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by Harvey Deegan

John Todd ... pointing the way for the Eagles.

Todd: Only the tough survive

"WE haven't blown it yet," says West Coast Eagles coach John Todd.

And he means what he says, despite last week's humiliating loss to Fitzroy.

It will be like a shoot-out in the Last Chance Saloon when the Eagles take on fourth-placed Melbourne at Subiaco Oval on Sunday.

If they lose, the Eagles face being rail-roaded to Boot Hill for a quick burial as far as the '88 season is concerned.

Todd was rightly ashamed of the Eagles' pathetic performance against Fitzroy, but believes the composition of his team will enable them to inflict Melbourne's second loss in three weeks.

The return of Andrew Lockyer will be a great boost to the defence and Todd was particularly pleased with the efforts of Dean Turner, Wally Matera and John Gastev in WAFL games last Saturday.

"The players are starting to learn that only the tough survive," said Todd.

"Pride will dictate that they have to fight for their lives to earn a place in the team.

"I can tolerate losing. But I can't and won't tolerate the attitude some players have to losing."

MAKE OR BREAK

Monteath: It takes time

SUCCESS can't be created overnight, according to Bruce Monteath, coach of West Perth, on the eve of their make-or-break battle with Perth for a top-four spot.

The Falcons' on-field line-up has undergone radical changes with a big turnover of players in the season and a half that Monteath has been at the helm.

"Generally, it takes a coach a full season to get to know his players and who should stay for the club's long-term benefit," Monteath said.

"It also takes that long to work out exactly where players perform best."

Monteath cites Phil Bradmore as an example.

"Everybody, including me, regarded Phil as a forward," he said. "But recently we tried him in the backline and he's been a great performer."

All the lessons that Monteath has learnt since joining West Perth will be put to the test when they take on the Demons at Leederville Oval.

Just a few weeks ago the Falcons were facing mothballs. A win this Saturday makes them premiership contenders.

Bruce Monteath ... showing the Falcons the way up.

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Top VFL coach is a priority

THE BUZZ

By football's Mr Flamboyant
PETER BOSUSTOW

A CRACK VFL-experienced coach has become a top priority for the West Coast Eagles' reserves team if it goes ahead in 1989.

There is still a grave doubt that the West Coasters will get the final go-ahead to field a reserves team, with the Melbourne clubs unwilling to foot the bill for their travel and accommodation expenses.

But if the Eagles get the final nod of approval, then the coach will be of paramount importance.

Fitzroy's David Parkin is tipped to sever his ties with the Lions and would make an ideal back-up to John Todd.

And make no bones about Todd, unless he decides to step down as league coach, he will be at the Eagles' helm again next year.

The Eagles' board of control cannot afford to affect two sackings in the space of two seasons.

So Todd's assistant for 1988 becomes a hot topic for the decision-makers at 11 Kings Park Road.

RELUCTANT

Parkin would be reluctant to accept any offer from the Eagles. He is well established in Melbourne and would be looking more for a complete break from football than taking on the arduous task of teaching the Eagles how to play VFL football.

And teach the Eagles the new coach will have to do.

The Eagles simply cannot come to terms with Melbourne conditions.

That performance last Friday night was disgraceful and again the most glaring deficiency in the Eagles football was evident.

The Eagles are just not up to scratch in the close-checking packs that are such a feature of VFL games.

The short, two and three metre handballs to a running teammate and surviving the heavy buffeting that goes on in the packs to create play, is a vital ingredient in VFL players.

The Eagles fail in every contest for possession at close quarters at the drop of the ball and will continue to do so until there is somebody in the camp with a capacity to pass onto the players how to survive in the VFL atmosphere, in Melbourne.

Even bottom sides like St Kilda, Richmond and Fitzroy are beating the Eagles in Melbourne, because their players know how to hold their footing in the wet conditions and use the ball in the tight packs.

The match-winning strategies that are so much a part of the Eagles football at Subiaco Oval are not the answer in Melbourne.

In Perth the Eagles can open up play, run forward of the packs and use 15 and 20 metre handballs to establish their system. This is not on in Melbourne.

They must learn to utilise the footy in the tight situations.

The Eagles have two of the best exponents of football, at any level, in the history of the game on their staff in Graham (Polly) Farmer and Barry Cable.

Either they are not being used properly or their coaching abilities are in question.

With Parkin an unlikely starter to accept any overture from the Eagles to join them in 1989, the hierarchy must look elsewhere.

And my information has it that Roy (Slug) Jordon, a highly successful junior coach in Melbourne and who coached Victoria's winning Teal Cup team this year, is a candidate.

What they said. . .

"That was our worst performance of the year." **Eagles coach John Todd after the loss to Fitzroy.**

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"Our tackling was first-class and we didn't give them a second to spit." **Fitzroy coach David Parkin.**

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"I'm not one to bury my head in the sand and slash my wrists." **John Todd.**

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"The atmosphere is so electric at this level." **West Perth rookie Malcolm Williams.**

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"With my luck they'll probably take it off the season after I leave." **West Perth's Phil Bradmore talking about his dream of a premiership with the Falcons.**

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"The Eagles haven't learnt the real art of man-to-man football." **Melbourne commentator and triple Brownlow Medallist Bob Skilton.**

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"It knocked the stuffing out of me. I knew it was the end of the day for me." **South Fremantle's Maurice Rioli on his ribs injury.**

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"There's no way I wanted to finish my career in the seconds and I'm too old to move anywhere else, so I decided to retire." **Former East Perth and WA star Stephen Curtis, retiring in South Australia after 16 seasons and 352 games.**

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"It was always difficult combining medicine and football and each year I said it would be the last." **Claremont's Michael Aitken on his decision to retire.**

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"It makes it easier to get into the correct frame of mind when you play against the Eagles." **Former WA player John Ironmonger, the key big-man in the Fitzroy team.**

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"The job required greater commitment than I could afford to give, if I wanted to continue coaching." **Swan Districts coach Ed Blackaby on the team's improvement since he quit his full-time job.**

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"I think the few beers I had that afternoon helped me relax and I probably wasn't as nervous as I would have been otherwise." **Young Claremont rookie Dale Kickett reflecting on his bizarre debut a few weeks back.**

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"Indian Pacific had no legal power to close the contract before the three years, unless there was default on my part." **Former Eagle Glen Bartlett launching a damages claim in the Industrial Relations Commission.**

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"Payments are still being made and received and the relationship between employer and employee has not been terminated." **Eagles lawyer Wayne Martin, in the case for damages laid by former player Glen Bartlett.**

FOOTY PUNCHLINES

The Byers family of Pinjarra are dedicated West Coast Eagles fans and travel to the city for all the Perth team's home games. And their most recent trip was one with a difference as 12-year-old Cameron Byers was the lucky Hungry Jack's Eagle-for-a-day. He and his parents saw the team beat Geelong and young Cameron had the chance to meet and mix with his footy heroes. He's pictured in the changerooms with Guy McKenna (left) and Steve Malaxos.

NEESHAM'S PLEA

CLAREMONT and State coach Gerard Neesham has made a plea to football officials to think twice about eliminating the reserves competition. He said that such a move would be disastrous for the game, as it would get rid of about 240 players and probably not many of them would bother about going on with their football careers.

MILLER CLAN

THE name Miller is pretty well-known in WA football (and racing) circles and it's interesting to see another Gavin Miller playing for East Fremantle. Back in the early 1980s, Mt Pleasant brothers Glen and Gavin lined up for the blue-and-whites, playing 18 and one games respectively. They were cousins to current Westside Football columnist and former Sandover Medallist and coach Ian Miller. But the Gavin Miller now with the Sharks is no relation, joining the club from Palmyra.

MISSING SHARKS

EAST Fremantle are trying to track down two past players with the club — Bill Wilson and Don Creedon — who played with Old Easts back in 1953. If anybody knows the whereabouts of the two men, please contact East Fremantle general manager Bob Uittenbroek on 339 5533.

SUNDAY CLAIM

WITH all the talk about the future of the WAFL and club structure and so forth, there's plenty of speculation about whether more clubs should be added to the local competition. The Sunday scene would obviously be a contender to provide a new club or two and SFL chairman of directors, Terry Kift, suggested that Mandurah was an ideal contender. Kift said that Mandurah's membership tallied around 750 people, which was probably as good as some WAFL clubs. Mandurah, as a town, is ideally set up with sponsorship and facilities to support a league-standard club, so the move shouldn't be too far away.

POSITIVE VIEW

RADIO 6PR critic Trevor Sprigg had the inside advantage of attending a recent behind-closed-doors function where VFL Commissioner Alan Schwab was guest speaker. Sprigg, a marketing man with major football sponsors Bond Brewing, said that Schwab had painted a very positive picture for the future of the game Australia-wide. Sprigg said Schwab also indicated that the national competition would soon take on a new name — Australian Football or even National Football. And he said that South Australia would soon join the fold.

LES'S LYRICS

Former Claremont and State player LES MUMME has a different look at football.

Old names come back

On a cold and wintry Saturday,
many radios are tuned in.
We like to hear who's playing well
and listen to our teams win.

But at a recent Demons game
a strange event occurred.
The names all seemed familiar
and I thought that I'd misheard.

"Cable takes it in the centre
with a pass coming from young Stiles.
Grljusich goals from forty
and Perth's in front by miles."

But — with "Boomer" calling the game
I know I must be wrong.
This new generation of players —
Just shows how years roll on.

But it's good to hear again
the names of former greats.
And it's good to see their sons —
vying for the footy stakes.

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Big one for Johno

Alan Johnson ... milestone coming up.

DOUBLE DEMON MILESTONE

MELBOURNE suffered a bad loss last Saturday when outclassed by Hawthorn and it's just what coach John Northey needs to fire his players for Sunday's clash with the Eagles at Subiaco Oval .

By Harvey Deegan

Of all the Demons keen to administer the coup de grace, none is licking his lips more than wingman turned back pocket Alan Johnson.

Johnson celebrates his 100th VFL game on Sunday, following his 140-game career with the Perth Demons, and he's determined to put in a big one in front of what used to be a friendly crowd.

It's taken more than six years for Johnson to reach the milestone, and in that time he's been sidelined by almost every injury a footballer could expect to suffer.

"I've had operations on both achilles, both sides of the groin, and to one knee," said Johnson. "A broken finger and broken hand are among the other injuries."

LOGICAL MOVE

Johnson is enjoying his new role as a defender after more than a decade of speeding around the wings.

At 31 years of age, it's probably a logical move as his blistering speed must be starting to diminish slightly.

"I've had to learn to concentrate more in a pocket," said Johnson.

"You always have to mindful of the whereabouts of your opponent, but it's great playing alongside such professionals as Brett Lovett and Danny Hughes."

Hughes, of course, is having a 'holiday,' by courtesy of the VFL Tribunal, but this doesn't worry Johnson.

"We're a very flexible combination," he said. "We have a team brimful of players who can slot to a variety of positions."

Johnson believes Melbourne's consistency will prove to be the difference between the two sides on Sunday.

LESSON LEARNT

"Certainly we slumped badly last week," he said. "We relaxed and waited for things to happen, instead of doing something about it.

"The lesson's been learnt, and it won't be happening this week."

The quietly-spoken Telecom Manager has no immediate plans to retire, and is intent on seeing out his playing days at Melbourne.

If he can keep those injuries at bay, the coveted 150th VFL game could be chalked up by the end of the 1990 season.

Falcons rise from ashes

BY 5 o'clock this Saturday, West Perth could be just a few percentage points outside the WAFL premiership four.

The fact that West Perth are in a position to bid for finals honours is remarkable when it's considered that seven or eight weeks ago they were long shots with only two wins to their credit.

John Wynne was a hard act to follow for Bruce Monteath when he took over as coach.

Wynne used methods different from those adopted by Monteath and, for that matter, most other coaches.

Wynne placed great emphasis on a player's ability to motivate himself and that may have led to an attitude problem.

At the start, West Perth's reserves and colts were at or near the bottom of the ladder, so there was not much depth to draw on.

"We were working with a basic 24 or 25 players of League potential," said Monteath. "However, we had an intense and successful recruiting campaign over the summer, and the fruits of those labours are now being felt."

Monteath combines coaching with the specialised career of investment consultant.

As a director of the firm Joseph Charles Learmonth Duffy, he leads a busy life, but says it's just a matter of being able to make best use of the time available.

He dismisses any suggestion that his players may have difficulty relating to a coach whose job causes him to mix in high-flying, influential circles.

"I'm no different from any of the players," said Monteath. "I come from a working class background, and I used to live in a Commission house."

Monteath uses his success in business to encourage his players to strive to do likewise. He doesn't just advise them on football. He frequently talks to them about their careers and how they can improve their station in life.

Why travel turns Eagles flame out

THE West Coast Eagles haven't had much luck in the last two seasons when playing away from home — two wins in '87 at Carrara (Brisbane) and Princes Park (Melbourne) and one so far in '88 at Geelong.

ALEXANDER'S ANGLE

with Ron Alexander

Speculation continues to rage over the reason for the great difference in performances at home and away.

There are many possible reasons or excuses....call them what you will and then make up your own mind. Here are some of the possibilities:.

In the WAFL there are some acknowledged advantages. Swans prefer to play at Bassendean and South Fremantle at the Port.

Their records show a much higher percentage of wins on these grounds, so if you travel from Perth to play in Melbourne or vice versa, the advantage to the home side could be expected to be at least as great as the WAFL situation.

You then sleep away from home, change in unfamiliar rooms before the game and experience a hostile crowd. These may be only minor, but they certainly aren't pluses.

GROUND SURFACE

Sports physiologists will tell you that plane travel reduces the performance of an athlete and that travelling from west to east against the time zones has a greater effect than the east to west journey.

Then there's the old favourite — the ground surface is different. At most times the ground is firm and dry. On the odd occasion that it isn't, it can have some effect, and that's what happened last Friday night.

If the ground is muddy you have a little more trouble turning and generally aren't as well balanced when kicking. Again these are minor handicaps but they're still not positives.

The real reason, in my belief, is the expectation level of the side and the

It appears there is a general acceptance that the side will lose when it travels East, and the belief arises that it's not as bad to lose away as it is at home.

It's a little bit like a forward player. A lot of them believe that if they give the ball away to the opposition, it's not that bad because they'll get another chance.

But defenders are generally more desperate, because if they give it away, it's a goal to your opponents.

Most people associated with a football side talk to or influence the players in some way, whether it be the media, friends, trainers or hangers-on. A big percentage talk about how tough it's going to be in Melbourne.

This produces an expectation that it's going to be harder to win, so by the time the player takes the field he has been exposed to a long litany of reasons why it's going to be difficult.

It then almost becomes a self-fulfilling process where the player is placed in a negative frame of mind from the start. He is expecting it to be extremely difficult to win and plays half expecting to lose.

Obviously this doesn't apply to all players. Some play consistently well in Melbourne. Why? Because they control their own mind, can assess situations for themselves and don't get caught up in the negatives.

The more the players train and play on opposition grounds the better for them and so one would hope that after two seasons of VFL experience the Eagles are about to make some progress.

ALL IN THE GAME

IT WAS interesting to watch Rod Carter at the start of the Sydney Swans-Hawthorn game a few weeks back.

He went to shake hands with Jamie Morrissey, the replacement Hawthorn full-forward.

Morrisey had his back turned to Carter, so Rod gave him a poke. Morrisey took this as the usual aggression from a full-back and shoved him with two hands.

You could then see Carter laughingly explain what he was doing. Then they both laughed and shook hands.

Happy ending? No. About 15 minutes later they were involved in an all-in brawl.

KICKING IN DANGER

GOOD to see the umpires in the Subi-East Fremantle game pay some kicking-in-danger free-kicks.

Usually they allow the ball to be kicked out of a player's hands.

If this rule isn't designed to protect the player picking up the ball, then the people who advise umpires have got it all wrong.

SGIO PLAYER PROFILES

WEST COAST EAGLES

CHRIS MAINWARING

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: 27/12/65 Geraldton WA
HEIGHT: 179cm **WEIGHT:** 82kg
GUERNSEY NUMBER: 3
RECRUITED FROM: East Fremantle/ Geraldton
FIRST SENIOR GAME: WAFL 1985 East Fremantle, VFL 1987 Eagles
GAMES PLAYED: 47 East Fremantle, 19 Eagles, 3 WA
FAVOURITE POSITION: Wing
MARITAL STATUS: Single
BROTHERS/SISTERS: Two brothers, one sister
OCCUPATION: Insurance and investment adviser
SCHOOL/S ATTENDED: Geraldton Senior
CAR: Commodore Vacationer
FAVOURITE PASTIMES/HOBBIES: Surfing, tennis, golf
FAVOURITE FOOD: Seafood
FAVOURITE DRINK: Banana Smoothie
FAVOURITE SPORT (apart from football): Surfing
FAVOURITE SINGER/GROUP: Pretenders, Hoodoo Gurus, John Cougar Mellencamp
FAVOURITE AUTHOR: Robert Ludlum
FAVOURITE HOLIDAY SPOT: Bavarian Alps
FAVOURITE NIGHT SPOT AND/OR RESTAURANT: Amnesi night club, Milan
FAVOURITE TV SHOW: Moonlighting
FAVOURITE MOVIE: Animal House
BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: Mother
MOST ADMIRED SPORTSMEN: Tony Fandango, Ric Hollywood, Trent Duvall
BOYHOOD IDOL: Barry Cable
MATCH DAY ROUTINE: Sleep-in, listen to music, and eat pasta
BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Not making Eagles 1st game
BIGGEST THRILL: Playing first VFL game
FAVOURITE GROUND: WACA ground
FOOTBALL AMBITION: Play good footy until I no longer enjoy it

Geoff Passeri

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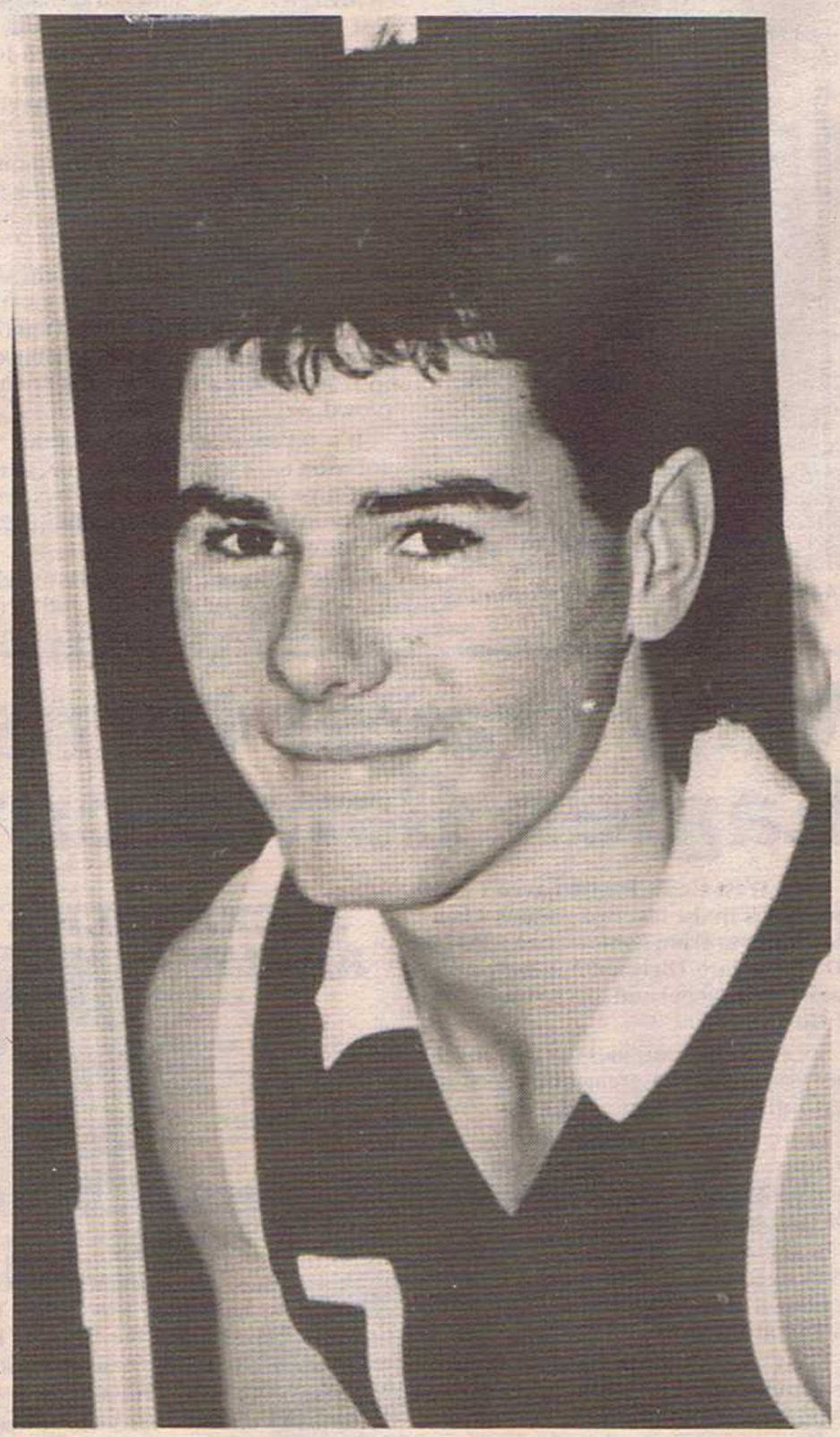

Full Name: **Geoff Passari.**
Date of Birth: **16/5/69.** *Place of Birth:* **Mt Lawley.**
Height: **175cm (5ft 9in).** *Weight:* **80kg (13st).**
Age Started Playing: **5.**
Junior Club: **Belmont.**
Marital Status: **Single.**
Girlfriend's Name: **Peta.**
Residence: **Belmont.**
Occupation: **Storeman.**
Place of Work: **Atkins Carlisle.**
Other Sporting Interests: **Cricket, basketball and tennis.**
Favourite Position: **Centre.** *First Position:* **Centre.**
League Debut: **1987.** *Versus:* **West Perth.**

FAVOURITES:

Actor: **Sylvester Stallone.** *Drink:* **Vodka and orange.**
TV Show: **The Young Ones.** *Food:* **Lasagne.**
Movie: **Rocky IV.** *Music:* **Talking Heads, Jimmy Barnes.**
Book: **Mad Max.**
Holiday Resort: **Bali.**
Ground: **Bassendean Oval.**
Car: **Camira.** *Favourite Car:* **Lamborghini.**
Career Highlights: **Teal Cup 1986, Syd Brown Medal.**
Worst Moment in Football: **Concussion in first game.**
Hard Things in Football: **Sunday morning training.**
Football Idols: **Ken Hunter.**
Toughest Opponent: **David Rankin.** *Most Respected Opponent:* **Greg Carpenter**
Most Respected Umpire: **Trevor Garrett.**
Most Memorable Game: **First semi-final in 1987.**
Football Ambitions: **To play in a premiership side with Swan Districts.**
What do you like about Football: **Team-mates and comraderie.**
How do you Mentally Prepare for a Game: **Watch cartoons in the morning and then watch the reserves play.**
Who Influenced Your Career: **My father and my junior coach, Ian Jones.**
Guernsey Number: **7.** *Any Reason:* **No.**
Superstitions: **Too many to mention.**
Worst Injury: **Concussion.**
Luckiest Break: **To play league football.**

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Cam Lewis (Claremont) 48
Joe Cormack (Eagles) 47*
Kevan Sparks (Subiaco) 46

**Denotes games played with all clubs as follows: Dean Wilson 25 South Fremantle, 24 Subiaco; Joe Cormack 42 Swan Districts, 5 Eagles.*

100 GAMES

Mick Lee (Subiaco) 98
Lance Kelly (East Perth) 97
David Court (Claremont) 97*

**Denotes games played with all clubs as follows: David Court 56 Claremont, 41 Subiaco.*

150 GAMES

John Annear (Eagles) 144*
Mick Rea (Perth) 144*

**Denotes games played with all clubs as follows: John Annear 36 Eagles, 65 Richmond, 43 Collingwood; Mick Rea 118 Perth, 22 West Perth, 4 Melbourne.*

200 GAMES

Dean Turner (Eagles) 192*

**Denotes games played with all clubs as follows: Dean Turner 28 Eagles, 51 Fitzroy, 113 East Perth.*

250 GAMES

Neil Taylor (Subiaco) 239

300 GAMES

Robert Wiley (Perth) 290*

**Denotes games played with other clubs as follows: Robert Wiley 177 Perth, 95 Richmond, 18 Eagles.*

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Fitzroy 134 points, Eagles 64 points — still no Melbourne VFL win for the Eagles in almost two seasons of trying.

SHORT MEMORIES

WHY do most of our football critics — and a few coaches — have such short memories? We keep reading and hearing about how hard it is for the West Coast Eagles to win in Melbourne, ignoring the fact that our early-season win over Geelong, down at Geelong, doesn't count. Take the attached clippings from last Saturday's The West Australian as confirmation of those short memories. Was the one-point win over reigning premiers Hawthorn at Princes Park in mid-1987 such an upset that it should be forgotten; erased from the memory? Let's hope not; it was a magnificent achievement and proved that the Eagles CAN win in Melbourne. Even former WA ruckman John Ironmonger, who led the Fitzroy onslaught last Friday night, has forgotten that one.

And big WA ruckman John Ironmonger summed up the Fitzroy attitude when he said: "We didn't want to be the first team to lose to the Eagles in Melbourne."

PORT FLOATER

READERS of the Dave Clement Footy Facts column in this newspaper will recall the item earlier in the season when he talked about East Perth's Kevin McGill kicking a goal at the WACA Ground that actually floated through on a puddle. Well, it's happened again, this time at Fremantle Oval last Saturday. Perth's Mark Watson posted a goal in the third quarter when a snapshot landed in a big puddle at the hospital and floated across the line. The poor old goal umpires had to stand in the pool of water all game — apart from getting drenched, anyway.

SHARING AROUND

CHANNEL Seven sports commentators Dennis Cometti and David Christison seemed happy to share their duties last weekend. Both went to Melbourne for a big couple of days of sport and on Friday night Cometti was calling the basketball shots as the Perth Wildcats went down to North Melbourne. Across the Melbourne railway line, Christison suffered the West Coast Eagles defeat at the hands of Fitzroy. On Sunday, they swapped roles as Cometti headed for the Gold Coast sun to call the Brisbane Bears clash with Essendon, while Christison copped another loss with the Wildcats crashing to the North Melbourne Giants.

AGE BARRIER

THERE'S obviously two schools of thought about age when it comes to league football. Hawthorn have just re-signed the 31-year-old Gary Buckenara for three more years — but some people in WAFL circles believe that anyone aged 23 or more is too old for the game!

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BASKET-BOOM

IF you were wondering how much of an impact basketball is having on major sports like football, then the last week will have given you the answer. Take our morning epistle, *The West Australian* on the Monday of last week. The Wildcats basketballers made front page and back page news! A picture on both pages, plus the main story on the back page. Football was relegated to a minor role, even though nearly 30,000 West Australians had paid good money to watch major Aussie Rules action at the weekend. The only time footy ever makes front and back page is grand final day or an interstate victory — rare these days.

... AND AGAIN

WHILE we're on that basketball-football topic, the programming decision of Channel Seven provided an interesting clue to the popularity of the rival codes. Last Friday night, when the West Coast Eagles and the Perth Wildcats were doing battle in crucial games in Melbourne, Seven rated basketball the higher priority. They showed the basketball at 7.30pm — before the match had even finished. But the football replay was delayed till 9.30 — after the basketball, even though the game had started much earlier. Why not show the two games in their order of timing — footy first, then basketball. One thought Seven were sponsors of VFL footy?

CLASSIC COMMENTS

THERE were a couple of classic commentator comments from last Friday's Eagles-Fitzroy fiasco. An ABC radio man suggested that Chris Mainwaring would have been a terror to look after at the Royal Show when he was a kid because of his ability to scamper around everywhere. And a Channel Seven man suggested that Fitzroy pair Wynd and Gale were stirring up the Melbourne weather for the Eagles!

This photograph is a bit late making its appearance, but some things take their time filtering through the drainpipes to this columnist. It shows radio 6PR panellist Rod Brown with his mouth open (naturally) and in full flight at the Friday lunch-time show; obviously revealing some spicy bits of info. And looking really entranced — and maybe trying to get an over-the-shoulder glimpse of the hot information — is Brisbane Bears coach Peter Knights. For more fascinating pictures from football's weekly funny show, flick over to the centre page spread.

PASSIVE GRUMBLE

IT was hard to believe, but there it was — football doyen Geoffrey Christian telling co-6NR commentator Tim Flynn to keep his cigarette out of the way otherwise a passive-smoking complaint could be laid. Christian, a veteran journalist, came up through the old, traditional hard-living school of sports writers and in bygone days, anything up to 100 cigarettes a day was part of the program. Fortunately, he saw the no-smoking light and now he's doing his best to convince Flynn that it would be a healthy move to quit also.

Are you okay, buddy? That's the concerned query from field umpire David Johnson as East Fremantle's David Rankin sinks into the Subiaco Oval mud. We're not sure who flattened who, or whether the former Victorian was just enjoying getting back to conditions he was once accustomed to every Saturday!

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BENNETT'S BURST

By ROBERT BENNETT
of The Sunday Times

Melbourne grounds sink the Eagles

IT appears to be the end of the line for the West Coast Eagles for the 1988 season.

While there is still a flicker of life left in their bid to make the final five, it seems likely to be snuffed out by the bogey that has plagued them since they joined the competition last year ... Melbourne ground conditions.

At the start of the season, I bet that the Eagles would not win a match in Victoria. I lost in the first game when the Eagles rolled Geelong, at Kardinia Park.

But since then they have not really looked like winning a game over there.

With matches remaining against St Kilda at Moorabbin and Footscray at the Western Oval, it would appear that the Eagles will end the season without any wins in Melbourne.

CONQUERED

If the Eagles are to be a force over there, then the problems of the grounds has to be addressed and conquered.

It is not in the mind of players that they can't win there.

Just as the Victorian teams have problems adjusting to grounds over here, so is the case with the Eagles in Melbourne.

So how do they overcome the problem to become a real force in the VFL?

Two things need to be done.

Firstly we need to get a coach (or personnel) on the coaching staff) who is an expert in Melbourne.

A John Kennedy, Allan Jeans or a Kevin Sheedy. People who have grown up in Melbourne and been successful as coaches.

Secondly, we have to forget about recruiting rookies from WA. We may pay the penalty for letting some talented young players go, but if the Eagles are to be a force in the immediate future, then they need to be propped up with players who have been blooded for a number of seasons in the VFL.

It is cbvious from the way crowds have fallen away at Eagles' games this season, that the novelty has worn off. If they don't achieve success, then it is possible that the Eagles, with the added burden of carrying a reserves team, could find themselves struggling financially.

There is already talk that John Todd could be replaced as coach at the end of the season, but that will not achieve anything.

CONTRADICTING

That may sound like a contradiction that a Victorian is needed to help the Eagles succeed in Melbourne, but if Todd is replaced, it will mean three coaches in as many years.

As was the case this season, that would have a dislocating effect on the team.

As was also the case with Ron Alexander last year, it has been a learning process for Todd this season.

Alexander had one big advantage over Todd as coach, he had played in Melbourne and knew the grounds intimately.

What the Eagles need is a long-term strategy that will take them into the finals. There are no short cuts as they have found. Initially, it may be advisable to try to get a top Victorian coach as an adviser and strategist for the Eagles.

The ball is really in the court of the Eagles hierarchy.

They have had two years to assess the shortcomings of the team.

It will be interesting to see if they have learned anything in that time when next season rolls around.

Michael Brennan ... hard-working Eagles defender.

Eagles chances grim up against Demons

WEST COAST EAGLES — DEMONS

by GARY STOCKS
of The West Australian

THE chances of the West Coast Eagles making the VFL top five plummeted in horrid fashion with their dismal performance against Fitzroy last Friday night; but they can be revived with similar dramaticism if they can beat Melbourne this week.

Obviously the Eagles would need to improve greatly to earn a place in the finals and their performances on the east coast require an injection of confidence which can only come with victories.

If there is one saving grace for the Eagles, it is the fact that Melbourne suffered a crushing defeat at the hands of Hawthorn last week.

The Demons would not be excited at the propsect of playing the Eagles at Subiaco Oval — that is a totally different proposition to playing them at the MCG.

Obviously, the Eagles will need major improvements if they are to win this contest.

Their effort against Fitzroy — particularly with so much at stake — was their worst of their short history and they have produced a few forgettable matches in that time.

To blame the surface in Melbourne for defeat would be acceptable if they were at least competitive. No matter what surface the game is played on, the players still need to chase, tackle hard and shepherd.

But those "hard things" of football have been conspicuous by their absence to the Eagles for much of this season. And that's why they now find themselves in this predicament.

They can get away with the free-flowing style of football they enjoy at Subiaco Oval, but it is arguable if they will be good enough to beat Melbourne on Sunday.

If they are to do that, they will rely heavily on Chris Mainwaring, John Worsfold, Murray Wrensted and Dwayne Lamb.

GLENDINNING

There is no question they missed Ross Glendinning and Andrew Lockyer last week and they will need those players back in action to have any hope of beating the Demons.

Melbourne boast a vast array of talent headed by their big men Steve O'Dwyer and Jim Stynes and the Eagles ruckmen, Laurie Keene and Phil Scott, face a tough test in combating their opponents' skills.

Add Brett Bailey, Tony Campbell, Rod Grinter, Ricky Jackson, Alan Johnson, Gary Lyon, Steven Stretch, Todd Viney and Brian Wilson to the list and Melbourne are a formidable combination.

The desperation of the Eagles players came under question last Friday and you can bet anything that Melbourne will be just that — desperate.

They are still considered among the favourites for the premiership and they will be looking to confirm that status on Sunday by dishing out a hiding to the Eagles.

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SGIO WAFL preview

Falcons still walk a tightrope

EVERY game is like a grand final for West Perth.

So says coach Bruce Monteath after the Falcons maintained their impressive record against Claremont when they dumped the league leaders at Leederville Oval last Saturday.

Their performance against the Tigers has made this week's game against Perth one of the most significant of the season.

It has been said that the home ground advantage counts for little in modern-day football. Try telling that to the Falcons and their supporters!

Playing at Leederville Oval greatly enhances their prospects and Robert Wiley and his men would not be relishing the thought of going to the Falcons home territory this week to do battle.

CONFIDENCE

The Falcons are riding high on the crest of a wave they hope will not break before they reach the shore and it's amazing what an injection of confidence can do for the players.

Captain Peter Menaglio again looms as a danger player. He has been in explosive form in the past month and has done most to re-vitalise his teammates.

Craig Nelson has taken control in the ruck and Perth will need Dempsey Narkle and John Gavranich at their best to out-gun Nelson. It will then be up to Mark Watson, Joe Santostefano and Robert Wiley to capitalise on their opportunities.

Emu Export present ... WESTSIDE'S EXPERT SELECTIONS

Tally does not include Eagles games	Tally	S. Dist. v Subiaco	E. Perth v Claremont	W. Perth v Perth	E. Frem v S. Frem	Eagles v Melbourne
RON ALEXANDER	44	Subiaco	East Perth	West Perth	East Fremantle	Eagles
ROBERT BENNETT	51	Subiaco	Claremont	West Perth	East Fremantle	Eagles
PETER BOSUSTOW	42	Subiaco	Claremont	Perth	East Fremantle	Melbourne
DENNIS COMETTI	46	Subiaco	Claremont	West Perth	East Fremantle	Eagles
DAVE CLEMENT	45	Subiaco	Claremont	West Perth	East Fremantle	Eagles
HARVEY DEEGAN	47	Swan Districts	Claremont	West Perth	East Fremantle	Eagles
GRANT DORRINGTON	46	Subiaco	Claremont	Perth	East Fremantle	Eagles
ALAN EAST	42	Subiaco	Claremont	West Perth	East Fremantle	Melbourne
BILL MATHER-BROWN	47	Subiaco	Claremont	West Perth	East Fremantle	Eagles
IAN MILLER	43	Subiaco	Claremont	West Perth	East Fremantle	Eagles
GARY STOCKS	44	Subiaco	Claremont	West Perth	East Fremantle	Eagles
MOST FAVOURED	49	Subiaco	Claremont	West Perth	East Fremantle	Eagles

how about you?

Royals face tough task

CLAREMONT on the rebound — that's the daunting prospect facing East Perth when the top side plays the bottom team at the WACA Ground this week.

The Tigers did not handle the atrocious conditions that prevailed last weekend and the Royals revelled in the heavy going.

It is unlikely we will experience similar conditions this week, but the Tigers could be spurred on by their performance against West Perth.

East Perth have made a habit of pushing the Tigers and the last time the teams met they opened up a handy half-time break, only to see that frittered away in the last two quarters.

Bulldogs need a repeat dose

SOUTH Fremantle gave themselves a real chance of staying in the finals race when they won the second round derby against East Fremantle on Foundation Day.

This Saturday they can continue their charge if they can topple East Fremantle at East Fremantle Oval.

But the Sharks will be no easy mark.

After successive losses to West Perth and Subiaco, the Sharks will be anxious to return to the winners' list and strengthen their claims for second position.

South were jubilant after their victory over Perth, but they weren't getting carried away with their success. They know they must win their remaining games to have any chance of being in the finals.

Again the Bulldogs will rely on the hard work of Scott Watters and the Collard brothers midfield and the brilliance of Peter Sumich and Mark Bayliss up forward if they are to win this match.

East Fremantle will look to Shane Ellis, Clinton Browning, Brian Peake and Tim Gepp — their experienced corps — to lead them out of the doldrums.

Peter Sumich ... a key Bulldog.

Subiaco aware of danger

SWAN Districts might have lost to bottom team East Perth last week, but there is no chance that Subiaco will take Swans lightly this week.

It is a dangerous practice to travel to Bassendean Oval in anything but the right frame of mind and Subiaco coach Haydn Bunton is well aware of that situation.

Having won second position from East Fremantle last week, Bunton will not want to surrender a second semi-final berth by dropping this game.

Subiaco have been lifted in recent weeks by the return to form of John Georgiades, who was at his damaging best last week, Brad McDougall and Neil Taylor and those players again hold the key on Saturday.

Swans had been impressive in their previous five games before losing to East Perth last Saturday and coach Ed Blackaby would rather forget about that display.

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Teac Footballer-of-the-Year

Progress votes:

VOTING has now gone into camera for the 1988 award and this is how the line-up looked at last week:

THIS WEEK'S BROADCAST GAMES

WAFL from 2pm Saturday.
West Perth versus Perth.

VFL Sunday from noon.
Eagles versus Melbourne.

TOTAL FOOTBALL

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(Figures in brackets are winning (W) or losing (L) margins).

EAST PERTH L(101), L(29), L(79), L(16), L(20), L(44), W(37), L(13), L(36), L(41), W(9), L(8), L(66), L(19), (L)1, L(45), W(28).
S. FREM. W(101), L(30), L(13), L(57), W(73), L(26), L(92), W(37), W(39), W(22), L(9), L(51), L(67), W(26), W(1), W(41), W(19).
E. FREM. W(19), W(10), W(13), L(49), W(20), W(43), L(18), W(42), W(22), L(22), W(32), W(11), W (66), L(27), W(42), L(33), L(16).
PERTH L(19), W(8), W(53), W(57), L(43), W(44), W(101), L(37), L(33), W(21), L(32), W(8), W(11), W(24), (L)42, L(61), L(19).
W. PERTH W(84), L(10), L(53), W(30), L(73), L(45), L(37), L(67), L(22), L(21), W(38), W(41), W (67), W(19), L(64), W(33), W(19).
SWAN DIST. L(84), W(30), L(109), W(16), L(38), L(43), L(101), W(13), L(39), L(47), L(38), L(11), draw, L(24), W(64), L(41), L(28).
CLAREMONT W(67), L(8), W(79), L(30), W(38), W(26), W(18), W(67), W(33), W(41), W(30), W(51), draw, W(27), (L)2, W(61), L(19).
SUBIACO L(67), W(29), W(109), W(49), W(43), W(45), W(92), L(42), W(36), W(47), L(30), L(41), L(11), L(26), W(2), W(45), W(16).

WHEN THEY LAST CLASHED

SATURDAY, JUNE 4
At Subiaco — Subiaco 16.19 b Swan Districts 10.8 — Margin: 47 points.
At Claremont — Claremont 17.12 b East Perth 10.13 — Margin: 41 points.
At the WACA — Perth 17.16 b West Perth 14.13 — Margin: 21 points.
MONDAY, JUNE 6
At Fremantle — South Fremantle 16.10 b East Fremantle 12.12 — Margin 22 points.

EXPLOSIVE FOOTBALL ACTION

SATURDAY, JULY 30, BOUNCEDOWN 2.20pm

SWAN DISTRICTS v SUBIACO at Bassendean
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GARY'S GOSSIP

with GARY CARVOLTH of 6PR Sport-n-Talk

Saints want R.D. Barassi

RAY "Slug" Jordon reports that up to three VFL clubs could be looking for new coaches next season.

They are Geelong, who could be looking to replace John Devine, St Kilda, who have Cowboy Neil waiting in the wings to take over from Darrel Baldock if necessary, and Fitzroy, who will be parting company with David Parkin.

One of the names being tipped as likely to re-enter the coaching arena is Ronald Dale Barassi, who could be just the man St Kilda need to bring on the outstanding array of young talent that the Saints have maturing in their reserves and colts.

HUNT FOR BUNT

THE South Australian National Football League are about to investigate the affairs of South Adelaide following poor performances both on and off the field.

It is said that the club's benefactor — a successful builder — has up to $300,000 to pour into South Adelaide's coffers, especially if they can find an experienced top-line coach to take over next season.

One name claimed to be high on their wanted list is H. Bunton. I will say no more!

MEDAL CHANGE

CHANNEL 7 intend to present their prestigious Mick Cronin Medal to radio 6PR Sport 'n' Talk.

It has been rumoured that the medal will be awarded in the future to 6PR's Footballer of the Year.

This year marks the 10th anniversary of the Mick Cronin Medal, which was first awarded by Channel 7 in 1979.

6PR will be delighted to present this award in association with Channel 7 to honour the memory of one of football's very special people — D.J. (Mick) Cronin.

SLEEPING GIANT

A WORD of warning to the WAFL and the West Coast Eagles — basketball is enjoying, and deservedly so, tremendous public and media popularity at the moment.

But the real sleeping giant in Australian sport — the game known as soccer — is at long last stirring and you can thank the Socceroos for that after a series of outstanding performances in the recent Bicentennial Gold Cup.

Incidentally, the final of the cup grossed almost half a million dollars.

Here in Perth, the Western Super Soccer League had a shaky start, but has found its legs and, believe me, I know of a series of calculated plans which will give local soccer its biggest shot in the arm for years.

The plan is to restore unity to the sport and see a WA side accepted in the national competition.

Footy, you're in for the fight of your life. Peter Cummiskey and Bill Kerr, I have a couple of ideas that will interest you. I'm available to meet you at any time.

ALL IN THE MIND

MLC have held their second sports camp in WA and 40 of the State's outstanding young athletes from all sports — archery through to surf lifesaving and table tennis — attended.

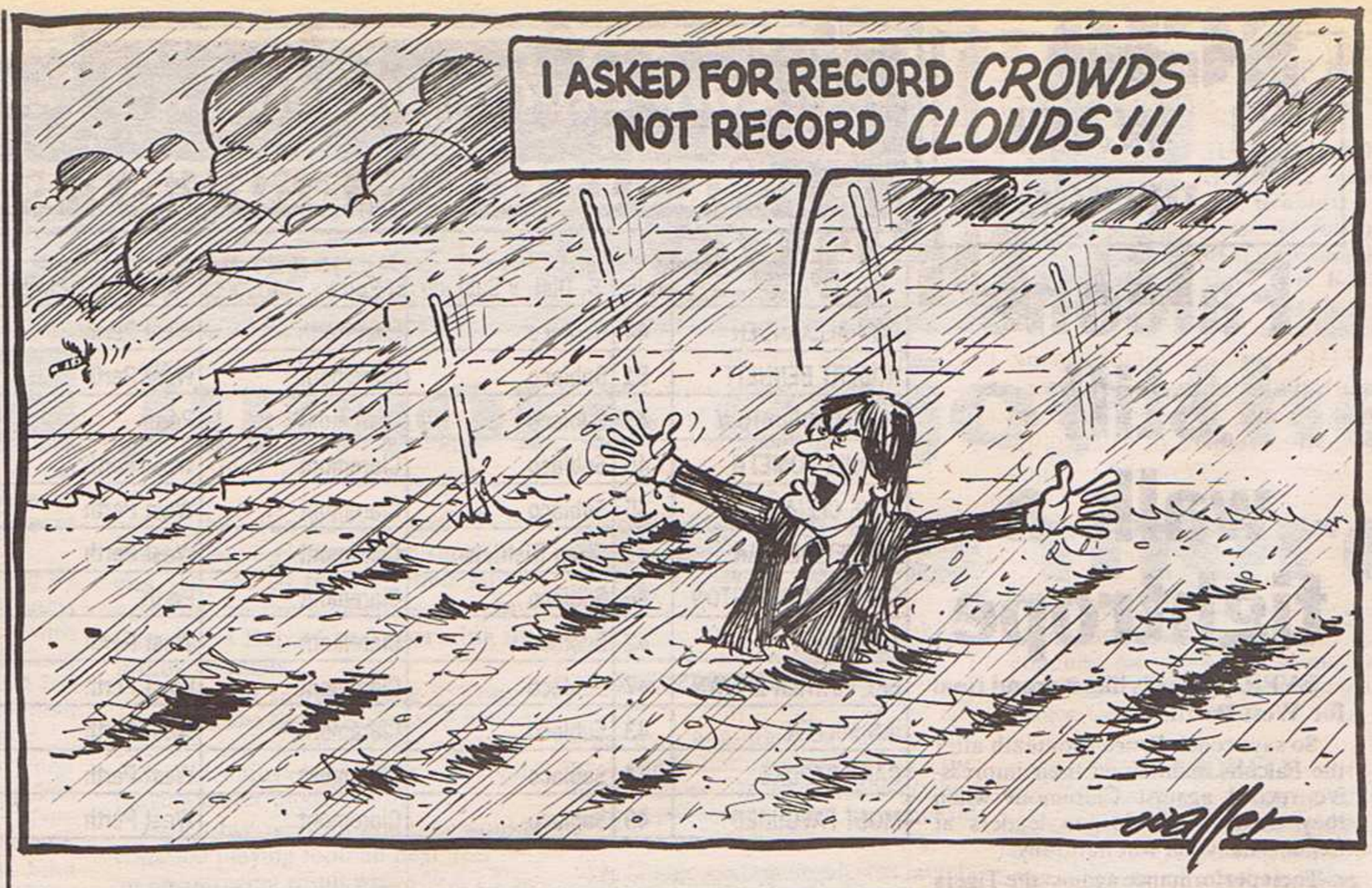
The focus was on sports psychology. After all, the athlete's physique hasn't changed over the past 1000 years, but at each Olympic Games more records are broken.

Something gives Olympics winners the edge.

The man who conducted the course for MLC, Dr Rod Blundell, has worked with elite athletes in Australia and the US in 25 different sports.

In the past 18 months he has taken five unranked athletes in five different sports to the top 10 in the world.

I asked Dr Blundell if he would consider talking to the West Coast Eagles. He respectfully declined, explaining he works with the Essendon Football Club.



The rain washed the hopes away

TAKING STOCK

by GARY STOCKS of The West Australian

WHEN WAFL chief executive Peter Cummiskey woke up last Saturday to the humdrum of preciptation, he would have scanned the neighbourhood searching for the black cat which had crossed his path.

Here he was, with what was the perfect round of WAFL football and the expectation of something like a 20,000 attendance for the four games.

Everything was perfect.

Subiaco and East Fremantle were playing with second place the reward for the victor; South Fremantle had the chance to draw level with fourth-placed Perth and West Perth could keep their final-round hopes alive with a victory over Claremont.

As well, the Eagles were playing in Melbourne, so it was with great anticipation that Cummiskey nestled in behind his desk at league headquarters early in the week.

At least everything was perfect until the rain came and did not cease for a minute during the day.

The result was a projected attendance of around 9000 — half the expected attendance had fine weather prevailed.

Still, the WAFL gets to live another day and let's hope that the rain does not intervene this Saturday.

PERFECT RESULTS

The weather might have been less than brilliant, but the results were perfect on the sodden league grounds on Saturday.

South joined Perth on equal points when they beat the Demons; West Perth upset Claremont and are now hovering in sixth position one game behind Perth and South, while Subiaco assumed second place.

This Saturday also provides two games with tremendous crowd-drawing potential.

West Perth play Perth at Leederville Oval for the chance to draw level with the Demons and South Fremantle could slip into the four for the first time this season if they can upset East Fremantle, at East Fremantle Oval.

Naturally, South will rely on West Perth to win as well if they they are to sneak into the top half of the premiership table.

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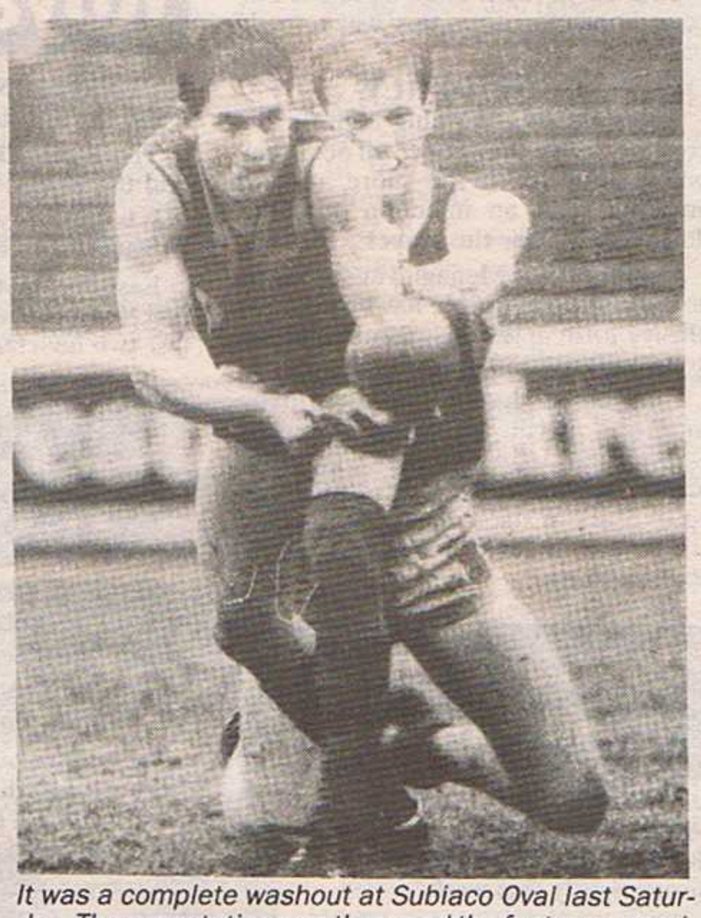
THE Wesfarmers Country Football Championships again provided some entertaining football but there was some criticism over the structure of the competition.

This year 16 teams competed in two divisions, rather than the three grades which had become something of a tradition.

The sad thing was that three teams won all their matches, but still could not qualify for the final.

All that can be asked of teams is for them to win and to miss a place in the final by percentage is sapping for the players and officials involved.



It was a complete washout at Subiaco Oval last Saturday. The expectation was there and the footy was good, but unfortunately the weather was cold and wet as Subiaco's Paul Cox (front) and East Fremantle's Michael Broadbridge found.

The A-grade grand final was played between North Pilbara and Goldfields, but the South-West combination also won both qualifying matches, only to be spectators at Claremont Oval on Sunday.

The same situation arose in B-section with Southern Districts and Central Midlands missing a place in the grand final.

As one of the coaches from those teams said: "All you can do is win games of football and we'll die not knowing whether we were good enough to be champions."

There are two ways to avoid a recurrence of the problem:

1. Rather than having a winners v losers round of matches on the second day, they should have winners v winners, leaving just two undefeated teams after two matches — they they play in the final.

2. Revert back to the three division system, spreading out the teams with six in the top two divisions and four in the third.

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Coaching standards improve

DORRO'S DIARY

By GRANT DORRINGTON
Football Development Trust co-ordinator

THE standard of coaching in many junior clubs in Western Australia would be to the forefront of football anywhere in Australia.

That is my confirmed opinion as I travel around the metropolitan area on weekends watching the enormous amount of junior football being played.

Theres no doubt that the quality of WA's junior coaches has improved dramatically over the past five years since Brian Douge became the Director of Coaching.

At a time when many other sports are challenging Australian Football, our game must have the best football salesmen available — that is, the coach.

Because of its physical nature, our football must have top-quality coaches selling the game to the young people and parents of our community.

Junior clubs are now making it compulsory for their coaches to be accredited. Clubs have seen the tremendous benefits coaches obtain by learning to do their coaching job a little better.

The yelling, abusive junior coach is becoming a minority today as he finds out that players, parents and clubs don't want the damage his methods can do to young players.

Some junior clubs now hold regular meetings where the coaches discuss their teams and the latest methods of coaching to help achieve the best learning results for the players.

The outstanding junior coaches of our game all have the same basic philosophy and the most important is that they introduce the skills gradually.

They need to teach the juniors the skill in a standing position, or in slow motion and allow them to learn it that way first.

The first mental picture the junior gets when introduced to a skill will remain for a long time.

As the skill is learned through practise, the young players begin to master it at speed.

Junior coaches must be aware that making players run at top pace and perform a skill is difficult — even league players know that!

TEMPO

There is no doubt that the best coaching results are obtained by coaches who have taken the time to teach the skills in slow motion and then increase the tempo.

Using coaching aids to reinforce the skill is important. To be able to handball at a target gives the player first hand feedback as to his level of skill.

To be good at handball, a player should be able to hit a target with at least two thirds of the total shots.

Many of today's young players cannot achieve one-third results, so making them run and handball at a moving target only creates further hassles and loss of confidence.

The future of our game is based upon players being able to execute the difficult skills of Australian football with flair and precision. People want to see great skills.

Without doubt, the junior coach working in the community has the future of the game in his methods.

The better the junior coach, the better the senior level game.

Junior coaching ... it's a very high standard.

Schools control needs to be tight

FROM WHERE I SIT

Wheelchair sports critic
BILL MATHER-BROWN

AMIDST all the gloom and doom of football at present, there has been a significant ray of light with the expansion of secondary schools football.

School against school has led to young boys taking a deeper interest in their sport and finding new meaning to the wearing of the schools colours.

There is a worrying aspect, however and that is maintaining sufficient control to eliminate the ugly side of football.

There was at least one Quit Cup game where things heated up and some doubts were cast on the ability of the umpire to cope with the situation.

As that competition settles down and the boys become more determined to do well for their school, then the fury of their attacks on the ball will be a lot fiercer than they have been this year.

MISTAKE

It is a bad mistake to believe that as they are only children playing, the games will be easy to control.

This could have nasty consequences if the teams are 15 or 16-year-olds who have watched a little too much senior football and think that the way to victory is an all-in brawl.

Teachers are generally a level-headed lot, but even so it is not wise to have a "phys-edder" from either school in charge. Free kicks at the wrong time could easily label him as being "biased" and would leave even the most well-meaning officiator in an unenviable position.

In the Quit Cup there have certainly been all kinds of rules introduced to help control the games, but even so, a couple of hot heads could still spark a nasty incident that the competition could do without.

Organisers of the Quit Cup — and for that matter the CIG Shield — should have the best qualified umpires to run these games, particularly when they move towards the finals.

Even the first rounds should have an independent umpire.

A school of umpires under the guidance of the WAFL should be set up so that prospective umpires can be tutored in the best techniques to do the job well.

It must be remembered that some of the school footballers also play in fairly senior ranks at weekends. These advanced players have little regard for the opposition when it comes to trading tough, relentless hip-and-shoulders or worse.

These youngsters should not be discouraged from playing hard or tough. But anything untoward should result in strict control being applied.

Another misconception is that as they are only kids, they aren't going to do a lot of damage even if they do throw themselves around a bit.

I coached a boy once who copped a punch in the mouth that resulted in damaged front teeth. He retaliated, was reported and fronted the tribunal with a dentist report and signs of the conflict clearly evident.

His aggressor was there sporting a hand with stitches across the knuckles. The aggressor received a reprimand and the retaliator copped a week!

The tribunal explained that they avoided a heavier penalty becuase they didn't want to sully the reputations of a couple of high-spirited youngsters.

INFURIATES

What infuriates me with this kind of thinking is that both of those boys, though still in their mid-teens, were over the six-foot tall mark and well put together.

What is the difference between a smack in the mouth from one of them, compared with a man of similar physique?

I don't believe in letting kids off. They must learn, as early as possible, that such hooliganism is not going to be tolerated.

All school football should adopt this attitude and then the competition will be noted not only for its keen rivalry, but also for its exemplary administration and control.

Schools series a winner

STUDENT involvement has proved to be the success story of the Quit Cup, which was introduced to secondary schools this season.

The competition was started in Government and private schools to help promote the first XVIII concept.

The Quit Cup attracted 61 secondary schools, making it the biggest school sporting competition for first XVIII teams in the history of football.

The students have become totally involved, introducing rules and regulations, along with a strict Code of Behaviour.

The concept has been so successful that many other sports are planning to copy this revolutionary approach to youth sport.

The 1988 season has seen 260 games of football played on a Wednesday afternoon with a total of 1400 students taking part.

This Sunday the Quit Cup reaches its climax when the grand finals are played in two divisions.

The Barry Cable Division sees Warwick Senior High School, the champion school of the northern metropolitan area, play Hamilton Senior High School, winners of the south metropolitan zone.

In the Graham Farmer Division, All Saints College, from the metro south area, will play Eastern Hills Senior High School, winner of the north metropolitan area.

All four schools have a real football fever running high, with students, staff and parents totally involved in supporting the grand final teams.

Football in the Quit Cup was designed to be "more than a game" to schools. Correctly developed and supported, the first XVIII competition can assist in school discipline and pride.

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Peake will set a high target

EAST Fremantle are a little unique when it comes to their 200 Club — they are possibly the only club this decade to see a change at the top of their games-played order.

Veteran Brian Peake moved to the top of the table this season when he played his 263rd game with the Sharks to pass the long-standing record held by Con Regan.

Peake has now advanced to 273 games and it will certainly be a long time before any other East Fremantle player can challenge his tally — and his career is not yet over.

Defenders seem to have performed best at East Fremantle over the years when it comes to joining the 200 Club.

Apart from Regan, an outstanding centre-half-back, other great players to wear the blue-and-white in defence for long periods were Norm Rogers and Frank Coulson.

BOASTS

Unlike other clubs, East Fremantles 200 Club boasts only one small man, apart from Peake if you classify him in that category.

But that one player certainly left his mark at the Port club — Jack Sheedy played 210 games with Old Easts before moving to East Perth for a long and successful coaching career.

How would the East Fremantle 200 Club ruck department shape up if they took the field together? And what about their forward line?

The ruckmen were Jack Clarke and Bob Hicks, with key forwards George Prince, Ken Holt and George Doig among the game's best.

Brian Peake ... East Fremantle's record holder with 273 games.

Frank Sparrow's favourite ...

KNOW YOUR CLUB

By REECE HOGAN

FORMER champion player and coach Frank Sparrow, now a commentator with radio 6PR, recalls a favourite player from EAST FREMANTLE.

Clarke was a superb ruckman

EAST Fremantle have produced few more decorated players than Jack Clarke, or "Stork" as he was known.

Clark made his debut for Old Easts in 1952 after hailing from the country town of Jennacubbine, near Goomalling.

He was 193cm (6ft 4in) tall, yet he was very agile and could play both attacking and defensive roles. However, Clarke made a name for himself as a ruckman.

His ruck duels with Graham Farmer and Merv McIntosh were the highlights of many football seasons.

Clarke had an exceptional leap and was a fine palmer of the ball. He also took a beautiful high mark and was a superb reader of the play, which enabled him to have a big influence on a game.

In 1957, Clarke won the Sandover Medal and was also East Fremantle's fairest and best in 1956, '60 and '61.

Clarke earned four All-Australian blazers and was a member of the successful 1961 WA carnival team in Brisbane.

Jack Clarke ... in his heyday.

The 200-game players

273 games
Brian Peake, utility 1972- ... One of the State's best all-round footballers. A Sandover and Tassie Medallist who was very versatile and a great reader of the play.

262 games
Con Regan, defender 1953-65 ... Played at full-back, but could also play in attack. Had a terrific leap and an excellent kick. Very close-checking and attacking.

240 games
Norm Rogers, defender 1956-58 ... Played mainly at centre-half-back. Very rugged and solid with a reputation for being tough.

231 games
George Prince, full-forward 1939-53 ... One of East Fremantle's best all-round footballers. Very versatile with an excellent kick, especially at goal.

210 games
Jack Sheedy, rover 1942-55 ... One of the most famous names in WA football history. A master of the drop kick and stab pass. Very tough and rugged rover.

206 games
Jack Clarke, ruckman 1952-62 ... One of the greatest ruckmen ever. Most decorated All-Australian player and Sandover Medallist in 1957.

204 games
Bob Hicks, ruckman 1948-60 ... Very effective and reliable footballer. Possessed a good left foot kick.

202 games
Ken Holt, centre-half-forward 1954-65 ... Played in the forward line but was versatile. Good kick and strong mark.

202 games
George Doig, full-forward 1933-45 ... An all-time great full-forward. Had an uncanny ability to know where the goals were. Was leading goalkicker for the WAFL six times.

200 games
Frank Coulson, defender 1954-65 ... Very reliable and always played a good game. Close-checking, hard-hitting footballer.

Centremen do well for East Frem.

EAST Fremantle have a talented line-up of Sandover Medallists and the last five all have something in common — they played some of their best football in the centre.

The clubs most recent Medallist, current Eagles star Murray Wrensted, continued the trend of previous centremen (or ruck-rovers at times) to take out the State's most prestigious award.

Brian Peake (1977), Graham Melrose (1974), David Hollins (1971) and Ray Sorrell (1963) all thrived in middle-of-the-ground action.

The club's three other Medal Men were Jack Clarke, Jim Conway and Lin Richards.

The Simpson Medal also rates importantly at East Fremantle with their tough defender Alan Ebbs the inaugural winner of that award, taking it for being the best player in the 1945 grand final.

Since then six East Fremantle players have won the Medal for best-on-ground performances in grand finals, with Kevin Taylor, Gary Gibellini, David Imrie and Frank Conway being in winning teams, while Norm Rogers and Ray Sorrell were in losing sides.

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Houdini Haydn does it again

ONCE again Subiaco's Haydn Bunton has turned his team's performances around from a mid-year slump, due to poor form and injuries, to regain second spot from East Fremantle.

Subiaco won in the heavy conditions because after the first 15 minutes of the game their commitment to meet the football — body behind the ball and sticking to the basics — was superior East Fremantle's.

Subiaco typified the Bunton approach — persistence, courage, commitment and run.

He has also turned the form of Brad McDougall around from a skilful but spasmodic forward to a solid four-quarter midfielder.

McDougall's form in the centre was one of the major factors in his side's victory.

It was not only his long kicking and skilful ball-handling, but also his willingness to work on the basics, his tapons and body commitment in the packs that lifted the Lions.

Both Subiaco and East Fremantle continue to promote youth with first-gamers Paul Cox and Steven Rosich (Subiaco) and Dwayne Regan (East Fremantle).

They all acquitted themselves well, especially Regan, who showed great composure and flair, particularly in the first half.

Paul Cox ... Subiaco first-game player.

SHANE SHINES

IT didn't turn out a good day for East Fremantle on Saturday, but it was no fault of full-back Shane Ellis.

Ellis, one of the most experienced players in the line-up, put in another top performance against Subiaco's Todd Breman.

Ellis has had a consistent year of football and was probably unlucky not to represent WA against the VFA earlier this month.

Last Saturday he handled the wet conditions to perfection. His disposal under pressure was top class and he was prepared to leave his position when necessary to run and meet the ball and set up attacking moves.

Ellis and centre-half-back John O'Sullivan are two of the best key defenders in the league and will be prime movers in East Fremantle's finals bid.

Shane Ellis ... reliable Sharks defender.

HAWK OF FUTURE

THE name Crimmins made headlines in the Melbourne Sun last week.

Ben Crimmins, son of the late Hawthorn champion and captain Peter, was among the best for Assumption College, Kilmore, when they beat St Bernards, Essendon, to win the Sun Shield for the second successive year.

Crimmins, at 16 years of age, played as a ruck-rover and displayed good skills.

It is good to see Ben making his way steadily and, according to his mother Gwen, coming to terms with the publicity and pressure associated with the Crimmins name.

It's to be hoped that Ben and younger brother Sam (14) will one day make it to the famous club at Glenferrie Oval.

Names that mean so much

CONGRATULATIONS to young Demons Barry Cable Jun and Shane Stiles on making their League debut against South Fremantle.

They are sons of former Perth greats Barry Cable and Alan "Chubby" Stiles and it was good to see the boys make the grade.

I'm sure they'll always remember game No.1 against South at Fremantle in quagmire conditions that ended in a loss.

I was pleased that Chubby was able to fly across from Sydney to watch Shane in action.

I had a chat with Chubby's father, Arthur, on Saturday morning. Shane lives with Chubby's parents while the rest of the family is in Sydney.

Arthur said Shane was more nervous than Chubby before his first game. Knowing Chubby and his nervous energy before a game, I find that hard to believe.

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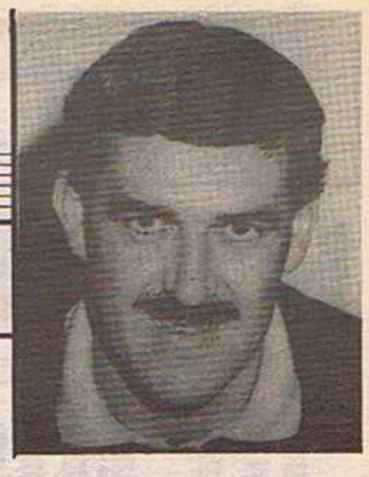

State games should count

I WAS interested to read fellow columnist Peter Bosustow's comments last week in regard to his forfeiting WAFL Provident Fund payments because he moved to Melbourne to play.

Having been in the same situation, I understand how he feels.

Criteria in the early '70s to maintain your payments when shifting to Victoria were (1) seven years service; (2) 130 games; (3) transfer in employment.

Having completed the first two requirements, it hurt the pocket even more.

I still can't fathom why the WAFL doesn't officially recognise State games in a player's official games record.

It is an honour to represent your State but, according to the WAFL, not deserving of inclusion in your playing record like a normal home and away game.

I think this is wrong, especially in the case of State games that in past years were played away while normal league fixtures were held on the same day in Perth.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Ian Miller played 196 WAFL games and represented WA 15 times but is not eligible for membership the 200 Club.

Goldie's game

HAVING just spent a week in the sun at Club Med Bali, all that rain at last weekend's fixtures was a little hard to take.

A member of our contingent in Bali was former Demon premiership player and ABC commentator Ray Lawrence.

Goldie was at his sparkling best over the week. His form on the tennis court was excellent and he still has plenty of stamina for after-dark activities....he was voted King of the Disco in a tight vote.

Eagles on rocks

THE challenge was there with fifth spot up for grabs, but in the desperation stakes against Fitzroy the Eagles were left floundering.

The lack of spirit and commitment to meet the ball on many occasions was disappointing.

Mentally, the Eagles didn't come up for this game but, amazingly, they do still have some faint hope.

However, if they fail against Melbourne this week that dim light will be completely extinguished.

FOOTBALL FACTS

By top WA football historian DAVE CLEMENT

RAIN BRINGS GOAL DROUGHT

HEAVY rain last Saturday made goals hard to score and only 59 were kicked at the four games.

One had to go back 22 years to find a lower tally — only 49 were kicked on July 23, 1966.

East Fremantle's meagre tally of 3.9 last Saturday was their lowest score since 1967 when they scored 2.4 against Perth at Lathlain Park.

It was also their lowest score against Subiaco at Subiaco Oval since 1912 when they recorded 3.6.

Claremont's 4.4 against the Falcons was their lowest score since 1980 and their lowest at Leederville Oval since 1945 when they kicked 3.11.

And Swan Districts' tally of 6.8 was their lowest score for 15 years.

YEAR TO REJOYCE?

THOUGH there are a dozen instances of coaches winning the WAFL premiership first-up in post-war football, it is a rarity in the VFL.

Only John Nicholls (Carlton in 1972) has achieved this distinction but Alan Joyce, who had seven seasons coaching in WA with East Fremantle and Perth and is now with Hawthorn, has excellent prospects of joining him.

DERBY ORIGIN

THE origin of the word Derby pertaining to football matches between the two Fremantle teams has often been queried.

I subscribe to the theory that English settlers gave us the expression.

When two local teams meet in English soccer it's always referred to as a Derby.

Take the two London teams, Tottenham Hotspur (blue and white) and Arsenal, (red and white) or Liverpool (red and white) and Everton (blue and white).

Perhaps this was how our Fremantle Derby got its name.

RED FACE DEPT

SHOT down in flames ... that's me and there are no other words for it.

Last week I credited South Fremantle with the record for accuracy with 15 straight against Swans and now I'm humbly forced to retract.

The day after I left on an overseas holiday last year, East Fremantle slammed 20 straight against Subiaco, a fact I didn't record on my return.

Boy, you sure can land in plenty of hot water when reporting football facts.

FATHER'S DAY

IT WAS a proud day for the Cable family when brothers Barry and Shane lined up for Perth last week.

It's not often that a father sees two sons represent the club he once played for.

This prompts me to recall a similar instance.

Claremont fans will remember Irwin Lewis, father of Chris, Cam and Clayton, and also gentleman John O'Connell, who has watched Michael and David team up more than once.

At Leederville Oval Graham and Laurie Heal had a hard act to follow their father Stan — most people called him Pops — and the Bewick boys, Corry and Darren did their late father Ron proud.

Hit those Weagles in the pocket

"FINES?" said Eagles chief executive Bill Kerr. "We'd be accused of treating them like schoolboys."

"That's a loaded question. I'm not answering that," said coach John Todd.

The disgrace of last Friday night's humiliating loss to Fitzroy was only just setting in, but the two most senior Eagles were closing ranks, quick to back their players and avoid any disharmony.

My suggestion that match payments for the Eagles should be withheld wasn't treated seriously. But they should have been. Such was the disgrace of their performance.

Fitzroy, a bottom three club, were made to look well nigh invincible.

The Eagles had some triers, in particular Guy McKenna, Troy Ugle, John Annear and Chris Mainwaring, but too many of the others capitulated without much of a fight.

I certainly would have withheld any club awards — which went to McKenna and Ugle. The sponsors would have understood. In football there is only one winner.

Four seasons ago after the Sydney Swans had put in a lamentable effort, also at the MCG, club payments were withheld.

It had an immediate affect on the players, who saw how serious the officials were to succeed. They started to do something about it on the field — where it counts.

Dermott Brereton (left) and Jason Dunstall ... both players returned to action against Melbourne last week.

From leading football journalist and 6NR commentator KEN PIESSE in Melbourne.

Dunstall close to magic ton

VFL coaches regard Hawthorn full-forward Jason Dunstall as the most dangerous player in League football — and, after his six-goal effort against Melbourne last weekend, it's easy to see why.

The previous weekend, when Hawthorn were shocked by Sydney, Dunstall was forced to withdraw from the team at the last minute because of influenze.

He was dynamic on his return, kicking five goals before half-time as the top-of-the-ladder Hawks booted 15 goals to two to have the game won at half-time.

The 23-year-old Queenslander has now kicked 94 goals for the season in 16 games and should reach the magic century on Saturday against fifth-placed Essendon.

"When I first came to Hawthorn it took time to settle into things, but I enjoy it now," he said. "People look for me and it's a great help to have players like Dermott Brereton, John Platten and Michael Tuck providing opportunities for me. They are all champions."

In his first season, Dunstall vied with Hawk legend Leigh Matthews for the full-forward position. Matthews was given preference and Dunstall found himself being taken from the ground, particularly in damp conditions.

Since then he has improved every facet of his game and now not only is he Hawthorn's No. 1 choice at full-forward, but the Big V spearhead as well.

BT back in big-time

MANDURAH-BORN Brian Taylor, one of the most maligned footballers in the VFL competition, returned to form with seven goals in Collingwood's drawn match against North Melbourne.

Taylor has been dropped twice this year but regained senior status immediately after kicking seven goals with the reserves in round one, and five goals in round 16.

His best-on-ground performance in a tied game brought praise from everyone at Collingwood.

Captain Tony Shaw said: "I was pleased for big BT, who played a blinder for us back in front of goal.

"He trained really well last week with lots of enthusiasm and zing and I felt he was headed for a day out.

"We are a better side when he's leading and providing a marking option. He's gained great confidence from that game and has re-established himself as a real key to our goal set-up."

Taylor's seven-goal effort against North Melbourne took his tally to 47 goals in 15 senior matches for the season.

Only three others have kicked more — Hawthorn's Jason Dunstall (94), Geelong's Gary Ablett (66) and Footscray's Simon Beasley (60).

How WA players performed in VFL

	Kicks	Marks	H/ball	Score
HAWTHORN				
Gary Buckenara	14	3	7	1.0
MELBOURNE				
Alan Johnson	23	3	4	1.1
Earl Spalding	3	2	4	1.0
NORTH MELBOURNE				
Jim Krakouer	7	—	3	—
Phil Krakouer	15	4	3	—
RICHMOND				
Michael Mitchell	6	1	6	1.0
Peter Wilson	20	3	4	—
SYDNEY SWANS				
Wayne Henwood	5	2	3	0.1
BRISBANE BEARS				
Brad Hardie	11	4	4	4.3
Mike Richardson	15	6	6	—
Rod Lester-Smith	18	8	—	0.1
CARLTON				
Wayne Blackwell	12	3	8	0.3
John Dorotich	4	1	2	—
Peter Sartori	12	9	5	2.4
Steve Da Rui	6	1	5	—
COLLINGWOOD				
Michael Christian	2	3	5	—
Craig Starcevich	4	1	6	1.0
Brian Taylor	11	7	—	7.2
ESSENDON				
Bill Duckworth	8	3	3	1.0
Darren Bewick	18	5	4	1.0
FITZROY				
Brett Stephens	5	2	8	—
John Ironmonger	9	10	11	—
FOOTSCRAY				
Simon Beasley	8	7	2	3.3
GEELONG				
Mark Bairstow	10	1	6	2.0

HIT-OUTS: Earl Spalding 1, Michael Christian 2, Craig Starcevich 3, Peter Sartori, John Ironmonger 18.

Brownlow? Not me, says Healy

BROWNLOW Medal favourite, Sydney's Gerard Healy, discounts his chances of winning the famous VFL medal.

"I'm amazed at the 6/1 odds," he said. "I've had other seasons which have been just as good and have hardly polled a vote.

"In 1984 I won Melbourne's best and fairest, yet my teammates Peter Moore and Robert Flower ran first and third in the Brownlow. I polled just two votes. There's no reason to think that this season will be different.

"I'm just not the type of player who does the unbelievable things ... for instance you'd never see me featuring in the mark of the day unless I'm underneath the guy.

INTERSTATE UPDATE

by RICHARD CAMM
Eastern States statistician for the West Coast Eagles

FOOTSCRAY full-forward Simon Beasley passed the great John Coleman's career goal tally, with his three goals against Geelong on Saturday.

Coleman kicked 537 goals in only 96 games for Essendon, from 1949 to 1954. A bad knee injury prematurely ended Coleman's career one week after he kicked a career-best 14 goals against Fitzroy.

Beasley has kicked 538 goals since joining Footscray in 1982. He is equal 19th on the VFL's list of top goalkickers, with Lin White, who played for Geelong and South Melbourne in the 1940s.

Beasley has played exactly the same number of games (143) as White did to reach his tally.

OUTSCORED

THE West Coast Eagles were outscored in every quarter of a match for the first time this season when they lost to Fitzroy last Friday night.

The Eagles' 70-point loss was their worst for exactly a season. The Eagles lost to Sydney by 130 points in round 17 last year, before rebounding in their next match against Hawthorn, winning by one point.

FIRST DRAW

SATURDAY'S draw between Collingwood and North Melbourne was the first drawn game at Victoria Park for 16 years.

The draw was the 109th in the history of the VFL and the 10th since the Collingwood-North Melbourne drawn grand final in 1977.

In the past 10 draws, on seven occasions — including Saturday — the two clubs have recorded different goal tallies.

North Melbourne have been involved in four of the last six drawn VFL games. Before last Saturday, they had drawn with St Kilda (in 1980), Hawthorn (1985), and Footscray (last year) in that time.

No other club has been involved in more than one draw in that eight-year period.

RECORD SCORE

IN ROUND four of 1979, Footscray and Essendon set a record for the highest score in a drawn VFL game. Footscray kicked 20.8 (128) to Essendon's 19.14 (128) at the Western Oval.

The next draw occurred in Round three of the 1980 season, when Richmond and St Kilda drew at the MCG — and equalled the record for the highest-scoring drawn game. Richmond kicked 18.20 to St Kilda's 19.14.

When North Melbourne and Hawthorn each scored 17.11 (113) in round 11 of 1985, it was the first drawn game since Carlton and Fitzroy drew in the opening round of 1982. Fitzroy had scored 17.11 in that game to Carlton's 16.17.

UNBEATEN

ESSENDON will be hard-pressed to maintain their unbeaten July record when they meet league leaders Hawthorn at VFL Park on Saturday.

Essendon would appear to be a month-to-month proposition.

After being unbeaten in May, they didn't record a win in June. So far this month they have recorded wins against the West Coast Eagles, North Melbourne, Fitzroy and the Brisbane Bears.

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Beasley on the ball ...

IT was another goalkicking milestone for WA's Simon Beasley last Saturday when he posted three goals for Footscray (see Richard Camm's column on page 12).

In this encounter with Geelong defender Tim Darcy, Beasley is having the last laugh. But, in the final outcome, Beasley's goals didn't help the Bulldogs as the Cats took the premiership points.

How the Eagles rate

	V Ge	V Es	V BB	V Col	V Ft	V NM	V SK	V H	V C	V R	V M	V SS	V Flt	V Es	V G	V BB	V F	TOT
ANNEAR, John	-	-	-	4r	7	5	7	5	5	6	4	7	6	7	7	5	7	82
BARICH, Adrian	-	-	-	-	7	4	5	-	-	7	5	6	6	7	6	-	5	58
BRENNAN, Michael	6	6	7	6	4	5	-	-	6	4	-	6	-	6	6	6	5	69
CORMACK, Joe	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	6	5	3	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	22
GASTEV, John	3r	8	6	4	5	5	5i	4	-	6	6	4	-	-	-	-	-	56
GLENDINNING, Ross	6	6	7	5	9	7	-	-	4	4	4	4	6	-	4	2i	-	68
HART, David	5	7	5	4i	-	5	5	4	6	3	4i	-	5	5	5	3	4	70
HOLMES, Don	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	4	4	-	-	11
HUTTON, Brent	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	4	3	5	4r	22
ISHCHENKO, Alex	8	7	6	6	6	5	7	4	-	-	6	5	5	5	-	-	-	70
KEENE, Laurie	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	5	6	3	-	-	-	-	-	7	5	30
LAIDLEY, Dean	-	7	6	6	4	6	6	4	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	43
LAMB, Dwayne	8	6	5	7	6	6	7	4	7	6	5i	6	4	6	4	7	4	97
LANGDON, Karl	6	6	6	-	-	4	6	5	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	4	49
LEWIS, Chris	-	-	-	-	-	6	7	4	-	-	4	3	3	4	-	-	-	31
LOCKYER, Andrew	4r	5	5r	-	5	6	6	5	6	4	7	7	7	5	7	7	-	86
MAINWARING, Chris	6	6	8	5	6	-	-	-	8	6	6	5	6	7	8	7	6	90
MALAXOS, Steve	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4r	-	-	-	4	3	5	22
MATERA, Wally	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	4	6r	5	8	4	5	-	-	37
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McKENNA, Guy	7	6	7	4	-	-	8	6	6	5	-	5	4	-	-	5	5	69
O'CONNELL, David	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3i	-	3
O'CONNELL, Michael	7	4	5	3r	3	-	5	-	-	5	4	-	5	-	-	-	3	44
PEOS, Paul	6	-	-	-	-	-	7	3	3r	6	7	4	6	4	-	-	3r	49
RANCE, Murray	6	6	4r	5	6	4	6	4	7	4	7	7	6	4	5	5	5	91
SCOTT, Phil	7	7	6	4	6	4	6	7	5	4	6	4	7	6	7	7	5	98
TURNER, Dean	6r	7	6	6	7	5	-	4	-	-	6	4	6	4	-	-	-	61
UGLE, Troy	-	5r	3r	-	6	3	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4	30
WATERMAN, Chris	-	-	-	-	3r	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	5	6	7	6	-	33
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WRENSTED, Murray	5	6r	6	7	6	4r	7	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	6	6	5	69
ZANOTTI, Mark	7	5	7	6	5	3	6	4	5	5	4	-	5	5	3	-	3	73

Amazing change for Saints star

A WEEK is a long time in football — as St Kilda's Rod Owen has discovered.

Two weeks ago, in his comeback to competitive football after 10 matches on the sidelines, his troublesome knee saw him hobble off the field 15 minutes into the reserves match.

Acting on medical advice, he decided to sit it out till next season.

But last Saturday he almost kicked the Saints to victory over a determined Sydney Swans.

The Saints were desperate for key players and Owen responded to a plea from coach Darrel Baldock to make himself available for the seniors.

Full-forward Tony Lockett is out suspended, elusive goal-kicker Nicky Winmar had a hamstring injury and Peter McConville had influenza.

"The swelling went down considerably during the week, so I thought I might as well give it another go," said Owen.

"The talented 21-year-old showed plenty of class in the clash and kicked five goals — the last three with his left foot after straining his right leg early in the match.

PARKIN BLOWS HIS COOL

FITZROY coach David Parkin ran out of patience in a radio interview in Melbourne last week when the continuing saga of his future cropped up again.

Parkins future as coach of the Lions has been under review for some time, but he has no idea of what lies ahead for him.

Questions about his future have plagued him all year and despite his comments that he just doesnt know what the club plans to do in 1989, he still gets asked the questions.

The latest rumour is that there could be a straight swap — Parkin to Essendon with Bombers coach Kevin Sheedy to Fitzroy.

Devine faces quit call at Geelong

TROUBLED Geelong coach John Devine came under fire from supporters wanting his resignation despite notching a 46-point win over Footscray last Saturday.

"Devine must go" chanted a group of supporters holding a three-metre banner on the hill at Kardinia Park.

The banner proclaimed "hell bent on destruction" and the fans said they represented a number of Cats supporters who wanted a new coach in 1989.

Geelong's slump from a finals contender just two months ago to 1988 also-rans obviously hasnt pleased the Cats supporters — or their heirarchy.

Club director Fred Wooller reassured the players at a meeting before Saturdays game that everything was sweet in the Cats camp — but Devine wasnt talking about politics after the match.

"Is that all the questions?" said Devine as the after-match press gathering attempted to switch the line of talk to his own future.

"I'm only worried about footy, not politics," he added, walking from the room and telling a club official that he was going home.

TAXATION SLUG FOR DEMONS

THE Melbourne Football Club has been hit with a $5000 taxation bill under the Fringe Benefits regulation for bringing the parents of Irish recruits Jim Stynes and Sean Wight out to last year's finals series.

The club has paid the bill, but plans a legal challenge.

The Taxation Department investigated the incident and deemed it to be a benefit to the two players.

"We paid their expenses, not the players, so the Tax Department hit us," said Melbourne general manager Tony King.

Taylor back in favour

THE love-hate relationship that exists between the die-hard Collingwood football fans and their players surfaced again last week with full-forward Brian Taylor.

"BT" had been banished to the reserves as Collingwood struggled through a couple of poor games, but he was everybody's hero last week with a match-saving seven goals.

Taylor had been dropped after kicking only 10 goals in the previous six games, but he kicked half his teams score on Saturday as the Pies grabbed a thrilling draw with North Melbourne.

Taylors effort highlighted Collingwoods forward line problems when he is out of touch.

"It's a bit worrying when one player can kick seven goals and all the others together manage the same tally," said coach Leigh Matthews.

"Some of the forwards have lost a bit of confidence; they're getting to the stage where theyre spending too much time thinking about what they have to do."

VFL Report

BIG JOHN'S THE TOAST

JOHN Ironmonger has probably never played a more telling game of football in his life.

The much-maligned Sandover Medallist was bought by Fitzroy as a second-string ruckman in support for Matt Rendell.

But with Rendell languishing in the reserves, Ironmonger has been a terrific performer and was clearly best afield against the Eagles.

"John had something to prove, having been left out of both West Australian teams this year," said his coach David Parkin.

"He's had a very good year for us. He has consistently played at or close to his best each week and has been beaten only on a couple of occasions. He's been good value."

Ironmonger took 10 marks and 18 hit outs, rucking tirelessly for the whole game and outclassing Eagles pair Phil Scott and Laurie Keene.

Ironmonger, 27, played his 50th VFL game earlier this year. He had three VFL seasons with Sydney before joining the Lions this year.

"I've never seen him play as good a game as that," said WA coach John Todd.

VERSATILE STEVE

CARLTON'S Stephen Silvagni is establishing a reputation as one of the games most versatile match-winners.

Outstanding in defence most weeks, Silvagni showed another side of his talents last week when he helped kick the Blues to victory over Richmond.

After a steady first half at full-back, he was switched to a forward pocket when he spearheaded the second-half recovery. He kicked three goals and fed a fourth to skipper Stephen Kernahan.

In all, Silvagni had out-gunned four opponents at either end of the ground.

LEADING VFL GOALKICKERS

Jason Dunstall (Hawthorn)	94.47
Gary Ablett (Geelong)	66.48
Simon Beasley (Footscray)	60.20
Brian Taylor (Collingwood)	47.27
Ross Glendinning (Eagles)	46.34
Jeff Hogg (Richmond)	46.33
Richard Osborne (Fitzroy)	46.32
Warwick Capper (Brisbane Bears)	45.26
Tony Lockett (St Kilda)	35.19
Michael Turner (Geelong)	32.17
Graeme Wright (Collingwood)	32.19
Stephen Kernahan (Carlton)	32.18
Nicky Winmar (St Kilda)	30.30
Dermott Brereton (Hawthorn)	27.10
Bruce Lindner (Geelong)	27.15
Jim Krakouer (North Melbourne)	26.11
Dale Weightman (Richmond)	25.17
Alistair Clarkson (North Melbourne)	25.19
Brian Wilson (Melbourne)	25.19
Ricky Jackson (Melbourne)	25.22
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Simon Madden (Essendon)	25.06

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Michael Brennan	109	38	41
Joe Cormack	41	12	21
John Gastev	163	52	64
Ross Glendinning	118	77	46
David Hart	171	36	49
Don Holmes	19	11	19
Brent Hutton	33	23	8
Alex Ishchenko	66	53	62
Laurie Keene	48	24	14
Dean Laidley	102	30	21
Dwayne Lamb	233	48	92
Karl Langdon	78	27	28
Chris Lewis	61	13	20
Andrew Lockyer	105	49	32
Chris Mainwaring	239	73	96
Stephen Malaxos	53	14	44
Wally Matera	87	27	40
Guy McKenna	96	49	96
Geoff Miles	140	53	51
David O'Connell	3	4	2
Michael O'Connell	71	34	22
Paul Peos	112	45	33
Murray Rance	183	74	82
Phil Scott	119	60	42
Dean Turner	133	38	73
Troy Ugle	62	22	38
Chris Waterman	81	26	14
John Worsfold	246	77	88
Murray Wrensted	139	35	75
Mark Zanotti	143	41	59

FRIDAY FROL

FOR some people, Friday is the highl
the day the radio 6PR Football Forum
lunchtime live show in local hotels. Up
venues — and many of the front-rowe

Football funnyman John K. Watts (
too!) is the highlight of the show with
air of course.

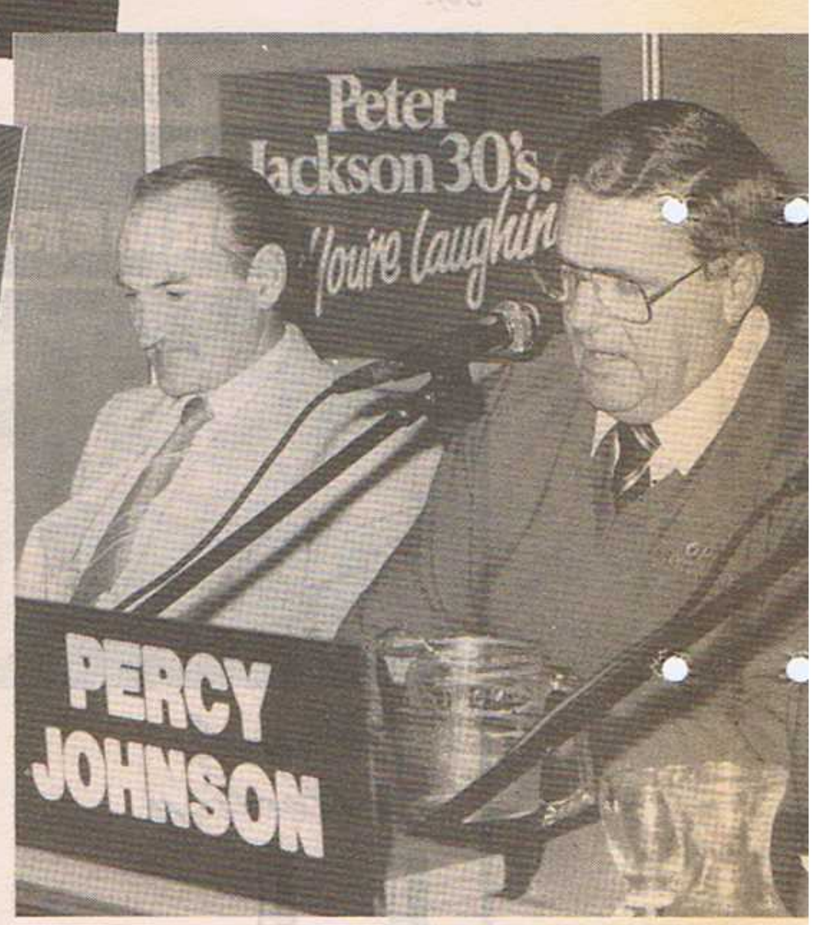
A host of prizes are given away to th
shortage of humour — as our camer
vered through his lens recently.

The panel heavyweights (from left) Bob Phillips, Rod Brown, special guest Peter Knights, compere Gary Carvolth, guest Bill Walker, John K. Watts and Percy Johnson.

One of the "lovely" highlights was when the Peter Jackson girl, Jenny Sendit, of Beechboro, cuddled up to Wattsie to give away a few prizes ... and showed her loyalty to Brisbane Bears coach Peter Knights.

The weekly Barbarella's prize really gets the g
Smith, of Wembley, have to

John K. Watts hands over 10 crisp $10 notes to the lucky winner of the Sunny Citrus door prize — Mrs Catherine Jenkins, of Riverton, with PR's behind-the-scenes organiser, Marie Healey, holding the cash.



This is real serious stuff! Bill Walke
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is the highlight of the football week. That's all Forum panel takes to the road for their hotels. Up to 600 people pack the various front-rowers are there week in, week out. K. Watts (yes, he really did play football, show with his half-time performance — off

away to the adoring crowd and there's no y cameraman, RICHARD MYERS, disco- ntly.

Pre-match warm-up. Compere Gary Carvolth tries to plan the forthcoming program, but food is a priority for a couple of the panelists.

NSORED!

gets the gigglers going ... especially when darling elderly people like Veronica y, have to unveil something special from the R-rated shops!

It's a new wardrobe coming up (or part thereof) for Gilbert Correia, of Floreat, as he receives the $40 voucher from Leonard's Menswear, of Gosnells.

Bill Walker, JKW and Percy te thier next word.

The Watsonia ham looks real cuddly as far as Mrs Lyn Delamere, of Beckenham, is concerned.

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Lions pair have a debut to remember

YOUNGSTERS Steve Rosich and Paul Cox had the distinction of making their debuts together on Saturday in a victorious Subiaco team.

Both Cox and Rosich have been promoted through the colts this season and are local products from the talent-laden Warwick area.

Rosich will certainly remember his first game as it may be the last he plays for a while.

Unfortunately, he was slung over the boundary line during a tackle and dislocated his shoulder.

Medical staff had difficulty getting the shoulder back into joint and he may face an operation to repair damaged ligaments.

SHARKS ROOKIE

East Fremantle debutante Dwayne Regan shared the spotlight in the same match as the two Subiaco first-gamers.

The 17-year-old Regan played an outstanding first half opposed to Lions centreman Brad McDougall. Understandably, his form faded in the second half as the heavy ground took its toll on rookie legs.

Regan is set for a bright future if his past record is any indication.

He played State schoolboys in 1985, Teal Cup in 1987 and was a member of the Sharks premiership colts team last year.

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ON THE BALL

By MIKE KNUCKEY

WHAT A DAY!

Saturday's water-logged and wintery conditions took its toll on all WAFL players and spectators. Michael Broadbridge (above) spent most of the day in and out of the Subiaco gluepot to finish the game wet, muddy, tired and disappointed.

More troubles for Sidebottom

THE 1988 season is one that Swan Districts ruckman Alan Sidebottom would rather forget.

The injury-prone big man has been in
and out of the Swans league side with one problem after another.

First it was a knee injury, followed by a broken jaw when kept him out for five weeks.

Just when he was playing better football, back problems sidelined him for a further two games.

Against East Perth last Saturday recurring back trouble flared up again and it's unlikely Sidey will play again this season.

Sidebottom returned from Melbourne at the start of this season, but his run of injuries must make him wonder if it is all worth while.

Drencher had plenty of damp highlights

THE non-stop rain last Saturday really tested the die-hard football fans and the WAFL recorded possibly their lowest-ever qualifying round attendance.

Only about 9600 people braved the elements at the four grounds, where they saw some good, tough contests despite the difficulty of playing football.

But there were plenty of highlights, both on and off the field and in such unusual circumstances, it's worth recording some of the "different" angles from the round.

★★★★

TWO young lads had a real whale of a time at Fremantle Oval and must have felt that the conditions were fantastic.

With the half-time Little League fixture under way as normal, two of the reserves in the South Fremantle camp were getting a little frustrated awaiting their turn to take part in the action.

Despite looking immaculate in their red and white guernseys, they invented a little game of their own called "kick mud all over your mate".

With a kicking style that Maurice Rioli would have been proud of, they sent drop punts of mud flying through the air... but then their activities came to a sudden halt.

There they were, standing solemnly, hands behind backs on either side of their coach after one of their drop punts had hit the wrong target!

★★★★

THE goal umpires at Fremantle Oval were entitled to call for flippers instead of the customary football boots.

A both ends of the ground, the goalsquare boasted a pool of water 15cm deep for them to stand in.

Early in the third term Perth rover Mark Watson snapped at goal only to find that the water-logged ball fell short and landed in the goalsquare.

Instead of taking an awkward bounce, the ball skidded towards goal and floated to a stop centimetres past the line to record a major.

Surely that gives new meaning to the term "a floating punk kick".

★★★★

FIELD umpire Mike Ball said that the conditions were not the worst he had seen league football played in.

Sitting in the changerooms completely drenched, looking as if he had been lost at sea for a month, he recalled a wet day in a bygone decade.

"Ten years ago these changerooms were flooded in a game between East Perth and South Fremantle," he says.

"I remember it well — it was Mal Brown's first year as captain-coach of South Fremantle."

Ball was in good spirits after the wintry day and was not at all critical of the ground conditions.

"The surface was not too bad considering the amount of rain we received," he said. "It was very waterlogged, but held up pretty well."

★★★★

PERTH coach Robert Wiley felt that the conditions were the worst he had experienced in WAFL football.

But second game-player Chris Baxter, who hails from Melbourne and has played a handful of reserves games with Essendon, put the day in perspective: "If you had that much rain in Melbourne, you would need a canoe to get around."

★★★★

FULL marks to umpires Mike Ball and Glen Lee, who had control of the match at Fremantle Oval.

They sensibly adjusted their umpiring to suit the conditions and helped prevent the game bogging down.

Paying many more free kicks than usual had the effect of opening up play and prevented congestion around the ball.

There were few "touchy" free kicks paid in front of goal, and milling packs were rarely seen.

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Tense battle in two camps

THE rival coaches in the West Perth and Perth camps will certainly be treating this week's clash with all the importance of a finals battle.

Neither side has played a prominent role in the finals for a decade or so and a win on Saturday is crucial to the hopes of '88 for both camps — particularly West Perth.

One motivating factor for Bruce Monteath to fire up his troops is the statistic that Perth remain the only side in the competition that the Falcons have yet to topple this season.

More to the point is that Perth's most convincing of their two victories was at Leederville Oval — the scene for this week's crucial encounter.

One player destined to play a vital role in West Perth's finals aspirations will be the slightly-built Malcolm Williams.

Conspicuous by his size (or lack of it) Williams has been a damaging player around the forward line, often figuring among his team's best players.

Last week was no exception when the 18-year-old Guildford Grammar graduate pulled off another of the club's top awards.

ON THE BALL

By MIKE KNUCKEY

Short debut for Stiles

PERTH'S Shane Stiles may have broken the record for the shortest league debut ever.

The son of former Perth stalwart Alan "Chubby" Stiles started the match on the ground, but as the siren sounded for the first bounce, he was replaced by Wayne Ryder.

Stiles would be justified in asking: "What did I do wrong coach?"

But the truth of the matter is that Souths started with one less big man than Demons coach Rob Wiley bargained on.

This meant that the strongly-built Stiles had to make way for the pacy Ryder.

However, Stiles got his chance early in the second quarter when Dempsey Narkle incurred the wrath of his coach by giving away a foolish 50-metre penalty and was promptly benched.

Stiles struggled in the conditions till the last quarter when he marked 30 metres in front of goal.

However, the thought of kicking a goal with his first kick in league football was obviously a bit much as he drilled it straight into the man on the mark.

But he'll be back if he's got his father's determination!

Players let hair down!

WHAT was John Farnham doing at Bassendean Oval last Sunday evening?

And how come Louis Armstrong was alive and well and still rasping out those old tunes in his gravel-tone voice?

Well, it wasn't exactly those superstars, but the next best thing as Swan Districts held their "players review" last Sunday.

More than 500 people packed the function room to get a completely different look at their footballers.

One of the club's young stars, 16-year-old Shane Marshall, bears a close resemblance to Australia's No. 1 pop singer, but needs some persuading before imitating the star.

However, while "Whispering Jack" didn't quite sound the same, the act was very convincing.

In good form also was skipper Peter Ware, who did a take-off of the irresistable Louis Armstrong singing "What A Beautiful World". Who else but Peter Ware for such an act?

Players reviews are great nights as the footballers shed their inhibitions. But it's still hard to be convinced that Shane Renfree could even remotely imitate Kylie Minogue!

It's a fair wager that she would even look better in footy shorts!

EAST PERTH'S chances of improving on yesterday's drubbing by South Fremantle are not good.

Their three senior grades all lost to the Bulldogs with a combined deficit of 180 points.

ROYALS REMEMBER ...

THIS little snipped appeared in *The West Australian* way back at the start of the season ... and has lingered in the minds of Royals fans ever since. Three weeks ago, when they experienced that disastrous game against South Fremantle, losing the league clash by one point, they were set to reverse the opening-game result after their reserves and under-19s had won. But they then had to wait till last Saturday, when their minor grades again set the example — and the seniors finished it off to give them their first hat-trick for the season. Incidentally, the Royals colts have now won six games in a row and the reserves four on end.

TOP TIPSTER

TALKING about newspaper flashbacks, the talented line-up of football writers at The West Australian are anxiously watching the composition of the final four to see how their pre-season tipping has gone. At this stage only the experienced Ken Casellas has the right four teams in the top four — and, in fact, has them in the correct order. In addition, he almost has the bottom four correct, with only Swans and West Perth around the wrong way. It's interesting to note that four of the other five writers left East Fremantle out of their top four.

Dean Turner ... a true Royal.

Turner shows his heart is still Royal

DEAN Turner's relegation from the Eagles side last Friday was an unexpected bonus for East Perth.

A determined Turner proved to be a Royals match-winner against Swan Districts in the typical Victorian conditions at the WACA Ground last Saturday.

Turner is widely regarded as a great "team" player, as the post-game presentations on Saturday confirmed.

When Turner collected his award for the Royals best player, he handed the $100 cheque to East Perth property man Pat Watson.

It was a great show of loyalty by the 28-year-old bank clerk and one that was appreciated by club members, particularly Watson, who has been a popular property man at East Perth for 32 years.

COMMITMENT

He does the job for the under-19s and reserves as well, which means a seven day a week commitment to football.

The remuneration for such a commitment is minimal when you consider the hours involved and it's people like Watson who will keep the WAFL surviving.

Turner's gesture acknowledged one of football's thankless tasks...good on you Dean!

A new series ...

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Westside Football writer REECE HOGAN highlights an outstanding performance in WAFL club football last week.

Menaglio thrives in the mud

WEST Perth captain Peter Menaglio led his team by example last Saturday when they defeated top team Claremont by 19 points, at Leederville Oval.

Menaglio was in scintillating form, enabling the Falcons to keep their finals hopes alive, as they remain only a game and percentage out of the four.

Regarded as one of the hardest workers in the WAFL football, Menaglio used his excellent skills in the atrocious conditions.

Menaglio's desperation, hard work and experience showed out through the whole game, proving his invaluable leadership qualities.

Playing in his 11th year at League level, Menaglio has notched 204 games with the Falcons at the age of 29.

The pint-sized centreman will have a big effect on the fugure of West Perth and will be working harder than ever to see the Falcons in the four by 5pm on Saturday, August 20.

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Carnival sidelights

FIRST TIME

THE North Pilbara became the first team in the championship's 24-year history to win B-grade and A-grade premierships in successive years.

It was also the first time a team from north of Geraldton had won the title.

Last year, the Geraldton-based Great Northern Football League easily accounted for reigning champions, South West, in the A-grade final, breaking a nine year winning streak.

AVON WIN

AVON, A-grade premiers in 1976 and 1977, thrashed North Midlands in the B-grade final, winning 19.18 (132) to 7.6 (48).

Best players for Avon were Ross Fitzgerald, Kim Rogers, Davis and Powell and for North Midlands, Dick, Barker, Johnson and Calver.

ALL STARS

The 1988 Wesfarmters All Stars team announced after the A-grade final was:

Tom Pearce (Central Great Souther) captain; Glen O'Loughlin (Goldfields) vice-captain; Bernie Rourke, Russell Sparks, Paul Collie, Kevin Mitchell, Mark Hodgson (North Pilbara); Dean Kemp (Goldfields); Michael Krygger, Craig Watson, Clayton Lewis (South West); Ian Batchelor (Central Great Southern); Andrew Crook (Eastern Districts); Bradley Barton (Upper Great Southern); Lindsay White (Central Australia); Steve Perham, Brett Marsden (Great Northern); Kim Rogers, Rob Jackamarra (Avon); Max Johnson (North MIdlands); Don Nesbitt (Southern Districts); Todd Menagola (Central Wheatbelt).

SUBI STAR

ANOTHER outstanding player in the championship was Glen O'Loughlin, playing for his home town Goldfields side. The former Subiaco and Eagles player was in fine form, playing in the following division and is content playing for Kalgoorlie City, in what he says is a high standard of football.

GOALKICKER

ROB Jackamarra, of the Avon Football Association, was the leading goalkicker in the carnival. In Avon's first game against Central Midlands, he kicked nine goals and posted 10 in their second game against Ongerup. In the final against North Midlands, he kicked six, giving him 25 for the series. Jackamarra is well travelled and has played for Central Midlands and Lake Grace.

The victorious North Pilbara team celebrate their carnival triumph.

ANOTHER highly-skilled player from North Pilbara was Shane Gidgup, who played well as a centreman.

Gidgup has played League football in Queensland and with the right opportunities, is willing to tackle the WAFL.

UMPIRES

ALL the umpires in this year's Wesfarmers championships came from the country areas. Previous years have seen a few country umpires used, but 1988 is the first time that the championships have had umpires solely from the country. All the umpires did an excellent job and very few complaints were received.

McGUIRE'S GAME

FORMER Perth player Oral McGuire was another member of the well-balanced North Pilbara side that took out the title.

Comparing the standard between the WAFL and Pilbara football, McGuire believes that there was little difference.

McGuire believes that strong play at ground level is a feature of football up North.

Country footballers use long, raking handballs effectively, which complements their run-on game. The standard of marking is excellent, especially in the packs.

NORTH Pilbara ruckman Mark Hodgeson was one of the stand-out stars of the Wesfarmers carnival.

Big and strong, he showed the capacity to handle ruck duties, plus have a spell in either of the key forward positions.

An excellent mark, he showed the ability to kick with either foot; was agile and used handball effectively.

The 22-year-old Hodgeson won the WAFL trophy for the best player in the A-section grand final — and says he is keen to tackle WAFL ranks.

SPARKS STARS

FORMER East Perth player Russell Sparks was in scintillating form for North Pilbara.

Sparks, who played 88 games for the Royals, was vice-captain of North Pilbara, ruck-rover, changing on the half-forward flank.

Sparks has no intention of returning to Perth.

"There's not enough money down there," said Sparks.

This seems to be the attitude of many promising country players — why come to the WAFL when you can earn a good dollar working and still play a decent standard of football.

CARNIVAL DETAILS

Results of the Wesfarmers Country championships were:

THURSDAY, JULY 21

A GRADE:

Eastern Districts 18.8 b Great Northern 12.13.
Eastern Districts — goals Fotheringhame 6; best Zumach, Brown, Hancock. Great Northern — goals Perham 4; best Marsden, Edwards, Perham.

North Pilbara 15.22 b Central Great Southern 10.9.
North Pilbara — goals Sparks 5; best Hodgeson, Sparks, Rourke. Central Great Southern — best Bachelor, Bigwood, Jenkins.

South West 13.7 b Central Australia 11.15.
South West — goals Thorne 4; best Lewis, Watson, Gibson. Central Australia — best Miller, McAdam, Dunkin.

Goldfields 12.15 b Upper Great Southern 12.6.
Goldfields — best Garbin, Kemp, Murphy. Upper Great Southern — best Spurr, Bairstow, Lathwell.

B GRADE:

Avon 22.24 b Central Midlands 8.2.
Avon — goals Jackamarra 9; best Rogers, Jackamarra, Thompson. Central Midlands — best Pearson, McAlpine, Helliwell.

Central Wheatbelt 26.6 b Ongerup 15.22.
Central Wheatbelt — goals Cooper 5; best Hudson, Menangola, Taylor. Ongerup — goals Bunker 6; best Bunker, Smith, Beaver.

North Midlands 19.16 b Mortlock 10.7.
North Midlands — goals Clark 5; best Clark, Spencer, Barker. Mortlock — best Lee, Crouch, Briekhill.

Southern Districts 13.14 b Lower South West 10.6.
Southern Districts — goals Williams 7; best Nesbitt, Smallwood, Colbung. Lower South West — best Miletis, Mugavin, Masters.

FRIDAY, JULY 22

A GRADE:

Central Great Southern 14.18 b Eastern Districts 7.11.
Central Great Southern — goals Pearce 4; best Pearce, Trevaskis, White. Eastern Districts — best Hooper, Doyle, Hancock.

North Pilbara 21.7 b Great Northern 5.13.
North Pilbara — Sparks, O'Malley, Valenta 4; best Collie, Sparks, O'Malley.

South West 12.8 b Upper Great Southern 10.11.
South West — best Lewis, Gibson, Eaton. Upper Great Southern — goals Coles 4; best Slater, Barton, Kane.

Goldfields 20.14 b Central Australia 9.13.
Goldfields — goals Hawkins 5; best O'Loughlin, Kemp, Taylor. Central Australia — best Muldoon, White, Duncan.

B GRADE:

Avon 29.20 b Ongerup 4.3.
Avon — goals Jackamarra 10; best Rogers, Orr, Smith. Ongerup — best Jolley, Smith, McDonald.

Central Wheatbelt 21.9 b Central Midlands 6.13.
Central Wheatbelt — goals Inman 5; best Menegola, Henry, Miguel. Central Midlands — best Shea, Just, Helliwell.

North Midlands 17.19 b Lower South West 6.8.
North Midlands — goals Mallard 8; best Mallard, Broad, Spencer. Lower South West — best East, Mugavin, Masters.

Southern Districts 19.26 b Mortlock 13.8.
Southern Districts — goals Wynne 5; best Jones, Crabb, Taylor, Mortlock — best M. King, Lee, B. King.

GRAND FINALS
Sunday, July 24

A GRADE:

NORTH PILBARA 6.2 8.3 10.5 12.7 (79) d GOLDFIELDS 1.0 3.1 5.2 5.4 (34)
BEST: NORTH PILBARA: Mark Hodgson, Kevin Mitchell, Paul Collie, Ric Hockey, Shaun Valenta, John Dart. GOLDFIELDS: Glen O'Loughlin, Ric Harris, George Ford, Mick Garbin, Rod McDougall.
GOALS: NORTH PILBARA: Hockey 5, Sparks 3, Valenta 3, Hodgson 1. GOLDFIELDS: Lee 3, Harper 1, Adam 1, Hawkins 1.

B GRADE:

Avon 19.18 b North Midlands 7.6.
Avon — goals Fitzgerald 6, Smith 2; best Rogers, Fitzgerald, Smith. North Midlands — goals Capwell 3; best Dick, Johnson, Barker.

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MILESTONES are common in all sports, particularly football.

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It has been estimated that his role as a trainer with the Busselton Football Club has seen him in action at 805 matches spread over 16 years.

After working as an "apprentice" trainer for his father Bill, Arthur took up the role of head trainer with Busselton in 1972 and did the job till the end of the 1987 season when he opted for a break.

His responsibilities covered the clubs three grades — league, reserves and colts — which often meant a 12-hour day on Sundays, especially when Busselton played away at venues like Collie or Harvey.

Not satisfied with his Sunday work, Arthur built a special workroom alongside his house and it was not uncommon to see six or eight players lined up for treatment any night after work.

He never turned anybody down regardless of whether it was a football injury or not. And his talents as a trainer were not restricted to Busselton players, with footballers from surrounding towns heading to his home for treatment.

On match days, Arthur would leave home around 8am, especially if the Magpies were playing away and he often returned home well after dark — only to find a couple of injured players already waiting there for him.

In 1973 he was awarded Busselton's Football Clubman of the Year award and was honoured with life membership in 1983.

A Busselton barber, Arthur obviously enjoys talking football all day and its pretty easy to find a sporting topic to chat over during a haircut session.

Each week Westside Football will feature an article on a person who devotes time and effort to football.

At the end of the season a panel of judges will select the State's leading male or female personality ... who will win a trip to England and Ireland courtesy of Permanent Investment Building Society and Westside Football (accompanying the North Fremantle Amateur Football Club, who are making an end-of-season trip).

North Pilbara Football League

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North Pilbara put icing on the cake

THE 1988 Wesfarmers Country Championships signified a swing in football power from rural areas to mining centres.

by **DENIS HEANEY**

The A-grade grand final saw two new teams contest the premership honours — with North Pilbara taking out the title convincingly over the Goldfields.

In a high-standard game played in atrocious conditions, North Pilbara won 12.7 to 5.4 to cap a meteoric rise to the top of country football.

The Pilbara team had won the B-grade championship last year at their first attempt and are now unbeaten in two years of Wesfarmers football.

Football power has also returned to the Goldfields, who have been erratic in their carnival appearances for the past two decades.

However, after winning the B-grade title in 1986, they confirmed their improvement by reaching this year's grand final.

TOUGHER

The previous football power bases of Great Northern and South West found tougher opposition this year and even though the South West side were unbeaten, their percentage was not high enough for them to reach the grand final.

North Pilbara produced a powerful first quarter to open up a match-winning 32-point lead at the first break.

The Goldfields opened well and scored the first goal through the agency of former Claremont and State ruckman Baden Harper.

However, North Pilbara, with Russell Sparks proving a constant danger and Shaun Valenta marking spectacularly at full-forward, worked themselves into a strong position at quarter-time.

Their position was strengthened early in the second term when livewire rover Ric Hockey kicked two goals and heavy rain started to fall, providing players from both sides with trying conditions.

Wesfarmers general manager Peter Wesley congratulates Clayton Lewis.

THE Jock Coleman trophy for the fairest and best player in the A section was awarded to Clayton Lewis, of South West. Lewis has played for a variety of clubs including Claremont, East Perth, the Goldfields, Southern Districts and the South West. Lewis won the Bud Byfield trophy for the fairest and best player in the B Section in 1981, representing South West.

However, Goldfields, with Glen O'Loughlin and Rod McDougall prominent, continued to battle gamely but were unable to reduce the deficit and still trailed by 32 points at half-time.

North Pilbara were being well served by midfielders Paul Collie and Kevin Mitchell, who showed flashes of the form displayed by his more illustrious brother Michael and these two provided their forwards with ample opportunities.

During the third quarter the Goldfields had more than their fair share of the ball and though they were in attack for the most of the quarter it was only a brilliant snap goal by Brett Lee late in the term that enbled them to share the honours and they trailed by 33 points as the sides turned for home.

DOMINANT

Brilliant sunshine greeted the players at the start of the final term and Pilbara ruckman Mark Hodgson, who had played strongly, continued to dominate the bounce downs and gathered kicks all over the ground.

All-star player Mike Cleary, who had come on to the ground in the second half, continually drove the ball forward and when Ric Hockey posted his fifth goal the result was beyond doubt.

PREVIOUS MEDALLISTS

A-section "Fairest and Best"

JOCK COLEMAN TROPHY

1965 — C. Davis (Eastern Dist.)
1966 — F. Copeman (Eastern Dist.)
1967 — G. Spalding (Lower Sth. West)
1968 — D. Doyle (Corrigin)
1969 — G. Fenner (Avon)
1970 — N. Slater (Central Midlands)
1971 — R. King (South West)
1972 — T. Wade (Great Northern)
1973 — T. House (South West)
1974 — L. Craven (South West)
1975 — M. Kennedy (South West)
1976 — B. Crouch (Central Midlands)
1977 — L. Baker (South West)
1978 — G. Wheeler (Avon)
1979 — P. Dawson (South West)
1980 — R. Bentley (Great Northern)
1981 — M. O'Mally (Eastern Districts)
1982 — K. Fancote (Avon)
1983 — P. Cook (Eastern Districts)
1984 — M. Morris (Avon)
1985 — Tom Pearce (Central Great Southern)
1986 — John Bellotti (Central Great Southern)
1987 — John Sims (Great Northern)
1988 — Clayton Lewis (South West)

B-section "Fairest and Best"

BUD BYFIELD TROPHY

1965 — V. O'Meara (Dampier)
1966 — G. Gooding (Dumbleyung-Lake Grace
1967 — R. Ayre (Dampier)
1968 — Tie: A. Walling (Hills); S. Narrier (Central Mid.)
1969 — Tie: T. Ward (Dumbleyung-Lake Grace); T. Romaro (Central Mid.)
1970 — J. Robinson (Hills)
1971 — R. Scott (Southern Districts)
1972 — S. Agar (North Midlands)
1973 — P. Mincherton (Mortlock)
1974 — C. Miller (Cent. Gt. Southern)
1975 — A. Kennedy (Goldfields)
1976 — M. Slater (Mortlock)
1977 — R. Watkins (Cent. Wheatbelt)
1978 — M. Smith (Southern District)
1979 — K. Hart (Eastern District)
1980 — P. Smith (Mortlock)
1981 — C. Lewis (Southern District)
1982 — R. Lawrence (Central Midlands)
1983 — M. King (Mortlock)
1984 — L. Dwyer (Southern Districts)
1985 — S. Wynn-Taylor (Murray Districts)
1986 — Stewart Egan (Goldfields)
1987 — Gilbert McAdam (Central Australia)
1988 — Todd Menegola (Central Wheatbelt)

North Midlands Football League

Runners-up B Division

Wesfarmers Country Championships 1988

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COUNTRY ROUND-UP

Country news and information can be sent to Westside Football FAX 275 1405.

SAINTS ARE RIDING HIGH

AFTER round 13 of matches in the Fortescue League, Saints are firm premiership favourites with a well-deserved 37-point win over Tigers.

In the game played at Paraburdoo, Saints handled the extremely windy conditions far better than the visitors.

With Kim Kermode playing his 50th game for the side, Saints showed far more determination to win the ball, had a more systematic approach in the forward line, and their defence, led by Lee Hutton, were clearly on top.

Saints should have had the game sewn up by half-time, but scoring with the breeze was due more to good luck than good play or judgment and this killed the game as a spectacle.

After half-time Tigers made positional changes and showed more endeavour with the breeze.

Their smaller players gained the ascendancy and at the last change the margin had been reduced to one point.

TWO-GAME LEAD

With the breeze in the last quarter, Saints took charge to take the points easily and establish a two-game lead on the table.

They are now assured that the second semi-final will be played on their home ground at Paraburdoo.

In the early game at Tom Price, Demons registered their fourth win for the season with a convincing 54-point margin over Hill.

In the late game at Tom Price, Towns, with Greg Dellosantina back in the side and playing with his usual strength, easily beat the disappointing Centrals by 91 points.

To win the premiership, Towns will need Dellosantina and Wayne Watkins in their side and playing well.

Centrals veteran Sandy Riseley played his 200th Fortescue League game — a magnificent achievement.

However, his team has dropped from early premiership favourites to a situation of having won only one game in their last five and that was over bottom team Hill.

In next Sunday's games, Tigers will be out to redeem some lost prestige, and should beat Demons at Paraburdoo. At Tom Price Saints should be too strong for Centrals and in the late game Towns should have a percentage booster over Hill.

South West League

	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
South Bunbury	13	-	1974	747	264.2	52
Carey Park	11	2	2009	912	220.2	44
Bunbury	9	4	1445	1005	143.7	36
Harvey-Bruns	8	5	1197	1280	93.5	32
Busselton	7	6	1200	1258	95.3	28
Donnybrook	6	7	1104	1372	80.4	24
Mines Rovers	5	8	1232	1394	88.3	20
Aug-Marg River	3	10	988	1542	64.0	12
Boyanup-Capel	2	11	929	1900	48.8	8
Collie	1	12	907	1575	57.5	4

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Southern Districts League

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
ROYALS	14	13	1	1543	734	210.22	52
N. MT BARKER	14	9	5	1176	843	139.50	36
S. MT BARKER	14	7	7	1046	1162	90.02	28
N. ALBANY	14	7	7	999	1180	84.66	28
Railways	14	6	8	1124	966	116.36	24
Denmark	14	-	14	572	1575	36.32	-

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Ongerup Football Association

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Ongerup	11	10	1	1294	723	40	178.97
Newdegate	11	9	2	1711	561	36	304.99
Jerramungup	11	9	2	1617	783	36	206.51
Kent	11	6	5	1343	1105	24	121.53
Gnowangerup	11	5	6	1176	1103	20	106.61
Pingrup	11	2	9	722	1699	8	45.43
Boxwood Hill	11	2	9	709	1672	8	42.40
Borden	11	1	10	550	1557	4	35.32

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Central Wheatbelt

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Mukinbudin	11	10	1	1313	685	191.7	40
Bencubbin	11	10	1	1484	864	171.6	40
Koorda	11	7	4	1855	847	159.9	28
Beacon	11	7	4	1192	875	136.2	28
Southern Cross	11	5	6	1204	1167	103.2	20
Nungarin	11	2	9	706	1229	57.4	8
Towns	11	2	9	825	1443	57.2	8
Kalannie	11	1	10	650	1533	42.2	4

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	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Munglinup	9	6	3	1154	745	154.89	24
Tigers	8	6	2	857	817	104.89	24
Southerners	9	4	5	746	1001	74.52	16
Lakes	8	1	7	651	844	77.13	4

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Fortescue League

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Saints	13	11	2	1494	818	182.64	44
Tigers	13	9	4	1507	1101	136.87	36
Centrals	13	8	5	1524	1124	135.58	32
Towns	13	7	6	1387	1269	109.29	28
Demons	13	4	9	851	1431	59.46	16
Hill	13	-	13	576	1639	35.14	-

North Pilbara League

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Pts
Falcons	13	11	2	-	1673	1121	149.24	44
Rovers	13	8	4	1	1377	1239	111.14	34
Karratha	13	7	5	1	1414	1291	109.53	30
Dampier	13	6	7	-	1198	1312	94.31	24
Sth Hedland	13	5	8	-	1310	1406	93.17	20
Wickham	13	1	12	-	1153	1756	65.66	4

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Central Midlands

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Dalwallinu	12	11	1	1563	603	259	44
Dandaragan	12	8	4	1361	885	153	32
Warriors	12	8	4	1387	911	152	32
Rovers	12	5	7	1085	1107	98	28
Watheroo	12	2	10	950	1439	66	8
Bindi Milling	12	-	12	486	1845	26	-

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A roundup of news from the West Australian Amateur Football League

Wes Grant sinks his old side

FORMER Wembley wingman Wes Grant was the downfall of his old side when he set up many attacking moves to help Mt Lawley run out 10-point victors at last Saturday's A-grade games.

by TREVOR SCHORER

Grant was in fine touch, as were many players on both sides despite the atrocious conditions.

Mt Lawley gained excellent service from Brad Dunn, Ross Bell and the highly-skilled Gerard Kearney, as well as the solid Leigh Sprlyan.

Wembley players to do well were Grant Ryan, Robbie Callaghan, Kevin Symonds, Greg Metcalf and goalkicking machine Rod Alderton.

Trinity-Aquinas had to extract all of their resources to eventually overcome a relentless North Beach and win by 24 points.

The ex-scholars can thank back pocket Terry Pendall, who was best on ground, repelling North Beach attacking moves with monotonous regularity.

Pendall was well backed up by winger Dominic Dwyer, Hamish Valentine, Gavan Power, Mark Shaw and Shaun Brown, who rucked tirelessly without a break.

BEST

North Beach's best players were Buttel, Watts and backman Clive Mitchell who was close to Terry Pendall for the honour of best on ground.

West Coast kicked themselves out of contention when they missed many opportunities and went down to Scarborough by 19 points.

Once again it was the older players for the Coasters in Osborne, Allen and veteran Steve Leishman who were the main contributors.

Old Wesley had to work hard to down a determined North Fremantle by a mere 13 points.

Gerry Hunt combined with Cummins and Spalding to ensure that Old Wesley were going to steal third spot on the premiership table by winning this match.

North were well served by Peter Royle, Drew Herrington and strongman Jeff Shea, who revelled in the conditions.

CLOSER

University took a step closer to fifth spot when they downed Nollamara, who hold that position on the table by 21 points.

University, despite the intense physical pressure, concentrated on the ball and must now be seen as a finals contender.

Nollamara have all sorts of problems with injuries and suspensions and will rely heavily on their second side, who have been in good form lately in C-Grade.

Best for University were Sawle, Hindle and Newine, while for Nollarma Bresser, Moffatt and Chris White were their side's top performers.

RESULTS

DETAILS — A-GRADE

RESULTS AT A GLANCE:
Mt Lawley 8.13 d Wembley 7.9
Trinity-Aquinas 10.12 d North Beach 7.6
Scarborough 8.5 d West Coast 4.10
Old Wesley 6.9 d North Fremantle 4.8
University 10.10 d Nollamara 7.7

THIS WEEK'S FIXTURES:
Nollamara v Mt Lawley, Des Penman Res.
Old Wesley v University, Lathlain Park.
Scarborough v N. Fremantle, Millendon Res.
Wembley v Trinity-Aquinas, Perth Oval.
West Coast v North Beach, City Beach Oval.

This week Nollamara face Mt Lawley, with the Hawks looking too storng, Scarborough should beat North Fremantle, North Beach have West Coast's measure, while Old Wesley will have to work hard to beat University.

The game of the round this week is between Trinity-Aquinas and Wembley at Perth Oval, with the college team appearing to have too much class.

OUR OFFICE

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Colts side prove too strong

THE WAAFL State colts side acquitted themselves well by beating the Central Great Southern Football League under-19s last Sunday.

Played as a curtain-raiser to the finals of the 1988 Wesfarmers Country Football Championships at Claremont Oval, the more experienced amateur side won 14.12 to 4.5.

Central Great Southern coach Neil Ballard was proud of his young team's effort as they played a number of 15-year-old and took the game right up to the amatuers in the second term.

WA colts coach Alan Langer stirred his team up at half-time and they scored 5.6, holding the opposition scoreless.

Best players for the WAAFL were Philip Bardon, Bradley Cope, Simon Quayle, Paul Piggett, Dion Smith and Mark Strahan.

Best for Central Great Southern were Dennis Henderson, Brendon Hendry, Vincent Pickett, Scott Whitmore, Darren Ballard and Stuart Smith.

Both coaches produced highly-competitive teams and such colts fixtures are an excellent way to maintain, develop and foster young players.

The CGS side were the under-19 champions at the recent Great Southern carnival.

Amateurs Colts	4.2	6.4	11.10	14.12	96
CGS Under-19s	0.2	3.4	3.4	4.5	29

GOALS: AMATEURS: Ness 5, Cope 3, Bardon 2, Coleman 2, Hayward 1, Demmler 1. CGS: Quartermaine 3, Hendry 1.

HIGHLIGHTS

A COLTS: Nollamara went one step closer to playing off in the finals by beating University in a thriller at Lathlain Park.

University cut back a three-goal deficit at three-quarter-time to lose by only one point in the dying minutes.

Nollamara have a hard run home, playing Trinity Aquinas, North Beach and Mt Lawley (all currently in the five), but their form suggests they have the ability to upset those sides and be a force in the finals.

University play Old Wesley, Scarborough and North Fremantle (7th, 8th and 9th on the ladder) but cannot afford to lose any of those games.

B GRADE: Maylands upset Mt Lawley by two points at Inglewood Oval, but have left their run a little late with only four rounds to be played.

Mt Lawley currently fifth hold a four-game break over sixth-placed Curtin and have an easier run home, playing only two sides above them.

Curtin must contend with third-placed Bayswater, fourth-placed CBC and, second side Swan Athletic.

The final five should not change in this grade with Innaloo being hot favourites to take the flag.

DOUBLE CHANCE

D GRADE: The fight is on between Wembley and Mundaring for third position on the ladder and the double chance in the finals.

Mundaring drew even with the Magpies last Saturday when they defeated them by 29 points.

With both sides playing the bottom half of the ladder in the final three games, it will come down to a percentage battle.

Fifth spot is also up for grabs with only one game separating Brentwood and Northbridge AICA.

Both teams play the top two sides over the next three weeks.

However, Northbridge play bottom side Forrestfield in the final game while Brentwood must defeat third-placed Wembley to stay in the five.

STRANGLEHOLD

C GRADE: Cockburn Lakes took a one game break at the top of the ladder when they defeated Morley at Anning Park. Morley dropped from second to fourth as both Lynwood/Ferndale and University won and have a greater percentage.

Percentage also separates fifth side Nollamara and sixth-placed Bassendean. Nollamara could lose their position in the five over the next three weeks, having to play Lynwood and Morley, while Bassendean plays Carlisle (10th) and Coolbinia Yokine (8th).

E GRADE: While the top four places on the ladder look reasonably secure, the final spot is a do-or-die battle between St Norberts and University.

SOCIAL SPOT

SATURDAY, JULY 30

THE Maylands Football Club will hold a Life Members Night to honour the club's two newest life members, Alan Clement and Mark Pinzone. All club life members and past players are welcome.

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THE Nollamara Football Club will hold their annual Talent Night on August 13 at the Hillarys Boat Harbour, Sorrento Quay.

The night will start at 7pm and the cost is $10 per head, which includes supper.

All supporters (and friends) are welcome.

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NORTH Beach are inviting all past players and officials to contact club stalwart Perry King (444 2183 (H), 362 1555 (W)) with details of their current whereabouts.

The club is currently arranging several big functions to celebrate the 25th anniversary of their foundation (1964) and their 25th anniversary in amateurs (1965) next season.

INFORMATION REQUIRED

Information on game scores, best players, goal scorers and how your game was won or lost is required between 9-10 Sunday mornings:

A1-grade - Trevor Schorer — Phone 276 7171
B1 grade - Peter Rush — Phone 277 2260
Other grades - Dave Eggleston — Phone 342 8749

Uni have the easier games to the end of the season, however St Norberts have a lot of talent and a greater percentage and could cause an upset over the next three games.

R&I should hold onto top spot, while second position will be fought out between Hamersley and Trinity-Aquinas when they play each other in Round 17.

F GRADE: Innaloo's No. 2 took a firm grip on fifth spot by defeating Dianella to give them a two-game break.

However, they must play three teams directly above them in the final three games. Dianella have one easy game coming up, but have a lot of percentage to make up on Innaloo.

H GRADE: Mt Lawley dropped out of the final five when they went down to North Beach.

Fourth and fifth spot on the ladder could go to any of three sides in West Coast, Mt Lawley or North Beach as only percentage separates them.

They play each other over the final three rounds.

Swanbourne/Nedlands will hold onto top spot while Wembley should maintain second position on percentage.

Maylands hung on desperately to beat West Coast by three points and consolidate their position in the top three.

Dave Callanan was prominent, both on the ball and up forward, while Darren Emmett was a useful ruckrover. Other contributors for the Rams were Rod Lee, Bob Purvis, Don Narrier, Alan Rumble and explosive backman Peter Campbell.

L GRADE: Nollamara No. 4 could still make fifth spot despite their loss to Sawyers Valley.

Still one game out of the five, they should manage to beat Coolbellup next week and return to finals contention, playing sides in the bottom half of the ladder in the last two games.

Carlisle are safe in top spot, while Bull Creek, Wanneroo and Ocean Ridge should maintain their second, third and fourth positions.

History search

THE WA Amateur Football League is compiling a history of its activities.

Management members John Davies and Ken Finch are asking former players, officials, clubs (past and present) with any photographs, results (especially finals), premiership tables, fixture books, etc. in the pre-1980 era to contact the League office on 382 1799, or either John 445 2485 (wk) 447 3774 (h) or Ken 451 7312 (h).

All information will be returned immediately after any documents or photos are copied.

INVITATION
Come and see the evergreen Bluey Watson in action at Carlisle Reserve 2.30pm Saturday, 6th August, 1988.

The "L" Grade Cougars (top of the ladder) v's Riverton (improvers)

Does President Gary (Stykers) Stickman still play? Is it true that Rick Tyers still uses drop kicks? Is captain coach John Manuel really older than Bluey? Will Ray (Sherro) Sheridan survive his 11th comeback? Can Roy (Bam Bam) Bamford kick another 13 goals?

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MAYLANDS PRODUCE STIRRING VICTORY

by PETER RUSH

INSPIRED by a superb display from Ossie Dikolli, Maylands came from 18-points down at three-quarter time to beat Mt Lawley by two points.

It was a tough, relentless match played in atrocious conditions and it was a credit to both sides that the game was of a high-standard.

Dikolli revelled in the quagmire in the centre of the ground to be a driving force for the Rams.

Garry Sidebottom used his experience in both the forward line and the ruck, while Harley Hayward, Gary Mawdesley, Gary McNamara and lively forward Adam Yates all contributed.

Bayswater moved into the top three after destroying an injury-depleted Swan Athletic by 17 goals.

The Blues ambushed Swan Athletic with an eight-goal first quarter and followed up by outscoring the Swans in every quarter, finishing off with a seven goal last term.

The Blues have hit form at the right time and with players of the calibre of brilliant rover John Lawrence, opportunist Denis Roberts, Glen England, Rod Harrison and Peter Ninyette, coach Kevin McGinnity has the team that could finally give him a B-grade premiership.

Innaloo had to work hard to defeat a gallant Curtin by 18 points in conditions more suitable to swimming than football at South Oval.

Glen Kettlewell was again prominent at centre-half-back and had plenty of support from brother Craig, who was elusive and creative in a ruck-roving role Norm Wirth also contributed for the Bulldogs.

The Tigers had many good players and among their best were Dave Fowler, Tim Reynolds, Phil Hopewell, Brendan Taylor and John Duffy.

Dianella put a dent in CBC's premiership aspirations with an upset seven-point win.

ASSURED

Collegians Old Scotch almost assured themselves of B-grade status next year by defeating MHWP by 24 points. The loss leaves the Mounties 1½ games clear at the bottom of the ladder and unless they can produce a miracle, they will be mixing it in C-grade next year.

This week's matches see CBC play Bayswater in the battle for third spot. The Blues are the form side and should win.

Innaloo are keen to repay Mt Lawley for beating them in the last round and should do so.

In other games, Dianella can beat Curtin; an injury-hit Swan Athletic will find MHWP desperate for survival and Maylands play Collegians Old Scotch at Gibney Reserve.

Past Reflections by JOHN DAVIES

AT the start of 1948 W. R. Orr continued his 26th unbroken association with amateurs being elected patron.

New clubs affiliated were Shenton Park and South Fremantle.

The season opened on May 1, with 14 qualifying matches.

Central umpires were paid $2.10 ($4.20 grand final); boundary umpires 50c ($1 in finals) and goal umpires 50c in finals.

Change of club names occurred with Interbanks (formerly Commonwealth Bank) to Banks and Mt Lawley to Inglewood-Mt Lawley.

There were three divisions, A division, with B division Eastern Section and B division Western Section.

Clubs were encouraged to have their boundary umpires dressed in white knickers and white shirt and provided with either a whistle or a handkerchief for signalling to the central umpire.

The Amateur Football Council Carnival began on Saturday, August 7, opened by the Lieut. Governor Sir James Mitchell.

A division teams hosted Victoria; B Eastern Division hosted South Australia, while Tasmania were looked after by B Division Western.

University successfully moved that all costs associated with match fees paid (i.e. ground hire, umpires fees and ambulance officers) for the season be calculated and divided equally between all affiliated clubs.

A minimum of one fifth to be paid before the 1st of May, June, July, August and September.

Scarborough players celebrate their win over West Coast, which saved their relegation to B-grade.

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	P	W	L	F	A	%	PTS
A GRADE							
TRINITY AQUINAS	14	13	1	1528	965	158.34	52
MT LAWLEY	14	11	3	1304	1031	126.48	44
OLD WESLEY	14	10	4	1345	1026	131.09	40
WEMBLEY	14	9	5	1335	1034	129.11	36
NOLLAMARA	14	7	7	1268	1114	113.82	28
University	14	6	8	1313	1346	97.55	24
North Beach	14	4	10	1218	1435	84.88	16
Scarborough	14	4	10	978	1396	70.06	16
West Coast	14	3	11	1084	1501	72.22	12
North Fremantle	14	3	11	931	1459	63.81	12
B GRADE							
INNALOO	14	12	2	1503	1013	148.37	48
SWAN ATHLETIC	14	11	3	1373	1109	123.81	44
BAYSWATER	14	10	4	1676	1107	151.40	40
CBC	14	10	4	1357	1065	127.42	40
MT LAWLEY	14	8	6	1278	1195	106.95	32
Dianella	14	5	9	1059	1267	83.58	20
Curtin	14	4	9	970	1331	72.88	18
Maylands	14	4	10	1225	1460	83.90	16
Coll/Old Scotch	14	3	10	1082	1480	73.11	14
MHWP	14	2	12	1112	1608	69.15	8
C GRADE							
COCKBRN LAKES	15	13	2	2033	1149	176.94	52
LYNWOOD/FERND	15	12	3	1521	854	178.10	48
UNIVERSITY	15	12	3	1700	1053	161.44	48
MORLEY	15	12	3	1599	1186	134.82	48
NOLLAMARA	15	7	8	1267	1268	98.52	28
Bassendean	15	7	8	1303	1640	79.45	28
Whitfords	15	5	10	1158	1304	88.80	20
Coolbinia/Yokine	15	5	10	1271	1623	78.31	20
Melville	15	1	14	935	1611	58.04	4
Carlisle	15	1	14	905	1998	45.30	4
D GRADE							
ROCKINGHAM	15	13	2	1460	991	147.33	52
WACAE	15	10	5	1621	1178	137.61	40
WEMBLEY	15	9	6	1369	1107	123.67	36
MUNDARING	15	9	6	1451	1279	113.45	36
BRENTWOOD	15	9	6	1298	1181	109.91	36
North AICA	15	8	7	1303	1401	93.00	32
Scarborough	15	6	8	1045	1145	91.27	26
Northbeach	15	4	11	1167	1333	87.55	16
Applecross	15	3	11	1038	1622	64.00	14
Forrestfield	15	3	12	1095	1600	68.44	12

	P	W	L	F	A	%	PTS
E GRADE							
R&I	15	11	3	1665	1071	155.46	46
HAMERSLEY	15	11	4	1556	1144	136.01	44
TRINITY/AQUINAS	15	10	4	1536	853	180.07	42
BULLSBROOK	15	10	5	1675	1097	152.69	40
ST NORBETTS	15	8	7	1448	1281	113.04	32
University	15	7	8	1220	1423	85.73	28
Hellenic	15	6	8	1346	1609	83.65	26
National Bank	15	5	10	1038	1480	70.14	20
Mt Lawley	15	3	12	999	1526	65.47	12
Victoria Park	15	2	13	874	1873	46.66	10
F GRADE							
SAWYERS VALLEY	15	13	2	1547	843	183.51	52
WEST COAST	15	13	2	1549	900	172.11	52
JOHN XXIII	15	11	4	1450	1185	122.36	44
OLD WESLEY	15	10	5	1458	1094	133.27	40
INNALOO	15	8	7	1433	1186	120.83	32
Dianella	15	6	9	1185	1423	83.27	24
Coolbellup	15	6	9	1176	1444	81.44	24
MHWP	15	5	10	995	1389	71.63	20
North Fremantle	15	5	10	995	1389	71.63	20
Nollamara	15	1	14	898	1681	53.42	4
G GRADE							
BAYSWATER	15	11	4	1744	963	181.10	44
COLL/OLD SCOT	15	11	4	1522	978	155.62	44
WANNEROO	15	10	5	1568	1234	127.07	40
REDCLIFFE	15	10	5	1345	1082	124.31	40
GIRRAWHEEN	15	9	6	1492	1123	132.86	36
Ocean Ridge	15	8	7	1730	1099	157.42	32
CBC	15	7	8	1237	1451	85.25	28
Navy	15	5	10	964	1684	57.24	20
Muresk	15	2	13	662	1423	46.52	8
Whitfords	15	2	13	772	1850	41.73	8
H GRADE							
SWAN/NEDLANDS	15	13	2	1614	874	184.67	52
WEMBLEY	15	12	3	1639	845	183.96	48
MAYLANDS	15	10	5	1528	1211	126.18	40
WEST COAST	15	9	6	1510	1007	149.95	36
NORTH BEACH	15	9	6	1493	1108	134.75	36
Mt Lawley	15	9	6	1142	1183	96.53	36
Bassendean	15	8	7	1380	1118	123.43	32
Curtin	15	3	12	776	1713	45.30	12
East Fremantle	15	1	14	982	1814	54.13	4
Carlisle	15	1	14	783	1934	40.49	4

	P	W	L	F	A	%	PTS
I GRADE							
RIVERTON	15	14	1	1820	800	227.50	56
UNIVERSITY	15	14	1	1815	1089	166.67	56
LYNWOOD/FERN	15	11	4	1684	1143	142.96	44
SWAN ATHLETIC	15	7	8	1480	1324	111.78	28
MIRRABOOKA	15	6	9	1397	1548	90.25	24
Bullcreek	15	5	10	1212	1471	82.39	20
North Fremantle	15	5	10	1151	1550	74.26	20
RAAF	15	5	10	1014	1469	69.03	20
ANZ	15	4	11	1167	1616	72.22	16
Murdoch	15	4	11	1025	1705	60.12	16
J GRADE							
TRINITY AQUINAS	15	10	5	1621	913	177.55	40
MHWP	15	10	5	1315	1048	125.48	40
MORLEY	15	9	6	1381	1161	118.95	36
HAMERSLEY	15	9	6	1498	1293	115.85	36
INNALOO	15	8	7	1429	1274	112.17	32
WACAE	15	8	7	1176	1298	90.60	32
Hamersley	15	2	13	1038	1567	66.24	8
Forrestfield	15	1	14	648	2088	31.03	4
Scarborough	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whitfords	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
K GRADE							
COCKBRN LAKES	15	12	3	1798	867	207.38	48
COOLBLP/YOKINE	15	12	3	1838	966	190.27	48
ROCKINGHAM	15	12	3	1881	1041	180.69	48
BAYSWATER	15	11	4	1736	979	177.32	44
COLL/OLD SCTCH	15	10	5	1742	1313	132.67	40
West Coast	14	7	7	1264	1200	105.33	28
Applecross	15	4	11	1027	1839	55.86	16
Dianella	15	4	11	882	1868	47.22	16
Bassendean	12	3	9	1050	1287	81.59	12
Melville	15	-	15	560	2069	27.07	-
L GRADE							
CARLISLE	15	14	1	1779	907	196.14	56
BULLCREEK	15	10	5	1547	1176	131.55	40
WANNEROO	15	9	6	1358	1340	101.34	36
OCEAN RIDGE	15	8	7	1623	1372	118.29	32
COOLBELLUP	15	7	8	1355	1452	93.32	28
Brentwood	15	7	8	1317	1596	82.52	28
Mundaring	15	6	9	1318	1232	106.98	24
Nollamara	15	6	9	1145	1333	85.90	24
Swan Valley	15	4	11	1010	1362	74.16	16
Riverton	15	4	11	1029	1721	59.79	16

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	P	W	L	F	A	%	PTS
A COLTS							
TRINITY AQUINAS	15	15	-	1446	483	299.58	60
MT LAWLEY	15	11	4	1092	728	150.00	44
NORTH BEACH	15	10	5	1157	646	179.10	40
WEMBLEY	15	10	5	1227	723	169.71	40
UNIVERSITY	15	9	6	1154	805	143.35	36
Nollamara	15	8	7	820	962	85.24	32
Old Wesley	15	6	9	684	886	77.20	24
Scarborough	15	5	10	762	901	84.57	20
North Fremantle	15	1	14	422	1560	27.05	4
West Coast	15	-	15	372	1442	25.80	-
B COLTS							
COLL/OLD SCTCH	15	14	1	1614	432	373.61	56
INNALOO	15	11	3	1335	600	222.50	46
MAYLANDS	15	10	5	1132	652	173.62	40
MT LAWLEY	15	9	5	749	903	82.95	38
BAYSWATER	15	8	7	1176	863	136.27	32
Curtin	15	8	7	738	912	80.92	32
Swan Athletic	15	6	9	776	909	85.37	24
CBC	15	4	11	785	1239	63.36	16
MHWP	13	3	10	557	1231	45.25	8
Dianella	15	2	13	442	1353	32.67	8
C COLTS							
CBC	15	14	1	1578	362	435.91	56
LYN/FERNDALE	15	10	4	1111	656	169.36	44
WEMBLEY	15	9	4	1180	768	153.65	40
BASSENDEAN	15	9	5	1126	847	132.94	38
UNIVERSITY	15	9	6	939	695	135.11	36
COOL/YOKINE	15	8	7	987	780	126.54	32
Whitfords	14	6	7	1098	826	132.93	26
Carlisle	15	3	12	509	1379	36.91	12
Morley	14	2	12	480	1325	36.23	8
Melville	14	1	13	348	1605	21.68	4
D COLTS							
FORRESTFIELD	15	13	2	1624	516	314.73	52
APPLECROSS	15	13	2	1508	549	274.68	52
ROCKINGHAM	15	10	5	1413	629	224.64	40
TRINITY AQUINAS	15	9	6	1423	622	228.78	36
WANNEROO	15	5	9	639	1289	49.57	20
John XXIII	15	4	10	634	1129	56.16	18
Hammersley	15	4	11	686	1512	45.37	16
Mundaring	14	1	13	321	1755	18.29	4

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Town and Country Little League

LAST Saturday's winners of the Town and Country Little League were Swan Districts, Subiaco, Claremont and South Fremantle.

Swan Districts were represented by Brunswick and took the points against East Perth (Warren Districts) with Jason Morgan, Symon Forsi and Craig Ferris starring for Swans. Michael Jan Leishaut, Troy Coulthard and Nathan Atwell were the Royals best three.

Subiaco had Wanneroo as their junior club and took the points against East Fremantle (Thornlie). Troy Ralph, Lance Prior and Dane Burnett starred for the home side, while John Armstrong, James Sheldon and Kain Gilbert caught the eye for East Fremantle.

South Fremantle were represented by Rockingham No. 2 and accounted for Perth (Centrals) with Justin Capolliccio, Darryl Western and Ken Tuia catching the eye for Souths. Adam Illingworth, Baron Peake and James Boot were the Sharks best three.

Claremont (Ongerup) took the points against West Perth, who were represented by the Central Wheatbelt.

The junior clubs to represent their League teams this week are East Fremantle (Great Northern), West Perth (Merredin), Swan Districts (Mary's Mount), Claremont (Karrinyup), Subiaco (Northern Districts Blue), East Perth (St Marks), South Fremantle (South Coogee No. 2) and Perth (Canning).

Juniors enjoy the game more

by DENISE MURPHY

YOUNG footballers and their coaches have given almost unanimous support to the modified rules program recommended by the Junior Sport Report and operating in junior councils.

In a recent survey among 255 boys playing in the South Fremantle junior council's 12's teams, 98 per cent said they had enjoyed this year's football playing under modified rules.

Eighty-two per cent said they would continue playing football next year — an encouraging result which WA's Director of Coaching, Dr Brian Douge feels could be a reversal of the current 30 per cent drop-out rate of 13 year-olds.

Dr Douge says that the successful implementation of the modified rules program had attempted to correct the parts of junior football which were believed to cause the high drop-out rates.

These included the lack of enjoyment of the game, perceived unfair treatment by coaches and umpires and a lack of enjoyment of training.

As part of a pilot coaches monitoring scheme in the South Fremantle Junior Council 12's teams, players were asked to complete the questionnaire, without the influence of coaches or parents.

Of the 255 boys, 253 completed the questionnaire independently and within the 10-minute time allotment.

MODIFIED

All boys had competed in a South Fremantle zone carnival day at Rockingham, where, for the first time in the junior sport community, the 12's demonstrated the full modified rules program recommended by the Junior Sport Report.

The teams played for skill development and for fun — not premiership points or trophies.

Part of the program required juniors to use their non-preferred kicking side for a whole half of the game. In the questionnaire, 36 per cent said they enjoyed this aspect and 62 per cent said they did not.

Dr Douge said the result was largely dependent on the coach's attitude to his players using their non-preferred sides.

It was clear that where a coach approved of this particular skill training, his players reported their enjoyment.

Another pleasing result was the overwhelming indication that the 12's are enjoying all aspects of the game, 97 per cent said they looked forward to the game each week and 76 per cent said modified rules made their football a friendly game.

In addition, 94 per cent said they were treated fairly by their coach and 73 per cent reported they were treated fairly by the umpire.

Dr Douge said that in the past, the percentage of boys who believed they were not treated fairly by their coaches had been as high as 30 per cent.

All but two of the coaches in the South Fremantle Junior Council had given their total commitment to the coaches monitoring scheme which hopefully will be implemented in all Junior Councils.

MAJORITY

Tom Hanrahan, coach of Kardinia 12's, has been co-ordinating the monitoring scheme, reporting favourably on the majority of coaches taking part, with instances of swapping players midway through games to ensure more balanced teams.

There had been occasional bad reports of coaches undermining the Code of Conduct specified by the Junior Sport Report.

There were isolated incidents of a coach demonstrating to his 12's team how to bump an opposing player with a raised elbow and repeatedly screaming abuse to his players from the sidelines.

"Some coaches are still suggesting to the boys that they are not there for fun and employ strategies outside the spirit of the game, in order to win," Dr Douge said.

"Our next step, given that the monitoring scheme is acceptable to all coaches, will be to encourage those particular coaches not to coach."

Schoolboys show strength

THE 1988 State schoolboys team had a thrilling clash with Trinity College last Saturday in the first of a number of practice matches leading up to this year's championship.

The game was played in atrocious wet-weather conditions, which helped simulate the wet and heavy ovals they will face in Hobart.

The schoolboys won the low-scoring encounter by four points, 6.9 to 6.5.

Dean Brunton (Mirrabooka) was best-on-ground and other good players were Anton Knezevich, Neil Munroe and Chris Peel.

On Monday, the schoolboys played Warwick High School and again showed that they are a strong force by accounting for the Quit Cup finalists by 20 points, 8.2 to 4.6.

Teal Cup representative Glen Jakovich was best-on-ground with Alan Andrews, Troy Foote and Knezevich contributing strongly.

The schoolboys team has a good mixture of size, strength and skill and these lead-up matches will greatly assist the side to win back-to-back championships in Hobart from August 19.

Koonga to honour their founders

THE Koonga Valley Junior Football Club plans to honour four of their foundation members. Former Westside Football writer and now secretary of the Southern Districts League at Albany, Gary Bartholomuez, along with two former presidents, Bob Hutchinson and Dave Jones and his wife Glenyce will receive life membership. The club was formed in 1977 and the presentation to the four will be made on their annual trophy day.

Schools finals should be tight

Jason Walker ... captain of the Warwick Quit Cup team.

THE 1988 Quit Cup schools series has reached the finals, which will be played as curtain-raisers to the Eagles-Melbourne clash at Subiaco Oval this Sunday.

The first game at 9.25am is between All Saints College and Eastern Hills Senior High School, playing off for the Graham Farmer Division.

In the Barry Cable Division, Warwick Senior High are against Hamilton Senior High in what will be a clash between two of WA's strongest footballing schools, starting at 10.45.

Hamilton, under the eye of experienced coach Brian Grey, won the 1986 CIG Shield with the same students now playing in the Quit Cup final.

Last year Hamilton took off the champion Government school trophy and are keen to repeat the effort this year.

Warwick are also a strong school team beating the highly-rated Girrawheen school on their way to the final.

Both games will be played in 25-minute halves, with the final match due to finish by 11.45am.

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COACHING CLINICS

CLAREMONT will hold football clinics in Albany, Mt Barker and Augusta on August 7, 8 and 9.

Don Pyke, Ben Allan and Grant Povey will travel South with Tigers Development Manager, Ross Luckman, for the clinics.

Luckman will also hold 14 clinics in the metropolitan area over the next four weeks, leading up to the finals, with a number of league players assisting him.

Tigers help out

CLAREMONT league footballers ventured out into the suburbs recently to attend training at junior clubs in their district.

Two league players went to each of the 13 clubs where they conducted a number of drills for the young players.

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The NFL scene

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National Director of Coaching

Local leagues do suffer

AS the troubled, but inevitably expanding VFL competition establishes itself nationally, it is pertinent to reflect on its effect on local leagues.

When the Perth team was formed, considerable research was undertaken to ensure that the WAFL domestic competition was as unaffected as possible by the formation of the West Coast Eagles — hopefully soon to be sensibly re-named "Perth Eagles".

The research projected a defection of up to 33 per cent of supporters to Eagles matches. Devastatingly, the projection was sadly astray, as local crowds have eroded to less than half.

Subsequently, the WAFL clubs have found it difficult to attract sponsorship, as has the league itself.

Apart from the purely financial woes of the WAFL and its clubs, there are the ongoing problems of the player draft and the trafficking of non-selected Eagles players back to their domestic clubs.

Eagles coach John Todd lobbied vociferously for a reserves grade team and this makes good sense as far as the Eagles are concerned.

However, such a concession by the VFL will add two ingredients to an already overcooked stew.

First, a reserves team will significantly add to the cost of conducting the Eagles club — and the overall VFL competition.

INCURSIONS

Second, and more importantly, an Eagles reserves team will make further elite player incursions on an already decimated domestic club scene.

It seems inevitable that the formation of a national competition team virtually sounds the death knell of the local senior State league — given Australians' penchant for only enthusiastically supporting the "best" competition.

In such an atmosphere, the situation in Brisbane must also be of concern.

Given the strength of the rugby codes in that city, it was a matter of pride for Australian Football authorities that the local QAFL competition developed into a viable, well-administered league.

Will the local Brisbane populace progressively desert the QAFL domestic competition as the Bears consolidate? History asserts in the affirmative.

Sydney was also a case in point.

While conceding that the SFL was never in a position of strength, it had carved a niche of hard-core support UNTIL the advent of the Swans.

Now, in spite of various innovations instituted by a concerned SFL administration, the local league struggles desperately to maintain any form of realistic support.

Australian Football in Australia's most populous city has the additional problem of being sited in a State where the highest standard leagues are not situated in the capital city.

Rather, they are in the Riverina — geographically and socially far closer to Victoria.

MINOR GRADES

Perth chairman of selectors Noel Carter ... back in action for the reserves side.

Carter has to bring out the boots again

FOR the second year in succession, veteran Noel Carter has made a forced return to competitive football.

The former South Fremantle champion has played several reserves games for Perth this season due to the high number of injuries at the club.

Carter played reserves football on a regular basis last season in his role as reserves coach.

This year Carter is chairman of selectors at Perth and by playing reserves he at least gets a close-up look at the performance of the young players.

Carter's form has been a bonus for the Demons.

He regularly picks up 25 possessions or more during a match and has been among Perth's best several times.

However, Carter has no plans to make a league comeback.

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Sharks rookie opts for study

PROMISING East Fremantle under-19 player Richard Gozzi has temporarily retired from football due to study commitments.

The Lynwood High School student has decided to concentrate on studies and his forthcoming examinations in preference to a football career for the time being.

However, East Fremantle under-19 coach Kerry Coates is confident that Gozzi will return to the club in 1989.

Gozzi showed outstanding skills and is considered a likely prospect by club officials.

At 16 years of age, he has a fine career ahead of him and it would be a waste if he was to hang up his boots for good.

Perth 'rookie' in comeback

BACK in 1984, Peter McKell was tipped as a likely league star of the future.

After a handful of under-19 games, he was promoted straight to the league side by Ian Miller, who was the Demons coach at the time.

However, McKell had problems adjusting to the tempo of league football and finished the season back in the under-19s after just two senior appearances.

Injury and form problems hindered McKell's progress in the next two years and last season he joined Sunday League club Maddington.

His form improved and with injuries a problem at Perth, he recently decided to rejoin his former club.

But injury problems have upset McKell once again and though he showed good form in the reserves, he has been unable to win a league berth.

He is currently recovering from a calf injury and should be back in the reserves within two weeks.

McKell's versatility and skill should guarantee him a spot in Perth's 1989 league training squad and with a full pre-season behind him, he could still fulfill his much heralded early promise.

BEN STINGA reviews the Prime reserves and the Under-19s colts competition

Flu hits the Sharks camp

A SERIOUS influenza epidemic is creating havoc at East Fremantle.

Up to 12 players from the under-19s and reserves have been affected by the virus and with winter hitting hard, there appears no end in sight for the bedridden Sharks.

Fortunately, East Fremantle have a wealth of young talent at their disposal at under-17 and colts level.

No less than 12 under-19 players have been promoted during the crisis, leaving the colts cupboard a little bare in recent weeks — which could explain last week's 62-point drubbing by top side Subiaco last week.

Swans suffer player losses

SWAN Districts have lost 34 players to country, amateur and Sunday League competitions this season and this is having an effect on all grades, particularly the under-19s.

The under-19 side is struggling to field a competitive team each week due to the high number of players promoted to the reserves.

That situation was reversed last week with the emergence of newcomers Richard Dellafranka, Haydn McNamara and Chris Hannan.

All three hail from Mazenod College in the Swan Districts junior council competition.

Dellafranka won the under-16 goal-kicking award last season and appears best suited to a ruck or foward-line role.

McNamara and Hannan are both midfield types with good skills and a useful turn of pace.

MT LAWLEY SURVIVE

MT Lawley easily accounted for Melville in last week's women's football fixtures.

The game was played in appalling conditions with Mt Lawley winning by 46 points, 10.8 to 3.4.

Mt Lawley's Fiona Raven was best-on-ground with Sharon Reid and Bridget Narrier playing well.

Carlisle had a comfortable 57-point victory over Innaloo, 9.14 to 1.5.

Best for Carlisle were Janice Woods, Sharon Woods and Karen Wood, while Marlene Davis and Natasha Davis played well for Innaloo.

Eagles chief on recruiting ploy?

WEST Coast Eagles chief executive Bill Kerr was an interested spectator at last Saturday's rugby union All Blacks clash with the strong NSW side.

Along with Indian Pacific Ltd chairman of directors, Neil Hamilton, Kerr watched the power of the All Blacks — and is now on the lookout for likely Eagles recruits of the same mould.

"They are awesome," said Kerr.

"They are about 6ft. 3in. and weigh 15-stone and can run a hundred in even time.

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IRISH BOYS TO PLAY AT SUBIACO

FOOTBALL, Irish style, comes to Perth on Sunday, August 10 when a special Bicentennial Gaelic-Australian Rules game will be staged at Subiaco Oval.

The curtain-raiser to the Eagles clash with North Melbourne will be a battle between an Irish college team and a combined WA secondary schools side.

A party of 41 people are making the trip to Australia from Ireland, 26 of them are 17-year-olds.

The Irish side is made up of a combined Gaelic football team from the Cork County post primary schools.

West Coast Eagles players Steve Malaxos will coach the WA side, with former East Perth coach Grant Dorrington serving as team manager and official co-ordinator of the event.

The Irish side will be official guests of the North Fremantle Amateur Football Club as they make their visit to Perth for eight days.

While in WA, the Irish team will also travel south to Bunbury for a clash against a combined South West Schoolboys team.

In both matches the round ball will be used, with a mixture of Gaelic and Aussie Rules regulations.

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The rules are the same as those used when All Australians teams played the Irish in official matches after recent football seasons.

The Irish party is led by Dr Donncha MacCathaigh, who is one of the main organisers of the tour.

The team will continue on to Melbourne and will be official guests of the VFL. North Melbourne and Melbourne will play co-hosts to the team.

The tour is an official Bicentennial visit and the North fremantle amateurs will make a return trip to Ireland in October.

The Permanent Investment Building Society is sponsoring the tour and Whim Creek Consolidated have donated jumpers to the touring team.

Sunday FOOTBALL LEAGUE (WA) INC.

SUNDAY SCENE

Bill Wake's weekly round-up of Sunday League matches.

Smith kicks Thornlie to vital victory

BRILLIANT forward Ramon Smith played a lone hand in keeping Thornlie's final-five hopes alive with one of the most outstanding individual performances seen in the Sunday Football League competition.

Smith kicked eight of the Lions nine goals to take his team to an eight-point win, 9.8 to 7.12, over Armadale at Gwynne Park on Sunday.

Playing in atrocious conditions on the water-logged ground, Smith kicked his team's opening four goals in the second term after the Lions had managed just one point in the first quarter.

At one stage he kicked four goals in seven minutes, using a combination of strong marking and intelligent soccering off the ground.

He kicked another four goals in the second half as the Lions grabbed a vital win to put them in sixth spot, one game behind Gosnells.

Thornlie now face Applecross (away) Kelmscott (home) and Maddington (away) and will probably need to win all three games to qualify.

SOUTHERN DERBY

THE 97th Derby between Kelmscott and Armadale will take place this Sunday, with Kelmscott holding the advantage with 50 victories.

The two clubs have played many hard-fought games and though this Sunday's clash has no bearing on the final five, it will still be a close tussle.

Former South Fremantle players Kevin Worthington and Paul Vasoli, coaching Armadale and Kelmscott respectively, will expect no less than a win from their teams.

Bad news for Osborne Park

IT was bad news for Osborne Park fans at Balcatta Reserve when the reigning premiers lost their sixth consecutive game, going down to Canning by 29 points, 14.9 to 9.10.

Osborne Park had a big build-up to this game, but put together only one half of football.

Kicking with the breeze in the third term, the Saints were outscored by Canning, whose coach Peter Bosustow kicked two goals and helped set up a third.

The Saints are facing mothballs for 1988, missing the chance to equal Maddington's record of three consecutive premierships.

Canning now play Kalamunda (home), Mandurah (away) and Applecross (home) and are locked with Thornlie, Gosnells and Kenwick in the battle for fifth position.

BIG MAN OUT

KALAMUNDA badly missed top ruckman Ken Bell when beaten by Maddington in a top-class game at Kalamunda.

Bell was forced to miss the game when he failed to appear as a witness at the SFL tribunal last Tuesday.

The 10.12 to 8.10 loss saw the Cougars slip from second to fourth on the premiership table.

The Bulls looked worthy finalists as they grabbed second spot with elusive forward Aaren Kiernan kicking four goals.

Kalamunda are facing the prospect of missing a spot in the finals and they must beat Canning this Sunday to give them breathing space.

However, in 33 clashes since 1969, the Canning Tigers have a winning record of 25-7 with one drawn game over the Cougars.

KEY FORWARD

GOSNELLS forward Graeme Comerford and centreman Peter McGilvray posted five goals each to help their side to a comfortable 21.17 to 7.7 win over bottom team South Perth and cling to fifth place.

The Hawks stay in the race for a finals berth and now play Osborne Park (home), Kalamunda (away) and Mandurah at home.

Coach Steve Hargreaves will settle for no less than two out of three wins—a formidable task, but not beyond his players.

The Hawks were brillliant in their second-half demoralisation of South Perth.

CHALLENGERS

MANDURAH, who appear to be one of the few teams capable of challenging Wanneroo, outpaced a tenacious Applecross 10.20 to 6.4 at Rushton Park.

In windy conditions and with a number of players out injured, the Southerners showed their best form and this Sunday travel to Maddington to do battle for second spot.

The clash between rival centremen Stephen Green (Mandurah) and the Bulls Shaun Davey will be a highlight.

ROYALS ROLL

KENWICK over-ran Kelmscott with a 14.10 to 9.13 victory to tune up for a home-ground clash with Willetton in a game that the Royals must win.

Since 1979 the Royals have played Willetton 13 times, winning eight, but this is no foregone conclusion.

Blues full-back Roger Crouch could be the key player when he clashes with Royals coach Peter Ashworth, who kicked a match-winning seven goals last week.

Kenwick meet South Perth (away) and Osborne Park (home) in their final two fixtures and badly need to bolster their percentage if they are to be a finals contender.

FIXTURES

Sunday Football League

Gosnells v Osborne Park, Gosnells Oval
Wanneroo v South Perth, Kingsway
Kenwick v Willetton, Mills Park, Kenwick
Armadale v Kelmscott, Gwynne Pk, Armadale
Canning v Kalamunda, Wyong Oval, Bentley
Maddington v Mandurah, Maddington Oval
Applecross v Thornlie, Shirley Strickland Oval, Ardross.

Metropolitan Football League

Cockburn v Frem, Davilak Oval, Hamilton Hill
Kwinana v Midland, Medina Oval, Medina
Manning v Mosman, James Miller Oval, Manning

Sunday Football League

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
WANNEROO	15	15	-	1799	879	204.66	60
MADDINGTON	15	10	5	1565	1256	124.60	40
MANDURAH	15	10	5	1614	1305	123.67	40
KALAMUNDA	15	10	5	1274	1151	110.68	40
GOSNELLS	15	9	6	1539	1446	196.43	36
Thornlie	15	8	7	1458	1307	111.55	32
Canning	15	8	7	1451	1390	104.38	32
Kenwick	15	8	7	1231	1317	93.470	32
Osborne Park	15	7	8	1287	1288	99.922	28
Applecross	15	6	9	1217	1386	87.806	24
Willetton	15	5	10	1274	1371	92.924	20
Armadale	15	5	10	1250	1576	79.314	20
Kelmscott	15	3	12	1324	1544	85.751	12
South Perth	15	1	14	860	1927	44.628	4

Metropolitan League

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
KWINANA	13	13	-	1851	684	270.61	52
COCKBURN	13	9	4	1163	783	148.53	36
MANNING	13	6	7	983	1070	91.86	24
FREMANTLE	13	5	8	931	1241	75.02	20
Mosman Park	13	4	9	1078	1273	84.68	16
Midland	13	2	11	672	1627	41.30	8

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KERRUISH, Gavin	-	-	-	-	4	-	3	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11
KICKETT, Graham	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4r	5	5	5	3	-	-	-	5	32
LYNCH, Richard	5	3	-	4	5	3	4	-	-	-	3l	-	-	-	-	-	-	27
MacDONALD, John	-	-	4	3r	-	6	5	4	5	6	6	5	7	5	5	7	6	74
MATERA, Peter	-	3	-	6	3	5	5	5	8	-	8	5	4r	4	4	7	5	72
MATERA, Wally	6	-	6	5	6	5	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	7	57
MASKOS, Arthur	5	3	-	-	-	-	-	4	6	6	6	5	4	-	-	-	-	39
NALDER, Dean	3r	4r	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
PAUNICH, Dion	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	6	5	-	-	-	-	16
RIOLI, Maurice	7	-	7	3	6	7	6	7	7	6	-	-	4r	6	5	5l	-	76
ROE, Willie	8	2	6	5	7	6	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42
ROGNETTA, Frank	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
SAMBRAILO, Mark	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	6	6	5	2i	-	-	-	-	-	-	23
SAMBRAILO, Matt	-	5	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
SUMICH, Peter	6	-	6	4	6	4	4	6	7	6	6	5	5	8	7	8	5	73
WALTERS, Tony	5	5	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
WATTERS, Scott	7	7	5	5	4	5	5	7	7	8	5	7	5	6	5	6	7	101
WILSON, Dean	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4	4	4	-	-	5	4r	6	-	31	
WILSON, Troy	-	-	4i	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	6	19	
WORSFOLD, Peter	-	-	4	4	-	-	-	6	5	-	4	4	5	4	-	3r	39	

SWAN DISTRICTS

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AMONINI, Peter	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
BAZZO, Steve	4	7	3	5	4	5	4	7	5	6	3	6	6	6	6	7	7	91
BUCKLEY, Jim	-	3l	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
CATON, Kevin	5	5	4	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	6	5	35
COPE, Tony	3	-	3	6	6	6	4	6	4	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	43
CORMACK, Joe	-	-	3	6	5	5	-	-	-	-	5	-	8	4	8	-	4	48
DE GRAAF, Bob	4	6	3	5	5	5	3	5	-	5	-	5	4	5	7	6	4	72
GANDINI, Len	6	6	4	6	-	-	-	5	7	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38
GOW, Paul	4	4	2	7	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
GRASSO, Mick	5	5	4	7	4	5	5	7	6	6	7	6	6	7	7	6	5	98
GLASS, Brett	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
HUTTON, Brent	4	6	3	-	7	7	5	-	4	-	4	6	5	-	-	-	-	51
HETHERINGTON, Kim	4	6	4	6	4	6	5	5	5	4	6	6	7	5	6	7	6	72
HOLMES, Andy	5	-	3	7	5	5	5	5	4	5	5	7	5	6	7	6	6	84
HOLMES, Don	4	-	4	6	4	4	4	8	-	-	7	7	-	-	-	-	-	48
IETTO, Austin	-	6	3	-	5	4r	3r	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21
JOLLEY, Grant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	5	4	5	4r	3r	5	-	31
JONES, Greg	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4r	6	5	4	5	24
MAGUIRE, Fintan	-	-	-	-	-	6	4	6	4	-	-	7	4	4	6	5	4	50
MOSS, Simon	-	-	-	-	-	5	2r	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
NARKLE, Phil	-	-	-	-	-	5	7	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	15
O'DONOHUE, Jamie	3r	-	-	6	4	-	6	4r	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27
OLD, Peter	3	4	4	5	6	5	3	6	4	6	5	5	6	6	5	6	-	79
QUINLIVAN, Mark	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4r	10
PAPALLIA, Paddy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3r	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
PARTINGTON, Andrew	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	5	-	-	-	3r	5	7	24
PASSERI, Geoff	5	7	2	5	5	5	4	7	6	6	4	6	4	6	8	7	7	94
PENNY, Danny	-	-	-	4	4	7	5	4	4	-	-	5	6	5	6	6	7	63
RENFREE, Shane	5	5	5	7	4	6	6	-	-	6	6	5	5	4	6	7	7	84
SIBSON, Colin	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3r	5	-	8
SIDEBOTTOM, Allan	-	6l	-	-	-	-	-	7	5	5	-	7	7	2i	-	-	2i	41
SKWIROWSKI, Bill	-	6	4	-	4	-	-	-	6	4r	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	29
SOLIN, Tony	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	5	6	3l	-	5	6	4	7	4	46
STEVENS, Matt	-	2l	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4r	4	-	-	-	-	-	4l	14
STEVENS, Stuart	-	4	-	-	5	4	3	4	4	6	4	6	4	6	6	6	7	69
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TURNER, Craig	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	5	5	15
UGLE, Troy	-	-	-	8	-	-	6	8	-	-	-	6	6	6	8	-	-	48
WALKER, Greg	-	6	4	6	-	-	-	5	5	5	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
WARE, Peter	4	4	3	6	3	-	-	6	4	6	5	6	8	6	5	6	-	72
ZORICH, Marcus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3r	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3

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BELL, John	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	3	3	-	-	-	-	10
BREMAN, Todd	3	5	6	7	6	5	7	3	6	5	5	5	4	3	7	6	4	87
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COOPER, John	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	4
COPE, Tony	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	6	5	17
COX, Paul	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4
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FEATHERBY, Peter	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
FIELD, Richard	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	5	4	4	-	-	-	-	18
GEORGIADES, John	5	6	7	7	7	-	8	7	6	6	6	3	4	6	5	4	7	94
GOLDING, Wayne	-	6	6	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2r	-	-	-	20
HEADY, Brett	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	4r	6	4	4	-	-	5	5	33
HIGGINS, Paul	-	-	4	4r	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	5	4	-	20
HOOPER, Stephen	-	-	-	-	4r	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
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HUTCHESON, Glen	5	5	-	7	6	4r	5	6	-	-	-	4	5	5	6l	-	-	58
JENNINGS, Mick	4	7	5	6	7	7	-	6	7	5l	7	7	7	4	5	4l	-	88
JONES, Graham	-	-	-	3r	-	5	5	4	4	5	-	-	5	-	-	4	4	39
KEENE, Laurie	5	6	5	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	27
KEMP, Garry	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3r	5	7	6	4	3r	-	6	6	4	45
KEYSER, Gavin	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	5l	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9
LANGDON, Karl	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	6
LEE, Michael	-	-	5	7	5	7	6	6	8	7	6	6	6	6	5	7	6	93
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MORT, Michael	4r	5	3	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	20
MONAGHAN, Bill	6	5	6	7	6	6	7	4	5	7	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	60
MONAGHAN, Steve	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3r	-	-	-	6
McDOUGALL, Brad	5	6	6	6	7	6	3	5	4	4	3	-	7	4	8	8	8	90
PIGGOTT, Darren	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	3
RATTRAY, Alex	-	-	-	5	6	5	-	4r	-	-	-	4	4	3	5	5	3l	44
READ, Damien	-	3r	3r	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	4r	4r	-	24
ROSICH, Stephen	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4l	4
SPARKS, Kevan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	6	4r	5	19
SULLIVAN, John	-	-	6	7	5	6	6	4	-	-	4	4	5	6l	-	-	-	53
TAYLOR, Neil	5	4l	-	-	5	8	6	6	5	-	-	-	-	6	5	7	7	64
TAYLOR, Brian	5	6	5	7	5	6	6	5	6	6	6	5	5	6	7	6	7	99
WILLET, Rod	3r	7	5	7	4	5	5	4	5	7	5	5	4	4	6	7	5	88
WILKINSON, Greg	6	3l	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9
ZANOTTI, Mark	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	5

EAST FREMANTLE

	V P	V WP	V SF	V S	V EP	V SD	V C	V S	V WP	V SF	V P	V SD	V EP	V C	V P	V WP	V S	TOT
AMARANTI, Mark	6	6	5	6	4	-	-	-	4	4	4	3r	-	-	-	-	-	42
BAXTER, Guy	-	-	-	2r	-	-	-	7	7	5	5	8	7	6	8	6	5	66
BRENNAN, Michael	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	6
BROWNING, Clinton	6	5	5	2	5	-	-	-	7	5	5	7	6	6	7	7	4	77
BROADBRIDGE, Mick	6	5	5	6	7	5	5	6	6	6	4	6	6	5	8	5	5	96
BUSHELL, David	-	4	-	2r	-	7	4	6	7	5	5	8	8	6	5	-	4	71
COLE, Dean	-	-	-	-	5	6	3	6	6	5	5	6	4r	4	5	5	-	60
COOPER, Eric	5	4	5	6	6	6	5	6	5	4	1i	6	4r	-	-	-	-	63
CHRISTIE, George	8	9	6	6	5	6	6	4l	-	-	-	-	6	5	7	6	5	79
DURACK, Lance	6	7	6	8	6	5	5	5	6	7	5	-	-	4r	6	5	4	85
DERECOURT, Jon	6	6	5	5	6	5	4	5	5	4	6	5	6	6	6	5	5	90
ELLIS, Shane	7	6	6	5	6	6	5	7	7	5	5	7	6	5	6	7	7	103
EDGAR, Stephen	6	6	6	7	7	6	7	6	-	7	3	5	6	5	6	6	5	94
FOLEY, Andrew	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
FORMAN, Bryce	5	4	4r	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2r	7	-	-	-	3r	3	30
GEPP, Tim	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	5	4	5	6	5	5	5	39
GRACE, Stephan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
LAMB, Colin	-	-	-	-	5	5	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21
LESTER-SMITH, Neil	7	4	6	5	3	6	5	7	-	-	4	6	6	5	7	6	3	80
McLEAN, Craig	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	5	4	-	-	-	-	-	15
MILLER, Gavin	4	6	4	3	-	-	4	6	6	5	-	-	-	5	7	5	4	59
NANNUP, Wayne	5i	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
O'SULLIVAN, John	6	6	6	7	8	7	5	5	7	5	-	6	6	5	6	6	6	97
PEAKE, Brian	8	4	7	6	6	6	4	4r	4	7	8	6

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Fortron Cooling System Flush

NATIONAL FIXTURES

SGIO PREMIERSHIP CUP COMPETITION

SERIES ONE

MONDAY, APRIL 4 (Round 1)
Claremont 21.16 Subiaco 11.9, Claremont
South Frem. 21.23 East Perth 6.12, Fremantle
Perth 13.20 East Frem. 17.15, WACA
West Perth 23.23 Swan Dist. 10.17, Leederville

SATURDAY, APRIL 9 (Round 2)
Subiaco 14.15 East Perth 10.10, Subiaco
Claremont 8.18 Perth 10.14, Claremont
East Frem. 14.19 West Perth 14.9, East Frem
Swan Dist. 17.23 South Frem. 14.11, Bssdn

SATURDAY, APRIL 16 (Round 3)
Subiaco 26.18 Swan Districts 9.11, Subiaco
East Perth 10.10 Claremont 21.23, WACA
West Perth 8.16 Perth 18.9, Leederville
East Frem. 11.19, South Frem. 10.12, E. Frem.

SUNDAY, APRIL 24 (Round 4)
East Frem. 8.12 Subiaco 15.19, Geraldton

MONDAY, APRIL 25
Swan Dist. 16.16 East Perth 14.12, Bass'dean

Double Header — at WACA Ground
West Perth 20.13 Claremont 16.7
Perth 24.22 South Fremantle 16.13

SATURDAY, APRIL 30 (Round 5)
Subiaco 23.10 Perth 15.15, Subiaco
East Perth 16.9 East Fremantle 17.23, WACA
Claremont 18.19, Swan Dist. 13.11, Claremont
S. Fremantle 16.26 West Perth 6.13, Fremantle

SATURDAY, MAY 7 (Round 6)
Perth 20.20 East Perth 15.6, WACA
S. Fremantle 14.17 Claremont 18.19, Frem.
West Perth 12.15 Subiaco 20.12, Leederville
Swan Dist. 15.18 E. Frem. 22.19, Bassendean

SATURDAY, MAY 14 (Round 7)
Subiaco 25.23 S. Fremantle 11.13, Subiaco
West Perth 10.9 East Perth 14.13, Leederville
E. Fremantle 9.10 Claremont 11.16, E. Frem
Perth 27.20 Swan Districts 11.15, at WACA

SERIES TWO

SATURDAY, MAY 21 (Round 8)
E. Fremantle 18.13 Subiaco 11.13, E. Frem.
Swan Dist. 21.17 E. Perth 19.16, Bass'dean
Perth 13.11 S. Fremantle 18.18, WACA
Claremont 18.15 West Perth 6.20, Claremont

TUESDAY, MAY 24
S. Aust. 17.17 W. Aust. 11.13, Football Pk, SA

SATURDAY, MAY 28 (Round 9)
E. Perth 14.10 Subiaco 20.10, WACA
Claremont 22.10 Perth 16.13, Claremont
West Perth 14.16 E. Frem. 18.14, Leederville
S. Frem. 20.15 Swan Dist. 14.12, Fremantle

SATURDAY, JUNE 4 (Round 10)
Subiaco 16.19 Swan Dist. 10.8,Subiaco
Claremont 17.12 E. Perth 10.13, Claremont
Perth 17.16 W. Perth 14.13, WACA

MONDAY, JUNE 6
S. Frem. 16.10 E. Frem. 12.12, Fremantle

SATURDAY, JUNE 11 (Round 11)
Subiaco 10.13, Claremont 15.13, Subiaco
East Perth 14.15, South Frem. 13.12, WACA
East Frem. 22.11, Perth 15.21, East Frem.
Swan Dist. 10.15, W. Perth 16.17, Bassendean

SATURDAY, JUNE 18 (Round 12)
Subiaco 11.8, West Perth 16.19, Subiaco
Perth 18.13, East Perth 17.11, WACA
Claremont 18.18, South Frem. 11.9, Claremont
East Frem. 18.17, Swan Dist. 18.6, East Frem.

SATURDAY, JUNE 25 (Round 13)
East Perth 13.12, East Fremantle 22.24
Perth 9.19, Subiaco 9.8
Swan Dist. 11.10, Claremont 10.16, Bassendean
W. Perth 17.22, S. Fremantle 8.9, Leederville

SATURDAY, JULY 3 (Round 14)
South Frem. 21.10, Subiaco 17.8, Fremantle.
East Frem. 14.10, Claremont 17.19, Subiaco.
E. Perth 15.11, W. Perth 18.12, Perth Oval.
Swan Dist. 13.21, Perth 18.15, Bassendean.

TUESDAY, JULY 5 (Round 15)
Interstate double-header at Subiaco Oval.
WAFL 24.19, VFA 11.11
Victoria 21.23, WA 15.9

SERIES THREE

SATURDAY, JULY 9 (Round 15)
Claremont 17.15, Subiaco 18.11, Claremont.
E. Perth 9.17, South Fremantle 10.12, WACA.
East Frem 21.14, Perth 13.20, East Frem.
Swan Dist. 20.22, West Perth 11.12, Bass.

SATURDAY, July 16 (Round 16)
Subiaco 18.18, East Perth 13.3, Subiaco.
Perth 13.16, Claremont 23.17, WACA.
West Perth 17.19, East Frem 13.10, Leed.
South Frem 25.6, Swan Dist 17.13, Fremantle.

SATURDAY, JULY 23 (Round 17)
Subiaco 6.7 East Frem. 3.9, Subiaco
East Perth 10.12 Swan Dist 6.8, WACA
South Frem. 13.13 Perth 10.12, Fremantle
West Perth 7.7 Claremont 4.6, Leederville

SATURDAY, JULY 30 (Round 18)
Swan Districts v Subiaco at Bassendean
East Perth v Claremont at WACA Ground
West Perth v Perth at Leederville
East Frem. v South Frem. at East Fremantle

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6 (Round 19)
Perth v Subiaco at WACA Ground
East Fremantle v East Perth at East Fremantle
Claremont v Swan Districts at Claremont
South Fremantle v West Perth at Fremantle

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14 (Round 20)
Double Header at Subiaco Oval
SouthFremantle v Claremont at 11.40am
Subiaco v West Perth at 2.20pm
East Perth v Perth at WACA Ground
East Fremantle v Swan Districts at East Fremantle

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20 (Round 21)
South Fremantle v Subiaco at Fremantle
West Perth v East Perth at Leederville
Swan Districts v Perth at Bassendean
Claremont v East Fremantle at Claremont

FINALS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27
First Semi Final

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3
Second Semi Final

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10
Preliminary Final

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18
Grand Final

PREMIERSHIP TABLES

SGIO WAFL LEAGUE

	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Pts
CLAREMONT	12	4	1	1903	1424	133.63	50
SUBIACO	11	6	-	1841	1543	119.31	44
E. FREMANTLE	11	6	-	1805	1650	109.39	44
PERTH	9	8	-	1890	1849	102.21	36
S. Fremantle	9	8	-	1771	1759	100.68	36
W. Perth	8	9	-	1629	1681	96.90	32
Swan Districts	4	12	1	1629	2109	77.24	18
E. Perth	3	14	-	1506	1959	76.87	12

WAFL PRIME RESERVES

	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Pts
CLAREMONT	14	3	-	1684	1231	136.79	56
PERTH	12	5	-	1810	1190	152.10	48
E. PERTH	9	8	-	1471	1511	97.35	36
SUBIACO	8	9	-	1451	1270	114.25	32
W. Perth	8	9	-	1282	1490	86.04	32
E. Fremantle	7	10	-	1441	1608	89.61	28
S. Fremantle	6	11	-	1478	1662	88.92	24
Swan Districts	4	13	-	1176	1831	64.22	16

WAFL UNDER-19s

	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Pts
SUBIACO	13	4	-	1359	851	159.69	52
CLAREMONT	12	4	1	1352	913	148.08	50
E. PERTH	11	6	-	1154	937	123.15	44
S. FREMANTLE	10	7	-	1345	965	139.37	40
E. Fremantle	7	9	1	1090	1231	88.54	30
W. Perth	7	10	-	1185	1243	95.33	28
Perth	6	11	-	968	1166	83.01	24
Swan Districts	1	16	-	735	1882	39.05	4

VFL

	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Pts
HAWTHORN	14	3	-	2090	1561	133.9	56
CARLTON	12	5	-	1813	1461	124.1	48
MELBOURNE	12	5	-	1508	1386	108.8	48
COLLINGWOOD	11	5	1	1458	1294	112.7	46
ESSENDON	10	7	-	1749	1543	113.4	40
Sydney	9	8	-	1632	1659	98.4	36
West Coast	8	9	-	1701	1636	104.0	32
Footscray	8	9	-	1412	1417	99.6	32
Geelong	7	10	-	1740	1703	102.2	28
N. Melbourne	6	10	1	1829	1957	93.5	26
Fitzroy	6	11	-	1679	1787	94.0	24
Brisbane	6	11	-	1413	1948	72.5	24
Richmond	5	12	-	1521	2000	76.1	20
St Kilda	4	13	-	1334	1531	87.1	16

SANFL

	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Pts
CENTRAL DIST	12	3	1	1939	1314	59.61	25
PORT ADEL	11	5	-	1776	1431	55.38	22
STURT	11	5	-	1904	1545	55.20	22
NORWOOD	10	6	-	1778	1300	57.76	20
N. ADEL	9	6	1	1588	1333	54.36	19
Glenelg	9	7	-	1753	1402	55.56	18
W. Torrens	6	10	-	1389	1795	43.62	12
Woodville	5	11	-	1578	1896	45.42	10
W. Adel	5	11	-	1411	1724	45.01	10
S. Adel	1	15	-	1041	2417	30.10	2

VICTORIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE

(P) — Indicates matches to be played at VFL Park.

Round 1 — (April 2, Saturday)
Essendon 25.14 North Melbourne 12.10
Geelong 11.17 Eagles 14.20, Kardinia Park
Carlton 18.18 Hawthorn 15.21, Windy Hill
(April 3, Sunday)
Brisbane 10.15 Collingwood 11.17, Carrara Oval
(April 4, Monday)
Footscray 16.6 Sydney Swans 11.10, VFL Park
Richmond 16.12 Melbourne 23.16, MCG
Fitzroy 20.20 St Kilda 17.16, Princes Park

Round 2 — (April 8, Friday)
West Coast Eagles 26.19 Essendon 11.10, WACA
(April 9, Saturday)
Hawthorn 26.15 Richmond 12.14, VFL Park
Collingwood 15.12 Fitzroy 9.16, Victoria Park
Footscray 9.12 Melbourne 13.8, Western Oval
Carlton 19.15 Brisbane Bears 7.19, Princes Park
North Melbourne 20.7 Geelong 21.16, MCG
(April 10, Sunday)
Sydney Swans 9.12 St Kilda 7.13, SCG

Round 3 — (April 16, Saturday)
Richmond 12.8 Collingwood 23.12, VFL Park
Essendon 11.13 Carlton 23.13, Windy Hill
Hawthorn 17.12, Swans 13.15, Princes Park
Footscray 16.12, Fitzroy 7.15, Western Oval
St Kilda 17.6 North Melbourne 11.16
Melbourne 9.18 Geelong 9.10
(April 17, Sunday)
Bears 10.14 Eagles 29.18, WACA

Round 4 — (April 22, Friday)
Melbourne 13.18 Bears 5.11, MCG
(April 23, Saturday)
Collingwood 13.16 Eagles 8.7, Victoria Park
North Melbourne 19.11 Footscray 13.9, VFL Park
Hawthorn 17.18 Fitzroy 15.16, Princes Park
(April 24, Sunday)
Swans 10.19 Carlton 24.22, SCG
(April 25, Monday)
St Kilda 10.9 Essendon 14.7, Moorabbin
Richmond 11.16 Geelong 24.17, MCG

Round 5 — (April 29, Friday)
Eagles 14.16 Footscray 14.9, WACA
(April 30, Saturday)
Carlton 10.9 Collingwood 14.13, VFL Park
North Melbourne 19.14 Hawthorn 31.19, MCG
Fitzroy 12.19 Richmond 23.15, Princes Park
Geelong 17.14 Essendon 13.14, Kardinia Park
St Kilda 12.12 Brisbane Bears 13.15, Moorabbin
(May 1, Sunday)
Sydney Swans 12.17 Melbourne 17.14

Round 6 — (May 6, Friday)
North Melbourne 17.21 Eagles 17.8
(May 7, Saturday)
Collingwood 13.13 Hawthorn 14.9 (P)
Footscray 12.19 Richmond 5.16
Carlton 10.12 St Kilda 4.8
Melbourne 9.14 Essendon 16.5
(May 8, Sunday)
Brisbane Bears 17.11 Fitzroy 16.15
Geelong 16.15 Sydney Swans 17.12

Round 7 — (May 13, Friday)
Eagles 17.10 St Kilda 3.18, WACA
(May 14, Saturday)
Geelong 15.14 Carlton 14.9, VFL Park
Fitzroy 15.16 Swans 9.13, Princes Park
Melbourne 15.21 Hawthorn 13.12, MCG
Essendon 17.17 Collingwood 11.9, Windy Hill
(May 15, Sunday)
Richmond 11.7 N. Melbourne 22.18, MCG
Bears 10.12 Footscray 9.17, Carrara Oval

Round 8 — (May 20, Friday)
Swans 11.21 Bears 17.12
(May 21, Saturday)
Carlton 19.20 N. Melbourne 19.7 (P)
Fitzroy 12.17 Melbourne 17.13
Essendon 20.17 Richmond 13.11
Collingwood 13.10 Footscray 11.16
(May 22, Sunday)
Eagles 9.9 Hawthorn 17.14
Geelong 16.12 St Kilda 17.12

Round 9 — (May 27, Friday)
Essendon 29.20 Bears 8.6, MCG
(May 28, Saturday)
N. Melb. 4.11 Collingwood 11.17, VFL
Hawthorn 23.16 Footscray 9.11, Princes Park
Richmond 10.13 Sydney Swans 20.16, MCG
St Kilda 16.10 Melbourne 11.12, Moorabbin
Geelong 20.13 Fitzroy 15.10, Kardinia Park
(May 29, Sunday)
Eagles 12.15 Carlton 15.10, Subiaco

Round 10 — (June 3, Friday)
Swans 11.11, Essendon 8.7, SCG
(June 4, Saturday)
St Kilda 17.19 Hawthorn 21.11, MCG
Fitzroy 24.13 N. Melbourne 18.16 Princes Park
Footscray 11.19 Carlton 15.6, Western Oval
Collingwood 10.11 Melbourne 12.12, VFL Park
(June 5, Sunday)
Bears 16.13 Geelong 24.18, Carrara
Richmond 16.20 Eagles 10.15, MCG

Round 11 — (June 10, Friday)
Sydney Swans 18.24, North Melb. 19.11, SCG
(June 11, Saturday)
St Kilda 7.9 Footscray 11.12, VFL
Carlton 21.18 Fitzroy 15.11, Princes Park
(June 12, Sunday)
Bears 23.13 Richmond 15.13, Carrara
(June 13, Monday)
Melbourne 13.15 Eagles 10.13, MCG
Hawthorn 17.16 Essendon 10.8, Princes Park
Geelong 9.10 Collingwood 16.7, Kardinia Park

Round 12 — (June 17, Friday)
Richmond 15.20, Carlton 12.21, MCG
(June 18, Saturday)
Fitzroy 7.9, Essendon 4.9, VFL Park
Hawthorn 10.20, Bears 2.5, Princes Park
Footscray 7.14, Geelong 3.12, Western Oval
St Kilda 3.12, Collingwood 7.9, at Moorabbin
Nth Melb. 10.14, Melbourne 7.19, MCG
(June 19, Sunday)
Swans 14.20, Eagles 8.13, SCG

Round 13 — (June 25, Saturday)
Melbourne 10.6, Carlton 5.13, VFL Park
Hawthorn 17.10, Geelong 12.15, Prince Park
Essendon 10.15, Footscray 15.9, Windy Hill
Collingwood 9.14, Sydney Swans 2.11, Victoria Park
St Kilda 8.18, Richmond 5.11, Moorabbin
N. Melb. 22.19, Bears 13.7, MCG

(June 26, Sunday)
Eagles 17.19, Fitzroy 13.9, Subiaco

Round 14 — (July 1, Friday)
Swans 13.18, Richmond 19.17, SCG
(July 2, Saturday)
Fitzroy 10.11, N. Melb. 15.20, VFL Park
Carlton 11.21, Collingwood 15.14, MCG
Footscray 11.11, Hawthorn 15.15, Western Oval
Geelong 8.8, Melb. 13.11, Kardinia Park
Essendon 16.16, Eagles 13.7, Windy Hill
(July 3, Sunday)
Bears 14.15, St Kilda 12.17

Saturday, July 2 (Round 14)
Essendon 16.16, Eagles 13.7, Windy Hill

Round 15 — (July 9, Saturday)
Footscray 12.8, Richmond 8.7, VFL Park.
Fitzroy 21.16, Collingwood 7.10, Princes Park.
Melbourne 8.9, Sydney Swans 19.16, MCG.
St Kilda 9.11, Carlton 10.9, Moorabbin.
(July 10, Sunday)
Eagles 18.18, Geelong 16.10, Subiaco
Brisbane Bears 12.19, Hawthorn 17.13, Carrara.
North Melb. 14.10, Essendon 21.14, MCG.

Round 16 — (July 15, Friday)
Eagles 14.14, Bears 12.17, WACA.
(July 16, Saturday)
Richmond 17.13, St Kilda 15.8, VFL Park.
Essendon 16.14, Fitzroy 9.12, Windy Hill.
Melbourne 14.10, Collingwood 6.12, MCG.
Carlton 21.15, Geelong 14.14, Princes Park.
(July 17, Sunday)
Swans 24.19, Hawthorn 16.16, SCG.
North Melbourne 12.14, Footscray 16.17, MCG.

Round 17 — (July 22, Friday)
Fitzroy 19.20 Eagles 8.16, MCG
(July 23, Saturday)
Melbourne 10.8 Hawthorn 21.11, VFL Park
Collingwood 14.8 N. Melb. 13.14, Victoria Park
St Kilda 14.8 Swans 13.21, Moorabbin
Geelong 17.13 Footscray 10.9, Geelong
Carlton 13.22 Richmond 8.12, Princes Park
(July 24, Sunday)
Bears 10.14 Essendon 16.7, Carrara

Round 18 — (July 29, Friday)
Sydney Swans v Geelong
(July 30, Saturday)
Hawthorn v Essendon (P)
Fitzroy v Carlton
Collingwood v St. Kilda
North Melbourne v Richmond
(July 31, Sunday)
West Coast Eagles v Melbourne
Footscray v Brisbane Bears

Round 19 — (August 5, Friday)
Collingwood v Bris. Bears (MCG)
(August 6, Saturday)
Carlton v Sydney Swans (P)
Hawthorn v Fitzroy
Essendon v Geelong
Footscray v St. Kilda
Richmond v Melbourne
(August 7, Sunday)
West Coast Eagles v North Melb.

Round 20 — (August 12, Friday)
Richmond v Brisbane Bears
(August 13, Saturday)
Collingwood v Essendon (P)
St. Kilda v West Coast Eagles
Melbourne v Footscray
Carlton v North Melbourne
(August 14, Sunday)
Sydney Swans v Fitzroy
Geelong v Hawthorn

Round 21 — (August 19, Friday)
North Melbourne v Sydney Swans
(August 20, Saturday)
Hawthorn v St. Kilda (P)
Essendon v Melbourne
Fitzroy v Footscray
Geelong v Richmond
(August 21, Sunday)
West Coast Eagles v Collingwood
Brisbane Bears v Carlton

Round 22 — (August 26, Friday)
Richmond v Fitzroy
(August 27, Saturday)
Essendon v St. Kilda (P)
Collingwood v Geelong
Hawthorn v North Melbourne
Melbourne v Carlton
(August 28, Sunday)
Brisbane Bears v Sydney Swans
Footscray v West Coast Eagles

FINAL SERIES MATCHES:
VFL PARK: September 3, 10, 17
MCG: September 4, 11, 24

WEST COAST EAGLES 1988 EAGLES FIXTURES

Saturday, April 2 (Round 1)
Geelong 11.17 Eagles 14.20 at Geelong
Friday, April 8 (Round 2)
Eagles 26.19 Essendon 11.10 at WACA Ground
Sunday, April 17 (Round 3)
Eagles 29.18 Bears 10.14 at WACA Ground
Saturday, April 23 (Round 4)
Collingwood 13.16 Eagles 8.7 at Victoria Park
Friday, April 29 (Round 5)
Eagles 14.16 Footscray 14.9, WACA
Friday, May 6 (Round 6)
North Melbourne 17.21 Eagles 17.8
Friday, May 13 (Round 7)
Eagles 17.10 St Kilda 3.18, WACA
Sunday, May 22 (Round 8)
Hawthorn 17.14 Eagles 9.9, Subiaco
Sunday, May 29 (Round 9)
Carlton 15.10 Eagles 12.15, Subiaco
Sunday, June 5 (Round 10)
Richmond 16.20 Eagles 10.15, MCG
Monday, June 13 (Round 11)
Melbourne 13.15 Eagles 10.13, MCG
Sunday, June 19 (Round 12)
Sydney Swans 14.20, Eagles 8.13, SCG
Sunday, June 26 (Round 13)
Eagles 17.19 b Fitzroy 13.9, Subiaco
Saturday, July 2 (Round 14)
Essendon 16.16, Eagles 13.7, Windy Hill.
Sunday, July 10 (Round 15)
Eagles 18.18, Geelong 16.10, Subiaco.
Friday, July 15 (Round 16)
Eagles 14.14, Bears 12.17, WACA.
Friday, July 22 (Round 17)
Fitzroy 19.20 Eagles 8.16, MCG
Sunday, July 31 (Round 18)
v Melbourne at Subiaco
Sunday, August 7 (Round 19)
v North Melbourne at Subiaco
Saturday, August 13 (Round 20)
v St Kilda at Moorabin
Sunday, August 21 (Round 21)
v Collingwood at Subiaco
Sunday, August 28 (Round 22)
v Footscray at Footscray

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NATIONAL SCOREBOARD

WAFL

SUBIACO	1.3	4.5	6.6	6.7	43
EAST FREMANTLE	2.3	3.4	3.8	3.9	27

GOALS: SUBIACO: Georgiades 3, Breman 1, McDougall 1, N. Taylor 1. EAST FREMANTLE: Browning 2, Baxter 1.
BEST: SUBIACO: McDougall, N. Taylor, Georgiades, B. Taylor, Macnish, Lee. EAST FREMANTLE: Ellis, Rankin, Regan, Quill, O'Sullivan, Broadbridge.
Played at Subiaco Oval. Umpires David Johnson, Trevor Rees. Attendance 2717.

SOUTH FREMANTLE	6.3	9.10	11.11	13.13	91
PERTH	3.6	7.7	9.10	10.12	72

GOALS: SOUTH FREMANTLE: Geary 2, Kickett 2, Sumich, P. Matera 2, D. Collard 1, Bayliss 1, W. Matera, Jackson, C. Collard 1. PERTH: Taylor 4, Watson 2, Wiley 1, Ryder, Grijusich, Narkle 1.
BEST: SOUTH FREMANTLE: Edwards, Matera, Watters, C. Collard, Fimmano, Geary. PERTH: Watson, Yorgey, Wiley, Mosconi, Grijusich, Santostefano.
Played at Fremantle Oval. Umpires Glenn Lee, Mike Ball. Attendance 2700.

EAST PERTH	3.2	4.4	9.7	10.12	72
SWAN DISTRICTS	2.4	4.6	5.6	6.8	44

GOALS: EAST PERTH: Bennett 3, Campbell 2, Ewen 1, Bain 1, DelBorrello 1, Kelly 1, Baroni 1. SWAN DISTRICTS: Holmes 2, Caton 1, Passeri 1, Turner 1, Solin 1.
BEST: EAST PERTH: Turner, Cropley, Bennett, Ewen, Hawkins, Dawson. SWAN DISTRICTS: Passeri, Renfree, Bazzo, Penny, Partington, Holmes.
Played at the WACA Ground. Umpires Phil O'Reilly, Trevor Garrett. Attendance 1766.

WEST PERTH	1.2	3.4	6.6	7.7	49
CLAREMONT	2.2	3.3	4.4	4.6	30

GOALS: WEST PERTH: Madaffari, Menaglio 2, Taylor 1, Higgins, Gastev 1. CLAREMONT: Hutton 3, Begovich 1.
BEST: WEST PERTH: Menaglio, Williams, Turley, Bradmore, Dayman, Foley. CLAREMONT: Begovich, Edwards, Hann, Hutton, Morton, Thomson.
Played at Leederville Oval. Umpires Greg Scroop, Ken O'Driscoll. Attendance 2153.

VFL

FRIDAY, JULY 22

FITZROY	5.5	11.11	15.13	19.20	134
EAGLES	2.5	4.9	6.12	8.16	64

GOALS: FITZROY: R. Osborne 6, Stooper 4, Harris 2, Thomas, Lynch, Armstrong, Broderick, Blakey, Kappler, Lyon. EAGLES: Annear, Mainwaring, Scott, Peos, Range, Worsfold, Keene, Barich.
BEST: FITZROY: Ironmonger, Kappler, Harris, R. Osborne, Blakey, Gale. EAGLES: Annear, Wrensted, Mainwaring, Keene, Malaxos, Barich.
Played at MCG. Umpires Stephen Luckman, Rohan Sawers. Attendance 7611.

SATURDAY, JULY 23

HAWTHORN	8.3	15.6	18.9	21.11	137
MELBOURNE	1.0	2.2	4.4	10.8	68

GOALS: HAWTHORN: Dunstall 6, Brereton 4, Collins 3, Burran 3, Hall 2, Schwab, Buckenara, Platten. MELBOURNE: Lovell 3, Johnson, Spalding, Lyon, Newport, Stynes, Jackson, Healy.
BEST: HAWTHORN: Langford, Morris, Platten, Schwab, Buckenara, Collins. MELBOURNE: Johnson, Lovett, Stretch, Healy, Jackson.
Played at VFL Park. Umpires Peter Cameron, Shane Harris. Attendance 37,301.

GEELONG	5.6	7.10	10.12	17.13	115
FOOTSCRAY	3.2	4.4	6.7	10.9	69

GOALS: GEELONG: Turner 4, Hamilton 3, Drum 3, Bairstow 2, Scott 2, Brownless 2, Couch 1. FOOTSCRAY: Beasley 3, Royal 2, Campbell 1, Applestun 1, Wallace 1, Cullen 1, Collins 1.
BEST: GEELONG: Flanigan, Bruns, Turner, Bairstow, Scott, Hamilton. FOOTSCRAY: Baxter, Applestun, Wallace, Cousins, Royal, Hunter.
Played at Kardinia Park. Umpires John Rossu, Peter Carey. Attendance 12,336.

CARLTON	3.3	4.8	9.16	13.22	100
RICHMOND	2.5	8.7	8.9	8.12	60

GOALS: CARLTON: Silvagni 3, Meldrum 3, Kernahan 2, Sartori 2, Herman 1, Murphy 1, Alvin 1. RICHMOND: Weightman 3, Lee 1, Mitchell 1, Ryan 1, M. Pickering 1, Pym 1.
BEST: CARLTON: Meldrum, Silvagni, Gleeson, Robertson, Buckley, Sartori. RICHMOND: M. Pickering, Wilson, Lambert, Free, Weightman, Palm.
Played at Princes Park. Umpires Grant Vernon, Ross Castle. Attendance 17,503.

COLLINGWOOD	2.0	8.2	9.5	14.8	92
NORTH MELBOURNE	6.6	10.8	12.12	13.14	92

GOALS: COLLINGWOOD: Taylor 7, Banks 2, Barwick 2, Wright 1, McKeown 1, Starcevich 1. NORTH MELBOURNE: German 4, Longmire 3, Larkin 2, Robertson 1, Clarkson 1, Allison 1, McCarthy 1.
BEST: COLLINGWOOD: Turner, Taylor, McGuane, Barwick, Banks, Wright. NORTH MELBOURNE: Larkin, Spargo, McCarthy, German, Bryce, Longmire.
Played at Victoria Park. Umpires Ian Clayton, Paul Saville. Attendance 16,082.

SYDNEY SWANS	5.5	6.11	8.10	13.21	99
ST KILDA	5.1	7.3	10.4	14.8	92

GOALS: SYDNEY SWANS: Mitchell 4, Higgins 3, Williams, Toohey, Bolton, Coleman, Wright, Bayes 1. ST KILDA: Owen 4, Nixon 3, Cunningham, Grant, Gotch, Peter-Budge, Rice, Dwyer 1.
BEST: SYDNEY SWANS: Carroll, Mitchell, Wright, Potter, Murphy, Carter. ST KILDA: Sheldon, Coghlan, Jones, Owen, Nixon, Rice.
Played at Moorabbin. Umpires Dennis Rich, Chris Mitchell. Attendance 11,657.

SUNDAY, JULY 24

ESSENDON	4.1	9.2	13.5	16.7	103
BRISBANE BEARS	4.3	5.6	8.9	10.14	74

GOALS: ESSENDON: S. Madden, Bailey 3, Bewick, Clark, Ezard, Wallis, Duckworth, Spencer, Watson, Hawker, Keane, Somerville. BRISBANE BEARS: Hardie 4, Fidge 3, Dunell, McIvor, Capper.
BEST: ESSENDON: Hawker, Watson, A. Daniher, Harvey, Foulds, Duckworth. BRISBANE BEARS: Raines, Richardson, Lester-Smith, Dunnell, Renoldson, Gibson.
Played at Carrara, Gold Coast. Umpires Peter Howe, Ian Bedford. Attendance 15,950.

VFL RESERVES

FITZROY 25.14 (164) d RICHMOND 17.18 (120).
GOALS: FITZROY: Scott 10, Conlan 4, Carafa 4, Bolzon 4, Pekin, Newman Woods. RICHMOND: Nixon 8, Powell 2, Peters 2, Burton, Bower, Hamilton, Jess, Mahony.
BEST: FITZROY: Newman, Trewella, Scott, G. Osborne, Conlan, Woods. RICHMOND: R. Nixon, McLeod, Egan, Knights, Stockdale, Mahony.

HAWTHORN 15.20 (110) d MELBOURNE 14.14 (98)
GOALS: HAWTHORN: Condon 2, Dickson 2, Hudson 2, Demetriou 2, Ralphsmith 2, Russo, Harding, Pritchard, Anderson, Kennedy. MELBOURNE: B. Bailey 4, T. Fidge 3, D. Comi 2, C. Farrell, D. Flintoff, P. Renni, S. Turner, A. Graham.
BEST: HAWTHORN: P. Dear, Kennedy, Cummings, Hopkins, Hudson, Dickson. MELBOURNE: B. Bailey, J. Viney, P. Rhode, D. Koop, A. Graham.

NORTH MELBOURNE 11.9 (75) d COLLINGWOOD 8.7 (55)
GOALS: NORTH MELBOURNE: Carey 4, Romero 4, S. Smith 2, W. Pickering. COLLINGWOOD: Mrakov 3, Clarke 2, Monkhurst, Cloke, Fellowes.
BEST: NORTH MELBOURNE: W. Schwass, M. Murphy, W. Pickering, H. Romero, S. Smith, B. Buckley, A. Rock. COLLINGWOOD: Rizonico, Gayfer, Fellowes, Cloke.

SYDNEY SWANS 9.10 (64) d ST KILDA 7.13 (55)
GOALS: SYDNEY SWANS: T. Mitchell 2, Brunton 2, Winter 2, Silvestro, Ellas, Lambourn. ST KILDA: Ingleton 2, Bowey, Marcou, Quirk, Simpson, Taylor.
BEST: SYDNEY SWANS: Silvestro, Battiston, Lambourn, Neagle, Quirk, Brinkkotter. ST KILDA: Harvey, Freeman, Neale, Marcou, Ingleton, Dunkley.

FOOTSCRAY 23.18 (156) d GEELONG 13.13 (91)
GOALS: FOOTSCRAY: O'Keefe 5, Nicol 4, Kolyniuk 4, Macpherson 2, James 2, Cronan, Atkins, Somerville, M. Hogg, Vilcins, Bamblett. GEELONG: Russell 2, Morgan 2, Christensen 2, Whyte, Excell, Baldwyn, Smith, Hill, T. Bourke, Gills.
BEST: FOOTSCRAY: Atkins, Wynd, O'Keefe, James, Wigney, Nicol. GEELONG: D. Morgan, P. Baldwin, M. Gurrie, D. Russell, D. Deeneman, D. Troy.

ESSENDON 15.10 (100) d CARLTON 10.13 (73)
GOALS: ESSENDON: Plain 5, Stubbs 5, Merryweather, A. Reynolds, Winton, C. Daniher, N. Walsh. CARLTON: Hanna 3, Poursanidis 2, Francis 2, Brown, O'Sullivan, Gallagher.
BEST: ESSENDON: Baker, Hicks, Winton, Plain, P. O'Brien, A. Reynolds. CARLTON: M. Gallagher, M. Hanna, K. Hunter, D. Noonan, M. Sciciuna.

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SANFL

CENTRAL DISTRICT	6.7	7.11	12.14	14.18	102
WEST ADELAIDE	3.0	5.2	8.3	15.5	95

GOALS: CENTRAL DISTRICT: McAdam 4, Graham, Bubner, Handley 2, Chaplin, Girdham, Lally, Van Dommele. WEST ADELAIDE: Miller 4, Winter, Twomey 3, James 2, Herbert, Sporn, Shaw.
BEST: CENTRAL DISTRICT: Chaplin, McAdam, Thomas, Lee, Lounder. WEST ADELAIDE: Burgess, Goss, Lamb, Fielke, Shaw.

STURT	7.5	12.8	14.10	20.12	132
NORTH ADELAIDE	3.3	6.7	10.11	12.14	86

GOALS: STURT: Kitschke 6, Flueld, S. Russell 4, Ey, Schache 2, Welsby, Lennon. NORTH ADELAIDE: Roberts 6, D. Jarman, Kupsch 2, Sims, Sanders.
BEST: STURT: S. Russell, Kitschke, Field, Smith, Schache. NORTH ADELAIDE: J. Riley, Craig, Roberts, Carlaw, Kupsch.

WOODVILLE	3.4	6.6	12.8	15.8	74
NORWOOD	2.2	4.10	5.11	10.14	74

GOALS: WOODVILLE: Nichols 6, Klemmn, Harris 3, Klug, Fuller, Panizza. NORWOOD: Rowe 3, R. Maynard 2, Balme, Anderson, Payne, McNeil, Ducker.
BEST: WOODVILLE: Harris, Champion, Parsons, Negri, Nichols. NORWOOD: Rowe, Anderson, R. Maynard, Scanlon, Fosdike.

WEST TORRENS	4.5	7.8	15.14	18.18	126
GLENELG	5.1	12.2	15.4	16.7	103

GOALS: WEST TORRENS: Werner 7, Hanna 4, Morphett 2, Payze, M. Long, Robson, Sziller, Graham. GLENELG: Christie, Chigwidden 2, Kruse, Hewett, Ralph 2, Gibbs, MacTavish, Salisbury, Marshall.
BEST: WEST TORRENS: Long, Werner, Robson, Christensen, Hanna. GLENELG: McDermott, Stringer, MacTavish, Temay, Hewett.

PORT ADELAIDE	5.4	13.16	19.22	33.24	222
SOUTH ADELAIDE	5.1	6.1	10.3	10.3	63

GOALS: PORT ADELAIDE: Hodges 6, Foster 5, Kerr, Johnston 4, Hynes, Smith 3, Ginever, Williams 2, Abernethy, Kennedy, Mahney, Warton. SOUTH ADELAIDE: Stoeckel 3, Kappler 2, Hewitt, Dewhirst, Foster, Hampel, Schmid.
BEST: PORT ADELAIDE: Simpson, Johnson, Ginever, Leslie, Harrison. SOUTH ADELAIDE: Smart, Dewhirst, Foster, Aitken, Baker.

SUNDAY FOOTBALL LEAGUE

MANDURAH 10.20 (80) d APPLECROSS 6.4 (40)
GOALS: MANDURAH: Williams, Rowe, Hall, Maisey 2, McMahon, Poultney 1. APPLECROSS: Taylor 2, Harding, Latimer, Reeves, Henley 1.
BEST: MANDURAH: G. Evans, S. Green, G. Poultney. APPLECROSS: B. Rowlings, R. Argoon, T. Reeves.

MADDINGTON 10.12 (72) d KALAMUNDA 8.10 (58)
GOALS: MADDINGTON: A. Kiernan 4, Williams 3, Colquhoun, Davis, Lambkin 1. KALAMUNDA: Armstrong 3, Huntley 2, Dover, Hagdorn, Virgo 1.
BEST: MADDINGTON: A. Kinross, M. Bond, C. Tendardi. KALAMUNDA: R. Ellard, M. Fuller, J. Peczka.

THORNLIE 9.8 (62) d ARMADALE 7.12 (54)
GOALS: THORNLIE: R. Smith 8, R. Cooper 1. ARMADALE: Cornell 4, J. Menzies 2, Henderson 1.
BEST: THORNLIE: C. Davies, R. Smith, W. Hardie. ARMADALE: M. Hill, A. Henderson, J. Menzies.

KENWICK 14.10 (94) d KELMSCOTT 9.13 (67)
GOALS: KENWICK: P. Ashworthg 7, D. Ashworth, Boundry, McDonald, Rhodes, R. Smith, K. Tendardi, Wheelock 1. KELMSCOTT: Davis 4, Renton 3, O'Donnell, Walker 1.
BEST: KENWICK: R. Smith, P. Ashworth, K. Tenardi. KELMSCOTT: R. Morgan, A. Walker, M. Spilsbury.

GOSNELLS 21.17 (143) d SOUTH PERTH 7.7 (49)
GOALS: GOSNELLS P. McGilvray, G. Comerford 5, Williams, Strickland, Triplett 2, Browne, O'Keefe, Valli, Ward 1. SOUTH PERTH: Capriotti, Hayward, Giancola, Symons, Dymock, Kane, Dunn 1.
BEST: GOSNELLS: R. Zupanovich, P. Volich, G. Comerford. SOUTH PERTH: R. Kane, N. Howard, C. Kirkpatrick.

CANNING 14.9 (93) d OSBORNE PARK 9.10 (64)
GOALS: CANNING: Davis 4, Hayward 3, Bosustow, Johns 2, Hunter, O'Leary, Norrish 1. OSBORNE PARK: Gomm, Roberts 3, Bownes, Stephenson, Woods 1.
BEST: CANNING: S. Wiskens, T. Watson, P. Wearing. OSBORNE PARK: M. Bartlett, M. Gomm, D. Woods.

WANNEROO 13.16 (94) d WILLETTON 6.16 (52)
GOALS: WANNEROO: Rogers, Waddell 3, Fraser 2, Carter, Jansen, Johns, Kickett, Moyses 1. WILLETTON: Gibbs 4, Flowers, G. Miller 1.
BEST: WANNEROO: M. Paterson, D. Crute, P. Moyses. WILLETTON: R. Crouch, C. Flowers, J. Walsh.

OTHER STATES

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DIV I: BOX HILL 12.18 (90) d SANDRINGHAM 5.9 (39); FRANKSTON 18.8 (116) d PORT MELBOURNE 10.13 (73); PRESTON 10.11 (71) d PRAHRAN 3.8 (26); BRUNSWICK 7.5 (47) d WILLIAMSTOWN 4.7 (31).

DIV II: SUNSHINE 13.12 (90) d DANDENONG 3.5 (23); OAKLEIGH 7.10 (52) d WERRIBEE 3.4 (22).

ACTFL — MANUKA WESTON 34.16 (220) d TUGGERANONG 3.9 (21); AINSLIE 15.10 (100) d EASTLAKE 12.14 (86); QUEANBEYAN 15.14 (104) d BELCONNEN 10.6 (66).

TASMANIA: TFL — LAUNCESTON 18.13 (121) d CLARENCE 7.6 (48); SANDY BAY 19.17 (131) d S. LAUNCESTON 10.10 (70); NORTH HOBART 20.7 (127) d DEVONPORT 12.15 (87); GLENORCHY 23.14 (152) d NEW NORFOLK 8.10 (58); BURNIE 23.9 (147) d HOBART 11.12 (78).

NTFL — ULVERSTONE 16.15 (111) d DELORAINE 12.9 (81); SCOTTSDALE 18.16 (124) d LATROBE 10.4 (64); LAUNCESTON 16.12 (108) d GEORGE TOWN 10.12 (72).

QAFL: CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL — WINDSOR ZILLMERE 21.15 (141) d GOLD COAST 11.9 (75).

WAFL UNDER-19s

EAST PERTH 13.11 (89) d SWAN Districts 1.3 (9)
GOALS: EAST PERTH: Dikoli 2, Kerimofski 2, Annison 2, Softly 2, Jakovich 2, Cumming 1, Johnson 1, Salmon 1, Carter 1. SWAN DISTRICTS: Fisher 1.
BEST: EAST PERTH: Annison, Baron, Carter. SWAN DISTRICTS: Higgins, Ryan, Nesbit.

SOUTH FREMANTLE 8.9 (57) d PERTH 2.5 (17)
GOALS: SOUTH FREMANTLE: L. Jenkins 2, Jakovich, Smith, Rummer, Fulton, Eves, Filmer 1. PERTH: Cox 2.
BEST: Mosconi, Scott, Writh. PERTH: Pears, Moreschini, Clement.

SUBIACO 9.17 (71) d EAST FREMANTLE 1.2 (8)
GOALS: SUBIACO: Port 3, Graham 2, Hunter 2, Stannage 1, Zampogna 1. EAST FREMANTLE: McHugh 1.
BEST: SUBIACO: Chaplin, Walker, Burton. EAST FREMANTLE: Hansen, Anderson, Whittaker.

CLAREMONT 6.5 (41) d WEST PERTH 3.4 (22)
GOALS: CLAREMONT: Ridley 2, Guard 1, Cunningham 1, Barrows 1, Creed 1. WEST PERTH: Sing 2, Jeps 1.
BEST: CLAREMONT: Barrows, Mann, Hann. WEST PERTH: Hunter, Stevens, Worrell.

WAFL PRIME RESERVES

EAST PERTH	5.1	9.5	11.8	16.10	106
SWAN DISTRICTS	0.3	0.6	2.7	2.8	20

GOALS: EAST PERTH: Miller 4, Marron 2, Seymour 2, Host 2, Chalmers 2, Edmondson, Sharpe, Ward, Atwell 1. SWAN DISTRICTS: Forbes, Hooper 1.
BEST: EAST PERTH: S. Evans, Rose, Edmondson, Sharpe, P. Evans, Miller. SWAN DISTRICTS: Ward, Scanlon, Moss, Walker, Hawes, Ogg.

WEST PERTH	2.1	2.3	4.7	6.13	49
CLAREMONT	2.2	2.5	2.5	2.6	18

GOALS: WEST PERTH: Howlett 2, King 1, Bradmore 1, Repacholl 1, Lucaloau 1. CLAREMONT: Passera 2.
BEST: WEST PERTH: Biffin, Dunkeld, Whatmore, G. Holden, Sanzone, Woodroffe. CLAREMONT: Painter, Southern, McIntosh, Passera, Beveridge, Burton.

PERTH	0.4	3.5	6.7	8.10	58
SOUTH FREMANTLE	3.1	3.5	4.7	5.8	38

GOALS: PERTH: Mount 2, Yarran 2, Carter 2, Kelly 1, Baker 1. SOUTH FREMANTLE: Williams 2, Maskos 1, Ryder 1, Morgan 1.
BEST: PERTH: Kelly, Papotto, Buck, Vanstam, Fancote, Hunter. SOUTH FREMANTLE: Grant, Christian, Garm, Clancy, Morgan, Flugge.

EAST FREMANTLE	1.4	4.6	5.6	6.6	42
SUBIACO	1.3	1.9	2.11	3.11	29

GOALS: EAST FREMANTLE: Waterson 2, Rowe 1, Buss 1, Congleton 1, Donovan 1. SUBIACO: Johnson 2, Golding 2.
BEST: EAST FREMANTLE: Wolf, Rowe, Cole, Read, Hall, Congleton. SUBIACO: Caldow, Slade, Sloan, Lindberg, Golding, Field.

METROPOLITAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE

MANNING 10.9 (69) d FREMANTLE 9.6 (60)
GOALS: MANNING: Hayden 4, Flinn 2, Young, Mansbridge, Sofoulis, Wilson 1. FREMANTLE: Perring, Brown 2, J. Gonella, P. Gonella, K. Slater, Thorne, Strnadica 1.
BEST: MANNING: M. Reynolds, R. Bernotavicius, D. Hayden. FREMANTLE: J. Allen, J. Gonella, R. Slater.

MOSMAN PARK 23.17 (155) d MIDLAND 3.7 (25)
GOALS: MOSMAN PARK: Southam 7, Burke, Picken 3, Anderson, Cunningham, Price 2, S. Earl, Pedri, Inman, May 1. MIDLAND: Taylor, Baker, Lambie 1.
BEST: MOSMAN PARK: Tim Shackleton, D. Holmes, D. Southam. MIDLAND: W. Sneddon, S. Mills, P. Lloyd.

KWINANA 14.10 (94) d COCKBURN 8.9 (57)
GOALS: KWINANA: Brazier 5, Bennell 3, Jackson 2, E. Dann, Edgar, A. Morley, B. Little 1. COCKBURN: Pearce 4, Ugle 2, Gore, G. McCarthy 1.
BEST: KWINANA: T. Cullinane, B. Winmar, A. Morley. COCKBURN: C. Harris, B. Ugle, G. McCarthy.

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CLOSE ENCOUNTERS

Cliffhangers a big fillip for the VFL

WHILE the politics of football continues to hog the spotlight here in Perth, the VFL is understandably delighted with its competition overall ... in particular the competitiveness of the competition.

It's fair to say that the grandstand finish of last season is unlikely to be repeated.

Going into the final set of fixtures in 1987 every position in the five was subject to change with Melbourne, Geelong and Footscray struggling to scramble in.

Nevertheless the VFL has produced some figures which underline just how even the 1988 season has been to date.

Of the 119 games played so far this season 46 of them (39 per cent) have been decided by four goals or less.

Leigh Matthews ... under pressure.

It has also become clear that a four-goal lead, even late in a game, is little guarantee of victory.

It's interesting, too, that 21 per cent of all matches have been won by the side trailing at half-time.

STOUT DEFENCE

One of the major reasons for these figures would seem to be the inability of some teams to kick a lot of goals.

Or perhaps it's more a question of the return to footy of some good old-fashioned defence.

Despite the fact they've kicked 100 points or more only four times this season Melbourne have still managed to win 12 of 17.

Likewise, Collingwood have passed the century on only four occasions.

Hawthorn, Melbourne and Carlton have won 38 matches between them and in 16 of those victories the margin was 24 points or less.

St Kilda, last on the ladder, have been beaten by four goals or less in nine of their 13 losses.

There's also plenty of evidence to suggest that if the 'game of the day' supporter is on the ball, his chances of seeing a close finish are pretty good.

There have been nine rounds this year where three or more games have been decided by 24 points or less.

COMETTI

By Channel 7 commentator DENNIS COMETTI

A lot is made of fast scoring in modern football but it seems, this season at least, it's happening at both ends of the ground.

These figures are interesting in themselves but they also point to the fact that whichever team from the battling quartet of Essendon, Sydney, the Eagles and Footscray makes it to the five, they might not be the lame duck everyone is predicting.

The margin for error with sides that leave their opponents in the game for more than three quarters is pretty slim.

Melbourne and Collingwood have made a living by winning games that way this season but the signs are there that the week-in, week-out strain of winning under that sort of pressure may be taking its toll.

If the Eagles can salvage a bit of unity in the next month, the likes of the Demons and the Magpies are no good things at Subiaco Oval and, no matter who gets there, fifth place might not be just a question of making up the numbers.

Modern footy has its drawbacks

THERE'S a couple of things about football today-style that don't really get my adrenalin pumping any more.

Mind you, there's still plenty of things that are great, such as seeing the Eagles in full flight, or watching the exciting young Claremont Tigers go flat out, or even experiencing an East Perth victory.

But three little things disappoint me about the modern-age brand of football. And I won't win many friends among the senior coaches by having a little grumble. But then, it's my column, so here goes.

Grumble No. 1: Handball — and its over-use.

The game is called football, which means that the foot should be used to propel the ball; the leather item that really matters.

In recent years, handball has taken over. Most sides who win games nowadays have more handballs than could ever be imagined a decade ago.

OFF-GUARD

Handball is great when it comes to getting the leather moving, to catch the opposition off-guard and to transfer play quicker than the speed of foot.

But today's footballers use it as a first preference, simply because the coach says use handball. There's far too many instances of players handballing to a teammate in a worse position, handballing backwards or just handballing that once too often.

Some of the old-time coaches had a philosophy of one handball, one kick — and that still makes sense in today's game.

With this over-use of handball, the game the cynics call aerial pingpong might soon be labelled as an offshoot of volleyball!

Grumble No. 2: Kicking — Little League style.

I'm not necessarily talking about small kicks; simply those that go across the ground, like those little kids who provide the half-time entertainment.

What was commonly called "switching the play" a few years abck has now become common-place. Why go straight down the middle and get from goal-to-goal in just two or three kicks, when you can notch up seven or eight team possessions by going across the park?

AND LASTLY

with ALAN EAST

That's the question, and I guess the answer is that there's too much emphasis on retaining possession without taking risks, especially in a defensive situation.

Some of today's WAFL teams should be ashamed of the way they switch play, especially across the dangerous half-back line.

How many times do you see defenders swing inboard and go right across ground looking for the expected loose man running up out of a back pocket, or drifting down from a half-forward flank?

Sure, sometimes it comes off. But you only need ONE mistake and it's a goal — and how many games are won by a goal or less?

Down the middle is still the best way to go, even if today's coaches disagree.

Grumble No. 3: The drop kick — and its demise.

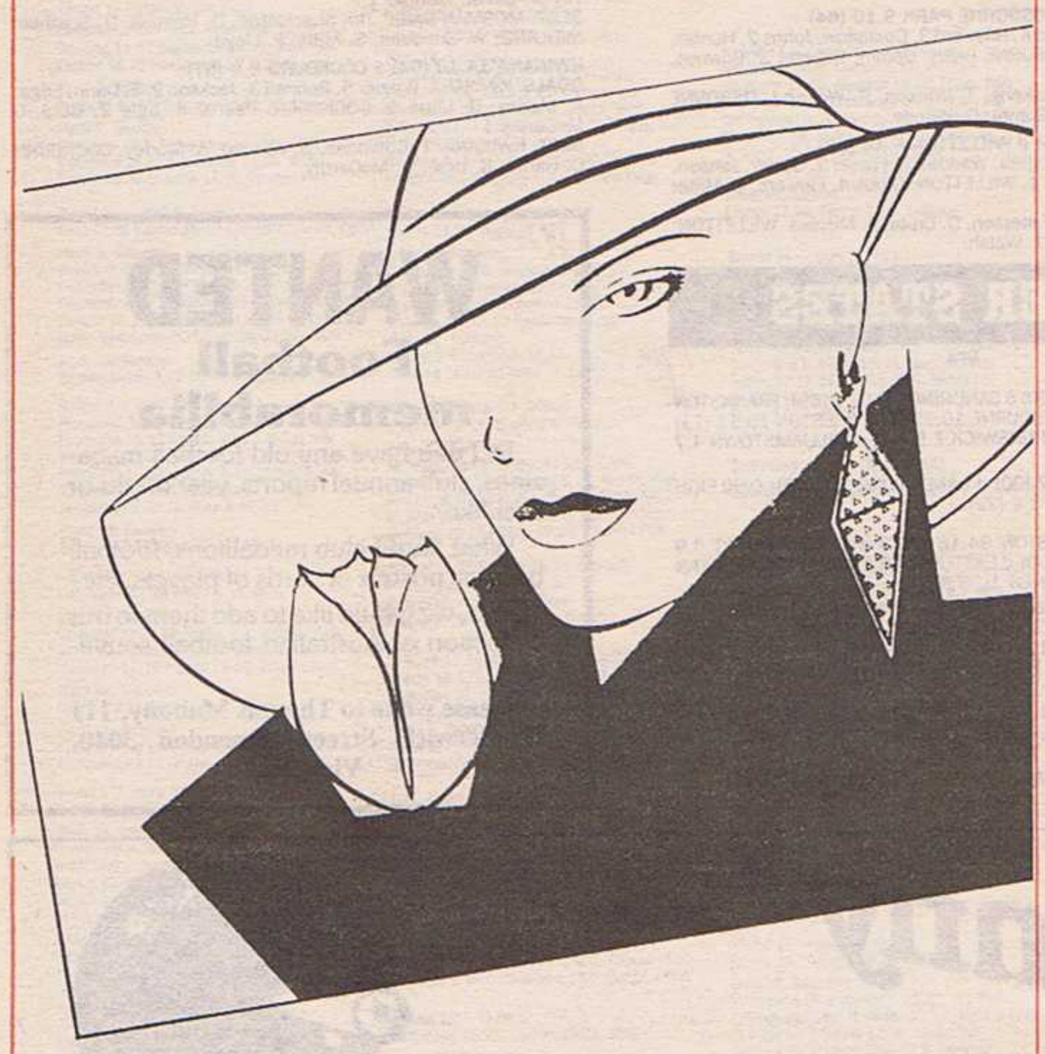
Not quite in the old-timer category, but I still remember the Jack Sheedy, Barry Cable-type dropkicks — and I still reckon they would be safer than some of today's handball and kicking!

While realising that modern-day coaches (especially in Victoria) eliminated the drop kick a decade or so ago because of its "unsuitability" for fast-running football, I still believe that the drop kick could have a place in today's football.

How about those 65-metre drop kicks, pinpointed to a man, out of defence by the Brian Sarre-types?

My bunch of 10-year-olds who put up with my coaching twice a week don't really know why they're made to practice this "drop kick".

They'll never use it, I guess, but it's fun teaching them the best kick of all.



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