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THE PROTECTOR IS BACK

He's tough, he's mean and not all that pretty either.

In fact, Ron Webster is just what East Perth have needed all season.

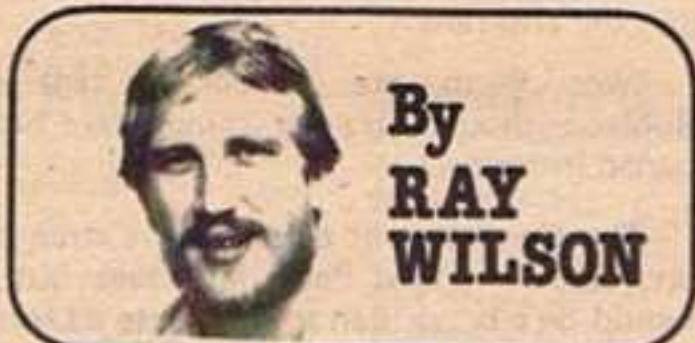
Forwards dread playing on him because the bruises don't wait to come out on Sunday morning . . . they are there five minutes later.

Webster (27), the club's football administrator, has been cast into a trouble-shooter role over the last month.

The big man was willing to hang up his league boots this season but snapped back into training when Barry Cable decided his strength was needed.

Webster makes no bones about the fact that toughness is his big asset on the field.

And he's not only tough on his immediate opponent . . . Webster says part



By
RAY WILSON

he's not all that pretty. His features look like they have been chisled out of rock. It can all add up to prove a frightening experience for forwards.

"I've never been blessed with spring or pace. I've got a bit of bulk (nearly 16 stone of it) and strength and I've got to use this to counter better skilled footballers."

He did this well on Saturday when given the task of curbing West Perth's Brian Adamson.

Webster was given the instructions of "cutting Adamson out as best he could". He did it well because in the second half the high-flying West Perth centre-half-forward didn't get a kick.

Webster made a comeback to league football a month ago against East Fremantle.

He was given a trouble-shooter role in that game because the Royals had State representatives in Adelaide and had lost a few top players through injury.

Webster had no real intentions of playing league this season but was glad to change his mind when asked by Barry Cable.

He missed the game against South Fremantle but came back for the vital clash last week against West Perth.

Webster says a couple of stand-up fights at training the week after the poor performance against the Bulldogs could prove to be the turning point for the Royals.

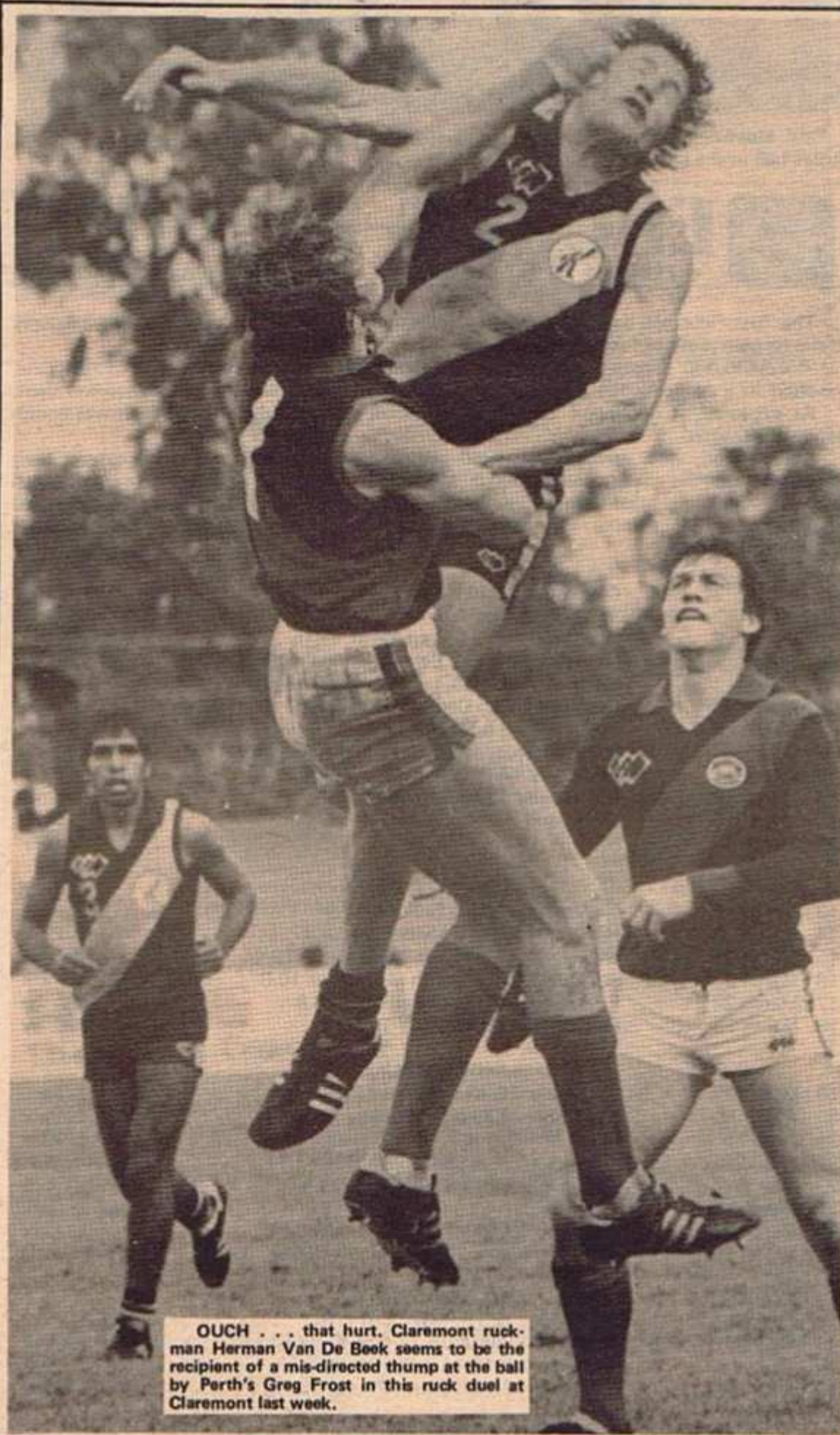
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of his role is to protect the smaller men in the Royals' side.

"This may mean giving a few strong shepherds early in the game which not only gives confidence to my teammates but sometimes can unsettle the opponents," Webster says.

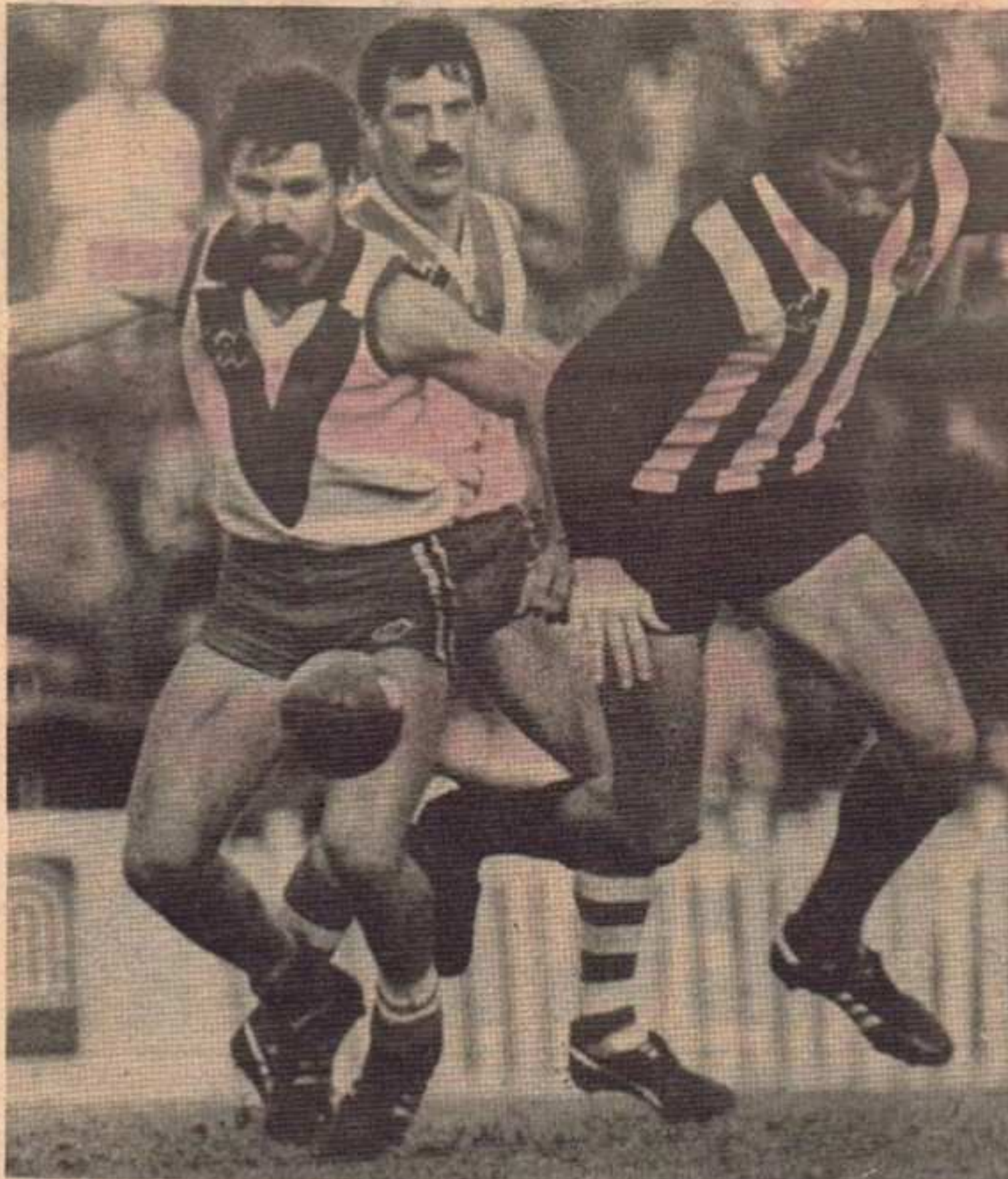
I'm not being disrespectful when I say



OUCH . . . that hurt. Claremont ruckman Herman Van De Beek seems to be the recipient of a mis-directed thump at the ball by Perth's Greg Frost in this ruck duel at Claremont last week.

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Paul Mountain (South Fremantle) and Ross Fitzgerald both have their eyes on the elusive ball in the game at Bassendean Oval last week.

Wills Sport ESCORT REPORT

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

The first full-scale national football competition organised in Australia will certainly claim its own piece of football history.

The \$400,000 Escort Championship, involving 34 teams from all States of Australia, resulted in a controversial grand final finish at VFL Park, Waverley, on Tuesday night.

As expected, it developed into an all-Victorian grand final, but the result was completely unexpected.

Collingwood, who won the restricted competition last year, looked set to win their fourth consecutive match against North Melbourne when they led by three points with seconds remaining. But North's Kerry Good marked and goaled after the siren had sounded — but went unheard by umpire Ian Robinson — and North took off the winner's cheque of \$36,000.

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 23.10 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 15.10 b Essendon 12.9	V.F.L. Park

GRAND FINAL

33 July 15	North Melbourne 8.9 b Collingwood 7.12	
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The field is reduced

The men have been separated from the boys and now only five sides are in the hunt for final four honours.

Perth bid farewell to any chance they had of making the four last week while Claremont certainly strengthened a stake of the final four glory.

Attention this week will focus on Claremont Oval where the Tigers front up to the improving Royals.

East Perth whose form has proved enigmatic to supporters this season won a hard slog against West Perth last Saturday and will need to recapture that style of play to press Claremont. The Tigers are looking good. The Krakouer boys are in sparkling form, Moss is at his peak, the backline is solid, and at last a centreman has been found in Wayne Blackwell.

Blackwell was a driving force against Perth and was paid the compliment of having State player Ross Prunster moved from him.

The Tigers look settled while East Perth are still puzzling their coaches and supporters with some on-again off-again form. Last week they were "on" but who can say with any confidence that that form will carry through to this week.

The Royals need to win or else face a mammoth task of getting to the finals.

A loss will almost put them out of the race. It would place their two nearest rivals eight points clear and the Royals would join the also rans.

West Perth are unbackable against Subiaco, though stranger things have happened in footy.

The Cardies went down to the strength and vigour of East Perth last week but it would be a brave man to nominate a Lions' victory.

South Fremantle, funny enough, will have a testing game against Perth.

Bulldogs' coach Mal Brown should regard the game as a danger one because of his side's superb win over Swans last week.

Brownie had built his players up for the match and there would be an obvious let down after knocking off the top side.

Perth still have the slimmest of chances of getting a berth in the four and a victory over Souths would keep the home fires burning for at least another week.

Every game in the third round represents a grand final for Perth but it's hard to see them tossing top sides like Souths and Swans, though they ran Swans to 17 points on May 31.

Perth will be unnerved by South Fremantle's biggest asset — tackling. Every tackle against Swans last week hurt and there will be a few bruises in the Demons' camp on Sunday.

Souths big aim at the moment is to play for keeps to maintain second spot to have the two cracks at getting into the grand final.

A victory over Perth will go along way to realizing that aim.

Perth have put the wind up top sides this season but have yet to win a game against any club in the top four. Their most memorable matches have been against East Perth (two victories) but the Demons just haven't got what it takes to undo a top side like Souths.

Swans came in for a rude awakening against Souths last week but they will bounce back to beat East Fremantle.

Old Easts started to click on the last half of the game last Saturday but that was against you know who... SuLiaco.



By RAY WILSON

Subi and Swans are football fields apart when it comes to ability and Old Easts won't have the answers to stop Swans.

John Todd and his side will be looking to make amends for last week's defeat and this really does spell danger for East Fremantle.



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WA FACES A SERIOUS UMPIRE SHORTAGE

Western Australian football is facing a serious shortage of field umpires, because not enough recruits are being drawn to their ranks.

The pinch hasn't been felt at top level yet, but unless more depth is achieved, the quality of umpiring will decline steadily when our senior brigade hang up their whistles.

Umpiring is not a glamorous occupation, and the rewards are far from great. Umpires train a minimum of two nights a week, and regularly attend lectures. They run several kilometres each Saturday at their games. For this, field umpires appointed to senior matches receive \$92 plus a margin according to the number of games umpired.

Would-be umpires are convinced that it's not worth the effort in the hope that one day they will be regarded as one of the top eight umpires in the state.

They have to contend with sub-standard facilities at some league grounds, torrents of abuse, directed at them every Saturday from irate fans, and even the occasional public criticism from WAFL officials.

MISTAKES

Their mistakes are laid bare for all to see through television replays, and even "The Umpires' Friend" Fred Woods is occasionally moved to pronounce words of doom from his eyrie atop the World Of Football Panel each Sunday. Umpires must also contend with the ever changing laws of the game, and when they share an interstate match in the east be faced with various local rules, such as the dividing line in the centre circle in Victoria. Isn't it time the laws were overhauled and simplified to make life easier not only for the umpires, but for players and spectators as well? Everyone remains confused about the holding the man/holding the ball rule. Too much is left to the discretion of the umpires.

An example of the verbosity of the Laws of Australian Football can be found in the section dealing with an apparently straightforward method of kicking the ball into play after a behind has been scored. Two pages of the rule book are devoted to this law.

Umpires are also out in the cold as far as sponsorship is concerned. In South

Australia, a sponsor pours \$20,000 into umpires. In return, the men in white don sponsor track suit tops as they warm up, in the same manner as our footballers do.

OUTFITS

Even though the SANFL takes about 50 percent for themselves, there's still plenty left to outfit umpires and provide a major award at the end of the season for the best field, goal, or boundary umpire.

In Western Australia, umpires have already approached some firms who have expressed interest, but have been told that these things have to be arranged by the WAFL. Fine, but why hasn't anything been done?

I believe Town & Country and Houghton Wines have been keen to invest money, and Ampol would like to provide gear for umpires, as an extension of their current involvement which is the donation of trophies.

If these firms go off the boil it would be a tragedy. If league footballers can wear sponsor logos, league umpires should be able to do the same.

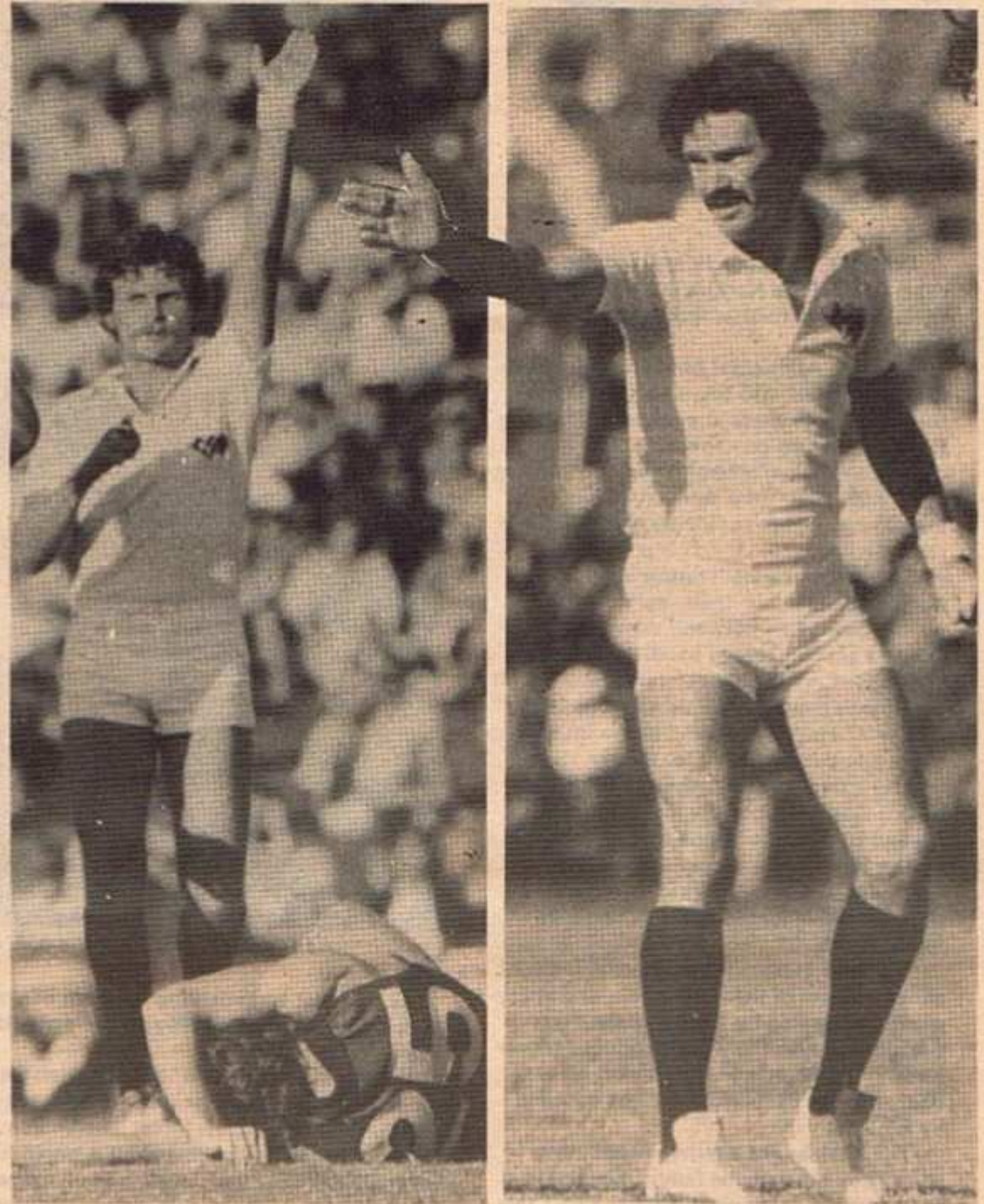
INTERSTATE MATCHES PROVE A POINT

The two interstate matches involving Western Australia this year should have convinced the powers that be that they are a vital part of a season's programme.

They have also proved that no local fixtures should be scheduled on the same day.

With no other distractions, our State side acquitted itself well against Victoria, and should have been the first side to topple the Vics in Melbourne.

The match against South Australia was a disaster. Our players could not possibly have been expected to apply themselves



Guest Columnist

Presented by McInerney Ford

THIS WEEK:

HARVEY DEEGAN
TWW 7 football commentator



wholeheartedly. Swans were heading towards their \$20,000 bonus, while five other sides were involved in the fight for the four.

STATE SIDE

Admittedly one state side was chosen on a State-of-Origin basis while the other was not, and no one would be foolish enough to try to make a comparison on the basis of ability. But it is legitimate to assess the relative attitudes of both sides, and there is no question that the team defeated by South Australia had nowhere near the desire of the team that played against Victoria.

It also created the ludicrous dual goal-kicking situation, with the League deciding not to count the goals kicked in the four games here. Quiz night comperes are having a field day: Q. When is a goal not a goal? A: When it is kicked on the 14th of June.

CARNIVAL

The State-of-Origin carnival in Adelaide is a test I'm sure our State side is looking forward to. They have a score to settle with Victoria on the Saturday, and an even bigger one against South Australia on the Monday.

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THE NARKLE BROTHERS

Wing stars sparkle at Swans



Brothers in football are not unusual . . . but the Narkles at Swan Districts go a step further than most family pairings.

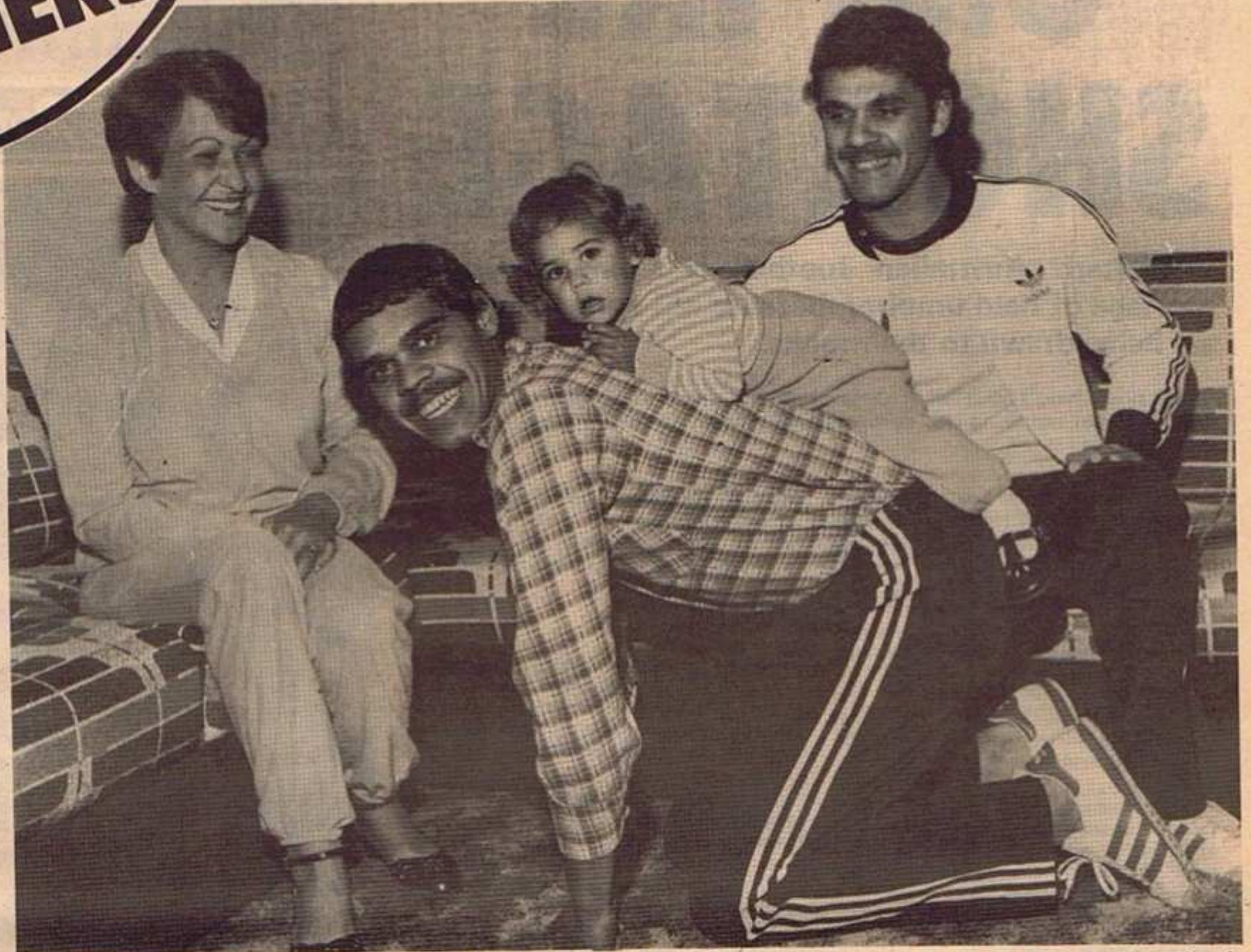
The two Aboriginal boys from Bunbury have developed into top-class footballers; they have both made the successful change from country to city football; they have risen above the problems often confronting their race and they have staked a permanent claim to identical positions — on the wings.

The other unusual feature about the Narkle brothers is their age — there is almost nine years between them, yet they are now playing league football successfully together. Keith, a veteran of more than 150 league games since his debut in 1971, is now 27 and Phillip, who broke into senior ranks just two seasons ago, is only 19.

The arrival at Bassendean Oval of Phil Narkle was probably the incentive Keith needed to push his league career along. At the time, Keith was in the football doldrums, but once his 'kid' brother arrived to tackle league ranks, it was a different Keith.

His new lease of life, partly brought about because of the challenge — and enjoyment — of seeing his brother pressing for a league spot on the wing, produced higher levels of performance. Keith won his way back into the State side — a feat equalled by Phil this year.

The Narkles are a quiet, unassuming pair. They have strong family ties and love their football. This week ALAN EAST lets them tell their own story . . .



Kristy Narkle is only 15 months old, but she's already a big fan of 'Uncle Phil'. Kristy's parents, Cecilia and Keith find the antics of their daughter amusing.

Q: It must be satisfying for both of you to see your brother playing on the opposite side of the ground?

A: Keith — It's good, but it's even better when you know that you are both playing well on the day. I feel better about Phil now that he has matured a bit in his football and can look after himself. When he first broke in it was a bit worrying seeing him around because he was so small.

Q: Phil — were you worried about injuries early on and did having to wear a helmet cause you any concern?

A: I was never worried about getting injuries when I started; I just went in without any thought. Even if I didn't get a helmet I would have kept playing.

Q: Phil — were you in a hurry to get into league ranks to catch up to brother Keith?

A: No, not really. When I first came up from Bunbury I wasn't going to stay; I was going back. But Keith talked me into staying and said to go along and have a run with the colts. I just gradually built up to league.

Q: Keith — it wasn't long ago that you were thinking of quitting Swans and going back to Bunbury. What stopped you?

A: My wife probably, she didn't want to go back.

Q: You are probably playing the best football of your career now that you've stayed on. Why?

A: Experience has a bit to do with it; but Toddy has had a lot to do with it as well. He has really motivated me, got me going.

Q: Does he place a great deal of emphasis on the fact that you are brothers and should team together?

A: Keith — At first he was using it to get us to compete against each other, to be better than the other. But we only went through the motions, such as having a sprint together or something. He realised

that we were only waxing, so he split us up.

Phil — He used to talk to us individually; urge us to compete. He'd have bets to see who could get the most kicks or who would be the better player. But we were never really competing against each other for one wing spot, there was usually a vacancy on the other wing.

Q: Do you look for each other on the field?

A: Phil — No, not really.

Keith — You just have a look for whoever is in the best position, if it's Phil I give it to him.

Q: A lot of people get you mixed up. Is that embarrassing?

A: Keith — Not now. If someone says goodbye Phil, I just say hello back to them. It's easier that way.

Phil — A lot call me Keith, so I just speak to them without worrying.

Q: How hard was it to settle into the city life from your country background?

A: Phil — We used to live up here when we were younger, when I was in grade one or two, so we've got used to the city life.

Q: Do you get many racial comments thrown up at you, particularly on the field?

A: Keith — I can remember my first league game, it was against Subiaco and I played on the half-forward flank on a guy named Joyce. He did it all through the game. It didn't worry me then and it doesn't worry me now. I just say 'have you had a kick yet?' or something like that and it makes them madder.

Phil — Now and then I get it. But if they know it doesn't affect your game, they don't bother much.

Q: Have you been in any trouble on the field — reported or offended against?

A: Keith — I got two weeks in the seconds one year, a few years back. But it was more of an accident. We just made a kick at

each other and both of us got suspended. We didn't even connect and it was nothing really.

Phil — We've never been the offended player; no-one's ever been reported for hitting us or anything.

Q: What about your future how long can you keep playing?

A: Keith — I hope to play till I'm about 34 at least.

Phil — I'll keep pushing him along. I don't like Victoria, so I won't be going there. I'll just play as long as I can.

Q: Keith, what has happened at Swans this year to change things so much?

A: I reckon the best thing that happened was the new directors; they've made it a lot more professional and that's rubbed off on the players.

Phil — Plus Toddy, he's a good coach and he influences all the players, particularly the younger ones.

Q: You have both made a State team now, I guess you would like to be in the same side?

A: Phil — I thought we could have done it for the South Australian game, but Keith was injured. We'd like that, for sure.

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Names: Keith and Phil Narkle
Born: Keith — Narrogin, 20.11.52
 Phil — Boddington, 29.1.61
Lives at: Keith — Bassendean
 Phil — Maylands
Married: Keith, Yes. Phil, No.
Wife's name: Cecilia.
Children: Kristy, 15 months
Occupation: Keith — Painter
 Phil — Labourer
Favourite food: Keith — steak
 Phil — spaghetti
Favourite drink: Keith — Beer
 Phil — Beer
Football likes: Keith — Winning mainly
 Phil — Winning
Football dislikes: Keith — Supporters putting you down
 Phil — None
Idols in football: Keith — Billy Walker
 Phil — Polly Farmer
Hard things in football: Keith — Pre-season training
 Phil — Agree
Ambitions: Keith — To play in a premiership side, reach 200 games
 Phil — To play in as many premierships as I can with Swans
Nicknames: Keith — Sparks
 Phil — Magic
Came from: Bunbury
League debut: Keith, 1971
 Phil, 1978
Games played: Keith, 154
 Phil, 45

FLASHBACK...

There has been many attempts over the years to expand our great game overseas. In fact the game is currently gaining in popularity in Papua New Guinea, Rabaul, New Zealand and in the Solomons. One of the earliest attempts to establish the game overseas was just after the turn of the century when Australian troops were serving in South Africa during the Boer War. Associations were formed in Standerton, Durban, Johannesburg, Germiston and Pretoria.

BENNETT'S BURST



Let's change our thinking

Have we become a state of losers?

I ask this question in firing a parting shot in respect to the WA-VFL clash in Melbourne.

It seems that we now measure our performances in Melbourne against Victoria in terms of our narrowest defeats.

WAFU general manager Peter Bowler, in his league viewpoint in last week's football budget said that congratulations must go to every player, coach selector and training staff on the side's performance against Victoria.

I'm surprised that critics weren't harsher on the performance of the WA side.

It was a game we should have won and if we are going to take these matches seriously then we should ensure that the team is given every opportunity.

WA were clearly superior to Victoria in the first half, but in the second half the players did not do the things that had given them an ascendancy in the first half, namely tag opponents.

The most noticeable feature of Victoria's performance after half time was the way they were allowed to develop loose men.

It is TOO easy to find excuses . . . that the conditions did not help us . . . that we ran out of legs in the heavy going.

That argument is fallacious. The fact that WA were clearly better in the first half is an indication that the conditions did not greatly affect the side. As well, WA were loaded with players now used to the Victorian conditions.

To my mind there was no excuse for WA letting the game slip away . . . other than perhaps we just weren't good enough.

If the WAFU is serious about interstate clashes then it should give interstate football a higher priority.

The WA side should have gone to Victoria earlier, probably the previous Sunday and trained together on several occasions.

More thought should also be given to the composition of the side.

If we hope to beat Victoria on their home soil then we should pick 20 players to do the job, not 18.

Interchange players are now an important component of a side . . . the way WA used them one would have thought the selectors considered them inferior to the 18 on the ground.

If conditions were heavy then surely the use of two players off the bench could have relieved pressure.

WA have shown, since the adoption of state-of-origin selection, that they are capable of beating Victoria — the fact that we have never achieved this in Victoria

should now be high on our priorities. It should be a target to aim for. We should be thinking about it now, not a couple of weeks before we are again due to meet them in Melbourne.

But we will never achieve this if we become content, with NEARLY beating them on their own ground.

— ROBERT BENNETT

Sunday merger no closer

The proposed merger between the two major Sunday Football leagues, WAFU and South Suburban, is unlikely to take place until at least season 1982 — and it will probably be as late as 1983.

It had been suggested that the two associations might come together as early as next season.

WAFU and South Suburban officials will meet at the end of the season to discuss whether or not their futures lie together.

Common sense decrees that there is room for only one strong Sunday body rather than two fragmented competitions.

A steering committee is likely to be formed to work towards a long term merger.

This would ensure that both associations had their houses in order well before the merger.

FROM PAGE 1

"Players hadn't been showing a tough enough attitude on the field and after a couple of "blues" at training you could almost see a tightening of team spirit," he says.

Webster, in his tenth year of league football, has managed only about 80 games because of severe knee injuries.

It's a tribute to his courage that he is still playing. A couple of years ago he was told to give the game away.

He's had three cartilages removed from his knees and has to put in extra training to ensure that his legs stand up to the strain of top-line football.

Webster looks like becoming a bit of a spare parts man for the Royals during the rest of the year, playing at centre-half-back, centre-half-forward or in the ruck.

He says the game against Claremont this week is vital for East Perth's bid to make the four and he hopes that the tough work the players put in last week carries on against the Tigers.

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E. Perth . . 22%	Subiaco. . . 6

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1980 MARLBORO AWARDS

A bonus prize of \$20,000 has been won by Swan Districts for being the first team to win 12 straight qualifying games. The Marlboro Cup has \$4000 for the team with the most Marlboro Cup points in each round, plus a \$1500 runners-up prize. Swans won the first round and South Fremantle the second. The Marlboro player-of-the-round award gives the top player \$1000 — with Les Fong (West Perth) winning round one and Wayne Duke (East Perth) round two. Marlboro finals money sees \$5000 for the premiers, \$3000 for the runners-up, \$2000 for the third side and \$1000 for the fourth team.

Polly in on Krakouer bid

Graham (Polly) Farmer has hit back at comments made by North Melbourne general manager Ron Joseph alleging that the former football great has interfered with the 'Roo's' chances of signing the Krakouer brothers.

Farmer is involved in the Geelong plan to sign Jim and Phil Krakouer and he reacted angrily to a reported comment by Joseph that "Graham Farmer has stepped into the act".

The former Geelong, East Perth and West Perth coach said the comment inferred that he had entered the negotiations late and had interfered with North's bid.

Farmer said he had been negotiating with the Krakouers as long as Ron Joseph.

Though North Melbourne are believed to have made the bigger deal, Farmer says he thinks the boys will sign with Geelong.

Farmer said the boys would settle down better at Geelong because it was a close-knit community and homesickness would not be such a problem.

DAVIS GAGGED

Essendon coach Barry Davis, the man who vowed to quit if his side didn't make the final five, has been gagged by his club from saying anything about his football future.

Davis admitted after last week's game against Collingwood that something unexpected would have to happen for the Dons to make the five.

Asked to comment about his coaching career after the match, Davis said: "I have been asked by the club not to say anything at this stage."

WELLS SHINES

Another player to do well against his old club was Greg Wells, the former Melbourne player who recently joined Carlton in a \$100,000 swap deal.

Wells had been criticised all season by Melbourne supporters for not going in hard enough, but on Saturday it was a different story.

He picked up 19 kicks to be among Carlton's best players and was booed every time he got near the ball by some of his former Melbourne fans.

He slipped into the Carlton little man game as if it was made for him.

FOOTY RELICS

Bruce Doull's well-stretched head-band (ask Garry Sidebottom) has been the centre of fiery incidents over the years and is now up for sale.

So too are the boots that Percy Jones, the Carlton coach and former ruckman, was told to hang up this season.

Photos of the Blues 1908 premiership side and one of Ron Barassi addressing players in 1965 are other items that Carlton will put up for auction on July 30.

WEDDING BELLS

The widow of the great Hawthorn rover Peter Crammins is to remarry. Gwen Crammins will marry a Frankston travel agent next week.

Crammins died of cancer only days after the Hawks won the 1976 flag. He was only 28.

Guests will include David Parkin, Peter Hudson, John Kennedy, Brian Douce. Hawthorn have "retired" his No. 5 guernsey, hoping one of his sons, Ben (8) or Sam (6) will one day take the jumper over.



CARL'S OUTBURST

Controversial Melbourne coach Carl Ditterich had few kind words for the umpires after his side was beaten by 29 points by Carlton on Saturday.

Ditterich said he would telephone umpires' coaching director Harry Beitzel to lay his complaints on the line.

"The only thing consistent about the umpiring this season was its total inconsistency", Ditterich said.

Ditterich said the problem was in the interpretation of some rules.

RECOVERY TRAIL

Hawthorn teenager Gary Ayres hopes to be back in action soon after splitting a testicle in a collision with Ron Alexander a fortnight ago.

The 19-year-old utility player was enjoying the quarter of his life, having kicked three goals for the term before the collision.

Ayres was in hospital for five days and is now recuperating at home.

He has played 25 games for Hawthorn including seven this year.

STEPHEN'S FUTURE

Bill Stephen, the coach of Fitzroy who said he would resign after the season, looks likely to stick by his decision despite his side's impressive win over Richmond.

Fitzroy, a boom side last season, have slipped miserably this year and Stephen felt he wasn't the man for the job.

However, on Saturday Fitzroy got out of the horrors and surprised league leaders Richmond with some aggressive and talented play.

It was only Richmond's second loss of the season.

Fitzroy captain Ron Alexander came out in support of Stephen after the match saying the players had let the coach down.

GETTING SQUARE!

Brian Wilson, the youngster sacked by Footscray early this season, got his own back on his old club last Saturday.

Wilson was voted best afield against his former club after a top performance in the centre for North Melbourne.

The talented centreman went into the game carrying a slight injury and had spent most of the week in bed with influenza but was determined to play against his old club.

He was sacked at the start of the season after failing to complete a 70 minute run in time.

North Melbourne wasted no time in snapping him up and he has been one of their better performers this season.



A new star

Carlton half-forward Wayne Johnston is being hailed as a superstar of the eighties. Johnston is certainly not suffering from the second year "blues", a common complaint of young players who do well in their first year.

Johnston is vital to Carlton's premiership chances despite a nagging knee injury.

The pacy left-footer convinced selectors he should play against Melbourne last week, though he had plaster removed from his injured knee two days before the match.

The move was warranted because Johnston kicked three goals and again played a prominent part in a Carlton victory.

SA - VIC feud hots up

The footballing feud between South Australia and Victoria hotted up again last week . . . this time SANFL was firing the verbal bullets.

Last week VFL president Dr Allen Aylett criticised the SANFL for being defensive in the promotion and future development of Aussie Rules.

This week SANFL general manager Don Roach hit back with some more comments to add further fuel to the running battle between the States.

He claimed:

- The entire SA Teal Cup squad had been signed by Victorian talent scouts.
- 20 other South Australian players had been signed.
- 10 former SA players were currently playing VFL football.

Mr Roach said because Victoria had about 264,000 registered footballers compared with only 167,000 in the rest of Australia they should be exporting footballers, not importing them.

He said if Victoria didn't have a single interstater, they would still be the No. 1 football State.

"If we're guilty of trying to build SA as a powerful football State, then we're as guilty as pie," he said.

"There ought to be a limit of three interstate players on a Victorian club list at any one point in time."

Mr Roach said a restriction would help football generally. It would allow talented youngsters to prove themselves and also allow a former interstater to return to his original State and give a reasonable length of service.

He said only three South Australians had returned to play more than 50 games after stints in Victoria.

He said he didn't want to see SA football suffer the wholesale rape of players that had happened in Tasmania.

Tasmanians number 32 in VFL ranks — a factor which greatly undermined that State's football strength.

The VFL, WA and SA officials will discuss a proposed interstate ceiling on July 25.



RECORD IN SIGHT

Port Adelaide full forward Tim Evans is closing in on a club goalkicking record — which in itself has uncovered an old error.

Evans, who has now booted 80 goals for the season, needs another 16 in the remaining eight qualifying games to break the club record set by James Prideaux in 1935.

A typographical error has recorded that Les Dayman held the club record with 99 goals kicked in 1930. But a check of the records shows that the figure should be 89.

MILESTONE MAN

Port Adelaide wingman Kym Kinnear led his side out against Sturt last week to notch his 150th game for the club.

Kinnear is one of the youngest players to reach this milestone, joining Port in 1973 from Rosewater. He is still only 24 and now has the 300-game target in sight.

BIG LOSS

South Australian football might have survived by downing the VFA but financially the match was a disaster.

Only 9468 people attended the game — much less than the 16,000-odd expected — and this has cost the SANFL thousands of dollars.

BOUNCING PROBLEMS

Umpires in South Australia are also under pressure about the way they bounce the ball.

Football Times columnist and Glenelg champion Graham Cornes raised the question recently about why the VFA and VFL umps can bounce the ball higher. There must be a message there somewhere.



GOALS!

It was almost a case of Ian Williams versus Noel Carter at Bassendean Oval last week when top sides Swan Districts and South Fremantle clashed in the match-of-the-round. They kicked the first seven goals of the match between them, with Williams setting a hot pace. He kicked Swans' first from a mark, their second from a great snapshot, their third from a free-kick, their fourth was another snap and then their fifth was when he read the ball beautifully off the back of the pack. At the same time Carter marked and goaled for South's first and then shot truly on the run for their second. It was Basil Campbell who broke the spell by kicking South's third goal.

The wet weather last week didn't help the leading goalkickers in our competition. The league's top two scorers - Simon Beasley (Swans) and Warren Ralph (Claremont) struggled to get touches in the wet and failed to goal. Beasley managed one point and Ralph kicked two points. However, both players are better footballers than that - and their respective coaches certainly know it!

Joe McKay is one of those rare breed of talented big men who can adapt to any key position in attack or defence - and South Fremantle use him well in both zones. Last week, against Swans, McKay was just 'plodding along' at centre-half-back, but was swung into attack in the third term. He immediately fired the forward zone and grabbed South's seventh goal with a great mark; he played on and swung around on to his left foot and snapped truly. That was one of the goals that got South going in their match-winning third term.

Field umpire Ron Powell was 'conned' by East Perth's Chris Allen on Saturday - and it nearly cost West Perth a goal. Cardies utility player Geoff Hendriks marked about 20-metres out of goal and as he turned to walk back for his kick, Allen crept over the mark by about seven metres. Powell didn't notice Allen moving right up and Hendriks was forced to kick the wet, heavy ball a lot further than he should have. But he goaled, so the situation remained stable. But it does highlight a point of players creeping over the mark.

Murray Couper was certainly in brilliant form in the goalkicking department for East Perth last week - before he was carted off the ground with concussion. However, he still kicked three great goals and the third one earned him Town and Country's \$100 cheque for the goal of the day on Channel 7's World of Football show. Couper is certainly one of the best kicks in league football and his left foot snap shot was an absolute gem.

GOLDEN BOOT

SIMON BEASLEY (Swans)	54.41
WARREN RALPH (Claremont)	53.24
PETER BOSUSTOW (Perth)	48.30
DOUG SIMMS (Perth)	45.26
ROD ALDERTON (West Perth)	45.26
KEN JUDGE (East Frem.)	41.27
IAN WILLIAMS (Swans)	38.24
PETER MUNRO (Subiaco)	35.24
JIM KRAKOUER (Claremont)	34.24
NOEL CARTER (South Frem.)	34.22

FOOTBALL FORUM



Controversy over the demise of the stab kick in football has raged for many years. Today's play-on, run-on system has dominated coaching theories. But football fan C.C. Farmer, of Dianella, poses some interesting thoughts on the subject...

WHAT IS HAPPENING TO OUR GAME?

Recent comments by a number of senior Sandover Medallists in the Daily News on the state of the game today inspire the following observations which might interest you in your promotion of football.

Firstly, many people are mystified about the demise of the drop-kick.

As Australian football was developed around the drop-kick and its ultimate refinement, the stab pass, its disappearance is bewildering, for its departure has taken 75% of the skill from the game.

Perhaps one of our trendy coaches could explain why this fast, low trajectory and the most accurate footpass ever devised has been rejected in favour of the high, floating punt so monotonously used today.

How would a tennis coach fare who restricted his charges to lobs only and permitted no other strokes? Perhaps he would remain in business only if all the other coaches followed his fashion, but the game would suffer.

This is what is happening to football. For some years now all teams, regardless of size, skill, speed or strength, have been trying to play the same style of game featuring high punts meandering through the sky, giving time for players to assemble beneath, with each team having a 50-50 chance of getting the ball. If a teammate of the kicker gets it, then it's just sheer good luck. All the kicker can do is hope a teammate wins possession.

It is this Punt and Hope game that has reduced football to a game of chance.

And yet our football experts are always telling us how "professional" the players are today!

Would real professionals risk passing the ball in such an uncertain, amateurish way as we now see, clumsy punt passes that are only 50% successful?

The stab pass required fast leading which gave an opponent even a metre away almost no chance of intercepting.

We don't see much of this now. Lolly-dop punt passes are usually directed straight to a player who has to stand stock still waiting for the ball to reach him, which it usually does at the same time as one or more fast moving opponents.

Yet the coaches seem quite happy about it.

And a lot of people will tell us "the game is much faster today". Sports writers have been saying this for the last 50 years to my knowledge, and will still be saying it in another 50.

It is a great catchcry repeated by ex-players not realising that the game always seems faster to the ageing onlooker than it did when he was a young participant.

I suspect it's the excess of handball that gives the illusion of speed. Certainly a chain of handpasses can require rapid movement of ball and players. But how often, when the chain is broken, do we see that the ball is less than half a kick away from where the sequence started?

Yes, it has been fast play, but has the effort been worth it? Especially when at least one of the players involved has had the opportunity to kick, but has carried on punching instead.

The coaches who are apparently so complacently satisfied with this are the same ones who scornfully deride the "short-passing game". Watching all this handball going on, makes one wonder what it is if it's not short passing?

The average stab pass would cover about three times the distance of the average handpass in no more time, because you can kick harder than you can punch. And the receiver can always take his kick if tackled. Every way you look at it, the stab is superior to the methods of passing we now see.

Handball has its uses and is a valuable



John Todd

skill to have, but it should not take over from football.

How many times do we see backmen bursting into the clear with the ball, but instead of kicking it up among their half-forwards they will punch it to a teammate alongside them or even behind them, a practise which frequently sees an opponent take possession within scoring distance. We see the same men doing the same thing next week, and the week after. The coach hasn't dropped them from the team or dropped them with a sandbag or anything.

And yet these are grown men of league standard who are regularly committing these glaring errors, which they should have corrected by the time they were 11 years old.

There was a time, not so long ago, when football was a game of skill, when each team would evolve a style of play to suit their particular strength, instead of all playing a game suitable to a high-marking team as they do now.

A team weak on high marking would always keep the ball low and the best way to do this was to use the stab kick. A shining example of this style was East Fremantle, which generally fielded the smallest team in the league, but developed the short passing game to such a degree that the team was hardly ever out of the top four. Since adopting the Punt and Hope game, however, premierships have been few and far between.

This concentration on punt kicking is having a bad effect for the future. There is a generation growing up which knows nothing of the dropkick. Watch kids kicking a ball in a park, they hold the ball at arms length, totter forward one or two steps and swing one leg up stiffly to meet the ball in a clumsy version of what used to be known as the "schoolgirl punt". The ball goes in the vague direction of the chaps at the other end, who nine times out of 10 have to fox it anyway. Not very inspiring.

At least the dropkick required the kicker to run in as though he meant business and the ball usually gave the other chaps a chance to mark.

Who would ever have thought that the "schoolgirl punt" would become the accepted method of kicking in league football?

Please do not accuse me of belittling schoolgirls. Football is not the game they are trained for, although I have known some schoolgirls who could dropkick better than some league players today.

Australia's first female football critic...

MOTHER BROWN

Well, what a match it was between South Fremantle and Swan Districts last Saturday.

If anybody walked away from Bassendean disappointed about the game, they'll never be satisfied.

It was the closest I've ever seen to a Victorian style game.

People talked about the way Souths should have wrapped the game up in the third quarter but could have thrown victory away by kicking 2.11. Well, the simple fact of the matter was that Swans applied immense pressure to the opposition forwards.

I say "Well Done" to both teams and what a cracker-jack grand final it would be if these two teams played off.

Just one more point before I leave this match. How on earth could that critic in the Green Pages give Gerard Neesham the best on the ground? I agree he played well but I thought his efforts didn't match those of Geoff O'Brien, Maurice Rioli or Stephen Michael.

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WELL DONE CUNDERDIN

Congratulations to the people of Cunderdin for looking after the Perth boys last week.

While the State side was battling it out in Melbourne Perth players spent the weekend in Cunderdin being entertained by the locals.

The highlight of the weekend was testing the delicacies of pigs on spits at the farm of Kim Coleman's parents.

Maybe they over-fed them though because Perth fell down badly against Claremont and bang went one of my predictions for the four.

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CARLISLE LOUTS

Sometimes I wonder about the mentality of some people. This time I'm talking about the disgusting vandalism at the Carlisle Football Club's premises.

What a cruel shame that a club's history can get wrecked by a couple of louts out looking for some fun.

And I'm most probably adding to their fun by making these comments but I'd like to see them caught, preferably by one of the Carlisle officials.

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COME OFF IT FRED

Freddie (Fred Woods, TVW 7 World of Football panel member) you really did go overboard with your comments on the umpiring of Peter Cameron in the State-of-Origin match.

It was almost as if you were trying to excuse some of the poor performances of some of our umpires this season by highlighting some of the Victorian's mistakes.

Graham Moss didn't agree with you Fred. After the match he said he hadn't really noticed the umpires and therefore they must have done a good job.

I agree with Graham.

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EXPERTS DON'T AGREE

Will the critics ever agree? Naturally opinions on almost anything will always differ but it does amaze me that the critics never seem to agree.

Take the Sandover Medal guide in Westside Football for example. In the games played this season, critics from all media have agreed only twice on the player who was best-on-ground.

Cheers,

EILEEN BROWN



COME BACK... could be the plaintiff cry of Perth's Paul Grigg as he flings himself across the boundary line in a vain attempt to mark the ball.

Grigg beats run of injuries

Paul Grigg certainly had a reputation to live up to before he played league football.

Nineteen year old Grigg is a product of an exceptionally strong football team and his grandfather, Harry Grigg was also a top player with Perth in the 1920's and 30's.

Grigg is one of 10 league players to come out of the 1975 State schoolboys football team.

Others to burst into league ranks from that side have been giant Demon ruckman Wayne Simms, Royals pair Barrie Quick and Russell Sparks, Subiaco defender Mitch Fussell, Swans trio Craig Hoyer, Skender Dikolli, and classy centremen Mike Smith and East Fremantle Vince Reid and Gavin Carter.

Grigg's grandfather was an all-time great Demon, playing 198 games with the club.

So when Paul Grigg arrived at Lathlain Park he certainly had a reputation to live up to.

He started his football career with the Queens Park club as a seven-year-old and stayed there till he was 15 - and then he turned his sights toward Lathlain Park.

One season in the colts, where he displayed some real eye-catching form, earmarked him as a star of the future. He started the 1977 season with the colts but was promoted to the reserves competition after only seven games.

A slight knee injury then provided Grigg with the first setback of his career. He found himself back with the colts team in 1978 and had to wait a further 11 games before his chance in reserves came again. But then he played all the final round with the reserves.

But 1979 opened and again he was relegated to the colts. Some startling form, which again suggested league potential, he was promoted, only to break down with another knee injury.

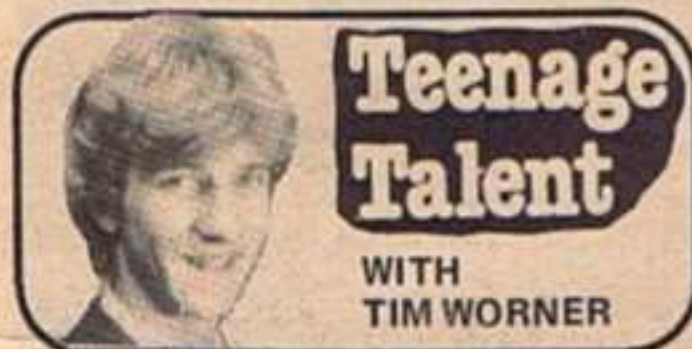
Grigg believes interests other than football may have made his road to league football a difficult one.

"I played a fair bit of baseball early on and I guess this could have hampered my progress," he says.

The knee injury could not have come at a worse time for Grigg as many keen football judges were forecasting an early league debut. He developed severe cartilage problems and it was a long hard battle before he was fully recovered.

"John Fisher and Ray Roberts, from Perth, didn't want to push me back into football too quickly and referred me to a specialist," he says.

"I spent many hours building up my quadriceps muscles before going into hospital and when training began in January this year, just when I thought everything was going smoothly again, I broke down again."



Teenage Talent

WITH TIM WORNER

"We had just finished doing some sprint work and Alan Joyce split us up into groups to do different activities. My group was doing man-to-man work.

"I was chasing Doug Simms at the time and as I turned quickly to catch him my knee just collapsed.

"It felt like the top half of my leg went one way and the bottom half went another way. I had done a lot of hard work last summer and I just saw it all go down the drain."

Experts found the answer to be a schedule of heavy weights to rebuild the area that had been damaged and Grigg worked at his problem with fierce enthusiasm and desire to get back on the track.

He started training again, but the knee collapsed once more, but a solid five-nights-a-week weights programme saw him on the road to recovery.

"It's good now - there are no worries" he says.

But where did the injuries and his already 'up-and-down' selection problems leave him?

He was understandably disheartened and probably not really sure if it had been - or was going to be - all worth it.

"By this stage most of my mates were playing reserves or league football and I did not know what to do" he says.

Grigg's seven league games have proved to him and to Perth supporters that it certainly has been well worth the effort.

After missing the first four league games this year, he knuckled right down to the task and came out a real winner.

He is a noticeable quick-thinker on the football field and reads the play well. He has certainly added some fresh young blood and exuberance to the Demon's defence.

Like many back-pocket players, he has found the Krakouer brothers to be more than a handful.

"They are extremely talented and position their bodies very well - if you get in front they fly over the top of you - if you come from behind they outposition you" he says.

And what lies in the future for the final year boilermaker/welder apprentice?

"I would like to notch up 150 games for Perth and I think the biggest thrill of all would be to make it in the VFL" he says.

Paul was originally approached by Fitzroy back in 1975 on the State Schoolboys tour.

UGS boost carnival stocks

Upper Great Southern boosted their Wesfarmers country championships stocks with an impressive win in the combined carnival at Albany last weekend.

UGS, with their captain Keith Miller showing that he has lost none of the class that made him a State player, won the final against Lower South West, 12.8 to 3.1.

After nearly 3in of rain in two days, the conditions were heavy and muddy in Albany, but there was plenty of top-class football.

UGS took an early grip on the game and led 7.6 to 2.1 at half-time. They sealed the issue in the third term and though they were held down to a solitary goal in the final quarter it was more that LSW could score.

Haydn Edwards, who controlled the centre position for UGS throughout the final, won the umpires vote for best-on-ground.

Goal scorers in the final were - UGS: Kain, B. Winmar 3; Edwards, Miller 2; Duffield, Durwood. LSW: Baeli, Fox, Booth.

Best players were - UGS: Edwards, P. Winmar, B. Winmar, Murray, Kain, Miller. LSW: Wilkin, de Campo, Rod Lee, Ritchie Lee, Rynski, Fox.

LSW rover Ron de Campo won the Caris Medal for the best player in the carnival.

Results of the lead-up matches for the final were:

SECTION ONE: Upper Great Southern 6.11 b Central Great Southern 4.5; CGS 5.11 b Lake Grace-Kulin 2.7; LGK 2.8 b UGS 1.5. SECTION TWO: Lower South West 8.18 b Ongerup 2.4; Southern Districts 11.11 b Ongerup 2.1; LSW 4.17 b Southern Districts 3.7.

The colts grand final resulted in Southern Districts (16.16) beating Lake Grace-Kulin 1.3.

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Tschirpig finds new life with Demons

It's been a case of "Have boots will travel" for Perth ruck-rover Bruce Tschirpig over the last decade.

He's got more "formers" before his name than anybody playing league football today.

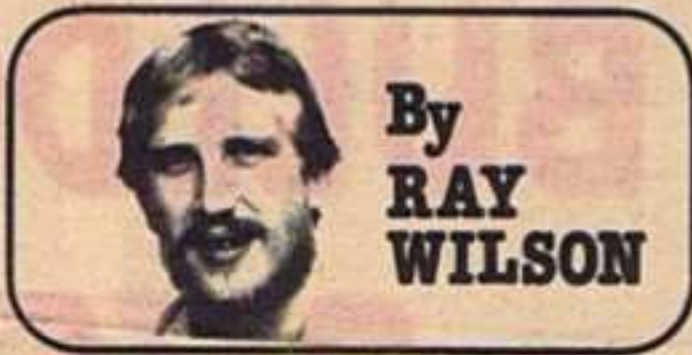
Bruce (30) is a former Richmond player (twice), a former La Trobe player (Tasmania), a former East Fremantle player, a former Kelmscott player and a current Demon.

Here's a brief outline of his football career in four states.

- Pre-1971; a Sturt colts player at the age of 15, then a medal winner in the Mildura competition.
- 1971; recruited from Mildura to Richmond where he played seven games as a 20 year-old before a knee injury.
- 1972-75; Played with La Trobe in the Devenport competition in Tasmania under Darryl Baldock. Won State selection and in one of the years won the medal for the best performance in State matches.
- 1976; enticed back to the VFL to train with South Melbourne but Richmond refused to let him go. Played three league games and Reserve matches that season.
- 1977; Came to East Fremantle and played 30 games in two-and-a-half years.
- 1979; fell out with coach Brad Smith and attempted to move to South Fremantle who refused to pay \$5000 transfer fee.
- 1979; decided to join Kelmscott in the SSMFL under ABC commentator Dennis Commetti. Won the Association medal.
- 1980; was talked back to league football by Alan Joyce and now is making an impact with the Demons.

Tschirpig (Polish in origin) has added sparkle to Perth's following division and has also been used in the centre.

He says he plays on confidence and has been helped greatly this season by Alan Joyce.



By
**RAY
WILSON**

"Everything has come back nicely over the last few weeks," Tschirpig says. "And though I'm getting on in years,



Bruce Tschirpig

I hope to put in at least another season after this one."

Age hasn't halted Tschirpig's blistering pace off the mark and his flow-on style of play is suited to the overall style of the Demons.

FLASHBACK...

In 1888 an English rugby team came to Australia, however, the side finished up playing 25 games of Australian Rules, winning fourteen. They certainly must have been versatile sportsmen, or maybe the pressure wasn't as great in those days.

GARY'S GOSSIP



My good mate Bob Cribb suggested that I bring to Freddie Wood's attention, the fact that the VFL use "bounce pads" in the centre of the ground — a synthetic surface that assures (most times anyway) the umpire of an accurate bounce down. To my surprise Freddie was dead against the idea. He maintains that an even accurate bounce on all occasions wouldn't be fair on some players. I don't know how my learned friend "the Judge" worked that one out, but that's his decision, like it or not. As for me, I like the innovation and think it should be investigated in more detail by the W.A.F.L. What do you think?

ALEXANDER HEADING WEST FOR EAST?

The big rumour this week concerns Fitzroy ruckman, Ron Alexander. My information is that "Big Ron" could be heading back home to East Perth next season. Alexander has been a great success in the V.F.L. and is respected by both players and officials alike. The timing could be right for Ron Alexander to pack his bags and head home to the West, or should I say "East".

BIG MONEY

My spies tell me that the original offer by Geelong to Stephen Michael was approximately \$25,000 for one season. The rumour is that Geelong's latest package to Stephen is \$45,000 for a season plus two return air fares to W.A. plus a trip to Victoria for his parents. There is a lot of money around these days (in Victoria anyway) for good footballers. Mario Turco, who has played mainly reserves for North Melbourne this season, is rumoured to be receiving \$75,000 for three seasons with the Kangaroos. So the huge amounts of money being quoted for Brian Peake and the Krakouer brothers could be spot on.

SIDEBOTTOM WILL STAY

There has been a lot of tales from certain quarters regarding Garry Sidebottom and the possibility that he may be returning to Swan Districts sooner than we all think. Personally, I believe there is no way that Garry will come home in the near future. While he is not performing up to expectations on the football field, he is going extremely well selling V.F.L. insurance to St Kilda supporters. In fact Garry is in partnership with another former Swan's star Gary McDonald and they have their own agency for V.F.L. Insurances at St Kilda. So regardless of his football form it would take quite a deal of money to get "Sidey" back home to Swans.

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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.

JULY 12	West Australian	Sunday Times	Sunday Independent	Weekend News	TVW7	6PR	6IX	6PM	Umpires
Swan Districts v South Fremantle	Colin Hopkins: O'Brien (SF) Rioli (SF) Melrose (SD)	Alan East: Michael (SF) Melrose Smith (SD)	Kevin O'Brien: Williams (SD) Rioli Melrose	Doug Young: Neesham (SD) O'Brien Campbell	Marty McDonnell: Rioli O'Brien Melrose	Alan East: Michael Melrose Smith	Frank Sparrow: Barrett (SF) Michael Rioli	Colin Hopkins: O'Brien Rioli Melrose	Capes/O'Reilly
East Perth v West Perth	Geoff Christian: Michalczyk (EP) Allen (EP) Logen (WP)	Geoff Wornor: Spencer (EP) Michalczyk Turner (EP)	Bob Cribb: Michalczyk Turner Otway (EP)	Robbie Burns: Michalczyk Spencer Allen	John Rogers: Michalczyk Spencer Allen	Oscar Howard: Michalczyk Watling (WP) Turner	Phil Mulcahy: Michalczyk Duke (EP) Otway (EP)	Jack Sweet: Michalczyk Allen Spencer	Powell/Troode
Claremont v Perth	A. Carew-Reid: P. Krakouer (C) Blackwell (C) J. Krakouer (C)	Robert Bennett: J. Krakouer Hunter (C) Cook (P)	Julian Stawell: J. Krakouer Moss (C) Trew (C)	Paul Simpson: Betts (C) P. Krakouer Tschirpig (P)	Kevin Murray: Blackwell J. Krakouer P. Krakouer	Peter Van Helden: Hunter Tschirpig J. Krakouer	Laurie Nugent: J. Krakouer Hunter Moss (C)	Allan Stiles: Blackwell (C) Cook Betts	Buckey/Hearne
East Fremantle v Subiaco	John Sheterline: Peake (EF) Taylor (EF) Gepp (S)	Rod Lane: Peake Sewell (EF) Gepp	Rob Indersmith: Peake Buhagiar (EF) Carrot (EF)	Peter Sweeney: Peake Taylor Carrott (EF)	Steve Marsh: Peake Sewell Dobson	J.K. Watts: Peake Dobson Sewell	Rowley Daw: N. Taylor (S) Peake Sewell	Joe Fanchi: Peake Taylor Marshall	Lendich/Morris

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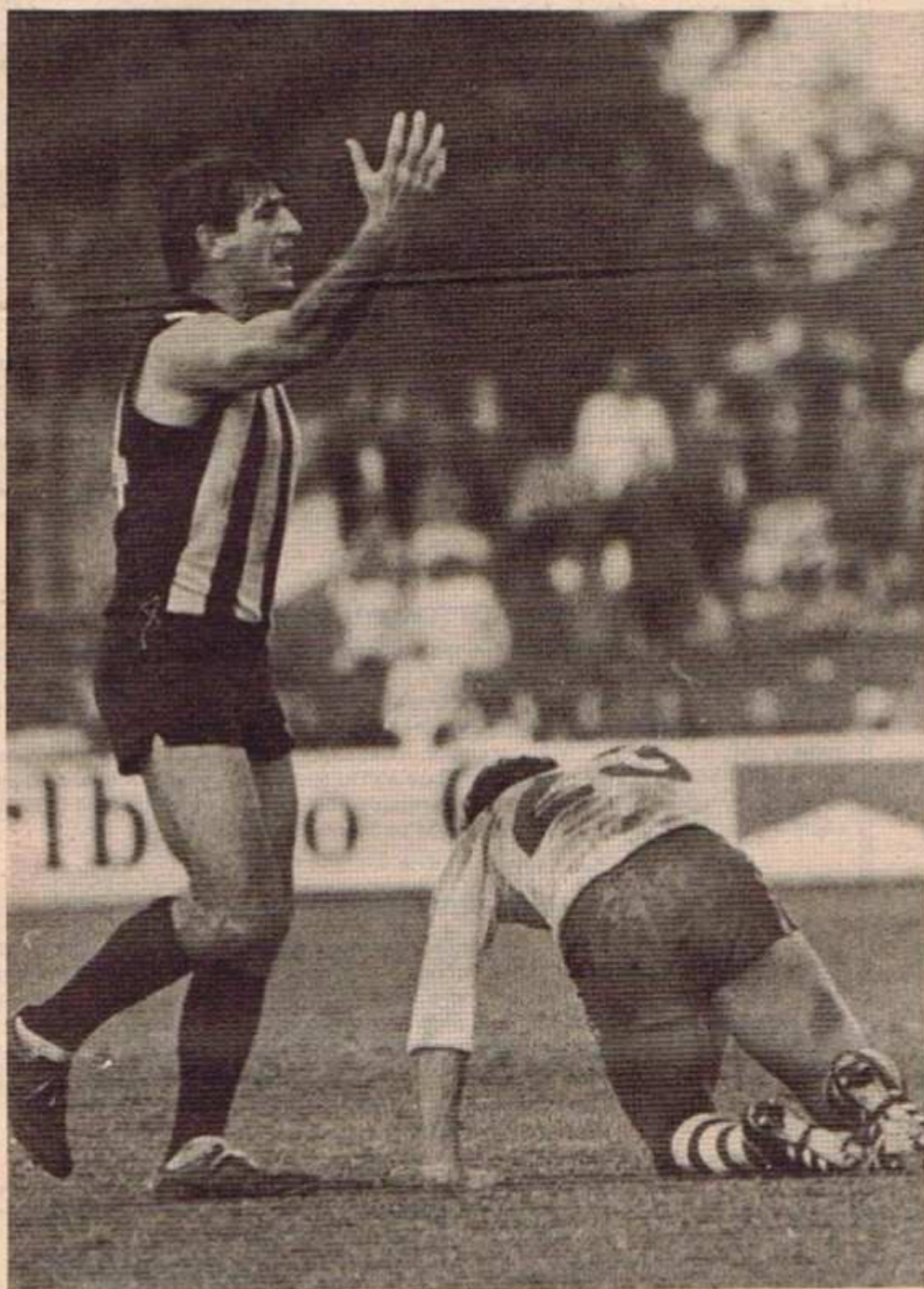
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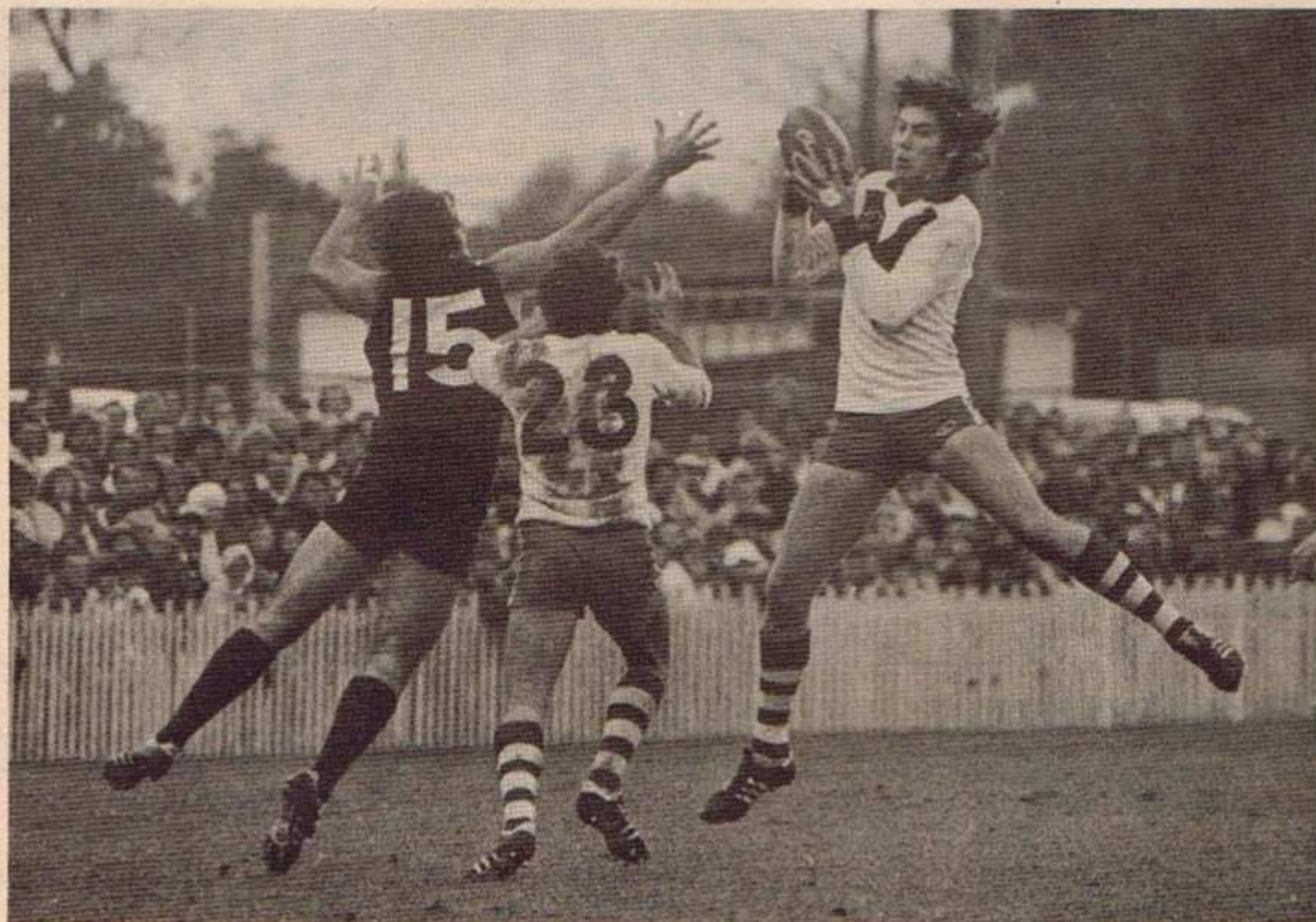


BULLDOG BITE STOPS SWANS FLIGHT

LEFT:
WHAT'S WRONG WITH THAT . . . declares an angry Stan Nowotny as the Swans captain is penalised for an infringement against South defender Simon Outhwaite.

RIGHT:
GO . . . says Stephen Michael as he thumps the ball away in the direction of a waiting Maurice Rioli (49).

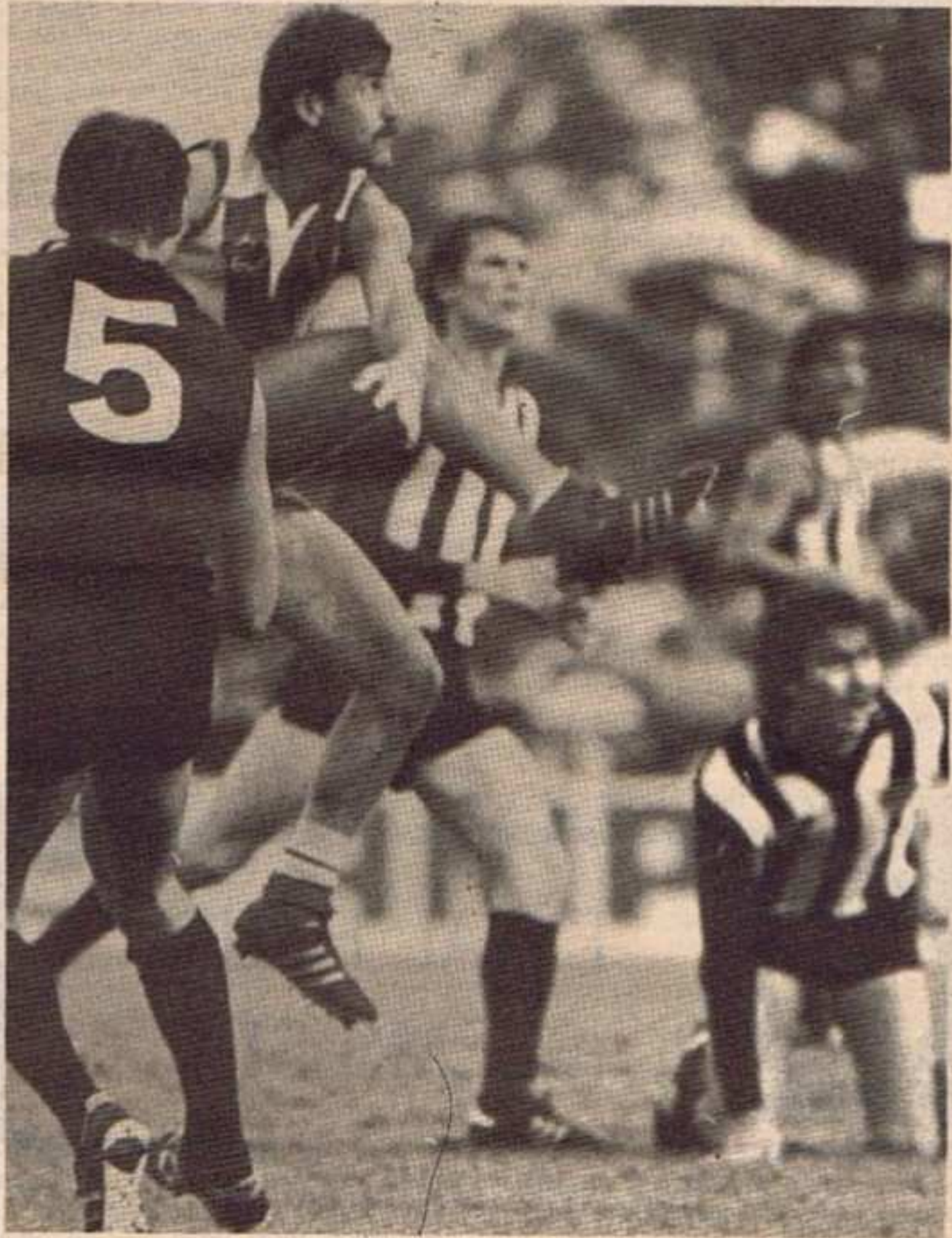
BELOW:
GOT IT . . . is the look on Derek Shaw's face as the big defender marks safely to repel another Swans attack.



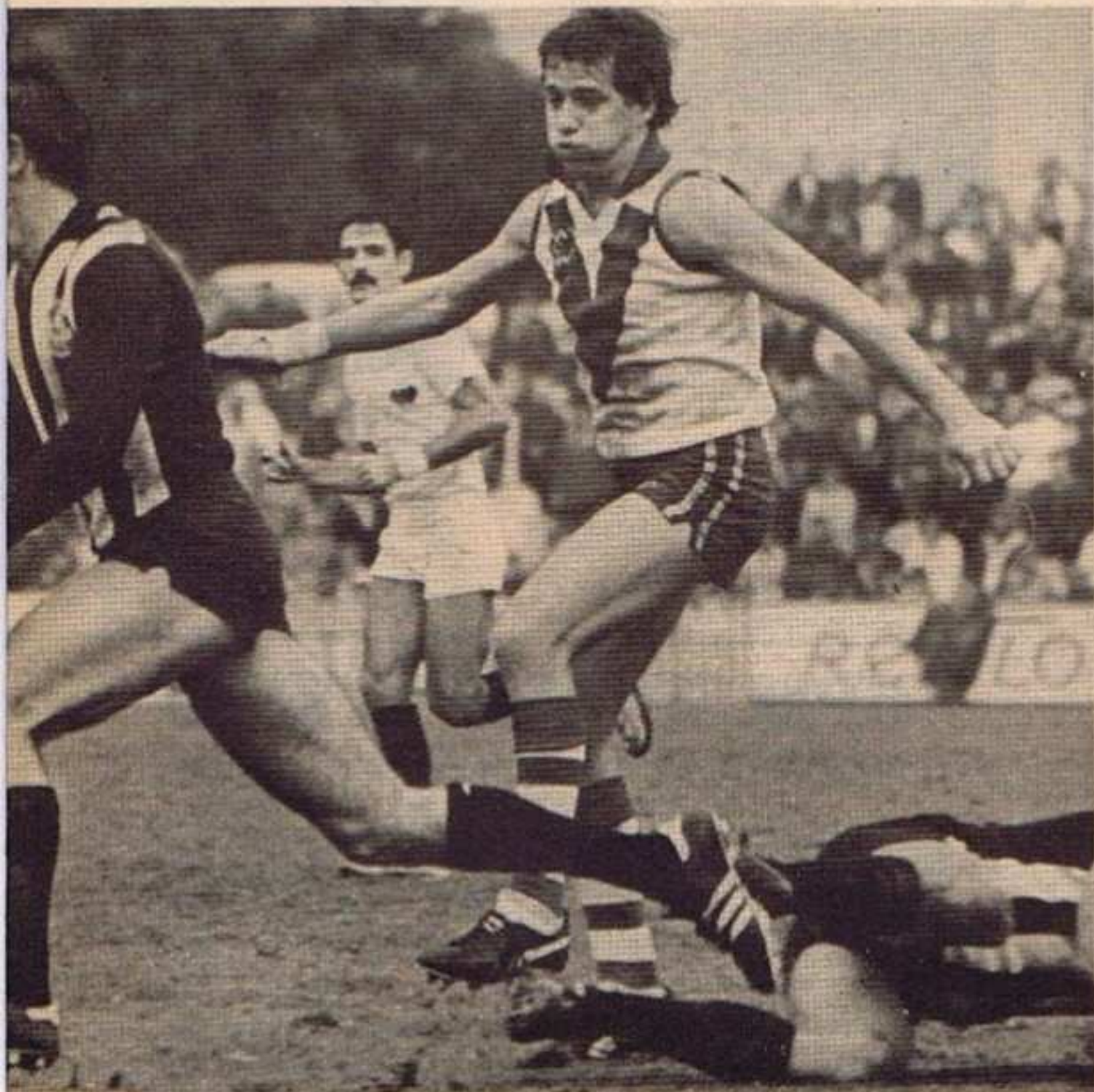


ABOVE: DO WHAT I SAY! Field umpire Phil O'Reilly is quite emphatic, but confusion reigns on the ground as Brad Hardie (SF), Stephen Michael (SF), Gerard Neesham (SD), Brian Hemming (SD), Basil Campbell (SF) and Ron Boucher all find themselves in different situations.

RIGHT: GOALWARDS . . . that's the wish of South's ruck-rover Paul Mountain as he boots the ball towards the goals.



BELOW: WHERE'S THE LEAD . . . that's the thought of Swans defender Tony Solin as he is about to clear safely.



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SUNDAY SCENE



ROCKINGHAM'S BIG UPSET

Rockingham, the newest side in the South Suburban-Murray competition, pulled off the upset of the season by downing top side Mandurah and throwing the premiership table into confusion last week.

Mandurah had loomed as the team to beat midway through the season, but recent losses to Rockingham, Gosnells — in a disputed decision — and Kelmscott have raised a query on their prospects.

They now have a two-week break before tackling another top-five side, but they cannot afford any drop in attitude against Thornlie and Willetton after their disappointing effort against Rockingham.

The loss to Rockingham — by seven points — cost Mandurah top spot on the table and all eyes are now on Maddington to see if they can down Canning this week and hold pride of place on the table.

Maddington's effort in recent weeks has indicated that their team is starting to settle down and their mobile players like Dean Rakich, Terry Jones, Des Shiosaki and Leon Henry are giving the side tremendous drive. The clash at Maddington will be a severe test of strength — and could have top spot as the reward.

Canning's strength is changing. No longer do they rely on their talented little-men brigade. Now it is their big-man strength and coupled with injuries to some of their smaller, mobile players, Canning rely on their rucks Bob Becu and Ian Tracey to provide the stimulus to get the side moving.

But at home this Sunday it should be a confident Maddington who can notch their fifth consecutive victory and consolidate at the top of the table.

Gosnells, who are clinging to fifth place with a handy percentage advantage over Kwinana, will know their fate for 1980 when the two sides clash at Gosnells this week.

Gosnells showed their strength by

downing Mandurah in that controversial game two weeks ago, but they faded badly against Kelmscott last week to finish eight goals behind at the final bell.

Kwinana also found themselves under pressure last Sunday, but they managed to stave off a determined Kalamunda to win by three points and this clash should produce some tough no-holds-barred football.

If Gosnells can get big ruckman Percy Johnson firing and look to centreliners Trevor Williams and Arthur Jones to provide midfield drive, then they should be able to account for Kwinana and remove their major threat to their finals berth.

The premiership table is still a cut-throat affair and no side can afford a lapse.

For that reason Kelmscott should be able to subdue an enthusiastic Rockingham, down at Rockingham and Mandurah should beat Thornlie.

Kenwick, who have slipped out of the race, face Kalamunda — and on Kalamunda's form of last week, that could be another loss for Kenwick.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W	L	For	Ag	Pc	Pts
Maddington	12	3	1646	1102	149	48
Mandurah	11	4	1729	1109	155	44
Canning	11	4	1751	1150	152	44
Kelmscott	11	4	1499	1229	121	44
Gosnells	10	5	1719	1272	135	44
Kwinana	10	5	1469	1354	108	40
Kenwick	8	7	1421	963	147	32
Thornlie	6	9	1320	1587	83	24
Rockingham	4	11	1072	1915	55	16
Willetton	3	12	1373	1692	81	12
Kalamunda	3	12	1471	1817	80	12
Armadale	1	14	925	2097	44	4



FINAL FOUR SEEMS SET

The W.A.F.A. final four became virtually finalised last week when the top four teams beat the bottom four.

Wanneroo now look certain to play South Perth in the second semi final with Applecross and Mosman Park clashing in the first semi.

But South Perth showed they could be a real threat to Wanneroo's hopes of winning their third consecutive flag when they booted 11 goals in the third term of their match against Cockburn to win by 28 points.

Captain-coach Phil Haughan, who booted six goals in that term to give him 10 for the match, was the man who turned a two goal deficit at half time into a stirring victory.

And at the same time former East Fremantle half forward Kerry Coates' price for winning the W.A.F.A.'s fairest and best award shortened.

Coates has been the in-form player in the W.A.F.A. this season and has not been out of Souths best three for about seven weeks.

This week South Perth should consolidate their place in second spot by beating

Osborne Park at Ernest Johnson Oval in the first game of the final round.

Wanneroo, three games clear on top of the list, will have an interesting duel with third placed Applecross at Kingsway Reserve.

Applecross, with strength on the ball, play a tough, physical brand of football and they could trouble the powerful Roos.

Stopping full forward Colin Northcott will be one of the priorities of the Applecross side — the former West Perth player has been in top form recently and is fast approaching his 100 goals for the season.

Northcott has already kicked 92 goals this year and will be keen to make it 100 this week.

The clash between ruck-rovers Laurie Richards (Wanneroo) and Ian Crawford (Applecross), two of the most spectacular marks in the game, will be a highlight.

Crawford has been used at centre-half-forward in most games since returning to the Hawks from East Fremantle earlier in the season but coach Tony Ryan is likely to play him on the ball against the Roos.



SA PROVE TOO STRONG

A desperate South Australian State amateur football side shook off a determined W.A.A.F.L. State team to win by 28 points in an interstate clash at Leederville Oval last Saturday.

Throughout the game there was only a margin of a goal or two between the two top Australian amateur teams.

The local team led at every change and looked likely to hang on to record their third successive victory over representative teams this year. In the final 20 minutes of the game the 'Croweaters' clicked, and with superior pace, controlled use of handball and accuracy in kicking in atrocious conditions, along with ascendancy across the centre and more positive forward movements they put the game beyond WA's reach with four quick goals.

The game started without either side gaining any advantage due to consistent rain and wind together with muddy and slippery ground conditions.

WA's efforts in the first quarter were spoiled by inaccurate kicking for goals.



JOHN TINCKNELL

In the second quarter SA's forwards started to gain control with Coulls, Antonello and Manuel winning.

This was partly offset by the dominance of WA's interstate rookie ruckman John Hedges and newly appointed captain Colin Tincknell's tireless efforts. Two quick goals towards the end of the second quarter enabled WA to maintain their eight point advantage at half time.

In the third quarter South Australian centreman Homan was gaining control along with Wells (wing), Pearce (ruck) and making WA's forward moves difficult, with their only clear winners, Ken Duffy,

Seal and the consistent Howes. Both veteran SA coach Howard Mutton and WA's Harry Neesham moved players about to get extra lift and drive.

In the final term the scores were levelled in the first five minutes of play. However, a tired WA backline and ruck were unable to maintain earlier pressure and allowed the visitors in for several quick goals.

South Australia, more desperate for victory since their defeats against WA in 1979 and Victoria last month, had approached the game with greater desire whilst perhaps the W.A.A.F.L. team had approached the game with a little less attitude than when they met Victoria.

S.A.A.F.L. no doubt felt their outlay of \$12,000 to bring their State team to Perth was justified by the result and will look forward to the return interstate match in Adelaide in 1981.

In the curtain raiser to the main game a combined W.A.A.F.L. 'B', 'C' & 'D' colts defeated an 'A' colts team in a top exhibition of football. The final scores were 7-11 to 6-7. Best for combined colts were McGillvray, Barnes, Hutchison and for 'A' colts McLaren, Barendse and Sullivan.

MATCH DETAILS

S.A.A.F.L.	2.3	5.7	8.11	13.16	94
W.A.A.F.L.	3.5	6.9	9.10	9.12	66

SCORERS: S.A.A.F.L.: Antonello 3.2; Alstrope 2.2; Annear 2.1; Smart 2.0; Manuel 1.2; Olekains 1.2; Coluus 1.1; Katsaros 1.0; Homan 0.1; Flynn 0.1; Inglis 0.1; forced 0.3. W.A.A.F.L.: Colcott 2.3; Phillips 2.0; Raykos 1.1; Belyea 1.0; Howes 1.0; Hedges 1.0; Gray 1.0; Seal 0.3; Cross 0.1; Nelson 0.1; forced 0.3. BEST: S.A.A.F.L.: Homan, Pearce, Coluus, Manuel, Annear, Wells. W.A.A.F.L. K. Duffy, Hedges, Seal, Howes, Phillips.

CLUB FIXTURES

Normal club fixtures resume this Saturday with great interest in two 'A' league games. University (sixth) must defeat Wembley (third) at McGillivray Oval No. 1 to keep their finals hopes alive.

At Leederville Oval Mt Lawley (fourth) will contest against Nollamara (second) and must win to maintain fourth spot. A loss for Mt Lawley could mean that Collegians (fifth) slip into fourth for the first time this year.

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MOVE OVER FELLAS...



Football is certainly no longer the sole domain of the male

Even in juniors, we have young girls coming into their own.

We've already had a story this year of a young girl playing junior football in the South Fremantle territory . . . and these two photographs show girls in other roles — one as umpire and the other at a coaching clinic.

Joyce De Reus, 19, of Belmont, made her debut in the R & I Little League match at Bassendean Oval recently — and did an excellent job with the whistle. Joyce joined the Swan Districts junior umpires panel last year and showed potential as a central umpire.

The other picture was taken at a Town and Country coaching clinic at East Perth — and Royals star Phil Kelly is showing 13-year-olds Tammy Bors (left) and Wendy O'Neill, both of Lockridge, how to hand-ball.



JUNIOR QUIZ

Swan Districts might have lost their first game for the season last week . . . but they didn't lose any friends with their game performance.

And our junior quiz winner this week is a keen Swans fan in **ANDREW MICHAEL**, of Beechboro.

Andrew's entry was the first correct coupon to be opened and have the answers to Quiz No. 14 correct. Those quiz questions were all based on interstate football and it was good to see most of our junior entrants right on the ball with their answers.

This week's questions are all answered somewhere in this edition of Westside Football, so go to it kids. But watch out — question No. 2 is a tricky one!



Country carnival a great success

Margaret River provided the success story of East Perth's annual juniors carnival when they took out the honours last weekend in the 13's competition.

Fourteen country teams competed against 14 club teams from East Perth's district in the two-day carnival culminating in a successful wind-up and presentation at Perth Oval.

Margaret River won their division by beating Bedford in the grand final. The two other grand finals resulted in Bayswater beating Boyup Brook in the 11's and Maylands downing Warren in the 15's.

The carnival, sponsored by Ampol and Town and Country, saw teams from Augusta-Margaret River, Boyup Brook, Busselton, Nelson, and Warren travel to Perth for the carnival. The visiting boys were billeted by East Perth council clubs Bedford, Mt Lawley, Noranda, Bayswater, Morley Police Boys, Maylands, Dianella and Coolbinia.

The non-stop action kept the juniors busy on Saturday and Sunday mornings — despite the wet weather — and trophies were awarded to the outstanding player in each side and the fairest and best player in each grade.

The carnival is growing every year and is a highlight of East Perth's junior activities.

The fairest and best trophy winners in the three grades were:
11's: Anthony Stubberfield (Warren); Paul Ward (Bedford). 12's: Peter Taylor (Nelson); Gavin Smith (Bayswater). 15's: Ross Bell (Busselton); Frank Osborne (Bayswater).

Outstanding players in each team were:
11's: Troy Saunders (Collie/Boyup); Blair Carter (Busselton); Ross Sharp (Nelson); Ian Daw (Warren); Steven Young (Bayswater); James O'Callaghan (Mt Lawley); Peter Sukroo (Noranda), Craig McCartney (Bedford).

13's: David Payne (Augusta-Marg. River); Andrew Embry (Boyup); Anthony Pettit (Busselton); Darryl Longbottom (Nelson); George Gionakis (Warren); Murray Banks (Bayswater); Tony Barbaro (Maylands); Glen Hutcheson (Police Boys); Ronald Farrell (Mt Lawley); Shane Ward (Bedford).

15's: Graham Murphy (Augusta-Marg. River); Peter Gunzelli (Boyup); Peter Plozza (Busselton); Alan Splatt (Nelson); Craig Crombie (Warren); Roderick Brady (Bayswater); Tony Hunter (Coolbinia); Kevin Shorter (Dianella); Wade Sinclair (Maylands); Steven Cross (Police Boys).

Congratulations to 13-year-old Graeme Miosich, of White Gum Valley, for reaching his 100-game milestone in junior football.

Graeme, who has had to undergo a course of chemo-therapy in recent years, has shrugged off his illness to become a fairest and best winner with his junior club, South Fremantle.

He played only three games last season, but has found form and fitness this year to pass the century mark.

The North Beach 14s side are still marching along on their merry way

This team of talented youngsters have recently notched their 100th consecutive victory as they progress through the grades in the Claremont junior council district.

The boys have basically been together as a side since their days in 10s and 11s and they are still undefeated.

Star of the team is Darren Ramshaw, son of former Perth star Graham Ramshaw, who has won the district's fairest and best award almost every year since the team started their winning run.

Caltex Oil are huge sponsors of junior football in Victoria — this year they put in \$60,000 to help stage the Victorian under-17 championships.

The championships involved knockout series in country and metropolitan areas, culminating in a state final which was held down at Geelong.

The Teal Cup team was picked after the state final and came to Perth with the sponsorship support of Caltex.

QUESTION: Name the leading goalkickers in the three major football states.

ANSWER:

QUESTION: Who is the East Perth footballer who 'travels' a lot of the 'time'?

ANSWER:

QUESTION: Which club is not represented in our Golden Boot list of top 10 goalkickers.

ANSWER:

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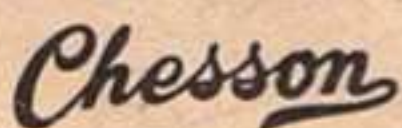
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ANSWERS TO QUIZ NO. 15: 1 — 34 teams; 2 — Claremont; 3 — West Perth. MYSTERY FOOTBALLER — John Hayes. Winner announced next week.

AVON FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

Avon has prospered since amalgamation

The Avon Football Association started in 1959 with the amalgamation of East Avon (Meckering, Cunderdin, Tammin, Kellerberrin and Quairading) and Avon Valley (Northam Federals, Town, Unions, York and Beverley.)

Since then Meckering have disbanded, Northam, Towns and Unions amalgamated to form Railways and Brookton have joined.

Nine teams now make up the Avon Football Association being Northam Federals and Railways, Cunderdin, Tammin, Kellerberrin, Quairading, Brookton, Beverley and York.

Since 1965, Avon have been represented in nine country championship A-section grand finals (a record), winning the title in 1976 and 1977.

Current Perth player John Doyle (A.F.A. fairest and best 1974), Kim Coleman (A.F.A. fairest and best 1978), Peter Chidlow (Swans) and Geoff Nitschke (Perth) have come up through the Avon competition.

The A.F.A. enjoys a mutually happy and beneficial arrangement with zoned club Perth.

Former A.F.A. president, Jock Coleman (Cunderdin), is currently president of the Wesfarmers Country Championships and A.F.A. treasurer A.S. (Bud) Byfield is current president of the West Australian Country Football League. Current A.F.A. president K.E. (Eli) Baxter is an executive member of the W.A. Country League.

Awards within the association include No. 1 sponsors M.A. and Q.P. Ward, with the \$1000 premiership award. Other awards available to players are Baxters Rural Centre Award (best A-grade player for season); 6AM award (best A-reserve player for season).

The A-grade fairest and best medal (Byfield and Stacey) has had many fine recipients.

Brothers John and Norm Dennis both won on three consecutive occasions — John in 1962, 63 and 64 and Norm in 1967, 68 and 69.

Geoff Mourish of Beverley, has also won the award three times — 1975, 76, 79.

Cunderdin are the most successful club in the competition having won five premierships — 1964, 65, 75, 77, 78, while three clubs have yet to win a flag — Northam Federals, York and Brookton.

The association has five life members in Jock Coleman, Gordon Kilpatrick, Bud

Byfield, Reg Truelove and Stan Hill. Between them Messers. Coleman, Kilpatrick, Truelove and Hill have 13 years as president and Mr Byfield, after serving a term of four years as secretary-treasurer, has now been treasurer since 1961.

The current executive consists of — President K.E. Baxter; Senior Vice-President K.T. Watson; Junior Vice-President K. McLean; Treasurer A.S. (Bud) Byfield; Secretary B.E. Byfield; Immediate Past-President R. Aitkenhead; Member S. Hill.



This historic picture is of the first delegates meeting of the Avon Football Association in 1959.

THOSE IN THE PHOTO ARE:

BACK ROW: K. Smith (K), J. Hanley (Y), R. Hathaway (K), R. Trewren (Meck.), C. Philpott (Tam.), F. Rennie (Y), B. Schleicher (Bev.), P. Norrish (F), L. Oliver (Meck.), J. Clancy (Towns), D. Ratcliffe (Bev.), G. Lyall (Unions)
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 FRONT ROW: A. Williams (Towns), E. Doncon (K), A. Marinich (Tam.), R. Bycroft (C), J. Horsley (Unions).



FLASHBACK . . . to the big night of 1972 when John K. Watts (centre) and Ross Elliott (right) presented Derek Chatfield with his fairest and best award.

Historic moment for medal

One of the biggest nights in the history of the Avon Football Association was back in 1972 when leading Perth radio personalities John K. Watts, Ross Elliott and Bob Cribb descended on the region.

It was the occasion of the first live radio broadcast of the counting of votes in the association's fairest and best award — the Stacey-Curlewis medal.

It was a big night in the Meckering Sporting Club as a jam-packed hall heard the vote count — and applauded Derek Chatfield on his success. Chatfield is still a leading identity in the country football. He

has coached Avon at the Wesfarmers country carnival in 1976 and 1977, earned selection in several country All Stars sides and been a prominent player for Tammin and Avon.

It is interesting to note that the night Derek Chatfield won that league fairest and best medal a player by the name of Peter Chidlow was judged fairest and best in the thirds competition.

Chidlow is now playing for Swan Districts. In that year he was playing with Federals — and also earned top votes in one senior game.

Avon has big cash awards

There are plenty of awards in the Avon Football Association — and Brookton seem to be dominating most of them this year.

Ward Prudential \$1000 for the premiership side is still a pretty open contest. Brookton hold top spot, but Beverley are running right into form and even Federals cannot be left out.

The Baxters Award for the fairest and best player in the A-grade competition looks like being a Brookton bonanza.

Graham Edwards, who has been in top form at centre-half-forward, has polled 13 votes, a margin of two ahead of his rover teammate, Kevin Fancote.

The \$300 award looks like finishing up a pretty close affair, but it should go to Brookton one way or the other.

The Bayer goalkicking award is also a tight contest — with Brookton again featuring prominently.

Herman Humphries has booted 73 goals, but his major full-forward rival — Greg Screaigh, of Federals — is breathing down his neck with 67 majors.

The only award not featuring a Brookton player is the Citizens Watch best defender. Ian Edwards, of Beverley, is out in front with 21 votes, three clear of Kellerberrin's Lindsay Ware.

The 6AM trophy for the A-reserve grade's fairest and best player is a two-way duel between G. Jasper (Cunderdin) and S. Podmore (Federals).

Best Wishes to the Avon Association from

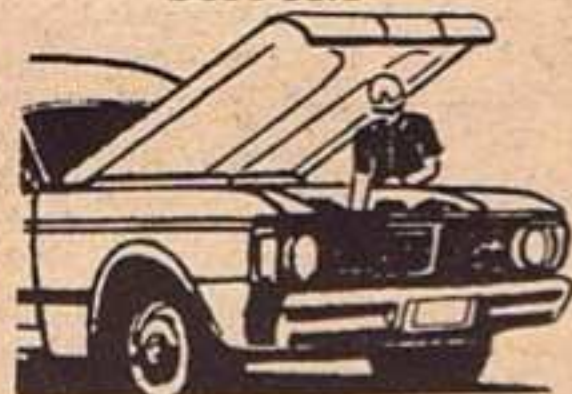
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Wesfarmers COUNTRY ROUNDUP

NEWMAN TAKE PILBARA TITLE

The Newman Football League won the fifth annual BP football championship by 29 points, 21.20 to 16.21, against title holders Fortescue League.

The game was of a high standard and a large crowd gathered to see two of the best sides ever fielded by Newman and Fortescue.

Newman qualified for the final by beating West Pilbara 25.26 to 11.13, and Fortescue by beating De Grey 19.17 to 14.13, in the qualifying games.

Fortescue were leading by 11 points at the first change with backmen Frank Pannuccio and John Larkins dominating.

Newman progressed to take full control in the second quarter. Smith and Rennie proved accurate in the forward line and kicked a creditable five goals each.

Fortescue's captain and centreman, Clem Thompson, attempts to keep his side in the game reaped results in the third quarter. The side began to function as a team and the ball was locked in their forward line for almost 20 minutes.

Newman seemed to be determined to make this championship theirs and in the final quarter wasted few opportunities to break their opponents backline and kick goals.

Fortescue were hindered by injuries and the gap without Larkins and Willis proved too hard to overcome.

Newman's Smith won the Marshall Medal for the fairest and best player in the championship. Fulton, also of Newman, won the Brian Sodeman trophy for the fairest and best in the final.

ROVERS UNBEATEN

After 13 qualifying matches in the Upper Great Southern National Football League, Rovers remain unbeaten. They are clear leaders on the premiership table with 52 points, ahead of Boddington on 36 points. Williams (third) and Pingelly are both on 32 points — separated only by percentages. Railways are fifth on 28 points, with West Arthur one game out of the give on 24 points.

SWANS MATCH

Swan Districts are still keen to play an exhibition match in Bunbury. This is despite the South West National Football League's refusal to allow such a game on July 5.

John Todd said last week that his club held no animosity toward the SWNFL and was still interested in a Bunbury match.

SWNFL secretary Ray Kelly said his league would look sympathetically at any further proposals from Swans. He said he hoped a match could be organised in Bunbury next year between Swans and East Perth . . . the two clubs which shared the SWNFL area in the zoning split up.

HUGE WIN

The highest score kicked in the three year history of the Wongan Hills Nippers Football Association was set when Goomalling kicked an amazing 25.25.

They beat opponents Calingiri by 153 points.

Calingiri have now lost their chances for qualifying in the finals.

Goomalling, inspired by this record breaking-win, will rival Wongan Hills and Southerners for this season's flag.

Despite being in third position on the WHNFA premiership table, Goomalling has the highest percentage.

LIFE MEMBER

Keith Campbell, of Esperance, became Port Football Club's sixth life member last week.

Both he and his wife Ruth, have devoted hours of their time to club committees and working enthusiastically behind the scenes since the mid-60's.

In 1976, Mr Campbell became club president and initiated plans for the recently-opened double storey clubrooms.

The building fund was started by the late Mr George Ramm and Mr Campbell energetically took up the challenge.

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.

FATHER MAC HONOURED

Father Michael MacMahon was recently made a life member of the West Kimberley Football Association. The first ever person to be awarded this honour, Fr. Mac said his greatest reward had been to see the rise in the standard of the game, within the Association.



Umpire Ron McBride supervises the toss between Avon captain Maurie Crameri (centre) and Mortlock's Dexter Davies before the annual inter-Association match at York.

YOUNG STARS

Young Geraldton footballers John Moore, 19, and John Valli, 18, will play for East Fremantle next season.

Valli will leave for Perth shortly and Moore is expected to join old Easts next year.

Old Easts quickly signed up Valli after he was invited to train with North Melbourne at the start of the year.

It is ironic that Moore is now being sought by East Fremantle even though they did not pick him to play in the zone of origin country side.

Moore, and coach Bevan Rose, met East Fremantle officials in Geraldton last week to discuss the 19-year-old's future.

The negotiations were held with East Fremantle vice president Tony Cicerello, general manager Bob Uittenbroek and zoning director, Mal Newington.

GREAT FOOTY

Warriors owe last week's win over East Carnarvon to a solid backline and the brilliance of rover, Michael Mitchell.

Easts had as much of the play as the Blue and Whites, but squandered chances in their forward line with inaccurate kicking.

Easts big ruckman, Revel Oakley, and brother Bruce, on a half-forward flank were dominant.

Goals were hard to come by as the backline of both teams were hard to penetrate. Despite the lack of goals the football was still of a high standard.

The aerial work of both teams was spectacular at times with good marks from Richard Oakley, Revel Oakley and K. Phillips.

This win firmly established Warriors as the leading side in the C.F.A.

Football replay coming up

One of the hottest talking points in Avon football recently has been the disputed match between top sides Brookton and Federals — and Saturday, August 9 is the Day of Decision.

The match was originally played on June 29 but the dispute arose when the two goal umpires' cards differed. One showed a Brookton win by a point — 8.8, 7.13. But the other showed a draw — 8.8, to 7.14.

With no independent scorecards to determine the result, the final decision was to replay the game.

Brookton, currently running on top of the table, know that they have to down Federals to prove their right to the premiership favourites title. But Federals will be equally determined to prove that they can match Brookton.

Both sides have agreed to play the two matches in a weekend as they have their normal games on Sunday, August 10.

The disputed match confirms claims by many people in Avon that there should be a timekeepers scorecard as well.

The controversy is over whether Federals kicked three or four points in the final term. No-one will ever know — so it is up to the two sides to solve the argument out on the field.

Avon show strength

Whoever beats Avon at the Wesfarmers country championship later this month should win the A grade title — that was the message spelt out when Avon destroyed Mortlock with a 17-goal second half in the annual inter-association match at York.

Mortlock shocked the opposition by having the first four goals on the board before the home side settled down.

At half-time Avon only led 12.10 to 10.6, but with Maurie Crameri playing a great captain's game in the centre.

Other top performances came from Dave Michael, Graham Edwards, Greg Screaigh and Tony Doney.

Mortlock's best player was spearhead Murray King. He didn't have many opportunities in the second half, but bagged seven goals, the highest of the game. Teammates Greg Underwood, Frank Scarfone, Errol Croft and Joe Collard played consistently.

AT LAST!

Congratulations to the Hyden A Grade football team who cruised to victory over Kulin 21.10 to 12.14.

It was their first win in 5½ seasons!

SOUTH'S STILL ON TOP

South Bunbury cemented themselves as SWNFL's top side when they easily beat Boyanup-Capel-Dardanup 12.12 to 5.4 last weekend.

Other results: Carey Park 25.14 b Bunbury 9.11, Donnybrook 19.10 b Mines Rovers 14.19, Augusta Margaret River 20.10 b Harvey Brunswick 9.15 and Busselton 18.17 b Collie 12.9.

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* * * * * LIONS * * * * * ALL-STARS * * * * *

Over the next seven weeks Westside Football will feature a post-World War "All Star" side for each of the clubs. The sides will represent smorgasbords of talent from all eras. Players from 1945 will be lining up alongside current day champions. In the first of the series Subiaco stalwart Westy Gilbert gave his thoughts on the Subiaco team. Next week we feature Perth.

EAKINS WINS A BERTH

The Subiaco All Star side is virtually a direct "lift" of the side selected by a panel of experts in 1977.

We've made only one change to the side that was honoured at Subiaco's Night of Champions.



Austin Robertson

Tassie Medallist Peter Eakins, the blond-bomber of the Lions' backline in the late sixties comes into our team in place of Dennis Blair at half-back.

We've placed Blair on the bench and omitted Ron Bayens from the 20.

Blair is the only present day Lions' player to get a spot in the Subiaco team.

The first ruck is led by Mike Fitzpatrick with support coming from the tough and talented, the late Dennis Barron and interstate representative Don Carter, one of the finest rovers of the 50's.

Peter Burton was chosen to change with Fitzpatrick, Jeff Smith with Carter and Colin Williams with Barron.

The selection of Williams as a ruck-rover type will surprise many supporters but it was forced because Brian Sarre was an obvious full-back. Williams, in fact, started his career as a ruckman.

Fiery red-headed Ross Gosdon was given the job on the rovers ahead of State player Fred Davenport, and former East Fremantle player Ron Jarvis, a tough customer.

The half-back line is one of the most talented in the side. Bill Alderman, the club's fairest and best winner in 1947-48, was selected as the centre-half-back.

The dashing Eakins was given one flank while the versatile Kevin Merifield, current Chairman of Directors was placed on the other.

Allan White, Mike Pethick and Dennis Blair were the other players to come under consideration for positions across the half-back-line.



Peter Eakins



Colin Williams

The late Cam Blakemore, who had a famous working relationship with Austin Robertson, was a natural choice of centre-man.

And it was difficult to go past the courageous Tom Robbins on one wing while the extremely talented Wally Martin was selected on the other.

All time great utility player Laurie Kettlewell had a mortgage on the centre-half-forward spot but picking players to flank him was not an easy task.

You could raffle the names Fred Williams, Reg Hampson, Peter Metropolis, George Young and then throw in the likes



Mike Fitzpatrick

of Peter Featherby and Ron Bayens and come up with two top flankers.

Hampson got the nod on one flank because he loved kicking goals while Fred Williams, who could play almost anywhere, was given the other flank.

Austin Robertson, the man who headed WA's goalkicking list eight times and boot-ed 1211 goals in his career, was really the only player for the full-forward role.

In a side like this, the positions of reserves go to utility players and we found it hard to separate the likes of Featherby, George Young, Pethick, White, Metropolis, Keith Dean, Stephen Heal, Blair, Terry Williams, Keith Watt, Ron Bayens and Davenport. Blair and Young were given the vote.

And finally, do you pick the man who took Subiaco to their first premiership in 49 years as coach or do you opt for somebody who coached for five years but managed only a runners-up tag.

Ross Smith, who led by personal example in 1973, was the man who steered Subi to a premiership, but we've gone for Charlie Tyson, the man who moved Subi up the ladder and changed their style and attitude in the late fifties.



Backs:	Colin Williams	Brian Sarre	Ross Gosdon
Half-backs:	Peter Eakins	Bill Alderman	Kevin Merifield
Centreline:	Tom Robbins	Cam Blakemore	Wally Martin
Half-forwards:	Reg Hampson	Laurie Kettlewell	Fred Williams
Forwards:	Jeff Smith	Austin Robertson	Peter Burton

Rucks: Mike Fitzpatrick, Dennis Barron, Don Carter; Reserves: George Young, Dennis Blair; Coach: Charlie Tyson.

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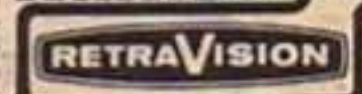
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WESTSIDE WINNERS



SUBIACO v WEST PERTH

FRED WOODS: *West Perth aren't going all that well . . . but then Subiaco are not really firing shots. The Cardies will prove that last week's form was too bad to be true.*



SOUTH FREMANTLE v PERTH

ALAN EAST: *The Bulldogs showed just how classy they can be last week when they downed Swans and wet weather or not, they'll do the same to the Demons.*



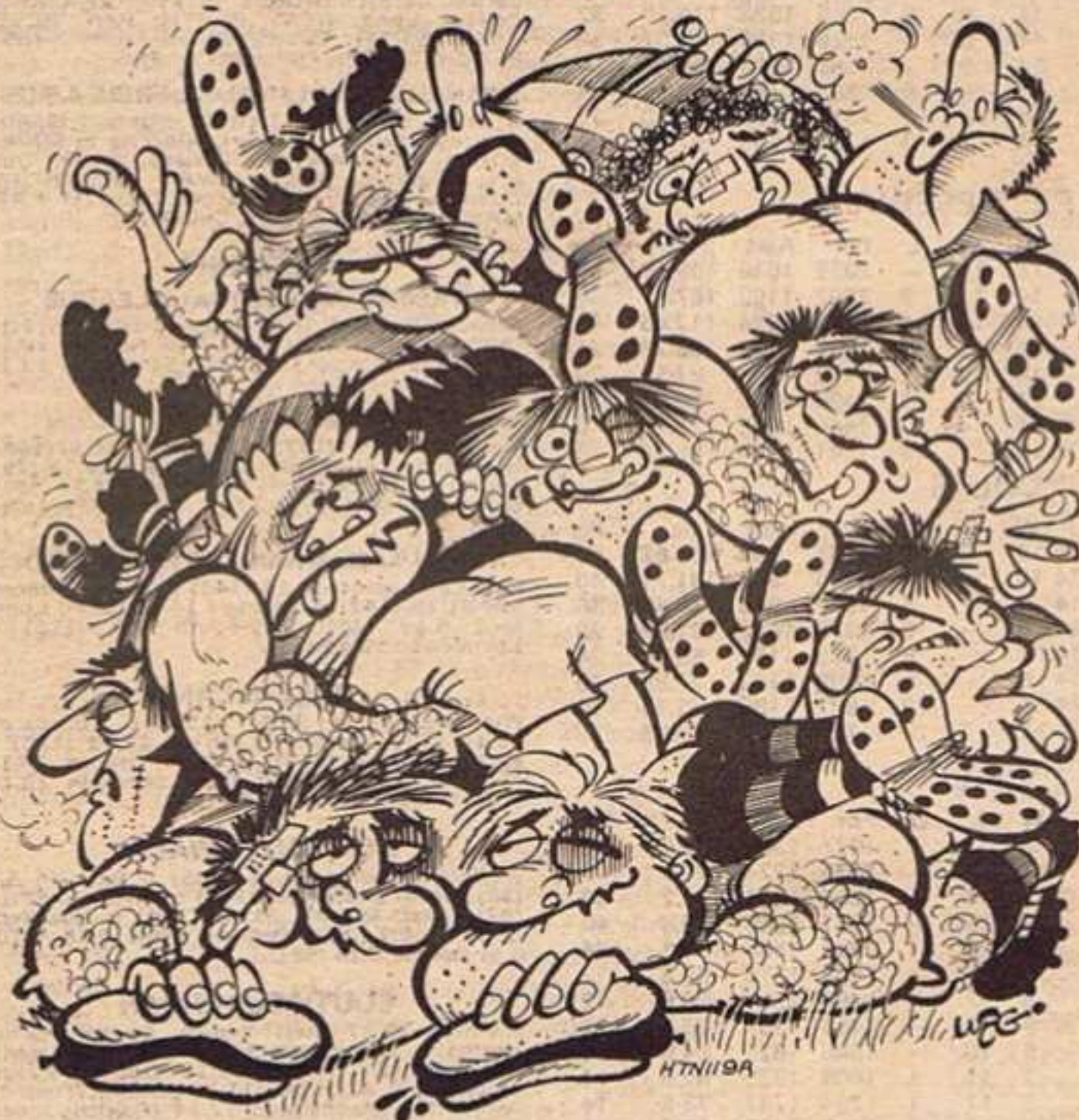
CLAREMONT v EAST PERTH

BOB CRABB: *Despite their win last week I still don't think East Perth are good enough to deserve a finals berth. Claremont will prove that this week.*



SWAN DISTRICTS v EAST FREMANTLE

MARTY McDONNELL: *Bad luck Old Easts. If a Fighting Swan can get angry, then they'll be angry this week. They'll probably beat you by about 20 goals.*



"DID YOU KNOW THAT THE HUTTON'S FOOTY FRANK YOU EAT AT THE GROUND IS THE SAME AS YOU HAVE AT HOME...?"



CHESTER'S LONG WAIT

Chester Mackean had a long wait before playing his 100th game last week. The Perth ruckman was forced to spend nine weeks in the reserves before getting the honour of leading the Demons onto the field and tossing the coin. Mackean is one of the most gifted athletes playing football, but his form this season has been a disappointment. We hope his 100th can spur him on to bigger and better things.

QUICK ACTION

Umpires Ross Capes and Phil O'Reilly needed the full protection of the law after last week's memorable clash between Swan Districts and South Fremantle. A can was tossed at the ump from the crowd and a couple of irate Swans supporters had some harsh words to say to the men in white. One of the supporters was led away by police and questioned but was allowed to leave the ground. Top marks to the mounted and ground police for their swift action.

TOUGH ROVER

Opposition rovers take note . . . Wayne Otway may well be the smallest rover in the game but he's certainly not the meekest. The nippy Royals' little man was a boxing ace as a youngster and most probably gives more than he takes during a match . . . ask David Palm. The tough West Perth half-back featured in a spectacular mid-air collision with Otway last week and guess who got up and walked away.

SPORTS GEAR PAIR

We often see leading footballers moving into the sportsgear world . . . and East Fremantle are well to the fore. Not only do we have current stars Jim Sewell and Brian Peake in squash centres, but two former Old Easts players are in the sports gear business together as well. Oscar Howard and Arthur Marshall — both now in the electronic media as football commentators — have joined forces in a football gear shop down in East Fremantle territory. The footy section is part of Arthur Marshall's Tennis World shop in Petra Street, Palmyra.

SHARING THE SPOILS

East Perth pair Wayne Duke and Wayne Otway have a lot in common apart from their identical christian names. The two players rely a lot on each other for their football efforts — Duke as the big ruckman who needs a rover around the packs to take advantage of his knocks and Otway, the busy little rover who needs a big ruckman to feed him. So when the two players bounced out in front in the Marlboro player-of-the-round award — worth \$1000 cash — they decided to pool their efforts and share the money if either one took off the award. As it was, Duke finished a point ahead of Otway — but that's enough for them to split the prize. Duke was certainly surprised at winning as he polled his 18 votes in the first two matches of the round — and didn't add to that tally.

RACING CONFLICT

Why can't our football and racing people get together, particularly down at Radio 6PR headquarters, and solve a couple of irritating problems. Almost every

PICKET SNIPPETS

Saturday 6PR find themselves with a race clashing with the opening of the league game — and also with the final siren. Radio 6PR, as the official TAB station, should be able to exert some influence on the race times and have them altered slightly to avoid those clashes.

HERE'S CHEERS

Footy fans can drink themselves under the table . . . and do it officially in the name of their favourite clubs now. A new range of Sandalford wines are on the market in footy club colours — and with specially-written labels under the name of each of our eight clubs. The Moselle wine is selling like hot cakes all around the countryside — and they are worth keeping as a souvenir item for the connoisseur.

HARSH WORDS

Acting East Perth coach Grant Dorrington was reasonably satisfied with the Royals victory over West Perth last week — and well he could be. Dorrington has been under plenty of pressure at East Perth, especially from some of the disgruntled members, and he told them in no uncertain terms after the match just what he thought of the backbiting that had been going on at the club. Dorrington accused some of the members of being disloyal and called for stronger support as the club makes a desperate lunge to win a place in the finals.

TURNER BURNS

Speedy youngster Dean Turner is one of the success stories at East Perth in recent weeks. Turner, who broke into league ranks three years ago, but has struggled to hold a permanent berth, was under pressure earlier in the year to retain a place at the club. But in the last few weeks he has adopted a much more determined attitude and his desperate style of football has earned him some high votes in best-player awards.

COME ON GRAHAM!

There's no doubt about that Graham Campbell, he's the most loyal coach you could ever find. Campbell saw West Perth go down in a heap against arch rivals East Perth, but he still had plenty of excuses. "Injuries left us totally under-manned and cost us the game," was his after-match comment. Come on Graham, the game's there to be won and everyone has injuries at different times. Swans had injury problems, but they didn't squeal when Souths ended their winning run.

THUMBS DOWN

Thumbs down to a small group of Swan Districts supporters who pelted the young South Fremantle cheer squad with pieces of fruit, empty cans and other bits of rubbish at Bassendean Oval last Saturday. It is only a handful of fans that gives a whole club a bad name. These offending supporters should take a good look at themselves, and think what it would be like if they were out there — as 10 or 11 year old girls — with a group of idiots hurling rubbish at them. Apart from the fact that it looks bad for the game, one of the girls only had to be struck on the head by a can to produce a nasty injury. And thumbs up to this enthusiastic bunch of girls for carrying on with their act regardless.

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