

Dave Clement recalls some Mal Brown moments.

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ALEXANDER—HE'S JUST GREAT!



Brad Hardie ... all smiles.



Club and State champs ... coach Ron Alexander and captain Brian Peake.

STATE and East Fremantle coach Ron Alexander has come of age in the football world.

His magnificent leadership of East Fremantle as a playing coach last year has now been capped with a double in the interstate arena as a coach from the sidelines.

Victories over South Australia (under lights in Adelaide) and against a strong Victorian side in Perth (after a series of last-minute injury problems to the WA side) stamp him as a coach of class.

In both games he was obviously helped by some inspirational footballers. This is what Alexander said to his victorious players immediately after the match:

"You should be wrapped. It shows what you can achieve if you believe in yourself and never give up. Not one of you tossed it in when they hit the front. You showed how to fight on and how to achieve something that looks impossible."

Victorian coach Kevin Sheedy, successful in Perth last year, but now lowering his colours, says that the State-of-Origin football concept makes it a must to re-introduce the old-style carnivals, with all States represented at one venue doing battle over a week or more.

"WA's performances in the interstate arena in the last few years have made us sit up and think," he says.

"It was certainly disappointing to lose this one. But to have a three-point margin after 120 minutes of football of that quality isn't bad, is it?"

NOW WE WANT TWO WA TEAMS!

WEST Australian football is riding high on an interstate wave and ready to take two composite teams into a national competition.

WA officials were jubilant after Tuesday's thrilling three-point win over Victoria — a repeat of 1983 and 1984 when the Australian championship came our way.

The victory will further boost WA's claim for a place in a national competition — and State coach Ron Alexander believes we are entitled to two composite teams.

WA's three football "heavies" — National Football League president Vincent Yovich, WAFL chairman Roy Annear and WAFL chief executive John Walker — all say that Tuesday's win can only help boost the State's case for national football.

EVERY WEEK

"You could have games of that standard every week," said Mr Walker.

"It's just great for footy."

Mr Yovich, the former president of the WAFL who is pushing hard for a strong WA involvement in a national league, says that thrilling victories like Tuesday's would bring crowds back to football.

"The State-of-Origin concept is the best way for players to play at the top level," he says.

"And that's what the national series would achieve."

"This victory only reinforces the need for a national competition."

Mr Annear, who has always supported the national series, rejects suggestions that victories like Tuesday's will frighten the VFL clubs off having a composite WA side in their expanded competition.

"A national competition in five or 10 years will have football like that all the time," he says.

"It will be a natural evolution and I certainly see two WA sides involved eventually, if not at the outset."



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WHAT THEY SAID

A round-up of some of this week's football comments

"Looking at this East Perth Team, I can't see how they have an average losing margin of 53 points going into this game. They should be fighting it out for fifth place or even higher." Grant Dorrington Channel 7.

"Now we have to win a few more games to build a platform for next year and give ourselves some credibility." East Perth's Chris Allen.

"They can cause a lot of trouble in the next few weeks; even capable of knocking off Subiaco." Bob Cribb on 6PR's Football Forum tipping East Perth to beat Swans.

"Criticism is part of football and you just have to wear it." Essendon's Kevin Sheedy.



"I don't believe they had control of the game; We would have been responsible as a club if things happening out on the ground had got further out of hand." Mal Brown on his decision to pull the Perth reserves side off before the final siren.

"We agreed that Huggall and Hoile should have four weeks ahead of anyone else who may be interested in such a move to prepare a submission." St Kilda explaining hopes for a take over from the WA company.

"Everybody is doing something; there are no stragglers. The players know there is a big game on and they respond." Perth coach Mal Brown on the team's improved position.

"I'm sure that Trevor Rees will realise his mistake and be a man and admit it." Radio 6NR's Kim Hagdorn after Royals skipper Russell Sparks was reported on a trivial time-wasting charge.

"That umpire has destroyed the spirit of the game." Channel 7's Grant Dorrington on the Sparks report.

"I don't think coaches should have microphones pushed under their noses like that; even if it is one of ours." Channel 7's Dennis Cometti on the Mal Brown versus TV interviewer situation.

"He is daring the League to challenge him on some of the things he says and does." Channel 7's Eric Sarich on Mal Brown.

"We want the WAFL to clarify the legal implications if a player such as Peter Spencer is injured — or even killed — in a collision with one of our players." Perth's general manager Mick Moylan on the Peter Spencer concussion problem.

"I've seen him do some pretty rough things out on the ground; but I guess he thinks that's pretty rough." Ian Brayshaw, on 6WF about the Russell Sparks report for time-wasting.

"I never really worried too much about the politics; I didn't cover my back. But I guess I've learnt by it all and I'm not letting it get me down now." Former East Perth coach Greg Brehaut.

"I took a bit of time to adjust to Brownie, but a lot of people have had to do that." Perth veteran Bryan Cousins on the Demons improvement ... and his own form.

"I suppose I might have gone too far. But every time I looked out the window the umpires had their notebooks out. It was getting completely out of hand." Perth coach Mal Brown on the sensations at Lathlain Park.

"I'd always play Peter Sartori in the ruck; he reads the play so superbly." Swan Districts coach John Todd on being asked where he would prefer to play the Swans star.

"Some of the football people in this town are a little sensitive and it's the only way to bring out the truth." The Hood, Westside's anonymous columnist, appearing on radio 6PR's Football Forum.

"That would be a funny feeling; being out on the ground with no-one to play." Channel 7's Dennis Cometti after the Perth reserves side walked off in their clash with West Perth.

BOOTING WITH THE BREEZE

SERVICE BATTLE

THE annual interservice football carnival has seen the Army win for the fifth consecutive year. The series has been running since 1948 with the Army notching win No. 16, just ahead of the RAAF on 14 and the Navy with eight wins. This year's three-day carnival at the Karrakatta Oval saw the Army open up with a 54-point win over the RAAF side. The second day saw the RAAF beat the Navy by 27 points after seeing their 40-point half-time lead reduced to 11 points midway through the last term. The final game saw the powerful Army side run out winners by 146 points after a spirited first quarter tussle. A combined WA services side was later selected to play an Exmouth side in a night game at Exmouth on July 30. The team is:

NAVY — G. Uren, G. Aurey, A. Anderson, W. Eston. RAAF — R. McKenna, M. Patton, K. Gaskell, R. Bopp, N. Wall, G. Vadven, M. Granvner, M. Goldstone, F. Fitzgerald, I. Teal. ARMY — R. Symons, B. Stenfors, A. Cameron, M. King, D. Muller, M. O'tie, R. Burges, D. Holman, R. Johnson, D. Hall, R. Miles, D. Grope, L. Szentpaly and R. Parry.



Because we are a black and white newspaper, we can't really show the true meaning of this picture — but a woman being photographed alongside Perth team manager Jack O'Dea is significant. It's Sue Moylan, the wife of club general Manager Mick Moylan — and she has her hair coloured red-and-black in a sign of loyalty to the Demons.

BREEDING GROUND

WHILE looking at country breeding grounds, the Great Southern Carnival, one of the oldest in Australian football, was held again last weekend. Over the years, many players have graduated from that event (full report on the Wesfarmers Country Round-up page) and these are some who have made league ranks in the city in the last few years — Stephen Michael, Wally Matera, Mark and Noel Bairstow, Nicky Winmar, Gavin Carter, Stephen Rowe, Peter Dennett, Barry Hutcheson, Ken Martin, Geoff Sims (South Fremantle), Barry Cable (Perth, East Perth), Keith and Murray Wynne, Paul Peos, Paul Rowe (East Perth), Noel Morton, Darrell Panizza, Allen Daniels, Jim and Phil Krakouer (Claremont).

PLAYER UNION

THE VFL Players' Association has become an active and powerful body in Victorian football. Simon Madden, the Essendon ruckman, has just taken over from Michael Moncrieff as president and he is backed up by Peter Allen and Len Coysh. Among matters of interest

to the players that the Association is looking at are the use of player agents (with some players being unfairly treated); the proposed national draft; insurance schemes and the introduction of a player conduct code.

TOUCHY SUBJECT

THE issue of whether dual Sandover Medallist Peter Spencer should continue playing or not simmers in football circles. Spencer is awaiting specialist medical advice about his future after suffering another bout of concussion back on June 7. The query raised by Perth at League level about the legal implications of Spencer playing in what could be deemed as a dangerous medical condition is certainly a sensitive one. The League is ascertaining from its legal sources just what liability they — and their clubs — could face if a player or his family sued another club, coach or player for injuries received in a match. Professional indemnity is a matter concerning the WA Football Coaches Association, particularly in view of the ever-increasing situations in America where coaches are being sued for negligence.

ANOTHER NO

RADIO 6PR conducted a telephone poll on the national football concept last Saturday — and it gave another resounding NO for WA participation. In a 30-minute phone-in session, there were 345 calls registered (one every five seconds) with 210 against any WA involvement and 135 in favour. The question specifically asked did listeners want any WA involvement, in contrast to Channel Seven's poll a week earlier which gave viewers a choice of a composite side or a club team. That poll went in favour of the composite side by about the same margin, so it's obvious that football fans don't want their clubs as part of an expanded VFL competition. With South Australian clubs voting unanimously against any involvement on their part — and VFL clubs clearly not wanting composite teams from outside their State — there is certainly plenty of confusion about the national series.

SCOUT'S DREAM

THE annual Wesfarmers country championships coming up in Perth at the end of this month is a talent-scout's dream. Every year league-quality players emerge from this country carnival and the series has produced a steady stream of city players over the years. Wesfarmers organise a massive promotional scheme throughout the country for their annual city invasion and one of their most successful ventures is the production of a poster — pictured here. Wesfarmers take a lot of pride in the organisation of this series — a factor that a couple of our league clubs could take note of.

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LES'S LYRICS



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

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There's no-one quite like Malcolm,
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Who else would drag the players,
Because the umpires were so poor.

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Without his volatile nature,
Things just wouldn't be the same.

No doubt the green-horn reporter,
Was a little taken aback.
When big Mal made it clear,
He was about to take no flak.

But Malcolm must have mellowed,
For when the media came too near.
He chose to use the rubbish bin,
And not the pressman's rear.

So when this one's all over,
And the umps have had their say.
No matter what the outcome,
Mal, 'you've done it your way'.



Plenty of talent from the country clubs

A LOOK into the origins of the players on the league lists at the eight WAFL clubs would suggest that country players find little difficulty in moving to Perth to advance their football careers.

But a lot more country recruits return home without finding success in league football.

It is not that they don't have the skill, commitment or desire to succeed. Merely that they cannot make the transition from the relaxed rural environment to the hustle and bustle of the city.

The WAFL's clubs have received a great boost from the country towns with every league team having at least four players with rural backgrounds making the grade.

One of Subiaco's problems — and a reason for their lack of success since 1973 — could be traced back to their country zone.

Kalgoorlie is their zone and while the Goldfields has many fine players with the capacity to succeed at league football, the Lions have found it difficult to coax them away from the security of high-paying employment in the mines.

This season Greg Carpenter, Michael Lee, Glen O'Loughlin and Mark Valli, all country products, have played senior football with Subiaco.

At the other end of the scale, South Fremantle have 17 country players at Fremantle Oval who have played league football and 15 of them have represented the club in 1986.

The only exceptions are Brad Collard, who damaged a knee in a pre-season match against East Perth, but has played several reserves games and is almost ready to return, and the big ruckman Gerard Cameron.

Heading the Bulldogs list of country players is captain Mark Bairstow and last year's fairest and best winner Walby Matera.

Other players who have made the transition are Graham Kickett, Gavin Carter, Cliff and Derek Collard, David Hart, Barry Hutcheson, Brad McDougall, Michael Pedley, Stephen Rowe, Geoff Sims, Paul and Dean Wilson and Nicky Winmar.

Swan Districts have received tremendous benefit from the Bunbury and Esperance districts with players like Bill Skwirowski and Don Langsford giving them outstanding service.

Other country players to succeed with Swans are Peter Amonini, Noel Baker, Joe Cormack, Mick Johns, Scott Meadows, Shane Renfree, Gavin Thornton and Jim Buckley.

East Perth have nine players who gained their football background in the country.



Bill Skwirowski ... country star

They are Gary Bock, Michael Christian, Shane Cocker, George Giannakis, Gavin Howlett, Lance Kelly, Brad Kevill, Paul Peos and Tom Williams.

In the last couple of seasons Perth have recruited strongly from their country district and currently have eight players on their list who had their first taste of the game in a rural atmosphere.

They are Rod Bogaards, Willie Dick, Kim Fancote, Steven Lally, Ian Newman, Grenville Ugle, Mark Watson and Clive Walley.

West Perth's country zoning has disadvantaged them until this year when they were given a bigger slice of the country talent with the allocation of Collie.

However, they still have seven

players with country origins — Brendan Bell, Gavin Chaplin, Wayne Dayman, Greg Evans, Craig Nelson, Kim Rogers and Dean Warwick.

East Fremantle have been well-served by the Geraldton district with players of the calibre of Glenn Hault, Andrew Lockyer, Chris Mainwaring, Scott Rowland, Brad Tunbridge and Murray Wrensted coming from that area.

Reserves captain Russell Jones, who hails from Mt Barker, takes the number of country recruits in the Sharks camp to play league football to seven.

At one time Claremont had strong representation from the Albany area, but the recent departure of Jim and Phil Krakouer, Allen Daniels, Tom Pearce, Ross Ditchburn and Baden Harper sees them left with only six country players.

But Peter Davidson, Larry and Derek Kickett, Michael Mitchell, Noel Morton and Darrell Panizza represent a class group of players.

Those numbers give the false impression that few problems arise on the way to those players making the grade at league level.

Initially, the players must change their whole routine, find suitable employment and a place to live.

Rogers is one of the few players to have succeeded by travelling from the country each week to play. But he was

Guest Columnist

THIS WEEK:



GARY STOCKS

West Australian football writer.

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able to do that only because John Wynne is coaching West Perth.

And this season the problems associated with that contributed to his poor form. Naturally, the back injury also played a role in his temporary absence from the game.

South Fremantle allowed Bairstow a little latitude in his initial try-out.

Bairstow travelled from Lake Grace each Friday night to train with the Bulldogs and returned every Sunday. Fortunately, his form was outstanding and he survived to become a fine player for the club.

While Bairstow and Rogers have enjoyed leniency in their careers, other players have not been so fortunate.

If players cannot find regular employment on their arrival in Perth the difficulties can stretch to other parts of their lives — including football and that can lead to their premature return.

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Mal Brown ... and his battle with the umps

TAKING on the umpires is a game you will inevitably lose. The man in white is always right.

Football history is full of cases where the individual and the club becomes the casualty — and controversial coach Mal Brown really bucks the odds at times.

Way back in 1891, Fremantle would not play under a certain umpire and forfeited several games and the premiership.

In 1904 in the VFA, Richmond forfeited the premiership to North Melbourne rather than play under an umpire.

In Adelaide in 1902, Port Adelaide refused to take part in a semi-final because of the appointed umpire and lost the chance of going premiers — so who were the real losers?

WA's most experienced man in white, Ray Montgomery, had some trouble with big name coaches along the way in his 305-game career.

One such case I recall, reminiscent of last week's fiasco at Lathlain Park, was on September 2, 1961 when East Fremantle coach Steve Marsh wanted to take his league side from the field at three-quarter time against Swans.

Club president A. R. Connell quashed the idea and Marsh resigned as coach. Montgomery won the day — Swans won the match 9.20 to 7.6.

Jack Sheedy, the legendary captain-coach, fought a long campaign against Montgomery — including two or three retirements. But the man in white still controlled the whistle long after his hair turned grey.

Along came a stripping coach in the early 70's, one Malcolm Brown, to take on Montgomery only to find himself on the opposite side of the fence on more than one occasion.

Perhaps it's not in the best interest of football to keep recalling unsavory incidents.

But my boss calls me an historian, so I guess I have to. So, sorry Malcolm, but you have boobed three times, seriously that is.

Remember August 21, 1976 when, as coach of Claremont, you sent a player back onto the ground after he had been replaced?

John Colreavy was his name. There was no interchange rule then and for that the WAFL banned you from acting as a club official for 12 months.

Then on March 20, 1981, as coach of South Fremantle, you took their seconds side from the field in a practice match against Swans.

After several Supreme Court writs and appeals, the final charge was whittled down to a \$450 fine, which some anonymous person paid anyway.

The third — last week's incident at Lathlain Park — words fail me. . . .

DROUGHT ENDS

WHEN East Perth won last week, they broke a nine-loss drought; the third longest in the club's history.

In 1963-64, the Royals lost 11 games straight and in 1929 they lost 15 on end.

The longest run of outs in WA was when Subiaco lost 30 straight in the years of 1902-03-04.

In the VFL, St Kilda once lost 48 straight, but Glenelg in SA have had the worst run, losing 56 consecutive times.

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By respected veteran football writer ROBERT BENNETT



TIME TO HIT HARD AT OFFENDERS

IT'S about time the WAFL really took out the big stick to club officials who bring the game into disrepute.

In the past few weeks we have had two incidents from club officials making a mockery of the game.

It was made worse by the fact that both incidents took place in front of spectators.

No matter how nice a guy South Fremantle managing director Harold Harper may be and no matter how gentle his words might have been, it does not do the image of football any good to see him stride onto the ground and have words with umpires.

On Saturday it was even worse. Okay, so Mal Brown dragged his players from the ground. So what's new?

But charging over to a player and grabbing him by the throat is an entirely different matter, even if he was baited by West Perth's Peter Murnane.

Since when has sledging been new to football?

Imagine cricketers reacting every time they were baited by opposing players.

The league has taken a strong line with officials who criticise the game publicly. And they should not tolerate any action that takes place before the paying public.

I wonder how that growing band of parents, who are encouraging their children to play other sports because they believe Aussie Rules has become too rough, felt about the Brown-Murnane incident?

I wonder how the league should feel about it?

After all, it is aware, by the way it is directing its promotions at children, how important they are to the future of the game.

From now on the WAFL should take an unmerciful approach to any league official who they consider tarnishes the image of football.

And it's also about time something was done to take the spotlight off umpires.

Both incidents I've mentioned are said to have been sparked by umpiring performances.

While there are grounds for complaints — the umpiring has left a lot to be desired this season — the fact remains they are the best we've got.

If umpires were to pay every infringement that occurs, the game would become bogged down. Where they get into trouble is their interpretation of the rules — was it serious enough to penalise or should they let the game flow.

A few seasons ago it was decided to get tough on players who bounced on the ball as they were being tackled. They were deemed to be still in possession.

That rule seems to have gone by the board. But when first policed it worked. It eliminated the controversial situation of an umpire having to deter-

mine whether the player had disposed of the ball before he was tackled.

Perhaps a closer look should be made of the rules so that umpires aren't put in such insidious positions.

For instance, if a player is caught with the ball, even if his arms are pinned, he should be penalised for holding it.

That way there would be no argument as to an umpiring decision.

In Victoria, umpires let the game flow. You've really got to earn a free kick over there.

We should take a similar approach. Umpires have a difficult enough job without being tongue-lashed by club officials who have a one-eyed view of their performance anyway.



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JK's footy trivia quiz



QUESTIONS

1. Who is Claremont's highest-games player?
2. When was the last year that all eight league coaches held their jobs?
3. Name the only WA player to be in successive premiership teams with different clubs.
4. Name the two players who achieved that feat in different States.
5. Before Ron Alexander, who was the last playing coach in WA?

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BOB CRIBB
EAST FREMANTLE
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East Fremantle must win to stay in contention for the '86 flag — and the way Subiaco are playing, the Sharks have no hope.



FRED WOODS
CLAREMONT V
SOUTH FREMANTLE

Just another training run for Claremont on their way to the second semi final.



ALLAN STILES
CLAREMONT V
SOUTH FREMANTLE

This week should have been the double-header. Sorry, but Souths are not in the hunt.



ROD LOHOAR
EAST FREMANTLE
V SUBIACO.

East Fremantle are too slow and are playing like a team of geriatrics.

Sharks face two FOOTY'S FORM GUIDE big hurdles

Claremont	W	W	L	L	W	W	L	W	W	L	W	W	L	Wv South F'tle at Subiaco Oval
Subiaco	W	W	W	L	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	Wv East F'tle at East F'tle Oval
Swan Districts	W	L	L	L	W	L	W	L	L	L	L	L	L	W
Perth	D	W	L	W	W	W	L	W	W	L	L	W	W	W
West Perth	D	L	L	W	L	L	W	L	W	W	W	W	W	L
East Perth	L	L	W	L	W	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	W
East Fremantle	L	W	W	W	L	W	L	W	W	W	W	L	Lv Subiaco at East Fremantle Oval	
South Fremantle	L	L	W	L	L	L	W	L	L	L	L	L	Wv Claremont at Subiaco Oval	

LAURIE Keene and Phil Scott will be East Fremantle's two biggest hurdles in their quest to beat Subiaco in the game-of-the-day at East Fremantle Oval this Saturday.

One of WA's leading ruckman in Paul Harding faces the enormous task of competing with not one, but both of these big men.

Harding will need the support of Brad Tunbridge to give his smaller mobile players the necessary opportunities at the hit-outs.

If the Sharks can record their first win over the Lions for the season, it will give them a badly needed boost in confidence after some indifferent form in recent weeks.

A win by the Sharks will keep them in strong contention for a second semi-final berth, with Claremont favoured to beat South Fremantle at Claremont Oval.

It will be a difficult task for East Fremantle to beat the all-conquering Subiaco side despite the home ground advantage.

Apart from the superb skills of Keene and Scott, the Sharks must counter Subiaco's brilliant band of midfield players.

Veterans Peter Featherby and Neil Taylor continue to show the way to their younger teammates.

This pair, plus runners Dwayne Lamb, Brian Taylor, Andrew MacNish and Glenn O'Loughlin, destroyed the formidable West Perth mobile division in Kalgoorlie, which is an ominous sign for the Sharks.

Brian Peake and Chris Mainwaring continue to dominate midfield for the Sharks, but this pair need support.

East Fremantle badly missed the services of Murray Wrensted and Gerard Neesham against Claremont and it was clear that this pair are important cogs in the Sharks plan to win back-to-back premierships.

The Sharks will be looking for a big performance from energetic ruck-rover Peter Wilson, who was strangely quiet against the Tigers.

Subiaco will be hoping that outstanding centre-half-forward Warren Dean can take his place after missing the Kalgoorlie game because of injury.

Dean's marking and long-kicking ability makes him a potential match-winner and the Sharks tacticians will need to give serious thought to who is best equipped to oppose this player if he is able to take his place in the Lions line-up.

Either the in-form Shane Ellis or the rugged Tony Solin will be given this difficult assignment, but both can expect a busy afternoon with Dean's agility and fitness.

THIS WEEK'S GAMES

RADIO

Saturday: 6PR — Claremont v South Fremantle, at Subiaco Oval; 6NR, 6WF — East Fremantle v Subiaco, at East Fremantle Oval.

TELEVISION

Saturday: (ABC regionals only) East Fremantle v Subiaco.



TONY CARR'S

PREVIEW

A look at this week's WAFL fixtures.



PERTH ruckmen Ian Newman (pictured) and John Gavranich have found great touch and loom as threats to opposition teams — especially Subiaco pair Laurie Keene and Phil Scott — come finals time. The Demons now look certain to be there for the first time since 1978.

TIGERS CAN SECURE SECOND SPOT

RETAINING second place will be Claremont's prize if they beat South Fremantle at Claremont Oval this Saturday.

The Bulldogs do not have fond memories of the last time they travelled to Claremont Oval, when they were humiliated to the tune of 147 points in the first round of the season.

The young South side have improved considerably since that bleak day, but they still lack the skill of the talented Claremont side.

Claremont's fleet-footed midfield brigade will trouble South Fremantle again with Steve Goulding, Darrell Panizza, Michael Mitchell and Peter Davidson potential match-winners for the Tigers.

Add to this such hard-working players as Cam Shepherd, Tony Begovich and Mark Hann and the Tigers will take some beating.

The Bulldogs players at last are giving captain Mark Bairstow and talented rover Wally Matera the support they deserve.

Ruck-rovers Merv Dellar and Wayne Hardie and rovers David Hart and Stephen Rowe are displaying more consistency in their game which was missing earlier in the season.

The South Fremantle ruck of Craig Edwards and Gordon Gatti is performing well and giving these smaller mobile players more opportunities at the hit-outs.

Claremont still have a problem in the ruck with David Court asked to do the bulk of the work.

The Tigers are likely to be forced to take David O'Connell from centre-half-forward to give Court more support on the ball if they are to compete with sides like Subiaco.

Claremont do not have a player in their ranks to hold down this important position, but they have the ability to kick winning scores with players of the calibre of Derek Kickett and John Scott up forward.

This pair will be danger players for the South defence, especially the unpredictable Kickett, who is capable of anything on his day.

Claremont's potent goalkicking power will be the difference between the two sides in what should be a closer result to the very one-sided first round match.

OUR EXPERTS SELECT

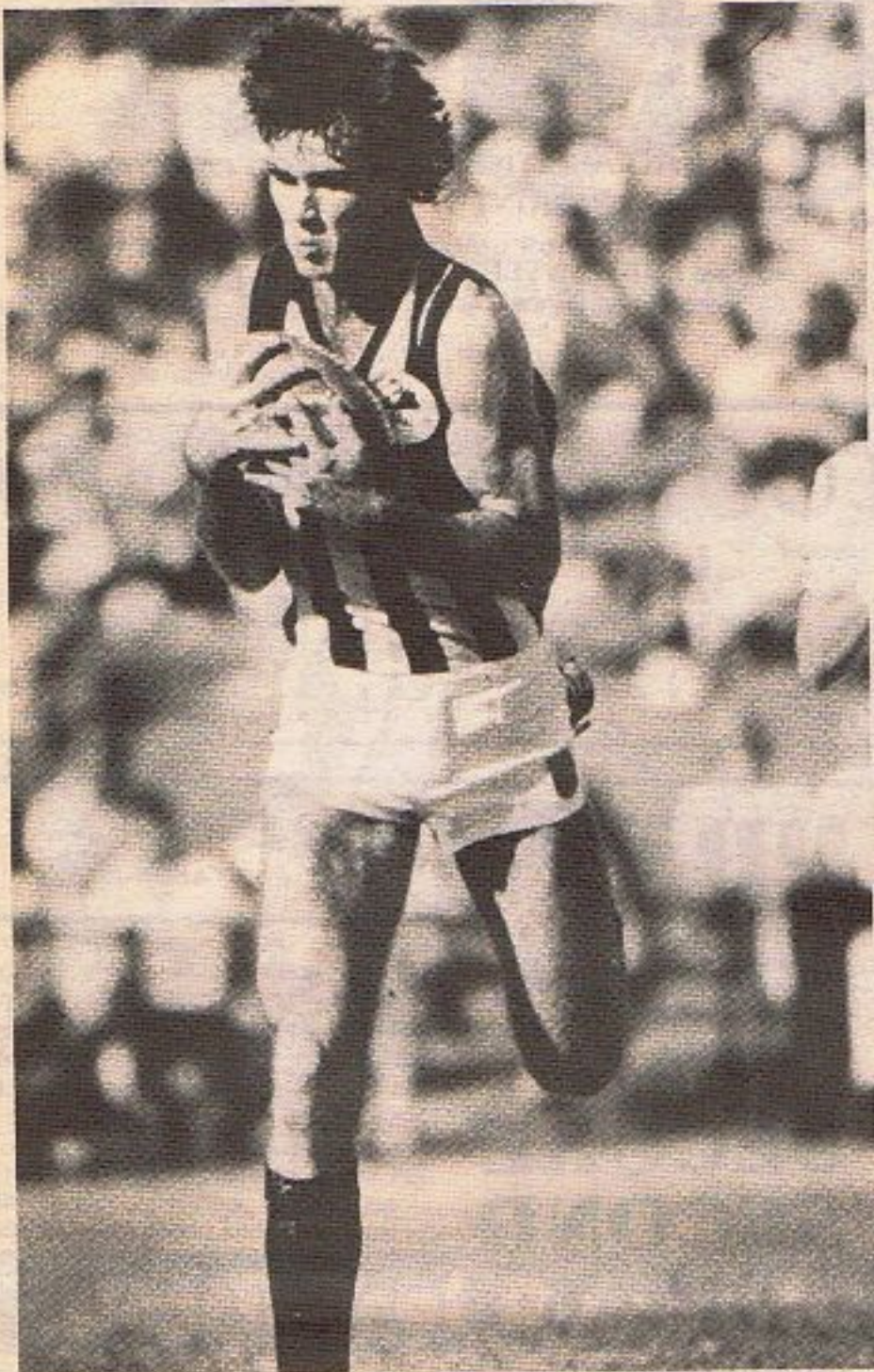
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THE HOOD	35	Subiaco	Claremont
ROBERT BENNETT	43	Subiaco	Claremont
MOTHER BROWN	37	Subiaco	South Fremantle
BILL MATHER-BROWN	39	Subiaco	Claremont
TONY CARR	41	Subiaco	Claremont
DAVE CLEMENT	41	Subiaco	Claremont
GRANT DORRINGTON	42	Subiaco	Claremont
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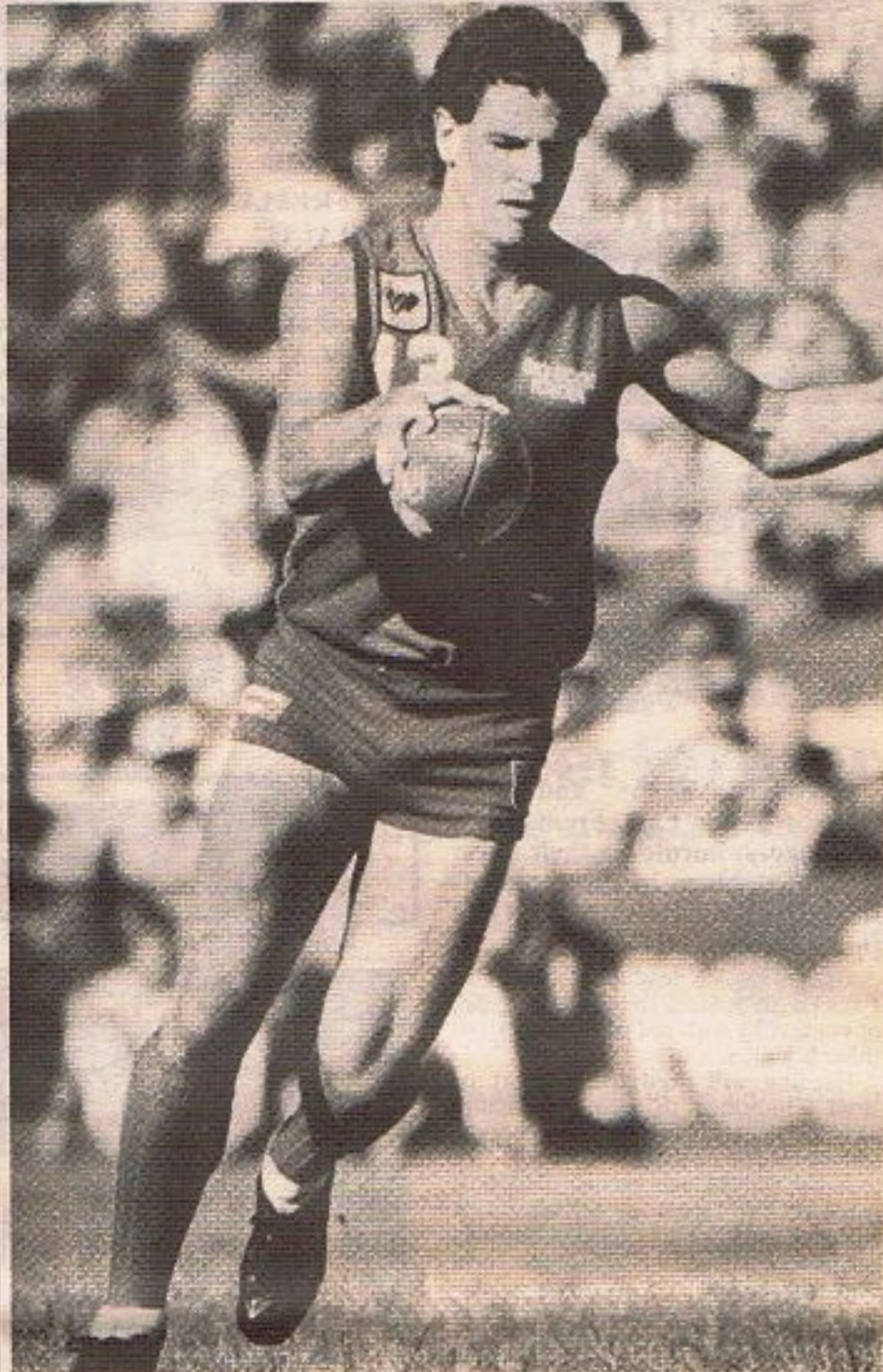
**PETER
SARTORI**

 **PERSONAL DETAILS**

Full Name: Peter Sartori
Nickname: Satters *Why:* From Surname
Date of Birth: 10.10.64 *Place of Birth:* Perth
Height: 197cm (6'5½") *Weight:* 92kg (14st 7lb)
Age Started Playing: 16
Previous Club: Redcliffe Junior Football Club *Junior Club:* Redcliffe
Marital Status: Single
Residence: Wembley
Occupation: Student *Place of Work:* W.A.I.T.
Other Sporting Interests: Golf, Tennis, Scuba Diving
Favourite Position: Centre-Half-Forward *First Position:* Forward Pocket
League Debut: 1981 *Versus:* East Fremantle

YOUR FAVOURITES:

Actor: No one in particular *Drink:* Water, Milk, Bourbon
TV Show: Hill St Blues *Food:* Seafood
Movie: Too many to name *Music:* Talking Heads, U2, Style Council
Book: One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest *Holiday Resort:* Hawaii, Anywhere in America
Ground: Bassendean
Your Car: Nissan 280ZX *Your Favourite Car:* Porsche 928.5
Career Highlights: 1983, 84 Premierships, 1986 State game
Worst Moment in Football: Injuring shoulder at start of 1985 season
Hard Things in Football: Being consistent, concentrating for long periods
Football Idols: No one in particular
Toughest Opponent: No one in particular *Most Respected Opponent:* Stephen Micheal
Most Respected Umpire: David Johnson
Most Memorable Game: 1983 Grand Final
Ambitions: Too many to name
What do you like about Football: Most things
How do you Mentally Prepare for a Game: Do as little as possible Saturday morning and get plenty of sleep Friday night
Who Influenced Your Career: John Todd
Guernsey Number: 8 *Any Reason:* Changed from 15, hoping for a change of luck
Superstitions: None
Worst Injury: Continual dislocation of shoulder
Luckiest Break: Coming under John Todd at an early age



**CRAIG
BINDER**

 **PERSONAL DETAILS**

Full Name: Craig Binder
Nickname: Bins *Why?* Surname abbreviation
Date of Birth: 9.12.64 *Place of Birth:* Melbourne, Victoria
Height: 183cm (6.0) *Weight:* 83kg (13st) *Age Started Playing:*
Previous Club/s: Balga Junior Football Club
Junior Club:
Marital Status: Single *Wife's Name:*
Children's Names (if any):
Residence:
Occupation: Glazier *Place of Work:*
Hobbies: Any sporting activities
Other Sporting Interests: Cricket, Golf, Basketball
Favourite Position: Anywhere *First League Position:* Half back
Current Position: Half back
League Debut: 1984 Subiaco *Versus:*

YOUR FAVOURITES:

Actor: Bill Murray *Drink:* Beer
TV Show: Food *Food:* Chinese
Movie: The Deer Hunter *Music:*
Book: Any sport book *Holiday Resort:*
Ground:
Your Car: Ford Falcon XD *Your Favourite Car:*
Career Highlights: First League game, 1984
Worst Moment in Football: Losing games
Hard Things in Football: Training and maintaining consistency
Football Idols: Bill Dempsey, John Duckworth
Toughest Opponent: Most Respected Opponent:
Most Respected Umpire:
Most Memorable Game:
Ambitions: To play in a West Perth premiership side
What do you like about Football:
How do you Mentally Prepare for a Game: Listen to music
Who Influenced Your Career: Parents (Nola and Barry), John Wynne
Guernsey Number: 13 *Any Reason:*
Advice to youngsters: To train hard and persevere
Superstitions:
Worst Injury:
Luckiest Break:

MILESTONE MEN

50 GAMES

Glenn O'Loughlin (P) 49
David Morgan (EP) 49
Mark Zanotti (S) 47
Stephen Sells (S) 47
Adrian Barich (P) 47
Glenn Bartlett (EP) 46

100 GAMES

David Rankin (EF) 98*
Steve Goulding (C) 98
Allan Montgomery (P) 98*
Mick Rea (P) 98*
Ray Holden (P) 96*

* Denotes that tally includes other games as follows: Ray Holden 79 West Perth, 3 Melbourne; David Rankin 10 Fitzroy; Allan Montgomery 33 Carlton; Mick Rea 22 West Perth.

150 GAMES

Grant Campbell (EP) 149
Steve Malaxos (C) 148*
Chris Allen (EP) 148*

* Denotes that tally includes other games as follows: Steve Malaxos 9 Hawthorn; Chris Allen 17 Swan Districts.

200 GAMES

Phil Lamb (S) 196
Neil Taylor (S) 196

250 GAMES

Tony Buhagiar (EF) 241*

* Denotes that tally includes other games as follows: Tony Buhagiar 83 Essendon, 25 Footscray.

300 GAMES

Brian Peake (EF) 294*

* Denotes that tally includes other games as follows: Brian Peake 66 Geelong.

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CLOSE ENCOUNTER

MANY people were surprised to see me appear personally at the Wycombe Country Club last Friday for 6PR's Football Forum — especially one particular lady. As I donned by gear, mask and all, I bumped into the lady in the changerooms. Shock, horror; her hair stood on end — and so did mine. I had dressed in the stripper's changeroom and I don't know who was caught out most.

NO WORRIES

THE rather unacceptable incident involving the set of circumstances surrounding the West Perth-Subiaco colts and reserves game a couple of weeks back has been quietly shelved. With the league side playing at Kalgoorlie, it seems as though most people forgot about the other 80 players who had to battle it out in the minor grades. When the colts people turned up at Subiaco at their appointed time for battle there were no scoreboard attendants ground markings or time-clock operators and it seems as though no-one at League HQ wants to get too concerned about who slipped up.

TOPIC

SWAN Districts coach John Todd, who celebrated his 400th club game as a coach last week, has some interesting thoughts on champions of the past. Todd believes that the football officialdom in WA tends to forget about the stars of bygone eras. Speaking on 6PR's Football Forum last week, Todd says that football has produced many fine players in the past, but little is done to keep them involved and honour them in some way. Todd will therefore certainly be a strong supporter of the Sports Museum being planned for WA under the direction of the Sports Federation. He might even donate his Sandover Medal — as the game's youngest winner, that would be a coup for the Sports Museum.

HOME-GROWN

TALKING about State coach Ron Alexander, he was certainly a little annoyed when some of the Channel 7 World of Football panellists wanted to question him about the inclusion of Victorians Colin Waterson and Geoff Miles in the WA State-of-Origin team against the Vics this week. Alexander sharply reminded the TV critics that the decision allowing those two men to play for WA was made some weeks back and that was the time to discuss the issue. "I regard both of them as West Australians and that's all there is about it," said the Sharks captain-coach.

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MATHS PROBLEM

IT seems as though Umpires Adviser Bob Phillips has a little problem with his maths — even though I believe he is an accountant. In an interesting segment on Channel 7's World of Football last week, a panel comprising Phillips, recently-retired player George Michalczyk and West Perth president Rod Brown were shown film clips of 14 debatable umpiring decisions. They all gave their version of what the umpire should have done and then the film was run through again with panel chairman Dennis Cometti revealing what the actual decision was. Brown admitted that he only got seven of the 14 right — and said he knew three of those from his observation of the actual incident at the time. Phillips then said he got 13 of the 14 right — but we don't agree with that tally. Our score sheet showed that Phillips only got seven of the decisions in line with what his umpires actually ruled. Michalczyk, who wasn't asked for his tally, managed six correct! With that type of confusion, no wonder we have controversies over our umpires! Only four of the 14 situations saw all three panelists agree with what the umpire decided.



SORE SIDNEY

POOR old Garry Sidebottom! He didn't get much sympathy from the one-eyed East Perth fans in the members stand at Perth Oval last week when he hobbled off with what looked like a bad injury. Sidey is one of those players that rival fans love to hate.

FUTILE FIGHT

THE age-old debate over whether umpires should get involved in breaking up player skirmishes or stand back and watch continues to rage on. At Perth Oval last Saturday Swans rover Barry Kimberley was engaged in a brawling match on the boundary line near the Swans coaches box in the second quarter; indulging in some kind of fight with his East Perth rival, Peter Wright. The boundary umpire took a close look at proceedings for a few seconds and then decided to get on with his job. No-one else went rushing into the fray; the nearby players ignored the brawlers and in the end they both got up looking a bit sheepish about the whole thing. Obviously, Swans have changed their policy as it wasn't that long ago when every member of their team would rush into such an incident.

STRONG SUPPORT

IF anyone ever doubted the sheer forthrightness of Channel 7's World of Football compere Dennis Cometti and his unbiased approach to sports reporting, they should have been convinced last weekend. Cometti totally defended Mal Brown's actions in ripping a microphone from a television interviewer and dumping it in a rubbish bin. The interviewer was from Cometti's own station and he said that the TV man had no right to be where he was. "Coaches shouldn't have to tolerate having microphones shoved in their face when they are concentrating on coaching their team," said Cometti. Cometti has never been a fan of Brown as a football personality, so you realise how hard it must have been for him to defend the Perth coach in the wake of Saturday's Lathlain Park sensations.

RUCK RIVALS

IT'S interesting to see how footballers compare their fellow-men — especially if you are a veteran and you're assessing the merit of an up-and-comer. State coach Ron Alexander was a lion-hearted ruckman in all of his 307 games — but he doesn't tolerate peers who don't apply themselves. It's no secret that Alexander wasn't too hot on the idea of John Ironmonger, the 1983 Sandover Medallist, being in the State side this week. He believes that the Sydney Swans ace ruckman doesn't do enough work around the ground to match the contributions of players like Paul Harding; the man Alexander chose to lead the WA ruck against the Vics.

ON THE SPOT

RADIO station 6NR was right on the spot when Mal Brown took the Perth reserves team from the field last Saturday. And they had former Demon Allan "Chubby" Stiles at ground level ready for the interviews. First the former Perth back-pocket player talked with West Perth's Rod White, but everyone expected a scoop interview with Brown himself. Chubby was able to get Brown to agree to an interview and no doubt their audience waited impatiently to discover the reasons for taking his team from the ground. Stiles asked Brown why he had taken his action and Brown simply said they played badly, didn't they? Stiles said they sure did and then promptly started discussing the league game. 6NR had the right idea, but they missed a great interview. Stiles should have persisted with his questioning about the reserves match.



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INTERSTATE UPDATE

From our Eastern States correspondents



Mew can add to Hawthorn's defence

FORMER All-Australian defender Chris Mew is on the comeback trail.

Mew last played for Hawthorn on April 26 against Fitzroy at Victoria Park and Hawthorn are obviously keen to work him back into their senior team.

In his absence, Chris Langford has filled the full-back role, so much so that he earned a spot in the VFL defence this week.

BUT that won't bother Mew.

Mew prefers to play at centre-half-back as he likes to run the ball out of defence and he has more room to move up the ground.

While Mew has been sidelined, Paul Abbott has given the Hawks tremendous service across half-back, but he could be switched to a flank without upsetting the balance of the team.



Earlier in the season Langford was struggling for his best form. But club champion Perter Knights had a talk with the Melbourne Grammar recruit which has helped Abbott.

Knights has also helped Langford adapt to Mew's style of play and that should enable the Hawks to build a close-knit defence when Mew returns to senior action.

Langford has received a boost in confidence and he has taken over where Mew left off. Mew has always been one of the first players chosen to play for Victoria.

RED FACES

THERE were some red faces at Hawthorn this week when Darren Millane made the Victorian squad for Tuesday's interstate match against WA. Millane trained pre-season with Hawthorn, but was told that he would need to work his way up through the under-19s.

That idea did not appeal to Millane, so he returned to Dandenong, but then crossed to Collingwood shortly after.

Since joining the Magpies, Millane has been one of the club's most consistent players and rates highly in the recruit-pf-the-year stakes.

DOMINATOR BACK

WAYNE Johnston has slipped into the background this season, but "The Dominator" is back.

Johnston lost the captaincy at Carlton this season to Mark McClure and with the arrival of interstate recruits like Craig Bradley and Jon Dorotich, he has slipped out of the limelight.

However, in the last couple of matches he has returned to his best form and is ready to step back into the spotlight.

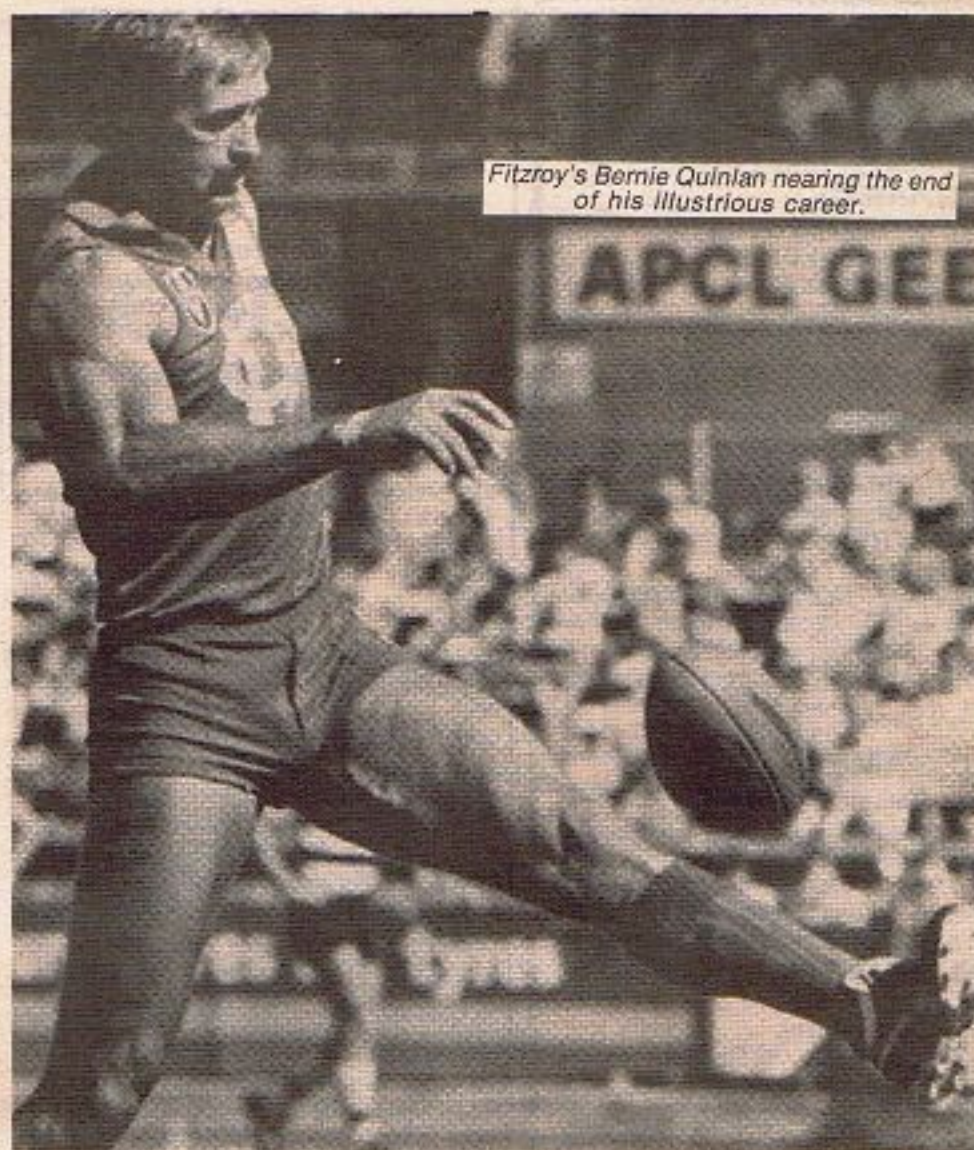
IRISH RECRUIT

REMEMBER the move by Ron Barassi to take on a recruiting drive in Ireland four years ago?

Well it is starting to pay dividends. It was four years ago on grand final day that Sean Wight stepped off the plane to try his luck at Australian Football. Now he is playing senior football with Melbourne.

Though he has not won a regular place in the Demons line-up, Wight has given some encouraging performances at full-back for Melbourne and he looks to have the capacity to earn a regular berth.

Who said it couldn't be done!



Fitzroy's Bernie Quinlan nearing the end of his illustrious career.

All-in brawl mars opening

THE intense battle for places in the South Australian top five saw a sensational start to last week's Port Adelaide versus South Adelaide match.

At least 30 players were involved in a brawl that left Martin Leslie (Port) and South's John Schneebichler both on report for striking.

Port Adelaide notched a 43-point win over lowly Souths and moved back into the five at the expense of Sturt, who received a 77-point drubbing at the hands of flag favourites North Adelaide.

Central District, 1½ games away from third place but still out of the five, gave their finals hopes a boost as they beat West Adelaide by 34 points.

The loss by Wests put the future of coach John Cahill under a cloud as he admitted that his side would be lucky to make the finals after their fourth loss in five weeks.

Woodville's winning streak, which had taken them to within a game of the top five, was ended by third-placed Glenelg, who stormed to a 39-point victory.

Second-placed Norwood kept their position secure with a hard-earned 24 point win over West Torrens in an unimpressive display.

TALENT SEARCH

NORTH Melbourne are after a family double as they try to entice 17-year-old Brenton Harris across the border. The Kangaroos already have Darren Harris at Arden Street and they hope to get the Teal Cup star there within two years.

SAINTS WORK FOR FUTURE

TO SAY that things could be going better for St Kilda would be a gross under-statement.

But at least the Saints are doing the right thing and promoting young players. They must look to the future and obviously it will take time for the policy to produce results.

One of the youngsters to impress this season is 20-year-old defender David Wittey.

Wittey was recruited from amateur team Old Brighton Grammarians last season, which he spent in the under-19s. Wittey was originally a forward, but he has been converted into a half-back flanker with the Saints.



Harris is tied to South Adelaide and is the second Teal Cup player to be chased by a VFL club since the championships in Adelaide last month. West Torrens rover Dominic Fotia, who made his League debut two weeks back, has been approached by Hawthorn, Essendon and North Melbourne.

TOUGH LETHAL

THE revival of the VFL's most popular club, Collingwood, under the coaching of former Hawthorn veteran Leigh Matthews is one of the success stories of the year. Lethal took over earlier this year on the resignation of Bob Rose and he has lifted the Magpies into fifth position. The players say it is his discipline that makes Collingwood a better team. "Leigh is straight to the point; that's his big asset," said Collingwood legend Bill Picken. One of the highlights of last week's win over Geelong was the impressive debut of Michael Lockman, the much-travelled former Richmond player who had a couple of seasons with West Perth. Cleared to Collingwood for no charge, Lockman had five kicks and three handpasses when he came into action in the second half.

WA PLAYER ROUND-UP

	KICKS	MARKS	H/BALLS	SCORE
CARLTON				
Wayne Blackwell	9	—	10	0.1
COLLINGWOOD				
Brian Taylor	12	6	1	7.2
ESSENDON				
Leon Baker	22	3	13	1.0
Mike Richardson	17	5	17	1.1
FITZROY				
Dean Turner	18	4	4	—
FOOTSCRAY				
Simon Beasley	5	5	1	3.1
Tim Gepp	7	3	7	1.0
Brad Hardie	21	9	9	—
Andres Purser	8	5	6	—
Murray Rance	6	2	6	1.0
GEELONG				
Gary Malarkey	11	5	1	—
RICHMOND				
John Annear	19	7	14	—
David Palm	6	2	8	—
Maurice Rioli	9	2	5	1.1
HAWTHORN				
Gary Buckenara	15	6	6	2.2
Rod Lester-Smith	14	8	7	1.0
NORTH MELBOURNE				
Ross Glendinning	14	9	3	—
Stephen McCann	5	5	3	—
SYDNEY SWANS				
Craig Holden	10	1	7	—
John Ironmonger	—	—	8	—
ST KILDA				
Phil Cronan	6	1	5	—
Phil Narkle	10	2	2	1.1

HIT OUTS: John Ironmonger — Swans 9; Andrew Purser — Footscray 11; Stephen McCann — North Melbourne 12.

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

MOTHER BROWN

TIME TO GO PUBLIC

A COUPLE of weeks ago Channel 7, through the World of Football, programme, held a telephone poll where people registered their thoughts on whether they preferred to be represented by an existing team or a composite side in any national football competition.

The result was that most people wanted a composite team. In Adelaide a similar phone-in was conducted, but their poll was on whether the public wanted their football to go national. Unfortunately, most people were against the move. I do not believe that reaction is a result of people wanting to save their own domestic competition ahead of seeing the best players in the game in action every week. I think that response comes because people do not understand how the national league will operate. And the same situation exists in WA. I believe WAFL chief executive John Walker should go public and explain exactly how the competition will operate.

GOOD POLICY

IT was good to see the WAFL continue with its policy of playing the grand final of the CIG Shield as the curtain-raiser to Tuesday's interstate clash. That would be a tremendous thrill for the young players to play in front of a large crowd and for some of those youngsters it could provide the incentive to go on to make the big time. Those young players displayed good skills and there were some outstanding prospects in both teams. Congratulations to the players from the Scarborough and Hamilton Senior High Schools for a most entertaining match.

LOP-SIDED

AFTER Sunday's World of Football programme, I received several phone calls complaining about a particular segment on the show. People enjoyed the opportunity of having an independent panel of a player, an administrator and umpires coach Bob Phillips to discuss decisions in 14 different circumstances. However, those people who phoned me were upset that the administrator was West Perth president Rod Brown and the player was recently-retired West Perth star George Michalczyk. That gave the panel a lop-sided view and another club should have been represented.

GOOD BET

SUE Moylan, wife of Perth general manager Mick Moylan, certainly let it be known who she was supporting in last week's important clash between Perth and West Perth last Saturday. Sue disappeared for a while, but came back with red and black spray in her hair. Congratulations on winning the bet. Sue

Brown episode was disgusting

THE whole Mal Brown episode last Saturday at Lathlain Park left a bitter taste in my mouth.

As if he didn't do enough damage at the match, his comments on World of Football on Sunday disgusted me.

His uncalled for comments about Peter Murnane, Rod Brown and the West Perth club as a whole were very unfair.

It is hard to condone such behaviour from a man with Brownie's experience. But maybe he thought he needed to get back into the limelight after a quiet season where he has taken a deliberate low profile.

SAD TO SEE

THE reporting of Dean and Brett Farmer in Saturday's reserves match must have disappointed their father the legendary Graham "Polly" Farmer.

Throughout his long and illustrious career, Polly was a model of fairness on the field, playing the game hard, but always fair.

Abusing umpires was never part of the great man's game and



With former West Perth, VFL and SANFL star JOHN DUCKWORTH.

he must have been frustrated by his sons playing behaviour.

If the Farmer brothers concentrated on playing football and not backchatting umpires, maybe they would be regular members of the league side.

CRUCIAL CLASH

THE result of the East Fremantle-Subiaco clash at East Fremantle Oval this Saturday will be crucial for both the Sharks and West Perth.

The Falcons will be hoping for a Lions victory to improve their fast fading final four hopes.

If Subiaco win and West Perth beat the Sharks at Leederville Oval the following Saturday, the Falcons will be only two points out of the four.

Whatever happens, every game now will be a grand final for West Perth.

STATE-OF-ORIGIN

A REAL WINNER

THE concept of State-of-Origin football (implemented by Leon Larkin in 1977) has proved to be a real winner in the interstate football arena.

With a national competition just around the corner, this week's clash could be the last under current rules and regulations.

Certainly WA and SA have displayed the quality of talent in their State; a quality that continually produces stars for the VFL.

Actually, the VFL cheated a little in this week's clash with WA. Now that the Swans are based in Sydney, their players do not live in Melbourne, so they aren't really entitled to play for Victoria under the State-of-Origin.

BIG INFLUENCE

EAST Perth finally broke the drought with a fine victory over Swan Districts last week.

Watching the game via the ABC country telecast, the player who really set up the win was big Alex Ishchenko.

He enjoyed a top contest with Peter Sartori and his strength and strong marking created many opportunities for his side.

Even though Ishchenko's form had been patchy, I feel he languished in the reserves far too long. I don't believe it is any coincidence that with Ishchenko back in the league side, their performance against Perth and Swan Districts have been the best for two months.

An injury-free and mentally tuned Ishchenko, along with young Craig Starceovich, gives the Royals a talented and formidable big-man line-up.

LOST OPPORTUNITY

TALKING with Carlton football manager Stephen Gough last week, I inquired about former Perth ruckman Rhett Baynes.

He indicated that Carlton were very keen to use Baynes in the Fosters night finals in recent weeks so the club could rest Justin Madden.

Baynes, who has not played a league game this year, missed his opportunity because he has been out of action over the past four weeks with a back injury.

Baynes will hope that opportunity knocks again at league level before 1986 is over.

Gough was full of praise for Jon Dorotich, the form centre-half-back in the competition and a West Aussie really thriving in Melbourne.

It was certainly a disappointment for WA that Dorotich couldn't play last Tuesday against the Vics.

By former WA and VFL star

IAN MILLER



STATE SCHOOLBOYS

I had the opportunity to speak to our State schoolboy players last week.

They were attending a live-in camp at Penrhos College under the direction of this year's coach Ric Evans (a former Claremont's colts coach), Brian Douge and Ross Davis, from the WAFL.

The week provided a valuable time for the players to really foster camaraderie and team spirit for the coming carnival in Adelaide early August.

The boys will play seven games in just nine days, a busy program in which the meet SA and Victoria in the first three games.

It is a great privilege to represent your State and these young men will enjoy the competition against the country's best 15-year-olds and value the experience gained.

LAZY TIGERS

THE Claremont league squad spent last Friday evening and Saturday at the Lazy Crab Holiday Resort, south of Mandurah, enjoying the hospitality of mine host Graham Buffham.

The players appreciated the weekend away from normal fixtures and took the opportunity to further foster team spirit in pleasant surroundings and plan for the remainder of the season.

One of the highlights of the two days was that Graham Moss and yours truly made it back to base after the 10km early morning run on Saturday — just!



Wheelchair sports critic BILL MATHER-BROWN

FROM WHERE I SIT

Jack's long game was a beauty

AS Jack O'Dea ran onto the ground with the South Perth Amateurs in the late 1930s, I wonder if he had any idea that he would be, as they say, eating, drinking and sleeping football for the next 50 years of his life.

Probably not, because his only intention, as far as he can recall, was to try and make the grade that would carry him into league football.

He felt that he had to reach that level because his father Joe, who had been a good player with Mines Rovers, in Kalgoorlie, had inspired his son to make the grade with Perth.

Joe O'Dea had achieved something which can never be done today — he was chosen to play for Western Australia while still attached to the Goldfields League; back in 1908 when New Zealand were still pretty big on the Australian Rules scene.

Jack O'Dea won his first Perth guernsey against East Perth at Subiaco Oval in 1940. The occasion was one of the big thrills of his life; something he has never forgotten.

He represented Perth for the next nine years, playing mostly on a half-back flank or in the back pocket. Reaching 100 games was another momentous occasion.

The transmission from player to administrator was largely due to Perth stalwart Pat Fogarty, who suggested that Jack run for a place on the administration. This was towards the end of Jack's playing days and as he wanted to stay in the football world, he accepted the challenge.

His initial post in 1952 was that of Assistant Secretary and Honourary Treasurer.

Four years later, in 1956, he had shown his worth and the club promoted him to Secretary; working in that capacity for four years before being given the heavy responsibility of Manager, a post he retained till just recently.

Jack was totally involved, not only working through the days but attending the club two or three nights a week as well; not only for a season or two, but for most of the years that he has served. With the meetings and training that he had to attend, he was hardly ever home.

Jack's tireless efforts have been recognised by Perth and the WAFL. Both bodies have awarded him life memberships.

To complement the job he was doing at Perth, he was appointed manager of the State team for the 1961 carnival in Brisbane; a series he remembers with relish as WA downed Victoria in an epic battle. It was the first time the West had won a carnival outside their home State.

Another honour came Jack's way in 1966 when he received a Meritorious Award from the Australian National Football Council. But things haven't been all sunshine; there have been a number of "downs".

The one he recalls with a certain amount of bitterness was when Bob Miller was sacked as coach of Perth in 1961.

"That left a bad taste in my mouth as I didn't think it was warranted. Bob and I had played a lot of football together and I had a lot of respect for him."

Jack has seen many players in his time and finds it difficult to name his best in any order. Perhaps the top half dozen would have been Merv McIntosh, Graham Farmer, Barry Cable, John Todd, Steve Marsh and Les McClements.

State sidelights

LEFT OUT

FOOTSCRAY full-forward Simon Beasley, a Simpson Medallist in the interstate arena a few years back, was not surprised at missing out on Tuesday's WA team even though the side lacked a spearhead. "They're trying to encourage local guys," said Beasley. "They (the selectors) haven't been in touch with me." Beasley came to Perth for a few days break — and felt before the match that the Vics would be too strong.

NEW ROLE

ANOTHER former WA player who made the trip home was Tim Gepp, now with Footscray after getting the salary-cap axe from Richmond. Gepp is now the national promotional manager for a chain of duty free shops and he was in Perth to help launch the opening of a shop in the city known as City Mall Duty Free. He certainly has no regrets about his move from Richmond to Footscray and has settled in exceptionally well in defence . . . and he even posted a rare goal last week.

TV STAR

DASHING defender Brad Hardie has become something of a television cult figure with his feature role in the Swan Premium commercial. The Tassie, Simpson and Brownlow Medal winner is flashed across our screens at regular intervals in what is probably one of the game's best promotional commercials. The commercial was shot in just a couple of days earlier this year with the producers taking four cameras to an Essendon-Footscray game to get the live action.

STAR RECRUIT

STAR Victorian wingman Darren Millane has made his mark on the State football arena — much to the surprise of several rival VFL clubs. Now at Collingwood, Millane had been looked at and rejected by "experts" at Hawthorn and St Kilda, before heading back to the VFA with Dandenong where the Magpies found him. Former WA player Max Richardson, a Collingwood stalwart, believes that the tall and solidly-built Millane is probably the best player at the club.

LIGHT-HEARTED

MEDIA men had a difficult time getting a sensible quote out of Victorian coach Kevin Sheedy before Tuesday's big game. After a fairly solid Victorian training session on Monday, Sheedy was in a jovial mood, laughing and joking with the media in preference to answering serious questions. In between quips about everyone taking the whole football business too seriously (he has to feel that way at present with Essendon slipping and sliding) he did make some positive points — including one that a full-time State coach would be a step forward.



Simon Beasley (left) enjoys a drink with Tim Gepp after the WA-Victoria State match.

HAPPIER NOW

THE magical talents of Maurice Rioli were nearly lost to football this year with the on-again pre-season contract saga. But the triple Simpson Medallist has settled in nicely back at Richmond, where he says the players were quick to welcome him back despite the planned move to the Sydney Swans. "They've been really fantastic," says Rioli. "And I feel as though I'm starting to get my form and confidence back now."

OPEN MIND

BROWNLOW Medallist Ross Glendinning is really keeping his options open for his football future. The former East Perth star has been tipped as a future coach back at Perth Oval, but with his contract at North Melbourne expiring this season, he's not planning too far ahead. Glendinning would love to be part of a composite WA team in a national football series, so he's probably just waiting to see what eventuates.

EARLY START

THERE was no doubt that young WA half-back Dean Laidley couldn't wait for the action to begin in Tuesday's big State match. As the rest of the WA team got in a close huddle for some last minute words of wisdom from skipper Brian Peake before the first bounce, the enthusiastic and obviously nervous Laidley headed for his position on the half-back-flank — all by himself.

TOUGH FOES

FRIENDSHIPS forgotten between VFL team mates playing in the respective State sides. WA's Tassie and Simpson Medal winner Brad Hardie played his Footscray team mate Brian Royal very close, while Hawthorn team mates Rod Lester-Smith and Dermott Brereton had an absorbing duel in the second half and were at the centre of several clashes after the long break. Brereton also clashed heavily with Hawk team mate Gary Buckenara whenever they came in contact.



Champion footballer Brad Hardie shows-off his Tassie and Simpson Medals.

Hardie pulls off the double

THE football career of Brad Hardie reached yet another high when he won his second Tassie and Simpson Medal double in three years in WA's memorable State-of-Origin victory over Victoria last Tuesday at Subiaco Oval.

The powerfully-built back-pocket player played a dashing game and impressed with his desperation and coolness in the last line of defence.

It completes a memorable last nine months for the brilliant redhead with his Brownlow Medal success last September and his continued superb form in the VFL this season.

"The last nine months has been like a fairytale you dream about," an ecstatic Hardie said in the rooms after Tuesday's big clash.

"That is my idea of an enjoyable Tuesday afternoon.

"The performance of the team, especially when all looked lost late in

the last quarter, was typical of the spirit of this bunch of guys.

Hardie believes WA football is in great hands with so many exciting young players on the way up.

"I have only been away from WA for two seasons and young players like Andrew MacNish, Dean Laidley and Peter Davidson have developed so quickly," he said.

"I can see why the Vics are not keen for WA to have a composite side in the proposed national competition.

"WA would beat any of the top VFL clubs."

Hardie is hopeful of ending the season in a Footscray premiership side.

"We have been playing good football in the last five weeks, but last Saturday's loss to the Sydney Swans was a disappointment."

Whatever happens to Footscray, one thing is for certain, Hardie has excellent prospects of winning consecutive Brownlow Medals to complete a fairytale 12 months.

CIG WINNERS



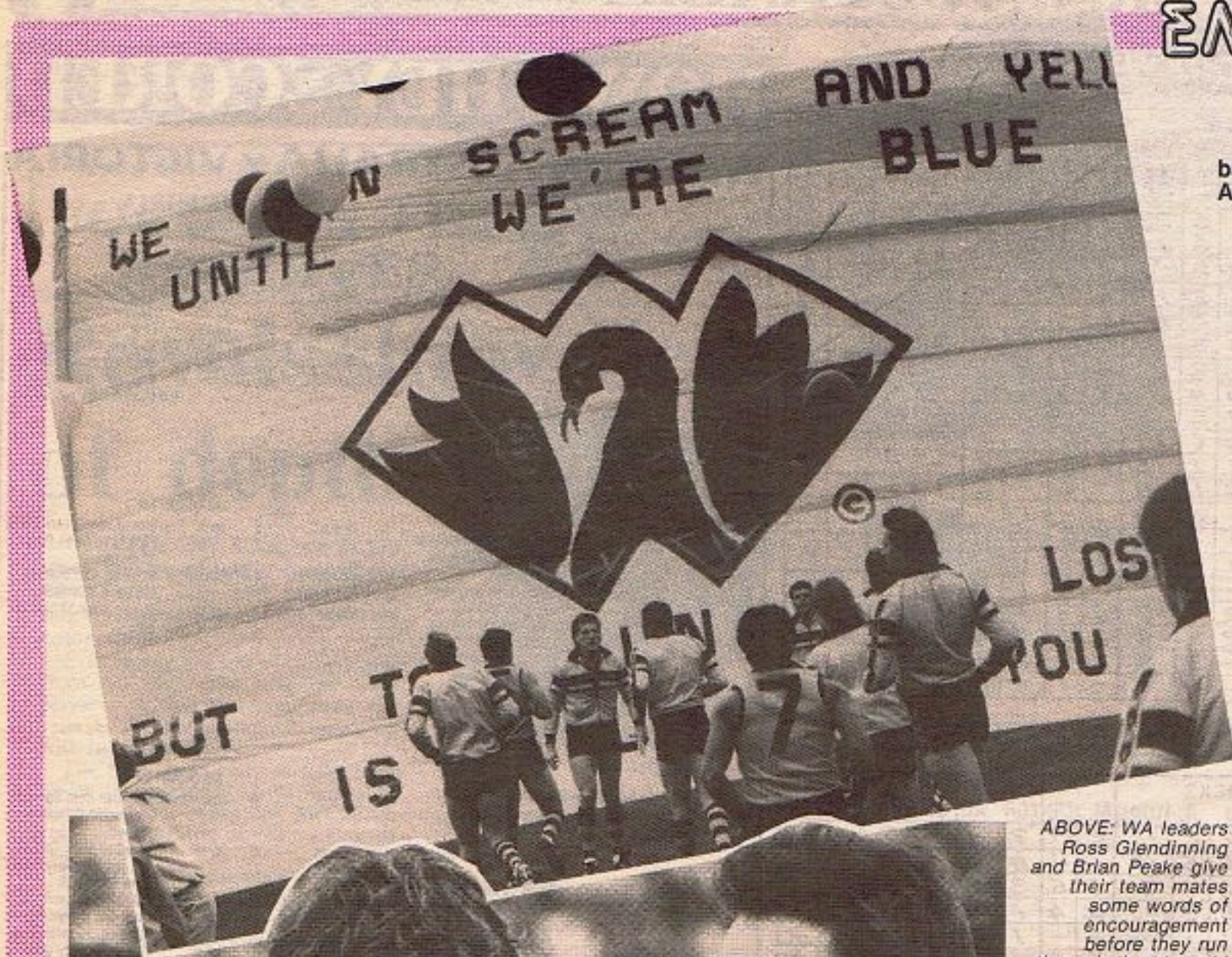
CIG State manager Dennis Myler presents Hamilton Hill captain Bruce Fulton with the CIG Shield and Preston Holland with the CIG Medal for being the fairest and best player in the grand final.



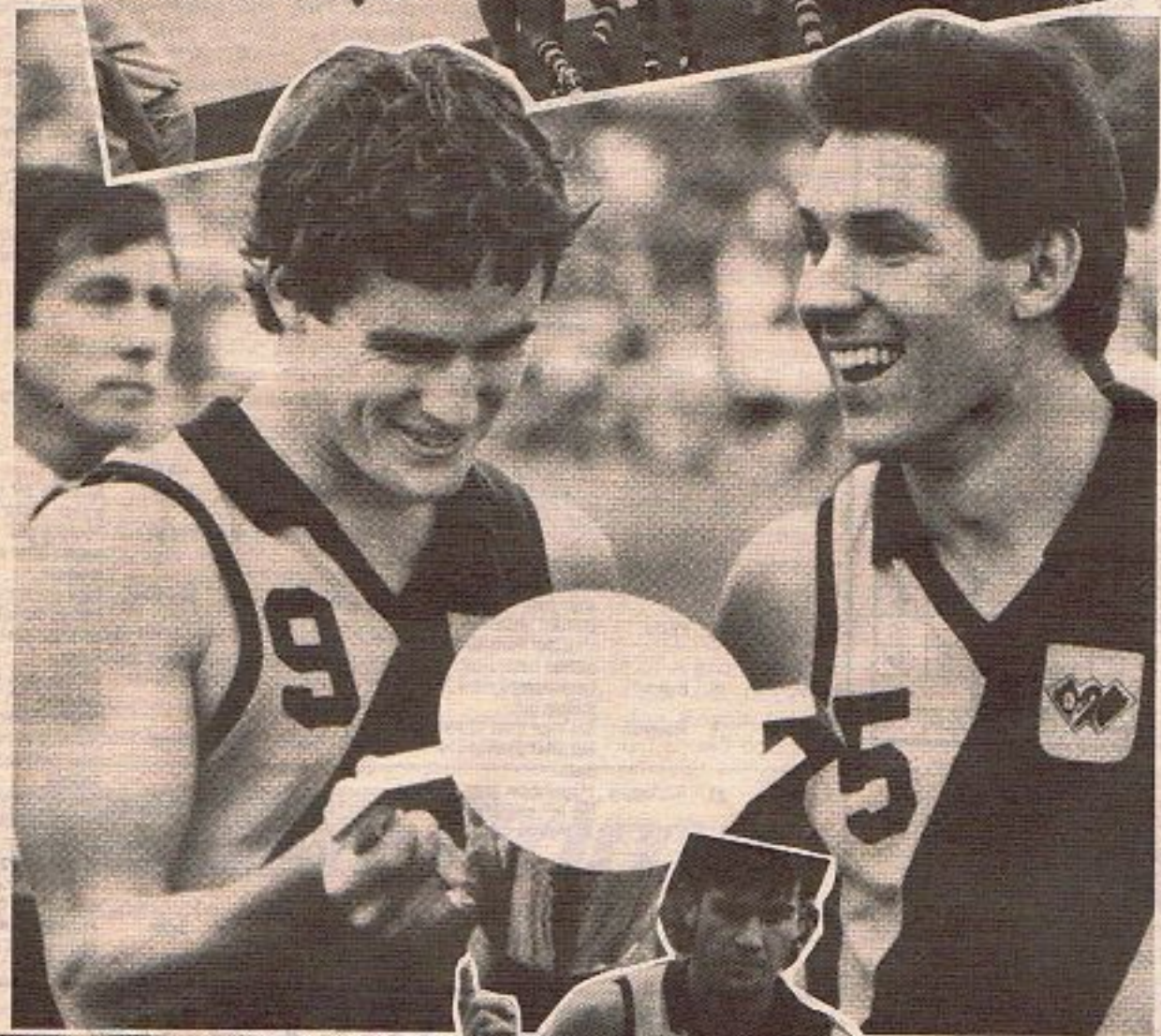
WAFL chairman Roy Annear draws the winning entry in the Emu Export golden football competition.

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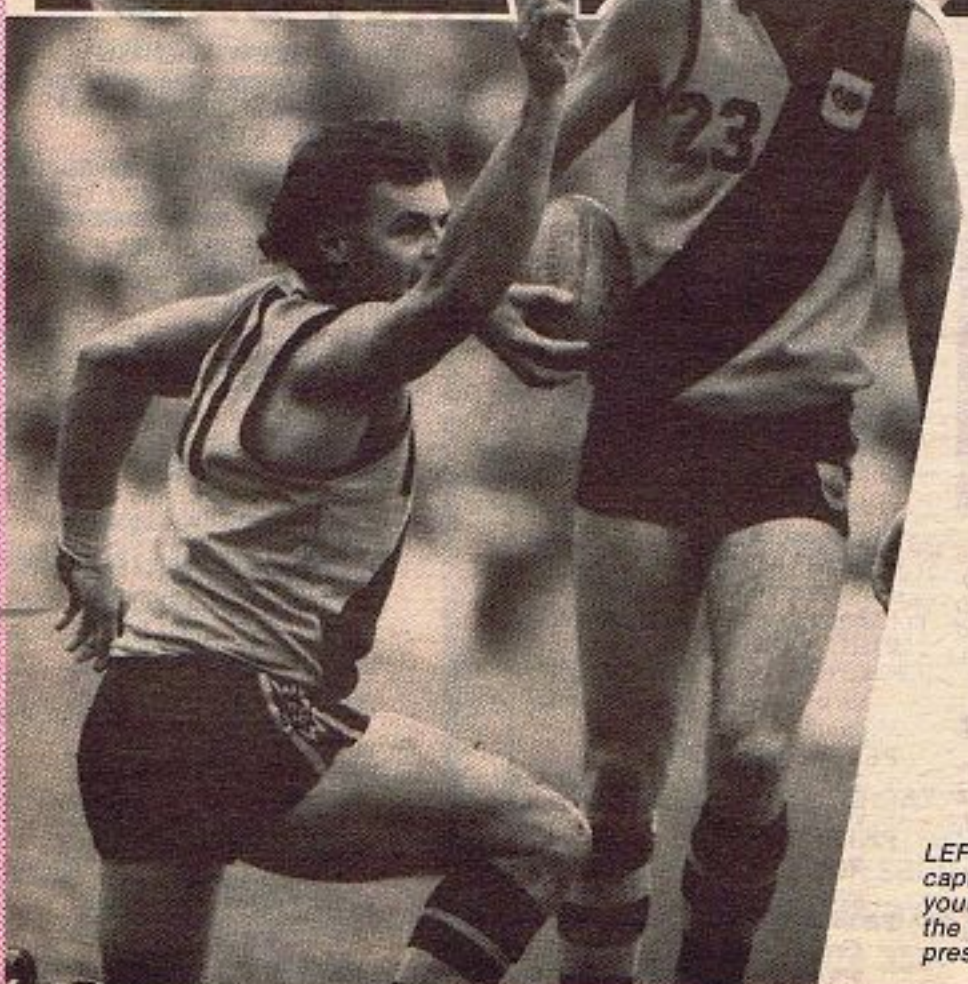
WA proved again that they are the best ball state in Australia by winning their Australian title in four years.



ABOVE: WA leaders Ross Glendinning and Brian Peake give their team mates some words of encouragement before they run through the big gold and black banner.



ABOVE: WA and Sublaco team mates Andrew MacNish and Dwayne Lamb are pretty happy as they admire the Australian Championship cup — and hope to be admiring another cup in late September.

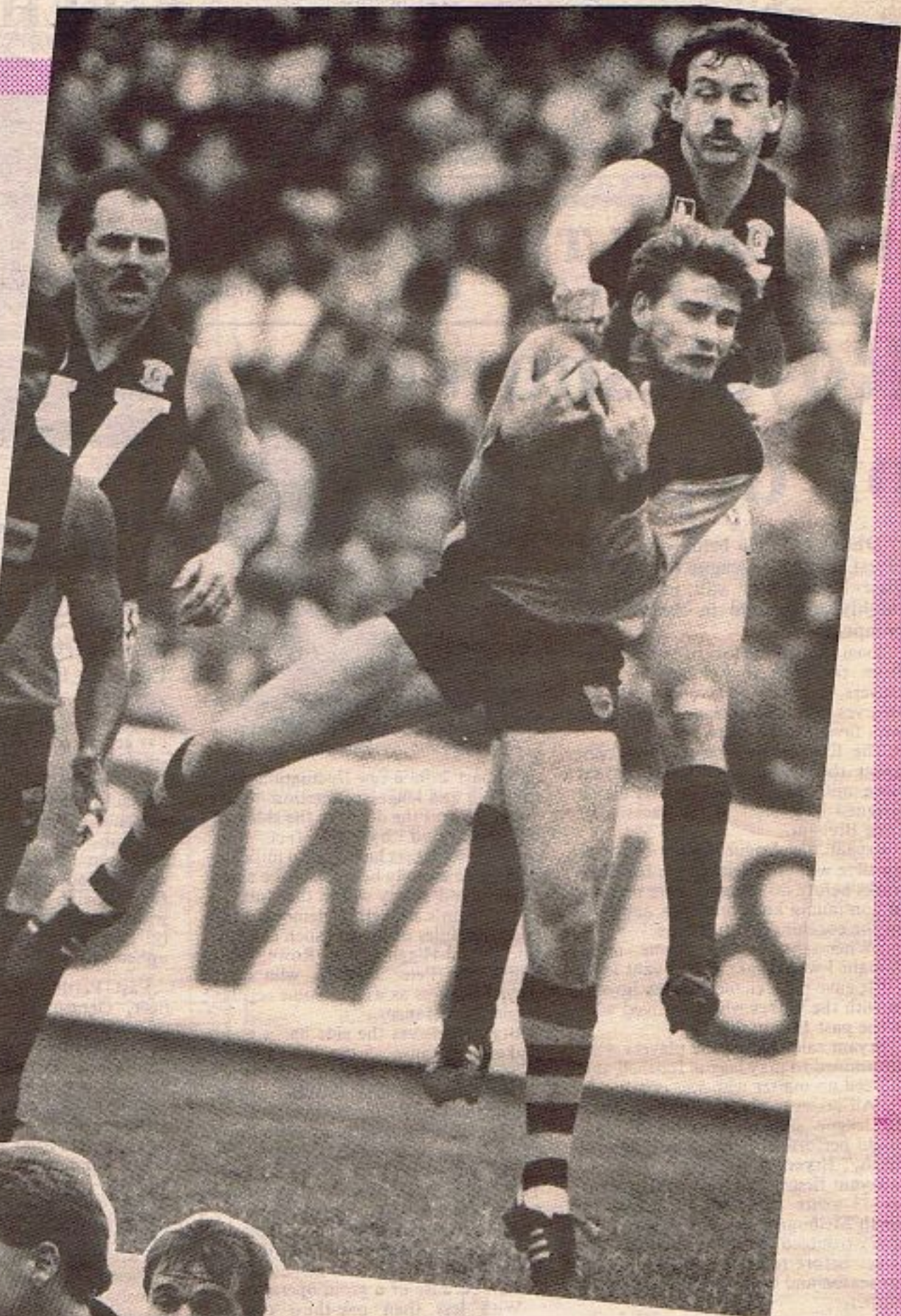


LEFT: The faces of WA captain Brian Peake and youngster Peter Sartori tell the story of how tense the pressure-packed State match was.

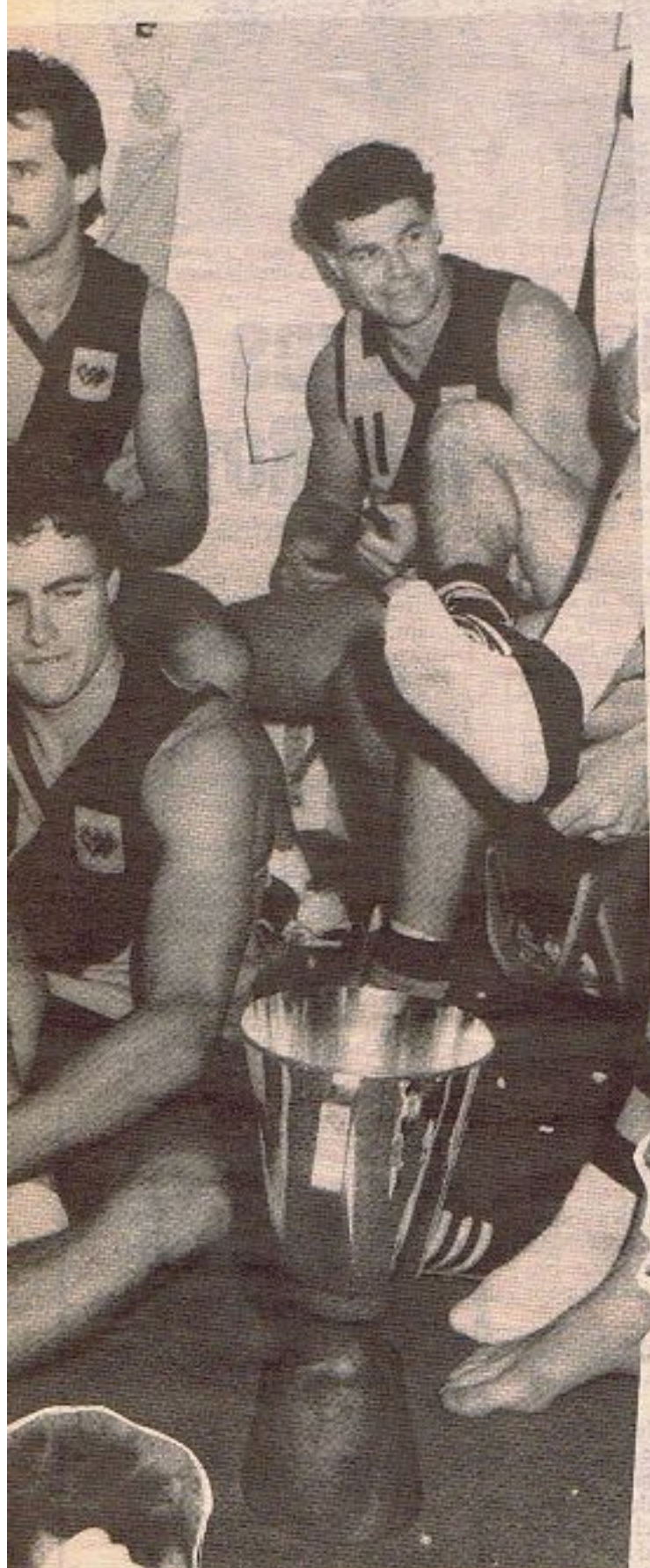


AGER SPOTLIGHT

Foot- The home side was depleted with injuries to
 hird several key players, but showed the great depth
 of football talent in this State.



ABOVE: WA utility player Peter Wilson is determined not to let this mark get away as he hugs it to his chest despite the spoiling tactics of Victorian defender Gary Foulds.



These four WA players — Wayne Blackwell, Paul Harding, Brian Peake and Andrew MacNish (admiring the national title cup) are a mixture of tired and contented minutes after WA's triumphant victory over Victoria.



THE faces of Victorian players Gary Pert and Dale Weightman tell the story as they watch the WA players in their moment of glory at the presentation ceremony.



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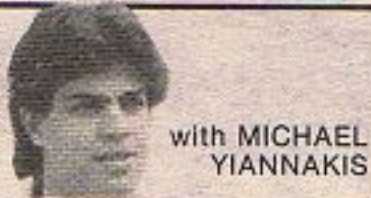
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Royals show plenty of depth

DESPITE 1986 being one of the worst seasons of league football for East Perth, they still maintain a mighty stronghold in the reserves competition.

Even though the loss of two coaches from the club may have disrupted players, officials and supporters, the reserves side has continued coming up with favourable results.

The East Perth reserves have been under the guidance of Kevin Bryant since mid-May when Ian McCulloch resigned in protest at the sacking of Greg Brehaut.

Bryant, the league team's coach at the time was unofficial coach for three weeks before deciding to retire because of continuing knee problems and take up the coaching job full time.

"When the position came up I thought I would take it," Bryant said. "It gave me a chance to stay involved with the blokes who I've lived with in the past 18 months."

Bryant said that all the players were determined to play league football and succeed no matter who was coach.

"All reserves players hope to make the league side and no doubt they would perform for Ian, myself or any coach," Bryant said.

Bryant first donned a Royals guernsey 13 years ago and he moved to North Melbourne in 1979. He had six injury-troubled years there for 57 games before returning to Perth Oval last season and being appointed Royals skipper.

The composure of the reserves side this season has been reasonably consis-



Kevin Bryant . . . change of roles.

tent apart from a few fluctuations due to injury and league promotion.

Bryant says the depth in the side can be illustrated by the fact that sometimes players have had to miss out on a game entirely because of the competition and ability within the club.

The team's strength is demonstrated by the abilities of players such as Gary Bock, Paul Higgins, Paul Rowe, Alby Smith and Peter Ivanoff, who have played reserves as well as some regular league appearances.

Bryant believes the side has a good make-up because of the cross-section of players within the team.

"For the first time in quite awhile the side is well balanced," he said.

"The team has also been strengthened by players who missed games earlier on in the season because of injuries. These players are now starting to find their legs by playing reserves."

Andrew Maughan is one such player who is a regular reserves contributor, but missed the first four games of the season because of a groin operation.

With less than one-third of the season to go, the Royals are looking like definite final round contenders.



BEHIND THE SCENES



Anxious moments in the East Perth dug-out as league team manager Barry Deveney (right) watches proceedings with players Dean Winning (left) and Tom Williams and runner Graham Pates.

"Marbles" jazzes up the Royals

THE marketing flair of Alex (Marbles) Wilson has been one of the very bright spots at East Perth in their last two gloomy years.

Wilson's entrepreneurial enthusiasm has generated a huge increase in sponsorship and is reflected in strong support for the various functions held at the club. They are now boosted by the presence of various functions held at the club.

Wilson has had to survive several crisis periods in the club's management since moving to Perth Oval; problems with administration and finance initially and then this year's coaching upheaval.

East Perth's full-time football officer, Gerard McNeill — a former school teacher — moved from post into the league coaching role with the departure of Greg Brehaut, but he still operates out of his Perth Oval office.

The development side of McNeill's former post has been taken over by league player Brett Stephens, the club's fairest and best player last year.

Stephens is concentrating on junior development, both in the city zone and East Perth's country areas down south. He works in conjunction with McNeill on league football matters, but obviously has little to do with senior coaching.

The team managers at East Perth are men who have been in Royals colours for some years.

Barry Deveney is the league-team manager. A taxi driver who previously worked as a shire council surveyor, he has control over the off-field activities of players and arranges such things as their parking at grounds and admission tickets. He also acts as the interchange manager on match days.

Ken Godwin, who has been associated with the colts and reserves for some years, has taken over as reserves team manager with the recent resignation of Gary Gillespie. Bill Blakely, the father of league player

Mark Blakely, is the colts team manager.

Head trainer at East Perth is highly-qualified first aid officer Bob Falkingham, who switched from Swan Districts several years back.

His support staff includes trainers Cedric Turner, Tom Krutsky, Bill Amourous, Alan Munachen, George Daley, Darin Scheepins, Eric Bryan, Noel Johnston, Greg French, Michael French, Kevin Richardson and Brett Richardson.

Propertyman Pat Watson, who has been at the club for three decades, is assisted by Michael French and Alan Dick and has a tight control over the many equipment demands made by players and coaches.

The medical staff includes doctors Ian McAlpine and Mike Holden and dentists Graham Wheeler and Sam Rogers.

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Upper Great Southern turn the tables

THE Upper Great Southern Football League won the 58th title at the Elder Pastoral Great Southern football carnival against arch-rivals, the Central Great Southern Football League, in showery Manjimup last weekend.

Central Great Southern, who won the previous two premierships over this year's conquerors, were beaten 11.5 to 7.7 in the league grand final.

The Colts premiership went to hosts Lower South-West, when they narrowly beat the Southern Districts Football League 11.6 to 10.8 — a margin of four points — in an enthralling encounter.

Ross Ditchburn, captain-coach of the Central Great Southern league, collected his first Caris Medal for the fairest and best player in the carnival.

Upper Great Southern's win stretches their impressive record.

Since the carnival became an inter-league competition in 1962 (it was originally contested by various country towns) they have won 13 premierships — including a record five in succession from 1962 to 1866.

They toppled Southern Districts and the Murray Districts Football League, taking part for the first time, on their way to a grand final appearance.

Following are the results of the qualifying matches.

SATURDAY JULY 5 RECREATION OVAL

Upper Great Southern 10.12 d Southern Districts 6.15

Upper Great Southern 20.10 d Murray Districts 9.6

Southern Districts 17.14 d Murray Districts 14.6

SATURDAY JULY 5 REA PARK OVAL

Central Great Southern 20.14 d South-East 15.3

Central Great Southern 19.10 d Lower South-West 10.11

South-East 13.6 d Lower South-West 6.4

COLTS

Qualifying games in the Colts competition were played on two different days at two different venues, below are the results.

SATURDAY JUNE 14 JERRAMUNGUP

Southern Districts 15.13 d Ongerup 10.3

Southern Districts 17.13 d South-East 9.3

South-East 8.6 d Ongerup 6.9

SATURDAY JUNE 21 NARROGIN

Lower South-West 19.19 d Murray Districts 7.5

Lower South-West 13.10 d Central Great Southern 8.16

Central Great Southern 15.13 d Upper Great Southern 9.12

Upper Great Southern 22.23 d Murray Districts 8.8

In the third versus fourth league match preceding the two grand finals at Rea Park oval last Sunday, South-East 15.9 defeated Southern Districts 4.7.

GRAND FINAL

UPPER Great Southern captain Michael Kain won the award for the fairest and best player in the league grand final.

The Colts trophy was won by outstanding teenager Andrew 'Jock' Embry of the Lower South-West.

CARNIVAL SNIPPETS

• Elders Pastoral sponsored this year's carnival with \$2500. Premiers Upper Great Southern received \$650, runner up Central Great Southern obtained \$550, third-placed South-East \$400, fourth Southern Districts \$350, fifth Lower South-West \$300 and Murray Districts received \$250.

• The Ravensthorpe and Ongerup leagues did not compete this year because of financial difficulties however, both should return next season.

• Leagues from the carnival who will compete in this year's Wesfarmers country championships in Perth from July 31 — August 3 are: Upper Great Southern, Central Great Southern, Southern Districts, Murray Districts and Lower South-West. The task for Central Great Southern seems an ominous one. They are in Division One while their Great Southern Carnival victors, Upper Great Southern, are in Division Two.

Great Southern All-Stars

SUCCESSFUL Upper Great Southern league coach Ron Dewson is at the helm of this year's Great Southern 20 All-Star side.

The team is: Michael Kain, (captain) Gavin Bolt, Ray Speck, Bruce Gillam, David Webb, Warren Cowcher (Upper Great Southern), Ross Ditchburn (VC), Darryl Hart, Tom Pearoe, Dean Johns, Justin Taylor (Central Great Southern), David Gaunt, Keith Ewen, Brian Kerr, Michael Kryger, Matt Ritikis (South-East), Larry Dwyer, Michael Waugh, John Wright (Southern Districts), and Steve Holdsworth (Lower South-West).

BEST PLAYERS

EACH league awarded a trophy to their fairest and best player. The winners were Michael Kain (Upper Great Southern), 21-year-old Darryl Hart — who has competed in the past three grand finals (Central Great Southern), Michael Kryger (South-East), Michael Waugh (Southern Districts), Gavin Coles (Lower South-West) and Ashley Smith (Murray Districts).

UMPIRES' PANEL

THIS year's carnival umpires were selected from each of the six competing leagues.

Host league Lower South-West used three umpires — Terry Sinclair, Cam Schuster and Phil Hampson — for a game each. Upper Great Southern's Paul Maddern and Terry Cain, of Murray Districts, controlled the league grand final.

The umpires from the other three leagues were David Freeman (South-East), Ian McDonald (Central Great Southern) and Darryl Carpenter (Southern Districts).



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FIERY FATE

BACK-UP COACH

THE Eastern Districts Football League, impressive winners over the Goldfields National Football League in Kalgoorlie, have named their back-up coach to Gary Robertson for this year's Wesfarmers country carnival.

Robertson is at the helm of the A-division team and John Beaton has been appointed coach of C-division.

ONLY days ago this 56-year-old grandstand at Jubilee Park, Northam, stood tall while its future was the subject of debate. But a fire last Friday sealed its fate.

The building was due to be demolished despite fierce opposition from the Northam Historical Society and the Avon Valley Tourist Association.

DRAW IN SOUTH-WEST

A GOAL in the final minute by Augusta-Margaret River's centre-half-forward, Ian Wright, snatched an exciting 14.14 draw against Collie in last week's SWNFL.

Wright played a major role throughout the game and finished with five goals, supported by Kevin Regan and Gary Miller.

Collie, who seem to be finding form after a slump, are hanging on to fifth spot on the ladder. Their best were Darren O'Brien, Peter Slater and Anthony White.

The teams challenging Collie for a berth in the finals — Busselton and Mines Rovers — met at Busselton, with the Miners too strong.

MINERS WIN

The Miners won 18.6 to 15.12. Their best were rover Brett Whiteaker (five goals), John O'Dea, who successfully tagged veteran Ross Tyson and full-back Steve Kinsella.

Michael Griffiths, Michael Kemp and Darryl Smith were best Magpies.

Harvey-Brunswick came alive in the final term against South Bunbury, winning away, 22.7 to 14.13 after leading by 15 points at the last break.

The battle between opposition ruckman, David Morris (Lions) and South Bunbury's Peter Old, was worth seeing. Morris took eight marks within the goal-square to repel many attacks, but broke even with Old in around-the-ground duels.

Former Swan Districts rover Austin Ietto played a courageous game for Harvey-Brunswick, supported by Ray Masters and Sean Mooney. East Fremantle strong-man Mark Bayliss, in his second South-West match, kicked six goals from centre-half-forward for the winners.

Harvey-Brunswick defender Chris Headley broke the club record when he played for the 275th time for the Lions, passing John Angell's tally.

Headley was a member of Harvey-Brunswick's 1974 premiership side.

South Bunbury's loss dropped them from top to third, at the expense of Bunbury who struggled to beat Boyanup-Capel-Dardanup.

The Cardinals led by four points at half-time, but went down 15.13 to 8.12.

Veteran Alf Shiosaki was best-on-ground and his Bulldog teammates to do well were Flynn Narkle and John Taylor. BCD's best were Cameron Taylor, Greg Norton and captain-coach Alan Rowe, who is at the helm for only his third game after previous coach Brealey Hollingsworth resigned.

Carey Park showed again that they are capable of a big score when they downed Donnybrook 22.13 to 14.15. It was the eighth occasion from 11 games in which the Panthers scored over 20 goals.

Full-forward Kurnut Thorne is a main contributor for these high totals, his latest effort reaped 12 goals.

Best players were Troy Ugle, Mark Skehan, Leigh Wright (Carey Park) Grady Howlett, and Ian Trigwell (Donnybrook).

TEED-OFF

AN outstanding young Great Northern Football League player says he will quit football and take up golf after a dispute with the club he has played with for 10 years.

Dennis O'Reilly, a Teal Cup player last year, has been refused a clearance by Chapman Valley to North Midlands Football League club Dongara after an argument with his coach Barry Cooper.

According to O'Reilly, Cooper told him his future was in the Chapman Valley reserves.

Eighteen-year-old O'Reilly, a talented wingman who was vice captain of GNFL's under 21 side this season, says he won't play under Cooper.

He began football with Chapman Valley juniors in 1976.

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FORSUCUE: Saints 32.24 b Hill 1.9; Tigers 28.18 b Demons 9.9; Towns 16.16 b Centrals 12.6.
AVON: York 18.16 b Quairading 14.10; Railways 17.8 b Tammin 14.15; Cunderdin 22.11 b Brookton 13.12; Federals 18.13 b Kellerberrin 12.13.
GREAT NORTHERN: Mullewa 17.11 b Chapman Valley 14.9; Towns 23.22 b Rovers 9.15; Brigades 13.12 b Northampton 8.7.
CENTRAL WHEATBELT: Beacon 16.15 b Koorda 13.10; Bencubbin 12.13 b Nungarin 11.16; Towns 17.17 b Kalannie 4.11.
MORTLOCK: Wyalkatchem 15.19 b Goomalling 10.14; Wongan Hills 20.20 b Ballidu 11.12; Dowerin 15.21 b Toodyay 10.12; Calingiri 11.15 b Gingin 11.11.
SOUTH-WEST: Harvey-Brunswick 22.7 b South Bunbury 14.13; Carey Park 22.13 b Busselton 15.12; Bunbury 15.14 b Boyanup-Capel-Dardanup 8.12; Collie 14.14 drew with Augusta-Margaret River 14.14.
EASTERN: Kondinin 44.27 b Southern Cross 5.2; Kulin 12.15 b Narembeen 7.8; Burracoppin 13.15 b Merredin 8.14; Nukarni 28.13 b Bruce Rock 7.6; Hyden-Karlgarin 24.18 b Corrigin 11.17.
GOLDFIELDS: Boulder 26.12 b Railways 14.8; Kalgoorlie 20.15 b Mines 12.8.
NORTH MIDLANDS: Dongara 16.20 b Three Springs 5.10; Mingenew 13.6 b Coorow-Latham 5.11; Carnamah 19.17 b Perenjori 7.9.

First up State umps

Congratulations are extended to the five men-in-white selected to officiate in this week's State match. David Johnson (field) Craig Curtis and Charlie Moylan (boundary) and Leicester Cox and Dick Stubberfield (goals) were rewarded for excellent performances with this appointment. With the exception of Johnson, the other umpires all officiated in their first State match.

Whistle Stop



boundary umpire Stewart Tempest (May 24) have achieved their 50th league games. Both umpires are very conscientious and work hard at their respective skills.

COUNTRY BOOST

IN last weekend's Great Southern Carnival in Manjimup, excellent performances were given by country field umpires.

Those officiating were Terry Sinclair and Cam Scheuster (Manjimup), Dave Freeman (Esperance), Darryl Carpenter (Albany), Terry Cain (Pinjarra), Ian McDonald (Katanning) and Paul Madden (Narrogin).

All umpires performed enthusiastically and their efforts allowed for free flowing and well contested matches. All were well received by the officials, players and spectators and this augurs well for the future of country football.

Congratulations to Terry Cain and Paul Madden on being selected to umpire the Grand Final.

MILESTONES

Field umpire Reg Salis (June 21) and

JUNIOR footballers who achieve milestones in their careers can be part of a special Westside Football encouragement scheme.

The Town and Country WA Building Society provides Milestone Medallions for players reaching their 200th game (a gold medal) and their 150th game (a silver medal).

Juniors who notch 100 games receive a Milestone Certificate. The following young footballers have all qualified for those awards:

150 games
JEFFREY GADENNE, a centre-half-forward from Greenwood, with the Warwick JFC who started playing in 1977 at the age of six.

OFF-SEASON

THE off-season time is a busy one for field umpires judging from the recent spate of babies born. Congratulations are extended to Phil and Robyn O'Reilly, Michael and Liz Ball and Fred and Audrey Devine on their latest addition to the families.

PERFORMERS

WEST Perth Junior Council umpires Greg Scroop and Greg Tippett are umpiring very well and, more importantly, are both enjoying their umpiring.

Scroop, a member of the WAFL Cadet Squad, recently officiated in a State schoolboys trial match and displayed a lot of ability. Tippett is training hard and using his experience to allow all players to participate keenly.

DARREN JAMES, of Albany, a ruck-rover with the Albany junior sides who started playing in 1979 when he was nine.

ROBBY VALENTINO, of Cloverdale, a rover with the East Victoria Park club. He started in 1980 at the age of six.

100 GAMES
JASON HAYDEN, of Busselton, a ruck-rover with the Busselton Towns club who started at the age of seven in 1980.

PAUL KNOWLES, of Beldon, a full-forward with the Ocean Ridge club who started in 1980 at the age of six.

SHANNON KNOWLES, of Beldon, a rover with Ocean Ridge. He started in 1980 at the age of eight.

JUNIOR MILESTONES

Form for Junior Milestones with fields for name, address, club, and signature.

SANDOVER MEDAL GUIDE

THIS weekly Sandover Medal Guide is designed to help the keen football follower keep track of Sandover Medal fancies. Each week we list the major media voting on a 3-2-1 basis. Though the medal is now decided on a 5-4-3-2-1 voting system, many media organisations have opted to stay with the old best-three-on-the-ground voting. Cut this weekly form guide out and clip it in a file as an easy-to-read indicator as the season marches on. There is space provided under the umpires heading to record their official votes on Sandover Medal night.

Table for Sandover Medal Guide with columns for dates and umpire names for various matches.

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SUNDAY SCENE

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

Finch back with a vengeance

WANNEROO full-forward Steve Finch completed a dream return to SFL ranks last Sunday when he booted 12 goals against Canning at Wyong Reserve.

Finch, who made three league appearances for Claremont two years back, returned to the Roos a fortnight ago after a short stint in the Victorian Football Association with a second division club Boxhill.

Finch kicked 12.2 in his 18-kick, 14-mark performance just a week after his 9.5 against Kenwick.

Former West Perth reserves captain John Hathaway continued his top form at centre-half-forward for the Roos and rovers Tom Floyd and Mark Bonomeli were handy around goals.

Wanneroo take on Maddington at Kingsway Reserve on Sunday and should end the Bulls finals hopes.

Maddington coach Wayne Riekie will have a few headaches deciding who is capable of matching Finch's skills up forward for Wanneroo.

Armadale, who virtually bowed out of the finals race last Sunday when they were well beaten by South Perth, face another tough assignment at Burrendah Reserve against Willetton.

Willetton warmed up for the all-important clash with the Demons with a 100-point win over Kwinana last week.

Big ruckman Robert Poepjes has been in top form for the Blues and the return to form of pacy centreliner Peter McGillivray last week was good news for Willetton's hopes of staying in the finals hunt.

South Perth's 27-point victory over Armadale last week, when Dave Nelson further shortened his favouritism to win the 1986 Bowden Medal, will ensure they remain in the finals contest.

Nelson, with his best-on-ground performance led South Perth's cause and Kevin Kosovich, Floyd Robinson, Gordon Polson and Gary Diver continued the great form that clinched South Perth's surprise win over Osborne Park two weeks ago.

Osborne Park suffered their second successive loss when they went down by 34 points to reigning premiers Kalamunda.

The Saints, unbeaten before their recent stumble, face a crucial encounter with Thornlie, at Thornlie Oval on Sunday.

Coach Barry Beecroft, the Saints' only four quarter contributor against Kalamunda, needs former East Perth forward John McTaggart to return from injury.

McTaggart has been out of action

Sunday's fixtures (with Kim Hagdorn's tips in caps):

KALAMUNDA v Canning, at Ray Owen Reserve; **WANNEROO** v Maddington at Kingsway Reserve; **WILLETTON** v Armadale, at Burrendah Reserve; Fremantle v **KWINAN**, at Gilfraser Reserve; Thornlie v **OSBORNE PARK**, at Thornlie Oval; **MANDURAH** v Kenwick, at Rushton Park, Gosnells v **KELMSCOTT**, at Gosnells Oval, **APPLECROSS** v Rockingham, at Strickland Reserve.

for the past five weeks with a hamstring injury. He is expected to return this week, adding bite to a forward line sadly down on form last week.

Cougars defenders Glen O'Rourke, Harry Mumford, Alan Scott and Brett Williams held complete control over the Saints forwards.

The Saints must re-group this week, if they intend holding onto one of the top two spots for the finals, against a very much in-form and confident Thornlie.

The Saints cannot afford another loss. After Thornlie they face derby rivals Wanneroo (at home) when their destiny for '86 could be sealed.

Kelmscott, now certain to qualify for the finals, meet arch rivals Gosnells at league headquarters in what should be a closer encounter than their respective positions on the premiership table would normally indicate.

The Hawks, in the midst of a depressing run of poor form, are sure to be keen on a big effort against their ground neighbours.

However, with the smell of finals football and the return of former South Fremantle star Paul Vasoli to the clun, the Bulldogs should be too strong.

Kalamunda are expected to take the opportunity of meeting Canning, not expected to offer much resistance to the Cougars, to rest some key players in their build-up to their title defence.

The Cougars have hit form at the right time and face a relatively "easy" run into the finals. They should in fact now finish at the head of the table.

SAD LOSS

SUNDAY Football League director Frank Arthur passed away last Saturday morning after a short illness. His hard working approach to the promotion of Sunday football will be missed and condolences go to his family and friends. Mr Arthur was a director of the league for four years. He was secretary of the Rockingham club before taking his appointment on the board and was with them when they won the 1982 premiership.



Paul Vasoli ... at Kelmscott.



Supporting Junior Football with the CIG

COLTS CORNER

By GREG SIMPSON

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Junior personality of the week



RON JOSE

FORMER boxer Ron Jose had no interest in football for the first 25 years of his life.

Today he is acknowledged as one of the game's best contributors.

The transformation occurred one night while he was running laps of Bellevue Oval to keep fit for boxing.

"A group of kids started to run with me and said they wanted to play football and needed a coach," recalls Ron, now 64 years of age.

He was soon coaching Bellevue in the Temperance Junior League. Two seasons later, in 1949, he helped start the Swan Districts Junior Football Council, with Bellevue as one of the six original clubs.

From 1950 to 1953 he coached three premiership teams and was runner up once.

In 1955 and 1956, Ron's football career took a turn when he accepted the job as Swan Districts reserves coach and he guided the side to two successive finals.

From 1957 to 1960, he coached Midland Amateurs and in 1961 inaugurated the Midland Football Club in the WAFU competition.

Now retired, he worked as a fitter and in 1962 and 1963 was transferred to Glenroy Station, near Derby. On returning to the Midvale, where he has lived for 42 years, he helped out at the Midvale Junior Football Club and for the past 22 years he has held some official capacity, usually coach and/or president — his current position.

He received club life membership in 1975 and in 1984 he also received life membership at Swan Districts for his input to junior football.

Ron has been a long-serving delegate to the SDJFC and has coached many of their junior sides.

He has had many highlights from football, but says that he and his wife Joy would treasure the day one of their 16 grandchildren take the field for Swan Districts.

Victorian-born Ron, who won a services' boxing championship as a youth in New South Wales, has been a real 'knock-out' in a different sporting field — that of football.

PRESENTED BY:



SHARKS PUSH FOR FOURTHS

EAST Fremantle director Len Anderson has been a strong advocate for a fourths competition for some time and believes there are several other clubs ready to change their previous opposition to the concept.

Anderson doesn't necessarily see the fourths as an under-17 side. Instead, he believes two under 19 sides would be a better approach.

With so much young talent missing out every year, Anderson's suggestion makes a lot of sense.

Two colts sides would stimulate a resurgence of youth entering league clubs and that's what footy is all about.

Anderson believes the two colts sides should play on Sundays. This would lift Sunday club attendance and allow members to watch their aspiring league players at a civilized time.

This column has argued the cause for fourths several times this year. Money — or the lack of it — seems to be the real obstacle.

Hopefully, long-term thinkers like Len Anderson can overcome the barriers and make it happen.

CAPTAIN LEADS BY EXAMPLE

WEST PERTH colts captain Shane Bransby has settled into the captain's role well this year.

Bransby, who plays centre and half back, has led his side creditably through his personal on-field endeavours.

Shane is in his last year with the colts and the way he has accepted responsibility will surely stand him in good stead for his football future.

FALCONS HEIGHT

WEST Perth colts coach Jim Di Carlo has played 44 boys to date this year and only three of them were regulars last year.

Di Carlo is philosophical about his new young team, but is concerned about the lack of height in his side.

The Falcons will be out looking for some tall players over summer because the 6'2" ruckman they now have is in his last year of colts.

NEW SIDE

THE current Claremont colts team is not a carryover side from 1985 as many people think.

When the Tigers accounted for second-placed East Fremantle by 12 goals two weeks ago, only five of the 22 players were part of Claremont's grand final team last year.

REPUTATION

THE Warwick Junior Football Club has a reputation for producing outstanding young footballers and Subiaco rover Paul Cox is certainly no exception. A Teal Cup representative this year, Cox displays amazing courage for a player of his small stature, coupled with excellent skills and the ability to kick with both feet. Subiaco officials will be hoping he can develop even further and add to the senior side's already strong contingent of small men.

GOAL SENSE

FORMER Institute of Sport squad member Ben Allan has been an impressive performer for the Claremont under-19 side this season. A talented rover, Allan has tremendous skills and a fierce desire to gain possession, along with excellent goal sense. Allan will be a key player in Claremont's bid to reverse last season's grand final loss.



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Hamilton lead all the way

HAMILTON Hill Senior High School left the Scarborough SHS in their wake in Tuesday's CIG Shield grand final at Subiaco oval.

The South Fremantle boys won 11.18 to 6.6.

They had many strong performers, but none better than ruckman Preston Holland, who kicked five goals while resting in the forward line and won the CIG Medal for being best-on-ground.

Wingman Troy McKenna was another top player and a driving force for the winners.

Scarborough, who represented Claremont, had centreman Chris Korunovski, centre-half-forward Alec Yarren, and ruck-rover Grant Garlett as best players.

State schoolboys' members Phillip Clancy, who ruck-roved, and centre-half-forward John McIntyre teamed with Holland in the first 10 minutes of the game to establish a lead which was never seriously threatened.

Though Hamilton's break was only two goals at quarter-time, they held control and should have capitalised on more scoring opportunities.

The first term provided the best quarter of the match, with both sides displaying some excellent marking and ball disposal.

The second quarter was a complete reversal to the first when Scarborough had 80% of the play but were unable to reap dividends on the scoreboard.

Hamilton Hill penetrated their forward line only three times in the quarter, and kicked three behinds.

At half-time, Scarborough trailed by nine points, but seemed to lack the big-man skills of their opposition.

The third term started as the first — with Hamilton Hill firing on all cylinders. Within three minutes they advanced to a four-goal lead, bought about by a position change by coach Brian Gray.

He moved full-back Carlo Raffaele into the ruck and he immediately produced results — kicking a goal and being instrumental in another.

During the third term Yarren and Garlett struck a purple patch for Scarborough — but they lacked assistance to finish off their good work.

Again, Hamilton Hill's conversion rate was a let-down when they booted seven consecutive behinds in the third quarter. They managed four goals for the term.

Their lead at the last change was enough for them to play out the game without taking any risks and, conse-

quently, the match petered to a tame finish.

So after two months and 79 teams made up of year 10 and below, high school students, a new CIG shield champion has emerged.

Hamilton Hill's victory — the first for South Fremantle — was a worthy one.

To win the premiership they beat John Curtin, North Lake, South Fremantle, Kwinana, Mt Lawley, Gosnells and Scarborough senior high schools.

Scarborough's effort in reaching the grand final was also meritorious.

They met eight other schools before this week's loss.

Bruce Fulton, the captain of Hamilton Hill, collected the trophy and a \$500 winner's cheque on behalf of his school from the State manager of Commonwealth Industrial gas, Dennis Myler, in front of 30,000 people who had gathered to see the WA-Victoria game.

Scarborough received a runners-up cheque of \$250 from the CIG company.

DETAILS:	HAMILTON HILL	4.3	4.6	3.14	11.18	84
SCARBOROUGH	2.1	3.3	4.3	6.6	42	

GOALS — HAMILTON HILL: Preston, Holland 5, John McIntyre 3, Phillip Clancy 1, Bruce Fulton 1, Carlo Raffaele 1. Scarborough: Simon Richardson 2, Alec Yarren 2, Darryl Archeri, Justin Ward 1.

BEST — Hamilton Hill: Preston Holland, Troy McKenna, Jason Fowler, Mark Henderson, Phillip Clancy, John McIntyre.

SCARBOROUGH: Chris Korunovski, Alec Yarren, Grant Garlett, Paul Dean, Simon Richardson, Greg Garlett.

ZONE CHAMPIONS

1983 — Belmont (Swan Districts), Balcatta (West Perth), Warwick (Subiaco), Gosnells (East Fremantle), Lockridge (East Perth), Hamilton Hill (South Fremantle), Aquinas (Perth), John 23rd (Claremont).

1984 — Christ Church (Claremont), St Mark's (East Perth), Hamilton Hill (South Fremantle), Gosnells (East Fremantle), Craigie (Subiaco), Servite (West Perth), Collic (Swan Districts), Northam (Perth).

1985 — Aquinas (Perth), Carine (Claremont), Gosnells (East Fremantle), Balga (West Perth), Craigie (Subiaco), Mount Lawley (East Perth), John Curtin (South Fremantle), Bunbury (Swan Districts).

1986 — Scarborough (Claremont), Hamilton Hill (South Fremantle), Gosnells (East Fremantle), Mount Lawley (East Perth), Balga (West Perth), Kelmscott (Perth), Greenwood (Subiaco), Bunbury (Swan Districts).

CIG MEDALLISTS

1983 — Tony Walley (Belmont)
1984 — Chris Lewis (Christ Church)
1985 — Scott Robins (Carine)
1986 — Preston Holland (Hamilton Hill)

WINNING COACHES, CAPTAINS

1983 Nick Neates, Daniel Penny
1984 Don Morrissy, Peter Dowling
1985 Craig Paskett, Graham Ralph
1986 — Brian Gray, Bruce Fulton

SCHOOLS

1983 — 48 metro
1984 — (62) 51 metro, 11 country
1985 — (75) 60 metro, 15 country
1986 — (79) 64 metro, 15 country

PREMIERS

1983 — Belmont (Swan Districts) 16.11 d Balcatta (West Perth) 5.6
1984 — Christ Church (Claremont) 10.10 d St Mark's (East Perth) 5.12
1985 — Aquinas (Perth) 12.6 d Carine (Claremont) 8.8
1986 — Hamilton Hill (South Fremantle) 11.18 d Scarborough 6.6

Elastoplast HANDBALL COMPETITION



Elastoplast handball winners (from left) Kane Darcey, Tom Beatty and Adam Gray.

Handball series nears the finals

THE Elastoplast handball competition continues to make its way around the suburban shopping centres as junior footballers aim for the finals next month.

A big crowd of juniors took part in the Mirrabooka centre's heat recently with one outstanding performance being recorded — a score of three bullseyes out of four shots to Kane Darcy in a shoot-off for the runner's up role in the 12s age group.

The winners were: 10's Adam Gray, Girrawheen; runner-up Mark Anderson, Girrawheen. 12s Tim Beatty, Beechboro, runner-up Kane Darcey, Koondoola.

The earlier heat at the Midland Gate shopping centre saw the Upper Swan Football Club well represented with the Horton brothers, Kim and Ron, taking out the 12s and 14s double.

The results were: 10s Glen Davies, Upper Swan; runner-up Brett Raynor, High Wycombe. 12s Kin Horton, Upper Swan; runner-up Daniel Sansoni, Millendon. 14s Kim Horton, Upper Swan; runner-up Brett Butler, Midland.

Forthcoming heats will be held as follows:

Thursday, July 10: Bullcreek shopping centre.

Thursday, July 17: Carousel, Cannington.

Heat winners receive Elastoplast sports first aid kits for the club or school, plus a football, with the runners-up also receiving a football.

BACK TO THE '50s

THE Maddington Junior Football Club — affiliated in the South Suburban Junior Football Association is holding a back to the '50s dance on August 8 at the Maddington Police and Citizens' Youth Club. Tickets are \$5 and inquiries to Alan Guest on 459 4421.

WIN A FOOTY!

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

This week's question: WHO AM I?

I won a club fairest and best in 1983. I'm a former Scotch College student. I wear a single-figure number. I missed the 1984 season through an ankle injury.

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

This week's quiz winner was Jason Boords, of Koongamia, who said that Peter Murnane was the answer to last week's question.



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The award goes to the player who finishes the year with the most kicks and handballs as judged by Westside Football's team of statisticians at each game.

The current leader is Claremont's Steve Malaxos, who is now being chased by team-mate Steve Goulding.



East Perth's Michael Christian takes a strong mark in front of Swan Districts defender Brent Hutton

The top players around the nation

W Trophies and Gifts

WA's star performer



EACH week the top performer in the WAFL will receive a magnificent pewter tankard (pictured right) courtesy of WA Trophies and Gifts, of Victoria Park.

West Perth skipper LES FONG is this week's star performer with 17 kicks, seven marks and 15 handpasses.



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

Statistical Roundup

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

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



PLAYER	CLUB	KICKS	MARKS	H/BALLS	TOTAL
Steve Malaxos	Claremont	242	88	188	882
Steven Goulding	Claremont	302	110	105	842
Peter Sartori	Swan Districts	159	150	104	817
Mark Bairstow	Sth Fremantle	275	89	130	802
Phil Bradmore	West Perth	184	120	124	792
Peter Featherby	Subiaco	292	105	84	775
Brian Peske	East Fremantle	241	123	82	774
Peter Wilson	East Fremantle	218	89	122	729
Les Fong	West Perth	203	61	163	712
Brian Taylor	Subiaco	215	49	172	706
Dwayne Lamb	Subiaco	215	63	149	702
Greg Carpenter	Subiaco	192	76	135	696
Robert Wiley	Perth	288	60	113	694
Neil Taylor	Subiaco	227	83	101	693
Andrew MacNish	Subiaco	190	78	130	684
Paul Milka	West Perth	252	82	91	680
Don Langford	Swan Districts	275	69	86	674
Wally Matera	Sth Fremantle	219	58	139	671



PLAYER	CLUB	KICKS	MARKS	H/BALLS	TOTAL
Greg Williams	Swans	206	54	252	872
Gary Buckenara	Hawthorn	257	121	107	834
Craig Bradley	Carlton	227	89	135	774
Wayne Blackwell	Carlton	236	85	137	768
Tony Shaw	Collingwood	235	53	154	702
Peter McConville	St Kilda	202	96	102	694
Peter German	Nth. Melbourne	249	72	114	693
Richard Lovridge	Hawthorn	268	52	128	680
Steven Wallis	Footscray	232	87	91	675
John Anner	Richmond	240	57	124	659
Terry Wallace	Hawthorn	226	46	146	656
Darren Millane	Collingwood	218	71	112	655
Trevor Poole	Richmond	187	93	82	650
Glen Hawker	Essendon	230	70	102	644
Scott McIvor	Fitzroy	145	86	148	639
Terry Danlher	Essendon	172	101	80	635
Robert Ephinstone	St Kilda	189	75	108	630
Paul Roos	Fitzroy	212	79	88	625
Leon Harris	Fitzroy	182	42	158	624
Doug Hawkins	Footscray	182	82	86	610



PLAYER	CLUB	KICKS	MARKS	H/BALLS	TOTAL
Chris McDermott	Glenelg	234	73	231	915
Tony Hall	Glenelg	152	110	129	740
Greg Anderson	Port Adelaide	247	76	119	713
Des Herbert	West Adelaide	248	82	109	712
Paul Bellon	West Adelaide	180	54	176	694
Peter Krieg	Central Districts	249	64	125	691
Michael Taylor	Norwood	245	67	119	684
Keith Thomas	Norwood	213	62	139	677
Darel Hart	Nth Adelaide	223	57	139	672
Rene Van Dommelle	Cent. Districts	177	75	135	672
David Flintoff	Central Districts	226	67	119	665
Neil Craig	Sturt	155	89	150	662
Matthew Campbell	Nth Adelaide	237	56	122	665
Michael Aish	Norwood	196	81	105	651
John Paynter	Sturt	283	38	124	645
Mark Naley	Sth Adelaide	217	51	137	644
Randall Jolly	Woodville	190	73	115	639
Philip Gallagher	Norwood	218	61	119	639
Darryl Smith	Sturt	204	70	108	630
Peter Maynard	Glenelg	234	76	81	624

KICKS

PLAYER	CLUB	TOTAL
Steven Goulding	Claremont	302
Peter Featherby	Subiaco	292
Robert Wiley	Perth	288
Cory Bewick	West Perth	276
Darrell Panizza	Claremont	275
Mark Bairstow	South Fremantle	275
Don Langford	Swan Districts	275
Peter Davidson	Claremont	252
Paul Milka	West Perth	252
Cam Shepherd	Claremont	243
Steve Malaxos	Claremont	242
Barry Kimberley	Swan Districts	242
Chris Mainwaring	East Fremantle	241
Brian Peske	East Fremantle	241
Neil Taylor	Subiaco	227
Steve Richardson	Swan Districts	223
Chris Allen	East Perth	220
Wally Matera	South Fremantle	219
Peter Wilson	East Fremantle	218
David Rankin	East Fremantle	216

Mark Bairstow	Sth Fremantle	130
John Gaster	West Perth	129
Greg Wilkinson	Subiaco	127
Phil Bradmore	West Perth	124
Mark Watson	Perth	123
Peter Wilson	East Fremantle	122
Murray Wrensted	East Fremantle	120
John Lucas	Perth	116
Shane Ellis	East Fremantle	114
Robert Wiley	Perth	113
Tony Bulghiar	East Fremantle	112

MARKS

PLAYER	CLUB	TOTAL
Peter Sartori	Swan Districts	159
Brian Peske	East Fremantle	123
Phil Bradmore	West Perth	120
Steven Goulding	Claremont	110
Peter Featherby	Subiaco	105
Craig Starcevich	East Perth	94
Darrell Panizza	Claremont	90
Mark Bairstow	South Fremantle	89
Peter Wilson	East Fremantle	89
Warren Dean	Subiaco	89
Steve Malaxos	Claremont	88
Laurie Keene	Subiaco	88
Neil Taylor	Subiaco	88
Dan Foley	West Perth	87
Colin Waterson	East Fremantle	85
Chris Mainwaring	East Fremantle	84
Paul Milka	West Perth	82
Peter Davidson	Claremont	82
Michael Mitchell	Claremont	81
Richard Dennis	East Perth	81

HIT OUTS

PLAYER	CLUB	TOTAL
Laurie Keene	Subiaco	385
Jan Newman	Perth	296
Paul Harding	East Fremantle	296
David Court	Claremont	240
Craig Starcevich	East Perth	232
Alex Ishchenko	East Perth	227
John Garrantich	Perth	215
Peter Sartori	Swan Districts	202
Michael Johns	Swan Districts	188
Craig Edwards	South Fremantle	182
David O'Connell	Claremont	162
Kim Rogers	West Perth	147
Dan Foley	West Perth	105
Gordon Galt	South Fremantle	96
Shane Cocker	East Perth	96
Phil Scott	Subiaco	94
Peter Dennett	South Fremantle	91
Mark Stephens	West Perth	60
Frank Wilson	Swan Districts	53
Dean Irving	South Fremantle	49

DISPOSALS

PLAYER	CLUB	TOTAL
Steve Malaxos	Claremont	430
Steven Goulding	Claremont	407
Mark Bairstow	South Fremantle	405
Robert Wiley	Perth	401
Brian Taylor	Subiaco	387
Peter Featherby	Subiaco	376
Don Langford	Swan Districts	371
Les Fong	West Perth	366
Dwayne Lamb	Subiaco	364
Wally Matera	South Fremantle	368
Paul Milka	West Perth	343
Peter Wilson	East Fremantle	340
Cory Bewick	West Perth	336
Joe Santostefano	Perth	333
Darrell Panizza	Claremont	332
Glen O'Loughlin	Subiaco	330
Greg Carpenter	Subiaco	330
Neil Taylor	Subiaco	328
Brian Peske	East Fremantle	323
Andrew MacNish	Subiaco	320

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Nothing beats hard work

EAST Perth's win over Swan Districts last Saturday was an example of how, if you work hard enough, long enough and believe in yourself, the rewards you deserve will come.

They have been training twice a day for the past fortnight in their search to win their first game in nine weeks.

I congratulated coach Gerard McNeill after the game on his first win as a league coach.

McNeill has been under great pressure from the football world and his smiling face showed the pleasure he obtained from the win.

That pleasure wasn't only for himself, but for the players who he has a great belief in.

Saturday was only the second time I have seen the Royals and I find it hard to believe they have had so little success.

They have more than enough talented players to push all teams in the competition and, above all, they have the ability to be competing for fifth place on the premiership ladder against a team like the Falcons.

They should use this win as the cornerstone for more in the remaining six games. The enthusiasm injected into the team will be a great boost, but they must also improve their use of the ball when going into offence.

Players seem to be paranoid on passing the ball short when moving forward.

With Michael Christian, Richard Dennis and Craig Starcevic they have marking power second-to-none and therefore must use the ball longer and with more direction.

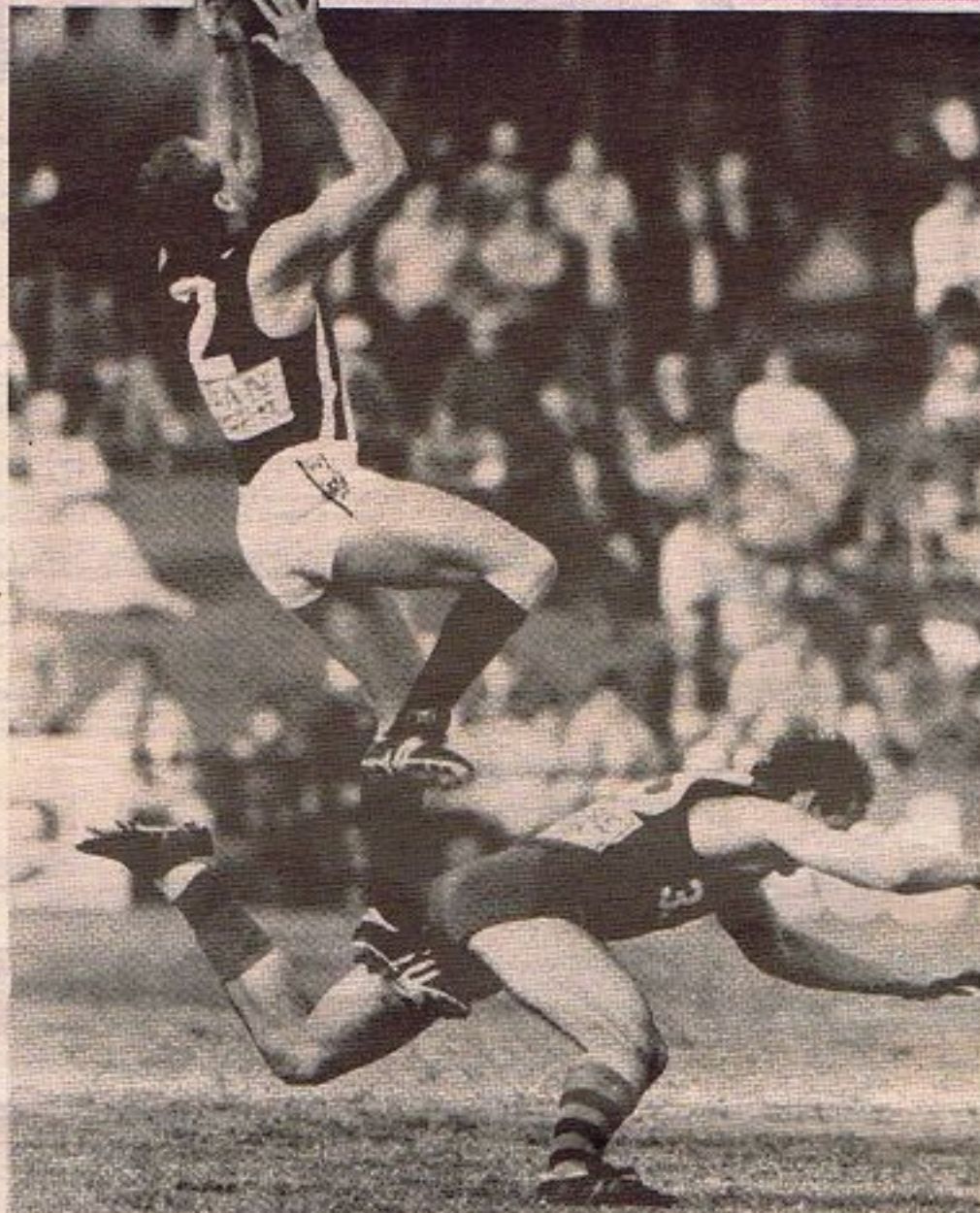
With better use of the ball, the Royals should have won by 10 or more goals as they outclassed a disappointing Swans.

The East Perth players must now realise that success only comes through hard work and they have to continue to apply this for the remainder of the year.

It wouldn't surprise me if they win more than they lose.

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Kevin Taylor takes a typically spectacular mark over his East Perth opponent George Ginnakis. Apart from a few spectacular things, Taylor was relatively quiet last Saturday as he struggles to reproduce the form that has made him a trendsetter in WA football over the last seven seasons.

Stand up and be counted

THE performance of Swan Districts last Saturday was extremely disappointing to say the least.

I've always admired Swan Districts, particularly their rise to power over the past 10 years.

Without taking anything away from East Perth's performance, Swans with 10 State players and one All-Australian, had enough experience to be a very competitive side.

It is an indictment on their players when you consider that they have only beaten South Fremantle and the Royals this year.

The problem at Swans is the lack of genuine concern by their senior players.

Too many players chase, kick, shepherd and so forth with an approach that could be best labelled as pretending.

Gone is the fanatical approach to get the ball, gone is the desperate dive, the ruthless body lunge that made this team one of the best ever.

The experienced players are hiding behind the excuses of losing players to the VFL and rebuilding.

I also believe that several of these senior players are cheating on their club.

Stories of a player missing training because he is at the Casino, if true, may be one of the reasons why the desperate club commitment is not there.

I find it hard to understand why coach John Todd has persevered with former Shark, Kevin Taylor.

For a player of his skill level and experience, his performance since round one, when I tipped him for the Sandover Medal after several great games, has been very ordinary — in fact disgraceful.

Last Saturday he showed a complete lack of concern in everything he did. Apart from one or two highlights in a game, he doesn't put in. He shows little concern for his mates and I don't believe they respect him.

Todd, whom I have always admired for his ruthless treatment of non-committed men, amazes me that he has stuck by Taylor.

Surely a young Greg Walker, who has great character and love for his club, would be better than Taylor.

To see Peter Sartori and Don Langsford battling their hearts out while others watch, must greatly disappoint former players like Stan Nowotny, Ron Boucher and Tom Mullooly, who helped make the club great.

Swans will never rebuild successfully till every player can honestly answer the question, "How much does my club and what it stands for, mean to me?"

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