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VFL EXODUS

The player-exodus floodgates to Victoria are about to burst open — mainly as a result of the proposed drafting system.

The imminent signing this weekend of brilliant Perth centreman Alan Johnson — in one of the richest offers ever made to a WA player — looks like being the tip of the iceberg.

Something in excess of 20 WA footballers could move to Victoria next year as the form fours already signed come into effect and the drafting system starts operating.

Melbourne's late move to get Johnson's signature confirms that he is the No. 1 player target in WA — outside those already signed on form fours — and the VFL Demons, being last on the premiership ladder, will have first pick in the draft.

So the VFL talent scouts will be working hard on other non-form four players in the next few months to get their drafting choice settled. At the same time, those signed on form fours will also be under pressure to move.

Barassi won Johnson's heart when he telephoned him in Perth on Saturday morning — only hours before Perth's game against South Fremantle — and told him that he wanted him on the wing in the Melbourne line-up next season.

Johnson qualifies under the draft system — which allows him to swap for a transfer fee of \$40,000 — as he is now 24 and has played 130 league games; fulfilling the 100-games and 24-years-of-age requirement.

Richmond were hoping to get Johnson's signature — and get him to finish off the 1981 season in Melbourne.

But, Barassi told Johnson that Melbourne were going to buy 10 top players around Australia this year in a bid to get off the bottom of the VFL ladder.

The ace Melbourne coach is using the same formula that he took North Melbourne up the ladder with in the 1970s.

Barassi is looking for a wing partner for the brilliant Robert Flower and realises just how important this division is in today's style of football.

The fact that he is regarded as the No. 1 pick under the drafting system comes as no surprise. The other two players that are certain to get offers are East Perth rover Wayne Otway, whose contract expires in 1983, and West Perth



By
COLIN HOPKINS

captain Les Fong, who is also believed to be under contract till 1983.

VFL clubs are already sifting through lists of players that have not signed form fours and are eligible to move next year.

Two names that have come up are State back pocket Rod Barrett of South Fremantle (27) and 115 games at the start of 1981, and utility player John Dimmer (26) and 109 games at the start of this season.

Swan Districts utility player Craig Holden appeals as a recruit and he would be eligible to move to Melbourne in 1983.

It is believed that one of the last two outstanding form fours was used this week when Carlton signed Claremont's Warren Ralph.

The big trouble is that most of WA's top players are already committed to VFL clubs and the list is quite incredible.

Here's how most of them have signed:

SOUTH FREMANTLE: Maurice Rioli (Richmond), Joe McKay (North Melbourne), Stephen Michael (Geelong).

SWAN DISTRICTS: Mike Smith (Carlton), Gerard Neesham (South Melbourne), Mike Richardson (Collingwood), Simon Beasley (Footscray), Ian Williams (Footscray).

EAST PERTH: Chris Allen (St Kilda), Grant Campbell (North Melbourne), George Michalczyk (Footscray).

CLAREMONT: Jim and Phil Krakouer (North Melbourne), Bret Farmer (Geelong), Warren Ralph (Carlton).

WEST PERTH: Dan Foley, Chris Stasinowsky (Richmond), Bill Duckworth (Essendon).

PERTH: Alan Montgomery (Carlton), Rhett Baynes (Carlton).

EAST FREMANTLE: Jim Sewell (Carlton), Ken Judge (South Melbourne).

SUBIACO: Tim Gepp (St Kilda), Gary Buckenara (Hawthorn).

ON THEIR WAY?



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OVER THE FENCE

ROBERTSON ADVANCES

Gary Buckenara remains the best scorer so far in the finals of the Marlboro Handball Competition. He won his semi-final with a score of 49, four points higher than next best, Perth's Brian Cook. The two will meet this Sunday in the last preliminary final, with the winner advancing to meet East Perth's Glen Robertson in the grand final on July 12. Last Sunday, Robertson qualified by beating Swans' Ed Blackaby.

LAMB'S WOOL

Subiaco's Phil Lamb was the only Lions player in long sleeves last Saturday during the encounter in the wet against West Perth. Apparently Subiaco don't have a set of long sleeve guernseys and Lamb has purchased his own long sleeve guernsey to use when conditions get a little bleak.

MISS FOOTBALL

All WAFL clubs seem to be tackling the Miss Football Quest with plenty of endeavour and are appealing to girls to enter the competition. There are some great prizes to be won and girls over 17 and single who are interested in helping their team should contact their respective club offices.

IN-SONG

Mike Brady... the ballad singer of "Up There Cazaley" fame has released a new football album called "Hall of Fame". Songs about champions like Baldock, Murray, Whitten, Farmer, Skilton, Barassi, Greig, Nicholls, Hudson, Moore and Dyer are included on the album.

FOUR WINS FROM \$20,000

If South Fremantle can win Saturday's match-of-the-day at Bassendean, they will be only three victories away from winning the Marlboro \$20,000 for the first team to win 12 straight qualifying matches.

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INJURY RUN

East Perth's current crop of injuries must be frustrating for first-year coach Grant Dorrington. No coach enjoys riding above injury problems, least of all when you know that you only have a handful of experienced men to throw around - and it's those players now sidelined. With key players like John Hayes, Steve Curtis and George Michalczyk injured, Dorrington has lost the three men that he pinned so much faith on early in the year.

THE CHATFIELDS

Kim Chatfield who played his first league game last Saturday with East Fremantle is the son of South Fremantle league timekeeper Doug Chatfield. Kim played his junior football with Melville and is a protege of Wilson Onions.

MEDIA COVERAGE

WA's media impressed SA selector Bob McLean when he was here with the State team, on his return to Adelaide, he wrote in his weekly column in "Football Times":

"The press devote much more space than their Adelaide counterparts to football, and of course there are the television replays etc.

"Yes, the media certainly feeds football up to the public for breakfast, dinner and tea in Western Australia."



West Perth coach Graham Campbell is not noted for hiding his emotions and this picture typified his joy after his side's slender win over Subiaco last Saturday. Also happy with the situation is Ben Jager who was in the mood for a celebration after playing his 100th league match.



There's more hands than you'd find in an all night card game in this shot taken during the tough encounter at Leederville last Saturday. West Perth pair Russell Ellen and John Duckworth have front position on Subiaco's Vic Melville and Jeff Murray.

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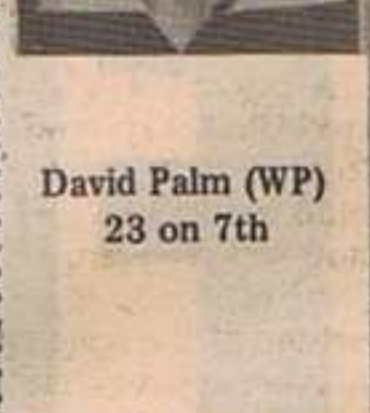
A lot of young football fans like to know when their idols are having a birthday... so Westside Football and Sunny Citrus brings you this weekly list.

These players celebrate birthdays this week and we wish them well.

Darryl Rowe (EF) 21 on 7th



Kim Trew (SD) 25 on 7th



David Palm (WP) 23 on 7th



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W. PERTH . . . 15	PERTH 2

FORM GUIDE and THIS WEEK'S GAMES

PERTH - L, L, L, L, L, L, W, L, L, L, L, L v East Fremantle at Lathlain
 SUBIACO - L, W, L, W, L, L, L, L, W, L, L, L v East Perth at Subiaco
 SWAN DISTRICTS - W, W, W, W, L, W, L, W, W, W, W, W v South Fremantle at Bassendean
 CLAREMONT - W, L, W, W, W, W, W, L, W, W, W, W v West Perth at Claremont
 SOUTH FREMANTLE - L, W, L, W, W, W, W, W, W, W, W, W v Swans at Bassendean
 WEST PERTH - L, W, L, L, L, W, L, W, L, W, L, W, W v Claremont at Claremont
 EAST FREMANTLE - W, L, W, L, W, L, L, L, L, L, L, L v East Fremantle at Lathlain
 EAST PERTH - W, L, W, L, W, L, W, L, W, L, W, L, L v Subiaco at Subiaco

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You win some, you lose some.

That could well be the motto of the club advocates who look after players interests at league tribunal hearings — defending a variety of circumstances.

A lot has been written and spoken about the tribunal and the penalties handed out. I believe that in ninety percent of the cases justice is done.

I spent four years covering tribunal hearings for the media and the last two as advocate for the Subiaco Club. There is little doubt that I do not agree with all the penalties. However, one cannot doubt the honesty and fairmindedness of those who sit in judgement.

They are all members of the judiciary in normal working life and the experience of the profession is passed on to benefit football in a like manner.

There is no doubt in my mind that we have the best and most efficient system in Australia when it comes to tribunal hearings. Few clubs would really like to see the system change, however there must be flexibility and every case must be judged on the evidence presented at the time. Fixed penalties are not the answer for any offence.

Guilty or not, reported players should still be subject to discipline by the club. It is good to see some clubs doing just that. South Fremantle are one of the clubs who take this line of action.

Subiaco, as recent as three weeks ago, suspended a colts player who was found not guilty by the tribunal. The club took such a dim view of the player's actions that he was stood down for a week and copped a hefty fine as well. Tribunals have their humorous moments as well as the serious side and two incidents that come to mind last season both had Bernie O'Sullivan as chairman.

Laurie Keene the tall Subiaco ruckman was subject to some heavy questioning from the umpires advocate over exact distances. The chairman coming to his rescue asked Keene if he was sure he knew how far a yard was. "I ought to sir," came his reply, "I am a surveyor."

On the other occasion I was defending a young Queensland Teal Cup player who was playing in the colts.

Stuart Dellar was up on a striking charge. Prior to the hearing and in preparation for his defence I asked him if he had ever been charged for hitting another player, he assured me this was the first time. Anyway towards the end of the hearing during the summing-up I told the chairman of his previous good record in football and his wish to make it in league football in Perth.

The records show that the player was acquitted. Feeling quite good about the deal we were walking down the stairs when Dellar said, "Gee, thanks Mr. Lohoar for getting me off, but what I forgot to tell you was that while I have never been charged with striking another player, I got six weeks in Queensland for striking an umpire."

Guest Columnist

Presented by McInerney Ford

THIS WEEK:

ROD LOHOAR

sports commentator



More thoughts on juniors report

Junior football or junior sport of any kind is always a contentious point, and more so this week with the advertisement placed in last Friday's "West Australian" by Terry Donnelly and John Grieve.

I am surprised that these two members have gone it alone without the backing of the Junior Development committee.

They appear to be asking why the League hasn't implemented the recommendations of a thirty page report in the 12 months it has been in the hands of the directors... hardly fair.

To find the answers Donnelly and Grieve required to those vital ten questions, all they should have to do is ask the director responsible from their league club, Claremont. I am sure most of them would be answered. Perhaps the lines of communication are not what they should be in this area, but surely this is the failing of those who require the information.

As for following the Victorians in junior football you must be crazy... the only good thing the Vics have got going for them is the government backed T.A.B. grant of nearly \$100,000 which is poured into junior football development. We would all go along with that I am sure.

Agreed, we must be positive in this area and although most league clubs have appointed junior development officers the league still have a responsibility to the clubs by appointing a replacement for Richard Walker. The activities of all the clubs must be co-ordinated at this level to make sure they are all headed in the one direction.

Richard Walker's efforts in this area were unsurpassed and they must not be left in limbo.

Any person interested in the development of junior football who has not read 'Policy and Recommendations of

Under Age Football in W.A., 1980' should do so. Walker has spent many hours putting this 31 page booklet together and it covers every aspect of the game at junior level. Ask your league club for a copy.

It was good to see Swans chairman John Cooper make the last of the presentations to the winners of the inter district competition last Sunday at Subiaco Oval. John is now chairman of the Junior Board of Management... wasn't it him who said a short time ago that no Swans director would ever waste his time on this junior body?

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Thriving on a new challenge



A lot has been written and said about Bill Valli, one of football's veterans who has proved that age is no barrier to success.

A colourful career that has now ranged over 12 years has seen Valli play with four senior clubs — his original team, West Perth; two VFL sides, Collingwood and Essendon and now with Subiaco; his new-lease-of-life-club.

Business and football have always gone together for Valli, a man who believes in making the best of his opportunities and drawing a strong line between his on-field success and his off-field progress. That is one of the reasons why this former Hale School product is always looking for new ambitions and challenges such as the football coaching academy that he is now involved in.

Football, as a sport, has had its disappointing moments for Valli, with injury and subsequent loss of form denting his reputation at times.

But he has always bounced back and few critics are prepared to challenge him on his ability to turn the tide in a league match with his aggressive ball-getting style. This week football writer PETER AUSTIN caught up with a busy Valli at Subiaco and talked about his football fortunes



Bill Valli . . . the businessman

A: I can see myself coaching. Myself and Gary Buckenara run a coaching academy school now which prepares young players for league football.

Q: Are you proud to be a part of Subiaco Football Club?

A: Yes. It is a great club who is determined to be successful. There are a lot of young players in the side and it gives me the chance to help them.

Q: You have always been a footballer who gets into the packs and gets the ball. Have you picked up this style of play from anyone?

A: I used to play British bulldog while at school and this I feel has helped me by getting in the packs and running fast with the ball.

Q: How do you prepare yourself for a game of football?

A: I think about it a lot. These days every game to me is precious and I need to do my very best. Consistency is most important these days and I want to play well every week.

Q: How does Ken Armstrong measure up with the coaches you have played under in the Eastern States?

A: I don't believe VFL football is any better than in WA. They have the pressure of big stadiums and crowds and there's more of a build-up, but apart from that we have footballers who are just as good as they are. Even though Hafey brought the axe down on my head while at Collingwood, I still admire the man to have the ability to make the players work hard. It is all hard work and you get results. I have a lot of time for Ken Armstrong and believe he will get the best out of the players. Getting the ball is what football is all about.

Q: Since you have been away, have you found any difference in the style of play in WA football?

A: Not really. I think the only fault with WA football is that we tend to play around with the ball a bit too much where Collingwood grab it and kick it long and straight down the ground.

Q: Subiaco have improved this season. Can you see any big changes in the future for the club?

A: I think the potential at Subiaco is enormous. The junior talent at the club is fantastic. The younger players have to get harder and tougher in their attitude but I think there is a big future in sight. We have to really switch on to professional football now. We have to work harder. Futures are nothing, it is the present situation where we have to produce right now. We have probably had more possessions in a game than any other side but we are not converting. We need to be more of a physical side and have more aggression.

Q: Can you see yourself retiring soon?

A: No way. I want to play for about another six years. I love the physical involvement. I don't want to just play. I want to play well.

Q: Where can you see Subiaco finishing this season?

A: I can see us in the final four. Other teams are frightened of us. We stir them up and they know it. If we make it, we will give them a big shake. You don't have to be a skilful side to be a top side.

Q: Has football interfered with your family life?

A: No. My wife accepts that football is part of my life. She was more than happy to go to Melbourne as we have been gaining and learning all the time. She is 100 percent behind me.

Q: Who taught you to play football?

A: I started playing for the Cardinals Junior Football Club before attending senior high school at Hale School. I played for Hale until I was 19 and then joined West Perth. I stayed with West Perth for 11 years and in that time I was a part of the team that won three premierships and had a terrific time. I had the opportunity to play for Collingwood two years ago and it turned into a nightmare.

Q: You were always one of the State's top players but once you played in the VFL you went bad. What happened?

A: I was riddled with injuries. I over trained when I first arrived there and it resulted in me getting a hernia which plagued me for most of the time I was there. It got to the stage when I couldn't walk. I ended up having an operation and could only play 11 full games and four from the reserves bench. The following year I received a groin injury and then Collingwood got rid of me. I then joined Essendon and could only play one full game.

Q: Were you on the border of giving away football?

A: Not really. I had six months off

and then began a long preparation of beach running and slowly built myself up to where I have played all the games this season with Subiaco. I have had a few minor injury problems but now I'm over them and give everything I've got towards the game.

Q: Has it all been worthwhile?

A: Yes. It is a great challenge which I enjoy. I love physical activity and exercise one or two hours a day. I'm very fortunate to be able to play football for the past fifteen years.

Q: Do you feel as you are getting older you are slowing down?

A: No. It gives me more of a challenge to compete and keep up with the younger players. I feel it's very important to stay mentally fit and enthusiastic.

Q: Do you have any regrets about leaving West Perth?

A: I don't have any regrets about anything I've done.

Q: Does it disappoint you that you didn't go very well in the VFL?

A: Yes. I look back and believe that I would have made it there but because of injuries I failed and that's a frustration.

Q: What is in store for you in the future?

adidas PLAYER PROFILE

Name: Bill Valli.
Born: 16.4.50 Subiaco.
Height: 5ft. 7½in. (171cm).
Weight: 11st. 9lb. (74kg).
Lives at: City Beach.
Married: Yes.
Wife's name: Samantha.
Children: Jeffrey William Valli.
Occupation: Estate Agent.
Football honours: Fairest and best West Perth three times, represented State six times. Won seconds medal VFL 1980.
Came from: West Perth.
Favourite food: Squid.
Favourite drink: Champagne.
Hobbies and relaxation: Real Estate activities, Swimming, Beach running and gardening.
Football likes: I like everything about football.
Football dislikes: Fickle supporters.
Idols in football: Mel Whinnen and Bill Dempsy.
Hard things in football: None.
Ambitions: Help Subiaco win a premiership.
Nickname: None.
Guernsey No: 1.
Games played: West Perth 149, Collingwood 16, Essendon 1, Subiaco 11.



Radio 6IX critic
Allan (Chubby) Stiles.

Chubby's Chatter

A lot has been said — and more will be said — about the Perth Football Club in coming weeks.

One person they should look very closely at next year to be involved as their chairman of selectors is none other than past player and coach Ernie Henfry.

I doubt if there is a person in this State who has as much knowledge of football as Henfry.

Some people will say he is "old hat" and is not up with the game today. But I can tell you now, Henfry is very capable in holding down this position and would be a steadying influence on a selection panel.

Another advantage for Ernie is the fact that he has just retired, allowing him to devote the time needed to carry out the job in an efficient manner.

CARDIE DEPTH

West Perth are certainly on a high at the moment and in the next two weeks we could see the return of Neil Fotheringham who has played in the reserves for the last three weeks. Also Dan Foley, who has been recovering from an injury. This will give West Perth a lot more depth in their side than they have been used to previously.

CARTER NOT PROMINENT

When one looks at the media voting on-field this past year, it is noticeable that Noel Carter is not really the fore in awards as he was last year.



Yet in 80 percent of the games he has played in he has nearly obtained as many possessions as he had last year.

Maybe we expect too much from Noel and this can happen when one sets a precedent for themselves, as he has done previously.

However, South Fremantle have so many brilliant players who have improved with age, that this could be another aspect.

FUSSELL FIRING

Ken Armstrong must be very impressed with the attitude and discipline of full-back Mitch Fussell.

He has allowed this player to settle down into this position and over the past month has played exceptionally well in keeping Simon Beasley down to two goals and Phil Bradmore, West Perth's full-forward, down to nil. In fact, Ken must be impressed with most of his back line, especially in the past two games, as they have done an outstanding job.



PREVIEW

With Colin Hopkins

Game of the year for Bassendean

Whichever way you look at it, this weekend's match between Swan Districts and South Fremantle promises to be the best so far this year.

Swans have forgotten when they last beat the Bulldogs, who are heading for a \$20,000 bonus from Marlboro.

They have won eight in a line and a win at Bassendean would fulfill three quarters of their contract.

For my mind, Swans have a more even spread of talent than South, who depend heavily on the big three — Stephen Michael, Noel Carter and Maurice Rioli.

South will also strike another stumbling block this week for the first time, centre-half-back Darryl Sutton.

It was significant that Sutton was best man on the ground on Saturday against East Fremantle, his best performance yet since a late start to the season.

Sutton gives the Swans defence a new look of solidarity while wingers Keith and Phil Narkle could also cause trouble in an area that is sometimes a tender spot for the Bulldogs.

Last week Sutton struck a raw performer in Glen Rogers and this weekend is



SUTTON



CAMPBELL

likely to come up against much more experienced opponents in Basil Campbell and Bruce Monteath.

This pair alternate quite a lot and the Swans defence will need to be on their guard because Brad Hardie (42 goals for third place on the goalkicking table) is always lurking in the background.

While South lacks the individuals skills of Swans and probably a yard in pace, their gritty approach to the game could see them remain in the race for the Marlboro \$20,000.

IMPORTANT CLASH

Neither Claremont nor West Perth can afford to go down in the match at Claremont Oval. Claremont won easily when this pair last met at Leederville Oval on May 9, doubling the score of the Cardinals.

It may be a lot harder today, despite the fact that the Tigers are on their home ground and have the Krakouers in brilliant form.

However, Claremont are a much-improved side this year and one of the main reasons is the lift Herman Van De Beek has given the ruck department.

He has been in the best three on the ground in the last two games and this has allowed captain-coach Graham Moss to station himself at centre-half-forward.

This has been a problem area for the Tigers and Moss's presence here gives a new sense of authority to their attack.

Selections:



Big John Duckworth is starting to gather touch while brother Bill was his side's best player last Saturday in the Cardinals' fighting win over Subiaco.

John will probably play on Moss and he has the bulk and experience and do the job well against the Claremont leader.

West Perth full-back Ray Holden is another improved player this season, but faces a difficult task in holding Warren Ralph down today.

Ralph is leading brilliantly and will become an even better player when he stops trying to get rides over the back of packs.

LIONS LAST CHANCE

It's Subiaco's last chance today to try and stage a late scramble into the final four. But, time is running out — and the Lions just don't have the forwards to carry out the job.

Subiaco's first priority now is the grooming — or recruiting — of a centre-half-forward and full forward.

Peter Munro just can't kick well enough; neither Ron Bayens nor Vic Melville really appeal here.

I think the answer at centre-half-forward could be Clint Brown, who is a fraction light for the role yet.

But Brown could finish up a centre-half-forward in the mould of Brian Adamson. He has a great pair of hands and one of the few Subiaco players that knows where the goals are.

Despite their problems, the Lions could almost sneak home here because East Perth will almost certainly field a very depleted side.

At the start of the year the signs were patently obvious — the success of the Royals would depend on their injury toll. That toll is rising and consequently they are showing signs of toppling.

ANYONE'S GAME

Both Perth and East Fremantle will continue to experiment with young players in the match at Lathlain Park.

Perth's last half fadeout and East Fremantle's second half recovery suggest that Old Easts might be good enough to win this match.

East Fremantle really lack a player to go with Perth centreman Alan Johnson for four quarters.

Both sides have a lot of trouble scoring goals; neither side has any running power on the ball and both are in the football doldrums. In this situation, it is anyone's game.

JOHN K. WATTS
6 PR Radio
personality and
football
commentator.



Hi there folks,

A word of condolence first for Subiaco. They sure were unlucky at Leederville last week. I thought number 17 for Subiaco was the best man on the ground. He was never off it.

CHRIS WANTS TO KEEP IT

West Perth did nothing to write home about either. Chris Stasinowsky reminds me of an accident looking for a place to happen. He put his head down and his backside up and then ran straight



into the nearest Subi player. Chris would make a great front row forward in a rugby team. The idea Chris, is to get rid of the ball not try and take it home with you.

RAINY DAY BOYS

It's going to be a great game at Bassendean this weekend. My money will be on Souths if it's wet. In fact if the rain keeps coming down Souths won't lose another game. To win by 20 goals last Saturday in those conditions was the best performance of the year.

NEWS FOR HARRY

Channel 7 have invited all of their old football staff to a farewell show for Sir James Cruthers next Sunday week. Even Bob Cribb (record holder for TVW 7 superannuation cheques) got an invite. Harry Kelly told us we can all sit in the audience and watch Dad's Army in action. Have we got news for Harry.

BED TIME STORIES

What price Brian Cook from Perth to win the Marlboro Handball Contest? Cook is the best ball handler in the game. He even takes a footy to bed with him. Kay Brown told me she sleeps with a bag of wind too.

NOTE FOR MOSSIE

Will somebody please tell Claremont that it's July and that April was two months ago.

P.S. Ken Hunter — Mossy sends his regards.

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INTERSTATE UPDATE

BRISBANE MATCH CREATES RECORD



Dr Allen Aylett

The VFL's trial game in Brisbane last Sunday was a huge success.

It was the first VFL match, for premiership points, to be played in that city for 29 years. Ironically the last was also won by Essendon.

The 20,351 people who turned out to watch Essendon beat Hawthorn by 18 points created a new attendance record for the Brisbane Cricket Ground. There were 311 more than the crowd which squeezed into the ground for a World Series Cricket match a couple of years ago.

Football officials in Queensland, were ecstatic about the crowd and its response to the play.

As VFL president, Dr Allen Aylett said: "It was much better than we ever expected. The crowd was much more knowledgeable about the game than the people who watched in Sydney."

"In fact, it was little different to a Melbourne crowd."

"The result of this promotion would certainly encourage the VFL to play fixtures outside of Melbourne and eventually establish a club in Brisbane."

Another pleasing aspect for the code's officials in Brisbane was that the game easily outdrew the Queensland-Wellington rugby match and the rugby league Woolies trophy final between Redcliffe and Wynnum-Manly.

Goggin wants a grand final re-match

"I would like to play them in the grand final". That was Geelong coach Billy Goggin's comment after his side's 18 point loss to Collingwood at V.F.L. Park last Saturday.

"I still think we can beat them. We lost it more than Collingwood won it", he said. "It was our errors at vital stages that caused our downfall."

The match was similar to last year's preliminary final when Collingwood defeated Geelong. In fact, it was Collingwood's third consecutive win over the Cats. The victory was a great tonic for the Magpies, as bad losses to both Essendon and Hawthorn at V.F.L. Park weren't happy memories.

The match was a hard slogging affair in heavy muddy conditions.

The V.F.L. didn't need to shut the gates — as expected — as the stormy weather contained the crowd to a comfortable 50,000.



NO DEFENCE

Paul Van der Haar is plagued by injury because he doesn't know how to defend himself, claims his coach Kevin Sheedy.

Van der Haar has played only 71 games in five years after suffering constantly with injuries. Sheedy said "He's 23 or 24 and doesn't know what self-protection is."

Norwood out of luck

Norwood lost their third close match for the season when they went down to Port Adelaide by one point last Saturday.

Port snatched the lead in the time-on period with nine behinds from Melbourne recruit Tony Martyn.

Norwood have lost to Central District by five points and Glenelg by one point in previous encounters this season.

Norwood coach, Neil Balme, naturally disappointed with the loss, admitted his side had a tough job ahead in trying to make the final five.

Norwood is seventh, 1½ wins out of the five.

"There are other sides like us winning one week and losing the next," Balme said.

The situation could have been worse for Norwood had North Adelaide, in eighth spot, not lost to West Torrens by one point.

WOODVILLE UPSET

Woodville had a shock 23 point win over Central District in last Sunday's match at Football Park.

The result was a tribute to Woodville coach Rod Olsson, who had six key players out. The side struggled against the wind in the last term.

Central, who would have moved into the top five with a win, led by two points at threequarter time and looked secure.

But Woodville restricted them to a mere four points while booting 4.5 themselves in the final term.

SA UMPIRE DEFENDED

South Australian ruckman Graham Cornes has defended SA umpire Peter Mead's performance in the recent interstate clash in Perth.

He said: "Mal Brown's outburst, attack-

Bosustow likes crowds

A V.F.L. newspaper critic claims that the huge Melbourne crowds are helping Peter Bosustow succeed beyond Carlton's wildest expectations.

He said "Pete's huge ego is ideally suited to football VFL-style."

"In Perth he was a spasmodic player, occasionally producing the masterly game. Usually his best came in the most important matches, in front of big crowds."

"But since his transfer to Melbourne the crowds are like a gold-mine for Peter. His best marks have been cheered wildly, his goals applauded."

"Life at the top is good and Peter knows it. Carlton's virtual ban on him talking to the press was aimed at him not getting a big head. They may be too late, but as long as he performs, the Blues can't be dissatisfied."

Meanwhile another Melbourne newspaper has tipped that Bosustow will quit V.F.L. football at the end of this season and return to his old club Perth. It claimed that he is getting married to a Perth girl late this year and she isn't keen about the prospect of moving to Melbourne.



ing Peter Mead's umpiring performance was unbelievable.

"Peter was by far the fairer and more consistent of the two umpires."

"Incidentally, the selection of the Western Australian umpire was considered a joke by the football public over there. He had only umpired four games this season, and even Ross Capes, WA's leading umpire, was heard to say that he was a 100-1 shot for the job."

TEN TEAM POLL

Football followers in South Australia want the ten teams competition retained, according to the results of a recent survey.

There has been constant discussion in Adelaide in recent years about reducing the number of teams in the S.A.N.F.L. competition.

Two teams, Woodville and Central District, were admitted to the league during the sixties.

Many people connected with the code now feel that there are too many clubs in the league and are pressing for a reduction. Some opponents of the present competition are suggesting that there should be as few as six teams in the S.A.N.F.L.

Marlboro GOALS!

\$1000 Golden Boot Leader:

Simon Beasley

Golden boot leader, Simon Beasley, had a quiet day last Saturday, opposed to East Fremantle's Shane Ellis. Beasley only managed 3.2 for the match. Two of his goals came in the second quarter from shots back into play after Brian Needle had kicked the ball out of bounds on the full.

OTWAY'S AWARD

The Town and Country Goal of the Day last Saturday was won by East Perth's Wayne Otway. The ever-elusive opportunist read the ball off a pack deep in the left-forward pocket and screwed a great shot off his left boot to bring up the Royals ninth goal early in the last term in their match against Claremont.

BROWN GEMS

Clint Brown scored three majors for the Lions in their match against West Perth and all were real gems. His first goal was a long direct shot which covered about 55 metres to split the centre for the first goal of the match. His second, and Subiaco's fourth, came in the opening minutes of the second quarter. He sprinted to create a lead in the forward pocket, and split an easy mark. However, he regained balance, took possession of the ball and ducked around a couple of opponents and a quick left foot snap split the centre. His third goal came from a free kick early in the third term. Rain was pelting down and he wouldn't have seen much air between the tall timbers when he shot from deep in the right pocket to bring up his club's eighth goal.

ADAMSON'S SNAP

Brian Adamson only scored two goals for the Cardinals last week after an eight-goal performance in his previous match. Both of his majors came up in the second quarter and one was a classic left foot snap from about 40 metres out. He had received a strong handpass from Phillip Bradmore as he sped past a pack. His kick went high into the air, but as Cardie hearts fluttered, it swung around to find the big opening.

"COUP" MAKES IT

Murray Couper can thank Ken Judge for his assistance in bringing up his 500th goal in league football. Couper needed two goals in the match against Swans... his 150th... to reach the 500 mark. His first was an easy shot from a few metres out in the third term. The goal which brought up the magic 500 should have been kicked by Judge who was running for an open goal but he hand-passed to the veteran forward to give him the opportunity of reaching his milestone. Couper received the pass, with his back to goal, and was forced to deviate sideways to avoid a tackle and had to snap over his right shoulder to reach that great 500 mark.

MARLBORO TOP TEN

Simon Beasley (Swans)	69.24
Warren Ralph (Claremont)	60.35
Brad Hardie (South Frem.)	42.29
Brett Farmer (Claremont)	38.14
Jim Sewell (East Frem.)	35.19
Mike Richardson (Swans)	33.13
Bruce Monteath (South Frem.)	30.25
Doug Simms (Perth)	29.18
Paul Arnold (East Perth)	29.16
Brian Adamson (West Perth)	29.11

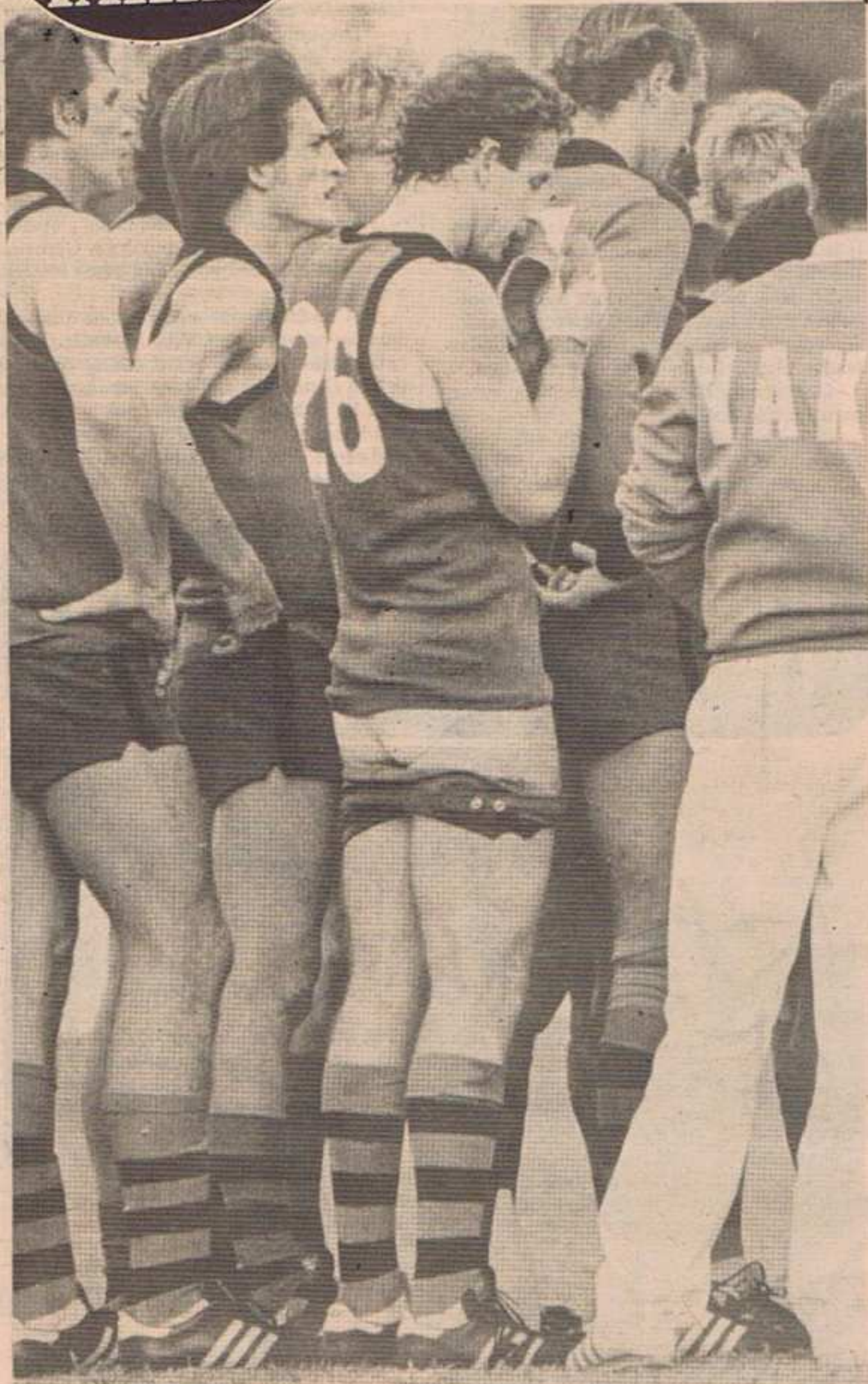
ANTI-SUNDAY CAMPAIGN

An influential Melbourne Catholic Priest has called on Victoria's football public to boycott Sunday matches.

Father Gerard Dowling claims Sunday football could lead to horse racing and even the opening of stores on Sundays.



Lost something Glenn?



This week's HARD YAKKA award goes to a player who really looks as if he can do with a new pair of strides.

East Perth's Glenn Robertson was certainly caught with his pants down in this picture. However, he and his teammates don't seem to be too concerned about the situation as they listen intently to coach Grant Dorrington at the quarter-time break at Perth Oval last Saturday.

We have rushed off a voucher so Glenn can collect his new pair of YAKKA trousers without too much delay.



Kevin Bryant... back in Royals colours?

BRYANT FOR ROYALS

Champion utility player Kevin Bryant could be back with East Perth next season.

Bryant's contract with North Melbourne expires at the end of this season and the Royals have already spoken to him about returning to WA in 1982.

"Kevin is not sure where he will play next year and won't make up his mind till the end of this season," said East Perth general manager Ron Webster.

"He has had a shocking run of injuries and first of all wants to prove again that he is good enough to play VFL football.

"However, he is keen to talk to us at the end of the year about coming home," said Webster. — COLIN HOPKINS.

6PM FOOTY QUIZ

The 6PM-Westside Football footy quiz will culminate on Monday when 6PM's Gary Shannon makes the draw for the major prize.

A lucky Westside reader or 6PM listener will win an Adidas sports outfit. Listen to Gary's drive time show between 5pm and 6pm Monday for the draw.

Last week's write-in winners: J. Casson, Padbury; A.G. Dower, Armadale; J.C. White, Mt Lawley; Shane Winfield, Lathlain; Mark Bottrell, Hamilton Hill.

Phone in winners: Jan Edwards, Palmyra; Steven Lee, Graylands; Carol Murray, Alfred Cove; Robert Tonlolu, Bayswater; Dominique Piccirilli, Leederville.

FROM A COACH'S POINT OF VIEW

Colin Hopkins talks to Perth coach ALAN JOYCE

Runners are important

You can't win matches without runners on the ball. That's what football 1981 is all about.

No-one realises this more than Perth coach Alan Joyce, who points out this is the Demons No. 1 problem in terms of playing strength.

"The game last Saturday was won in the third quarter," said Joyce, "and that's where South destroyed us."

"Our ruck-rovers and rovers picked up six kicks between them in that period.

"We have a Wayne Simms that can bring the ball to the ground, and an Alan Johnson that can get it away from the centre.

"But, when it really comes to destroying sides around the ground, the solution is the rovers and ruck-rovers.

"Until we can come up with the answers here, we will always be in trouble against sides such as Claremont, South Fremantle and Swan Districts."

Joyce believes that there is a solid core of players at Lathlain Park, but this needs to be strengthened by an ambitious recruiting campaign.

"I think we need to look at at least seven senior players but money is the big problem here.

"This is what it all comes back to in the long run and there are a number of important decisions that have to be made in this area," said Joyce.

THE HOOD



WA's most feared columnist fires some more of his barbed arrows.

My counterpart in Melbourne, who calls himself the "Shadow", and writes for the 'Sunday Observer', obviously has a pretty poor communication link with the West. In his offerings to his Victorian readers last Sunday, he commented on the progress of Darryl Sutton with Swans. He said: "Darryl Sutton is struggling for kicks. "WA league football is like playing in the bush for Darryl, but officials are expecting he'll lift when the attendances improve."

I wonder if the 'Shadow' is talking about the same Darryl Sutton that represented Western Australia in the State match against South Australia and the bloke that was Swans best player against East Fremantle last Saturday.

BEN'S BANNER

I wonder what Geoff Hendriks has got that Ben Jager hasn't. When Hendriks played his 100th game a couple of weeks ago, the Cardie camp provided a specially painted banner for him to break through as he led the side on to the ground against East Fremantle. It was a real top class effort, obviously put together by a professional.

Last Saturday, it was Ben's 100th and he burst through a banner of somewhat less quality. A couple of blokes stood there with half-a-dozen roles of crepe paper draped between two broom sticks. There was nothing to say what it was all about and unless supporters were aware that the Cardie vice-captain was reaching a milestone, the banner meant nothing.

S.A. SNUB

One of my spies from over the border (yes, I've got them everywhere) tells me that the S.A.N.F.L. party which came to Perth for the interstate match wasn't impressed by the fact that there was no W.A.F.L. representatives at Perth airport to either greet them or see them off.

NO BARK FROM BULLDOG SUPPORTERS

In this column last week I wrote about our fair-weather football followers in the hope I may arouse some feeling. Well I can now report that my effort was entirely wasted.

Last Saturday attendances were just as pathetic. What's happened to all the South Fremantle mob? I thought they were supposed to be a tough lot... the sort of crowd that would not let a few black clouds keep them locked-up at home.

They certainly didn't show much grit last weekend. Only 4,487 people watched the game at Fremantle Oval and at least a few of them must have been Perth supporters. I've seen more people at a training night at Fremantle than that. Maybe they're just sick of watching South win every week and it will take a loss or two to revive their interest. Ironically, the biggest crowd (7,930) last Saturday was at Leederville to watch two sides from outside the top four.

For obvious reasons, The Hood will remain anonymous. His comments do not necessarily reflect the opinions of Westside Football.





EILEEN BROWN, mother of football's Mr Controversy, Malcolm Brown, is Australia's first female football columnist.

MOTHER BROWN

It really amazes me the sudden accent that has been placed on junior football.

As far as I am concerned, there is too much emphasis placed on juniors playing today.

It seems to me that some people are determined to adopt a professional approach to a children's sport.

In the past we have always been able to produce champion players from junior ranks without all this huff and puff about coaching schemes, reports, etc.

This came from a system where kids kicked a football around at school, played once a week and watched seniors play at the weekend.

The accent was placed on enjoyment and teaching of skills — not winning at all costs and premiership points.

Because we never had intensified coaching schemes, none of these boys drifted off and played soccer and other sports.

Today we run a big danger of trying to push football down our children's throats too much.

It's no wonder that many of our youngsters are burnt out at 15 years of age and turn to games such as squash, golf and tennis.

There are many people who have worked for many years in junior councils who have given many voluntary hours of work to the game. There are many people who have given similar sort of service to league clubs.

But, sometimes I think parents only really become interested in this aspect of the game when their children are playing. Then, they want to change the world overnight.

Junior football is something that I think I am really qualified to talk about — as John Grieve would be able to back up.

LOT OF RUBBISH

I tell you what, Percy Johnson is hard to please.

It really amazed me to read what he had written about the State selectors.

The side won comfortably but he still criticised them and blamed a small crowd on the fact that there was not sufficient representation from the Perth sides.

As far as I was concerned this was a lot of rubbish.

BUDGIES BROWNLOW?

The best part of the Essendon-Hawthorn game came when the commentators summed up Tony Buhagiar's performances for Essendon this season.

Lou Richards suggested that he could win the Brownlow Medal. Quite a pat on the back for one of the game's players in the game.

RUDE REMARKS

Just because you don't like a person's viewpoint, there is no reason to be rude to him.

I thought the Richmond official that appeared on World of Football last Sunday didn't deserve the treatment he got, in particular from John Rogers.

He had been invited on the show, so surely a little bit more courtesy could have been given to him.

INJURY DIDN'T STOP GRIEVE

John Grieve had only a short career in league football — but he achieved something many footballers fail to experience; a premiership.

He injured his knee in an intra-club pre-season match and was told he would never play football again — he had shattered his cartilage.

However, he bucked the odds and played in the South Suburban league for Kelmscott in 1967.

After a couple of seasons with that club he moved on to Osborne Park in the West Australian Football Association.

The experts who said that he would never run out onto a football oval again would have been embarrassed when Grieve played 99 games straight in the W.A.F.A.

During his amateur career he was selected as vice captain and later as skipper of the combined W.A.F.A. side.

After his stint with Osborne Park, Grieve was once again on the move — this time to Inglewood Bayswater.

He stayed with that club for a couple of seasons before moving on yet again. This time he took up residence at Whitford and took over the coaching duties where he played until about three seasons ago.

But his retirement from competition hasn't spelt the end of his association with the game.

He now has a son playing football and he is pretty much involved with his career.

Important W.A.F.A. clashes Sunday

South Perth, running hot in the W.A.F.A., have the chance to consolidate their place in the four when they play Belmont on Sunday in one of the most vital rounds of fixtures this season.

The finals hopes of at least five of the nine first division teams — Melville, South Perth, Applecross, Mosman Park and Bayswater — could well depend on Sunday's results.

South Perth, who have won their last four games after losing their first five, are looking the biggest threat to the Big Two — Osborne Park and Wanneroo — at the half way mark of the season.

The way in which they demolished Applecross last week to surge into the four augers well for them in the second half of the season.

On Sunday they should kill Belmont's hopes of making the finals.

Applecross, who until they were beaten by South Perth last week, were in third spot, and meet Melville in a game that will almost certainly decide their 1981 fate.

The Hawks are now struggling in the second half of the competition and with the loss of key players look like finishing well down.

Mosman Park, another team that represents a threat to top sides, play leaders Osborne Park in a game that will have a big bearing on the final four.

W.A.F.A. fixtures for Sunday July 5: Cockburn v Wanneroo at Tempest Park; Melville v Applecross at Melville Reserve; Belmont v South Perth at Forster Park; Osborne Park v Mosman Park at Robinson Reserve; Southern Port — bye.

FOOTBALL FORUM

FEMALE FOOTY

In response to the letter (Westside, June 26) regarding womens football, I wholeheartedly agree with the idea of establishing a W.A. womens football league.

I know several interested female footballers and I can't see why we can't establish an eight club competition and play games every Saturday.

I feel there is a lot of females of all ages who would dearly love to play football. I'm sure many possess a great deal of the skills of our male counterparts.

I follow West Perth and go to their games every week. Jenny Bempascuito, Rudge Place, Lockridge.

"I used to coach junior sides but then I found myself involved in an administrative capacity. It meant that I had to give one of them away and as vice president of the club I gave up coaching," Grieve says.

Grieve, who won fairest and best awards with Osborne Park and Kelmscott, is putting a lot back into the game.

He got a lot out of football and believes it is important to put something back into the sport.

"It is a pity a few more league footballers don't have a greater interest in kids. It would do wonders for the juniors if league players were there to guide them."

Grieve also has some interesting views on league football these days.

"The biggest problem with the game today is that the skills have dropped too much. Nowadays there is too much handball and not enough football.

"Full backs have trouble making the square now but in my day if you couldn't kick to the centre you didn't play.

"The only other difference is that you have to be fitter to play league football now."

The former Tiger's full back would certainly have had a big job on his hands each Saturday when it is considered the class of the full forwards who were around during his short career.

Names like Bob Johnson, Austin Robertson, Ron Evans and John Gerovich continually kicked goals and made his task a difficult one.

But he did his job well and one can only wonder whether the West Australian football public was robbed of seeing the best of the Claremont full back because he was told he would never again pull on a football boot.

League fans saw his last match in 1968 — but he continued to play for another decade.

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TOP TEAMS MAKE HISTORY

At the half way mark of the 1981 season a unique situation has developed. For the first time in the history of WA football the three top teams have nine wins each from eleven games.

One of the top three teams is going to find that 15 wins will not be enough to make the second semi-final. This has only occurred twice before . . . to East Fremantle in 1957 and Perth in 1977.

With the closeness of the top three teams it looks like a photo finish for top spot.

One of the closest finishes occurred in 1960 when the top four teams all won 13 qualifying games. This was also the year of the 'draws' and they finished . . . West Perth 13 wins 3 draws, East Perth 13 wins 2 draws, South Fremantle 13 wins 2 draws, East Fremantle 13. The fifth side, Subiaco, won twelve games.

FREMANTLE GAMES

The 1981 fixtures produced an unusual draw regarding the Fremantle teams. Every week of past years there has always been one game at the Port with two or three exceptions, but this year on three Saturdays there is two games there and on four week-ends there is no game at Fremantle.

In 1922 the Fremantle Businessmens' Association became incensed when no finals were allocated to Fremantle Oval, they threatened to form a separate competition for the Fremantle teams.

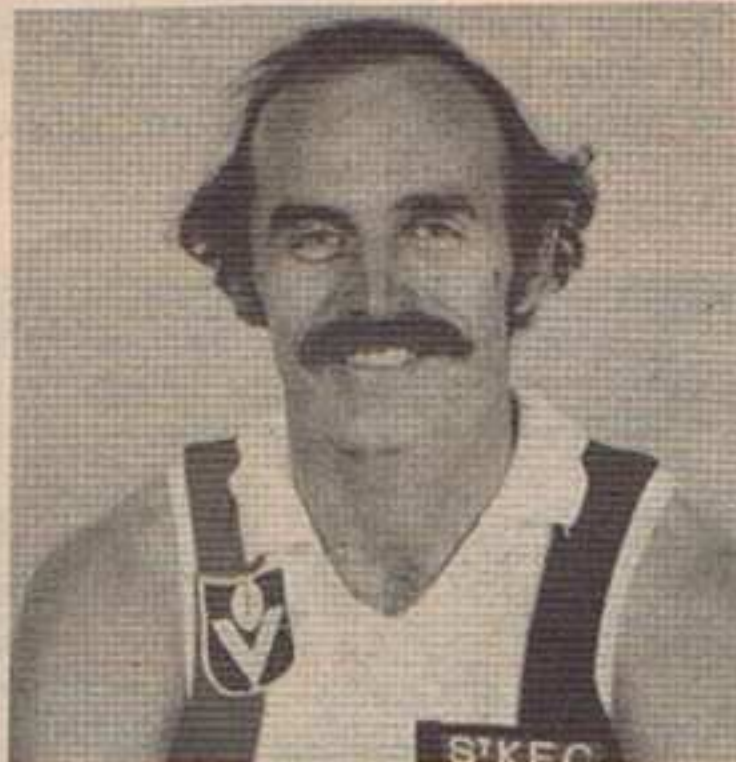
THE MANNING CROWD

Football supporters out Manning way must enjoy watching the VFL replays these days. Robert Wiley, Richmond; Peter



Mark McClure

Spencer, North Melbourne and Brian Peake, Geelong all played their junior football with the Manning Club. Another, Carlton's Mark McClure I'm told, also came from Manning.



Alex Jesaulenko

TURN-ABOUT

How the wheels of fortune turn, I thought, as I watched St Kilda and Melbourne battle it out for the wooden spoon last Sunday night. It was almost degrading for their coaches. St Kilda's Alex Jesaulenko was the premiership coach of Carlton in 1979 and Melbourne's coach enjoyed success at North in 1975 and 1977.

RABBITTING

The current umpiring controversy regarding the high tackle and player 'ducking' his head has brought out the old term 'rabbitting'. Players who duck to avoid a tackle or to make sure they are tackled high have been accused of 'rabbitting'.

However, I'm not sure that this is what the old term meant. In 1938 the coach of umpires Frank Collins used this definition.

"Rabbitting is stooping low enough to cause an opponent to fall over the play. This particularly applies when a player is running forward or backwards in an endeavour to mark the ball and an opponent stoops down in front or behind to cause the player to fall."

SOUTH RECORD

Last Saturday South Fremantle recorded their highest score against Perth, the 30.18 tally bettered their previous best of 26.13 - scored against the Demons at the W.A.C.A. in 1951.

Ironically Perth's best score against South is an identical 30.18 scored in 1977.

Souths margin of 125 points last week was only three less than their biggest win over Perth way back in 1952.

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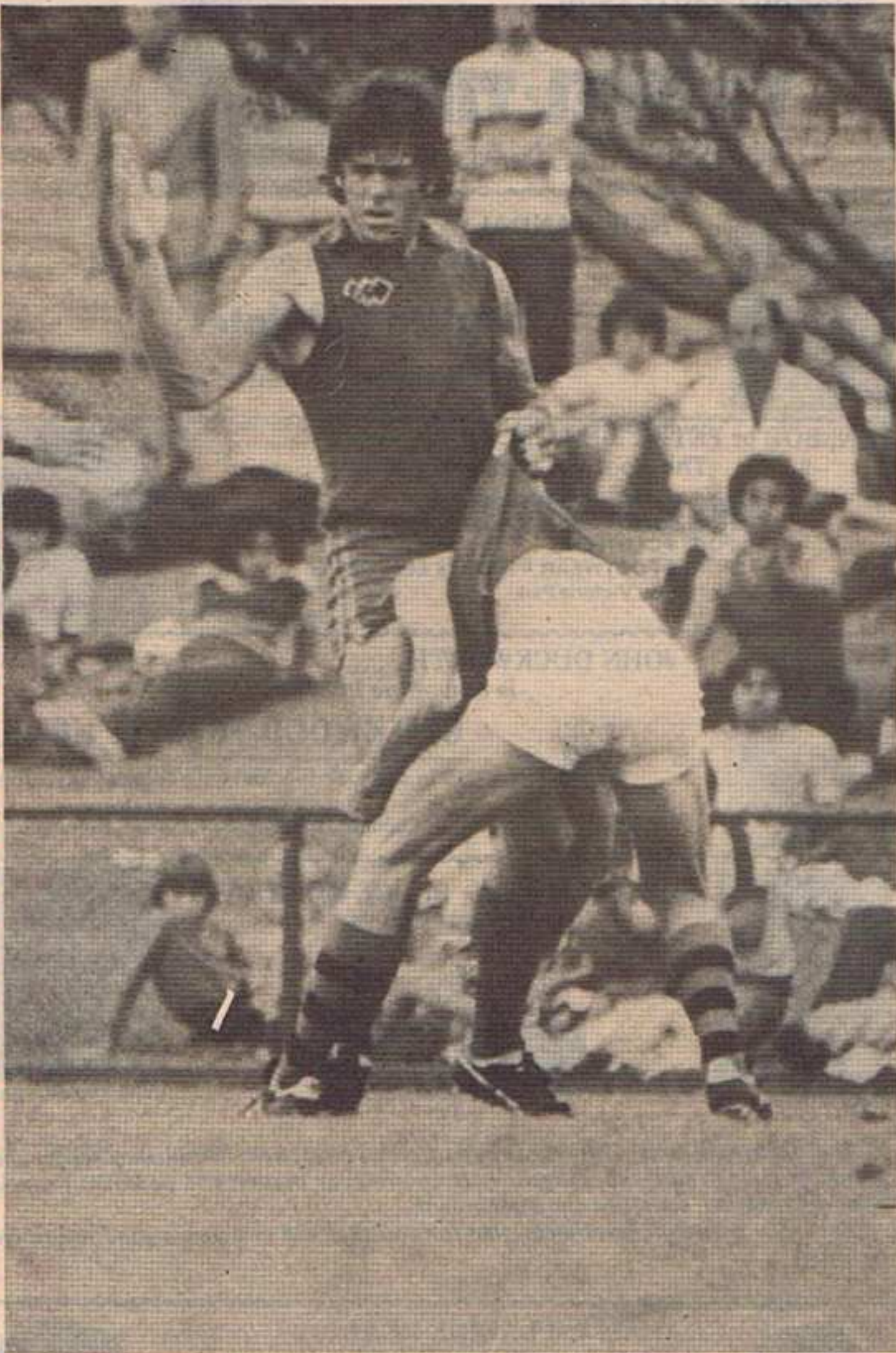
Football is a funny game . . .

It has its high moments and its low moments; its moments of drama and its moments of humour.

Football is a photographer's dream . . .

If he is in the right place at the right time he can capture a picture that tells a thousand words.

This year Westside Football has used two of the State's leading photographers in Richie Hann and Graham Bezant to cover football . . . and they have come up with plenty of photographs to fit into our "odd-ball" section . . .



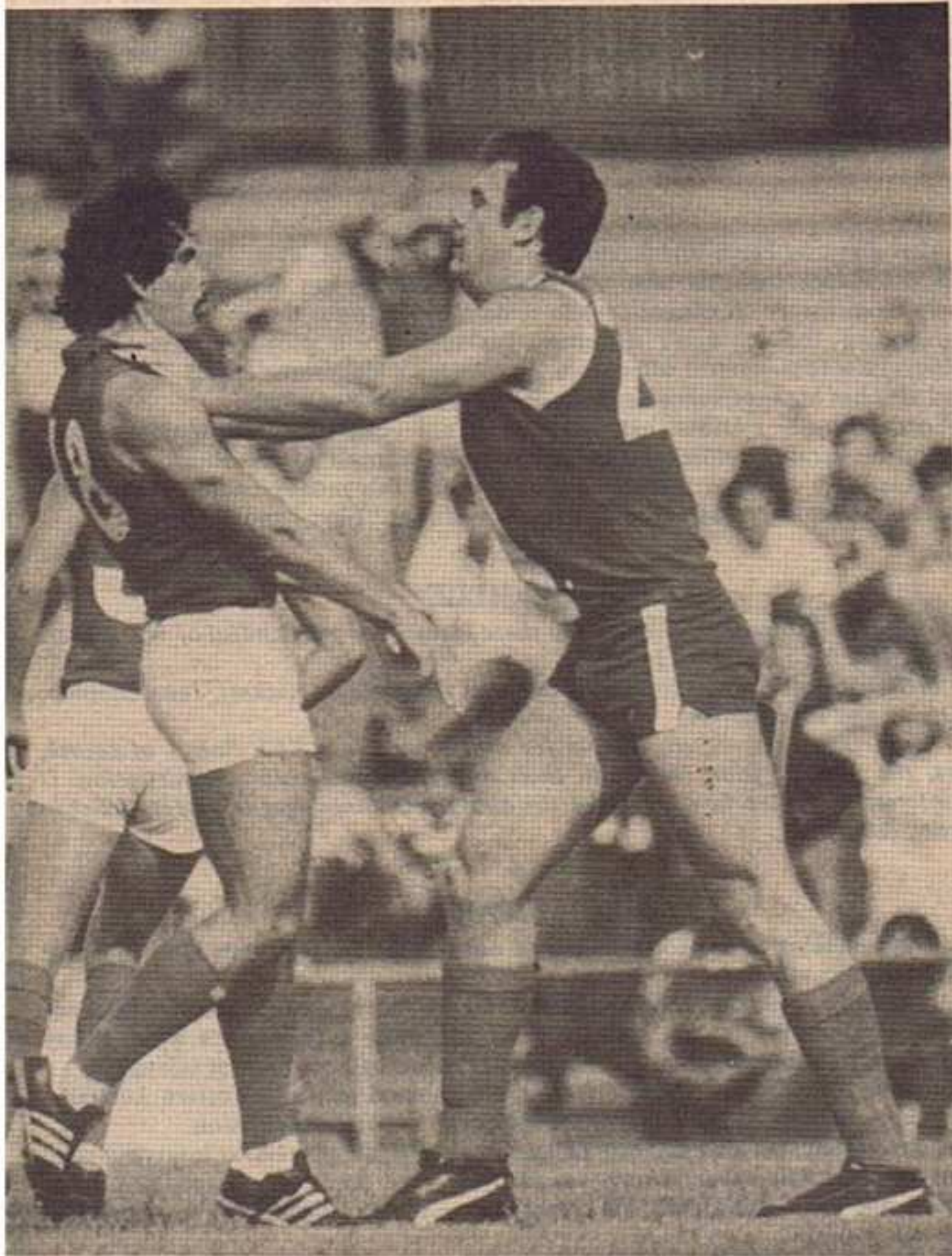
Above left: Big West Perth utility player John Duckworth has this poor unfortunate East Perth opponent at his mercy. Duckworth seems to be telling the umpire that he deserves a free kick.

Above: Can I have the next dance? That seems to be the question East Fremantle's Ken Judge could be asking his team-mate Jeff Trott.

Left: Come on mate, things aren't that bad . . . South Fremantle veteran Tony Morley has some consoling words for his skipper Noel Carter after the Bulldog's rover went to the ground heavily.

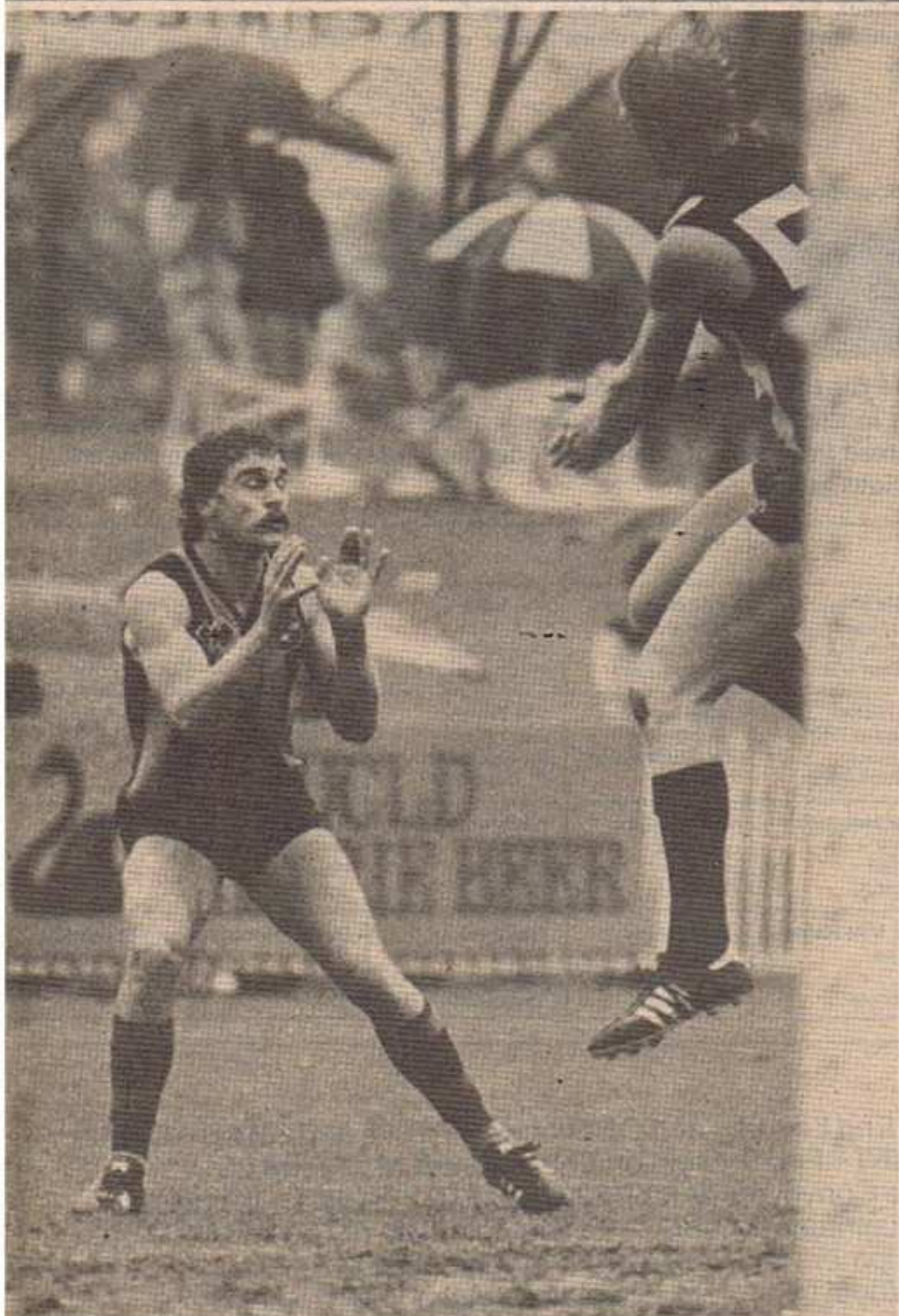
Right: Please sir, don't do it! Subiaco's Neil Taylor seems to be seeking some salvation as the marauding Swan Districts forwards launch another attack.

E AN ODD GAME!



Left: Now listen here, just let's get this straight. You weren't really upset at that little incident were you . . . so could be the words of East Fremantle ruckman Graeme Carter as he sorts things out with West Perth's David Palm.

Below: Now, where did it go. Subiaco's Neil Taylor (left) and his Swan Districts rival Leon Baker both had designs on the football but their back-to-back effort proved fruitless.



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BENNETT'S BURST

With leading newspaper football critic ROBERT BENNETT.



POOR TV COVER

If last Saturday's televised WAFL coverage to country regions is any indication of the service, then I pity the poor football supporters in the more remote parts of the State.

While on a short holiday I spent the weekend at Tinglewood Lodge, near Walpole on the south coast. You could not be any more far removed from the Perth football action.

The televised match between West Perth and Subiaco promised to be an absorbing clash, which, in fact, it turned out to be.

But as far as the viewers were concerned it might as well have been the only league match played in Perth that day.

I tuned in just after quarter time. From that period, until the end of the game, scores from other matches were given only once.

That was at half-time and was obviously read from the scoreboard at Leederville oval as the scores given were well behind.

The camera work also left much to be desired. Too often the camera lingered behind the play and by the time it caught up the action was over.

Perhaps I am being unfair in judging the ABC's coverage on only one viewing this season... but we are half-way through the season.

The irony of the situation was that it was necessary to turn off the television after the match and switch on the radio to the ABC to get the results of the other games.

Television has become probably the most important vehicle in promoting sport, and I say that as a newspaper critic.

In some respects WA lack the polish and professionalism of some of the other States in sports coverage. For instance, I believe we see too many talking heads on Channel 7's World of Football on Sunday.

My biggest beef, however, is the way the programme is organised. Surely some-

one can keep a clock on it. Too often the show gallops at the end, when some of the best segments are on.

From my experience as a football critic the thing most people are interested in after a game is who you selected as best players. Yet little time is given to best players on this programme.

I believe it should be a feature of the programme with action shots as best players are given.

The ABC's Winners is the complete football replay. Attention is focused on the action, with in-depth interviews with coaches or other personalities.

It's a pity we don't see a bit more of the action and less faces on some of our programmes.

The influence of television on football can be gauged from the response to the Essendon-Hawthorn match in Brisbane last Sunday.

It was no great surprise to read comments that the crowd was like those at VFL matches in Victoria. VFL games have been a regular part of the Queensland television diet.

It is the polished television coverage of the VFL in other States that is helping to spread its influence outside Victoria.

For that reason we should be endeavouring to make our coverages as good as possible. The kind of coverage given to regional viewers last week does not help our cause.

Instead of short-changing viewers, attempts should be made to provide something extra. That can only be achieved through imaginative programming.

Old formats become tired and boring. Why can't an interview be conducted during the half-time break of televised games, or someone in the studio give a summary of how the other games are progressing?

GARY'S GOSSIP



Welcome back to Western Australia, to that likeable and highly-competent football administrator, Subiaco's John Rose.

"J.R." (as I call him), is a big man, with a big heart in more ways than one and has spent the past week or so in Melbourne trying to recruit some V.F.L. talent for the Lions in 1982.

My information is that his mission has been successful — and you will see at least two Victorian league players lining up for Subiaco in 1982. However, he remains tight-lipped on his alleged discussions with Gary Sidebottom. Rest assured, I will pass on more information as it comes to hand.

SAGA CONTINUES

The Alan Johnson-Perth-Richmond saga is far from over, even though it is now common knowledge that the talented Demon centreman has decided (with a little bit of help from the Perth committee) to remain in WA until the end of this season. Early contenders for Johnson's signature, Richmond, will probably have to lower their colours now to a superior offer from Ron Barassi's Melbourne club.

Barassi also has his experienced eyes on Subiaco's Gary Buckenara.

P.S. Sorry Gary — I know that neither you nor your father know much about this, but do be careful before you further commit yourself to Hawthorn. Mr. Football's Demons have a lot of money to spend — and this money could be headed in your direction. Despite my advice, I do hope you stay at "Lion Land" in 1982.

FEW ELIGIBLE

Under the new 110-game clearance rule there is really only a handful of WA players currently eligible for a clearance to the VFL.

They include Steve Curtis, Tom Mullooly, Les Fong, Larry Kickett, John Dimmer, Wayne Otway and Rod Barrett.

When I say these players are eligible for a clearance to a VFL club — of course, as always, the final decision rests with their own individual club administration. It will be interesting to see how many of the above-mentioned league players front in Melbourne next season.

MEDIA STARS

It is always pleasing to me to see some of our leading football stars blossom as far as their media appearances are concerned.

It really doesn't seem that long ago that Jim and Phil Krakouer, Stephen Michael, Wayne Otway, Gary Buckenara, Maurice Rioli and quite a few others were, to say the least, shy or tight-lipped when it came to talking football on radio or television.

Now, thanks to constant exposure from the combined media in Western Australia, all of the above-mentioned footballers have improved beyond expectation.

I must be honest, (as always), one of the most difficult players to interview used to be Jim Krakouer. However, Jimmy has really worked hard and emerged as a major drawcard in our great game with his comments — which I believe are now both informative and amusing.

P.S. Thank you to all of you league stars for your support (appearance wise) on my "Countdown to the Bouncedown" show on 6IX — Saturday between noon and 2.00 p.m.

GARY CARVOLT

SANDOVER MEDAL GUIDE

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

JUNE 27	West Australian	Weekend News	Sunday Times	Sunday Independent	TVW 7	6PR	6IX	6PM	6WF	Umpires
E. Perth v Cl'mont	Doug Young: J. Krakouer (C) Moss (C) Van De Beek (C)	Robbie Burns: J. Krakouer Blackwell (C) Van De Beek	Ray Wilson: P. Krakouer (C) Van De Beek J. Krakouer	Ross Nicholas: P. Krakouer Daniels Reynolds (C)	Steve Marsh: A. Daniels (C) J. Krakouer Van De Beek	Laurie Kerr: P. Krakouer Kanther (C) Malaxos (C)	Phil Mulcahy: Van De Beek J. Krakouer Turner (EP)	Ian Miller: J. Krakouer, A. Daniels G. Campbell (EP)	Eric Sarich: J. Krakouer Otway (EP) Blackwell	Phillips/Ball
W. Perth v Subiaco	Geoff Christian: Buckenara (S) W. Duckworth (WP) Eilen (WP)	Rod White: Buckenara B. Taylor (S) J. Duckworth	Colin Hopkins: W. Duckworth Buckenara N. Taylor (S)	Bob Cribb: N. Taylor W. Duckworth Buckenara	Chris Mitsopoulos: N. Taylor W. Duckworth Reeves (S)	Bob Hicks: Menaglio (WP) N. Taylor W. Duckworth	Rowley Daw: Buckenara W. Duckworth W. Valli	Joe Fanchi: Buckenara W. Duckworth T. Gepp (S)	Ray Lawrence: W. Duckworth N. Taylor Hamilton (S)	Capes/Morris
S. Frem. v Perth	Ken Casellas: Monteath (SF) Carter (SF) Michael (SF)	Michael Thomson: Michael Cousins (P) Hardie (SF)	Geoff Worner: Michael Hardie Johnson (P)	John Appleby: Michael Hardie Monteath	Marty McDonnell: Michael Hardie Johnson	Oscar Howard: Hardie Michael Johnson	Allan Stiles: Michael Hardie Johnson	Les Mumme: Hardie Monteath Michael	Ray Sleeth: Michael Hardie Johnson	Powell/Gillies
E. Frem. v Swans	John Sheterline: Sutton (SD) Ellis (EF) P. Narkle (SD)	Peter Sweeney: Sutton Ellis K. Trew (SD)	Rod Lane: Sutton P. Narkle K. Narkle (SD)	Julian Stawell: Sutton P. Narkle J. Sims (EF)	John Rogers: Purser (EF) Ellis Fogarty (SD)	Peter Van Helden: Sutton Ellis P. Narkle	Neil Garland: Ellis Richardson (SD) Sutton	Ken Inman: Ellis P. Narkle Lester-Smith (EF)	David Dyson: Ellis Sutton P. Narkle	Rowe/Buckey

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ARE YOU YOUR SON'S FOOTIE FAN

Westside Football columnist Allan (Chubby) Stiles is a keen supporter of junior football and, in fact, coaches an under-age team at Willetton.

With considerable publicity recently about the development of junior football, Chubby has had plenty to say, both in Westside Football and on radio 6IX.

Recently the WAFL sent out brochures to a lot of junior clubs as a guide to parents and players. Called "Guidelines for Sidelines" the brochure has a lot of good information in it.

The following poem is something that could relate to any sport involving young people and Chubby suggests that it is appropriate for a lot of parents today:

*When your boy goes to football,
Do you go there too,
Or just wait at home
With other things to do?*

*Do you know what he means,
When he says "I played wing"
Or talks about a handball?
Or the club song they sing?*

*Are chores so important
They can't wait a day?
And can't you shop early,
Keep Saturday for play?*

*With Mum on the sidelines
The Goal Umpire his Dad,
His play takes on sparkle,
It's the best game he's had.*

*His boy days pass quickly
Too soon he'll be a man,
Then, oh! How you'll wish
You'd been HIS footie fan.*



Little League action from last week's West Perth-Subiaco game.

SUBIACO TAKE OVER TOP POSITION

Subiaco raced to the top of the R & I Little League table when they easily beat previous leaders West Perth on Saturday.

The young Lions piled on 4.2 and kept West Perth scoreless to record a resounding victory.

Best players for Subiaco were Gavin Oliphant, Dean Hill and Shean Keating while Dennis Ludwig, Dominic Tartaglia and Vaughan Harvey.

In an exciting match at Perth Oval, East Perth and Claremont drew, scoring 3.1 apiece.

Claremont were well served by A. McLennan, G. Warren and G. Rotham while best players for the Royals were A. Stubberfield, T. East and B. Cutts.

East Fremantle steamrolled Swan Districts in a game highlighted by the team work by the young Port side. They scored 6.2 while their opposition did not manage to register a score.

Stephen Librizzi, Bradley Stock and Ian Thomas put in top games for Old Easts, while Mark Jones, Darren Mills and David White played well for Swans.

In a close contest at Fremantle Oval, Perth scraped across the line to win by five points in a low scoring game, 2.1 to 1.2.

Best players for Perth were Paul Nagle, Brian Davis and Raymond Ugle while the top performers for the Bulldogs were Mark Hughes, Wayne Harrington and Mark Bennier.

R & I Little League

THIS WEEK'S TEAMS

The eight league clubs will be represented by these junior teams in this week's R & I Little League matches:
East Fremantle (Palmyra); East Perth (Dianella); Perth (Goomalling); South Fremantle (Cockburn Gold); Claremont (Mt Barker); Subiaco (Churchlands Wembley); Swan Districts (Guildford Grammar); West Perth (Northern Suburbs).

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

Subiaco	7	4	-	235	103	228	28
West Perth	7	4	-	222	115	193	28
Claremont	6	4	1	182	86	211	26
South Frem	6	5	-	152	160	95	24
East Frem	6	5	-	143	200	74	24
Perth	5	6	-	88	103	85	20
Swan Dist	4	7	-	92	241	38	16
East Perth	2	8	1	85	194	44	10

EAST PERTH IN THE SCHOOLS

East Perth's campaign to take junior football instruction into the schools has been well received by most schools in their metropolitan district.

Seven primary schools in the district have accepted invitations to have visits from East Perth league and reserves players.

They were — Dianella, West Morley, Morley, Camboon, Mt Lawley, Coolbinia and Maylands.

A team of East Perth players have been brought together for the instructional sessions involving more than 30 hours of tuition at the schools.

Players involved have included Terry Wasley, Grant Campbell, Glyn Williams, Greg Carpenter, Ross Tate, Brett Fullarton,



NISBETT CAMPBELL

Greg Gangell, Vic Peos, John Nolan and East Perth's football officer, Trevor Nisbett.

At each hour-long session the senior footballers put groups of boys through a basic range of fundamentals.

The coaching clinics have involved more than 1300 young boys and East Perth are convinced that the scheme should be continued.

CONTEST TIME

Another country reader has taken off the Chesson football in our junior quiz.

STEPHEN HARRIS from Busselton is a keen East Perth supporter and will shortly receive a beautiful new black and blue footy.

His entry was first out of the barrel for our quiz number 11.

You too can be a winner simply by answering this week's questions and sending your entry off to:

JUNIOR QUIZ
Westside Football,
Post Office Box 442,
Morley, 6062.

QUIZ NO. 13

QUESTION 1: What Swan Districts player celebrates his birthday on July 7?

ANSWER

QUESTION 2: Which teams played in the big VFL match in Brisbane last Sunday?

ANSWER

QUESTION 3: Which one of our back page tipsters was once a WAFL league umpire?

ANSWER

MY NAME IS:

I LIVE AT:

.....

MY AGE IS:

I BARRACK FOR:

MY PARENT'S SIGNATURE:

.....

The Answers to Quiz Number 12 were: 1—Guildford Grammar, 2—One, 3—Wayne Simms.

East Fremantle Campaign

East Fremantle's full-time football and development officer, Jeff Cassidy, recently organised a coaching campaign that involved more than 3000 youngsters in the district.

The entire playing staff at East Fremantle — league, reserves and colts — visited the 16 clubs in the metropolitan junior council district over two nights.

Special sessions from 4.30 p.m. to 7 p.m. saw the footballers help take training and talk to the juniors.

Demon cup

The two top teams in the Demon Cup competition met at Lathlain Park last Sunday.

Before the game Bears and Hornets were separated only by percentage.

Hornets won 15.10 to Bears 11.9. Goalscorers for Hornets: Paul Camarri 6, Mark Hughes 4. Bears: Ian Jones 4, John Bryant 3.

Best — Hornets: Frank Young, John Pearsall, Greg Campbell. Bears: Philip Dowson, Trevor Richie, Jeff Van De Moosdyk.

Cobras 9.13 b Rams 8.16. Goals — Cobras: Chris Blottin 5, Maurice Shiosaki 3. Rams: Alan Leicester 3.

BAD WEEKEND FOR WEMBLEY

The Wembley Club certainly fell on tough times last weekend when all six of their teams suffered defeats.

It is a rare occurrence for the club to do so badly and is worsened by the fact that the loss by their senior A league team has cost them a place in the top four. It was a position they may find very difficult to regain.

Nollamara entered the four for the first time this season and they will be hard to dislodge.

Trinity/Aquinas created new interest in the competition with a good win over former finals prospect Maylands. The Trinity "Boomers", despite their low placing, have worked hard for results. Last week former Perth and State player and Westside Football columnist Allan "Chubby" Stiles supervised training and injected new enthusiasm in the club.

COLTS

A LEAGUE - An Old Wesley defeat of Wembley could seal the four as fifth team Old Scotch are already one game behind and meet leaders, University.

B LEAGUE - W.A.I.T. and Morley clash in what should be a torrid affair. The winners remaining in touch with fourth team Scarborough and the losers playing out time. Floreat-Marist have a chance to open their account against Bayswater.

C COLTS - Top teams Dianella and Coolbinia should provide fireworks in their clash.

SUNDAY DIVISION

Graylands took top spot from A.I.C.A. with ace forward Terry Woodward kicking nine goals in a close game. East Fremantle came back with a vengeance with a 282 point win against Carlton. All that can be said about Carlton is that they are accurate in front of goals... booting seven straight in their last two games.

Premiership Tables

A LEAGUE - University 36; Old Scotch 32; Old Wesley 28; Nollamara 28; Wembley 24; Collegians 16; Maylands 16; Mt Lawley 12; Trinity/Aquinas 8; Carlisle 0.
B LEAGUE - North Beach 36; Scarborough 34; University 24; C.B.C. 24; Morley 22; North Fremantle 20; Bayswater 20; Floreat/Marist 12; Wembley 8; W.A.I.T. 0.
C LEAGUE - T.C. Claremont 32; Whitfords 32; City Beach 28; M.H.W.P. 28; Mt Lawley 24; Swanbourne 20; Wembley 20; Hamersley 8; Perth 8; Churchlands 0.
D DIVISION - Innaloo 36; Commonwealth Bank 32; Osborne Park 26; Nollamara 24; T.C. Mt Lawley 18; Teachers 16; Ashfield 16; Bayswater 12; Carlisle 12; C.B.C. 8.
E DIVISION - North Beach 32; Brentwood 28; University 24; Maylands 20; Old Wesley 20; R & I 20; North Fremantle 16; Collegians 16; Coolbellup 16; Floreat/Marist 8.
F DIVISION - Dianella 36; National Bank 36; Forrestfield 28; St Norberts 20; Muresk 20; Melville 16; Greenwood 16; Trinity/Aquinas 12; Innaloo 8; W.A.I.T. 4.
G DIVISION - Koondoola 40; Scarborough 32; Lynwood 28; University 28; John 23rd 20; Morley 16; Whitfords 12; Mt Lawley 12; Wembley 12; Swanbourne 0.
H DIVISION - North Beach 36; M.H.W.P. 36; Coolbinia 32; Old Scotch 24; Forrestfield 20; Edgewater 20; Nollamara 16; Collegians 8; Old Wesley 8; Morley 0.
 Compiled by R. Lysle. All tables subject to official confirmation.

LEADING GOALKICKERS

A LEAGUE - R. Forbes (Nollamara) 32. B - G. Fathers (Morley) 55. C - M. Doig (Wembley) 49. D - B. Choules (Bayswater) 29. E - G. Blight (R & I) 37. F - J. Walker (Dianella) 29. G - H. Piotrowski (Koondoola) 40. H - P. King (Nth. Beach) 30. I - I. Thomson (Applecreek) 35. J - L. Kelly (Robbs Jetty) 66. K - G. Jacques, G. Cole (Maylands) 20. **SUNDAY DIVISION** - T. Woodward (Graylands) 43. **A COLTS** - K. Brent-White (Collegians) 23. **B COLTS** - P. Gonnella (W.A.I.T.) 40. **C COLTS** - M. Little (M.H.W.P.) 21.
 Compiled by N. Taylor as at 20/6/81 after nine games and subject to official confirmation.

LAST WEEKS RESULTS

'A' LEAGUE

Mt Lawley 12.17 d Wembley 8.13; University 17.10 d Collegians 9.13; Old Scotch 18.14 d Carlisle 16.10; Nollamara 12.17 d Old Wesley 10.8; Trinity/Aquinas 11.15 d Maylands 8.9.

RESULTS OF INTEREST IN OTHER DIVISIONS

B LEAGUE - Bayswater (7th) 15.15 d Morley (4th) 15.9; Floreat/Marist (9th) 20.17 d North Fremantle (5th) 12.15. **D DIVISION** - Carlisle (9th) 11.7 d Bayswater (7th) 5.9; Mt Lawley (5th) 12.8 drew Osborne Park (3rd) 11.14. **E DIVISION** - Old Wesley (7th) 14.8 d Collegians (5th) 12.10; Brentwood (3rd) 13.10 d University (2nd) 4.15. **I DIVISION** - Bullcreek (2nd) 10.12 d Applecreek (top) 9.7. **J DIVISION** - City Beach (5th) 10.11 d Mt Lawley (3rd) 6.12; Swanview (4th) 8.17 d Hellenic (2nd) 4.5. **C COLTS** - Ashfield (10th) 8.11 d Takari (2nd) 7.6. **SUNDAY DIVISION** - Graylands (3rd) 15.13 d A.I.C.A. (top) 11.13; East Fremantle 45.30 d Carlton 3.0.

MILESTONES

Merv Doig, currently C League leading goalkicker reached his 200 amateur games last weekend.

Merv commenced with Wembley Club in 1968 (from Claremont) playing that year in the club's A league premiership team as well as heading that division's goalkickers.

Over the years he has played in four premiership teams, topping toalkicking lists in B and D divisions several times and serving on his club's committee.



DOIG



MEYER

Trinity/Aquinas Geoff Meyer has built up an impressive record in amateurs in reaching his 200th game last Saturday. Presently E division captain-coach, he also held those positions in 1972-73 and 78 in the senior teams.

He was a member of 1976 C division premiership team and the 1975 and 1977 runner-up sides. Geoff was W.A.A.F.L. fairest and best winner (E) in 1971, club fairest and best winner in 1971, 1972 (D) 1975 (C) and 1980 (Trinity's 2nd team F). He has served as committee man and a vice-president and was made a Life Member in 1976.

Mt Lawley player Ralph Needham Celebrated his 200th amateur game on May 30.

Currently captain-coach of the "Lawley Hawks", 'C'-grade team, he is in his 11th season with the club, joining them from East Perth reserves. Ralph is a top competitor and was captain of the 1977 'C'-grade and a member of the 1979 'A' league premiership teams.

He has served on the club's committee for seven years, including three as secretary and two as president, and was awarded Life Membership in 1979.

Club History

Morley has made great progress

The Morley Amateur Football Club has made great progress since their formation in 1969 as the Bunnings Football Club in the now defunct Sunday Football Association.

They joined the Amateurs in 1973 as a member of the Sunday division calling themselves the Herdsman Football Club.

In 1974 following their move to a ground in the Morley area they changed their name again to the present Morley Amateur Football Club and a year later were fielding an additional team in the 'G' Division.

In 1977, on the suggestion of the late secretary of W.A.A.F.L. Mr H. B. Grosvenor M.B.E., they switched to the Saturdays competition, and added a colts team, members of which now form the nucleus of their senior team.

Their current treasurer Ken McCarthy, one of the founders of the club. After a coaching stint, he was president for more than ten years. The club, which now plays in 'B' league has never won a premiership,



P. Richardson



C. Richardson

they lost the 1976 Sunday Division Grand Final to Swan Valley by a few points.

The coach of the victorious Swan Valley team, Phil Hayes, is Morleys present coach. The Club's current President is Peter Richardson (who recently played his 150 game) and his wife Christine is club secretary.

Race for top four hots up

Two games this weekend will be of great importance in the fight for final four placings in A league.

Wembley (fifth) have a chance to regain fourth spot from the indifferent Old Wesley. A loss for Wembley would leave them floundering two games out of the four and with only eight games remaining, their task in reaching the four would be difficult.

Old Wesley have not been combining well and they will be hard pressed to win.

Old Scotch could go to the top of the Amateur ranks if they can outrun University over four quarters of football. Uni have been notorious for playing in bursts and this could be fatal against the younger enthusiastic Old Scotch.

Mt Lawley will be able to restore some respectability to their games tally with a win over Carlisle, while Nollamara should continue their winning run over Maylands, who surprisingly could not match a revamped Trinity last week.

Trinity/Aquinas flushed with their last-up effort may give Collegians a good push and cause another upset. Collegians were not impressive against Uni and with some big names like Alan Rose, Eddie Bauskis, Geoff Curran in their line-up, have not measured up to their true ability.

B LEAGUE

C.B.C., back in the four after dropping some close games, face up to Morley (fifth) at Cook Reserve. A win for C.B.C. could see them create a two-game gap between themselves and Morley. North Fremantle, with four successive losses have their last chance to gain a finals berth by defeating league leaders North Beach at Charles Riley Oval. Bayswater, (in a similar situation to North Fremantle), have to defeat University at McGillivray No. 2.

C LEAGUE

Whitfords (second) meet M.H.W.P. (fourth) at Beatty Park with second place at stake. Wembley and Mt Lawley clash at Inglewood Oval, both have to win to get back into the four.

E LEAGUE

Nine teams still have a chance to reach the final four. Coolbellup (ninth) are only one game out, and even last placed Floreat/Marist could pick up the three games they are behind. Old Wesley could displace Maylands with a win.

THIS SATURDAY

Carlisle v Mt Lawley at Carlisle Reserve, Old Wesley v Wembley at Perth Oval, Maylands v Nollamara at Leeder-ville Oval, Trinity-Aquinas v Collegians at East Fremantle Oval, University v Old Scotch at McGillivray Oval No.1.

D LEAGUE

T.C. Mt Lawley must defeat Bayswater at Hillcrest Oval to keep their chances alive. A win for Innaloo would make Nollamara's hold on fourth spot very shaky.

F DIVISION

Dianella continue to head the table for the first time in that club's history. St Norberts have the hard task of defeating National Bank to retain fourth spot, as Muresk on equal points should easily defeat Greenwood.

G DIVISION

John 23rd (fifth) must defeat Uni (fourth) to remain in the race for finals honours.

H DIVISION

Fifth and sixth placed Forrestfield and Edgewater play at Hartfield Reserve. The winners could go to fourth as Old Scotch (fourth) face a tough assignment in defeating leaders, North Beach, at College Park. Second placed M.H.W.P., coached by club stalwart Russell Canestrini for the first time, play Morley who have yet to win.

I DIVISION

A win by Floreat-Marist against Osborne Park could earn them fourth spot. Osborne Park are the only team that can drop out of the final four composition.

J DIVISION

North Beach (sixth) must defeat Hellenic (fourth) to let City Beach (fifth) in, and also keep their finals hopes alive. They are the only team from that club's five sides that are not in the four.

K DIVISION

Koondoola, with four successive losses, must win against undefeated Maylands to create interest in the division. Dianella (fifth) could be in the four after defeating Coolbellup (eighth).

Wesfarmers COUNTRY ROUNDUP

RISE IN TRANSFER FEES SOUGHT

The majority of delegates from affiliated leagues and associations throughout the State consider that a substantial rise in city zoning transfer fees is warranted.

This was the topic of one of the major discussions at a meeting of country leagues held at WA Football League headquarters last week.

Delegates agreed that a rise in transfer fees was important, particularly when a player proves himself in league football in Perth.

At present, WAFL clubs pay their respective zone league club \$500 as soon as the player is transferred.

If the player continues to compete for his new club the following year, they must pay a further \$500 plus \$20 per game after he has played his 20th match.

Small country clubs are also concerned that stronger clubs are taking their best players by enticing them with big match payments.

The president of country football in WA, Mr Bud Byfield said the meeting was successful but several matters would be brought forward at another meeting to be held shortly.

FIXTURE CHANGE

Fixtures for the 1981 Wesfarmers Country Championships have been changed.

The format was altered after the WAFL asked the country league not to conduct any games on Subiaco Oval during the elimination rounds.

Only the finals between A, B and C-grades will be played at Subiaco.

Other games scheduled to be played on the ground have now been moved to Perth Oval.

The two changes involve B-grade teams Lake Grace-Kulin and Central Midlands who will now meet at Perth Oval and C-grade teams Murray Districts and North Midlands who will also play at Perth.

Fourteen teams will be taking part in the Wesfarmers Championships starting on July 30.

GIBSON CLEAR LEADERS

Gibson are clear leaders on the Esperance Football Association premiership table after nine matches. Ports are in second spot, followed by Newtown and Esperance.

HARVEY BRUNSWICK SEEK SPONSOR

A \$20,000 sponsor is being sought by the Harvey-Brunswick Football Club.

It is believed the club is currently negotiating with an Australian wide company.

The club is already in the process of upgrading its oval.

Over \$5,000 will be spent on new fencing and various other facilities for the players and public.

Businessman Colin Green of E.G. Green and Sons and club committeeman Mr Jack Ragg are involved with both new projects.

INTERLEAGUE MATCH AT SOUTHERN CROSS

The Goldfields National Football League meets Eastern Districts in an interleague match at Southern Cross this Sunday.

The G.N.F.L. are keen to make amends for their recent defeat at the hands of the W.A.F.A. and have selected a strong squad for the match.

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NEW LOOK FOR BOYUP

Boyup Brook Football Club is attempting to instill a professional attitude into club management, according to club president Lincoln Hands.

Mr. Hands said the club started the season with a completely new committee and with emphasis being placed on management "get up and go" in an effort to build a viable and competitive club.

Perhaps the most noticeable feature of Boyup Brook's line-up this season is the metropolitan recruits that club has secured.

Mr. Hands says this was part of the policy of the club to teach local players how to win football matches, a skill which has been lacking in the club.

Major sponsors have been found in Websters, Woolcombers and Armstrong-Jones as well as a number of smaller sponsors.

This has brought business management into the club, a move which appears to be playing handsome dividends.

Mr. Hands said the club was in a very financial position and fund raising activities this year have included share cropping, a car raffle, and clover harvesting contracting.

Coupled with the improved membership and gate takings, the club expects to turnover \$20,000 this season, compared with \$14,000 last year.

The club has two talent scouts in Perth who are still approaching players to play with Boyup Brook this season.



MINES ON TOP

Mines-Rovers cruised to the top of the South West National Football League ladder last Sunday when they crushed South Bunbury.

Mines had players winning in most positions on the ground and finally run out winning 22.12 to South Bunbury's 10.20.

Former East Perth player Ian McCulloch, is proving a force among the packs and around the ground is showing too much physical strength for his opponents.

Carey Park, who are now second on the table on percentage were beaten for only the second time this season by Harvey-Brunswick.

Big improvers Bunbury defeated Collie. Boyanup-Capel-Dardanup who appear certain to take off the wooden spoon this season were easily beaten by Donnybrook.

Busselton couldn't give any answer for Augusta-Margaret River and were beaten convincingly.

The premiership table now sees Mines Rovers on top with 36 points, Carey Park 36, South Bunbury 32, Harvey-Brunswick 24, Bunbury 24, Augusta-Margaret River 22, Donnybrook 18, Collie 16, Busselton 8, Boyanup-Capel-Dardanup 4.

NEW KAT

Former State full-forward Mark Olsen is now playing for the Karratha Kats.

His inclusion will bolster the Kats' line-up in a bid to win the De Grey and West Pilbara Football League premiership.

Olsen was the WAFL leading goal-kicker in 1979 when playing for Swan Districts.

After having a dispute with coach John Todd, Olsen was cleared to East Fremantle but injuries restricted his opportunities. The lanky forward is now working in Karratha for MMA.

The signing is another coup for the Kats, who are steeped with talent and already have a reliable spearhead in Ian Keeley who has kicked more than 40 goals this season.



SWNFL concerned with umpires

The South West National Football League is worried about WAFL umpires failing to report players during games.

Their concern grew after a mammoth brawl during the last quarter of the match between Harvey-Brunswick and Carey Park last Sunday.

A player was heavily felled during the incident and it resulted in players, officials, and spectators fighting on the oval.

No reports followed and the league is concerned that further dangerous situations could arise if something is not done.

BP CARNIVAL THIS WEEKEND

The BP Pilbara National Football championships which will be held in Port Hedland this weekend, promises to be the most interesting since the inception of the series in 1976.

Up until now, the championships have been dominated by the inland leagues with Fortescue and Newman sharing the title.

The De Grey and West Pilbara leagues have become anxious to win the championships for the first time.

So why should this year be any different? Because of the influx of people working on the North West Shelf Natural Gas project.

The West Pilbara looks certain to field one of its best ever teams this weekend. In fact it is the league that is gaining most from the big gas project.

Two teams, based in Karratha, are currently dominating the combined De Grey and West Pilbara league, Kats and Cardinals.

The De Grey league should also field a more formidable team this year because the championship is in Port Hedland.

League president Colin Matheson has found it frustrating in the past because De Grey players have shown little interest in travelling to other centres.

The Fortescue and Newman competitions have always taken the championships seriously and present a very disciplined and talented team each year.

The De Grey has yet to play off in a final so it will have a big incentive for this year's championships, particularly at home.

As part of its promotion it has arranged to take Swan Districts star Graham Melrose to Port Hedland for the championships.

He will be involved in trophy presentations for the championships but will also take part in a coaching clinic for junior players.

According to Mr. Matheson the standard of football in the Pilbara is improving all the time.

"We seem to be getting a very high quality of player in the region now," he said. "Once a star player could dominate competitions up here, but that is hardly happening any more," he said.

COME BACK GREG

The Karratha Football Club, one of the strongest teams in the De Grey and West Pilbara Football League, held a special function for Greg Skinner.

Greg, a former player who has taken an active administration role with the Kats over the past three years, has been transferred to Perth.

The club showed their appreciation and presented Greg with a return air ticket to Karratha to watch the side later this year.

SOUTH WEST PREPARE

A squad of 32 players has been selected to represent the South West National Football League in the 1981 Wesfarmers Country Championship to be held in Perth on July 30.

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THE CHAMPIONS



A GOLDMINE OF FOOTBALL TALENT

East Fremantle, with a history of tradition, has produced a host of superstars in the last 30 years.

Who do you think was the best of this selection?

The skills of Brian Peake are still fresh in the minds of all football followers... but he does not stand alone near the top of the East Fremantle talent tree.

Old Easts have won more premierships (25 in all) than any other club and have probably produced more State players than their rival clubs.

Peake who has now departed to Geelong after 182 senior games with East Fremantle, a Sandover Medal, a Tassie Medal and five straight wins in the Lynn Medal, the club's fairest and best award has laid strong claims to being Australia's top footballer in his era.

But what about Jack Sheedy, that strong and creative rover? Or Jack Clarke, a ruckman with superb talents? Or Ray Sorrell a centremen of class?

The East Fremantle question is a real poser.

Our 30-year period opens with Jim Conway taking out the club's fairest and best. He was one of the most astute footballers ever to don a boot, winning the Sandover Medal in that same year and capping a playing career that saw him be part of the undefeated 1946 side.



JACK CLARKE

Conway later went to Claremont, where he proved his worth as a coach and on sheer football talent, he must come strongly into consideration.

Jack Clarke, the farmer from Jenacubbine, arrived on the league football scene in 1952 — and went on to become a legend. His league debut was at centre-half-forward where he thrashed Fred Buttsworth, the Sandover Medal winner of the previous year. But Clarke went on to be a ruckman of the highest order, earning All-Australian selection four times — the only player in the country to achieve that honour.

He is, without doubt, East Fremantle's best-ever ruckman, with 206 league games and a host of honours, including three club fairest and best awards.

But what about Ray Sorrell, a centremen who first stamped his mark of class on football in 1957 season and went on to confirm that high rating with a Sandover Medal in 1963. He later switched to South Fremantle as coach.

David Hollins was something of a surprise runaway winner of the 1971 Sandover Medal; but he, too, was a centremen of enormous skill.

He came up to the city from South Bunbury with a big reputation — and lived up to it.

For sheer perseverance and effectiveness, another of East Fremantle's Sandover Medal winners must come into the list — Graham Melrose, now playing with Swan Districts.

Melrose not only proved himself at East Fremantle, leading the side to a premiership and grabbing the 1974 Medal in a popular vote, but he has also conquered the Victorian Football arena.

And then we look at Doug Green — an interstate footballer of the highest order. A team leader, a tremendous character and a man who certainly deserved the high accolades he received. Green won the club's fairest and best award in 1973, in the midst of many talented players, and was a half-back of superb style.

East Fremantle has not had many brilliant goalkickers in its history, but surely one recent addition to the WAFL goal-



RAY SORRELL

kicking table deserves a mention — Kevin Taylor.

Though the recruit from Moora is now playing in the VFL, his short stay at Old Easts was impressive. He wrote his name in the record books by becoming the first rover to kick more than 100 goals in a WAFL season, tallying up 102, including 16 in the finals of 1979.

Then we have a bundle of tough, hard-working East Fremantle stalwarts — Norm Rogers, Con Regan, Alan Preen, Harry Neesham, Bert Thornley and Tony Casserly.

And to finish off the list of candidates, what about our current GPR and Westside Football columnist, Ray (Oscar) Howard. He wasn't a bad rover, was he?

Go to it... East Fremantle probably line-up the best talent of all time and picking the top three this week will be a stiff challenge.

DEMON STARS

LAST week we introduced our new series, *The Champions*, where you had to nominate the top three players, in order, from Perth over the last 30 years.

The answer was fairly straightforward... Barry Cable got the nod from our judging panel. The champion rover, who has played over 400 senior games, finished just clear of herculean ruckman Merv McIntosh, with the sheer all-round skills of Pat Astone taking third place.

That might have been a fairly simple task... but it's a different story with OLD EASTS this week.

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CLAREMONT v WEST PERTH

BOB CRIBB: *West Perth's win over Subiaco last week was the biggest fluke I have ever seen. They have absolutely no hope of beating Claremont and are a long way from being a final-four proposition.*

PERTH v EAST FREMANTLE

ALAN EAST: *After both these sides managed just one half of football each last week, it will be interesting to see who can add to the effort. Maybe Perth, at home, can find just that little bit extra in the other half.*



SWAN DISTRICTS v SOUTH FREMANTLE

FRED WOODS: *I haven't been over-impressed with Swans in the last few weeks and even though this game is at Bassendean, I reckon South will kill 'em.*



SUBIACO v EAST PERTH

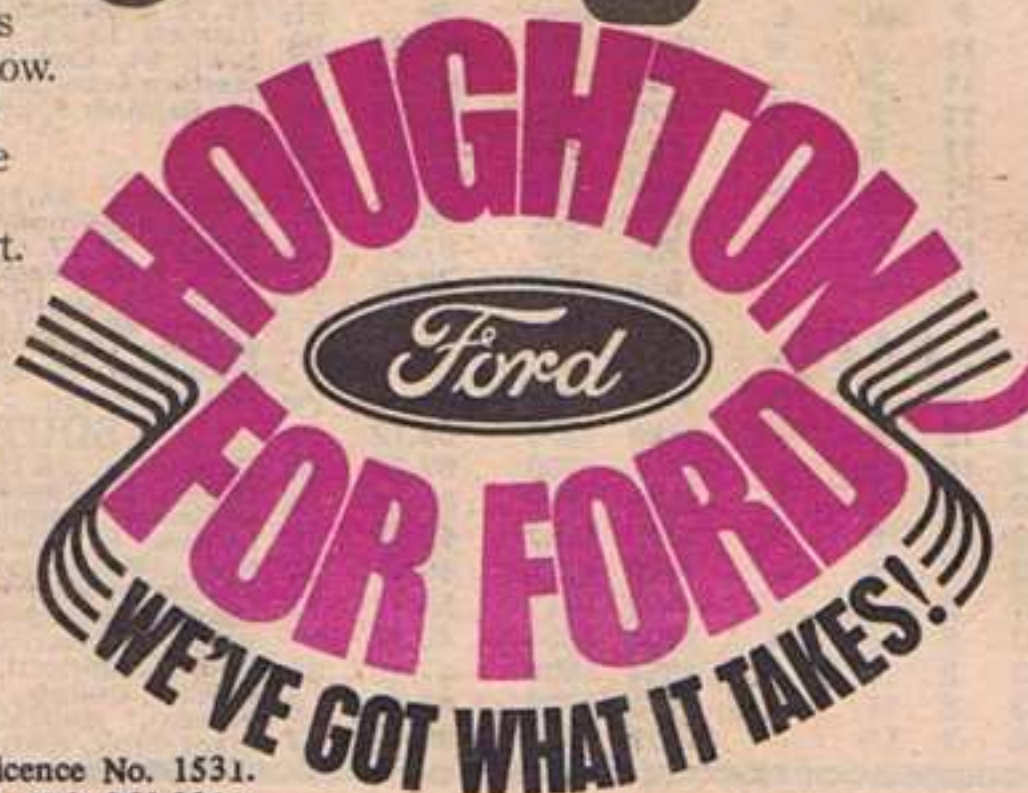
MARTY McDONNELL: *Subiaco will prove to be too strong for a sick, tired and somewhat broken down Royals team. Sorry, Dorro, but you just haven't got the numbers.*



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IAN MILLER



GROUND SHARING IS A MUST

There are many aspects of football in WA that need improving — but the league must really have a close look at the sharing of grounds.

Last Saturday was a classic example of "fine weather" spectators not turning up. Such spectators require adequate facilities, especially undercover shelters.

The biggest factor in introducing these facilities is costs — but if only four or five grounds were developed, surely we would attract more people to the game.

Clubs would not lose any identity because they would still train on their existing grounds and social facilities would remain there.

Ground sharing works effectively for four teams in Melbourne. Melbourne and Richmond share the Melbourne Cricket Ground and Hawthorn and Carlton share Princes Park.

Perhaps in WA the teams to share grounds are East Fremantle and South Fremantle; Swan Districts-Perth; East Perth-West Perth; Claremont-Subiaco.

And, on the subject of grounds, if our league clubs are to continue competing in the Australian Football Championships, the lighting of a major ground will be necessary.

There are only two real possibilities — Perth or Subiaco Ovals.

TOUGH LESSON

Subiaco learnt the hard way on Saturday that the game is not over until the final siren.

It was disappointing for the Lions, who have played well and injected new life into the competition.

But West Perth showed the trade marks of a good side to come from behind and their last 15 minutes of football might make all the difference in whether they finish in the four or not.

GREAT ROUND

The WAFL has a great chance to promote four good games this weekend.

On paper they all look very even and it will be interesting to see how the football public responds to any promotion initiated by the league.

JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT

A lot has been said in the past couple of weeks about the development — or lack of it — of junior football.

Much of criticism has been just, but some is not.

The game has to be developed in the primary schools, Interschool competition must be brought back and house and faction competitions instituted. This could be done by the Physical Education Department and the WAFL.

The skills must be taught at the grass roots level — the primary schools. Secondary schools offer too many options away from football.

It follows that if boys are not keen and have not played the game sufficiently in primary schools, they will be lost to the sport in secondary schools.

Years ago it was an honour to represent your school. Now most schools are not involved to the same extent in interschool competitions and if they are, often have to "drag" boys from other areas to represent their school in football.

PLEASING PERFORMANCES

The most significant aspect of Claremont's performance last Saturday was the work of some of their so-called "lesser lights".

Players such as Ray Smith, Brad Reynolds and Noel Morton are really setting up a solid defence for the Tigers.

CHANGE NEEDED

The wet and dark conditions on Saturday brought home the need for Claremont to change their jumpers.

The numbers are very hard to see — mainly because of the sash on the back, and perhaps a patch could be substituted.

The WAFL may also like to have a look at introducing numbers on shorts as in basketball and other sports.

MORE RESERVES

East Perth could have done with four interchange players on Saturday.

Steve Curtis and Glyn Williams were injured in the first half and captain John Hayes was on one leg in the second.

Maybe with all the changes to football over the years, we could finish up like the VFA — 16 a side (no wingers) and four interchange players.

GREAT VERSATILITY

You have got to hand it to Stephen Michael, who showed his great versatility on Saturday by playing most of the game against Perth at full-forward — where he kicked seven goals.

FOOTNOTE: *Just a point on last week's item about umpires and sponsorship. I realise that the local umpires have some form of sponsorship involving cash awards for the best performers. But I was really referring to the WAFL allowing their umpires to catch up to their VFL and SANFL counterparts with logo identification on their gear.*

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