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DOUBT OVER NEESHAM

Swan Districts fans will walk a tightrope this week ... particularly as one of their star players is a doubtful quantity as far as seeing the tough preliminary final out.

Gerard Neesham will certainly be in the side for Sunday's do-or-die game against South Fremantle ... but will he survive?

Neesham badly damaged his left knee in the final qualifying game against Claremont — and in the second semi-final last week he was obviously hampered by the injury. Time and time again the rugged ball-getting star was trapped in possession as he failed to break away from the packs in his customary style.

Swans wouldn't dare go into this game without their fairest and best player of the last two seasons — but his fitness is a big question mark.

And if Swans get through to next week's grand final, will he still be fit enough to play?

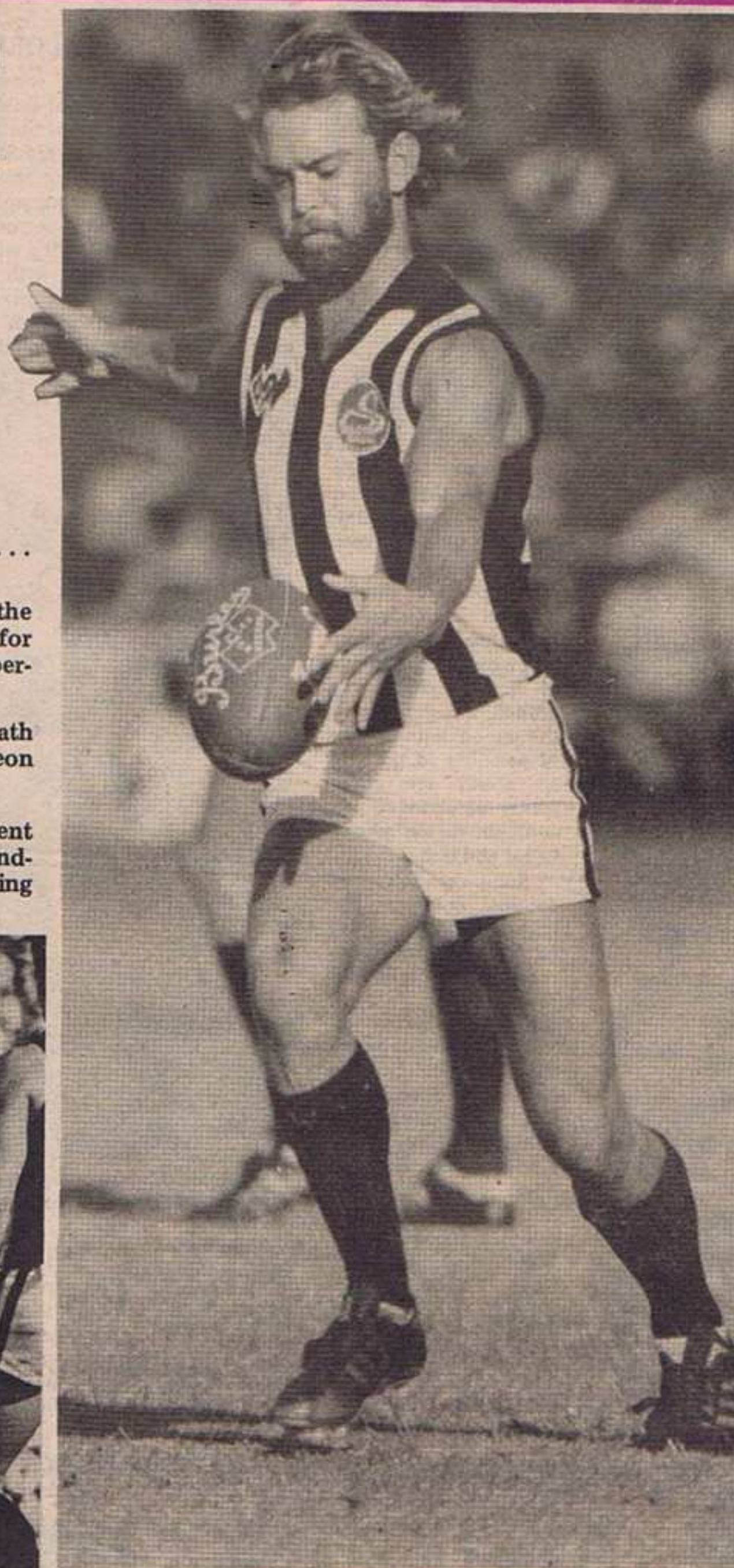
COSTLY DAY

It was a costly loss for Swans last week ... in more ways than one.

An angry coach, John Todd, fined all the players — with three exceptions — \$50 for what he described as a disgraceful performance.

The three who escaped Todd's wrath were Phil Narkle, Graham Melrose and Leon Baker.

A number of players were the recipient of some heated words from Todd behind-closed-doors after the game — including Darryl Sutton and Murray Rance.



Gerard Neesham ... a key man for Swans but how effective is he with a suspect knee.

LEFT: Whenever the going gets tough, Neesham is in the thick of things and here he has a few words with umpire Darryle Gillies in last week's second semi-final.



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REGISTER OUT SOON

The nineteenth annual edition of the West Australian Football Register goes on sale at the W.A.F.L. grand final.

The book, which covers the entire events of the 1981 season, is a must for all footy lovers.

As well as the day-by-day review of everything that has happened in football from last year's grand final till this weekend's preliminary final, the book looks into our football past.

All major award winners are listed with complete details, clubs 1981 performances and their past records are set out in detail.

Over 300 players have played league football this season. The Register lists them, together with their match tallies. The Country and Amateur football scene are also reviewed. There is extensive pictorial coverage of the major happenings of the season together with dozens of regular features.

The Register, first published in 1963 has expanded each year since and this year contains 242 pages.

If it has happened in football in the past twelve months, you'll find it in The Register, and at \$2 it represents great value.



MAJOR AWARDS

The annual Bull of the Year dinner is the highlight of the football media world . . . despite what they say about Sandover Medals and grand finals. This year the Bull of the Year — for the most outrageous, ludicrous, pedantic or comical comment of the week — went to Claremont coach Graham Moss . . . but more about that next week in Westside Football and the Football Budget. However, we must spring one leak . . . our own columnist, Allan (Chubby) Stiles took off a major award with his Chubby's Chatter . . . and we'll tell you why later on too . . .

GIRLS GALORE

Some of football's most glamorous spectators will line up at Subiaco Oval on Monday night in search of the Ampol Football Girl of the Year. Every Saturday a girl at the football has been spotted by the Football Budget's photographer and featured in a special Budget segment. On Monday night the final judging will take place at WAFL headquarters, with the winning girl taking off a host of prizes, including \$500 worth of petrol from Ampol. See page 11 for the beautiful line-up.

Picture special coming up

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Order your copy at your newsagency now.

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BROWN'S GESTURE

South Fremantle coach Mal Brown made a generous gesture recently when the Bulldogs held a special after-match auction. The ball used in that final qualifying match — which saw Tony Morley reach his 200th game — was bought by Brown for \$250 on behalf of the players — and then presented to Morley as a memento of his brilliant career with South.

BARTLETT'S FUTURE

Speculation is high about the future of football's ever-green Kevin Bartlett, the 33-year-old Richmond rover.

Bartlett's contract is up at Richmond and after 361 games with the Tigers, there is talk that he wants to move elsewhere for a new football challenge.

St Kilda are keen to get him into their colours and as a specialist half-forward he has plenty to offer.

But wouldn't it be marvellous to see his wiry frame go on and notch 400 senior games in his original colours?

MICHAEL MANIA

Talking about auctioning goods off down Fremantle way . . . At the club's recent dinner auction Stephen Michael's No. 25 jumper went for \$650 — and that's much higher than any of the prices paid for superstar jumpers in Victoria. Basil Campbell's helmet went for \$250 and Tony Morley's 200-game guernsey brought \$400.

MILLER'S MOTIVATION

Former football star and now media critic, Ian Miller, made a trip to Boyup Brook recently to talk to the players in the local Lower South West League club.

The club went on to win their second semi-final after Miller's motivation speech and reached their first grand final in many a year.



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TOP SHOW

Westside Football's champagne brunch on grand final day promises to be a great show.

If you are chasing a ticket in the grandstand for the big game, well why not make a day of it. The champagne brunch will get you in the mood with plenty of panelists to tell you all about the game; plenty of prizes to win and, above all, plenty to eat and drink.

Some of WA's top football critics — and current players — will be at the brunch, including the infamous Hood, our secret columnist.

The line-up of panelists includes Graham Campbell, Alan East, Chris Mitsopoulos, Wayne Harvey, Peter Poat, Rob Bennett, Tim Flynn, George Michalczyk, Wally Foreman, Rod Lohoar, Ray Wilson, Colin Hopkins, Doug Young, Ken Casellas . . . and many more.

For last minute ticket enquiries phone 279 4352 today . . . there are not many left.



Graham Melrose (Swans) and Phil Krakouer (Claremont) have eyes only for the ball.

V.F.L. GRAND FINAL

Next weeks special grand final edition of Westside Football will contain a special coverage of this weekend's V.F.L. Grand Final. A Westside Football team will be in Melbourne for the match and provide an exclusive pictorial and editorial coverage.

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.

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



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28 on 29th

Gerald Betts (C) 27 on Oct 5th

Dean Turner (EP) 22 on 6th

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Chris Stasinowsky (WP) 21 on 9th

Benny Vigona (SF) 23 on 9th

Brad Hardie (SF) 19 on 10th

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3rd Round: CLAREMONT (\$5,000)
SWANS . . . (\$1,500)

FORM GUIDE and THIS WEEK'S GAMES

PLAYERS OF THE ROUND

1st Round: S. Michael
2nd Round: G. Neesham
3rd Round: J. Krakouer

PRELIMINARY FINALS AT SUBIACO OVAL LEAGUE: SWAN DISTRICTS v SOUTH FREMANTLE AT 2.20 P.M.

1981 PERFORMANCES:

SWANS: W, W, W, W, L, W, L, W, W, W, W, W, W, L, W, W, W, W, L, W, L, L — 17 wins
STH. FREM.: L, W, L, W, W, W, W, W, W, W, W, W, L, W, L, L, W, L, L, W, L, W, W — 14 wins
1981 Clashes: May 9 (Frem. Oval) Sth. Frem. 17.19 b Swans 16.16; July 4 (Bassendean) Swans 19.20 b Sth. Frem. 13.8; August 22 (Frem. Oval) Sth. Frem. 21.22 b Swans 16.17

Reserves: Swan Districts v Subiaco at 11.40 a.m.

Colts: Subiaco v Swan Districts at 9.40 a.m.

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Time to shorten our seasons

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Life is constantly changing in this modern world, so can some changes be made to benefit our great game of football?

Before people start shaking their heads, remember that many changes have taken place since football started in 1858 and many have helped the game.

Eventually, the season's fixtures will have to be reconstructed — the season is simply getting too long.

At present with 21 qualifying games, finals, practice games, Escort Cup games, State clashes and sometimes end-of-season carnival games, players are taking part in over 30 matches. Some are finding it more difficult to mix work commitments and football, with so much early training.

One suggestion is to have 18 games, as was done for many years before without any trouble. This would make the season more compact; more chance of an even competition; easier on players, who have to stay in top form a long time.

This would allow Escort matches and State games on other dates and, eventually, a national competition.

Patronage

Clubs would not be losers going by attendances at some matches this year. They would have increased patronage with more intense competition, and could push for more interstate Escort matches in WA, plus look at new ideas and promotion of pre-season games.

Many players agree that the season is too long as they are not true professionals and put in about 10 months work, getting paid for just five or six.

Ian Stewart, the former South Melbourne coach, commented recently that possibly a break mid-season would refresh players and help overcome injuries.

There are possibly other ways that could be looked at to retain interest and add variety to the season.

Less players

Another change which may have to happen in time is getting down to 16 players a side.

Before saying that it can't happen, remember the kicking out of bounds on the full, the centre square, interchangeable reserves and many other changes over the years. Many people said that they wouldn't work, but they have and with great benefit.

The V.F.A. have been using 16-a-side for some years with good success. They have discarded the two wingers, but another way would be to drop out the ruck-rovers, who many times are second rovers anyhow.



IAN STEWART... suggests a break in the middle of the season.

If a coach wanted to use a ruck-rover at times, he could swing one in from a half-forward flank, which would bring in more tactics.

The game would lose nothing with two less players. In fact, it would be less congested around the ground, particularly at bouncings and throw-ins.

The centre square could be reduced, cutting out some of those easy goals that result from there and reduce mammoth scores.

Most players

Our game has the most players of any code and 18 were used many years ago when everyone kept their position. Since the run-on game has taken over, players roam all over the ground and take other positions. Having less players would make it more spectacular, with more skills, make clubs happy with less expense and would be easier to umpire.

In time, something similar will have to happen if we want to go national — and I'm sure we do — as N.S.W. and Queensland do not have big enough grounds.

It would also help junior clubs and country clubs where smaller areas are used.

One suggestion from Victoria, if you want to retain 20 players, is to play 16 and have four reserves.

Some will agree with this, some won't. Changes are always hard to implement, but it gives us something different to think about and if it was given a trial in the future, maybe we would be surprised how much more spectacular the game could be.

P.S. Possibly the only other item to stop football's further progress is the holding-the-man/holding-the-ball rule and this requires much thought by many qualified people.

Guest Columnist

Presented by **McInerney Ford**

THIS WEEK:

BOB MILLER

TVW 7 commentator



CLUB PROBLEMS

Clubs must move with the times and streamline administration as much as possible — and have a business-like approach.

As people in business have to take a gamble on buying stocks before a season to reap benefits during the year, so too do clubs have to take the punt and buy selective players to boost strength.

Otherwise club finances go down anyhow if the club is battling, through loss of members' support, and a general downturn throughout.

So it is better to gamble early.

Generally if a club has a poor season, the coach is blamed first. But in many cases you wonder if the administration have supplied the right material to work with?

Ron Barassi wouldn't think so this year with Melbourne.

Let's hope that our lower clubs can lift and make it an even competition as that is what draws the crowds.

Clubs need new ideas to boost finances and have used auctions to advantage. But they need to come up with ideas to make better use of facilities and grounds in the off season. Now that the W.A.F.L. have taken over some grounds we may eventually have to look at ground-sharing for matches.

Minus for some ..

I agree with Percy Johnson who recently said that our game needs more promotion on its good points, rather than being knocked on some bad ones.

Constructive criticism is good; destructive criticism doesn't help.

The game has stood the test well, which shows how good it is.

Unfortunately, a very small minority cannot see any good in what the W.A.F.L., the clubs, coaches or players are trying to do. They do not bother to find out the correct facts, which is annoying to all concerned, and it is hard to understand just what enjoyment they get out of the game at all.

... now a plus

One excellent idea has been the formation of the Football Media Guild last year, which now has an excellent membership.

The bringing together of newspaper, radio, and television people in an exchange of ideas can only help football and the media generally.

Facilities at some grounds are being looked at and one innovation has been the decision to put numbers on the front of jumpers next year, something that our VFL friends are now advocating. Nice to be first for once!

The big night of the year is on Wednesday October 7, when all members and ladies will gather for the annual dinner and presentation of the media Footballer of the Year plus the Player of the Future.

A WARNING

MEMO: W.A.F.L. Members Club. You have had many good members over the years who have supported you and looked forward to under-cover seating in the finals.

Now, I'm told, unless they are there at 5am on the day the tickets go on sale, or stand in line early on finals day, they miss out, which is very hard on the older members.

Obviously, you have many more members than seats, so perhaps a good idea in future, if possible, to negotiate for seats in the new stand. There are some people who should be entitled to first pick of seating for their membership.

The members area also seems to gain many more members for the finals, if all are members?

Knightly day ...

There was plenty of big brass in the WAFL's VIP area at the second semi-final.

Among the guests were five knights... Sir Richard Trowbridge (WA's Governor), Sir James Cruthers, Sir Frank Ledger, Sir Ross Hutchinson and Sir Charles Court.

All were guests of the WAFL, but Sir Ross also had another function that day. After the game he descended down to the newly-opened Football Media Guild premises to have a drink with the members of the football media world.

Sir Ross, a champion coach in his heyday and an outstanding footballer, is patron of the Guild.

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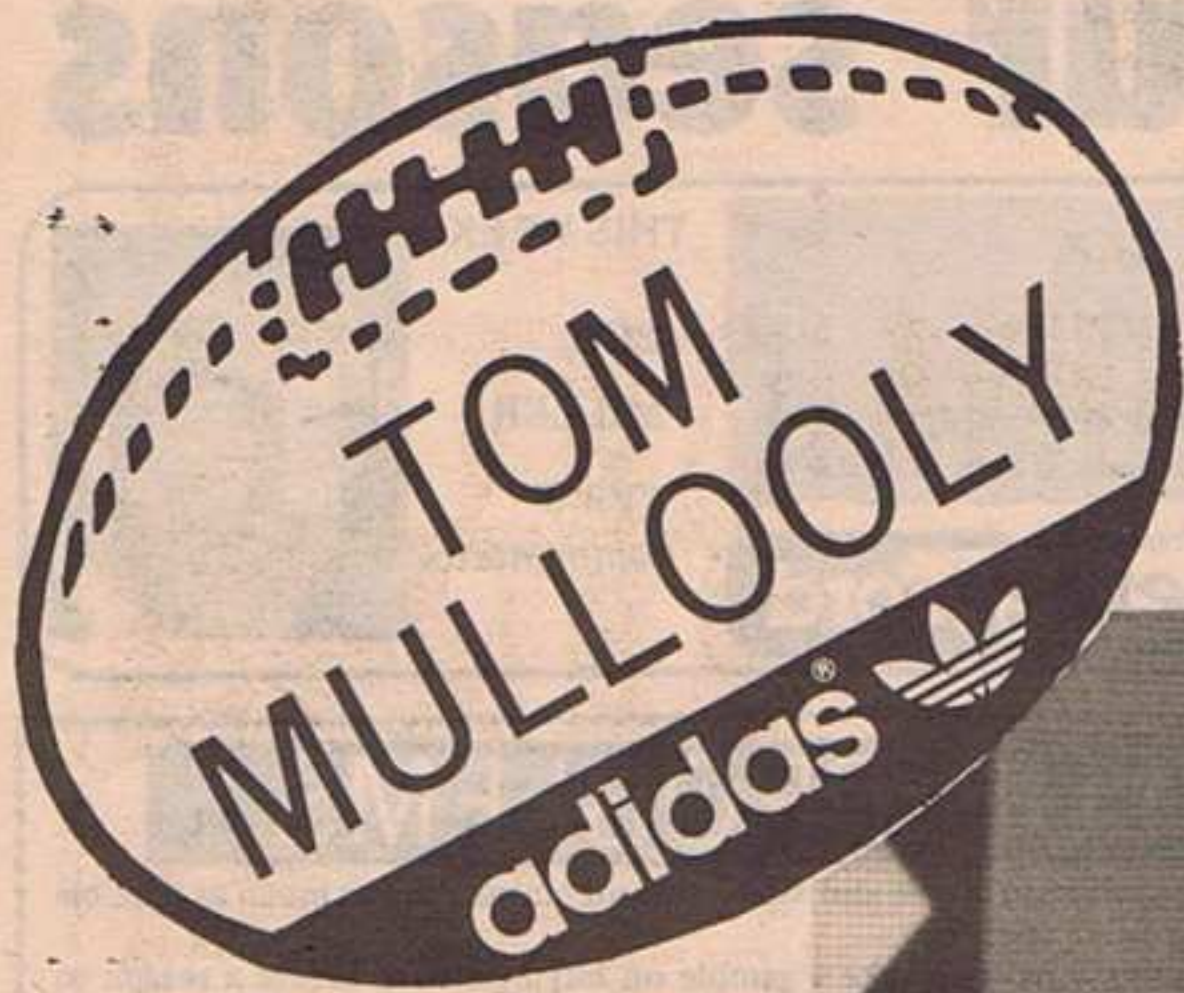
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Successfull at two major sports

Very few sportsmen have excelled at two major sports... but Swan Districts star Tom Mullooly is one who has reached the top in both football and cricket.

The talented defender is also an attacking player of another kind... a fast bowler in first-grade cricket.

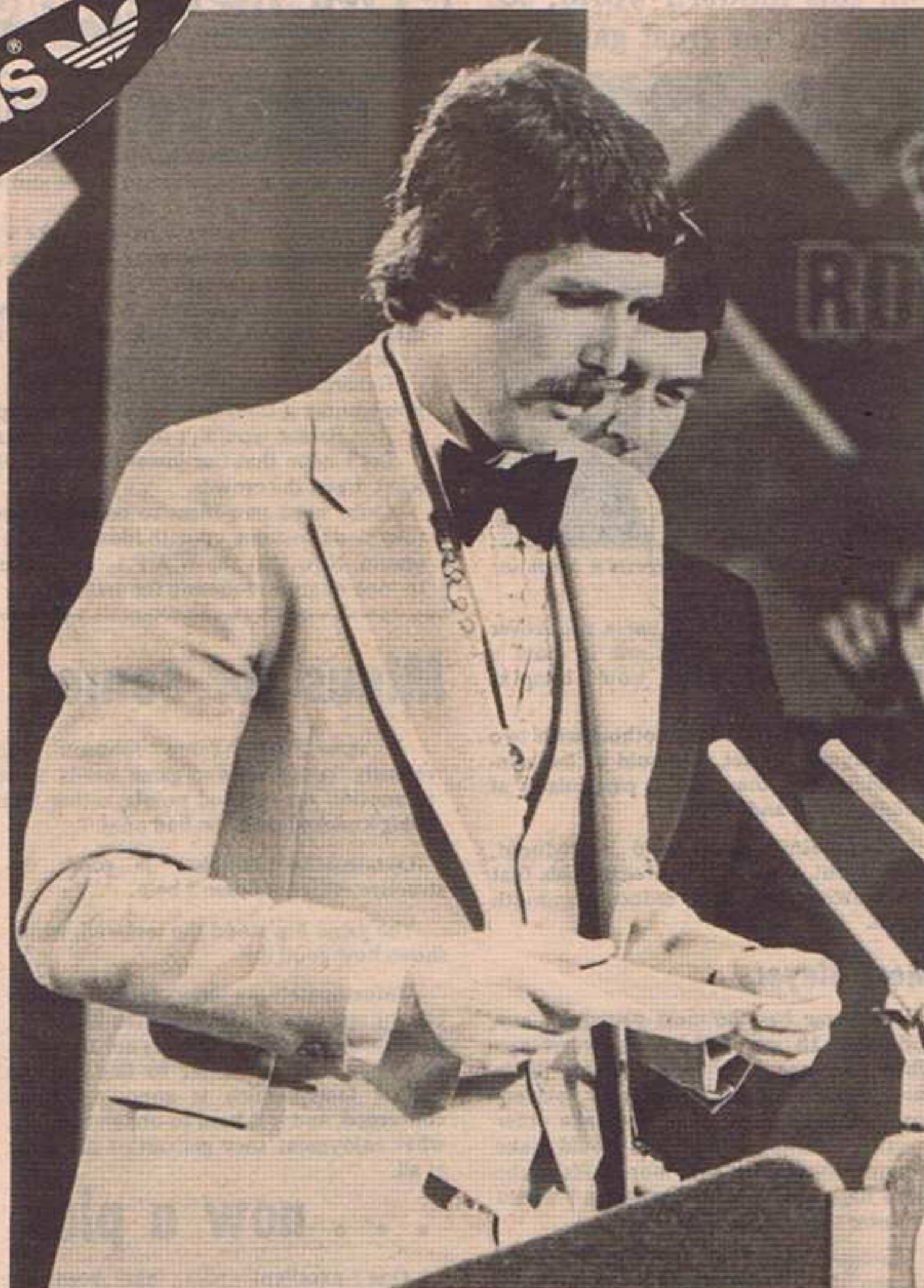
Mullooly, who has enjoyed his best season in football this year mainly because of an injury-free lead-up to the year, has represented Western Australia at both sports. His cricket with Bassendean-Bayswater has seen him be the club's leading wicket-taker on many occasions.

While Mullooly has managed to fit the two sports in over nearly a decade of active competition, he has had to fight his way back from a number of serious injuries. Many of his football seasons have been frustrated early in the year with nagging injuries and though he is a fitness fanatic, he wondered at times if he was ever going to get fit.

This year he has certainly shown that luck is with him in 1981. A solid preparation saw him slotted in to the full-back position and he hasn't looked back. In fact, it is one of the few positions that has caused any concern at Swans.

At last week's Swan-6PM Champion Footballer awards, Mullooly was acknowledged as the season's best full-back — an award that caused little argument.

This week football writer GARY STOCKS talks to Mullooly about his season...



Tom Mullooly proudly accepts his Champion full-back award at the recent Swan Brewery-6PM awards.

an influence at all. As you get older you tend to pick up small things in their game and point it out to them. But it's up to them if they take any notice of you or not. I'd say the coach has more influence on their careers.

Q: Your career at Swans began when things weren't too bright. How do those days compare now that Swans are again a force in the competition?

A: When I started playing in 1971 Swans were going through a re-building programme. And when Jack Ensor came along he had the players to work with and when he left the scene the club started re-building again and they were the hardest days of my career. It's really good to be at the top again and playing with an enthusiastic bunch of young guys who are here now.

Q: Swans went so close last year — can they go one step further and win the grand final in 1981?

A: I think so. I think we have the players in the right frame of mind this year as opposed to last year. Last year we were too cock-sure of ourselves and the younger players were over-awed by the occasion.

Q: How do you find playing against Warren Ralph? Do you employ any special tactics against him?

A: He's a good player. He leads fast and if the players in our side can put pressure on the players who are delivering the ball it makes my job easier. He's a good footballer — there's no worries about that. The only tactics I employ against him is try and play him close and restrict his scoring opportunities.

Q: Who has had the most influence on your early career at Swans?

A: Keith Slater and Bill Walker.

Q: What about at junior level?

A: It's hard to say really, because I had so many coaches and all of them picked up little faults in my game.

Q: What made you come to Swan Districts to play league football?

A: I lived just down the road in Bassendean and I always wanted to play league football for Swans.

Q: Have you ever considered playing somewhere else, either in the VFL or in Perth?

A: I had a couple of offers when I was younger from Carlton and Richmond, but they never eventuated. I kept getting injured.

Q: During your career at Swans you have played under a lot of coaches. Who would you rate in the top bracket?

A: I only played under Bill Walker for one year. I played under Jack Ensor for four years and he was a good skills coach. But I think the best one is here now in John Todd. I think the influence he has had on some of the players is tremendous. He also coaches skills and is a disciplinarian. This is his fifth year which is an indication of how much the players respect him.

Q: You said you had offers to go to the VFL — did you ever seriously consider making the move?

A: No. I don't think so. My form wasn't good enough at the time and when they're looking at you — you have to be in form and at that stage I wasn't in form. I think I'm playing better now that I'm getting older.

Q: A lot of coaches see cricket as interfering with pre-season training. Have you ever been placed in the situation where you have had to make a decision as to one sport or another?

A: Well actually, Toddy has never put any pressure on me to give cricket away and concentrate on football. We have a pretty good relationship like that. The thing is that the nights I miss out on pre-season training I'm at cricket anyway and I'm not missing out on any fitness. I might miss out on a few practice matches early in the year — but that's pretty good anyway because I don't like playing in them.

Q: You have the honour of representing the State in both football and cricket — do you have any regrets about your sporting careers?

A: I was disappointed I didn't go on with my cricket. But playing State football and cricket is an achievement in itself and not many sportsmen have done that.

Q: Now that you are one of the senior players at Swans, do you find yourself having much of an influence on younger guys?

A: I don't think I have had much of

adidas® PLAYER PROFILE

Name: Tom Mullooly.
Born: 30.1.54 Mt Lawley.
Height: 6.1.
Weight: 13.3.
Lives at: High Wycombe.
Married: Yes.
Wife's name: Kay.
Occupation: Wood machinist.
Football honours: State football 1973; fifth Swan Medal 1973.
Came from: Bassendean Juniors.
Favourite food: Steak.
Favourite drink: Beer.
Hobbies and relaxation: In between playing football and cricket, relaxing with the family.
Football likes: When I was playing in the forward line I liked kicking goals.
Football dislikes: Full forwards kicking goal on me.
Idols in football: Ken Bagley.
Hard things in football: Pre-season training.
Ambitions: To play in a grand final this year and win it.
Nickname: Mullaway.
Guernsey number: 30.
Games played: 189.

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Radio 6IX critic
Allan (Chubby) Stiles.

Chubby's Chatter

Watching the Swan Brewery-6PM Champion Footballer awards on television, I was disappointed with the attitude of Barry Cable, one of WA football's all-time greats.

The usually co-operative and knowledgeable Cable was very short on words to the point of being reluctant to talk.

When asked a couple of fairly pointed questions, all he could do was virtually grunt a reply. I sincerely hope that the Victorian syndrome of attitudes to other football States hasn't already rubbed off on our greatest hero.

Barry left compere Bruce Walker high and dry and it was only Walker's professionalism in front of the camera that carried the particular situation through.

All I can say, Cables, is that if you were paid to do that job you didn't really earn your dollars.

WELL DONE NED

Congratulations must go to Ned Martino, who is in his 25th year of service to the WAFL's umpiring cause.

Ned started with the league in 1957 as a boundary umpire and continued there till 1963 before graduating to a central umpire. He stayed in the middle till 1977 and then hung up his boots and has since worked on the Umpires Board.

Ned has been diligent and conscientious in all aspects of umpiring and, as such, has always had the respect of the players on the field.

Perth Football Club officials will be making an exodus to the playing fields of Victoria this weekend to have talks with many and varied players. Apparently they have a list as long as your arm, many supplied from the Melbourne Football Club who obviously want Perth centreman Alan Johnson, and from what I can gather, there are something like 11 names on the Perth list.

Don't be surprised if they approach Dean Herbert, who played with Perth back in 1976, but is currently doing well for St Kilda.

PLAYING COACH?

While looking at Perth, there is talk that they are looking for a playing coach. If so, I hope they choose the right person, someone who is willing to learn and listen.

I believe that Perth is still in the development stage and require a coach who works well off the bench and develops strength right throughout the grades. They need replacement players in case of injuries to senior players.

Don't be surprised if we have an influx of Victorians to fill the vacant coaching spots in WA next season.

GOOD EFFORT

Lindsay Kanther's effort in keeping Gerard Neesham quiet in the second semi final last Saturday was first class from my view in the Press box.

It seems as though Kanther was tagging Neesham all day and never gave him room to move. Not only was it his ability to defend, but the way he was willing to run and create as a link man brought about the demise of Swans.

Once he had finished his creative work, Kanther was back alongside Neesham and had it not been for Wayne Blackwell receiving concussion early in the game, forcing Kanther to the centre, I doubt if Neesham would have got into the game as much as he did in the third quarter.



PREVIEW

With Colin Hopkins

New look Swans for final

There is one thing certain about Sunday's preliminary final between Swan Districts and South Fremantle — John Todd will make plenty of changes.

Don't take any notice of what you read in the paper because Todd won't be giving much away.

He was very angry after the game on Saturday and don't be surprised to see a few shocks.

Obviously Todd will concentrate on some plan to get the ball out of the centre. That's where they fell down badly against Claremont.

Centreman Graham Melrose was the only player really doing something here. Ed Blackaby can't stand up to 100 minutes of football and Ian Williams didn't exactly look like a player in the reserves that could run out a hard match at senior level.

Obviously Todd will bring rover Don Holmes and ruck-rover Kim Trew into the side. They were very impressive in the reserves last Saturday.

He will be looking at generating power on the ball and this can also be done by bringing Craig Holden into the centre and releasing Melrose to rove.

Holden's position can easily be filled by either Gary McDonald or Tony Solin. McDonald would be my choice because he is more versatile.

Getting some punch back on the ball is what Todd's thinking will be all about and that means dropping a ruckman.

Ross Fitzgerald or Stan Nowotny is a better prospect at centre half-forward than Alan Cransberg, who can't turn around quickly enough.

Todd's tactics will be to use Alan Sidebottom to tag Stephen Michael and be content to let big Ron Boucher handle the centre hit outs.

Boucher didn't set the world alight on Saturday. But, considering his lack of match practice, it was an encouraging performance. He will be much better for that hard run.

I thought Swans were top heavy on Saturday. They have enjoyed their most successful periods with one ruckman on

the ball.

South Fremantle will be more concerned with finding a replacement for Joe McKay, who is on the sidelines once again with injury.

Coach Mal Brown will remember the success that Wayne Delmenico enjoyed at centre-half-forward in last year's final round against Swans.

That move could be on again on Sunday, with newcomer Michael Page taking over at centre-half-back.

Page couldn't have been more impressive at centre-half-back than when he went onto Grant Campbell in the second half.

It was a performance of note and one that showed that this young player will go a long way in league ranks.

South will look for an improved performance from centreman Maurice Rioli, who only looked a shadow of the champion that he really is in the first semi-final.

The loss of McKay removes marking power from the forward line and a lot of responsibility will be thrown onto Bruce Monteath again.

The half-forward flanks will be filled by either Brad Hardie or Neil Randall and Basil Campbell.

I don't think South can afford to have both Campbell and Randall together. This leaves them very little pace in the area.

Hardie has been down in form in the last three games but showed some of his sharpness in the second half of the first semi-final.

Swans have plenty of ability on the wings, though Keith Narkle would need to give a greatly improved display.

John Begg handled Phil Narkle well when these sides met in the last round but when it comes to Benny Vigona, anything could happen.

South are starting to hit their best form at the right end of the season. I think they are ready to go on with the job on Sunday.



Gerard Neesham gets a handpass away ahead of Alan Daniels.

JOHN K. WATTS
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commentator.



Hi there folks.

I must congratulate the WAFL on their promotion of last Saturday's second semi final. The full page advertisement on the Krakouer boys was terrific. In fact, the build-up to the game was the best ever. I just cannot understand why there were not more people there.

The absolute highlight of the day came for me in the third quarter and whoever thought it up should get a medal. Sending that dog out on the ground to entertain the crowd while Swans were trying to get back in the game was a terrific promotion.

It was good that it was a German Shepherd too and not a fox terrier otherwise the umpires would have been game enough to get rid of it and we would have missed all the fun. Which reminds me, what are all those blokes in yellow jackets paid to do on a Saturday?

NEVER ON SUNDAY

Now remember folks you have to go to the footy on Sunday this week not Saturday. I don't want any of you to forget to go to church first and all you chaps that go to the footy and get home at midnight half full of yeast and start belting up the wife please be on your best behaviour this week. Peter Bowler has agreed to open the bar for you but let's not overdo it. As I said a few weeks ago, I never drink on Sundays — between drinks.

NO BULL

I was very disappointed not to win the 'Bull of the Year' at the show put on by the Football Budget at Mamma Maria's on Tuesday. I hope you don't let me down with your votes for the Dorf Drip of the Year. You can win \$1000 if you tip the winner and if I don't get it, my mate Bob Cribb should be a certainty.

RADIO CLAREMONT

I heard in the press box last week that some of the boys have got a new nickname for the Radio 6PM football commentary. They are calling it Radio Claremont.

What with Les Mumme and John O'Connell doing the call and Tim Flynn, who is the official trophy presenter at Claremont, all in action together you have to be a superstar to get a mention if you play for Swans or South Fremantle.

It's like working with Bob Hicks if you are at an East Fremantle game or George Grljusich if Souths are playing or me if East Perth are out there. Who said the media was biased?

What did happen to Swans on Saturday? Toddy refused to tell anyone after the game. I knew all along that Claremont would be too good, but no one in their wildest dreams could have thought that Swans would play that bad.

I'm tipping Swans will make a big comeback this week.

Remember last year they got thrashed by Souths in the second semi final and when everyone thought they were finished they gave East Perth the biggest hiding of all time.

I hope Toddy does the right thing, when he wins and talks to the media, that should take the pressure off the players.

See ya folks.

SIDEBOTTOM IN STRIFE AGAIN

That volatile footballer, Garry Sidebottom, was in hot water again this week.

The former Swan Districts star has been lamenting in the Geelong reserves after being cleared in a six-figure deal from St Kilda.

But he fought his way back to form and was included in the list of 23 players named by Geelong for last week's preliminary final with Collingwood.

That's when the trouble started... Sidebottom was told on Friday night by a club official that he was 98 percent certain to be in the side. But because he didn't get a telephone call on Saturday saying that he was a definite starter, he didn't go to the match.

The Geelong bus left the club headquarters as normal and when Sidebottom wasn't on board, no-one worried because he was often picked up at nearby Lara. But he wasn't there, so officials thought he would be at the ground. Not so.

However, no-one is yet to confirm whether Sidebottom was actually in the team or not.

Sunday Press sports editor Scot Palmer telephoned Sidebottom at home at 6.30pm on Saturday — and after identifying himself, heard the big Cat say: "That's enough" and a resounding click.

Sidebottom was in trouble at Geelong six weeks ago when he was punished after an incident in the social hall. Maybe the Cats are keen to do some business for next year as well??

TICKETS ROW

The annual row over grand final tickets has erupted once again in the VFL.

With Carlton and Collingwood — the two best-supported clubs in the competition — in the grand final it looks like being a repetition of 1979 when scalpers had a feast.

The current rate for seating tickets is \$150 and standing-room admission tickets around \$40.

Thousands of tickets were handed back by several VFL clubs, including Collingwood and Essendon, but few went back on sale to their members.

PEAKE KEEN

West Australian recruit Brian Peake is keen to return to Geelong for the 1982 season.

The superstar from East Fremantle joined the Cats mid-season and though he didn't quite achieve his objective of playing in a VFL grand final, he certainly tasted some success with the much-improved Geelong.

Peake said after Geelong's preliminary final loss on Saturday that he would like to tackle a full season in the VFL, particularly being able to do the entire pre-season training programme.

"It's very disappointing to come all this way to play in a grand final and then just miss out," said Peake. "But the finals have been tremendous. I'm learning every day and it is my ambition to coach when I retire, so it's been worth it."

"I'd like to come back next season, but as I've only been leased for this year, I'll have to talk about it to the two clubs involved."

DREAM DEBUT

Noel who? was the question posed by the football world when Collingwood named their preliminary final team last Friday.

But it didn't take long for everybody to realise on Saturday that Noel Lovell was a player of the future.



The 20-year-old winger was named to make his VFL senior debut in the pressure-packed preliminary final — and he showed plenty of dash after coming on as an interchange player in the second term.

Collingwood have a habit of bleeding players in big finals games and if Lovell turns out as good as two previous players who have experienced that feeling — Len Thompson and Rene Kink — then his future is a bright one.

FEMALE CATS!

Geelong broke with tradition in an unusual motivational move on Saturday.

The wives and girl-friends of the league players were allowed into the rooms about 20 minutes before the game to wish their menfolk all the best.

Maybe it had an adverse affect as the Cats went down in the final term...

PLAYER MOVES...

There are plenty of player-movements being talked about in VFL circles now that the season has been narrowed down to just two teams.

Here are some...

* Melbourne are confident the fire-brands Brent Crosswell and Peter (Krackers) Keenan will play again next year... and they should have the injured Wayne Gordon back.

* St Kilda have denied that South Australian Milan Faletic will go back to Port Adelaide. He played solidly this year and has another year of his contract to go.

* Geelong's vice-captain David Clarke was left out of the preliminary final team and rumours swept VFL Park that he had quit the club. Only time will tell.

* Geelong's Nankervis brothers, Ian and Brian, could be on the move. The word is that they have just about run out of legs in the Cats camp.

* Big West Australian hopeful Ramsay Bogunovich could be forced to switch clubs next year. With Stephen Michael likely to join Geelong, the Cats have too many big men and a couple of their younger giants could move elsewhere for senior opportunities.

* Experienced Melbourne players Robert Elliott and Bill Nettlefold are likely to quit the league scene. However, they could be offered permanent jobs as captain and vice-captain of the reserves side.

HAFEY'S RENDEZVOUS



Collingwood coach Tom Hafey slipped out of town very quickly after the Pies had won their way into Saturday's grand final by downing Geelong.

And his move could be a good omen for the hapless Collingwood side who play their fourth grand final in five years, but still without a flag. In fact, it will be their ninth grand final in 21 years and they have lost them all.

Hafey was back in Shepparton, the place where his football coaching started successfully 18 years ago. He moved to the Goulburn Valley team after a playing career at Richmond and took the club to three straight premierships.

Now, after four unsuccessful attempts with Collingwood, Hafey has backtracked to his breeding ground as a coach and maybe it will be the inspiration he needs to get Collingwood's first flag since 1958.

PORT TAKE COMMAND

Port Adelaide look set to take out their third consecutive premiership following a resounding 54 point win over Glenelg in the SANFL second semi-final last Sunday.

The Magpies turned on a powerful nine-goal second term to take complete control of the match and went on to win by 54 points. Final scores were 22.15 to 13.15.

Both sides had players reported and Glenelg was hit by injuries to key men Graham Cornes (shoulder) and Daryl Rady (ankle).

Port defenders Trevor Sorrell and Ivan Eckermann were reported for allegedly striking Glenelg's Ralph Sewer in the first term, and Sewer was reported for striking back.

Both Cornes and Rady are extremely doubtful for this Saturday's preliminary final match with Norwood.

Norwood thrashed South Adelaide by 83 points, 19.19 (133) to 6.14 (50) in a disappointing first semi-final last Saturday.

GRAND FINAL ON TV

The SANFL grand final will almost certainly be televised 'Live' in Adelaide for the fourth successive year.

It was decided months ago the telecast would go direct throughout most parts of Australia but Adelaide viewers will probably have to wait until a few days before the match before a decision is made on whether they will be able to see it live.

O'BRIEN RETURNING

Central District defender, Michael O'Brien announced he was returning to Perth after four seasons here.

The 24-year-old O'Brien, who has worked as promotions and development officer for Central, is returning home for family reasons after playing more than 70 league games as a rover and back pocket.

He is tied to Swan Districts, the club from which he joined the Bulldogs in 1978.

STURT IN TROUBLE

Sturt revealed last week that it was facing its worst financial crisis since its inception in 1901.



It has a cash flow problem and is expected to record a massive deficit for the year ending October 31.

Club general manager, Mr Ross Tuohy, declined to release any figures, but said Sturt was "facing a very sizeable deficit."

"The rate of income has not been sufficient to relate to the rate of expenditure," he said.

The club has been forced to monitor its finances daily.

It believes it has exhausted areas to provide new income.

Mr Tuohy said Sturt was not alone in SA as a league club with financial difficulties.

He said a SANFL decision to change the gate sharing system, poor crowd drawing, games at Unley and Sturt's failure to make the finals, were major reasons for the problem.



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

REAR-ENDED

Just why did Stan Nowotny jam his knee — rather forcefully, I might add — right up Jimmy Krakouer's rear end on Saturday? The incident happened behind the play and out of sight of most umpires. At least, no-one reported it. But Stan was far from happy about something.

FAIR SWAP

Footscray are preparing to mortgage everything they can lay their hands on, including their Bulldog mascot, in a bid to find enough cash to get Swans' star Simon Beasley into their ranks. Beasley, the club's top goalkicker and runner-up this year to Warren Ralph on the WAFL goalkicking ladder, is definitely moving east about mid-October.

YELLOW PERIL

What was that yellow-coated man on the half-forward line doing chasing footballs all day Saturday? Every time the ball went out of bounds he jumped up and chased after it. Hasn't he heard about boundary umpires? It's little things like that which can be off-putting for everybody concerned.

FEMALE FROLICS

Are we trying to turn football into a girl's game? The screams from the crowd for Ron Boucher's blood after he stopped Phil Krakouer in his stride was like Romans at the Christians versus the Lions battles of bygone centuries. Boucher's shirt-front was quite fair, but — as some have suggested — just a split second too late. He looked as though he tried to pull up and maybe that's confirmed because Krakouer didn't suffer any damage. If Boucher was going to flatten him, he would certainly have done it properly.

PERCY'S POINT

Well-travelled coach Percy Johnson was out Kelmscott way recently . . . and told the audience that he had been approached to coach Old Easts. This was before Ken Smith departed . . .

WHO IS HE?

During Countdown to the Bounce-down on 6IX last Saturday, Gary Carvolth listed a long line-up of players he 'predicted' may not be with their club next season for some reason or another. I would like to know who Rod Lester-White is? He was supposed to be playing for East Fremantle this year according to Gary.

PR'S PLOY

Radio 6PR will go to any lengths to win recognition for their staff! They stacked the annual Bull of the Year lunch this week with all their staff in a bid to make sure that either John K. Watts or Robert Maumill won the Football Budget award. But, in the end, skill triumphed over everything and Tigers coach Graham Moss came up trumps.

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



Phil Narkle, one of the real stars for Swans.

Colts . . . a great breeding ground

The WAFL colts competition continues to prove to be a first-class breeding ground for league footballers.

The honour board for the colts fairest and best winner — the Medallists Medal — boasts some big names in league football this year.

In 1974, dashing Subiaco wingman, Neil Taylor won the award.

Taylor completed his best season in league football this year and was one of the major contributors in the Lions' rise as a competitive side.

He capped off a good season when selected in the State squad for the South Australian game.

A year later, State and Swan Districts utility player, Craig Holden won the medal.

Holden, who was given the task of tagging brilliant Claremont sharp-shooter Steve Malaxos in last week's second semi-final has been a consistent performer for his club throughout the year.

He effectively restricted Malaxos to one goal in the vital clash on Saturday and it wasn't his fault that Swans lost the game.

He played strongly in the State match against South Australia and enhanced his reputation as one of the best defenders in the business.

In 1976, nuggety East Perth star, Tony Capriotti polled enough votes to win the award.

Although Capriotti hasn't really gone on with the job in league football he is making his presence felt in amateur ranks.

The following year, the magical Phil Narkle was the recipient of the medal.

Football fans saw Narkle at his best in Saturday's second semi-final and he gave Swans plenty of drive from his wing.



Stasinowsky

Keene

At the tender age of 20 he has already notched up 78 appearances for his club.

Brilliant West Perth half-forward, Chris Stasinowsky was the winner in 1978.

He has gone on to become one of the most damaging players in league football, although injuries hampered his performances during season '81.

He has an outstanding leap, a strong pair of hands and is an accurate kick.

John Bengough, who won the Medallists Medal in 1979, made four league appearances for Subiaco this season.

He hasn't really adapted to league football as yet, but in his short career he has displayed great talent.

Tall Subiaco forward-ruckman, Laurie Keene, who has developed into an outstanding young player this year, won the Medal in 1980.

He has shown the ability to take strong marks and will play a key role in his club's quest for further improvement in 1982.

David O'Connell, the Claremont player who won the Medal this season, joins an elite group of players and all indications are that he will become a great player in West Australian football.

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Warren Ralph



PRESSURE GOALS

The value of goals kicked in the closing minutes of a quarter were never better illustrated than Jim Krakouer's hat-trick against Swans. In the dying minutes of the second term, with Swans holding a fairly comfortable lead, Krakouer kicked his team's 5th, 6th and 7th goals in the space of seven minutes. At half-time the Tigers were in front, which had a big psychological bearing on their football — and dulled Swans' recovery powers.

EASY DOES IT

The easiest goal of the day went to a back pocket player — Phil Krakouer, would you believe. The champion rover or half-forward was doing a turn of duty in defence and had drifted right down-field, accompanied by his marksman Don Langsford, and suddenly found himself in the goal square reading a ball coming off the back of the pack. It landed in his arms and he casually turned around and booted it high into the crowd . . . and jogged back to defence.

GREAT START

Promising first-year player Leon Baker had a great opening to the second semi-final. The South Bunbury recruit, who kicked more than 100 goals in the SWNFL last season at centre-half-



forward, showed his goalkicking prowess with a couple of clever goals. His second — and Swans' 5th — came up when he got caught with the ball, shot out a handpass, recovered to accept another handpass and then ducked a tackle and snapped for goal in between a couple of Claremont defenders.

SNAPPY STAR

Claremont rover Jim Krakouer is no slouch around the goals — as his 10th for the Tigers indicated. Krakouer had grabbed the ball just off the goalsquare and managed to get a boot to it as he was slung to the ground. The ball went high in the air and came down just centimetres inside the goal-line.

FINALS GOALSCORERS

Bruce Monteath (SF)	9.2
Jim Krakouer (C)	4.5
Warren Ralph (C)	4.2
Grant Campbell (EP)	4.0
Paul Arnold (EP)	3.0
Brad Hardie (SF)	2.3
Leon Baker (SD)	2.2
Allan Sidebottom (SD)	2.1
Ron Boucher (SD)	2.0
Noel Carter (SF)	2.0
Wayne Otway (EP)	2.0

BENNETT'S BURST

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Never on a Sunday?

Have football administrators in this State made a real gaff by playing the preliminary final on a Sunday?

I know there are some who voted for the record-making decision who probably would not show the same sentiment if it was decided now.

No doubt the league will be keeping its fingers crossed that the match will be a success in regard to attendances.

There is no reason why it shouldn't be. In fact, appetites may be whetted from the direct telecast of the VFL grand final on the Saturday.

But how fair is it to the teams playing in this match?

I expect the preliminary final between Swan Districts and South Fremantle to be a bruising affair. But the winner will have only six days in which to recover, as against a fortnight by Claremont.

And it is this factor, I know, that is bugging some officials and players in these two teams clashing on Sunday.

Both clubs have a number of players who could be classed as suspect and will need all the time they can get if their clubs should win the preliminary final — and go into the grand final.

The main reason given for playing the preliminary final on Sunday was to accommodate the VFL grand final. From feedback I've had, hundreds of people have certainly taken advantage of the opportunity of seeing the VFL grand final.

More than 1000 people in WA have booked VFL excursions and a significant number will return in time for the WAFL preliminary final.

Ansett sales manager, Geoff Court — a son of the Premier, Sir Charles Court — said that his company alone had more than 600 bookings. The promotion launched by his airline in the sponsors' lounge of the East Perth Football Club earlier this year has been a resounding success.

It remains to be seen whether it will have an adverse affect on WA football by playing the preliminary final on Sunday.

While it is likely to be an emotional occasion if Claremont win only their fifth premiership — and second since 1940; they won in 1964 — it will not do football any good if they meet a team of crocks in the grand final.

It is surprising what an extra day can make regarding injuries.

Certainly it can be argued that the final round format is designed to give the top team the benefit of the system — two matches in only a month to the winner of the second semi-final is proof of that. But why provide an even greater advantage?

In all fairness, the WAFL, by putting the preliminary final on a Sunday, should also play the grand final on a Sunday.

Another aspect that seems to have been overlooked is that by playing the match on a Sunday the league has short-changed itself on publicity. Saturday and Sunday papers, instead of being full of the preliminary final, will be choked with details of the VFL grand final.

There is a certain irony in this as the league has decided to take out full page advertisements for the finals. It obviously believes that there is a need, or advantage, in such a promotion. Yet it has stepped aside in favour of the VFL this weekend.

The WAFL has virtually conceded the fact that the VFL grand final is the major sporting event in Australia this weekend.

In other words, it has allowed the VFL grand final to occupy the football attention this Saturday.

Considered all round, there appears to be more disadvantages than advantages in playing the preliminary final this Sunday.

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Jack Sweet



Lloyd Zampatti

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the announcement of the Special Award by the Swan Brewery's chief executive Mr Lloyd Zampatti.

This year it was veteran footballer, coach and radio commentator Jack Sweet who was the recipient of the honour of having a special positional award named after him... the centre-half-back award.

Other former champions honoured in similar fashion are Barry Cable, Mel Whinnen, Graham Farmer, Ted Kilmurray and Mick Cronin.

FEMALES ON THE MOVE

Westside Football has received its first petition...

The women readers have decided to take us up on our suggestion to help form a women's football league.

The last male bastions are now down; we've got women in changerooms; women at the Sandover Medal; women umpires... so we might as well have women footballers!

Jenny Bempasciuto, of Lockridge, has written asking us to help keep the women's

football league idea rolling along — and she has sent a petition with 30 female signatures... all wanting to play football in 1982.

Jenny, who admits to being a lover of the rough, physical art of football and plays it whenever she can, is a keen West Perth fan.

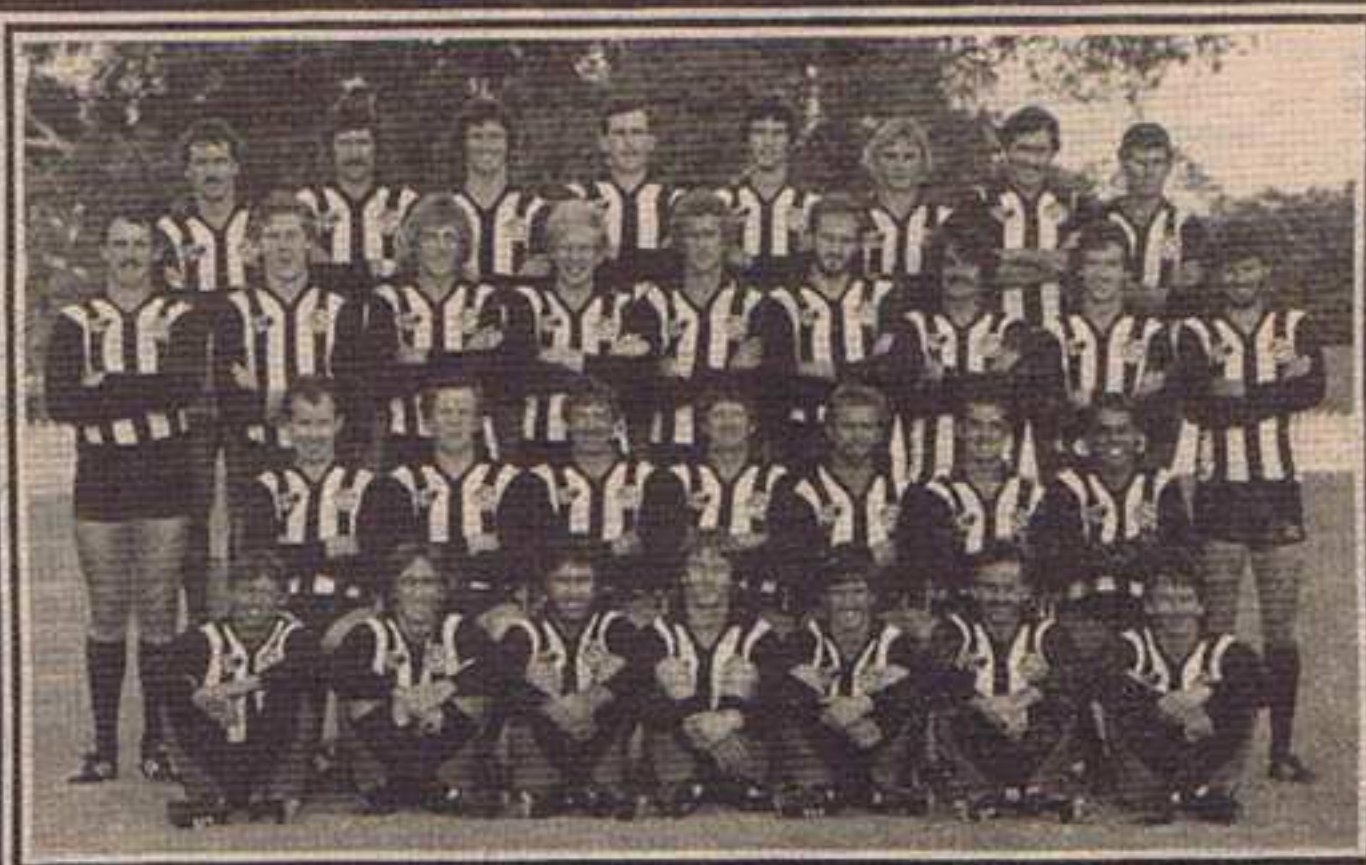
It seems as though there is definitely movement among the troops.

Well, we will look at the situation in 1982 and see if we can stage a few female football clashes...

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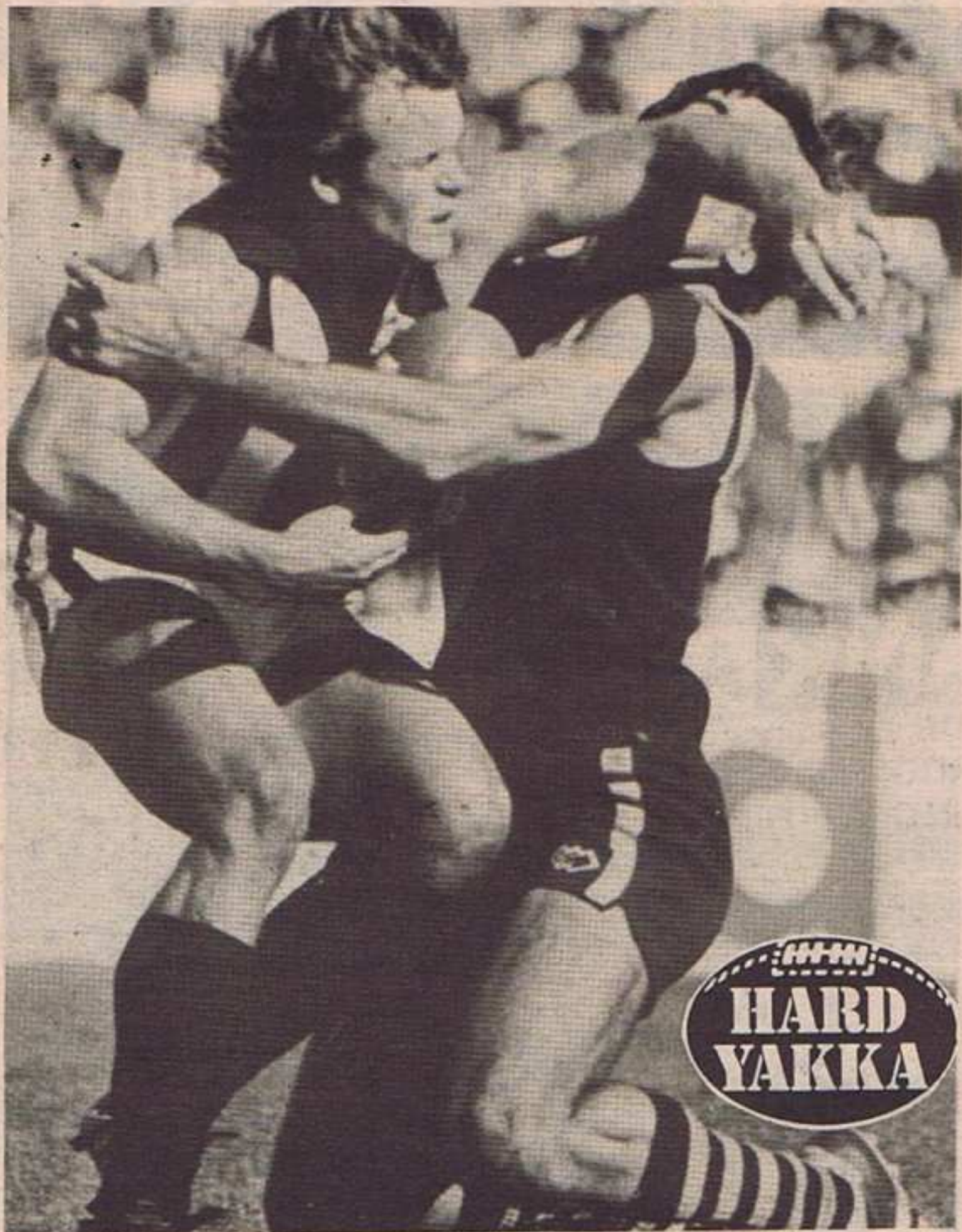
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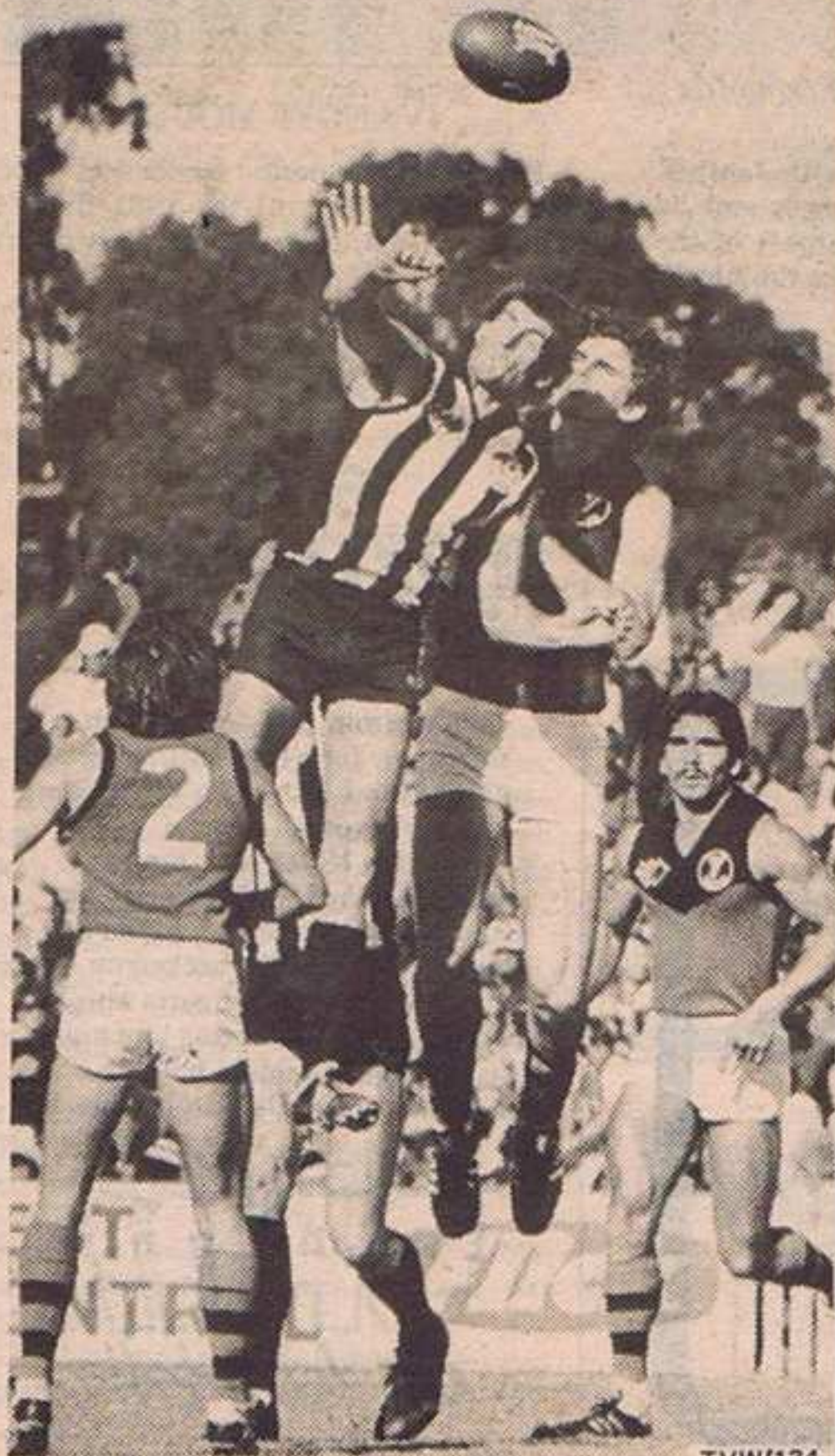
There were plenty of tough situations in last weekend's second semi-final... and Swan Districts players were generally on the receiving end of the stick.

However, one Claremont player who found the going really hard was goalkicking specialist Steve Malaxos, who was cut right out of the game by defender Craig Holden.

Here Malaxos is in a no-win situation as Holden has a solid grip on him. But, as a consolation, Malaxos wins our Hard Yakka award for the week... and receives a pair of Yakka jeans or trousers.

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

MOTHER BROWN

It would be fair to say that basically I am against the preliminary final being played on Sunday.

But, then I am glad that I have got the opportunity to watch the VFL grand final live on television.

This was the dilemma the WAFL obviously found itself in in deciding to make the move.

The people I feel sorry for most are the fans in the country. I know of at least three leagues in the country who have their grand finals on Sunday.

One thing emerges — and it doesn't matter what you think of the Sunday idea. It is going to be a very interesting result just to see how the public react to the idea.



UNLUCKY MIKE

I couldn't help but feel sorry for Mike Richardson on Saturday.

It is always unfortunate when someone misses a final round because of injury. It is even worse when this problem comes from something that happened outside football.

Richardson was certainly one of the main reasons why Swans have gone as far as they have this year.

WHERE ARE THEY?

It is often said in football that people forget about you as soon as you hang up your boots.

In many cases that has proved correct. That's where the media comes in and play its part.

In Westside Football we have the excellent series of Where Are They Now and on radio we have a segment on 6PR.

Geoff Christian of The West Australian presents it and it is easily the best feature I have heard on radio for a long time. Geoff goes over the careers of many of our former champions and it is things like this that builds up tradition in our game.

VICTORIAN TV COVER

Victorians like to think they are better than us in all aspects of football.

But one thing they are behind in is their television coverage of matches.

I watched the VFL preliminary final on Sunday morning and was very annoyed at the shadow — and what it did to the picture.

You virtually couldn't see anything and I think our television crews do a much better job of compensating for this lack of light in WA football.

Turnbull's memorable first season of footy

It's always thrilling to be a part of a premiership team.

But it is even more thrilling to be a member of a club's first premiership.

Former Swan Districts star, John Turnbull played a big role in his team's 1961 premiership and he went on to play in Swans' two other premierships in 1962 and 1963.

In 1961 Turnbull was a first year player and what a great start he had in what was to become a 208-game career.

"It was a big thrill to play in the club's first premiership," he says. "But it must have been an even bigger thrill for some of the older guys who had been around for a while during a time when Swans were low on the ladder.

"We came from last on the ladder in 1960 to win the flag the following year."

Turnbull attributed much of the success to his coach, Haydn Bunton junior.

"He was a hard task master who demanded results and got them," he says.

Turnbull played at centre-half-forward in the first two premierships but as a mark of his versatility he played in the centre opposed to Ray Sorrell in the third.

Turnbull wasn't restricted to just those two positions and he represented the State on a half-back flank.

STATE TEAM

To further enhance his reputation he was a member of what is considered to be the best State team ever — the 1961 side which won the Australian Football Carnival in Brisbane.

After losing to South Australia, the locals had to beat Victoria to have any chance of winning the carnival on percentage. The WA team won by nine points and that was enough to take out the carnival.

Turnbull, who began his career with Swans at the age of 19, and though he didn't play in the Victoria match, he was a part of the squad and played against South Australia.

And how does one of football's greats compare the game of yesteryear to that of today?

"We had a much bigger side in the goal-to-goal line than the Swans team this year," he says. "I'm 6.1 and then there were other guys like Joe Lawson, Ken Bagley, Max Kelleher and Lindsay Johnston who were all around 6.0 mark."

Turnbull was a dedicated team man and he still goes to the football every Saturday to give the players his support.

And there is every indication the Turnbull name could once again become synonymous with Swans.

Turnbull has two sons, Justin 12, and Ryan 10, coming up in the game and although he admits it would be "nice" to see them line-up for Swans he is not pushing them into anything.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

A weekly series tracing the whereabouts of some of West Australia's past "Football Greats" presented by . . .

Medibank Private



John Turnbull . . . at his Fremantle electrical store.

During his time involved with football Turnbull has seen many changes and he says the most disappointing aspect of the game to have disappeared is the drop kick.

"It was great to see someone drop kick the ball 60 metres when having a shot for goal, or a defender come out with a long drop kick," he says. "But the game is faster these days and there isn't enough to keep the art in the game.

"The players are still skillful but it is now a case of getting the ball forward at all costs."

IVANOFF MOVES

Former Claremont footballer Peter Ivanoff, the winner of the 1981 SWNFL Hayward Medal, is leaving for Darwin this week.

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STEVE GILLESPIE (Swan Districts)
Reaching the 200 Club for Swans was a target that seemed beyond Steve Gillespie, according to many so-called experts.

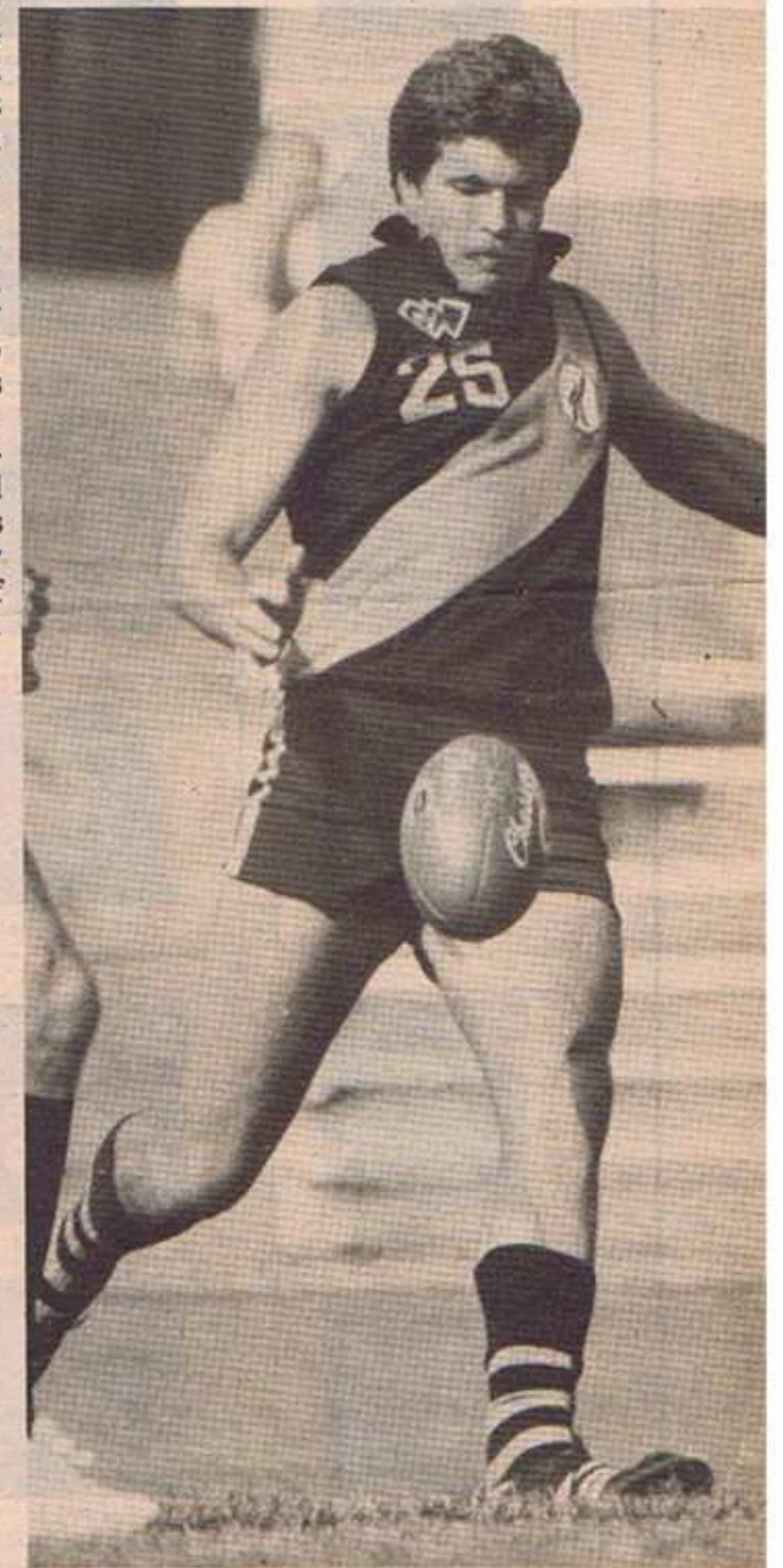
But they were not allowing for the grit and determination built into the character of a player who has suffered many low years at Swans, but was determined to be a part of their current successful era. Injury looked certain to make football life hard for Gillespie this year as he started the season on 197 games, but facing the prospect of overcoming a knee injury — and forcing his way into a team jam-packed with talented youngsters. But he persevered and with consistent results in the reserves, fulfilling many roles, he finally broke back into the seniors to notch those vital games to take his tally to 201.

It seems likely that the 29-year-old insurance consultant could retire this summer and if he takes that move, Swans will certainly miss one of their real stalwarts of the last decade.

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This week, as the 1981 season progresses, champions . . .



JOHN HAYES (East Perth)

In the early 70's there was never a dull moment at East Perth while John Hayes was around.

The Irish firebrand who had represented his adopted State at junior soccer only to be converted to football in his teens always seemed to be in hot water. But football talent he had heaps of and after being a key member of East Perth's 1972 premiership side, he started his football wanderings. First off to South Australia, only to be plagued by injury and then back to Claremont to rejoin his old Royals coach, Mal Brown.

As a high-leaping ruck-rover Hayes has the ability to perform incredible feats and his exuberant football was often too much for opposing sides to cope with.

Knee trouble — he had five operations in 10 months — looked certain to restrict his career and when he returned, like the Prodigal Son, to Perth Oval in 1978 many thought that he was finished as a key player.

Not so, of course, and the 30-year-old sales representative has gone on to tally up 220 club games in WA; 39 with Claremont and 181 with East Perth.

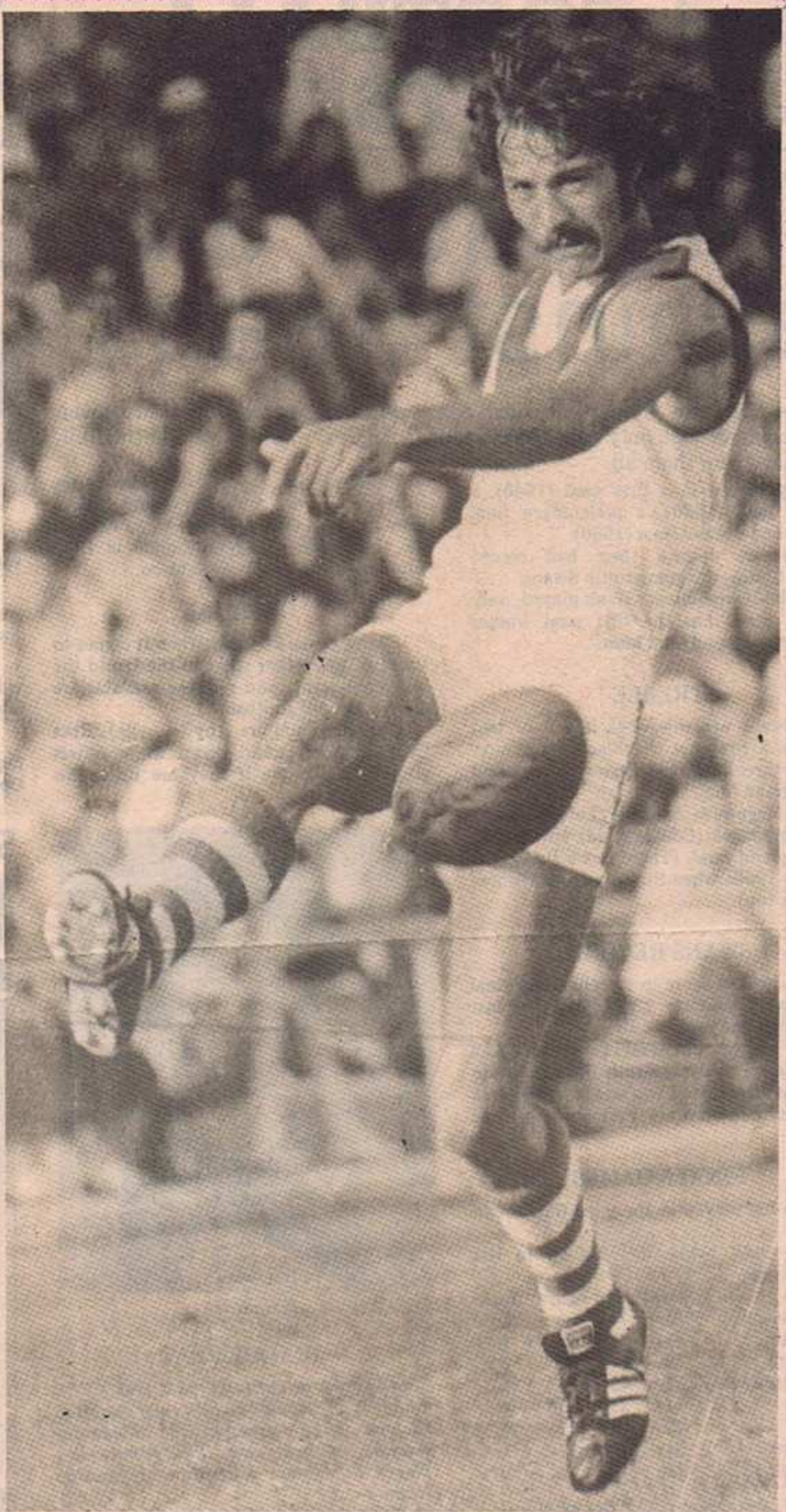


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 season draws to a close, we pay tribute to those cham-



GRAHAM MOSS — left — (Claremont):

This lion-hearted ruckman certainly holds claim to being one of the best big men the Australian game has ever seen. His 12-year career peaked in 1976 with a Brownlow Medal, the highest individual accolade that a Victorian footballer can receive. He then turned his back on what would have been a lucrative future in the VFL and returned home to Claremont to tackle the awesome task of coaching his old club — without any real experience in the business. But Moss has survived and now as the 31-year-old engineer turned real estate consultant leads his team into next week's grand final, the football world takes its hat off to him. With 205 senior games for Claremont — never missing a match through injury — added to the 89 he played with Essendon, Moss certainly ranks as one of Australia's top performers.

TONY MORLEY — right — (South Fremantle)

If anyone ever suggested that football clubs don't have any room for sentiment, well they only have to look at South Fremantle to be proved wrong. This year saw one of South's best-loved players slowly, but surely, approach his 200-game milestone. But then, with just one game to go and time running out for a battered and bruised pair of ankles, injury struck once more. Tony Morley seemed down and out with just that one match needed to join the 200 Club. So his team-mates had a vote . . . and unanimously put him in the side for the final qualifying match. Morley went on in the final quarter of what was a runaway win over West Perth and kicked two goals to help the club set a WAFL record. He still believes that he can be fit for the grand final (if necessary) but if not, the football exploits of this smooth-moving wingman who earned State selection and captained his club will long be remembered. The 30-year-old groundsmen seems determined to stick to his decision to retire . . . and the game is the loser.

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A number of other milestones should be acknowledged before the curtain comes down on this season.



IAN THOMSON (East Fremantle) proved that good footballers never retire with his 1979 comeback at East Fremantle, helping them win a premiership. Now, after a total of 211 senior games with three clubs in two States, he has retired . . . officially.



GEORGE MICHALCZYK (East Perth) has followed a family tradition by playing league football at East Perth, but by reaching the 150-game mark he achieved a feat that eluded brothers Dick and Eddie. The talented utility player has now notched 154 games with the Royals.



RON BOUCHER (Swan Districts) is poised to make his mark on the milestone scene this Sunday as he runs out for Swans for the 150th time. The big ruckman has defied several serious injuries over the years and is now back to his best.



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The odds are against Swans

This Sunday's preliminary final contenders South Fremantle and Swan Districts have met only four times before in a final round game and the Bulldogs have won them all.

They played in a first semi (1945), a second semi (1980), a preliminary final (1975) and a grand final (1980).

However, despite their bad record against South, I'm going to tip Swans.

Of the 50 preliminary finals played, only on 18 times has the first semi-winner beaten the second semi loser.

TREBLE

If Swans win this week it will be two years in a row that the Black and Whites of the three mainland States have played in the grand final.

The Magpies in Adelaide (Port Adelaide) and Melbourne (Collingwood) are already in the grand final. (There was a time, during the 1950s when Swans were known as Magpies too).

SWANS RECORD

The highest score in a preliminary final was Swan Districts 28.13 (181) against East Perth last year.

The biggest win was East Perth's 112 point margin over South Fremantle in 1978 and the closest win was in 1936 when East Perth beat East Fremantle by one point.

FINALS GAMES

Who has played in the most final round games?

The chart below includes up to last week's game.

	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
East Fremantle	131	71	58	2
East Perth	98	52	45	1
West Perth	84	34	48	2
South Fremantle	83	43	39	1
Perth	71	35	35	1
Subiaco	46	19	27	—
Claremont	31	14	16	1
Swan Districts	24	12	12	—

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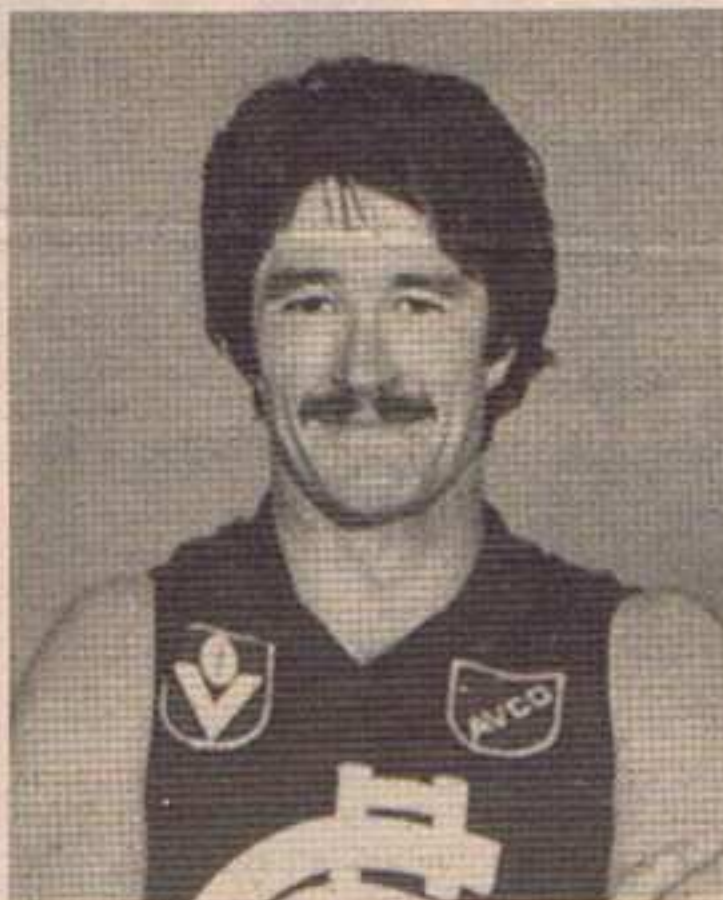
Footscray fans should be hopping mad — Brownlow Medal dead-heaters Barry Round and Bernie Quinlan were both cleared by Footscray.

I have searched the Sandover list to see where a player won after being cleared from another club and had to go back to the third winner, Digger Thomas in 1923 who I believe came from Subiaco.

ON TRIAL

Funny game football. When it comes to finals of any other sport in the World the best contestants and referees available are chosen but not football.

Our best umpire (by a mile) Ross Capes, has to stand down while others go on trial to see if they are up to his standard.



Fitzpatrick

UNIQUE FEAT

A victory to Carlton in this week's VFL grand final would give former Subiaco ruckman Mike Fitzpatrick the unique distinction of being the third former WA player to captain a Carlton premiership team.

The others were Ernie Henfry, formerly of Perth in 1947 and Brighton Diggins from Subiaco in 1938. Diggins also coached the Blues and is the only West Aussie to coach a VFL premiership side.

COACHES QUIET

Rival coaches John Todd and Mal Brown have pulled down the shutters on Sunday's preliminary final between Swan Districts and South Fremantle.

Todd sums up Sunday's game in one short statement: "We have our backs to the wall and life is very difficult at present."

"On Sunday we either measure up or ship out. If we don't perform I expect the media to crucify us — and perhaps they will have some justification," said Todd.



Brown says that the media are trying very hard to motivate Swan Districts.

"It's quite obvious to me what is going on and that's the comment I wish to make," he said.

Obviously neither coach wants to provide any ammunition for the other in the lead-up to Sunday's game.

At Bassendean, most of the strong talking has been done by president John Cooper, who blasted the performances of

some of his players in last Saturday's second semi-final.

Brown has adopted a very low profile in the second half of this season and obviously wants to remain that way.

Todd won't be drawn into discussing any specific aspect of Sunday's game and points out that coaches don't give anything away at this time of the year.

"I thought we helped the media quite a lot for the second semi-final," said Todd. "I appreciate the responsibility we have here, but I don't want to be seen as someone making excuses."

"This week we will be looking for action rather than words."

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DOUBLE FOR RAILWAYS

Railways have won the 1981 Great Northern National Football League grand final for the second year in succession.

Railways gave a polished display of football in crushing Brigades 28.17 to 12.18.

The Blues kicked 10.8 in the first quarter to one point and the game was virtually over at the first change.

Over 3,000 football fans watched Railways go from strength to strength as the game progressed.

Former Swan Districts players Bevan Rose, coach of Railways, and Max George, kicked nine goals each and their efforts in drawing team mates into the game were one of the finest seen in the region for many years.

Reg Watson, a brother of Claremont footballer Mark Watson, was named best player on the ground.

The elusive centreman dominated play and was a key figure in many of Railways' forward moves.

Watson received the East Fremantle fairest and best award for his efforts.

Best player for the depleted Brigades side was Bob Houwen, who notched up seven of his team's 12 goal tally.

There were boilovers in the reserves and

thirds matches.

The preliminary final of the reserves saw Rovers down hot flag favourites Railways.

The final scores were 9.19 to 8.8. Rovers will now play Northampton in the grand final this Sunday at the Recreation Ground.

In the thirds grand final, Rovers pounced on last year's flag winners Railways and won a tight, hard fought game.

Railways forwards let their side down in front of goals kicking 8.10 to Rovers' 10.4.

Secretary of the GNNFL, Mr Alan Cox, said the day turned into a fine outing for the football fraternity.

"It wasn't a record crowd but proved most successful for a fitting end to the football season," Mr Cox said.

BALLIDU WIN

Playing in their first grand final for 11 years, Mal Mason's Ballidu convincingly won the premiership of the Mortlock League when they beat Dowerin by 34 points to make Dowerin "the bridesmaids" for four successive seasons.

... Another for South

Firm favourites South Bunbury, justified predictions when they crushed Collie's Mines Rovers in the South West League grand final played in fine conditions at Hands Oval, Bunbury on Sunday.

Among the crowd of 4,370 were many talent scouts from the metropolitan area.

Mines commenced well to lead their opponents by one goal at the first change over - 4.4 to 3.4.

After that the Miners were never in it.

With an 8.2 second quarter, Souths displayed their football superiority and pulled away to nearly double Mines score at the final bell, 22.11 to 11.15.

It gave coach John Depiazzi a fine record with this team having won the flag last season.

Depiazzi has played league football and been associated with South Bunbury for over 25 years.

He coached the reserves team for 10 years, before breaking into league ranks.

Among Souths best players were P. Upton, W. Watterson, L. Wright, P. Buswell, P. Old and J. Linden. Mines were best served by R. Saunders, P. Rowe, S. Tyler, K. Aramini, H. Reynolds and T. Stewart.

KOJONUP WINNERS

In the Central Great Southern League, Tambellup, who beat Gnowangerup the previous Sunday to qualify to play in the grand final, were no match for Kojonup who won 15.20 to Tambellup's 11.3.

WATHEROO PREMIERSHIP

Watheroo have won the 1981 Central Midlands Football Association grand final, beating Warriors convincingly 14.17 to 12.11.

Watheroo have won the CMFA grand final for seven out of the past eight years.

Under coach, Ken Pense, Watheroo stormed home in the last quarter to snatch victory. They were headed earlier in the game, but proved too strong for their opponents as the game progressed.

Warriors led by 4.1 at the first break, but by only one point at the half time.

The third quarter kept the 1,000 football fans on their toes with top class pressure football.

The lead changed five times during this term and by three quarter time, Warriors still led, but by two points.

Watheroo found new legs in the final term, applied the pressure and ran out comfortable winners.

The best man award of the ground was Warriors wingman Tom Papadopoulous.

PRELIMINARY FINALS

Five districts are yet to play their grand finals. In the preliminaries last Sunday there was only one closely contested match.

Royals defeated South Mt Barker in the SDNFL preliminary final at Albany.

Royals stormed home to win a top quality game 8.15 to 8.9. They will now meet flag favourites North Albany this Sunday.

Royals star centre half forward Ramon Smith was the best player for his side while Larry Dwyer played well for South Mt Barker.

In the reserves match, North Albany 7.7 defeated Railways 4.7, and the thirds final saw Royals 12.7 defeat Railways 3.7. The SDNFL annual presentation dinner will be held on October 10.

● Burracoppin (21.20) beat Corrigin (14.18) in the Eastern Districts League.

● Morawa (13.25) beat Coorow-Latham (5.7) in the North Midlands League.

● The Avon Valley Association preliminary final resulted in Brookton (16.21) displaying its superiority over York (12.11).

● Wickpin proved too strong for Towns in the Upper Great Southern National Football League preliminary final.

Wickepin kicked 12.8 to Towns 9.17 with poor kicking in front of goals letting Towns down.

They made a strong bid in the final quarter to bounce back and snatch victory, but the strong Wickepin defence had their measure.

Wickepin now face the hot flag favourites Williams in the grand final this Sunday at Narrogin.

The reserves final match saw Towns defeat Wickepin 9.7 to 8.8, while in the thirds match, Towns beat Wickepin 12.7 to 10.4.



South Bunbury player Les Holmes is under pressure as he takes this mark ahead of a Mines Rovers opponent.

Karratha's big win

Karratha swamped Cardinals in the De Grey and West Pilbara Football League grand final held last Sunday.

Karratha, coached by Don Newman, crushed Cardinals by 61 points. The final scores were 16.12 to 6.11.

Cardinals coach Danny Malone, was irate at his team's efforts at three-quarter time when they had not scored a goal.

Malone, a former East Fremantle player, had to sit on the bench and watch his team get thrashed. He was serving a four-week suspension for striking.

Karratha centreman Wayne Bazzacca won the Eric Pratt Medal for being the best man on the ground.

The West Pilbara reserves grand final was won by Karratha and the De Grey thirds clash went to Shay Gap, who defeated Port Hedland Panthers.

SOUTHERNERS WIN

Southerners defeated Imperials in the grand final of the Lower South West National Football League. Southerners kicked 11.31 to Imperials 10.11.

In minor grades Southerners 9.6 defeated Imperials 8.10 in the reserves clash and Imperials 12.11 defeated Deanmill 8.5 and the thirds grand final.

TOWNS TITLE

Towns playing in the West Kimberley Football Association, won the 1981 flag when they defeated Saints.

The game was played in 37.6 degrees but it didn't stop the strong finish by the Towns side.

The final scores were Towns 13.8 to Saints 9.13.

Perth umpire Ron Buckey controlled the game and was right up with the play at all times, which was a fine effort considering the hot conditions.

Buckey selected Saints player Greg Fiorenza as the best man on the ground and Towns player Eric Whittle was runner-up.

The president of the association, Mr Jeff Johnson, presented both players with trophies, and Fiorenza won \$100 donated by Ray Neville.

MUKINBUDIN FLAG

Beacon, who beat Towns the previous week in the Central Wheatbelt League, were themselves on the "receiving end" when Mukinbudin easily disposed of them 14.9 to 3.10 to take out the premiership.

RESERVES PREMIERS

South West: Bunbury (13.20) b Busselton (9.16). Central Great Southern: Kojonup (11.15) b Tambellup (5.8). Mortlock: Dowerin (14.14) b Wongan Hills (10.7). De Grey: Shay Gap (9.12) b Port Hedland Panthers (6.8). Pilbara: Cardinals (17.11) b Karratha (13.12). Southern Districts: North Albany (7.7) b Railways (4.4).

SHARING IT

The Eastern Districts preliminary finals played last weekend saw five different clubs in action.

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- 5 NEIL RANDALL, Age 27. Height 5.10%. Weight 12.9. Club games 183
Failed to handle the pace of the first semi; but kicked a late goal and is a real danger man.
- 7 ROD BARRETT, Age 27. Height 5.10%. Weight 10.7. Club games 131
Returned to his confident best in a back pocket two weeks ago and gives the defence an air of authority.
- 8 BENNY VIGONA, Age 22. Height 5.11. Weight 11.4. Club games 76
A magical player on a wing or half-forward flank; but wasn't a great performer in the first semi.
- 10 WAYNE DELMENICO, Age 29. Height 6.2. Weight 14.0. Club games 101
Strong and purposeful in defence; plays percentage football and is a versatile man in this line-up.

- 11 BRUCE MONTEATH, Age 25. Height 6.2%. Weight 13.9. Club games 75
A match-winning nine-goal effort in the first semi. Offers South marking ability and strength in attack.



Sweetman Barrett

- 20 WAYNE HENWOOD, Age 19. Height 6.2. Weight 15.0. Club games 18
Put in a cool display in his first finals match. Provides a strong and willing back-up for Stephen Michael in the ruck.
- 21 PAUL VASOLI, Age 25. Height 5.11. Weight 12.2. Club games 78
Overcame a nervous start to be an effective link-man in the last half victory over East Perth.
- 25 STEPHEN MICHAEL, Age 25. Height 6.2. Weight 14.2. Club games 162
Didn't let his second successive Sandover Medal affect his form. A magnificent third quarter was the highlight of his great game.
- 26 SIMON OUTHWAITE, Age 27. Height 6.0. Weight 12.7. Club games 143
Fearless on a half-back flank. Set a high standard for desperation in the first semi with one of his best games.
- 30 BASIL CAMPBELL, Age 25. Height 5.11. Weight 12.7. Club games 100
His strength gave South plenty of life in the forward zone and his skills helped set up goals in the first semi.

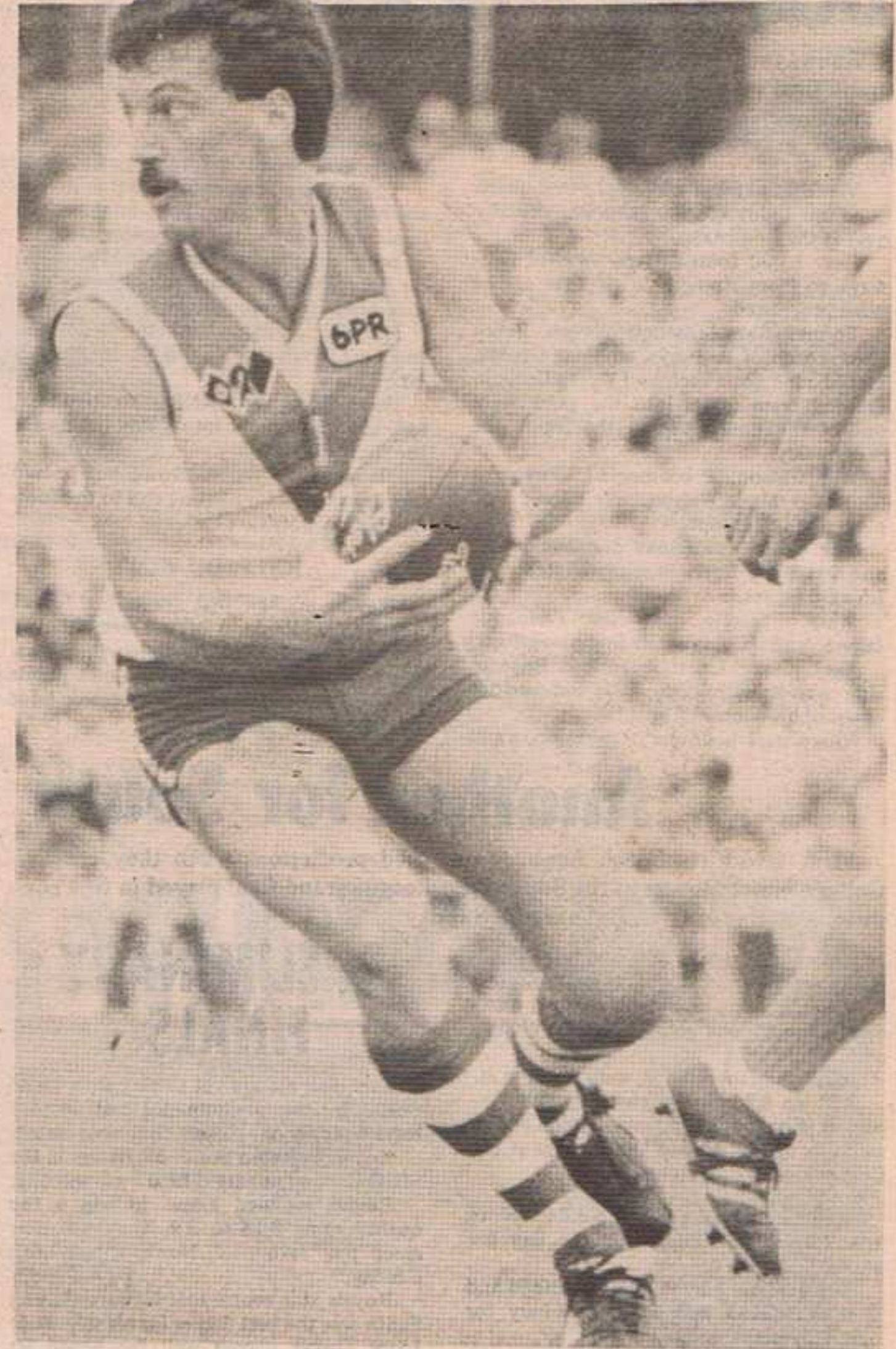


Cornell Mountain

- 31 JOHN BEGG, Age 23. Height 6.0. Weight 12.6. Club games 21
Started brilliantly in the first semi, particularly with a great solo goal. But faded out and would need to sustain his effort.
- 32 KEVIN CORNELL, Age 26. Height 5.11. Weight 13.0. Club games 90
Another who played percentage football in defence. Fits in well and seems capable of repeating that solid effort.



Kelly Begg



Noel Carter

- 35 PAUL MOUNTAIN, Age 29. Height 5.10. Weight 10.8. Club games 126
Kept Souths in the game in the first half against East Perth with sustained running and has a great capacity for hard work.
- 36 PHIL CRONAN, Age 22. Height 5.11. Weight 11.0. Club games 52
Relished the pressure of the first semi and is a great big-game player on a half-back flank. Seldom made an error.
- 40 ROSS SWEETMAN, Age 25. Height 6.0. Weight 13.0. Club games 52
Didn't make the first semi team, but not without a chance this week. Is a capable and versatile big man.

- 45 MICHAEL PAGE, Age 20. Height 6.2. Weight 13.2. Club games 5
Astounded the football world with a great second half display when he curbed the brilliance of Grant Campbell after being switched to centre-half-back.
- 49 MAURICE RIOLI, Age 24. Height 5.8. Weight 11.0. Club games 120
Is coming back to top form; worked hard but without any real brilliance in the first semi and should benefit by that tough game.
- 51 TONY KELLY, Age 24. Height 6.3. Weight 13.4. Club games 75
Struck trouble against Grant Campbell two weeks ago and was further handicapped by a troublesome shoulder injury.



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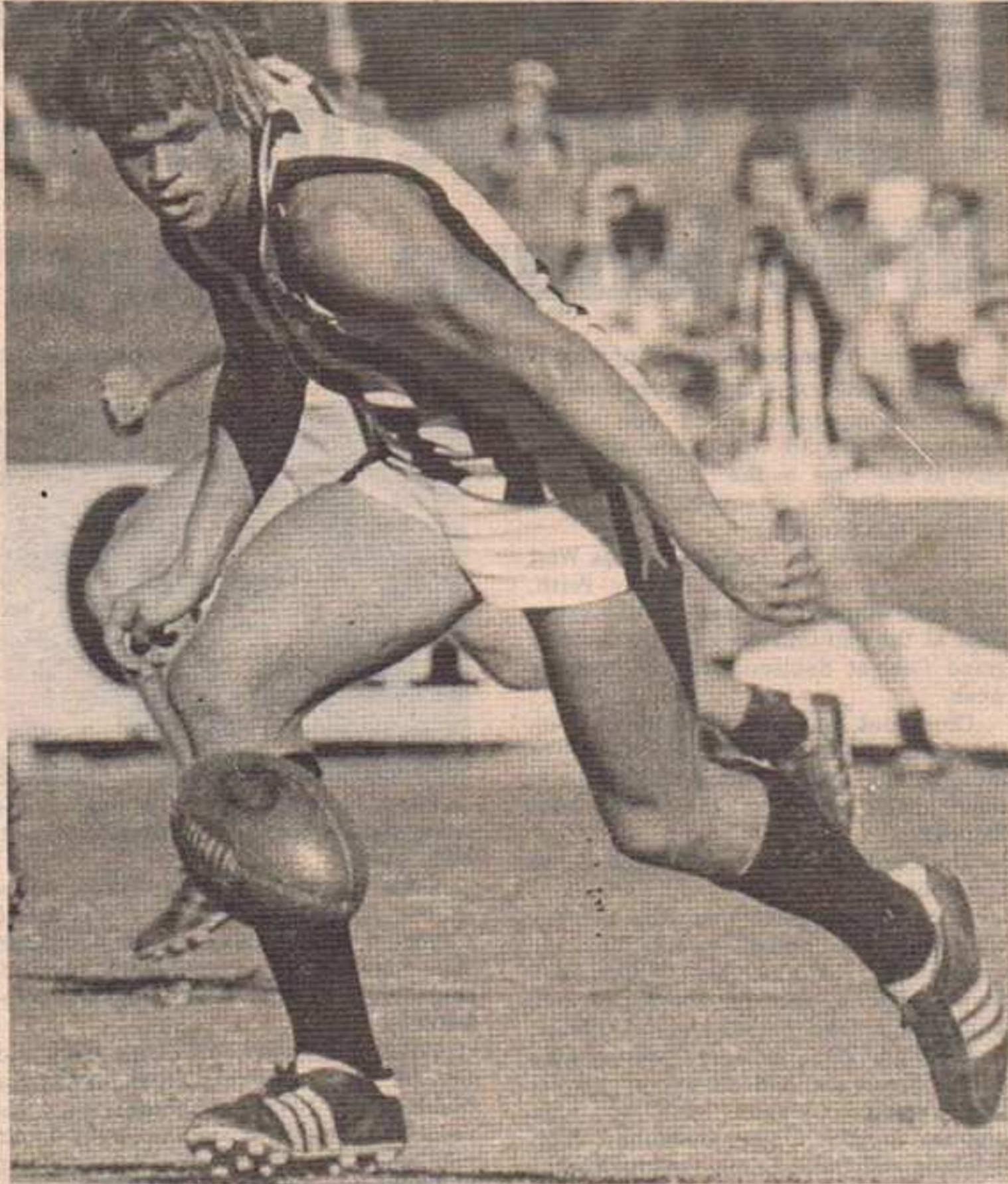
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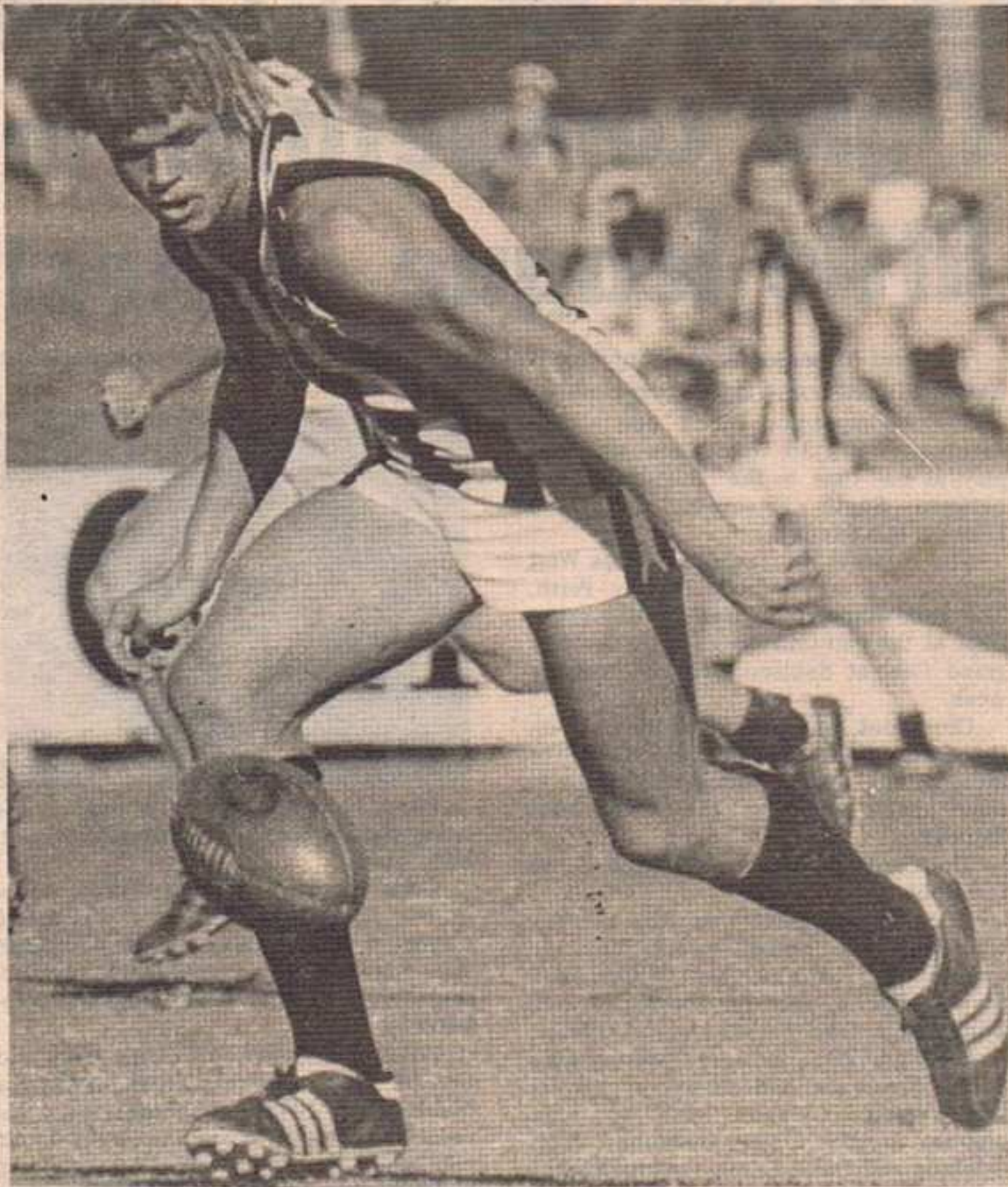
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BIG WA INTEREST IN VFL CLIMAX

The football world turns its attention to one of the greatest sporting spectacles in the nation this weekend — the Victorian Football League grand final.

The Melbourne Cricket Ground, traditionally the home of Australia's greatest cricketers, is devoted entirely to football in the wet winter months and it climaxes this Saturday when old rivals Carlton and Collingwood do battle in what is certain to be a muddy middle.

The WA Football League has transferred its preliminary final to Sunday to accommodate the VFL grand final — both live via television or live for those fortunate enough to fly to Melbourne — and, as usual, there will be enormous interest in the WA players involved.

Veteran VFL star Mike Fitzpatrick, a former Subiaco champion who left WA after the Lions took off the 1973 grand final, partly because a Rhodes Scholarship was to take him to England to study, will lead Carlton in this year's grand final. And he hopes to emulate the feat of another West Australian of recent times — Bruce Monteath, who led Richmond to last year's premiership before returning to South Fremantle this season.



KEN HUNTER

Playing alongside Fitzpatrick will be two VFL rookies — Peter Bosustow and Ken Hunter, who have been among the sensations of this year's VFL season.

Bosustow has been the game's most mercurial — and most publicised — player in 1981. His freakish marks and flamboyant football have thrilled the Blues fans — but Hunter's methodical and effective defence has also been a key factor in Carlton's march to glory.

There are other WA angles to the Carlton team.

Coach David Parkin, a former Hawthorn champion, coached Subiaco for two



DAVID PARKIN

years as he did his 'apprenticeship' before returning to Victoria to take Hawthorn to a premiership and now moves to Carlton in search of a similar goal.

Mark McClure, a dashing attacking player, grew up at Manning, but moved to Victoria with his parents before making his name in senior ranks.

And then David McKay, one of their key big men, almost became a West Australian player a few years ago when he moved to Subiaco, accepted a position as assistant coach and seemed set for a local career. But clearance hassles saw him return to Melbourne and now he has the chance to win a place in VFL history.

Collingwood has little WA appeal — apart from the fact that they are sponsored by Yakka, the major sponsors of East Perth — but only because injury has taken its toll.

Rugged defender Stan Magro, the former South Fremantle star, has been forced out of this line-up and is deprived of the chance of atoning for his last two VFL grand final appearances — both resulting in losses.

Kevin Worthinton, the Claremont player who returned home briefly for a season, is also back with the Magpies, but injury too has put him out of contention.

So the WA football public will be on Carlton's side . . . but not so in Melbourne.

The Blues are not too popular with the media in Victoria because of a publicity gag being applied to their players; so all the promotion lies around Collingwood, who are in the grand final for the fifth year out of the last six and should prove to be the popular pick.

The MCG, capable of seating 112,000 vocal fans, will be jam-packed. It's already a sell-out and with scalpers selling seating tickets for up to \$200 a time, it promises to be a colourful Saturday afternoon.

Westside Football will have its special reporting team in Melbourne for the grand final and next week's WA grand final issue will cover aspects of the match.



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AMATEUR NEWS

A round-up of News from the West Australian Amateur Football League.

UNIVERSITY WIN AMATEUR TITLE

University, played their best football for many weeks to down a spirited Old Scotch and win the 1981 A league premiership.

It was University's first major premiership since 1977 and their fourteenth A league flag since joining the amateurs league in 1929.

It was a sweet victory for them, erasing the memories of missing out on the last two final rounds by percentage.

Their pre-season recruiting campaign paid dividends as their recruits all performed well during the season and were amongst the best on the ground during the final.

Old Scotch, though failing to match Uni in the last half were not disgraced and should remain a power in A league for some time. They have one of the youngest teams ever to play in the top division.

The increasing following of amateur football will continue to follow teams of the calibre of both grand finalists as they will continue to witness top class matches.

Both University and Old Scotch displayed many top class skills throughout the game, especially in the second quarter when the scores were almost levelled.

After the game the president of the W.A.A.F.L. Mr Colin Jamieson, M.L.A., made the premiership presentation to University captain-coach Mike Salmon, who also won the inaugural B.J. Giles Medal for the fairest and best player in the grand final.

B LEAGUE

Scarborough again showed their finals hoodoo over traditional rivals, North Beach. It was Scarborough's second major team premiership and now makes it interesting to see who is promoted to A league next year.

North Beach led at all changes but in the final term could not hold out a persistent Scarborough, led by a dazzling display from veteran wingman Rusty Arnold. North Beach have yet to win a major team premiership.

C LEAGUE

City Beach won their second premiership by defeating Whitfords who had finished third. City Beach last won in 1975 (E). Whitfords have yet to win a premiership but are being promoted through the grades quickly.

D DIVISION

Osborne Park downed Commonwealth Bank to take their sixth premiership (last one 1980 K).

E DIVISION

North Beach won their club's second successive reserves premiership and look likely to move up another division in 1982.

Old Wesley stopped in the last half of the game and failed to gain their club's second premiership.

F DIVISION

Forrestfield, another club moving quickly up the divisions, gained their fourth grand final win. Opponents St Norberts, had finished fourth after qualifying games.

G DIVISION

Scarborough won their second premiership this year (and the club's seventh) by defeating minor premiers Lynwood/Ferndale.

H DIVISION

Coolbinia were successful in their third bid for a premiership in two years. Edgewater were clearly outclassed and could not match their last two performances.

I DIVISION

Bullcreek won their first flag against Applecross who found the opposition too strong.

J DIVISION

Robbs Jetty, possibly one of 1981's hottest premiership hopes, failed against Mt Lawley's No. 3 team. It was one of three premierships for the Hawks this year, taking their total since 1963 to 12.

K DIVISION

Minor premiers, Carlisle, lost their first ever grand final. Maylands were too strong in gaining their club's sixth premiership.

A COLTS

Mt Lawley continued their success in colts, gaining their second successive grand final win and the second colts premiership for 1981 (last week C colts).

Minor premiers University, found it too difficult after their hard game against Wembley last week. The Hawks should return to a top team in A league if they can retain their top colts.

B COLTS

North Beach won their second 1981 premiership when they defeated North Fremantle in a hard close fought game that typified the best in amateur football. North Beach colts have now won three out of their club's five premierships.

SUNDAY DIVISION

A.I.C.A. won their first premiership in the closest grand final result of the year. Fire Brigades had their chance to gain their second flag but in front of a large crowd were held out by a desperate defence.

Results

University	5.6	7.9	13.14	17.20
Old Scotch	3.2	7.5	8.7	10.11

GOALS: UNIVERSITY: K. Craig 3; R. King 3; A. Lill 2; I. Symmons 2; I. McCarrey 2; P. Williamson 2; N. Salamons 1; R. O'Shannesy 1; P. Bannon 1. OLD SCOTCH: J. Morgan 3; R. Grant 2; P. Melville 1; A. Brown 1; W. Crooks 1; G. Berson 1; I. Moustaka 1.

BEST: UNIVERSITY: M. Salmon (Best on ground), A. Lill, P. Williamson, R. O'Shannesy. OLD SCOTCH: Pennington, Moustaka, Bennett.

Information supplied by George Livingstone.

B LEAGUE: Scarborough 13.17 d North Beach 9.15. C LEAGUE: City Beach 9.18 d Whitfords 7.13. D DIVISION: Osborne Park 14.20 d Commonwealth Bank 10.12. E DIVISION: Mt Lawley 7.10 d Robbs Jetty 5.12. K DIVISION: Maylands 19.23 d Carlisle 6.10. G DIVISION: Scarborough 8.19 d Lynwood/Ferndale 8.6. H DIVISION: Coolbinia 21.10 d Edgewater 6.8. I DIVISION: Bullcreek 15.11 d Applecross 9.5. J DIVISION: Mt Lawley 7.10 d Robbs Jetty 5.12. K DIVISION: Maylands 19.23 d Carlisle 6.4. A COLTS: Mt Lawley 17.13 d University 7.9. B COLTS: North Beach 10.9 d North Fremantle 9.8. SUNDAY DIVISION: A.I.C.A. 11.13 d Fire Brigades 10.14.

GRAND FINAL UPSETS

Grand final day had its upsets and disappointments for clubs that finished minor premiers.

North Beach (B league), Lynwood/Ferndale (G), Applecross (I), Robbs Jetty (J), Carlisle (K) and University (A colts), despite heading the tables after the home and away games failed in their most important game of the year.

TIME KEEPERS

George Livingstone and Tom Naylor, long serving life members of the league acted in the capacity of time keepers for all A and B league finals, relieving pressure from the clubs who normally had to supply the officials. Their contribution was appreciated.

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Dean Turner



Wayne Simms



CLAREMONT

	Games	Tot.	Avg	1st	Semi
AITKEN, Mike	20	121	6	7	—
BEVAN, Kim	2	5	2.5	—	—
BLACKWELL, Wayne	17	104	6.1	5i	—
BEECROFT, Barry	19	103	5.4	8	—
BETTS, Gerald	19	95	5	7	—
COLREAVY, John	6	24	4	—	—
DANIELS, Alan	17	101	5.9	4r	—
FARMER, Brett	20	99	4.9	4	—
GOODING, Dalton	4	16	4	—	—
HARPER, Baden	19	111	5.8	4	—
JAMIESON, Peter	6	26	4.3	5	—
KRAKOUER, Jim	18	129	7.2	7	—
KRAKOUER, Phil	21	139	6.6	6	—
KANTHER, Lindsay	20	118	5.9	5	—
LAWSON, Robert	1	2	2	—	—
MALAXOS, Steve	14	92	6.6	3	—
MELVILLE, Robbie	10	50	5	—	—
MOSS, Graham	21	135	6.4	6	—
MORTON, Noel	21	116	5.5	3	—
PANIZZA, Darrell	21	133	6.3	4	—
PEARCE, Tom	13	71	5.5	5	—
PODALCZAK, Roger	1	4	4	—	—
RALPH, Warren	21	118	5.6	5	—
REYNOLDS, Brad	19	108	5.7	6	—
SHAW, Gary	20	112	5.6	6	—
SMITH, Ray	11	55	5	—	—
VAN DE BEEK, Herman	18	83	4.9	—	—
WATSON, Mark	20	105	5.2	7	—



SWAN DISTRICTS

	Games	Tot.	Avg	1st	Semi
BEASLEY, Simon	21	121	5.8	4	—
BAKER, Leon	21	112	5.3	7	—
BLACKABY, Ed	12	66	5.5	4r	—
BOUCHER, Ron	15	70	4.7	5	—
COMMERFORD, Graeme	2	7	3.5	—	—
CRANSBERG, Alan	21	106	5	3	—
FITZGERALD, Ross	18	100	5.6	4	—
FOGARTY, Jon	20	104	5.2	6	—
GILLESPIE, Steve	4	11	3.7	—	—
HOLMES, Don	11	59	5.4	—	—
HOLDEN, Craig	16	99	6.2	7	—
KERR, Brian	2	9	4.5	—	—
LANGSFORD, Don	21	118	5.6	4	—
McDONALD, Gary	3	15	5	—	—
MELROSE, Graham	19	117	6.2	7	—
MULLOOLY, Tom	21	122	5.8	5	—
NARKLE, Phil	21	144	6.9	7	—
NARKLE, Keith	21	126	6	4	—
NEESHAM, Gerard	19	136	7.2	4	—
NOWOTNY, Stan	19	113	5.9	4	—
RANCE, Murray	15	64	4.3	3r	—
RICHARDSON, Mike	19	122	6.4	—	—
SARTORI, Peter	1	4	4	—	—
SHINE, Bradley	11	52	4.7	3r	—
SKWIROWSKI, Bill	10	57	5.7	6	—
SOLIN, Tony	8	45	5.6	—	—
SIDEBOTTOM, Alan	17	102	6	5	—
SMITH, Mike	2	6	3	—	—
SUTTON, Daryl	15	93	6.2	4	—
TREW, Kim	9	50	5.6	—	—
WILLIAMS, Ian	6	30	5	—	—



SOUTH FREMANTLE

	Games	Tot.	Avg	1st	Semi
BARRETT, Rod	14	83	5.9	6	—
BEGG, John	6	33	5.5	5	—
BURTENSHAW, Alan	3	14	4.7	—	—
CARTER, Noel	21	127	6	6	—
CAMPBELL, Basil	19	111	5.8	5	—
COCKIE, Michael	9	40	4.4	—	—
CORNELL, Kevin	17	90	5.3	5	—
CRONAN, Phil	21	119	5.7	8	—
DELMENICO, Wayne	21	113	5.4	5	—
DOROTICH, John	4	18	4.5	—	—
HARDIE, Wayne	6	32	5.3	—	—
HARDIE, Brad	21	121	5.8	5	—
HENWOOD, Wayne	17	86	5.1	5	—
KELLY, Tony	9	41	4.6	2i	—
KERR, Ross	4	19	4.7	—	—
MONTEATH, Bruce	16	90	5.6	8	—
MOYLAN, Mick	14	70	5	—	—
MORLEY, Tony	20	110	5.5	—	—
MICHAEL, Stephen	21	156	7.4	8	—
McKAY, Joe	11	64	5.8	2i	—
MOUNTAIN, Paul	20	125	6.2	7	—
MOSCONI, Warren	2	9	4.5	—	—
MOTLOP, Mark	3	12	4	—	—
O'BRIEN, Geoff	12	60	5	—	—
OUTHWAITE, Simon	15	81	5.4	7	—
QUICK, Barrie	1	4	4	—	—
PAGE, Michael	3	12	4	5r	—
PEOPJES, Robert	8	36	4.5	—	—
RANDALL, Neil	17	87	5.1	4	—
REED, David	1	3	3	—	—
RIOLI, Maurice	11	76	6.9	6	—
SWEETMAN, Ross	9	46	5.1	—	—
STOKES, Daryl	5	24	4.8	—	—
UNCLE, Norm	1	4	4	—	—
VASOLI, Paul	21	134	6.4	5	—
VIGONA, Benny	14	78	5.6	5	—
ZUBRINICH, Kim	3	11	3.7	—	—

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WAFU

Matches played on grounds of first mentioned clubs, except those indicated (S) which will be played at Subiaco.

APRIL 11

Cl'mont 22.22, Sth. Frem. 18.18
Swan Dist. 21.21, W. Perth 10.12
East Perth 25.10, Perth 14.10
East Frem. 21.16, Subiaco 18.12

APRIL 18

S. Frem. 22.21, E. Frem. 20.14
W. Perth 23.16, E. Perth 14.14

APRIL 20

Perth 13.9, Swans 38.21
Subiaco 22.21, Claremont 18.15

APRIL 25

Cl'mont 29.17, Perth 12.23 (S)
Swan Dist 22.17, Subiaco 17.11

E. Perth 21.9, S. Frem. 17.14
E. Frem. 19.25, W. Perth 8.17

APRIL 27

W.A. 16.23, Victoria 13.12 (S)

MAY 2

Cl'mont 20.26, E. Perth 17.11
S. Dist. 28.17, E. Frem. 12.6

Perth 17.13, S. Frem. 26.28
Subiaco 18.16, W. Perth 17.18

MAY 9

East Perth 23.23, Subiaco 10.11
East Frem. 20.21, Perth 13.20

Sth. Frem. 17.19, Swans 16.16
West Perth 13.9, Cl'mont 26.24

MAY 16

Swans 27.14, E. Perth 17.13
E. Frem. 14.12, Cl'mont 19.2

W. Perth 18.15, Perth 17.9
Subiaco 13.19, S. Frem. 17.13

MAY 23

Cl'mont 24.12, Swans 16.14
Perth 22.16, Subiaco 17.12

East Perth 24.12, East Frem. 17.10

MAY 24

Sth. Frem. 18.18, W. Perth 17.14

MAY 30

Swans 31.14, Perth 10.13
Cl'mont 25.11, Subiaco 19.12

SANFL

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

APRIL 4

Port 12.22, Glenelg 22.17
North 13.12, South 17.8

Norwood 19.11, Sturt 19.11
West 29.19, Woodville 9.19

Torrens 20.9, Cent. Dist. 17.11

APRIL 11/12

Sturt 18.15, Port 15.10
South 22.24, Woodville 8.15

Central 9.9, North 14.24
Glenelg 13.18, Norwood 11.6

West 26.12, Torrens 16.15

APRIL 18

Glenelg 30.19, W'ville 12.10
Central 15.13, N'wood 13.20

Port 19.14, Torrens 18.11
North 21.13, West 16.20

Sturt 14.14, S. Adel 12.13

APRIL 25

Port Adel. 15.8, N'wd. 8.14
S. Adel 17.11, W. Adel 9.8

N. Adel 20.25, W. Tor 17.10
Glenelg 18.14, Sturt 14.17

C. Dist. 15.18, W'ville 9.24

MAY 2/3

N. Adel 22.18, W'ville 17.11
N'wood 15.21, W. Tor. 16.11

Glenelg 20.12, S. Adel 18.15
W. Adel 19.24, Sturt 11.11

●Port 14.18, C. Dist. 14.12

MAY 9

Central 14.13, Gl'elg 17.21
N'wood 19.25, W'ville 10.5

Port 11.20, West 15.12
North 15.14, Sturt 14.23

Torrens 6.9, S. Adel. 10.12

MAY 16

Sturt 13.22, W. Torrens 13.7
Cen Dist 13.14, S. Adel 17.3

Glenelg 25.15, N. Adel 9.15
W. Adel 15.12, N'wood 21.16

W'ville 14.21, Pt Adel 16.23

MAY 23

Central 20.12, West 10.12
Port 11.16, Nth. Adel. 19.18

JUNE 1

E. Frem 13.14, S. Frem 27.17
E. Perth 20.18, W. Perth 22.10

JUNE 6

South Frem. 16.19, Claremont 13.17
Perth 10.14, E. Perth 13.8

Subiaco 14.13, East Frem. 14.5
West Perth 5.10, Swan Dist. 18.17

JUNE 13

Perth 10.14, Claremont 23.18
Subiaco 15.7, Swan Dist. 14.18

Sth. Frem. 22.15, E. Perth 11.11
West Perth 37.17, E. Frem. 9.7

JUNE 20

W. Aust. 21.30, S. Aust. 10.9

JUNE 27

E. Perth 13.10, Cl'mont 21.17
E. Frem 10.13, Swans 13.13

Sth. Frem 30.18, Perth 10.13
W. Perth 9.13, Subiaco 9.11

JULY 4

Subiaco 26.14, E. Perth 12.8
Perth 23.24, E. Frem. 21.9

Swans 19.20, S. Frem. 13.8
Cl'mont 30.19, W. Perth 20.9

JULY 11

East Perth 14.13, Swan Dist. 17.9
Cl'mont 30.17, East Frem. 14.11

Perth 13.17, West Perth 26.23
Sth. Frem. 23.20, Subiaco 10.17

JULY 18

Swan Dist. 16.16, Cl'mont 17.12
East Frem. 9.17, East Perth 12.11

West Perth 23.8, S. Frem. 19.19
Subiaco 22.17, Perth 14.8

THIRD ROUND

JULY 25
Cl'mont 23.22, Sth. Frem. 14.25

Swan Dist. 25.22, W. Perth 10.10

East Perth 20.16, Perth 17.8

East Frem. 14.9, Subiaco 18.19

AUGUST 1

Sth. Frem. 24.22; East Frem. 19.5
West Perth 15.9; East Perth 25.10

Perth 13.15; Swan Districts 18.20
Subiaco 12.10; Claremont 28.13

AUGUST 8

Claremont 39.20; Perth 12.9
Swan Dist. 30.17; Subiaco 10.14

E. Perth 20.11; Sth. Frem. 16.22
E. Frem. 21.17; W. Perth 16.11

AUGUST 15

Cl'mont 23.24; E. Perth 8.13
Swan Dist. 24.24; E. Frem. 8.15

Perth 18.13; S. Frem. 15.13
Subiaco 25.13; W. Perth 9.15

AUGUST 22

E. Perth 19.14; Subiaco 16.7
E. Frem. 20.19; Perth 17.18

S. Frem. 21.22; Swan Dist. 16.17
W. Perth 12.9; Claremont 35.15

AUGUST 29

Swan Dist. 18.14; E. Perth 14.17
E. Frem. 7.16; Cl'mont 10.21

W. Perth 16.19; Perth 16.15
Subiaco 18.12; S. Frem. 10.23

SEPTEMBER 5

Cl'mont 22.16; Swan Dist. 20.13
E. Perth 17.15; E. Frem. 12.10

S. Frem. 40.18; W. Perth 12.6
Perth 18.16; Subiaco 26.15

FINALS

SEPTEMBER 12
Sth. Frem. 19.14; E. Perth 13.10

SEPTEMBER 19
Claremont 14.24; Swans 12.9

SEPTEMBER 27
Preliminary final

OCTOBER 3
Grand final

WAFU

Club	Colours	P'ships
EAST FREM.	Blue and White (Old Easts)	25
WEST PERTH	Card. Red, Blue Sash (Cardinals)	15
EAST PERTH	Royal Blue and Black (Royals)	14
SOUTH FREM.	Black with Red V (Bulldogs)	10
PERTH	Black with Red Sash (Demons)	7
SUBIACO	Gld., Maroon Lion Mono (Lions)	5
CLAREMONT	Navy Blue with Gold Sash (Tigers)	4
SWAN DIST.	Black and White Stripes (Swans)	3

VFL

Club	Colours	P'ships
COLLINGWOOD	Black & White Vert. Stripes (Magpies)	13
CARLTON	Navy Blue, White Monogram (Blues)	12
ESSENDON	Black with Red Sash (Bombers)	12
MELBOURNE	Royal Blue, Red V (Demons)	12
RICHMOND	Black with Gold Sash (Tigers)	10
FITZROY	Maroon, Bl. Col., Gld. Mono. (Lions)	8
GEELONG	Navy Blue, White Hoops (Cats)	6
HAWTHORN	Brown, Gold Vert. Stripes (Hawks)	4
STH. MELB.	White with Red V (Swans)	3
NTH. MELB.	Ryl. Blue, White Vert. Stripes (Kangaroos)	2
FOOTSCRAY	Ryl. Blue, Red & White Bds. (Bulldogs)	1
ST. KILDA	Red, White, Bl. Vert. Panels (Saints)	1

SANFL

Club	Colours	P'ships
PORT	Black & White Stripes (Magpies)	26
NORWOOD	Navy Blue and Red (Redlegs)	24
STURT	Light Blue & Dark Blue (Double Blues)	12
SOUTH	Navy Blue with White (Patiblers)	11
NORTH	Red with White V (Roosters)	11
WEST	Red and Black Vert. Stripes (Wolves)	7
TORRENS	Blue with Gold Sash (Eagles)	4
GLENELG	Black with Gold Sash (Tigers)	2
CENTRAL	White, Blue & Red Stripes (Bulldogs)	-
WOODVILLE	Green & Gold Vert. Stripes (Peckers)	-

VFL

Matches played on grounds of first mentioned club except where indicated as follows:— (P) VFL Park; (S) Sydney and (B) Brisbane.

MARCH 28

Carlton 22.12, Richmond 12.10 (P)
Melbourne 16.16, Hawthorn 23.15
Geelong 10.17, Essendon 10.11
Nth. Melb. 21.19, Sth. Melb. 12.25
Fitzroy 20.13, Collingwood 22.27
Footscray 16.12, St. Kilda 23.19

APRIL 4

Fitzroy 23.17, Melb. 16.14 (P)
Sth. Melb. 16.14, Richmond 22.13
Hawthorn 16.11, Carlton 17.21
Collingwood 26.22, Footscray 13.6
Essendon 16.15, Nth. Melb. 15.9
St. Kilda 14.23, Geelong 16.13

APRIL 11

South Melb. 21.13, Hawthorn 18.9
Carlton 14.24, Fitzroy 12.20
Footscray 18.11, Melbourne 18.12
St. Kilda 19.21, Collingwood 23.19
North Melb. 15.26, Geelong 14.5
Richmond 17.16, Essendon 16.18

APRIL 18

N. Melb. 13.17, Richmond 17.22 (P)
Melbourne 10.16, St. Kilda 16.32
Fitzroy 25.29, S. Melbourne 14.16

APRIL 20

Footscray 11.10, Carlton 15.14 (P)
Geelong 9.14, Collingwood 11.10
Essendon 11.13, Hawthorn 13.16

APRIL 25

Fitzroy 19.11, Essendon 15.14 (P)
South Melb. 18.22, Footscray 9.14
Carlton 19.23, St. Kilda 10.13
Hawthorn 17.16, North Melb. 11.17
Coll'wood 21.20, Melbourne 13.5
Richmond 15.22, Geelong 11.18

MAY 2

St. Kilda 13.15, S. Melb. 15.13 (P)
F'scray 13.13, Essendon 12.11
N. Melb 27.17, Fitzroy 19.12
Carlton 12.15, C'wood 22.12
Richmond 10.19, H'thorn 23.16

MAY 9

Geelong 22.22, Melb. 16.7 (S)
N. Melb. 17.16, Footscray 7.12 (P)
Essendon 14.17, St. Kilda 11.10
Coll'wood 18.15, Sth. Melb. 7.16
Fitzroy 13.14, Richmond 12.16
Melbourne 8.8, Carlton 12.24
Hawthorn 8.8, Geelong 7.17

MAY 16

Col'wood 14.3, Essendon 21.18 (P)
Sth. Melb. 17.25, Melb. 12.11
Geelong 12.8, Carlton 12.13
Hawthorn 21.18, Fitzroy 16.19
St. Kilda 8.16, Nth. Melb. 25.18
Richmond 25.17, Footscray 17.15

MAY 23

Richmond 20.16, St. Kilda 15.15 (P)
Footscray 10.14, Hawthorn 11.18
Carlton 25.23, Sth. Melb. 11.7
Fitzroy 13.15, Geelong 16.18
Melb. 10.10, Essendon 14.20
Nth. Melb. 12.26, Col'wood 16.15

MAY 30

Melb. 6.7, Nth. Melb. 25.22 (P)
Col'wood 17.10, Richmond 8.9
Geelong 14.8, Sth. Melb. 10.10
Fitzroy 22.15, Footscray 10.10
Hawthorn 13.17, St. Kilda 11.14
Essendon 11.13, Carlton 6.8

JUNE 6

Richmond 20.16, Melbourne 14.10
St. Kilda 14.15, Fitzroy 7.17
Carlton 17.13, North Melb 11.18

JUNE 8

Hawthorn 18.19, Col'wood 12.9
South Melb 12.8, Essendon 15.18
Footscray 12.10, Geelong 17.15

JUNE 13

Richmond 19.12, S. Melb. 16.15
Footscray 13.15, C'wood 14.14
Nth. Melb. 13.12, Essendon 18.29
Melbourne 13.12, Fitzroy 17.32
Carlton 21.13, Hawthorn 14.16
Geelong 19.21, St. Kilda 4.11

JUNE 20

Melb. 14.10, F'cray 19.11 (P)
Essen. 12.22, R'mond 13.12
Hawthorn 20.18, S. Mel. 15.16
C'wood 19.14, St. Kilda 10.11
Fitzroy 20.11, Carlton 15.16
Geelong 26.14, N. Melb. 8.8

JUNE 27

Col'wood 13.8, G'long 9.14 (P)
S. Melb 9.16, Fitzroy 14.9
Cl'ton 15.25, F'cray 5.4
R'mond 21.23, N. Melb 15.16
St. Kilda 18.19, Melb. 8.7

JUNE 28

H'thorn 20.13, E'don 21.19 (B)
JULY 4
Tasmania 16.12, Vic 31.20
JULY 4
Carlton 6.14, St. Kilda 5.5
Fitzroy 8.13, Essen. 11.14
N. Melb 7.13, Haw. 16.19

JULY 11

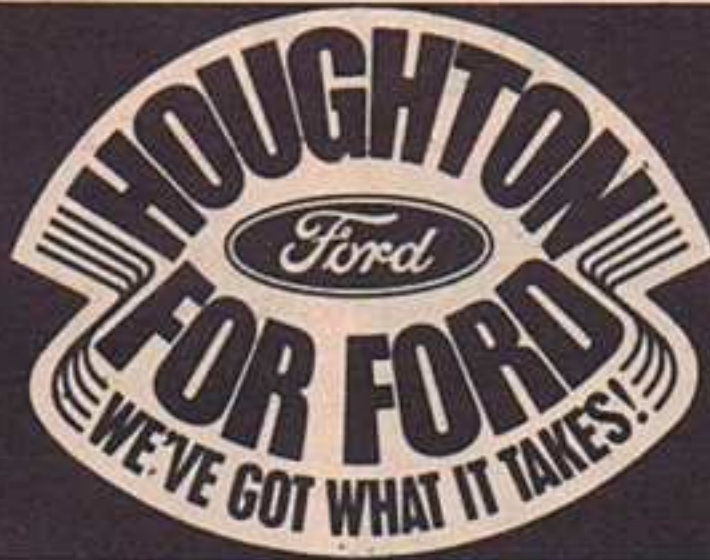
F'cray 7.9, Sth. Melb. 17.12
Melb. 10.6, C'wood. 12.16
Geelong 12.10, Richmond 8.4

JULY 12

Q'land 12.18, Victoria 32.29
JULY 18
Fitzroy 18.13, N Mel 12.15
S. Mel 22.19, St. Kilda 16.4
Essendon 22.21, F'scray 8.12
C'wood 11.11, Carlton 10.16
Melb. 12.7, Geelong 22.35
H'thorn 12.14, R'mond 20.11

JULY 25

Carlton 23.15; Mel



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WAFL



CLAREMONT	2.1	7.11	10.18	14.24	108
SWAN DISTRICTS	3.4	8.4	10.7	12.9	81

SCORERS: CLAREMONT: J. Krakouer 4.5; Ralph 4.2; Malaxos 1.4; P. Krakouer 1.2; Harper, Panizza 1.1; Farmer, Watson 1.0; Kanther 0.3; Beecroft, Jamieson 0.2; Daniels, Shaw 0.1; forced 0.1. SWAN DISTRICTS: Baker 2.2; Sidebottom 2.1; Boucher 2.0; P. Narkle 1.2; Beasley 1.1; Blackaby, Cransberg, Langford, Shine 1.0; Melrose, Neesham 0.1; forced 0.1.

UMPIRES: D. Gillies, R. Phillips. Swan Districts won toss and kicked with breeze to eastern end. Free-kicks: CLAREMONT: 9, 8, 11, 6-34; out-of-bounds 6; 15m 2. SWAN DISTRICTS: 9, 6, 9, 6-30; out-of-bounds 5; 15m 2. Played at Subiaco Oval, attendance 33,478.

CLAREMONT	Kicks	Marks	H/pass	SWANS	Kicks	Marks	H/pass
Jim Krakouer	2	19	8	Leon Baker	8	18	4
Noel Morton	4	7	3	Darryl Sutton	8	9	7
Alan Daniels	1	8	4	Ed Blackaby	5	12	3
Bradley Reynolds	2	8	1	Ron Boucher	4	5	2
Phillip Krakouer	1	17	12	Ross Fitzgerald	5	9	5
Stephen Malaxos	3	7	2	Craig Holden	2	8	3
Michael Aitken	6	12	5	Keith Narkle	0	8	3
Gary Shaw	1	10	4	Don Langford	3	12	2
Brett Farmer	0	3	3	Bill Skwirowski	7	13	4
Lindsay Kanther	2	12	10	Stan Nowotny	3	9	7
Peter Jamieson	5	7	5	Alan Cransberg	2	4	1
Warren Ralph	3	8	1	Graham Melrose	5	24	8
Baden Harper	3	8	4	Simon Beasley	3	4	4
Gerald Betts	3	7	2	Alan Sidebottom	8	8	4
Graham Moss	6	10	4	Gerard Neesham	4	11	10
Barry Beecroft	7	17	11	Murray Rance	0	0	1
Mark Watson	4	17	11	Jon Fogarty	1	9	6
Tom Pearce	4	9	6	Brad Shine	0	1	1
Wayne Blackwell	5	13	6	Tom Mullooly	1	7	3
Darrell Panizza	2	14	5	Phil Narkle	3	21	7
TOTAL	64	211	97	TOTAL	72	183	85

HOW THEY LINED UP

CLAREMONT: Backs: Harper, Betts, Pearce; Half-backs: Reynolds, Aitken, Morton; Centre: P. Krakouer, Blackwell, Panizza; Half-forward: Shaw, Moss, Farmer; Forwards: J. Krakouer, Ralph, Malaxos; Ruck: Beecroft, Kanther, Watson; Interchange: Jamieson, Daniels.

SWAN DISTRICTS: Backs: Skwirowski, Mullooly, Holden; Half-backs: Fogarty, Sutton, Fitzgerald; Centres: P. Narkle, Melrose, K. Narkle; Half-forwards: Nowotny, Cransberg, Baker; Forwards: Boucher, Beasley, Shine; Ruck: Sidebottom, Neesham, Langford; Interchange: Blackaby, Rance.

W.A.F.L. RESERVES

EAST PERTH	4.4	8.7	9.9	11.15	81
SWAN DISTRICTS	1.3	4.3	9.5	12.8	80

SCORERS: EAST PERTH: Scott 3.0; Arnold 2.4; Lee, Loxley 2.1; Seal 1.1; Carpenter 1.0; Doyle, Hall 0.2; Edwards 0.1; forced 0.3. SWAN DISTRICTS: Hutton 4.1; Holmes 3.2; Wilson 1.3; Trew, Egan 1.1; Kerr, I. Williams 1.0.

BEST: EAST PERTH: Ironmonger, O'Keefe, Loxley, Doyle, Scott, Edwards. SWAN DISTRICTS: Trew, Holmes, Solin, Hutton, Wilson, McDonald.

W.A.F.L. COLTS

EAST FREMANTLE	5.5	5.11	9.16	11.24	90
SUBIACO	2.2	5.2	9.7	10.9	69

SCORERS: EAST FREMANTLE: Gibb, Perry, Bennett 2; Herrington, Jenzen, Tempra, Harding, Ashdown 1. SUBIACO: Brewer 3; G. Kelly, Staples 2; P. Cook, Goad, Merfield 1.

BEST: EAST FREMANTLE: Harding, Milburn, Lewis, Jenzen, Perry, Bennett. SUBIACO: Brewer, Staples, Fosberry, Goad, G. Kelly, Rimmer.

VFL



PRELIMINARY FINAL

COLLINGWOOD	3.5	5.8	9.10	12.10	82
GEE LONG	1.3	6.5	10.8	11.9	75

SCORERS: COLLINGWOOD: Daicos 4; Kink 3; Stewart 2; Davis, Williams, R. Shaw. GEE LONG: Mossop 3; Lunn 3; Bruns 2; Blake, Yeates, Taylor.

BEST: COLLINGWOOD: McCormack, Cooper, Byrne, Williams, Daicos, Picken, Barham, Davis. GEE LONG: Peake, Malarkey, Blake, I. Nankervis, Murre, Featherby, Yeates. Played at V.F.L. Park, attendance 69,536.

SANFL



FIRST SEMI-FINAL

NORWOOD	7.8	8.10	12.16	19.19	133
SOUTH ADELAIDE	0.1	2.3	3.11	6.14	50

SCORERS: NORWOOD: Hartfield, Turbill 4; Laughlin, Jenkins 3; M. Aish, Thomas 2; Nicholoney 1. SOUTH ADELAIDE: Collins, Linke 2; Slatery, Naley 1.

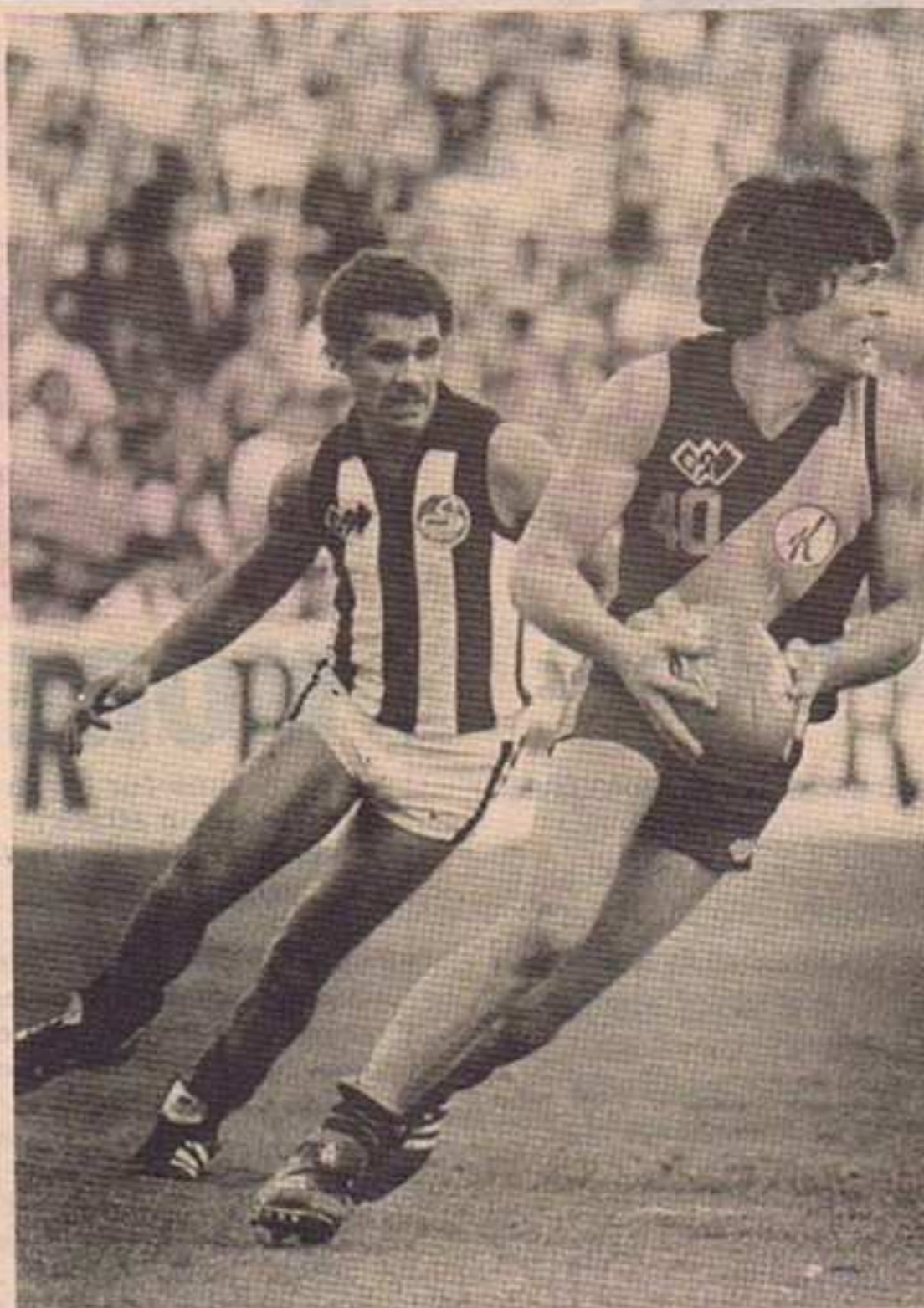
BEST: NORWOOD: Nicholson, Gallagher, Jenkins, Thiel, M. Aish, Stemper, Thomas. SOUTH ADELAIDE: Hawkins, White, Collins, Baynes. Played at Football Park, attendance 23,746.

SECOND SEMI-FINAL

PORT ADELAIDE	4.9	13.11	18.12	22.15	147
GLENELG	1.3	4.4	9.9	13.15	93

SCORERS: PORT ADELAIDE: Evans 6; Bradley 4; Cunningham 2; Granger 2; Ebert 2; Clifford, Abernethy, Cahill, Martyn, Kinneer, Natt. GLENELG: Carey 3; Brown 2; Kernahan 2; Phillips 2; Weston 2; Marshall, Rady.

BEST: PORT ADELAIDE: Abernethy, Martyn, Ebert, Eckermann, Johnston. GLENELG: Weston, Brown, Copping, Carey. Played at Football Park, attendance 35,002.



Darrell Panizza breaks clear of Keith Narkle.



Warren Ralph marks safely in front of Tom Mullooly.



Baden Harper marks from behind the pack.

OTHER COMPETITIONS

TASMANIA

T.A.N.F.L.

GRAND FINAL

CL'ENCE 15.23 (113) d N. FOLK 13.10 (88)
GOALS: CLARENCE: Vanderfeen 4; Garlick, Morriss 3; Lyons, Hubble 2; Moorcroft. NEW NORFOLK: Burbury, Foster 3; Cross, David Munnings 2; Fox, Thompson, Dan Munnings. BEST: CLARENCE: Moles, Riswoldt, Vanderfeen, Lyons, Noye. NEW NORFOLK: Adams, Dykes, Cross, Crane, Burbury.

WINFIELD CHAMPIONSHIP

N. LAUN. 18.17 (125) d D'PORT 12.13 (85)
GOALS: NORTH LAUNCESTON: Reid, R. Young, Mackrill, Knight 3; Hay 2; Hunnbell, Downes, Hughes, S. Young. DEVONPORT: Hummel 3; Dawkins, R. Brown 2; Wilkinson, Lewis, Courtney, Buckley, Manassa. BEST: NORTH LAUNCESTON: S. Young, Clark, Mackrill, Hunnbell, Knight, Loone, Downes. DEVONPORT: Gross, Perry, Buckley, Williams, Cox.

CANBERRA

GRAND FINAL

MANUKA 18.18 (126) d AINSLIE 15.14 (104)
GOALS: MANUKA: Whatman 4; Kenny 3; Lenihan 3; Short 2; Bennett, McEhinney, Harriss, Maiden, Grigg, Dale. AINSLIE: McCormick 3; Neale 3; Brock 2; Bellchambers 2; Mooney 2; Nolan 2; Senjov. BEST: MANUKA: Quade, Harriss, Lenihan, Franklin, Grigg. AINSLIE: Holford, C. Smith, Bellchambers, Croser, McCormick.

SYDNEY

GRAND FINAL

E. SYDNEY 4.3 13.9 17.10 19.16 130
NEWTOWN 1.6 2.9 3.14 3.23 41
GOALS: EAST SYDNEY: Axford 6; Ruscuklic 6; Jennings 4; Harris, Spalding, Davis. NEW TOWN: McCook, Kekovich, Hamilton. BEST: EAST SYDNEY: Axford, Jennings, Ruscuklic, Davis, Luhrs. NEWTOWN: Pilkington, Hamilton. Played at Erskineville Oval.

BRISBANE

PRELIMINARY FINAL

ZILLMERE 4.6 6.9 17.12 23.15 153
MOR'SIDE 4.3 5.7 8.12 18.14 122
GOALS: ZILLMERE: Barwick 5; Payne 4; Pie 3; Gumbleton, Adams, Yull 2; M. Brittain, McKay, Weller, Karklis, Dickfos. MORNING SIDE: Calle 8; Blair 6; Ledger 2; Bovill, Parker. BEST: ZILLMERE: Barwick, Gumbleton, Lawrie, Payne, Bennet, Dickfos. MORNINGSIDE: Warren, Calle, Blair, Ebert, Ledger, Durward. Played at Brisbane Cricket Ground.

W.A.F.A.

GRAND FINAL

Wanneroo 17.13 b South Perth 13.9. BEST: WANNEROO: Parker, Allen, Northcott, Heath, Senior, Fuller. SOUTH PERTH: Marshall, Coates, Castle, Whyte, Anstee.

SOUTH SUBURBAN

PRELIMINARY FINAL

Gosnells 17.26 (Best: Williams, Jones, Myles) b Kwinana 12.8 (Indich, Groenberger, Micale).

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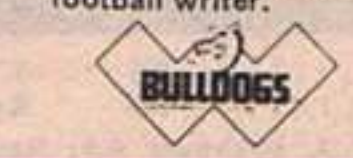
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MORE ATTACK NEEDED

It is time for Swan Districts coach John Todd to take the emphasis off defence and put it on attack.

Swans could afford to feel relatively satisfied last Saturday with the job Bill Skwirowski did against Jim Krakouer and very happy with Craig Holden's work against Stephen Malaxos.

But, they ran out of legs in the second half, struggled to get the ball out of the centre and their forwards couldn't kick goals when the ball got down their area.

This week we must see a better balanced Swans lineup with heavy emphasis placed on the "crumb gatherers" at the fall of the ball. This is an area where Claremont ran riot.

Both Swan Districts and Claremont fell down badly at centre-half-forward on Saturday, but Claremont found a saviour again in Peter Jamieson.

He made an enormous contribution when he came onto the ground. His willingness to run, create opportunities for others and hand-ball to players going past really lifted the side.

One final word on the second semi-final. Claremont's winning margin should have been much greater and the performance of their backline — underestimated for most of the season — was tremendous.

MOVE IS ON

South Melbourne are 99 per cent certain of moving to Sydney next season, according to their new coach, Ricky Quade.

Speaking with him before Saturday's second semi-final, Quade said that this was the only answer to their poor financial position.

He said that by making the move to Sydney they could expect to pick up sponsorship of between \$500,000 and \$1 million.

CABLE PREPARING

North Melbourne coach Barry Cable is back in Melbourne this week preparing for next year's VFL season.

He is carrying out player interviews, team meetings and setting a programme for his

charges till he returns to Melbourne at Christmas.

This is quite a workload before he returns to Perth for the grand final here.

Cable expects North to gradually reduce their interstate recruiting to look to local and country players to develop their playing ranks.

The signs are already showing — 10 local boys made their debut for North Melbourne in 1981.

GROUND SHARING

During the year I broached the subject of ground sharing and said it was necessary for our game to develop.

It was interesting to hear WAFL general manager Peter Bowler agree with me when I spoke to him last week about this matter.

I am sure that this would result in more undercover facilities and in return bigger crowds.

PERSISTENT 'WOODS

Collingwood have made it again to the VFL grand final, one of the great sporting spectacles in Australia.

Collingwood have proved that persistence combined with a little bit of luck, always gives you a chance.

Tom Hafey — as any good coach should — has great confidence in his players and they haven't let him down in the last two weeks.

IMPRESSIVE

One player who has really impressed me this season is Mike Aitken, the young Claremont centre-half-back.

Many people don't believe that he is big enough to hold down this key position but on Saturday, after a nervous start, he played a great game.

He is a true team player that has that little bit of extra dash that makes him turn defence into attack all the time.

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