind, if the same comments had been made at a mid-week club function without reporters present, then there would have been no publicity and no fines.

I am not criticising the W.A.F.L. for taking action.

They have a regulation that officials and players are not permitted to publicly criticise umpires.

Obviously if an infringement comes to their notice, then, of course, they must enforce their regulation.

But, is an official speaking to his own members within his own club making a public statement?

People join football clubs because membership gives them the opportunity to whole heartedly support their team.

Members have the chance to join friends on training nights and at club functions and to hear all the little snippets of news concerning the club, even before Gary Carvolth.

One of the highlights for members is the opportunity to hear the club coaches, officials and players speak at the after-match presentations.

I believe, that if a club is firmly of the opinion that criticism of an umpire, or in fact, any facet of the game is warranted — then an official is entitled — and if he takes his position seriously, is obliged — to advise his members.

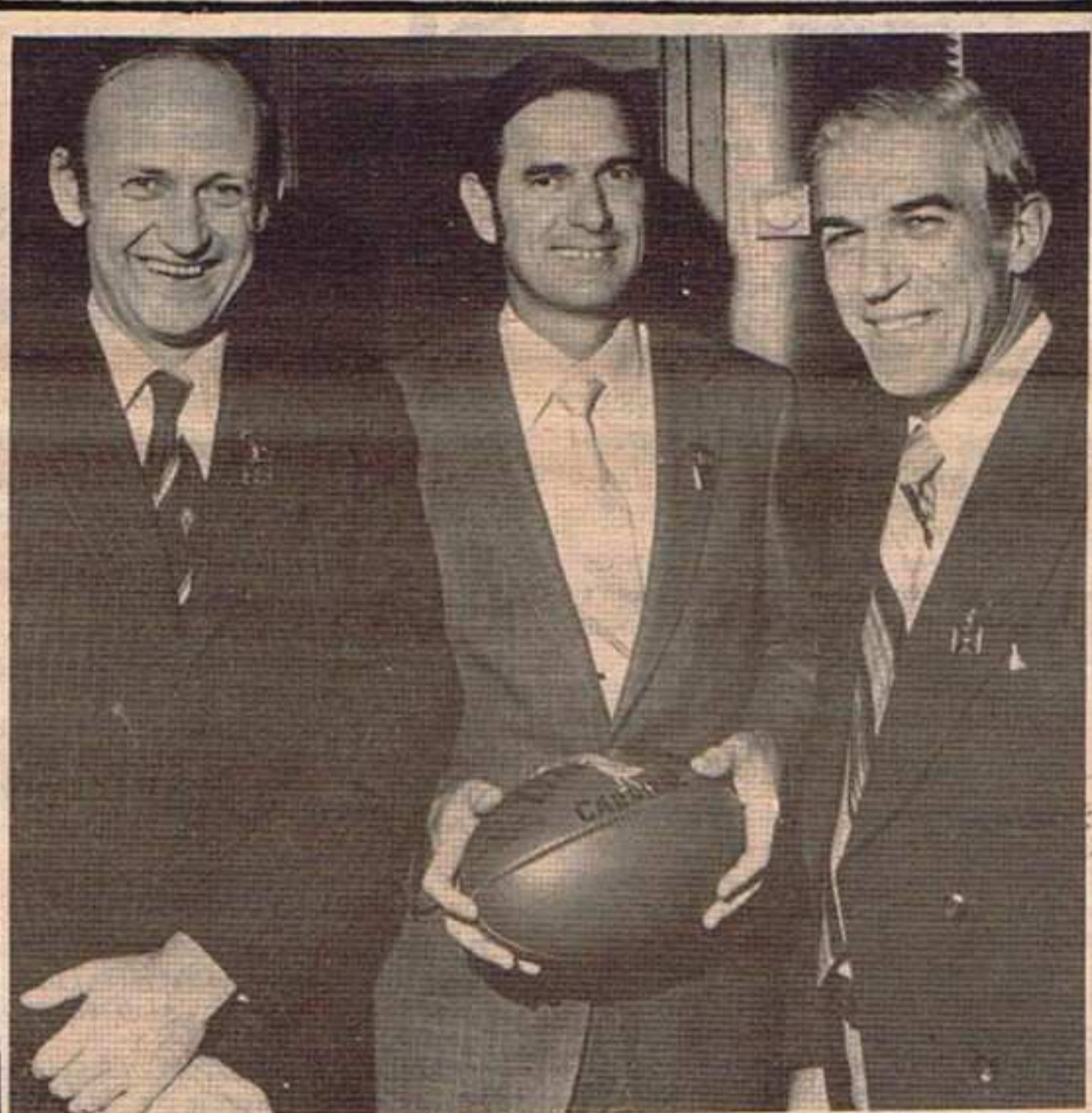
On the other hand, the members as shareholders of the club are also equally entitled to hear the views of their officials.

If, on an occasion, an official of the club steps over the bounds of propriety in his comments, then it is a domestic matter and the club should take its own disciplinary action. After all, the only people permitted in clubs are members and guests.

The members are fully entitled to hear the comments and the others are only privy to them by virtue of their guest status.

I am firmly of the opinion that such comments should only become public when quoted directly to a reporter.

Any coach, official or player should have the right to say "my comments were for members only and are not for publication".



There were smiles all round when WA's newly formed Football Media Guild held its inaugural function at WAFL Headquarters this week.

Town and Country Building Society executive Rod Lane (centre) — who is also a football writer with The Sunday Times — was the winner of a football at the function and he is flanked by Media Guild president Geoff Christian (left) and committee member Bob Miller.

Guest Columnist

Presented by McInerney Ford

THIS WEEK:

BRIAN THIRLEY

6PR

Commentator



IN DEFENCE OF SOUTH

A word in defence of my old club South Fremantle.

South have received quite a deal of publicity over the years regarding bad behaviour adjacent to their club.

The stories are quite often presented in such a way that the reader assumes the people responsible are South Fremantle members.

I know that on occasions during my time at the club, stories were presented in this fashion when no members whatsoever were involved.

South have long had a problem peculiar to their club of public access in front of the members area.

People wishing to leave the outer section of the ground before the end of the game have their access blocked until the players have left the ground.

The result is a build-up of public at the one place you don't want them, adjacent to the players exits.

Then, when an incident occurs it is assumed that South Fremantle members are involved.

It is a simple matter for a club to discipline members for bad behaviour by reporting them and, if warranted, remove their membership.

But remember, a club has no power to discipline members of the public outside their club premises, that is simply a job for the police.

There are many fine people as members at South Fremantle and it is a pity to see them tagged with a label they don't deserve.

LOBBY SYSTEM

One thing that never ceases to amaze me is the number of stories, that maybe critical of or detrimental to a club, that are actually made available by club members.

I don't only mean members who simply drink at the bar, but people directly connected to club affairs.

I suppose its all part of the lobby system to try and push and publicise a particular point of view.

However, these people do their club a great disservice.

Any member who is proved to have leaked private information, or acted in a way that is detrimental to his club should face expulsion.

However, the truth is that a good journalist never discloses the source of his information and so the Iscariats retain membership and club respectability.

REA'S STING

Tall West Perth ruckman Mick (Stinger) Rea had a strong influence on last Saturday's game against East Fremantle, kicking four goals and turning the tide for West Perth. But this wasn't the first time Rea has helped fire the Cardies. He often starts on the interchange bench and comes onto the ground in the latter half of the game and invariably, he is lining up the big sticks. Either it is an excellent tactic by master coach Graham Campbell, or it is about time the West Perth selectors found a permanent spot in the league team for Rea.

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Tigers, Magpies big drawcard

The figures are mind-boggling, but organisers hope to attract more than 100,000 spectators to the Richmond-Collingwood clash at the MCG this Saturday.

According to critics, all it seems to need is fine weather.

The two clubs drew a crowd of 92,436 to a qualifying game in 1977 and Saturday's match will get a big build-up from the Press.

Richmond are currently riding high with 11 consecutive victories but had to struggle last week to beat Essendon.

Collingwood, after a quiet start to the season, burst back into Premiership contention last Saturday with a resounding win over North Melbourne.

RECORD IN SIGHT

Geelong coach Bill Goggin, with the help from cousin Terry Bright, is all set to rewrite the football record books.

No coach has ever taken Geelong into the finals in his first year. But Goggin appears likely to do it.

The Cats share second spot on the ladder and this Saturday meet North Melbourne at Kardinia Park.

Last week it was a kick just before the siren that gave Geelong the points decision over Carlton after a tight game.

The winning goal was kicked by Goggin's cousin, Terry Bright.



PETER KEENAN

"CRACKERS" CRACKS-UP

"Crackers" (Peter to his Mum) Keenan has the reputation of being able to carry injuries.

He's played with several severe injuries that others wouldn't dream of taking the field with.

But last week Crackers was sidelined with a back injury that was caused in the most demure circumstances.

Keenan suffered a back injury as he was getting out of a chair following a phone conversation with an Essendon team official.

BARASSI APPEAL

Ron Barassi, never one to mince his words, made an Australian-wide appeal on the ABC show "The Winners" on Sunday night.

"Yes, we do want a rover," Barassi told the interviewer. "If anybody out there can rove, I don't care whether you're forty, come over and you'll most probably get a game."

North Melbourne, still serious contenders for the VFL flag, are desperately in need of a top-flight rover. Barassi is starting to sweat because the clearance deadline is only a few days away.



BARRY DAVIS

JOBS ON THE LINE

The jobs of four VFL coaches — David Parkin, Carl Ditterich, Bill Stephen and Barry Davis are on the line.

An average of four coaches a year have been axed in Victorian football in the Seventies, and there's no suggestion this trend will cease.

The two coaches who appear to be in most danger are Essendon's Barry Davis and Fitzroy's Bill Stephen.

Davis has made it clear that he will quit if his team fails to make the five.

In Melbourne, Stephen is known as football's Mr Nice-Guy but that doesn't count much if your side is not winning matches when it should be.

If Bill Stephen is given his marching orders, it will be the third time in 11 years.

BARGAIN PRICE?

Garry Sidebottom is the type of bloke who can't help but be in the news.

When he plays well, he's a star. When he goes bad, he doesn't do it in half measures.

After being dropped from the league side last week, Carlton officials were quick to approach St Kilda to get permission to speak with the volatile ruckman.

Initial talks broke down when St Kilda placed a \$250,000 price tag on the ruckman.

However, Carlton president Ian Rice is still interested in getting Sidebottom to Carlton and has arranged further talks this week.

His price — around the \$130,000 mark.

CENTURY FOR ROACH?

Michael Roach, Richmond's tall and vigorous full-forward, is heading for the century mark.

Roach only booted three last week but took his tally to 63 — 12 ahead of Fitzroy and former Swan Districts' player, Bob Beecroft.

He needs to average only four goals a game for the last nine qualifying matches to reach the ton.

Barring injury, Roach should achieve this and then go on to more success in the finals.

LOVELESS LOVES GOALS

Footscray — the dunce side in the VFL two weeks ago — have suddenly earned a glamour image.

Their 17-point win over South Melbourne last week severely dented the finals aspirations of the red-and-whites and their victory a week earlier over Fitzroy was yet another nail in the coffin of the Lions.

Footscray had been a sad and sorry sight at the bottom of the premiership table before those two wins — and with 11 straight losses, new coach Royce Hart wasn't really travelling well.

Hart is now confident that his young Bulldogs can win their share of the remaining nine games and though making the final five is a bit optimistic, he feels that Footscray can, at least, wield some influence on the competition.

One of the big reasons for Footscray's emergence is a 21-year-old by the name of Shane Loveless, who stands 6ft



SHANE LOVELESS

4½in and kicks goals like they are part of his daily routine.

Loveless booted 7.2 last week, following on from his 8.1 against Fitzroy and there's nothing better than seeing a star emerge in the glamour department of goalkicking.

Players want Kerley again

A special plea by players is likely to see Neil Kerley as coach of the South Australian side against the VFA on July 5 in Adelaide.

Kerley had earlier told the SANFL that he would not be available to coach on that day.

"I'm prepared to do it again because of the players' request," Kerley said.

"If the players hadn't asked me to continue, I wouldn't have entertained the thought of mucking up my plans."

Kerley had planned to watch the match between WA and Victoria on July 5 to get a guideline on the Vics for the State-Of-Origin series final in October.

VIVIAN RECORD

Central District's speedy wingman Peter Vivian wrote himself into the record books last week when he broke a club record of 215 games.

Vivian, who first played for his State in 1974 led Centrals onto the ground to play his 216th game.

SA has had a busy year of club record-breaking.

At Norwood, Roger Woodcock recently broke Robert Oatey's 232 game record.

Ralph Sewer, eclipsed by John Dimmer in the recent State match, is certain to break Rodney Allen's club record in the next few weeks.

At Port Adelaide, Russell Ebert with 259 games is closing in on John Cahill's club record of 267 games.

And Stuart Palmer, with 205 games under his belt, is not far off Craig Cock's 215 game record at South Adelaide.

VIC'S ACTIVE

Some Victorian talent scouts have slipped under the guard of a couple of SA clubs.

St Kilda scouts annoyed Central Districts' officials by signing ruckman



Darryl Cowie

Central coach Darryl Hicks made a scathing attack on St Kilda's methods. St Kilda also gained the signatures of South Adelaide's Wayne Slattery and Torrens' Doug Cox without first approaching the club for permission to talk to players.

DISPUTED DECISION

Umpiring decisions are really highlighted in South Australia — particularly when they are controversial ones affecting match results.

Norwood kept their finals hopes alive when they beat West Adelaide by one point last week . . . but it was a hotly-disputed point.

West Adelaide's Roger Luders took what appeared to be a mark near the Norwood goals, but it wasn't allowed and the ball was forced through for that vital winning point.

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FIRST CENTURY

Former Geelong full-forward Tim Evans, who has found a new lease of life in South Australia, is set to write his name in the record books.

Evans kicked six goals for Port Adelaide last week to take his tally for the season to 70.

He is now set to become the first Port player to ever boot 100 goals in a season.





• ROSS HUTCHINSON



• JERRY DOLAN



• ERN HENFRY



• PHIL MATSON



DAVE CLEMENT

Our longest serving coaches

Veteran South Australian coach Jack Oatey was in the news last week when an Adelaide newspaper suggested that he had established an Australian coaching record.

Oatey, who coached Norwood (1945-56), West Adelaide (1957-60), Sturt (1962-80), has established a 719 game career as coach. He has missed only one season (1960) in the past 35 years.

Though there appears some doubt that Oatey actually broke the record last week, there is no doubt that he is now undisputedly the record holder for having coached in the highest number of league games.

The argument raised last week was on the actual total of games amassed by the long time holder of the record, former Collingwood coach Jock McHale. Evidence put forward by two Eastern States historians suggested that McHale, in fact, only had 696 games to his credit. This meant, according to their figures, that Oatey had broken the record the previous season.

Regardless of these differences, the record appears destined to remain in fact for a very long time.

A challenge to the record from a West Australian coach seems very unlikely... they just don't last that long in WA.

This is how some of our coaches have fared over the years.

JERRY DOLAN in his 14 years in senior football as coach of East Fremantle and East Perth tallied up 299 games for 199 wins. Dolan was also in charge of East Fremantle's under age teams in 1942-3-4 where the record reads 60 games 39 wins.

In these years Dolan has the proud record of not missing the finals once, six times his team won the flag.

JACK SHEEDY in his 12 season coaching career, ten with East Perth and two with Old East, tallied 265 games, three of these were winning grand finals.

JOHN TODD, one of the few to coach three different league clubs, needs only two more years as coach to pass Dolan's Western Australian record. At the start of this season Todd's tally stood at 236 from his four years at South, four at Old East and his first three at Swans.

ERN HENFRY coached Perth for 11 years, the longest any WA coach has stayed with one club. In that time he amassed 242 games.

CLIVE LEWINGTON in his 10 years as coach, nine at South Fremantle and one at West Perth is credited with 222 games including four premierships.

HAYDN BUNTON (Jnr.) coached Swan Districts and Subiaco for 200 matches in his WA career. Now with 12 seasons as coach in Adelaide his tally would exceed 400.

ROSS HUTCHINSON'S 195 game career was spread over nine seasons with three different clubs Old East, West Perth and South Fremantle and resulted in a premiership for each of them, two in fact for South.

PHIL MATSON, regarded by many as the greatest of them all has the imposing record of 168 games for 124 wins (seven of them grand finals) in his nine and a half years at East Perth. Matson's two years as coach of Subiaco in 1913 and 14, brought one premiership from his 35 games making his total as a coach 203 games, 159 of them winners. (In the Matson era it was quite common to play only 15 qualifying games, hence Matson's low tally).



• JACK SHEEDY



• HAYDN BUNTON



• CLIVE LEWINGTON



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E. Perth . . 17½	E. Frem . . . 10
W. Perth . . 17	Subiaco. . . . 4

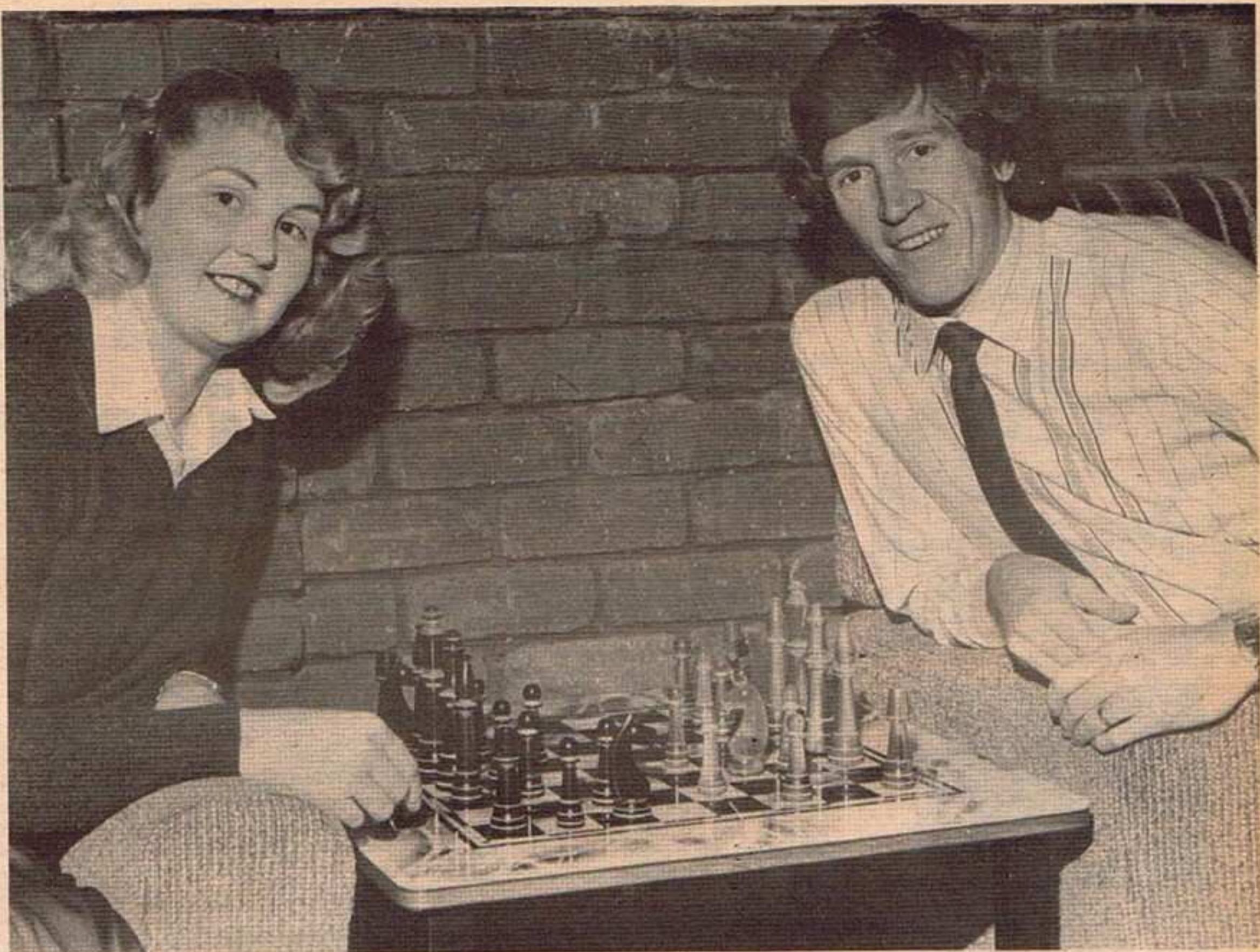
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 WEST PERTH, W, L, W, W, W, L, W, W, L, L, W, W v Swans at Leederville
 CLAREMONT, L, W, L, L, W, W, W, L, W, W, L, L v Subiaco at Subiaco
 SOUTH FREMANTLE, W, W, W, W, L, L, L, W, L, W, W, W v East Perth at Fremantle
 PERTH, L, W, L, L, W, W, L, L, L, W, L, W v East Fremantle at Lathlain
 EAST PERTH, W, L, W, L, L, W, L, W, W, L, W, L v South Fremantle at Fremantle
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1980 MARLBORO AWARDS

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ELLEN HAS MADE HIS MARK



Russell Ellen and his wife Geraldine battle it out over a game of chess.

Making the change from Victorian football to the WA scene is not as easy as a lot of people think.

West Perth's high-leaping ruckman Russell Ellen is one player who has successfully made the switch — but only through perseverance. There were times when he first came over here in 1978 when people felt that he just wasn't up to local league ranks — and he had a few games in reserves to justify that criticism.

But Ellen was confident of his ability to succeed; he knew he just had to survive the change, to acclimatise himself to the wide, open spaces of WA football and adapt to a faster-running game.

He has adapted and now he is not only a confirmed West Australian — with plans to settle here — but he is one of the first players picked at Leederville each week.

Ellen is a second-string ruckman; but he has the capacity to be a key player and fill a variety of roles in senior football. At present he is the back-up support man for Ben Jager, but his versatility gives West Perth the option of using him for any key roles that may become vacant.

A professional man — he is an electrical engineer — he has adapted to mixing both football and business and succeeding on and off the field.

This week ALAN EAST talked to Ellen about the difference between WA and Victorian football from a club point of view.

What led to your decision to move to WA?

Probably a combination of a lot of things, but mainly West Perth, who worked on me for more than two years. Kevin Bradley made the initial contact and the club kept on following me up and finally they got me interested.

How did West Perth get interested in you in the first place?

Through Des Tuddenham, actually, when he was my coach at Essendon. West Perth had played in an end-of-year carnival in Adelaide in 1975 when they won the premiership. Their officials went on to Melbourne in search of a ruckman because Bill Dempsey and Norm Knell were both due to retire. Tuddenham recommended me to West Perth, but as he was my coach at the time I never really knew how to take that — maybe he was trying to get rid of me!

You played 35 senior games at Essendon, over what period?

Over five years. It was hard to get a permanent position there, obviously, with players like Graham Moss and Simon Madden in the ruck. I played everywhere — full-back, centre-half-forward — you name it. I was just a fill-in man.

Where do you like playing best then?

I believe that I play my best football on the ball; I like the key positions, but I like the running around that playing in the ruck allows you.

What were some of the things you found hard to adjust to when you first came over?

The climate firstly. It is basically a different style of game due to the smaller type of players and you don't rely on the big mark as much; you rely on pace and it's a more open game. It's not as direct as Victorian football and there is a tendency to kick the ball sideways sometimes. There is a lot more run and the ball seems to be out in the open more. This extra running made it hard initially, particularly with the heat.

When you first came over here, you were up and down a bit and a few critics suggested you wouldn't make it. Did you ever think of going back to Victoria?

No, not at all. I knew I was going to

make it; I had plenty of confidence in myself. At the time, the team wasn't going too well and the coach wasn't giving me enough confidence in myself. But it was a matter of time.

What about the future?

I'd like to play till I'm well past 30 and then I'd like to do some coaching. I'd be interested in going to the country to coach. I've done a bit of coaching at a Melbourne College and I really enjoy it.

We see a lot of Victorians come over here and fail, partly because they were over the hill or about to be pensioned off by their clubs anyway. Do you see Victorian

clubs taking advantage of WA clubs in this way?

No, I don't think they take advantage of WA. It's almost the other way round. The clubs here see Victoria as their No. 1 recruiting ground and obviously with the money available and the incentives here, WA clubs haven't got the capacity to entice top names, so they can only go for the guys who are not getting a consistent VFL game every week.

You are a professional man, so how important is football to you, overall?

Work is more important because it's a long-term thing, but football is valuable and I try to combine both.

GOALS TALLY FARCE

The WAFL directors have produced one of the most puzzling decisions of all time — and it concerns the 'official' goalkicking ladder.

The directors have decided to 'cancel' the goals kicked by individual footballers the week the State team was away in Adelaide. They have followed the age-old procedure of suspending Sandover Medal voting when State teams are absent.

But while the Sandover Medal decision has been in force for many years, the goalkicking move is a new one.

The decision is rather ludicrous. What they are suggesting is that WA football will have two different goalkicking tables — the 'official' one tabulated by the WAFL which will be minus the June 14 goals and the 'unofficial' tables published by all major media, which will include ALL goals kicked in the season.

The motion to suspend goalkicking came from Swan Districts president John Cooper — who obviously felt that it would prejudice Simon Beasley's chances of topping the table as he was in Adelaide with the State side.

The motion was carried — with East Perth voting against it — but the directors should re-think the situation.

Another curious factor is that the WAFL does not have an 'official' goalkicking record.

Their figures are taken from the Football Budget, the league's official publication — but these figures come from The West Australian's published list on Mondays.



SIMON BEASLEY

Several years ago when there was a controversy surrounding goal tallies, the WAFL made it clear that they regarded The West Australian's list as the official record.

Now that has all changed. We will have to cope with two different goalkicking tallies. How ridiculous!

—ALAN EAST

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PLAYER PROFILE

Name: Russell Ellen
Born: Stawell, Central Victoria, 8.2.54.
Height: 6ft 3½in (191 cm)
Weight: 14st 7lb (92kg)
Lives at: Duncraig
Married: Yes
Wife's name: Geraldine
Children: None
Occupation: Electrical engineer
Favourite food: Just about anything
Favourite drink: Beer
Hobbies and relaxation: Sport, the beach and handyman work.
Football likes: The recognition and satisfaction of knowing that you have played well.
Football dislikes: The spite that is coming into the game at times.
Idols in football: Geoff Leek, a big Essendon ruckman, I met him as a young boy and I followed Essendon from then on.
Hard things in football: The time demands.
Ambitions: To play till I'm 30 and then coach.
Nickname: None
Guernsey No.: 15
Came from: Essendon
League debut: West Perth 1978; Essendon 1973.
Games played: West Perth 48, Essendon 35

HOYER MAKING A BIG IMPACT

Craig Hoyer is a big young man with a big heart.

The 19-year-old Hoyer recently thrived on one of the biggest moments in his league football career when, in Ron Boucher's absence, he was promoted to lead the Swan District's ruck.

And Hoyer did not let his team or coach, John Tood, down.

The young Swans giant was rarely beaten either at the centre bouncings or the tap-outs around the ground.

Hoyer commenced his football career as a 10-year-old with the Redcliffe club and moved up through the juniors as a player with a definite future.

The R & I Little League competition can claim some success for Hoyer as he was a member of the original Swan Districts Little League team.

In 1975, Hoyer was selected in the State Schoolboys side to go to Adelaide. In 1977 he pulled on a black-and-white guernsey for the second time in his career and ran onto Bassendean Oval as a raw-boned lanky 16-year-old colts player.

Four weeks later, towards the end of the season, Hoyer was promoted to the reserves competition. Then, in the next season, he made his league debut as a 17-year-old and started on the bench. "I will never forget that day" he says with a tinge of pride in his voice.

"We were playing Perth at Basso and we hadn't won too many games that year — but we won that one."

Who knows whether this was an omen, but now the bulky blond-headed ruckman is a regular face in the league side that has proved itself to be the strongest in the competition this year.

Apart from junior coaches Ben Woods and Max Fitzsimmons, it is not surprising to hear that Hoyer has formed a close association with coach Todd.

After all, they arrived at Bassendean in the same year.

"He has given me the chances and you can't do more than that", says Hoyer, who also nurtures a deep respect for his captain, Stan Nowotny — not only for the way he plays the game, but for the way he approaches it.

And as for the game itself — "I love football it's my life", he says. "Take for example last week — I couldn't wait for the game to come along."

With \$20,000 within Swan's easy reach, I asked Hoyer if he thought the team had earned it.

"It took a lot of hard work to get where we are", he says emphatically.

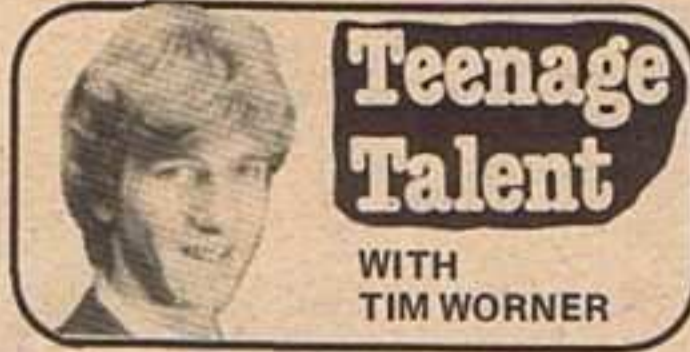
Todd can take a lot of the credit.

Hoyer believes that Todd has got Swans running like a well-oiled machine.

"The club has been down in the dumps, but we have worked on building a new image," he said.

Hoyer's own future seems bright.

"I think everyone wants to play V.F.L."



football, — I do" he says.

"I have been approached, but nothing has eventuated as yet", he said.

Hoyer believes that Victorian football is superior to our own. "Their balance, marking and the way they conquer the bad conditions is magical", he says.

Hoyer believes that South's Stephen Michael is probably the best ruckman he has played against because he is big and fast.

The young star can see no way Swans can lose the premiership.

"The way we are playing at the moment and our attitude to the game all spells premiership", he said.

Surprisingly Hoyer thinks East Perth are the best of the rest and will line up against Swans in the grand final.



Craig Hoyer

BENNETT'S BURST



John Todd, who occupies probably the most envied position in WA football — is facing the biggest challenge in his long and impressive football career in this State.

He can be likened to a prospector who, after years of endeavour, has finally hit pay dirt . . . the only problem facing him is getting it safely into the bank.

There is little doubt that Todd has developed the best football team in this State, but that doesn't guarantee a premiership.

There have been football teams equal to Swans over the years who have not been able to go on and win the premiership after dominating the qualifying rounds.

A glance at the record books, in fact, shows that the best team in the qualifying rounds as often as not fails to win the pennant.

The most notable example in recent years was Claremont who won 18 of their 21 qualifying games in 1972 but failed in the finals, in blustery and wet conditions.

Swans could conceivably win every match up until the grand final and lose the

one that counts most, which means they would not receive recognition for their outstanding performances during six months of the year.

It highlights a situation that has developed in Australian Rules football that I consider unfair . . . yet I doubt will ever be rectified.

Even though the team heading the qualifying rounds will pick up \$10,000 from Town & Country, it does not compensate for a premiership.

In Britain and the United States, systems have evolved in soccer, grid-iron and baseball where there is a strong emphasis on recognising the best teams during the course of the season.

The point I am making is that it has become a fact of Australian Rules football life that the best team does not always get its just reward.

That must be a nagging thought at Swan Districts at the moment. To know you have the best team in the competition, yet wondering whether some cruel blow . . . an off day, injuries or adverse conditions, will steal the premiership from you.

Todd is realistic enough to know that the unpredictable is part and parcel of football. That is probably why he is not allowing himself to get carried away with Swans performances this season.

He is taking matches on a weekly basis, which is wise as it would be very easy for him to already start planning for the finals, which no doubt many at Swans are already doing.

Todd's sober approach to football is sure to insulate the team from complacency or over-confidence.

There seems little doubt that he will do everything possible to eradicate any human failing that may deprive the side of the premiership this season.

It remains to be seen whether that will be enough.

ROBERT BENNETT



Australia's first female football critic . . .

MOTHER BROWN

Last Saturday's terrible weather showed me who the "real people" of football are. I'm talking about the spectators.

All the critics said what an awful day it was for players and umpires but what about the people who go along in all conditions to see their side play.

I was amazed to see parents with two or three kiddies, battling against the wind and rain to try to find a sheltered spot.

And that brings me to my next point . . . the shelter facilities at most grounds are not good enough.

The lean-to type sheds still allow the wind and rain in. I believe that people who pay their \$3 each week to go to the footy should be catered for in a better way.

CONGRATULATIONS

Big congratulations to John Todd and his team for winning the Marlboro \$20,000.

It was a mighty effort to win 12 in a row but I bet there was a bit of finger-biting going on in the last quarter when Subiaco got close.

While everybody has rubbished Subi this year, I say, "Well done Lions," for a big effort last week.

GET WELL BARRY!

I wish Barry Cable a speedy recovery from his operation on his infected leg.

And I know that football supporters, not only at East Perth, would all like to see Barry back coaching as soon as possible.

Barry must have been disappointed with his side's performance against Perth.

I imagined that it would have been the ideal time for East Perth to play well. Their courageous coach was in hospital again and it was the perfect opportunity to show him what they thought about him.

But don't worry Barry, I still reckon that East Perth will play in the finals.

PAUL'S DAY

Back to that wet day again. We have got to expect them, after all, football is a wet-weather sport and rainy days have got to be expected from time to time.


Though it was one of the worst Saturdays I can remember, I was a little disappointed that most players failed to adapt to the conditions.

Footballers should be good enough to change their style of play to suit the conditions.


The weather did show coaches that some players who would be classed as average players can excel when the going gets really tough. In the match that I saw, Paul Vasoli topped the bill.

Cheers,

EILEEN BROWN



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GOALS!

Dynamic Perth forward Peter Bosustow must look forward to the World of Football show on TVW7 on Sundays — it is proving to be quite profitable for him. Last Sunday he took off his third Town and Country goal-of-the-day cheque for \$100 for a brilliant goal in the game against East Perth. Bosustow was running goalwards about 40 metres out when he soccered the ball to see it find a magical way between two or three players' legs, bounce several times and cross the line for a major.

Bosustow's Perth team-mate Allan Montgomery seemed to make light of the heavy conditions on Saturday. His four goals — the highest tally of the day, equalled by Bosustow and West Perth's Michael Rea — were all good dry-weather type goals. He kicked three from set shots and one from a snapshot.



Garry Buckenara

Subiaco's Gary Buckenara produced an 'impossible' goal in the game against Swan Districts. He was running into the right forward pocket at the Bassendean end when he screwed the ball back over his shoulder to bring up Subiaco's fifth and final goal. People sitting in the grandstand right behind Buckenara claim that there wasn't room for the ball to fit through the goalposts from that angle!

South Fremantle's Maurice Rioli scored what would have been considered a brilliant goal in dry conditions when he brought up his side's third goal in the first quarter. The ball had come off hands from a scuffle in the centre square, Rioli swooped on the ball with a great one hand pick-up, headed goalward and after one bounce directed the ball straight through the centre, making an allowance for the strong cross wind.

Phil Krakouer, who kicked all of his side's goals against South Fremantle, scored easily his best for the day in the dying minutes of the last quarter. After battling through a pack, he gained possession of the ball, then ducked and turned out off trouble twice, losing balance on the second occasion, then after regaining his footing snapped from 45 metres.

GOLDEN BOOT

Simon Beasley (Swans)	48.36
Warren Ralph (Claremont)	46.19
Peter Bosustow (Perth)	43.27
Doug Simms (Perth)	37.29
Rod Alderton (West Perth)	37.22
Ken Judge (East Frem.)	35.24
Peter Munro (Subiaco)	30.19
Ian Williams (Swans)	30.22
Noel Carter (South Frem.)	27.20
John Nolan (East Perth)	25.16
Jim Krakouer (Claremont)	25.21

TALENT RUNS IN NEESHAM FAMILY

When the gods directed abundant rays of good fortune to fall on WA during our anniversary last year — they must have kept at least one special sunbeam to grace the Neesham boys in 1980.

Harry, David and Gerard have all achieved outstanding sporting success this year.

Harry Neesham (35) coached the WA State amateur team to their first-ever victory over Victoria two weeks ago; Gerard (25) has highlighted a superb football season with selection in the WA State team and David (33) is the captain of the Australian water polo team for the Moscow Olympics.

The WA State amateur football team followed up their victory over South Australia in Adelaide last year with their first win over 'the Big V' in the 60-year history of the competition.

The local team beat Victoria by 13 points in a game which sent the Victorian selectors scuttling back to the drawing board. Harry, in his third year as coach, was jubilant at the win.

"We were just beaten by Victoria last year and they sacked their coach immediately afterwards because we pushed them so close.

"Heaven knows what they'll do now," he said. The South Australian amateur team will be playing in Perth on July 12.

Harry, a former State and East Fremantle champion, only coaches the State amateur team in the WAAFA.

"I have nothing to do with any of the individual sides," he says. "That way I cannot favour players from one team."

TOP FORM

Youngest brother Gerard has been in sizzling form with Swan Districts this year. A skilful ruck-rover, he is one of the early favourites for the Sandover Medal. His State team selection is a fitting tribute to his consistently top-class play.

However, it was only two years ago he was thinking seriously about playing in South Australia.

A border-line player with East Fremantle, it was made clear to him that he had only a mediocre career at best ahead of him with the blue-and-whites.

A chance meeting with Simon Beasley brought him up to Bassendean last year.

"Simon told Toddy I was looking for somewhere to go. I've never looked back since," he says.

Beasley, Gary Buckenara and Neesham, (all selected in the WA team to play South Australia), were State team-mates in amateur ranks four years ago.

David Neesham and the water polo team has left for a whirlwind European tour before the Olympics in July.

The water polo team plays in Yugoslavia, Italy, Switzerland, Greece, Spain and Holland before Moscow.

At the last Olympics in Montreal, where David also captained the water polo team, Gerard was a reserve in the side.

CONFUSION

The five West Australians in the team have experienced a lot of confusion over whether they should attend the games or not.

"I believe the AOF should have boycotted the Olympics," says David.

"Sport is political in 1980 — there's no avoiding it.

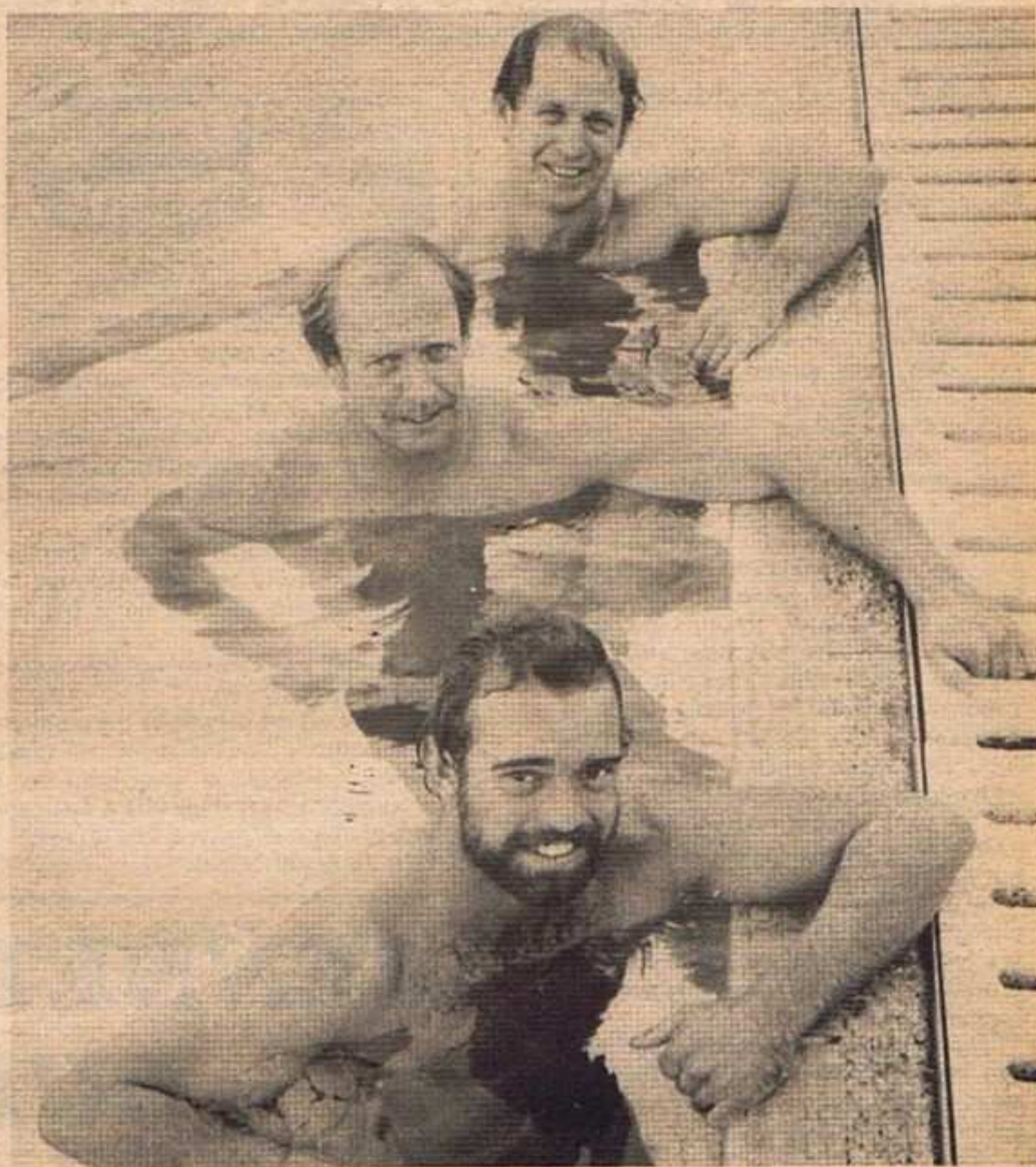
"We should have told Malcolm Fraser that we wouldn't go. But in return, we wanted some money invested in sport.

"This year we've had more than any before — about \$300,000 — but Cuba received \$120 million."

Although Gerard is the youngest of the present crop of Neeshams, there are 30 grand-children poised to carry on the famous sporting family tradition.

"We have been exclusively water polo and football up till now," says Harry.

"Maybe we'll include a few other sports in the future."



The Neesham brothers (from the bottom) footballer Gerard, water polo star David and amateurs coach Harry.

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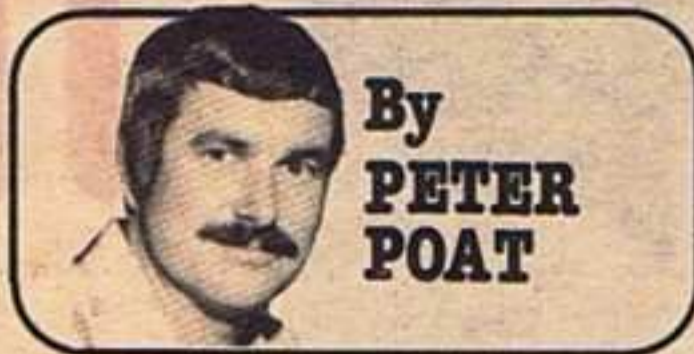
This would be the upshot, if a proposal being prepared by one of Perth's stations is accepted by the league.

The station is currently preparing a submission which would result in two stations having to end their direct commentaries and around-the-ground match services.

In turn, the remaining station would have exclusive rights. It plans to have at least one commentator at every match, with a central team of two or three commentators at what the station pre-selects as "game-of-the-day".

This match would be broadcast in similar fashion to current games until such time as one or more of the other matches develop into better contests.

When a match pattern developed, commentary would alternate between the



By
PETER POAT

best matches, mingled with regular reports from other games.

The plan would mean that the only commercial station with football coverage would be able to provide non-stop football action. The situation which exists under the present set-up means that stations are sometimes forced to broadcast matches which are effectively "all-over" by half time.

Under the new scheme, which has operated in South Australia for some time, the league would have to completely cut ties with the other commercial stations.

It is believed that the submission is expected to be made to the league accompanied by a huge cash offer - far exceeding the amount the league now gets from combined radio station broadcast fees.

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GARY'S GOSSIP



Mick Jez, the former East Fremantle and controversial "stormy petrel" of W.A. league football, is in the news again, this time in Victoria. Mick is rumoured to be one of three players that Carlton have offered to swap in return for the services of Garry Sidebottom. I know "Sidey" has been in the football doldrums of late, but he still possesses enormous reserves of strength and ability and the Blues are desperate for a big strong forward. See if I am right.

PS! I don't think that Garry and Saint's coach Alex Jesalenko see "eye to eye" either.

One of football's hardest working personalities is WAFL General Manager, Peter Bowler. Peter has just returned from an exhausting week-long trip to Melbourne and Sydney - mainly looking at improved facilities for the football public. The Sydney Cricket Ground have spent a fortune on upgrading their complex, not only for the public, but also for the sponsors. As you well know, the WAFL are in the throws of spending a fortune on upgrading our league headquarters, Subiaco Oval, for all and sundry. I will tell you of some of their plans in the next week or so.

Here's one of the most guarded and secret rumours in the sportsworld at the moment. The all powerful "Dunlop Company" will spend a small fortune on Australian Rules promotion next season. Their first and primary target area will be football boots.

My big rumour of the week is that Claremont plan to appoint Graham Farmer as coach in 1981. I know it sounds hard to believe, particularly as "Mossie" has done a pretty good job of "Tigerland". However, my information is that the Claremont hierarchy believe that the "off-field" knowledge, knowhow, cunning, guile, experience, call it what you will of Graham "Polly" Farmer will complement the "on-field" playing ability of super star Graham Moss. Farmer, of course, has established some ties in recent times with the Tigers with a son playing in the reserves. And of course Polly does work for Claremont fanatic (both emotionally and financially) Dennis McInerney of McInerney Ford.

One of my favourite people is currently recuperating from yet another operation in Royal Perth Hospital.

I refer to the legendary Barry Cable. "Cables" spoke to me last Saturday on 6PR from his hospital bed. I had asked him when his medical advisers thought he would be out of hospital and on the job again. "They told me up to six weeks, but I will be back before then," said Cable. I respect people who motivate themselves and in turn others and Cable is one of the best. I will bet money now that "Cables" is back in business before six weeks has elapsed too. What a great example Barry Cable is for our new generation - namely children and indeed for us.

Finally a few short snippets: South's Brad Hardie has "allegedly" signed with Richmond.

Subiaco's Brad Lohar being wooed by a number of VFL clubs, but in the future I think his next coach will be Ron Barassi and his new club, Melbourne.

Big football "Media upheavals" next season, but more about that later.

Mal Brown will write his autobiography before the end of the season.

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JUNE 22	West Australian	Sunday Times	Sunday Independent	Weekend News	TVW7	6PR	6PM	6IX	Umpires
Swan Districts v Subiaco	Geoff Christian: Melrose (SD) Hamilton (S) Blackaby (SD)	Rob Bennett: Buckenara (S) Hamilton P. Narkle (SD)	Kevin O'Brien: Blackaby P. Narkle Gepp (S)	Peter Sweeney: Hamilton Melrose P. Narkle	John Rogers: Melrose Gepp P. Narkle	Peter Van Helden: Buckenara Solin (SD) P. Narkle	John O'Connell: Melrose Blackaby Hamilton	Roley Daw: Lamb (S) Melrose Blackaby	Lendich/Morris
Claremont v South Fremantle	Colin Hopkins: Hunter (C) Rioli (SF) N. Carter (SF)	Rod Lane: Rioli Betts (C) Outwaite (SF)	Bob Cribb: Rioli Hunter Moylan (SF)	Doug Young: Carter Vasoli (SF) Vigona (SF)	Kevin Murray: Rioli Hunter N. Carter	Oscar Howard: N. Carter Mountain Hunter	Colin Hopkins: Hunter Rioli N. Carter	Laurie Nugent: N. Carter Rioli Hunter	Capes/O'Reilly
East Perth v Perth	A. Carew-Reid: Cook (P) Frost (P) Bosustow (P)	Law Nathan: Otway (EP) C. Shepherd (P) Cook	Julian Stawell: Cook Frost Allen (EP)	Robbie Burns: Cousins (P) Spencer (EP) Johnson (P)	Marty McDonnell: Cook Cousins Allen	Bob Hicks: Bosustow Cook Inman (P)	Joe Fanchi: Inman Bosustow Cook	Phil Mulcahy: Otway Tschirpig (P) Cook	Buckey/Hearne
East Fremantle v West Perth	John Sheterline: Fitzsimmons (WP) Gibbs (WP) Rea (WP)	Geoff Worner: Sims (EF) Dobson (EF) Gibbs	Rob Inder-Smith: Gibbs LeCras (EF) Peake (EF)	Paul Simpson: Dobson (EF) Gibbs LeCras	Steve Marsh: LeCras Fitzsimmons Gibbs	Percy Johnson: Watling (WP) Ellen (WP) LeCras	Allan Stiles: Gibbs Fitzsimmons LeCras	Neil Garland: LeCras Fitzsimmons Ellen	Ball/Powell

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SWAN SPOT THE TIGER

The days of the cheer squads have changed a little in recent times . . .

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SUNDAY SCENE



Kelmscott serve a warning

Kelmscott have served up a clear warning for South Suburban-Murray premiership hopefuls — don't write them off!

Two victories in the last three weeks over the top sides Mandurah and Canning have confirmed that nothing is beyond this side, who proved their superiority last year with a premiership.

If it wasn't for their inconsistency — such as the loss to Kwinana two weeks ago — they would probably be red-hot favourites for the flag.

It is Kelmscott's ability to win tight matches that makes them such a formidable opponent. Last week they downed Canning by four points and though they lost to Kwinana by five points, that could have been considered unlucky as they did everything right except be in front at the final siren.

Kelmscott's form has been highlighted by some sparkling roving from Alan Griffiths and he led a strong following division in the successful campaign against Canning, a side renowned for their runners and mobility.

Canning held sway in the ruck, with big Bob Becu hitting top form and that should be a significant factor in their clash this week with Kwinana.

Kwinana found Mandurah too tough last week and though they had key players like Tim Cullinane and Barry Cooper in fine form, they could not go the distance with the league leaders. However, at home this week they should be able to test Canning.

Kelmscott have the chance to earn some consistency ratings when they are at home to Kenwick, who recorded a comfortable victory over Armadale and are lingering in fourth spot with the potential to stay there.

The cut-throat battle for the top five saw Mandurah break a game clear over Canning and Maddington, and Kwinana slipped a game behind — so their clash with Canning assumes total importance this week.

Maddington's big ruckman David Glendinning continues to dominate and they should account for Rockingham, down at Rockingham.

Kalamunda have the unenviable task of hosting Mandurah, who saw Glen Hurst



Ray Witt... Kelmscott's top goalkicker

back to his best last week. Kalamunda pushed Maddington for most of last week's game and a repeat of that form should make this a tough encounter.

Gosnells should account for Armadale, at Gosnells, and Thornlie clash with Willetton, at the Willetton Sports Ground, to decide who should head the lower-order of the table.

Thornlie won last week and if they can put back-to-back victories together for the second time this year, their confidence will soar.

SUBI UNHAPPY

Subiaco players were far from happy in the changerooms after the match against Swan Districts... but it had nothing to do with their performance on the ground.

In fact, Subiaco put up one of the best games played against Swans this season. The source of complaint was the conditions of the changerooms, especially the showers.

Appointed spokesman for the players, Fred Davenport, said he had to run around for an hour in the shower to get wet. He said only a couple of showers worked and the bath was full of beer cans.



Terry Enright... a Kalamunda stalwart



Bad kicking hits Mt. Lawley

Inaccurate kicking in atrocious conditions last Saturday has placed Mt Lawley once again in the hot seat in fourth position.

University (a good return to form) and Collegians are only one game behind and both appear to have easier games in this week's W.A.A.F.L. 'A' League than Mt Lawley who face up to second team Old Wesley.

Results of last week's games: Nollamara 6.10 d Collegians 3.7; University 12.12 d Carlisle 5.2; Old Wesley 12.18 d C.B.C. 3.4; Wembley 7.6 d Mt Lawley 5.15; Maylands 9.12 d Bayswater 4.8.

University meet Bayswater at East Fremantle Oval. With a much-needed moral boosting effort last week, Uni appear too strong and will have to win well to pick up valuable percentage.

Bayswater, while their 'A' Colts and reserves teams are more than consistent winners, have not put it together in their league team.

C.B.C. and Carlisle battle it out at Carlisle Reserve and victory for the winner will mean holding eighth place and should ensure themselves 'A' league ratings in 1981.

Nollamara should continue on their way against Maylands at Bassendean Oval. In what appears to be one of the two games of the day, Wembley play Collegians at Claremont Oval.

Collegians must win to have any hope of playing in the 'A' finals for the first time since the late 60's.

They have the skilled players required but must produce form against top teams more consistently.

In the other top clash, Mt Lawley must counter Old Wesley's run-on game at the wide Perth Oval to have any chance of victory.

The Hawks cannot afford to put in another inaccurate kicking display against the methodical Old Wesley team, which is full of youngsters.

In the 'A' Colts the top four teams are Mt Lawley 32; Nollamara 32; Wembley 28; Collegians 28.

In the various divisions only 10 teams remain undefeated after 11 games, Nollamara ('A'); Nth. Fremantle ('B' Colts); Morley ('C'); Forrestfield ('D' Colts & 'G'); Innaloo ('E'); St Norbets ('H'); Lynwood ('I'); Coolbinia-Yokine ('J'); Melville ('K'). The young Coolbinia-Yokine team is under the guidance of former State and West Perth league star Keith London.

VENUE CHANGE

The inter-state amateur match between Western Australia and South Australia on Saturday July 12, is now to be played at Leederville Oval (not Subiaco Oval as previously advertised).

MILLER MOVE

Want to hear a whisper... Ian Miller is shifting camp! But it is the business side of Miller that's moving, not his football career. The East Perth captain is opening a branch of the family sports shop at Booragoon. Millers Sports in Victoria Park is one of the best in the business and Booragoon fans will soon have the veteran defender in their midst.

JUNIOR KING

Young Tim McMahon is king of the junior castle — after all, there are not too many 12-year-olds around who have passed the 100-game milestone. Tim has done it in real style for the Marist club in the Subiaco district. Tim began his football career as a six-year-old with Woodlands and has developed into one of the most promising players in his age-group. He fills the centre-half-back position in the Marist 12s side, coached by well-known Subiaco-Floreat cricket stalwart, Dave Phillips.



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JUNIOR QUIZ

MATTHEW SULLIVAN might live a long way away from the WAFL scene... but he's right on the ball when it comes to our Westside Junior Quiz.

Eight-year-old Matthew, of Capel, was the first correct entrant selected from our barrel last week to answer the questions in Quiz No. 11. The questions were quite simple - but there was one slight trick - how many games had WA captain Brian Peake played. Well, the answer was 11, because the question was dated Friday, June 14 - a day before he played his 12th, of course.

Matthew, a keen Claremont fan, wins a Chesson football in Tiger colours and an Adidas bag.



THE ALL-AUSTRALIAN TEAL CUP TEAM

BACK ROW: Michael Cockie (WA), Scott Sutcliffe (Tas), Tim Derrico (Vic), Robert Fraser (SA), Darel Hart (SA), Steve Flintham (Qns.)

MIDDLE ROW: Paul Roos (Vic), Andrew Evans (NSW), Glen Rogers (WA), Martin Sloane (Vic), Rhett Baynes (WA), Danny Hughes (SA), Bernard Toohey (Vic), Hilton Kotzur (NSW).

FRONT ROW: Peter Davidson (WA), Mitchell Gray (NSW), Geoff Nourse (NT), Alan Stewart (coach, SA), John Platten (SA), Dario Postai (ACT), Trevor Malcolm (WA).



Teal Cup... 'A showpiece of junior football'

By John Warren, National Director of Coaching

The highly successful Teal Cup Championships have undoubtedly become the culmination of the efforts of the best junior footballers prior to their entering the senior arena.

The situation is best described in N.F.L. President, Dr Allen Aylett's message in the official program for the recent Perth series.

He said, "these Championships have now developed into a true showpiece for the highest echelon of junior football. The standard of play and examples of discipline, dedication and sportsmanship are a true reflection of the ever improving image of Australian football throughout the nation."

In winning their third successive championship the South Australian team has set a very high standard, not only in football ability, but in general presentation and behaviour. It is now up to the other states to try to match the most professional attitudes of the "Croweaters". This will be a much easier task for Victoria and Western Australia than for the "developing states", who naturally find it difficult to compete against the "big three".

Perhaps the most pleasing aspect of the Perth series from a N.F.L. viewpoint was the very much improved performances of the N.S.W. team which finished fourth with two wins and a loss. The loss was to a powerful Victorian combination which was able to convert more easily to goals after their forward thrusts. Like other developing states N.S.W. found it difficult to finish off very promising movements with major scores. Territorially most of the developing states teams put in great performances - even when defeated by wide margins.

Another pleasing feature of the teams from Queensland and the Northern Territory was the number of representatives who came from outlying areas. Conversely,

the N.S.W. team contained seven players from metropolitan Sydney - a record - and one from a real Australian football outpost in Gosford. This fine mover, Mitchell Gray, was selected as one of N.S.W.'s three All-Australian representatives.

The umpiring at all levels - field, goal and boundary - was exemplary with the very best of Western Australia's umpires officiating.

As usual the V.F.L. talent scouts abounded - sometimes to the chagrin of club officials from the clubs which "own" the boys creating the interest. The obvious comment would be that the clubs concerned should have their star juniors signed to a contract even if these contracts necessitated fairly large commitments by the clubs they would ensure the players staying in their clubs (and states). It would also ensure that their talents would be available to the club that developed them for a reasonable and productive period.

At least some of the talent scouts ignored clause (e) of the N.F.L. Permit and Clearance Regulations which states, "For the purpose of promotion and propaganda the N.F.L. may declare any area a developmental area for a stipulated period. No player of an Affiliated Body within such areas may be approached by any representative of another Affiliated Body and/or Club of another Affiliated Body or apply for a clearance to transfer to First or Second Eighteen teams constituting the Affiliated Body in any State unless permission is obtained from the Standing Committee of the N.F.L."

QUESTION: Who won the Teal Cup competition?

ANSWER:

QUESTION: How many WA players were selected in the Teal Cup All-Australian side?

ANSWER:

QUESTION: Who was named Coach of the All-Australian Teal Cup side?

ANSWER:

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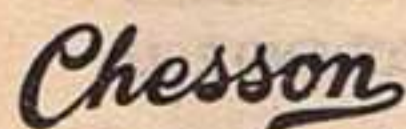
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ANSWERS TO QUIZ NO. 12. 1: Mel Whinnen and Bill Dempsey. 2: Two - Swans in the league and Claremont in the reserves. 3: 21.1.60. MYSTERY PLAYER: Ken Judge.

CARNIVAL PREVIEW

BP PILBARA FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Newman gears for carnival

Football in the Pilbara will focus on Mt Newman next weekend, when the fifth Annual BP Pilbara Football Championships are held in the town.

Teams from as far afield as Port Hedland and Karratha will participate in the two day carnival.

It is the second time that the championships have been held in Mt Newman. The inaugural carnival, in 1976 was also conducted there. Since then, carnivals have been held at Port Hedland, Tom Price, and last year at Karratha.

The history of the championships is typical of the dramatic and rapidly changing scene in the Pilbara area over the last decade. The idea was born and correspondence began exchanging in 1973. However, when a meeting was finally called and plans formulated, the championships advanced on a scale not previously envisaged.

Adrian Marshall of the Fortescue League had approached many associations to form a North West League, and the formal responses he received were minimal.

MEETING

However, he managed to instigate a meeting between the four associations, now competing in the championships, and it was finally decided that a North West Championships was to get off the ground. Present at the historic meeting were C. Matheson (De Grey), R. Turner (West Pilbara), A. Marshall (Fortescue), G. Williams and D. Nugent (Newman).

Mr Marshall was elected steering president and after it was agreed to form the "Pilbara National Football Championships" tentative dates were set and fixtures were drawn up. Each league agreed to pay a \$500 bond to ensure the arrival of a team at the championships. In the past, last minute problems had caused many north west matches to be cancelled.

A further meeting was held in Dampier in November, 1975.

At this meeting each association reported that all parties in their respective centres wished the championships to go ahead.

The responsibility of the administration of the council, finding a sponsor, and other work involved was placed with the rep-

resentatives of the town where the inaugural championships were to be held. Newman had been selected as the venue,

and Ray Williams elected inaugural president, Des Nugent, secretary and John Tandy treasurer.

SUPPORT

Andy Tonich, a long time member of the Newman Association suggested the council approach B.P. Australia Pty. Ltd. for sponsorship. They saw the need for support to sporting groups in remote areas and offered sponsorship amounting to \$4,500.

This made the B.P. Pilbara Championships the richest country football carnival in W.A.

No longer were the greater financial and social problems of travelling to Perth for the country championships to worry these remote associations.

LIFE MEMBER



Colin Matheson

In 1978 the president of the De Grey National Football League, Mr Colin Matheson, was made a life member of the Pilbara National Football Championships. This was awarded for his many years of devotion to football in the De Grey and for his efforts as a foundation member of the Championships.

TOUGH CONTEST EXPECTED

The 1980 Pilbara championships may turn out to be the most competitive series yet held.

Over the past couple of weeks as the competing leagues have selected their sides, interest in the carnival has been gaining unprecedented momentum.

Three times winners of the championships, FORTESCUE are confident that they can again reign supreme. This team is drawn from the six clubs at Tom Price and won the 1976, 78 and 79 carnivals. They won their first championship by seven points from Newman. In 1978 when the title was held on their home ground, Fortescue comfortably defeated West Pilbara in the grand final. They again emerged triumphant last year, again easily defeating West Pilbara in the final.

After being defeated in the finals at the last two championships, WEST PILBARA are determined to break through this year. The league - which is drawn from the Wickham-Karratha area - had high hopes of winning last year when the championships were held on the home ground for the first time.

NEWMAN, the only league other than Fortescue to have won a championship, are pulling out all stops to notch a victory this year in front of their home crowd. As host league, the team can expect far greater spectator support than the other teams and this may be sufficient to give them a slight edge in tight matches.

The DE GREY LEAGUE which is based around the biggest populated area in the north, Port Hedland, are somewhat enigmas in the championships... always promising a lot but nearly always failing to produce the goods. Their best efforts were in 1977 when playing on their home ground they managed to finish second on percentages, though failing to reach the final; and in 1978 when they put up a torrid performance against eventual winners, Fortescue in the preliminary match. Their performance was enough to earn them second place on percentage. Last year, the side put up its worst ever showing to finish last.

WESTSIDE FOOTBALL'S North West tipster expects Fortescue and Newman to win the Saturday matches, and Newman to take the title in an exciting grand final.

Previous premiers of the championships:

1976	Fortescue National Football League
1977	Newman National Football Association
1978	Fortescue National Football League
1979	Fortescue National Football League

1980 CHAMPIONSHIPS

The draw for next weekend's championships:

Saturday, July 5	- Game 1 De Grey v Fortescue
	- Game 2 Newman v West Pilbara
Sunday, July 6	- Game 1 Two losers play off.
	- Game 2 Two winners play off.

MARSHALL MEDAL FOR FAIREST AND BEST

A medal for the Fairest and Best player in the championships is awarded each year.

The award was inaugurated in 1976 by its donor, Adrian Marshall; who was one of the driving forces behind the establishment of the championships.

Previous winners of this prestigious award:

1976	- R. Willison	Newman
1977	- C. Brown	Newman
1978	- R. Ireland	West Pilbara
1979	- R. Welsh	De Grey

FOUR LEAGUES TO COMPETE

The following teams will compete in this year's championships at Mt Newman.

- Newman National Football Association.
- De Grey National Football League.
- Fortescue National Football League.
- West Pilbara National Football League.

The championships are hosted on a rotating basis and next year's carnival will be held at Port Hedland.

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MLA DONATES TROPHY

Pilbara MLA, Brian Sodeman has donated a trophy each year since 1977 to the fairest and best player in the grand final of the championships.

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1978 - P. Linton Fortescue
1979 - R. Symeon Fortescue

Radio Coverage



Pat Love, sporting director of Radio 6NW, who covers football in the Pilbara region.

COUNTRY NEWS

* Country football club and league officials wishing to have news included in this weekly country section should send their news reports and photographs to Westside Football, P.O. Box 153, Morley, 6062.

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David Parkin for Busselton seminar

David Parkin, coach of the Victorian League Football team, Hawthorn, will be a guest speaker at the Busselton regional conference on junior sport.

Parkin, who coached Hawthorn to a premiership in 1978, was originally a primary school teacher specialising in physical education. He is now a lecturer at Burwood State College, in Victoria, and has written publications on the rationalism of junior sport.

It is intended to keep the conference at a practical level so that those travelling to Busselton from other parts of the South-West can be confident that their time will be well spent.

Any club or individual can get more information by contacting Busselton Health Centre's education officer, John Colquhoun (52 1488).

WELL DONE DONNYBROOK

Congratulations to the Donnybrook Football Club who recently celebrated their 85th anniversary.

More than 200 former players and officials talked and joked about old times and events when they attended a panel show at the reunion.

Special guest was Jack Rudd (92), the only surviving member of the 1912 Donnybrook side.

Former Donnybrook footballer, Barry Shepherd, also attended the anniversary celebrations.

Shepherd, who is a former Australian Test cricketer, is visiting his home town after living in NSW for the past 15 years.

Other guests included former club presidents: Jim Scott (president for 15 years); 1953, Jack Gerard; 1960, 1961, Fred Williams; 1970, George Harper; 1973, Graham Holwill; 1975, 1978, Tony Scott; 1979, 1980, Peter Hearman.

Former coaches: 1953, Jim Scott; 1956, Dixie Lee; 1958, Billy Locks; 1959, 1969, Kelly Allsop; 1960, 1961, Terry Howlett; 1964, 1965, Grahame Tidy; 1966, George Harper; 1967, 1968, Cyril Litterick; 1973, Barry Burgess; 1974, Con Regan; 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1980, Peter Betti; 1979, Keith Bedford.

VENUE PROBLEM

The Eastern Districts-Goldfields clash due to be played at the Boulder Oval on July 6, could suffer a change of venue.

The grandstand, originally scheduled for completion by the end of March, still requires about a month's work.

Material delays and labour problems have held up the project.

WOMEN WONDERS!

One wonders what condition Margaret River footballers are in!

Last weekend a team of women had an overwhelming victory against a male side in the Miss Australia Quest charity football match.

Local quest entrant, Karen Atcheson, led the women's team onto the oval where they showed the necessary skills required to win a football match.

Best for giving and receiving -Men: Ray Bell, Tom Harley, Ken Preston. Women: Jenny Turnock, Glemice Rodgers, Karen Atcheson.

RECORD NUMBERS

A record number of 59 little leaguers turned out for the first day of football training in Corrigin.

Socks were awarded to the hardest triers and congratulations Glen Towers, Gavin Thomas, Nicholas O'Brien, Nigel McAndrew, Christopher Knight and Brett Mather.

SPONSOR WANTED

Mortlock National Football League president, Mr Peter Yelland, is interested in hearing from anyone who wants to sponsor the league representative teams.

The league is ordering sweat shirts in Mortlock colours and with the appropriate emblem.

These will be presented to players selected to compete in the Wesfarmers country championships.

DOUBLE TROUBLE

Is it a record for a football team to have six sets of brothers playing in one game? This was the case at Dowerin on June 1.

The brother combinations were Lyall and Greg Underwood, Joe and David Collard, Jim and Stephen Petchell, Brian and Chris Lee, Wayne and Bryce Hagboom, Kevin and Trevor Newman.

HARVEY SUPPORTERS UNDER FIRE

Some Harvey Towns football club supporters have come under fire for some disgusting incidents at a recent match.

A number of Harvey fans abused and spat at Waroona footballers during their recent Murray league game.

Waroona were subjected to loud hoots, jeers, spittle and one fan even felt the compulsion to throw a shoe at a player.

The incident has prompted the WFC to write a letter of protest to the league.

UMPIRE PROBLEMS

WAFL umpires have been criticised in recent weeks for victimisation towards certain clubs.

Apparently country associations are having problems too.

This time umpires are claiming victimisation from players and spectators.

The attitude towards umpires in the Avon Football Association last season was so bad that they lost three members of its A Reserve umpires' panel and had to hunt urgently for replacements.

It was suggested that the only solution was to impose fines for club patrons and spectators who abuse the umpires.

The AFA discovered they can fine clubs for partially offensive behaviour by players but nothing can be done about spectators who make an umpires job unpleasant.

Country umpires get paid for their services but the treatment which is sometimes brutally handed out makes their position at many times unattractive.



• DAVID PARKIN

DUGGAN FITS IN WELL

ROD DUGGAN, who announced his retirement from league football last week, made his first appearance for the season with Augusta-Margaret River last Sunday.

Duggan had been travelling from Margaret River each week to play with East Perth.

Margaret River swamped Carey Park in the second half to win 13.18 to 7.16. Playing at home and with Duggan in their line-up, Margaret River looked more like the side that unsuccessfully contested the 1979 SWNFL grand final.

Last Sunday's win now puts Augusta-Margaret River two points behind Carey Park in fourth place.

The biggest upset so far this season occurred at Brunswick where Harvey-Brunswick (seventh) defeated Mines (second) 21.18 to 16.11. Mines' chances received a blow when former South Fremantle ruckman Pat Buller, who is coaching Mines this season, dislocated his shoulder early in the game and was taken to hospital.

On the other hand, it was a former South Fremantle player, Rod Solin, playing his first game for Harvey-Brunswick, who was largely responsible for the upset. Rod Solin has now joined his brother Rob, who has been a star for the Maroons since joining them last season.

- GEOFF FERGUSON



In last week's special feature on the Mortlock League, we carried an article about well-known administrator Dick Smith (above) being honoured with life membership. Unfortunately the picture we used above his name last week was prominent Mortlock journalist David Marsh.

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Surviving the pressure

East Perth coach Barry Cable places heavy emphasis on the ability of his players to handle tough pressure games.

And there's no other man in WA football who knows the pressures of big games like Cable.

Cable has played in about 36 finals, including nine grand finals. He was a member of premiership teams six times.

That's a heap of pressure experience which he has passed along to his charges at East Perth.

The former champion rover believes that the ability to win tough games is paramount and that's a big reason why he is quietly confident about the Royals' chances of a premiership this season.

"East Perth do play well when the crunch comes," he says.

"Now that we are in the four we intend to stay there.

"We've got as much chance as anybody else of winning the premiership if we stay there.

"With all players fit and well, we have got what it takes to win a flag."

But he was far from happy with the performance against Perth last week.

Cable didn't really mind the early and mid-season struggles that the Royals had to go through to make the four.

"The important thing is that we make it," he said.

Cable says his coaching tactics revolves around discipline which also encompasses loyalty and dedication.

"I don't kid players along," Cable says.

"I tell them what their capabilities are and where their weaknesses lie.

"If a coach falls into the trap of kidding players along, telling them they are better than they are, it can backfire when the crunch comes."

Over the next few weeks Cable will coach from his hospital bed.

He is back in hospital to undergo operations to remove an infection which has developed in the leg he damaged in a tractor accident last year.

His deputy, Grant Dorrington, will marshal the side during his absence.

Cable will study videotapes of all East Perth games and constantly discuss the teams tactics and progress with Dorrington, Reserves coach Eddie Pitter and captain Ian Miller.

Royals gloom... And a big query

Barry Cable's accident hung not only a cloud of gloom over East Perth this year, but a question mark as well.

With Cable fit and at the helm a place in the final four would have been considered a foregone conclusion.

After all, a premiership followed by a tilt at a grand final appearance which came within an ace of completion, was a formidable record.

There was nothing to suggest player strength would be down, in fact just the opposite, recruiting had been sound.

But then came the accident which nearly cost Cable his life. And the question mark.

Would the champ, on crutches and walking sticks, be able to conjure the same magic and fire the team as of old? Was the charisma still there? Could he lead?

From the boundary line it appeared Cable was battling at first and East Perth were finding it hard to produce top form.

Close up, the blue Cable eyes could not hide the intense suffering that he had undergone.

But as Cable got fitter East Perth got better until they started to fire with the old enthusiasm.

While the Royals forge ahead on the field the 2600 members and the club administration is fighting a much more formidable battle for finances.

Club President Jim Leahy is happy with a membership drive that saw 400 new members and with the Yakka sponsorship which appears to have proved a great two-way deal.

But he and the committee have the job of cutting back a huge \$120,000 deficit.

"We are meeting our commitments and with proper planning we hope to overcome our problems," he said.

"But it is too early to start hoping for a big reduction.

"One thing at East Perth, we pay our players much better than most clubs and we believe they are entitled to this.

"We are doing our best and right now we have a very strong social club which is doing a great job.

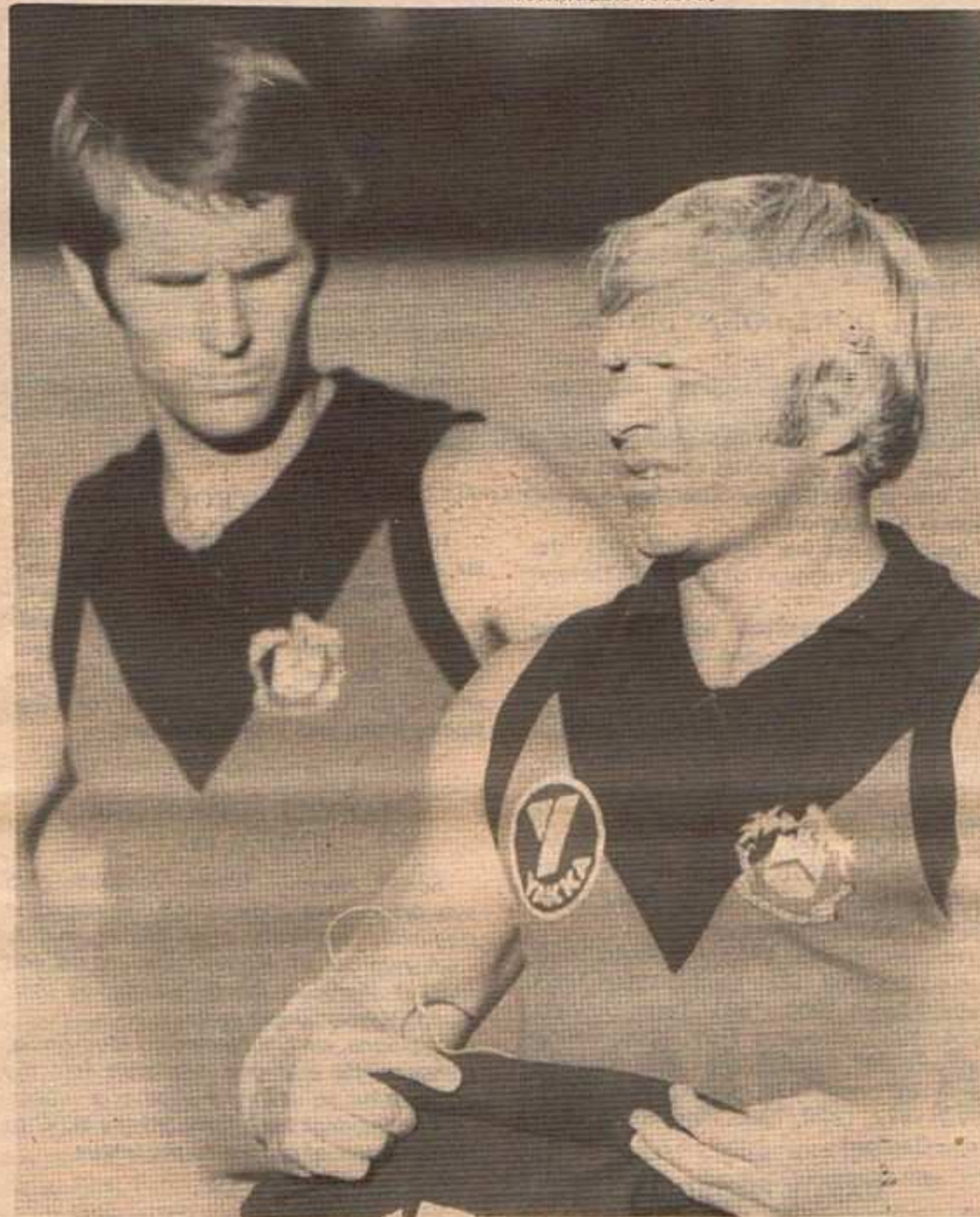
"When Barry Cable had his accident last year we confirmed very quickly that he would be non playing coach.

"We are very pleased with the fact that he has been able to carry out his duties."

For East Perth members, the extensive social programme is topped off with a dining room second to none in League football.

A new innovation is a direct telecast of all home games which is beamed on to a big screen.

With Barry Cable and the Royals back in form that big screen should provide some pleasant entertainment for black-and-blue followers.



Royal worries . . . East Perth coach Barry Cable and his assistant Grant Dorrington . . . they have an awesome task at East Perth, particularly with the cloud of gloom over Cable's pre-season injury.

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Perth 18.22, East Perth 16.10
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South Frem. 22.11, Claremont 21.18
West Perth 26.24, East Frem. 11.9

MAY 10
East Perth 21.12, Sth Fremantle 18.8
East Fremantle 16.16, Perth 22.11
Claremont 28.15, Subiaco 15.11
Swans 27.20, West Perth 8.8.

MAY 17
W. Perth 13.21, E. Perth 12.14
Subiaco 20.25, East Frem. 9.13
Perth 20.12, Claremont 29.17
Sth Frem. 15.18, Swans 22.15.

MAY 24
Perth 19.17, Sth. Frem. 21.25
West Perth 22.18, Subiaco 15.13
East Frem. 15.16, Swans 29.17
East Perth 19.20, Cl'mont 14.13

MAY 31
East Perth 28.11, Subiaco 12.10
Perth 16.18, Swans 19.17

JUNE 2
Sth Frem 14.21, East Frem 16.17
Claremont 18.15, West Perth 7.11

JUNE 7
Swans 16.21, East Perth 12.12
Cl'mont 24.18, East Frem 15.15
Sth Frem 18.16, W. Perth 12.22
Subiaco 13.17, Perth 16.17

JUNE 14
Subiaco 9.23, Sth. Frem. 16.19
W. Perth 16.19, Perth 10.17
E. Frem. 16.14, E. Perth 25.18
Swans 20.14, Cl'mont 13.7
S.A. 21.19, W.A. 9.10

JUNE 21
East Perth 8.13, Perth 14.14
Swans 7.12, Subiaco 5.13
Claremont 3.4, Sth Fremantle 8.13
East Frem 7.8, West Perth 9.13

JUNE 28
South Fremantle v East Perth
Perth v East Fremantle
Subiaco v Claremont
West Perth v Swan Districts

JULY 5
W.A. v Victoria, VFL Park

JULY 12
East Perth v West Perth
East Fremantle v Subiaco
Claremont v Perth
Swan Districts v South Fremantle

JULY 19
South Fremantle v Perth
Subiaco v West Perth
Claremont v East Perth
Swan Districts v East Fremantle

JULY 26
East Perth v Swan Districts
East Fremantle v Claremont
West Perth v South Fremantle
Perth v Subiaco

AUGUST 2
Subiaco v East Perth
West Perth v Claremont
East Fremantle v South Fremantle
Swan Districts v Perth

AUGUST 9
South Fremantle v Subiaco
Perth v West Perth
East Perth v East Fremantle
Claremont v Swan Districts

AUGUST 16
Perth v East Perth
Subiaco v Swan Districts
South Fremantle v Claremont
West Perth v East Fremantle

AUGUST 23
East Perth v South Fremantle
East Fremantle v Perth
Claremont v Subiaco
Swan Districts v West Perth

AUGUST 30
West Perth v East Perth
Subiaco v East Fremantle
Perth v Claremont
South Fremantle v Swan Districts

FINALS

SEPTEMBER 6
First semi-final

SEPTEMBER 13
Second semi-final

SEPTEMBER 20
Preliminary final

SEPTEMBER 27
Grand Final

VFL

Matches played on home grounds of first named clubs. First mentioned match on each date except April 5, 26 and 27. May 25th played at V.F.L. Park. ● Played in Sydney.

MARCH 29
St. Kilda 14.16, Melb. 18.14
Hawthorn 15.16, Rich. 16.15
Footscray 17.11, Fitzroy 18.17
Essendon 12.15, N. Melb. 15.10
Collingwood 13.16, Carlton 19.18
Geelong 12.13, S. Melb. 13.10

APRIL 5
Richmond 17.15, Essendon 17.22
St. Kilda 11.17, Hawthorn 15.26
N. Melb. 7.14, Collingwood 7.19

APRIL 7
Fitzroy 17.14, Melbourne 22.8
S. Melb. 14.17, Footscray 10.13
Carlton 14.25, Geelong 15.14

April 12th
Sth. Melb. 14.17, Essendon 24.12
Footscray 14.10, Carlton 17.17
Richmond 18.20, St. Kilda 19.14
Geelong 17.17, Melbourne 14.9
Hawthorn 19.16, Collingwood 16.23
Fitzroy 14.18, Nth. Melb. 21.22

APRIL 19
Fitzroy 12.10, Hawthorn 11.19
Collingwood 8.9, Richmond 16.13
Melbourne 18.21, Footscray 18.12
North Melbourne 10.9, Geelong 16.10
St Kilda 11.17, Essendon 12.8
Carlton 22.18, South Melbourne 13.15

APRIL 25
Carlton 14.9, Melbourne 9.20
Geelong 14.19, Hawthorn 13.11
Richmond 29.25, Fitzroy 11.15

APRIL 26
Essendon 9.15, Collingwood 10.13
Sth. Melb. 17.20, St. Kilda 7.15

APRIL 27
● Footscray 8.7, Nth. Melb. 26.21

MAY 3
Geelong 10.17, Richmond 12.16
Hawthorn 19.16, Footscray 18.5
Fitzroy 16.12, Essendon 15.23
North Melbourne 18.11, Carlton 12.15
Collingwood 26.12, St Kilda 16.12
Melbourne 15.14, South Melb 19.16

MAY 10
Melbourne 10.12, Nth Melb 24.15
Sth Melb. 17.14, Collingwood 13.12
St Kilda 12.20, Fitzroy 19.23
Carlton 14.27, Hawthorn 17.17
Essendon 13.15, Geelong 16.11
Footscray 10.10, Richmond 27.18

MAY 17
Footscray 10.11, Essendon 22.16
Richmond 19.24, Carlton 12.13
Geelong 20.15, St. Kilda 10.12
Hawthorn 17.16, Melb. 15.18
Fitzroy 17.16, Collingwood 17.16
Nth. Melb. 15.19, Sth. Melb. 16.10

MAY 24
Nth. Melb. 14.9, Hawthorn 10.13
Col'wood 18.28, Geelong 15.15
Melb. 15.12, Richmond 29.21
St. Kilda 19.15, Footscray 15.13
Fitzroy 14.16, Sth. Melb. 16.25

MAY 25
● Carlton 20.11, Essendon 13.16

MAY 31
Carlton 14.20, St Kilda 9.8
Essendon 17.18, Melbourne 11.10
Footscray 18.11, Collingwood 24.17
Richmond 15.15, North Melb 13.20
Geelong 18.15, Fitzroy 17.6
Sth Melbourne 28.15, Hawthorn 14.15

June 7th
Richmond 18.13, Sth. Melb 10.8
Footscray 15.13, Geelong 22.12
Hawthorn 9.17, Essendon 13.11
Fitzroy 19.12, Carlton 22.24
St. Kilda 12.18, Nth. Melb 25.13
Collingwood 19.15, Melb 18.11

JUNE 14/16
Carlton 13.12, Col'wood 11.19
Richmond 16.12, Hawthorn 11.22
Nth. Melb. 15.11, Essendon 10.12
Fitzroy 18.15, Footscray 25.17
Melb. 19.20, St. Kilda 14.8

JUNE 15
● Sth. Melb. 12.12, Geelong 21.21

JUNE 21
Collingwood 20.19, Nth Melb 13.15
Melbourne 18.21, Fitzroy 18.9
Hawthorn 21.17, St Kilda 16.13
Geelong 12.11, Carlton 12.6
Essendon 15.17, Richmond 16.21
Footscray 15.14, Sth Melbourne 12.15

June 28th
Essendon v St. Kilda
Sth. Melbourne v Carlton
Footscray v Melbourne
Richmond v Collingwood
Geelong v Nth. Melbourne
Hawthorn v Fitzroy

July 5th
Victoria v Western Australia

July 12th
Hawthorn v Geelong
Fitzroy v Richmond
Nth. Melbourne v Footscray
Collingwood v Essendon
Melbourne v Carlton
St. Kilda v Sth. Melbourne

July 19th
Nth. Melbourne v Fitzroy
Collingwood v Hawthorn
Melbourne v Geelong
Carlton v Footscray
Essendon v Sth. Melbourne

July 20th
● St. Kilda v Richmond

July 26th
St. Kilda v Collingwood
Sth. Melbourne v Melbourne
Carlton v Nth. Melbourne
Essendon v Fitzroy
Footscray v Hawthorn
Richmond v Geelong

August 2nd
Richmond v Footscray
Geelong v Essendon
Hawthorn v Carlton
Fitzroy v St. Kilda
Nth. Melbourne v Melbourne
Collingwood v Sth. Melbourne

August 9th
Collingwood v Fitzroy
Sth. Melbourne v Nth. Melbourne
Melbourne v Hawthorn
St. Kilda v Geelong
Carlton v Richmond
Essendon v Footscray

August 16th
Essendon v Carlton
Footscray v St. Kilda
Richmond v Melbourne
Geelong v Collingwood
Hawthorn v Nth. Melbourne
Sth. Melbourne v Fitzroy

August 23rd
Hawthorn v Sth. Melbourne
Fitzroy v Geelong
Nth. Melbourne v Richmond
Collingwood v Footscray
Melbourne v Essendon
St. Kilda v Carlton

August 30th
Geelong v Footscray
Sth. Melbourne v Richmond
Essendon v Hawthorn
Carlton v Fitzroy
Nth. Melbourne v St. Kilda
Melbourne v Collingwood

FINAL SERIES - TOP 5 TEAMS

September 6th
Team No. 2 v Team No. 3
Team No. 4 v Team No. 5

September 13th
Team No. 3 v Team No. 4
Team No. 1 v Team No. 2

September 20th
Preliminary Final

September 27th
Grand Final - M.C.G.

SANFL

First match listed on each date played at Football Park. Thereafter, games played on home ground of first mentioned club. ● Sunday Games (all at Football Park)

SATURDAY, APRIL 5
Nth. Adelaide 14.10, Sturt 16.21
Sth. Adelaide 13.16, Norwood 6.14
Central Dist. 9.18, Port Adel. 9.18
W. Torrens 16.20, Woodville 14.20
W. Adelaide 8.9, Glenelg 20.14

SAT/SUN, APRIL 12/13
West Torrens 16.17, West Adel. 6.10
Port Adel. 27.20 d Norwood 11.8
Woodville 10.19, Sturt 30.12
Glenelg 21.17, Nth. Adel. 17.15
● Sth. Adel. 13.15, Cent. Dist. 13.16

SATURDAY, APRIL 19
Port Adelaide 37.21, Woodville 13.4
North Adelaide 10.13, South Adel 18.11
Norwood 24.13, West Adelaide 7.21
Sturt 12.12, West Torrens 14.16
Glenelg 24.26, Central Districts 15.18

FRIDAY APRIL 25
Port Adel. 9.12, Sth. Adel. 5.7
W. Torrens 8.14, Glenelg 5.9

SATURDAY, APRIL 26
Cent. Dist. 13.11, Norwood 16.20
Nth. Adel. 25.13, Woodville 12.18
West. Adel. 24.13, Sturt 7.19

SATURDAY, MAY 3
Central District 19.15, Nth Adelaide 17.12
Port Adelaide 28.19, West Adelaide 10.10
Sth Adelaide 18.19, Sturt 18.16
Woodville 8.11, Glenelg 29.11
W. Torrens 18.20, Norwood 11.16

SAT/SUN, MAY 10/11
W. Torrens 8.7, North Adelaide 14.10
Cent. Dist. 23.12, W. Adel. 16.12
Woodville 10.11, Sth Adel. 23.12
Sturt 13.22, P. Adelaide 23.12
● Norwood 9.13, Glenelg 14.22

SATURDAY, MAY 17
Port Adel. 18.14, Glenelg 9.17
Sth. Adel. 12.15, W. Torrens 13.14
Norwood 21.16, Woodville 17.17
W. Adel. 17.14, Nth. Adel. 14.15
Cent. Dist. 17.17, Sturt 18.8

MONDAY, MAY 19
South Adelaide v Queensland

SATURDAY, MAY 24
Norwood 14.13, Nth. Adelaide 14.21
Sth. Adel. 16.16, West Adel. 13.14
Cent. Dist. 27.19, Woodville 15.15
Glenelg 17.20, Sturt 11.13
Port Adel. 23.12, W. Torrens 9.6

SATURDAY, MAY 31
Sth Adelaide 15.12, Glenelg 20.16
Port Adelaide 27.16, Nth Adelaide 8.8
Woodville 13.10, West Adelaide 13.22
West Torrens 16.14, Central District 13.14
Sturt 16.14, Norwood 13.16

SAT/SUN, JUNE 7/8
Cent Dist 11.18, Port Adel 12.16
Nth. Adel 23.17, Sturt 15.15
Norwood 25.15, Sth. Adel 7.7
Glenelg 23.15, W. Adel 16.13
● Woodville 15.8, W. Torrens 12.14

SATURDAY JUNE 14
South Aust. 21.19, West Aust. 9.10

MONDAY JUNE 16
Norwood 9.10, Port Adel. 23.16
Nth. Adel. 6.12, Glenelg 18.15
Cent. Dist. 14.14, Sth. Adel. 11.13
Sturt 13.20, Woodville 13.6
West Adelaide v West Torrens

SATURDAY, JUNE 21
Central District 15.15, Glenelg 17.14
Sth Adelaide 26.13, Nth Adelaide 13.7
West Adelaide 15.13, Norwood 14.20
Port Adelaide 25.13, Woodville 17.10
West Torrens 12.14, Sturt 19.17

SATURDAY, JUNE 28
Central District v Norwood
Woodville v North Adelaide
West Torrens v Glenelg

SATURDAY, JULY 5
Port Adelaide v South Adelaide
Sturt v West Torrens

SAT/SUN, JULY 12/13
Norwood v West Torrens
Central District v North Adelaide
Glenelg v Woodville
Sturt v South Adelaide
● Port Adelaide v West Adelaide

SATURDAY, JULY 19
Port Adelaide v Sturt
South Adelaide v Woodville
Norwood v Glenelg
North Adelaide v West Torrens
West Adelaide v Central District

SATURDAY, JULY 26
Sturt v Central District
Woodville v Norwood
North Adelaide v West Adelaide
Glenelg v Port Adelaide
West Torrens v South Adelaide

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2
South Adelaide v West Adelaide
Woodville v Central District
West Torrens v Port Adelaide
Sturt v Glenelg
Norwood v North Adelaide

SATURDAY, AUGUST 9
North Adelaide v Port Adelaide
Central District v West Torrens
Norwood v Sturt
Glenelg v South Adelaide
West Adelaide v Woodville

SAT/SUN, AUGUST 16/17
West Adelaide v Glenelg
Port Adelaide v Central District
South Adelaide v Norwood
Woodville v West Torrens
● North Adelaide v Sturt

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23
Woodville v Sturt
Central District v South Adelaide
Norwood v Port Adelaide
North Adelaide v Glenelg
West Torrens v West Adelaide

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30
West Torrens v Sturt
South Adelaide v North Adelaide
Port Adelaide v Woodville
Glenelg v Central District
West Torrens v Norwood

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6
West Torrens v Glenelg
Port Adelaide v South Adelaide
Norwood v Central District
North Adelaide v Woodville
Sturt v West Adelaide

FINALS SERIES MATCHES
COMMENCE SEPTEMBER 13



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WESTSIDE WINNERS



WEST PERTH v SWAN DISTRICTS
FRED WOODS: Swans have an extra 2000 reasons why they want to beat West Perth — and that should be decisive.



PERTH v EAST FREMANTLE
ALAN EAST: Perth showed last week that they are a tough competitor — and Alan Joyce would love to show his old team just what grit and determination is all about.



SUBIACO v CLAREMONT
BOB CRABB: Claremont will win because Graham Moss, Phil Krakouer, Gerald Betts and Ken Hunter will be too good for Subiaco.



SOUTH FREMANTLE v EAST PERTH
MARTY McDONNELL: South Fremantle will find East Perth a much tougher proposition than the 'soft' Tigers they downed last week. East Perth will win this one.



PICKET SNIPPETS

KRAKOUER'S FEAT

Phil Krakouer became the first player in fourteen years to score his side's entire goal tally, when he booted 3.2 against South Fremantle last Saturday. The last player to achieve this was Reg Hampson, playing for Subiaco against West Perth in 1966. Claremont's total score (3.4) last Saturday was their lowest ever against South Fremantle. Their previous lowest was 3.12 in 1957.

QUICK TRIP

Talking about Collie Teal Cup player Peter Davidson — he really had his work cut out last Sunday. He flew up to Perth in a charter plane to be out at the Channel 7 studios to receive his trophy on the World of Football show for being WA's fairest and best player in the carnival. Then he had to fly straight back to take his place in the Collie team to play Boyanup-Cape-Dardanup — and help them to a victory. Incidentally, Peter's father John is recognised as one of the real stalwarts of football in Collie, having been president of the Collie Football Club in the past and is currently their football director.

RECORD LOW FOR SUBI

Despite the fact that Subiaco pressed Swans last Saturday in their bid to win the Marlboro \$20,000, it was Subiaco's lowest ever score at Bassendean Oval. It was one point less than their 6.8 in 1965.

WET WEATHER

Rookie Perth defender Darrell Harris didn't enjoy the atrocious conditions last Saturday — but he wasn't without humour after the game. When asked why he produced a couple of terrible kicks when kicking out of goals, he was quick to reply: "How would you like to kick a ball with size 12½ boots full of water?"

TIGER DRIPS

Last Saturday's bleak weather exposed some flaws in the mental approach of some players.

But the wet weather didn't stop on the football field at Claremont Oval.

A few unfortunate Tigers supporters, justifiably miserable after the home side's poor performance, continued to fare badly in the social hall after the game.

The pelting rain had created a leak in the roof of the hall and a few unsuspecting members were dripped upon from above.

PUZZLING MOVE

The State selectors have their problems — but they do pull some puzzling decisions out of their meetings. Their quick action to axe half of the WA side that flopped against South Australia was predictable — but a little short-sighted. Wouldn't it have been better to leave the squad together for another week or so, providing numbers for training sessions and keeping all local contenders on their toes before next Saturday's State-Of-Origin match against Victoria? Dropping someone like Stephen Michael was interesting — he replied with some brilliant club football last week.

MYSTERY SPONSOR

Who is the multi-national firm giving serious consideration to making big sponsorship in-roads to junior sport? Apparently it's a huge deal and involves junior footballers all around the country. It's enough to make junior football officials 'Smile'.

TEAMMATES STILL

It was interesting to note that Subiaco's two interchange players for last week's clash with Swan Districts were both former Claremont campaigners — Jeff (Everest) Murray and Alan (Rabies) Walker. Both played well when given their chance, particularly Walker, who has come under notice in the reserves competition since quitting Claremont earlier in the season.

UMPIRING CONTRASTS

There was a huge gap in ability between the performances of umpires Capes and O'Reilly at Claremont last Saturday.

Many feel that criticism of umpires should be taboo. We don't. If an umpire turns in a bad game, like any player, he should be subject to criticism.

O'Reilly certainly raised the ire of South Fremantle supporters with some extremely doubtful decisions.

His interpretation of the play-on rule was opposite to that of Capes who gave a professional exhibition.

COLD ENOUGH?

It wasn't only the spectators who were cold at East Fremantle Oval last Saturday. Old East's gun forward Ken Judge must have found it a little chilly as well. He emerged from the rooms after half time with both a long sleeve guernsey and a short sleeved one over the top of that.

OUT OF LUCK

Talented Claremont utility player Rob Vickers-Willis is certainly not having much luck this season. The reserves game against Swan Districts resulted in a dislocated shoulder for the big fellow. He has been languishing in the reserves after being unceremoniously dumped from the league team in favour of North Melbourne "stop-over" player Roger Podolczak.

VERBAL WARFARE

There was no love lost between Swan Districts coach John Todd and Subiaco president — and chairman of State selectors — Kevin Merrifield last week. Mr Merrifield went into the Swans dressing rooms after the game to congratulate president John Cooper on the \$20,000 bonus win. After passing on his congratulations, Mr Merrifield was 'politely' told by Todd that he could leave. Apparently, Todd is a little annoyed at the State selectors for dropping Swans players out of the squad for the State-Of-Origin match next week. He believes — and rightly so — that the team's top in-form players deserve more recognition.

W AFL THANKS

The WAFL acknowledges the support given to the Teal Cup competition by the WAFL Past Players Association and the 200 Club. They provided a special trophy for the fairest and best player over the carnival in the WA side — an award presented to Collie defender Peter Davidson. The WAFL was also grateful for the tremendous support given to the series by the media. "Hopefully this support will be extended to other junior football such as next week's inter-district under-age grand finals," says WAFL Development Officer, Richard Walker. The grand finals are at Subiaco Oval all day next Saturday.

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