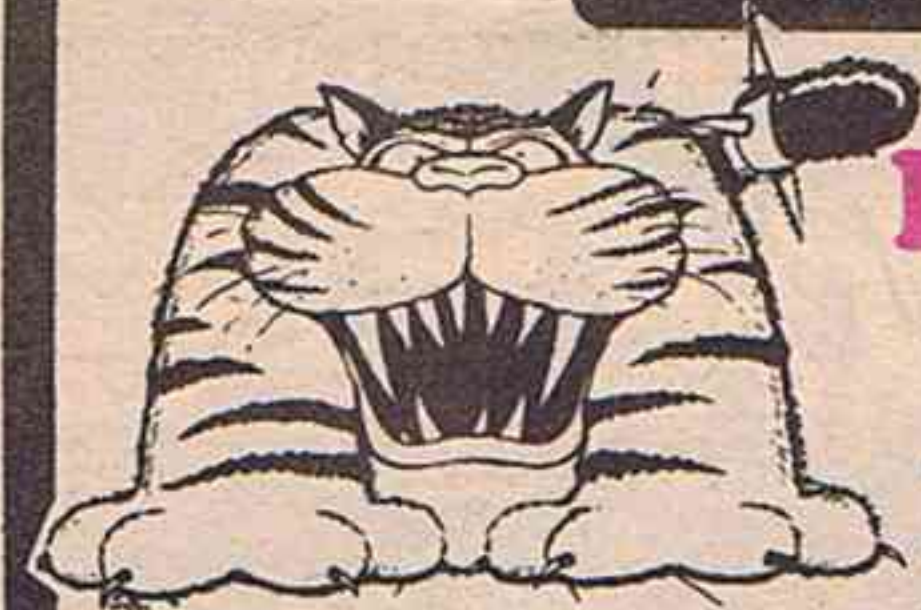


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Double trouble for Tigers

By Kim Hagdorn

SWAN DISTRICTS owe Keith Narkle and Gerard Neesham a mark of respect.

This Saturday the skilful pair will tackle Claremont's talented mid-fielders in a do-or-die preliminary final encounter.

Narkle and Neesham will be anxious to celebrate their 250th and 150th league games respectively in the best possible way — a memorable Swan Districts victory.

Swans had planned to celebrate their milestones on grand final day, but their shock loss to East Fremantle put paid to that.

Now the black and whites must do it the hard way. Swans — and in particular, Narkle and Neesham — face a barrage of pace from Claremont's mid-field runners.

RISE TO POWER

Narkle and Neesham have played a big part in Swans successful rise to power in WA football.

However, it has not always been so bright for Narkle.

Since his league debut in 1971 Narkle has seen Swans at both ends of the scale. Three times in his career Swans have finished at the bottom of the table and then last year he captained Swans to their second successive WAFL title under Todd.

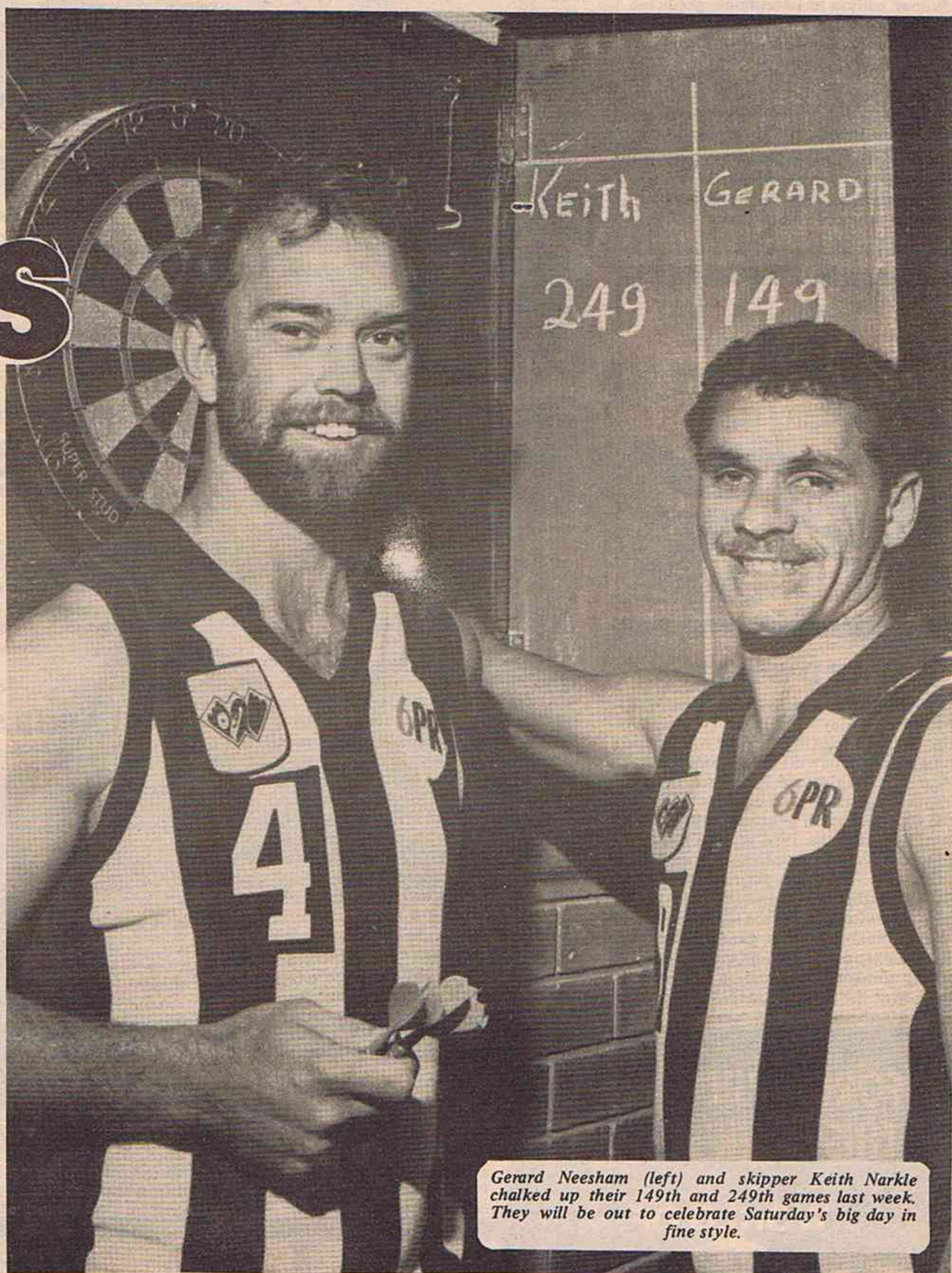
Neesham has been more travelled in compiling his 149-game tally.

He began his career with East Fremantle in 1975 and played 45 games with them before transferring to Swans in 1979.

Neesham played nine games in a disappointing attempt at VFL football with the Sydney Swans.

The intelligent and co-operative combination between Narkle and Neesham is a vital part of Swans' game plan as they approach the Tigers.

Their ability to lift team-mates after last week's depressing loss will have a bearing on Swans' prospects of success.



Gerard Neesham (left) and skipper Keith Narkle chalked up their 149th and 249th games last week. They will be out to celebrate Saturday's big day in fine style.

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WARD'S DAY

MURRAY Ward was a confident Shark before Saturday's big game. Ward spent the morning relaxing at home with a video movie completely divorced from football. A modest Ward said he avoids thinking about the game on such big days. However, the way the Sharks went about their task of qualifying for the 1984 grand final bears much of the Ward influence within East Fremantle. Ward has played a big part in their rise to power in the 1980's and their game plan for last week is testament to the Ward thinking on the game. Ward and Ron Alexander have combined to make a strong thinking combination that will be busy over the next two weeks.



FINAL BLOW

SWAN Districts defender Kim Hetherington has had a frustrating year with injury and last Saturday was the final chapter. After receiving a severe throat injury in a training accident that kept him out of football for many weeks he returned to the league side last Saturday. Hetherington had not played since July 21 and when carried from the ground with a suspected broken leg must have wondered whether he should have in fact been a party to the gamble in his come-back.



David Rankin is helped to his feet by trainers in last week's tough second semi-final.

RANKIN IS ALL COURAGE

COURAGE is something East Fremantle winger David Rankin has never lacked and last Saturday he rose to new heights. Rankin was a doubtful starter for the all-important second semi-final clash, having received a shoulder injury against Perth in the second last qualifying game of the season. The former Fitzroy player worked hard in an effort to regain fitness for the Sharks finals charge and took the field against the advice of training staff. He had his right shoulder heavily strapped, but that did not prevent further mishap. Rankin dislocated the same bone in his shoulder that was the problem against the Demons. The tough little centreline had the bone re-set at half time and continued to be one of his side's best players on the day.

FEARLESS FOGES

SWAN Districts utility player Jon Fogarty started last week's second semi on the interchange bench — a move that caught many people by surprise. However, Fogarty had been ill during the week and coach John Todd wanted to ease him into the game gently. Fogarty was swung into the ferocious fray in the first term and tackled the hard-hitting East Fremantle Sharks in a fearless manner. As Todd said on TV, Fogarty, the true competitor, put his personal condition aside and went on to be a real contributor for the black-and-whites.

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FLASHBACK

SOME historical moments in East Perth history will be recounted at the club on Tuesday, September 18 when Royals young and old 'roast' Gentleman Jack Sheedy. The one-time East Fremantle legend was the man who propelled East Perth into their modern successful era when he took over as playing coach in 1956. He coached the Royals for 10 years, from 1956 through to 1964 and then again in 1969. Sheedy took the Royals to seven grand finals, winning three flags. Tickets for the roast night, to be held at Perth Oval, are available from the club on 328 7900.

TOP COLTS SCORERS

SOUTH Fremantle's Allen Jakovich was the leading goal kicker in the colts competition with 57 goals. For the first time a record of leading goal kickers in this competition has been compiled by Dave Clement. The top ten were: Allen Jakovich (SF) 57, Ossie Dikolli (EP) 49, Warren Taylor (S) 41, Tony Reeves (EF) 36, Brad Metcalf (S) 35, Stephen Brown (SF) 31, Billy Krakouer (C) 27, Kim Pallier (P) 26, Tony Hunter (EF) 24, Stephen Rowe (SF) 23.

COUNTRY LURE

SOUTH Fremantle supporters who think that Nicky Winmar is a star of the future for them had better do some quick talking if they want to keep him in the Bulldogs camp. It seems as though someone in Bruce Rock is prepared to pay Winmar about \$250 a game to play for them next year — and that's a lot more than what he gets down Fremantle way.

PILGRIMAGE

WAFU officials John Walker (chief executive) and Peter Bowler (general manager) were guests of the North Pilbara League last weekend for the grand final at Karratha. They saw former South Fremantle player Peter Lauritsen guide his Dampier Sharks to victory over the Wickham Wolves in a tough premiership battle. Also in the victorious side were the McGuinness brothers, Lyndsay (West Perth) and Glen (Perth).

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THE MEDIA'S BEST

AT the end of the qualifying rounds the various written and electronic media announce the winners of their awards.

The Football Media Guild also has its own awards — their overall choice of Footballer of the Year and Footballer of the Future.

The citation for Footballer of the Year reads —

"The player, who by his performance, sets the best example, through his skills, temperament and attitude. The Guild recognises the importance of impressions made by players on and off the field and the need for a high degree of sportsmanship and professional behaviour".

With previous winners being South Fremantle's Noel Carter in 1980 and Stephen Michael (1981) and Claremont pair Graham Moss (1982) and Steve Malaxos (1983), the award certainly recognises outstanding performers.

Because of the relative evenness of the competition this year, many players have come into prominence, and therefore many media personnel have had a difficult time in voting.


This is how I saw the league's top players of 1984:

STEVE MALAXOS: *A solid year, being named State and All-Australian captain, Sandover Medallist and winner of several other awards. To top off an excellent year for him, I am sure the greatest satisfaction would be to play in a winning premiership side.*



LES FONG: *A great leader. In the game I have seen him play in the last two seasons, his leadership has been inspirational. While age may be dimming his natural speed, the example he sets in the enthusiastic young West Perth side is a treat to watch. Quite clearly, the younger players are following his great example.*

PAUL HARDING: *He has developed beautifully this year. His State performances were full of merit. But a foot injury late in the season denied many*



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supporters the enjoyment of his skills. East Fremantle supporters are not disappointed — he only has to play one more game this year and they hope he returns to his brilliant best on that day.

ROB WILEY: *He started the season slowly and had calf trouble early. It was only a few weeks before the South Australian State game did he start to regain his goal kicking prowess and therefore become a significant force in the Perth side.*

PETER SPENCER: *His nickname should be changed from "Spanner" to "tagged". His career has been one of brilliance and injury. Because of his injuries he has had to change his style which is a feat on its own. But all the more meritorious because all sides know if he can be contained then their chances of winning will be markedly improved. Well rewarded this year with another Sandover Medal.*

LAURIE KEENE: *His game has improved again this year and like all big fellows his skills are improving all the time. This summer is going to be critical to his overall development and one would imagine a programme of endurance building has been included. With the impending departure of John Ironmonger to the VFL, Keene should really dominate in 1985.*

FOOTBALLER OF THE FUTURE

THE criteria for the media's Footballer of the Future is:
"Needs not necessarily be a first year player, but one who will emerge as a star in the not too distant future."

Previous winners have been West Perth's Bill Duckworth (1980), Subiaco's Laurie Keene (1981), East Perth's Greg Carpenter (1982) and Murray Wrensted, from East Fremantle, last year.

Because of retirements and the player drain to the VFL, many young players have had more responsibility thrust upon them, while others have had the opportunity to play league football for the first time.

Many names come to mind from all the league clubs such as, David O'Connell (C), Paul Mifka (WP), Peter Davidson (C), Mike Brennan (EF), Derek Kickett (WP), Steve Sells (S), Brad Collard (SF) and Kevin Caton (SD).

The league umpires saw Mifka as an eye-catcher when allocating votes in this year's Sandover Medal, while O'Connell has shown maturity beyond his years in games I have seen him play this year.



Ron Alexander

OLD MAN'S OLD SKILLS

RON Alexander's performance last week was superb.

His tapping at centre-bounce downs was first class and he finished off his fine work to perfection.

With Paul Harding missing games at the end of the season through injury, Alexander was obviously called on to do more ruck work. This, in itself, was not a tragedy as his experience would have been needed in the finals anyway.

The couple of weeks he rucked before Saturday, certainly sharpened up his old skills.

It was felt in many quarters that Alexander, playing at full-forward this year, couldn't go the pace any longer.

Royals priority

IT IS going over old ground to mention the efforts of East Perth this season. But in football life, and everyday life, there is no tomorrow.

East Perth would have seen how deficient they were in the "runner department" and these types of players should be a priority during the summer months.

While doing this, the club should also not lose sight of the fact they may lose John Ironmonger, Grant Campbell and Gary Sheldon to Victoria and Greg Walsh has retired.

Ironmonger, to some degree, may be covered by Alex Ishchenko and Shane Cocker, but from my observations, there does not appear to be any other players in the club to step into these positions.

East Perth have been starkly honest in the past couple of years about their financial position and while they will be tempted to clear at least one of these players, they cannot afford to release them all, otherwise the good work of 1984 will mean nothing.

Experienced players are needed to maintain the development of the young players such as David Morgan, Tony Papotto, Glen Bartlett, Angelo Delborello, Mark Blakely, Greg Carpenter, Richard Dennis, Lance Kelly, Frank Wilson, Alex Ishchenko and Shane Cocker.



Darren Bennett

BENNETT BLOSSOMS

THE way East Fremantle built up for the second semi-final against Swan Districts was ideal, but many people felt that a lot more was going to be required on the actual day to beat Swans.

Well, East Fremantle showed an excellent all-round team performance to really blitz Swans and we saw the emergence of yet another exciting big man star in Darren Bennett.

Bennett has had real problems with his knee in the past, but if he can maintain an injury free run from now on, he will become very hot property on the Australian football scene.

Swans, on the other hand, really never recovered from the legitimate physical pressure applied by the Sharks, so much so that all the great skills shown by many of their players in past seasons were not permitted to emerge.

John Todd showed a lot of faith by selecting Ron Boucher in the side, contrary to my thoughts and many others, with a dismal result.

Todd now has a real brain-teaser in deciding what to do with him against Claremont.

David O'Connell, Barry Beecroft and Baden Harper may be too mobile for the big fellow in his current physical condition.

The failure of this "gamble", plus the injuries received and the effects of several hard knocks to some of the Swans players, will really give Todd a head-scratching week.

One feature of Swans over the past years has been the character shown by their players but I am sure they can regroup and we will have a fantastic preliminary final.

Claremont would be fairly happy to see that Boucher has lost some of his spring at centre bounces. This was a real problem for them against East Perth.

They would also be pleased to know that they have the ability to run on at the end of the game, with some sore Swans players. This can do nothing but improve their confidence.

Tactics are now going to be a significant part of the next two games, and I look forward to them with great interest.

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Challenge for speedy Swans

OPPORTUNITY in sport brings out the best in players on most occasions.

Before last week's second semi-final, Swans speedsters Alby Smith and Shane Renfree were a disappointed pair who thought they may not experience finals football this year.

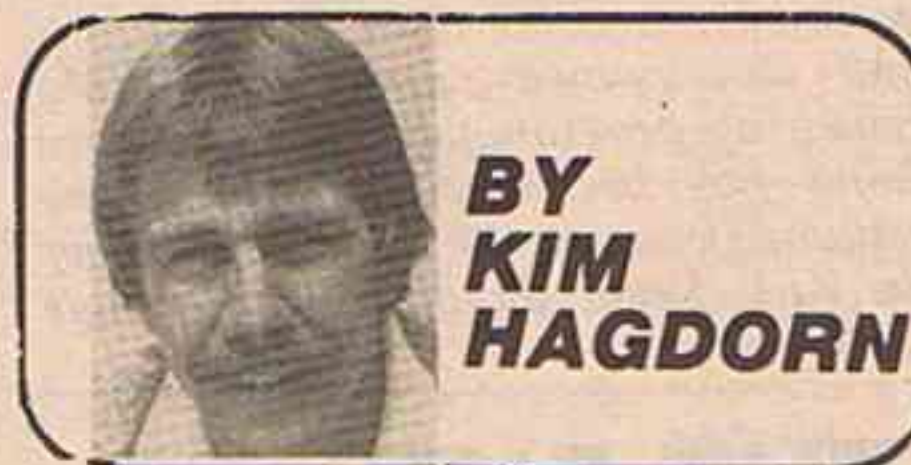
But Swans coach John Todd is a man who loves to give his players a challenge and he could do far worse than to give Smith and Renfree an opportunity to match their blistering speed with Claremont midfielders, Darrell Panizza, Allen Daniels, Peter Davidson and Steve Malaxos.

Injuries to three key Swans players will provide an opportunity for some of the back-up squad Todd has kept involved in the finals programme.

Todd's strategy has always been for the total involvement of his league squad. He has gone out of his way to make all players feel part of the premiership drive.

DEFENCE

Swans will need to reshuffle their defence to compensate the loss of veteran Tom Mullooly, but former State defender



Tony Solin has the cool head that should make him adequate replacement.

The loss of Peter Ware and Kim Hetherington should pave the way for Smith and Renfree, though not directly.

Both are talented, hard working centreliners or forwards.

Throughout his reign at the head of WA football, Todd has been marked by his development of team and individual versatility.

That method of coaching will allow Swans to make the necessary changes to this week's side and still be confident of beating Claremont and qualifying for the

right to collect three successive premierships.

Claremont have found the formula that has taken them to the last three grand finals after a slow start to 1984.

It revolves around the run and pace of their mid-field and their skilful goalkicking forwards.

The Tigers will welcome the return of former State full-back Baden Harper to their defence which was badly undermanned against East Perth.

Harper has been hampered all season with injury, but he must play to bolster Claremont's prospects of success.

THREE CLASHES

Todd and Moss have met head-on in finals on three occasions since they began regular appearances in finals football.

Swans have been victors in the last two grand finals.

The other clash was the 1981 second semi-final when Claremont won the right to go into the grand final where they duly ran out premiers.

Swans have the ability to overcome setbacks. They have proved this by remaining the trendsetters of football after losing many fine players after last year's premiership victory.

It is this know-how that will see the black-and-whites come up with a combination ready to match the Tiger challenge.

Todd has two other key players who make him favourite to regroup his defeated second semi-final side and qualify for the 1984 grand final — Peter Sartori and Murray Rance.

Both are brilliant players who were not at their best last week.

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Good news from Adelaide

I WAS very pleased when I got the news from Adelaide that my old mate from Central District, John Platten, won the Magarey Medal for being the best and fairest player in South Australia. He is one of the most sought after rovers in Australia and rightly so. Platten is a brilliant footballer with enormous courage. He reminds me a lot of Tony Buhagiar. Platten is about the same height as 'Budgie' (5'7" 170cm), but is a lot slimmer in build. Another hot piece of football property Craig Bradley finished second in the Magarey count. Bradley is a brilliant footballer with claim to being one of Australia's most promising young cricketers. He toured England in 1983 with Australia's under-19 team, missing much of the football season. It has not upset his football and now he is heading back to Britain in October as part of the All-Australian football team.

CUT-THROAT CLASH

THE qualifying final in Adelaide last week has caused plenty of controversy. After the game, three Centrals players were reported and Glenelg's Peter Carey will also face the tribunal. Rival coaches Graham Campbell of Glenelg, and Kevin (Cowboy) Neale, of Centrals, have been engaged in real slugging match through the media since the game and from all reports they have not pulled any punches. Neale has suggested that his players are looking forward to a re-match with Glenelg and that the clash will be a 'no-holds-barred' affair.

HARD TO PICK

LOOKING at this week's clash it is difficult to confidently pick a winner. East Fremantle exposed flaws in Swans mid-field last week with the way they ran. Claremont's game revolves around running and mid-field dominance. If Claremont are allowed to develop that game against Swans this week the black-and-whites could be in big trouble again, especially in view of the possible return of Bruce Monteath. His experience and ability up forward will be invaluable to Claremont. The Tigers have also got Baden Harper returning who will add some needed experience and spoiling ability to their defence. Against East Perth in the first semi, big Alex Ishchenko took many marks up forward and the Claremont defenders were missing Harper's spoiling talents. On the other hand, Swans have injury problems. It all points to another great final clash following the two good games we have already seen.

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Todd faces his Swan-song

HAS the bubble burst for John Todd?

Two successive premierships with Swan Districts and consecutive Australian football titles with WA has enabled Todd to straddle the football scene in this State like a Colossus.

And Todd thrives on it. He doesn't like losing, as the football public has found since Swans went down in last Saturday's second semi-final.

Some would say he has over-reacted by placing a gag on his players following that defeat.

But Todd is too astute for that.

He has the job ahead of him to set Swans to a hat-trick of premierships.

Unless there is a dramatic improvement in the team's performance they won't even make the grand final.



East Fremantle exposed a deficiency in Swans last week that hasn't been there in the last two final rounds... lack of pace and lack of organisation at centre bouncdowns.

There is no Phil Narkle or Leon Baker in the side to set the ball rolling from the centre. In fact, Swans looked very ordinary in the areas that win final-round games — running on the ball and across the centre.

It would be very easy to write off Swans after last week's anaemic display. But to do that would be to write off John Todd. And that would be a mistake.

Todd has the ability to turn honest performers into world beaters. He showed that in SA earlier this year. And he has such players at Bassendean.

He claims that his team may have run into an ambush last week by players believing (from media reports) that they merely had to run on to Subiaco Oval to win their way into the grand final.

MEDIA AT BAY

By keeping the media at bay, Todd will be able to set players thinking only about winning Saturday's match against Claremont.

I don't think there will be any doubt he will produce a very determined band of players, prepared to do everything he asks of them, this Saturday.

But will it be enough? I can't help but wonder whether Swans have peaked and are on the way down.

If that is the case then lack of ability will deprive them of another premiership.

OLD LEGS

There are some old legs in the team where it matters, in the running department.

Claremont and East Fremantle have plenty of pacy players in their teams.

Swans can still overcome these two sides if they monopolise possession of the ball. Their players are normally very kick-efficient.

Their other strength has been the way they are able to organise the centre bouncdowns and take the ball forward — even when they are losing in the ruck.

When you analyse the fors and againsts, taking injuries into account, Swans have an uphill battle to emulate their three successive premierships.



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FRIENDLY UMPES

IT seems as though the umpires were in a friendly mood in the second semi. While there was plenty of good, heavy physical stuff early in the match — with East Fremantle doing it fair and hard and Swans trying to reply — there were a few questionable incidents. Such as when big Ron Boucher grabbed little Gavin Wake by the scruff of the neck and threw a fist at his bobbing head, only to miss. Surely that was attempted striking? The umpire was right there trying to break it up, but maybe he had ducked out of the way as well! Then Mick Johns tossed the ball into the crowd up near the forward pocket when a decision went against him. Didn't West Perth's Derek Kickett get reported for doing that? And then a key East Fremantle defender landed a nice, sharp left hook into Peter Sartori's mid-riff in the last quarter, right in front of the umps, and got away unscathed. Maybe the men in white have been intimidated by clubs and coaches about making controversial reports.

TIPPING TIME

THERE were very few media critics who had the courage to tip East Fremantle last week — but fortunately this hooded tipster was one of the better judges. Other media men who were on the Sharks bandwagon were Alan East (in The Western Mail and Westside), Gary Stocks (West Australian) and the irrepressible Bob Cribb, on radio 6PR. Now, at various times of the football season all three of those gents have been linked with this column, either as possible contributors or, in fact, the face behind the hood. Now, let's get it straight — that trio were simply following my tipping guide last week and they have no connection, official or unofficial, with this critic!

SLANGING LOSERS

IT seems as though the verbal warfare battle on the football field doesn't pay off nowadays. As the teams lined up for the national anthem last week, there was plenty of verbal intimidation being thrown at the East Fremantle players from their Swan Districts opponents. The Sharks were not 'sucked in' when it came to replying; they let their football do the talking and ran out easy winners. In the previous week's first semi-final, so it seems, East Perth adopted similar verbal tactics — and also lost.

TODD'S TACTICS

SWAN Districts coach John Todd put his preliminary final propaganda campaign into action immediately after the final siren last Saturday — by blaming the media for setting Swans up for an ambush. It's one of his favourite tactics and he went on with the claims on Channel 7's World of Sport on Sunday. Toddy felt that Swans were set-up by the media, who ruled them as favourites for the second semi-final. "A lot of our players fell into the trap of believing the publicity about how they were expected to go straight into the grand final," said Todd. But he wants the media going both ways for him — a few weeks ago he was blasting the critics for not paying due respect to his players; not giving them the acknowledgement they deserved and not voting for them in awards and so forth. Can't win, fellas.

KEEN FAN

AN interested guest of the WAFL last Saturday was singer Colleen Hewett, who is engaged to Collingwood star and former Swan Districts player Mike Richardson. As an avid black and whites fan she will be sorry that Swans went down to East Fremantle, but Richardson's performance in Melbourne on Sunday and Collingwood's convincing win over Fitzroy in the VFL elimination final will have brought plenty of consolation for Richardson's fiancée. Swans utility player Steve Richardson is the twin brother of Mike.

TALENT SEARCH

RON JOSEPH, the North Melbourne talent scout to top all talent scouts, was in town last weekend with coach Barry Cable. Joseph, the man behind Ron Barassi's recruiting drive that made North the most powerful club in Australia, must have his eye on a number of the young talent that has developed in WA this winter. East Perth's Grant Campbell is one player who has been in such brilliant form that may attract renewed interest from North. Campbell was signed by North some years ago, but the VFL club seemed to lose interest after a run of poor form. Campbell has regained his best form and, in fact, looked more likely to handle the rigours of VFL football this year than at any other stage of his career with the Royals.

NOT NEEDED

EAST Fremantle's game plan for last week's second semi-final triumph either went so much to plan — or they were unsure of Paul Harding's match fitness. Harding spent the game camped in a back-pocket and apart from a short spell on the ball, he was not required for more than a pinch of ruck work. When the All-Australian star did get an opportunity to ruck at the 16½ minute mark of the third term, it looked very much as though Ron Alexander felt more sorry for him than in need of a break from dominating play. As the anxious Harding ran in to contest his first ruck opportunity for the day, umpire Ron Buckley backed into his path and prevented him from tackling big Ron Boucher at the bounce down.



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Daniels ready for more finals action

ALLEN DANIELS has demonstrated his match winning potential on many occasions throughout 1984 — especially in big games.

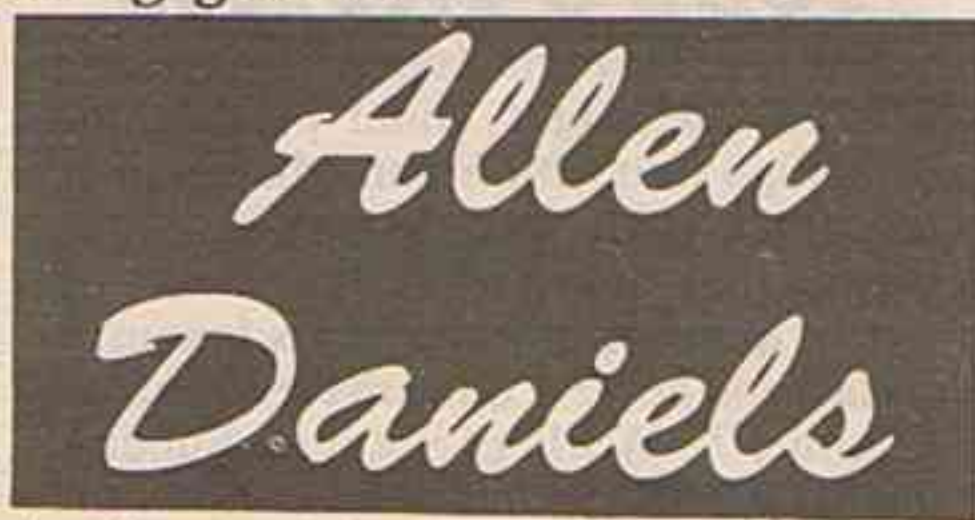
The brilliant follower topped his sensational year with his selection in the All-Australian team and now hopes to complete his 'dream' year with another Claremont premiership.

Daniels attributes his consistent form to an extensive boxing programme he has undertaken with Tommy Greenwood.

The extremely fit Daniels believes that the regular and exhausting sessions of boxing have taught him how to be disciplined in his approach to football.

With the scintillating form Daniels has produced at times, he has become a centre of attention from opposing clubs in an effort to curb his skills.

Daniels believes that he is a more disciplined player this season with his



tough mental approach to achieving success for the sake of the team.

Daniels has suffered from criticism in the past for not being a team player, but his new-found devotion to his team mates makes him a vital cog in the Tigers aspirations for success this year.

He demonstrated this in the first semi-final when he kicked seven of his side's 23

goals on the day.

Daniels is sure to be tagged this week. However, he has the answer to what ever challenge is put his way.

As one of the fittest men in the game, Daniels employs his willingness for hard work to out run any opponent.

His self discipline to carry out his immediate task for the sake of the side, should help the Claremont star overcome any attention he might receive.

It is a credit to Daniels that he has fought back against any obstacle football has presented.

Saturday could see another chapter in Daniels' illustrious career unfold as he runs all over Subiaco Oval playing a big part in a Claremont victory.

PERSONAL DETAILS

Name: Allen Daniels
Date of Birth: 21/4/59
Place of Birth: Collie
Height: 179cm (5'10½")
Weight: 80kg (12.9)
Previous Club: North Albany
Occupation: Teacher
Major awards: Westside Footballer of 1982, 6IX player of 1982.
Marital Status: Single
Hobbies: Anything sporting
Other sporting interests: Indoor cricket, Body surfing, Squash and cricket.
Favourite actor: John Belushi
Favourite move: Animal House Lampoon
Favourite food: Marron
Favourite drink: Water
Nickname: Shorty

Why: When I was younger my father always called me Shorty because I was exactly that.
Favourite Book: Lord of the Rings
Car: A 1982 Ford ute
Career Highlight: Winning the 1981 grand final State and All-Australian selection this year.
Worst moment in football: Losing the 1982 and '83 grand finals.
Hard things in football: There is very little that is easy in football.
How do you mentally prepare for a game: I try to think about good games that I have played as a build up to a game.
Football Idols: Mal Brown, Graham Moss and Graham Farmer.
Ambitions: To play in as many premiership sides as I can with Claremont.
Advice to youngsters: Just work hard.
First league position: Wing
Current Position: Follower

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Colin Waterson (EF) 49
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 Ken Marshall (SD) 97*

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 Bill Skwirowski (SD) 146

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By Allan (Chubby) Stiles 6PR panelist and Perth reserves coach.

Chubby's Chatter

Footy thrives in the Pilbara

AFTER my fabulous experience in the West Pilbara recently, I can honestly say that football in the far reaches of this State is in a very healthy situation. I was guest of the North Pilbara Football League for a grand final preview and medal count, which went live throughout the Pilbara region on local radio. Royce Rogers, of the Karratha Hotel made me very welcome and his hospitality was overwhelming. The entire evening was sponsored and took on a very professional atmosphere. The umpires are sponsored in a similar way to WAFL umpires and they received their awards for the season at the night. Panellists with me were Peter McKachen and Pat Love, who both did an excellent job. The association's fairest and best medal went to the coach of the Port Hedland club, Ric Hockey.

PERTH MAN

Hockey, won the medal from former Perth player Glen McGuinness, from Dampier, with Greg Beauglehole, of Karratha, third and then Darryl Sheenan, from the Wickham club. The vote count was extremely well organised and some local city organisers could take a leaf from their book when it comes to making players feel important on the big night of the year. Hockey had only polled one vote after the first set of cards had been counted, but he had a brilliant finish to the season and was a worthy winner of the young league's award.

The North Pilbara League is the result of an amalgamation in 1977 of the De Grey and West Pilbara leagues.

SECOND FLAG

Dampier clinched their second consecutive premiership last Sunday when they beat Wickham 21.18 (144) to 9.8 (62). It is the first time a side has won back-to-back flags in the league and Dampier topped off their day by winning the reserves flag also.

The highlight of a very humorous evening in the latter stages was the presentation to a reserves player who must surely be the first Mexican to ever head a goal kicking list. Tich Tsoundra won an award for leading the reserves goal kicking contest.



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FOOTBALL FACTS

With DAVE CLEMENT WA's top football historian.

Many have been in Ian's boots

IAN Miller is in good company as a coach whose team finished last in our league competition.

He can take some consolation in that some of WA's most successful coaches have coached bottom sides.

John Todd has been on the bottom as well as top. South Fremantle were last in 1966 as were Swans in 1977 and 1978.

Malcolm Brown's charges in 1975, Claremont, were the wooden spooners.

Jack Sheedy enjoyed a lot of success as a coach but in 1964 East Perth finished last, it was the last time the Royals were on the bottom.

Malcolm Atwell, who started his coaching career at Perth with a three-out-of-three result, found the move to South Fremantle the exact opposite, they finished on the bottom in 1972.

Another successful coach, Ken Armstrong, knows the feeling of despair when Subiaco finished last as did Subiaco under him.

Like they say, you can't win them all Ian.

MAGIC FIFTY

WITH goalscoring down during the 1984 season, so were the goalkickers with only six of them passing the 50-goal mark. This is a far cry from 1980 when eleven players scored 50 or more.

In 1977, there were ten past the half-century mark including a record four from the one club, Perth. They were Robert Wiley (72), Peter Bosustow (68), Murray Couper (54) and Chris Mitsopoulos (50).

TWENTY REASONS

HOW often does the first semi-winner make the grand final? Claremont supporters can take heart — it's happened 20 times in 53 years of the Page system.

Swan Districts and Claremont have met only five times before in finals and Swans have been the master with four wins.

1965 Second semi — SD 9.14 d C 6.12.
1981 Second semi — C 14.24 d SD 12.9.

1982 Second semi — SD 14.26 d C 12.10.

1982 Grand final — SD 18.19 d C 11.12.

1983 Grand final — SD 15.14 d C 12.11.

WHAT A SET-UP

I DON'T usually transgress from records to opinion in this column. There is an army of media men doing just that for 25 weeks of the year — but last week big Ron Boucher was nicely set-up. His opposition was supposed to 'back pedal' in fear at the sight of this awesome giant, but alas the Shark attack went on, big Roo or not. Some of our media men underestimate the courage and character of our footballers.

MISSING STARS

THE Sharks last grand final appearance was in 1979, and six players from that side are now in the VFL. What price East Fremantle if they had Ken Judge, Rod Lester-Smith, Brian Peake, Andrew Purser, Jim Sewell and Tony Buhagiar in their side next week.

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MOTHER BROWN

ATMOSPHERE WAS BETTER

THERE was a much better pre-game atmosphere before last week's second semi-final than for the first final between East Perth and Claremont. Part of the reason is the wonderful banners the cheer squads prepared for last week's game. They add a lot of colour and character to any game and the cheer squads for East Fremantle and Swans are to be congratulated for their part in making last week a better pre-match spectacle than the week before.

POOR SHOW

WHAT a shame there was only some 24,000 people at the semi final last week. A game of such magnitude should attract more people than that and no matter what the weather conditions are like, if you are a true football fan you would go and support the game. Anyway, those who did miss the match missed a really high-class finals clash. Let's hope this week's preliminary final lives up to what we have been lucky to witness so far.

BOARD WOES

WHEN it was raining heavily at the football last Saturday, it was very difficult to see the new electronic scoreboard. I wish they would use the old board as well as the new one. It would not be difficult for scores to be placed on the old board as there is someone up there putting race results up.

CROWDED SEATS

IT IS probably just as well we haven't had big crowds at the two finals — I'm not sure the WAFL could cope. It has been difficult enough getting to your reserved seat as it is. Last week I saw a number of instances where people obviously needed guidance to their reserved seating and the WAFL men (dressed in yellow) paid no attention to helping them. There are plenty of these fellows around; surely they could help patrons and provide better service than what is being offered now, particularly to elderly folk.

LOWER-GRADES

WATCHING the television coverage of last weekend's football I was disappointed at both Channel Two's and Seven's poor analysis of lower-grade finals. Channel 2 said that the South Fremantle colts and reserve sides were to play this week, when in fact they have won their way through to the grand finals. At least Two mentioned the lower grades. Channel 7, who are supposed to be promoting football, failed to mention the other two fixtures at all. It would have taken 30 seconds to say who was playing this Saturday. Incidentally, the reserves preliminary final will be between Subiaco and Claremont and in the colts, East Perth take on Subiaco.

POOR SHOW

THE car I travelled to the football in last week was subjected to some very rude treatment from one of the famed 'Grey Ghosts'. One of our group has been ill recently and we wanted to drop her at the front of the WAFL members' stand. There was no traffic at 9am, but the traffic inspector told us, in no uncertain manner, that under no circumstance was anyone to enter Subiaco Road. The road is shut off on big match days, but really, some leniency could be taken for the time of the day and circumstance.

INTERSTATE UPDATE

From our Eastern States correspondents

LETHAL LEIGH HITS HOME

HAWTHORN champion Lethal Leigh Matthews has spelt out a double-sided warning to rival clubs — he is the dangerman in this year's finals series and he will be back next year for more.

Matthews kicked a match-winning six goals to lead the Hawks to a tough victory over Carlton in a bruising qualifying final victory at VFL Park.

And after the match he confirmed that he would continue playing in 1985, even though the 32-year-old has played more than 300 senior games.

"The only way I wouldn't play in 1985 was if I had an absolutely complete disaster in the last six weeks of this season," Matthews told Sunday Observer sports editor Ken Piesse after last Saturday's game.

"If I was struggling to hold my place in the side I would reconsider the decision to play next season.

"Mid-season I was playing badly and when you do that you lose a bit of confidence and start thinking that you are too old.

"Playing in a good side makes it easier.



"The finals bring out the best in every player," the Hawks skipper added.

When Matthews notched his sixth goal of the game Essendon coach Kevin Sheedy must have fully realised that here was a man who stood between the Bombers and a flag.

Matthews took his place in the Hawthorn side despite being troubled by a thigh muscle injury.

Early in the week he had almost ruled himself out of the side, but in the final outcome the injury posed no problems.

PARKIN'S BLUES

CARLTON coach David Parkin, one of the deep-thinkers in football, admits that he is having trouble 'tapping the minds of his players.'

Parkin was asked whether he had been able to determine if the Carlton players still had a thirst for success after their 1981-82 flags and whether they had an inferiority complex towards Hawthorn.

"You can't tap that sort of thing," he said.

"Morale is good and the players' belief in themselves is still good.

"A coach is never able to get his players to bare their souls completely."

Ironically, said Parkin, a number of Hawthorn players still counselled him now; more than they did when he was coach at Hawthorn.



Warren Ralph

RALPH'S MESSAGE

CARLTON ace Warren Ralph showed his critics that he is a real champion with his eight-goal effort in the qualifying final against a dominant Hawthorn.

The former Claremont star has been forced to sit out quite a few games in the reserves side this year as coach David Parkin felt that he was not suited to the wet weather.

But with a fine day, a rejuvenated Ralph, posted 8.5 from 14 shots, some of the majors coming from long shots.

"I didn't know that I was in the team until a supporter rang me on the Friday morning," said Ralph.

"David Parkin had told me to run, chase and do all the hard things and I think I did them well," he added.

Parkin had some interesting words for Ralph after the game.

An emotional Parkin interrupted his interview with the media to throw out a warning to Ralph, who was talking to other journalists.

"Don't say anything more to them, Warren," said Parkin.

"The same blokes will cut you apart in three weeks time."

Platten sets a record

CENTRAL District and State rover John Platten, 21, won the 1984 Magarey Medal with a record 66 votes.

It was his club's third medal in their 25-year-history. Previous Centrals medal winners were Gary Window in 1965 and WA's John Duckworth in 1979.

Platten polled 18 first votes, four seconds and four thirds to win the Medal from Port Adelaide's young star Craig Bradley, who finished on 50 votes.

Norwood's Gary McIntosh finished third with 43 votes in a count where each of the central umpires cast a 3-2-1 card and a neutral judge also cast a card.

Centrals coach Kevin Neale described Platten as one of the best rovers in Australia.

The long haired dynamo has proved his class against Australia's best players with several scintillating performances in a number of interstate appearances.

Platten is being vigorously sought after by Victorian clubs Carlton and Hawthorn, but Centrals have an option on his contract for 1985.

Platten's attention will focus on Centrals first semi-final clash with Norwood this Saturday.

Centrals were shattered by their eight goal loss to Graham Campbell's Glenelg last week and face a difficult time rebounding after such a sub standard performance.

They will need a much improved effort if they hope to stay in the finals hunt.

Norwood beat South Adelaide in convincing style last week in the elimination final and will approach Centrals with confidence.

A key to the outcome appears to be: Norwood's forward line duo of Michael



John Platten

Aish and Neville Roberts. Between them they kicked 13 of Norwood's 21 goals against South last week.

GLENELG CONFIDENT

GLENELG must be extremely confident after their victory over Centrals in a torrid qualifying final last week which resulted in four players being reported.

Port will have freshened up with the week's rest while the other finalists slogged out the finals contests last week, which could be a deciding factor in the outcome of this clash.

A win to Glenelg will give them a third grand final appearance in the last four years and their first grand final under the former West Perth coach.

YOUR TV GUIDE

Sunday's Second Semi Final will be telecast live on Channel 7 commencing at 12.25p.m.



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6—Lester-Smith, Rod			6—Daniher, Neale	
7—Ayres, Gary			7—Dunell, Frank	
8—O'Halloran, David			8—Clarke, Neil	
9—Di Pierdomenico, Robert			9—Heard, Shane	
10—Polkinghorne, David			10—Foulds, Garry	
11—Buckenara, Gary			11—Parker, Geoff	
12—Paton, Ian			14—Elshaug, Tony	
13—Shields, Russell			15—Ezard, Alan	
14—Allender, Stephen			16—Hannebery, Mark	
15—Moore, Kelvin			19—Eustice, Mark	
16—Wallace, Terry			20—Buhagiar, Tony	
17—Tuck, Michael			22—Duckworth, Bill	
18—Bennett, Andrew			23—Kink, Rene	
20—McCarthy, Michael			24—Winton, Brian	
21—Byrne, Michael			25—Merrett, Roger	
22—Loveridge, Richard			26—Thompson, Mark	
23—Brereton, Dermot			27—Madden, Simon	
24—Knights, Peter			29—West, Tony	
25—Curran, Peter			30—Walsh, Kevin	
26—Eade, Rodney			32—Watson, Tim	
28—Langford, Chris			33—Hawker, Glen	
29—Greene, Russell			34—Thomson, Michael	
30—Schwab, Peter			35—Waterson, Chris	
31—Howard, Glen			36—Bradbury, Peter	
32—Robertson, Colin			38—Harvey, Mark	
33—Fowler, Grant			39—McTaggart, Brett	
44—Bennett, Jamie				

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WRENSTED WINNER

EAST Fremantle's second-quarter burst that produced seven goals in 17 minutes proved to be the match-winning period.

The Sharks were sparked by Murray Wrensted with his freak goal in the first couple of minutes. He had roved the front of the pack well and though his kick was a real grubber, it bounced truly for 25-metres or so to finally trickle through. Kevin Taylor read the front of a pack when Colin Waterson tapped it out to drill a long shot and then Roger Kerr put a great pass on Darren Bennett's chest for three goals in six minutes.

Graham Kickett's left foot snap also came with clever reading of a tap-out by Bennett; Glenn Hoults made it five with a free kick (set up with some quick recovery from Bennett) and then it was a great Taylor mark that produced No. 6.

Bennett, the rookie who "arrived" in this final, capped off the goal orgy with a great snap shot to bring up his third after recovering well from a marking tussle.



Murray Wrensted

LONE HAND

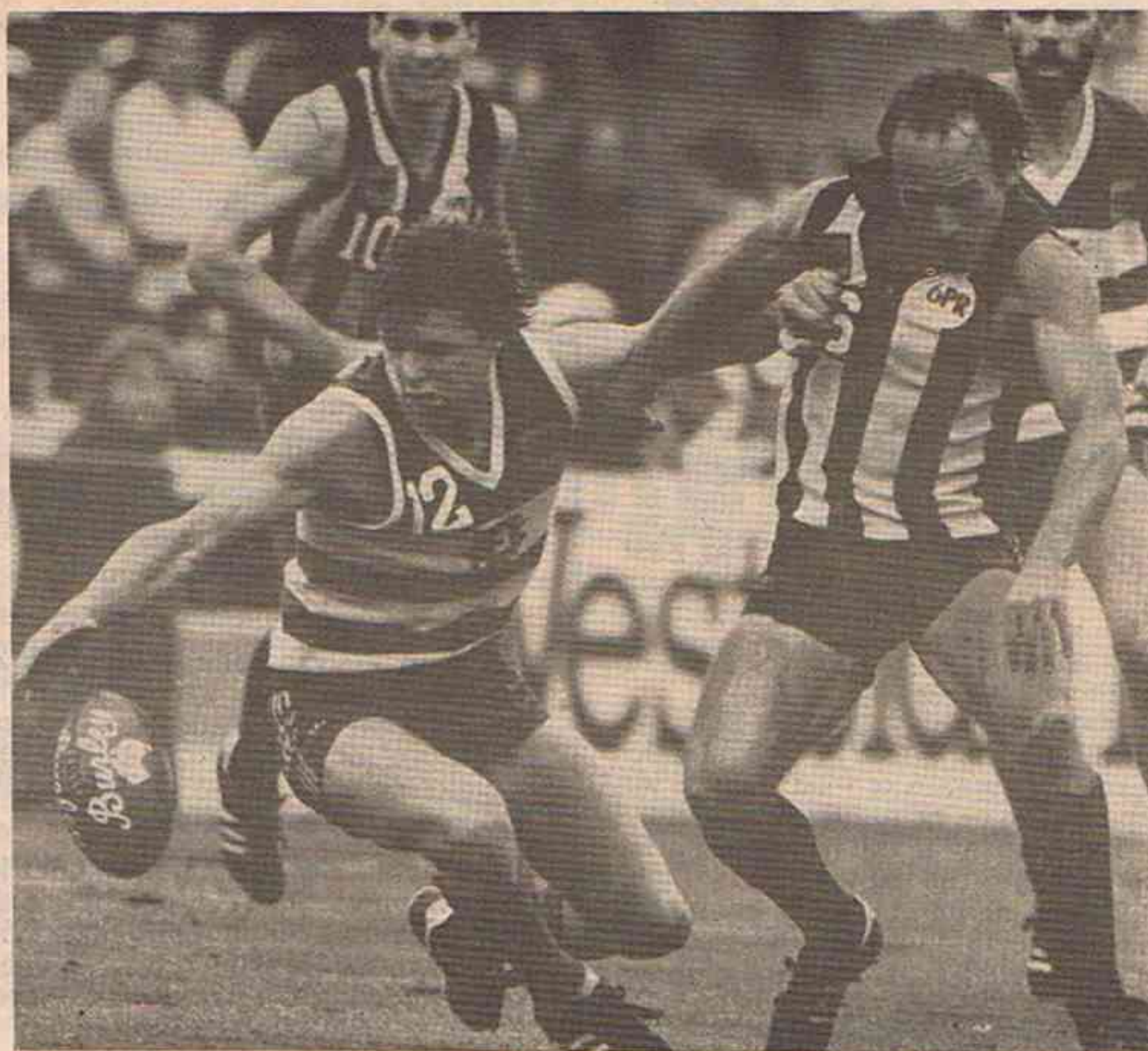
IT was almost the Darren Bennett show at Subiaco Oval on Saturday. Apart from Roger Kerr's long snap shot in the middle of the third term and then Colin Waterson's cool goal at the start of the final term, it was Bennett all the way. He had kicked East Fremantle's opening goal seven minutes into the first term and after his second quarter onslaught, he finished up by booting their last three to give him seven for the game — just one less than he had kicked all told in his five senior games this year.

SWANS STAR

IMPRESSIVE goals from the Swan Districts camp were few and far between, as the scoreboard indicated. Swans' leading goalkicker Brent Hutton was kept well under wraps by Bryce Forman, who surprised everyone with his defensive play. But Hutton did show his class in the third term with two strong marks and long kicks for goal. But the man who caught the eye in Swans' scoring department was Steve Richardson. He had kicked their second late in the first term, but his final quarter burst when he goaled brilliantly on the run twice was so reminiscent of his twin brother Mike... particularly the way he strode out purposefully once he had gained possession.

FINALS TALLIES

Allen Daniels	7.5
Darren Bennett	7.1
Steve Goulding	6.0
Steve Richardson	3.1
Alex Ishchenko	3.1
Mark Blakely	3.1



East Fremantle's Mike Brennan (12) leads in the race for the ball ahead of Barry Kimberley.

Last week's second semi-final lacked nothing in desire and Swans Barry Kimberley showed tremendous courage and spirit to come back into play after receiving a heavy bump in the first quarter.

Kimberley was closely checked by the East Fremantle players whenever he went near the ball.

The Sharks players and coaching staff are well aware of the importance Kimberley plays in establishing run and momentum in the Swans mid-field.

Kimberley has had a fine year with the

black and whites and will again be a key man in their plans for success this week when they take on the pace and skill of Claremont's talented band of smaller men.

An under-rated player for so long, Kimberley is being paid a compliment when they take on the pace and skill of Claremont's talented band of smaller men.

For Swan Districts' to defend their premiership title they will look for another inspirational display of roving and goal kicking against the Tigers on Saturday.

UMPIRES UNDER PRESSURE

WHILE attention in the two semi finals has centred on the high standard of football, there have been four un-sung heroes.

The umpires who have controlled the respective first and second semi-finals have contributed to making both games such fine spectacles.

Mike Ball and David Johnson were in charge of the first semi-final and last week Reg Salis made his finals debut, pairing with veteran Ron Buckley.

Umpiring has come in for some hefty criticism at certain stages of the year, particularly early in the season.

However, as they have gained in experience the men in white have grown in confidence.

Now there appears a band of umpires



David Johnson

capable of playing their part in staging great games as those the fans have seen over the past two Saturdays.

Pressure is on all finals umpires, not only for appointments in what rates as a highlight of any umpire's career — a grand final — but in the Ampol end-of-season awards.

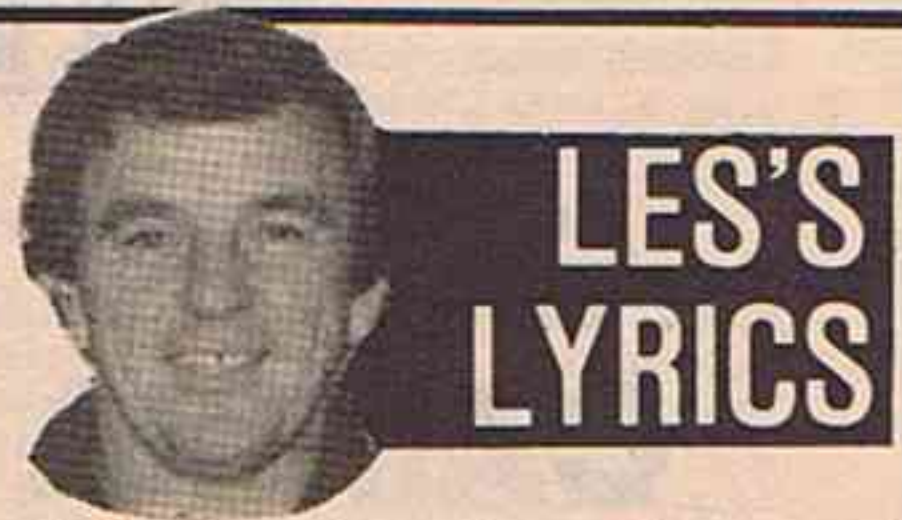
Ball has secured two out of the three series awards and must be a leading contender to collect the prize as umpire of the year, a trip for two to London, courtesy of Ampol.

Ball's form has been consistent all year and his performances in WA's two interstate clashes were excellent.

He would be a worthy winner of Umpire of the Year — but he faces a challenge from Johnson for the top prize.

Johnson was runner-up to the second and third series umpire awards and his first semi-final performance suggests he will have further chances to impress during the finals.

Whatever the case, the standard of umpiring has been brilliant to date in the finals and makes for easier watching and at the end of the day no-one makes particular criticism to the standard of umpiring.



6KY commentator and former Claremont and State champion LES MUMME has a different look at football.

LES'S LYRICS

ALEXANDER THE GREAT

With Alexander the Great to show them the way — The brilliant young Sharks won last Saturday.

He played by their side and coached them well. They got up far stronger each time they fell.

A forward named Bennett burst on to the scene, He prompted the crowd to jump up and scream.

This week is the final — the Sharks are at rest. While Tigers and Swans are put to the test.

Old rivals they are and a battle is sure. Spoils to the victor — the other — no more.

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



IAN MILLER OPEN RACE

I'M SURE the most gratifying result last week for Ron Alexander — other than his sweet victory over Swan Districts — was the fact that it was a complete "TEAM EFFORT". Everyone 'had a dip', all day. They had the players prepared to get on the bottom of the pack, a resolute defence, dominant ruck, midfield runners and forwards who finished off the work. It will be a shot in the arm for Swans who will rebound to face a confident Claremont, thus giving tipsters a hard time. Thanks to East Fremantle, the contest for this year's flag remains open. In final-round football, you must produce on the day to take the honours. Previous performances mean very little.

NOT A JOKE

UNLIKE the ABC show the "Two Ronnies" it was no joke on Saturday with the clash of two of WA's biggest, strongest and most experienced ruckmen in Ron Alexander and Ron Boucher. Certainly Alexander met Boucher head on, taking all the points and did not allow him to cast his strong arm on the game. Alexander used all his experience to dominate the game. Boucher showed he was short of a run and it will be interesting to see if he plays this week. Form says no, but experience probably says yes. It will be an interesting decision for John Todd to make.

STRONG DEBUT

LIKE everyone at Subiaco Oval last week I was impressed with Darren Bennett's final round debut — to bag seven goals in a final is a top effort. I was also interested in his down-to-earth comments about his game. I thought one of his best efforts was the excellent use of his body to hold ground in the goal square to shepherd his opponent out, allowing the Roger Kerr kick to roll through for the only goal East Fremantle kicked during a 'slogging third-quarter affair.

TV PLANS

IT IS good to see TVW 7 promoting grand final day with a direct telecast from the Merlin Hotel between 10-11am with their special awards and grand final function. They should take a leaf out of Channel 7 in Melbourne and show a live telecast of the colts and reserves game until 12.30 pm. It could be a great build-up and also will give many people at home an opportunity to see games and set them in a mood to make grand final day the highlight of the year.

CHASING A RECORD

THE Perth club will be holding the counting of the fairest and best votes next week and it is fair to say that the main contenders this year would be Rob Wiley, Rhett Baynes and Bryan Cousins. The club record of seven fairest and bests is held by Merv McIntosh and Barry Cable. Rob has won it on five previous occasions and Bryan twice. It should be an interesting contest.

GOODBYE LIONS

BEING an old Fitzroy man I was disappointed to see them go down last Sunday but I'm sure former East Perth player Dean Turner will remember his debut final on the MCG in front of over 70,000 fans as a great experience. He performed very well on a wing for the Lions.

FALCONS WIN RACE FOR YOUNGSTER

WEST PERTH have won the race to sign talented 17-year-old East Carnarvon star Phillip Roberts.

Falcons general-manager Graeme Pleydell and assistant coach Clinton Farmer flew north last weekend to see the youngster play in the Carnarvon-Gascoyne NFL grand final.

The signing of Roberts, who is likened in skill and stature to Claremont's Michael Mitchell, is a coup for the Falcons.

Roberts has been keenly sought by several WAFL clubs because the area north of Carnarvon is unallotted territory.

East Carnarvon, Mitchell's former team, is an all-Aboriginal side.

LONG TRIP

Pleydell and Farmer drove 600 km on Sunday from Paraburdoo to Carnarvon to see the Carnarvon grand final and then flew back to Perth on Sunday night.

The West Perth pair covered over 3000 kms in two days in an effort to bolster their playing stock.

Pleydell said that he was pleased to win the race for Roberts and expected great things from him when he moves to Perth in January.

Claremont are one club believed to have been eager to sign Roberts and only last weekend visited Carnarvon in an effort to get his signature.

BUSY TIME

WAFL clubs not figuring in the finals series have been busy watching potential league players in many country zone finals.

Subiaco coach Haydn Bunton was in Paraburdoo on Saturday with Pleydell and Farmer, while East Perth and former Collingwood champion Stan Magro was

also on a recruitment drive around the north-west last weekend.

Magro has made it clear that he intends coaching a league club in 1985 — which opens the question of what team he was representing on his recruitment drive.

The WAFL was well represented in the north of the State last weekend.

General manager Peter Bowler and chief executive John Walker also travelled to the north to be present at local grand finals.

Football's book of records

THE 22nd annual edition of the FOOTBALL REGISTER will be on sale at Subiaco Oval next week when the 1984 grand final brings the season to a close.

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Take the Hardy's Grand Reserve Brut champagne, John to help drown your sorrows...

LIONS LAMENT

IT seems as though the writing was on the wall for Fitzroy's loss to Collingwood in the elimination final.

The Lions, who had surged into the finals with a sensational run home, winning six games on end, had to beat a 62-year hoodoo — they had not beaten Collingwood in a final since 1922, when they downed Collingwood to win the premiership.

Fitzroy were in back-to-back finals for the first time in 40 years, but both hurdles proved too high to overcome as the Magpies ran away with the game in the last term.

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- (4) To promote a feeling of readiness to participate.

A warm up should take between 10 to 20 minutes depending upon the nature of the activities. It should be a gradual build up in intensity and at the conclusion the players should be sweating. There should be a period of jogging followed by a series of run throughs of increasing effort up to 70 per cent. This should be followed by a series of stretching exercises as explained earlier. Then follows a further series of run throughs, at 85 per cent effort.

The players should not be allowed to kick the ball without first participating in the above warm up. Then they may be permitted to kick over a reduced distance at less than maximum force and using either foot. Gradually the distance may be increased. In addition, players should be encouraged to gradually increase their efforts to jump off the ground for marking as well as reducing the speed at which they approach the ball to pick it up off the ground.

The period of warming up is a critical one, particularly for the hamstring group of muscles, as they are forcefully extended in kicking, jumping, bending over and racing for the ball. If during a rest interval at practice players get cold, it may even be advisable purely as a preventative measure to require a gradual building up again in the intensity of effort.

Injury to muscles occur when they are either cold or fatigued. Therefore the traditional race to the training rooms at the conclusion of practice should be avoided. Sprint work should be completed when players are fresh, not at the end of training when they are tired and the likelihood of injury is high. Instead, a cooling down period should be substituted, i.e. a period of training when the physical demands are much reduced such as working on a pattern or strategy of play required for the next match.

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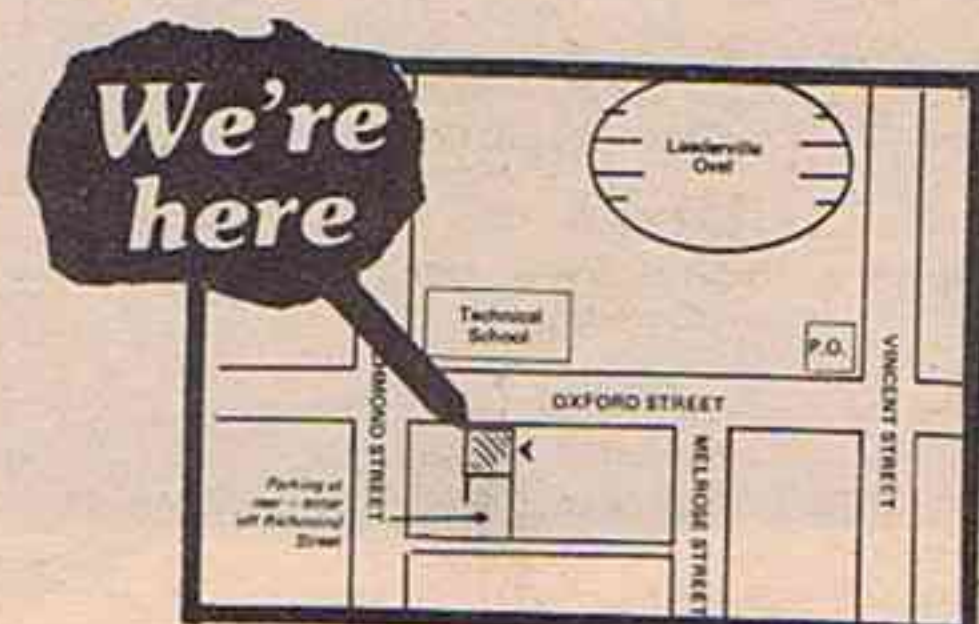


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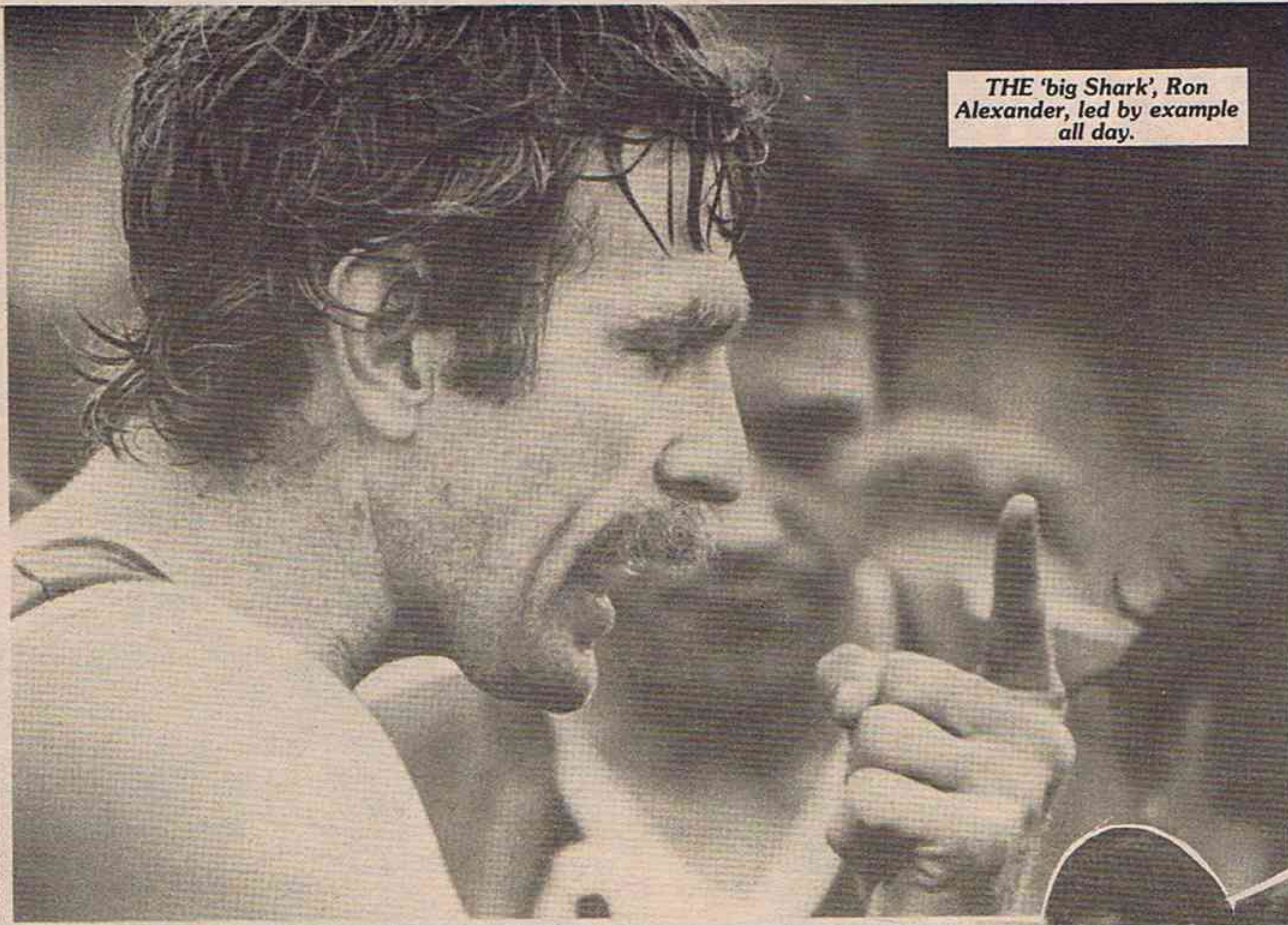


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EAST FREMANTLE surprised many people at Subiaco Oval last Saturday with the positive, aggressive way they approached the second semi-final most of all Swan Districts.

In one of the toughest finals seen for many years, the Sharks stormed the way into the 1984 grand final in brilliant fashion and have taken over as leading contenders for premierships honours.



THE 'big Shark', Ron Alexander, led by example all day.



The sensation of the 1983 final series, Peter Sartori holds a mark in front of Clinton Browning — one of the few times Browning was beaten for the ball all day.



Kim Hetherington returned to the Swans side after many weeks out with injury, but he leaves the ground with a suspected broken leg.

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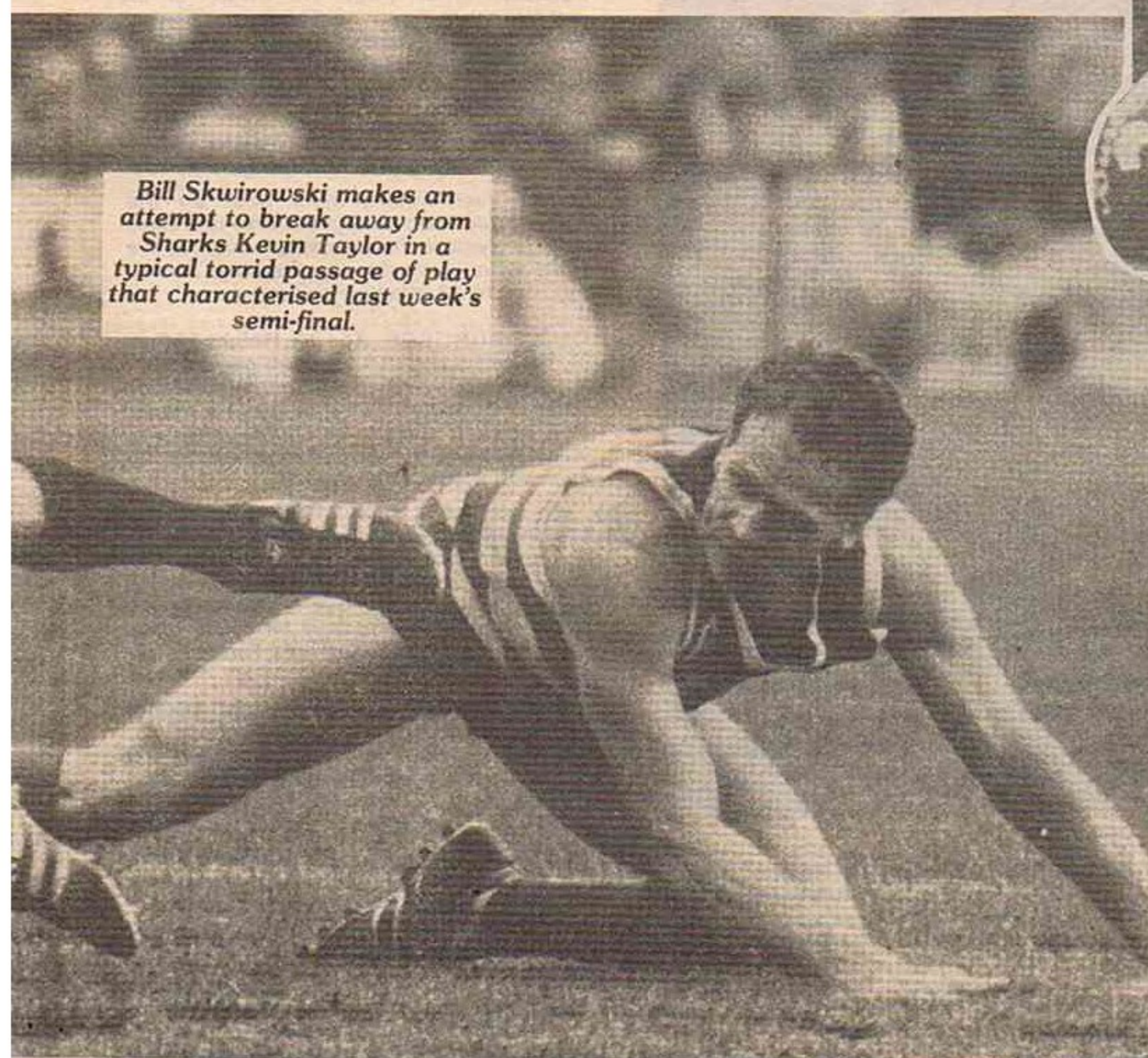
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The Sharks have left Swans battered and bruised, both physically and mentally, as the reigning premiers prepare for this week's vital preliminary final.

Westside Football's photographer Richie Hann was close at hand to capture all the action at league headquarters last week.



Eyes on the ball . . . Kevin Taylor (East Fremantle) makes a valiant attempt to shrug off the Bill Skwirowski tag. Skwirowski paid particular attention to Taylor all day.



Bill Skwirowski makes an attempt to break away from Sharks Kevin Taylor in a typical torrid passage of play that characterised last week's semi-final.

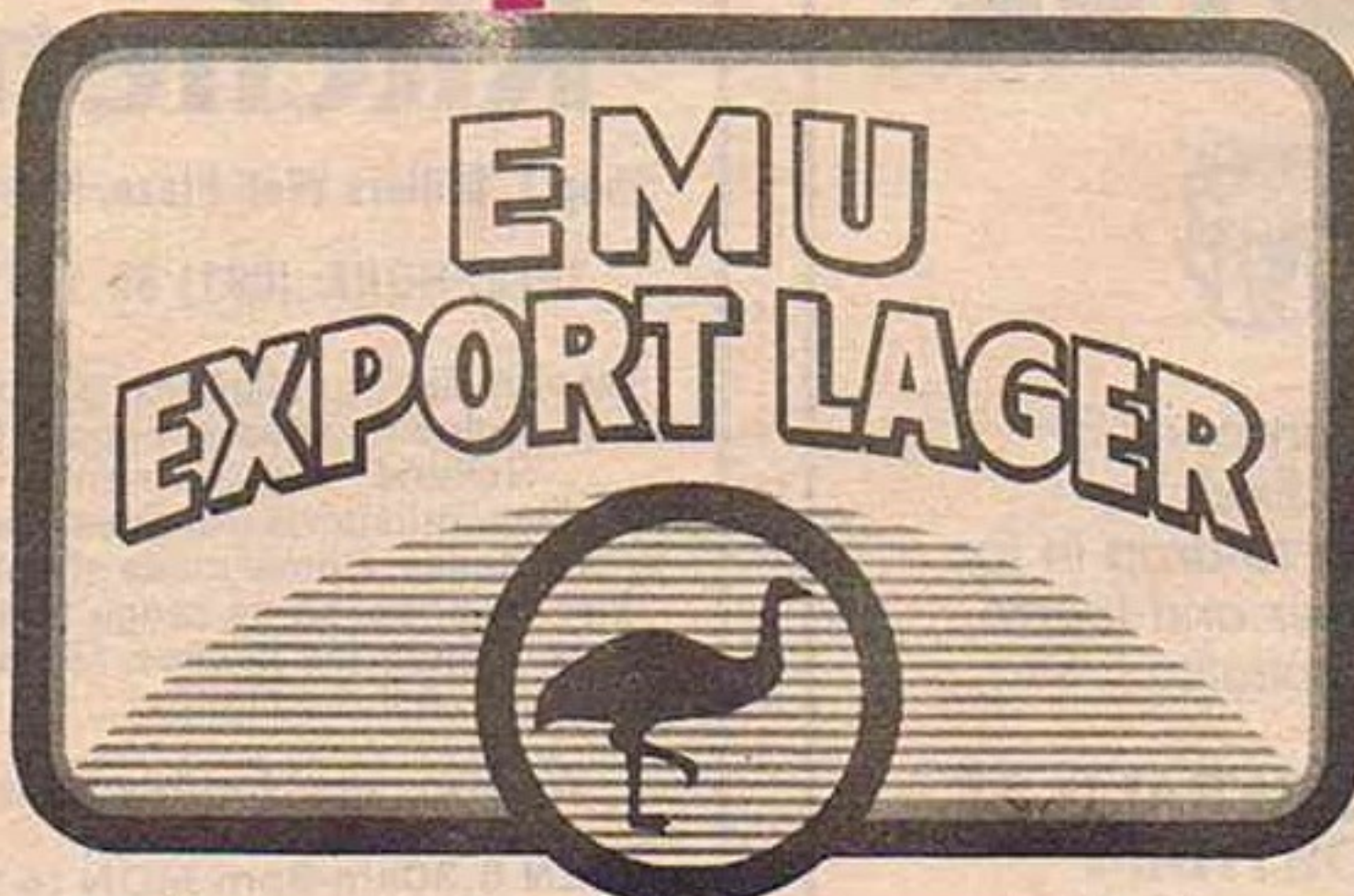


Tigerish centremen Murray Wrensted cops a back hander from Swans' Jon Fogarty, while Sharks coach Ron Alexander prepares to gain one of his many possessions for the day.



Not a happy day for John Todd.

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THE CONTESTANTS



Tony Solin

SWAN DISTRICTS

HOW THEY GOT THERE

SWAN DISTRICTS' plans to collect three consecutive premierships would hardly have included a preliminary final appearance this week. However, the reigning titleholders now find themselves with their backs against the wall and have a fight on their hands to remain in the premiership race. After their surprise loss to East Fremantle last week, Swans face the pace and skill of Claremont this week in what promises to be a no-holds-barred affair. Swans have met Claremont in finals four times under their current coaching leaders. Swans have the measure over the Tigers with a three to one game score. But history will be forgotten when the rival sides line-up on Saturday. The black and whites have regrouped since their loss to a more desperate Sharks side. Now it is Swans turn to be desperate in an attempt to confirm, once and for all, their claim to being the most powerful side in WA football.

5 RON BOUCHER. Age 31. Height 192cm (6.2). Weight 102kg (16.0). Club games 192. *The strong man of WA football. Is sure to bounce back from criticism he received after a sub-standard performance in last week's second-semi. A vital player to Swans prospects of securing a third premiership in succession.*

7 BRAD SHINE. Age 24. Height 178cm (5.10). Weight 78kg (12.4). Club games 85. *Never shirks an issue no matter how tough the game is. Has struggled to find his best form recently, but when the pressure goes on he is always in the thick of things making opportunities for his side.*

9 KEITH NARKLE. Age 31. Height 170cm (5.7). Weight 66kg (10.7). Club games 249. *A magnificent example to his players and will be desperate to celebrate his 250th league game as part of a successful side. His brilliant skills and pace from the wing will be important if Swans are to limit the influence of Claremont's pace men.*

10 BRENT HUTTON. Age 20. Height 185cm (6.1). Weight 80kg (12.8). Club games 44. *The brilliant skills and goal-kicking talents of this player of the future have not been completely on show yet in the finals. If Swans are to qualify for the grand final he will need to lift this week. Holds the key to efficiency in Swans forward line.*

11 DON LANGSFORD. Age 25. Height 185cm (6.1). Weight 81kg (12.11). Club games 135. *Is always a hard-working effective player in the Swans mid-field and defence. Seems to be gathering momentum since his return from a shoulder injury he received in the State-of-Origin clash in July. Knows what is required to play well in big games.*

12 GAVIN OUTRIDGE. Age 22. Height 178cm (5.10). Weight 75kg (11.11). Club games 29. *Lacking in big finals experience but his outing against East Fremantle is sure to play a big part in his development. Should show marked improvement having gained the knowledge of what finals football is about.*

13 BILL SKWIROWSKI. Age 28. Height 182cm (6.0). Weight 74kg (11.9). Club games 146. *Had the difficult task of tagging Sharks talented follower Kevin Taylor last week and showed why he is such a valuable player to the Swans side. Has the ability to combine a nullifying role with creative and constructive play for his side. Is a vital player in Swans hopes of success.*

15 PETER SARTORI. Age 19. Height 194cm (6.4½). Weight 89kg (14.0). Club games 53. *A quiet player last week who is sure to bounce back to his best and match winning form this week. Is capable of dominating ruck duels forward or defensive roles with telling effect. Is one of the keys to Swans chances.*



Bill Skwirowski

17 KEN MARSHALL. Age 24. Height 183cm (6.0). Weight 86kg (13.8). Club games 97. *Was 21st man for last week's second semi and will welcome the opportunity to come into the side through the injury to teammates. Is a talented forward with the potential to play in defence if required. Kicks the ball over long distances.*

18 MURRAY RANCE. Age 22. Height 190cm (6.3). Weight 85kg (13.5). Club games 85. *Has laid claim to being the best half-back in Australia with many fine displays this season. Swans will want him to be at his best this week. Has the capacity to dominate defence or if shifted into an attacking role.*

19 MICK JOHNS. Age 26. Height 195cm (6.5). Weight 93kg (14.9). Club games 97. *Desperate to atone the disappointment of not being selected in last year's grand final side and producing solid form in order to remain in the hunt for that opportunity.*

20 STEVE RICHARDSON. Age 25. Height 280cm (5.11). Weight 78kg (12.4). Club games 23. *His running and skilful disposal of the ball is vital to the effectiveness of Swans mid-field. Has the potential to kick vital goals at crucial stages of play. Is a player who refuses to accept defeat no matter what the circumstances.*

21 TOM MULLOOLY. Age 30. Height 184cm (6.0½). Weight 86kg (13.8). Club games 225. *Marshalls the defensive zone with his cool, precise management of his less experienced defenders. Suffered an injury that puts him in doubt for the all-important clash but is vital to Swans prospects of success. His disposal of the ball up field links defence with the mid-field with telling effect.*

23 ALBY SMITH. Age 24. Height 178cm (5.10½). Weight 70kg (11.0). Club games 16. *This high-flying speedster will be desperate to throw off the disappointment of having received limited opportunities over his league career if given the chance to perform. Loves kicking goals and should add pace if selected.*

25 SHANE BOGUNOVICH. Age 20. Height 203cm (6.8). Weight 101kg (16.0). Club games 10. *His height and aggressive attitude will add power to Swans' big-man brigade. Has shown on occasions this season that he is capable of carrying the ruck and given an opportunity could be a success in finals.*

26 BARRY KIMBERLEY. Age 27. Height 172cm (5.8). Weight 76kg (12.0). Club games 114. *Was subjected to some very hefty treatment in the opening of last week's final which suggests other clubs are aware of his importance to the running abilities of Swans. Is a brilliant player mid-field where he gathers many possessions for the benefit of the side and converts many important goals when resting.*

27 JON FOGARTY. Age 24. Height 185cm (6.1). Weight 80kg (12.8). Club games 109. *Started last week's semi final on the interchange bench and proved his real class with a typical hardworking constructive effort when brought into the play. Should continue to be effective this week.*

28 CHRIS BURGESS. Age 22. Height 190cm (6.3). Weight 91kg (14.5). Club games 19. *A talented player with the ability to play in defence or attack. Could be given a chance this week if Swans re-shuffle after last week's loss and would be keen to confirm his selection if given the chance.*

30 JOE AHMAT. Age 21. Height 180cm (5.11). Weight 76kg (12.0). Club games 6. *Is a player with a big future and if given the opportunity could prove a sensation in the hurly burly of finals games. Is a hardworking pacy mid-fielder who may be called on to match skills with the talented Tiger centre-liners.*

31 PETER WARE. Age 24. Height 180cm (5.11). Weight 86kg (13.8). Club games 45. *Suffered a severe hand injury last week and is unlikely to play again this season. His pace and skill will be sadly missed against the talented Claremont side.*

32 PETER HODYL. Age 22. Height 178cm (5.10). Weight 74kg (11.9). Club games 8. *Forms part of the back-up at the disposal of John Todd if opportunity arises for him to play. A dominant goal-kicker and hard-working rover from the reserves.*

33 DON HOLMES. Age 25. Height 180cm (5.11). Weight 77kg (12.2). Club games 92. *A potential match-winner when in a goal-kicking mood. Was closely checked and gained limited opportunity last week, but is sure to bounce back and if not kept under control will prove a vital link for Swans hopes.*

36 KEVIN CATON. Age 19. Height 183cm (6.0). Weight 70kg (11.0). Club games 9. *When Brent Hutton is firing up forward, Caton has the ability to complement and capitalise on it. Forms an excellent forward line combination with Hutton and Swans fans will be hoping for a repeat of what the two have produced on occasions this year. Is a brilliant high-flyer and goal-kicker when in form.*

50 PETER NUICH. Age 25. Height 193cm (6.4). Weight 98kg (15.6). Club games 4. *Another player in the wings waiting for an opportunity. Could prove an effective finals player with his bulk and strength if given the chance.*

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CLAREMONT

HOW THEY GOT THERE

CLAREMONT are in their sixth successive finals series under the guidance of coach Graham Moss. They front up to this week's no-holds-barred preliminary final, after a strong performance to throw off a severe challenge from East Perth in the first semi-final. In that opening game of the 1984 finals series it was the running game, which has made Claremont famous, that saw them victors on the day. Allen 'Shorty' Daniels was in the sort of form that has earned an All-Australian guernsey for the tour to Ireland and wingman Peter Davidson continued his brilliant form. The Tigers have a liking to run the ball and have demonstrated many times how they can carve up a side if they are allowed to dictate the terms of play. Because they run so hard and so often, it needs an extremely fit side to top their enormous skills. It was their potential to run East Perth off their feet in the latter stages of the first semi-final that has secured their place in Saturday's clash. If they are to remain in the finals race, it will be similar running tactics that will be the fore-front of their game plan.



Darrell Panizza

1 COLIN BARNES. Age 23. Height 188cm (6.2). Weight 82kg (13.0). Club games 41.

A close checking defender who has had limited opportunities in 1984. Could strengthen the defensive zone with his solid overhead marking and spoiling tactics to opposing forwards.

4 NOEL MORTON (Captain). Age 23. Height 180cm (5.11). Weight 79kg (12.6). Club games 106.

A dashing half-back who has the versatility to play well in a mid-fielder's role. Badly injured against Perth on May 12, but has returned to his best form which is a bonus to Claremont's prospects of success.

5 ALLEN DANIELS. Age 25. Height 179cm (5.10). Weight 80kg (12.9). Club games 106.

Showed his scintillating best form in the first semi-final when he ran all over the ground collecting many possessions and topped his game with seven goals. His liking for the big-match atmosphere is a credit to his courage and brilliant skills.

6 BRAD REYNOLDS. Age 27. Height 186cm (6.0). Weight 86kg (13.7). Club games 138.

Unlikely to play due to injury. A brilliant defender with an ability to take strong overhead marks and clear with dash and precision to team-mates up field.

7 LARRY KICKETT. Age 30. Height 172cm (5.8). Weight 70kg (11.0). Club games 184.

A quiet game in the first semi-final, but he is sure to bounce back. Has settled into his defensive role this season with class and distinction.

8 STEVE MALAXOS. Age 23. Height 177cm (5.10). Weight 74kg (11.9). Club games 128.

The 1984 Sandover Medallist is an inspiration to the entire Claremont side. Was a quiet player by his own standards in the first semi, but managed to play a vital part in the Tigers win.

9 MIKE AITKEN. Age 24. Height 185cm (6.1). Weight 84kg (13.4). Club games 98.

Seldom beaten whether playing in defence or up forward. Was forced to lower his colours to the Royals in the first semi-final but is sure to bounce back in his 100th game.

10 MICHAEL MITCHELL. Age 22. Height 172cm (5.8). Weight 66kg (10.6). Club games 53.

His pace and skill is capable of winning games off his own boot. Clinched a place in football history by becoming the 1984 Sandover Medallist. With the euphoria of that event over he will be ready to concentrate on playing a big part in Claremont's premiership drive.

11 PETER DAVIDSON. Age 21. Height 183cm (6.0). Weight 80kg (12.10). Club games 28.

Is fast becoming one of the most damaging players in WA football. His superb skills and pace tops the Claremont centre line where he has been in brilliant form on his wing.

12 BRUCE MONTEATH. Age 29. Height 188cm (6.2). Weight 83kg (13.0). Club games 252.

Should make a welcome return to the Tiger forward line where his experience and skill will bolster the Tiger's ability to kick telling goals.

14 LINDSAY KANTHER. Age 24. Height 177cm (5.10). Weight 82kg (13.0). Club games 144.

A player who, when given a contract, always completes the task and is seldom beaten. Has the ability to be an effective tag or play as a constructive half-back.

18 STEVEN GOULDING. Age 24. Height 183cm (6.0). Weight 85kg (13.5). Club games 97.

As Claremont's converted full-forward he has been an outstanding success. His conversion rates from kicks received is tremendous and looms as a danger player to any opposing defender.

20 BADEN HARPER. Age 27. Height 191cm (6.3). Weight 92kg (14.7). Club games 103.

The former State defender will employ his superb marking and spoiling skills to be a solid defender. The Tigers lacked the services of a good full-back in the first semi. He is sure to remedy that problem.

21 DAVID COURT. Age 22. Height 189cm (6.2). Weight 97kg (15.4). Club games 52.

Has had limited opportunity this season but when called upon has shown adequate skills and hard work to provide sound back-up to David O'Connell and Barry Beecroft.



Stephen Goulding

22 MICHAEL O'CONNELL. Age 22. Height 190cm (6.3). Weight 82kg (13.0). Club games 43.

A close checking half-back with a healthy attitude for hard work. Is willing to back his judgement in order to create play down the field and recover quickly through an amazing stamina.

26 DAVID O'CONNELL. Age 21. Height 193cm (6.4). Weight 88kg (13.12). Club games 22.

Produced a fine effort in the first semi-final when he showed that he is ready to accept the responsibility of leading the ruck with maturity and class.

27 BARRY BEECROFT. Age 29. Height 193cm (6.4). Weight 94kg (14.12). Club games 63.

Showed real character when beaten early in the first semi-final by Alex Ishchenko, but fought back to be one of his side's better players. His experience is vital at bounce-downs and throw-ins.

28 RAY SMITH. Age 25. Height 179cm (5.10). Weight 80kg (12.10). Club games 39.

Took over the 'tagging' role of Peter Spencer in the first semi and did it with class. Is a skilful player with a positive approach to success.

29 IAN RAKICH. Age 20. Height 170cm (5.7). Weight 62kg (9.8). Club games 7.

The 1984 Prendergast Medallist adds pace and skill to the Claremont little-man division. Is a courageous rover with fine ball skills and the potential to kick important goals.

31 NEIL PARK. Age 22. Height 183cm (6.0). Weight 76kg (12.0). Club games 11.

A quiet player in the first semi-final who will be out to atone in Saturday's crucial final. Will need to be more close checking if used as a defender.

32 MARK HANN. Age 21. Height 175cm (5.9). Weight 68kg (10.8). Club games 20.

A talented centre-liner who complements the pace and skills of the Tigers mid-field. Has been in the wings for much of 1984 waiting for an opportunity to impress.

33 DEAN WINNING. Age 20. Height 175cm (5.9). Weight 71kg (11.3). Club games 6.

A talented mid-fielder who has impressed with a willingness to follow the standard set by his more senior running players of the side. A solid contributor in the first semi-final.

36 TONY BEERS. Age 21. Height 186cm (6.1). Weight 83kg (13.2). Club games 13.

A brilliant goal-kicking forward who was out of touch in the first semi. His constructive play opens the Tiger's forward line creating opportunity to score.

40 DARRELL PANIZZA. Age 25. Height 177cm (5.10). Weight 80kg (12.8). Club games 116.

Started slowly in the first semi-final but when he ran hard, the Tigers looked better. A damaging player whom any opponent finds difficult to match for pace and skill.

41 SIMON LILL. Age 22. Height 190cm (6.3). Weight 85kg (13.5). Club games 29.

A beaten defender in the first semi-final who will be anxious to rectify the fault of not having attempted to spoil rival forwards more often. A solid defender on his day.

49 DEAN FARMER. Age 20. Height 193 (6.4). Weight 85kg (13.4). Club games 22.

Showed his true potential on occasions in the first semi-final, but will need to lift further if he is to be an effective ruckman/forward against a three pronged big-man battery.



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IT'S WEMBLEY AND MT LAWLEY

WEMBLEY won the right to play in the A-grade grand final with a hard-earned victory over Trinity-Aquinas by 22 points.

In the atrocious conditions it was Wembley who handled the weather and pressure better than Trinity-Aquinas and must be a real threat to Mt Lawley's chances this week.

Wembley have come from the clouds as far as premiership contenders go; they were playing average football early and mid-season, but have grown an extra leg come the business end of the season.

It is notable that the improved form of captain-coach Russell Ellen in the ruck has coincided with Wembley's improvement and he will be a real danger-man in this match.

The grand final will see some excellent individual clashes with Justin Cook (ML) up against Wembley's top defender Spider Watkins and the roving clash of two stars in Kevin Symonds (W) and Darryl Mickle (ML). But the thunder should come from the heavyweights Ellen against Paul Pasco and Kevin Kosovich (W) up against the tough hard-working Tony Williams.

Another exciting clash will be between Wembley centre-half-forward Peter Falconer and Mt Lawley's Matt Bush-Jones. Both are skilful and experienced players and the outcome will have a big bearing on the result of this match.

Whatever the result is, the credit of both sides making the grand final should go to the two coaches, Russell Ellen and Ralph Needham. Ellen has used his vast experience of league football with Essendon in the VFL and West Perth in WA with guile as Wembley have done the build-up to this game in style. Needham, a



Matt Bush-Jones Peter Falconer

veteran of over 200 games for Mt Lawley, is one of the hardest working coaches and puts numerous hours into his team with deserved results.

His knowledge of local football has seen the right type of players recruited.

Their coaching has got the two sides this far and cannot do much more. The players will take up the challenge in what should be one of the most packed grand finals for many years.

— TREVOR SCHORER

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

THIS Saturday will see the end of the 1984 season for amateur football — unless we have one of those untimely draws.

To those teams taking part in the grand finals I wish you the best of luck and remind you that the aspirations of your club administrators go onto the ground with you.

Your success will be their reward for the support they have given you, the players.

On behalf of the Management Committee may I extend sincere congratulations to the fairest and best medal winners in all grades and the leading goalkickers for their outstanding personal achievements during 1984.

The medal count function on Wednesday, September 5 was very well received and its success can be attributed to those in amateurs who attended and took part.

Special mention should be made of the P.R. committee — John Davies, Mal Monger, Greg Maskiell and helpers for their planning of the night and also to Brian Thirley and the office staff, particularly John Ashley, for the time spent in counting and preparing the votes in the 16 grades.

There have been several changes in personnel, both on committees and in the office since last season and your acceptance of these changes and assistance to them in their roles has also been much appreciated.

There will be more changes in the future and I am confident we will all adjust accordingly and continue to work together for the enjoyment of all associated with Amateur Football.

Once again, the best of luck to all 32 sides on Saturday and the 16 premiership winners will be worthy representatives of their clubs and this competition.

Trevor Howard, WAAFL President.

SPRILYAN WINS A GRADE F & B

LEIGH Sprlyan (North Beach) continued his excellent record in fairest and best awards by taking out the 1984 WAAFL 'A' grade fairest and best medal.

The North Beach captain coach and former East Perth league player was an outstanding junior winning the fairest and best in the East Perth junior council in 1974 (U/17s for Dianella).

He was runner-up in the colts fairest and best in 1976, won the WAAFL fairest and best 'D' 1981 (Mt Lawley TC), Toodyay's fairest and best 1982 and North Beach fairest and best 1983.

This year he was a member of the successful State team.

In five years in 'A' grade, North Beach have provided three fairest and best medal winners (Gavin Hambley 1977 and 1978).

For the second successive year a Mt Lawley player was runner-up to the 'A' medal. Justin Cook (centre-half-forward) was also a member of the 1984 State team.

Other fairest and best medal count highlights were the professional touch provided by



Leigh Sprlyan (left) and Justin Cook.

WAAFL full-time executive officer and media personality Brian Thirley, capably backed up by Trevor Schorer (Westside Football 'A' grade section writer) and Paul Watts on the panel show.

Three captain-coaches won medals — Leigh Sprlyan (North Beach A), Max Ford (Cockburn Lakes 'G') and Peter Somers (Graylands 'F'). Somers also won the 1981 Sunday Division fairest and best.

Two players headed both the fairest and best medal count as well as being the top goalscorers — K. Maisey (Applecross 'E'), P Bedford (East Fremantle 'J').

Lynwood-Ferndale fans were pleased with their players taking out the 'D' fairest and best and heading the goalkicking list in both 'D' and 'I' grades.

FOOTBALL REGISTER

THIS 150-plus page booklet of all league results, country results, award winners, etc., also contains a round-up of the 1984 amateur season.

The book will be available on WAFL grand final day at Subiaco Oval and also in all newsagencies.

NORTH FREMANTLE AFTER THEIR NINTH TITLE

NORTH Fremantle the 1984 B Grade minor premiers, are chasing their ninth senior premiership and will start favourites in the B-grade grand final against Bayswater.

North's experienced coach Glen Hurst has a team of runners at his disposal and proved themselves the top combination with only two losses during the season (one to Bayswater).

Their last senior grade premiership success was with their reserve team in 1969 ('D').

Nothing should separate the two with North's strong backline holding the key, trying to keep the Baysie Bulldogs forwards from adding to their already impressive tally — they have kicked 200 points more than their nearest rivals.

Innaloo C-GRADE suffered only one loss during the season and should account for Mt Lawley No.2, who finished third two games behind.

Ben Poggi, Innaloo's most successful coach, is chasing yet another premiership.

They are chasing their highest graded premiership (last success 1970 'E').

Mt Lawley's coach Bob Ford has an experienced team at his disposal and many already have played in several winning finals. The Innaloo "Bulldog" have shown enough to win a tough encounter.

Lynwood-Ferndale "Panthers", minor premiers in D-grade, finished three games clear of Nollamara No.2. Lynwood's last and only premiership success was 1980 (I) and they have come a long way in a short short time. Nollamara have many former 'A' grade players with final round experience and their No.2 team were 1978 premiers in 'F'.

Lynwood-Ferndale, riding on a high with several player winning major W.A.A.F.L. awards, should finish top strong.

Both WACAE and Applecross E-grade (1984 minor premiers) have little separating them. The experience of Applecross "Numbats", Peter Jones coaching his 101st game may hold the key, already winning the 1983 'G' and 1982 'H' flags. WACAE are a formation of teachers colleges and chasing their first pennants under the new name.

In F-grade Scarborough No.2 have come from second place to meet third placed Graylands, who are no strangers to finals. Scarborough Seagulls Ron Marchant, in his second coaching year, should take the honours from Peter Somers "Grays". The Graylands Club has yet to win a premiership and are desperate to turn the tide.

Possibly the hottest favourites for premiership honours in Amateur circles are Cockburn Lakes in G-grade. With coach and WAAFL fairest and best winner Max Ford in control, they should repeat the result of the second semi against University. However, Uni should not be underestimated as this is the only senior team they have in the grand finals.

In H-grade Roy Schelten's Scarborough's No.3 finished third and have emerged final round giant killers and caused problems for M.H.W.P. No.2. Scarborough have an excellent record in their lower grade while the M.H.W.P. club is chasing a third premiership since 1982.

I-grade minor premiers Girrawheen (with 17 wins) suffered a shock defeat by Old Wesley No.3 (who won six games less in qualifying rounds). Coach Norm Perry has yet to coach a premiership team despite finishing most teams in top spot. Girrawheen desire a better fate than running second while Old Wesley should be hard pressed to play the type of football they did two weeks ago.

East Fremantle could complete a rags to riches story in J-grade if they overcome Hellenics. Last season Easts finished with only three wins and this year look a totally different combination. Hellenics are capable of gaining their club's first reserve team premiership. Their 10 goal win last week should be a moral booster.

Edgewater must find something extra in order to down W.A.I.T. in K-grade who lost only one home and away game. Edgewater are a young club with a big future. W.A.I.T., on the other hand, are on the crest of a rebuilding wave having won two successive 'C' colts flags.

In L-grade North Fremantle's third team cannot expect Morley to be caught off guard this week. Morley, the league's only unbeaten side until the upset win by Norths, will be back with a vengeance and are capable of winning by a reasonable margin.

COLTS

A-COLTS: Mt Lawley, coached by Brad Dunn are keen to erase the grand final loss of 1983 against Wembley. University will be no pushovers, but the experience of some of the Lawley Hawks' key players could be the difference.

B COLTS: Carlisle, with an excellent colts grand final record, appear to have the wood over minor premiers West Coast, coached by Brearley Hollingsworth. After a slow start to the season coach, Angelo Pini has the Carlisle Cougars primed at the right time.

C-COLTS: Innaloo last won a colts premiership in 1980 while Dianella were victorious in 1981. Dianella, coached by Marty Burgess, have an excellent chance of victory after their tremendous win last week.

D-COLTS: Redcliffe (Chris Oakley coach) and West Coast No.2 (coached by Grant Button) are evenly balanced with Redcliffe hitting top form in recent weeks, slight favourites to become one of the few teams to win a premiership in their first year of amateurs.

All clubs secretary's are reminded that the winning team must phone in the grand final scores to WAAFL Secretary Bruce Wainwright 447 3502 before 6.30p.m.

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

PRELIMINARY FINALS A-GRADE

Wembley	8.3	11.8	12.11	16.13	109
Trinity-Aquinas	2.1	5.4	11.7	13.9	87

Goals: WEMBLEY: N. Stanisis 3, K. Kosovich 2, P. Falconer 2, P. Sanders 2, G. Callahan 2, K. Symons 2, W. Andrew, R. Ellen, R. McNeil 1. TRINITY-AQUINAS: M. Collins 5, M. Bartlett 5, T. Power 3.

A-COLTS

University	2.3	9.5	12.6	14.14	98
Wembley	1.1	1.2	6.5	6.6	42

GOALS — UNIVERSITY: J. Newing, W. Witham 3, N. Weedon 2. WEMBLEY: G. Stanton, C. Manning M. Hern 2.

E-GRADE

Applecross	6.2	9.7	13.8	15.9	99
R & I Bank	1.2	2.2	6.3	9.7	61

BEST — APPECROSS: G. McCreary, K. Maisey, S. Nocolova, M. Tessa, S. Thomas.

OTHER RESULTS

B GRADE: Bayswater 11.13 d WAIT 7.6. B COLTS: West Coast 14.9 d Maylands 7.8. C GRADE: Mt Lawley No. 2 d Dianella 7.15. C COLTS: Dianella d Forrestfield. D GRADE: Nollamara No.2 9.8 d Swan Athletic 7.14. D COLTS: Redcliffe 7.19 d Riverton 8.10. F GRADE: Graylands 7.9 d Coolbinia-Yokine 5.10. G GRADE: University d Mt Lawley. H GRADE: MHWP No.2 23.18 d City of Perth 5.11. I GRADE: Girrawheen 21.16 d Bassendean No.2 9.5. J GRADE: Hellenics 12.15 d Coolbinia-Yokine No.2 3.8. K GRADE: Edgewater No.2 10.11 d Coolbellup No.2 4.9. L GRADE: Morley d Bassendean.

GRAND FINALS

A GRADE: Mt Lawley v Wembley at Perth Oval. A COLTS: Mt Lawley v University at Perth Oval. B GRADE: North Fremantle v Bayswater at Lathlain Park. B COLTS: Carlisle v West Coast at Lathlain Park. C GRADE: Innaloo v Mt Lawley No. 2 at Leederville Oval. C COLTS: Innaloo v Dianella at Leederville Oval. D GRADE: Lynwood-Ferndale v Nollamara No. 2 at Bassendean Oval. D COLTS: West Coast No. 2 v Redcliffe at Bassendean Oval. E GRADE: WACAE v Applecross at Fremantle Oval. F GRADE: Scarborough No. 2 v Graylands at Inglewood Oval. G GRADE: Cockburn Lakes v University at East Fremantle. H GRADE: Scarborough No. 3 v MHWP No. 2 at Hamer Park. I GRADE: Old Wesley No. 3 v Girrawheen at Balcatta Reserve. J GRADE: East Fremantle v Hellenic at Gilfraser Reserve. K GRADE: WAIT No. 3 v Edgewater No. 2 at Kingsway Reserve. L GRADE: North Fremantle v Morley at Millington Reserve.

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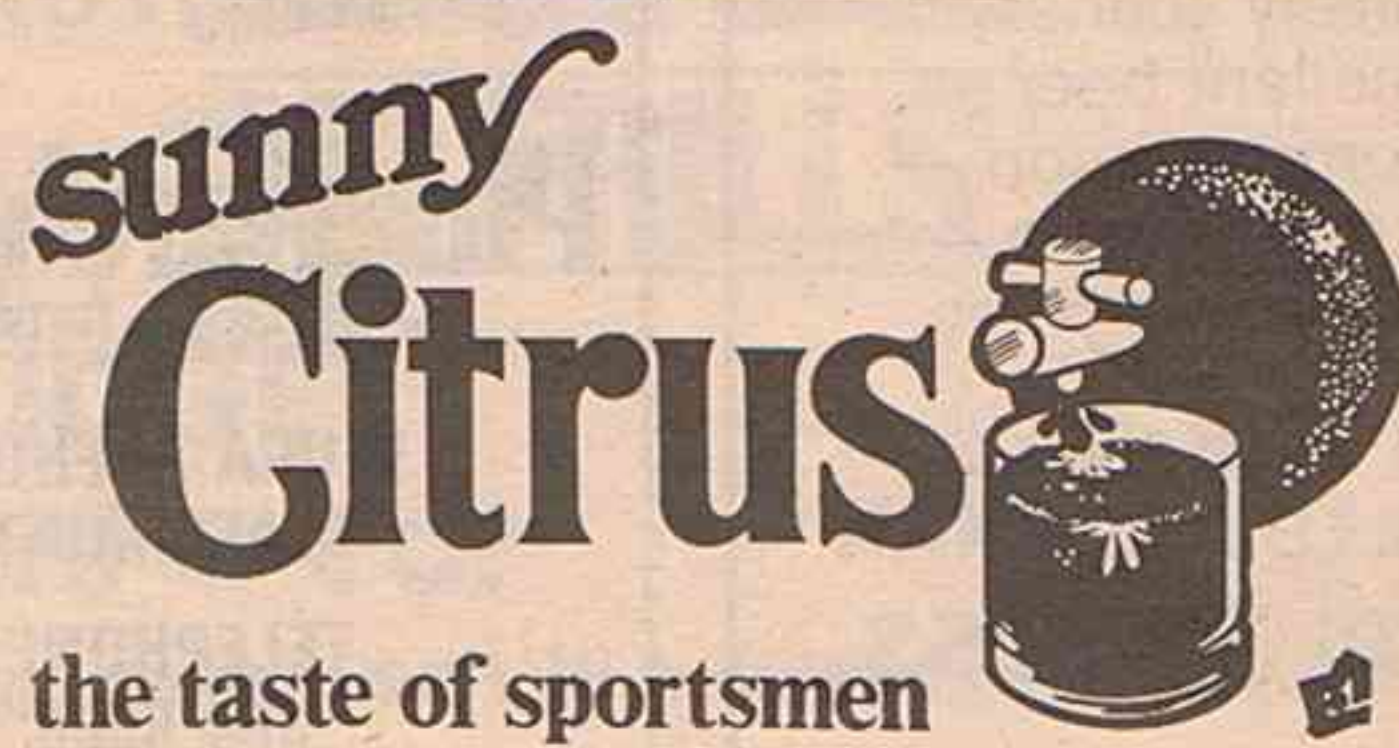
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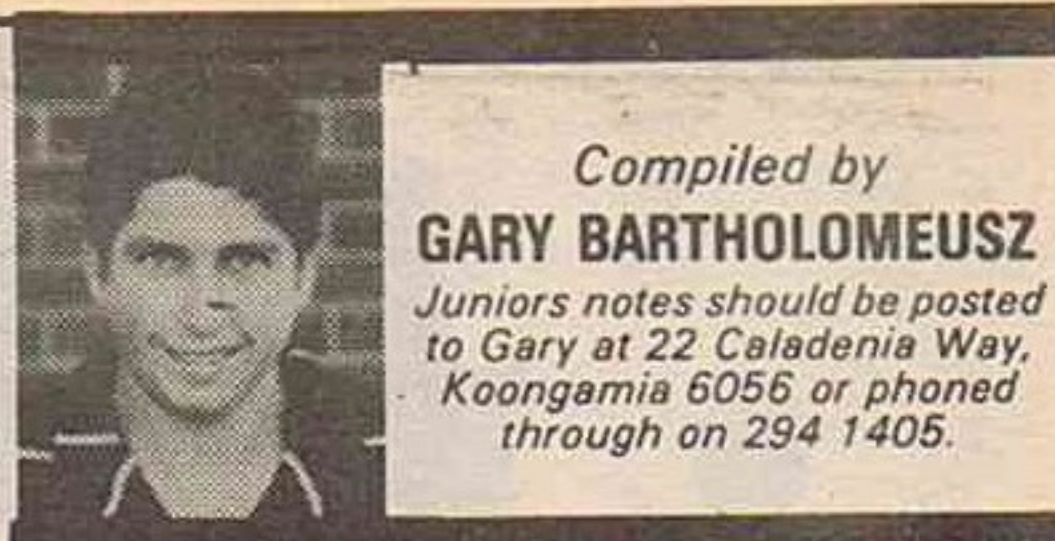
A-grade: Leigh Sprlyan (North Beach) 19, runner-up Justin Cook (Mt Lawley) 17. B-grade: Drew Herrington (North Fremantle) 22, runner-up Ken Bell (WAIT) 20. C-grade: W. Brown (Dianella) 19. D-grade: K. Simeon (Lynwood-Ferndale) 25. E-grade: K. Maisey (Applecross) 23. F-grade: P. Somers (Graylands) 18. G-grade: M. Ford (Cockburn Lakes) 35. H-grade: A. Rees (ANZ) 17. I-grade: G. Young (Bassendean) 19. J-grade: P. Bedford (East Fremantle) 23. K-grade: F. Nannup (Coolbellup) 27. L-grade: L. Schaafsma (Coolbinia-Yokine) 19. A-colts: S. Paddon (Wembley) 18. B-colts: C. Brown (Carlisle) 15. C-colts: B. Smith (Northbridge AICA) 14. D-colts: D. Van Nieuwburg (Riverton) 20.



KEN SIMEON (Lynwood-Ferndale) winner of WAAFL 'D' fairest and best. Won 1979 Sunday division fairest and best with Graylands and headed 1977 'B' goalkicking list with Maylands.



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This East Fremantle player is hotly pressured by a Claremont player in last week's R & I Little League knock-out semi-finals.

Swans to play the Tigers

THE R & I Little League competition is looking like last year's senior battle — Claremont versus Swans.

These two combined junior council teams qualified for the 1984 grand final last week with impressive victories in their semi-finals.

Claremont and Swans, who finished second and third on the table at the end of the qualifying games, maintained that good form when the series swung into the knockout competition, with the clubs being represented by combined sides.

Subiaco, who topped the qualifying games table, could not quite go on with that form as they went down to Swans, but only by two points.

Swans won 2.3 to Subiaco's 2.1. Best players were: Swans — Chris Milentis, Shaun Stanley and Kerryn Cox. Subiaco — Justin Drifill, Andrew Grieve, Adam Esposito.

Claremont produced a team effort in their 1.2 to two points win against East Fremantle, whose best players were Steven Bell, Brian Gladwell and Kane Morphett.

Swans and Claremont will now clash in the R & I grand final at half-time in the league preliminary final this Saturday between Claremont and Swan Districts.

SATURDAY'S TEAMS

SWANS	CLAREMONT
1. M. Castledine (Capt.)	1. B. Mathew
2. M. Malaspina	2. M. Edwards
3. P. Snell	3. D. Metropolis
4. C. Milentis	4. P. Pendeville
5. T. Jordan	5. J. Lorrain
6. K. Cox	6. P. Ganfield
7. S. Renouff	7. A. McIntosh
8. G. Hedditch	8. J. Coolley
9. S. Rossen	9. M. V'Dell
10. N. Kelly (V. Capt.)	10. B. King
11. T. Robinson	11. J. Kerr
12. D. Byrne	12. K. Williams
13. S. Marshall	13. A. Hutton
14. D. Byng	14. A. Cloveian
15. P. Harrison	15. N. Ladger
16. J. Rechichi	16. J. Jordan
17. D. Pether	17. A. Collins
18. W. Guthrie	18. D. Boyle
19. D. Mears	19. M. Foster
20. S. Stanley	20. T. Davis
21. C. King	
22. J. Hewitt	
23. M. Stewart	
24. L. Hooper	
25. D. Guinan	



SAINTS Under 15s Premiers (Gold with Maroon stripe). Back Row: L to R — Rodney Bellotti, Louis Milne, Michael Oakley, Fabian Dawson, Shane Ryan, Andrew Durmanich, Carlo Andreoli, Desmond Eremia, (Vice-Capt.) Stephen Bilich (Captain), Norman Morgan. Middle-row: Fabian Cook, Kelvin Oliver, Jimmy Morgan, Arnold Park, Brendon Farrell and Bradley Cox. Front row: Mark Faithful, Leo Ryan, Dominic Andreoli and Revel Oakley.



HAWKS Under 11s Premiers (Blue and Black). Back row: L to R — Glen Thompson, Darryl Turner (vice-capt.), Chris Jefferies, Larry Quartermaine (Capt.), Jason Parry and Michael Baron. Middle Row: Shaun Wainwright, Laurence Bellotti, Steven Wear, Tommy Quartermaine and Mark Middleton. Front Row: Jason Castlehow, Dawber Roberts, Gregory Daniels and Christine Wenn.

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The answer to last week's question was Tony Beers and the lucky winner is Jack Cullity, of Cottesloe.



CITY WINNERS

SINCE 1972 the 12-year-olds from North Beach JFC and Kulin-Lake Grace Kukerin have competed against each other for two trophies — the Lindsay Bidstrup and Ken Smith Shields. During each season two games are played (one at home and one away) and for the first time since 1978, North Beach were successful in regaining both trophies. They had a good win — 6.13 to 1.1 — at home and a narrow loss 5.7 to 7.8 at Kulin. Best players for the country team were Robert Clayton, Troy Leo, Tony Eyres and Mark Taylor. Best for North Beach were Bradley Scanlon, Jarrad Saulsman, Jason Dover and Phillip Ellis. Elders-West sponsored the special commemorative certificates issued to each boy.

TIGER STAR

WITH the completion of the Alcock Cup, another outstanding schoolboy footballer in Grant Povey has emerged at Claremont. The Scotch College star made certain of his place in the first semi-final with a polished display against Perth last Saturday. He has adjusted quickly to colts football, playing against older and stronger opponents then he confronted in schoolboy football.

WARRIORS TRIUMPH IN CARNARVON

CARNARVON/GASCOYNE team Warriors, who produced 1984 Sandover Medallist Michael Mitchell, won their fourth 17s grand final in six seasons under coach Donald Wheelock when they easily beat Ramblers 16.6 to 6.4 last Sunday at the Carnarvon Town Oval.

Ramblers had beaten their opponents once this season, but were no match for Warriors, though they were only a goal behind at half time.

Warriors best players were David Starr (four goals), John Holland, Barry Hayward and Shane Eramiah (who bagged six majors). Steve Bilicich, Greg Pickles, Patrick Walsh and Danny Kuzmachich were best for the losers. Ramblers' Julian Constantine scored two goals.

PROMISED

Unfortunately, the junior grades, which promised close and exciting grand finals on form, turned into one-sided affairs. In the 15s, last year's runners up Saints went one better and won the title by thrashing Falcons 30.17 to 0.3.

The game was a real turn-around from the second semi-final clash when Falcons won by six goals and became the first team to down the Saints all season.

The best player in the grand final was Steve Bilicich, of Saints.

In the 11s grade, Farmers were runners-up for the third season in succession. Hawks won their second straight premiership by beating Farmers 10.7 to 1.2. The victors had Larry Quartermaine the best player afield. In the previous game between these two sides, the match was drawn.

OMITTED

Glen Davies, an East Fremantle 12s player, was omitted from the East Fremantle junior council's fairest and best voting results given last week in WESTSIDE FOOTBALL — sorry about that 'unduly rough play' Glen.

Glen is a player of much potential and this season was runner-up in the junior council voting for the second consecutive year.

His season finished on a high note. He was awarded the fairest and best in the grand final which, as vice captain, his team won.



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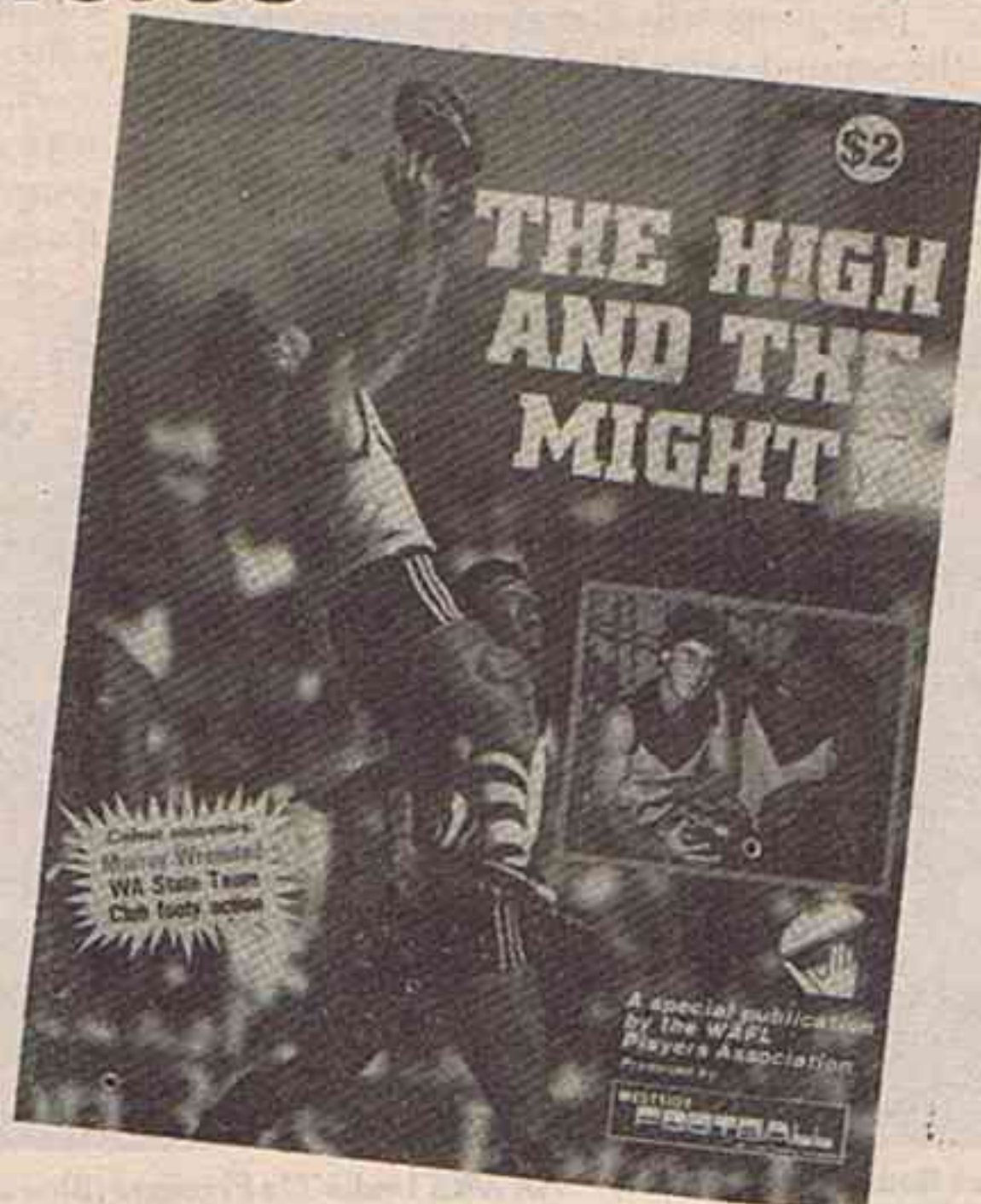
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SUNDAY SCENE

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

WANNEROO READY FOR KALAMUNDA

WANNEROO earned the right to challenge Kalamunda in Sunday Football's inaugural grand final when they produced all their finals know-how to knock Kenwick out of the race at Kingsway Reserve last Sunday.

The 'Roos turned in a typical finals display in the third quarter, when they bottled the game up and held Kenwick to just three goals with a strong breeze.

During the disciplined third quarter it was apparent Wanneroo sensed victory and were ready for their 11th straight grand final.

COACHES

During those 11 years many fine players and coaches have passed through the Wanneroo club.

In 1969 former State champion Joe Fanchi coached Wanneroo to the club's first ever premiership and then in 1974 Bob Howatt, now assistant coach, was responsible for initiating the run into 11 successive grand finals.

Steve Arnott coached the 'Roos in 1977 and then it was former Subiaco ruckman Peter Burton who started the succession of premierships in WAFA, in 1978.

East Perth coach Greg Brehaut served his coaching apprenticeship with four straight successes from 1979 to 1982, leaving the club in healthy state from which Stuart Hillier has carried on.

This Sunday's appointment with the powerful Kalamunda side is a more challenging experience than some of their previous successes.

This appointment is with a team full of talented and hardened league players who know what is required to win important games of football.

Kalamunda have come a long way in a short period of time and although they may lack the finals knowledge of their Wanneroo counterparts they have taken all before them in grand style this season and have recorded two previous wins over the 'Roos.

POWERFUL

The most recent dominance over Wanneroo was a powerful performance in the second semi-final at the same venue for Sunday's rematch, Gosnells Oval.

Kalamunda will be the sentimental favourite and supported by all the former South Suburban fans.

The Cougars have the capacity and desire to beat Wanneroo at their own finals game.

Kalamunda combine strength with skill and work well as a team to create opportunities for each other.

The Roos will place great emphasis on their brilliant centreline where Greg Rich, Paul Taylor and Terry Senior have been in brilliant form.

Kalamunda will look to Bowden Medal winner Ric Ellard to counteract the 'Roos centreline dominance and former East Perth champion John McGuire will be



Kalamunda coach Steve Gillespie.

keen to atone for his poor performance against Senior in the second semi-final.

Kalamunda have never won a premiership and since their last grand final appearance they have lamented at the base of the premiership table.

But coach Steve Gillespie has taught Kalamunda how to be competitive and desperate for success in John Todd fashion.

Gillespie spent much of his 201 game league career under Todd and employs many Todd philosophies.

CLASHES

Many fine individual clashes will highlight what will be the climax of the SFL year.

The strength and talent of Gary Armstrong at centre-half-forward opposed to form centre-half-back Alan Crabb and the Taylor-Ellard clash in the middle will be features of the game.

Mick Fuller has been in great form through the finals for Wanneroo and who the Cougars play on him will affect the outcome of the game.

Glen O'Rourke is a likely candidate for Fuller and Dennis O'Rourke looks likely to get the contract of watching crack full-forward Steve Finch.

The Cougars ruck brigade gives height away to big Kevin Dale, who was in good touch last Sunday, but that has not been a problem to them in past encounters.

As a fitting climax to what has been a magnificent year for Sunday football, this game will attract a big crowd for an even encounter.

RADIO COVER

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The 1984 Bowden Medal winner Ric Ellard, (left) from Kalamunda shares his proud moment with the medal donor Dr Wallace Bowden after last week's count at the Willetton Sportsmen's club.

Bowden Medal to Ellard

KALAMUNDA champion centre-man Ric Ellard takes the pressure of being Sunday Football's best and fairest player for 1984 into this Sunday's grand final.

Ellard collected the Dr Wallace Bowden Medal last Thursday night with 27 votes to win by 10 votes from Applecross rover Mark Harding.

Harding finished second on countback from former Claremont ruckman Robert Poepjes and Fremantle winger George Ford.

Ellard is sure to be the centre of attention from opposing mid-fielders and WAFL clubs that should be anxious to obtain his services for the 1985 season.

The 22-year-old Ellard tried unsuccessfully to get a game with Swan Districts before returning to Kalamunda as part of their determined drive to win a premiership.

The Kalamunda Cougars go into this week's Sunday Football League grand final seeking their first premiership title against the powerful Wanneroo side. Ellard will play a vital role in the Cougars' attempts to win the flag, when he takes on the skilful and finals-hardened Paul Taylor.

Ellard's form has been brilliant all year and a feature of the way he won the Bowden medal was his consistency in polling votes and that he polled best in tough games.

He polled in 11 of the 16 qualifying games and collected seven best on ground

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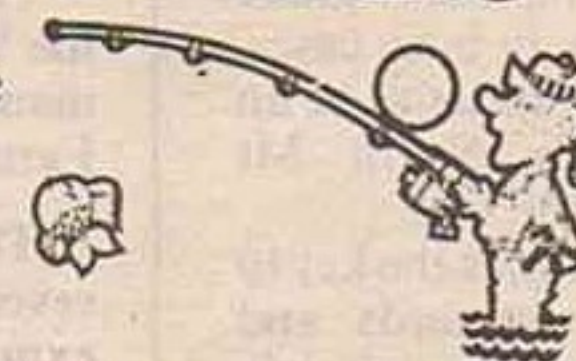
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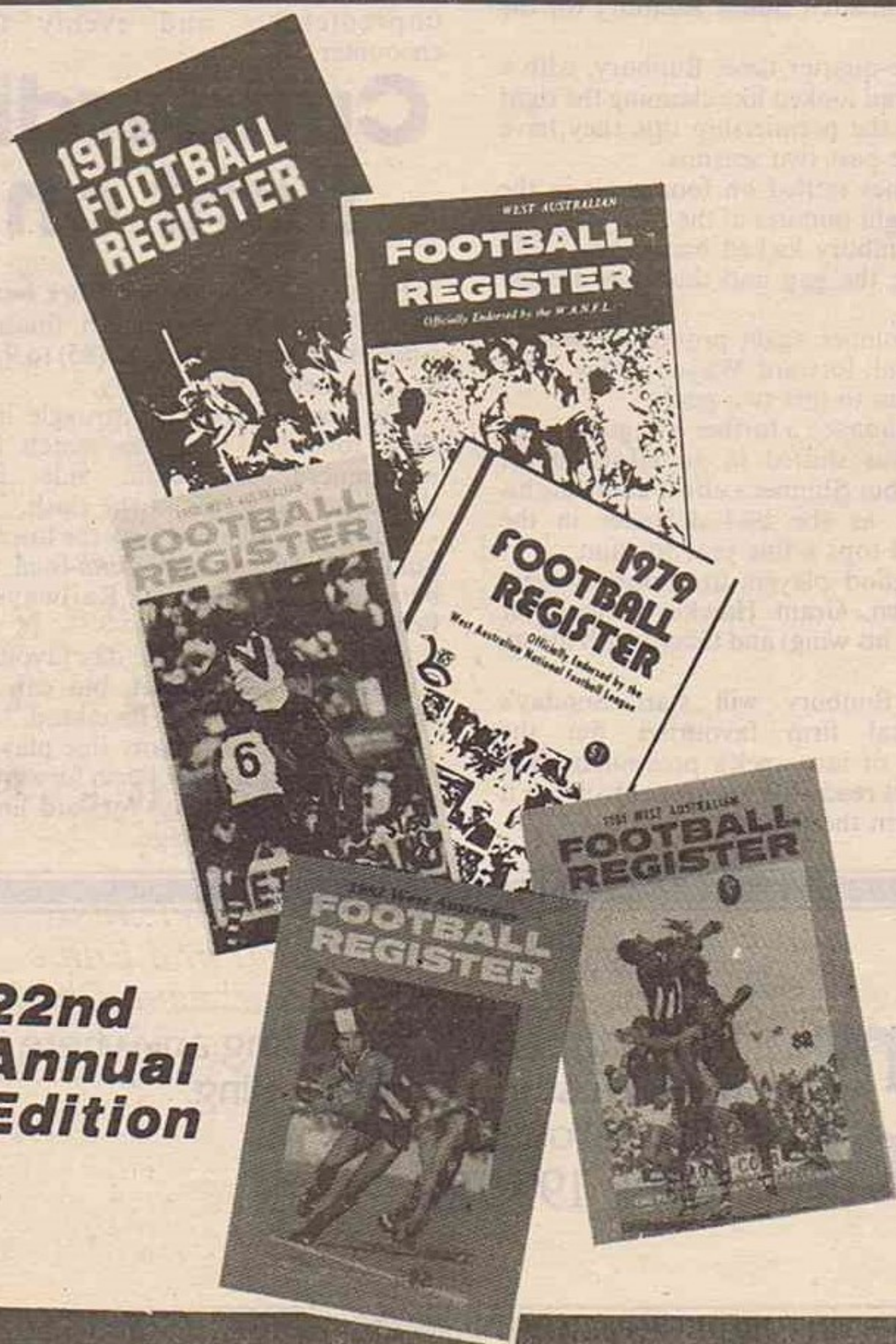


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Railways out of Southern final round

RAILWAYS continued their frustrating run in the Southern Districts NFL finals series when they went down to a more-desperate Royals in the preliminary final last Sunday.

Railways stormed to a three-goal lead in the opening minutes of the game but failed to go on with their strong start, going down 7.9 (51) to Royals' 11.10 (76).

Royals again gained tremendous service from Don Nesbitt, John Boccamozzo, Geoff Simpson and Wayne Turpin.

After more than 30 mm of rain overnight, the match was played in very wet and slippery conditions and the lack of experience in the Railways side proved a telling factor in the end result.

Railways were well served by defenders Ray Barker and Brian Woods, while Gerry Benstead was a busy player around the ground.

It is a disappointing end for Railways, who started the finals series at the head of the premiership table.

They could gain consolation when their two lower grades contest the minor grand finals this Sunday and are favoured to win.

Railways opponents in the minor grade finals will be North Albany in both cases.

The league grand final promises to be an enthralling encounter with North Mt Barker favoured to clinch the title.

North's solid defence looms as the key to their hopes and Royals forwards and followers will need to be at the peak if they are to claim the 1984 flag.

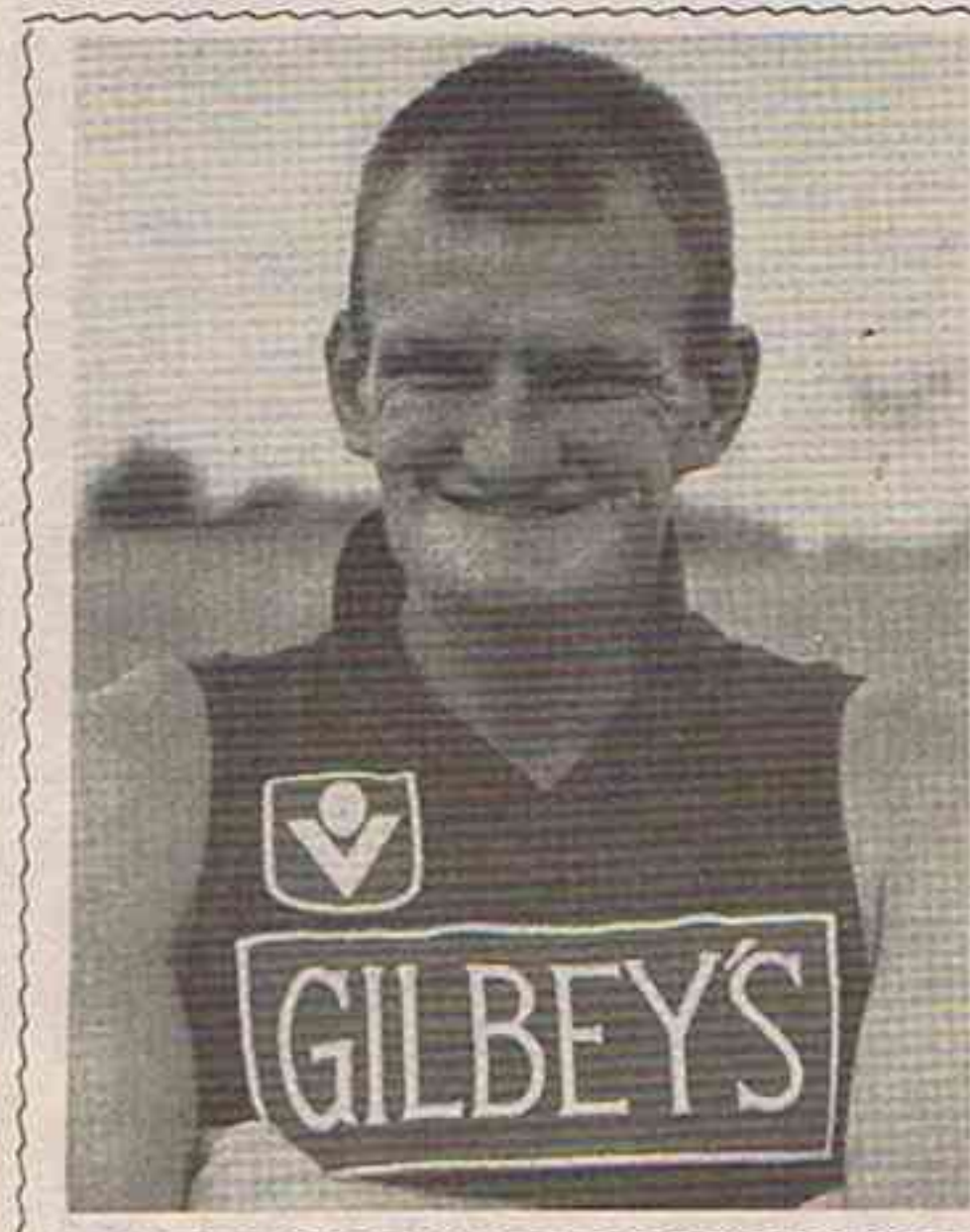
TOM PRICE ARE PREMIERS

TOM PRICE won the Fortescue NFL grand final last Saturday when they beat the Paraburdoo Demons 14.13 (97) to 11.20 (86).

The Demons will regret their poor kicking for goal with their high tally of points, but nothing can be taken away from Tom Price's win.

The clash was keenly observed by the West Perth Football Club's general manager Graeme Pleydell and Clinton Farmer, coach of the reserves side.

The two paid close attention to several young players in the game and expressed their pleasure at the high standard of play throughout the game.



JACKO IN BUNBURY

THE Clown prince of football, Mark Jackson, is coming to WA and will extensively cover the country areas in a series of sportsmen's nights and special appearances.

Jacko, as he more affectionately known to football fans Australia wide, will be in Bunbury next Friday at the Highway Hotel at 8pm.

It promises to be a great night and tickets are available at any of the South West NFL clubs or the Highway Hotel.

Jackson is one of the most sought after football personalities in Australia and should be well worth seeing in his true comical self.

MINES SURVIVE TIGHT FINAL

MINES Rovers survived a desperate and hard-fought South West NFL preliminary final when they beat Bunbury by two points at Hands Oval last Sunday.

Mines now face premiership favourites South Bunbury at Hands Oval this Sunday in what promises to be a tough grand final.

Typical finals pressure was a feature of last Sunday's clash and it was Mines who finally fell over the line 15.12 (102) to Bunbury's 14.16 (100).

Bunbury will be kicking themselves for their early inaccuracy when they booted 1.6 in the first quarter with the aid of a slight breeze.

Although Bunbury full-forward Dave Gaunt weighed in with a useful contribution of six goals, he missed two easy shots from 25 metres that proved costly in the final analysis.

Mines again gained great service from crack recruits Mick Rea and Ross Prunster.

The former Perth and West Perth pair will play a major role if Mines are to seriously threaten South Bunbury for the 1984 title.

At three-quarter time, Bunbury, with a 22-point lead looked like claiming the right to defend the premiership title they have won in the past two seasons.

But Mines rattled on four goals in the opening eight minutes of the final term and though Bunbury kicked back, they could not bridge the gap and time was against them.

Mick Shinner again proved the winner over ace full-forward Wayne Coles when he kept him to just two goals.

Coles managed a further two goals when Shinner was shifted in an effort to lift Bunbury, but Shinner's effort confirms his reputation as the best defender in the league and tops a fine year for him.

Other good players for Bunbury were Barry Allen, Grant Hawkes (who never gave in on his wing) and Gaunt with his six goals.

South Bunbury will start Sunday's grand final firm favourites but the toughness of last week's preliminary will have Mines ready for whatever challenge it takes to win the flag.

Towns show their skill

TOWNS produced a skilful brand of finals football to claim a place in the Great Northern NFL preliminary final when they easily accounted for Northampton in Geraldton last week 15.13 (103) to 10.13 (73).

Northampton have suffered from a loss of form at the wrong end of the season and were never in the hunt to prevent Towns maintaining their hopes of a grand final appearance.

Towns coach David Williams will pay particular attention to the Mullewa-Railways clash this week when the two meet in the second semi-final.

Towns confront the loser next week in a preliminary final that promises to be an unpredictable and evenly fought encounter.

Cunderdin fight on

CUNDERDIN bowled York out of the Avon Football Association finals series when they beat them 12.13 (85) to 9.13 (67) at Kellerberrin last Sunday.

York were forced to struggle into the final four but were no match for the experienced Cunderdin side in the desperate last stages of the clash.

Cunderdin will now play the loser of this Sunday's big second semi-final match between Northam's Railways and Brookton.

Railways will start the day favourites to go into the grand final, but can expect fierce opposition from Brookton.

Both sides boast many fine players but the presence of former Perth forward Mick Morris in the Railways forward line gives them a slight advantage.

LAURIE RICHARDS IN COMEBACK

FORMER West Perth and VFL star Laurie Richards produced the surprise of the Upper Great Southern NFL season when he led Railways to a strong qualifying final win over Williams last Sunday.

Richards had played just one reserves game for the club this season. But he turned in a brilliant four-quarter effort to help Railways claim a second semi-final berth against Pingelly this week.

A former coach of Railways, Richards travelled to Darwin with the WA veteran side recently and produced some brilliant form in the centre of the ground.

Railways completely outclassed the more fancied Williams to win, 11.14 (80) to 7.7 (49).

Other good players for Railways were Mal Perry and Greg Fletcher, while Barry Miller, Glen Ford and Steve Gillett were better players for an injury stricken Williams.

Williams must regroup to face Wagin after their hard fought victory over Lake Grace last Saturday.

Played in atrocious weather conditions, Wagin kept their grand final hopes through the agency of Gavin Bolt, Greg Stephens and Dean Nalder.

Bolt is favoured to add the UGS fairest and best medal to his already impressive list of triumphs for 1984.

Last week he was named the GWN footballer of the year and celebrated with his best-on-ground performance to see Wagin into this week's first semi-final.

Results of the low scoring elimination final was, Wagin 8.6 (54) to Lake Grace 7.6 (48).

Better players for Lake Grace were Mark and Noel Bairstow, Kim Baker and Dean Carruthers.

DOWERIN INTO GRAND FINAL

DOWERIN turned in a solid four quarter effort to claim a grand final berth ahead of old rivals Goomalling in the Mortlock Football Association last Sunday.

Dowerin booted 18.20 (138) to Goomalling's 11.18 (84) and now must be firm favourites to take the 1984 premiership title.

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Juniors the key at Subiaco

THE success of Subiaco's reserves and colts sides this season is a direct result of a development plan that began with the appointment of former Royals trio Eddie Pitter, Wayne Loxley and Trevor Nisbett.

Pitter, as colts coach, has earned a reputation as one of the best developers of junior footballers in WA. Loxley, as a physical education expert and reserves coach, has grown in stature with the success of the Lions reserves side in 1984.

As a football administrator, Nisbett learned under Claremont's Ron Webster when the pair formed a smooth-working combination at Perth Oval two years ago.

Subiaco embarked on a plan to foster juniors from within their various zones and the results in one season speak volumes for the confidence the Lions have shown in their conviction to carry the plan through.

In 1983 Subiaco's reserves side won just one game and the colts team five.

This season, under Loxley and Pitter, the two lower grades qualified for the finals series winning their respective first semi-final appearances.

Nisbett says that regardless of the league team's place on the premiership table, the plan will prove successful.

The Lions attitude to their respective city and country zones is refreshing, but they have not discounted the need to find key players in order to bolster their senior side.

Subiaco will look to the east in an effort to find a top centre-half-forward.

By **KIM HAGDORN**



• Wayne Loxley

The Lions looked as though they had filled the key attacking spot when they spent time developing 20-year-old Craig McArthur this season.

But the skillful youngster broke down just as he appeared ready to advance into league ranks.

McArthur will be one player to emerge from the long-term plan at Subiaco as positive feedback to the healthy way they are tackling the player-finance war, but still maintain player depth.

Subiaco, like every club, will look to the east for top players. But they will struggle to compete with VFL clubs for the services of good players.



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ANOTHER TAYLOR IN LIONS DEN

SUBIACO colts full-forward Warren Taylor has developed into a reliable spearhead with several strong goalscoring hauls.

Taylor displayed a sound temperament in the cut-throat first semi-final against Claremont, scoring seven goals.

The slightly built six-footer is a fast leading full-forward who has gained the confidence of his team-mates with his recent fine form.

Being physically strong enough to absorb the buffeting in senior football is one aspect that Taylor must work on over the summer months if he is to graduate into reserves football in 1985.

STUDIES FIRST

DEDICATION to his studies has hindered the short term football aspirations of promising Subiaco colts ruck rover Andrew MacNish.

The University of WA law student missed several training sessions mid-season to concentrate on examinations.

Even with these interruptions to his football preparation, MacNish has played well enough to be selected in several reserves matches during the season.

MacNish plays mainly as a ruck-rover or half-forward in the colts, but showed his versatility in the reserves, playing on a half-back-flank.

TIGERISH LION

EVERY football side invariably has several small players who are at the base of packs boring in for the hard ball.

The Subiaco colts players are inspired each week by the courage of pocket-sized rover Brad Metcalf.

The team hasn't a permanent captain, so a different player is given the responsibility of leading the side each week — and it is no surprise that Metcalf has been given this honour on several occasions.

TIGHT FINAL

THE scene is set for an entertaining and close colts preliminary final this Saturday.

East Perth and Subiaco could both justly feel confident of winning this sudden-death contest.

The Lions have been successful in two of the three matches against the Royals this season.

The Lions are fighting fit after a weeks rest, but the Royals showed tremendous spirit in their narrow defeat by South Fremantle last Saturday.

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Think before firing

LEADING Melbourne football critic Ken Piesse has warned the Richmond and Geelong committees to think twice about organising lynching parties for their coaches.

Writing in the Sunday Observer, Piesse said that Mike Patterson and Tom Hafey had achieved considerable success with their respective sides in 1985.

They vied with Essendon as the biggest improvers of the year.

Although both failed to make the five, they won three more games this season than they did last year and, in patches, they produced some magnificent team work.

Both registered big wins over Hawthorn, the reigning premiers and 1984 favourites, and there were other positive signs of improvement.

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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
Richmond 15.17, Nth Melb. 14.9
SANFL — Round 2
Port Adel. 19.17, W. Adel. 11.3
Central Dist. 17.22, Norwood 12.9
Glenelg 16.19, Sturt 13.12
Woodville 12.11, South Adel. 19.21

SUNDAY, APRIL 8

VFL — Round 2
Swans 16.16, Melbourne 13.20
SANFL — Round 2
Nth Adelaide 12.16, W. Torrens 22.9

SATURDAY, APRIL 14

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 9.17, Collingwood 10.16
Richmond 12.14, Essendon 20.15
SANFL — Round 5
W. Adelaide 19.8, Sturt 19.28 (W)
Sth Adelaide 21.12, Norwood 8.13

SATURDAY, APRIL 28

W.A.F.L. — Round 5
S. Fremantle 15.29, Perth 18.8
Swan Dist. 13.13, East Frem 12.14
West Perth 15.19, Claremont 12.21
Subiaco 17.21, East Perth 13.23
VFL — Round 5
Footscray 13.16, Hawthorn 22.9
Nth Melb 16.17, Melbourne 14.14
St Kilda 10.11, Geelong 15.12
SANFL — Round 5
Glenelg 25.23, Woodville 13.17 (W)
Port Adelaide 17.16, West Torrens 11.9
Nth Adelaide 14.4, Central Dist 16.14

SUNDAY, APRIL 29

VFL — Round 5
Swans 17.17, Fitzroy 15.14 (SS)

FRIDAY, MAY 4 (NIGHT)

SANFL — Round 6
Port Adel. 20.14, Norwood 14.7 (W)

SATURDAY, MAY 5

W.A.F.L. — Round 6
West Perth 15.15, Sth Frem. 16.9
Subiaco 15.5, Swan Districts 16.9
Claremont 6.12, East Perth 12.15
E. Fremantle 15.22, Perth 15.13
VFL — Round 6
Hawthorn 11.15, Richmond 17.18 (P)
Carlton 15.14, St Kilda 13.12
Collingwood 15.18, Nth Melb. 12.16
Fitzroy 13.15, Essendon 22.12
Footscray 11.18, Swans 11.11
Melbourne 23.10, Geelong 12.13
SANFL — Round 6
W. Torrens 13.18, Sturt (W) 26.10
Central Dist. 14.12, Sth Adel. 13.17
Glenelg 17.10, W. Adelaide 11.13
N. Adelaide 27.12, Woodville 10.11

SATURDAY, MAY 12

W.A.F.L. — Round 7
S. Fremantle 14.24, Subiaco 11.14
Swan Dist. 17.15, West Perth 18.15
Perth 10.19, Claremont 16.14
E. Perth 23.15, E. Fremantle 14.18 (S)
VFL — Round 7
N. Melb. 14.17, St. Kilda 22.16 (P)
Essendon 12.10, Footscray 16.8
Geelong 11.17, Collingwood 19.14
Hawthorn 20.15, Fitzroy 16.8
Melbourne 16.9, Carlton 18.14
SANFL — Round 7
Pt. Adelaide 22.11, Glenelg 18.15 (W)
Norwood 26.13, West Torrens 17.9
Sturt 24.19, Woodville 18.15
N. Adelaide 12.8, Sth. Adelaide 13.13
W. Adelaide 17.15, Central Dist. 11.16

SUNDAY, MAY 13

VFL — Round 7
Swans 17.20, Richmond 18.21 (SS)

TUESDAY, MAY 15

SANFL 16.8, VFL 16.12 (W)

SATURDAY, MAY 19

W.A.F.L. — Round 8
Claremont 13.13, Sth Frem. 9.12
East Perth 14.8, Swan Dist. 21.20
Perth 11.13, West Perth 16.16 (S)
E. Fremantle 24.16, Subiaco 10.10
VFL — Round 8
Essendon 19.19, Geelong 14.6 (P)
Carlton 12.11, Hawthorn 23.13
Fitzroy 12.9, Melbourne 13.14
N. Melb. 18.19, Swans 19.20
Richmond 15.19, Col'wood 13.17
St Kilda 13.11, Footscray 9.17
SANFL — Round 8
N. Adelaide 22.12, Glenelg 25.15 (W)
Sturt 16.16, Sth Adelaide 24.15
Woodville 22.13, Norwood 22.14

MONDAY, MAY 21

SANFL — Round 8
West Adelaide 7.16, W. Torrens 18.8
Port Adelaide 8.16, Central Dist. 14.12

SATURDAY, MAY 26

W.A.F.L. — Round 9
Swan Dist. 14.11, Sth Frem. 12.15
Subiaco 25.15, West Perth 15.14
E. Fremantle 11.6, Claremont 12.14
East Perth 13.15, Perth 12.15
VFL — Round 9
Footscray 11.15, Melbourne 23.21 (P)
Collingwood 15.19, Fitzroy 11.16
Essendon 16.17, Carlton 9.12
Hawthorn 21.17, Nth Melb. 13.8
Richmond 24.8, St Kilda 12.16
SANFL — Round 9
Central Dist. 18.20, Sturt (W) 16.11
Glenelg 17.20, Norwood 16.7
Port Adel. 23.15, Nth Adel. 19.13
W. Adel. 23.14, Woodville 25.13

SUNDAY, MAY 27

VFL — Round 9
Swans 16.15, Geelong 7.27 (SS)

SANFL — Round 9

W. Torrens 12.12, Sth Adel. 26.18

SATURDAY, JUNE 2

W.A.F.L. — Round 10
S. Districts 12.12, Claremont 12.13
Subiaco 32.12, Perth 15.12
VFL — Round 10
St. Kilda 11.17, Fitzroy 22.15 (P)
Footscray 15.10, Col'wood 13.17
Geelong 17.11, Hawthorn 11.14
Melbourne 15.13, Richmond 11.10
N. Melb. 15.16, Essendon 16.12

SANFL — Round 10

W. Adel. 15.17, N. Adel. 19.14
Central Dist. 17.10, Glenelg 17.12
Norwood 15.20, Sturt 13.10
W. Torrens 19.20, Woodville 15.13

SUNDAY, JUNE 3

VFL — Round 10
Swans 12.15, Carlton 20.19 (SS)

SANFL — Round 10

S. Adelaide 18.9, Port Adel. 17.13

MONDAY, JUNE 4

W.A.F.L. — Round 10
West Perth 11.12, East Perth 10.10
S. Frem. 24.27, East Frem. 15.14

SATURDAY, JUNE 9

W.A.F.L. 14.14, SANFL 14.13
(No local WAFL and SANFL fixtures)
VFL — Round 11
Essendon 20.15, Swans 14.10
St. Kilda 13.13, Melbourne 19.13
Richmond 16.15, Geelong 17.21
MONDAY, JUNE 11
VFL — Round 11
Fitzroy 25.16, N. Melb. 23.14
Carlton 22.11, Footscray 16.13
Collingwood 14.8, Hawthorn 18.16
SANFL — Round 11
Sturt 18.15, N. Adelaide 16.21
S. Adelaide 14.14, Glenelg 15.15
W. Torrens 12.17, C. Dist. 19.10
W. Adelaide 14.20, Norwood 15.11
Woodville 16.10, Port Adel. 27.12

FRIDAY, JUNE 15 (NIGHT)

SANFL — Round 12
S. Adelaide 6.19, W. Adelaide 8.10 (W)

SATURDAY, JUNE 16

W.A.F.L. — Round 11
Perth 16.12, Swan Dist. 12.23
Claremont 13.17, Subiaco 17.15
S. Fremantle 18.10, East Perth 18.18
West Perth 14.15, E. Frem. 23.13 (S)
VFL — Round 12
Carlton 9.13, Fitzroy 10.12 (P)
Footscray 13.11, Geelong 10.13
Hawthorn 12.21, Essendon 6.10
Melbourne 21.17, Swans 5.16
N. Melbourne 14.10, Richmond 16.14
St. Kilda 11.6, Collingwood 11.12

SANFL — Round 12

Sturt 11.17, P. Adelaide 20.6 (W)
Central Dist. 17.15, Woodville 19.8
Glenelg 27.19, West Torrens 17.10
N. Adelaide 12.15, Norwood 16.9

SATURDAY, JUNE 23

W.A.F.L. — Round 12
Perth 19.13, Sth Fremantle 16.24
E. Fremantle 23.12, Swan Dist. 16.18
West Perth 21.10, Claremont (S) 9.14
East Perth 17.15, Subiaco 15.15
VFL — Round 13
Footscray 11.11, Nth Melb. 9.8 (P)
Collingwood 12.17, Essendon 19.9
Geelong 4.17, Carlton 10.18
Hawthorn 13.12, Melbourne 15.17
Richmond 11.15, Fitzroy 14.14

SANFL — Round 13

P. Adelaide 18.10, W. Torrens 12.8 (W)
Glenelg 18.18, Woodville 13.17
Norwood 16.14, Sth Adelaide 7.12
N. Adelaide 3.11, Central Dist. 11.13

SUNDAY, JUNE 24

VFL — Round 13
Swans 15.11, St Kilda 19.12 (SS)

SANFL — Round 13

Sturt 15.10, West Adelaide 26.16

SATURDAY, JUNE 30

W.A.F.L. — Round 13
S. Frem. 20.17, West Perth 16.12 (S)
Swan Dist. 22.19, Subiaco 6.10
East Perth 12.10, Claremont 19.15
Perth 11.13, East Frem. 19.17
VFL — Round 14
Essendon 14.15, Melbourne 7.15 (P)
Carlton 23.14, Richmond 4.13
Footscray 13.13, Fitzroy 11.11
N. Melbourne 16.11, Geelong 19.11
St Kilda 4.6, Hawthorn 19.20
SANFL — Round 14
S. Adel. 39.16, Woodville 19.14 (W)
P. Adelaide 22.14, West Adel. 15.9
Sturt 21.14, Glenelg 27.15
W. Torrens 23.12, Nth Adel. 18.11

SUNDAY, JULY 1

VFL — Round 14
Swans 14.16, Cl'wood 19.17 (SS)

SANFL — Round 14

Central Dist. 26.15, Norwood 12.4

FRIDAY, JULY 6 (NIGHT)

SANFL — Round 15
N. Adel. 20.12, Woodville 16.13 (W)

SATURDAY, JULY 7

W.A.F.L. — Round 14
Subiaco 10.17, S. Frem 15.15
West Perth 18.11, S. Dist. 11.19
Claremont 13.17, Perth 6.16
E. Frem. 10.15, East Perth 8.8
VFL — Round 15
Collingwood 9.16, Carlton 14.13 (P)
Essendon 14.10, Richmond 7.19
Fitzroy 9.14, Swans 14.12
Geelong 15.12, St Kilda 13.11
Hawthorn 15.14, Footscray 10.16
Melbourne 18.9, N. Melb. 10.14
SANFL — Round 15
Norwood 19.7, Pt. Adel. 13.11 (W)
S. Adelaide 17.16, Central Dist. 10.11
Sturt 12.16, West Torrens 25.16
W. Adelaide 14.13, Glenelg 17.15

SATURDAY, JULY 14

W.A.F.L. — Round 15
S. Fremantle 23.26, Claremont 13.8
Swan Districts 22.18, East Perth 18.10
West Perth 17.19, Perth 10.13
Subiaco 22.11, East Frem. 16.13
VFL — Round 16
Richmond 14.13, Hawthorn 28.17 (P)
Essendon 20.7, Fitzroy 9.12

SANFL — Round 16

Central Dist. 24.23, W. Adel. 11.16 (W)
S. Adelaide 7.18, N. Adelaide 23.12
P. Adelaide 18.9, Glenelg 13.14
W. Torrens 15.12, Norwood 15.18

SUNDAY, JULY 15

VFL — Round 16
Swans 16.17, Footscray 12.15 (SS)

SANFL — Round 16

Woodville 17.16, Sturt 15.10

TUESDAY, JULY 17

WA 21.16, VFL 21.12

FRIDAY, JULY 20 (Night)

SANFL — Round 17
Central District 24.13, Sturt 16.18

SATURDAY, JULY 21

W.A.F.L. — Round 16
Claremont 13.15, S. Districts 25.15 (S)
East Perth 19.15, West Perth 18.17
Perth 16.16, Subiaco 20.15
E. Fremantle 23.5, S. Fremantle 16.16
VFL — Round 16
Geelong 20.10, Melbourne 15.18
N. Melb. 14.17, Collingwood 21.20
St. Kilda 16.9, Carlton 13.6
SANFL — Round 17
P. Adelaide 12.8, N. Adelaide 24.12 (W)
S. Adelaide 18.14, West Torrens 12.15
Norwood 18.2, Glenelg 14.15
W. Adelaide 29.16, Woodville 23.10

SATURDAY, JULY 28

W.A.F.L. — Round 17
S. Fremantle 17.19, Swan Dist. 21.15
West Perth 15.12, Subiaco 18.17
Claremont 19.18, E. Frem. 15.17 (S)
Perth 24.19, East Perth 16.10
VFL — Round 17
St Kilda 5.12, N. Melb 5.14 (P)
Carlton 7.10, Melbourne 3.8
Collingwood 6.19, Geelong 4.5
Fitzroy 11.11, Hawthorn 10.7
Footscray 3.14, Essendon 4.10
Richmond 12.19, Swans 3.10
SANFL — Round 18
W. Adelaide 27.14, Torrens 18.18 (W)
S. Adelaide 23.10, Sturt 11.19
Central Dist. 12.9, Port Adel. 15.13
Norwood 25.10, Woodville 14.9

SUNDAY, JULY 29

SANFL — Round 18
Glenelg 19.14, Nth Adel. 19.11

SATURDAY, AUGUST 4

W.A.F.L. — Round 18
Swan Districts 21.16, Perth 13.8 (S)
Claremont 15.18, Subiaco 15.10
East Perth 22.7, Sth. Fremantle 16.16
E. Fremantle 24.9, West Perth 16.14
VFL — Round 18
Geelong 12.17, Essendon 19.22 (P)
Collingwood 19.14, Richmond 12.20
Footscray 16.16, St. Kilda 11.13
Hawthorn 21.14, Carlton 16.12
Melbourne 17.18, Fitzroy 22.20

SANFL — Round 19

S. Adelaide 10.10, Pt. Adelaide 10.6 (W)
N. Adelaide 21.13, West Adelaide 8.15

SUNDAY, AUGUST 5

VFL — Round 18
Swans 17.6, Nth. Melbourne 18.15 (SS)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 11

W.A.F.L. — Round 19
S. Fremantle 24.19, Perth 8.10
Swan Dist. 23.15, E. Frem. 17.14
Claremont 11.18, West Perth 9.20
Subiaco 19.10, East Perth 21.11
VFL — Round 19
Fitzroy 14.19, Col'wood 9.7 (P)
Carlton 12.18, Essendon 15.12
Geelong 16.17, Swans 14.8
Melbourne 15.13, Footscray 20.15
N. Melbourne 17.20, Hawthorn 7.9
St Kilda 11.15, Richmond 10.14

SANFL — Round 19

Central Dist., 9.9 Glenelg 15.14 (W)
Sturt 14.11, Norwood 13.9
Woodville 11.10, W. Torrens 13.24

SATURDAY, AUGUST 18

W.A.F.L. — Round 20
West Perth 15.16, Sth Fremantle 13.16
Subiaco 17.21, Swan Districts 22.10
Claremont 15.11, East Perth 13.16
E. Fremantle 16.14, Perth 8.9
VFL — Round 20
Richmond 12.13, Footscray 9.11 (P)
Carlton 16.15, Nth. Melb. 14.14
Essendon 22.6, St Kilda 13.5
Fitzroy 20.11, Geelong 14.9
Melbourne 9.17, Collingwood 15.13

SANFL — Round 20

W. Torrens 12.14, Cent. Dist. 14.17 (W)
Glenelg 15.7, Sth Adelaide 13.8
Sturt 11.8, Nth Adelaide 7.9
Woodville 5.6, Port Adelaide 8.8

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19

SANFL — Round 20
Norwood 19.13, West Adelaide 8.8
VFL — Round 20
Swans 11.19, Hawthorn 25.24 (SS)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24 (NIGHT)

SANFL — Round 21
Glenelg 9.14, W. Torrens 8.8 (W)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25

W.A



East Fremantle's Shane Ellis gets front berth ahead of Swans Mick Johns.

WAFL

WAFL — 2nd SEMI FINAL

EAST FREMANTLE	2.2	10.8	11.11	15.12	102
SWAN DISTRICTS	2.5	4.7	6.11	10.16	76

SCORERS: EAST FREMANTLE: Bennett 7.1; Taylor 3.0; Kickett 1.3; Waterson 1.2; Wrensted, Houtt, Kerr 1.1; Wilson 0.2; Wake 0.1. SWAN DISTRICTS: Richardson 3.1; Hutton 2.2; Holmes 2.1; Narkle, Boucher 1.1; Skwirowski 1.0; Caton 0.2; Kimberley, Sartori, Shine, Johns, Neesham, Rance 0.1; forced 0.2.

BEST: EAST FREMANTLE: Browning, Alexander, Bennett, Ellis, Forman, Wrensted. SWAN DISTRICTS: Neesham, Narkle, Solin, Richardson, Fogarty, Johns.

UMPIRES: R. Buckley, R. Salis. Swan Districts won toss and kicked to eastern end. Free-kicks: EAST FREMANTLE: 5, 5, 3, — 16; out-of-bounds 3; 15 metres 3. SWAN DISTRICTS: 8, 4, 6, 4 — 22; out-of-bounds 3; 15 metres 4. Played at Subiaco Oval, attendance

HOW THEY LINED UP

EAST FREMANTLE: Backs: Harding, Forman, Christie. Half-backs: Brennan, Browning, Ellis. Centres: Kickett, Green, Rankin. Half-forwards: Wrensted, Waterson, Wilson. Forwards: Houtt, Bennett, Turco. Rucks: Alexander, Kerr, Taylor. Interchange: Wake, Nolan.

SWAN DISTRICTS: Backs: Ware, Mullooly, Hetherington. Half-backs: Solin, Rance, Skwirowski. Centres: Narkle, Neesham, Richardson. Half-forwards: Outridge, Sartori, Kimberley. Forwards: Holmes, Hutton, Boucher. Rucks: Johns, Langford, Shine. Interchange: Fogarty, Caton.

WAFL RESERVES — 2nd Semi Final

SOUTH FREMANTLE	5.10	9.15	17.22	23.27	165
CLAREMONT	3.3	7.5	10.7	13.12	90

GOALS: SOUTH FREMANTLE: Stasinowsky 6; Keyser 4; Hardman 3; Dellar, Dobson, Maskos 2; Hutcheson, O'Donnell, Begg, McGilvray 1. CLAREMONT: Rakich 4; Martin, Farmer 3; Court, Irvin, Barns 1.

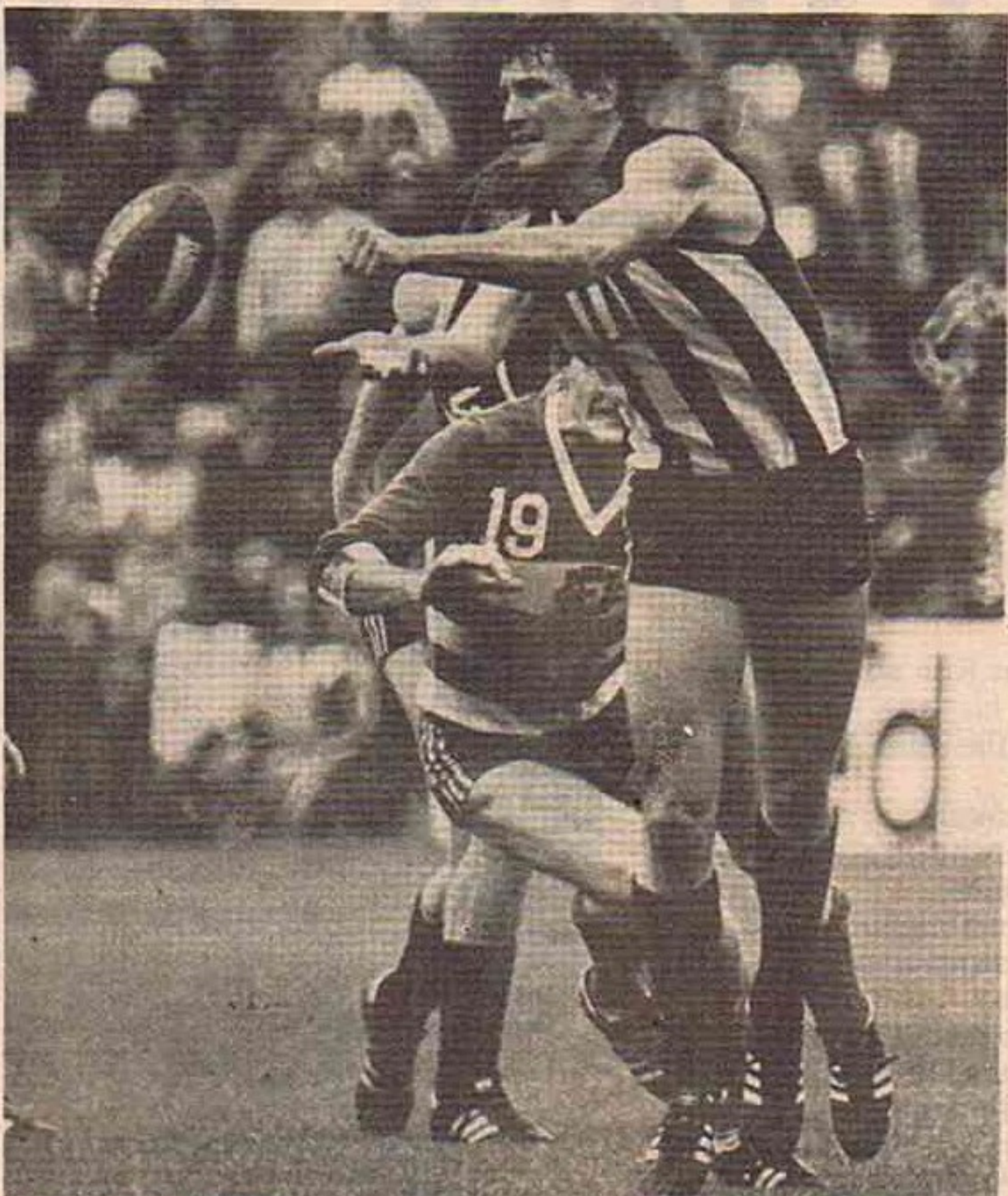
BEST: SOUTH FREMANTLE: Keyser, Jakovich, McGilvray, Collard, Lynch, Stasinowsky. CLAREMONT: Rakich, Williamson, Winning, Court, Martin, Gomm.

WAFL COLTS — 2nd SEMI FINAL

SOUTH FREMANTLE	1.2	4.4	8.9	9.13	67
EAST PERTH	1.1	3.1	6.4	8.4	52

GOALS: SOUTH FREMANTLE: Jakovich 5; Rowe 3; D. Collard 1. EAST PERTH: Starcevic 2; Gianakkis, Bell, Dikolli, Lewis, Ward, Ninnette 1.

BEST: SOUTH FREMANTLE: Graham, Worsfold, Todd. EAST PERTH: Starcevic, Ninnette, Bettini.



Swans' Don Langsford clears despite pressure from Sharks Peter Wilson.

VFL

VFL QUALIFYING FINAL

Saturday, September 8

HAWTHORN	6.3	9.8	14.11	18.14	122
CARLTON	3.3	5.7	10.11	13.14	92

GOALS: HAWTHORN: Matthews 6; Judge 3; Dipierdomenico, McCarthy, Byrne, Cronan 2; Langford 1. CARLTON: Ralph 8; Murphy 3; MacLure 2.

BEST: HAWTHORN: Byrne, Greene, Matthews, Dipierdomenico, Lester-Smith, Mew. CARLTON: Ralph, Meldrum, Doull, MacLure, Murphy, Marcou. Played at VFL Park, attendance 55,947.

VFL ELIMINATION FINAL

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

COLLINGWOOD	5.2	8.4	13.8	23.15	153
FITZROY	5.3	8.9	11.16	15.17	107

GOALS: COLLINGWOOD: Williams 6; McMullin 5; Richardson 3; Abernathy, Cloke 2; Andrews, G. Shaw, Dalcos, Millane, N. Shaw 1. FITZROY: Quinlan 3; Pert, Lokan, Sidebottom, Scott, Osborne 2; Rendell, Wilson 1.

BEST: COLLINGWOOD: Phillips, Fellowes, A. Shaw, Williams, McMullin, Raines. FITZROY: Rendell, Gotch, Burke, Lokan, Osborne, Peart. Played at MCG, attendance 73,994.



HAWTHORN captain Leigh Matthews kicked six goals last Saturday as his Hawks, steamrolled into this weekend's second semi final against premiers favourites Essendon. Matthews had three opponents, the best of them being Carlton and former Claremont player Wayne Blackwell who is pictured here tackling the veteran Hawk.

SANFL

SANFL ELIMINATION FINAL

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

NORWOOD	4.4	9.6	13.8	21.11	137
SOUTH ADELAIDE	3.1	5.5	11.15	12.18	90

GOALS: NORWOOD: Aish, Roberts 7; K. Thomas, Michalanne 2; Scanlon, Kelly, Payne 1. SOUTH ADELAIDE: Cornes 3; Harris, Slattery 2; Naley, Martin, Carty, Darren, Kappler, Schneebichler 1.

BEST: NORWOOD: Aish, Gallagher, Roberts, Jarvis, K. Thomas, McIntosh, Balme. SOUTH ADELAIDE: Dewhurst, Naley, D. Hewitt, Bennett, G. Hewitt, Schneebichler, Darren Kappler, David Kappler. Played at Football Park.

SANFL QUALIFYING FINAL

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

GLENELG	4.4	11.7	16.10	19.17	131
CENTRAL DISTRICT	5.2	7.3	9.10	12.11	83

GOALS: GLENELG: Hall 6; Copp ing 3; Kernahan, Marshall, Holst 2; Stringer, Carey, Kidney, Motlop 1. CENTRAL DISTRICT: Platten 4; Connelly 3; Moulds 2; Graham, Fraser, Prior 1.

BEST: GLENELG: Carey, Kernahan, Hall, Marshall, Symons. CENTRAL: Platten, Cousins, Connelly, Graham, Moulds. Played at Football Park, attendance 21,514.

TASMANIA

TANFL — Second semi final

CLARENCE	0.3	2.5	6.9	11.12	78
GLENORCHY	2.8	5.9	6.10	7.1	52

GOALS: CLARENCE: Adams 4; Dutton 3; Rogers 2; Neville, Riewoldt 1. GLENORCHY: Davidson 4; Shaw, Balcombe, Boniwell. BEST: CLARENCE: Dutton, Noye, Riewoldt, Rogers. GLENORCHY: Linton, Dykes, Curley, Webster.

NNTA — First semi final

LONGFORD	4.4	10.8	14.10	21.12	138
CITY	5.7	11.12	15.17	19.21	135

GOALS: LONGFORD: Donnellan 8; Dakin Prewer 3; Archer 2; Baker, Berne, McGee, Murphy, Reinmuth. CITY: Proctor 5; D. Sheppard 3; Greening, Beaumont, Egan 2; Bayes, S. Sheppard, Hateley, Prior, Claxton 1. BEST: LONGFORD: Archer, Donnellan, Smyth, Schugg. CITY: D. Sheppard, Proctor, Beaumont, Bayes.

NNTA — Second semi final

LAUNCESTON 22.11 (143) d SCOTSDALE 12.8 (80)
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GOALS: LAUNCESTON: Kremerskothen 5; Pickett 4; Cooke, O'Donoghue 3; Stoward, Atkins 2; Davies, Thurlow, Burke 1. SCOTSDALE: Kerrison, Nichols 4; Hall, Woodard, McCarthy, Lethborg 1. BEST: LAUNCESTON: Kremerskothen, O'Donoghue, Woolley, Ellis. SCOTSDALE: Dennis, Claridge, Gillespie, Kerrison.

NWFU — First semi final

COOEE 22.8 (140) d DEVONPORT 16.12 (108)
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GOALS: COOEE: Beaumont 5; Sheppard, Youd, Bellinger, Templeton, Docking 2; Hudson, Plant, Keygan, Barker, Mundy 1. DEVONPORT: Perry, Keygan 3; Caryl, Gilham, Lyons 2; Brown, Cox, Sullivan 1. BEST: COOEE: Templeton, Burley, Sheppard, Beaumont, Devonport, Perry, Baker, Carey, Keygan.

NWFU — Second semi final

SMITHTON 20.10 (130) d PENGUIN 13.15 (93)

GOALS: SMITHTON: Maguire 9; Loring 3; Korpershoek, Coombe 2; Buckley, Billing, McMullen, 1. PENGUIN: Clarke 5; B. Fielding 2; C. Fielding, Wilcox, Lavelle, Cole, T. French, P. French 1. BEST: SMITHTON: Maguire, Newman, Loring, Parsons. PENGUIN: Clarke, Fielding, Hennessy, Barrett.

VFA

First semi final

First grade: Preston 17.19 (121) d Geelong West 10.26 (86). Division 2: Preliminary final: Oakleigh 26.15 (171) d Brunswick 16.18 (114).

VFL RESERVES

Qualifying final: Carlton 27.11 (173) d Hawthorn 13.5 (83). Elimination final: Collingwood 22.19 (151) d Fitzroy 16.10 (106).

BRISBANE

Grand Final

COORPAROO	7.5	11.12	15.14	18.12	130
MORNINGSIDE	0.2	0.7	3.11	5.4	44

GOALS: COORPAROO: Dunstall 7; Becker 5; Askin 3; McMullen, I. Miller, Delany 1. MORNINGSIDE: Blair, Newton, Durward, Calle, Barwick. BEST: COORPAROO: Becker, O'Neill, Page, Dunstall, O'Keefe, Pendrick, Jones, Pyne. MORNINGSIDE: Calle, Reeves, Neeson, Durward.

SYDNEY

Second semi final

East Sydney: 14.8 (92) (P. Stillman 4; P. Stanton 3; P. Bounader 2; N. Ward, G. Down, E. Corvino, P. Read, W. Goss) d North Shore 13.11 (89) (K. Curran 2; P. Sullivan, P. Carr, G. Payne, Jendrie 2; D. Batty, D. Batchelor, D. Dignan).

CANBERRA

First semi final

EASTLAKE 6.12 (60) d MANUKA 8.7 (55)

GOALS: EASTLAKE: Miller 3; Carman, Rickman, Fellows, Yates, Southwell 1. MANUKA: Maiden, McClelland, O'Shaughnessy 2; Bennett, Pini 1. BEST: EASTLAKE: Overland, Miller, Mickelson, Harper, Rickman. MANUKA: O'Shaughnessy, Clowry, Harris, Franklin, B. Kane.

GOALS: AINSLIE: Angelis 4; Miller, McCormick, Stone 2; Wilson, Osborne, Tutt. QUEANBEYAN: Wharton 3; Williamson 2; Wynd, Hemming, M. Taylor, R. Imrie, B. Fort 1. BEST: AINSLIE: A. Smith, Stewart, I. Taylor, Marshall, Muir. QUEANBEYAN: Harrold, Deebie, I. Bowyer, Wharton, Wynd.

SUNDAY LEAGUE

Preliminary final

Wanneroo 23.9 (G. Hyde, A. Crabb, G. Rich) d Kenwick 13.6 (W. Ogg, A. Jago, G. Walter). Reserves: Canning 12.9 (E. Fitzgerald, G. Green, A. Vines) d Willetton 11.5 (P. O'Donnell, J. Vost, C. O'Brien).

WORLD OF SPORT

Sundays from 9am

IT'S STILL SWANS FOR ME!



HAVING tipped Swan Districts to win their third premiership pre-season, I am still sticking to my prediction despite their dismal performance last Saturday.

There is no doubt that they were outplayed by a more desperate and disciplined East Fremantle team and full credit must go to Ron Alexander and his Sharks.

I base my selection of Swan Districts on the following game facts:

- The Sharks were the underdogs with very little support from the media and football followers.

Swans, on the other hand, were short-priced favourites, which restricted coach John Todd's pre-game moves. All coaches like to come from the underdog position generally as tactically you can pull the biggest surprises.

The Sharks did this last Saturday and every move was a success. To do it again from the position of favourite is harder.

- The Sharks physically shattered Swans in a torrid first quarter. This tactic has been used so successfully by Swans in previous finals, but Saturday they were on the receiving end.

Hard, ferocious body work comes from individual attitude. Too many Swans players did not realise the ferocity with which the Sharks were prepared to attack the ball.

Players like Mario Turco and Peter Wilson showed how desperate they were

YOU CAN'T WRITE THEM OFF YET



with several fierce body classes especially against Barry Kimberley and Kim Hetherington.

- The Sharks won the game in the second quarter with a great team display. But I was amazed at the lack of initiative shown by Swans' key players.

Tough man Ron Boucher won his share of knocks, but they were all placed in the same area, where the Sharks small men were waiting.

Stephen Green took the Boucher knock on three occasions, all resulting in goals.

Swans players didn't change their approach or show any urgency. I'm sure they didn't believe it was going to happen until it was too late.

Swans' players didn't even attempt to do the first obvious move — "man up" and try to halve the ball. I have seen Swans many times this season and never have I seen them show so much lethargy in organising

the key to modern football, the centre bounce down.

- The hero of last year's finals was Peter Sartori; but last Saturday he was non-existent.

Surely early in the second quarter he could have shown leadership and moved into the centre to "arrest" the Shark attack and goal orgy.

Sartori is rated by Todd as the best player he has coached so, it is hard to believe the little effect he had on the game.

- The Sharks' defence completely thrashed the Swans forwards, especially brilliant young forward Brent Hutton, who has the capacity, like Darren Bennett, to win a game with his individual effort.

- Except for the second quarter, Swans outscored the Sharks. When you take this into account — and what I have stated earlier — Swans experience, pride, enthusiasm and urgency can resurge to stop the Sharks from dominating one quarter.

FIRST STEP

CHANNEL 7 must be congratulated on their efforts to upgrade the Sunday football show.

They have taken the show to the people and although there is still a long way to go before it will attract the viewers, Channel 7 believe that nothing ventured is nothing gained.

It would be an excellent idea for the Channel 7 producers to invite a mixture of football people over the summer months, to sit down and discuss how the Sunday show could be improved.

One suggestion I believe would add great interest, is to interview all coaches every week.

The coach is the person all football supporters like to see and, more importantly hear his reasons for the team's performance.

For this to happen the Board of Directors at the WAFL have to make it compulsory for every coach to attend; failure to do so would bring a fine to the club.

I realise coaches have enough to do. But promotion of our game is the key reason for their involvement. Football needs television to grow, so every person in the game has a responsibility to assist.

FUTURE CHAMP

MICHAEL Brennan will be a champion — that's a big statement to make at this young player's early age.

But after watching him for several seasons, he impresses me as much as any young player in the WAFL.

The way he plays, never giving an inch and always attacking the ball, shows the maturity of a much older player.

Saturday's game against the Swans reinforced my opinion about Brennan's potential. His ability to cut players out of the game in an unobtrusive manner is something to watch.



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Dorro's Diary



By Grant Dorrington

YOU HAVE TO ADMIRE 'ROO

JOHN Todd's decision to play Swans big man Ron Boucher has brought criticism from many supporters and media.

When you consider that Boucher was in the same situation in last year's grand final and Swans won, very few people criticised the gamble then.

It was obvious that Ron was not fit, but watching him give his best you had to admire the "heart" this man has for the game.

He has had to maintain his interest and enthusiasm all year while he made very effort to overcome injury.

To continually attend training and never make any excuses, displays the love this giant has for his club.

Boucher may have played his last league game as he has indicated he will retire. But in the minds of all football followers, he will always be remembered as one of the real "tough" men of Australian Rules and a player who gave 100% to his club every week.



Ron Boucher