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# WHO WILL IT BE?



IT'S that time of the year again ... who will win the ultimate battle of the jungle?

The rejuvenated Subiaco Lions, led by wily old coaching master Haydn Bunton (pictured above with last week's match-winner Garry Kemp) have a second crack at the reigning jungle kings, the Claremont Tigers, led from the front-line by second-year coach Gerard Neesham.

There's no love lost between the two camps — and our great line-up of Westside Football critics examine all aspects of the game in our Grand Final Special.

And our cartoonist, Rod Waller, of *The West Australian*, has this Page One tip for our readers.



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## What they said...

"Things within the club are running extremely well at the moment." Sydney Swans general manager Barry Breen amidst reports that coach Tom Hafey was in conflict with his players.

"I have been instructed not to comment any further on this matter." Barry Breen — 24 hours later after the sacking of Tom Hafey.

"Haydn and I have discussed all the speculation and he has assured me that he will coach the club again next year." Subiaco president David Williams.

"I don't know where these rumours come from, but I will coach next year and I am looking forward to us improving our position." Perth coach Robert Wiley.

"Although you can still be a part of the team, you don't experience the same buzz as do the guys who played." Injured East Fremantle star Michael Broadbridge.

"We will defend the writ." West Perth president Brian Atkinson on legal moves by East Fremantle to be paid the \$27,500 transfer fee still owing on Andrew Purser.

"Only coach Graham Melrose, his assistant Ron Wilcox, team manager Steve Waller and general manager Bob Uittenbroek are authorised to speak to the media." An East Fremantle statement placing a media ban on the Sharks players.

"It is the height of hypocrisy that Beyer now supports the club's decision to ban the media in the lead-up to the preliminary final." Sports opinion in The West Australian by football writer Gary Stocks.

"I wish you people would ask me about these things; Bob Uittenbroek was not one of the people authorised to speak to the media." East Fremantle coach Graham Melrose.

"It was disgraceful what the Eagles did to Mark Zanotti; relegating him with only five games remaining and not giving him time to qualify for the finals." Umpires Coach Bob Phillips on radio 6PR.

"Claremont didn't ask for the inquiry into the Rod Willet incident." Tigers coach Gerard Neesham after Willet was referred to the tribunal for allegedly striking Claremont's Peter Owens.

"The ramifications of the Review of Structure could totally reshape the whole competition and I will not make any commitment until the report is released." South Fremantle coach Stan Magro on his future.

# Channel 10 looms as footy's saviour

## THE BUZZ

By football's Mr Flamboyant  
PETER BOSUSTOW



PERTH'S Channel 10 is a tune that has rung loud and clear in the ears of most West Australians in recent months.

But the State's newest television station, whether the station's hierarchy know it or not, looms as a saviour of the image and profile of league football in this State.

Since Channel 7, the station with the rights to television WAFL matches, has chosen to virtually ignore local football, the game has lost enormous appeal.

The WAFL must make determined efforts to recapture the fence-sitting fan, the supporter who is attracted to matches and the various league clubs by news he or she might hear through the media.

The print media can only do so much.

The borderline fan must also have the opportunity to make a first-hand judgement of what is on offer in league football.

With no football replays, apart from what the ABC has offered at 10.30 each Saturday night, the average footy fan has been missing out.

Channel 7, with its vast and exciting VFL coverage, is unlikely to alter its view on local football next year.

### UNATTRACTIVE

However, with Channel 10 battling to establish itself here in Perth, delayed telecasts of matches, highlights and a Sunday morning panel show surely couldn't be a loser.

Motor sport, American-based professional sport and nationwide talk-back shows on the two major commercial stations in Perth, unattractive to the hardened football fan.

Channel 10 has a big opportunity to establish respect and rekindle what used to be an institution in WA football.

What used to be the familiar faces of former football legends giving their opinions and criticism of our stars has disappeared and must be resurrected.

Football needs a lift in profile and better television coverage would attract interest and also lift the potential of advertising.

Some pundits argue that television, particularly live coverage, affects potential attendances.

Whether bums are on the seats at football grounds or not, if it's on television the game is still being taken to the fans and the ground signs are seen by football enthusiasts and probably even more important, the non-converted fan.



## LES'S LYRICS

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

## Well done David ...

Congratulations to David Bain Sandover Medallist for '88  
He's proved size doesn't count  
If your skills and courage are great.

Though very small in stature  
He's certainly passed the test  
Now he's wearing a medal  
That proves he's one of the best.

We also applaud Craig Edwards  
The runner-up this year  
Only two votes from greatness  
So he also deserves a cheer.

And now we wait for Sunday  
When the Lions and Tigers meet.  
Our Bicentennial Grand Final  
Should be a football treat.

With both teams at full strength  
And players eager to win.  
Will it be Bunton or Neesham  
Whose face will be wearing a grin.

Channel 2 has done a sterling job in 1988, as it has in the past, with a weekly live telecast to the country and by extending coverage with the Saturday night review of the day's football.

And old Auntie ABC can take great credit for the splendid manner with which it presented the Sandover Medal count on Monday night.

At least the night-of-nights for players retained its rightful place in the eye of one television station.

But city-based fans deserve even more and Channel 10 has a perfect chance to capitalise.

### Bain now a VFL candidate

WA's latest Sandover Medallist, David Bain, must now be considered a VFL candidate.

After suffering the indignity of being dumped by the Eagles without trial last

year, when some lesser qualified players were retained on the West Coasters' senior list, his Sandover Medal win on Monday confirms his status as one of the State's finest ball-getters.

Bain, 22, is not the most solid player around, but nor is Hawthorn's John Platten.

It is understood the Eagles are still not interested in Bain.

The fact that the gutsy Royal registers statistics of around 30 possessions a game in a side that only won five games for the year indicates that he has a capacity to get hold of the footy.

There certainly isn't anybody giving it out to the little fellow too often. He deserves a break.

Imagine where Platten might be if the 1988 VFL premiership favourites had claimed "he was too light" for the hustle and bustle of Victorian football. Tip: Claremont ... easy.

# FOOTY PUNCHLINES

### YEAR OF '88

If there's anything you need to know and remember about the football season of 1988, a small \$2 investment will solve the problem. The 26th edition of the Football Register will be on sale at this Sunday's WAFL grand final and then in most newsagencies from next week. The 144-page publication covers the day-by-day football action — on and off the field — right from last year's grand final. Every aspect of football is recorded, from weekly scores to interstate matches and full player details.

### ROSCO'S FUTURE

WEST Coast Eagles skipper Ross Glendinning seems pretty certain to continue his playing career next year. Speaking with David Christison on Channel Seven on Sunday, Glendinning said that he felt capable of another season of competition, but wanted to have a break for a while before making a final decision. "Physically, I'm not too badly off, but mentally it could be hard coming up again after 15 years," he said. Glendinning is such a key figure in the team's on-field strategy — and off-field motivation — that the Eagles will do everything possible to help freshen up his mental approach.

### ... AND OTHERS

FOOTBALL legends Barry Cable and Graham Farmer also seem likely to stay with the West Coasters next season. Chief executive Bill Kerr, also speaking on Channel Seven, indicated that both men would probably be with the Eagles again next year. "We'll be talking to them shortly, but I would think that they will stay with us," said Kerr. "It's really a question of how they feel."

### SENSITIVE ISSUE

THE running on and off field battles between Claremont and Subiaco have simmered over into the tribunal room quite often this season. The latest incident that saw Subiaco's Rod Willet up on a striking charge (to eventually be dismissed) came about without an umpire's report. The matter was referred to the tribunal by WAFL chief executive Peter Cummiskey, but Tigers coach Gerard Neesham was keen to put his club's situation on the line. "We definitely didn't ask the League to look at the incident," he said.



Willetton primary school student Raf Baugh had plenty to boast about this week — as this picture of him with some of his favourite Eagles players shows. Raf won the Tip Top White Hyfibe competition and collected an Eagles pack — an autographed football, Eagles scarf, beanie, guernsey, cap, stickers and a team poster. He's pictured with two of his favourite players, Chris Lewis and David Hart. The 10-year-old Raf plays with the Willetton 10s, who won their lightning carnival recently.

### COLLIE-WHAT?

THE age-old question of the Colliwobbles came up again with the famous Collingwood club in the VFL finals. Coach Leigh Matthews, who would have thrived on the Colliwobbles while playing with Hawthorn through their many finals, must be puzzled as to the real effect of the tag. "I don't know what the definition of Colliwobbles really is," he says. "But if we lose, I guess people will bring it up again."

### OUT OF BOUNDS

THE introduction of the out-of-bounds rule has been a good one for football ... with one exception. The accidental kick by a player running flat out towards the boundary line shouldn't be penalised, especially if the ball comes off a player's knee or shin. Eminent critic Geoff Christian raised the point on radio 6NR last week and it makes sense to eliminate such accidental kicks on the full.

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## SANDOVER SIDELINES

### Bain pays his Medal tributes

DAVID Bain, the modest 1988 Sandover Medallist, wasn't forgetting his club when he received his biggest football honour on Monday night.

The fragile-looking, but highly-courageous rover was quick to praise the East Perth Football Club, his coach Gerard McNeill and his teammates after his thrilling two-vote win.

The Royals camp had mixed feelings as one of their former players took the runners-up role in Craig Edwards, now with South Fremantle.

"I am grateful to the many people who encouraged me to greater things this year," said Bain.

"It's been a tough year with East Perth, but I'm very proud to be part of a club that has so much tradition."

"This is certainly my most fantastic moment; I just can't believe it."

Bain has always been an eye-catcher with the umpires, so it seems.

Back in 1984 when Bain was playing with the East Perth colts, he was runner-up to South Fremantle's Stephen Rowe by one vote in the Medallists Medal.

Then, in his first year with the league side, he played in 20 senior games and topped the club's Sandover Medal voting, finishing in the top six players.

This year he dominated the best-on-ground voting, getting the five votes from the umpires six times — an impressive tally of first votes.

#### LUCKY SPONSOR

FRANK Michell, the chairman of major football sponsors SGIO, seems to have the touch when it comes to raffle tickets. He was the winner of the Australian Airlines trip for two to the VFL preliminary final that was raffled at the Sandover Medal night — and that's just a few weeks after he won an Eagles raffle that had a trip to the VFL grand final as a prize. He donated the grand final trip to the SGIO social club — and says this week's trip could go the same way.

#### PERCY'S REWARD

THERE'S no more loyal servant of WAFL football than Percy Johnson — and he reaped some reward at Monday's Sandover Medal count. He took second prize of \$200 when he drew Craig Edwards in a Medal sweep. South Fremantle supporter Terry Dean collected \$300 for drawing winner David Bain — but wished it had been Edwards instead! Sunny Citrus State manager Gordon Cooper, a member of the jubilant Royals camp, picked up \$100 for having Don Pyke's name on his ticket.

## Watch for our grand final special!

NEXT week's edition of Westside Football is a must for all footy fans — Eagles, WAFL or whatever.

It's our annual grand final wrap-up edition, plus the best pictures of the year.

We'll dig into our photographic files to remind you of the year that was — and we'll have the best coverage of the WAFL grand final, as we always do!

There will be a special feature on the VFL draft and an exclusive insight to the WAFL stars of the future.

If footy's your game, then next week's Westside Football is a must.



Royal smiles ... Sandover Medallist David Bain is surrounded by jubilant teammates (from left) Angelo Del Borrello, Grant Campbell, Gavin Hawkins, Butch Baroni, former champion Peter Spencer, Glen Bartlett and George Giannakis.

## Draft brings out the cheque books

THE draft has bought every VFL club administrator to town.

Can you imagine the wining and dining that is now taking place?

The expense accounts of these officials will be mounting together with their airfare and accommodation bills.

Each administrator, often more than one from each club, will fly to Perth at least three times, as well as Tasmania, South Australia and possibly Brisbane and the Northern Territory.

Then they'll fly their recruits, and often members of a player's family, to Melbourne for the VFL grand final.

The Eagles are apparently flying ten players to Melbourne and the amount spent on plane bills would make interesting reading.

Each club will be spending at least \$50,000 directly or indirectly and many will approach \$100,000, making an all-up bill of around \$1 million.

#### INVESTMENT

Is it all worth it?

If one of the recruits turns out to be a very good player then the investment has been worthwhile.

But before a recruit leaves his home State, he's going to want a signing-on fee of \$30,000 to \$50,000.

Then he's going to demand a contract which gets paid whether he plays league or not or perhaps a deal in terms of \$40,000 a season and \$1000 a game in the first year, \$1250 in the second and \$1500 in the third.

Generally contracts are going to range from \$50,000 through to \$120,000 (a number of Swans players are reputed to be getting \$120,000).

When a player does move East he may need to take furniture as well as his car. The expenses quickly mount for the recruiting club.

So the pressure will be placed right on these recruits to produce.

The percentage of failures will be much higher in coming years than in the past.

In previous years most players were selected after representing WA against Victoria and also after a qualifying period of five years, 100 games or reaching 24 years of age.

#### MAD SCRAMBLE

Basically a player had to prove himself before being approached.

Now in the mad scramble, any player over 19 years of age can be selected.

### ALEXANDER'S ANGLE

with Ron Alexander



A high percentage of these players haven't established their football credentials and will fall by the wayside.

This will cause much personal trauma for the young men that find themselves 4000 kilometres away from the support of their family and friends.

### What next for Hafey?

TOM Hafey hasn't been officially sacked from the Sydney Swans.

He is reputedly on a contract worth \$210,000 a year that has two years left to run.

The VFL own the Sydney Swans and this represents a payout of \$420,000.

Rumour has it that the VFL is trying to persuade one of its coachless clubs to employ Hafey and so reduce the figure that they have to pay out.

Tom Hafey may not like the idea though and could just sit tight and await a payout.

### Bunton holds all the aces

HAYDN Bunton sure can get the best out of the teams he coaches.

His effort in getting Subiaco over the line last Saturday was superb.

He now holds all the aces as far as motivation is concerned.

After being thrashed in last year's grand final and thrashed again in this year's second semi, he has been able to fine-tune his side to a point where they are in with a big chance.

It makes for a fascinating final, made all the more interesting with the likelihood that Gerard Neesham will be playing his last game of league football.

It is certainly going to be a grand final with no love lost between the two teams.

CHANNEL Two's coverage of the Sandover Medal was of a high standard and all the emotions of the players were captured by the cameras as the vote-counting drew to an end. However, presenter Keith Slater showed that he possessed some previously unknown qualities with his crystal ball. Slater used the crystal ball to predict the winner and, in the end, it proved correct. So if you ever want your palm read or your future told do not waste money with gypsies — see Keith Slater!

WEST Perth rookie Malcolm Williams has had a fine season, capped off with this excellent performance in the Sandover Medal. In his first season, the slightly-built Williams polled 22 votes to finish as his team's highest vote-getter, with another rookie Neil Jackson also polling well on 14.

Both these players have taken the WAFL by storm in their first season and should feature in the VFL draft for next season.

Williams was the best performer among the 1988 first-year players.

WEST Perth's Paul Hasler was one of his team's most consistent players, finishing equal second with Mal Williams (behind Craig Turley) in the Westside Ratings. But the umpires overlooked him, awarding him only one vote.

THREE former Sandover Medallists played in the WAFL this year — and all polled votes. Last year's winner Mark Watson (Perth) polled 17 votes to be his club's third-highest vote-getter; Brian Peake, the 1977 winner, received eight votes and 1985 winner Murray Wrensted received three votes in his five games back with the Sharks.

NO player polled votes in all three grades — as has happened occasionally in the past. East Fremantle pair Craig MacLean and Glen Symonds, Perth's Brad Fox, Subiaco's Jonas Lindberg and West Perth's Nathan Higgins were the only players to poll votes in the colts Medallists Medal and also play league football. None of them polled a vote in the Sandover Medal, but Symonds and Fox received votes in the reserves as well.

A NUMBER of prominent players did well while playing in the reserves, either after being relegated or coming back from injury. East Fremantle's David Rankin polled nine votes in the Prendergast Medal; Bill Skwirowski (Swans) got 10, Allen Daniels (Perth) four and Perth captain-coach Rob Wiley and East Fremantle's Brian Peake got two votes — probably the only Prendergast votes the pair have ever polled!



# SCIO PLAYER PROFILES

Finals  
Fever



**Greg  
Carpenter**

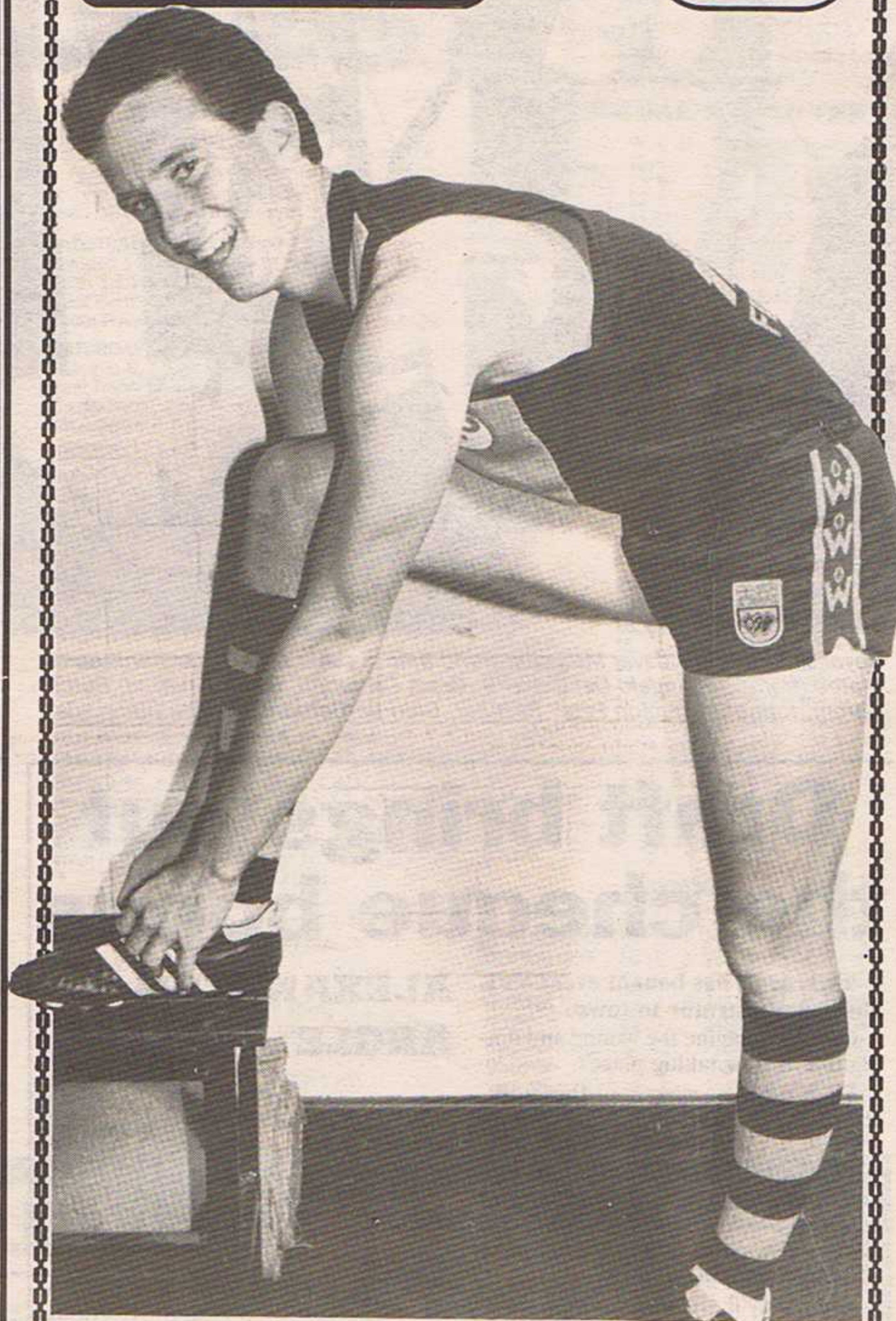


**Full Name:** Greg Carpenter.  
**Nickname:** Karl. *Why:* After Karl Marx.  
**Date of Birth:** May 23, 1962. **Place of Birth:** Albany.  
**Height:** 181cm (5ft 11in). **Weight:** 80kg (12st 8lb).  
**Age Started Playing:** 8.  
**Previous Clubs:** Royals in Albany and East Perth.  
**Junior Club:** Royals.  
**Marital Status:** Engaged. **Girlfriend's Name:** Leanne.  
**Residence:** Karrinyup.  
**Occupation:** Racing supervisor.  
**Place of Work:** WA Turf Club.  
**Other Sporting Interests:** Basketball, golf and horse racing.  
**Favourite Position:** Centre. **First Position:** Wing.  
**League Debut:** 1982. **Versus:** Perth.

#### FAVOURITES:

**Actor:** Spencer Tracy and Humphrey Bogart. **Drink:** Bourbon and Coke.  
**TV Show:** Seven National News. **Food:** Steamboat.  
**Movie:** The Big Chill.  
**Music:** Talking Heads.  
**Holiday Resort:** Pattaya, Singapore.  
**Ground:** Perth Oval and Subiaco Oval.  
**Your Car:** Gemini. **Favourite Car:** Mercedes.  
**Career Highlights:** 1980 under-19s premiership, 1981 reserves premiership (with East Perth) and 1986 Subiaco League premiership.  
**Worst Moment in Football:** Losing the 1987 grand final.  
**Hard Things in Football:** Sunday morning training.  
**Football Idols:** None.  
**Toughest Opponent:** All tough. **Most Respected Opponent:** All respected.  
**Most Respected Umpire:** Phil O'Reilly.  
**Most Memorable Game:** The 1986 grand final.  
**Football Ambitions:** To win three premierships at Subiaco.  
**What do you like about Football:** Winning and the people you meet.  
**How do you Mentally Prepare for a Game:** Try to relax on Friday night and Saturday morning.  
**Who Influenced Your Career:** Eddie Pitter and Haydn Bunton.  
**Guernsey Number:** 8. **Any Reason:** No reason.  
**Superstitions:** None.  
**Worst Injury:** Broken leg in 1983.  
**Luckiest Break:** Making my League start for East Perth in 1980 and then being cleared to Subiaco.

**Don  
Pyke**



**Full Name:** Don Pyke.  
**Nickname:** Pykie. *Why:* From my surname.  
**Date of Birth:** December 5, 1968. **Place of Birth:** Illinois, USA.  
**Height:** 179cm (5ft 10½in). **Weight:** 73kg (11st 9lb).  
**Age Started Playing:** 6.  
**Previous Clubs:** Dalkeith/Nedlands and Belconnen, in the ACT.  
**Junior Club:** Dalkeith/Nedlands.  
**Marital Status:** Single. **Girlfriend's Name:** Jodie.  
**Residence:** Peppermint Grove.  
**Occupation:** Commerce student.  
**Place of Work:** University of WA.  
**Other Sporting Interests:** Cricket, golf, tennis and basketball.  
**Favourite Position:** Rover. **First Position:** Rover.  
**League Debut:** 1987. **Versus:** East Perth.

#### FAVOURITES:

**Actor:** Eddie Murphy. **Drink:** Bourbon and Coke.  
**TV Show:** Unsolved Mysteries. **Food:** Pepper steak.  
**Movie:** Beverly Hills Cop.  
**Music:** Crowded House and George Thorogood.  
**Holiday Resort:** Narooma, NSW.  
**Ground:** Claremont Oval.  
**Your Car:** Mazda 1300. **Favourite Car:** My car.  
**Career Highlights:** Under-19s premiership in 1986, League premiership side in 1987 and two State games in 1988.  
**Worst Moment in Football:** None.  
**Hard Things in Football:** Pre-season training.  
**Football Idols:** Gary Ablett.  
**Toughest Opponent:** All tough. **Most Respected Opponent:** All respected.  
**Most Respected Umpire:** All respected.  
**Most Memorable Game:** The 1987 grand final and the State game against VFL.  
**Football Ambitions:** To play as long as I can at a level I feel I'm capable of achieving.  
**What do you like about Football:** Comradeship and the general excitement of the game.  
**How do you Mentally Prepare for a Game:** Relax as much as possible around the house without falling asleep.  
**Who Influenced Your Career:** My father, Bruce Monteath and Gerard Neesham.  
**Guernsey Number:** 6. **Any Reason:** Favourite number.  
**Superstitions:** None.  
**Worst Injury:** Slight strain of the medial ligament.  
**Luckiest Break:** Being given the chance to play League football.



Eagles No. 1 supporter



# Keene can help Lions to a flag

By **GRANT DORRINGTON**

THERE is little doubt that the two best teams over season '88 are competing for the ultimate honour — the Premiership Cup — this Sunday.

Subiaco and Claremont have enjoyed the best years in their respective clubs history during the 1980s, with premiership success and a continued presence near the top of the table.

Strong off-field organisation and guidance has led to on-field success.

Claremont have been able to outmatch the Lions over the past two seasons, winning their games with relative ease, while pushing the Lions to close defeats when beaten.

Tigers coach Gerard Neesham has most probably studied the Lions style of play closer than any other coach.

He has clearly identified the coaching strategies and methods of play adopted by the Lions and has trained his players to "counter" that playing style.

Neesham forces the Lions players to kick the ball wide, making their approach to the goals very indirect.

He also has more midfield pace to get the ball out of the centre quickly and put pressure on the Lions defence, as was clearly seen in the second semi-final.

Lions coach Haydn Bunton has had many years of experience and enters the grand final as underdog; a position he seems to thrive upon when coaching.

He will be fully aware of the Tigers strategies and be endeavouring to counter these by producing a fiercely competitive team similar to the fanatical group that won in 1986.

The key to this game will be Bunton's preliminary final "trump card" Laurie Keene.

Keene was an inspiration to his team last week, so much so that the Lions would not be in the grand final without his skill and endeavour.

Subiaco fought hard to obtain Keene's services and will be fully rewarded for their determination by taking out the 88 premiership in what will be a fiercely fought and competitive grand final.

## Grand final extravaganza

RADIO 6NR, who have called football from all parts of the country this year, from VFL, to WAFL to Sunday League, are planning a big grand final extravaganza on Saturday.

They will run a 90-minute grand final special from 8am to 9.30 with heaps of interviews and special comments as they recall some great premierships of the past.

The station's link man, Peter Vlahos, will be backed up by commentators Kim Hagdorn and Tim Flynn, plus a host of special critics such as Ian Miller.

Grand final results in the 1980s:  
 1980 — South Fremantle 23.18 b Swan Districts 15.8  
 1981 — Claremont 16.15 d South Fremantle 12.24  
 1982 — Swan Districts 18.19 b Claremont 11.12  
 1983 — Swan Districts 15.14 b Claremont 12.11  
 1984 — Swan Districts 20.18 b East Fremantle 15.12  
 1985 — East Fremantle 15.12 b Subiaco 14.13  
 1986 — Subiaco 19.16 b East Fremantle 8.13  
 1987 — Claremont 20.20 b Subiaco 10.9

**927 6NR**

VFL — Saturday from noon  
 Preliminary final, Carlton v Melbourne  
 WAFL — Sunday from 2pm  
 Grand final, Claremont v Subiaco

TOTAL FOOTBALL



# Tigers can win it for Morton



WHEN the Claremont players celebrated last year's premiership, there was one man who felt a little out of it.

Former captain Noel Morton battled injury to win back a place in the team for the finals series, but another crippling blow meant that he was an onlooker for the big day.

Morton was a key member of the Claremont premiership of 1981, a team which including outstanding players like the Krakouer brothers, Warren Ralph, Steve Malaxos, Allen Daniels, Darrell Panizza and Gary Shaw.

But the opportunity to play in a second premiership team eluded Morton.

In the middle stages of last year, Morton suffered a knee injury, but managed to get himself fit for the last qualifying game of the season and he played in the reserves game against South Fremantle.

### BACK INJURY

Instead of signalling his claim for a place in the second semi-final side, it signified the end as he incurred a painful back injury and was a spectator when the Tigers crushed Subiaco to win last year's premiership.

This time Morton is fit and he will typify the word determination.

If Claremont need any motivation to win, they need look only as far as Morton and decide to play for the former skipper, who has been one of the unsung heroes at Tigerland in recent years.

The tough, relentless defender has been a major part of one of the most successful periods in the club's history.

Whether the Tigers can give Morton the premiership he deserves remains to be seen and certainly the grand final will be tougher for the Tigers to win than the second semi-final, when Claremont jumped away to a commanding lead in the first quarter and were never headed.

### CONFIDENCE

That is unlikely to happen again and there is a strong case for a Subiaco win.

Not only do they have Laurie Keene available to balance up the big-man contests, but they are also riding high



Noel Morton ... hoping to celebrate this year.

on confidence after their "character" win over East Fremantle last Saturday.

After appearing to have lost any chance of victory when they slipped to 32 points down in the third term, the

by **REECE HOGAN**

season looked over for the Lions. But they bounced back to win a place in their fourth successive grand final.

Subiaco's problems started at the first centre bounce-down in the second semi-final and that problem can be turned around this time.

Keene will give the Lions a better chance of winning their percentage of the tap-outs. Modern day football starts from the centre and the battle of the ruckmen will play an important role in deciding the outcome.

Claremont were so destructive out of the middle in the second semi-final that the Subiaco defence was powerless to stop the onslaught.

### THREATENING

The Lions will need to tighten up their midfield man-to-man contests to help ease some of the burden on the defence.

With John Georgiades looming as the outstanding player of the finals series, Subiaco have a reliable spearhead in attack and if Breman plays at full-forward, after gaining some confidence at centre-half-back last week, the Lions look threatening.

On July 9 the two teams provided the best spectacle of the season and this could be a replica of that game. The Lions had Keene in their side on that day and he does make a difference.

## 1988 FORM GUIDE

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

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## GARY'S GOSSIP

with GARY CARVOLTH  
of 6PR Sport-n-Talk



### Neesham will be there

TAKE it from me, Gerard Neesham will play in Sunday's WAFL grand final — no risk.

In fact, my Tiger spy tells me that the members of Claremont's 1988 grand final team were told of their selection as early as last weekend.

### BUNT TO STAY

DESPITE all the rumours flying around about coaches, Haydn Bunton will be back at the helm with the Lions in 1989 — win, lose or draw on Sunday.

Don't be surprised if the club announces a second long-term contract with Bunton before much longer.

### CRICKET'S OUT

ONE of my crickering spies tells me that Karl Langdon has abandoned a promising cricket career to concentrate his full-time energies on football.

If the story is true, I know my old mate Ken Meuleman will be disappointed, as Karl was on the verge of State selection last season.

However, I reckon that the Eagles camp will be overjoyed with Langdon's decision.

### NORTH GOING SOUTH?

MY main spy in Melbourne says that North Melbourne could be based in Hobart within two years.

If you find that hard to swallow, try this one: Footscray and Fitzroy to amalgamate within two years.

If this story is true, will their combined name be Fitzcray?

### FONG THE TIP

ALL sorts of names have cropped up as likely candidates for the vacant Falcons coaching job.

However, I still believe the frontrunner for the job is Les Fong.

In my book, Les deserves the opportunity and he has a tremendous following both on and off the field at West Perth.

If I'm wrong about Fong, an outsider for the West Perth coaching position could be former Claremont champion and now Carlton veteran Ken Hunter.

### NOT INTERESTED

RON Barassi has denied that he had any interest in taking up the Sydney Swans coaching vacancy caused by Tom Hafey's sacking.

That leaves South Australian Bob Hammond as frontrunner in the Swans speculation stakes.

### MARKING TIME

BILL Kerr and Mark Zanotti were seen in what seemed to be deep and meaningful discussions last Saturday night in the Subiaco clubrooms.

I would have liked to have been a fly on the wall. Is it time for Mark to come in from the cold and become a "good Eagle" again?

### SUMICH SWITCH

TALKING about Eagles ... Peter Sumich is close to signing a contract with the West Coast management, which will see the talented Bulldog in blue and gold next season.

Meanwhile his team-mate at South Fremantle, Mark Bayliss, is being hotly pursued by Collingwood.

The Magpies are determined to get the big, burly Bulldog to Victoria next season and are making their offer almost too good to refuse.

### LIFE OF BRIAN

FINALLY, if Brian Peake is serious about coaching in 1989 and if East Perth are going to replace Gerard McNeill, I believe that East Perth and Brian Peake should get together.

Peake is said to be brilliant with younger players and we all know what an inspiration he is on the field.

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## BENNETT'S BURST

By ROBERT BENNETT  
of The Sunday Times



# Eagles player rules must be reviewed

WHAT a ridiculous situation it is when Laurie Keene can line up for Subiaco in Sunday's grand final, yet Mark Zanotti cannot.

The WAFL has bent the rules to allow Keene to play. Good luck to him, but what's the point in having rules if you're not going to abide by them?

If someone had to play six games, then it should be six games. Not perhaps or maybe.

The League claimed that Keene would have lined up for Subiaco if he had not travelled with the Eagles for a game in Melbourne — and been injured in a training session.

It's a bit like punters who have backed Beau Zam in the Caulfield or Melbourne Cup, but then asking for their money back saying they wouldn't have backed him if they knew he was going to be injured before those events.

If the League is going to be flexible with the rules, then why didn't they allow Zanotti to play with Subiaco if the Eagles were adamant he was not going to play with them again this season?

### ABSURD

It seems absurd that Keene, who was probably the Eagles most valuable player towards the end of the season, should be able to come back into the Subiaco line-up at a vital stage of the season, yet Zanotti, who probably would have been battling to hold a place in the Eagles side, couldn't.

Claremont are not in a position to grizzle; the way David O'Connell play-



Laurie Keene ... big difference.

ed for the Eagles in the final stages of the season indicates that he will be as big a bonus to them at centre-half-forward as Keene is to Subiaco.

The sort of situation that developed with Keene and Zanotti should not be repeated next year.

The WAFL is on the ropes. Attendances at the finals show that there is not a great deal of interest in the local competition.

The pressures facing the WAFL, particularly in respect of the draft, threatens to pull the plug on the local competition, both in player strength and financially.

If it is to survive, then there needs to be a total reassessment of the role played by Eagles players.

### STARS

While it may be unfair to players who prop up the local competition during the season, the WAFL needs all the stars it can get.

It will be further decimated next season by the VFL draft.

To try and retain not only credibility, but interest in the competition, the WAFL should look to lifting all restrictions on Eagles players when it comes to playing in local competition.

You can be certain of one thing. Other clubs will look to find the kind of loopholes that Subiaco exploited with Keene if the current criteria on eligibility for Eagles players to participate in final rounds continue next season.

## FOOTBALL FACTS

By top WA football historian  
DAVE CLEMENT



### History doesn't help Subiaco

SUBIACO haven't got a lot of history going for them in this week's grand final.

They have met Claremont in only four final-round games and lost them all — by 18 points in 1964, by 70 and 71 points in 1987 and by 25 points in the second semi two weeks ago.

Statistics also show that only 13 times has the second semi loser recovered to win the flag in the 57 years of the Page system. The Lions themselves were the last to do this in 1986.

East Fremantle beat them by 50 points in the second semi, but Bunton's Brigade won the premiership by 69 points.

This will be Subiaco's 14th appearance in a grand final and Claremont's 13th.

### SHARKS TALLY

HERE is some consolation for East Fremantle — their score last week of 17.19 (121) is the highest losing tally in the history of the preliminary final. Saturday was not the first time they had lost this game by one kick. In 1971 they were three points short of West Perth's total and in 1936 East Perth downed them by one point. In the 1957 preliminary final, they beat Perth by four points.

### TOUGH TASK

WERE the Eagles on a mission impossible in that elimination final? Since the introduction of the final-five system in 1972, no team has won the premiership from that game and only Collingwood (in 1980) has made the grand final.

### MEDAL HOPE

THE hot favourite for this year's Brownlow Medal, Gerard Healy, will be crossing his fingers again. In 1984, he won Melbourne's fairest and best, but teammate Peter Moore took the Brownlow. Last year Healy won the Sydney Swans award, but the men in white gave his teammate Greg Williams their top vote in the coveted award.

### ONE UP

IT'S 30 years since the great Collingwood club won their last premiership and a member of that side was 19-year-old Brian Beers. Now his son Tony has the chance to double his father's score when he lines up with the Tigers this Sunday. Tony played centre-half-back in Claremont's winning team last year, while his father would have mixed memories of his two VFL grand finals. After the 1958 victory, he tasted defeat two years later when Collingwood recorded the lowest score ever in a grand final — 2.2 against Melbourne.

### Grand final sidelights

SUBIACO have their reserves and league side in the grand final for only the second time. This last happened in 1959 when their reserves beat East Perth, but the Royals won the league flag.

OF Subiaco's 1986 premiership side only six players Clint Brown, Greg Carpenter, Brian Taylor, Laurie Keene, Ian Dargie and Rod Willet have the chance to play in two Lions premiership sides. In the last 75 years only one Subiaco footballer has achieved this — Peter Featherby.

SWAN Districts forward Eric Gorman has the grand final record of nine goals — so what is the next best? Three players have kicked eight goals — Bernie Naylor (SF) in 1953, Big Bob Johnson (EF) in 1964 (and in a losing side) and Barry Day (WP) in 1975.

Best on ground in this week's grand final will win the 103rd Simpson Medal. Young Claremont centreman Ben Allan was the 100th winner in Adelaide earlier this year.

Can Gerard Neesham make it a double?

Only two coaches in the history of the WAFL have ever won successive premierships in their first two league seasons. They were Johnny Leonard in 1934-35 with West Perth and Malcolm Atwell with Perth 1966-67.

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# The Kresta 'Blinder'

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



## Georgiades thrives in the finals

THE player-of-the-finals series to date has obviously been Subiaco centre-half-forward John Georgiades.

In the Lions second semi-final clash with Claremont, Georgiades was their only avenue for attack, kicking five goals.

He also performed superbly in their nerve-wracking clash with East Fremantle in last week's preliminary final battle.

Georgiades played a typical centre-half-forward role with strong one-grab marking and long, accurate kicking.

His marking was a treat, rarely dropping anything that came along and his six goals were a just reward.

In the first quarter, East Fremantle's Jon Derecourt was assigned to Georgiades and, unlike the first semi-final when he beat Bulldog Peter Sumich, Derecourt was unable to control the talented Lion.

Shane Ellis then had the job of minding Georgiades and was more influential. However his attacking game allowed Georgiades to drift on his own and was still able to kick goals.

Despite Georgiades excellent game, he was almost instrumental in losing it for the Lions. In the dying minutes of the game, he missed a straight-forward chance to kick the match-winning goal.

However, he made up for the error by regaining possession and passing the ball to Gary Kemp, who went on to kick the goal to win the game.

"He saved my neck," said Georgiades, who was elated after their astounding turnaround.

Georgiades says he will be working on his kicking at goal during the week and is looking forward to the big clash with Claremont in Sunday's grand final at Subiaco Oval.

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## Plenty of action from the start

THERE will be plenty of action and entertainment at Subiaco Oval on grand final day — this Sunday.

From 9am, when the Under-19s premiership battle kicks off, to 5pm, when the Bicentennial Premiership Cup, the premiership flag and player medallions are presented, football will be the theme.

A highlight of the day will be a parade before the league game featuring some of football's outstanding champions of bygone years.

Premiership coaches, captains and Simpson Medal winners in past grand finals have been invited to take part — and more than 35 bygone champions have accepted.

### PROMINENT

Prominent names in attendance will include Graham Farmer, Jack Sheedy, Sir Ross Hutchinson, John Leonard, Mal Brown, Ian Miller, Clive Lewington, Stan Heal, Ern Henfry, Frank Treasure, Mal Atwell, Ned Bull, John Todd and Barry Cable.

After the colts and reserves grand finals — at about 11.05am and 1.45pm respectively — the premiership flags will be presented, plus the Prime Cup and medallions to the reserves victors.

The Royal Show Chuting Stars parachutists, the Fifth Military District and the PLC girls bands, plus Ampol Miss Football, 18-year-old Peta Simeon, will be in the pre-match parade.

The winners of the 1988 Sandover, Prendergast and Medallist Medals will also parade, as will Perth's world champion marathon swimmer, Shelley Taylor-Smith.

The stars of tomorrow will be on display also as participants in this season's Town and Country Little League competition join the parade.

Burley will sponsor a long-kicking competition between players from the eight WAFL clubs at half-time of the League game, with \$300 worth of prizes being distributed.

The Subiaco Oval gates will open at 8am on Sunday and ground admission is \$8 adults, \$3 concession and \$2 for children.

A limited amount of reserved seats are still available at the Perth Concert Hall or His Majesty's Theatre. Any unsold seats will be on sale at the ground on Sunday.

## Simpson Medal is the reward

THE awarding of the Simpson Medal for the fairest and best player in the grand final is a reward for outstanding performance in the biggest match of the year.

In recent years the Simpson Medalist has been in the winning side — with a couple of exceptions, notably Subiaco's back pocket specialist Brian Taylor, who was in the losing team in 1985.

Back in 1981 there was a tie, with a player from both sides receiving a Medal — Gary Shaw in Claremont's winning team and Maurice Rioli from South Fremantle's losing side.

This is the line-up of recent grand final Simpson Medallists:

- 1987 — Peter Thorne (Claremont)
- 1986 — Mark Zanotti (Subiaco)
- 1985 — Brian Taylor (Subiaco)
- 1984 — Barry Kimberley (Swans)
- 1983 — Brad Shine (Swans)
- 1982 — Graham Melrose (Swans)
- 1981 — Gary Shaw (Claremont)
- Maurice Rioli (South Frem)
- 1980 — Maurice Rioli (South Frem)

# Hafey didn't deserve a knife in back

TAKING STOCK

by GARY STOCKS of The West Australian



LAST week's sacking of Sydney Swans coach Tom Hafey is yet another example of the poor old coach being made the scapegoat.

Hafey had done a marvellous job with his side, considering all the outside influences he had to combat.

The season started with so much uncertainty about the future of the Sydney club, with its owners in desperate financial trouble and the VFL having to eventually buy back the club, that Hafey's performance was highly commendable.

If there was trouble with some of the senior players, they should have been the ones to go. The club must always support the coach.

Bernard Toohey publicly criticised the coach in a newspaper article and when the club took no action over those comments it was obvious that Hafey's days were numbered.

Toohey probably felt that he was hard done by, playing much of the season off the interchange bench or with the reserves. But he should have looked a bit more closely at his own form.

### MARKETING IMAGE

He is not the type of player who could win the Swans a premiership but Hafey IS the type of coach who could take a pennant to Sydney.

In the past two seasons the Swans have lost Hafey and Warwick Capper, the two men who were so much a part of their marketing image in Sydney and were key figures in the club's attempt to establish Australian football firmly in a city where rugby league dominates conversation.

That Hafey was able to mould his team into a unit when he had only a bare 20 players who were up to VFL standard is a credit to his coaching technique.

They only narrowly missed a place in the top five and that was a great achievement when all the off-field problems were taken into account.

Whatever happened to the feeling in the Swans camp which was so evident after the Swans beat the Eagles in Sydney earlier in the year?

Captain Denis Carroll said the players would kill for Hafey.

It seems some of them might now have turned on the maestro and knifed him in the back.

Hafey is unlikely to wind up on football's scrapheap and the club which can attract him into their camp will be much the richer.

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### DON'T WRITE OFF LIONS

EVERYONE was calling out for a close final—round game and finally they got one.

The three-point preliminary final victory by Subiaco over East Fremantle last week was the tightest final—round match since East Fremantle beat East Perth by two points in the 1979 first semi-final.

After the match many people were predicting a small crowd for the grand final and that Claremont will be comfortable winners.

That might not be the case.

The addition of Laurie Keene, who has emerged as one of the best ruckmen in the country, will make life a lot tougher for Claremont.

The close finish now on the cards would bring the WA football season to a fitting climax.

### COMEBACK

SUBIACO'S comeback in the preliminary final when they turned a 32-point deficit into a three-point win over East Fremantle was nothing short of miraculous.

Two youngsters who were instrumental in the fightback were Heady and Andrew Brice, aged 18 and 20 respectively, and with only 35 games between them.

Brice's work on a half-back-flank was full of merit.

Brice has a torn knee cartilage and says he will have it removed as soon as the football season is over.

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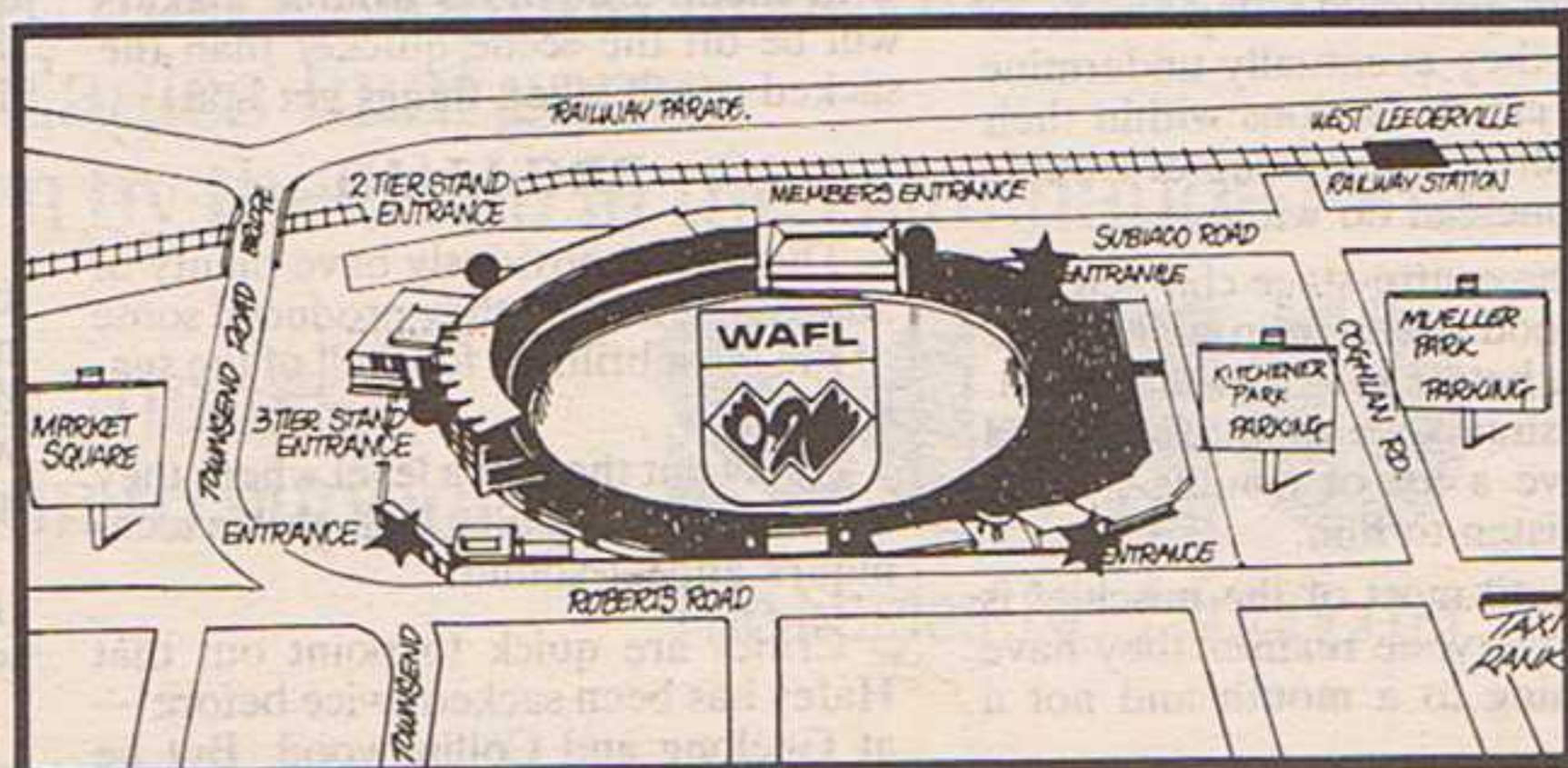
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# THE COACH.

*He's always the scapegoat!*

AS the 1988 season draws to a close, the coach casualty list begins to develop.

At this time of the year, coaches in all different levels of football start holding their breath in anticipation of having a job next year.

Football clubs enter the stage where they believe their supporters need an answer as to why the team did not win that "elusive" premiership.

Success in football is totally based on winning premierships — many club administrators believe that it hasn't been a successful season if there's no flag.

## IMPORTANT

While no one doubts that winning at a senior level is important, laying the blame on the coach often shows a lack of knowledge of the coach's role.

Too many times the players escape the "witch hunt".

Players demand payment for their performances and in many cases, their salaries are based on an inflated belief in their ability.

Teams that don't achieve premierships usually fall into two football categories:

1. Not enough good players.
2. Not enough commitment.

While the coach must be accountable, every player must also accept responsibility for his own performance.

All coaches give their best, trying to achieve that ultimate goal and it's a football tragedy when coaches are dispensed with.

The decision by the Sydney Swans to sack Tom Hafey shocked all football followers.

Hafey, one of the game's great coaches with a record number of games and a high win-loss coaching ratio, was literally cast from the game he loves so much.

When you consider the financial turmoil that the Swans were in at the start of the season — with players not being paid and creditors refusing service — the general atmosphere could not have been lower.

Hafey never went public to "tell the truth" on the administrators who had caused this dilemma. He has too much loyalty and character to turn on his club.

After all this pre-season disturbance, the Swans performance was quite outstanding.

On-field success can only come through off-field strength of management. Hawthorn epitomise this club strength.

## DORRO'S DIARY

By GRANT DORRINGTON  
Football Development Trust co-ordinator



Tom Hafey ... the victim.

Hafey was accused of working his team too hard.

Perhaps if the club administrators were accused of "working too hard" then the financial problems of the Swans would never have occurred.

To be sacked for working a team too hard is an indictment on the type of players at the club and their attitude to achieving success.

"No pain, no gain" is a widely used cliché continually quoted by champion sportsmen as the key to success.

The "pain" comes through totally committed hard work in search of success.

Hafey leaves the Swans with one of the games best coaching records when you look at his roles at Richmond, Collingwood, Geelong and Sydney.

The players win again. Get rid of the coach — "he's the reason why we didn't win the premiership."

As long as administrators continue to listen to players, their clubs will never achieve the ultimate.

## ADMIRE

Football lovers who admire what Hafey stands for in our game — self-discipline, dedication, loyalty and a devotion to the sport — will watch closely to see if the new Swans coach, selected by the players, can do any better.

No doubt the completion of the WAFL action will also see open season on coaches — we've already seen a couple under pressure.

While coaches have to cope with all the humiliation, they can always stand tall in the game's history because they have displayed sports greatest attribute — the guts to have a go.

# Swans miss the coaching message

THE average football administrator, player and even supporter would generally agree that the most important factor in a clubs search for success would be the coach.

This is particularly true when related to coaching legends such as John Todd, Haydn Bunton, Neil Kerley, David Parkin, Allan Jeans and Tom Hafey.

But that doesn't seem to apply to the Sydney Swans.

The people currently running the Swans have sacked Hafey because, word has it, some leading players didn't see eye-to-eye with him and were threatening to quit the club.

This is yet another ridiculous chapter in the repetitious football merry-go-round.

Hafey is a no-nonsense type who expects his players to give their best all the time. He doesn't differentiate between skill levels, but compares the performance of an individual against what that player is capable of.

## HURTS

The lesser lights give till it hurts and the stars are expected to do the same.

The trouble is that many of these so-called stars believe that because they are rated as match-winners, they shouldn't be under as much pressure as their mates.

If they can get the committee to listen to their grievances, legitimate or otherwise, they eventually undermine the coach; create factions within their club and start a whole heap of trouble that everyone can do without.

One of the centre-stage characters is usually a good player who believes he would do a better job than the coach. He is persuasive and popular and doesn't have a lot of trouble getting people to listen to him.

It isn't until most of the mischief is done that everyone realises they have been listening to a mouth and not a leader.

The same element often put forward views as to why the present coach is not good and why a suitable replacement should be found. The "suitable replacement" is generally someone who the trouble makers could manipulate.



Allan Jeans ... coaching legend.

Clubs with strong administrators generally stand behind their coaches and will not tolerate players interfering with his methods.

If the players don't like the way things are going, they can always seek a transfer.

Players faced with such tough administrators and coaches generally knuckle down and work harder because discipline within the club is usually strong and, accordingly, morale is high.

The Sydney Swans structure needs reviewing because they seem to lack the determination to stick with their chosen coach; particularly such a successful coach like Hafey.

They seem to believe that by sticking with the players, the players will stick with them. But those trouble makers will be off the scene quicker than the sacked coach when things get hot.

## BRILLIANT

The Swans obviously have plenty of ability and in 1987 they produced some of the most brilliant football of the season.

Hafey put them at a level where they were capable of doing well, so his techniques appear sound.

Critics are quick to point out that Hafey has been sacked twice before — at Geelong and Collingwood. But he also coached Richmond to four premierships.

It seems as though Hafey is too tough for the players. The weaker ones fall short of his standards when they have been expected to lift.

## FROM WHERE I SIT

Wheelchair sports critic  
BILL MATHER-BROWN



## STIFF LUCK EAGLES

THE West Coast Eagles were a bit unlucky to miss out on advancing a least another week in their 1988 VFL campaign.

I'm going to be gentle and let coach John Todd and his players off the hook; shrug my shoulders and just say that they were a bit stiff to lose to Melbourne.

This is a little generous on my part because they let themselves down with that shoddy third quarter.

Remember the game against St Kilda when the Eagles were playing well enough and Mainwaring ran in and kicked a goal that more or less sealed the game.

The West Coasters thought the match was over and relaxed. The Saints grabbed the bit and a game that was over one minute was suddenly alive again.

The television coverage of the Eagles-Melbourne game indicated that the half-time messages from the respective coaches were vastly contrasting.

## FIERY

Melbourne coach John Northey was fiery in his address, stirring the Demons into action. Todd apparently indicated that he was reasonably happy with their first half and told them to keep persevering.

Maybe the Eagles took this to mean that they could coast — and they walked into an avalanche of goals.

It was a different Todd at three-quarter time and he had to stir the team into a last-ditch stand.

The Eagles responded, but the damage was done and a game that should have been won by six goals went with the fickle finger of lady luck at the finish.

That was a disappointing farewell to '88 because they looked to have things under control.

The lesson should have been learned against St Kilda — don't let good teams off the hook. If you get them down, grind them into the dust!

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as follows: Tony Cope 8 Subiaco, 40  
Swan Districts.

### 100 GAMES

Mark Zanotti (Subiaco) 98\*

\*Denotes games played with all clubs  
as follows: Mark Zanotti 36 Eagles, 62  
Subiaco.

### 150 GAMES

John Annear (Eagles) 149\*

\*Denotes games played with all clubs  
as follows: John Annear 41 Eagles, 65  
Richmond, 43 Collingwood.

### 200 GAMES

Dean Turner (Eagles) 199\*

John Annear (Eagles) 198\*

\*Denotes games played with all clubs  
as follows: Dean Turner 31 Eagles, 54  
Fitzroy, 113 East Perth, John Annear 41  
Eagles, 65 Richmond, 43 Collingwood,  
49 Claremont.

### 250 GAMES

Neil Taylor (Subiaco) 245

### 300 GAMES

Robert Wiley (Perth) 291\*

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clubs as follows: Robert Wiley 178 Perth,  
95 Richmond, 18 Eagles.

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Shane Dirou (East Perth) 22 on 18th  
Chris Waterman (Eagles) 20 on 19th  
Doug Gibb (South Fremantle) 26 on 21st  
John Ditchbum (South Fremantle) 27 on 22nd  
Richard Geary (South Fremantle) 25 on 24th  
Mick Lee (Subiaco) 27 on 24th  
Darren Best (East Perth) 22 on 24th

LUNCH  
FRIDAYS

### ABOUT FACE

THE Laurie Keene saga was one of football's messy mix-ups ... and the eventual WAFL decision to allow him to play for Subiaco in the finals didn't win any friends in the East Fremantle or Claremont camps. Tigers coach Gerard Neesham wasn't particularly concerned before last week's preliminary final, obviously awaiting the outcome of the match, but he felt that the decision was an "about face" by the WAFL. Speaking to radio 6PR's Gary Carvolth, Neesham said that Keene was supposed to be injured on the trip to Melbourne; he had a knee operation soon afterwards, but then when the finals question came up he was suddenly ruled fit again.

### UMPIRE'S FOLLY

THE focus on umpires just never goes away these days ... especially when we see so much VFL high-pressure action at close quarters. Our WAFL umpires simply pay too many easy free kicks and a clash between Subiaco's Kevan Sparks and East Fremantle's Neil Lester-Smith in the third quarter last Saturday was a classic example. The Sharks forward received a gift free kick in a physical clash with Sparks that would just have been part of the game in the VFL.

### SMART MOVE

SUBIACO'S Todd Beman posted his team's 14th goal from a free kick on Saturday — a kick that should have been taken by team-mate Glen Hutcherson. After a scrimmage about 45 metres out from goal, umpire Phil O'Reilly raced in to award a free kick to the Lions — and Beman, an accurate kick for goal, quickly grabbed the ball and walked back to take the kick. Hutcherson wasn't arguing as the kick posted a much-needed goal. But a few minutes later Hutcherson-raged goalwards and ignored Beman standing well on his own, preferring to shoot on for goal himself — only to miss.

### OUT OF TOWN

A MEDIA suggestion that the 1988 WAFL premiers should play the SANFL premiers at the end of the season hasn't gone down too well in Tigerland. With the WAFL grand final on this Sunday, while SA's is still a fortnight away, it would be a long break for the WAFL premiers. Claremont coach Gerard Neesham says that such a game wouldn't suit his club if they won the flag. At least four senior players would be overseas on holiday — and he wouldn't be available anyway, owing to other commitments.

### UMPIRE BAITER

WE all know about 6PR Football Forum panelist Rod Brown's close association with West Perth and his comments on last week's show were typical of his dyed-in-the-wool qualities. During the preliminary final preview, the issue of umpires came up. Brown, who was sitting next to Umpires Coach Bob Phillips, went back to the 1982 preliminary final between Claremont and, you guessed it, West Perth, claiming that the umpires cost West Perth the game. Incidentally, Phillips was umpiring that game.

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Now, listen; this is no time to lie down on the job. We're in a little spot of bother. Was that the message from East Fremantle coach Graham Melrose, one wonders. He's talking to Eric Cooper, who did well on his return to the Sharks side.

### OVER SENSITIVE

IT was pretty obvious that Sharks coach Graham Melrose wouldn't enjoy the after-match press conference following their shock loss to Subiaco; frittering away a 32-point last-quarter lead. With the media ban still hurting some of the scribes and the doors to the East Fremantle rooms well and truly locked, it was 25 minutes or so before the press got a chance to fire a question at Melrose. He immediately bristled when the media ban was raised and dodged most questions thrown at him — particularly in relation to his own future. He said that the media ban was necessary because "we do things together" at East Fremantle and he said that suggestions of his stepping down from the job was "news to me".

### MEDIA BAN

THERE'S nothing like a media ban to stir the wrath of the football critics around town. East Fremantle got under everybody's skin with their decision to put all players "off-limits" in the lead-up to the preliminary final. At a time when the WAFL needs every ounce of publicity the finals can generate, to eliminate 50 per cent of the participants in a finals contest from being interviewed is foolhardy, to say the least. Apparently WAFL chief executive Peter Cummiskey tried to can the Sharks move before it got off the ground, but the club backed up their coach Graham Melrose and went along with the ban. The West Australian didn't pull any punches, particularly relating back to earlier in the season when Sharks president Hans Beyer rubbished the paper for its allegedly poor coverage of a derby. Labelling the move as "the height of hypocrisy" football writer Gary Stocks pointed out that football needs all the publicity it can get at this crucial stage.

### NO VFL SCORES

WITH Western Australia now a fully-fledged member of the VFL structure, there is considerably more interest in VFL matches. So why do we not have the VFL finals scores on the scoreboard at Subiaco Oval during our finals? In the good old days before the West Coast Eagles, the VFL scores would always be posted on the scoreboard. But not now!

### WELL DEFENDED

FELLOW columnist Ron Alexander was a guest at the 6PR Football Forum last Saturday and he continues to remain cool about the Eagles, despite a continual barrage of questions about his coaching performance compared with John Todd's. When pressed about what he thought of Todd's coaching efforts during the season, Alexander wasn't giving anything away, answering the question like a typical politician. He did comment that Todd seemed to be training the players too hard mid-year, which affected their performance, but when Todd became a little more lenient towards the end of the season, they played better. Alexander had a few friends on the panel in Rod Brown and Trevor Sprigg and their comparison of the two heavily favoured Alexander. They argued that while Todd won two more games than Alexander, he had the benefit of one extra fixture at home, a better draw and a stronger squad.

### ISHCHENKO'S FUTURE

WEST Coast Eagles chief Bill Kerr has cast some doubts on the football future of big Alex Ishchenko. At a time when at least three VFL clubs are keen to get his name on their draft list, Kerr suggested that Ishchenko might not even play football next season. "We will be talking to him shortly about his future," Kerr said on radio 6PR during last week. "But there seems to be some doubt in his mind if he wants to even continue in football."

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# THE 1988 SANDOVER MEDAL

## HOW THE UMPIRES VOTED GAME BY GAME

Following are the Sandover Medal votes as cast round by round by field umpires for 1988.

### ROUND 1 MONDAY, APRIL 4 CLAREMONT v SUBIACO (Johnson/Garrett)

Ben Allan (C)  
Tony Begovich (C)  
Peter Owens (C)  
Clinton Brown (S)  
Peter Thorne (C)

### SOUTH FREM. v EAST PERTH (O'Reilly/Lee)

Mark Bayliss (SF)  
Willie Roe (SF)  
Craig Edwards (SF)  
Brad Collard (SF)  
Richard Geary (SF)

### PERTH v EAST FREM. (Ball/Cooper)

John O'Sullivan (EF)  
Stephen Mount (P)  
Brian Peake (EF)  
Mark Watson (P)  
Gavin Miller (EF)

### WEST PERTH v SWAN DIST. (Rees/O'Driscoll)

Gavin Wake (WP)  
Peter Menaglio (WP)  
Neil Jackson (WP)  
Malcolm Williams (WP)  
Sean King (WP)

### ROUND 2 SAT., APRIL 9 SUBIACO v EAST PERTH (Ball/Cooper)

John Georgiades (S)  
Mick Jennings (S)  
Brett Hutchinson (S)  
Ian Dargie (S)  
George Giannakis (EP)

### CLAREMONT v PERTH (Rees/O'Driscoll)

Stephen Mount (P)  
Warren Mosconi (P)  
Rod Griljusich (P)  
Don Pyke (C)  
Grant Povey (C)

### EAST FREM. v WEST PERTH (Lee/O'Reilly)

George Christie (EF)  
Shane Ellis (EF)  
Lance Durack (EF)  
Dan Foley (WP)  
Paddy Madaffari (WP)

### SWAN DIST. v SOUTH FREM. (Johnson/Garrett)

Geoff Passeri (SD)  
Bob DeGraaf (SD)  
Brent Hutton (SD)  
Austin Ietto (SD)  
Len Gandini (SD)

### ROUND 3 SAT., APRIL 16 SUBIACO v SWAN DIST. (O'Driscoll/Castensen)

Ian Dargie (S)  
John Georgiades (S)  
Greg Carpenter (S)  
Shane Cocker (S)  
Michael Jennings (S)

### EAST PERTH v CLAREMONT (O'Reilly/Lee)

Grant Povey (C)  
Grant Campbell (EP)  
David Bain (EP)  
Gerard Neesham (C)  
Tony Begovich (C)

### WEST PERTH v PERTH (Garrett/Buckley)

Paul Mifka (WP)  
Mark Watson (P)  
Craig Turley (WP)  
Stephen Mount (P)  
Willie Dick (P)

### EAST FREM. v SOUTH FREM. (Cooper/Rees)

Scott Rowland (EF)  
Wally Matera (SF)  
Robbie Webber (EF)  
Jon Derecourt (EF)  
Peter Sumich (SF)

### ROUND 4 SUN., APRIL 24 EAST FREM. v SUBIACO (Campbell/Gillingham)

Clinton Brown (S)  
John Georgiades (S)  
Shane Cocker (S)  
Shane Ellis (EF)  
Scott Rowland (EF)

### ROUND 4 MON., APRIL 25 SWAN DIST. v EAST PERTH (Brehaut/Mountain)

Andy Holmes (SD)  
Ray Ewen (EP)  
Mal Bennett (EP)  
George Giannakis (EP)  
Mick Grasso (SD)

### WEST PERTH v CLAREMONT (Carter/Fletcher)

Neil Jackson (WP)  
Peter Cutler (WP)  
Peter Menaglio (WP)  
Ben Allan (C)  
Shane O'Neill (WP)

### PERTH v SOUTH FREM. (Alexander/McPhartland)

Joe Santostefano (P)  
Tony Papotto (P)  
Gavin Whittington (P)  
Scott Watters (SF)  
Stephen Mount (P)

### ROUND 5 SAT., APRIL 30 SUBIACO v PERTH (O'Reilly/Lee)

John Georgiades (S)  
Clint Brown (S)  
Brad McDougall (S)  
Mick Jennings (S)  
John Clarkson (P)

### EAST PERTH v EAST FREM. (Buckley/Garrett)

Stephen Edgar (EF)  
John O'Sullivan (EF)  
Peter Miller (EP)  
George Christie (EF)  
Eric Maroni (EP)

### CLAREMONT v SWAN DIST. (Johnson/Rees)

Don Pyke (C)  
Brian Sutherland (C)  
Ben Allan (C)  
Cam Lewis (C)  
Mick Grasso (SD)

### SOUTH FREM. v WEST PERTH (O'Driscoll/Castensen)

Peter Sumich (SF)  
Willie Roe (SF)  
Mark Bayliss (SF)  
Craig Turley (WP)  
Richard Graham (SF)

### ROUND 6 SAT., MAY 7 WEST PERTH v SUBIACO (Johnson/Garrett)

Mick Lee (S)  
Mal Williams (WP)  
Mick Jennings (S)  
Todd Berman (S)  
Neil Taylor (S)

### PERTH v EAST PERTH (Rees/Castensen)

Mark Watson (P)  
Willie Dick (P)  
Joe Santostefano (P)  
Warren Mosconi (P)  
Lucio Baroni (EP)

### SOUTH FREM. v CLAREMONT (O'Reilly/Buckley)

Tony Begovich (C)  
Scott Watters (SF)  
Grant Povey (C)  
Don Pyke (C)  
Billy Krakouer (C)

### SWAN DIST. v EAST FREM. (O'Driscoll/Buckingham)

John O'Sullivan (EF)  
David Rankin (EF)  
Stephen Edgar (EF)  
Kim Hetherington (SD)  
Kevin Caton (SD)

### ROUND 7 SAT., MAY 14 SUBIACO v SOUTH FREM. (Buckingham/O'Driscoll)

Todd Berman (S)  
Bret Hutchinson (S)  
Andrew Macnish (S)  
John Georgiades (S)  
Peter Sumich (SF)

### WEST PERTH v EAST PERTH (Lee/O'Reilly)

David Bain (EP)  
Mal Bennett (EP)  
Peter Miller (EP)  
Bevan Warner (EP)  
Peter Menaglio (WP)

### PERTH v SWAN DIST. (Rees/Castensen)

Joe Santostefano (P)  
John Clarkson (P)  
Warren Nicholas (P)  
Willie Dick (P)  
Mark Watson (P)

### EAST FREM. v CLAREMONT (Garrett/Johnson)

Brian Sutherland (C)  
John O'Sullivan (EF)  
Ray Sterrett (EF)  
Ben Allan (C)  
Peter Melesso (C)

### ROUND 8 SAT., MAY 21 EAST FREM. v SUBIACO (Rees/O'Reilly)

John O'Sullivan (EF)  
Eric Cooper (EF)  
David Bushell (EF)  
Ray Sterrett (EF)  
Mick Jennings (S)

### SWAN DIST. v EAST PERTH (Garrett/Buckingham)

Mick Grasso (SD)  
Dean Bertram (EP)  
Peter Old (SD)  
David Bain (EP)  
Mick Bazzo (SD)

### PERTH v SOUTH FREM. (Lee/Johnson)

Scott Watters (SF)  
Craig Edwards (SF)  
Maurice Rioli (SF)  
Joe Santostefano (P)  
Mark Watson (P)

### CLAREMONT v WEST PERTH (Castensen/O'Driscoll)

Cam Lewis (C)  
Brian Sutherland (C)  
Peter Owens (C)  
Grant Povey (C)  
Paul Hasler (WP)

### ROUND 9 SAT., MAY 28 EAST PERTH v SUBIACO (Johnson/Lee)

Mick Lee (S)  
Gavin Hawkins (EP)  
Mick Jennings (S)  
Bret Hutchinson (S)  
Mal Bennett (EP)

### CLAREMONT v PERTH (Cooper/Vernon)

Mal Thomson (C)  
Don Pyke (C)  
Peter Thorne (C)  
Mark Hann (C)  
Adrian Barich (P)

### ROUND 10 SAT., JUNE 4 SUBIACO v SWAN DIST. (Garrett/O'Reilly)

Shane Cocker (S)  
Steve Bazzo (SD)  
Bill Monaghan (S)  
Mick Lee (S)  
Peter Ware (SD)

### SOUTH FREM. v SWAN DIST. (Castensen/O'Driscoll)

Peter Sumich (SF)  
Mark Sambrallo (SF)  
Maurice Rioli (SF)  
Cliff Collard (SF)  
Mick Bazzo (SD)

### ROUND 11 SAT., JUNE 11 SUBIACO v CLAREMONT (Lee/Johnson)

Don Pyke (C)  
Ben Allan (C)  
Gerard Neesham (C)  
Peter Thorne (C)  
Mick Lee (S)

### CLAREMONT v EAST PERTH (Buckingham/Castensen)

David Bain (EP)  
Glyn Williams (EP)  
Don Pyke (C)  
Grant Povey (C)  
Alex Ishchenko (EP)

### PERTH v WEST PERTH (Rees/Lee)

Stephen Mount (P)  
Dempsey Narkle (P)  
Craig Turley (WP)  
Tony Papotto (P)  
Mal Williams (WP)

### MONDAY, JUNE 6 SOUTH FREM. v EAST FREM. (Ball/Johnson)

Craig Edwards (SF)  
Gavin Miller (EF)  
Scott Watters (SF)  
Richard Geary (SF)  
Mick Broadbridge (EF)

### ROUND 11 SAT., JUNE 11 SUBIACO v CLAREMONT (Lee/Johnson)

Don Pyke (C)  
Ben Allan (C)  
Gerard Neesham (C)  
Peter Thorne (C)  
Mick Lee (S)

### EAST PERTH v SOUTH FREM. (O'Driscoll/Rees)

David Bain (EP)  
Peter Matera (SF)  
Ken Seymour (EP)  
Cliff Collard (SF)  
Lucio Baroni (EP)

### EAST FREM. v PERTH (Garrett/O'Reilly)

Brian Peake (EF)  
David Rankin (EF)  
Willie Dick (P)  
Shane Ellis (EF)  
Guy Baxter (EF)

### SWAN DIST. v WEST PERTH (Buckingham/Castensen)

Craig Turley (WP)  
Mal Williams (WP)  
Mick Grasso (SD)  
Paul Mifka (WP)  
Shane Renfree (SD)

### ROUND 12 SAT., JUNE 18 SUBIACO v WEST PERTH (O'Reilly/O'Driscoll)

Craig Nelson (WP)  
Paul Mifka (WP)  
Gavin Howlett (WP)  
Gavin Wake (WP)  
Brad Gwilliam (WP)

### PERTH v EAST PERTH (Ball/Castensen)

George Giannakis (EP)  
John Zaikos (P)  
Gavin Hawkins (EP)  
Joe Santostefano (P)  
Dempsey Narkle (P)

### CLAREMONT v SOUTH FREM. (Garrett/Lee)

Mark Brayshaw (C)  
Peter Thorne (C)  
Mark Hann (C)  
Peter Owens (C)  
Brian Sutherland (C)

### EAST FREM. v SWAN DIST. (Rees/Johnson)

Shane Ellis (EF)  
Allan Sidebottom (SD)  
Tim Gepp (EF)  
Guy Baxter (EF)  
Fintan Maguire (SD)

### ROUND 13 SAT., JUNE 25 EAST PERTH v EAST FREM. (O'Driscoll/O'Reilly)

David Rankin (EF)  
Gary Baxter (EF)  
David Bushell (EF)  
Clinton Browning (EF)  
Scott Rowland (EF)

### PERTH v SUBIACO (Garrett/Lee)

Warren Nicholas (P)  
Dempsey Narkle (P)  
Gavin Whittington (P)  
Mick Lee (S)  
Brian Taylor (S)

### SWAN DIST. v CLAREMONT (Castensen/Ball)

Don Pyke (C)  
Troy Ugle (SD)  
Mick Bazzo (SD)  
Scott Edwards (C)  
Alan Sidebottom (SD)

### WEST PERTH v SOUTH FREM. (Johnson/Rees)

Paul Mifka (WP)  
Dean Laidley (WP)  
Gavin Wake (WP)  
Craig Nelson (WP)  
Peter Sumich (SF)

### ROUND 14 SUN., JULY 3 CLAREMONT v EAST FREM. (Johnson/Garrett)

Peter Thorne (C)  
Peter Quill (EF)  
Gerard Neesham (C)  
Peter Owens (C)  
Shane Ellis (EF)

### SOUTH FREM. v SUBIACO (O'Driscoll/Ball)

Ned Fimmano (SF)  
Craig Edwards (SF)  
Peter Sumich (SF)  
Mick Jennings (S)  
John MacDonald (SF)

### SWAN DIST. v PERTH (O'Reilly/Rees)

Brett Yorgey (P)  
John Gavanich (P)  
Warren Nicholas (P)  
Joe Santostefano (P)  
Joe Cormack (SD)

### EAST PERTH v WEST PERTH (Castensen/Lee)

Peter Menaglio (WP)  
David Bain (EP)  
Craig Turley (WP)  
Phil Bradmore (WP)  
Mal Bennett (EP)

### ROUND 15 SAT., JULY 9 CLAREMONT v SUBIACO (Rees/Castensen)

Laurie Keene (S)  
Brad McDougall (S)  
Mark Hann (C)  
John Scott (C)  
Rod Willet (S)

### EAST PERTH v SOUTH FREM. (Garrett/O'Reilly)

David Bain (EP)  
Michael Chalmers (EP)  
Craig Edwards (SF)  
Matt Clape (EP)  
Dean Wilson (SF)

### EAST FREM. v PERTH (Lee/Ball)

Michael Broadbridge (EF)  
Gavin Miller (EF)  
Brett Yorgey (P)  
Clington Browning (EF)  
George Christie (EF)

### SWAN DIST. v WEST PERTH (O'Driscoll/Johnson)

Troy Ugle (SD)  
Joe Cormack (SD)  
Mick Passeri (SD)  
Peter Old (SD)  
Craig Nelson (WP)

### ROUND 16 SAT., JULY 16 SUBIACO v EAST PERTH (Ball/Scroop)

Rod Willet (S)  
Brad McDougall (S)  
Shane Cocker (S)  
Brett Heady (S)  
George Giannakis (EP)

### PERTH v CLAREMONT (Johnson/O'Driscoll)

Tony Begovich (C)  
Dale Kickett (C)  
Scott Edwards (C)  
Warren Nicholas (P)  
Willie Dick (P)

### WEST PERTH v EAST FREM. (Lee/O'Reilly)

Craig Turley (WP)  
Craig Nelson (WP)  
Dan Foley (WP)  
Peter Menaglio (WP)  
Gavin Wake (WP)

### SOUTH FREM. v SWAN DIST. (Castensen/Rees)

Richard Geary (SF)  
John MacDonald (SF)  
Shane Renfree (SD)  
Craig Edwards (SF)  
Brad Collard (SF)

### ROUND 17 SAT., JULY 23 SUBIACO v EAST FREM. (Johnson/Rees)

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Shane Cocker (S)  
Mick Lee (S)  
Dwain Regan (EF)  
Mick Broadbridge (EF)

### EAST PERTH v SWAN DIST. (O'Reilly/Garrett)

Lance Kelly (EP)  
Dean Turner (EP)  
Grant Campbell (EP)  
Kevin Caton (SD)  
Rod Lewis (EP)

### SOUTH FREM. v PERTH (Lee/Ball)

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Brett Yorgey (P)  
Craig Edwards (SF)  
John Nicholas (P)  
Brad Collard (SF)

### WEST PERTH v CLAREMONT (Scroop/O'Driscoll)

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Neil Jackson (WP)  
Mal Williams (WP)  
Tony Begovich (C)  
Billy Krakouer (C)

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Shane Cocker (S)  
Shane Renfree (SD)  
Don Holmes (SD)  
Mick Jennings (S)

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Mark Brayshaw (C)  
Peter Owens (C)  
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Cam Lewis (C)

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Brett Yorgey (P)  
Stephen Mount (P)  
Joe Santostefano (P)  
Neil Jackson (WP)  
Merv Kelly (P)

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Cliff Collard (SF)  
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Peter Sumich (SF)

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Ian Dargie (S)  
John Gavanich (P)  
Brian Taylor (S)  
Mark Watson (P)

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Peter Cransberg (EP)  
Wayne Dawson (EP)  
Grant Campbell (EP)  
Clinton Browning (EF)

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Noel Morton (C)  
Shane Renfree (SD)  
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Schoolteacher and football veteran Ben Seabrook.

## Seabrook is judged No. 1

ONE of the longest-serving footballers in Australian history — both on and off the field — has been judged as the PIBS Personality of the Year.

Wundowie's Ben Seabrook — a teacher at Kelmescott High School — has won a trip to Ireland as his

reward from PIBS and the North Fremantle Amateur Football Club.

Westside Football's search for the Personality of the Year in terms of a contributor to the game, on and off the field, resulted in 15 contestants. A voting panel of seven people came up with their top choices — and Seabrook was a clear winner.

In a 35-year career, Seabrook has played an estimated 800 games, starting as a 15-year-old at Norseman and still playing now in veterans.

But it wasn't only his football playing that earned him the accolades — his off-field work, either as a coach, administrator and general man-about-the-club role, was highly-praised.

He has been involved in all aspects of administration.

He will accompany the North Fremantle amateurs on a 21-day end-of-season trip to England and Ireland, where they will play Gaelic football, paying a visit to Perth this season of a County Cork schools side.



# Boy, Bunton makes tipping hard!

**YOU can never under-estimate a Haydn Bunton-coached side!**

In last week's column I said that Subiaco couldn't pull themselves off the ropes after a fourth consecutive second semi-final loss.

But they did — and there they are, in another grand final.

Subiaco's football is not traditional; it's far from pretty as they play "keep it off". But one factor is certain — they never know when to surrender.

I also suggested that Laurie Keene's inclusion in Subiaco's team would be significant and worth at least five goals to the Lions. He did that in a canter, being best-on-ground.

So this Sunday it will be Keene — along with centre-half-forward John Georgiades, the architect of Subiaco's forward line with 19 scoring shots in two finals games — who will be the hurdles standing in the way of back-to-back flags for Claremont.

## Kemp savours that kick

*OH, how fortune favours the brave! Subiaco's Garry Kemp is a real goer and has impressed with his work in defence this season.*

*But last Saturday he had a real "dirty day" when nothing went right.*

*But he went from villain to instant hero when he kicked the winning goal after a brilliant pass from John Georgiades.*

*At the other end of that scale was East Fremantle's Murray Wrensted, who unfortunately carried the villain tag over his last-kick point against Melbourne.*

*Wrensted was out to prove a few points last Saturday, but really couldn't take a trick, especially in the first half.*

*It looked like a case of someone trying too hard on a day when all the running and effort brought little reward.*

*Many a fan in the crowd was half-hoping that Wrensted could have become the Sharks hero by kicking the winning goal — but no such luck.*

## Bitter pill for Melrose

LOSING last Saturday must have been a bitter pill for East Fremantle coach Graham Melrose to swallow after the fluctuating fortunes of the game.

Initially, he had seen his team completely over-run by Subiaco in the first quarter. But then they played a brilliant third term to set up victory — only to kick themselves out of a grand final appearance.

What may have been, will never be, of course. But Melrose can feel well satisfied that his continued policy to promote young talent at East Fremantle has paid dividends.

Looking at their two finals appearances and the performances by young Sharks like Peter Quill, Eric Cooper, Clinton Wolf, Michael Little and Glen Symonds confirms their potential.

Add players like Gavin Miller, Craig McLean, Wayne Nannup and Dean Cole — plus a few we haven't heard about yet — and you can forecast a bright future for East Fremantle.

The brilliant hard-running game of Stephen Edgar was an outstanding feature of the preliminary final, as was the display from Brian "Bomber" Peake.

It could well have been Peakes last game in a distinguished career and he really gave it 101 per cent in the second half.

He showed just what skill, strength and talent he has and how he can still have an impact on the game.



The Taylor twosome ... Brian (left) and Neil after their last-gasp win over East Fremantle.

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## The big one that really caps it all

IT doesn't matter what grade the grand final is, they are "different" and for the winners they are like the flower — everlasting.

Claremont and Subiaco have played all year to reach this Sunday's premiership battle — that One Day in September — and to be in that final list of 20 is just fantastic.

For the winners, it will be ecstasy, but for the losers, it's a gut-wrenching memory.

I've experienced both sides and I can assure you there is no comparison.

Claremont will start favourites and rightly so. Coach Gerard Neesham will return to action and "general" the proceedings.

Subiaco have won the right to challenge once more and they will be very competitive, the Laurie Keene/Peter Higgins duel a highlight of the match.

There is only one grand final and I hope the football public supports the WAFLs big one.

## Some posers for 89

AS THIS is the last column for the season, here are a few football questions to take with you over the summer months.

- How many players will be taken in the VFL draft in October?
- How many players will move to South Australia, unable to resist their big-money offers?
- Will Peter Sumich, the Eagles No 1 draft choice, play for the home-town team or will he head East?
- Will ground rationalisation come into effect or will we just keep on talking about it?
- How far-reaching will the recommendations of the WAFLs football review committee be?
- Will the Eagles go one better next year? Can they survive in the finals?
- Will Ross Glendinning continue playing (let's hope so)?
- Who will coach West Perth?
- Will the three Ms — Stan Magro, Gerard McNeill and Graham Melrose — continue at South Fremantle, East Perth and East Fremantle respectively?
- Will Ron Alexander still be in the media or back inside the fence?

Some of those questions will probably be answered long before summer even gets here. But the next few months will be fairly interesting anyway.

## Melbourne eye on our local talent

AFTER nearly going down to the Eagles on their home territory, VFL glamour side Melbourne sent their recruiting officer over to Perth to watch Saturday WAFL preliminary final.

Jim Durnan, who played a few games with Claremont back in 1983, has recently taken over as Melbourne's chief recruiting officer from Cameron Schwab, who has transferred to Richmond.

Radio 6NR interviewed Durnan at half-time and I was impressed with his forthright comments and his background knowledge on different players.

Melbourne's recruiting from WA in recent years has been successful with Alan Johnson, Earl Spalding and Warren Dean paying their way.

### NO VOTES

YOU are quickly forgotten in the world of football, so it seems. When Channel Seven commentator Dennis Cometti was asked how he enjoyed Monday's Sandover Medal show — which was telecast by Channel 2 this year for the first time — he said that he didn't. In fact, he wasn't invited; or maybe the invitation just didn't arrive. Seems as though the WAFL have quickly cut the Seven boys off their list of favoured people.



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Prendergast Medallist Tony Tomizzi.



Two moods of a winner ... David Bain feels the  
 pressure; but then it's all over.



WAFI chairman Harry Morgan introduces a nervous-looking David  
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The Minister for Sport, Graham Edwards (right)  
 Medallists (from left) John Leonard, Clive Le  
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Perth's Joe Santostefano chalks up another vote.



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Bain feels the  
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Medallists Medal winner Rob Malone.



Edwards (right) with some past Sandover  
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# Campbell undecided about his future

**GRANT Campbell, one of the shining lights at East Perth this year, is undecided about his football future.**

Campbell, a 26-year-old schoolteacher and veteran of 194 league games with the Royals, will spend the first part of the summer contemplating whether or not to don his boots next season.

Campbell was prepared to reveal little when questioned about his future.

"At this stage I have not given proper thought to my intentions for next year," he said.

"I will see how things shape up over the next few months."

A torn thigh muscle interrupted Campbell's start to the season, causing him to miss the first two games.

His class shone through in his comeback game when he kicked five goals in a team that was trounced by top side Claremont.

**58 GOALS**

Campbell bagged 58 goals for the year to finish second only to Todd Breman in the league goalkickers' list.

While the rangy full-forward was happy with his own season, there was an air of disappointment in his voice over the team's performance.

"It was difficult at the start of the season," he said. "We had a lot of young blokes who took a while to get used to each other."

"Perhaps the part of our play that let us down the most was our failure to take advantage of winning situations."

"We finished the season well though and that points to a bright future for next year."

Campbell aims to keep the coming months free of sporting commitments so that he can enjoy a bit more leisure time.

In that period East Perth coach Gerard McNeill will be keeping his fingers crossed in the hope that Campbell makes definite plans to continue with the Royals in 1989.

**ON THE BALL**

By **MIKE KNUCKEY**



**It's the same old story**

*LOOKING back over the past 12 months the record book suggests there has been little change.*

*The 1987 first semi-final saw East Fremantle run out comfortable winners and 1988 was no different.*

*The second semi-final last year went to Claremont in convincing style over Subiaco and again we saw a repeat this year.*

*Then the preliminary final last week saw Subiaco end East Fremantle's premiership hopes, just as they did in 1987.*

*Can Claremont continue the pattern this week to make it back-to-back premierships?*

*The form guide suggests that they can.*

*However, after East Fremantle's heartstopping finals exit last Saturday, Sharks' coach Graham Melrose was heard to say that he'll be backing the Lions.*



Grant Campbell ... Royals veteran.

## Malthouse on prowl

**FOOTSCRAY coach Michael Malthouse wandered west for the weekend with an eagle eye open for talent.**

*He spent much of the weekend renewing an old friendship with Perth coach Robert Wiley.*

*They played together at Richmond a decade ago.*

*Malthouse also made an effort to help Wiley and Perth reserves coach Tom Mullooly in their preparation for this week's reserves grand final against Subiaco.*

*On Saturday morning Malthouse was at Lathlain Park to put the Perth players through their paces in a vigorous training session.*

*Also over for the weekend was Melbourne recruitment officer Jim Durnan, who was studying the form of prospective players from Subiaco and East Fremantle.*

*Durnan admitted to being on the lookout for a centre-half-forward and rover in particular.*

*With that in mind the performance of John Georgiades will not have gone unnoticed by Durnan, who is no stranger to WA football.*

*Durnan spent a season or two playing for Melbourne before transferring west in 1982 to continue his study commitments. He lined up for Claremont for a season before transferring to Subiaco till the end of 1983.*

## WOLF NOT DISGRACED

**YOUNG ruck sensation Clinton Wolf must have thought himself hard done by when he was dragged into the East Fremantle dugout during the preliminary final.**

After beating South Fremantle's Craig Edwards in the first semi-final, a lot was resting on Wolf's shoulders in his clash with Laurie Keene.

Though Kenne, with his experience and great height, was able to take control, Wolf was far from disgraced.

He used his body well and on odd occasions was able to beat Keene.

It was rumoured that East Fremantle coach Graham Melrose did not want Wolf to play, but had no choice in view of the young ruckman's recent form.

East Fremantle ruck coach and football critic Percy Johnson considered that Wolf was doing a good job on Keene.

Johnson, who has brought Lance Durack, Guy Baxter and Wolf to their peak this year, said he was disappointed with the way East Fremantle took him off the ground.

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# Watling's eyes on Falcons' coaching job

FORMER All-Australian representative and one of West Perth's all-time greats, Allan Watling, is known to be interested in the West Perth coaching position.

The vacancy has been created by the retirement of Bruce Monteath due to work and family commitments.

Watling has spoken at length with some West Perth directors to make his intentions known.

It is expected to be at least three weeks before the Falcons announce any decision concerning their new coach.

Brian Peake's name has also been thrown into the hat since last Saturday's preliminary final when immediately after the game he declared his ambition to pursue a coaching career.

## DISTINCTIONS

Other names will undoubtedly come forward in the coming weeks but Watling and Peake stand out for the distinctions they amassed during their playing careers.

Watling played 284 games with West Perth, which places him equal third with Les Fong on the most games played list for the club.

He earned All-Australian status and was a member of West Perth's last premiership team in 1975.

Watling was noted for his great courage and pace.

Peake has expressed interest in continuing his playing career, but not necessarily at East Fremantle.

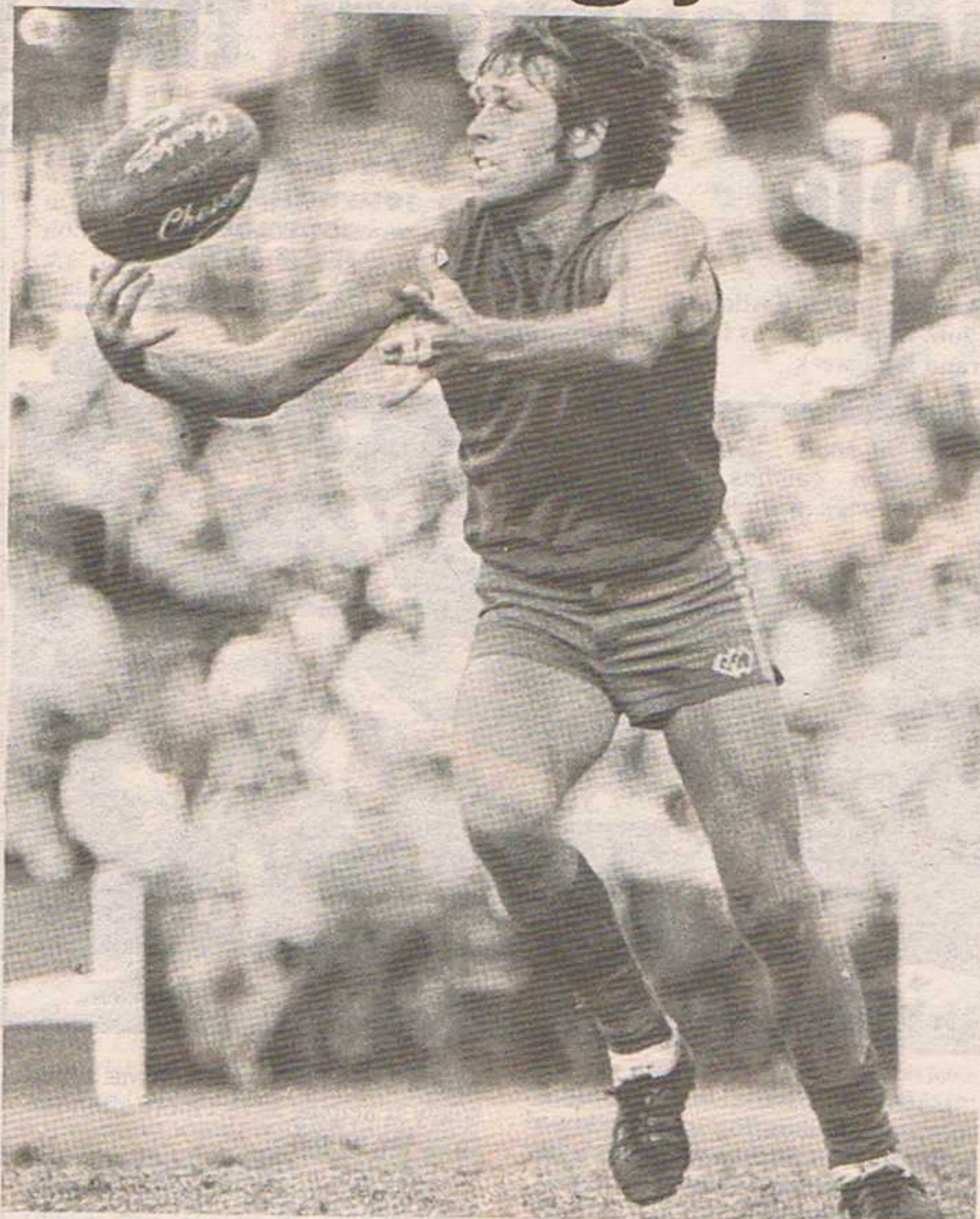
## ILLUSTRIOUS

His 279 games give him the distinction of having played more league football than any other person in the Sharks' illustrious history.

In his 15-year career he has always been known as a hard but fair player with the ability to win a match off his own boot.

Perhaps the highlight of his career was winning the 1977 Sandover Medal.

The credibility of both players is high but the West Perth hierarchy will give careful consideration to all potential coaches as they enter into what could be a most promising 1989 season.



Alan Watling ... Falcons coaching chance.

## That empty feeling

*DEFEAT is hard to take at the best of times, but when you lose two crucial games in the space of a week you could be excused for feeling shattered.*

*This is how Murray Wrensted felt after East Fremantle's narrow loss. He sat in the changerooms, staring into mid-air, a silent and dejected man.*

*A week earlier Wrensted missed a match-winning goal against Melbourne.*

## KEMP BECOMES INSTANT HERO

*THE highlight of the preliminary final was Garry Kemp's goal with only seconds left in the game.*

*This brought instant hero status to Kemp, who is normally a defender.*

*When John Georgiades marked 25 metres from goal on a slight angle, most people thought Subiaco would take the lead.*

*But the usually accurate Georgiades could only manage a point. From the kick-out from goal he regained possession and passed to Kemp who took a good mark 35 metres from goal and straight in front.*

*He kicked with confidence and when the goal umpire did not move, the crowd knew Subiaco had won the tension-filled game with only 20 seconds to spare.*

*Georgiades breathed a sigh of relief and Kemp was ecstatic in his moment of glory — and rightly so.*

## Third-term specialist

NEIL Lester-Smith was instrumental in downing the Bulldogs in the first semi-final with a three-goal burst in the third quarter.

It seems that third-quarter bursts are his speciality, for it was then that he kicked four goals against Subiaco.

He and Clinton Browning booted 10 goals between them. Both players are reliable marks and remarkably accurate when shooting for goal.

## ON THE BALL

By MIKE KNUCKEY



## Breman gets Lions going

SUBIACO full-forward Todd Breman has come under fire from the critics because of his patchy form in 1988.

Nevertheless Breman kicked most goals in the WAFL competition this year with a total of 73 goals, though he did not reproduce his form of last year when he booted 101 goals.

Breman played most of the preliminary final at centre-half-back, but when the crunch came in the last quarter Haydn Bunton moved him to full-forward.

It was a good move by Bunton because Breman had instant success, kicking Subiaco's 14th and 15th goals.

## Keene the difference

*BIG Laurie Keene was the difference between East Fremantle and Subiaco last Saturday.*

*His lion-hearted effort in the ruck earned him 32 hit-outs and Subiaco centreman Brad McDougall commented after the game: "It is a treat to have him nailing the ball down."*

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## Bucky and Hawthorn the big double

THAT champion from the West, Gary Buckenara, and the bastion of Victorian football, the Hawthorn Football Club, have firmed as football's best "double" going into the VFL's grand final week.

Buckenara is considered the man most likely to deprive Sydney's Gerard Healy of the 1988 Brownlow Medal, while Hawthorn are short-priced favourites to win their second flag in three years.

The Hawks appear a much better combination than either Carlton or Melbourne, who meet in the preliminary final this Saturday.

With Buckenara a star in the centre, Hawthorn have unwound a formidable finish, winning seven matches on end, including Saturdays second semi-final by 21 points, in front of a 60,000-plus crowd.

Melbourne's 13-point win over Collingwood in Sunday's first semi-final came in front of the season's biggest attendance of more than 87,000.

Hawk coach Alan Joyce, who has coached in WA, was a very satisfied leader after his team's win, indicating that it was a "total team effort from all players".

### BEST TEAM

He praised Buckenara, who not only was prominent in his offensive work, but strong in his negative play; punching the ball away from opponents when he was caught out of position.

With the scores tied at three-quarter time, Joyce told his players that they had been the best team for the year — "now go and show why".

Kicking with the aid of a two goal breeze, Hawthorn had seven scoring shots to one in the final 30 minutes, to run away comfortable winners.



Caught short ... Hawthorn's Dermott Brereton catches Carlton's David Rhys-Jones with his pants down — literally.

Buckenara had 19 disposals in another frontline effort, overshadowed by only two players, another interstater in John Platten (24 disposals) and 35-year-old Michael Tuck, who had 18 disposals at half-back including eight marks, the most of anyone on the ground.

Hawthorn players believe that Buckenara and full-forward Jason Dunstall will both poll well in Monday night's Brownlow count.

Bucky had a quiet patch early in the season before amassing an average 30 possessions for each of the final 12 weeks leading into the finals.

He added a little blond tint to his

hair, a factor his mates claim was aimed solely at helping attract more attention from the umpires!

"He's had a terrific season and has been very consistent," said key Hawk Dermott Brereton. "Jason (Dunstall) is still my favourite and I think Tony Hall could easily get four best afields as well."

After 60 years without a Brownlow Medal, the Hawks have triumphed in the last two years — with Robert DiPierdomenico in 1986 and Platten last year, dead-heating with St Kilda's Tony Lockett.

The Hawks believe that either Buckenara or Dunstall could make it three in a row.

Dunstall has kicked 125 goals this season, compared with Lockett's 117 in 1987.

He has the advantage of playing in a side likely to gain the best-afield three votes on 19 or 20 occasions.

Last year Dunstall polled nine votes, all best-afield efforts, on his way to 94 goals for the season.

In what shapes as one of the most even Brownlow Medal polls for years, my top five are:-

1. Gary Buckenara (Hawthorn)
2. Michael Mitchell (Richmond)
3. Gerard Healy (Sydney)
4. Jason Dunstall (Hawthorn)
5. Peter Daicos (Collingwood)

Other West Australians expected to feature include Nicky Winmar (St Kilda), Chris Mainwaring (Eagles), Alan Johnson (Melbourne) and Mark Bairstow (Geelong).

Mitchell has had a withering second half of the season, being a key player in Richmond winning six of their final 12 matches and rising from the bottom place to 10th.

His speed and goal sense were great assets. He tended not to fly for as many marks this season, relying on his ground skills to win possession.

Sydney's Healy is the most favoured and for weeks has been at 7/2 and shorter with interstate bookmakers.

He would be a deserving winner of the Brownlow as he's unquestionably been the most dominant footballer for the year — confirmed in Perth with a Simpson Medal effort for Victoria against WA in the State-of-Origin challenge.



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

### INTERSTATE UPDATE

by **RICHARD CAMM**  
Eastern States statistician  
for the West Coast Eagles



## Hawthorn's unusual feat

HAWTHORN have become the first team for 61 years to win a V.F.L. final after being kept goalless in two quarters.

Collingwood were kept goalless in all but the second quarter of the 1927 grand final. Their opponents, Richmond, scored their only goal in the last quarter as Collingwood won the match — 2.13 to 1.7.

On one other occasion, a team that was kept goalless in two quarters of a final didn't lose the match. North Melbourne failed to score a goal in either the second or third quarters of their drawn grand final against Collingwood in 1977.

### LOW-SCORING

Saturday's second semi-final was the lowest-scoring V.F.L. final since the 1974 preliminary final when North Melbourne beat Hawthorn by five points in a game that had an aggregate score of 107 points.

Hawthorn and Carlton totalled 111 points on Saturday.

Hawthorn's score of 9.12 was the lowest winning score in a V.F.L. final since 1986. In that year, Fitzroy kicked 8.10 to beat Essendon by a point in the elimination final.

### SIX STRAIGHT

HAWTHORN are the fourth club in V.F.L. history to play in the grand final in six consecutive years, as a result of their win in Saturday's second semi-final.

Previously, Collingwood (1925 to 1930) and Essendon (1946-51) played in the grand final six years on end.

Melbourne hold the record for consecutive grand final appearances — seven, between 1954 and 1960.

### LOSING GROUNDS

CARLTON'S loss in Saturday's game was their eighth this season from a total of 10 games at V.F.L. Park and the M.C.G.

The Blues have won only one game at each ground this season. They have played six games at V.F.L. Park and four at the M.C.G.

### GOAL SPREAD

ROSS Glendinning, who finished the season with 73 goals, was the only West Coast Eagles player to score over 20 goals in 1988. Phil Scott was the Eagles second highest goalscorer, with 18 goals.

It is the first time in 16 years that a V.F.L. team has not had at least two players score 20 goals or more for the year. In 1972, no North Melbourne player reached 20 goals for the season.

That the Eagles were able to make the finals while having only one player consistently kicking goals was due to their spread of goalkicking talent. Of the 33 players used during the season, 32 scored at least one goal, with 12 kicking 10 goals or more.

The last team to make the finals with only one player kicking 25 goals or more for the season was Essendon in 1966.

### TAYLOR 25th

Collingwood's W.A.-born full-forward, Brian Taylor, has finished the season in 25th place on the V.F.L.'s list of top goalkickers. Taylor's six goals in the first semi-final take his career tally to 469 goals from 123 games.

Former Swan Districts full-forward Simon Beasley is in 18th place, with 560 goals from 148 games.



What a line-up of experience! Hawthorn veterans Michael Tuck, John Kennedy and Robert DiPierdomenico have played 69 finals games between them.

### How WA players performed in VFL

	Kicks	Marks	H/Goal	Score
<b>MELBOURNE</b>				
Alan Johnson	9	2	1	
Earl Spalding	10	3	4	1.4
<b>HAWTHORN</b>				
Gary Buckenara	17	7	2	1.1
<b>CARLTON</b>				
Wayne Blackwell	17	5	7	
Jon Dorotich	6	2	-	1.1
Peter Sartori	5	3	-	
Steve Da Rui	10	2	1	
<b>COLLINGWOOD</b>				
Michael Christian	6	4	4	
Craig Starcevich	11	9	3	0.3
Brian Taylor	8	7	3	6.2

HIT-OUTS: Jon Dorotich 6, Peter Sartori 3.

## Lethal Leigh on warpath!

TOUGH Collingwood coach Leigh Matthews claimed that his side was "crucified" in Sunday's losing first semi-final.

He said that the umpires allowed Melbourne five free kicks from 35 metres or closer to goal. All the kicks resulted in goals.

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A roundup of news from the West Australian Amateur Football League

## Trinity-Aquinas into grand final

TRINITY-Aquinas won their way into the 1988 grand final with a 37-point victory over Wembley in last week's A-grade preliminary final.

IN a battle between former West Perth players Les Fong and Rod Alderton in their first season as coaches, it was Fong who emerged the winner.

But Alderton was magnificent as a player and was close to best on ground. Apart from the first quarter, he also did extremely well on the day as a coach. Trinity-Aquinas had 5 goals on the board before Wembley got started and it was centreman Brad Calvin who was the star of the quarter.

Calvin, the classy left-footer, was marking exceptionally well and pin-pointing the ball with unerring accuracy, giving his forwards every opportunity to capitalise on.

Up forward, rugged centre-half-forward Hamish Valentine was having a good clash with Alderton, but was the winner in the first quarter and set-up many forward plays.

### FIRING

Wembley came back in the second and third quarter terms with players such as Dobbie Callaghan, Brad Metcalf, Alderton and Dean Stichling starting to fire.

The best clash in this period was between Rovers Mark Shaw and Wembley sharpshooter Kevin Symonds, as both were working extremely hard for their sides.

The Trinity-Aquinas' margin at three-quarter time was whittled back to just two kicks and it seemed an upset was possible, as Wembley were playing the better football.

However, the Ex-Scholars settled through cool football by defender Daniel Mulligan, who was not overawed by the pressure and full-forward Steve

by **TREVOR SCHORER**



Brown, who marked strongly and sealed the game with a couple of fine goals.

One player who was unobtrusive, but extremely effective was utility player Phil Green, who contributed a workman-like performance.

Wembley can still be proud of their performances over the last six months, as they have come back from a disastrous period in the club's history.

### APPOINTED

Coach Alderton should be appointed for a further term as he has what it takes as a mentor and Wembley will improve with him at the helm.

This week the two sides who finished first and second at the end of the home and away fixtures Mt Lawley and Trinity-Aquinas — appropriately clash in the grand final and the game could go either way.

Both sides have potential matchwinners. Both have experience with a nice blend of youth and both have the motivation.

The difference between the two sides is absolutely minimal and it will come down to who can handle the pressure.

The individual clashes between John Price and Justin Cook, Mark Collins and Phil Warren, Hamish Valentine and Leigh Sprlyan will give the game added sparkle.

## Finals fixtures

### PRELIMINARY FINALS

#### A-GRADE

Trinity-Aquinas..... 7.3 7.5 10.12 15.18  
Wembley ..... 1.4 5.11 8.13 9.17  
Best: Trinity-Aquinas: D. Mulligan, P. Cavanagh, B. Calvin. Wembley: R. Alderton, C. Dawson, K. Symons.  
Goals: Trinity-Aquinas: M. Shaw 3, M. Webb 2, S. Brown 2, J. McGrade 2, M. Collins 2, B. Calvin, D. Dwyer, L. Fong, R. Joyce 1 each. Wembley: K. Symons 4, S. Proud 3, B. Roberts, C. Dawson 1 each.

#### C-GRADE

Bayswater ..... 4.2 7.4 15.5 25.10  
Swan Athletic ..... 1.2 7.4 8.7 10.13  
Best: Bayswater: D. Atkinson, G. England, D. Roberts. Swan Athletic: D. Volk, P. Nuich, S. Bozich, T. Bozich (6).

### GRAND FINALS

#### C-GRADE

Cockburn Lakes 24.12 d Morley 11.12

#### D-GRADE

Rockingham ..... 3.2 6.3 9.4 12.6  
Wembley No. 2 ..... 3.3 6.5 7.11 9.14  
Best: Rockingham: Duncan, Nicholls, Offer.

#### E-GRADE

Trinity Aquinas No. 2 19.13 d R&I 15.13

#### F-GRADE

John 23rd d Sawyers Valley

#### G-GRADE

Bayswater No. 2 15.6 d Collegians O.S. No. 27.6

#### H-GRADE

Swanbourne ..... 3.0 3.2 9.8 13.8  
West Coast No. 2 ..... 3.3 6.7 7.7 9.12  
Best: Swanbourne: Thompson, Carmody, Ronzio. Goals: Swanbourne: Wiltshire 6, Van Mill 3.

#### I-GRADE

University No. 4 ..... 3.2 7.6 12.10 17.15  
Lynwood-Ferndale No. 2 ..... 2.1 3.3 3.3 7.5  
Best: University: Robinson, Pascoe, Melville. Lynwood: D. Cox, P. Cox, M. Cox. Goals: University: Dowland 8 — 108 for the season.

#### J-GRADE

Scarborough No. 3 ..... 3.6 7.15 14.15 17.18  
Trinity Aquinas No. 3 ..... 1.5 2.7 4.9 6.10  
Best: Scarborough: Edwards, Keenan, Callonan. Goals: Scarborough: G. Penny 5, I. Penny 3.

#### K-GRADE

Bayswater No. 3 21.15 d Coolbinia Yokine No. 2 7.8

#### L-GRADE

Carlisle No. 3 ..... 5.3 8.8 17.15 22.20  
Bullcreek No. 3 ..... 0.3 1.3 2.3 2.6  
Best: Carlisle: W. Yarran, G. Lodge, V. Ford. Bullcreek: Naughton, Letchford, Rogers. Goals: Carlisle: R. Bamford 7, K. Finch 5, Shiosaki 3.

#### A COLTS

Trinity-Aquinas ..... 3.1 6.3 10.7 11.8  
Mt Lawley ..... 0.3 3.7 4.7 9.14  
Best: Trinity-Aquinas: R. Murray, D. Smith, F. Gleay. Goals: Trinity-Aquinas: P. Ness 4.

#### B COLTS

Collegians O.S. d Bayswater

#### C COLTS

CBC No. 2 ..... 3.1 5.3 9.6 10.11  
Wembley No. 2 ..... 2.3 3.4 6.4 6.5  
Best: CBC: Newton, Clarke, Fitzpatrick. Wembley: Ronzam, Piesse, Taylor.

#### D COLTS

Applecross 13.8 d Forrestfield 11.6

# HIGHLIGHTS

#### A COLTS:

A strong final quarter saw Mt Lawley take the game right up to Trinity-Aquinas in the final colts game of the season. However, the Hawks did not quite have enough to peg back the big lead held by Trinity at three-quarter time.

Mt Lawley can consider themselves unlucky with their inaccurate kicking.

Trinity proved that they were the best side in the competition by not losing a game all year.

#### B. COLTS

Collegians Old Scotch showed their strength by defeating Bayswater, who had their opportunities, but could not overcome the overall strength of the Collegians team.

#### C. COLTS

Wembley put up a good fight against a strong CBC combination to go down by only 30 points in the C colts grand final.

CBC, undefeated all season, beating some sides by more than 20 goals, did not find this game as easy as expected. C.B.C., hot favourites for the flag, did not let their supporters down and celebrated what turned out to be a hard-fought win.

#### D. COLTS

Applecross caused an upset by beating a strong Forrestfield side by 14 points. As underdogs, Applecross proved that grand finals are a different game of football.

#### C. GRADE

After a strong start, Morley bowed to the pressure of Cockburn Lakes and had to accept runners-up in their grand final.

Holding a six-point lead at quarter time, the Bulldogs could not maintain their supremacy and found themselves trailing by 50 points at half-time.

This trend continued for the second half and Cockburn ran out winners by 78 points.

#### D. GRADE

Rockingham proved too strong for Wembley No. 2 to win the flag by 10 points. Once again it was the Magpies inaccuracy in front of goals that lost them.

Rockingham's constant pressure forced a lot of errors by the Wembley side in the forward line.

#### E. GRADE

Trinity-Aquinas again proved too strong for R & I Bank, when they won by 24 points.

In a replay of the second semi final,

Trinity No. 2's height and strength in the key positions showed through. It is the first time in three years that R & I have been represented in the finals and they were far from disgraced.

#### G. GRADE

Bayswater made easy work of Collegians Old Scotch to run out winners by 48 points. The Blues have held top position on the ladder all season and showed just why they were minor premiers this season.

#### H. GRADE

Hot favourites Swanbourne/Nedlands beat a determined West Coast by 20 points. Swanbourne's running players in Carmody, Thomson and Konzio proved too much for West Coast, who could not find the answer to this problem despite a number of moves made to combat their dominance.

#### I. GRADE

University made short work of Lynwood Ferndale and ran out winners by a mammoth 70 points. In a one-sided affair Uni took charge from the start and refused to let the Panthers into the game.

#### J. GRADE

Scarborough refused to let Trinity-Aquinas into the game, with winners in nearly every position.

Trinity, while trying hard all day, could not combat the overall strength of the Scarborough side.

#### K. GRADE

Bayswater brought home their third premiership for the day with a comfortable win over Coolbinia-Yokine.

The 91-points between the two teams really tells the story of the game with the blues not being in any trouble of losing at any stage.

#### K. GRADE

Predictably, Carlisle demolished a hapless Bullcreek by a mammoth 134 points. The Cougars have been unbeatable all season and this game was no exception.

#### CHAMPION CLUB

(Club with two or more teams)

Cockburn Lakes 56; Trinity-Aquinas, Rockingham, Bayswater 52; Morley, Hamersley, Innaloo 48; Riverton, Lynwood-Ferndale, Old Wesley, Mt Lawley 44; Wembley 42; University, WACAE, Swan Athletic, West Coast, Coolbinia-Yokine 40; Brentwood, Wanneroo, Sawyers Valley 38; Bullcreek 36; Collegians O.S., Mundaring, Coolbellup 34; Bassendean, Ocean Ridge 30; Maylands 28; CBC 26; Curtin, Whitford, Nollamara 16, North Beach, Applecross, MHWP, Scarborough, Dianella 14; Forrestfield, Carlisle, Melville 6; Hellenics 4; North Fremantle -6.

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## Saturday's the big day

THE place to be for the best football action in West Australia this Saturday is undoubtedly Perth Oval.

That is the venue for the West Australian Amateur Football League grand final between Trinity-Aquinas and Mt Lawley.

Trinity, who are coached by former West Perth champion Les Fong (right) won their way into the final by beating amateur power club Wembley in a tense preliminary final.

Mt Lawley thrashed Trinity by a wapping 62 points in the second semi-final, but that result will be forgotten on Saturday.

Fong, a master motivator, is sure to rev-up his charges for this match and nothing less than a win will please the veteran.

However, Mt Lawley coach Greg Hyde (below) is a proven campaigner in the amateur competition.

He has led the Hawks in fine style this season and once again his side must start slight favourites to win this year's flag.



## Bayswater into grand final

AFTER a close and hard-fought first half of football, Bayswater had little trouble in beating Swan Athletic in the B-grade preliminary final.

In the first quarter, Bayswater showed that they were the side to beat when they kicked away with four goals to one.

However, the second quarter saw a new Swan Athletic with good work from ruck-rover Dennis Volk and captain Peter Nuich, who dominated the ruck.

Both sides went into the long break 7.4 each, which set the scene for an exciting last half.

This was not to be and the injury-depleted Swan Athletic just did not have the run for the Bayswater side.

Wingman David Atkinson used his blistering pace to kick eight goals and finish best on ground.

by  
**PETER RUSH**



A 10-goal last quarter by Bayswater epitomised their solid work in defence and fine attacking moves up forward. The versatile Dennis Roberts was strong and skilful and Glen England was superb in defence.

For Swan Athletic, the Bozich brothers, Shane and Troy (six goals), were consistent and Nuich never gave in.

This week Bayswater play Innaloo in the grand final and, despite their good preliminary final, they will start as underdog.

### INFORMATION REQUIRED

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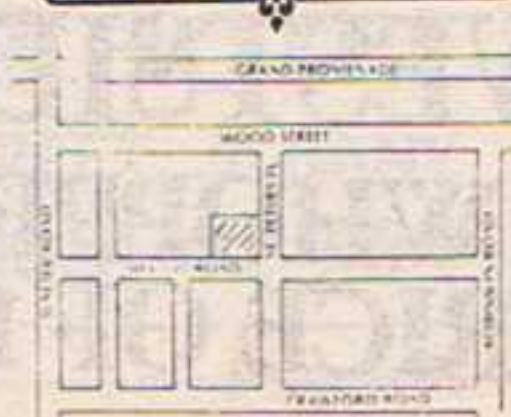
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## Junior clubs a priority for the FDT

By  
**REECE HOGAN**

JUNIOR council club football will thrive under the ambitious program currently being planned by the Football Development Trust for the 1989 season.

Despite the Trust's main thrust into school football, the FDT co-ordinators are adamant that club football is high on the list of priorities.

In fact, the FDT's main emphasis is on integrating the two junior football arenas, with both being beneficial to each other.

The Trust will continue to encourage club officials and coaches to attend school clinics; to watch CIG and Quit Cup games as well as recruit players who previously have only played football at school level.

It is proposed that junior council suburban clubs adopt a school in their area.

### FACILITIES

This would be especially successful in a country town where a club would supply the facilities, equipment and travel in return for player strength.

Accredited coaches would attend the schools, while various teachers could also be accredited and give something back to the club.

The whole theme is to integrate junior football and keep the sport in the schools — where the largest market is — and also improve junior council clubs.

There would be a limit to the number of games a boy can play each week to prevent them becoming tired of the game and CIG Shield and Quit Cup matches will be scheduled to avoid club games.

The FDT General Manager, Brian Cook, believes that school football will fuel the fire of club football — provided there are qualified leaders and a quality program for the players and members to enjoy.

### QUALIFIED

Cook says that any junior football person who undertakes the Level One coaching accreditation course should be well qualified to be quality leaders.

"Anyone who spends 14 hours with Brian Douge (the FDT's coaching co-ordinator) must be qualified," he says.

Cook is insistent that all clubs should still be tied to a junior council and, in turn, with the West Australian Football League so that everyone is following the same guidelines.

Players, coaches and parents are required to sign a Code of Conduct, which will be similar to that adminis-



Swan Districts took the honours in this year's Town and Country Little League when they played more boys than any of the other clubs. Swans Little League co-ordinator, Ron Williams, proudly holds the shield with Town and Country's Ray Turner on the right and FDT general manager, Brian Cook on the left.

tered in the Quit Cup, so that violence is eradicated from football.

Aussie Footy Rules teams and a Freeball squad should be part of every club so that modified rules is carried out properly.

In return for complying with these rules, the FDT will provide a number of incentives for the club — as soon as they sign up a sponsor — such as free coaching clinics and participation in the Town and Country Little League competition.

The club will also receive five plastic footballs and one leather ball and the registration fee of the club to the junior

council, or part of it, will be paid by the Trust.

The players will also receive a free season pass to the WAFL, provided they take their parents.

The whole idea of incentives will make club football more enjoyable and therefore more popular.

There was an increase of 2000 boys playing junior football this year, which is the first time in nine years that the number has increased.

"And these new ideas are set to bring more players into club football next year," said Cook.

### Young star goes one better

*TALENTED young Collie footballer Craig Rinder went one better than his father when he was recently included in the All Australian schoolboys side.*

*A key player in the WA schoolboys side, playing at centre-half-back, Craig has been invited by West Perth to try out with the Falcons in the future.*

*His father Harvey, a high-leaping veteran ruckman with Mines Rovers, also played State schoolboys — but Craig's All Australian honours capped that effort.*



## Flags are shared

TWO teams took the limelight in last weekend's East Perth Junior Council grand final results.

Noranda and Bayswater/Morley featured in two grand finals, winning one premiership each.

Bombers, Morley PCYC, Swanleigh and East Perth Highgate also featured in the junior council grand finals.

These are the results, with the best players from each side.

13s: Bayswater/Morley 10.6 (Corey Dillon) b Bombers 3.2 (Cory Warren); 15s Black: Morley PCYC 14.23 (Clifton Degois) b Noranda 5.10 (Adam Szigligeti); 15s Blue: Noranda 25.32 (Jarrod Malland) b Bayswater/Morley 3.3 (Glen Britten). 17s: Swanleigh 13.12 (Peter Woods) b East Perth/Highgate 4.10 (Ross Giardina).

## Trophy surprise at East Vic Park

THERE were some surprise results at the East Victoria Park Junior Football Club trophy night.

In the 14s, Robert Valentino did not feature despite his runners-up effort in the association fairest and best trophy for the Perth Junior Council.

The most improved player for the 14s was Tony Lake; most promising Troy Dunstan; best utility Hudson Travenen; best position Darren Hansen; runner-up fairest and best Rory McArthy and fairest and best Dion MacDonald.

In the 16s age group, Peter Valenti was the Perth Junior Council association fairest and best winner and Mathew Worth was runner-up. However, these roles were reversed on the club trophy night.

Other winners were most improved Phillip Reading; most reliable Bradley Samuels; most courageous Wayne Lombardine and best position Robert Calcraft.

East Vic Park are the most successful club in the Perth Junior Council and a number of these winners could well be future Demon champions.

## MT LAWLEY PREMIERS IN WOMEN'S

MT Lawley are the inaugural premiership winners in the Women's Football League, beating Carlisle by 16 points in a close game at Gibney Reserve.

Mt Lawley were minor premiers and favourites going into the grand final, but Carlisle started in traditional underdog fashion, playing hard and taking an early lead.

The good crowd at Gibney Reserve were treated to a fine game of football and the skills, courage and discipline displayed by all the players would show up some of the men.

Mt Lawley's best players were Kim Smith, Sharon Kersting and Shelly Michelle. All three dominated the play with Michelle in particular taking some brilliant high marks.

Carlisle sisters Sharon and Janice Woods have played consistently all year and they did not let their team down in the grand final. They both have excellent skills and kick the ball over long distances.

This is the first year that women's football has been played in West Australian and it looks certain to continue.

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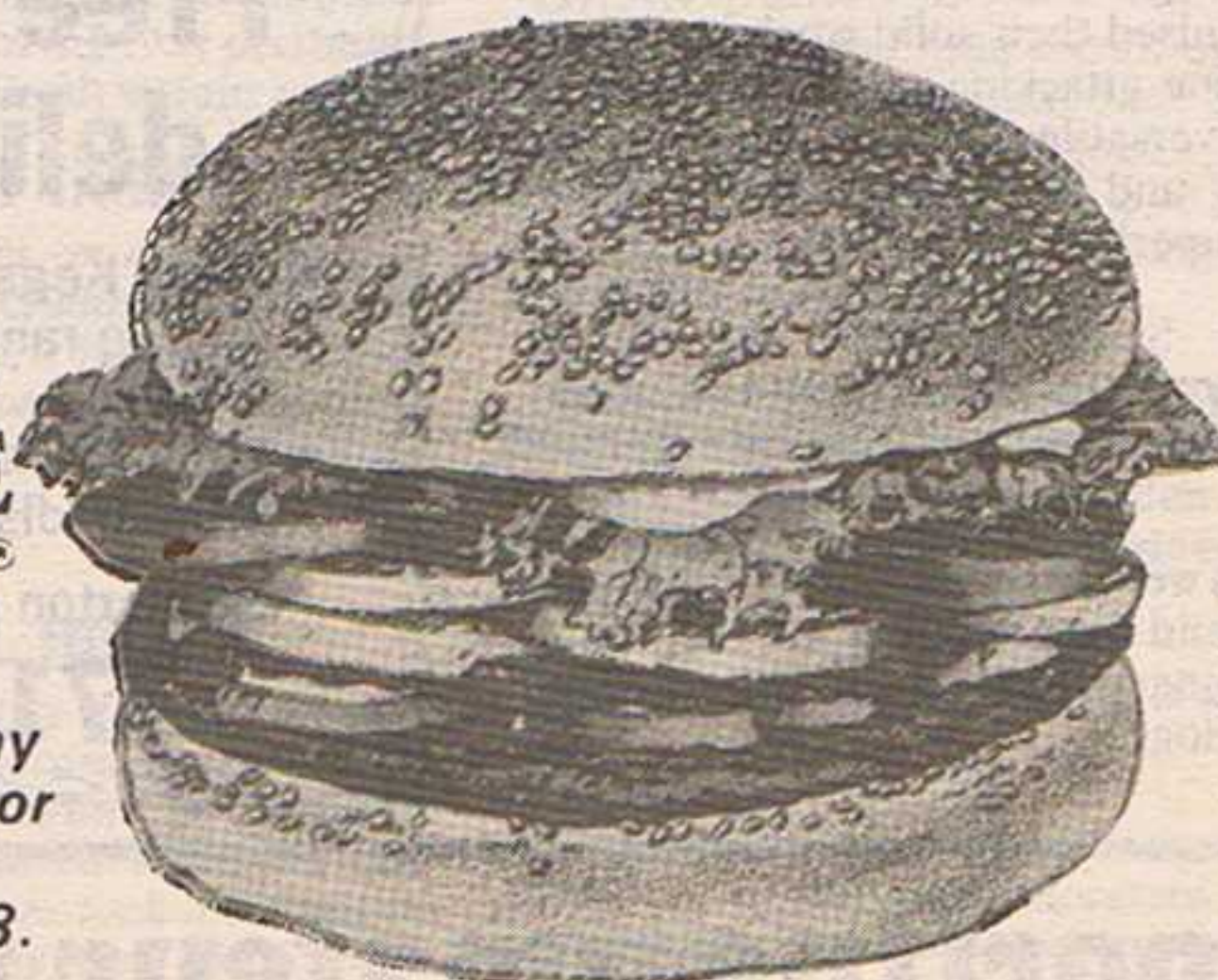
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## Let's all give the girls a go

AUSTRALIAN football, like many traditional sports, has some problems in reconciling with the latter part of the 20th century — particularly those related to the involvement of women.

Over succeeding generations, our national game has been imbued with an extremely macho image — one which could in no way be sullied by anything but spectator interest from the female gender.

As with many things and allied to the rightful thrust for equality of the sexes, women now wish for the right and opportunity to actually participate in the sport. This desire is mainly confined to the pre-puberty age groups.

Surely there can be no reasonable objection to such an involvement.

Even junior football officials with only the most rudimentary knowledge of juvenile maturation and biology would surely know that in the six to 12 year age groups, girls can compete, if not totally equally at least reasonably well, against boys.

Of course, there are some who individually will star against boys.

### ATHLETIC

I recall being a spectator in the Darwin Saturday morning junior competition a few years ago, and seeing a tall, lithe and athletic ruck player of Indian extraction who was absolutely starring. She was a 12 year-old-girl.

Some officials have cited lack of facilities as an inhibiting factor.

This really doesn't gel. Most sports grounds have — or certainly should have — female toilets.

Failing that there are cars, and in any case, many children these days arrive and go home in playing gear.

Junior football activities in the age groups under review generally do not result in players being bathed in mud and sweat.

From a National Football League viewpoint (and even more so since the advent of Aussie Footy) there is no valid reason for the exclusion of girls in pre-puberty competitions.

### ILLEGAL

Additionally their exclusion obviously contravenes the 1984 Sex Discrimination Act, which states that it is illegal to discriminate against girls in any sport up to the age of 12.

After that age it becomes another ball game and I will argue all day against pitting the sexes in post-puberty competition.

Rather than this I believe there should be more encouragement given to all-female mature age competitions for those who wish to engage in a more than usual rough and tumble activity.

However, there are obviously many more suitable sports for girls once they reach womanhood.

Recent publicity given to football leagues who ruled officially against the participation of girls in their pre-puberty age groups prompted this article.

Apart from the purely legal (or more accurately illegal) aspects of their decision, these leagues are excluding the desirable involvement of legions of girls who, as a result of a happy early association with the game, may continue to love and support Australian football into their later life.

# MINOR GRADES

## Malone was surprised with his Medal win

**TALENTED** Claremont midfielder Rob Malone was the first to admit that he was surprised at winning the 1988 Medallists Medal.

The solidly-built 18-year-old had an outstanding season with the under-19s side, but felt that injuries might have hindered his Medal chances.

Despite playing several games in the reserves, Malone was still able to poll 41 votes — six more than second-placed Greg Baron, from East Perth.

Because of his Medallists Medal win, Malone will be the centre of attention in this week's colts grand final between Claremont and East Perth.

However, he is more interested in helping the Tigers make amends for last year's grand final loss against East Fremantle.

"Many of our players were over-awed in last year's grand final," explained Malone.

"I was particularly nervous before the game, but I've learnt a lot from that experience."

### PREPARATION

Claremont coach Larry Kickett has done everything to make sure his side goes one better in 1988.

To assist Claremont's build-up, Kickett has shown a video tape of the 1978 league grand final between East Perth and Perth and Malone says it has been very helpful.

"Larry was a member of that East Perth premiership side, so he is well qualified to talk about the pressure associated with grand finals," Malone says.

"He has told us to remember the things we have been practising all season and to keep plugging away for the entire match.

"We certainly won't be taking East Perth lightly. They beat us quite easily in the third round and are obviously in good form now."

## Sloan does it the hard way

**SUCCESS** has not come easily for Subiaco reserves player Bernie Sloan.

In two seasons at Subiaco, Sloan has played just one league game and that was opener to 1987.

Sloan has been included in the Lions league training list on a couple of other occasions, but has had to compete with Todd Breman and John Georgiades for a league berth.

There have also been times when Sloan has struggled for a game in the reserves.

However, he has persevered and is now a key Lion in Sunday's reserves grand final against Perth.

What makes the former Bendigo player so valuable is his height. At 195cm, Sloan can play in the ruck or in a key position, though he is best suited to a role in the forward line.

He finished the season with 31 goals and would have kicked more had he not spent so much time in the ruck.

A good effort from him this Sunday could well be the turning point in his WAFL career.

## Kelly out to prove point

**MERV** Kelly, one of Perth's emerging players this year, would like nothing better than to beat his old side Subiaco in this Sunday's reserves grand final.

Kelly played under-19s for Subiaco in 1984, after a useful junior career in Pinjarra.

But a fairly disappointing 1984 season, saw Kelly get his marching orders from the Lions and, to his credit, he has improved dramatically since leaving.

He should line up in the centre for Perth on Sunday and his duel with another talented youngster in Gavin Keyser should be a highlight of the match.

## Tigers take another Medal

**THE** Medallists Medal has been won by some outstanding players since the inception of the award in 1957 and young Claremont star Robert Malone's name has been added to the list.

Malone took the award with 41 votes, winning from East Perth youngster Greg Baron (35 votes) and South Fremantle's Martin Atkins (35).

Claremont have now provided the winner of the colts fairest and best award in the last two seasons. Last year Nicky Yarran won the award with a record 64 votes.

Malone is a former WA State schoolboys star and played in the centre for the Tigers under-19s team this year.

The Tigers could also lay claim to playing their part with the winner of the Prendergast Medal, Tony Tomizzi.

The rugged utility player left Claremont early last year in his quest for league football success and turned up at Perth.

He realised his ambition by playing in the league side early this season, but still played most of his football with the reserves.

Tomizzi won the reserves medal from Yarran, who again showed his ability to poll heavily in the eyes of the umpires.

The top 10 votegetters in each grade were:

### PRENDERGAST MEDAL

TONY TOMIZZI (PERTH) . . . . .	44
NICKY YARRAN (CLAREMONT) . . . . .	32
GAVIN BIFFEN (WEST PERTH) . . . . .	23
ASHLEY FLUGGE (SOUTH FREMANTLE) . . . . .	21
DALE KICKETT (CLAREMONT) . . . . .	20
ANDREW SLADE (SUBIACO) . . . . .	19
DAMIEN READ (SUBIACO) . . . . .	17
PAUL MORGAN (SOUTH FREMANTLE) . . . . .	17
GORDON GATTI (SOUTH FREMANTLE) . . . . .	16
ALEX RATTRAY (SUBIACO) . . . . .	16
RICHARD CALDOW (SUBIACO) . . . . .	16
GAVIN MILLER (EAST FREMANTLE) . . . . .	16

### MEDALLISTS MEDAL

ROBERT MALONE (CLAREMONT) . . . . .	41
GREG BARON (EAST PERTH) . . . . .	35
MARTIN ATKINS (SOUTH FREMANTLE) . . . . .	34
PETER COPELAND (SOUTH FREMANTLE) . . . . .	30
PAUL HANSEN (EAST FREMANTLE) . . . . .	29
ADRIAN WORRELL (WEST PERTH) . . . . .	28
DAMON MORRIS (SUBIACO) . . . . .	25
JUSTIN FISHER (SWAN DISTRICTS) . . . . .	22
WALTER WOODS (WEST PERTH) . . . . .	22
WILLIAM GILL (CLAREMONT) . . . . .	21
JAMIE CARTER (EAST PERTH) . . . . .	21
JOSH MCGUIRE (EAST PERTH) . . . . .	21



**BEN STINGA**  
reviews the Prime reserves and the Under-19s colts competition

## Taylor looms as a danger

**EAST** Perth rover Cedric Taylor was one of the stars of the Royals last-round win over Claremont and is a player the Tigers will need to watch closely.

Taylor hails from the East Perth—Highgate junior football club and is in his first season with the Royals.

He began the season slowly, but has improved considerably in the last three months.

Taylor believes that his slow start can be attributed to the increased tempo of under-19 football, compared to junior ranks.

The longer the season has gone on, the better Taylor has played.

Taylor's main attributes are his uncanny skills. Like most Aboriginal footballers, he can weave, twist and turn out of trouble in a flash.

His short passing is accurate and his marking is reliable.

Taylor believes that the Royals are capable of upsetting Claremont on Sunday, particularly if they can beat the Tigers at their own game.

"We must out-run Claremont," Taylor says.

"They run hard all the time, but so do we."

Taylor hopes to eventually play league football with the Royals, but he realises that he must improve his concentration and fitness before he can achieve that goal.

There is little doubt about his natural ability — he has plenty of that. With time on his side, it would not surprise to see Taylor as a league regular with the Royals in the not-so-distant future.

## Rosich could be fit again

**BRILLIANT** Subiaco half—back Steve Rosich may be fit for this Sunday's Prime reserves grand final against Perth.

Rosich is making a steady recovery from a shoulder injury sustained in his league debut against East Fremantle on July 23 — and he could be a surprise inclusion in the Lions side.

Rosich was a member of the 1987 Teal Cup side, along with Subiaco team-mates Damien Read, John Cooper and Brett Heady.

As a junior, Rosich played for Warwick, one of the strongest junior football clubs in West Australia.

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# Applecross storm to late victory

APPLECROSS were jubilant after their upset win over Gosnells in the Sunday League under 19s grand final, coming from fifth spot on the ladder to go through the finals series undefeated.

Their greater desire and persistence in the last quarter could not be denied after turning a four-goal deficit into a 23-point victory, 17.8 to 13.9.

Gosnells went into the game as strong favourites and showed why with an excellent first quarter.

Half-back flanker Mark Oliver was instrumental in defence for Gosnells, along with rover Tony Zoi. However, hard-running Applecross players Brett Eiffler and Mark Horn kept their side in the game.

The second quarter saw Gosnells continue to dominate as John Francas, Chris Wisse and Brian Lester worked well in attack and went into the long break with a 24-point lead, 11.7 to 7.7.

The third quarter was an even affair, but Justin Tames started to kick goals at full forward for Applecross and John Murray was showing strong defensive qualities.

The last quarter produced one of the best team efforts seen in under 19s football.

Whatever coach Craig Campbell said to his players at three-quarter time certainly worked and their 10-goal quarter was inspirational.

Eiffler and Tames broke the back of Gosnells. The tall Eiffler was instrumental in clearing the ball out of the centre and Tames was the drive in attack, as Applecross stormed to victory.

Best on ground was Oliver, with his brilliant work in defence and the WAFL is well within his reach in the near future.



# SUNDAY SCENE

Bill Wake's weekly round-up of Sunday League matches.



## Wanneroo snatch Sunday flag in a thriller

WANNEROO, inspired by gutsy midfield player Paul Taylor, snatched the Sunday Football League premiership from Maddington in a thrilling grand final at Gosnells Oval last Sunday.

The Roos, superbly coached by former East Perth and Fitzroy ruckman Ian McCulloch, were the outstanding team over the season and deserved the title of Sunday champions.

But midway through the final term it looked as if Max Kiernan's Bulls were about to cause one of the biggest grand final upsets of recent times.

### INTERCHANGE

When full-forward John Begg kicked a goal early in the final term, followed by one from big interchange player Paul Tolin, the Bulls led by 17 points.

That was when the hard-working Taylor fired up to kick two quick goals.

Centreliner Troy Fullgrabe, with his brother Tony among the best players afield, kicked another and suddenly the game had been turned around.

The confident Roos finished with a final goal from Tony Fraser, giving them a well-earned 17.12 to 14.16 victory.

### GOLDEN ERA

Indications are that the Roos, a dominant team in the WAFU for a decade before joining the expanded SFL five years ago, are preparing for another golden era.

Apart from Taylor and the Fullgrabe brothers, they had match-winners in veteran rover Colin Blab and half-back flanker David Crute.

Maddington lost the game, but won the admiration of the big crowd.

## Trophy winners in the grand finals

**GRAND FINAL TROPHIES**  
LEAGUE — Superfine Print Trophy: **SHAUN DAVEY** (Maddington).  
RESERVES — Prosser Toyota Trophy: **MARK SPILSBURY** (Kelmescott).  
COLTS — Fred Holman Trophy: **MARK OLIVER** (Gosnells).

### Finals results

#### LEAGUE

**MADDINGTON 17.12 (114) d MADDINGTON 14.16 (100)**  
GOALS: WANNEROO: Taylor 5, Wynne, Tony Fullgrabe 3, Fraser, Waddell 2, McElwee, Troy Fullgrabe. MADDINGTON: Outridge, Adam Kiernan 3, Begg 2, Olsen, Hearn, Aaren Kiernan, Hewson, Lambkin, Tolan.  
BEST: WANNEROO: Paul Taylor, Troy Fullgrabe, Colin Blab, David Crute, Tony Fullgrabe. MADDINGTON: Shaun Davey, Graham Hewson, Andrew Kinross, Adam Kiernan, Ross McKenzie. Best player in grand final: Shaun Davey.

#### RESERVES

**KELMSCOTT 16.13 (109) d MADDINGTON 10.14 (74)**  
GOALS: KELMSCOTT: Walker 5, Peake 3, Cooper, Renton 2, Knuckey, Arbon, Taylor, Greaves. MADDINGTON: Okely 3, Potente, Harper 2, Dickinson, Harbrow, Patience.  
BEST: KELMSCOTT: Mark Spilsbury, Graham Cooper, Glen Smith, Andrew Walker, Mike Knuckey. MADDINGTON: Craig Harbrow, Norm Tower, Phil Okely, Brad Harper, John Chalwell. Best player in grand final: Mark Spilsbury.

#### COLTS

**APPLECROSS 17.8 (110) d GOSNELLS 13.9 (87)**  
GOALS: APPLECROSS: Tames 5, Horn 4, McGrath 3, Eiffler, Henley, Cooper, Taylor, Masten. GOSNELLS: Francas 3, Wisse, Dominish, Lester 2, M. Kemp, O'Sheehan, Billich, Walford.  
BEST: APPLECROSS: John Murray, Mark Horn, Malcolm Cooper, Gavin Smith, Justin Tames. GOSNELLS: Mark Oliver, John Francas, Adam Duffield, Stephen Thorpe, Tony Zoi. Best player in grand final: Mark Oliver.

Young ruck-rover Shaun Davey was brilliant and gave further proof that he has the ability to be a top player at WAFL level.

Wingmen Andrew Kinross and Graham Hewson, two players who helped take the Bulls into the grand final, were in superb touch midfield.

Dangerous half-forward Adam Kiernan kicked three telling goals to be another top player.

### SFL BOOST

The match was not only a triumph for Wanneroo and coach McCulloch, but also a great boost for the SFL.

The big crowd was treated to hard, tough football that can only promote Sunday football.

McCulloch's future with Wanneroo may well depend on the coaching situation at his old club, East Perth.

There are suggestions that he may replace Royals coach Gerard McNeill next season.

Kelmescott and Applecross shared something in common when they won the reserves and colts grand finals respectively.

Both came from fifth place to take out the flags — Kelmescott beating Maddington 16.13 to 10.14 and Applecross beating Gosnells 17.8 to 13.9.

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# One-sided finals in South West

THE first and second semi-finals in the South West league produced one-side victories last Sunday, with Carey Park and Bunbury now clashing in this week's preliminary final.

Hot premiership favourites South Bunbury stormed into the grand final with a crushing 25.14 to 15.5 victory over Carey Park.

Bunbury's finals campaign stayed alive with their 24.15 to 12.10 win over Harvey-Brunswick.

Bunbury received a bonus when ruckman Greg Fletcher kicked eight goals playing at full-forward, with Steve Larsen doing an adequate job in the hit-out department.

The dashing Wayne Davis kicked six goals from a wing and other good Bunbury players were Kim Gibbs in the centre and ruck-rover Grant Hawkes.

Harvey-Brunswick were disappointing, with Dom Crognale (four goals) and Paddy Papalia (three goals) in the better players, along with ruckman Frank Wilson and centreman Graham Jeffrey.

## THORNTON STARS

Former Swan Districts player Gavin Thornton gave a classic display at centre-half-forward for South Bunbury, kicking six goals and being best-on-ground.

Chris Raykos and Ian Bennell kicked five goals each, with wingmen Des Danns and Danny Platts in good form.

Carey Park had to use youngster Michael Hastie as a ruckman as their big-man strength continues to be depleted and other good players were Kim Harris at centre-half-forward and Kim Bailey in a tagging role on Bennell.

Sunday's preliminary final clash sees Carey Park holding a 2-1 advantage over Bunbury this season and their experience in finals should give them the advantage.

## Centrals do it easy in grand final replay

CENTRALS convincingly beat Tigers by 36 points in the replay of the Fortescue Leagues grand final, 15.13 (103) to 9.13 (67).

Tigers were first to score, but with Alan Stobaus doing well up forward with two goals and with Paul Giddons on-field generalship, a more systematic Centrals led by 11 points at quarter time.

Centrals extended their lead to 35 points at half-time, with strong defensive work from veterans Riseley and Gleeson.

The premiership was well in their grasp at three-quarter time with a 56-point lead, brought about mainly through their direct approach to goal.

Belated goals to the Tigers reduced the margin, but Centrals ran out winners by 36 points.

The win by Centrals completed a good year. They won the lightning premiership; Ross Brand won the Bielski Medal and their sixth premiership takes them to the lead in the league.

Coach Paul Giddons said after the win: "I couldn't ask for any more from the boys. It was a tremendous team effort with no passengers."

Tigers coach Charlie Salmon paid tribute to Centrals: "They were the better team on the day."

The Presidents trophy for the fairest and best player went to Michael Westerman, of Centrals, while the Ockerby Real Estate best-player award was won by Terry French, of Centrals.

## Tie in S-W Medal vote

THE South West League's Hayward Medal has resulted in a tie for the first time. Carey Park players Graham Jeffrey and Mark Skehan both polled 22 votes to share the award. In third place was Busselton's Robert Poepjes on 19 votes.

by  
**DENIS HEANEY**

## Boddington surprise

BODDINGTON pulled off a surprise when they outplayed the more favoured West Arthur 16.7 to 5.13 to win the first semi-final in the Upper Great Southern League last weekend.

The defeat signalled a disappointing end to a good season for West Arthur, who have been the most improved side in the competition.

Boddington will now be anxious to continue on their winning way when they meet Towns in the preliminary final on Sunday.

Premiership favourites Williams convincingly beat Towns 17.12 to 13.11 in the second semi-final and are now at unbackable odds to take out their second consecutive flag.



Classy forward Darren Tunbridge is one of the key performers in the Great Northern finals. The Mullewa centre-half-forward has been in top form and he is a man the opposition will have to counter in the premiership battle.

## NEWDEGATE TURN TABLES

THE tables were turned last Sunday when minor premiers Ongerup suffered a shock defeat at the hands of Newdegate in the grand final of the Ongerup Association.

Newdegate were worthy winners with a resounding 80-point win, 22.13 to 9.11, after suffering a 23-point loss to Ongerup in the second semi-final.

Jerramungup had to face Newdegate on the rebound in the preliminary final and lost by 12 points, in a game that helped to regain confidence in the Newdegate side.

Newdegate had too much class for Ongerup with strong defensive work and superior attacking moves up forward.



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## Royals too strong in Albany duel

ROYALS won their second consecutive Southern Districts Football League premiership when they overpowered North Mt Barker in the third term to set up their 17.13 (115) to 9.6 (60) win at Centennial Oval on Sunday.

The Lions kicked five goals in the first 10 minutes of the third quarter, after trailing by four points at half-time.

It was their 13th premiership, while North Barker have now been runners-up 11 times in the league's 31-year history.

Ironically, the three players reported in the second semi-final and subsequently let off due to a technicality — Shaun Colbung, Darryl Byatt and Ken Kelly — were Royals best.

North Barker's top trio were Cameron Taylor, Dennis Smallwood and Gary Pope. Byatt kicked five goals for the victors and Greg Saunders scored three for the Demons.

The Alan Hamilton Medallist based on the umpires' voting went to Royals player Michael Riches.

North Albany won the reserves and colts. As underdogs, they beat Railways in the reserves 6.12 (48) to 6.3 (39).

North Albany's Alan Noakes won the Barry and Darrell Panizza trophy for best afield and Kanga team-mates Rod Kerr and Andrew Bignell also played well. Railways best were Robert Davies, Wayne Shearer and Greg O'Donnell.

Craig Blight (North Albany) and Tim Scott (Railways) kicked four goals each.

The Kangas won the colts 11.12 (78) to 6.2 (38) against Royals. Their best were Ray Horne, Nigel Hoffman and Dale Thompson, who won the Bill Backshall Medal.

Royals best were Ian Beeck, Jason Prosser and Wayne Hulm.

Three players each scored three goals — North Albany's Jason Offer and Troy Keen and Lion John Fishwick.

## Milestone day

MINES Rover captain-coach Peter Rowe celebrated his 200th league game recently, with a strong win over Augusta-Margaret River.

The Collie veteran played one season for East Perth, notching nine league games and also had an injury-plagued year with Wagin.

He is now in his third season of coaching and though the Collie Miners finished well out of the top five, they have an exciting crop of recruits coming up.

Rowe, a tigerish centreman, has also played about 20 games with combined South West sides.

## Medal win to Collie player

FORMER Collie footballer Paul Moyses has enjoyed immediate success in his move to the city to play with strong Sunday League club Wanneroo.

The one-time Mines Rovers star has won Wanneroo's fairest and best award and is a key player in their premiership bid.

Wanneroo are coached by former East Perth and Fitzroy ruckman Ian McCulloch, who coached Mines Rovers when he worked in Collie as publican of the Premier Hotel.

Moyses has already attracted the attention of West Perth, but because he played a reserves game with Swan Districts several years ago — before the Collie district was re-zoned to the Falcons — he would need a clearance.

## Jones takes Albany award

FORMER East Fremantle player Russell Jones has won the Albany Toyota footballer-of-the-year award. Jones, playing in the centre for South Mt Barker, finished in front of Shaun Colbung (Royals) and Gerard Cameron (North Albany). It was a consolation for Jones who was runner-up to Cameron in this year's Kleeman Medal for the league's fairest and best — the second year running.

## COUNTRY FINALS

AVON: Grand Finals — League: York 17.12 b Cunderin 12.8. Reserves: Tammin 16.5 b York 7.6.  
SOUTHERN DISTRICTS: Grand Finals — League: Royals 17.13 b North Mt Barker 9.6. Reserves: North Albany 6.12 b Railways 6.3. Colts: North Albany 11.12 b Royals 6.2.  
CENTRAL WHEATBELT: Grand Finals — League: Bencubbin 26.18 b Beacon 10.11. A Reserve: Southern Cross 9.14 b Muckinbudin 8.10.  
MORTLOCK: Grand Finals — League: Toodyay 13.13 b Dowerin 11.17. A Reserve: Wongan Hills 15.12 b Dowerin 8.11. Colts: Dowerin 16.12 b Goomalling 7.6.  
FORTESCUE: Grand Final Replay: Centrals 15.13 b Tigers 9.13.  
CENTRAL GREAT SOUTHERN: Grand Final — League: Kojonup 15.16 b Kokerin 8.8. Reserves: Kojonup 15.8 b Australs 7.8; Saints 15.6 b Australs 13.10.  
GREAT NORTHERN: 1st Semi-Final — Colts: Mullewa 15.12 b Railways 4.7. Reserves: Rovers 14.12 b Brigades 7.9. League: Brigades 15.14 b Railways 15.13.  
SOUTH WEST: 1st Semi-Final: Bunbury 24.15 b Harvey-Brunswick 12.10. 2nd Semi-Final: South Bunbury 25.14 b Carey Park 15.5.  
ONGERUP ASSOCIATION: Grand Finals — League: Newdegate 22.13 b Ongerup 9.11. Reserves: Ongerup 3.13 b Gnowangerup 8.6. Juniors: Jerramungup 6.8 b Boxwood Hill 4.6.  
UPPER GREAT SOUTHERN: 1st Semi-Final — League: Boddington 16.7 b West Arthur 5.13. Reserves: Towns 11.6 b Lake Grace 6.10. Colts: Williams 6.9 b Wagin 2.5. 2nd Semi-Final — League: Williams 17.12 b Towns 13.11. Reserves: Boddington 8.15 b Railways 8.9. Colts: Towns 11.6 b Pingelly 6.7.  
CENTRAL MIDLANDS: Grand Finals — League: Dalwallinu 20.11 b Moora Rovers 14.11. Reserves: Dalwallinu 15.10 b Moora Warriors 15.9. Colts: Moora Warriors 8.10 b New Norcia College 3.9.  
LOWER SOUTH WEST: Grand Final — League: Southerners 16.15 b Deanmill 9.7. Reserves: Southerners 16.7 b Imperials 8.6. Colts: Imperials 13.7 b Southerners 3.4.  
NORTH MIDLANDS: Grand Finals — League: Morawa 22.12 b Mingenew 12.12. Reserves: Dongara 8.8 b Mingenew 8.7.  
GOLDFIELDS: 2nd Semi-Final: Mines 19.7 b Kambalda 9.8.

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 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 Dist 15.7, Subiaco 15.18, Bassendean East Perth 11.6, Claremont 20.21, WACA East Frem 13.13, Sth Frem 26.20, East Frem West Perth 13.8, Perth 19.14, Leederville

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 6 (Round 19)**  
 Perth 15.12, Subiaco 18.21, WACA East Frem 13.15, East Perth 16.15, East Frem Claremont 18.16, Swan Dist 11.7, Claremont South Frem 22.7, West Perth 16.15, Fremantle

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 14 (Round 20)**  
 Double header at Subiaco:  
 South Frem 16.9, Claremont 13.20  
 Subiaco 20.20, West Perth 7.17  
 East Perth 15.13, Perth 16.12, WACA East Frem 16.19, Swan Dist 11.13, East Frem

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 20 (Round 21)**  
 South Frem 16.19, Subiaco 11.12, Fremantle Swan Dist 17.11, Perth 26.13, Bassendean Claremont 12.16, East Frem 18.14, Claremont West Perth 15.17, East Perth 16.17, Leederville

**FIRST SEMI-FINAL**  
**SATURDAY, AUGUST 27**  
 East Frem 24.14, South Frem 14.20.

**SECOND SEMI-FINAL**  
**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4**  
 Claremont 22.12, Subiaco 17.17

**PRELIMINARY FINAL**  
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10**  
 Subiaco 19.10, East Frem 17.19

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18**  
 Grand Final

## PREMIERSHIP TABLES

### SGIO WAFL LEAGUE

	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Pts
CLAREMONT	14	6	1	2354	1796	131.07	58
SUBIACO	14	7	-	2296	1916	119.83	56
S. FREMANTLE	13	8	-	2306	2137	107.91	52
E. FREMANTLE	13	8	-	2226	2104	105.80	52
Perth	12	9	-	2397	2280	105.13	48
W. Perth	8	13	-	1992	2201	90.50	32
East Perth	5	16	-	1905	2408	79.11	20
Swan Districts	4	16	1	1991	2625	75.84	18

### WAFL PRIME RESERVES

	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Pts
PERTH	15	6	-	2398	1434	167.22	60
CLAREMONT	15	6	-	2055	1600	128.43	60
E. PERTH	12	9	-	1839	1920	95.78	48
SUBIACO	11	10	-	1993	1564	127.43	44
E. Fremantle	11	10	-	2016	1822	110.65	44
S. Fremantle	8	13	-	1846	2153	85.74	32
W. Perth	8	13	-	1614	2050	78.73	32
Swan Districts	4	17	-	1327	2545	52.14	16

### WAFL UNDER-19s

	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Pts
SUBIACO	16	5	-	1729	1072	161.28	64
CLAREMONT	15	5	1	1715	1070	160.28	62
E. PERTH	15	6	-	1428	1123	127.15	60
S. FREMANTLE	13	8	-	1673	1165	143.60	52
E. Fremantle	8	12	1	1294	1483	87.25	34
Perth	8	13	-	1321	1354	97.56	32
W. Perth	7	14	-	1382	1564	88.36	28
Swan Districts	1	20	-	798	2507	31.80	4

### VFL

	W	L	D	F	A	%	Pts
HAWTHORN	19	3	-	2791	1962	142.3	76
CWOOD	15	6	1	1948	1728	112.7	62
CARLTON	15	7	-	2342	1961	119.4	60
WEST COAST	13	9	-	2199	1966	111.8	52
MELBOURNE	13	9	-	2003	1961	102.1	52
Essendon	12	10	-	2186	2017	108.4	48
Sydney	12	10	-	2169	2176	99.7	48
Footscray	11	11	-	1880	1803	104.3	44
Geelong	10	12	-	2356	2246	104.9	40
Richmond	8	14	-	2161	2540	85.1	32
N. Melbourne	7	14	1	2361	2638	89.5	30
Fitzroy	7	15	-	2138	2538	83.8	28
Brisbane	7	15	-	1806	2421	74.6	28
St Kilda	4	18	-	1708	2081	82.1	16

### SANFL

	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Pts
PORTADELAIDE	16	6	-	2426	1903	56.04	32
CENTRAL DIST	15	6	1	2572	1923	57.22	31
NORWOOD	14	8	-	2384	1808	56.87	28
GLENELG	13	9	0	2456	1854	56.98	26
STURT	13	9	-	2458	2284	51.83	26
North Adelaide	11	10	1	2182	1983	52.39	23
Woodville	9	13	-	2350	2594	47.53	18
West Adelaide	9	13	-	2112	2403	46.78	18
West Torrens	8	14	-	1986	2488	44.39	16
South Adelaide	1	21	-	1540	3226	32.31	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

**FINALS**  
 Elimination (Saturday, Sept 3, VFL Park) Melbourne 11.7 b Eagles 10.11  
 Qualifying (Sunday, Sept 4, MCG) Carlton 22.13 b Collingwood 16.11  
 Second Semi (Saturday, Sept 10, VFL Park) Hawthorn 9.12, Carlton 6.9  
 First Semi (Sunday, Sept 11, MCG) Melbourne 13.17, Collingwood 12.10

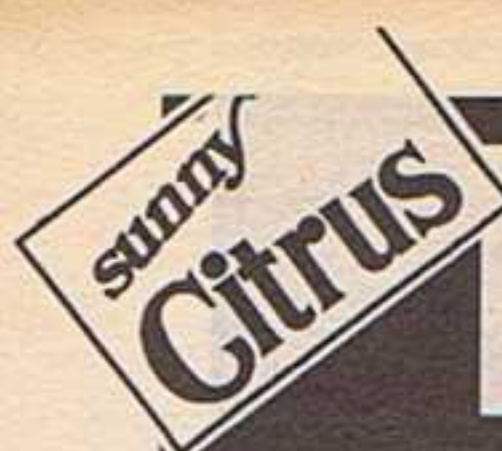
**Round 13 — (June 25, Saturday)**  
 Melbourne 10.6, Carlton 5.13, VFL Park  
 Hawthorn 17.10, Geelong 12.15, Prince Park  
 Essendon 10.15, Footscray 15.9, Windy Hill  
 Collingwood 9.14, Sydney Swans 2.11, Victoria Park  
 St Kilda 8.18, Richmond 5.11, Moorabbin  
 N. Melb. 22.19, Bears 13.7, MCG

**(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 10.14, 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





# NATIONAL SCOREBOARD

## WAFL

**SUBIACO** ..... 8.2 11.6 12.7 19.10 124  
**EAST FREMANTLE** ..... 2.4 7.9 15.15 17.19 121  
**GOALS:** SUBIACO: Georgiades 6.3, Heady 4.1, Breman 2.0, Hutcheson 1.2, N. Taylor 1.1, Cocker 1.1, McDougall 1, Cox 1, Kent 1, Dargie 1. EAST FREMANTLE: Browning 6.1, Lester-Smith 4.3, Waterson 2.5, Little 2.1, Rowland 2, Peake 1.2, Rankin 0.1, Quill 0.1, Sterrett 0.1, Ellis 0.1, Christie 0.1, forced 0.2.  
**BEST:** SUBIACO: Keene, Georgiades, McDougall, Heady, Hutcheson, Carpenter. EAST FREMANTLE: Browning, Ellis, Wrensted, Edgar, Quill, Christie.  
 Played at Subiaco Oval. Umpires David Johnson, Phil O'Reilly. Attendance 13,112.

## PRIME RESERVES

**SUBIACO** ..... 2.4 6.7 9.12 12.16 88  
**CLAREMONT** ..... 1.1 3.3 5.4 5.5 35  
**GOALS:** SUBIACO: Johnson 2, Keyser 2, Golding 2, Sloan 2, Hooper 1, Higgins 1, Bell 1, Slade 1. CLAREMONT: Hall 2, Hutton 1, Burton 1, Govan 1.  
**BEST:** SUBIACO: Cope, Caldwell, Golding, Hooper, Sloan, Sullivan. CLAREMONT: Urquhart, Passera, Elliott, Govan, Milne, Krakouer.  
 Umpires Glen Lee, Mike Ball.

## WAFL UNDER-19s

**EAST PERTH** ..... 2.5 5.8 9.10 10.14 74  
**SUBIACO** ..... 2.1 7.3 9.5 10.8 68  
**GOALS:** EAST PERTH: Annison 2, Seacamp 2, Cumming 1, McGuire 1, Stewart 1, Bertolini 1, Softly 1, Crotty 1. SUBIACO: Stannage 2, Hunter 2, Lindberg 2, Garnaut 2, Gardner 1, Burton 1.  
**BEST:** EAST PERTH: Crook, Ionnakis, Silcock. SUBIACO: Garnaut, Burton, Underwood.  
 Umpires Bryan Hadjimihalakis, Greg Scroop.

## VFL

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 SECOND SEMI-FINAL

**HAWTHORN** ..... 0.3 6.6 6.3 9.12 66  
**CARLTON** ..... 2.5 3.5 6.8 6.9 45  
**GOALS:** HAWTHORN: Brereton 3, DiPierdomenico 1, Wittman 1, Buckenara 1, Dunstall 1, Greene 1, Kennedy 1. CARLTON: Naley 2, Silvagni, Kernahan, Dorotich, Murphy.  
**BEST:** HAWTHORN: Platten, Buckenara, Kennedy, Dear, Mew, Brereton. CARLTON: Bradley, Naley, Blackwell, Alvin, Meldrum, Da Rui.  
 Played at VFL Park. Umpires Peter Cameron, Dennis Rich. Attendance 60,052.

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 FIRST SEMI-FINAL

**MELBOURNE** ..... 3.8 8.11 10.13 13.17 95  
**COLLINGWOOD** ..... 2.5 5.6 9.7 12.10 82  
**GOALS:** MELBOURNE: Wight 3, Lyon 2, Wilson 2, Stynes 2, Newport 2, O'Dwyer 1, Spalding 1. COLLINGWOOD: Taylor 6, McKeown 2, McGuane 2, Wright 1, Ryan 1.  
**BEST:** MELBOURNE: Lovell, Lovett, Lyon, Yeats, Stynes, Duursma, Spalding, O'Dwyer. COLLINGWOOD: Daicos, Shaw, McGuane, Brown, McKeown, Crosisca.  
 Played at MCG. Umpires Peter Carey, Bryan Sheehan. Attendance 87,407.

## VFL RESERVES

**PRELIMINARY FINALS**  
**ESSENDON** ..... 5.3 6.8 9.11 13.12 90  
**HAWTHORN** ..... 6.4 9.8 10.10 13.10 88  
**GOALS:** ESSENDON: Plain 7, Bailey 3, Moore 1, Somerville 1, Dell 1. HAWTHORN: Ralphsmith 3, Cummings 3, Bourke 2, Condon 1, Lawrence 1, Wicks 1, Cooper 1, Gahan 1.  
**BEST:** ESSENDON: Plain, O'Brien, Filandia, Francis, Rogers, Bailey. HAWTHORN: Russo, Bingham, P. Dear, Wicks, Anderson.

**SECOND SEMI-FINAL**  
**FOOTSCRAY** ..... 1.4 4.8 7.10 11.14 80  
**NORTH MELBOURNE** ..... 0.1 1.3 4.9 7.11 53  
**GOALS:** FOOTSCRAY: Cordy 5, Campbell 2, McPherson 2, Somerville 1, Moloney 1. NORTH MELBOURNE: Love 4, Lisle 1, McCann 1, Pickering 1.  
**BEST:** FOOTSCRAY: Cullen, Irvine, Moloney, Allday, Cordy, Liberatore. NORTH MELBOURNE: Ackerly, Buckley, Kerr, Lisle, Harris, Romero.

## UNDER 19s

**FIRST SEMI-FINAL**  
**ESSENDON** ..... 2.3 7.5 11.11 12.15 87  
**CARLTON** ..... 3.3 6.6 7.8 10.12 72  
**GOALS:** ESSENDON: Davies 3, O'Neill 3, Pannell 2, Barrow 2, Medew 1, Johnston 1. CARLTON: Barron-Toop 3, Dixon 2, Mathews 1, White 1, Marra 1, Cox 1, Donohue 1.  
**BEST:** ESSENDON: Barrow, Davies, Lupson, Medew, Kennaway, Johnston. CARLTON: Scicluna, White, Mathews, Cavedon, Dixon.

**SECOND SEMI-FINAL**  
**NORTH MELBOURNE** ..... 4.3 12.6 15.13 18.14 122  
**GEELONG** ..... 3.2 4.5 6.6 12.11 83  
**GOALS:** NORTH MELBOURNE: Hay 5, A. Krakouer 3, Carey 3, Christie 2, Tudor 1, Watson 1, Davis 1, Menara 1, Djordjevic 1. GEELONG: Hill 3, Keast 2, Hungerford 2, McDonald 1, Davey 1, Wiffen 1, Fleming 1, Blythe 1.  
**BEST:** NORTH MELBOURNE: Menara, Davis, McGrath, Venner, Carey, Hay, Barwick. GEELONG: Pacor, Wilson, McDonald, Hill, Jones, Lazzaro.

**ACT**  
**PRELIMINARY FINAL**  
**AINSLIE 15.13 (103) d EASTLAKE 9.10 (64)**  
**GOALS:** AINSLIE: S. Smith 4, A. Bishop 3, Wingate 2, Rogers 1, Zochling 1, Richardson 1, C. Smith 1, Baxter 1, Sinclair 1. EASTLAKE: Turner 3, Mahoney 3, Fellowes 1, O'Connell 1, Cunningham 1.  
**BEST:** AINSLIE: Muir, A. Bishop, Richardson, Porta, Killer. EASTLAKE: Hanna, O'Connell, Duffy, McCurdy, Mickelson.

## SANFL

**QUALIFYING FINAL**  
**NORWOOD** ..... 2.2 5.5 9.8 15.10 100  
**CENTRAL DISTRICT** ..... 1.6 5.8 7.11 8.13 61  
**GOALS:** NORWOOD: Francis 4, Balme 2, Anderson 2, Ducker 2, Aish 1, Payne 1, R. Maynard 1, Pettit 1, B. Maynard 1. CENTRAL DISTRICT: Smith 3, Mandemaker 2, Kickett 1, McAdam 1, Hocking 1.  
**BEST:** NORWOOD: Kelly, Ducker, Francis, Warhurst, Thorpe. CENTRAL DISTRICT: Smith, McAdam, Thomas, Sullivan, Boettger.

**ELIMINATION FINAL**  
**GLENELG** ..... 4.1 8.4 12.4 15.12 102  
**STURT** ..... 0.8 2.12 2.15 4.19 43  
**GOALS:** GLENELG: Hodgeman 4, Hewett 3, Budarick 3, Melican 2, Mansell 1, Maynard 1, West 1. STURT: Field 1, Whittleson 1, Dilena 1, Ey 1.  
**BEST:** GLENELG: Grenvold, Hodgeman, Maynard, Mansell, McDermott, Budarick. STURT: Dilena, Field, Welsby, Lennon, Paynter.

## OTHER STATES

**TASMANIA**  
**TFL - PRELIMINARY FINAL**  
**GLENORCHY 24.22 (166) d BURNIE 8.8 (56)**  
**GOALS:** GLENORCHY: Smyth 6, Styles 4, Mansfield 3, Howlett 3, L. Lockley 2, Bromfield 2, Tovey 1, Linton 1, C. Lockley 1, Queen 1. BURNIE: Newman 4, Knights 2, Cross 1, Saltmarsh 1.  
**BEST:** GLENORCHY: Fletcher, Smyth, Ling, Linton. BURNIE: Clarke, Templeton, Heath, Baker.

**NTFL - PRELIMINARY FINAL**  
**BURNIE 17.14 (114) d ULVERSTONE 12.15 (87)**  
**GOALS:** BURNIE: S. Walker 6, Russell 2, Hayes 2, Cox 2, Grey 1, Miller 1, Burdack 1, Lucas 1, Bowen 1. ULVERSTONE: Evans 3, Burgess 2, Davies 2, Geard 2, Saville 1, Brown 1, Barrett 1.  
**BEST:** BURNIE: Hayes, Lucas, Walker, Miller. ULVERSTONE: Tuson, Saville, Smith, Evans.

**NEW SOUTH WALES**  
**PRELIMINARY FINALS**  
**CAMPBELLTOWN 19.12 (126) d NORTH SHORE 13.12 (90)**  
**GOALS:** CAMPBELLTOWN: Cope 4, Podbury 3, Smith 2, Reid 2, Kershaw 2, Martin 2, Matheson 2, Haines 1, Underwood 1. NORTH SHORE: Angelis 5, Robertson 5, Mills 1, Dignan 1, Worrell 1.  
**BEST:** CAMPBELLTOWN: Podbury, Matheson, Martin, Cope. NORTH SHORE: Robertson, Bray, Phillips, Querzoll.  
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Last year's Buccaneer of the Year was Claremont's Peter Thorne — the Simpson Medal winner in the Tigers victorious grand final team.

CLAREMONT				
	Total Points	Games Played	Average Rating	2nd Semi
AITKEN, Michael	39	7	5.5	-
ALLAN, Ben	132	21	6.2	6
AHMAT, Joe	36	7	5.1	7
BEGOVICH, Tony	98	17	5.4	7
BERESFORD, Brian	26	5	5.2	-
BEVERIDGE, Todd	11	2	5.5	-
BRAYSHAW, Mark	102	18	5.6	6
BEERS, Tony	108	19	5.6	5
BUCKLEY, Damon	4	1	4.0	-
BURTON, Paul	4	1	4.0	-
COURT, David	58	12	4.8	-
DHUE, Ryan	5	1	5.0	-
EDWARDS, Scott	100	17	5.8	-
ELLIOTT, Matt	9	2	4.5	-
GILBERT, Phil	6	2	3.0	-
HANN, Mark	113	19	5.9	1
HIGGINS, Peter	40	8	5.0	6
HUTTON, John	41	8	5.1	5
JAMES, Peter	61	13	4.6	5
JONES, Geoff	23	5	4.6	-
KICKETT, Dale	55	11	5.0	6
KRAKOUER, Billy	39	8	4.8	-
LEWIS, Cam	93	17	5.4	4r
LEWIS, Chris	11	2	5.5	-
MCKENNA, Guy	6	1	6.0	-
MELESSO, Peter	99	19	5.2	7
MORTON, Noel	70	13	5.3	8
NEESHAM, Gerard	81	13	6.2	-
O'CONNELL, David	75	14	5.3	-
O'CONNELL, Michael	30	6	5.0	5
OWENS, Peter	89	16	5.5	6
POVEY, Grant	123	21	5.8	7
PYKE, Don	127	21	5.8	7
SHEPHERD, Cam	12	2	6.0	-
SUTHERLAND, Brian	79	15	5.2	-
SCOTT, John	100	20	5.0	6
THOMSON, Mal	91	18	5.0	-
THORNE, Peter	79	13	6.0	7
URQUHART, Julian	12	2	6.0	4
YARRAN, Nicky	14	3	4.6	-

SUBIACO					
	Total Points	Games Played	Average Rating	2nd Semi	Prelim v EF
BELL, John	10	3	3.3	-	-
BREMAN, Todd	104	21	4.9	4	6
BROWN, Clinton	81	14	5.7	4	5
BRICE, Andrew	116	20	5.8	6	6
CALDOW, Richard	27	5	5.4	-	-
CARPENTER, Greg	61	13	4.6	6	6
COCKER, Shane	127	21	6.0	6	4
COOPER, John	4	1	4.0	-	-
COPE, Tony	39	7	5.5	5	-
COX, Paul	18	4	4.5	-	4r
DARGIE, Ian	125	21	5.9	6	5
FEATHERBY, Peter	7	2	3.5	-	-
FIELD, Richard	18	4	4.5	-	-
GEORGIADES, John	109	19	5.7	7	7
GOLDING, Wayne	20	4	5.0	-	-
HEADY, Brett	44	9	4.8	-	6
HIGGINS, Paul	25	6	4.1	-	-
HOOVER, Stephen	7	2	3.5	-	-
HUTCHINSON, Bret	67	12	5.5	4	5
HUTCHESON, Glen	58	11	5.2	6	6
JENNINGS, Mick	111	19	5.8	4	4
JONES, Graham	60	13	4.6	6	4
KEENE, Laurie	27	5	5.4	-	8
KEMP, Garry	66	13	5.0	-	4
KEYSER, Gavin	23	5	4.6	-	-
LANGDON, Karl	6	1	6.0	-	-
LEE, Michael	117	19	6.1	6	4r
LINDBERG, Jonas	5	1	5.0	-	-
MacNISH, Andrew	64	11	5.8	1	-
MORT, Michael	23	6	3.8	-	-
MONAGHAN, Bill	60	11	5.0	4	-
MONAGHAN, Steve	6	2	3.0	-	-
McDOUGALL, Brad	115	20	5.7	4	6
PIGGOTT, Darren	3	1	3.0	-	-
RATTRAY, Alex	44	10	4.4	-	-
READ, Damien	24	6	4.0	-	-
ROSCH, Stephen	4	1	4.0	-	-
SPARKS, Kevan	23	5	4.6	4	4
SULLIVAN, John	53	10	5.3	-	6
TAYLOR, Neil	89	15	5.9	6	6
TAYLOR, Brian	128	21	6.0	7	5
WILLET, Rod	105	21	5.0	4	-
WILKINSON, Greg	9	2	4.5	-	-
ZANOTTI, Mark	15	3	5.0	-	-

EAST FREMANTLE					
	Total Points	Games Played	Average Rating	1st Semi-Final v SF	Prelim v Sub
AMARANTI, Mark	42	9	4.6	-	-
BAXTER, Guy	82	14	5.8	-	-
BRENNAN, Michael	6	1	6.0	-	-
BROWNING, Clinton	99	18	5.5	5	7
BROADBRIDGE, Mick	107	19	5.6	-	-
BUSHELL, David	78	15	5.2	-	-
COLE, Dean	71	14	5.0	-	-
COOPER, Eric	63	13	4.8	5	5r
CHRISTIE, George	97	16	6.0	5	6
DURACK, Lance	107	19	5.6	7	4
DERECOURT, Jon	112	21	5.3	5	5
ELLIS, Shane	130	21	6.1	7	7
EDGAR, Stephen	109	19	5.7	4	6
FOLEY, Andrew	6	1	6.0	-	-
FORMAN, Bryce	34	9	3.7	-	-
GEPP, Tim	43	9	4.7	-	-
GRACE, Stephen	10	2	5.0	-	-
JENKINS, Todd	-	-	5	-	4
LAMB, Colin	21	4	5.2	-	-
LESTER-SMITH, Neil	87	17	5.1	6	6
LITTLE, Michael	10	2	5.0	5	5
McLEAN, Craig	15	3	5.0	-	-
MILLER, Gavin	73	15	4.8	-	-
NANNUP, Wayne	5	1	5.0	-	-
O'SULLIVAN, John	115	20	5.7	6	6
PEANE, Brian	112	20	5.6	6	6
PILL, Shane	2	1	2.0	-	-
QUILL, Peter	96	17	5.6	7	6
RANKIN, David	77	15	5.1	4	5
READ, Bradley	5	1	5.0	-	-
REGAN, Dwain	14	3	4.6	-	-
ROWLAND, Scott	82	16	5.1	5	3r
ROWE, Bradley	16	4	4.0	-	-
ROWE, David	47	11	4.2	-	-
RYDER, Revis	15	3	5.0	-	-
SIMS, Geoff	10	2	5.0	-	-
STERRETT, Ray	88	15	5.8	-	4
SYMMONS, Glen	10	2	5.0	5	-
THORN, Harry	4	1	4.0	-	-
WATERMAN, Chris	67	11	6.0	7	5
WATERSON, Collin	12	2	6.0	6	5
WEBER, Robert	32	6	5.3	-	-
WOLF, Clinton	7	1	7.0	8	4
WRENSTED, Murray	32	5	6.4	7	7



## Leigh blows his lid

COLLINGWOOD coach Leigh Matthews was in no mood to be nice after last Sunday's first-semi final loss to Melbourne at the MCG.

Matthews had few kind things to say about his magpies or umpires Bryan Sheehan and Peter Carey.

The threat of a hefty \$2,000 fine wasn't enough to deter Matthews from publicly criticising Sheehan and Carey when he spoke candidly with Channel 7's Ian Robertson immediately after the game.

Once he had warmed up, 'Lethal' took aim at Carey and John Russo, who officiated in Collingwood's 38-point loss to Carlton in the qualifying final last Sunday week.

So, as Collingwood were bundled out of the finals with two straight losses (as they were in 1972) their coach once again lifted the lid on the vexing question of public criticism of umpires.

In fact, Matthews may have taken the whole debate a step further.

### DIABOLICAL

He told Robertson on live television that he (Matthews) had spoken with the VFL umpires' director Bill Deller following his team's loss to Carlton and that Deller had agreed with his assertion 'that the 50-50 decisions had gone diabolically against the Magpies.'

Maybe they did but Leigh is out of line by making public any comment from Deller.

If this is to become common practice then the major source of input from the clubs to umpires will be destroyed.

Where Matthews is right is in relation to 50-50 free kicks.

It goes without saying that there is a

### Magpies' coach out of line

soft interpretation and a hard interpretation of the majority of laws in footy.

It's when you constantly think you're getting a tougher application for you than against you that, as a coach, you start to scream.

I remember having a similar experience to that of Matthews in 1983 when West Perth lost a vital game early in the season.

### THERAPEUTIC

On the following Monday I phoned the umpires' adviser.

Coming off a loss of less than a goal, the call itself was therapeutic.

Ross Capes told me he hadn't been at Leederville but said he would check with the umpires' observer and call me right back.

He did, and his first words to me were that the observer at the game had asked him what had taken Cometti so long to call.

The umpire who was central to my call to Capes never umpired another WAFL game.

Of course, the stakes were higher for Matthews last Sunday but he would have been wise to wait for the statute of limitations which is five years (and a spot in the media).

A recent study in the United States showed that teams in major league

### COMETTI

By Channel 7 commentator DENNIS COMETTI



sports in that country wearing dark uniforms received 30 per cent fewer penalties for than against.

Here we're talking black in particular, navy and aggressive colours like red.

If you'll pardon the pun, Leigh is in a grey area pointing to any such study after matches with Carlton and Melbourne.

Still, umpires have shown their colours (last one, I promise) by decking themselves out in the all white.

Remember the old matinees . . . good guys in white hats bad guys in black hats?

Maybe that went deeper than we ever realised.

Just to be safe, let's get the Eagles into beige.

## Media bans only hurt football



AND LASTLY

with ALAN EAST

THE sensitive question of media-club relationships has surfaced once again — at a crucial time when the WAFL badly needs harmony in football.

East Fremantle have been the trend-setters all season in trying to build a "them and us" situation — one of the successful ploys John Todd used when he coached Swan Districts to three premierships.

Graham Melrose, a protege of Todd and in his second year at the coaching helm of East Fremantle, has admitted to having problems with his coaching philosophies off the field.

In a radio interview on 6PR last week, he conceded that he probably lacked diplomacy in dealing with some of the political aspects of football coaching.

### DRASTIC

While it is admirable for coaches to take drastic measures in their endeavours to win premierships, putting the game, its promotion and its image in jeopardy is not good overall. One must remember the basic coaching philosophy of all good coaches — the team is bigger than the individual and this also applies to clubs.

Melrose has been off-side with the media all year, refusing to comment after losing games; being fairly uncooperative even after winning games and generally trying to keep the scribes at arm's length.

If he doesn't like the media, that's his prerogative.

But when it comes to telling the football public about the players, the entertainers they pay to go and see, then it is the duty of the media to explore every avenue available.

### FLOUTED

East Fremantle have continually flouted the WAFL regulations about naming teams correctly this season and they often sprung selection surprises on the day of the match.

It's just such a pity that people like Melrose and his club can't come to grips with the fact that the majority of the media want to do the right thing by the game.

The ban obviously embarrassed the WAFL, especially with Board chairman Harry Morgan being the previous East Fremantle club president.

WAFL chief executive Peter Cummiskey has had more than his share of



Graham Melrose ... tight-lipped.

political controversy this season, mainly trying to keep some clubs out of hot water.

He adroitly parried the media ban issue when it was raised at the after-match press conference following East Fremantle's loss to Subiaco.

Cummiskey did indicate, however, that if East Fremantle had gone on to the grand final, the League would have asked the club to reconsider the ban.

### ACCESS

"The question of a lack of access to players involved in such a finals match had been raised with the club," he said.

Former East Fremantle and Eagles coach Ron Alexander also had his say on the issue last weekend.

Admitting that he tried it once, but quickly reversed his decision, Alexander said that it wasn't the right thing to do.

This continual conflict and animosity between coaches, clubs and the media does the game no good. Football needs co-operation in this time of crisis and getting media critics off-side can only be detrimental.

The game constantly cries out for better communication and that in itself leads to better promotion.

While the media can often be answerable to questionable tactics, the bottom line is that the football is in the club's court.

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