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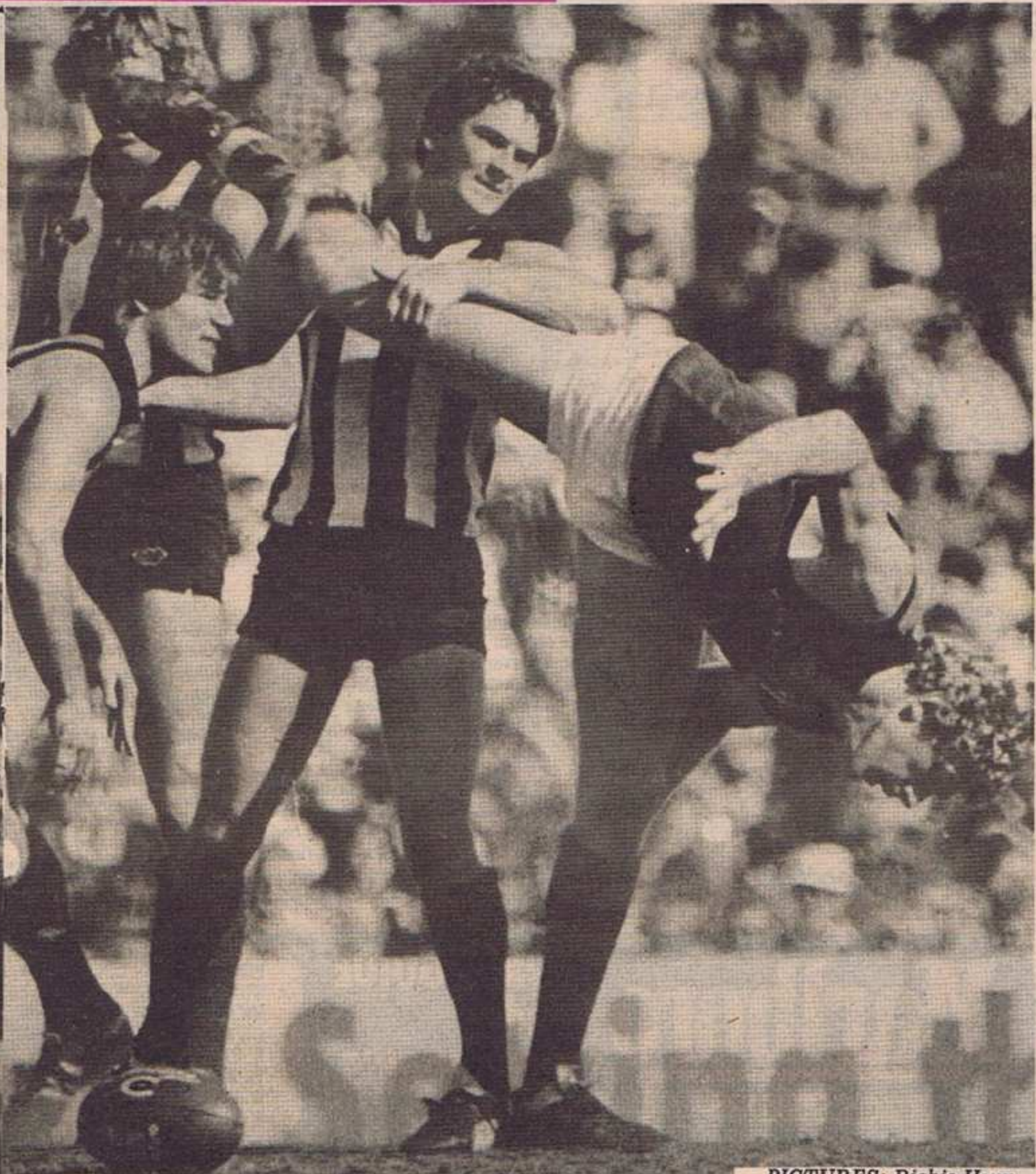
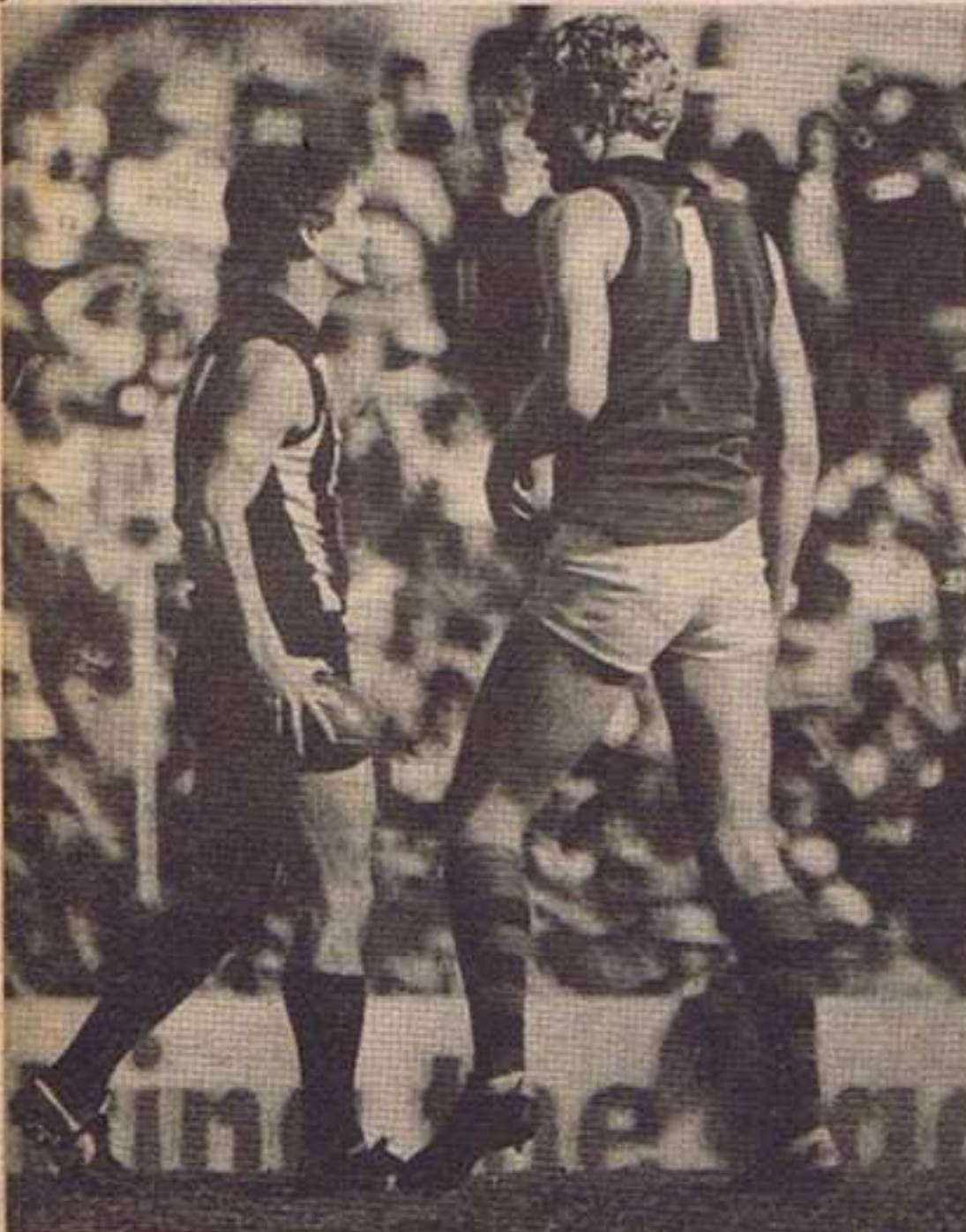
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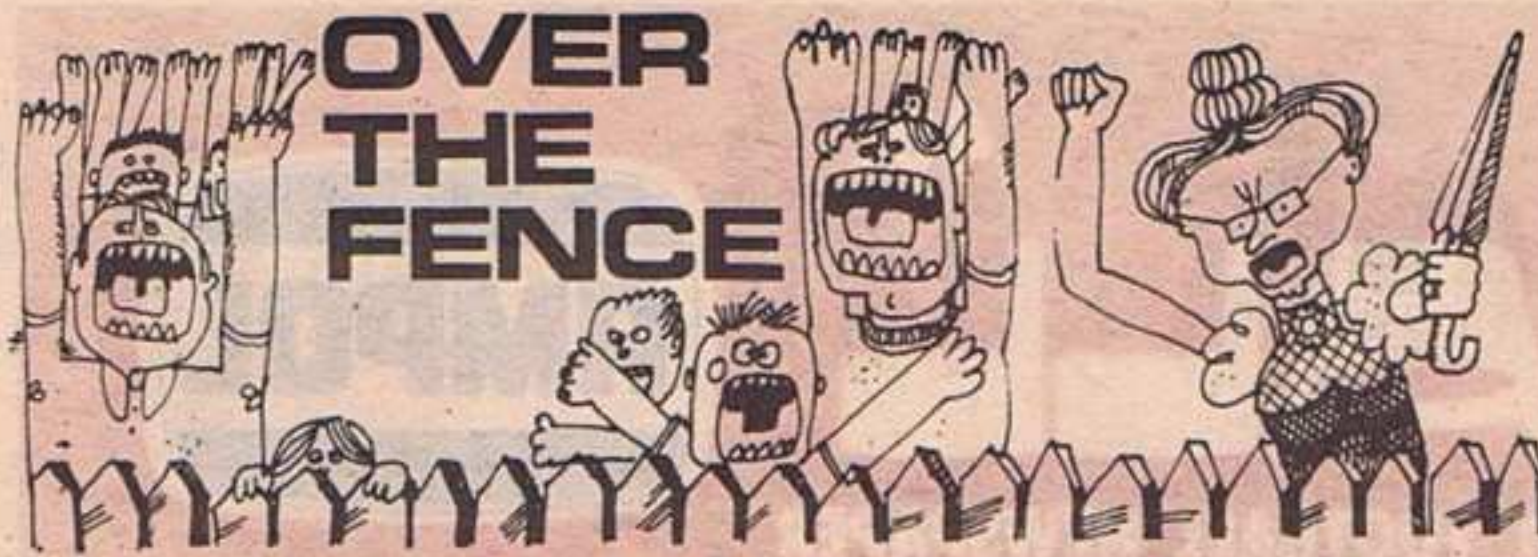
STRECHING HIS PATIENCE

It looks like just another on-field confrontation . . . but it didn't quite end up that way. Evergreen Swans star Graham Melrose, a veteran of nearly 300 senior games, was not going to be daunted by the sight of 6ft. 7in. John Ironmonger, the rookie Royals ruckman. Their clash at Bassendean Oval last week saw the young East Perth player doing some unwanted stretching exercises after clashing with the tough little rover. And East Perth's Chris Allen seems quite fascinated by the whole affair.



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OVER THE FENCE

ALL THE SEVENS . . .

The Football Media Guild tipping contest, sponsored by John Buzzza's Menswear, seems certain to be an all Channel 7 affair with just one set of fixtures remaining. Sports commentator Harvey Deegan has opened up an almost unassailable lead and only has to pick two winners this week to make certain of the \$200 end-of-season prize. He has 75 points, four clear of co-Channel 7 man Frank Sparrow and our own columnist, Ian Miller. One point back on 70 is another Channel 7 man, Harry Kelly. Sharing 69 points are Alan East (Western Mail) and Tim Flynn (6PM) with Geoff Christian (The West) on 68.

SOUTH AUCTION

A caravan, two motorised "fun trikes", a car and Basil Campbell's helmet head the list of items to go under the hammer at the South Fremantle Football Club's gigantic Auction on Monday, September 14.

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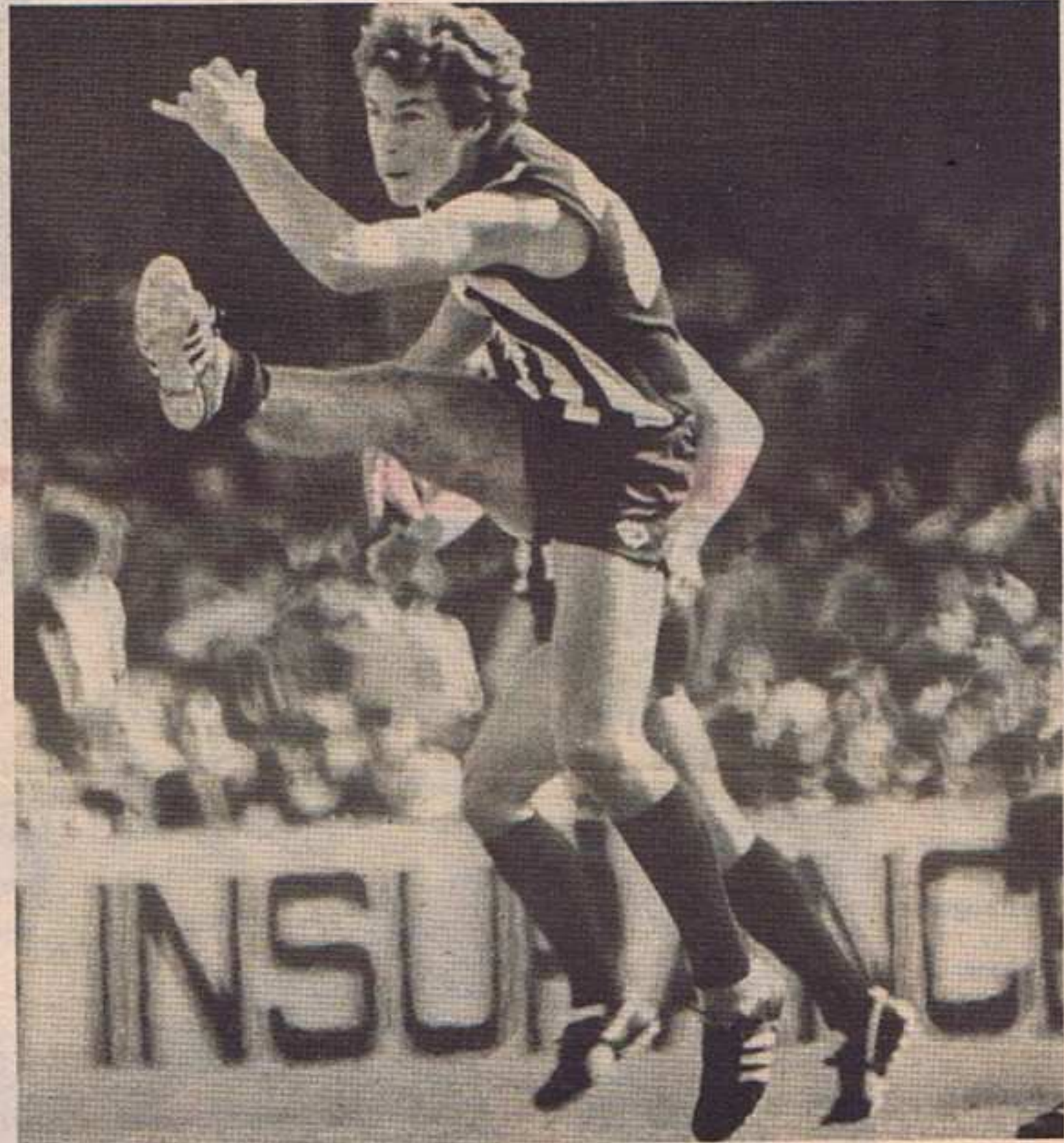
Reaching a milestone in football is something that should be honoured accordingly, by the media, the public and the club concerned. Therefore, it was a bit puzzling to discover on Saturday that Subiaco's Neil Taylor was playing his 100th game. No-one at Subiaco bothered to inform the media, who would certainly have gone out of their way to publicise the achievement during the week leading up to the event. Sorry, Neil . . . but well done anyway.

BACK CHAT?

Just what did Tim Gepp say to upset field umpire Ross Capes last week? Watching the incident, it had to be something rude as Capes doesn't often remonstrate with a player as he did in this case. Gepp obviously didn't agree with Capes' decision to give South Fremantle's Brad Hardie a free kick in the second quarter — but he probably didn't expect the reaction from Capes either.

BROWN'S IMPROVEMENT

Rod Brown has certainly emerged as one of the most consistent players in league football in recent weeks. He has stepped into the full-back spot at Subiaco (after the disappointing injury to Mitch Fussell) and has done it in fine style. One reason put forward for Brown's improved form is that the former Swans player now has a steady job as a policeman and has settled down, buying his own home and so forth. Seems as though the stability off the field has helped his consistency on the field.



Swans defender Jon Fogarty drives the ball deep out of attack last week.

MORLEY'S CHANCE

Talking about milestones . . . you can rest assured that South Fremantle's Tony Morley will reach his 200th game this week, injury or no injury. The former Bulldogs captain has been one of South's most loyal servants over a decade of football and coach Mal Brown will have him in this week's line-up regardless of how his ankle injury is. With just one game needed to join the 200 Club, Morley has made it clear that he won't be back next season . . . so it has to be this Saturday's game against West Perth — which doesn't mean much any way — or never as he certainly wouldn't be risked in a semi-final. In advance, let us be the first to congratulate one of the game's finest exponents. Well done, Tony!

POPULAR PETE . . .

You can't deny the popularity of Peter Bosustow at Carlton. The club's recent dinner auction saw a number of guernseys up for sale . . . and Bosustow's took the highest price, something just over \$400. When you consider that Carlton has some long-standing stars like Bruce Doull, Mike Fitzpatrick, Rod Ashman and David McKay . . . then it's not a bad popularity poll conquest by the former Perth lad. Just by comparison — John Hayes, Stephen Curtis and George Michalczyk had their jumpers auctioned at the recent East Perth dinner — and brought about \$170 in all!

SUNNY CITRUS BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

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

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- Mal Georgeff (WP) 21 on 13th



Laurie Liddelow (P) 21 on 9th



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FORM GUIDE and THIS WEEK'S GAMES

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Time to look at our umpiring

The West Australian Football League should seriously consider looking in the eastern States for an umpire to take over the crown from Ross Capes as WA's No. 1 man in white.

Sounds crazy? Maybe. But in an era when footballers have become more professional, umpires have hardly moved from the centre square.

If anything, and I know it's hard to believe, criticism of umpires has heightened of late.

WA clubs look to the east for footballers to boost the flagging ranks. Why shouldn't the same apply for umpires if our current crop are lacking?

Capes is likely to retire either at the end of this season or next year at the latest. The chirpy man in white freely admits the two-umpire system has kept him in the game.

Who have we got emerging through the ranks to replace the little whistle blower? Nobody of note.

NOT ROSY

It doesn't look particularly rosy for football. Men like John Morris, Darryle Gillies, Bob Phillips, Ron Buckey and Ron Powell have all been given the chance to show they have the ability to take over from Capes.

They had the chance, but no one has really displayed enough to suggest they could fill the bill.

Apart from Morris and Phillips, I believe the tide has certainly ebbed on the number of talented umpires we have at our disposal.

The most disheartening aspect is that young umpires are not coming up through the ranks. Juniors are staying away from umpiring in droves.

We have the same old faces at times making the same old mistakes.

The recruitment of an umpire from the east would lie in the hands of the league who would have to employ the man full-time.

CAPTAIN-COACH

He could become a sort of captain-coach of umpiring and develop the talents of the umpires we have. His role would be to train umpires and also officiate at a match on Saturday.

Our game can develop more fully if umpires are given the chance of exercising their talents to the limit.

Currently we have an umpires advisor and a group of men who sit in judgement of the performance of umpires during the matches on Saturday.

The system is "bitsy" and could be made more efficient if the league appointed a man full-time.



• Top umpire Ross Capes in action during a heated confrontation.

NEW RULE NEEDED

STILL ON umpires. One law I would like to see introduced revolves around the ball going out of bounds.

But to police the proposed change there would need to be two boundary umpires working the same side of an oval.

I believe that free kicks should be awarded against any player who knocks, taps, handballs, or kicks the ball, on the full or otherwise out of bounds.

It would increase the tempo of the game and keep the ball in play at all times.

Under the system, there would no longer be throw-ins from the boundary.

The pace of the game would be far more furious than it is currently which would bring more highlights to football.

The same law applies in soccer, and I suppose that is enough for some people to oppose it.

However, one of the curious laws of our game is deliberately knocking the ball out of bounds.

A backman can get away without incurring a penalty by flying in a pack and deliberately punching the ball over the boundary.

But he can't tap the ball along and then knock it over the line if one or two players are chasing him.

It's only the blatant cases that are penalised though a player who spoils an opponent has every intention to take the ball out of play.

A new law would eliminate the need for an umpire to make the decision because the boundary umpire would already have awarded the kick.

THIS WEEK:

RAY WILSON

Sunday Times football writer



Last words

TWO LAST words on umpiring. The rule on ducking the head and getting a free kick is still far too inconsistently treated by umpires.

Some will award around the shoulder, while other umpires pay either holding the ball, or play-on.

The other law which is bringing confusion is the 15 metre penalty. When a player is awarded a 15m penalty he is usually consumed with the idea of charging into his opponent who is backpedalling to the new mark.

Something must be done about this because often another 15 metres is awarded against the hapless marksman who is only doing his job.

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Move was surrounded with bad luck

Football has had many fine moments for Ross Prunster . . . but it has also had some tragic turning points.

His decision to leave West Perth, after passing the 150-game mark and achieving club life membership, was surrounded by controversy and had an unsettling effect on his football.

It even seemed as though the controversy would be accompanied by bad luck as he was struck down by injury soon after arriving at his new club, Perth. It is hard to win acceptance in a new club, especially when you have a high reputation from a rival camp. But it's even harder when you are plagued with injury.

However, Prunster accepted the challenge and though Perth have not enjoyed a lot of success since his move, he has emerged as a key senior player and is one man around who the nucleus of a new-look Perth can be developed.

This week football writer ALAN EAST talks to Prunster about his career.

Q: It's certainly been a tough time for you in the last few years, hasn't it?

A: Yes, it hasn't been easy. But that's something you just have to accept and get over.

Q: What has been the hardest part of the last two years to accept?

A: Injuries. I missed two games in 159 for West Perth and then in my first practice match here I broke my leg. Trying to accept that I was injured and not try to come back too soon was hard. That's what I tried to do and it hasn't worked.

Q: You got back into the side mid-way through last season, didn't you?

A: Yes, but in my second game back I broke two ribs. I kept playing with them, but it didn't help my form. Then this year I burst the fluid sack in my knee, which kept me sidelined for about four weeks. You can't blame injuries because once you are out there you have to perform.

Q: What were the reasons leading to your move to Perth?

A: I realised that I hadn't got a lot out of football and I felt that I had about four years left, so I needed to look around for some better opportunities.. Subiaco

made me a good offer, but I came to Perth because of an easier clearance situation. It was a hard decision to make. I've still got a soft spot for all the players at West Perth, but I'm happy about making the decision. All my family still follow West Perth and I'm the Black Sheep so to speak, but it's a decision I made and I'm quite happy and prepared to stand by it.

Q: Has it been hard coming into a young club with a reputation as a senior player?

A: When I came to Perth I thought they had a chance of making the finals, but the loss of Peter Bosustow was a big blow. He always used to keep us in the game, but now that the side is struggling it gets harder. The side has to rely on players like myself to lift them. But if you haven't got the key position players it's hard to lift a team from the half-back flank.

Q: You look as though you have settled back in on a half-back flank?

A: Yes, it looks as though it could be permanent.

Q: Are you happy with your form this year?

A: No, I haven't been happy. Over the last three or four weeks I've started to get my game back together a bit. I think I became too defensive. When you play top sides like Swans, South and Claremont and you are on a half-back-flank with players running down the ground, it's hard to be attacking, you tend to be negative.

Q: Over the years, you've moved around a bit haven't you?

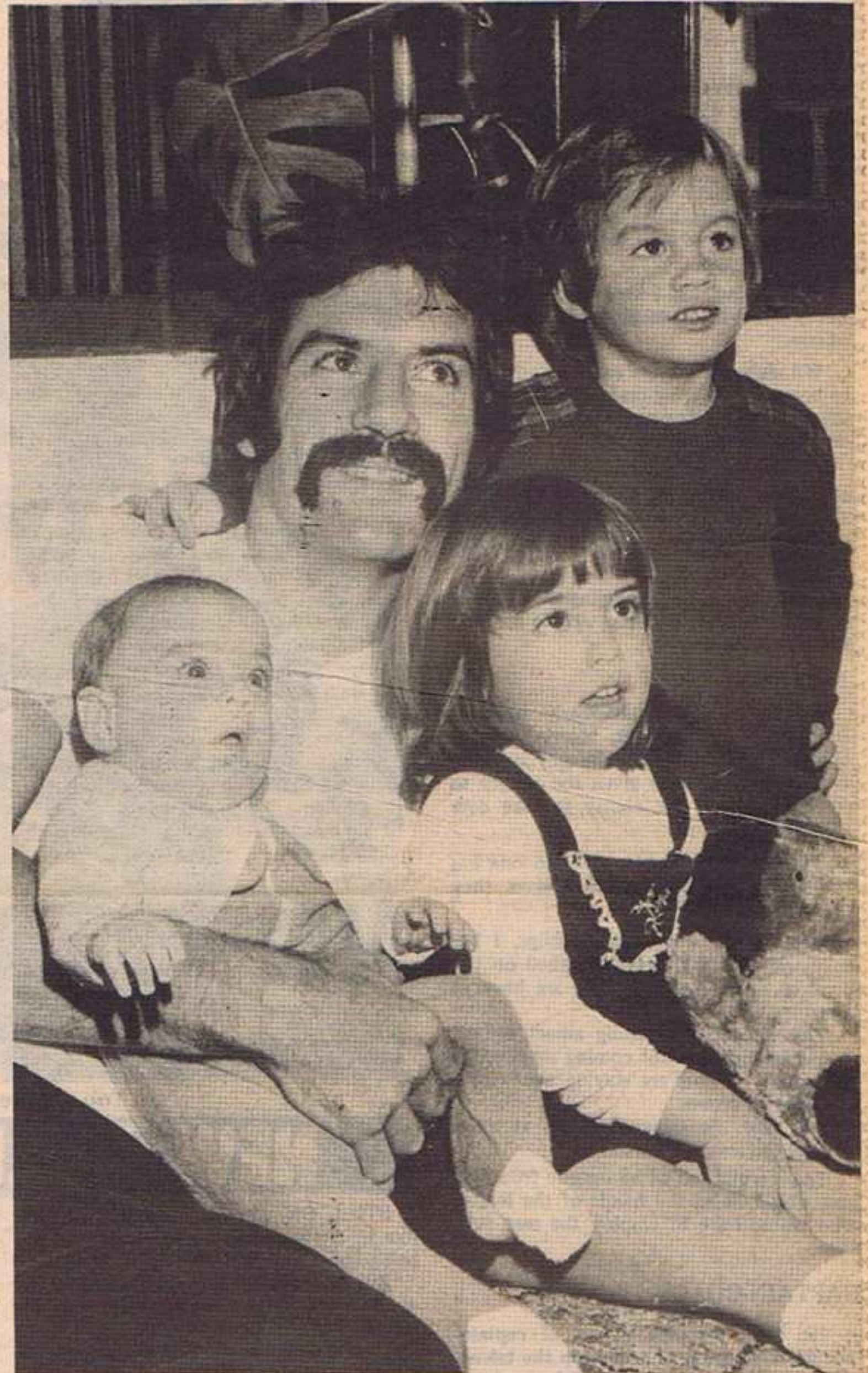
A: I started as a ruck-rover with West Perth. Then I went to half-back, then centre and now back to defence. I like playing in the centre, but how can I here with Alan Johnson running so hot?

Q: When you made the State side, what position were you playing in?

A: Centre the first time. Maurice Rioli pulled a hamstring muscle and I went in against South Australia. That was in 1979 when we got beaten and we didn't go too well. I felt terrible! Then last year I played as a half-back flanker.

Q: Where did you play when you won the fairest and best at West Perth?

A: That was in 1979 and I played centre almost all year. I don't think I could go back to ruck-roving now. It's been six years since I've ruck-roved, so I think it



Veteran defender Ross Prunster with his children Gavin (rear), Melissa and baby Terry.

would take three or four games to read the play again.

Q: What was your early football background?

A: I came from Geraldton as a 12-year-old and I played with the North Perth juniors. I played amateurs with Mt Hawthorn-West Perth for a couple of years, then went down to West Perth and tried out with the thirds, but I went back to amateurs for a year. Then I went back

to Leederville and tried out for league in 1973 and made it.

Q: You played a lot of games in a row, didn't you?

A: I played 119 games straight and then missed two. I pulled a hamstring in 1975 and Stephen Smeath took my place as a ruck-rover and got about 33 kicks, so I had to play reserves. Then the following week Graham Heal got suspended, so I got back in on a half-back flank.

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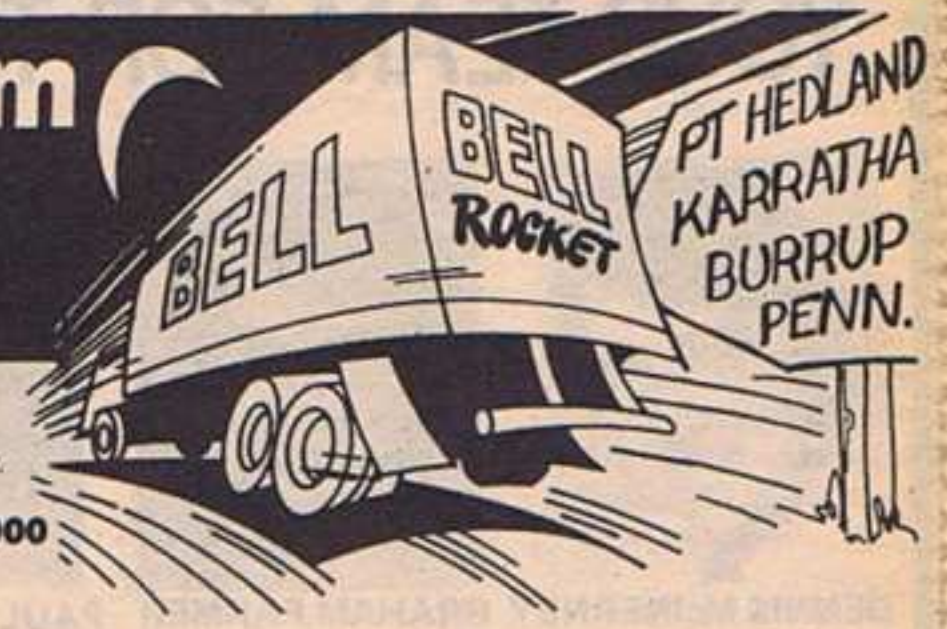
Name: Ross Prunster
Born: 20.9.51, Geraldton
Height: 5ft. 11in. (180cm)
Weight: 12st. 6lb. (79kg)
Lives at: Wanneroo Heights
Married: Yes
Wife's name: Bernadette or Burnie
Children: Gavin 5; Melissa 3; Terry 3 months
Occupation: Carpet layer
Favourite food: Anything
Favourite drink: Beer
Football honours: 1975 premiership team; State games, West Perth fairest and best in 1979.
Hobbies and relaxation: Skin-diving
Football likes: The game itself, it's just tremendous
Football dislikes: Injuries
Idols in football: Bill Dempsey and Mel Whinnen
Hard things in football: To try and keep yourself playing at your peak, especially mentally.
Ambitions: Play consistently
Came from: West Perth
League debut: 1973 (West Perth)
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Radio 6IX critic
Allan (Chubby) Stiles.

Chubby's Chatter

East Fremantle president Merv Cowan spoke to quite a few players during his recent trip to Melbourne — and he was at the Geelong-Essendon game to watch a few of his former club players in action.

He obviously had talks to Tony Buhagiar and Brian Peake, but my Melbourne reports indicate that Peake will spend at least one more year in the VFL.

I would suggest that when Peake does return to WA he will have his eyes on the East Fremantle coaching position, so a two-year stint in the VFL would be the grounding he needs.

BOURKE FOR WA?

Former Richmond veteran Francis Bourke could be available to coach in Perth next year.

The Tiger star retired this year after 300 league games and during a recent television interview in Melbourne he indicated that he would like to coach.

His preference obviously was for Richmond, but with Tony Jewell re-appointed there, he has to bide his time.

Richmond's past history shows that they do not like appointing coaches who don't have experience — Barry Richardson and Tony Jewell both coached the club's reserves before getting the league job.

This could lead to Bourke travelling interstate for his coaching experience — as did David Parkin, who did a stint with Subiaco before returning to his old club, Hawthorn and then going to Carlton.

WINGER WILEY

Champion WA rover Rob Wiley has been seen in a new role in Victoria recently — as a winger.

Returning from injury two weeks ago — he had looked certain to be out for the remainder of the year — he was placed on a wing and had 26 possessions, followed up with 31 possessions last week and was named Richmond's best player in most Victorian papers.

Wiley's adaptability and willingness to improve has made a lot of people in the WA and Victorian media eat humble pie.

As mentioned previously, Wiley will be in Victoria for another two years and Perth should be looking for this player to coach them on his return — and don't be surprised if Wiley brings Richmond's high-flying Jim Jess with him. They are close friends and Jess is keen to play in WA.

MELBOURNE FIRST

With Melbourne's recruiting manager, David Robb, currently in WA it is interesting to note that if he succeeds in enticing Perth's Alan Johnson to the VFL he will be the first WA player to play for Melbourne.

Robb, who is also Ron Barassi's manager, was in Perth to set up appointments for the hot-gossiping Melbourne coach for a motivational tour in October.

DIRTY START

Media men who arrived at East Fremantle Oval last Saturday for the big league match, turned their nose up even before the first ball was bounced. A stray dog had left its somewhat on-the-nose calling card on the press box seats... and that put a lot of commentators off right from the outset.



SANDOVER MEDAL

THE BEST

... Say their coaches

STEPHEN MICHAEL

South Fremantle coach Mal Brown describes Stephen Michael as the best player he has ever coached.

"He just keeps on getting the ball every week. I have never seen a ruckman get 35 possessions of the ball — let alone on a regular basis," said Brown.

But Brown doesn't think that Michael should be described as a ruckman. "He is a ruckman and rover all built into one," he said.

"He can go up for a ball, tap it away and then pick up the crumbs himself. You know the other week I saw him give Phil Narkle a couple of yards start for the ball, overtake him get in front and gain possession.

"There certainly hasn't been a ruckman like him in terms of agility or recovery."

Brown believes that Michael has performed better in 1981 than in any previous year he has been associated with the champion.

There are four main reasons for this:

- His performance each week.
- He is always keen to learn more about the game.
- He has become a real personality within the team.
- He has started to enjoy training and is now a good track worker — something he wasn't keen on earlier in his career.

"When you take all these things into account and then add the facts that he is hard and aggressive while still being scrupulously fair and a brilliant tackler, what more can you want from a footballer?" said Brown.

If he had to single out a weakness in his game, Brown thinks that his kicking for goal could be criticised. "Stephen is a brilliant snap shot, but misses too many from deliberate shots," he said.

JIM KRAKOUER

Claremont captain-coach Graham Moss rates Jimmy Krakouer as the best rover he has ever seen.

"He is incredible with his ability to read the ball off the pack — there is no-one quite like him," says Moss.

"But it doesn't end there. He can take a high mark over a ruckman, his ground play is brilliant and he never wastes an kick."

Moss is getting a lot of satisfaction from Krakouer's performances because the Claremont ace started his career under him.

"We have some harrowing experiences and I must admit that at times I have thought that all the work we have put in hasn't been worth it.

"But we have all stuck at it together and the results in 1981 have made all the hard times worthwhile," he said.

Moss obviously rates 1981 as Jimmy's best season in football and points out that he has "grown up" as a footballer.

One of the significant factors in this new-found maturity was the way the umpires voted for him in last year's Sandover Medal.

"It gave him a big lift and raised his football ambitions," said Moss, "I think he realised that if he really put his head down, he could win something like a Sandover Medal."

He believes that Jimmy's football has been better this year because it has been more consistent. Not only has he been able to string together a succession of brilliant games — but it has been a four-quarter effort in most of these.

Moss doesn't think that brother Phil will take too many votes off him. "In many cases they have been the best two on the ground. Jimmy would either have to pick up three votes or two. In my view they have assisted each other more than handicapped each other," he said.



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commentator.



WATTS UP? with J.K.

Hi there folks,

Well its girls night out on Monday. Thats right, for the first time ever all the wives and girl friends have been invited to the Sandover Medal count.

That should lift the tone of the evening and I know lots of girls that are looking forward to having a big night.

Mrs Mal Brown (alias the lovely Kay) is one. She hasn't seen Malcolm since they got married last year.

MEDAL TIP

My tip for the Sandover Medal is still Stephen Michael. He has been the favourite all year and with one match to go Jimmy Krakouer looks his only danger.

My pick as the best outsider from the other six clubs would be Alan Johnson (Perth), Phil Narkle (Swans), Gary Buckenara (Subiaco), Wayne Otway (East Perth), Peter Menaglio (West Perth) and if someone from East Fremantle wins it they will have to give it back.

NOT GRUDGE

One player who must be considered unlucky this year is Gerard Neesham from Swans. He got reported for striking George Michalczyk in the second round. It's obvious that Gerard does not hold any grudges because last Saturday he dropped poor old George again for old times sake.

This time the umpires did not see it and I know these two are still good mates.

Its your turn next George and if East Perth meet Swans in the finals I reckon it will be the best blue since Muhammed Ali fought Smoking Joe Frazier.

Its been a long drawn out season this year and the players, supporters and the media just cannot wait for the finals to start.

THE BIG THREE

These last couple of weeks everybody has just been going through the motions and the real action starts at Subiaco tomorrow week.

Never in my memory have we had three sides as good and as even as Swans, Claremont and Souths playing in the finals.

Swans have to win it to keep Toddy as coach. Claremont have to win it or Mossy will get the sack and Souths have to win it to keep Brown out of a straight jacket.

I DON'T QUALIFY

I was talking to Lindsay Johnston the former Swans player and league umpire after the game at Bassendean last week and he asked me if I ever considered taking up umpiring.

Poor old Lindsay doesn't realize that I am not eligible because my parents were married.

P.S. Graham Campbell sends his regards to John Duckworth.

See you folks.

THE HOOD



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

BUM DEAL

Football seems to have slumped to an all-time low with our star players having to pose naked to raise a dollar! The picture in The Sunday Independent showing the beautiful black-and-whites lined up starkers didn't do anything for the image of the game. Things are really tough if we have to unrobe to raise funds.

NON-PAYER

It's obvious that Sunday Times columnist Doug Cunningham is on the 'free list' as far as going to the football is concerned - or else, he doesn't go to the games. He was talking about the cost of \$3.80 to get in to the football today - it's only \$3.60 Doug, although it will be higher next year... and that's no rumour!

FREE PLUGS

You can't keep a good man down... and that's certainly the case with ever-green Bill Valli, now showing the Lions how to play tough, ball-getting football. At their presentation of trophies on Saturday night - after a morale-boosting win over South Fremantle - tributes were flowing thick and fast, so Bill got into the action. Among his list of thank-you's was one for his employers for allowing him time off for football - Bill Valli Real Estate!

... AND SOME MORE

Still at the Subiaco social hall... captain Brian Douge was called on to handle the presentations, with injury still keeping him on the sidelines. Among his tributes and thank-you's to various people, he slipped in a quick one for the doctors "who helped get me up here tonight."

PETER'S PROSE

Regular listeners to radio 6PR know that around-the-groundsman Peter Van Helden has the most unusual dictionary in the business. His list of long words often bedazzle the public and this week he also came up with another of his funnies. Talking about people in the grandstand disagreeing with the umpires, he said he felt that too many supporters came to the football wearing cement sunglasses.

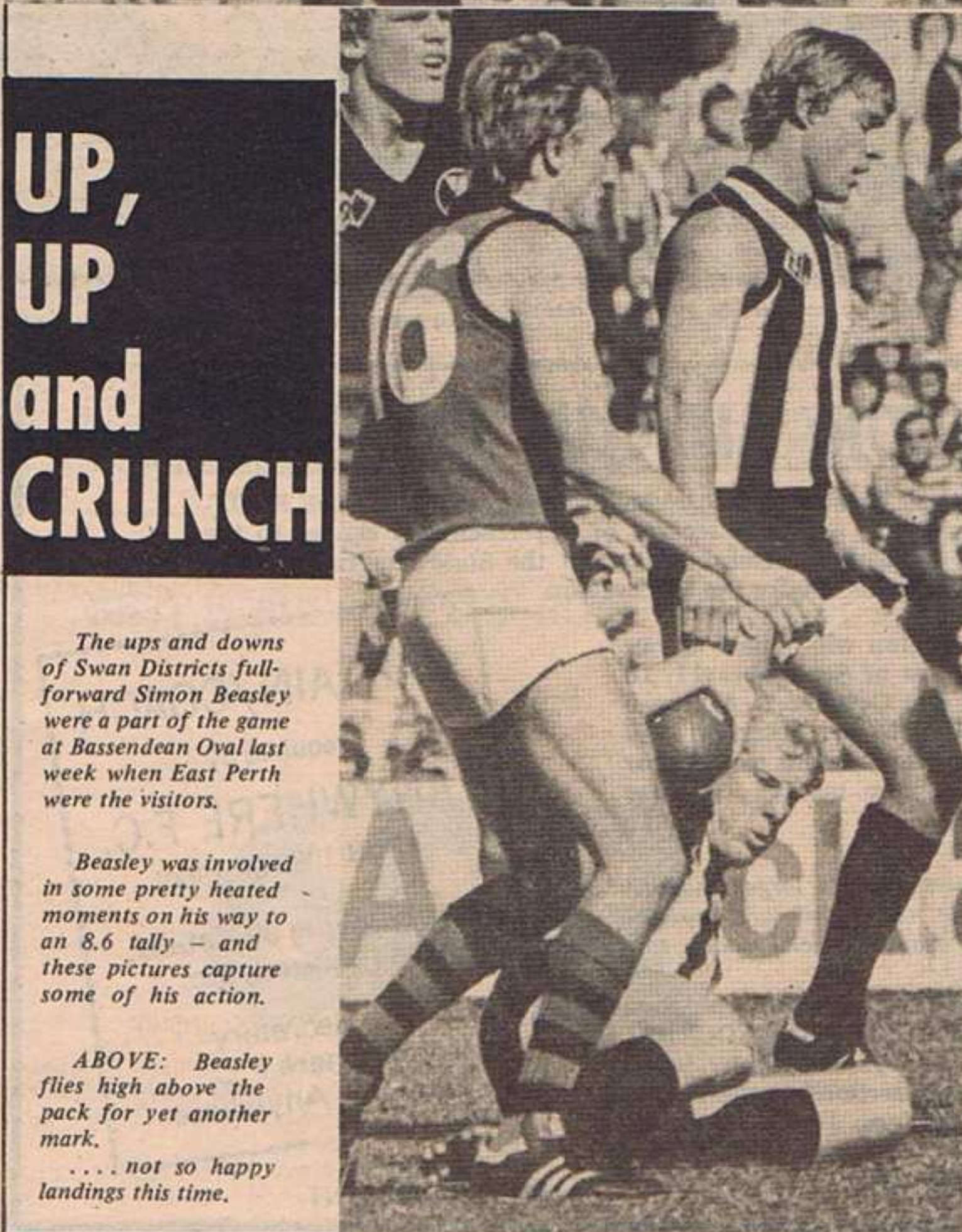
RIGHT ON! PERCY

Despite the fact that Percy Johnson is not one of my fans, I must give him credit for his rather forceful oratory on 6IX last Saturday on the subject of women attending this year's Channel 7-Sandover Medal presentation. It was also interesting to note that in a station phone-in poll WOMEN overwhelmingly supported his view that the presentation is no place for our female friends.

LONG ODDS

Without being racist, it's interesting to note that you can get 14/1 about a white man winning this year's Channel 7-Sandover Medal. Champion Aboriginal footballers Stephen Michael, Jim Krakouer, Phil Narkle and Phil Krakouer have the market to themselves.

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



UP, UP and CRUNCH

The ups and downs of Swan Districts full-forward Simon Beasley were a part of the game at Bassendean Oval last week when East Perth were the visitors.

Beasley was involved in some pretty heated moments on his way to an 8.6 tally - and these pictures capture some of his action.

ABOVE: Beasley flies high above the pack for yet another mark.

... not so happy landings this time.

Marlboro GOALS!

\$1000 Golden Boot Leader:

Warren Ralph

Subiaco's Peter Munro gets many of his goals from strong marks... but he picked up one of his four against South Fremantle when he caught his opponents napping. The ball came off a goalsquare pack and as everyone stood around waiting for something to happen, Munro grabbed it and snapped a good left-footer to bring up Subiaco's eighth major. Munro's other three goals came after strong marks - such as his fourth when he outmarked Joe McKay, from behind, turned and played on into an open goal.

BEASLEY BACK

Swan Districts full-forward Simon Beasley has been out of touch a little in recent weeks, but he quickly reminded fans of his skill in the first quarter of the game against East Perth. Beasley kicked his team's first three goals - one brilliantly soccered, a second read off the back of a pack and the third from a mark. Beasley went on to kick eight goals and give him the confidence he needs for the coming finals.

PACY POLSON

Victorian recruit Gordon Polson has warmed to the task of succeeding in WA football and his effort for Subiaco last week showed that he has plenty of potential. He kicked the team's 12th goal with a great solo run down the flank - helped with some clever shepherding by team-mate Phil Lamb - and kicked a long goal. He snapped another in the opening seconds of the final term to put Subiaco well on the road to a comfortable victory.

INSPIRING

Mike Richardson is one of WA's inspirational performers, often pulling off dare-devil type feats. He won the \$100 from Town and Country last week with the goal-of-the-day on World of Football that certainly qualified as an extraordinary feat. He took a strong mark from behind an East Perth pack, hit the ground and took off despite defenders groping everywhere... and then snapped a left-footer on the run.

FREEDOM MAN...

Perth rookie Lindsay Carter is certainly enjoying the freedom of ruck-roving after making an impressive debut as a wingman. Last week he kicked three of Perth's six goals in the first quarter; two long running shots and then a screw kick that was right on line.

TIMELY MARK

New West Perth ruckman Mal Bennett has only kicked two goals in his career... but the second was most timely. He took a strong mark in the square in the closing minutes of the game against Perth last week and kicked the goal that put the Cardies in front.

MARLBORO TOP TEN

Warren Ralph (C'mont)	118.67
Simon Beasley (Swans)	109.58
Brad Hardie (Souths)	70.49
Steve Malaxos (C'mont)	70.27
Brett Farmer (C'mont)	62.29
Bruce Monteath (Souths)	53.45
Brian Adamson (West Perth)	52.20
Doug Simms (Perth)	49.38
Mike Richardson (Swans)	49.30
Phil Krakouer (C'mont)	49.13

THRILLING END TO QUALIFYING ROUND

The thrilling end to the VFL qualifying round produced premiership-type celebrations in several clubs.

The VFL officialdom could not have planned it better . . . seven teams in with a chance of making the final five in the last qualifying match of the season . . . and every position in the top five liable to change.

It turned out that Carlton grabbed top spot — and a healthy double chance advantage — when Collingwood went down to Fitzroy; a victory that put the Lions into the finals.

The atmosphere at Fitzroy was incredible.

First-year coach Robert Walls had downed top dogs Collingwood — at Collingwood — to hold their fifth spot.

They won the respect of football fans everywhere with their desperate run home in the final few games. And now the critics are saying that they can go on with it.

"I'm enormously proud of them," said Walls after the win. "I'm not thinking about a grand final at this stage, just thankful that we have lifted ourselves up into the top half."

"I'm proud of the fact that they had a fair dinkum go for four quarters and showed great faith in each other at all times.

"We are in the finals now and anything can happen from here."

Walls has certainly proved himself a top-flight rookie coach. The former Carlton star — he played in their 1968, 1970 and 1972 premiership teams — has lifted the Lions from bottom spot . . . and he has been helped by former WA star, Ron Alexander, who stayed on at Fitzroy when he heard that Walls was coming along to take up the coaching role.

Meanwhile, across at the MCG the mood of the Carlton camp was like premiership elation.

The Blues had downed reigning premiers, Richmond, in fine style in a tough wet-weather game. It put Richmond out of the finals and Carlton grabbed top spot.

They now believe that the premiership is only two wins away — and after downing the Tigers in the season's worst conditions at the MCG who can deny them that thought?

It is David Parkin's theory of football that has left the Blues riding high. After dumping the much-loved Percy Jones, the Blues have developed a new attitude towards football — you run hard and straight at the ball and to hell with the risks.

Sickening siren . . .

Geelong officials breathed a sigh of relief when the final siren went against Essendon and they were eight points clear . . .

Because, once again, a fiasco over the siren had erupted and Essendon was credited with a goal kicked at least three seconds after the third-quarter siren had sounded.

As Essendon coach Kevin Sheedy said: "I would not like to have been Geelong. It was incredible. If I had been a Geelong supporter and they lost by less than a goal, then I wouldn't be too happy."

The problem arose when Essendon's Neville Fields kicked the goal, but umpire Mike Dye didn't hear the siren and allowed it to stand.

Both umpires were carrying beepers designed to overcome such a problem and VFL Park ground manager, Ralph Lane, said that the umpires would be questioned about the situation.

The vexed question of umpires not hearing sirens was a hot topic last year when Collingwood were robbed of a night grand final and it also happened four weeks ago in a game between Geelong and Fitzroy.

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Wiley's finish

It was certainly no fault of former WA star Robert Wiley that Richmond have finished out of this year's finals.

The tough little rover made a courageous fightback from injury to take his place in the league team as the season came to an end — and his first quarter against Carlton last week was a gem.

Wiley had eight kicks for the term and he finished as the top ball-getter in the match with 19 kicks and nine handpasses.

Despite the disappointment of missing the finals, the former Perth rover seems set to stay in the VFL for another year.

Carlton clampdown

Carlton might be the top team in the VFL — but almost every media man is secretly hoping that they don't win the flag.

The Blues have banned all their players from talking to the media as the finals build-up starts . . . and that means a lot less copy for the press reporters.

Melbourne's notorious columnist, The Shadow, had this to say about the ban in last week's Sunday Observer: "The ultra-professionalism and in-club spirit that coach David Parkin is trying to mould is going too far when experienced hands such as Soutby, McKay, Doull, Fitzpatrick and Ashman cannot talk openly to the media.

"The art of public speaking is one of the most important facets of life. Is Parkin trying to produce a team of robots capable of only following a football around?"

"Carlton fans are entitled to as much media space as other sides this September. Unfortunately, it will be remembered as football's answer to the Cold War."

Bring on '82

The 1981 season has officially finished for seven clubs . . . but 1982 is already under way.

St Kilda regarded their last-game win over Footscray as the start of their 1982 campaign and newly re-appointed coach, Alex Jesaulenko sees it as a promising start.

"The 1981 season was over months ago for us," he says. "So we had to finish on a winning note as part of our planning for next year."

Likewise, Footscray's coach Royce Hart is not worrying too much about this 1981 failure.

He sees a promising year ahead with a lot of their youngsters shaping up much better and some big interstate names — including WA's Simon Beasley — on the horizon.

"When I first came here we had nothing on the scene," he said. "But now we have built up our juniors and our under-19s show promise."



Brownlow betting

The market is really hotting up when it comes to betting on the Brownlow Medal. Currently we have Carlton's Rod Ashman as 3/1 favourite — but there are plenty of other contenders.

He is followed by St Kilda's Trevor Barker, Barry Round (South Melbourne) and Essendon's Neale Daniher all on 5/1.

Then we have Geoff Raines (Richmond) at 6/1; Bernie Quinlan (Footscray) and Michael Tuck (Hawthorn) on 8/1 and 10/1 chances are Tony Buhagiar (Essendon) and Peter Daicos (Collingwood).

. . . Barker's bounty

St Kilda's Trevor Barker has already picked up one major media award . . . the \$2000 Winfield best player in the Sunday Press.

Barker did not play in the final set of fixtures, but had enough votes up his sleeve to hold off any challengers.

He finished with 19 votes, one ahead of Leigh Matthews, Neale Daniher and Barry Round who shared second and third prize-money, receiving \$300 each.

● RIGHT: St Kilda's Trevor Barker gets high into the air to set himself for this mark in a recent match against Essendon.

Hudson again

Champion goalkicker Peter Hudson showed that his brilliant return to football a few weeks ago was no flash-in-the-pan when he went on another spree last weekend.

Hudson kicked 14.1 out of Glenorchy's total of 23.11 as they downed Hobart in the first semi-final of the TANFL.



JACKO THE JOKER

There's no stopping Mark Jackson, football clown extraordinaire . . .

Though less than 8000 people — out of a six-match total of nearly 200,000 — saw the Melbourne-Hawthorn game, they got more than just a football match for their afternoon's entertainment.

He brought the crowd to its feet in the second quarter when he goaled and then ran up to his opponent, Kelvin Moore and chested him toe-to-toe. Moore was completely bewildered as Jackson went through his arm-flailing act.

Jackson finished the charade off by charging back at Moore, swerving away at the last minute and then trying a handstand and a double-legged donkey kick.

He later flattened a goal umpire as he went for a mark on the line . . . as we've said before, never a dull moment when Mark's around.

CENTRALS BOW OUT

Central District bowed out of the finals race in the SANFL with one week to go when they were downed by Norwood.

Norwood, safe in fourth spot, thrashed Centrals by 59 points with their captain coach Neil Balme returning to the line-up.

Brilliant half-forward Michael Aish put in a seven-goal effort from the half-forward line and rover Greg Turbill showed that he has recovered from a serious knee injury to boot five goals.

Top sides Glenelg and South Adelaide showed the form that has pushed them to the top of the table when they downed Woodville (by 149 points) and Sturt (49 points) respectively.

SPORTS NIGHT

It was a big night recently at West Lakes when sporting identities Neville Roberts and David Hookes opened their new Life-style premises.

The spacious premises are the most modern in Australia and offer a new kind of leisure with a variety of sports activities.



Former Test cricketer and State footballer Neil Hawke, now well on the way to recovery after a serious illness, was presented with the club's first official membership.

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RECORD DAY

Last Saturday's round in Adelaide was the highest scoring in the history of the South Australian National Football League.

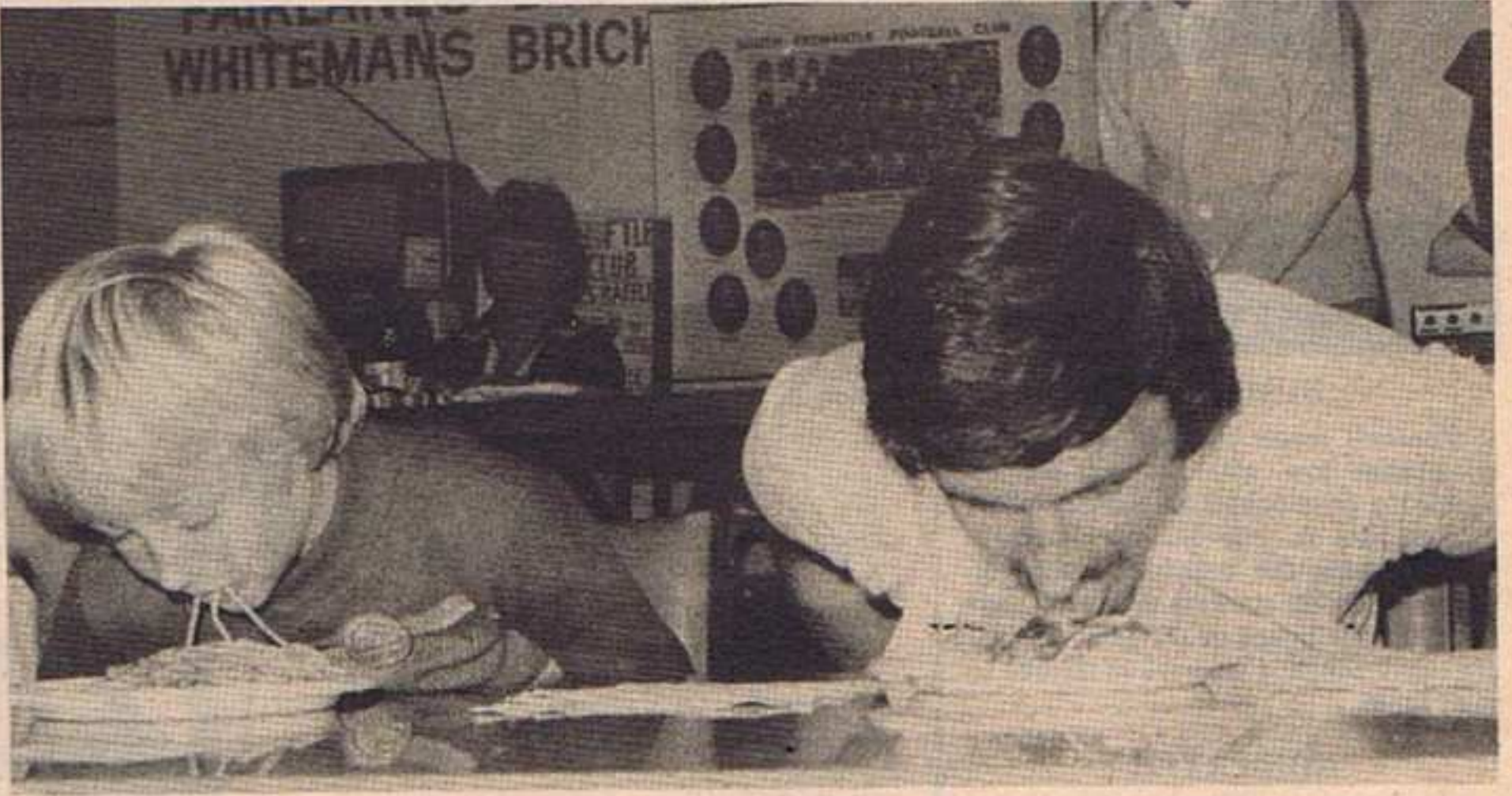
A total of 210 goals and 156 behinds were scored in the five matches, surpassing the previous highest tally of 204 goals and 142 behinds set in 1976.

DAY FOR THE PUPS

South Fremantle have a whole new generation of fans growing up in their Bulldog Pups Club for juniors . . . More than 300 youngsters are members of the Bulldog Pups and they get together with the league players for a number of special occasions throughout the year. Our photographer was on hand recently to capture some of the fun of the day when the league players got together with the stars-of-tomorrow for a few high jinx . . .



Paul Vasoli takes great delight in burying a cream cake into the face of Wayne Hardie . . .



Paul Vasoli more than met his match in the spaghetti-eating race when up against this hungry youngster.



This time it is a very serious Paul Mountain who gives Paul Vasoli the treatment.



Stephen Michael has a host of fans among the youngsters and here he poses with one young fan as others queue up for their turn.

Women at SA medal

Women have been invited to attend this years Magarey Medal count and dinner. The suggestion was made by triple medallist Russell Ebert, but it hasn't gone down too well with some of Adelaide's outspoken critics. Stan Wickham writing in Football Times said, "Next it will be women on players end of season trips. I would have liked to have been in the dressing rooms before last week's women's netball grand final, but I didn't make a fuss about not being allowed in. Maybe I will next year." "The Hatchet" (a distant relative of our Hood) writing in the same publication said, "Isn't anything sacred any more? I have never attended a dinner and I don't expect that I'll ever be asked." "But I have heard from players who have attended in the past that the evening offers them the opportunity to meet opponents from other clubs, some for the first time, and as a result great friendships are struck up. That's what football is all about." "But now women have been allowed into the act and things will never be the same again."

ATTENTION: ALL CLUB SECRETARIES

Following its successful introduction last year, WESTSIDE FOOTBALL will run a special section of advertisements similar to the example at right, for clubs throughout the State requiring players, coaches, officials etc, for the 1982 season.

The section will appear in our finals issues of September 11, 18 and 26 and October 2. A special rate of \$15 per insertion will apply. Advertisements may appear in all or any number of these editions.

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Full forwards break a long drought

The re-emergence of influential full-forwards has been one of the brighter aspects of the WAFL season which has often-lapsed into mediocrity.

There has not really been a full-forward in this State of the calibre of Warren Ralph or Simon Beasley since Austin Robertson dominated this position for almost a decade in the 60s and early 70s.

The fact that only one player has topped the goalkicking in WA with a century since 1971 shows how devoid the State has been of quality full-forwards.

A few players looked likely to take over Robertson's mantle, but didn't live up to expectations.

It is ironic that after such a long period without a really class full-forward, two have emerged on the scene simultaneously.

Probably the most exciting full-forward in the past decade was Murray Couper and it is worth noting that he topped the goalkicking on only one occasion and that was with a mediocre 63 goals.

Ralph and Beasley have shown this season that football can still accommodate full-forwards.

But it is interesting to note that only on one occasion since 1959 has a team with the leading goalkicker won the premiership.

That was in 1979 when Kevin Taylor set a new record for a rover — so in actual fact, no side in the past 22 years had taken off the flag with a full-forward who has kicked the most goals in a season.

Some may see it as an ominous sign for either Claremont or Swan Districts with both teams likely to play off in the grand final.

It is worth noting that on the few occasions both these teams have had an influence on the competition they have had quality full-forwards in Eric Gorman (Swan Districts) and Wayne Harvey (Claremont).

It seems certain that Ralph and Beasley will set new standards for their respective clubs by breaking 40-year plus records for goals kicked by an individual.

Of the two, Ralph's performance has been the more meritorious this season. He has had to contend with other players in the team capable of kicking big goal tallies, namely Brett Farmer and Steve Malaxos. In other words, Claremont have not looked for Ralph as often as Swans have been forced to use Beasley as a spearhead.

Unfortunately, both these players may be lost to WA football in the near future.

However, their rivalry last season and this year has injected the sort of interest in WA football that is badly needed.

In fact, one almost has to go back to the immediate post-war years to find a comparable situation when there have been at least two top full-forwards vying for goalkicking honours. A feature of both their play has been the way they have been prepared to fight for the ball. This physical aspect of their game, particularly in the case of Beasley, has made it difficult for other teams to contain them.

The situation is further accentuated by the lack of class full-backs in this State.

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MOTHER BROWN

Well, the finals are here... and I suppose many will say about time.

It's disappointing, to say the least, when the qualifying games drag out to a disinteresting end.

Just think... if Subiaco could have kicked on in the closing minutes of that East Perth game and snatched of the four premiership points, we would be in for an exciting finish this week.

FINALS TELECAST

It's time for the WA Football League to make a quick decision on the televising of this year's grand final to the country.

The early sale of tickets for seats indicates that there should be no real trouble in filling the ground.

In fact, it is a lot better having 45,000 people in comfort than 53,000 packed in at Subiaco Oval.

So perhaps the league could adopt a good public relations gesture for the grand final and announce at an early stage that it will directly telecast the match to country areas.

I just hope we don't have to go through all the annual controversy over the issue.

GOOD PRODUCT

The VFL have proved something this year. The weather doesn't affect attendances if the product is good enough.

Record crowds have attended the VFL matches despite the worst winter for 10 years.

It's something to make our administrators sit down and think long and hard about.

I just wonder if the character of our supporters in WA has changed.

It seems to me that the wet weather has never worried the older generation.

But with today's lifestyle, the younger people just aren't interested in going out in the rain.

MEDAL PRESSURE

One word about the Sandover Medal. Spare a thought for some of the leading contenders.

The pressure really goes on players such as Stephen Michael and Jimmy Krakouer.

The intense speculation about their prospects must have some effect on their games. In fact, I wonder sometimes how they put up with it all. I wouldn't swap places with them at the moment.

NAUGHTY SWANS!

I think Swan Districts scraped the bottom of the barrel with their nude picture advertisement.

If that is the type of promotion that has to be done for the players to get a trip overseas, it's better that they stop home.

I am glad that coach John Todd had the common sense not to be part of it. I considered it in very poor taste and most people I have spoken to agree with me.

It did very little for the image of either Swan Districts — or football in general.

But probably the worst aspect is the effect it could have on juniors. They like to look up to their idols. Let's give them something to look up to.

Manning finds time for the beach

Peter Manning would be found more often at the beach than at the football these days.

The former Swan Districts centreman decided to spend more time with his wife and young family when he retired from the demanding league football scene.

During his 201 game career with Swans he established himself as a player of great skill and now he dedicates his expertise to surfing or fishing with his family.

Although he has not been training for football during the last few years he has still maintained a high level of fitness and besides taking the family to the beach he spends many hours jogging.

It's not that Manning wouldn't like to be at the football every Saturday — it's more a matter of finding time to get there.

"I would love to go to the football," he says. "But I find that now I have got the time on my hands I can do the things which football wouldn't allow me to do when I was playing.

"Also it's frustrating not being out there.

"I suppose it's the same sort of feeling as when you are injured and sitting on the sidelines watching your mates battle it out.

"That's hard to take."

Manning, a sportswear distributor, had a long career with Swans, spanning from 1964 to 1975, and during that time established himself as one of the State's leading players.

He notched 12 State games during that time and says that if he was playing now he would have played in Victoria.

"In my day it wasn't the thing to do," he says. "Only Dennis Marshall and Graham Farmer went across when I was young enough to give it a go.

"It's not that I regret not playing in the VFL — it's just something I would do now if I was young enough."

There is little doubt Manning would have succeeded in the tough Victorian competition.

He was a player who possessed deft ball skills and a good turn of speed, and his greatest attribute was his never-say-die approach.

But like so many other top players who represented Swans he never played in a league premiership side during his illustrious run with the club.

The only premiership he saw at Swans was the reserves pennant in 1964.

Apart from that, Swans won the minor night premiership in 1967 — the year Manning first won the club's fairest and best award. He went to win the title twice more, in 1971 and 1973.

He played under some great coaches in his time and says it is hard to single one out as the best he ever played under.

However, he says that he has the greatest respect for Haydn Bunton and he looked on Bunton as the man who introduced run-on handball into West Australian football.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

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Peter Manning... still mixed up with the sports scene.

"Bunton was a first class coach who lifted Swans to three premierships and I also have a high regard for Fred Castledine.

"Castledine was probably the best motivator I ever played under," he says.

"And apart from those two, I found Ross Smith a top coach when I played

State football."

Although Manning doesn't manage to get to the football as often as he would like, he still follows the progress of Swans closely and is confident the side he established himself with, can go a step further than last year and bring home the flag.

FROM A COACH'S POINT OF VIEW

Colin Hopkins talks to East Fremantle coach KEN SMITH.

A 'first' for Old East

For the first time this season East Fremantle will go into Saturday's game without any changes in the league side.

The loss of players of the calibre of Tony Buhagiar and Kevin Taylor was severe enough at the start of the season.

The retirement of Doug Green saw the foundation stone around which the backline was being constructed disappear and finally captain Brian Peake called it a day and took off to Geelong.

When you average four injuries a week

on top of this, there are many reasons why any side will suffer.

This has been the plight at East Fremantle this season, a year that coach Ken Smith describes as the club's first development season for about four years.

"I was happy with the way we kept Claremont down to their lowest score for the season last Saturday," he said. "But I thought one of our best efforts for the year was in the first derby against South."

"The best aspect of this year has been the bleeding of such a group of talented young players.

"What we need now is a bit more experience to go with that talent. It is very important in any football side.

"Another encouraging factor has been the increase in self-discipline and self-motivation, which is now just starting to appear."

Smith is looking forward to the challenge of playing East Perth at Perth Oval. He says his team is just starting to gather confidence that comes with stability.

"I am confident that we can win on Saturday and emphasise that 1981 has been a much better year than 1980 for the club. If you can keep improving you will eventually reach your target — if you are prepared to work hard," he said.

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SANDOVER MEDAL:

CAN MICHAEL JOIN ELITE GROUP?

Will Stephen Michael become the eighth player to win the Sandover Medal more than once?

Can one of the Krakouers give Claremont its second medal in 30 years? Will Garry Buckenara become the first Subiaco winner for 40 years?

Next Monday night will tell the tale! The Sandover Medal was inaugurated in 1921 and the first nine winners were decided on a one-vote-per-game basis. A triple dead heat in the 1930 Brownlow Medal saw all State's adopt the present 3-2-1 system.

Nine times the medal count has left two players level twice — in 1935 and 1967 — a tie was declared, four times a count back system was used to find an outright winner and twice, in 1921 and 1929, the casting vote of the President of the League decided who won.

In another year (1963) one of the dead heaters was ineligible to win because of a tribunal conviction.

The closest finish in a Sandover Medal vote was in 1967 when Bill Walker (Swans) and John Parkinson (Claremont) dead heated with 19 votes.

Equal third, with one vote less, was Barry Cable (Perth), Lorne Cook (Claremont), Brian France (West Perth and Norm Cox (South Fremantle).

Next came East Fremantle's Fred Lewis and Perth's Bob Page, with 17 votes. In ninth place with 16 and just three off the winners was John McIntosh, of Claremont.

The easiest win was in 1932 when Claremont's Keith Hough polled 32 votes to double his nearest rival, Joe Munro, of East Fremantle.

Most votes polled by a winner was in 1937 when South Fremantle's Frank (Scranno) Jenkins won with 34, runner up was Subiaco's Lou Daily with 21.

The oldest player to win the medal was East Perth's Billy Thomas, who was 34 years old at the time of his win in 1929.

John Todd has the distinction of being the youngest winner (in open football), just half of Thomas' age, 17, when he won in 1955. Runner-up to Todd was Polly Farmer.

Todd and Jenkins won their medals in their first year in league football. But 1970 winner Perth's Pat Dalton was the most experienced winner with 212 games at the time of his win.

The most votes polled by the second placegetters is 25 votes (only 12 of the 62 medal winners bettered this total when they won).

In 1940 Subiaco's Les Hardiman and West's Popsy Heal each polled 25 to finish second to Cheeker O'Keefe.

Equal fourth this year was Bert Gook and Bill O'Neil with 23 votes, a tally that wasn't reached by 34 other winners.

Of the 62 Sandover Medals awarded since 1921 Perth and East Perth lead the

way with eleven each, West Perth have nine, East Fremantle seven and Subiaco, Swans, Claremont and South Fremantle all have six.

The only father and son to win the Sandover Medal had to be the Buntons. Haydn senior in 1938-39-41 and Haydn junior in 1962.

Subiaco's last winner was Bunton senior in 1941. The closest a player from that club has been since was in 1973 and 1948 when Peter Featherby and Jeff Smith were runners-up respectively.

Only once, in 1975 have three team mates headed the voting, Alan Quartermaine won with 16 from Peter Spencer and Ross Glendinning on 14, all from East Perth.

Three players have been runners-up twice but never won, they are Les McClements of Claremont in 1946 and 47, Mel Whinnen in 1964 and 71 and Graham Moss in 1977 and 78.

Duda in doubt for semi

Former East Perth goalkicker Archie Duda is in doubt for Wanneroo's second semi-final clash with Osborne Park at Perth Oval on Sunday.

Duda has been a dominant player in the WAFU competition in his first season in Sunday football. He has been playing at centre-half-forward, but an ankle injury two weeks ago will almost certainly rule him out.

If Duda does not play the Roos will probably play in-form defender Noel Knight in the key half-forward position.

The Roos are also worried about a virus that has left star rover Ross Parker lethargic in the last few days.

Parker has won most of the media awards after his best year at Wanneroo

Wanneroo finished on top of the premiership table after the improved Saints had led all year. The Roos, aiming at their fourth consecutive premiership, will go into the match as favourites.

They have pace, physical strength and tons of experience — Allan Shephard and Mick Fuller lead a close checking defence, Paul Hyde has been dominating the centre, forwards Colin Northcott, Trevor Heath and Parker provide plenty of goal kicking potential and ruck-rovers Mick Ray and Steve Da'Re are now nearing top form.

Osborne were thrashed by the Roos by more than 15 goals in their last game and it will take big efforts from captain-coach Gerard McNeill, and their fast, mobile players Peter O'Connell, Angie Papadopoulos, Brian Dawson, Nick Stanasis and Greg Schofield to salvage a win.

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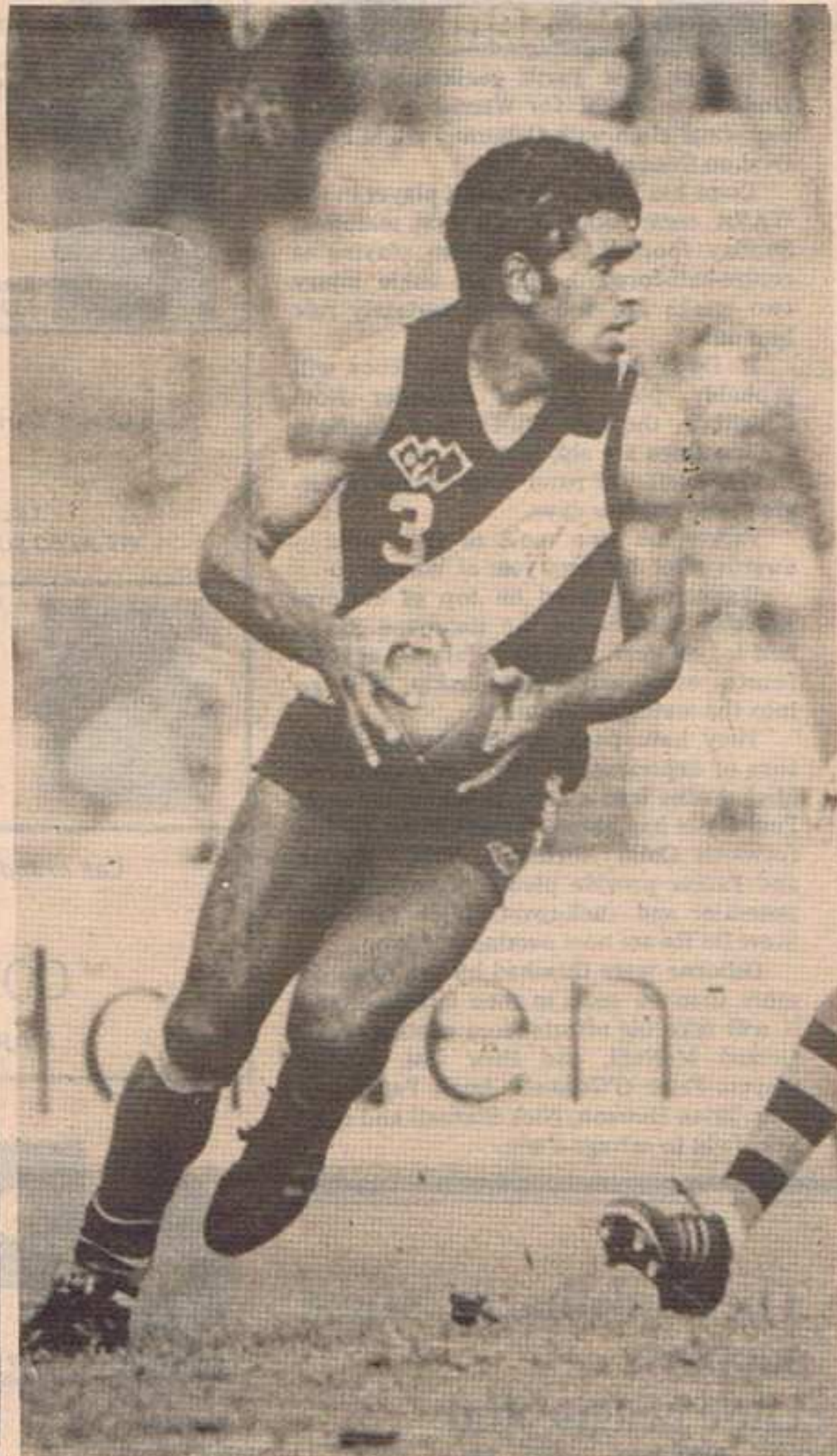
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PREVIEW

With Colin Hopkins

Big stake for Tigers

People who study the psychology of football have been having a field day this week.

The Claremont-Swan Districts clash has provided an array of theories on just what could be the result of this match and, just as important, the attitude of both teams to the clash.

Obviously Claremont have 35,000 reasons why they want to win the game.

Swans would like to exert their authority to prove that they can be masters of a football situation between the two sides in a game where a lot counts.

On Saturday it's money that counts. A fortnight later, and possibly a month later, it will be a premiership that is on the line.

But then the situation arises that one of these sides may have to beat the other three times in six weeks to win a premiership.

And that's what it is all about. Swans earned most of the money in 1980 — but South won the premiership.

This then brings about a situation where neither coach can be expected to show his trump card at Claremont Oval. Any coach that shows his full hand at such an early stage would be foolhardy.

I can remember East Perth's Graham Farmer making that mistake in 1977 by giving Stephen Curtis the job of tagging Robert Wiley in a qualifying game. Ken Armstrong had a counter ready for this tactic in the final round. The move worked in a qualifying game — but never came off in the final round.

A similar situation exists with the Krakouer brothers. John Todd has used Bill Skwirowski and Craig Holden to successfully shadow this pair in the last couple of years.

But, I can't see it really working in the final round because obviously Graham Moss has thought about the subject and has a card up his sleeve.

There are a couple of easy answers for Moss. Throw both Krakouers on the ball together (having Lindsay Kanther, Gary Shaw and Mark Watson around in 1981 gives him this option) — or change Phil on the wing (thus leaving one of the Nark-

les very much out of position, possibly in a back pocket or on a half-back flank).

It's all very interesting and that's what makes this final qualifying game so absorbing.

It's a question of just how far both coaches can go. Neither will want to go all the way.

Claremont should have the extra incentive to win this match. It may be a different story in the final round.

South Fremantle will want to win well against West Perth at Fremantle Oval to restore some shaken confidence.

South spent last weekend at a camp together and that time could only be considered a wasted effort if they lose this game.

West Perth can be expected to provide some stern competition because they have an opportunity to finish in fifth place.

South should have a decided advantage on the ball but they will be looking for a big lift from their forward line.

East Fremantle produced their best line-up for the season last Saturday against Claremont and it was no coincidence that they came up with a very competitive performance against a top side.

However, Old Easts broke down badly in the ruck, where Andrew Purser has played on one leg for the last fortnight.

East Perth can be expected to dominate this division and this is where matches begin and end.

Old Easts centre-line will provide a good test for the Royals. Kim Hetherington, Ken Judge and John Sims have all been in good form in the last fortnight.

Perth, lacking in experience, shape up to a Subiaco side that should be brimful of confidence at Lathlain Park.

This oval has never really been a happy hunting ground for the Lions, but it may be a different story this weekend.

Subiaco's defence looks too tight; they have an even spread of ability on the ball; and Peter Munro kicked seven goals from full-forward last Saturday.

SELECTIONS: Claremont, South Fremantle, East Perth, Subiaco.

GARY'S GOSSIP



Spencer for Perth?

When — or if — Peter Spencer returns to Western Australia he will not necessarily rejoin the Royals. My tip is that he could play with Perth in a deal with Wayne Simms going to North Melbourne.

OLD EASTS MOVES

Last weekend saw East Fremantle president Merv Cowan in Melbourne — so don't be surprised to see Victorian and South Melbourne centreman Mark Browning lining up with the Blue and Whites next year.

JIM IS JUMPIN'

Jim Sewell is under contract with East Fremantle and tied on a Form Four to Carlton. But don't be surprised if he lines up with Fitzroy next year. "Jumping Jim" is being chased by Fitzroy, who are believed to be prepared to buy his Form Four from Carlton.

JUDGE TO STAY

David Robb was in town last week and had discussion with Perth's Alan Johnson and East Fremantle's Ken Judge.

My tip is that Johnson will play with Melbourne next year and his club will receive three players and some cash for his clearance.

Judge, I believe, will stay at East Fremantle. He has just started a new job with Dunlop Footwear and Melbourne could not help him further his business interests over there.

So, Johnson to go; Judge to stay.

FAREWELLS

Saturday will probably see Mal Dobson, Brian Needle and Ian Thomson playing their last games for the Blue and Whites. All three have been serviceable players and East Fremantle will find them hard to replace next season.

ATLAS COMING BACK?

Former East Perth chairman, Harry Atlas, who retired two years ago, is tipped to return to an administrative roll at East Perth before the start of the 1982 season.

STAR OF THE FUTURE

One name to put in your little black book is 6ft 4in Earl Spalding, a son of former Perth ruckman George Spalding who is being sought after by East Fremantle.

As he lives in the East Fremantle district, he can play with the blue and whites, but can also play with the Demons under the father and son rule.

My tip is East Fremantle look like getting his services.

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GARY CARVOLTH

SANDOVER MEDAL GUIDE

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

AUGUST 25	West Australian	Weekend News	Sunday Times	Sunday Independent	TVW 7	6PR	6WF	6PM	6IX	Umpires
Swan Dist. v East Perth	Geoff Christian: Melrose (SD) Fogarty (SD) Turner (EP)	Robbie Burns: Melrose Beasley (SD) Otway (EP)	Robert Bennett: Melrose Beasley Campbell (EP)	Julian Stawell: R. Brown N. Taylor (S) Michael (SF)		Bob Hicks: Sutton (SD) Melrose Beasley	Ray Sleeth: Melrose P. Narkle (SD) Otway	Joe Fanchi: Melrose Turner Campbell		Morris/Rowe
Subiaco v South Frem	Ken Casellas: B. Taylor (S) Buckenara (S) Valli (S)	Michael Thomson: R. Brown (S) Cotter (S) Reeves (S)	Ray Wilson: Cotter B. Taylor R. Brown	Ross Elliott: Melrose Turner Otway	VOTING IN CAMERA	Alan East: B. Taylor Buckenara Valli	David Dyson: R. Brown Buckenara Polson (S)	Ken Inman: Michael Buckenara B. Taylor	VOTING IN CAMERA	Capes/Gillies
West Perth v Perth	John Sheterline: W. Simms (P) Menaglio (WP) Fitzsimmons (WP)	Rod White: W. Simms Menaglio Johnson (P)	Rod Lane: Menaglio McGuire (P) Johnson	Bob Cribb: Menaglio Gibbs (WP) W. Simms		Peter Van Helden: Johnson (P) Menaglio W. Simms	Eric Sarich: W. Simms Menaglio Johnson	Ian Miller: Johnson Menaglio Montgomery (P)	CAMERA	Buckey/Powell
East Frem. v Claremont	Doug Young: Sims (EF) Moss (C) Brenton (EF)	Peter Sweeney: Ellis (EF) Aitken (C) Beecroft (C)	Colin Hopkins: Sims Needle (EF) Ellis	Ross Nicholas: Lester-Smith Moss Norsworthy		Oscar Howard: Sims Aitken Panizza (C)	Ray Lawrence: Sims Needle Shaw (C)	Les Mumme: Sims Needle Reynolds (C)		Ball/Phillips

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PREMIERSHIP WINNERS



Pictured above is the North Innaloo 16s side who won this year's premiership. The club's 11s and 15s also won their respective grand finals.

BACK ROW (left to right): L. Timbrell (coach), R. Brooks, G. Delamotte, G. Wharton, A. Hawker, G. Toutountzis, N. Smith, R. Solar, C. Tanner.

MIDDLE ROW: D. Foster (v. capt.), A. Barbarich, T. Odea, P. Donatti, C. Nelmes, S. Spear, W. Spooner, A. Watson, R. Lee.

FRONT ROW: W. Lamb, P. Buchanan, V. Caifano, S. Garnett, M. Corry, P. Lloyd.
ABSENT: Michael Jackson (capt.), A. Davison, F. Gimm (manager).

CARDINALS MOVE INTO FOUR

West Perth moved back into the R & I Little League top four with a resounding victory over Perth last Saturday.

The Cardinals (represented by Girraheen) kicked 3.1 to beat Perth (Kensington) with one point.

Best for the Cardinals were Steven Milligan, Michael Marsh and Bradley Averill and Marsh, Alan Daniels and Andrew Young kicking the goals. Best for Perth were Andrew Vlahov, Mark Jones and Jason Brown.

Top side Claremont, represented by the Claremont junior football club, had to withstand spirited opposition from the boys from Jurien Bay, who were representing East Fremantle.

The Tigers won 2.3 to 1.1 and their best were Adam Lang, Brett Arbuckle and Joe McAuliffe. Sam Vandongen and Paul Hollick kicked the goals.

Best for Old Easts were Kevin Deacon, Troy Brice and Chris Colloran. Subiaco (Karrinyup) and South Fremantle (no club notified) had a tough battle before the Bulldogs ran out winners 1.3 to 1.2.

Best for Souths were Dennis Doak, John Puff and Gavin Greck. Best for the Lions were Darren Jones, Daniel Williams and Steven Lovell. Darren Jones kicked their winning goal.

East Perth beat Swan Districts 2.3 to 1.1 at Perth Oval. No match details were submitted to the WAFL.

R & I LITTLE LEAGUE PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pc	Pt
Claremont	14	5	1	384	145	265	58
Subiaco	12	8	—	371	190	195	48
W. Perth	12	8	—	347	261	133	48
E. Frem.	11	8	1	256	301	85	46
Perth	11	9	—	249	213	117	44
S. Frem.	9	10	1	243	318	76	38
E. Perth	5	14	1	191	367	52	22
S. Dist.	4	16	—	166	413	40	16

Demons Cup final

The grand final of the Demon Cup competition will be played at Lathlain Park on Sunday afternoon.

Second semi-final winners, Hornets will meet last Sunday's preliminary final winners, Bears in the match which commences at 2.30pm.

The grand final will be preceded by several junior council matches which commence at 9am.

Results of last Sunday's preliminary final: Bears 15.16 d Rams 4.8. Goals: Bears: Glenn Little, Drewe McPherson, Greg Maconachie 3. Best: Bears: Maunce Spotente, Ian Jones, Jeff Gummow. Rams: Roger Willey, Alan Boundary, David Rhodes. Umpires best: Glenn Little, Drewe McPherson, David Rubery.

SOUTHERN DISTRICTS TEAM

The following Southern Districts boys have been selected to train for the under-13 side to play Claremont on September 5.

All boys are asked to billet a Claremont player.

The squad is: P. Morgan, S. Childs, G. Pope, D. Betti, A. Powell, N. Foggin, S. Colbung, S. Tomasini, B. Henderson, Paul Gilbert, A. Smallwood, P. Breuker, J. Bartlett, S. Prior, D. Delacey, B. Higgins, I. Higgins, P. Ericson, T. Lazar, L. Blight, R. Hallett, D. Dixon, P. Salom and South Mt Barker boys nominated by squad coach Larry Dwyer.

THIS WEEK'S TEAMS

The eight league clubs will be represented by these junior teams in this week's R & I Little League matches:

Claremont (Cottesloe); Swan Districts (Swan View); Subiaco (Northern Districts); Perth (Southern Avon); East Perth (Coolbinia); East Fremantle (Langford); West Perth (Girrawheen); South Fremantle (not notified)

CONTEST TIME

Once again our country readers are to the fore in the Junior Quiz... this time all the way from Carnarvon.

Donny Hayward, a keen Bulldogs supporter, wins a beautiful Chesson football in his South Fremantle colours for having his entry drawn out of our barrel first — and with all the answers to Quiz No. 20 correct.

The quiz questions are all answered in various parts of this week's paper. All you have to do is have a close read of our columns to find the answers.

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

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The answers to Quiz No. 21 were: 1 — two, 2 — Radio 6PR, 3 — Carlton. The winner will be announced next week.



The action was fast and furious in the Swans-East Perth R & I Little League game at Bassendean Oval last Saturday.



IN RETROSPECT

DISAPPOINTING YEAR FOR CARDINALS

The disappointments of 1981 — that is a title the West Perth camp reluctantly accepts this year.

West Perth certainly qualify as the team who promised so much, but gave so little. At the start of the year, West Perth looked set to play a part in the finals. Now, with the finals a week away, the club is facing the fact that they are onlookers this year, far more disappointing failures than they were last year.



Len Roper... very disappointed

It has been a frustrating year; one in which the Cardinals' favourite coach, Graham Campbell, just didn't seem able to work his magical spell of words on the players. No matter what he tried, how he talked, the match-winning techniques of bygone years could not be recaptured.

The fluctuations were amazing. At one stage West Perth were down; then they would bounce back... and the thought of finishing the season in the upper half of the table was always there.

However, it was a disappointing end to the season that robbed West Perth of any prospect of making the finals. The loss of form has everyone baffled; there is no apparent reason for the decline.

But West Perth, traditionally one of WA's most conservative and also most successful clubs, will not be pressing any panic buttons.

There will certainly be changes in their administration with long-serving president

Len Roper stepping down, as will two of his able deputies, Les Day and Ron Bewick. All three indicated their intentions 12 months ago to retire this year. This will herald a new look on the officialdom side, but the old West Perth loyalty will surely continue.

The signs that encouraged Cardies fans to think big for 1981 came in the form of John Duckworth, returning from South Australia after winning a Magarey Medal, and a host of talented youngsters.

History now shows that Duckworth, troubled by injury couldn't quite recapture his best form. And, of course, a heart-breaking run of injuries suffered by many players, including the most talented youngster in the club, Dan Foley, took their toll.

However, West Perth didn't entirely desert their fans.

They produced some scintillating football, with their Foundation Day victory over East Perth before a big crowd at Perth Oval, coming from a long way behind. They also had a record-breaking 37-goal effort against East Fremantle that thrilled the fans.

President Len Roper feels that injuries were the key — and he his right.

"Injuries just kept upsetting our balance," he says. "Whether we would have been strong enough to match the top sides if we hadn't suffered so many injuries is hard to say. But I'm convinced we would have made the final four.

"We started to fall by the wayside as we promoted players to fill the gaps. We have even been using 16-year-olds to fill up the colts side.

"But we cannot use that as our only excuse. We do lack depth and that is something we have to work on. West Perth have quite a few promising youngsters coming up and we are still confident about the future."

West Perth had 10 first-year players this season, including several from interstate. They used 39 players in the league side and it was the senior players who seemed hardest-hit in the injury department.

Losing their No. 1 ruckman, Ben Jager, was a mortal blow. Losing talented players like Chris Stasinowsky, David Palm, Dan Foley, Geoff Hendriks and Neil Fotheringham produced gaps that were hard to plug.

Holden made biggest

impact

The success story at West Perth in 1981 was not a first-year player... but a footballer who broke into league ranks two years earlier.

Ray Holden was a 13-game player in 1979, but could only manage one league appearance last year. However, this year he was given the responsibility of holding down the full-back spot in the absence of the injured Neil Fotheringham — and has stayed there all year, with the exception of one game when he was sidelined.

Holden's football has matured and he confirms, once again, that some players take a little longer than others to develop into senior league players.

Among the first-year players at West Perth, the talents of youngsters like Don



Ray Holden... a success this year

Bonson, Dean Warwick and Wayne Dayman have emerged as their best prospects. None of them have been able to maintain consistent league status, but the opportunities will be there next season.

Newcomers in recent weeks in Mal Bennett and Peter Adams have also shown potential, particularly Bennett who looks a likely ruck star of the future.



West Perth's club doctor, Lyn Stoltze, is a keen watcher of football... even if she has to take this rather hard ringside seat.

Every club needs a strong panel of medical help to keep the players out on the football arena... and West Perth received a bonus this year.

Dr Lyn Stoltze rang the club early this season and volunteered her services... and since then she has become an integral part of the West Perth Football scene.

Miss Stoltze is keen to specialise in sporting injuries and the opportunity to work at West Perth has helped her gain a working knowledge of football injuries in addition to her current medical studies.

Miss Stoltze had her own practice in nearby Wembley but with the involvement at West Perth and her studies, she is now simply working with another doctor at Maddington.

"I enjoy the atmosphere at the football club," she says. "It's certainly beneficial

to be so closely involved with such a wide range of injuries."

The current season has given her plenty of work as West Perth have had more than their share of injuries. Miss Stoltze is down at the club at least three or four days a week... and in fact, she took part in a lot of the pre-season training with the Cardies.

At one stage the sports-loving doctor was showing some of the slower Cardies how to sprint over 100 metres!

West Perth now has a panel of seven doctors but because of her love for the sports injuries type of work, Miss Stoltze seems to be around the club just about all the time.

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IN RETROSPECT

SUBIACO CAN SMILE AT FAILURE

If a club can smile at failure, then Subiaco should have a big grin across their face this year.

For all intents and purposes, Subiaco have failed. They did not make the finals, which is the idea.

But for the struggling Lions, the 1981 year has been a highly successful one. Subiaco have come of age, there is no doubt about that. The doldrums of the mid and late 70's are gone, at least that's what the next few years should prove.

At the start of the year Subiaco aimed to double their wins of last season — they had two victories in 1980 and would have been happy with six this year; a 300 per cent improvement. They have now won eight games and with their confidence at an all-time high in recent times, they can make it nine this Saturday.

In fact, with a little bit of luck, the Lions could have been shooting for a place in the top four this Saturday. Just one extra kick here or an extra goal there . . . and it could easily have been a five-team race for the finals.



Kevin Merifield . . . satisfied to a certain extent.

Subiaco's improvement can be traced to two major factors — successful business man Kevin Merifield took over at the helm of their administration with a determined young band of committee-men. And Ken Armstrong, the top WA coach of the 70's,

was lured from Perth and given the job of resurrecting the ailing Lions.

Subiaco, this year, have introduced some brilliant young talent to league ranks.

They have promoted 13 newcomers to league level, many of them promising young players from within their own ranks. Others have joined the club from Victoria, where Subiaco continue to recruit players, but without any real success. However, it is part of their building and depth and, at least, their interstates have given them some benefits in this area.

And they have probably pulled off the local recruiting coup of the season . . . enticing veteran Bill Valli to join them instead of returning to West Perth after an injury-frustrated two-year stint in Victoria.

Subiaco are starting to think big now. They have looked at the possibility of re-recruiting champion Carlton ruckman Mike Fitzpatrick back and are determined to retain star Gary Buckenara, a player who, under previous Subiaco administrations, would probably have been sold off to Victoria by this stage.

The Lions have used 39 players this year — certainly less than in previous years — and only two or three youngsters tried out in league ranks have been unsuccessful in their bid to hold a regular spot.

Mr Merifield sees it as an interesting season; one that has achieved progress on the football field, but mixed with some disappointments.

"Before the season I optimistically thought we could win eight games, or conservatively, six", says Mr Merifield. "We have at least achieved the optimistic target and can exceed that this week.

"We have played with a lot more purpose and dedication this year and I'm exceptionally pleased with the way our younger players have matured.

"The influence of Ken Armstrong is certainly showing out. I'm convinced he is the right man for the job."

The off-field situation for Subiaco is not as good as it could be — but there have been some worse years behind and at least the club has improved its image.

The administration has tightened up the overall control of Subiaco and though the financial situation is still critical, they at least seem to know where they are going.

Keene best of top bunch

There are many success stories at Subiaco this year, but Laurie Keene probably tops the bill.

The tall, gangly ruckman won the Medallists Medal for the fairest and best player in the WAFL colts competition last season . . . and has transferred into a steady league player this year.

He played two games out of the first 11 matches — but then rocketed into the headlines with a nine-goal performance on his recall, and he has held his place since then. He shows great potential as a ruckman, with tremendous agility and the ability to read the play well.

Matching him for first-year efficiency is Ray Reeves, a former State amateur captain who has shown great maturity as a tough and tight defender. He has the capacity to fill any key role in football and should benefit by this year's move into WAFL ranks.

The club's most consistent first-year player would be Dwayne Lamb, the only newcomer to have played every qualifying match. He has slotted into a back pocket and given the resting rovers far more attention than some of the more experienced players around.



Subiaco's head trainer, Don Smith, keeps a watchful eye on daughter Sue as she gives big ruckman Vic Melville some treatment for an ankle injury.

A female in the Lions den . . .

It wasn't so long ago that men would have fainted at the sight of a woman in the change rooms.

But that is rapidly changing — and at Subiaco bank officer Sue Smith, is considered to be a part of the furniture in the rooms.

She has followed in her father's footsteps.

Don Smith is the club's head trainer and he keeps a watchful eye on his daughter as she tends to the players at training and on match days.

She has been looking after the players' needs for the last three years, after being among a group of student physiotherapists who wanted to become trainers.

Many left the course, but Sue stayed on and since then she has done her trainers' course — and according to her father she is going along very well.

Sue represented the State in junior softball and has forsaken her own sporting ambitions to spend a minimum of 10 hours every Saturday to act as a trainer.

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Wesfarmers COUNTRY ROUNDUP

SOUTH TOO GOOD FOR CAREY PARK

South Bunbury bounced back to the form which made them SWNFL premiership favourites earlier this year when they defeated Carey Park by 65 points in the qualifying final on Sunday.

The Panthers were only nine points behind at three quarter time, but had no answer to South Bunbury's polished football in the final term.

The Tigers piled-on 10 goals to Carey Park's one.

Carey Park led by seven points after the first quarter, but had failed to take full advantage of a three goal breeze.

South Bunbury moved to a 34 point lead after the second quarter because of a dominant ruck division. Ruckman Peter Old was clearly best on the ground.

Barry Jarvis kicked seven goals at full forward for the Tigers and at the other end of the ground Peter Upton kept Carey Park's sharp shooter Ray Witt under control.

Back pocket specialist Anthony White was Carey Park's best player. He was moved to a wing in the third quarter and his efforts there were largely responsible for the team's improved performance in that term.

Harvey Brunswick had no answer to the sheer pace of Bunbury in the elimination final.

The Maroons started well but gradually Bunbury pulled away, despite losing class ruck rover Ron Trezise in the first term with a hamstring injury.

Bunbury's centre-half-back, Don Rintoul, avoided a five week suspension because of a technicality before the game and relished his unexpected finals appearance.

He played strongly as did Peter Quartermaine at centre-half-forward.

Graham Jeffrey (roving) and David Morris (in the ruck) gave lion-hearted performances, but Bunbury had too much pace around the ground to win by 59 points, 20.22 to 12.11 and earn the right to play Carey Park this Sunday in the first semi. South Bunbury will play league leaders Mines Rovers in the second semi, in what is likely to be a rehearsal of the grand final.

OTHER FINALS

Wide margins were a feature of most other finals matches played around the State last weekend.

- Lake Grace 22.11 recorded an easy win over Hyden 9.13 in the first semi final of the Lake Grace-Kulin Association. In the second semi final, Kukerin 20.9 also had a convincing win over Kulin 12.10.
- Dandaragan put in a faultless display to win the Central Midlands first semi final by 37 points. Final scores were 17.17 to 11.16.
- Inaccurate kicking proved costly for Boulder when they went down easily to Kambalda in the second semi final of the Goldfields National Football League in Kalgoorlie. Final scores were 13.15 to 7.20.
- Brigades showed that they would play a big part in the remainder of this year's Great Northern Football League final round when they steamrolled Northampton in the first semi final. They ran out comfortable 57 point winners - 15.20 to 7.11.
- Ballidu were easy winners in the first semi final of the Mortlock Football League. They advanced to the preliminary final by defeating Wyalkatchem 21.14 to 8.8.
- One of the closest finals matches played around the State last weekend was the first semi in the Central Great Southern League. In a keenly contested match, Gnowangerup 16.21 beat Dumbleyung 15.13.
- Inaccurate kicking did nothing to help Bencubbin in the first semi of the Central Wheatbelt competition. Towns 14.10 defeated Bencubbin 11.15.
- Borden 19.10, defeated Kent 9.10 in the second semi final of the Ongerup Association.



Carey Park ruckman Peter Edwards (right) has the front position ahead of South Bunbury's Lon Buswell and Colin Jasper.

- Pinjarra recorded a comfortable win over Waroona in the Murray Districts Association second semi final. They won 21.29 to 9.7.
- In the preliminary final of the Fortescue Association, Paraburdoo Saints 12.9 defeated Tom Price Towns 8.18.

HONOURS SHARED

Ron Brown and Max Johnson have shared the football honours on the Goldfields.

Brown, the centreman for Railways, won the Rex Mitchell Medal for the fairest and best player in the league on the votes of the umpires. He polled 15 votes - one ahead of Kalgoorlie ruckman Peter Usher with Kalgoorlie ruck-rover Johnson third on 13.

Johnson atoned when he was declared winner of the \$250 Westland Autos footballer-of-the-year award.

SUBIACO SLAM KARRATHA CLUB

The Subiaco Football Club has slammed the Karratha Cardinals for playing three of their players without permission.

The three Lions - Tony (Spindles) Smith, Greg Davis and Phil Brown - have been flying up to Karratha to play in the De Grey league on Sundays.

Subiaco coach Ken Armstrong has said that he is bitterly disappointed with the trio and Subiaco's general manager, John Rose, has blamed the Cardinals officials ... not the players.

Rose said: "It is immoral the way the Cardinals people went about the matter. At no time we were approached by them."

"There is no way Subiaco would have given permission for the players to play with any other club on a Sunday."

Rose said that the De Grey league was unaffiliated, so the players would not be dealt with by the WAFL.

However, they had been severely dealt with by the club and embarrassed before their team-mates. They were all suspended from playing in the recent reserves game against East Perth.

The Cardinals had relied greatly on the three players during the weeks leading up to the discovery that they were travelling north each weekend.

De Grey Football League president, Colin Matheson, said that he was not opposed to clubs flying up players for matches as long as it did not interfere with their own interests.

Cardinals, coached by former East Fremantle player Danny Malone, was hoping to qualify the three players for the finals which start this weekend.

Cardinals are currently second on the table behind Karratha Kats.

Mourish misses out

A suspension received during the season has cost Mullewa's captain-coach Gus Mourish the J.J. Clune Medal for the fairest and best player in the Great Northern National Football League.

When the umpires' votes for the season were counted, Mourish finished out in front of the field on 20 votes but was ineligible for the award.

Subsequently, Towns rover Michael Page took the honour with a brilliant season that saw him receive 18 votes, three clear of Railways rover Mark Valli.

It has been a dream season for Page, a 23-year-old assistant hotel manager who moved to Geraldton from Tasmania at the start of the year. Page, who played with Cocee in Tasmania's North West Football Union, plans to spend at least another year in Geraldton.

WILLIAMS A WINNER

Tambellup footballer Ray Williams has won the Central Great Southern's fairest and best award for 1981.

Williams polled six first votes in his tally of 21 to take the award from Kojonup's J. Plietner, and Geoff Hall, of Australs, both on 15.

In the nearby Ongerup Football Association, the fairest and best award went to Pingrup's G. Paterson with 15 votes, four clear of C. Bell, of Jerramungup.

BARASSI COMING

Renowned Victorian football coach Ron Barassi has managed to fit in a visit to Esperance during his promotional tour to WA in October.

The coach of Melbourne will be at the Civic Centre on October 14 and a packed house is expected.

COACHING HELP

Swan Districts stars Gerard Neesham, Phil Narkle and Tony Solin were in Esperance this week for a special coaching clinic for juniors.

The four junior clubs in the town - Ports, Newtown, Esperance and Gibson - were allocated special times for the clinics.

CAVANAGH TOP SCORER

Former South Fremantle player, Greg Cavanagh has won the Upper Great Southern National Football League's Jack Johnson Trophy for the league's highest goal-scorer.

He won the competition with 61 goals from Rovers' Peter Naylor (57). Cavanagh, who plays at centre-half-forward for Williams, made a great finishing run in the award, booting 17 goals in his last two matches.

WILLIAMS WINNERS

The Williams club, in the Upper Great Southern league have competed the qualifying rounds on top of the ladder ... after suffering only one loss for the season.

They lost to second team, Towns, by one point a fortnight ago. That match was played at Narrogin's Clayton Road Oval, which hasn't been a happy hunting ground for Williams.

On form, it appears that these two sides may meet here again for the grand final and this venue should prove to be a great evenner.

The final premiership ladder was: Williams 68, Towns 52, Wickopin 48, Rovers 44, Boddington 44, Pingelly 36, Railways 28, Federals 24, West Arthur 12 and Cuballing 4.

Rovers meet Boddington in the elimination final this Saturday at Pingelly and on Sunday Towns will play Wickopin at Narrogin in the qualifying final.

Boddington prepared for this Saturday's elimination final with a good win over Cuballing on the rough Cuballing ground.

Cuballing started the game well to lead at quarter time, but Boddington eventually took control of the game and used handball to break up the play.

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HARD YAKKA

Getting your kick in when an opponent would rather you didn't is often one of football's toughest tasks... just ask Swans' ruck-rover Mike Richardson.

The dashing Swan Districts player was under plenty of pressure here as East Perth's Glyn Williams applies a tough tackle... but Richardson got the ball away and that's the main thing.

The effort earned Richardson our Hard Yakka award for this week and he receives a pair of Yakka jeans or trousers.



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Uni face tough task in semi

University will have to be at full strength to down Old Scotch in this weekend A league second semi final.

It should be a top match with both sides having youth, skill and plenty of pace.

Uni have more experience but they still have not combined together for a full 100 minutes.

Old Scotch, yet to beat Uni this season, with only 5 points difference last game, should have a better team approach this time and certainly could cause an upset. The loser will have the extremely difficult task against Nollamara the following week.

B LEAGUE

North Beach, facing traditional rivals, Scarborough, must remember 1976 when both were in exactly the same position and Scarborough (eventual premiers) won by two points.

The Tigers, despite the absence of a top ruckman, have enough players of class (including O'Mara, Lee Kong, Marwood and Ginbey) to out play Scarborough who will rely heavily on seasoned campaigners Calcott, Buscombe, Allen to create winning moves. They may find the bigger East Fremantle Oval hard to handle.

C LEAGUE

T.C. Claremont and City Beach are evenly matched, and it will be interesting to see if Teachers College Claremont will be at full strength over the school holidays.

D DIVISION

Innaloo should move to their second successive grand final by downing Commonwealth Bank.

E DIVISION

The Brentwood-North Beach (No. 2) clash could go either way. Brentwood, winners in their last clash, may start favourites with the loser facing Old Wesley (No. 2).

F DIVISION

Forrestfield, one of the fastest rising clubs, will find National Bank difficult to toss. The Bankers are contesting their first final for a number of years, missing the last two by percentage.

G DIVISION

Koondoola have to jump back to early season form to upset Lynwood/Ferndale. Koondoola after a minor coaching crisis are being led by newly appointed Dave Kersley, will not be keen to meet Scarborough next week.

H DIVISION

North Beach (No. 3) should find Coolbinia a more difficult proposition than their last start when they won easily. The younger Coolbinia are keen for a grand final place to erase memories of their premierships loss in 1980.

I DIVISION

Bullcreek and Applecross would both be worthy grand finalists, and a close game should result with Bullcreek favourite.

J DIVISION

Robbs Jetty, a most consistent team, will find Swan View difficult opponents.

K DIVISION

Carlisle should help gain club prestige by defeating Maylands, who have not played well recently.

COLTS

'A' Colts - University (10 times colts premiers), should go straight into the grand final by defeating 1980 premiers Mt Lawley in a top class game.

'B' Colts - Over the past two years North Beach-North Fremantle games have been keenly contested affairs. North Fremantle, 1980 undefeated premiers, should find North Beach more than a handful.



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'C' Colts - Innaloo should defeat Dianella and earn the right to meet Coolbinia in the top five grand final.

Forrestfield may find Hammersley difficult to defeat, and therefore meet Mt Lawley (No. 2) for the bottom five premiership.

SUNDAY DIVISION

The more consistent Graylands could move closer to their first ever premiership by defeating A.I.C.A. in the second semi final.

NOLLA TOPPLE WEMBLEY

Nollamara advanced to the A league preliminary final after beating Wembley in an exciting first semi-final last weekend.

The result was in doubt until the final siren and it was only desperate defence by Nollamara led by Tincknell and Greaves, that gave Nolla victory.

Wembley looked like stealing the game after booting two quick goals early in the final term.

Nollamara's 1981 club fairest and best winner, Colin Walker, held sway with excellent ruck work and timely marks around the ground. His influence was a big factor. Wembley's Payne, Goddard, Merritt Watkins and Hoar were desperate players in one of the best final quarters played in amateur ranks.

Nollamara's coach, Barry Pearson, should be satisfied with the way his creative players Porter, Smeath, Brendan Clark, Sullivan and Rettula ran on in the last quarter.

Wembley, despite positional changes by coach, George Young, and the large number of enthusiastic supporters in attendance now have to look to the 1982 season.

DIANELLA DISASTER

Dianella possibly lost all chance of being Amateur Champion Club with defeats by all three teams in the finals.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY

This trophy (inaugurated in 1972) donated by Western Australian Newspapers is won by the club (fielding at least one colts and two senior teams) who achieve most wins throughout the season. Two points are awarded for a win, one point for a draw, points are also given in first and second semi finals as well as the grand final. Two points are deducted for every time a member is found guilty by the tribunal of a reported offence, one point is deducted for non-representation at council or secretarial meetings. Some past winners have come from lower divisions. Wembley have won it four times (1973, 74, 76 and 78); University twice (1975 and 1977). Single winners are Carlisle (1971), Collegians (1979) and Innaloo (1980).

Fairest and Best results

Results of Amateur League Fairest and Best awards counted on Monday night.

A LEAGUE: Neil Fong (Nollamara) 28, Richard Joyce (Old Wesley) 24.

B LEAGUE: L. Collier (Morley) 16, I. Martin (C.B.C.) 14.

C LEAGUE: J. Farmer (Hammersley) 24, S. McNamara (C.T.C.) 18.

D DIVISION: L. Spryan (T.C. Mt. Lawley) 16, F. Wood (Teachers) 15.

E DIVISION: K. Withers (Uni.) 17, T. Gale (R & I) 15.

F DIVISION: E. Bottecchia (St. Norberts) 20, P. Harris (Greenwood) 15.

G DIVISION: D. Kearsley (Koondoola) 19, S. Lee Kong (Scarborough) 15, M. White (John 23rd) 15.

H DIVISION: M. Owens (Edgewater) 20, G. Hastie (North Beach) 18.

I DIVISION: P. Freund (Bullcreek) 18, W. Baker (Bullcreek) 14.

J DIVISION: L. Kelly (Robbs Jetty) 25, J. Beresi (Robbs Jetty) 20.

K DIVISION: B. McCaffrey (North Fremantle) 14, D. Clement (Maylands) 13.

A COLTS: I. Rakich (Uni.) 25, G. Ioppo (Trinity) 19.

B COLTS: M. Gill (North Fremantle) 24, P. Hill (North Beach) 18.

C COLTS: S. Hargrave (Forrestfield) 12, M. Selve (Dianella) 13, A. Perry (Takari) 13, J. Lawrence (Ashfield) 13.

SUNDAY DIVISION: J. Parsons (Fire Brigade) 21, P. Somers (Graylands) 20.

All results subject to official confirmation.

Top scorers

A League: T. Power (Old Wesley) 60. B League: G. Fathers (Morley) 111. C League: M. Doig (Wembley) 104. D Division: B. Hersey (Nollamara) 98. E Division: G. Blight (R & I) 68. F Division: K. Ditchburn (St Norberts) 45. G Division: H. Piotrowski (Koondoola) 62. H Division: P. King (North Beach) 80. I Division: D. Philby (Dianella) 72. J Division: L. Kelly (Robbs Jetty) 108. K Division: M. Hansen (Koondoola) 34. A League Colts: G. Dowland (University) 55. B League Colts: P. Gonnella (W.A.I.T.) 56. C League Colts: O. Kirkby (Ashfield) 37. Subject to official confirmation.



Perry King, North Beach's goalkicking machine gained his second league goalkicking title. Since 1972 he has headed his club's goalkicking list on 11 occasions (both D and G in 1977) amassing 611 goals.

Results

A LEAGUE

NOLLAMARA	4.4	9.5	14.7	18.11
WEMBLEY	3.2	8.5	15.9	17.11

GOALS: NOLLAMARA: R. Clarke 4; F. Glynn 3; B. Clark 2; B. Porter 2; D. Kiriakidas 2; G. Sullivan 2; C. Whittle 1; R. Rettula 1. WEMBLEY: P. Merritt 5; L. Palandri 4; P. Corbett 3; S. Wright 3; K. Kosovich 1; T. Langlois 1. BEST: NOLLAMARA: Walker, B. Clark, R. Clarke, Smeath, Sullivan, Ticknell. WEMBLEY: Hoar, Merritt, Johnston, Proud, Goddard, Palandri.

A COLTS: Wembley 23.14 d Old Wesley 9.4; B LEAGUE: University 19.13 d Morley 10.9; B COLTS: Scarborough 11.13 d C.B.C. 8.9. C LEAGUE: Whitfords 15.12 d M.H.W.P. 11.7. D DIVISION: Osborne Park d Nollamara 14.12. E DIVISION: Old Wesley 15.12 d University 7.18. F DIVISION: St Norberts 11.14 d Dianella 10.9. G DIVISION: Scarborough 10.5 d University 5.10. H DIVISION: Edgewater 10.10 d M.H.W.P. 9.14. I DIVISION: Osborne Park 18.17 d Dianella 8.8. J DIVISION: Mt Lawley 20.16 d Hellenic 6.10. K DIVISION: Whitfords 11.17 d Koondoola 6.9. SUNDAY DIVISION: Fire Brigades 21.10 d Hellenic 9.13.

C COLTS

TOP FIVE

1st semi-final: Innaloo 8.14 d Ashfield 9.5. Second semi-final: Coolbinie 8.6 d Dianella 4.6.

BOTTOM FIVE

1st semi-final: Hammersley 10.8 d M.H.W.P. 5.10. Second semi-final: Mt Lawley 13.8 d Forrestfield 7.12.

FIXTURES

A LEAGUE: University vs Old Scotch at Leederville. A COLTS: University vs Mt Lawley at Leederville. B LEAGUE: North Beach vs Scarborough at East Fremantle Oval. B COLTS: North Beach vs North Fremantle at East Fremantle Oval. C LEAGUE: T.C. Claremont vs City Beach at Bassendean Oval. D DIVISION: Innaloo vs Commonwealth Bank at Inglewood Oval. E DIVISION: Brentwood vs North Beach at Gilfraser Reserve. F DIVISION: Forrestfield vs National Bank at Carlisle Reserve. G DIVISION: Lynwood vs Koondoola at Robinson Reserve. H DIVISION: North Beach vs Coolbinia at McGillvray No. 1. I DIVISION: Applecross vs Bullcreek at Shirley Strickland Oval. J DIVISION: Robbs Jetty vs Swanview at Hartfield Reserve. K DIVISION: Carlisle vs Maylands at Hillcrest Oval. SUNDAY DIVISION: Graylands vs A.I.C.A. at Lathlain Park. C COLTS: Top Five - Preliminary Final: Innaloo vs Dianella at Inglewood Oval. Bottom Five - Preliminary final: Hammersley vs Forrestfield at Carlisle Reserve.

Facelift for headquarters

Amateur league headquarters (under the western three tier grandstand at Subiaco Oval) has undergone extensive interior remodelling.

Provision has been made for better secretarial offices, waiting room, club boxes, and an upstairs management and tribunal meeting room. Since July 8, 1970 the W.A.A.F.L. has operated in these rooms through the generosity of the W.A.F.L. (who initially contributed to the majority of the costs of building). The continued growth of the amateurs has led to the necessity of the new changes which were initiated by management member Steven Woodward.

Supporters of amateur football are invited to watch all W.A.A.F.L. finals. Games and venue allocation can be obtained by phoning league secretary Betty Goddard on 382 1293 office hours 12 to 4pm Mon-Wed and 11am to 3pm Thursdays.

Admittance into the final games is \$1 which includes programme.

UNI STILL HAVE THREE

University, contesting the finals in five divisions, still have three teams in after last week.

TOYOTA'S WESTSIDE RATINGS

WA's ORIGINAL PLAYER RATING CHARTS

Dynamic Claremont rover Jim Krakouer seems set to pick up the third round prize in the \$1000 Toyota-Westside Football Ratings award.

Krakouer has polled 48 votes from the six qualifying games played so far in this round — a brilliant average of eight a game.

He is four clear of the Perth pair of Alan Johnson and Wayne Simms on 44 and it would take an extremely poor game from Krakouer to be deprived of the \$50 round prize.

Other players to poll well in the final round include Phil Krakouer and Stephen Michael, on 43, Phil Narkle (42) and Ken Judge, Rod Brown and Grant Campbell on 41.

South Fremantle's Stephen Michael has a mortgage on the overall \$500 prize as he has stormed out to 148 votes, seven clear of Simms.

DEMONS PERTH

Table of player ratings for the Demons Perth team, including players like Ashworth, Peter, Baynes, Rhett, etc., with columns for various performance metrics and a total score.

BULLDOGS SOUTH FREMANTLE

Table of player ratings for the Bulldogs South Fremantle team, including players like Barrett, Rod, Begg, John, etc., with columns for various performance metrics and a total score.

The letters "I" and "r" will often appear on the lists and they represent "injured" or "reserve". If a player is injured during a match, then his rating will be based on his performance up to the time he left the ground. The same applies to a player who is a reserve — his rating will be gauged on how he performed during his spell on the ground.

LIONS SUBIACO

Table of player ratings for the Lions Subiaco team, including players like Armstrong, Gary, Bayens, Ron, etc., with columns for various performance metrics and a total score.

CARDINALS WEST PERTH

Table of player ratings for the Cardinals West Perth team, including players like Adams, Peter, Adamson, Brian, etc., with columns for various performance metrics and a total score.

SWANS SWAN DISTRICTS

Table of player ratings for the Swans Swan Districts team, including players like Beasley, Simon, Baker, Leon, etc., with columns for various performance metrics and a total score.

OLYMPIANS EAST FREMANTLE

Table of player ratings for the Olympians East Fremantle team, including players like Bell, Tom, Brenton, Leigh, etc., with columns for various performance metrics and a total score.

ROYALS EAST PERTH

Table of player ratings for the Royals East Perth team, including players like Allen, Chris, Amold, Paul, etc., with columns for various performance metrics and a total score.

TIGERS CLAREMONT

Table of player ratings for the Tigers Claremont team, including players like Atken, Mike, Blackwell, Wayne, etc., with columns for various performance metrics and a total score.

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WESTSIDE WINNERS



SOUTH FREMANTLE v WEST PERTH
BOB CRABB: I saw West Perth fall over the line last Saturday and with the finals here, there is no way that South Fremantle will allow them to be in front at any stage of the match.



EAST PERTH v EAST FREMANTLE
ALAN EAST: East Perth have achieved their aim of making the finals — and they need to beat East Fremantle in this game to get their act together.



PERTH v SUBIACO
FRED WOODS: Perth will probably be glad when this season is over . . . and Subiaco won't help them much by sending them out on a losing note.



CLAREMONT v SWAN DISTRICTS
MARTY McDONNELL: Swan Districts will not show what they are truly made of in this game . . . but watch out next time they meet!

IAN MILLER



INEXPERIENCE COSTLY FOR DEMONS

The difference between West Perth and Perth last week was that the Cardinals made much better use of their opportunities.

It was a much needed win to West Perth — but a game that the inexperienced Perth side should have won.

Perth had the major share of the ball — but they frittered away their scoring opportunities.

Two young players contributed to West Perth's win — Mal Bennett (two great marks under pressure in the goalsquare) and Peter Falconer (in his first game).

Peter, incidentally, is a son of Brian Falconer, who played with both West Perth and Hawthorn.

INJURY TOLL

West Perth coach Graham Campbell makes no excuses for his side this year, but he did point out the club had lost 12 players this season because of injury.

This contrasted with his premiership year at the club in 1975 when they only had two such losses.

Injuries seem to have taken their toll on all clubs this year with the exception of Claremont.

Perhaps they will have the same dream runs through to the grand final as West Perth did in 1975.

EXPERIMENTS

Success in most finals usually involves one of the key forward position players being a match-winner.

With the finals only a week away, it is interesting to note that all four sides left in the competition are still experimenting to some extent at either full-forward or centre-half-forward.

The key men for the final round are: Warren Ralph (Claremont), Grant Campbell (East Perth), Simon Beasley (Swan Districts) and Joe McKay (South Fremantle).

I wonder how long Claremont can afford to play Graham Moss at centre-half-forward?

If the Tigers lag in the ruck, the other possibilities are Baden Harper and Peter Jamieson.

Jamieson did an excellent job last Saturday and added much needed support to a flagging forward line.

NUMBERS UP!

One of the incentives to do well at the start of the season is to be allocated a jumper and number on the club's senior and supplementary lists.

It seems at East Fremantle this year that

some players have had their original numbers given to someone else after they have been either injured or dropped.

When those players have forced their way back into the league side, they have been unable to get their jumpers back.

Perhaps this makes a case for numbering of jumpers from one to 60.

LAST STANDS?

This Saturday's final round of qualifying fixtures could see a number of players make their final appearances in W.A.

Some may retire or others may head east.

This list includes Ian Thomson (East Fremantle), Ron Wilson (West Perth), Alan Watling (West Perth), Alan Johnson (Perth), Doug and Wayne Simms (Perth) and Gary Buckenara (Subiaco).

BRICK BOUQUET

East Perth general manager Ron Webster has come up with a novel fundraising idea — buy a brick.

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FOOTNOTE: Only 400 bricks are available.

VOLATILE SPOT

It was only a matter of time before a league coach found himself in hot water because of his antics on the coaching bench.

I'm not siding with Grant Dorrington over this — just pointing out that such benches are placed in volatile positions at many grounds — including Bassendean Oval.

Most coaches let off a little steam during a game and at Bassendean Oval both Dorrington and the reserve umpire were receiving plenty of abuse from the crowd. I think this indirectly led to the report.

Perhaps the WAFL and the respective clubs could organise a better area in future.

MEDAL TIP

My tip for the Sandover Medal? Stephen Michael for one very good reason.

There has been no player really taking votes away from him this season.

The same applies at East Perth to Dean Turner and to Alan Johnson at Perth.

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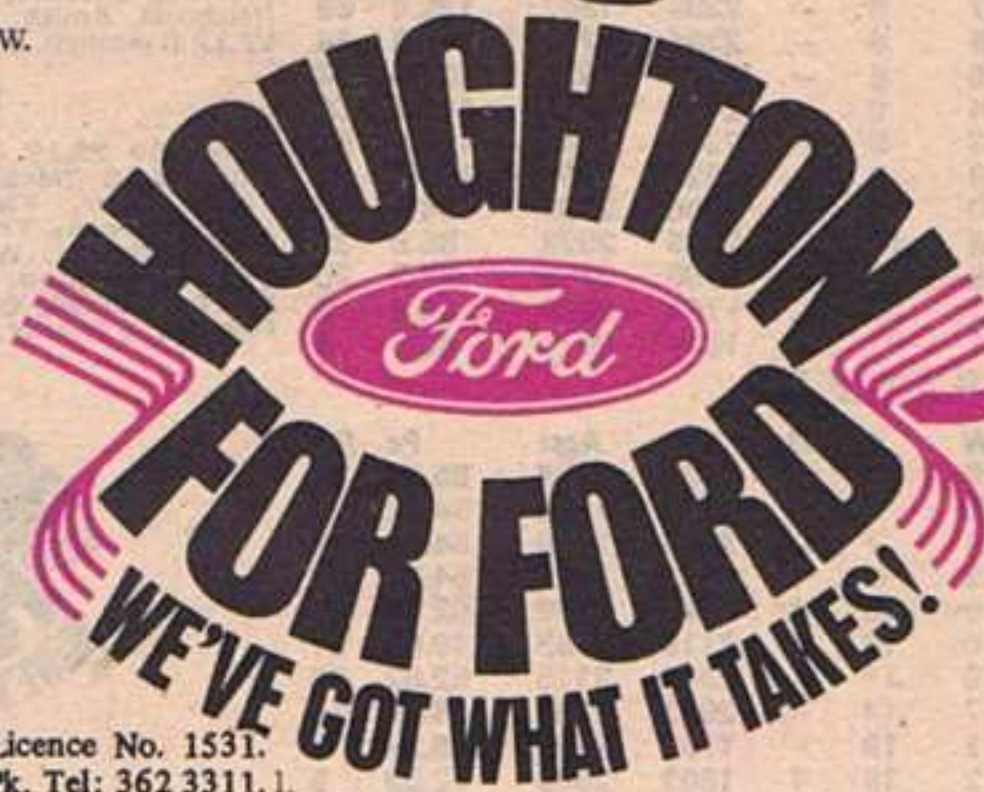


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