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SIDEBOTTOM VOWS: WE CAN WIN

GARRY SIDEBOTTOM, Australia's most controversial footballer, has a point to prove this Saturday — and he knows that victory over Victoria will help him make it.

Sidebottom, the 25-year-old captain of St Kilda and former Swan Districts star, has been lamenting in reserves football in Victoria — but that won't stop him from trying to destroy the Vics at VFL Park on Saturday.

A clash of personalities between Sidey and St Kilda's new coach, Alex Jesaulenko, has resulted in the fiery forward from losing form and confidence.

"I don't think I've ever let WA down before and I certainly won't this time," says the super salesman for VFL Insurances Ltd.

But interstate football is something completely different and Sidey is determined to show the Vics just how good a player he is.

"We are the Australian champions — and the Vics know that.

"They have to beat us to get that title back — and I know quite a few players who aren't prepared to let that happen.

PLAYERS KEYED UP

"We are all keyed up. But the Vics are playing it low-key. They don't want to say too much. They shot their mouths off once before and we beat them at State-of-Origin football and I believe we can do it again.

"The players selected from within the VFL know how to beat the Vics; we play against them and we know what is needed. There are a few over here who probably remember the criticism they came under in 1978 when we lost mid-season. They might try to make up for that, but mainly they'll just be out there for WA to prove a few points to the Vics."

Sidebottom, a fiercely loyal West Australian despite the fact that he has pledged the next five years of his football career to St Kilda, was surprised that he was selected.

RESERVES TO INTERSTATE FOOTBALL

Though his football qualities are sufficient to make him one of the best — and highest-paid players — in the VFL, St Kilda have left him in the reserves for two weeks.

But he is confident that he can snap out of that slump and head the WA attacking line-up.

"I thought the selectors might pass me over," he says.

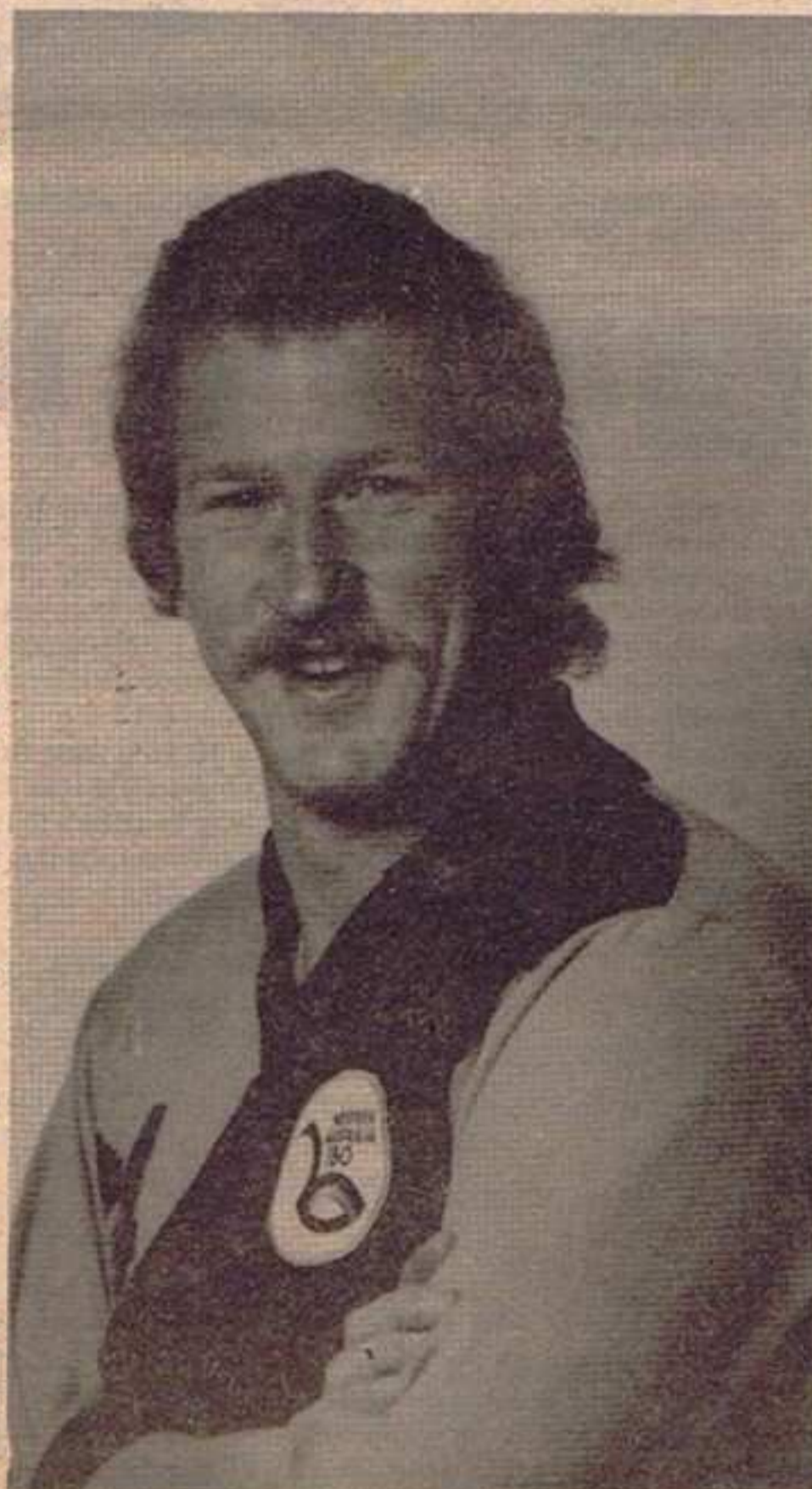
"You never know where the next surprise is coming from in football. But I won't let them down."

But Sidebottom, like most other West Australians, knows that it won't be easy.

The Melbourne weather is already pointing a bleak finger at VFL Park Waverley with heavy rain and muddy conditions. But the wide, open spaces of Waverley will, at least, suit WA players better than the crowded MCG arena.

"The Vics are not unbeatable," says Sidey.

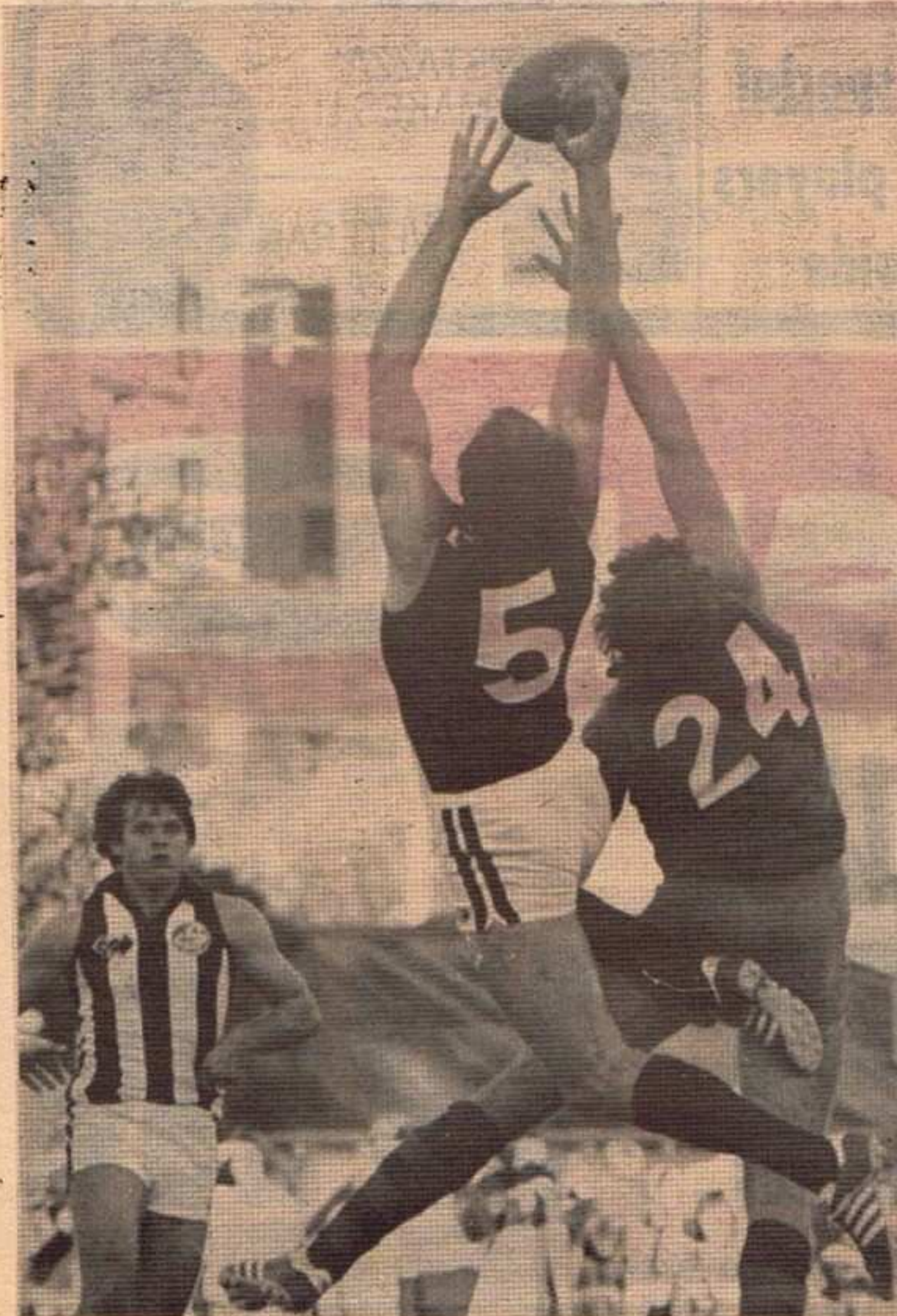
"We just have to knuckle down and do the hard things. They keep on running all the time, even in the time-on periods. We have to do the same. We have good players, the same as them. I'm confident we can win — if everyone gives everything they've got."



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The big men fly . . . Swans ruckman Ron Boucher gets up that little bit higher to out-mark his West Perth rival, Ben Jager.

Cardinals have got what it takes

Well, it finally has to be said . . . West Perth have what it takes to make the final four this season.

The Cardinals brushed off the "one most likely" tag last week after frightening the life out of the Swan Districts power machine.

West Perth were branded with the tag of being the club most likely to drop out of final four contention after only a few games.

That brand stuck until last Saturday but now, the Cardie knockers are starting to eat their words.

Early in the year it was comments like "West Perth are playing above themselves", "They can't win away from Leederville", and "There's no way they'll stay in the four" that got on Graham Campbell's goat.

In fact, he didn't mind all that much because he used the criticism as a source of motivation on his players.

Last week's encounter gained the Cardies a new found respect, not only from other clubs, especially Swans, but from their critics as well.

If they do make the four, their confidence bubble may be big enough to carry them through to grand final day. That is, if that bubble doesn't burst.

The sole worrying factor as far as Campbell is concerned would be that his side let Swans back in the game after leading by 39 points.

The Cardies must win the next match against East Perth on July 12 to ensure a spot in the four. A victory doesn't automatically assure them of a finals berth, but it would mean the Cardies would have to win less than half the third round games.

And the way East Perth are performing, the Cardinals will start odds-on favourites for the game.

The spirit and fight that many thought would enable the Royals to push Swans for the flag has deserted them over the last two weeks.

Souths upset the Royals last week with fierce tackling and bulldozer style defensive work. It was shameful the way the East Perth players stood aside and gave only token commitment.

South Fremantle were impressive against East Perth and will have to sustain that exciting football to down Swans in the next match.

The crowd for the game could well exceed 22,000, the number of spectators



Swans star Ian Williams is away.

who watched the Swans-West Perth clash in the first round.

Souths are looking good but are still having problems in attack. Kevin Bright is not the answer at full forward. Benny Vigona was tried successfully in the key attacking position and may line-up there against Swans.

A big plus for Souths' chances is that Basil Campbell is likely to be fit for the big match.

Claremont got a percentage and morale booster against the inept Lions on Saturday and will be primed up for the match against Perth.

The Tigers have the worries of the Escort Cup matches behind them and can now get down to the business of winning home-and-away games.

It appears that South Fremantle and, naturally Swans, are the only two sides that can be assured of playing at Subiaco at the end of the season.

West Perth and Claremont appear likely to fill the other two positions but Perth can now be regarded as the dark horse of the competition.

East Perth needs a massive injection of positive thought about the way they have played over the last two weeks. If they fail to snap out of the "wishy-washy" blues in time for the game against West Perth, they can write their finals' chances off.

All I can really say about Subiaco and East Fremantle is that it's a real testing time for their supporters.

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

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
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West Perth's Russell Ellen has the ball well in his sights.

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ADAMSON SHOULD HAVE GONE TO VICTORIA

State selectors Lorne Cook, Laurie Richards and Kevin Merifield must have given the West Perth Swans game a miss last weekend otherwise Brian Adamson would have been playing at VFL Park on Saturday.

While the selectors spent the weekend eating their hearts out over the centre-half-forward position there was Adamson at Leederville showing that he was the obvious man for the job.

I will admit that it has taken the rangy Cardie a long time to find his best form but he found it on Saturday and in my opinion should have been put straight into the State team.

Another reason why he should have been chosen is that he has had two years in Adelaide and played mainly on soft and muddy surfaces.

That's exactly what we are facing up to at VFL Park on Saturday and I am sure Adamson — a top of the ground player — would have given a creditable performance.

Perhaps Graham Campbell is right in his criticism of the State selectors contempt for West Perth players.

Les Fong will play this time but its hardly a worthy representation from a side that has not been out of the four all year.

Anyway Brian Adamson is not the only one who deserves to be there and has been overlooked.

Jimmy Krakouer, Gerard Neesham, Phillip Narkle and Ron Boucher would have all been in my side and I just hope that on Saturday night I am not sarcastically reminding the three wise men of their folly in some bar in Melbourne.

ADVICE FOR COMMENTATORS

I have to have a go at the Channel Seven commentators and I don't care if they take offence.

Like everyone else on Sunday, I was locked up by the fire with the TV and watched all the footy replays very closely.

The commentaries on the Perth East Fremantle game and the South Fremantle East Perth game were really hard to take.

The biggest offenders are John Rogers and Wayne Harvey.

They call the game like a world title fight and refuse to let the picture tell the story.

My advice to both of them is to sit home one Sunday morning and watch and listen to their own replays.

I know "Buck" will say I don't know what I am talking about but then again I just might.



Brian Adamson

MACCA UPSETS CAMPBELL

Weekend News journalist Alan McIntosh got the biggest public dressing down I have ever heard at Leederville Oval on Saturday night.

The paper arrived just as Cardinals coach Graham Campbell was addressing the members and he read out the article which accused the West Perth side of going for the "bash" against Swans.

"This is libellous," Campbell said. "Its the greatest lot of rubbish I have ever read in my life. I have never in my life instructed a player or a team to do anything except play the ball."

Campbell then hurled the paper into the crowd.

In my opinion McIntosh has a job to do and that is to write material which will sell papers.

In this case however he overstepped the mark because if anything it was Swans who handed out the physical stuff on Saturday not West Perth.

Guest Columnist

THIS WEEK:

Sunday Independent football writer and radio 6PM critic.

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WELL DONE WEST PERTH

Alan McIntosh was not the only one under heavy "flak" at Leederville on Saturday night.

At least thirty West Perth members made it their business to give me the treatment.

"When are you going to get off West Perth's back Cribby," was typical of the comments I copped.

Well I am sorry that the 6PM Sports-world programme is shifting to Melbourne this weekend.

I would have liked it to have been at Leederville because I am prepared to concede now that West Perth can and probably will make the finals.

They say there is none so blind as those that will not see and the Cardies certainly opened my eyes on Saturday.

I also found out after the game why they are playing so well.

They have probably got a better team spirit than any other club in the league including Swans.

The players were not content to rest on their laurels on Saturday night after turning in a magnificent performance. In the social hall afterwards to a man they were moving round the crowd selling raffle tickets for their trip fund.

Its only a small thing but to me that smacks of getting behind your club and there's not many teams in the league that would do it.

Well done West Perth and Graham Campbell. I salute you for getting your act together on and off the field.



West Perth skipper Les Fong is all smiles . . . and he can afford to be now that he knows he should be in the line-up for WA in Saturday's interstate match.

But when this picture was taken in Adelaide he was being told by State selectors Bob Shields (left). Lorne Cook and Laurie Richards (obscured) that he was not in the team to play SA.

Fong is one of WA's toughest little rovers and his form this year warrants his State selection.

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Doug Green has good start

Doug Green received faint praise from the critics after his first VFL match last Saturday.

Green was thrown straight into the South Melbourne league side and was given the task of curbing Carlton's brilliant Mark Maclure.

The former WA and East Fremantle captain limited Maclure to one goal and only a handful of kicks but was not included in his sides best players.

Green said before the game that his role would be a defensive one because of the conditions.

His first game was played in blustery, wet weather which turned most grounds into mud patches.

Green (28), a veteran of 176 league games with East Fremantle, says he will only play out this season in Melbourne.

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"KILLER" STILL ACTIVE.

Former Subiaco coach Alan "Killer" Killigrew is still hot on the heels of talented players for St Kilda.

Killigrew has gained the reputation of Australia's No. 1 old time recruiting agent.

He has been working silently interstate for the past two months and has signed 12 South Australians and one Tasmanian for St Kilda.

And "Killer" doesn't aim low. He's got five members of the SA State squad signed up while seven others are under an obligation with the Saints.

Those signed up are Peter Carey, Daryl Cowie, Wayne Slettery, Doug Cox and Milan Faletic.

St Kilda's assistant chairman Graham Huggins said Killigrew was based in Adelaide and worked virtually full time as a recruiting agent.

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CARLTON LOOK TO COUNTRY

Carlton are looking at a 29 year-old bush champion to help them out of their forward line blues.

Last year's premiers have approached the veteran full-forward who plays in the country.

Ron Best, the highest scorer in the bush this year, has been approached to play out the year with Carlton.

Carlton have until July 31 to win Best's signature. Country clearances close one month after league permits.

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DEAN'S HOPES FADE

South Melbourne's talented forward Robert Dean looks likely to miss his aim of playing 200 games.

Dean has played 188 games with Collingwood and South Melbourne and his chances of reaching to 200 mark have disappeared this season.

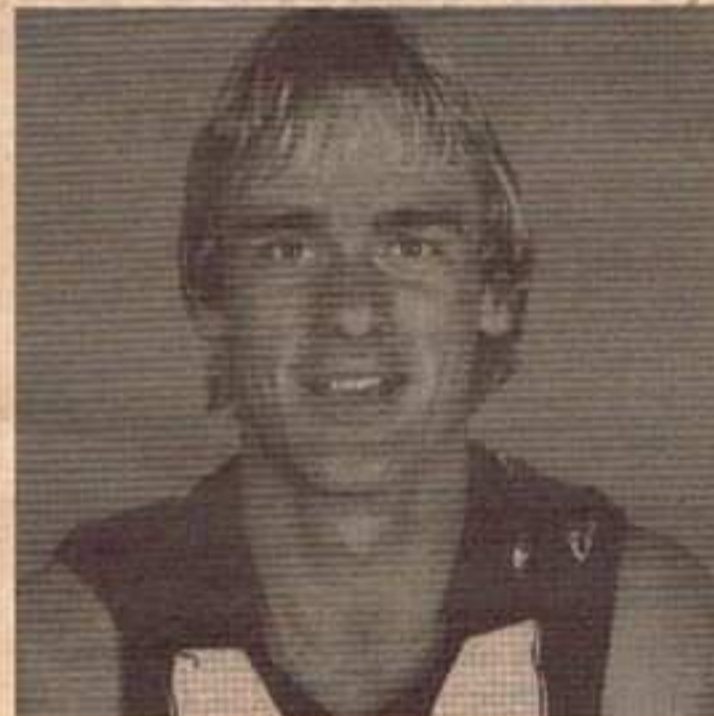
Glenelg rejected the \$20,000 price tag put on Dean who can't make the senior side at Lakeside Oval.

He said he is unlikely to remain in football next year.

Glenelg had planned to fly him across on Saturday mornings for their matches.

They are in second spot on the SANFL ladder and believe they are only a good centre-half-forward away from winning a premiership.

Dean played the first two matches of the season before being dropped to the Reserves.



◆ PETER MOORE
MOORE TOO MUCH!

The much awaited clash between Brownlow Medal ruckman Peter Moore and the hottest young property in football, Mark Lee, turned out to be an anti-climax last Saturday.

Lee, heading for his first State game this week, was outclassed by Moore for most of the Richmond-Collingwood match at the MCG.

Moore provided the impetus in the first half when Collingwood were matching the classy Richmond side.

Moore is back to the form that won him the Brownlow last year.

To Lee's credit he fought back in the second half but did not play an important part in his side's victory.

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FIDLER LOSES HIS CURLS

Young St Kilda player Geoff Fidler was told to get a haircut before his league debut against Essendon last Saturday.

Fidler sported a mass of blonde locks flowing to his shoulders only a few hours before his debut.

But a few cutting words from president Lindsay Fox resulted in a last minute haircut.

Fox has a traditional short-back and sides while coach Alex Jesaulenko is balding quickly.

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BARASSI'S BURST

The glamour usually associated with North Melbourne is starting to wear off. The Roos were ripped apart by Geelong last week in a surprise result and coach Ron Barassi let his feelings be known straight after the match.

"It was the worst I've ever seen, any-time, anywhere, ever."

You can't get much more explicit than that.

And apart from the players taking part in the State game, the members of the North Melbourne side are likely to start rueing their woeful performance against Geelong over the next two weeks.

Barassi is still likely to be fuming at many training sessions to come.



"HULK" HELD

Rene Kink, the "Incredible Hulk", is letting the Collingwood side down. His current fluctuating form is proving a heart-break for coach Tom Hafey. In last Saturday's big match at the MCG, Kink was kept goalless by Richmond veteran Francis Bourke.

Kink dropped many uncontested marks and played without the confidence normally associated with one of the VFL's most explosive forwards.

Collingwood need an in-form Kink to regain their place in the five and have any chance of playing in the finals.

Hardeman to return to Victoria

Gary Hardeman, one of Victoria's greatest backmen, will return to Melbourne at the end of the season after three years at Sturt.

The all-Australian defender has decided not to renew his contract with Sturt.

Hardeman has been plagued with injuries since joining the SA club and has only managed 30 games plus three for the SA State side in three years.

He is undecided whether he will continue to play football when he returns to Melbourne, but he has not spoken to any league clubs.

Hardeman, (31), says he has been frustrated by injuries and disappointed he hasn't been able to perform at his peak.

Sturt's general manager Ross Tuohy is trying to change the backman's mind.

Tuohy says the club has had many discussions with Hardeman in the hope that he would remain with the club.

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\$1m SPORT COMPLEX

Champion footballer Neville Roberts and star cricketer David Hookes are starting up a \$1m business in Adelaide.

The two sporting identities will establish a \$1m fitness and leisure centre at West Lakes.

They will own, direct and operate the centre, the Lifestyle organisation's second in Adelaide and 17th in Australia.

The centre will incorporate a big carpeted gymnasium, heated swimming pool, aerobic studio and sauna and hydro jet baths.

Roberts and Hookes will appoint qualified instructors to supervise circuit training, jazz ballet classes and fitness sessions for executives.

Other features will include a gold-pass club, permitting members to a lavishly appointed room with a bar, bistro and sun-deck.

Roberts said it would be the most sophisticated leisure centre of its kind in Australia and would have tremendous appeal to the people of Adelaide.

He said the building would be finished by next February and it will open for business in April.

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LAWLER MAKES DEBUT

Tom Lawler, a former West Perth player, made his league debut for West Adelaide last Saturday.

Lawler, (22), made his debut on a half-back flank after being recruited this season from W.A.

He is the 45th player to be tried in West Adelaide's league line-up this year.

Also playing his first game for the club was former Collingwood player Greg Whitcroft (20).

Whitcroft was introduced to the hurly-burly of Victorian football at the tender age of 17 but managed only nine senior appearances with the Woods since then.



'WOODS SIGN WILLIAMS

Mark Williams, the talented State and Port Adelaide centreman, has signed with Collingwood.

Collingwood general manager Peter Lucas finalised the deal last week.

Lucas said he was impressed with Williams last year in the State-Of-Origin carnival in Perth when Williams played well on Brian Peake.

However, Williams said his main thoughts were on winning another premiership with Port Adelaide.

He said he was happy with the signing but all it really meant was that he would go to Collingwood if he ever went to Victoria.

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FLASHBACK...

In a match between South Fremantle and Perth in 1920 the final bell was sounded two minutes early with South leading by four points. However, the mistake was rectified and the match restarted. Perth used the 120 seconds to score a goal and the result was reversed.

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Feelings high at Leederville

Feelings ran high at Leederville Oval last week when undefeated Swan Districts travelled downtown to tackle a confident West Perth side.

The football also ran high — in one of the best games of the season, Swans maintained their unbeaten record by snatching a two-point victory in the final minutes.

West Perth had done enough to win; apart from leading by 39 points at one stage, they had also regained the lead in the hectic final few minutes after being headed by a determined Swans team.

The feelings of both camps was obvious — it was jubilation in the Swans camp — and a shattered feeling of bad luck in the Cardies camp.

Swans coach John Todd did not actually win too many friends in the West Perth camp as he gave them a pointed "thumbs up" sign as the final siren went. The picture above shows their feelings (from left) runner Brian Haley, Todd, statistician Jim Roberts and selector Bob Manning. The picture at left shows a worried Todd at three-quarter time.

Feelings ran high in the social rooms after the match as a bitterly disappointed Cardies camp licked their wounds.

The situation got a little nasty when the Weekend News sports edition arrived — and the West Perth camp were riled at comments from reporter Alan McIntosh about 'knuckle tactics' being employed. McIntosh, who calls the shots as he sees them, found himself being set upon by angry members after coach Graham Campbell took the microphone and blasted the article in some pretty hot language — for Campbell, that is.

FLASHBACK...

In 1922 Fitzroy became the first VFL club to visit WA. The side defeated West Perth and East Fremantle and then went down to a State side. Fitzroy won the VFL pennant in the same year.

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MOTHER BROWN

I thought Ken Armstrong's move to make his boys run around the oval after last week's loss to Claremont was shameful.

To my way of thinking, that sort of action is just too strong.

It was obviously intended to try to humiliate the Subiaco players, but Ken, hadn't the lads already humiliated themselves on the field? No boy goes out on the Oval to make himself, or his teammates, look silly. But you managed to do it, Ken.

If I was a Subiaco player, I would have told the club and Ken Armstrong what they could do with their jumpers and the \$100 fine. I hope I never see a repeat performance of that.

HAPPY READER

I received a letter from one of the boys who took part in the State school-boys curtain-raiser to the recent WFA-SAFA telethon match at Bassendean.

I'm sorry I couldn't decipher his name but he did thank me for giving his match some publicity in my column.

He said that the media was much too interested in what players were going to Victoria or what was happening over there.

My pleasure.

WIN AND A CUPA?

By the way, on Saturday I'm having some of my old girlfriends around to my place for the big . . . tch.

A cup of tea and scones will taste all the better if we can win.

Naturally, I hope WA represents itself well on Saturday and I also hope that our media is well represented.

MEDIA SNUB

I was amazed that we had no media representation at the recent WA-SA game and as a result, players' names were pronounced wrongly and some of the background information given was not accurate.

The eastern state commentators obviously know all about the WA players already in Melbourne but if the Escort Cup is anything to go on, they know little about the background of the WA players playing in Perth.

But how nice it is going to be being able to sit in front of the TV and watching the game and not worrying about home-and-away matches on the same day.

TODDY WRONG

If what I read was correct, I'm a little disappointed in John Todd and his attitude towards Chairman of State selectors and Subiaco president Kevin Merifield.

I appreciate that Toddy was standing up for his players but asking Mr Merifield to leave the changerooms the day that Swans had won 12 straight was not the right thing to do.

Toddy was understandably upset that some of his players were dropped from the State squad but that's no way to carry on.

Cheers,
EILEEN BROWN

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Stasinowsky had a memorable start

Chris Stasinowsky's introduction to league football might not have revealed his true ability, but it was certainly a memorable one.

Stasinowsky ran onto V.F.L. Park, Waverley to make his debut in what was one of the earliest Escort Cup matches.

"I thought I was going to Melbourne just to make up the squad, but then Laurie Richards pulled out with an injury and I found myself on the interchange bench" says Chris.

Chris remembers that 1979 game for a number of reasons.

He found the television lights and cameras glaring down at him, the huge changerooms gaping at him and the South Melbourne players deafening him with their warm-up routine.

All of this was a little unsettling and awesome for a teenager. "I was only a kid and I was very very nervous — almost frightened" he says.

But Chris remembers it for another reason as well.

"As soon as I came on, in the second quarter, I got a kick, but then I got an elbow in the nose from Len Thompson — would you forget something like that?"

His nose bled for the remainder of the game but he gradually found his feet in his tough opening encounter.

Chris, along with Paul Ramsay, is probably the pride and joy of the Westminster-Balga Football Club from where they were specially selected by the coach at the time, Graham Campbell, to attend pre-season training with West Perth.

Chris opened the 1977 season with the reserves side before playing the final two rounds of football with the colts side.

"I guess I just did not measure up to expectations" he says ruefully.

The following year Chris stayed with the colts in what proved to be a valuable grounding year for him — after all he had been taken from an under 16's side and put in the Cardie's reserves line-up.



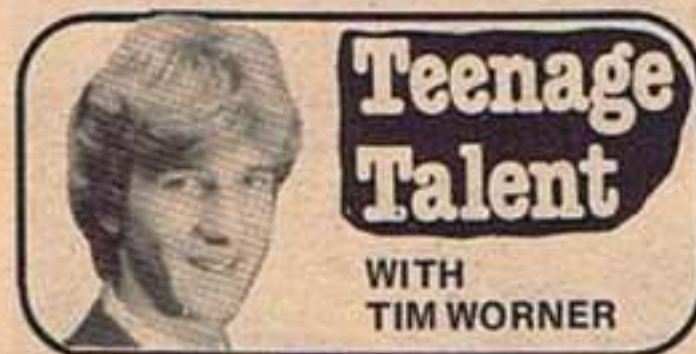
That is a tall order for any youngster to measure up to.

His football thrived in the colts and he was a proud winner of the Medallists Medal for the competition in 1978.

He played in all the scratch matches before the 1979 season before he was dropped for the opening game against Subiaco.

He was in and out of the league side for the first half of the season and then he hit his straps and consolidated his position under Graham Campbell as a ruck-rover changing off a half forward flank.

Despite a few injury problems Stasinow-



sky has never looked back. A twisted pelvis which prematurely ended the 1979 season for him was 'fixed' by chiropractor Noel Patterson and he prepared himself for what will always remain as one of the most eye-opening experiences of his football career — training with Richmond during the summer.

Chris was recruited by Noel Judkins, Richmond's recruiting officer, and commenced pre-season training with the Richmond league side under coach Tony Jewell.

On the way to his month-long stay in Melbourne Chris trained with Norwood in Adelaide. He certainly keeps a finger in every pie!

"Robert Wiley, whom I knew from the West, showed me around over at Richmond and around Melbourne" he said.

He quickly noticed the differences between the training methods in the east and those employed over here.

"Their methods are not more vigorous but a lot more intense — you just run and run until you drop".

Kevin Sheedy supervised the skills sessions.

"They are always working on their handballs or their kicks — over here when you get to the back of a line you can have a bit of a chat — over there the lines are so short because there are so many balls going you just can't stop". The Richmond boys trained for three hours at a time three days a week.

And as for Chris and Graham Campbell: "The man is a top motivator and top coach. Football life under Graham Campbell is just great — I love it".

A nagging knee injury that remained a mystery for some time kept Chris out of football for a few weeks this season.

"I went to eight different doctors and got eight different opinions — it was so frustrating.

"Eventually I found it was stretched ligaments and I just had to build them up".

A top display in the reserves against East Fremantle and Chris was re-installed in the league side for the big match against Swan Districts.

It was in this game that Chris met his toughest opponent yet in Tony Solin. "He is not the best footballer I have played on but he is the most competitive by a long way — he gives 100 percent plus and what more can you ask of a player" says Chris.

With the narrow loss behind him Chris is aiming for the 1980 premiership and then better and bigger things with West Perth. And further into the future?

"My ambition has always been to play in Victoria but I am still a long way from making any decision as to whether I will go or not".

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STEPHEN CURTIS



Earning State selection is something every footballer dreams of; it's a moment cherished in a career.

Stephen Curtis is a typical West Australian when it comes to interstate football. He thrives on the big-game atmosphere and responds to the challenge of representing his State in football battle.

The fearless East Perth back pocket specialist was first selected to play for WA at the age of 19; one of the youngest league footballers to ever don the black-and-gold guernsey. He has been a regular interstate player since 1976, and his ferocious attitude towards the game, his courage, aggression and determination has never let his State down.

Curtis is a veteran of WA football, with more than 160 league games to his credit. Yet he has only just turned 24 and that means he can almost double his tally of games played before he is 30. In fact, given a continued injury-free run and with the increasing commitments in Escort Championship matches, Curtis could well be the first player to pass the 300-game milestone while still in his 20's.

But that's a long way away. Right now, Curtis is building himself up for what he considers is his most important State appearance. Like most other West Australians, Curtis knows full well that victory is important this Saturday; the reputation of WA is on the line.

This week, on the eve of the big game, ALAN EAST talks to Curtis about his approach to interstate football:

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Name: Stephen Curtis
Born: Mt Hawthorn, 19.6.56.
Height: 5ft. 9½in. (176cm)
Weight: 12st. 4lb. (78kg)
Lives at: Mt Hawthorn
Married: Yes.
Wife's name: Gene
Children: Benjamin (20 months)
Occupation: Marine dealer
Football honours: State football since 1976; East Perth fairest and best 1977; East Perth premiership 1978.
Favourite food: Roast lamb
Favourite drink: Beer
Hobbies and relaxation: Watch sport on tele.
Football likes: Comradship among the players and what you can achieve.
Football dislikes: The back-stabbers, especially when you're not playing well.
Idols in football: Barry Cable
Hard things in football: Keeping yourself motivated to a peak week after week.
Ambitions: To play in another East Perth premiership side.
Nickname: Jacko
Came from: Dianella
League debut: 1973
Games played: 162

An interstate veteran... at 24!

How do you feel about State football; what does it mean to you?

Representing the State is a big responsibility; I'm really proud to be picked in a State side. Once you are picked it's up to the individual to mentally prepare for the match and you just have to succeed; you have to accept the responsibility. There's always some-one to take your place if you don't give everything you've got.

You have always been known as a big-game player. Do you prepare yourself any differently for interstate matches?

Yes, I regard interstate football as a step up from club football, so your mental approach has to be a bit different. You put more time and effort into your build-up. I mentally prepare myself for every game I play, be it club or State. But then it's the tempo of interstate football that seems to get you going a bit more; the atmosphere brings a bit more out of the players.

When you talk about mentally preparing yourself for a game, what do you really mean?

I take football week by week. So on Sunday, I look back over how I played, win or lose, and then Monday I start thinking about who we are playing next week and who I'll be opposed to. I think all during the week about how I can nullify my opponents and also how I can best attack. I generally know who I'll be playing on, so by the time Saturday comes, all I want to do is get out there and go.

Do you find yourself doing things on Saturday afternoon that you did plan during the week?

Yes, sometimes I look at an opponent and I think that I have to be a spoiler against him; have to punch the ball away from him more because maybe he's a good mark. So when I start doing it in the match I realise it's a result of my weekly build-up. When you do it and it comes off, it gives you that extra confidence.

One of the players you will obviously be guarding this week is Leigh Matthews. How do you play him?

I've played on him a couple of times. He's a good player; very strong and tough. If you look at a player like him, you can't look for his weaknesses, because he doesn't seem to have any. But I think he is a little slower than I am, so I know I have to be in front of him all day, to use that extra bit of pace to beat him to the ball. But Gary Wilson is a bit different. He's taller and a good mark, so I have to play him tighter; stand right on his toes and feel him all the time to stop him from marking over me.

Your first game in interstate football was in 1976. What can you remember about it?

Yes, it was against Victoria at Subiaco Oval. We got beaten by about eight goals. I know Kevin Bartlett was one rover I was opposed to. But I felt I played reasonably well that day; I was proud of the way I played and I was fortunate to keep my place. I was very nervous and the hardest thing I found was mixing in with the other State players, especially the experienced ones. There wasn't a lot of talking. Unfortunately, as we were getting beaten the confidence dropped and players got demoralised. Then it becomes individual efforts among the players.



Stephen Curtis gets some assistance with his packing from wife Gene and baby son Benjamin.

How hard is it to get together as a team for State football when you are in the middle of weekly club competition?

It's very hard. It was proved in that last State game against South Australia where they had been working together for six or eight weeks and we only had a couple of runs together. You try hard to get to know your team-mates, but sometimes there just isn't enough time. I believe we should pick a State squad three or four weeks before the game, even if it's a squad of 40, and train together till the eve of the match, maybe cutting it down gradually like a league pre-season training squad. One night a week would be acceptable in the middle of club football.

What's your best memory of interstate football?

The first State-Of-Origin match in Perth, in 1977, when we beat the Vics. That was unbelievable. We had been thrashed the year before and leading up to this match we all knew it was going to be hard. We knew we had our backs to the wall, but we all knew we just had to give it a go, put everything in and hope something comes. But then we had a bloke like Barry Cable arrive, who had just been successful with North Melbourne. When he arrived, he was just so full of confidence. We were going to win it and that was all there was about it; his confidence just rubbed off on to the other players.

You are a veteran of the interstate arena. Does it get easier or harder?

Harder. I say to myself, well I've done well to stay in the team, but I have to keep doing well or even better. There are plenty of guys coming up who are playing well in my position, so the pressure is on to pro-

vide just that little bit extra. The selectors look on the experienced players to give that bit extra as well.

Have you ever put in a real bad State game?

Yes, against South Australia when we beat them in the Centenary year, 1977. Even though we won by seven points and it was a good team performance, I felt it wasn't a good game from me. I didn't get a lot of kicks and I just didn't feel as though I had put in enough.

You have developed as a back pocket specialist. But there are times when East Perth use you elsewhere. Do you feel that might jeopardise your State team berth?

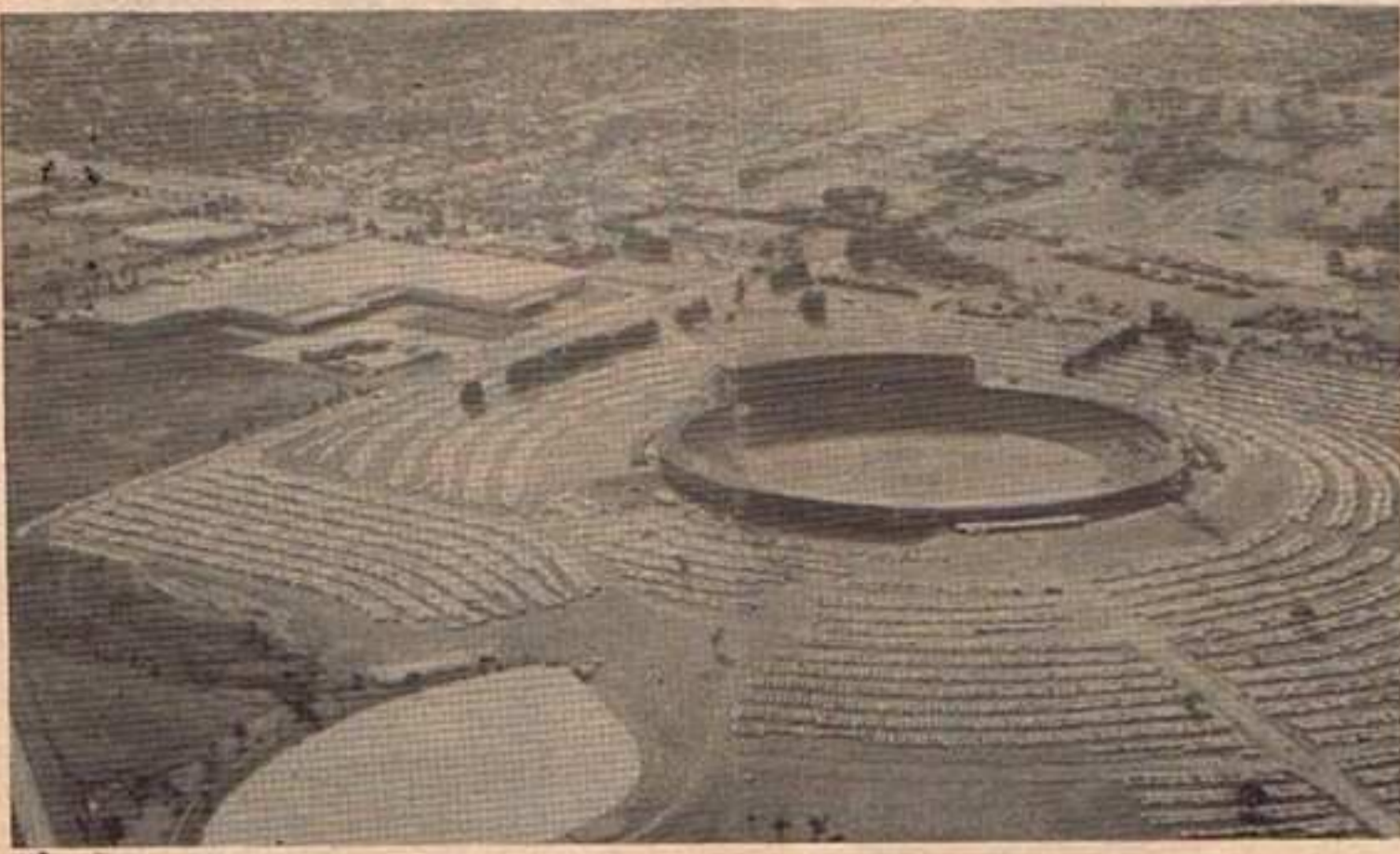
No, I never think of that. In fact, it's the opposite. If I'm playing ruck-roller and do well, then the State selectors know that I'm in form and they can't really not put me back into defence. They know I've played that position before and that's where I play my best football, so it doesn't worry me at all.

Have you always been a back pocket specialist?

No, in reserves I played on a half-forward flank. My first two league games were on the reserves bench, but then Ken Deards got injured and my first full game was in his back pocket spot. The majority of my games have been there since then. I like playing there; I find I can read the ball better in defence.

What about this game on Saturday?

I see it as a real hard game. We got thrashed in Melbourne two years ago. We had a few players down, especially some in the VFL, but this year the attitude seems different.



V.F.L. Park now a decade old

The venue for Saturday's State-Of-Origin match - VFL Park - recently celebrated its 10th birthday.

The ground which officially opened in 1970 is continually being improved and expanded. Already, in its short life the playing area has been excavated and reconstructed to provide a better surface.

The VFL's plan to have a football "home" of its own was formulated in 1958 - only two years after the MCG had been upgraded to host the Olympic Games and many thought the VFL would be satisfied to have a permanent headquarters at that ground.

After four years of investigations and discussions, the league purchased 200 acres of land at Waverley for \$208,900 in 1962. Another four years went by before con-

struction commenced on the site - 15 miles from Melbourne - on January 5, 1966. Building continued without a break until 1975.

The first match was played between Fitzroy and Geelong on April 18, 1970. At that time the stadium had accommodation for about 60,000 (20,000 seated). However, by the end of the 1970 season, the ground capacity had grown to 69,000 of which 42,000 were seated.

The first final round matches were played there in 1972, and the first interstate game was played at the ground in 1973. In that game 42,620 people saw the VFL beat Western Australia. By 1973 the "Park" had admitted 27,000 members and had applications for a further 16,000.

During 1974 the car parking areas were increased by 5,000 spaces to a 25,000 car capacity. The following year a 42-bay extension to the public stand was completed.

In 1977 \$1 million was spent to provide lighting and the following year the ground achieved a new record when it was used for 58 separate sporting fixtures in one year.

VFL Park now has over 40,000 members and dozens of private boxes (four and six seat cubicles) which are leased annually to individuals and business firms. All facilities, including bars, dining rooms, changerooms, electronic scoreboards, fast food outlets, turnstile and seating have been planned to provide utmost efficiency.



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- 3 LES FONG (West Perth) Rover. Age 23. Height 5ft 7in. Weight 11st 3lb. Games - club 134, State 2.
- 4 PHIL KRAKOUER (Claremont) Rover. Age 20. Height 5ft 7 in. Weight 10st 9lb. Games - club 59, State 0.
- 7 BRIAN PEAKE (East Fremantle) Centre. Age 26. Height 5ft 10in. Weight 13.8. Games - club 174, State 12.
- 8 ROSS PRUNSTER (Perth) Centre. Age 28 Height 5ft 11in. Weight 12.6. Games - club 7 Perth; 159 West Perth. State 1.
- 9 MAURICE RIOLI (South Fremantle) Centre. Age 22. Height 5ft 8in. Weight 11st 10lb. Games - club 98, State 3.
- 10 IAN WILLIAMS (Swan Districts) Ruck-rover. Age 22. Height 6ft. Weight 12st. Games - club 29, State 1.
- 11 STEPHEN CURTIS (East Perth) Back pocket. Age 23 Height 5.9½. Weight 12st 4lb. Games - club 162, State 9.
- 12 JOHN HAYES (East Perth) Defender. Age 29. Height 6ft 1in. Weight 12st 4lb. Games - club 147 East Perth; 39 Claremont; 11 West Adelaide. State 9.
- 14 STAN NOWOTNY (Swan Districts) Utility. Age 29. Height 6ft. Weight 13.4. Games - club 210, State 6.
- 15 BRIAN COOK (Perth) Defender. Age 26. Height 6ft 2in. Weight 13st 6lb. Games - club 164, State 2.
- 16 PETER FEATHERBY (Geelong) Ruck-rover/utility. Age 28. Height 6ft 1in. Weight 12st 10lb. Games - club 109 Subiaco; 42 Footscray; 14 Geelong. State 11.
- 17 PETER BOSUSTOW (Perth) Full-forward. Age 22. Height 6ft ½in. Weight 13st. Games - club 106. State 4.
- 18 KEN HUNTER (Claremont) Half-back. Age 23. Height 6ft. Weight 12st. Games - club 91, State 5.
- 19 BRUCE MONTEATH (Richmond) Ruck-rover. Age 24. Height 6ft 2½in. Weight 13st. Games - club 57 South Fremantle; 110 Richmond. State 6 WA.
- 20 RON ALEXANDER (Fitzroy) Ruckman. Age 29. Height 6ft 5in. Weight 15st 7lb. Games - club 102 Fitzroy; 98 East Perth. State 8 WA; 1 Victoria.
- 21 DOUG GREEN (South Melbourne) Defender. Age 28. Height 6ft 2in. Weight 13st 7lb. Games - club 1 South Melbourne; 172 East Fremantle. State 12.
- 23 STEPHEN MICHAEL (South Fremantle) Ruckman. Age 24. Height 6.2. Weight 14.2 Games - club 130, State 9.
- 25 GRAHAM MOSS (Claremont) Ruckman. Age 30. Height 6ft 5in. Weight 15st 10lb. Games - club 173 Claremont; 87 Essendon. State 14 WA; 5 Victoria.
- 26 ROSS GLENDINNING (North Melbourne) Defender. Age 23. Height 6ft 2in. Weight 13st 8lb. Games - club 57 North Melbourne; 54 East Perth. State 3 WA.
- 28 MIKE FITZPATRICK (Carlton) Ruckman. Age 27. Height 6.4. Weight 14.4. Games - 76 Carlton; 62 Subiaco. State 8 WA; 1 Vic.
- 29 GARRY SIDEBOTTOM (St Kilda) Centre-half-forward. Age 24. Height 6.4. Weight 15.6. Games - 51 St Kilda; 80 Swan Districts. State 8.

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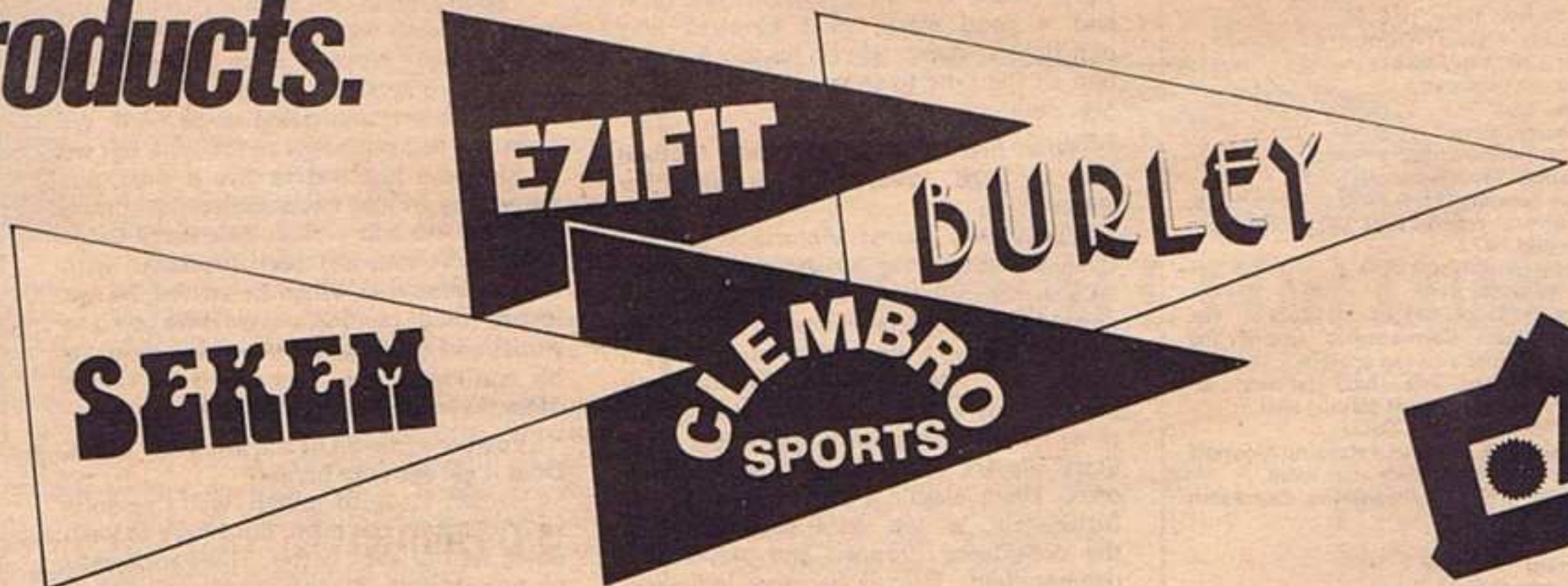
Westside Football will send its own team to Melbourne this weekend to cover the build-up and big match at VFL Park on Saturday.

Writers Alan East, Peter Poat and photographer Richie Hann will be on hand to report all the action.

A full coverage will appear in next week's edition.

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- 7 GEOFF RAINES (Richmond) Centre. Age 23. Height 5ft 11½in. Weight 12st 4lb. Games - Club 82, State 1.
- 8 KEVIN BARTLETT (Richmond) Rover. Age 33. Height 5ft 9in. Weight 11st 3lb. Games - Club 332, State 14.
- 9 MICHAEL TURNER (Geelong) Wing. Age 25. Height 6ft. Weight 11st 10lb. Games - Club 120, State 3.
- 11 DAVID CLOKE (Richmond) Centre-half-forward. Age 25. Height 6ft 5½in. Weight 15st 9lb. Games - Club 132, State 2.
- 12 JEFF DUNNE (St Kilda) Back pocket. Age 24. Height 5ft 10in. Weight 12st. Games - Club 51, State 0.
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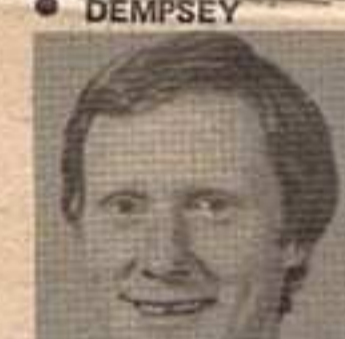
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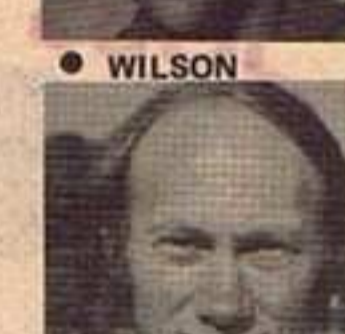
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The day it all began

Saturday, October 8, 1977 - the day the interstate football arena changed shape.

Clashes between the Big White V - the Victorian Football League - and the Western Australian Football League have been going on since 1904 when the VFL notched a 14.10 to 8.11 victory.

WA victories have been few and far between - in fact, only 10 in those many encounters up till 1977.

But then the Subiaco Football Club - under the guidance of promotions man Leon Larkin - introduced a new concept: State of Origin football.

The stars who had turned their backs on club football in WA to stake a claim to glory in the hurly-burly of the VFL were suddenly back in the black-and-gold colours. Players like Barry Cable, Bruce Monteath, Max Richardson, Neil Balme, Stan Magro, George Young, Kevin Worthington and Ian Miller were welcomed back into the WA fold.

The match was scheduled for the end of the season, immediately after the Victorian grand final, which was a week after the WA grand final. However, a draw in the VFL grand final almost threw the scheme out the window. But it survived and it was an enthusiastic team of West Australians who tore into the Victorian team as though football was going to be wiped out forever.

At quarter-time it was a shell-shocked crowd of 25,467 fans who looked at the

scoreboard: 6.5 to WA; nil to the mighty Vics.

The West Australians screamed support for their players; forgetting club loyalties, and the locals went on to win 23.13 to 8.9 in the most memorable interstate match of all time.

The next year the Vics took the State-of-Origin carnival a bit more seriously; they atoned for that defeat with a comfortable victory over WA in Melbourne; with the visitors again falling foul to the conditions.

So the State-of-Origin concept then came to carnival football at the end of last year as all Australian states converged on Perth for the initial carnival under this exciting new system.

WA, with those Victorian-based stars back in the side, cruised through to the final and with the State's 150th celebrations featuring prominently in the build-up, the home side went on to victory, grabbing the title of Australian champions with untold glee.

The controversial argument of mid-season or end-of-season interstate football continues to thrive, but one thing is for sure - State-of-Origin matches are here to stay; they are what the public want to see; they give WA the chance to field their BEST side, regardless of where the footballers are currently playing.

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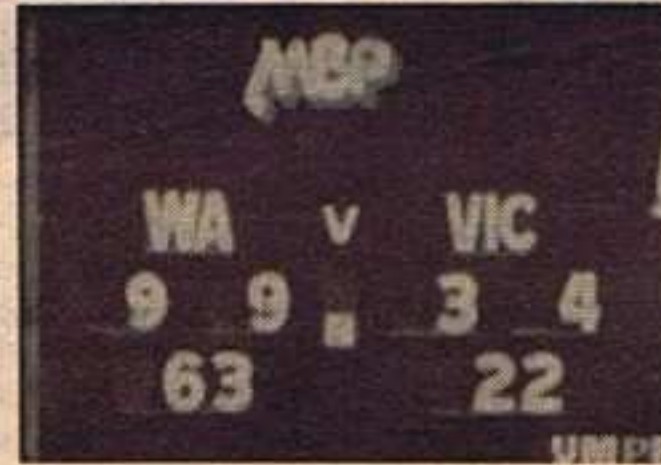
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7. Max Richardson is surrounded by jubilant autograph hunters after the big victory.
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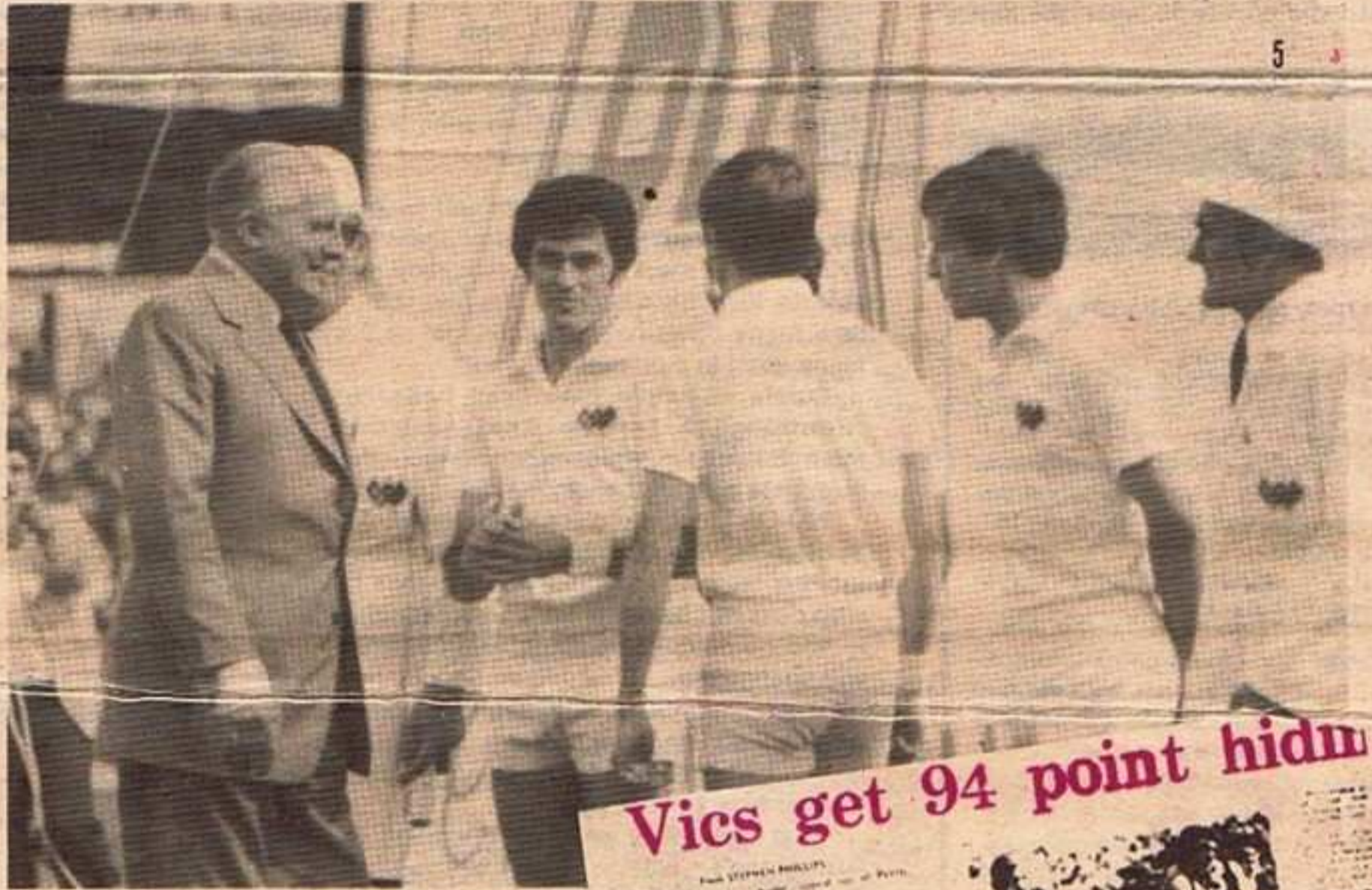
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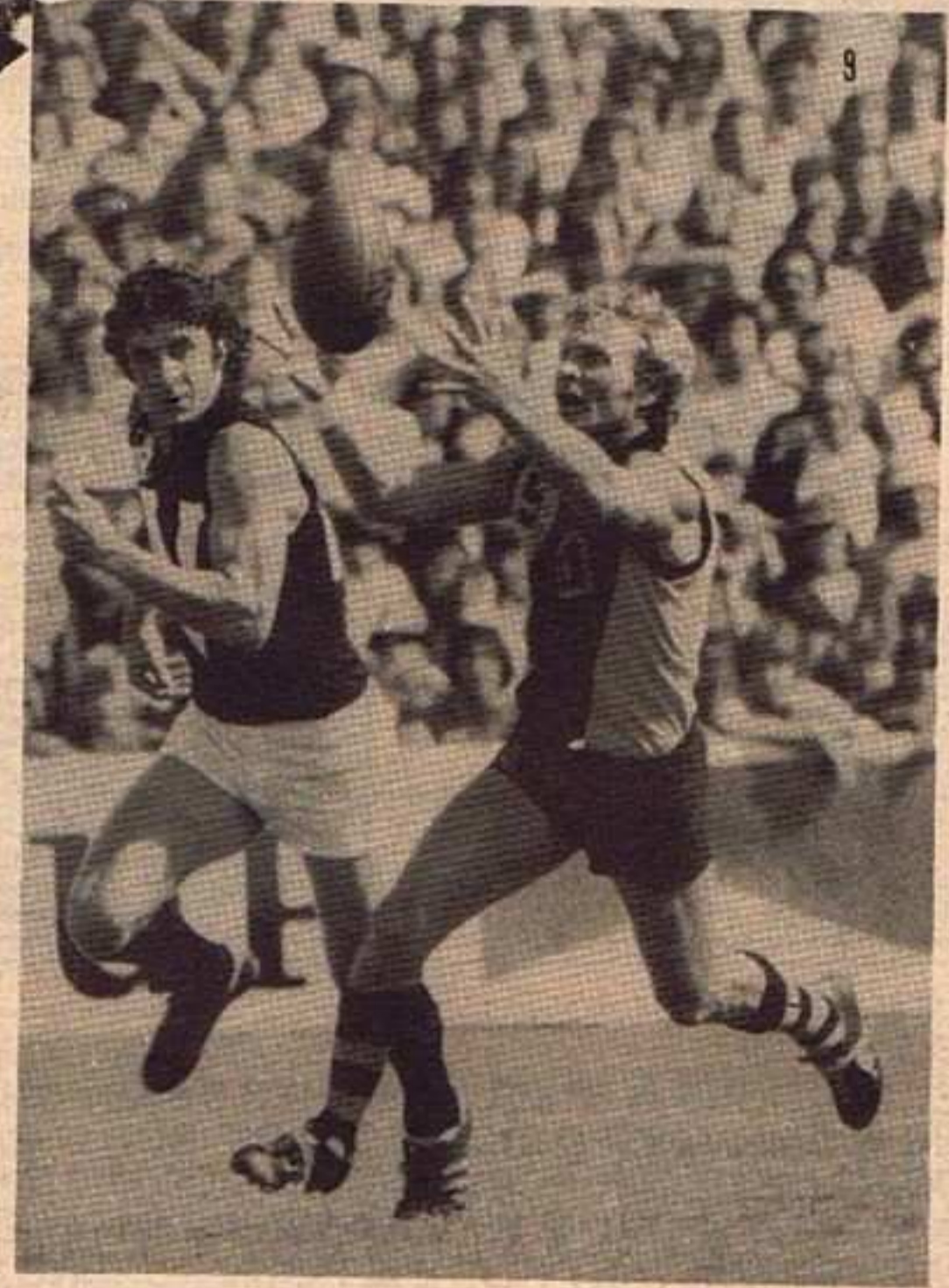


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BENNETT'S BURST



League football in WA dropped to a low ebb last Saturday when Subiaco coach Ken Armstrong humiliated players as punishment for their poor performance against Claremont.

No matter how you look at it, Armstrong's attitude cannot be justified.

If it was meant to give his players a psychological jar, then I believe it backfired. League footballers have to put up with a great deal, mainly at their own time and expense, and don't deserve the kind of treatment metered out by Armstrong.

Perhaps he should look at himself instead of his players. I wonder how much respect his players have for him following his degrading move.

If the Subiaco players earned a living from football, then Armstrong and the club are entitled to deal with them as they see fit... but they DO not.

What Armstrong did, in my opinion, was purile... akin to sending a school-child into the corner to wear the dunce's hat.

It's about time that those at Subiaco realised that the club just does not have the skilled or experienced players of other clubs.

Armstrong has no right to be frustrated with his players. He knew what he was taking on when he took over Subiaco. Miracles don't happen overnight. Ask John Todd.

The irony of the situation is that by giving a magnificent and gutsy performance the previous week against league leaders Swan Districts, the Subiaco players created an expectation that they weren't able to live up to.

Subiaco president Kevin Merifield claims that Subiaco's performance was the worst in 23 years of the club.

It could be claimed that Claremont's performance in kicking only 3.4 the previous week, and 1.3 for three quarters was one of their worst ever efforts, yet Graham Moss didn't react in such a knee jerk way.

OK, Subiaco's performance was pathetic for three quarters, but after taking a drubbing for most of the match they were able to kick nine goals in the last term — how many times have Subiaco kicked that many goals in a quarter this year.

Surely it would have been better for Armstrong to have salvaged something from Subiaco's performance rather than humiliate players the way he did.

NO-ONE likes to be humiliated. The Subiaco players have had to put up with a lot this season. The simple fact is that the club does not have the talent of other clubs — and no amount of abuse or punishment will change that.

It can be argued that Armstrong has a proven track record and that to lecture him is a bit like trying to teach your grandmother how to suck eggs.

That may very well be the case, but Armstrong's action goes beyond the Subiaco Football Club. It has tainted the image of WA football. **ROBERT BENNETT**

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GARY'S GOSSIP



Apparently I have stirred up a hornet's nest down Claremont way. As you know a couple of weeks ago I told a rumour which alleged that Claremont had made an approach to Graham Farmer to coach them in 1981. The reason being that "Mossie" has such a massive on-field involvement and allied responsibility that the Tiger's hierarchy felt it would be more efficient and easier all round to have a non-player experienced coach on the side-lines. Well that's how the rumour went anyway. However, the follow-up rumour is even more interesting — according to my spies Claremont are also alleged to have made a similar approach to Cardies' coach Graham Campbell some weeks ago. Food for thought isn't it? Interesting that Graham Farmer was a special football guest in Albany the other week too — Albany just happens to be part of Claremont's country zoning.

MUNRO A REAL FIND

One of the better recruits of this 1980 season is Subiaco's find of full-forward Peter Munro. Peter had a late start, yet he has notched 37 goals for the Lions which is not a bad effort in a side that is currently being "walloped" by most other teams. Munro, who hails from Terrigal in Victoria, played 28 league games with Footscray before heading West for Swan Districts. According to Peter he got short change at Bassendean. They just weren't interested, however Subiaco were and the rest is history. Peter probably lacks height as a full-forward, but what he lacks in this department he certainly makes it even with his aggressive ground play and follow-up. In retrospect, what a plus he would have been at South Fremantle — Oh well, never mind Malcolm — you can't win them all.

OFFERS TO TREW

Kim Trew seems to have settled down at Claremont again, after what was an apparently trying period a few weeks ago when "Mossie" was away with the State side. My information is that Kim came in for some pretty rough old comments from some of our Claremont officials, which really upset him. So much so, that Trew was apparently prepared to leave "Tigerland". However, as I said all appears to be quiet again now and just as well as I believe that Collingwood made Kim a \$30,000 offer, Sturt were next best according to the rumour with \$20,000.

THE BIG MATCH

I am really looking forward to Channel Seven's direct coverage at the big State of Origin match this week. Channel Seven have made arrangements for a live introduction to the game from Barry Cable's hospital bed at Royal Perth. John K. Watts and I will be joining Barry and it is hoped that we will have a two-way "split screen" conversation with our Melbourne counterparts, Ian Richards, Peter Landy and Bob Skilton. I will then leave late on Saturday night for Melbourne to attend HSV-7's World of Sport programme as a guest — once again we hope to present a novel two-way split screen affair showing the Melbourne and Perth football panels discussing the W.A. versus Victoria match. So the message is stay on Seven for football.

Snippets — Subiaco have signed or re-signed big ruckman Gary Fee. Cariton have apparently signed young Subiaco defender Brad Lohar.

GARY CARVOLTH

SANDOVER MEDAL GUIDE

This weekly survey is designed to help the keen football follower keep an up-to-date guide for the Sandover Medal. Each week we list the major media voting on a 3-2-1 basis and leave room for you to fill in the voting by the umpires when Sandover Medal night arrives. This form guide, which should be cut out and clipped in a file, will give you an easy-to-read indicator of the consistency and form of our leading players. It also provides an interesting comparison of the best-on-ground lists compiled by the various media.

JUNE 28	West Australian	Sunday Times	Sunday Independent	Weekend News	TVW 7	6PM	6PR	6IX	Umpires
Perth v East Fremantle	Geoff Christian: C. Shepherd (P) Doyle (P) Green (EF)	Geoff Woner: Kimberley (P) Doyle Peake (EF)	R. Inder-Smith: Shepherd Johnson (P) Peake	Paul Simpson: Shepherd Peake Doyle	John Rogers: Shepherd Kimberley Frost (P)	Jack Sweet: Shepherd Doyle Roberts (P)	Oscar Howard: Kimberley Johnson Shepherd	Laurie Nugent: Shepherd Kimberley Frost	Capes/O'Reilly
West Perth v Swan Districts	John Sheterline: Richardson (SD) Williams (SD) Fong (WP)	Rob Bennett: Neesham (SD) Fong Boucher (SD)	Bob Cribb: Hillier (WP) Richardson Fong	Robbie Burns: Richardson Hillier Neesham	Kevin Murray: Neesham Hillier Richardson	Joe Fanchi: Richardson Hillier Blackaby (SD)	Peter Van Helden: Neesham Hillier Boucher	Frank Sparrow: Gibbs (WP) Richardson Hillier	Buckey/Hearne
South Fremantle v East Perth	Colin Hopkins: Vasoli (SF) Rioli (SF) Curtis (EP)	Rod Lane: Carter (SF) Rioli Vasoli	Kevin O'Brien: Vasoli Carter Rioli	Peter Sweeney: Carter Rioli Shaw (SF)	Steve Marsh: Rioli Vasoli Carter	Colin Hopkins: Vasoli Rioli Curtis	Bob Hicks: Rioli Vasoli Carter	Roley Daw: Vasoli Rioli Carter	Morris/Lendich
Subiaco v Claremont	A. Carew-Reid: J. Krakouer (C) Annear (C) Moss (C)	Alan East: J. Krakouer Annear Ralph (C)	Julian Stawell: J. Krakouer Annear Moss	Doug Young: J. Krakouer Annear Gooding (C)	Marty McDonnell: J. Krakouer Ralph Annear	Allan Stiles: J. Krakouer Annear Moss	Alan East: J. Krakouer Annear Ralph	Phil Mulcahy: J. Krakouer Aitken (C) Trew (C)	Powell/Troode

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Chubby's Chatter

Demon supporters, don't get too excited! The emergence of Perth as a final four prospect must be looked at carefully. Admittedly they have won six matches to put them one game out of the four but the victories have come against bottom sides... East Fremantle, Subiaco and East Perth. Perth must now show they are capable of knocking off top sides and that job must start next week against Claremont. Why the improvement at Perth? I put it down to the improved form of stalwart backmen Brian Cook and Ken Inman; the emergence of Darryl Harris as a solid fullback; the steadiness of the centre line plus the improvement of Bruce Tschirpig and Bryan Cousins on the ball. Perth have always had players capable of kicking goals but now with a tighter backline, a winning centreline and a hard working ruckman in Greg Frost, the opportunities to score have increased. An East Fremantle player told me this week he thought Perth had improved enough to make a decent fight for the four. I hope he's right.

HILLIER MAKES IT BACK

A lot has been said about different players making comebacks after injury and lack of form. One player who has not had the same publicity as others is West Perth centreman Stuart Hillier. Hillier came back from Adelaide last year after sustaining a knee injury which prevented him from being a regular member of the Glenelg team. Though his form was down last year, this season he has proved to be a valuable cog in the West Perth team, and in last Saturday's game against Swan Districts, he proved his worth and the confidence his coach Graham Campbell has for him. It was one of the first times that a player has outpointed Swan Districts' Mike Smith.

VANTAGE POINTS

Last Saturday's West Perth-Swan Districts game proved a point for Subiaco coach Ken Armstrong. Three to four years ago, Armstrong asked the then president of Perth Vince Yovich, to put forward at a league directors meeting a proposal that all grounds should have coaches' boxes for both home and away coaches. At the same time these should be at a good vantage point and should have a telephone link-up and not a two-way. Ken Armstrong tells a story when he was reserves coach for Perth and Mal Atwell was coach, that Atwell was standing at a high vantage point using a two-way radio and the Kalamunda Fire Brigade told him to get off the line.

TODDY'S FLICK

Coaches have enough problems each Saturday without worrying about hecklers. I know from my own experience in past years when I was unfortunate enough to be a reserve, what they can go through at times (I don't say John Todd's actions were right or wrong, all I am saying is that they need to be away from public pressures). Kevin Merifield, Chairman of Directors of the Subiaco Football Club, put forward this coaches' boxes point about a month ago to the league directors and they are currently looking at this problem.

ALLAN STILES



WESTSIDE WIZZARD

Due to heavy space commitments over the past couple of weeks our Westside Wizzard has been unable to publish his regular column.

However, he is back today with the answers to three more queries.

If you have a question for the Wizzard you should address your letter to P.O. Box 153, Morley.

The authors of all questions published receive a double pass to a City Theatre or Line Drive In. Anyone stumping the Wizzard with a question on LEAGUE football receives twelve months free subscription to Westside Football.

G. Robson, Blackbutt Road, Woodlands, asks:

Who, in the 1960's, was the Subiaco

coach dismissed mid-season and who was his replacement?

In 1963 D. Cuzens was replaced by R. Browning.

M. Andrew, Farnley Street, Mount Lawley, asks:

Who was the umpire that umpired all four final round matches in the 1942 season?

F.V. Ryan

R. Camm, Manning St., Mosman Park, asks:

What is the highest score in a drawn game in WA league football?

Swan Districts 18.11 drew with West Perth 17.17 at Bassendean Oval in 1946.

DAVE CLEMENT



Plenty of brothers

Blood is thicker than water with 12 players at six of the W.A.F.L. clubs.

Brothers have always been prominent in WA football but this year they seem to be everywhere.

The most famous footballing brothers would have to be Jim and Phil Krakouer at Claremont and the Narkles - Keith and Phil at Swan Districts.

But we've also got the Simms and Shephards at Perth, the Lewis boys at Claremont and the Taylors at East Fremantle.

Brothers have not always played in the same team though; remember the Marinko boys, Don and Ray. They both started with West Perth, Ray went to East Perth and played against Don and then returned to West, Don went to East Perth and played in games against Ray's team West.

Then there were the Foleys, Des at East Perth and Brian at West Perth. The Kellys, Des at South Fremantle and Brian at East Perth.

In the 1941 grand final the Tetley brothers were on opposite sides, Laurie with East Fremantle and Max with West Perth.

In the 1912 VFL grand final Vic Belcher captained South Melbourne, his brother Alan captained Essendon, the winners.

Probably the most sets of brothers to play with a league side in one year was at

The Krakouers Phil and Jim



South Fremantle in 1969. Garry and Graham Scott, Tony and Greg Ryan, Danny and Branco Civich and Tom and Don Grijusich.

Brothers in State sides don't occur very often but I recall the Bauskis boys Ray and Eddie in 1976, Graeme and John Riley in 1970, Ray and Trevor Schofield in 1952, Don and Ray Scott in 1948 and Jim and Dinny Conway in 1947.

Some of the footballing brothers to play in a premiership side over the years have been:-

- 1970 John and Graeme Riley (SF)
- 1960 Don and Ray Marinko (WP)
- 1951 Ray and Trevor Schofield (WP)
- 1957 Les and Des Anderson (EF)
- 1955 Roy and Keith Harper (P)
- 1945/46 Alan and Ken Ebbs (EF)
- 1946 Jim & Dinny Conway (EF)
- 1938 George and Syd Moloney (C)

Football's brothers will be featured pictorially in the near future.



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SUNDAY SCENE



Rivalry in big clash

Hundreds of dollars in side wagers are likely to change hands when top W.A.F.A. teams Wanneroo and South Perth clash at Kingsway Reserve on Sunday.

The fierce rivalry between the two clubs came to a head when South Perth unexpectedly beat last year's premiers in a first round encounter.

That's the only time the 'Roos have been beaten this year and their supporters want revenge — and they are prepared to put up plenty of money to say their team is tops.

South Perth supporters have not been shy about accepting the challenge — betting plunges of about \$2000 have been forecast.

Despite their first round loss, Wanneroo will go into the game as favourites. South Perth's stocks slumped last week when they lost to bottom team Melville.

But the gale-force winds that marred all matches last Sunday had a lot to do with that defeat and Souths are confident they can make it two out of two against the Roos.

Their hopes received a giant-sized boost this week when they lured top rover Kim Castle back from South Fremantle for this game.

Castle, the winner of the British Paints award for the fairest and best in the W.A.F.A. last year, has been in good form with Souths reserves team this season and has been seldom out of the best players.

Since Castle left, South Perth have struggled to find a top-class rover.

Castle will need to be at his best to match Wanneroo's in-form rover Ross Parker. His job will be made harder because the Roos ruck division of Peter Ellis and Phil Brown is in good form and will make it hard for Souths small men.

South Perth will be looking for a big game from centre-half-forward Ron Bayens, a player whose form has been patchy since joining the Sunday club several weeks ago.

Bayens, a former Subiaco and State player, will have a difficult job opposed to Wanneroo centre-half-back Greg Parker.



Peter Ellis

Another South Perth player who could have his hands full is defender Ian Gibson. He is likely to be given the task of stopping prolific goal kicker Colin Northcott because regular full back Robbie Moroni is under a cloud because of injury.

While the Wanneroo-South Perth clash will steal the lime-light, it will not be the only top game on Sunday.

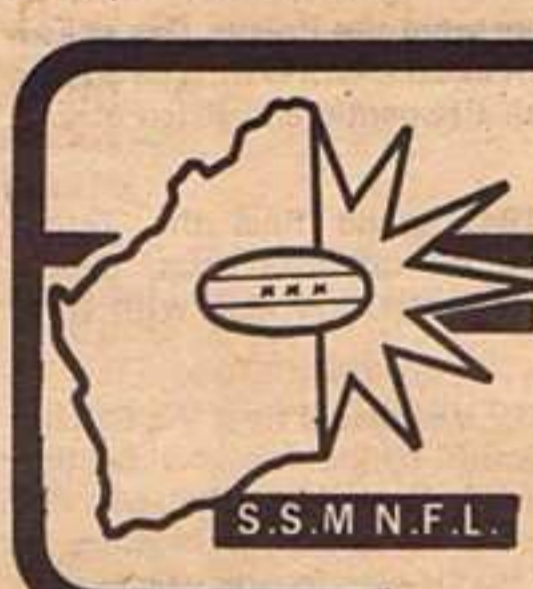
Mosman Park, who grabbed a place in the four when they beat Applecross last week, play the hot-and-cold Osborne Park at Davis Oval.

Mosman, with Bob Argoon, Barry Haydinger and captain-coach Gavin Hambley all in top form, should win. But if they strike Osborne on one of the "on" days they could be in trouble.

Cockburn were knocked out of the four when they were beaten by Wanneroo, will be anxious to make up for lost ground when they play Melville at Stock Road.

But Melville will be choc-full of confidence after beating South Perth last week.

Applecross will be also after revenge because of their loss to Mosman and they should beat Metropolitan-Victoria Park at Shirley Strickland Oval.



Kwinana survive

Kwinana kept the South Suburban-Murray competition alive as a seven-team contest for finals berths when they downed Canning in a strong wet-weather game last week — and the battle continues this Sunday.

Kelmscott also survived a crucial test — but by the barest of margins — and so the struggle for those vital five positions in the finals is still anybody's guess.

Kwinana, a game and percentage out of the five, had to beat second-side Canning to keep in touch and they did it by 13 points — but that was a handsome margin in the conditions. This week Kwinana face Kenwick — at Mills Park — and it's a battle with a lot of rewards for the winner.

The two sides have now become locked together on 32 premiership points, sitting just outside the five. The loser, therefore, will find it hard to make up the lost ground as most of the top-five sides play bottom-half teams.

Kenwick, with Wayne Ogg back to form, ruckman Kevin Beale thriving in the conditions and defender Peter Hughes continuing his good form, put up a gutsy display against Kelmscott in a match that saw them lose 3.11 to 3.10. At home this week they could well open up a handy gap over one of their top-five rivals by winning at the expense of Kwinana.

Kwinana's effort in downing Canning showed just how hard they are to predict — and to curb. It was that mercurial Barry Cooper who shrugged off the conditions to be best afield and damaging half-forward Lou Schickel was again in a destructive mood.

It will be a tough game — another 'grand final' for both sides.

Gosnells is the other top-five contender in the hot seat this week as they go to Mandurah to tackle the seemingly-impossible task of downing the league leaders.

Mandurah put paid to any hope of a revival by Kalamunda when they travelled up to Hartfield Park and left with a 14-goal victory to their credit. It was a typical display by nuggetty little Greg Wright, who loves those slippery conditions, that set the pattern for a Mandurah victory.

This week they should account for Gosnells — but the Len Anderson camp



WATCH THE AMATEURS

With a bye in the W.A. Football League fixtures this Saturday the football public are urged to take the opportunity to watch the top alternative Saturday afternoon football — the 'A' League W.A. amateur football league teams in action.

Games this week are: Old Wesley v Nollamara at Lathlain Park; Mt Lawley v Maylands at Perth Oval; Wembley v Carlisle at Leederville; C.B.C. v University at Fremantle Oval; Bayswater v Collegians at Bassendean Oval. All games start at 2.30 and admission is free.

Undoubtedly the game of the season (apart from finals) should be the clash between unbeaten Nollamara and Old Wesley (with only one loss to Nollamara in their first encounter). The winner will take top spot. Nollamara, already heading for their best season, will find Old Wesley an entirely different team than last time.

Both teams should provide spectators with a glimpse of some of the best players in WA amateur football, having eight State players between them.

Old Wesley have the ability in the following division with a potential match winner ruckman Brad Gray in top form.

Mt Lawley, hanging onto fourth spot by virtue of percentage, must defeat Maylands by a large margin to hold that position. They have the ability to do so, but they must give four consistent quarters of football to be a premiership contender.

Collegians, since the inclusion of top players Alan Rose, Geoff Curran and with class ruckman John Bedges, have to gain valuable percentage against Bayswater. A high score could enable them to take fourth position for the first time this year, and this is not beyond them.

University face the same task as both Mt Lawley and Collegians, trying to make up their low percentage. Their game against C.B.C. gives them that opportunity.

Wembley, running hot and cold, should maintain third spot by accounting for Carlisle — although the Carlisle team provided the upset win of the season the last time they met.

Results of last weeks games: University 12.14 d Bayswater 7.7. Carlisle 18.3 d C.B.C. 17.4. Old Wesley 17.11 d Mt Lawley 13.13 after being down 4 goals during the last term. Nollamara 18.9 d Maylands 13.17. Collegians 15.3 d Wembley 7.8. A six goal burst in the 1st quarter whilst holding Wembley scoreless paved the way for a good win.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE 'A' LEAGUE

	F	A	%	Pts
NOLLAMARA	1333	871	153	44
OLD WESLEY	1345	783	171	40
WEMBLEY	1245	1020	122	28
MT LAWLEY	1114	853	130	24
COLLEGIANS	1019	839	121	24
UNIVERSITY	1035	907	114	24
MAYLANDS	1077	1120	96	16
CARLISLE	870	1304	66	12
C.B.C.	725	1644	44	8
BAYSWATER	646	1299	49	0

THANKS TO SWANS

The State Amateur Squad were guests of Swan Districts F.C. and president John Cooper after playing that club's reserves/colts team last Sunday. The Amateur League thanks the Swan Districts club for assistance in their preparation for the coming interstate clash against S.A. Amateurs at Leederville Oval on Saturday July 12th.

Subiaco success

Subiaco may be having a few problems out in the football arena... but their social life is a roaring success. The players held a special Sunday afternoon Revue at the clubhouse last week — and turned on a hilarious show for the packed social rooms. You can't say the Subiaco supporters aren't loyal, can you?



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Inquiry into juniors

The WAFL is conducting an extensive investigation into junior football.

The investigation has been instigated from Junior Management Board level and is basically designed to see where junior football is going.

People like sports medicine experts Frank Pyke, Brian Douge and Ken Smith will pool ideas with junior development people such as Les House and Len Pavy to examine all aspects of junior football.

There are something like 45,000 juniors playing football each week in WA and there is an urgent need to re-assess the current programme and to plan for future development.

WAFL Development Officer, Richard Walker, sees an urgent need to develop junior football in schools, particularly secondary schools, and he sees such an investigation as a way of finding out where junior football should be going.

The action is fast and furious in the R & I little league — as this picture from Leederville oval last week shows.

More than 3000 boys aged 12 or under take part in the little league competition over the year . . . and some of the earliest little leaguers are now in senior ranks. In this game



WESTSIDE FOOTBALL JUNIOR QUIZ

They say that footballers are starting younger every year . . . and that must also apply to football fans.

This week our winner is a six-year-old from Marmion by the name of **ANDREW DARE** . . . and he is obviously a keen South Fremantle — and WA — football fan.

Andrew's coupon was the first correct entry opened last week and his three answers proved that he reads Westside Football very carefully.

The trick question was Who are West Perth's 'unique' stars. The answer was in the West Perth feature in an article about Bill Dempsey and Mel Whinnen, whose record in football will never be equalled.

Andrew wins an Adidas sports bag and a beaut Chesson footy in South's colours. Remember, all our questions are answered in this week's paper somewhere.



Country Carnival at East Perth

The East Perth football club in conjunction with their Junior Council will conduct a Junior carnival in Perth on July 12th/13th for 11, 13 and 15 grade players.

The cost of running the carnival is partly subsidised by Ampol Petroleum and Town and Country Building Society.

About 650 boys will take part with teams from Warren districts, Nelson districts, Boyup Brook, Busselton and Augusta-Margaret River. They will travel to Perth on Friday July 11 and will be billeted in private homes

Each team will play four qualifying games during Saturday and Sunday mornings, some against country, some against metropolitan teams.

The finals in each grade will take place at Perth Oval on Sunday afternoon.

The carnival concludes on Sunday afternoon with presentation of trophies by representatives from Ampol, Town & Country and league players.

Enquiries may be made to Mr Truscott on 446 2809 or Mr West on 276 2131.

LEARNING ABOUT FOOTBALL

There are a number of excellent football books on the Australian market and over the next few weeks we will introduce you to several of the best publications.

With the co-operation of WA book distributors, Whitcombe & Tombs, of 142 Colin Street, West Perth we take a look this week at *How to Play Football Australian Style*, edited by Melbourne football writer Jim Main and selling for a recommended \$7.95.

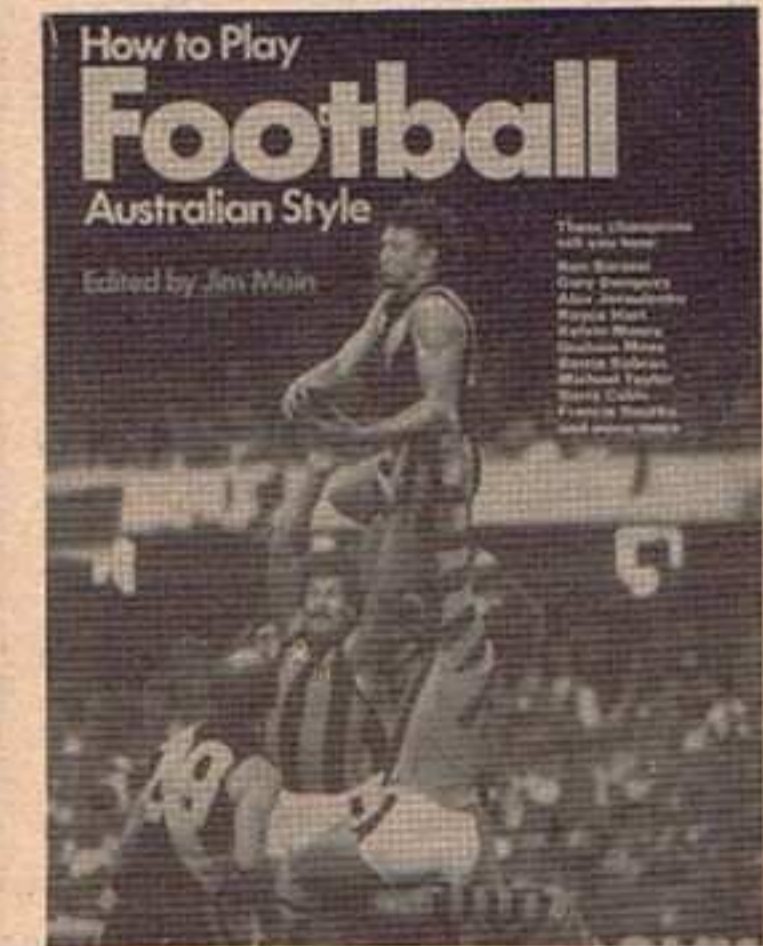
The book looks at how to play football — and uses champions in various positions to illustrate the game.

For example, Barry Cable is the expert used for handball; Graham Moss on ruck play, Leigh Matthews on roving, Alex Jesaulenko on centre position. The book highlights the career of the player involved — but, more importantly, outlines why that player is a champion in his own position — and has his own ideas on how to play that position.

There are segments on coaching, physical fitness — an excellent section by Dr A.W. Willee — and the Laws of the Game are published as well.

The book has dozens of great pictures, mainly of VFL football, but it's greatest

aspect is the contribution from each champion on how he sees the best way to play football.



QUESTION: Who is the most experienced club footballer in the VFL State team line-up for this Saturday's clash with WA?

ANSWER:

QUESTION: How many Victorians are playing for their State for the first time?

ANSWER:

QUESTION: Who won the inaugural State-Of-Origin clash between WA and Victoria and what was the winning margin?

ANSWER:

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ANSWERS TO QUIZ NO. 13: 1—South Australia. 2—Five. 3—Alan Stewart, SA. MYSTERY PLAYER: Norm Salomons

GOALS!

Claremont went on a goal-scoring spree against Subiaco and the 19th goal — kicked by wingman Dalton Gooding — showed just how easy they were accomplished. Gooding won the ball in defence, had two bounces as he crossed the centreline and shot a short-pass out to his captain, Graham Moss. But Gooding didn't stop there. He kept running past, received a direct handpass and kicked long and straight for a major.

There were some great snapshot goals in all matches last week with the return to fine weather — and naturally it was a snapshot that took off Town and Country's \$100 for the goal-of-the-day on Channel 7's World of Football. It went to South Fremantle's Paul Mountain for a great running shot as he headed towards the boundary line on the right half-forward flank and steered the ball back over his shoulder from about 45 metres out.

Perth's Barry Kimberley and Claremont's Jim Krakouer were in classical roving moods last week and they too produced some great snapshots. Kimberley booted three goals against East Fremantle, including a tremendous snapshot early in the game, and Krakouer picked up five goals against Subiaco, with his third being the highlight — a running shot from the boundary line about 50 metres out from goal.

Kevin Taylor, East Fremantle's ace goalkicker of 1979, showed some of that form against Perth and though he only kicked one goal on Saturday, it was a classic. He gathered the ball in cleverly midfield, evaded several Perth defenders and steadied beautifully to steer a left-footer home accurately.

Subiaco's Peter Munro has given the club a spark of life at full-forward recently — but despite his goals, things don't always seem to go right for him. After taking a strong mark in the second quarter, he spilled the ball when he hit the ground. As he was walking back to take the kick, the ball was thrown to him — and hit him on the head from behind! However, undaunted he put it through for his — and Subiaco's — second goal.

West Perth's Rod Alderton was in great goalkicking form in the match against Swan Districts. He kicked six straight. His fifth for the match, which came up early in the second quarter, was a brilliant snapshot. He scooped the ball up after it had come off hands from a marking contest and while facing away from goal and off balance he dropped the ball onto his foot and screwed it over his head with greatly executed accuracy.

Following a couple of bad misses in the first half, Swans' Simon Beasley found touch early in the third term when he scored two quick goals to put his side back in the game. The second of these goals was the result of a freak snapshot. He was running across goal about 30 metres out and being hotly pressed by two West Perth defenders, after gaining possession of the ball, he managed a clumsy looking kick which never rose more than a metre and a half off the ground. However, its boomerang-like flight found the big opening to register Swans' 8th goal.

GOLDEN BOOT

SIMON BEASLEY (Swans)	54.40
WARREN RALPH (Claremont)	53.22
PETER BOSUSTOW (Perth)	47.29
ROD ALDERTON (West Perth)	43.22
DOUG SIMMS (Perth)	41.35
KEN JUDGE (East Frem.)	40.27
PETER MUNRO (Subiaco)	33.20
IAN WILLIAMS (Swans)	33.22
NOEL CARTER (South Frem.)	31.22
JIM KRAKOUER (Claremont)	30.24

Wesfarmers COUNTRY ROUNDUP

MOVES TO STRENGTHEN COMBINED TEAMS

Building up strong Association teams for carnivals is a problem for country leagues.

However, two associations have started to take radical steps to rectify this situation.

The Esperance and Districts Football Association has included in its constitution a provision to suspend players for three dates for not making themselves available for matches, unless they provide a medical certificate.

In the case of a player suffering an injury after the Monday the case will then be considered on its merits.

The Mortlock National Football League adopted a new constitution this season and a provision is made to automatically suspend a player for one official club date if he does not make himself available for training and association matches after gaining selection.

Mortlock will participate in B grade at the Wesfarmers Country Championships, while Esperance has declined to enter, but have arranged other inter-Association matches.

ZONE CARNIVAL

The zone-of-origin carnival will be held in Geraldton on Sunday.

Representing the Central Midlands Football League are:

Bob Wilson (Dandaragan), Mark Skehan (Dalwalinu) and Keith Piper (Bindi-Miling) will play in the country team against East Fremantle city team.

Gary Reed, Neil Herd (Watheroo), David Allen (Dandaragan), Tim Bahen, Steven Johnston (Rovers), Charlie McNeil (Dalwalinu), Mike Spadaccini and Graham Burnett (Warriors), Ian White (Bindi-Miling), will play in a combined North Midlands team to play a team from Great Northern League.

WICKEPIN FLOORED

Wickepin's chances of moving up the Upper Great Southern Football League table were ruined when Railways beat them 16.14 to 14.9.

The teams were evenly matched and kicked goal for goal right up until the last quarter.

Wickepin had the edge at three quarter time when they were five points in front, 13.6 to 11.13 as a result of direct play down the middle of the ground.

NEW ROOMS

The Narrogin Town Council has accepted a tender of \$44,250 from the Towns Football Club for additions to the Clayton Road Oval amenities building.

New changerooms, function room, bar extensions and umpires' room will be included in the expansion work.

This is part of a continuing upgrading programme at the clubhouse.

CLIFF-HANGER

The Lower South West game between wooden spoon teams, Bridgetown and

Imperials, proved to be one of the most exciting for years.

Superior teamwork by Bridgetown saw them scrape home winners by five points, 6.16 to 6.11.

Despite a 23-point lead by Bridgetown at quarter-time, Imperials were able to hold their rivals to only one goal in the next quarter.

Early in the third term Imperials produced some of the best football of the day when Richie Lee kicked three quick goals.

Lee set the pace for teammates, Bill Buchanan and Rod Lee, who did their best to gain superiority in the forward line.

The comeback was too late for Imperials and Bridgetown now seem certain to leave behind their place on the bottom of the premiership table.

HOSPITALISED

Phil Maher was taken to hospital after suffering a blow to the head in the last quarter of the Bruce Rock-Southern Cross football clash.

The popular Bruce Rock player was detained in hospital overnight.

EXMOUTH TOPS

Exmouth proved superior in the annual inter-town football match against Carnarvon when they won 15.15 to 12.19.

Trophy awards were presented by Exmouth Football Association president, T. Harry, and Carnarvon Gascoyne Association president, Roy Laurance.

Exmouth captain-coach Andy Shearman was his team's best player and received an inscribed football as a memento.

Carnarvon's best player was Ward Forbes.

Ian Robinson and Greg Evans won awards for leading goalscorers.

WITHDRAWALS

The Upper Great Southern carnival squad has had three withdrawals because of work commitments.

Unavailable are A. Edwards and A. Campbell from Rovers, and D. Fitt from Cuballing.

They have been replaced by L. Borthwick (Towns), T. Durwood and G. White (Pingelly).

STRANDED

The north-west floods left 16 Carnarvon footballers stranded in Exmouth.

The footballers and 14 supporters had travelled by bus for the game.

The closure of the road because of heavy rain and flood conditions made it impossible for them to make the return trip overland.

RICH CARNIVAL

This weekend Newman will host the richest country football carnival in WA, the BP Pilbara Football Championships, with \$5000 incentive to teams in the region.

PAYING THE PENALTY

A few sensational instances have occurred in a couple of the State's senior country competitions recently.

In the Central Great Southern Football League, Katanning league team, Wanderers, was stripped of all of its premiership points for playing a player all season without a clearance from his previous club.

Wanderers, presently running in third place with 16 points, tumbled to the bottom of the premiership table. However, the club lodged an appeal against the severity of the penalty.

The protests and disputes board upheld the appeal and decided the club was only to lose eight points and fined \$100.

In the same competition Kojonup lost eight points for playing an over-aged player in the thirds competition. This has placed the team in last place with four points.

In the Mortlock 1979 premiers, Wongan Hills, after narrowly winning a reserves game over the unbeaten Gingin team recently, lost the match on protest.

The Protests and Disputes Tribunal found Wongan Hills guilty of playing a player without a clearance under an assumed name.

In addition to losing the four points Wongan Hills were fined \$20 and the player involved was suspended for one playing date.

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.

Boundary umpire K.O'd

South West National Football League umpire M. Buswell was K.O'd during last Sunday's football match between Carey Park and Harvey-Brunswick at Kelly Park.

Carey Park rover John Cormack had a snap shot for goal from near the boundary line and he and Buswell were both watching the flight of the ball as they ran towards the goal.

They collided heavily. Cormack, who scored a goal, jumped to his feet but Buswell lay prone where he had fallen. Trainers ran to his aid but were unable to revive him. Field umpire C. Bell suspended play while an ambulance was summoned.

As he was being placed in the ambulance, Buswell regained consciousness but he was still admitted to hospital suffering from concussion.

The worst football weather experienced for years marred most games and scores suffered as a result. In the closest encounter, Collie 7.7 beat Bunbury 7.5. In other games South Bunbury 6.5 b Mines 3.9, Donnybrook 8.17 b Boyanup Capel Dardanup 4.5, Augusta-Margaret River 10.17 b Busselton 9.12 and Carey Park 7.6 b Harvey-Brunswick 4.13. — Geoff Ferguson.

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National FIXTURES-RESULTS



W.A.F.L.

MATCHES PLAYED ON GROUNDS OF FIRST MENTIONED CLUBS

APRIL 5
Subiaco 8.9, West Perth 17.16
South Frem. 23.23, Perth 16.21

APRIL 7
Claremont 11.17, East Perth 13.13
Swan Dist. 24.17, East Frem. 6.14

APRIL 12
East Perth 19.11, Swans 21.20
East Frem. 15.12, C'mont 24.14
W. Perth 15.11, S. Frem. 15.18
Perth 27.20, Subiaco 12.10

APRIL 19
Subiaco 8.14, East Perth 23.17
East Frem. 10.14, Sth Frem. 28.13
W. Perth 21.15, Claremont 9.12
Swans 22.23, Perth 13.20

APRIL 26
Sth. Frem. 25.17, Subiaco 13.8
Perth 15.17, West Perth 27.12
E. Perth 15.14, E. Frem. 20.22
Claremont 20.18, Swans 23.19

MAY 3
Perth 18.22, East Perth 16.10
Subiaco 8.15, Swans 27.32
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
Sth. Frem. 24.18, E. Perth 10.14
Perth 25.19, East Frem. 20.19
Subiaco 12.16, Claremont 29.20
W. Perth 17.11, Swans 16.19

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

V.F.L.

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 28
Essendon 6.12; St. Kilda 7.11
Sth. Melb. 5.9, Carlton 10.18
Footscray 10.13, Melbourne 6.7
Richmond 9.19, Collingwood 7.22
Geelong 13.16, Nth. Melb. 4.3
Hawthorn 21.17, Fitzroy 8.7

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.

S.A.N.F.L.

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 Aust. 30.39, Queensland 3.3

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
● Woodvill 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 Adel. 10.8, West Torrens 18.14

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
Sturt 25.22, W. Adel. 16.11
P. Adel. 21.21, Sth. Adel. 8.5
Cent. Dist. 8.9, Norwood 10.18
Woodville 17.16, Nth. Adel 9.12
W. Torrens 9.16, Glenelg 16.12

SATURDAY, JULY 5
South Australia v V.F.A., Adelaide

SAT/SUN, JULY 12/13
Norwood v West Torrens
Central District v North
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

WESTERN AUSTRALIA V VICTORIA



FRED WOODS: Winning will be hard for WA; but it can be done if in-form players are picked for specialist positions.



ALAN EAST: If VFL Park turns on its slippery surface, WA will slide right out of the interstate arena. Let's hope it's fine, dry — and the WA players can rise above the biggest obstacle many of them have ever faced.



BOB CRABB: I think WA can make a game of it. We have a good side and all we have to worry about is the mud. VFL Park looks very nasty when it's wet and slippery.



MARTY McDONNELL: The summer picnic joke is over. Now you'll see the Vics when they are fair dinkum. The Big white V forever!

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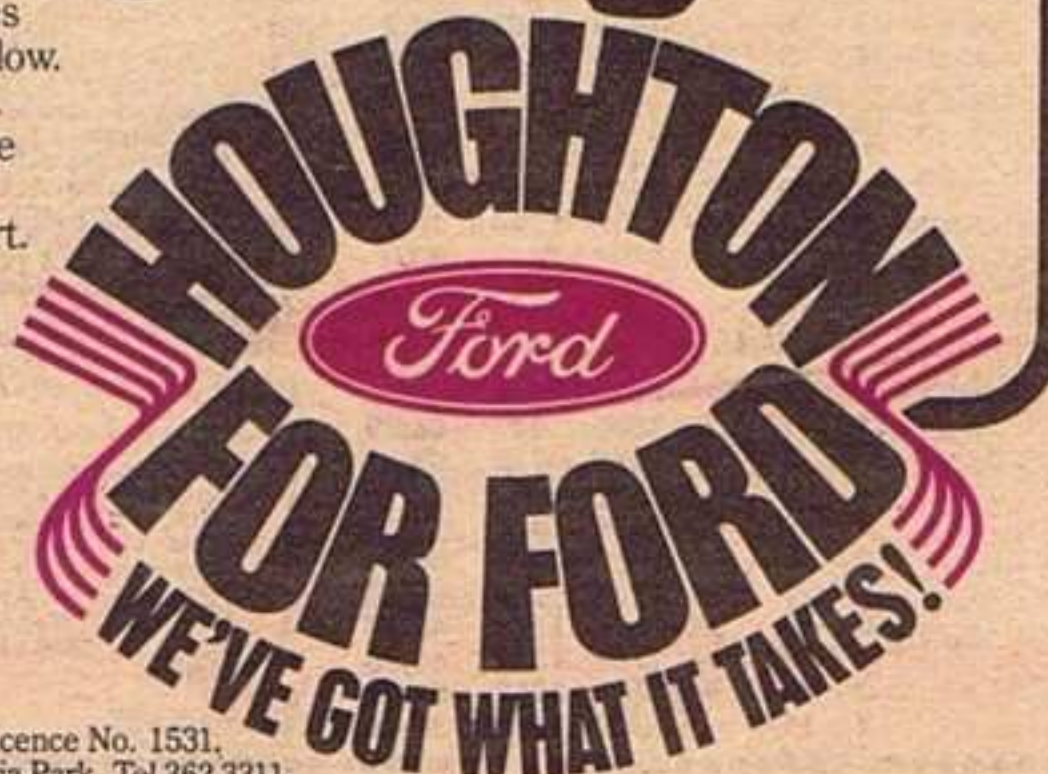
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PICKET SNIPPETS

HOT WARM-UP

Claremont put on an interesting exhibition of pre-match warm-ups before their Subiaco Oval clash with Subiaco last Saturday. The Tigers were out on the ground about 15 minutes early and indulged in some man-to-man warm-ups that included a procedure remarkably akin to clipping someone over the ears. Just as well there were no reports for striking!

BOOTS DISPUTE

Big Perth ruckman Wayne Simms, who has struggled to hold his place in the league line-up this year despite being a State player last season, is in conflict with his club over the type of boots he must wear. Simms has been told, albeit subtly, that if he doesn't wear a certain brand he will find it hard to play league football. Unfortunately, he has found himself tied up in a contract with a rival firm — and maybe that's the reason why we haven't seen Simms at his best this year. The battle is not over either — legal action could be the next step.

BLAIR'S BLUNDER

Dennis Blair is one of Subiaco's most experienced players... but unfortunately he doesn't set a good example to his younger team-mates at times. In last week's clash with Claremont, Blair was understandably frustrated at his team's lack of playing technique — but it doesn't excuse him for continually disputing umpiring decisions and for trying to stage free kicks in doubtful situations. Keep your mind on the game, Dennis — forget the acting!

SELECTION PUZZLES

Some funny things happen at selection tables on the way to Saturday football matches. Selectors obviously have their reasons for dropping players, but it's no wonder the public — who do pay to go to the football, remember — get a little puzzled and even annoyed with their club selectors. For example, how could anyone drop Larry Kickett and Murray Couper out of the East Perth line-up for the South Fremantle match? Anyone who follows the game closely knows that both players thrive against Souths, particularly when they are playing at Fremantle Oval. And to drop Couper — a dry weather player — for a disappointing exhibition in those miserable conditions a week earlier doesn't really make sense, does it? What do you think?

LATE PAPERS

Due to last week's rail strike, Westside Football arrived late in some country areas. However, with the assistance of Wards Overnight Road Express, most major country centres received their papers as usual on Friday morning. To those people in the country who received their paper late we apologise.

NO CLUB FOOTY

Major football leagues throughout Australia will have a bye in normal club fixtures this weekend. The V.F.L. and W.A.F.L. have abandoned games to make way for the State-Of-Origin match in Melbourne on Saturday, while in Adelaide, the S.A.N.F.L. will meet the V.F.A. In Hobart, the T.F.L. will play the South Australian under-21 side. On Sunday, the V.F.L. second 18 meets Queensland in Brisbane and their third 18 play the A.C.T. in Canberra.

FORMER LIONS CLASH

It was a matter of "old boys day" down at South Fremantle last Saturday for former Subiaco players Neil Randall and John Dimmer. Both Randall and Dimmer left the Lions' camp this season for greener pastures and lined up on each other for the important clash at Fremantle Oval. Though Randall kicked three goals for Souths, Dimmer showed why he is a member of the State side with a competent game at half back. Along with Curtis and Otway, he was one of the few triers for the Royals.

McKAY GETS A BOOST

A move by South Fremantle coach Mal Brown at three quarter time in the game against the Royals gave Joe McKay some much needed confidence. McKay had played well for the first three terms at centre-half-back but still wasn't handling the ball as surely as he did a few seasons back. Brownie switched him to full-forward where McKay booted a couple of freak angle goals and gave his confidence a big boost. The former State backman showed that he was running into form with a good display against Claremont the previous week and now looks set to approach top gear.

SCOREBOARDS AGAIN!

This column has been a constant critic of scoreboards, and in particular the one at Leederville Oval. Last Saturday, for most of the last quarter the total points tally for West Perth was wrong. At the end of the match it showed that Swans had won by one point when in fact they had won by two points. Had the Cardinals scored a behind in the final moments the 15,847 strong crowd would have been in a state of confusion. Our previous criticism of the board — the speed in which scores are removed at the end of games — continues to bug hundreds of fans.

NO JOY FOR JOYCE

Alan Joyce, though glad to accept the four points, was not the happiest man in town after the Demons' win over East Fremantle. He was disappointed with the way Perth players allowed East Fremantle to dominate the last quarter even though the game was all over. In that last term, Old Easts rattled on 9.10 and cut a 10 goal deficit at the last change down to five goals at the end. "It's a question of attitude that I have to work on," Joyce said after the match.

SHAW NOW Surer

Former Collingwood player Derek Shaw has been a big headache and disappointment for South Fremantle this season... that is until two weeks ago. Shaw put in some real shockers for Souths in the forward line but since being placed in a back pocket, he's a changed man. Last week he marked surely and cleared with vigour and dash. He also played well against Claremont two weeks ago.

6PM's GOOD RHYTHM!

Radio 6PM have stolen a march on their fellow media men in Perth in regards to the State-Of-Origin clash in Melbourne this Saturday. The 6PM Sports World panel will fly en-masse over to Melbourne and present their show live from the Palm Lake Hotel on the Saturday morning before the match. There will be heaps of VFL and WA guests and the champagne breakfast will get the interstate day off to a great start.

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