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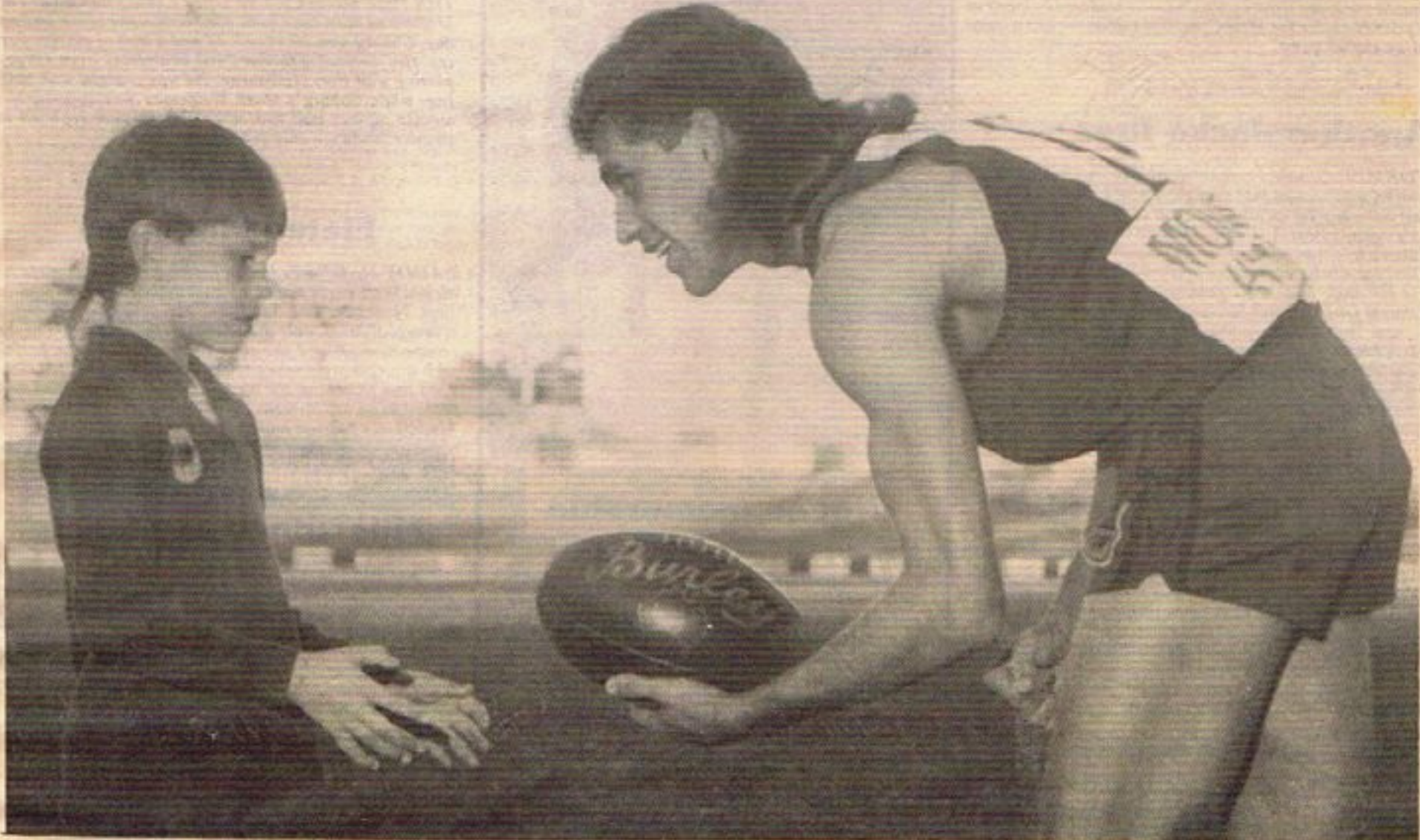
Umpires hold a time bomb



Those terrific Tigers



More All-Stars named



Falcons star Malcolm Williams has a few handballing hints for his seven-year-old brother Richard....who is already showing signs of having a skilful career ahead of him

ONE-MAN WAR!

WEST Perth's livewire rover Malcolm Williams is all fired up to eradicate a nightmare.

He has vowed to help West Perth reach the finals....and this Saturday is his chance.

The Falcons, who have fought a desperate rearguard action all season to keep in touch with the top four, would already be in fourth spot had Williams not missed a crucial kick for goal 14 weeks ago.

That miss gave Swan Districts a one-point winning margin and, more importantly, the four premiership points which currently separate the two sides on the SGIO League ladder.

A loss to fourth-placed Swans this Saturday will relegate West Perth to the ranks of also-rans this season and Williams will forever be haunted by his May 13 error.

"I haven't been able to forget that game," Wil-

Williams promises to atone for early error

iams said. "And I'm going to make up for it this week."

There was an iron-like determination behind those words and with the Falcons 1988 fairest and best winner back to his blistering best, it could spell disaster for the Swans fairytale revival.

"We will definitely beat Swans on Saturday," Williams said.

"We've developed a great understanding among ourselves; we're running the ball well and I can't see them beating us."

Coach George Michalczyk summed up the importance of the game by saying: "If we lose, we're finished for this season."

"But we won't lose. I have complete faith in the team; they'll prove the critics, who have been writing us off all year, wrong."

Likewise, Swans coach Ed Blackaby knows that his side must win — and they're confident of victory.


"We should have experienced pair Don Langford and Danny Penny back in the side," he said. "Craig Hoycard will also come under consideration and Kevin Caton will undergo a fitness test before the game."

If West Perth beat Swans, the fight for fourth spot could be decided on percentage in the final round of qualifying fixtures on August 26.

The Falcons have the better draw and would be favoured to sneak into the finals as they play Perth at Leederville Oval, while Swans face second-placed South Fremantle at Bassendean Oval.

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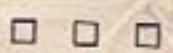
IN THE LOCKER ROOM

Footy gossip from behind closed doors



O'Brien short-listed

WEST Perth defender Darren O'Brien could be on the West Coast Eagles short-list for the coming VFL draft. O'Brien, who has been one of the Falcons most improved players this season, was a guest of the Eagles during the recent Richmond clash at Subiaco Oval. However, Eagles development officer Mick Moylan said that no draft decisions had been made. "It's hard to make decisions when we don't yet know what the rules are," he said. "O'Brien is one of many players we've invited along to games this season. We ask the clubs in turn if they have anyone who would like to be our guests and numerous players have come along. We've even had the Teal Cup side to a match." East Fremantle ruckman Brad Tunbridge — considered by many as a priority choice for West Coast this season — was a guest at an earlier game.



Another Jacko fires

FORMER South Fremantle player Allen Jakovich moved into second place on the SANFL goalkicking list last Saturday by kicking nine out of Woodville's 13 majors against Port Adelaide. Despite the impressive haul, Jakovich — a brother of current South Fremantle player Glen Jakovich — could not prevent his team from losing. He has now kicked 63 goals for the season and trails Central District's full-forward Rudi Mandemaker by 13 — and both are averaging 4.2 goals per game. Gilbert McAdam (Central District), who played three games with Claremont in 1986, is in 11th spot with 34 goals and David Hynes (Port Adelaide), who was drafted by the West Coast Eagles last year but is yet to indicate if he will play for them — has kicked 16 goals to be 22nd on the list.



Good news ... or bad?

DON'T expect a host of WAFL players to be named in the coming VFL draft. That's the good news from the Melbourne talent scouts who have been watching recent WAFL games with eager eyes. But the bad news is that those astute recruiting agents believe that the WAFL standard has fallen at least 10 percent in the last year. East Fremantle rover Brad Rowe is being tipped as the first West Aussie to be named, but only two or three others have attracted VFL interest.



Bryce Forman leads the Sharks into battle

Not so memorable

STRONG East Fremantle defender Bryce Forman could not have enjoyed his 100th game of league football. After former league team-mate David Rankin — making a comeback from retirement in the reserves — shook his hand before the start of last Saturday's clash with West Perth, it was all downhill. Forman warmed the interchange bench for the first half and was then thrown into the fray as the Falcons ran rampant in the third term.

Hardie's new love...

THAT loveable former South Fremantle star Brad Hardie has two new loves in his life ... apart from life on the Gold Coast, that is. The Brownlow Medal winner has just got engaged to a Melbourne girl, Sue Brown (no relation to Malcolm, we hope!) and is about to embark on a new career — as a sports reporter with Brisbane radio station 3GGG. Well done, Brad.



Tough encounter

THE clash between top VFA side Coburg and lowly Port Melbourne must have been some ding-dong affair on Sunday. Coburg won 20.18 to 7.14 and a host of players were reported, including former Perth centreman Brett Yorgey, playing with Port Melbourne. He was charged with striking, while Coburg's Mark Weideman was accused of a similar offence and two other players were reported on abusive language charges.



Elated Madaffari

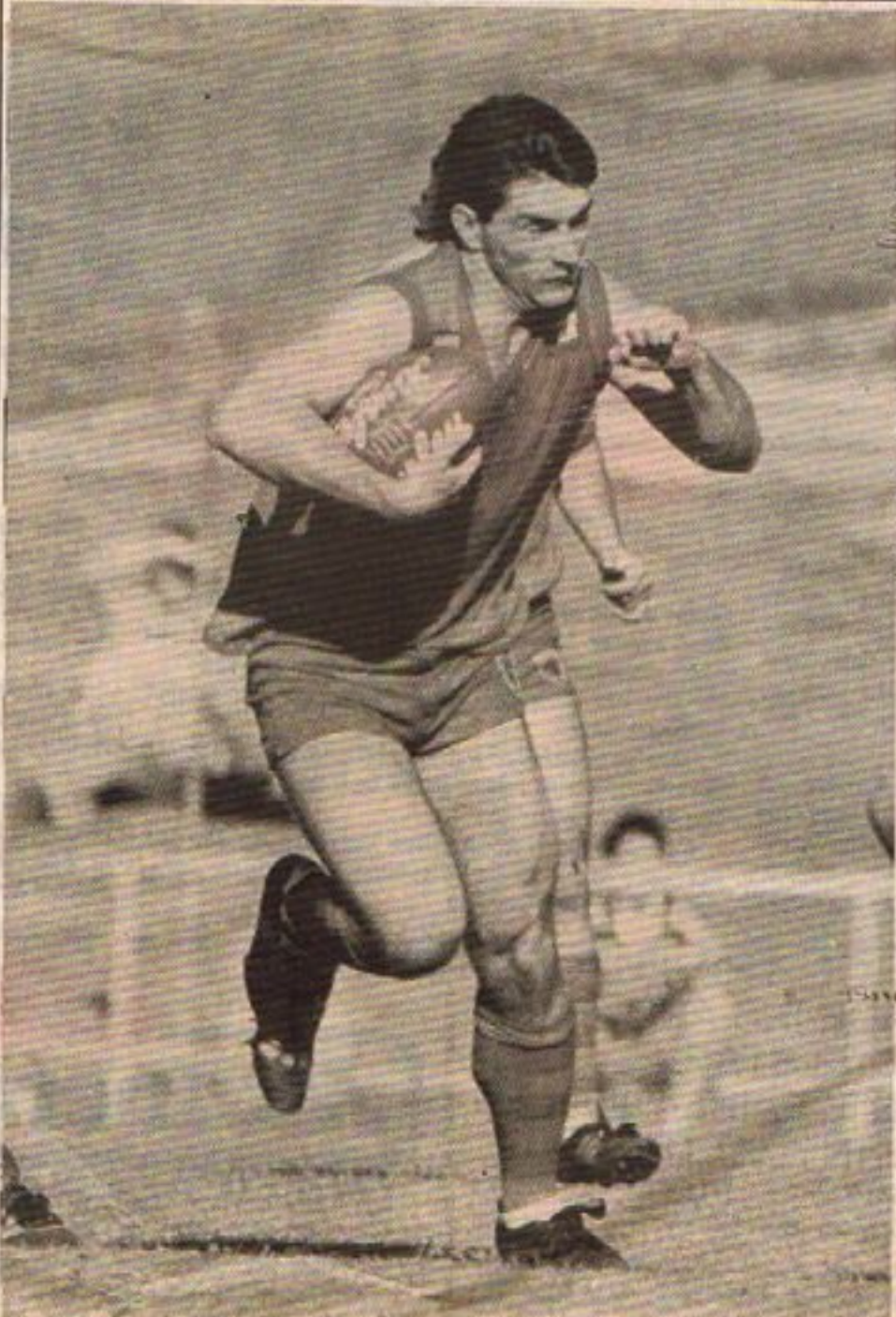
PADDY Madaffari's Italian heritage shone out when he kicked West Perth's opening goal in the final term against East Fremantle last Saturday. He gave the Falcons a seven-goal break over the Sharks — the form team of the competition — and the ruck-rover showed how he felt with a soccer-style salute to the crowd. With his fist clenched and punching the air he ran through the goal and turned in an arc towards the West Perth members stand. Madaffari's passion and the emotion shown by his teammates, who swamped every goalkicker with pats on the back, gave the game a real finals feeling.



Milestones coming up

TWO historic VFL milestones are coming up this week. Essendon's champion ruckman Simon Madden is due to play his 321st game for the Bombers, to break the long-standing club record held by the legendary triple Brownlow Medallist Dick Reynolds. And the same day should see injury-plagued team-mate Gary Foulds notch his 300th game with Essendon. The two men made their debut in the same year, 1974.

PHOTO ACTION



Picture: Julian Cowan

Coming through

West Perth's Paul Hasler has developed into one of the league's most consistent defenders this year...and he's a much-improved player who relishes a challenge. Falcons coach George Michalczyk used the tough half-back to tag Sharks sharp-shooter Neil Lester-Smith out of the game last week...and he did that successfully. Hasler's bustling style has won him many admirers at Leederville and he emerges as a rough draft choice for VFL clubs this summer.

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FINALS THEORIES

THE finals for season '89 are shaping as the most interesting for many years.

There are three teams who appear evenly-matched on paper, at least — Claremont, East Fremantle and South Fremantle.

The current fourth-placed team, Swan Districts, have shown considerable improvement, but are still short on goal-kicking options.

And finals contenders West Perth are making a concerted effort to bridge the gap, but even if they do, they appear a little thin on quality depth, especially to survive in the finals.

Interest can often wane a little when finals time arrives, especially if one team seems to have a mortgage on the flag.

But at the moment everyone has their various opinions on who they think will win the flag and why.

Variables

Everyone likes to play the prophet and select the winners of a premiership. The difficulty comes with the number of variables involved.

The main consideration is form and attitude; a team can become complacent or, alternatively, believe that they are building the team up to have them at a peak on a particular day.

That's a real challenge and can often be learned through bitter experience that it doesn't quite work out so easy.

Some teams play poorly in wet weather and then there's the ever-present threat of injury.

Some teams have lists of 26 or more competent league players, while others are in dire straights if just two or three players are unavailable.

The anticipation of playing in a finals series would be starting to make the adrenalin flow in many a footballer right now.

Some players tend to "choke" in big

Getting a side ready is a tough challenge

ALEXANDER'S ANGLE

By State coach
RON ALEXANDER



games, while others are big-occasion players. This is often because the athlete is thinking about his game from an unrealistic point of view.

Some worry about making a mistake at a crucial time, while others dream about kicking the winning goal from 65-metres out...after the final siren!

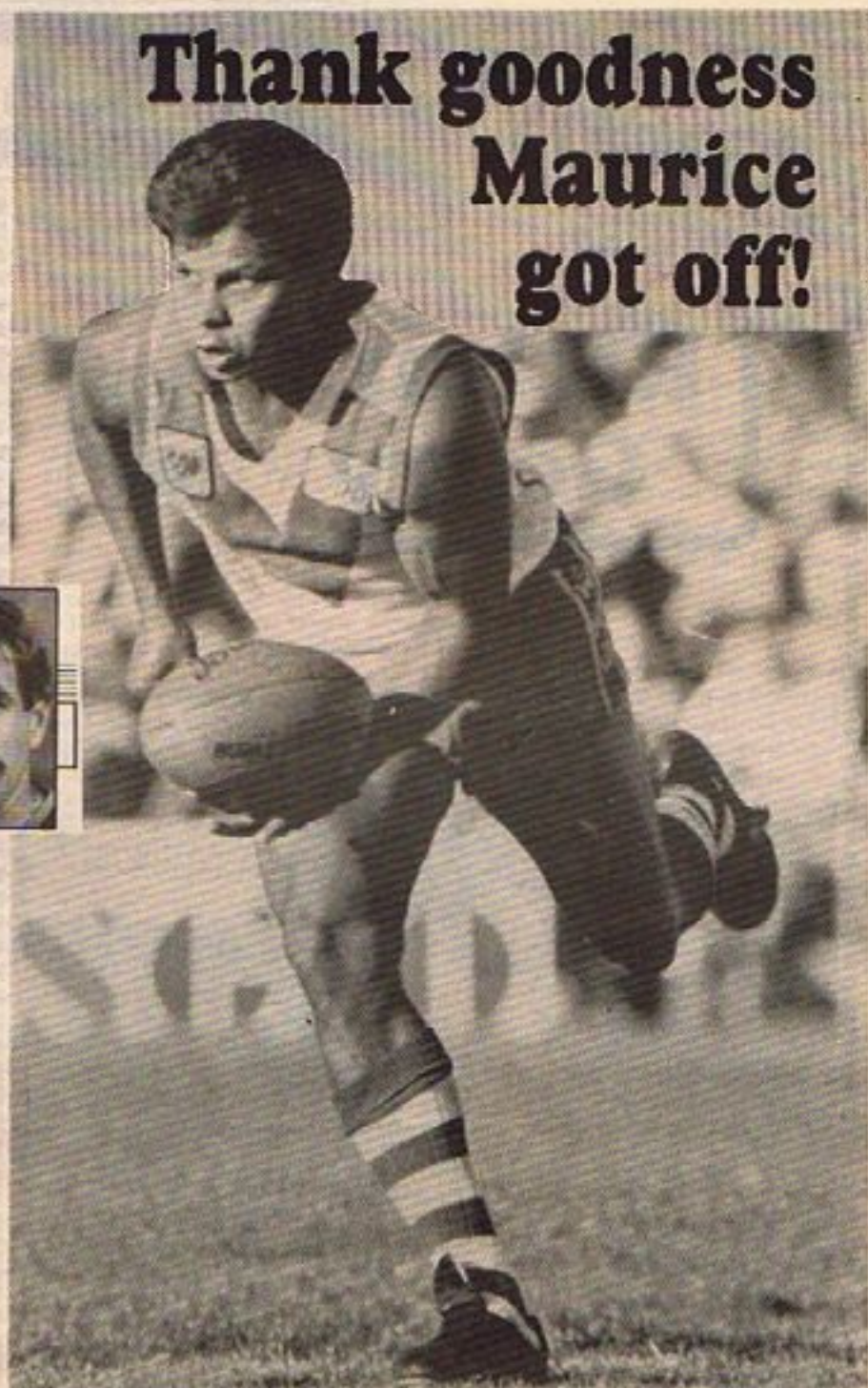
Fantasy

These thoughts are common in one guise or another to most footballers. The problem is that some dwell too long in the fantasy area.

What's required is for the player to consider all the likely happenings in a game and how he would respond.

It's no good giving 70 percent of your thinking and planning to kicking the winning goal, but not organise in your mind the main bulk of the game; how to get to that winning situation, for example.

This area of preparation is of particular interest to me and perhaps we should explore it more fully when the finals start.



Thank goodness Maurice got off!

MOST football followers would have been pleased with the WAFL tribunal's decision to clear South Fremantle champion Maurice Rioli of a striking charge this week.

The incident didn't look too good on the TV replay, but often replays can be misleading.

Rioli was a Golden Gloves boxing champion and he would do some real danger if he wanted to throw a punch or two.

It simply looked just like a warning to the other player, who wasn't hurt at all. Rioli has a great record as a footballer of the very highest calibre and he is held in high regard by all who know him.

At this stage of his long career, he didn't need a tribunal conviction, so it was with a sense of justice done that we heard about the case being dismissed.



Graham Melrose...has a lot of depth at East Fremantle

Lions can roar proudly

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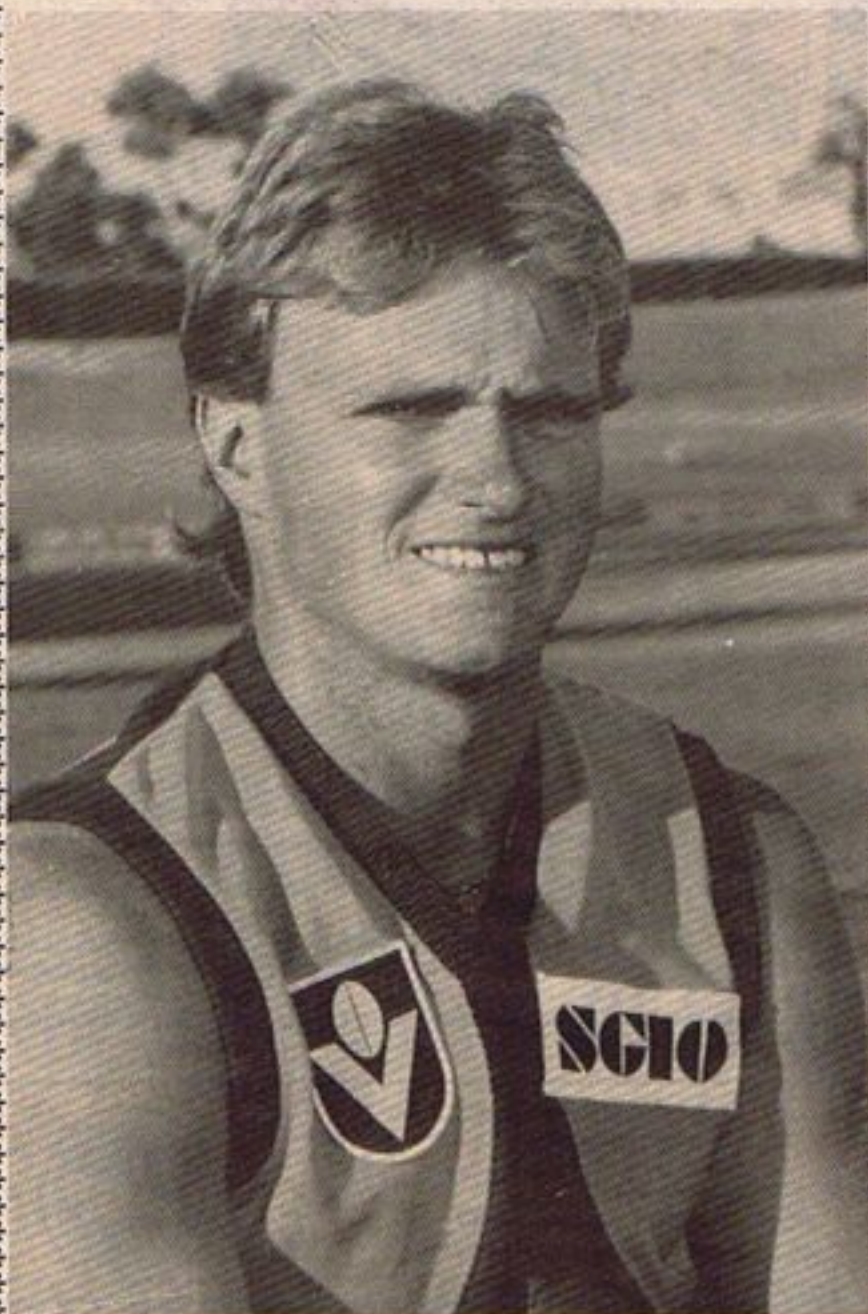
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NICK NAME: Dicky
FAVOURITE POSITION: Half-forward or wing
CURRENT POSITION: Half-forward
NUMBER: 34
DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: 24/9/63 — Melbourne, Vic
RECRUITED FROM: South Fremantle/Footscray
HEIGHT: 183cms **WEIGHT:** 80kgs
FIRST SENIOR GAME: VFL — 1985 Richmond, WAFL — 1988 South Fremantle
GAMES PLAYED: VFL — 2 Eagles, 18 Richmond, WAFL — 33 South Fremantle
FOOTBALL HONOURS: Toured Ireland in 1981 with Victoria schoolboys
MARRIED: Yes, to Kris
CHILDREN: One son — Aaron
OCCUPATION: Physical education teacher
SCHOOL/S ATTENDED: Parade College, Melbourne

CAR: Ford Falcon
FAVOURITE PASTIMES/HOBBIES: Golf, swimming
FAVOURITE FOOD: Spaghetti
FAVOURITE DRINK: Orange juice
FAVOURITE SPORT (OTHER SPORTS): Golf, tennis
FAVOURITE SINGER/GROUP: Dire Straits
FAVOURITE TV SHOW: Fawty Towers
FAVOURITE MOVIE: A Fish Called Wanda
BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: —
MOST ADMIRED FOOTBALLER: Kevin Bartlett
OPPONENTS YOU ADMIRE: Wayne Schimmelbusch
MATCH DAY ROUTINE: Breakfast, music, read
BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Leaving Richmond
FOOTBALL INJURIES: Broken collarbone
BIGGEST THRILL: 1982 under-19s grand final with Fitzroy
MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: As above
FOOTBALL AMBITION: To play as many games as possible and win a premiership

George Giannakis



Nickname: Bomba **Why:** Ask Chris Allen
Date of Birth: 6/1/67 **Place of Birth:** Perth
Height: 174cm **Weight:** 79kg
Age Started Playing: 7
Previous Club/s: Manjimup Imperials **Junior Club:** Manjimup Imperials
Marital Status: Single **Girlfriend's Name:** Sophie
Residence: Noranda
Occupation: Accountant **Place of Work:** Donald S. Munro and Associates
Other Sporting Interests: Golf, tennis
Favourite Position: Ruck-rover **First Position:** centre
League Debut: 1985 **Versus:** Swan Districts

FAVOURITES:
Actor: My team-mate Butch Baroni
Drink: Bourbon and coke
TV Show: Get Smart **Food:** Pasta
Music: Dire Straits and Steve Winward
Holiday Resort: Penang
Ground: Perth Oval
Your Car: Not driving
Favourite Car: Porsche
Career Highlights: 1984 Teal Cup, 1987 East Perth fairest and best and playing with the Subiaco All Stars against South Australia in Canada in 1988
Worst Moment in Football: Not having played in a finals match yet
Hard Things in Football: Sunday morning training
Football Idols: Peter Spencer and Ross Glendinning
Toughest Opponent: Mark Bairstow
Most Respected Opponent: Mark Bairstow **Most Respected Umpire:** David Johnson
Most Memorable Game: When East Perth beat West Perth on their 1986 centenary day
Ambitions: To win a premiership and to play VFL
What do you like about Football: Getting a kick
How do you Mentally Prepare for a Game: I stick to same routine which always starts with a jog
Who Influenced Your Career: Ian Fox, my brother Vic and all previous East Perth coaches whom I have played under
Guernsey Number: 7 **Any Reason:** I originally had No. 33, but I changed to this one because it was my number in juniors
Any Superstitions: None
Worst Injury: Lacerated scalp
Luckiest Break: Coming to East Perth

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Out of my way...tough Falcons defender Wayne Dayman bursts his way through a pack of Sharks

FALCONS BACK IN IT!

FOOTBALL has a habit of producing the unpredictable and now the league's most unpredictable team, West Perth, have thrown new life into the WAFL finals fight.

Perhaps calling the Falcons the most unpredictable team is a little unfair, considering that Subiaco are part of the competition, but they did throw a spanner in the works last Saturday.

Most pundits considered that the top four was all over — Swan Districts were set to play in the first semi-final provided they could beat that enigma of a football team, Subiaco.

Swans did just that last Saturday, but now it might not be enough.

West Perth caused the boil-over of the season in de-

molishing East Fremantle at East Fremantle Oval and now the most important qualifying match for several years will be played at Leederville Oval.

The Falcons will play Swans on Saturday, with the victor almost certainly winning a place in the first semi-final.

It was encouraging last Saturday to see where Craig Nelson, Peter Menaglio, Darren O'Brien and Paul Hasler, the men who have carried the club's burden for most of this season, were finally given solid support by their team-mates.

They will need it again this Saturday, because entry into the first semi-final will not come easily.

Swans have played strongly in the last month, despite losing to Claremont and East Fremantle.

With Don Langford making a return, the Bassendean club will be close to full strength.

It promises to be an intriguing battle and should set up a thrilling climax to the qualifying rounds a week later.

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PREVIEWS

by Gary Stocks

Sharks face tough task to rebound

IF Subiaco had played all their qualifying round football against top-four teams East Fremantle and Claremont, they would probably be playing in the finals.

Twice in three attempts they beat Claremont and they have shared the honours with East Fremantle in two matches.

On Saturday the Lions play East Fremantle for the third time in a match of little significance for Subiaco, but one which is of great importance to the Sharks.

East Fremantle looked on course for a premiership as they built up towards their best form in this series of seven matches.

But their world came crashing down around them when they were shock losers against West Perth last Saturday.

That defeat means East Fremantle face an uphill battle to secure one of the top two positions. However, they must re-group and resume the form which makes them one of the premiership favourites.

WA's TOP GOALKICKERS

- 70.41 Neil Lester-Smith (East Frem)
- 47.46 Andy Holmes (Swan Districts)
- 42.40 Brendon Barrows (Claremont)
- 41.22 Glen Bartlett (East Perth)
- 41.19 Wayne Ryder (Perth)
- 37.22 Richard Geary (South Frem)
- 40.27 Paddy Madaffari (West Perth)
- 40.25 Dale Kickett (Claremont)
- 32.31 Brad McDougall (Subiaco)
- 32.23 Glen Jakovich (South Frem)

Bulldogs in mean mood

SOUTH Fremantle, desperate to retain their rating as second semi-finalists, will be in an aggressive mood against East Perth this Saturday. At Fremantle Oval, the Bulldogs are always tough to beat.

When they have a date in the finals — and their opposition does not — life becomes even tougher for the visiting team.

The Bulldogs know that victories over both East Perth and Swan Districts in the last two qualifying matches of the season will give them a second semi-final rematch with Claremont.

South will not allow the first hurdle in the contract to upset their balance.

Tigers can't afford to relax

FOR a reason beyond explanation, some clubs play better against certain teams than they do against others, irrespective of their positions on the premiership table.

Perth, who have won 10 fewer games than league leaders Claremont, always play well against the Tigers.

Despite a large gap between the two teams on the ladder, the Tigers have struggled to beat Perth in their previous two encounters this season.

In round six, the Tigers clambered to a 15-point victory and in round 13 they were winners by 29 points ... but it was hard work.

With just two matches remaining before their second semi-final appearance, Claremont will be in a mean mood this week.

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* Tally does not include VFL tips	Tally	Claremont v Perth	Subiaco v E. Frem.	S. Frem. v E. Perth	W. Perth. Swan Dist.	Eagles v Geelong
RON ALEXANDER	52	Claremont	East Fremantle	South Fremantle	West Perth	Eagles
ROB BENNETT	49	Claremont	East Fremantle	South Fremantle	West Perth	Eagles
PETER BOSUSTOW	53	Claremont	East Fremantle	South Fremantle	West Perth	Geelong
DAVE CLEMENT	53	Claremont	East Fremantle	South Fremantle	West Perth	Eagles
GRANT DORRINGTON	52	Claremont	East Fremantle	South Fremantle	West Perth	Eagles
ALAN EAST	48	Claremont	East Fremantle	South Fremantle	West Perth	Geelong
IAN MILLER	51	Claremont	East Fremantle	South Fremantle	West Perth	Geelong
BILL MATHER-BROWN	49	Claremont	East Fremantle	South Fremantle	Swan Districts	Eagles
GARY STOCKS	58	Claremont	East Fremantle	South Fremantle	West Perth	Geelong
GEORGE TEMPLE	57	Claremont	East Fremantle	South Fremantle	West Perth	Eagles
MOST FAVOURED	56	Claremont	East Fremantle	South Fremantle	West Perth	Eagles

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THE COVERAGE

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6WF — Friday 6.30pm: Eagles vs Geelong. Saturday noon: Essendon vs North Melbourne. 2.20pm: West Perth vs Swan Districts.

6NR — Friday 6pm: Eagles vs Geelong. Saturday 2.20pm West Perth vs Swan Districts.

REGIONAL RADIO WEST — Saturday 2.20pm: Subiaco vs East Fremantle.

TELEVISION

CHANNEL 2: Saturday 2.15pm: (regionals only) West Perth vs Swan Districts. 4.20pm: Live telecast to metropolitan area.

CHANNEL 7: Friday 8.30pm: Eagles vs Geelong. Saturday 5pm: Match of the day highlights. Sunday Noon: Brisbane Bears vs Hawthorn.

WHO PLAYS WHERE

WAFL — SATURDAY, AUGUST 19 (ROUND 20)

Claremont v Perth, at Claremont Oval; Subiaco v East Fremantle, at Subiaco Oval; South Fremantle v East Perth, at Fremantle Oval; West Perth v Swan Districts, at Leederville Oval.

VFL — FRIDAY, AUGUST 18 (ROUND 20)

West Coast v Geelong, at WACA.

Flashback...

The last time these two teams met was on July 1 in Round 13 with the following results (with home teams mentioned first):

East Perth 11.11, South Fremantle 19.16 — South Fremantle by 53 points.

Perth 12.8, Claremont 16.13 — Claremont by 29 points.

East Fremantle 15.12, Subiaco 14.14 — East Fremantle by four points.

Swan Districts 18.12, West Perth 15.11 — Swans by 19 points.

1989 FORM GUIDE

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

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UMPIRES across Australia are sitting on a time bomb with the 50-metre rule that has created so much controversy this season.

With the finals looming in all states, spare a thought for the men in white who have that 50-metre penalty hanging over their head as the weapon that can ruin a team's ultimate dream of winning a premiership.

Now, I've made no secret in this column, almost weekly, that umpires are a major problem in our great game. They are necessary, but still a problem.

Controversy surrounding the 50-metre rule has probably shoved some of the other anomalies of our game into obscurity.

But some alarming inconsistencies have crept into the game at VFL, WAFL and Sunday League levels.

The National Football League must move to unify umpiring throughout the nation when this season is over.

Some leagues play the 50-metre penalty, others do not. Some leagues play any head-high tackle as a free kick against the tackler, whereas in the VFL, if a player is adjudged as having ducked into a tackle, he is penalised for holding the ball.

The NFL must move to have all these rules clarified and adopted at all levels.

More importantly, VFL umpires adviser Bill Dellar must take a good look at some of the inconsistencies that have raised their heads in recent VFL matches.

The concern appears to be that there is an inconsistency between the two umpires and at times, even the same umpire not making the same decision twice in a row.

The Eagles clash with Fitzroy, Carlton's game against Richmond on Friday night and the Claremont-South Fremantle game in Perth were all marred with inconsistent interpretations of the holding the ball-holding the man rule and head-high tackling.

The 1989 finals series in Melbourne, Perth and the Sunday Football League promise to be the most exciting for some time.

The umpires have their part to play, but consistency must be a priority for them.

Wiley's decision

ROB Wiley's decision to quit as coach of Perth is a major blow to the Demons and to WA football.

It seems as though Wiley was perhaps willing to offer the club one more year, but the decision-makers at Lathlain wanted a three-year commitment — something the former star rover couldn't give.



THE BUZZ

By football's Mr Flamboyant
PETER BOSUSTOW

Wiley should have been offered that extra year, particularly with the support structure that he has, which includes his leading replacement candidate, Tom Mullooly.

Perhaps the Perth hierarchy forced the issue somewhat by insisting that their next coach takes on a three-year plan for the development of the youngsters at Lathlain.

Or just maybe, they realised that a failure to appoint Mullooly as senior coach now, would see him lost forever at the end of 1989.

Cats on prowl

AT least twice this year I have expressed concern at the diminishing number of class forwards in top football sides.

Well, the wait is over. Geelong, with the most potent forward line in VFL football, will be on full display at the WACA Ground this Friday night.

Gary Ablett, Bruce Brownless and Gavin Exell are all class forwards. The list of potential match winners up forward for the Cats is awesome.

WA footy fans appetites must have been whetted when Fitzroy's Richard Osborne turned on all his awesome match-winning and freakish skills in the last quarter of last Saturday's match at Princes Park.

But the chance to see such quality goal-kicking power on display, live in Perth, comes but once a year ... if that often.

Don't miss the show. There will be no encore in Perth. All the real Geelong action takes place in Melbourne during the months of September when the Cats, along with Essendon play their part in trying to dismantle Hawthorn's premiership claims.



FLASHES OF BRILLIANCE

DASHING West Coast Eagle John Worsfold showed more than his football ability at Princes Park last Saturday. Not only was the 21-year-old Worsfold one of the Eagles best players, but thanks to Fitzroy's Matthew Armstrong, he gave the fans a glimpse of something that's usually kept under wraps — his bottom — as this Sunday Press picture clearly shows.

UMP'S ERROR

THE job of being a goal umpire is not always an easy one ... as one of the flag-wavers at East Fremantle Oval last week knows. He signalled a point against Paddy Madaffari's name when the Falcons ruck-rover back-heeled the ball in a goalsquare scrimmage ... which appeared to go over the goal line. As the Falcons started to celebrate his quick thinking, they were stopped in their tracks as one flag came up. Bad luck Paddy, just about everyone else thought it was a goal, except the one person who mattered — the goal umpire.

SHARKS PROBLEMS

EAST Fremantle had two problems against West Perth last Saturday — they were too top heavy and appeared colour-blind. The Sharks lacked the mobility to cope with the Falcons faster running players, who literally ran East off their feet. And when the Sharks did get possession, too often they kicked the ball to opposition players. Glad I wasn't in the East Fremantle dressing room afterwards when coach Graham Melrose explained the difference between blue and white and blue and red ... there would have been some matching faces!

KICK TO KICK

SUBIACO utility Garry Kemp made a fibber out of himself against Swan Districts last Saturday. Kemp was quoted in the Football Budget as saying that he doesn't deliberately kick to his brother Dean — or vice-versa — on the football field. But that wasn't the case in the second quarter at Bassendean Oval. Garry had won the ball and was in a position to score for himself, but instead passed 10 metres to Dean, who marked and scored an important goal for the Lions. Garry said in the Budget that because they're brothers it just looks as though they pass to one another. That certainly didn't look to be the case in this instance.

COX CONFUSED

WHILE we're talking about Eagles officialdom, football man Russell Cox must be a little confused. He knows full well that his job virtually became redundant on the appointment of Trevor Nisbett (even though the title hasn't been confirmed) so he was out of employment. Then when the Daily News ran a story saying that Cox had been "sacked," the Eagles said that wasn't so. He just didn't have his job any more? But now there's a rumour that Cox will stay on in another role...and someone else is going!

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FIRM CONTROL

ROOKIE umpire Sam Kronja showed plenty of firm control when he confronted Perth runner Wim Rosbender on Saturday. The Demons man had wanted to challenge a 50-metre decision by Kronja, but the whistle-blower wasn't having any of it. He simply didn't want to know — and quite rightly; his job is to umpire, not argue. Rosbender quickly scarpered for his dug-out when Kronja moved to whip out his little black book!

WISE WORDS

FOOTBALL doyen Geoffrey Christian, late of The West Australian fame, is a worldly-wise man when it comes to words ... and he uses them well in his current media role as a panellist on 6WF's Saturday morning sportshow. Talking about football's future last week, Christian reminded officialdom of the old adage "Act in haste, repent in leisure." Surely that phrase has already been lost on some decision-makers!

KERR CONFUSION

HAS Bill Kerr resigned as chief executive of the West Coast Eagles? Or did he only say that he would resign eventually? Or did he say anything at all? Those questions certainly befuddled everyone last week, with newspaper reports saying he would step down; official WCE press releases saying he hadn't and other various people saying he would, he has, he might, he won't, he doesn't know. The fact is, Bill Kerr will not remain as chief executive of the Eagles for much longer; he will become the VFL's interstate Commissioner; he won't be on the new WA Football Commission and he has entered into a business consultancy firm with Indian Pacific Ltd chairman Neil Hamilton.

STUPID RULE

WHILE we're on that Wim Rosbender-Sam Kronja incident, the reason for the confrontation was yet another ridiculous rule that our "intelligent superiors" have introduced this year. The implementation of the 50-metre penalty is a farce...and it's not always the fault of the umps. The case Perth wanted to challenge involved an East Perth player throwing the ball back to the umpire when a free kick had been awarded — instead of directly back to the player. Kronja penalised Perth for the misdemeanour, giving the Royals their fourth goal from the boot of Glen Crotty. But a week earlier the same situation arose...and no penalty was incurred. Let's get rid of the 50-metre penalty anyway; it's a joke!

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'Pies fear sauce from the Eagles

Leading football journalist and 6NR commentator **KEN PIESSE** reports from Melbourne.



ON THE EAST COAST

THE dismissal of Collingwood from the five may be temporary if the Magpies manage to beat fifth-placed Fitzroy on Saturday ... but the Magpies are no certainties to meet Melbourne in the elimination final.

Australia's best-supported football team are scheduled to play the West Coast Eagles at Victoria Park in round 22 and judging on their recent record — four losses in five matches — they could suffer further anguish.

The Eagles were gallant in defeat last weekend and if late shots by Stevan Jackson and Troy Ugle had gone through, the result could have been very different.

The West Coasters almost matched Fitzroy's scoring shots, but did not have the same presence up forward where Peter Sumich was blanketed by Gary Pert and Jackson was beaten by former WAFL player Brett Stephens.

The soggy Princes Park conditions did not suit the Eagles and they are sure to be far more comfortable at Collingwood's Victoria Park, which has not seen much use in recent weeks and is in near-perfect condition.

The Eagles have the advantage of playing their next two matches in Perth and could well extend their record to five wins in six weeks coming into round 22.

If the Eagles do knock Collingwood out of the finals, the chances of coach John Todd retaining his position will be greatly enhanced.



IT'S great to see footballers fight back from the brink of obscurity and prove their worth at the top level. Such is the case with both these players — Don Holmes (left) and Dean Laidley. Holmes was certainly on the outer as far as the Eagles were concerned, but two strong games in recent weeks indicate that he can still be a handy contributor, while Laidley has had to battle all sorts of injuries and really deserves a trouble-free run to consolidate himself in the VFL.

It's the only way to go

THE likelihood of the Eagles fielding a reserves team in the VFL competition next year can only benefit the club's playing depth from 1990.

It's an expensive pastime with Eastern States travel costing upwards of \$15,000 each trip for a football team and support staff.

However, if the Eagles are to be fair dinkum about climbing the league ladder, there is no other option.

Kennedy's not done with yet

THE coaching future of the game's elder statesman, John Kennedy, could be clearer after North Melbourne's fighting two-point win against Collingwood last Sunday.

North's inner sanctum felt Kennedy could abdicate his responsibilities unless the side improved dramatically in the last month.

He's been North Melbourne's coach since 1985 and, despite a lack of consistent key forwards, has invariably lifted his side into the top half of the competition.

Poor recent performances, including a loss to lowly Brisbane, fuelled talk that Kennedy's message was becoming stale and that he would step down for Roo legend Wayne Schimmelbush.

Eventually he will, but it may not be until 1991 if North finish this season strongly.

Guy's eyes on double

GUY McKenna is the only Eagle to have played all 19 games so far this season ... and he's not about to quit now, despite thigh and groin problems which have clearly reduced his effectiveness.

McKenna heads the 6NR Eagle of the Year voting and is also favoured to win his club's best and fairest award — quite a double for this modest young man in his second season with the Eagles.

Last week at Fitzroy, he played with his thighs heavily bandaged and lacked his usual zip, though he was still worth his place for his coolness and courage.

Scott grabs his chance

PHIL Scott is one Eagle who will be sad to see the season end so soon.

Injuries have reduced Scott's appearances to just 12 this year but he has been a dominant player in his comeback games recently and obviously relishes his return to VFL football.

His absence was a big blow to the Eagles, especially with fellow follower Laurie Keene also sidelined.

Scott had 22 hit-outs at the weekend and also marked strongly.

If Keene remains a bystander, Scott is more than capable of retaining the No. 1 rucking role against heavier and taller opponents.

Holmes wants to prove a point

DON Holmes made his 1989 Melbourne debut at the weekend and was a star, obviously having a point to prove with the Eagles due to rationalise their senior list in the next few months.

Holmes may not be in the Eagles' top 30 for 1990 at this stage but good performances in the last three weeks will make it tougher for the Eagles hierarchy to sack him.

Todd gives the Lions a plug

EAGLES coach John Todd had mixed feelings after losing to Fitzroy last Saturday.

Disappointed that the West Coasters had gone down on a boggy Princes Park ground, he was pleased to see the Fitzroy Lions jump into the top five.

"It's good to see one of the underdogs get into the five," Todd said after the 32-point loss that helped displace Collingwood from fifth spot.

"They're certainly in with a chance, depending on how their senior players hold up."

Todd's major disappointment with the Eagles was the fact that they only had two scoring shots less than Fitzroy.

Injury woes continue

THE injury list at the Eagles still grows ... but there is some good news.

Don Pyke and Todd Breman both came out of last week's WAFL games (with Claremont and Subiaco respectively) with knee problems and await x-rays to determine the damage.

John Annear is out for the rest of the year with broken bones in his right hand, while Guy McKenna and David Hart have recurring groin strains and Dean Laidley's right knee is the victim of tendonitis.

Adrian Barich's dislocated finger has improved and he should be available, while Clinton Browning faces a fitness test.

Steve Malaxos is fully fit again after an amazing effort with the Claremont reserves last week — collecting 20 kicks and 20 handballs.

HOUGHTON WINES

PRESENT ...

IN THE EAGLES NEST

with Alan East



Star Eagle Chris Mainwaring with Hungry Jack's Eagle-for-a-Day, Mark Malone, 12, of Tuart Hill. Mark was a guest for the Richmond clash at Subiaco after entering the popular competition at his local Hungry Jack's store.

Scott's big influence

THE reliance of big man Phil Scott in the Eagles ruck department is confirmed by this year's stats.

Scott has won 188 hit-outs in his 12 games — a healthy average of just over 15 a game.

Stand-in knock ruckman David O'Connell has done well with 128 from his 15 games (eight a game) and then the list tapers off to Stevan Jackson (51 at an average of four), Peter Higgins (42 for an average of 10.5) and injured Laurie Keene, whose two games resulted in 28 hit-outs.



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Dunstall shows his worth

JASON Dunstall has kicked almost exactly the same percentage of Hawthorn's goals so far this season as he did in the qualifying rounds in 1988.

Dunstall's 105 goals to Round 19 are 31.3% of Hawthorn's total of 335 goals. Last year, Dunstall kicked 124 goals in the qualifying rounds — 31.4% of the goals kicked by Hawthorn in the 21 games he played.

Dunstall is now one goal behind his tally at the same stage of 1988.

A comparison to the percentage of St Kilda's goals kicked by Tony Lockett is further confirmation of the Saints reliance on the big forward.

In Lockett's seven full games in 1988, he kicked 40.7% of St Kilda's goals. He has played 11 games so far this season, kicking 48.3% of the Saints goals.

Over the past two seasons, St Kilda have averaged nearly 14 goals per game with Lockett in the side — and under 11 goals per game without him.

THE West Coast Eagles played in front of their lowest Victorian crowd on Saturday and their second-lowest crowd ever.

The attendance of 6920 was the lowest at an Eagles match since only 4857 attended the Eagles-Brisbane Bears match at Carrara in Round 20 of 1987.

ESSENDON'S comfortable win over the Brisbane Bears stretched the Bombers winning sequence to seven, their best for 3½ seasons.

Essendon won 11 games in a row, from Round 18 of 1985 to Round 4 of 1986, including the 1985 grand final. They had earlier won nine games on end during the 1985 season.

HAWTHORN'S win against Melbourne completed their fourth sequence of at least eight consecutive wins in their past 36 games.

If the Hawks can beat Brisbane, Footscray and St Kilda in the final three home-and-away games, a win in the second semi-final would allow them to equal their best winning sequence of 12 wins — set in 1961, their first premiership year.

MAGPIE CHEERS

FOLLOWERS of Australia's most traditional football club, Collingwood, can toast their beloved Magpies in port from now on. Angove's Wines have released a special Magpies tawny port carrying 1988 Copeland Trophy winner Peter Daicos' signature on the label. The port will be an annual edition featuring the club's fairest and best winner each year. The first bottle is available at just \$6.99 through Liquorland outlets.

Eagles defenders face a tough night



Eagles dangemen...Karl Langdon (left) and David Hart

THE West Coast Eagles defence had a tough task to match some exceptional attacking skills in last week's excursion to Princes Park.

This Friday night, those problems will magnify.

Last Saturday, the Eagles struck a 50-50 success rate. They shut out Alistair Lynch, but could not contain Richard Osborne.

If they do not improve on that success ratio, they will be in for an embarrassing evening against the most lethal attacking unit in VFL football.

Containing one, two or even three of the Geelong forwards is simply not enough.

Mercurial

The obvious danger is the mercurial Gary Ablett. But others the Eagles must contend with include Barry Stoneham, a member of Victoria's winning team in Perth earlier this year, Bruce Lindner and possibly Gavin Exell or Bill Brownless.

Finding defenders with the qualities to nullify players of that immense talent has eluded most of the other teams in the VFL and now it is the Eagles turn.

Because Geelong are so threatening up forward, they should win this contest and maintain their plans of finishing in the top three on the table by the end of the qualifying matches.

The task of those players in attack is made easier by the presence of some fine midfield players.

Former South Fremantle captain and 1986 Sandover Medallist Mark Bairstow heads the list.

Then there is centreman Paul Couch, who is on top of most of the Victorian media awards, tough State player Andrew Bews, classy rover Robert Scott and clever ball winner Darren Troy.

These Cats can bite!

Though this match is played on the WACA Ground, the Eagles face an enormous task in achieving victory.

It would be marvellous for the Eagles to beat the Cats, but the chances do appear slim despite their good form of the last month.

Even in losing to Fitzroy on the bog heap at Princes Park last Saturday the Eagles showed tremendous grit and obviously the players are aware that maximum concentration and effort will be required this week.

Football is a strange game where some players respond to an opportunity and others do not.

Just when most people considered Don Holmes might be an automatic retirement at the end of this season he has played strongly in his two matches with the Eagles in the last fortnight and he will again be expected to lead the way.

Support must come from Chris Mainwaring, Guy McKenna, Andrew Macnish, Dean Laidley and David Hart, in the midfield and defensive areas.

And then it will be up to Peter Sumich to apply his attacking skills and put some pressure of his own on the Cat's defence.

HOW THE EAGLES HAVE PERFORMED

	1989	1989	1989	1989
	Kicks	Marks	H/balls	Score
John Anner	170	49	57	6.4
Adrian Berich	90	20	46	1.4
Todd Brennan	133	46	45	10.14
Michael Brennan	139	46	46	2.4
Clinton Browning	25	12	6	5.1
Shane Cable	4	2	3	0.0
Joe Cormack	8	2	2	0.1
Shane Ellis	79	26	32	8.4
Richard Geary	1	1	2	0.0
David Hart	212	54	72	9.18
Peter Higgins	13	8	3	0.0
Don Holmes	25	5	10	2.0
Brett Holton	33	19	8	0.1
Stevan Jackson	101	46	51	28.16
Laurie Keene	15	8	4	1.0
Dean Laidley	103	32	50	0.3
Deayne Lamb	202	63	111	8.6
Karl Langdon	97	38	35	12.5
Chris Lewis	197	63	73	14.10
Andrew Lackyer	115	50	45	4.7
Andrew Macnish	42	20	28	7.5
Chris Mainwaring	271	78	116	2.16
Stephen Maloney	131	47	71	3.7
Guy McKenna	180	108	178	1.1
Peter Molesso	5	4	0	1.1
Gooff Miles	160	63	59	6.3
David O'Connell	129	82	41	2.8
Paul Pees	47	25	19	1.7
Don Pyke	194	52	67	14.15
Murray Rance	112	61	78	1.3
Phil Scott	118	48	38	13.3
Peter Sumich	158	71	18	34.20
Craig Tarley	96	29	33	2.2
Dean Turner	180	51	58	7.14
Troy Ugle	30	8	30	3.2
Chris Waltersman	110	42	38	10.3
Scott Walters	35	7	20	3.0
John Worfold	213	85	96	5.4

VFL PREVIEW

by GARY STOCKS
of The West Australian



How WA players performed in VFL

	KICKS	MARKS	H/BALLS	SCORE
HAWTHORN				
Gary Buckenara	7	3	6	—
MELBOURNE				
Darren Bennett	6	5	2	1.2
NORTH MELBOURNE				
Mark Hepburn	4	4	7	—
ST KILDA				
Nicky Winmar	13	8	2	3.3
Ian Dargie	10	8	2	1.0
Paul Harding	8	5	8	—
BRISBANE BEARS				
David Bain	20	5	2	—
John Gastev	16	5	5	—
Brad Hardie	7	5	3	0.2
Alex Ishchenko	8	2	3	0.1
Rod Lester-Smith	7	3	2	0.1
Mike Richardson	17	4	6	—
Mark Zanotti	14	4	3	—
CARLTON				
Jon Dorotich	7	4	2	1.3
Steve DaRul	12	2	15	—
COLLINGWOOD				
Michael Christian	11	8	7	0.1
Craig Starcevic	9	4	3	1.1
Murray Wrensted	13	1	9	—
ESSENDON				
Bill Duckworth	11	2	5	—
Darren Bewick	11	3	7	1.1
FITZROY				
Brett Stephens	9	5	10	—
Wally Matera	6	—	2	—
GEELONG				
Mark Bairstow	18	3	10	3.4

VFL leading goalkickers

Jason Dunstall, Hawthorn	105.58
Tony Lockett, St. Kilda	78.24
Richard Osborne, Fitzroy	67.40
Gavin Exell, Geelong	54.24
Stephen Kernahan, Carlton	47.36
Gary Ablett, Geelong	46.30
Brian Taylor, Collingwood	44.26
Brad Hardie, Brisbane Bears	39.40
Scott Robert, Geelong	38.21
Bill Brownless, Geelong	36.26
Paul Salmon, Essendon	35.14
Peter Sumich, Eagles	34.20
Jeff Hogg, Richmond	33.02
Paul Roos, Fitzroy	30.14
Darren Bennett, Melbourne	28.26
Simon Madden, Essendon	28.11
Dermott Brereton, Hawthorn	27.18
Barry Stoneham, Geelong	27.09
Stevan Jackson, West Coast Eagles	26.16
Colin Alexander, Collingwood	26.16

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FOOTBALL FACTS

By top WA football historian
DAVE CLEMENT



WILL West Perth get the 'wobblers' when they play Swans this weekend?

They have been in this situation a few times before and failed in a crunch game.

In round 20 in 1987 they slipped out of the four in a showdown with East Fremantle.

In round 21 in 1986 a win over Subiaco would have got them into fourth place and they blew it.

In 1978, in round 21, they surrendered second place to East Perth and in 1964 they lost their place in the finals to Claremont in round 21.

Go back to the last qualifying game of 1959, which resulted in an eight-point loss to East Fremantle when a win might have gained them a place in the four.

I say might, because Swan Districts had to beat Subiaco to allow the Falcons to qualify. West Perth offered Swans an incentive to win that one — one hundred pounds and a barrel of beer.

PACKED HOUSES

TALKING of those important games, they certainly were crowd-pullers.

The 1978 game between West Perth and East Perth drew 24,567, the 1964 West Perth versus Claremont game attracted 21,446 spectators at Leederville and the one at East Fremantle in 1959 pulled in a ground record, too.

Some footy mysteries

THANKS for the memories, Robert Wiley.

I've enjoyed watching skilful footballers for more than 40 years and have seen hundreds of them, including Wiley.

An eight times fairest and best win-

ner at Perth who couldn't win a Sandover Medal makes one wonder but then Mel Whinnen won nine awards at West Perth and didn't attract umpires' votes either.

Writing was on the wall

WAS there an omen in the reserves game at East Fremantle Oval last week?

The Sharks romped in 33.12 to 10.15. Two years ago their reserves thumped the Falcons 39.12 to 14.3 (Darren Bennett 22 goals).

On both days the league match ended in a surprise victory for West Perth.

BIG SCORING

WHILE on the subject of high scoring, in a reserves game in 1987 Hawthorn kicked 45.20 (290) to Sydney Swans 6.12, the highest score of any grade in the VFL.

The highest reserves score here? Try this one — back in 1936, when the reserves were known as B-grade, North East Fremantle 53.20 (338) beat Swan Districts 6.4.

Call of the whistle

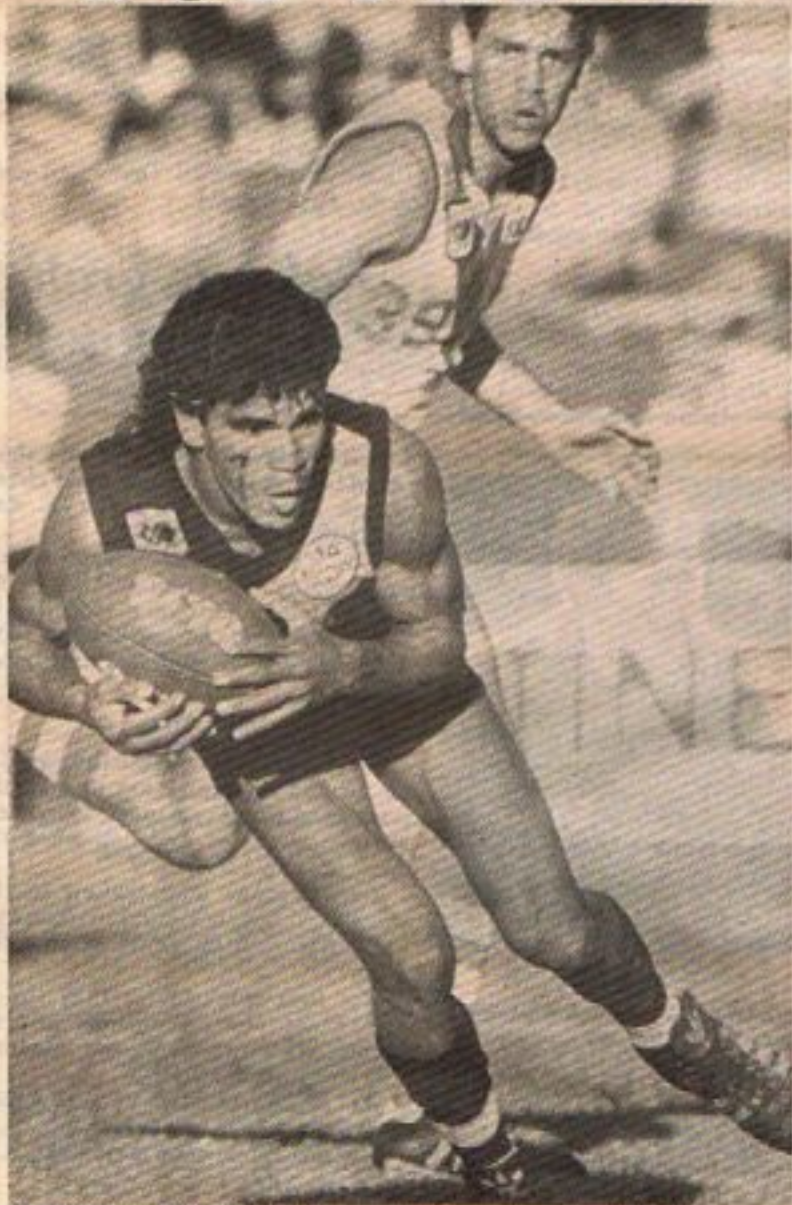
HOW often do we see a former league player turn his hand to umpiring at league level?

The latest is Ron Bayens, who played for Subiaco and then South Fremantle.

In the past ten years there have been three others — Ron McBride, who played for the Falcons, Kevin Castensen (South Fremantle) and Peter Troode (South Fremantle).

In the sixties there were Lindsay Johnston (Swan Districts), Ray Scott (West Perth) and Freddie Woods (East Perth).

"TOP MARK"



Claremont's Dale Kickett takes a diving mark against South Fremantle on Saturday — one of the many fine aerial captures he made.

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THIS week's quartet of 1989 Emu Export-SGIO WAFL All-Stars come from different clubs — West Perth, Swan Districts, East Fremantle and Claremont.

Falcons skipper Peter Menaglio, Swans back-pocket specialist Mick Grasso, Sharks goalsneak Neil Lester-Smith and Tigers rookie centre-half-forward Peter Mann join the 12 players already chosen for the team.

Supported by major football sponsors, the SGIO, Emu Export and Houghton Wines and jointly sponsored by Westside Football and the Football Budget, the All Stars team acknowledges the best players in the WAFL for the 1989 season.

Next week the final four names and a coach will be announced and a special presentation will follow at the end of the season when all 21 members will receive an All-Stars jumper, suitably embroidered.

When the final 20 players have been named, our readers are invited to place the players in the same positions as the team lined up by the Westside Football critics-cum-selectors.

Four lucky winners will be treated as VIP's at the WAFL grand final on Saturday, September 23.

The previous squad members are: Willie Dick (Perth), Mark Hann, Ben Allan and Peter Thorne (Claremont), Ned Fimmano, Peter Matera, Willie Rioli and Craig Edwards (South Fremantle), Stephen Edgar, John O'Sullivan, Brad Rowe (East Fremantle) and Subiaco's Brad McDougall.



Peter Menaglio ... great leader.



Mick Grasso ... top defender.

PETER MENAGLIO (West Perth): A skilful and dynamic centreman who has been the Falcons chief on-field play-maker for most of the 1980s. He has represented the WAFL four times at State level and came out of a short retirement to captain the club this season. With his natural skills and quick thinking, the 31-year-old veteran is one of the game's most valuable players.

MICK GRASSO (Swan Districts): Swans 1988 fairest and best winner, he has been an automatic choice in a back-pocket for the past three seasons. A good reader of the game, he makes light work of opposition attacks by being in position long before the ball arrives. He loves to run the ball out of defence and has the speed to do so.

NEIL LESTER-SMITH (East Fremantle): At his dangerous best in a forward pocket or on a half-forward-flank and is in command at the top of the WAFL goalkickers list with 70 majors this season. Shows intelligence to be at the drop of the ball; is a one-grab player and can snap goals when there appears to be no chance of scoring.

PETER MANN (Claremont): The role of a centre-half-forward is a tough challenge ... especially for a rookie. But the young Tiger has taken the WAFL by storm this season with some powerful performances in the key forward position. He has great mobility for a big man and can also take a turn in the ruck if needed.



Neil Lester-Smith ... goalkicker.



Peter Mann ... mobile big man.

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Gwilliam impresses



Brad Gwilliam... class defender

WEST Perth vice-captain Brad Gwilliam might only be in his third season of league football, but he impresses as a defender of class.

Gwilliam was the cornerstone of a solid Falcons defensive unit last week against East Fremantle.

He might be lightly-framed, but is a real goer and is always prepared to attack the ball and run it out of defence.

Yet rarely does he get caught out of position as he's prepared to rush back to his custodian's goalsquare.

One of the classic features of a good full-back is his ability to punch the ball away at all times and when Gwilliam is caught behind his opponent, he uses that spoiling tactic most effectively.

He has good disposal, though he favours his natural left side and he is well-supported by three other left-footers in defence in Paul Hasler, Darren O'Brien and Paul Mifka.

WHAT a tremendous effort East Fremantle's Neil Lester-Smith has put in this season.

The sharp-shooting Sharks forward leads the WAFL goalkicking ladder with 70 goals (and only 41 points) in what must rate as his most consistent year in league football.

He has played all 19 games and been given every opportunity by coach Graham Melrose to develop his free-wheeling forward-line style.

Ever the opportunist, he has earned the respect of the opposition and is a marked man every week.

Bad day

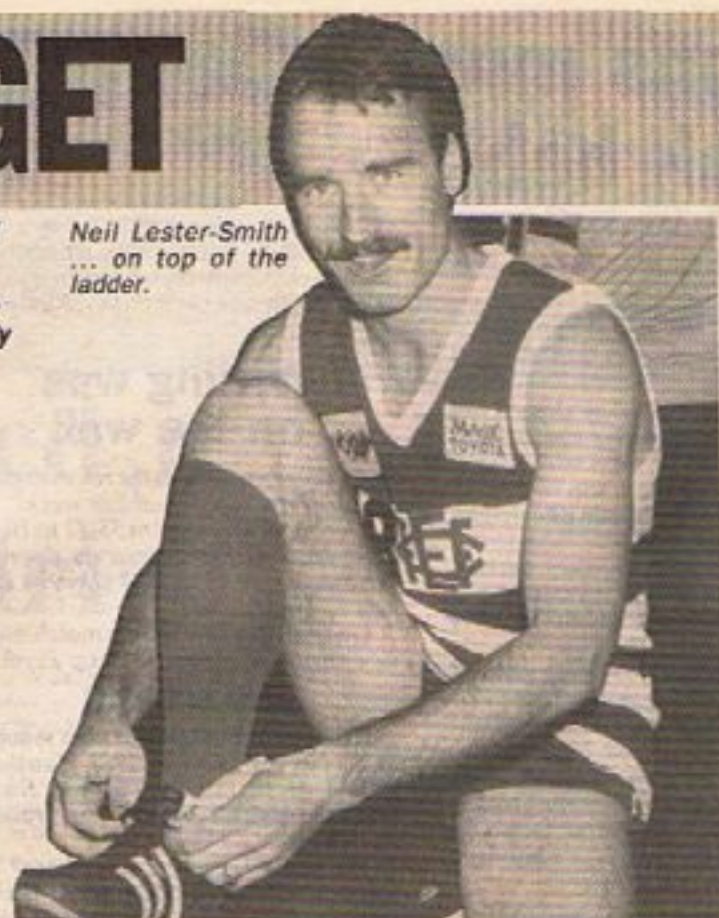
But he has had some poor days this year.

West Perth's Paul Hasler cut him out of business last Saturday and "Snuffy" was taken from the ground. But he came back to finish with three goals, his third being an absolute gem, kicking the ball while it was in mid-air.

He has bounced back several times like that this season, proving that a spell on the bench doesn't hurt at times!

Lester-Smith's style has been a winner for the Sharks and he is a player whose goalkicking form will have a big bearing on the team's success in September at Subiaco Oval.

Neil Lester-Smith ... on top of the ladder.



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Full-forwards are dying breed

THE art of full-forward play is slipping out of football in WA.

Without taking anything away from East Fremantle's Neil Lester-Smith, who has kicked 70 goals this year, there isn't a genuine full-forward in the top 10 WAFL goalkickers.

In the last 20 years, only two players really stand out as class full-forwards in WAFL ranks — Subiaco's Austin Robertson and Claremont's Warren Ralph.

They were both fast-leading, strong-marking full-forwards who could finish the job off with skilful goalkicking.

In today's tactics, coaches often use the full-forward position to rest their ruckmen, leaving two smaller skilled players in the pockets.

But, by contrast, VFL fans are thrilled week after week by the aerial feats of outstanding full-forwards like Hawthorn's Jason Dunstall, St Kilda's Tony Lockett and Fitzroy's Richard Osborne.

South Fremantle followers of bygone eras will surely remember the skills of Bernie Naylor and John Gerovich.

In the last 20 years, there have been only a handful of true full-forwards players who had the capacity to fill the position adequately.

These are the men who classify for that role:-

Claremont — Warren Ralph.
East Fremantle — Jim Sewell, Clinton Browning.

Perth — Gerry Isegar, Peter Bosustow, Mick Rea.

Subiaco — Austin Robertson, Todd Breman.

Swan Districts — Max George, Mark Olsen, Simon Beasley, Brent Hutton.
South Fremantle — Peter Troode, Graeme Scott, Ray Bauskis.
West Perth — Phil Smith.
East Perth — Phil Tierney, Archie Duda, Paul Arnold.

Falcons grab opportunity

THERE used to be a TV quiz show called Opportunity Knocks and Falcons coach George Michalczyk was obviously a fan of it!

West Perth certainly played such a game against East Fremantle last week.

Both teams had equal incentive to win; the Sharks chasing second spot, the Falcons to keep their finals hopes alive.

Desire

West Perth produced the greater desire and determination to take the points and East Fremantle looked very average in the second half when the game was up for grabs.

The Falcons were taken to the slaughter-house in Round 16 when they kicked just three goals against the Tigers.

But four weeks later they thrash third-placed East Fremantle and set themselves up to play Swan Districts this week for fourth spot.

At least West Perth now control their own destiny!

It's just a pity that they make it so hard for critics to pick winners!

Max Heiden's Tyrepower

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50 GAMES

- 49 Andrew Lockyer (Eagles)*
- 49 Chris Lewis (Eagles)*
- 49 John Worsfold (Eagles)*
- 48 Scott Walters (South Fremantle)*
- 48 Wayne Dawson (East Perth)
- 46 Scott Walters (South Fremantle)
- 47 Andrew Lockyer (East Fremantle)*
- 46 Brad Gwilliam (West Perth)

* Denotes that tally includes games with more than current club as follows: Scott Walters — 46 South Fremantle, 2 Eagles, Chris Lewis — 5 Claremont, 44 Eagles; Andrew Lockyer — 47 East Fremantle, 49 Eagles.

100 GAMES

- 98 Kim Hetherington (Swan Districts)
- 98 George Giannakis (East Perth)
- 96 Tony Beers (Claremont)*
- 96 Andrew Lockyer (Eagles)*

* Denotes that tally includes games with more than current club as follows: Tony Beers — 80 Claremont, 7 Collingwood, Andrew Lockyer — 47 East Fremantle, 49 Eagles.

150 GAMES

- 148 Maurice Rioli (South Fremantle)

300 GAMES

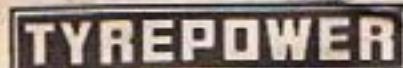
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Tough task

IT was never going to be easy for Robert Wiley when he took over the coaching reins at Perth last year.

But in two difficult years he has produced some good, young players who have been blooded in league football and should go on with their careers.

Players like Brendan Baker, John Clarkson, Grant Hatch, Jeff Moore, Warren Mahoney, Scott Spalding, Shane Stiles, Andrew Young and Damien Gordon all come to mind.

Wiley achieved plenty of personal success as a player. He was gifted, but also a hard worker and he had great pride in the way he performed.

Wiley has obviously been rather frustrated at times this season (I know the feeling). But from the games I've seen Perth play, he couldn't have done any more from the other side of the white line.

I'm sure Wiley's retirement decision didn't come easily, it never does. But he goes with the knowledge that, as always, he gave it his very best.

As to who will succeed Wiley at Perth, it seems as though reserves coach Tom Mullooly can emerge as the No. 1 candidate.

He has done well with his side, taking them to top spot on the table; he obviously knows the players,



Robert Wiley.

particularly the young guys who have been promoted to the seniors and he has the respect of all at the club.

It is hoped that the Demons can build on their promising young crop and emerge again, because it has been a struggle since they lost the 1978 grand final to East Perth by two points.



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Eagles big chance to show improvement

THIS Friday night's game against Geelong at the WACA Ground will provide an indication as to how far the West Coast Eagles have progressed in recent weeks.

They appear to have turned the corner, even though they fell in a hole against Fitzroy in the last quarter on Saturday.

This looms as a danger game for Geelong. Though they appear set to finish in the top three, a loss would put them in danger of dropping into the sudden-death elimination final.

Their rival for a double chance in the finals, Melbourne, are struggling because of injuries. But they are a gutsy side and cannot be discounted — even though they are a game and percentage behind Geelong — to make a strong bid to displace them from third spot.

Geelong have well and truly gone off the boil since their mid-season successes

that saw them demolish almost every team in sight.

On the other hand, the Eagles are now starting to show the form that got them into last year's finals.

Similar

These two teams play a similar brand of football and the Eagles are quite capable of rolling Geelong on Friday.

Though there is little at stake for the Eagles, the match is important to their future ... and, of course, John Todd's career.

It has been an abortive season for the Eagles and if they can salvage something in the remaining games, then it will put them on a firm footing for the start of next season.

A lot would like to think this season was an aberration.

Certainly the Eagles form has been right out of kilter with the initial two seasons. There is heaps of talent in the side and despite the storm clouds that settled over the team this season, the future looks bright.

Without going into personalities, I believe two things helped unbalance the side this season — the loss of Laurie Keene in the ruck and the lack of a rover scouting the packs in the forward line.

In their first two seasons, the Eagles had a big man hovering across the half-back line taking strong marks, Alex Ischchenko in the first season and Keene last year.

Deficiency

They really haven't covered that deficiency this season.

Early in the season there wasn't anyone waiting for the crumbs when the Eagles had Peter Sumich and Stevan Jackson playing virtually out of the goalsquare, but at last the return of Andrew Macnish has had an influence on the team.

Macnish is an opportunist around the goals and reads the ball well off the packs.

As well, Sumich has matured as a player and his ability, particularly at home, to lead, mark and kick goals have given the Eagles a focal point in attack.

They may appear only minor things.

TO THE EDITOR

Royals have had talent

I've put together this team of former East Perth players who have left Perth Oval for various reasons. What a good team the Royals would have if they had all stayed!

BACKS: Tony Papotto (Perth), John Scott (Claremont), Brett Stephens (Fitzroy).

HALF-BACKS: Steve Da Rui (Carlton), Michael Christian (Collingwood), Rob Solin (South Fremantle)

CENTRES: Greg Carpenter (Subiaco), Paul Pcos (Eagles), Dean Turner (Eagles)

HALF-FORWARDS: Gavin Howlett (West Perth), Craig Starcevic (Collingwood), Richard Dennis (Carlton).

FORWARDS: Alex Rattray (Subiaco), Alex Ischchenko (Bears), Shane Cocker (Subiaco).

RUCK: Craig Edwards (South Fremantle), Peter Thorne (Claremont), David Bain (Bears).

INTERCHANGE: John Ironmonger (Fitzroy), Paul Higgins (Subiaco).

Not a bad line-up?

I realise that some of those players are from other clubs originally, but they have all passed through the Perth Oval changerooms.

Colin Edwards
Bayswater

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BENNETT'S BURST

By ROBERT BENNETT
of The Sunday Times



Big-kicking Peter Sumich ... he has to fire up forward.

But the Eagles lost some close encounters earlier in the season because they were unable to capitalise on the number of opportunities they had up forward.

Another factor is the difference in

confidence in the team now that they are starting to win matches.

Everything points to them finishing on a strong note and that could be an ominous sign for Geelong on Friday.



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Craig Edwards ... WAFL star

MEDAL HOPES

THE finals countdown is on as the successful clubs chase that elusive premiership goal — and football talk also turns to the game's highest individual awards.

To win the Brownlow Medal for the best and fairest (as it's called) in the VFL or to take out WA's fairest and best honour, the Sandover Medal is the dream of every footballer.

To stand before your football peers and be crowned the fairest and best player as seen by the umpires most surely be one of sports' ultimate achievements.

The Brownlow presentation has far greater standing with the West Australian football public nowadays, with our State's public team, the Eagles, in the VFL competition.

Local fans are now more aware of all VFL teams and their players, whereas before the Eagles came into existence, the best-known players were those highlighted on the ABC television show *The Winners*.

When Claremont product Graham Moss won the Brownlow in 1976, West Australians were well-pleased. But it didn't create the atmosphere a winner would receive now that the VFL competition has expanded.

The Eagles '89 season started with so much promise after a great finish in 1988. But history now records that the '89 season would be the worst any team would hope to achieve.

Competitive

Eagles supporters have been frustrated with the lack of competitiveness displayed during games. People love winners but they also admire the genuine trier, who never says stop.

But out of the gloom of this season there has been one outstanding light — Guy McKenna.

At the young age of 22, he has proved to be a player of the highest order. In fact, he has shown the rare qualities to be given that title of future champion.

McKenna is a player who never quits. When you consider the opposition stars he has had to man-up on each week, his consistency has been sensational.



Guy McKenna ... VFL star.

Edwards can go one better

THE 1989 Sandover Medal will be counted on the Monday after the first semi-final, changing from the week before the WAFL grand final.

The night is a highlight of the WAFL season, a great occasion for former and present-day players to get together and honour yet another champion.

Last year I tipped South Fremantle ruckman Craig Edwards to take out the Medal, but he was pipped on the post by courageous East Perth little man, David Bain; now with the Brisbane bears.

But this season Edwards has had an even bigger influence on the WAFL competition.

Dominated

His form has been superb, with some games being so dominated by his influence that he had to be a certainty to collect top votes.

His performance against Subiaco recently was one such game and rarely do football followers see one man have such a big influence on the outcome of a match.

Edwards is the best big man in Australia not playing in VFL ranks — and he only needs to be given a chance at the highest level to prove his skill.

Edwards has played consistently well all season to be a worthy recipient of the Sandover Medal.

DORRO'S DIARY

By GRANT DORRINGTON



McKenna has Brownlow attributes

McKenna can win the 1989 Brownlow Medal!

That's certainly a big statement, but I base it on his individual performances and the fact that he has few teammates who will collect votes ahead of him.

Chris Mainwaring is the only player who could justify claiming votes from McKenna over the season.

McKenna's ability to be so cool under pressure and use handball to perfection would attract umpires votes,

as does Sydney Swans centreman Greg Williams, a Brownlow winner in 1986 who plays a similar hard-working game as the Eagles star.

McKenna has the mental attitude to develop into one of the greats of Australian football.

West Australians will be keenly watching on Brownlow Medal night, hoping that a member of the Eagles can bring football's greatest individual prize home to the West.

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The national view
by JOHN WARREN

Drug users pose serious implications

AFTER a virtual lifetime of intense involvement in Australian Football, I recently learned, from impeccable sources, of the usage of drugs by footballers.

This was the first time that I have encountered firm evidence that they were in use.

Before being told of this particular instance, I have always taken great pride in honestly saying I had never seen or heard of definite drug usage in our sport.

Admittedly, the three footballers allegedly involved are playing the game at modest level in a suburban league.

However, in reality it can only be a forerunner of more to come — and possibly at more elite levels.

And we are not talking about the popping of a couple of pep pills; this incident involved the three players being seen injecting before the game.

Implications

These poor creatures may, in fact, be regular drug users, who were merely continuing their addiction during a football game — not necessarily to try and improve their not very skilful performance.

Be that as it may, the fact remains that they were "using" within the precincts of a football game.

Closer reflection of such a situation also makes one aware of the unfortunate implications which could arise.

Whatever rubbish they pumped into themselves made them appear "spaced out" and one player looked as though he was severely concussed.

Another also deposited his last meal at the feet of spectators on the sidelines!

Obviously people in such a condition — especially if they have a naturally aggressive personality — are likely to exert unfortunate or even dangerous influences when indulging in a contact sport.

Starting a brawl and "going animal" would seem to be well within the realms of possibility for such people.

In any event, their potential for disruption and turning the game into a shambles is recognisable.

Drug testing will become common practice in all sports over the next few years.

It is a sad reflection on our society, lifestyle and priorities that it has emerged as a necessity — but we are stuck with it.

As a person charged with the responsibilities of formulating coaching programs and then projecting them into the football mainstream, I am saddened by the probability that misguided idiots will try to marry their addiction to a football involvement.

I urge ANYONE connected with football clubs who has evidence of drug usage by players to take measures to ensure that these people are expelled from the Australian Football scene.

Their influence is insidious, unhealthy, unnatural and unwanted. Get rid of them!!

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VERY occasionally there is a player, an individual, who is responsible for pulling people through the turnstiles.

This Friday night should see a packed house at the WACA Ground.

It won't be because the parochial West Australians consider the Eagles can beat Geelong. At best they will be looking for a competitive performance and a pleasant night, even though their fourth win in five appearances would be nice.

They will be there to see the champion who wears No. 5 for Geelong — that footballing freak called Gary Ablett. WA crowds have seen his genius before.

He has come and conquered in a Victorian State guernsey more than once and now the born again Christian will be in Perth to leave an indelible impression in the minds of the West Australians.

Eagles coach John Todd has often criticised the WA public for being too fair in applauding the feats of the opposition. In Melbourne, the Eagles are afforded no such courtesies.

Different

A goal at Princes Park, the MCG or VFL Park is greeted with silence when it is kicked by the team bearing the gold and blue colours of the West Coast Eagles.

In Perth it is different. The opposition is applauded when they perform a feat worthy of such a reception.

Being a West Australian, there have been some proud moments to savour, both before and after the birth of the Eagles, as home grown players succeed at the highest level.

There have been the Browlow Medal victories of Ross Glendinning, Graham Moss and Brad Hardie. There have been the Australian Championship wins and there

Ablett will pack WACA

TAKING STOCK

By GARY STOKES
of the West Australian



has been the sizzling skills of the likes of the Krakouer brothers, the courage of Ken Hunter and the brilliance of Barry Cable and Graham Farmer.

All season this match on Friday night has loomed as something special.

Since the 1989 football year opened and the programme of fixtures was released this match against Geelong has been highlighted on the desk calendar.

The likes of Mark Bairstow, Paul Couch, Barry Stoneham, Andrew Bews, Guy McKenna, Chris Mainwaring, Murray Rance and David Hart are all worth going to see.

But to all the players on the ground on Friday night there will be just one with extraordinary qualities.

Whether Ablett plays on a half-back flank, as coach Malcolm Blight used him early in the season, on a wing where he kicked 14 goals later on or up forward, he has that aura of a man capable of doing what others consider impossible.



Superstar Gary Ablett...on display at the WACA

Hurling himself through the air at unnatural angles, kicking the ball over long distances or simply performing the normal football skills, Ablett is a player of special qualities.

With the respective positions on the VFL ladder suggesting the Cats should be strong winners against the Eagles, there will be only one reason for the packed house on Friday night — Gary Ablett.

Schools need helping hand

CLAREMONT are lucky to have the luxury of schools such as Scotch, Christ Church and Hale in their zone.

The students obviously come from far and wide but the majority fall in our zone.

Saturday four of the league team were from Christ Church and most weeks we usually have up to five from Scotch.

As a young player from CBC Fremantle, I was always proud that our school produced champions in many different sports, not just Australian Rules.

Both Fremantle teams gained a lot of fine players from this small school, which produced the likes of the Regans, the Grijusichs, Barry White, Frank Legena, Brian Ciccotosto ... the list goes on.



Bernie Naylor ... great CBC man.

STRAIGHT TALKING

With Claremont coach
GERARD NEEMAN



The greatest of former CBC players in my memory has to be Bernie Naylor, one of the goalkicking legends.

Schools that are strong in Australian Rules should be given support in all areas from their local league club.

Sport at school level generally has just finished what I would call a recreation era and the out of school hours sport that is now permeating back into the schools should see a real resurgence in the popularity of football.

Pressure's on

WEST Perth have breathed more than life into the competition with their stirring win over East Fremantle.

If the Falcons beat Swans this week, a colossal amount of pressure will go on Swans to beat South in the final home and away fixture.

The stakes could be stacked in such a way that we have virtually finals football (or elimination football) from here on in.

South need to win their last two matches to keep the Sharks in third place.

The league could not orchestrate a better finish to a what has been a tough season for football's survival.

Crowd-pleaser

LAST Saturday's South Fremantle—Claremont game was played under great pressure from go to whoa.

I can't recall seeing so many players totally exhausted or down with cramp.

I am sure the crowd of 5500 left the ground pleased with all aspects of the game from both sides.

The fact that the fans were so vocal was appreciated by the players, as that type of emotion spurs them on in a tight game.



Falcons defender Darren O'Brien gets his kick in as Sharks rival Glen Moir smothers.



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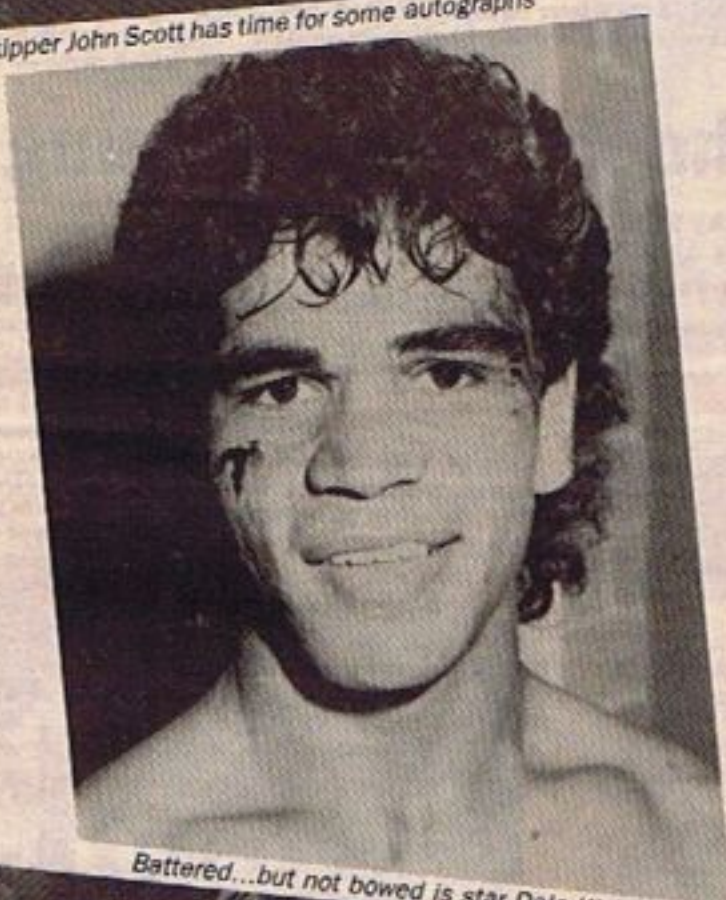
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Tigers skipper John Scott has time for some autographs

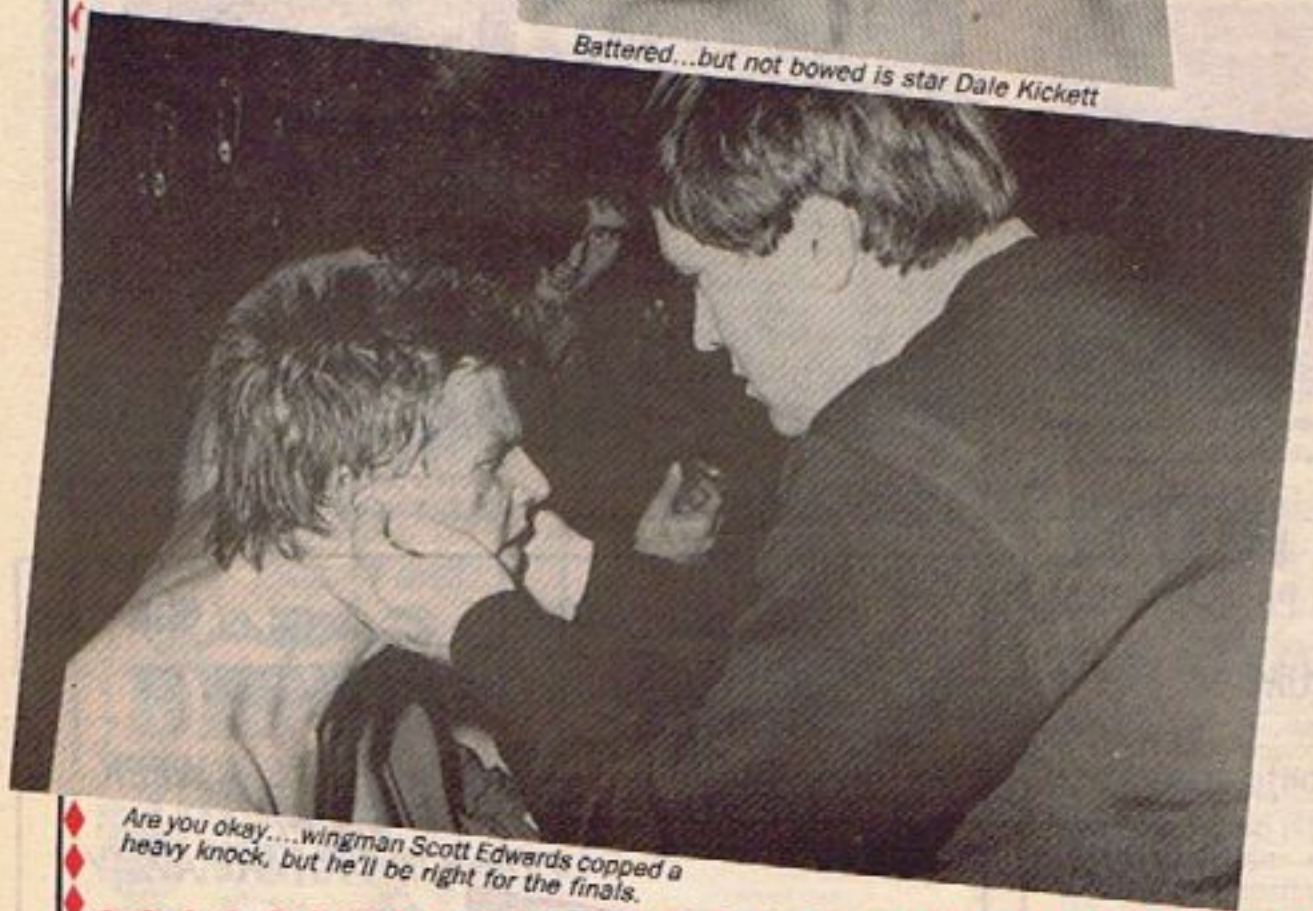


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Battered...but not bowed is star Dale Kickett

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Are you okay....wingman Scott Edwards copped a heavy knock, but he'll be right for the finals.



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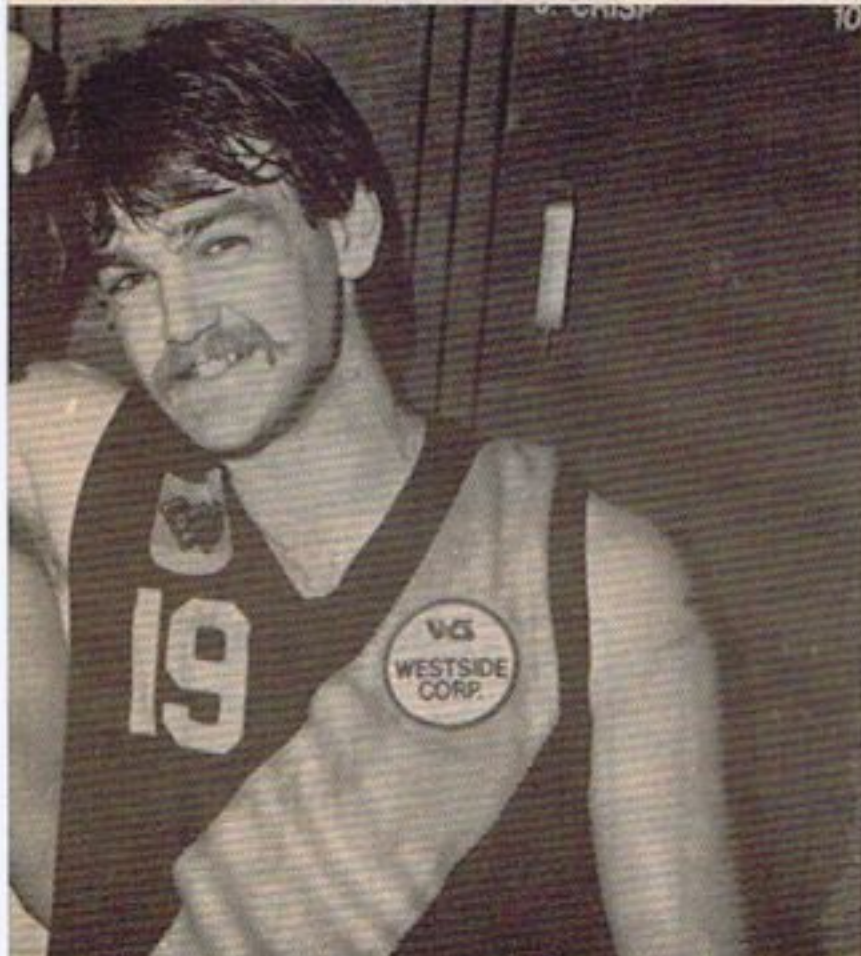
gers roar some more....

He's no toothless Tiger. Is Tony Bears; now back in the seniors after injury



TERRIFIC

CLAREMONT are set to finish on top of the SGIO WAFL premiership table with their victory over second-placed South Fremantle on Saturday. And it was a pretty happy bunch who achieved the victory before a home-town crowd. Westside photographer JULIAN COWAN was at Claremont Oval to capture the action...and the atmosphere as the Tigers celebrated.



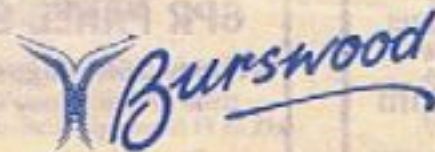
Peter Melessa (left) and Peter Higgins are geared up for a finals game with Claremont.



Kevin Mitchell has an autograph for Tigers fan Michael Taylor, 5, of Duncaig.

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Falcons were always confident



WEST Perth approached last Saturday's crucial clash with East Fremantle with one simple game plan — to run the Sharks off their feet.

The Sharks had taken on the mantle of premiership favourites with only one loss in their previous 12 outings.

But that didn't deter Falcons coach George Michalczyk and his charges from going into the match with a positive attitude.

"I knew we could beat them," Michalczyk said after the Falcons thrilling 15-point win.

Best game

"They are a big, strong side, but today they proved to be too big. We ran the ball around their bigger players and produced what I think was our best performance of the year.

"It was a huge game and I don't really care how, or why, we won — we won and that's all that matters.

"We haven't had a win at East Fremantle since 1985 and it's the first time we've won three games in a row this season.

"Somehow I've got to pick the trophy winners; they all played well, it's hard to single any one player out."

Michalczyk added that the players would receive an unexpected bonus from the win.

Falcons sponsor Brian Hesse, of Mountway City Hyundai, found a willing Sharks fan to indulge in a small wager, ... and donated \$500 to the players' trip fund after the victory!

Tim's cooling his heels

TIM Adam must be wondering what he has to do to get a kick for West Perth.

Adam was recalled to the league team two weeks ago after a 12-week absence, but is yet to take the field.

However, in the after-match euphoria of Saturday's thrilling 15-point win over East Fremantle, coach George Michalczyk — tongue-in-cheek — decreed that all would change this week.

"At training this week you blokes have to kick the ball to Tim," he told the team.

Adam has warmed the interchange bench for the whole game, with Michalczyk reluctant to make a change to the on-field line-up, especially when the team was going so well.

"It's been unfortunate," says Michalczyk. "But he's a good player and he'll get his chance."



Souths coach Stan Magro...unfamiliar role

Talent off the field at the Port

THEY are a pretty talented bunch at Fremantle Oval — and not only on the football stage.

The players and football staff took to the acting stage last Saturday night for the Bulldogs annual Players' Revue and the occasion produced some outstanding performances.

In front of a capacity 600-strong audience in the South Fremantle club-rooms, Sandover Medal favourite Craig Edwards — complete with tutu — and Peter Copeland (dressed as a duck) danced their way through a routine called Dog Swamp; while the portrayal of Cinderella by coach Stan Magro was also among the highlights.

However, the show-stealer of the 10-act programme was an act written by general manager Brian Ciccotosto entitled "Miss South Fremantle Sports".

Sports beauty!

Starring Cicco as the compere and league players Brad Collard (Miss Netball), Richard Lynch (Miss Hockey), Steven Grant (Miss Golf), Peter Worsfold (Miss West Coast) and John MacDonald (Miss Tennis), it was an unbridled satire about a sports beauty contest.

The winner's name will be withheld to protect the image of the tough nonsense defender.

Mr Ciccotosto said that the revue raised \$5000 for the players trip fund. "It was a tremendous success," he said. "It raised a lot of money for the players trip and everyone had a good time."

Dead-eye dicks!

EAST Fremantle's supporters were spitting the proverbial chips as West Perth went on their goalkicking spree last Saturday.

While the Sharks were struggling to convert goals in the second and third terms, it seemed as though the Falcons couldn't miss — no matter where they shot from.

Headed by sharp-shooters Warren Taylor and Paddy Madaffari (five goals each), Gavin Howlett (3) and Malcolm Williams (2), the West Perth goals came from acute angles on the flanks, over-the-shoulder snaps and kicks on the turn.

While the Falcons fans were eating it up at East Fremantle Oval, the Sharks faithful found it hard to stomach.

Rookie under teacher's eye

PERTH coach Robert Wiley was probably tempted to dish out some extra homework for one of his students last Friday — to keep him out of trouble on Saturday!

But the sportsman-like Demon didn't — and, in fact, had some words of good luck for Marcus Seecamp, who was making his debut for East Perth against Perth on Saturday.

The 17-year-old Seecamp comes from Roleystone and is one of Wiley's students at Kelmscott High.

He was one of WA's best players in this year's Teal Cup carnival in Melbourne and was used sparingly in a forward pocket in his debut.

However, the tall youngster — who started the year in East Perth's under-19s side — has excellent pace and looms as a talented wingman or half-forward of the future.

Tony's now a real terrier

EAST Perth supporters could only look on in awe as the long-sleeved No. 1 Perth guernsey continually busted open the packs and ran the ball out of the Royals forward line.

Was this the Tony Papotto who roved for the blue-and-blacks a few seasons back?

It sure was ... and the former Royals rover has developed into a ferocious back pocket defender — giving the resting rovers no peace at all.

In fact, his fearless dashes into packs and his courageous head-on frontal attacks to on-coming forwards reminded many East Perth fans of two of their own defensive heroes...former back pocket specialist Steve Curtis and current incumbent George Giannakis.

"Yes, I love the back pocket," was Papotto's after-match comment having



Tony Papotto ... new role.

seen the 30-point victory lift the Demons up to sixth position on the ladder.

Aggressive

"I'm reading the ball much better in defence; whereas I used to get caught between the play a lot as a rover.

"I've developed a much more aggressive attitude towards the game; you have to if you're going to avoid mistakes and survive in defence."

Papotto switched to the Demons camp in 1987 after 41 games in four years with the Royals. He hasn't always been a league regular at Perth, facing an early start in the reserves on the odd occasion.

But his new-found form in defence has changed all that...and the Perth fans love him.

At the after-match presentations, Papotto received by far the biggest ovation when he went up to collect a best-player award and it seems as though he's now a true-blue Demon.

Stretcher cases

EAST Perth must be wondering when it will all end! The club's incredible run of injuries continued on Saturday when Lucio (Butch) Baroni became the fifth Royals player to be stretchered off in three weeks. Against West Perth, the stretcher bearers delivered Andrew Embry, Gavin Rose and Eric Moroni back to the rooms and a week later it was Nicky Yarran who failed to use his feet to leave the arena. Baroni suffered concussion in a heavy knock ... and it was great sportsmanship to see Perth's Wayne Ryder go back to Baroni's aid immediately after the accidental collision.

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RATINGS

Westside Football's weekly rating is Perth's only WAFL form guide for individual players. Each week we rate all league players on a score of 1-10. Injured players indicated with an "I" and interchange with an "I".

JUST two points separate Buccaneer-of-the-Year leader Craig Edwards (South Fremantle) on 128, from West Perth's Craig Nelson. John O'Sullivan, Peter Menaglio and Stephen Edgar all closely follow on 124 points.

South Fremantle

Player	MP	EF	SO	WP	SP	EP	CP	EP	SO	WP	SP	EP	CP	EP	SO	WP	SP	EP	CP	Total	
A'VINS, Martin	10	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	128
BALL, Peter	10	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	127
COLLARD, Cliff	7	8	5	7	7	8	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	127
COLLARD, Derek	7	8	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	127
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DELLAR, Mark	5	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	127
DITCHBURN, John	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	127
EDWARDS, Craig	7	8	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	128
FINNINO, Neil	5	7	6	7	7	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	123
FLUGGE, Ashley	5	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	123
GEARY, Richard	8	7	8	5	4	5	7	4	6	7	3	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	122
GRANT, Steven	4	6	5	4	7	6	8	6	5	5	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	122
GIBB, Doug	5	6	6	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	121
HART, David	10	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	121
IRVING, Dean	10	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	121
JACKSON, Steven	6	5	8	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	121
JACKSON, Glen	5	7	4	5	4	6	5	5	6	7	8	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	121
KICKETT, Graham	10	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	121
LEBECK, Damien	10	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	121
LONCH, Richard	10	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	121
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MORGAN, Paul	10	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	121
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WILSON, Dean	5	6	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	102
WYLIE, Daryl	10	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	121

East Perth

Player	MP	EF	SO	WP	SP	EP	CP	EP	SO	WP	SP	EP	CP	EP	SO	WP	SP	EP	CP	Total	
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BARTLETT, Glen	5	6	6	5	4	6	6	6	7	8	5	5	6	4	6	6	6	6	6	6	110
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CRANBERG, Peter	4	5	5	4	5	7	6	5	6	5	5	5	4	6	5	5	5	5	5	5	90
CAMPBELL, Grant	5	7	6	6	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	59
CARTER, Mark	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	14
CHAMPION, Bruce	12	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	121
CLAP, Man	6	5	5	5	5	6	6	5	6	4	6	6	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	93
CLARK, Adam	14	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	141
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MILLER, Peter	5	6	7	5	4	6	8	7	6	6	7	6	4	5	6	5	6	5	6	5	105
PEOS, Paul	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	25
ROSE, Gavin	6	6	7	7	5	8	6	8	7	6	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	100
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SEYMOUR, Ken	6	5	5	4	4	6	6	7	5	5	4	5	7	6	5	3	9	3	9	3	93
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WARD, Andy	10	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	121
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Tigers coach Gerard Neesham (fourth from left) watches the action flanked by team manager Jim Cross, winger Mark Hann, selector Peter Jamieson and runner Larry Kickett (right)

IT WAS a sceptical Gerard Neesham who prepared Claremont for the 1989 WAFL campaign.

After taking the Tigers to successive grand final appearances in 1987 and '88, there were no certainties for him as the new football season approached.

Rover Don Pyke, big forward Peter Melesso and ruckman Peter Higgins had all gone to the West Coast Eagles, Grant Povey was trying his luck with Carlton and dynamic ball-getter Peter Thorne looked a doubtful starter.

And with Neesham himself having just turned 34 years of age, he could not be expected to wield the same on-field influence he once did.

But what the General did have was a highly talented group of youngsters and some promising rookies. He knew the year could go either way for Claremont and as the premiership ladder shows it went up — all the way to the top in fact.

Dominated from start

The Tigers have dominated the WAFL competition from day one. They have a 2-1 win record over their closest rivals South Fremantle, have beaten East Fremantle twice (the third meeting is next week) and have recorded the hat-trick over Swan Districts.

Claremont's only other blemishes were against their old nemesis Subiaco who they lost to twice. But the Lions aren't in the finals...

"Like everyone else I would have hoped to finish the season undefeated," Neesham said. "But that's not always possible!"

"With our player-losses, it looked like it was going to be a hard time, so it was a case of wait and see."

"And it wasn't only the losses from 1988, but '87 and '86 as well."

"Steve Malaxos, Geoff Miles, Chris Lewis, Michael and David O'Connell and Guy McKenna all joined the Eagles, Darrell Panizza, Darren Klemm and Derek Kickett went to South Australia, Mark Hepburn to North Melbourne, Stephen Goulding returned to Tasmania and Noel Morton retired at 26 years of age."

"And on top of all that, we lost John Hutton for the entire year after he injured his knee in a pre-season practice match. He had turned the corner and could have been anything this year."

"Those types of players cannot be replaced overnight."

"Thorne wasn't sure about his football future, so he took a six-week holiday to think about it and thankfully he stayed on."

"Peter Mann, Jeremy Guard and Peter Jarzabek had all been good under 19s, but you don't know how quickly they will adjust to league football."

"As it turns out, they've done well for their first year."

Winning factor

"The winning factor has been the performances of the players in the 20 to 23-year-old age bracket."

"Players like Dale Kickett, Tony Begovich, Mark Brayshaw and even Ben Allan, who has improved immensely as a footballer this year. Ben used to get 25 possessions on a good day and 15 on a bad one. Now he gets 25 on a bad one."

"He's a player who has benefitted by playing an extra year in the WAFL and another one wouldn't hurt him either. He'll still only be 22 years of age when he goes to the VFL."

"Kickett has worked hard on his game and Brayshaw has blossomed into one of the best key-position players in the WAFL."

"Tony Evans was another player who came into our side and played well and we also got the added bonus of Kevin Mitchell returning to Perth and Scott Rowland coming across from East Fremantle."

"Things have turned out rather well for us; I just hope that we can maintain it in the finals."

Finals-type pressure

Neesham said that last Saturday's clash with South Fremantle was an important test for his young Tigers. The game was played in a finals atmosphere and the players came through it well.

Neesham had a word of warning about coaching problems in the WAFL — particularly at a top club.

"Each year we lose players and have to bring others on," he said.

"So while the coach is teaching them the rudiments, the other players are getting bored because they've done it all before."

"It would be nice to coach a team that only lost one or two players per year."

Neesham plans to hang a "Gone Fishing" sign on his door when the season is over. "I won't want to know about it until after Christmas," he said.

"We'll begin 1990 pre-season in January and take stock of what we have left then."

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Royals start their search for '90



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THE 1989 football season has certainly been a baptism of fire for rookie East Perth coach Ian McCulloch.

When the former Royals and Fitzroy ruckman rejoined the club as coach at the start of this season, it was like the prodigal son returning. The loyal Royals stalwarts and critics felt that

they had the man strong enough to stop the rot.

Between 1956 and 1984, East Perth had missed the final four only five times and were certainly one of the league's most consistent clubs.

Since then they have lamented in the bottom three places and unfortunately for McCulloch, they are headed for the cellar once more this season.

After coaching Wanneroo to a Sunday League premiership last year, McCulloch admits that this season has been "a bit of a come down".

Painful

Despite the painful fact that the Royals seem certain to finish lower than they did in 1988, McCulloch is confident that he can justify the club's faith in him.

"We had a good pre-season this year, winning all of our games, but then we let ourselves down with a few bad results," he said.

"We took a couple of hidings from sides early on and we never really recovered."

"I do believe that we have the nucleus of a top four side — we just lack about three good six foot tall running players in the midfield to give us drive."

"When Paul Peos came back into the side this year, he made all the difference and we began winning games. But once he went back to the Eagles, we fell away again."

McCulloch said that work has already begun on the 1990 WAFL campaign.

"We've been scouring the land looking for players to strengthen our squad," he said.

"A couple of players at the recent Wesfarmers Country Carnival caught our eye and we've also seen a few in the amateur and Sunday league competitions."

"We haven't got the money to get players from anywhere else, like interstate. But maybe we'll pick up some from the other WAFL clubs on an exchange basis."

McCulloch said that East Perth were going through a period where the younger players are too light for the tough man-to-man confrontations.

"We'll be having a heavy pre-season," McCulloch said. "And we'll be starting three weeks after the grand final."

"It will be mostly weights and running."

There have been few better performers for East Perth this season than

their experienced skipper Glen Bartlett and ruckman Mal Bennett.

Bartlett, 24, started the year in defence, but was switched to full-forward to give the attack some potency.

The former West Coast Eagle has marked strongly and kicked 41 goals for the season.

Big number

Bennett has again continued his lone fight in the ruck and will figure prominently when the Royals add up the votes for their fairest and best player award.

The standard for courage and never-say-die determination was again set by defender George Giannakis, whose courage led to consistent appearances on the doctor's table after the game for head-wound stitches.

The Royals have used 46 players in their senior side — an exceptionally high tally as McCulloch and his off-siders search for the right talent and balance.

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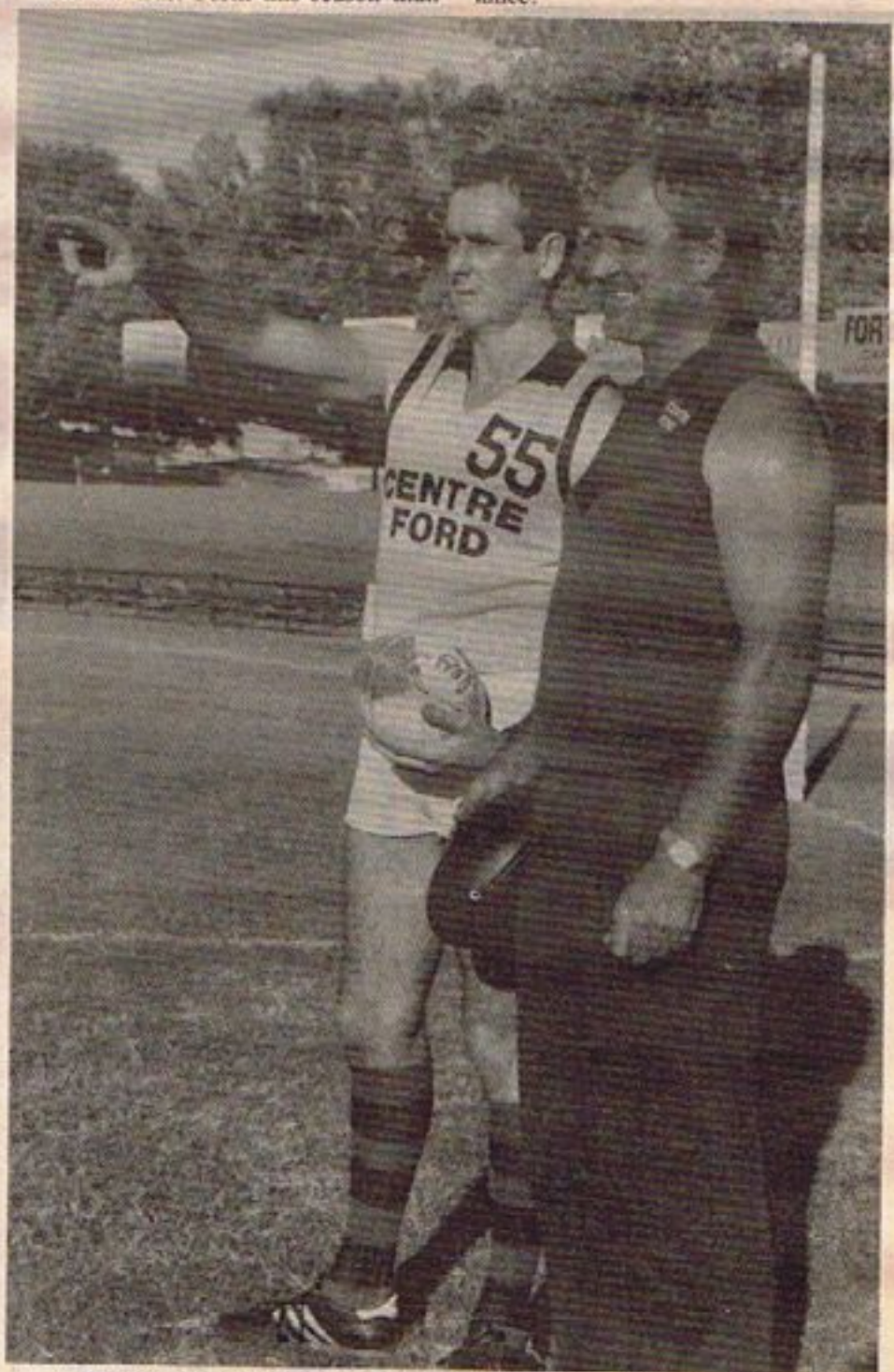
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TOYOTA CUP

Top sides in knockout carnival

TOYOTA Cup sides Bassendean, Hawks, Whitfords, Karoonda, Kenwick and Bayswater/Morley will battle for the chance to play for the 1989 championship when they meet in a knockout carnival this weekend.

These six sides were either grand final winners or minor premiers in each zone.

The two leading teams from the knockout competition will play in the Toyota Cup grand final at Subiaco Oval on August 27.

Karoonda (South/East Fremantle), Kenwick (South Suburban/Perth) and Bayswater/Morley (East/West Perth) go into the regional championships as minor premiers and they still have their zone finals to play over the coming weeks.

Subiaco's Whitfords secured their position when they beat Warwick in the grand final earlier in August and Hawks and Bassendean won the Claremont and Swan Districts grand finals last Sunday.

Reverse

At Jubilee Reserve, Bassendean reversed the second semi-final result when they beat arch-rivals Swan View, 10.14 (74) to 5.8 (38).

Swan View were surprise winners in the second semi-final and Bassendean had to beat Eastern Hills in the preliminary final to get a chance to earn their revenge.

Bassendean, coached by hard working Swans supporter Dave Lindsay, were worthy winners as they lost only one of their 12 preliminary games.

At Claremont Oval, Hawks became Tigers Cup premiers when they were convincing winners over Carine, 18.14 (122) to 10.7 (67).

Hawks are coached by well-known Claremont personality Ian Toms and they worked hard for their success by winning the first semi-final from Karrinyup three weeks ago and beating highly-fancied Marist in the preliminary final.

Skills

The grand final produced an excellent brand of football skills and the standard assures Claremont of a great future.

The Tigers Cup has been an excellent breeding ground for Claremont footballers in the past 12 years and Tigers colts coach Larry Kickett watched with interest before presenting the Tigers Cup.

This year's inaugural Toyota Cup was modelled on the highly successful Tigers Cup and the six zone finalists have progressed from a field of 60 metropolitan teams.

Last Sunday's Toyota Cup results were:

Swan Districts — Grand final, Bassendean 10.14 d Swan View 5.8.

Tigers Cup — Hawks 18.14 (Hulton, Baker, Lamb) d Carine 10.7 (Lapco, Clatworthy, Williams).

South East Fremantle — Kardinya 19.14 (Peterson) d Willetton 6.6 (Bertram, Connor), East Fremantle 21.15 (Evans, Fraser) d Applecross 9.6 (Ahera), Lywood 25.20 (Hayward, High) d Cockburn 5.6 (Romanello, Henderson).

South Suburban/Perth — Kenwick 17.14 (England) d Thornlie 4.7 (Poller), Footscray 17.12 (Smart) d Forrestdale 5.3 (Dyke), Gonnella 10.12 (Curtis) d Armadale 6.8 (Ugle), Robynstone 11.7 (Cummings) d Kelmscott 6.4 (Ebsary), East Victoria Park 21.15 (Bell) d Maddington 4.4 (Allison).

East West Perth — Osborne Park 14.9 (Prou) d Swanleigh 9.2 (Zupflon), Bayswater/Morley 22.15 (Kirwan-Ward) d Bombers 9.6 (Haddock), Cougars 11.12 (Elborough) d Noranda 11.3 (Burke).

Schools are targetted in umpires drive

UPPER school students at high schools throughout the metropolitan area are being targeted as tomorrow's junior umpires by the Town and Country Football Development Trust.

Part-time FDT umpires development co-ordinator and former WAFL umpire, Kevin Castensen admits that it is "pretty difficult" to get kids interested in umpiring. But he and his recruiting assistant, Peter Sherwood, spend all of their spare time trying.

Introductory lectures and courses in umpiring have been held for upper school physical education students this year at about 20 high schools and six proper umpiring courses have also been run.

These figures represent a 100 per cent increase on last year and if that trend continues, there is likely to be an improvement in umpire numbers over the years.

"Not much money has been spent on recruitment in the past — umpiring has almost been a forgotten area," said Castensen, a secondary school science teacher who devotes every afternoon and weekend to the umpiring cause.

"We're trying to get into the schools

and attract the kids who still want to be involved in football, but find they just haven't got the playing skills.

"They're often sitting on the reserves bench, but would love to be out on the ground.

Money

"There's also a lot more money to be made from the hours involved with umpiring compared to some of the part time jobs youngsters tackle.

"For example, Aussie Footy umpires get \$15 a game, while umpires up to under-17s and the Alcock Cup can earn up to \$30.

"Kids can make money in a healthy environment, while getting fit and being involved in a game as well as the other benefits you get from belonging to a group."

Each junior council in the metropolitan area now has a team of umpire coaches who train young umpires and provide umpires in all games.

Children as young as 12 run the boundaries in junior games and a 15-

member HBF development squad of 17 to 22-year-olds is likely to turn out some high quality umpires in the 1990's.

Unfortunately, there is a shortage of experienced umpires in junior councils and the FDT is trying hard to rectify the problem.

"In recent years, a lot of people who might have umpired or continued umpiring have been turned away because of abuse from coaches, parents and players," Castensen said.

"The FDT is trying to improve the situation with codes of behaviour and the monitoring and accreditation of coaches, but we still have to put in a lot of time with junior umpires."

Over the summer months, the FDT is hoping to establish an incentive scheme aimed at keeping experienced and accredited umpires in with the juniors, especially at the Aussie Footy level where young footballers need extra guidance.



Little League action in Sharks territory

Town and Country Little League Another Cousins on the way

FORMER Perth champion Bryan Cousins was a proud father last Saturday — even though his son Ben was wearing a blue and white guernsey instead of his favourite red and black.

Ben Cousins played Town and Country Little League for East Fremantle against West Perth and was among his side's best, along with Ryan Miller and Michael Steer. Best for West Perth were Stephen Ugle, Mark Edwards and Todd Keeley.

At Claremont Oval, young Tigers Mitch Linto, Owen Graham, Cory Howe and Anthony Parker performed well, as did South Fremantle's Russell Calhoun, Brett Kearney, Russell Bozanisa and Robert Frost.

Perth and East Perth fought it out at Lathlain Park and Ryan Chitty, Paul Cox and Craig Drew were the Demons best. East Perth's best were Chris Thomlinson, Andrew Johnstone and Daniel Cadwallar.

At league headquarters, Subiaco and Swan Districts battled to the end and the Lions were led by Troy Oldfield, Quinton Harber and Justin Wearne, while Paul Pitassi, Steven Elliott and Damien King were best for Swans.

Schoolboys are ready

THE Commonwealth Bank State Schoolboys Australian Championships begin in Darwin this Saturday and WA will be represented by a confident 25-member squad.

Expectations are high in the WA camp after the schoolboys acquitted themselves well in warm-up games against Whitfords, Christ Church, Hamilton and Eastern Districts.

Coach Ric Evans is a veteran of these carnivals and he has put his squad through a tough lead-up to the carnival, often matching the under-15s against boys up to two years older.

The schoolboys have a very versatile side this year, with a number of key position players.

Forwards

The forward line has been in good touch in recent weeks with full-forward Scott Cummings kicking 10 goals in one match and centre half-forward Chris Waddingham kicking four in another.

The side lacks a powerful big man and they may suffer in the ruck, though Chris Love performed credibly in that position against Christ Church and the speed of their smaller players on the ground will hopefully make up for their lack of height.

Rovers Drew Cornelius and Chris Batka have been in good form, as have wingman Michael Rogers and centreman David McManus.

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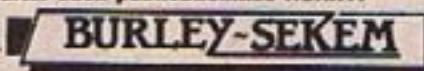
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Sharks topple Perth from top

Prime RESERVES

A MASSIVE 135-point win by East Fremantle over West Perth last Saturday saw the Sharks knock Perth off top spot on the Prime reserves ladder.

East Fremantle won 33.12 (210) to 10.15 (75) and as well as trading places with Perth, they also finished the game with a higher percentage, which will be important when the season finishes in two weeks.

East Fremantle, Perth and South Fremantle hold the top three positions at present, though they could still finish in any order.

Perth and South Fremantle both performed poorly last Saturday when they lost to East Perth and Claremont, respectively, and their inability to score goals would be worrying for their coaches.

Colin Waterson is firing at full-forward for East Fremantle and he kicked nine goals out of the Sharks huge tally at East Fremantle Oval.

The Sharks have a good blend of youth and experience and under coach Ron Wilcox, they are hitting top form and should play in the second semi-final.

East Perth showed that they have long memories when they outclassed Perth at Lathlain Park 20.23 (143) to 9.18 (72).

Back in round one, the Demons got up to beat East Perth by one point in the dying minutes of the game at Lathlain Park and on Saturday East Perth had put on 12 goals to Perth's two points at quarter time.

"Perth also whipped us at the WACA in round two, so we made amends for some past performances," said Royals coach Wayne Duke.

Though East Perth are still a long way out of the four, they showed that they have the talent to upset South Fremantle's second semi-finals plans at Fremantle Oval this weekend.

By TANIA ARMSTRONG



"We want to continue winning and get off the bottom of the ladder," said a determined Duke.

Claremont moved into the four when they held South Fremantle goalless in the second half at Claremont Oval.

Claremont won, 15.21 (111) to 4.7 (31) and were bolstered by the inclusion of West Coast Eagle Steve Malaxos.

At Subiaco Oval, Subiaco over-came a half-time deficit to run out 20-point winners over Swan Districts, 19.14 (128) to 16.12 (108).

UNDER 19s

Royals make finals date a certainty

WITH two games of the 1989 season remaining, the extraordinary situation of every team in the competition still being able to play in the finals exists in the under-19s.

East Perth hold top position on the table and they are the only team assured of a game in September.

Any one of the remaining seven sides can secure a finals place over the next two Saturdays — even bottom side East Fremantle.

The evenness of the colts competition was evident in the first round and is in stark contrast to the two previous years when the top four broke four games clear of the field.

Amazingly, no team has beaten any other side more than once this year, so predicting the winners of the last two games is near impossible. Form is the only guide.

Comfortable

East Perth, last year's runners up to Claremont, are two games clear of Subiaco on the top rung of the ladder and they can't be knocked out of the four. But they can be shifted from their perch by Subiaco (who have a superior percentage) and Perth, though the Royals are looking quite comfortable after winning their last four games.

Second-placed Subiaco have run into form by winning their last five games and their clash with East Perth at the WACA Ground in the last game of the round, will be of vital importance to final placings.

Third-placed Perth have had an up-and-down season winning six games straight at the beginning of the season, though they have only won a third of their last nine games.

Reigning premiers Claremont are clinging to fourth place on superior percentage from West Perth, Swan Districts and South Fremantle and coach Larry Kickett would dearly love to defend his title.

The Tigers have won three of their last four games and appear to have overcome a mid-season slump which saw them win only one game in seven after round five.

West Perth, Swan Districts and South Fremantle hold fifth, sixth and seventh place, but all three have hit disastrous end-of-season trouble.

Royals man loses Vic. allegiance

WEST Australians probably think that it is strange for a Victorian to be helping our juniors, but East Perth's Richmond-born development manager, Andrew Komp, believes that it is perfectly natural.

Komp moved to Perth in 1986 and took the development manager position in Easter of '87 after the Town and Country Football Development Trust was established.

"West Australians have got a real chip on their shoulder about Victorians, but Victorians are really interested in meeting people from WA."

"I think it's because you don't get a lot of West Australians going to Victoria, whereas every second guy you talk to over here is from Victoria or the Eastern States."

Komp said he found it strange being on WA's side when he and the other development managers accompanied the Teal Cup side to Victoria last month.

"I really would have loved to see WA beat the Victorians — it would have made my day."

Experience

"That was a really funny experience for me — being opposed to the Vics and wanting to beat them."

"But that's just how you are. It's like when you change clubs when playing football."

"You might have a lot of friends at your old club, but you grow allegiance to something — you've been there since the birth of the concept and want to see it through."

Komp is the only development manager still playing football, though this season he is having a bad run of injury with his Sunday football league club Osborne Park.

"I was out for several weeks in a row. I had a knee injury and then on my first night back at training, the night before I went away with the Teal Cup, I broke my hand," Komp said.

Footscray

After coming through the Footscray juniors, Komp played under-19s and reserves for Footscray before a serious knee injury struck four months into the season, requiring full reconstruction.

Komp then turned his attention to coaching Parkside juniors and he made a comeback with the Parkside seniors a year later.

He then coached Old Brighton's (a B-grade amateurs side) under-19s and reserves, as well as playing league for them before he travelled overseas and ended up in Perth in time for the 1986 America's Cup defence.



East Perth's Andrew Komp

West Perth won their first game for a month last Saturday and Swans, after looking finals certainties with one loss in series one, have lost seven games in a row.

Unfortunate

South Fremantle lost their fifth straight last weekend and they have the unfortunate luck of facing East Perth this Saturday.

East Fremantle have had an inconsistent season and if they can beat Subiaco and Claremont in the final games, anything can happen to the order of the ladder.

Last Saturday Subiaco won a percentage-booster over Swans at Subiaco, 20.16 (136) to 13.11 (29), and East Perth were narrow winners over Perth, 11.12 (78) to 9.5 (59), at Lathlain Park.

At Claremont Oval, Claremont beat South Fremantle 9.19 (73) to 4.8 (32) and West Perth were 56-point winners over East Fremantle, 16.12 (108) to 8.4 (52).

Carine, Narrogin clash in final



CARINE and Narrogin Senior High Schools will play for the 1989 CIG Shield when they clash at the WACA Ground on Friday night — and one of the teams will become only the third State high school to win the title.

And for the first time since 1986, the Shield will be won by a Government high school after Trinity College won in '87 and Guildford Grammar in '88.

The CIG Shield grand final will be played under lights as a curtain-raiser to the West Coast Eagles vs Geelong match.

Narrogin became the first country side to make the grand final when they beat Northam Districts in the semi-final at Beverley, 10.6 (66) to 8.5 (53). They could win South Fremantle's second title in three years following Hamilton's success in '86.

Carine have the opportunity of becoming Claremont's first CIG Shield

winners after they moved into the grand final by beating Aranmore Catholic College in the semi-final at Leederville Oval.

Carine, who were runners-up to Hamilton in '86 won the semi 8.8 (56) to 2.6 (18) thanks to good performances from centreman Peter Mohen, ruck-rover Creed Wright, Haydn Forde (wing) and Chris Hall at full-back.

A record number of 107 teams started this year's CIG Shield campaign in May, as well as six teams who played a carnival in the North-West.

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AMATEUR NEWS

A roundup of news from the West Australian Amateur Football League

Howard kicks CBC to victory

C.B.C. goalsneak Graeme Howard kicked 14 goals to take his tally for the season past the century mark in Saturday's demolition of bottom side Curtin.

Howard, who plays out of a forward pocket, now has 106 goals for the season.

The win cemented C.B.C.'s place in the top five.

Others to perform for C.B.C. were Rob Reed, Vern Newton and rugged ruckman Nigel Rogers.

Collegians Old Scotch knocked Bayswater out of the five with a huge 18-goal victory which has virtually finished the Blues for the season.

Lions captain-coach Jerome Griffen kicked five goals from centre half-forward while full-forward Dick Pethick kicked six. Mick Fairclough, Mick Bowden and ruckman Chris Souness were also solid contributors.

Maylands also finished Dianella's finals aspirations by defeating the Panthers by six goals.

Ossie Dikolli was best for Maylands, receiving support from Mark Dowling (six goals), Greg Davis, Mark Sheedy and Gary Mawdesley. For the Panthers, Paul Hart, Peter Fare and Kelvin Reynolds played well.

Maylands were again unable to finish with a full side and coupled with news during the week that captain Wayne Naughton, Wayne McKinlay and dynamic centreman Paul Naughton are finished for the year, the Rams could struggle.

In a bruising, affair North Fremantle ran out easy victors by 12 goals over Swan Athletic.

Tony Stewart (five goals), Dave Houston, Rob Looby, Mick Gill and

B-GRADE
by
PETER RUSH



ruck-rover Lucas Jenkins were all good players for the Magpies.

Electrifying Maylands centre-half-back Harley Hayward will go into this year's Medal count as a short-priced favourite to repeat last year's win.

He will receive opposition from fellow Rams in Paul Naughton, runner-up in 1985, and high flying full-back Wayne McKinlay.

C.B.C.'s goalkicking sensation Howard and ruckman Nigel Rogers are top chances while Mick Fairclough and Chris Souness will pick up votes for Collegians Old Scotch.

Darryl Wright (North Fremantle), Max Ford (Cockburn Lakes), Dave Mueller (Bayswater) and Peter Fare (Dianella) will also poll well.

Cockburn Lakes have suddenly become a force to be reckoned with after a convincing 10-goal victory over fifth placed Mt Lawley. The win leaves the Lakers 2% behind Mt Lawley, but this week they have an easier task as they play a beleaguered Dianella, at home, while Mt Lawley face C.B.C.

Cockburn Lakes are finally getting back to full strength after being crippled with injuries early this year.

Good players for them on Saturday were Max Ford, Dave Todd, Peter Juhren, Joe Beresi and Chris Portteli.

This week Bayswater must thrash Athletic and hope Cockburn Lakes and Mt Lawley lose for them to get fifth spot back.

Collegians Old Scotch face North Fremantle in a warm-up for the qualifying final and top side Maylands will beat bottom team Curtin.

Nollamara's start helps them win

THE Nollamara Roos kicked seven goals to two in the first term on their way to a four-point victory over North Beach in Saturday's A-grade.

A-GRADE
by
TREVOR SCHORER



Coach Mick Rea had his side fired up for a big game and the Roos looked brilliant as they moved the ball quickly through Dave Brown, Chris White and Dave Davies.

However, the Tigers were not going to give the game away and ruckmen David Higgins and David Court dominated for the rest of the match.

The Tigers goalkicking experts, Alec Yarran and Paul Bidstrup, produced 11 goals between them and with Mark Decble and Hayward Lewis in form, North got right back into the game.

The last quarter was filled with excitement with Norths leading in the last five minutes, but the Roos came back to goal and snatch victory.

In a game with scenes like a wild west show, Scarborough got over the line by 16 points against Trinity-Aquinas.

The Eagles have been struggling of late and it would have been heartening for coach Darryl Freame to pick up the premiership points, albeit too late in the season.

Best for the Eagles were Bruce, Parker and Beddington, while for Trinity-Aquinas Phil Green, Richard Joyce and Jack Hogan played well.

Uninspiring

Mt Lawley won an uninspiring game against University by 42 points and it was obvious both sides are not the same teams that they were at the start of the season.

Best for the Hawks were Dave Armstrong, Glen Barrett and Andrew Chapman, while Mark Paganin, Aaron Devitt and Prindville were University's best.

Wembley cemented a berth in the elimination final against University with a solid 56-point win over Old Wesley.

One of the big shorteners for the A-grade medal this season has been Mark Maxwell and once again he dominated in this game, running hard all day.

Wembley have had many stalwarts over the years, but one who is still producing in the big games is defender Simon Proud, who realised the importance of this game and played accordingly — brilliantly.

Innaloo put to rest any chance West Coast had of qualifying for the finals with a huge victory.

The Bulldogs have proved that they deserve to stay in A-grade with some excellent performances in the last month, including this one.

FIXTURES	
A-grade	
ROUND NO. 18 — 19 AUGUST	
University vs Innaloo, McGillivray Oval No 1	Trinity/Aquinas vs Old Wesley, E Frem Oval
West Coast vs Nth Beach, City Beach Oval	Mt Lawley vs Nollamara, Perth Oval
Wembley vs Scarborough, Lathlain Oval	
B-grade	
ROUND NO. 18 — 19 AUGUST	
Mt Lawley vs CBC, Inglewood Oval	Col/Old Scotch vs Nth Frem, Dalkeith Oval
Curtin AFC vs Maylands, 5th Oval	Cockburn Lakes vs Dianella, Anning Park
Swan Athletic vs Bayswater, Bdean Oval	

Once again the Uglov brothers showed their ability with faultless displays.

This week University should beat Innaloo; Trinity-Aquinas can bounce back over Old Wesley; North Beach look sure things over West Coast; Wembley will get a hard game from Scarborough, while Nollamara should scrape home in a tight one over Mt Lawley.

Women's league Carlisle look too strong

WITH one qualifying game remaining in the women's football league, Carlisle look set to win the premiership.

Carlisle 14.13 (97) powerfully defeated Innaloo 7.9 (51) to run out 48-point winners last weekend.

Carlisle displayed excellent teamwork and effective application of skills, while Innaloo showed improvement, but lacked in experienced players.

For Carlisle, Janice Woods and Jodie Rubb played consistently, while Innaloo were well represented by April Hames and Lisa Muir.

A comfortable 52-point victory over Curtin University, 11.10 (76) to 2.12 (24), saw Mt Lawley consolidate their grip on second spot.

Mt Lawley received top contributions from Sharon Kersting and Sharmine Lenny, while Linley Taylor and Chris Lenny were best for Curtin University.

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HIGHLIGHTS

D-GRADE:

APPLECROSS must be the most disappointed team in amateurs after their dramatic loss last week at the hands of North Beach No. 2. The Numbats had held third place up till a few weeks ago, but fell out of the final five for the first time at the wrong end of the season.

With only 15 minutes of football left in last week's game, Applecross were in front, but North Beach finished desperately and now make their first finals appearance since 1982.

Best in a rejuvenated Norths side were Mal Kiely, Chris Tsokos, Russell Tindall and Dean Jones. Their clash this week against WACAE should be close but on form WACAE look too good.

F GRADE:

Innaloo were beaten soundly to drop out of the five and Bayswater moved in with an impressive win over Dianella. Bayswater needed a big win to offset the percentages between themselves and the Bulldogs, which they did with a 13-goal winning performance that must now rate them as a premiership prospect. Innaloo aided Bayswater's cause by capitulating to the powerful Old Wesley combination by 10 goals.

West Coast maintained their position at the head of the table to earn a rest this week and wait on the result of the qualifying final clash between Mt Lawley and Old Wesley, which should

see Old Wesley win.

Mt Lawley have failed to impress against weaker opposition and will find the tough Old Wesley side performing at their best, having beaten other finalists Victoria Park and Bayswater soundly in recent weeks.

The elimination final should see Victoria Park defeat Bayswater as the Park side has been solid all year with the two teams' most recent encounter going their way. However, they cannot rest easy as Bayswater's form last weekend suggests that they have found the right combination, which might just cause an upset.

H-GRADE:

NORTH Beach No. 3 won their second game in succession, denying East Fremantle the right to finish sixth in their best season for a number of years. Norths win pleased coach Rod Quayle as it lifted them out of the wooden spooners division.

Best for North Beach were Clint Burn (10 goals from centre-half-forward), Troy McMillan, Danny Sweet and Rick Dowling.

East Fremantle have to find a replacement for one of their driving forces in Gary Wann, who has been transferred in his employment. Under his presidency, the club has moved steadily forward.

Best players for Easts last week were Troy Simon, Paul Rawlings and Glen Dhue.

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AMATEUR PREMIERSHIP TABLES

	P	W	L	F	A	%PTS
A GRADE						
MT LAWLEY	17	13	4	1618	1238	130.81
NOLLAMARA	17	12	5	1726	1442	119.83
NORTH BEACH	17	10	7	1797	1461	123.00
WEMBLEY	17	9	8	1437	1344	106.92
UNIVERSITY	17	9	8	1409	1480	95.21
West Coast	17	7	10	1573	1654	95.10
Old Wesley	17	7	10	1386	1490	91.68
Trinity/Aquinas	17	7	10	1336	1516	88.13
Scarborough	17	7	10	1349	1538	82.36
Innaloo	17	4	13	1313	1645	79.82
B GRADE						
COLL/OLD SCOTCH	17	14	3	2074	1223	169.58
MAYLANDS	17	14	3	2108	1281	164.56
NORTH FREMAN	17	14	3	1874	1180	141.88
CBC	17	9	8	1835	1507	114.90
MT LAWLEY	17	7	10	1386	1617	84.48
Cockburn Lakes	17	7	10	1528	1884	81.10
Bayswater	17	6	11	1289	1604	80.36
Dianella	17	6	11	1211	1850	65.46
Swan Athletic	17	5	12	1391	1675	83.04
Curtin	17	3	14	1152	1717	67.09
C GRADE						
BASSENDEN	18	16	2	2062	1193	172.84
OSBORNE DIST	18	14	4	1739	1422	122.29
CARLISLE	18	13	5	1959	1552	122.29
COOLBIN/YOKINE	18	11	7	1744	1405	124.13
WHITFORD	18	11	7	1587	1417	112.00
Nollamara	18	9	9	1593	1405	113.38
Rockingham	18	5	13	1501	1742	86.17
University	18	5	13	1350	1898	71.93
Lynwood/Ferndale	18	5	13	1171	1739	67.34
Morley	18	1	17	1053	2008	52.44
D GRADE						
WEMBLEY	18	14	4	2079	1053	197.44
SCARBOROUGH	18	13	5	1954	1209	161.82
TRINITY/AQUINAS	18	13	5	1832	1323	138.47
WACAE	18	12	6	1875	1389	120.59
NORTH BEACH	18	11	7	1670	1421	117.52
Applecross	18	10	8	1874	1382	135.60
Melville	18	7	11	1579	1602	98.56
Munding	18	5	13	1361	2007	67.81
Brentwood	18	3	15	962	2253	42.25
Balcatta AICA	18	2	16	1103	2440	45.20
E GRADE						
BULLCREEK	18	17	1	2022	1015	199.21
JOHN XXIII	18	15	3	2191	1255	186.81
HAMERSLEY	18	14	4	1937	1060	182.24

	P	W	L	F	A	%PTS
K GRADE						
SAWYERS VALLEY	18	11	7	1967	1278	153.91
RAI BANK	18	9	9	1643	1742	94.32
St Norberts	18	8	10	1394	1782	79.11
Forrestfield	18	7	11	1406	1535	90.89
Hellenic	18	6	13	1375	1990	89.10
University	18	2	16	1218	2201	55.34
National Bank	18	2	16	933	2208	42.26
F GRADE						
WEST COAST	18	16	2	2254	1033	218.20
MT LAWLEY	18	15	3	1719	1123	153.07
OLD WESLEY	18	11	7	1639	1555	98.97
VICTORIA PARK	18	10	8	1549	1402	110.49
BAYSWATER	18	9	9	1659	1553	106.83
Innaloo	18	9	9	1554	1492	104.16
Dianella	18	6	12	1258	1842	68.54
Nollamara	18	5	13	1433	1774	80.78
Coolbellup	18	5	13	1314	1831	71.76
Osborne Districts	18	3	15	1003	1987	68.45
G GRADE						
WANNEROO	18	15	3	2070	1266	163.51
REDCLIFFE	18	13	5	1885	1267	147.20
GIRRAWHEEN	18	13	5	1912	1268	139.77
COLL/OLD SCOTCH	18	12	6	2013	1254	155.56
NORTH FREMAN	18	12	6	1824	1478	130.18
Navy	18	8	10	1846	1510	122.25
Ocean Ridge	18	7	11	1382	1917	71.05
West Coast	18	5	13	1508	1897	88.86
Swanbourne/Nedlands	17	4	13	1144	1958	58.43
CDC	17	1	16	762	2588	29.44
H GRADE						
RIVERTON	18	15	3	2136	1042	204.99
WEMBLEY	18	14	4	2096	1035	202.51
UNIVERSITY	18	14	4	2193	1090	201.19
BASSENDEN	18	13	5	2144	1344	159.52
MAYLANDS	18	11	7	1657	1349	122.83
Curtin	18	6	12	1198	1485	80.67
East Fremantle	18	6	12	1409	1840	76.58
Whitford	18	5	13	1249	2094	59.65
North Beach	18	3	15	957	2302	41.57
Mt Lawley	18	2	16	940	2289	41.07
I GRADE						
RAAF	18	17	1	2727	890	306.40
SWAN ATHLETIC	18	14	4	2101	1366	154.94
CARLISLE	18	12	6	2405	1063	222.07
BULLCREEK	17	12	6	2389	1112	147.90
SCARBOROUGH	18	10	8	1757	1025	166.54
Trinity/Aquinas	18	8	10	1813	1784	85.77
Lynwood/Ferndale	17	6	11	1244	1800	69.11
North Fremantle	18	5	13	1187	1919	61.86
Osborne District	16	3	13	845	2148	39.34
ANZ	17	-	17	747	2822	26.47

	P	W	L	F	A	%PTS
L GRADE						
MELVILLE	18	14	4	2207	1180	185.77
JOHN XXIII	18	14	4	1971	1347	148.33
GIRRAWHEEN	18	13	5	2466	1381	178.57
NOLLAMARA	18	12	6	2221	1378	161.18
REDCLIFFE	17	12	5	2051	1488	137.84
Brentwood	18	10	8	2131	1271	167.66
Ocean Ridge	16	6	10	1520	1841	82.58
Riverton	18	5	13	1452	1967	73.82
Sawyers Valley	17	2	15	880	2376	36.20
Munding	18	2	15	879	2445	25.52

RESULTS

A GRADE:
Mt Lawley 16.11 b University 9.11
Innaloo 29.15 b West Coast 14.12
Scarborough 13.19 b Trinity Aquinas 12.9
Nollamara 18.15 b North Beach 17.17
Wembley 13.24 b Old Wesley 6.10

B GRADE:
Cockburn Lakes 21.20 b Mt Lawley 11.11
CDC 24.12 b Curtin Uni 7.12
Collegians/Old Scotch 24.14 b Bayswater 8.5
Maylands 19.14 b Dianella 14.12

Century is club record

THE 106-goal effort by C.B.C.'s Graeme Howard was achieved with a club record haul of 14 goals.

Needing just eight goals to reach his 100, Howard displayed all his dazzling skills to pass the magical milestone before half-time.

Howard joined C.B.C. in 1987 after many years with H-grade club East Fremantle and was runner-up twice (1987 and 1988) in the league's B-grade goal-kicking list.

He is the most prolific goalscorer in B-grade this year, if not in the entire League and looks set to beat C.B.C.'s club record of 120 goals set by Jim Miller in 1974.

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Bill Wake's weekly round-up of Sunday League matches.



COUNTRY PREMIERSHIP TABLES



Gosnells Phil Latham marks strongly in front of Mandurah's Stuart Barker

Kwinana face same challenge

KWINANA coach Tony Morley will have to fire his charges up two weeks running for the same challenge when the Knights clash with Mundijong at Thornlie Oval on Sunday in the Metropolitan Football League first semi-final.

Last Sunday Kwinana were 23-point winners over Mundijong Centrals at Medina Oval in the final qualifying fixture.

Inaccurate kicking by Mundijong, especially in the second and third terms, was Centrals undoing. They kicked nine points and six points to add to their tally of three goals for the two quarters.

Mundijong obtained good service from experienced players Ian Williams, Charlie Tendardi and Murray Hansen.

Kwinana's Mark Griffin and Mark Brazier kicked four goals each and Griffin's good skills showed that he is certainly a player of the future.

Resounding win

Pinjarra completed the home and away fixtures with a resounding 93-point victory against Manning at Pinjarra Oval. Young ruckman forward Lee Cox continued his good form with seven majors.

The Tigers will now play Midland in the second semi-final on Sunday week.

Midland, with their massive 198-point win over Mosman Park, moved from third to second place and the double finals chance.

Midland forward Robin Taylor's 11 goals was the highlight of their big win against Mosman Park.

The second semi-final clash of Pinjarra and Midland could be the highlight of the finals series.

Cockburn recorded their second win for 1989 with a seven-point win over Fremantle.

David Narkle's contribution of five goals to the Cockburn tally saw Narkle also record a best-on-ground performance.

Cockburn's strong last quarter saw them snatch victory after being 11 points in arrears at three-quarter time.

Manning, Mosman Park and Cockburn will need to take stock of 1989. As these clubs do not have any teams playing in any grade during the finals, the groundwork must be done early to make them more competitive in 1990.

Tigers clinch finals berth

CANNING virtually made certain of their place in the elimination final by beating Kelmscott by 15 points in a high-standard clash at John Dunn Oval.

The Tigers cannot advance any higher on the premierships ladder and it would not surprise if they rest the likes of Peter Bosustow, Benny Vigona and Kevin Taylor when they play Maddington in the final qualifying game this Sunday.

Canning coach Bosustow is quietly confident his team can make the grand final provided they don't meet Wanneroo in any of the other finals matches.

Forward Dean Johns continued his good form with six goals against the Bulldogs.

Taylor, who played mostly at half-forward, contributed three goals.

The inclusion of veteran wingman Ron Hunter and rugged defender Mal Angel in the line-up also paid dividends for the Tigers.

The loss by Kelmscott, who were most competitive, now means that to secure an elimination final spot the Bulldogs will depend on bottom team Thornlie to beat Willetton at Burrendah and Kelmscott winning against Armadale at Gwynne Park.

Interest will then centre on Thornlie causing an upset against Willetton.

BLUES FADE

WILLETTON again faded out against trendsetters Gosnells with a dismal last half in which they managed just one goal.

This came after their promising start when they led by 22 points at quarter-time and five points at half-time.

Gosnells then slipped into overdrive in the second half to record a 67-point win.

Gosnells player Cameron Knpton relished a stint at full-forward and finished with five goals.

Willetton coach Don Haddow blooded more young players in Mal Karmelich, Jason Walsh, Greg Horsman and Chris Watson.

With Dean Lewis, Ian Millar, Ashton George, Kim Maisey and Brad Thompson returning from injury, the Blues should account for Thornlie.

CLIFFHANGER

SOUTH Perth recorded their fourth win for the season when they beat Mandurah by four points at Forster Park.

The Tigers recovered from being seven points down at the start of the final quarter.

Shane Eramiha continued his good form with another consistent performance and should poll well in the league fairest and best award, the Dr Bowden Medal. Votes will be counted next Thursday.

Scott Nicholson, Kent Schubert, Tony Arandt and Brett Symons all booted two goals for South Perth.

Mandurah forward Steve Schmidt, with five goals, was the leading goalkicker for the Southerners.

COUGARS SLIP

KALAMUNDA maintained their recent good form when they pushed Applecross all the way but went down by 10 points.

The Cougars faltered in the second quarter and this cost them the game.

Metropolitan League

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
PINJARRA	15	14	2	2190	1211	180.842	56
MIDLAND	15	11	5	2103	1204	174.666	44
KWINANA	15	11	5	1988	1336	148.802	44
MUNDIJONG	15	11	5	1892	1345	140.889	44
Fremantle	15	9	7	1432	1516	98.417	36
Manning	15	4	12	1365	1814	84.223	16
Mosman Park	15	2	14	1014	2074	48.891	8
Cockburn	15	2	14	1077	2421	44.486	8

Sunday League

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Pts
GOSNELLS	17	17	-	-	2101	1049	200.286	68
WANNEROO	17	15	2	-	2538	1259	201.589	60
OSBORNE PARK	17	13	4	-	1957	1350	144.963	52
CANNING	17	11	6	-	1913	1626	125.860	44
WILLETTON	17	10	7	-	1533	1516	101.121	40
Applecross	17	10	7	-	1790	1824	98.136	40
Kelmscott	17	9	8	-	1712	1895	101.003	36
Armadale	17	7	10	-	1488	1941	76.662	28
Maddington	17	6	11	-	1717	1709	100.463	24
Kewwick	17	6	11	-	1480	1872	79.080	24
Kalamunda	17	4	13	-	1272	1891	75.222	16
South Perth	17	4	13	-	1216	1904	63.866	16
Mandurah	17	3	13	1	1460	1972	74.037	14
Thornlie	17	2	14	1	1233	2102	58.658	10

Wayne Dover played his best game for 1989 and finished with eight goals from full-forward.

Ric Ellard, Peter Spalding and Paul Hawkins all played well for Kalamunda.

However, a best on ground performance by Hawks wingman/forward Peter Brindley (five goals) swung the game in Applecross's favour.

The Hawks are still outside chances to fill fifth position currently held by Willetton.

However, they need to beat Osborne Park at Balcatta this Sunday and also improve their percentage by recording no less than a ten-goal win — a tall order.

SAINTS CRASH

OSBORNE Park encountered a major hiccup in their 1989 campaign when Wanneroo handed the Saints a 58-point thrashing.

Apart from the third term, Osborne Park were well beaten on their home ground.

The Saints failed to kick a winning total against Wanneroo with a number of their goalkicking players being well held.

Wanneroo forward Steve Hill relished the opportunity of being allowed to roam the forward line and booted seven goals.

Full-forward Tony Fraser, with three goals, moved to 91 goals for the season.

The Roos had many good players with Robbie Saylor, Howie Collings, Ray Butler and Mark Bonomelli all playing well.

The teams will clash again at Gosnells Oval in the qualifying final on Sunday week.

It will be difficult for Osborne Park to reverse last Sunday's result.

DEMONS DELIVER

ARMADALE recorded their seventh win of 1989 with 42 points to spare over Thornlie.

Forward John Watson was again in good touch with five goals.

Watson was well supported by Scotty Wilcox, who contributed three goals.

Thornlie again showed persistence but were outplayed by a more experienced team.

The Demons celebrated their 80th anniversary as a football club in 1989. However, it is 45 years since the club won a league premierships and this trend looks set to continue.

FIXTURES

Sunday Football League

Canning v Maddington, Wyong Oval, Bentley. Armadale v Kelmscott, Gwynne Park, Armadale. Willetton v Thornlie, Willetton Sports Club, Willetton. Kalamunda v Gosnells, Ray Owen Reserve, Leonardi. Osborne Park v Applecross, Bakatta Reserve, Bakatta. Kewwick v South Perth, Mill Park, Kewwick. Wanneroo v Mandurah, Kingsway Sporting Complex, Landsdale.

Metropolitan Football League

First semi-final — Sunday, August 20: Thornlie Oval, Berehaven Avenue, Thornlie. League — 2.15pm — Kwinana v Mundijong. Reserves — noon — Pinjarra v Midland. Colls — 10am — Mundijong v Kwinana.

Sunday Football League — Saturday Competition

Preliminary final — Saturday, 19th August. Canning Sports Club, Wyong Oval, Bentley. 2.00pm — Osborne Park v Willetton.

Central Wheatbelt

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Southern Cross	14	14	0	1982	768	258.1	56
Bacon	14	11	3	2120	829	256.7	44
Beneubulin	14	10	4	1948	1128	172.5	40
Koorada	14	8	6	1475	1318	111.9	32
Mukinbudin	14	5	8	1061	1630	65.1	20
Towns	14	4	10	1052	1521	69.2	16
Kalannie	14	3	11	750	1733	54.2	12
Nungarin	14	1	13	791	2415	32.8	4

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Great Northern

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Towns	16	12	4	1644	1290	127.4	48
Mullewa	17	11	6	1626	1293	131.7	44
Railways	16	10	6	1583	1210	130.8	40
Bridgodes	16	7	9	1633	1556	104.9	28
Rovers	16	7	9	1143	1322	86.4	28
Northampton	16	6	10	1206	1503	80.2	24
CValley	17	4	13	1357	1687	80.4	16

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RAVENSTHORPE

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Ravens, Tigers	13	12	1	1836	818	224.4	48
Lakes	13	7	6	1409	986	142.9	28
Mungilup	13	6	7	1339	1429	93.7	24
Southerners	13	-	13	547	1898	28.8	-

Grays Spraying Service Lake King

Southern Districts League

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Royals	17	12	5	1538	1126	135.99	48
Sth Barker	17	11	6	1998	1283	159.46	44
Nth Albany	17	11	6	1494	1315	113.53	44
Nth Barker	17	9	8	1380	1380	100.00	36
Railways	17	6	12	1429	1761	81.15	20
Denmark	17	3	14	1145	1948	58.78	12

Studio 10

Ongerup

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Newdegate	14	12	2	2228	840	265.2	48
Jerramungup	14	12	2	1634	910	179.5	48
Gnowangerup	14	9	5	1505	1309	114.9	36
Kent	14	8	6	1359	1211	112.2	32
Borden	14	8	6	1039	1524	68.2	24
Pingrup	14	6	8	1093	1723	63.4	24
Ongerup	14	2	12	896	2030	44.1	8
Boxwood Hills	14	1	13	706	1911	36.9	4

Central Midlands

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Rovers	15	14	1	1969	857	229.56	56
Warriors	15	11	4	1837	995	184.44	44
Dalwallinu	15	9	6	1444	1135	127.32	32
Dandaragan	15	8	7	1272	1243	102.32	32
Blind Milling	15	2	13	771	2018	83.8	8
Watheroo	15	1	14	791	1881	42.4	4

Wesfarmers

North Midlands

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Dongara	12	11	1	1621	1097	147.7	44
Three Springs	11	9	2	1201	835	143.8	38
Mingenew	12	7	5	1328	953	139.3	28
Morawa	12	4	7	1072	981	108.2	18
Coorow-Latham	11	8	3	1088	858	124.5	20
Perenjori	12	3	9	877	1465	59.8	12
Carnamah	13	1	12	637	1736	47.6	4

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FORTESCUE

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Tigers	14	12	2	2250	1042	215.93	48
Hill	14	10	4	1836	1270	144.56	40
Saints	14	6	8	1201	1282	93.68	24
Demons	14	6	8	1206	1409	85.59	24
Towns	14	4	10	1191	1544	77.13	16
Centrals	14	4	10	1128	1875	60.16	16

Goldfields

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Boulder	16	12	4	1987	1337	148.6	48
Kambalda	15	12	3	1897	1281	147.3	48
Railways	16	9	6	1966	1277	153.9	36
Falgoutie	16	4	12	1317	1834	80.99	16
Mines	15	1	14	978	2141	45.67	4

AUTO VILLA TOYOTA

Collie topple S-W leaders

COLLIE bounced right back into South-West premiership calculations when they downed league leaders Harvey-Brunswick by 31 points at Collie on Sunday.

The Saints celebrated the 200th game of captain Greg O'Brien in fine style and inflicted only the second defeat on the Lions, 14.13 (97) to 9.12 (66).

Collie started smartly and led 10.6 to 3.2 at half-time, a match-winning lead that proved impossible to bridge.

Collie's Gerard Graham was best-on-ground at centre-half-forward and he was backed up by Peter Slater, Shaun Turley and O'Brien. Best for Harvey-Brunswick were Dom Trimboli, Adam Shine and Andrew Host.

Finals hope

Carey Park kept their finals hopes alive when they downed Busselton by 22 points — but they still trail Bunbury, who notched a fighting victory over Donnybrook.

The Panthers kicked 20.7 (127) to beat Busselton 15.15 (105) in a tight game that was even till half-time.

Busselton lost touch with Carey Park in the first five minutes of the third term when brilliant forward Kerut Thorne kicked three quick goals and went on to finish with 10 for the game.

Thorne was Carey Park's best, supported by Steven Stewart and Malcolm Cooke, while Charlie Maiola, Rodney Griffiths and Blair Carter did well for the Magpies.

Bunbury's 34-point win at Donnybrook was a backs-to-the-wall effort as they had to beat the third-placed Dons to avoid slipping out of the five.

Top sides show strength

THE top three sides in the Southern Districts league showed their all-round strength with good wins on Sunday.

South Barker, led by Keith Punch with eight goals, posted the most impressive victory, beating Railways 29.20 (194) to 7.9 (51).

Kelvin Hardy, Steven Hooper and Jamie Back also played well for South Barker, with Bert Thorn and Winston Williams grabbing four goals each.

Railways were well served by Colin Pearson, Craig Bevan and Wayne Shearer.

Royals kept their top spot safe with a hard-earned win over bottom side Denmark, 11.14 (80) to 3.12 (30).

Larry Dwyer kicked three goals and good players were Don Nesbit, Michael Long and Shaun Colbung. Best for Denmark were Jeff Simpson, Rod Woods and David Myles.

North Albany won the toughest battle of the day, beating fourth-placed North Barker 11.16 (82) to 8.10 (58).

Murray Wynne kicked three goals and good players were Ray Mountford, Darren James and Gavin Boyce for North Albany and Ian Higgins, Anton Pickles and Ken Hunt for North Barker.

South West League

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Harvey-Brun	17	15	2	2405	983	244.8	60
Collie	17	12	5	1864	1523	121.5	48
S. Bunbury	17	11	6	2048	1522	134.5	44
Donnybrook	17	11	6	1538	1626	94.5	44
Bunbury	17	9	8	1813	1441	125.8	36
Carey Park	17	9	8	1898	1761	107.7	36
Bny-Capel-Dard	17	8	9	1661	1850	89.7	32
Mines Rovers	17	6	11	1576	2060	76.5	24
Busselton	17	4	13	1236	1971	62.7	16
Aug-Marg River	17	-	17	1040	2331	44.6	-

DEVAUGH

Shane Taylor was best-on-ground and gave Bunbury a winning edge, supported by Wayne Davis and Kevin Bassett. Best for Donnybrook were Darren Atherton, Andrew Frontino and Allan Howlett.

Percentage

South Bunbury gave their percentage a huge boost and displaced Donnybrook from third spot on the table with their 23.19 (157) to 5.5 (35) thrashing of Mines Rovers.

Led by Peter Old with six goals, Souths looked most impressive and set up a great clash with Harvey-Brunswick this Sunday.

Other good players were Mark Valli and Ross MacKenzie, while Mark Rowe, Paul Barrett and Peter Rowe did well for Mines.

The experience of imported East Perth players proved too good when Boyanup-Capel-Dardanup finished strongly to beat a plucky Augusta Margaret River by 11 points.

AMR, without a win this season, showed that their home-grown players can improve next year as they went down fighting 18.12 (120) to 17.7 (109).

Former Royals star Mark Blakely was best-on-ground and was backed up by other East Perth recruits, John Western, Jamie Ninnyett and Darren Best. Good players for AMR were Dean Hick, Lionel Wrigglesworth and Wayne Coffey.

Dampier take over at top

DAMPIER moved to the top of the North Pilbara premiership table with an impressive 32-point victory over previous league leaders Karratha Kats on Sunday.

Dampier won 14.11 (95) to 8.15 (63) and headed the table comfortable on percentage, with both sides having lost only three games from the 14 contested this season.

Rovers confirmed their right to third place with a crushing 10-goal victory over South Hedland, 23.20 (158) to 13.19 (97).

Falcons kept Wickham win-less with their 19.11 (125) to 14.9 (93) victory.

North Pilbara League

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Dampier	14	11	3	1406	1018	138.11	44
Karratha	14	11	3	1448	1095	132.24	44
Rovers	14	10	4	1688	1282	132.15	40
Stn Hedland	14	5	9	1354	1473	91.92	20
Falcons	14	5	9	1066	1292	82.51	20
Wickham	14	0	14	1037	1717	60.40	0

Swan Gold

Saints come marching home

CENTRAL Midlands side Dandaragan go into Sunday's first semi-final clash with Dalwallinu in top form after a crushing 128-point win over Bindi-Miling to wind up their qualifying games last week.

The top three sides all won their final games and only fourth-placed Dalwallinu (who went down to top side Rovers) are unhappy about their finals build-up.

Cam Brown was the player-of-the-match as the Dandy Saints thrashed Bindi-Miling 22.32 (164) to 5.6 (36), producing an eight goal to nil last term.

Rovers, led by Russ Wyatt, were too strong for Dalwallinu, winning 13.20 (98) to 6.11 (47).

Warriors warmed up for their second semi-final in a fortnight's time by beating Watheroo 18.21 (129) to 7.8 (50).

The Dalwallinu Bulldogs have been convincing winners over Dandaragan in their three qualifying games, but they have been hard-hit by injuries and a rejuvenated Saints could reverse those results.

Rovers forward Ian Wyatt finished on top of the goalkicking ladder with 47 majors, just two ahead of Frank Narrier, who posted seven for Warriors last Sunday to finish with a rush.

Humour as vets shape up again

THE humour started well before the first bouncedown when a veterans carnival was held at Kojonup featuring teams from Katanning and Collie.

The Collie team was sadly depleted when the car carrying five players got lost on the way to Kojonup, but the carnival finished up running smoothly.

Kojonup's veterans downed the Katanning side in one game; had a comfortable win over Collie in the next and then the Miners beat Katanning in the final game.

Top players-of-the-past who featured prominently were Jeff Slater (Collie), Mick Allan (Katanning) and Peter Collins (Kojonup).

Marg. River take Super Rules clash

A STRONG side from Margaret River won a six-team Super Rules carnival at Collie recently.

Played on a round-robin basis, the best game of the day saw Margaret River beat Collie by one point, 3.7 to 3.6.

Other games saw Collie beat Wickepin 6.12 to 2.3; Margaret River beat Wagin 12.8 to 3.6; Busselton downed Manjimup 5.22 to 1.3 and Wickepin 6.5 to 2.6 and Wagin easily accounted for Manjimup 10.12 to 2.5.

Klein turns it around

TWELVE months can be a life-time in football...and Geraldton player Peter Klein vouches for that.

Klein was a star for Great Northern's Carnival-winning side, playing on a half-back flank — the position that he filled at last year's carnival, but with little success.

In fact, last year's coach Gary McCormack (replaced by Rob Houwen this season) came under fire for playing people like Klein out of position at the 1988 championships.

A year down the track and Klein is one of Great Northern's best half-backs!

Defeat had sour taste

SOUTH West officials are still lamenting a bout of food poisoning that cost them dearly in this year's Wesfarmers carnival.

The South West side went down to Great Northern in the final, 14.13 to 12.5 but were sadly under-manned.

After two big qualifying game victories, South-West lost Brad Keivil and Jamie Ninnyett for the grand final and had a number of other players well below top condition; all with stomach ailments.

Draw only confuses finals battle

THE battle for fifth spot in the Upper Great Southern League is no closer to being resolved after the contenders for the last spot in the finals, Wagin and Towns, fought out a thrilling draw on Sunday.

Wagin, who had led for most of the day, couldn't hold off the fast finishing, but inaccurate, Towns, kicked and drew 15.9 to 14.15.

Towns defender Harvey Webb and giant forward Lindsey Borthwick were best, along with Nathan Hayden (four goals) and Jim Adamson (three goals).

Earnie Sprigg, of Wagin, turned in a best-on ground performance, ably assisted by Gavin Bolt, while Brett Bilston and Murray Gmiener each bagged three majors.

Lake Grace (12.16) frightened the life out of premiership contenders Williams (16.11) before going down by 17 points in a hard-fought game.

Centremen Rodney Petchell was best for Williams despite the fact that his immediate opponent, Noel Birstow, was best for his side.

Others to show out for the winners were Mark Bradley, Anthony Dowling (five goals) and David Kain (three goals).

Wingman Wes Mason and Geoff Miller (three goals) were strong contributors for Lake Grace, while the competition's leading goalkicker, Rodney Walker, continued his good form with five goals.

Top spot

Boddington (23.26) moved back into top position when they annihilated a disappointing Pingelly (11.10).

Centremen Gary Winterton (three goals) led the way, together with youngster Michael Sherry, Terry Salmeri and David Allbury, each with four goals.

Pingelly veteran Athol Jedda tried hard as did Michael Davidson, while Brett Blechynden (four goals) and Darren Lunney (four goals) made the most of limited opportunities.

Wickepin (20.4) increased their percentage by easily accounting for West Arthur (7.12).

Terry Norrish and David Bennier were best for Wickepin, while Tim Melvin (five goals) and Greg Snow (three goals) were dangerous in the forward line for the losers only Mark Wunnenberg and Wayne Duffield were worthy of mention.

Upper Great Southern League

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Pts
Boddington	14	12	2	-	1756	1062	165.34	48
Railways	14	12	2	-	1490	1179	123.83	48
Wickepin	15	10	5	-	1516	1275	118.90	40
Williams	14	9	5	-	1434	1096	130.83	36
Towns	15	8	6	1	1348	1392	96.83	34
Wagin	14	7	6	-	1370	1257	108.98	30
Pingelly	14	3	11	-	1306	1520	85.92	12
Lake Grace	14	1	13	-	1196	1741	68.12	4
West Arthur	14	1	13	-	997	1850	53.89	4

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SERIES TWO

ROUND 8

Saturday 27 May

Claremont 9.7, Subiaco 12.19, Claremont.
East Perth 8.13, East Fremantle 14.29, WACA.
Perth 11.13, Swan Districts 24.10, Lathlain.
South Frem. 6.11, West Perth 12.15, Frem.

ROUND 9

Saturday 3 June

West Perth 12.19, Claremont 27.9, Leederville.
Subiaco 13.14, Perth 14.12, Subiaco.

Sunday 4 June

East Perth 15.15, Swan Dist 12.13, Damper.

Monday 5 June

East Frem 21.14, South Frem 20.15, East Frem.

ROUND 10

Saturday 10 June

Swan Districts 13.18, Claremont 22.12, Bassen.
Perth 12.10, East Fremantle 17.13, Lathlain.
East Perth 15.16, West Perth 14.16, WACA.
South Frem. 16.15, Subiaco 7.9, Frem.

ROUND 11

Saturday 11 June

Claremont 21.11, E. Perth 17.13, Claremont.
Perth 11.10, Sth Frem 18.18, Lathlain.
Subiaco 8.16, W. Perth 14.21, Subiaco.
E. Frem 20.16, Swan Dist 16.10, E. Frem

ROUND 12

Saturday 24 June

Sth Frem 16.13, Claremont 11.4, Frem
W. Perth 15.13, East Frem 23.13, East Frem
East Perth 17.16, Perth 19.8, WACA.
Swan Dist 14.17, Subiaco 14.11, Bass

ROUND 13

Saturday 1 July

Perth 12.8, Claremont 16.13, Lathlain
E. Frem 15.12, Subiaco 14.14, East Frem
E. Perth 11.11, S. Frem 19.16, WACA
Swan Dist 18.12, W. Perth 15.11, Bass

ROUND 14

Saturday 8 July

Claremont 16.13, East Frem 11.17, Claremont.
Subiaco 22.17, East Perth 13.6, Subiaco.
West Perth 17.18, Perth 16.11, Leederville.
South Frem 14.10, Swan Dist 14.7 Frem.

SERIES THREE

ROUND 15

Saturday 15 July

Subiaco 15.12, Claremont 11.16, Subiaco.
East Frem 20.19, East Perth 12.12, East Frem.
Perth 22.6, Swan Districts 9.9, Lathlain.
West Perth 11.14, South Frem 13.16, Leed.

ROUND 16

Saturday 22 July

Claremont 18.15, West Perth 3.12, Claremont.
South Frem 14.15, East Frem 20.6, Fremantle.
Swan Dist 21.13, East Perth 12.14, Bassendean.
Perth 18.19, Subiaco 14.16, Lathlain.

ROUND 17

Saturday 29 July

Claremont 13.12, Swan Dist 9.15, Claremont.
East Frem 27.15, Perth 3.11, East Frem.
East Perth 8.14, West Perth 16.10, WACA.
Subiaco 12.9, South Frem 13.14, Subiaco.

ROUND 18

Saturday 5 August

East Perth 17.14, Claremont 10.17, WACA.
S. Frem 20.8, Perth 13.5, Fremantle.
West Perth 18.11, Subiaco 13.10, Leederville.
S. Dist. 12.10, E. Frem. 14.21, Bassendean.

ROUND 19

Saturday 12 August

Claremont 16.8, South Frem 12.11, Claremont.
East Frem 16.19, West Perth 20.10, East Frem.
Perth 16.20, East Perth 12.14, Lathlain Park.
Subiaco 15.10, Swan Dist 23.26, Subiaco.

ROUND 20

Saturday 19 August

Claremont vs Perth Claremont
Subiaco vs East Frem Subiaco
South Frem vs East Perth Fremantle
West Perth vs Swan Dist. Leederville

ROUND 21

Saturday 26 August

East Frem. vs Claremont East Frem.
East Perth vs Subiaco WACA
West Perth vs Perth Leederville
Swan Dist. vs South Frem Bassendean

SGIO PREMIERSHIP FINALS

Sat 2 Sept 1st Semi Final Subiaco
Sat 9 Sept 2nd Semi Final Subiaco
Sat 16 Sept Preliminary Final Subiaco
Sat 23 Sept Grand Final Subiaco

SERIES ONE

ROUND 1

Saturday 8 April

Subiaco 5.14, Claremont 17.11, Subiaco
East Frem 23.17, East Perth 9.10, East Frem
Swan Dist 23.8, Perth 16.9, Bassendean
West Perth 13.12, South Frem 19.19, L'ville

ROUND 2

Saturday 15 April

Claremont 15.23, West Perth 10.11, Claremont
South Frem 16.19, East Frem 13.17, Fremantle
East Perth 10.11, Swan Dist 17.16, WACA
Perth 9.14, Subiaco 15.17, Lathlain.

ROUND 3

Saturday 22 April

Claremont 19.24, Swan Dist 14.8, Claremont
East Frem 27.27, Perth 13.19, Kelmscott
West Perth 18.15, East Perth 14.15, Leederville

Sunday 23 April

Subiaco 16.15, South Frem 17.15, Kalgoorlie

ROUND 4

Saturday 29 April

East Perth 5.17, Claremont 19.26, WACA.
South Fremantle 14.13, Perth 9.9, Fremantle.
Subiaco 10.13, West Perth 18.15, Wanneroo.
Swan Dist. 17.12, East Frem. 13.14, Bassendean.

ROUND 5

Saturday 6 May

Claremont 17.18, South Frem 15.10, Albany
East Frem 19.14, West Perth 14.19, East Frem
Perth 22.17, East Perth 11.8, Lathlain Park
Swan Dist 18.17, Subiaco 16.13, Bassendean Oval

ROUND 6

Saturday 13 May

S. Frem. 18.18, East Perth 11.12, Fremantle.
Claremont 18.25, Perth 18.10, Claremont.
Subiaco 18.14, East Frem. 16.14, Subiaco.
W. Perth 15.24, Swan Dist. 17.13, Leederville.

STATE OF ORIGIN

Tuesday 16 May 6.30pm

Vic 19.12, WA 10.12, WACA.

ROUND 7

Saturday 20 May

East Frem 4.11, Claremont 10.18, East Frem.
East Perth 12.12, Subiaco 11.13, WACA.
Perth 9.20, West Perth 15.20, Lathlain Park.
Swan Dist. 12.15, South Frem. 17.10, Bassen.



VICTORIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE

ROUND 1

Friday 31 March

W Coast 14.12, Essendon 17.10 (W)

Saturday 1 April

Cwood 13.15, Hawthorn 11.17 (P)
Carlton 10.13, Footscray 19.18
Melbourn 18.8, Fitzroy 16.15
St Kilda 21.16, Brisbane 15.7

Sunday 2 April

Sydney 12.17, Richmond 11.7
North Melb 18.17, Geelong 17.21

ROUND 2

Saturday 8 April

North Melb 11.6, Hawth 21.15 (P)
Richmond 24.12, Footscray 13.10
Fitzroy 20.12, Collingwood 16.11
St. Kilda 13.18, Carlton 13.14
Essendon 14.10, Melbourne 9.14

Sunday 9 April

Brisbane 18.15, Sydney 8.17
Geelong 26.19, West Coast 11.14

ROUND 3

Saturday 15 April

St Kilda 19.8, Fitzroy 19.18 (P)
Hawthorn 20.16, Essendon 13.13
Collingwood 19.21, Bears 11.9
Footscray 8.18, Nth Melb 12.12
Richmond 8.13, Melb 18.14

Sunday 16 April

Sydney 20.15, West Coast 11.17
Geelong 16.21, Carlton 9.10

ROUND 4

Friday 21 April

Melbourne 11.13, Brisbane 14.11

Saturday 22 April

Collingwood 23.21, St Kilda 14.11
Fitzroy 11.13, Sydney 23.15

Sunday 23 April

West Coast 10.12, North Melb 18.7
Footscray 12.15, Geelong 14.13

Tuesday 25 April - Anzac Day

Richmond 9.12, Hawthorn 15.20,
Carlton 15.20, Essendon 21.12.

ROUND 5

Saturday 29 April

Hawthorn 18.17, Carlton 10.11 (P)
Melbourne 11.16, Footscray 10.11,
Fitzroy 16.17, Geelong 16.16,
Essendon 20.18, St Kilda 12.12.

Sunday 30 April

Nth Melb 20.14, Richmond 26.15,
Sydney 19.17, Collingwood 9.12,
Bears 10.13, West Coast 19.11.

ROUND 6

Friday 5 May

West Coast 12.9, Fitzroy 12.17, WACA.

Saturday 6 May

Carlton 15.12, Richmond 9.12, VFL Park.
Melbourne 9.10, Collingwood 18.16, MCG
Hawthorn 26.15, Geelong 25.13, Princes Park
St Kilda 13.17, Sydney Swans 9.13, Moorabbin

Sunday 7 May

Brisbane 8.11, Footscray 6.15, Carrara
N. Melbourne 17.19, Essendon 15.9, MCG

ROUND 7

Friday 12 May

Sydney 7.16, North Melb. 9.13.

Saturday 13 May

Richmond 13.14, West Coast 13.12,
Melbourne 12.14, Carlton 11.14,
Collingwood 16.10, Footscray 11.12,
Hawthorn 23.15, Fitzroy 13.6,
Geelong 35.18, St Kilda 16.13.

Sunday 14 May

Brisbane 12.9, Essendon 17.10,

STATE OF ORIGIN

Tuesday 16 May 6.30pm
Vic 19.12, WA 10.12, WACA.

ROUND 8

Saturday 20 May

Carlton 12.8, Collingwood 16.13,
St Kilda 18.7, North Melb. 17.10,
Footscray 8.16, Fitzroy 9.9,
Hawthorn 22.25, Sydney 12.11,
Essendon 21.19, Richmond 12.15,
Geelong 26.23, Brisbane 6.14

Sunday 21 May

Eagles 12.21, Melbourne 13.17

ROUND 9

Saturday 27 May

Essendon 19.11, Collingwood 7.16,
Richmond 10.17, Geelong 32.19,
Carlton 24.15, Fitzroy 18.14,
St Kilda 18.10, Eagles 12.11,
Brisbane 10.11, North Melb. 25.15.

Sunday 28 May

Sydney 6.7, Melbourne 6.16,
Footscray 10.13, Hawthorn 17.15.

ROUND 10

Friday 2 June

N. Melbourne 12.11, Melbourne 16.17.

Saturday 3 June

St Kilda 13.21, Richmond 13.14,
Footscray 14.14, Sydney Swans 10.6,
Essendon 18.14, Fitzroy 10.9,
Collingwood 13.10, Geelong 23.16,
Carlton 17.13, Brisbane Bears 18.10.

Sunday 4 June

Eagles 15.15, Hawthorn 15.14, Subiaco

ROUND 11

Friday 9 June

Sydney 8.9, Carlton, 12.13

Saturday 10 June

Footscray 9.8, St Kilda 7.12,
Fitzroy 1.8, North Melb. 6.13,
Essendon 20.18, St Kilda 12.12.

Sunday 11 June

Eagles 11.15, Collid. 17.14.

Monday 12 June

Hawthorn 8.6, Melb. 10.9,
Richmond 5.15, Brisbane 3.8,
Geelong 12.17, Essen. 4.11.

ROUND 12

Friday 16 June

Eagles 16.9, Fools 11.11, WACA

Saturday 17 June

Collid 18.15, Rmond 9.15,
St Kilda 8.8, Hthorn 10.12,
Melb 2.8, Geelong 13.11,
Carlton 7.9, N Melb 5.10,
Essdn 7.8, Syd Swans 7.15.

Sunday 18 June

Bris 18.6, Fitzroy 19.14.

ROUND 13

Friday 23 June

Hthorn 15.16, Bris. Bears 4.11

Saturday 24 June

Fitzroy 15.5, Rmond 9.13,
Melb. 10.4, St. Kilda 8.8,
Cwood 14.24, Nth Melb. 8.8,
Essendon 3.10, Footscray 3.5,
Carlton 9.10, Eagles 5.11

Sunday 25 June

Sydney 14.19, Geelong 16.15

STATE OF ORIGIN

Saturday 1 July
Victoria 22.17, S. Australia 9.9

Round 14

Friday 7 July

North Melb. 18.19, St Kilda 9.13

Saturday 8th July

Essendon 9.7, Carlton 8.10,
Hthorn 19.27, West Coast 6.14,
Richmond 10.14, Sydney 7.8,
Geelong 11.16, Fitzroy 8.10

Sunday 9 July

Brisbane 14.8, Melbourne 20.4,
Footscray 15.15, Collingwood 7.15

Round 15

Saturday 15 July

Collingwood 12.8, Carlton 15.6,
Melb. 17.15, North Melb. 11.15,
Fitzroy 12.20, St Kilda 13.8,
Essendon 25.10, West Coast 1.12,
Brisbane 11.11, Geelong 22.19

Sunday 16 July

Sydney 16.21, Footscray 10.17,
Richmond 15.14, Hawthorn 22.10

Round 16

Saturday 22 July

Geelong 17.7, Melbourne 16.16,
Richmond 9.12, Essendon 14.15,
Hawthorn 21.11, Collingwood 11.11,
Footscray 6.10, Carlton 6.10,
Brisbane 14.10, St Kilda 12.18

Sunday 23 July

West Coast 16.16, Sydney 9.15,
North Melbourne 8.18, Fitzroy 16.11

Round 17

Friday 28 July

Richmond 6.15, Fitzroy 18.15

Saturday 29 July

N. Melb. 9.14, Hawthorn 23.16,
Geelong 14.20, Collingwood 19.11,
St Kilda 16.10, Essendon 20.13,
Carlton 15.6, Melbourne 10.19

Sunday 30 July

Sydney 12.23, Brisbane 9.16,
Footscray 10.12, West Coast 16.13

ROUND 18

Friday 4 August

North Melbourne 12.12, Brisbane 25.17,
Saturday 5 August
Carlton 14.6, Hawthorn 14.11,
Collingwood 11.15, Sydney 12.13,
Fitzroy 23.13, Melbourne 15.13,
St Kilda 13.12, Geelong 17.11



Members of the Cometti All-Stars for '89 (from left) Hawthorn's great rover John Platten, Essendon's record breaking ruckman Simon Madden and Eagles star wingman Chris Mainwaring.

MEET MY ALL-STARS

OKAY, get out those green, red and white jumpers...it's time to announce the all-Cometti team for 1989.

Based on performances this season here's a combination that could beat England at cricket, the Illawarra Hawks at basketball and the Federal Cabinet at golf.

And if that's not enough, they would polish off a combined Martian side later the same day.

Merv Neagle, Gary Pert and Gary Ayres would be the backs.

The half-backs ... Guy McKenna, Paul Roos and Gary Ablett.

Across the centre it would read, Mark Bairstow, Greg Williams and Chris Mainwaring.

Half-forwards ... Gary Lyon, Steve Kernahan and Tony Hall.

The full-forward line ... Tony Lockett, Jason Dunstall and Tony Antrobus.

The first ruck ... Simon Madden, Tim Watson and John Platten with the interchange players Paul Couch and Andrew Bews.

Obviously a few explanations are required.

Criterion

First, Tony Hall, Gary Lyon, Tony Lockett and Tony Antrobus are currently sidelined by injury but if the criterion is performance during the season, all four deserve their selection.

By contrast, and though he played earlier in the year, Gerard Healy was unable to

reach the heights of his past few seasons.

Pert has really impressed me in recent weeks, and just noses out Chris Langford, while Neagle slots in alongside him.

Both these players have overcome serious knee injuries to return as key defensive players at Fitzroy and Sydney.

Alan Johnson, Andrew Collins and Bews would also be worthy occupants of the back pocket.

Ablett, on a half-back flank? Well, Geelong did it.

Bairstow, on a wing? Well, Geelong do it.

Up forward Dunstall and Lockett teamed successfully for Victoria against South Australia, so why not?

Tony Antrobus is a borderline selection but he's an exciting player and a real key to Essendon's premiership claims.

If he can recapture his early season form the Bombers are a definite threat.

Apologies to Collingwood, North Melbourne, Footscray, Richmond and Brisbane, but no representation this year.

Guy McKenna and Chris Mainwaring deserve recognition for their efforts in a losing Eagles cause this season and John Worsfold, despite a nagging injury, wasn't far away.

I left him out because the all-Cometti team needs only one vice-captain.

I was tempted to include Dermott Brereton and Richard Osborne who, together with Ablett, Lockett, Dunstall and Osborne.

Can you imagine those Martian antennas twitching when they're confronted by a forward six of Brereton, Kernahan, Ablett, Lockett, Dunstall and Osborne.

Well, even if the Martians don't play, our training sessions and discos would be fun.

**A team
 for all
 seasons**

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