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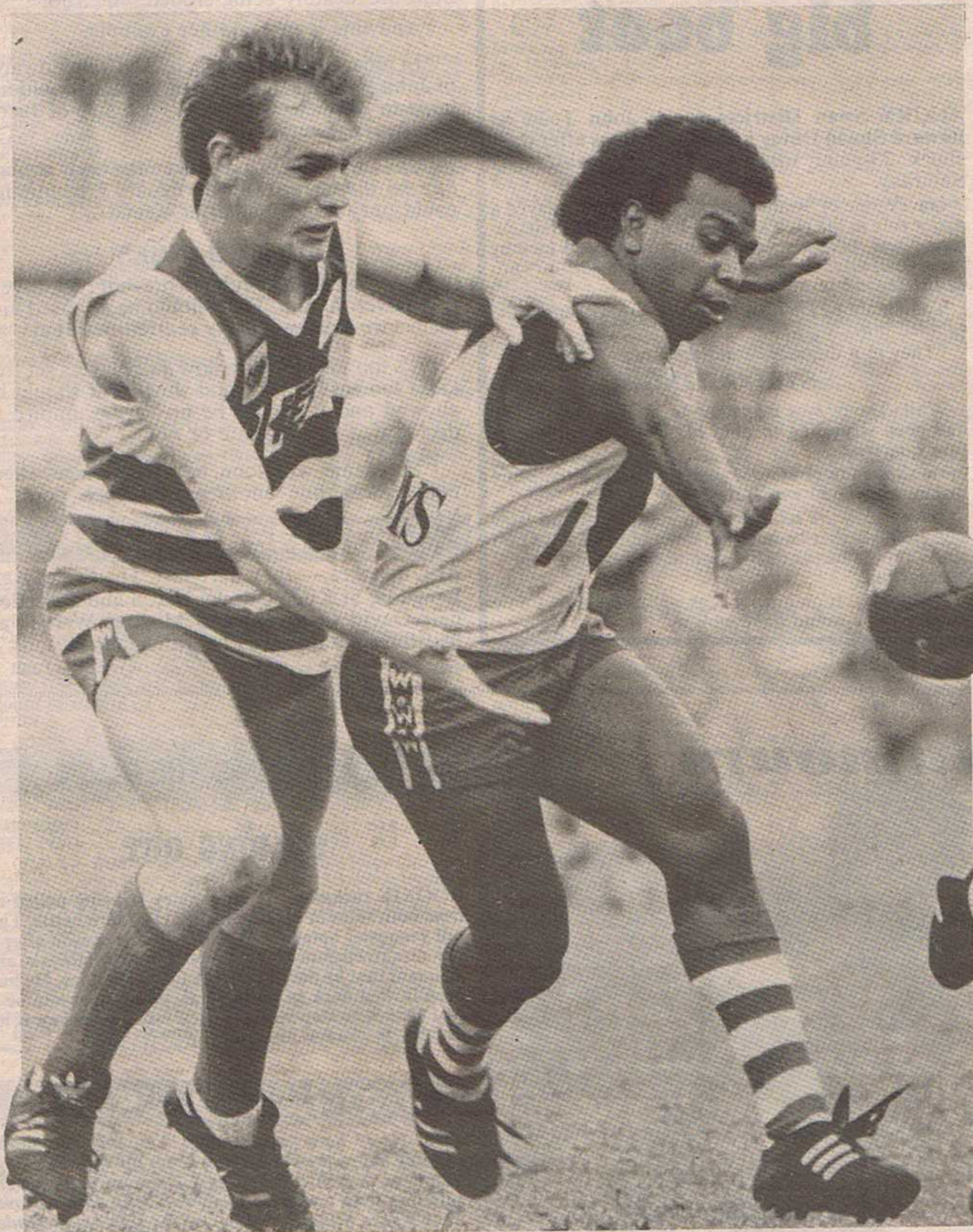
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DERBY GAMBLE

by George Temple



EAST Fremantle will gamble heavily in their bid to win Saturday's crucial derby clash with South Fremantle and resurrect their football spirit.

The shattered Sharks are at home for the big match — and rookie coach Ron Wilcox will consider rushing Darwin recruit Greg Hodson and maybe lanky Clinton Wolf into the side.

The barrier in front of East Fremantle is the formidable Bulldogs big-man department, with Sandover Medallist Craig Edwards certain to be partnered by West Coast Eagle rookie Dean Irving. The unknown Hodson arrived in Perth only last week after playing an integral part in St Mary's winning the Northern Territory Football League grand final.

BADLY EXPOSED

Last week the Sharks were badly exposed in the big-man department by Swan Districts, who used inexperienced 19-year-old Travis Edmonds as their No. 1 ruckman.

The rugged 195cm, 95kg Hodson would provide coach Wilcox with some manpower to combat the Bulldogs ruck brigade and he hasn't ruled out a return to league action for Wolf — sidelined with a leg injury.

"I don't know what the composition of our team will be," Wilcox says.

"It's the balance on the day that's important. But it looks as though Hodson could play, while Wolf is a bit more of an outsider.

"I'm confident we can bounce back and win this derby."

BULLDOG CONFIDENT

His opposite number, Souths coach Stan Magro, is in the same confident frame of mind.

No-nonsense Magro, who says the form of Edwards is improving, has even taken the unusual step of giving his players Good Friday off from training.

"We could lose Stevan Jackson, Scott Watters and Peter Matera to the West Coast Eagles for this match, but we're still quietly confident of winning."

INSIDE:

IT'S the big Fremantle derby and Westside Football is in a prize-giving mood. In conjunction with East Fremantle, we are giving Derby fans a chance to win a \$250 gent's or lady's bicycle...plus a host of other prizes. Turn to page four for Westside Football's Footy Bonanza Give-Away coupon and make sure you drop it into the barrel at East Fremantle Oval. The Sharks will also give every spectator a free ticket as they enter the ground, giving you a second chance at taking home a bicycle.

AND turn to page eight for an in-depth chat with a Fremantle legend... MAURICE RIOLI. KNOW YOUR CLUBS...this week we look at the new faces in the camps at East Perth, Perth, Claremont and South Fremantle.

Picture by: JULIAN COWAN

IT'S derby-time in Fremantle and both camps have been priming themselves for Saturday's big event...and David Rowe (left) and Willie Rioli are no exception. South bounced back to winning form at the expense of Perth last weekend and are in a mean and confident mood. East Fremantle are out to atone for their shock loss at Bassendean Oval and will not hand over their mantle as Kings of the Port readily. Form and talent on paper points to a Bulldogs win, but in these clashes neither of those factors usually have much bearing, as both sides fight tooth and nail for pride and the four premiership points.

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RUCK RULE MUST GO!

THE re-introduced rule relating to the line across the centre square for ruckmen must be thrown out again.

That's the claim from West Australian State coach Ron Alexander and his chairman of selectors, Mal Brown, supporting criticism of the rule by Sandover Medallist Craig Edwards in Westside Football last week.

Both former ruckmen at the highest level, Al-

by George Temple

exander and Brown said it was another retrograde step for the game which they say is now more like basketball than football.

Edwards suggested that the man-on-man contests for ruckmen was being taken out of the game.

In a move to ratify laws across the nation, ruckmen have to stand in their defensive half when contesting at centre bounce downs — a situation which Edwards, Alexander and Brown all agree gives too much advantage to the taller ruckmen.

"I was opposed to the law when the VFL introduced it in the early 1980s," Alexander said.

"If you're getting beaten by a taller opponent, there's nothing you can do to change it. You've just got to keep leaping and losing."

Brown was more scathing.

"The very principles on which the game was built are steadily being eroded," he said.

"And this is just another example.

"In today's game, ruckmen like Craig Edwards or John Nicholls (formerly of Carlton) could not hope to compete with blokes the size of Justin Madden or Laurie Keene.

"The rule-makers have taken the body contact out, so there's no way the blokes I mentioned could out jump Madden or Keene.

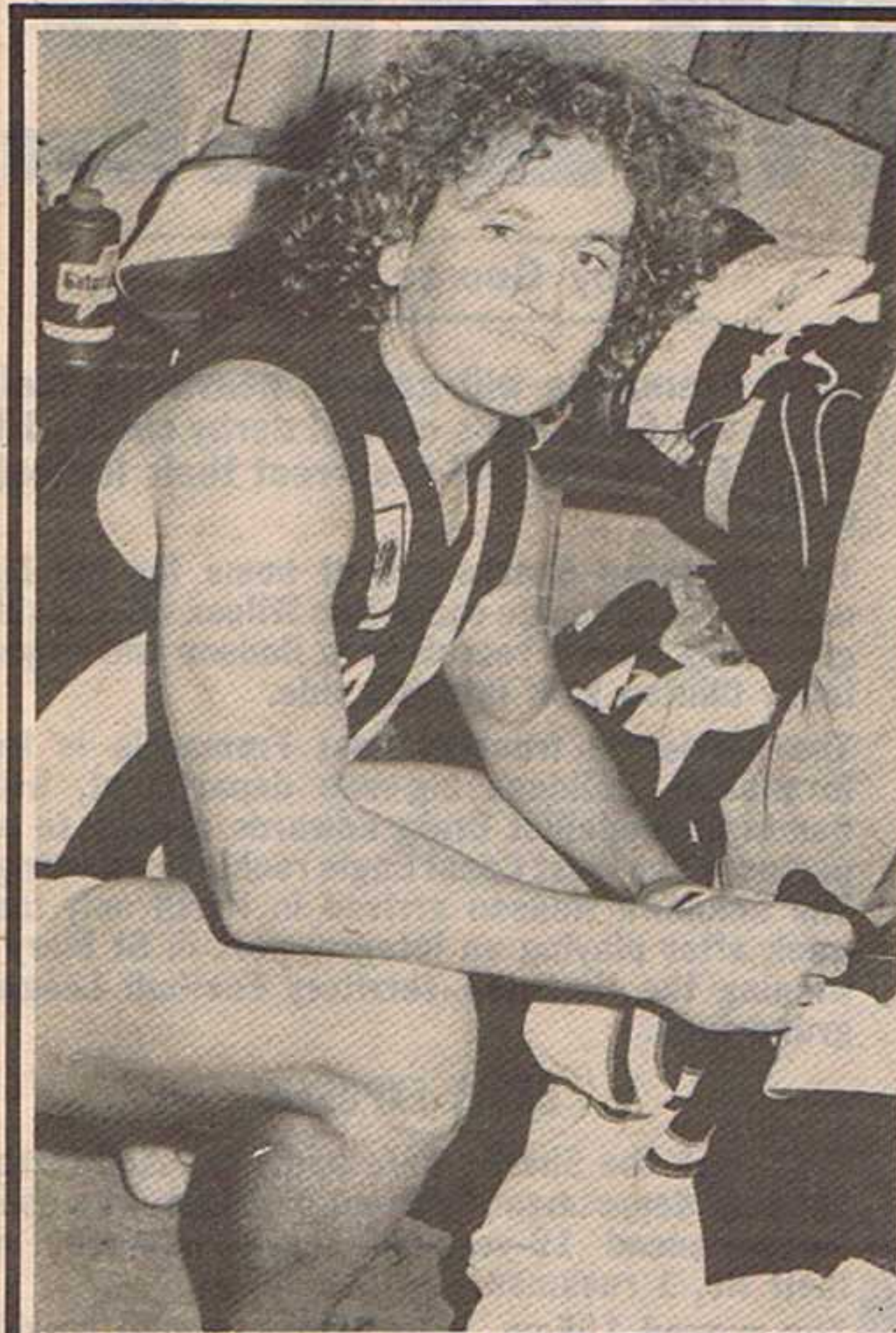
RULE CHANGES

"They changed the rules to prevent ruck-rovers going over the top. That should be reversed and the centre square and the centre-line should go.

"It's too easy to score now and players get free kicks too easily. The good shirt-front should be allowed and it should be up to the umpire to decide if it was too late or not.

"The game will soon be at the stage where players kiss one another after each point is scored.

"Look at the stupid reports from the weekend AFL matches — they were soft. The Eagles Karl Langdon, St Kilda's Ricky Nixon and Essendon pair David Grenvold and Michael Werner all had their names takes for ridiculous reasons."



Shaun Davey...copped John Todd's full blast

Davey gets a big boot

ANGRY Swan Districts coach John Todd let forward Shaun Davey know his feelings after their shock 23-point win over East Fremantle last Saturday.

Davey, one of Swans big finds last season, played a major role in the club's second-half revival at Bassen-dean Oval, taking several telling marks and kicking three goals after being switched to centre-half-forward in the second term.

Todd grabbed Davey's boots and threw them in the rubbish bin.

"They're a disgrace," said the tough coach.

STRUGGLING

While Davey was managing to hold his marks, he had been struggling to hold his feet throughout the four quarters.

He slipped over at least six times while attempting tackles and Todd was furious.

Davey took the reprimand in good spirit and later said jokingly that he had put some of Swans "grippe stuff" on his hands in the second half, which helped his marking.

Had he put it on his boots as well, who knows how much Swans would have won by!

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GOSSIP FROM AROUND THE CLUBS

NERVOUS DECISION

EAST Perth coach Ian McCulloch was a worried man before Saturday's clash with arch-rivals West Perth ... and who wouldn't be. The Royals coach had gambled heavily by including Darwin recruits Noel Long and Brian Stanislaus in the senior side without seeing them perform. In fact, Long didn't even have a training run with the players. But Macca went on good vibrations from some Darwin experts and his gamble paid off as the Royals surged to victory and the two recruits played their part.

NUMBERS GAME

WHILE it's good to see big-name sponsors like Pepsi coming into local football, it's a pity some clubs have seen fit to take the player's number off the front of their guernsey in a reshuffle of logos. The WA clubs set an excellent example some years back when they numbered players on the front as well as the back, but with a new logo being added, some clubs have opted to leave the number off. Don't blame the media when players are wrongly identified!

WRONG TIP

YOU can't always be right! Last week we suggested that former State player Steve Richardson had "retired" after a disagreement with Swan Districts coach John Todd. Well, the second part was right. But the retirement didn't last long as East Perth snapped up his services and the rugged utility player should come into this week's league side after a best-on-ground effort in the reserves last Saturday.



Jimmy Krakouer...shortened St Kilda's odds

LONG ODDS

IF you fancy taking the long odds about football teams, then you should have been a St Kilda fan. Odds of 100/1 were bet about the Saints winning their second premiership and the generous odds of 8/1 to make the final five were also snapped up. With two wins from two outings, no wonder the bookies have cut their prices down to 16/1 and 6/4 respectively!

HOLDING OUT

ROOKIE ruckman Steven Wasley is being pulled at from both sides in his deadlocked clearance battle. The tall youngster opted for West Perth this season after a few disagreements at East Perth, but the Royals are adamant that he doesn't qualify for a clearance. He has been invited back to Perth Oval, where he would be a real chance to step straight back into the seniors if he decided to change his mind.

TIGERS BUG

THE Tigers have got the bug! Yes, they've got the winning bug; but we're talking about the influenza bug. Seems as though a couple of Claremont players were suffering from a virus last weekend, with dashing rover Tony Evans being forced out of the side and defender John Scott tried to get rid of his at half-time! Hopefully, coach Gerard Neesham has managed to find the right injections for his players.

GOOD ADVICE

SWAN Districts coach John Todd doesn't pull any punches when it comes to telling players where they stand — as rookie Travis Edmonds now realises. The tall ruckman has proved his worth in the senior side after Todd told him that it was time he "started mixing it with the big boys." The 19-year-old had been content to stay in the under-19s and reserves till he developed more physical strength.

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Big Arnie finds a life after footy

by Alan East

MANY footballers find that there really is life after football — and former top goalkicker Paul Arnold has certainly discovered that.

The strapping frame of Arnold, one-time East Perth and South Fremantle spearhead, now rules the waves at Kalbarri, WA's holiday playground some 600kms away from the football grounds that he once dominated.

Arnold runs Kalbarri Sports and, as such, he is probably the most popular person in the township — apart from the hot bread baker maybe.

His knowledge of the fishing spots, what's biting and where — and how to catch them — makes him a natural target for every Kalbarri visitor.

After all, if you travel to Kalbarri for a holiday, you go fishing and Arnold sells everything you need, from scuba diving equipment and craypots to mulies and white bait.

"It's a great life," says the quietly-spoken giant who still shares the record of kicking nine goals in a preliminary final — playing for the Royals in their 1978 clash with South Fremantle.

"I enjoy the sun and the surf; the water's great, the fishing's terrific and even though I work pretty hard, it's just not the same as being in an office or something like that."

RETIRED

Arnold, a former surveyor, virtually retired to Kalbarri when he finished his league career in Perth in 1985, having played 90 games with the Royals and another 40 with the Bulldogs.

"I'd been up here on a few fishing trips with blokes like Eddie Pitter and I always reckoned it would be a great life style," says Arnold, sitting in the sun on the steps to his bustling shop, looking out over the river mouth and estuary at one of Australia's most beautiful spots.

"I'd always liked fishing and when I heard that this shop was for sale, my wife and I decided to go for it."

Arnold, now 33 and probably fitter and trimmer than he ever was, kicked 111 goals for the Bulldogs and 241 for the Royals — a healthy average of 2.5 goals per game. He was East Perth's leading goalscorer in 1979 and 1980 with 51 and 76 respectively and Souths top scorer in 1984 with 39.

"I haven't missed league footy," says Arnold. "A few people felt that I retired a little prematurely and



Paul Arnold...a long way from the big city, but relishing the sunny life style

when I look at the game now, I wonder if I could still be playing.

"I've played with Northampton in the Great Northern League and I was their leading goalkicker for the last three years, topping the league ladder in 1989 as well.

"It's just over an hour's drive from here to Northampton, so I generally only play in home games, giving the far-away matches a miss when I can.

"I still look forward to the footy season up here and I try to take in a club match when I go down to Perth on holidays."

SWAPPED

Arnold, who graduated to East Perth's senior side in 1976 via the East Perth-Highgate juniors, grew up just one of his booming drop punts away from Perth Oval. But in 1983, when he felt that a change of club was needed to spur his career on, the Royals were happy to swap him for Stan Magro, a former Bulldog who had returned to WA from Victoria and was keen to help in the East Perth revival.

"I felt it was time for a change and I didn't regret the move," says Arnold. "But I enjoyed my years at East Perth as well and I've still got a soft spot for them.

"It's amazing how many footballers you see up here on holidays and there's always a familiar face dropping into the shop."

CAPTURES

The shop that Arnold refers to has expanded considerably since he took over and is decorated with dozens of coloured snapshots showing the big man —

and many of his clients — holding handsome fish captures.

With a special weighing machine rigged up on the verandah, the sports store is the place to head when you have landed a big one and Arnold himself has weighed in a few nice mackerels and the odd 2.5 metre Tiger shark.

His boat is an open-deck aluminium craft designed for big-sea fishing and he's easily tempted away from the counter to try for a mackerel or two when the weather's fine. But he also indulges in plenty of other beach-type activities, including a regular early-morning jog and voluntary activities with the local surf life club.

Arnold's football highlights include being a member of East Perth's 1978 premiership side — kicking four of the team's 11 goals on a wet and windy day totally unsuitable for big-marking forwards — and State representation against Victoria and South Australia.

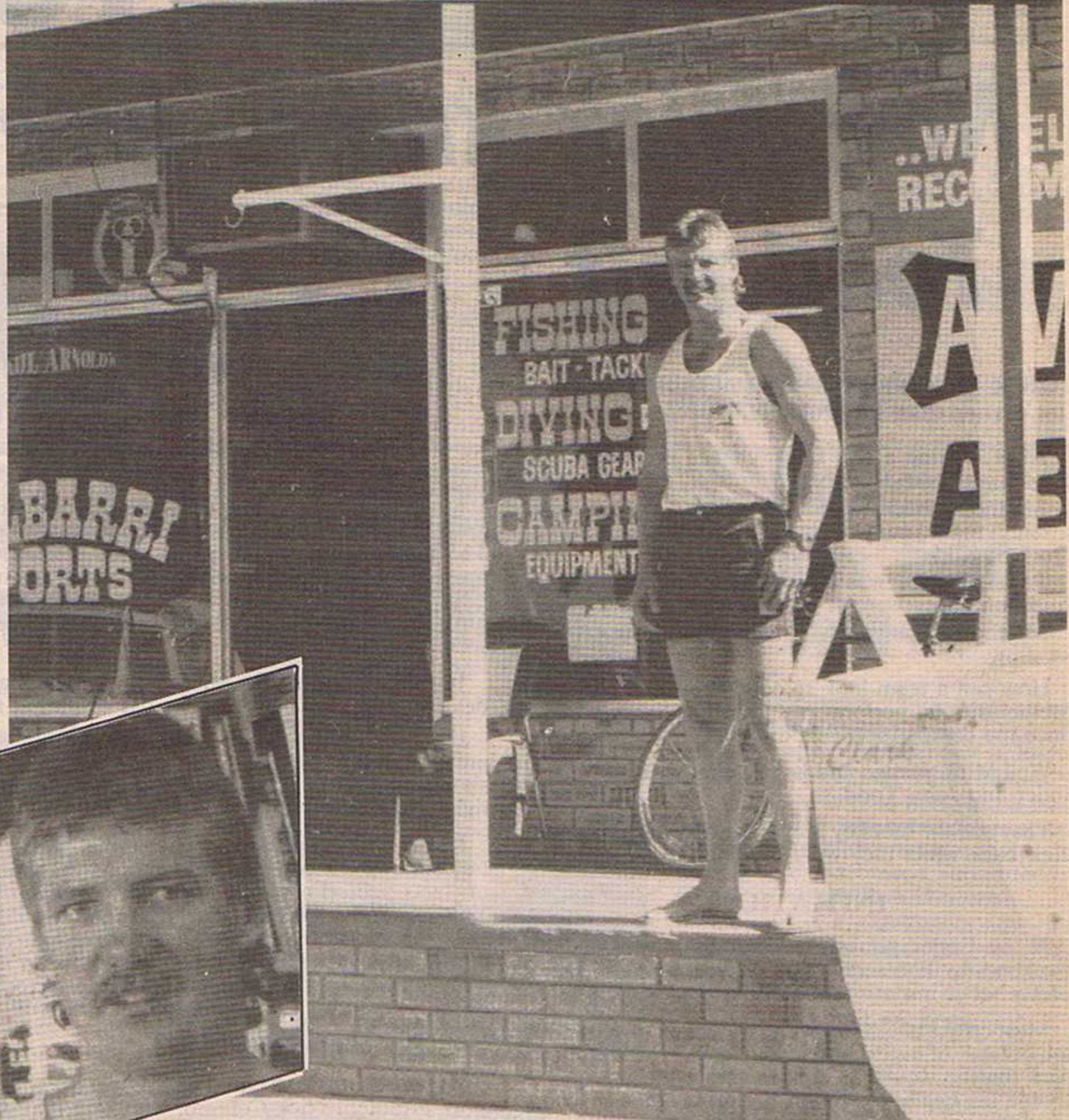
POTENTIAL

Arnold does admit that he probably didn't achieve his maximum potential as a footballer; often falling short of expectations just when he appeared capable of really dominating the game.

"Maybe I just didn't have the right mental approach to be totally dedicated and successful," he says.

"I do regret not ever having a crack at Victorian football. Richmond invited me over there in '78 or '79, but I turned them down.

"Maybe I should have gone. But then maybe I wouldn't be living up here..."



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FACING FACTS

Now Mick knows how Todd felt

MICK Malthouse's moment of truth has come a lot earlier than he probably expected.

After looking a real finals chance pre-season, the Eagles yet again have been humbled in Melbourne.

Malthouse decided to interview his players in an attempt to find out why the team took such a drubbing from St Kilda.

Perhaps there was a very simple answer to the question. They weren't good enough.

Malthouse obviously finds that fact hard to swallow.

How can a team look so good pre-season, even in Melbourne, yet perform in such an ordinary manner once the competition gets dinkum?

Well Mick, just go and have a chat with Ron Alexander and John Todd.

That was the monkey they tried very hard to get off their back while they were coaching the Eagles.

INITIATION

If the Eagles get rolled again in Melbourne this weekend, by Footscray, Malthouse is going to face a pretty hectic initiation as coach of the West Coasters.

Most critics believed that he was given the coaching job because of his experience as a coach in Melbourne. And that he would be able to create the formula to enable the Eagles to win on Victorian soil a bit more regularly.

Let's face it, if all AFL games were played in Perth, the Eagles would be one of the fancies to win the premiership.

But in Melbourne, they are rarely an even-money chance to win.

Malthouse has tossed up the psychological barrier of winning in Melbourne. He believes that some players psyche themselves out of winning over there.

I don't believe that is the case. They play a closer, tougher brand of football in Melbourne and our guys just can't handle it.

by
**Robert
Bennett**
of the Sunday Times



Malthouse appeared to have hit the formula when the Eagles beat Collingwood in the opening game here. The Eagles seemed to man up a lot better than in previous seasons. But if last Saturday was any indication, he faces a long haul to achieve what Alexander and Todd were unable to do, carry the Eagles WA form to Melbourne.

It will be a real test for Malthouse. And he'll need to develop a thicker hide than he has displayed so far.

Last week Westside Football was still hot off the presses when Mick was on the phone to me — upset about some of the things I'd written. That's not quite right. He was livid!

I said that he had been given the "flick" from Footscray, so he got stuck into me saying I should get my facts right. (I couldn't agree more with you, Mick. You correctly forecast that Essendon would beat Hawthorn, basing your assessment on the match being played at Windy Hill. You obviously missed the announcement that the clash had been transferred to the MCG. We all get the wrong info at times!)

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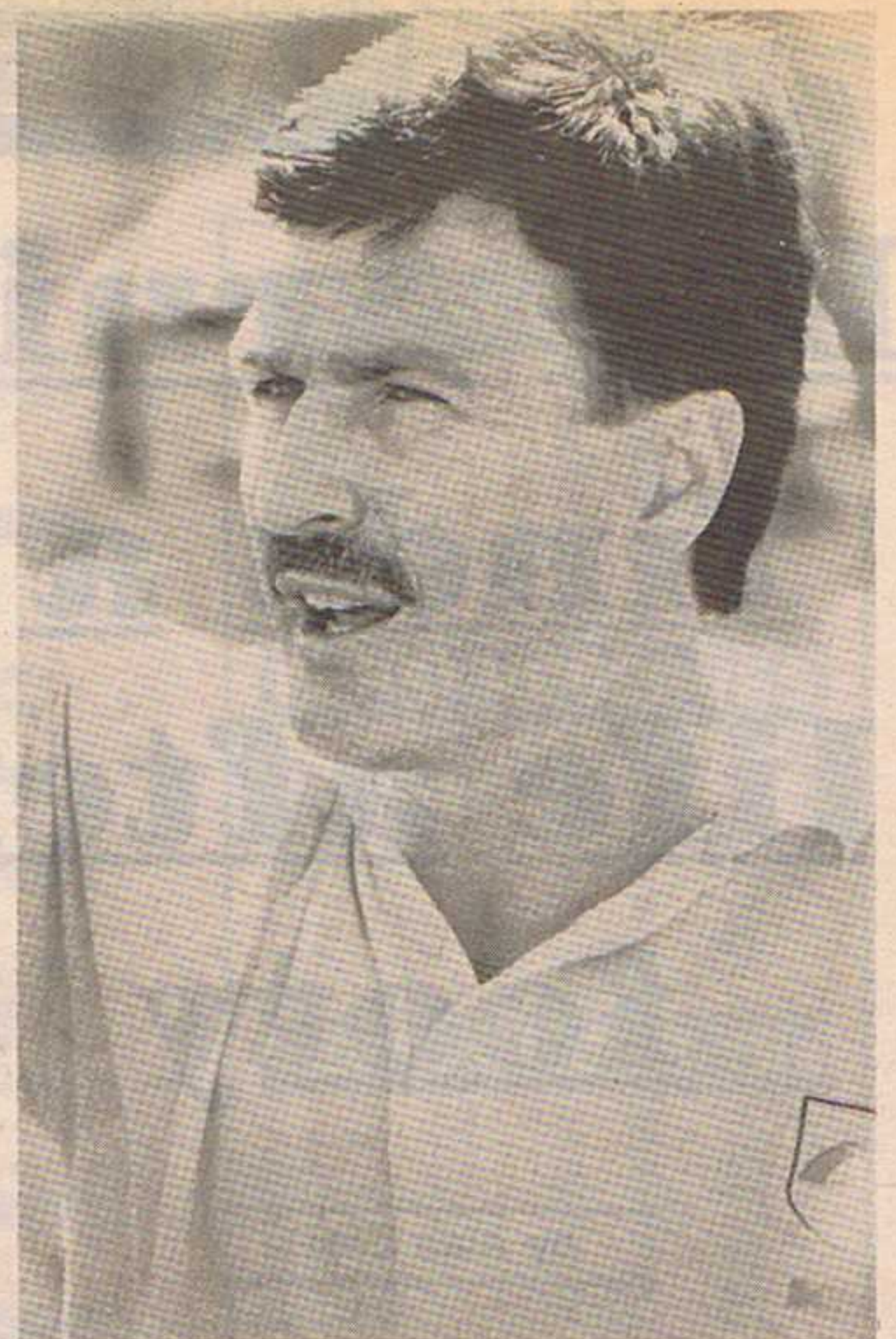
My comments were based on a report quoting Footscray president Nick Columb, who said that Malthouse didn't have total support on the club's board regarding the coaching job for this season.

My interpretation was that Mick had been given the flick.

But, as he stated to me, he did, in fact, resign. I promised to put the record straight, so I apologise for saying that he had been handballed out the door.

Anyway, that's in the past. No-one will give a damn whether Mick Malthouse was wanted at Footscray or not.

The Eagles wanted him and that's what counts. Whatever happens from now on will be his measuring stick.



Mick Malthouse...in the coaching hot seat after the West Coast Eagles dismal display against St Kilda last Saturday

Bonanza winners

ANOTHER eight football supporters got more than just a game of football at Bassendean Oval last Saturday when they shared in Westside Football's \$10,000 Footy Bonanza Give-Away.

Westside Football, in conjunction with the Swan Districts Football Club, presented winner Norm Davis, of Midvale, with a dinner for two at the Oz Outback Theatre Restaurant, in Northbridge and Cecil Bartle, of Joondanna, will also be dining out after winning a dinner for two at Swans Locker Room Restaurant.

Janette Palladino, of Booragoon, won a double pass to Club Rumours; Faye Ellson, of Bunbury, won a carton of Pepsi Cola and N. Bogdanovs, of Morley, won a pack of Angove's quality wines.

Peter Lloyd, of Mirrabooka, was lucky winner of a free Swan Districts membership and a set of home game passes and K. O'Neill, of Yokine, collected a Swans supporters kit.

John Komorowski, of Bayswater, can collect his prize of an autographed Burley football from Westside Football's offices in Northbridge.

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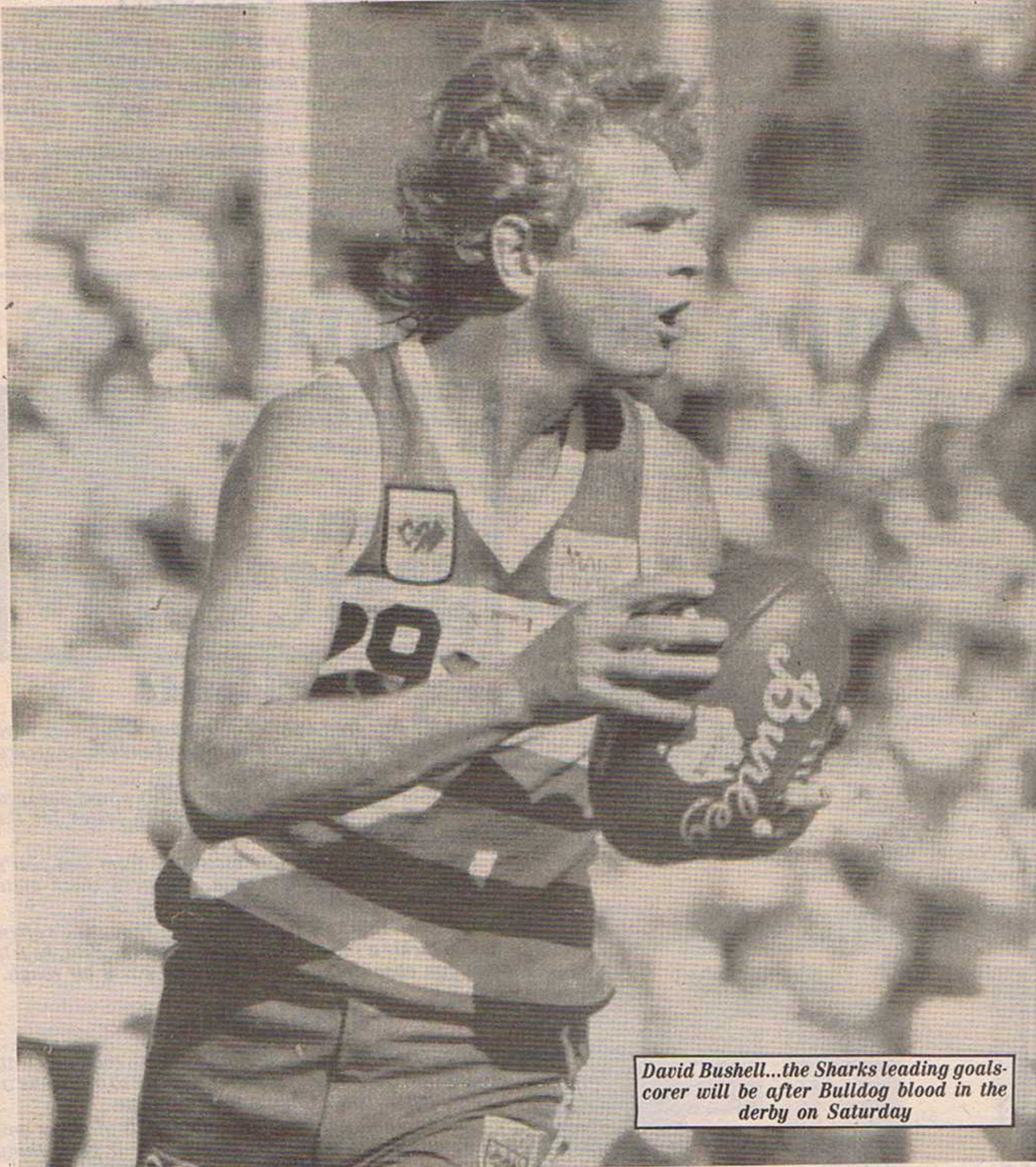
BUSHELL IS FIRED UP

AGGRESSIVE East Fremantle rover David Bushell is in the mood to rip South Fremantle apart in the Port derby this Saturday.

The 26-year-old, virtually forgotten by former Sharks coach Graham Melrose last season, is East Fremantle's leading goalkicker with 10 majors already this season.

But Bushell is smarting over his side's shock 23-point loss at Bassendean Oval last Saturday and he's in the mood to extract revenge on the Sharks highly-rated neighbours.

"We were very indirect against Swan Districts," says Bushell, who only knows one way to play the game and that's straight down the middle.



David Bushell...the Sharks leading goalkicker will be after Bulldog blood in the derby on Saturday

"We should never have lost last week, but we haven't lost confidence in ourselves. A Port derby is the best way to bounce back; there's no need for us to work at psyching ourselves up because it just comes naturally in these games."

East Fremantle also fell down in the big-man department against Swans. The black and whites, using 19-year-old Travis Edmonds and 21-year-old Craig Hoycard, were able to dominate the ruck duels, but their football experience pales in comparison to Souths following division.

The Bulldogs have Sandover Medallist Craig Edwards, Dean Nalder and possibly West Coast Eagles ruckman Dean Irving, who is expected to be swapped for another of Souths Eagles in Stevan Jackson.

Swans to atone

SWAN Districts can remain unbeaten by accounting for West Perth — the team that pipped them for a place in last season's first semi-final.

The Falcons are yet to register a win in 1990. They lack cohesion and midfield direction; disciplines which Swans developed while tearing East Fremantle apart.

Falcons coach George Michalczyk has had a worrying week, but the form of players like Oral McGuire, Derek Hall and Paul Hasler gives him plenty to build on.

MONDAY'S GAMES

Tough Royals test

THE new-look East Perth side boasts a powerful goal-to-goal line, especially if Gavin Rose returns to full-back to join an improving Craig McGrath at centre-half-back, George Giannakis in the centre, Peter Melesso at centre-half-forward and Glen Bartlett at full-forward.

Darwin recruits Noel Long and Brian Stanislaus give the Royals midfield some class and there's no doubt they are a vastly more potent force than they were a month ago.

A gauge on how potent they are will come on Monday when they tackle defending premiers and favourites for the 1990 crown, Claremont, at Perth Oval.

The Tigers move the ball with efficiency and blistering pace. They are deadly in front of goal and their experienced defence marks powerfully and rebounds in numbers.

Demons challenge

TWO matches into the season and Subiaco are already proving to be an enigma.

After beating East Perth convincingly in round one, they were dumped comprehensively by the defending premiers, Claremont, last Saturday.

This makes the Lions clash with win-less Perth at Lathlain Park on Monday an intriguing encounter.

Both sides believe that they are finals contenders, boasting depth and experience and good big-men divisions. However, a loss for the Demons would be a big set-back in their hunt for a September fixture.

STATE LEAGUE FORM GUIDE

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

EAST FREMANTLE W(86), L(23) CLAREMONT W(7), W(57)
WEST PERTH L(86), L(24) SOUTH FREMANTLE L(7), W(52)
SWAN DISTRICTS W(3), W(23) SUBIACO W(105), L(57)
PERTH L(3), L(52) EAST PERTH L(105), W(24)

THE COVERAGE

WASFL - Saturday, April 14 (Round 3).
East Fremantle vs South Fremantle, at East Fremantle Oval. Radio: 6WF, 6NR (2.20pm).
Swan Districts vs West Perth, at Bassendean Oval. Radio: 6PR (2.20pm).
Monday, April 16.
East Perth vs Claremont, at Perth Oval. Radio: 6NR (2pm)
Perth vs Subiaco, at Lathlain. Radio: 6PR (2.20pm)
AFL - Saturday, April 14 (Round 3).
Footscray vs Eagles, at Western Oval. Radio: 6WF, 6PR, 6NR (all noon). Television: Channel 7 (noon).
CHANNEL 7: Saturday noon: Footscray vs Eagles, 5pm: Match of the day highlights. Sunday noon: Brisbane Bears vs North Melbourne, 11.30pm: AFL match of the day highlights.

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*Tally does not include AFL tips	Tally	Swan Dist v W. Perth	E. Frem v S. Frem	E. Perth v Claremont	Perth v Subiaco	Footscray v Eagles
RON ALEXANDER	6	Swan Districts	East Fremantle	Claremont	Perth	Eagles
ROB BENNETT	4	Swan Districts	East Fremantle	Claremont	Subiaco	Footscray
PETER BOSUSTOW	5	Swan Districts	East Fremantle	Claremont	Perth	Eagles
TANIA ARMSTRONG	5	Swan Districts	East Fremantle	Claremont	Subiaco	Footscray
ALAN EAST	8	Swan Districts	East Fremantle	Claremont	Subiaco	Eagles
IAN MILLER	4	Swan Districts	South Fremantle	Claremont	Subiaco	Eagles
BILL MATHER-BROWN	5	Swan Districts	East Fremantle	Claremont	Subiaco	Eagles
GARY STOCKS	6	Swan Districts	South Fremantle	Claremont	Subiaco	Eagles
GEORGE TEMPLE	6	Swan Districts	South Fremantle	Claremont	Subiaco	Eagles
GRANT DORRINGTON	5	Swan Districts	South Fremantle	Claremont	Subiaco	Eagles
MOST FAVOURED	6	Swan Districts	East Fremantle	Claremont	Subiaco	Eagles

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Veterans in their third decade

WITH the Australian Football League season now two weeks old, there are 24 players who can lay claim to having played VFL in the 1970s and 1980s and AFL in the 1990s.

Heading the list is evergreen Hawthorn skipper Michael Tuck, who is in his 19th season of league football after making his debut in 1972.

Three players who first appeared in 1974 are still playing — David Cloke (Richmond), Simon Madden (Essendon) and Rod Carter (Sydney).



Simon Madden...made his league debut 17 seasons ago

AFL GOALKICKERS

Gls Pts		Gls Pts	
LOCKETT, Tony (St Kil)	19 8	JENCKE, Ray (Hawth)	5 0
BENNETT, Darren (Melb)	16 5	ABLETT, Gary (Geel)	5 4
DUNSTALL, Jason (Hawth)	13 8	WILLIAMS, Mark (Footsc)	5 3
LONGMIRE, John (N. Melb)	12 5	ROOS, Paul (Fitz)	5 7
WERNER, Michael (Ess)	10 4	BEWICK, Darren (Ess)	5 1
BRERETON, Dermott (Hawth)	9 3	ANDERSON, Greg (Ess)	5 4
DAICOS, Peter (Coll)	8 0	LANGDON, Karl (Eagles)	4 1
SUMICH, Peter (Eagles)	7 4	CATON, Kevin (B. Bears)	4 6
OWEN, Rod (St Kil)	7 6	STYNES, Jim (Melb)	4 1
GERMAN, Peter (N. Melb)	7 5	CLARK, Steven (Melb)	4 3
MINTON-CONNELL, Simon (Carl)	7 3	DEAR, Paul (Hawth)	4 3
HARRIS, Bernard (B. Bears)	6 4	MORRISSEY, James (Hawth)	4 3
WILLIAMS, Greg (S. Swans)	6 2	LIBERATORE, Tony (Footsc)	4 2
FELL, Shane (S. Swans)	6 3	VAN DER HAAR, Paul (Ess)	4 2
PICKERING, Michael (Rich)	6 5	BARWICK, Doug (Coll)	4 2
BROWNLESS, Bill (Geel)	6 2	PLAIN, Bradley (Ess)	4 1
GRANT, Chris (Footsc)	6 8	MANSON, James (Coll)	4 1

How WA players performed in AFL

Kicks	Marks	H/Balls	Score	Players					
				Score	Kicks	Marks	H/Balls		
BRISBANE BEARS				FOOTSCRAY					
David Bain	10	3	9	—	John Georgiades	2	1	1	1.0
Kevin Caton	3	1	—	0.1	GEELONG				
Brad Edwards	13	2	2	—	Ray Sterrett	8	3	7	—
John Gastev	12	2	9	—	MELBOURNE				
Alex Ishchenko	11	9	10	1.1	Darren Bennett	12	7	1	8.4
Mike Richardson	15	9	10	1.0	NTH MELBOURNE				
Brad Rowe	5	—	3	1.0	Mark Brayshaw	5	4	12	—
Mark Zanotti	15	3	1	1.0	Andrew Krakouer	7	2	8	2.1
CARLTON				RICHMOND					
Wayne Blackwell	13	3	13	—	Michael Mitchell	10	4	8	2.1
Steven Da Rui	14	2	5	0.1	ST KILDA				
Jon Dorotich	5	3	3	—	Paul Harding	9	3	5	—
ESSENDON				SYDNEY SWANS					
Darren Bewick	10	3	1	1.1	Jim Krakouer	13	1	8	1.2
Peter Cransberg	2	—	—	2.0	Nicky Winmar	14	4	9	0.2
Derek Kickett	4	1	3	2.0	SYDNEY SWANS				
FITZROY									
Dale Kickett	14	7	5	2.3	Brad Tunbridge	4	2	5	—
Wally Matera	8	2	4	—					

HIT OUTS: Mark Hepburn (North Melbourne) 12; Alex Ishchenko (Brisbane Bears) 11; Brad Tunbridge (Sydney Swans) 7; Paul Harding (St Kilda) 5; Jon Dorotich (Carlton) 3; Brad Edwards (Brisbane Bears), Nicky Winmar (St Kilda) 1.

Interstate Update

with RICHARD CAMM



The only other player to so far appear in his 15th season is the Brisbane Bears Rodney Eade, who made his debut in 1976 with Hawthorn.

Another nine players who played in both the 1970s and 1980s are still on AFL senior lists, but are yet to represent their clubs in 1990. This group includes Hawthorn's Robert DiPierdomenico, who played his first game in 1975, and Terry Daniher, who first represented Essendon in the seniors in 1976.

Umps don't impress

PLAYERS in the West Coast Eagles camp are annoyed at the standard of AFL umpiring after their two home-and-away fixtures.

None of the players were willing to discuss the men in white following last Saturday's clash with St Kilda for fear of a fine.

But there's no question that they saw red with some decisions dished out by umpires Peter Carey and Chris Mitchell.

Their concern was most evident at the report of their own Karl Langdon and Saint, Ricky Nixon.

The Eagle was reported by Mitchell for allegedly striking Tim Pekin, while Carey took Nixon's name for a head-high tackle on Chris Mainwaring.

Both charges were dismissed as frivolous.

These sorts of charges make playing the game difficult. It affects the performances of players knowing that they could get rubbed out for a minor infringement of the laws.

And such a report could lead to further charges if the player becomes angered at being reported on something really minor.

BIG BIRD



EAGLES coach Mick Malthouse has dubbed rookie ruckman Dean Irving "Big Bird" —and that's not only because he's so tall.

Malthouse reckons that the 200cm leaper looks like the Sesame Street character.

GOALKICKER

NORTH Melbourne full-forward John Longmire became the ninth present-day player to kick 10 goals in a league match with his 12-goal performance against Richmond at the MCG last Friday night.

Longmire joins Jason Dunstall, Tony Lockett, Brian Taylor, Gary Ablett, Paul Salmon, Richard Osborne, Stephen Kernahan and Warwick Capper as current 10-goal full-forwards.

ON TARGET

THE 19-goal tally by St Kilda's man-mountain Tony Lockett after the first two rounds of 1990 has matched his performance of 1989, when he also kicked nine and 10 goals in the first two matches, but in a different order.

It is only the fifth time that players have opened the season with 19 or more goals in two matches. The only player to score more than 20 goals in the first two weeks of a VFL season was Essendon's John Coleman, who had posted 21 goals after two rounds of 1953.

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Check-mate

EAGLES pair Don Pyke and Dwayne Lamb may have set some kind of national altitude and-endurance record for a game of chess last Friday.

The skilful rover and the tough utility player engaged in an enthralling game of chess which lasted for the entire Perth to Melbourne flight.

Pyke, who got some late assistance from last year's club champion Guy McKenna, produced check-mate only moments before the plane touched down.

Lamb felt that he was hard done by. Though he's often had to tackle a two-on-one situation on the field, he felt that two opponents in a chess battle was a bit rough.

Card shark

DEFENDER Michael Brennan found rookies Dean Irving and Dean Kemp somewhat easier to overcome in their mental battles flying to Melbourne.

The trio enjoyed a few friendly hands of poker and the experienced backman said it was a good thing money wasn't on the line.

"It would have been like taking candy from babies," said Brennan, who lists horse-racing as one of his favourite hobbies.

EAGLES FAN

THE Eagles No. 1 ticket-holder in Melbourne this year is none other than Aboriginal actor Ernie Dingo.

The star of movies like Crocodile Dundee is a friend of Troy Ugle and Chris Lewis, is also a keen follower of Perth's national basketball team, the Wildcats.

The reason why he follows WA sports teams is because he rates Perth as a great city; he reckons it's the best in Australia.

SECRET SERVICE

THE Eagles camp is going to be more secretive about its Melbourne preparation for future games.

In 1989, the West Coasters had their training runs on the oval next to Princes Park, but this year they will alternate between various venues.

"We want to keep the side under wraps from opposing clubs," said Eagles football manager Trevor Nisbett.

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BULLDOGS DO HAVE REAL BITE



WHEN Mick Malthouse accepted the job of coaching the West Coast Eagles, he knew that there would be one particularly tough day early in the season.

That would be the day when his new club played his old club — and that moment has arrived as the Eagles prepare for a torrid welcome at the Western Oval when they play Footscray this Saturday.

Malthouse knows that the parochial western suburbs fans will give him plenty of advice, though none of it will be complimentary.

Malthouse has been prepared for an unruly welcome, but one thing he might not have counted on is the form of the club he left at the end of the 1989 season.

BRILLIANT

St Kilda dished out a hiding to Footscray in round one, but the Bulldogs bounced back brilliantly last Sunday to give the Sydney Swans a 62-point thrashing and suddenly this Saturday's confrontation takes on a whole new dimension.

The Eagles have something in common with the Bulldogs, apart from having Malthouse as their coach, after also receiving a belting from the Saints, so this match becomes extremely interesting.

Jezza has got the Blues

CARLTON coach Alex Jesaulenko must be longing for the comfort of his Canberra fireside.

The magical player and coach of a bygone decade came out of retirement early last season to pick up the reins at his old club when the Blues hierarchy sacked premiership coach Robert Walls.

Now, with two demoralising losses to open the 1990 season, Jesaulenko must know how Walls was feeling exactly a year ago.

DISASTROUS

Carlton have had to live with disastrous starts in the last three seasons — and last year's poor effort from the initial bouncdown left the directors in a ruthless mood as they blamed the coach for the team's failures.

Now Jesaulenko is feeling the critical stares as he faces a revitalised St Kilda this week and then journeys West for a clash with the West Coast Eagles.

Jesaulenko accepts the blame for two poor performances.

"As coach, I blame myself," he says.



by
Gary Stocks
of The West Australian

Just as St Kilda had outstanding midfield contributions on Saturday so, too, did Footscray at the SCG on Sunday.

Veteran wingman Doug Hawkins, a living legend at the Western Oval, brilliant rover Tony McGuinness, his sidekick Tony Liberatore and outstanding youngsters Scott Wynd and Simon Atkins were in sparkling form.

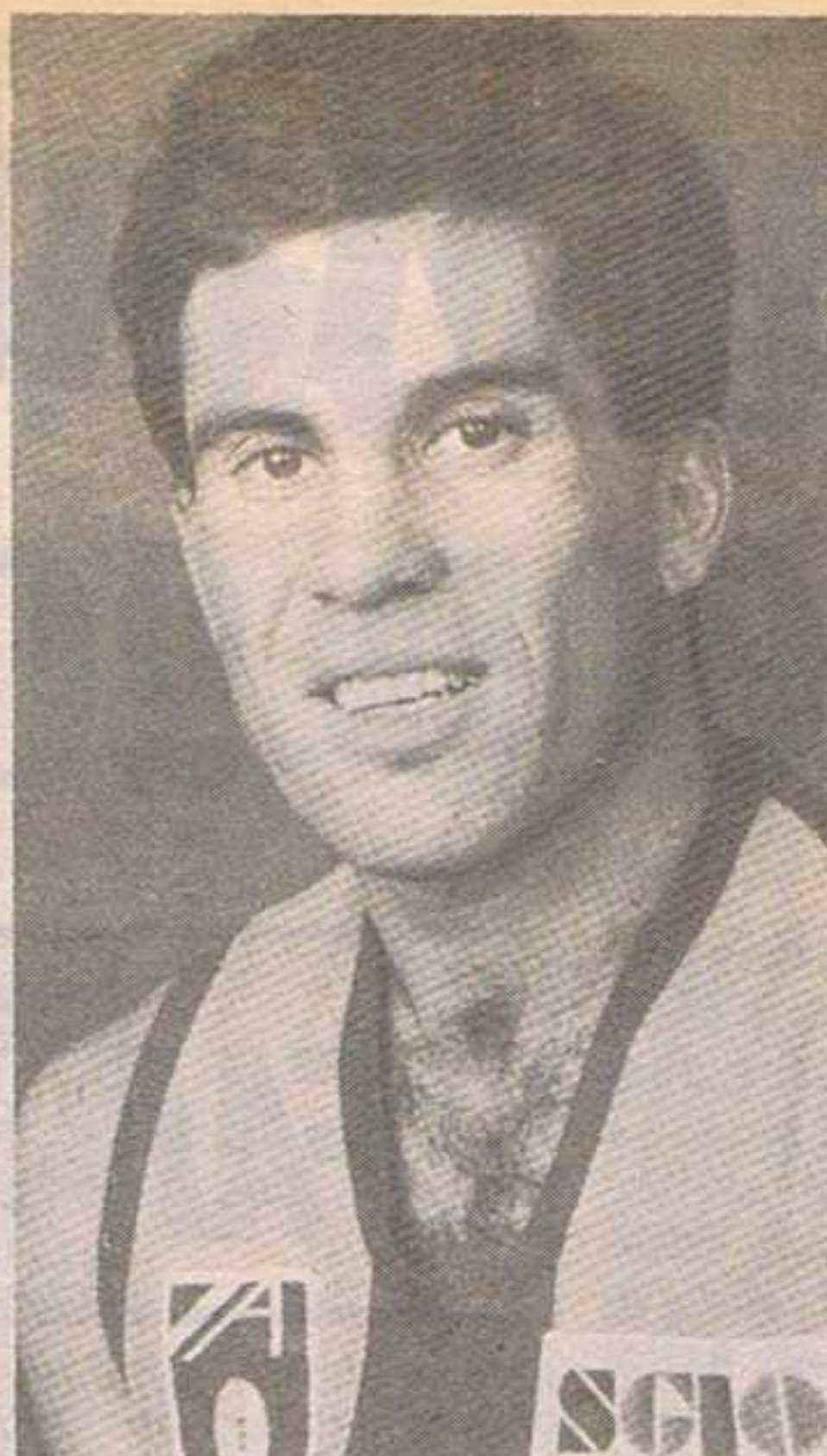
To over-come the highly respected Sydney Swans midfield unit is no mean feat and the Eagles will really need to have their minds on the job to win what is a very important clash.

PRESSURE

To have any chance of reaching the top five, the Eagles must win two of their first three matches and last week's loss to St Kilda means that the West Coast are under enormous pressure to atone for last Saturday's performance.

This will be a real test of the Eagles character.

It will be their chance to prove that they have what it takes to enter the top



Steve Malaxos...making a welcome return



Peter Wilson...lacked scoring opportunities

five for the second time in their short history. And Malthouse provides a special reason for the Eagles to produce a memorable effort.

The likely return of captain Steve Malaxos will offer great stability to an area where the Eagles crumpled in a heap against the Saints.

On paper, last week's result shows that Tony Lockett kicked nine goals — most of them against Michael Brennan, but three against Murray Rance. Yet some of the midfield players should be held responsible for that tally.

Lockett was kicking goals against the breeze when, if the running players were doing their job, the ball should have been at the other end of ground presenting scoring opportunities for the likes of Peter Sumich, Peter Wilson and Don Pyke.

CRUMBLLED

It was little wonder the Eagles defence crumbled under the weight of pressure they were asked to absorb.

The Western Oval should hold no fears for the Eagles — they have won there before and it has similar dimensions to Subiaco Oval.

It is just a question of regaining composure, settling down and getting back to the brand of football which made them all the rage in pre-season matches.

And the Footscray 10-goal victory will do more good than harm as the Eagles set themselves mentally. They are now fully aware of the capabilities of the Bulldogs, who will be playing with plenty of emotion.

AFL RATINGS

WEST COAST EAGLES

Player	V	Col	SK	TOT
ANNEAR, John	6	4r		10
BRENNAN, Michael	8	4		12
GWILLIAM, Brad	5	4		9
IRVING, Dean	5	4		9
KEMP, Dean	7	6		13
LAIDLEY, Dean	5	6		11
LAMB, Dwayne	6	5		11
LANGDON, Karl	7	5		12
LEWIS, Chris		3r	3	
LOCKYER, Andrew	4	3		7
MAINWARING, Chris	6	6		12
MATERA, Peter	5		5	
McKENNA, Guy	5	6		11
PEOS, Paul	6	5		11
PYKE, Don	4	5		9
RANCE, Murray	6	6		12
SCOTT, Phil	6	4		10
SUMICH, Peter	6	4		10
UGLE, Troy	7	6		13
WILSON, Peter	6	6		12
WORSFOLD, John	6	6		12

CHANGE OF SCENE

IT appears that Craig Holden, the former Swan Districts and Sydney Swans player, has swapped football for bull-fighting. Holden, who retired from football in 1988 and worked as a development officer with the Swans, has gone to Spain where he is living in Barcelona with his girlfriend, a former Swanette, who is working with a local dance group.



Alex Jesaulenko...feeling the pressure "It's up to the coach to read what's going on around the club and change it. We might not be as good as we think we are."

Carlton finished eighth last year, missing the finals for the first time since 1977 and the hierarchy certainly won't tolerate another September on the sidelines.

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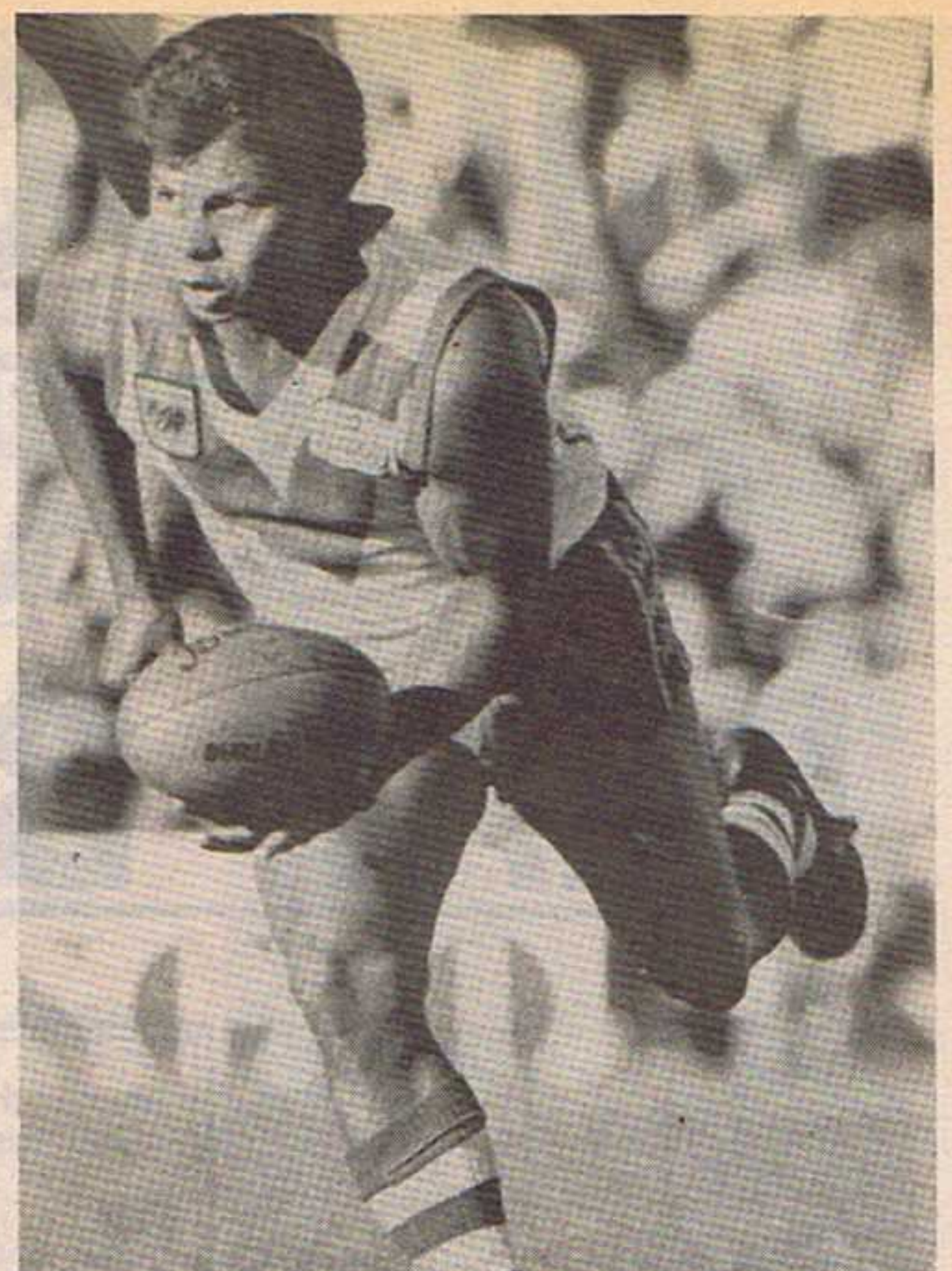
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Magical Maurice will keep going

THERE have been few footballers as magical as Maurice Rioli. In a 15-year career that stretches from Fremantle to Melbourne and back again (via Darwin), he has kept spectators spell-bound with his dynamic ball skills. Along the way, Rioli won three Simpson Medals and one Norm Smith Medal, so why does a man, now in the twilight of his career, keep going when he has achieved so much? Westside Football's **GEORGE TEMPLE** tackled Rioli on this and other subjects at his Bibra Lake home last week.



Maurice Rioli...the magic will live on

WESTSIDE FOOTBALL: Maurice, you're back for another year. That's great for you and for the game, but how many more years can we expect to see you in action?

MAURICE RIOLI: As long as I'm feeling well about my fitness level, my form and I'm enjoying the game — that's the main thing. I love the game, but when that wanes and fitness and frustration comes into it, that's when I'll stop playing.

WF: We'll see you for a few more years then?

RIOLI: That could well be. When you get to my age, everyone talks about retiring and it's something you've got to think about. If you're not playing the game as well as you can, then you've got to give it in.

WF: How are the legs?

RIOLI: I've just played a season up in Darwin and they're great. Maybe because it's a bit hotter, which makes it easier to warm up.

WF: What's the standard like in Darwin?

RIOLI: There's a big difference at a team level. But when you put all the good players together, as

they've shown in the past, there's some real talent playing in that league. In the past nine years, competing against clubs like St Kilda and Essendon, they've only lost once. That's not a bad effort, especially when you consider they're playing against professional footballers.

WF: A lot more players from the Northern Territory are playing in the southern leagues now. Why haven't they emerged before?

RIOLI: During those games against the Victorian clubs, a lot of talent scouts travelled up to have a look at the players and most got recruited. You might even get players coming across from Queensland who are outstanding, but have been missed by their clubs. There's others who may have had a run in an AFL reserves team, but are only now starting to shine.

WF: Was it a tough decision to come back to Perth?

RIOLI: No, my family was down here. My wife's doing her last year at University. I thought I'd come down and support her and have another crack at playing State League football.

WF: You came from a family of footballers — Sebastian, John, Laurence, yourself and now Willie have all played for WA clubs. How much did you help each other?

RIOLI: When we were kids at school we used to kick the ball to one another and I guess we did teach each other skills, like kicking, handballing, weaving, dodging and what not. And playing rugby league has helped. I used to enjoy playing rugby. It's the same because you've got to break through the opposition and score a try.

WF: What position did you play?

RIOLI: I was either right or left side of centre. I played for quite a few years.

WF: What's the football standard like on Melville Island?

RIOLI: Some of the teams in Darwin used to fly players in from the Island to play in their league teams. They still do it, but not as much. The standard there is the best outside of the Northern Territory Football League — at least it was until this year. They were beaten by the Northern Territory Football Association, but they had some problems and they'll beat the NTFA next year.

WF: When you made your 1975 debut with South Fremantle, did you think you would still be playing in 1990?

RIOLI: No, I didn't. I can remember coming down and thinking that it was a big world and I'd never been to a city like this before. I'd only been in Darwin, which is a small town in comparison. I didn't know how I'd go.

WF: In your younger days, you were a talented boxer and you're often credited as being a Golden Gloves champion, but that's not quite true is it?

RIOLI: No. I won the silver gloves in the juniors. I fought for the Golden Gloves here in WA, but was beaten on points.

WF: Why did you choose football over boxing?

RIOLI: I enjoyed boxing, but not as much as football. There's not the depth in boxing in Australia and I had to fight guys a lot bigger than me.

WF: Another legendary tale involves you and Mark Jackson after training one night. What happened there?

RIOLI: Jacko came across from Richmond and he was a tough customer. He trained the way he played, which was rough and one night he was doing a spell in the ring and he started calling me a few names. It didn't bother me, but it did my trainer, Laurie Flanders. So I put the gloves on and gave Jacko a few whacks on the nose. He started bleeding and decided that he'd had enough.

WF: You're the best of friends now though?

RIOLI: Oh yeah. He's not a bad bloke when you get him by himself. His antics and that are all part of his image.

WF: Did you achieve all that you wanted to at Richmond?

RIOLI: I was only going there for a couple of years and I didn't think I'd last as long as I did. I had signed for three years, but I realised that was where football was at; the crowds and the money was there. I

particularly liked the MCG because it was Richmond's home ground and we had big crowds. You tend to try harder and perform better when you're in front of a lot of people.

WF: It must have been great then appearing in last season's WAFL grand final in front of a big crowd?

RIOLI: That was a lot of fun; it's only a shame that we lost. I do miss playing in front of crowds like that.

WF: With three Simpson Medals and one Norm Smith Medal as the best player in a VFL grand final, you obviously like to perform in the big games. Is it the crowds that make you perform?

RIOLI: It certainly helps me lift my standard. I guess I should strive to play like that all the time though. There's certainly no reason why I shouldn't.

WF: How do you see Aboriginal people in sport? Should more of them achieve excellence in sports such as cricket and athletics for instance?

RIOLI: There have been a lot of outstanding Aboriginal sportsmen, but they've only reached certain levels. In football there are a lot of Aboriginals who don't like pre-season training and therefore they don't take part in anything till after Christmas. That's why they miss out. Some arrive in the middle of the season after playing well in the country. If I was the coach and had invited someone down and they didn't want to come, that would be it.

WF: You could make that criticism of a lot of people though?

RIOLI: That's right. I guess with a lot of country footballers they have to leave their families and work, but if they want a future at the highest level, then they've got to make those decisions.

WF: Who's the best player you've seen or played with?

RIOLI: There's no doubt it was Stephen Michael until Gary Ablett came along. Ablett's unbelievable. The things he's done, the marks he's taken; I've never seen anyone able to do all of that. He's the best player in Australia and he should not be played across the half-back-line. He should be in attack, at centre-half-forward or full-forward.

WF: What's your assessment of South Fremantle?

RIOLI: The players don't appear to be as fit as they were at the same time last year and our performance this season depends a lot on their attitude. They've got to realise that things just won't happen for them. If they do sit back and think that, then we've got problems. Instead of winning easily, we're going to have to fight all the way. That's a trap the club could fall into if we don't put in the hard work that we did last year. From what I've seen so far, the attitude's not the same as last year and the quicker the players pick up their fitness and realise they've got to work at their game, the better it will be for us.

WF: How does Stan Magro rate against your other coaches?

RIOLI: Stan's an honest, no-nonsense coach. He's respected by a lot of players, myself included. He's inexperienced compared to some of my other coaches like Mal Brown, who's been around a bit, Mike Patterson and Tony Jewell. Stan works hard and puts a lot of effort into his training and matches; he has a lot to offer.

WF: Do you think Craig Edwards was hard done by in not getting a chance in AFL ranks?

RIOLI: I don't know how he'd go as a ruckman. He'd probably do okay as a centre-half-forward or full-forward with the odd run in the ruck. It's hard for me to speculate, but he's been hard done by because of his knees. I would have liked him to at least get a chance.

WF: Have you any coaching aspirations of your own?

RIOLI: I'd like to coach in the future, either in the WASFL or AFL. I did coach up in Darwin this year and that was a great experience. Up until then I had only worked with juniors. It depends how things work out.

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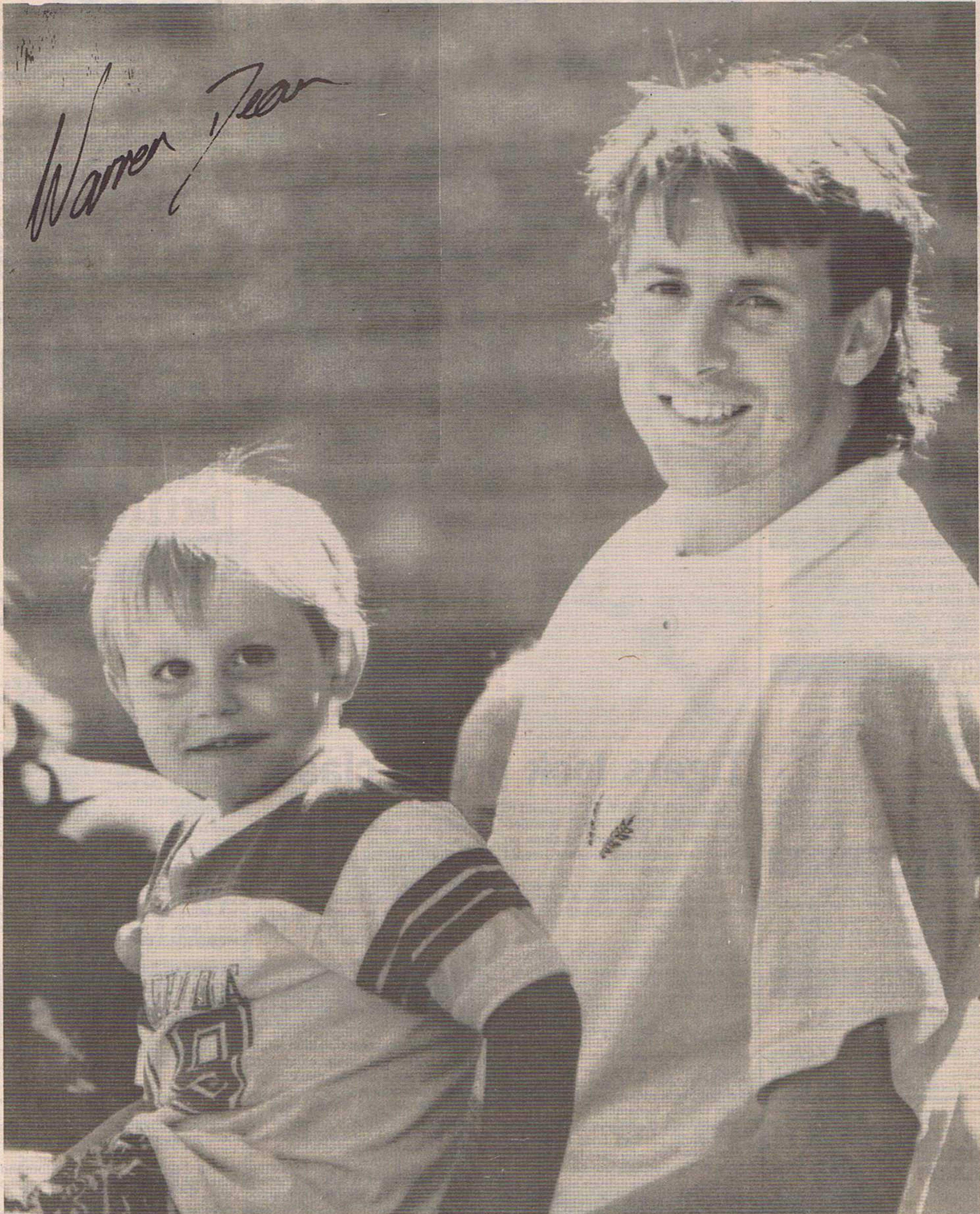
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Fans make it tough for Guy

THE parochial, one-eyed and totally biased St Kilda supporters obviously decided to stage a tribunal "re-trial" at Moorabbin last Saturday.

The healthy crowd of just over 26,000 fans showed their total unsportsman-like style — which is what Victorian football is all about — by booing Eagles champion Guy McKenna every time he went near the ball.

Last year's incident — where McKenna was KO'd by the Saints overweight full forward Tony Lockett — left the Eagle out cold and the Saint out of action for a few weeks as a result of the subsequent suspension.

On Saturday, the Saints fans found McKenna "guilty" in their re-trial and wanted his blood.

The continued booing didn't seem to worry McKenna, but while the Saints tactics left a lot to be desired, they are (unfortunately) very much part of our game.

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100 GAMES

99 Andrew Lockyer (Eagles)*
97 Tony Beers (Claremont)*
96 Tony Beers (Claremont)
96 Andrew Macnish (Eagles)*
95 Brad Collard (South Fremantle)

*Denotes that tally includes games with more than current club as follows: Andrew Lockyer — 52 Eagles, 47 East Fremantle; Tony Beers — 95 Claremont, 1 Collingwood; Andrew Macnish — 20 Eagles, 76 Subiaco.

150 GAMES

149 Peter Wilson (Eagles)*
145 Steve Malaxos (Claremont)

*Denotes that tally includes games with more than current club as follows: Peter Wilson — 54 Richmond, 94 East Fremantle, 1 Eagles.

200 GAMES

198 Dwayne Lamb (Eagles)*
193 Murray Rance (Eagles)*

* Denotes that tally includes games with more than current club as follows: Dwayne Lamb — 64 Eagles, 134 Subiaco; Murray Rance — 41 Eagles, 40 Footscray, 112 Swan Districts.

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BEGO'S BACK



Tony Begovich...his scintillating form on a half-back-flank for Claremont last weekend was a message for West Coast Eagles selectors

TONY Begovich, the tough-as-nails Claremont and now West Coast Eagle defender, missed last year's grand final victory because of injury. But he certainly made a welcome return to Subiaco Oval last week.

He gave an outstanding performance on a half-back-flank against Subiaco, especially in the first half when he continually set up attacking moves from defence. He approached the football with great tenacity and speed.

Begovich had an interrupted preparation to the season because of a holiday around Australia. But he has worked extremely hard on the training track and after missing the last two weeks with injury, he looks set for a top season with Claremont.

And that form should help him put pressure on for a try-out in the Eagles side.

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STEVE'S BACK IN STYLE

IT was good to see West Coast Eagles skipper Steve Malaxos back in action last Saturday.

It has been a disappointing and frustrating start for both Malaxos and the Eagles with him missing the opening two games as a result of an unfortunate incident at the beach.

His exhibition of ruck-rovng for Claremont was an excellent competitive return and he was most constructive with his handball; finishing with 36 possessions in just over three quarters of football.

Malaxos slotted back into the Claremont machine perfectly; like he had never been away. But unfortunately for the Tigers, it will only be for the one week as he's needed elsewhere!

Tigers look pretty classy

LAST week I selected Claremont to take out the 1990 WASFL premiership and my first look at them on Saturday convinced me that I could be on a winner.

The Tigers completely demolished Subiaco with their method, hard running in numbers to the ball and their superior disposal.

While Claremont have suffered many player-loses, coach Gerard Neesham still has a nice blend of young up-and-coming talent and experience at his disposal.

The experience of John Scott, Tony Beers, Cam Lewis, Mark Hann, Kevin Mitchell and Darrell Panizza, plus David O'Connell when available, is a good blend for young players like Tony Evans, Peter Mann (top effort at centre-half-forward last Saturday) and Jeremy Guard, to name a few.

This year the Tigers have already successfully blooded Todd Ridley and Jason Norrish, who have been impressive in the opening two games.

Ridley kicked three goals and displayed strong athletic ability to mark, run and dispose of the football with skill. Norrish played in the centre and covered enormous ground, displaying good pace and effective use of the ball.

If dual Simpson Medal winner Peter Thorne could be persuaded to rejoin the club, he would complement a very efficient Tigers line-up.

Media men miss the mark

WITH all due respect to fellow columnists Robert Bennett and Bill Matherbrown, I thought their comments last week on Eagles coach Mick Malthouse were off the mark.

While I'm not looking for a verbal squabble with them or to defend Malthouse, there is another side to the story.

Bennett refers to the Eagles players being put in "quarantine" in relation to the media. But maybe the local media have been spoilt, myself included, over the years.

The approach by the Eagles to attempt to keep their players isolated before and after the matches is totally in line with other AFL clubs — and has been the Victorian way of footy life for years.

How does Bennett or any of his other "locked-out" media colleagues get on when they try to enter opposition AFL rooms an hour or so before the game, or immediately after the match?

Cable boys settle in

THE move by the Cable boys, Shane and Barry, to Subiaco was a big change in their football lives, but both seem to have settled in well. Barry played well in the reserves last Saturday against Claremont and Shane, particularly in the second half, showed good form in the league team.

Subiaco have recruited boldly this season and will obviously hope that the brothers can produce good form.



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Does WA need live telecasts

Viewpoint



with
Claremont Coach
GERARD NEESHAM

ARE live telecasts good or bad for WA football?

That's a fairly controversial question right now.

The opening-game replay of last year's grand-final between Claremont and South Fremantle attracted only 4200 people, compared to the 40,000 who attended the grand final encounter last season.

Admittedly, there was a premiership cup going to the victors of that September battle, but one wonders whether we are breeding a nation of lounge-room or bar-room spectators.

SPONSORSHIP

The benefits to the clubs of live telecasts are linked directly to sponsorship. But in this tough economic climate, even with this added exposure for sponsors, the monetary benefits seem slim.

There might have been an extra 2000 people at the Claremont-South Fremantle game had there not been a live telecast. This alone would generate around \$10,000 extra in gate receipts.

But there are other benefits of having extra people at the grounds that go directly to the game.

Bigger crowds create a better atmosphere for the players and will eventually lead to a higher standard of foot-

ball, just by the pressure the crowd creates.

On any weekend for the next 24 weeks, the football follower can view up to 10 hours of footy action from around Australia, beamed right into the lounge-room. As much as exposure is good for our sport, the single ingredient that is not present in the lounge-room is the affinity that the supporter develops for his or her colours.

To be able to go along and vent your feelings freely; to enjoy the highs and support the club through the lows is part of being a supporter.

EXULTATION

There is nothing greater than to be involved with a club that has won a premiership. The exultation doesn't consist of just what happened on grand final day, but it permeates from a long-term support and reaches its pinnacle on that day.

Ask the people at Subiaco what they talked about following their premiership win in 1986 and I'm sure they would have not only dissected the grand-final, but every game for the previous 13 years.

Our great game needs to monitor closely the balance between television and live support. To cater for TV only could solve some monetary problems — but leave our traditional clubs hollow shells; devoid of supporters.

WESTSIDE WINNERS

WESTSIDE Football have given away hundreds of dollars worth of prizes to lucky readers who have joined our subscription list already this year.

The major prize of an SGIO motor vehicle insurance policy to the value of \$200 went to Ross Weckert, of Grass Patch, while Kevin Payne, of Woodlands, wins a luxury weekender for two at the Quality Langley Plaza Hotel in Adelaide Terrace.

David Bissett, of Balga, wins a dinner for two at Occasions Restaurant in Northbridge, valued at \$80 and eight subscribers who won WASFL memberships with their club are — Bill Rawlins, Forrestfield; Mark Benson, Waikiki; David Russell, Bayswater; Clayden Whittle, Eden Hill; J. Elsegood, City Beach; Thomas Gill, Lathlain; R. Ellis, Morley, Arthur Povah, Scarborough.

Winners of Burley footballs are — Antony Priddy, Melville; R. Lind, Tuart Hill; Kevin Stewart, Floreat Park; Ron Stemp, Jardee; Natalie Clark, Scarborough, David Van Der Watt, Forrestfield.

Four readers who win \$25 subscription refunds are R. Polak, Willetton; A. Hanton, West Brunswick, Victoria; Kevin Buckland, Viveash, Pauline Taylor, Mundaring.

C. Playforth, of Marangaroo, will be Westside Football's VIP guest at Subiaco Oval to watch the Eagles play and winners

of a dinner for two at Mamma Maria's, valued at \$50, are Ron and Ann-Marie Teale, of Merredin.

EVANS SITS ONE OUT

CLAREMONT star Tony Evans was a highly impressed spectator at Subiaco Oval last Saturday as he watched his team-mates destroy the Lions by 57 points.

Evans, a West Coast Eagle draftee last November, was forced out of football action for a week with a virus and one wonders how much the Tigers would have won by had the classy ruck-rover taken the field.

Evans, close to Claremont's best in the first game of the season against South Fremantle, missed only his third game of league football since making his debut at the start of the 1989 season.

"Watching from the grandstand, there's not a weak link in the whole side," he said as the reigning premiers put another nail in Subiaco's coffin.

Where are our full-forwards?

WHERE have those dynamic full-forwards of the past gone?

Names such as Bernie Naylor, Austin Robertson, Warren Ralph, Simon Beasley and Murray Couper don't seem to have been replaced on the local scene by any notable forwards of similar status.

The WA league goal-kicking award last year was won by a half-forward flanker come forward pocket specialist in Neil Lester-Smith, a good forward, but in all due respect, not a classic goalscorer.

Looking across the border at the AFL, we see players such as Jason Dunstall, Tony Lockett and Gary Ablett, all of whom can kick in excess of 10 goals in any one game.

We do have some local forwards capable of kicking a bag of 10, but you wouldn't expect them to do it twice in a season.

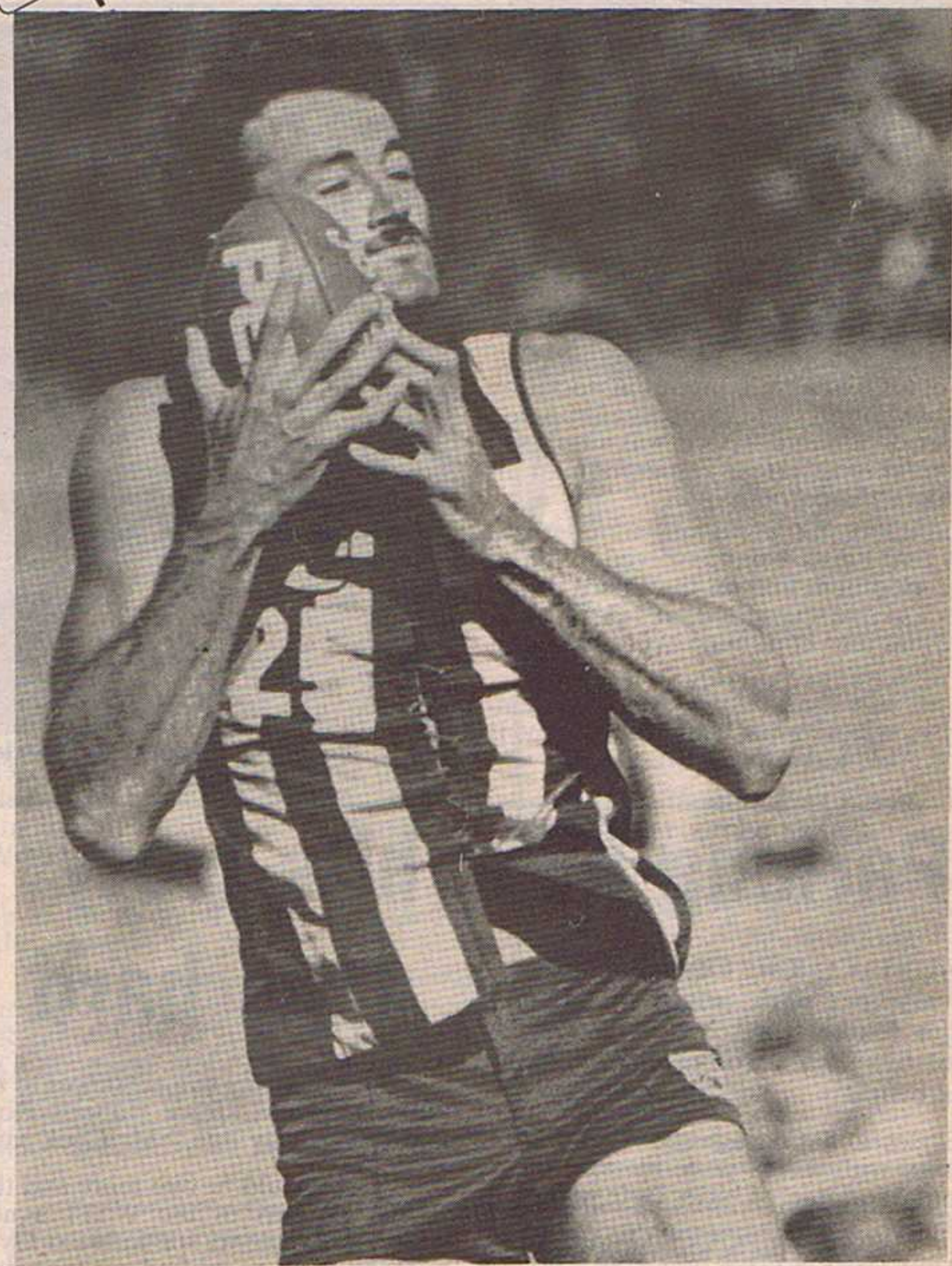
My tip for the leading goal-kicker this season is veteran former team-mate Brian Peake and a tally of around 80 goals should see him add that title to his illustrious career record.



Simon Beasley...champion Swan Districts and Footscray full-forward, gone, but not forgotten



PHOTO ACTION



Giant West Coast Eagle ruckman Laurie Keene made a welcome return to football action with Subiaco in round one of the season and he is just starting to regain some of the touch which made him one of the most valuable big men in the game. Keene, recovering from an Achilles tendon injury, was well held at full-forward last Saturday by Claremont defender Peter Owens, but with a safe pair of hands and a booming drop kick, plus his ruck skills, he looms as a major asset for the Eagles.



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VIDEO GAMES ARE COSTLY

THE new system of reporting players by video tape cost the West Coast Eagles, the AFL and individual players a deal of time, money and inconvenience last Saturday.

On arrival in Melbourne last Friday, on the eve of the Eagles-St Kilda clash, it came as no surprise to see the Melbourne newspapers dominated by headlines on the new reporting laws.

The AFL had just unveiled plans to have an extensive search of all video



Karl Langdon...frivolous report

And now the umpires are under pressure

tape replays in its quest to eradicate behind-the-play incidents and other breaches of the law.

Naturally, the AFL Players Association considered that things were being taken too far and several of the game's leading lights vented their disapproval.

AVALANCHE

Then the weekend saw an avalanche of reports presented by umpires and, if the game at Moorabbin is anything to go, most were a waste of time and energy.

The report of Karl Langdon for allegedly striking St Kilda's Tim Pekin was, at the time, the most frivolous report I have ever seen.

That was surpassed in frivolity about an hour later when St Kilda half-forward Ricky Nixon was pinched for allegedly striking Chris Mainwaring. It was simply a high tackle.

But rather than blame the umpires for the flood of reports, we must look at the reason — and the answer is simple.

They are under pressure to take action against anything remotely reportable because of the trial by video set-up.

CONSEQUENCE

If a player is sent to meet the tribunal as a result of what AFL investigator Max Croxford finds when he examines a video tape, then the umpires must face the consequences. If that player is found guilty and subsequently suspended, the umpire will almost certainly be dropped.

The new system is placing far too much pressure on the umpires to make reports.

The reports of Langdon and Nixon were two glaring examples of over-umpiring and the men in white should not need to endure that type of added pressure.

And nor should players, clubs and tribunal panels be forced to waste their time with stupid reports.

The bookings meant that Langdon and Mainwaring could not return to Perth with the rest of their teammates on Saturday night. Instead, they had to stay in Melbourne, go before a tribunal hearing on Sunday morning and then come home.

Langdon, who has already built up something of a record with the tribunal, was put through some nervous moments that he need not have endured.

by
Gary Stocks
of The West Australian



If anything, his tackle on former Fitzroy star Tim Pekin was a fraction of a second late, but a relayed free-kick was the only penalty it warranted.

PAROCHIAL

The parochial St Kilda stand objected loudly to the treatment of Pekin and perhaps umpire Chris Mitchell was caught up in the emotion of the situation.

Without seeing the other incidents, it is difficult to comment. But certainly the number of players who appeared before the tribunal this week was cause for great concern.

One of the outstanding features of Australian Football used to be the game's toughness. But it is being videoed out of the game. Crowds overreact to physical clashes and, in turn, umpires are too hasty to pull out their notebooks and pencils.

Football survived for 100 years without the use of video tapes to snare infringing players, so why should they be required now?

Honour for Somervaille

THE West Australian Football Commission has recognised one of football's outstanding workers, J. D. (Slim) Somervaille, a former president of East Perth and Umpires Association stalwart.

At the annual Umpires Association presentation night, Somervaille, a veteran of 30 years service, was awarded a special certificate of recognition for his outstanding work.

Somervaille was a long-time servant of East Perth, being involved in junior development and on the Board of Directors. He served as president in 1981-82 and then continued his work at umpiring level.

He was chairman of the WAFL umpires selection panel and at present is the AFL Umpiring Officer.



Slim Somervaille accepts his special award

Parking hike hits footy fans hard

A SUBIACO City Council decision to raise car park prices to \$4 for major football matches at Subiaco Oval has angered West Coast Eagles officials ... and the public.

Eagles and Collingwood fans were greeted with the \$1 price increase last Sunday and it left a bitter taste in their mouths.

They felt the price hike was totally unwarranted and some vowed never to return, claiming that the local council was just getting even with football over the Subiaco Oval lease dispute.

Eagles general manager Brian Cook said the whole issue of parking needed to be addressed.

"We're not happy with the increase," he said.

"It raises the cost of the public's day out and for families, that is already a fair sum of money."

Mr Cook added the Eagles were in the same boat. The club is required to pay the same sum for players' and officials' parking bays.

NEGOTIATIONS

He said these costs and the overall problem of parking around the Subiaco Oval was under negotiation with the city council.

"There are only two entrances to the parking area — from Roberts Road and the railway line," Mr Cook said.

"There should be one more and this should be part of the WAFC's new lease arrangements for Subiaco Oval, but they won't be ratified until the June sitting of State Parliament."


Subiaco City Council administration and community services officer, Carol Wright said the price rise was not unreasonable.

"There hasn't been an increase for two years," she said.

"We would like it to go up in smaller jumps, but with so many vehicles coming through at one time, there would be real problems if the attendants had to juggle small sums of change."


The council has a two-tier parking premium for Subiaco Oval. Parking at SFL matches and practice games is just \$3 in Mueller and Kitchener Parks, while Eagles and State matches are \$4.


"The funds go to charities, with 20 per cent of the revenue from the big games paying for council's Park'n'Ride commercials."



MILLER'S MARK

Claremont full-back Peter Owens takes a strong overhead mark, watched by team-mate Scott Edwards (No 8) and Subiaco's Laurie Keene and Shane Cable






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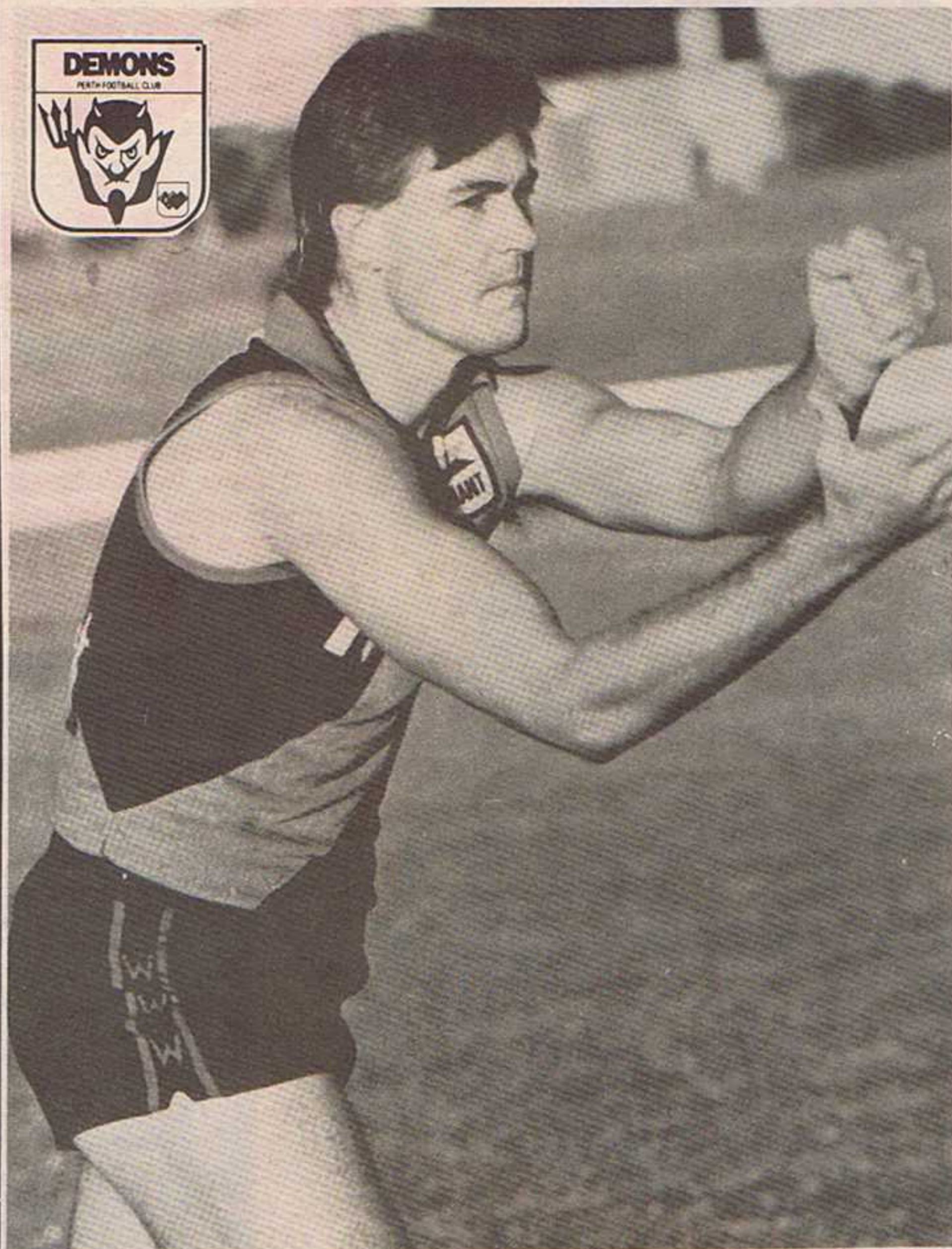


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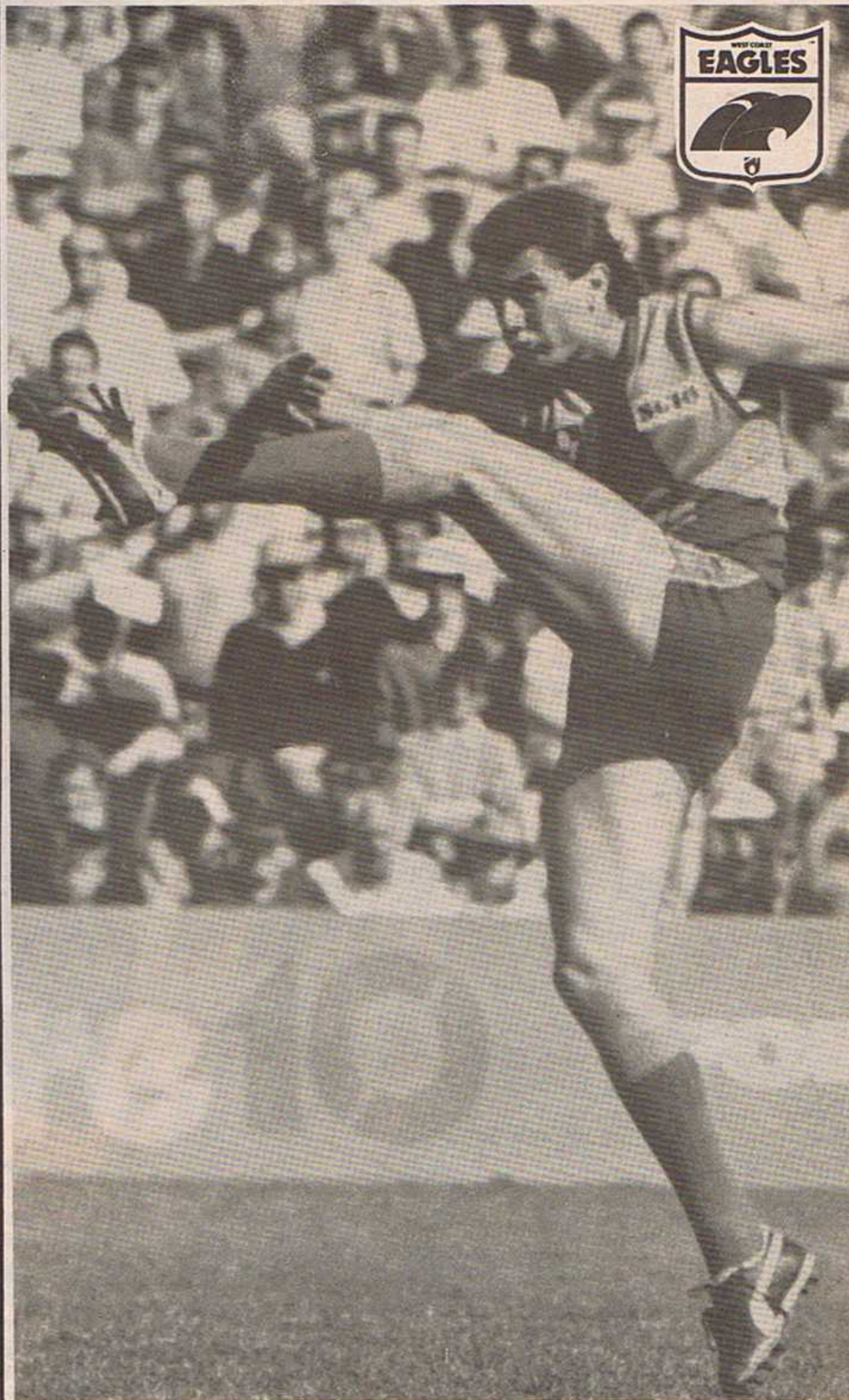


Nickname: **Grub** Why? Had it since my school days
Date of Birth: **27.12.60** Place of Birth: **Mt Lawley**
Height: **193cms** Weight: **92kgs**
Age started playing: **7**
Previous club/s: **St Kilda, Melbourne Junior club: Queens Park**
Marital status: **Married to Debbie** Children: **Gemma 5, Carli 3**
Residence: **Leeming**
Occupation: **Sales Executive** Place of work: **Tomasetti Paper**
Other sporting interests: **Basketball, golf**
Favourite position: **Centre half-forward** First position: **Ruck**
League debut: **1979** Versus: **South Fremantle**

FAVOURITES:

Actor: **Clint Eastwood**
Drink: **Beer**
TV show: **All comedies** Food: **Mexican**
Movie: **Wall Street Music: Rolling Stones**
Book: —
Holiday resort: **Bali**
Ground: **MCG**
Your Car: **Ford**
Favourite car: **BMW**
Career Highlights: **League debuts at Perth and Melbourne**
Worst moment in Football: **Getting a knee injury in 1987 which made me miss Melbourne's finals series**
Hard things in Football: **Pre-season, consistency**
Football idols: —
Toughest opponent: **Simon Madden**
Most respected opponent: **Simon Madden**
Most memorable game: **Beating Footscray in the last game of the 1987 season to make the finals with Melbourne**
Ambitions: **To play in a Perth premiership side**
What do you like about football: **The people you meet**
How do you mentally prepare for a game: **Treat it the same as every other day**
Who influenced your career: **Ken Armstrong, Malcolm Brown**
Guernsey number: **19**
Superstitions: —
Worst injury: **Knee**
Luckiest break: **Trying out at Melbourne**

Peter Sumich

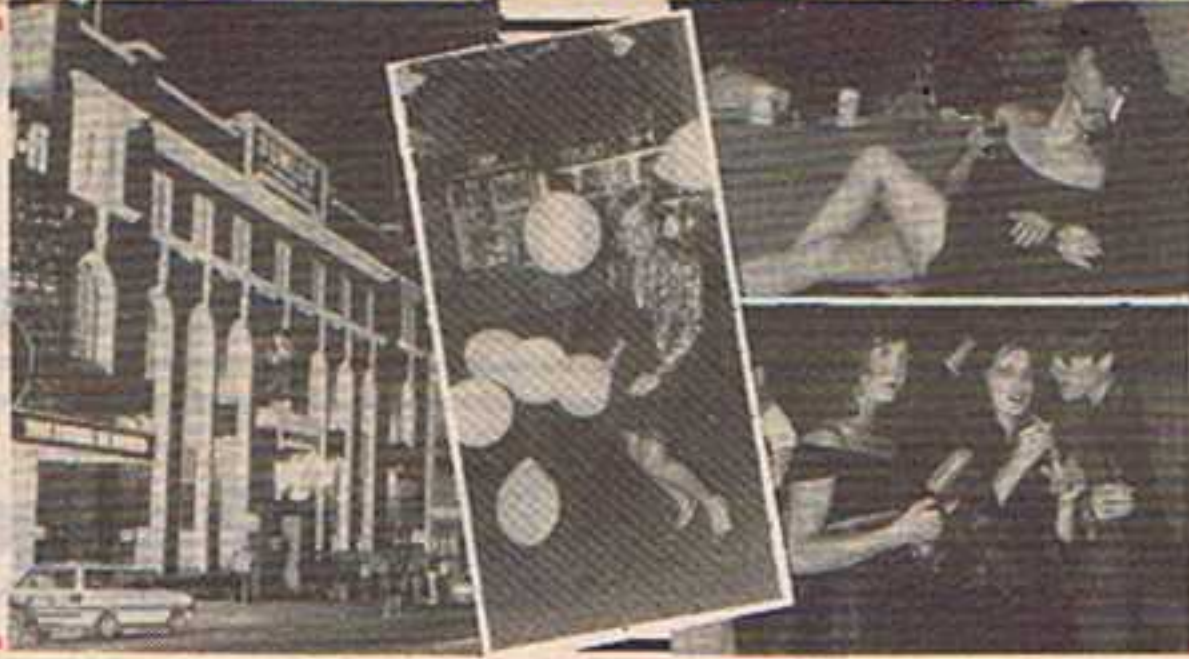


NICK NAME: **Suma**
FAVOURITE POSITION: **Centre-half-forward**
CURRENT POSITION: **Full forward**
NUMBER: **4**
DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: **11.1.68**
Fremantle
RECRUITED FROM: **South Fremantle**
HEIGHT: **191cms** WEIGHT: **89kgs**
FIRST SENIOR GAME: **1985 South Fremantle vs Perth, 1989 Eagles vs Essendon**
GAMES PLAYED: **21 Eagles, 57 SF, 2 WA**
FOOTBALL HONOURS: **1985 Teal Cup, 1985 All Australian Teal Cup, State-of-Origin 1989**
MARRIED: **No**
OCCUPATION: **Market buyer**
SCHOOL'S ATTENDED: **St Brendan's College**
CAR: **XA Falcon sedan**
FAVOURITE PASTIMES/HOBBIES: **Backing the horses**
FAVOURITE FOOD: **Soup**

FAVOURITE DRINK: **Caruba rum and coke**
FAVOURITE SPORT (OTHER SPORTS): **Cricket**
FAVOURITE SINGER/GROUP: **Brian Ferry**
FAVOURITE TV SHOW: **The Cosby Show**
FAVOURITE MOVIE: **Twins**
BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: **Dad**
MOST ADMIRED FOOTBALLER: **Stephen Michael**
OPPONENTS YOU ADMIRE: **Tony Beers and David Rhys-Jones**
MATCH DAY ROUTINE: **I work in the morning, relax and watch t.v.**
BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: **Losing any game of football**
FOOTBALL INJURIES: **None**
BIGGEST THRILL: **1985 Teal Cup win, playing in the 1988 first semi-final with Souths.**
MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: **1988 first semi-final**
FOOTBALL AMBITION: **Win an AFL grand final**

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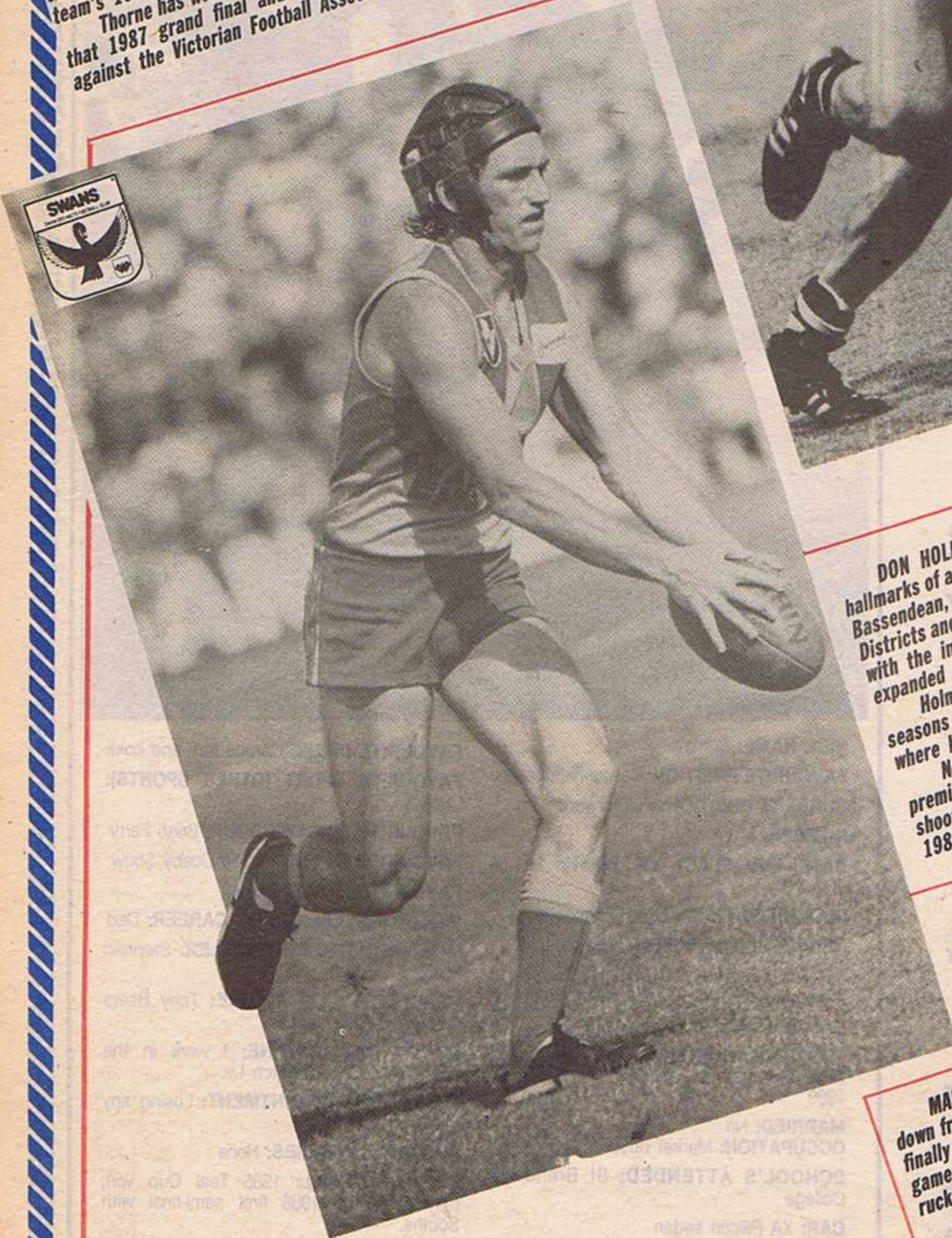
EVERY summer sees a select group of experience inevitable decision . . . retirement time.

The aches and pains that are associated with players decide that it's time to hang up the old

The summer between last year's grand final and that retirement decision and this week Westside Football's graced out football arenas for a number of years.

While comebacks are not ruled out in relation to farewell to those senior men who stepped off the field

PETER THORNE (Claremont): A football wanderer who picked up kicks all over Australia, he started with Melbourne in 1978. He made a real impact when he moved West and joined East Perth, playing 34 games before heading back to Victoria to add to his VFL career. After notching a few more games with Melbourne, to take his games-played tally with the Demons to 27, he was on the move again. Claremont was the target in 1985 and the elusive ruck-rover became an integral part of the Claremont revival, fitting neatly into the plans of new captain-coach Gerard Neesham and sharing in the team's 1987 and '89 premierships. Thorne has won two Simpson Medals; one for the best player in that 1987 grand final and another for his performance for WA against the Victorian Football Association in 1988.



DON HOLMES (Swan Districts): Courage and skill were the hallmarks of a career that started in 1978. After a junior career with Bassendean, it was only a short step up to league ranks with Swan Districts and the start of a senior career that culminated in selection with the inaugural West Coast Eagles squad when WA joined the expanded VFL competition. Holmes had to work hard for his VFL games, playing 23 in four seasons and mixing his time between the Eagles and Swan Districts where he finished with a career tally of 153. Now aged 31, Holmes was a member of Swans hat-trick of premierships in 1982-3-4 and he earned a reputation as a sharp-shooting and clever goalkicker, being the club's leading scorer in 1986.

MAL BENNETT started with West Perth in 1981, having come down from country town Nungarin. But he struggled for recognition, finally shifting across town to East Perth in 1987 where he played 53 games and established a reputation as a hard-working and tireless ruckman. Now 28, Bennett has opted for country football — much to East Perth's disappointment.



GREG CARPENTER (Subiaco): A champion needed to find football success. It was his graduation from Albany to join accolades of the media as their choice of player for that season.

But after 56 games in four seasons of Subiaco where his career really blossomed of Haydn Bunton. A fast-running wingman, of the side in their 1988 premiership.

Only just 28, Carpenter is involved in a responsible position as a hand-capper and played tally at 84, he has opted for a



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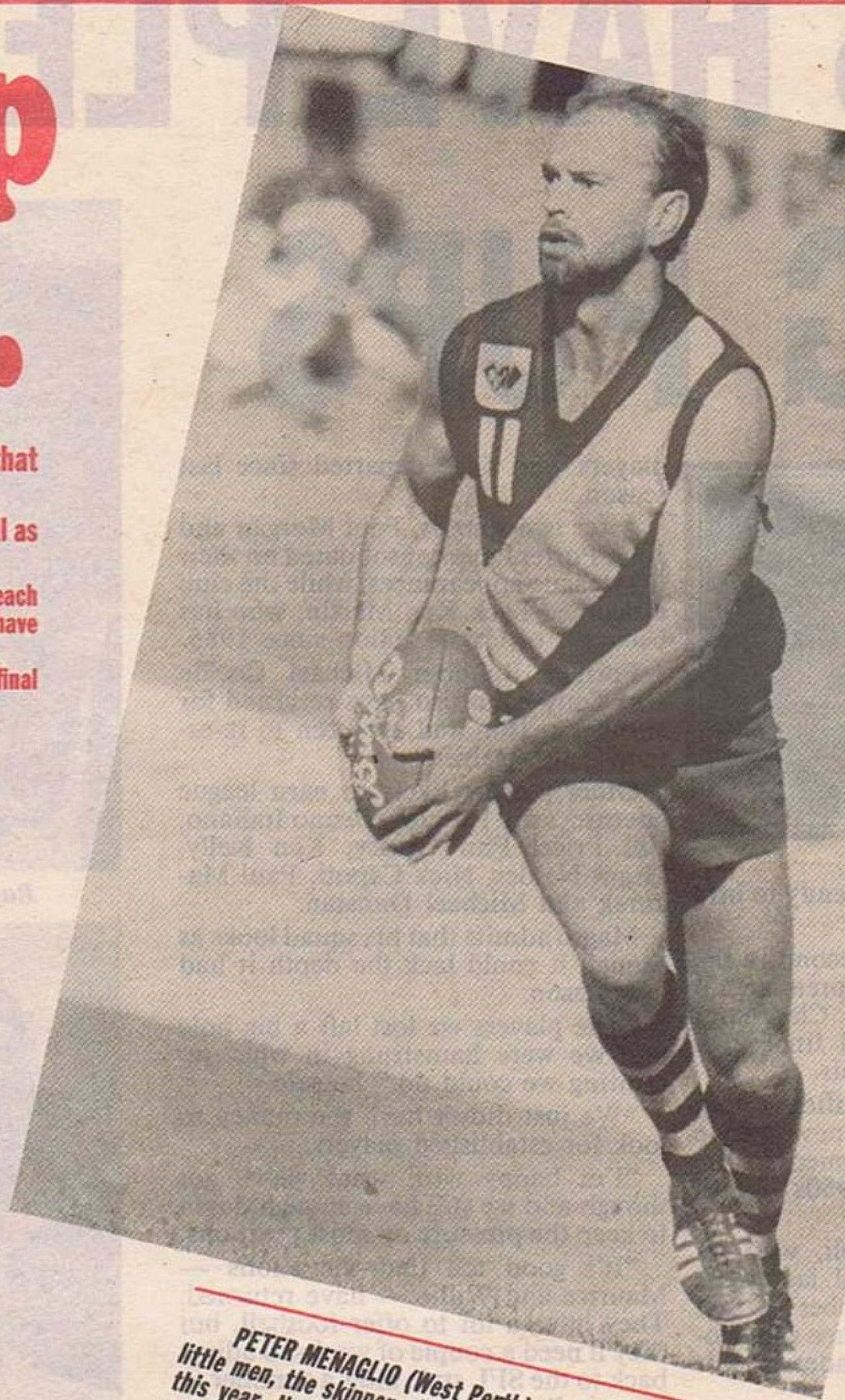
in relation to several of these players, this is the final off the field for the last time in 1989.



biaco): A change of clubs was the recipe cess. It was back in 1982 that the young Albany to join East Perth and earned the heir choice of the Footballer-of-the-Future

in four seasons, Carpenter switched to ally blossomed under the astute coaching ning wingman, he graduated to be captain premiership.

er is involved with the WA Turf Club in a handicapper and with his Subiaco games: opted for a business career.



GERARD NEESHAM (Claremont): Started his career at East Fremantle in 1975 and played 42 games before opting out of football and travelling the world, representing Australia in water polo at the same time. On his return he rejoined his initial coach, John Todd, as Bassendean Oval, where he played 97 games, featuring prominently in the club's 1983 and '84 premierships after spending the 1982 season in Sydney, notching nine games with the re-located South Melbourne team, the Sydney Swans.
In 1985 he returned to his old ground at East Fremantle and made it three premierships in a row as he helped Ron Alexander's Sharks to a flag. After extending his East Fremantle games tally to 79, he accepted the captain-coach role at Claremont and found immediate success, winning a premiership in 1987 with his fifth successive grand final appearance — with three different clubs. Neesham repeated the premiership effort last year, ending his Claremont career on 41 games, for a final league tally of 226 games. He was a dual fairest and best winner at Swans and represented WA three times; coaching the State team as well in 1988.

PETER MENAGLIO (West Perth): One of the game's most skilled little men, the skipper of three years made a late-decision to retire this year. Now 31, the Tuart Hill schoolteacher turned real estate salesman was one of Leederville's favourite sons. A gifted footballer, he graduated to senior ranks in 1977 and despite his rather small fragile-looking frame, he withstood the physical punishment for the next 13 years.
His retirement decision comes after 235 games during which time he seldom sampled the spirited feeling of finals football. Only once did he enjoy a finals victory — the first semi-final in 1982 — but last year's tremendous draw in the first semi with East Fremantle was a career highlight.
A three-time winner of his club's fairest and best award, Menaglio earned State selection four times.

SCOTT ROWLAND was another country player who succeeded in the city. He came down from Geraldton in 1985 to join East Fremantle and though he missed the Sharks premiership of that year, he did taste a grand final in 1986, albeit a losing experience.
After 74 games with East Fremantle, Rowland made a mid-season change of clubs to Claremont in 1989 and that move gave him the premiership he was after. With just 11 Tigers games to his credit, he featured in their 1989 grand final victory — and still aged only 26, he has opted to return to his previous life in the country.



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Phil Clancy...waiting his turn

SOUTH Fremantle are ready to bite back angrily in 1990.

The Bulldogs finished second in the battle for the 1989 minor premiership and then second again to Claremont when they lost the grand final in a surprisingly one-sided affair.

But South fans are confident that their team can herald the new decade the same way they welcomed in the 1980s, the 1970s and the 1950s — with a premiership.

Evergreen Maurice Rioli, who returned to Fremantle Oval last week from Darwin, was a member of that 1980 team and his experience will provide invaluable on-field leadership for Stan Magro's side.

YOUNG TALENT

There is an abundance of new faces at the port club, with plenty of young talent striving to replace the 10 league

players who have departed since last season.

After two rounds, Paul Morgan and John Porter have consolidated on their first league appearances, while the club welcomed back Ken Martin, who has been out of league action since 1985.

Former Bulldogs Michael Cockie and Tony Amoroso have returned for another season and are keen to re-establish themselves.

Other players likely to earn league guernseys are Ray Joy, Bruno Italiano, Bill Price, Phil Clancy, Ken Kelly, Grant Nalder, Nick Caputi, Paul Mazurek and Michael Dunstan.

Magro admits that his squad looks as though it could lack the depth it had last season.

"The players we lost left a big hole and we were hamstrung in what recruiting we could do," he said.

"We just didn't have the money to look for established players.

"I'm happy with what we've got though and we still have enough depth to keep the pressure on most positions.

"It's good too that the Riolis — Maurice and Willie — have returned. They have a lot to offer football, but they'll need a couple of weeks to adjust back to the SFL style after a summer in Darwin."

AGGRESSIVE

Joy and Italiano are aggressive ruck-rovers from Dumbleyung and Harvey respectively. Both showed out in pre-season games and seem ideally suited for SFL ranks.

Clancy, a rover or centreman, played with South Fremantle reserves in 1989 and he should emerge this season, together with other mosquito men Kelly and Mazurek.

The possible loss of Dean Irving could be a major blow for Magro, especially if Stevan Jackson earns a recall to the Eagles as he regains form. The following division could be a little light-on, even though the presence of Sandover Medallist Craig Edwards is a major boost.

His back-up includes young Steven Grant and Martin Atkins, who both debuted last season and rookies Price, Nalder (a brother of league ruckman Dean) and Caputi and all of them should get a taste of senior football as the year progresses.

Gone are Matt Sambrailo (study), John Ditchburn, Richard Lynch, Graham Kickett, Doug Gibb, Paul and Dean Wilson (all retired), Richard Geary (Victoria) and Peter Matera and Irving (West Coast Eagles).



Ray Joy...aggressive rover



Paul Morgan...sharp shooter



Bill Price...country recruit



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Demons are so determined...

A THREE-year plan by new coach Tom Mullooly to rejuvenate Perth to the football power they were in the 1970s has not been dampened by two defeats in the opening two State Football League matches.

The programme got underway when Perth took on John Todd's Swan Districts in the opening game when the Demons went within three points of victory.

That defeat, followed by another to South Fremantle last weekend, has left Mullooly and his charges even more determined.

Perth scored one of the biggest pre-season coups in the WASFL when they regained the services of ruckman Steve Turner, who left Lathlain Park for Victoria after the 1985 season with 93 games with the Demons to his name.



Shane Renfree...handy recruit

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Turner (29) played 45 games with St Kilda before moving to Melbourne, where a knee injury kept him out of the 1987 finals series when the Victorian Demons were ousted by Hawthorn in the last kick of the preliminary final.

DOMINATED

Turner dominated ruck duels during pre-season at Lathlain Park and together with league regulars John Gavranich and Ian Newman, the Demons boast a talented ruck department. Turner missed the first game of the season through business commitments, but he lined up for Perth last Saturday.

"He has added a bit more depth and there is a lot of pressure among the guys for a game," Mullooly said.

"Steve has given us more marking power and flexibility around the ground as he can play at centre-half-forward or out of a back pocket."

Perth also have lively rover Steve Lally back at the club after a stint with South Australian side Central District.

"Steve is a great acquisition who has added depth to our roving department, which we lacked last year," Mullooly said.

"He is a rover who can kick goals and link the game up, which has added another dimension to our play."

SUNDAY LEAGUE

The Demons went looking for forwards over the summer and Mullooly's Sunday League experience as coach of Canning in 1988 led him to big Maddington forward Paul Tolan.

Tolan (23) made an instant pre-season impression when he kicked eight goals in a practice match, though he has only kicked three goals in the first two games of the season. He is a key position player who has the ability to take a strong mark and his conversion rate is high.

"I watched Paul last year in the Sunday League and he always had the ability to take strong marks under pressure. Every time I saw him he kicked about six goals a game," Mullooly said.

Another Sunday League recruit is Maddington 20-year-old Shane McIntyre, who Mullooly describes as an exciting prospect.

"The thing Shane has going for him is his raw ability. He's got very good skills, pace and he reads the ball well off hands," he said.

The third Maddington recruit to join the Demons is Russell Clark, who is still adjusting to the WASFL tempo at reserves level, but his dedication and determined attitude will be an asset when he breaks into the league side.

Know your club

by Tania Armstrong



Mullooly's talent scouting also gained Perth the services of pacy rover Paul Hill (25) from Sunday League premiers Gosnells.

SWANS RECRUIT

Shane Renfree (22) journeyed to Lathlain Park from Bassendean and his clearance from Swan Districts was due early this week. Renfree is an accomplished midfielder with a good blend of experience and skill and looms as a handy recruit for the Demons.

Tammin recruit Jude Doonan is something of an unknown prospect at present as he is fighting off a recurring hamstring injury and he is still about three weeks from returning to football action.

Another country recruit is Wyalkatchem ruck-rover or half-back Phil Hutchinson. Early in Perth's pre-season work, Hutchinson (21) was travelling to Perth for training and he has had to sacrifice life on the farm for a shot at league football.

Robert Thompson (20), from Cunderdin, has been performing well in the reserves and he is determined to succeed at Perth after contacting Mullooly early in January.

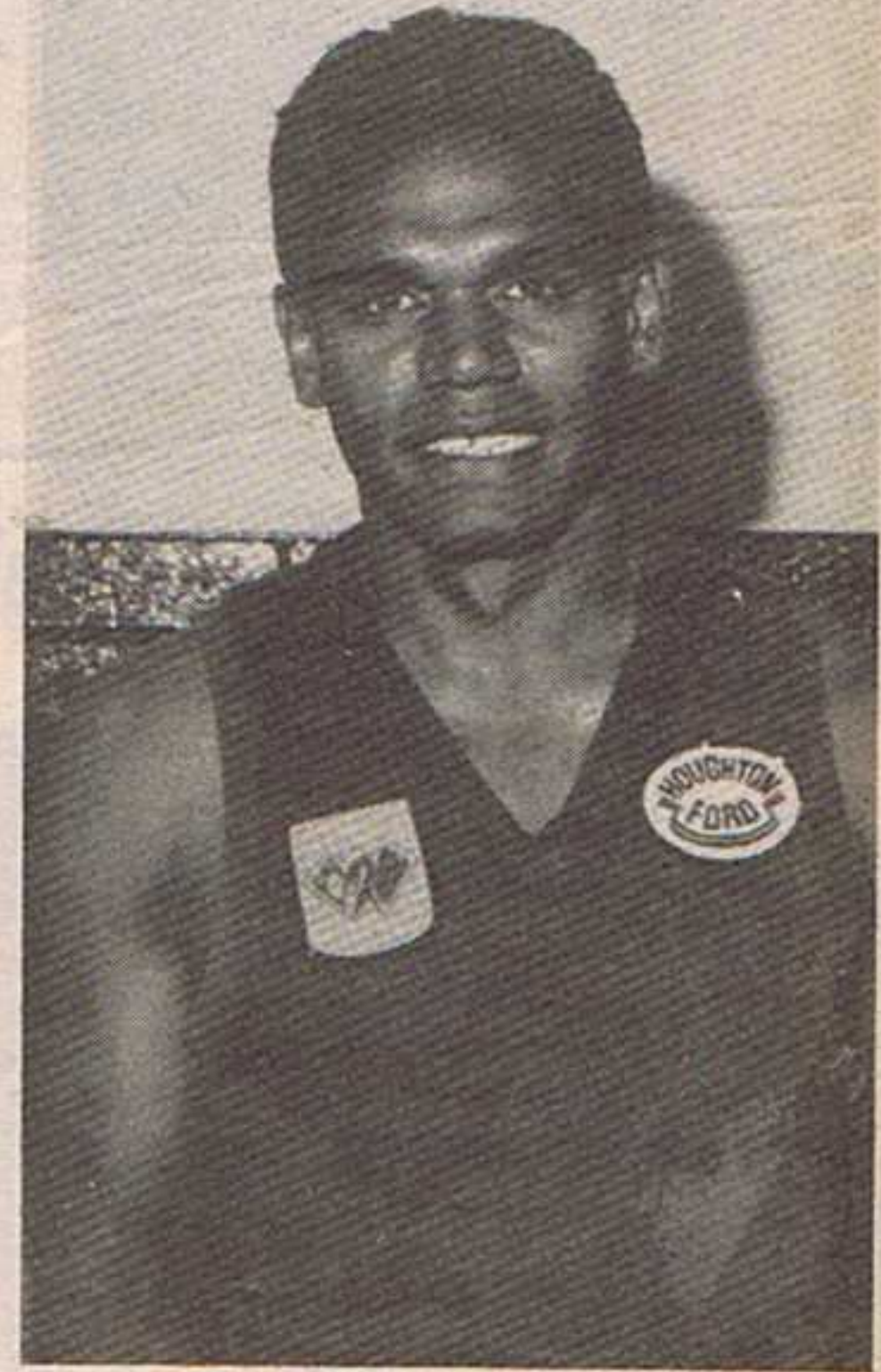
TEAM-MATES

Brookton's Bruce Williamson (25) made his league debut in the backline in the first match of the season after being recommended by Brookton coach Ross Fitzgerald, a former teammate of Mullooly.

Bill Skwirowski, who played alongside Mullooly in the backline of Swan Districts premierships teams of 1982 and 1984, coached Jamie Warnerford, another of Perth's country recruits, at York last season.

"He's very athletic, has a good skill level and he is still learning to adjust to the tempo in the city," Mullooly said.

Another recruit who has already made his league debut is defender Richard Allen (22) from St Josephs in Geelong and East Fremantle and West Coast Amateur utility player Shane Pill (23) has ventured to Lathlain Park to have another crack at league football.



Paul Hill...speedy rover

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TIGER TALENT . . . and it seems as though there's more to come

JUST what new talent will Claremont unearth in 1990?

That's the question on the lips of most football supporters following the success of coach Gerard Neesham in developing raw talent in recent seasons.

The ability to develop new stars has kept the Tigers at the pinnacle of the



Paul Burton...talented defender

WA competition...and nothing seems to have changed.

The inception of the West Coast Eagles and subsequent national drafts have robbed Claremont of enough talent to fill an entire AFL team. But they have still competed in every grand final since 1987, winning premierships in that year and again last season.

And that trend does not appear likely to alter this season.

GOOD START

The Tigers won every pre-season practice match and have accounted for South Fremantle and their bogey team of recent years, Subiaco — two clubs tipped as 1990 finalists — in the opening two rounds.

Neesham has already blooded rookies Jason Norrish, Greg O'Malley and Todd Ridley and has successfully blended some experience into the side in Joe Cormack (West Coast Eagles and Swan Districts) and former Tiger Darrell Panizza, back from Woodville in South Australia.

The return of John Hutton and Peter Owens after a year of injury trouble has added strength to the General's stable.

Norrish, a former Teal Cup player and son of former Tiger Greg Norrish, came from Hale School. He's a rover or centreman with the potential to equal the impact that Tony Evans had in his debut season last year.

Claremont have a host of new ball-getting players waiting for a league chance.



Greg O'Malley...impressive debut

Know your club

by George Temple



David Ham, a son of another former league player in Brian Ham, comes from Churchlands with good credentials, while Rob Malone, from Marist/Newman and Lee Sounness, from Scotch College, are two other high school products.

Paul Burton, from Mt Barker, made his only previous league appearance in 1988, but has rebounded this year with good performances across the half-back-line in both his 1990 senior games.

Claremont have an abundance of men capable of competing in the ruck, currently led by West Coast Eagle rookie Ryan Turnbull.

EXPERIENCE

Apart from fellow Eagles Peter Higgins (injured) and Peter Mann, they have Dean Farmer and Rob Fitzgerald, both with senior club experience.

In addition, Ashley Geneve, from North Beach, Alan Knight, from Kalgoorlie and Scott Robins, who was a big contributor in the Tigers colts team last season, are all pressing their league claims.

Knight is the biggest of this trio at 195cms and 95kgs. Geneve comes in at 192cms and 86kgs and Robins at 193cms and a lean 70kgs.

Albany recruit Damon Lukins, David Muir, from Scotch College, Ian

Higgins, from City Beach, Bill Gill, from Hawkes and Andrew McGovern, from Karrinyup, all show promise.

McGovern and Gill are tough-tackling half-backs, Lukins is a utility player, while Higgins and Muir are defensive key position players.



Andrew McGovern...Karrinyup junior

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Recruits give East Perth a big boost

EAST Perth's emphatic 24-point victory over West Perth last Saturday has shown that they mean business this season and their rapid improvement after an opening-game loss can be attributed to their new recruits.

In the past few years, the Royals have struggled to shrug off the easy-beats tag and the other WASFL clubs, especially West Perth, are aware of their improvement.

East Perth's most publicised recruits have been their four fleet-footed Aboriginal footballers from the Northern Territory Football League, Noel and Patrick Long, Brian Stanislaus and Russell May.

Coach Ian McCulloch is wary of praising the new boys before they prove themselves and he will be watching them closely in the coming weeks.

"From all reports they are world beaters, but we'll just have to wait and see," McCulloch said.



Keith Adams...close to selection

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Know your club

by Tania Armstrong



The quartet were rated among the best footballers in the Northern Territory and Noel Long and Stanislaus made impressive debuts with their new club on Saturday.

Noel and Patrick Long, brothers of Essendon star Michael Long, joined East Perth after playing in St Mary's premiership side two weekends ago.

Noel, at 24, is the oldest of the two and last season he won St Mary's fairest and best award by a record margin. He also finished runner-up in the NTFL fairest and best, while Patrick (17) finished third in the St Mary's count and was voted player of the finals.

AFL CLUBS

Stanislaus (18), is also from St Mary's and is a handy ruck-rover or half-back who has already been approached by AFL clubs and Essendon's Kevin Sheedy is reportedly eager to draft him when he turns 19.

May (19), a utility player, journeyed to Perth Oval from NT club Warratahs where he played with close friend Willie Rioli and previously had talks with Claremont.

East Perth have also been strengthened by the acquisition of West Coast Eagles ruckman Peter Melesso and Eagles Fitzroy draftee Craig McGrath.

The Royals went in search of ruckmen to fill the gap left by Mal Bennett during pre-season and they signed All-Australian amateurs ruckman John Hackett and Subiaco's Stephen Hooper.

INTRODUCTION

Hackett (24), from Trinity/Aquinas, had a tough introduction when he was thrown in against three of the league's best big men — Subiaco's Laurie Keene, Shane Cocker and Guy Baxter, while Hooper (20) will be a late starter because of a troublesome knee injury.

"Hooper was a high priority player for us," said McCulloch. "We went out of our way to get him because we desperately needed a ruckman and let's hope he heals quickly."

A late-comer to the Royals league squad was former Swan Districts utility player Steve Richardson (31), who joined the club last week and lined up with the reserves side against West Perth. He is hoping that a change of environment will help his career and his seven years of experience at league

level will be a valuable asset to the young side.

Lee Monument (20) is a strong and versatile player yet to be seen in action in Perth. He joined East Perth from Old Brighton Amateurs in Victoria after playing under-19s for Richmond and his pace will be an asset when he fights off shin soreness which has plagued him since he began training on WA's hard grounds.

MEDAL WINNERS

Keith Adams, a centreline player from Kambalda, won the Kambalda Football Association's fairest and best award last season and has tremendous skills, courage and pace. Adams (21) came close to making his league debut last weekend after a best-on-ground performance in the first Pepsi reserves match of the season.

One player who did make his debut on the weekend is another award-winning recruit, Ongerup's Brad Smallwood. While playing for Borden, Smallwood (24), won the Ongerup Football Association's 1989 fairest and best count and he is capable of holding down a ruck-roving position.

The Royals penetrated East Fremantle territory to sign Geraldton's Fabian Dawson and Bruce Gillingham, plus Charlie Collard from Mullewa.

Dawson (19), originally from Carnarvon, is being hampered by shin soreness, but Gillingham (22) has impressed with his quick disposal and high skill level on both sides of his body and is not far away from a league debut.

Work commitments have prevented Sydney Swans recruit Paul Sullivan from taking the field so far this season.

Sullivan is a key position player and when he returns from overseas in about a month he should press claims for a place in the backline or forward line.



Brad Smallwood...Borden recruit



John Hackett...All-Australian amateur



Bruce Gillingham...good skills

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Shane Stempel...happy with his coach

STREMPSEL FINDS A NEW HOME

BIG Shane Stempel, who gave a best-on-ground performance to sink East Fremantle last Saturday, could easily have been playing for the Sharks.

Stempel, a football nomad in recent seasons, kicked five goals and took numerous strong marks to lead the black and whites in their second-half charge that resulted in an impressive 23-point win.

The 197cm tall forward considered offers from East Fremantle, West Perth, Perth and East Perth before he finally settled on Swans as the club where he would have his second crack at league football.

"The main reason for joining Swans was John Todd," Stempel said after Saturday's good win.

"He's the best coach around for me."

FORMER COACHES

"Peter Hodyl, my South Bunbury coach in 1988, is also at Bassendean and my coach last year in Peter Old, was a former Swans player.

"I talked it over with them and they were right in telling me that Swans was a good club to play for."

Stempel, 21, began his football with East Perth under 19s before heading south to join the South-West National Football league.

He then had a spell in the VFA before returning to play with South Bunbury last season, helping the powerful club to a premiership.

"I've been a bit slow starting in my league games to date, but it's coming together," he said.

Royals reap a Darwin harvest

EAST Perth supporters can stand by for a Darwin invasion, so it seems.

The Royals were big winners over West Perth last Saturday, with two of their Darwin recruits showing out, Noel Long and Brian Stanislaus.

The reserves side also won, with Patrick Long and Russell May having their first Perth hit-out and now a fifth player in Murray Hall has arrived in town.

And the word is that more Darwin boys could be heading south.

The recruiting of the talented Ab-origines was a Royal coup, set-up initially by chairman of selectors Jim Haines and then secured on a recent business trip by new president Bob Pearson.

EARLY LINK

The Long boys, who aspire to follow yet another brother in Essendon's Michael into AFL ranks, are not the first to don the blue-and-black guernsey.

Another brother in Brian played colts football with East Perth about five years back and now the chain is extended.

Noel Long, runner-up in the Northern Territory's fairest and best award

this last season and a key member in St Mary's big premiership win, was surprised at the pace of Saturday's clash with West Perth.

"It was a bit faster than I expected and I'm feeling a little tired," he confessed after a week of celebrating a grand final win and flying into a new footy camp.

Long didn't have the benefit of a training run with his new team-mates, arriving just after Thursday's final session. But he knew enough names to get his share of the footy.

"There were a few calls of over here mate," he quipped. "But it wasn't too bad and the guys really accepted us both into the team."

PHYSICAL

Stanislaus felt that the game was physically tougher than in Darwin, but neither player was concerned at the hard grounds. In fact, they felt Leeder-ville Oval was a little spongy.

The two players looked for each other successfully during the game — something that they also do in Darwin.

"We're used to playing on the same flank and sharing the ball around," said Stanislaus, who showed good goal-sense with three majors.

NERVOUS START FOR PAIR

THERE were some nervous moments at Leederville Oval last Saturday as the West Perth camp prepared for their battle with East Perth.

Former Royals Angelo Del Borrello and Frank Delcasale were donning the Falcons colours for the first time and a clash with their old club put added pressure on them.

However, both did well in a losing side, with Del Borrello roving strongly for 14 kicks and eight handballs, showing that the leg injuries of last season could be behind him.

Delcasale had to cool his heels on the interchange bench, but was called into action just before half-time and did well across the half-back line, collecting eight kicks and six handballs.

"I was nervous alright, but felt better after I got a couple of kicks," he said. "The guys on the other side weren't too bad, which helped a bit!"

Del Borrello, playing his first league game for almost a year, will obviously improve with the run...but he wouldn't have enjoyed going home on Saturday night.

He shares a house with East Perth wingman Lucio (Butch) Baroni, who was the Royals best player and was looking forward to "rubbing it in" when he caught up with his new opponent.



Frank Delcasale...nervous start



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LIONS SHOW GRIT IN FIGHTBACK

A SPIRITED Subiaco side fought back from the brink of defeat in the Pepsi reserves to record their first win of the season over a powerful Claremont combination on Saturday.

The Lions kicked two goals in the closing minutes of the match to give them a well deserved 10-point victory, 17.16 (118) to 16.12 (108).

It was a sweet finish for coach Bryan Cousins, having his first success as Subiaco's assistant coach.

"There's no better game to win than one when you come from 20-points down at the 15 minute mark of the final quarter into the breeze," Cousins said.

"The guys showed total persistence and dedication which shows they've got a lot of character and feeling for the club."

GOOD START

Subiaco got away to a flying start and led by 23 points at the first change, but Claremont gained the upper hand from that moment on, at least until they were steam-rolled late in the final term.

After an eight-goal second term, the

PEPSI RESERVES

Tigers led by 11 points at half-time and eight points at the last change.

Subiaco stole the lead at the 24-minute mark of the final term when 20-year-old rover Damien Read speared a goal on the run from 30 metres out. That put the Lions in front by three points and they were on a roll.

A lightning handpass out of the centre by new Jurien Bay recruit Jim Waters set up Subiaco's second goal in a minute and assured the Lions of victory.

Aaron Zampogna finished off Waters' good work when he kicked an easy goal from point-blank range in the goal square.

The young Subiaco side did well to combat a talented Claremont team, which included Brendan Barrows, Michael O'Connell (out of retirement after injury) and Greg O'Malley, who made his league debut in the first match of the season but had to step aside to allow West Coast Eagle skipper Steve Malaxos gain some match practice after a spell on the sidelines with an injured foot.



Michael O'Connell...back in action

BIRTHDAY SETBACK

PROMISING Subiaco big-man Graeme Garnaut didn't quite get the birthday present that he wanted from arch-rivals Claremont in the Pepsi reserves match at Subiaco Oval last weekend, even though the Lions fought their way to victory.

Garnaut, who turned 21 last Tuesday, had big plans for his 21st birthday party, which was to be held after the match.

However, the celebration had to be postponed when he was knocked out during the game and spent the evening in hospital.

ACROBATIC GOAL

SWAN Districts player Michael Taylor showed some of his acrobatic skills when he kicked the goal of the Pepsi reserves round from mid-air against East Fremantle at Bassendean Oval.

A pack formed in front of Swans' goals in the final quarter and the ball was knocked down in Taylor's direction, about four metres from the left goal post and on a 45-degree angle.

Taylor went for the ball, which was floating 150cm off the ground, with his hands, but after realising he would be swamped by Sharks defenders, he leapt into the air and got his boot to the ball to kick it straight through the goals.

Freak goal gives Royals late draw

A FREAK goal by East Perth's Alec Yarran tied the scores in the Pepsi under-19s match at Leederville Oval last Saturday to give East Perth and West Perth the first drawn game of the season.

As the siren sounded to end the match, Yarran was 25 metres out and running away from the goals. He screwed a kick over his left shoulder and watched it sail through the opening to tie the scores at 8.11 each.

The draw is the first in the under-19s competition since East Fremantle drew with Claremont, with scores on 10.10 (70), in round seven on May 14, 1988.

DISAPPOINTED

West Perth were justified in being disappointed with the result as they should have won easily, having dominated for most of the match.

Royals coach Greg Henderson was quite relieved to salvage a draw.

"West Perth should have won by four or five goals," Henderson said.

"If you watched the game and didn't look at the scoreboard, you would have thought that West Perth had won quite easily. But I was happy to come out of the match with some premiership points.

"I don't recall being involved in a draw with East Perth's under-19s before and I've been coaching them for the past seven seasons."

POTENTIAL

Best players for the Royals were Graham McKnight, who regularly sets up attacking moves off the half-back line and Alex Casella, who is showing enormous potential on a wing.

Henderson said that his side had to concentrate on consistency and put their first win on the board after losing to reigning premiers Subiaco in the opening round.

"We've got a lot of players to chose from, with a squad of around 50 guys on the track, so there will be a few changes in the sides as we juggle everyone around."

WESTSIDE RATINGS

CLAREMONT				
Player	V	SF	S	TOT
BEERS, Tony	6	7	13	
BEGOVICH, Tony	-	8	8	
BERESFORD, Brian	5	8	13	
BURTON, Paul	4	5r	9	
CORMACK, Joe	6	6	12	
EDWARDS, Scott	6	6	12	
EVANS, Tony	6	-	6	
GUARD, Jeremy	5	6	11	
HANN, Mark	6	6	12	
HUTTON, John	7	7	14	
LEWIS, Cam	5	5	10	
MALAXOS, Steve	-	8	8	
MANN, Peter	4	9	13	
MITCHELL, Kevin	6	7	13	
NORRISH, Jason	6	7	13	
O'CONNELL, David	6	6	12	
O'MALLEY, Greg	5	-	5	
OWENS, Peter	8	8	16	
PANIZZA, Darrell	6	7	13	
RIDLEY, Todd	5	7	12	
SCOTT, John	6	6	12	
TURNBULL, Ryan	6	7	13	

EAST FREMANTLE				
Player	WP	SD	TOT	
BILICH, Stephen	6	4	10	
BROWNING, Clinton	6	6	12	
BROADBRIDGE, Michael	7	6	13	
BUSHILL, David	6	8	14	
CHRISTIE, George	7	6	13	
DERECOURT, Jon	7	5	12	
ELLIS, Shane	5	5	10	
FORMAN, Bryce	5	4	9	
HAMMOND, Darren	6	7	13	
LAWRENCE, John	5	5	10	
ESTER-SMITH, Neil	7	6	13	
MOIR, Glen	8	6	14	
PEAKE, Brian	4	5	9	
QUILL, Peter	5	4	9	
RANKIN, David	7	5	12	
READ, Brad	6	5	11	
ROWE, David	7	4	11	
RYDER, Revis	5	5	10	
SMALLRIDGE, Gary	7	7	14	
WEBER, Robbie	6	-	6	
WINMAR, Laurence	4	-	4	
ZUPANOVICH, Robert	3	5	8	

SWAN DISTRICTS				
Player	P	EF	TOT	
AHMAT, Joe	6	7	13	
BENNETT, Ian	6	6	12	
CALLOW, David	6	6	12	
DAVEY, Shaun	7	7	14	
EATON, Stephen	5r	6	11	
EDMONDS, Travis	6	7	13	
GANDINI, Len	6r	6	12	
GOW, Paul	6	6	12	
GRASSO, Mick	8	7	15	
HASTIE, Mick	5	-	5	
HETHERINGTON, Kim	7	6	13	
HODDY, Peter	8	7	15	
HOYCARD, Craig	6	4r	10	
LANGSFORD, Don	6	6	12	
MENEGOLA, Todd	7	-	7	
NARKLE, Phil	6	-	6	
OGG, David	-	6	6	
O'NEILL, Rod	7	7	14	
PASSERI, Geoff	7	7	14	
PENNY, Danny	8	-	8	
RETZLAFF, Brendon	6	5	11	
SHINE, Brad	6	-	6	
STEVENS, Matt	-	4r	4	
STREMPER, Shane	7	8	15	
WALKER, Greg	-	4	4	

PERTH				
Player	SD	SF	TOT	
ALVARO, Matt	7	-	7	
ALLEN, Richard	6	-	6	
BARICH, Adrian	5	3	8	
CLARKSON, John	7	3	10	
CUMMINGS, Steve	7	4	11	
FANCOTE, Kim	8	3	11	
GAVRANICH, John	8	1	9	
JACKSON, Toby	6	-	6	
JENKINS, Todd	7	3	10	
KELLY, Merv	6	3	9	
KERR, Roger	6	4	10	
LALLY, Steve	7	2	9	
MAHONEY, Warren	7	1	8	
NEWMAN, Ian	5	1	6	
SPALDING, Scott	6r	2	8	
TOLAN, Paul	6	1	7	
WHITTINGTON, Gavin	7	4	11	
WILLIAMSON, Bruce	6	2	8	
YOUNG, Andrew	8	2	10	
ZAİKOS, John	7	5	12	

EAST PERTH				
Player	S	WP	TOT	
BARONI, Lucio	7	8	15	
BARTLETT, Glen	5	6	11	
BERTRAM, Dean	5	6	11	
BLAKELY, Mark	2i	-	2	
CARTIER, Mark	4	3	7	
CLAPE, Matt	5	4	9	
EVANS, Shane	4	-	4	
GIANNAKIS, George	7	7	14	
HACKETT, John	4	5	9	
LONG, Noel	-	5	5	
MARONI, Eric	4	-	4	
MELESSO, Peter	3i	6	9	
McGRATH, Craig	4	5	9	
MILLER, Peter	-	5	5	
MILNER, Brett	3i	-	3	
ROSE, Gavin	4	-	4	
SEECAMP, Marcus	5	7	12	
SEYMOUR, Ken	6	6	12	
SILCOCK, Jeremy	5	6	11	
SMALLWOOD, Brad	-	6	6	
STARCEVIC, Troy	-	6	6	
STANISLAUS, Brian	-	6	6	
TURNER, Dean	6	5	11	
WILLISON, Leigh	4	5	9	
YARRAN, Nicky	4	1	5	

SUBIACO				
Player	EP	C	TOT	
BAXTER, Guy	6	7	13	
BROWN, Clinton	4	5	9	
BREMAN, Todd	7	7	14	
CABLE, Shane	5	7	12	
COCKER, Shane	6	6	12	
GRIEVE, Andrew	-	5r	5	
GODDEN, Tony	4	5	9	
HAMPSON, Damien	6	6	12	
HAWKINS, Gavin	5	6	11	
HEADY, Brett	8	2i	10	
HUDSON, Richard	7	5	12	
HUTCHINSON, Bret	4	8	12	
KEYSER, Gavin	4	5r	9	
KEMP, Garry	7	6	13	
KEENE, Laurie	6	4	10	
LEE, Mick	8	7	15	
MacNISH, Andrew	7	8	15	
McDOUGALL, Brad	4	-	4	
MAGUIRE, Fintan	5	7	12	
MAYLOR, Brian	6	8	14	
TAYLOR, Brian	6	7	13	
WILLET, Rod	6	7	13	

SOUTH FREMANTLE				
Player	C	P	TOT	
BALL, Peter	5	5	10	
COLLARD, Brad	6	4	10	
COLLARD, Cliff	5	4	9	
EDWARDS, Craig	5	4	9	
FIMMANO, Ned	6	2	8	
GRLJUSICH, Rod	4	2	6	
HART, David	7	-	7	
JACKSON, Stevan	6	4	10	
JAKOVICH, Glen	8	6	14	
MARTIN, Ken	7	5	12	
MORGAN, Paul	6	2	8	
NALDER, Dean	5	2	7	
PORTER, John	6	5	11	
POBJOY, Chris	7	4	11	
RIOLI, Willie	5	4	9	
SAMBRAILO, Mark	4	-	4	
SOLIN, Rob	5	3	8	
TURNER, Greg	6	3	9	
WATTERS, Scott	6	7	13	
WORSFOLD, Peter	5	2	7	

WEST PERTH				
Player	EP	EP	TOT	
ADAM, Tim	4	5	9	
BEWICK, Glen	5	6	11	
DAVIES, Chris	4	-	4	
DAYMAN, Wayne	-	7	7	
DEAN, Paul	6	4	10	
DEL BORRELLO, Angelo	-	5	5	
DEL CASALE, Frank	-	5	5	
DUNKELD, Ross	5	4	9	
HALL, Derek	5	7	12	
HASLER, Paul	5	5	10	
HOLDEN, Gary	7	4	11	
HOWLETT, Gavin	4	-	4	
HUNTER, Jon	5	3	8	
MADAFFARI, Paddy	4	-	4	
McGUIRE, Oral	-	7	7	
MIFKA, Paul	5	5	10	
O'BRIEN, Darren	6	4	10	
PALM, David	5	5	10	
REPACHOLI, Dennis	6	5	11	
ROSICH, Steven	4	-	4	
STARR, Wade	4	3	7	
TANA, Nick	5	-	5	
TURLEY, Craig	7	6	13	
WILLIAMS, Mal	6	5	11	
WOODROFFE, Greg	-	4	4	

Westside Football's weekly rating system is Perth's only WASFL form guide for individual players. Each week we rate all league players on a score of 1-10. Injured players are indicated by an 'i' and interchange with an 'r' with both rated on their time on the ground.

North Beach recruits star in big win

NORTH Beach started the 1990 season with a resounding A-grade victory over Wembley, winning by 103 points.

The Tigers gained excellent service from their recruits, former Subiaco player Paul Higgins and West Perth utility Steve Munro, who both appear set for outstanding seasons.

Centre-half-back Clive Mitchell was also in top form and with coach Corry Bewick kicking six goals up forward, the Tigers appear to be the most difficult customers for all the other sides.

Wembley had their old brigade firing in Kevin Symonds, Grant Ryan and Grant Callaghan, but they need more support if they are to be contenders.

WINNING DEBUT

West Coast coach Ken Judge would have been more than happy with his coaching debut, as his side outclassed University by 47 points.

Matt Walker, Jamie Fisher and Geoff Greaves played well for the Coasters, but the win was a real team effort as they had most players contributing.

University did not get a chance to show what they achieved over pre-season, but with more help from the likes of Mike Cawley, Aaron Devitt and Peter Dowling, they will improve dramatically.



Corry Bewick...six goal start

A-GRADE

by
TREVOR SCHORER



Wesley-Curtin started their quest for premiership honours in fine style with a resounding 70-point win against Trinity-Aquinas.

Coach John McGuire had his players highly motivated for the first game and they came out full of determination, outscoring their opponents by 31 points in the first term.

A repeat dose in the third quarter sealed the fate of Trinity-Aquinas and with Bryn Chute, Terry Cummings and Gerry Hunt playing well, there was no doubt about the final result.

Trinity-Aquinas had good performers in full-back Doug McDonald, ruckman Shaun Brown and ruck-rover Phil Green.

BIG WINNERS

Nollamara, led by rover Wayne Otway, completely outclassed Mt Lawley and ran out 79-point winners.

One player who shone with Otway was ruck-rover Chris White and, along with Jim Davies and wingman Phil Beattie, systematically tore the opposition apart.

Mt Lawley are only a shadow of the strength they were in the 1980s and they will find this season a struggle.

Coach Brian Perrin is concentrating on youth and has some talented young players in John Edmondson, Glen Barrett and the classy Lee Cahill to form a nucleus to build on.

DOMINANT

Scarborough wore down a dogged Maylands and ran out victors by 17 points.

Rovers were the dominant factors as Simon O'Neill (Scarborough) and Maylands Bruce Loo ran riot and stood out in a tough uncompromising match.

Other fine players were Aldo Dellasantana and Mick Morris, while for Maylands Brett Campbell and Glen Dowling stood out.

AROUND THE GRADES

D GRADE — North Beach No. 2 got away to a morale-boosting start by taking the premiership points against Morley (1989 C-grade). Best for Norths were Dean Jones, Ryan Smith and Peter Fleming. A last-quarter fade out will have to be worked on.

I GRADE — Trinity Aquinas No. 3 had outstanding efforts in the second and final quarters to out-last a determined North Beach No. 3. Despite five goals from Peter Heppell, a steady 100 minutes by Ian Tester, Bill Fulcher and former Girrawheen player Shane Dick-

er, North will have to work harder as a unit.

A COLTS — Wembley held North Beach goal-less in the last half to win a hard-fought encounter. North's jumped the Magpies and raced to a three-goal lead at quarter-time, but slowly faded. Under notice for the Tigers were Roger Perrie, big Tim Wainwright and forward Troy Verhoff. Wesley-Curtin downed one of amateur's traditional colts trendsetters in Trinity-Aquinas. Wesley-Curtin could be the surprise packet of the season and look definite finals chances. Scarborough went on a goal-kicking rampage against a luckless Maylands, whose initial efforts in A Colts will have to be worked on.

D COLTS — Lopsided games were the order of the day with big wins to Applecross, Wanneroo and Ocean Ridge. North Beach No. 2 and Swan View won on a forfeit, but would have preferred the match practice.

** Club secretaries — make sure you acknowledge you team's efforts every week by contacting Amateur Page Westside Football writers David Egglestone (342 8749) or John Davies (447 3774) on Sunday morning between 8.30 and 9.30 and after 6pm, with scores, best players, goalkickers, milestone performers and whatever.*

AMATEUR NEWS

A roundup of news from the West Australian Amateur Football League

VALE, COLIN JAMIESON

A life of service to amateurs

THE West Australian Amateur Football League lost one of their most astute members with the recent death of former president Colin Jamieson.

He joined Midland Junction Amateurs as a playing member in 1946, also becoming a club delegate to the WAAFL that year, which was the start of a remarkable unbroken 44 years of service on the amateurs council.

After three seasons with Midland (club secretary in 1947) he transferred to the Bayswater club at the start of 1949 and was immediately elected as their secretary, a position held till 1952.

He was then elected club president from 1953 till 1971 and was presented with life membership at Bayswater in 1956.

CARNIVAL

At the 1953 Adelaide amateurs carnival, he was WA's assistant manager and was then appointed manager of the WAAFL teams that competed in the 1956 (Hobart) and 1959 (Perth) carnivals.

From 1956 till 1985, Mr Jamieson was a delegate to the Australian Amateur Football Council and also the executive member from this State. He served two terms (1967-71 and 1979-83) as president of the Australian Football Council and in 1985 was given life membership of that governing body.

MERIT AWARD

From 1968 to 1970, he was vice president of the WAAFL and from 1971 till 1983 was president. He later continued as a member of the league's management committee and in 1958 was honoured with life membership to the WAAFL. In 1971, he received the NFL Merit Award for services to football.

Colin Jamieson devoted his life to amateur football and continued to play an active part in its administration and as a supporter up till his untimely death.

His knowledge and experience will be missed by all who had the pleasure to work with him.

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

A GRADE: Nollamara 16.17 (Otway, Davies, Beattie) d Mt Lawley 5.4 (Edmondson, Horton, Pinner). North Beach 25.22 (P. Higgins, Mitchell, Munroe) d Wembley 9.3 (Symons, Ryan, Callaghan). Wesley-Curtin 19.14 (Chute, Cummings, Hunt) d Trinity-Aquinas 8.10 (McDonald, Brown, Green). Scarborough 14.5 (O'Neil, Dellasantana, Morris) d Maylands 11.6 (Campbell, Loo, Dowling). West Coast 20.11 (Walker, Fisher, Greaves) d University 12.12 (Cawley, Devitt, Dowling).

B GRADE: Collegians Old Scotch 18.24 d Innaloo 6.5, Cockburn Lakes 16.6 d Mt Lawley 15.9, Dianella 15.17 d Bayswater 13.5, Swan Athletic 11.14 d Osborne Districts 6.10, North Fremantle 18.16 d CBC 15.7.

A COLTS: Wembley 9.7 d North Beach 5.6, Wesley-Curtin 11.15 d Trinity-Aquinas 9.8. Scarborough 24.12 d Maylands 1.2.

B COLTS: Collegians Old Scotch 9.13 d Innaloo 7.16, Cockburn Lakes 10.6 d Mt Lawley 4.3, Dianella 16.20 d Bayswater 2.3, Swan Athletic 17.8 d Osborne Districts 4.2.



Colin Jamieson...sad loss

A respected servant

THE sudden passing of Colin Jamieson on Monday, March 26 was a great shock to all of us in Australian Football and left us with a deep sense of loss.

Colin's contribution to the WAAFL and to the AAFC is well documented, but what that contribution meant to individuals may not be.

Colin was a great friend to many people in football. He gave them his time, he shared his knowledge and his fair sense of judgement.

His willingness to contribute was the essence of the man. He served on committees such as the Reinstatement Committee and the Investigation Committee and his sense of fairness and commonsense was well respected by all those who came before him.

Colin's ability to recall past events or decisions and present them in a current debate gave us the comfort of knowing that we were not sailing into uncharted waters.

Many decisions were blessed with his knowledge.

Socially, Colin was a delight to be with; on carnival trips, trophy nights or simply after meetings he was entertaining and obviously enjoyed the company of his football colleagues.

We will go into the 1990 season without Colin as our coach. But we will be a well-prepared team because of his contributions.

Trevor Howard
President

COLTS PLAYERS ARE REQUIRED

THE North Beach club is still chasing 19's and under players for both their A and D Colts teams. Any player not getting a regular game, or not yet tied to a club is welcome.

Training is at Charles Riley Reserve in North Beach on Monday, Tuesday (optional) and Thursday.

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Big margins in opening metro league matches

THE four winning teams inflicted big losses on their rivals in the opening round of fixtures in the Metropolitan Football League.

Midland were 122-point winners in the replay of last season's grand final over premiers Pinjarra.

The Midland Tigers received top performances from recruits Michael Walters and former Perth player Dempsey Narkle.

Regulars Jamie Hanson, with six goals and Robin Taylor (five goals) were the pick of the forward line.

Midland, who had opened up a 65-point lead at half-time, went on to crush a lethargic Pinjarra. The win confirmed their excellent pre-season form when the Tigers were good winners over Sunday Football League clubs Maddington and Kalamunda.

Pinjarra are only a shadow of their 1989 grand final line-up and coach Nigel Gilbert will need to embark on a rebuilding programme in 1990.

MAGPIE MAULING

North Fremantle recorded a 70-point margin over Kwinana at Medina Oval and coach Ken Hawke, while elated with the performance, will be work-

ing to maintain enthusiasm in the forthcoming weeks.

The Magpies better players in Steve Deagrel, Russell Perring and John Pedri have all been with the club in past seasons.

The Fremantle Magpies have reverted back to their original colours and with alterations to their clubroom facilities at Gil Fraser Oval, they can look forward to a top year.

Kwinana, under new coach Geoff Groenenburg, will need to re-build for the future, losing a number of senior players. Until the younger players mature, their prospects appear a little bleak.

EARLY CLAIM

Mundijong Centrals, with Peter Chidlow at the helm, also kicked a mammoth score to head the ladder on percentage, beating Manning by 156 points.

Former Swan District players Mike Smith, with seven goals and Ian Williams were among the best. Smith will

be hoping that his knee stands up to match fitness in the forthcoming weeks.

The club needs to recruit a ruckman, which is one area of concern at the moment. When Brad Graham, Craig Otto and Tony Fimmano strike top form, Centrals will be a tough combination to toss.

Manning coach David Samsa had a tough initiation into coaching ranks. However, when more players apply themselves to training, the team's on-field performances will improve.

NEW SIDES

Recent additions to the MFL in South Mandurah and Waroona fought out a one-sided game at Falcon.

The Lions booted 27.22 to finish 129-point winners over Waroona.

New Lions recruit Ossie Dikoli played strongly in midfield to set up the win, while youngster Damien Clarke showed promise as a ruckman for the home team and is a pleyer of the future.

Waroona, who have made a late start

METROPOLITAN LEAGUE

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Mundijong	1	1	-	180	24	750.00	4
Midland	1	1	-	174	52	334.61	4
Sth Mandurah	1	1	-	184	55	334.54	4
Nth Fremantle	1	1	-	151	81	186.41	4
Kwinana	1	-	1	81	151	53.64	-
Waroona	1	-	1	55	184	29.89	-
Pinjarra	1	-	1	52	174	29.88	-
Manning	1	-	1	24	180	13.33	-
Mosman Park	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

to the season, will find it difficult to make up lost ground in the nine-team competition and coach Laurie Tognela will need to impress on his players that the season is played over 18 rounds and not the last few games, as has been the case in previous years in the five-team Murray Districts competition.

FARMER BACK

Former WAFL player Brett Farmer, who has returned after a stint of playing in the Eastern States, has taken up the coaching role at Mosman Park, who have been disappointing since joining the MFL in 1987.

Mosman Park won flags in the old WAFA competition in 1984, 1986 and 1987 and with forward David Southam rejoining the club from Cockburn Lakes, plus a number of Eastern States recruits at his disposal, Farmer should qualify Mosman Park for a 1990 finals appearance.

Video reporting is a must

THE opening to the newly-named Australian Football League produced some intriguing results — but of equal interest was the number of reports, from umpires and video tapes.

The most controversial aspect regarding the reporting of players is contained in the rules which now allow reports to be made from the viewing of video tapes of the games.

But why some people regard it as a controversial issue is a mystery. Video tapes show clearly and without bias just what transpired — and what could be more satisfactory than this?

SURVEILLANCE

If someone is king-hit or dealt with in a manner not within the laws, surely his assailant should be cited by any reasonable surveillance method.

Peter Rozelle, the Chief Commissioner of the NFL in the USA, reviews all matches and has the power to arbitrarily disqualify or fine players. No "ifs" or "buts". No tribunals.

All reasonable methods employed by Australian football officialdom to control our game must be fully sanctioned by our governing authorities. It is more important now, than ever before, to use every method at our disposal to ensure that the game is presented in the best possible light.

This obviously does not include the disgraceful all-in brawling that marred the Brisbane/Richmond and West Coast/Collingwood games.

It is time that some of our professional footballers who earn big money realise that they have a responsibility to make their personal contributions in the most positive manner possible. Those family supporters, which includes present or potential players, are our most important audience — not hoons lust for blood.

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The national view



by JOHN WARREN

Hard, even fanatical tackling, tough shepherding and bone-jarring bumps are all marvellous features of the national code. And our crowds love this aggression — especially when a player from "their" team hands out the punishment!! It adds spice and uniqueness to the game.

On the other hand, out and out brawling does not.

It places our sport in the same category as ice hockey and the rugby codes, where the brutalising of opponents has long been a feature of their games.

In rugby, it was virtually an accepted part of the game that the opening stanza basically consisted of "sorting out" opponents before settling down to play within the rules. History records that rugby, complete with potentially (and sometimes actual) lethal head-high and spear-tackling, had to drastically clean up its act before making the dramatic revival that it now enjoys.

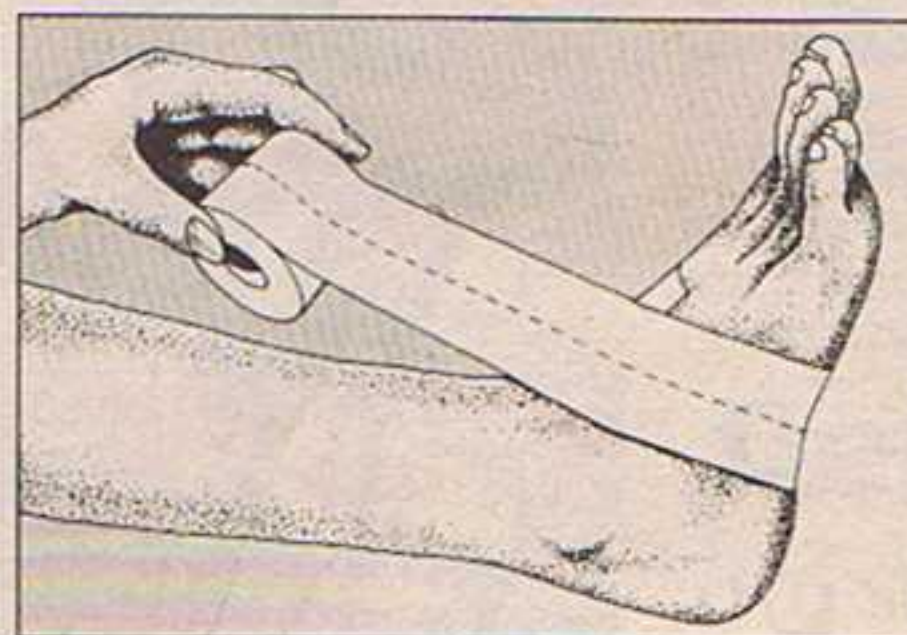
Australian football MUST be seen to be totally opposed to any form of thugery. If utilising video tapes, independent observers or commissioners will assist — then so be it.

First-aid corner

A regular Sports Trainers' Association segment on first aid, sponsored by Elastoplast

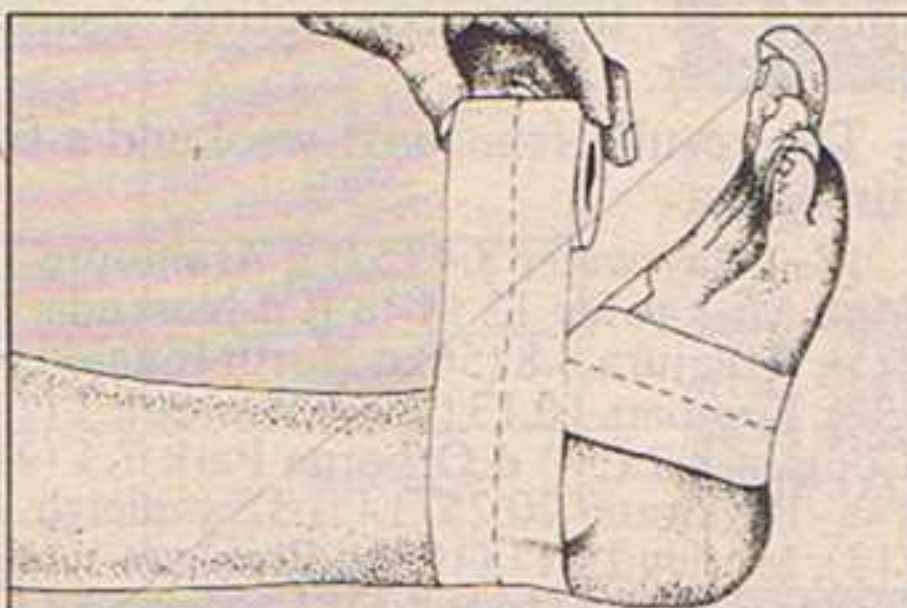
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- Start across forefoot, laying towards instep.
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- Continue around inner ankle bone (behind heel (at achilles), to forefoot again to complete the eight.

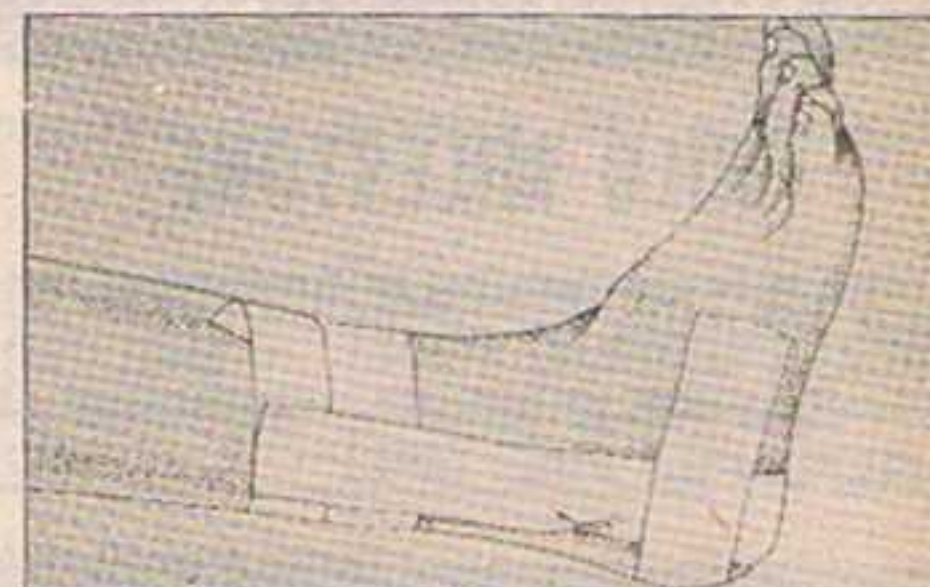


- Repeat several "eights" overlapping $\frac{3}{4}$ width and progressively covering the foot towards the heel and, the ankle upwards.

NOTE: Secure turns up and across the outer heel bone can be done in applying the figures of eight series. This provides extra support to the lateral ankle.

ANKLE SUPPORT — Basketweave

- Prepare the ankle as previously indicated.
- Apply two anchors (38mm rigid tape) and the first stirrup as explained for "basic protection."
- Measure a length of rigid tape to reach from instep, to heel and to outer-mid-foot (a "spur").
- Lay the first "spur" from inside foot to out, keeping the lower edge of tape close to the sole (as shown).
- Apply fir, even tension when laying the foot-spur.
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Clinics will spread word

By GUY MCKENNA

THE Hungry Jack's Aussie Footy clinics are bringing kids back to footy, that's for sure.

There's about 80,000 boys and girls right across WA who are going to take part, which is not only good for the game, but it's good for them.

The priority in Aussie Footy is participation and the youngsters certainly know how to do that.

I've done a heap of coaching clinics and I know the kids can't wait to have a kick."

The biggest kick of all is seeing them leave with huge smiles on their faces.

I wonder how I will look back on my involvement with this programme in the years to come.



I hope one-day to be a coach in my own right and I've now got my start — we've all got to begin somewhere.

Let's hope that my senior team listens as well as these kids do. You could almost hear a pin drop when you talk to them about their skills.

This week's coaching hint



The drop punt

THE drop punt is the most-used kick in football today. The right way to hold the football is with the ball facing down towards the ground; grip the ball on either side of the laces, thumbs opposite each other and fingers spread down the side seams of the ball.

As you run in to kick, crouch over the ball and let it go as close to your boot as possible — guide it down onto your boot with one hand.

Your instep, the part of your leg between your shin and your toe, must be taut and straight and the ball should land on your boot right where your laces are.

The most important thing to remember is to keep your eyes on the ball all the time.

Close results in Toyota Cup

THE East/West Perth zone of the Toyota Cup got started last Sunday, joining Swan Districts and South/East Fremantle in the football action and leaving only three more zones to join in the under-17s competition in the coming weeks.

The Toyota Cup community competition is in its second year in 1990 and continued sponsorship from Toyota Australia has enabled it to flourish.

Local Toyota dealers sponsoring the zones are Scarborough and Big Rock Toyota (East/West), Prestige (Claremont), Prosser (South Suburban/Perth), Magic (South/East Fremantle) and Kalamunda and Motorways (Swan Districts).

Last Sunday's Toyota Cup results were:

Swan Districts - Bassendean 22.18 (Bialobrodski, King, Russell) d Carlisle 2.6 (Hawthorne, Sebo, Smith), High Wycombe 22.20 (Cummings, Cornelius, Pope) d Kalamunda 2.8 (Quartermaine, Padula, Vacca), Swan View 21.14 (Haynes, Penn, Maegeres) d Eastern Hills 6.9 (Cassotti, Murphy, Jankauskas).
 South/East Fremantle - Riverton 16.20 (Bradley, Waldon) d Melville 9.8 (Grime), Willetton 13.16 (Blight, Craig) d Coolbellup 11.17 (Thatcher, Marriott), Applecross 9.7 (Williamson, Calder) d Bullcreek 7.13 (Porter, Cuzick), Cockburn 16.13 (McGunnle, O'Brien) d Rossmoyne 11.9 (Skepper, Gibbons).
 East/West - North Innaloo 11.9 d Bayswater 10.6, Osborne Park 33.16 d Mt Lawley 1.0, Noranda 14.19 d Balga 3.5, Cougars 9.11 d Bombers 9.7, Swan Leigh 12.10 d Morley 6.9.

Little league

Nothing is going to get in this Subiaco junior's way — even if he is being hotly pursued by this Claremont youngster. The young Lion tries to shrug off a tackle during the Town and Country Little League clash between Subiaco and Claremont at Subiaco Oval.



East-West off to good start

THE 1990 football season kicked-off last weekend for 91 teams in the revamped East/West competition.

With the amalgamation of the East Perth and West Perth Junior Councils this year, the competition should lift the standard of football with a wider spread of teams competing against each other.

The results from last weekend's fixtures are:

13s - Bayswater 8.4 (52) d Aranmore 7.4 (46), Mt Lawley 12.11 (83) d Noranda 4.1 (25), Ballajura 8.8 (56) d North Innaloo 5.2 (32), Bombers 10.13 (73) d Morley 2.2 (14), Cougars 8.9 (57) d Osborne Park 7.5 (47).
 14s - Bayswater 20.25 (145) d Swanleigh 3.0 (18), Morley 16.11 (107) d Bombers 1.1 (7), Noranda 21.16 (142) d Mt Lawley 4.8 (32).
 15s - Noranda 14.7 (91) d Balga 6.11 (47), Bayswater 16.15 (111) d Innaloo/Aranmore 4.8 (32), Osborne Park 42.21 (273) d Maylands 1.0 (6), Bombers 8.8 (56) d Cougars 3.2 (20), Swanleigh 16.11 (107) d Morley 5.4 (34).

The East/West competition will have a general bye this weekend, but fixtures resume on Saturday, April 21.

Coaches needed

THE Kenwick Junior Football Club requires coaches for the 1990 season which starts on Saturday April 21.

There are several vacancies in the 17s, 15s, 13s and freeball competitions. If anyone is interested in coaching, contact Jim Brockman on 454 2542.

Young Magpies head for WA

INTERSTATE football comes to Perth next week when the Collingwood under-17s arrive for an eight-day tour of WA.

The trip by the 36-member Collingwood elite squad is an annual ritual and they will again be hosted by the Carine Junior Football Club.

The young Magpies will play three matches — the first against Swan Districts on Monday, April 16; Busselton the following day and then a match against East Fremantle on Thursday, April 19.

Former WA, South Fremantle and Collingwood footballer Max Richardson journeys back to WA as coach of the squad, assisted by Doug Gott, with team manager Martin Slack.

Coaches clinic at East Frem.

EAST Fremantle Oval will play host to the next Level One coaching education clinic, starting next Wednesday, April 18.

The clinic will be run in three separate sessions — Wednesday, Sunday, April 22 and Monday, April 23 and a host of football people will be on hand to pass on their knowledge.

Cost of the clinic is \$30. For further information contact Gerard McNeill at the FDT on 381 5599.

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Make sure your football boots are always in a good condition; polish them the day before the match and check that the laces are in good shape. You don't want a lace to break when you're in the middle of a big game. Give the laces a wash now and then. Check your sprigs if they are screws and make sure they are all tight.

And here's this week's brain-teaser on the rules of Australian Rules football:

What happens when the football hits the point post?

ANSWER: The goal umpire and/or the boundary umpire signals out of bounds.

If it's on the full, a free kick goes to the opposing side.

It's marvellous what a
 difference



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...MORE JUNIOR NEWS...MORE JUNIOR NEWS...MORE JUNIOR NEWS...

Quit champions start with wins

THE Quit Cup competition's first round of matches were thrown into chaos when last week's cleaners strike disrupted school attendances.

With players missing from some schools, matches were postponed till a later date.

Hamilton Senior High School, last year's Barry Cable Division champions, won their opening game against Applecross and reigning Graham Farmer Division champions Governor Stirling also notched a victory in their first match with a narrow win over Hampton.

Round one Quit Cup results were:

NW Region — Barry Cable Division: Newman 13.6 b Craigie 1.2; Warwick b Duncraig. Graham Farmer (Blue): Sacred Heart 9.9 b St Stephen's 7.4; Greenwood 14.11 b Wanneroo 0.4. Graham Farmer (Black): Balcatta 5.4 b Churchlands 2.5; John XXIII 7.6 b Perth Modern School 3.2.
SW Region — Barry Cable Division: CBC 8.10 b Rossmoyne 1.3; Hamilton 8.8 b Applecross 4.4. Graham Farmer (Blue): Melville 4.8 b Leeming 3.8; Corpus Christie 8.8 b All Saints 7.3. NE Region — Barry Cable Division: Governor Stirling 7.9 b Hampton 7.1; Eastern Hills 12.9 b Chisholm 2.3. Graham Farmer Division: Cyril Jackson 7.10 b Lockridge 1.1; La salle 10.8 b Morley 3.5. SE Region — Barry Cable Division: Lynwood 9.3 b Kelmscott 4.1; Mazenod 7.4 b Wesley 6.8. Graham Farmer (Blue): Clontarf 16.8 b Mazenod 2.1.

Tigers Cup set to kick off

THE Claremont Junior Football Club is gearing up for the start of the 1990 Tigers Cup.

The highly-successful competition for 16 and 17-year-olds will field six teams — Carine, North Beach, Karrinyup, Marist, West Coast and Hawks.

The winners of the Tigers Cup will progress into the Toyota Cup competition, which has its grand final as the curtain-raiser to the Eagles vs Melbourne at Subiaco Oval, on Sunday, August 19.

If anyone is interested in playing with the Claremont Junior Football Club contact Karrinyup coach Kevin Xanthis on 446 4704.

IRISH TRIP

PLANS have been set in motion to send an Australian junior football team to Ireland in April, 1991 to play a series of modified Gaelic games against the Irish.

The team will be chosen from juniors in the Australian State Schoolboys Championships and younger Teal Cup players.

However, the idea depends on where funding will come from.

COUNTRY FOOTBALL FOCUS

Collie's big win spells danger

COLLIE showed that they should be a power in the South West National Football League this season when they thrashed Carey Park by 146 points in the opening round of fixtures last Sunday.

The Saints attacking division had a field day, with centre-half-forward Jock Davidson leading the way with seven goals.

Former Claremont, Perth and Footscray player Allen Daniels kicked six goals, while Mark Pianta and Paul Carpenter chipped in with four each.

The Panthers' four goals for the game was not just reward for the tireless efforts of ruckman Ted Picks.

Bunbury staged a remarkable 22-goal turnaround to wallop Boyanup-Capel-Dardanup by 84 points.



Wayne Dawson...injured

Mines call on former star

SOUTH West National Football League club Mines Rovers have appointed former player John Bell as coach.

The big ruckman was a veteran of South-West football and also had a stint with East Perth, in the WAFL. This is his first coaching assignment and he replaces Mick O'Donoghue, who was injured in a car accident.

"Despite this being my first year in charge of any team, I'm confident of being able to do the job," Bell said.

"Football is a game of attitudes. If you have shocking skills and the right attitude, you will still come out on top."

Bell, who played for the Collie Eagles for 14 years, received his baptism of fire on March 4 when a combined Mines Rovers and Collie team played the West Perth reserves.

The Cardies led 12 goals to four late in the second term, but the Bulldogs rigorous pre-season campaign paid dividends in the second half when they piled on 20 goals to the Cardies three.

Former Swan Districts full-forward Darren Williams, held goal-less in the first half, led the procession, bagging 11 goals in a sensational display.

Defender Kim Harris and ruckman Greg Fletcher initiated many of the successful forward thrusts. Cardies captain Darren Best and centremen John Weston were dominant players in the first half, but were rarely sighted from then on.

Former East Perth player Wayne Dawson's debut in the SWNFL was short-lived. He was injured in the second term after a clash with rugged Bulldogs defender Wes Collard.

DROUGHT ENDS

Augusta-Margaret River broke their 25-game losing sequence when they beat Mines Rovers by 28 points.

Brad Kevill was superb at centre-half-back for the Hawks, while Dean Hick (four goals) and Anthony McAleer and Anthony Figgins (three goals) were focal points in attack.

Young Eagles defender Edward Niski did an excellent job to curtain former East Perth forward Justin Cook, while Gary King and Alan Fontana gave solid performances.

Harvey-Brunswick-Leschenault snuck home by one point against a tenacious Donnybrook.

Former Subiaco players Graham Jones and Glen Hutcheson showed that they will be big assets to the Lions, while Dom Crongnale was dangerous in the forward pocket with six goals.

Donnybrook were best served by full-back Peter Lunardi, ruck rover Kim Young and ruckman Ryan Dhue.

Busselton, after trailing all day, upset reigning premiers South Bunbury by three points.

Wingman Kym De Morton, half-forward Michael Lang and rover Charlie Maiolo were driving forces behind the Magpies victory, while captain-coach Peter Old and rover Lou Grasso worked hard for the Tigers.

Country results

GOLDFIELDS: Kalgoorlie 20.28 b Mines 9.6; Railways 14.15 b Boulder 12.7.
SOUTH WEST: Augusta Margaret River 16.6 b Mines Rovers 10.14; Donnybrook 14.7 b Harvey-Brunswick 13.14; Carey Park 4.13 b Collie 28.15; Busselton 12.23 b South Bunbury 13.14; Bunbury 28.15 b Boyanup-Capel-Dardanup 15.9.

AVON: Beverley 24.15 b Brookton 10.14; Federals 21.18 b Railways 9.11; Cunderdin 18.9 b Tammin 12.9; Quairading 24.20 b Kellerberrin 10.4.



Neil Jackson...Collie target

Saints work on their recruits

COLLIE are looming as big improvers in the South West competition after a strong summer of recruiting.

The Saints have got former Swan Districts player Jeff Davidson back after a year overseas; youngster Troy Sheppard returns from a spell with West Perth and Mark Antonovich has swapped over from Mines Rovers.

However, they are still trying to persuade talented defender Neil Jackson to don the red-white-and-black guernsey again after retiring from a successful campaign with West Perth.

Coach Peter Slater, who will add to the club's playing depth, is confident that the Saints can be a competitive force. But he has warned that the SWNFL looks to have evened out a lot.

Five teams in CGS league

THE Central Great Southern Football League will kick off their season on Sunday April 29.

There will be five teams in the league and reserves competition — Kukerin, Australs, Tambellup, Kojunup and Wanderers — with only four teams in the colts division.

The first round of fixtures sees last year's premiers Kukerin take on Australs; Tambellup will meet with Kojunup, while Wanderers have the first bye.

FORMER STAR DIES

THE Great Northern Football League mourned the loss of one of its former great players during the off-season — Malcom Gould.

He was the 1969 J.J. Clune Medallist and a member of the Great Northern League combined team that won the Country Championships for the first time in that year.

Gould (43) is still the record holder for club appearances for Northampton.

Geraldton clubs fight send-off

THE seven senior clubs in the Great Northern Football League have appealed against the decision to introduce a send-off rule this season.

The appeal will be decided on by a vote from the seven league directors and the seven club presidents, with the casting vote, if required, submitted by GNFL president Ron Hayward.

Hayward is a well-known advocate of the send-off rule and club presidents are well aware that their appeal may prove unsuccessful.

AGGRESSION

The basis of the rule is that any player who seriously transgresses the rules of the game through unnecessary physical aggression or improper behaviour, should be sent from the field for a period of time determined by the umpire.

All seven clubs are united in their stand against the implementation of the new rule, mainly because they believe it will place an unnecessary burden on the young and inexperienced local umpires.

They feel umpires should have the chance to settle in and gain confidence before the rule is established.

The rule is already enforced in some areas and has been operating in the Central Great Southern Football League since 1987, where it has gained acceptance after some early opposition.

COUNTRY PREMIERSHIP TABLES

AVON ASSOCIATION

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Quairading.....	1	1	-	164	64	256.25	4
Federals.....	1	1	-	144	65	221.54	4
Beverley.....	1	1	-	159	74	214.86	4
Cunderdin.....	1	1	-	117	81	144.44	4
Tammin.....	1	-	1	81	117	69.23	0
Brookton.....	1	-	1	74	159	46.54	0
Railways.....	1	-	1	65	144	45.14	0
Kellerberrin.....	1	-	1	64	16	39.02	0

QUAIRADING CALTEX SERVICE

South West League

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Collie.....	1	1	-	183	39	469.2	4
Bunbury.....	1	1	-	183	99	184.8	4
Aug Marg Riv.....	1	1	-	102	74	137.8	4
Busselton.....	1	1	-	95	92	103.2	4
Harvey Bruns.....	1	1	-	92	91	101.4	4
Donnybrook.....	1	-	1	91	92	98.9	-
Sth Bunbury.....	1	-	1	92	95	96.8	-
Mines Rovers.....	1	-	1	74	102	72.5	-
Boyanup.....	1	-	1	99	183	54	-
Carey Park.....	1	-	1	39	183	21.3	-

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YOUR 1990 FOOTBALL FIXTURES

WEST AUSTRALIAN STATE FOOTBALL LEAGUE AND WEST COAST EAGLES



SERIES 1

ROUND 1

SATURDAY March 31
Clare 14.11, South Frem 13.10
East Frem 23.17, West Perth 10.9
East Perth 11.13, Subiaco 28.16
Perth 13.16, Swan Dist 12.25
Sunday April 1
Eagles 14.16, Collingwood 8.6

ROUND 2

Saturday April 7
Subiaco 9.8, Clare 17.17
Swan Dist 18.24, East Frem 16.13
West Perth 14.16, East Perth 19.10
South Frem 14.13, Perth 5.15
St Kilda 18.19, Eagles 10.9

ROUND 3

Saturday April 14
East Fremantle vs South Fremantle
Swan Districts vs West Perth
Footscray vs Eagles

ROUND 4

Monday April 16
East Perth vs Claremont
Perth vs Subiaco

ROUND 5

Friday April 20
Eagles vs Carlton (WACA)

ROUND 6

Saturday April 21
Claremont vs West Perth
Subiaco vs East Fremantle
East Perth vs Perth
South Fremantle vs Swan Districts

ROUND 7

Saturday April 28
Perth vs Claremont
East Fremantle vs East Perth
West Perth vs South Fremantle
Subiaco vs Swan Districts

ROUND 8

Saturday April 29
Eagles vs Sydney Swans (Subiaco)

ROUND 9

Saturday April 21
Claremont vs West Perth
Subiaco vs East Fremantle
East Perth vs Perth
South Fremantle vs Swan Districts

ROUND 10

Saturday April 28
Perth vs Claremont
East Fremantle vs East Perth
West Perth vs South Fremantle
Subiaco vs Swan Districts

ROUND 11

Saturday April 29
Eagles vs Sydney Swans (Subiaco)

ROUND 12

Saturday April 21
Claremont vs West Perth
Subiaco vs East Fremantle
East Perth vs Perth
South Fremantle vs Swan Districts

ROUND 13

Saturday April 28
Perth vs Claremont
East Fremantle vs East Perth
West Perth vs South Fremantle
Subiaco vs Swan Districts

ROUND 14

Saturday April 29
Eagles vs Sydney Swans (Subiaco)

ROUND 15

Saturday April 21
Claremont vs West Perth
Subiaco vs East Fremantle
East Perth vs Perth
South Fremantle vs Swan Districts

ROUND 16

Saturday April 28
Perth vs Claremont
East Fremantle vs East Perth
West Perth vs South Fremantle
Subiaco vs Swan Districts

ROUND 17

Saturday April 29
Eagles vs Sydney Swans (Subiaco)

ROUND 18

Saturday April 21
Claremont vs West Perth
Subiaco vs East Fremantle
East Perth vs Perth
South Fremantle vs Swan Districts

ROUND 19

Saturday April 28
Perth vs Claremont
East Fremantle vs East Perth
West Perth vs South Fremantle
Subiaco vs Swan Districts

ROUND 20

Saturday April 29
Eagles vs Sydney Swans (Subiaco)

ROUND 21

Saturday April 21
Claremont vs West Perth
Subiaco vs East Fremantle
East Perth vs Perth
South Fremantle vs Swan Districts

ROUND 22

Saturday April 28
Perth vs Claremont
East Fremantle vs East Perth
West Perth vs South Fremantle
Subiaco vs Swan Districts

ROUND 23

Saturday April 29
Eagles vs Sydney Swans (Subiaco)

ROUND 24

Saturday April 21
Claremont vs West Perth
Subiaco vs East Fremantle
East Perth vs Perth
South Fremantle vs Swan Districts

ROUND 25

Saturday April 28
Perth vs Claremont
East Fremantle vs East Perth
West Perth vs South Fremantle
Subiaco vs Swan Districts

ROUND 26

Saturday April 29
Eagles vs Sydney Swans (Subiaco)

ROUND 27

Saturday April 21
Claremont vs West Perth
Subiaco vs East Fremantle
East Perth vs Perth
South Fremantle vs Swan Districts

ROUND 28

Saturday April 28
Perth vs Claremont
East Fremantle vs East Perth
West Perth vs South Fremantle
Subiaco vs Swan Districts

ROUND 29

Saturday April 29
Eagles vs Sydney Swans (Subiaco)

ROUND 30

Saturday April 21
Claremont vs West Perth
Subiaco vs East Fremantle
East Perth vs Perth
South Fremantle vs Swan Districts

ROUND 6

Friday May 4

Richmond vs Eagles

Perth vs West Perth (WACA)

Saturday May 5

Swan Districts vs East Perth

Claremont vs East Fremantle

South Fremantle vs Subiaco

ROUND 7

Friday May 11

Melbourne vs Eagles

Claremont vs Swan Districts (WACA)

Saturday May 12

East Fremantle vs Perth

East Perth vs South Fremantle

West Perth vs Subiaco

SERIES 2

ROUND 8

Saturday May 19

South Fremantle vs Claremont

West Perth vs East Fremantle

Subiaco vs East Perth

Swan Districts vs Perth

Sunday May 20

Eagles vs Brisbane Bears (Subiaco)

ROUND 9

Saturday May 26

Claremont vs Subiaco

East Fremantle vs Swan Districts

East Perth vs West Perth

Perth vs South Fremantle

Sunday May 27

Eagles vs Geelong (Subiaco)

ROUND 10

Friday June 1

North Melbourne vs Eagles

ROUND 11

Saturday June 2

Claremont vs East Perth

West Perth vs Swan Districts

Monday June 4

South Fremantle vs East Fremantle

Subiaco vs Perth

ROUND 12

Friday June 15

Eagles vs Hawthorn (WACA)

ROUND 13

Saturday June 16

Claremont vs Perth

East Perth vs East Fremantle

South Fremantle vs West Perth

Swan Districts vs Subiaco

ROUND 14

Friday June 22 (WACA)

East Perth vs Swan Districts

Saturday June 23

East Fremantle vs Claremont

West Perth vs Perth

Subiaco vs South Fremantle

Tuesday June 26

State of Origin —

WA vs Victoria (WACA)

ROUND 15

Saturday June 30

Swan Districts vs Claremont

Perth vs East Fremantle

South Fremantle vs East Perth

Subiaco vs West Perth

Sunday July 1

Eagles vs Fitzroy (Subiaco — AFL Round 13)

ROUND 16

Saturday July 7

Collingwood vs Eagles (AFL Round 14)

Sunday July 8 (Adelaide)

SA vs WA

SERIES 3

ROUND 15

Friday July 13

Eagles vs St Kilda (WACA)

Saturday July 14

Claremont vs South Fremantle

East Fremantle vs West Perth

East Perth vs Subiaco

Perth vs Swan Districts

ROUND 16

Friday July 20

Eagles vs Footscray (WACA)

Saturday July 21

Subiaco vs Claremont

Swan Districts vs East Fremantle

West Perth vs East Perth

Saturday June 2

Claremont vs East Perth

West Perth vs Swan Districts

Monday June 4

South Fremantle vs East Fremantle

Subiaco vs Perth

ROUND 11

Friday June 8 (WACA)

East Fremantle vs Subiaco

Saturday June 9

West Perth vs Claremont

Perth vs East Perth

Swan Districts vs South Fremantle

Essendon vs Eagles

ROUND 12

Friday June 15

Eagles vs Hawthorn (WACA)

ROUND 13

Saturday June 16

Claremont vs Perth

East Perth vs East Fremantle

South Fremantle vs West Perth

Swan Districts vs Subiaco

ROUND 14

Friday June 22 (WACA)

East Perth vs Swan Districts

Saturday June 23

East Fremantle vs Claremont

West Perth vs Perth

Subiaco vs South Fremantle

Tuesday June 26

State of Origin —

WA vs Victoria (WACA)

ROUND 15

Saturday June 30

Swan Districts vs Claremont

Perth vs East Fremantle

South Fremantle vs East Perth

Subiaco vs West Perth

Sunday July 1

Eagles vs Fitzroy (Subiaco — AFL Round 13)

ROUND 16

Saturday July 7

Collingwood vs Eagles (AFL Round 14)

Sunday July 8 (Adelaide)

SA vs WA

SERIES 3

ROUND 15

Friday July 13

Eagles vs St Kilda (WACA)

Saturday July 14

Claremont vs South Fremantle

East Fremantle vs West Perth

East Perth vs Subiaco

Perth vs Swan Districts

ROUND 16

Friday July 20

Eagles vs Footscray (WACA)

Saturday July 21

Subiaco vs Claremont

Swan Districts vs East Fremantle

West Perth vs East Perth

South Fremantle vs Perth

ROUND 17

Saturday July 28

East Perth vs Claremont

East Fremantle vs South Fremantle

Swan Districts vs West Perth

Perth vs Subiaco

ROUND 18

Saturday August 4

Claremont vs West Perth

Subiaco vs East Fremantle

East Perth vs Perth

South Fremantle vs Swan Districts

ROUND 19

Saturday August 11

Perth vs Claremont

East Fremantle vs East Perth

West Perth vs South Fremantle

Subiaco vs Swan Districts

Sunday August 12

Eagles vs Richmond (Subiaco)

ROUND 20

Saturday August 18

Claremont vs East Fremantle

Swan Districts vs East Perth

Perth vs West Perth

South Fremantle vs Subiaco

Sunday August 19

Eagles vs Melbourne (Subiaco)

ROUND 21

Saturday August 25

Claremont vs Swan Districts

East Fremantle vs Perth

East Perth vs South Fremantle

West Perth vs Subiaco

Sunday August 26

Brisbane Bears vs Eagles

NATIONAL SCOREBOARD

PEPSI LEAGUE

SWAN DISTRICTS	2.4	7.8	14.17	18.24	132
EAST FREMANTLE	3.2	9.5	11.7	16.13	109

GOALS - SWAN DISTRICTS: Stremmel 5.4, Bennell 3.3, Davey 3.1, Hetherington 2.1, Grasso, Walker, Ogg 1.2, Gandini, Stevens 1.0, Hodyl 0.4, Passeri, Retzlaff 0.1. **EAST FREMANTLE:** Bushell 6.0, Lester-Smith 4.2, Peake 2.2, Broadbridge 2.0, Ellis, Bilcich 1.0, Smallridge 0.2, Quill, Deracourt, Lawrence, Moir, Read 0.1

BEST - SWAN DISTRICTS: Shane Stremmel, Joe Ahmat, Shaun Davey, Travis Edmonds, Mick Grasso, Peter Hodyl. **EAST FREMANTLE:** David Bushell, Darren Hammond, Gary Smallridge, Clinton Browning, Michael Broadbridge, George Christie.

Played at Bassendean Oval. Umpires Ron Bayens, David Johnson. Attendance 3556.

CLAREMONT	3.8	8.13	15.16	17.17	119
SUBIACO	1.0	2.0	4.4	9.8	62

GOALS - CLAREMONT: Mann 3.4, Beresford 3.3, Ridley 3.1, Mitchell 3.0, Hutton 1.2, D. O'Connell 1.1, Begovich, Burton, Guard 1.0, Cormack 0.3, Norrish, Scott 0.1. **SUBIACO:** Macnish 3.0, Maguire 2.1, S. Cable, Hawkins 1.2, Brown, Keene 1.0, G Kemp 0.2, Lee 0.1.

BEST - CLAREMONT: Peter Mann, Tony Begovich, Brian Beresford, Steve Malaxos, Peter Owens, Tony Beers. **SUBIACO:** Bret Hutchinson, Andrew MacNish, Brian Taylor, Guy Baxter, Todd Breman, Shane Cable. Played at Subiaco Oval. Umpires Peter Repper, Grant Vernon. Attendance 4150.

EAST PERTH	6.6	10.7	17.8	19.10	124
WEST PERTH	3.3	9.8	13.10	14.16	100

GOALS - EAST PERTH: Bartlett 5.1, Seecamp 4.0, Stanislaus 3.2, Miller 2.1, L Baroni 2.0, Cartier 1.1, Turner 1.1, N Long 1.0, Meleso 0.2. **WEST PERTH:** Hall 5.1, Hasler 2.1, Turley 2.1, Bewick 2.0, Dean 1.4, Williams 1.4, McGuire 1.0, Del Borrello 0.1, Mikfa 0.1, O'Brien 0.1, Palm 0.1.

BEST - EAST PERTH: Lucio Baroni, George Giannakis, Marcus Seecamp, Glen Bartlett, Dean Bertram. **WEST PERTH:** Wayne Dayman, Derek Hall, Oral McGuire, Glen Bewick, Craig Turley, Tim Adam. Played at Leederville Oval. Umpires Trevor Garrett, Sam Kronja. Attendance 3137.

SOUTH FREMANTLE	2.4	5.6	9.11	14.13	97
PERTH	2.4	4.9	5.11	5.15	45

GOALS - SOUTH FREMANTLE: Jackson 6.3, Turner 2.0, W Rioli 1.2, Matera, Pobjoy 1.1, Ball, B. Collard 1.0, Edwards, Grijsich, Morgan, D Nalder 0.1. **PERTH:** Kerr 1.4, Barich 1.2, Clarkson, Tolan 1.1, Nicholas 1.0, Zaikos, Fancote 0.2, Lally 0.1.

BEST - SOUTH FREMANTLE: Scott Watters, Glen Jakovich, Peter Ball, Ken Martin, John Porter, Brad Collard. **PERTH:** John Zaikos, Steve Cummings, Roger Kerr, Gavin Whittington, Adrian Barich, John Clarkson.

Played at Fremantle Oval. Umpires Jason Buckley, Phil O'Reilly. Attendance 4825.

PEPSI RESERVES

SUBIACO	8.4	10.8	11.15	17.16	118
CLAREMONT	4.3	12.7	13.11	16.12	108

GOALS - Subiaco: Golding 5, Waters 3, B. Cable 2, Zampogna 2, Huner 2, Read 1. **Claremont:** Barrows 3, M. O'Connell 3, Weir 3, Hann 2, Green, Clarke, Brooks, Robias, Sounness 1.

BEST - Subiaco: Langdon, Golding, Snow, Pethick, White. **Claremont:** Green, McGovern, Barrows, Parry, Hann, Knight.

SOUTH FREMANTLE	3.7	7.8	15.12	19.17	131
PERTH	4.2	9.7	11.8	13.11	89

GOALS - South Fremantle: Wyllie 8, Mazurek 3, Atkins, Delliar 2, Dunstan, Nalder, Joy, Pinzone 1. **Pert h:** Warnford, Thompson 3, Pears, Yarran 2, Jackson, Dick, Pill 1.

BEST - South Fremantle: Wyllie, Kelly, Atkins, Mazurek, Wilson, Nalder. **Pert h:** Yarran, Thompson, Papotto, Thomson, Knipe, Pears.

EAST PERTH	2.3	5.6	11.7	14.8	92
WEST PERTH	2.1	7.3	9.5	12.9	81

GOALS - East Perth: Softley 4, Stubberfield 4, Hearn 2, Crook 1, Haskett 1, Collard 1, May 1. **West Perth:** Hazell 5, Liddle 2, Higgins 2, Uglow 1, Green 1.

BEST - East Perth: Richardson, Harn, Harris. **West Perth:** Jeps, Uglow, Hazell, N. Higgins.

EAST FREMANTLE	5.5	10.10	15.14	19.21	135
SWAN DISTRICTS	5.0	8.2	10.6	18.8	116

GOALS - East Fremantle: Krummel 6, Regan 4, Krakouer 3, Maclean 3, Brennan, Librizzi, Buss 1. **Swan Districts:** De Graaf 5, Holmes 4, Bowen 3, Bell 2, Hastie 1, O'Rielly 1, Smith 1, Ware 1.

BEST - East Fremantle: Krakouer, Maclean, Hodson, Krummel, Wake, Taylor. **Swan Districts:** De Graaf, Smith, Bell, Hawes.

PEPSI UNDER-19s

SUBIACO	11.9	(75)	d	CLAREMONT	8.13	(61)
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GOALS - Subiaco: Bell 2, Dunn 2, Dohler, Keeler, Chaplin, Von Bergheim, Buck, Willison, Piggott. **Claremont:** Pass 2, Connell 2, Ringholt, Adams, Russell, Rogers.

BEST - Subiaco: Dunn, Von Bergheim, Buck. **Claremont:** Hendry, Pass, Klemm.

WEST PERTH	8.11	(59)	drew	EAST PERTH	8.11	(59)
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GOALS - West Perth: Cooley 4, Shellbrick 1, Bruton 1, Elliott 1, McCallum 1. **East Perth:** Yaran 3, Cassella 2, Prior, Popmarkov, Liddelow.

BEST - West Perth: Ahchee, Bruton, Curley. **East Perth:** McNight, Wall, D. Maroni.

SWAN DISTRICTS	9.25	(79)	d	EAST FREMANTLE	11.9	(59)
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GOALS - Swan Districts: Hannon 3, Blyrton 3, Montgomerie 2, Sidebottom 1. **East Fremantle:** Collins 4, Dransby 1, Atkinson 1, Bodey 1, Ahern 1, O'Malley 1, Anderson 1, Clark 1.

Swan Districts: Pech, Denys, Gray, Nelson. **East Fremantle:** O'Malley, Davies, Nairoana, Cicanese.

SOUTH FREMANTLE	15.12	(102)	d	PERTH	5.10	(40)
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GOALS - South Fremantle: Rummer 4, Hagan 3, Shepherd 2, Paul 1, Basseett-Scarffe 1, Lloyd 1, Lamb 1, D. Jayden 1, Mullings 1. **Pert h:** Lofits 2, Munro 2, Cummings 1.

BEST - South Fremantle: Bolton, Mullings, Wirth. **Pert h:** Ilich, Smith, MacMurray.

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Aust Football League

Friday, April 6

NORTH MELBOURNE	13.3	18.7	24.12	32.17	209
RICHMOND	2.1	4.8	6.10	9.14	68

GOALS - North Melbourne: Longmire 12, German 5, Carey 3, McCarthy 3, Krakouer 2, Rock 2, Steele 2, Pickering, Larkin, Schwass.

Richmond: M. Pickering 4, Mitchell, Egan, Hamilton, Lee Nicholls.

BEST - North Melbourne: Rock, Longmire, German, Larkin, McCarthy, Pickering, Steele, Carey. **Richmond:** M. Pickering, Lambert, Mitchell.

Played at the MCG. Umpires Ron Thompson, Shane McDonald. Attendance 18,105.

Saturday, April 7

COLLINGWOOD	1.1	6.6	10.7	19.8	122
CARLTON	4.3	7.3	10.5	13.9	87

GOALS - Collingwood: Daicos 7, Manson 4, Barwick 3, Crosisca 2, Wright, Russell, Alexander. **Carlton:** Minton-Connell 7, Majerczak 3, S. Kernahan, Verbeek, Alvin.

BEST - Collingwood: Shaw, Daicos, Millane, Brown, Russell, Monkhorst. **Carlton:** Bradley, Gleeson, Minton-Connell, Blackwell, Da Rui, Majerczak.

Played at VFL Park. Umpires Bryan Sheehan, Gary Forster. Attendance 44,906.

FITZROY	2.2	5.9	11.13	13.10	98
BRISBEARS	1.5	3.5	4.8	8.11	59

GOALS - Fitzroy: Roos 4, Dilena 3, Kickett 2, Glakey, Watson, Stephens, Clayton. **Brisbane Bears:** Harris 2, Ishchenko, Richardson, Rowe, merrett, Eade, Zanotti.

BEST - Fitzroy: Lyon, Watson, Stephens, Rendell, Blakey, Roos, Woods. **Brisbane Bears:** Ishchenko, Leslie, richardson, Zanotti, Williams, Gibson.

Played at Princes Park. Umpires Brendan Carland, Kevin Coates. Attendance 6847.

MELBOURNE	4.9	7.11	11.14	18.20	128
GEELONG	5.3	10.5	12.10	13.13	91

GOALS - Melbourne: Bennett 8, Stynes 3, Wilson 2, O'Dwyer 2, Lyon, Lovell, Clark. **Geelong:** Brownless 3, Poole 2, Schulze 2, Couch, Malakellis, G. Hocking, Weisby, Baldwin, Gurrrie.

BEST - Melbourne: Stynes, Lovett, Lovell, YUeats, Bennett, Spalding, Stretch. **Geelong:** Rogers, Denham, Couch, Bews, Baldwin, Poole.

Played at MCG. Umpires Mike Ball, Michael Sneddon. Attendance 29,024.

ST KILDA	4.6	11.9	16.15	18.19	127
EAGLES	1.0	3.1	3.10	10.9	69

GOALS - St Kilda: Lockett 9, Owen 4, Kradouer, Russo, Kitschke, Nixon, Harvey. **West Coast Eagles:** Pyke 3, Langdon 2, Sumich, Wilson, Brennan, Rance Ugle.

BEST - St Kilda: Lockett, Loewe, Pekin, Kitschke, lawrie, Owen, Winmar. **West Coast Eagles:** Rance, Ugle, Langdon, Laidley, Kemp.

Played at Moorabbin. Umpires Chris Mitchell, Peter Carey. Attendance 23,161.

SUNDAY, APRIL 8

ESSENDON	7.2	11.7	15.11	24.15	159
HAWTHORN	2.3	5.5	11.14	14.13	97

GOALS - Essendon: Werner 5, Anderson 5, Long 2, Kickett 2, Plain 2, Van Der Haar 2, Cransberg 2, Salmon, Bewick, Madden, Watson. **Hawthorn:** Brereton 4, P. Dear 3, Jencke 2, Ayres, Anderson, Dunstall, Kennedy, Morrissey.

BEST - Essendon: fAnderson, Watson, Ezard, Long, Salmon, A. Daniher. **Hawthorn:** Collins, Brereton, Kennedy, Tuck, P. Dear, Pritchard.

Played at the MCG. Umpires Denis Rich, Rowan Sawers. Attendance 55,311.

FOOTSCRAY	3.2	7.6	15.14	20.20	140
SYDNEY	3.4	4.12	7.15	10.18	78

GOALS - Footscray: Grant 4, Hawkins 3, McGuinness 3, Liberator 3, Williams 2, Wigney, Georgiades, Kolykniuk, Atkins, Foster. **Sydney:** Williams 4, Healy, Toohy, Bolton, Potter, Fell, Murphy.

BEST - Footscray: McGuinness, Hawkins, C. Grant, S. Wynd, M. Williams, S. Atkins. **Sydney:** G. Williams, M. Wheeler, B. Mitchell, G. Healy, B. Tunbridge, J. West.

Played at the Sydney Cricket Ground. Umpires Murray Bird, Hayden Kennedy. Attendance 11,051.

METROPOLITAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE

MIDLAND	4.3	13.4	19.9	27.12	174
WEST PERTH	1.3	2.5	5.8	7.10	52

GOALKICKERS - Midland: J Hanson 6, R Taylor 5, NARRIER, Dempsey Narkle 4, Keen 3, Darryl Narkle, Walters 2, Roberts 1. **Pinjarra:** Gentle, Staples 2, Cox, W Gordon, J Triscari 1 each.

BEST PLAYERS - Midland: Mick Walters, Jamie Hanson, Dempsey Narkle. **Pinjarra:** Chris Gentle, Neil Davey, Jeff Dillon.

NORTH FREMANTLE	8.9	11.12	13.14	22.19	151
KWINANA	3.5	7.9	n	10.11	81

GOALKICKERS - Fremantle: Steve Beagrela, Dimattia, Perring, G Strandica 3, Gordon Abreu, Collica, Rumble 2, Fernandes, Rebelo 1 each. **Kwinana:** Kirby, M Griffin 2, Bergin, Brandis, Noble, Gredenburg, Hall, Little, Ugle 1 each.

BEST PLAYERS - North Fremantle: Steve Deagrela, Russell Perring, John Redri. **Kwinana:** Brett Little, Nathan Hall, Darren Brandis.

SOUTH MANDURAH	4.8	13.15	19.19	27.22	184
WEST PERTH	2.2	4.5	5.10	7.13	55

GOALKICKERS - South Mandurah: Meikle 6, Loding, Dikoli 4, Hancock, Kirkham 3, Ticehurst 2, Hunting, Major, Parsons, Podmore, Hughes 1 each. **Waroona:** Anzellino 2, Butler, P Green, W Green, N Jones, Thomas 1 each.

BEST PLAYERS - South Mandurah: Ossie Oikoli, Dennis Hancock, Damien Clarke. **Waroona:** Paul Anzellino, Vince Vitale, Rob Deleo.

MUNDIJONG	5.6	12.7	21.15	27.18	180
MANNING	0.2	1.8	1.9	2.12	24

GOALKICKERS - Mundijong: Mike Smith, Stubbs 7, Allison, Chidlow 3, Fimmano 2, Crompton, Gianatti, Gibson, Graham, Ian Williams 1 each. **Manning:** Devereaux 2.

BEST PLAYERS - Mundijong: Ian Williams, Mike Smith, Ian Coulthard. **Manning:** Carl Rova, Hayward Lewis, Brett Devereaux.

AFL RESERVES

Collingwood	16.13	(109)	d	Carlton	9.14	(68).
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GOALS - Collingwood: Shephard 5, Hawke 2, Keays 2, Gladman 2, Groves 2, Wrensted Tranter, Sandford. **Carlton:** Phillips 2, Fotia 2, Sartori, Glascott, Dunlop, Matthews, Naley.

BEST - Collingwood: Hawke, McKeown, Shephard, Hrysoloukas, Wrensted, Richardson, Tranter. **Carlton:** Dunlop, Reineits, McKinnon, Naley.

Fitzroy	20.11	(131)	d	Brisbane	15.6	(96).
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GOALS - Fitzroy: Taylor 5, Dundas 5, Wynd 3, Broderick 2, Mahony 2, Board, Johnston, Cavin. **Brisbane:** Roberts 5, Toppenberg 3, Wilson, Phillips, Sim, O'Brien, Wearne, Umbers, Banfield.

BEST - Fitzroy: Dimdas, Beardsley, Paxman, Bunn, Board, Taylor. **Brisbane:** Roberts, Banfield, Sim, Phillips, Keane, Guertz.

North Melbourne	23.25	(163)	d	Richmond	13.9	(87).
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GOALS - North Melbourne: Arceri 6, Fairley 3, Tudor 2, McGrath 2, Harris 2, Gallagher 2, Smith 2, Dwyer, Ackerley, Clarkson, Harris. **Richmond:** Stockdale 5, Ryan 3, Keighran 2, James, Mahony, Young.

BEST - North Melbourne: Arceri, Ackerley, Harris, Clarkson, Dwyer, Chandler, Fairley, Smith. **Richmond:** McLeod, Ryan, Stockdale, Leighran.

Melbourne	24.13	(157)	d	Geelong	20.6	(126).
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GOALS - Melbourne: Farrell 5, Hughes 3, Mahoney 3, Viney 2, Heaver 2, Morey 2, Campbell, Viney, Howett, Keogh, Cameron, Solyom, Ford. **Geelong:** Goosey 6, Bailey 4, Mansfield 2, Cameron, Christensen, Keane, Malakellis, Phillips, Scott, Wills, Hill.

BEST - Melbourne: Hughes, Campbell, Viney, Ford, Heaver, Keogh. **Geelong:** Bailey, Goosey, Mansfield, Brown, Scott.

Hawthorn	20.21	(141)	d	Essendon	18.12	(120).
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GOALS - Hawthorn: Curran 5, Hudson 5, R. Smith 3, Williams 2, Buckanara, mcGrath, Stephens, Bond, Fleming. **Essendon:** Medew 4, McMullin 4, Filandia, Bailey, Barrow.

BEST - Hawthorn: Cooper, Burke, Hudson, Buckanara, Stephens, Kiggell. **Essendon:** Alessio, Moofre, Bailey, N. Daniher, Medew, Regan.

Footscray	15.12	(102)	d	Sydney	9.19	(73).
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GOALS - Footscray: Ballantyne 4, Moloney 3, Kellett 2, Collins 2, Davies, Hunter, Hannebery, Mansfield. **Sydney:** Nettlebeck 2, Kerr 2, Phylard, Ryan, Gilbert, Lloyd, Angove.

BEST - Footscray: Svlar Del're Hannebery, Mansfield, Cousins, D. Davies. **Sydney:** Ryan, Phylard, Kennedy, Kerr, Denneman, Roberts.

TASMANIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Devonport	28.16	(184)	d	South Launceston	14.18	(102)
Sandy Bay	17.13	(115)	d	Glenorchy	9.13	(67)
North Launceston	18.18	(126)	d	Burnie	11.11	(77)
Hobart	15.17	(107)	d	New Norfolk	14.10	(94)
Clarence	17.14	(116)	d	North Hobart	15.5	(95)

NORTHERN TASMANIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE


Penguin	11.12	(78)	d	Launceston	10.6	(66)
Deloraine	19.15	(129)	d	Burnie	9.15	(69)
Ulverstone	26.16	(129)	d	E. Devonport	7.9	(51)
Smithton	28.20	(184)	d	Latrobe	6.8	(44)
Scottsdale	17.8	(110)	d	George Town	7.12	(54)

VICTORIAN FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

Springvale	19.12	(126)	d	Coburg	17.20	(122)
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GOALS - Springvale: Prosser 6, Robinson 4, Keipert 2, Mithen 2, Shannon, Stewart, C. Dwyer, Nicol, Dudley. **Coburg:** Kaakour 3, Angwin 2, Weatherald 2, Langan 2, Williams 2, Allison 2, Young 2, Gumley, Liston.


BEST - Springvale: Prosser, Koop, Robinson, C. Dwyer, Dempster. **Coburg:** Langan, Liston, Kaakour, Young, Gumley.



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LAST Saturday afternoon I did something that few other West Australian football supporters are able to enjoy. I had a choice of watching two AFL games live.

On a weekend when I was rostered at home in regards to football commenting, I went to the Tuart Hill studios of Channel 7 where I could view the AFL games between the West Coast Eagles and St Kilda and Collingwood versus Carlton.

Both were coming into the studios live and it quickly became apparent just which of the two games was going to be the most interesting.

I'm fortunate that when I happen to be in Perth, I'm able to decide what football I wish to see. That's a choice not offered to many West Australians.

SHORT-SIGHTED

The WA Football Commission's short-sighted view of football on television is taking the game to the brink.

I'm sure that when I raise this matter, I embarrass some of the big wigs at Channel Seven, but it's one of the few things in sport I feel very passionately about.

Each Saturday, West Australian sports fans should be able to receive a live AFL match on television.

That's every Saturday... not just when the Eagles are playing away from home.

People sitting around the WAFC board table are probably tired of having the basketball example thrown at them, but at the risk of stating the obvious, basketball warrants their attention.

If the Commission was to mount a market research campaign, it would find that the most common response to the question: Which is the fastest growing sport in Australia, the answer would clearly be basketball.

SPECIAL COMMENT

by
Channel 7
Commentator



Dennis Cometti

People, even if they don't think that, are almost conditioned to say it.

And basketball has been marketed almost exclusively by television.

The perception of basketball in this town has come about despite virtually the same 4500 people cornering the season-ticket market at the Superdrome in recent years. Only a handful of new fans have been able to attend the matches, yet the sport's popularity has sky-rocketed.

Okay, so maybe they read about it too!

PROMOTION

In round one of the AFL, Dermott Brereton, Gary Ablett, Jason Dunstall and a heap of other stars featured in the Hawthorn-Geelong match at VFL Park which was seen live in all States apart from Victoria and, you guessed it, WA.

Could there have been a better promotion for the game than to let the juniors and their families see those people in action, on the same ground?

It's about time market forces prevailed. Let the 14,000 fans have their SFL games; but let the remainder have access to the best football. And, more importantly, let tomorrow's stars see today's superstars live; let them switch channels and compare Sydney Rugby League with the AFL.

BIGGER CROWDS

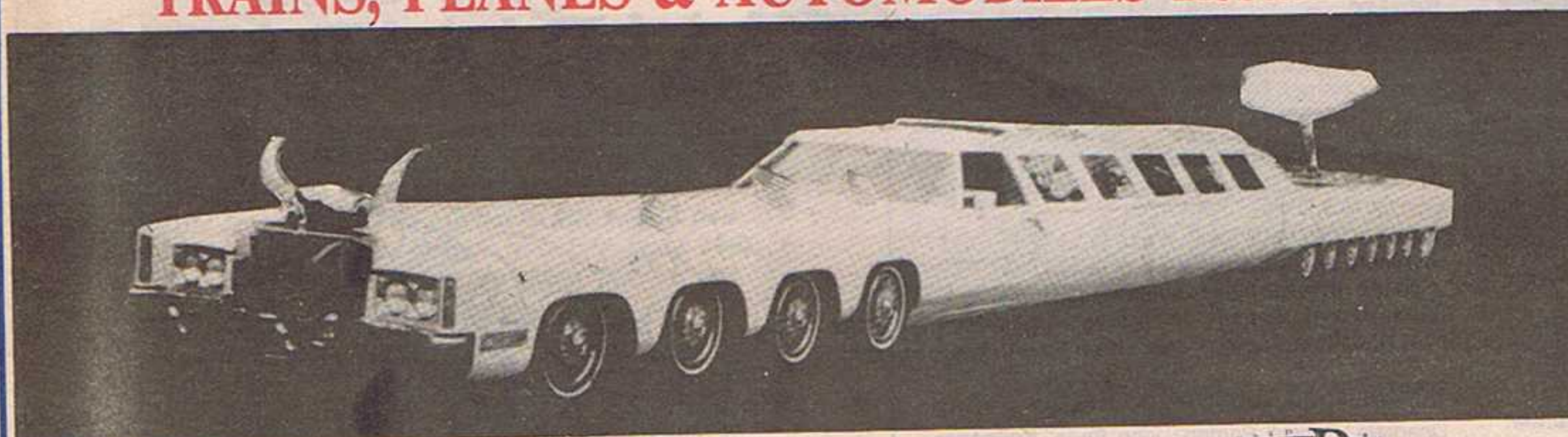
The club football fans will continue to go and watch their local teams, regardless of live AFL telecasts. And the Football Commission, which now oversees the Eagles, could look forward to increased crowds for local AFL matches as the interest in sides other than our home team builds up.

At the end of the day, it doesn't hurt me whether or not AFL footy is live on Saturdays and I wouldn't be surprised if Channel 7 is quite happy to take the line of least resistance, which is probably an old movie and more basketball.

Yet, every time I've raised this argument, I've copped a lashing from people who claim I'm pushing the Channel 7 barrow.

But let me say this... I've got a job covering football either way. Can the knockers of the AFL and television coverage and the loudest defenders of the SFL, claim the same thing if circumstances change still further?

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