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Sidey aims for first Grand Final

THE most determined man at Swan Districts at the moment is big full-forward Garry Sidebottom.

Finals fever has hit Sidebottom and he is desperate to play in his first grand final and be a part of a premiership team.

Sidebottom has played in semi-finals in WA and Victoria, but time is running out for the barrel-chested forward.

"I turn 30 in November and don't have too many more seasons left," Sidebottom said this week.

"I have enjoyed the thrill of playing in winning State sides, but a premiership has always been my No. 1 aim in football."

Sidebottom felt like a new recruit when he rejoined the black and whites earlier this year, after a seven-year stint in the VFL.

"Apart from Tom Mullooly, Keith Narkle, Bill Skwirowski and Murray Rance, plus Kevin Taylor who I had played with in the State side, they were all new faces at Swans," he said.



Garry Sidebottom . . . a key man for Swans

BY TONY CARR



"I was determined to show the younger players that I could play, which was my motivation during the practice matches."

"The new challenge at Swans has given my football career renewed life and I'm enjoying playing with the young players at the club."

Sidebottom is a key player in Swans' hopes of winning four consecutive flags and his nine-goal haul in the first semi-final against West Perth showed that he is in great form.

His opponent in Saturday's preliminary final is likely to be Michael Crutchfield, who played well on Sidebottom the last time Swans and Subiaco met at Bassendean Oval.

"Crutchfield is a very good player, who plays close and makes you earn your kicks," Sidebottom said.

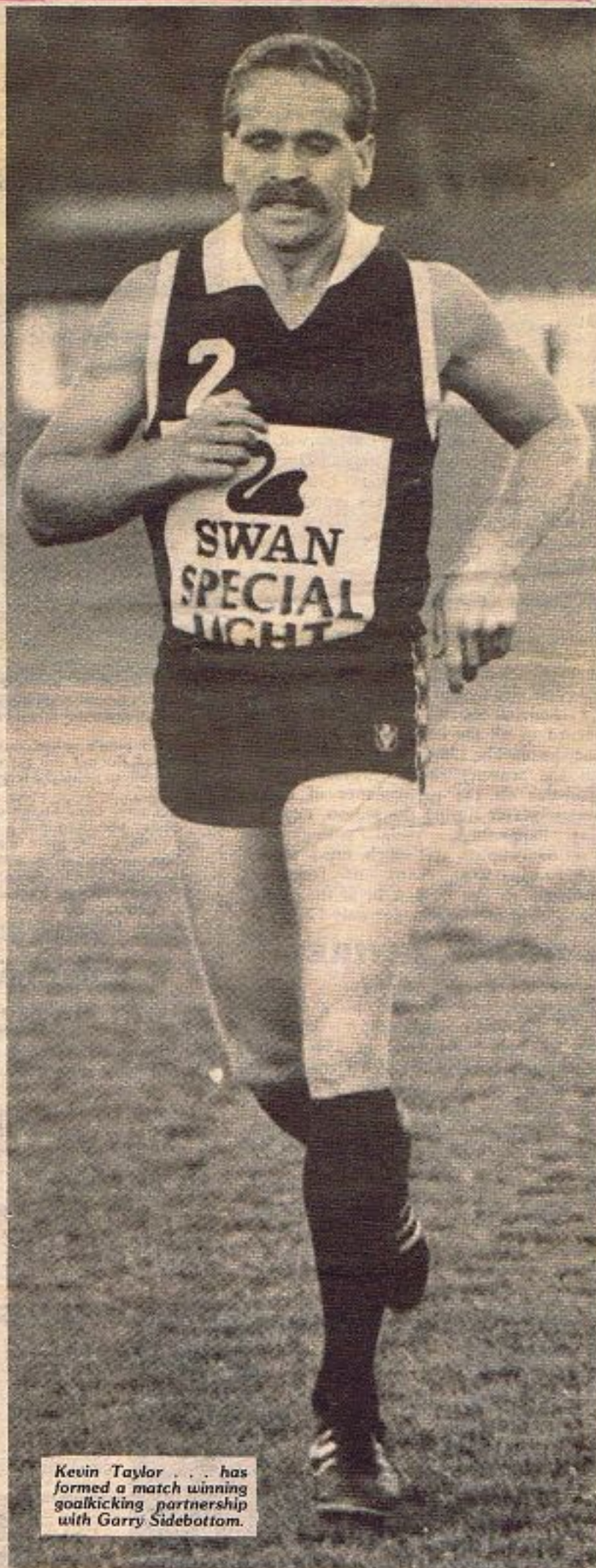
"He and Mark Zanotti are very fast and they enjoy going for long runs."

Sidebottom and Kevin Taylor have a special on-field understanding and have worked in partnership to destroy opposition backlines this season.

"Kevin and I formed a strong friendship when he was at Fitzroy for a short while last year," says Sidebottom.

"We look for each other as much as possible on the field and it has worked well during the season."

Swans supporters will be hoping that the Sidebottom-Taylor combination works again this Saturday and if they do, it will go a long way towards the black and whites playing in another grand final.



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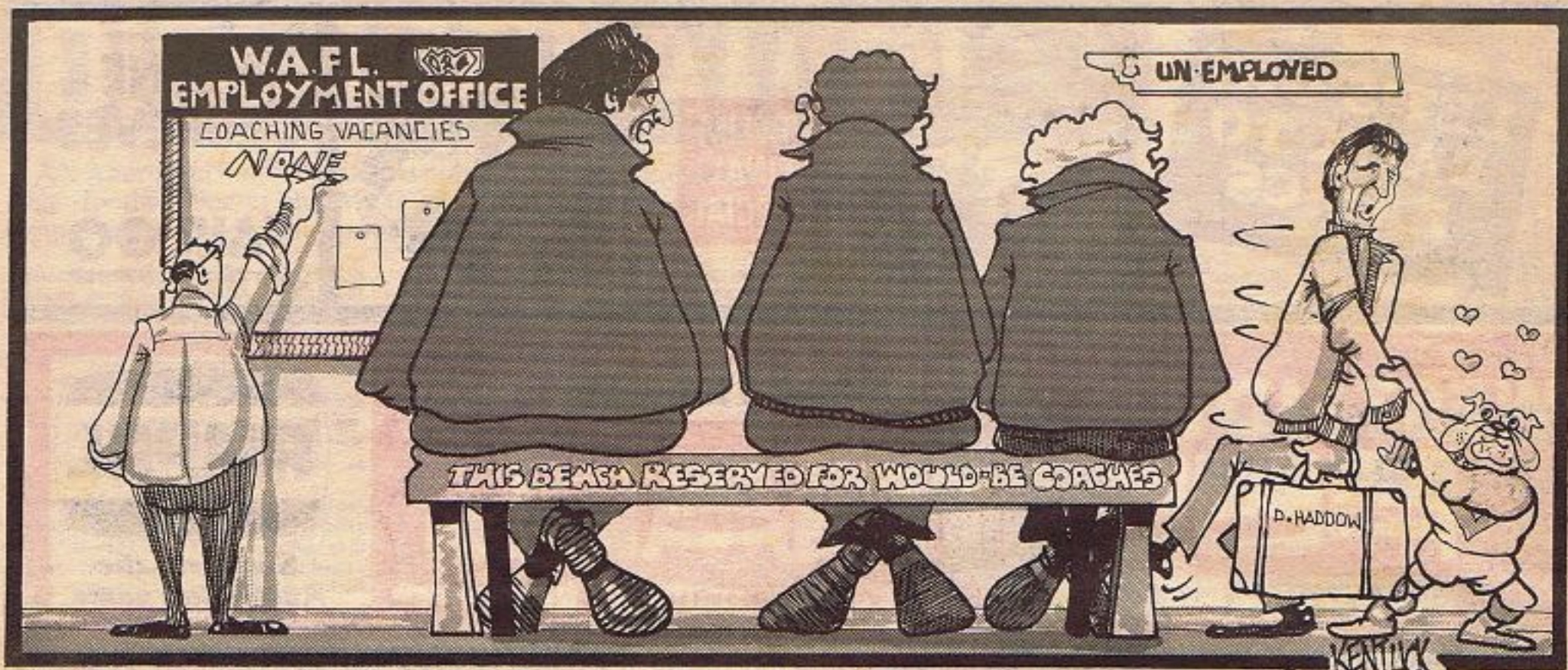
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FOOTY FACTS

THE 23rd edition of the Football Register will be out again on grand final day and, as usual, it will be a complete record of all the happenings throughout the season. The 176-page book will include all the season's results in full details, statistics on the performance of every league player during the season, day-by-day happenings, Medal voting and previous winners and much, much more. This big-value book of football information can be bought at the grand final, or in newsagents, for only \$2.

DUCKY RETIRES

WEST Perth strongman John Duckworth has definitely hung up his boots this time and is keen for a coaching job at Leederville Oval in 1986. This season's reserves coach, Bill Dempsey, is having doubts about coaching the second 18 next season and Duckworth will apply for the job if Dempsey decides to step down. The Duckworth influence could be very strong at West Perth next season, if Duckworth's younger brother Bill decides to come back to the Falcons. The younger Duckworth is keen to return to the family farm at Kullin and if Essendon win this year's premiership, it would increase the chances of him returning.



Ron Alexander... has a first hand look at the centenary Grand Final Budget.

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TOP CLASH

NORTH Melbourne's brilliant Krakouer brothers, Jim and Phil, will be having a late night next Friday, despite being the eve of their next finals match. They will be at the MCG to watch the Aboriginal All-Australian team and a composite VFL side do battle under lights, as the highlight to National Aboriginal Week. Star Richmond centreman Maurice Rioli will captain the side, which is made up of Aboriginal players from WA, South Australia, the Northern Territory and Victoria. The team will be coached by former East Perth and Carlton star Syd Jackson.

HIGH ELATION

NORTH Melbourne's dramatic win in the elimination final over Carlton, saw some euphoric scenes in the rooms after the match. Suspended rover Jim Krakouer was not forgotten in the excitement and was picked up by three team-mates and carried into a team meeting held behind closed doors. Krakouer will be available for the first semi-final against Footscray and will increase the Kangaroo's chances of upsetting the Bulldogs.

WALLACE WINS

PLUCKY Hawthorn centreman Terry Wallace has won the Sunday Observer newspaper's Footballer-of-the-Year award from Carlton ruckman Justin Madden and young Essendon forward Mark Harvey. Wallace's prize is a hi-fi stereo worth \$2500. Former Clarendon player Jim Krakouer finished equal third, while former South Fremantle star Maurice Rioli, was back in equal sixth place.

WELL WISHERS

With Subiaco's first finals appearance for a decade last Saturday, there were many well-wishers. Two prominent people to send wishes were Ross Smith, the club's last premiership coach, and former club general manager Basil Fuller, currently in Greece on a world trip.

BUMPER EDITION

Don't miss next week's bumper 32 page grand final edition of Westside Football. It will contain colour photographs of both grand final teams plus a host of other special features.

FITZROY MOVE

THE Fitzroy Football Club may return to their old Brunswick St Oval in 1986. The Lions have been sharing Victoria Park with Collingwood and there has been friction between the two camps. The Lions directors believe an improved Brunswick St could provide the club with an ideal training, gymnasium and even social base. If moves are ratified, Brunswick St would undergo an immediate million dollar improvement.



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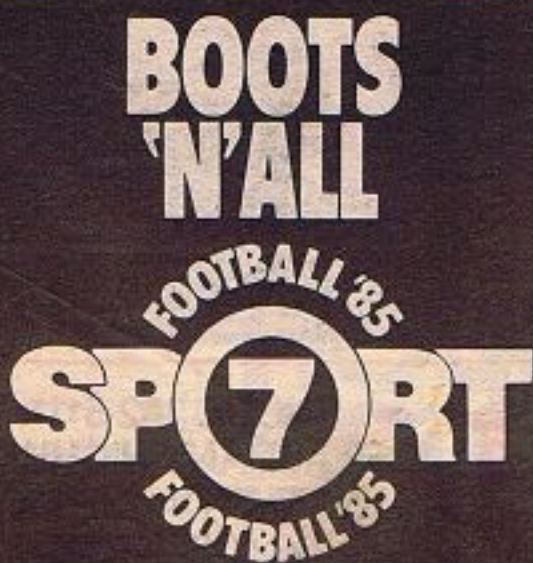
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MY VIEW



By 6IX
football
commentator
J.K. WATTS

Let's get back to basics

ONLY a bloke with the brains of a fruit fly would say that there's nothing to worry about when it comes to where our great game is heading.

I mean, here it is, our Centenary year of football and what do we do to celebrate?

Well for starters, we copped a walloping by the cringing Croweaters, then the vicious Vics journeyed across the Nullarbor and nicked off with our Australian title. Fair dinkum, it's a toss-up between the State team and our Test cricket team.

Our All Australian coach, Gonzo Todd, hit the nail on the head when he said the player drain over to Victoria had, at last, taken its toll and it would be a few years before we could rebuild, providing that the Vics don't continue to pillage our local clubs. Well, I couldn't agree more.

Mind you, I suppose I should share some of the blame 'cause one has to remember that Polly Farmer and yours truly engineered a strategy years ago to lift the standard of football in Australia when we unselfishly volunteered to travel across to Victoria and win a premiership for Geelong.

Now we have to pay the penalty because the Vics think that every footballer who comes out of the West is a champion! You can't really blame them.

But have they struck some duds in their enthusiasm! Sometimes they get well and truly conned and I must admit I feel a bit sorry for them because they are thorough gentlemen, they still thank me for winning their last premiership back in 1963!

CRACKERJACK

How could anyone forget my great game. Polly didn't play a bad sort of a game either, but I felt sorry for my old mate Dandy Dennis Marshall that day. He didn't make the team. But it was a crackerjack side.

I can still remember some of the headlines being bandied around after the game, especially in the Herald and the Age newspapers. Things like BRILLIANT, GREAT, SOLO EFFORT, SINGLE HANDED, but I don't really like to talk about it. It's all in the past. It's the future we have to look to.

Sorry about digressing for a moment, but if there's one thing I insist on, it's the truth and it must be told. But enough of those famous days, it's the future we have to plan for.

The secret to our success is to start cultivating a couple of toughies. At the moment, we don't have any Jack Sheedy's, Mal Atwell's, Mal Brown's or Ron Boucher's. Let's start cultivating a few more personalities. What we need is a few more of the old up and unders, the old how's your father sort of thing.

Our great game has not been hampered by other so-called codes of football. The trouble is our great game has been destroyed from within. The coaches can't criticise, the presidents can't criticise and the umpires are a lost race.

Just think back to the running battle between Jack Sheedy and Fred Woods. Ask Ray Montgomery. For weeks it made the headlines — I can't remember them being fined and the changing of the rules have just about stuffed everything. The centre square and the circle take all the science out of ruck play. Get a bloke 8ft 6 inches and you're alright.

The two umpire system speeds the game up to such an extent that the players rely solely on speed rather than skills and the kicking out on the full doesn't do anything other than give the boundary umpire a bit of a break.

What about it? Let's get back to the basics and enjoy our great game.



THE VAN HELDEN FILE

By 6PR commentator PETER VAN HELDEN

HOW HAIRSTYLES HAVE CHANGED

WATCHING the reserves second semi-final last Saturday between Swan Districts and South Fremantle, one couldn't help but notice the hairstyles of Swan players Ken Marshall and Craig Hoyer.

One wondered whether both had been attacked by a Scott Bonner or a Victor lawn mower as they emerged from a man-hole!

Marshall looked like a replica of "Jacko" while Hoyer resembled the "Birdman of Alcatraz" — the only thing missing was the menagerie!

In the early days of football, the players usually had longish hair, parted in the middle, complemented by moustaches of the "handle-bar" variety. Looking at those old photos, one has to agree that they looked remarkably similar to a team of undertakers.

The 1930s, 40s, and early '50s saw the introduction of the "basin hairdo", the one where the fictitious sugar bowl was straddled atop the head, while the barber ran rampant with his "juggernaut".

The hair was "eradicated" from the neck to the scalp, leaving a minuscule amount of foliage atop the cranium. The "leftover" was parted more often than not, down one side. An aerial view of the head would have it looking like an aircraft carrier — as a matter of fact, a frontal observation would reveal its flat-top qualities!

Beats me how the players of that era ran into the wind with their ears flapping wildly adjacent to their skull!

This hairstyle was known as one of the following: — (a) The Jack Dempsey; (b) The Wharfie massacre; (c) the everyday Australian haircut, 1947!

The advent of the late fifties and early sixties saw the introduction of the rock-n-roll style.

Firstly, there was the dove-tail mould, where one had the rear end of his head looking strikingly similar to a duck's hind-quarters.

The forehead was equipped with a "Kiss Curl", which was perfected in time to resemble the "Banzai Pipeline"! Some called it the "sausage roll haircut".

Once a week, this player would come in and get his "grease and oil change" via the Californian Poppy bottle!

If one didn't want this particular flask emptied over his head, then a fist full of Brylcreem or Trim could be used to accommodate the "bodgie".

Wearing this commodity, one could play football for 100 minutes, with a 15-goal breeze blowing and still come off the ground looking immaculate.

This era also included the crew cut, the college cut, and the push-back (Marty McDonnell still sports the latter!).

Enter the grotesque era — the late '60s and '70s. Long hair was of paramount importance to the youth of that time zone.

If I was a coach in that era, I would have ignored the scissors and the shears and given them a haircut with a flame-thrower!



To keep the hair out of their eyes, some players took to using a head-band. So, from looking like a girl, they transformed into a pale version of Geronimo or Cochise!

If you were a long-haired individual in the 1970's and kept up with fashion, gee, that's bad luck. When your grandchildren look at photos of you in the years ahead, I wish you all the best in convincing them who is grandad and who is grandma!

Some "crops" were so thick and wild, that it's a wonder many an individual didn't have a magpie or two for company around spring!

The '80s have seen an improvement in the department of the "scone". However, one does notice that some players have a strand or two of hair dangling down the leeward side of the neck. Could this be the re-introduction of the tail of the aforesaid rodent? Or is it the barber leaving a tip?

Do you ever think we'll see a "Punk" style in the arena? I think not — those guys are so "way out" that they're off the planet! A "Punk Rocker" thinks a football is between his instep and his toes!

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Desperate Lions in bid for glory

BY TONY CARR

EXPERIENCE in finals football has won the first two finals matches — but desperation and a great desire to succeed after being down for so long will see Subiaco qualify for their first grand final since 1973.

The Lions were far from disgraced last Saturday and could have won if it wasn't for some nervous mistakes in the last quarter.

The experience of playing in front of a big crowd in a pressure match did not worry the Subiaco players who settled down quickly after the Sharks initial three goals.

They come up against a finals-hardened Swans combination on Saturday who will test the Lions with the same persistent pressure that saw West Perth falter in the first semi-final.

Respective key forwards Garry Sidebottom and Laurie Keene are important players who could have a big bearing on the result of the game.

Sidebottom is a proven big-game player who destroyed West Perth with the clever way he used his body in the first semi-final.

Keene has saved his best football for Swans matches this season. His great height has proved too much for the Swans defence.

EXTRA HEIGHT

Tom Mullooly has struggled to hold Keene in their past meetings and the extra height of Peter Sartori could be the answer against this goalkicking giant.

Sartori struggled against Phil Bradmore a fortnight ago and Subiaco's centre-half-forward Warren Dean is a similar player who covers plenty of ground.

A mobile player like Kim Hetherington may be given the job of containing Dean whose second semi-final form makes him a danger player for the Lions.

Subiaco will be hoping that Clinton Brown regains fitness. His height was missed at centre-half-back against the Sharks.

He will have the task of countering the in-form Murray Rance who is enjoying the freedom of playing in the forward line.

Dangerous Swan goalkickers Kevin Taylor and Don Holmes will not get the same space as they got in the first semi-final if the Lions defence continues in the same

form as last Saturday.

Taylor revels in the big-match atmosphere and can expect to be tagged by the Lions.

TAGGING SKILL

Glen O'Loughlin has proved his tagging ability this season and is the favourite to oppose the brilliant Taylor.

Swan Districts coach John Todd used Barry Kimberley in a defensive roving role against West Perth and could be tempted to play him there again after the move proved a success.

Kimberley played a similar role to that of Subiaco's Dwayne Lamb and his elusiveness across the half-back-line set up many attacking moves for his side.

The clash in the centre between Tony Solin and Peter Featherby will be very interesting with two contrasting styles of play.

Solin's strength and aggression is a bonus for Swans at the centre bouncedowns with his uncanny ability of anticipating the knock.

UNDERSTANDING

Featherby has an excellent understanding with his ruckman Phil Scott and his ability to run deep into the forward line gives the Lions an extra scoring avenue.

The duel between rival ruckmen Scott and Mick Johns will be a classic duel.

Both players have a huge appetite for hard work and it will be a battle of the fittest in the last term.

Scott and Johns both spend the majority of the game on the ball and their accurate tap-outs have given their mobile players plenty of opportunities all season.

Swans have a problem on the wings with Danny Penny and Joe Ahmat doubtful starters on Saturday.

They will have to be careful to pick players with pace to oppose the speedy Lions pair of Phil Lamb and Andrew MacNish who are well suited to the wide open spaces of Subiaco Oval.



Subiaco vice-captain Phil Lamb has all eyes for the ball. Lamb was in top form for the Lions in last Saturday's second semi-final and will be a key for his side again in the preliminary final.



DUCK FOR COVER
With 61X commentator and West Perth league player JOHN DUCKWORTH

Can Subi come up?

WHAT a great second semi-final we witnessed on Saturday, a game that could have gone either way. But East Fremantle's finals experience got them over the line. Subiaco showed their lack of experience, which cost them crucial goals at vital stages of the game. It was a good effort from Subiaco and they will be a lot better for the experience this Saturday. But the big question is whether or not they can gear themselves up two weeks in a row, especially coming up against a side that boasts as much finals experience as Swans do.

FREE FLOWING

IT IS interesting to read the free-kick statistics for the second semi-final. In the first half there were a total of 34 free kicks (23 Subiaco, 11 East Fremantle), but in the second half, only eight frees (5 Subiaco, 3 East Fremantle) were given. The umpires obviously wanted to assert their control in the first half and once that happened, they were prepared to let the game flow. If this was the case, well done to both umpires. It's the players the public come to watch, not the umpires.

WELL DONE

WELL done to Subiaco player Kevan Sparks — he has certainly come of age as a player since switching from East Perth. Not a lot has been heard of Sparks, possibly living in the shadow of his brother Russell. But it's good to see a player grab his opportunity at a new club and play well.

HONEY TRAIL

THE Sydney Swans new owner, Dr Geoff Edelsten, must have a never-ending supply of money. After spending so much to purchase the Swans, he is now out chasing players, administrators and a coach. The story from Melbourne is that he has dangled the bait in front of Essendon coach Kevin Sheedy, to the tune of \$1 million to coach for the next five years.

VALE FALCONS

I'LL finish my column this week on a very sad note as far as West Perth members are concerned. To the Adamson family, my sincere condolences on the passing of Mr Adamson, a loyal member and a fine man, and to Mrs Peggy McCann and family likewise on the loss of Frank, another loyal member of West Perth.



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VERBAL WARFARE

A STORY in The Western Mail last Saturday about the dispute between club presidents and the independent board of WAFL directors certainly opened up some old wounds. There's always been a suggestion that the club presidents would find themselves with their noses out of joint eventually after handing over decision-making power to a group of outsiders — even if it had to be done to win Government financial support. Apparently things came to a head at a bitter meeting at the league which was described by one official as better than a circus — "it was free to get in and we still got a drink afterwards." One president was told by another that if he couldn't shut his general manager up, he'd do it himself! Another president described his GM (who was present) in fairly unflattering terms. All in all, an interesting meeting.

TYPICAL SWANS!

THERE'S no doubt about Swan Districts; they tend to want to make their own laws. Not only have we seen the situation this season where their coach (John Todd) and their president (Bill Walker) both escape league fines for criticising umpires, but now they want to change the rules regarding the eligibility of players in the reserves finals. Swans were "angry" at the WAFL not allowing them to play Wayne Simms, Keith Narkle and Leigh Brenton in the reserves second semi-final because they weren't qualified. Surely rules are rules. You can't just change them overnight because it suits you! Swans claimed that no other side would be disadvantaged by the amending of the regulations to allow the trio to play — no-one, that is, apart from the opposition!

FRED'S FACTS

FIERY Freddie Woods, a continual contributor to this column (in feats, not articles) makes it again this week. The so-called umpires friend tipped 'Rob' Graffin to be one of the field umpires in the second semi. He obviously meant Ross Graffin and he was only just out — Graffin was the emergency ump.

CAGEY SHARK

RON Alexander is certainly a cagey character when it comes to activities on the football field — and he was at it again in last week's semi-final. Alexander won the toss, but didn't indicate to the Subiaco players which way he was kicking. He gave his players the tip as he rejoined the group and then took his team away in a bunch, leaving the Lions wandering around without a lead! Finally, Subi skipper Neil Taylor had to ask the umpires which way the Sharks had elected to kick.



A happy Peter Bowler.

LUCKY QUOTE

IT was a delighted Peter Bowler last Tuesday when he was named Bull of the Year at a special function at Mamma Maria's restaurant. Bowler's outrageous comment to win the award was: "West Perth once had two Heals and now they have two Fongs." The former marketing and public relations manager of the WAFL won an attractive bar fridge for his quote. Bowler concluded his long service with the WAFL on August 31 and is now secretary of the Gosnells Golf Club.

STRANGE CHOICE

SOME media colleagues of mine are puzzled about the introduction of an award for players in the reserves competition this year. Under a new WAFL sponsorship, the best player in each series of seven matches in the reserves competition received \$250 and a medallion. Subiaco's Todd Breman won the award for the first series of football — except that the umpires didn't quite agree. In fact, voting in the Prendergast Medal, for the reserves fairest and best player, saw Breman poll only four votes — and they came all in the last six games. If Breman didn't poll a vote in the first series, who did the league use to pick their star player?

VICS ONLY

MY spy in Melbourne tells me that the Foster's Cup night series, formerly the Sterling and Escort Cups, will be discontinued in its present format and an announcement will be made shortly on the competition. Rumour has it that it will be exclusively for Victorian clubs only and will be played pre-season in country centres.

TIGER TALK

THERE are some whispers down at Claremont that several key players are not happy with the re-appointment of Graham Moss as coach for another two seasons. These players will be looking to go to other clubs if the Claremont directors' decision stands.

FAI INSURANCES present...

BENNETT'S BURST

By chief Sunday Times
and Australian Football
writer ROBERT BENNETT.



Keene deserves a fair go

IT'S about time umpires gave Subiaco's lanky full-forward Laurie Keene a fair go.

From what I've seen this year, he has to do above-ordinary things to get the nod from umpires.

This is most noticeable with marks. It's been claimed that Keene is a bit of a butter-fingers when it comes to taking a grab.

How often does the ball spill from his hands just as it seems he has taken a mark?

I don't believe this is a case of butter-fingers.

Certainly Keene drops sitters. But he also comes in for undue attention.

Fair enough. A player of his size is like a man among boys. But too often he is subjected to illegal tactics.

He is often shoved out of the way and on too many occasions, he has the ball thumped from his grasp after appearing to have taken a mark.

Last Saturday there were a couple of occasions when he held the ball long enough in difficult circumstances to have been awarded a mark.

If the umpires are going to be tough on him, then they should be tough on some of the other "questionable marks".

No full-forward should be given easy kicks. But just because he is a lot bigger than his opponents doesn't mean Keene has to do a lot more than other players before receiving recognition from umpires.

Keene is potentially the most dangerous forward in the finals.

The other sides are aware of that — and not surprisingly he gets a lot of attention.

Saturday will be his big test and also one for Swan Districts.

Swans have had difficulty countering Keene this season. He demolished them in two matches at Bassendean kicking nine and eight goals respectively.

He looms as Swans biggest hurdle on their way to their fourth successive premiership.

It will be interesting to see what kind of tactics are employed against Keene in the preliminary final.

If he is allowed to be in a man-to-man situation, then he will pose a very big problem to Swans.

Their coach John Todd, no doubt would have given a lot of thought on how to counter Keene.



Laurie Keene

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Hardys History

Passing of 'Poet' Smith

Many who knew him in his prime regarded Walter ("Poet") Smith as the greatest centre-half-forward the game in this State has known; all who knew him, whatever their opinions on this particular point, accepted him as a wonderful sportsman.

"Poet" died suddenly last Saturday, mourned by a host of friends. The gathering at the graveside brought together a great many who had thrilled to his exploits afield and or come to value his friendship as that of one of nature's gentlemen.

"Poet" Smith was seen in coastal football in the closing stages of his mercurial career. He was a native of Bendigo and took up football on the goldfields. His aptitude for the game was demonstrated from the first. In those days he and "Nipper" Truscott were inland champions. They played together or were opposed in many a great game. Unlike "Nipper," who came from Mines Rovers to Old Easts, "Poet" served several seasons with the Rovers and then swung over to Railways. His amazing skill in foot-passing was only one of several assets, although, admittedly the greatest, but he had everything that a champion could wish for, including a wonderfully comprehensive understanding of tactics.

It is sufficient indication of his football ability to recall that "Poet" was selected for the 1908, 1911 and 1914 carnival teams, which, up to that year, always had a strong representation of goldfields talent. "Poet" was a star when the game on the fields was at its highest standard, and that means something. It was not until after the war that he transferred to the coast and played several seasons with East Fremantle. His best years may have then been behind him, but his displays as centre-half-forward will remain an unforgettable memory with followers of the period.

"Bonner" Hebbard, another Goldfields star, who played in the 1911 carnival, married a sister of "Poet" Smith. The pair formed a grocery partnership at Beaconsfield, which was carried on until now. "Bonner's" brother, Pat, whose fame as centre-half-forward will be well remembered, was a team-mate of "Poet's" in the 1914 carnival.

"Poet" retained a great admiration for East Fremantle, but the fact that his two sons, both half-forwards like himself, became attached to South Fremantle divided that interest between the Port teams. Tales of the halcyon days of football and its greatest players will keep evergreen the memory of Walter Smith.

— from the Football Budget, 1959

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FOOTBALL FORUM

Media bashing regrettable

I WAS extremely interested in your issue related to "media bashing" by John Todd, in particular, and members of the football fraternity in general.

I can assure you such attitudes certainly are not indigenous to Western Australia.

I can also assure you that those of us who perhaps are branded as "conservatives" find such attitudes to the collective media regrettable — given the value the media is to our game.

We also find it understandable, because of the media's penchant for affording unbridled publicity to people who, on occasions, would best be left "uninterviewed".

It is a very unfortunate fact of life that we now have a national mentality which relates in an almost paranoid fashion to sensationalism. This understandably leads the media into a situation where the more unattractive facets of Australian Football obviously sell more newspapers, and attract more viewers and listeners than any of the more positive, but (perceived) less newsworthy aspects of the game.

I can certainly attest to such problems at the NFL level.

IMPORTANT

We have frequently distributed media releases on such positive, important and satisfying subjects as "Aussie Footy", the National Coaching Scheme (which included information on a phenomenal increase in coaching accreditations and a commentary on changing coaching priorities and the fact that Australian Football now has the largest number of accredited coaches of any sport in Australia) and football development in Rugby League dominated areas.

Response from the media was virtually nil. Let one brawl take place — as it did at a junior football match recently in Melbourne, which involved a few undisciplined kids and an equal number of ignorant, misguided adults — and the press runs riot to the extent of front and back page headlines.

Or if Jim Krakouer gets suspended for six weeks on a kicking charge, reports on such an earth shattering event displace such trivia as the Lebanon crisis, the Iran-Iraq war, the Lionel Murphy trial and sundry political events from our headlines.

POSITIVE

So I guess what I am really saying is "be it on your own heads"! The real answer is for the collective media to consciously concentrate on the more positive aspects of football news.

This can only be obtained from the more conscientious coaches and administrators.

Not from sensation seekers and those who would manipulate the media in order to keep their images, unattractive as some of those images may be to sensible people, before the public eye.

I conclude by commenting on another aspect of irresponsibility and lack of consideration which is instanced in your column, that of the publishing of totally inaccurate team placings in newspapers and programs as the result of coaches and selection committees paranoia with secrecy.



LES'S LYRICS

6NR commentator and former Claremont and State champion LES MUMMIE has a different look at football.

Subi still have a show

CONGRATS to the winners for an exciting game. ALTHO Subi were beaten They should feel no shame.

THE Sharks Gerard Neesham is nobody's fool. NO wonder his fans Call him "Mr Cool".

WHEN others are flustered He has time to spare. PICKS out a team-mate With that touch of flair.

BUT Subi, can rebound And that's no lark. BUT big Laurie Keene Must hold every Mark.

THE Swans and Lions Will clash this week. A chance for the flag Is the prize they seek.

THE game will be tough That is for sure. FOR Swans are determined To make their score four.

YOUR LETTERS

Write to P.O. Box 442, Morley.

Just how any responsible coach can honestly believe that there is any advantage to be gained by publicising the incorrect team or its placings on the field is beyond me. My experience has been that the opposition knows just as much about the team to be played as they do themselves.

One of the outstanding features of modern football is the "homework" done on potential opponents. To think this can be "undone" by releasing incorrect team membership or incorrect placings is a joke.

The media deserves every consideration and respect from Australian Football. Conversely, I suggest it would be to the collective media's advantage to give progressively less publicity to those who publicly denigrate it.

— R. J. WARREN,
National Director of Coaching

STAND PROBLEM

HOW can the WAFL justify ticket prices in the three-tier stand?

Watching the first semi final in the two-tier was appalling to say the least.

Apart from being squashed to the next person, trying to move to the aisle was disgraceful. Each person I passed either had to stand up or move their belongings.

If you are four-foot tall, then buy yourself a ticket, otherwise there's always the outer!

Congratulations Westside Football for your best year of publication.

PS: Thank God for the WACA.

David Barr
Huntingdale

THANKS WAFL

AS the football season nears its end I would like to, on behalf of VFL supporters, thank Mr Vince Yovich for the draft system.

The fact that Footscray can get Brad Hardie and Allen Daniels for only \$45,000 each is truly generous and we are grateful.

Just imagine if Hardie ever goes to another VFL club, Footscray could sell him for \$200,000 if they like.

You West Australians are so generous and have made the VFL what it is today; so much more generous than those mean South Australians who want fair prices for their players!

Too bad they beat your State team 30 goals to 16, but that's football I guess.

Once again, thanks Mr Yovich.

R. Wilson, Palmyra

MILESTONE MEN

300 GAMES

Peter Featherby (S) 293*

* Tally includes games with other clubs as follows: Peter Featherby 42 Footscray, 93 Geelong.

250 GAMES

Robert Wiley (P) 247 *

Stephen Michael (SF) 243
Tom Mullooly (SD) 243

* Tally includes games with other clubs as follows: Robert Wiley 95 Richmond.

150 GAMES

Lindsay Kanther (P) 148 *

Kevin Bryant (EP) 147*
Stephen Green (EF) 144

* Tally includes games with other clubs as follows: Lindsay Kanther 146 Claremont; Kevin Bryant 57 North Melbourne.

100 GAMES

Clinton Broun (S) 96

Craig Edwards (SF) 95*

* Tally includes games with other clubs as follows: Craig Edwards 73 East Perth.

50 GAMES



Bryce Forman

Peter Davidson (C) 49

Bryce Forman (EF) 49

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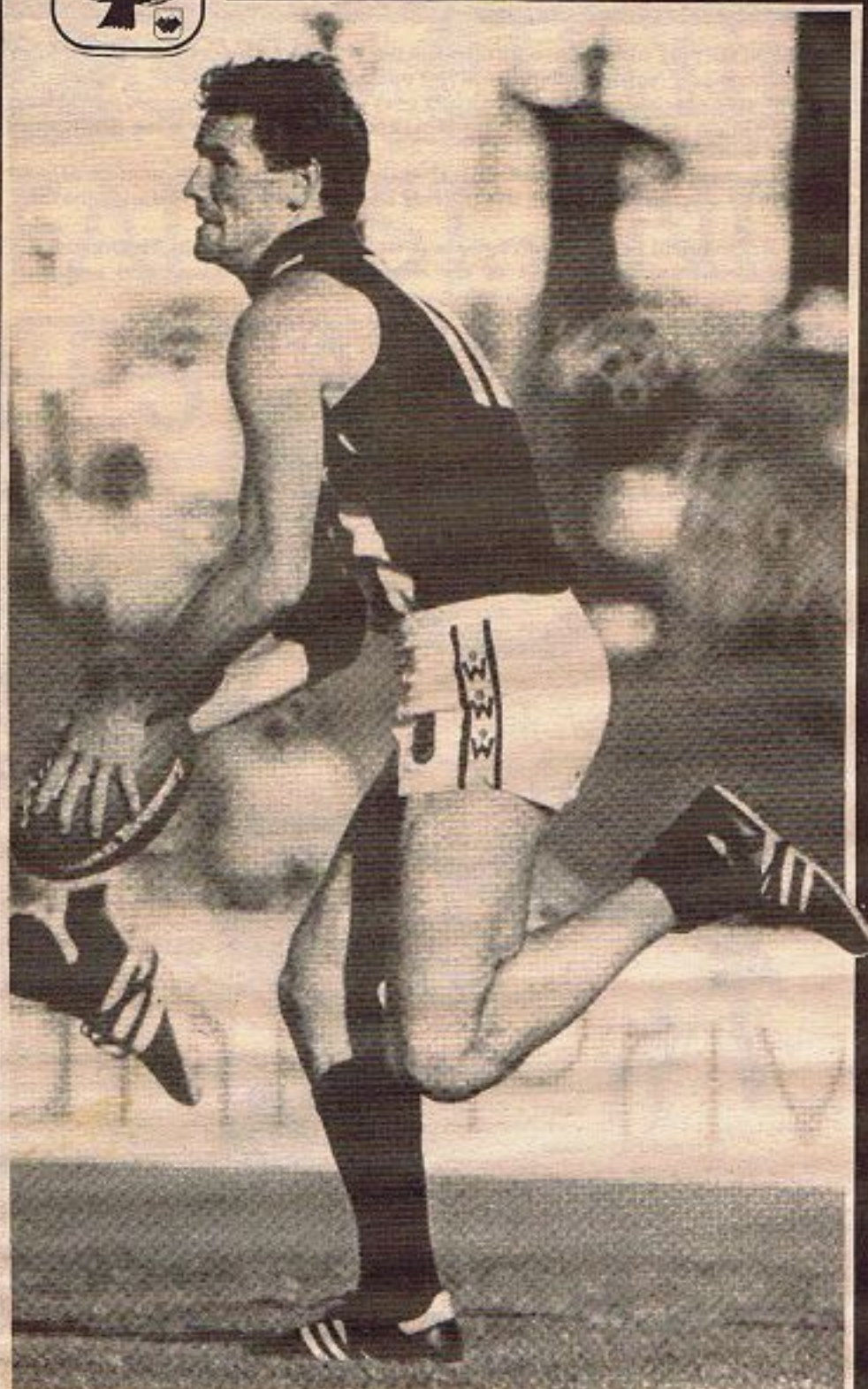
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DON Langsford's performance in the first semi-final typifies the football that Swan Districts supporters have become accustomed to since he made his debut in 1977.

The Swans captain did much of the tough unglamorous work which goes unnoticed in most matches he plays.

His unobtrusive style of football finally caught the attention of the umpires this year when he polled 28 votes in the Sandover Medal.

He thoroughly deserved this recognition from the men in white and is one of the most consistent week-by-week performers in the league.

Langsford is a captain who leads by example and several times this season he has lifted his side with a brilliant goal or taken a face-saving mark in defence.

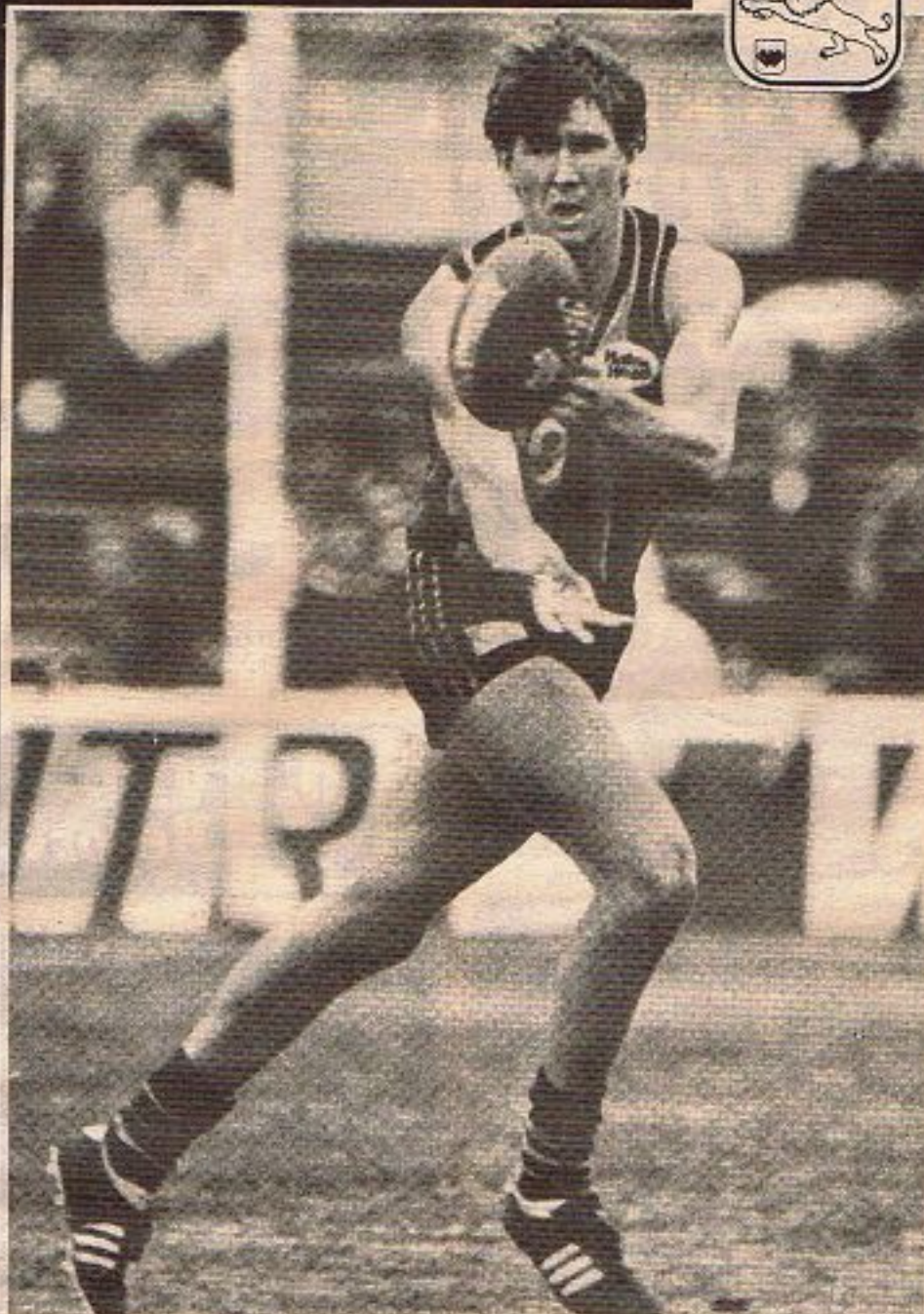
Don Langsford

Langsford has been an integral part of the black and white's last three premiership sides and knows what is needed in the pressure cooker atmosphere of finals football.

He would like nothing better than to hold the premiership cup aloft on September 21, as leader of another Swan Districts triumph.

PERSONAL DETAILS

Full name: Donald Langsford
Nickname: Langers
Date of birth: 7/5/59 **Place of birth:** Cummins SA
Height: 185cm (6.11) **Weight:** 82kg (13.0)
Age started playing: 18 **Junior club:** Gibson
Marital status: Married **Children:** Matthew 3 weeks
Residence: Kensington
Occupation: Pharmacist **Place of work:** Midland Drive-In Pharmacy
Other sporting interests: Tennis, sailboarding
Favourite position: Ruck-rover **First position:** Half-back flank
League debut: 1977 **Versus:** Perth
YOUR FAVOURITES —
Actor: Sylvester Stallone **Drink:** Coke
TV Show: Minder **Food:** Seafood
Movie: Romancing the Stone **Music:** Contemporary
Book: Kane & Abel **Holiday resort:** Penang
Ground: Bassendean
Your car: VW Beetle **Your favourite car:** Porsche
Career highlights: 1982, 83, 84 grand finals, 1983 and 1984 State games
Worst moment in football: Dislocating shoulder during State of Origin game 1984
Hard things in football: Pre-season training
Toughest opponent: All are hard
Most respected umpire: Lindsay Johnston
Most memorable game: 1984 grand final
Ambitions: To play 150 games, to captain a winning grand final team
What do you like about football: Competing and winning
Who influenced your career: Parents, John Todd
Worst injury: Dislocated shoulder.



SEASON 1985 has been the toughest for Subiaco defender Greg Wilkinson since he made his league debut in 1983.

The former State amateur player has found life tougher off the field than on it.

Wilkinson became a full-time partner in a veterinary practice and has missed many hours of training with his heavy workload.

"Apart from missing training, I'm rostered to work most Saturday mornings," Wilkinson said.

"This is not the ideal preparation for league football, but I've learnt to accept it and have been quite pleased with my form."

In the last series, Wilkinson has played his best football of the

Greg Wilkinson

season and is looking forward to being part of a Lions premiership side.

He is no stranger to big matches, having represented WA twice and with this experience will be the leader of the Lions defence.

PERSONAL DETAILS

Full name: Greg Charles Wilkinson
Nickname: 'Roger' 'Milkman' **Why?** Roger Wilko
Date of birth: 23/4/61 **Place of birth:** Perth
Height: 191cm (6.3½) **Weight:** 85kg (13.7)
Age started playing: 22 years
Previous club: Old Scotch Amateur Football Club
Marital status: Engaged **Girlfriend's name:** Anne Smith
Residence: Floreat Park
Occupation: Veterinary Surgeon **Place of work:** Subiaco Veterinary Hospital
Other sporting interests: Windsurfing, golf, tennis
Favourite position: Ruck-rover **First position:** Centre-half-back
League debut: 1983 **Versus:** Perth
YOUR FAVOURITES —
Actor: Peter Sellers **Drink:** Scotch & Dry/Soda Water and Staminade
TV show: Professionals, Winners **Food:** Doner Kebab from Subiaco Pavillion
Movie: The Deer Hunter/Blues Brothers **Music:** Cold Chisel/Dire Straits
Book: Lord of the Rings **Holiday resort:** Coral Bay
Ground: Subiaco
Your car: Ford Cortina Station Wagon **Your favourite car:** Porsche
Career highlights: 1st league game; State representation v SA 1984
Worst moment in football: Playing on Warren Ralph when he kicked 13 goals.
Hard things in football: Pre-season training, accepting injuries
Football idols: Ken Hunter, Ross Glendinning
Toughest opponent: Murray Rance
Most respected opponent: 'Rocky' Roberts (SA)
Most respected umpire: Mike Ball
Most memorable game: WA v SA Adelaide 1984
Ambitions: To play in a grand final with Subiaco, to represent WA against Victoria
What do you like about football: To train to a high level of fitness, the bond built up amongst team-mates
How do you mentally prepare for a game: Well I work Saturday morning but I try to relax and spend as much time thinking about the game and my opponent as I can
Who influenced your career: Brian Sierakowski, Greg Peck, Haydn Bunton
Guernsey number: No. 29
Superstitions: Wear the same pair of jockettes
Worst injury: Calcified thigh muscle
Luckiest break: Being chosen for State side.

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INTERSTATE UPDATE

From our Eastern States correspondents



DEVINE SEEKS GEELONG JOB

AT least five former Geelong players are believed to be candidates for the league coaching job at Geelong.

Speculation is rising that current coach Tom Hafey is set to depart from the Cats and the hot tip to take his place is John Devine, one of the club's most admired players of a bygone era.

Devine, 45, is now living in Hobart and has admitted that he is an applicant.

Hafey, who took Richmond to four premierships before going to Collingwood and then Geelong, wants to keep the job, but has said that he will not re-apply. He wants to be re-appointed or he will move on.

Devine, a member of Geelong's last premiership team in 1963, coached North Hobart for eight years after leaving Geelong, winning premierships in 1967-69 and 74.

He was offered the coaching job at Geelong when Rod Olsson was given his marching orders (before Hafey's arrival) but his business interests in the hotel trade in Hobart prevented the move.

"I think everybody wants to go back sometime to coach their old club," he says.

"I'm a bit old fashioned in my ideas and I guess I'd be an old-fashioned coach."

SALMON STARS

GIANT Essendon forward Paul Salmon showed that his finals form was good enough to earn him a league spot when he kicked six goals in the Bombers reserves team. Salmon, out of action for a year after a knee reconstruction, helped the Bombers cruise to a 92-point win over Geelong in the reserves elimination final. Apart from kicking 6.3, Salmon set up several great goals with tap-outs to team-mates and then he spent the last quarter on the interchange bench as a precaution.



Jon Dorotich... Carlton in 1986.

DORO'S MOVE

BRILLIANT South Fremantle centre-half-forward Jon Dorotich was an interested spectator at the Carlton-North Melbourne clash last Saturday. He was Carlton's guest at the match and is certain to line up with the Blues in 1986. Dorotich believes Carlton is the club where he has his best chance of playing in a premiership side. Dorotich says he will be in Melbourne for the start of Carlton's pre-season training in November.



SIMON'S TOPS!

THE Victorian media have a high rating of WA star Simon Beasley — so much so they have given him their personality of the year award. The former Swan Districts star is never short of a quote or two after some of his Footscray efforts and he's been one of the most co-operative players when it comes to media interviews. The Victorian Football Writers Guild had Beasley as their guest speaker on the eve of the qualifying final and he gave them some 'inside' information on how the Bulldogs were preparing for the finals series.



David Parkin... uncertain future at Carlton.

'NO COMMENT'

CARLTON coach David Parkin was tight-lipped about his future after the Blues went out of the 1985 finals race last Saturday.

Parkin, coach of Carlton for the last five years, has now seen the team flop out of the finals in their past four appearances, to Essendon, Hawthorn, Collingwood and now North.

"I have nothing to say," was his only comment when pressed about his coaching future.

A despondent Parkin still found time to pay tribute to North and especially to their coach, John Kennedy.

"He's a magnificent man and you should never under-estimate his ability or the ability of any side coached by him," said Parkin.

"The fact that we didn't nail them to the wall in the first half was to their credit and that takes a lot of character to lift like they did."

ESSENDON HOT

ESSENDON are still hot favourites to win the 1985 VFL flag despite the good form of Hawthorn and North Melbourne in the opening finals fixtures.

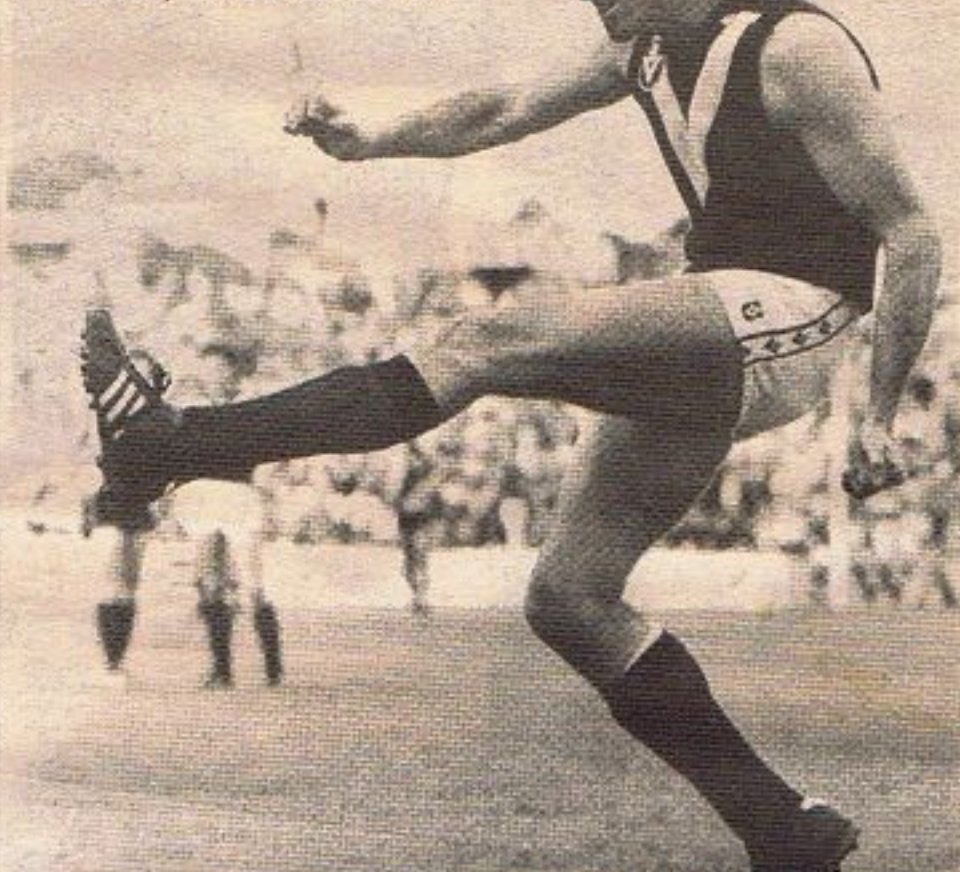
North, who notched an incredible victory over Carlton, are 8/1 chances for the flag, with Hawthorn (at 7/4) and Footscray (4/1) are still at good odds while the bookies hold the Bombers odds-on at 8/13.

North's miraculous second-half revival against the Blues caught punters around Australia by surprise. They were still offering 6/1 about a North win during the third quarter.

The Roos should be at full strength next week now that Donald McDonald and Andrew Demetriou walked out of the tribunal without a suspension and their challenge with Footscray will be a tough one.

Rover Jim Krakouer will be available after a six week suspension and Peter German, the team's in-form centreman of the final round, will be fit.

Simon Madden... a key player for Essendon in this weekend's second Semi-final clash with Hawthorn.



STURT AND WESTS TO CLASH

WEST Adelaide and Sturt are set for an elimination final showdown in the South Australian National Football League after securing their finals places with wins on Saturday.

West ended Central Districts faint hopes of making the five, winning by 30 points and Sturt knocked Glenelg out of top spot with a 34-point victory.

It was not a good warm-up by Glenelg for their qualifying final clash with Norwood next Saturday.

Two great champions of SA football, Malcolm Blight and Russell Ebert, played the last games of their careers last Saturday.

Both went out on a losing note, with Blight's Woodville losing to North Adelaide by 38 points and Ebert's Port Adelaide going down to Norwood by 25 points.

In the other match, West Torrens beat South Adelaide 26.16 to 17.19.

EBERT RETIRES

PORT Adelaide captain-coach Russell Ebert has announced his retirement. He played his last game against Norwood at Football Park last Saturday. Ebert said he was keen to continue as a non-playing coach.

TWO TO STAY

CENTREMAN Andrew Jarman and forward Peter Bennett have signed with North Adelaide for another two years. Three VFL clubs had shown an interest in Jarman and two SA clubs have inquired about Bennett.



WEST CENSURED

THE SANFL have censured West Adelaide for their public criticism of league rules in the wake of the injury to full-forward Roger Luders. West officials confirmed the censure but would not comment any further.

SCHMAAL QUILTS

NORWOOD defender Wayne Schmaal quit after deciding he had no future with the club. He would not rule out the possibility of joining another club and believed he could play senior football for another two years.

McKENZIE TO STAY

PORT Adelaide general manager Ian McKenzie said he would remain with the club for at least the next four years. He confirmed his position following speculation that he would return to Geelong.

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By
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Stiles

Chubby's Chatter SELLS MOVE WAS A SURPRISE

MANY people at the second semi were surprised when Subiaco half-forward Stephen Sells did not reappear after half-time.

He was electrifying in the first half, kicking three goals and gave the Lions extra pace across the half-forward-line.

It was a mystery why Haydn Bunton did not bring him back on in the last term, when some Subiaco players were looking very weary.

His superb goal sense is a necessity against Swan Districts this Saturday in a do-or-die effort for the Lions.

TOP DUEL

IT WAS a pleasure to watch the clash of two top ruckmen in Subiaco's Phil Scott and the Sharks Paul Harding last Saturday.

This duel reminded me of some of the great clashes that Graham Farmer and Jack Clarke had in the late 1950s.

These two big men still have a way to go before they can compare with the great ability of Farmer and Clarke, but they are getting better each season.

Both Scott and Harding are the best ruckmen in the WAFL and one got the impression that they were trying to prove to the football public last Saturday, who is No. 1.

Scott has really come of age this season, while Harding developed very quickly in league ranks.

It was interesting to note that both big men had their left thigh heavily strapped — a precautionary padding to avoid injuries.

Neither club can afford to lose these players because of a lack of adequate replacements.



Phil Scott



Paul Harding

LAMB'S ROLE

SUBIACO vice captain Phil Lamb had plenty to play for on Saturday.

The Lions veteran of 180 games played many matches in the last series off the interchange bench and he was given the opportunity to prove himself from the first bounce last Saturday.

He didn't waste this opportunity and was one Lions player who was a strong four-quarter performer.

His speed and sure ball handling on the wing was great to watch and I'm certain he will be one of the first picked for Saturday's preliminary final.

DANGER MEN

THIS Saturday's preliminary final is shaping up as a great encounter and it will be interesting to see where some players will line-up.

The most interest will centre on who will oppose key full-forwards Laurie Keene and Garry Sidebottom.

Peter Sartori, with his extra height and agility, is the man I believe best equipped to oppose the giant Keene.

Lions full-back Michael Crutchfield did an excellent job on Sidebottom the last time these two sides met and he was very impressive again in last Saturday's second semi-final.

Swan coach John Todd may use Barry Kimberley in a defensive rovers role. It proved so successful in the first semi-final, while the Lions may elect to tag him.



The tenseness of last Saturday's second semi-final shows on the faces of Subiaco full-forward Laurie Keene and his Sharks opponent Bryce Forman.



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SUBI HAVE TO BEAT HOODOO

SUBIACO and Swan Districts have met only three times in finals and the Lions record is shocking — they have never beaten Swans.

Their final round meetings read like this: In the preliminary final of the under-age year of 1943 Swans won 13.17 to 7.11; in the preliminary final of 1961 Swans won 16.19 to 15.9 and in the first semi final of 1974 the black and whites completed the hat trick, 13.21 to 11.10.

Subiaco won the first-ever preliminary final played in 1931 when they beat East Perth by a point.

HECTIC END

TWENTY-eight years ago, in 1957, the preliminary final had a sensational ending.

East Fremantle had been well behind all day, but stormed home to take a 10-point lead with less than a minute to go when a small boy impersonated the siren. This triggered off a chain reaction that had spectators swarming all over the oval. Some of the players, including East Fremantle captain-coach Steve Marsh, even left the ground. The central umpire, Cliff Fitzpatrick (father of Mike), tried frantically to keep the oval clear and after some minutes, the game was restarted, but no further score came in the last 45 seconds. Very prominent in the Shark revival that day was Oscar Howard, now an around-the-ground commentator with 6PR.

COACHING DUO

SOMETHING unique about this Saturday's final — it brings together the two most experienced coaches. Never in the 100 years of WA football in any game, final or qualifying round, has there been two more experienced coaches in the terms of games coached. For John Todd, it's about his 377th game and for Haydn Bunton his tally is approximately 590 in WA and SA. Throw in their games as State coaches and it's the first time the coaches

have over 1000 senior games between them. A victory for Swans will take Todd's record to 202 wins to beat Jerry Dolan's record of wins in senior football.

TOP KICKS

THIS Saturday we should see the long-distance kicking competition, postponed from last week. I was asked to draw up a list of long kicks, but found this could be quite controversial.

It's hard to separate those who were accurately measured from those that were 'stepped' out. So, if you choose to disbelieve these, that's OK by me.

In 1895 Fremantle player F. Cooper was credited with place kicking the ball 91 yards. I've read where Austin Robertson senior place-kicked 98 yards in 1941, but let's take one that was measured in a kicking competition in 1964. Subiaco full-back Brian Sarre drop-kicked 78 yards, a feat he performed regularly in the course of a game each Saturday. In a long kicking competition in 1948, another Subiaco player beat a star-studded field — Bill Alderman, whose drop kick into the breeze, measured 71 yards.

Melbourne's Channel Seven commentator Lou Richards claims to have stepped out one of John Duckworth's prodigious kicks for Fitzroy against Collingwood one day. He made it 93 yards, but Lou doesn't always tell the truth.

In Victoria, some long kicks have been recorded, a place kick to Albert (the great) Thurgood of Essendon at practice one night is said to have travelled 107 yards. Bernie (Superboot) Quinlan in 1966 was credited with a drop kick of 85 yards and the same year Collingwood and later Claremont player Colin Tully punt-kicked 78 yards.

My tip for the one to watch this Saturday is Perth's Ray Holden!

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IAN MILLER

Brehaut deserves extension

IT HAS been a frustrating year for East Perth's Greg Brehaut, but the club has given him total support by extending his contract until the end of 1987.

This will give Brehaut the opportunity to build on the work he has started. With a little luck, he could have won even more games this year.

He suffered major injuries to good players and only needs these players fit, plus perhaps a couple of good experienced players to make the Royals a force again.

South Fremantle's decision to appoint Don Haddow for two years must be a relief to him. I believe he learnt a lot and deserves the opportunity as he is in a similar position to Brehaut with many talented young players at his disposal.

I stated previously that a one-year term was not enough, so now Haddow, with full support, has the job ahead of him of getting the Bulldogs up.

FOOTBALL EDUCATION

LAST Saturday six school teachers were out on the field, three on each side so the Education Department were well represented. And for good measure, both captains are teachers, so I guess the Subi trio were glad there was no school this week.

TOP TWO

THE two players who have dominated Claremont's individual awards this season had a close struggle for the fairest and best with Peter Davidson winning by 11 votes, received in the last game of the year, to tip out runner-up Michael Mitchell. It was a season of two halves, Mitchell dominated the first and Davidson the second. They are two of the most exciting players in WA and Mitchell, in particular, had another outstanding season finishing runner-up in the Sandover Medal and was one of the few home based WA players to perform with distinction in both interstate games this season.

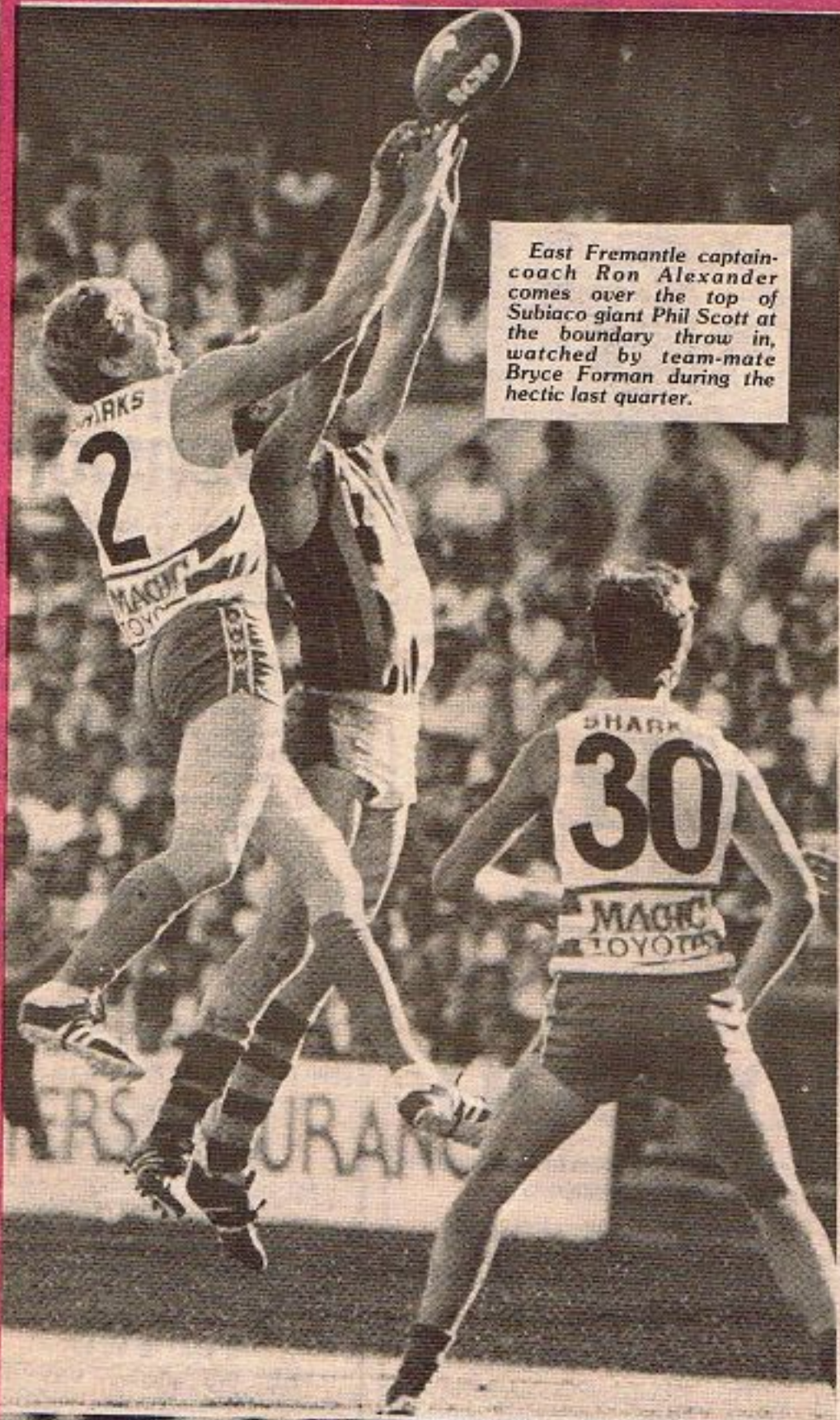
MORE INVOLVED

ONE of the players of the future is East Fremantle's Andrew Lockyer. He was a solid contributor at centre-half-forward and full-forward last week, but from the times I have seen him this year he needs to be involved much more. He has a tendency to fade out of the game and really needs to improve his concentration. From one game in 1984 he has come a long way this year. He is only 20 and has a good physique, plus very good marking and kicking ability and could improve further by learning to turn onto his other foot. He can be a big plus in the grand final, but will need to work for four quarters.

SUBI'S METHOD

EAST Fremantle's experience finally told at the finish of a very enjoyable second semi-final. But their method up forward would have to improve for the grand final. Subiaco are to be congratulated not just for their competitive effort, but for the fact that they stuck to their team method of play all day. They made many mistakes, but kept up the positive approach and will improve after the first finals appearance for many players. Interesting to note that there were eight goal-scorers on each side, but rovers did not figure prominently in them.

EMU EXPORT LAG



East Fremantle captain-coach Ron Alexander comes over the top of Subiaco giant Phil Scott at the boundary throw in, watched by team-mate Bryce Forman during the hectic last quarter.



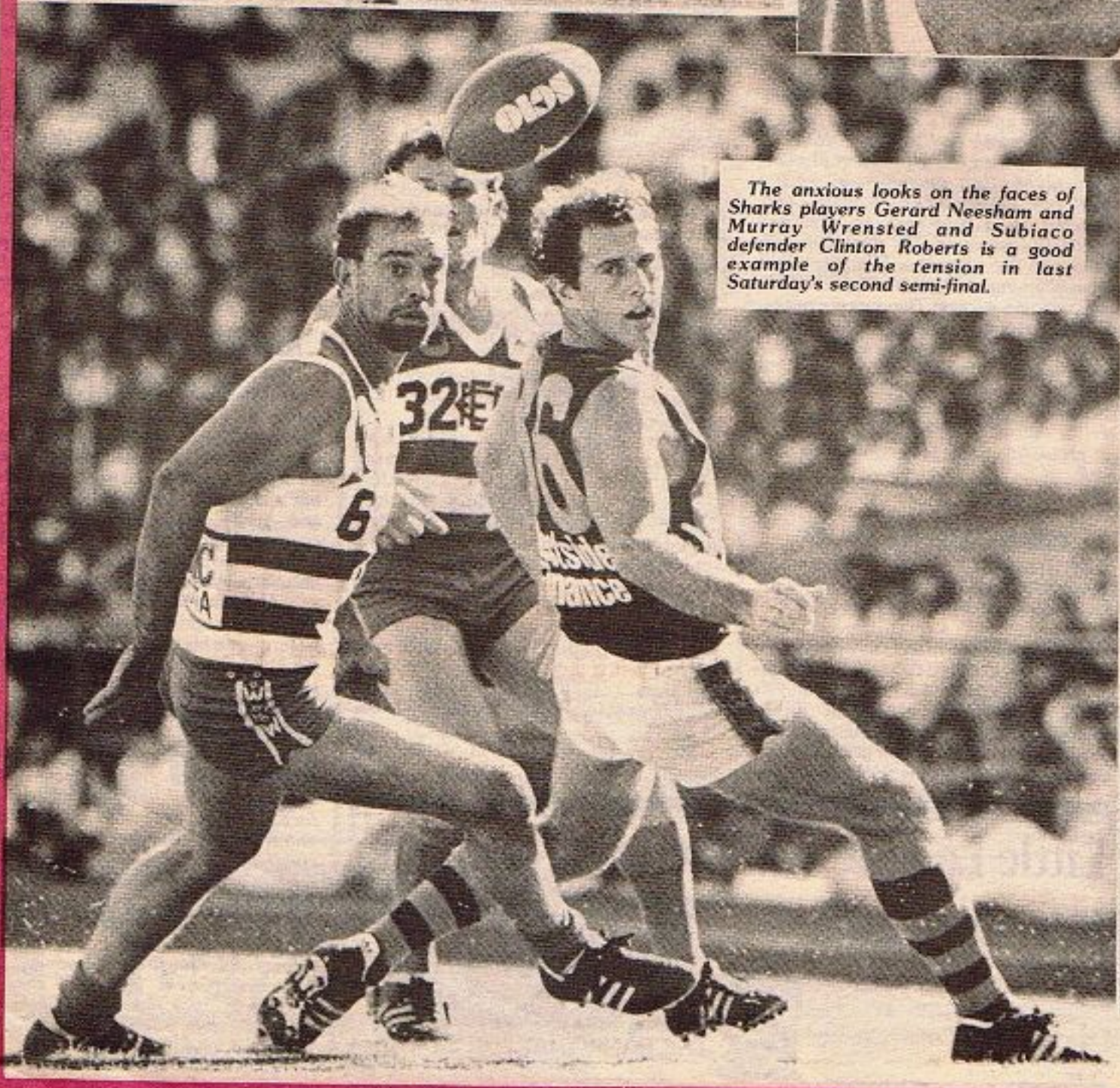
Rival coaches Haydn Bunton (left) and Ron Alexander (right) lay down the law to their respective charges



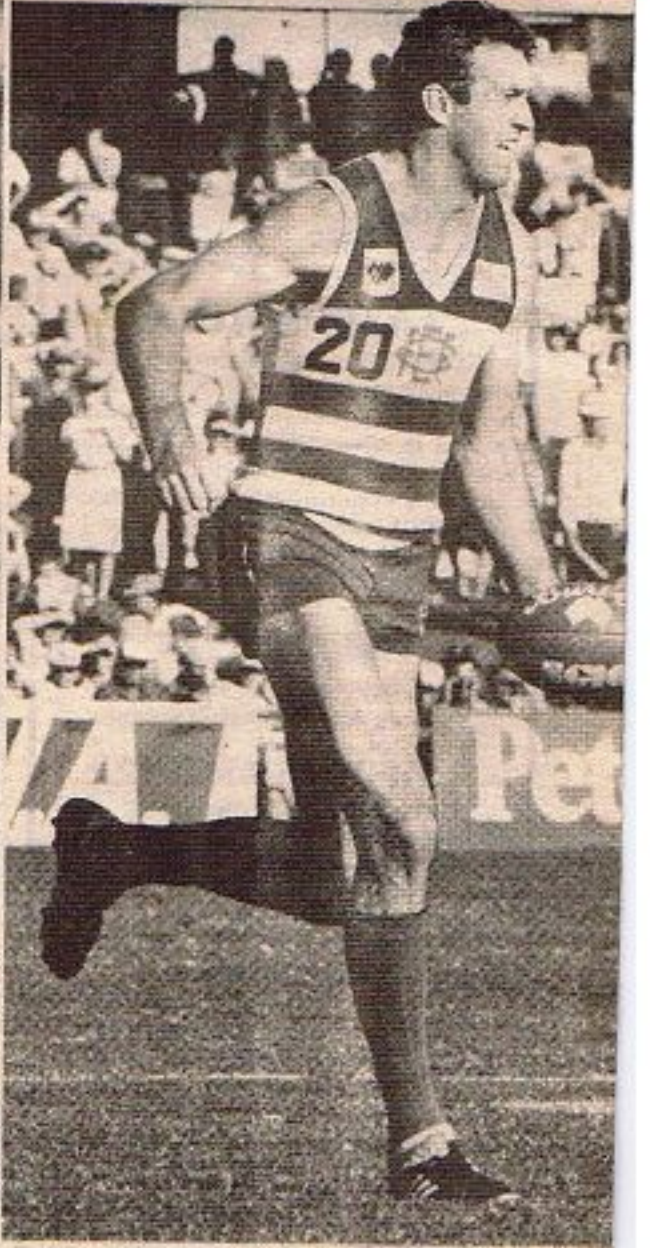
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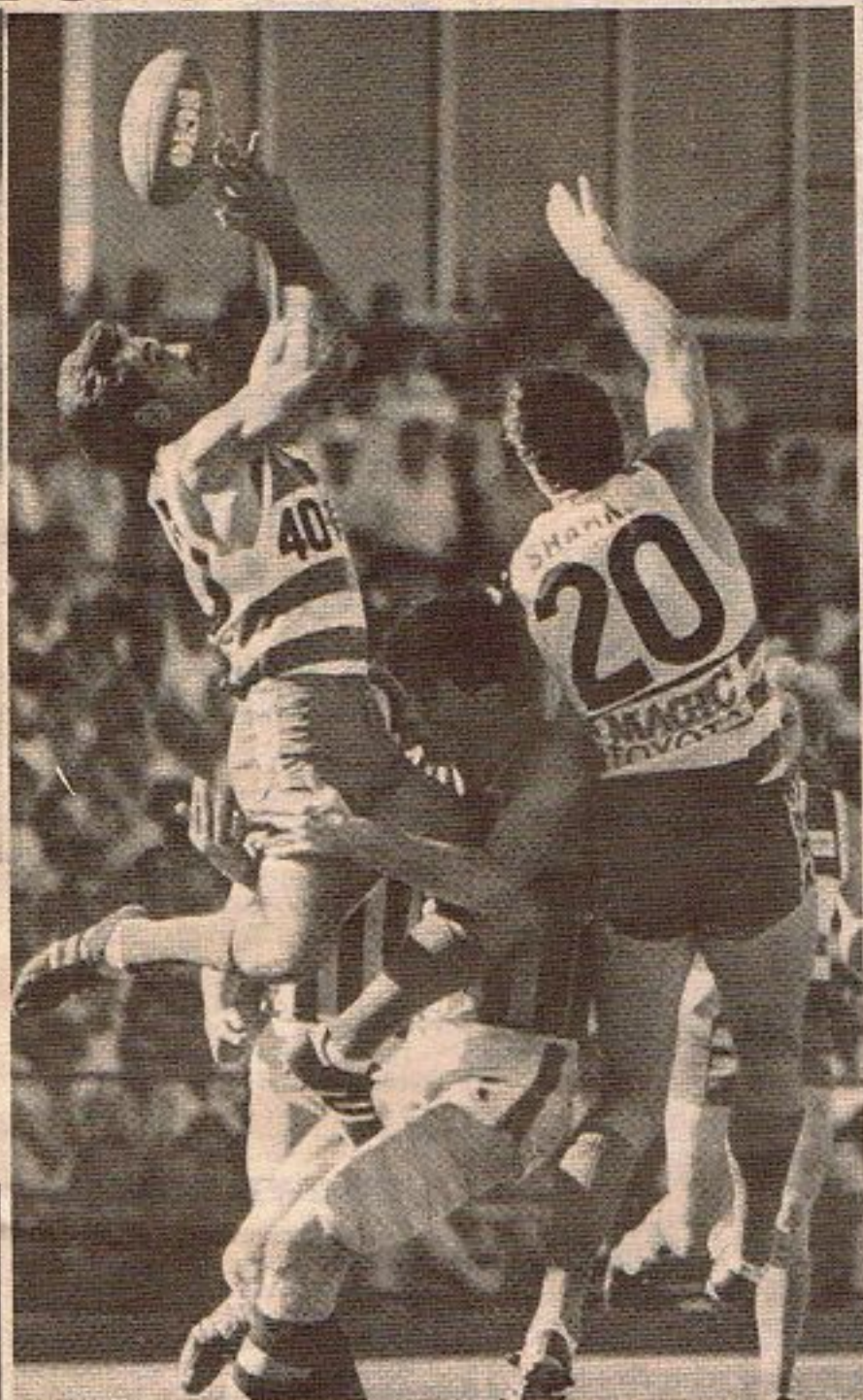


The anxious looks on the faces of Sharks players Gerard Neesham and Murray Wrensted and Subiaco defender Clinton Roberts is a good example of the tension in last Saturday's second semi-final.

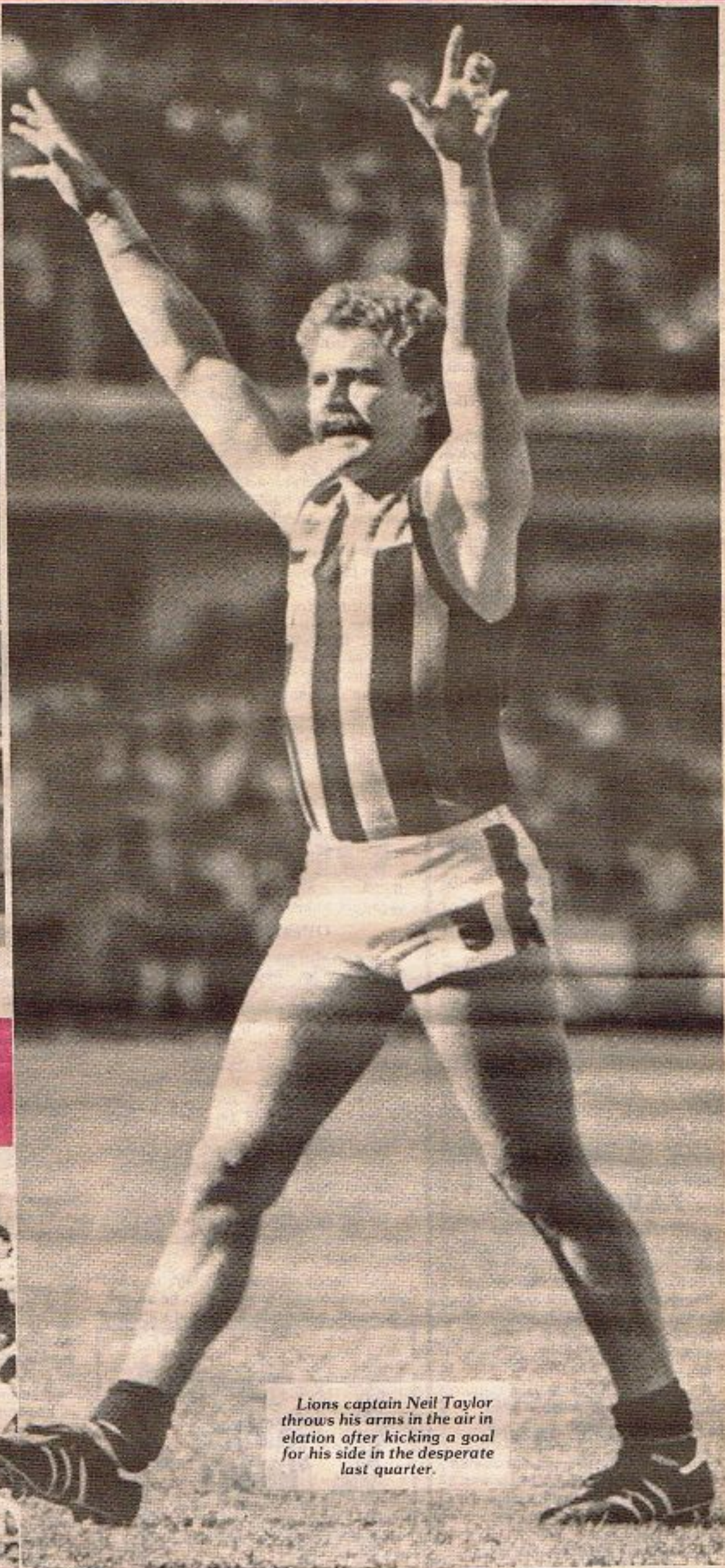


Versatile Sharks key position player Colin Wren heads downfield with a look of determination on his face.

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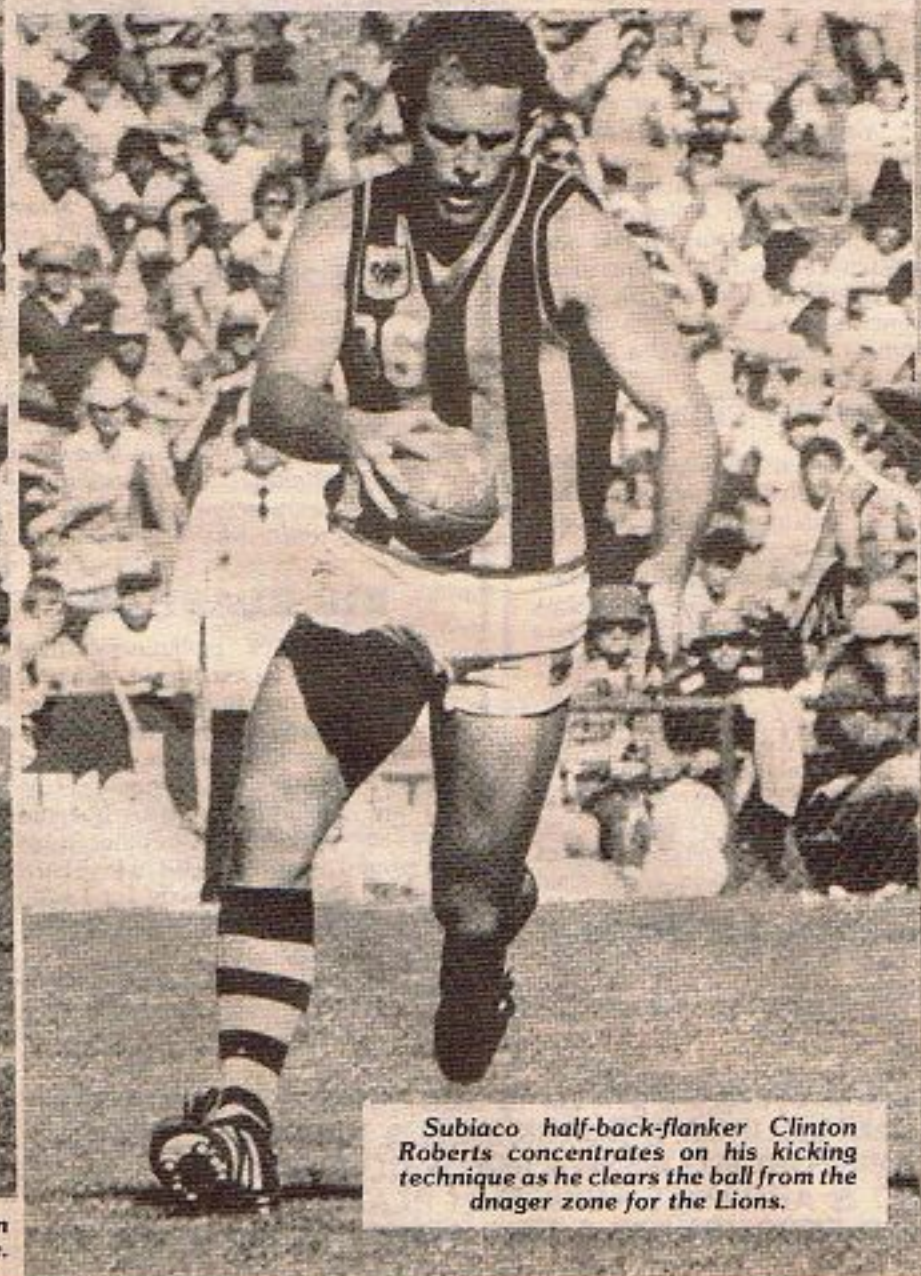


Subiaco ruckman Phil Scott is the meat in this Shark sandwich. George Christie is perfectly poised to mark, while Colin Waterson times his leap late.



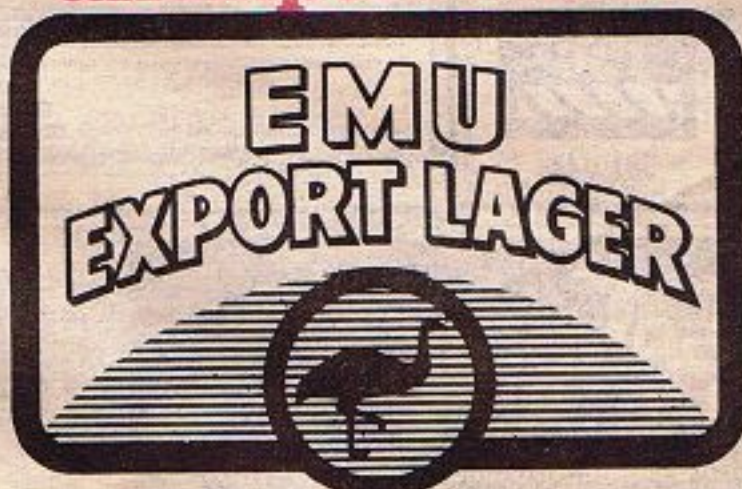
Lions captain Neil Taylor throws his arms in the air in elation after kicking a goal for his side in the desperate last quarter.

I ACTION



Subiaco half-back-flanker Clinton Roberts concentrates on his kicking technique as he clears the ball from the danger zone for the Lions.

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Plenty of Sharks talent

THERE is no shortage of talent in the East Fremantle colts side and many players in the team look set to be strong contenders for regular reserves selection in 1986.

There are some promising ruckmen showing potential in the colts, with Ken Seymour a player destined for league ranks.

Seymour has shown his versatility in his handful of reserves matches, playing in key defensive and attacking positions.

Guy Terpsis and Wayne Henley are hard working ruckmen who will need to work very hard to reach league football.

Versatile players, Mark Amaranti, Stephen Edgar, Chris Waterman, Garth Sorrell, Jon Derecourt and Tony Reeves have proven their ability in a variety of positions.

Amaranti, the 1985 Medallists Medal winner, is a fierce competitor in the centre and noted for being a superb tackler.

Edgar has already had a taste of league football playing four games during the season as a wingman or roving.

Waterman and Sorrell are skilful players with excellent ball-getting ability and are names to remember for the future.

Derecourt and Reeves have combined well as ruck-rovers and have big appetites for hard work.

The two wingmen in the side, Robert Weber and Gavin Miller, have impressive speed and their foot disposal into the forward line this season has been excellent.

Talented key forward Michael Broadbridge is a player many close observers at East Fremantle Oval believe is not far away from league selection.

He was selected in the All Australian Teal Cup side this year and is a very skilful player.

FAVOURITES

EAST Fremantle have had the better of South Fremantle in two of their three clashes this season and go into the preliminary final as slight favourites.

South will be determined to come back strongly after the disappointment of the second semi-final and will meet a confident Sharks side fresh from a weeks rest.

It should be a classic derby encounter between two evenly talented sides.

DANGER-MAN

PROMISING South Fremantle league forward Allen Jakovich was a surprise inclusion in the Bulldogs colts side last week and his league experience came in handy.

The talented goalkicker kicked four goals and made the most of his limited opportunities.



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SUNDAY SCENE

DAILY NEWS football writer KIM HAGDORN
looks at the Sunday Football League.

RUCK CLASH TO DECIDE PREMIERSHIP

KIM Bingham faces the biggest test of his career on Sunday when he leads the Willetton ruck against reigning premiers Kalamunda in the 1985 SFL grand final, at John Dunn Oval in Kelmscott.

Bingham (27), who joined the Blues in 1979 when they entered Sunday football ranks from amateurs, will have his fourth confrontation in six weeks with Kalamunda strongman Kevin Ferguson.

And the significance of their contest is that when Ferguson was a clear winner of their first clash on August 11, the Cougars notched an incredible 124-point victory in the last qualifying game of the year.

But since that day, Bingham has been the victor of big man clashes in their two finals appointments where Willetton have recorded successive wins to give them passage into a first-ever grand final.

The result of their clash will have a significant bearing on who collects the '85 honours.

Both sides have every incentive to claim the title.

Cougars coach Steve Gillespie will play what must surely be his last game of football and Willetton are seeking their first senior flag.

The respective sides boast talented, creative small players, who will anxiously await very opportunity presented by their respective big men.

Ferguson warmed for his battle with Bingham in a superb display of ruck work over four quarters last week.

OPPORTUNITIES

He provided many opportunities for Ric Ellard, who was used in a roving role rather than in the centre, Glen O'Rourke, who took over from Ellard in the middle and Brent Williams, one of Kalamunda's most reliable players in their four finals appearances.

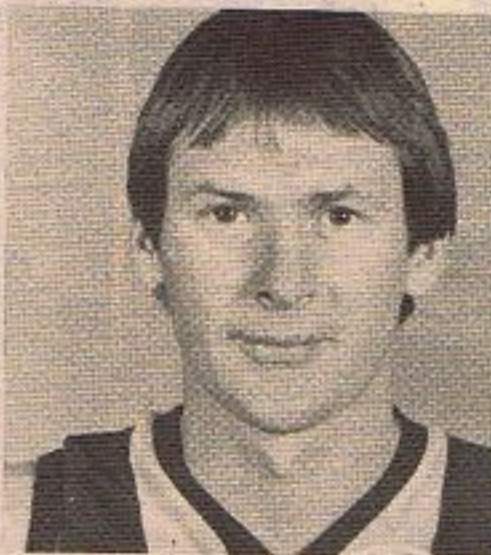
Bingham is one of three Willetton players who will be returning to their former home ground on Sunday to do battle for the title.

Blues skipper Kim Barrett and Graham Davidson are also former Bulldogs.

Barrett has double incentive to perform on Sunday.

He will be looking to celebrate his 100th appearance for the Blues by receiving the premiership flag.

Kalamunda earned the right to meet Willetton in what promises to be an epic encounter, when they withstood a spirited



Rod Brown... a key Kalamunda player.

challenge from Osborne Park last week.

The Saints kicked themselves out of premiership contention in the second and final quarters against the Cougars.

Kalamunda repelled many promising Saints forward moves with stout defence from former Swan Districts pair Rod Brown and Dennis O'Rourke, Robbie Gaunt and Allan McGagh.

Osborne Park will regret the unforced errors they made when going into attack and numerous missed shots at goal when they were within striking distance in the final term.

The pressure Kalamunda's mid-fielders and following division applied to their less-experienced Saints opponents was a contributing factor in their 16-point win.

The Cougars can expect Willetton to use the ball better and with more authority than Osborne Park forwards did last week.

Willetton's recent dominance over the reigning title holders has been a supremacy around the packs when the ball hits the ground.

Chris Gibbs, Doug Gibb, Mark Butler, Graham Davidson, Randall Prowse and Dave Frazer have formed an effective following brigade that Gillespie will think heavily about before Sunday.

Willetton will be bolstered with the selection availability of followers Peter McGilvray and Keith Sheppard and hard working defender Ken Dixon from injury and Ray Greenwell after serving a two week suspension.

Kalamunda will also have a healthy selection problem.

INJURY-FREE

Apart from general soreness to many of their top players after four successive finals appearances, Kalamunda have remained relatively injury free.

They have back-up ruckman Mark Buscombe, Marty Wattleworth (knee), and pacy wingers Don Maiklem and Dave Anderton making determined efforts to be available.

At times the Cougars have been unimpressive, but have managed their way into Sunday's encounter on sheer grit.

Last week big Gary Armstrong, Rod Brown, Gillespie, Glen O'Rourke and Gerry Cotter all overcame niggling injuries to play vital roles in their grand final qualification.

That professional, disciplined leadership from the top, will see Kalamunda to back-to-back titles.



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

MOTHER BROWN

Now for the Prime Medal

IT is good to see the reserves competition receiving support this year through the sponsorship of Prime Computers. Throughout the season Prime have made available awards for the best player in each series and the last series winner was Swan Districts' Ken Marshall. In the grand final on Saturday week, the fairest and best player in the match will win the first Prime Medal.

The reserves competition is the breeding ground of potential stars and it is good to see those players receiving the support they deserve.

GROWD PUZZLE

IT was disappointing to see such a small crowd turn out for Saturday's second semi-final — being the lowest attendance for such a match since 1977. However, the people who did not go were the big losers. Each week WA fans tune in to shows like The Winners, on the ABC, to watch VFL highlights, but last week's game was as good a contest as you would like to see. Hopefully this week's preliminary final will live up to the high standards.



Ron Alexander Peter Featherby

EXPERIENCE TELLS

THE advantage of experience in final round football has rarely been better highlighted than in last Saturday's big game, East Fremantle captain-coach Ron Alexander and Subiaco centreman Peter Featherby must have been a big help to the younger players in their respective sides. Featherby led the way for Subiaco right from the outset and it was noticeable that when Alexander was on the ground his side looked more at ease. Both players were outstanding, especially considering the weather conditions under which the game was played.

BIG CLASHES

SATURDAY'S preliminary final promises to be an exciting clash and it will be interesting to see who Subiaco choose to play on Garry Sidebottom. Michael Crutchfield played strongly at full-back last week and he should get the job but Sidebottom's strength could pose some problems. At the other end of the ground Swans will need to look hard to find a suitable opponent for Laurie Keene. Perhaps the assignment could be give to Peter Sartori.



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FAIREST AND BEST AWARDS

THIS season's fairest and best vote counts throughout the metropolitan competitions have seen a mixture of new players emerging, as well as some past achievers continuing to do well.

Among the winners two players again stood out — Andrew Carter, of the Kingsley junior football club (in Subiaco's Wanneroo junior football league) and Dianella's Ben Stewart (East Perth junior council).

Both players have won their grade's top award for the past four seasons. Andrew has attracted 112 umpires' votes in that time, while Ben has received 110. An outstanding record.

Following are the details on how the voting for each junior council and association in the metropolitan area has gone for season '85.

CLAREMONT

Voting in Claremont's 13s grade ended in a tie. Michael Hutton, the runner-up, won the 12s fairest and best last year. Following is the 1985 voting details.

13s: Michael Vidali (Claremont) and Neil Holliday (Scarborough) 25 each; Michael Hutton (City Beach/Floreat) 21. 14s: Alec Yarran (Karrinyup) 32; Michael Thorpe (Dalkeith/Nedlands) 21. 15s: Ashley Penfold (Scarborough) 21; David Kagi (Churchlands/Wembley) 18.

EAST FREMANTLE

East Fremantle's Glen Davies had an excellent season, polling 35 out of a possible 39 votes to win the 13s Blue division voting. He beat Kane Morphet, who defeated Glen in 1983 for the 11s Blue medal. Kane also won the 12s top award last year.

All-Australian schoolboy Mathew Bateman comfortably won the 15s Blue medal and in the 15s White a three-way tie eventuated for runner-up. Following are this season's voting details.

13s White: Matthew Fic (Applecross) 25; Andrew Byfield (Palmyra) 18. 13s Blue: Glen Davies (East Fremantle) 35; Kane Morphet (Willetton) 28. 15s White: Kim Sibosado (Rossmoyne) 16; Michael Green (Riverton), Sebastian Donovan (East Fremantle), and Karl Dimario (Thornlie Green) 15 each. 15s Blue: Mathew Bateman (Thornlie) 33; Dwayne Regan (East Fremantle) 25. 17s: Peter Richardson (Melville) 18; David Miller (East Fremantle) 14.

EAST PERTH

East Perth's junior star of the '80s is Ben Stewart, of the Dianella club. Ben has been unbeatable in the past four seasons in junior council voting. He has amassed 110 umpires' votes since 1982 when he won the 11s fairest and best.

John Marrapodi, of St. Marks, was runner up for a medal for the second year running. In 1983 he won the 13s award. This year's 13s voting brought about a three-way tie for runner up and the 17s count resulted in a two-way tie for runner up.

Following are the 1985 voting details: 13s: Marco Tassone (Mt Lawley/Inglewood) 24; Michael Martella (Mt Lawley/Inglewood), Chris Martin (Morley Police and Citizens' Youth Club), and Jason Beaton (Swanleigh) 20 each. 14s: Ben Stewart (Dianella) 25; Andrew Harrison (Bayswater) 22. 15s: Murray Amoduri (Bedford) 22; John Marrapodi (St. Marks) 18. 17s: John Edmondson (St. Marks) 22; Anthony Lenzo (East Perth/Highgate) and Lloyd Haskett (Morley Police and Citizens' Youth Club) 12 each.

PERTH

The Perth junior council voting this season was the closest for many years. There was a tie for fairest and best in the 17s and the biggest winning margin of the four grades was only three votes. Two team-mates battled out the 13s award.

Following are the details:

11s: Geoffrey Ryder (Collier) 24; Chilton Yarran (Canning) 21. 13s: Glen Davies (East Vic Park) 23; Peter Valenti (East Vic Park) 22. 15s: Darren Crowder (Carlisle) 19; John Valentino (East Vic Park) 17. 17s: Simon Moss (Carlisle) and Michael Ward (Centrals) 16 each.

SOUTH FREMANTLE

Voting in the South Fremantle junior council was keenly contested. Paul Wirth, of the Rockingham club, who was best afield recently when his team won the premierships, was the junior council's biggest winner when he won the 17s award by six votes.

The 12s Red division saw a tie for runner up. Following are the 1985 voting details.

12s Red: Con Dinov (Willagee) 24; Paul Burton (South Fremantle) and Richard Mundy (Cockburn) 23 each. 12s White: David Simms (Cockburn) 25; Jeremy Rulc (Baldivis) 24. 14s Red: Bruce Fulton (Cockburn) 20; David Pensabene (Christian Brothers' College) 18. 14s White: Warwick Cantrell (Warnbro) 30; Craig Mackean (Hilton) 27. 16s: Paul Wirth (Rockingham) 31; Christopher Salmeri (Kwinana) 25.

SUBIACO'S WANNEROO

Five top vote pollers over recent years in Subiaco's Wanneroo junior football league again impressed the umpires this season. They are Andrew Carter, Raymond Riches, Jeffrey Gadene, Darren Cutten and Stevan Hill.

Andrew Carter, the brother of South Fremantle league defender Gavin Carter, continued his faultless career by winning his fourth consecutive junior league medal. He has amassed 112 umpires' votes in that period.

Andrew's 'bridesmaid' for the past two seasons is Raymond Riches. Although Raymond improved by one vote this season, he was still four votes in arrears to Andrew.

Jeffrey Gadene, who was runner up last year to the 14s medal, won the 15s count this season. His runner up was Darren Cutten, who was runner up in the 13s Gold voting in 1983.

Koondoola's Stevan Hill won his second consecutive fairest and best when he took out the 17s top award this season. Last year he won the 15s count.

Scott Morgan, of the Koondoola junior football club, polled 32 votes to win the 12s Maroon medal and also the junior league's 'Player of the Year' award with this year's highest vote tally.

Following are the 1985 voting details:

12s Gold: Stephen Trewella (Ocean Ridge) 22; Peter Marvelli (Girrawheen) 20. 12s Maroon: Scott Morgan (Koondoola) 32; Kerran Jefferies (Kingsley Red) 21. 13s: Gary Burden (Ocean Ridge) 28; Shane Skidmore (Warwick Black) 17. 14s: Andrew Carter (Kingsley) 24; Raymond Riches (Whitford Lions) 20. 15s: Jeffrey Gadene (Warwick Black) 20; Darren Cutten (Ocean Ridge) 18. 17s: Stevan Hill (Koondoola) 26; Michael Cross (Whitford) 14.

SWAN DISTRICTS

The Swan Districts junior council has a system where medal winners are not published until each club has held its trophy presentation. Junior council fairest and best winners are not publicly announced until each winner is presented his award at his club's presentation.

Unfortunately not every club has held its presentation, so the voting details are unable to be published.

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WEST PERTH

This year's West Perth junior council voting brought about some big wins. The 11s was won by 13 votes, the 14s by 12 votes, and the 13s, 15s and 17s all by five votes. Rhys Croxford, who was runner up to the 11s medal last year, won this season's count. Last year's 12s winner, Andrew Figliomeni, repeated the achievement in the 13s grade this season when his runner up was Jason Colbung, who won the 11s top award in 1983.

For the second consecutive year the Balga junior football club won the 'Championclub' award. Following are this year's voting details:

11s: Rhys Croxford (Westminster Balga) 31; Warren Roberts (Balga) 18. 12s: Dean Brunton (North Dianella) 25; Jason Morrison (Balga) 23. 13s: Andrew Figliomeni (Osborne Park) 25; Jason Colbung (Lockridge) 20. 14s: Grant Garlett (North Innisloo) 32; Anthony Monterosso (Cardinals) 20. 15s: Ross Nicolaidis (North Dianella) 15; Terrence Mills (Lockridge) 20. 17s: Nick Milic (Nollamara) 20; Stephen Munro (Osborne Park) 15.

HILLS ASSOCIATION

Mathew Sproston, of the Bullsbrook junior football club, was the only winner or runner-up in the Hills association voting this season who was not new to the list of high vote receivers. Mathew was runner-up last year to the 12s award which he won this season.

Following are the 1985 voting details:

12s: Mathew Sproston (Bullsbrook) 24; Wayne Huckson (Wooroloo) 24. 14s: Michael Italiano (Mundaring) 24; Michael Castledine (Bullsbrook) 23. 16s: Andrew Chalmers (Parkerville) 28; Bruno Italiano (Mazenod) 22.

TIGER CUP

A countback could not separate two players for this season's Tiger Cup vote count. Woodlands' captain Ryan Dhue tied on 13 votes with Churchlands/Wembley's Edward Osborne.

Following are the fairest and best players of each team in this year's competition by the Claremont football club. Michael Rowney (Churchlands/Wembley); Nick Morgan (Claremont/Swanbourne Hawks); Darren Jones (Karrinyup); Richard Toovey (Marist); Mathew Buttsworth (North Beach); Kyle Neaves (Wembley Downs) and Ross Bartley (Woodlands).



Little League action from last Saturday.

Swans are on top

SWAN Districts and Subiaco have qualified for this season's grand final of the R and I Little League, after winning their respective semi-finals last Saturday.

The two teams will play for the Little League flag during the half-time break of the Swan Districts-Subiaco preliminary final clash this Saturday.

The black and whites qualified for the grand final with a strong victory over East Fremantle, 3.4 to two points.

Best players for Swans were Varney, Tobin and Dower, while Bray, Catallini and Houvon played well for the Sharks.

Subiaco were on target in their win over East Perth, scoring three straight goals to 1.1.

The three best players for the Lions were Jason King, Bradley Hiscock and Mark Barnett.

Best for East Perth were Kuzich, Stiff and Fitzgerald.

Swan Districts used 415 players in Little League matches this season and finished at the top of the ladder at the end of the qualifying rounds.

HILLS COLTS

The Hills junior football association began its colts finals last Sunday when Darlington met Mount Helena in the first semi-final. The former won 15.7 to 9.9.

Mundaring face Pickering Brook in the second semi-final to be held this Sunday at Wundowie Oval, starting at 10am.

Last Sunday Mundaring played a combined team from the South Fremantle district colts and went down 22.21 to 5.10.



THE CONTESTANTS



SWAN DISTRICTS — How they performed in the 1st Semi

1 TONY SOLIN. Age 28. Height 183cm (6'0"). Weight 76kg (12.0). Club games 107.
A tough competitor who showed great courage to play in the first semi-final after injuring his ankle in the last qualifying match of the season.

2 KEVIN TAYLOR. Age 26. Height 177cm (5'10"). Weight 75kg (11.9). Club games 143.
Proved once again that he is a big game player, with a brilliant roving display against West Perth. Has an uncanny goal sense.



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5 GARRY SIDEBOTTOM. Age 30. Height 190cm (6'3"). Weight 100kg (15.10). Club games 206.

Showed his class with a superb nine-goal performance in the first semi-final. Is the key to the Swans forward line.

6 LEIGH BRENTON. Age 27. Height 177cm (5'10"). Weight 81kg (12.12). Club games 120.

Injuries to Joe Ahmat and Danny Penny in the first semi-final have strengthened his chances of playing in the preliminary final. His experience on the wing will be welcomed.

7 PETER HODYL. Age 23. Height 177cm (5'10"). Weight 74kg (11.9). Club games 20.

Talented utility player who would be an able replacement if injuries occur.



Brenton

Fogarty

8 PETER SARTORI. Age 20. Height 194cm (6'4½"). Weight 89kg (14.0). Club games 61.
Outstanding young player who came through the first semi after injury problems. His agility for a big man makes him a key at centre-half back.

9 KEITH NARKLE. Age 32. Height 170cm (5'7"). Weight 66kg (10.7). Club games 254.
Veteran wingman who still possesses magical skills. His experience will be invaluable if selected in the preliminary final.

10 BRENT HUTTON. Age 21. Height 185cm (6'1"). Weight 80kg (12.8). Club games 66.
Now back to his 1984 form in the forward line. His marking ability gives Swans another alternative to goal.



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HOW THEY GOT THERE

SWAN Districts showed enough in the first semi-final against West Perth to suggest that they will be very hard to beat in the preliminary final. The finals experience of the majority of the Swans players was evident from the first bounce against the Falcons. Swans know what is required to win pressure-packed finals matches and this tough combination will be a very competitive unit on Saturday. Coach John Todd has timed his team's preparation superbly and Subiaco will know they have been in a game of football by 5pm on Saturday. Full forward Garry Sidebottom will again be a key and he cannot be allowed as much room to move as he got in the first semi-final.

11 DON LANGSFORD. Age 25. Height 185cm (6'1"). Weight 81kg (12.11). Club games 159.

Leads by example with his unobtrusive, but very effective style of football. His finals experience again came to the fore a fortnight ago.

12 GAVIN OUTRIDGE. Age 23. Height 177cm (5'10"). Weight 75kg (11.11). Club games 41.

Has shaken off injury problems which have hampered him for most of the season. Will be pushing hard for selection on a half-back flank.



Mullooly

Outridge

13 BILL SKWIROWSKI. Age 29. Height 181cm (5'11"). Weight 74kg (11.9). Club games 167.

Veteran backman who showed he thrives on finals football, with a fine performance in the first semi-final. Best tagger in the league.

14 DANNY PENNY. Age 18. Height 177cm (5'10"). Weight 74kg (11.8). Club games 11.
Unluckily injured in the first semi-final and may take no further part in the finals series. Swans will miss his speed and skills on the wing.



Simms

Hetherington

15 WAYNE SIMMS. Age 25. Height 195cm (6'4½"). Weight 97kg (15.4). Club games 79.
Injuries have hampered his football in his first season at Bassendean. Is on stand-by for Mick Johns in the finals.

16 KIM HETHERINGTON. Age 24. Height 185cm (6'1"). Weight 76kg (12.0). Club games 79.

Dashing defender who kept brilliant West Perth half-forward Derek Kickett relatively quiet in the first semi-final.



Johns

Rance

17 KEN MARSHALL. Age 26. Height 183cm (6'0"). Weight 86kg (13.8). Club games 105.
Will find it difficult to regain his place in the in-form Swans forward line. Excellent stand-by if injuries occur.

18 MURRAY RANCE. Age 23. Height 190cm (6'3"). Weight 85kg (13.5). Club games 110.
Played with his old confidence at centre-half-forward in the first semi-final. A key player in Swans hopes of recording their fourth consecutive flag.



Skwirowski

Richardson

19 MICK JOHNS. Age 27. Height 195cm (6'5"). Weight 93kg (14.9). Club games 119.
Another manful performance in the ruck in the first semi-final. His capacity to ruck all day is a big advantage to Swans.

20 STEVE RICHARDSON. Age 26. Height 180cm (5'11"). Weight 78kg (12.4). Club games 44.

Showed that he is back to form with a lively performance in the second half against West Perth, after coming off the interchange bench.



Maher

Allen

21 TOM MULLOOLY. Age 31. Height 184cm (6'1"). Weight 86kg (13.8). Club games 244.
This veteran full-back thrives in the finals atmosphere. His close-checking tactics gives his opponents little room to move.

24 ANDY MAHER. Age 25. Height 184cm (6'1"). Weight 86kg (13.8). Club games 11.
Close-checking defender who has struggled for league recognition. One of several Swans players who would make an able replacement if injuries occur.



Kimberley

Ware

25 CHRIS ALLEN. Age 26. Height 177cm (5'10"). Weight 76kg (12.0). Club games 134.

Struggled on a wing in the first semi-final and is more suited to a ruck-roving role. Is an excellent reader of the game.

26 BARRY KIMBERLEY. Age 28. Height 172cm (5'8"). Weight 76kg (12.0). Club games 136.

Played the loose man in defence in the first semi-final to perfection. Has a huge appetite for hard work.

27 JON FOGARTY. Age 25. Height 185cm (6'1"). Weight 80kg (12.8). Club games 132.

This tough experienced finals campaigner was in the thick of the action in the first semi-final. His versatility makes him a valuable player.

30 JOE AHMAT. Age 22. Height 180cm (5'11"). Weight 76kg (12.0). Club games 25.

Unluckily injured in the first semi-final and may struggle to regain fitness. His speed and classy skills will be a big loss to Swans if he is unavailable.

31 PETER WARE. Age 25. Height 180cm (5'11"). Weight 86kg (13.8). Club games 59.

Returned to his dashing best out of defence against West Perth. Begins many promising attacks for his side from the back pocket.

32 TERRY HOLTZMAN. Age 25. Height 188cm (6'2"). Weight 73kg (11.7). Club games 1.

Unlucky to miss selection for the first semi-final and may be given an opportunity in the preliminary final with injuries to wingmen Joe Ahmat and Danny Penny.

33 DON HOLMES. Age 26. Height 180cm (5'11"). Weight 77kg (12.2). Club games 113.

Showed his ability once again in finals football, with a five-goal haul against the Falcons. His speed and anticipation around the forward line makes him a danger player for other sides.

34 ROBERT GRAY. Age 19. Height 185cm (6'1"). Weight 82.5kg (13.0). Club games 6.

Showed promise on the wing midway through the season and is a candidate for the preliminary final with injuries to wingmen Joe Ahmat and Danny Penny.

36 KEVIN CATON. Age 20. Height 183cm (6'0"). Weight 76kg (12.0). Club games 27.

Always looked dangerous when he got the ball against West Perth and his pace and marking ability will worry whoever opposes him in the preliminary final.

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THE CONTESTANTS



SUBIACO — How they performed in the 2nd Semi

1 PETER FEATHERBY. Age 33. Height 185cm (6.1). Weight 81kg (12.10). Club games 293.

Showed his younger team-mates the way in the second semi-final. He is a key player in the Lions against the experienced Swans midfielders.



N. Taylor Featherby

2 NEIL TAYLOR. Age 28. Height 174cm (5.8). Weight 73kg (11.7). Club games 180.

Had a quiet game by his normally high standards last Saturday and will be determined to lead his side into the grand final.

3 CLINTON BROWN. Age 23. Height 188cm (6.2). Weight 75kg (11.11). Club games 97.

His height was missed on the half-back-line against East Fremantle and he will be a certain starter this Saturday if he can regain fitness.



B. Taylor C. Brown

4 BRIAN TAYLOR. Age 24. Height 177cm (5.10). Weight 70kg (11.0). Club games 88.

Gave the Lions some extra pace on the ball after being moved from the back pocket at half-time. This versatility is giving the Lions important flexibility during a game.

5 DWAYNE LAMB. Age 23. Height 180cm (5.11). Weight 81kg (12.10). Club games 107.

A solid contributor for the Lions in the second semi-final but not as dominant as usual. Subiaco supporters will be looking for a big effort from their club champion.

6 MICK LEE. Age 23. Height 177cm (5.10). Weight 74kg (11.9). Club games 59.

A shoulder injury caused him to be unavailable for selection in the second semi-final and if fit will be a possible interchange player this Saturday.

7 WARREN DEAN. Age 21. Height 188cm (6.2). Weight 76kg (12.0). Club games 57.

Strong contributor at centre-half-forward last Saturday. His marking ability and long kicking are a danger to Swans.



MacNish Leishman

HOW THEY GOT THERE

DESPITE losing the second semi-final, Subiaco lost no supporters with their courageous performance against East Fremantle. Inexperience cost the young Lions in the final analysis, but they were a little unlucky to lose such a great encounter. Lions coach Haydn Bunton is not panicking about the loss and Subiaco should field an almost identical side in this Saturday's preliminary final. Subiaco proved Swans masters in their last encounter with Laurie Keene being the difference between the two sides. The Lions would have learnt from their first finals appearance and will be a more relaxed unit this Saturday when they attempt to qualify for another crack at the Sharks.



Mort P. Spencer

9 GLEN O'LOUGHLIN. Age 26. Height 175cm (5.9). Weight 67kg (10.7). Club games 33.

Had a quiet match last Saturday and will need to lift his rating against Swans. His tagging ability could be used against Kevin Taylor.

10 STEVE LEISHMAN. Age 28. Height 180cm (5.11). Weight 79kg (12.6). Club games 47.

Gave his side some spark when he came off the interchange bench after half-time. His versatility in defence and attack, makes him a handy player.

11 MICHAEL MORT. Age 20. Height 183cm (6.0). Weight 82kg (13.0). Club games 29.

Wall held in the second semi-final but will have to be watched closely by the Swans defence. Clever player with brilliant goal sense.



Scott Sells

12 PHIL SCOTT. Age 24. Height 193cm (6.4). Weight 91kg (14.5). Club games 54.

Was a lion-hearted performer in the ruck against East Fremantle. Has a big responsibility on his broad shoulders this Saturday.

14 STEPHEN SELLS. Age 22. Height 188cm (6.2). Weight 80kg (12.8). Club games 31.

Started well last Saturday but was well held after a brilliant initial burst. He will have to be watched closely by the Swans defence.

16 PHIL LAMB. Age 27. Height 179cm (5.10½). Weight 71kg (11.3). Club games 180.

Used his pace and marking ability to great effect in the second semi-final. Will be a key player across the centre against Swans.

18 ANDREW MacNISH. Age 20. Height 175cm (5.9). Weight 75kg (11.11). Club games 21.

Had an excellent first half against the Sharks but faded badly after the long break. Will be more relaxed this Saturday now that he has had a taste of finals football.

20 PAUL ROSS. Age 26. Height 198cm (6.6). Weight 87kg (13.10). Club games 26.

Able support ruckman to Phil Scott and Laurie Keene. Unlikely to be picked unless injuries occur.



Dean P. Lamb

22 PETER SPENCER. Age 29. Height 177cm (5.10). Weight 76kg (12.0). Club games 214.

Was a damaging player in the forward line after a slow start. His experience in finals football makes him a key player for his side.

23 MICHAEL CRUTCHFIELD. Age 23. Height 185cm (6.1). Weight 80kg (12.7). Club games 36.

Superb performer at full-back last Saturday, highlighted by several dashing runs. Has the important task of containing the brilliant Garry Sidebottom.



Crutchfield Lee

25 LAURIE KEENE. Age 24. Height 200cm (6.7). Weight 92kg (14.7). Club games 91.

Made the most of his opportunities at full-forward last Saturday with some strong marking. Has saved his best football for matches against Swans this season and again will pose a major threat.

26 ROD WILLET. Age 20. Height 183cm (6.0). Weight 75kg (11.11). Club games 13.

Has shown his versatility playing in defence and attack. Would be an ideal interchange player in the finals.

27 MARK ZANOTTI. Age 21. Height 185cm (6.1). Weight 82kg (13.0). Club games 37.

Young defender with exciting potential. Was overawed in his first final but will be a better player for the experience.

29 GREG WILKINSON. Age 24. Height 190cm (6.3). Weight 82kg (13.0). Club games 63.

Close checking defender who reads the game well. Was down on form in the second semi-final and will be determined to make amends this Saturday.



Zanotti Keene

30 BEVAN WARNER. Age 22. Height 183cm (6.0). Weight 78kg (12.4). Club games 46.

Skillful, well balanced wingman who has excellent disposal. Surprisingly was on the interchange bench in the first half last Saturday and showed his talents when given his opportunity after the long break.

35 KEVAN SPARKS. Age 26. Height 177cm (5.10). Weight 79kg (12.6). Club games 24.

This tough, fearless backman was a solid contributor for the Lions in the second semi-final. His coolness under pressure was a bonus for his side.



Wilkinson Warner

36 CLINTON ROBERTS. Age 27. Height 183cm (6.0). Weight 86kg (13.7). Club games 130.

Experienced defender who performed creditably in the second semi-final. Has been a fine recruit for the Lions this season.

39 LEON PERRY. Age 22. Height 174cm (5.9). Weight 74kg (11.10). Club games 11.

Goal-kicking rover/half-forward who has enjoyed a good introduction to WA football.



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Scarborough reach the grand final

SCARBOROUGH won their way into the 1985 Grand Final with a good win over Trinity-Aquinas, who are once again the bridesmaids.

The first quarter saw Scarborough desperate in their endeavours, whereas Trinity-Aquinas appeared to lack the desire. The scoreboard reading 5-3 to 0-4 at the break.

Trinity's big guns were even having trouble kicking the ball without their usual precision.

The second quarter saw both sides going in and Trinity once again having trouble with kicking and Scarborough would have been happy to hold that lead at half time (8-3 to 3-8).

The third quarter was very similar to the second, with Scarborough scoring 3.0 to Trinity's 2.5.

Late in the third quarter backman Steve DeGruchy was sent off the ground and went over the boundary line then came back on and went through the interchange, this caused problems as nobody seemed to know the official ruling on whether he could come back on or be replaced.

As a consequence, Scarborough played the last quarter with only 17 players rather than lose the game on a technicality.

This did not appear to worry them as they continued on, kicking 4.1. Though Trinity-Aquinas kicked 5.2 there was no doubt about the result at this stage.

Scarborough had many good players in full-forward. Brendon McFaul, who kicked seven



A GRADE REPORT by Trevor Schorer

goals and set up others, ruckman Doug Miller, winger Mike Douge, full-back Brendan Fox, centreman Gates and half-back Paul Clune.

This week's grand final should be an absolute burster with one win each and not meeting in the final round making it more of a mystery to both sides.

Mt Lawley will be all-out to make up for last season's loss in the grand final, while Scarborough will want to establish themselves as a real power in amateur football.

Both sides have an abundance of skilful and exciting players to thrill the large crowd expected at Lathlain Park. Whatever the result, both sides deserve their place in the grand final.

The two coaches Ralph Needham (Mt Lawley) and Alan Walker (Scarborough) deserve a lot of the credit for their side's success as they would be the two most hard-working coaches, in summer and winter, in amateur football.

THIS SATURDAY GRAND FINALS

A Grade: Mount Lawley v Scarborough at Lathlain; B Grade: West Coast v Innaloo at Perth Oval; C Grade: Mount Lawley No 2 v Lynwood-Ferndale at Laederville Oval; D Grade: Swan Athletic v Bassendean at Bassendean Oval; E Grade: Coolbinia Yokine v Scarborough No 2 at East Fremantle Oval; F Grade: Cockburn Lakes v Uni No 3 at Fremantle Oval; G Grade: John 23rd v Whitford at Gilfraser Oval; I Grade: Bassendean No 2 v Mount Lawley No 4 at City Beach Oval; J Grade: Wanneroo v Morley No 2 at Robinson Reserve; K Grade: Swan Athletic No v North Fremantle No 3 at South Oval (WAIT); L Grade: Redcliffe v Swanbourne No 2 at Inglewood Oval; A Colts: University v Wembley at Lathlain Park; B Colts: West Coast v Carlisle at Perth Oval; D Colts: Redcliffe v West Coast No 2 at Inglewood Oval.

PRELIMINARY FINAL

C Colts: Forrestfield v Uni No 2 at Fremantle Oval.

REPLAY PRELIMINARY FINAL

H Grade: Girrawheen v Innaloo at Kingsway Reserve.

WANNEROO CLUB WIND-UP

Supporters, players and officials of Wanneroo AFC are reminded that their inaugural wind-up and presentation of Trophies is on Saturday October 5. Venue is Mona Lisa Reception, Wanneroo Road, Wanneroo. Cost is \$23 single \$45 double. Further details and bookings Russell Burnett 405 3983.

GRAND FINAL FUNCTION

Wanneroo are to be commended for their enthusiasm in their first year of amateurs. The club has a grand final luncheon this Saturday at the Wanneroo Tavern. Cost is \$8 which includes meal and bus trip to watch Wanneroo play Morley at Robinson Reserve, Osborne Park in the 'J' Grade Grand Final. The function starts at 11.30 and further details available from Russell Burnett 405 383.

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

PRELIMINARY FINAL

A GRADE	
Scarborough	5.3 8.3 11.4 15.4 94
Trinity-Aquin.	— 3.8 4.13 10.15 75
A COLTS	
Wembley	1.4 4.5 10.8 15.8 98
Trinity-Aquin.	3.2 6.5 7.9 9.9 63
B GRADE	
Innaloo	0.6 2.10 10.13 17.16 118
N. Frem.	1.4 5.11 7.15 11.16 82
B COLTS	
Carlisle	6.5 14.5 16.6 19.8 122
Dianella	3.0 6.4 12.8 15.8 98
D GRADE	
Bassendean	5.3 15.12 20.15 26.19 175
WACAE	2.3 2.5 8.11 12.14 88
H GRADE	
Girrawheen	3.1 7.1 10.3 12.6 78
Innaloo No 3	3.7 5.11 6.12 10.18 78
D COLTS	
West Coast	5.3 9.8 10.9 14.15 99
Bassendean	2.3 7.7 10.8 11.9 75

OTHER GRADES

C Grade: Lynwood-Ferndale d Wembley; E Grade: Coolbinia-Yokine 24.14 d St. Norberts 12.10; F Grade: University 14.14 d Bullcreek 14.11; G Grade: Whitford No 2 18.10 d MHPW No 2 8.4; I Grade: Mt Lawley No 4 17.13 d East Fremantle 15.12; J Grade: Morley No 2 22.15 d Bullcreek 14.12; K Grade: North Fremantle No 3 15.14 d Bayswater 14.4; L Grade: Swanbourne 15.17 d Melville 8.7; C Colts: University No 2 19.18 d North Bridge AICA 10.7.

THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

- Twenty-two clubs will be chasing the 14 premierships to be decided this Saturday (Due to drawn games in 'H' grade and 'C' colts their grand finals will be next week).
- John 23rd, Whitford, Redcliffe, Wanneroo and West Coast are all chasing their first-senior premierships.
- Mt Lawley No. 2, Cockburn Lakes, Lynwood-Ferndale, Scarborough No. 2, Morley No. 2, West Coast 'B' Colts and Redcliffe 'D' Colts are all chasing back-to-back premierships.
- Whitford No. 2 ('G' grade), University No. 3 ('F') are in line to become the first teams finishing fifth after the qualifying rounds to win a premiership.
- Scarborough 1984 'A' grade wooden spooner are the leagues great improvers, contesting this year's major pennant against Mt Lawley 'A' grade minor premiers for past two seasons.

CLUB CHAMPIONS

Full and final details of all three (Champion Club, Champion Colts team, Champion Single Team) Club Championship Awards will be published next week in Westside Football.

FINALS ADMISSION

ADMISSION to the A, B and C grade Grand Finals has been raised to \$3. Entrance to all other finals games and grand finals will remain at \$2 adults. Pensioner and children (U/16) concessions remain the same. Price includes a printed programme.

LATHLAIN PARKING

Parking for players and patrons at Lathlain Park is available in the large carpark located behind the scoreboard. Entry is off Roberts Road or McCahey Crescent. The rear gates will be open. Most street parking around the ground is banned.

LIQUOR BAN

Club supporters and officials are reminded that WAFL league clubrooms are not permitted to serve liquor to consume either on the premises or their surrounds. No package liquor may be brought to an amateur controlled game. Heavy penalties will be handed out. Club officials are reminded that they are responsible for their supporters behaviour.

REMEMBER.....

HOME team are asked to show the usual expected courtesies to all umpires, supplying them with suitable secure change areas, drinks at the half and three quarter time breaks. All players are to sign match book in presence of Umpire.

FOOTBALL REGISTER

This 176 page booklet of all league results, country results, award winners, etc., also contains a round-up of the 1985 amateur season. The book will be available on WAFL grand final day at Subiaco Oval and also in all news-agencies.

INNALOO ON THE BOIL

'B' Grade minor premiers Innaloo put paid to any doubts about their ability to rebound after a slow start by beating North Fremantle last week.

An eight-goal third quarter (15-goal last half) sunk an injury-struck but gallant North Fremantle.

Phil Haughan marshalled his Bulldogs after a miserable first half. They kicked their first goal 14 minutes into the second term.

Their clash against an in-form West Coast will be a nip-and-tuck affair right from the start. Innaloo cannot afford to be off target early because West Coast are a relentless combination with the best defence in B-grade.

Innaloo's small brigade, led by Lazaridis, Tanner and Kusic complement ruckmen Barry McGuire and Ross Lockhart.

'C' GRADE

Lynwood-Ferndale performed creditably to brush aside Wembley No. 2 to challenge minor premiers Mt Lawley No. 2 for the pennant.

Both were premiers in their grades last season and with the promotion to 'B' grade riding on the result both teams have much to aim for.

Mt Lawley appear too experienced around the ground with many players with either 'A' grade or state football experience. Lynwood could cause a boil over if they get an early jump on the Hawks.

'D' GRADE

Swan Athletic look unbeatable after going through the season undefeated. Bassendean have reached the grand final the hard way, losing the qualifying final but bouncing back to blistering form booting a massive 26 goals in a power house display.

Swan Athletic cannot afford to go in over confident and relax otherwise the major upset of the year will happen.

'E' GRADE

Coolbinia-Yokine will be anxious to lose the bridesmaid tag after finishing minor premiers for the past two seasons and losing last year's grand final and failing last time against rivals Scarborough.

Club president Ron Jones and his committee have worked hard for a positive result. Scarborough, a club with a proud record of final wins, are keen to get their second team into a higher grade.

'F' GRADE

Short-priced favourites Cockburn Lakes face up to Uni No. 3 for the second successive grand final. Last year the Cockburn team won in a one-sided affair. This time the same result appears likely as they had seven wins more through the season than Uni. Uni should never be underestimated, especially as this is their only senior team in the grand final.

'G' GRADE

Joe Hoynes' John 23rd may find Whitford No. 2 a difficult proposition despite the fact there was a big difference between the two teams throughout the year. Both are chasing their first senior pennant and have improved greatly since last season when they finished seventh and eighth. Whitford are on target to cause a major upset.

'H' GRADE

The draw between preliminary finalists Girrawheen and Innaloo No. 3 has upset the grand final plans of City of Perth. Girrawheen had a chance to sew up the game in the last quarter, but stopped to a walk despite the efforts of Shane Moore, Ashley Feehand and John Ellison. Veteran Girrawheen coach Norm Perry should steer his team into yet another grand final.

'I' GRADE

Undefeated Bassendean No. 2 are odds-on to down versatile Trevor Schorer's Mt Lawley No. 4. The Hawks fell away during the last half of the season, but have since bounced back in the finals to show they may cause problems for the Bassendean boys. Both teams have had a better season than in 1984.

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Collie snatch a grand final spot

COLLIE snatched an exciting preliminary final victory over Harvey-Brunswick to qualify for the South West National Football League grand final against South Bunbury this Sunday.

Collie led by only three points at the 25-minute mark of the last term, but three goals in the time on period sealed their place in the grand final.

The final scores of 16.10 to 12.13 were not a true indication of how close these two sides were.

The result could have gone the other way if Harvey had been more accurate in the last term.

Harvey led by five points at the last change, but only managed eight behinds in the last quarter, which cost them the match.

Collie's win was even more meritorious considering they had three regular backmen unavailable due to injury or suspension.

The match was dominated by the respective backlines, with Collie full-back Ron Crabbe the unanimous best player afield.

Crabbe showed his cool temperament in many pressure situations and combined superbly with fellow defender Anthony White to repeatedly turn defence into attack.

Collie had winners midfield in centreman Peter Slater and speedy wingman Greg O'Brien.

Collie half-forward Paul Carpenter was the best attacking player in the match, kicking four goals and using his brilliant speed to devastating effect.

Harvey rover Dean Rakich was his side's best player and was supported strongly by wingman Sam Strano, who played on the opposite wing to O'Brien.

Dom Trimbale was another four-quarter performer for Harvey, playing the first half in the back-pocket and continued his good form as a rover after the long break.

Collie now have the difficult task of trying to beat a South Bunbury side who have won their last 24 matches.

If Collie win, it will be only their second premiership: their first flag was in 1972.

GIBBS TAKES S-E AWARD

BRILLIANT Newtown centreman Kim Gibbs is the 1985 Norfolk Motors Footballer of the year in the South East Football League.

The 18-year-old Gibbs won the award by two votes from Esperance ruckman Bill Cutten and received \$1000 for his excellent season.

Another highlight of the youngster's season was leading the SEFL colts side to victory in the Great Southern Carnival and winning Newtown's fairest and best award.

Gibbs is almost certain to continue his football career at Swan Districts next season.

RESULT ROUNDUP

FORTESCUE — Preliminary final: Demons 13.18 b Tigers 11.6.
RAVENSTHORPE and Districts — Grand final: Lake King 14.11 b Ravensthorpe Tigers 13.12.
CENTRAL WHEATBELT — Preliminary final: Boston 16.16 b Koorda 10.10.
AVON — First semi-final: Beverley 17.11 b Quairading 14.11.
MORTLOCK — Preliminary final: Downers 18.18 b Goornalling 6.5.
GREAT NORTHERN — First semi-final: Railways 16.21 b Towns 10.8.
ONGERUP — League second semi-final replay: Newdegate 16.14 b Ongerup 13.7.
UPPER GREAT SOUTHERN — First semi-final: Williams 26.16 b Railways 9.9. Second semi-final: Wagin 19.27 b Boddington 5.17.
CENTRAL GREAT SOUTHERN — Grand final: Wanderers 15.15 b Tambellup 10.14.
SOUTH WEST — Preliminary final: Collie 16.10 b Harvey-Brunswick 12.13.
SOUTHERN DISTRICTS — Preliminary final: North Barker 20.18 b Royals 11.10.
NORTH MIDLANDS — Preliminary final: Three Springs 11.10 b Perenjori 11.12.
MURRAY DISTRICTS — Preliminary final: Pinjarra 19.16 b St. Manurew 14.4.
CARNARVON-GASCOYNE — Grand final: Ramblers 32.14 b Warriors 13.7.
GOLDFIELDS — 12.13 b Kalgoorlie 9.6.
CENTRAL MIDLANDS — Preliminary final: Danderagin 21.19 b Delawarra 7.5.



Rob Moyes, a star player in the Lower South West gets his kick away.

North into Grand Final

NORTH Mt Barker qualified for next Sunday's Southern Districts Football League grand final against Railways with a convincing victory over a disappointing Royals in the preliminary final last weekend.

The determined North Mt Barker side were inspired by the return of robust ruck-rover Steve Hambel, who flew back from Alice Springs for the match.

Other good players for the winners were John Wright in the ruck and Brad Smallwood, who did a superb job in tagging Royals star Larry Dwyer.

Royals ruck-rover John Boccomazza and centre-half-back Ken Shields were two players who never stopped trying for Royals.

Railways will have a slight advantage on Sunday, with the grand final against North Mt Barker being played on their home ground.

200 UP FOR O'BRIEN

RAILWAYS utility player Gary O'Brien played his 200th game in the Great Northern Football League in the first semi-final against Towns last Sunday.

O'Brien became the first Railways player in the history of the club to achieve this feat.

He captained Railways for four seasons between 1981-84, in which the club won premierships in 1981 and 82.

Railways also won the 1980 GNFL flag, with O'Brien the fairest and best winner that season.

O'Brien has been a member of the GNFL association team for nine out of the 10 seasons he has been playing league.

He has been active in junior football in the Geraldton area, coaching several junior sides and was coach of the GNFL colts side which went through the season undefeated two years ago.

TOUGH TIMES

STATE wicketkeeper and former East Fremantle league footballer Tim Zoehrer, playing for Three Springs in the North Midlands Football League, recently found out how tough country football can be. The Three Springs captain-coach was knocked out in a hectic passage of play against Morawa in the NMFL second semi-final. Zoehrer was taken to hospital in an ambulance and, to add insult to injury, his side went down 13.13 to 8.12.

FANCOTE WINS

BROOKTON player Bevan Fancote has won his second club fairest and best award after another consistent season in the Avon Football Association. Fancote won his first club award in 1978, but this undoubtedly was his best season. He polled 42 votes to win by seven from Ivan Rogers and Peter Gault on 35. Star rover Merv Davis polled an amazing 32 votes in the first round. But he missed the rest of the season because of commitments with the Perth league and reserves side.

Williams are back in business

WILLIAMS made amends for their poor performance in the qualifying final by thrashing a disappointing Railways side 26.16 to 9.9, in the first semi-final of the Upper Great Southern Football League last Saturday.

Williams captain-coach Greg Cavanagh inspired his side with a seven-goal performance at centre-half-forward.

The former South Fremantle player took many strong marks and set up numerous goals for his side.

Mike Kain, playing at centre-half-back and his brother David, on a wing were brilliant players for Williams, attacking at every opportunity.

John Lyons (full-back) and Paul Spanswick in a back-pocket were two Railways players who could be satisfied with their individual performance.

On Sunday, Wagin firmed as favourites for the premiership with a crushing 19.27 to 5.17 victory over Boddington in the second semi-final.

The first half was of a particularly poor standard, with Wagin leading 3.14 to 3.11 at the long break.

Wagin broke the shackles in the third term, kicking 8.6 to Boddington's four solitary points and the game was all over at three-quarter time.

Wagin centreman Gavin Bolt was again in excellent form, while former South Fremantle player Peter Lauritsen was a damaging ruck-rover.

Boddington ruck-rover Stan Osborne used his big leap to take many fine marks, while Joe Schorer was a solid player on the half-back-flank, but sadly lacked support.

In the first semi-final of the reserves Railways beat Boddington 14.11 to 10.5, while Wagin kicked 14.11 to West Arthur's 10.14 in the thirds.

Towns won a low-scoring reserves second semi-final over Wagin 7.10 to 5.13, while in the thirds, Towns were too good for Pingelly, winning 7.11 to 4.5.

Williams meet Boddington in this

Sunday's league preliminary final at Wagin Oval, which should be a close tussle between two evenly matched sides.



Former Claremont back-pocket player Tom Pearce has had an outstanding season in the Central Great Southern League. Pearce's season was highlighted by selection in the Wesfarmers State All Stars team.

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WAFL



2ND SEMI FINALS

EAST FREMANTLE 3.5 8.7 13.8 19.11 125
SUBIACO 4.5 9.8 12.12 16.17 113

SCORERS: EAST FREMANTLE: Lockyer 4.2; Peake 3.1; Wrensted 3.0; Harding 2.2; Wilson 2.1; Browning 2.0; Waterson 1.1; Kerr, Turco 1.0; Jones 0.1; forced 0.3. SUBIACO: Keene 4.2; Spencer 3.4; Sells 3.0; Dean 2.1; Mort 1.4; N. Taylor 1.1; B. Taylor, P. Lamb 1.0; Scott, Featherby, O'Loughlin 0.1; forced 0.2.

BEST: EAST FREMANTLE: G. Neesham, P. Harding, G. Hoult, B. Peake, M. Wrensted, G. Christie. SUBIACO: P. Featherby, P. Scott, W. Dean, M. Crutchfield, P. Lamb, B. Taylor.

UMPIRES: D. Johnson, M. Ball. East Fremantle won toss and kicked to western end. Free-kicks: EAST FREMANTLE: 7, 4, 2, 1 — 14, out-of-bounds 5; 15 metres 4. SUBIACO: 15, 8, 1, 4 — 28; out-of-bounds 4; 15m 8. Played at Subiaco Oval, attendance 23,500.

HOW THEY LINED UP

EAST FREMANTLE: Backs: Christie, Forman, R. Solin. Half-backs: Wake, Browning, Green, Centres: Hoult, Wrensted, Rankin. Half-forwards: Turco, Lockyer, Wilson. Full-forwards: Peake, Waterson, Mainwaring. Ruck: Harding, Neesham, Kerr. Interchange: Alexander, Jones.

SUBIACO: Backs: B. Taylor, Crutchfield, Wilkinson. Half-backs: K. Sparks, Zanotti, Roberts. Centres: P. Lamb, Featherby, MacNish. Half-forwards: Spencer, Dean, Sells. Full-forwards: Mort, Keene, O'Loughlin. Ruck: Scott, D. Lamb, N. Taylor. Interchange: Warner, Leishman.

RESERVES

SWAN DISTRICTS 3.6 13.12 19.13 28.22 190
SOUTH FREMANTLE 7.5 10.9 17.16 22.19 151

GOALS: SWAN DISTRICTS: Renfree, Hodyl 5; A. Smith, Outridge 3; Marshall, Letto, Cormack, Baker 2; Allen, Gray, Holtzman, M. Smith 1. SOUTH FREMANTLE: Dunn 7; Arnold, Pedley 3; D. Collard, Mount, Grijsich, Sumich 2; O'Donnell 1.

BEST: SWAN DISTRICTS: Renfree, Hodyl, Gray, Hoyer, Cormack, Letto. SOUTH FREMANTLE: O'Donnell, Dunn, Wilson, Pedley, Sumich, Martin.

COLTS

CLAREMONT 6.0 10.3 13.6 20.7 127
SOUTH FREMANTLE 4.2 6.9 7.14 11.16 82

CLAREMONT: Lewis 6; Cernock, Sutherland, Begovich 3; Adam, Dwyer, Beveridge, Hutton, Morgan 1. SOUTH FREMANTLE: Flugge 5; Jakovich 4; Christian, Bottrell 1.

BEST: CLAREMONT: Begovich, Warner, Partington. SOUTH FREMANTLE: McGuinness, Cammarano, Todd.

VFL



QUALIFYING FINAL

HAWTHORN 6.5 11.11 15.16 22.23 155
FOOTSCRAY 2.3 3.5 6.11 8.14 62

GOALS: HAWTHORN: Dunstall 5; Byrne, Brereton 3; Matthews, Dipierdomenico, Wallace, Handley 2; Russo, Buckenara, Kennedy 1. FOOTSCRAY: Bamblett, Beasley 2; Edmond, S. MacPherson, Royal, Peart 1.

BEST: HAWTHORN: Lester-Smith, Dipierdomenico, Wallace, Byrne, Loveridge. FOOTSCRAY: Bamblett, Edmond, Puraer, Royal, McLaan. Played at the MCG, attendance 58,449.

ELIMINATION FINAL

NORTH MELBOURNE 2.3 6.3 12.5 20.6 126
CARLTON 3.6 10.10 14.10 16.11 107

GOALS: NORTH MELBOURNE: McCann 4; Glendinning 3; Holt, Schimmelbusch, Demetriou 2; Steele, P. Krakouer, Larkin, McDonald, Dwyer, Jones, Arceri 1. CARLTON: McConville, MacLure 3; Kourkoumelis, Harmes 2; Johnston, Buckley, Murphy, Marcou, Madden, McKenzie.

BEST: NORTH MELBOURNE: Larkin, Arceri, Schimmelbusch, Holt, P. Krakouer, R. Smith. CARLTON: Madden, Kourkoumelis, Johnston, MacLure, English, McConville. Played at VFL Park, attendance 49,126.



North Melbourne rover Phil Krakouer is about to gain possession with his opponent Tom Alvin from Carlton close on his heels. Alvin did a good containing job on Krakouer for the first three quarters, but the brilliant Kangaroos rover cut loose in the last term.

SANFL



NORTH ADELAIDE 6.7 11.11 15.17 22.20 152
WOODVILLE 5.2 9.4 14.5 18.6 114

GOALS: NORTH ADELAIDE: Dietrich 7; Hart 4; Tiller, Antrobus, Robertson, Bennett 2; Vanders, Armfield, S. Riley 1. WOODVILLE: Blight 6; Fuller 4; Beecroft, Harris, Grant 2; Jolly, Jackson 1.

BEST: NORTH ADELAIDE: Antrobus, Hart, Tiller, Robertson, Hill, Bennett, Campbell. WOODVILLE: Harris, Blight, Parker, Dettman, Libbis, Grant, Rogers.

NORWOOD 2.8 8.8 14.11 20.14 134
PORT ADELAIDE 3.7 7.14 11.18 14.25 109

GOALS: NORWOOD: K. Thomas, Michalanney, Neagle 3; Roberts, O'Dwyer 2; Jenkins, Ross, Gallagher, Fosdike, Button, Jarvis, Aish 1. PORT ADELAIDE: Evans 6; Russell 2; Ebert, Clifford, Harrison, Smith, Gotch, R. Boyd 1.

BEST: NORWOOD: Michalanney, Neagle, K. Thomas, Aish, McIntosh. PORT ADELAIDE: Clifford, Lawson, Bradley, Anderson, Baker, Simpson.

WEST TORRENS 8.3 14.4 17.10 26.16 172
SOUTH ADELAIDE 3.5 9.9 12.11 17.19 121

GOALS: WEST TORRENS: Roberts 8; Johnston 4; Meehan, Payne 3; Turner, Stretch, Cunningham 2; Sims, Collier 1. SOUTH ADELAIDE: Davies 5; Naley, P. Martin 3; Eddy, Darren Kappler 2; G. Hewitt, Ryan 1.

BEST: WEST TORRENS: Sims, Payne, Stretch, Roberts, Enright, B. Lindsay. SOUTH ADELAIDE: Bennett, P. Martin, Naley, Christie, David Kappler, Lockman.

WEST ADELAIDE 5.6 11.13 17.17 24.23 167
CENTRAL DISTRICT 3.3 5.6 11.9 21.11 137

GOALS: WEST ADELAIDE: Meuret 5; Andrews, Fielke 4; D. Herbert, Lamb 3; Smith 2; C. Herbert, Mickan, Burton 1. CENTRAL DISTRICT: Platten 6; Cousins 5; Wilson 3; Robertson, Kreig 2; Connelly, Beythien, Collins.

BEST: WEST ADELAIDE: Fielke, Meuret, P. Winter, D. Herbert, McKinnon, Bennett, Grosser. CENTRAL DISTRICT: Cousins, Beythien, Platten, Connelly, Collins, Bubner.

STURT 7.3 12.9 16.12 21.14 140
GLENELG 3.9 7.13 10.20 14.22 106

GOALS: STURT: Motley 4; Willmott, Hollis, Fielke 3; Frost, Smith 2; Fry, Whittlesea, Wark, Martin 1. GLENELG: Copping 5; McGuinness 3; Carey, Marshall 2; S. Kernahan, McDermott.

BEST: STURT: Motley, Smith, Craig, Whittlesea, Hollis, Reid, Paynter, Martin, Wark. GLENELG: McDermott, Marshall, McGuinness, A. Stringer, Copping, S. Kernahan, Symonds, W. Stringer.

SANFL LEADING GOALKICKERS

126 — Malcolm Blight (Woodville); 111 — Ian Willmott (Sturt); 83 — John Roberts (West Torrens); 80 — Tim Evans (Port Adelaide); 74 — Rick Davies (South Adelaide); 71 — Stephen Copping (Glenelg); 68 — Grenville Dietrich (North Adelaide); Bob Beecroft (Woodville); Peter Johnston (West Torrens); 65 — John Platten (Central District); 58 — Stephen Kernahan (Glenelg); 47 — Neville Roberts (Norwood); 46 — Anthony Antrobus (North Adelaide); 45 — Tony McGuinness (Glenelg); 44 — Robert Fraser (Central District); 43 — John Schneebichler (South Adelaide); Grantley Fielke (West Adelaide).



The battle of the big men, as Subiaco ruckman Phil Scott and Sharks captain-coach Ron Alexander compete for the hit out at a centre bounce. Scott rucked most of the match, while Alexander replaced Paul Harding on the ball in the last term.

PREMIERSHIP HOW THEY FINISHED

WAFL

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
EAST FREMANTLE	21	17	4	2774	1917	144.71	68
SUBIACO	21	15	6	2521	2072	121.67	60
WEST PERTH	21	12	9	2468	2402	102.75	48
SWAN DISTRICTS	21	12	9	2379	2448	97.18	48
Claremont	21	9	12	2130	2263	94.12	36
South Fremantle	21	8	13	2482	2577	95.54	32
Perth	21	6	15	2332	2632	88.60	24
East Perth	21	5	16	1924	2679	71.82	20

WAFL RESERVES

	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Pts
SWAN DISTRICTS	15	5	1	2807	2088	135.73	62
SOUTH FREMANTLE	15	5	1	2700	2086	129.43	62
PERTH	15	6	0	2618	2053	127.52	60
WEST PERTH	12	9	0	2496	2356	106.94	48
Subiaco	7	14	0	2090	2474	84.47	28
East Fremantle	7	14	0	2004	2597	77.17	28
Claremont	6	15	0	2087	2541	82.13	24
East Perth	6	15	0	2017	2644	76.28	24

WAFL COLTS

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
CLAREMONT	21	17	4	2038	1131	180.19	68
SOUTH FREMANTLE	21	17	4	2192	1295	169.26	68
EAST FREMANTLE	21	13	8	1716	1581	108.53	52
WEST PERTH	21	12	9	1802	1585	113.69	48
Swan Districts	21	10	11	1682	1789	94.01	40
East Perth	21	7	14	1407	2049	68.67	28
Perth	21	5	16	1405	2013	69.79	20
Subiaco	21	3	18	1240	2039	60.81	12

VFL

	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Pts
ESSENDON	19	3	0	2755	1991	138.3	76
FOOTSCRAY	16	6	0	2417	2000	120.9	64
HAWTHORN	15	6	1	2647	2024	130.8	62
CARLTON	15	7	0	2430	2104	115.5	60
NORTH MELBOURNE	13	8	1	2379	2431	97.9	54
Geelong	12	10	0	2277	2263	100.6	48
Collingwood	10	12	0	2197	2186	100.5	40
Richmond	9	13	0	2362	2590	91.2	36
Fitzroy	7	15	0	2307	2452	94.1	28
Swans	6	16	0	2219	2349	94.4	24
Melbourne	6	16	0	1965	2527	77.8	24
St Kilda	3	19	0	1899	2937	64.7	12

SANFL

	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pc.	Pts
NORTH ADELAIDE	15	7	-	2738	2480	52.87	30
NORWOOD	14	7	1	2602	2302	53.06	29
GLENELG	14	8	-	2704	2263	54.44	28
WEST ADELAIDE	13	9	-	2856	2591	52.43	26
STURT	12	9	1	2681	2470	52.05	25
Central District	11	11	-	2649	2646	50.99	22
Port Adelaide	8	14	-	2464	2786	48.93	16
South Adelaide	8	14	-	2315	2693	46.22	16
West Torrens	8	14	-	2481	2946	45.71	16
Woodville	6	16	-	2752	3185	46.35	12

TASMANIA

TANFL
 2nd Semi Final: Glenorchy 20.17 d Clarence 14.18.

NTFA

1st Semi Final: Scottsdale 16.23 d City 17.4.
 2nd Semi Final: North Launceston 21.15 d Launceston 21.14.

NWFL

1st Semi Final: Wynyard 18.9 d Cooe 14.13.

VFL RESERVES

Essendon 23.23 d Geelong 10.9.

SYDNEY

1st Semi Final: North Shore 22.10 d East Sydney 11.12; 2nd Semi Final: Campbelltown 12.24 d St. George 10.14.

CANBERRA

2nd Semi Final: Ainslie 11.18 d Queanbeyan 10.21.

VFA

Division 1 — 2nd Semi Final: Sandringham 32.16 d Coburg 19.14; Division 2 — Brunswick 25.18 d Oakleigh 10.12.

WA SUNDAY LEAGUE

Preliminary Final: Kalamunda 13.12 (Per-guson, G. O'Rourke, Williams) d Osborne Park 10.14 (S. Garcia, Bradshaw, Eison).

**SEVEN'S
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LEAGUE
Preview
7am SATURDAY**

DISCRIMINATION ...

AN Aboriginal football team has been selected to play against a white football side at the MCG — a move that I believe is disappointing for sport in general.

Surely, in this day and age when there is so many racial problems throughout the world, any move to assist the segregation of one race from another should be resisted by all bodies concerned.

It amazes me to have Governments banning cricketers from travelling to South Africa on the grounds of their segregation rules, but say nothing when the same type of colour discrimination occurs in Australia.

Without doubt, our Aboriginal footballers have been in the best players ever produced. They have incredible skill and, above all, cunning agility that makes their movements on the field almost "cat like".

They have contributed at the highest level to Australian football and have been able to reach the best achievements the game can offer.

What is gained from playing them against a white team — nothing.

It makes me wonder whether the next step will be a team of Yugoslavians versus an Irish team ... and so on.

Most football followers believe that every player who enters the football arena is judged by his ability — not colour or nationality or religion.

BULLDOG UMPIRE!

MY fellow ABC media man George Grljusich, has, at times, been known to have a few words to say about umpires. So he was shocked to see the emergency umpire in the league game walk out to the centre at the quarter-time break wearing a red and white hat.

George was quickly questioned by fellow media men as to whether the umpire was a Bulldog supporter!

Australian Football is for all Australians, so let's hope that common sense prevails and we see the powers that be show the courage required to stop segregation in sport.

We don't need it in football



Subiaco full-back Michael Crutchfield looks downfield with the ball, with team-mate Kevan Sparks

DORRO'S DIARY

BY GRANT DORRINGTON



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BEST QUARTER FOR THE YEAR

THE third quarter of last Saturday's second semi-final was one of the best quarters of football I have seen this year.

Only three free kicks were given and the game was allowed to flow. Fierce tackling, desperate body work and a great desire to get the ball was shown by both teams.

The crowd got involved in the game and the atmosphere was electric.

GREAT TO SEE

THE 1985 season will be marked down as a year to remember as all league coaches have been reappointed for further terms.

Usually several coaches find it hard to get reappointed in the 'cut throat' world of coaching.

Why the change?

I believe the uncertainty of where football is going in the next few years, has forced club administrators to maintain the "status quo" and stick with their appointed coaches.

Hopefully, this support will give each coach a chance to develop a team. Time is the key to coaching. Every 1985 coach now has that breathing space to establish his coaching philosophies among his players.

I am sure the results Graham Moss and John Todd have achieved over the past eight years at their clubs has shown the football world that the coach must be carefully selected, then given at least five years to prove his worth.



Graham Moss ... another term at Claremont.

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DON'T MISS IT

THE colts second semi-final last Saturday between the Bulldogs and Tigers turned out to be disappointing from the point of view of closeness of scores.

These two teams have had some outstanding games all season, with little or nothing separating them. But on Saturday, Claremont had an easy 45-point win.

Both teams have been by far the best in the colts competition, though the Sharks have come good at the end of the year.

The Tigers have had over 30 players available for selection with three of them having been in the league team for the last games of the season. The Bulldogs have also had players in the reserves along with Allen Jakovich playing in the league.

Both these young teams should produce outstanding players for their respective league teams next season.

Football followers who love the game should make an effort to watch the last two games of the colts finals. The standard of play will surprise you, along with the gifted ability many of these youngsters have.

GREAT SIGHT

THE sight of seeing the maroon and gold jumper run onto Subiaco Oval at finals time must have warmed the hearts of all Subiaco supporters.

It has been a long time between drinks for the Lions to play in the finals. Their whole club administration needs to be congratulated on their planning and efforts.

Football needs all clubs to rotate through the finals, giving all supporters a chance to be at Subiaco when it counts — finals time.

Their desperation and commitment to their club has been magnificent all year and has established a new respect among all other clubs.

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