



# I WANT HIM BACK

## ... MAL BROWN



By  
**GARY  
STOCKS**

South Fremantle coach Mal Brown would welcome the return of football's most volatile character Mark Jackson.

And don't be surprised if he is back here again before the end of the season.

Jackson is known throughout Australia for his on-field outbursts and has indicated he would like to come back to WA to continue his football career.

Mal Brown — the man Jackson walked out on the eve of the 1979 grand final — would welcome him back with open arms.

"I believe he has a contract with Melbourne but South Fremantle would very much like to have him back .

"We need a strong marking player and he would be ideal," Brown says. "He is a character of football and he is popular with the South Fremantle supporters".

### Hair cut cult

He is also popular with Melbourne fans where he has a cult following of youngsters with the familiar Jackson hair cut.

The fiery crew-cutted forward has a habit of incurring the wrath of officialdom and although the VFL season is only three weeks old he has already found himself in hot water.

The giant full forward was suspended in the second match on a striking charge and took a two week holiday.

He spent some of his time in WA and trained with South Fremantle.

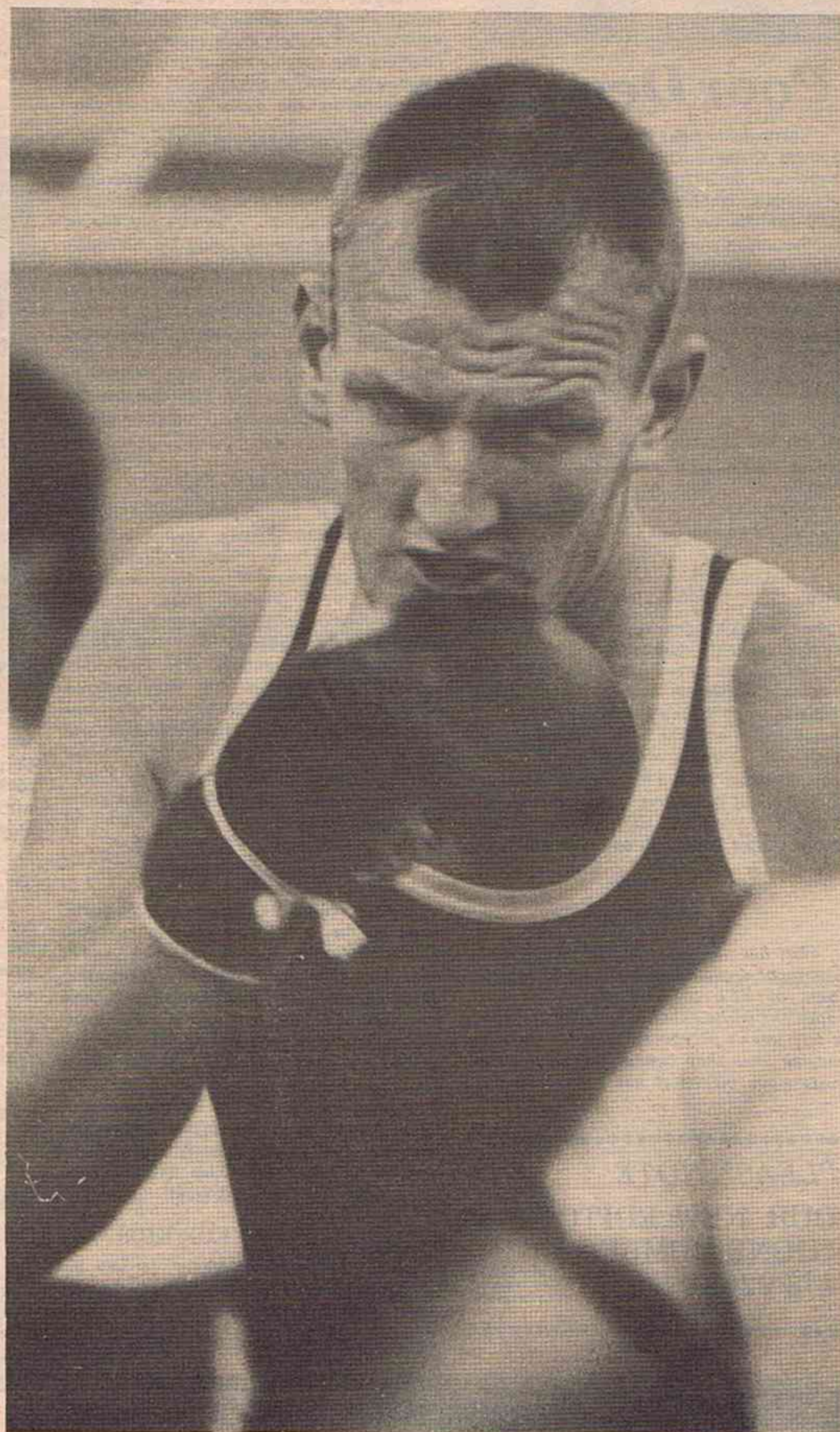
Before the season even got under way Jackson was in trouble with his club after a confrontation with Melbourne skipper Robbie Flower.

He then stormed off the training track and incurred a \$1,000 fine from the club.

It could be that Jackson has had enough of the VFL.

He left WA without notice and on departure said he was going to play in the big league instead of the little league over here.

**ALSO SEE BACK PAGE**



*Mr volatile — Mark Jackson sparred with the South Fremantle players before Monday's match and photographer Richie Hann was there to catch the action. Jackson could be back in action with the Bulldogs sooner than many people think.*

## WIN WITH WESTSIDE

This week we continue with our new Qantas-Travel-time International Pick the Winners contest which has a trip to Bali on offer at the end of the season. All you have to do to have a chance of winning this fabulous prize is to tip four winners and go into the barrel for the big draw at the end of the year. See details page 7.



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## Poor Dennis

Everyone is right into Falcons coach Dennis Cometti this week after they have lost their first game. The photographers sought him out on the boundary line for the typical head-in-hands shot of the losing coach — and even his ABC boss, George Grljusich, didn't miss him as the cameras focused on the off-duty commentator as he tried to stir his charges up at three-quarter time against Swans. One interesting point about Cometti's coaching role — he must now realise how poor a view of the game the coaches get when they have to sit on the boundary line compared to the elevated view most media have. Maybe he'll start a move for more coach's boxes . . .

### LOGO CHANGE

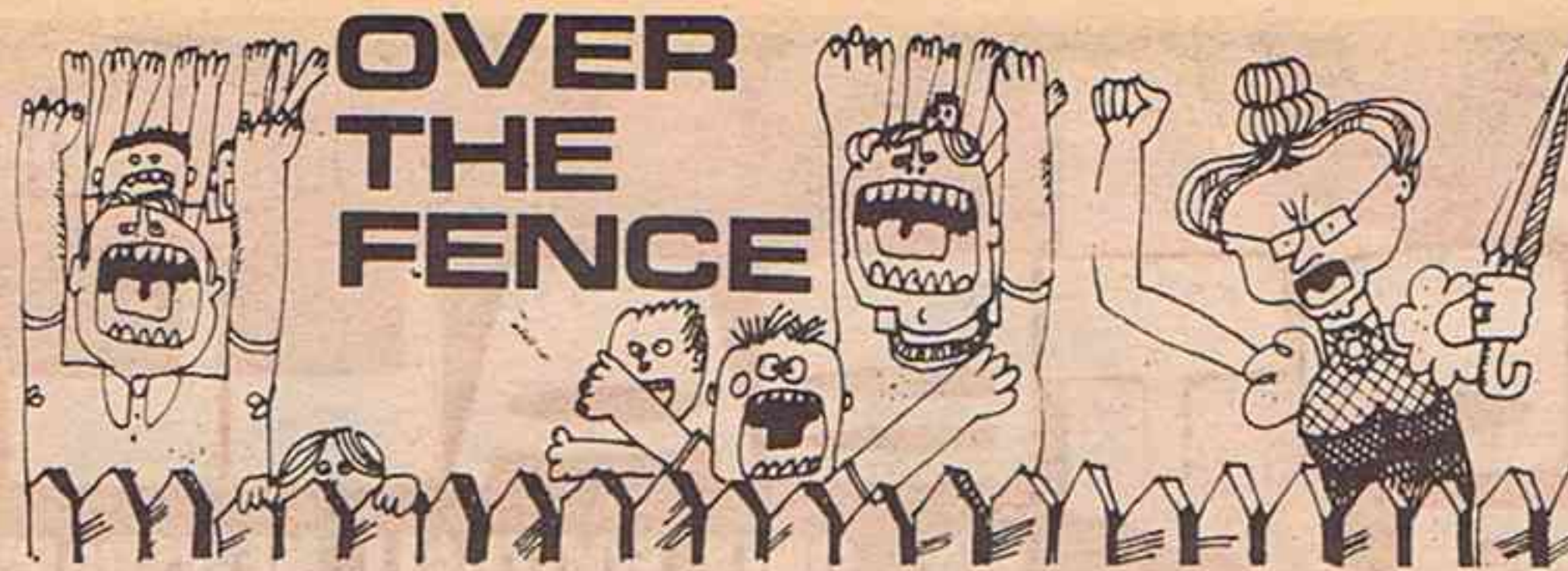
Did you notice that VFL team Collingwood have changed their sponsors' logo on their playing guernseys? The Magpies are heavily sponsored by Yakka, who also sponsor East Perth in the WAFL. Their slogan is Hard Yakka — a term that figures prominently on the old scoreboard at Perth Oval — and their logo identification has previously been a prominent Y on the Collingwood guernseys. But now it has changed to the words Hard Yakka. Wonder whether East Perth will change next year?

### CENSORED?

What has happened to one of the most prominent arena signs at Moorabbin Oval, home of VFL club St Kilda? Did you notice the white expanse just near the wing in last week's playbacks? It seems hard to imagine that they cannot sell such prime spots — or maybe it has been censored!

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### ALEXANDER'S SHUFFLE

EAST Fremantle coach Ron Alexander has caused a few heartaches within the football media with his decision to constantly shuffle his side around each week, departing quite considerably from the announced line-up. It's every coach's right, of course, to alter his team placings. But one wonders who ends up the more confused — the media trying to work out where the players are playing or the forwards who are playing in defence one week and attack the next week . . . or vice versa. Another strange Alexander act caught the eye of the media on Monday when he let vice-captain Jim Sewell rev the players up before the game. Alexander, out of action with a thigh muscle strain, was content to head for the coach's box as Sewell and the players gathered in a group just outside the tunnel before the game got under way.

### EXPERIENCE PAYS

East Fremantle defender-cum-forward Brian Needle has learnt plenty of tricks in his years in defence . . . and he put one of them to good use to bring up his side's sixth goal against Subiaco on Monday. Needle, playing at full-forward, led out quickly in search of a pass from a teammate downfield, but suddenly propped and stopped when the ball went over his head. His Lion rival ran straight into his back — and rookie umpire Reg Salis fell for the ruse and awarded the East Fremantle player a free kick.

### WHERE'S THE FOOTY?

Radio 6PR experienced one of those days on Monday. Firstly, their Fremantle Oval man, Peter Van Helden, was electronically stranded as they had line trouble to the ground. Then, to make matters worse for the Subiaco Oval commentators Brien Thirley and Bob Hicks, the station was inundated with TAB commitments. In the one day they covered races from Caulfield, Randwick, Belmont and Geraldton, trots from Bunbury and greyhounds from Mandurah. Studio announcer Steve Gordon — a keen South Fremantle fan — was probably the hardest working media man in town . . . and he hardly knew how his side was going.

### HARDIE TOPS

South Fremantle's man-of-many parts, Brad Hardie, picked up nine votes in the Marlboro player-of-the-round award to hit the front this week after his devastating game against Claremont. Hardie was used in attack and gave Souths that added goal-kicking impetus they needed. He has now moved to 16 votes in the \$1000 award for the first series (seven rounds of qualifying football) in the Marlboro award. He is two clear of Mike Richardson (Swans) and Rod Lester-Smith (East Fremantle) who picked up five and nine votes respectively last weekend.

### FREE ENTRY FOR KIDS

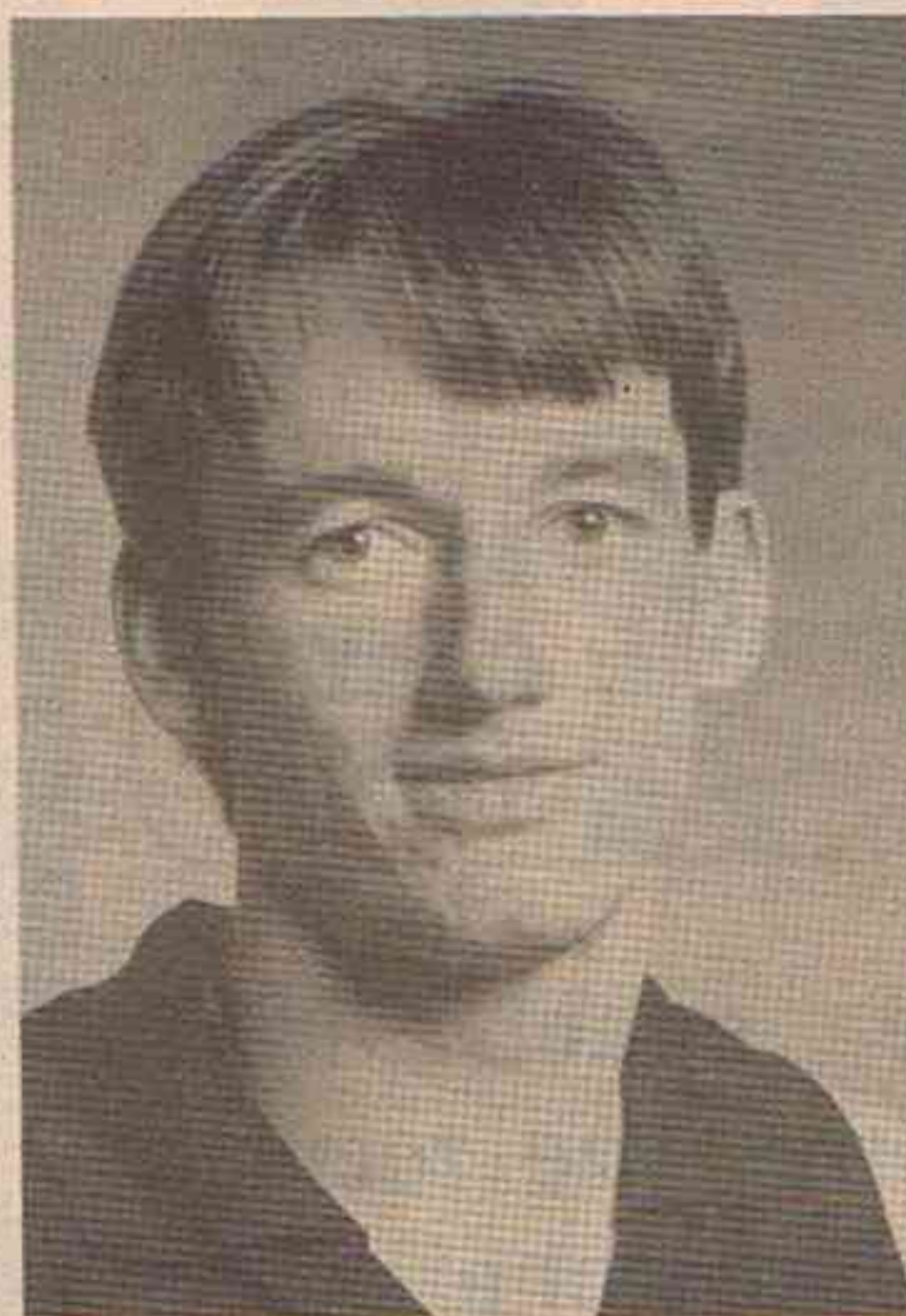
Children under the age of 16 will be admitted to this weekend's four league matches free of charge if they produce one of Town and Country's fixture cards at the gates.

### MILLER'S PLEA

Rookie Perth coach Ian Miller was understandable disappointed at his side's loss to East Perth last Saturday. The Demons had their chances to win the match but faded in the last term. At the presentation after the match Miller urged the club's members to provide greater vocal support for their players as they would inspire their teams to greater heights. He also said that his players showed a complete lack of discipline in the last term and he will be after better performances from them.

### YOUNG BATTLE

The clash between Perth and East Perth last week provided some interesting tussles. One which drew a lot of attention was on a wing between two youngsters. Greg Carpenter made his debut for the



Greg Carpenter

Royals and Oral McGuire was playing in just his second match for the Demons. Carpenter has plenty of ability and looks to be a player of the future. He was the winner of the battle before McGuire was moved onto the ball.

### BAD LUCK

Michael O'Connell could be out of action for up to eight weeks. That is the bad news for the Claremont camp. The youngster who has broken a bone in his ankle, has shown maturity beyond his years in his two matches with the Tigers and his loss will be felt in the already depleted Claremont defence.

### OOPS, SORRY . . .

Would you believe that the gremlins can even get into our almost-infallible Westside Football operation? Last week, on this page, we carried a picture of a lucky young lady who won a television set for correctly nominating the number of footballs in the Marlboro car at the Perth Oval game between East Perth and Swans. Sorry, Mrs G. Watts, of Padbury, we gave you the wrong name! These things will happen, but belated congratulations anyway.

# Smile

## It's your birthday



Chris Allen (EP)

23 on 21st

- Robbie Johnson (EF) 23 on 15th
- Bill Valli (S) 32 on 16th
- Dean Warwick (WP) 19 on 18th
- Gary Armstrong (S) 21 on 18th
- Jim Durnan (C) 22 on 18th
- David Whillas (C) 22 on 19th
- Peter Mowat (S) 26 on 20th
- Alex Ishchenko (EP) 18 on 20th
- Allen Daniels (C) 23 on 21st
- Peter Kelleher (C) 22 on 21st
- Craig Edwards (EP) 21 on 25th



Graham Melrose

(SD)

33 on 20th



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## FORM GUIDE and THIS WEEK'S GAMES

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# SPORT

9am Sundays

SATURDAY, APRIL 17

EAST FREMANTLE — W, L, W . . . . . v South Fremantle at East Fremantle.  
CLAREMONT — W, W, L . . . . . v Subiaco at Claremont Oval  
EAST PERTH — L, L, W . . . . . v West Perth at Perth Oval  
PERTH — L, W, L . . . . . v Swan Districts at Lathlain  
SOUTH FREMANTLE — W, L, W . . . . . v East Fremantle at East Fremantle  
SUBIACO — L, L, L . . . . . v Claremont at Claremont  
WEST PERTH — W, W, L . . . . . v East Perth at Perth Oval  
SWAN DISTRICTS — L, W, W . . . . . v Perth at Lathlain Park

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FOOTBALLER OF THE YEAR

R. Lester-Smith . . . . . 8  
S. Malaxos . . . . . 6  
M. Richardson . . . . . 5

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GOALKICKER OF THE YEAR

W. Ralph (C) . . . . . 21  
S. Malaxos (C) . . . . . 17  
M. Richardson (SD) 15  
C. Stasinowsky (W) 13

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# BIG MEN COUNT

CONSTRUCTIVE coaching theories or tactics are based on the fact that the team has possession of the ball — possession is paramount.

What better way to gain possession than at the numerous bounce downs, throw-ins, and marking contests around the ground.

The skilful ruckman who can concentrate and apply himself for a full game is one of the most valuable tools that a coach can possess.

There is nothing more devastating than a talented and powerful ruckman in full flight. He can destroy the opposition almost single-handed with strong marking and accurate palming at the tap-outs.

He can actually control the game by clever use of his skills, creating opportunities for smaller skilful players around him and playing a kick behind the play to cut off any opposition attacking moves.

In the Escort Cup game last week when North Melbourne beat Claremont, we saw big Gary Dempsey camp himself across the half-back line in the last quarter. Together with the powerful Ross Glendinning he was able to effectively destroy any Claremont attacking moves.

In that same match it was the strong ruck work of Graham Moss in the first three quarters that kept Claremont in the game.

How many times have we seen ruckmen such as Stephen Michael, Moss, Ron Boucher — and in years gone by Polly Farmer, Brian Foley and Mike Fitzpatrick — hold complete command over a game like a giant policeman directing the traffic?

But big men with the necessary skills and mobility are rare, that is why the V.F.L. talent scouts are continually searching Australia-wide for players of this calibre.

Ever since the days of the great Polly Farmer the V.F.L. clubs have scooped the cream of W.A.'s big men.

Players such as Moss, Ron Alexander, Fitzpatrick, Glendinning, Gary Sidebottom, Bob Beecroft and Kevin Worthington are some of those lured away to prove extremely valuable to their new clubs.

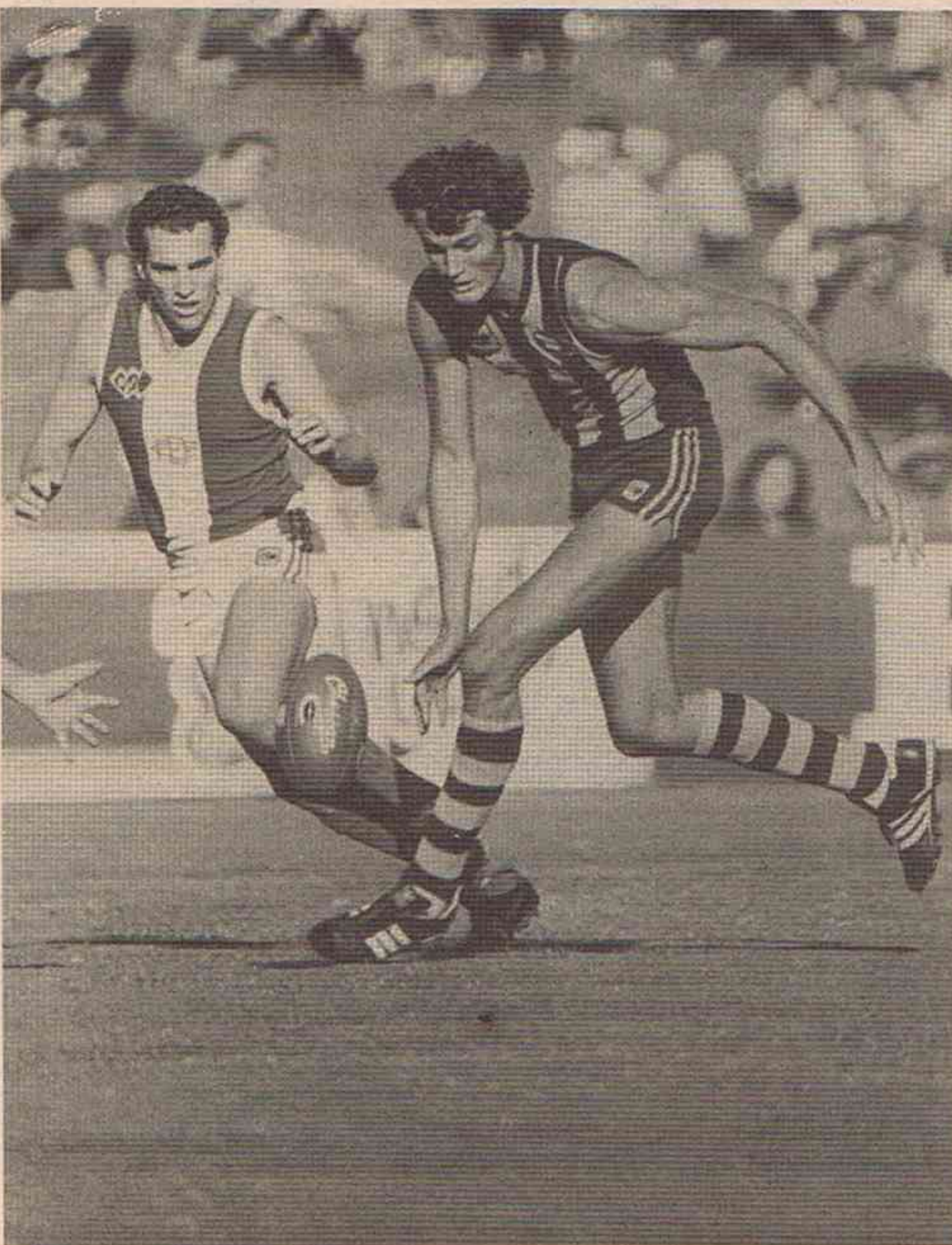


Graham Moss.....top class

It is obvious that Carlton are a much better side with Fitzpatrick firing. The Madden brothers have certainly lifted Essendon to premiership prospects and Fitzroy were a good side with Alexander at the helm.

A study of Brownlow Medallists of recent years further emphasises the importance of a skilful big man — Dempsey, Moss, Peter Moore, Graham Teasdale and Barry Round. Even in W.A. our last two Sandover Medals have been won by a ruckman, the brilliant Michael.

## Ruckmen high on talent scout list



Laurie Keene.....shaping up as an impressive star of tomorrow

### Talented big men

EVEN though we continue to lose top ruckmen to the V.F.L., W.A. have a habit of providing talented young big men to replace them.

This season has seen the blossoming into maturity of several young ruckmen. Laurie Keene (6' 7") from Subiaco has displayed a wide range of skills in marking, palming and ground play and is particularly mobile for a player of his height.

The duo from East Perth — Craig Edwards and John Ironmonger — have also shown marked improvement.

Their directing of the ball at bounce downs and throw-ins is excellent, but, in particular, their powerful high marking has stamped them as top ruckmen.

Swans are now reaping the reward of the talented Allan Sidebottom, and his new partner, Peter Sartori, is a rising star of the future.

Wayne Simms (Perth) at only 22 years of age and already with State representation, has many years of top football ahead of him.

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## CLUB EMBLEMS

A GOOD club logo is essential as players and supporters need a definite emblem with which to associate their loyalty.

A special logo, plus a club song helps to build tradition within a club.

Six of our league clubs have adopted excellent logos — Tigers, Bulldogs, Demons, Lions, Swans and now the Falcons.

Some West Perth supporters are not too receptive to the change from Cardies to Falcons. But after a few more wins like the one against South Fremantle the "Falcons" will become a household word around Leederville.

Congratulations to the designers of the Falcon logo, it is a beauty.

This leaves only two clubs without a definite logo. The Royals and Old Easts need a more definite association.

North Melbourne have adopted the good old Aussie kangaroo, but no-one has done so in W.A.



West Perth's young John Gavranich is another skilful ruckman who is on his way up.

These are the big men who are going to carry the burden of our State ruck for the next few years. If they keep improving at their present rate then W.A. has no fears in the big man department.

### Powerful ruckmen

THE team that wins a grand final must possess a powerful and talented ruckman who is able to control the game.

Think back to last year when Moss was in devastating form; in 1980 it was Michael who controlled the game and in 1979 the East Fremantle pair of Andrew Purser and Graeme Carter were in charge to make it so easy for their rovers in Tony Buhagiar and Kevin Taylor.

So, talented young ruckmen should be sought out, fostered, educated and encouraged by their respective clubs.

One day they could win a grand final for them.

How about East Fremantle becoming the "Roos". They are a team with plenty of spring and often carry small hidden surprises. Even the "Emus" would suit as they have always been fairly quick down that way.

East Perth appeal as the "Bears" (which is of course the Russian emblem) as they are a strong and powerful club that produces many excellent big men.

There is not a more exhilarating feeling than to be jammed into a packed club-rooms after a premiership win, singing your club song and waving your logo.

Logos are not only fun but big business.

Think of all the thousands of souvenirs showing the club logo; such as T-shirts, windcheaters, glasses, ash trays, coasters, pens, hats, etc, plus miniature logos that are sold each season.

The power of building and maintaining tradition within a football club should never be underestimated.



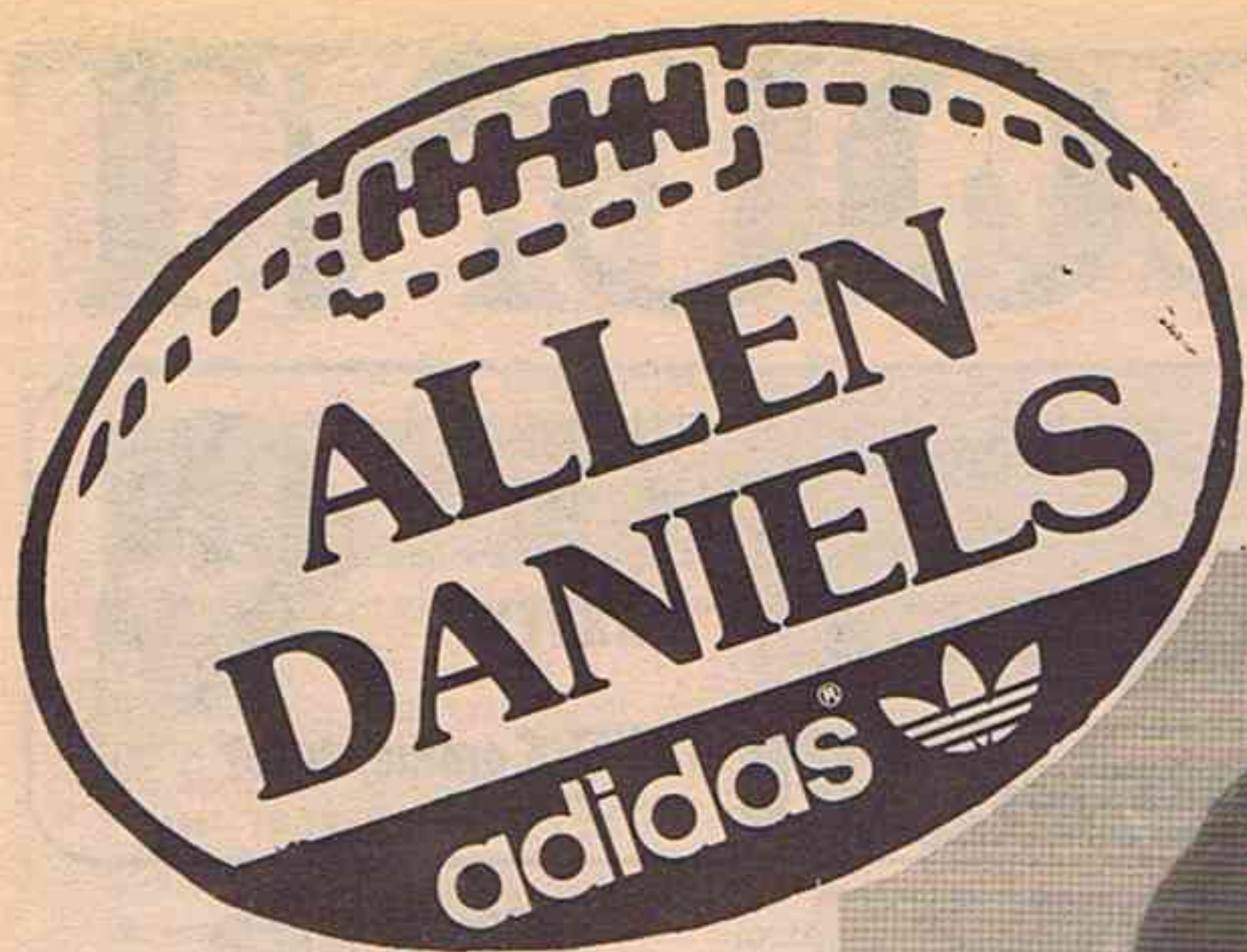
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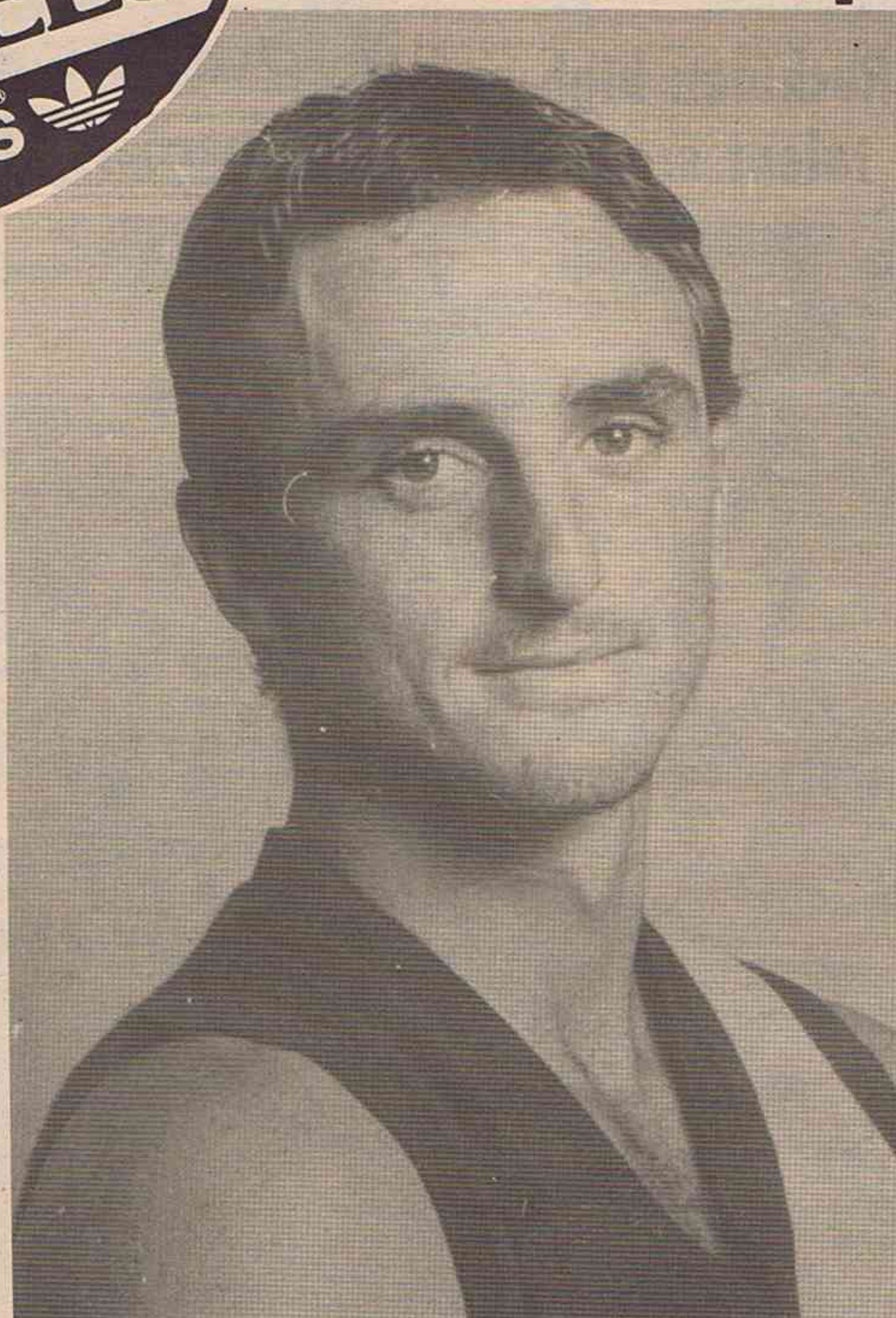
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# ... looking to further improvement



Allen Daniels.....a new look for 1982 and a new mood

One of the major reasons for Claremont's outstanding season in 1981 was a brilliant centreline.

Allen Daniels was one of the members of that line and he continually pumped the ball into the forward line where Warren Ralph, Steve Malaxos and Brett Farmer made the most of the opportunities.

Daniels had a poor season in his second season in league ranks but he was good enough to bounce back and was a member of the victorious Tigers premiership side.

He managed to get greater consistency about his game and developed into a key man in Claremont's most successful year for 17 years.

This year Daniels has his sights set on even further improvement and naturally he hopes he can figure in another premiership with the Tigers.

He has worked hard over the summer and is as fit as he has ever been.

Daniels was used as a ruck-rover in pre-season matches but at the start of the year he moved back to his customary role on a wing and has been in scintillating form.

He was among the best three players on the ground in each match and here he talks with Westside Football's GARY STOCKS and explains how he came to be playing league football with the Tigers.

**Q:** How difficult was the transition from country football to that in the city?

**A:** It's a lot different. When I came up here I started off in the colts and that was a lot faster. The players think a lot quicker and you have to have your wits about you all the time.

**Q:** On the way up did you ever think about throwing it all in and going back to amateur football?

**A:** I had a couple of bad runs where I maybe considered it, but never with any real seriousness.

**Q:** How hard was it to break into league football?

**A:** Hard to break in at the first. In my first season of league football I played the first seven games in reserves and it was difficult maintaining consistency and holding my place once I got the chance.

**Q:** How did you adapt your lifestyle after living at home in the country and then coming up to Perth to live on your own?

**A:** I was young when I came up, fresh out of school but I managed to adapt quite quickly. It was probably a little harder because I had lived at home all the time.

**Q:** What sacrifices did you have to make to get to the top?

**A:** I had to train a lot harder and I have given up smoking. I also had to cut down on my mid-week entertainment to the point where it doesn't exist any more.

**Q:** Was it all worth it?

**A:** Yes I think so. The rewards by far outweigh the sacrifices. I always wanted to play league football and if it meant giving up a few things I had to do it.

**Q:** Have you had any major setbacks on your way to becoming a regular league player?

**A:** After my first season in league football I suffered from the second year blues. I was down on form that year and only managed to get one league game and I

broke my leg and that did not help too much.

**Q:** What influence did Syd Duffall have on your career?

**A:** In my first few seasons in reserves and colts Syd was my coach and he always had faith in me, although at times he had a funny way of showing it. But I appreciate what he did for me. I am just one of a lot of young guys he coached in the early days who are playing league football at the moment.

**Q:** He was a hard task master. How did you feel about it at the time?

**A:** At the time I had some reservations about it but I got through and the fact that he kept pushing me and telling me to keep at it was helpful.

**Q:** Has anyone else had a big influence on your career?

**A:** Graham Moss has had a pretty big influence especially over the last year and a half where I have been looking to stabilise my position in the side. Also Murray Ward. He has a different approach to the game. An approach which was foreign to Claremont and myself and I think that I adjusted my game accordingly. He developed the players so that they had a great deal more flexibility in that they could play a number of positions rather than just one position. Therefore I changed my approach to the type of football he wanted me to play.

**Q:** Did that different approach have a big effect on Claremont winning the premiership last year?

**A:** Yes most definitely. Murray played a big role off the ground and it was the type of football he and Graham Moss got us to play which eventually saw us win the big one. It was a tremendous feeling to win a flag.

**Q:** Last year you established yourself as a regular league player with some pretty good games on a wing. Were you happy with your own personal performances?

**A:** Yes, I was very pleased except that I copped an injury at the end of the season which kept me out of the 18 for the grand final. But overall I was very pleased. After all it's not every year that you win a premiership.

**Q:** What was the injury?

**A:** I burst a blood vessel in my leg which kept me in bed for a couple of days because I couldn't walk. And then I trained on it too early in an effort to get fit for the grand final and put some good games behind me before the final round. But by going back too early it started bleeding again and that kept me out for another two weeks. At the same time I strained the ligaments in the side of my leg on the same day that I burst the blood vessel.

**Q:** You are still studying at teacher's college part-time while working as a gardener. How hard has it been combining college with work and then both of those with football?

**A:** It's not really that hard because at the moment my actual time at college even from when I first started, has been only 20 hours a week so I didn't find it much trouble.

**Q:** Did it help by coming up with a number of other players when you made the initial move to join Claremont?

**A:** Yes it did. Darrell Panizza and a few other guys who have since gone back to Albany started in the same year and it was good to have a few familiar faces around.

**Q:** What are you aiming at now?

**A:** It would be great to win another premiership this year and from a personal point of view I want to consolidate my place in the side and play consistently every week.

**Q:** In pre-season matches you played as a ruck rover instead of your usual wing position. Do you have any preference for either position?

**A:** I think I prefer the wing because of the fact that I have played most of my football there and now, hopefully I am beginning to get it down to a bit of an art. Ruck-roving gives you more of a licence to run and that is a part of the game I enjoy so I did like it in that way.

## INJURY TOLL

West Perth, the pre-season boom team, are rocked by a spate of injuries to senior players... and several other clubs have suffered set backs with serious injuries to young stars.

West Perth's list of casualties is heart breaking for new coach Dennis Cometti - Rod Alderton, Les Fong, Ben Jager, George Michalczyk, Michael O'Brien, Peter Murnane and Dan Foley.

Subiaco have lost star defender Ray Reeves with a badly wrenched knee; also Gary Armstrong with a broken ankle; East Perth have Rob Solin out with a broken bone in a leg and Claremont's young Michael O'Connell also has a broken bone in an ankle.

## adidas PLAYER PROFILE

Name: Allen Daniels  
Born: Collie 21.4.59  
Height: 5.11 (180 cm)  
Weight: 12.8 (80 kg)

Lives at: Cottesloe  
Married: No  
Occupation: Gardener

Favourite food: Marron  
Favourite drink: Beer  
Hobbies and relaxation: Watching other sports on television and reading

Football likes: Success, mateship.  
Football dislikes: Fickle supporters.  
Football idols: Malcolm Brown

Hard things in football: Playing consistently.  
Ambitions: To help Claremont win another premiership and play 100 games.

Nickname: Shorty  
Came from: North Albany

League debut: 1979  
Games played: 34  
Guernsey No.: 5

# OUR EXPERTS SELECT:

	Tally	E. Frem. v S. Frem.	Claremont v Subiaco	E. Perth v W. Perth	Perth v Swan Dist.
GRAHAM CAMPBELL	7	East Fremantle	Claremont	East Perth	Swan Districts
GARY STOCKS	7	South Fremantle	Claremont	East Perth	Swan Districts
ROBERT BENNETT	7	East Fremantle	Claremont	East Perth	Swan Districts
DAVE CLEMENT	9	South Fremantle	Claremont	West Perth	Swan Districts
ALAN EAST	8	South Fremantle	Claremont	East Perth	Swan Districts
IAN MILLER	7	East Fremantle	Claremont	East Perth	Perth
MOTHER BROWN	7	South Fremantle	Claremont	East Perth	Swan Districts
PETER POAT	7	South Fremantle	Claremont	West Perth	Swan Districts
GARY CARVOLTH	4	South Fremantle	Claremont	East Perth	Swan Districts
MOST FAVOURED	7	South Fremantle	Claremont	East Perth	Swan Districts

# Plenty at stake in Derby

Fremantle derbies are always great matches and this Saturday's clash should be no exception.

Both teams have won two games and will be keen to emerge with four premierships points in an effort to consolidate a place in the four.

A win for East Fremantle is most important.

If they beat South it means they have played three of the top four teams in the competition and beaten two of them.

In the first match of the season they recorded a magnificent victory over Swan Districts but then went down after a gallant fight to Claremont.

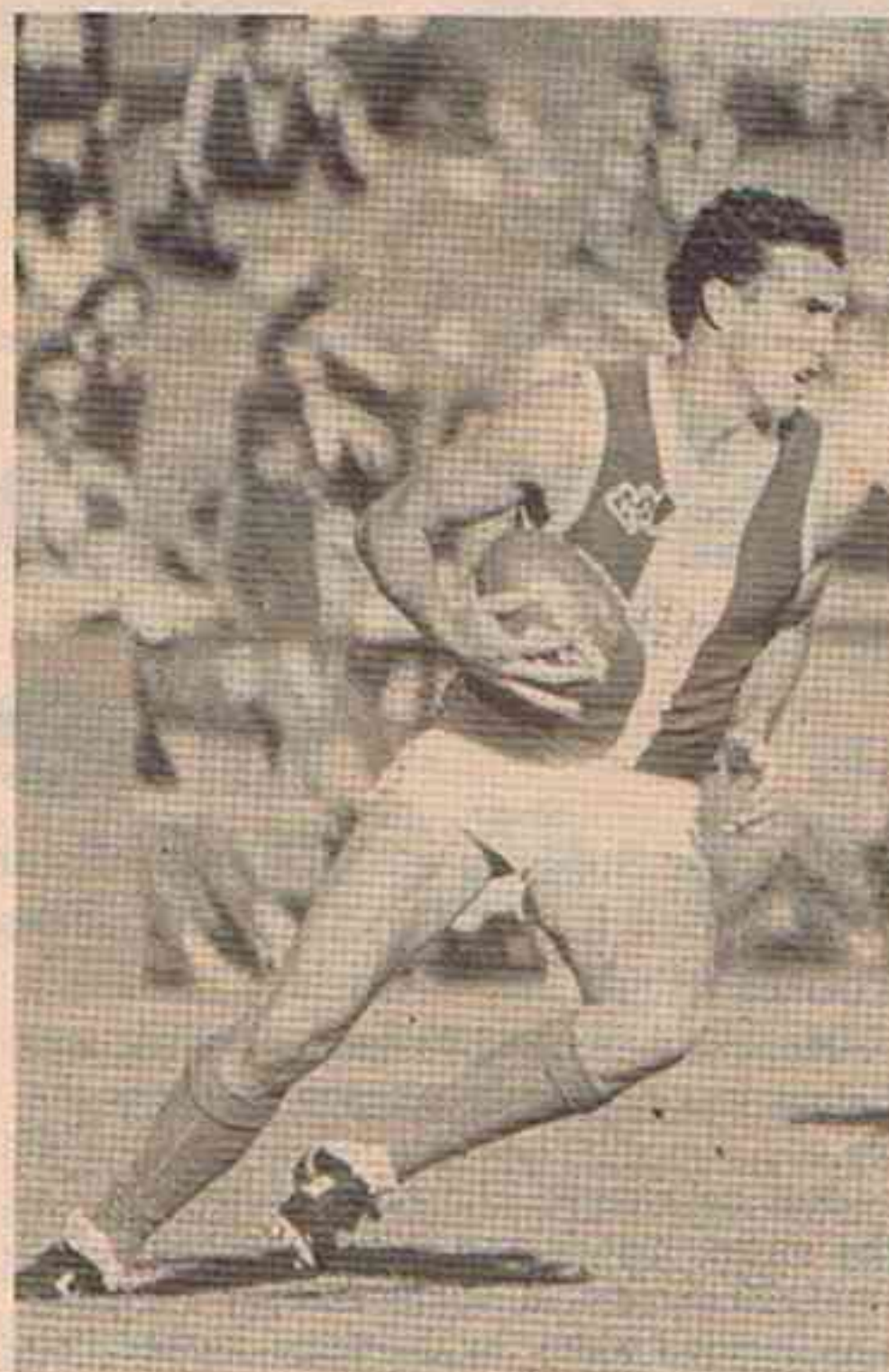
To have met the top teams so early in the season and to win is just what Ron Alexander wants.

With the tough games out of the way and three victories to his credit he would be a happy man.

But it is not an easy task beating South Fremantle especially after a morale boosting victory such as that last week when they soundly beat Claremont.

The Bulldogs bounced back after a humiliating 113 point loss to West Perth a week earlier and displayed the football which has made them a top side in the last three seasons.

South Fremantle, despite the fact that the game is being played at East Fremantle, should run out winners in a tight contest.



Ken Judge....in dangerous form

are always top class, no matter where the teams are on the premierships table.

East Perth will have to improve their rating if they are going to win the match but they always reserve their best performances when at home to the Falcons.

Saturday is a big test for the Falcons and their coach Dennis Cometti.

In his first season as a senior coach he experienced the joy of victory, but then saw how a team can play so well one week

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and not be in the hunt the next.

The Royals realise how important this game is to their chances of being around at the business end of the season and will be extra keen to win.

If they lose they face an uphill battle — it would mean they would have won just one match in the opening four encounters. That is the ammunition Grant Dorrington needs to get his charges into a positive frame of mind.



Claremont were well beaten by the Bulldogs last week. But that is bad news for Subiaco.

The Lions have yet to win a game this year and their chances of breaking the ice this week took a nose dive when South inflicted the first defeat on the Tigers for 16 games. This put Claremont in an angry frame of mind.

Subiaco seem to have gone backwards after a promising season last year and they sadly lack key forwards.

On the other hand Claremont have the most lethal goalkicking machine in the business, particularly in Warren Ralph and Steve Malaxos who have kicked a combined tally of 38 goals in the first three matches.

Claremont had problems in defence against South but Subiaco do not have the marking power up forward to exploit the weaknesses and the Tigers should be able to return to the winners circle.



Swan Districts produced their best football of the season when they brought West Perth back to earth with a thud last Saturday and they should be able to continue with their form against Perth.

The Demons had their chances to win against East Perth but made too many mistakes.

One thing for certain is that Swans will take heavier toll on any errors.

Swan Districts have too many guns for their younger opponents and should run out winners

They are a classy combination and are beginning to get their act together.

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## WATTS UP? with J.K.

Hi there folks,

One thing that always annoys me about some footy followers is their lack of loyalty. I reckon you've got to support your team through thick and thin if you consider yourself a fair-dinkum supporter. Take me for example, I'm what you call a Royal Loyal. Never would I even think of diverting my attention from those fantastic, mighty high flying black and blues.

You may think Dorro and the boys started a little slowly this season but we were just trying to build up the price a little. Now that we've laid our bets nothing will stop us. Look at the way we killed that traitor Miller's mob last weekend. Up the Mighty Royals!

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### DOG DAY AFTERNOON

Steve Gordon, radio 6PR's Saturday afternoon announcer, went out with a new girlfriend on Monday night. Unfortunately, she looked a little like a "horse" to Steve, so he "broke" into a "gallop", "chased" her out like she was some kind of "bitch", "paced" himself for the rest of the night and "trotted" home for a feed. That's what you get when you have to cue in something like 25 horse, dog and trot races from all points of the compass during an afternoon shift — and when the TAB are in full flight... and that was in between the football coverage. Anyway, Steve, well done... you worked harder than most of the Subiaco players.

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### CALL THE STEWARDS

Talk about form reversals!

If Mal Brown and South Fremantle were in racing, they'd be suspended for six months out of every seven!

Brownie's pulled the biggest form reversal of all time... I'm only dirty that he didn't let me in on it so I could tip a winner.

What's that you say? Claremont? Who are they? Don't ask me. My team (the mighty-fighting-Royals) won, didn't they?

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### HELPING HAND

6PR's Football World makes a comeback to a football club venue this week when we go to Lathlain Park on Friday — the home of the Darling Demons.

It will be good to help the club get some life into their football activities — it'll probably be a bigger crowd than we saw there last Saturday!

I hope Demons coach Ian Miller can take time off from his sporting goods empire to be there... I'd like to give him a few hints now that the Royals don't have to play the Demons again for another seven weeks

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### BROWN TIME AGAIN

Mal Brown certainly stirred up his No. 1 rover, Noel Carter and his No. 1 ruck-rover, Paul Vasoli, at Football World last week. He kept inferring that Souths would be a force if they could find a good rover and ruck-rover. I was waiting for Carter or Vasoli to say the same thing about finding a good coach!

I notice that Mark Jackson was in town last weekend; maybe he could coach the Bulldogs... it's just about time for Brownie to announce his resignation again!

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# INTERSTATE UPDATE



Tom Hutchison  
The Krakouer brothers, Jim and Phil — who have been setting the football scene in Melbourne afloat — had a very special visitor after their match against St Kilda last weekend. One of the first to congratulate them on their game was younger brother, Andrew (11).

## Fans reject the Swans

The South Melbourne move to Sydney may have to become total and permanent if the club is to have any supporters.

It seems most of the traditional support in Victoria has disappeared.

When the Sydney Swans won their first game in Melbourne (at Moorabbin last weekend) there were only a handful of supporters to cheer their victory.

Gone were the chanting crowds that customarily greeted South wins. After the match there were only about 30 fans waiting to pat their heroes on the back.

During the match, in which they beat St Kilda by 26 points, there was hardly a sound when Souths scored. It seems that nearly all the 17,000 odd spectators were supporting St Kilda.

Commenting on the reception, South coach Ricky Quade said this week: "We haven't got many supporters left in Melbourne. But we can go back to Sydney this Sunday as winners".

The club will obviously need to throw all its efforts into building up a strong following in the harbour city. With the diminished support from their Victorian supporters, the club will probably find it easier now to make a clean break with Victoria and concentrate on developing a total Sydney image.

It probably won't be long before "South Melbourne" are only words in history books.

### NEESHAM MELODY

Gerard Neesham, who played his first game with South Melbourne reserves last weekend, was a big hit when the Swans visited Sydney for their first match. At a post match celebration thrown by Lady Fairfax, Neesham kept the party alive with some lively action on the guitar.

## TASSIE GETS GRANT

Tasmania's senior football body, the TANFL, will get a \$20,000 grant from Australian Football Championships Ltd. towards its administration.

Under the deal announced by AFC chairman and VFL president Dr Allen Aylett last week, TANFL secretary Brian Eade will become general manager.

A junior development officer also will be appointed, Dr Aylett said.

The AFC move follows almost a fortnight of football drama in Tasmania, in which three senior northern Tasmanian clubs moved to become part of an enlarged TANFL competition based in Hobart.

The clubs, all members of the NTFA, opted out of the Greater Northern League competition which is about to begin its second year.

The competition was set up last year to give the 15 teams in the NTFA and NWFU a wider competition after a decision by the TANFL not to become involved in a State-wide competition.

But several bitter criticisms from all sides followed the split, and the result was that the TANFL — the senior body — selected a State team from only the six Hobart-based clubs, ignoring the NTFA and NWFU.

The move by AFC has been interpreted as a bid to consolidate any new 1983 competition which might include the three NTFA clubs, Launceston, North Launceston and City South, and NWFU club Devonport.

## FOOTSCRAY AFTER YOUNG STAR

Footscray are locked into yet another clearance wrangle.

This time they are threatening court action to secure young Darwin footballer Michael McLean.

Nightcliffe, McClean's Darwin club, has placed a \$65,000 clearance fee on the former Teal Cup rover/wingman.

McLean, who is only 17, was runner-up to South Australia's Mark Noble as best player in last year's Teal Cup competition. He has never been paid for playing football and is strictly an amateur.

**FOOTNOTE:** Footscray has already recruited 18-year-old Noble, who is a 6ft 6in ruckman.

### BARGAIN BOY

On the subject of clearances, Tasmanian club Clarence, made a drastic reduction in the price they were demanding last week for one of their young stars.

The club was seeking \$110,000 from Geelong for teenage wingman Russell Noye, but finally settled for \$5000.

Locked into the price agreement was an understanding that Noye, who has played only 16 senior games, would be cleared back to the Apple Isle club if he didn't succeed in the VFL by July.

## THREE KO'd

Physical clashes were fast and furious in the first quarter of the Collingwood-Carlton game last weekend. Three players ended up with concussion.

Carlton rover Rod Ashman was the first and he was carried from the ground on a stretcher.

Next was Collingwood half-back, Andrew Smith who was also carried from the ground in the same quarter.

Carlton half-back Ken Hunter was next. He emerged from a pack holding his head at the 26 minute mark of the first quarter. He remained on the ground and at half-time couldn't remember much. He was moved to full-forward in the second half where he gradually regained composure to kick three goals and be one of his side's best players.

A Carlton doctor said after the match that it was "a risk" to put the dazed Hunter back on to the field in the second half.

The doctor, who would not be named for professional reasons, said: "Yes, we were a big naughty to play him in the second half".

Before Hunter was sent on for the third quarter he passed a test put to him by the doctor. He was asked: What is your name? Where do you live? What is your car registration number?

As it turned out, the only side effects from the blow were felt by Collingwood defenders who were unable to contain him. It was the first time in his 126 game league career that he had played at full-forward.

Alex Jesaulenko



## JEZZA SAFE

Speculation that Alex Jesaulenko would be replaced as coach of St. Kilda before the season was out, were dismissed this week by club president Lindsay Fox. He said: "No way, and if the side has a reasonable season Alex will be re-appointed for 1983 and '84 as well".

Jesaulenko summed up his position by saying "My job here is to get our young in-experienced players to become consistent winners and only time will get results".

### Hardemann captain

Former Melbourne footballer, Gary Hardemann has been named captain of the New South Wales State team which will clash with Queensland in Brisbane this Sunday.

Now captain-coach of Sydney club, Newtown, Hardemann's selection came after just one game of Sydney football.

## Norwood break the ice

Former Subiaco and Richmond star Neil Balme — now coaching Norwood — recorded his first victory this season when his side beat Port Adelaide at Football Park last Saturday.

Norwood won by seven points and Balme was obviously pleased to break the ice.

But he was on the edge of his seat for the entire match and it was not until the final 30 seconds that the fate of the game was decided when the Redlegs kicked two quick goals.

Perhaps the most impressive aspect of the match in the performance by Balme's side was that they kept going and were able to snatch victory with just seconds remaining.

Norwood were weakened through the loss of Magarey Medallist Michael Aish but they were still able to record a strong victory.

### LIGHTS GET GO AHEAD

Lights have finally been given the go-ahead at Adelaide's Football Park Stadium.

It has taken four years to get the green light and it will be a huge boost for football in South Australia.

The lights were delayed when the owners of the land, West Lakes Limited refused permission for the lights after receiving complaints from residents in the area.

### CHEER SQUADS

Cheer squads have taken off in Adelaide. West Australians will remember how impressive the South Australian cheer squad was when they visited Perth for the State match last year. This season the ten club squads in Adelaide will compete for the Cheer Squad of the Year award. The winning squad will receive \$1000.

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**GARY'S GOSSIP**

**Jacko in '83?**

Well there's definitely something brewing at South Fremantle regarding their former stormy petrel Mark Jackson. Once again, I had the opportunity to talk with "JAKKO" on "Countdown to the Bouncedown" last Saturday and he made "no bones" about the fact that he intended to come back to Western Australia within a couple of seasons.

He also made it quite clear that he would be rejoining the "BULLDOGS" and hoped to play again under his favourite coach Malcolm Brown.

However, take it from me, Mark Jackson will probably line-up with South Fremantle next season. Yes next season, 1983. It's sometimes strange how respect is won - I mean it's been alleged that Brownie has had to discipline Jackson physically on occasions and yet Mark thinks the world of the "big bear".

Then again Jackson has been known to be a little physical himself from time to time. Either way, he is a colourful character and a talented footballer and I'm sure all at South Fremantle will welcome "JAKKO" home with open arms.

**MEMO - JOHN WATTS**

You wouldn't believe it, I had a telephone call from your side-kick Barry Martin in London on Easter Sunday. "Bazza" was having breakfast at some posh hotel in London and was apparently concerned about the results of Saturday's games.

Naturally, I brought him up to date with all the scores and previewed Monday's games as well. I also told him he should back both Fremantle sides on Easter Monday. However, "Wattsie" my question is this - why didn't he ring you (is there a rift between you two) or does he consider the 6IX Football service to be more informative?

**'DORRO' A WINNER**

As you are well aware Beenleigh Rum sponsor my column and what we have decided to do is give away a bottle each week. Sometimes you will have the opportunity of winning a bottle and on other occasions, like today, a member of the football fraternity will be honoured.

This week's category is my early season, "most co-operative coach award" and the prize goes to East Perth's Grant Dorrington. "DORRO" without doubt is 100 per cent for East Perth, but also 100 per cent for football in general.

**CROSS ROADS**

It was most interesting and indeed informative to talk to the president of the Wanneroo Football Club, Dr. Wayne Bradshaw during the Easter Monday presentation of "Countdown to the Bouncedown" on 6IX.

Dr. Bradshaw said that football wise, Wanneroo were at the crossroads - too good overall for the Sunday competition, but not good enough for the major Saturday league competition.

He indicated that the door was still open for negotiations with one of our league clubs as far as a possible amalgamation was concerned. Remember the controversy that raged a few seasons ago between Subiaco and Wanneroo?

GARY CARVOLTH.



South Fremantle ruck rover Paul Vasoli found himself in a nest of trouble last Monday when his side clashed with Claremont. He has the ball but is in a bit of bother as Tigers Allen Daniels (5) and Wayne Blackwell try desperately to steal the ball from him. And as if that is not enough Claremont ruck rover Lindsay Kanther was making his way over to the scene.

Vasoli wins the Westside Football Hard Yakka award of a pair of Yakka jeans or fabulous Rigs trousers for the effort he is putting in.

Former VFL and WAFL star, Sandover Medallist, and now Perth Coach.



**IAN MILLER**

**COACH'S BOX**

THE W.A.F.L. is looking into providing elevated coach's box or vantage point - a much-needed improvement.

Most coaches prefer the higher position - you can see the mistakes before they happen. It will be appreciated by all coaches who sit at ground level among the opposing supporters.

An exception to that rule is Mal Brown, who indicated at a recent coaches meeting that he prefers to be nearer the action on the bench at ground level. I am not sure which action he meant, in front of him, or behind him?

**CROWD PARTICIPATION**

I have always believed that spectators at our football must become more emotionally involved in the game, voice their opinion and support more than they do. Many spectators are prepared to sit and watch without even saying a word. Most Victorian football goers, on the other hand, are much more vocal, which improves the atmosphere.

On Monday, I sat in the outer at Fremantle Oval and watched a top game of fast, competitive football for 3½ quarters. With the exception of one South supporter who sat directly behind me, the other 100 people within a 10-metre radius never became involved, vocally, in the game at all.

Seems like most supporters prefer to take the game in and voice their opinion after the final siren.

**STANDARDS**

People criticise the standard of some of our games and the East Perth - Perth game last week was probably one of them in regard to mistakes made, but let's not knock the game. I watched The Winners on the ABC last Sunday particularly the St. Kilda - South Melbourne game and when I turned down the volume it was similar in standard - full of errors by both sides. All competitions have the same problem at different times, I know it will improve.

**YOUTH - THE FUTURE**

East Perth have had many league players come up through their under 16 special squad and colts and they are always looking to the future with their accent on youth.

The award winner for the reserves last week was Gavin Hawkins, who is aged 16 and was last year's colts fairest and best.

The colts award went to Richard Dennis, aged 15. Incidentally, the average age of the East Perth colts is 16 years and 9 months. Certainly East Perth are getting maximum value from their up-and-coming stars by their early introduction to a league club.

**VERSATILE**

In today's football, players are often called upon by their coach to handle a variety of positions for the benefit of the side.

One player who always seems to do the job 'bobbed' up again for South last Monday. That was Brad Hardie, kicking five match-winning goals in the forward line. Two weeks previous he was best on ground against Perth on a wing.

**RALPH'S ON TARGET**

Many people said that without the Krakouer brothers feeding Warren Ralph his opportunities would be limited. Judging from the three rounds this season he is proving everyone wrong. I was most impressed with his seven-goal display against South. He is prepared to fight for his ball at all times, be in front or behind. Twenty-one goals in three games indicates another 100 for Ralph.

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Winners for week No. 2: Tulloch wines - Don Hayward, of Carnarvon; Ampol Award - R. Johnson of Leederville; Archie Martins Prize - Greg Cuolahan of Belmont; WAFL Award - P. M. Donald of Dianella; City Theatres Award - A. Donnelly of Karrinyup.

Entries close the day before (Friday) the fixtures listed in each week's paper. All entries must be on an official entry form and should be posted to or deposited in the entry box at the WESTSIDE FOOTBALL Office, 215 Oxford Street, Leederville. As a special service to footy fans working in the city, entries may also be deposited in the box at TRAVELTIME INTERNATIONAL, 105 William Street, just near Hay Street.

My selections for . . .

- APRIL 24
- South Frem. v East Perth (S)
- West Perth v East Frem.
- Swan Districts v Subiaco
- Claremont v Perth

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# WINNING SEQUENCES

Swan Districts' drubbing of West Perth last week gave them their seventh straight win over the Falcons — nearly double their previous best winning sequence of the 1962/64 seasons.

When a club gains onfield strength they are always hard to beat on their home ground, so I suppose it's only natural they establish a "hoodoo" over the other teams!

West Perth have now lost their last four games at Bassendean (but won the previous five there).

East Perth have lost their last three games on Swans' territory BUT were the victors six times straight before that. Perth are on a losing streak at that ground having lost their last five games there and Subiaco have lost seven on end. East Fremantle's first round success there ended a losing sequence of four for them.

Claremont and South Fremantle are not affected by this 'hoodoo' ground, over the last five seasons both teams have won four to Swans' three.

The longest run of success by a home team would have to be West Perth's dominance over Swan Districts at Leederville Oval. Swans lost 23 games straight there between 1939 and 1956, they won 14 that year by 16 points then lost the next nine games.

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### Unique lists

I was very interested in that list of goal kickers on the Great Goalkickers Series in last week's Westside. It was compiled by South Aussie super statistician Ian Everett and showed all South Fremantle players who have kicked 10 goals or more in a game (Bernie Naylor performed this feat 17 times, Austin Robertson, 13). Mr Everett has compiled lists for all clubs and they will appear over the next seven weeks. They are certainly unique by W.A. standards.

According to my records the first player to kick a double figure goal tally in Western Australia was Albert Thurgood who, when playing for Fremantle against West Perth in 1895 was credited with 14 goals. Aussie Rules' first big goalkicker was South Aussie Alf Daly who in 1893 kicked a remarkable 23 goals for Norwood. (Daly headed the goalkicking list six times in 10 years, with four different clubs, no clearance problems in those days!). This feat was equalled by W.A.'s Bonny Campbell at the Hobart carnival in 1924 and so did Bernie Naylor with 23 goals against Subiaco in 1953.

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### Run ends

Claremont's winning sequence has come to an end after a club record of 16 straight. Only three clubs have won more successive games. East Fremantle won 35 during 1945-46-47, East Perth 19 straight in 1958-59 and South Fremantle 17 wins on end in 1953.

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### Reflecting

How's your memory — 10 years ago the eight league coaches were Mal Brown (East Perth), Verdun Howell (Claremont), Mal Atwell (South Fremantle), Alan Joyce (East Fremantle), Haydn Bunton (Subiaco), Barry Cable (Perth), Peter Steward (West Perth) and Jack Ensor (Swans).



Mel Whinnen

The fairest and best at the clubs that year were Mel Whinnen (West Perth), Graham Melrose (East Fremantle), Mal Brown (East Perth), Tom Grljusich (South Fremantle), Vern Orr (Claremont), Bob Beecroft (Swan Districts), Bryan Cousins (Perth) and Brian Sierakowski (Subiaco). (Only Melrose and Cousins are still on the WA scene).

East Perth 9.17 beat Claremont 8.8 in the grand final on a wet afternoon, John Furhmann was the umpire (come to think of it the Royals only other premiership in the last 18 years was a very wet Saturday afternoon too).

## Associations may form a national body

Representatives of association football will meet in Melbourne in May to consider the formation of a national body.

Executives of the Wafa, the SAFA, the VFA and the Northern Tasmanian Football Association will get together on May 28 for talks.

The possibility of conducting a national carnival will be high on the list of topics on the agenda.

# THE HOOD

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



## QUICK CAREER



Mike Richardson

There has been plenty of recent pressure on Swans' Mike Richardson to transfer to VFL club Collingwood. No doubt, after his brilliant display last Saturday, that pressure will be revived. However, reading one of Melbourne's Sunday papers last weekend one could have been excused for thinking that Mike has already been to Victoria! He suggested that Swans were well led by former Collingwood player Mike Richardson. Maybe the writer was looking into the future or could he have been thinking of the now retired Max Richardson? A couple of weeks ago another Victorian writer inferred that Perth was lucky to have "a former Geelong boy" in Bryan Cousins as their captain.

## Cometti coments

Radio 6WF commentator — cum West Perth coach, Dennis Cometti found himself in a catch-22 situation last Monday. In his role as a commentator during the match between South Fremantle and Claremont he was critical of the performance of the field umpires. It would be interesting to know how the league directors look at situations such as that. The WAFL has a ruling which prohibits league coaches from commenting on umpires.

## TUT, TUT

Never say things you don't want heard who you are within range of a microphone . . . that's the message veteran footballer and commentator Frank Sparrow should have learnt by now. A light-hearted quip about a Perth player's name came over the 6IX airwaves as Frank — who was sitting up at Bassendean — listened to Harvey Deegan down at Lathlain Park. Someone forgot to turn a switch off!

## OVER-SUPPLY

What's wrong with East Fremantle's selectors? In the Football Budget (which, admittedly, was printed before Easter to cater for both games) East Fremantle listed 28 players. Surely they could have narrowed their team down to a reasonable 22 or even 24 at that stage of the week.

WEST PERTH suff this season in the yesterday. Swan District, under former Collingwood ruck-rover Mike Richardson, cased West Perth. Richardson booted 8 goals from a half-forward flank to be the best man on the ground. The talented half-forward was well supported by ruckman Alan Sidebottom, Garry's little brother, in the ruck, and rugged

## Media Muddle

You know, you really do wonder about our football media. The WAFL went to considerable trouble this year to produce a Media Guide for all football writers and commentators to use as a constant reference, particularly when it comes to christian names of players and umpires. Not only do most members of the media forget to take their guide to the football; but even when they do, they forget to use it! Just have a look at some of the mistakes in christian names — and spellings — that appear in the written press.

## STABBED

That half-baked contemporary of mine, The Stab, who rumbles and rants in The Western Mail every weekend, certainly stirred up a "Falcons-nest" with his murmurrings of unrest at Leederville. Eloquent West Perth president Rod Brown nearly choked on his Weeties last Friday morning when he read about the alleged trouble in his camp. I believe John Rose (at Subiaco) is also unhappy about remarks made by this newcomer to behind-the-scenes football reporting. I suppose everyone has got to start somewhere and as an old hand, probably the only advice I could give him is to cut larger eyeholes in his mask.

## SNUB FOR TOM

One of the greatest footballers to ever take the field in this State was honoured at Swan Districts recently. The man in question, of course, is Graham Melrose, who notched up 300 league games with Swans, North Melbourne and East Fremantle. Swans held a dinner on the Sunday before the East Perth match and 110 guests were invited to honour the champion. However, there were some red faces over the guest list. It seems that Swans forgot to invite their team manager of the last 10 years Tom Rowlands. Surely he deserved an invite.

## COP THIS QUOTE!

One of the policemen on duty at Subiaco Oval on Monday was heard to say: If football stays this dull, we won't be needed at future games.

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



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# Marlboro GOALS!

## Danger man

The goal-sense of Swan Districts' star Mike Richardson was clearly on show at Bassendean Oval last Saturday when he booted eight goals as a ruck-rover. One of his best was undoubtedly his fourth — kicked in the third term — when team-mate Stan Nowotny showed typical strength to win the ball out of a scrum and knock it to Richardson, standing almost on the boundary line. Richardson took one look at the goals over his left shoulder and snapped from a standing position to bring up Swans' 12th. Later that quarter he showed brilliant anticipation to read the ball out of a ruck duel and run straight through a goal-square pack to kick truly before his rival rovers had worked out where the tap went.

## ON TARGET

There is no doubting Perth specialist half-forward Doug Simms' uncanny goal sense. He kicked the Demons' first goal on Saturday with a blind left foot snap which travelled 40 metres to bring up maximum results. He was under plenty of pressure from East Perth defenders but still managed to kick the valuable goal.

## DEADLY DUCKY

Talking about anticipation — even the veterans still have it. West Perth's John Duckworth, a 33-year-old campaigner, was the recipient of a bad handpass from rival Swan Districts big man, Ron Boucher at Bassendean Oval. Ducky grabbed the bonus ball in the last quarter and took two steps towards goal and booted a 70-metre major from just on the edge of the centre square.

## GOAL-OF-THE-DAY

There were some real gems kicked at Bassendean Oval last Saturday, but the goal-of-the-day was undoubtedly Keith Narkle's magnificent shot from the half-forward-flank on his wrong foot. Narkle received a handpass, avoided a couple of defenders and slammed the ball onto his left boot on the members stand side of the ground, sending it sailing through the middle of the big opening. It won him the \$100 from Town and Country for the World of Sport goal-of-the-day on Channel 7.

## ROVING RUCKMAN

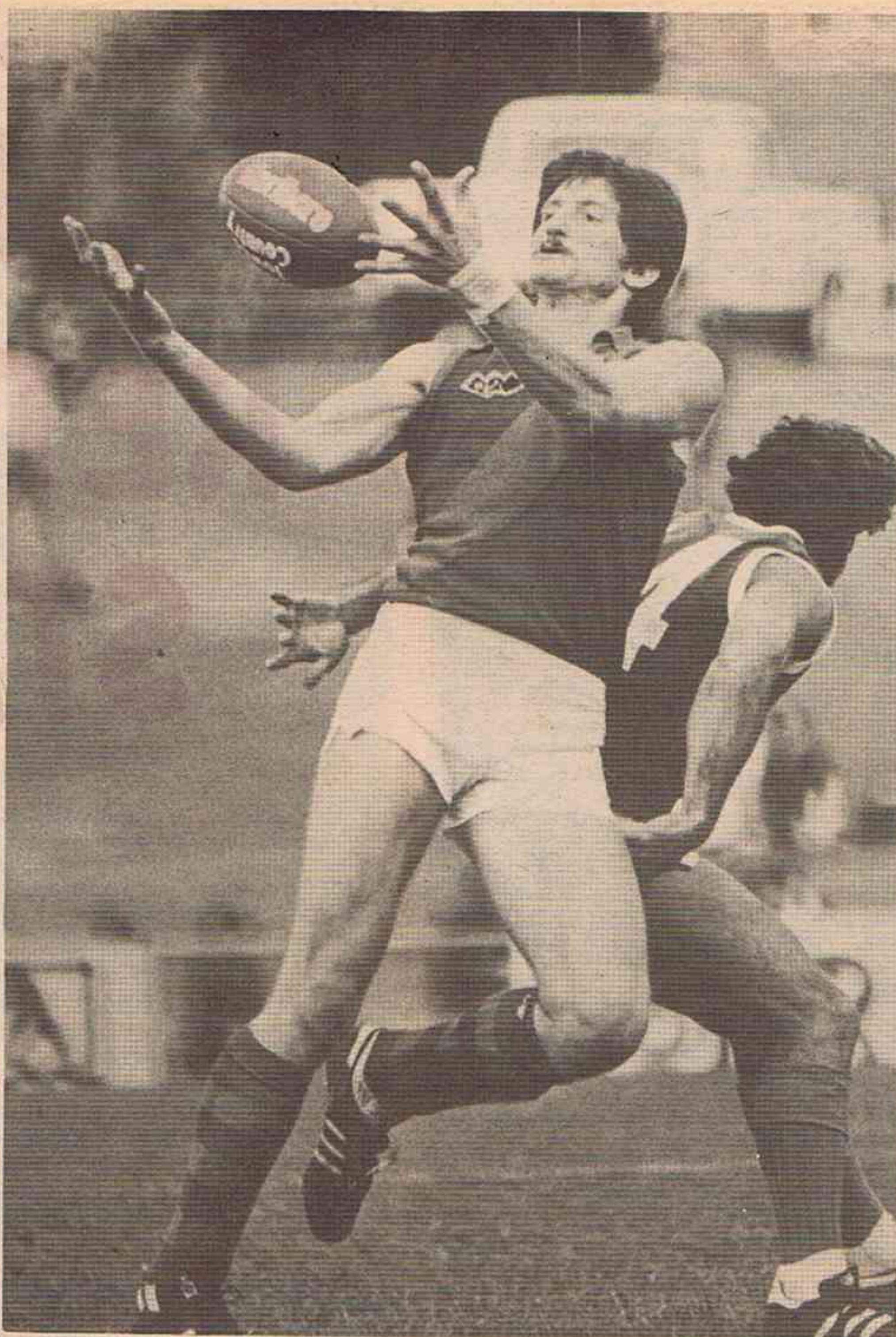
Subiaco's Laurie Keene put in one of his most impressive games against East Fremantle on Monday — and it wasn't only his ruck work that made its mark. When he kicked Subiaco's sixth goal he took on the role of a rover, receiving a handpass from Peter Thomas deep in the forward pocket, side-stepping an Old Easts defender and snapping a right-footer (he's a natural left-foot kick) over his shoulder for a great goal.

## HARD TO HOLD

Rod Barrett may have won his tussle with Claremont goalkicking ace Steven Malaxos, but Malaxos still managed two early freak goals. Both were deep in the right pocket in the first quarter and resulted from superb snaps over the left shoulder. It seems as though the question should be when is he going to miss a difficult snap.

## Marlboro's Top Ten

Warren Ralph (Claremont)	21.4
Steve Malaxos (Claremont)	17.3
Mike Richardson (Swans)	15.5
Chris Stasinowsky (West Perth)	13.3
Bruce Monteath (Sth. Frem.)	11.12
Roger Kerr (East Frem.)	11.3
Peter Sartori (Swans)	10.5
Don Holmes (Swans)	8.12
Doug Simms (Perth)	8.6
Dean Turner (East Perth)	8.5
Grant Campbell (East Perth)	8.5



John Gavranich... beginning to mature.

# Gavranich comes of age

It is normal for big men to take time to mature.

And that has certainly been the case with West Perth ruckman John Gavranich. Gavranich made his league debut in 1980 with the Falcons and since playing four games in his first season he has been slowly blooded into the demanding league football scene.

He played 15 senior matches last year and showed glimpses of things to come. But he has really taken the football world by storm in the early part of this season.

He seems to have tremendous confidence and put in his best performance of his 23 game career when he had a personal victory against Sandover Medallist Stephen Michael in his side's mammoth victory over the Bulldogs a fortnight ago.

Gavranich could do no wrong and after being little more than a second string ruckman for two seasons is ready to assume greater responsibility in the Falcons camp.

Whatever coach Dennis Cometti has done to the youngster over the summer months it has certainly worked and in the absence of the club's top ruckman Ben Jager, Gavranich has taken all before him.

## YOUNG TALENT

Gary Stocks looks at a W.A.F.L. star of the future.

Although he was outstanding in his personal triumph over Michael, Gavranich was also a top player in the opening match of the season when he helped his side beat Subiaco. Last Saturday against Swans, he found Alan Sidebottom a tough proposition. The fact that he was beaten by Sidebottom, will no doubt give the young Falcon more incentive to do well when his side meets East Perth this weekend. Critics will be watching to see whether or not he has the ability to bounce back.

As a measure of the effect he had in his first two matches, he was awarded 15 votes for his performances by Westside Football writers in the Westside Football player ratings — the most respected measure of a player's impact on a game.

After two games he was just one vote behind joint leaders Steve Malaxos and Ross Gibbs.

But he must go on with the job. He has the potential to be a star but cannot afford to waste his talent.

Gavranich is another of the promising ruckmen in this State.

Subiaco's Laurie Keene and East Perth pair John Ironmonger and Craig Edwards (whom he will do battle with this weekend) also look set for bright futures in the game and it augers well for the future of football in this State.

**THIS WEEK**

**John Gavranich**

**WINS A PUMA GIFT PACK**



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

# MOTHER BROWN

## On the buses!

AN opening word on the absence of those buses from football grounds...

I've done some checking around and it seems as though the WAFL have done everything they could to keep the MTT buses running between football grounds on Saturday, particularly from Fremantle to other grounds now that the railway line is out of action.

The MTT have made the decision to pull the buses out of service, so it seems as though it's up to us, the public, to either write direct to the MTT complaining... or take it up with your local member of Parliament. That's what I'll be doing!

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## GREAT GAME

Well, what a game it was at Fremantle Oval on Monday.

I must admit that the old blood pressure gets a bit high in tremendous games like that. It was good, clean football and everyone enjoyed it; though I guess the Claremont fans didn't quite get the satisfaction the Bulldogs supporters did.

I'm pleased to report that I picked four winners over the split round. I was getting desperate and starting to doubt my ability. But the Bulldogs saved me!

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## ESCORT SERIES

I'M really disappointed about the way the Escort Cup championship is being promoted in WA.

It's hard to stay up at night to watch the game on television on Tuesdays when you know what the result is as it's usually put over the radio much earlier. It's a pity we can't have the game on TV a bit earlier.

It would be much better if we could have some sort of round-robin knock-out system between the WA clubs and only the top two teams compete in the Escort series, which would reduce expenditure and so forth. Maybe the Escort series could be held mid-season over a one or two week series. At least the locals would see their own clubs compete earlier in the season if it was a knockout series.

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## THINGS CHANGE

*'Things ain't wot they used to be'... that song title came back to me this week when I saw the tribunal result.*

*East Fremantle's Andrew Purser was cleared of a charge of misconduct and made a comment about the language coming from the umpire.*

*In the past, it's always been the umpire complaining about the language from players!*

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## BOUNCE BACK!

Talking about umpires... what's happened to the old rule about bouncing the ball properly? Once you would see umpires bring the ball back and bounce it again if they did it badly. Now play is allowed to go on.

I wonder what's happened to those bounce pads that were installed in the centre square at each ground. Maybe the grass has grown over them!

# SWAN GOLD SPOTLIGHT

# TRIBUTE TO RETIRED STARS



THERE was certainly a touch of sentiment when STEVE GILLESPIE (above) reached his 200-game milestone for Swan Districts last year.

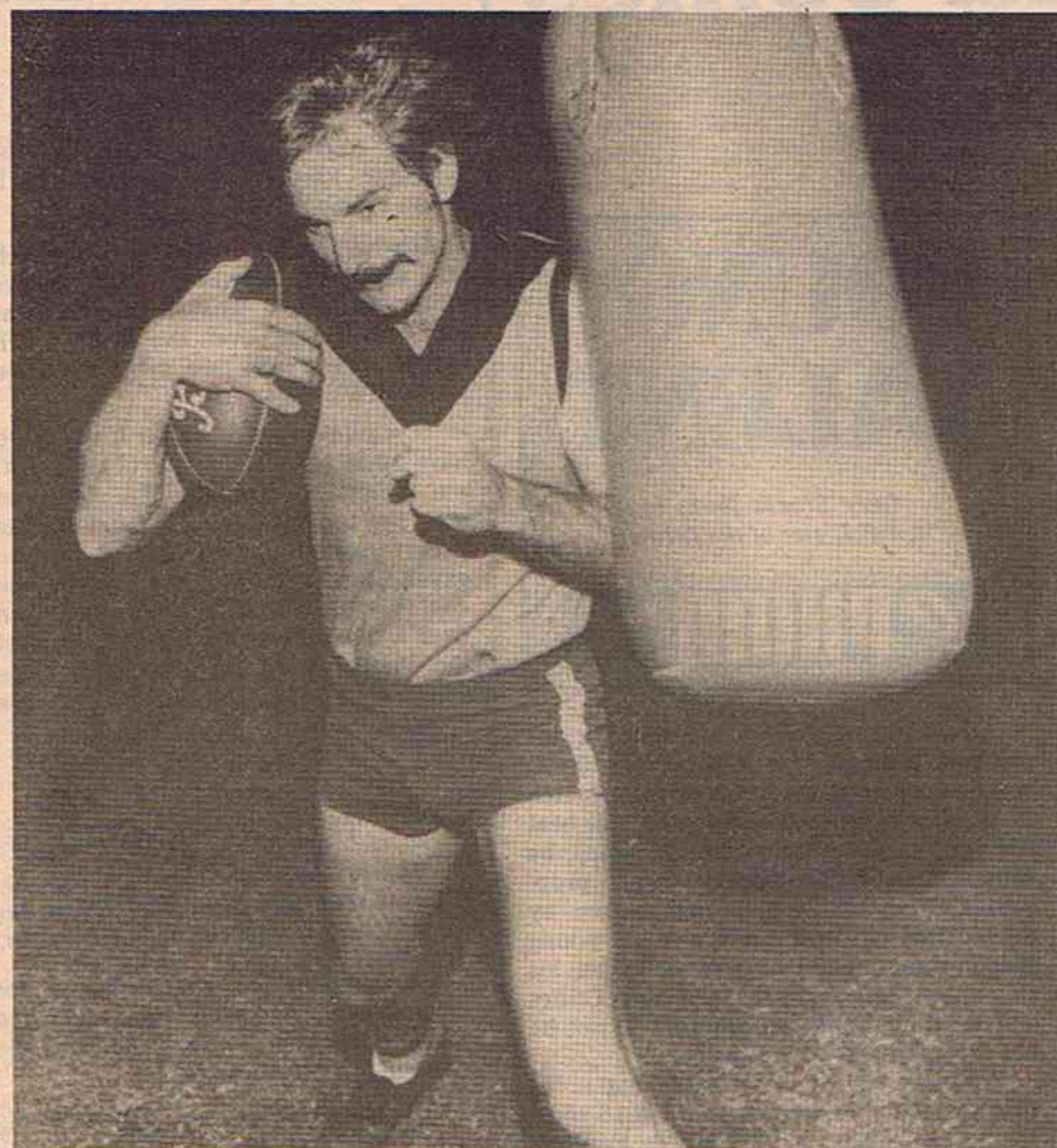
At the start of the season he needed just three games to join the 200 club — but he was plagued with a knee injury and that milestone seemed many miles away.

He never gave in; fighting hard all season to regain fitness firstly and then form and confidence to justify his place in the senior side. Finally, at the 13-game mark of the season, he made it back into the seniors.

He notched four games in a row, several on the interchange bench, and if Swans can be accused of 'giving' those last couple of games to Gillespie, then they readily accept the accusation.

There have been fewer loyal servants to Swans than Gillespie, a player who seldom took the limelight, preferring the hard — and often overwhelming work — in defence during Swans' bad years.

It is a tribute to his loyalty that he is back at Swans this year as the runner for coach John Todd.



True grit and determination . . . they are ingredients high on the list of ROBBIE MELVILLE'S (above) attributes.

Loyalty is another one. And it's his loyalty to Claremont, the club that he grew up to follow and play for, that has ended his career.

As continual knee injuries slowed him down last year, it became obvious that he couldn't win a place in a mobile Claremont line-up and though he wasn't in the 1981 grand final side, he was close by to be part of the victory celebrations.

This year he received a number of offers from other clubs, but Melville's 151-game career has always been at Claremont and he wasn't going to move elsewhere.

Melville's career ranged from being one of the State's most classical half-backs to being a fighter, lifting himself out of reserves ranks when his form was down, back to senior level, producing inspirational football just when it was needed.

EVERY football season heralds the arrival of new stars; youngsters about to make their mark on the league scene.

But every year also marks the passing of a number of familiar faces; players who have been heroes to their fans over many years.

Those players often fade away during the summer months without due recognition; some even disappear towards the end of a season and their departure is not often recorded in the annuals of football history.

In order to make sure that our stars-of-the past are not so easily forgotten, this week we devote our centre page spread to acknowledge some of last year's stars who are no longer part of our playing arena, preferring to hang up their boots and become spectators — or, more importantly, off-field contributors.



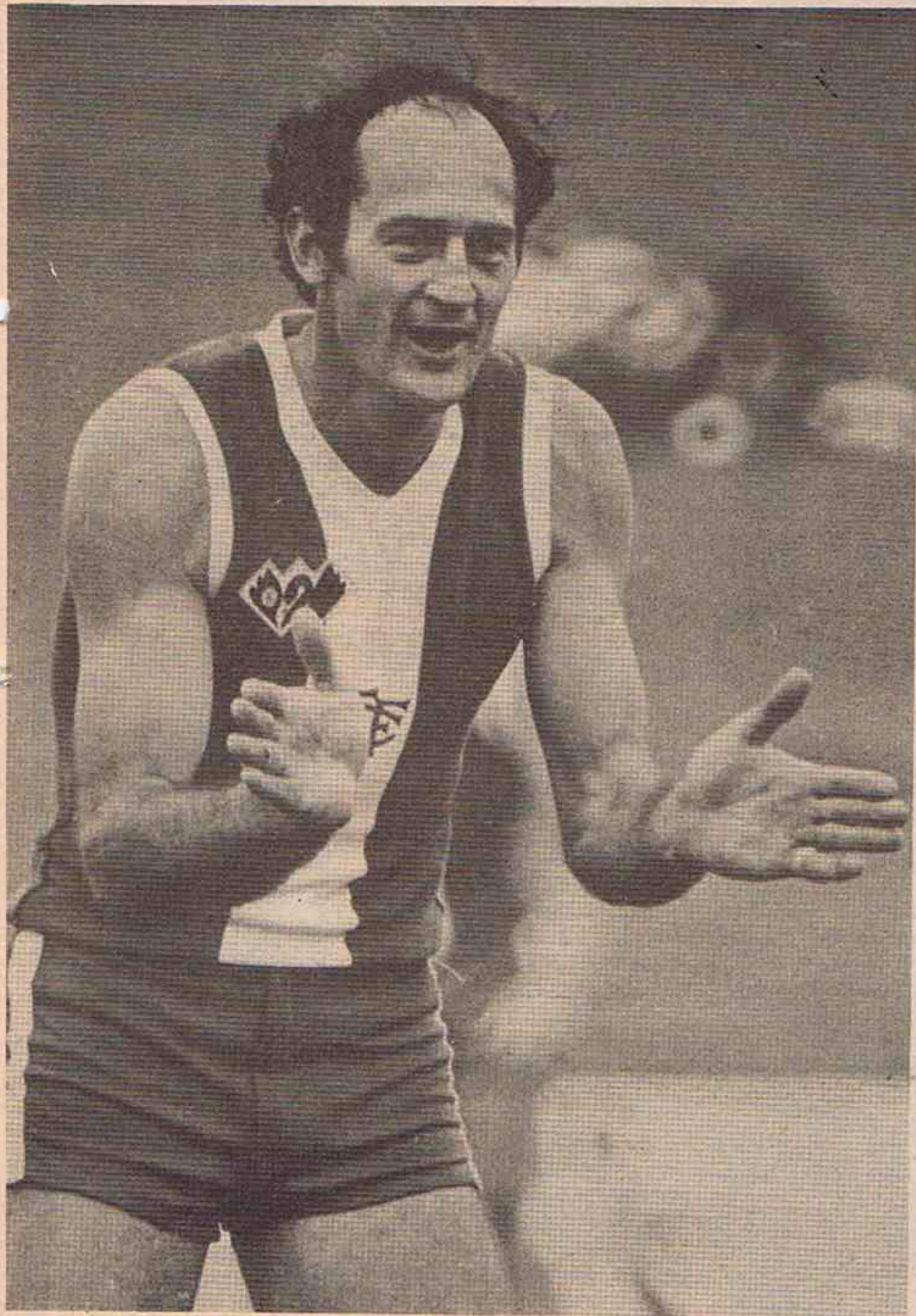
SOUTH Fremantle have produced many classical wingmen in their illustrious years of football — and TONY MORLEY (above), now joins them.

A former captain of the Bulldogs, Morley received the ultimate accolade from his team-mates when they voted him into the 20 for the final qualifying game of the season, knowing full well that he wasn't 100 per cent fit.

Morley needed just that one game for his 200 and he had made it clear that his troubled ankles wouldn't stand up to another season of football.

It was all or nothing in the last game and the players gave Morley the thumbs up sign. He took his place on the bench and as South kicked a WAFL record score of 40.18 to farewell one of their champions, he joined the orgy and booted two of the closing goals himself.

Morley was always a team-man; a player who was generally on hand to help out a team-mate when trouble loomed. He retired with almost everything a player could want — 200 games, State representation, a premiership and captaincy.



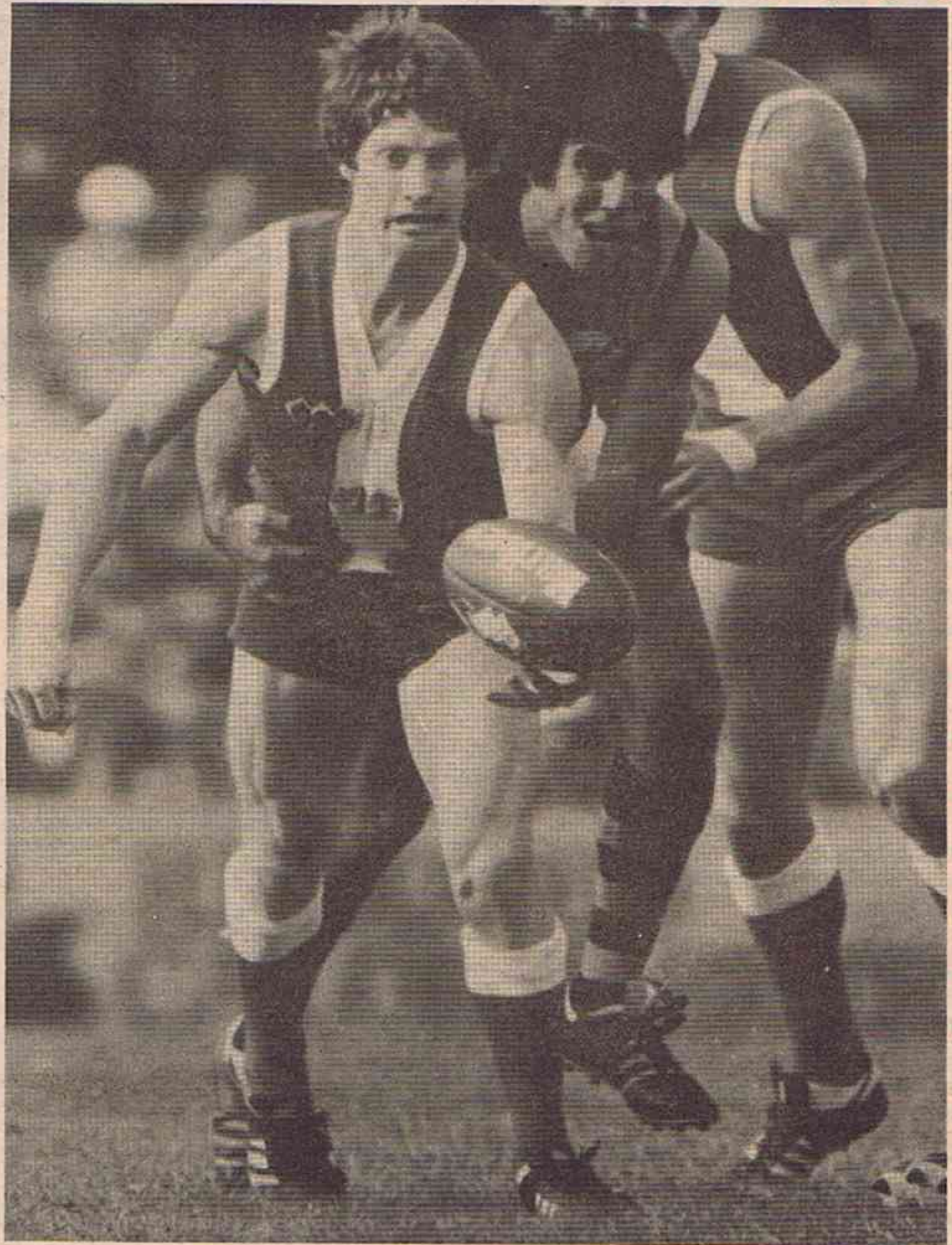
THERE have been many times when IAN THOMSON has retired, disposing of his football boots in no uncertain manner.

But he has generally been talked out of his decision, resurrecting those boots and taking on yet another challenge in football.

Probably the biggest challenge ever handed to the versatile Thomson was in 1979 when one of his best football friends, East Fremantle coach Bradley Smith, called him out of Sunday football to be the club's full-forward.

At the age of 29, it seemed like a foolish decision. After all, Thomson had enjoyed a good innings with 89 games at East Perth and 75 at South Melbourne.

But Smith needed experience in attack and it was Thomson who gave him his reward — playing a vital part in that 1979 premiership. Thomson went on to play 45 games for East Fremantle, taking his tally over the 200-game mark and leaving many critics around Australia rather embarrassed.



THERE are many people, especially opposition rovers, who under-estimated MAL DOBSON. But those same people, particularly the opposition rovers and their coaches, paid for that indecision.

East Fremantle has seldom had a back pocket specialist as special as Dobson — a tiger on the football field who backed his judgement with assurance and whose football was always attacking.

When Mal and his twin brother, Mark, arrived at East Fremantle in the early 1970's there was some dispute as to who would prove the better footballer. By hard work — and his share of good fortune — Mal emerged as the player to survive for 165 league games.

Dobson's football had its highs and lows — he found himself in the reserves on odd occasions and he found injuries proving a major handicap. But he never gave in and his football was rewarded with a place in the 1979 East Fremantle premiership line-up.

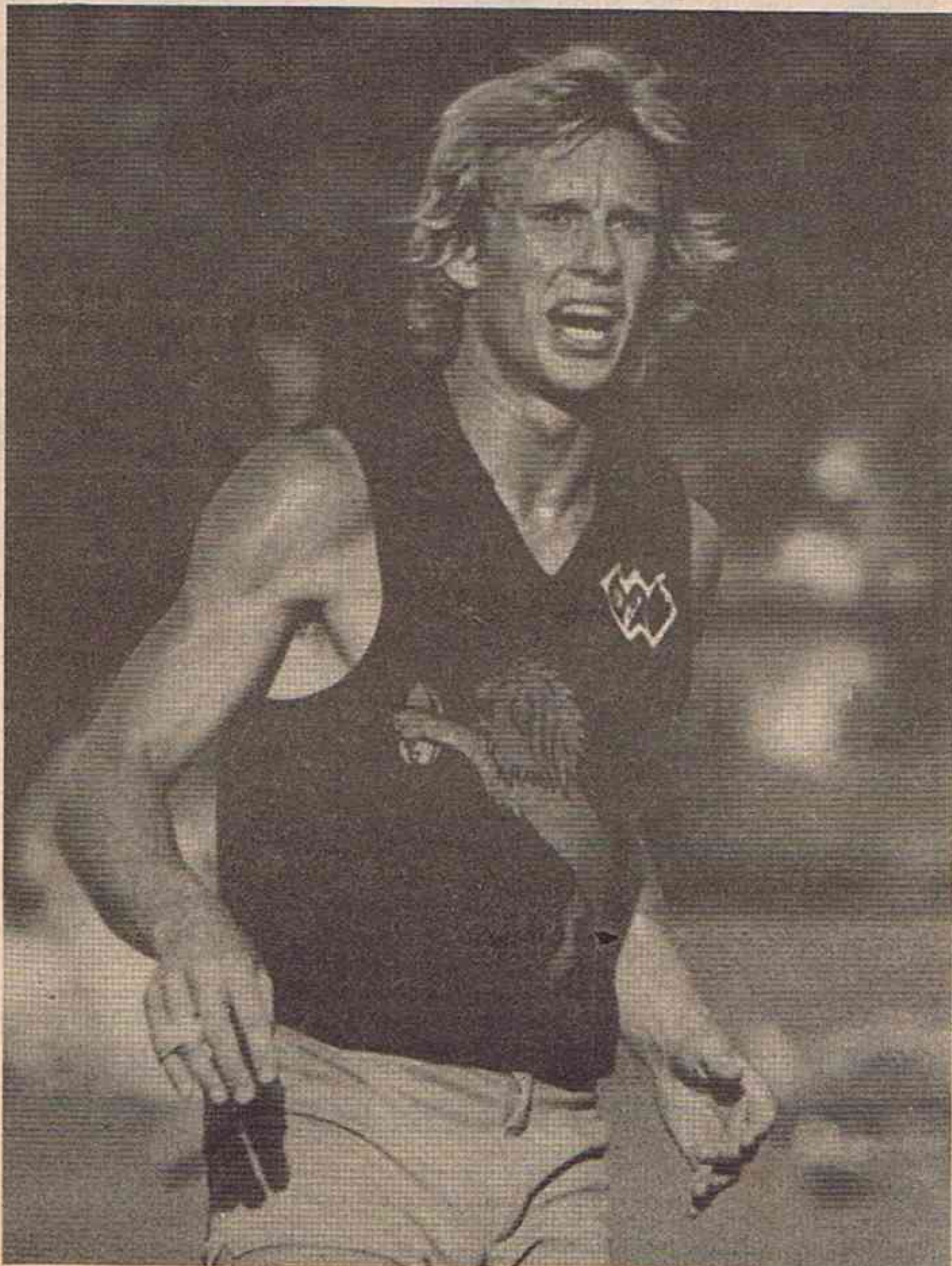


THE retirement of BRIAN DOUGE (left), was announced just two weeks into this season — after one of the game's fittest players had undergone another tough pre-season campaign only to admit that his legs wouldn't carry him through the rigours of a hard season.

Douge takes his place in football history as one of a handful of Victorians who have earned permanent membership of the WA football fraternity.

He came to WA as playing coach of Subiaco after being a member of the all-conquering Hawthorn combination. That he didn't succeed as a coach, in his own estimation particularly, is history. But he didn't quit and go home. To the contrary; he stayed and has helped in the Subiaco revival, supporting two subsequent coaches and injecting a huge amount of knowledge into the players-of-tomorrow.

As a defender he never lacked courage. At times he was asked to do more than his skills allowed, but he never fell short in the Department of Effort. He was always out in front — on the track — or under the pack on the field.



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# BENNETT'S BURST

By Robert Bennett  
'Sunday Times' and  
'Australian' football  
writer.



## Are form reversals harmful?

How harmful to our competition are the kind of form reversals we've experienced so far this season?

South Fremantle, in particular, are starting to become renowned for it.

It's almost as though they have two teams. A bunch of bumlbers who play away and a formidable combination that plays at home.

### Wires crossed?

I may owe Malcolm Brown an apology or it may be that we got our wires crossed. I could say ho hum not Brown having a shot at the media again.

I noticed in the Western Mail last week he had a shot at the media over his purported comments regarding star ruckman Stephen Michael.

I was the culprit he pointed his pen at. Given the range of possibilities I'll reply rather than retaliate on the incident.

Brown was writing down what appeared to be his best players for the South Fremantle-West Perth game when I asked Ken Smith about Michael.

Brown spun around and told me not to make any excuses for him. There was nothing wrong with Michael.

His action was evidence enough that he was not happy with Michael's performance.

I then asked Brown if he was disappointed or unhappy with "the" performance. I took his answer to mean Michael, after all the conversation had revolved exclusively around him.

Brown in his response indicated that he took my question as one about the team.

I would hardly think the question needed asking about whether or not he was happy with his team's performance.

Brown could have hardly been anything else after seeing his team take such a hiding.

It would appear we got our wires crossed.

## harmful?

If it had been a horse race the stewards would have wasted little time instigating an inquiry into Souths performances over the past two weeks.

It seems inexplicable that a side that offered such little opposition two weeks ago to be slaughtered by 18.5 can the next week comfortably end the winning sequence of a club that had won 16 in a row.

There is little doubt that the South Fremantle that brought Claremont back to earth on Monday is the true South Fremantle.

But why do they take their football so seriously at home, yet don't seem to care much when they play away?

They have not been beaten at home since June 1980, yet their form against West Perth continued a run of inept performances away that saw them go down to Subiaco and Perth in the lead-up to the finals and win only four of their last 10 qualifying games last year.

South are the obvious example in form reversals but one also has to wonder about West Perth. Premiership possibilities or premiership pretenders?

One week they looked the complete football machine as they demolished South by 113 points yet last week they looked like novices as Swan Districts, a team of comparable ability to South, gave them a hiding.

It can't do football any good for a team to be so good one week and so miserable the next.

Obviously the competitiveness or mental desire is not always there.

It's the sort of situation that is more likely to drive people away from football than attract them to games.

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# Marlboro MEN

STARS make the  
turnstiles click . . .

and we have plenty of star material in WA  
despite continued player movements across the border.

Each week Westside Football will look at the stars of last week's fixtures in our regular segment, MARLBORO MEN.

## ARNOLD COX



IT SEEMS as though East Perth have now found a suitable replacement for Stephen Curtis in the back pocket. Arnold Cox turned in a best-on-ground performance from the pocket last week and the thing which impressed most was his willingness to back his judgment.

Cox had been tried in the back pocket last year, but Saturday's performance was by far his most impressive in league football. He repelled many of Perth's attacking moves and Curtis can now be released to a roving commission or a half-back flank role.

## ALLAN SIDEBOTTOM . . . .

SWAN Districts ruckman ALLAN SIDEBOTTOM may have missed half of the pre-season work when he was at loggerheads with the club, but that has not affected his personal performances. Last Saturday, the athletic big man was in outstanding touch and was clearly the best man afield.

Together with Mike Richardson, Sidebottom destroyed West Perth. Richardson has been in top form in the opening three matches of the season and his eight goals as a ruck rover, two of which were classy snaps, left the Falcons defence floundering.

## ROD LESTER-SMITH . . . .



ROD LESTER-SMITH has been in scintillating touch in the first three matches of the season. The former State wingman is relishing his new role in the middle of the ground and was largely responsible for East Fremantle's easy win over Subiaco last Saturday.

Before this season Lester-Smith has been used successfully at centre-half-forward, centre-half-back and as a wingman, but seems to have found his real place in the centre. His aerial dominance midfield provided the Old Easts forwards with many opportunities.

## BRAD HARDIE . . . .

BRAD HARDIE displayed the skills which makes him one of the most dangerous forwards in the business when he kicked five goals to help South Fremantle down Claremont at Fremantle Oval last Monday.

Hardie was at his elusive best and his pace was too much for the Claremont defence to handle. He has been in outstanding form all season and is an important cog in the South Fremantle machinery. He also showed his versatility late in the match when he was moved to a wing.



# SANDOVER MEDAL GUIDE

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

APRIL 10	Westside Football	West Australian	Weekend News	Sunday Times	Sunday Independent	TVW 7	6PR	6IX	6WF	Umpires
Swan Dist. v West Perth	Peter Poat: Sidebottom (SD) Richardson (SD) Shine (SD)	Geoff Christian: Sidebottom Richardson P. Narkle (SD)	Robbie Burns: Sidebottom Shine Nowotny (SD)	Ray Wilson: Richardson Shine Sidebottom	Kevin O'Brien: Richardson Sidebottom P. Narkle	Ken McAullay: Sidebottom Richardson P. Narkle	Bob Hicks: Sidebottom P. Narkle Richardson	Neil Garland: Richardson Shine Sidebottom	Ray Sleeth: Sidebottom Richardson K. Narkle (SD)	Powell/Johnson
Perth v East Perth	Gary Stocks: Cox (EP) Hamilton (EP) Cousins (P)	Doug Young: Cox Cousins Kerr (EP)	Michael Thomson: Cox Cousins Kerr	Colin Hopkins: Cox Walsh (EP) Edwards (EP)	Gary Stocks: Cox Hamilton Cousins	Wayne Harvey: Cox Walsh Cousins	Oscar Howard: Ironmonger (EP) Cox Baynes (P)	Harvey Deegan: Cox Walsh Cousins	Tim Flynn: Kerr Edwards Cousins	Morris/O'Reilly
Sth. Frem. v Claremont	Gary Stocks: Barrett (SF) B. Hardie (SF) Daniels (C)	Geoff Christian: Hardie Cornell (SF) Ralph (C)	Michael Thomson: Hardie Barrett Ralph	Ray Wilson: Barrett Hardie Vasoli (SF)	Gary Stocks: Barrett Hardie Daniels	NOT AVAILABLE	Peter Van Helden: Hardie Cornell Ralph	Phil Mulcahy: Daniels Barrett Hardie	Eric Sarich: Barrett Ralph Hardie	Rowe/Phillips
Subiaco v East Frem.	Alan East: Keene (S) Lester-Smith (EF) Kerr (EF)	Doug Young: Lester-Smith Kerr Keene	Robbie Burns: Lester-Smith Kerr Keene	Robert Bennett: Lester-Smith Kerr Sewell (EF)	Peter Sweeney: Lester-Smith Kerr Sewell	NOT AVAILABLE	Brien Thirley: Lester-Smith Keene Sewell	Chris Mitsopoulos: Lester-Smith Kerr Sewell	David Dyson: Lester-Smith Kerr Sewell	Capes/Salis

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IT'S MINE... that's the message from this young Falcon as he streams towards the football in last week's R & I Little League game against Swan Districts.

## Claremont remain unbeaten

CLAREMONT became the only unbeaten side in the R and I Little League when they beat South Fremantle last week.

West Perth were also unbeaten up until last week, but Swan Districts proved too strong for them.

The Tigercubs beat South Fremantle by five points in an outstanding exhibition in front of the 12,500 people who were at the ground to watch the senior game.

M. Rohr, D. Bennett and P. Sherwood were in good form for Claremont while F. Gunnella, R. Woods and W. Brewer put in top class games for the Bulldogs. Swan Districts proved too powerful for West Perth and won 2.2. to 1.1.

Subiaco turned on their football power to beat East Fremantle.

The Lions scored 5.4 (34) while managing to hold Old Easts scoreless.

David Collins, Brendon Green and Robert Malone helped set up the victory for Subiaco while Geoff Wilson, Chris

Giles and Geoff Hales tried hard for Old Easts.

Perth also scored a resounding victory over East Perth when they kicked 5.5 (35) while keeping their opponents scoreless.

East Perth tried hard but found the Demons a little too strong.

Outstanding players for Perth were Phillip Tinker, Shane Robbeck and Joe Sorensen while players for East Perth were Ting Oh, James Seagrin and Dean Clarke.

Claremont were represented by their own junior council, while Perth were represented by Kelmscott, East Perth (Coolbinia), Subiaco (Marist), East Fremantle (Thornlie), Swan Districts (Kalamunda) and West Perth (Girrawheen).



The action is fast and furious in junior football as well... and here this West Perth player is put under pressure by his Swans opponent in their Little League clash.

## CUP COMPETITIONS

### TIGER CUP

The Claremont Football Club's Tiger Cup competition (17s and under) conduct their third set of fixtures this Sunday.

"All teams are competitive at this stage, bar Panthers," said competition president Jim Cross.

The Mosman Park, Swanbourne and Cottesloe areas provide footballers for Panthers, but more are needed.

The team trains every Tuesday and Friday at Cottesloe Oval under coach Ed Renton, phone 341 4400.

"The remaining five sides have ample numbers," Mr. Cross said.

Magpies and Kangas are undefeated with eight points each on the ladder, closely followed by Cats (6) who drew their first game with fourth team Hawks (2), while Saints and Panthers have yet to win a game.

One team will remain without a win after Sunday's games, as Saints and Panthers do battle in the 3 o'clock game at Claremont Oval.

Kangas play Cats at 11 o'clock, followed by Magpies versus Hawks in the 1 o'clock game.

### Swans away

The Swan Districts Junior Council have already completed two playing fixtures and this season are catering for 105 different teams from 18 clubs, that figure excludes the unofficial competitions.

St. Bridgids College of Lesmurdie have been admitted to the Junior Council this season and Guildford Grammar have withdrawn.

The 12s and 13s grades play on Saturday mornings, while the 9s, 10s, 11s, 15s and 17s play throughout Sundays.

More umpires are needed, training is at Bassendean Oval each Thursday at 5 p.m., contact is umpires advisor Brian Purcell on 279 7308.

by Gary Bartholomeusz

### DEMON CUP

Perth Football Club's Demon Cup competition has fallen short of their aim to cater for six sides this season.

Now entering their third playing season, a new concept has been adopted for this year, with only five teams participating.

The competition remains under the control of the Demon Cup executive, a separate governing committee from Perth's league body, but teams have reverted back to the junior council attachment as far as names and training grounds. This was necessary to avoid breaking tradition from the junior clubs and in the hope of attracting more players.

Some teams have been amalgamated to provide sufficient numbers, but the real breakthrough has been the introduction of a South Suburban side, the area that has been a problem for the mother club for a long time.

The Demon Cup is an 18s and under competition. If there is a spare team anywhere, even in the 17s and under grade, that wishes to play on Sundays at Lathlain Park or elsewhere, please contact the president, Frank Newman on 3616691.

The teams and their colours that compete in the competition: Carlisle (green and black); Centrals - East Victoria Park (red and blue); Collier - Kensington (red and white); Manning - South Perth (orange and black); and South Suburban (dark and light blue).

## JUNIOR NEWS WANTED

We are always looking for material for our junior page sponsored by Town and Country. Whether it be a photograph or news on what is happening around a club we will do our best to ensure that it is printed.

## Hills lightning carnival

The Hills Junior Football Association conducted their annual lightning carnival last Sunday.

The carnival was held at two venues - Harry Riseborough Oval, Mundaring (9s and 12s) and Sawyers Valley Oval (15s and 17s).

The 12s grade provided some outstanding football with Bullsbrook, eventual winners with 264%, Darlington (258%, Mt. Helena 182% and Mundaring 76% all finishing on 12 points, with three wins and a loss each.

Swanleigh dominated the other grades, gaining first and second place, blue and gold teams, in the 15s and won the 17s.

Official fixtures begin this Sunday and the association welcome new team Salvado College, New Norcia in the 17s grade.

Eight teams will be competing in the 12s, nine in the 15s and the 17s will have 6 teams.

## Past coach honoured

by Gary Bartholomeusz

The Hills Junior Football Association will honour their former 12s and under combined side coach, the late Graham Turner, by awarding a perpetual trophy in his honour.

Turner, who died in a freak accident last month, was also coach of the 15s and under in the Gingin junior football club, the club he introduced to the Hills competition seven years ago.

The player voted the best team man (12s grade) at the annual country zone carnival will receive the perpetual trophy.

Thirty nine year old Turner, who leaves a wife and three children was always an active worker for junior football.

## Three clubs recruit top players

Wembley, University and Maylands have gone on extensive recruiting drives over the summer season.

While other clubs in the 'A' league have gained some top players, both Wembley and University seem to have picked up more than most in numbers and certainly big-name players.

Wembley have gained the services of former Claremont player John Colreavy as captain-coach (replacing George Young — who incidentally started in amateurs at Wembley before making his name in the W.A.F.L. and V.F.L.).

Colreavy has attracted former teammates, Dalton Gooding and Mark Carlon.

Along with former Subiaco stalwart Fred Davenport, they will form a formidable combination.

University, not to be outrecruited, have added Robbie Melville, Peter Annear, Steve Dobson (all former Claremont players) to join captain-coach Mike Salmon, Kim Craig and Norm Salamons, who all played together with the Tigers.

University's losses include premiership members David Steinepreis (to Perth), Terry Chapman (Subiaco) and Ian Symon (Victoria).

Maylands, in their 75th anniversary year, have gained top ruckman Neil Hunt to offset the loss of 1981's most promising player, Les Burke. Newcomers to the club include Ashley Tidy (Bunbury), Geoff Clohessy (Bindi Miling & Wanneroo), Ron Lilly (Manjimup), Murray James (Bindi-miling) and Mick Moores from Osborne Park.

The Rams look likely to push both University and Wembley for the 1982 top honours.

Mt Lawley appear to be the club hardest hit with over 10 of last year's 'A' league players moving on, including their No. 1 ruckman State player Denis Ireland (captain-coach of Floreat-Marist 'B' league), State players Wayne Howes (to Wembley), Mick Jones (Victoria) and Glen Coffey (Floreat-Marist). Others missing are Mick Whitely (Albany), Chris Matthews (cricket in the U.K.) and Bernie Box (Floreat-Marist).

'C' league club Whitfords have gained as captain-coach Tony Forrest (Mt Lawley 1981 'A' colts premiership coach), Peter Davies and Gary Caporn.

Mt Lawley's 1979 premiership coach Phil Turner, is replaced by Ken Smith (former West Perth and Wanneroo) who faces a difficult job to find replacement players.

Much will depend on their 1981 premiership colts players graduating into 'A' league players.

Newly-promoted 'B' league minor premiers North Beach meet Nollamara, who haven't been impressive in trial games and have lost players including No. 1 State ruckman Colin Walker (to Floreat-Marist).

The Beach team, coached by former 1973 All Australian amateur footballer Jim Di Carlo (1981 'B' colts premiership coach), appear to have gained several good players while retaining last season's top performers including former captain-coach Joe O'Neil.

Nolla's coach Colin Tincknell, appears to have a hard task to select a team to down their more balanced opposition.



Dalton Gooding

Old Scotch (coached by Geoff Peck) are evenly matched with Old Wesley now under the control of Denis Williams (West Perth). Both teams have had a low profile build-up to the season and it is difficult to assess their chances.

Trinity-Aquinas should defeat Mt Lawley in a close game. Much will depend on both team's ability to play out the full 100 minutes. Trinity "Boomers" have done enough in pre-season games to start favourites, having retained Dick Manning as captain-coach.

Wembley have the ability to easily down Collegians (coached by Claremont's Kim Malcolm). Collegians will have to show more four quarter consistency this season to be a serious top four contender.

In the match of the day, Maylands' real test of improvement will be against the firepower of 1981 'A' premiers University.

Uni may have a slight edge in key position play and could gain the four points in a hard slogging game.

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### "B" LEAGUE

All eyes will be on Floreat-Marist who have recruited extensively, gaining many current top amateur players since the appointment of Denis Ireland as coach. Other new coaching appointments include Gary Stickman (Carlisle), who has had a successful colts record, Glen Hurst (North Fremantle) and former East Fremantle player Paul Bennett (C.B.C.).

Newly promoted club City Beach will be watched with interest over the opening games.

### "C" LEAGUE

Whitfords appear to have gained the most in this division and were unlucky finalists last season. They already seem to have the ability to be a boom team this year. Their main rivals could be Forrestfield, who look like one of the league's fastest climbing club.

### "D" DIVISION

Interest will be with Hellenic who have left the Sunday division where they were a top team.



## Ashley takes up new role

MR JOHN ASHLEY has recently been appointed to the position of W.A.A.F.L. Executive Officer.

He comes into the newly created post with an outstanding background of administration and expertise in all levels of football.

For 15 years he was secretary of the Perth Football Club's junior council and served on the committee of management for 12 years, three as vice-president.

He stepped down in 1979 when his appointment as Clerk of the Legislative Council in the W.A. Parliament prevented him from devoting sufficient time to serve on the committee.

Recently he completed a revision of the rules of the Perth Football Club (Inc.) to provide for a Board of Directors, replacing a committee of management. Since his retirement from parliamentary duties, he has now devoted his full time to the amateur league and we wish him well.

## LEAGUE KICKS OFF WITH 4,500 PLAYERS

The 1982 Western Australian Amateur Football League season starts this weekend.

There will be 70 games on Saturday and four games on Sunday involving almost 3,000 players in 12 divisions of senior and three divisions of colts (under 20).

In all, over 4,500 players will take to the field in amateur football throughout this season — the single biggest football league in WA.

With nearly 150 teams and 69 clubs chasing only 15 premierships, much interest will be in early season results, especially newly promoted or relegated teams (see last week's issue of Westside Football).

### SUNDAY DIVISION

Two rookie clubs in Langford and Stirling Districts will put new interest into this competition.

Graylands, coached this season by G. Bergerson (ex Mt Lawley), have their chance to be a big influence throughout 1982 as they have retained most of last season's players.

### CONTRIBUTIONS WANTED

Amateur clubs and supporters are invited to make contributions (News, club functions, presentations, etc.) to this page by submitting articles in writing to the W.A.A.F.L.; Bag 15 P.O. West Perth or by phoning Amateur League Headquarters on 382 1293 no later than the Friday before publication.

### THIS SATURDAY

#### "A" LEAGUE

Maylands vs University, Bassendean Oval.  
North Beach vs Nollamara Charles Riley Oval; Old Wesley vs Old Scotch, Fremantle Oval; Wembley vs Collegians, Leederville Oval; Mt Lawley vs Trinity-Aquinas, Inglewood Oval.

#### "B" LEAGUE

Scarborough vs C.B.C., Millington Reserve; Wembley (No. 2) vs Morley, Henderson Park; Carlisle vs University (No. 2), Carlisle Reserve; North Fremantle vs Bayswater, Gilfraser Reserve; Floreat-Marist vs City Beach, McLean Park.

The public are invited to watch these games. There is no admittance charge.

## AUSTRALIAN CARNIVAL REPORT

PERTH 1982

## Interesting names in amateurs

SOME interesting names have appeared in Western Australian carnival teams over the years.

Tom Naylor (current W.A.A.F.L. Registrar) was a member of the inaugural 1936 Adelaide carnival team.

In the 1951 Melbourne carnival team Bill Sneddon — now Sir Billy Sneddon, Speaker in the House of Representatives in Canberra — was one of the members. He had played his football for the University team.

Also among those to represent W.A. that year was Tony Parentich, who later made a name for himself with South Fremantle.

In 1953, current State Premier, Mr Ray O'Connor, represented the amateurs against

Avon Valley in the run up to the carnival of that year.

His team manager that year was political rival Colin Jamieson, M.L.A., now president of W.A.A.F.L.

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# Wesfarmers COUNTRY ROUNDUP

## Katanning club seeks new home

Central Great Southern National Football League team Wanderers is negotiating to purchase land to build its own headquarters.

The club has its sights on a four hectare property near the Katanning showgrounds.

Moves to develop its own ground stem from dissatisfaction with its present home ground Kupara Park.

The property Wanderers are now seeking represents half of a seven hectare lot recently acquired by the Katanning Agricultural Society.

## De Grey series

Football in the De Grey League will start this Sunday with the lightning carnival and home-and-away fixtures will begin the following week.

The carnival will be played at Finucane Island, but, unfortunately only four teams will be competing.

Already the season is shaping up as a keen one but most coaches are playing their cards close to the chest.

If Panthers can gain the services of Ian Williams from Swan Districts it will do a great deal for the competition.

Williams is an outstanding player and would be a huge draw card. The former State player has had a disagreement with Swan Districts and the indications are that he could be playing up North this season.

## Open battle

IN the last four years, the Southern Districts National Football League has been dominated by North Albany and Royals.

But that does not appear to be the case this year.

After two matches Royals have failed to win a game.

Last week they were beaten by Railways for the first time since 1977 and the Tigers were impressive in winning.

It was a high standard match and Railways ran out winners by four goals.

In other matches North Mt Barker continued their winning run with a victory over Denmark, while North Albany remained unbeaten in emerging victors over South Mt Barker.

The match of the day this week should be between North Mt Barker and Railways at Souness Park.

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### COUNTRY NEWS

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## No change in match days for Esperance

The Esperance Football Association has decided against a plan to alter match days from Sunday to Saturday.

The proposal, put forward by the Gibson Club, received little support.

Most clubs felt they would be unable to field reserves sides if matches were played on Saturdays and also claimed it would affect many league players who worked on that day.

The league has decided to lift the adult admission charge this season by 40 cents.

Qualifying fixtures for the 1982 season commence this Sunday.

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## South West Launch New Promotion

The South West National Football League has embarked on a promotional campaign to boost attendances.

In a deal with a Bunbury motor dealership, the league will give away two prizes each week to a car which carries a specially produced football promotion sticker (above). An overall winner will receive a trip to Bali.

It is the latest step in a campaign which commenced last season, to get bigger crowds to local football. Last year, the drive was mainly concentrated on radio and television advertising. This will continue during the '82 season together with the sticker promotion. The theme for the entire campaign will be "NOTHIN' BEATS FOOTY".

## Big awards for SWNFL

South West National Football League teams and players will share in another big bounty of awards this season.

The premiership team will receive \$2,000 in cash from Bunbury motor firm, Paul Motors.

The top clubs in the qualifying rounds

will compete for \$1,000 from E.G. Green and Sons.

Hume Industries and the Town and Country Building Society will again both provide \$500 player awards.

The SWNFL's top goalkicker will receive \$250 in an award from the Captain Bunbury Hotel plus \$5 for every goal scored over 100.

## Club honours Alan Hamilton

SOUTHERN Districts National Football League club Royals have honoured one of their longest-serving and hardest workers.

Immediate past-president Alan Hamilton has been involved with the club, either in a playing capacity, as a committeeman or as president for the last 30 years.

During his eight-year term as president, Mr Hamilton initiated many successful ventures at Royals, including the recently-built grandstand which was erected next to the clubrooms.

The Albany Town Council has agreed that Mr Hamilton should be honoured for his services to football and it was recently announced that the stand will be called the Alan Hamilton stand.

Councillors Russell Faulkner and Evonne Atwell made the announcement after the first round of fixtures.

Mr Hamilton played league football when just 16 and is a life member of the Royals Football and Sporting Club.

He has been the club's delegate to the SDNFL for a number of years and was recently elected junior vice-president of the league.

### New Look Tigers

Lower South West National Football League club Tigers have begun the season on the right note.

They have recruited extensively but besides strengthening their onfield performances they have moved to new clubrooms and a new oval.

Restoration work on Rae Park began two seasons ago and when the lightning carnival was held recently it was a treat.

Once the work on the oval began, the club decided to do something about their headquarters and now they boast a luxurious bar and outstanding facilities.

It all augers well for a bright season for the Tigers.

### SUNDAY KICK-OFF

FOOTBALL in the Upper Great Southern National Football League kicks off this Sunday.

In what promises to be the match-of-the-day Railways will play a rejuvenated West Arthur.

West Arthur have recruited well and played good football pre-season which suggests they could be a force in the competition.

Railways have Laurie Richards at the helm and he will be a big boost for the club, which struggled to win games last year.

In another top game Williams will meet Towns.

Williams are still smarting from their defeat in last year's grand final and are anxious to get off to a good start.

In other matches Boddington play Rovers, Wickepin come up against Federals and Pingelly will meet Cuballing.

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# THE GREAT GOALKICKERS



Western Australia has produced some prolific goalkickers over the years and in this new segment Westside Football looks at some of the greatest from each of the eight league clubs.

Westside Football writer GARY STOCKS will peer into the past to bring back memories of the men who thrilled the crowds with their uncanny goal sense.

Last week we took a look at South Fremantle's great full-forwards, this week, in the second of these special features, we look at Subiaco.



## Robertson . . . our greatest ever

Every football follower in the State knows of Austin Robertson, the record breaking Subiaco full-forward.

But few would know about his other sporting achievements.

As a teenager he was destined to make his mark on the Australian water polo scene when, at 15, he became the youngest person ever selected in a West Australian team.

And he was also a handy cricketer. While at Scotch College he made a superb century in a team which contained such well known names as John Inverarity and Ian Brayshaw.

Robertson was the true all round sportsman. He excelled at everything he did.

In his young days as a footballer at Scotch College he booted 110 goals from just 10 matches in the public schools competition.

But it was only a strange twist of fate which saw him carve his name into the Australian Rules record books.

In his first season of league football he topped the goal kicking table and up until that year, 1962 the leading goal scorer in the league won a furniture suite.

However, the award was terminated at the end of the 1961 season so the Subiaco Football Club set about rewarding the young man who had achieved the remarkable feat.

### DONATIONS

All the members donated to the cause and Robertson earned one pound for each of the 89 kicks he sent sailing through the big sticks.

But, naturally enough, they sought publicity for the action and it resulted in an unexpected turn of events.

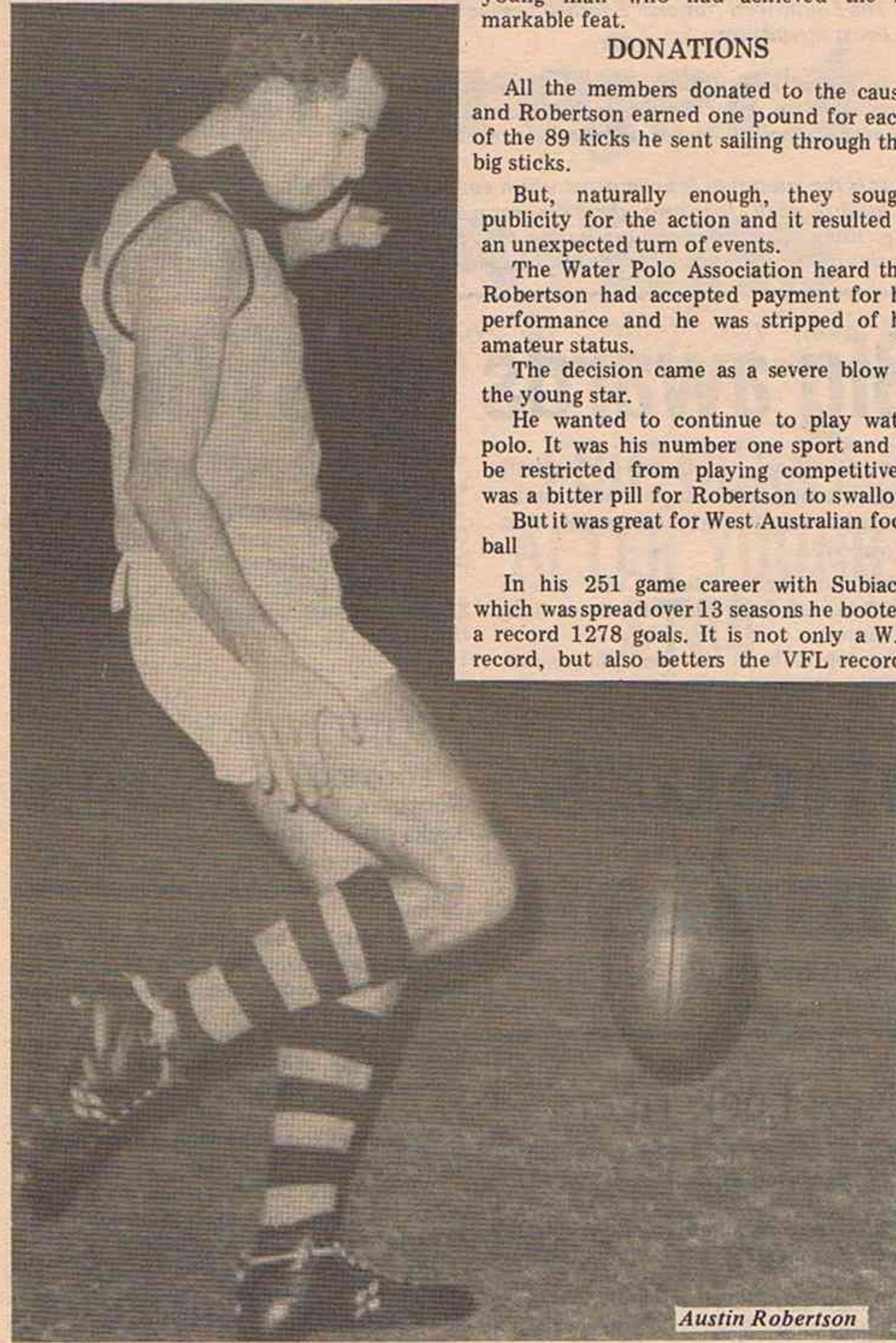
The Water Polo Association heard that Robertson had accepted payment for his performance and he was stripped of his amateur status.

The decision came as a severe blow to the young star.

He wanted to continue to play water polo. It was his number one sport and to be restricted from playing competitively was a bitter pill for Robertson to swallow.

But it was great for West Australian football.

In his 251 game career with Subiaco which was spread over 13 seasons he booted a record 1278 goals. It is not only a WA record, but also better than the VFL record.



Austin Robertson

Lions they only finished better than fourth on one occasion — when they broke the 49 year premiership drought in 1973.

It is remarkable that a man could boot so many goals in a lowly side.

He mastered the drop punt and rarely missed a deliberate shot at goal.

Robertson's greatest asset was his pace.

And that is not surprising because his father Austin Robertson senior was a professional world sprinting champion.

Robertson senior passed on his knowledge to his son and there were few full-backs who could match the younger version off the mark and over the vitally important first 10 metres.

Robertson is now living in Sydney and works for Consolidated Press as well as having strong ties with cricketing circles in New South Wales.

### COACHING

After breaking almost every record there was with his goal kicking prowess Robertson turned to coaching and has a 100 per cent record in that field.

In his first season with East Sydney they won the pennant. But then he decided his work commitments were such that he did not have the time necessary to devote to coaching and he moved away from the scene.

However, East Sydney did not perform up to expectations in the next three seasons and the club approached Robertson to consider taking over at the helm again.

He did. And the result was another premiership.

With one qualifying match remaining in the 1968 season Robertson needed 15 goals to break the record for the number of goals kicked in one WAFL season.

South Fremantle legend Bernie Naylor kicked 156 goals in qualifying matches in 1953 and after 20 games Robertson had booted 142 majors.

On August 31, 1968 Austin Robertson kicked a mammoth 15 goals to become the highest goal kicker in one WAFL season.

### GREAT YEAR

Indeed 1968 was a great year for a great man.

In seven matches he kicked 10 or more goals in one match and it seemed that he loved playing the Fremantle sides.

In the six qualifying matches played against the two sides in that memorable year Robertson managed to kick 10 goals or more in four of those matches.

He kicked a tally of 28 goals against Old Easts in two games and bagged two lots of 10 against the Bulldogs.

Robertson headed the WAFL goal kicking table eight times during his career and was Subiaco's most prolific scorer every year during his career except in 1966 when present day president Kevin Merfield broke the sequence.

Robertson had to wait until his 12th season in league football before playing in his first premiership which makes his feat of kicking more than 1200 goals even more impressive.

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### Players who have kicked ten or more goals in a match.

Goals	Player	Versus	Dates
10	'Pat' Rodriguez	Claremont/Cottesloe	19 June, 1926
11	Jack Jennings	Claremont	25 August, 1934
13	Jack Jennings	Victoria Park	25 May, 1935
11	Merv Screigh	South Frem.	27 June, 1959
10	Austin Robertson	Claremont	14 April, 1962
10	Austin Robertson	Claremont	3 June, 1963
10	Austin Robertson	West Perth	24 June, 1967
10	Austin Robertson	East Perth	29 July, 1967
13	Austin Robertson	Swan Districts	6 April, 1968
10	Austin Robertson	South Frem.	27 April, 1968
13	Austin Robertson	East Frem.	13 July, 1968
10	Austin Robertson	Claremont	27 July, 1968
10	Austin Robertson	East Perth	3 August, 1968
10	Austin Robertson	South Frem.	10 August, 1968
15	Austin Robertson	East Frem.	31 August, 1968
11	Austin Robertson	West Perth	16 August, 1969
10	Austin Robertson	South Frem.	29 May, 1971
11	Austin Robertson	Swan Districts	4 Sept., 1971
11	Mick Malone	East Frem.	6 May, 1978

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# National FIXTURES-RESULTS



## WAFL

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**MARCH 27**  
Cl'mont 20.9, East Perth 16.20  
Swans 20.28, East Frem. 23.17  
St. Frem. 24.25; Perth 12.12  
Subiaco 13.11; W. Perth 15.21

**APRIL 3**  
E. Frem. 15.10, Cl'mont 23.13  
W. Perth 30.15, S. Frem. 11.16  
Perth 16.10, Subiaco 13.17

**APRIL 4 - SUNDAY**  
E. Perth 17.9, Swans 20.25

**APRIL 10**  
Swans 25.18, W. Perth 13.13  
Perth 9.8, E. Perth 17.9

**APRIL 12**  
S. Frem. 20.19, Cl'mont 17.9  
Subiaco 14.26, E. Frem. 23.15

**APRIL 17**  
East Frem. v South Frem.  
Claremont v Subiaco  
East Perth v West Perth  
Perth v Swan Districts

**APRIL 24**  
South Frem. v East Perth (S)  
West Perth v East Frem.  
Swan Districts v Subiaco  
Claremont v Perth

**MAY 1**  
Perth v West Perth  
Subiaco v South Frem.  
Swan Districts v Claremont  
East Frem. v East Perth

**MAY 8**  
East Perth v Subiaco  
South Frem. v Swan Districts  
West Perth v Claremont

**MAY 9 - SUNDAY**  
Perth v East Frem. (S)

**MAY 15**  
East Perth v Claremont  
East Frem. v Swan Districts (S)  
Perth v South Frem.  
West Perth v Subiaco

**MAY 22**  
Swan Districts v East Perth  
Claremont v East Frem.  
South Frem. v West Perth  
Subiaco v Perth

**MAY 29**  
West Perth v Swan Districts  
East Perth v Perth  
Claremont v South Frem.  
East Frem. v Subiaco

**JUNE 5**  
West Perth v East Perth  
Swan Districts v Perth

**JUNE 7**  
South Frem. v East Frem.  
Subiaco v Claremont

**JUNE 12**  
East Frem. v West Perth  
East Perth v South Frem.  
Subiaco v Swan Districts  
Perth v Claremont  
(ADELAIDE)  
South Australia v West Australia

**JUNE 19**  
Perth v West Perth  
South Frem. v Subiaco  
Claremont v Swan Districts  
East Perth v East Frem. (S)

**JUNE 26**  
Subiaco v East Perth  
East Frem. v Perth  
Swan Districts v South Frem.

**JUNE 27 - SUNDAY**  
West Perth v Claremont

### HOME GROUNDS

Subiaco . . . . . Subiaco  
West Perth . . . . . Leederville  
East Perth . . . . . Perth  
Perth . . . . . Lathlain  
East Fremantle . . . . . East Fremantle  
South Fremantle . . . . . Fremantle  
Swan Districts . . . . . Bassendean  
Claremont . . . . . Claremont  
League Headquarters . . . . . Subiaco

**JULY 3**  
Claremont v East Perth  
Swan Districts v East Frem.  
South Frem. v Perth  
Subiaco v West Perth

**JULY 10**  
East Perth v Swan Districts  
East Frem. v Claremont  
West Perth v South Frem.  
Perth v Subiaco

**JULY 13 - TUESDAY**  
Western Australia v Victoria (S)

**JULY 17**  
W. Australia v S. Australia (S)

**JULY 24**  
West Perth v Swan Districts  
Perth v East Perth  
South Frem. v Claremont  
Subiaco v East Frem.

**JULY 31**  
East Frem. v South Frem.  
Claremont v Subiaco  
East Perth v West Perth  
Perth v Swan Districts (S)

**AUGUST 7**  
South Frem. v East Perth  
West Perth v East Frem.  
Swan Districts v Subiaco  
Claremont v Perth (S)

**AUGUST 14**  
West Perth v Perth  
Swan Districts v Claremont  
East Frem. v East Perth

**AUGUST 15 - SUNDAY**  
Subiaco v South Frem.

**AUGUST 21**  
East Perth v Subiaco  
Perth v East Frem.  
South Frem. v Swan Districts  
Claremont v West Perth

**AUGUST 28**  
FIRST SEMI-FINAL (S)  
SEPTEMBER 4  
SECOND SEMI-FINAL (S)  
SEPTEMBER 11  
PRELIMINARY FINAL (S)  
SEPTEMBER 18  
GRAND FINAL (S)

## VFL

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

**MARCH 20 (Part Round 2)**  
Fitzroy 13.11 Rich. 20.10

**MARCH 27 (Round 1)**  
C'wood 7.16, Geelong 21.10  
Ess'don 29.16, F'scray 11.15  
Carlton 16.17, Fitzroy 17.11  
St Kilda 12.16, H'thorne 17.17  
R'mond 18.14, Nth. Melb 15.14

**MARCH 28 (Part Round 1)**  
St. Melb. 20.17, Melb. 16.12

**APRIL 3 (Round 2)**  
Carlton 8.17, Essendon 13.13  
F'scray 14.8, Coll'wood 15.14  
H'thorne 13.19, Geelong 11.12  
Melb. 20.26, St. Kilda 16.10  
N. Melb 24.13, S. Melb. 16.21

**APRIL 10 & 12 (Round 3)**  
H'thorne 28.26, Footscray 7.9  
Coll'wood 13.16, Carlton 20.8  
R'mond 25.28, Ess'don 16.14  
Geelong 21.12, Melb. 5.16  
Fitzroy 14.16, N. Melb. 25.14  
St. Kilda 17.14, S. Melb. 20.22

**APRIL 17 (Round 4)**  
Richmond v Collingwood (P)  
Melbourne v Footscray  
Carlton v Hawthorn  
Essendon v North M' b.  
St Kilda v Geelong

**APRIL 18 (Part Round 4)**  
South Melb. v Fitzroy (S)

**APRIL 24 (Round 5)**  
Melbourne v Carlton (P)  
Hawthorn v Richmond  
North Melb. v Collingwood  
Footscray v St Kilda  
Fitzroy v Essendon  
Geelong v South Melb.

**MAY 1 (Round 6)**  
Hawthorn v North Melb. (P)  
Collingwood v Fitzroy  
Richmond v Melbourne  
St Kilda v Carlton  
Geelong v Footscray

**MAY 2 (Part Round 6)**  
South Melb. v Essendon (S)

**MAY 8 (Round 7)**  
Melbourne v North Melb.  
Fitzroy v Hawthorn  
Carlton v Geelong  
Essendon v Collingwood  
Footscray v South Melb.

**MAY 9 (Round 7)**  
St Kilda v Richmond (B)

**MAY 15 (Round 8)**  
Fitzroy v Melbourne (P)  
North Melb. v St Kilda  
Geelong v Richmond  
Hawthorn v Essendon  
Footscray v Carlton

**MAY 16 (Part Round 8)**  
South Melb. v Collingwood (S)

**MAY 22 (Round 9)**  
Geelong v North Melb. (P)  
Richmond v Footscray  
Collingwood v Hawthorn  
Essendon v Melbourne  
St Kilda v Fitzroy  
Carlton v South Melb.

**MAY 29 (Round 10)**  
Essendon v St Kilda (P)  
Carlton v Richmond  
Melbourne v Collingwood  
Footscray v North Melb.  
Fitzroy v Geelong

**MAY 30 (Part Round 10)**  
South Melb. v Hawthorn (S)

**JUNE 5 (Round 11)**  
Footscray v Fitzroy (P)  
Collingwood v St Kilda  
Hawthorn v Melbourne  
North Melb. v Carlton  
Geelong v Essendon  
Richmond v South Melb.

**JUNE 12 & 14 (Round 12)**  
Geelong v Hawthorn (P)  
Richmond v Fitzroy  
St Kilda v Melbourne  
Essendon v Carlton  
Collingwood v Footscray

**JUNE 13 (Part Round 12)**  
South Melb. v North Melb. (S)

**JUNE 19 (Round 13)**  
Essendon v Richmond (P)  
Carlton v Collingwood  
Footscray v Hawthorn  
North Melb. v Fitzroy  
Melbourne v Geelong

**JUNE 20 (Part Round 13)**  
South Melb. v St. Kilda (S)

**JUNE 26 (Round 14)**  
Footscray v Melbourne (P)  
Hawthorn v Carlton  
Collingwood v Richmond  
Geelong v St Kilda  
North Melb. v Essendon  
Fitzroy v South Melb.

**JULY 3 (Round 15)**  
Collingwood v North Melb. (P)  
Essendon v Fitzroy  
St Kilda v Footscray  
Carlton v Melbourne  
Richmond v Hawthorn

**JULY 4 (Part Round 15)**  
South Melb. v Geelong (S)

**JULY 10 & 17 (Round 16)**  
Carlton v St Kilda (P)  
Hawthorn v North Melb.  
Melbourne v Richmond  
Footscray v Geelong  
Fitzroy v Collingwood  
Essendon v South Melb.

**JULY 24 (Round 17)**  
Hawthorn v Fitzroy (P)  
Richmond v St Kilda  
North Melb. v Melbourne  
Geelong v Carlton  
Collingwood v Essendon

### HOME GROUNDS

Footscray . . . . . Western Oval  
Fitzroy . . . . . Junction Oval  
Richmond . . . . . M.C.G.  
Geelong . . . . . Kardinia Park  
Hawthorn . . . . . Princes Park  
South Melbourne . . . . . Sydney Cricket Ground  
Melbourne . . . . . M.C.G.  
Carlton . . . . . Princes Park  
Essendon . . . . . Windy Hill  
North Melbourne . . . . . Arden St. Oval  
St. Kilda . . . . . Moorabbin Oval  
Collingwood . . . . . Victoria Park  
League Headquarters . . . . . V.F.L. Park

**JULY 25 (Part Round 17)**  
South Melb. v Footscray (S)

**JULY 31 (Round 18)**  
Richmond v Geelong (P)  
Carlton v Footscray  
Melbourne v Fitzroy  
St Kilda v North Melb.  
Essendon v Hawthorn  
Collingwood v South Melb.

**AUGUST 7 (Round 19)**  
Melb. v Essendon (P)  
Hawthorn v Collingwood  
Footscray v Richmond  
North Melb. v Geelong  
Fitzroy v St Kilda

**AUGUST 8 (Part Round 19)**  
South Melb. v Carlton (S)

**AUGUST 14 (Round 20)**  
North Melb. v Footscray (P)  
Richmond v Carlton  
Collingwood v Melbourne  
St Kilda v Essendon  
Geelong v Fitzroy  
Hawthorn v South Melb.

**AUGUST 21 (Round 21)**  
St Kilda v Collingwood (P)  
Carlton v North Melb.  
Melbourne v Hawthorn  
Fitzroy v Footscray  
Essendon v Geelong

**AUGUST 22 (Part Round 21)**  
South Melb. v Richmond (S)

**AUGUST 28 (Round 22)**  
Fitzroy v Carlton (P)  
Hawthorn v St Kilda  
North Melb. v Richmond  
Geelong v Collingwood  
Footscray v Essendon  
Melbourne v South Melb.

**SEPTEMBER 4**  
Team No. 2 v Team No. 3  
Team No. 4 v Team No. 5

**SEPTEMBER 11**  
Team No. 3 v Team No. 4  
Team No. 1 v Team No. 2

**SEPTEMBER 18**  
PRELIMINARY FINAL  
SEPTEMBER 25  
GRAND FINAL

## 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 3**  
W. Adel. 23.11, C. Dist 20.19  
Glenelg 17.13, Norwood 14.12  
P. Adel. 17.21, S. Adel. 7.6  
W. Adel. 20.20, Sturt 16.12  
W. Tor. 13.18, W'ville 14.9

**APRIL 10**  
F. Adel. 12.6, Norwood 12.13  
Sturt 25.24, W. Adel. 21.20  
W. Tor. 13.12, N. Adel. 24.22  
W'ville. 18.8, C. Dist. 26.10  
S. Adel. 22.8, Glenelg. 21.10

**APRIL 17**  
West Torrens v Sturt  
Cent. Dist. v Glenelg  
Norwood v South Adel.  
West Adel. v Port Adel.  
Woodville v North Adel.

**APRIL 24**  
Cent. Dist. v West Torrens  
West Adel. v Norwood  
North Adel. v South Adel.

**APRIL 26**  
Port Adel. v Glenelg  
Sturt v Woodville

**MAY 1**  
West Adel. v Woodville  
South Adel. v West Torrens  
Glenelg v Sturt  
Norwood v North Adel.  
Port Adel. v Cent. Dist.

**MAY 8/9**  
North Adel. v West Adel.  
Cent. Dist. v Norwood  
Sturt v Port Adel.  
Woodville v South Adel.  
● West Torrens v Glenelg

**MAY 15**  
Cent. Dist. v Sturt  
South Adel. v West Adel.  
Glenelg v Woodville  
Norwood v West Torrens  
Port Adel. v North Adel.

**MAY 17**  
South Aust. v Victoria

**MAY 22/23**  
Glenelg v North Adel.  
South Adel. v Cent. Dist.  
Port Adel. v Woodville  
West Adel. v West Torrens  
● Norwood v Sturt

**MAY 29/30**  
Sturt v South Adel.  
Glenelg v West Adel.  
Woodville v Norwood  
North Adel. v Cent. Dist.  
● West Torrens v Port Adel.

**JUNE 5/6**  
North Adel. v Sturt  
South Adel. v Port Adel.  
Norwood v Glenelg  
Woodville v West Torrens  
● Central Dist. v West Adel.

**JUNE 12**  
South Aust. v West Aust.

**JUNE 14**  
Central Dist. v Woodville  
West Torrens v North Adel.  
Glenelg v South Adel.  
Port Adel. v Norwood  
West Adel. v South Adel.

**JUNE 19/20**  
Port Adel. v West Adel.  
South Adel. v Norwood  
Sturt v West Torrens  
North Adel. v Woodville  
● Glenelg v Cent. Dist.

**JUNE 26/27**  
South Adel. v North Adel.  
Port Adel. v Glenelg  
West Torrens v Cent. Dist.  
Woodville v Sturt  
● Norwood v West Adel.

**JULY 3**  
Glenelg v Sturt  
Central Dist. v Port Adel.  
West Torrens v South Adel.  
Woodville v West Adel.  
North Adel. v Norwood

**JULY 10/11**  
South Adel. v Woodville  
Glenelg v West Torrens  
Norwood v Cent. Dist.  
West Adel. v North Adel.  
● Port Adel. v Sturt

**JULY 17/18**  
Port Adel. v North Adel.  
Sturt v Central Dist.  
West Torrens v Norwood  
Woodville v Glenelg  
● West Adel. v South Adel.

**JULY 24**  
West Torrens v West Adel.  
Woodville v Port Adel.  
Cent. Dist. v South Adel.

Sturt v Norwood

North Adel. v Glenelg

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Norwood . . . . . Norwood  
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Sturt . . . . . Unley  
West Adelaide . . . . . Richmond  
Glenelg . . . . . Glenelg  
Woodville . . . . . Woodville  
League Headquarters Football Park

**JULY 31/AUGUST 1**  
South Adel. v Sturt  
West Adel. v Glenelg  
● Cent. Dist. v North Adel.

**AUGUST 7**  
Port Adel. v West Torrens  
Norwood v Woodville

**AUGUST 14/15**  
Glenelg v Norwood  
Sturt v North Adel.  
West Torrens v Woodville  
West Adel. v Cent. Dist.  
● Port Adel. v South Adel.

**AUGUST 21/22**  
Norwood v South Adel.

Glenelg v Cent. Dist.  
Port Adel. v West Adel.  
West Torrens v Sturt  
● Woodville v North Adel.

**AUGUST 28/29**  
South Adel. v Glenelg  
Cent. Dist. v Woodville  
Norwood v Port Adel.  
North Adel. v West Torrens  
● Sturt v West Adel.

**SEPTEMBER 4**  
Port Adel. v Glenelg  
Cent. Dist. v West Torrens  
Norwood v West Adel.  
Sturt v Woodville  
South Adel. v North Adel.

**SEPTEMBER 11**  
ELIMINATION FINAL

**SEPTEMBER 12**  
QUALIFYING FINAL

**SEPTEMBER 18**  
FIRST SEMI-FINAL

**SEPTEMBER 19**  
SECOND SEMI-FINAL

**SEPTEMBER 25**  
PRELIMINARY FINAL

**OCTOBER 2**  
GRAND FINAL



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# WESTSIDE WINNERS



ALAN EAST  
Western Mail

EAST FREM.  
v  
SOUTH FREM.

East Fremantle have fallen back into their "go backwards" football - and the straight-forward Souths will carve them up.



MARTY McDONNELL  
Channel 7

EAST PERTH  
v  
WEST PERTH

East Perth's big men will be too strong for their West Perth counter-parts. They will win the four points.



KEN MCAULLAY  
Channel 7

PERTH  
v  
SWAN DIST.

Swan Districts cannot be beaten. The only thing in Perth's favour is that they are playing at home for the third time in as many weeks.



TIM FLYNN  
6WF

CLAREMONT  
v  
SUBIACO

The Tigers are a better side than they showed last week and will eat the Lions this week. I cannot see Subiaco getting anywhere near Claremont.

# Super coach won't be impressed

"Mal Brown is the best coach I have ever played under". . . so said Melbourne full forward Mark Jackson, currently in Perth for a short visit while serving a two week suspension.

Jacko's statement would not receive much argument over here, although to be brutally honest, the recent South Fremantle debacle at Leederville would have left the Mal Brown image a little tarnished.

The remarkable side issue to Jackson's statement is that he is presently playing under Ron Barassi, reputedly the best coach in Australia. From where I sit, Jackson's assessment of Brown as number one is virtually tipping a bucket on Barassi.

"Barass" is fiercely proud of his giant reputation and if he gets word of his star goalkickers comments he won't be

very impressed . . . or even slightly amused! So watch out for fireworks between Melbourne's super-coach and the enigmatic Jackson.

## No second chances at Subi

Looks like it's one bad game and you're out at Subiaco this season.

## CAMPBELL'S KINGDOM

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Especially if you're rising 32 years of age.

Such was the case last week for the Lions' veteran centreman ruck rover Bill Valli.

Sure, he put in a "Shocker" against Perth, but in the opening round when Subiaco went down to West Perth by 22 points, Valli was in everybody's list of best players.

On top of that, the ball-getting ability of Bill Valli was one of the prime reasons Subiaco re-emerged as a competitive side last year.

Now he's been unceremoniously dumped!

Seems a bit tough to me.

## Goalkicking prospects

I noticed a couple of league goal kicking prospects in the reserves game at Bassendean last Saturday.

West Perth's Victorian recruit Philip Nash was most impressive. He took some towering marks and finished his work off with six goals. He may be a little short to be a key forward in senior football, but is certainly worthy of the chance.

At the other end of the ground, Swan Districts spearhead Brent Hutton was on display. Apparently he's just returning from an injury and though he didn't star, I liked the way he moved. Hutton gives me the impression he knows where to go in the forward line. He leads well and gives team mates something to kick at.

Yes, Philip Nash and Brent Hutton, put their names down as future league players at their respective clubs.

## Rare happening

While on reserves football, we had a rare happening at that level last week.

After two rounds of competition every side had won and lost a game.

That's right, the top side on the ladder had won the same number of games as the bottom side!

Must be a long time since that fact has happened in any grade of football.

One for our football historian, Dave Clement, to look into.

## No comments

Hope it's not on again!

I'm referring to the annoying practice of losing coaches not making themselves available for an after-match comment to the media.

The culprit last week was Perth's Ian Miller.

As far as I am concerned, there is no excuse for the non-appearance of a coach for a quick post-match assessment of the game.

All the media and public want is a brief summing-up of the match just completed. It takes approximately 30 seconds to fulfill this obligation.

It is not an unreasonable intrusion into the time of a coach.

Funny how winning coaches are readily available to air their thoughts to the press . . . and equally funny that whenever we read the "unavailable for comment" tag it is always from the loser!

## Tipping time

I picked three winners last week-end, which make me relatively confident of predicting a clean sweep this Saturday.

But, honestly, football form is becoming so topsy-turvy of late it is making things awkward for us "experts" trying to maintain an air of authority when summing-up a game of football.

But here goes . . . Claremont will beat Subiaco (no worries), East Perth, because of home ground advantage, to roll the Falcons. East Fremantle, with their new found glut of good little men should just beat Souths, and Swans to annihilate Perth.

The Derby will be the closest game of the day, and the Perth - Swan Districts clash the easiest in which to pick a winner.

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