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BROWN HITS OUT

SOUTH Fremantle, fresh from Monday's goal-slaughter of East Perth, now face one of football's toughest challenges — to play four league games in 13 days.

The Bulldogs coach Malcolm Brown is annoyed that Souths have again been allocated two Monday games in a season — giving the side just five days before their next fixture.

This year the problem facing South is compounded — they play Perth this Saturday, travel to Melbourne to meet St Kilda in the Sterling Cup series on Tuesday night and then front up to West Perth on Saturday week.

"It's traditional that South have a Monday game on the June long weekend because of the Foundation Day derby," says Brown. "So we shouldn't have to play on the Monday over Easter."

"Our program this season makes it even tougher."

"It means that I have to rest players like John Hayes and Noel Carter, who just cannot keep coming up fresh for games so close together. And we'll be without players like Stephen Mount and Warren Mosconi, who cannot be available."

Brown's ability to build the side up for big games such as the East Perth encounter will really be put to the test as the Bulldogs prepare to do battle with Perth and West Perth.

I WILL BE BACK



BY
GARY STOCKS

... says Ron Boucher

FOOTBALL tough man Ron Boucher will be back in league action this year.

Despite coach John Todd's feeling that Boucher will never play again, "Roo", as he is affectionately known at Bassendean, is keen to prove him wrong.

The Swan Districts ironman has been side-lined since last year's grand final and he is desperate to continue his playing career — as soon as possible.

The injury almost forced him out of that final side, but he gambled on his knee lasting the game and Boucher played a vital role in Swans' premiership when his strength and marking ability were tremendous assets.

While Todd feels that Boucher will not play this season, the burly ruckman is determined he will.

After the 1983 grand final Boucher had an exploratory operation to determine the trouble, but doctors still have not diagnosed the exact problem.

"Some say it's the lateral ligaments and others say it's the tendons," Boucher says. "All I know is that it's no good at the moment."

"If I was a racehorse they would shoot me."

"I'm not getting any younger, but I reckon I will play again this season."

"And even if I don't come good in time I will be back in 1985."

"It's extremely difficult to be looking on, particularly if the side is going bad. I don't enjoy watching football and if we make the grand final and I can't play I will go fishing," the 31-year-old health inspector says.

Overcoming injuries is nothing new to the Swans muscle man.

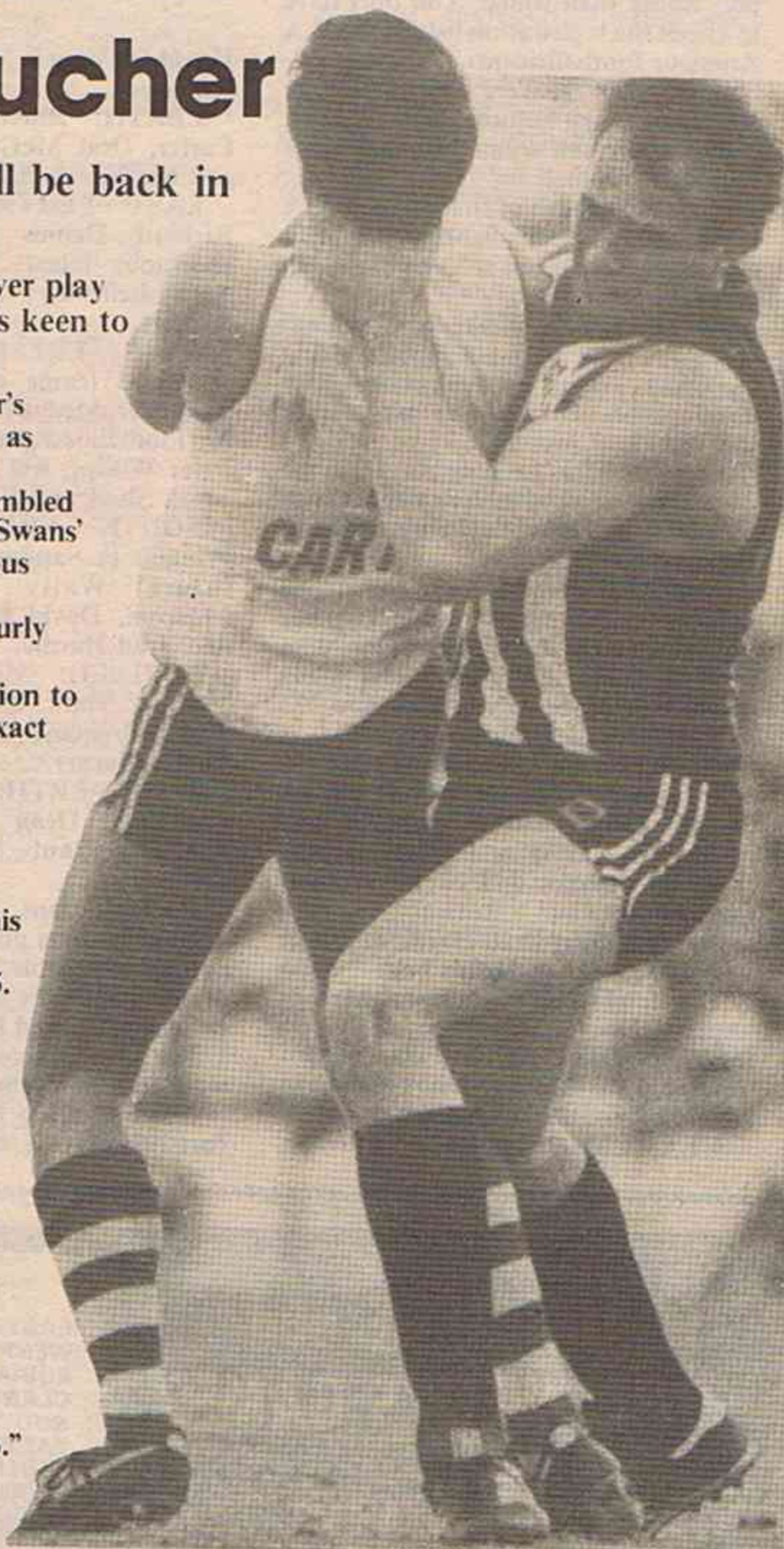
Back and leg problems took their toll during his career, but he has always been able to fight back.

He struggled for matches earlier in his career and in the late 1970s moved to Gingin to play.

He was coaxed back to Bassendean Oval by Todd and since then he has developed a cult following among the Swan Districts supporters. Every time he goes near the ball there are chants in the stands and around the ground of "Roo, Roo, Roo."

If everything goes the way Boucher hopes he will play early in the third series.

Until then the only action Boucher will see will be when he carries the water bottle for the league team.



Ron Boucher in a typically aggressive mood.



FOOTBALL SPORTSWORLD

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With Kim Hagdorn

STOP MAKING EXCUSES

WHY people find excuses not to go to the football is bewildering.

With the season only four weeks old, we already have the problem of poor attendances.

With the typically superb West Aussie weather we have had for four weeks, there seems no reason for the poor crowds at league football.

The problem is that the majority of West Australians are competitors.

The large proportion of national and international champions we have per head of population compared with the likes of Victoria bears testament to that.

The problem football administrators face is somewhat of an 'anti' Life Be In It campaign.

The encouragement our lazy fat friend Norm gave us in the 70's and 80's toward activity, has drained sporting establishments of gate potential.

People, and particularly West Australians, have adopted an attitude of play rather than watch. You only have to check the registration lists of the WA Amateur football teams.

Some 5000 players line up in the Amateurs every Saturday.

The end result seems to be the poor crowds at football for 1984.

With the exodus of so many fine WA players to the bright lights of the VFL, our standards do not seem as high as in the past.

As long as fans believe this, they will stay away from the game, thus depriving themselves of witnessing the development of many fine young stars in the WAFL at present.

Every club has exciting players in the 21 years of age and under category with the ability and potential to become a top player.

East Perth seem to have the largest number of youngsters while reigning premiers Swans the fewest. At the same time the black and whites have a big proportion of the side in their mid 20's bracket with plenty of experience.

South Fremantle and East Fremantle seem to have some electrifying players of the future with youngsters like Murray Wrensted and Paul Harding from the Sharks and Nicky Winmar from Souths.

Not forgetting Brad Hardie is just 21 with 100 games under his belt.

The club line up of young talent reads impressively.

SWAN DISTRICTS: Peter Sartori (probably the most versatile big man in the game) and Brent Hutton.

CLAREMONT: Dean Farmer,



Brad Hardie

David O'Connell, Mark Hann and Billy Krakouer.

PERTH: Rhett Baynes, Lindsay Carter, Oral McGuire, Earl Spalding and Ian Newman.

EAST PERTH: Tony Papotto, Richard Dennis (17-year-olds with enormous talent) Michael Christian, Alex Ishchenko, Lance Kelly and Glen Bartlett.

EAST FREMANTLE: Murray Wrensted (came close to winning a Sandover Medal in his first season of top football last year) Michael Brennan, Peter Wilson, Bill Jones, Ray Sterrett, Mark Shaw and Paul Harding.

SOUTH FREMANTLE: Nicky Winmar (a Sandover Medallist of the future) Wally Matera, Warren Mosconi, David Hart, Rod Grljusich and Brad Hardie.

SUBIACO: Michael Mort, Paul Wilson, Mark Zanotti, Greg Kelly, Todd Breman, Clinton Brown and Bevan Warner.

WEST PERTH: Craig Nelson, Dean Falconer, Dean Warwick, Derek Kickett, Paul Mifka and John Gastevich.

Football fans and administrators must keep these players in the game for as long as possible, but it is only a matter of time before the talent scouts from the eastern sea board lure them away.

For the sceptics who feel the standards have fallen, the facts are there.

There is a big band of young stars currently playing league football in WA.



EAST Perth were certainly well and truly bitten by the Bulldogs on Monday when they suffered the biggest defeat in their history. But at least they won one canine battle during the day. This young dog wandered onto Perth Oval to give South Fremantle an advantage — but East Perth trainer Darren Scheepens made a quick head count and realising the Bulldogs had 19 "players" took matters into his own hands to remove the intruder from the arena.

BANNER AT LAST

SUBIACO might have lost badly against Claremont on Saturday, but for the first time this year they had a banner to run through. It seems that after having won two games and gone so close against West Perth, the Subiaco Cheer Squad regrouped and decided it wasn't a waste of time preparing a banner for their league team to crash through. Incidentally, the youngsters continued the high standard set by WA's cheer squads and it was great to see. Keep up the good work.

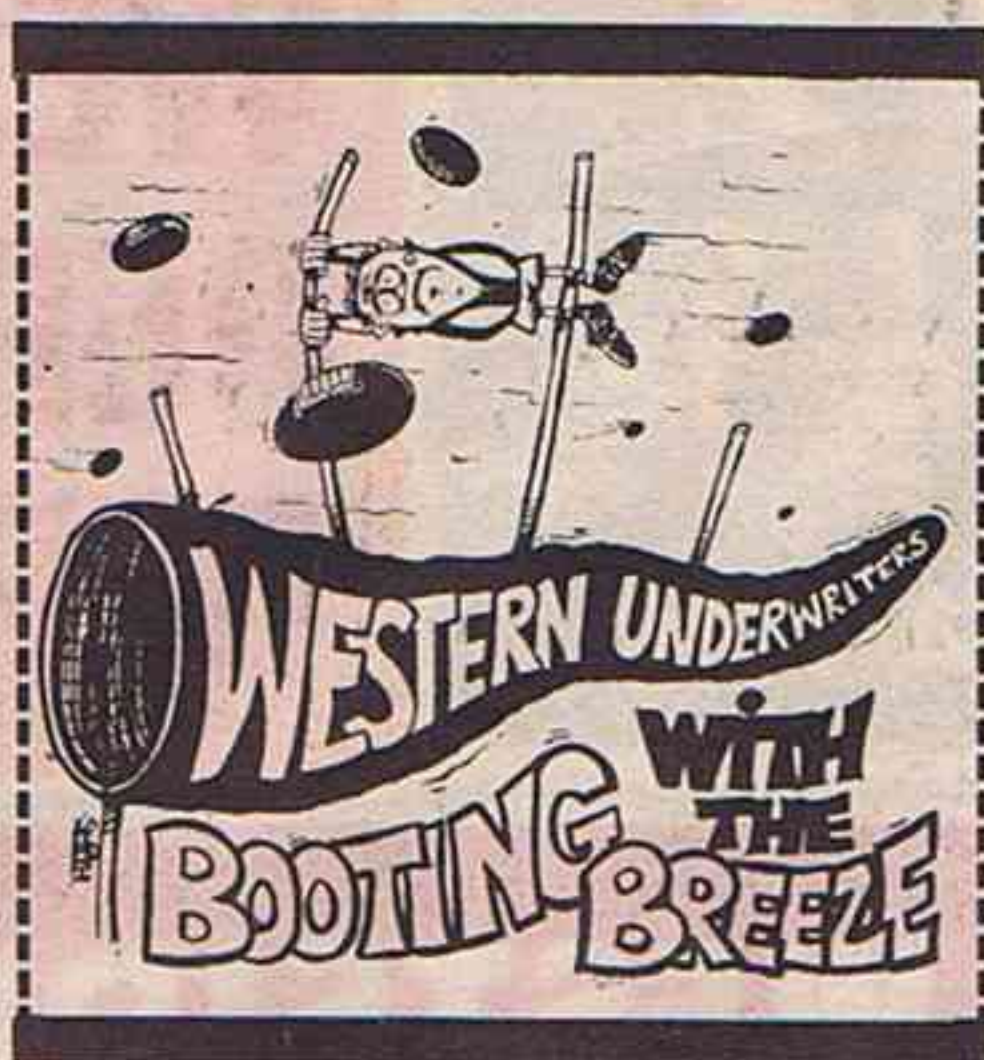
CLOSE SHAVE

SUPPORTERS at Monday's game between Swan Districts and Perth could have been excused for thinking that Swans had cheated by playing Mike Richardson. In fact it was Mike's twin brother Steve, who had had a shave between last week's game against South Fremantle and Monday's clash. Without the beard, he is a dead ringer for his brother.

Incidentally, Mike was at the game on Monday. He is recovering from a knee operation and came home to watch his twin brother in action — and try to find a big ruckman for Collingwood.

SWANS HELPER

SWAN Districts coach John Todd had a special reason for wanting his players to win on Monday. One of the club's greatest stalwarts, Cyril Litterick, has been ill lately and Todd asked the former Swans star to address the players before the match, which he did. At the presentations in the clubrooms after the victory Todd paid tribute to Litterick, who played for the club in the 1960s, and said that his team had won for the former great.



STICKING TOGETHER

EAST Perth are a club that pulls together in a time of trouble — and they are set to continue with that tradition. They will hold a benefit night for Wes Coutts, who was remanded in custody after a court appearance. They plan to hold a disco at the club on Saturday night after the game against Subiaco. Two of the guest DJ's will be star full-forward John Scott and back-pocket player Greg Carpenter. All members and their guests are urged to attend. The money raised will go towards covering Coutts' court costs.

TOYOTA TIPSTERS

THE Football Media Guild of WA has received sponsorship form Toyota for their media tipsters poll. The Guild covers almost 100 radio, TV and print media people including writers, commentators, photographers and technical people. Toyota will provide a \$200 prize for the top tipster in each round of football, plus \$400 for the leading tipster at the end of the season.

STATE TRIALS

Players under consideration for this year's Town & Country State 17s squad will be on trial next Sunday in a special game at Subiaco Oval at 10am.

The players, coached by Grant Dorrington, will be chasing spots in the WA team for the Teal Cup competition being held in Sydney between June 6 — 12.

This season's carnival looms as WA's best chance to win its first Teal Cup.

ASIAN MISSION

WELL known football identity Jack Sweet has just taken off on a three-week holiday to Bangkok and Hong Kong. The former East Perth star will still try to follow the fortunes of his old club, but just in case they aren't doing so well when he returns he left with a word of warning: "I might have to bring some players back with me."

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WEST PERTH	L L W L	v Claremont at Leederville
SUBIACO	W W L L	v East Perth at Subiaco
CLAREMONT	L L L W	v West Perth at Leederville
SOUTH FREMANTLE	W L W W	v Perth at Fremantle
EAST PERTH	W W L L	v Subiaco at Subiaco
PERTH	W L W L	v South Fremantle at Fremantle
SWAN DISTRICTS	L W L W	v East Fremantle at Bassendean



Footballer of the Year

- P. Harding (EF) 6
- M. Wrensted (EF) 4
- J. Scott (EP) 4
- R. Baynes (P) 4



Goalkicker of the Year

- John Scott 26
- Don Holmes 19
- Clinton Brown 18
- Brad Hardie 16
- Mick Rea 13

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This week's winner

L. Butcher, Esperance.

What a start!



IT is a long time since we have had such a spectacular start to a WAFL season.

The first three games saw some of last year's "also-rans" do well — and then last week we saw the traditional pacesetters Swan Districts, South Fremantle and Claremont bounce back with vengeance.

However, despite the closeness of the competition and the rise to power by some of the lesser lights of past years, the fans are still staying away.

While the attendance figures would worry the WAFL's new Board of Directors, there is no real cause for concern — YET.

If Perth, East Perth, East Fremantle and Subiaco can maintain early-season performances and if Swans and, in particular, Claremont can get their acts together, then I am sure we will have an excellent season crowd-wise.

At this stage of the season I believe that Subiaco, Perth and East Perth — and I don't mean to be derogatory in my comments — do not have total credibility in the eyes of the football public.

It takes time to convince fans that a team has a real chance of playing in the final. ~~Previously after clubs have been out of the real action for several seasons.~~

You only have to take a look at what happened last year to realise the truth in this comment.

When Subiaco won their first two games last year, they were being hailed as the big improvers and then, in the third round, they came up against South Fremantle.

It was said to be their biggest test of the season and 12,000 fans poured into Subiaco Oval to see if the Lions could continue on their winning way.

Most people were hoping they could. But South Fremantle beat them by 18 goals and when they met the Lions in the second series of matches at Fremantle Oval, Subiaco had not won another match.

For that reason only 3000 people saw the second contest — and Peter Daniel was sacked as Subiaco coach.

I am convinced that a large number of general supporters think that the winning run of these teams will be the same as it did last season.

However, if it doesn't happen then supporters will go to watch these teams and I am confident we will get the attendances at the game that the competition deserves.



TVW7 Commentator

JOHN ROGERS

is this week's

Guest Columnist

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Come off it Ducky!

IT is extremely disappointing to hear former West Perth ironman John Duckworth continually question the courage of Claremont ruck-rover Allen "Shorty" Daniels.

I ask the question — in which way is Daniels best able to serve the Tigers?

Should he tackle someone of Duckworth's size and end up unconscious? Or should he continue to wisely get out of the road, complete the game and pick up the many kicks, marks and handballs that he always does?

Shorty understands his physical limitations and plays the game accordingly — and with great effect.

He has been one of the players responsible for the Tigers being a force in the competition over the last few years and his style of football has been a valuable asset for Claremont.

Just because Shorty's physical make-up and type of player are alien to Duckworth, it does not mean that Daniels lacks courage.

And comments like the one Duckworth made about Shorty going to South Africa for a heart transplant, etc, etc, are not constructive and do nothing to further the cause of football.

It takes a special type of courage to play league football and no man who has ever pulled on a league guernsey should indirectly be accused of being a coward.

Duckworth's tremendous knowledge of football will ensure that he has a long career in the media. He does not need to denigrate footballers in order to build a media image.

As I said before, his football knowledge will be enough to do that.



I saw one of the bright young hopes at South Fremantle in action at Perth Oval on Monday. Mark Keyser (No.48) won the reserves fairest and best award for the Bulldogs last year and is among a talented array of new faces preparing to assert their authority on local football. It is great to see so many up and coming players slotting into league football.

Crunch!!

I COULD not help but feel sorry for poor old Peter Spencer on Monday, yet again he was on the receiving end of a great bump and had to leave the field. Spencer has taken more knocks than any other player I have seen. he just seems to pop up at the wrong place at the wrong time.

Benny Vigona was the player who lined him up with a great hip and shoulder on Monday and when Spencer left the ground he was badly concussed.

The top clubs miss out

Last year in this column I said that in order to bolster the playing strengths of the weaker clubs it was imperative that we implement a draft system.

And when I made the statement, I believed such a system would ensure a more even competition.

How prophetic those comments were — in reverse!

Instead of the draft system to assist the weaker clubs we have had the reverse situation which has seen Swan Districts and Claremont suffer enormously by losing top players to Victoria — and last year's bottom teams have effectively retained their existing players.

In addition, those lowly clubs of 1983 have picked up several stylish recruits from the country, other WAFL clubs or from other competitions in the metropolitan area.

The result of this was reflected in the early change in the top four and the most even start that we have had to our competition for some time.



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IAN MILLER

THE CYCLE TURNS

LAST week I mentioned the importance of players having the right attitude or mental preparation to perform at their highest level. When skill and fitness are relatively equal there is only one difference—ATTITUDE. The Perth players were certainly given a lesson from reigning premiers Swan Districts in this department on Monday! Swans were desperate, committed and disciplined in their approach to the game — in the same way Perth were against East Perth just one week earlier. Oh, the cycle is quick to turn.

JOHN Todd would have been pleased with the effort of Kim Hetherington at full-back on Monday. He punched the ball away from big Mick Rea all day and followed it up to start many attacking moves from defence. But he wasn't alone. Peter Ware struck form and did the same while Murray Rance compensated their pace with a strong and skilful exhibition at centre-half-back. He kicked the ball extremely well and turned defence into attack with monotonous regularity. It was great to see an excellent crowd at Bassendean — it is a shame they only saw half a game of competitive football.



Kim Hetherington

TALENTED BIG MEN

I SPENT last Saturday afternoon watching East Fremantle and West Perth on the ABC country network and once again I was impressed by the performance of Paul Harding. His ruck work is strong and decisive and he complements this with mobility around the ground. When you take a look at some of the talented young ruckmen around it is a formidable group. Harding, David O'Connell, Craig Nelson, Peter Sartori, Craig Edwards, Rhett Baynes, Ian Newman and Dean Farmer all slot into that category.

TWO RUNNERS

I STILL believe there is a case for the use of two runners — officially — for each team as long as only one of them is on the ground at one time. It would also mean the umpire has responsibility over both runners. Such is not the case when clubs use one runner plus players dressed up in trainers outfits, giving them two runners on the ground any time they desire. I know Perth could do that same, but that is not the argument.

CENTREMAN

ANOTHER impressive performance to come out of the East Fremantle — West Perth clash was that of Murray Wrensted. Even though he plays in the centre he covers plenty of ground, while playing the position to perfection. Everything he does is aimed towards helping the team and he uses the ball brilliantly with either hand or foot. He has also impressed in the way he endeavours to get in first for the ball and he is always prepared to commit his body.

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PREVIEW

A look at Saturday's WAFL league fixtures

OUR EXPERTS SELECT:

	Tally	South Frem v Perth	Swans v East Frem	W. Perth v Claremont	E. Perth v Subiaco
MOTHER BROWN	11	South Fremantle	Swans	Claremont	Subiaco
GARY CARVOLTH	10	South Fremantle	Swans	Claremont	Subiaco
KIM HAGDORN	9	South Fremantle	Swans	Claremont	East Perth
IAN MILLER	8	Perth	Swans	Claremont	East Perth
GRANT DORRINGTON	8	South Fremantle	Swans	Claremont	East Perth
DAVE CLEMENT	8	South Fremantle	Swans	Claremont	East Perth
ALAN EAST	7	South Fremantle	Swans	Claremont	East Perth
PETER POAT	7	South Fremantle	Swans	Claremont	East Perth
JOHN DUCKWORTH	5	South Fremantle	Swans	West Perth	East Perth
ROBERT BENNETT	5	South Fremantle	Swans	Claremont	East Perth
GARY STOCKS	4	South Fremantle	Swans	Claremont	East Perth
MOST FAVOURED	8	South Fremantle	Swans	Claremont	East Perth

TIGERS WILL SNARL AGAIN

CLAREMONT can win their second game in succession when they meet West Perth at Leederville Oval on Saturday.

The Falcons have the nucleus of a good side, particularly now that half-forward Doug Simms is regaining his dangerous flair.

With Less Fong almost certain to be fit enough to take his place West Perth look much better.

However, one cannot disregard the performance of Claremont last week. While they have a long way to go before they can be compared to the teams which played in the last three grand finals, they began to show their true ability against the Lions.

Darrell Panizza, Allen Daniels, Steve Goulding, Steve Malaxos and Michael Mitchell give the Tigers enough small man power to create more than a few headaches for West Perth.



By GARY STOCKS

SUBIACO IN TROUBLE

THINGS have suddenly turned sour for Subiaco — and they don't look like improving this Saturday.

After two magnificent victories, they have now suffered two inglorious losses and on Saturday they meet East Perth.

Last week Subiaco went back to the old style which has been so unsuccessful for them. They criss-crossed the ball all over the ground and this enhanced Claremont's prospects of regaining control.

The Lions cannot afford to play like that against East Perth.

The Royals are angry about Monday's humiliation. They know that early wins could carry them into the four because of the closeness of the competition this year and they will not want to drop a game against Subiaco. centre-half-forward Grant Campbell and full-forward John Scott.



Subiaco centreman Peter Featherby breaks away from Claremont captain Noel Morton.

Dismal day for Perth

PERTH will not be looking forward to meeting South Fremantle at the port club's home ground on Saturday.

They still have their Demon tails between their legs after their inept performance against Swan Districts on Monday and they have not had time to recover from the shell-shock.

On the other hand the Bulldogs mercilessly dumped East Perth on Monday and they are brim full of confidence.

South have more pace around the ground than they have had for several years and that will cause Perth problems. It was obvious they were top heavy against Swans.

David Hart is the form rover in the competition and he did more than any other player to set South on their winning way on Monday.

In addition Paul Vasoli, Jon Dorotich and Stephen Michael showed they were not far from peak form and they will also provide headaches for Ian Miller.

Perth badly need some of their lesser-lights to rise to the occasion to give Rhett Baynes, Bryan Cousins and Robert Wiley some support.

In addition, Peter Bosustow will have to do a lot more than he did against Swans.

South appear to have a greater spread of talent around the ground and that should see them through.

Swans have all the incentive

GAME-of-the-day status will undoubtedly go to the Swan Districts — East Fremantle clash at Bassendean Oval.

Swans will be desperate for victory as they celebrate their 50th anniversary and after the way they played last week there is no reason why they cannot cap off the day with four points.

They were ruthless against Perth and played the brand of football local fans have grown accustomed to seeing in the last few years.

Half forward Don Holmes was the man who sparked them into action and the half-back given the task of minding him this Saturday will have a difficult assignment.

The job will probably go to Glen Hout, an exciting defender in the East Fremantle camp.

An interesting duel should be seen when Murray Wrensted and Brad Shine come up against each other in the middle of the ground.

East Fremantle will need Paul Harding to take charge in the ruck if they are to have any chance.

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By respected veteran football writer ROBERT BENNETT



Big winners — big losers

IS it a case of "early-ripe, early-rotten" for South Fremantle?

As was the case last year, they are starting to look a million dollars in qualifying rounds.

But if ever a side has not got value for money in recent years it has been the Bulldogs.

Last season was a classical example. Though South lost only three qualifying games they fell in a heap in the finals.

PRESSURE

Apart from 1980, they haven't been able to withstand the pressure-cooker atmosphere of final round games in recent years.

South have been almost a permanent fixture in the top four since 1975. The only two times they missed a spot was in 1977 and 1982 when they finished fifth.

On the seven occasions in the past nine years when they have made the finals, they have reached either preliminary or grand final... yet managed only one premiership.

They have taken some awful stick in those finals.

Consider some of the drubbings dished out to them: 23.17 — 7.9 (1975 GF); 20.19 — 20.21 (1976 PF); 27.15 — 9.11 (1978 PF) and 26.19 — 15.11 (1983 PF).

South would probably have strung together quite a few premierships if the finals were played at Fremantle Oval.

INVINCIBLE

They have been almost invincible on their home ground, but it has been a different story when they get on to Subiaco Oval.

At times it has almost appeared as though South have two teams — one that plays at home and another that ventures to other grounds.

Will this year be any different?

South supporters need only to point to the drubbing their team dished out to East Perth on Monday to say that it will be different.

Though they lost to East Fremantle, the Bulldogs are certainly shaping as the team to beat this season.

They had little trouble handling last year's grand finalists Claremont and Swan Districts.

THE BIG TEST

East Fremantle's big test will come at Bassendean this week.

Despite their early good form, I would be reluctant to put any money on South to win the flag... just on past performances.

They should have notched up a couple more premierships under Brown.

They were certainly the best team in 1979 and blew the grand final against Claremont in 1981 with atrocious kicking for goals in the second term.

Claremont should never have had a look-in at half-time in the match.

And then there was last season when they carried virtually everything before them in the qualifying rounds yet couldn't even make the grand final.

Though they lost Bruce Monteath, South appeared to have done better than Claremont and Swans in the player department this season.

They have recruited well... how a club could ever let a big man of Craig Edwards' talent and age go to an opposing club is beyond me... and have some of the most promising players in the competition.

There is little doubt South will be at Subiaco Oval in September... but will it again be a case of "early-ripe, early-rotten"?

THE HOOD

WA's most feared footy columnist.



P.A.Y.E. FOOTY

THERE has been a lot of talk about pegging player-payments to ground receipts in a bid to stabilise football's balance sheet. Well, the huge crowd that turned up at Perth Oval on Monday to witness what promised to be a great contest deserved to have a refund. East Perth looked absolute imposters as they played inept schoolboy-standard football against a slick South Fremantle. Hopefully, the Royals players had their pay heavily docked after the match. Maybe they should even pay some back to the WAFB to help compensate for crowd receipts as many of those football fans might not be back again this season after witnessing such a debacle.



SOLID SUPPORT

ROD Evans is certainly one of East Perth's most distinguished supporters, a long-serving patron and a generous benefactor when it comes to fund-raising and so forth. Of course, Mr Evans is also a Perth City Councillor... and a well-known bookmaker and racehorse owner. And now, as our Perth Oval picture shows, his bookmaking services have joined the ranks of arena advertisers as East Perth continue to set a fast pace in attracting sponsors. Incidentally, that's former Royal Craig Edwards showing his Bulldog spirit by soaring over East Perth's Glen Bartlett.

CROOK SHOW

I WASN'T too impressed with the Police Academy when they refused to give young South Fremantle half-back Warren Mosconi a few hours off to play football. Fair enough he has chosen to take on a job where there are no public holidays, but I believe there was only about two hours involved and he could have got a few hours off. I also understand that he will be under a cloud for the annual Foundation Day derby next month. I wonder if the bloke putting the spanner in the works is a Swan Districts supporter.

PHYLLIS WINS

Last week I began a competition for the best comment passed over the fence by vocal supporters and the first winner is Phyllis Fitzgerald, of Cloverdale. She wins a double pass to City Theatres. She relates the story of a trip to the football with a friend to watch the Swans reserves. Gavin Outridge pulled down a great mark and a man sitting in front of the two ladies yelled, "now see if you can kick it as good as your father." At which the friend yelled back "He's better than his father." The gentleman then retorted: "Harry Outridge was a terrific footballer and a great kick, I should know, I know him better than you." She replied: "You want to bet. I married him."

•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.

FAIR GO, TIGERS

COME on Claremont, play fair! Why wasn't Steve Finch included in your team when it was published in The West Australian on Friday morning? Finch's name was in the Football Budget, alongside his newly-gained No. 44 guernsey, so you had plenty of time to announce his selection on Thursday night.

HARD WORKER

EAST Perth's full-forward John Scott is renowned for his desperation and hard work and he's certainly not a 'softie' when it comes to putting in. So it was interesting to watch Scott go to the mud piled up in the gutter behind the goals during the second quarter and rub dirt all over his hands. He obviously didn't want to be accused of not getting his hands dirty during the day!



TOUGH, LUCK IRISH

TALKING about John Scott, you have to feel sorry for the irrepressible John Hayes after last Monday's game. Irish had the misfortune to be dragged off the ground in the previous game for only the second time in his 16-year career, so the Bulldog veteran was determined to make amends, especially against his old side. Hayes played the full back's role to perfection against Scott, the League's leading goalkicker. He played Scott tight, punched the ball away intelligently and starved the Royals forward. But a combination of luck, bad umpiring and perseverance saw Scott still finish up with five majors. What more could Hayes have done, you may well ask.

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SIX years ago a scrawny young bush footballer made the most important decision of his career.

He decided to grab his bags, head to the city lights and try out in the big league with Claremont.

And now Noel Morton is the club's captain.

No-one could realise how big that decision is for an 18-year-old who has spent his entire life in the country — unless they have done it themselves.

Morton had to pack up his entire life, leave his family behind, find a job in Perth and then concentrate on his football as well.

The country regions of the West provide the eight WAFL clubs with some of the stars of the competition and Morton is one of them.

He admits it was difficult in his first year in the city, but he gradually grew used to it and now he is quite at home.

He has a good job with TNT Transport, has married and at the start of this season

Noel Morton

was appointed as the new club skipper. Morton plays the game hard and because of the way he tackles his task, he has earned the respect of the opposition and his team-mates alike.

The 23-year-old utility player was a logical choice to take over the reins as skipper when Graham Moss announced his retirement at the end of last season.

Morton was his deputy last year and is one of the most consistent players at the club.

He began his career as a half-forward, but he made his mark in latter games as one of the toughest half-backs in the game.

This season he has played mainly as a wingman or in the centre and he has responded to the challenge of the added responsibility.

Morton's idol as a youngster was former Claremont and State half-back Vern Orr and there is a remarkable resemblance in the way both players tackle the game.

Orr was an extremely effective defender who also hailed from Newdegate. He, like Morton, always attacked the ball and did his job with the minimum of fuss.

Orr won the club's 1971 fairest and best award and Morton has all the credentials to follow in his footsteps in that regard.

While Claremont would have liked a better start to the season, Morton has begun solidly and as he becomes accustomed to the captaincy he will improve further.

PERSONAL DETAILS

Name: Noel Morton
Date of birth: 13/12/60
Place of birth: Cottesloe
Height: 180cm (5ft 11in)
Weight: 79kg (12st 6lb)
Previous club: Newdegate
Occupation: Freight Clerk with TNT Transport
Major awards: Runner-up fairest and best Newdegate 1978
Marital Status: Married
Wife's name: Valda
Children's names (if any): None
Other sporting interests: Cricket, Athletics
Favourite actor: Sylvester Stallone
Favourite movie: Stripes
Favourite food: Lasagna
Favourite drink: Ouzo and Coke
Nickname: Morts
Why: A short version of my surname
Favourite book: None

Car: Falcon
Career highlight: Playing in the 1981 premiers side
Worst moment in football: I have got two. The 1982 and 1983 losing grand finals.
Hard things in football: Consistency and staying injury-free
How do you mentally prepare for a game: I have quiet Friday nights and Saturday mornings when I just try to relax
Football idols: Vern Orr
Ambitions: To captain Claremont to a premiership
Advice to youngsters: To listen to everything everyone tells them
First league position: Half-forward-flank
Current position: Centre
Favourite position: Wing / Centre
Biggest influence on your career: Father, Bill
Games played: 95
League debut: 1979
Guernsey number: 4

MILESTONE MEN

50 GAMES

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

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

100 GAMES

Barry Kimberley (SD) 99*
 Peter Murnane (WP) 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) 146
 Neil Taylor (S) 145

* 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) 193*
 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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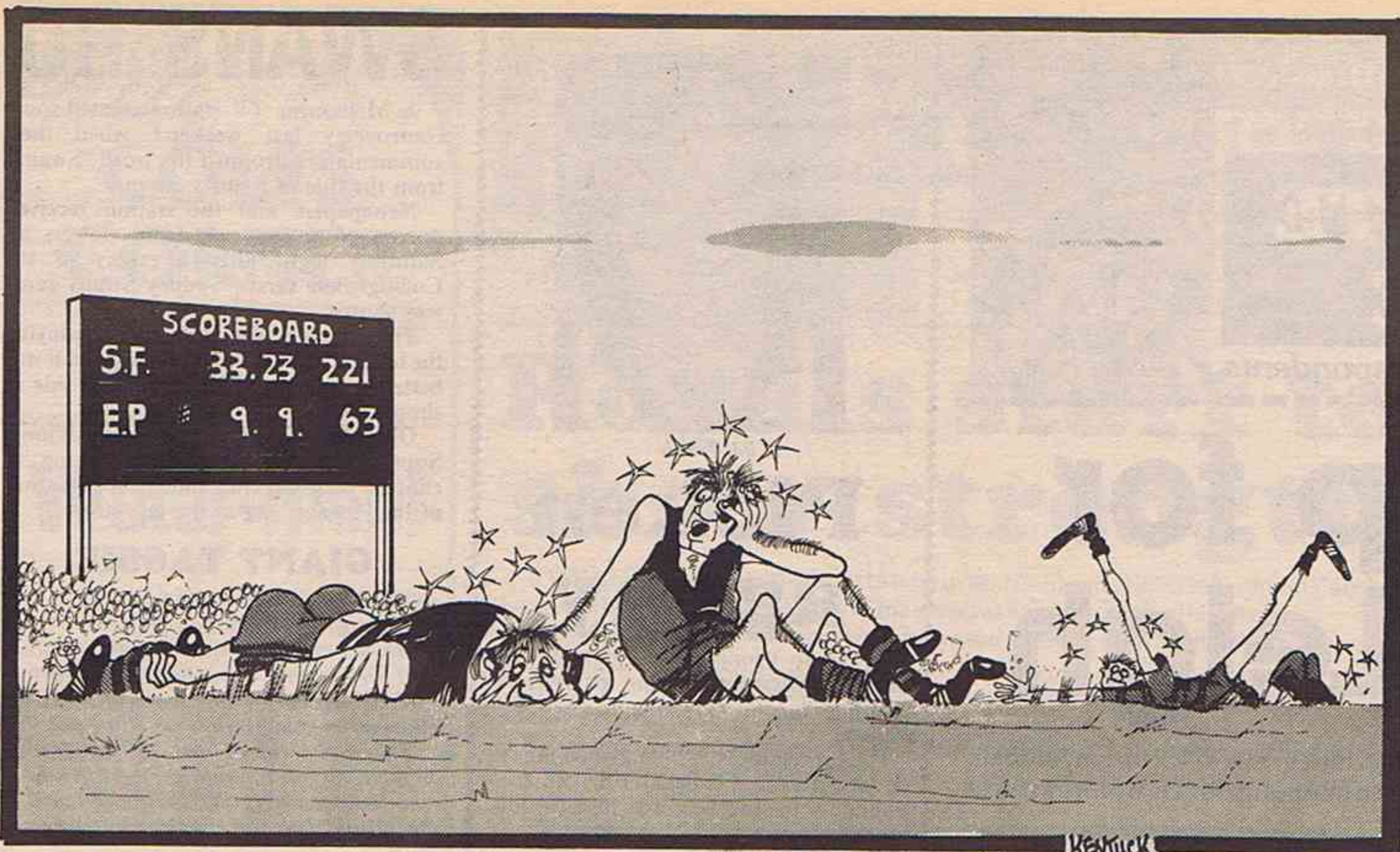
Jeff Davidson (SD) 23 on 26th
 Craig Nelson (WP) 21 on 26th
 Jon Dorotich (SF) 22 on 27th
 Mark Taylor (EF) 21 on 28th
 Ken Bell (P) 22 on May 2nd
 Michael Jenzen (EF) 21 on 2nd
 Russell Cooper (C) 25 on 4th
 Rod Barrett (SF) 30 on 5th
 David Martin (C) 22 on 5th



Rod Barrett

Michael Jenzen





That was no Bulldog — that was a flamin' bulldozer!!!



With 6KY commentator and former WAFL, VFL and SANFL star JOHN DUCKWORTH

Michael rides the bumps

LOCAL club supporters seem to take great joy from knocking a champion and I think it's about time they got off Stephen Michael's back. The East Perth supporters gave him a hard time again last week. I suppose fresh in their minds was that game last year when Michael collected a few of their players with some top bumps. I believe they were all well within the rules — and so were the ones he dished out on Monday. Michael plays the game hard, but fair and I wonder how those people who reacted negatively towards Michael would feel if he was playing for them. Arguments broke out between the various camps and continued in the bar after the game.

BAD RESULTS

MONDAY'S results were a real body-blow for WA football. We have been screaming out for people to go to the football for the past few seasons and when they turned out in force on Monday there were two cake-walk results. After half-time, Swan Districts completely outplayed Perth while East Perth were never in the hunt against South Fremantle. If those games had been tighter I believe we would have been in for a bumper year with our crowds coming back to the game. I was at Perth Oval and the atmosphere was unbelievable with about 12,000 fans lining the banks to "Scream for their Team."

WELL DONE ROSS

IT WAS great to see one of my old mates, Ross Prunster make a return to league football for Perth. He has been plagued by injury since joining Perth from West Perth a few seasons ago and he had not played a league game for two years. I believe he stood up to the test quite well and he will be ready to move out of the back pocket and take on a more senior role in the weeks to come. He was a top half-back flanker at West Perth, where he earned State selection. While handing out bouquets I would like to congratulate Claremont's Darrell Panizza and East Perth's Grant Campbell on reaching the 100-game milestone over the weekend.

BENNY'S BUMP

SOUTH Fremantle utility player Benny Vigona handed out one of the best bumps I have ever seen when he collected East Perth rover Peter Spencer on Monday. Spencer was KO'd with a knock that was well and truly within the rules. I believe there is a message for "Spanner" in that bump. He has been plagued by injury throughout his career and now I know why. He is a ball player and that is all he sees. He must protect himself otherwise this great player will be lost to the game.

Whistle Stop



PRESSURE ON AT THE TOP

THERE is certainly no room for error when it comes to the top eight field umpires this season.

The same eight umps kept their league positions for the first three weeks — and it was only an injury to Bob Phillips that forced a change last week.

Paul Mannix, who made his debut towards the end of last season, came in as Phillips replacement and went well enough to hold his spot.

With experienced league umpires like Ron Buckley, Brian Appleby and Ross Graffin in reserves pushing for a league place, the pressure is really on the top umps to perform consistently each week.

BAD BOUNCING

THE football public are quick to criticise field umpires when they bounce the ball badly — but at times the criticism is not always warranted.

The Umpires' Board is concerned at the bad bouncing that does occur, but at present the umpires are experiencing difficulties with one particular brand of football.

Most clubs use Burleys, which are satisfactory, but the Chesson brand is designed a little differently and can make bouncing difficult.

So don't be so quick to blame the umps!

SUSPENSION

RESERVES field umpire Colin Shawcross was suspended for one game recently for failing to report a player.

The suspension confirms that the Umpires' Board does watch what happens and is not afraid to take action against its umpires.

NEW FLAG-WAVER

A NEW face in between the goals this season is Paul Smith, who switched from country field umpiring several seasons ago to the goal umpiring panel.

Smith was selected in the league panel for the opening game of the season and has kept his spot since then.



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Royal record to forget

EAST Perth, the side which promised to re-shape the premiership table, have fallen (temporarily) by the way-side.

Last Monday they received the biggest belting of their 78-year history.

The 158-point defeat by South Fremantle is by far their worst result.

The previous record loss was to Perth by 112 points in 1977 and a similar losing margin was recorded when East Fremantle out-scored them 25.16 to 7.12.

Only six sides in league history have won by a bigger margin.

Before last Monday's debacle, East Perth was the only side in the competition never to have had 200 points kicked against them in one match. Perth went the closest with a 29.12 (186) in 1977.

East Perth have now lost their last two games by an incredible combined total of 239 points.

OLD PROBLEMS

SOME of the problems of the last century can be seen through some old match reports.

A report of a league match in 1895 said that play was too congested with 30 of the 40 players chasing the ball. The number of players per side was reduced to 18 in 1899.

Then there was a problem with children on the playing field. One reporter described them as a nuisance for players, supporters and officials.

Team spirit sometimes left a lot to be desired too! In one game in 1895, West Perth were playing one man short and with no score on the board at half time, one of their ruckmen decided the cause was hopeless and he didn't return after half-time.

The report said that only one player turned up for mid-week training.

PREMIERSHIP PRICE

CAN a premiership be bought with the "imports" — or is it more profitable to work on a long-range plan to develop the juniors.

West Perth, with their long list of outsiders, are at the bottom of the premiership table while the foreign legion at South Fremantle have helped the Bulldogs to get to the top of the table.

Perth reaped a harvest of three successive premierships from local talent in

1966, 1967 and 1968. Claremont had a five-year plan of local development in their juniors and this yielded a flag in 1981, with the help of four interstaters (Barry Beecroft, Gerald Betts, Peter Jamieson and Gary Shaw). Such planning deserved more than one success.

West Perth's persistency in buying players seems to be in-grown in that club. Perhaps they remember the 1971 team which won the premiership with imports like Peter Steward, Phil Smith, Steve Arnott, Barry McAuliffe, Bryan Pleitner, Leon O'Dwyer and Graham Farmer. Their 1969 team also had Farmer, Pleitner, McAuliffe, plus Neil Evans and Brian Sampson.

Probably the biggest recruiting coup in our history ended in dismal failure.

After the 1937 carnival in Perth, Subiaco got three VFL players to their club in 1938.

They had Haydn Bunton Snr from Fitzroy, Les Hardiman from Geelong and Keith Shea from Carlton — but they could not improve the situation for the Lions. The team finished seventh in 1938, seventh in 1939 and sixth (with only five wins) in 1940.

Since the game moved into a professional era in 1956, when clubs were granted liquor licences, premierships have been divided between eight clubs.

In those 28 years Swans, Perth and East Perth have won five, East Fremantle and West Perth four, Claremont and South Fremantle two and Subiaco one. So I suppose it is the end result that counts and not how they are won.

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INTERSTATE UPDATE

From our Eastern States correspondents



300 up for lethal Leigh

LETHAL Leigh Matthews, one of the all time greats of Victorian football, will make his 300th league appearance when he lines up for Hawthorn against Footscray on Saturday.

In becoming the 19th player in the VFL history to reach the 300 game milestone he adds yet another achievement to an illustrious football career that has spanned 16 seasons.

The 32-year-old Matthews, best remembered in WA for his famous Barry Cable shirt-front in an interstate match at Subiaco Oval in the early 70's, has played in four Hawthorn premiership sides.

He has won his club's fairest and best award eight times and has been captain of the Hawks since 1981.



Leigh Matthews

The champion rover, who joined Hawthorn as a 16 year old in the John Kennedy era, from the Mornington Peninsula town of Chelsea, hopes to play at least one more season of VFL football.

Hawthorn president Ron Cook this week described Matthews as his club's "greatest ever player".

... AND ANOTHER

While Matthews basks in the glory this weekend, one of his team-mates, Kelvin Moore, will no doubt look on with a great deal of envy.

One of modern football's finest full-backs, Moore is seven games short of reaching his triple century. However, his opportunities at senior level with the Hawks have been limited over the past two seasons and it seems only a serious injury to regular full-back David O'Halloran would give Moore the chance of playing those extra seven matches.

He played in his club's three premierships of the 70's and was one of the most disappointed men at the club when he missed last year's grand final.

As reigning premiers, coach Alan Jeans cannot afford to show any sentiment in selection, so it seems only a miracle will give Moore the chance of joining Matthews in the 300 club.



Bill Picken

Picken agony

It was an agonising return to Victoria Park (Collingwood's home ground) last Saturday for former Magpie hero Billy Picken.

The former idol of Collingwood fans for the past decade was back at his old home ground for the first time with his new club, Sydney Swans.

It was a painful experience for Picken in more ways than one. Soon after settling in after a mixed reaction he got from his old "home" crowd he was accidentally flattened in a collision with Collingwood's Michael Taylor.

The incident, which occurred early in the first term, left Picken with a dislocated right shoulder. He left the ground at quarter time and had pain killing injections.

He came on to the ground after half time with a long sleeve jumper and played on till late in the last quarter when trainers placed his arm in a sling.

SWANS GO

A Melbourne TV station created some controversy last weekend when their commentators dropped the word "Swans" from the title of Sydney Swans.

Newspapers and the station received dozens of protest calls from viewers on Saturday night after a replay of the Collingwood versus Sydney Swans game was shown.

The station defended the move by saying the telecast was shown interstate and it was better to refer to the harbour city side as simply "Sydney".

Obviously there are still some traditional South Melbourne supporters trying to cling to their old club and see the removal of the "Swans" tag as the last straw.

GIANT TASSIE

Hawthorn have signed a 200cm (6ft 10in) ruckman from Tasmania.

Hawks recruiting men flew into Hobart last week and signed the 19-year-old council worker, Romano Negri, within hours of meeting him.

The club was tipped off by former champion full-forward, Peter Hudson, who has been a regular spotter of talent in the Apple Isle for the Hawks in recent years.

Equal in height to the tallest player in the VFL, Justin Madden, the new recruit presently plays under Darryl Sutton with the North Hobart Club.

VFA STARS

THE Victorian Football Association is proving to be a popular "resting place" for former VFL stars.

The latest former VFL player to move across to the Sunday competition in a coaching capacity is Warwick Irwin, who takes on the role of captain-coach at Port Melbourne.

SA NEWS

SA want Vics out

The SANFL has started moves to exclude the VFL from the National Football League.

The SANFL regard the VFL's calculated move to breach the existing unchallenged NFL rules as a gross violation of the kindred spirit that existed between the leagues since the formation of the first inter-colonial conference held in 1866.

The VFL issued permits to Rod Hawkins and David Bolton without getting clearances from their South Australian clubs.

The same situation exists in SA as that in WA where the VFL granted Phil Cronan and Phil Narkle permits without clearances.

The SANFL is not taking the action lightly and they plan to enforce their feelings.

EBERT'S RECORD

PORT Adelaide captain coach Russell Ebert is just 10 games short of establishing a club record.

Two weeks ago he played his 350th league match for the Magpies and he has sights firmly fixed on Paul Bagshaw's record of 360 matches.

Ebert has won four Magarey Medals and is a legend in his own time. It would be fitting that he should become the record holder for games played for Port.

UNBEATEN PAIR

CENTRAL District and Port Adelaide continued their tremendous early season form when they added to their unbeaten records on the weekend.

Port eventually coasted to a 24-point victory over Sturt while Centrals were too good for Woodville.

Woodville coach Malcolm Blight is having a tough time. After winning the first game of the season, they have lost their last three encounters and things do not look bright.

WA PLAYER ROUND-UP

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

	Kicks	H/balls	Marks	Score
MELBOURNE				
Peter Thorne	11	4	7	-
FOOTSCRAY				
Jim Sewell	12	2	7	0.1
Simon Beasley	1	1	1	0.1
Andrew Purser	5	5	11	-
Ian Williams	12	-	-	0.2
RICHMOND				
David Palm	5	6	10	3.0
Brian Taylor	4	3	-	2.0
Tim Gepp	13	-	6	-
John Annear	16	6	10	2.1
Maurice Rioli	13	3	6	-
GEELONG				
Brian Peake	14	1	7	0.1
CARLTON				
Ken Hunter	11	5	4	5.0
Mark Maclure	15	7	3	-
Warren Ralph	6	4	2	3.3
Wayne Blackwell	14	6	4	2.1
NORTH MELBOURNE				
Steve McCann	14	12	12	-
Phil Krakouer	13	2	5	3.3
Jim Krakouer	16	3	6	1.0
Ross Glendinning	15	10	9	-
Phil Kelly	7	-	1	0.1
Kevin Bryant	4	1	1	1.1
HAWTHORN				
Ken Judge	9	2	5	3.2
Rod Lester-Smith	8	12	2	0.1
ESSENDON				
Leon Baker	15	8	7	-
Bill Duckworth	10	2	7	-
Tony Buhagiar	18	3	7	4.5
ST KILDA				
Phil Narkle	16	4	4	0.1
Alan Sidebottom	11	2	0	0.1
Phil Cronan	9	1	4	-

Steve McCann had 23 hit-outs, Alan Sidebottom 26 and Andrew Purser 27.



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MIGHTY MITCHELL

CLAREMONT rover Michael Mitchell was in blistering form against Subiaco last week and it was obvious when he kicked his first goal that he was in for a good day. He gained control of the ball on the boundary line in front of the three tier stand and was under plenty of pressure from Subiaco half-back Dwayne Lamb. As Lamb pulled Mitchell to the ground with a great tackle, Mitchell managed to get boot to ball and watched it sail through the middle of the big opening. It earned him the Town and Country WA goal of the day on World of Sport on Sunday and it will take some beating for the goal of the year.

IT'S SO EASY!

KICKING goals was a very easy task for South Fremantle on Monday when they totally embarrassed the Royals by notching an impressive 33 majors. Two goals midway through the third term showed just how easy it was. David Hart, a damaging player all day, shot a long kick in from near the centre and saw it roll through without any challenges from the East perth defence and Stephen Mount, who was also prominent in the scoring department, picked an easy one off the back of the pack as the Royals defenders tangled with each other.

EXPERIENCE

CLAREMONT ruck rover Allen Daniels was generally off target on Saturday, finishing the game with 2.5. But the second of his goals was a case of using experience. He picked the ball up about 20 metres from goal and as a couple of Subiaco defenders moved in to tackle, realised that if kicked in the air the ball would be touched. Instead he kicked the ball along the ground and watched the ball roll through for full points.

RUB IT IN

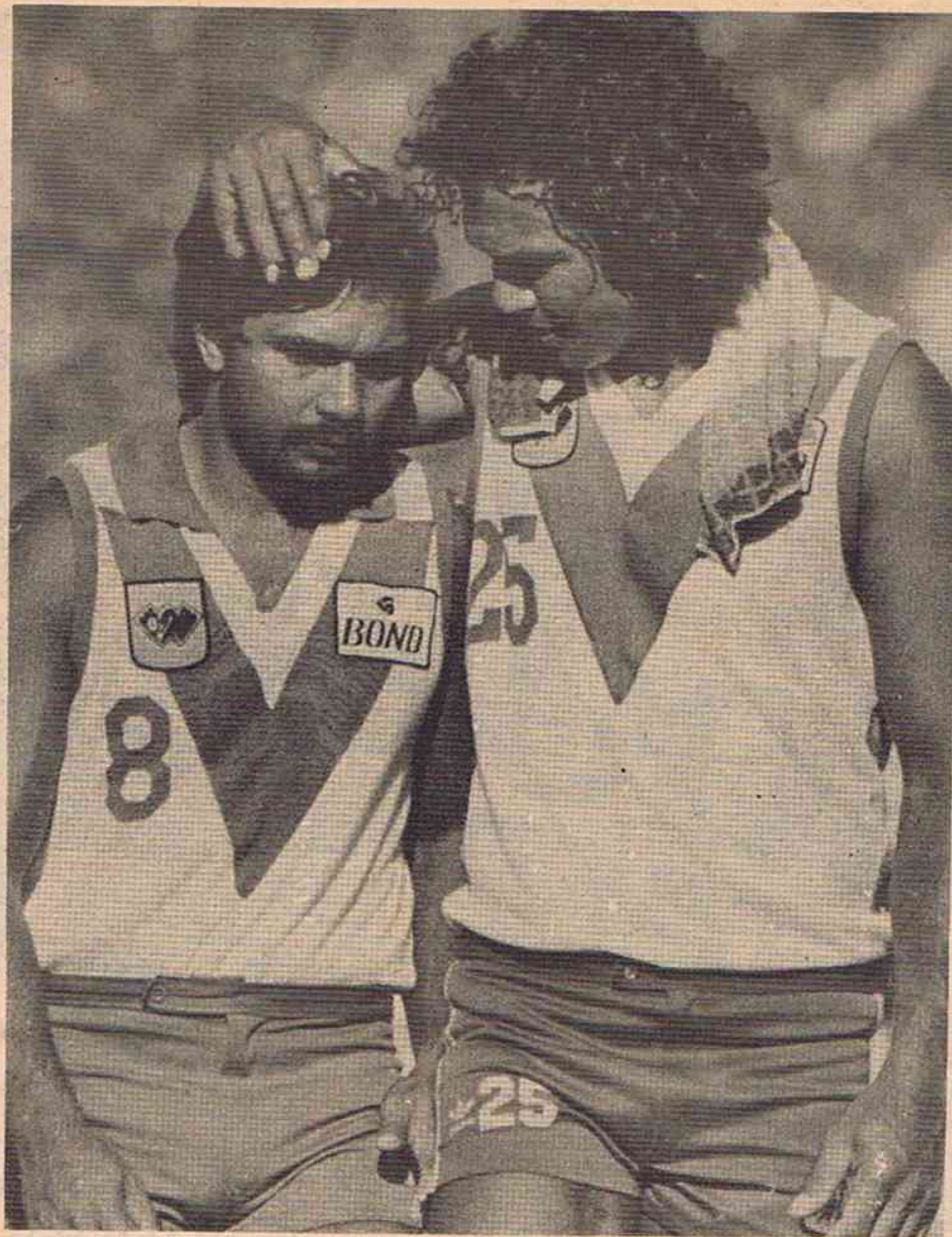
THERE were many enjoyable moments at Perth Oval for big Craig Edwards as he helped destroy his old club with a blistering effort in the ruck, capped off with a bag of goals. Edwards' showed that he had plenty of support from his new team-mates when he booted South Fremantle's 20th. Jon Dorotich had produced a strong piece of play to knock the ball out of a pack into Brad Hardie's hands and as the skipper zoomed goalwards he diverted to chip a neat little pass over to the former Royal just to help the big bloke notch another goal.

BLACKABY'S BEST

ED BLACKABY has been noted for his quick thinking — and it was never better illustrated on Monday. The ball was floating towards half-forward when Blackaby called Jon Fogarty to knock the ball. The diminutive little rover swooped on the ball and despite valiant attempts by several Perth defenders he snapped a magnificent goal. It was a remarkable goal for Blackaby because he didn't even have time to peep over his shoulder.

SUPERSCORERS

JOHN SCOTT (East Perth) 26.4
DON HOLMES (Swan Dist.) .. 19.12
CLINTON BROWN (Subiaco) .. 18.8
BRAD HARDIE (S. Frem.)..... 16.10
MICK REA (Perth)..... 13.7
MICHAEL MITCHELL (C'mont)12.9
JON DOROTICH (S. Frem.)..... 12.8
LAURIE KEENE (Subiaco) 12.3
RON ALEXANDER (E. Frem.) 11.3



IT must have been a rare moment of despondency for South Fremantle's Benny Vigona when Stephen Michael had to console him at Perth Oval on Monday. Vigona was a star defender for the Bulldogs . . . and Michael wasn't in bad form himself, either. The timely return to football by these two talented Aborigines is one of the reasons why South are riding high. Below: Another of South's Aboriginal stars is the magical Nicky Winmar . . . but luck wasn't with him on Monday. He suffered an early injury after some dazzling patches of football and despite treatment, he found himself sitting out for most of the game.



BLUE FIN STARS OF THE DAY

GREG CARPENTER: One of the few East Perth players to contribute for four quarters. Began with the difficult task of keeping South Fremantle skipper Brad Hardie under control, before taking on a roving commission late in the game.

BILLY JONES: Played superbly from a wing and used his pace to break away and create scoring opportunities for his team mates. Teamed well with Murray Wrensted and used the ball with maximum effect when moving into the forward line.

MICHAEL CRUTCHFIELD: One of the most improved defenders in the competition. He took on Claremont's new full-forward Steve Finch and did not give the former Sunday League star much latitude. Also took some strong marks and repelled many attacking moves.

STEVE RICHARDSON: Was given the difficult assignment of tagging Perth dynamo Peter Bosustow and he did the job to perfection. Richardson gathered a few kicks himself, but it was more for his negating role for which he came under notice.

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

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Double goal to Souths

SOUTH Fremantle scored two goals without the ball being returned to the centre against East Perth on Monday — but it wasn't a case of the new two-goal interpretation being used.

South Fremantle first-game player Mark Keyser kicked a goal just as team-Craig Edwards and East Perth's Russell Sparks indulged in some scuffling on the half-forward line.

Field umpire Brian Hearne signalled all clear for Keyser's goal and then gave Edwards a free kick for interference by Sparks.

The two-goal interpretation introduced this year provides for players who are interfered with after shooting for goal.

Umpires' coach Ross Capes explains the rule this way:

"If a player is dealt with after shooting for goal, but before the 'all clear' signal is given, he has the option of taking another shot. This would obviously not be taken if the shot was a goal.

"But if the player is dealt with by an extremely late tackle after shooting for goal, and the 'all clear' has been called, then he has another shot, with both kicks for goal being recorded.



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

MOTHER BROWN SELFISHNESS AT THE FOOTY

JUST how selfish can people be? In the last two weeks I have been annoyed at the extra room some people take up when they park at the football. Outside Perth Oval on Monday was no exception. People these days just do not care about anyone else — as long as they are alright they are happy. They park haphazardly and then other people have to park further away from the ground. The time has come to police parking at the league grounds. They do it at Subiaco and East Fremantle Ovals and that system works well with people directing patrons where to park. It certainly stops the selfish people from ruining it for everyone else.

100 UP

I WOULD like to congratulate Grant Campbell on reaching his 100th game milestone. While I am sure it would be a game he would rather forget, it is still a fine achievement for a young man of just



22. I would also like to congratulate Claremont wingman Darrell Panizza on reaching a similar milestone in his career. He had a much better day, playing in a winning side.

EASTER'S OUT

IT IS about time the WAFL gave away the idea of split rounds, particularly at Easter. The players deserve some say in the matter because it ruins any chance they have of taking off for a weekend with their families. I believe the players always get the raw end of the deal and the football season can be extremely demanding on those with families. In addition to that we now come up with the situation where Swans play East Fremantle on Saturday under a distinct disadvantage — they have two fewer days in which to prepare for the contest.

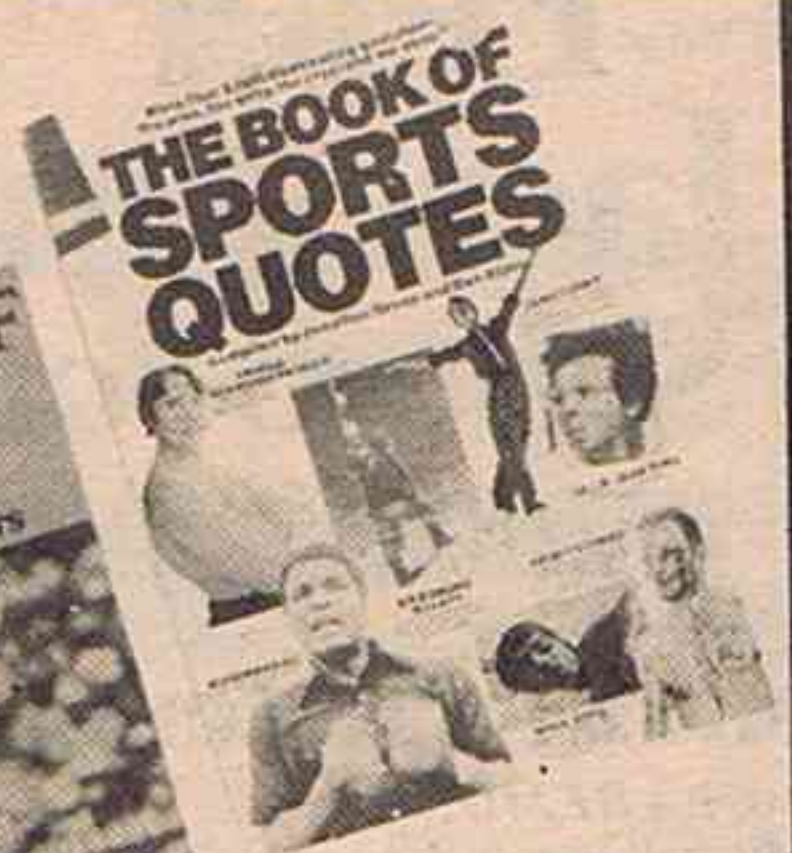
UMPS DO WELL

I WOULD like to congratulate the umpires at Monday's game at Perth Oval — David Johnson and Brian Hearne — for their magnificent display of bouncing the ball. I have seldom seen two umpires do a better job in this regard and it makes a big difference to the standard of the game.

PHONED-IN

I AM told the red phones have been re-installed at Subiaco Oval and if that is the case I would like to congratulate the WAFL. The public will surely take advantage of the service — something I believe is essential at all league grounds.

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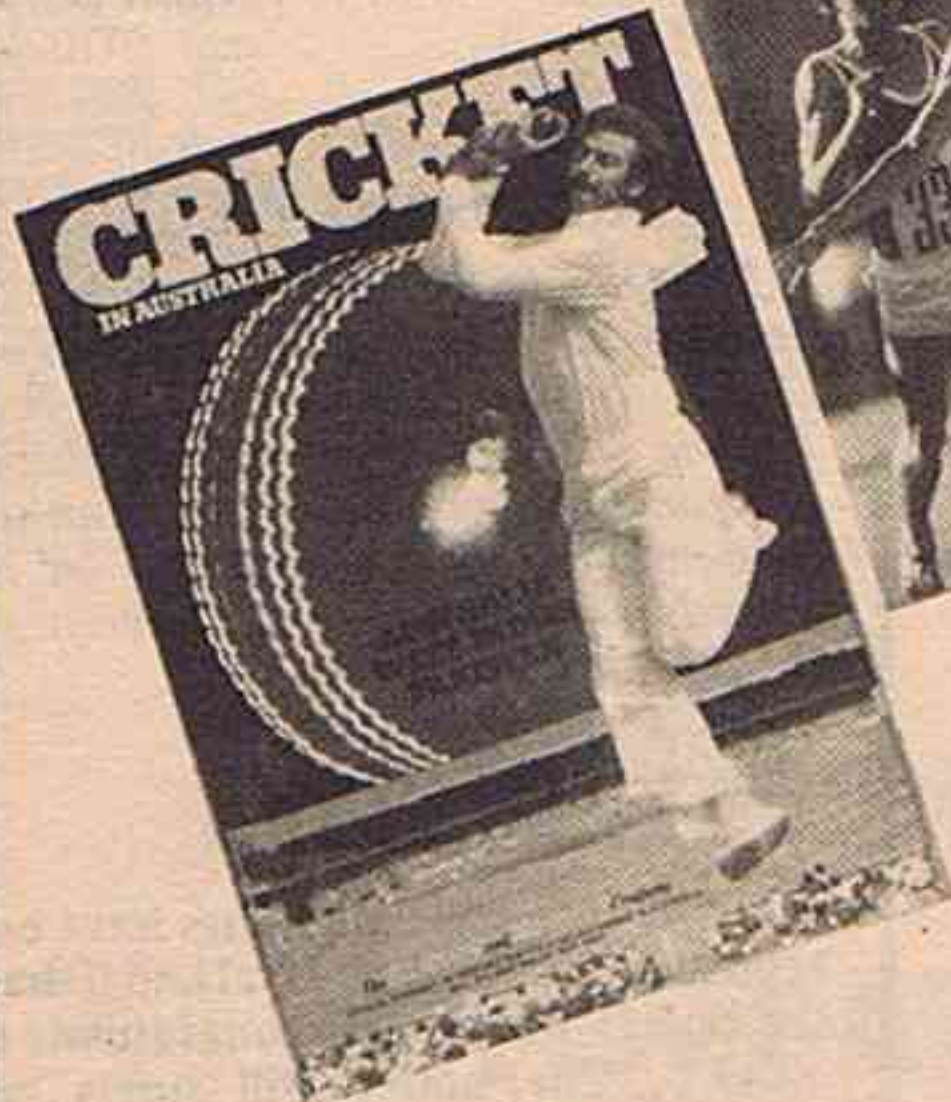
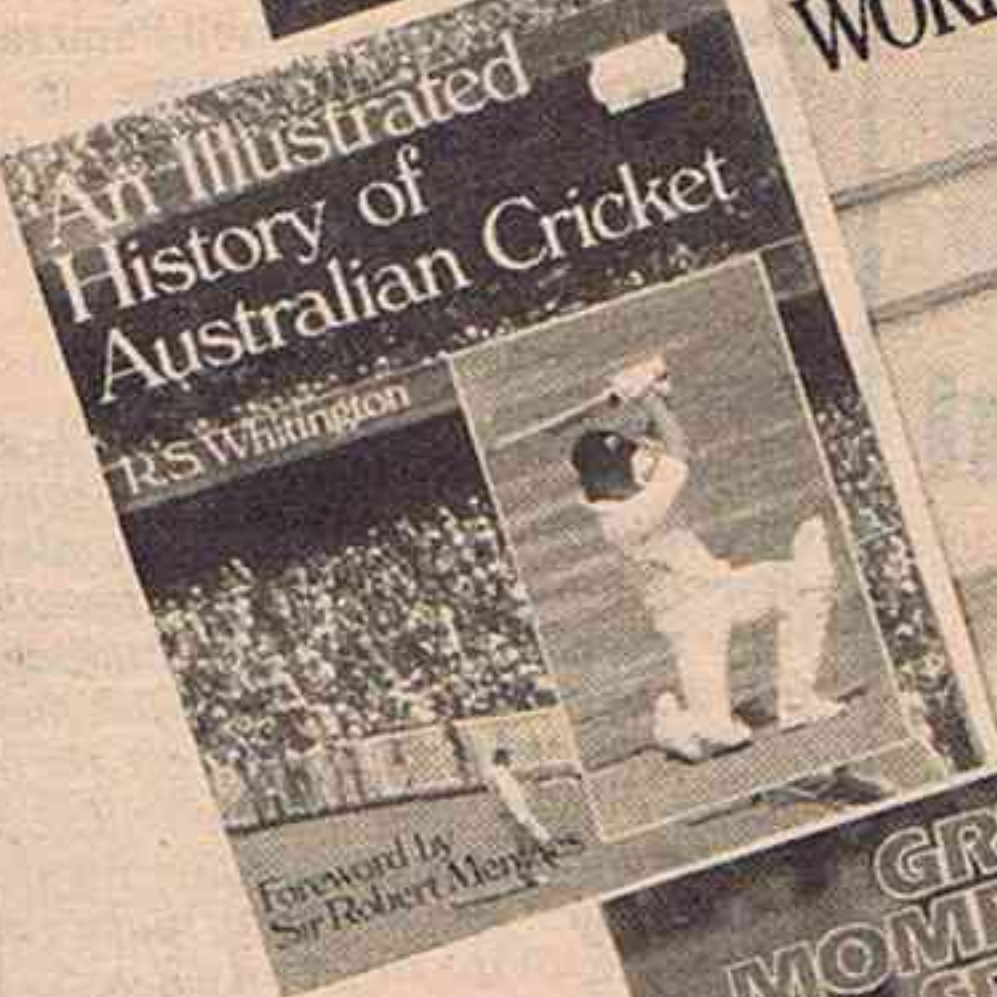
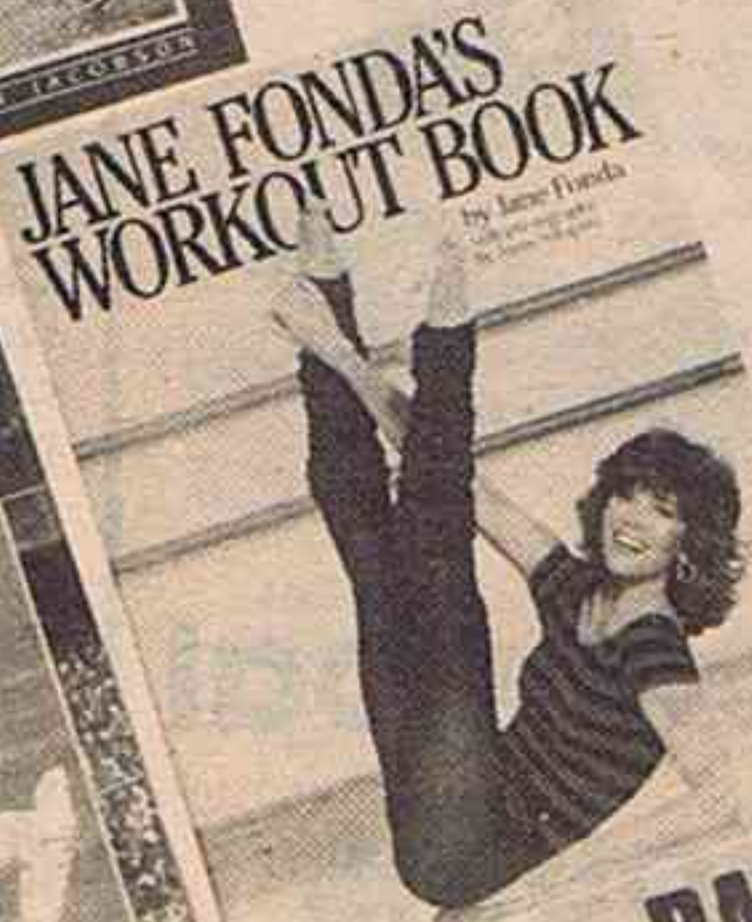
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Coincidence marks Swans' 50th birthday

THIS Saturday's match between East Fremantle and Swan Districts at Bassendean Oval will have special significance for both clubs.

Fifty years ago to the day, the two teams met for the first time when Swan Districts became the eighth team in the WANFL. On that historic day, Swans failed by 17 points to notch up their first win in their inaugural match.

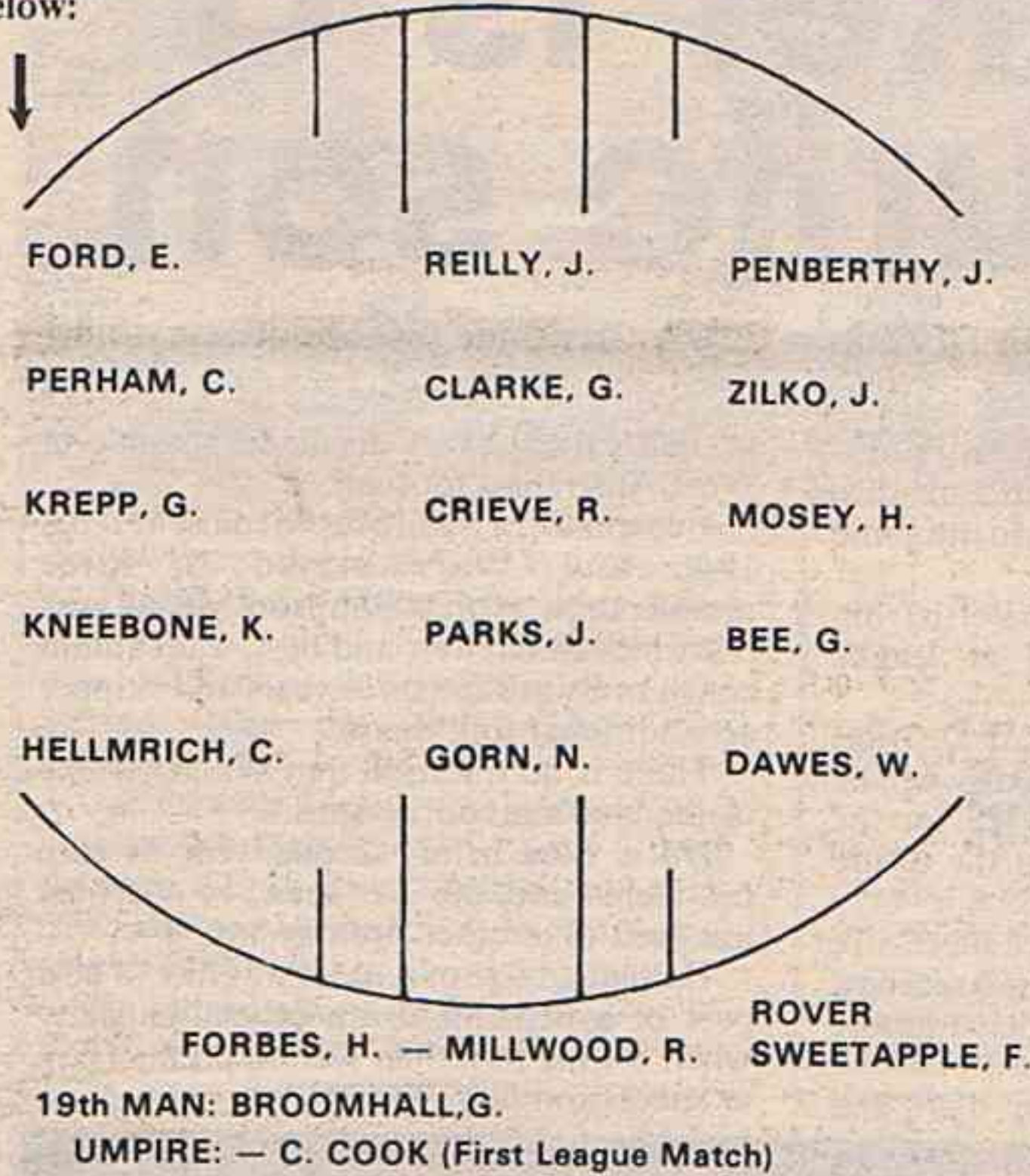
So on Saturday, they will have special reason to ensure that they win.

It is a magnificent coincidence that sees Swans clash with East Fremantle on the day that the club celebrates its 50th birthday — and Swans will certainly turn on their best style.

Over the years Swan Districts have had two most impressive eras — the first came in the early 1960s under Haydn Bunton and they are currently in the second under the guidance of John Todd.

They have had some fine teams over the seasons and the side which represented the club on the memorable day in 1934 was no exception.

Just take a look at the talent in their line-up which is seen below:



The captain-coach of that team, Judda Bee, is still a regular visitor to the club.

Right from the outset Swans were a competitive club, winning seven games in their first season. That performance is still a record for the number of winning matches in a club's first full season.

Swans had their backs to the wall in that opening game, even before the ball bounced, because East Fremantle were the reigning premiers.

However, Swans surprised everyone with their great fight and skill and it was only in the dying minutes of the game that their opponents were able to clinch the match.

A report from the Daily News said that the new players

SWANS 1934 1984

revealed surprising aerial ability and had they been able to halt the influence of George Doig, who kicked eight goals, the result might have been different.

The report also said: "Swan Districts had only three new players — Bee (captain and coach), Sweetapple and Grieve — who had played league football. The new club was loudly applauded as the players filed onto the ground . . .

"There was a loud roar when Sweetapple kicked Swans first goal.

"Swan Districts were marking splendidly, but their full-forwards were letting them down.

"At quarter time the scoreboard read East Fremantle 5.5 (35) to Swan Districts 2.2.

"The pace continued to be fast and while Swans suffered through a lack of experience, the play was still keenly contested.

By three-quarter time the deficit was just 12 points and the scene was set for an exciting last quarter.

Here is how the Daily News saw the final term:

"Determined to make their position more secure, Old Easts went into attack immediately and Martienson, who was playing in a forward-pocket, booted a useful goal. Swans appeared to be lasting better than their opponents and a feature of their movements was their excellent marking. Their backline, which had been solid throughout, was now more than a match for Easts forwards.

"A goal from Gorn left Swans with a deficit of only eight points and they launched a spirited attack. For once Easts backline became disorganised and Dawes snapped full points. With 14 minutes to play, Swans were only a point behind and making a bold bid for victory.

"McGlenn broke through for Easts, but when a score seemed likely Ford marked in the goal mouth. Easts came again. McGlenn and Reynolds combining to place the ball with George Doig. A single resulted. Swans players were showing surprising grit and determination in a crisis and were fighting valiantly for the lead. Taylor's cool play was a valuable assistance to Easts at this stage and he repeatedly drove the ball forward.

"After three singles had been added, full points from George Doig eased the situation for Old Easts. During the last few minutes of the quarter Swans attacked vigorously, but mainly through the efforts of C. James and Jarvis they were unable to record a major score."

MATCH DETAILS

East Fremantle	5.5	7.14	13.17	16.23	119
Swan Districts	2.2	6.4	13.5	16.6	102

Goalkickers: East Fremantle: G. Doig (8), Martienson (3), McGlenn (2), Kingsbury, Reynolds and Fordham. Swan Districts: Gorn (4), Dawes (4), Bee (3), Sweetapple (2), Penberthy, Kneebone, and Parks.
 Best Players: East Fremantle: Jarvis, McGlin, G. Doig, C. Doig, Reynolds, C. James. Swan Districts: Parks, Grieve, Bee, Krepp.

THE DAILY NEWS, SATURDAY APRIL 28, 1934

New club gives a splendid display in first league game

SWANS GOOD SHOWING AT FREMANTLE

A splendid showing by Swans, who were playing their first league game was the outstanding feature of today's opening games of the season. They were opposed to East Fremantle, last year's premiers, at Fremantle, and were mastered only in the last few minutes. At one stage in the last quarter, only one point separated the teams.

Gala parade will start the day off

SWAN Districts have planned a gala parade to celebrate their 50th anniversary.

In order to fit the festivities in between the reserves and the league game, the club has received permission from the WAFL to start the day's football early.

The reserves will finish at 1.55pm and the league match has been scheduled for 2.30pm.

As soon as the reserves players leave the ground a brass band will lead a magnificent parade and they will play the Swan song and Happy Birthday.

Following that vintage cars, will make a spectacular entry carrying Swan Districts and East Fremantle players who fought out the first official game for the Bassendean based club.

All juniors attending the big match will be admitted free of charge and they will also be a part of the parade.

In addition there will be a skydiving exhibition, given by the Chuting Stars Skydiving team. They will wear Swans playing uniform, blow black and white smoke and display the club's five premiership flags.

When the league teams make their way onto the arena 2,000 black and white balloons will be released and the club's new mascot, courtesy of Canberra TV, will be revealed.

The compere for the gala event will be Radio 6PR personality John K. Watts. His station is the major sponsor of Swan Districts in 1984.

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NUMBER ONE IN FOOTBALL



BIG LEAGUE

THE COACHES:

TODD AND BUNTON STAND OUT

TWO current WAFL club coaches — Haydn Bunton and John Todd — share the honour of being the only men to lead Swan Districts to premierships in their 50-year history.

Bunton, who returned to WA this season to coach Subiaco, led Swans to premierships in 1961-1962 and 1963.

The club had been in the football wilderness for most of their first three decades in the competition till Bunton arrived on the scene from Launceston in 1961.

After the Bunton era, the club again slipped out of the football limelight till Todd arrived in 1977.

It was a long haul for Todd, who cleaned out the club and started afresh. Now in his eighth season (a record for the club) Todd has led the club to premierships in the past two seasons.

He now faces a new challenge in again rebuilding a side, this time depleted by champions leaving to seek fame and fortune in Victoria.

Swans first coach was George (Judda) Bee. He joined the club from East Fremantle in 1933 when it was building a team strong enough to be admitted to the WAFL in 1934.

Bee left midway through the 1935 season to take-up employment in Kalgoorlie.

George Margetich, a Victorian in WA for a short term in his employment, took over to complete the 1935 season as a non-playing coach.

Former Hawthorn and Melbourne star Bert Chandler coached Swans in 1936 before moving to South Fremantle.

Jim Ditchburn started a three year term as coach in 1937, leading the club into the finals on two occasions.

RETIRE

"Spec" Sinclair, a member of the club's original 1934 team, was appointed coach in 1940 but was forced to retire during the season after he was posted overseas with the A.I.F. A former South Adelaide and Glenelg player, Clem Rosewarne completed the season as club coach.

Another member of the club's 1934 side, Lal Mosey, took over in 1941. In 1942 Swans were unable to field a side due to lack of players.

The club was back with vengeance in 1943 when Rupe Maynard took the black and whites into the grand final for the first time.

In 1944 another Victorian was at the helm. In the final year of the underage competition former Collingwood player Dick Gundry was in charge.

When senior competition recommenced in 1945 Rupe Maynard was back in charge, this time taking the club into the first semi final.

Leo McComish joined the club from Perth in 1946 and coached for two seasons. He later served as a league umpire.

Bill Kingsbury (from West Perth) started a four year stint as coach in 1948 and champion goal kicker of the 30's Ted Holdsworth then served one year as coach in 1952.

East Perth champion Frank Sparrow started a three year reign as coach in 1953. During his term he was plagued by injury but never-the-less became the clubs first All-Australian player in 1953.

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In 1956 Sparrow was cleared to West Perth in a swap deal for Don Scott who coached the club for 1½ seasons.

Former Perth player Eric Strauss took over from Scott for the remainder of the 1957 season and continued as coach through 1958.

Champion East Fremantle ruckman Percy Johnson became coach in 1959 but resigned during the season. Brian Gray completed that year as coach.

Another former East Fremantle champion was to coach the club in 1960 — Charlie Doig, during his one season at Swans, provided much of the ground work for the successful Bunton era which commenced in 1961.

After the club's three premierships they slipped in 1964 and the next year Bunton returned to South Australia.

One of the club's stalwarts of the early sixties, Fred Castledine, took over the coaching in 1965 and led Swans into the grand final in his first season. he continued in 1966 and 1967.

Another member of the champion 60's team, Tony Nesbit served a one year stint in 1968.

Present president, Bill Walker, probably the greatest player to pull on a Swans jumper, commenced a three year coaching stint in 1969.

Jack Ensor, joined the club in 1972 and coached till 1975. He laid some of the foundations at the club which saw them rise to power later in the seventies.



This Saturday's Football Budget will feature a special colour souvenir cover to mark Swans' 50th anniversary.

Drawn by artist Greg Smith, the cover (pictured above) features the club's only two premiership coaches Haydn Bunton and John Todd.

SWANS

1934-84

SPECIAL BADGE

Swans have had special badges struck to commemorate their 50th anniversary and these will be on sale at Bassendean Oval on Saturday.

The badge features the same design as a golden jubilee tie which will also be on sale.

The badges sell for \$50 each with a limited number available. Club supporters and members are urged to get in early to avoid missing out.

The gold laurel is raised off the face and actually forms the edge of the badge. The fighting swan is black, with white wing tips and a red beak and the football is also red.

The letters SDFC are also in white on a gold background, and the figures 1934-1984 are in gold on a black bar which forms the base of the badge.

Walker is a favourite son

BILL Walker is one Swan Districts man who has done just about everything possible in the game.

He was a champion player, registering a record 305 matches for the club and since retiring he, has put a lot back into the game as club president.

He was 19 when he arrived in Perth from Naremburn to try his hand at league football.

The year was 1961 and Swan Districts had finished last the previous year when he pulled on his famous number 29 for the first time he had no idea what the future held.

The club won the first of three successive premierships and Walker, having received a taste of success, was keen to play in more winning grand final teams.

He retired as a player in July, 1976 and

he had earned every accolade possible in West Australian football.

He won three Sandover Medals, in 1965, 1966 and 1967, played in three premierships, won a Simpson Medal, was five times club fairest and best, was captain coach of Swans for three years and skipper an additional four years.

There is no question that Walker is one of the club's favourite sons.

He is now in his second year as club president and he is keen to become involved in another premiership.

He had a taste of what it was like to be a part of a pennant in an official capacity when Swans won their second premiership in succession last year.

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SUNDAY, APRIL 29

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Flashback: Bill Walker (centre) talks to former players Jock Murray (left) and Lal Mosey. The picture was taken during Walker's reign as club coach. Murray was a star of the 1930s and won Swans fairest and best award in 1939, while Mosey was the club captain-coach in 1941. Walker's record goes without saying — he is one of the greatest players ever to don the black and white guernsey in WA.

SWANS 1934-1984

Congratulations at first AGM

THE Swan Districts Football Club held their first annual general meeting on February 12, 1935 at the Bassendean Town Hall.

Among the special guests were long-serving East Perth president Mr Fred Book and West Perth president, Mr T.C. Reid.

Mr Book congratulated Swans on breaking East Perth's Australian record by winning seven games in their first season of competition.

Swan Districts inaugural president was Mr R.A. McDonald, but he chose not to stand for re-election and the meeting voted Mr F.C. Lange into the position unopposed.

Mr J.F. Jenner, in his secretary's report said that the team had not been successful in getting into the final four, but it was an auspicious and encouraging entry into league football.

He added that throughout the season the club had beaten every other side in the competition, with the exception of East Perth and East Fremantle.

Mr Jenner said the number of injuries did not help the club's cause. They had used 40 players in the league team throughout the year.

The following players received trophies for their performances in the club's first season: G. Krepp, A. Zilko, E. Ford, J. Penberthy, J. Park, G. Clarke, R. Millwood, H. Mosey, S. Sinclair, N. Gorn, A. Jamieson, R. Grieve, W. Hunter, H. Forbes, J. Zilko, K. McInerney, R. Millwood, N. Hunt and G. Broomhall.

The election of office bearers saw P.A. Connolly and E.T. Byrne take on the patron's duties, Mr F. Lange president, G.C. Macauley, Mr H.S. Hyde, Mr J. Jenner (Secretary), and Mr E.J. Reilly (Treasurer) as vice-presidents on the management committee.

Walker set a high standard

SWAN Districts president Bill Walker holds the record for the number of games played for the club — and it will be a long while before a serious challenge is thrown out to overhaul his tally of 305 matches.

Walker was a champion rover in the 1960s and 1970s and many pundits regard him as the best player to ever pull on the black and white guernsey.

His most immediate threat is current captain Keith Narkle, who has notched 230 matches. He would need to play at least another four injury-free seasons to overhaul Walker — and at the age of 31 he faces a tough task.

Stan Nowotny looked to be on course before retiring after last year's grand final with 279 games against his name.

Fifty two players have played 100 or more games with Swans. They are:

W. Walker 305	F. Castledine . . 163
S. Nowotny 279	E. Gorman 163
E. Barker 239	C. Maynard 160
J. Lawson 235	F. Mosey 157
A. Nesbit 235	D. Carrick 156
K. Bagley 232	R. Lowry 150
K. Narkle 230	E. Holdsworth . 147
T. Mullooly 213	W. Skwirowski . 138
D. Anderson . . . 210	W. Brown 136
J. Turnbull 209	V. Ashworth . . . 135
B. Gray 205	L. Milanko 134
P. Manning 201	D. Sidebottom . 129
S. Gillespie 201	S. Sinclair 128
R. Boucher 190	F. Sweetapple . 127
C. Litterick 179	R. Beecroft 126
J. Murray 172	R. McVee 123
K. Slater 167	J. Cooper 122



NOWOTNY

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R. Till 121	A. Lockyer 113
D. Langsford . . 121	A. Radaich 113
T. Bell 121	H. Andrews . . . 111
G. McDonald . . 120	G. Krepp 109
P. Narkle 102	M. Foxon 105
C. Patton 119	G. Bruce 104
C. Cox 117	J. O'Connell . . . 102
J. O'Neil 116	W. Sidebottom . 100
A. Cransberg . . 115	G. Latham 100

Some Swans achievements

PREMIERSHIPS

League: 1961, 1962, 1963, 1982, 1983.
Reserves: 1964, 1979.
Colts: 1958, 1971.

MEDALLISTS

Sandover: G. Krepp (1935); J. Davies (1944); H. Bunton (1962); W. Walker (1965, 1966, 1967); P. Narkle (1982).
Simpson: K. Slater (1961 Grand Final); K. Bagley (1963 Grand Final); W. Walker (1967 WA v SA); S. Beasley (1981 WA v Victoria); G. Melrose (1982 Grand Final); B. Shine (1983 Grand Final).
Prendergast (Reserves): E. Sarich (1962); G. Smith (1964); E. Ghisalberti (1965); T. Harris (1970); V. Reid (1979).
Medallists (Colts): C. Holden (1975); P. Narkle (1977).

WAFL Leading Goalkickers: M. George 1974 (9); S. Beasley 1980 (97).

ALL-AUSTRALIAN TEAM REPS

F. Sparrow (1953); W. Walker (1969); R. Beecroft (1972).

BIGGEST HOME GROUND CROWD

Bassendean Oval — 22,350 (v West Perth) on May 10, 1980.

Krepp was a fine winner

DURING their 50-year history Swan Districts have produced some fine players and the first man to win the fairest and best award at the club, George Krepp, would rate in the highest bracket.

In the club's first three years it was Krepp who took the honour.

And he was also Swans first Sandover Medallist, taking WA football's most prestigious award in 1935.

Other players to take the club trophy on three occasions include star ruckman Keith Slater, rover Haydn Bunton, who took Swans to three successive premierships, and wingman Peter Manning.

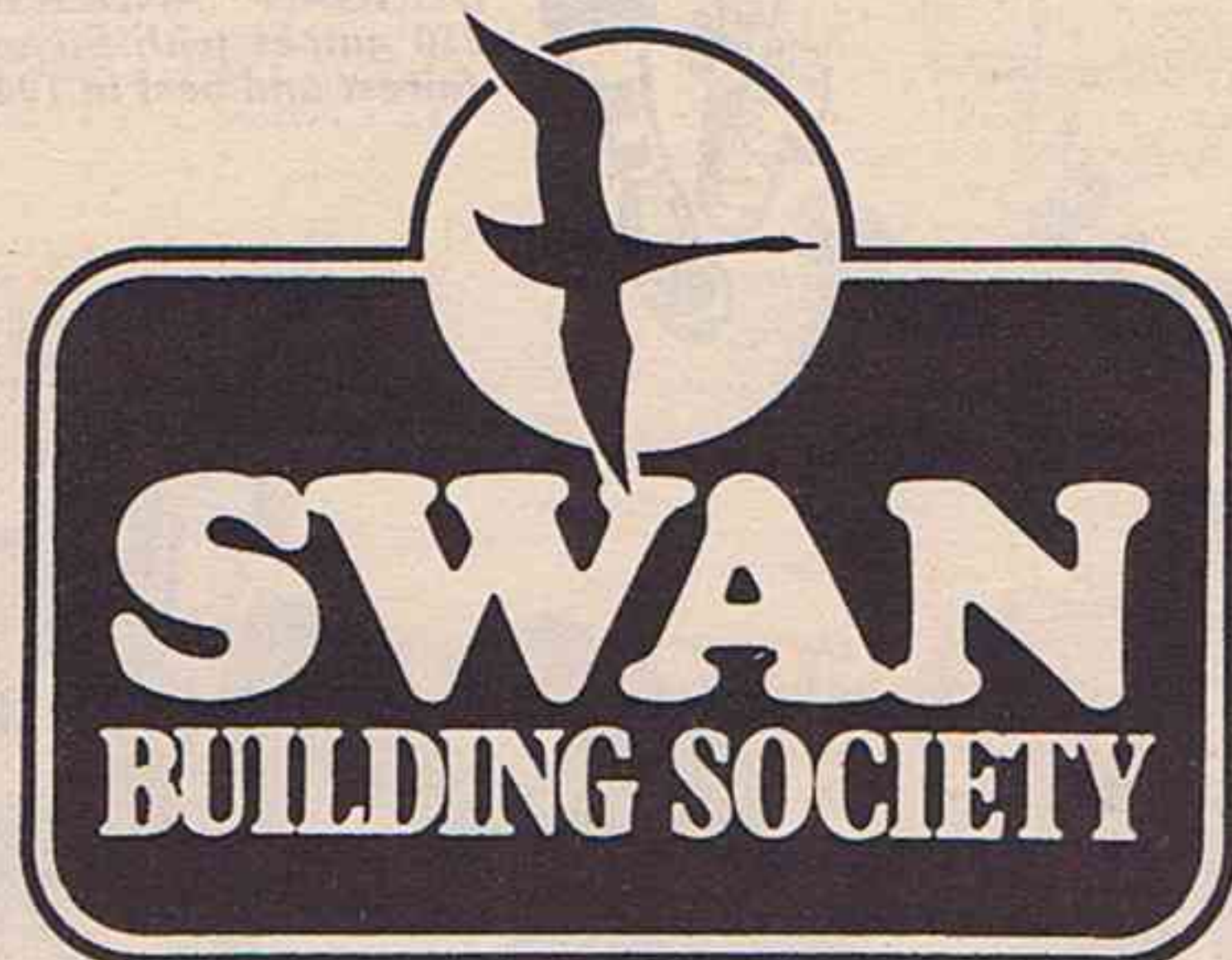
The club record is held by current president Bill Walker who was successful five times.

Fairest and best winners over the years have been:

1934 G. Krepp	1959 W. Brown
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1936 G. Krepp	1961 H. Bunton (Jr)
1937 A. Zilko	1962 H. Bunton (Jr)
1938 S. Sinclair	1963 H. Bunton (Jr)
1939 J. Murray	1964 A. Nesbit
1940 C. Rosewarne	1965 W. Walker
1941 T. Darmody	1966 W. Walker
1942 no team fielded	1967 P. Manning
1943 L. Bowen	1968 W. Walker
1944 J. Davies	1969 W. Walker
1945 S. Sinclair	1970 W. Walker
1946 D. Anderson	1971 P. Manning
1947 J. Murray	1972 R. Beecroft
1948 D. Anderson	1973 P. Manning
1949 J. Pearce	1974 S. Nowotny
1950 J. Pearce	1975 G. McDonald
1951 D. Anderson	1976 G. Sidebottom
1952 E. Barker	1977 K. Narkle
1953 F. Sparrow	1978 K. Narkle
1954 Sidebottom (Sr)	1979 G. Neesham
1955 G. Cox	1980 G. Neesham
1956 K. Slater	1981 P. Narkle
1957 K. Slater	1982 R. Boucher
1958 J. Lawson	1983 L. Baker

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HAYDN BUNTON (below)...led Swans to their first three premierships in 1961-62 and 63. Won the 1962 Sandover Medal in his second season with the club.



BILL WALKER...holds the club record of 305 league games. A triple Sandover Medallist, winning in 1965, 66 and 67. League coach from 1964 to 1971 and is currently Swans president. (See story page 12.)



JOHN TURNBULL...play games with Swans and is an important cog in the side that won premierships in the sixties.



DUGGAN ANDERSON...played 210 games with Swans, was club fairest and best in 1946 and 1951.



TONY NESBIT...played 235 games with Swans. Won the club fairest and best award in 1964 and was league coach in 1968.



STAN NOWOTNY (right)...is congratulated by John Todd at the climax of his 279 game career with Swans. Nowotny, who missed the 1982 grand final, because of injury bowed out of football following last year's premiership. He is second only to Walker in the highest tally of games played for the club. He was twice runner-up in the Sandover Medal.



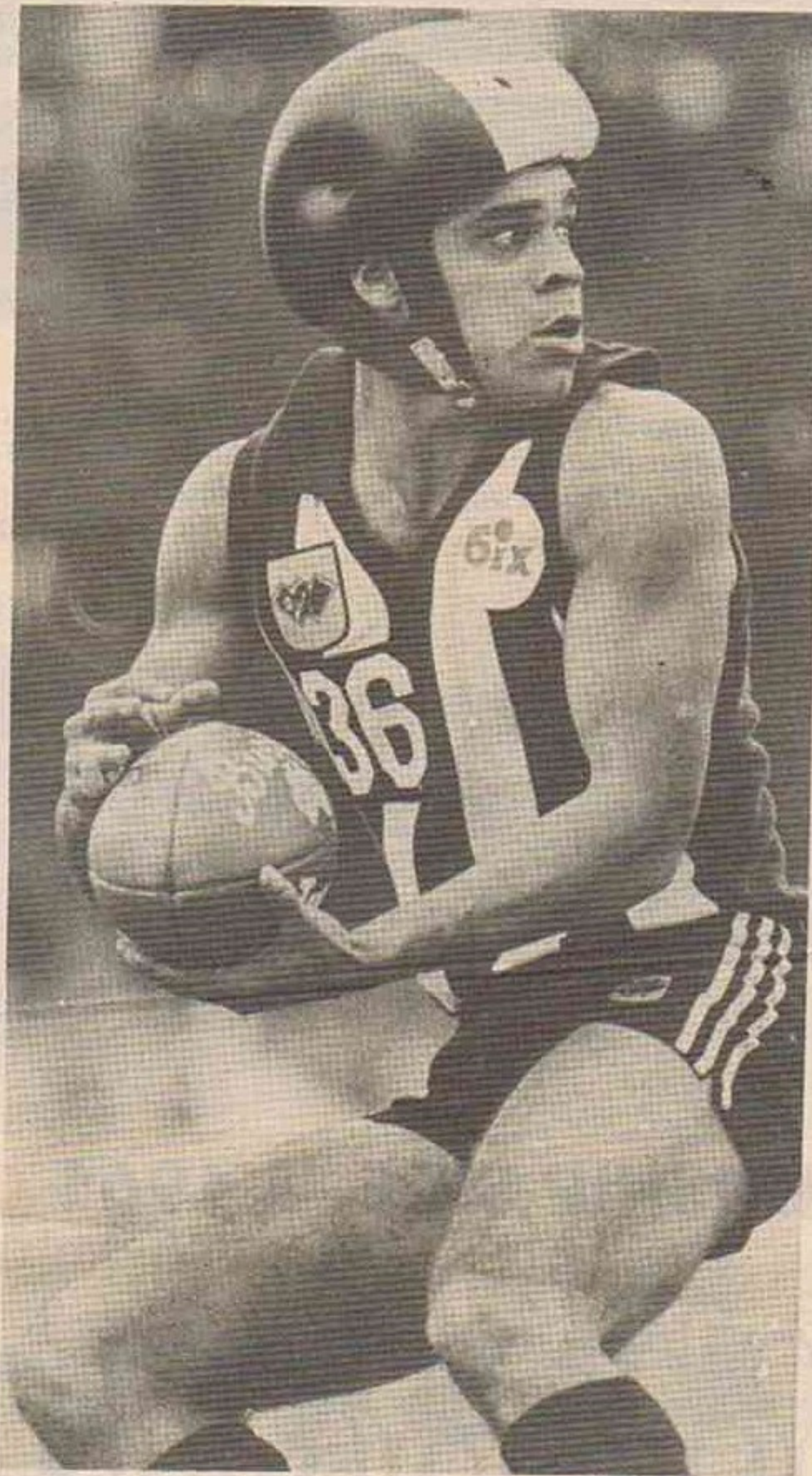
KEITH NARKLE (left)...left the club mid-way through last season. He was club president Bill Walker from 1980 to the 1983 premiership. He played for Swans and today will join the club as a coach. Nesbit on the fourth high jumper.

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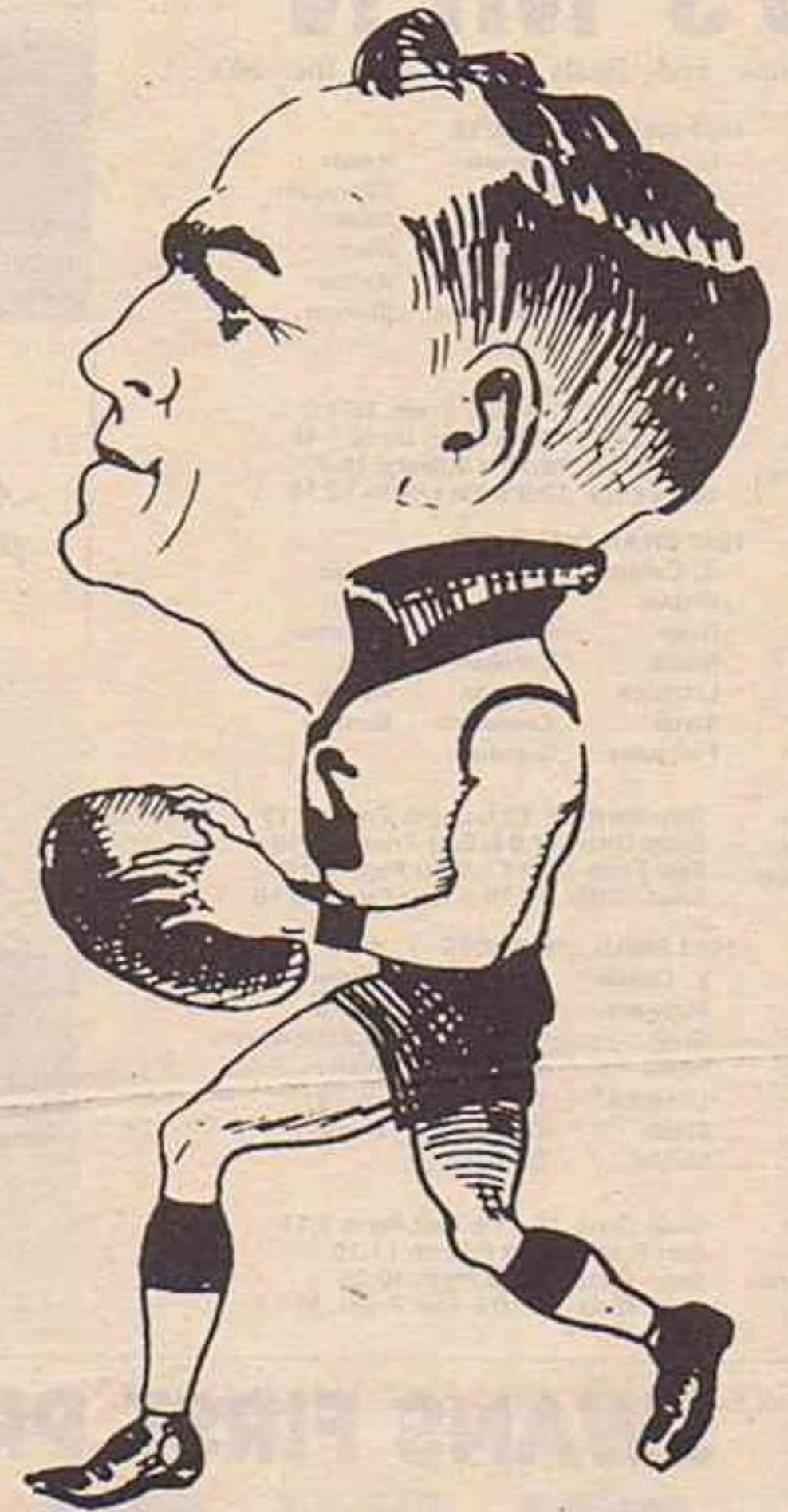
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JIM DAVIES...was the club's second Sandover Medallist in 1944. Later served as an administrator and was WAFL president during the seventies.



PHIL NARKLE...is the club's latest Sandover Medallist. He won the coveted award in 1982. Is the brother of the present captain, Keith. This season joined VFL club, St Kilda and is currently in the middle of a Court wrangle over his transfer.



GEORGE KREPP...won the club's first three fairest and best awards from 1934 to 1936, and brought the club it's first success in the Sandover Medal when he tied with Subiaco's Lou Daily in 1935.



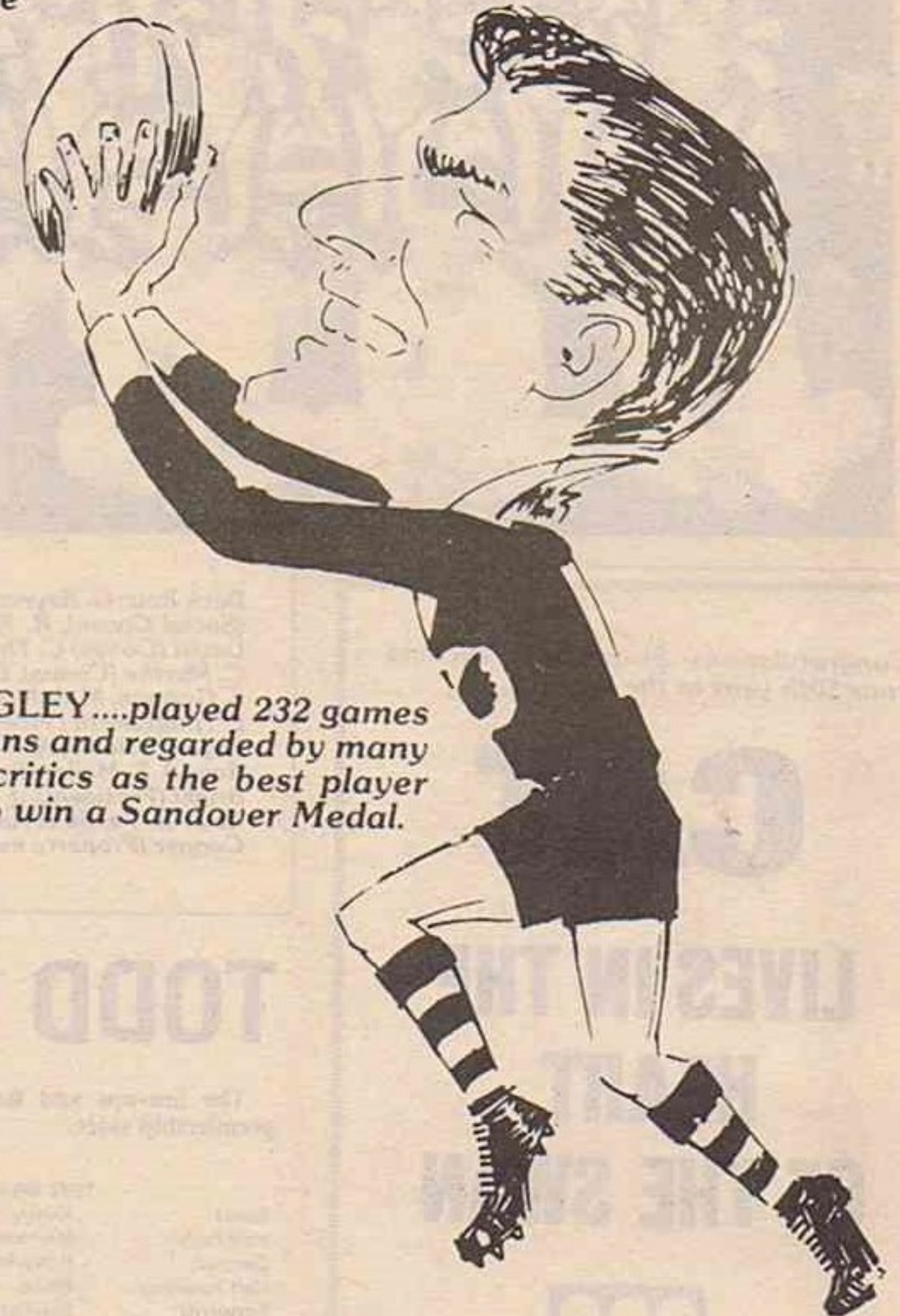
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(left)...took over as club captain last season. He is pictured above at Bill Walker after leading his team to premiership. Has played 234 games with the club and will join Joe Lawson and Tony Brown as the club's fourth highest games played tally.



JOHN TODD...holds aloft the Premiership Cup which he bought back to Bassendean Oval in 1982 after a two decade drought. Has now guided the club to two premierships in his record eight year reign as coach.



KEN BAGLEY...played 232 games with Swans and regarded by many football critics as the best player never to win a Sandover Medal.

"Would you go an Export mate?"

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BUNTON'S 60's MEN

The line-ups and finals scores for the 60's premierships.

1961 SWAN DISTRICTS
 Backs: Maynard Lawson Nesbit
 Half-backs: Brown Bagley Thompson
 Centres: B. Gray Kelleher Mack
 Half-forwards: Ashworth Turnbull Watt
 Forwards: Litterick Johnston Walker
 Ruck: Slater Castledine Bunton
 Reserves: Noble Sangalli

1961:
 1st Semi-final: Subiaco 20.17 b East Frem. 16.11
 2nd Semi-final: East Perth 14.22 b Swan Dists. 7.16
 Preliminary final: Swan Dists. 16.19 b Subiaco 15.9
 Grand final: Swan Dists. 17.9 b East Perth 12.15

1962 SWAN DISTRICTS
 Backs: K. Cooper Lawson Nesbit
 Half-backs: Brown Bagley Devitt
 Centres: Gray Maynard Copeman
 Half-forwards: Noble Turnbull Watt
 Forwards: Litterick Gorman Walker
 Ruck: Slater Castledine Bunton
 Reserves: Fullgrabe Drennan

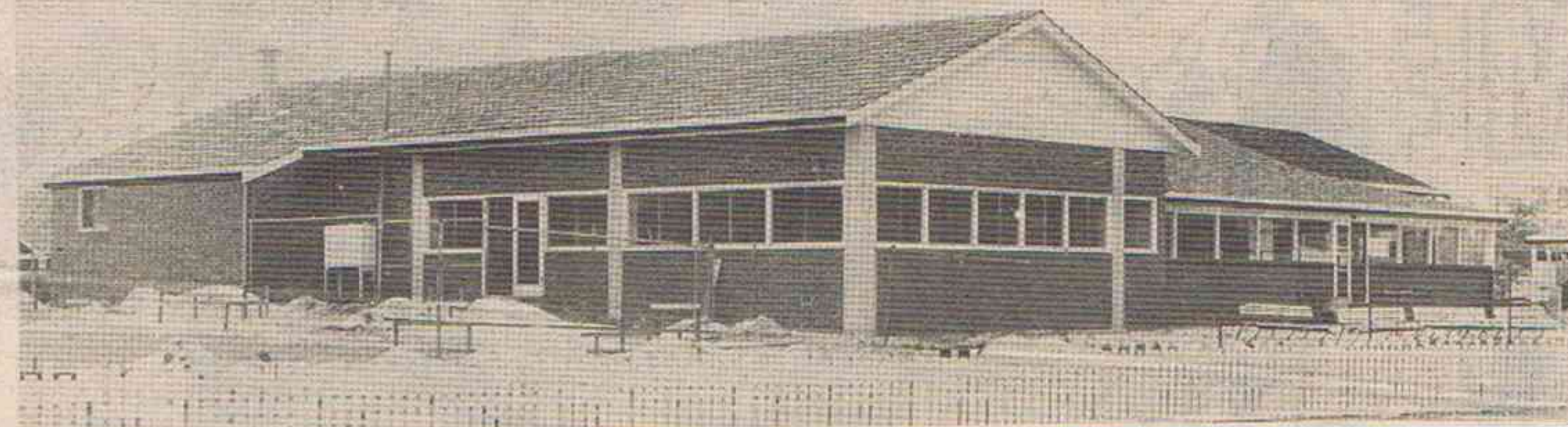
1962:
 1st Semi-final: West Perth 11.12 b South Frem. 8.17
 2nd Semi-final: Swan Dists. 17.9 b East Frem. 11.10
 Preliminary final: East Frem. 22.14 b West Perth 9.16
 Grand final: Swan Dists. 14.10 b East Frem 10.16

1963 SWAN DISTRICTS
 Backs: K. Cooper Lawson Nesbit
 Half-backs: Maynard Castledine Devitt
 Centres: Gray Turnbull D. Sidebottom
 Half-forwards: Noble Bagley Watt
 Forwards: Litterick Gorman Walker
 Ruck: Slater Copeman Bunton
 Reserves: McVee Downey

1963:
 1st Semi-final: Swan Dists. 15.11 b East Perth 7.11
 2nd Semi-final: East Frem. 14.13 b Perth 11.10
 Preliminary final: Swan Dists. 14.9 b Perth 10.25
 Grand final: Swan Dists. 17.10 b East Frem. 13.12



Times have changed since the club first took part in league football — and so have the facilities at Bassendean Oval. A major building programme was undertaken during the 1950s when the building pictured below was erected. These premises were later extended and served as headquarters until the new, modern rooms were established in the early 1970s (pictured above).



SWANS FIRST PREMIERSHIP SIDE — 1961



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 Centres: P. Narkle Baker Davidson
 Half-forwards: Shine Rance K. Narkle
 Forwards: Sidebottom Nowotny Holmes
 Ruck: Boucher Fogarty Richardson
 Interchange: Langford Fitzgerald

1982:
 1st Semi-final: West Perth 27.18 b East Perth 16.16
 2nd Semi-final: Swan Dist. 14.26 b Claremont 12.10
 Preliminary final: Claremont 18.23 b West Perth 13.15
 Grand final: Swan Dist. 18.19 b Claremont 11.12

1983 SWAN DISTRICTS
 Backs: Skwirowski Solin Ware
 Half-backs: Langford Rance Brenton
 Centres: K. Narkle Smith P. Narkle
 Half-forwards: Neesham Kenny Holmes
 Forwards: Kimberley Baker Boucher
 Ruck: Sartori Fogarty Shine
 Interchange: Cransberg Nowotny

1983:
 1st Semi-final: Swan Dist. 21.25 b East Frem. 13.14
 2nd Semi-final: Claremont 20.11 b South Frem. 14.26
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Swans produced two of the greatest full-backs in the history of WA football. Tim Barker, (Above left), who played 239 league games between 1944 and 1959 was a dedicated footballer during a period when the club enjoyed little success.

Joe Lawson (right), was just beginning to establish himself when Barker retired. Lawson began his 235 game career in 1955 and was a member of the club's three premierships sides in the early sixties. He retired after a distinguished career in 1966.

Full-forwards have been scarce

SWAN Districts have enjoyed success in WAFL awards, but they have been out of luck when it comes to unearthing full-forwards capable of taking out the leading goalkicker title.

Only twice have they provided the leading WAFL goalkicker.

And on the second occasion it took a decision by the WAFL's directors to discount goals kicked when the State team was away, and give Simon Beasley joint honours with Claremont's Warren Ralph.

When Beasley was in Adelaide with the State team in 1980, Ralph kicked five goals, but the directors decided that those goals would not be included in official lists.

The only other Swan Districts player to finish at the top of the goalkicking table was Max George when he kicked 90 goals in 1974 — the year of the club's 40th anniversary.

Swans' leading goalkickers since 1934 have been:

1934 N. GORN	45	1951 R. HAWKE	29	1968 E. GORMAN	60
1935 F. SWEETAPPLE	22	1952 J. O'CONNELL	33	1969 M. GEORGE	30
1936 E. HOLDSWORTH	71	1953 B. GRAY	40	1970 I. COOPER	39
1937 E. HOLDSWORTH	109	1954 R. LOWRY	24	1971 I. COOPER	33
1938 E. HOLDSWORTH	116	1955 M. CLEMENTS	25	1972 M. FOXON	33
1939 E. HOLDSWORTH	51	1956 R. LOWRY	46	1973 M. GEORGE	46
1940 E. HOLDSWORTH	73	1957 R. LOWRY	45	1974 M. GEORGE	90
1941 E. HOLDSWORTH	65	1958 C. EDWARDS	40	1975 B. CLOSE	43
1942 No side		1959 C. EDWARDS	46	1976 M. OLSEN	50
1943 E. PORTER	44	1960 H. FULLGRABE	33	1977 M. OLSEN	46
1944 J. CUSACK	91	1961 W. WALKER	61	1978 M. OLSEN	79
1945 E. HOLDSWORTH	80	1962 E. GORMAN	93	1979 M. OLSEN	85
1946 G. KING	36	1963 E. GORMAN	71	1980 S. BEASLEY	97
1947 G. KING	30	1964 E. GORMAN	67	1981 S. BEASLEY	119
1948 R. LATHAM	39	1965 E. GORMAN	97	1982 M. RICHARDSON	75
1949 R. LATHAM	59	1966 E. GORMAN	68	1983 P. WERNER	41
1950 V. ZANI	36	1967 E. GORMAN	73		



Ted Holdsworth, the first player to kick 100 goals with Swan congratulates Max George on becoming the first Swan player to head the WAFL goal-kicking list.



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3. Cabarets and special functions are held during the year, notices of which is given through our periodical The Fighting Swan, and daily newspapers.

4. Every member receives a copy of several issues of our periodical The Fighting Swan, together with a copy of the Annual Report

5. All full members are entitled to one vote at each election.

6. Admittance to the club is by membership card only which must be produced on request.



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THRILL FOR A PRESIDENT

IN 1951 a raw young recruit from Manjimup joined Swans and won the inaugural R.A. Newbey Trophy as the best first year player.

This young man went on to play 122 league games, but it was more than 30 years later that he enjoyed his greatest thrill in football.

After serving terms as club treasurer and secretary he was elected president in 1976 and worked closely with coach John Todd to bring Swans back to the force it is today.

Therefore it was a proud moment for A.A. (John) Cooper when he stepped on to the dais at Subiaco Oval on grand final day 1982 to share the glory of breaking a two-decade drought of premierships.

That day also marked the end of a long association with the club as John Cooper vacated the president's chair to make way for another club champion...Bill Walker.

FLYING MITCHELL

Brilliant Claremont rover Michael Mitchell was at his best on Saturday when he clinched most weekly media awards in the first quarter. To open up he kicked a freak goal from the boundary line (see the Peter Jackson Superscore Page 9) and then he pulled down this miraculous mark over Subiaco ruck rover Greg Wilkinson. And he nearly made sure of the mark of the day awards with an even bigger leap. He hung in the air for what seemed like several seconds only to see the wet ball slip through his fingers. Picture: Richie Hann.

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West Perth's strong reply

WEST Perth have reacted to criticism levelled at them by Westside Football columnist Grant Dorrington.

In Dorro's Diary last week, Dorrington said that the Falcons strategy in recruiting players from the VFL and other WAFL clubs was doomed to failure.

The former East Perth coach said West Perth should cultivate juniors from within their zone to play league football.

However, club general manager Graeme Pleydell said this week that the Falcons were forced into recruiting drives because they had the smallest country zone of the eight league clubs.

"At the end of the 1981 season West Perth were doomed to spend many years in the football wilderness," Mr Pleydell says.

"That is something which may have been well received in other quarters, but not at West Perth.

"To overcome both a lack of quality and quantity of players, a two-ground attack was necessary and undertaken.

"We had to recruit both interstate and local players and at the same time set up development programmes to help assist junior players to come through the senior ranks.

"In implementing that programme we must consider that West Perth's country zone has only 5.3 percent of the country population," Mr Pleydell says.

"Compare that to the other clubs Claremont 12.6 percent; East Fremantle 15.7, East Perth 8.9, South Fremantle 9.2, Subiaco 17.6 and Swan Districts 17.3.

"This, combined with the decision by the other seven clubs to take the large Wanneroo area from West Perth, made any reasonable prospect of junior players coming through in numbers exceedingly slight.

"It is also worth mentioning that one club's representative, when voting to take the Wanneroo Shire from our metropolitan zone, stated: ... 'I have never liked West Perth and they always seem to get the breaks...'"

"Grant Dorrington made mention in his

story that Swan Districts and Claremont relied on predominantly home-grown players.

"Yet on Saturday, April 14 Swans' 20 players comprised 12 recruits while Claremont's top 20 had eight recruits. West Perth had 10.

"Our club will continue to pick the best players possible, whether they are from Sydney, Nukarni or Mt Hawthorn.

"The fact that criticism is levelled at us by those who have, or have had, associations with other clubs, suggests strongly that we are on the right track," Mr Pleydell says.



THOMAS HARDY present . . .

FLYNN'S FOLLY

Radio 6KY's Tim Flynn awards a bottle of Hardy's Grand Reserve Brut Champagne each week to a football personality who says (or does) something foolish.

THIS week's award goes to East Perth president Mal Atwell. After watching South Fremantle (who he once coached) carve holes in the East Perth defence to kick 33 goals he commented: "South are not unbeatable. Their defence looks suspect." Just as well, Mal, otherwise the Royals might have had trouble kicking their three goals in the first three quarters!

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A CHANGING SCENE AMONG COACHES

THE junior football coaching scene has changed noticeably in recent times — as a comment by Mrs Sandra Mills on Channel 7's World of Sport last Sunday confirmed.

JUNIORS coaches are so hard to get that more women are becoming involved in junior football every year.

Sandra has coached the Koondoola 9s team since last season and was asked by John K. Watts (during the junior football segment) how she got into coaching.

Sandra said she felt committed to coach because no-one else made themselves available.

"If I did not find the time to coach the team they would not be playing football," Sandra stated.

It is obvious that there are fewer experienced junior coaches available these days. The majority of present day junior football coaches are usually very young or, in Sandra's case, a female entering what is believed to be a male-orientated sport.

COACHING COURSES

A MONTH ago I told the story of the Midland Junior Football Club where the entire committee were women. All were mothers who had rallied to keep the players together after fears of the club folding through lack of male interest.

I also reported recently on the five coaching courses planned by the WAFL and Department of Youth, Sport, and Recreation.

Because of the lack of applications, three courses had to be cancelled. One course was held at the Greenwood High School on April 3, 10, and 17 and only nine coaches attended. The other, at the Kelmscott High School on April 5, 12, and 19, did better with 19 coaches.

WA has an estimated 10,000 Junior Football coaches.

At a Junior Council board meeting last week two reasons for non-interest by Junior coaches were considered. One was that some inexperienced coaches felt the courses were beyond them being too concentrated and they were frightened off.

The other reason was that experienced coaches had the attitude that they had been coaching for so long they did need further tuition.

UNEDUCATED

The problem of getting coaches to coach juniors the correct method (the NFL way) is ever increasing and of great concern to junior football administrators.

The WAFL has plans to ban any coach who has not obtained a preliminary coaching certificate from officiating in any finals from 1986 onwards.

Sandra Mills told television viewers that most parents were uneducated when it came to junior football, especially Modified Rules.

Sandra, who holds a Level 2 coaching certificate and a Basic Sports Trainer's certificate, explained how she learnt most of her coaching methods from books obtained from the WAFL.

Sandra said three other women helped her run the Koondoola 9s team, which is in Subiaco's/Wanneroo Junior Football League.

UMPIRES UNITE

A junior council Umpires Advisor's Association was formed last week.

The umpires advisors from each metropolitan junior council plan to meet regularly and become uniform in everything they do.

This season the umpiring fees in each junior council was made uniform.

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?

I have captained a VFL premiership side. I am now with my second WAFL club. But I'm out injured at present.

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 question was Peter Featherby and the lucky winner is Wayne Turner of Cloverdale.



THERE was no shortage of action in the R & I Little League match between Claremont and Subiaco on Saturday. And in this hectic passage of play a young Subiaco player is about to deliver the ball despite the efforts of his Claremont counterpart. Unfortunately for the young Lion, his effort was to no avail because the Tigers won comfortable.

WELCOME FORRESTDALE

THE Forrestdale Junior Football Club has been established and is the only metropolitan junior football club to inaugurate this season.

The club is affiliated in the South Suburban Junior Football Association.

Club President Bert Roberts told Westside Football that the club was started because of the distance players had to travel to neighbouring Armadale, where 17 players and some officials were originally bound.

Forrestdale, donning red and white colours, have 8s, 9s, and 11s teams. Its present registration is 60 players, but they are in need of more players, especially in the 9s grade.

Each grade plays standard rules. The 8s have their fixtures on Saturday mornings while the 9s and 11s play on Sunday mornings.

The club's home venue is the Forrestdale Primary School.

If any young hopefuls are interested in being a part of the new club, contact Bert Roberts on 397 0191 or Secretary Pam Burrige on 397 0315.

SIDELINE SUPPORT

THE R and I Little League game between Subiaco and Claremont at Subiaco Oval last Saturday must have been a grand final for some supporters.

As the game was in progress a sole figure, a St John's Ambulance officer, stood on one side of the oval. On the other side of the field was a huge crowd. Apart from team coaches, managers, and players, there were 112 supporters who lined the boundary.

REASONS WANTED

A LACK of interest in inter district competition has led to the WAFL's football director Dr Tom Stannage taking action.

Dr Stannage, has asked for a letter from each junior council about its feelings on the present inter-districts format.

He was concerned that some clubs seemed to show little interest in the inter-districts matches.

Big win

Perth scored the biggest win of the R & I Little League round of fixtures when they proved too strong for Swan Districts.

The young Demons kicked 5.1 (31) during the half time break in the main match and they kept Swans down to just 0.1 (1) at the same time.

Bradley Hindmarsh, Glenn Brewton and Christian Gardener led the Demons assault while the best players for Swans were Troy Robertson, Graham Medclith and Garry Conway.

East Perth also scored a strong win, kicking 3.1 (19) to South Fremantle's 1.0 (6).

Hong King-Ho was a top player for the Royals and he received solid support from Brad Kirwin-Ward, Gus Cuscirello and Dail Scally. Best for the Bulldogs were Jeff Hansen, Ricky Smithince and Michael Turner.

Claremont were on target in Saturday's game against Subiaco and they went on to record a good win 3.0 (18) to the Lions 1.1 (7).

Jim Robinson, Darren Vanirson and Douglas Tringas played well for Claremont while Subiaco's best players were William Hogan, John Donnelly and Gail Hayter.

In the closest game of the round East Fremantle beat West Perth — 3.1 (19) to 2.1 (13).

Richard Sherriff, Nicholas Littis, Jonathon Stagg and John Marshall were dominant for the young Sharks while West Perth had strong contributors in Paul Walters, Scott McPhee, Greg Quartermaine and Warren Shane.

PREMIERSHIP TABLE

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
CLAREMONT	4	3	1	79	24	329	12
EAST PERTH	4	3	1	66	41	161	12
SWAN DIST	4	3	1	60	40	150	12
SUBIACO	4	2	2	50	46	109	8
West Perth	4	2	2	29	43	67	8
East Fremantle	4	2	2	44	66	67	8
Perth	4	1	3	72	163	45	4
South Fremantle	4	0	4	10	73	14	0

BEACH ENCOUNTER

THE two top teams in Claremont Football Club's Tiger Cup 17s competition — City Beach/Floreat and North Beach — will do battle this Sunday at Beach Oval, Carine.

This season's eight team competition has begun well and Claremont officials are expecting an exciting year.

The current ladder positions are City Beach/Floreat (8), North Beach (8), Wembley/Doubleview (8), Karrinyup (4), Hawks (4), Wembley/Doubleview (0), Marist Royals (0), and Churchlands/Wembley (0).

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.

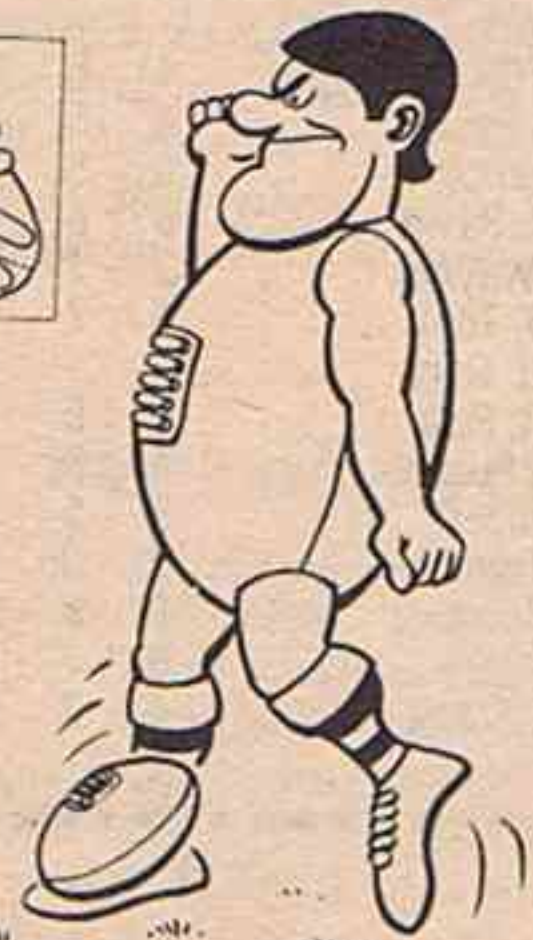
The drop kick...

It's gone, but not forgotten and maybe one day you'll win a grand final with a blistering drop kick right on to your full-forward's chest. So learn it right from the start.

The hands are held the same as the drop punt, but slightly more forward. Try to give yourself the feeling that you've really got the ball in the palm of your hands.

The ball is kicked as it bounces on the ground, on its point, naturally.

Contact is made with the front part of your foot, almost down to your toes. And your body is a little more upright than with the punt kick.



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WESTSIDE RATINGS

Mitchell takes the lead

CLAREMONT rover Michael Mitchell has taken over as the leader in the Westside Football-Crestwood Inntown Perth Hotel Player Ratings.

Mitchell polled nine votes for his performance on Saturday against Subiaco to take his tally to 31 and he now leads by one solitary point from team-mate Steve Malaxos.

Just one vote behind are South Fremantle captain Brad Hardie and East Fremantle's brilliant young centreman Murray Wrensted.



Michael Mitchell

Perth



	WP	V	S	EP	SD	Tot
BAYNES, Rhett	8	7	7	6	28	
BELL, Ken	-	-	4r	-	4	
BOSUSTOW, Peter	-	-	8	2	10	
CARTER, Lindsay	4	5	5	4	18	
COUSINS, Bryan	7	7	8	5	27	
COLLIE, Paul	3r	-	-	-	3	
DAWSON, Brian	-	-	4	5	9	
FANCOTE, Kim	4	3	6	6	19	
GANDINI, Len	-	-	6	4	10	
GARBIN, Michael	2	4	7	2	15	
HOOKE, Robbie	4	4	-	-	8	
McGUIRE, Oral	5	3i	7	3	18	
MUMFORD, Harry	6	5	8	3	22	
O'CONNELL, Peter	3	4	-	-	7	
PRUNSTER, Ross	-	-	-	5	5	
REA, Michael	-	5	6	4	15	
RICHARDSON, Lloyd	6	3r	-	-	9	
ROBERTS, Clinton	6	4	3r	-	13	
SIMMS, Wayne	6	4	-	3r	13	
SMITH, Glen	5	5	6	-	16	
SMITH, Wayne	-	-	-	4r	4	
SPALDING, Earl	6	5	6	3	20	
THOMSON, Geoff	5	4	6	2	17	
TURNER, Steve	3r	-	-	-	3	
WASHFOLD, Mark	8	5	5	6	24	
WILEY, Robert	4	5	9	6	24	
WORTHINGTON, Kevin	-	5	5	3	13	
YORGEY, Brett	7	3	6	5	21	

East Fremantle



	V	S	EP	SD	Tot
ALEXANDER, Ron	6	6	4	4	20
BROWNING, Clint	5	6	7	5	23
BELLOTTI, John	4r	-	-	-	4
BRENNAN, Michael	5	6	5	5	21
BUCKLEY, Michael	-	-	-	4	4
BUKTEENICA, Brett	4r	6	3r	-	13
CARTER, Graham	-	-	2r	-	2
CASSIDY, Jeff	4i	5	4	5	18
CLAESSEN, John	4	7	5	6	22
ELLIS, Shane	6	7	8	5	26
GREEN, Stephen	-	-	6	6	12
HARDING, Paul	4	8	7	7	26
HOULT, Glenn	5	8	7	4	24
JONES, Billy	7	5	5	6	23
KERR, Roger	4	7	5	4	20
KICKETT, Graham	4	-	-	-	4
MITCHELL, Glenn	-	-	-	4	4
NOLAN, John	-	-	6	6	12
PITTORINI, Joe	-	5	4	-	9
RANKIN, David	6	7	5	6	24
SHAW, Mark	-	5	5	4	14
STERRETT, Ray	3	-	-	4	7
TURCO, Mario	-	5	2i	-	7
VALLI, Mark	5	5	5	6	21
WATERSON, Colin	2	-	-	-	2
WAKE, Gavin	5	3r	-	-	8
WILSON, Peter	6	7	5	7	25
WRENSTED, Murray	7	8	6	8	29

East Perth



	SD	WP	V	S	EP	Tot
BARTLETT, Glen	6	4	4	4	18	
BLAKELY, Mark	-	-	-	4	4	
CARPENTER, Greg	5	7	7	5	24	
CAMPBELL, Grant	7	7	7	4	25	
CHRISTIAN, Michael	8	6	5	4	23	
COCKER, Shane	4	-	-	-	4	
DA RUI, Steven	2r	3r	-	3	8	
DENNIS, Richard	4	7	6	4	21	
DAWSON, Peter	5	5	6	-	16	
EARNSHAW, Craig	-	-	-	4	4	
FULLARTON, Brett	4	6	3	3	16	
HIGGINS, Paul	4	5	4	3	16	
KELLY, Lance	5	5	4	-	14	
MORGAN, David	6	6	4	2	18	
OTWAY, Wayne	7	7	6	-	20	
PAPOTTO, Tony	6	7	5	5	23	
SHELDON, Gary	-	-	3r	3	6	
SPENCER, Peter	7	9	6	3i	25	
SPARKS, Russell	6	8	6	4	24	
SOLIN, Robert	5	5	2i	4	16	
SMITH, Tom	2r	3r	2r	3	10	
SCOTT, John	8	8	2	4	22	
WALSH, Greg	6	7	6	4	23	
WILSON, Frank	5	7	4	4	20	

South Fremantle



	V	S	EP	SD	Tot
AMOROSO, Tony	8	3	-	4	15
ARNOLD, Paul	4	-	3	-	7
BARRETT, Rod	7	5	7	8	27
CARTER, Noel	6	6	7	7	26
CARTER, Gavin	7	4	5	5	21
COCKIE, Michael	-	5	5	-	10
CORNELL, Kevin	5	2	3	4	14
DOROTICH, Jon	5	6	4	8	23
DOBSON, Glynn	5	3	-	-	8
EDWARDS, Craig	9	5	6	7	27
GILLIES, Geoff	-	-	7	6	13
GRLJUSICH, Rod	4r	4r	4	7	19
HARDIE, Brad	8	6	8	7	29
HART, David	8	7	5	8	28
HAYES, John	6	3	3	6	18
HENWOOD, Wayne	-	5r	7	6	18
KEYSER, Mark	-	-	-	4	4
LITTLE, Brett	-	-	3	-	3
MATERA, Wally	5	6	-	-	11
MICHAEL, Stephen	-	-	6	6	12
MOSCONI, Warren	6	7	6	-	19
MOUNT, Stephen	4r	4	-	6	14
RAWLINSON, David	-	-	-	3r	3
ROE, Willie	6	-	-	-	6
VASOLI, Paul	7	5	4	7	23
VIGONA, Benny	3	2	6	7	18
WINMAR, Nicky	5	4	8	3i	20

Swan Districts



	V	S	EP	SD	Tot
AHMAT, Joe	-	-	2r	-	2
ALLEN, Chris	4	5	-	-	9
BLACKABY, Ed	6	4	-	5	15
BOGUNOVICH, Shane	-	-	-	6i	6
BRENTON, Leigh	5	7	3	6	21
BURGESS, Chris	-	-	-	6	6
FARMER, Brett	3r	-	2	-	5
FOGARTY, Jon	-	6	7	6	19
HETHERINGTON, Kim	3	6	7	8	24
HUTTON, Brent	4	6	6	6	22
HODYL, Peter	-	-	-	6	6
HOLMES, Don	6	6	8	9	29
HOYER, Craig	3	3	3	-	9
JOHNS, Michael	6	7	3	6	22
KIMBERLEY, Barry	5	7	7	4	23
LANGSFORD, Don	6	7	8	7	28
MARSHALL, Ken	3	6	2	5	16
MAHER, Andrew	2i	-	-	-	2
NARKLE, Keith	7	5	4	6	22
NEESHAM, Gerard	6	2i	-	-	8
RANCE, Murray	4	8	7	7	26
RICHARDSON, Steve	4	5	3	7	19
SHINE, Brad	7	8	6	6	27
SMITH, Alby	-	-	2r	5	7
SARTORI, Peter	5	5	7	-	17
SOLIN, Tony	4	5	3	4r	16
WARE, Peter	4	6	7	8	25

Subiaco



	V	S	EP	SD	Tot
ASHWORTH, Peter	-	5	6	4	15
BENGOUGH, John	5	-	-	-	5
BROWN, Clint	8	6	6	5	25
BROWN, Rod	-	6	3	6r	15
CRUTCHFIELD, Mike	7	5	5	6	23
FEATHERBY, Peter	9	-	-	6	20
FLOYD, Tom	-	-	4	-	4
FOTHERINGHAM, Neil	8	4	6	4	22
KEENE, Laurie	7	6	5	2	20
KELLY, Greg	5	5	5	2r	17
LAMB, Dwayne	5	7	6	5	23
LAMB, Phil	6	8	7	6	27
LEE, Mick	-	5	4	-	9
LEISHMAN, Steve	7	5	5	6	23
QUICK, Barrie	6	4i	-	3	13
REEVES, Ray	7	7	4	5	23
ROSS, Paul	-	-	4	-	4
SCOTT, Phil	7	-	-	6	13
SELLS, Stephen	-	-	-	2	2
TAYLOR, Brian	-	5	7	2	14
TAYLOR, Neil	6	7	7	5	25
TOWNSEND, John	3	-	1r	-	4
TUCKER, Ian	5r	4i	-	-	9
WARNER, Bevan	7	6	-	5	18
WALLWORK, Paul	7	5	-	-	12
WILKINSON, Greg	8	6	7	7	28
WILSON, Paul	4r	4	5	3	16

West Perth



	V	S	EP	SD	Tot
AVERY, Peter	-	2	3	3	8
ADAMSON, Brian	2i	-	-	-	2
ALDERTON, Rod	9	5	7	7	28
BELL, Brendan	-	3	6	5	14
BENNETT, Malcolm	4	4	2r	-	10
BOGUNOVICH, Ramsay	-	4	6	4	14
BRADMORE, Phil	4	4	4	2	14
CAMPBELL, Dean	4	-	5	4r	13
COMERFORD, Graeme	7r	4	5	5	21
DAYMAN, Wayne	6	5	7	4	22
FALCONER, Dean	3r	-	-	-	3
FONG, Les	5	4	5	-	14
GASTEYICH, John	-	2r	-	-	2
HENDRIKS, Geoff	6	4	5	6	21
KICKETT, Derek	5	5	6	5	21
LOCKMAN, Michael	-	5	6	5	16
MENAGLIO, Peter	-	5	7	6	18
MICHALCZYK, George	5	-	-	-	5
MIFKA, Paul	6	5	7	4	22
MOUNTAIN, Paul	2	-	3	5	10
MUGAVIN, Noel	-	5	7	7	19
NELSON, Craig	6	5	6	5	22
O'BRIEN, Mick	6	-	-	5	11
PERRIN, Brian	6	5	8	6	25
POLSON, Gordon	4	-	-	-	4
ROSS, Bradley	-	3	-	-	3
SIMMS, Doug	-	-	6	4	10
STEPHENS, Mark	3	-	-	-	3
WARWICK, Dean	5	5	5	5	20

Claremont



	V	S	EP	SD	Tot
BARNES, Colin	3	5	-	5	13
BEECROFT, Barry	-	-	4	2i	6
DANIELS, Allen	6	5	6	7	24
DICKFOS, Michael	4	6	4r	7	21
DAVIDSON, Peter	4	-	-	-	4
FARMER, Dean	-	5	5	-	10
FINCH, Steven	-	-	-	5	5
FOULKES, Chris	-	-	-	3r	3
GOULDING, Steve	5	4	5	7	21
HANN, Mark	-	-	-	6	6
HARPER, Baden	4	5	-	6	15
JAMIESON, Peter	-	5	5	5	15
KANTHER, Lindsay	4	5	5	7	21
KAVANAGH, Brendan	-	-	5	5	10
KICKETT, Larry	2r	-	5	-	7
LILL, Simon	-	-	-	4	4
MALAXOS, Steve	8	7	7	8	30
MIERS, David	4	3r	-	-	7
MITCHELL, Michael	7	7	8	9	31
MONTEATH, Bruce	6	-	-	-	6
MORTON, Noel	5	5	7	6	23
O'CONNELL, David	5	8	4	8	25
O'CONNELL, Mike	5	6	4	7	22
PANIZZA, Darrell	3	7	3	8	21
PARK, Neil	-	-	-	6	6
RAKICH, Ian	-	-	-	6r	6
REYNOLDS, Brad	-	7	6	-	13
ROWE, Alan	5	5	-	-	10
STONE, Jeff	4	2i	-	-	6
SMITH, Ray	3	6	4	3r	16
WINNING, Dean	7	2i	-	-	9

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Plenty of Water-men!

THE name Waterman could soon be mentioned in the same breath as East Fremantle. At present there are three brothers playing for the Sharks — two of them, Craig and Chris, in the colts team. They are the younger brothers of Russell Waterman, who played five league games last year before dislocating his left shoulder mid-season. In



Russell Waterman

addition, last year's colts coach was Peter Waterman, and although he is no relation to the three boys, it would have developed into an interesting situation had he still been with the Sharks. Craig and Chris are both on the injured list at present, but they were playing solidly until sidelined and they are expected to follow in Russell's footsteps.

ANOTHER VIGONA

BENNY Vigona's young brother, Tony played his first game with the South Fremantle colts on Monday and finished the match with two goals. However, he found it difficult settling into his new surroundings and did not have the influence that he will obviously have later in the year. He had trained with the colts squad just once before Monday's match and that compounded problems because he did not know many of the players. Tony was chosen in the Northern Territory Teal Cup before coming to Perth to play football and he will return to Darwin in June to represent his home territory. The Bulldogs are hopeful of enticing him back to the west after the Teal Cup carnival. Considering he had not trained for five weeks before arriving in Perth he is a player with outstanding credentials.

COUNTRY BOYS

IT HAS been the policy at Perth to bring young country players to the city to try their hand at colts level. And this Saturday another youngster will be given his opportunity. Wongan Hills star Wayne Foote will come to Perth this weekend for the Teal Cup trials so the Demons have decided to make the most of his presence. He will line-up for the Perth colts on Saturday, before taking part in State under-18 trials on Sunday morning. Another young player from the country who will be given a run with the colts in the near future is Beverley's Grenville Ugle. The talented Ugle has been offered a job in the city and he will make the move within a couple of weeks. He is a brilliant centman with great potential.



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Royals start to show strength

ROYALS emerged as the team to beat in the Southern Districts National Football League when they won the battle of the giants at Centennial Oval last week.

They met the other undefeated team in the competition, Alan Watling's Railways, and scored a 14-point victory.

Matches between the two sides have become traditionally tough, willing affairs and Sunday's contest was no exception with Tempers fraying early in the match.

Royals won the match because they were the first side to settle down after some early brawls. It was a disappointing day for Watling as he tried everything within his power to keep his players' minds on the job.

The former West Perth and All-Australian star was one of the few exceptions. However, they did show signs of being a side capable of breaking a long premiership drought for the club.

There was little between the two sides for most of the day, but Royals full-forward Wayne Turpin, who had been well held for most of the day, broke the shackles in the last term and finished with six goals.

That gives him 20 goals from just two games after returning to the Lions from Queensland. He received solid support all day from Geoff Simpson, John Boccomazzo, John Gleghorn, "Sticky" Bell and Don Nesbitt.

Railways' good players were Alan Watling, Craig Bevan, Ned Parnell and Darryl Woods. In other games, South Mt Barker caused a boilover by beating North Mt Barker by 28 points and North Albany beat a rejuvenated Denmark side by nine goals.

Mixed results for Perth trio

THREE former league players now coaching in the Great Northern National Football League are returning mixed results.

Roger Crouch, Ron Bentley and Ross Kerr have all taken on coaching duties in the Geraldton-based league this season.

Crouch, who left East Fremantle this season after a lengthy career which began with his league debut in 1978, is coaching Northampton and they have made a tremendous start to the season, winning the first three games.

The former East Fremantle half back has them playing a splendid brand of football and they have won all their matches with plenty in reserve.

Crouch played his junior football in East Fremantle's metropolitan zone, before going down to the club in an effort to play league football.

He notched up more than 70 games for the club before deciding that he had had enough and wanted to move to the country to coach.



Roger Crouch

Still only 25, he earned a reputation as one of the unobtrusive defenders of West Australian football, during his career.

Bentley is also a former East Fremantle star and he is now in charge of Railways.

The solidly built half-back, who was one of the toughest players in the WAFL during the 1970s, has his team sitting in fourth position on the GNNFL premiership table with one win.

However, there are signs that he has a team capable of playing a big part in this year's finals.

Bentley is originally from Collie and was a fine player for East Fremantle before his premature retirement to go back to country football.

He played 130 games for the club before heading to Geraldton and every one of those matches was stamped with his own special brand of determination.

Kerr is captain-coach of fifth team Chapman Valley and he looks to have the toughest assignment of the trio.

The former East Perth and South Fremantle utility player has tried desperately to lead his team by example, but they have failed to take up the challenge.

Kerr began his career with South Fremantle in 1976, but found his size a handicap in winning a regular league game initially.

However, through sheer perseverance and determination, he eventually became a senior player at the club and tallied 63 games for the Bulldogs before going to East Perth in 1981.

But mid-way through last year he decided his career was not going in the direction he wanted so he moved to Geraldton and played out the season with Chapman Valley.



Clayton Lewis

LEWIS STARS DOWN SOUTH

CLAYTON Lewis is being hailed as the recruit of the year in the South West National Football League.

The former Claremont and East Perth utility player has been in blistering form in the opening two fixtures and most people believe he has been best on ground on both occasions.

It is largely due to the influence of Lewis that South Bunbury are rated as the best chance to end the premiership run of arch rivals, Bunbury.

The Bulldogs have won the last two flags in the competition while, traditionally, South Bunbury are the strongest of the two.

And the emergence of Lewis is expected to help the Tigers regain the title.

Lewis began his career with Claremont in 1979, but moved to East Perth in 1982 in the hope of gaining further senior experience.

He played just 25 senior games in 3½ seasons with the Tigers, but after playing only a handful with the Royals decided to play in the country.

It is not the first taste of country football for Lewis.

In 1981 he moved to Albany because of work commitments and was a strong player for Railways in that competition. He represented Southern Districts at the annual Wesfarmers Country Football Championships and won the fairest and best medal in the B-grade.

The 23-year-old is now living in Bunbury and looks set for a top year.

He was always a fine reserves player in the WAFL, but when promoted to league level, mainly because nerves and anxiety to do well, he did not have the same impact.

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HOW THEY PERFORMED

Statistical Roundup

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

KICKS

PLAYER	CLUB	TOTAL
Robert Wiley	Perth	97
Stephen Malaxos	Claremont	95
Phil Lamb	Subiaco	88
Don Langsford	Swan Districts	87
Peter Spencer	East Perth	85
Bryan Cousins	Perth	82
David Hart	S. Fremantle	81
Allen Daniels	Claremont	79
Barry Kimberley	Swan Districts	78
Peter Featherby	Subiaco	78
Rod Alderton	West Perth	78
Neil Taylor	Subiaco	76
Noel Carter	S. Fremantle	73
Don Holmes	Swan Districts	72
Michael Mitchell	Claremont	71
Greg Carpenter	East Perth	70
Ric Barrett	S. Fremantle	69
Brett Yorgey	Perth	67
Krith Narkle	Swan Districts	67
Brad Hardie	S. Fremantle	65

DISPOSALS

PLAYER	CLUB	TOTAL
Stephen Malaxos	Claremont	141
Peter Spencer	East Perth	127
Murray Wrensted	E. Fremantle	121
Robert Wiley	Perth	117
Rod Alderton	West Perth	117
Michael Mitchell	Claremont	116
David Hart	S. Fremantle	113
Don Langsford	Swan Districts	112
Phil Lamb	Subiaco	110
Neil Taylor	Subiaco	110
Bryan Cousins	Perth	108
Paul Vasoli	S. Fremantle	105
Peter Featherby	Subiaco	102
Greg Wilkinson	Subiaco	100
Greg Carpenter	East Perth	98
Noel Carter	S. Fremantle	98
Allen Daniels	Claremont	95
Don Holmes	Swan Districts	95
Brian Perrin	West Perth	95
Barry Kimberley	Swan Districts	94

MARKS

PLAYER	CLUB	TOTAL
Rod Alderton	West Perth	40
Robert Wiley	Perth	29
Peter Spencer	East Perth	28
Jon Dorotich	S. Fremantle	28
Phil Lamb	Subiaco	28
Brent Hutton	Swan Districts	27
Stephen Malaxos	Claremont	26
Rhett Baynes	Perth	26
Noel Carter	S. Fremantle	26
Craig Edwards	S. Fremantle	26
Grant Campbell	East Perth	25
Rod Barrett	S. Fremantle	25
David Hart	S. Fremantle	25
Clinton Brown	Subiaco	24
Greg Wilkinson	Subiaco	24
Paul Wilson	Subiaco	24
Jeff Cassidy	E. Fremantle	23
Glen Hoult	E. Fremantle	23
Steven Goulding	Claremont	22
Richard Dennis	East Perth	22

HANDBALLS

PLAYER	CLUB	TOTAL
Murray Wrensted	E. Fremantle	58
Stephen Malaxos	Claremont	46
Michael Mitchell	Claremont	45
Paul Vasoli	S. Fremantle	45
Shane Ellis	E. Fremantle	43
Peter Spencer	East Perth	42
Greg Wilkinson	Subiaco	41
Brian Perrin	West Perth	40
Rod Alderton	West Perth	39
Dean Warwick	West Perth	39
Richard Dennis	East Perth	36
Lindsay Kanther	Claremont	35
Dwayne Lamb	Subiaco	34
Neil Taylor	Subiaco	34
Roger Kerr	E. Fremantle	33
Murray Rance	Swan Districts	33
Paul Mifka	West Perth	33
Peter Wilson	E. Fremantle	32
David Hart	S. Fremantle	32
Paul Higgins	East Perth	31

HIT OUTS

PLAYER	CLUB	TOTAL	PLAYER	CLUB	TOTAL
Paul Harding	E. Fremantle	98	Tom Smith	East Perth	25
Rhett Baynes	Perth	90	Barrie Quick	Subiaco	25
Mick Johns	Swan Districts	73	Ron Alexander	E. Fremantle	24
David O'Connell	Claremont	63	Baden Harper	Claremont	22
Craig Nelson	West Perth	57	John Nolan	E. Fremantle	22
Ramsay Bogunovich	West Perth	51	Peter Ashworth	Subiaco	20
Craig Edwards	S. Fremantle	49	Malcolm Bennett	West Perth	19
Frank Wilson	East Perth	46	Peter Sartori	Swan Districts	16
Wayne Simms	Perth	43	Jon Dorotich	S. Fremantle	16
Phil Scott	Subiaco	34	Glen Bartlett	East Perth	15

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:

DAVID HART (S.F.)



PLAYER	CLUB	KICKS	MARKS	H/BALLS	PTS
Rod Alderton	West Perth	78	40	39	276
Stephen Malaxos	Claremont	95	26	46	265
Peter Spencer	East Perth	85	28	42	253
Robert Wiley	Perth	97	29	20	224
David Hart	S. Fremantle	81	25	32	220
Phil Lamb	Subiaco	88	28	22	216
Murray Wrensted	E. Fremantle	63	12	58	215
Greg Wilkinson	Subiaco	59	24	41	213
Michael Mitchell	Claremont	71	15	45	206
Paul Vasoli	S. Fremantle	60	18	45	204
Noel Carter	S. Fremantle	73	26	25	201
Peter Featherby	Subiaco	78	21	24	189
Richard Dennis	East Perth	48	22	36	186
Neil Taylor	Subiaco	76	14	34	186
Don Langsford	Swan Dist.	87	15	25	182
Don Holmes	Swan Dist.	72	21	23	181
Paul Mifka	West Perth	52	21	33	181
Rod Barrett	S. Fremantle	69	25	18	180
Greg Walsh	East Perth	56	20	30	176
Barry Kimberley	Swan Dist.	78	22	16	176



PLAYER	CLUB	KICKS	MARKS	H/BALLS	PTS
Tony Shaw	Col'wood	64	20	53	230
Greg Williams	Geelong	63	16	53	217
Wayne Johnston	Carlton	93	22	26	211
Rick Barham	Col'wood	67	28	28	207
Peter Moore	Melbourne	62	27	30	203
Mark Lee	Richmond	44	24	43	202
Greg Phillips	Col'wood	46	25	38	197
John Mossop	Geelong	35	25	43	196
Stephen Taubert	Swans	41	30	32	195
Paul Salmon	Essendon	57	42	5	193



PLAYER	CLUB	KICKS	MARKS	H/BALLS	PTS
Neil Craig	Sturt	66	34	49	266
Stephen Kernahan	Glenelg	65	43	23	240
Michael Aish	Norwood	68	27	41	231
Ian Borchard	W. Adelaide	48	25	54	231
Craig Bradley	P. Adelaide	74	20	48	230
Alan Stringer	Glenelg	32	18	68	222
Daryl Schimmelbusch	W. Torrens	68	16	52	220
Michael Redden	N. Adelaide	33	36	39	219
Grant Fielke	W. Adelaide	80	27	28	217
Paul Martin	S. Adelaide	72	22	38	214

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April 21/23	West Australian	Weekend News	Sunday Times	6KY	Channel 7	6PR	6IX	6WF	ABC/TV	Umpires:
Subiaco v Claremont	Geoff Christian: Mitchell (C) Malaxos (C) Barns (C)	Michael Thomson: Mitchell Panizza (C) Barns	Gary Stocks: Mitchell Malaxos Panizza	Les Mumme: Mitchell Malaxos Panizza	John Rogers: Mitchell Panizza Dickfos (C)	Bob Hicks: Morton (C) Mitchell Panizza	Phil Mulcahy: Mitchell Malaxos Panizza	Mick Malone: Mitchell Malaxos Panizza	Grant Dorrington: Malaxos Mitchell Barns	Morris/ Mannix
E. Frem. v W. Perth	David Marsh: Wrensted (EF) Mugavin (WP) Harding (EF)	Robbie Burns: Wrensted Mugavin Valli (EF)	Rod Lane: Wrensted Perrin (WP) Valli	Joe Fanchi: Mugavin Green (EF) Wrensted	Marty McDonnell: Wrensted Valli Harding	Oscar Howard: Wrensted Mugavin Harding	Frank Sparrow: Wrensted Harding Valli	Eric Sarich: Harding Wrensted Green	Keith Slater: Wrensted Harding; Wilson;	Lendich/ O'Reilly
E. Perth v S. Frem.	Rob Wainwright: Barrett (SF) Hart (SF) Vigona (SF)	Michael Thomson: Barrett Hart Vasoli (SF)	Ray Wilson: Hart Barrett Dorotich (SF)	John Duckworth: Hart Barrett Dorotich	NOT AVAILABLE	Peter van Helden: Barrett Hart Gillies (SF)	Chris Mitsopoulos: Dorotich Grijusich (SF) Hart	Eric Sarich: Hart Barrett Dorotich	Keith Slater: Barrett Hart; Grijusich;	Hearne/ Johnson
Swans v Perth	Geoff Christian: Holmes (SD) Hetherington (SD) Ware (SD)	Robbie Burns: Holmes Hetherington S. Richardson (SD)	Gary Stocks: Holmes Hetherington Ware	Les Mumme: Holmes Ware Hetherington	NOT AVAILABLE	Bob Hicks: Holmes Hetherington Richardson	David Rowe: Holmes K. Narkle (SD) Langsford (SD)	David Dyson: Holmes K. Narkle Wiley (P)	David Dyson: Holmes K. Narkle Wiley	Ball/ Austin

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THE LEADERS

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

Setting it up by example

IN the past four seasons, Swan Districts have had a wide range of personalities in their captains.

From the aggressive approach of Stan Nowotny and Graham Melrose, they have reverted to the shy, retiring qualities of Keith Narkle.

Narkle took over as the club's on-field leader last year when Melrose was forced into premature retirement with a knee injury.

Narkle could not have had a better start to his captaincy when he led the club to their second successive premierships.

YOUNG BROTHER

He completed a rare feat by having his younger brother Phil as vice captain.

It had always been Phil's ambition to play league football with Keith, who is eight years older.

With Phil now playing with St Kilda in the VFL, it is up to Narkle senior to continue the family tradition.

The quiet and reserved Swan Districts skipper might not use aggression to get the best out of the players, but his own special formula seems to be working.

And there is no reason why it should not.

He is a legend at the Bassendean-based club and his record is enough to command the respect of the younger players in the team.

LEAGUE DEBUT

Narkle made his league debut with Swans in 1971, when Phil was just a 10-year-old, after making the move from Bunbury.

He began his career as a wingman and it was in that position that he twice earned State selection.

Later Phil also won State selection as a winger.

In recent times, Keith has developed into

a classy half-forward flanker and he leads his team by example rather than by voice.

He was a popular choice as captain when Melrose stood down from the position.

An indication of Narkle's character is that he is always keen to offer advice to the younger players and help them along the way to a successful league career.

He can often be seen at training sessions warming up with kick-to-kick exercises with colts players.

It is that type of off-ground approach which helps him to be successful.

"I can remember what it was like when I came up from Bunbury to play league football," Narkle recalls. "It's not easy walking into a club in Perth."

"When I played league for the first time all my mates were in the colts, that's why I try to make them feel at home."

"Being the captain of Swans is an honour, but it is made easier when you are playing at a top club with a good group of players."

TOP SIDE

He acts as a club captain, rather than a league leader, and that will always ensure Swans are a top side as long as he remains in the role.

Narkle has now played 230 league games and that makes him the most senior player at Bassendean.

Throughout his career he has earned the respect of his team-mates and opponents alike — and he is obviously keen to lead Swans to another premiership this season.

After experiencing the feeling of holding the premiership cup aloft at the end of last year's grand final, the memory will linger forever in his mind. He would like to have a second pennant to remember when he retires.



Swan Districts captain Keith Narkle has been a fine player throughout his career and the club needed no coaxing to prepare a giant banner when the star utility player celebrated his 200th game a couple of seasons ago. This week Narkle will play his 235th match, making him the equal fourth highest games player for Swans.



The right mixture

THE rise of Don Langsford as one of the most consistent performers in league football last year took another step forward with his appointment as vice captain of Swan Districts in 1984.

He rose from obscurity last season when promoted from the half-back line to a ruck-roving role.

Langsford had always been extremely effective in defence, and with several senior players moving on or terminating their careers, he was given the added responsibility of the ruck-roving position.

He relished the opportunity to become one of the leading lights in the Swan Districts premiership quest and became one of the best ball-winners in the competition.

The unassuming chemist quietly went about his job of creating opportunities from mid-field and it was mainly due to his dominance that Swans earned the right to challenge for the 1983 pennant.

The 24-year-old earned State selection last year and he has now played 120 senior games.

He will enjoy his new challenge of vice-captaincy and he will be hoping he can enjoy the same success on the ground as he did last year.

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SUNDAY SCENE

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

KELMSCOTT NEED TO LIFT

LAST year's South Suburban grand finalists Kelmscott will have to show marked improvement if they are to return to the winners' list when they play the fast running Mandurah at John Dunne Oval this Sunday.

Kelmscott coach Stephen Fowles hasn't been a happy man since his side went down to Kalamunda two weeks ago.

Sole-searching meetings and hard training sessions have confronted the Kelmscott players since that loss and Sunday's clash will be a real test of character.

Kelmscott will welcome the return of ace goal kicker Ray Witt, along with star centre-half-back Mal Hancock and Rod Cover. Witt has recovered from a back injury, Hancock has completed a term of suspension and Cover has finally been cleared from Forrestfield Amateurs.

The return of Witt, who has been a prolific goal scorer in Sunday football for many years, plus the home ground advantage should be enough to tip the scales in favour of Kelmscott.

Ross Bradley and his youthful Mandurah side showed in their pre-season matches and their first-up win over Kwinana, they have the man-power required to beat Kelmscott.

TORRID

ANOTHER first round loser facing a torrid time this Sunday is Armadale, tipped as big improvers, but losers to Gosnells two weeks ago.

South Perth's surprising big win in round one puts Armadale coach Des Hindson and his boys under pressure when they take on the Tigers at Gwynne Park.

Phil Haughan has a reputation of bringing the best out in players and with Gary Diver, Dick Peel, Wally McGuire and Claydon Whittle in form the Southerners look set to notch a second win.

REPUTATION

CANNING will be carrying the reputation of football on the South side of the river when they play Wanneroo at Wyong Reserve.

The Roos have firmed as outright favourites for the 1984 flag and Canning Tigers have the opportunity to slow that advancement, at least temporarily.

For the Tigers to topple the might of the Roos they will need big efforts from coach Wayne Delmenico, Ron Hunter and plenty of goals from Kym Zubranich.

An interesting feature of the day will be the form of the Hyde brothers Paul and Greg. Both played for Canning last year and Sunday is their first return to Wyong Reserve.

FIRST-UP

ROCKINGHAM make their first appearance in the Sunday Football League having had the bye in round one.

One of last season's glamour sides, Rockingham appear to have lost too many key players to be a real threat this year but



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on Sunday, they take on lowly Thornlie at the Rockingham Recreation Ground.

Coach Barry White will look to Mark Pribicevich, Gary Smalridge and Greg Booth to overcome the experience of the Thornlie side.

But Thornlie are sure to bounce back after their loss to Maddington in the opening round.

CONFIDENCE

WILLETTON travel to Medina Oval full of confidence after their first up win over Canning.

Coach Jeff Trott has a band of talented players at his disposal and should emerge victorious for their second win in as many games.

If Kwinana are to win this encounter they will need to combine better as a team and provide greater support for their hard working coach Tony Morley.

IMPROVED

KALAMUNDA should notch their second win of the season at the expense of Osborne Park at Balcatta Reserve, but not before a much improved showing from the Saints.

The home ground advantage will be sufficient to make the game close but Kalamunda will have too much all round talent and desire for the home side in the end result.

The Kenwick-Applecross clash at Mills Park is difficult to predict an outcome.

The Applecross Hawks have the potential to press any side in the competition but the fitness of the Kenwick side will be too much for the visitors in the end.

One player capable of winning the game from his own boot is Hawks' Ian Crawford.

Crawford kicked eight goals before leaving the ground at half-time in a first round fixture and will be a headache to Kenwick defenders.

GOSNELLS will be far too strong for Maddington despite the Maroons first round win over Thornlie.

Gosnells are too professional for most sides and Maddington will feel their power on Sunday at their own ground, the Maddington Recreation Ground.

FOOTBALL ON 6NR

On radio 6NR's Saturday morning preview of Sunday Football this week you can join regular panelists Terry Kift and Bill Wake for all the latest happenings in the league.

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AMATEUR NEWS



A GRADE PREVIEW:

NOLLAMARA MUST IMPROVE

Nollamara, after suffering a shock defeat by Scarborough, will have to improve dramatically to be a threat to the hard running University on Saturday.

University will no doubt keep a close check on triple A grade medallist Neale Fong and Captain/Coach Colin Northcott who appear their only threat.

CBC will look to nuggety ruckman Joe Florenca to inspire them against the Mt Lawley Hawks in their first away game for the season. The Hawks should not take the old boys lightly as they are enthusiastic to prove themselves A grade status.

On form Wembley, after a crushing first round victory, should have no trouble in accounting for the lack lustre Old Scotch. However the old Collegiates could improve dramatically with the traditional 'head of the river' now behind them.

to notch another four points at the expense of Trinity-Aquinas. Trinity-Aquinas do not like losing two games in a row and shall improve the score of their first round game and not indicate how well they played.

The game of the day: appears to be between new A grade side Scarborough and Old Wesley. Both sides rely on the fast run on game and this should be an exciting spectacle.



GEOFF TAYLOR: Scarborough's senior coach, a former WAFL State full-back who played 133 league games with West Perth before retiring prematurely in 1979.

His efforts of a rigorous pre-season build-up paid dividends in the way Scarborough downed Nollamara in their initial 'A' grade game.

All results of amateur football are published in Sunday papers.

CHAMPION CLUB AWARDS CHANGED

THE Champion Club award format has been changed so that ALL Amateur clubs can take part in one of three categories.

Previously only a club with two senior teams and one colts side could qualify to win the W.A. Newspaper Champion Club award.

This year the W.A. Newspapers trophy goes to the Champion Club with two senior teams. Two new awards are introduced namely the Champion Colts (U/20) team award and the Champion one team club award.

Points are awarded for wins and draws, but deducted for players found guilty by the tribunal of a reported offence and for non attendance of officials at meetings.

A regular update of points in the three Awards will be published in Westside Football.

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.

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

EXECUTIVE COMMENTS

With the first round of fixtures behind us, many can hopefully feel relieved that the first big hurdle has been jumped.

There is nothing more worrying for club secretaries, registrars and promoters than the first game.

The doubts — is everyone registered? have they all clearances? Is all the property ready?

The result of each Saturday's fixture is dependent on much more than the score at the final siren. Players and supporters should spare a thought for the "behind the scenes" workers in your Club.

It is never easy to teach a person the duties of these very important positions. So important are they that the whole Saturday afternoon's

work of 20 players can be for nothing.

To make these roles a little easier it is intended to produce a manual which will be the Why, Where, When and How of Amateur Football.

It will be presented in such a manner that it reprinted and will be an ideal reference for all new club officials.

The Management Committee, with five new faces from last year, are putting in a great deal of time and effort to improve the worth and image of Amateur Football. The response to their efforts will determine whether there is sufficient encouragement to maintain this momentum.

TREVOR HOWARD,
A/PRESIDENT

Premiership tables

B GRADE: Nth Fremantle 4, W.A.I.T. 4, M.H.W.P. 4, Bayswater 4, Carlisle 4, Whitford 0, Wembley No.2 0, Maylands 0, University No.2, West Coast 0.

'B' COLTS: West Coast 4, Whitfords 4, Uni No.2 4, Wembley No.2 4, W.A.I.T. 4, Maylands 0, M.H.W.P. 0, Nth Fre 0, Bayswater 0, Carlisle 0.

'C' GRADE: A.I.C.A. 4, Mt Lawley No. 2 4, Dianella 4, Innaloo 4, Hellenic 2, Hamersley 2, Forrestfield 0, Morley 0, Colleg/os 0, Osb Pk 0.

'C' COLTS: Dianella 4, Innaloo 4, Hellenic 4, A.I.C.A. 4, Mt Lawley No.2 4, Colleg/os 0, Osb Pk 0, Hamersley 0, Forrestfield 0, Morley 0.

'D' GRADE: Uni No.3 4, Wembley No.2 4, Old Wesley No.2 4, Swan Athletic 4, Nollamara No.2 4, Nth Beach 0, Lynwood 0, Nat Bank 0, Bassendean 0, Brentwood 0.

'D' COLTS: Redcliff 4, Riverton 4, Bassendean 4, Coolbinia 4, Old Wesley No.2 0, West Coast No.2 0, Bullcreek 0, Lynwood 0.

'E' GRADE: St Norberts 4, Bayswater No.2 4, W.A.C.A.E. 4, Koondoola 4, R & I Bank 4, C'weath Bank 0, Maylands No.2 0, Applecross 0, Swanbourne 0, Carlisle No.2 0.

'F' GRADE: Murrest 4, Coolbinia 4, Wst Coast No.2 4, Scarborough No.2 4, C.B.C. No.2 4, Trinity No.2 4, Coolbellup 0, Bullcreek 0, Nth Fre No.2 0, Graylands 0.

'G' GRADE: Cockburn Lakes 4, Uni No.4 4, Coll/Os No.3 4, Mt Lawley No.3 4, Dianella No.2 4, W.A.I.T. No.2 0, Nth Beach No.3 0, Whitford No.2 0, Edgewater 0, John 23rd 0.

'H' GRADE: City of Perth 4, Forrestfield No.2 4, A.I.C.A. No.2 4, W.A.C.A.E. No.2 4, M.H.W.P. No.2 4, Innaloo No.2 0, ANZ Bank 0, Wembley No.4 0, Nollamara No.3 0, Scarborough No.3 0.

'I' GRADE: Bassendean No.2 4, Old Wesley No.3 4, Lynwood No.2 4, Girrawheen 4, R.A.A.F. 4, Coll/Os 0, Murdock 0, Mt Lawley No.4 0, Dianella No.3 0, West Coast No.3 0.



PERSONALITY OF THE WEEK



KEN MCCARTHY: Founder of the Morley A.F.C. (originally known as Bunnings F.C. in 1968).

From 1969 to 1983, he filled many roles including captain coach, team manager, treasurer, club delegate to W.A.A.F.L., secretary, vice-president and president — for 10 years.

He won the best clubman award in 1973, and was awarded Morley's first life membership in (1972).

His biggest disappointment is that Morley have not won a premiership, although they were grand finalists in 1976 and 1980.

He is currently associated with the Scarborough A.F.C. as vice president and W.A.A.F.L. delegate. He is impressed with his new club's loyalty and tradition and believes that should make them competitive 'A' graders.

Burley sports appreciates the services rendered to Amateur football and makes a presentation of a sports bag to the Personality of the week.

Even match for Mounties

M.H.W.P. (coached by Dave Whitehead) should be evenly matched by the Bayswater Mounties who could be off to one of their best starts since 1982.

Bayswater showed they cannot be taken lightly by their last-start win. Both West Coast and Maylands have a chance to open their account. Maylands, heavily depleted a fortnight ago, must win early games to give club supporters hope. West Coast disappointed last start.

W.A.I.T. should win over Uni No.2 although the Uni team played excellent football first up and will only have to reproduce that form to cause an upset.

North Fremantle should retain top placing by downing Wembley No.2. Whitfords should learn by their lack-lustre last quarter effort two weeks ago and push fellow 'C' grand finalists Carlisle. The "Carlisle Cougars" may win a tight one.

'C' GRADE

THE clash between up and coming clubs Dianella and North Bridge — AICA could be the highlight of the round with the winner taking top spot. Both are chasing a run of Premierships. Innaloo, off to a good start, must watch Hellenic, who forced a draw last game. Hamersley should equal their total number of wins in the 1983 season by notching two in a row. Morley should not be taken lightly, especially under old campaigner Phil Hayes.

'D' GRADE

Wembley No.2 and Brentwood (coached by Dave Whitehead) will provide a top game with Brentwood "Dogs" chasing their first win.

Lynwood-Ferndale and Bassendean are also looking for the season's first points. Bassendean only had three losses last year.

Traditional rivals Old Wesley No.2 and North Beach should slug it out with only points separating them.

'E' GRADE

Koondoola and St Norberts, no strangers to success, will test each other to the limit in a close game.

Swanbourne and Commonwealth Bank have not enjoyed many wins over recent years and few points are vital. R&I Bank coach Kevin Fox is now in his fourth season as leader (1979-80 — 82-84).

'F' GRADE

Bullcreek should bounce back against Coolbellup, although the "Cooby Cats" may cause an upset if they can improve on last year's efforts (five wins, 1 draw).

Graylands, a successful Sunday division team, should find Scarborough No.2 a handful, coached by Ron Marchant.

Murrest will take some tossing at home against North Fremantle, who had a lean 1983.

'G' GRADE

Cockburn Lakes are off to a good start. Edgewater (only four wins last season) must improve this year. John 23rd, were unlucky in 1983 missing the finals by one game and now have to win early games.

(Coach Karl Paganini has the ability to mould them into a top combination.

COLTS

'A' — Will the same teams — Mt Lawley, Wembley, Old Wesley, Nollamara and University — dominate the colts again?

Scarborough, coming into 'A' Colts with a big reputation, have a chance to redeem themselves against Old Wesley. Either North Beach or Trinity have a chance for first points.

'B' — North Fremantle, unlucky losers last start, should down Wembley No.2. Whitford may carry on their winning way and coach Warren Eddy has them pointed in the right direction.

The Uni No.2, W.A.I.T. clash could establish top spot. Maylands may struggle against West Coast coached by former top rating Claremont Juniors coach Brearley Hollingsworth.

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THIS WEEKEND'S NATIONAL FIXTURES

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

W.A.F.L. — Round 1
Swans 16.17, E. Perth 19.13 (Bun.).

SANFL — Round 1

West Adel. 13.15, Nth. Adel. 12.14.

SATURDAY, APRIL 7

W.A.F.L. — 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.

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

W.A.F.L. — 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.

SUNDAY, APRIL 15

SANFL — Round 3
Port Adelaide 23.17, Woodville 14.13.

SATURDAY, APRIL 21

W.A.F.L. — Round 4
E. Fremantle 21.21, W. Perth 16.16.
Subiaco 8.4, Claremont 16.17.

VFL — Round 4

Melbourne 14.7, Essendon 17.24 (P).
Collingwood 15.13, Swans 17.4.
Richmond 14.13, Carlton 23.13.

SANFL — Round 4

Norwood 21.14, N. Adelaide 17.15 (W).
Sturt 16.12, Port 19.18.
West Torrens 9.13, Glenelg 27.23.
W. Adelaide 12.11, S. Adelaide 20.16.
Woodville 18.19, Central Dist. 24.10.

MONDAY, APRIL 23

W.A.F.L. — Round 4
East Perth 9.9, Sth Frem 33.23.
Swan Dist. 23.27, Perth 11.13.

VFL — Round 4

Fitzroy 21.14, Footscray 9.16.
Hawthorn 23.21, St. Kilda 14.15.
Geelong 9.11, Nth Melb. 11.13.

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

W.A.F.L. — 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

W.A.F.L. — 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

W. Torrens v Sturt (W)
Central Dist. v Sth. Adelaide
Glenelg v West Adelaide
N. Adelaide v Woodville

SATURDAY, MAY 12

W.A.F.L. — 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

W.A.F.L. — 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

W.A.F.L. — 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

W.A.F.L. — 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

W.A.F.L. — Round 10
West Perth v East Perth
S. Fremantle v East Fremantle

SATURDAY, JUNE 9

W.A.F.L. v SANFL (W)
(No local W.A.F.L. and SANFL fixtures)

VFL — Round 11

Essendon v Swans
Richmond v Geelong
St. Kilda v Melbourne

MONDAY, JUNE 11

VFL — Round 11
Carlton v Hawthorn (P)
Fitzroy 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

W.A.F.L. — 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

W.A.F.L. — 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

W.A.F.L. — 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

W.A.F.L. — 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

W.A.F.L. — 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 Nth. Adelaide (W)
S. Adelaide v Nth. Adelaide
P. Adelaide v Glenelg
W. Torrens v Norwood

SUNDAY, JULY 15

VFL — Round 16
Swans v Footscray (SS)

SANFL — Round 16

Woodville v Sturt

TUESDAY, JULY 17

W.A.F.L. v VFL (S)

FRIDAY, JULY 20 (NIGHT)

Sturt v Cent. Dist. (W)

SATURDAY, JULY 21

W.A.F.L. — 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

W.A.F.L. — 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

W.A.F.L. — 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

W.A.F.L. — 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

W.A.F.L. — 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)

It's a tough job

FOR a coach to earn success at league football, he must be ruthless and even, at times, insulting to his players.

That is something of which I am convinced.

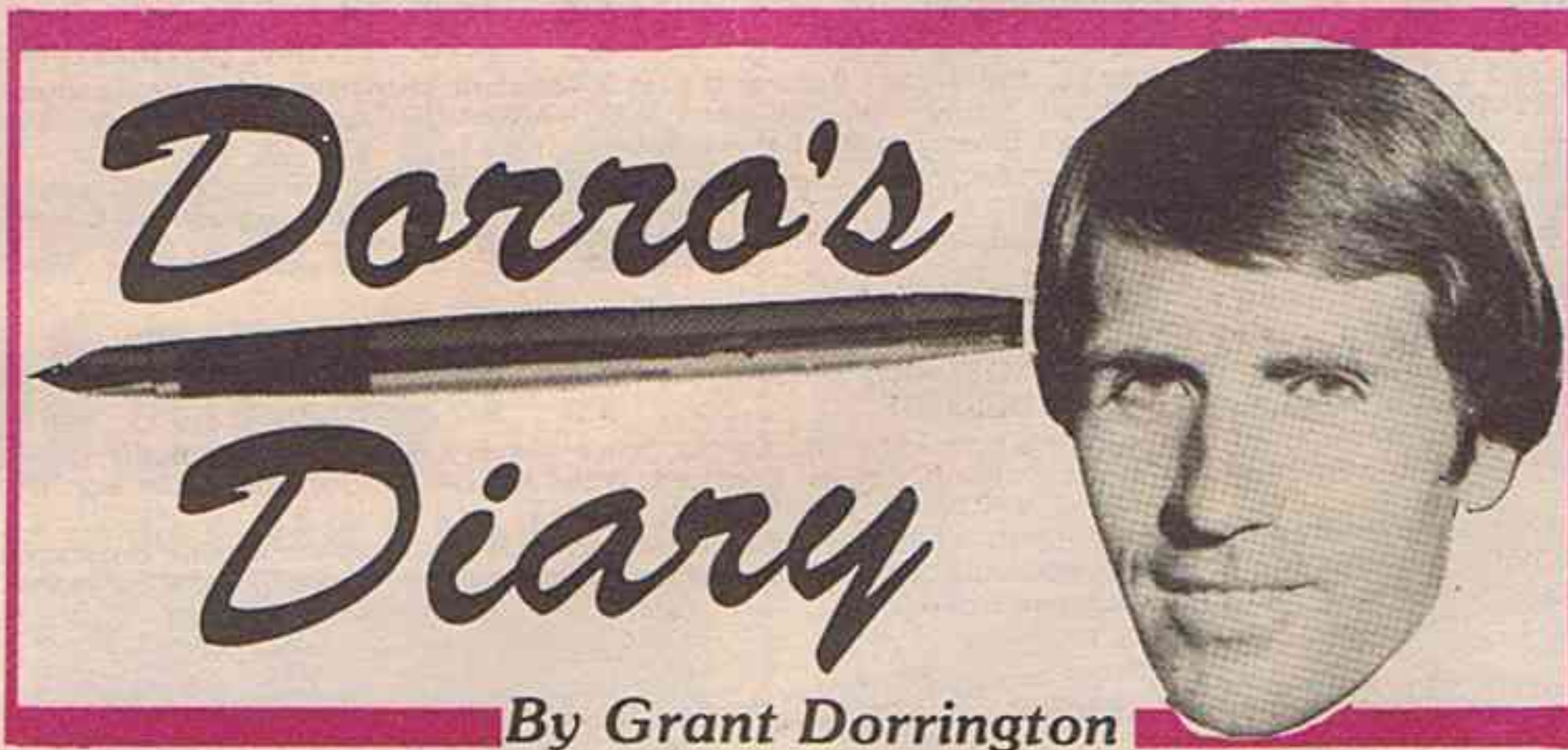
This type of approach also worked for renowned grid-iron coach Vince Lombardini.

His assistant coach once said: "To get the best out of his players, Lombardini believes in being hotly insulting most of the time."

"If a player doesn't take it and if he doesn't respond with ever increasing effort, then that player should be cleared to another club."

Lombardini had an imposing record with the Green Bay Packers.

His speeches and thoughts have been used world-wide, with most players in any sport having read his articles.



Mal Brown

As a coach I believe it is essential to continually search for new ideas and, perhaps even more importantly, to try to establish what coaching method and personality is the most successful in our modern day game.

Researching into Lombardini's life in sport it was surprising to find how hard he was on his players and yet they had enormous respect for him.

Some of his assistant coaches and players have summed him up with statements like this:

"Lombardini is fair, he treats every player the same — like a dog."

"This approach to coaching receives great criticism from the media and supporters who believe that it is not right for coaches to be too hard."

Unfortunately football at league level is played to win, like a war. To achieve maximum performance I believe there is no substitute for an extremely hard approach.

Players expect lucrative contracts and the rewards from the game. Coaches have to have that utmost urgency from their players so there is no time to be nice to anyone. Nice coaches are abused by players.

GREATEST

Looking at Australian football the coaching styles that have had the greatest success are those that are similar to Lombardini's.

John Kennedy made the players weed the oval on their hands and knees as part of their Sunday morning training after a loss.

The great Norm Smith instilled absolute fear into his players, the fear of not doing the right thing by the team.

CRITICS

John Todd, Mal Brown, Jack Sheedy, Ken Armstrong and Mal Atwell have all been renowned for what the critics say is a fierce coaching attitude towards their players.

I have also been criticised from many different areas of our game for being too hard. But as a rookie coach of two years experience at league level and a 10 year apprenticeship under some of the all-time greats of our game, I will have to wear that criticism, because I believe being ruthlessly hard (but fair) is the key to senior level team success.

I have also continually observed and researched into coaching methods and it is the best way to get results.

Unfortunately coaches of junior grades try to emulate these methods, not realising the only time this approach can be accepted is at the very senior level. It can never be tolerated with juniors — they are mentally too young.



He's the toughest

"Pound for pound he is the toughest footballer in Australia, with excellent skills both hand and foot and a fanatical team orientated desire to win at all cost" is a statement I have made for a few seasons.

Two weeks ago Brad Shine proved beyond all doubt that he wears that crown.

His performance against Claremont was awe-inspiring, giving out one of the best shirtfronts you would see and several other near misses, all in an effort to help his side win.

Shine's readiness to knock on, tackle fiercely, run hard and then use the ball expertly sets a great example to all players in his club.

Watching Brad play you would never have to ask his main philosophy — he oozes with that inner quality all coaches hope for, "A WINNER!"

Football supporters of opposing clubs would be advised to watch Shine closely and see for themselves what will end up making him one of the most sought after footballers in the WAFL.



Keene Keen

Recently I was travelling home after coaching the State junior football team at Subiaco Oval when I noticed the very tall frame of 'Lions' giant Laurie Keene running along the road.

Keene was sweating profusely as he made his way along Salvado Road, running by himself.

It has been stated that his coach Haydn Bunton had indicated Keene would not be used in the ruck until he learnt to run hard.

Keene, who has enormous natural ability, has the potential to be one of the 'superstars' of the WAFL, but from what I have observed he isn't prepared to work hard enough.

To see Keene "putting in" on a Sunday, which is a supposed rest day, only goes to show how dedicated and concerned he is to prove to himself and his club that he is endeavouring to overcome his weaknesses.

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