



WESTSIDE Football

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Hungry Hawk



- The sight of Hawthorn rover Ben Allan shredding the Fitzroy defence in Hobart last Sunday was enough to send shivers of apprehension down the spines of West Coast Eagles fans this week.
- The former Claremont and WA rover kicked seven goals as he ran rampant during the Hawks massive win over the Lions.
- On Saturday the Eagles will be pulling out all their remarkable negating powers to stop the likes of Allan and brilliant Hawks rover John Platten as the WA club strives to keep its

- unbeaten record intact in the AFL's match-of-the-day at Princes Park.
- But Allan won't be taking things sitting down, as Westside Football photographer GREG WOOD found him during a training session at Glenferrie Oval this week.
- Life hasn't been all that easy for Allan since he moved to Hawthorn, but his goal spree last Sunday saw him at his best. On Page Seven he talks to ALAN EAST about his experiences and aspirations.



● Ken Judge has had a burning desire to coach a league team. Now the former WA, East Fremantle, Hawthorn and Brisbane Bears star has that chance after taking over as coach of East Fremantle. He gets his first opportunity to arrest the Sharks slide against East Perth in the Pepsi Cup match at the WACA Ground on Friday night. Judge took time out this week to talk to ROBBIE BURNS about his plans and hopes for the Sharks future. His story is on Page 3.



● There WILL be a second WA-based AFL team in the future...but when will it be put in place? According to controversial football personality and Westside Football columnist MAL BROWN it has to be sooner, rather than later. His reasons are on Page 5.



● A row is about to erupt between the West Coast Eagles and stubborn Claremont coach Gerard Neesham over the way former Eagles captain Steve Malaxos is being used in the Tigers line-up. KIM HAGDORN gives the details on Page 13.

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STRUGGLING Fitzroy should be kicked out of the AFL and their players split up between the Brisbane Bears and the Sydney Swans.

They have become an embarrassment and a drain on the competition.

It's about time the so-called national competition became just that.

Once again the parochial squeals of Melbourne-based clubs have reached a crescendo.

Some of the influential clubs are running scared at playing a final in WA. I bet they wouldn't mind playing one in Sydney or Brisbane.

These wingers obviously reckon the Eagles will have it all their own way in any finals played in the West.

DISADVANTAGE

What about the situation in reverse? No matter how well they play, the Eagles are still at a major disadvantage having to play finals in Melbourne.

If it's good enough for us to go there, then surely it's good enough for them to come here!

The reaction to the proposal to have another WA club join the competition is another striking example of Victorian parochialism.

AFL Commission chairman Ross Oakley has been quoted as saying that the Swans and Bears need to get it right before another WA club joins the AFL.

What a lot of rubbish!

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Let's get rid of Fitzroy!

They have as much chance of becoming a football power as I have of flying to the moon.

They may have the occasional good season, but they will always need to be propped up with cast-offs from other clubs.

For them to have a significant influence on the competition they will need an infusion of quality players, skimmed from other clubs. Preferably players who have a fairly long football future ahead of them.

For this to happen, the AFL needs to pull its head out of the sand and react positively to rationalising the competition.

As I have remarked on previous occasions, there are far too many Melbourne-based clubs in the AFL.

At least two, preferably three, clubs should be folded up and their players split up.

What have Fitzroy got to offer the competition?

They have become the gypsies of the AFL. No one seems to want them and their football stocks are at a low, Richmond have also seen better days.

In the two games Fitzroy have played in Tasmania, against Carlton and Hawthorn, the other two teams had more support.

The AFL can't pretend it is a national competition if it doesn't do some housekeeping in its own backyard.

Why should all the finals be played in Victoria?

Stiff bikkies if the West Coast Eagles and later the Adelaide Crows become almost invincible at home.



STRAIGHT SHOOTING

with **ROBERT BENNETT** of the Sunday Times

That's the price the AFL has to pay for having a national competition.

Because of the wealth of talent in WA, it is inevitable that another team will need to be formed in this State.

So far there has been an ad-hoc approach to a national competition.

The Melbourne-based administrators want their cake as well as wanting to eat it. And they want us to provide the cream on top.

It's just not on.

SACRIFICES

Sacrifices have to be made. They include playing finals interstate, trimming the number of clubs in Victoria and looking to the other strong football states, WA and SA, to eventually play a bigger role in the AFL.

It is only a stop-gap measure to have teams based in the rugby-strong states of Queensland and NSW.

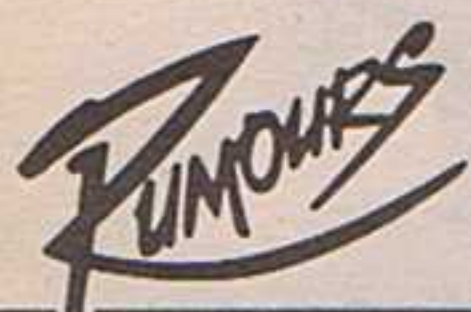
A more realistic approach would be for teams based in Melbourne to be linked with each of those states. They could play their home games in those two states; they would soon get support.

How many more Victorian clubs are going to go down the gurgler and then have to be financially rescued before the message gets home?

There is no place for parochial interests in a national competition. The sooner that is realised, then the sooner the AFL will become what it is intended to be.

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Footy Rumours

GOSSIP FROM AROUND THE TRAPS

Name calling puzzle

THE introduction to league football of West Perth rookie Todd Curley is sure to cause problems for the opposition and commentators alike if last Thursday's game against East Fremantle was any indication. While Curley picked up numerous possessions, the 6WF commentary team of George Grljusich, Glen Mitchell and Malcolm Brown had to stop themselves from mixing his name up with the Falcons regular Eagles player Craig Turley. It's pretty easy to do when you change their letters around, so good luck to commentators if they ever line up together in the same team....either West Perth or the Eagles.

Softly, softly does it

A LOT of our critics in town seem to be going soft lately....or is it just us!! Radio 6PR's Trevor Sprigg was asked his opinion about the surprise inclusion of East Perth's reserves coach John Scott in last Thursday's league team. "He's certainly not the right man for the job," was Sprigg's "kind" comment as he watched Scott struggle to get a touch in the opening term. Even our newspaper benchmark, The West Australian, failed to pass any critical judgement on the exercise....or even mention the likelihood of a fine. And they were the people who pushed for correct teams to be named....or else!

Selection puzzles

THERE must be some young players at East Perth who are wondering just what they need to do to get a game in the seniors. After being part of their strong 1990 finish and then busting a gut over a tough summer preparation, they have been apparently cast aside in the Royals search for new blood. Five newcomers were included in East Perth's opening matches and despite poor form, two of them survived till round four before being dropped. And then two "veterans" were called up to serve in the league side, including reserves coach John Scott, who had supposedly retired and done little pre-season training. The enthusiasm of young hopefuls can only be kept pumped up for so long.



Hi, big brother....nice game. That's the message from former Eagles and South Fremantle rover Wally Matera as he shares a drink with brother Peter after the Eagles had downed Geelong at Waverley last Saturday. Matera has retired from Fitzroy and joined VFA club Prahran this season, resisting the temptation to return home to South Fremantle. "I thought about it," he confessed. "But I like living in Melbourne."

Costly decision

WHILE on the East Perth selection puzzles, the promotion of John Scott to the league side for the Anzac Day battle will be a costly exercise. He wasn't named in the Royals list of 23 released the previous day and his inclusion was a complete surprise. Under new rules this season, that means a \$500 fine for the Royals. It was certainly an expensive gamble as Scott, the club's assistant coach, hardly had a touch and spent most of the day on the bench.

Tough times ahead

EAST Fremantle players will be in for some tough nights on the training track, judging by early reactions of newly-appointed coach Ken Judge. The former Sharks and Hawthorn premiership player has suggested that his new group of players just aren't fit enough. Now, whether that's true or if it's simply an initial assessment of their fade-out against West Perth, no-one knows. But if last Sunday's brief introduction to the players was a sign of how the new coach will get the Sharks snapping, then there will be some sore muscles around in the next few weeks.

Pressure from Vics

THE real pressure for a second AFL team playing out of Perth won't come from fanatical Fremantle people — but from jealous Victorians. The mood in Melbourne is that the sooner the West has to support two teams, the quicker the Eagles will become weaker. There are a number of sports talk-back radio shows in Melbourne and the dominant topic of conversation in recent weeks has been the need for a second team in WA. The AFL clubs based in Victoria are going to push equally hard at board level, so don't be surprised to see the team arrive much earlier than expected.

Romantic flashback

THERE was a romantic air about 6WF's football preview on Saturday morning, thanks to effervescent host Trevor Jenkins. Describing Ken Armstrong's successful return to Lathlain Park, he said: "I guess it would be like waking up with Sophia Loren and finding her still there six years later." Don't know if coaching is that enjoyable, Trevor!

Playing safety first

SUBIACO defender Bill Monaghan came in for some cat-calls when he opted for the safety first rule and forced a point for East Perth in their Anzac Day battle. It was a bit unfortunate, because the hard-working Lion was under siege from the marauding Royals. But when he grabbed the ball about five metres out from goal and turned around to quickly run for the safety of the goal-line, he did leave himself open to a crowd reaction.

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Judge relishes his cherished challenge

FOCAL POINT

with **ROBBIE BURNS**



KEN Judge was a little bit like a kid let loose in a lolly shop on Sunday morning when he fronted up to take charge of his first training session with East Fremantle.

The appointment as coach of the Sharks last Friday as the replacement for Ron Wilcox was the culmination of an eight-year obsession for Judge.

"Ever since I played football at Hawthorn under Allan Jeans, coaching a league team has been a burning obsession for me," Judge said this week.

That desire almost became reality seven months ago when there was a strong move at Sharks board level to remove Wilcox from the job.

RELENTED

Judge declines to talk about that situation, but it's well known that he virtually had the job till a couple of board members relented and left Wilcox in place.

Now the former East Fremantle and Hawthorn premiership player is faced with the onerous task of salvaging something of the 1991 season after a disastrous four losing games.

Judge's only senior coaching experience has been his involvement with WA amateur club West Coast, which he took into the finals in his first season last year.

But he is strongly indoctrinated with the Jeans philosophy of football — and there have been fewer more successful approaches to the game than that



Ken Judge (inset) was a great learner in his Hawthorn days (below) and now he's ready to teach the Sharks



adopted by the former St Kilda and Hawthorn guru.

Judge worked full-time at Hawthorn as a promotions and development officer, coaching the Hawks young elite squad. In that capacity, he had close contact with the man regarded as the best of the modern day coaches.

"In that position, particularly at Hawthorn, you are totally absorbed in football — it's your life and that's how it has to be if you are to succeed," Judge said.

Those who have been closely associated with Judge since he started his 83-game career with the Hawks in 1983 are convinced that the dangerous goal-kicking forward has a tough and uncompromising attitude to football — a la Hawthorn.

He went to Victoria with a reputation as a mercurial half-forward who could turn a game with a quick goal-kicking burst, but he lacked consistency and neglected the unglamorous things such as chasing, tackling and blocking.

"You had to learn both sides of footy to survive at Hawthorn, you could not be a just a flash player there," he said.

In keeping with what he learned with the Victorian power club of the 1980s, the former WA player says there will be nothing fancy about his methods.

BASIC GAME

"The first thing I learned under Jeans was that football is a very basic game — there are 18 players on 18 players and no amount of theory, dialogue or clever tactics will work if the basics are not adhered to," Judge said.

"Jeans used to say 'you can take a sausage and cook it a dozen different ways, but in the end all you have got is a sausage'.

"He applied that to football and it amazed everyone that our training sessions at Hawthorn were so short — usually a little over an hour when most other clubs trained for up to three hours.

"But the Jeans sessions were the hardest hour or so you could imagine. You came off knowing that you had worked hard and I reckon we were the fittest of any of the clubs.

"Current Hawthorn coach Alan Joyce has a similar attitude towards discipline.

"I intend adopting the same sort of sessions at East Fremantle. There will be no need for players to pace themselves over long sessions — they will be short, but hard."

Judge concedes he is taking over at the Sharks at a difficult time and there will be some hard decisions for him to make.

DISCIPLINE

"The club is down on depth and from what I have seen, their fitness level and discipline standards are not what I'd like," he said.

"We need experienced players, particularly through the centre of the ground. We need a very disciplined and dedicated approach from the players we have. The demands I will be making on them will be heavy.

"I know the financial rewards are not great, but most of these players are striving to make it through to the AFL, so there is incentive other than money for them."

Judge is naturally reluctant to discuss likely recruits, but it's fair to assume there will be a few talented players currently unattached to local clubs who will be on his short list.

Judge, believed to be an unanimous choice of the Sharks board when they gave him a two-year tenure, has a long way to go before he proves he has what it takes to be a top coach at WAFL level.

But he does have the credentials — and the desire — to make an outstanding contribution to WA football.

Demons coach is angry

VETERAN Perth coach Ken Armstrong has issued a strong warning to AFL clubs to treat their draft-choice players with respect.

The durable Demon mentor is furious that North Melbourne officials, with scant respect for WA's domestic competition, kept rookie Perth forward Stephen Pears out till late when the Roos were in town for their night match against the West Coast Eagles on April 12.

Pears was an integral part of the Demons line-up to play reigning premiers Swan Districts the next day.

Armstrong, a hard, but fair taskmaster and the man who took Perth to the club's last premierships in 1976 and 1977, has written a letter of complaint to North coach Wayne Schimmelbusch over the matter of Pears' late night.

Pears was picked up by North in last November's national draft, but opted to play another season at Lathlain Park, before trying his luck in the big league.

The 193cm, 20-year-old ruckman-forward was a guest of North at the WACA Ground and according to Armstrong, the Demons were not notified.

The young ruckman, with just 13 senior games under his belt, was out till after 11pm, with his head obviously filled with tales of North Melbourne glory.

"All it takes with these things is a little communication," says Armstrong.

"If they want to be fair dinkum with

By **KIM HAGDORN**

the development of players' habits and respect for what is right and wrong, then these AFL clubs must play their part too.

"I was concerned when I heard Stephen was out so late, with anything but Perth's performance the next day on his mind, as a guest of what is supposed to be a professional football body.

"AFL clubs are fortunate that at 2.20pm on a given Saturday afternoon, they snap their fingers and have someone in place to tell them who are the best players in the WAFL.

GRAFTING

"But it takes a lot of scraping, grafting and developing to have these kids ready for the transition.

"Ultimately, Stephen Pears will be a North Melbourne player and we have no problem with that. But right now he is Perth's responsibility.

"It is common courtesy while he remains with Perth that the two clubs share a decent association.

"Who knows, it might even benefit North as well as in the long term," Armstrong said.

Pears, through a loss of form rather than late nights, was the only casualty of Perth's undefeated three-game run to open the 1991 season under Armstrong.

After some indifferent form in the hat-trick of victories, the developing big man was dumped for last Saturday's clash with Claremont.

But with a distinct lack of focal points up forward for the Demons, Pears should return for the match against Subiaco on Saturday.

However, Armstrong declared he would not go outside his current crop of talent at Lathlain Park in an effort to resolve his lack of forwards, ruling out any prospect of a return of former exciting goal-kicking ace, Wayne Ryder.

The mercurial Ryder, who ignited the Demons forward line occasionally in his 80-game career in the late 1980s, is playing in the Avon Association, but currently has a knee injury.

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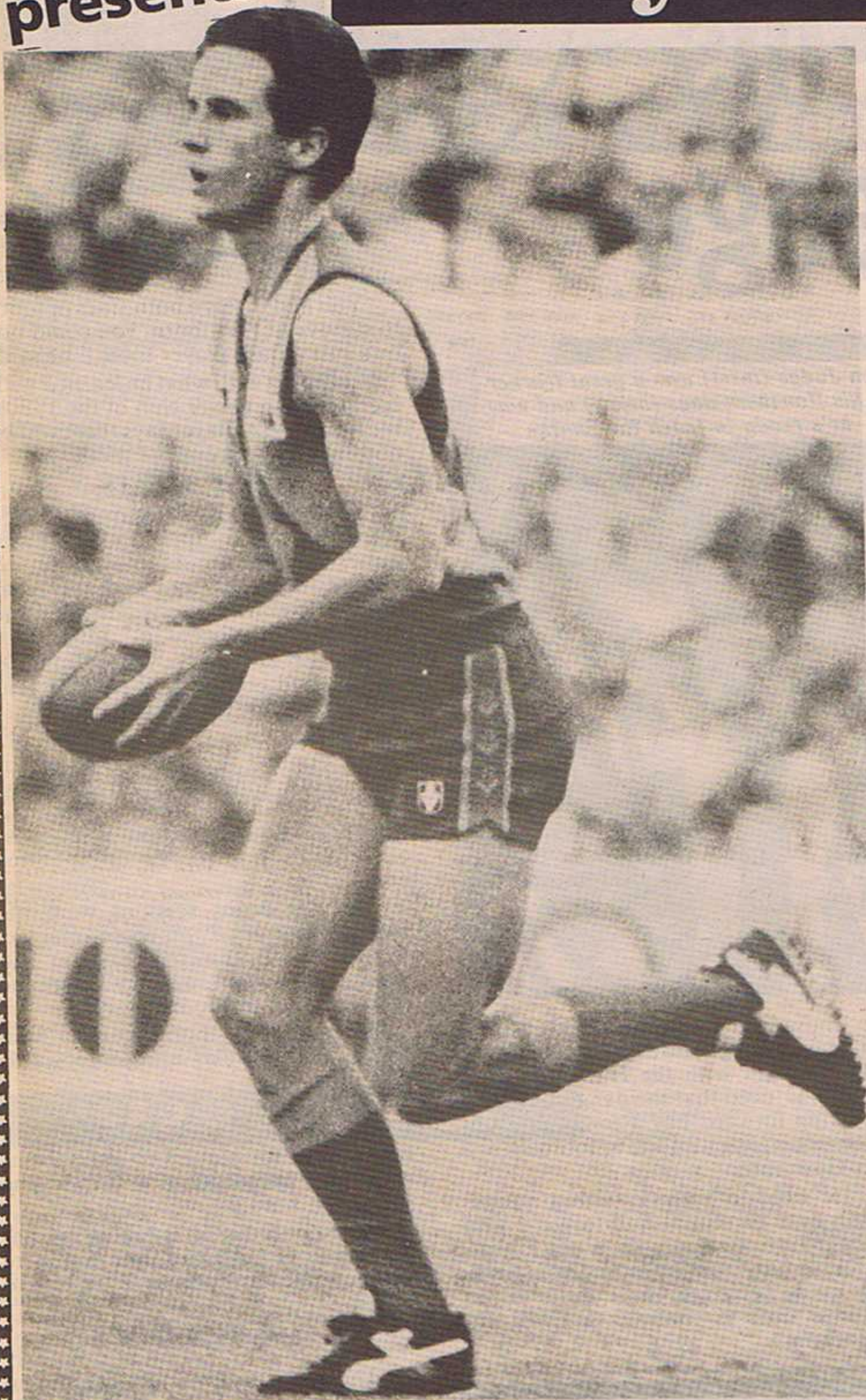
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Player Profile



Paul Hasler



Nickname: Porky **Why:** Because it fits
Date of Birth: 8.8.65 **Place of Birth:** Perth
Height: 183cm **Weight:** 83kgs
Age started playing: Aged 6yrs
Previous club: Osborne Park **Junior club:** Osborne Park
Marital status: Single **Girlfriend's name:** Jacqui
Residence: Carine
Occupation: Sales representative **Place of work:** Murfett Regency
Other sporting interests: Golf, fishing, wave-skiing, walking the dog.
Favourite position: Half-back **First position:** Back-pocket
Current position: Half-back
League debut: 1987 **Versus:** Perth
Games played: 86 **Goals kicked:** 7

FAVOURITES

Actor: Whoopie Goldberg
TV show: The Cosby Show **Movie:** Ghost
Music: Modern Drink **Drink:** Diet Coke
Food: Italian, especially pasta
Ground: Leederville Oval
Your car: Nissan Pintara **Your favourite car:** Ford Falcon
Career highlights: 1987 League debut, finishing in top ten of the 1989 Sandover Medal.
Hardest things in football: Pre-season training
Most memorable game: Drawn first-semi final against East Fremantle in 1989
Ambitions: To play in a winning grand final side
What do you like about football: Being part of a team, winning.
How do you mentally prepare for a game: Relax and think about it
Who influenced your career: My parents and Bill Dempsey
Guernsey number: 46 **Any reason:** Only number left
Worst injury: Ankle
Luckiest break: League debut in 1987



Don Pyke

NICK NAME: Pykey
FAVOURITE POSITION: Centre
CURRENT POSITION: Rover
FIRST POSITION: Rover
No: 10 **HEIGHT:** 180cm **WEIGHT:** 76kg
DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: December 5, 1968, Illinois USA
RECRUITED FROM: Claremont.
FIRST STARTED PLAYING: Aged 6yrs
JUNIOR CLUB: Dalkieth/Nedlands
FIRST SENIOR GAME: 1987 Claremont, 1989 Eagles
GAMES PLAYED: 20 Claremont, 24 Eagles
FOOTBALL HONOURS: Claremont premiership 1987, Claremont fairest-and-best 1988, 3 State games
MARITAL STATUS: Single. **FIANCE'S NAME:** Jodie
OCCUPATION: Accountant
SCHOOLS ATTENDED: University of WA
YOUR CAR: Holden Astra. **DREAM CAR:** Red BMW
FAVOURITE PASTIMES/HOBBIES: Cricket, golf, tennis, gardening
FAVOURITE FOOD: Chinese
FAVOURITE DRINK: Caramel thickshake
FAVOURITE SINGER/GROUP: Midnight Oil
FAVOURITE TV SHOW: Tonight Live.
FAVOURITE MOVIE: Caddyshack
OTHER SPORTS: Cricket, golf
BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: My father - Frank, Gerard Neesham
BEST PLAYER SEEN: Gary Ablett **PLAYERS YOU ADMIRE:** Kevin Bartlett
MATCH DAY ROUTINE: Wake up late, keep busy
FOOTBALL INJURIES: Knee, shoulder, hamstrings
BIGGEST THRILL: Playing in a premiership side
MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: First State game against Victoria 1988
FOOTBALL AMBITION: To win a premiership with the Eagles
PERSONAL MOTIVATION: Desire to succeed



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And because the AFL will be having a truly open draft next season, it is important the team be put in place as soon as possible.

Now, that might sound like stating the obvious coming from me, given I was on the committee investigating the feasibility of a second team.

UNANIMOUS

We put in a lot of work and thought into the study and while a group of individuals will not agree on every point, we were unanimous in agreeing that a second team is important.

But there are certain conditions that must be fulfilled first. The most important is that the WAFC must clear, or restructure, all its debts.

There's no point in getting involved with a second team if the funds are not in place first.

The second team must be based in Fremantle to give it a true identity, as well as creating strong south of the river versus north of the river rivalry between the fans.

I also believe that such a club needs to appoint its directors and other officials, as well as the coach and recruiting staff, at least 12 months in advance so that things are not rushed, as was the case with the Eagles in 1987.

It is important there is a top-line AFL match held in Perth every week-

end, rather than every second or third week, as is the case now. By having a vacant weekend, you open the door to other sports who capitalise on not having a match in Perth.

Right now, we are experiencing three successive weekends in Perth without an AFL game as the Eagles play in Melbourne. This would not happen if there was second WA team.

I hear the readers asking: What about the devastation to local clubs that would be caused by another AFL team?

Remember, there will be only 45 players in each club, with no reserves or colts, so all but those selected or on the injured list would be playing with their WAFL clubs, just as happens now.

There's little doubt the left-over Eagles players such as Cory Young, Robbie West, Craig McNaughton, Glen Ja-

kovich, Stevan Jackson, Geoff Miles, Steve Malaxos and so forth are lifting the level of club football.

Having said all this, it is essential that the new AFL draft is allowed to take only WAFL registered players, rather than being able to get young players from the WA country regions.

Hargrave's cool show

STEVE Hargrave showed last Saturday that he has the makings of an outstanding coach.

Following what was nearly a club record loss to East Perth in his debut game as coach of South Fremantle just three weeks ago, Hargrave has had the maturity to regroup and get his players back on line.

He proved this with an outstanding win over the highly-rated Swan Districts at Bassendean Oval; no mean task up there. Hargrave is obviously a deep thinker when it comes to football and he's cool under pressure.

Eagles visit gutsy Melesso

GUTSY West Coast Eagles big man Peter Melesso got a real lift last Friday night when about 10 players and the Eagles match committee visited him in the Royal Melbourne Hospital.

Melesso moved back to Melbourne some weeks ago to be with his family while he continues his battle with cancer.

His girlfriend Jenny said he had been down a little in spirits lately, but he certainly sparked up on Friday evening and enjoyed catching up with his teammates.

With two more games in Melbourne coming up, the players will no doubt be in to see Peter again and hopefully he will be well enough to come to the Essendon game at Windy Hill in a fortnight.

Lions legends battles Pies

LAST week's demolition of Fitzroy by Hawthorn wouldn't help the Lions present predicament.

But a game organised for this Sunday at Melbourne's Victoria Park between the Fitzroy and Collingwood 'legends' of bygone years should be a good money-spinner for the Lions cause — as well as an entertaining afternoon.

Unfortunately, I've had to turn down my invitation from former Fitzroy skipper John Murphy to stay over for the game, but I'll be making a phone call after the game to check on the bruised list.

Wally Matera looks in

FORMER Eagle and Fitzroy rover Wally Matera and wife Caroline attended last week's match at Waverley and caught up with brother Peter after the game.

Wally is currently playing with VFA club Prahran, coached by former Collingwood spearhead Brian Taylor.

While Prahran receive plenty of media coverage with Taylor's involvement, they are yet to win a game.

Matera is vice-captain of the club and is enjoying his football after a disappointing year with the Lions last season.

with **IAN MILLER**



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Support staff show strength

ONE of the strengths of any club is good off-field support staff in all areas, something the Eagles certainly pride themselves on.

Three regular travellers who do a tremendous job are property manager Hank Gloede, head trainer Bill Sutherland and assistant Dave Jones.

Hank is well known for his humour as well as his organisation, while Bill and Dave spend Friday evening giving players a rub down and, of course, they are flat out on Saturday.

But they don't stop after the game. Bill carries his bag of ice onto the plane to cater for ice packs needed for bruising and muscle strains on the trek home and he has also been called upon for the odd cube of ice if the plane runs dry.

Little between two top sides

THE Eagles top-of-the-table clash with Geelong last Saturday was always going to be a super game and it was good to get the four points in the first of three games on the road.

Before last week it was interesting to compare the two clubs average statistics, where little separated the teams in the number of kicks, marks and handballs.

The final score-line for the Eagles was 134 to 89, up on average for both for and against.

Before last week's game, of the top 35 possession-getters in the AFL, there was not one Eagles player, while Geelong had Mark Bairstow, Adrian Fletcher, Paul Couch, Neville Bruns and Ray Sterrett.

That table certainly shows that Eagles have been producing consistent team efforts.

No value in coach sackings

SACKING coaches midway through a season indicates a weakness in the management of a club, rather than a flaw in the coach who gets the chop.

If a coach is not performing during a season, a club should have astute enough personnel to assist him in the vulnerable areas.

In the case of Ron Wilcox, East Fremantle clearly should have addressed the problem at the end of last season.

It would have been interesting to see how the Sharks would have performed in their opening four games if Ken Judge had been at the helm to take them through the pre-season and work on a recruiting campaign.

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Players	Kicks			Marks			H/balls			Score
	For	Agst	Total	For	Agst	Total	For	Agst	Total	
BRISBANE BEARS										
David Bain	8	3	3							
Peter Worsfold	7	3	4	1.1						
Shane Strempel	4	5	5	2.0						
John Gastev	13	6	12							
Brad Hardie	12	1	8	2.2						
Alex Ishchenko	4	7	9	0.1						
Rod Lester-Smith	8	4	6							
Mark Zanotti	15	11	12							
CARLTON										
Richard Dennis	15	10	3	2.1						
Steve Edgar	13	2	4							
COLLINGWOOD										
Michael Christian	10	10	16							
Craig Starcevich	9	10	5	0.3						
ESSENDON										
Peter Cransberg	7	5	1	2.0						
FITZROY										
Joe Cormack	6	1	1							
David O'Connell	7	7	3							
FOOTSCRAY										
Phil Krakouer	5	2	2	3.0						
GEELONG										
Mark Bairstow	17	1	8							
Stephen Hooper	2	4	3							
Ray Sterrett	11	7	4	0.1						
HAWTHORN										
Ben Allan	12	5	10	6.3						
MELBOURNE										
Darren Bennett	7	8	1	5.2						
Earl Spalding	5	5	4	1.0						
NTH MELBOURNE										
Mark Brayshaw	6	2	5							
ST KILDA										
Paul Harding	2	2	2							
Jim Krakouer	1	1	-							
SYDNEY SWANS										
Wayne Henwood	7	7	5							
Brad Tunbridge	4	5	4							
ADELAIDE										
Stephen Rowe	7	1	11	1.0						

HIT OUTS: David O'Connell 15; Brad Tunbridge 14; Alex Ishchenko 10; Stephen Hooper 10; Michael Christian 3; Wayne Henwood 1; Darren Bennett 1; Paul Harding 1.

Coaching triumph

EAGLES coach Mick Malthouse and Co. clearly out-pointed Geelong coach Malcolm Blight in their respective strategic moves from the coaches boxes on Saturday.

With the Eagles continually switching defensive players around to shut out dangerous Cats like Mark Bairstow, Paul Couch, Tony Malakellis, Neville Bruns and Garry Hocking, Geelong just weren't able to break free.

At one stage the elusive Bairstow found himself locked in a back pocket as he tried to elude his tagger, Craig Turley.

Turley produced a highly-efficient if not all that glamourous display last week.

After a shaky start when he over-did things a couple of times in the first term, he really tightened his grip on the talented Bairstow and held him to just 25 possessions — well below his match average of over 30 touches a game.

"It was always going to be a tough assignment," says Turley, who was told of his opponent on Thursday night before the game.

"I might have been trying too hard early in the game, but I didn't want to be too negative. Even though we have tagging roles, we are expected to get kicks ourselves."

Turley finished the game with 13 kicks and eight hand-passes to be equally as effective a player as the man considered to be the Cats No. 1 midfielder.

Big Eagles guest

THE Eagles could well have felt slightly jealous when their special guest was introduced at their after-match function following their win over Geelong. As the Melbourne fans packed into the social hall for the presentation of trophies, one big man towered over the crowd....North Melbourne Giants basketball star Ray Borner. He presented the trophies to the winning Eagles and even though he looked down on all the victors, he did admit that it was a great game and a good win.

Max who, mate?

THERE'S a wag in every crowd.... and there was one at the Eagles presentation function last Saturday. Just as the lovely lady from cosmetic sponsors Este Lauder was about to announce her choice as man-of-the-match, the wag at the back of the hall timed his shout to perfection. "Max Factor" was his choice — a rival cosmetic name that rocked the house with laughter!

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How the Eagles rated

Player	Mib	Col	NM	Adel	Geel	Tot	Player	Mib	Col	NM	Adel	Geel	Tot
BARICH, Adrian			4	5	4	13	LOCKYER, Andrew	7	7	6	5	5	30
BRENNAN, Michael	6	5	5	6	7	29	MAINWARING, Chris	8	5	7	6	7	33
EVANS, Tony	5	4			9		MATERA, Peter	8	6	7	6	6	33
HART, David	5	5	5	7	6	28	MCGRATH, Craig	4		4	5	4	17
HEADY, Brett	5	6	7	8	7	33	MCKENNA, Guy	6	7	6	7	6	32
HEPBURN, Mark	4	6			10		PYKE, Don		5	7	6	6	24
HYNES, David	5	5	5	5	4	24	SUMICH, Peter	7	7	7	7	8	36
IRVING, Dean	6	5	5	5	5	26	TURLEY, Craig	6	8	7	5	6	32
KEMP, Dean				5	6	11	WATERMAN, Chris	7	5	6	5	5	28
LAMB, Dwayne	5	5	7	7	7	31	WATTERS, Scott	2				2	
LANGDON, Karl		5	6	5	5	21	WILSON, Peter	5	7	5		17	
LEWIS, Chris	7	5	6	5	6	29	WORSFOLD, John	6	6	7	5	7	31

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EAGLES FACT FILE

Name	Games 1991	Total	1991 Kicks	1991 Mrks	1991 H/B	Free Kicks For	Free Kicks Agst	Score
BARICH, Adrian	3	42	21	5	7	0	1	1.1
BRENNAN, Michael	5	85	44	13	9	3	2	3.0
EVANS, Tony	2	2	15	5	6	1	2	1.5
HART, David	5	79	57	10	25	4	6	1.1
HEADY, Brett	5	25	80	35	23	8	6	10.9
HEPBURN, Mark	2	58	15	3	6	0	3	0.0
HYNES, David	5	5	26	8	26	3	4	0.1
IRVING, Dean	5	21	32	12	21	9	4	1.1
KEMP, Dean	2	25	16	7	12	1	2	0.0
LAMB, Dwayne	5	90	51	12	46	4	4	4.2
LANGDON, Karl	4	57	35	16	9	1	4	4.5
LEWIS, Chris	5	74	71	16	20	7	11	9.5



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Top job by Brennan

THE tight defensive performance of Eagles full-back Michael Brennan cannot be overlooked when reviewing Saturday's victory over Geelong.

Brennan had to concede quite a few centimetres to his three opponents in Gavin Excell, Bill Brownless and Stephen Hooper, but he didn't let that hinder his defensive capacities.

He completely shut the dangerous Excell out of the game in the first half, giving him just two kicks and he was tight and efficient in his spells against the two bigger men, Brownless (a real danger at centre-half-forward) and Hooper, whose contribution was disappointing.



All smiles after a job well done is full-back Michael Brennan

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Awards were well spread

SELECTING the recipients for awards at the after-match presentation of trophies following Saturday's win over Geelong was a pretty tough contract, given the evenness of the team performance.

While Peter Sumich's goal-kicking feats stood out, the general high level of contributions from other players was a notable feature of the victory.

The Emu Export Lager award for the team's best-player went to John Worsfold, with other awards being spread through the Eagles top performers.

The Pepsi trophy went to Chris Mainwaring, the Pierre Cardin shirt award to Brett Heady; the Arena Swimwear to Karl Langdon; the Puma award to Peter Sumich and Dwayne Lamb was named Este Lauder's Aramis man-of-the-match.

Lamb's not rattled

THE Eagles camp was a little concerned when tough utility player Dwayne Lamb was staggering around like a punch-drunk boxer late in Saturday's game.

The team's most seasoned AFL player came up pretty groggy after a heavy collision with big Geelong ruckman Damien Bourke.

His knees were sagging and his head was obviously rattling, but he wasn't having anything to do with suggestions that he should see the game out on the interchange bench.

"I was okay after I shook my head and got everything back into place," joked the tough-as-nails Lamb after the match.

Tough day for Wiley

NO-ONE worked harder at Waverley last Saturday than Eagles runner Rob Wiley.

On a day that coach Mick Malthouse made many more positional changes than normal, Wiley was never off his feet.

The fitness fanatic was constantly sprinting across the lush green turf of AFL Park as the match committee switched players continuously to keep the pressure on Geelong's running brigade.

"I felt that it was a tremendous game; the atmosphere was really hectic out there," said Wiley after the match.

"We were expecting a fierce challenge from them early and even when they attacked right from the outset, our guys didn't panic.

"It was our best win of the season, as we just didn't give the Geelong runners any room to move around in."

Losing stand-in

EAGLES selector Tim Gepp earned an invitation to an exclusive group during last weekend's trip to Melbourne for the Geelong clash.

He was invited to take part in the traditional pre-game early-morning clash of the tennis giants, featuring the Eagles match committee.

With the absence of tennis addict Trevor Sprigg — who had nipped over to Tasmania to visit relatives — Gepp was invited to make up the foursome and was allocated to Ian Miller's side of the net.

Coach Mick Malthouse and runner Rob Wiley proved too strong and despite claims from Miller that they "cheated" the result went into the record books.

Whether Gepp gets another chance to atone, only time will tell.

AFL GOALKICKERS

Jason Dunstall (Hawthorn)	32.12	Doug Hawkins (Footscray)	17.11
Peter Sumich (Eagles)	31.20	John Klug (Crows)	15.11
Darren Bennett (Melb)	26.9	Rod Owen (Melbourne)	14.6
Jeff Hogg (Richmond)	20.9	Milham Hanna (Carlton)	14.10
Warwick Capper (Swans)	19.16	Brian Wilson (St Kilda)	13.6
Bill Brownless (Geelong)	19.12	Paul Hudson (Hawthorn)	13.5
Darren Cuthbertson (Melb)	18.9	Peter Daicos (Collingwood)	13.8
Jon Dorotich (Carlton)	18.7	Stewart Loewe (St Kilda)	12.9
Darren Jarman (Hawthorn)	17.8	John Longmire (Nth Melb)	12.13
Gavin Exell (Geelong)	17.11	Brian Royal (Footscray)	12.6

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Allan's success rewards his patience

his patience

By **ALAN EAST**

SUCCESS comes to those who are patient and dedicated.

That is the formula many champions have adopted in climbing their mountains and unassuming West Australian footballer Ben Allan is no exception.

With a Simpson Medal for best-afield in a grand final and another in the interstate arena, plus two Claremont premierships behind him, one could excuse Allan for thinking that the next level on the mountain would be a formality.

But the tough little midfielder from Aquinas College had the seat of his pants dusted a little with a slip down the slide in his first year in Melbourne.

Drafted by reigning premiers Hawthorn, Allan always knew it would be tough succeeding in his debut year in the AFL. But to only play six senior games and post just three goals was something of an eye-opener.

PERSEVERANCE

But the young accountant knew that it was a numbers game and perseverance would see him succeed...and in fine style.

Last Sunday's seven-goal effort against a hapless Fitzroy gave some indication of his improvement; but even ignoring that performance, his displays this year have justified Hawthorn's faith in the tough little man, whose upper-body strength has resulted from a love of water polo, moreso than hours in the gymnasium.

Allan will be a man-to-watch when Hawthorn play host to the West Coast Eagles this week, but he sees no big-deal about tackling some of his former West Australian team-mates.

He still sees his game as having a long way to go and, in typical low-key Hawthorn style, he believes there is ample room for improvement.

"I'm a lot fitter and stronger this year than when I first came to Melbourne," said Allan as he prepared for a short, sharp training run under Hawks coach Alan Joyce at Glenferrie Oval on the eve of the Fitzroy match.

"I've lost a bit of weight, actually, but I've done a lot more running, especially when I was at home over Christmas and I've come to realise just how much extra work you have to do to succeed in the AFL.

"The training is a lot more intense than in WA and you can't afford to relax."

TOUGH WEEK

A typical week of football activity for the 22-year-old following a Saturday match would be something like this:

- * Sunday — a day off, playing golf.

- * Monday — training, with the emphasis on running.
- * Tuesday — a hard session on the training track, with lots of man-to-man work.
- * Wednesday — a light training session.
- * Thursday — a solid, sharp work-out, with the emphasis on high-tempo ball work.
- * Friday — a day off.

The quietly-spoken Allan must have had some reservations about his future over summer when Hawthorn gave the coaching reins on an official basis to Joyce, the man who had been under-study and 1989 premiership stand-in for the legendary Allan Jeans.

Would the little centreman from the West survive in the big league as the new coach weeded out the unwanted players? After all, season 1990 had seen the powerful Hawks miss the grand final for the first time in eight years and heads were destined to roll.

"I guess I was a little nervous, but once Alan (Joyce) took over, there were no problems," says Allan.

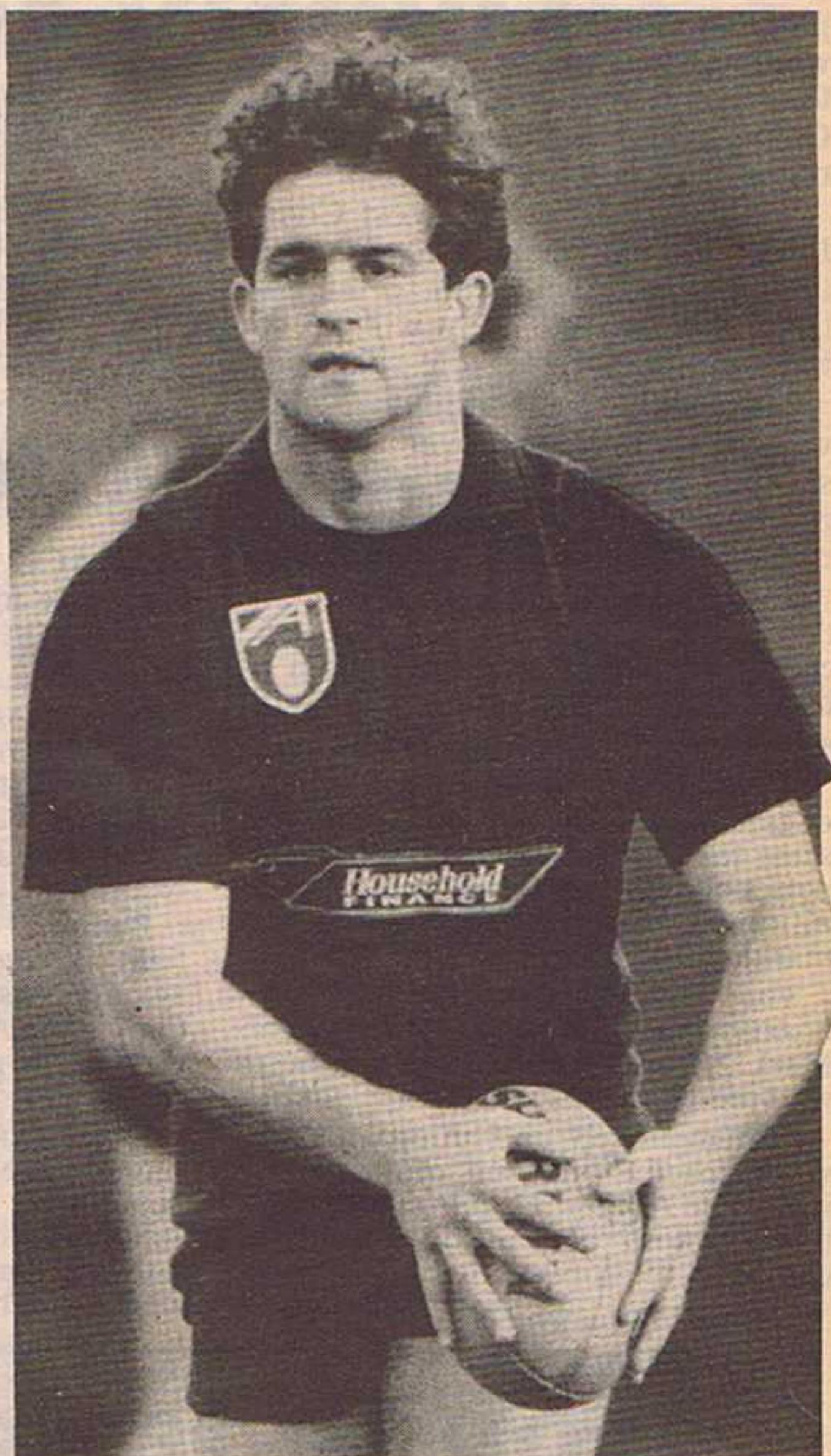
REPUTATIONS

"You know exactly where you stand with him. He spoke face-to-face with every player and he treated everyone on an even level, regardless of your background or reputation.

"He told me that I should concentrate on going to meet the ball a lot harder, but basically he just gave me a great confidence boost. By adopting the extra running programme he gave me, I felt confident of succeeding this year, with his support."

Allan has been used in a variety of roles in the opening games this season, from rover, to centreman and to a tagger. He especially enjoys the responsibility of playing in the middle and his goal-kicking feats out of the centre last Sunday were rather incredible.

As for roving, a wry Allan smile indicates that it's a pretty hard task at Hawthorn with Brownlow Medalist John Platten coming back to his best form.



Former Claremont Simpson Medal winner Ben Allan (inset) trains at Glenferrie Oval where he has made a successful home with Hawthorn.

"He gives me a run sometimes, but it's hard getting him off the ball," laughs the former Tiger.

"But he's gradually getting confidence in me and giving me a few more runs when I am roving."

Allan admits to being a little over-awed when he first arrived at Glenferrie Oval; a traditional bastion of football of the 1980s, but a club with a "closed-shop" reputation. Suddenly he was sharing the locker-room with legends like Michael Tuck, Dermott Breerton, Jason Dunstall, Garry Ayres, Chris Langford and Platten.

"I was really nervous about that," he confesses. "But they accept new recruits very quickly and you soon realise that they are a great bunch of down-to-earth blokes."

Another first for Eagles

LAST Saturday's game against Geelong was the fourth time in West Coast's history that they have been level with their opponents at quarter-time — but it was the first time they have gone on to win.

The Eagles win was their sixth from eight matches against Geelong, which is their fourth-best strike rate against opposing clubs. The only better records are the 100percent success against Brisbane and Adelaide and six wins from seven matches against Footscray.

The Eagles AFL Park record continues to improve — it's now three wins, four losses and one draw.

PETER Sumich's eight goals on Saturday equalled his own Eagles record. He previously scored eight against Footscray in 1989 and against Sydney last year.

Sumich is now second on the AFL goalkicking list with 31 goals. After five games last year he was equal fifth with 22 goals.

This Saturday Sumich will be battling for that goalkicking supremacy with Hawthorn's Jason Dunstall, who has 32 goals, compared to 28 at this time last season.

Last year's leader after five games was Tony Lockett with 35 goals, while the eventual winner, North Melbourne's John Longmire, was back on 22 goals.

HAWTHORN'S score of 36.15 (231) against Fitzroy was a club record, eclipsing their previous high of 35.15 (225) against Geelong in 1986 — and it was the third-highest in League history.

The 157-point margin was Hawthorn's biggest win, beating their 143-point win over Footscray in 1982.

North Hobart became the 25th venue at which the Hawks have played a League game, but only the third

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where they have won on debut. The others were the SCG and Carrara.

SYDNEY continued their sequence of last quarter fade-outs this season when they lost to North Melbourne at the MCG on Anzac Day.

In their four losses this year, they have been out-scored by an aggregate of 33.24 (222) to 7.15 (57) in the last quarters. The scoreless last quarter by the Swans was their first since Round 2 of 1988.

ST KILDA continued their appalling record at Princes Park by losing to Carlton last Saturday.

The Saints last beat the Blues there in Round 17 of 1964 and their losing sequence since then is 22. At one stage (1976-83) St Kilda lost five successive Princes Park games against Carlton by 100 points or more, but in recent years they have gone close to breaking the hoodoo, losing by only one point in 1987 and 1989.

St Kilda last recorded a win against any opponent at Princes Park in Round 12 of 1976, when they came from five goals down at half-time to beat Hawthorn by 25 points.

Since then they have lost to Carlton 13 times, Hawthorn nine times and Fitzroy four times for 26 consecutive defeats.

FITZROY have lost twice already by over 100 points this season. In no previous season in their 95-year league history have the Lions been beaten twice by over 100 points.

Quick start by Cats

GEELONG wasted no time in posting goals immediately after the centre bounce-downs during the clash with the Eagles.

They opened the scoring in each of the first three quarters, but still couldn't hold the edge on the Eagles at the end of the term.

The first Geelong goal was posted inside 35-seconds; they opened the second term with a goal at the three-minute mark and it took them just 49-seconds to goal in the third term.

Impressive record

THE Eagles fifth win of the season continued the impressive coaching record of Mick Malthouse since he joined the club for the start of the 1990 season.

Malthouse, the first non-West Australian to coach the club, has only lost eight games out of 31 since he took over. He left Footscray after six seasons (1984-89) with a win-loss record of 67-66.

Stirring the blood

A BLOODIED footballer always gladdens the heart of a Channel 7 cameraman and when tough Eagles skipper John Worsfold began to bleed from a gash behind his right ear in the third term against Geelong, a rush of close-up shots followed.

It seems as though there was one other person more pleased than the cameraman — Channel 7 commentator Don Scott.

"Smother it all over your face son — it makes you look a little madder," said the former Hawthorn tough guy...as if a fired-up 'Woosha' needs blood to do that!

Power struggle at the Port

THERE will be no shortage of high-powered man-to-man clashes when winning sides South Fremantle and Claremont do battle at Fremantle Oval in the Pepsi Cup game of the round this Saturday.

There are a host of West Coast Eagles players seeking to enhance their claims for a recall to the national league and there will be no friendliness between the rivals.

Both teams are coming off good wins, the Bulldogs over a shell-shocked Swan Districts and Claremont against the boom team Perth in a win that was never in doubt.

Bulldogs forward Stevan Jackson led the way at Bassendean and his first-class return after recovering from a bruised hip will put him a step closer to a return to the AFL.

While Jackson dominated the Bulldogs forward line, John Hutton did the same for the Tigers when he kicked a personal-best eight goals with a magnificent display of fast leading and safe marking.

The Bulldogs forward line also boasts the likes of Glen Jakovich, Mark Spilsbury and Matt Johnson, who are all capable of kicking goals.

Claremont rely on Hutton and Kevin Mitchell for the bulk of their scoring, while Andrew Urquhart and Ashley McIntosh both made promising debuts in the forward line.

John Annear and Merv Dellar were

driving forces in the Bulldogs mid-field last Saturday and Claremont will have to lift their rating in this area as most of their attacking moves against the Demons came from the half-back line.

Desperation duo

SUBIACO and Perth, two sides desperate for a win after round four losses, will take centre-stage at Subiaco Oval this Saturday.

Lions coach Haydn Bunton will clash with Perth coach Ken Armstrong for the first time in WAFL football after they met head-on in the interstate arena at the helms of SA and WA, respectively, in the late 1970s.

Bunton's charges put up a healthy fight in the first half of the match against East Perth at the WACA Ground on Anzac Day, though they let the Royals get away in the final two terms.

Shane Cocker led the way for the Lions in the ruck and Perth's big man department of John Gavranich and John van Rooye will have to lift their rating in an area where the Demons were badly beaten at Claremont Oval.

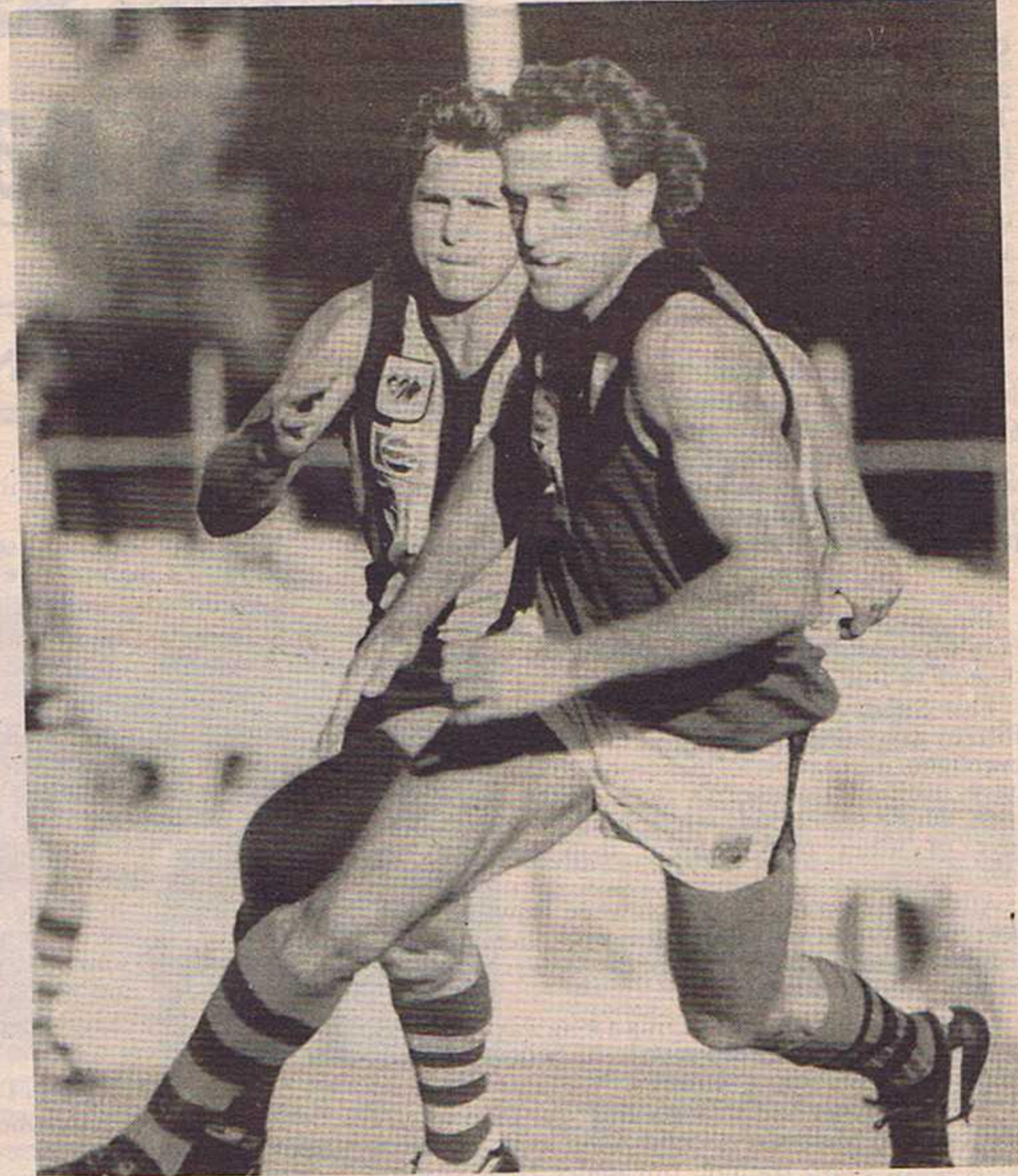
Tough task for hardy Falcons

IT'S hard to make a case for any side tackling Swan Districts on the rebound and that's the unfortunate task ahead of West Perth at Leederville Oval this Saturday.

West Perth and Swans have staged some epic clashes on that ground and the upset win the Falcons had over Swans in June last year will still be fresh in John Todd's mind.

George Michalczyk's side will be charged up after breaking their three-game losing streak and the return of key forward Brian Sutherland from suspension will be an added bonus.

Falcons full-back Brad Gwilliam will have his hands full with Swans lightning-fast full-forward Kevin Caton, who has been in damaging form, while young Swans ruckmen Travis Edmonds and rookie Jason Ball will have a tough job against experienced campaigner Craig Nelson.



Two team-mates from the West Coast Eagles camp were fierce rivals last Thursday....and will be key players for their teams again this week. East Perth's Paul Peos has the front spot on Subiaco's Ian Dargie in this tussle from the Anzac Day battle.

Sharks under the spotlight

THE under-lights clash between East Perth and East Fremantle at the WACA Ground on Friday will be the Sharks first chance to show that they can turn their fortunes around under newly-appointed coach Ken Judge.

Judge's fresh approach to the game gives the club, laden with talented footballers, no excuse not to perform after dismissing the turmoil of recent weeks.

The Royals will be playing their second game in as many weeks on a ground they are most familiar with and it is hard to see the Sharks opening their account.

Ryan Turnbull dominated for the Royals in their last outing and their band of runners Eric Maroni, Lucio Baroni, Paul Peos, Shawn Colbung and George Giannakis also dominated.

In-form Sharks Mark Amaranti, Jeff Davidson and Darren Hammond will again be called upon to lift the blue and whites and ruck-rover Glen Moir should earn a recall from the reserves.

Forwards John Lawrence and Neil Lester-Smith need to improve on their early season performances if the Sharks are to kick a winning score.

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Top Score — just pick the winning team in the two games nominated by an asterisk (*) and guess their score.



Radio 6PR commentator and horse-breeding fan Percy Johnson has come up with these selections for this weekend's football betting:

Friday, May 3

East Perth v East Frem (1)
N.Melbourne v Fitzroy (6)

H EP 32-34pts
H N.Melb 47-49pts

Saturday, May 4

South Fremantle v Claremont (2)
Subiaco v Perth (3)
**West Perth v Swan Districts (4)
**Hawthorn v Eagles (5)
Essendon v Carlton (7)
Melbourne v Brisbane (8)
St Kilda v Adelaide (9)

H SF 19-21pts
H Subiaco 10-12pts
A SD 16-18pts SD 175pts
A Eagles 25-28pts Eagles 110
H Essendon 7-9pts
H Melbourne 47-49pts
H St Kilda 1-3pts

Sunday, May 5

Sydney v Geelong (10)
Footscray v Richmond (11)
Collingwood — Bye
(1-11 Footy Scoop numbers) * Denotes top score games

A Geelong 29-31pts
H Footscray 1-3pts

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W-Win, L-Loss (figures in brackets represent winning/losing margins)

CLAREMONT: L(9),W(62),W(16),W(34)
EAST FLEM: L(73),L(42),L(56),L(30)
E. PERTH: W(125),W(64),L(21),W(59)
PERTH: W(73),W(45),W(8),L(34)
SOUTH FLEM: L(125),W(42),L(8),W(74)
SUBIACO: W(30),L(62),W(56),L(59)
SWANS: W(9),L(45),W(21),L(74)
W. PERTH: L(30),L(64),L(16),W(30)

AFL FORM GUIDE

W-Win, L-Loss, B-Bye, D-Draw

BRISBANE: B,L(46),L(57),L(102),L(22),L(31)
CARLTON: B,W(23),W(57),L(45),L(37),W(34)
COLLINGWOOD: W(60),L(27),W(59),D,W(22),L(36)
ADELAIDE: W(86),L(23),W(24),L(45),L(65),W(31)
EAGLES: W(79),W(27),B,W(72),W(65),W(45)
ESSENDON: B,W(4),W(73),W(45),W(31),W(31)
FITZROY: B,L(131),L(59),L(16),L(24),L(157)
FOOTSCRAY: L(60),B,L(49),W(16),W(11),L(31)
GEELONG: B,W(26),W(49),W(102),W(37),L(45)
HAWTHORN: L(86),W(91),W(57),B,L(11),W(157)
MELBOURNE: L(79),W(131),L(9),W(45),W(70),W(36)
NORTH MELB: B,W(46),L(73),L(72),L(70),W(54)
RICHMOND: L(25),L(4),L(57),L(37),W(24),B
ST KILDA: W(25),L(26),W(9),D,B,L(34)
SYDNEY: B,L(91),L(24),W(37),L(31),L(54)

Hawks pose tough threat



THE strength of the West Coast Eagles in the tight clinches will be put the test when they tackle the mighty Hawthorn machine at Princes Park this Saturday.

One of the most pronounced improvements in the Eagles football under Mick Malthouse is their work in the packs and on Saturday they come up against arguably the toughest side in Australian Football.

In the opening five rounds, the Eagles have been suited by playing two games at Subiaco Oval, one at the WACA Ground and a further two fixtures at Waverley — grounds with wide open spaces.

This week it will be a different story on the tiny Princes Park and the Eagles face their stiffest challenge.

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But the boys from WA are likely to survive this test in the same emphatic fashion that they have handled every other assignment since losing a first round Foster's Cup match to St Kilda in February.

Hawthorn's crushing victory over Fitzroy would have done little to prepare them for this clash, other than to give them a massive dose of confidence, because last Sunday's game in Hobart was little more than a training gallop.

The ease with which the Hawks brushed aside Fitzroy was, at times, embarrassing, while the Eagles should benefit from the tough hit-out with Geelong.

It was difficult to gauge just how good Hawthorn were, because there was little opposition. But just the same, they were impressive.

The South Australian connection will be the danger-factor for the Eagles.

Brownlow Medallist John Platten approaches his best form after being dogged by injury for much of last season; Tony Hall showed no signs of the knee injury which kept him out of football for a year and Andrew Jarman was simply devastating, kicking five goals in the opening quarter onslaught.

The return of Chris Mew was important from the Hawthorn viewpoint, with the champion defender coming back in ideal conditions to pick up the flow of the game.

The Hawks are strong down the goal-



Hawthorn dangerman Andrew Jarman...all smiles after a seven-goal haul last Sunday

to-goal line, even with the absence of Dermott Brereton, who has a week to go to complete his suspension dished out in the opening match against the Adelaide Crows.

The task of watching the Hawthorn runners will again be given plenty of thought.

Malthouse is very studious when it comes to shutting down the opposition prime movers and it would not surprise to see David Hart assigned to Platten, Craig Turley on Hall and John Worsfold on Jarman.

Guy McKenna could be handed the job of shadowing his former Claremont teammate Ben Allan, who has now picked up the tempo of AFL football and is in good form.

Jason Dunstall is another man who must be stopped and either Andrew Lockyer or Michael Brennan could find themselves opposed to the powerful full-forward.

But the Eagles are not the only team who must nullify key players and Hawthorn will have trouble countering the influence of star forwards Brett Heady, Peter Sumich and Chris Lewis.

Sumich has made a brilliant start to the season with 31 goals from five games and he is getting a healthy share of the ball. He will probably be pitted against strong Hawks defender Chris Langford.

Provided the Eagles do well in the midfield, through the likes of Chris

Mainwaring, Don Pyke, Worsfold, Hart, Turley, Dean Kemp and Peter Matera, the Eagles should be able to produce the winning formula.

Under Malthouse, the Eagles have reached many milestones and victory against Hawthorn will give them another first by producing their longest winning streak.

In 1988, under John Todd and again last year under Malthouse, the Eagles won five games straight and now they are aiming for their sixth successive win.

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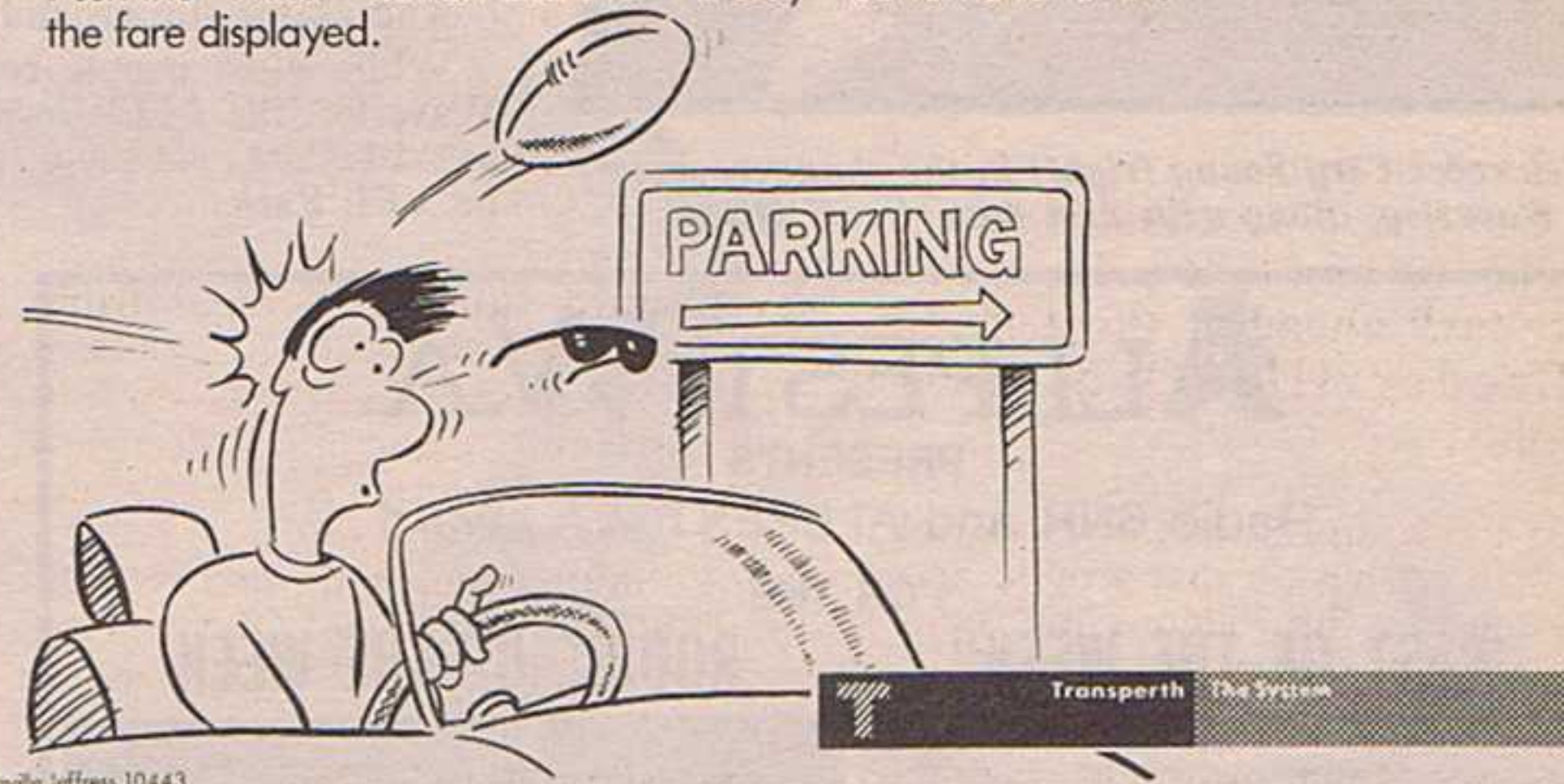
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Those Eagle invaders



Westside Football journalist ALAN EAST and photographer GREG WOOD join the Eagles on the road



Welcome weekend

YOUNG Eagles rover Cory Young enjoyed the victory over Geelong as much as his team-mates. The former Richmond player was given a trip back home by the Eagles hierarchy as his WAFL team Subiaco had played on the Anzac Day Thursday and he had a few days off. He caught up with some family and friends, saw a great victory by the West Coasters...and got some treatment for a couple of heavy bumps that he copped in the clash with East Perth.



Eagles rover Cory Young (right) in the changerooms at Waverley, along with 21st man, Geoff Miles.

Funny Victorians

NOW YOU know why Steve Vizard and Daryl Somers are both considered to be television funny-men. They both tipped Geelong in the Melbourne Herald-Sun's celebrities tipping panel last week! They were the only loyal Victorians among the nine guest tipsters, with such luminaries as Bob Hawke, John Hewson, Joan Kirner and Jeff Kennett all going for the Eagles.

Dedicated fan

THERE'S very few fans as dedicated to following the West Coast Eagles as sponsor Denis McInerney. Not only does his McInerney Ford operation in Morley employ giant ruckman Laurie Keene and provide plenty of support for WA football, but Mac won't miss a game if he can help it. That's a real problem when they play on the East coast — and you don't like flying! It was a rather tired-looking McInerney who arrived at the team's Sheraton Hotel in Melbourne last Friday night after crossing Australia by train in time to see their win over Geelong. He has opted to stay in his former home town for the next two Melbourne games.

Home away from home

THE ground with no name — as Victorian commentator Lou Richards calls Waverley — is becoming a happy hunting ground away from home for the Eagles.

Saturday's victory over Geelong was the Eagles second win there this season — and their sixth consecutive away game at the Park.

With a win, a draw and two losses in their finals campaign there last season, plus two successful campaigns on the ground this season, the players are starting to feel very comfortable on the wide open spaces.

And as for the ground's name, who knows!

While most people refer to the ground simply as Waverley, the AFL's own Football Record describes it as AFL Park, yet the official name is still supposed to be VFL Park.



Contemplating what lies ahead...that's Eagles star wingman Dean Kemp as he sits on the front steps at Melbourne's Sheraton Hotel before joining his team-mates on a brisk run through Fitzroy Gardens as they prepared for Saturday's clash with Geelong

THE on-field co-operation that exists between Subiaco team-mates Brett Heady and Dean Kemp in the Eagles forward line doesn't extend off the field.

At least, not when it comes to video games! The two talented youngsters fill in time at Melbourne's Tullamarine Airport by testing their skills on the video machines and there is fierce rivalry between them.

Suma plans to straighten up

THE goal-kicking feats of Eagles sneak Peter Sumich make regular reading in these columns....but he's far from happy with his lot at present.

While Suma is pleased with his match-winning form, he wants to improve on his accuracy and he was certainly disappointed when he posted 8.7 — plus one out of bounds shot — from his 16 kicks at goal last week.

"I should have got a dozen," said Sumich after the match that saw him move to within one goal of Hawthorn's Jason Dunstall on top of the AFL goalkicking table.

"I'm disappointed at kicking so inaccurately, especially on the easy shots. I feel as though I let the other guys down when I miss easy shots at goal."

However, despite Sumich's inaccurate kicking, he does post some tremendous goals and several of his eight majors last Saturday went sailing through despite the difficult angle or the distance out of goal.

Ground problem

HAWTHORN'S 157-point demolition of Fitzroy at North Hobart Oval last Sunday highlights the need for standardising the size of all AFL grounds.

Essendon coach Kevin Sheedy is one leader concerned about the inconsistencies in the size of grounds used in the national competition.

The mammoth percentage-booster that Hawthorn received when they were handed a fixture against the hapless Lions in Tasmania was like a blessing; almost as good as another four premiership points in this year's tight competition.

St Kilda must be licking their lips while they wait for their chance to meet Fitzroy on the smaller apple-isle oval on Sunday, June 16 knowing that the Hawks kicked a club-record score at the ground.

It makes you wonder what rival clubs will say if Hawthorn sneak into the six, or grab any place in the finals, on percentage.

Facilities plague Vic clubs

VICTORIAN clubs are nowhere near as well off with their training and administrative facilities as you would expect.

The trauma that the West Coast Eagles experienced in their early years in relation to a lack of an official headquarters pales into insignificance when compared to what some Victorian clubs endure now.

The traditionally-strong Melbourne Football Club had to do most of their pre-season training on an open reserve adjoining a car park simply because they don't have their own ground.

Despite being linked with the Melbourne Cricket Ground for many years, they are never allowed to train there and, in fact, use the obsolete Junction Oval at St Kilda as their headquarters.

But they cannot get onto that ground for training till the cricket season finishes, which means that this season was three weeks old before they slipped into full-scale training there.

UPGRADING

The Hawthorn Football Club are currently spending more than \$1-million to upgrade their premises, with new changerooms, a spa bath, better gymnasium facilities and updated administration offices.

They are located at Glenferrie Oval, a relic from football's early days, but are more than grateful that they at least have the oval for their own use for 12 months of the year.

Their improvement programme will obviously provide them with some fancy facilities — but still wouldn't compare to the headquarters that some of our WAFL clubs like East Perth, Swan Districts or Subiaco enjoy.

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Stats tell different stories

STATISTICS, those reams of facts and figures that come out of every football match these days, often tell only part of the story.

Take the stats on tackles, for example.

It's a well documented fact that the West Coast Eagles are the most fierce and effective tacklers in the AFL this season.

Yet when it comes to combined tallies of tackles over the opening five rounds, only three Eagles players feature in the top 35 list of AFL tacklers.

LIGHTLY BUILT

And two of them are unlikely additions to the list — wingman Peter Matera and rover-defender Don Pyke are both lightly built and not known for the physical aspects of the game.

Yet Matera ranks equal second on the list with 14 (one less than Footscray's tiny Brownlow Medallist Tony Liberatore) while Pyke is ranked at No. 33 with 10 tackles — six of them against the Cats last Saturday.

High on the list with 13 is Chris Lewis, probably regarded as the best tackler in the competition.

But generally, the bottom clubs are featuring more prominently on the top 35 list, an indication that players from losing teams are second to the ball and have to play catch-up football.

Cox the right man for Tigers

CLAREMONT made a wise choice in the appointment of former West Coast Eagles and Richmond football manager Russell Cox to the post of general manager.

Cox has had extensive experience at all levels of football administration and his time with the AFL clubs should prove invaluable to the Tigers.

There are few people with his background in football administration who have such a strong rapport with players.

He has made football a career and is a progressive lateral thinker on the game. He will make a worthwhile contribution to footy in WA — not just at Claremont.

Rioli on the improve

FORMER South Fremantle rover Willie Rioli is making good progress at Hawthorn after a good pre-season build up.

The solidly built 19-year-old, drafted by the Hawks in November, has been playing well in the reserves and has impressed coach Alan Joyce, a hard man to please.

Soccer convert star of future

LOYAL FANS of the Kwinana United Soccer Club could be excused for having a few pangs of envy if they had followed the football career of strongly-built South Fremantle defender Martin Atkins in recent times.

Back in 1983, a 16-year-old Atkins was showing promise as a soccer player — hardly surprising because he had just migrated from England with his family and he had never even heard of Australian Rules football.

After a couple of seasons playing what comes naturally to most Englishmen, Atkins was persuaded to kick a real football in the park with a few of his new-found Aussie mates.

AWARD WINNER

And it didn't take long before Kwinana football identity Terry Lloyd talked the big Atkins into playing Australian football at club level with Kwinana — and winning a consistent stream of fairest and best awards, starting with the top trophy in the Sunday Football League colts competition.

Not bad for a bloke who hadn't touched a football till he was about 17!

About that time former South Fremantle and WA wingman Tony Morley alerted the Bulldogs to the potential of Atkins.

"I was attracted to Australian football because of the physical aspect of the game and its heavy team-orientated emphasis," said Atkins.

"Before I left England I played a couple of seasons of rugby union and I enjoyed the physical contact part of the game."

The tall and ruggedly-built Atkins — he is 190cm tall and weighs 94kg — played all his early football in the ruck; winning the Bulldogs colts fairest and best award in his first year with the club and went one step further last season by taking out the reserves award.

"I thought I'd give footy just one year and see how I went," the Victoria Quay police constable said. "If I didn't look like I was going to make it, I intended going back to soccer."

ATMOSPHERE

"I really enjoy the atmosphere and the camaraderie at Souths, so there was never any chance of me going back to soccer, though I still play indoor soccer during the summer."

Atkins' soccer skills were evident on Saturday when he cleverly chipped the ball from the ground across to Glen Jakovich on the way to a Bulldogs goal.

But what was more significant about his game was his tight checking and robust clearing dashes. He formed part of a backline that gave the Swan Districts forwards no room to manoeuvre, thus playing a big part in the upset 74-point win.

Atkins, big, strong and fearless, may not make it three fairest and best awards in a row. But on his early form this season, he will justify that initial 1989 debut and develop into a key player with the Bulldogs.



Soccer convert Martin Atkins



KICKING AROUND
with
ROBBIE BURNS

JA hopes to heal himself

JOHN Annear's hopes of playing for South Fremantle against his old club Claremont this week will probably depend on his own skill as a physiotherapist.

Annear, who opened his own physio clinic earlier this year, has been battling to overcome a thigh injury that forced him to miss the opening three games of the Pepsi Cup competition.

He debuted for the Bulldogs last Saturday, but hurt an ankle — but not before he did an outstanding job tagging his former Eagles teammate Troy Ugle.

Options open up for Thorne

THE appointment of Ken Judge to the top Sharks job could cost Claremont an important player later this season.

Tigers rover Peter Thorne, a key man in the club's success over the past four seasons, is on the temporary retirement list. But as runner for Claremont coach Gerard Neesham, there is sure to be plenty of pressure on him to make a comeback.

However, there is now a move to entice him to take over the role as coach of amateur club West Coast, vacated by Judge last week.

Unless of course, there's another league club looking for an experienced and extremely competent rover capable of ripping holes in a rival defence!

Dilemma for Buss

EAST Fremantle wingman Cadell Buss, who showed some promise in his six league games last year, has not had any joy in getting a clearance after being struck off the Sharks list this season.

He has been trying to get a clearance to South Fremantle, but the two clubs have failed to reach agreement on a transfer.

Door closes for Neesham

THE appointment of Ken Judge as coach of East Fremantle for the next two years has put paid to speculation that Gerard Neesham would return to the Sharks in 1991.

There was strong support for the theory that caretaker coach Tony Micale would stay on as coach of the Sharks for this season; keeping the seat warm till Neesham's contract as coach of Claremont expires in October.

Neesham, who started his league career with East Fremantle back in 1975 and was a key member of the club's 1985 premiership, is still considered an East Fremantle boy at heart, despite playing in two Swan Districts premiership teams and coaching the Tigers into four consecutive grand finals for two flags.

Regardless of his enormous success with Claremont after taking over in 1987, there are signs of friction between Neesham and some Tigers officials and a shift of clubs would come as no surprise at the end of the season.

But it would now appear there is no opening for him back home. Perhaps he will still end up as coach of a second WA-based AFL team, especially seeing that Fremantle is the nominated choice.

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Owens has to sit it out

STALWART Claremont defender Peter Owens is set to miss two months of football action after undergoing surgery at the Mount Hospital this week.

Owens, who missed last Saturday's game against Perth with a bone chip in his left knee, has played only two

games this season, after missing the season-opener against Swan Districts with influenza.

From the grandstand at Claremont Oval, Owens praised the work of the Tigers defence against the Demons.

"It seems to be a trait of Claremont to be able to keep the visiting opposition sides down to low scores," Owens said before singling out the good work of Scott Edwards on Warren Nicholas.

"It's great to see Scott back after recovering from a back injury."

Edwards played an outstanding first half, keeping centre-half-forward Nicholas, usually a reliable avenue to Perth's goal, kick-less, goal-less and mark-less.

Top battle in the goalsquare

THE Anzac Day battle between experienced Subiaco forward Todd Breman and young East Perth defender Marcus Seecamp was as intriguing as any war contest.

The man-on-man duel was one of the highlights of last Thursday's encounter at the WACA Ground, with the two players both enjoying periods of ascendancy.

Breman, a member of the West Coast Eagles squad and celebrating his 100th game for Subiaco, finished the day with 5.1 — but Seecamp was far from disgraced.

The 25-year-old Breman has played 22 AFL games and with 275 goals for Subiaco to his name — including his 111 and 77 in 1987 and '88 when he topped the WAFL goalkicking table — he represented a formidable opponent for the 18-year-old Royal.

The two figured in some classic toe-toe marking duels, with Seecamp coming out on top. But Breman's elusiveness around the goals saw him get away several times to post clever goals.

CELEBRATED

The Lions forward had celebrated his century milestone by breaking in a new pair of boots in a bid to straighten up his kicking after posting 4.6 against East Fremantle a week earlier.

Seecamp, big and strong, but a fairly speedy youngster, comes from East Perth's Roleystone territory and has emerged this year as a defender after playing most of his previous games on a half-forward flank.

"I haven't played at full-back very much," he conceded after the victory over Subiaco.

"But I really enjoyed the challenge of playing on Todd. I had Kevin Caton at Swans the week before and it builds up your own confidence if you know that you are playing on good players each week."

WAFL LEADING GOALKICKERS

Glen Bartlett (East Perth)	20.8
John Hutton (Claremont)	18.13
Kevin Caton (Swan Dist)	16.9
Willie Dick (Perth)	15.3
Todd Breman (Subiaco)	13.10
Steven Grant (South Frem)	13.5
Mick Hastie (Swan Dist)	11.6
Cory Young (Subiaco)	11.4
Robbie West (West Perth)	10.0
Rod Lester-Smith (East Frem)	9.7
Shawn Colbung (East Perth)	9.6
Craig McNaughton (Perth)	9.5



There's no substitute for winning....as West Perth coach George Michalczyk clearly shows after the Falcons got their first premiership points of the year at the expense of East Fremantle.

Falcons snare a Royal

YOUNG West Perth rookie Dale Warren could well have been wearing royal blue and black colours this year if it hadn't been for some persistent Falcons recruiting.

The Hale School student followed East Perth as a youngster as he grew up on the family farm at Wialki, near Beacon, in the wheatbelt.

But during his five years at Hale, where he captained the school's Alcock Cup team, he was monitored closely by West Perth talent scouts.

After finishing his school commitments in 1989, he was quickly slotted in at Leederville Oval and played impressively in the reserves, earning promotion to the seniors at the half-way mark.

He finished last year with 10 league games to his credit and he has gone on with that form this season.

Warren is being used as a wingman, but enjoys a roving role and as he settles into league ranks he will probably be given more on-ball work.

"I'm pretty happy about the decision to come to West Perth," said Warren after a solid contribution to the Falcons victory over East Fremantle, his second league game for this season.

Seminar for women

A SPECIAL seminar will be held at the Parade Hotel in Bunbury this Friday, featuring Barry and Helen Cable, who will discuss the role of women in football.

The Cables will join co-ordinator Christyne Olsen and FDT South-West co-ordinator Colin West at the luncheon, which aims to answer women's

questions on football, the roles women can play or just how to cope with football-crazy sons and husbands.

Other topics will be football in the South-West and the role of the Football Development Trust. Cost of the noon seminar is \$9 and for further information ring Christyne Olsen on (097) 201 110 or Colin West on (097) 910 800.

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- 48 Peter Quill (East Frem)
- 48 Dean Kemp (Subiaco) *
- 48 Troy Ugle (Swan Dist)
- 48 Tony Evans (Claremont) *
- 46 Glen Jakovich (South Frem)

* Denotes games played with more than one club as follows: Billy Krakouer 33 East Frem, 16 Claremont; Shane Cable 13 Subiaco, 35 Perth, 1 Eagles; Mark Bayliss 44 South Frem, 4 Collingwood; Dean Kemp 23 Subiaco, 25 Eagles; Tony Evans 46 Claremont, 2 Eagles.

100 GAMES

- 98 Kevin Caton (Swan Dist) *
- 98 Cliff Collard (South Frem)
- 98 Warren Nicholas (Perth)
- 97 Joe Santostefano (Perth)
- 97 Murray Rance (Eagles) *
- 97 Wayne Dayman (West Perth)

* Denotes the tally includes games with more than one club as follows: Kevin Caton 80 Swans, 1 Eagles, 9 Fitzroy, 8 Bears; Murray Rance 40 Footscray, 57 Eagles; 84 Subiaco, 10 St Kilda.

150 GAMES

- 149 Brent Hutton (Swan Dist) *
- 149 Steve Malaxos (Clare)
- 147 Phil Scott (Subiaco) *
- 145 Len Gandini (Swan Dist) *

* Denotes that tally includes games with more than one club as follows: Brent Hutton 136 Swan Districts, 13 Eagles; Phil Scott 81 Subiaco, 66 Eagles; Len Gandini 52 Swan Districts, 92 Perth, 1 Melbourne.

200 GAMES

- 199 Shane Ellis (East Frem) *
- 184 Darrell Panizza (Claremont)

* Denotes that tally includes games with more than one club as follows: Shane Ellis 189 East Fremantle, 10 Eagles.

250 GAMES

- 241 David Palm (West Perth) *
- 239 Dean Turner (East Perth) *

* Denotes that tally includes games with more than one club as follows: David Palm 75 West Perth, 62 Norwood, 104 Richmond; Dean Turner 129 East Perth, 56 Eagles, 54 Fitzroy.

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Neesham, Eagles to clash over Malaxos

By
KIM HAGDORN

DETHRONED West Coast Eagles captain Steve Malaxos hopes he can look back on his 150th league appearance for Claremont this Saturday with fonder recollection that his 149th game for the Tigers.

Malaxos was taken from the ground twice during last Saturday's clash with Perth, fuelling speculation that the much-publicised rift between Tigers coach Gerard Neesham and the Eagles is simmering waiting to boil over again.

Neesham crashed head-on into conflict with West Coast officials last year over his handling of Eagles players.

Former Eagle John Annear and current squad members Ryan Turnbull and Peter Higgins transferred clubs in the off-season, while defender Geoff Miles explored the prospect of moving to East Perth amidst the row.

While Neesham retains the right to run his team his way — and has done so effectively to date with four successive grand final appearances — Malaxos is desperately battling to win back a berth in the powerful Eagles line up.

DAUNTING

Malaxos faces a daunting task to win a spot in the slick Eagles on-ball division.

To impress coach Mick Malthouse and his co-selectors however, the former skipper requires as much WAFL game-time as possible.

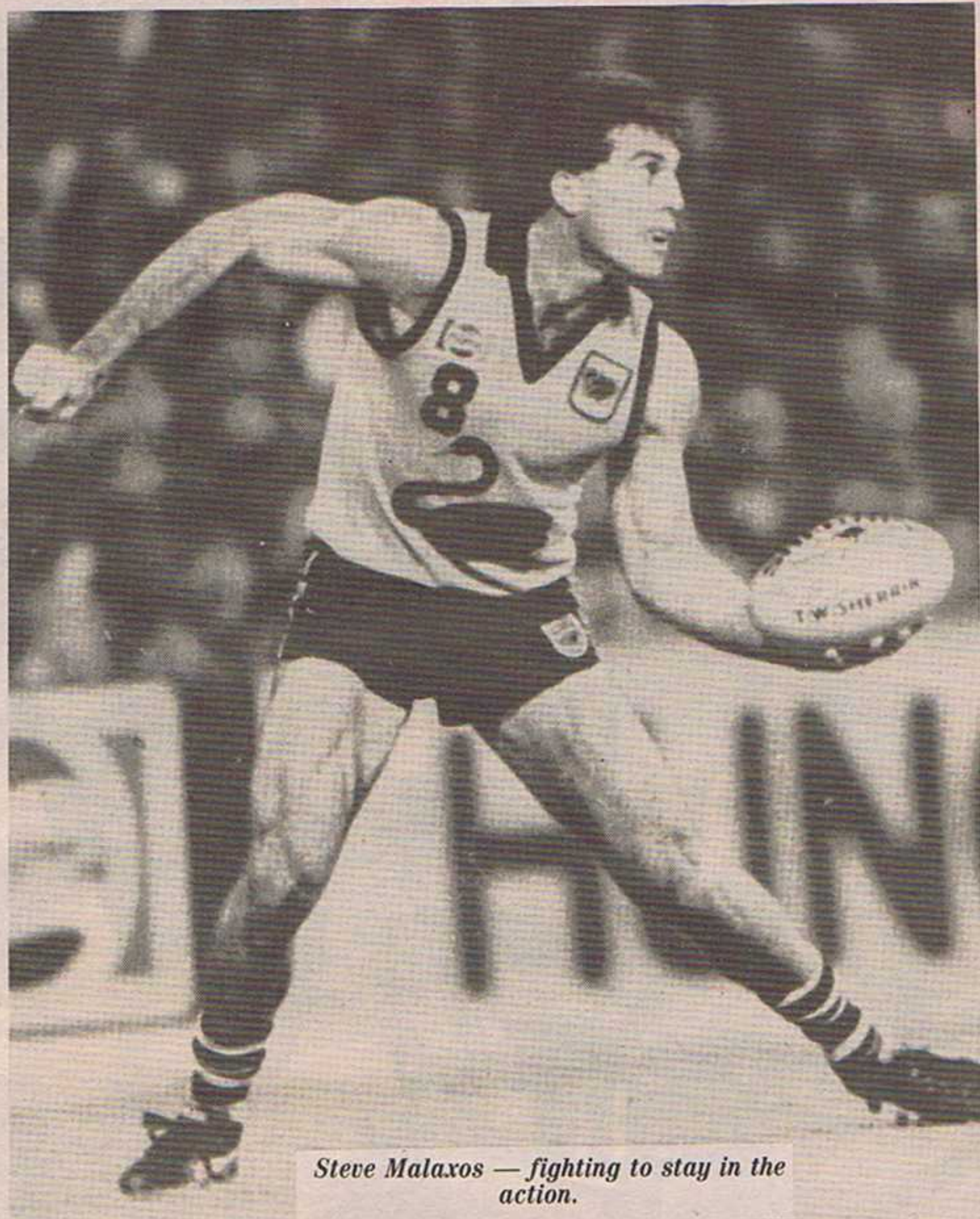
After an encouraging start against the exuberant Demons on Saturday, Malaxos was taken from the ground by Neesham mid-way through the second quarter.

The 1984 joint Sandover Medallist then resumed the second half on the bench.

After a brief mid-field role during the third term, Malaxos was again relieved of active duty just before three-quarter time.

The veteran follower was again a spectator for the opening of the final quarter.

Malaxos, assuming he holds his spot



Steve Malaxos — fighting to stay in the action.

for Saturday's match-of-the-round clash with South Fremantle on Saturday, will play his 150th game with the Tigers since starting as a forward-pocket specialist back in 1979.

Malaxos' immediate playing future remains in the hands of Neesham.

But his endeavours to impress Malthouse to hasten a recall to the big league, could be made even tougher this week when he clashes against a hungry Bulldogs unit following their big victory over Swan Districts.

Malaxos could also find himself up against former Tigers and Eagles teammate and long-standing close friend Annear, who was brilliant in his eclipse of Troy Ugle at Bassendean last week.

On top of his distinguished record at Claremont, including a Sandover Medal, club fairest-and-best victories in 1983 and '84 and all-Australian captaincy for the tour of Ireland in 1984, Malaxos played 66 senior games with the Eagles and nine at Hawthorn in 1985.

He also polled 11 Brownlow Medal votes last year, more than any other Eagle.

However, following a disappointing drawn qualifying effort against Collingwood, the experienced mid-fielder was dropped for the Eagles historic qualifying final replay, first semi-final win over Melbourne and preliminary final loss to Essendon.

Top day out for Tiger

DASHING Claremont full-forward John Hutton celebrated his best performance of his career with an eight-goal haul as the Tigers ran the Demons ragged last Saturday.

After one goal in the first term, four goals came in a second quarter burst and three in the fourth on a day when he outclassed Perth vice-captain Steve Cummings and Eagles recruit Shane Porter.

"All the guys have been kicking pretty well lately," Hutton said before praising the work of his team-mates.

"The half-forward line, half-back line and full-back line all played really well — they set it up for me."

Tight battle

PERTH forward Willie Dick and West Perth ruckman Craig Nelson are setting a hot pace in several media awards around town.

Dick is the early leader in the Magic Nissan-The West Australian player-of-the-year award with 27 votes, polling five votes last week to hold his spot.

He is one vote clear of Nelson, who has maintained his good form to edge in front of Dick in the Football Budget's Pepsi player-of-the-year award.

Nelson and Dick's team-mate, Joe Santostefano, moved two votes clear when they each polled top votes last week.



Former East Perth and Subiaco champion Jack Sweet was a proud man when football paid tribute to Australia's war heroes in a special Anzac Day ceremony in between last Thursday's double-header at the WACA Ground. In a successful return to Anzac Day football, more than 8500 spectators saw the two games.

Positive thinker

YOU wouldn't need to be a genius to work out that team morale in the Sharks changerooms last Thursday was probably at an all-time low. Apart from a minor final term revival, the Sharks again looked disorientated, but when director Oscar Howard was asked about his team finishing wooden spoons — for the first time in the WAFL competition — he simply replied: "Not this year, son" The spirit lives on in Sharks territory.

Milestone men

THREE players — Tony Papotto, Todd Breman and Rod Grljusich — all passed the 100-game milestone mark in the last round of the Pepsi Cup competition.

Perth's Papotto came off the interchange bench to play his 59th game for the Demons after 41 for East Perth,

while Breman reached his century for the Lions after debuting in 1983.

Grljusich reached the 100-game mark when played his 52nd game for South Fremantle, the club where he started his league career in 1982. He defected to Lathlain Park in 1986 and played 48 games for the Demons before returning to the Port this season.

Luckless Laidley

LUCKLESS Dean Laidley's troubles with injury continued when he received a knee in the middle of his back at the WACA ground last Thursday. Laidley was the step-ladder as East Fremantle's Robbie Webber flew high, almost taking a sensational mark from behind. Crashing to the ground and in obvious pain, Laidley gingerly limped from the playing arena for medical attention to a badly bruised back. The slightly built half-back's career has been marred with various injuries and the latest one comes after a year-long battle to beat a knee reconstruction.

Bold prediction

RADIO 6NR commentator and sports writer Kim Hagdorn boldly predicted the appointment of new Sharks coach Ken Judge during his call of the Falcons-Sharks match for the Anzac Day double-header at the WACA Ground. Hagdorn seemed to have good information from somewhere — perhaps it was right from the horse's mouth as Judge joined the 6NR crew as a half-time guest.

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Fleet-footed wingman Tera was in scintilla driving the team forward tently from midfield and speed to leave the C wake.



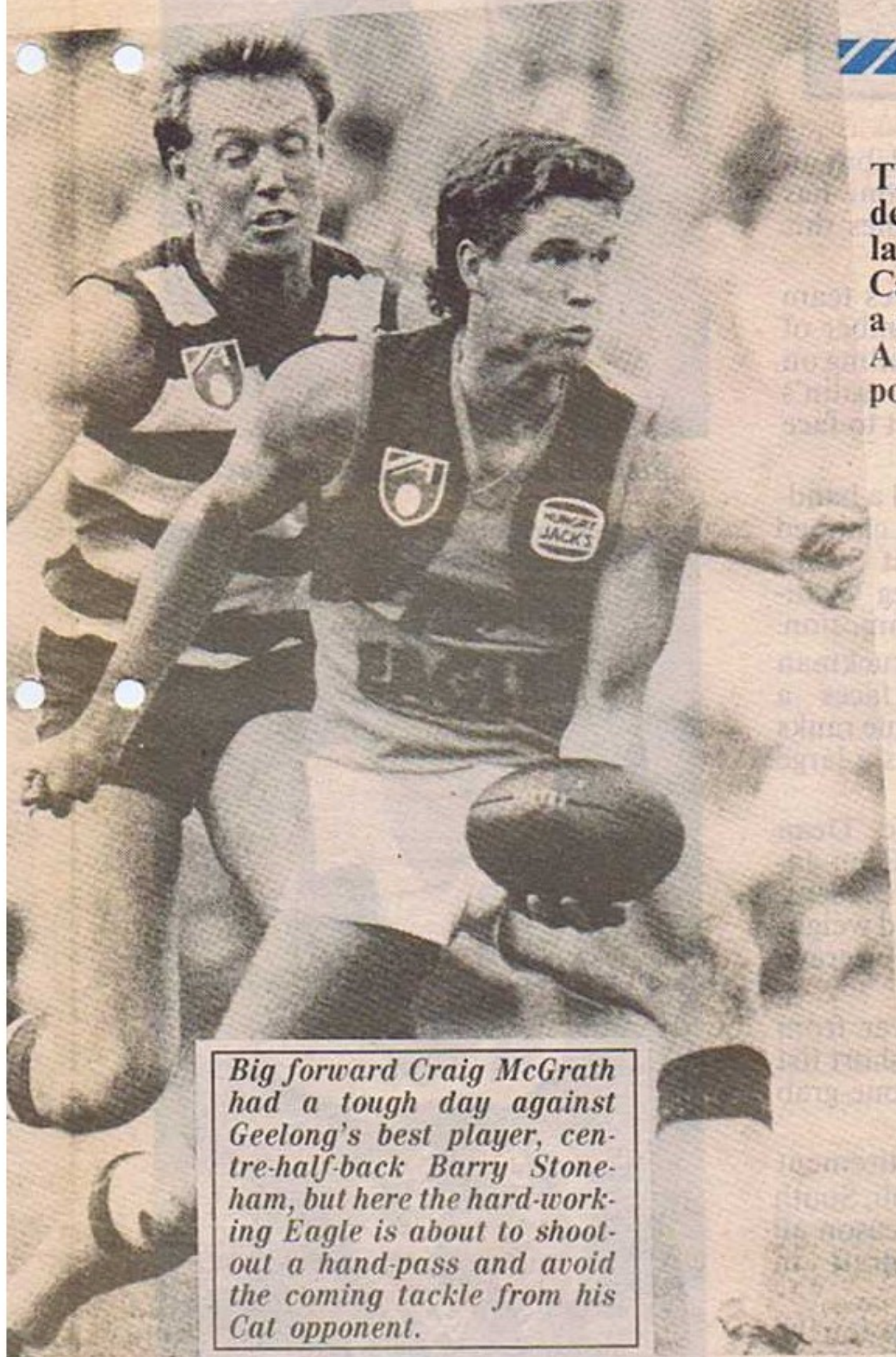
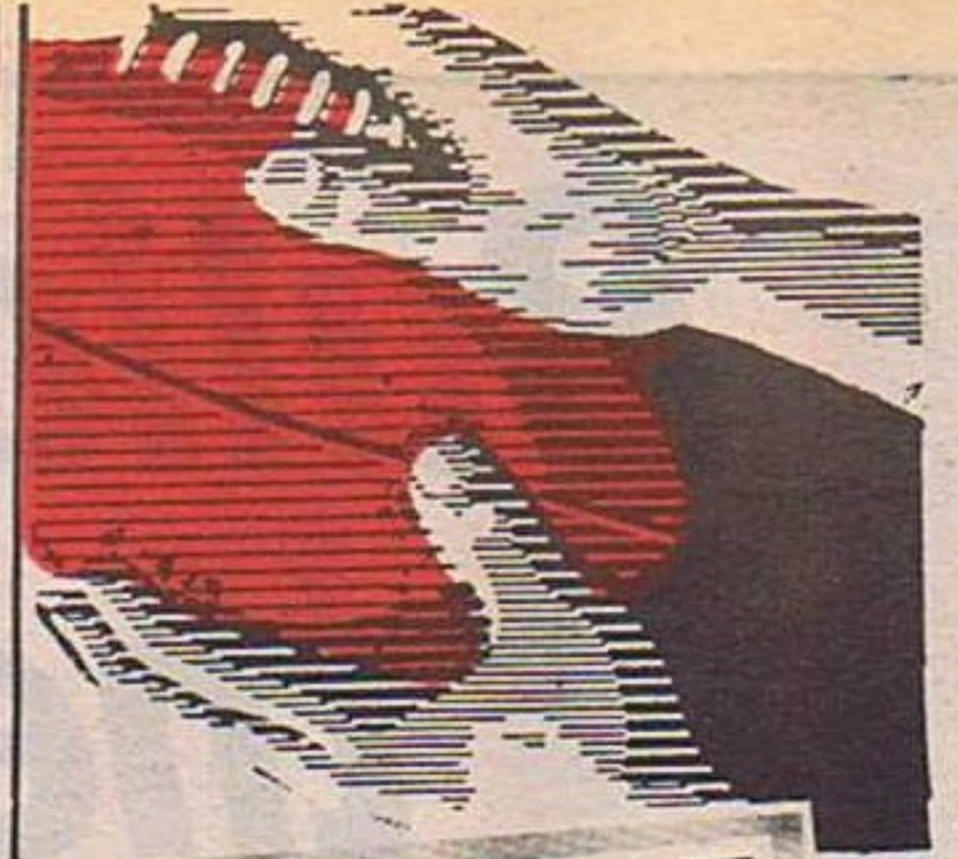
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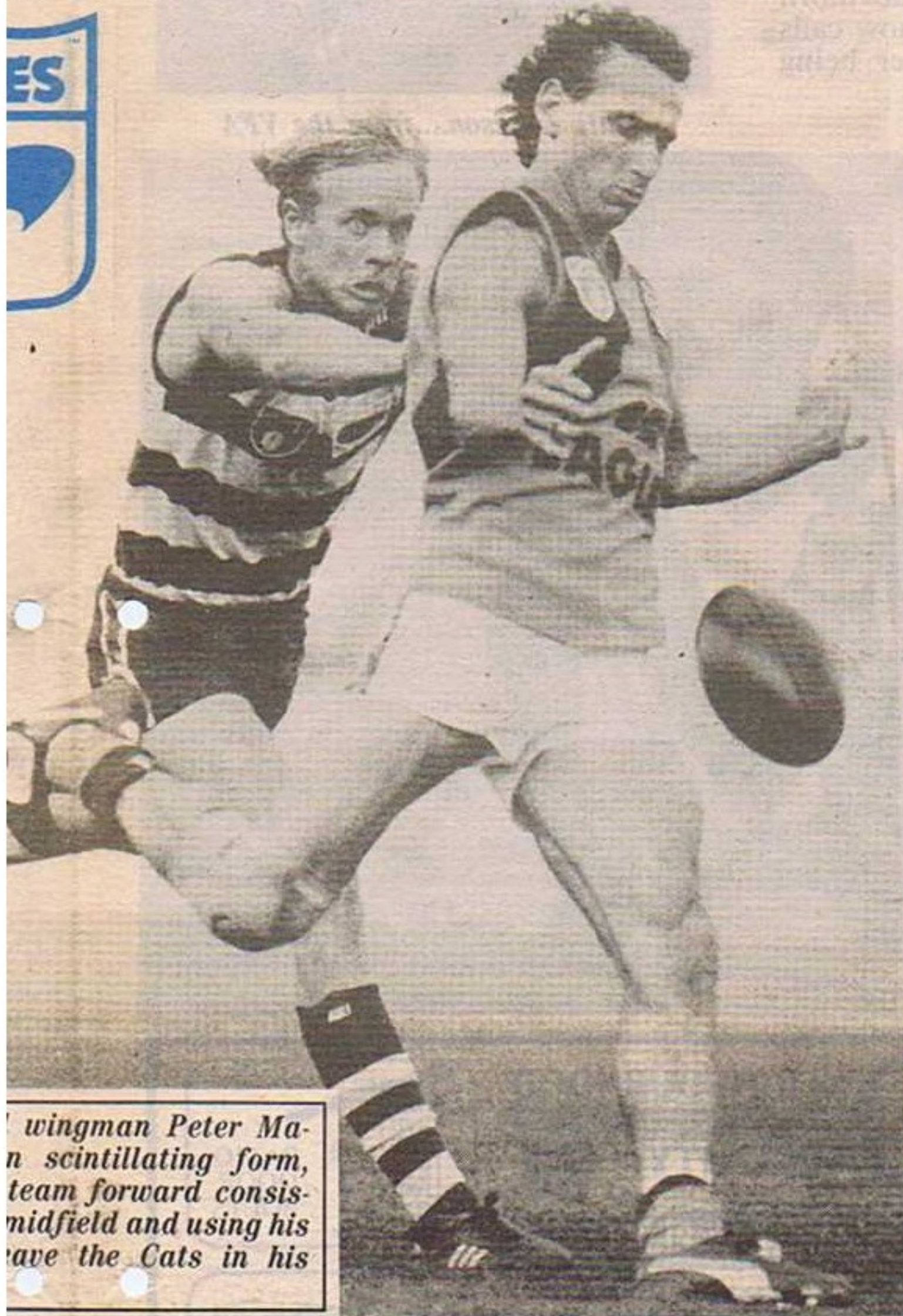


Big forward Craig McGrath had a tough day against Geelong's best player, centre-half-back Barry Stoneham, but here the hard-working Eagle is about to shoot-out a hand-pass and avoid the coming tackle from his Cat opponent.

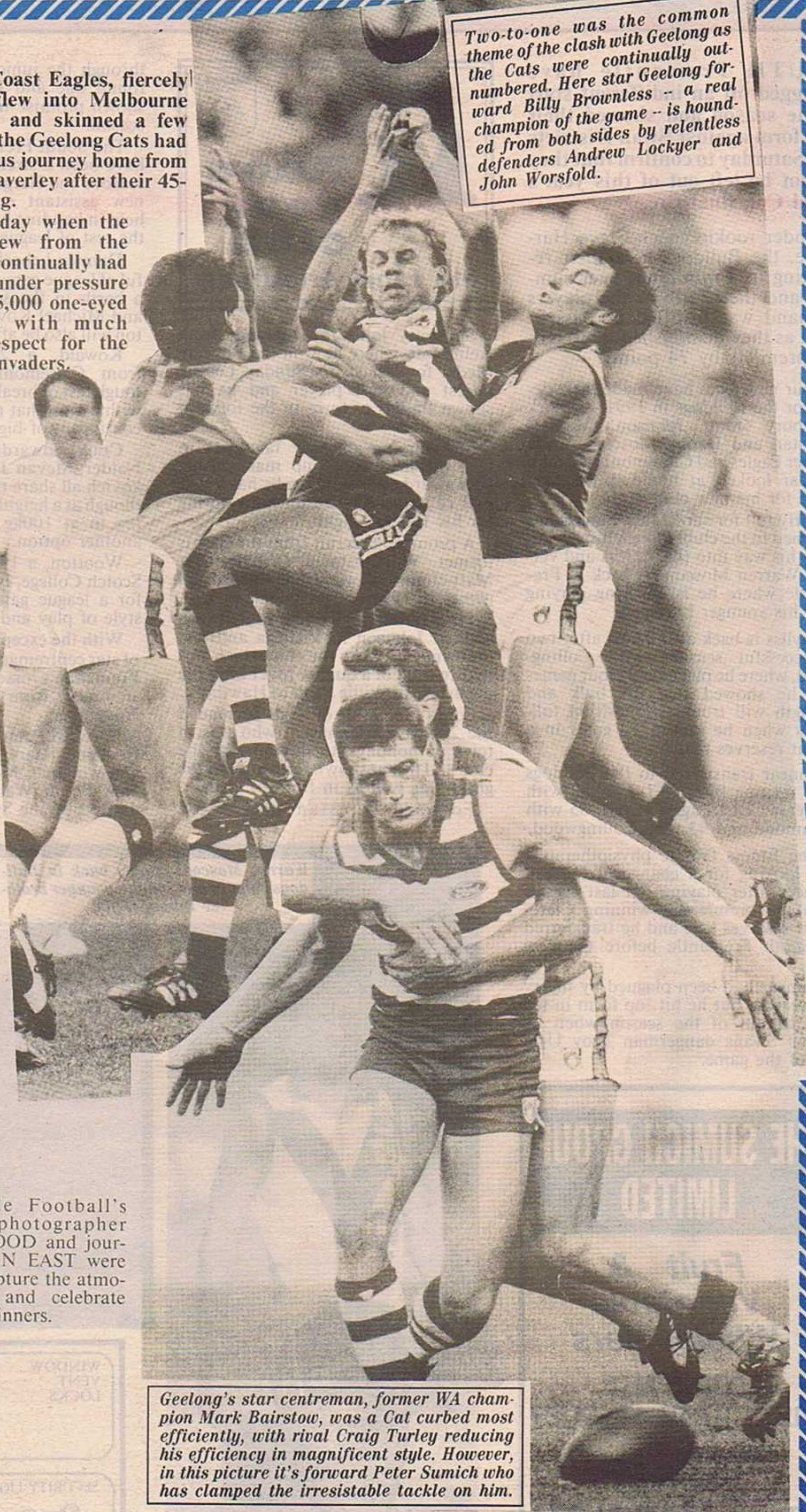
THE West Coast Eagles, fiercely determined, flew into Melbourne last weekend and skinned a few Cats. In fact, the Geelong Cats had a miserable bus journey home from AFL Park Waverley after their 45-point drubbing.

It was a day when the Eagles flew from the front and continually had the Cats under pressure and the 35,000 one-eyed fans left with much greater respect for the Western invaders.

Two-to-one was the common theme of the clash with Geelong as the Cats were continually outnumbered. Here star Geelong forward Billy Brownless -- a real champion of the game -- is hounded from both sides by relentless defenders Andrew Lockyer and John Worsfold.



Wingman Peter Mann in scintillating form, team forward consistently in the midfield and using his speed to give the Cats in his



Geelong's star centreman, former WA champion Mark Bairstow, was a Cat curbed most efficiently, with rival Craig Turley reducing his efficiency in magnificent style. However, in this picture it's forward Peter Sumich who has clamped the irresistible tackle on him.

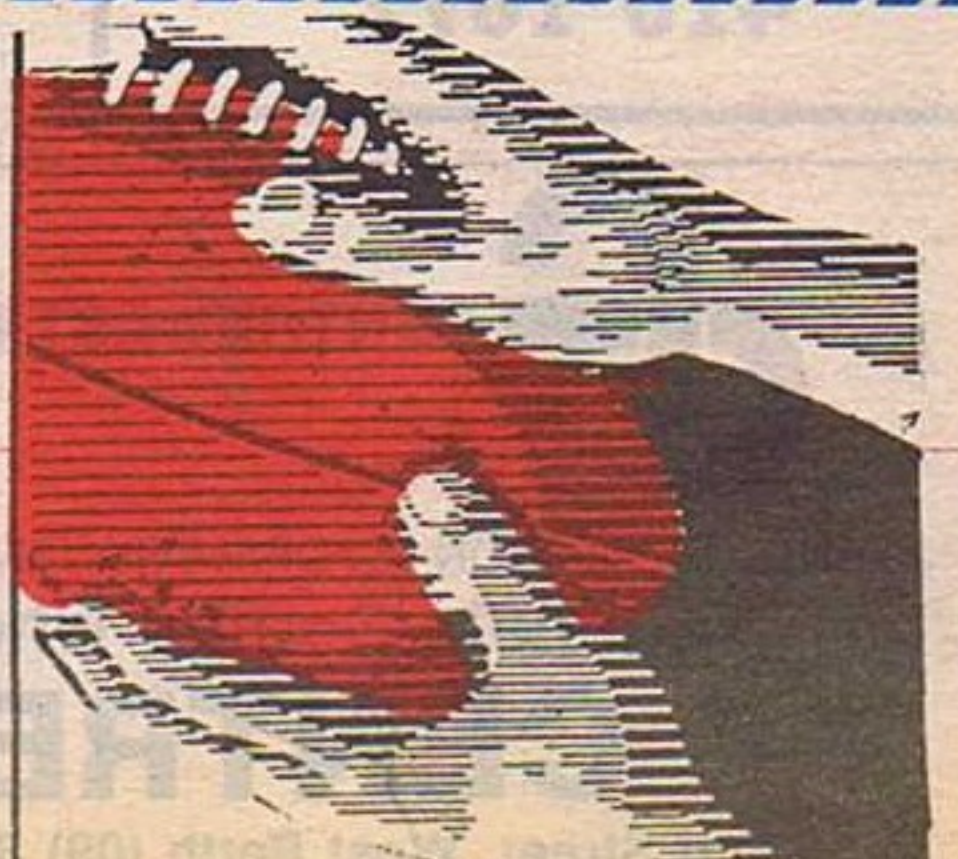
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BEFORE AND AFTER THE MATCH CELEBRATIONS FOR BOTH PLAYERS AND THE SUPPORTERS

C L U B

RUMOURS



Bulldogs boost their depth

SOUTH Fremantle have shrugged off an indifferent start to the season and showed their best form against Swan Districts last Saturday to confirm that they cannot be left out of this year's Pepsi Cup final five.

Under rookie coach Steve Hargrave, the Bulldogs kept their recruiting to a minimum over summer and their faith in the players on hand was justified at Bassen-dean as they demolished the reigning premiers by 74 points.

Four new faces have made their debut for the Bulldogs in 1991 — Mark Spilsbury, Matt Johnson, Michael Dunstan and Danny Mosconi, while former Eagles and Claremont star John Annear looked at home in his first game for his new club.

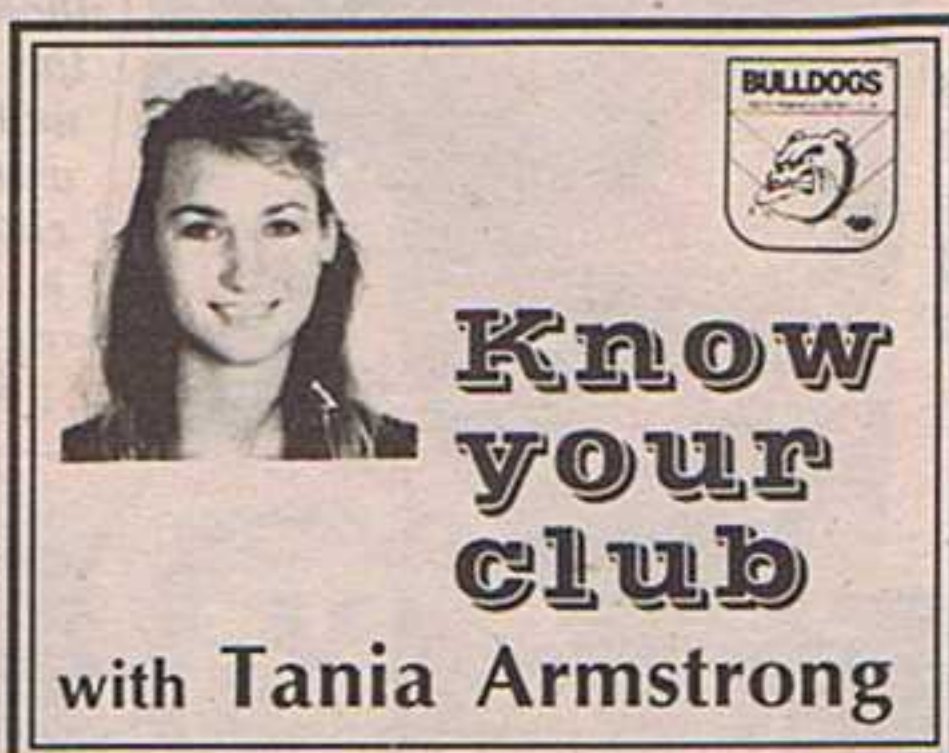
Burly full-forward Mark Bayliss has returned to the club, though he is yet to force his way into the seniors and veteran Warren Mosconi is back at Fremantle where he is enjoying playing with his younger brother.

Bayliss is back at the port after two unsuccessful seasons with Collingwood, where he played only four games and he showed that his bulk and strength will trouble opposition full-backs when he kicked 10 goals in a recent reserves match.

Annear transferred to the Bulldogs after retiring from AFL football with 58 West Coast Eagles games, 65 with Richmond and 43 with Collingwood.

The fitness fanatic physiotherapist was looking for a change of football scenery after playing out last season with the premiership-winning Claremont reserves side and he transferred to South Fremantle before the new year.

Annear had been plagued by injury pre-season, but he hit top form in his first hit-out of the season when he tagged Swans dangerman Troy Ugle out of the game.



Spilsbury joins the Bulldogs from Kelmscott, where he won the Bowden Medal for last year's Sunday League fairest and best player and he has shown flashes of form in the forward line.

Spilsbury is an early favourite to take off the Pepsi Cup mark-of-the-year award after showing he has a deft pair of hands and an uncanny spring for his 180cm height.

A promising recruit from the East is former Williamstown (VFA) rover Matt Johnson, who has played all games in 1991.

Former Bulldogs coach Mal Brown spotted Johnson in Victoria and recommended him to the club which was in dire need of a quality rover after the departure of Willie Rioli to Hawthorn.

South Fremantle officials persuaded the 22-year-old Johnson, who was in town on holidays, to stay on with the club and he has shown form around the ground as well as in front of goals.

Forward Dunstan progressed

through the junior ranks to debut in round one and Danny Mosconi has shown promise in his two games this season.

The South Fremantle reserves team have been a strength for a number of seasons and Hargrave will be calling on new assistant coach Robert Solin's help in handing him players set to face the test of league football.

Damien Lebeck, who played a handful of league games last season, claimed a berth in the seniors against Swans and Michael Kowold and Greg Wootton will also be after a swift promotion.

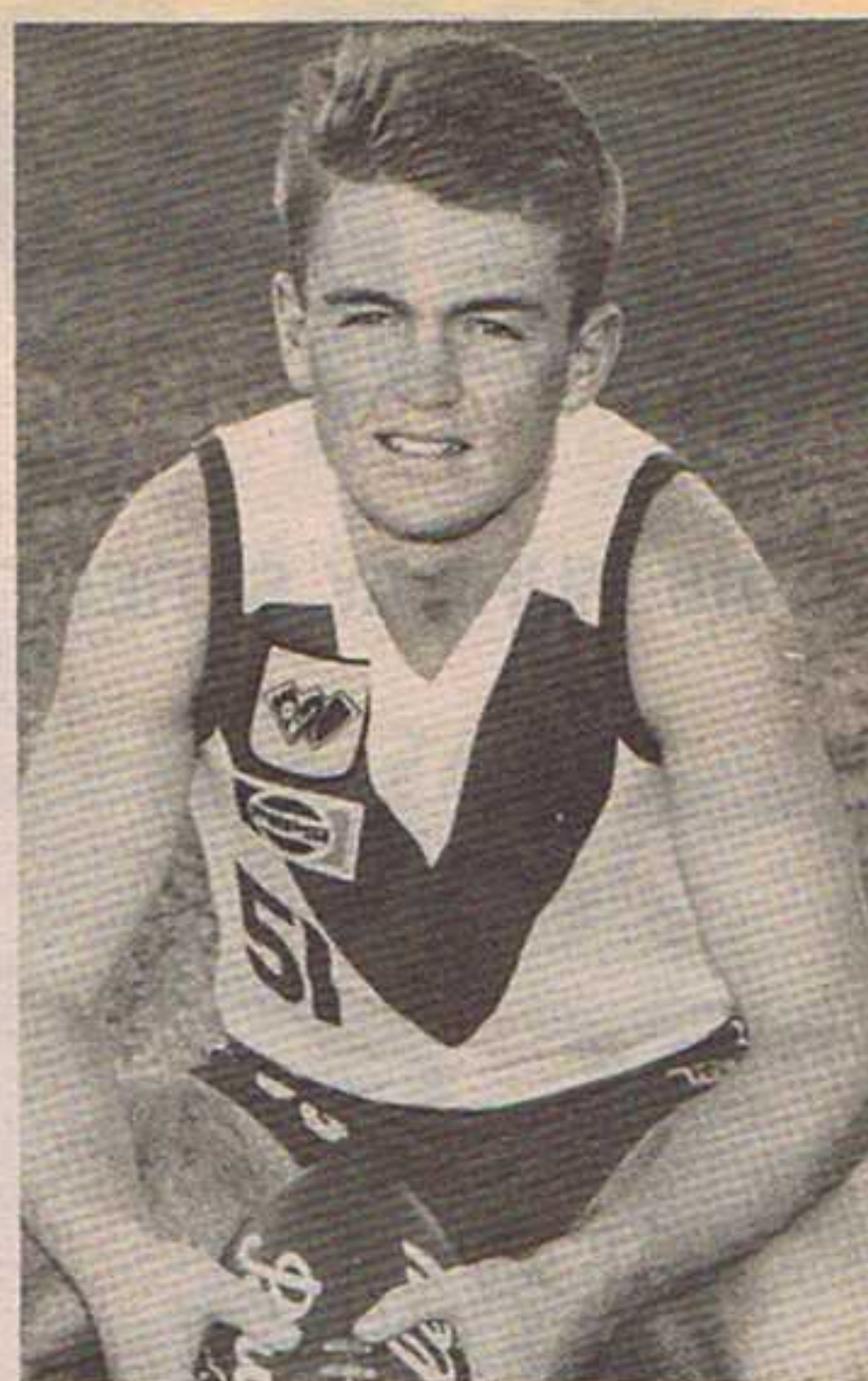
Kowold, a 24-year-old ruckman from Claremont territory, faces a tough test of breaking into league ranks with a club that already boasts a large contingent of big men.

Craig Edwards, Grant and Dean Nalder, Stevan Jackson and Glen Jakovich all share ruck duties at present, though at a height of 202cm and weighing in at 100kg, he offers Hargrave another option.

Wootton, a 19-year-old rover from Scotch College, is also on the short list for a league game with his one-grab style of play and good pace.

With the exception of the retirement of star centreman Maurice Rioli, South Fremantle's losses from last season all stemmed from the AFL draft in November.

Forward Peter Worsfold left for the Brisbane Bears, Rioli for Hawthorn and wingman Mark Collins now calls New South Wales home after being drafted by the Sydney Swans.

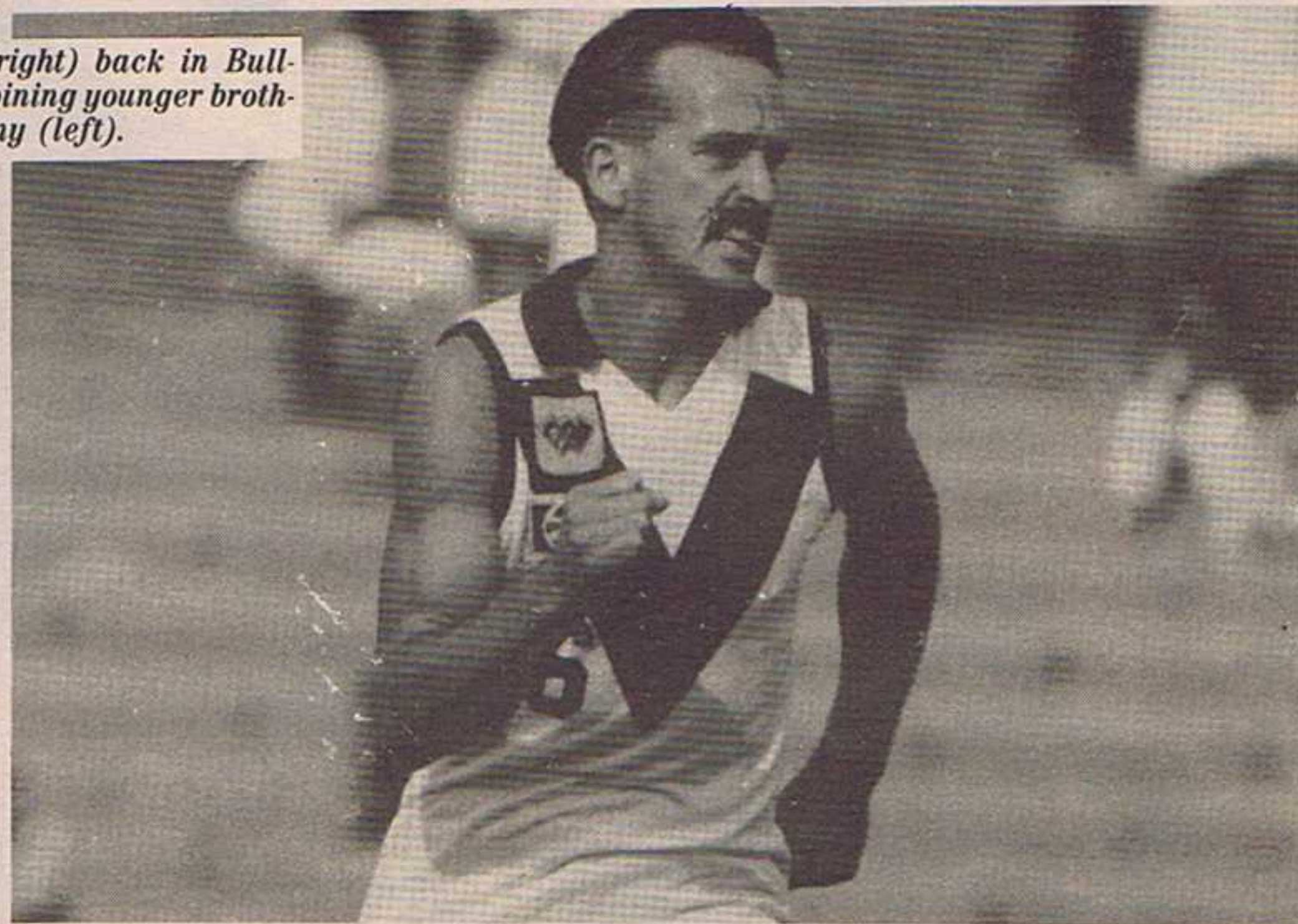


Michael Dunstan...junior product



Matt Johnson...from the VFA

Warren Mosconi (right) back in Bulldogs colours and joining younger brother Danny (left).



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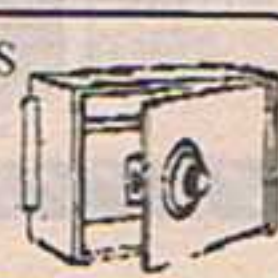
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Falcons rookies show early style

WEST Perth's start to the 1991 season hasn't exactly been a perfect one, but the form of a host of rookies is the most encouraging sign at Leederville Oval.

The Falcons form in the last two matches has given supporters some hope of a revival in coming rounds and their first victory of the season over cellar-dwellers East Fremantle at the WACA Ground was a welcome relief.

While coach George Michalczyk will be hoping that the win opens the floodgates, the one factor that has pleased him has been some sparkling performances from new players to the club.

Six footballers have made their league debuts for the Falcons in the four matches so far and the most heartening fact is that most of them have been among the team's best.

First-year players Todd Curley, Joe Proctor and Craig Rinder have done well in their debuts, as has Eagles squad member Robbie West, while Andrew Host and Brian Sutherland are both showing the benefit of their experience at other clubs.

BIG BONUS

The big bonus in regard to the club's playing stocks has been the return from interstate of Craig Nelson and Bill Duckworth.

Nelson, fresh from a 23-game season with West Torrens in South Australia, has picked up where he left off at the end of 1989 by dominating the ruck in West Perth's early games. He was an integral part of the club's strong 1989 season and was sadly missed last year.

Duckworth, in the twilight of his football career after nine seasons and 126 games with Essendon, has been plagued by injury since returning to the West and watched most of the practice matches from the sidelines.

He regained fitness to take the field in the round two only to leave Leederville Oval with a hamstring strain five minutes into the match against East Perth.

Promising wingman Curley (18) starred for the Falcons in their win over the Sharks after coming off the interchange bench in the second game of the year.

STAR JUNIOR

Curley has been a star in West Australian junior football, having travelled to Brisbane with the Teal Cup side in 1990 and he followed that up with a trip to Melbourne later in the year for the inaugural Quit Cup interstate clash with his school side, Warwick High.

Curley and Rinder, both members of the Falcons under-19s premiership winning team last season, were also Teal Cup team-mates and Rinder has played the bulk of his football at full-back.

Rinder, originally from Collie, debuted in defence in round four, though Brad Gwilliam appears to have a mortgage on the full-back position at present.



Craig Rinder...coming from Collie

Another shining light for Michalczyk was the form of former State representative Sutherland, who opened up this year impressively till he received a week's suspension after a clash with East Perth's George Giannakis.

The former Tiger has been a damaging player around the ground and his return to the league side will gladden the hearts of Falcons supporters.

Sutherland joined the Falcons last season when he found it tough to gain a regular league berth with Claremont, where he had debuted in 1987 and played 38 games. A knee injury prevented him from donning his new club's colours in the seniors last season, though he did take the field in the reserves.

Proctor joined the club pre-season from Amateur club Mt Lawley and he has shown he will be a handy player across the half-forward line or as a rover.

A talented 21-year-old, he had an immediate impact when he debuted in round two and showed he is an opportunist who has the ability to read the play well.

It is his second attempt to graduate to league ranks at West Perth, with a series of injuries frustrating his pre-season attempts last year.

Proctor makes an ideal partner for the club's No.1 rover West, who was claimed by the Falcons when they had first choice of the West Coast Eagles

draft choice when the WAFL player-allocation was held pre-season.

West has been a consistent performer since the season-opener and he is always a danger-man in front of goals.

West came to WA from Wodonga in country Victoria and he has since been joined by one of his team-mates from the East, utility player Vincent Glass, who played with the Falcons for the first time last Saturday when he lined up in the reserves.

Also new to the camp is Andrew Host, a member of Harvey-Brunswick's South West premiership team of 1990.

TEACHING POST

Defender Host played his junior football with Claremont before a two-game debut year with the Tigers in 1987, followed by five games with East Perth in 1988. A teaching transfer to the South-West saw Host play two seasons with Harvey-Brunswick before he arrived at Leederville.

Sunday League recruits at West Perth are Kenwick's Peter McDonald, a full-forward and Kelmscott's Oscar Moreno, who is out with injury after playing the opening games in the seconds.

Country footballers travelling to the city to try their luck include Darren Onley and Gavin O'Brien, who both followed assistant coach John Duckworth to Leederville from the unzoned Dampier.

Half-forward George Boulazeris ventured to town from Koorda, though a serious knee injury sustained pre-season looks like putting an end to his hopes of a league debut this season.



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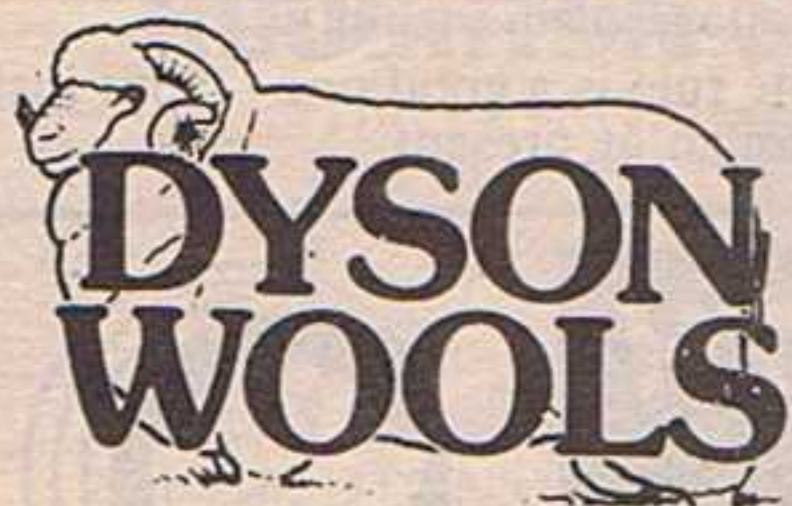
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Durnin, Sherry in goal spree

REIGNING premiers Boddington (27.21) annihilated a disappointing Railways (7.6) in a Upper Great Southern Football League match last Sunday

In an exciting encounter Lake Grace (17.10) ran out two-point victors over West Arthur (16.14) with the result being in doubt right up to the final siren.

Craig Reynolds and Noel Bairstow led the way for the victors assisted by new captain-coach Greg Pinney (four goals) and Adam Farrell (three goals).

After leading for most of the day Wagin (17.16) were over-run in the last term by Pingelly (20.14).

In a game which many people described as the best witnessed for a number of seasons Kukerin-Dumbleyung (16.10) eventually overcame Williams (13.12) to run out winners by 16 points.

In a one-sided affair Wickopin (25.12) with outstanding players Terry Norrish (eight goals) and Gavin Keruish (four goals) proved too strong for Towns (14.16).

Colts round-up with GAVIN EBBS

FOR the second consecutive week, East Fremantle have had to endure the sounds of the opposition club's anthem in the Pepsi colts competition.

The young Sharks went down to the reigning premiers West Perth, 12.10 (82) to 8.13 (61).

The Falcons opened strongly, kicking 5.4 to the Sharks three points, while the Sharks found their range to outscore their rivals in the second and third quarters.

At three-quarter-time, West Perth coach Adrian Scott emphasised to his players that they prided themselves on being a good side and to succeed they had to run hard at all times.

His players responded by attacking the goals at every opportunity and they were rewarded for their efforts.

A number of East Fremantle's rovers spent the last term in defence, so when the ball did venture into their forward-line, no runners were on-hand to help the forwards.

The Sharks paid dearly for being indirect from the centre-square, as they continued to play catch-up football against a determined opposition, who would not let them within two goals.

Fleet-footed Falcon Warren Gilla put in a best-on-ground performance with team-mates Scott Mountford, Adam Armstrong and Stuart Donnelly, who made a habit of taking spectacular marks when the ball came his way.

For the Sharks, the ever-reliable Jon Stag led by example, defender Jason Sweetman worked hard, while Nick Litis, Daniel Collins and Heath Nixon also played well.

DETERMINED

At Bassendean Oval, Swan Districts held off a determined South Fremantle, desperate for their first victory of the season, winning 11.13 (79) to 11.7 (73).

John Laurito (four goals), Brett Netherway, Christian Kelly and Mark Whitaker were valuable for the Swans, while Russell Carradus, Tom Bottrell,

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Superules teams head for Bunbury

SUPERULES teams make the journey to Bunbury this Sunday for the second round of fixtures at Bunbury's home ground, Payne Park.

There will be four games, starting at 10am when host club Bunbury play Mandurah.

Other games are: 11am Eastern Hills vs Northern Warriors; Noon Vic Park v Fremantle; 1pm Southern Saints v Wembley.

Superules was first introduced in Bunbury in 1983 with Telethon games, which featured many of the WAFL stars from the past.

From these promotional games, the

Bunbury Superules side was formed under the guidance of South West stars Eddie Woloszek, Allan French and Neil Lloyd.

In their first year in 1984, Bunbury impressed with their enthusiasm and talent and were voted "Team of the Year" Coach and former Swan Districts player Eddie Woloszek was named as "Man of the Year".

The next year saw them emerge as a strong team.

With recruits like Sandover Medallist David Hollins, former WAFL players John Martinson, Laurie Bennett and Don Rintoul they were able to compete with the powerful Victoria Park and Northern District teams from the metropolitan area.

CARNIVAL

At the end of the season, their coach Eddie Woloszek was appointed assistant coach of the WA Superules team for the Hobart carnival and with Alan French, became the first Bunbury players to be selected in an All-Australian Superules team.

Donnybrook's Keith Bedford became their third All-Australian player after 1986 carnival in Perth.

Current coach, former Fitzroy and East Perth player Laurie Bennett, is the latest of the Bunbury players to be appointed to a Superules coaching position.

Bennett was in charge in 1989, but unfortunately because of the airline strike, the WA side was unable to take part in the Canberra carnival.

However, he was re-appointed captain-coach for the 1990 carnival in

Falcons tame the Sharks

Anthony McShane, Clinton Mitchell and Robin Howatson played solidly for the Bulldogs.

Subiaco proved too strong for East Perth by 46 points, 13.9 (87) to 6.5 (41).

The clash at Subiaco Oval saw big contributions from Darren Vonberghem, Leigh Dunn, Scott Sarre and the consistent Chris Batka (Subiaco), and Michael Evans, Chilton Yarran, Marco Tassone and Stephen Forbes (East Perth).

At Claremont Oval, Claremont accounted for Perth by 11 points, 10.8 (68) to 8.9 (57).

The Demons are desperate for their first win and judging by their performances over the past weeks, it is only a matter of time before they earn four premiership points.

On Saturday their best performers were Matthew Drake-Brockman, Neil Munro, Austin Kelly and Jared Lofts (four goals), while match-winners for the Tigers were Paul Leuba, Troy Kilburn and Michael Rogers (four goals).

East Fremantle player Michael Fic, who broke his leg two weeks ago, is considering giving up football after being told he will not play for two years.

Rovers hold on

CENTRAL Midlands side Rovers overcame the loss of star full-forward Paul Dann to hold off a courageous Dandaragan at Moora last Sunday, winning by 13-points.

Both sides had their ascendancy, with the Saints almost causing a major boilover in the final quarter.

Facing a 36-point deficit at the last change, the Saints out-ran the tiring Demons, but couldn't bridge the gap, losing 14.12 (96) to 12.11 (83).

Rovers lost Dann just before half-time, but Dandaragan coach Ian McPartland compensated when he moved saw Dann's brother Robby from the centre to full-back, to repel many attacks.

Best for Rovers were Brown, Haywood and Senior and for Dandaragan, Manning, Sweeney and Netherway.

In the second match played at Dalwallinu, the Dally Bulldogs exerted their authority to easily beat Moora Warriors.

The Lions led at the first change, but the Bulldogs gradually increased their lead throughout the match to run away comfortable winners, 17.21 (123) to 8.5 (53).

Melbourne, where WA finished second.

Because of their location, Bunbury have proved to be a vital part of Superules expansion throughout the South West.

BUSSELTON

Busselton journeyed to Narrogin last Saturday to play the locals in their second game of Superules.

Under excellent conditions a good standard of football was played with the fitness of the Busselton players a telling factor.

Best players for the winners were John Duthie, Alan Dornan, Ken Hart and Jeff Mitchell, while Narrogin were well served by Kevin Timms, Peter Stephen and Ross Marshall.

Narrogin travel to Katanning this weekend, while Busselton's next game will be at home to Collie on May 11.

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Hovering rule needs fine tuning

THE new emphasis being placed by AFL umpires on penalising players in possession of the football when they are on the ground is creating plenty of comment — some of it extremely adverse.

The ultimate object of the exercise is to eliminate the practice of players diving on the ball and bottling up play; creating a pack and forcing the umpire to bounce the ball.

It would seem pretty certain that the number of ball-ups have been drastically reduced since the inception of this new rule.

But as with the implementation of most new rules, there has been some over-reaction in interpretation by the umpires.

In the early rounds — and in the night Foster's Cup series — umpires have been quick to penalise players who really have been the play-makers.

It must come as a shock to the system for a player to risk life and limb by diving on the ball amidst thrusting boots and swivelling knees, with the object of gaining possession and then feeding it out, only to be penalised.

ADVANTAGE

Under these circumstances, the advantage is surely transferred to the player who runs second in the contest and, having done so, grabs his prostrate opponent's guernsey to earn an easy free kick.

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but allow the player in possession just a fraction longer to achieve the object of getting the ball out — or being genuinely caught with it under them.

If the umpires continue to routinely penalise the player with the guts to contest the ball on the ground, then they will create the possibility of contestants lashing out and trying to kick the ball indiscriminately off the ground much more than is presently the case.

On the other hand, the interpretation will probably encourage players to further refine the skill of kicking the ball off the ground BEFORE the situation degenerates into one of a pack developing.

DEMOCRATIC

To make the present law more democratic, there is a need for umpires to recognise the occasion when the ball is genuinely trapped under a player. If he has been swamped or is being manhandled with the ball trapped under him, there should be a bounce-up.

Under those conditions, there is just no way the play-maker can rid himself of the ball in any way — let alone to the advantage of his team.

The rule is a good one — but just a bit tough at present

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B-GRADE

COLLEGIANS Old Scotch downed Dianella-Morley by 78 points to keep their unbeaten record.

Better players for Collegians Old Scotch were State squad members Stirling Thomson, Lee Sounness and Brenden Guard. Brett Wilmott led a disciplined defence, supported by Daryl Stuart, Sean Tilbrook and Floyd Robinson, while Chris Sounness led the rampaging Lions forward line that kicked 23 goals.

C-GRADE

ROCKINGHAM made the long trip up the coast to Des Penman Reserve and went home 10-goal winners over Nollamara No.2.

After an even start, Rockingham opened the second quarter with eight goals to Nollamara's one, putting the game out of the Cougars reach.

Adam Hatch gave the Cougars drive from the centre, while Chris Hathaway and Peter Ashworth, playing his first game in C-grade, did well.

Wembley had no problems overcoming Edith Cowan University at Churchlands Oval.

In a low-standard game, the Magpies were quick to start and good ball-handling skills indicate they will play off in the finals.

Centre-half-back Paul Fisher was best-afield, followed by Wayne March

(four goals) and Grant Williams (five goals). Kevin Symons also chipped in with four goals.

Aquinas had a morale-boosting win over Coolbinia Yokine, who fought back hard in the last half.

Paul and Tim Ness played well for the Boomers and Brendon Foster, who started on the bench, was impressive as a ruck-rover.

IN A lacklustre effort, Rockingham comfortably downed Nollamara 19.10 to 9.11.

After an even first term, the Rams pulled away, thanks to ruckman Greg Scott and defender Kevin Greenwood. Ruck-rover Jeff Phelps and half-back Alan Morley played their usual reliable game.

D-GRADE

NORTH Beach No.2 failed to match a more disciplined and workmanlike Bullcreek team.

Norths lacked desire and team discipline in their lacklustre performance that had coach Ray Barrett disappointed after the previous top effort. Best for Norths were Peter Lynch, John Perin, Danny Sweet and David Coates.

E-GRADE

UNBEATEN sides Wanneroo and St Norbert fought out the match of the day at the Wanneroo Showgrounds.

St Norbert were a little unlucky to

lose as a 50-metre goal in the dying seconds of the game put the result beyond doubt.

Michael Pance, whose consistent form in the colts earned him a senior berth, proved his worth with a magnificent display in defence. Ian Russell gave the Roo's plenty of drive from the centre, while Charlie Holmes kicked seven goals from full-forward.

Wanneroo cannot afford to get complacent as they come up against West Coast next week in another top of the table clash.

G-GRADE

WEMBLEY No.3 showed the depth in their club when they ran out 101-point winners over Osborne Districts No. 2.

Though the Magpies faced only token opposition at times, their overall performance showed that they should play off in the finals.

Ruckman Lynch dominated, while Mick Dennis was an impressive winner on his wing, Chris Phatourous and Trevor Greenham both finished the game with seven goals each.

A DEPLETED Swan View rose to the occasion to down a more fancied Bayswater No.2.

With the promotion of reserve grade players into the Swans top team, they managed to click together to register an 18-point win. With several long term injuries the club will need their promoted players to show consistent form.

H-GRADE

OCEAN Ridge had a 58-point win over RAAF at Heathridge Park.

The margin was not a true reflection on the game. With the standard of play being well above that of H grade. These two teams "toughed it out" to the final siren.

The Eagles Paul Darnwell managed to make it to his first game of the season, albeit in a wheelchair and his inspiration spurred his team-mates on to greater heights.

No-one played better than his brother Gary, along with Steve Reynolds, Greg Moore and Mark Heffernan.

A rampant Trinity Aquinas downed Carlisle by 30 goals in what coach Mark Hackett described as a real team effort.

Richie Mackiewicz was a solid performer, well-supported by Pat O'Reilly and Mark Nicholls.

I-GRADE

ROCKINGHAM completely blitzed a hapless Bayswater in what was expected to be a closer game. The Rams 170-point win was based on their run-on style, with key forwards Brian Walker, Paul Gravett and Ross Harris (seven majors) in form.

Others to please coach Barry Hastie were skipper Alan Godfrey, Jackson, Hagan and Griffen.

WARNBRO felt the full brunt of North Beach No. 3 team, who opened with eight goals to set the seal for a runaway 12-goal win. Veterans Brett Perry (six goals) and Steve Cuzens (four) were busy up front, supported by Bill Fulcher, Wayne Broere and David Craig.

K-GRADE

INACCURACY in front of goals cost Wanneroo dearly.

The Roo's had an even amount of the play and were not without their chances of winning, but poor play up forward cost them goals.

Better players for Wanneroo included Shaun King in his first game for the club and Graham Allum on a half-back flank.

Ocean Ridge overcame a determined West Coast by 11 points.

Pressure applied by the Eagles in their backline caused West Coast to miss many goal scoring opportunities.

The sides were first and second on the ladder respectively and this showed in the evenness between the shots at goal. Apart from the times when play was "bogged down" this was a high standard of football.

Best players for Ocean Ridge were Murray Wilhelm, Shan Goggin, Tony Dalton and Gary Crowe.

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L-GRADE

WEMBLEY were too strong for Dianella-Morley when they ran out 38-point winners.

The Roo's had many winners around the ground and managed 16 more scoring shots than Dianella. Many Wembley players are new to the club this season, but they moulded well in a hard-fought game.

Centre-half-back Brett Sinclair was a winner all day, repelling many attacks and ably supported by Mark Bevalaqua in the centre. Ken Welsh kicked four goals from a half-forward flank, while Bernard Parsons finished with three majors.

ROCKINGHAM CLUB NEWS

Members are invited to attend the after match function in the clubrooms this Saturday featuring music and entertainment by the Kokomo Trio (cover charge \$3).



Terry Sayers made a welcome return to North Fremantle G-grade kicking five goals from centre-half-forward

Women's games this Sunday

THE 1991 women's football season kicks off this Sunday when matches will be played at Melville Reserve, starting at noon.

The WA Women's Football League is in its fourth year and has attracted support of organisations like the Women's Sport Foundation of WA, enabling to do some much-needed promotion.

The league has reverted back to the 15-player a side format after experimenting with 18 players last season.

It was felt that the 15-player teams were more suitable to the women's style of play, eliminating the use of rucks and rovers, with these jobs covered by the centre and wing positions.

President Joanne Huggins explained: "Many women now playing are new to the game, so the need for skill development is ever-present. A more open style of game reduces congestion around the ball and gives players more opportunities to use different skills."

This year there are teams in Carlisle, Curtin (University), Melville and the Northern Suburbs. Players are still needed and the Northern Suburbs team are also looking for a coach.

If you are interested in Women's football please contact Joanne Huggins on 341 1311 or Ges Feeham on 242 1376 for more information.

COLTS ROUND-UP

A-COLTS

TRINITY Aquinas had a solid 50-point win over Nollamara at Des Penman Oval.

Their best was Peter Johnson, ably supported by ruckman Greg Cahill.

The Langer brothers, Beau and Cardin and Adam Newman made a triumphant return to A-colts after starting the season in C-colts.

Aquinas did not have it all their own way. They held a handy lead at the long break, but managed only a few goals in the second half.

Nollamara's coach Brian Morris said though his team were beaten by 10 goals the players did not disgrace themselves. He said Nollamara started the game short of players and it was this factor which led to their shortfall at half-time.

In the third quarter they had 11 scoring shots to three, but inaccurate kicking cost them dearly.

Best players for the Roo's were Troy Wilson, Brad Elborough and Leigh Evans.

Mt Lawley continued their winning form with a 16-point win over Wembley.

With the scores close at half-time either side could have taken the points. Mt Lawley jumped the Magpies early in the third quarter, opening up a comfortable lead and were not headed.

Shane Perper-John in the centre was Wembley's best, while ruckman Robert George and half-back Dirk Tolcon played well. Major goal scorers for the Magpies were Brett Althorpe and Richard Thornton with three each.

NORTH Beach continued their good form with a record breaking 192-point win over a dispirited Scarborough combination.

Averaging eight goals a quarter, they had little opposition to remain undefeated. Ten players chipped in with goals led by consistent Greg Dixon (11), Jon Malcolm (6) and Brendan Sandercott (4). Other prominent players included Shane Parker, Shane Burns and Travis Cruden.

B-COLTS

COLLEGIANS Old Scotch confirmed their supporters hopes of four premierships in a row when they beat Dianella-Morley by 64 points, 18.11 (119) to 8.7 (55).

Best players for Collegians were Ryan Shepherd, centreman Nath Ledger, Mike Sproule, Geoff Newman, with five goals and Matty Edwards (three goals and numerous handballs) also helped set up the big win against spirited opposition.

C-COLTS

LYNWOOD Ferndale were too strong for Trinity Aquinas, who kept in touch till half-time, but ran out of steam in the last half.

Best players for Trinity Aquinas were Matt Ryan, Derek Williamson and Yaan De Ravel.

Ocean Ridge found the going tough when they came up against Whitfords.

The Eagles have been struggling for numbers this season and this was brought out when they could only manage two goals.

Whitfords are a strong combination and can look forward to many more wins this season.

Better players for Ocean Ridge included Simon Barnet, Justin Bucford and Anthony Richardson.

ROCKINGHAM managed to shake off Hamersley-Carline in the second term after an even opening. The "Rams" lifted their rating late in the game, with caretaker coach Troy Stewart using strong words to his charges. Aaron Furlow, Greg Ingram and G. Graham were best for the winners.

SWAN View's younger brigade could not match their more polished opponents Mt Lawley No.2 as they went down by nine goals. With a majority of first year players the Swan View team will be using the 1991 season to build upon.

D-COLTS

APPLECROSS stole a game from North Beach No. 2.

Norths led by more than three goals at three-quarter time, but stopped in their tracks to be over-run by a more desperate Applecross.

The young North Beach reserve colts combination should have won, but for lapses of concentration in the vital last minutes. Jamie Dutton, Paul Neale, Warren Davies, Jamie Straw and Glen Hinkley (four goals), shone out for North Beach.

AMATEUR NEWS

A roundup of news from the West Australian Amateur Football League

Collegians show their power

COLLEGIANS Old Scotch indicated that they are again going to be early-season trendsetters with an emphatic 14-goal victory over Dianella-Morley.

Best for the Lions were Tillbrock and Thompson.

The Panthers, after promising so much pre-season due to their new amalgamation, are struggling and this must give coach Graeme Fitzgerald something to think about.

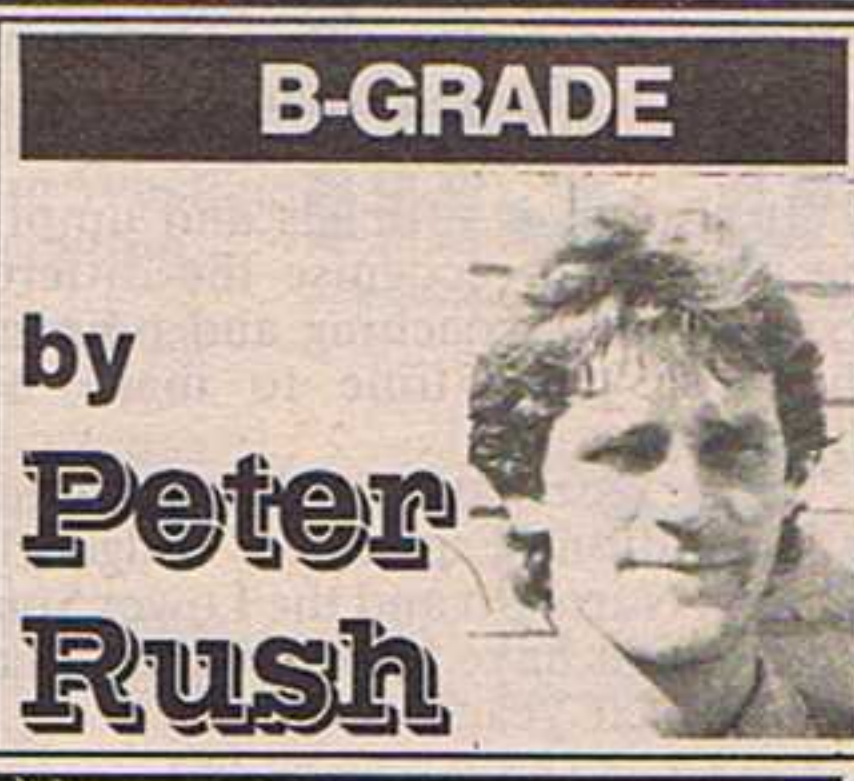
CBC gave Bayswater a football lesson with a solid 13-goal victory.

CBC set up the victory through steady defensive work, with experienced campaigner Paul Piggott leading the way at centre-half-back, showing why he is one of the competition's leading backmen.

Bayswater only had 1.3 on the board at three-quarter time and new coach Mark Stephenson will have plenty to worry about as the Blues face some hard games.

Innaloo had a good win over Maylands.

Best for the Rams were Chris Jeakings, Paul Carlsen, Glen Yates and big man Brendan Julian, who weighed in



with six goals and must have attracted the eyes of the State selectors.

Swan Athletic accounted for University and Osborne Districts easily defeated Bassendean.

In this week's encounters, Swan Athletic should give Steve Bombardieres (Osborne Districts) a guide as to how far they have progressed this year.

Collegians Old Scotch should be too powerful for Bayswater; CBC will be too good for Dianella-Morley; Innaloo will struggle against University, while Maylands will beat Bassendean.

AMATEUR PREMIERSHIP TABLES

	P	W	L	F	A	%	PTS
A GRADE							
NOLLAMARA	3	3	0	440	299	147.157	12
WEST COAST	3	3	0	332	245	135.510	12
TRINITY-AQUINAS	3	2	1	343	227	151.101	8
MT LAWLEY	3	2	1	335	232	144.396	8
WEMBLEY	3	2	1	247	242	102.066	8
University	3	1	2	272	257	105.836	4
Scarborough	3	1	2	238	271	87.822	4
North Fremantle	3	1	2	191	321	59.501	4
North Beach	3	0	3	146	256	57.031	0
Wesley Curtin	3	0	3	157	399	39.348	0
B GRADE							
OSBRN DSTRCTS	3	3	0	340	286	118.881	12
COLL/OLD SCOT	3	3	0	429	263	163.117	10
SWAN ATHLETIC	3	2	0	334	273	122.344	10
C.B.C.	3	2	1	356	198	179.797	8
DIANELLA/MORLEY	3	1	2	372	323	115.170	4
University	3	1	2	307	295	104.067	4
Innaloo	3	1	2	300	333	90.090	4
Bayswater	3	1	2	275	341	80.645	4
Bassendean	3	1	2	249	401	62.094	4
Maylands	3	0	3	211	459	45.969	0
C GRADE							
TRINITY-AQUINAS	3	3	0	537	116	462.931	12
WEMBLEY	3	3	0	431	109	395.412	12
ROCKINGHAM	3	3	0	430	178	241.573	12
WHITFORD	3	3	0	385	212	181.603	12
MT LAWLEY	3	2	1	391	195	200.512	8
Nollamara	3	2	1	311	245	126.938	4
Cockburn Lakes	3	0	3	171	440	38.863	0
Coolbina-Yokine	3	0	3	152	425	35.764	0
Cowan University	3	0	3	111	536	20.708	0
Wesley Curtin	3	0	3	77	539	14.285	0
D GRADE							
SCARBOROUGH	3	3	0	405	160	253.125	12
NORTH BEACH	3	2	0	609	272	223.897	8
HAMERS-CARINE	3	2	1	365	247	147.773	8
MEVILLE	3	2	1	318	346	91.907	8
JOHN 23RD SWAN-BOURNE	3	2	1	279	313	89.137	8
Mundaring Hills	3	1	2	343	347	98.847	4
Dianella/Morley	3	1	2	289	309	93.527	4
Lynwood-Ferndale	3	1	2	264	300	88.000	4
Bullcreek	3	1	2	249	631	39.461	4
Carlisle	3	0	3	251	447	56.152	0
E GRADE							
WEST COAST	3	3	0	433	191	226.701	12
WANNEROO	3	3	0	316	258	122.480	12
APPLECROSS	3	2	1	293	292	103.900	8
BRENTWOOD	3	2	1	243	292	63.219	8
ST. NORBERTS	3	1	2	362	242	149.586	4
Balcatta	3	1	2	338	260	130.000	4
R & I Bank	3	1	2	382	305	125.245	4
University	3	1	2	299	264	113.257	4
Sawyers Valley	3	1	2	188	431	43.619	4
Hellenic	3	0	3	139	468	29.700	0
F GRADE							
REDCLIFFE	3	3	0	365	192	190.104	12
SWAN ATHLETIC	3	2	0	192	131	146.584	8
MT LAWLEY	3	2	1	309	213	145.070	8
NATIONAL BANK	3	2	1	284	201	141.293	8
COOLBELLUP	3	2	1	278	306	90.849	8
Coll/Old Scot	2	1	1	212	176	120.454	4
Innaloo	3	1	2	224	266	84.210	4
Nollamara	3	1	2	238	372	63.978	4
Victoria Park	3	0	3	197	257	76.653	0
Forrestfield	3	0	3	184	369	49.864	0
G GRADE							
WEMBLEY	3	3	0	429	154	278.571	12
UNIVERSITY	3	3	0	358	193	185.492	12
SWAN VIEW	3	3	0	468	277	168.953	12
NTH FREMANTLE	3	2	1	352	185	190.270	8
BASSEDEAN	3	2	1	420	302	139.072	8
Riverton	3	2	1	260	236	110.169	8
Bayswater	3	0	3	256	347	73.775	0
West Coast	3	0	3	182	413	44.067	0
Osborne Districts	3	0	3	176	490	35.918	0
Wesley Curtin	3	0	3	117	421	27.790	0
H GRADE							
OCEAN RIDGE	3	3	0	497	210	236.666	12
WHITFORD	3	3	0	435	221	196.832	12
R.A.A.F.	3	2	1	358	284	126.056	8
C.B.C.	3	2	1	325	261	124.521	8
HAMERS-CARINE	3	1	1	351	307	114.332	6
East Fremantle	3	1	1	264	315	83.809	6
Trinity-Aquinas	3	1	2	413	272	151.838	4
Maylands	3	1	2	248	336	73.809	4
Murdoch University	3	0	3	227	449	50.556	0
Carlisle	3	0	3	119	582	20.446	0

COLTS

	P	W	L	F	A	%	PTS
A GRADE							
NORTH BEACH	3	3	0	459	116	395.689	12
TRINITY-AQUINAS	3	3	0	368	94	391.489	12
UNIVERSITY	3	3	0	407	187	217.647	12
MT LAWLEY	3	3	0	326	216	150.925	12
WEST COAST	3	1	2	348	255	136.470	4
Nollamara	3	1	2	178	228	78.070	4
North Fremantle	3	1	2	200	372	53.763	4
Wembley	3	0	3	218	365	59.726	0
Wesley Curtin	3	0	3	111	405	27.407	0
Scarborough	3	0	3	84	461	18.221	0
B GRADE							
C.B.C.	3	3	0	537	79	679.746	12
COLL/OLD SCOT	3	3	0	490	82	597.560	12
INNALOO	3	3	0	497	114	435.964	12
UNIVERSITY	3	3	0	331	136	243.382	12
BASSEDEAN	3	2	1	253	250	101.200	8
Osborne Districts	3	1	2	210	322	65.217	4
Bayswater	3	0	3	212	331	64.048	0
Dianella/Morley	3	0	3	190	314	60.509	0
Maylands	3	0	3	44	388	7.482	0
Swan Athletic	3	0	3	18	566	3.180	0
C GRADE							
WHITFORD	3	3	0	379	57	664.912	12
WANNEROO	2	2	0	225	109	206.422	8
ROCKINGHAM	2	2	0	186	100	186.000	8
LYNWOOD-FERND	2	2	0	71	48	147.916	8
OCEAN RIDGE	3	2	1	210	196	107.142	8
North Beach	3	1	2	200	216	92.592	4
Trinity-Aquinas	2	1	1	147	190	77.368	4
Applecross	3	1	2	149	220	67.727	4
Mt Lawley	3	1	2	164	332	49.397	4
Hammersley-Carine	3	0	3	180	275	65.454	0
Swan View	3	0	3	137	305	44.918	0
Carlisle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Nollamara emerge as clear favourites

THE battle of the two top amateur sides went to the more determined Nollamara, who demolished Trinity-Aquinas by 52 points in last Saturday's A-grade tussle.

The Cougars all-round physical strength proved too much for Trinity-Aquinas and with the added fire power of Steve Sadowski, from West Perth, will now be outright favourites for the flag.

One of the highlights of the game was the clash of the top amateur ruckmen Mal Bennett and John Hackett.

These two crashed into each other ferociously all day and kept the crowd entertained with good ruck work.

Darryl Smith and Damien Shore were two Nollamara players to stand out in what was a very good side.

Trinity-Aquinas had many triers, but none better than John Price and recruit Jeremy Pell.

Mt Lawley caused the upset of the round when they beat last year's grand finalists Wembley by 42 points.

The Hawks looked in trouble when ace forward Brendon Reid strained a hamstring muscle in the first 10 minutes.

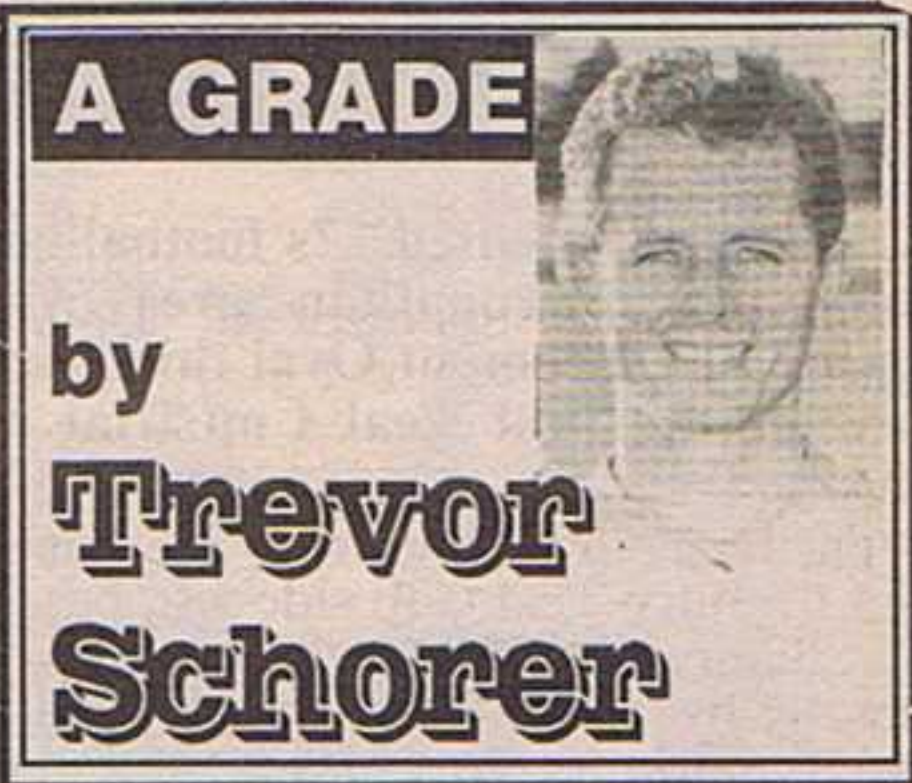
However, it was a combination of youth and experience which enabled the less fancied Hawks to win going away.

Running players Neil Carroll, Gerard Kearney and Phillip Warren exerted their authority and with 100-game player John Pinneri, were prime examples for the younger brigade to follow.

Two young players to do well were Travis Cook and Kevin Glynn, who was thrust into the ruck with good effect and also provided a target up forward with four goals.

West Coast farewelled coach Ken Judge, who was appointed to the East Fremantle role during the week, with a huge 64-point win over Wesley-Curtin.

West Coast's tall timber was just too good for their opponents and the ruck division were the leaders in this area.



The racy Robert Mann made a successful comeback from a series of injuries over the past year and is proving to be a huge headache for opposition sides.

Mann was well backed up by seasoned campaigner Gerard Montague, who is playing at the peak of his form.

University had a few obstacles to overcome before they were able to down North Fremantle by 39 points.

The students inaccuracy in front of goal was atrocious and could have cost them dearly against the high-rated side.

Their best player was Peter Hudson, who was well-supported by Roger Steinepries and Bill Fry.

North have an enormous amount of work to do if they want to avoid relegation — a tussle they will have with Wesley-Curtin.

The Magpies best players were Farrell, Jordan and the evergreen Gavan Ferraz, who has been a great player for his club for many years.

Scarborough ran out comfortable winners in the Ocean Derby, downing North Beach by 58 points.

It was again the Scarborough defence which held firm and set up their side's hard-fought victory.

Coach Gary Armstrong has knitted a tidy defensive unit which is not going to be easy to penetrate and North found this task too much.

Best for Scarborough were Mick Morris, who is in outstanding form, Darren Connell and Steve Lawrence.

North Beach will improve as the season goes on, but are not going to be the power they have been over the past two seasons.

AMATEUR RESULTS

A GRADE	
Mt Lawley 17.16 d Wembley 9.16, Nollamara 19.12 d Trinity Aquinas 11.8, Scarborough 14.11 d North Beach 5.7, West Coast 23.18 d Wesley Curtin 15.2, University 14.20 d North Fremantle 10.5.	
B GRADE	
Innaloo 17.19 d Mayland 11.13, Osborne Districts 18.12 d Bassendean 13.17, Collegians OS 23.11 d Dianella Morley 10.10, Swan Athletic 16.9 d University 10.14, CBC 14.15 d Bayswater 3.12.	
C GRADE	
Whitfords 22.10 d Cockburn Lakes 8.9, Mt Lawley 30.18 d Wesley Curtin 5.2, Rockingham 19.10 d Nollamara 9.11, Trinity Aquinas 20.12 d Coolbina Yokine 11.11, Wembley 21.20 d Cowan Uni 4.9.	
D GRADE	
Bullcreek 15.13 d North Beach 7.4, Mundaring 21.20 d Dianella Morley 14.15, John 23rd 14.23 d Lynwood Fernadale 11.12, Hamersley Carine 24.13 d Carlisle 9.8, Scarborough 28.19 d Melville 6.9.	
E GRADE	
Sawyers Valley 19.9 d Balcatta 16.11, Brentwood 17.17 d Hellenic 8.8, West Coast 26.19 d R&I 12.11, Applecross 15.9 d University 9.16, Wanneroo 14.7 d St Norberts 12.12.	
F GRADE	
Coolbellup 13.21 d Vic Park 13.13, Redcliffe 19.26 d Nollamara 6.5, Mt Lawley 17.21 d Forrestfield 7.3, Innaloo 13.9 d National Bank 10.12.	
G GRADE	
Wembley 24.18 d Osborne Districts 9.7, Riverton 12.10 d West Coast 7.16, Swanview 20.19 d Bassendean 18.13, North Fremantle 15.13 d Bayswater 10.8, University 17.13 d Wesley Curtin 7.4.	
H GRADE	
Ocean Ridge 20.17 d RAAF 15.15, Whitfords 19.10 d Maylands 14.4, Trinity Aquinas 34.23 d Carlisle 5.1, CBC 20.6 d Murdoch 19.11, East Fremantle 16.15 drew Hamersley Carine 17.9.	
I GRADE	
Scarborough 17.16 d Old Guildfordians 9.7, Bullcreek 32.22 d Osborne Districts 2.6, North Beach 22.9 d Warnbro Swans 11.7, Rockingham 27.29 d Bayswater 2.2, North Fremantle 29.16 d John 23rd 7.13.	
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C COLTS	
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Kicking football into the future



Teal Cup trial

ABOUT 50 talented 17s footballers from the metropolitan area will gather at Claremont Oval this Sunday for the first Teal Cup trial of 1991.

The trials to help select WA's Town and Country Teal Cup side will begin at 9.30am and the boys will be watched closely by second-year coach Eddie Pitter, selectors Greg Hyde and Ian McRae and FDT co-ordinator Ross Luckman.

Next Saturday (May 11) the selection panel travel to three rural centres to give country hopefuls their first hit-out in preparation for the Commonwealth Bank carnival in Darwin in July.

Country boys will be invited to train at Dongara, Kellerberrin and Kojonup at 1.30pm in their bid to earn further runs in Perth later in the season.

Pratt takes on new role

FORMER WAFL boundary umpire Charlie Pratt has been appointed umpires advisor in the South Fremantle junior region for 1991.

Pratt, whose career started in 1954, umpired a total of 234 WAFL games before his retirement in 1975.

One of Pratt's objectives is to build a solid foundation from which potential umpires can graduate from.

Training will be at Fremantle Oval each Thursday night, where Pratt will hold practical and theoretical training sessions for junior umpires.

"I'm a little worried about numbers at this stage, but things should improve as the season progresses," said Pratt.

Mighty

Milo

says ...



BE INVOLVED

BEING involved is an important part of the football team.

Every member of the side — even the little guy who maybe struggles to get a kick — can be an important part of team success.

Voices and eyes are things that every player has — even if he (or she) doesn't have the same level of skills as the better players.

If you are within seeing or calling distance of a team-mate, use your eyes to see what's going on around him and your voice to tell him what's happening.

If a star team-mate is about to be tackled and you yell 'kick it' and he gets rid of the ball successfully, then your role is just as important as the better player's effort.

No matter how far away from the play you are, your voice can travel, especially if you talk loud and often.

Remember, being a team member is more than just trying to get a kick. Every time you help a team-mate, you've done a good job.

Always keep your eye on the football and never miss an opportunity to help a team-mate.

It's marvellous what a difference



makes

Carnival at Bunbury

JUNIOR teams from metropolitan regions, South Suburban and Northern Districts will take part in a country carnival at Bunbury over the June long weekend.

Other junior clubs in the carnival are Bunbury and Districts, Margaret River and Murray Districts.

The carnival is being hosted by Bunbury and Districts JFC, with all games being played at the Hay Park complex in Bunbury.

Visiting youngsters will be accommodated by local people in Bunbury and surrounding areas over the three-day break.

"This carnival will give juniors from different associations the opportunity to compete against each other," said organiser Reg Hall.

"It also gives officials and umpires the chance to recognise the different styles of play, coaching and umpiring and is a great time to make new friends.

"Other associations from areas such as Geraldton, Esperance, Kalgoorlie, Albany, Narrogin and the Lower South West region have been invited to take part in next year's carnival.

A total of 16 teams consisting of 352 junior players will take part in the junior field-day.



East Perth promotions lady Sharon Davidson is surrounded by her enthusiastic Milo cheer squad members before they go out to support the Royals

Milestones for duo

TWO promising young footballers have joined the Milo Milestone Club as they reach important stages in their careers.

Clinton Dedman, from the Carine Junior Football Club and Malcolm Paves, from the Mundaring Thunderbirds, have passed the 100-game and 50-game marks respectively.

Clinton, from Duncraig started his junior career in 1982 has played 113 games, mainly in the backline and his favourite football club is East Perth.

Malcolm started his junior career in 1987 and is mainly a forward-line player...and he is a dedicated West Coast Eagles fan.

THE HUNGRY JACK'S WHOPPER CLUB

with Guy McKenna



It's hard on the road

INTERSTATE trips for the West Coast Eagles will just keep getting harder and harder as the AFL season progresses.

While most people expect us to win our fair share of away games, there are many disadvantages we have to overcome even before we play the opposition.

This week we venture to Princes Park to take on the in-form Hawthorn, who are fresh from their record-breaking 157-point demolition of Fitzroy in Hobart last week — a tough challenge we have to meet head-on.

While it would be an understatement to suggest, we will have to be in our best form to tackle the power brokers of the last decade — one slip-up and we are in big trouble.

One reason for our early season form has been the consistency of players who have not been troubled with injury.

Injuries have the potential to make

or break a team.... and so far, touch wood, the Eagles won't have to worry about injury woes too much.

So far this season the only injuries acquired have been to rover Scott Watters (knee), Mark Hepburn (groin) and ruck stalwart Phil Scott (foot).

A team that combines well is a little like the final piece in a jigsaw puzzle and that's what we will want this year if we are to be a force in the AFL.

HJ clinics

HUNGRY Jack's Superclinics will take place at the following times and schools:

Guy McKenna — Tuesday, May 7: 9.30am-10.30am Applecross; 11am-noon Attadale; 12.50pm-1.50pm St Benedicts; 2.15pm-3.15pm Ardross.

Phil Narkle — Thursday, May 5: 9-10am East Beechboro; 11am-noon West Midland; 1pm-2pm Helena Valley.

Dean Irving — Wednesday, May 1: 12.50pm-1.50pm St Augustines; 2.15pm-3.15pm Rivervale. Thursday, May 2: 12.50pm-1.50pm Rhema Christian; 2.15pm-3.15pm Ursula Frayne Catholic.

Chris Lewis — Wednesday, May 1: 1pm-2pm Mosman Park; Thursday, May 2: 9am-10am Maylands; 11am-noon St Pauls; 1pm-2pm Takari.

Town and Country Little League

THE Town and Country Little League matches for the fourth round of fixtures saw the following results and best players:

East Fremantle (Natham Cicerello, Blake Morphet and Frank Gentry) beat West Perth (Paul Hamilton, Aaron Mack and Scott Holbrook).

South Fremantle (Paul Leslie, Shane Powell and Aaron Sicuso) beat Swan Districts (Jarrod Mohr, Jason Foster and Levon Grimmer).

Claremont (David Donald, Craig De Corsey and Kristan Bennett) beat Perth (John Morrison, Jason Henderson and Scott Smith).

East Perth (Shane Hislop, Adrian Humble and Suini Dauti) beat Subiaco (Dave Connell, Tahrn Benkavick and Graham Hastie).

This week's teams representing the WAFL clubs will be:

Redcliffe (East Perth); Mosman Park (Claremont); Roleystone (Perth); Karrinyup (Subiaco); Safety Bay (South Fremantle); Midvale (Swan Districts); Wanneroo (West Perth); Rossmoyne 1 (East Fremantle).

Big year ahead

THE Swan Districts junior football season officially kicked off last Sunday with hundreds of youngsters taking part in the various age groups.

The Swans region will boast 19 clubs with 72 teams ranging from freeball to the 17s competition — which has 17 sides competing.

The season will extend for 14 weeks and region administrator Ian Foss says that it promises to be one of the best years on record.



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COUNTRY ROUND-UP

South Barker's top win

SOUTH Mt Barker snatched second spot on the Great Southern Football League table after downing Australs 26.24 (180) to 13.6 (84) on Sunday.

They confirmed their early-season form with their fine victory, led by Winmar, Back, Jones and Watt, while Australs best was Coles.

The battle of the cellar-dwellers saw bottom-placed Wanderers topple North Albany 20.5 (125) to 9.16 (70).

The game was evenly poised for the first half, but Wanderers took control, thanks to five-goal hauls from full-forward Cardwell and former country all-star Rod Zilm.

Best for Wanderers were Zilm, Nicholson and Escott, while North Albany's best were Beek, Mountford and Fry.

Royals retained top spot with a hard-fought victory over arch-rivals North

Albany, 14.11 (95) to 13.9 (87) in a match that broke local tradition by being played on Saturday and was well-supported.

Best for Royals were Crabb and McNamara and for North Albany, Byatt and Cameron.

Tambellup produced a strong performance to finish with only 16 players to beat Kojonup 20.13 (133) to 14.13 (97). Best for Tambellup were Forster, the Farmer brothers and Woods, while Kojonup's best were Stoney, Hart and Higgins.

This week's fixtures see Australs play Wanderers; North Mt Barker take on North Albany; Royals clash with Tambellup and Kojonup play Railways, with South Mt Barker having the bye.

Ten-goal haul to Strano

REIGNING premiers Harvey-Brunswick-Leschenault jumped into top spot after thrashing the previously-unbeaten Busselton by 104 points.

Rover Tony Strano was the star for the Lions, kicking 10 goals in their 27.17 to 11.9 win.

Full-forward Mario Tartaglia had his best return for the season with six goals.

Other outstanding contributors were centreman Graham Jeffery and ruckman Graham Jones.

Best of a disappointing lot for the Magpies were the consistent Mark Stojanovski, Michael Kemp and Peter Dawson.

Boyanup-Capel-Dardanup climbed to second place, trailing the Lions on percentage, with an 81-point drubbing of Donnybrook, 20.10 to 7.7.

Danny Sharpe kicked eight goals and Jamie Ninyett and Shane Bertolini three each, while John Sullivan and Paul Fimmano were among their best.

Ian Brown was the Dons' most productive forward, scoring four goals.

CLOSE FINISH

Mines Rovers beat Bunbury by four points in a cliff-hanger, 14.18 to 15.8.

The Eagles led by 31 points at half time but Bunbury fought back tenaciously to get within four points at the last break.

The lead see-sawed in the final term with Bunbury leading three minutes before full time, but Stephen Grey goaled for the Eagles to give them their third win of the season.

Speedy wingman Gary King, classy veteran Peter Rowe and promising youngster Paul Barrett were the prime movers behind the Eagles victory.

Rover Kelvin Gribble kicked five goals for the Bulldogs, while hard working centreman Rohan Glen was their best player.

South Bunbury scored the upset of the round with a thrilling four-point win against an inaccurate Augusta-Margaret River 12.10 to 10.18.

The Hawks threw away any chance of a win by booting a woeful 3.16 in the first half.

South Bunbury ruckman Rod Steele, wingman Darren Coram and centreman Wayne Davis set up their victory.

The Hawks best were defender Simon Wuttke and on-ball players Ian Hawke and Alex Rattray.

POWERFUL

Collie bounced back to the winner's list when they overpowered Carey Park in the second half to win 21.16 to 11.11.

Paul Carpenter kicked six goals for Collie while Brad Barton and Mark Antonovich were in exceptional touch on the ball.

Newdegate take carnival title

THE Ongerup Football Association's second annual lightning carnival went right down to the wire last weekend, with Newdegate emerging as the victors.

Newdegate clinched the title on percentage when they narrowly won their last match, beating Boxwood Hills, 4.7 (31) to 4.4 (28).

Pingrup finished second in the carnival after beating Kent in their second match.

The carnival's fairest and best went to Troy Hill, from Boxwood Hills, from Shane Perry, of Borden.

The carnival opened with Pingrup beating Ongerup 3.2 (20) to 1.4 (10). Best players were Kevin Farmer, Ken Holmes and Des Eades.

Kent completely overpowering Borden, 8.6 (54) to 1.3 (9), with the best being Joe Davies, Shane Perry and Jim Sternick.

Boxwood Hills took on Gnowangerup and won 10.1 (61) to 3.4 (22). Best were Troy Hill, Wade Hayward and Gary Tyson.

Newdegate crushed Jerramungup 7.6 (48) to 0.5 (5) with Morris Meola, Dave Weich and Arron Beaver the best.

SECOND ROUND

The second round saw Ongerup beat Borden 6.5 (41) to 3.1 (19); with the best being Gareth Beck, Shane Perry and Des Eades.

Pingrup downed a desperate Kent 6.2 (38) to 5.5 (35) and best were Athol Farmer, Rod Penny and Neil Smith. Jerramungup eclipsed Gnowangerup 6.5 (41) to 3.5 (23) with Troy Hill, Aaron Beaver and Gary Bunker best.

This weekend sees the start of Ongerup's season with Jerramungup playing Pingrup; Newdegate meeting Ongerup; Borden hosting Boxwood Hills and Kent opposed to Gnowangerup.

York topple top side

YORK tumbled top side Quairading to third place on the Avon Football Association ladder with a strong finish to win 16.11 (107) to 7.11 (53) and move into second spot.

Best for York were Hill and Jackson and for Quairading, Foley and Coleman.

New league leaders Kellerberrin showed their strength against the lowly-placed Railways, who will be desperate for a win against Cunderdin this week.

Railways struggled to keep in touch against the premiership favourites, who won 20.15 (135) to 12.11 (83).

Best for Kellerberrin were Garrott and Bradley, while Railways best were Hunter and Eddy.

Cunderdin accounted for an inaccurate Brookton 17.4 (106) to 12.14 (86), with their best being Crawford and Bloodworth, while Brookton's best were Fancote and Mills.

A strong last quarter by Beverley gave them a 16.19 (115) to 12.18 (90) victory over Tammin. Best for Beverley were Young and Lote and for Tammin, Gray and Devitt.

Pilbara draw

THE North Pilbara League kicked off last weekend with a thrilling draw between Wickham and Sharks and positive wins to the Karratha Kats and the Falcons.

Kats were strong for Rovers, winning 26.14 (170) to 9.14 (68), which put them in top spot.

Second placed Falcons doubled the Swans score, 14.18 (102) to 7.10 (52).

The nail-biting draw between the Sharks and Wickham saw the teams locked on 92 points each, with the more accurate Sharks kept in the game by kicking 14.8 to 13.14.

PREMIERSHIP TABLES

Lower South-West

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Tigers	3	3	0	355	189	187	12
Boyanup Brook	3	3	0	315	228	138	12
Deanmill	3	2	1	311	224	138	8
Imperials	3	1	2	244	265	92	4
Southerners	3	0	3	230	300	76	0
Bridgetown	3	0	3	178	427	41	0

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	P	W	D	L	For	Agst	%	Tot
Harvey Bruns	4	3	0	1	532	324	164.1	12
Boy Capel	4	3	0	1	461	287	160.6	12
Mines Rovers	4	3	0	1	408	402	101.4	12
Busselton	4	3	0	1	418	428	97.6	12
Aug Marg Riv	4	2	1	1	311	291	106.8	10
Sth Bunbury	4	2	0	2	326	352	92.6	8
Collie	4	2	0	2	291	329	88.4	8
Bunbury	4	1	0	3	319	370	86.2	4
Carey Park	4	1	1	3	278	432	64.3	2
Donnybrook	4	0	4	4	255	384	66.4	0

DEVAUGH

Great Northern

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Pts
Towns	4	3	0	1	505	329	153.49	14
Mullewa	5	3	1	1	613	515	119.02	14
Railways	4	3	1	0	458	456	100.43	12
N Hampton	4	2	2	0	425	454	93.61	8
Brigade	5	2	3	0	426	515	82.71	8
C Valley	4	1	3	0	406	479	84.75	4
Rovers	4	0	4	0	277	373	74.26	0

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Avon Association

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Kellerberrin	3	3	0	311	203	153.20	12
York	3	2	1	299	127	235.43	8
Quairading	3	2	1	323	185	174.59	8
Beverley	3	2	1	238	227	104.84	8
Brookton	3	1	2	260	279	93.18	4
Cunderdin	2	1	1	137	157	87.26	4
Tammin	3	1	2	211	263	80.22	4
Railways	2	0	2	179	263	68.32	0
Federals	2	0	2	74	329	22.49	0

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Eastern Districts

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Kulin	3	3	0	325	176	184.66	12
Nukarni	3	3	0	367	216	169.91	12
Hyden/Karlgarrin	3	2	1	301	298	101.01	8
Corrigin	3	2	1	221	246	89.84	8
Burracoppin	4	2	2	337	383	87.99	8
Kondinin	4	2	2	297	344	87.10	8
Merredin	4	1	3	385	323	119.20	4
Narembeen	4	1	3	376	334	112.57	4
Bruce Rock	4	0	4	173	565	30.62	0

SEVEN OAKS MERINO STUD

Upper Great Southern

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Royals	4	4	0	482	276	174.63	16
Sth Mt Barker	4	3	1	495	366	135.24	12
Tambellup	4	3	1	476	394	120.81	12
North Albany	4	2	2	406	324	125.30	8
Kojonup	3	1	2	319	307	103.90	4
Railways	3	1	2	277	341	81.23	4
Australs	3	1	2	152	374	67.37	4
Wanderers	4	1	3	264	442	59.72	4
Nth Mt Barker	3	0	3	196	343	57.14	0

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Central Midlands

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Pts
Dandaragan	2	1	1	203	174	116.6	4
Dalwallinu	2	1	1	207	173	116.1	4
Rovers	1	1	0	96	83	115	4
Warriors	2	1	1	165	178	92	4
Bindi Miling	1	0	1	55	112	49	0

TIWEST JOINT VENTURE

North Pilbara

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Tot
Kats	1	1	0	0	170	68	250	4
Falcons	1	1	0	0	102	52	196	4
Sharks	1	0	0	1	92	92	100	2
Wickham	1	0	0	1	92	92	100	2
Swans	1	0	1	0	52	102	50	0
Rovers	1	0	1	0	68	170	40	0

Emu Export

Classy Maddington in upset win

By **Damian Bianchini**
Sunday

Sunday Football League

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Tot
Armadale	2	2	0	308	104	296.15	8
Wanneroo	2	2	0	266	98	271.42	8
Gosnells	2	2	0	302	172	175.58	8
Maddington	2	2	0	231	181	127.62	8
Osborne Park	2	1	1	251	198	126.76	4
Kelmscott	2	1	1	220	224	98.21	4
Applecross	2	1	1	184	192	95.83	4
Willetton	2	1	1	132	147	89.79	4
Kenwick	2	1	1	173	198	87.37	4
Canning	2	1	1	164	241	68.05	4
Thornlie	2	0	2	126	153	82.35	0
Mandurah	2	0	2	181	226	80.08	0
South Perth	2	0	2	112	247	45.34	0
Kalamunda	2	0	2	111	390	29.21	0

Metro Football League

	P	W	D	L	For	Agst	%	Tot
Mundijong	3	3	0	0	298	161	185.09	12
Mosman Park	3	3	0	0	377	215	175.34	12
Pinjarra	3	2	0	1	284	182	156.04	8
Nth Frem	3	2	0	1	314	217	144.70	4
Midland	3	2	0	1	288	204	141.17	8
Manning	3	1	0	2	294	302	97.35	4
Kwinana	3	1	0	2	264	344	76.74	4
Sth Mand	3	1	0	2	267	365	73.15	4
Waroona	3	0	0	3	200	368	54.34	0
Cockburn	3	0	0	3	150	378	39.68	0

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ROUND 3, SUN MAY 3, 1991
KELMSCOTT v THORNLIE
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WILLETTON v GOSNELLS
 Burrendah Reserve, Burrendah Boulevard, Willetton
KENWICK v ARMADALE
 Mills Park, Brixton Street, Kenwick
KALAMUNDA v APPLECROSS
 Ray Owen Reserve, Grove Road, Lesmurdie
MANDURAH v SOUTH PERTH
 Rushton Park Oval, Dower Street, Mandurah
WANNEROO v CANNING
 Kingsway Sporting Complex, Skeet Road, Landsdale
MADDINGTON v OSBORNE PARK
 Maddington Oval, Canning Park Avenue, Maddington

METROPOLITAN FIXTURES

ROUND FOUR — SUNDAY, MAY 5th
PINJARRA v MOSMAN PARK
 Greater Sports Ground, Cnr Dixon & Roe Avenue, Pinjarra
NORTH FREMANTLE v WAROONA
 Gilfraser Reserve, John Street, North Fremantle
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MON-FRI AND SATURDAY MORNINGS

MADDINGTON caused the upset of the Sunday Football League round with a 29-point win over Kelmscott at Maddington Oval, 23.15 (153) to 19.10 (124).

in upset win

Maddington were a goal down at the start of the last quarter, but gained the ascendancy across the middle to go on and win comfortably.



Former WAFL player Barry Cable shoots out a handpass for his new Sunday League club, Kelmscott

Maddington's forward line dominated, with goalsneak Paul Tolan kicking nine and former Swan Districts and Perth player Ross Fitzgerald making a great comeback to post six goals from centre-half-forward.

Kelmscott's Matthew Congleton continues to play well and finished off with nine goals; well-supported by Troy Davis, with six goals.

Fitzgerald was Maddington's best player in his first game after suffering hamstring problems pre-season, with Tolan and rover Paul Bennett dominating.

Barry Cable continues to play well for Kelmscott on his centre wing; well-supported by forward line players Davis and Congleton.

COMFORTABLE WIN

At Balcatta Reserve, Osborne Park reversed last week's defeat against Kelmscott by comfortably winning 27.18 (182) to Canning's 15.12 (102).

Osborne Park were in control all day with former Subiaco and East Perth midfielder Greg Carpenter and half-forward Murray Gomm dictating play against an under-manned Canning side.

Jamie Atkinson roved all day for Osborne Park and was rewarded with three goals, while rookies Paul Gianoulos and Mick Sanzone did well.

Former East Fremantle premierships player and Canning captain-coach Kevin Taylor was a consistent danger and finished with four goals from a half-forward-flank.

CONVINCING

Armadale won their second game in convincing style, with a 185-point thrashing over a depleted Kalamunda at Gwynne Park, 32.27 (219) to 4.10 (34).

Armadale's forward line was unbeatable with numerous goalkickers — Bruce Loo five and four each to Bruce Atwell, Clive Walley and Charlie Tenardi.

Captain Craig Rubery, Loo and Walley were Armadale's best, while for Kalamunda, David Della and Mark King tried all day.

Kalamunda, who have lost a number of players from last year, face a tough season and will need to lift their performance if they are going to be competitive.

DOMINATED

Gosnells followed up their first-round win against Kalamunda with a hard-fought victory over Kenwick at Gosnells Oval, 21.15 (141) to 15.10 (100).

Once again Guy Baxter completely dominated, finishing with eight goals from a forward pocket when he was off the ball.

For Gosnells, Brian Lester and Stan Ward kicked four goals each, while for the Royals, Peter McDonald and Peter Ashworth posted three each.

Baxter was Gosnells best player; well-supported by Peter Taylor, who was solid in defence and David Lyons.

For Kenwick, Gavin Hanley, Paul Preedy and Rod Smith all performed well for the Royals.

CRUSHING WIN

Wanneroo moved to the top of the SFL ladder after a crushing win over South Perth at Lathlain Park, winning 27.15 (185) to 8.3 (51).

Les Fong's side proved they will be the measuring stick of the competition with a ruthless display over a disappointing South Perth.

Wanneroo's defence was rock-solid, keeping South Perth scoreless in the second and third quarters, while up forward Chris Davies and Tony Fraser kicked four goals each, with Tony Smith adding three.

The South Perth forward line fought hard with Peter Zelesco and Tony Crutchley kicking two goals each from limited opportunities.

Wanneroo's Tony Fullgrave played well in the centre and was well-supported by Davies and vice-captain Robbie Steel.

Best players were hard to find for South Perth, though Darren Martin, Nathan Teakle and Simon Boyd provided some opposition.

Applecross recorded their first win under new coach Mal Mason, beating Mandurah at East Fremantle Oval, 21.11 (137) to 17.9 (111).

The Applecross defence was on top all day, with Steve Burgess on a half-back flank and Kane Whittaker, at centre-half-back, repelling many Mandurah attacking moves, while rover Todd Shimon delivered the ball efficiently to the forwards.

Applecross full-forward Ken Hayward finished with five goals; well-supported by half-forward Bruce Jenkins, who kicked four.

Mandurah's Scott Hardy was an elusive wingman, with Wayne Stevenson playing a sweeping role across the half-back line.

Dempsey Narkle played a servicable first-up game for Mandurah, dominating the ruck and taking some strong marks around the ground.

CLOSE RESULT

In the closest game of the day at Thornlie Oval, Willetton managed to get up by a kick, winning 11.9 (75) to Thornlie's 9.15 (69).

Thornlie, who were leading by three goals at the last change, were overpowered by a more determined Willetton.

Captain Steve Perejmibida kicked three goals for Willetton, while for Thornlie Con Tripi finished with three and captain-coach Geoff O'Brien two.

Willetton rover Jason Sheridan and half-back Darren Crook continue to play well, with Sebastian Donovan being a focal point across the half-forward line.

Andrew Glendinning gave Thornlie good service out of the middle, supported by Darren Reed and Randell Prowse.

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Applecross set some targets

THE Applecross Football Club are confident of achieving some major improvements in this year's Sunday League competition after a disappointing 1990 season.

The Sharks have worked hard over the summer break to ensure a more professional approach on and off the field.

New president Neil Willis has an enthusiastic committee who have shown a willingness to change the structure of the club, which has seldom altered since they joined the competition in 1984.

"We will be aiming for fifth spot this season and anything below that position will not be acceptable," says Willis.

"Applecross have not had a lot of on-field success in recent times, so changes have taken place to ensure a turn-around in the club's fortunes.

RECRUITING

"The committee have worked hard over summer recruiting players and improving the depth and our side will

by
DAMIAN BIANCHINI

have a more disciplined approach. Hopefully, we will be able to see the rewards at the end of the season.

"Though we have lost some good players, our depth this year is greater than it has ever been, which is a good sign for 1991."

The most important decision the club made during the pre-season break was the appointment of Mal Mason as senior coach.

Mason brings a wealth of coaching experience to Applecross and has a good record of lifting struggling clubs.

He coached senior football in the Mortlock and Central Midlands leagues for 12 years, producing six premierships with three sides.

Though the senior side went down to Wanneroo by five goals in round one, the Sharks were only one goal down at the start of the last quarter, showing that they have the ability to match it with the top sides.

That loss was reversed last Sunday

when they were impressive 26-point winners against Mandurah, at East Fremantle Oval.

Life member Mick Pember, who coached Applecross in the Metropolitan League, has been appointed coach of the reserves.

Pember will be a valuable back-up to Mason with his playing and coaching experience at Applecross and his playing days at South Fremantle.

Colts coach for 1991 is Craig Campbell, who took the colts sides of 1988 and 1989 to premierships.

Applecross have lost previous captain Peter Brindley and Stuart Van Duren to East Fremantle, while Todd Jenkins has retired.

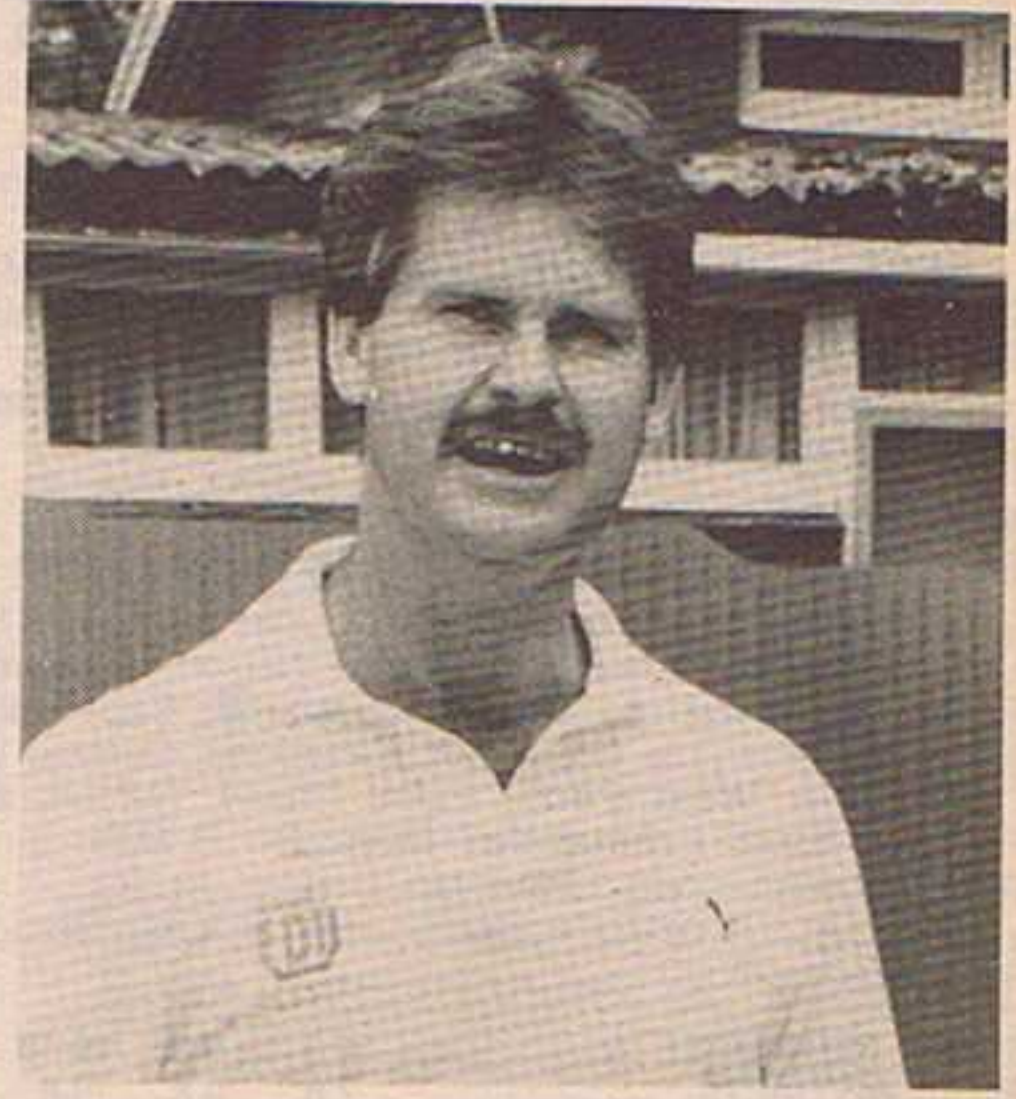
The most notable gains have been Matthew Bateman, Dean Johns, Dean Sermon, Ryan Sermon and John Scofield, from Thornlie, Maddington, Kenwick, Perth and South Fremantle respectively.

The senior captain this season is Mark Harding, a brother of Paul, who is currently playing for St Kilda in the AFL.

Applecross was formed in 1962, but disbanded shortly afterwards, reform-

ing in 1969 as a member of the Fremantle Ex-Scholars Competition.

In 1971, they were premiers in that competition and in 1972 they joined the West Australian Football Association and then moved into the Sunday Football League in 1984.



Mick Pember, Aussie Footy co-ordinator at the Football Development Trust, coaches the Applecross reserves side in his spare time

WESTSIDE RATINGS

The Westside Football ratings award is unique in WA football. The system covers all league players in every game, with ratings out of 10 for their performances. The letter "i" indicates a player was injured and "r" for an interchange reserve; but they are still rated on their performance while on the ground.

Swan Districts

	V	C	P	EP	SF	TOT
AHMAT, Joe	6	5	3			14
ATHERTON, Shane	5	4	6	5		20
BALL, Jason				4		4
BAZZO, Steven	4	4	5	5		18
BELL, Ken		3				3
BENNELL, Ian	5	3	5	5		18
BROADBRIDGE, Michael	6	3	5	4		18
CATON, Kevin	4	5	7	7		23
DAVEY, Shaun	7	5	6			18
EATON, Steve	8	6	4	4		22
EDMONDS, Travis	6	5	6	6		23
GANDINI, Len		4	r			4
GRASSO, Mick	4	4				8
HANDLEY, Steve	4		5	4		13
HASTIE, Mick	6	5	5	4		20
HODYL, Peter	3		6	5		14
HOLMES, Andy	5	4	5	5		19
HUTTON, Brent	7					7
KESTEL, Stewart			6	5		11
MARKWELL, Derek		3				3
NARKLE, Phil	8			4		12
O'REILLY, Stephen		5	8	4		17
PASSERI, Geoff	5	5	7	6		23
PENNY, Danny				5		5
RANCE, Murray	7	5	6	4		22
RETZLAFF, Brendon	7	5	8	6		26
UGLE, Troy			8	5		13
WALKER, Greg	6	4	3			13

West Perth

	V	S	EP	C	EF	TOT
CULLEN, Matt	4		2			6
CURLLEY, Todd		3	6	7		16
DAYMAN, Wayne	5			6		11
DEAN, Paul	7	5	5	7		24
DEL BORRELLO, Angelo	5	5		6		16
DUCKWORTH, Bill						
DUNKELD, Ross	6	4	4	7		21
ELLIOTT, David	4	5		5		14
GWILLIAM, Brad	6	3	6	6		21
HALL, Derek	6	3	6	6		21
HASLER, Paul	5	6	6	5		22
HIGGINS, Richard	5	5	6			16
HOST, Andrew	5					5
KERSE, Graham	6	4	4	5		19
LAIDLIEY, Dean			5	6		11
MCQUIRE, Oral	6		5			11
NELSON, Craig	8	4	6	7		25
O'BRIEN, Darren	6	6	5			17
PALM, David	6	5	6	8		25
PROCTOR, Joe	6	3	7			16
RINDER, Craig				5		5
SANZONE, Paul	5	5	4	6		20
SUTHERLAND, Brian	5	6				11
TOOVEY, Rick	7	5	6			18
URQUHART, Julian	4	4	5	5		18
WARREN, Dale			4	5		9
WEST, Robbie	7	5	5			22

East Perth

	V	SF	WP	SD	S	TOT
BARONI, Lucio	8	5	5	6		24
BARTLETT, Glen	7	7	3	5		22
BERTRAM, Dean	5	6	4	7		22
CLAPE, Matt	6	6	5	5		22
COLBUNG, Shawn	6	3	4	6		19
EVANS, Paul	6	5	5	5		21
GIANNAKIS, George	7	6	6	6		25
HOWLETT, Gavin				3	3	3
KING, Sean	6	7	5	4		22
MARONI, Eric				7		7
McGRATH, Craig				7		7
MILLER, Peter	7		6	6		19
PEOS, Paul	5	7	5	6		23
READ, Damien	4	4	2			10
RICHARDSON, Steve	5	4	6			15
ROSE, Gavin	6	5	4	5		20
SCOTT, John				2		2
SEECAMP, Marcus		5	6	7		18
SEYMOUR, Ken	7	8	4	5		24
SILCOCK, Jeremy				6	6	6
SLADE, Andrew	6	7	4	5		22
STUBBERFIELD, Anthony	5	5	4	5		19
TURNBULL, Ryan	6	7	6	8		27
TURNER, Dean	5	6	5			16
WILLIAMS, Malcolm	4	4	4			12

Subiaco

	V	WP	C	EP	EP	TOT
BREMAN, Todd	5	3	7	6		21
BURTON, Matthew	4	5	4	4		17
CABLE, Shane				3		3
COCKER, Shane	6	6	5	7		24
COYLE, Glen	5	5	7	7		24
DARGIE, Ian	7	6	7	6		26
EVANS, Rob	6	5	6	6		23
GODDEN, Tony	4	5				9
GOLDING, Wayne			5	6		11
GRIEVE, Andrew			4	6		10
HUTCHINSON, Bret	4	4	5	7		20
KEMP, Dean	8	6				14
KEMP, Garry	5	5	7	5		22
LANGDON, Karl	8					8
LEE, Michael	6	5	5	5		21
LESTER, Stephen			6	4		10
MAGUIRE, Fintan	4	5	8	6		23
MacNISH, Andrew	5			5		16
MONAGHAN, Bill	6	4	7	5		22
SCOTT, Phil		3	4			7
SMITH, Joe		3				3
TAYLOR, Brian	6	3				9
TEEUWISSEN, Matthew			5	4		9
WHITE, Mitchell	4	4	5	5		18
WILLET, Rod	6	5	7	6		24
WILLIAMS, Darren	4					4
YOUNG, Cory	7	5	8	6		26
ZAMPOGNA, Aaron				4		4

Claremont

	V	SD	S	WP	P	TOT
BEGOVICH, Tony	7	7	5	4		23
BERESFORD, Brian	4	6	5	5		20
CLARK, Adam	5	5	5	6		21
EDWARDS, Gary		6	4	4		14
EDWARDS, Scott				6		6
EVANS, Tony	5	5	4	5		19
FITZGERALD, Rob	5	6	5	6		22
GILBERT, Phil	6	6	6	5		23
GUARD, Jeremy	5	5	5	6		21
HANN, Mark	7	5	6	6		24
HUTTON, John	4	6	6	8		24
KICKETT, Dale	5					5
KOWAL, Darren	7			5		12
LEACH, Quentin	4					4
MALAXOS, Steve	7	6	4	5		22
MALONE, Rob	6	5	5	5		21
McGOVERN, Andrew	6	5	5	6		22
McINTOSH, Ashley				5		5
MILES, Geoff	6	8	4			18
MITCHELL, Kevin	4	5	4	6		19
MUIR, David			5	4		9
NORRISH, Jason	7	6	4	6		23
OWENS, Peter		4	4			8
PANIZZA, Darrell	6	7	6	7		26
URQUHART, Andrew				4		4
WOLF, Clinton	4	5	2			11

East Fremantle

	V	P	SF	S	WP	TOT
AMARANTI, Mark	7	8	7	6		28
ANDERSON, Clayton	5	6	5			16
BRINDLEY, Peter		6	5	6		17
BROWNING, Clinton	6	7	4			17
CAPEWELL, Darren	4	6		6		16
CONDON, Damian	4	5	5	5		19
DAVIDSON, Jeff		6	6	7		19
DAVIES, Glen	5	5				10
DERECOURT, Jon	4	7	6	6		23
DURACK, Lance			8	6		14
ELLIS, Shane	3			5		8
HAMMOND, Darren	4	6	6	6		22
HIGGINS, Peter	3	5	4	4		16
HODSON, Greg	5	8	6			19
KRAKOUER, Billy	5	8	5	4		22
KRUMMEL, Brendan		5	6	6		17
LAWRENCE, John	6	8	6	5		25
LESTER-SMITH, Neil		7	5	5		17
MILLER, Gavin	3		4	4		11
MOIR, Glen	3					3
MORPHETT, Kane	4	7				11
OAKLEY, Revel				4		4
O'SULLIVAN, John	3	6	5	4		18
RYDER, Revis	4	6	5	6		21
SYMONDS, Glen	4		4	5		13
WEBER, Robbie	4	7	5	6		22

Perth

	V	EF	SD	SF	C	TOT
ALLARD, Wayne	6	5	7	6		24
BARICH, Adrian	8					8
BITHEAD, Neil	6	4	5	5		20
BROWN, Neil	4	4	5			13
CLARKSON, John				4	4	4
CUMMINGS, Steve	6	6	6	4		22
DICK, Willie	7	7	8	6		28
GAVRANICH, John			6	4		10
HANLEY, Mick	4	4				8
KELLY, Merv	4	5	7	7		23
LESTER, Tim	5	7	5	5		22
MAHONEY, Warren			3	3		6
McNAUGHTON, Craig	5	6	5	4		20
NICHOLAS, Warren	5	5	7	5		22
PAPOTTO, Tony			4	3		7
PEARS, Stephen	7	4	5			16
PORTER, Shane	5	5		4		14
REID, Craig	5	5	6	5		21
SANTOSTEFANO, Joe	6	8	6	6		26
SPALDING, Scott	7	5	6	5		23
THOMPSON, Russell	6	6	7	7		26
THOMSON, Robert	7	7	5	6		25
VAN ROOYE, John	6	6	6	6		24
YARRAN, Hank	6	5	5	5		16
ZAIKOS, John		6				6

South Fremantle

	V	EP	EP	P	SD	TOT
AMOROSO, Tony	4					4
ANNEAR, John				7		7
ATKINS, Martin		5	6	7		18
BALL, Peter	4					4
CLANCY, Phil			5	6		11
COLLARD, Brad	4	7	6	5		22
CRONAN, Phil	4	6	6			16
DELLAR, Merv			7	7		14
DUNSTAN, Michael	4	7	4			15
EDWARDS, Craig	5			6		11
FIMMANO, Ned	5	7	7	7		26
FLUGGE, Ashley	7	5	7			19
GRANT, Steven	4	7	6			



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NATIONAL SCOREBOARD



PEPSI CUP - LEAGUE

THURSDAY APRIL 25

EAST PERTH	3.7	5.16	10.19	13.23	101
SUBIACO	3.3	6.4	8.9	10.11	71

GOALS — East Perth: Miller, Colbung, Bartlett 3, King, Seymour, Maroni, Baroni. **Subiaco:** Breman 5, Young, G. Kemp, Lester, Lee, MacNish.

BEST — East Perth: Turnbull, Seecamp, Maroni, Bertram, Colbung, Peos. **Subiaco:** Cocker, Coyle, Hutchinson, Maguire, Breman, Golding.

Played at the WACA Ground. Umpires: Trevor Garrett, Phil O'Reilly. Attendances: 8380.

WEST PERTH	4.6	9.7	16.11	25.19	169
EAST FREMANTLE	3.5	3.9	9.13	16.14	110

GOALS — West Perth: Dean 5, Dunkeld 4, Culey, Proctor 3, Hall 2, Urquhart 2, Dayman, Borrello, West, Nelson, Gwilliam, Warren. **East Fremantle:** Davidson 4, Lester-Smith 3, Capewell, 2, Lawrence, Krakouer, Amaranti, O'Sullivan, Hammond, Durack, Weber.

BEST — West Perth: Palm, Curley, Nelson, Dean, Dunkeld, Proctor. **East Fremantle:** Davidson, Lester-Smith, Krummel, Amaraniti, Hammond, O'Sullivan.

Played at the WACA Ground. Umpires: Greg Scoop, Sam Kronja. Attendances: 8380.

SOUTH FREMANTLE	4.3	9.9	19.10	25.14	164
SWAN DISTRICTS	2.6	6.8	10.9	13.12	90

GOALS — South Fremantle: Jakovich 5, Grant 5, Flugge, Edwards 3, Johnson, Clancy, Jackson 2, Lebeck, Annear, Delliar. **Swan Districts:** Caton 5, Hodyl 2, Passeri 2, Hastie, O'Rielly, Ugle, Narkle.

BEST — South Fremantle: Jackson, Jakovich, Flugge, Grant, Wilson, Delliar. **Swan Districts:** Caton, Edmonds, Retzlaff, Passeri, Bazzo, Ugle.

Played at Bassendean Oval. Umpires: Grant Vernon, David Johnson. Attendances: 3571.

CLAREMONT	2.5	8.8	9.12	17.16	118
PERTH	2.1	5.1	8.4	13.6	84

GOALS — Claremont: Hutton 8, McIntosh 3, Urquhart 2, Mitchell 2, Guard, Edwards. **Perth:** Dick 4, Thomson 2, Lester 2, Kelly 2, Van Rooye, Nicholas, Gavranich.

BEST — Claremont: Hutton, Panizza, Guard, Fitzgerald, Hann, Edwards. **Perth:** Kelly, Thompson, Santostefano, Dick, Allard, Van Rooye.

Played at Claremont Oval. Umpires: Peter Repper, Mike Ball. Attendances: 3256.

PEPSI RESERVES

SATURDAY APRIL 27

SWAN DISTRICTS	3.2	13.7	14.9	16.10	106
SOUTH FREMANTLE	6.4	6.7	8.11	11.14	80

GOALS — Swan Districts: Rattray 4, Stanley 3, Dehring, Poulitney 2, Atherton, Fisher, Hewitt, Sidebottom, Walker. **South Fremantle:** Ball 6, Taylor 2, Mazurek, Caputi, Graham.

BEST — Swan Districts: Walker, O'Neill, Callow, Atherton, Stanley, Rattray. **South Fremantle:** Ball, Caputi, Ryder, Copeland, Woolton.

EAST FREMANTLE	5.2	8.4	12.5	20.8	128
WEST PERTH	2.2	6.9	13.7	15.9	99

GOALS — East Fremantle: O'Donohue 6, Davies 4, Morris, Wasley 3, Anderson 2, Atkinson, Williams. **West Perth:** Cullen 8, Bewick, Host 2, Innes, O'Brien, Wynne.

BEST — East Fremantle: Wasley, Davies, Doyle, O'Donohue, Moir. **West Perth:** Merilo, Hunter, Higgins, Cullen, Jeps.

SUBIACO	2.2	6.7	11.14	15.17	107
EAST PERTH	2.3	4.7	7.11	13.15	93

GOALS — Subiaco: D. Williams 5, Garnaut 3, Davies, Godden, Metropolis, Cox, Smith, Hunter, M. Williams. **East Perth:** Gow, Thompson 3, Gale, McKnight 2, Evans, Lunt, Breakwell.

BEST — Subiaco: Cox, Davies, Lindberg, Spicker, D. Williams, Garnaut, buck. **East Perth:** Wundke, Evans, Hasket, Port, East, Smallwood.

PERTH	5.6	9.8	17.12	19.14	128
CLAREMONT	0.2	2.4	4.6	6.12	48

GOALS — Perth: Lally 7, Wells 3, Pears, Annandale 2, Watson, Mills, Caldwell, Clement, Hansen. **Claremont:** Lukins, Higgins 2, Ham, Ballantyne.

BEST — Perth: Lally, Baker, Buck, Grogan, Clement, Mills. **Claremont:** Burton, Bertola, Parry, Ballantyne, Leach, Klemm.

PEPSI COLTS

WEST PERTH 12.10 (82) d EAST FREMANTLE 9.13 (61).

Goals — West Perth: McCullum 3, Volprecht 2, Gilla 2, Clatworthy 2, Blurton, Mountford, Symmons, Donnelly. **East Fremantle:** Clancy 3, Collins 3, Bransby, Stagg.

BEST — West Perth: Mountford, Armstrong, Gilla. **East Fremantle:** Stagg, Nixon, Lits, Collins, York, Sweetman.

SWAN DISTRICTS 11.13 (79) d SOUTH FREMANTLE 11.7 (73).

Goals — Swan Districts: Laurito 4, Cummings 3, Skender, Netherway, Whitaker, Moiler. **South Fremantle:** Hagan 3, Morellini 2, Hayden 2, Holland 2, Mitchell, McShane.

BEST — Swan Districts: Netherway, Kelly, Whitaker, Nelson. **South Fremantle:** Howsatton, Carradus, Bottrell, McShane, Mitchell.

CLAREMONT 13.9 (87) d PERTH 8.9 (57).

Goals — Claremont: Rogers 4, Vanirsen 2, Delaney 2, Gray, Leuba. **Perth:** Lofts 4, Drake-Brockman, Kelly, Lawrence, MacKey.

BEST — Claremont: Leuba, Kilburn, Rogers. **Perth:** Munroe, Drake-Brockman, Kelly.

SUBIACO 13.9 (87) d EAST PERTH 6.5 (41).

Goals — Subiaco: Esposito 3, Keeler 2, Dunn 2, Screegh 2, Mohen, Connell, Humphreys, Slatter. **East Perth:** Yarran, Forbes, Evans, Collard, Rubery, Johnson.

BEST — Subiaco: Dunn, Von Berghheim, Sarre, Batka. **East Perth:** Yarran, Evans, Tassone.

Aust Football League

THURSDAY APRIL 25

MELBOURNE	1.2	8.3	13.6	17.11	113
COLLINGWOOD	2.7	7.11	8.15	10.17	77

GOALS — Melbourne: Cuthbertson 7, Bennett 5, Spalding, G. Lovett, Owen, Keogh, Ford. **Collingwood:** M. Richardson 4, Brown 3, Barwick, Russell, Millane.

BEST — Melbourne: Dyson, Viney, Cuthbertson, Lovett, Keogh. **Collingwood:** Shaw, Russell, Brown, Kerrison.

Played at Waverley. Umpires: Peter Cameron, Bryan Sheehan. Attendances: 55,735.

NORTH MELBOURNE	5.7	12.12	19.18	27.26	188
SYDNEY	9.3	19.6	21.8	21.8	134

GOALS — North Melbourne: Longmire, Spargo 5, Larkin, Carey, German, Smith 3, Romero 2, McCarthy, Rock, Dwyer. **Sydney:** Capper 5, Love, Mitchell 4, Carroll 3, Williams, Lewis, Kelly, West, Bayes.

BEST — North Melbourne: Spargo, German, Larkin, Chandler, rock, Stantski, Gallagher. **Sydney:** Williams, Mitchell, Carroll, Tunbridge, Henwood, Toohy.

Played at MCG. Umpires: Peter Carey, Anton McKernan. Attendances: 15,644.

SATURDAY APRIL 27

EAGLES	3.4	10.10	12.13	19.20	134
GEELONG	3.4	5.4	10.10	13.11	89

GOALS — Eagles: Sumich 8, Heady 4, Lewis 3, Matera 2, Mainwaring 1, McGrath, Barich. **Geelong:** Brownless 5, Hocking 2, Hinkley 1, Russell, Bruns, Couch, Exell, Neeld.

BEST — Eagles: Sumich, Worsfold, Mainwaring, Heady, Lamb, Brennan. **Geelong:** Brownless, Hocking, Sterrett, Bairstow, Hinkley, Lamb.

Played at Waverley. Umpires: Chris Mitchell, John Russo. Attendances: 33,905.

CARLTON	3.2	8.5	11.16	13.16	94
ST KILDA	3.5	3.10	4.15	7.18	60

GOALS — Carlton: Cavedon 4, Dennis, S. Kernahan, Hanna 2, Arcer, Phillips, Bradley. **St Kilda:** Wilson 2, McAdam, Morris, Craven, Loewe, Burke.

BEST — Carlton: Bradley, Madden, D. Kernahan, Silvagni, Ratten, Folia. **St Kilda:** Rice, Morris, Harvey, Coghlan, McAdam, Newport.

Played at Princes Park. Umpires: Gavin Dore, David Howlett. Attendances: 29,608.

ESSENDON	2.9	8.11	12.15	16.18	114
BRISBANE	5.1	10.3	11.7	12.11	83

GOALS — Essendon: Plain 4, Cransberg, S. Madden 2, Harvey, Salmon, Daniher, O'Brien, long, Somerville, Watson, McMullin. **Brisbane:** Stempel, Ryan Brien, Hardie 2, Merritt, Noonan, Worsfold, Werne.

BEST — Essendon: Plain, Flood, O'Brien, O'Donnell, Harvey. **Brisbane:** Noonan, Ashcroft, McLean, Lester-Smith, Zanotti.

Played at Cararra. Umpires: Hayden Kenedy, Michael Viney. Attendances: 9253.

SUNDAY APRIL 26

HAWTHORN	7.4	17.4	25.11	36.15	231
FITZROY	2.2	3.6	7.7	11.8	74

GOALS — Hawthorn: Allan, Jarman 7, Dunstall 6, Hudson 5, Condon 4, Platten, Ayres 2, Hall, Anderson, Morrissey. **Fitzroy:** Wheildon 4, Stevenson 3, Dundas, Wynd, Waterson, Osborne.

BEST — Hawthorn: Platten, Anderson, Allan, Hudson, Pritchard, Ayres, Jarman. **Fitzroy:** Lynch, O'Connell, Wheildon, Blakey.

Played at North Hobart Oval. Umpires: Brendan Carland, Murray Bird. Attendances: 16,000.

ADELAIDE	3.1	8.7	13.9	19.14	128
FOOTSCRAY	4.4	7.6	11.10	14.13	97

GOALS — Adelaide: Murphy 6, Jameson 4, Klug, McGuinness 3, Fielke 2, Rowe. **Footscray:** Charles 3, Hawkins, Del-Re, Krakouer 3, Royal, Ford.

BEST — Adelaide: McGuinness, McDermott, Tregenza, Jarman, Smart, Klug, Murphy, Jameson. **Footscray:** Liberatore, Kolyntuk, Atkins, Coleman.

Played at Football Park. Umpires: Shane Harris, Shane McDonald. Attendances: 36,695.

Sunday Football League

ROUND 2

OSBORNE PARK	27.18	(180)
CANNING	14.12	(96)
BEST — Osborne Park: Carpenter, Grant, Atkinson. Canning: Piccirilli, K. Taylor, S. Cook.		
GOSNELLS	21.15	(141)
KENWICK	15.10	(100)
BEST — Gosnells: G. Baxter, Taylor, Lyons. Kenwick: Hanley, Preedy, R. Smith.		
WILLETTON	11.9	(75)
THORNIE	9.15	(69)
BEST — Willetton: Sheridan, Donovan, Crook. Thornie: Reid, Prowse, Glendinning.		
APPLECROSS	21.11	(137)
MANDURAH	17.19	(121)
BEST — Applecross: Burgess, Whittaker, Shimmon. Mandurah: Harvey, Stevenson, D. Narkle.		
ARMADALE	37.27	(249)
KALAMUNDA	4.10	(34)
BEST — Armadale: Loo, Walley, Rubery. Kalamunda: Della, King, Waghorn.		
MADDINGTON	23.15	(153)
KELMSCOTT	19.10	(124)
BEST — Maddington: Fitzgerald, Tolan, Bennett. Kelmscott: Cable, T. Davis, Congleton.		
WANNEROD	27.23	(185)
SOUTH PERTH	8.3	(51)
BEST — Wanneroo: Fulgrabe, Davies, Steel. South Perth: Martin, Teakle, Boyd.		

Sth Australia Football League

THURSDAY APRIL 25

SOUTH ADELAIDE	4.4	8.9	12.13	15.19	109
CENTRAL DISTRICT	2.3	4.3	10.6	15.9	99

BEST — South Adelaide: Naley, Heath, McIntyre, Kappler, Brockhurst, Page. **Central District:** Lynn, Hicks, Hocking, Chaplin, Ingerson, Coffee.

GOALS — South Adelaide: McIntyre 4, Stoeckel 2, Cameron 2, Batters, Bennett, Woodlands, Naley, Dillon, Winton. **Central District:** Hicks 5, Coffee 3, Trimbole 2, Handley 2, Platten, Ingerson, Jenkinson.

Played at the WACA Ground. Umpires: Trevor Garrett, Phil O'Reilly. Attendances: 8380.

EAGLES	4.4	6.8	8.10	11.14	80
NORWOOD	3.4	3.6	7.9	9.12	66

BEST — Eagle: Popplestone, Pisani, Foote, Prymke, McCarthy, Maynard. **Norwood:** Payne, Warhurst, Balme, Muster, Sheldrick, Murdoch.

GOALS — Eagles: Popplestone 4, Maynard 2, Haylock, Morphett, Mead, Klemm, McCarthy. **Norwood:** Payne 5, Murdoch, Muster, Balme, Dewhurst.

Played at the WACA Ground. Umpires: Greg Scoop, Sam Kronja. Attendances: 8380.

SATURDAY APRIL 27

PORT ADELAIDE	4.2	7.6	8.10	13.14	92
GLENELG	3.2	4.3	8.7	10.10	70

GOALS — Port Adelaide: Boyd, Settle, Smith 3, Wildman 2, Grimm, Smallridged. **Glenelg:** Deane 3, Russell, Thornborrow 2, Chigindden, Hele, Mansell.

BEST — Port Adelaide: Smallridge, Fellowes, Northeast, Delaney, Williams, Settle, Phillips. **Glenelg:** Hele, Deane, Elias, McKay, Donovan.

Played at Bassendean Oval. Umpires: Grant Vernon, David Johnson. Attendances: 3571.

STURT	4.3	8.5	11.9	18.13	121
WEST ADELAIDE	4.2	8.7	11.12	12.13	85

GOALS — Sturt: Stevenson 5, Graham 3, Gash, Judd, Thredgold 2, Tanyter, Sutterby, Schoell, Bower. **West Adelaide:** Fielke, Lindner, Banfield, Mellor 2, Fitzsimmons, Fogden, Simpson, O'Donohue.

BEST — Sturt: Payne, Judd, Schoell, Bower, Lienert, Butner, Richter, Stevenson. **West Adelaide:** Banfield, Blythe, Fielke, O'Donohue, Lindner.

Played at Princes Park. Umpires: Gavin Dore, David Howlett. Attendances: 29,608.

AFL RESERVES

Geelong 22.21 (153) d Footscray 19.14 (128).
Goals — Geelong: Denham 4, Willis 4, Stacey, Poole, Heffernan 3, Devlin 2, Brown, Darcy, Forssman, Merriman. Footscray: Georgiades 7, Grant 3, Sexton, West, Hogg 2, Wigney, Croft, Stanley.
BEST — Geelong: Denham, Merriman, Schulze, Flanigan, Fossman. Footscray: Georgiades, Croft, Grant, Ross, Hogg, Grgic.
Carlton 26.21 (168) d St Kilda 13.7 (85).
Goals — Carlton: Murphy 5, Matthews 4, Brown, White 3, Herman, Robertson 2, Bassett, Doyle, Sartori, McMaster, Tarczon, Bond, Minton-Connell. St Kilda: Reade 3, Smith, Lowe, Donald 2, Lister, Lambert, Fode, Shanahan.
Sydney Swans 17.14 (116) d N Melbourne 8.13 (61)
Goals — Sydney: Sanson 5, Doolan, Clarkson, Lawson, Miltch, Stanislaus 2, Luff, Mooney. N Melbourne: McDonald, Roberts, Steele 2, Christie, Hamilton.
BEST — Sydney: Clarkson, Doolan, Thrupp, Page, Mooney, Holdsworth, Whittaker. N Melbourne: Dilena, Stevens, Angus.
Collingwood 24.11 (155) d Melbourne 20.14 (134)
Goals — Collingwood: Pascoe 5, Bennett 4, Alexander, Taylor 3, McCartney, Lehmann 2, Monkhorst, Tuddenham, Wrensted, Wright, Tranter. Melbourne: Jakovich 10, Howat, Gorozides 2, Lovell, Bryce, Francis, Stynes, Stocker, Sullivan.
BEST — Collingwood: Wright, McCartney, Tranter, Monkhorst, Anderson, McWatters, Wrensted. Melbourne: Jakovich, Schwarz.
Fitzroy 19.13 (127) d Hawthorn 11.19 (85)
Goals — Fitzroy: Peters 4, Harding 3, Bond, Broderick, May, Strooper 2, Baldwin, Davis, Mahoney, Paxman. Hawthorn: Rioli 3, Abbott, Gowers 2, Kennedy, Fleming, Moloney, Stephens.
BEST — Fitzroy: Lyon, Board, Ironmonger, Baldwin, Wilkinson, Mahoney, Bond. Hawthorn: Nugent, Schwab, Whittlesea, McLeod, Abbott.
Brisbane 26.14 (170) d Essendon 9.11 (65)
Goals — Brisbane: Curran, Schache 8, Martin-Beynon 4, Ogg 3, Taylor 2, McIvor. Essendon: Tranter, Carr 2, Burns, Barrow, Medew, Filandia, Robertson.
BEST — Brisbane: McIvor, Curran, Clarke, Schache, Luhrs, Bell, Phillips, Potter. Essendon: Tranter, Morrish, Fox, Robertson, Ridley.

Metropolitan Football League

ROUND 2

MIDLAND	4.2	7.4	11.10	16.14	110
MANNING	2.1	4.6	7.7	8.10	58
PINJARRA	5.6	10.9	14.13	17.17	119
WAROONA	0.2	1.4	1.8	6.10	46
MOSMAN PARK	7.5	15.8	24.12	29.16	190
SOUTH MANDURAH	2.0	4.5	6.7	10.7	67
MUNDIJONG	4.5	8.10	13.13	19.23	137
COCKBURN	2.3	2.5	6.7	7.8	50
NORTH FREMANTLE	2.3	10.3	12.6	18.12	120
KWINANA	2.3	4.6	9.11	12.14	86



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1991 FOOTBALL FIXTURES

WEST AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE AND WEST COAST EAGLES

SERIES ONE

- Saturday, 6 April 1991 (Round 1)**
 East Fremantle 10.13, Perth 22.14
 East Perth 24.26, South Fremantle 6.9
 Subiaco 21.22, West Perth 18.10
 Swan Districts 14.17, Claremont 13.14
- Saturday, 13 April 1991 (Round 2)**
 Claremont 19.18, Subiaco 10.10
 Perth 21.9, Swan Districts 12.18
 South Fremantle 22.15, East Fremantle 16.9
 West Perth 13.8, East Perth 22.18

- Friday, 19 April 1991 (Round 3)**
 West Perth 8.17, Claremont 10.21
 (WACA)
- Saturday, 20 April 1991**
 East Fremantle 14.15, Subiaco 22.23
 East Perth 12.14, Swan Districts 16.11
 Perth 17.15, South Fremantle 15.19

- Thursday, 25 April 1991 (Round 4)**
 East Fremantle 16.14, West Perth 25.19
 (WACA)
- Saturday, 27 April 1991**
 Claremont 17.16, Perth 13.6
 Swan Dist 13.12, South Fremantle 25.14

- Friday, 3 May 1991 (Round 5)**
 East Perth Vs East Fremantle (WACA)
- Saturday, 4 May 1991**
 South Fremantle Vs Claremont
 Subiaco Vs Perth
 West Perth Vs Swan Districts

- Saturday, 11 May 1991 (Round 6)**
 Claremont Vs East Fremantle
 Perth Vs East Perth
 South Fremantle Vs West Perth
 Swan Districts Vs Subiaco

- Saturday, 18 May 1991 (Round 7)**
 East Fremantle Vs Swan Districts
 East Perth Vs Claremont
 Subiaco Vs South Fremantle
 West Perth Vs Perth

SERIES TWO

- Saturday, 25 May 1991 (Round 8)**
 Claremont Vs Swan Districts
 Perth Vs East Fremantle
 South Fremantle Vs East Perth
 West Perth Vs Subiaco
- Saturday, 1 June 1991 (Round 9)**
 East Perth Vs West Perth
 Subiaco Vs Claremont

- Monday, 3 June 1991**
 East Fremantle Vs South Fremantle
 Swan Districts Vs Perth
- Saturday, 8 June 1991 (Round 10)**
 Claremont Vs West Perth
 South Fremantle Vs Perth
 Subiaco Vs East Fremantle
 Swan Districts Vs East Perth

- STATE GAME: Tuesday, June 11 - Subiaco Oval.**
 Western Australia Vs South Australia
- Saturday, 15 June 1991 (Round 11)**
 East Perth Vs Subiaco
 Perth Vs Claremont
 South Fremantle Vs Swan Districts
 West Perth Vs East Fremantle

- Saturday, 22 June 1991 (Round 12)**
 Claremont Vs South Fremantle
 East Fremantle Vs East Perth
 Perth Vs Subiaco
 Swan Districts Vs West Perth

- Saturday, 29 June 1991 (Round 13)**
 East Fremantle Vs Claremont
 East Perth Vs Perth
 Subiaco Vs Swan Districts
 West Perth Vs South Fremantle

- Saturday, 6 July 1991 (Round 14)**
 Perth Vs West Perth (John Dunn Oval, Kelmscott)
 Claremont Vs East Perth
 South Fremantle Vs Subiaco
 Swan Districts Vs East Fremantle

- STATE GAME: Tuesday, July 16 - WACA.**
 Western Australia Vs Victoria State of Origin

SERIES THREE

- Saturday, 13 July 1991 (Round 15)**
 East Fremantle Vs Perth
 East Perth Vs South Fremantle
 Subiaco Vs West Perth
 Swan Districts Vs Claremont
- Saturday, 20 July 1991 (Round 16)**
 Claremont Vs Subiaco
 Perth Vs Swan Districts
 South Fremantle Vs East Fremantle
 West Perth Vs East Perth
 (Kingsway Res. Wanneroo)

- Saturday, 27 July 1991 (Round 17)**
 East Fremantle Vs Subiaco
 East Perth Vs Swan Districts
 Perth Vs South Fremantle
 West Perth Vs Claremont

- Saturday, 3 August 1991 (Round 18)**
 Claremont Vs Perth
 East Fremantle Vs West Perth
 Subiaco Vs East Perth
 Swan Districts Vs South Fremantle

- Saturday, 10 August 1991 (Round 19)**
 East Perth Vs East Fremantle
 South Fremantle Vs Claremont
 Subiaco Vs Perth
 West Perth Vs Swan Districts

- Saturday, 17 August 1991 (Round 20)**
 Claremont Vs East Fremantle
 Perth Vs East Perth
 South Fremantle Vs West Perth
 Swan Districts Vs Subiaco

- Saturday, 24 August 1991 (Round 21)**
 East Fremantle Vs Swan Districts
 East Perth Vs Claremont
 Subiaco Vs South Fremantle
 West Perth Vs Perth

- SATURDAY, 30 AUGUST 1991 (Round 22)**
 East Fremantle Vs Perth
 East Perth Vs South Fremantle
 Perth Vs Subiaco
 Swan Districts Vs West Perth

- SATURDAY, 6 SEPTEMBER 1991 (Round 23)**
 East Fremantle Vs Perth
 East Perth Vs South Fremantle
 Perth Vs Subiaco
 Swan Districts Vs West Perth

- SATURDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER 1991 (Round 24)**
 East Fremantle Vs Perth
 East Perth Vs South Fremantle
 Perth Vs Subiaco
 Swan Districts Vs West Perth

- SATURDAY, 20 SEPTEMBER 1991 (Round 25)**
 East Fremantle Vs Perth
 East Perth Vs South Fremantle
 Perth Vs Subiaco
 Swan Districts Vs West Perth

- SATURDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER 1991 (Round 26)**
 East Fremantle Vs Perth
 East Perth Vs South Fremantle
 Perth Vs Subiaco
 Swan Districts Vs West Perth

- SATURDAY, 4 OCTOBER 1991 (Round 27)**
 East Fremantle Vs Perth
 East Perth Vs South Fremantle
 Perth Vs Subiaco
 Swan Districts Vs West Perth

- SATURDAY, 11 OCTOBER 1991 (Round 28)**
 East Fremantle Vs Perth
 East Perth Vs South Fremantle
 Perth Vs Subiaco
 Swan Districts Vs West Perth

- SATURDAY, 18 OCTOBER 1991 (Round 29)**
 East Fremantle Vs Perth
 East Perth Vs South Fremantle
 Perth Vs Subiaco
 Swan Districts Vs West Perth

- SATURDAY, 25 OCTOBER 1991 (Round 30)**
 East Fremantle Vs Perth
 East Perth Vs South Fremantle
 Perth Vs Subiaco
 Swan Districts Vs West Perth

- SATURDAY, 1 NOVEMBER 1991 (Round 31)**
 East Fremantle Vs Perth
 East Perth Vs South Fremantle
 Perth Vs Subiaco
 Swan Districts Vs West Perth

- SATURDAY, 8 NOVEMBER 1991 (Round 32)**
 East Fremantle Vs Perth
 East Perth Vs South Fremantle
 Perth Vs Subiaco
 Swan Districts Vs West Perth

- SATURDAY, 15 NOVEMBER 1991 (Round 33)**
 East Fremantle Vs Perth
 East Perth Vs South Fremantle
 Perth Vs Subiaco
 Swan Districts Vs West Perth

- SATURDAY, 22 NOVEMBER 1991 (Round 34)**
 East Fremantle Vs Perth
 East Perth Vs South Fremantle
 Perth Vs Subiaco
 Swan Districts Vs West Perth

- SATURDAY, 29 NOVEMBER 1991 (Round 35)**
 East Fremantle Vs Perth
 East Perth Vs South Fremantle
 Perth Vs Subiaco
 Swan Districts Vs West Perth

- SATURDAY, 6 DECEMBER 1991 (Round 36)**
 East Fremantle Vs Perth
 East Perth Vs South Fremantle
 Perth Vs Subiaco
 Swan Districts Vs West Perth

- SATURDAY, 13 DECEMBER 1991 (Round 37)**
 East Fremantle Vs Perth
 East Perth Vs South Fremantle
 Perth Vs Subiaco
 Swan Districts Vs West Perth

- SATURDAY, 20 DECEMBER 1991 (Round 38)**
 East Fremantle Vs Perth
 East Perth Vs South Fremantle
 Perth Vs Subiaco
 Swan Districts Vs West Perth

- SATURDAY, 27 DECEMBER 1991 (Round 39)**
 East Fremantle Vs Perth
 East Perth Vs South Fremantle
 Perth Vs Subiaco
 Swan Districts Vs West Perth

AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	For	Agst	%	Pts	Ratio
WEST COAST	5	5	0	0	575	287	200.35	20	100
ESSENDON	5	5	0	0	647	463	139.74	20	100
GEELONG	5	4	0	1	621	452	137.39	16	80.00
MELBOURNE	6	4	0	2	795	601	132.28	16	66.57
HAWTHORN	5	3	0	2	709	501	141.52	12	60.00
CARLTON	5	3	0	2	493	461	106.94	12	60.00
COLLINGWOOD	6	3	1	2	607	519	116.96	14	58.33
ADELAIDE	6	3	0	3	608	600	101.33	12	50.00
ST KILDA	5	2	1	2	519	545	95.23	10	50.00
NTH MELBOURNE	5	2	0	3	553	688	82.23	8	40.00
FOOTSCRAY	5	2	0	3	465	588	79.08	8	40.00
RICHMOND	5	1	0	4	510	609	83.74	4	20.00
SYDNEY SWANS	5	1	0	4	611	774	78.94	4	20.00
BRISBANE BEARS	5	0	0	5	392	650	60.31	0	—
FITZROY	5	0	0	5	360	747	48.19	0	—

PEPSI CUP LADDER

	P	W	L	For	Agst	Pts	%
EAST PTH	4	3	1	507	309	12	164.08
CLAREMONT	4	3	1	423	320	12	132.19
PERTH	4	3	1	482	390	12	123.59
SUBIACO	4	2	2	444	450	8	98.67
STH FREM	4	2	2	465	482	8	96.47
SWAN DIST	4	2	2	388	477	8	81.34
West Pth	4	1	3	438	489	4	89.57
East Frem	4	0	4	387	617	0	62.72

PEPSI RESERVES

	P	W	L	For	Agst	Pts	%
PERTH	4	4	0	548	260	16	210.77
SUBIACO	4	3	1	455	363	12	125.34
EAST PTH	4	2	2	487	341	8	142.81
SWAN DIST	4	2	2	367	396	8	92.68
STH FREM	4	2	2	360	407	8	88.45
Claremont	4	1	3	316	419	4	75.42
West Pth	4	1	3	449	484	4	70.94
East Frem	4	1	3	385	587	4	65.59

PEPSI COLTS

	P	W	D	L	For	Agst	Pts	%
WEST PTH	4	4	0	0	416	265	16	156.98
SWAN DIST	4	4	0	0	435	280	16	155.36
SUBIACO	4	3	1	0	345	250	12	138.00
EAST FREM	4	3	1	0	246	320	8	76.87
EAST PTH	4	1	3	0	300	372	4	80.64
Stn Frem	4	1	3	0	281	327	2	65.53
Perth	4	0	1	3	263	324	2	81.17
Claremont	3	0	3	0	163	322	0	50.62

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN LEAGUE LADDER

	P	W	L	For	Agst	Pts	%
EAGLES	5	5	0	544	381	10	58.81
NORTH ADELAIDE	5	4	1	662	458	8	52.62
PORT ADELAIDE	6	4	2	539	516	8	51.09
SOUTH ADELAIDE	6	3	3	780	659	6	54.20
GLENELG	5	3	2	562	535	6	51.23
Central District	5	2	3	482	448	4	51.83
Sturt	5	1	4	464	639	2	42.07
West Adelaide	6	1	5	479	686	2	41.12
Norwood	5	1	4	418	608	2	40.74

SANFL GAMES

This week's South Australian fixtures are:

ROUND 7
Sunday, May 5
 Norwood v Sturt (F/Park)
 South v Port (Adelaide)
 Central v Glenelg (Elizabeth)
 North v Eagles (Prospect)
Bye: West

ROUND 8
Saturday, May 11
 Eagles v Glenelg (F/Park)
 Sturt v North (Adelaide)
 Norwood v Central (Norwood)
 West v South (Richmond)
Bye: Port



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AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE

<p>ROUND 1</p> <p>March 22, Friday Adelaide 24.11, Hawthorn 9.15 March 23, Saturday St Kilda 16.11, Richmond 12.10 (P) March 24, Sunday Footscray 11.10, Collingwood 21.10 (P) Eagles 14.15, Melbourne 2.8</p>				<p>ROUND 20</p> <p>August 3, Saturday Hawthorn v Footscray (P) Nth Melbourne v Melbourne Carlton v Geelong Essendon v Sydney Swans Bris Bears v Collingwood (C) August 4, Sunday Adelaide v W.C. Eagles Richmond v Fitzroy Bye: St. Kilda</p>
<p>ROUND 2</p> <p>March 30, Saturday Collingwood 8.10, Eagles 13.7 (P) Fitzroy 6.13, Melbourne 27.18 Brisbane Bears 8.10, North Melbourne 15.14 March 31, Sunday Adelaide 12.9, Carlton 15.14 Hawthorn 25.16, Sydney 10.15 Richmond 17.7, Essendon 15.17 Geelong 18.22, St Kilda 16.8 Bye: Footscray</p>	<p>ROUND 8</p> <p>May 11, Saturday Hawthorn v Carlton (P) Fitzroy v Sydney Swans Melbourne v Footscray Geelong v Nth Melbourne Essendon v W.C. Eagles May 12, Sunday Bris Bears v St. Kilda (G) Richmond v Collingwood Bye: Adelaide</p>	<p>ROUND 14</p> <p>June 21, Friday Richmond v Nth Melbourne June 22, Saturday Melbourne v Hawthorn (P) Essendon v Fitzroy Collingwood v Sydney Swans St Kilda v Footscray Carlton v W.C. Eagles June 23, Sunday Adelaide v Bris Bears Bye: Geelong</p>	<p>ROUND 21</p> <p>August 9, Friday W.C. Eagles v Geelong August 10, Saturday St. Kilda v Carlton (P) Footscray v Adelaide Essendon v Bris Bears Hawthorn v Fitzroy Melbourne v Collingwood August 11, Sunday Sydney Swans v Nth Melbourne Bye: Richmond</p>	
<p>ROUND 3</p> <p>April 6, Saturday Hawthorn 20.16, Richmond 11.13 (P) Carlton 18.19, Brisbane Bears 9.16 Collingwood 16.21, Fitzroy 8.10 Nth Melbourne 13.16, Essendon 25.17 April 7, Sunday Sydney Swans 15.18, Adelaide 19.18 Footscray 10.8, Geelong 15.27 Melbourne 21.19, St Kilda 24.10 Bye: Eagles</p>	<p>ROUND 9</p> <p>May 17, Friday Nth Melbourne v Adelaide May 18, Saturday Hawthorn v Essendon (P) Carlton v Richmond Collingwood v Geelong Footscray v Bris Bears May 19, Sunday Sydney Swans v St. Kilda W.C. Eagles v Fitzroy Bye: Melbourne</p>	<p>ROUND 15</p> <p>June 28, Friday Nth Melbourne v Hawthorn June 29, Saturday Geelong v Richmond (P) Collingwood v Adelaide Fitzroy v Carlton Sydney Swans v Melbourne W.C. Eagles v St. Kilda Bye: Bris Bears</p>	<p>ROUND 22</p> <p>August 16, Friday Adelaide v St. Kilda August 17, Saturday Carlton v Essendon (P) Fitzroy v Nth Melbourne Geelong v Sydney Swans Richmond v Footscray August 18, Sunday Bris Bears v Melbourne (G) W.C. Eagles v Hawthorn Bye: Collingwood</p>	
<p>ROUND 4</p> <p>April 12, Friday Eagles 18.19, Nth Melbourne 8.7 April 13, Saturday Melbourne 23.17, Carlton 17.8 Richmond 19.13, Sydney Swans 24.20 Essendon 12.20, Adelaide 6.11 St Kilda 13.16, Collingwood 13.16 Fitzroy 12.18, Footscray 15.16 April 14, Sunday Brisbane Bears 12.16, Geelong 27.28 Bye: Hawthorn</p>	<p>ROUND 10</p> <p>May 24, Friday Adelaide v Melbourne May 25, Saturday Collingwood v Hawthorn (P) St. Kilda v Essendon Fitzroy v Geelong Nth Melbourne v Footscray May 26, Sunday Bris Bears v Richmond (C) W.C. Eagles v Sydney Swans Bye: Carlton</p>	<p>ROUND 16</p> <p>July 6, Saturday Hawthorn v Adelaide (P) Carlton v Nth Melbourne Collingwood v Footscray Melbourne v W.C. Eagles July 7, Sunday Bris Bears v Fitzroy (G) Richmond v St. Kilda Geelong v Essendon Bye: Sydney Swans</p>	<p>ROUND 23</p> <p>August 23, Friday Sydney Swans v Fitzroy August 24, Saturday Nth Melbourne v Geelong (P) Carlton v Hawthorn St. Kilda v Bris Bears Collingwood v Richmond August 25, Sunday W.C. Eagles v Essendon Footscray v Melbourne Bye: Adelaide</p>	
<p>ROUND 5</p> <p>April 19, Friday Sydney Swans 19.16, Essendon 24.17 April 20, Saturday Footscray 17.16, Hawthorn 16.11(P) Collingwood 16.19, Brisbane Bears 14.9 Fitzroy 12.17, Richmond 16.17 Melbourne 28.14, North Melbourne 17.10 April 21, Sunday Eagles 19.16, Adelaide 9.11 Geelong 13.17, Carlton 8.10 Bye: St Kilda</p>	<p>ROUND 11</p> <p>June 1, Saturday Richmond v W.C. Eagles (P) Nth Melbourne v Collingwood Hawthorn v St. Kilda Essendon v Melbourne Geelong v Adelaide June 2, Sunday Sydney Swans v Bris Bears Footscray v Carlton Bye: Fitzroy</p>	<p>ROUND 17</p> <p>July 12, Friday W.C. Eagles v Collingwood July 13, Saturday Nth Melbourne v Bris Bears (P) Melbourne v Fitzroy St. Kilda v Geelong Essendon v Richmond Carlton v Adelaide July 14, Sunday Sydney Swans v Hawthorn Bye: Footscray</p>	<p>ROUND 24</p> <p>August 31, Saturday Essendon v Hawthorn (P) Richmond v Carlton Fitzroy v W.C. Eagles Geelong v Collingwood St. Kilda v Sydney Swans Bris Bears v Footscray (C) September 1, Sunday Adelaide v Nth Melbourne Bye: Melbourne</p>	
<p>ROUND 6</p> <p>April 25, Thursday Collingwood 10.17, Melbourne 17.11(P) North Melbourne 27.26, Sydney Swans 21.8 April 27, Saturday Geelong 13.11, Eagles 19.20(P) Carlton 13.16, St Kilda 7.18 Brisbane Bears 12.11, Essendon 16.18 April 28, Sunday Fitzroy 11.8, Hawthorn 36.15 Adelaide 19.14, Footscray 14.13 Bye: Richmond</p>	<p>ROUND 12</</p>			



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Forget about the fact that the Eagles are perched at the top of the AFL premiership ladder, the signs for the Adelaide Crows, Sydney Swans and Brisbane Bears are also encouraging.

A glance at the AFL premiership table might suggest otherwise, with Sydney and Brisbane occupying 13th and 14th positions and Adelaide 10th. But they are on the right track.

SURVIVAL

The success of the teams outside Melbourne is imperative for the long-term survival of the national competition.

When the Brisbane Bears were formed for the start of the 1987 season, they didn't have the advantages that the Eagles held, with the Perth-based club having a powerful domestic competition from which to draw players.

With their domestic competition



by **Gary Stocks**
of The West Australian

falling short of the WAFL, the Bears were forced to recruit most of their talent from a pool of players made available from other clubs. In other words, rejects.

Though there were a couple of handy pick-ups, most of the players de-listed by the Melbourne teams were in the twilight of their careers.

The difficult task for the Bears was to find a happy medium between youth and experience, because they needed immediate success to crack the strangle-hold rugby league has in their State.

Just the same, they could have been questioned for their recruiting strategy on a couple of occasions in the national draft, but now they seem to be moving down the right path.

After juggling their coaches around in the first four years, with Peter Knights, Paul Feltham and Norm Dare

all being given an opportunity, they should now appoint Robert Walls for about five years and get some long-term planning together.

When planning for success, it is always a good idea to copy the blue-print of a club that has been the trend-setter and Hawthorn have certainly been the bench-mark in the last decade.

COMPETITIVE

The Sydney Swans, after a couple of seasons of appearing to lack direction, have decided to base their faith in young talent and they have been extremely competitive this season.

At the end of this season, the AFL will have a pool of under-19s players who have been discarded by other clubs and the Bears and Sydney should be given priority choices out of that group.

Large numbers will be available because the under-19s competition will be disbanded come the end of the season.

Adelaide have taken a little time to feel their way, much the same as the Eagles did in the first season and they will probably improve each week.

At least they have a vibrant local competition from which to draw players and they are protected by a clearance moratorium next year.

Pepsi Cup

This week's WAFL fixtures are as follows:

Round 5

Friday, May 3

East Perth vs East Fremantle
at the WACA Ground
(broadcast by 6NR, 6PR and 6WF)

Saturday, May 4

South Fremantle vs Claremont,
at Fremantle Oval
(broadcast by 6NR)

Subiaco vs Perth,

at Subiaco Oval (broadcast by 6PR)

West Perth vs Swan Districts,

at Leederville Oval (broadcast by 6WF)

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All eyes are skywards as two of the game's most exciting young players feature in a tough ruck duel at the WACA Ground last Thursday. Subiaco's Matthew Burton and East Perth's Ryan Turnbull, both members of the West Coast Eagles squad, were locked in fierce contest on a day that the Royals big man emerged triumphant.



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