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Bob Cribb suggests...

TWO TEAMS SHOULD DROP OUT

THE WAFL should look at eliminating the two bottom teams in the competition at the half-way mark of the season in a bid to make the run home to the finals more interesting.

To enable league football to continue to thrive as a spectator sport in this State, the weak teams must drop out of the competition earlier than the final round.

Only six teams should compete in the last half of the season as a refinement of the present policy of reducing the competition to four teams for the finals.

Naturally, the current two bottom sides - Perth and East Fremantle - would object to this concept.

But what better way to inspire them to greater achievements?

This is a possible solution to the present predicament facing football in this State - brought about by the one-sided nature of the competition.

I also think the WAFL should reduce the number of fixtures in any given season.

The whole thing is just too long-winded and it is obvious that we do not have enough good teams to provide top entertainment at four league grounds over 21 Saturdays every football season.

However, if the competition was streamlined by reducing the number of qualifying games - and also by eliminating the

weaker sides earlier than is now done - the game would be revitalised.

What is wrong with the best players from the sides that drop out being made available on a lease system to the six teams left in the competition?

Football is being crippled by costs.

Player payments are the biggest single expense and by dropping two sides out of the competition at the half way mark, costs could be reduced by 25 per cent.

At the same time the rights and privileges of members and supporters of those clubs that drop out must be protected.

They should be given reciprocal rights at the club of their choice from the six teams left in the competition.

LEISURE DOLLAR

If football is to successfully compete for its share of the leisure dollar the WAFL must look at suggestions like this.

Because of costs, sport-watchers these days will only pay to see the best.

They will not pay to see 100 minutes of one-sided football.

However, they will - and do - turn out in their thousands when the best sides are matched against each other as in the final round.

By reducing the field of competitors in the last half of the season, the WAFL would upgrade the standard of the competition.

Every Saturday there would be three games worth watching.

The League is under pressure from all quarters and already some media critics have decried the sport because of the performances of the weaker sides.

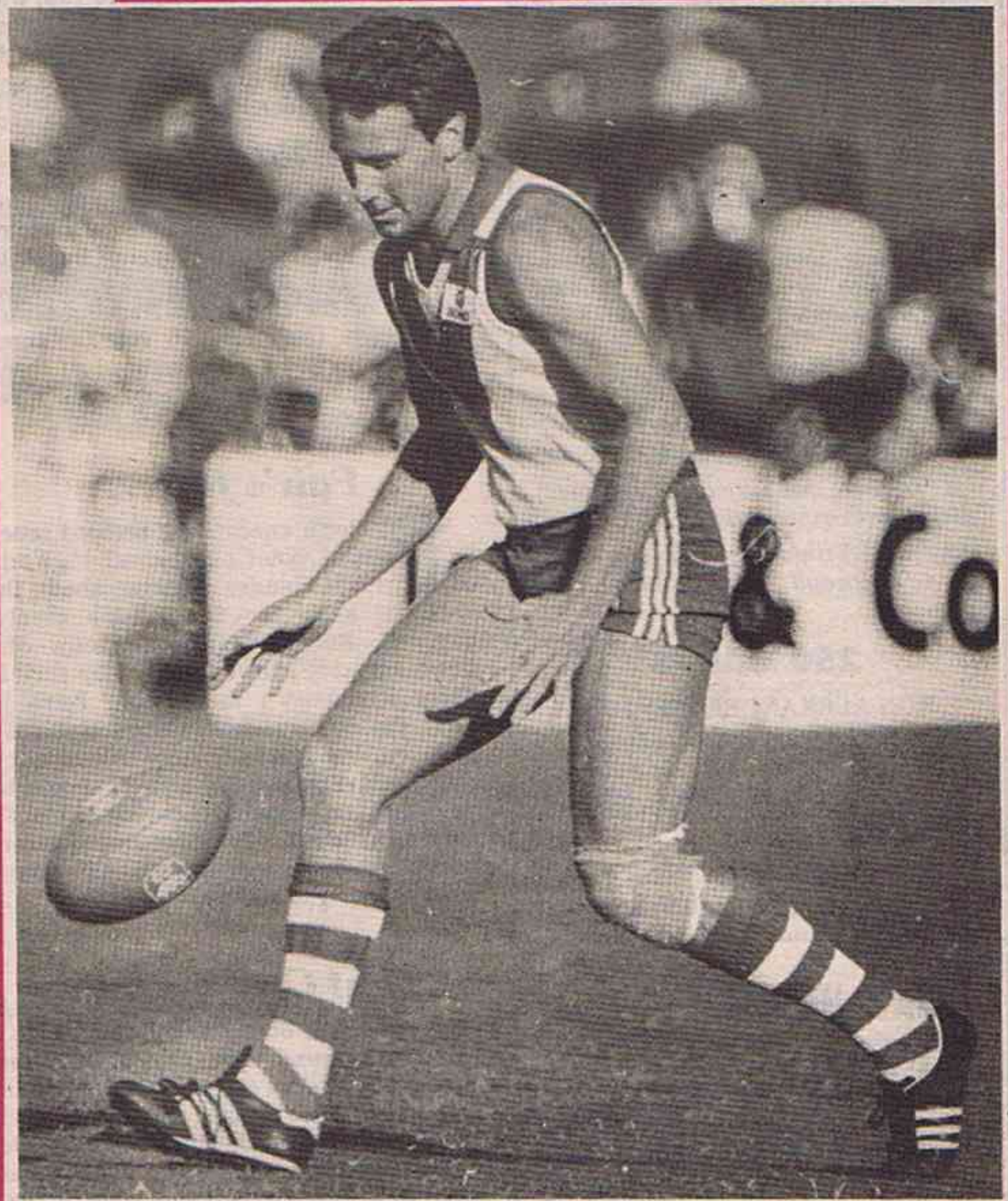
This year, however, I believe that there are six teams who can make a fight of the race for final four positions.

East Perth and Subiaco will improve as the season progresses.

To write them off along with Perth and East Fremantle would be wrong.

However, the bottom two are just not good enough and for them the season should be a short one.

MARLBORO'S MONEY MAN



Stazza a winner

HOT-HEADED South Fremantle redhead Chris Stasinowsky is a big winner after his destructive game against Subiaco last Saturday.

Stasinowsky sunk the Subiaco hopes with an 11-goal burst... and he becomes our first Marlboro \$100 winner since the 1981 season.

Marlboro, who sponsor our Golden Boot award, which carries a \$1000 cash prize, plus a golden boot for the player topping the WAFL goalkicking table at the end of the season, also offer the \$100 bonus for any player kicking a double-figure tally in a club match.

Warren Ralph and Simon Beasley took off the \$100 award four and two times respectively in 1981, while Noel Carter kicked an 11-goal tally once during the season. But no player recorded the feat last year.

Stasinowsky kicked his first double-figure tally after coming off the interchange bench for Souths in the first quarter. In fact, another poor performance from the mercurial half-forward would have seen him back in the reserves next week.

SHARKS ON REPORT

THE whole East Fremantle side has been reported after last Saturday's game against Swan Districts.

Nothing is going right for the Sharks and the umpires lodged a report against them for wearing the incorrect uniform.

They wore white shorts instead of blue and the result was that Swan Districts also lined-up in white shorts.

East Fremantle were the home side and were supposed to don the all-blue uniform.

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BRUCE MONTEATH (SF) 99
PAUL VASOLI (SF) 99*
PETER MURNANE (WP) 98*
PETER KEAYS (EF) 97*
DON LANGSFORD (SD) 97

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150 GAMES

BRIAN NEEDLE (EF) 147
BRYAN COUSINS (P) 143
BRIAN ADAMSON (WP) 141*

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200 GAMES

KEVIN WORTHINGTON (P) 199*
NEIL RANDALL (SF) 197*

*Denotes that tally includes games played with other clubs as follows: Kevin Worthington 102 Claremont 95 Collingwood; Neil Randall 152 Subiaco.

250 GAMES

RON ALEXANDER (EF) 247*

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We got it

Many football supporters were caught by surprise when big West Perth centre half back John Duckworth ran through a banner congratulating him on his 200th game at Leederville Oval last week. The Falcons, one of the most promotion-minded clubs in the league failed to inform the media that Duckworth was stepping out for the 200th time. However, regular readers of the Max Heiden Milestone Men in Westside Football would not have been surprised because we illustrated it last week.

Roo's handball

A feature of North Melbourne's mammoth win over Sydney Swans at the Sydney Cricket ground last Sunday was the incredible tally of handpasses amassed by North's players. Eleven Roos players had nine or more handpasses for the match. The team finished with a massive 195, with duel Sandover Medallist Phil Kelly having 21 to his credit. North's big win over the Swans shot them from tenth to third spot on the VFL ladder.

Marlboro award

West Perth skipper Les Fong and Claremont centreman Steve Malaxos are the joint leaders in the Marlboro player of the series award. There is a \$1,000 prize available at the end of the first seven league matches and already they have 16 votes — three more than South Fremantle half back Benny Vigona and Claremont ruck rover Allen Daniels.

Fair's fair...

EAST Perth coach Greg Brehaut raised an interesting point on Channel 7's World of Sport last Sunday. Talking about the need to keep the competition evenly-balanced, Brehaut wanted to know why situations were allowed to crop up such as Barry Kimberley's move from Perth to Swan Districts. "Here we have a club's top rover moving from a bottom side to a top side", said Brehaut. We agree it should be the other way around. That type of player-movement should be discouraged where possible even though players will always want to better themselves.

Teal Cup Success

THE success of the Teal Cup squad as a breeding ground for footballers-of-the-future was evident at Perth Oval on Saturday when three young stars made their debuts for East Perth. Angelo Delborrello, Clayton van den Dungen and John Garnett were all in the WA Teal Cup team of 1982 and have now graduated to league ranks on the same day. They join another of last year's Teal Cup players in Richard Dennis, who has been in the Royals' league line-up since the opening of the season.



...and plenty more

THERE are quite a few other names out of last year's Teal Cup side also in senior ranks. Michael Brennan has made his debut for East Fremantle, Darren Bennett achieved that late last season, as did Ken Martin at South Fremantle.

Kissin' Cousins

CLAREMONT's dynamic ruck-rover Allen Daniels was quite pleased to see his old wing position being filled by his cousin, Peter Davidson against East Perth. Davidson, a Teal Cup product from Collie, struggled to gain recognition at Swan Districts, where he was tied to residentially. So Daniels influenced Davidson to become a Tiger and he figured in a three-way swap deal earlier this year. His debut as a wingman and rover on Saturday was a good one and he should get more opportunities. The two cousins were early into Claremont's rooms on Saturday after their strapping sessions and despite Davidson's nervousness, he got off to a good start.

COACHING HELP

The South Fremantle Junior Council are mid-way through practical and theoretical courses for the coaching staff of teams from 8 to 12's grades.

April 30 at Fremantle Oval, when the league club meet Swan Districts, is the date and venue for this season's Bulldog parade involving most junior council players.

**Birthday
greetings**

IS your favourite footballer about to celebrate a birthday?

Brent Hutton (SD)
19 on April 15th.

Neil Lester-Smith (EF)
19 on 16th.

Gary Armstrong (P)
22 on 18th.

Jim Duman (S)
23 on 18th.



Dean Warwick (WP)
20 on 18th.

Peter Mowat (S)
27 on 20th.

Alex Ishchenko (EP)
19 on 20th.

Graham Melrose (SD)
34 on 20th.



Allen Daniels (C)
24 on 21st.

Chris Allen (EP)
24 on 21st.

Greg Wilkinson (S)
22 on 23rd.



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SUBIACO, W, W, L v Claremont at Claremont
PERTH, L, L, L v East Perth at Lathlain
WEST PERTH, W, L, W v Swan Districts at Subiaco
EAST PERTH, L, L, L v Perth at Lathlain
CLAREMONT, W, W, W v Subiaco at Claremont
SWAN DISTRICTS, L, W, W v West Perth at Subiaco

SUNDAY, APRIL 17, ROUND 3

SOUTH FREMANTLE, W, W, W v East Fremantle at Fremantle Oval
EAST FREMANTLE, L, L, L v South Fremantle at Fremantle Oval



**FOOTBALLER OF
THE YEAR**

S. Malaxos (C) 8
L. Fong (WP) 6
B. Vigona (SF) 4



**GOALKICKER OF
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K. Marshall (S) 17
W. Ralph (C) 15
C. Stasinowsky (SF) 15
C. Waterson (EF) 13
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Women make their mark

...Football no longer a male domain

WOMEN may never play league football — but they are now involved heavily in the promotion of the game.

Two attractive women have recently been appointed to the sensitive Marketing area — one with East Perth — the other at West Perth — and each female is throwing herself into the job determined to update and improve the image of both clubs.

Liz Butcher, 24, was destined for a career in marketing from the age of 10 when she sold grapes to Italian wine producers from her family's property at Herne Hill — and the remainder to passing motorists from a roadside stall.

Liz's feminine and poised outward appearance shelters an iron will. She has about 10 different projects on the go already at East Perth and is determined to follow them through to their conclusion.

Her road to the Royals follows a variety of clerical and public relations jobs, including starting her own firm, Elizabeth Butcher Promotions.

The clerical work at the W.A. Museum lasted 2½ years until she moved on to the State Government Information Centre because "I couldn't see myself delivering mail and filing letters for the rest of my life".

DEVELOPMENT

Liz regards her stint with the Information Centre as an important part of her development. Every enquiry had to be answered and nobody could be turned away before receiving a satisfactory reply.

"I really learnt how to deal with the public in that job", she says. In public relations, Liz regards her greatest achievement as helping organise last year's Salvation Army Tattoo at the Entertainment Centre.

She managed to fill the 8,000 capacity venue at \$6 a head.

The America's Cup Challenge and Life Be In It are other projects with which she has played a vital role. She even prepared a project on controversial figure Christo Moll for Lloyd's of London.

East Perth is already changing under Liz's guidance.

Decor wise, curtains have been replaced, pot plants have been ordered, old signs have either been replaced or repainted. Membership is also being overhauled with a new brochure on the way.

Says Liz: "Clubs have just travelled along accepting that we go on next year the same as we have last year. Football just has to wake up to itself and realise that it's competing for the leisure dollar".

NEW LOGO?

One of her more controversial aims is to eventually change the East Perth logo, a crown. "We're called the Royals, but what have we got to do with Royalty? I don't see a crown being easily identifiable with our club".

However, Liz readily admits that change would be opposed in some quarters, and is probably a long way off.

One alteration that's much closer is a more sophisticated restaurant.

"I want it to be more like a real restaurant, rather than a department store cafeteria, even though there's no need for a dramatic increase in prices".

And Liz would like to see more equality of the sexes at East Perth.

"For example", she says, "it's ludicrous that we have a beautifully equipped gymnasium just outside my office, but only males can use it".

And is Liz married? "No, but I'm working on it", she says frankly. Front runner is Evan Collis, a fireman by trade and a former competitive cyclist.

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Liz Butcher (left) and Bernice Atlee.

Bernice no stranger

WEST Perth's petite Bernice Atlee is no stranger to competitive football.

She lined up in last year's annual parents versus children Attadale Junior Football Club match.

"I took a good mark", she recalls, "but received a nasty injury in the form of a broken fingernail."

"Also I kicked the ball well to my team-mates, but all the men kept kicking it back the other way. Talk about cheats! The worst offender was Colin Lofts who kept kicking the ball to the kids all the time". (Colin, of course, was one of Perth's most illustrious footballers).

That probably sums up Bernice. Full steam ahead, and a huge capacity for work. She looks as though she is in her 20's, but readily admits to 37, and is fiercely proud of her four children: Matthew 15, Paul 13, Katrina 12 and Christopher 10.

"The only trouble", she says: "Is that they follow East Fremantle, and even though I keep bribing them with West Perth souvenirs they won't change".

Bernice doesn't have to work (husband Robert runs the George Hotel, the Underground and the Rhodes Motor-Hotel) but she couldn't stand having nothing to do when the children were at school.

"I left work for a while to spend more time with them, but in fact, they're rather proud of what I'm doing".

And they have plenty to be proud about. Her introduction to the charity work

which preceded Bernice's move to Falcon land came about under unusual circumstances.

A few years ago in Sydney, a friend who was dying of cancer entered her in the Mrs Australia Quest, or as it was then known, the Lovely Motherhood Quest.

"I hated quests" she says "so I wanted to withdraw when I found out. But he became so upset I decided to go ahead with it".

Not surprisingly, Bernice won the quest and \$25,000 in prizes.

She donated most of the prizes to charity and then worked for a year unpaid for the charity that had organised the quest.

Then, despite being a trained nurse Bernice continued with charity work in Sydney and then in W.A., when the Atlee family moved here in 1979.

FACILITIES

Sponsorship, membership, and utilisation of club facilities are high on the agenda of her immediate aims.

"The sponsorship set-up has been inadequate as far as I'm concerned", she says. "I'm now working on a more professional package to present to sponsors for next year."

Bernice is annoyed that more use is not made of club premises.

She wants more attractions to encourage members to patronise the club.

A good start has been to book the Appealathon Road Show this week and in the future she hopes a number of clubs will combine with West Perth to either bring well known Australian and international acts to Perth, or at least retain them for an extra week to perform in the clubs when they come here for other engagements.

On membership, Bernice says "We are putting together a package that will provide members with more than they are now getting. I'd love to tell you exactly what's happening, but that would let the cat out of the bag".

One change in the wind is the elite "Gold Membership" deal. Currently there are 34 gold pass holders who pay \$600 a year for special privileges, and there's a queue wanting to get into the act.

AEROBICS

Also under way are plans for aerobics and gym classes for both male and female members because Bernice also believes in equality of the sexes in football.

It's interesting to compare the reaction of both Liz and Bernice on just how far women could rise in the administrative structure of football clubs.

For example, could a woman ever become a club president? "Yes", says Liz, "but such a day is a long way off. Personally I'd just like to become a successful marketing manager".

"No way", says Bernice, "that's definitely a man's domain. In fact I don't think a woman would even become a football club general manager".

Time will tell.



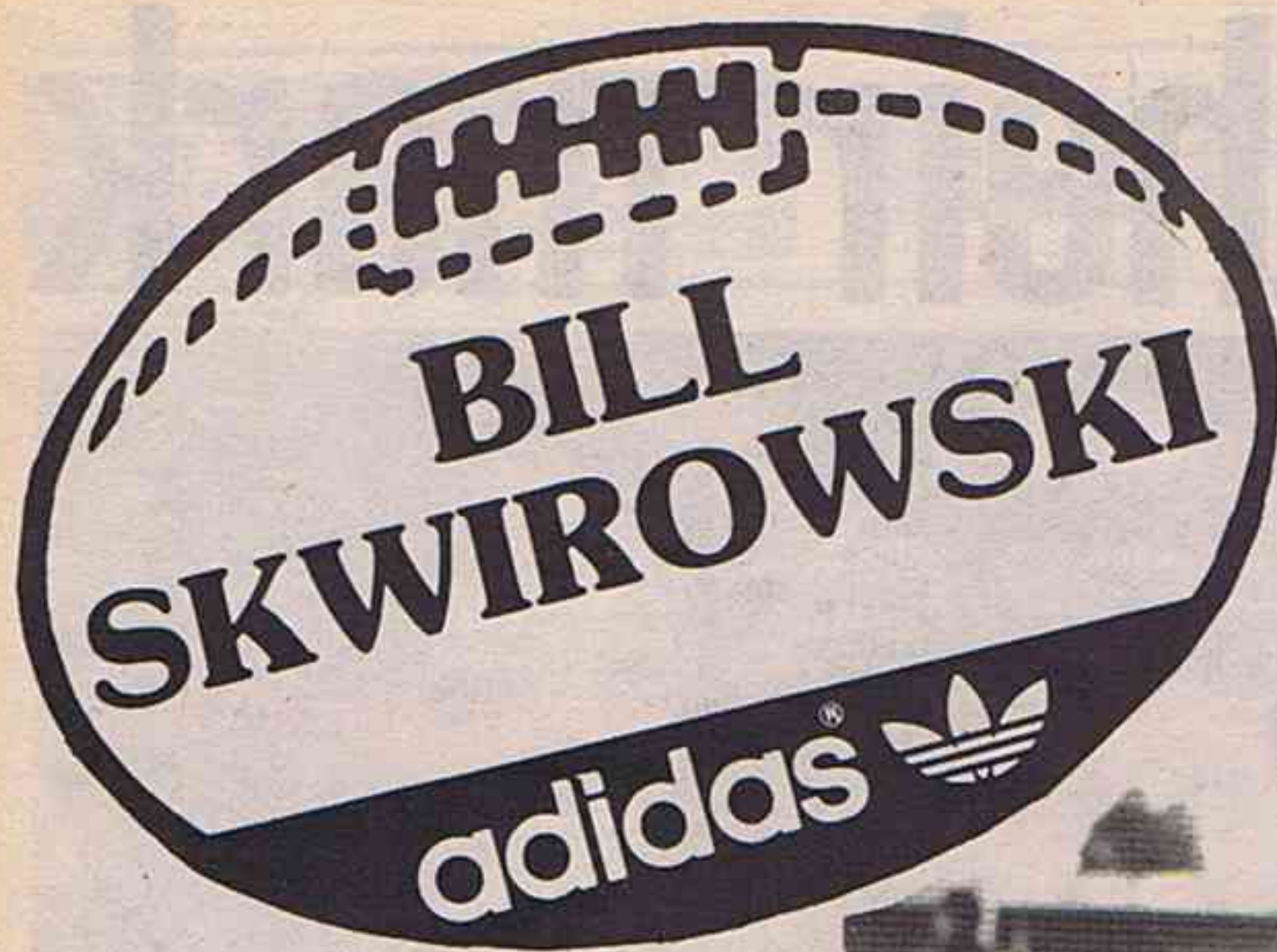
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DURING the last nine seasons Bill Skwirowski has been one of the real battlers of league football in WA.

His whole approach to the game is the perfect example for any youngster to follow.

He loves being a part of a team. He loves the success which that can bring. But most of all he loves the game.

He admits to never being a star at Swan Districts, but considers himself an honest contributor who has had to struggle every inch of the way to become a regular league player at Bassendean Oval.

However, he must surely be established now. During the last two seasons he has been an outstanding player for his side and in last year's final round, which ended in a premiership, Skwirowski was one of the most consistent players.

He rose to prominence as a player with an outstanding mental approach to the game with some fine efforts against Claremont's ace rover Jim Krakouer.

Until then he had been unobtrusively marching his way to a 100-game career. But when he was given the task of watching the elusive Tigers rover, people began to sit up and take notice of the man wearing the number 13 guernsey for Swan Districts.

Skwirowski is one of the real assets in football today and in this interview Gary Stocks found out more about the way he approaches the game, how he felt playing on Krakouer and how he felt about playing in last year's premiership side.



Bill Skwirowski limbers up at Bassendean Oval.



A. Yes, but the hardest guy to play against was Ed Blackaby when I played on him in a practice match. Ed works on the theory that no rover gets a rest and in that game he ran and ran. He did not run just for the sake of running, but he took off when he thought he had a fair chance of winning the ball.

Q. Who had an influence on your career in the early stages?

A. My first league coach in Collie was David Palmer and he gave me my first opportunity to play top level football, so he would figure highly in the early development. And then when I came to Swan Jack Ensor was in charge. Stuart Magee took over in 1976 and when he left the John Todd reign began.

Q. Have injuries been a problem for you during your career?

A. In my second season I did a knee and I am still having trouble with it now, after doing ligament damage. The good thing about being injured is that you have to sit back on the sidelines and watch and then you realise just how much you miss the game. I used to go to the beach after a game when I had been watching and just stroll through the water because I wanted to be a part of the action so badly and missed it so much.

Q. Was it a difficult decision to make to come to Perth from the country, to a football club where you knew few people?

A. It is hard with your family down there; you leave a job and basically all your security as well. It was a difficult decision because I didn't know anyone up here and had to start in a new job. I worked as a mechanic and was lucky enough to get my apprenticeship transferred to Perth. In Collie I could do a job in five hours which should only take three, but up here everything has to be done on a time basis. Time is of the essence and everything moves so much quicker. I suppose these are hardships you have to go through if you are going to play league football and it wasn't easy.

Q. It must be difficult to come into a league club like this because you walk into the rooms for the first time and you know the established guys are thinking, "here's another young bloke coming to try to take my spot from me."

A. At first I found it hard at training to get a kick and you have to get to know the names so you can demand a ball. What happens is that you are really lucky because there are always two or three blokes who are willing to help you. Steve Gillespie, who is now my brother-in-law, after I married his sister and Brian Close were here at the time and they helped me to settle in. They made it just that little bit easier for me. Once the older players know that you are going to stay here and be a part of it, then they accept you.

Q. How did you feel on grand final day last year?

A. Excellent. My attitude to the game was that I did not think Claremont could ever win, it was just the way I felt. I thought we had been beaten in 1980 and had a taste of it — what it was like to be out there and lose. I think that was really in the back of the minds of every player who took the field. And now we have achieved something that players who have passed through the club in the last 19 years could not — a premiership. That makes me really proud because no one can take that away from me.

Q. How hard was it to break into league football?

A. When I came up to Perth from Collie I did not like the city life and I gave myself two seasons in which to play league football. I played the first pre-season practice match in 1975 in the reserves and when I picked up the paper the following week my name was in the league list to play on a wing. I couldn't believe it I thought it must have been a mistake. It was in the last practice game before the season and I played on Mark Stewart, who was a good wingman for East Perth. I held my place for the opening game of the season and went on to play the first 10 league games before injuring a groin. I was really pleased to break into league football straight from the country because there are not too many players who can say they did that.

Q. How much time and effort is required to play league football?

A. Well I am virtually involved with the game seven days a week. We train three nights a week and then again on Sunday morning and even on the off nights I like to have a football in my hands. I either come down to the club and have a kick or do a weight programme. And when I stop being involved and wanting to do it seven days a week I think it will be time for me to give the game away.

Q. When you started to play league football on a regular basis did you set out with set ambitions?

A. Yes. At Swan Districts when you play 100 games in a particular guernsey you get your name on a locker and that was one of my early goals. I started wearing number 15 but that already had two names on it so I looked around for another number which was regularly worn, but did not have a name on the locker. I chose number 13 and now my name is on the locker. I think that now I would like to play 200 games with the club and I can do that if I can remain relatively injury free. I don't drink or smoke so I reckon I can play until I am 32 or 33.

Q. Did you play most of your football with Mines Rovers in Collie as a wingman?

A. No, not really. I played mainly in the centre, centre half back or centre half forward. You can make your own game in the centre by being creative. But I also believe that no matter where you play you can be creative. The only difference in playing in a back pocket is that you have to wait to be creative.

Q. In recent times you have cemented a place for yourself in the senior side. Is there any particular reason for that?

A. I enjoyed playing in the back pocket or half back flank and I have been able to settle down in that spot. But having played in those other positions is pretty handy because flexibility is the key to success these days. I think that once you have played in the backline you become a better player. Let's face it if you are playing in the back pocket your opponent is a league footballer and no matter how well you play he is going to get kicks and it is absolutely crucial that you keep those to a minimum.

Q. It was probably when you were given the job of looking after Jim Krakouer that you came into prominence and established yourself in the Swans side?

A. I consider myself fortunate in that I was given the task of tagging Jimmy. Firstly, if you cannot get yourself psyched up and mentally prepared for a match against the number one rover in the State, nothing will get you anxious to play well. You know you have to play well. On top of that when you are given the task of following players like Jimmy you know they are going to take you to the ball because they are such good players. Therefore I knew I was going to get to the ball and my next task was to beat him in the man-to-man duels. I didn't think I should be negative in my approach by saying that if he doesn't get a kick then I have done my job. I was in a role where I would normally pick up my possessions and I thought I could not rob the team of that.

Q. Would Jimmy Krakouer be one of the hardest opponents you have come up against?

adidas PLAYER PROFILE

Name: Bill Skwirowski
 Born: Collie, 20.2.56
 Height: 5'11" (181cm)
 Weight: 11.11 (73kg)
 Lives at: Bassendean
 Occupation: Sales Rep.
 Football honours: Best first year player at Swan Districts in 1975.
 Favourite food: Any sea food, particularly marron.
 Favourite drink: Sarsaparilla and I have a definite weakness for coke.
 Hobbies and relaxation: Fishing, gardening and spending time with my wife and two boys. I also enjoy tinkering with motor bikes.
 Wife's name: Debbie
 Children's names: Robert and Brett.
 Football likes: I enjoy almost every aspect of the game and the comradeship you develop between other players at the club.
 Football dislikes: I dislike people judging me who are not qualified to do so. I don't mind constructive criticism.
 Football idols: Alex Jesaulenko.
 Hard things in football: The hardest thing I have found in football has been to maintain a place in the side.
 Ambitions: I would dearly love to play for the State and it would be great to play in another premiership with Swans.
 League debut: 1975.
 Guernsey number: 13.
 Games: 120.

OUR EXPERTS SELECT:

	Tally	Swans v West Perth	Claremont v Subiaco	Perth v East Perth	S. Fremantle v E. Fremantle
GARY STOCKS	9	Swans	Claremont	East Perth	South Fremantle
ALAN EAST	8	West Perth	Claremont	East Perth	South Fremantle
PETER POAT	9	West Perth	Claremont	East Perth	South Fremantle
DAVE CLEMENT	8	Swans	Claremont	East Perth	South Fremantle
MOTHER BROWN	11	Swans	Claremont	East Perth	South Fremantle
GARY CARVOLTH	8	Swans	Claremont	East Perth	South Fremantle
BOB CRIBB	12	Swans	Claremont	East Perth	South Fremantle
GRANT DORRINGTON	11	Swans	Claremont	Perth	South Fremantle
ROBERT BENNETT	10	West Perth	Claremont	East Perth	South Fremantle
IAN MILLER	7	Swans	Claremont	Perth	South Fremantle
MOST FAVOURED	10	Swans	Claremont	East Perth	South Fremantle

Chance for the Royals

EAST Perth have the opportunity to open their winning account for the 1983 season this week after three tough weeks of football.

But after Saturday's round of fixtures two teams — East Fremantle and Perth — will still be win-less.

East Perth play Perth at Lathlain Park and the Demons will not even be able to please their home crowd.

Some pundits have already ruled East Perth out of final four calculations and this is a dangerous practice. The Royals have not missed a finals berth since 1974 and will do everything within their power to make sure that their run does not end in 1983.

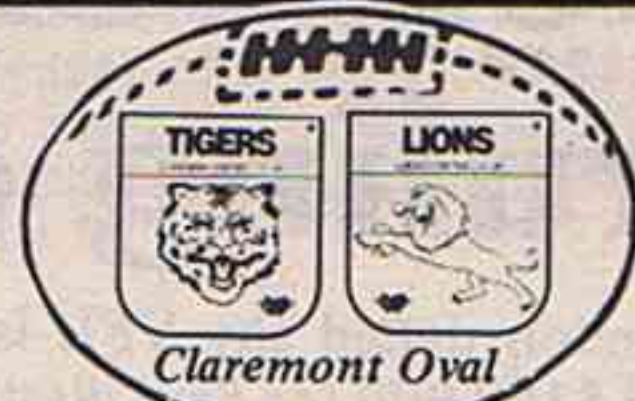
The Royals have had a tough opening to the season and because of their easy run home, they can still find a place in the four at the end of the first round.

All it means is that they cannot afford to lose games like the one against Perth this week — and they must beat South Fremantle the following week.

East Perth have the best ruckmen in league football through John Ironmonger and Craig Edwards and all they need is for their rovers to make better use of their opportunities to completely outplay the Demons, who are going through a testing period.

Perth simply do not have the talent to match it with a side of East Perth's class and they will record their fourth successive loss.

Through no fault of Ian Miller's the Demons have been far from impressive and they desperately need a few class players.



WHILE Perth will continue on their losing way, CLAREMONT will maintain their great start to the season when they beat Subiaco at Claremont Oval.

The Tigers were again impressive against East Perth last week and there is no way known that Subiaco could beat the leading side in the competition.

However, the Lions have a habit of making things difficult for Claremont. It should be remembered that in 1981, the only team they lost to in the first round was Subiaco.

The Lions had won two games straight until they met their match against South Fremantle last Saturday and Peter Daniel will be keen for them to rebound against the top side in WA.

But Claremont's strong band of runners, led by Wayne Blackwell, Allen Daniels, Steve Malaxos and Stephen Goulding is far more classy than their Subiaco counterparts and the potent Claremont forward line should kick a winning score through sheer weight of opportunities.

Subiaco need to put up a stronger performance than they did against South Fremantle last Saturday and coach Daniel will insist on his players putting up some resistance.



Benny Vigona shoots out a handpass



SWAN DISTRICTS should continue on their match winning way when they come up against West Perth in what promises to be a tough match.

West Perth showed in matches against East Perth and South Fremantle that they had enough ability to be a top side. But this week's match will provide their biggest challenge to date.

However, Swans should prove too strong all round. They have a top class forward line headed by Ken Marshall and well supported by Don Holmes.

They also have top class mid-fielders like Don Langsford, who is having an outstanding season, Phil Narkle, Keith Narkle, Leon Baker, Brad Shine and Tony Solin.

West Perth have problems in attack — a problem which will become more evident against Swan Districts' tight checking defence than against any other side in the competition.



ON SUNDAY East Fremantle face the daunting prospect of tackling traditional rivals South Fremantle at Fremantle Oval.

The Bulldogs showed in the match against Subiaco last week that they could crush a side and while a Fremantle derby can never be considered a formality, South must lay claims to a win at this stage.

The Sharks are going through a horror stretch at the moment and while they desperately need a victory they may need to wait another week.

South have far too much ability all around the ground and it promises to be another disappointing Saturday for Ron Alexander.

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IAN MILLER

GREAT IDEA

Fellow columnist Grant Dorrington last week discussed possible player swaps and clubs getting together for a summit on clearances before June 30 so as to strengthen the lower clubs. The idea is excellent, especially seeing as though transfer fees are not involved — allowing a club to lease players for the balance of a season. In this way, the cost is reduced. In Perth's current situation we are prepared to look at leasing players, but could not buy players outright. It takes time, money, planning and a lot of work for clubs to develop a strong depth of players; therefore they should not be expected to give players away. But we are looking at small numbers (one or two) from these top sides. The end result would be a more even competition, the players would receive greater opportunities to play league, the top clubs receive lease payments and the player can return to his original club the next year if he wishes.

Broken toes

THERE are many and varied injuries footballers receive, but it is frustrating for a coach when these injuries occur away from the football field. Within the space of four weeks Perth has seen two broken toes — firstly Mick Rea in an accident at work and then Kevin Worthington, while running on the beach. Kevin's experience will be missed in defence, while Mick has not yet regained the form he showed last season in front of goals — mainly because of the enforced late start.

Master side

EVERY coach and club would like to be able to have a full complement of players available and place its master team on the field each week — or maybe just for one week. This very rarely occurs, because of injuries. But it is always a coach's goal. Therefore it is annoying that some people continually make reference to how a club or clubs would perform with their full contingent of players. A Team is only as good as the 20 players each week. You cannot afford to be concerned with the injured brigade because they are not on the field.

Double clash

THIS Saturday at Lathlain Park will see the off-field battle of four former Perth players in the East Perth — Perth clash. The combination of Mal Atwell and Greg Brehaut take on the home side of George Spalding and myself. As both sides have yet to chalk up a victory for 1983, the stakes will be high and the game should be typical of East Perth — Perth matches.

VENTILATION

OVER the past 15 months West Perth have laid claim to being the trend-setters in the WAFL. But they have either slipped up or they are trying to send opposition teams to sleep in the visitors' change rooms at Leederville Oval. A recent renovation, the addition of a brick wall, has cut off the ventilation in the changerooms.

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SIDEBOTTOM ROARS BACK

Former Swan Districts star Garry Sidebottom looms as the key to Fitzroy's chances of winning their first premiership in 40 years.

Sidebottom has had a chequered VFL career since moving from WA to St Kilda in 1978. After a sensational first season with the Saints he struggled for a regular league game and moved to Geelong in 1981.

And then it looked like his playing days were over when he was sacked by the Cats

in June last year. But Fitzroy were prepared to take a gamble on the high marking Sidebottom and it seems the move is beginning to pay dividends.

In a best-on-ground performance last Saturday, Sidebottom took the aggressive tactics of Essendon's tough man Ron Andrews in his stride and kicked three goals in the final term to give the Lions victory.

Big Garry finished with five goals for the match and was the major contributor in his side's 41-point win over the Bombers.

Certainly coach Robert Walls could not be happier with his performance and he says that Sidebottom has contributed in every sense of the word since joining the Lions.

Fitzroy have played in the finals only six times in the last 40 years and the last time they played in a grand final was in 1944. In their best season since — 1960 — they finished equal top but were bundled out when they lost two finals games.

In recent times the Lions have lost their first semi-final twice — in 1979 and again in 1981.

TOP PLAYERS INJURED

The first wet Saturday in the VFL caused a few problems for players as well as three coaches.

Two captains, Trevor Barker (St Kilda) and Fitzroy's Gary Wilson were carried from the arena with injuries. Barker received suspected broken ribs while Wilson left the field with a serious knee injury.

In addition to that, Carlton's brilliant wingman David Glascott was carried from the ground on a stretcher after he had taken a heavy knock.

Following Richmond's third loss of the season coach Francis Bourke is rumoured to be in serious trouble of losing his job.

Kevin Sheedy is another coach with serious problems.

He has called an urgent players meeting this week in an attempt to solve the problems. The Bombers were well beaten by Fitzroy on Saturday and he needs a win this week to get the club's directors off his back.

Ron Barassi's expensive Melbourne line-up, also well beaten by a new look Footscray, will need to lift their rating. Melbourne outlayed a lot of money and they do not want to see their side languishing outside the five.

And then there is Tony Jewell who had to sit back and watch as St Kilda were thrashed mercilessly by Hawthorn. There could be some big changes within the next couple of weeks.

IN BRIEF...

Krakouers crack it

The Krakouer brothers showed signs of improvement when they helped North Melbourne crush the Sydney Swans at the SCG last Sunday. Phil Krakouer continued his fine form while Jim, who played reserves two weeks ago, showed flashes of the type of football he produced last season.

Bosustow in touch

Mercurial Carlton forward Peter Bosustow went on show for the first time this season in Saturday's all-important clash against Collingwood and he was brilliant. He kicked six goals and set the blues up for a great win against their traditional rivals.

Kink back

Collingwood's Incredible Hulk, Rene Kink is back in the good books at the club. After being dropped to the reserves for last week's game against Carlton, he played superbly at centre-half-forward and coach John Cahill said he was pleased with the way he tackled the task.

Catoggio a Swan

Former Subiaco rover Vin Catoggio has joined his third VFL club.

Catoggio, who started his VFL career with Carlton, had been struggling to win a regular place in Ron Barassi's Melbourne side before joining Sydney Swans last week.

He is the latest addition to the Swans, who, despite drastic financial worries, are in the market for players to boost their ranks.

Another player believed to be in their sights is former North Melbourne, Swan Districts and Richmond defender Darryl Sutton.

Swans general manager Barry Rogers said this week that the club was looking at a number of other players but denied that the Swans were negotiating with Sutton.

He said that the signing of Catoggio was a major coup. "He is the sort of flashy player we need in our forward line to bag a good swag of goals each week".

Bombers defy VFL ruling on Weston

Essendon defied the VFL last week when it paid South Australian club Glenelg \$120,000 for Paul Weston.

The VFL had ordered The Bombers to hold the money in retaliation for the SANFL issuing Malcolm Blight a permit to play with Woodville.

The SANFL claims it acted within NFL rules, but the VFL said it was correct in its handling of Blight's clearance refusal papers.

Essendon general manager Mr Cupuano said the Weston clearance wrangle had gone on far too long and his club no longer wanted to be involved in any delays. He said Essendon was never a party to the VFL's order to stop paying Glenelg the transfer fee it was entitled to.

Bet at the footy

FOOTBALL grounds in South Australia may soon get TAB vending machines to allow patrons to bet on races at football matches.

A new machine known as "Easibet" has been developed and is presently being installed in South Australian hotels and shopping centres. The machine allows punters to bet on races and re-invest winnings.

SANFL general manager Don Roach said this week that he didn't expect any objections from the league.

"But in the long term we would have to be satisfied that football patrons want an in-ground TAB service", he said.

Campbell's worry

FORMER West Perth coach, Graham Campbell, is having his problems with his new club, Glenelg.

With two straight losses the Tigers badly need a win and this weekend face



league leaders, West Adelaide in another tough encounter.

Glenelg have been hit badly with injuries and this has further restricted Campbell's chances of bringing up his first South Australian win.

Mead retires

SOUTH Australia's most experienced umpire, Peter Mead has retired after 265 league games. He umpired six grand finals and won the Golden Whistle Award for SA's top field umpire in 1975, '77 and '79. Before turning to umpiring, Mead played 54 league games with Port Adelaide as a half-forward and was a member of the Magpies 1965 premiership team.

Govt. amends the act

THE South Australian Government has amended the SA Workers' Compensation Act and under the revised provisions SANFL clubs are expected to make savings of up to \$200,000.

Bradley on tour

PORT Adelaide fairest and best winner Craig Bradley has been chosen as vice-captain of Australia's under 19 cricket team which will tour England this winter. He is expected to miss half the SA football season.



WA PLAYER ROUND-UP

Former West Australian footballers were again prominent in VFL matches in Melbourne and Sydney last weekend.

Here is our weekly summary of their performances.

NORTH MELBOURNE

Phil Kelly	23	13	21
Phil Krakouer	14	7	18
Ross Gleninning	13	5	12
Jim Krakouer	13	1	9
Steve McCann	12	10	10

COLLINGWOOD

Mike Richardson (best on ground)	14	3	9
Gary Shaw	14	5	7
John Annear	10	6	3

CARLTON

Ken Hunter	15	7	4
Peter Bosustow (best on ground)	18	13	10

GEELONG

Garry Malarkey (best on ground)	15	4	2
Brian Peake	9	2	2

RICHMOND

Robert Wiley	19	3	1
Maurice Rioli	10	3	6
David Palm	7	1	9
Brian Taylor	10	6	5

ESSENDON

Tony Puhagiar	9	3	6
Wayne Otway	14	1	1

FITZROY

Garry Sidebottom (best on ground)	8	7	5
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FOOTSCRAY

Jim Sewell (3rd best)	9	2	2
Simon Beasley	8	5	1
Andrew Purser (best on ground)	14	9	10

HAWTHORN

Ken Judge	19	6	4
Gary Buckenara	15	3	4



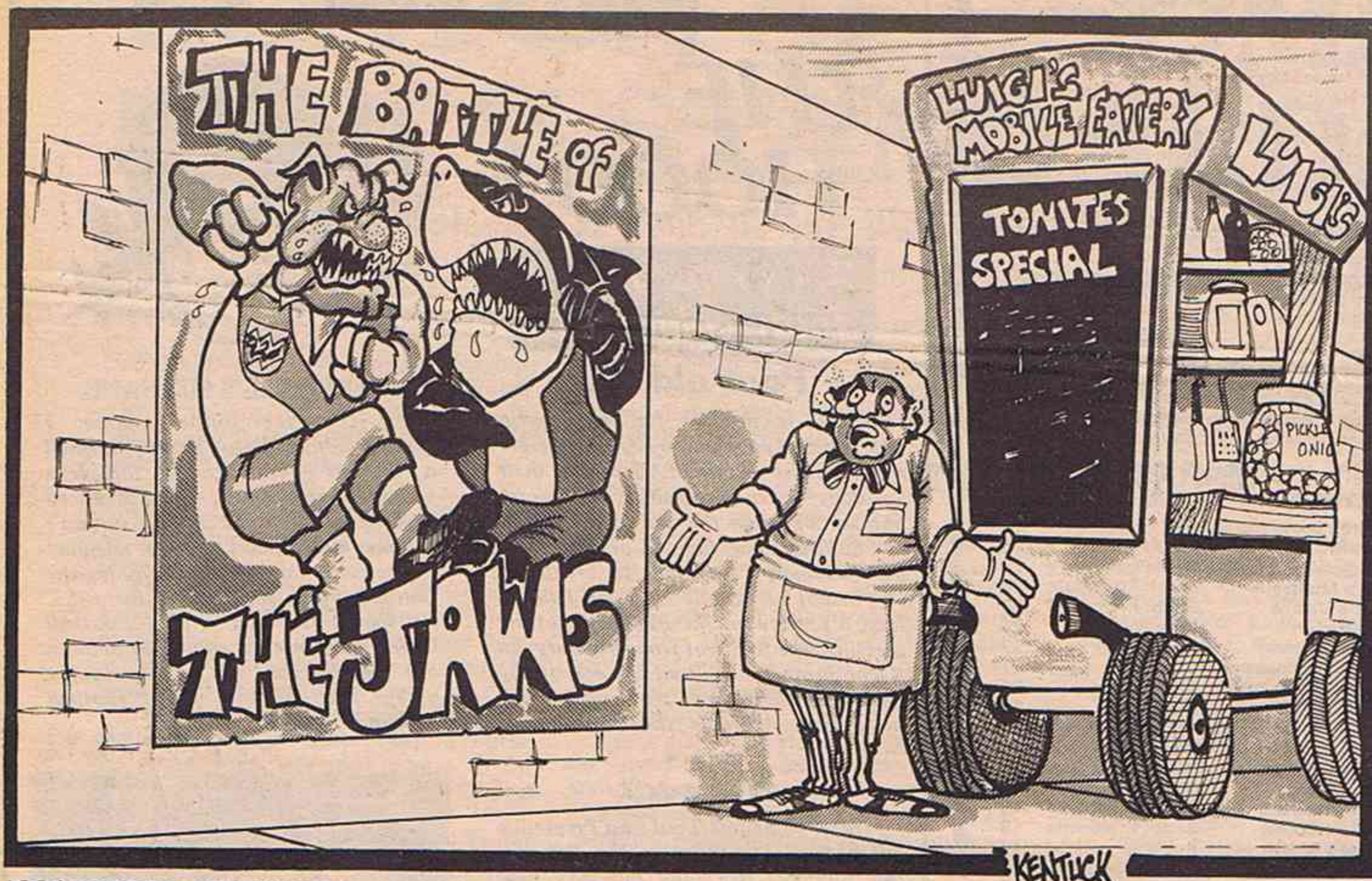
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Chubby's Chatter GREAT DEPTH

DURING the last few seasons it has been repeatedly said that Claremont have a magnificent depth of experienced talent.

However, it was interesting to note that half-back Mike Aitken was the only experienced defender in last week's victorious side.

Young Paddy Papalia came into the team for his first league game and started in the back pocket.

Michael O'Connell began the game at full-back on East Perth's leading goal kicker John Scott.

Robert Poejjes started on the interchange bench, but when he came on was given the job of minding the resting ruckmen.

Michael Dickfos played from a half back flank and the Tigerish former Queenslander put in another promising performance.

At centre half back was Colin Barns, who made his debut back in 1979, but did not get another opportunity in league ranks until last season. All players performed well - which means that last year's defender Gerald Betts, Noel Morton, Bradley Reynolds and Tom Pearce are going to have to work hard to get back in.

TOUGH TIMES

LAST Sunday highlighted just how badly Perth coach Ian Miller is going. He told the Demons players that he wanted them to take part in a fund-raising walk. The players agreed to the suggestion and Miller then told them to be at the Supreme Court Gardens at 1700 hours (5pm) on April 10 (last Sunday). However, when the players arrived there was no-one to be seen. It turned out that the walk was organised for Sunday, April 17 at 1000 hours.

FALCON FUN

THE West Perth supporters certainly had a laugh on Perth's team runner John Garnaut last Saturday. Brian Cook started doing the job at Leederville, but his knee injury, which forced him out of league football, flared up and he had to call for help. So Garnaut took over - but there, was one problem... the tracksuit trousers did not fit and his pants kept falling down!

WA TALENT

MANY Victorian pundits consider that the Hawthorn half forward line is the best in the game. And that is a tribute to West Australian football because the flankers on either side of Michael Tuck are former Subiaco stars Gary Buckenara and recently cleared East Fremantle player Ken Judge.

MR COOL

BIG Andrew Purser is rapidly building a reputation in VFL football. The former East Fremantle ruckman is now with Footscray and after some dazzling performances has been nicknamed Mr Cool because of the way he moves for a man of his stature.

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Stasinowsky joins elite team

When Chris Stasinowsky kicked 11 goals last Saturday against Subiaco, he became only the tenth South Fremantle footballer to register a double figure tally in a game.

Bulldog players have achieved this feat in thirty four other games. Bernie Naylor did it 17 times.

Stasinowsky is now in line for a rare double. Only seven league footballers have kicked a double figure goal tally in successive games. They are:

George Doig, East Fremantle (3 times) 1934, 1935, 1941. Ted Tyson, West Perth, 1937. Bernie Naylor, South Fremantle, (twice) 1952, 1954. Lindsay Holland, West Perth, 1961. Austin Robertson, Subiaco, (twice) 1968, 1971. Paul Arnold, East Perth, 1980. Warren Ralph, Claremont, 1981.

Losing scores

While on the goal kicking performances, it's hard to believe a side would be beaten when your full forward managed to kick ten goals or more, but this has happened 12 times.

The last was in 1978 when Swan Districts full forward Mark Olson kicked eleven against South Fremantle. The first time was in 1930, when, believe it or not, two forwards, George Moloney of Claremont, with 10 goals and Frank Hopkins of West Perth, with 14 goals, both played in losing sides and on the same day.

Not enough

The highest tally of goals kicked by a forward in a losing side is recorded as an incredible 17. That's the goal tally credited to West Perth's Ted Tyson when in 1938 his team lost to Swan Districts. This was the game that South Fremantle supporters claimed was 'fixed'. Swans had to win to be sure of making the first semi final the



Bernie Naylor

following week and the West Perth forward Tyson was five goals behind the South Fremantle captain coach Bert Chandler. Swans won the game by eight points and made the finals, one game ahead of South Fremantle. Tyson kicked 17 of his team's eighteen goals to finish on top of the goal-kicking list, six ahead of Chandler.

Three losses

Although I agreed with the draw for the opening fixtures it now appears to have produced a lop-sided start to 1983. Now for the second time only in league football, we find that three teams, East Perth, East Fremantle and Perth have all lost the first three games. Only once before has this happened. In 1950, Claremont, East Perth and Subiaco failed to win the first three games.

Whistle Stop



BY BARRY JOHNSON

DALBY MILESTONE

This week Robin Dalby will officiate in his 100th league match. Robin began his umpiring career as a boundary umpire and took the field 89 times in this capacity, but illness forced him out of this aspect of the game. However, he was keen to remain active in football and decided to take up goal umpiring. Saturday will see him take the flags out for the 11th time. Congratulations Robin.

Student umpire

A young 16-year-old student has had quite an impact since graduating to the league training squad this year. It has been an amazing feat for Domenic White to join the senior panel at such an early age and he has been running the boundary in the colts matches this season. He seems to have a bright future, particularly as he reads the game well and runs strongly.

Pressing claims

Another former boundary umpire turned goal umpire is Robert Davis. He ran the boundary in the reserves for quite a few years before leg trouble forced him into goal umpiring and now he cannot be too far away from a league berth. Robert (26) gained some experience at league level when he spent two years in Canberra after being transferred in his job. On top of that he was given the job of doing the Essendon-East Perth match pre-season so he must be vying for his first league game.

PROMOTION CHANCE

A young field umpire, who graduated to the league panel from the Claremont junior competition looks set for a long career in umpiring. Darrall Sinclair joined the WAFL umpires in 1981 as a boundary umpire, but has since returned to field umpiring and he has been in charge of colts matches this year. He has done remarkably well under the one umpire system and it seems only a matter of time before the 22-year-old receives a promotion.



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60 metre gem

Perth forward Doug Simms returned to his best form in the game against West Perth last week and he proved at the same time that he was still capable of producing some fine goals. One was an absolute gem. He gathered the ball between the half forward flank



and the wing, had a quick look to see where his target was and promptly put boot to ball and sent a 60 metre kick sailing right through the middle of the goals.

Good start

ROBERT Maiden's maiden goal in WA is one that he will remember for a while. The dashing little Canberra rover kicked a beauty against East Fremantle on Saturday; a snap shot from the pocket when he was under considerable pressure. Maiden looks a sure ball handler and the way he ducked around and found the big opening should produce him many more goals.

Pressure packed

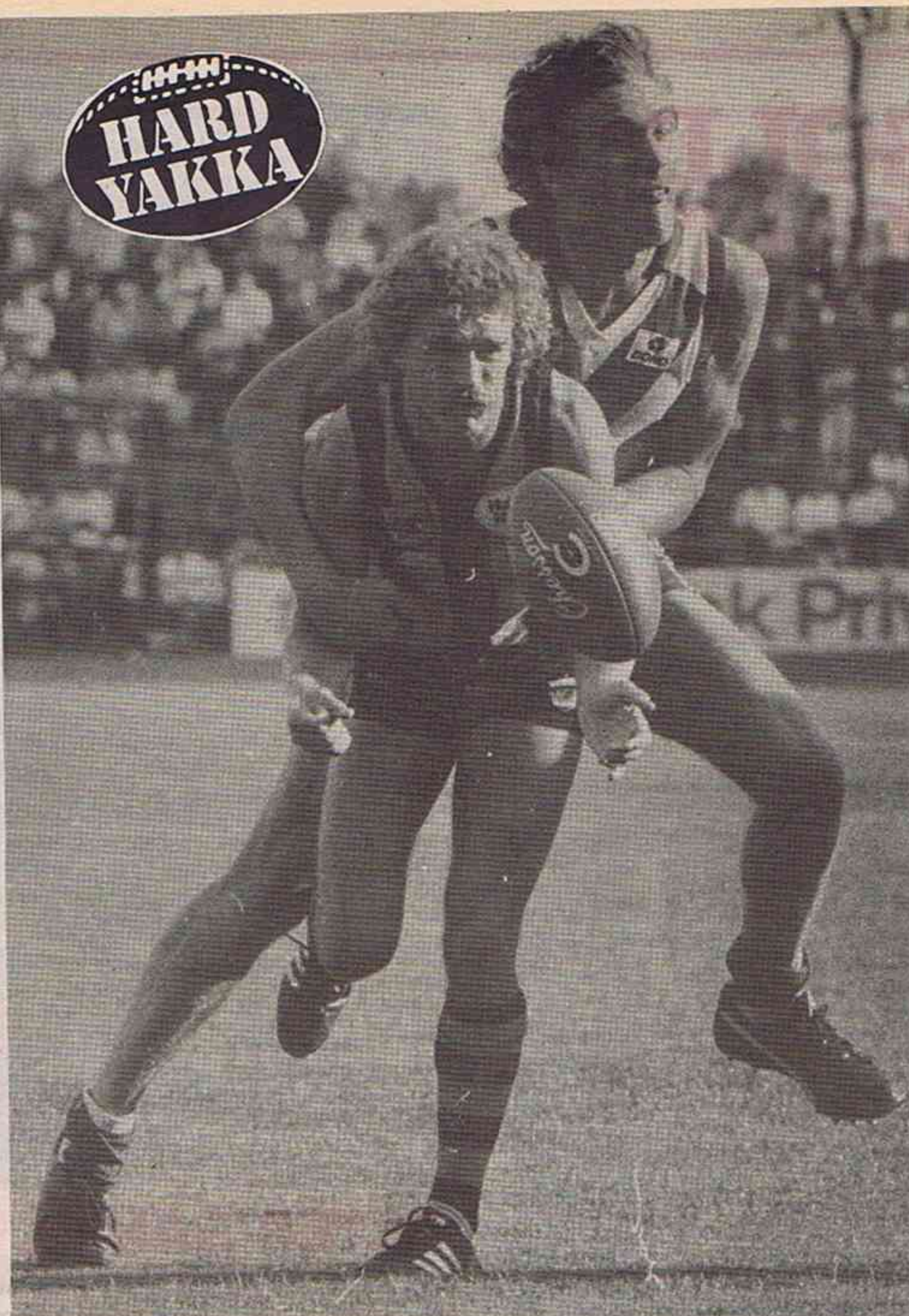
KICKING goals under pressure is the key to good teams — and Claremont have plenty of players capable of doing just that. Tigers' ruck-rover Wayne Blackwell showed how to bring up the full points despite pressure from opposing defenders when he kicked his side's fourth goal against East Perth. Blackwell was in close range to the goals, but defenders were everywhere and he had to snap quickly as he went down under a tackle. But the shot was right on line.

Mobile Moss

STILL with Claremont . . . isn't captain-coach Graham Moss having a great season around the goals? Moss kicked another four last week and the last one earned him the Town and Country \$100 goal-of-the-day on Channel 7's World of Sport. Moss won the ball in a pocket, ducked around two East Perth players and snapped truly from an acute angle. His goal right on the half-time siren was also a classic. He rebounded quickly when the ball came to ground and swivelled around to snap a good goal in the goalsquare.

Marlboro's Top Ten

KEN MARSHALL (Swans)17. 5
 WARREN RALPH (Cl'mont) . . .15. 6
 CHRIS STASINOWSKY (S. Frem.)15. 4
 COLIN WATERSON (E. Frem.) .13. 4
 GRAHAM MOSS (Cl'mont) . . .12. 3
 DON HOLMES (Swans)11.12
 ALLEN DANIELS (Cl'mont) . . .11. 7
 JOHN SCOTT (E. Perth)11. 4
 PETER SPENCER (E. Perth) . . .11. 4
 CRAIG EDWARDS (E. Perth) . .11. 3



Subiaco skipper Neil Taylor found himself on the receiving end of this strong hard yakka tackle from South Fremantle ruckman Lindsay Borthwick, resulting in a David and Goliath type battle. Although Taylor could not get a good handpass away he wins a pair of Yakka jeans or fabulous Rigs trousers for his effort.

Banish those prophets of doom

The WAFL must be thrilled to bits with those people in the media who have chosen to denounce the competition after less than a month of football.

The season has not even got warm and already prophets of doom are undoing all the good promotional work which has gone into getting football back on the popularity track in 1983.

I do not include my own suggestion on page one of Westside Football as being unjustified criticism.

I believe suggestions like that have to be given consideration.

Subiaco and East Perth are down, but not out and all is not lost for the competition.

Despite the fact that these two sides have proven that they can be competitors this season, some critics have claimed that the competition for the top four positions is as good as over.

This type of criticism is not worth the paper it is written on.

It is easy to criticise when you don't have to wear the responsibility of making the product sell.

In fact, attendance figures so far in 1983 have been satisfactory — and are up 5 per cent on last year.

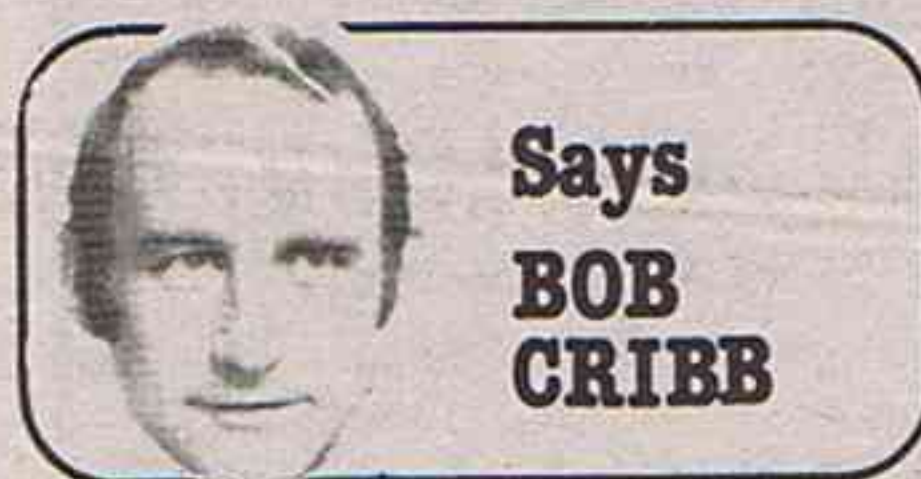
They will not continue to be so if the media choose to write the game down and find fault at every opportunity with the product.

SOUR GRAPES

Most of the criticism that I have read this week seems to stem from sour grapes — and as such should not be taken too seriously.

However, the League would be well advised to keep up the tempo of its promotional campaign in this difficult early-season period.

Many people have yet to shrug off the ties of summer sport commitments.



Says
BOB CRABB

Many people have still not renewed their club memberships.

Those same people can be lost to the game forever unless persuaded that there is something worth watching at their nearest League oval next Saturday.

Personally, I believe the league is still not making enough use of its feature event . . . its best seller.

The match of the day is the game that must be pushed and sometimes that match is not obviously apparent until after the final siren of the previous week's games.

MARKETING PUSH

The match of the day this week is obviously the West Perth-Swans game and that is the one the marketing experts should push for this week.

I asked Peter Bowler why the league had not changed that game to the Sunday televised fixture as requested by TVW7 and he said that notice had been given too late.

He also said that the WAFL was adamant that a top fixture must be played on Saturday regardless of Sunday football or direct telecasts.

The main thing is that the league is keeping a careful monitor on the situation.

It is not turning a blind eye to the every changing whims of the paid spectator. While that attitude persists, football can and will survive.



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MOTHER BROWN

POOR REQUEST

I was disappointed to hear Percy Johnson's comments to WAFL general manager Peter Bowler on the Channel 7 World of Sport show last Sunday. Percy suggested to Mr Bowler that it was the league's responsibility to finance recruiting campaigns by the lower clubs so that they could be more competitive. However, I disagree. The clubs in the competition who are near the top of the premiership table have had to work to get where they are and Percy also suggested that some of the top clubs should not recruit from clubs who are struggling. It should be remembered that Swan Districts and Claremont — two of the top teams in the WAFL — were near the bottom of the table not so long ago and they have worked hard to get to the stage they are now at. It is up to the administration of clubs like Perth, East Fremantle and Subiaco to prepare recruiting campaigns so that they can be competitive. And it is also their own fault if they allow good players to leave their ranks.

Derby disaster

I was also disappointed to hear on the news on Monday that Channel 7 would not be telecasting this Sunday's match between East Fremantle and South Fremantle. The derbies are always fine spectacles, no matter where the sides are on the ladder and it would have been a top game for them to televise. It should be remembered that when East Fremantle were struggling last year they managed to beat the Bulldogs and that loss put additional pressure on South in their quest to play in the finals.

Bright barrack

On a brighter note I would like to congratulate all the cheer squads who support the various teams in the WAFL. They work for many hours, to provide the colourful banners for the players to run through each week and it is an aspect of our game which has added something which was sadly lacking in pre-match build-ups. These people work hard and long to gather funds for the streamers and banners they display each week and it is a credit to them that they can come up each week with a new idea. Their barracking behind the goals also gives the game some added excitement. Keep up the good work.

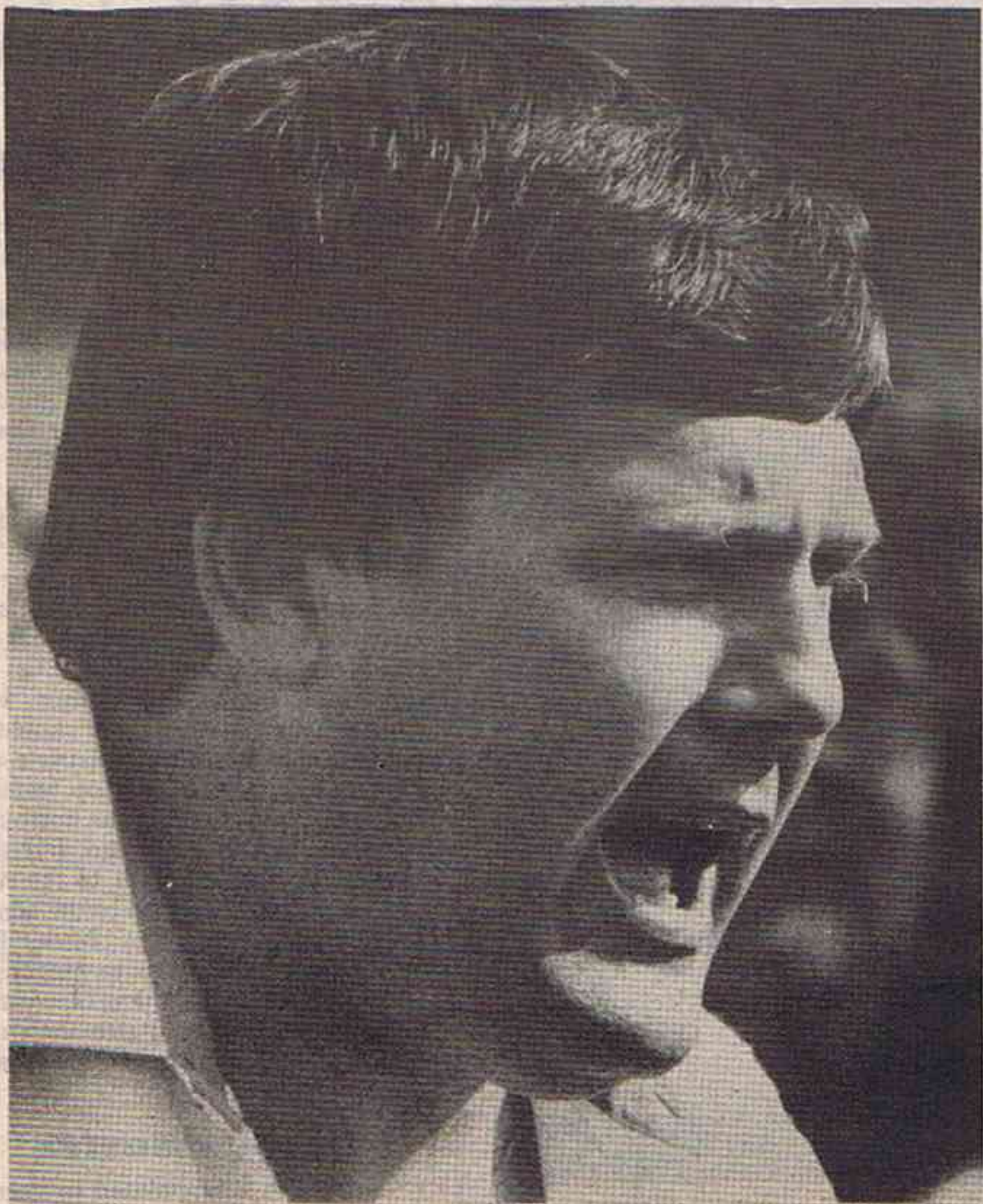
Pitter's boys

Former East Perth colts coach Eddie Pitter must be sitting back proudly at the moment. Last week about five players who came up under his coaching took the field in the league side and that must have been a great pleasure for the Teal Cup coach. Clayton van den Dungen, Angelo Del Borrello and John Garnett made their league debuts last week and were quite impressive, while Alex Ishchenko and Richard Dennis continued to play well.

Tribunal

I wonder whether something can be done to publicise the happenings of the tribunal at colts and reserves levels. Two weeks ago South Fremantle reserves player Nicky Winmar was reported and I did not find out until late in the week that he had been suspended for two matches. There are people who follow all grades of the WAFL and it would be nice if they could be kept a little better informed.

SWAN GOLD SPOTLIGHT



MAL BROWN (South Frem)

Was bitterly disappointed when the Bulldogs missed a finals berth last year and he immediately went on a recruiting campaign. They have added depth to the club and now he will be able to produce some of the magic which has seen him become the doyen of league coaches in WA. Brown is a master mind and a man who will not accept less than 100 per cent commitment from his players.



DENNIS COMETTI (W. Perth)

Could become the first media personality to coach a league team to a premiership. Cometti has quickly established himself as one of the best football brains in the game and has earned the respect of all players at Leederville Oval. He helped West Perth to climb up to third place on the premiership table last year and is looking to go one step further this season.



PETER DANIEL (Subiaco)

Accepted the toughest coaching WA football had on offer at the start of the 1983 season and he has done the job quite well. The Lions won their first two matches of the new season before predictably going down to South Fremantle last Saturday. The big test for Daniel will come this week against Claremont. Will the players respond to his coaching and fightback to at least give the Tigers a run for their money — or will they become the same old Subi everyone has seen in the last eight years?



GRAHAM MOSS (Claremont)

Has taken the Tigers to two grand finals and one premiership in the last two seasons and has them again playing a top brand of football. Has developed the running game at Claremont Oval successfully and they look likely final four contenders again. Has been helped by off-field advisor Murray Ward and the pair have formed a strong coaching relationship.



JOHN TO

Achieved the ultimate Swans to a premiership. He again rate a big chance for successful and that trend s

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RON ALEXA (East Fremantle)

A man with a mammoth task at East Fremantle but for one full capabilities. He has sacked forming at the required level and of the club to provide some wins





GREG BREHAUT (East Perth)

Has taken over a tough job at Perth Oval after the dismissal of Grant Dorrington. The Royals, through the loss of several experienced players, will now need to go through a re-building programme and rely on youth to win them a few matches. Brehaut can only hope that the club's board of directors gives him enough time to see those youngsters emerge as match winners in league football.



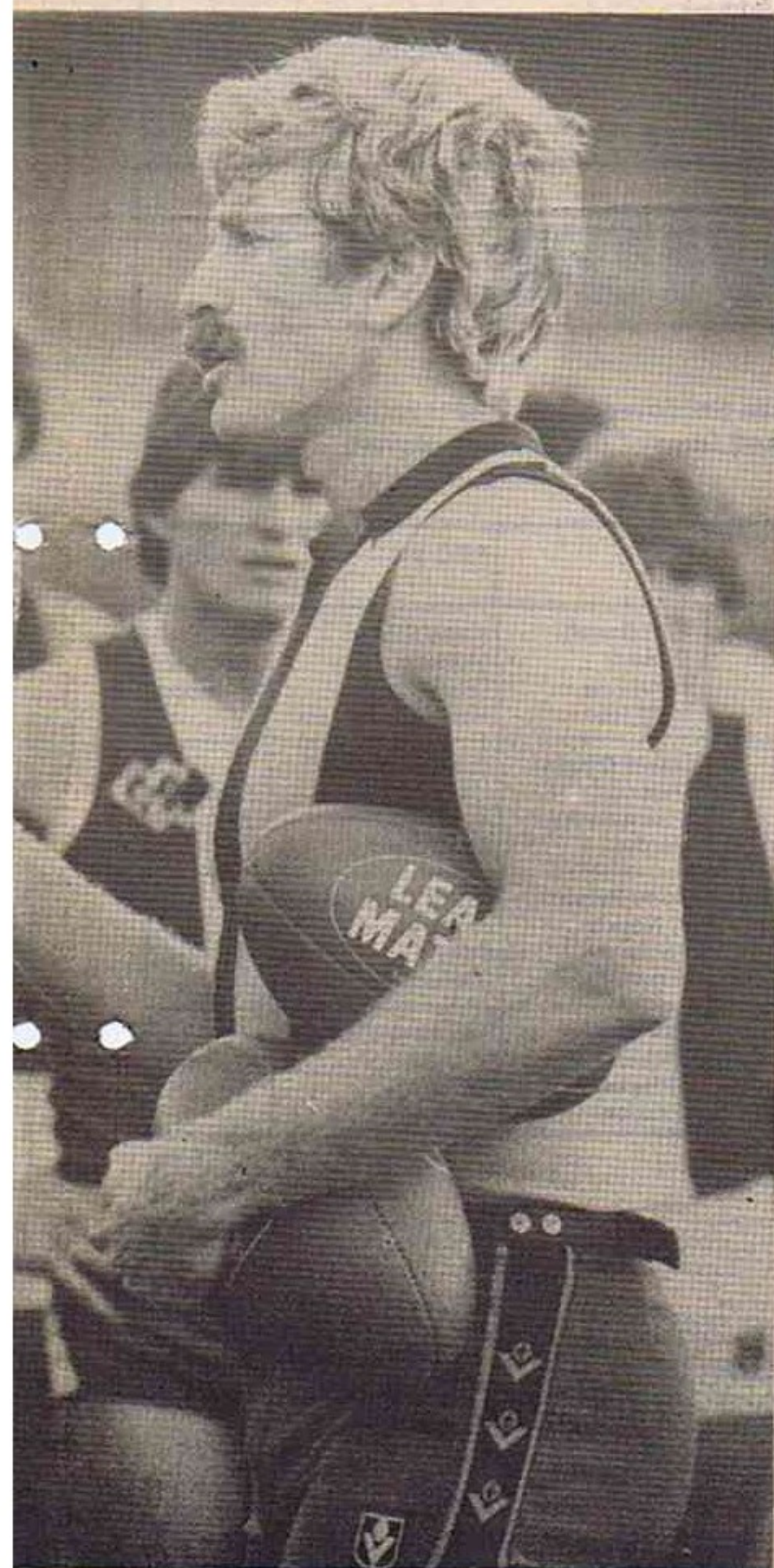
TODD (Swan Districts)

Ultimate last year when he became only the second coach in the club's history to take over the reins. His strong style of coaching has been a success at Bassendean and his side must have a good chance for honours in 1983. He has developed a pattern of football which has been a trend that seems likely to continue.

THE COACHES

ALEXANDER (Swan Districts)

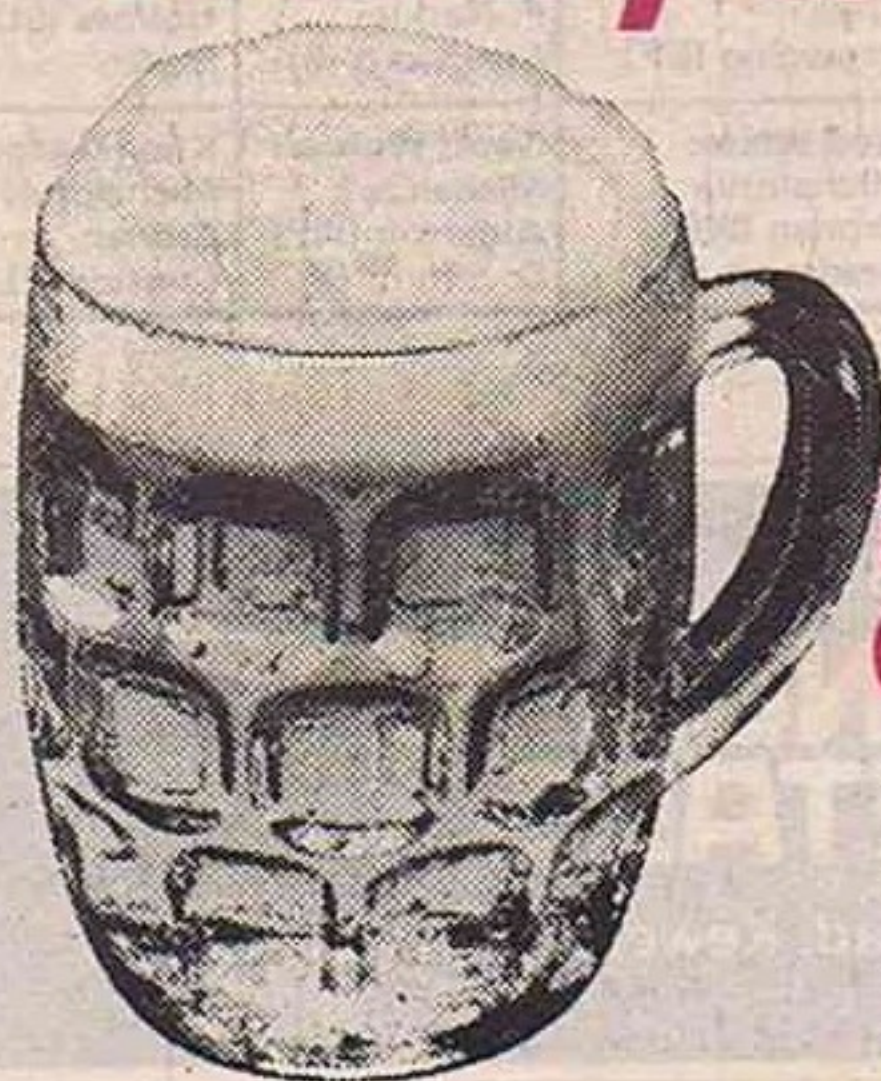
Both task. His biggest problem is that there is some talent but for one reason or another they do not produce to their potential. He has sacked the player the club considered were not per-level and now, like Brehaut, he must rely on the youth to win and help him remain at the helm.



IAN MILLER (Perth)

Another man with a gigantic task. Miller's biggest problem is the fact there the talent cupboard at Lathlain Park is almost bare. With the exception of about six players many who are getting a game each week would not be on the league lists of other clubs. The Demons need to go and spend and give Miller some support. No one will know just how good he is until he is given some players to coach.

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Swans find Marshall cure

WHAT kind of needle do Swan Districts have at Bassendean Oval?

Subiaco fans are entitled to ask that question after the remarkable transformation in form of Ken Marshall.

Marshall was initially spoken of in the same breath as Gary Buckenara, but he failed to live up to the expectations held for him at Subiaco.

In fact, he was just about ready for the league scrap heap when Swans took an interest in him.

Having swapped clubs, Marshall has become a focal point in the Swans attack to such an extent that he is not only heading the goalkicking ladder, but has become something of a match winner for the team.

Some might say that Subiaco must be regretting their decision to clear Marshall. But I doubt that he would have been doing the things with his old club that he is now achieving at Swans if he hadn't made the change.

It is not really a big needle that has brought the best out in Marshall... it is coach John Todd.

Todd made a shrewd assessment of Marshall. He compares him to former Sandover Medallist David Hollins whom Todd coached at East Fremantle.

Todd told me before this season that he was confident he could get Marshall to perform. It was merely a matter of getting him to play his game on a Saturday and not every day before the weekend.

That was the case with Hollins, he said. Both players have similar temperaments. They worry too much about Saturdays and spent too much time training.

Todd said it was a matter of getting Marshall to temper his mid-week training.

Todd has also been able to iron out what I consider to have been Marshall's biggest problem... a tendency to be too hungry.

At Subiaco when he got the ball he was reluctant to dish it out to another player. He also tended to go for the big grab, even

if it meant spoiling a team-mate. He is not doing that now.

The success of Marshall shows what a change in environment can do for a player.

BREHAUT'S PLEA

I noticed East Perth coach Greg Brehaut had a bit of a grizzle on television on Sunday about how the stronger clubs are pirating players from weaker teams.

He cited the loss of four East Perth players... Paul Arnold, and John Hayes to South Fremantle, Wayne Duke and Larry Kickett to Claremont and also Barry Kimberley to Swans.

I would hardly describe the Royals as one of the weaker clubs. Of the four players cleared this season, only one was a regular league player for the club last season - Hayes.

I think it is a good thing that players are being given the opportunity to play with other WA clubs.

Too many players are lost to league football because they are starved for opportunities at one club for a variety of reasons e.g. the club may be over endowed with a particular type of player as were Claremont in respect of full-forward Peter Avery.

I can't see why more clubs can't adopt the approach that saw a three-way deal between Swans, Claremont and Subiaco that enabled each to turnover a player.

Each club appears to have got value for money in the exchange.

Marshall has become a star at Swans, Greg Wilkinson, who went from Claremont to Subiaco, was the best player on the ground last week according to some critics, while Peter Davidson, cleared from Swans to Claremont, looks to have a big future.

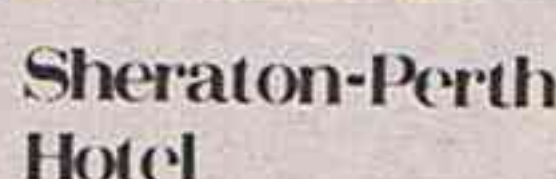
It all comes back to having someone in a club capable of spotting the ability of a player - which doesn't appear to be the case of some clubs in this State.

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April 9	West Australian	Weekend News	Sunday Times	Sunday Independent	Channel 7	6IX	6PR	6KY	6WF	ABC TV	Umpires
E. Perth v Cl'mont	Robert Wainwright: Goulding (C) Malaxos (C) Daniels (C)	Robbie Burns: Daniels Ironmonger (EP) Blackwell	Colin Hopkins: Goulding Daniels Blackwell	Gary Stocks: Goulding Malaxos Daniels	Marty McDonnell: Malaxos Goulding Moss (C)	Phil Mulcahy: Malaxos Blackwell Edwards (EP)	Alan East: Daniels Blackwell Barns (C)	Colin Hopkins: Goulding Daniels Blackwell	Eric Sarich: Daniels Goulding Malaxos	Keith Slater: Malaxos Goulding Moss	Buckey/Johnson
Subiaco v S. Frem.	Geoff Christian: Wilkinson (S) Cockie (SF) Carter (SF)	Mike Thomson: Hardie (SF) Wilkinson Stasinowsky (SF)	Ray Wilson: Hardie Cockie Wilkinson	Peter Poat: Wilkinson Carter Hardie	Ken McAullay: Wilkinson Borthwick (SF) Stasinowsky	Bill Valli: Carter Hardie Borthwick	Bob Hicks: Michael Hardie Vigona (SF)	Joe McKay: Wilkinson Cockie Stasinowsky	David Dyson: Vigona Stasinowsky Hardie	John Vukman: Hardie Vigona (SF) Stasinowsky	Morris/Salis
E. Frem. v S. Dist.	Doug Young: P. Narkle (SD) Ware (SD) Solin (SD)	Paul Simpson: P. Narkle Ware Browning (EF)	Rod Lane: Baker (SD) P. Narkle Langford (S)	Rowley Daw: P. Narkle Holmes (SD) Baker	Percy Johnson: Wilkinson Boucher (SD) P. Narkle Browning	Harvey Deegan: P. Narkle Baker Boucher	Peter van Helden: Baker P. Narkle Boucher	John O'Connell: P. Narkle Browning Boucher	Tony Parentich: P. Narkle Baker Browning	Grant Dorrington: P. Narkle Baker Browning	Ball/Phillips
W. Perth v Perth	Steve Wright: Michalczyk (WP) Alderton (WP) Fong (WP)	Rod White: Michalczyk Cronan (WP) Bradmore (WP)	Geoff Worner: Michalczyk Alderton (WP) D. Simms (P)	Kim Hagdorn: Michalczyk Cronan Cousins (P)	Bob Miller: Fong Michalczyk D. Simms	Chris Mitsopoulos: Michalczyk Alderton Fong	Oscar Howard: Michalczyk D. Simms Alderton	Joe Fanchi: Michalczyk Alderton D. Simms	Ray Lawrence: Michalczyk Alderton Cousins	Ray Lawrence: Michalczyk Alderton Cousins	Devine/Rowe

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The answer to last week's question was Brian Peake and last week's winner is Murray Armstrong of Kardinya.



STRONG REACTION TO TODD'S CLAIM

JOHN Todd's article on junior football in another newspaper last week has brought much reaction — and it's mostly negative.

The general feeling from junior football officials and followers is that a point was highlighted without any reasoning.

Todd claimed that junior football clubs were not fulfilling their required role and not producing enough league players.

He went on to say of the 160 league footballers who played in round two matches, only 57 were products of local junior clubs.

But this must be a two-way thing — both the senior and junior bodies should work together.

Bruce Douglas, the coaching co-ordinator of the Swan View Junior Football Club (the club used as an example in Todd's story) sums it up best by saying: "Of all the footballers who play juniors only two percent are destined to make it to league. We aren't running junior football for that two percent, it's for every kid who wants to play the game".

Todd also said that Swan View had never produced a league footballer after winning more premierships than any club in the Swan Districts Junior Council.

In saying that, he had overlooked brothers Wally and Garry Sidebottom who both played the majority of their junior days with the club and it is known that at least four other clubs have won more premierships than Swan View.

EASTER BRINGINGS

Fourteen-year-old Nicolas Dewar, of Gingin, will never forget his first season of football — nor will he forget his second.

Last year he joined the Gingin 15's and was good enough to win the team's fairest and best award in his first season, showing that he was a centre-half-back with outstanding potential.

He was raring to go this season with the club's 16's side in the Hills Association when he accidentally put his right hand through a window at his home.

Nicolas severed some tendons and was told after a three-hour operation he could not play football this season as it would take at least six months to regain his feeling.

ROYAL VISIT

LAURIE Kennedy, a present director and a past player of 213 games with East Perth Football Club, entertained a large group of 17's players from the South Suburban Junior Football Association with a talk lasting just over an hour at the Gosnells Oval last Sunday.

The show went off excellently for the 68 players and high praise was aimed at Kennedy for the way he delivered his message.

West Perth and Perth in drawn game

WEST Perth and Perth fought out an exciting draw in their R. and I. Little League clash last Saturday.

At the end of the big break in the main game, the two junior teams were level on 1.1 apiece.

Steven Ryan kicked West Perth's goal while Mark Atkinson was the goalscorer for Perth. Other good players were Ryan Campbell and Rolly Iellamo for the young Falcons and Troy Donaldson and Rowan Green for the Demons.

In another close contest East Perth scraped home by one point against Claremont.

Mark Jeps kicked East Perth's goal and other good players for the Royals were Travis Smailes and Jason Lazarov. John O'Rourke kicked Claremont's goal and he received good support from John Donatill and Ron Kiely.

Swan Districts scored the biggest win of the weekend when they proved too strong for Perth, scoring 3.2 to 2.0.

Chris Vickery, Brad Francis and Kim Wells kicked the goals for Swans and another good player was Jason Scott. East Fremantle's goals came from Jeremy Towner and Jason Clifton and they received good support from John Harris and Toby Johnston.

Subiaco scored 2.1 and proved too strong for South Fremantle who could manage just 1.2.



AROUND THE CLUBS

By Gary Bartholomeusz

LION CARNIVAL

THREE ovals were used for the eight grades from 9's — 17's when the Whitfords club hosted a practice match carnival against Warwick in Subiaco's Wanneroo Junior Football League last Sunday.

Throughout the day the crowds at each oval were enormous and the function proved a roaring success.

WELCOME HUNTINGDALE

THIS weekend in the South Suburban Association sees the first appearance of the Huntingdale Junior Football Club who will be fielding an 8's, 9's and 11's initially.

Their home ground will be the Huntingdale Primary School and the navy blue and whites are zoned to East Fremantle.

A welcome and best wishes goes out to all concerned with the club.

AMALGAMATION

AFTER at least a decade of existence in the South Fremantle Council the Kwinana and Calista junior clubs have amalgamated and will continue under Kwinana's title.

This has been brought about because of the cost of running a club and the lack of sufficient numbers — together they field an 8's, 10's, 12's, 14's and 16's.

MINI BONANZA

PERTH Junior Council's eight 9's sides are programmed every Sunday morning this season to play all their games on the grounds of Manning J.F.C.



THE Noranda Junior Football Club, in East Perth territory, is one of the fastest-growing in the WAFL metropolitan zone.

It was established in 1979 with just three teams and this year will field nine sides. Last season saw the club's first crop of juniors reach their 50-game milestone — and they are pictured here at the end of the season.

The half-century youngsters are: BACK (from left): Chad East, Neale Uren, Darryl Smith, Scott Pinnegar, Bret East.

CENTRE: Michael Scacchia, Craig Forward, Anthony McGuire, Greg Smith, Scott Mayer, Sean Todd.

FRONT: Matthew Windsor, Andrew Winsor, Michael Prior, Darren Stitt, Wayne Sweetman, Michael Freegard, Colin Brown.

Surprise wins

THE first round of Claremont's 17's Tiger Cup competition saw the 1982 undefeated premiers Magpies go down to new club Karinyup (originally from Subiaco) by five points.

This season the eight teams will be vying for a final five position in operation for the first time to create more interest.

Another new club, Forrestfield, admitted into the Perth Junior Council this season after a stint with Swan Districts, surprised the strong combination of Carlisle 13's when their number two side beat them 5.4 to 5.2 in the opening game.

SEASIDERS WANTED

THE North Beach J.F.C. seek players urgently for their teams ranging from 9's — 15's to compete successfully in the Claremont Junior Council.

Their 11's grade is worst depleted and president Rod Mollett (447 3909) or former Swans footballer and club vice-president, Tony Nesbit (447 3272) will love to hear from any player who could become available.

MILESTONES

150 GAMES

NOLLAMARA's Junior Football Club's Darryl Fraser (16) notched up his 150th game last Sunday when his 17's team defeated Marist Black in the West Perth J.C.

Darryl usually plays at centre-half-forward but has been tried in most positions throughout his career which has seen him win his grade's coaches trophy on two occasions.

100 GAMES

Swan Districts: Dale Payne-Bassendean 12's.

50 GAMES

West Perth: Brian Hinson — Balga 13's; Robert Pask — Balga 13's; Brian Pask — Balga 17's.

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	P	W	L	D	For	Ag	Pts
EAST PERTH	3	3	—	—	52	7	12
CLAREMONT	3	2	1	—	45	21	8
SUBIACO	3	2	1	—	28	25	6
WEST PERTH	3	1	1	1	20	27	6
Perth	3	1	1	1	43	22	4
East Fremantle	3	1	2	—	34	46	4
Swan Districts	3	1	2	—	27	56	4
South Fremantle	3	—	3	—	16	61	—

BUNTON SET SOME EARLY STANDARDS

THE 60 or so players at each of the WAFL's eight league clubs could blame Haydn Bunton junior for the vigorous pre-season routine they now go through to play league football.

When Bunton took over the coaching reins at Swan Districts he introduced pre-season training and after his success in 1961, 1962 and 1963 it became a part of West Australian football.

And it is here to stay. Up until last season Bunton stood alone as the greatest coach to bless Bassendean Oval.

Before 1982 he was the only man in history who had taken the club to a premiership. But now John Todd must challenge for top billing with the man who took Swans to their first success.

Todd is the longest serving coach in the history of the club, having been in control for seven years. He took Swans to the premiership last year, breaking an 18 year drought.

Bunton was a man dedicated to the game and believed that to play at top level, a high degree of fitness was required.

And that was the way in which he prepared his players.

He took over at Swans in 1961 after the club had finished at the bottom of the premiership table in the previous two years. There was not much hope of the side rising to prominence in his first year as coach.

However, the players responded magnificently to his methods and come September, they were a part of the finals for the first time since 1945, when they finished fourth.

Swans were easily beaten by East Perth in the second semi-final — Bunton's initial year — and their chances of winning their first pennant looked slim.

But they beat Subiaco by 16 points in the preliminary final to earn the right to challenge the Royals for the flag. East Perth were considered certainties. But the boys from Bassendean rose to the occasion and won by 24 points.

The following year Swans took an easier road to the grand final when they moved straight into the big match after a comfortable 35 point win over East Fremantle.

It was in this year that Bunton's on-field influence really came to the fore — although he had won the club's fairest and best award a year earlier — and he was well rewarded for his efforts. He won the Sandover Medal and took Swans to their second flag in history in consecutive years.

Bunton gave further proof of his coaching prowess in 1963 when he again led the team to the finals and their third pennant in succession.

At the same time he picked up his hat trick of fairest and best awards at the club.

But besides taking Swan Districts to their first three premierships, one of Bunton's biggest successes was in promoting a young rover from Narrembeen to the league side in 1961.

That youngster went on to become a

legend at Swan Districts, now holds the games played record at the club, was the winner of three Sandover Medals and won five fairest and best awards.

Bill Walker, after 305 games, is now the president of the Swan Districts Football Club and has put something back into a game which gave him great enjoyment during each one of those grand finals.

And who better to talk about the coaching genius of Bunton than Walker; a player who came to Perth just to try out for one season but stayed on to become one of the biggest names in the history of WA football.

"As a player Bunton was a man who got the most out of the ability he had", Walker says. "He was an achiever, winning a Sandover Medal, a Lindy Award and numerous State jumpers as well as three premierships for the club."

"Any player will look back on his first coach and agree that they had the biggest influence on their career."

"But it was Bunton who taught me what dedication was all about. It was also Bunton who taught me that you get out of the game what you put into it."

"He had the ability to analyse players, which is something I believe John Todd also has."

"I never heard Bunton raise his voice to a player — although he would take an individual aside and talk to him harshly."

"There was one incident when we were playing Subiaco at Bassendean and at half time we were seven or eight goals down."

"Bunton shut the doors and would not let anyone in. He stood there and waited for us all to have a drink and then he told us to go down to the old trainers' room and wait."

"When he came in he just sat down, said: 'We're better than this' and then walked out. We finished up winning that game by about eight goals", Walker recalls.

Todd is another to have done a great job at Bassendean.



John Todd

When he accepted the position in 1977, Swan Districts had been struggling. After playing in the finals in 1975 they finished second last the following season.

As soon as Todd arrived at Bassendean he pruned out players he considered would be of little value to him. He then worked on a squad of youngsters, with a blend of experience, in the belief that the club could return as a force.

In 1978 Swans again finished on the bottom rung of the league ladder. However, the following season they began to show that they could be a power once more.

Swans came with a late run of victories to finish in fifth position and as they approached 1980 there was an air of excitement.

Todd took his side to the grand final. But they were well beaten by South Fremantle and it was back to the drawing board for one of WA's toughest task masters.

He was determined to take Swans to another grand final and after the opening round in 1981 appeared to have every chance.

They won most of their qualifying matches comfortably, but when it came to the finals they again capitulated. Todd must have been wondering what he had to do to get the fourth pennant on the wall of the Bassendean rooms.

But he was a relieved man when, 12 months later, there it was. The 1982 premiership. It had taken six seasons of hard work but it was worth waiting for.



GREAT COACHES

An eight-part series by GARY STOCKS looking at the most successful coaches in the history of the WAFL clubs.



Haydn Bunton

SWANS coaches through the years . . .	
1934 G. Bee	1958 E. Strauss
1935 G. Bee/G. Margitich	1959 P. Johnson/B. Gray
1936 B. Chandler	
1937 J. Ditchburn	1960 C. Doig
1938 J. Ditchburn	1961 H. Bunton
1939 J. Ditchburn	1962 H. Bunton
1940 S. Sinclair/C. Rosewarne	1963 H. Bunton
	1964 H. Bunton
1941 H. Mosey	1965 F. Castledine
	1966 F. Castledine
1943 R. Maynard	1967 F. Castledine
1944 E. Gundry	1968 A. Nesbit
1945 R. Maynard	1969 W. Walker
1946 L. McComish	1970 W. Walker
1947 L. McComish	1971 W. Walker
1948 W. Kingsbury	1972 J. Ensor
1949 W. Kingsbury	1973 J. Ensor
1950 W. Kingsbury	1974 J. Ensor
1951 W. Kingsbury	1975 J. Ensor
1952 E. Holdsworth	1976 S. Magee
1953 F. Sparrow	1977 J. Todd
1954 F. Sparrow	1978 J. Todd
1955 F. Sparrow	1979 J. Todd
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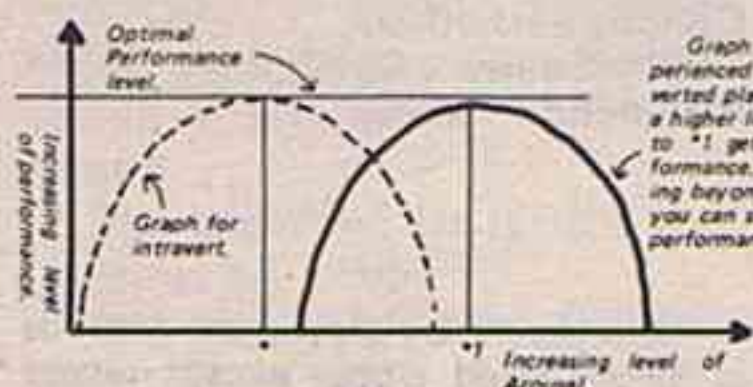
Many coaches still believe that arousing (exciting) players is the essence to success.

But how often have teams left all the action in the change rooms?

Many times before an important match I have heard coaches and presidents give stirring speeches trying to create a killer attitude and the players shouting promises of what they will do out on the field — but, alas, by half-time the match is lost!

This is because:

1. Exercise has the effect of decreasing anxiety and arousal. Often when the game has been in progress for a while, it is the coach, the reserves and the spectators who have high adrenaline levels rather than the players. Often the pre-match "psyching up" arousal effect is lost after 40 minutes. We often see the situation where a well "psyched up" weaker team gets a handy lead, but then with the exercise-induced decrease in anxiety and desperation, the skilled, stronger team bridges the gap.
2. Some players can be over-aroused to the detriment of their performance. The relationship between arousal and better performance is not directly proportional, but follows the graph below.



3. A lesser level of arousal is needed if—
 - a) Playing a stronger team as players are more edgy to begin with (e.g. in finals).
 - b) If dealing with inexperienced or intraverted players as they are more nervous individuals.

What are the effects of being over aroused?

- a) Player thinks he has less time to do things, e.g. kicks hurriedly and misses easy goal.
- b) He does not co-ordinate as well, e.g. mis-kicks and pulls muscles.
- c) Psychological weariness and does not concentrate as well, e.g. does not pick up opponent at crucial stage.
- d) Physical weariness earlier due to drop off of energy level. Often when a young player comes off panting after only one quarter it is probably because he is hypertense and emotionally drained rather than out of condition.
- e) Players' visual field or hearing spectrum narrows and he misses seeing or hearing opponents. How often does the crowd say "what's wrong? — is he blind not to have seen that lead"? This blindness is often anxiety induced!

A coach's success depends on individual handling of players and the realisation that some need to be relaxed rather than further excited so as not to take them beyond their optional arousal level. Confidence rather than over excitement is the key!

Dr. Football



Wesfarmers COUNTRY ROUNDUP

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NARROGIN TO BE CARNIVAL VENUE

NARROGIN will be the venue for this year's Great Southern carnival.

In the past five years the carnival has been successfully held in Albany. But the carnival committee decided that a change would help revive the carnival.

The last time an inter-league carnival was held in Narrogin was in 1972, but the format was completely different.

The carnival was played from Wednesday to Saturday with full matches being played rather than the shortened fixtures which exist in the Great Southern carnival.

The Upper Great Southern promotions officer, Mr Vic Whyte, has welcomed the change.

"There has been some talk about the carnival moving from Albany for a couple of years", Mr Whyte says. "And Narrogin's facilities are the equal of Albany so why shouldn't it be held here?"

"The club rooms may not be as big, but they will prove adequate", he said.

The carnival will be run along the same lines as it was in Albany, with five games being played on the Saturday and a further three, including the finals, being held on the Sunday.

Gibson struggle

The Gibson Football Club, the most successful in the Esperance Football Association in recent seasons, face a difficult task in the coming year.

Almost a full team — 16 players — have been cleared to other clubs and they will have problems filling the gaps.

Gibson won their first flag in 1958 and then had to wait until 1979 for their next pennant — but since then they have won another three premierships in succession.

The indications are that they will be struggling in 1983.

BOOST FOR EDFL

For the first time since 1969 the Eastern Districts Football League will run a 10 team competition.

With the arrival of Hyden-Kalgarin and Kulin from the disbanded Lake Grace Kokerin Football League the Eastern Districts league has been strengthened.

Both sides look strong and were impressive in pre-season practice matches.

The inclusion of the additional teams means that there will be a final five operating for the first time.

At this stage the EDFL are faced with an umpire shortage. They require seven umpires at least each week and at the moment there are only three training.

The curtain-raiser on the Sunday will be a colts grand final.

The Leagues in the area conduct a unique colts competition in two divisions and the winners of each section play off for the honours.

Players of the calibre of the Krakouer brothers, Jim and Phil, Allen Daniels, Darrell Panizza, Ross Ditchburn, Stephen Michael and Rod Barrett graduated from the colts to play league football in Perth or Victoria.

The carnival will be played on July 9 and 10 and five leagues will compete for honours.

Southern Districts, Lower South West, Central Great Southern and Ongerup will make the trip to Narrogin to vie for the title of Great Southern champions.

In the past it has proven to be a good lead-up for the Wesfarmers Country Football championships.

UGS players star at Fremantle

Fremantle Oval will be the home for several outstanding Upper Great Southern players this season.

The country zone for South Fremantle has provided many fine players in the past and 1983 is looming as no exception.

Former Narrogin Towns ruckman Lindsay Borthwick and Pingelly rover Nicky Winmar were outstanding in the pre-season practice matches and have continued on with that form in the first two games of the season.

Borthwick played in the league side in the first two matches and he has shown tons of promise.

He is a big man in his second season with the Bulldogs and he will obviously take some time to develop.

Another player in his second year at Fremantle Oval is former Federals rover Wally Matera.

He has impressed in his initial matches with South this year, kicking three goals in each match.

Matera is obviously a player of the future and his goal sense is uncanny. On last week's World of Sport show he won the goal-of-the-day award.

Winmar was in fine form early in pre-season work, but he played the first two fixtures of the year in the reserves.

However, he has been among his side's best players in each of those games and may not be too far away from his league debut.

Former Wickiepin star Ken Martin made his debut with the Bulldogs last season and judging on that performance he cannot be too far away from a regular berth.

Draw in CGSNFL

The Central Great Southern National Football League kicked off their season on Sunday with two games being played.

Australs, Gnowangerup and Kojonup did not play in the opening round.

In a thrilling match between Wanderers and newcomers to the competition, Kokerin, the game ended in a draw.

Wanderers led by eight goals at three quarter time and were kicking with the aid of a strong breeze in the last term, but

Kokerin showed great fighting qualities to come back strongly.

The Tigers ran out of legs in the last term, but this did not worry coach Alan Campbell.

Last year Wanderers hit their peak too early and it is his policy to build them up to the stage where they will play their best football at the end of the season.

Obviously he would have been happy to have won the opening match, but a draw would still be a satisfying result.

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KEN MCAULLAY
Channel 7



S. Fremantle v E. Fremantle

East Fremantle have been a disgrace, South are firing and would have to win a soft derby.

FRED WOODS
Westside Football



Swans v West Perth

If the Falcons are to live up to their claim of a win at Subiaco Oval in September they must get used to that venue now.

ALAN EAST
Western Mail

Dilemma for Brehaut

THE moment of truth has arrived for Greg Brehaut.

Very soon, if he hasn't done so already, Brehaut will have to make a decision about 1983 and the football future of the East Perth league side.

It is obvious from the strategies used by East Perth in the last three games that he has already detected the major flaw that exists in the Royals league side.

The fact is that the Royals' running division — as a whole and individually — lacks pace and does not defend in the sense of picking up a man when the opposition are controlling the ball.

As the game progresses and fatigue sets in, this places enormous pressure on most position players, particularly defenders, in modern-day football.

This is perhaps the main reason why East Perth, after frequently being in a winning position against top sides last year, could not maintain the effort. It is clear that the same problem still exists.

Brehaut is nobody's fool. It is to his credit that he has sized up his team so quickly.

The problem is what does he do?

I am certain he knows that a premiership is beyond his reach with the current side.

The dilemma he now faces is whether to

avoid rocking the East Perth boat and get into the finals or, alternatively, to start developing the types of players and football systems that can win a premiership later on.

Given the option, I feel sure that Brehaut would rather strive for the ultimate than accept second best.

EXCELLENT RECORD

His past record in football is one of excellence rather than mediocrity. The point of consensus is whether or not he will be given the option.

Having mentioned these points, you may well ask why I didn't do something about it in my two years at the club?

In order to avoid any future correspondence on this subject, I might mention that this matter was discussed at length when I re-applied for the coaching position under the previous administration. I was given the job on the understanding that a number of East Perth current players would be placed on the football market or played in different roles. And that seven or eight players from other WAFL clubs — whom I had already spoken to — would be recruited to East Perth.

— Incidentally, good luck Greg Brehaut and East Perth — and I happen to mean it.

DORRO'S DIARY

by GRANT DORRINGTON



Guess who?

OVER the Easter break I took my family for a short holiday to Yunderup — my first Easter break in 15 years.

While there I decided to look around for a possible holiday house and I met a real estate agent who was keen to discuss my football activities.

This gentleman seemed to have a very good knowledge of the game so I asked him had he ever been involved.

The quietly-spoken person said yes. It turned out to be Gordon Collis, a former Carlton player who played around 100 games in the 1960's and won the Brownlow Medal in 1964.

Collis retired through injury and moved to Albany and has since shifted to Mandurah.

I am sure that with his knowledge and experience it won't be long before he is involved in West Australian football.

Let the kids go!

HALF-time has generally been the time for the R. and I. Little League matches.

But I have always been of the opinion that children should be allowed to use the oval at the break.

Visualising being a league player is perhaps the greatest aspect all children have. They love to act out how their favourite player performs, so what better place than on the oval where the stars are playing.

I believe the ovals would be full of young players getting a chance to be part of our great game.

I'm sure there would be problems. But I believe problems should never stop what you believe has merit, particularly for the continual promotion of our game.

Why not try it one game this season.

Swans beware!

After watching Swan Districts twice in the past three weeks, I have observed signs that could indicate that they are still suffering from the subconscious condition — post premiership blues.

Signs that give me that opinion are not easy to detect unless you compare their game now with last season.

They are not running as hard and their use of the ball is not as direct and positive. Tackling, which was one of their greatest strengths, is not done with the same urgency.

I know it is early in the season, but if you look at the football history of sides winning back-to-back premierships, you find that many had the chance, but failed because these attitude problems were not just overcome.

Right numbers

It's an old problem that seems to be criticised by all football spectators over the years — players not having correct guernsey numbers.

At the Perth-Subiaco game two weeks ago, there were no fewer than seven players in the reserves whom no-one could identify.

It is very frustrating to everyone. I wanted to make note of one player whom I felt could succeed in league football, but no-one (including the Perth general manager Jack O'Dea) could tell me.

It is so important for the professional promotion of the game that it is time the league administrators got tough and imposed fines for wrong guernseys.

Dinner for two

THE Vegas Hotel in North Perth is a keen supporter and promoter of Australian football and they have excellent facilities that I would recommend any person to try.

The Vegas has donated as a weekly award a dinner for two. Each week I will be giving this award to someone whom I believe has contributed to our game.

The inaugural winner is East Perth rover — Alex Hamilton.

While playing his 200th game Alex broke his hand and now looks like being sidelined for a while.

I am sure the excellent meal will assist his speedy recovery.

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