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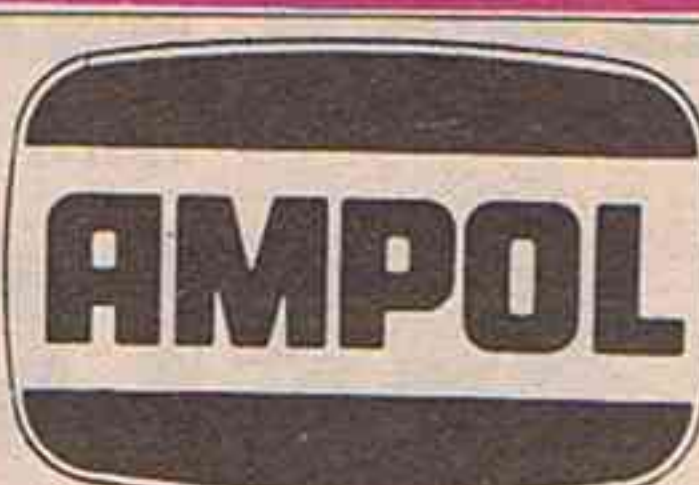
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WE'RE NOT FINISHED

CLAREMONT coach Graham Moss is in a quandry as the Tigers face their worst opening to a season in eight years.

"We simply can't afford to lose to Subiaco this week," says Moss.

"If we do, we will be completely out of touch and our whole season could be shot to pieces.

"We really needed to win last week, but we blew it."

Despite Claremont's poor form in losing the opening three matches, Moss firmly believes that his Tigers will answer the challenge by beating the Lions — and that will be their first step towards their fourth successive grand final.

But it's not that simple.

The woeful form of several senior players and a long list of injuries have complicated Claremont's problems.

As Moss says, too much has been left to too few in the opening three games.

"That's why we have been beaten by Swans and East Fremantle after starting well.

"The other players just haven't contributed when the hard-working players have tired."

Just when Moss needs every available player at his disposal, the Tigers have an injury list which includes star recruit Bruce Monteath, State half-back Mike Aitken, rover Mark Watson and ruckman recruit David Court.

Monteath was recruited to cover for the loss of ace goalsneak Warren Ralph, but he hasn't played since the first game.

In addition, full-forward Alan Rowe was expected to give the attacking zone some strength and goal kicking power, but he is now back in the reserves.

That means the Tigers do not have a spearhead.

Just the same Moss is not about to panic.

"Over the years I have learned to cope with adversity and I am confident we can win this week and help the team morale.

"Not that I am suggesting it is down at the moment, but it helps when you win games."

By GARY STOCKS



Joseph for top job?

VICTORIAN football heavyweight Ron Joseph is a hot contender for WA's top administrative post.

The ruthless North Melbourne maestro was in Perth last weekend obviously in connection with the WAFL's nation-wide search for a highly paid chief executive.

Joseph was the driving force

behind North Melbourne's massive recruiting drive in the mid-70s when they lifted themselves up the VFL ladder to become a football power.

He played a leading hand in North's administration before moving into the background last year. But just last week the Kangaroos recalled him after their poor start to the new season.

It seems more than a coincidence that Joseph came to Perth just after the WAFL advertised Australia-wide for the position.

Joseph indicated several years ago that he was interested in coming West in an administrative capacity, but that was as far as the move went.

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WELCOME BACK, STEVE

AS A Stephen Michael fan from way back, what a relief it was to see him in action against Swan Districts last week.

The Muhammad Ali of WA football has battled against a nagging injury throughout the summer months in an effort to play again this year.

Some doubting critics suggested that the All-Australian captain and dual Sandover Medallist has battled more than his knee injury to take the field.

The lack of a challenge and having achieved all he can have been given as reasons for the champion struggling to regain his old 'spark' for the game.

But two things in his first senior game for 1984 were enough to suggest that Michael will soon be back to his electrifying best.

One was that he came through the game without any further trouble to the knee saying: "The knee is great and there is no pain in it at all."

And secondly, Michael is poised to play in yet another premiership side.

He will again be a big part of any premiership that goes the Bulldogs way.

Although Michael did not excel against the Swans he displayed glimpses of his true form.

The mere presence of Michael adds confidence to the Bulldogs and with the energetic, youthful look they have under the leadership of Brad Hardie they will be hard to stop for the 1984 flag.

Another shining light for the port side was the effort of former skipper Noel Carter.



Stephen Michael

In the past season or two Carter has come in for undue criticism, some people suggesting he has not been 'switched on'.

But the "boys are back" WAFL logo is well and truly in vogue at Fremantle and under the current regime, they certainly are premiership contenders.

Hurry back, Bob

TO PLAY league football nowadays demands enormous time and dedication in order to reap the benefits attached to success.

One of WA's top umpires, Bob Phillips, can testify from first hand experience that life can also be pretty hard for the men in white.

The men with the thankless task of sport have to go through as many rigours as do the players — and then face the abuse each Saturday.

Phillips has been hard at work since he underwent major surgery last October for a knee ailment.

Plenty of attention has centred around the comebacks of Stephen Michael, Ron Boucher and Wayne Simms — all players with knee

problems. But Phillips has suffered and endured as arduously as any player.

Last Saturday his efforts received a setback when he was forced from the Swans-Souths game at half-time.

After the game Phillips said: "I've been having trouble with the knee for some weeks now and it looks as though I might have to take three or four weeks off."

Phillips is a fine umpire and with the lack of experienced umpires on the league panel, it is hoped he can force his way back in a hurry.



Swan Districts utility player Steve Richardson was on the receiving end of a verbal tongue-lashing from coach John Todd last week, but his opponent Nicky Winmar obviously saw the problem and took time out to console him.

COOL CUSTOMER

CLAREMONT coach Graham Moss is a worried man at present after three straight losses . . . but he's certainly not losing his cool. In the crisis moments against East Fremantle last week, when the Tigers were just in front with a few minutes to go only to see East Fremantle snatch back the lead, he remained cool and almost impassive as the siren went. As he spoke to members after the game he was quite constructive about the situation. "There were some positive signs today," he said. "But we are severely undermanned at present; we are not demoralised; there is plenty of endeavour in the side. But we simply don't have enough good players with the potential to be consistent league footballers."

LOYAL FANS

THE loyal group of Claremont fans who construct those giant banners each week are firm in their belief that the Tigers will triumph. "The only way is up" was their slogan last week and for a side sitting on the bottom after three straight losses, that is very appropriate.

SWANS SPECIAL

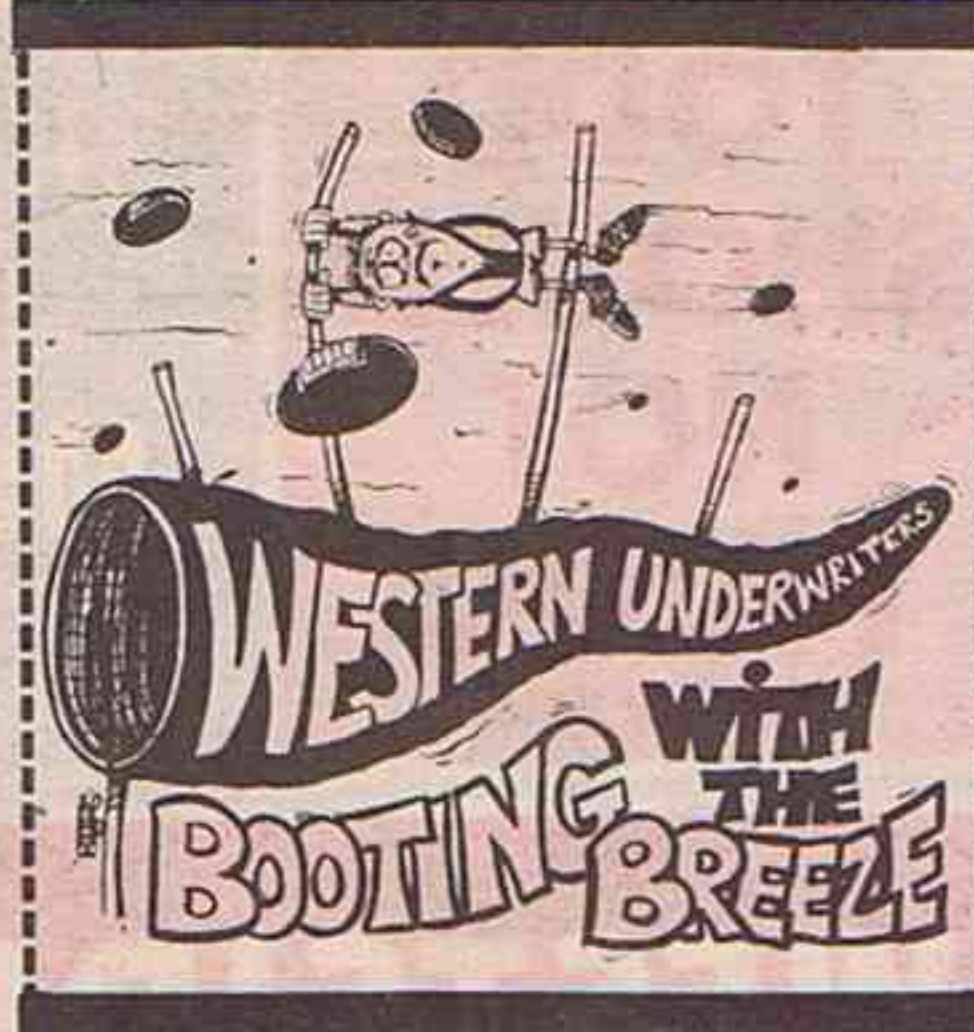
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"THE BEST"

A report prepared by members of the WAFL Task Force — Bill Mitchell, John Horgan and Peter Collins — which in part appeared in the latest edition of Lifestyle magazine (put out by Perth Building Society), was described by WA's Premier Brian Burke as "the best document he has seen on a sporting activity."

Findings from the report show there are 48,000 junior footballers in WA, with half that total being associated with WAFL clubs.

The report also states that 6,000 umpires are needed weekly for junior games, along with 12,000 officials.



FIGHTING FIT

EAST Perth fans must have been pleased to see 1983 Channel 7 Sandover Medallist John Ironmonger acting as the club's runner on Saturday. The giant ruckman has been out of league action for the first three games of the season after operations on his heels. He looks a ball of muscle at present and he will obviously make a difference to the Royals when fit and back in action.

OUT OF COURT

WHEN Oral McGuire kicked Perth's eighth goal on Saturday, the ball became stuck on a roof at the northern end of the ground. East Perth players would have been hoping that the ball didn't come back and a replacement ball could not be found because the Demons were playing a magnificent brand of football at that stage.

GUESS WHO?

PERTH supporters at Lathlain Park looked a bit puzzled when young Royals rover Tony Papotto came out wearing No.11 after the quarter time break. Papotto's normal jumper, No.23, was torn when he received a strong tackle in the first term and many people wondered who the mystery player was.

TIPSTERS NIGHTMARE

THE way the competition is going at the moment makes it extremely difficult for tipsters to pick winners with any degree of confidence. Although we have 11 people tipping in Westside Football each week, no one has yet picked four winners in a round. It makes it difficult for the experts, but the officials at the WAFL must be smiling. It could be the tightest season on record.

STATE GAME

The WA Football League has confirmed that the interstate clash with Victoria will be at Subiaco Oval, on Tuesday, July 17, as originally planned.

Moves by the VFL to consider a change of date have been dropped.

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v . . Swan Districts at Bassendean.
v . . Perth at Bassendean.

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Todd should not panic

THERE is no need for Swan Districts to press the panic button after only one win from three games.

Chief football writer for the Sunday Times.



RAY WILSON

is this week's

Guest Columnist

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Swans have looked second-raters against East Perth and South Fremantle this season, but shone against Claremont. And now coach John Todd faces one of his greatest football challenges in getting his players on the boil.

The job is not easy or enviable. Players could feel justified in sitting — back reflecting on past glories after two great premierships.

And facing up to another hard grind is not appealing, especially when the Swans boys just want to get out on Subiaco Oval on September 22 and get that hat-trick of flags.

Last Saturday Todd flew off the handle after the shocking loss against South Fremantle and promptly withdrew the payments of five of his non-contributors.

If these players are on contracts, and surely they are, the withdrawal of payments represents an interesting legal point.

Can the players challenge the action, or have they some clauses which allow this sort of move?

The most difficult part for Todd is to re-light the fuse so that the enthusiasm at least gets them into the finals.

Last year Swans started slowly before gaining momentum in the final series.

Swans finished third and then dominated the finals to grab their second successive flag.

Now, Swans face a similar year, but Todd must be worried that the players may not regain the appetite for victory in the lead-up to the finals.

It provides the perfect case for players to employ self-motivation . . . the hardest aspect any coach has to handle.

Swans will bounce back . . . there is no doubt about that.

It's simply a matter of when and how hard. The boys from Bassendean are in line for the flag again this year, but it may take them a little longer to get going than last season.

Their current approach could well be summed up by the form of Tony Solin, one of Swans star attractions.

Solin is the typical "never give 'em an inch" footballer who is going through a nightmare run.

ATROCIOUS

Against Claremont Solin played poorly, and then last week against South Fremantle, he was atrocious, so much so that Todd dragged him from the ground shortly before half-time.

Solin's still got what it takes but he's appearing to try too hard without actually getting the results.

When it all comes together for Solin and his mates, then Swans can start planning the assault on the finals.

The heartening signs for Swans were the form of Peter Sartori, the increasing confidence of Brent Hutton and Chris Allen's return to his best in the reserves on Saturday.

Sartori, Swans best player in the finals last year, has been given restricted work this season because of illness over summer.

However, he will soon be ready to assume his full-time ruck duties which will boost Swans enormously in the mid-field.

While Ken Marshall still continues to play in patches, Hutton has grabbed the chance to show his skills at full-forward.

The fast-leading Hutton has excelled over the past two weeks and gives the forward line a target.

Allen, recruited from East Perth, has been out of touch but his spell in the reserves looks as though it has done the trick.

Swans have too many good players who should be back in form soon to be out of the winner's circle for much longer.

And when the Swans start to fly, there's very few teams capable of catching them.

QUICK CHANGE

How fleeting success is . . . just ask Tony Amoroso.

Amoroso made a spectacular debut for South Fremantle in the opening match of the season against Claremont.

He cut Allen Daniels out of the match and capped his performance with a towering chest mark above Bruce Monteath and Kevin Cornell.

But then it soured for the 24-year-old against East Fremantle when he turned in a shocker.

And Mal Brown obviously wasn't playing favourites. He dropped Amoroso after one bad game.

However, to his credit, the tough half-back bounced back in the reserves last week to be his side's best player.

John Todd . . . he shouldn't press the panic button yet. He still has the players required to be successful. He has the nucleus of a good side and some young players will emerge before the end of the year.



COME ON CLUBS...

LIFT YOUR GAME!

LAUGH-a-minute media personality John K. Watts was serious for just a few minutes this week — and we are right behind him.

Wattsie, 6PR's football guru and now gracing our Sunday luncheons on Channel 7's World of Sport, had a shot at the eight league coaches and the clubs for not releasing properly-placed teams on Thursday nights.

The current trend among most clubs to train on Friday nights and then release a placed team is simply not good enough when it comes to promotion of the game.

Friday is the best day for people to talk about football and plan their weekend around their sporting activities.

"If you don't have the teams lined up on each other, player on player, then it's hard to talk about footballers on Friday," said JKW.

THURSDAY NIGHTS

"The teams must be released on Thursday nights if football is going to win the crowds back."

We agree completely, JKW.

One of the great aspects of our game is the way we continue to produce exciting young stars despite the rape and pillage carried out on our football ranks by the greedy VFL.

But if we cannot unveil these excitement machines by name — and talk about their opponents — on Thursday nights and Friday, then Saturday football becomes a very secret affair.

Sure, clubs are out to win — and survive on the football premiership table. But if they don't tell the public who is playing where, all but the die-hard supporters will stay home and enjoy pleasant sunny afternoons in the garden.

That means loss of revenue — and that doesn't help the clubs survive financially.

We have had three outstanding sets of fixtures to open the season, with all 12 games offering something attractive in the way of a pre-game crowd-pleasing contest.

Yet our crowds, after three glorious weekends of weather, are down by more than 10,000 on last year.

WAF's newly-constituted Board of Directors has to act fast on this issue.

Clubs must be made to name no more than 21 players on a Thursday night, placing them in position, and face hefty fines if they go outside that list, with maybe one exception per week in case of last-minute injuries.

It's about time our football clubs remembered that there is another group of people in this town interested in the game apart from themselves, their players, their officials and their sponsors — the paying public.



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IT COMES DOWN TO ATTITUDE

WHEN skill and fitness levels are basically the same, the final analysis of a game depends on the attitude of the individuals and the team. It is said that 90 percent of football these days is mental attitude and certainly Perth last week proved that they had a more positive attitude opposed to East Perth — and so we achieved a great result. It was a significant contrast from the previous week. With a great contest against Swans on Monday, there will be no room for a lapse in mental skills.

POOR SHOW

IT is disappointing to see Gary Malarkey planning a return to Victoria to play football. Not only is it a great loss for East Perth and WA, but it means another win for the Vics because he will now certainly finish his career over there. I hope this situation is never repeated, with a West Australian player wanting to return home, but having to go back to Melbourne because of an inter-club conflict in WA.

COURAGE PLUS

PERTH captain Bryan Cousins left no doubt on Saturday that he was prepared to set the example for his side in a physical capacity. The bump he gave young East Perth wingman Richard Dennis in the third quarter was a ripper. Dennis was set up with a poor handball and faced Cousins in full flight. To his credit he bounced back and continued to be a solid contributor for the Royals.

POTENTIAL

I WAS impressed with young East Perth half-back David Morgan last week. He is a real "goer", fights hard for the ball and certainly is prepared to attack it. At the other end of the ground it was good to see Grant Campbell move around and create many opportunities at centre-half-forward. Grant's career has fluctuated, but he now seems to be playing his most consistent football.

DOUG'S MILESTONE

CONGRATS to Doug Simms on reaching his 100 game milestone last weekend. Doug played 94 games for Perth before shifting to West Perth and he has struggled to hold down a regular place in the Falcons side. After his five goal effort last week let's hope that Doug can retain consistency in his performances.

AND 300

WHILE on personal achievements, I would also like to pass on my personal congratulations to Perth's chief statistician Richard Camm who officiated in his 300th game for the club on Saturday. Known as "Stats" Richard has been involved since 1970 and he doesn't miss a beat.

WORD RECORD

PERTH reserves team manager Mike Redenbach believes that coach Chubby Stiles put his name in the Guinness Book of Records last Saturday. According to Mike he received 111 messages in 100 minutes from Chubby. No wonder Mike is often seen holding the phone some distance from his ear. Chubby later acted as league runner.

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PREVIEW

A look at Saturday's WAFL league fixtures

OUR EXPERTS SELECT:

	Tally	E.F. v W. Perth	Subiaco v C'mont	E. Perth v S.F.	Swans v Perth
MOTHER BROWN	7	East Fremantle	Subiaco	South Fremantle	Swans
GARY CARVOLTH	6	East Fremantle	Subiaco	South Fremantle	Swans
KIM HAGDORN	5	East Fremantle	Subiaco	South Fremantle	Swans
IAN MILLER	5	East Fremantle	Subiaco	South Fremantle	Perth
ALAN EAST	4	East Fremantle	Claremont	East Perth	Swans
GRANT DORRINGTON	4	East Fremantle	Claremont	South Fremantle	Swans
DAVE CLEMENT	4	East Fremantle	Claremont	South Fremantle	Swans
JOHN DUCKWORTH	3	West Perth	Claremont	South Fremantle	Perth
PETER POAT	3	East Fremantle	Claremont	South Fremantle	Swans
GARY STOCKS	2	East Fremantle	Claremont	East Perth	Perth
ROBERT BENNETT	1	East Fremantle	Claremont	South Fremantle	Swans
MOST FAVOURED	4	East Fremantle	Claremont	South Fremantle	Swans

The Tigers — this time

CLAREMONT will open their account for the 1984 season when they play arch rivals Subiaco at league headquarters on Saturday.

The Tigers must win this game to give them the required confidence to go on and play in this year's finals.

Although they have not won a match as yet, it is only a matter of time before they start playing the brand of football everyone knows they can produce.

For their sake it is unfortunate that they play Subiaco this Saturday.

The Lions have an impressive record in recent years against the Tigers, even though they have been at different ends of the premiership table.

HANDFUL

Although they have won only a handful of the encounters, Subiaco have always pushed the Tigers and because they have won two of their three matches this year, they will be confident of success.



By GARY STOCKS

Claremont will need to steal an early break on their rivals if they hope to win and they will need Steve Malaxos to continue his excellent form.

Malaxos has been easily the most consistent player for the Tigers and will need support from Allen Daniels, Michael Mitchell and Stephen Goulding.

On the other hand Subiaco will need Greg Wilkinson, Dwayne Lamb, Neil Taylor and Phil Lamb in top form if they are to maintain their position on the top of the ladder.



Tackles were laid everywhere on Swans star Murray Rance (18) during this hectic passage of play against South Fremantle.

SHARKS RUN TO CONTINUE

WEST Perth will be extremely confident of toppling East Fremantle in the other Saturday fixture of the Easter split round — but the Sharks should be able to continue their winning run.

After a disappointing start when they were well beaten by Subiaco, the Sharks have scored impressive wins over South Fremantle and Claremont.

The major contributing factor in those two wins has been the form of ruckman Paul Harding.

He has been outstanding in the last two games and the Falcons will need a big performance from Ramsay Bogunovich if they are to match the Sharks in this department.

East Fremantle also have an impressive band of running players, led by Murray Wrensted, Roger Kerr, Peter Wilson and Mark Valli, and that group will give East Fremantle the "run" they need around the ground.

Royals can do it

On Monday, the game of the day should result when East Perth meet South Fremantle at Perth Oval.

South were impressive in beating Swan Districts last week while East Perth will be looking to avenge their defeat at the hands of Perth.

The Royals will work hard during the week because they were beaten at their own game by Perth.

They had built a reputation as the toughest team in the competition, but Perth had greater strength and they committed themselves whole-heartedly to the cause of winning.

Now East Perth must go back to square one. But there is no reason for them to panic.

They still have the players in their line-up who can cause problems for the Bulldogs.

Obviously Grant Campbell will need to continue his excellent form at centre-half-forward. John Scott will have to put last week's effort behind him and Peter Spencer and Wayne Otway have to continue their hard work at ground level.

On the other hand the Royals will need to keep Brad Hardie, Nicky Winmar, Paul Vasoli and David Hart under control.

East Perth can do that and they will win the match.

PERTH LOOK THE GOODS

The other Monday game sees a great clash between Swan Districts and Perth at Bassendean.

The Demons are riding high with a crushing win over East Perth last Saturday, while Swans will be keen to rebound after going down easily to South Fremantle.

With Peter Bosustow and Robert Wiley firing, the Demons look a far more impressive combination. The young players around them lift in confidence and play impressively.

But Swans do not take kindly to losing and after a hectic week of training they will be keen to avenge the disaster of last week.

Just the same Perth appear to have the power to trouble Swans and go on to win the match.

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Why the lack of interest?

Is WA footy on the skids?

It's difficult to understand the lack of interest in the competition this season.

The attendance response to matches would suggest 1984 is a big yawn.

Yet it is probably the most interesting season we've had in the past five years.

Since 1979 four teams, Swan Districts, Claremont, South Fremantle and East Perth, have monopolised the four.

Each has made the finals on four occasions (the Tigers five) leaving little room for any other club.

But that seems likely to change this year.

The competition is poised for a big shake up.

WIDE-OPEN

Though only three rounds have been played the competition appears wide-open.

Claremont and Swans seem to have come back to the field, while Subiaco, Perth and East Fremantle each look capable of a bold showing this year.

Given the fact that we have had great weather, absorbing matchings and very unpredictable results people should be bursting at the seams to go to games.

But they're not.

Have we become a second-rate competition?

The constant plundering of top players from WA by VFL clubs has left the cupboard bare of name players... though certainly not talent.

Something is keeping people away from the football. In fact attendances have lagged way behind population growth in WA over the past 20 years.

SOMERSAULT

If a season that has so far seen a complete somersault on last year's premiership ladder can't stir up interest then what can?

John Todd hit the nail on the head when he posed the question last week "I wonder what the public really want?"

The new board of directors should address itself to that question and quickly. One area the board could have used its influence and initiative, concerns star defender Gary Malarkey.

The board should have stepped in and tried to resolve the dispute between Malarkey and East Perth.

STARS

It now seems he will return to Victoria at a time WA football is screaming for players of star status.

Malarkey is the kind of player WA football needs... a member of the VFL's super league last season.

The way the season is panning out virtually any of the eight teams look capable of making the finals.

If that can't draw the crowds then I guess I can only echo Todd's sentiments. Just what does the public really want? Obviously not an absorbing competition.



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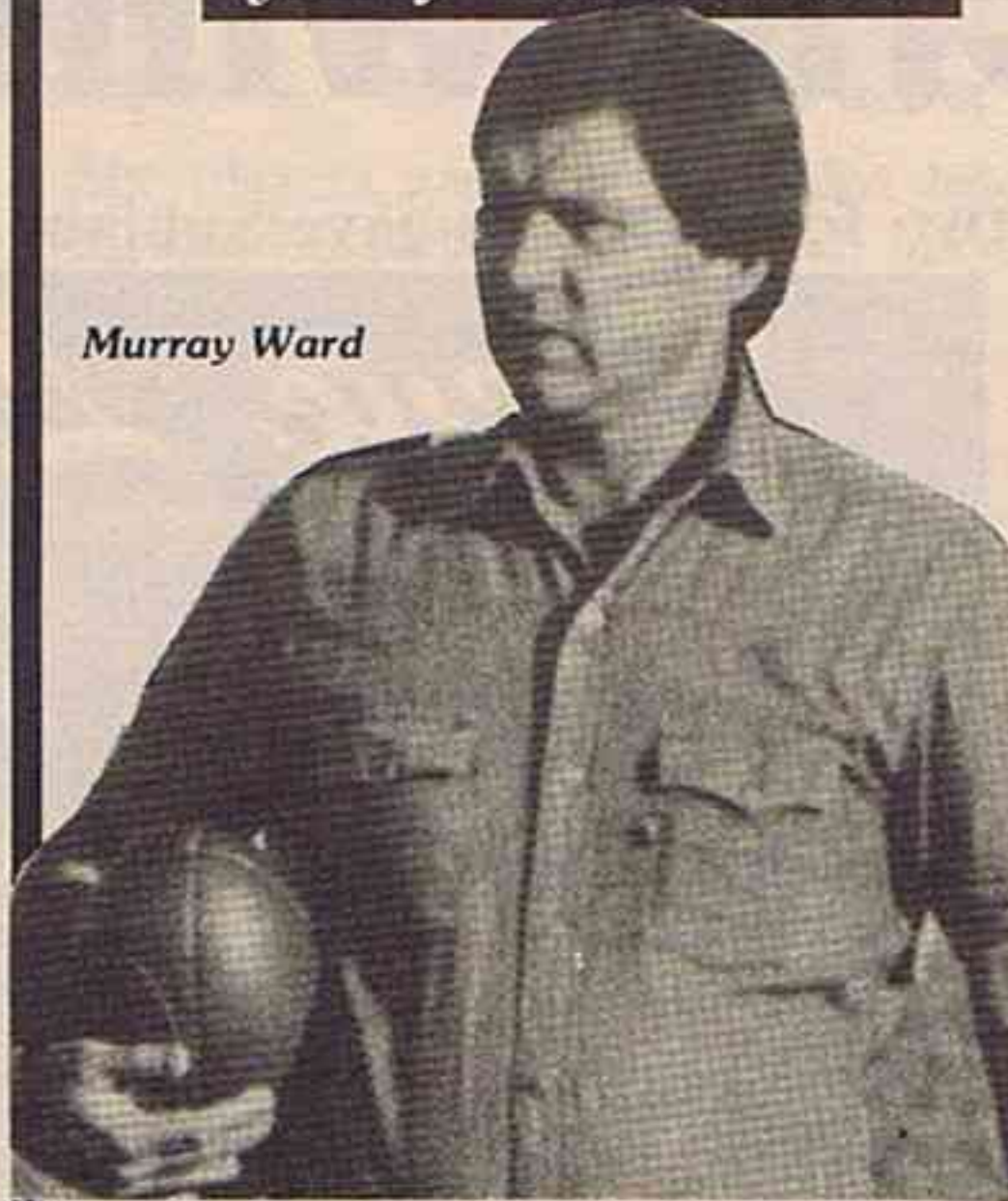
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STRAIGHT SHOOTING

SWANS coach John Todd has never been one to mix his words; he has always been a straight shooter. And at Friday's 6PR panel show at the Morley Park Hotel he shot straight from the hip when he said: "I've got no time for the man... he has got no ability." He was referring to the man who helped get Claremont to three grand finals and one premiership and the same chap who is being hailed as East Fremantle's saviour in 1984 — Murray Ward. Obviously Graham Moss and Ron Alexander have a higher opinion of Ward's football brain.

Murray Ward



FUNNY FACES

WHO said John K. Watts was one of WA sport's most recognisable faces. At the 6PR panel show at the Morley Park Hotel on Friday champion West Australian boxer Baby Cassius was in the audience and J.K. decided to interview the powerfully built fighter. But he was greeted with "G'day Bazza". Cassius obviously mistook Wattsie for his former colleague Barry Martin.

NO SPEECH

IN this column a couple of weeks ago I reported that West Perth coach Dennis Cometti failed to address members after his side had lost to Perth. Well, apparently Dennis has broken with the normal tradition at the club altogether, because he also declined to speak again last Saturday night after the Falcons' fighting win over Subiaco... and he would have had plenty to crow about that night. Maybe, Dennis is sick of the bad manners displayed by many club members who carry on noisy chatter while coaches are trying to speak. I wouldn't blame him if he was. The problem exists at all clubs. There always seems to be some nit-wits who cannot keep their mouths closed for five minutes while their coaches address members.

TOOTHLESS TIGER

DASHING Claremont winger Darrell Panizza seems to have lost his dash. Panizza, one of the fastest men in the competition, just hasn't fired a shot this season and seems to be putting in a few too many 'short ones'. Strange things happen to footballers over summer and let's hope that Panizza's flair for football hasn't been dulled by the sun's rays. He's too good a player to end up in reserves.

FOOTY FINES

IF Swan Districts coach John Todd can penalise his players by holding back their match payments for lack of effort, then East Fremantle coach Ron Alexander must have been in a dilemma at half-time last week. Alexander's stats read no marks, no kicks, no handballs after the first half... but, to his credit, he really lifted in the third term and his aggressive forward play got the Sharks back in business. The Sharks kicked six goals in a row during the third and fourth quarters and Alexander featured in most of them, kicking two and setting up others.

AND A BLEMISH!

BUT talking about fines, maybe Sharks skipper Ron Alexander should be fined for his action when he kicked his team's 13th goal in the last term against Claremont. The big ruckman received the ball in the goalsquare all on his own and ran right up to the goal line and booted it out of sight. With footies costing clubs something like \$40 each — and the local kids thriving on actions like Alexander's — it's no wonder clubs are in financial strife.

THAT LEEDERVILLE BOARD AGAIN

LAST week I slated the Lathlain Park scoreboard for inefficiency and I knew it wouldn't be long before the Leederville board operators also slipped back into their old habits. Last Saturday, scores from other grounds were constantly well behind. Many spectators stood and watched the board after the Leederville match had finished, hoping to get the final result of the tight match at Claremont Oval. But true to normal form all the scores were ripped off the board at the final siren with the score for the Claremont Oval match indicating a Tiger victory.

FROM THE OUTER

During a hectic passage of play featuring West Perth's vice-captain Peter Menaglio at Leederville Oval last Saturday a middle aged Italian gentleman sitting in the outer was heard to proudly announce (in a thick Italian accent) to one of his countrymen friends: "Ya know dat fella is a ding, ya know".

Meanwhile, across town at Lathlain Park... a Demon fan, obviously enjoying his club's new found success was rubbing salt into the wounds of nearby Royals supporters with frequent jibes. At one stage while his Demon side was enjoying an eight goal lead and were making the Royals look like a second rate side, he yelled: "When's the main game going to start."

I will award a double pass to a City Theatre to the person sending in what I consider the funniest comment each week. My address is: "The Hood, Westside Football, 215 Oxford Street, Leederville.

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Former VFA star finds his niche with Subi.

A chance meeting between two football fans gave Subiaco one of their most consistent players last year.

The Lions reserves team manager, Peter Taylor, was the captain of a cricket club for whom Steve Leishman played and he convinced the former VFA star to have another crack at top level football.

At that stage Leishman had gone from having the football world at his feet to playing WAFA with South Perth in just three years.

He won a VFA fairest and best award with Oakleigh in 1980 and had several options open to him.

He had signed as a junior with South Melbourne (now the Sydney Swans), was residentially bound to St. Kilda and Richmond had shown interest in luring him into the big time.

INTERVIEWED

After winning Oakleigh's fairest and best he was interviewed in Victoria's equivalent of Westside Football and he stated that he wanted to head west.

East Fremantle read the story and contacted his father.

At the time Leishman had decided to go on a trip around Australia. Football was going to run second for a change.

However, East Fremantle were extremely keen to have him play with them in 1981 and when they made contact in Darwin he decided to continue his career in the WAFL.

He came to WA because he did not want to become involved in a clearance battle over his services.

But he missed the first four games with East Fremantle because St. Kilda, South Melbourne and Oakleigh all wanted something out of the deal.

DISPUTE

Then, when that dispute was sorted out, he played just four games with the reserves before breaking a wrist.

To cap it all off, just when he was almost fit enough to resume, he received a groin injury.

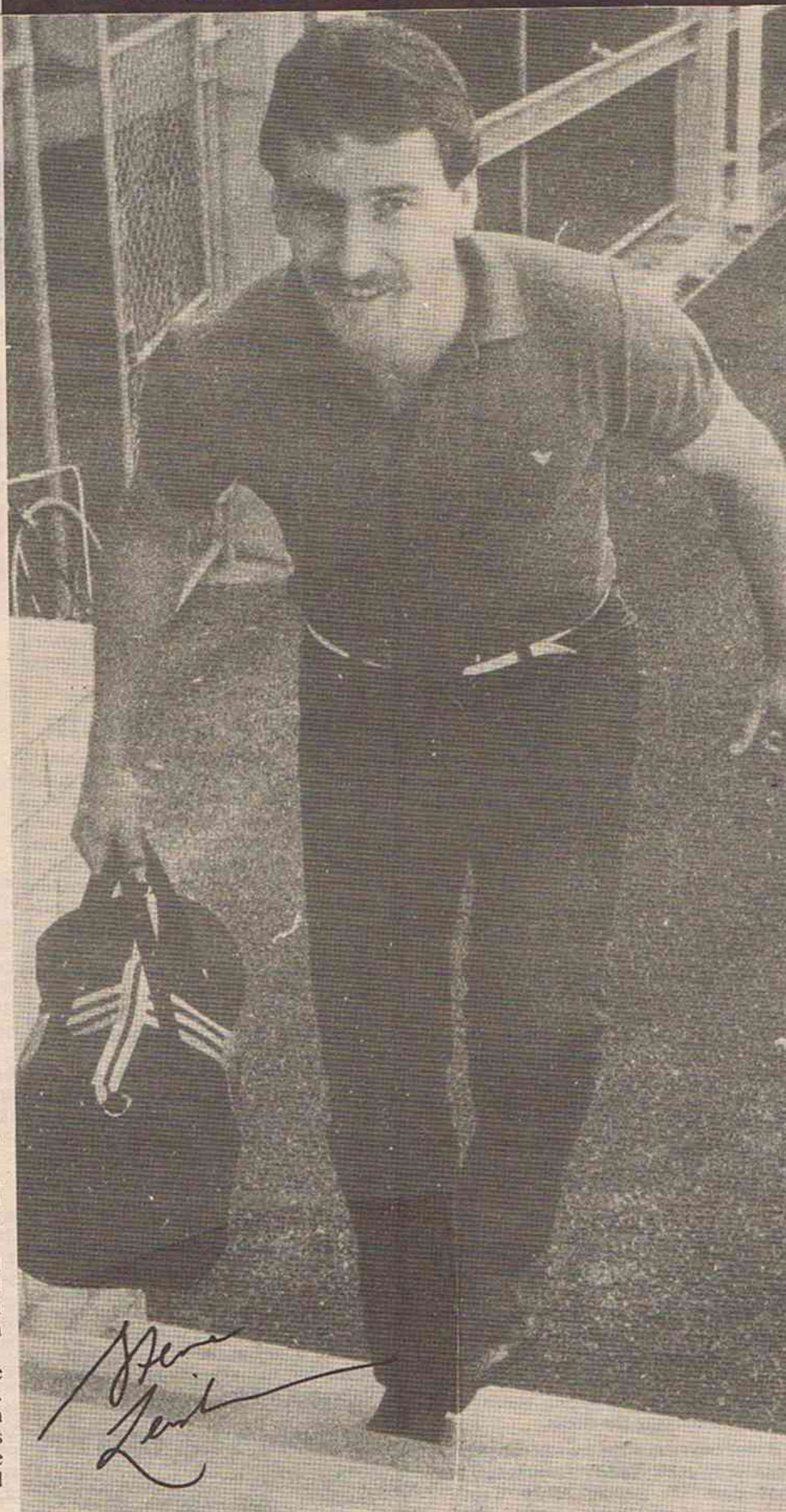
In 1982 he decided not to play at all. However, he was living with South Perth reserves coach Peter Mowat, who convinced Leishman to play under his direction.

Leishman accepted the challenge, played a couple of reserves games and then his interest in the game was revived and he was promoted to the league side.

During the summer he met Taylor and when coach Peter Daniel discovered Leishman had won a fairest and best award in the VFA he decided to give him an opportunity.

Since then he has become one of the most consistent players at Subiaco. Although most of his games have been played from the back pocket he won his fairest and best award with Oakleigh while playing in the pivot and his services could be used further up the ground.

Steve Leishman



PERSONAL DETAILS

Name: Steve Leishman
Date of Birth: 22/5/58
Place of Birth: Clayton, Melbourne
Height: 5.10½ (179 cm)
Weight: 12.7 (79 kg)
Previous club: South Perth
Occupation: Public Servant
Major awards: Oakleigh (VFA) reserves fairest and best 1975, Oakleigh league fairest and best 1980.
Marital Status: Single
Wife/Girlfriend's name: Rae Garvey
Hobbies: None
Other sporting interests: Cricket, body surfing, rugby.
Favourite actor: Burt Reynolds
Favourite movie: The Mean Machine
Favourite food: Stuffed cabbage leaves, Chinese.
Favourite drink: Strawberry milk or beer.
Nickname: Leish
Why? Just an abbreviated form of my surname.

Favourite book: Helter Skelter
Car: Ford Escort.
Career Highlight: My first league game.
Worst moment in football: Playing in a losing VFA grand final team in 1979.
Hard things in football: Sunday morning training.
How do you mentally prepare for a game: I mentally picture myself at the times I have played well.
Football Idols: Robert Flower.
Ambitions: To play in a finals series with Subiaco.
Advice to youngsters: To work on the skills they are not proficient at.
Current Position: Back Pocket.
Favourite position: Centre.
Biggest influence on your career: My father Allan, junior coach Jeff Marshall and Peter Taylor.
Games played: 24.
League debut: 1983.
Guernsey number: 10.

MILESTONE MEN

50 GAMES

Graeme Carter (EF) 48
 Michael Christian (EP) 47
 Craig Hoyer (SD) 47*

* Denotes that tally includes other club games as follows: Craig Hoyer 2 Hawthorn.

100 GAMES

Grant Campbell (EP) 99
 Peter Murnane (WP) 98 *
 Barry Kimberley (SD) 98 *
 Darrell Panizza (C) 98
 Ross Fitzgerald (P) 96 *

* Denotes that tally includes other club games as follows: Peter Murnane 80 Hawthorn; Ross Fitzgerald 77 Swan Districts; Barry Kimberley 76 Perth.

150 GAMES

Wayne Otway (EP) 149 *
 Brian Adamson (WP) 147 *
 Geoff Hendriks (WP) 145
 Neil Taylor (S) 144

* Denotes that tally includes games with two or more clubs as follows: Wayne Otway 113 East Perth; 36 Essendon; Brian Adamson 125 West Perth, 22 Norwood.

200 GAMES

Ross Prunster (P) 192 *
 Ron Boucher (SD) 190

* Denotes that tally includes games with two or more clubs as follows: Ross Prunster 159 West Perth, 33 Perth.

250 GAMES

Bruce Monteath (C) 246 *
 Gary Malarkey (P) 244 *

* Denotes that tally includes games with two or more clubs as follows: Bruce Monteath 128 Richmond, 117 South Fremantle; Gary Malarkey 143 Geelong, 101 East Perth.

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 Brendon Bell (WP) 20 on 20th
 Geoff Thomson (P) 25 on 21st
 Allen Daniels (C) 25 on 21st
 Chris Allen (SD) 25 on 21st
 John Stampalia (S) 25 on 22nd
 Ian Newman (P) 19 on 22nd
 Greg Wilkinson (S) 23 on 23rd
 John O'Sullivan (EF) 19 on 24th
 Craig Edwards (SF) 23 on 25th
 Jeff Davidson (SD) 23 on 26th
 Craig Nelson (WP) 21 on 26th
 Jon Dorotich (SF) 22 on 27th
 Mark Taylor (EF) 21 on 28th



Geoff Thomson



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Cut out the easy kicks

I WAS amazed to see the number of free kicks awarded at Claremont Oval last Saturday. The umpires stopped the play almost 100 times — Claremont received 50 free kicks and East Fremantle 48. I believe free kicks should be given if they are there, but surely there weren't 98 infringements during 100 minutes of football. Football these days is meant to be flow-on and the free kicks awarded in that game certainly did not help. In addition the match at Leederville Oval saw 76 frees awarded and that was also made a stop-start affair. Come on umps, just give the kicks when they are earned and don't try to run the game.

IN HOT WATER

I LOBBED myself in hot water with several people around town when I said on 6KY on Saturday that if Shorty Daniels had been reported for unduly rough play he must have been to South Africa during the week for a heart transplant. Daniels, by his own admission, says he is not built to hand out the hefty bumps or get involved in the physical crunches. I believe he is a top player and there is plenty of room for him in league football. He reads the play well, runs hard and long and last Saturday, when the pressure went on, it was Daniels who kept the Tigers in the match.

ON WITH THE JOB

IT WAS particularly pleasing to see two of my former team mates getting rid of the knives from their backs when they were solid contributors in West Perth's win last week. Big Ramsay Bogunovich has taken a while to settle down at Leederville Oval since returning home from Geelong last year, but on the weekend he proved to everyone, including himself, that he is up to league football and he CAN be a key player for the Falcons. He took a couple of telling marks and palmed the ball superbly to his rovers. The other was former Richmond and Fitzroy utility player Noel Mugavin. He gave a superb display of his defensive qualities at centre-half-back and he too proved that he is a player of above average ability. I hope both Ramsay and Noel continue with their good form.

MY DAY OFF

FOOTNOTE: I would like to squash any rumours about me pulling on my boots again in the Sunday Football League. My name has been linked with South Perth, but my business commitments are such that I cannot afford the time.



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Sad tale in front of goals

BOY, did I put the kiss of death on leading goalkicker John Scott (and his team East Perth) with my wrap last week.

Scott, who was runner-up to Warren Ralph last year, is still the logical choice for the goalkicking honours this year.

However, other forwards have finished second one year and have failed to go on with it the next.

Remember big Mark Olsen from Swan Districts? He was only two goals behind the leader in 1978, but he was again beaten by two goals again in 1979 by East Fremantle's Kevin Taylor.

Another Swan, Eric Gorman, was runner-up three times — in 1962, 1965 and 1966 — but he never achieved top billing.

However, the title of the unluckiest full forward must go to former East Fremantle star Len Anderson. He was runner-up four times in succession, from 1957 to 1960.

In the 1930s, West Perth sharp shooter Ted Tyson was runner-up six times between his two successes in 1932 and 1938.

And what about Ted Holdsworth, of Swan Districts. His hard luck story reads that he was the first player to reach 100 goals for the 1937 season, but could only finish fifth. An injury forced him to watch as George Doig (East Fremantle), Tyson, Frank Hopkins (Claremont) and Bert Gook (Perth) all went past him.

Promoters dream

WITH so many unpredictable results highlighting the opening three rounds, 1984 has developed into a promoter's dream (except for Tiger supporters). I guess the ideal situation would have been for all teams to have won and lost the same number of games. Nothing like that has ever happened, but there are four cases where the seventh team has won eight games for the year. In one year, 1915, the sixth side, East Fremantle, won 11 games, three less than the leaders. My choice for the closest competition, however, goes to 1921 in a six team 15-game season.

The ladder read:

	W	L	D	Pts
E. Fremantle	10	5	—	40
East Perth	8	7	—	32
West Perth	7	7	1	30
Subiaco	7	8	—	28
S. Fremantle	6	8	1	26
Perth	6	9	—	24

BRAD'S RECORD?

IS Brad Hardie the first R & I Little League player to go on and become a senior club captain? Hardie played in South Fremantle's Little League team in 1973 and one of his team mates was Wayne Henwood.



Wayne Otway

ROYAL MILESTONES

Star East Perth players Wayne Otway and Grant Campbell will reach personal milestones in Monday's match against South Fremantle.

Campbell will play his 100th senior game for the Royals while Otway will reach his 150th league match. Included in Otway's tally is the 36 games he played for VFL club Essendon.

The diminutive rover began his career with the Royals in 1976 and played 110 games with the club before heading to the VFL in 1982.

In a surprise move he announced at the end of last year that he would return to WA, after two successful seasons with the Bombers.

Unfortunately he had to have an operation on his knee mid-way through last year and that caused him to miss the VFL grand final.

However, he did play in East Perth's 1978 premierships side.

Campbell burst onto the league football scene as a 16-year-old in 1978, but he missed selection in the Royals grand final team.

The following year he excelled as a wingman and earned State selection in that position.

After that he graduated to centre-half-forward and played with tremendous success in that position as well.

However, he then lost confidence and had been in the football doldrums until this season.



Grant Campbell

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INTERSTATE UPDATE

From our Eastern States correspondents



Vics look at new board

THE VFL is considering setting up an independent board of management to control football — similar to the newly-devised WAFL Board of Directors.

VFL president Dr Allen Aylett, fresh from a trip to WA to meet the new independent Board, says that the idea makes a lot of sense.

Dr Aylett said that an independent board was the next step if recommendations of the McKinsey report on the decision-making process of the League were "not good enough". The McKinsey report recommends greater delegation of authority to club general managers.



A VFL task force is currently looking at football in Victoria and will report in August or September about the need for changes.

"The seven-man independent board in Western Australia will be monitored closely by the VFL," said Dr Aylett.

"Although some WA clubs found it difficult at first to hand over the decision-making process, it has now been generally well accepted."

A newspaper survey among VFL clubs found strong support for the idea.

Collingwood general manager Peter Bahen summed up the thoughts of some clubs by saying:

"At present we've got 12 deadly enemies trying to work as a team."

WA PLAYER ROUND-UP

THIS is how players from the West performed in the VFL last week.

	Kicks	H/balls	Marks	Score
COLLINGWOOD				
Gary Shaw	15	4	5	1.0
MELBOURNE				
Peter Thorne	9	5	6	—
Alan Johnson	12	6	2	1.1
FOOTSCRAY				
Jim Sewell	5	6	2	—
Simon Beasley	7	2	5	5.2
Andrew Purser	10	16	8	—
Ian Williams	11	6	2	3.1
RICHMOND				
David Palm	9	8	5	—
Tim Gepp	6	10	2	—
John Annear	15	7	5	3.1
FITZROY				
Dean Turner	5	8	0	—
GEELONG				
Brian Peake	12	8	4	2.1
CARLTON				
Ken Hunter	11	2	7	0.1
Mark Maclure	12	5	5	1.0
Warren Ralph	6	0	4	3.0
Wayne Blackwell	7	7	4	0.1
NORTH MELBOURNE				
Steve McCann	10	8	5	—
Phil Krakouer	1	—	—	—
Ross Glendinning	15	9	7	1.2
Phil Kelly	10	6	2	3.0
Kevin Bryant	6	4	5	4.1
HAWTHORN				
Ken Judge	11	4	1	5.1
Rod Lester-Smith	7	4	1	1.2
SYDNEY SWANS				
Craig Holden	6	—	—	—
ESSENDON				
Leon Baker	10	3	8	—
Bill Duckworth	8	4	3	—
Tony Buhagiar	13	9	2	1.0
ST KILDA				
Phil Narkle	13	2	0	—
Alan Sidebottom	7	12	5	—
Phil Cronan	16	5	6	1.0
Alan Sidebottom had 35 hit-outs; Andrew Purser had 27 hit-outs; Steve McCann had 15 hit-outs.				

CHANGE TO DRAW

A major change has been made to the 1984 VFL draw with Rounds 20 and 22 being transposed.

Club general managers agreed to the change after a request from the Hawthorn Football Club.

The alteration followed advice from the Sydney Cricket Ground Trust that the SCG was not available for use by the Sydney Swans on Sunday, September 2.

The Swans had been drawn to play Hawthorn on that date but the SCG trust advised that as a rugby semi final, also drawn for September 2, would have first preference.

When it was discovered a double booking had been made and that rugby would be given preference, alternatives were suggested by the Swans which included playing the match on Friday night, August 31.

But Hawthorn believed those circumstances would be a disadvantage to both clubs with the finals to be played the following week.

• *The amended fixtures appear in our Budget National Fixtures and results segment on page 22.*

CATOGGIO MOVES

MUCH-travelled Victorian rover Vin Catoggio has opted out of the VFL and joined VFA club Prahran.

Catoggio, who played with Carlton, Melbourne and the Sydney Swans, was with Subiaco for two seasons in the mid-70s.

Former East Fremantle (and Fitzroy) defender Peter Keays has returned to Victoria to play with Springvale, in the VFA.

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Footybet

FOOTBALL betting has taken off in a big way in Melbourne.

A new betting system introduced by the Victorian TAB this season and known as "Footybet" attracted a staggering \$122,000 from investors for the first set of VFL fixtures.

The investment exceeded all expectations.

"We were hoping to start with around \$70,000 and build up to about \$100,000 by the end of the season," a TAB spokesman said.

"But it seems that the chance to bet on their own teams has given football followers a renewed interest in football betting."

"As more and more people become used to the system, the pools should get progressively bigger," the spokesman said.

The Footybet system operates on each VFL game.

Each match in a round is numbered from 1-6.

The client selects the match he wishes to invest on and marks the appropriate number on the TAB betting card.

The client then decides on the winning team, and selects the winning points range from the list displayed.

Each points range has a TAB number and this number is marked on the betting card.

Dividends have so far ranged from \$3.10 (for Collingwood's win over Melbourne) up to \$47.95 for Geelong's win over Fitzroy.

SA NEWS

Warrior fights his way back

YOUNG Woodville half back Steve Jacquier has defied all odds to play league football for the club.

He was a player of great promise in 1980 when he made his league debut for the Warriors. But in the last three seasons he has only played about 30 senior games because of knee problems.

Last year he decided he needed an operation and he was side-lined for about five months before making a comeback to league football.

At the time he was ready to resume coach Malcolm Blight was having a serious look at the futures of some players and Jacquier knew he had to perform.

After a couple of impressive runs in the reserves he was promoted to the senior side and now his promising career — which had been delayed for so long — looks set to take off again.

He has the ability to play in a variety of positions and as he grows in confidence he could be used as a ruck rover or half forward.

100 UP

SATURDAY'S round of fixtures saw Sturt player Peter Hargreaves play his 100th league game. He has struggled with injury throughout his career and it was a fine achievement for him to reach the milestone.

CORNES' FUTURE

RUMOURS were rife throughout last week that champion South Adelaide captain coach Graham Cornes would quit as a player before the end of the season.

Cornes, one of the legends of SA football, is playing a smaller role on the field each week and it looks like he is intent on concentrating on his coaching duties.

SPECIAL \$10,000 MATCHES

Melbourne television station, HSV 7, is providing \$60,000 prizemoney to the VFL this season for six pre-selected winner-take-all matches.

The Sydney Swans won \$10,000 in the first of the special matches when they beat Melbourne in Sydney.

Each team will get the opportunity to win a \$10,000 bonus.

The remaining five specially selected games (each with \$10,000 for the winners) are:

May 5: Hawthorn v Richmond (VFL Park).

June 2: St Kilda v Fitzroy (VFL Park).

June 23: Footscray v North Melbourne (VFL Park).

June 7: Collingwood v Carlton (VFL Park).

August 4: Geelong v Essendon (VFL Park).

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Billy Picken's No. 25 used to be the most popular Magpie jumper, but he's shifted to the Sydney Swans, creating somewhat of a problem for the Collingwood diehards. Whoever inherits his number will find himself one of the most popular players — until the children can entice Mum to pin a new number on the back of their jumpers and duffle-coats!

VFL BONUS

WEST Torrens have made a mockery of the belief that SA clubs are hopeless when it comes to recruiting players from the VFL.

Former St Kilda ruckman Jeff Sarau proved last week that he is going to be a key player for Torrens throughout the season when he gave a solid display against one of the State's leading ruckmen, Mick Redden.

Other VFL players recruited by Torrens in recent times include Darryl Schimmelbusch and Anton Grbac.

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MIGHTY MITCHELL

THE magical football of Claremont's Michael Mitchell was captured when he kicked his team's 11th goal. Mitchell had played on around the mark and nimbly ducked around two East Fremantle defenders before dropping the ball accurately on to his foot.

YET AGAIN

SOUTH Fremantle rookie Brett Little has joined that growing band of footballers who kicked a goal with their first kick in league football. He brought up his team's 15th goal soon after coming on as an interchange reserve. The goal was set up for him by fellow-Aboriginal whiz-kid Nicky Winmar and it was a very happy Little when he posted the major. Over at Claremont Oval, Tigers first-game player Brendon Kavanagh brought up Claremont's third goal of the game with his first kick in WA. But the nippy rover played 65 senior games with Port Melbourne in the VFA, so it wasn't quite his senior debut.

HELPING HAND

EAST Fremantle captain-coach Ron Alexander had mixed fortunes on Saturday with a poor first-half balanced up by a good second half.

His forward line play as the Sharks surged home after being as much as 29 points down was good constructive stuff — as newcomer Mark Sawh will confirm with his \$100 cheque from Town and Country WA for the goal-of-the-day on World of Sport. Sawh snapped a left-footer (one of two great snap goals from former Tasmanian) after Alexander had worked hard in a pack before shooting out a great low handpass to set up the goal.

HIGH FLYER

NEW Subiaco coach Haydn Bunton is obviously determined to make a full-forward out of former ruckman Laurie Keene. Although he only scored two goals last Saturday, one of them displayed the hallmarks of a champion full-forward. The lanky Keene led brilliantly and flew shoulder high over West Perth's Noel Mugavin. Without missing a beat, he recovered from the ground, played-on and booted a magnificent goal from the 50 metre line.

STILL BOUNCING

WEST Perth's Phil Bradmore has a reputation for his antics after scoring a goal. This season, goals have been few and far between, so there was great excitement when he scored his second for the year after he came on as an interchange player in the third quarter last Saturday. Standing about 20 metres out from goal he received the ball via a long handpass from Graeme Comerford. He faked a handpass to bluff an opponent, then shot truly. He then rushed over to Comerford and threw himself bodily into his team-mates arms before carrying on with his little war dance.

AERIAL PINGING

EAST Perth full-forward John Scott had a quiet day on Saturday, but he was still in there trying to create opportunities for his team-mates. On one occasion he was under pressure from the tight Perth defence and the ball bounced high, putting it almost out of reach. However he jumped up, knocked the ball out of the air right onto the chest of young half-forward Paul Higgins, who ran into an open goal.

SUPERSCORERS

JOHN SCOTT (East Perth) 21.2
CLINTON BROWN (Subiaco) . . . 15.7
BRAD HARDIE (South Frem) . . . 11.8
MICHAEL REA (Perth) 11.6
LAURIE KEENE (Subiaco) 11.3
DON HOLMES (Swan Dist) . . . 10.10
RON ALEXANDER (E. Fre) . . . 10.3
RUSSELL SPARKS (East Perth) 9.7
BRYAN COUSINS (Perth) 9.5
ROBERT WILEY (Perth) 9.4



Mighty Malaxos

CLAREMONT'S Steve Malaxos, the in-form player of the 1983 season, has started 1984 with an amazing burst.

The elusive centreman or ruck-rover has polled top votes in The West Australian's best-player list for Claremont in the opening three games.

That effort makes him a clear leader in the Football Budget's Sheraton-Perth Hotel player-of-the-year with a maximum of 18 votes.

It is the first time that a club player has polled so perfectly to open a season and it seems certain that Malaxos is on line to repeat his many award victories of last season.

The Tigers star is hoping, however, that the umpires will notice his good form this year. Last season, despite topping most media awards, Malaxos only received 10 votes from the umpires.



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STARS OF THE DAY

MARK HANN (Claremont): Showed courage to come back on in the last quarter after suffering an agonising knee injury. He played strongly all day on a wing and finished with 13 kicks and five handballs — and he was off the ground for almost a quarter.

ROD ALDERTON (West Perth): A superb aerialist, he has been in great form on a wing this season and he helped give the Falcons midfield ascendancy. He took eight marks and had 11 kicks and 10 handpasses.

RHETT BAYNES (Perth): Was one of the shining lights in Perth's crushing victory and is enjoying his best season in league football. Was the dominant ruckman on the ground on Saturday with 24 ruck knocks, seven kicks, four marks and four handpasses.

NOEL CARTER (South Fremantle): The busiest rover afield in the Bulldog's convincing win over Swan Districts. Has found a new lease of life this year and had 27 kicks, seven marks and six handpasses in Saturday's match.

These four stars of last Saturday's WAFL matches won a dinner for two at Nick Lekias'...

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Dear Mother Brown,

In reference to your remarks last week about the many appearances by my son Peter on the oval during the derby, I wish to defend his actions.

My son is the only WAFL runner who works with a playing coach (Ron Alexander), and because your son (Malcolm) misled both East Fremantle and the public by not placing his team in accordance with publicised team places, many messages had to be carried around the ground.

Further, Ron Alexander uses only the authorised runner and not the many dubiously dressed water carriers that other clubs use.

Yours sincerely,
Mother Gianoli

PS: I am a South Fremantle supporter.

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MOTHER BROWN

Now, let's be fair....

ON MY way home from the football on Saturday I tuned into one of the local radio stations and I was disturbed to hear a comment passed about Claremont ruck-rover Allen Daniels. The voice said that Daniels must have gone to South Africa for a heart transplant during the week because he had been reported for unduly rough play. I think that sort of comment is best kept out of football because any player who dons a jumper for a league club and runs on to the ground has got courage. I thought it was totally unnecessary.

SORT THIS OUT

SOMETHING has to be sorted out at Subiaco Oval when a club loses a home game to league headquarters. South Fremantle found themselves in that situation when they played Swan Districts last week at WA's top football venue. The problem was that people who went to the game as members of the South Fremantle Football Club had to argue with the gate-keepers to use their normal membership pass as admission into the ground. A part of any club membership is that you get into home games free. It was embarrassing for some people who had to stand outside the group for up to 20 minutes before getting the okay to move through to watch the football. Something has to be sorted out to ensure that club members are saved from the embarrassment in the future.



WELL DONE BRAD

I WOULD like to take this opportunity to congratulate Brad Hardie on his 100th league game last Saturday. There aren't too many players who reach the milestone when just 21 years of age. Brad has been a top player for South Fremantle over the past few years. Aside from being a key player for the Bulldogs, he has been an ornament to the game and I only hope that we see the star utility player in action in WA football for many years to come.

WHERE ARE YOU?

WHAT a great round of fixtures we saw last weekend with winners extremely hard to pick. The four matches all promised to be tight affairs, but the crowds were again disappointing. This is something I have never been able to understand. On Saturday the weather was immaculate, but only at one game was there a crowd of over 10,000 people. In addition to the expected close results and the unpredictability of the matches, we must not forget that we are the current Australian champions. I don't know what we can do to improve our attendances except to pray for further close results.

HOW THEY PERFORMED

Statistical Roundup

A progressive season tally of the top 20 players in the categories of kicks, marks, hit outs, handballs and disposals.

KICKS			DISPOSALS		
PLAYER	CLUB	TOTAL	PLAYER	CLUB	TOTAL
Peter Spencer	East Perth	82	Peter Spencer	East Perth	122
Robert Wiley	Perth	70	Stephen Malaxos	Claremont	106
Phil Lamb	Subiaco	70	Don Langsford	Swan Districts	90
Stephen Malaxos	Claremont	69	Bryan Cousins	Perth	88
Don Langsford	Swan Districts	68	Rod Alderton	West Perth	86
Bryan Cousins	Perth	66	Phil Lamb	Subiaco	85
Barry Kimberley	Swan Districts	65	Wayne Otway	East Perth	83
Wayne Otway	East Perth	62	Robert Wiley	Perth	83
Allen Daniels	Claremont	58	Murray Wrensted	East Fremantle	79
Noel Carter	Sth Fremantle	57	Neil Taylor	Subiaco	79
Peter Featherby	Subiaco	56	Michael Mitchell	Claremont	78
Rod Alderton	West Perth	55	Paul Vasoli	Sth Fremantle	78
David Hart	Sth Fremantle	54	Greg Wilkinson	Subiaco	78
Brett Yorgey	Perth	52	Barry Kimberley	Swan Districts	77
Russell Sparks	East Perth	51	Russell Sparks	East Perth	75
Neil Taylor	Subiaco	51	Noel Carter	Sth Fremantle	75
Don Holmes	Swan Districts	50	Peter Featherby	Subiaco	73
Greg Carpenter	East Perth	47	Allen Daniels	Claremont	72
Michael Mitchell	Claremont	46	David Hart	Sth Fremantle	70
Paul Vasoli	Sth Fremantle	46	Dwayne Lamb	Subiaco	70

MARKS			HANDBALLS		
PLAYER	CLUB	TOTAL	PLAYER	CLUB	TOTAL
Rod Alderton	West Perth	31	Peter Spencer	East Perth	40
Peter Spencer	East Perth	26	Murray Wrensted	East Fremantle	38
Robert Wiley	Perth	24	Stephen Malaxos	Claremont	37
Stephen Malaxos	Claremont	22	Greg Wilkinson	Subiaco	34
Grant Campbell	East Perth	21	Brian Perrin	West Perth	33
Barry Kimberley	Swan Districts	21	Michael Mitchell	Claremont	32
Phil Lamb	Subiaco	21	Shane Ellis	East Fremantle	32
Glen Houl	East Fremantle	20	Paul Vasoli	Sth Fremantle	32
Paul Wilson	Subiaco	20	Dwayne Lamb	Subiaco	32
Jeff Cassidy	East Fremantle	19	Rod Alderton	West Perth	31
Brent Hutton	Swan Districts	19	Lindsay Kanther	Claremont	29
Craig Edwards	Sth Fremantle	19	Richard Dennis	East Perth	28
Clinton Brown	Subiaco	19	Neil Taylor	Subiaco	28
Allen Daniels	Claremont	18	Brad Shine	Swan Districts	26
Rhett Baynes	Perth	18	Dean Warwick	West Perth	26
Noel Carter	Sth Fremantle	18	Roger Kerr	East Fremantle	25
Neil Fotheringham	Subiaco	18	Paul Higgins	East Perth	25
John Scott	East Perth	17	Kim Fancote	Perth	25
Rod Barrett	Sth Fremantle	17	Paul Wilson	Subiaco	25
Greg Wilkinson	Subiaco	17	Tony Papotto	East Perth	24

HIT OUTS					
PLAYER	CLUB	TOTAL	PLAYER	CLUB	TOTAL
Paul Harding	East Fremantle	84	Ron Alexander	East Fremantle	19
Rhett Baynes	Perth	64	Malcolm Bennett	West Perth	19
Mick Johns	Swan Districts	58	Phil Scott	Subiaco	18
Frank Wilson	East Perth	45	Barrie Quirk	Subiaco	17
David O'Connell	Claremont	44	Tom Smith	East Perth	16
Craig Edwards	Sth Fremantle	43	Peter Sartori	Swan Districts	16
Craig Nelson	West Perth	39	Jon Dorotich	Sth Fremantle	16
Ramsay Bogunovich	West Perth	34	Dean Farmer	Claremont	13
Wayne Simms	Perth	32	Craig Hoyer	Swan Districts	12
Peter Ashworth	Subiaco	20	Baden Harper	Claremont	11

Top performers from around the nation

This tally board gives individual kick, mark and handball totals for the leading players in each of the major football States. Points are allocated on a basis of 1 for a kick, 2 for a handpass and 3 for a mark to evaluate a players consistency.

Each week, the player polling the highest tally of points under this system wins a dinner for two at Isabella's Restaurant, which is part of the Chateau Commodore Hotel in Hay Stret, Perth.

This week's winner:

Peter Bosustow
(Perth)



PLAYER	CLUB	KICKS	MARKS	H/BALLS	PTS
Peter Spencer	East Perth	82	26	40	240
Rod Alderton	West Perth	55	31	31	210
Stephen Malaxos	Claremont	69	22	37	209
Robert Wiley	Perth	70	24	13	168
Phil Lamb	Subiaco	70	21	15	163
Greg Wilkinson	Subiaco	44	17	34	163
Barry Kimberley	Swan Dist	65	21	12	152
Paul Vasoli	Sth Frem	46	13	32	149
Don Langsford	Swan Dist	68	12	22	148
Noel Carter	Sth Frem	57	18	18	147
Grant Campbell	East Perth	41	21	20	144
Bryan Cousins	Perth	66	11	22	143
Allen Daniels	Claremont	58	18	14	140
Michael Mitchell	Claremont	46	10	32	140
Russell Sparks	East Perth	51	13	24	138
Peter Featherby	Subiaco	56	16	17	138
Brad Shine	Swan Dist	43	14	26	137
Neil Taylor	Subiaco	51	10	28	137
Paul Mifka	West Perth	45	16	22	137
Paul Wilson	Subiaco	23	20	25	133



PLAYER	CLUB	KICKS	MARKS	H/BALLS	PTS
Greg Williams	Geelong	51	13	45	180
Wayne Johnston	Carlton	68	19	26	177
Terry Daniher	Essendon	40	30	21	172
Gerard Healy	Melbourne	68	17	25	169
Chris Burton	Footscray	71	16	22	163
Tony Shaw	C'wood	48	16	33	162
Rick Barham	C'wood	47	22	24	161
Mark Lee	Richmond	36	19	34	161
Peter Moore	Melbourne	46	20	25	156
Greg Phillips	C'wood	35	19	30	152



PLAYER	CLUB	KICKS	MARKS	H/BALLS	PTS
Neil Craig	Sturt	48	25	40	203
Craig Bradley	Port Adel	54	16	40	182
Stephen Kernahan	Glennelg	49	32	18	181
Paul Martin	Sth Adel	54	18	35	178
Michael Aish	Norwood	53	19	33	176
Ian Borchard	West Adel	35	19	41	174
Grant Fielke	West Adel	62	21	23	171
Michael Redden	Nth Adel	24	27	32	169
Martin Leslie	Port Adel	49	26	18	163
D. Schimmelbusch	W. Torrens	53	12	37	163

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SANDOVER MEDAL GUIDE

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April 14	West Australian	Weekend News	Sunday Times	Channel 7	6PR	6KY	6IX	6WF	ABC TV	Umpires
S. Frem v Swan Dist.	Geoff Christian: Winmar (SF) N. Carter (SF) Langsford (SD)	Robbie Burns: Winmar Hardie (SF) Hetherington (SD)	Ray Wilson: Winmar Barrett (SF) Hardie	John Rogers: Winmar Hardie Barrett	Oscar Howard: Winmar Langsford N. Carter	Les Mumme: Winmar Hardie Langsford	Phil Mulcahy: Winmar Langsford Hardie	Tony Parentich: Hardie Vigona (SF) Langsford	Grant Dorrington: Hardie Langsford Vigona	Phillips/ O'Reilly (Reg Salis emergency)
Claremont v East Frem.	Rob Wainwright: Malaxos (C) Harding (EF) Mitchell (C)	Mike Thomson: Malaxos Harding Mitchell	Colin Hopkins: Malaxos Mitchell Ellis (EF)	Marty McDonnell: Harding Malaxos Valli (EF)	Alan East: Ellis Mitchell Malaxos	Colin Hopkins: Malaxos Mitchell Ellis	Frank Sparrow: Harding Malaxos Rankin (EF)	Mick Malone: Malaxos Valli Green (EF)	Keith Slater: Rankin D. O'Connell (C) Malaxos	Austin/ Hearne
West Perth v Subiaco	Tim Gossage: D. Lamb (S) Mifka (WP) Perrin (WP)	Rod White: Perrin Leishman (S) Menaglio (WP)	Rod Lane: Perrin Mugavin (WP) P. Lamb (S)	John Watts: Mugavin Wilkinson (S) Perrin	Bob Hicks: Mugavin Wilkinson Perrin	John Duckworth: Perrin Mugavin D. Lamb	David Rowe: Perrin Menaglio B. Taylor (S)	David Dyson: Mugavin D. Lamb Menaglio	David Dyson: Mugavin D. Lamb Menaglio	Ball/ Johnson
Perth v East Perth	David Marsh: Wiley (P) Baynes (P) Bosustow (P)	Mario D'Orazio: Wiley Bosustow Garbin (P)	Gary Stocks: Wiley Mumford (P) Cousins (P)	Wayne Harvey: Wiley McGuire (P) Cousins	Peter van Helden: Wiley Cousins Mumford	Joe Fanchi: Wiley Garbin (P) Yorgey (P)	Chris Mitsopoulos: Wiley Bosustow Garbin	Eric Sarich: Wiley Bosustow Spalding (P)	Ian Brayshaw: Baynes Bosustow Wiley	Lendich/ Morris

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We salute more retiring champs

LAST week Westside Football gave a fitting tribute to some past champions who had retired from football over the summer.

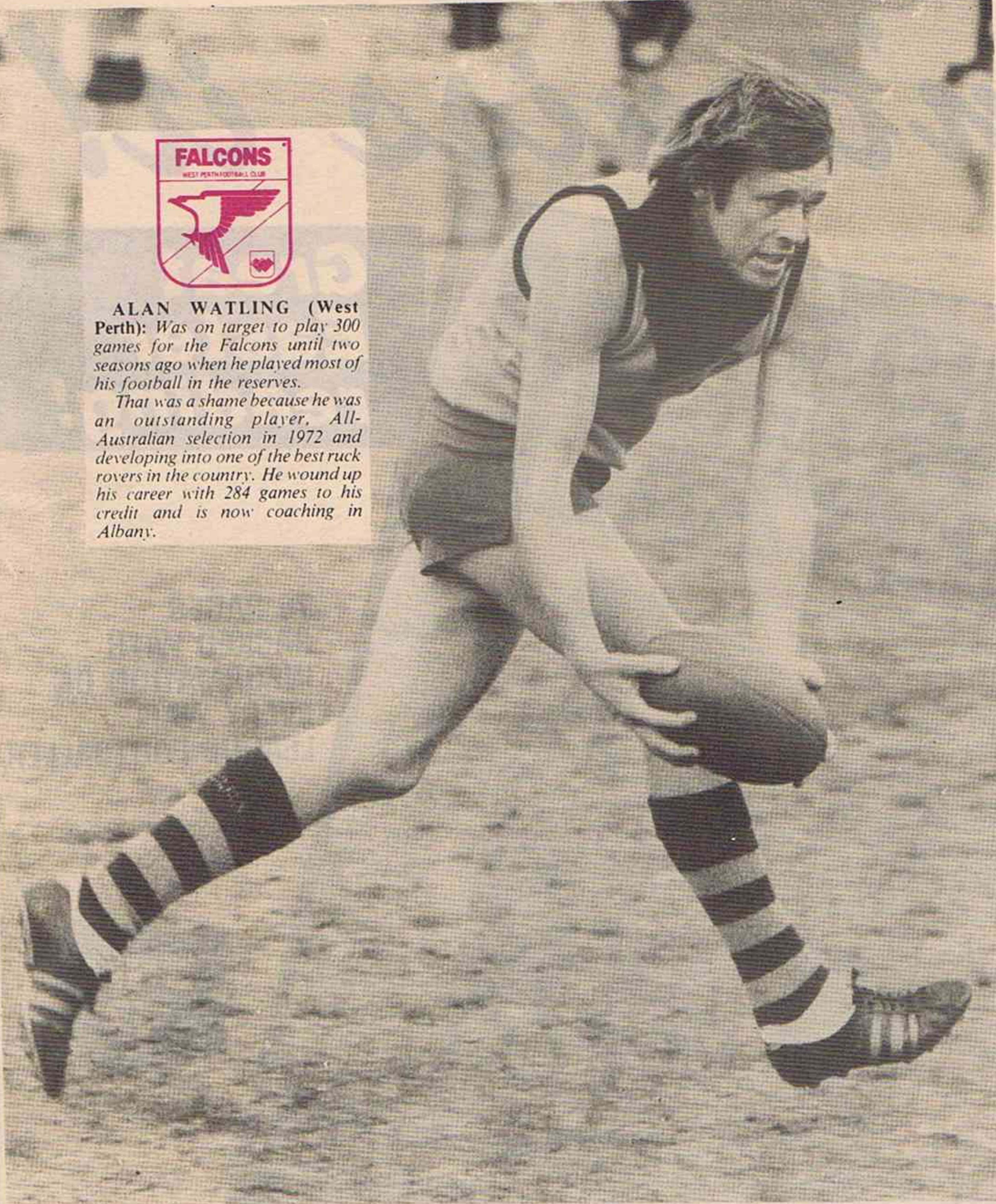
This week we conclude that tribute when we look at another group of players who will not be representing clubs at league level.

This select group gave football fans in the west some excellent memories and Westside Football takes this opportunity to give them thanks for some wonderful memories.



ALAN WATLING (West Perth): Was on target to play 300 games for the Falcons until two seasons ago when he played most of his football in the reserves.

That was a shame because he was an outstanding player. All-Australian selection in 1972 and developing into one of the best ruck rovers in the country. He wound up his career with 284 games to his credit and is now coaching in Albany.



GEOFF O'BRIEN (South Fremantle): A pacy wingman who was plagued by injury throughout his career and eventually decided to hang up his boots even though he was one of the key players at Fremantle Oval.



He was one of the fastest men in league football, but his biggest problem was a series of leg injuries. He played only 90 games in eight seasons with the Bulldogs because of those problems.



ROGER CROUCH (East Fremantle): An under-rated half-back who tallied 78 games with the Sharks before deciding to move to the Great Northern National Football League to begin a coaching career.

One of the most unobtrusive players in the game, he always went about his task in a workmanlike manner. He played the percentage game to perfection and opposition forwards had to earn their kicks.



TOM PEARCE (Claremont): Surprisingly announced he was retiring from league football on the eve of the season. Injuries had taken their toll on the specialist back position. He was a member of the Tigers 1981 premiership team. He was committed to the team's cause.

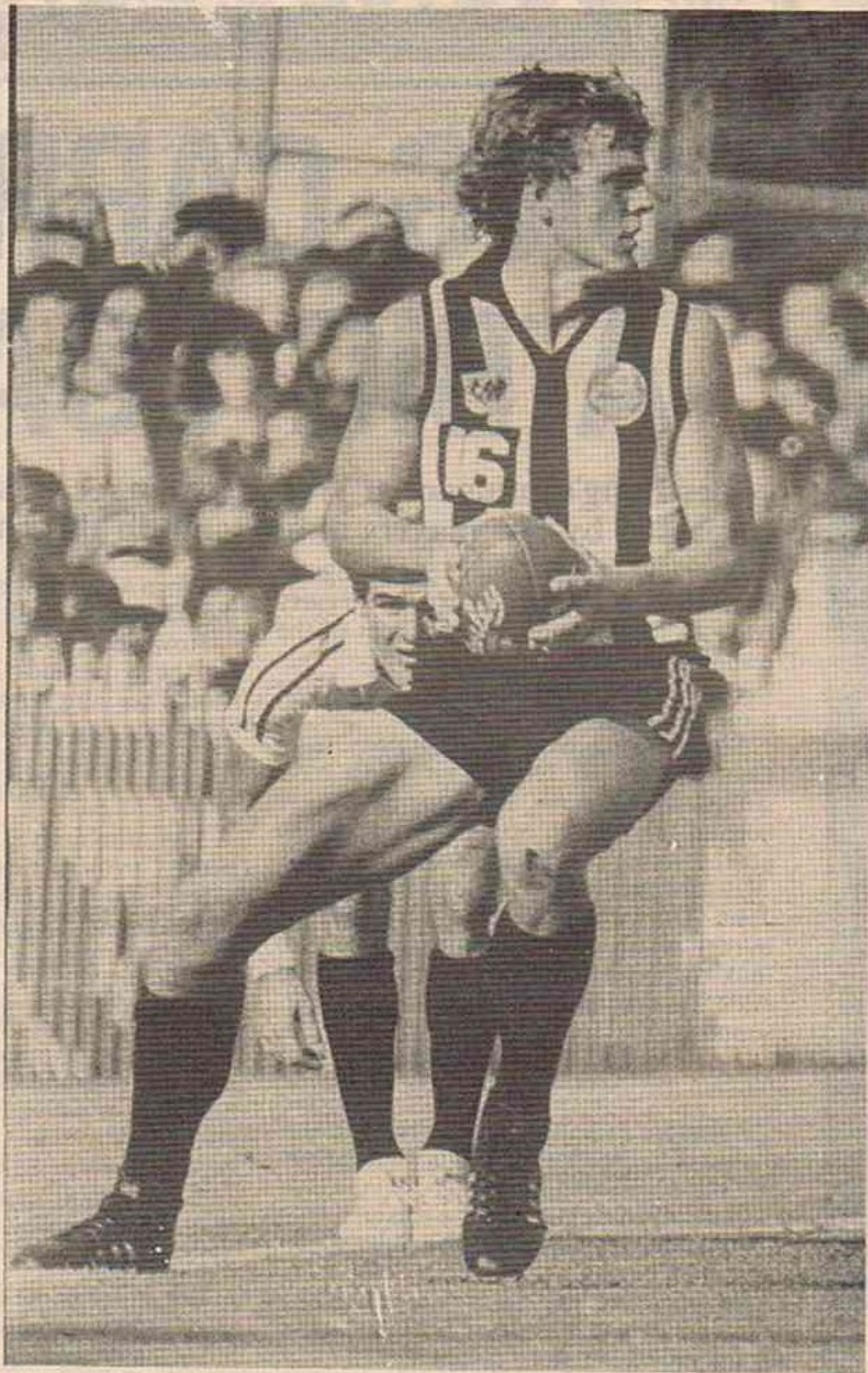
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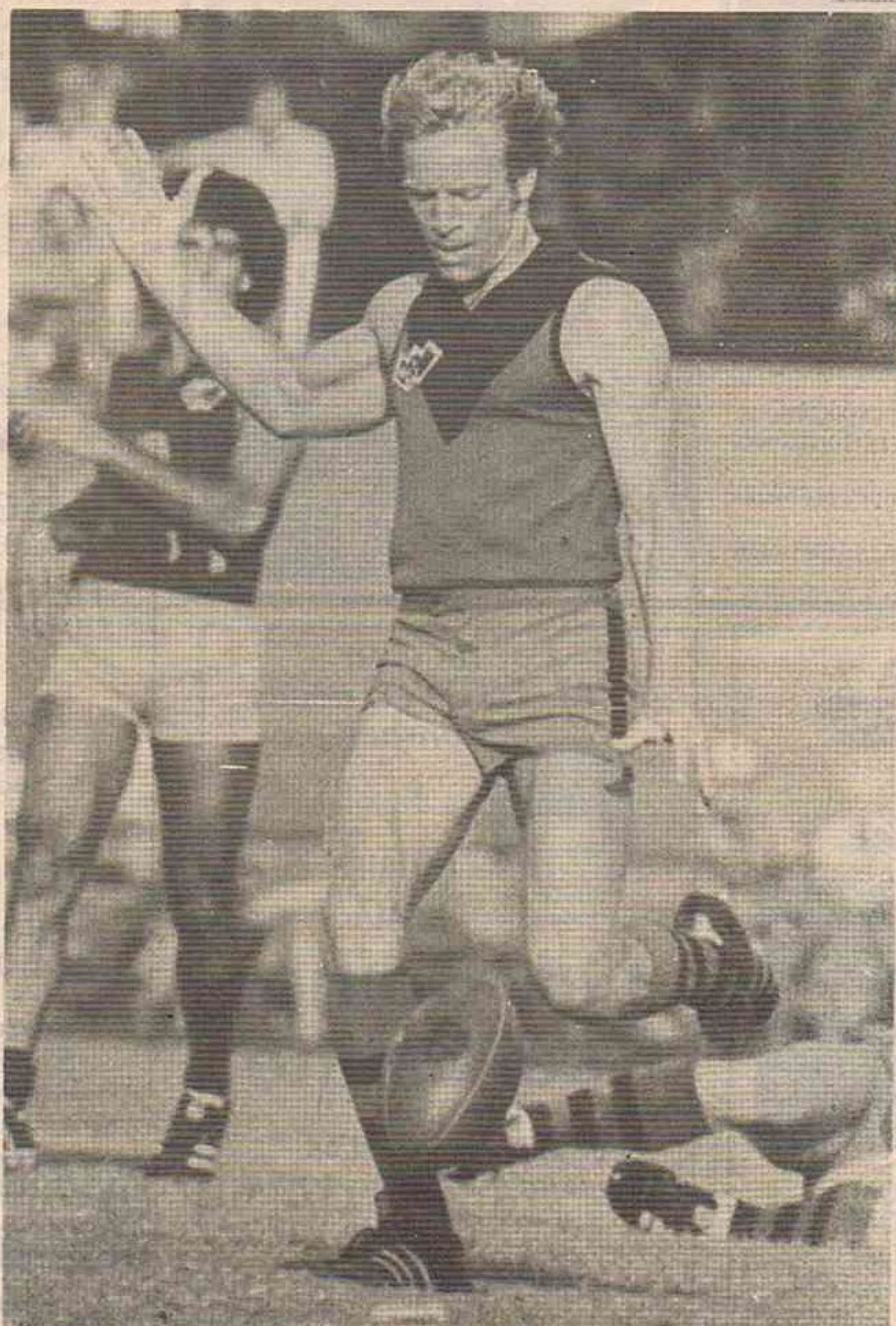


ALAN CRANSBERG (Swan Districts): Curtailed his career when he was at his prime, just two years after he was under consideration as a possible State centre-half-back.

He played a vital role in his club's last two premierships and his presence will be missed at Bassendean this year. Took a job in the country and that effectively finished his league career.



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NEIL RANDALL (South Fremantle): Had his best football behind him when he joined the Bulldogs from Subiaco in 1980 after playing 152 games with the Lions, mainly from a half-forward flank.

But Randall put in some top matches for South Fremantle until he was forced to retire with a broken jaw last year.



LEFT: ALEX HAMILTON (East Perth): He was unlucky to finish his league career just three games short of earning life membership at East Perth with 150 games. Had he not been forced to stay at Subiaco for an additional season (when they refused to clear him) he would have reached his target.

Hamilton earned a reputation as one of the true gentlemen of football; a magnificent kick who gave East Perth and Subiaco great service as a rover.

**“Would you go
an Export mate?”**





THE LEADERS

In this series GARY STOCKS speaks with the on field leaders of the eight league clubs

FONG CARRIES A BIG LOAD

Les Fong's influence at West Perth in recent seasons has been surpassed by few players at any club in this State.

With senior men bowing out at regular intervals it has been left to the negetty rover to carry almost 100 per cent of the responsibility.

And no one could deny that he has done a magnificent job.

Since taking over the captaincy from Geoff Taylor in 1980, West Perth have struggled for success, but Fong has always been at the bottom of the packs trying to lift the young players around him.

Before this season at least he had big John Duckworth to take some of the burden off his shoulders, but now he has to look to players like Peter Menaglio, Rod Alderton and Geoff Hendriks to give him support.

CHALLENGE

Alderton, in particular, has risen to the challenge in the absence of Duckworth, but one still feels sorry for Fong.

In the opening game of the season it was obvious that having to do the bulk of the work was beginning to take its toll.

He seemed to lack the sparkle which has seen him win his club's fairest and best award in the last two seasons.

And it is not going to get any easier for 'Choppy' Fong.

The Falcons are at the stage where they need to rejuvenate their playing strengths and with them losing games regularly the injuries Fong normally accepts will hurt that little bit more.

When a club is winning it is easier to bear the pain and go out there every week.

However, Fong epitomises toughness and he is the ideal man. Those qualities should see him remain a part of what will hopefully be a West Perth resurgence.

LEGEND

The diminutive Falcons skipper has proven to be a fine leader and with 205 games to his credit he has become something of a legend at Leederville Oval.

Not just because he has tallied over 200 matches, but through the manner in which he has played all those games.

The term champion is used far too freely by the media and football fans these days, but Fong is worthy of the appraisal.

Amazingly he had not won a club fairest and best award until two seasons ago and he has never polled that well in Sandover Medal voting.

But Fong is the type of man who does not show a great deal of concern about individual honours.

Perhaps it is that outlook which earns so much respect from other league players and coaches. He plays for one cause - the blue and red jumper he wears on his back.

ANGRY

And if he happens to play a bad game he gets angry at his performance. Not because he isn't going to pick up three votes, but because he has let his team mates down.

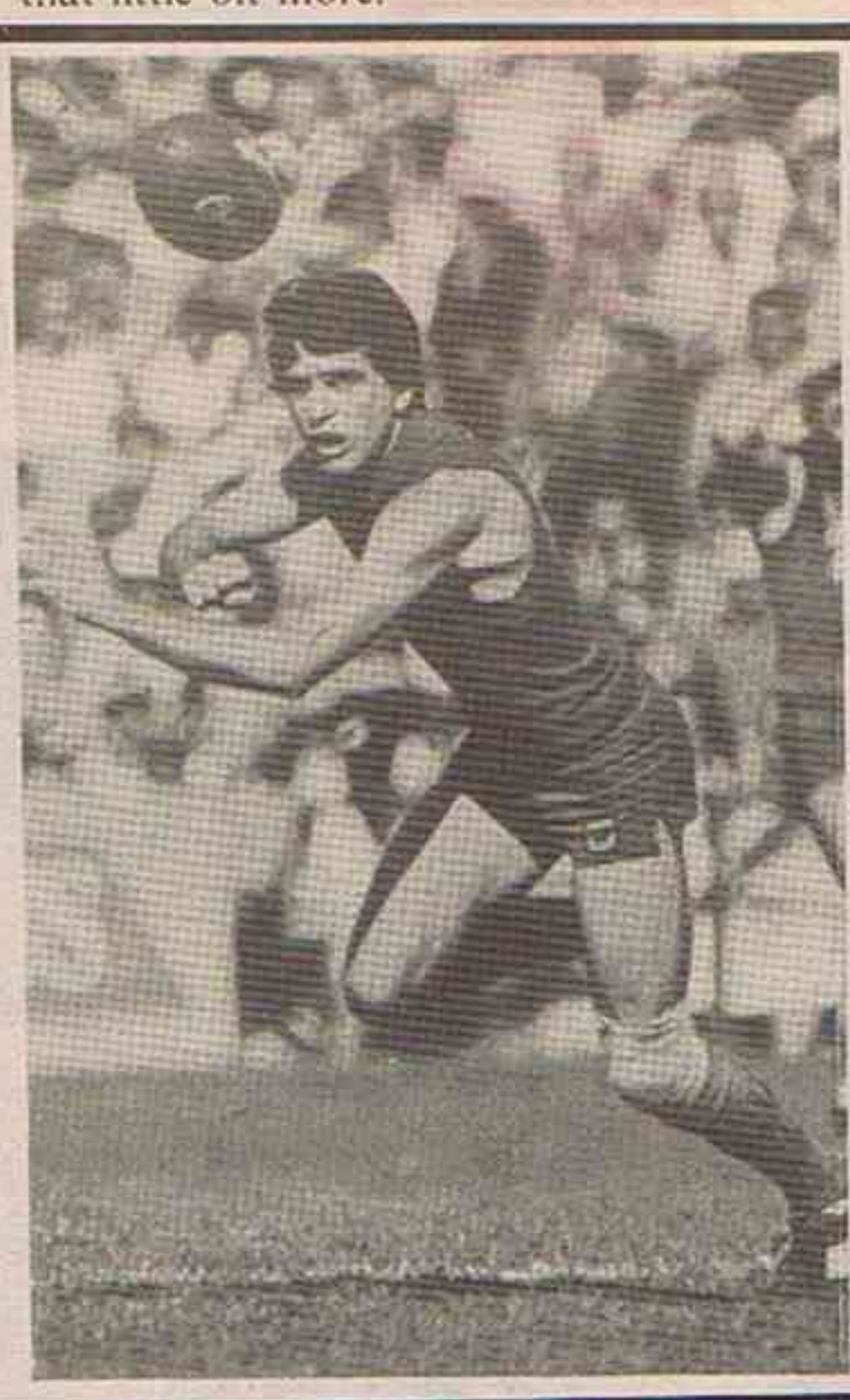
He is the ideal leader for the Falcons at present.

They need a man of great character and he is certainly that. They need a captain who leads by example and he is that. So the Falcons can look confidently to a climb up the ladder, so long as Fong can continue his high standards.

And when the young players at the club begin to show their true ability and the Falcons start winning games regularly, every West Perth fan can look to Fong and say 'Thanks Choppy'.



ABOVE: Les Fong in action. RIGHT: Fans pay tribute to their hero when he reached his 200th game last year.



Menaglio takes No. 2 role

PETER Menaglio was the logical choice to take over the vice captaincy position with the Falcons this season.

Like Fong he is a player who sets a fine example for his younger team mates. Since making his league debut in 1977 he has been one of the Falcons most consistent contributors.

With 122 games to his credit he is one of the most experienced players at Leederville and he must give Fong the on-field support he needs.

Judging by past performances there is little doubt he will live up to those expectations. Menaglio has been troubled by injury in recent times, but his interstate performances are evidence of the ability he has.

He won the club's fairest and best award in 1981 and if he can shake the injury problems this season it could be a toss-up between himself and Fong.

Together with Fong he has a vital role to play for the Falcons and he is mature enough to accept the responsibility.

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Claremont ruck rover Allen Daniels found himself in the hot seat in this passage of play against the Sharks last week, but that was only the start of his problems. He has constantly been in the news this season and he found himself facing the tribunal on Monday night on a charge of undue rough play. Fortunately for the Tigers he was found not guilty.



SUNDAY SCENE

Kim Hagdorn's weekly round-up of Sunday League matches.

GILLESPIE THE INSPIRATION

KALAMUNDA confirmed their tag as big improvers in 1984 with a convincing 62-point win over last year's grand finalists, Kelmscott in the opening Sunday League fixtures.

Playing on their home ground before a large crowd, Kalamunda produced strong team football to indicate that they will be a force to be reckoned with in the coming weeks.

Kalamunda coach Steve Gillespie was a top performer, but the former Swan Districts defender is hampered by a back injury and will retain his services for only the important games.

Gillespie's presence was felt by the Kelmscott defenders. The rugged approach from the former full-back resulted in a number of goals. Gillespie himself kicked four, with resting rover Ian Mercer booting five, many resulting from Gillespie's play around the goals.

Former East Perth and Perth centreliner John McGuire turned in a solid performance for his adopted club.

While Kalamunda lived up to their expected improvement, Armadale didn't.

The Demons were expected to show marked improvement with strong recruiting but went down to the professionalism of Gosnells by 38 points.

Ross Leipold could have made the margin greater — his 5-8 was enough to make him one of Gosnell's best, but was not up to his usual high standard of goal-front disposal.

Much of Gosnell's forward moves were initiated through the dominant game at centre-half-back from former WAFWA player Ron Lilley, clearly the best afield.

Armadale gained great value from recruit-of-the-year Brian Cook.

Lloyd Wilkes will long remember his first game against his old club. He started on the interchange bench but came on after half time, kicking four goals to be Armadale's best in the second half.

BAD KICKING

Wanneroo turned on all their talents to win the clash of the champions by 46 points — with Kenwick virtually kicking themselves out of the game with 11-26 to the Roo's 21-11.

The highlight of the day was the clash between the two most talented wingmen in the league, Robbie Sailor (Wanneroo) and Kenwick's Alan Boundry.

Boundry was backed up by Kevin Beale, Arthur Jago and David Rhodes while better players for the Roos were Andrew Chater, Paul Hyde and tall South Perth recruit Kevin Dale.

Willetton showed they are to be a force this year with a tremendous first-up win over premierships Canning.

The 42-point win was Willetton's first over the Canning Tigers.

Kim Barrett was given the unenviable task of watching former South Fremantle star, and now Canning coach, Wayne

Delmenico and came through with best-on-ground honours.

Canning's best player was Charlie Schuling, who discovered after the game that he had broken an arm during the second quarter.

Mandurah displayed a real vote of confidence in coach Ross Bradley's arduous pre-season programme with a fine team effort to down Kwinana by 61 points.

Bradley showed the way with eight goals from half-forward and he gained great support from rover Paul Gillam who booted five goals.

In a heated match at Shirley Strickland Oval, Applecross picked up the valuable points over Fremantle by 43 points.

Six Fremantle players will face the tribunal this week after incidents ranging from disputing decisions to abusive language.

ARGUED

While the Port players argued with the men in white the Hawks played a brand of football that suggests they can be a force in this competition.

Ian Crawford was in superb form with eight goals to half time, but a collision with a goal post left him with 12 stitches to the forehead.

Maddington (led by Noel Knight) fought out the closest result of the day to down arch-rivals Thornlie by 16 points.

South Perth crushed Osborne Park with the biggest margin of the day.

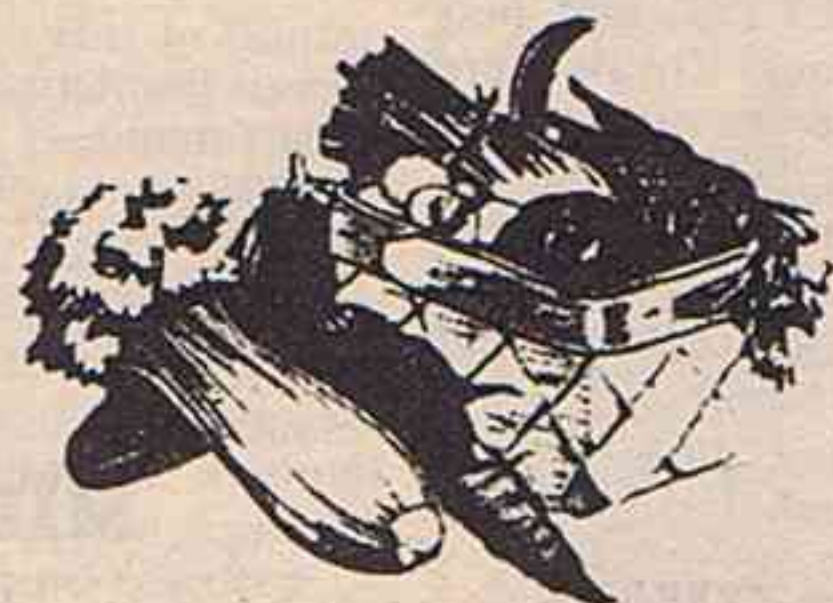
At half time the Osborne Park Saints had kicked 5-2 to trail the Tigers by only one point. But the Saints had run their race and with Gary Diver in fine form at half back, Kevin Morgan's six goals and the nullifying game Dick Peel played over Norm Uncle, the Tigers dominated the second half.

LEAGUE PREMIERSHIP TABLE

Club	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
South Perth	1	1	—	150	43	325.58	4
Kalamunda	1	1	—	161	99	162.62	4
Willetton	1	1	—	123	81	151.85	4
Mandurah	1	1	—	181	120	150.83	4
Wanneroo	1	1	—	137	92	148.91	4
Gosnells	1	1	—	118	80	147.50	4
Applecross	1	1	—	151	108	139.81	4
Maddington	1	1	—	139	123	113.00	4
Thornlie	1	—	1	123	139	88.48	0
Fremantle	1	—	1	108	151	71.52	0
Armadale	1	—	1	80	118	67.79	0
Kenwick	1	—	1	92	137	67.15	0
Kwinana	1	—	1	120	181	66.29	0
Canning	1	—	1	81	123	65.85	0
Kelmscott	1	—	1	99	161	61.49	0
Osborne Park	1	—	1	43	140	30.71	0
Rockingham							BYE

GENERAL BYE

There is a general bye in Sunday League matches this weekend due to the Easter break.



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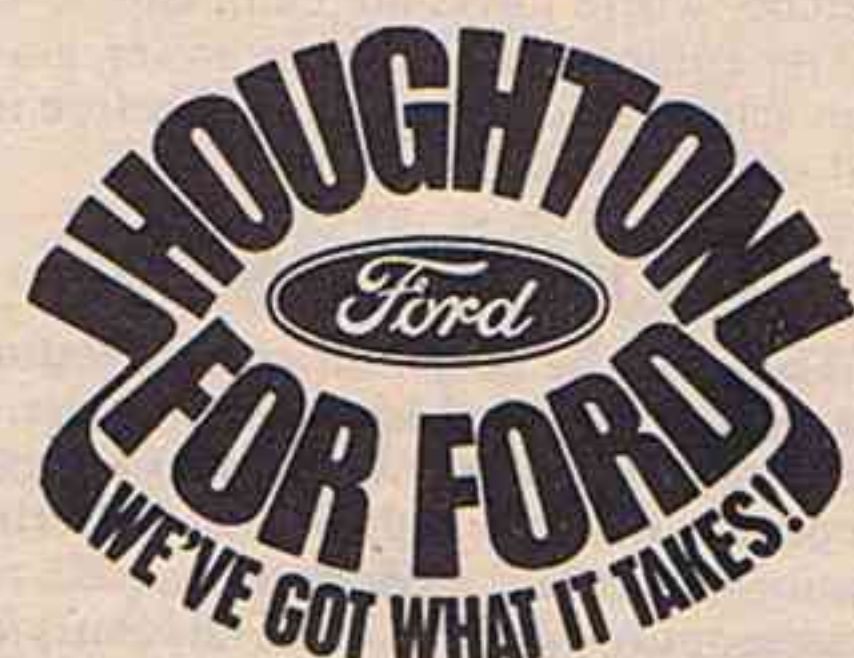
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INTER-DISTRICTS PLAN FAILS

THE fate of the much-talked-about 17s inter-districts competition was decided last week when a special meeting of all league general managers and development officers went against the idea.

Although the proposal was rejected, all the junior councils were at least relieved to finally get the matter resolved.

It had been the main subject of discussion at all the WAFL Junior Council Board meetings throughout the football off-season.

The proposal was to run an elite 17s competition for at least seven games, and up to 14 games, during the 1984 season.

The only junior councils who were committed to the competition were Swan Districts and East Fremantle.

Both will now probably arrange extra 17s games throughout this season between themselves.

NEW PLAN

The delegation at last week's league headquarters meeting talked about cutting junior football off at 16 years of age as from next season.

Most clubs were in favour of the idea and it now seems a formality for it to come into fruition.

The plan is to have a specially designed competition for 17-year-olds by 1985, which will come under the control of the WAFL and not junior councils.

For this season at least, the 17s inter-districts will be held over the three days of the Foundation Day long weekend in June on the same format as the 12s, 14s and 16s.

CIG SHIELD EXPANDS

Sixty-two high schools, including 11 country schools, have nominated for this season's CIG Shield competition.

The country schools are Nortnam, Cunderdin, Beverley, Bruce Rock, Southern Cross, Kalgoorlie, Kambalda, Pinjarra, Bunbury, Collie, and John Wilcox in Geraldton.

The WAFL will distribute \$2000 for travel expenses between the country schools. It is the first time the country schools have entered the CIG Shield competition, which was inaugurated last season.

East Perth, South Fremantle, and Claremont are the three league clubs which will not have country school representation.

KNOCKOUT

Swan Districts, East Fremantle, and Claremont each have eight metropolitan schools nominated in its club zone. Subiaco has seven nominations, South Fremantle and Perth have six, and West Perth and East Perth have four.

Last season 48 metropolitan teams competed in the CIG Shield.

The 1983 title holders, Belmont High School, have re-nominated.

Each league club must come up with a zone champion by June 22 so the finals can start.

All CIG Shield games are knockout matches where losers are eliminated.

The competition, run for lower grade high school students, will begin before the end of the first school term.

GENERAL BYE

There will be no junior council fixtures played this weekend because of Easter.

Even Subiaco's Wanneroo Junior Football League and South Suburban Junior Football Association will rest despite only starting their seasons last weekend.

WIN A FOOTY!

HEY kids... How would you like to win a magnificent Chesson football? It's simple. Just enter our "Who Am I" quiz on this page every week and you could be the lucky winner of a great club-colours footy.

This week's question: WHO AM I?

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I am number one in my club.

Send your entry on the back of an envelope — with your Name and Address of course, and the team you support — to: Junior Quiz, Westside Football, 215 Oxford Street, Leederville 6007.

Entries close every Tuesday.

The answer to last week's quiz was Steve Richardson and the lucky winner is Darrell Liddelow of Lathlain.



IN UNIFORM

The West Perth Junior Council are keeping in uniform with its parent league club and has adopted the Falcon as a logo from this season.

TURN TO THE WHISTLE

The WAFL is running a campaign to attract more umpires to junior football. It recently launched a poster entitled 'Join the centre circle' to encourage prospective men in white.

If anyone is considering taking up umpiring, or needs more information, they can contact any of the 10 metropolitan Umpire Advisors listed below.

Barry Johnson 349 5991 (Claremont JFC), Max Freeman 330 5341 (East Fremantle JFC), John Marrapodi 271 7507 (East Perth JFC), Mike Fielder 362 2294 (Perth JFC), John Briffa 335 5960 (South Fremantle JFC), Jim Turley 405 3529 (Subiaco's Wanneroo JFL), Gary Drew 274 4782 (Swan Districts JFC), Graham Leckie 342 2092 (West Perth JFC), Lance White 294 3554 (Hills JFA), and Neil Renouf 390 6376 (South Suburban JFA).

POSTER PROMO

East Perth have been trendsetters in promoting junior football this season.

A special poster was distributed within its area pre-season.

The poster had pictures of East Perth league footballers who had played their junior careers in the council and it also had relevant information on how to get into junior football within the council.



It was all South Fremantle in this passage of play in the R & I Little League match against Swan Districts.

BIG WINS IN LITTLE LEAGUE

CLAREMONT, East Perth and Swan Districts all scored crushing wins in R and I Little League matches on Saturday.

The Tigers scored an impressive 6.2 (38) to 0.2 (2) win over East Fremantle.

It was an amazing performance from Claremont to post that score during the break in the main game and they could thank the efforts of Paul Foster, David Godden and Peter King for the big victory.

East Fremantle had good players in Brett Prebilcock, Kim Harris and Paul Holmes.

East Perth amassed the impressive tally of 5.2 (32) to Perth's 2.1 (13) and best contributors for the young Royals were David Regan, Paul Harvey and Craig Lawrence while Perth's leading players were Brenton Mott, Kim Fitzpatrick and Matthew Fredricson.

Swan Districts kicked 4.5 (29) and held South Fremantle scoreless.

Michael Castledine (one goal), Darren Chaeffers (one goal) and Justin Hewitt

(two goals) were their best players, while Michael Porter, Colin Slater and Greg Cain tried hard for the young Bulldogs.

West Perth kicked 1.3 (9) to beat Subiaco 1.0 (6).

Michael Kuback, Alfred Owens (one goal) and Marian White led the charge for the Falcons while Subiaco had good players in Jeff Turner (one goal), Lee Dunn and Graham Craig.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Swan Districts	3	3	0	59	9	655	12
Claremont	3	2	1	61	17	358	8
Subiaco	3	2	1	43	28	154	8
East Perth	3	2	1	47	35	134	8
West Perth	3	2	1	16	24	67	8
East Fremantle	3	1	2	25	53	47	4
Perth	3	0	3	41	162	25	0
South Frem	3	0	3	6	54	11	0

MILESTONES

100 GAMES

WEST PERTH: Anthony Boyatsiz — North Dianella 13s.

50 GAMES

WEST PERTH: Jason Leppard — North Dianella 11s.
CLAREMONT: Jodie Dell — Ocean Reef 14s.

Hints for Juniors

During the 1984 season Freddie Footballer... WA's favourite footy character, will present a series of hints for junior footballers. He will explain how to kick, punch and mark the ball properly, together with many more helpful hints for young players.

The torpedo punt...



The torpedo punt is for those long distances; spiralling shots that see the ball spin through the air like a bullet.

Just alter your hands slightly; bring one hand backwards a little and push one forward so that the front fingers reach towards the front of the ball. Hold it out level a little more, not pointing down so much.

The ball is released at a slight angle across your body, but it should still be guided down on to the foot and connect on the laces. A bigger follow-through is necessary to give it distance.

The complete series of Freddie's helpful hints are published in a book called "Aussie Rules... Learn to Play the Freddie Footballer Way" which is available at The Footy Shop, 215 Oxford Street, Leederville.

New role for computers

Computers may eventually replace football statisticians alongside coaches at league matches.

The Capture and Analysis of Behavioural Events in Real-time (CABER) system has been developed by Canberra's Deakin University School of Sciences lecturer Dr Jon Patrick, and has been tested by two Victorian Football league clubs, Geelong and Melbourne.

Dr Patrick said the system was first tuned for Australian Football because it was deemed to be the sport with the fastest and most complex behaviour patterns.

He said analysis of one VFL match last season showed that one key player significantly changed his pattern of play late in the second quarter and the team faltered from then on.

The computer printout showed the players' style of play had changed from run-on and handball to stop and kick with less effective results.

Coaches are rapidly realising the value of statistics and they are sure to play an important role in future coaching techniques.

The computer, easily operated by a novice, can also assess the effectiveness of a player's kicks and handballs.

Dr Patrick said the computer, could be commercially available within two years.



THOMAS HARDY
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FLYNN'S FOLLY



THIS week's Flynn's Folly surely goes to Channel 7 critic John Rogers. Anyone who has the courage and audacity to call John Duckworth a nincompoop and a dill, among other things, deserves a bottle of Hardy's Grand Reserve Brut Champagne.

Recognition for juniors

ATTENTION all junior footballers!

The Westside Football/Town and Country WA Milestone Medallions are on offer again this season . . . so take note.

Junior footballers who reach milestones of 100 games, 150 games and 200 games are entitled to apply for our specially-minted Milestone Medallions.

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Last year we were proud to acknowledge the efforts of several juniors who reached the important milestones and this year we look forward to making similar announcements.

These medallions will only be presented to young footballers who fill in the official form published below and forward it to Westside Football, 215 Oxford Street, Leederville.

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A mouthguard is the best safeguard

The Australian Dental Association has called for the wearing of mouthguards by everyone participating in contact sport.

The ADA Victorian Branch President, Dr Fred Widdop, said broken and knocked out teeth were now the next greatest cause of dental treatment after gum disease and caries.

The ADA Victorian Branch already has the support of both the Victorian Football Association for this program.

Senior coaches and players in both the VFL and VFA involved in coaching young children will be advising them on the use of mouthguards throughout the football season.

However, Dr Widdop said football should not be looked upon as the only culprit in dental trauma.

Dr Widdop warned that it was essential for mouthguards to be properly fitted.

Those which were loose could cause as much damage as if a person was not wearing one.

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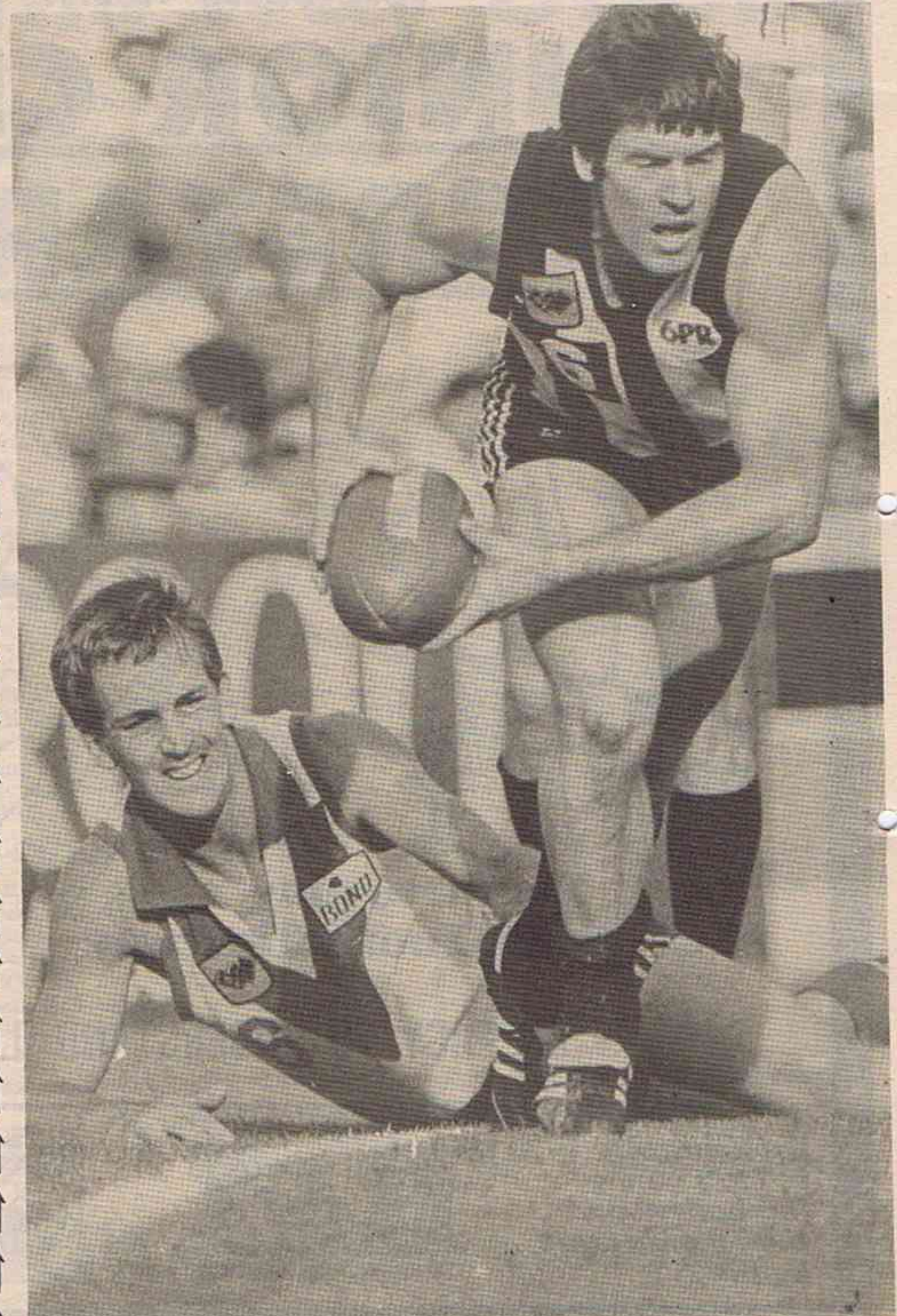
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A LINE BALL



No one could blame the boundary umpire for missing this line-ball decision when South Fremantle's Warren Masconi and Swan Districts' Leigh Brenton battled for possession. The top pic clearly shows the ball resting right on the boundary line, while the middle picture shows the ball to be out of bounds. Both players listened for the whistle, before Brenton broke away with the ball. The umpire's view was obstructed. Pics: By Richie Hann.





WESTSIDE RATINGS



Young South Fremantle wingman Nicky Winmar had the ball on a string on Saturday and here Swans pair Steve Richardson (20), and Jon Fogarty get a close-up of his skills.

SIX SHARE THE LEAD

Six players are now the joint leaders in the Westside Football - Crestwood Inntown Perth Hotel player ratings award.

Peter Spencer (East Perth), Rhett Baynes and Bryan Cousins (Perth), Michael Mitchell and Steve Malaxos (Claremont) and Brad Hardie (South Fremantle) all have 22 points after three games.

They lead by one vote from a big group of players including Shane Ellis and Murray Wrensted (East Fremantle), Greg Wilkinson and Phil Lamb (Subiaco), Don Langsford and Brad Shine (Swan Districts), Rod Alderton (West Perth) and Grant Campbell (East Perth).

West Perth

	v	v	v	Tot
	P	EP	S	
AVERY, Peter	-	2	3	5
ADAMSON, Brian	2i	-	-	2
ALDERTON, Rod	9	5	7	21
BELL, Brendan	-	3	6	9
BENNETT, Malcolm	4	4	2r	10
BOGUNOVICH, Ramsay	-	4	6	10
BRADMORE, Phil	4	4	4	12
CAMPBELL, Dean	4	-	5	9
COMERFORD, Graeme	7r	4	5	16
DAYMAN, Wayne	6	5	7	18
FALCONER, Dean	3r	-	-	3
FONG, Les	5	4	5	14
GASTEVIK, John	-	2r	-	2
HENDRIKS, Geoff	6	4	5	15
KICKETT, Derek	5	5	6	16
LOCKMAN, Michael	-	5	6	11
MENAGLIO, Peter	-	5	7	12
MICHALCZYK, George	5	-	-	5
MIFKA, Paul	6	5	7	18
MOUNTAIN, Paul	2	-	-	2
MUGAVIN, Noel	-	5	7	12
NELSON, Craig	6	5	6	17
O'BRIEN, Mick	6	-	-	6
PERRIN, Brian	6	5	8	19
POLSON, Gordon	4	-	-	4
ROSS, Bradley	-	3	-	3
SIMMS, Doug	-	-	6	6
STEPHENS, Mark	3	-	-	3
WARWICK, Dean	5	5	5	15

Claremont

	v	v	v	Tot
	SF	SD	EF	
BARNES, Colin	3	5	5	13
BEECROFT, Barry	-	-	4	4
DANIELS, Allen	6	5	6	17
DICKFOS, Michael	4	6	4r	14
DAVIDSON, Peter	4	-	-	4
FARMER, Dean	-	5	5	10
FOULKES, Chris	-	-	3r	3
GOULDING, Steve	5	4	5	14
HARPER, Baden	4	5	-	9
HANN, Mark	-	-	6	6
KAVANAGH, Brendan	-	-	5	5
JAMIESON, Peter	-	5	5	10
KICKETT, Larry	2r	-	5	7
KANTHER, Lindsay	4	5	5	14
MALAXOS, Steve	8	7	7	22
MORTON, Noel	5	5	7	17
MITCHELL, Michael	7	7	8	22
MONTEATH, Bruce	6	-	-	6
MIERS, David	4	3r	-	7
O'CONNELL, David	5	8	4	17
O'CONNELL, Mike	5	6	4	15
PANIZZA, Darrell	3	7	3	13
REYNOLDS, Brad	-	7	6	13
ROWE, Alan	5	5	-	10
STONE, Jeff	4	2i	-	6
SMITH, Ray	3	6	4	13
WINNING, Dean	7	2i	-	9

Subiaco

	v	v	v	Tot
	EF	P	WP	
ASHWORTH, Peter	-	5	6	11
BENGOUGH, John	5	-	-	5
BROWN, Clint	8	6	6	20
BROWN, Rod	-	6	3	9
CRUTCHFIELD, Mike	7	5	5	17
FEATHERBY, Peter	9	-	6	15
FLOYD, Tom	-	-	4	4
FOTHERINGHAME, Neil	8	4	6	18
KEENE, Laurie	7	6	5	18
KELLY, Greg	5	5	5	15
LAMB, Dwayne	5	7	6	18
LAMB, Phil	6	8	7	21
LEE, Mick	-	5	4	9
LEISHMAN, Steve	7	5	5	17
QUICK, Barrrie	6	4i	-	10
REEVES, Ray	7	7	4	18
ROSS, Paul	-	-	4	4
SCOTT, Phil	7	-	-	7
TAYLOR, Brian	-	5	7	12
TAYLOR, Neil	6	7	7	20
TOWNSEND, John	3	-	1r	4
TUCKER, Ian	5r	4i	-	9
WARNER, Bevan	7	6	-	13
WALLWORK, Paul	7	5	-	12
WILKINSON, Greg	8	6	7	21
WILSON, Paul	4r	4	5	13

East Perth

	v	v	v	Tot
	SD	WP	P	
BARTLETT, Glen	6	4	4	14
CARPENTER, Greg	5	7	7	19
CAMPBELL, Grant	7	7	7	21
CHRISTIAN, Michael	8	6	5	19
COCKER, Shane	4	-	-	4
DA RUI, Steven	2r	3r	-	5
DENNIS, Richard	4	7	6	17
DAWSON, Peter	5	5	6	16
FULLARTON, Brett	4	6	3	13
HIGGINS, Paul	4	5	4	13
KELLY, Lance	5	5	4	14
MORGAN, David	6	6	4	16
OTWAY, Wayne	7	7	6	20
PAPOTTO, Tony	6	7	5	18
SHELDON, Gary	-	-	3r	3
SPENCER, Peter	7	9	6	22
SPARKS, Russell	6	8	6	20
SOLIN, Robert	5	5	2i	12
SMITH, Tom	2r	3r	2r	7
SCOTT, John	8	8	2	18
WALSH, Greg	6	7	6	19
WILSON, Frank	5	7	4	16

Perth

	v	v	v	Tot
	WP	S	EP	
BAYNES, Rhett	8	7	7	22
BELL, Ken	-	-	4r	4
BOSUSTOW, Peter	-	-	8	8
CARTER, Lindsay	4	5	5	14
COUSINS, Bryan	7	7	8	22
COLLIE, Paul	3r	-	-	3
DAWSON, Brian	-	-	4	4
FANCOTE, Kim	4	3	6	13
GANDINI, Len	-	-	6	6
GARBIN, Michael	2	4	7	13
HOOKE, Robbie	4	4	-	8
MCGUIRE, Oral	5	3i	7	15
MUMFORD, Harry	6	5	8	19
O'CONNELL, Peter	3	4	-	7
REA, Michael	-	5	6	11
RICHARDSON, Lloyd	6	3r	-	9
ROBERTS, Clinton	6	4	3r	13
SIMMS, Wayne	6	4	-	10
SMITH, Glen	5	5	6	16
SPALDING, Earl	6	5	6	17
THOMSON, Geoff	5	4	6	15
TURNER, Steve	3r	-	-	3
WASHFOLD, Mark	8	5	5	18
WILEY, Robert	4	5	9	18
WORTHINGTON, Kevin	-	5	5	10
YORGEY, Brett	7	3	6	16

South Fremantle

	v	v	v	Tot
	C	EF	SD	
AMOROSO, Tony	8	3	-	11
ARNOLD, Paul	4	-	3	7
BARRETT, Rod	7	5	7	19
CARTER, Noel	6	6	7	19
CARTER, Gavin	7	4	5	16
COCKIE, Michael	-	5	5	10
CORNELL, Kevin	5	2	3	10
DOROTICH, Jon	5	6	4	15
DOBSON, Glynn	5	3	-	8
EDWARDS, Craig	9	5	6	20
GILLIES, Geoff	-	-	7	7
GRLJUSICH, Rod	4r	4r	4	12
HARDIE, Brad	8	6	8	22
HART, David	8	7	5	20
HAYES, John	6	3	3	12
HENWOOD, Wayne	-	5r	7	12
LITTLE, Brett	-	-	3	3
MATERA, Wally	5	6	-	11
MICHAEL, Stephen	-	-	6	6
MOSCONI, Warren	6	7	6	19
MOUNT, Stephen	4r	4	-	8
ROE, Willie	6	-	-	6
VASOLI, Paul	7	5	4	16
VIGONA, Benny	3	2	6	11
WINMAR, Nicky	5	4	8	17

Swan Districts

	v	v	v	Tot
	EP	C	SF	
AHMAT, Joe	-	-	2r	2
ALLEN, Chris	4	5	-	9
BLACKABY, Ed	6	4	-	10
BRENTON, Leigh	5	7	3	15
FARMER, Brett	3r	-	2	5
FOGARTY, Jon	-	6	7	13
HETHERINGTON, Kim	3	6	7	16
HUTTON, Brent	4	6	6	16
HOLMES, Don	6	6	8	20
HOYER, Craig	3	3	3	9
JOHNS, Michael	6	7	3	16
KIMBERLEY, Barry	5	7	7	19
LANGSFORD, Don	6	7	8	21
MARSHALL, Ken	3	6	2	11
MAHER, Andrew	2i	-	-	2
NARKLE, Keith	7	5	4	16
NEESHAM, Gerard	6	2i	-	8
RANCE, Murray	4	8	7	19
RICHARDSON, Steve	4	5	3	12
SHINE, Brad	7	8	6	21
SMITH, Alby	-	-	2r	2
SARTORI, Peter	5	5	7	17
SOLIN, Tony	4	5	3	12
WARE, Peter	4	6	7	17

East Fremantle

	v	v	v	Tot
	S	SF	C	
ALEXANDER, Ron	6	6	4	16
BROWNING, Clint	5	6	7	18
BELLOTTI, John	4r	-	-	4
BRENNAN, Michael	5	6	5	16
BUKTENICA, Brett	4r	6	3r	13
CARTER, Graham	-	2r	-	2
CASSIDY, Jeff	4i	5	4	13
CLAESSEN, John	4	7	5	16
ELLIS, Shane	6	7	8	21
GREEN, Stephen	-	-	6	6
HARDING, Paul	4	8	7	19
HOULT, Glenn	5	8	7	20
JONES, Billy	7	5	5	17
KERR, Roger	4	7	5	16
KICKETT, Graham	4	-	-	4
NOLAN, John	-	-	6	6
PITTORINI, Joe	-	5	4	9
RANKIN, David	6	7	5	18
SHAW, Mark	-	5	5	10
STERRETT, Ray	3	-	-	3
TURCO, Mario	-	5	2i	7
VALLI, Mark	5	5	5	15
WATERSON, Colin	2	-	-	2
WAKE, Gavin	5	3r	-	8
WILSON, Peter	7	7	5	18
WRENSTED, Murray	7	8	6	21

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NEW COACH FOR SWANS

WITH Ed Blackaby again concentrating on his football career, Swan Districts have appointed Dave Sidebottom as the club's colts coach. Blackaby took over the task last year and did an admirable job with his young squad. He was re-appointed for 1984, but as his fitness improved he decided to pursue his league career. Sidebottom is no stranger to the colts coaching position at the club. He did it for several years in the mid 70s and players of the calibre of Phil Narkle made the rise up through the ranks under Sidebottom. He took over again in 1981 and was going to coach the Swan Districts fourths team if that competition had come under the control of the WAFL. Sidebottom is working with a young squad and while they have yet to win a game, there is plenty of potential in the camp.

NO SURPRISE

WHEN Carlton came across to play Claremont in a pre-season practice match, one of the most impressive of the Claremont players was young utility player Tony Begovich. He was wearing Wayne Blackwell's old No. 39 guernsey and looked capable of filling a similar role for the club. Therefore, it was not



surprising to see Begovich dominate when he played colts last week. The 16-year-old former Newman College star kicked five goals in his side's big win over East Fremantle last week. Begovich had won fairest and best awards in the Subiaco and West Perth Junior Councils before joining the Tigers this year. He is currently a member of the State under-18 squad and is almost certain to be chosen in the side which will attempt to win the Teal Cup for WA for the first time.

YOUNG SQUAD

RENOWNED colts coach Eddie Pitter has always enjoyed working with young squads. As soon as he thinks a player is ready for reserves football he promotes them through the grades as part of their learning process. Therefore it comes as no surprise to learn that Subiaco's colts squad is extremely young, with several 14-year-olds, a few 15-year-olds and a big group of 16-year-olds. Pitter's theory behind a young colts squad is that it makes it easier to mould character into the players — one of the most important aspects of the game.

MIXED BAG

TWO of the most experienced colts coaches in the WAFL — as far as playing league games are concerned — are Graham Melrose and Brian Ciccotosto, who have met with mixed results after the first three games of the season. Ciccotosto has South Fremantle sitting unbeaten at the top of the premiership table, while Melrose is yet to win a game with his youngsters.



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Wesfarmers COUNTRY ROUNDUP

Country football clubs, associations and leagues are invited to submit news items and photographs for inclusion on this page. Contributions should be posted to WESTSIDE FOOTBALL, 215 Oxford Street, Leederville or phoned through on 443 2262.



South West draw a highlight

THE second round of matches in the South West National Football League was highlighted by a thrilling draw between Donnybrook and Collie.

Donnybrook surprised local fans when they beat Carey Park convincingly last week and their effort in drawing with Collie would suggest they could cause the top teams a few headaches.

The score at the end of Sunday's game saw Collie on 16.15 to Donnybrook's 15.21. Mines Rovers, South Bunbury and Bunbury remained unbeaten when they were all impressive winners.

The Miners scored their second big win in as many weeks when they crushed Busselton 23.26 to 10.13.

South Bunbury scored a magnificent win over Harvey Brunswick, 35.21 to 8.12,

while Bunbury kicked 26.17 to Augusta-Margaret River's 10.14.

Good news for the South West competition was the performance of Boyanup-Capel-Dardanup in beating Carey Park.

It means that after two rounds the Panthers have yet to win a game, but it is tremendous for the lowly Cardinals and their new coach Kim Allsop.

Close kicks Federals to top start

FEDERALS captain-coach Brian Close got his side off to a flying start in the Avon Football Association when he kicked seven goals in his team's crushing win over Kellerberrin.

Close played from a half-forward flank and was one of his side's leading players, receiving solid support from Neil Harvey and Colin Smith.

Federals played an impressive brand of football to kick 26.25 to 14.10.

Railways overcame a slow start when they trailed by 42 points at quarter time to run over the top of Tammin and go to an impressive 18 point victory.

They were still behind by 25 points at the last change and the game looked all over. But Tammin did not add to their three quarter time score in the final term.

Reg Stack, who played on Saturday with the Perth reserves, was the driving force behind his side's victory.

Cunderdin also kicked off to a good start to the season when they were too strong for Brookton — winning by nine goals.

The other match saw York eventually cruise to a comfortable 32 point win over Quairading.

LITTLE KICKS 17 GOALS

FORMER Pingelly full-forward Basil Little made a great return to his old club when he kicked 17 goals against Cuballing on Sunday.

It was mainly due to his performance that Pingelly cruised to a 151-point win in the first round of fixtures in the Upper Great Southern National Football League.

He had played in the Eastern Districts Football League for several seasons before returning to Pingelly.

Defending premiers Williams also opened the season in fine style.

They kicked a massive 27.21 while Narrogin's Towns managed just 12.7.

Williams coach Greg Cavanagh must be confident of another premiership after their success on the opening day of competition.

Wagin served notice that they would be a much more powerful combination in 1984 when they scored a crushing win over Boddington — 29.30 to 7.6.

The two Wagin teams, Federals and Rovers, joined forces two seasons ago, but they did not have the bearing on the competition expected.

It now appears they are ready to throw out a serious challenge to the top contenders.

Boddington, on the other hand, again look likely to struggle.

Narrogin Railways also showed capabilities of continuing as a force when they beat West Arthur by 133 points.

In the tightest game of the day Wickiepin beat Lake Grace by 31 points. However, only inaccurate kicking caused the result to be so close.

Melville is Ports coach

Former WAFL ruckman Vic Melville is the new coach of Ports in the South East Football League at Esperance.

Ports have performed well in the practice matches and served notice in the lightning carnival last week that they would be a force to be reckoned with.

ESPERANCE PULLS OUT

THE South East Football League based in Esperance will not play in this year's Wesfarmers Country Football Championships.

They have been forced to withdraw from the carnival because of the big distance involved and the enormous costs last year.

However, they will take part in the Great Southern Carnival earlier in the year.

The Great Southern event has always been used as a preparation for the Wesfarmers Championships.

The South East Football League will join Ongerup, Southern Districts, Upper Great Southern, Central Great Southern and the Lower South West.

Upper Great Southern will host the event for the second time in succession.

The format for the unique colts competition has also been changed this year.

Instead of the normal system where each team plays the other two sides in their group whenever matches can be arranged, there will be round robin competitions held in two major centres.

One of those centres will be Esperance and the South East Football League, Southern Districts and Ongerup will compete there.

The other host league will be Upper Great Southern.

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AMATEUR NEWS

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SCARBOROUGH PROVE CLASSY

NEWLY-promoted A grade club Scarborough put in a superb performance to defeat Nollamara in a tough encounter.

Scarborough were led by Wayne Curtis who was in superb form while Neale Fong continued his fine form for Nollamara.

Wembley, led by captain-coach Russell Ellen, beat a young CBC side.

Despite the defeat, CBC should not be taken lightly. They have good players in Joe Florenca, Bennett and the Cronan brothers.

However, Wembley have shown that they have recruited well and are going to be a strength in the competition again.

Mt Lawley, inspired by classy winger Greg Pearson, won a hard-fought game against Trinity-Aquinas.

Pearson showed the desperation required to win games on the smaller grounds. He was closely followed by Trinity-Aquinas's Greg Steinepries who was an inspiration to his team.

North Beach continued their excellent pre-season form with a good win over highly-rated Old Wesley.

Good players for North were Hunter, Marwood and Ward with the ever-reliable Poole firing for Old Wesley.

In the game expected to be the match of the day, University showed enough to suggest that they will be the side to beat in '84.

Collegians/Old Scotch will have to get the best from a few of their lesser-lights to be a force.

A good return to form of "Fingers" Annear will be more than welcome by University.

The game of the day in round two should be the clash between Scarborough and Old Wesley at Perth Oval.

Note to Club officials

Club Secretaries, officials and players are reminded that:

1. All players must complete their computer number next to their names in the match book each week.

2. All Colts (under 20) players must give proof of age (birth certificate, passports or drivers licence) before playing.

3. All home teams must phone the scores to 447 3502 before 6.30pm. Colts scores can be phoned in after 3 o'clock. Failure to comply incurs a hearing penalty.

4. All home teams must supply a suitably attired steward to control the interchange area and that Steward also act as host for the umpires and extend all courtesies to them.

5. The send off rules have been changed to fall in line with A.A.F.C. rule 22. The main change to the player sent off CANNOT now be replaced as in previous years.

ORDERING FROM THE FIELD

22. In any match the field umpire shall have power to order from the field, for such time as he thinks fit, any player who, having once been warned for any offence reportable under the Laws of the Game, again offends in the same match, and no such player shall be replaced during the period for which he is ordered from the field. In the event of such player refusing to leave the field, the match shall be awarded to the opposing side.

All results of amateur football are published in Sunday papers.

FIELD UMPIRES

The Amateur League require 80 field umpires for the coming season commencing 14 April. Training has commenced Tuesday evenings 5.00pm. All interested persons should apply in writing stating previous experience, age, address and telephone numbers. Enquiries can be made to: Umpires Advisor George Melers 335 1823 or Assistant Advisor Terry Haydon 409 9071.



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

New moves and ideas

THE W.A.A.F.L. Sub-committees have been busy over the summer break with several new ideas and changes taking place.

A new fixtures book has been designed, with normal fixtures, plus past premiers in all grades. 'A' grade fairest and best winners, previous season's results, photo's of Management Committees the 1983 State team and the A-grade Premiership team.

All 5000 Amateur players have been issued with distinctive bumper stickers to promote Amateur football.

New by-laws have been adopted to facilitate the easier running of the league and a new constitution was adopted late last season.

The annual dinner is to be replaced with an updated fairest and best vote counting night. Previously only one delegate from each club was involved at the dinner, but the new function will enable many club players and supporters to attend.

Special recruitment posters were generously supplied by Westside Football for general distribution.

PLAYER LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

ANY amateur player with 150 games or more to his credit is entitled to gain life membership of the amateurs.

Introduced at the start of amateur football, the award has lapsed in recent years.

Qualified players (past and present) are welcomed to apply through their club or WAAFL headquarters.

They will receive a special certificate and a card (with full details) that entitles the member to attend all WA amateur-controlled matches free of charge, including finals and State games.

WELL DONE

Three newly admitted clubs had mixed fortunes first up.

Both 'D' colts team Riverton and Redcliffe enjoyed success in one-sided games. Senior team Mirrabooka 'L' will be looking to open their winning account after a torrid time last week.

Other clubs with new teams in 'D' colts, Bullcreek and Lynwood-Ferndale, will have to regroup next start to gain a first win.

Any person interested in playing or assisting in amateur football (both seniors or under 20s) are welcomed to phone the WAAFL to find out where the nearest club to you is. Many clubs are still welcoming new members.

BURLEY PREMIERSHIP TABLE

(Subject to official confirmation)

A GRADE

Wembley 4, Mt Lawley 4, Nth Beach 4, Scarborough 4, University 4, Old Scotch/Collegians 0, Nollamara 0, Old Wesley 0, Trinity-Aquinas 0, C.B.C. 0.

A COLTS

Mt Lawley 4, Wembley 4, Old Wesley 4, Nollamara 4, University 4, Scarborough 0, Nth Beach 0, C.B.C. 0, Trinity-Aquinas 0, Old Scotch/Collegians 0.

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CLUBS IN FOCUS

St Norbert's

"SNESA" — they were admitted in 1973 and have their headquarters at Queens Park Oval, with about 50 members.

Club colours are blue and gold, competing in 'E'. Won the 1980 'h' premiership. Club coach is Brian Thompson a former Claremont league player 1967-68 who played two years (1969-71) with Inglewood-Bayswater (W.A.F.A) and over 200 games with Kenwick (SSMNFL) from 1972-82. A member of the All Australian "Super Rules" inaugural carnival in 1983.

He has won many fairest and best awards. Three times at Inglewood-Bayswater and the W.A.F.A's best in 1970 and runner-up in 1971.

Previously coached the Kenwick league (where he also won a fairest and best) and reserves.

North Fremantle show promise

NORTH Fremantle gave notice of their potential with a good win over Uni No. 2 and they could be headed for their best season in 'B' grade for a number of years.

Whitfords should develop into a competitive force. Their last quarter fade-out against Bayswater was no justice for their previous three quarters. Baysie were kept in the game by Neville Payne at full-back, backed up by Gary Merredith (half-back) and Greg Sinclair at centre-half-forward.

MHWP appear to have a more mobile side than in 1983.

West Coast, coached by former East Perth (W.A.F.L) and Bayswater (W.A.F.L) player, Kevin McGinnity, will be watched with interest. Wembley No. 2 look well-balanced this season and WAIT have shown the ability to cover the jump from 'C' to 'B'.

Maylands disappointed first-up.

'C' grade

Northbridge-AICA, Dianella, Innaloo and Mt Lawley No. 2 enjoyed success while Hammersley showed they will be a tougher team by drawing with top rating Hellencis.

'D' grade

Former Sunday team Swan Athletic (grand finals 1983) just held off Lynwood-Ferndale. 'E' premiers Uni No. 3 look to be a top combination, while Nollamara No. 2 and North Beach No. 2 — traditional rivals — continued their usual close encounters. Wembley No. 3 surprised by easily accounting for Bassendean.

'E' grade

Applecross, promoted two divisions, may not have everything their way this year and suffered a rare defeat. Koondoola (coached by Bob Taylor) are off to a good start and will be keen to chase their final record of appearances in every year since their formation in 1979.

'F' grade

Muresk were too strong for Graylands (1983 Sunday Division finalists) and look likely to improve on efforts of the past three years, with highly respected Dick Visser in charge. West Coast, with former Footscray player Gary Taylor coaching, downed competitive Bullcreek.

'G' grade

Renamed Cockburn Lakes (formerly Robbs Jetty) ran riot against John 23rd after both teams had won 11 games last year. In the replay between 'H' grand final teams Mt Lawley No. 3 and North Beach No. 3, the "Hawks" again proved too strong.

'H' grade

Northbridge-AICA No. 2 (1983 'I' premiers) should be in for another top season. ANZ Bank have to overcome the job of jumping two divisions.

'I' grade

Girrawheen, already with an impressive home-and-away record, should continue on their way. Lynwood-Ferndale No. 2 (minor premiers 'K') look the team to push Girrawheen.

'J' grade

Bayswater No. 3 kicked the highest score for two seasons downing North Beach No. 4 by over 30 goals. North, fielding a depleted side, had a reliable spearhead in Lindsay Crooks, who kicked five of seven goals in his first game in over 10 years.

Already this grade appears to be uneven with Coolbinia-Yokine No. 2 outscoring Carlisle No. 3 also by 30 goals.

'K' grade

Morley No. 2 showed signs of improvement after a disappointing season last year. Bassendean No. 3 failed to field a team and club officials will have to work hard to stop any repeat forfeits.

NO GAMES this week

THERE are no amateur games over the Easter break this weekend. Competition resumes on April 28.

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Budget National Fixtures and Results

All home teams mentioned first.
 KEY - (S) = Subiaco, (P) = VFL Park,
 (SS) = Sydney Cricket Ground,
 (W) = Football Park, Westlakes, Adelaide.

SATURDAY, MARCH 31
W.A.F.L. - Round 1
 S. Frem. 24.12, Claremont 18.15.
 W. Perth 15.11, Perth 18.18.
 Subiaco 21.16, E. Fremantle 11.19.
VFL - Round 1
 N. Melb. 9.8, Carlton 31.15 (P).
 Footscray 18.14, Richmond 11.17.
 Geelong 23.10, Fitzroy 15.9.
 C'Wood 18.12, Melb. 15.17.
 Hawthorn 17.22, Swans 13.11.
 St. Kilda 14.18, Essendon 19.20.

SANFL - Round 1
 Sturt 23.7, Norwood 18.12 (W).
 Port Adel. 19.14, South Adel. 15.7.
 West Torr. 14.12, Woodville 26.16.
 Glenelg 12.15, Central Dist. 13.12.
SUNDAY, APRIL 1
WAFL - Round 1
 Swans 16.17, E. Perth 19.13 (Bun.).
SANFL - Round 1
 West Adel. 13.15, Nth. Adel. 12.14.

SATURDAY, APRIL 7
WAFL - Round 2
 Claremont 13.6, Swan Dist. 18.14.
 East Perth 31.19, W. Perth 17.13.
 Perth 15.14, Subiaco 22.8.
 E. Frem. 17.13, S. Frem. 15.17.
VFL Round 2
 Geelong 16.9, Footscray 9.11.
 Essendon 16.14, Hawthorn 17.14.
 Fitzroy 16.15, Carlton 18.13.
 Collingwood 22.17, St. Kilda 7.14.
 Richmond 15.17, Nth. Melb. 14.9.

SANFL - Round 2
 Port Adel. 19.17, W. Adel. 11.3.
 Central Dist. 17.22, Norwood 12.9.
 Glenelg 16.19, Sturt 13.12.
 Woodville 12.11, South Adel. 19.21.
SUNDAY, APRIL 8
VFL - Round 2
 Swans 16.16, Melbourne 13.20.
SANFL - Round 2
 Nth Adelaide 12.16, W. Torrens 22.9.

SATURDAY, APRIL 14
WAFL - Round 3
 West Perth 17.11, Subiaco 15.19.
 Claremont 15.13, East Frem 16.11.
 S. Frem. 20.12, S. Districts 13.19.
 Perth 25.18, East Perth 13.9.
VFL - Round 3
 Fitzroy 16.9, Richmond 22.19.
 Carlton 15.7, Geelong 19.12.
 Essendon 26.17, Collingwood 16.10.
 Melbourne 20.12, Hawthorn 20.18.
 N. Melb. 14.17, Footscray 25.14.
 St. Kilda 18.8, Swans 22.13.
SANFL - Round 3
 Glenelg 11.11, S. Adelaide 14.16.
 Cent. Dist. 21.20, West Torrens 11.6.
 Norwood 14.13, West Adelaide 24.17.
 Nth Adelaide 14.4, Sturt 16.19.

THIS WEEK'S NATIONAL FIXTURES

SATURDAY, APRIL 21
WAFL - Round 4
 E. Fremantle v West Perth
 Subiaco v Claremont
VFL - Round 4
 Melbourne v Essendon (P)
 Collingwood v Swans
 Richmond v Carlton
SANFL - Round 4
 Norwood v N. Adelaide (W)
 Sturt v Port
 West Torrens v Glenelg
 W. Adelaide v Sth. Adelaide
 Woodville v Central Districts

MONDAY, APRIL 23
WAFL - Round 4
 East Perth v Sth. Fremantle
 Swan Districts v Perth
VFL - Round 4
 Fitzroy v Footscray
 Hawthorn v St. Kilda
 Geelong v Nth. Melbourne

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25
VFL - Round 5
 Carlton v Collingwood (P)
 Richmond v Essendon
SANFL - Round 5
 W. Adelaide v Sturt (W)
 Sth. Adelaide v Norwood

SATURDAY, APRIL 28
WAFL - Round 5
 S. Fremantle v Perth
 S. Districts v East Fremantle
 West Perth v Claremont
 Subiaco v East Perth
VFL - Round 5
 Footscray v Hawthorn
 N. Melbourne v Melbourne
 St. Kilda v Geelong

SANFL - Round 5
 Glenelg v Woodville (W)
 Port Adelaide v West Torrens
 Nth. Adelaide v Central Districts

SUNDAY, APRIL 29
VFL - Round 5
 Swans v Fitzroy (SS)

FRIDAY, MAY 4 (NIGHT)
SANFL - Round 6
 Port Adelaide v Norwood (W)
SATURDAY, MAY 5
WAFL - Round 6
 West Perth v Sth. Fremantle
 Subiaco v Swan Districts
 Claremont v East Perth
 E. Fremantle v Perth

VFL - Round 6
 Hawthorn v Richmond (P)
 Carlton v St. Kilda
 Collingwood v Nth. Melbourne
 Fitzroy v Essendon
 Footscray v Swans
 Melbourne v Geelong
SANFL - Round 6
 W. Torrens v Sturt (W)
 Central Dist. v Sth. Adelaide
 Glenelg v West Adelaide
 N. Adelaide v Woodville

SATURDAY, MAY 12
WAFL - Round 7
 S. Fremantle v Subiaco
 S. Districts v West Perth
 Perth v Claremont
 East Perth v E. Fremantle (S)
VFL - Round 7
 N. Melbourne v St. Kilda (P)
 Essendon v Footscray
 Geelong v Collingwood
 Hawthorn v Fitzroy
 Melbourne v Carlton

SANFL - Round 7
 Port Adelaide v Glenelg (W)
 Norwood v West Torrens
 Sturt v Woodville
 N. Adelaide v Sth. Adelaide
 West Adelaide v Central Districts
SUNDAY, MAY 13
VFL - Round 7
 Swans v Richmond (SS)

TUESDAY, MAY 15
SANFL v **VFL** (W)

SATURDAY, MAY 19
WAFL - Round 8
 Claremont v Sth. Fremantle
 East Perth v Swan Districts
 Perth v West Perth (S)
 E. Fremantle v Subiaco
VFL - Round 8
 Essendon v Geelong (P)
 Carlton v Hawthorn
 Fitzroy v Melbourne
 N. Melbourne v Swans
 Richmond v Collingwood
 St. Kilda v Footscray

SANFL - Round 8
 N. Adelaide v Glenelg (W)
 Sturt v Sth. Adelaide
 Woodville v Norwood

MONDAY, MAY 21
SANFL - Round 8
 West Adelaide v W. Torrens (W)
 Port Adelaide v Central Districts

SATURDAY, MAY 26
WAFL - Round 9
 Swan Districts v Sth. Fremantle
 Subiaco v West Perth
 E. Fremantle v Claremont
 East Perth v Perth

VFL - Round 9
 Footscray v Melbourne (P)
 Collingwood v Fitzroy
 Essendon v Carlton
 Hawthorn v Nth. Melbourne
 Richmond v St. Kilda

SANFL - Round 9
 Central Dist. v Sturt (W)
 Glenelg v Norwood
 Port Adelaide v Nth. Adelaide
 W. Adelaide v Woodville

SUNDAY, MAY 27
VFL - Round 9
 Swans v Geelong (SS)
SANFL - Round 9
 W. Torrens v Sth. Adelaide

SATURDAY, JUNE 2
WAFL - Round 10
 S. Districts v Claremont
 Subiaco v Perth
VFL - Round 10
 St. Kilda v Fitzroy (P)
 Footscray v Collingwood
 Geelong v Hawthorn
 Melbourne v Richmond
 N. Melbourne v Essendon

SANFL - Round 10
 W. Adelaide v N. Adelaide (W)
 Central Dist. v Glenelg
 Norwood v Sturt
 W. Torrens v Woodville

SUNDAY, JUNE 3
VFL - Round 10
 Swans v Carlton (SS)

SANFL - Round 10
 S. Adelaide v Port Adelaide

MONDAY, JUNE 4
WAFL - Round 10
 West Perth v East Perth
 S. Fremantle v East Fremantle

SATURDAY, JUNE 9
WAFL v **SANFL** (W)
(No local WAFL and SANFL fixtures)
VFL - Round 11
 Essendon v Swans
 Richmond v Geelong
 St. Kilda v Melbourne

MONDAY, JUNE 11
VFL - Round 11
 Collingwood v Hawthorn (P)
 Carlton v Footscray
 Fitzroy v Nth. Melbourne

SANFL - Round 11
 Sturt v N. Adelaide (W)
 S. Adelaide v Glenelg
 W. Torrens v Central Districts
 W. Adelaide v Norwood
 Woodville v Port Adelaide

FRIDAY, JUNE 15 (NIGHT)
SANFL - Round 12
 S. Adelaide v W. Adelaide (W)

SATURDAY, JUNE 16
WAFL - Round 11
 Perth v Swan Districts
 Claremont v Subiaco
 S. Fremantle v East Perth
 West Perth v E. Fremantle (S)

VFL - Round 12
 Carlton v Fitzroy (P)
 Footscray v Geelong
 Hawthorn v Essendon
 Melbourne v Swans
 N. Melbourne v Richmond
 St. Kilda v Collingwood
SANFL - Round 12
 Sturt v P. Adelaide (W)
 Central Dist. v Woodville
 Glenelg v West Torrens
 N. Adelaide v Norwood

SATURDAY, JUNE 23
WAFL - Round 12
 Perth v Sth. Fremantle
 E. Fremantle v Swan Districts
 West Perth v Claremont (S)
 East Perth v Subiaco
VFL - Round 13
 Footscray v Nth. Melb. (P)
 Collingwood v Essendon
 Geelong v Carlton
 Hawthorn v Melbourne
 Richmond v Fitzroy

SANFL - Round 13
 P. Adelaide v W. Torrens (W)
 Glenelg v Woodville
 Norwood v Sth. Adelaide
 N. Adelaide v Central Districts

SUNDAY, JUNE 24
VFL - Round 13
 Swans v St. Kilda (SS)
SANFL - Round 13
 Sturt v West Adelaide

SATURDAY, JUNE 30
WAFL - Round 13
 S. Fremantle v West Perth (S)
 Swan Districts v Subiaco
 East Perth v Claremont
 Perth v East Fremantle
VFL - Round 14
 Essendon v Melbourne (P)
 Carlton v Richmond
 Footscray v Fitzroy
 N. Melbourne v Geelong
 St. Kilda v Hawthorn

SANFL - Round 14
 S. Adelaide v Woodville (W)
 P. Adelaide v West Adelaide
 Sturt v Glenelg
 W. Torrens v Nth. Adelaide

SUNDAY, JULY 1
VFL - Round 14
 Swans v C'wood (SS)
SANFL - Round 14
 Central Dist. v Norwood

FRIDAY, JULY 6 (NIGHT)
SANFL - Round 15
 N. Adelaide v Woodville (W)

SATURDAY, JULY 7
WAFL - Round 14
 Subiaco v Sth. Fremantle
 West Perth v Swan Districts
 Claremont v Perth
 E. Fremantle v East Perth

VFL - Round 15
 Collingwood v Carlton (P)
 Essendon v Richmond
 Fitzroy v Swans
 Geelong v St. Kilda
 Hawthorn v Footscray
 Melbourne v Nth. Melbourne
SANFL - Round 15
 Norwood v Pt. Adelaide (W)
 S. Adelaide v Central Districts
 Sturt v West Torrens
 W. Adelaide v Glenelg

SATURDAY, JULY 14
WAFL - Round 15
 S. Fremantle v Claremont
 Swan Districts v East Perth
 West Perth v Perth
 Subiaco v East Fremantle

VFL - Round 16
 Richmond v Hawthorn (P)
 Essendon v Fitzroy
SANFL - Round 16
 Central Dist. v W. Adelaide (W)
 S. Adelaide v Nth. Adelaide
 P. Adelaide v West Torrens
 W. Torrens v Norwood

SUNDAY, JULY 15
VFL - Round 16
 Swans v Footscray (SS)
SANFL - Round 16
 Woodville v Sturt

TUESDAY, JULY 17
WAFL v **VFL** (S)

FRIDAY, JULY 20 (NIGHT)
 Sturt v Cent. Dist. (W)

SATURDAY, JULY 21
WAFL - Round 16
 Claremont v S. Districts (S)
 East Perth v West Perth
 Perth v Subiaco
 E. Fremantle v Sth. Fremantle
VFL - Round 16
 Geelong v Melbourne
 N. Melbourne v Collingwood
 St. Kilda v Carlton

SANFL - Round 17
 P. Adelaide v N. Adelaide (W)
 S. Adelaide v West Torrens
 Norwood v Glenelg
 W. Adelaide v Woodville

SATURDAY, JULY 28
WAFL - Round 17
 S. Fremantle v Swan Districts
 West Perth v Subiaco
 Claremont v E. Fremantle (S)
 Perth v East Perth
VFL - Round 17
 St. Kilda v N. Melb. (P)
 Carlton v Melbourne
 Collingwood v Geelong
 Fitzroy v Hawthorn
 Footscray v Essendon
 Richmond v Swans

SANFL - Round 18
 W. Adelaide v W. Torrens (W)
 S. Adelaide v Sturt
 Central Dist. v Port Adelaide
 Norwood v Woodville

SUNDAY, JULY 29
SANFL - Round 18
 Glenelg v Nth. Adelaide

SATURDAY, AUGUST 4
WAFL - Round 18
 Swan Districts v Perth (S)
 Claremont v Subiaco
 East Perth v Sth. Fremantle
 E. Fremantle v West Perth
VFL - Round 18
 Geelong v Essendon (P)
 Collingwood v Richmond
 Footscray v St. Kilda
 Hawthorn v Carlton
 Melbourne v Fitzroy

SANFL - Round 19
 S. Adelaide v Pt. Adel. (W)
 N. Adelaide v West Adelaide

SUNDAY, AUGUST 5
VFL - Round 18
 Swans v Nth. Melb. (SS)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 11
WAFL - Round 19
 S. Fremantle v Perth
 Swan Districts v E. Fremantle
 Claremont v West Perth
 Subiaco v East Perth

VFL - Round 19
 Fitzroy v Collingwood (P)
 Carlton v Essendon
 Geelong v Swans
 Melbourne v Footscray
 N. Melbourne v Hawthorn
 St. Kilda v Richmond

SANFL - Round 19
 Central Dist. v Glenelg (W)
 Sturt v Norwood
 Woodville v W. Torrens

SATURDAY, AUGUST 18
WAFL - Round 20
 West Perth v Sth. Fremantle
 Subiaco v Swan Districts
 Claremont v East Perth
 E. Fremantle v Perth

VFL - Round 20
 Richmond v Footscray (P)
 Carlton v Nth. Melbourne
 Essendon v St. Kilda
 Fitzroy v Geelong
 Melbourne v Collingwood

SANFL - Round 20
 W. Torrens v Cent. Dist. (W)
 Glenelg v Sth. Adelaide
 Sturt v Nth. Adelaide
 Woodville v Port Adelaide

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19
SANFL - Round 20
 Norwood v West Adelaide

VFL - Round 20
 Swans v Hawthorn (SS)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24 (NIGHT)
SANFL - Round 21
 Glenelg v W. Torrens (W)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25
WAFL - Round 21
 S. Fremantle v Subiaco
 Swan Districts v West Perth
 Perth v Claremont
 East Perth v E. Fremantle

VFL - Round 21
 Melbourne v St. Kilda (P)
 Footscray v Carlton
 Geelong v Richmond
 Hawthorn v Collingwood
 N. Melbourne v Fitzroy
SANFL - Round 21
 Central Dist. v Woodville (W)
 S. Adelaide v West Adelaide
 Norwood v Nth. Adelaide
 P. Adelaide v Sturt

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26
VFL - Round 21
 Swans v Essendon (SS)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1
WAFL - 1st Semi Final
VFL - Round 22
 Hawthorn v Geelong (P)
 Carlton v Swans
 Collingwood v Footscray
 Essendon v Nth. Melbourne
 Fitzroy v St. Kilda
 Richmond v Melbourne
SANFL - Round 22
 S. Adelaide v Norwood (W)
 Central Dist. v Nth. Adelaide
 W. Torrens v Port Adelaide
 W. Adelaide v Sturt
 Woodville v Glenelg

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26
VFL - Round 21
 Swans v Essendon (SS)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8
WAFL - 2nd Semi Final
VFL - Finals
 Qualifying Final
 2nd team v Third team*
 Elimination Final
 4th Team v 5th Team

SANFL - Round 22
 Elimination Final

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9
SANFL - Qualifying Final

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
WAFL - Preliminary Final
VFL - Finals
 First Semi Final
 Second Semi Final
SANFL
 First Semi Final

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
SANFL
 Second Semi Final

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22
WAFL - Grand Final
VFL - Preliminary Final

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23
SANFL - Preliminary Final

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
VFL - Grand Final

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30
SANFL - Grand Final



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WEST PERTH	7.1	11.5	15.8	17.11	113
SUBIACO	4.5	7.10	10.18	15.19	109

SCORERS: WEST PERTH: Simms 5.1; Kickett 3.3; Menaglio 3.0; Perrin 2.0; Avery, Comerford 1.2; Bradmore, Fong 1.0; Warwick 0.1; forced 2.1 SUBIACO: C. Brown 5.1; Ashworth 2.2; Keene 2.1; Featherby, Kelly 1.3; Taylor 1.2; Lee, Fotheringham 1.1; Wilkinson 1.0; Wilson 0.2; Floyd, N. Taylor 0.1; forced 0.1.

UMPIRES: M. Ball, D. Johnson. Subiaco won toss and kicked to southern end. Free kicks: WEST PERTH: 3, 11, 7, 10 — 31; out-of-bounds 1; 15 metres 5. SUBIACO: 9, 9, 8, 9 — 35; out-of-bounds 6; 15 metres 5. Played at Leederville Oval, attendance 7,020

SOUTH FREMANTLE	5.4	11.7	16.9	20.12	132
SWAN DISTRICTS	2.4	6.9	9.12	13.19	97

SCORERS: SOUTH FREMANTLE: Hardie 6.4; Winmar 4.2; Arnold 3.0; Edwards, Gillies 2.0; Doroitch 1.1; Michael, Little 1.0; Carter 0.2; Grjusich 0.1; forced 0.1. SWAN DISTRICTS: Holmes 4.4; Hutton 3.5; Hoyer, Smith 2.0; Marshall, Solin 1.1; Shine, Langford 0.2; Brenton, Farmer, Kimberley 0.1; forced 0.1.

UMPIRES: P. O'Reilly, R. Phillips. (Replaced by R. Salis at half-time). Swan Districts won toss and kicked against wind to western end. Free-kicks: SOUTH FREMANTLE: 10, 10, 3, 5 — 28; out-of-bounds 3; 15 metres 8. SWAN DISTRICTS: 3, 7, 5, 3 — 18; out-of-bounds 4; 15 metres 5. Played at Subiaco Oval, attendance 12,233.

PERTH	7.4	12.10	15.14	25.18	168
EAST PERTH	1.2	3.3	8.5	13.9	87

SCORERS: PERTH: Rea 6.4; Wiley 6.2; McGuire 5.2; Cousins 3.2; Bosustow, Garbin 1.2; Gandini, Dawson 1.1; Yorgey 1.0; Spalding 0.2. EAST PERTH: Sparks 3.2; Spencer 3.0; Scott 2.0; Otway, Campbell, Higgins 1.2; Bartlett, Sheldon 1.0; Wilson 0.1.

UMPIRES: F. Lendich, J. Morris. East Perth won toss and kicked to norther end. Free-kicks: PERTH: 11, 6, 6, 1 — 24; out-of-bounds 2; 15 metres 7. EAST PERTH: 13, 5, 11, 5 — 34; out-of-bounds 5; 15 metres 6. Played at Lathlain Park, attendance 9,873.

EAST FREMANTLE	4.0	7.1	11.5	16.11	107
CLAREMONT	5.3	10.8	10.12	15.13	103

SCORERS: EAST FREMANTLE: Alexander 3.3; Cassidy 2.1; Valli, Jones 2.0; Hoult, Wilson, Wrensted, Nolan 1.1; Shaw, Green, Harding 1.0; Pittorini 0.1; Rankin, Turco 0.1. CLAREMONT: Daniels 3.1; Farmer 2.3; Mitchell 2.2; Goulding, Morton 2.0; Jamieson, Kavanagh 1.2; Malaxos, Kickett 1.1; Panizza 0.1.

UMPIRES: R. Austin, B. Hearne. Claremont won toss and kicked to southern end. Free-kicks: EAST FREMANTLE: 12, 11, 15, 7 — 45; out-of-bounds 4; 15 metres 7. CLAREMONT: 16, 11, 14, 7 — 48; out-of-bounds 6; 15 metres 11. Played at Claremont Oval, attendance 6,565.

PETER JACKSON SUPERSCORE

South Fremantle (5) 12½; Perth (5), Subiaco (1) 10; East Fremantle (4) 9½; East Perth (1); Swan Districts (1) 9; West Perth (5) 8; Claremont (2) 4.

VFL

GEELONG	2.3	11.6	16.9	19.12	126
CARLTON	2.1	9.3	12.7	15.7	107

GOALS: GEELONG: Jackson 6; Whitcombe 3; Johnston, Bright, Peake, Neal 2; Yeates, Okeefe 1. CARLTON: Ralph, Koukoumelis 3; Johnston 2; Honeybun, Buckley, Meldrum, Glascott, Marcou, Moclure, Madden 1.

BEST: GEELONG: Neal, Mossop, Turner, Johnston, Jackson, Reed. CARLTON: Johnston, Buckley, Marcou, Glascott, McConville. Played at Princes Park, attendance 27,738.

ESSENDON	4.2	12.8	20.12	26.17	169
COLLINGWOOD	3.5	5.7	10.8	16.10	106

GOALS: ESSENDON: Salmon 8; Dunell, Williams 3; Elsaug, Hawker 2; Neagle, Clarke, Van Der Haar, Buhagiar, Merritt, Madden, Watson, Bradbury 1. COLLINGWOOD: T. Shaw 4; Morwood, Williams, Russell 2; Abernethy, Andrews, Beers, McLain, McAllester, N. Shaw 1.

BEST: ESSENDON: Madden, Salmon, Neagle, Daniher, Williams, Bradbury, Watson. COLLINGWOOD: Phillips, T. Shaw, Allan Barham. Played at Windy Hill, attendance 27,000.

SYDNEY SWANS	8.4	14.7	19.9	22.13	145
ST KILDA	2.3	8.7	13.8	18.8	116

GOALS: SYDNEY SWANS: Round 5; Chilcott, Evans 3; Franglans, Rhys-Jones, Browning 2; Capper, Morwood, Housell, Daniher 1. ST KILDA: Lockett, Chiron 6; D. Cunningham 2; Cronan, Foschini, Crow, Smith 1.

BEST: SYDNEY SWANS: Browning, Evans, Round, Kruse, Rhys-Jones. ST KILDA: Elphinstone, Cronan, Lockett, Sidebottom, Narkle. Played at Moorabbin, attendance 15,127.

HAWTHORN	6.6	12.8	14.13	20.18	138
MELBOURNE	3.2	7.6	11.11	20.12	132

GOALS: HAWTHORN: Judge 5; Curran 4; Brereton, Matthews 3; Dipierdomenico, Tuck, Lester-Smith, Byrne, Robertson 1. MELBOURNE: Templeton 3; Tossol 4; Healey, Flower 2; Johnson, Tanner, Battison, Reynolds 1.

BEST: HAWTHORN: Judge, Tuck, Matthews, Brereton, Kennedy, Ayres, Curran. MELBOURNE: Templeton, Healey, Moore, Flower, Tossol, Johnson, Connolly. Played at the MCG, attendance 25,557.

FOOTSCRAY	8.2	9.4	17.10	25.14	164
NORTH MELBOURNE	5.6	8.12	11.15	14.17	101

GOALS: FOOTSCRAY: Rickman 6; Beasley 5; Dunne, Williams, Edmond 3; Edwards 2; Hawkins, Burton, Wallis 1. NORTH MELBOURNE: Bryant 4; Kelly 3; Jonas 2; Glendenning, Petraglia, Hodgeman, Schimmelbusch, Dwyer 1.

BEST: FOOTSCRAY: Purser, Rickman, Hawkins, Dunne, Edwards, Royal, Edmond. NORTH MELBOURNE: Greig, Kelly, Hodgeman, Bryant. Played at Arden Street, attendance 14,174.

RICHMOND	6.2	11.8	17.15	22.19	151
FITZROY	5.2	8.5	10.7	16.9	105

GOALS: RICHMOND: Roach 7; Jess 4; Annear 3; Pickering, Walsh 2; Rowlings, Rioli, Lee, Weightman 1. FITZROY: Quinlan, Scott 5; Wilson 2; Burwick, Thornton, Harris, Gotch 1.

BEST: RICHMOND: Jess, Roach, Lee, Pickering, Walsh, Landy, Annear. FITZROY: Osborne, Thornton, Harris, Coleman, Quinlan, Scot. Played at VFL Park, attendance 25,888.

LEADING VFL GOALKICKERS

24 — S. Beasley (Footscray); 22 — P. Salmon (Essendon); 19 — M. Jackson (Geelong); 18 — W. Ralph (Carlton); 16 — T. Lockett (St Kilda); 15 — B. Quinlan (Fitzroy); 13 — D. Rhys-Jones (Swans).



SANFL

SOUTH ADELAIDE	2.5	7.7	10.11	14.16	100
GLENELG	1.3	5.5	8.6	11.11	77

GOALS: SOUTH ADELAIDE: Cornes, Hatley 3; Hewitt, Schneebichler 2; Would, Slatery, Martin, Irvine 1; GLENELG: Motlop 4; Twelftree, McGuinness 2; A. Stringer, Kernahan, Holst.

BEST: SOUTH ADELAIDE: Naley, Martin, Butler, Fairclough, Dewhurst, Bennett, Cornes, P. Brooksby, G. Brooksby. GLENELG: Symonds, McGuinness, Kernahan, Marshall, Motlop, Seebohm. Played at Football Park, attendance 7,306.

WEST ADELAIDE	7.1	12.9	18.12	24.17	161
NORWOOD	3.3	5.5	9.8	14.13	97

GOALS: WEST ADELAIDE: Williams 5; Smith, Lindner, Morris 4; Fielke 2; Rechner, Mickan, Bennett, Borchart, Grosser 1. NORWOOD: Roberts, Thiele 3; Maynard, Aish 2; Hein, Gallagher, McIntosh, Marano 1.

BEST: WEST ADELAIDE: McKinnon, Mickan, Williams, Kantilafas, Smith, Dreher, Hamilton, Summerton. NORWOOD: McIntosh, Jenkins, Aish, Maynard. Played at Norwood Oval, attendance 7,607.

STURT	5.5	9.8	12.15	16.19	115
NORTH ADELAIDE	4.0	6.3	8.3	14.4	88

GOALS: STURT: Davies 4; Fielke, Whittlesea, Barbary, Derrington 2; Radbone, Downes 1. NORTH ADELAIDE: Dietrich 4; Eaves, Phillips 3; Riley, Antrobus, Simmons, Bennet 1.

BEST: STURT: Motley, Craig, Heinrich, Radbone, Paynter, Frost. NORTH ADELAIDE: Redden, Antrobus, Riley, Eaves, Armfield, Phillips. Played at Prospect Oval, attendance 5,120.

CENTRAL DISTRICT	4.6	12.10	13.12	21.20	146
WEST TORRENS	5.1	7.1	10.3	11.6	72

GOALS: CENTRAL DISTRICT: Wright 5; Wilson 4; Ruciack 3; Connolly 2; Roe, Beythein, Bubner, Edwards, Cousins, Platten, Norsworthy 1. TORRENS: Roberts, Hank 3; Lindsay 2; Grbac, Querzoli, Schimmelbusch 1.

BEST: CENTRAL DISTRICT: Ruclack, Roe, Platten, Prior, Hannam. TORRENS: Enright, Sarau, Stretch, Schimmelbusch, Robson. Played at Elizabeth Oval, attendance 6,291.

PORT ADELAIDE	8.5	10.10	16.15	23.17	155
WOODVILLE	2.1	10.4	11.10	14.13	97

GOALS: PORT ADELAIDE: T. Evans 9; Knight 3; R. Ebert 2; S. Williams 2; R. Evans 2; Russell, C. Ebers, Anderson, Bradley, Clifford 1. WOODVILLE: Beecroft 4; K. Harris, Lynch, Fuller, Flift 2; Blight, Krzeminski 1.

BEST: PORT ADELAIDE: Leslie, Bradley, Anderson, Clifford, R. Evans, Russell, Kinnear. WOODVILLE: K. Harris, Fuller, Jacquier, Krzeminski, Parker. Played at Thebarton Oval, attendance 7,000.

LEADING SANFL GOALKICKERS

24 — T. Evans (Port); 15 — G. Dietrich (North Adelaide); 12 — J. Roberts (Torrens), R. Davies (Sturt).

PREMIERSHIP

tables

WAFU TOWN & COUNTRY WA LADDER

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
SUBIACO	3	2	1	391	302	129.47	8
PERTH	3	2	1	398	328	121.34	8
SOUTH FREMANTLE	3	2	1	395	335	117.91	8
EAST PERTH	3	2	1	419	396	105.81	8
East Fremantle	3	2	1	307	352	87.22	8
Swan Districts	3	1	2	332	353	94.05	4
West Perth	3	1	2	329	440	74.77	4
Claremont	3	0	3	320	385	83.12	0

WAFU RESERVES

	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Pts
SOUTH FREMANTLE	2	0	1	521	374	139.30	10
EAST PERTH	2	1	0	421	332	126.80	8
SUBIACO	2	1	0	427	368	116.03	8
PERTH	2	1	0	303	379	79.94	8
East Fremantle	1	1	1	422	437	96.56	6
West Perth	1	2	0	431	431	100.00	4
Swan Districts	1	2	0	385	420	91.66	4
Claremont	0	3	0	291	463	62.85	0

WAFU COLTS

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
SOUTH FREMANTLE	3	3	0	272	188	144.68	12
EAST PERTH	3	3	0	348	252	138.09	12
CLAREMONT	3	2	1	300	216	138.88	8
SUBIACO	3	2	1	274	270	101.48	8
Perth	3	1	2	251	254	98.81	4
West Perth	3	1	2	222	286	77.62	4
Swan Districts	3	0	3	257	332	77.40	0
East Fremantle	3	0	3	210	336	62.50	0

VFL

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
GEELONG	3	3	0	379	261	145.2	12
HAWTHORN	3	3	0	378	331	114.2	12
CARLTON	3	2	1	417	299	139.5	8
ESSENDON	3	2	1	413	319	129.5	8
FOOTSCRAY	3	2	1	351	289	121.5	8
Collingwood	3	2	1	375	332	113.0	8
Richmond	3	2	1	341	320	106.6	8
Swans	3	2	1	346	338	102.4	8
Melbourne	3	0	3	337	370	91.1	0
Fitzroy	3	0	3	315	420	75.0	0
St Kilda	3	0	3	269	428	62.9	0
North Melbourne	3	0	3	256	470	54.5	0

SANFL

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
PORT ADELAIDE	3	3	0	414	263	63.15	6
CENTRAL DISTRICTS	3	3	0	360	240	60.00	6
SOUTH ADELAIDE	3	2	1	332	288	53.55	5
STURT	3	2	1	350	323	52.01	4
West Adelaide	3	2	1	323	314	50.71	4
Woodville	3	1	2	358	386	50.17	2
Glenelg	3	1	2	279	280	49.91	2
West Torrens	3	1	2	309	406	43.22	2
North Adelaide	3	0	3	262	349	42.88	0
Norwood	3	0	3	298	430	40.93	0



Chris Stasinowsky

SUBIACO	6.7	12.15	18.18	25.21	171
WEST PERTH	5.1	10.4	13.6	20.9	129

GOALS: SUBIACO: Braddy 5; Dawson 4; Western, Lawrence 3; Kelly, Cleary, Brennan, McArthur, Sells 2. WEST PERTH: Masters 6; Pola 4; Mountain 3; Gasteich, Davis 2; McPartland, Hathaway, Falconer 1. BEST: SUBIACO: Dawson, Braddy, Sells, Kelly, Lawrence, Western. WEST PERTH: Gasteich, Taylor, Masters, Mountain, Pola, Hewson.

STH FREM	7.5	14.10	21.16	26.18	174
SWAN DIST	2.1	7.5	13.8	24.12	126

GOALS: SOUTH FREMANTLE: Stasinowsky 6; Amoris 5; McGilvray 4; Hutchison, O'Donnell 3; Borthwick, Sims 2; Keyser 1. SWAN DISTRICTS: Holtzman, Jefferies, Caton 5; Hody, Moore 3; Allen, Blackaby, Clune 1. BEST: SOUTH FREMANTLE: Amoris, McGilvray, O'Donnell, Sims, Hutchison, McDonnell. SWAN DISTRICTS: Caton, Holtzman, Jefferies, Renfree, Amonini, Hody.

EAST FREM	9.10	9.16	13.20	19.22	136
CLAREMONT	3.0	11.2	14.7	20.11	131

GOALS: EAST FREMANTLE: Mitchell 6; Waterson, Buckley 4; Jensen, Sterrett 2; Carter 1. CLAREMONT: Gomm 5; Rowe 4; Hunter 3; Martin 2; D. Klemm, Lill, Howard, Williamson, Park, Rakich 1. BEST: EAST FREMANTLE: Mitchell, Jensen, Buckley, Wake, Foreman, Zupanovich. CLAREMONT: Williamson, Lill, Rakich, Gomm, Hunter, Tait.

PERTH	3.4	6.7	13.16	15.19	109
EAST PERTH	3.2	7.9	10.11	14.14	98

GOALS: PERTH: Stack, Gavranich 3; Ryder 2; Santostefano, Richardson, Freame, Hooker, Newman, Hill, Rowe 2; Da Rui, Cox, Delborrello, Sparks, Stewart, Maughan 1. BEST: PERTH: Prunster, Santostefano, Stack, O'Connell, Whittington, Hooker. EAST PERTH: Blakely, Cox, Hill, Berry, Cocker, Earnshaw.

WAFU COLTS

EAST PERTH 16.15 (111) d PERTH 13.5 (83)

GOALS: EAST PERTH: McKinlay, Ninyette 3; B. Atwell, Gianakakis, Stubbs, Bell 2; Hunter, Cross 1. PERTH: Ramshaw, Bennell, Willems 2; Pallier, Wearing, McKell, Vosbergen, Davis, Johnson, Nicholas 1. BEST: EAST PERTH: Bain, Best, Ninyette. PERTH: Bogards, Watson, Bennell.

SUBIACO 14.16 (100) d WEST PERTH 10.12 (72)

GOALS: SUBIACO: Tsgalis, Golisano, Batka 3; Douglas 2; Long, Metcalf, Robson 1. WEST PERTH: Hasler 3; Davies 2; Sadowski, Wilson, D. Brown, Blockley, Garlett 1. BEST: SUBIACO: McNish, Taagalis, Metcalf. WEST PERTH: Caifano, Garlett, D. Brown.

CLAREMONT 21.10 (135) d EAST FREM 12.8 (80)

GOALS: CLAREMONT: Begovich 6; Barron 5; Brayshaw 4; Saggors, Host, Passera, Habel, Hutton, Crute. EAST FREMANTLE: unavailable. BEST: CLAREMONT: Brayshaw, Begovich, Barron. EAST FREMANTLE: Terpsis, Johnson, Minotti.

S. FREM 15.13 (103) d S. DISTRICTS 16.6 (102)

GOALS: SOUTH FREMANTLE: Jakovich 5; Rowe 3; Rioli 2; Jeppa, Hardingham, Ryder, Tognolini, Graham 1. SWAN DISTRICTS: Hampson 3; Keinan, McDiamid, Stone, Kirwin 2; White, Farmer, Darling, De Graaf, March 1. BEST: SOUTH FREMANTLE: Nichol, Todd, Rioli. SWAN DISTRICTS: Dixon, Gray, White.

VFL RESERVES

Fitzroy 20.16 (136) d Richmond 14.16 (100); Geelong 19.16 (130) d Carlton 15.16; Sydney Swans 25.19 (169) d St Kilda 17.11 (113); Footscray 21.21 (147) d North Melbourne 14.13 (97); Essendon 27.15 (177) d Collingwood 15.12 (102); Melbourne 19.15 (129) d Hawthorn 16.15 (111).

TASMANIA

TANFL
Clarence 15.18 (108) d North Hobart 12.12 (84); Sandy Bay 20.13 (133) d New Norfolk 15.10 (100); Glenorchy 15.20 (110) d Hobart 10.16 (76

Teal Cup challenge

I have been appointed coach of the State under-18 team for the 1984 carnival in Sydney between June 6 and June 13.

It is an honour to be part of a team representing our State.

It is also a privilege to have former players Stan Nowotny (chairman of selectors), Chris Mitsopoulos and Eddie Pitter (selectors) as part of the team.

Eddie coached the team in 1982 and 1983.

These three represent great character and football experience — and those traits will surely benefit the State under-18 players.

All colts coaches have been involved in the nomination of gifted players to form a training squad that has had four sessions over the past three months.

These training sessions have been an outstanding success, allowing the players to get to know each other by playing volleyball, basketball, swimming and indoor cricket.

So far, the training has had nothing to do with football skills, just the basics on which team spirit will be built.

Any players wishing to try out for the junior State side can do so by contacting their particular league clubs or by ringing the WAFL's development officer, Ross Davis.

THE FALCONS OFF COURSE

A lot has been said about the disappointing performance of the Falcons in season 1983 and then again early this year.

Loss of senior players and injuries has been the most common reason given.

Since finishing the 1982 season on a very successful note, West Perth have embarked upon a plan that can only lead to failure.

Football clubs become impatient and, at times, want to achieve the impossible too quickly. Short cuts to premierships generally never succeed, the only policy is the one that takes time to develop.

Swan Districts and Claremont have taken six years to build teams based on individual character, predominantly being home-grown — (country or metropolitan).

The Falcons have recruited the wrong players.

In most cases the players do have ability but the most important ingredient for a recruit is to find out why he wants to play.

Money can not be the sole reason as this does not bring "deep rooted" club loyalty.

Perhaps the greatest blow has been the easy path most of these recruits have had into the league side.

Ramsay Bogunovich, Noel Mugavin, Michael Lockman and Bradley Ross, to

Recruiting plan is doomed

name a few, have been considered better than all the other Falcons in the reserves and have had the "dream run" many younger players train all summer for.

Lockman and Ross were brought straight into the league side for the game against East Perth. Not only were West Perth thrashed, but the next week Ross was dropped to the reserves.

It wouldn't be hard to imagine how the other players at West Perth feel about that!

This path is strewn with danger as the club can lose that inner club feeling or commitment from younger players in the reserves, colts and country zone.

When they can't see encouragement to get to the top a club's playing future stagnates.

Clubs must learn that if teams are going to lose (as happens to every club) then the only course to follow is to develop local juniors.


Spend what money you have on your juniors and establish the foundation of all West Australian football, — Juniors.

Supporters don't like losing, but they can accept it more favourably if they can see a future being groomed with young players, rather than 'fly by nights' who, in many cases are not genuinely interested and also not good enough to take their place as a league player in the WAFL competition.

Statistics show that the percentage of long-range benefits from Victorian recruits for WA clubs is absolutely minimal.

Our lifeblood is our own Juniors — success comes from them!

Dorro's Diary



By Grant Dorrington

THE FOOTY GAME EVERYONE CAN PLAY!



\$30,000 cash must be won

CHICKEN TREAT

GOALS

See this week's Western Mail



Was West Perth coach Dennis Cometti pulling big ruckman Ramsay Bogunovich by the hair because he needed more height around the ground? One would not think so considering Bogunovich stands at 201cm. Therefore, it must have been a playful tug because the young giant had played his best game for the Falcons in over a season. It was also a change to see Cometti smiling.

Time for action on numbers

SOMETHING must be done immediately about the guernsey numbers for players as shown in the Football Budget.

Each week from the colts to the league, but particularly in the lower grades, up to seven players per game have incorrect numbers.

The football public and media require the correct information, especially when the Budget costs 50c a week. But even more importantly, the game requires a professional level of organisation — the Budget numbers are becoming a farce.

Each year this is complained about by all football followers and the same excuses are given by the clubs.

It is now time for action. The WAFL Board of Directors needs to implement immediate fines for each incorrect jumper number.

I'm sure the fines will eliminate this problem instantly.

TOUCH OF CLASS

The Swan Districts-South Fremantle reserves game saw some high scoring with 50 goals being kicked between the two teams.

New Darwin recruit Kevin Caton showed a neat touch of class, kicking five goals in the second half. He has pace with excellent ball skills and — perhaps one of the most important requirements for success — he is beautifully balanced.

Caton, with fellow recruit Joe Ahmat, is sure to give Swans supporters something to talk about following the departure of brilliant skills players Phil Narkle and Leon Baker to the VFL.

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