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DERBY DAY ... there were many mixed emotions when the Foundation Day derby marked 100 years of football at Fremantle Oval. The victory spoils went to East Fremantle (above) but football was the big winner with more than 15,000 fans at the ground ... and didn't they love the curtain-raiser featuring many Fremantle legends. That's Brownlow Medallist Brad Hardie getting mixed up with East Fremantle's Shane Ellis, while Peter LeCras seems a bit rusty on the tackling technique as he put Bulldogs goalkicker Ray Bauskis under pressure — with the ball well out of reach

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Freo's new man

THE new Fremantle club has tapped into a source that has provided some outstanding contributors to the AFL arena — the Subiaco Football Club.

The Fremantle side has announced that former Lions player Bruce Mannion will start as their marketing manager on July 1.

Currently working in the marketing division of Hawthorn, Mannion has an extensive background in baseball administration, serving as executive director of the Victorian Baseball Association and general manager of the Melbourne Monarchs, in the ABL.

"We are delighted to have somebody of Bruce's capacity and experience," says Fremantle chief executive David Hatt.

"It is vital for our club to begin work on obtaining sponsorship and to encourage membership as soon as possible."

Fitness levels

THE comparison of fitness levels and training schedules of WAFL and AFL players always makes for interesting debate.

Subiaco coach Tony Solin believes that the fitness level of the West Coast squad members who are released back to the Lions is similar to the Subiaco players.

"I see more of the Subiaco players than the Eagles squad members, as we only have them for just over two hours on a weekend for a WAFL game," he says.

"I think our players at Subiaco are just as fit as the blokes who come back from the Eagles."

Seven regular Lions are West Coast squad members, plus premiership Eagle Karl Langdon, Tony Godden and supplementary player David Snow.

Pics on display



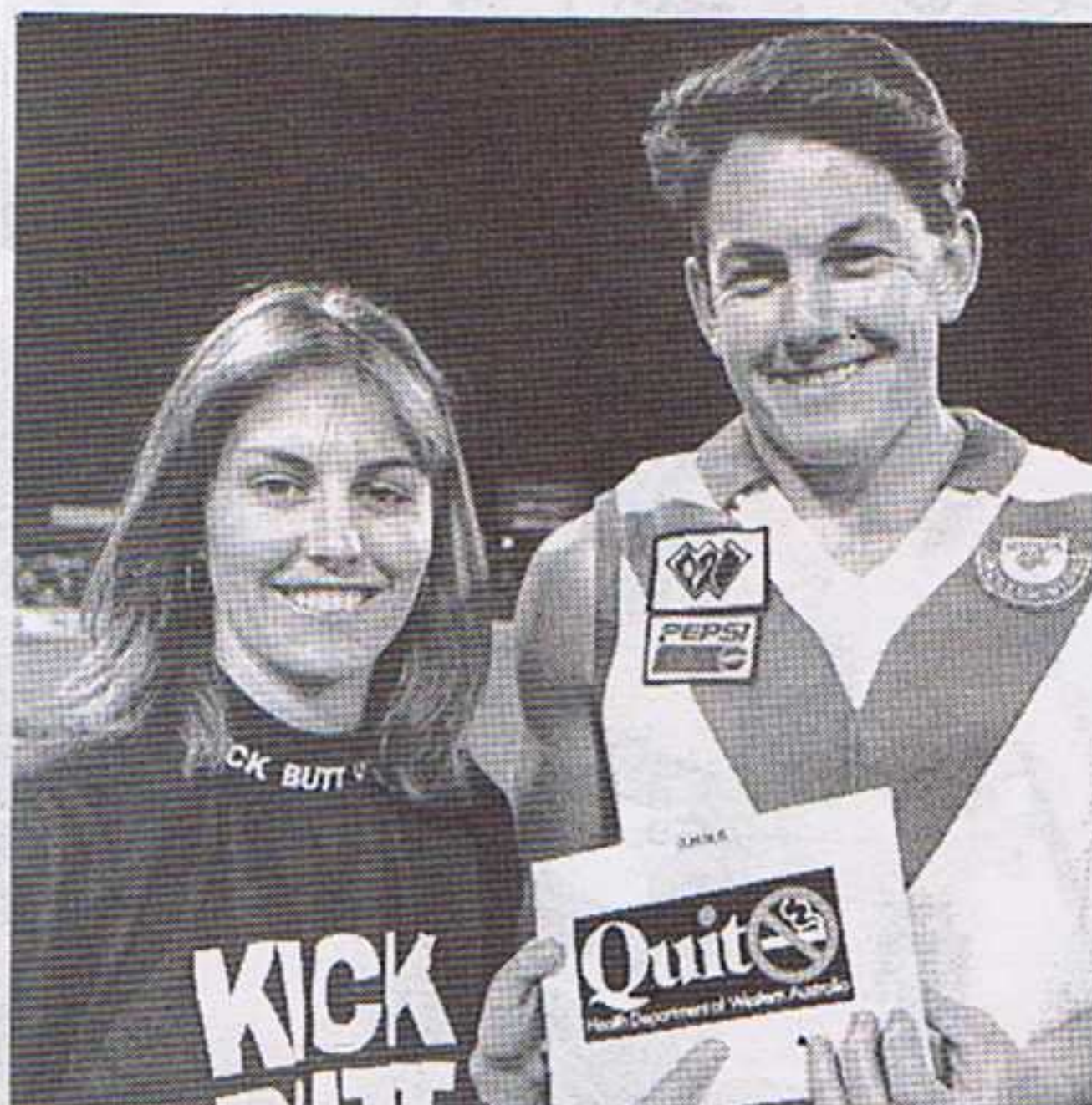
TOP SHOTS . . . looking at the GIO Pictorial Display are (from left) Ross Luckman, of the FDT, Eagles ace Ryan Turnbull and WAFL general manager Trevor Howard

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Butt-kicking pays off



TOP KICK . . . Bulldogs colt Shane McKewan receives his Kick Butt reward from Quit's Sharon Davidson

SOUTH Fremantle colts player Shane McKewan earned his club \$1000 worth of Nordic Healthcare gymnasium equipment with his ability to "Kick Butt" recently.

The talented big man won the inaugural Quit Campaign's Kick Butt Challenge when he out-kicked rivals from the Pepsi Cup colts sides, proving to be the most accurate kick over 50-metres.

The Kick Butt campaign has been endorsed by leading Eagles Glen Jakovich and Dean Kemp and McKewan was more than happy about his victory at a recent West Coast match because he has his sights set on reaching AFL level.

"Playing in the AFL is my goal and it was a real buzz to win that kicking competition in front of such a big crowd," said McKewan.

Jakovich, joint Eagles club champion last year, has supported the Kick Butt campaign.

"I couldn't perform at my peak on the footy field if I smoked," said Jakovich.

Cummings on target

FORMER Swan Districts goal-kicking ace Scott Cummings is pushing hard for a try-out in the Essendon seniors.

The Bombers reserves side currently sits second on the Victorian State ladder and Cummings has played a big part in many of their wins, including last week's 102-point demolition of Richmond.

Cummings posted 12 goals and it's easy to see why Bombers coach Kevin Sheedy said recently that he was pleased with the way the former WA player is coming on.

Loewe speaks out

INJURED St Kilda forward Stewart Loewe made a frank and potentially dangerous statement regarding the much-maligned Waverley Park, the Saints home of the past two seasons.

Speaking to a reporter from the glossy "Inside Sport" magazine, Loewe was quoted as saying:

"We all hate Waverley and would love to play back at Moorabbin, there's no doubt about that," Loewe said.

"There's no atmosphere, the surface is pretty dodgy and there's just no comparison with the "animal enclosure" at Moorabbin."

Milestone for Todd

JOHN Todd has more than made his mark at Bassendean Oval, with four premierships marking him the club's most successful coach.

He's quickly adding some more records to the book with Saturday's victory over East Perth being his 200th success with the Bassendean boys — a fair percentage of the 351 victories Swans have achieved in their 60-year history.

Todd's win/loss record is most impressive with 200 victories from 511 matches . . . and when you recall that he won just three games when he first switched to Bassendean Oval from East Fremantle in 1977.

Todd managed just four wins the next season and there were plenty of calls to have him replaced, but president John Cooper was having none of that.

The Swans march towards this year's Pepsi Cup finals series is an impressive one, over-shadowed by Claremont of course, but the forces being marshalled at Bassendean are formidable.

Todd says the team still hasn't settled down and he's forced to make five or six changes every week.

"People don't realise we are losing personnel every week and we've called on a few guys who haven't played a lot of footy," said Todd.

Swans had two second-gamers — with both Christian Kelly and Bernard Carney earning best-player acknowledgements — and nine players aged 21 years or under in the side that beat East Perth.

Schoolboy memories

THERE were plenty of school day football antics recalled when a couple of East Perth veterans got together recently with their first coach.

Former Royals champions Frank Allen and Frank Sparrow were joined by Ron Criddle (from Kalgoorlie) and Johnny Quinn to form a reception party for their first coach, Les Piper, on visit to WA from Victoria.

Piper coached the quartet at the old Inglewood Primary School (now Mt Lawley) in Second Avenue, Inglewood — where Allen, beaten for the 1950 Sandover Medal on a comeback by Jim Conway, was captain of the school's unbeaten 1939 side.

Piper, who played amateur football with Inglewood in his younger days, caught up with a lot of his former pupils, including renowned football photographer Todge Campbell, who was pleased to be part of the reunion at the Hyde Park Hotel.

Safety first urged

COLLINGWOOD veteran Tony Shaw has urged the AFL to ensure better safety for players when they are leaving the arena.

Writing in his weekly column in Melbourne's Sunday Herald-Sun, Shaw made some poignant comments about a confrontation between giant Magpie ruckman Damian Monkhorst and a North Melbourne spectator recently.

"Most would agree that only a mug would take on 203cm Damian Monkhorst, but when the grog's in . . . the brain's out," Shaw lamented.

"The bloke who fronted Monkie was much smaller than the Pies big man. But what if someone bigger shaped up after a grand final and had even more alcohol on board?"

"There is no way that any player should be subjected to this abuse and threat of physical assault."

"The AFL should act now to ensure players have the shortest possible walking distance off the ground by securing areas adjoining their respective rooms."

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THE West Coast Eagles are awesome.

At the recent Hawthorn breakfast, I made the statement that this Eagles side was the best club team to have played — and that afternoon Hawthorn belted them.

That was the biggest shock I've had in football — not the beating, but the manner of it.

It won't happen again.

I'm not saying they won't lose another game — they probably will — but it will take injuries to vital players to bring them unstuck.

Realistically, we are yet to see what the loss of Glen Jakovich would do to them.

But all that aside, when you look at their performance on Sunday against a competitive unit like Melbourne, as a team, they are amazing.

Coach Mick Malthouse will probably cringe with horror when he reads this, but their skill level, commitment, organisation, physical preparation (other sides look puny compared to them), game plan and their confidence in it and each other, almost border on arrogance.

Many critics say they played their best football early in 1991 when they strung together those memorable 12 wins, but if it was possible to play this side against that one, the current line-up would be a five-goal more efficient unit.

That is their key — efficiency.

Eagles are nearly perfect

It was almost like watching two different skill levels in the Melbourne game.

There was hardly a turnover by the Eagles and Ashley McIntosh and Chris Lewis certainly were on the end of much better ball usage than their Melbourne counterparts.

I'm full of admiration for the abilities of Lewis and McIntosh to mark under pressure and their desire to present themselves.

It's difficult to imagine how this side could be improved.

They are magnificently led, both on and off the ground and the genuine leadership qualities of John Worsfold and Michael Brennan are without peer.

The Eagles probably copped a fine for playing Dean Kemp, but his talent is the icing on the cake. And you can bet your bottom dollar they will keep him in cotton wool for major occasions.

The thing I most like about the Eagles is that they always seem to have somebody to put up their hand when

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the going gets tough, like when Sydney threatened them the week before.

Up popped Chris Waterman, on came David Hart, Worsfold kicked a goal and the sweeper, Guy McKenna, set the wheels in motion.

Book your accommodation and I'll see you all at Young and Jacksons, opposite the Flinders Street railway station, to enjoy ourselves at the Victorian's expense on that Saturday night in October this year.

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Well done Dollar (Darrell Panizza) for your display of club loyalty after the disappointment at Claremont.

We all know you are a great player, but believe me, you are an even better bloke and one day, your hand will go up as a coach.



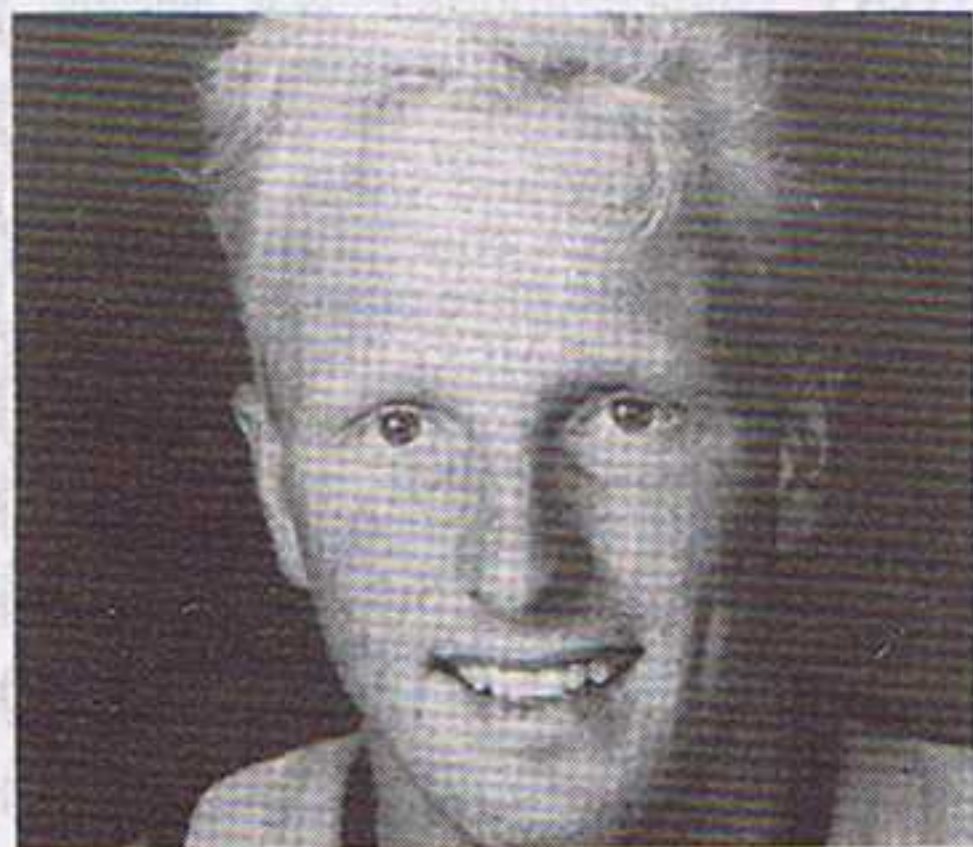
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Boris back to basics



COMEBACK KID... Karl Langdon was just happy to scrape through a match

KARL Langdon's personal statistician was in no danger of contracting RSI by the end of the colourful Eagles comeback game.

Three kicks, two marks and one hand-pass for one goal — all in the final quarter — were not about to put "Boris" among the vote-getters.

But Langdon achieved his pre-match goal — to get through four quarters of hard football for the first time since the 1992 premiership and he certainly improved as the game unfolded.

"It's been a long time," Langdon said after his encouraging return against Melbourne last Sunday at the MCG.

"My first aim was to get back into the

side and then get through a game without getting hurt.

"I've done that. Although I didn't get a full game, it's just great to walk off the ground with my body parts intact.

"It takes a bit of time to adjust to the tempo.

"When I first went on, I didn't get a chance. We had too many talls in our forward line and I had to come off, which is part of the game.

"When I got my opportunity I worked up and could feel the adrenalin pumping."

A series of injuries, most notably a troublesome knee and suspension had restricted Langdon's match time.

He played in two lead-up games with Subiaco before being called up.

"We do have a lot of young players back in the WAFL and it is really a breeding ground for AFL football.

"It is hard to get a kick back there.

"You have to do a lot more hard work and a lot of run yourself, turn and kick yourself because you don't have that many blokes running past."

Langdon warned against under-estimating Brisbane in this Sunday's match at Subiaco Oval, in the wake of stirring Bears wins over North Melbourne at the Gabba and Geelong at Kardinia Park.

"They are cherry ripe to come over and knock the West Coast off because we've won five in a row, so if our guard isn't up, we'll get knocked over," he said.

"They've improved on every line. They've recruited well, they've added Alastair Lynch and Andrew Bews, a few little tough guys around the clinches and guys like Craig Lambert, who are football carriers.

"They've certainly got extra focal points up forward... Roger Merrett had been doing it there by himself for far too long."

Lockett on shopping list

THE imposing figure of Tony Lockett could be a target for the new Fremantle AFL team.

The volatile St Kilda spearhead, who comes out of contract at the end of this season, is serving an eight-week suspension for striking Sydney defender Peter

Caven with his elbow.

During his enforced lay-off, Lockett (28) has announced his intention to continue with the Saints and achieve his dream of kicking 1000 goals with the club he made his debut for as a 17-year-old in 1983. He has 861.

But Lockett has not re-signed with St Kilda and may not have a choice on where his football future lies.

The Saints are believed to be fed up with his lack of discipline and injury-prone nature.

"We have made no approach to Lockett or his manager and haven't spoken to St Kilda," Fremantle chief executive David Hatt said.

"But if Lockett is out of contract at the end of this season, he would be a player that we would look at.

"Being such an outstanding player, it would be logical that other players also would be attracted."

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100 GAMES

- 98 Peter Worsfold (South Frem)*
- 98 Ryan Turnbull (Eagles)*
- 98 Mark Brayshaw (Claremont)
- 97 Peter Wilson (East Frem)
- 97 Brendon Retzlaff (Swan Dist)*
- 96 Dean Kemp (Eagles)
- 95 Troy Ugle (Swan Dist)
- 95 Bill Monaghan (Subiaco)
- 94 Karl Langdon (Eagles)

* Denotes that tally includes games with more than one club as follows: Peter Worsfold 67 South Fremantle, 31 Brisbane; Brendon Retzlaff 79 Swan Districts, 15 Brisbane, 3 Eagles; Ryan Turnbull 54 East Perth, 21 Eagles, 23 Claremont.

150 GAMES

- 149 Michael Brennan (Eagles)
- 149 Adrian Barich (Perth)
- 148 Richard Dennis (West Perth)*
- 147 Chris Mainwaring (Eagles)
- 147 John Worsfold (Eagles)
- 146 Warren Nicholas (Perth)

* Denotes that tally includes games with more than one club as follows: Richard Dennis 70 East Perth, 57 Carlton, 13 North Melbourne, 8 West Perth

200 GAMES

- 198 Chris Mainwaring (Eagles)*
- 196 Adrian Barich (Perth)*

* Denotes that tally includes games with more than one club as follows: Chris Mainwaring 147 Eagles, 51 East Fremantle; Adrian Barich 149 Perth, 47 Eagles.

300 GAMES

- 290 Dwayne Lamb (Eagles/Subiaco)*
- 284 Steve Malaxos (East Frem)*

* Denotes that tally includes games with more than one club as follows: Dwayne Lamb 150 Eagles, 140 Subiaco; Steve Malaxos 58 East Fremantle, 66 Eagles, 9 Hawthorn, 151 Claremont.

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Memo to Bruce Mannion

Port side must sell space wisely

IT IS essential the WA Football Commission establishes some vital ground rules with Fremantle's marketing arm now in full swing.

The sale of Subiaco Oval to the public and corporate world should become a priority after the appointment of Bruce Mannion as Fremantle's marketing manager.

It has been mooted that Fremantle may play most of their games at the WACA Ground, but the Eagles and their newest AFL relation seem certain to share games at football's traditional headquarters.

A joint marketing strategy is essential with available signage sights and hospitality facilities divided equally between the Eagles and Fremantle and sold for all fixtures at the ground.

This would ensure that signwriters and contract ground staff do not get rich at the expense of football, a situation that would occur if signs had to be changed each week.

If one of the clubs is unable to sell all their allocated signs or boxes, they can be re-sold to the other club.

This happened when Hawthorn and St Kilda moved to Waverley Park.

BIG LOSSES

Unfortunately, both the Hawks and Fitzroy lost considerable money trying to establish themselves at Carlton's Princes Park and Mannion will be well aware of the mistakes that can be made.

Fitzroy's marketing marriage to Footscray at the Western Oval, while originally rocky, has become more settled.

One aspect that Fremantle will have to overcome is the problem of conflicting sponsors such as Ford versus Nissan, Telecom versus Optus, GIO versus SGIO.

The Swan Brewery is a major sponsor of both teams and the WA Football Commission, so it would not surprise to see prominent Emu Export livery on display despite Carlton and United Brewery's sponsorship of the AFL.

SOUTH Fremantle should be congratulated on their organisation of last Monday's celebratory derby.

A band of volunteers on the Bulldogs board, headed by president Rick Gloede and general manager Brian Ciccotosto, put in many hours to arrange the day and cater for the crowd of 16,000.

Jim Hurst and Terry Dean co-ordinated the colourful parade of past captains and coaches.

Former champions Tony Buhagier and Leigh Brenton (East Fremantle), with Brad Hardie "bought" the players for the legends super-derby and the Bulldogs supporters just about brought the house down when John Gerovich, aided and abetted by a timely "slip" by his opponent Con Regan, took a fingertip mark and goaled.

Ian Thomson, Brian Peake and Bruce Tschirpig were prominent for Old Easts, with Jamie Lockyer, Rowley Daw and a portly Stephen Michael showing good form for the Bulldogs.

Mario Turco had not read the script when he bombed a 60-metre torpedo punt which would have won the game for Old Easts, but Don Haddow marked on the goal line to preserve the draw.

The after-match camaraderie was terrific with past foes enjoying each others company while watching the senior game.

Former Souths coach Colin Beard even suggested that the respective past player groups unite in their support of Fremantle by buying an area of seating for the AFL games next season — an excellent idea.

The half-time entertainment was also well organised with junior clinics and a kicking competition among the highlights.

The day could be regarded as a dress

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Radio 6PR's former State and East Fremantle defender and West Coast Eagles chairman of selectors

rehearsal for when the next big crowd invades Fremantle Oval, which is likely to be for an AFL practice match between Fremantle and the West Coast Eagles early next season.

WHAT chance another WA versus Victoria state-of-origin game over the next few seasons?

Sadly, the Big V and South Australia have pinched a WA concept (remember Leon Larkin?) and have plans to stage a blockbuster at the MCG next season.

The game is likely to attract a capacity crowd in excess of 90,000.

Why doesn't WA challenge the winning team to a game at Subiaco Oval at the end of next season to see which is the strongest football state and to revive interstate football?

Talk not so cheap for Freeo

BECOMING increasingly evident is the problem facing the Fremantle Football Club in signing up to 12 uncontracted players in their first two seasons.

Former Richmond general manager Cameron Schwab is a fine addition to Fremantle's off-field staff and negotiating in Melbourne will be no easy feat.

Technically, he cannot talk to players coming out of contract until December 31, but everyone involved in football knows that "talking" goes on all the time.

Schwab is well aware that Ben Allan, Brad Rowe, Allen Jakovich, Michael Dunstan and Dean Irving come out of contract at the end of the season.

Allan has become a prime target, particularly after Gerard Neesham's coaching appointment, because Hawthorn's 1991 fairest and best played 60 games in three seasons at Claremont.

The carrot being dangled before Allan's nose is talk of his appointment as the fledgling club's first captain.

Also clear is that the imminent arrival of Fremantle has clubs in the east wary of attack from the west.

A routine call to Essendon last week was met with guarded caution given my location in Perth and request to speak to one of their eight-strong West Australian contingent.

And the West Coast Eagles have threatened legal action should any approaches be made to their squad members.

The Eagles are understandably more wary of Fremantle than any other side

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because they are going to be the most affected by the new kid in town.

A higher than usual salary cap will enable Fremantle to offer attractive packages.

The person who will handle a large part of this negotiation, the football manager, has yet to be appointed, but the club is believed to have narrowed the choice to four candidates.

The recent appointment of coach has no doubt delayed that decision because

Neesham must work hand in hand with the club's choice.

THERE was a certain symmetry about Subiaco's clash with Perth last Saturday.

The Lions seniors, reserves and colts all claimed two point victories over the Demons at Subiaco Oval.

Perth's long-serving statistician and historian — and now board member — Richard Camm says he cannot recall such a treble, either for Perth or any other WAFL side.



TARGETS... Ben Allan, Allen Jakovich and Dean Irving, all West Australians playing in Melbourne, will be on Cameron Schwab's hit list for the new Fremantle side

Dermie ready for Hawk challenge

FEW footballers have the ability to ignite the emotions as much as Hawk-turned-Swan, Dermott Brereton.

Brereton is courageous, compulsive and candid.

Even in recent years, when he's spent more time sidelined than on the field, he has maintained the highest of profiles.

On Sunday, he plays his 193rd game and other than grand finals, it's fair to say that Brereton has never looked for-

ward to a match with greater expectation.

Sydney is up against Hawthorn — the club where he spent more than half his lifetime.

In an earlier meeting with the Hawks, a pre-season trial game at Glenferrie Oval, he was suspended for seven weeks after stepping on an opponent.

"There's a lot I want to show those people in the boardroom at Hawthorn," he says in a not-so-subtle sledge at the powerbrokers who sacked him at the end of 1993.

"I want it to be my best game of the year.

"I want to show a few of the committee who have stated I won't play again, that I can, despite the medical staff saying 'No, he will play again and he'll be quite good'.

JUDGMENT

"Do you back the judgment of people who have directly looked after your body for the last few years, or the ones who sit in the boardroom and only oversee?"

Far from being finished, Brereton (29) has already shown his ability to do "something special."

In his first game with his adopted club, he kicked the goal which lifted Sydney to a remarkable victory against Melbourne.

It was a fairytale start for "The Kid" who had seriously considered retirement after his shock suspension.

While he spent periods on the interchange bench in his next two games, against West Coast and North Melbourne, he showed flashes of his best and is hoping to have a significant influence against his old club.

"I would have loved to have stayed," he says of his transfer. "But I don't bear grudges.

"I understand the financial plight they were in."

Brereton says his attitude to football has changed as his career enters its twilight years.

On the East Coast from KEN PIESSE



"At one stage of my life, I came to treat it (football) as employment. It was my job. That made me a good player as I realised if I didn't play well, I wouldn't get paid as much.

"But now it's a game. It's grass roots feeling again."

After years of not being fit, culminating in an intricate hip operation and more shoulder surgery, Brereton is at last back on the track and loving his involvement.

It was an emotional decision to leave Melbourne — the culmination of the roughest year of Brereton's life during which his father suicided and he severed a 15-year link with his beloved Hawthorn.

"For more than half my life, ever since I was 14 and in the scholarship squad, I'd been walking into training at Hawthorn three and four times a week and playing with them on the weekends for nine and 10 months of the year," he said.

"It's quite a change."

He concedes that Hawk insiders grew tired of him being sidelined — "but they didn't get tired of me playing with broken ribs to help them win games two years prior to that."

"And did they grow tired of me on grand final day in 1989 when I should

have gone straight to hospital but kept playing on?"

"Everything balances out. "You have only a certain amount of time to give your life to them.

"The remnants of the way you played with injury stay with you. It's a huge drain on your physical health for the rest of your life.

"It's quite easy to say the things which have been said, but in reality, the player never wins.

"The club continues on and the player never can. He's the one who loses out.

"It'd be ridiculous for me to think I could run around the park and have a kick of the footy with my kids when I'm 40 years of age. It won't happen. I just won't be able to do it."

★★★★

STEPHEN Kernahan admits most of his remaining footballing days are going to be spent at full-forward.

But he's not complaining — not with skilful players like Craig Bradley, Greg Williams and Mil Hanna delivering the ball so expertly.

At 30, Kernahan says he's better suited to the one-on-one contests than being constantly buffeted at centre-half-forward.

On Saturday he kicked 9.6 and could have had 12 or 13 goals such was his mastery over four opponents.

Carlton led by almost 13 goals at three-quarter time and looked set for one of the biggest wins of the season before Fitzroy kicked five of the last six goals to reduce the winning margin to 55 points.



SUPER SWAN ... Dermott Brereton has a point to prove to Hawthorn this week

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Blues climb to continue over Demons

CARLTON'S climb up the ladder can continue when they tackle the out-of-form Melbourne at the MCG on Saturday.

After a slow start, the Blues have hit peak form, while the Demons have dropped four of their past five games.

Champion forward Stephen Kernahan kicked nine goals in the Blues win over Fitzroy and with rover Adrian Gleeson playing his 150th game, they should have no trouble firing up against the Demons.

★★★★★

GEELONG should get back on track when they host St Kilda on Saturday at Kardinia Park.

The Cats were cruising a fortnight ago, but have since dropped games to Essendon and Brisbane and must regain their best form before their season slips away.

St Kilda will struggle to kick a winning score without injured key forwards Tony Lockett and Stewart Loewe.

★★★★★

ADELAIDE'S record in Melbourne received another setback last weekend when they lost to Collingwood and they must improve against North Melbourne at Princes Park on Saturday to restore credibility.

The Crows were not disgraced in losing to the Magpies and if they had kicked straighter, the final margin of 23 points could have been closer.

But with the Kangaroos potent forward line of John Longmire, Wayne Carey, Adrian McAdam and Trent Nichols in good form, they should have too much firepower.

★★★★★

THE game Sydney forward Dermott Brereton has been waiting for all year is at the SCG on Sunday, when the Swans host Hawthorn.

After three games with his new club, the five-time Hawks premiership star should be nearing peak match fitness for his tussle with his former team-mates.

The big problem for Swans coach Ron



KING BLUE ... Stephen Kernahan is still Carlton's best option in attack

Barassi is who to play on champion full-forward Jason Dunstall, who kicked 10 goals last week against Footscray.

★★★★★

TRADITIONAL rivals Collingwood and Richmond should attract a big crowd at the MCG on Monday.

The Magpies are back to their best with wins over likely finalists Hawthorn and Adelaide in successive weeks.

But the Tigers lost to Essendon by 46 points after being within striking distance in the final quarter.

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FOOTSCRAY'S finals hopes will nose-dive if they fail to upset Essendon at Waverley Park on Monday.

The Bulldogs were comprehensively beaten by Hawthorn last weekend and coach Alan Joyce will stress the importance of victory against the Bombers, who have won their past four matches.

Former Subiaco player Michael Symons has been a livewire in attack and with centre-half-forward James Hird and rookie Che Cockatoo-Collins in scintillating form, Essendon should have too many goalscoring options.

Eagles in a Bear hunt

FACT: Brisbane have never won in Perth. FICTION: The Bears cannot win away from the Gabba.

A fortnight ago, any tipster giving Brisbane a remote chance of toppling the top-of-the-ladder West Coast at Subiaco Oval would have been committed to daily therapy.

But stirring wins over North Melbourne (27 points) in Brisbane and Geelong (25 points) at Kardinia Park have restored credibility at the Gabba.

"We were in a hole two weeks ago," admits Bears coach Robert Walls.

"And the talk was: 'How deep are they going to be after playing North Melbourne, Geelong, West Coast, Essendon, Collingwood and Carlton?'"

"But we're working our way out of it."

"We're working our butts off up there to be a club, not just a team of players from all over the country that flies in and out of Brisbane."

RESOLUTE DEFENDER

The transformation has been slow.

High-profile recruit Alastair Lynch, with Daryl White and former Eagle Paul Peos, have taken the pressure off Roger Merrett in attack, while Richard Champion has developed into one of the competition's most resolute defenders, helped by attacking colleagues Michael McLean, John Gastev and Martin Leslie.

Runners Craig Lambert, Andrew Bews and Gilbert McAdam have added class and graft to the midfield, to help emerging players Marcus Ashcroft, Adrian Fletcher and Shane Hamilton.

The midfield will also welcome back Scott McIvor after being concussed.

By GLEN QUARTERMAIN

McIvor will become the first Queensland and only the fourth Bear to play 100 games for Brisbane in Sunday's Subiaco Oval clash.

The Bears will confront a side high on confidence after winning five in a row.

Essendon coach Kevin Sheedy is correct in his claim the Eagles are the pace-setters of the competition. They have to be at 7-2 and in first place.

The Eagles forward line is functioning smoothly without Peter Sumich, with Ashley McIntosh, Chris Lewis, John Worsfold and Don Pyke keeping the scoreboard ticking over against Melbourne.

SETTLED BACKLINE

They are fed by a midfield lined with hard workers at the coalface in Chris Mainwaring, Pyke and Drew Banfield and complemented by the creativity of Peter Matera and Dean Kemp.

Throw in a long-time settled backline of Michael Brennan, John Worsfold, David Hart, Guy McKenna, Glen Jakovich and Chris Waterman and Brisbane's hopes appear forlorn.

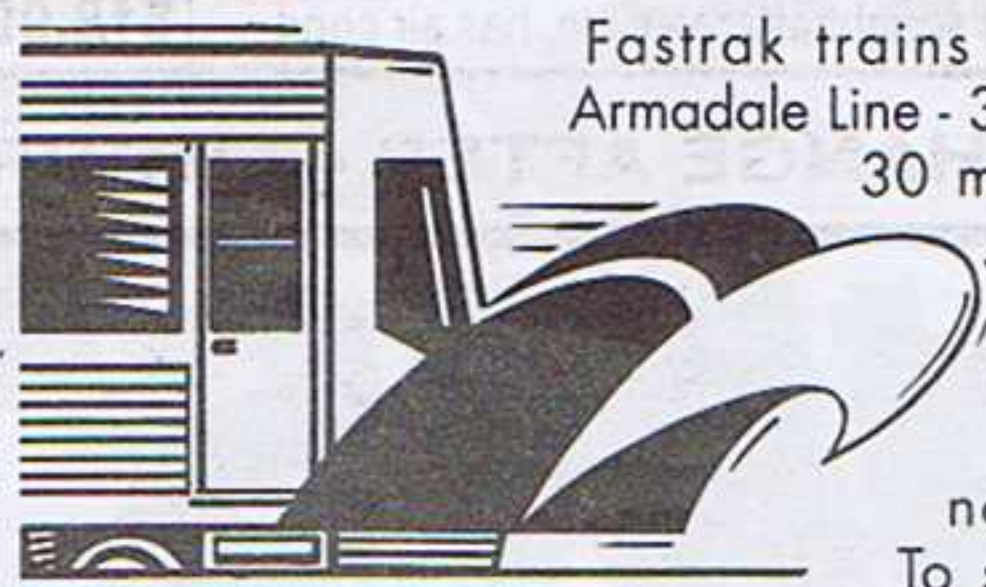
Brennan will be inspired when he becomes only the second Eagle to reach the 150-game mark.

Last week he blanketed Allen Jakovich, holding the dangerous Demon to one goal.

This week, it should be Merrett who feels the "Monkey" clamp.

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CLASSY winger Chris Mainwaring has extended his lead in 6PR's Eagle of the Year award.

Mainwaring's midfield blitz against the Demons earned him six votes and moved him to 30, eight ahead of Glen Jakovich, in the race for the \$2000 Major Motors Award.

But the versatile Ashley McIntosh claimed best-afield honours in a forward line role against a talented opponent in David Neitz.

McIntosh's eight votes gave him the \$100 Makita Eagle of the Match, as awarded by the 6PR commentary team of Rob Gaylard, Dan Loney and injured Magpies man, Michael Christian.

Jakovich polled three and Michael Brennan one vote.

The \$50 Automatic Transmission Clinics award for the Mark of the Day was awarded to Mainwaring for his third quarter leap over Matthew Febey.

6PR Eagle of the Year

- 30 — Chris Mainwaring
- 22 — Glen Jakovich
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Merrett soldiers on

FOR Roger Merrett, there is no escaping the truth.

He is the "grandfather" of the AFL competition.

At 34 years, Merrett is 17 days senior to the league's second-ranked "golden oldie" — Footscray veteran Doug Hawkins.

Merrett supporters will point to his form over the past month and claim there is no reason why the hard-edged forward cannot play on again next season.

But Merrett is a realist.

"You would love to think you can play forever, but the reality is that it's getting harder," Merrett said, on the eve of game No. 269 against West Coast at Subiaco

By GLEN QUARTERMAIN

Oval on Sunday.

"You just can't keep coming up in a sport that has become so fast.

"The way I play is probably a style that puts my body at risk every time I step out there.

"I haven't definitely said this is my last year, but unless something unforeseen happens, this should be it."

Merrett joined the Bears in 1988 after a distinguished career at Essendon which included the 1984 and '85 premiership wins over Hawthorn.

As development and promotions offi-

cer for the Queensland Football Development Foundation, he has witnessed first-hand the Bears struggle to dig their roots into a hard-baked rugby-dominated culture.

As captain, he has endured the shift from Carrara on the Gold Coast to Brisbane's Gabba stadium.

As a goalkicking target, he has patiently grafted away in a forward line sadly lacking in talented numbers.

But the Bears are pointing to change.

They have recorded successive wins over North Melbourne and Geelong, have a promising 4-6 win-loss record after round 11, are averaging crowds of 10,000 at home; all genuine signs that the Australian code is catching on in the sunshine state.

"We have an OzKick competition running up here and the number of juniors enrolled has increased from a few hundred to over 3000," Merrett said.

When the Bears normally return to Brisbane airport after a Melbourne flogging, they are greeted with an empty terminal.

It wasn't exactly standing room only after Sunday's gallant win over Geelong, but there was a noticeable difference.

"There were 20 or so people there, which is not mind-boggling, but it was

great to have those people there supporting us," Merrett said.

Last week Merrett he kicked his 193rd goal for the club to pass Brad Hardie's record.

The influx of fresh talent, including Andrew Bews, Craig Lambert and Gilbert McAdam, has lifted confidence to a record high.

West Coast will be the next measuring valve.

"We have never won over there," Merrett said about this Perth encounter.

"But we hadn't won at Geelong since our second game either, so we now know that we are capable.

"When we had lost all those away games, it became a mental barrier.

"Subconsciously it was always in the back of our minds whenever we travelled.

"When we beat North Melbourne we knew then that if we worked on the little hard things for four quarters then we could win.

"You don't feel any sorer when you win than when you lose.

"West Coast is an accomplished outfit, I have always rated them right up there as one of the top one or two sides that you really can gauge yourselves against."



FAMILY FLAVOUR... departing Claremont coach Gerard Neesham involved his family in Saturday's farewell presentation, with mother Peg, father Ted and wife Heather

Emotional Tigers farewell for Neesham

NEW Fremantle coach Gerard Neesham has not been to Melbourne for five years.

And the last time he watched an Eagles game was in 1991, when wisp Dale Kickett was playing for St Kilda.

Despite his apparent lack of interest in the AFL competition and his admission that he had never considered coaching at that level, Neesham's remarkable success at Claremont over the past eight years has provided him with a perfect apprenticeship for his graduation.

The Little General acknowledged those responsible for his WAFL tutelage at his last official function for the club.

Paying tribute to family and friends, Neesham told a packed Claremont social hall after the Tigers hard-fought win over West Perth that any success he had at the next level could be credited to his experience at Claremont.

"This place is like a family to me and has taken me to heart," he said.

"One of my New Year resolutions was never to stay in a place long enough to earn life membership, but my time at Claremont has been tremendously enjoyable and I have mixed feelings about leaving."

Although excited at the challenge of making Fremantle a force in the AFL, Neesham said he had not given the job much thought.

"Despite what I tell the players, I have never thought more than a year ahead," he said.

By JOHN TOWNSEND

"I made choices about what was best at the time.

"Things have fallen into place along the way, but I never had a grand plan to achieve so much at this level and then progress to the AFL."

His achievements at Claremont are remarkable.

Four premierships, two other grand final appearances and a team unbeaten halfway through this season are testimony to his ability to develop talent and rebuild playing stocks laid bare by hungry AFL clubs.

Since Neesham took the Tigers helm, 30 players have been drafted and that number could swell by another 10 when this season ends.

His rapport with the players was lauded during emotional speeches by Stephen Scott, Claremont president in 1987 when Neesham was appointed and club stalwart Kevin Clune.

DEVELOPING TALENT

Both men said his success was based on developing latent talent and that Fremantle could not have appointed a better man for the job.

"We will not forget Gerard and what he has done at this club," Scott said.

And Neesham echoed the sentiment by saying Claremont had given him his best football memories.

"This is one club where we can honestly say to the parents of a young player: 'If you give us your son, we will give him back as best as he can be,'" he said.

"Claremont is the best club in Australia outside the AFL and I am proud to be part of it."

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Sunday, June 12			
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**West Coast v Brisbane (5)	H	West Coast 43-45pts	116pts
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Medicos vital to survival of players

AFL players rarely go into a match without some sort of niggling injury.

The value of having expert medical advice on hand to decide whether a player can endure such problems has become increasingly important in light of the closeness of the competition.

Having a proven performer play, even if half-fit, can sometimes be the difference between winning and losing.

Such risks are normally only taken in grand finals.

But clubs now appear to be playing injured stars during home and away matches rather than blood an inexperienced youngster.

Mick McGuane had a pain-killing injection in his groin before the Magpies game against Adelaide last Saturday.

Much to the surprise of everyone at the game, McGuane's first three kicks dribbled along the ground.

The pre-match needle had hit a nerve in his leg which led to him having no feeling in his kicking foot.

This situation merely highlights the lengths some players go to simply to get out onto the paddock each week.

Jim Stynes has played 159 consecutive games for his beloved Demons.

MELBOURNE CALLING

BEN ALLAN a Hawthorn and Claremont premiership player writes from Melbourne exclusively for Westside Football.



No doubt some of these games would have been played under the sort of suffering all AFL players bear.

Stynes last season reportedly played with broken ribs in his valiant attempt to keep his outstanding unbroken games run intact.

His exceptional healing powers will again be put to the test this week as he attempts to overcome the knee injury he sustained last week against the Eagles.

Don't bet against him recovering in time to play against Carlton next Saturday.

Andy Collins, who is only about 30 behind Stynes in terms of consecutive games, is another player who can overcome injury quicker than most.

A couple of seasons ago, Collo looked as if he would miss a game with a badly swollen ankle.

But his determination and the fantastic work of the Hawthorn medical staff enabled him to perform in his usual consistent manner.

The importance of physios and other medical staff at clubs is vital.

Players have a limited life expectancy at elite level so expert advice is needed to avoid any unnecessary risks being taken.

Defence attacks winning formula

THE voice of Channel 7 commentator Ian Robertson sounded very surprised when he announced last Sunday that the West Coast defence was holding sway in the middle against Melbourne.

But the performance was hardly a shock, given the reputation that midfield group has built in the past few years.

Going into the match, it seemed the Eagles biggest worries were finding players in attack capable of kicking a winning score, while holding a Melbourne outfit which boasted the talents of Garry Lyon, David Schwarz and Allen Jakovich.

But there was no need to worry.

Schwarz, who had taken 16 marks in his previous game, found Glen Jakovich in supreme form; Lyon kicked five goals in an interesting duel with Chris Waterman and Allen Jakovich was soundly beaten by the Eagles quiet achiever Michael Brennan.

Not only did those players do their job, but combined with Guy McKenna, offered plenty of run out of defence to produce an outstanding effort.

Jakovich, who tied for the club champion award last season, must be high in the reckoning to repeat the dose.

Apart from one game, against North Melbourne champion Wayne Carey, he has not lowered his colours all season.

The powerfully-built Jakovich is the

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cornerstone for the meanest defence in the league.

It is a defence which has held firm against the best attacking units in the game, though Hawthorn had a day out at Subiaco Oval last month.

Brennan, who this week plays his 150th game for the Eagles, has been part of the squad since its inception and has gone about his business with a minimum of fuss.

In the mould of old fashioned defenders, Brennan does not receive many accolades for his work, but rarely is he beaten.

Strong and deceptively quick off the mark, Brennan often gets the task against the biggest names in the game.

During his distinguished career, he has performed admirably against the likes of Jason Dunstall, Tony Lockett and John Longmire.

CONSISTENT

Early in his career, hamstring injuries threatened to curtail his progress, but he worked through the problem and can lay claim to being one of the most consistent players at the club.

Mick Malthouse has often been accused of being ultra-defensive, but the players backward of centre do not mind backing their judgment and often kick off the attacking sorties.

The Eagles, despite the big loss to Hawthorn, have still had eight goals less kicked against them than their nearest rivals Melbourne.

And though they are fourth behind North Melbourne, Geelong and Hawthorn in points scored, they easily out-pointed the Demons defence last week despite the absence of their two most productive forwards this season.

Peter Sumich and Brett Heady have dominated the goal-kicking for the Eagles, but with a steady flow of opportunities created by the running players the Melbourne defence was always under pressure.

Eagles run ready to bear fruit

WEST Coast recorded their fifth consecutive victory in Sunday's match against Melbourne at the MCG — their first run of five home-and-away wins for nearly three years.

The last time the Eagles won five straight was at the start of the 1991 season when they were undefeated after 12 matches.

The Eagles will attempt to become the first team for nearly a year to win six consecutive matches when they play Brisbane at Subiaco this Sunday.

The last team to win six matches on end was Carlton, from round 10 last year.

BRISBANE'S win against Geelong at Kardinia Park was only the Bears 11th win outside Queensland since they entered the competition in 1987.

The Bears have now won 40 of their 162 matches in the VFL/AFL.

They won 21 games at Carrara Oval and have won eight at the Gabba.

After winning their first two matches in Victoria in 1987 — against North Melbourne under lights at the MCG and



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Geelong at Kardinia Park — the Bears won only six of their next 66 games in Victoria before Saturday's game.

The Bears last two wins in Victoria before Saturday's match were both against Fitzroy — by 41 points at Princes Park in round 18 of 1992 and 37 points at Waverley in round 21 of 1989.

Brisbane have beaten six different clubs in Victoria — Carlton, Fitzroy, Geelong, North Melbourne, Richmond and St Kilda.

The Bears beat Sydney twice in five games in Sydney, but are yet to record victories in eight clashes in Perth and Adelaide.

LAST week's discussion about Gerard Neesham's playing record outside WA has prompted Geoff Foppoli, of Wembley, to ask for further details of the playing records of the current AFL coaches.

Each of the 15 coaches played for Melbourne-based clubs — ranging from Graham Cornes' five games with North Melbourne to Leigh Matthews' 332 with Hawthorn.

The coaches averaged about 180 games each.

Peter Knights (267 games), Stan Alves (267), Robert Walls (259), Ron Barassi (253) and Kevin Sheedy (251) all played more than 250 games.

Apart from Cornes, the only current coaches not to have played more than 100 games are Robert Shaw and Alan Joyce.

All the coaches — except for Cornes, Shaw, Joyce and Denis Pagan — played in at least one premiership team.

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Roving Rowe has the environment very much on his mind

THE hair style may have changed, but the exciting roving of Brad Rowe hasn't. East Fremantle fans will remember his dangerous form in WA and now he's thriving at Victoria Park as a member of the Collingwood camp. GLEN QUARTERMAIN reports.



CHANGING FACE... the curly locks of Magpie man Brad Rowe shroud the face of the roving star who is looking a little different these days with his shaven head style

THE last thing on Brad Rowe's mind was football.

It was a surprising admission, given that the West Australian-bred Magpie had only minutes earlier been credited with best-afield honours, just seven days after being dropped to the reserves.

The Collingwood hordes, who would worship a paper cup if it was painted black and white, were snaking their way through the labyrinth that is the Victoria Park changerooms for a glimpse at their latest icon.

The new-look Rowe, sporting a shaven scalp as distinct from his once trademark springy locks, returned two goals from 10 marks and 23 effective possessions and had a hand in several other majors — no ordinary feat for a permanent forward pocket in a scrappy wind-affected tight, physical contest.

Rowe's only blemish was inaccuracy in kicking 2.5, but in his defence, the bulk of his scoring shots were from tight angles in a tricky wind.

But Rowe's after-match exuberance was centred on thoughts kilometres, even suburbs, away from Victoria Park.

He wanted to talk about his Glenhuntley nursery in Melbourne's southern suburbs.

More specifically, it was World Environment Day (last Sunday) and Rowe wanted to advertise a special offer.

"We don't sell any pollutants, toxics or chemicals, everything is organic and tomorrow being World Environment Day we are giving free native plants to the children," Rowe said.

Rowe's involvement in environmental causes extends way beyond his proprietorial bent.

He recently established the "Footballers for the Environment" group with fellow West Australian and Brisbane Bear team-mate and current Fitzroy defender Mark Zanotti.

"We go to a school each week and talk to them about the environment," Rowe said.



DERBY DAYS... Fremantle derbies provided some top memories for Brad Rowe, winning the Foundation Day clash back in 1989.

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Face to face

"At the moment, there are four or five players involved. We want to expand, to get delegates from each club.

"It was something I always wanted to do, it was just a matter of having the balls to get up and do it because footballers have become so stereo-typed."

Rowe's nomadic existence and penchant for surfing has taken him from his home town of Geraldton, to East Fremantle, the Gold Coast and Collingwood.

He was Brisbane's first choice, fifth overall, in the 1989 national draft, played 14 games and kicked nine goals over two seasons before he was transferred to Victoria Park at the end of the '91 season.

He played 15 games in '92, but his 17 last year were the best of his short, but lively AFL career.

The Magpies expected Rowe to carry his form over to this season, but extended stints on the interchange bench and a form glut, exacerbated by back and hamstring injuries, led to relegation.

A week later, Rowe was the catalyst in Collingwood's 23-point win over Adelaide.

"I needed a kick in the pants and I got it," Rowe admitted on Saturday.

"Things went right today. I think my approach was a little different and things came off."

"I was dropped for a reason. Your opportunities are limited in a forward pocket. There would probably only be 10 to 15 opportunities a game.

"By dropping me back to the reserves it let me off my shackles a bit, gave me a bit more confidence and enabled me to hit the ball a little harder.

"Form is one of those things. Playing in the position that I play, the ball can either come to you or it doesn't.

"The opportunities are always limited and if you can capitalise on the amount of times the ball is in your area, that's good; if you don't, you look bad.

"It is important we keep the ball in and we score and that's my role and if I'm on the wing one week and the flank the next, that's the way I'll play it."

Rowe has no preference — he will take any spot in the starting 21 of arguably Australia's most famous sporting club.

"You become a burst player when your opportunities are limited and that is the way you have to play the game," he said.

"If you are told you are roving during the week, then you can prepare for that mentally and physically, so your four quarter effort depends on where you play."

Injuries affected Rowe's confidence, but he has fully recovered and anticipating a repeat of last season's dynamic form.

"I had a stomach tear at the start of the year, during the Foster's Cup series and a hamstring a couple of weeks ago, but I'm recovered from them now," he said.

The two-goal performance against the Crows was highlighted by a surprising display of aerial artistry.

Blessed with pace, Rowe is rated highly for his ground level skills, but he had never been known as a high mark.

"My form has been good on the ground, but it's just one of those things, if it's there (in the air) I'll go for it," he said.

The gulf in history and atmosphere between Rowe's two AFL clubs could not be wider.

On the one hand, there was Brisbane with an eight-year existence in a developing football state.

Then there is Collingwood, a tradition-soaked club located among terrace-lined streets surrounding Victoria Park, the last true bastion of home ground parochialism in Victoria.

"Obviously there is a big difference with support-base and there is the tradition of Collingwood — they have been around for a long time," says Rowe.

"Now that the Bears have gone to Brisbane (from Carrara, on the Gold Coast) they are a lot more professional.

"They have only been there a little while, but I think they will get it right eventually.

"But Collingwood is just so professional; everyone is switched on, everyone wants to play and if you are not a part of that, then you may as well not be here.

"You soon get sorted out."
Rowe (24) will return to Perth when his 178cm frame cries: "No more".

The nature of modern football — reduced lists and increasing pace of the game — will dictate when that happens.

"I miss home, I miss my family," Rowe said.

"I have had to make football such a temporary thing, it is very hard to have a base, but I am happy."

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Monkey passes big milestone

WITH a dry sense of humour and an equally cunning smile off the field, Michael Brennan comes across as anything but a footballer.

But looks are deceptive. During the week Brennan is a financial consultant, but at the weekend, he assumes his respected role as a miserly defender in the West Coast line-up.

And this Sunday against the Brisbane Bears at Subiaco Oval, the former East Fremantle player will become the second Eagle, behind durable ruck-rover Dwayne Lamb to notch his 150th game.

An original West Coaster, Brennan waged a light-hearted contest with Lamb over who would become the first Eagle to reach the milestone.

Lamb beat him when he played against the Sydney Swans at the WACA Ground a fortnight ago.

"I suppose you could say Fatty was the pacemaker," Brennan said this week. "But he certainly deserved it and no-one can take anything away from him."

RELIABLE

Brennan has been a reliable performer since the Eagles inception, though problems with his piano-wire hamstrings a couple of seasons ago and early last year had many doubting he would continue to play at his usual efficient level.

He almost missed out on playing in the Eagles 1992 premiers team after straining his hamstring in their win over Hawthorn at Subiaco Oval and being absent in the side's second semi-final success against Geelong.

"It's been a constant battle to keep

By DIGBY BEACHAM

them together," he said.

"But with the way things are structured at the Eagles, including building strength in the legs and the monitoring of your progress, it has helped."

Coach Mick Malthouse has rewarded Brennan for his hard work with the vice-captaincy.

It is something he is proud of, but believes it doesn't alter his approach to each match.

"What the coach is looking for is the passing on of experience and attitude wise, all the guys are good," he said.

The AFL has never been quicker and one mistake from a player can be deadly.

The ball is transferred to either end of the ground in the swiftest possible manner — something Brennan, who often stands the opposition side's most dangerous forward, needs no reminding of.

"About three years ago the game just seemed to go up another level," Brennan said.

"The pace of the game quickened and you have to make the most of your opportunities, otherwise you pay for it."

Talk has been rife that Brennan could join the new Fremantle team next year, when he finishes his contract with the Eagles.

But the 28-year-old said nothing had been decided.

"I'm enjoying my footy at the moment and I don't think there is a reason why I can't continue," he said.

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IN THE EAGLES NEST



with ALAN EAST

Lewie on target

CHRIS Lewis is having his most consistent season since 1990, the year he won the Eagles club championship.

His five goals against three opponents — Phil Gilbert, Steven Febey and Sean Wight — took him to 20 for the season, one more than Brett Heady and the second highest by any Eagle behind the injured Peter Sumich.

But it was only his second highest tally, behind the seven he kicked against St Kilda at Subiaco two seasons ago.

"I lose count when I get over two these

days," Lewis quipped after the game.

"When delivery of the ball is coming in so well, it makes your job a lot easier. With Suma (Peter Sumich) out, we've got to adjust our side.

"To be the focal point, it's quite challenging because everybody looks for you from the midfield."

Eagles on attack

THE Eagles played their natural, attacking game in the front half, while at the other end, they concentrated on swamping Melbourne's three-pronged attack.

It worked with Michael Brennan holding Allen Jakovich to one goal before the flamboyant forward was dragged; Glen Jakovich blanketing the dangerous David Schwarz and Chris Waterman tackling the class of Garry Lyon.

Ruckman Ryan Turnbull also followed the mobile Jim Stynes into attack, cutting out another scoring option.

Lyon kicked five goals, but according to Eagles coach Mick Malthouse, he was well guarded by 100-gamer Waterman.

"I thought Chris Waterman, for his size and to the requirements of the job against one of the league's best players, was pretty good."

Turnbull's time

EAGLES big man Ryan Turnbull is making the most of his opportunities this season and was another solid performer last weekend in the 44-point win over Melbourne.

Turnbull picked up both the Vivid Clothing award and the Woodside Petroleum Cheer Squad prize for his performance on Jim Stynes.

Chris Lewis was back to his superb best and his great game up forward won him the Gatorade award, while David Hynes received the Tooheys prize.

Glen Jakovich played a stout game at centre-half-back to win the Pepsi trophy and the Puma award went to Don Pyke.

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Derby day a superb promotion

says TREVOR HOWARD general manager of the West Australian Football League

DERBIES have often produced WA's most memorable footballing moments and the crowds usually flock to either East Fremantle or Fremantle Oval to witness them.

On Monday, a bumper crowd made their way to Fremantle Oval to watch the two old foes do battle for the Foundation Day Cup.

The lead-up game between former champions in a 'super derby' obviously assisted the attendance, but nothing can be taken away from such a large turnout.

With 100 years of football in Fremantle being celebrated, everyone expected

lots of faces and we weren't disappointed.

All the people who made the trip to Fremantle to watch the league match, which East Fremantle won, should be congratulated.

It was simply terrific and just reward for all the hard work in promoting the event.

Both East Fremantle and South Fremantle general managers Bob Uittenbroek and Brian Ciccotosto were tireless workers leading up to Monday and they deserve every pat on the back anyone gives them.

They did everything in their power to make sure the day went off without a hitch and achieved their goal.

They are two men with their heart and soul really involved in the club.

Two years ago, a crowd of 18,000 packed into Fremantle Oval to see the Sharks beat the Bulldogs and for a similar attendance in 1994 with the West Coast Eagles faring so well, was magnificent.

The next battle between the two sides is on July 23 at East Fremantle Oval and if the two matches during 1994 are any indication, it looms as a game that shouldn't be missed.



PRESENTS ...

Eagles Men of the Match



Don Pyke

DON Pyke's role was threefold against the Demons.

He took Victorian winger Stephen Tingay apart in the first-half, before becoming an attacking playmaker after the long interval.

Tingay, who normally forms a key cog in the Demons engine room, was restricted to only six possessions until half-time.

Pyke, on the other hand, gathered 29 possessions and kicked three goals.



Drew Banfield

DREW Banfield has cut his AFL teeth as a tagger.

But he was handed a more attacking role against the Demons.

Banfield was pitted against the more experienced Anthony Lovell and while the Demon had more of the ball, Banfield was far more effective.

Such was Banfield's workrate at the coalface that he finished with seven centre bounce clearances.



Chris Lewis

CHRIS Lewis has regained the composure and confidence that enabled him to win the Eagles 1990 club championship award.

The gifted utility filled the void left by Peter Sumich at full forward, kicking five goals, from 15 possessions and five marks.

Lewis beat three opponents along the way — Phil Gilbert, Steven Febey and Sean Wight.

He also had a hand in a John Worsfold major.

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Fremantle great John Todd wishes Bulldogs skipper Wally Matera all the best



Former Bulldogs premiership coach Hassa Mann found something funny about this 1994 team ... as did Rowley Daw and Gary Greer



Toby Watson wasn't going to let a knee reconstruction stop him from enjoying the derby day



George Grljusich finds a willing interview subject in Old Easts legend Con Regan



Even the umpires were recalled from retirement, with Bob Phillips and Mike Ball doing the honours

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Bygone glory



THE memories came flooding back as more than 15,000 fans crammed into Fremantle Oval to watch Monday's Foundation Day derby — with that cherished cup going back to East Fremantle Oval.

The derby was preceded by a legends game featuring many past stars from South Fremantle and East Fremantle, with old players travelling far and wide to be part of the gala day.

With the celebrations marking 100 years of football at Fremantle Oval, there were some glimpses into the past that looked very much like the football of those golden olden days.

Photographers GREG and NADINE WOOD were at Fremantle Oval to capture some remarkable faces.



Former Bulldog Wayne Delmenico takes a high mark without leaving the ground as Sharks veteran Brian Peake arrives a little late



Andrew Lockyer celebrated 100 games with the Sharks with a Foundation Day Cup to take home



Still a favourite with the fans is legendary Souths ruckman Stephen Michael



Ron Alexander reminds his old East Perth team-mate Ian Thomson how he brought him out of retirement for a Sharks flag

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Walker sets the Swans pattern



THE loyalty that exists right throughout the ranks at Swan Districts emanates from the top and it's no surprise to find that the club president rates as one of WA's most celebrated footballers.

Bill Walker has been president of the black and whites since 1984, but his work at Bassendean Oval started a long time before that.

A member of the club's inaugural premiership sides — the hat-trick of 1961, '62 and '63 — Walker holds the record for the most number of games played, a magnificent 305.

The father of two look-alike rovers, Greg — the 1990 Simpson Medallist (in their grand-final win against Claremont) — and Brett, Bill has plenty of other accolades to his credit, including a Simpson Medal in the 1969 clash with South Australia . . . just one of his nine appearances for WA.

Walker won three consecutive Sandover Medals (1965, '66 and '67) and captain-coached the club, setting on-field examples that he still insists on from his off-field people.



STILL KICKING . . . former 200-gamer Steve Gillespie is still serving Swans

SWANS Know your club
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Walker has three former players working close to him on the board of directors.

Steve Gillespie played 201 games with Swans — and received life-membership in 1981 — Bob Manning was a solid defender and Peter Carter was also a stalwart at Bassendean, even though he wasn't a regular league player.

THE TAYLORS

The Taylor influence at Bassendean is strong, with two separate families each contributing three members to the hard-working off-field team.

Mrs Eva Taylor and Jim Taylor have been keeping the Swan Districts junior council ticking over for many years, with Jim being made a life member in 1986.

They have a son, Wayne, who works alongside them in junior development and he and his mother have been honoured with a Certificate of Merit.

Jim was once a technical college teacher and had a student named Ross Taylor, who they used to joke in class were related to each other.

Years along the line they met up again at Swan Districts, where Ross has been

Swan Districts

head trainer for four years after previously serving as a trainer for seven years.

Ross's wife Carol is the club's receptionist and his brother Ian is one of the training staff.

"I enjoy working at Swans and so does Ross," says Carol. "Being involved here with Ross means I always know where he is!"

CHARACTERS

There has never been any shortage of characters around Bassendean Oval and the latest to emerge on the scene is league team manager Graham Jordan.

The father of former player Troy Jordan, now with Ravensthorpe, Graham is the son of legendary horse trainer and racing identity Albert (Abo) Jordan, so it's easy to understand why coach John Todd was pleased to introduce a new face in the role of team manager.

"He's a good team-man," says football manager Trevor Dawes.

"He's always in there with the boys and not just sitting back like a quiet mouse."

Another stalwart to receive life membership is statistician Jim Roberts, who has also contributed sons to the football arena — but as umpires, with Damien and Bernard running the boundary lines.

Even club sponsors find themselves being enticed into administrative roles.

Well-known restaurant man Clyde Bevan, who runs the Swan Valley wining and dining business, Dear Friends Garden Restaurant, has joined the board as a director.



PARTNER . . . head trainer Ross Taylor is one half of a family partnership at Bassendean

Off field

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PEPSI CUP PREVIEW



Subiaco keen to avenge big loss

SUBIACO will be hell-bent on revenge for their round one thumping by West Perth when they head north to Arena Joondalup on Saturday.

The Lions trailed by just one goal at half-time that day, but were blown out of the contest in the second half to lose by 87 points, 23.15 (153) to 10.6 (66).

Subiaco's fade-out was woeful and coach Tony Solin will no doubt demand a better performance from his charges.

He should get it.

Subiaco kept alive their finals hopes with a scrambling two-point win over Perth last week — achieved without reliable goalkickers, injured pair Jason Heatley and Rod Willet.

TARGET IN ATTACK

They should be available this Saturday and their presence in attack will give the Lions midfielders a target.

Youngster Jarrad Hubble kicked six goals from half-forward for the Lions and with veteran Andrew Macnish in vintage form, they have every reason to feel confident about repeating their haul of 19 goals against Perth.

But the Falcons backline is water-tight and allowed the dangerous Claremont forwards just 11 goals in losing by 12 points to the league leaders last Saturday.

Greg Jones and Peter Freeman could hold down centre-half-back and full-back respectively and coach Jeff Gieschen will hope smaller men Paul Mifka, Wayne Dayman and Steve Trehwella maintain their usual high standard.

West Perth struggle to kick big totals — they have kicked more than 20 goals just once and that was against Subiaco.

Former Eagles squad member Derek Hall is the key to the Falcons attack and if he fires and receives support from opportunist Mark Lambourn and the in-



PRIME MOVERS ... Neil Mildenhall and Steve Trehwella are expected to start many Falcons attacks from the half-back line against Subiaco on Saturday

By DIGBY BEACHAM

form Ian Downsborough, the hosts are well on the way to a winning score.

In their previous meeting, Solin used Damian Hampson and captain David Snow to tag Neil Mildenhall and Craig Turley respectively.

Both Falcons shook off their shadows after slow starts to become influential players in the second half.

Turley, in particular, was damaging after the long break, kicking two goals and sparking the eye-catching onslaught.

He is running into his best form and with Mildenhall, Darren Harris, Darren

Stanley, Ric Toovey and Darren O'Brien, ensures his side make enough forward thrusts.

Subiaco are at their best when free-wheeling and if Gieschen does not opt to apply tags, Matt Connell, Hampson, Dwayne Lamb, Nathan O'Connor, Jonathon Langer, Ian Dargie and Tony Godden will win many possessions.

But their input, with that of the Falcons running players, could well depend on the outcome of the clash between big men Matthew Burton and Craig Nelson.

Subiaco can join West Perth on five wins, but the Falcons match-up well against the Lions and should prevail in a tight contest.



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Hit 'n' run works well

DERBIES always contain something unusual and East Fremantle's ploy to arrive at Fremantle Oval on Monday fully clothed and ready for action was a successful one.

That is the belief of South Fremantle coach Mark Watson, who watched his charges squander many scoring opportunities to lose by 38 points in front of 16,000 spectators.

"We had everything here set up for them, but they came to the ground, did the raid, snatched the points and then left," Watson said.

The tactic has backfired before.

Subiaco coach Tony Solin, keen to avoid the hoopla surrounding the last game at Leederville Oval last season, took his tracksuited players to the ground just before bouncedown.

The ploy proved a failure when the Falcons charged away to win comfortably and grab top spot for the finals.

And the Sharks late arrival also seemed to have failed when the Bulldogs jumped their old foes to rattle on the first five goals.

But East Fremantle steadied and after trailing by three points at quarter-time, led by 15 at the long break and then five goals at the final change.

Watson did admit that the Bulldogs kicking for goal (12.12) was below the usual standard and proved costly in the final wash-up.

"I think we struggled to kick a few goals and we did kick some out on the full, but it was a tricky cross-breeze," he said.

Judge's gamble pays dividend

THE boldest move in Ken Judge's chequered coaching career paid handsome dividends on Monday.

The 1992 East Fremantle premierships mentor called his charges together for a team meeting at East Fremantle Oval at 12.50pm and then informed them of his intention to make the trip down the road to Fremantle Oval in a bus just one hour later.

It proved to be a master-stroke as the Sharks overcame a slow start to win going away by 38 points.

"We had a team meeting, got changed, strapped and rubbed," Judge revealed.

"I just thought the close proximity of East Fremantle Oval and Fremantle Oval allowed us to travel on a bus as a group.

"When we got to Fremantle Oval

By DIGBY BEACHAM

about 1.50pm, we did a bit of a warm-up and then we were ready."

And when did he inform his players of his intentions?

"I didn't tell them until the team meeting," Judge said.

A premierships player with Hawthorn in 1983, Judge didn't feel the unusual decision had backfired even though South Fremantle were first on the board and dominated the game's opening stages.

"I thought we played alright early in the game and by the end of the first quarter we had fought our back to be on even terms," he stated.

"They were pretty keen to redeem themselves from the week before."

Judge admitted that after fading badly in the second half to suffer a demoralising loss against West Perth at the Joondalup Arena, he utilised the longer break than usual for some rigorous training exercises.

"With nine days between games, we



VICTORY HUG ... East Fremantle coach Ken Judge swamps Shaun McManus after the Sharks come-from-behind Foundation Day derby win on Monday

could afford to have a hard week on the track and we did."

He also bit the bullet by making several selection changes, one of which was reintroducing lively opportunist Steven Lally into the line-up.

That decision also reaped positive rewards with Lally snaring 7.0 from his forward pocket in a near best afield display.

"He did quite well I thought — to kick seven goals in such a big game is a good effort," Judge said.

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Freeo turns it on

THE Fremantle Oval celebrations came in for heaps of praise from all quarters — and dyed-in-the-wool Bulldog George Grljusich was in his element calling the action on radio 6WF.

GG revelled in reminiscing about some of the greats of the game who took part in the veterans action before the big derby battle between the Sharks and the Bulldogs.

The big crowd started the celebrations of 100 years of football at Fremantle Oval in bright sunshine and though the day clouded over by half-time, the spectacle was brilliant.

Grljusich waxed lyrical in praise of his beloved Fremantle Oval, saying it would make a great venue for AFL matches, especially a pre-season Foster's Cup contest.

"The surroundings of huge merton bay trees and the high banks on the outer side create a tremendous atmosphere," he said.

Saintly curse

HAVE St Kilda been cursed?

We all remember the voodoo placed on Collingwood by a Darwin-based medicine man after alleged racist comments by Magpies president Allan McAlister.

The same Aboriginal threatened to put the curse on the Saints for their refusal to release Nicky Winmar in the pre-season Collingwood-Northern Territory game.

St Kilda, tipped by most pundits to figure in this year's finals, are 3-6 with only 24 of their 42 players fit or available.

Stranger things have happened.

Karl's back

BIG BAD Boris is back!

The sight of fiery West Coast forward Karl Langdon completing a full game without being injured or reported was a long-time coming ... about 21 months, in fact.

The event was not lost on coach Mick Malthouse, who drew two positives from Langdon's performance.

"The most important thing was he was able to get off the ground without being reported or having an injury," Malthouse said.

THE HOOD

Back in Westside by public demand

Bank's hot seat

THE Commonwealth Bank plays a fairly important role in junior football with the sponsorship of the national 17s carnival, the Commonwealth Bank Cup — once known as the Teal Cup and producers of the Magnificent Seven, those tremendous Eagles players.

Therefore, the role of the Bank's public relations manager is a fairly important one — but there could be a change of direction as far as making appointments to that office is concerned.

Incumbent Carol Davidson will be leaving in July — just as WA hosts the Commonwealth Bank Cup in Perth — as pregnancy calls her to special maternity leave.

Her predecessor, Joanne McCaughan, also left to have a baby — a bouncing boy named Ryan — and now there's a concern that the PR seat might be too hot for the females!



Birthday bash

EVEN football writers have milestones worthy of recording and this special birthday occasion brought things to a halt in the Westside office last week.

It was the 21st birthday of writer Digby Beacham and Westside sponsors Stanbridges Pastry Cooks came to the party with a special cake that almost required some help from his team-mates before it could be carved up.

Stanbridge's is one of WA's oldest bakeries and has recently been taken over by Dean Robson and Richard Platt, who made the cake at their Leederville headquarters.

Fitzroy are lamenting

FITZROY could lose their training venue with Melbourne's plans to stage the Formula One Grand Prix.

The Lions stand to be deprived of the historic Lake Oval, the former home of South Melbourne and will ask Premier Jeff Kennett for \$250,000 so they can carry out renovations to their traditional home, Brunswick Street.

Luck run outs

THE luck of the Irish may have finally run out.

Big Jim Stynes has posted an incredible run of successive games — 159 in a row since July 4, 1987, but it looks like it's over.

Stynes postponed the inevitable last season when he played with a rib injury.

But he damaged his medial ligament against the Eagles last Saturday and could be sidelined for six weeks.

Umps in the firing line

THE umpiring heat was really on at Bassendean Oval as East Perth fans blamed the men-in-white for their loss.

The Royals turned on a heated after-match reception for umpires Wayne French and Mark Warren which had a few danger-signs.

More than 100 supporters surged onto the ground at the final siren and gave the umpires plenty of abuse as they walked off, thankful for the police escort.

At one stage the police had called for reinforcements to head towards Bassendean Oval as the signs were there of some possible eruptions.

Royals coach Robert Solin set the scene at three-quarter time when he stormed up to the umpires relaxing in the middle and demanded to know who was in charge.

When told that they couldn't answer any questions from a coach and that it would be in his best interests to depart, Solin marched back to the players — as Royals officials worked overtime to stop some angry fans advancing on the umpires.

While umpires officials don't relish heated situations, it was somewhat of a relief to find that the attention had swung away from Subiaco, at least.

The Lions were on the wrong end of some questionable umpiring decisions in a couple of recent outings and they must have been relieved that the officiating didn't cost them victory against Perth.

One man the club wasn't happy about is Robbie Butler, who was in charge for two consecutive weeks.

Battle for pokies

SOME South Australian football clubs are still eyeing their Victorian colleagues off with envious looks when it comes to poker machines in their premises.

While pokies are just about everywhere in Melbourne these days, clubs like Norwood are becoming increasingly frustrated at the delays in introducing the gaming machines.

Norwood claim they are

losing \$2000 in interest each month after gearing up to introduce pokies on September 1, 1993, as agreed by the State Government and their Football Commission.

What's on at your club

Claremont

Saturday, June 18: Dinner Dance Cruise, presentations on board, leaves East St Jetty, Fremantle, 7pm; \$30 members and \$20 players, includes dinner, drinks and DJ.
Wednesday, July 13: Past Players and Officials quiz night with compere Gerard Neesham; 7.45pm, tickets \$5.
Sunday, July 31: Banquet Auction.

East Fremantle

Friday night meals: 6.30pm carvery, \$7.50, Jackpot every Friday, \$20 week. You must be at the 7.15pm draw to claim your prize.

Subiaco

Post-match presentations in the social hall, 6pm. Bar open Thursday evenings.

Swan Districts

Wednesday, July 6: Colts quiz night.

South Fremantle

Saturday, June 11: 100th Year Ball, at the Esplanade Hotel, Fremantle, 8pm till midnight, tickets \$50 includes meal.

Perth

Saturday, June 11: Cabaret, Lathlain Park, 7.30pm-11.30pm, featuring 'Saphire Dance Band' and a special guest appearance by 'Elvis Presley', BYO supper, \$5 ticket.

West Coast Eagles

Half-time entertainment for June 12 v Brisbane is sponsored by Optus Communications. Spectators can win one of five mobile phones; entry forms at the gate.

Friday, July 2: Players Revue, at the Perth Superdrome, tickets \$25, from the Supporters Club.

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Royals, Demons share flags with Sharks

EAST Perth and Perth made a welcome return to power in under-age football when they helped break the East Fremantle strangle-hold in the KFC State junior championships at the weekend.

The Sharks, who won all three grades, in last year's carnival, came out of the 1994 championships with one premiership, the 14s.

East Perth had their first win for many years with victory in the 13s grand final, while Perth achieved success in the 15s.

More than 600 junior footballers, including country players from the various WAFL zones, competed in the KFC Championships, which started back on April 27 and culminated in three days of action over the long weekend.

The Royals 13s side gave coach Steve Duxbury his first flag in three attempts after beating Perth 5.2 to 2.8 in a closely-fought grand final that saw little separating the sides until the final term.

Busselton boy Kane Yates won the match ball for best-on-ground, supported by Ryan Taylor and Scott Goldsmith, with Matthew Bennetts kicking two goals.

Best for the Demons were Ryan Daly, Paul Jackson and Todd Ferridge.

The Royals had to survive a tough qualifying series, beating South Fremantle and Swan Districts before a draw with West Perth.

STRONG SHARKS

East Fremantle had three comfortable wins in the 14s grade — over Subiaco, Claremont and Perth — before downing Swans in a tight grand final.

The victory maintained the Sharks winning run, with last year's 13s side now advancing a grade and still remain undefeated for coach Ken Ferguson.

Swans showed good form to make the final under coach Joe Both, beating West Perth, East Perth and South Fremantle and they stayed with the Sharks for the first half, before fading under some hard running by their rivals.

Best for the Sharks were Phil Stotten, who claimed the match ball as best-afield, Scott Bennett and Aaron Glass, with Wes Martin kicking two goals.

For Swans, Garth Taylor continued the superb form he showed throughout the series to be his team's best, backed up by Wesley Young and Robert Campo, with Daniel Johnson kicking three goals.

TWO CHANCES

Perth had to beat the strong Claremont camp twice in the 15s competition before claiming the flag.

The much-improved Demons played impressive football for coach Neil Bonetti, beating the Tigers by two points, 10.8 to 10.6, in an early match, but proving more decisive in Monday's grand final, winning 15.10 to 6.5.

Best for the Demons were Broc Agnew, Jamie Garlett and Russell Riley, while Claremont's good players were Si-

THE RESULTS

RESULTS of the KFC State junior championships are as follows:

13s — POOL A: Perth 12.17 b Claremont 3.0; East Frem 11.11 b Subiaco 8.4; East Frem 5.8 b Claremont 1.2; Perth 7.8 b Subiaco 2.3; Perth 6.6 b East Frem 3.7; Subiaco 6.7 b Claremont 5.3; **POOL B:** Swan Dist 5.7 b West Perth 3.5; East Perth 5.7 b South Frem 3.4; West Perth 5.8 b South Frem 4.6; East Perth 4.7 b Swan Dist 1.4; Swan Dist 6.11 b South Frem 5.5; East Perth 4.9 drew with West Perth 5.3.

GRAND FINAL: East Perth 5.2 b Perth 2.8. **GOALS —** East Perth: Bennett 2; Grieve, W. Wallem, D. Wallem. Perth: Woods, Dobson. **BEST —** East Perth: Yates, Taylor, Goldsmith. **PERTH:** Daly, Jackson, Ferridge.

14s — POOL A: Perth 15.9 b Claremont 9.4; East Frem 14.13 b Subiaco 6.7; East Frem 12.13 b Claremont 3.0; Perth 9.9 b Subiaco 5.8; East Frem 12.12 b Perth 2.3; Claremont 11.18 b Subiaco 3.5. **POOL B:** Swan Dist 17.17 b West Perth 3.4; South Frem 12.9 b East Perth 4.6; West Perth 5.5 b South Frem 3.4; Swan Dist 7.11 b East Perth 1.5; Swan Dist 14.18 b South Frem 2.7. East Perth 11.6 b West Perth 6.5.

GRAND FINAL: East Fremantle 10.10 b Swan Districts 6.8. **GOALS —** East Frem: Martin 2. Swan Dist: Johnson 3. **BEST:** East Frem: Stotten, Bennett, Glass. Swan Dist: Taylor, Young, R. Campo.

15s POOL A: Claremont 16.14 b Subiaco 6.6; Perth 15. b East Frem 6.11; Subiaco 12.13 b Perth 7.10; Claremont 10.4 b East Frem 5.6; Perth 10.8 b Claremont 10.6; East Frem 10.7 b Swan Dist 9.5. **POOL B:** South Frem 13.10 b Swan Dist 8.5; East Perth 12.11 b West Perth 9.4; East Perth 10.10 b Swan Dist 4.9; South Frem 10.9 b West Perth 3.8; West Perth 9.7 b Swan Dist 8.7; South Frem 11.6 b East Perth 7.6. **CROSSOVERS:** East Frem 9.17 b West Perth 3.3; Subiaco 11.18 b Swan Dist 2.2; Claremont 14.3 b East Perth 10.6; Perth 11.5 b South Frem 6.5.

PLAY-OFFS: (3rd v 4th) East Perth 6.13 b South Frem 4.10; (5th v 6th) Subiaco 10.5 b East Frem 7.6; (7th v 8th) West Perth 12.7 b Swan Dist 9.6.

GRAND FINAL: Perth 15.10 b Claremont 6.5. **BEST —** Perth: Agnew, Garlett, Riley. Claremont: Howard, Hillman, Pell.

mon Howard, Russell Hillman and Michael Pell.

The Tigers, coached by the club's football manager Phil Smart, did well to make the premiership play-off after their early loss, downing the unbeaten East Perth side to make the grand final.



SHARP SHARK... East Fremantle 14s premiership coach Ken Ferguson congratulates his best player, Philip Stotten



TOP EFFORT... Adam Ashdown was a happy winner after the Royals 14s side beat West Perth

Family ties

THERE were some strong family ties in the Subiaco camp as the KFC junior championships were contested over the weekend.

Subiaco, who have a solid junior development programme running in the northern suburbs, had six players following in the footsteps of their fathers.

Sam Randall, Tyson Davenport, Shane Joyce and Mark Hamilton are the sons of former Lions players Neil, Fred, Bevan and Alex respectively, while Clint Ray is the son of East Perth and Perth player Mick and Chris Uncle is the offspring of former top Claremont goalkicker, Norm.

Ironically, two other famous Subiaco names featured in the West Perth line-ups through zoning — Andrew Dimmer (son of John, also of East Perth) and Nathan Featherby (son of Peter).

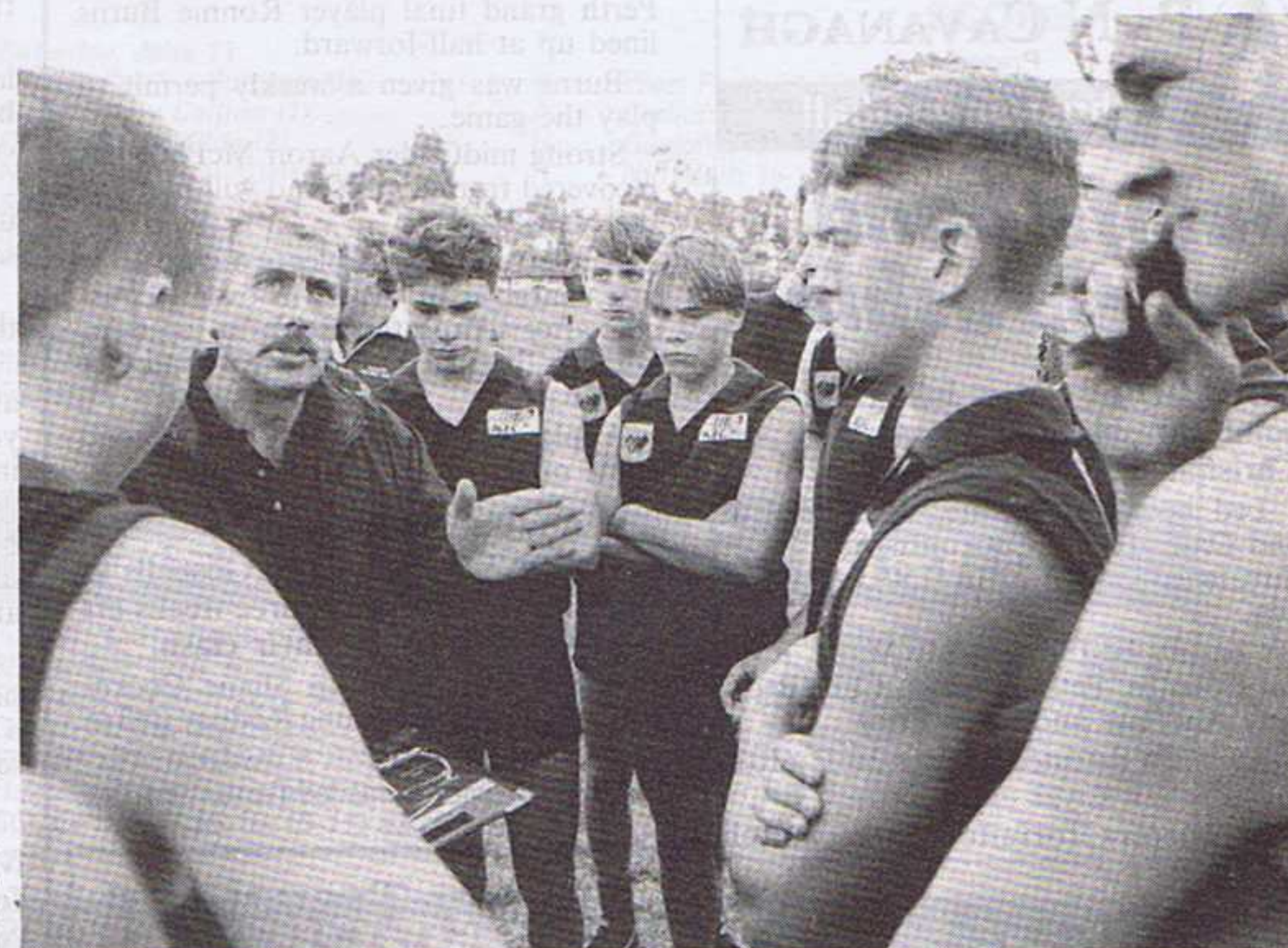
Former Perth champion Bryan Cousins watched his son Matthew play in East Fremantle colours, while another Demon in Steve Hargrave had son Ryan wearing his old guernsey.

Swans had Dean McDonald playing in the 13s side coached by father Gary, with the club's general manager and former player Brian Close having son Jarrod in that team also.

There was even a Neesham (John) in East Fremantle colours.



ROYAL REWARD... Kane Yates receives his best-afield trophy from East Perth 13s coach Steve Duxbury after their grand final win over Perth



RIGHT WAY... Perth coach Neil Bonetti shows his 15s side the way to victory

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Tough clashes expected after bye

KELMSCOTT and Canning clash in the Sunday Football League match of the day at John Dunn Oval this week.

Both teams are on the rebound after disappointing losses in round seven.

After last week's bye, when most clubs held fundraising social functions, they are both close to full strength.

Bulldogs coach Chris Uchtman said he was expecting a tough game.

"We will hold two meetings during the week," Uchtman said.

Uchtman will hold fitness tests on Thursday night for Troy Davis (calf and thigh), Steve Kendall (ankle) and Steve



FRESH LEGS . . . veteran ruckman Shane Cocker is enjoying great form with Osborne Park

Noteboom (knee) to decide whether they will line up on Sunday.

Canning coach Ron Wilcox said Kelmscott would provide an interesting clash.

David Hewitt, Justin Tolan and Travis Underwood should all return to the Tigers line-up after two weeks out.

Canning's class should prove too much for Kelmscott, but the Bulldogs home ground advantage will make them earn it.

★★★★★

SOUTH Perth are coming off a good win over Thornlie to take on Armadale at Gwynne Park.

Adame Drake-Brockman kept Ray Ewen frustrated in the Thornlie clash and is always reliable in defence.

David Lyons and Troy Wilson are starting to look good in attack again and Mat Bateman is in fine touch in the midfield.

Armadale's home ground advantage should prove too much for South Perth.

★★★★★

THORNIE will be keen for victory against Wanneroo after dropping out of the five last week.

Sean Pearce and Peter Johnson have been superb in defence, while captain Randall Prowse rarely turns the ball over and is responsible for many of Thornlie's attacking moves.

And Brett Bonetti has a turn of pace few Sunday footballers can match.

For Wanneroo, Michael Evans hit good form against Gosnells in round seven, kicking seven goals in slippery conditions.

This game will be a good one, but Thornlie should rebound to win the clash.

★★★★★

KENWICK take on Applecross at Mills Park with both teams coming off good wins before the bye.

The Hawks pulled off a coup in their win over Kelmscott when 1993 West Perth grand final player Ronnie Burns lined up at half-forward.

Burns was given a weekly permit to play the game.

Strong midfielder Aaron McPhee has recovered from a virus and will play for the Hawks.

Applecross showed plenty of discipline and character in their win over Kelmscott after setting themselves a target of winning five in a row to have a chance at the finals.

Applecross should win the second game of their target on Sunday.

★★★★★

OSBORNE Park take on Gosnells at Balcatta Reserve after three weeks off and will be fresh for their clash.

Experienced ruckman Shane Cocker will line-up against young Rodney Bell in an interesting duel.

Greg Carpenter has led from the front

for Osborne Park this year, while Wade Taseff, Alex Casella and Paul Sanzone have been regulars in the best players.

The return of Mark Dominish, Steven Davis and Stan Ward made a big difference to Gosnells in round seven when they matched Wanneroo for three quarters.

Osborne Park should have too much class for Gosnells in this clash.

★★★★★

WILLETTON are confident of winning their clash with lowly Maddington at Burrendah Reserve.

The Blues are coming off a good win over Canning in round eight thanks to players like Ron Burton, Steve Perejmbida and Dereck Doyle.

Captain Paul Kujawski, David Glass and Chris Bayliss give Willetton plenty of class and they should see heaps of the ball on Sunday.

Maddington, on the other hand, have had a terrible start to the season and are already looking to 1995.

Kalamunda have the bye and will prepare for their clash against Wanneroo next week.



PACESETTER . . . captain-coach Arthur Maskos is working to get Thornlie back in the five

Belmont demolish unbeaten Midland

BELMONT went a game clear on top of the Sunday Football Amateurs table after a good win over the previously undefeated Midland last week.

Bombers coach Ian Jones made special mention of ruck-rover Gary Daniels, half-back Jason Haas, runner Jamie Dineen and midfielder Michael Wood after the victory.

Jones said his side got away from Midland twice during the game, but their better shooting at goal allowed them to come back.

"After the game I told the players not to get carried away with the win," Jones said.

"We have to play them again so I want the players to stay focussed."

Next week, Belmont take on Kingsley and Jones said he would try several younger players while giving sore and injured regulars a rest.

Kingsley had a good hit-out with North Fremantle last week thanks to players like the Starr brothers, Darrin and Jason and Mike Newman.

Tigers coach Rowan Carson will have his players revved up to give the top side a scare, but it's hard to see Belmont losing this clash.

★★★★★

MOSMAN Park gave Cockburn a football lesson last week and will attempt to repeat the dose against North Fremantle.

Mosman Park captain-coach Clint Roberts said he would field the same team.

"We beat them (North Fremantle) easy the first time we played," Roberts said.

"But they've won some impressive games since and I think they will be a lot tougher this time."

Roberts said he has been happy with players like rover Chris Mealor, ruckman Brad Hewson and half-back Mal Winmar.

"They beat us in the last game, but we've got a different set up in the for-

ward line now and more run," Hansen said.

Rover Billy Hargreaves, centre Lance Pickett and ruck-rover Albert Fernandez have been work-horses for North Fremantle this year.

Mosman Park are favourites to win.

★★★★★

COCKBURN will be on the rebound when they take on Manning.

The Saints are confident of beating Manning with centreman Robbie Collica playing a good brand of football.

Joe Ferraro played well on Clint Roberts last week and Lew Medden had plenty of possessions as a loose man in defence.

Manning have fresh legs after a bye last week and will field a strong side.

Manning are favourites but it will be a close one.

★★★★★

Midland have the bye this week and will regroup after suffering their first loss of the season.

Change of ground

This week's Sunday Amateurs clash between Kingsley and Belmont will be played at Robinson Reserve, Royal Street, Osborne Park.

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COCKBURN Saints inflicted a 136-point thrashing on Coastals in the Christian Football Association.

Led by Dean Wynne, Leong Harris and Dale Hyden, Cockburn were never threatened in their 22.18 (150) to 2.2 (14) win.

Coastals best were Andy Milne, Randal Coombs, Peter Windus, Clint Beck, Guy Andrews and Luke Prior.

Kwinana defeated Metros 16.11 (107) to 7.15 (57).

Wanderers forfeited their match against AEF.

Cockburn Saints remain on top of the CFA ladder, which reads:

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PRESENTS ...

C GRADE

SCARBOROUGH and Wanneroo, two sides fighting to bridge the gap on the top five sides, fought out a thriller at Millington Reserve, with Scarborough getting home by one point.

Despite a brilliant game from Wanneroo centreman Ian Russell, Scarborough won 9.9 (63) to 9.8 (62). Other good players for Wanneroo were Gammer and Woods, with Langland kicking four goals.

Struggling Mt Lawley showed signs of improvement when they proved more desperate than fourth-placed Brentwood to score a 19-point win at Hamer Park, after trailing by 23 points at the first change.

Centreman Darren McGilvray, rover Mark Ellis and full-back Brad Wenn played well for Brentwood, with Darren Rourke kicking four goals.

Bayswater took full advantage of their clash with bottom side Osborne Districts to notch a 77-point win and stay in fifth position.

Shaun Montague was outstanding in

the midfield in his first game for the season; Paul Carlson was dominant in the ruck, with support from Mark Bascombe.

Others to play well for Bayswater were centreman Chris Jeakings, Jacob Bishop and Alan Leslie at full-back.

D GRADE

In a game dominated by backlines, Lynwood-Ferndale registered a seven-point win over Cowan University, thanks to goal-front accuracy.

Fitzgerald dominated at centre-half-back for Lynwood, supported by Hoo-gendyk and Doyle, while Cooper kicked four goals.

Melville went to Light Street Reserve and came home with a 13-point win over Dianella-Morley to stay equal top with Lynwood.

Centreman Frank Dullard was Melville's best, with half-back Sean Farrell and back pocket Robbie Butterfield suited by the wet conditions. Dennis Doak kicked four goals.

Swan View notched their first premiership points for the season with a fighting 16-point win over University, at McGillivray Oval.

Just two points separated the sides at half-time, but Swan View finished the stronger with Fred Haynes roving well, Jason Firkins efficient in attack and Justin Stephenson playing a sterling captain's game at half-back.

North Beach had an impressive 54-point win over Nollamara, with Bruce Rocke kicking six goals and best players being Geoff Bush, Luke Befumo and Mike Lees.

E GRADE

Coolbinia-Yokine, who are striving for top spot, took advantage of a weakened Mt Lawley to score a percentage-boosting 131-point win over their arch-rivals.

Ruck-rover Brad Gray, rover Craig Cossens and Trevor Leach all played well, with Gray kicking six goals.

Top side Coolbellup kept the momentum rolling with a 21-point win over Wembley in a competitive game at College Park.

Craig McDonald, Sean Sargent and Justin Dyson — filling in as a ruckman — did well for Wembley, with Dean Stitchling kicking five goals.

F GRADE

Bottom side Carlisle broke through for their first win of the season, scraping home to beat fourth-placed Hamersley-Carline by three points.

Carlisle dominated the second quarter, but kicked a wasteful 5.8 to lead by 12 points at the major break.

Hamersley also wasted chances in attack, kicking 4.7, but they trailed by two points and looked confident going into the final term.

But strong play by centre-half-forward Phil Stott, ruck rover Terry Dunlea and defender Glen Pinkerton led them to a much-deserved win.

G GRADE

Bullcreek-Leeming stunned the higher-ranked North Beach in the first half to cause a 57-point upset at Beasley Reserve.

Centreman Scott Combes and wingers Darren Fletcher and Dave King were dominant as the Bombers moved to a 10-goal half-time lead.

Jamie Graeth kicked eight goals and Gary Boyes and Andy McCarthy four each for Bullcreek.

Bayswater withstood a last-quarter fightback from gallant Warnbro Swans to win by two points at Warnbro.

Forwards Ron Cox, Paul Bagshaw and Max Nundle grabbed many opportunities as the Blues opened up a 28-point three-quarter time lead.

The Swans stormed home, but fell agonisingly short of victory.

Unbeaten Forrestfield crushed an under-manned Nollamara, with Leonard Woods kicking 11 goals.

H GRADE

Ruckman Bruce Foxall kicked seven goals to be best-afield in Old Guildfordians 92-point win over North Fremantle at Guildford.

Geoff Pottier played his 200th game of amateur football in Scarborough's 44-point win over Wanneroo.

I GRADE

Second-bottom side Hamersley-Carline almost caused a big upset over top-of-the-ladder Cowan Uni.

Cowan let themselves down with inaccurate goalkicking in a tricky wind, but held on for a 10-point win to help celebrate Gary Hancock's 250th game.

Half-back John Marsh and centreman Boyd Partridge were Cowan Uni's best players.

Coolbinia-Yokine broke away from Ocean Ridge in the final quarter to score a 33-point win.

Ruckman Glen Birdseye, ruck-rover Garry Lendich and centre-half-back Darren Bond were the winning side's best players.

Brentwood beat bottom side Wesley-Curtin by 43 points at Karoonda with ruck-rover Frazer, winger McGowan and forward pocket Neates best for the winners.

J GRADE

Forrestfield kicked away in the second-half after a tight opening to beat Balcatta by 25 points.

The winning effort was triggered by ruckman Karl Prattley, utility Troy Potter and back pocket Tom Rasmussen.

Unbeaten Whitfords had to work hard to overcome a determined Swanview.

Swan View got within two goals in the final term through the gallant efforts of ruckman Dave White, half-back Rodney Finch and rover Jeremy Howell.

Wanneroo could not overcome the higher-placed Carlisle at Ocean Reef Park, losing 9.6 (60) to 15.15 (105).

Wanneroo defender Peter Weir withstood constant pressure to be his side's best player.

K GRADE

A big opening half lifted Cockburn Lakes to a 120-point win over Bullcreek-Leeming at Peter Ellis Reserve.

Coolbellup beat Brentwood by 23 points, 20.10 (130) to 17.5 (107).

Emu Export presents Amateur premierships tables

A GRADE							H GRADE								
P	W	L	F	A	PTS		P	W	L	F	A	PTS			
WEMBLEY	8	7	1	970	661	146.75	28	HIGH WYCOMBE	7	7	0	1212	311	389.71	28
SCARBOROUGH	8	6	2	786	552	142.39	24	DIAN/MORLEY	7	6	1	893	384	232.55	24
WEST COAST	8	6	2	843	646	130.50	24	SCARBOROUGH	7	5	2	773	295	262.03	20
UNIVERSITY	8	6	2	809	662	122.21	24	OLD GUILDFORD	7	5	2	792	423	187.23	20
NOLLAMARA	8	5	3	852	706	120.68	20	E FREMANTLE	7	5	2	794	515	154.17	20
North Beach	8	3	5	725	698	103.87	12	Mt Lawley	7	4	3	627	593	105.73	16
Mt Lawley	8	2	6	644	767	86.57	8	Wanneroo	7	2	5	564	854	66.04	8
Trinity Aquinas	8	2	6	650	948	68.57	8	C.B.C.	7	1	6	398	817	48.71	4
Coll/Old Scotch	8	2	6	573	865	66.24	8	North Fremantle	7	0	7	377	1011	37.29	0
North Fremantle	8	1	7	617	984	62.70	4	West Coast	7	0	7	194	1421	13.65	0

B GRADE							I GRADE								
P	W	L	F	A	PTS		P	W	L	F	A	PTS			
BASSEDEAN	8	7	1	900	587	153.32	28	BRENTWOOD	7	6	1	946	528	179.17	24
C.B.C.	8	6	2	985	507	194.28	24	COWAN UNI	6	5	1	775	399	194.24	20
HAM/LEY/CARINE	8	5	3	850	590	144.07	20	LYN'D/FRNDALE	6	5	1	739	475	155.58	20
WESLEY CURTIN	8	5	3	870	619	140.55	20	MELVILLE	7	5	2	636	622	102.25	20
SWAN ATHLETIC	8	4	4	773	684	113.01	16	BASSEDEAN	7	4	3	708	707	100.14	16
Whitford	8	4	4	692	652	106.13	16	Ocean Ridge	7	3	4	799	597	133.84	12
Wembley	8	4	4	740	736	100.54	16	Coolbinia-Yokine	7	2	5	429	600	71.50	8
Dianella/Morley	8	3	5	712	685	103.94	12	Coll/Old Scotch	6	2	4	305	592	51.52	8
University	8	2	6	499	863	57.82	8	Hamersley Carine	6	1	5	407	874	46.57	4
Innaloo	8	0	8	256	1354	18.91	0	Wesley Curtin	7	0	7	441	787	56.04	0

C GRADE							J GRADE								
P	W	L	F	A	PTS		P	W	L	F	A	PTS			
C BURN LAKES	8	7	1	819	450	182.00	28	WHITFORD	7	7	0	932	332	280.72	28
REDCLIFFE	8	6	2	838	536	156.34	24	FORRESTFIELD	6	5	1	629	361	174.24	20
BULL/LEEMING	8	6	2	825	662	124.62	24	DIAN/MORLEY	6	4	2	724	480	150.83	16
BAYSWATER	8	5	3	853	658	129.64	20	WEMBLEY	6	4	2	540	554	97.47	16
BRENTWOOD	8	4	4	762	645	118.14	16	BALCATTA	6	3	3	682	576	118.40	12
Wanneroo	8	4	4	746	725	102.90	16	Carlisle	7	3	4	603	894	67.45	12
Scarborough	8	4	4	583	732	79.64	16	Swan View	6	1	5	495	718	68.94	4
Mt Lawley	8	2	6	553	856	64.60	8	Wanneroo	6	1	5	387	655	59.08	4
Trinity Aquinas	8	1	7	605	996	60.74	4	Osborne District	6	1	5	364	786	46.31	4
Osborne District	8	1	7	510	898	56.79	4								

D GRADE							K GRADE								
P	W	L	F	A	PTS		P	W	L	F	A	PTS			
LYN'D/FRNDALE	7	6	1	776	465	166.88	24	FORRESTDALE	6	6	0	892	252	353.97	24
MELVILLE	7	6	1	746	532	140.23	24	NOLLAMARA	6	5	1	548	423	129.55	20
NORTH BEACH	7	5	2	734	475	154.53	20	HIGH WYCOMBE	4	3	1	376	140	268.57	12
BALCATTA	7	5	2	812	528	153.79	20	COOLBELLUP	6	3	3	615	651	94.47	12
WEST COAST	7	4	3	564	594	94.95	16	TRINITY AQUINAS	5	3	2	384	471	81.53	12
Cowan University	7	3	3	698	611	114.24	14	Cockburn Lakes	6	2	4	428	503	85.09	8
Dianella/Morley	7	2	5	497	682	72.87	8	Brentwood	7	2	5	567	679	83.51	8
Nollamara	7	1	5	592	782	75.70	6	Warnbro Swans	5	1	4	325	450	72.22	4
University	7	1	6	549	904	60.73	4	Bullcreek Leeming	7	1	6	384	950	40.42	4
Swan View	7	1	6	450	845	53.25	4								

E GRADE							COLTS								
P	W	L	F	A	PTS		P	W	L	F	A	PTS			
COOL-YOKINE	7	6	1	808	431	187.47	24	A GRADE							
COOLBELLUP	7	6	1	969	604	160.43	24	UNIVERSITY	8	8	0	1082	236	458.47	32
BANK WEST	7	5	2	721	501	143.91	20	NORTH BEACH	8	8	0	1030	303	339.93	32
W.P. HELLENICS	7	5	2	738	548	134.67	20	SCARBOROUGH	8	5	3	711	567	125.40	20
BASSEDEAN	7	4	2	842	474	177.64	18	WEST COAST	8	4	4	527	694	75.94	16
St Norberts	7	3	3	522	633	82.46	14	WEMBLEY	8	3	5	586	619	94.67	12
C.B.C.	7	2	5	520	702	74.07	8	North Fremantle	8	3	5	536	678	79.06	12
Wembley	7	1	6	467	717	65.13	4	Nollamara	8	3	5	496	719	68.98	12
Wesley Curtin	7	1	6	496	783	63.35	4	Trinity Aquinas	8	3	5	406	721	56.31	12
Mt Lawley	7	1	6	359	1049	34.22	4	Coll/Old Scotch	8	2	6	436	800	54.50	8

F GRADE							B GRADE								
P	W	L	F	A	PTS		P	W	L	F	A	PTS			
UNIVERSITY	7	7	0	1032	427	241.69	28	C.B.C.	8	7	1	787	348	226.15	28
OCEAN RIDGE	7	6	1	867	438	197.95	24	COWAN UNI	8	5	3	589	382	154.19	20
SWAN ATHLETIC	7	5	2	839	544	154.23	20	WHITFORD	8	5	3	576	385	149.61	20
HAMM/CARINE	7	4	3	732	545	134.31	16	SWAN ATHLETIC	8	5	3	549	508	108.07	20
NTH FREMANTLE	7	4	3	611	527	115.94	16	H'LEY CARINE	8	5	3	543	552	98.37	20
Cockburn Lakes	7	3	4	655	687	95.34	12	Wesley Curtin	8	4	4	619	525	117.90	16
Mundaring Hills	7	2	5	457	678	67.40	8	University	8	4	4	573	498	115.06	16
Whitford	7	2	5	489	733	66.71	8	Bassendean	8	3	5	465	679	68.48	12
Carlisle	7	1	6	454	984	46.14	4	Dianella/Morley	8	1	7	462	643	71.85	4
Coll/Old Scotch	7	1	6	341	914	37.31	4	Innaloo	8	1	7	276	919	30.03	4

Tight scrap for Nollamara and others



NOLLAMARA had to fight hard to overcome a determined North Beach at Charles Riley Reserve before running out 28-point winners.

Norths started strongly to kick the first two goals before Nollamara got on the board.

At quarter-time, the difference was only two points in Norths favour.

They kept a slight edge at the main break as neither team were able to break away.

However, Nollamara made a move early in the third term and looked as though they may run over the top of their opponents before North Beach kicked back to again be in front at the last change.

The final quarter belonged to the visitors as Nollamara kicked the first five goals and then held that lead until the final siren.

Best for Nollamara were Gordon Cole, Chris Davies and full-back Nathan Loaring.

By **DAVID EGGLESTON**

North Beach had good players in Tim Coaker, Steve McQuillan and Dave Chandler.

GRIM FIGHT

SCARBOROUGH hung on grimly to inflict a five point defeat on unbeaten Wembley.

After an even first half when both backlines were on top, the lead sea-sawed.

Scarborough had slightly more scoring opportunities but couldn't convert in front of goals.

Wembley controlled the game in the third quarter and held the lead with only one term remaining before Scarborough got on top with only moments to go.

They snatched a five point lead with 30 seconds remaining and held on to win.

Back-pocket Chris Lee was Wembley's best, along with Jamie Ferguson and ruckman Adam Clark.

Best for Scarborough were Craig Dawson, Stuart Bristow and Bruce Bennett.

FOGGY WIN

WEST Coast did not have it all their own way against Trinity Aquinas.

The game was of high standard to half time with both teams in a position to take the four premierships points.

In the second half however, the game became scrappy and West Coast were able to pull away.

In the final term, moisture came out of the ground and created a fog which made conditions difficult for both teams.

West Coast full-forward Kim Rigoll maintained his good form with five goals to be his side's best, along with Gerrard Chipperfield and John Wild.

Andrew Maughan, Shaun Brown and Beau Langer played well for Trinity Aquinas.

NEAR UPSET

COLLEGIANS Old Scotch looked like causing an upset against Mt Lawley before the Hawks scraped home by a goal.

It was even most of the game, with both teams squandering opportunities up forward.

Collegians kicked the first two goals in the final term to go nine points in front, but Mt Lawley fought back to the lead with five minutes left and held on to win.

Best for Mt Lawley were Royce Grant, Anthony McAleer and Wayne Smithall.

Collegians best included Andrew Hutton, Ben McInnes and Justin Edmonson.

UNIVERSITY ran out comfortable 40 point winners over North Fremantle.

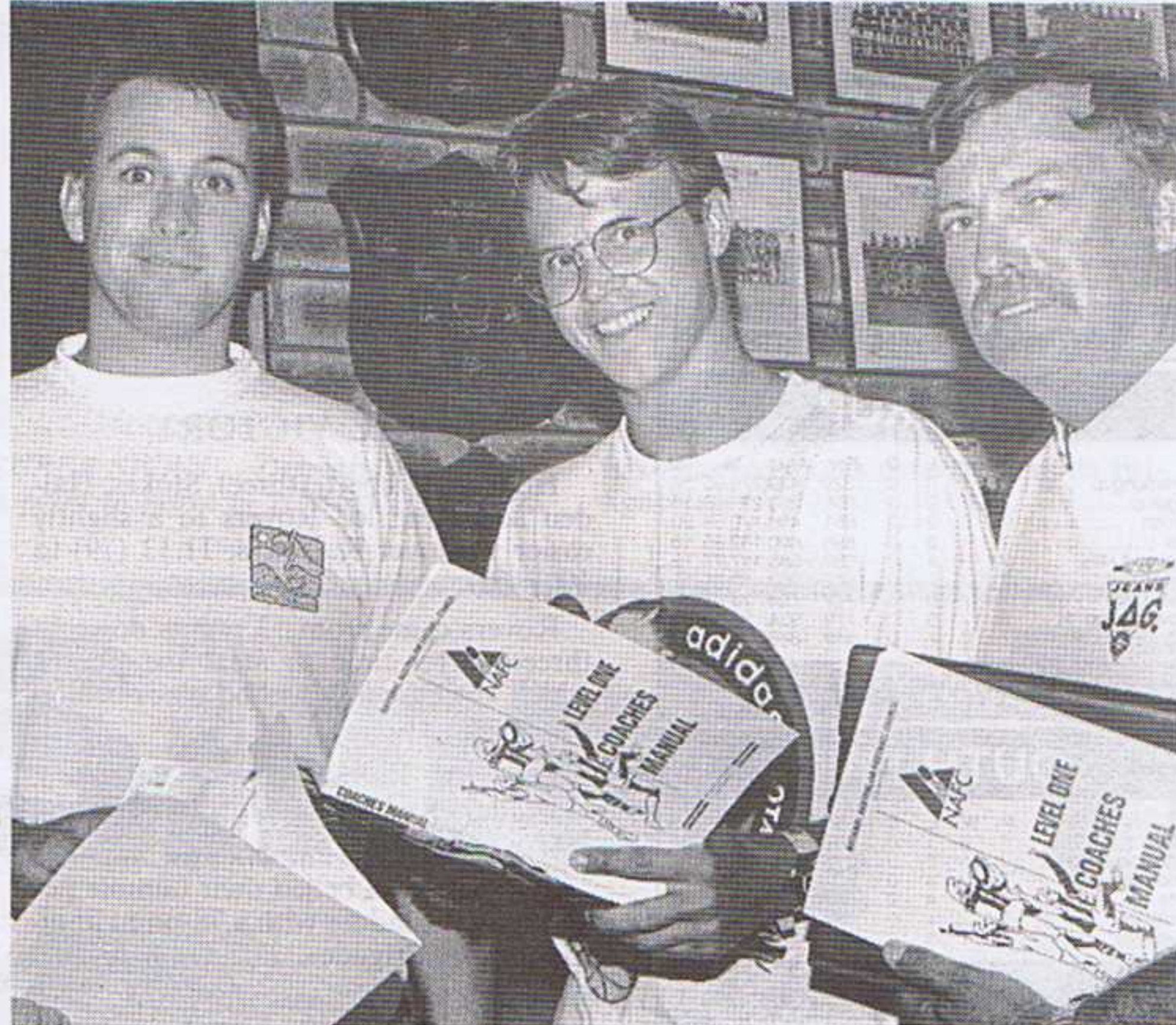
THIS WEEK

MT LAWLEY are at home to Trinity Aquinas at Hamer Park and should win another close game.

Wembley will return to the winners circle at the expense of North Fremantle at Henderson Park.

Nollamara should account for Collegians Old Scotch at Des Penman Oval.

University will be too strong for North Beach at McGillivray Oval and Scarborough should be too good for West Coast at Millington Reserve.



Learning how to be better coaches is the aim of the people involved with the WA Amateur Football League and pictured at a recent seminar are (from left) Mt Lawley's A-grade coach Paul Wrensted, Football Development Trust co-ordinator Peter Rogers and Keith Dawson, of the Dianella-Morley club

Coca-Cola presents COLTS CORNER

A STRONG second half lifted Scarborough to a 50-point win over Wembley in A-grade colts.

Wembley clawed their way to within seven points of Scarborough in the second term, but faded badly.

Wembley's best were Justin Moir with three goals, ruckman Greg Scobie and back pocket Simon Clark.

North Beach scored a comfortable 15 goal victory over Nollamara.

Damon McAullay and Brad Stephen kicked four goals each to be North's best

while Nollamara's best were Rick Lambly, David Cox and Gary Fisher.

Mt Lawley outplayed Collegians Old Scotch to win by 20 points.

Best for Collegians were midfielder Glen Head, Damon Beros and Nikki Merrylees.

University remained undefeated when they easily accounted for North Fremantle by 78 points.

And despite poor shooting, Trinity Aquinas hung on to beat West Coast by 20 points.

In B grade, Edith Cowan couldn't avenge last year's grand final loss when they went down to Swan Athletic by three points.

Innaloo won a nailbiter against Whitfords by two points, University beat Dianella Morley by seven points, CBC accounted for Bassendean by seven goals and Wesley Curtin were too good for Hamersley Carine and won by 44 points.

Wanneroo lost controversially to Warnbro by 11 points after being 60 up at half-time in C-colts.

The Roos had their entire score deleted in the third quarter for having too many players on the field.

Ocean Ridge easily won the northern derby when they thrashed North Beach by 96 points.

Strong side for carnival

THE West Australian Amateur Football League has selected a strong squad to contest the Australian national championships in Melbourne.

Coach Paul Rafter, who guided WA to the title in the last championship, has a number of former WAFL players at his disposal.

The 26-strong squad is:

Wembley: Grant Ryan, Glenn O'Donnell, Adam Clark, Simon McPhee, Ben Howard, James Ferguson.

Nollamara: Jeff Schofield, Glenn McCullum, Chris Davies, Matt Cullen, Dean Wilson.

Scarborough: Ian Putt, Tony Fullgrabe, John Blackburn.

North Beach: Gavin Perry, Dane Chandler, Steve Sadowski.

University: Nick Stone, Jeremy Pell.
West Coast: Kim Rigoll, Jarrod Chipperfield.

Collegians Old Scotch: Geoff Newman.
Hamersley Carine: Sean King.

Wesley Curtin: Rex Carlshausen.
North Fremantle: Jamie Connelly.

Wanneroo: John Langlands.

Know your club

COCKBURN LAKES

Colours: Red, white and blue, red socks, blue shorts.

Ground: Anning Park, Thomas Street and Forrest Road, South Lake.

Grades: C, F and K.

C-grade coach: David Kahl.

Contact: Mr R. Cartwright, P.O. Box 143, Jandakot 6164. (Club) 417 2606.

COOLBELLUP

Colours: Blue and white horizontal stripes, blue and white hoop socks, navy/black shorts.

Ground: Tempest Park, Prospero Crescent, Coolbellup.

Grades: E and K.

E-grade coach: Danny Ford.

Contact: Ms R. Minson, 25 Hartley Road, Coolbellup 6163. (H) 337 4330.

COLLEGIANS OLD SCOTCH

Colours: Navy blue with red and gold band, red socks, navy blue shorts.

Ground: Dalkeith Oval, Beatrice Road, Dalkeith.

Grades: A, F, I and A-colts.

A-grade coach: Shane Ellis.

Contact: Mr A. Posniak, P.O. Box 245, Claremont 6010. (W) 481 1010 (H) 384 8161.

COWAN UNIVERSITY

Colours: Dark blue, red and gold bands, black socks, black shirts.

Ground: Newman College Oval, Tuscan Way, Churchlands.

Grades: D, I and B-colts.

D-grade coach:

Contact: Mr D. Thompson, P.O. Box 1318, West Perth 6872. (W) 322 3744 (H) 381 7647.

COOLBINIA-YOKINE

Colours: Black, red and white, black, red and white socks, black shorts.

Ground: Coolbinia Oval, Wordsworth Avenue, Yokine.

Grades: E and I.

Contact: Mrs C. Pegrum, P.O. Box 2303, Malaga 6062. (W) 246 2255 (H) 444 8220.

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Defence pilots Rovers to win

ROVERS defence held firm in a fierce Central Midlands Coastal game against Jurien Bay.

Player-of-the-match Shane Rodan led his team to the upset 11.14 (80) to 6.13 (55) win over the second placed Bulldogs. He was well supported by Shane Murray, Greg Manning, Glenn Wyatt (five goals), Anthony King, Travis Dunn, Shane Porter and Graeme Comerford (four).

For the Bulldogs, Jon Hunter, Drarg Richards, Ross West, Greg Percival and Jim Waters (four goals) tried hardest. Cervantes kept alive their final four hopes with a comfortable win over Warriors, 17.24 (126) to 12.9 (81).

The Tiger Sharks Peter Ware showed his class, with help from Mike Milliken, Ian Percival, Fintan McGuire (six) and Jason Gawor.

League leaders Bindi Miling demolished Leeman by 204 points, 35.11 (221) to 2.5 (17).

The Bombers won almost every position, but Revis Ryder was adjudged best-on-ground ahead of Stan Moody, Paul Tierney, Brad Groves and Lee Harris (six).

Revis Comeagain, Ric Pearson and Peter Woods kicked three goals each for the Bombers.

Leeman's hardest workers were Peter Mora, Mike McQuie, Ian McGowan and Harry Wass.

COUNTRY ROUND-UP



with **PAUL SIMPSON**

North Albany crush Royals

NORTH Albany's Troy Cox kicked eight goals to help spoil Royals 50th birthday celebrations as the Great Southern league leaders lost 14.3 (87) to 8.14 (62).

The Royals players must have had their minds focused elsewhere as North Albany's Gerard Cameron, Nathan Ashton, Cox, Cecil Wynne (three goals) and Brad Hitchcock gatecrashed the party.

Royals best were Steven Woods (three goals), Dwayne Dyer, Gavin Morgan (two) and Darryl Byatt.

Determined Mt Barker won their first game of the year, over Kojonup, 14.12 (96) to 13.5 (83).

Steven Mead (two goals), Warren Marshall, Russell Jones, Winston Williams (four), Brett Sinnott (three) and Lawrence Woods (two) starred for Mt Barker.

Tambellup jumped into third spot with a surprise win over Australs, 8.4 (52) to 1.2 (8).

Wickepin pull off upset win

WICKEPIN caused the upset of the round by beating Kukerin-Dumbleyung by seven points in the Upper Great Southern Football League, 14.9 (93) to 13.8 (86).

Wickepin kicked seven goals in the first term and led all day, with ruck-rover Michael Bennier best-afield and rover Brett Doncon and defender John Foss in good touch.

Full-forward Jeff Sims kicked six goals for the winners, with centreman Craig Doney and rover Darrel Hart Kukerin's best.

Towns easily beat 25.18 (168) to 9.9 (63).

Centre-half-back Nathan Ramage and half-forward Geoff Whitehorn steered Towns to victory, despite the valiant efforts of Pingelly pair, full-forward Geoff Poultney and rover Athol Jetta.

NORTH PILBARA

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Tot
South Hedland	6	6	0	0	827	402	205.72	24
Karratha Falcons	6	4	2	0	874	488	179.09	16
Karratha Kats	6	3	3	0	589	620	95.00	12
Wickham Wolves	6	2	3	1	589	718	82.03	10
Port Hedland	6	2	3	1	472	609	77.50	10
Dampier Sharks	6	0	6	0	370	884	41.85	0

Mermaid Hotel Dampier

ONGERUP

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Tot
Jerramungup	7	7	0	0	1229	439	279.95	28
Ongerup	7	7	0	0	958	353	271.38	28
Borden	7	5	2	0	851	498	170.88	20
Kent	7	4	3	0	896	490	182.85	16
Boxwood Hills	7	3	4	0	689	585	117.77	12
Newdegate	7	3	4	0	612	959	63.81	12
Lake Grace	7	2	5	0	712	758	93.93	8
Gnowangerup	8	2	6	0	779	934	83.40	4
Pingrup	7	0	7	0	149	1846	8.07	0

GANNAWAYS-NYABING

SOUTH EAST

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Tot
Gibson	7	6	1	0	889	421	211.16	24
Norseman	7	5	2	0	776	544	142.65	20
Condingup	7	3	4	0	497	539	92.21	12
Ports	7	3	4	0	562	643	87.40	12
Newtown	7	3	4	0	487	706	68.98	12
Esperance	7	1	6	0	404	764	52.88	4

South Coast Wholesalers

RAVENSTHORPE

	P	W	L	For	Agst	%	Tot
Tigers	3	3	0	329	190	173.15	12
Lakes	3	1	2	237	334	70.95	4
Southerners	2	0	2	131	173	75.72	0

Grays Spraying Service Lake King

SOUTH WEST

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Tot
Donnybrook	8	7	1	0	741	469	157.99	28
Sth Bunbury	8	6	2	0	884	503	175.74	24
Aug-Marg Riv	8	6	2	0	735	530	138.67	24
Bunbury	8	6	2	0	816	657	124.20	24
Carey Park	8	4	4	0	736	831	88.56	16
Harvey-Brans	8	3	5	0	567	634	89.43	12
Mines Rovers	8	2	6	0	558	650	85.85	8
Boy-Capel-Dard	8	2	6	0	592	764	77.48	8
Busseton	8	2	6	0	558	770	72.46	8
Collie	8	2	6	0	466	845	55.14	8

Upper Great Southern

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Tot
Boddington	8	7	1	0	950	500	190.00	28
Narrogin Eagles	8	6	2	0	718	521	137.81	24
Wagin	8	6	2	0	755	604	125.00	24
Kuk-Dumbleyung	8	5	3	0	840	492	170.73	20
Wickepin	8	4	4	0	752	647	116.22	16
West Arthur	8	4	4	0	543	742	73.18	16
Towns	8	3	5	0	671	682	98.38	12
Williams	8	1	7	0	492	833	59.06	4
Pingelly	8	0	8	0	364	1074	33.89	0

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WEST KIMBERLEY

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Tot
Biyadarga	9	8	1	0	692	419	165.16	28
Saints	9	7	2	0	692	419	165.16	28
Towns	9	5	4	0	624	502	124.30	20
Dampier Pn.	9	5	4	0	548	637	86.03	20
Cable Beach	9	2	7	0	375	810	46.30	8
Meatworks	9	0	9	0	361	811	44.51	0

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COUNTRY PREMIERSHIP TABLES

AVON ASSOCIATION

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Tot
Quairading	8	8	0	0	845	379	222.95	32
Railways	8	5	3	0	848	638	128.87	20
Beverley	8	5	3	0	805	688	117.00	20
Federals	8	5	3	0	703	617	113.93	20
Tammin	8	5	3	0	701	651	107.68	20
York	8	4	4	0	738	710	103.94	16
Kellerberrin	8	3	5	0	821	782	104.98	12
Cunderdin	8	1	7	0	435	621	70.04	4
Brookton	8	0	8	0	575	1365	42.12	0

Central Midland Coastal

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Tot
Bindi-Miling	9	8	1	0	871	455	191.00	32
Jurien Bay	9	7	2	0	931	404	220.00	28
Dandaragan	9	7	2	0	791	474	166.00	28
Rovers	9	5	4	0	949	456	208.00	20
Cervantes	9	4	5	0	737	826	89.00	16
Warriors	9	3	6	0	783	773	101.00	12
Leeman	9	1	8	0	499	1233	40.00	4
Watheroo	9	1	8	0	357	1107	32.00	4

TIWEST JOINT VENTURE

Central Wheatbelt

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Tot
Beacon	6	6	0	0	834	388	214.94	24
Koorda	6	4	2	0	640	508	125.98	16
Bencubbin	7	2	5	0	666	792	84.09	8
Mukinbudin	6	2	4	0	569	708	80.36	8
Kalbarrie	7	2	5	0	600	913	65.71	8

MUKA TYRE MART

EASTERN DISTRICTS

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Tot
Kondinin	9	8	1	0	1016	708	143.00	32
Nukarni	9	7	2	0	995	536	185.00	28
Kulin	9	7	2	0	1024	686	149.00	28
Narembeen	9	6	3	0	926	677	136.00	24
Hyden-Karlgarin	9	5	4	0	927	690	134.00	20
Burracoppin	9	4	5	0	781	783	99.00	20
Bruce Rock	9	4	5	0	759	958	79.00	16
Southern Cross	9	2	7	0	722	1043	69.00	8
Comign	9	1	8	0	595	1086	55.00	4
Merredin	9	1	8	0	590	1121	53.00	4

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EAST KIMBERLEY

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Tot
Wyndham	5	4	1	0	660	260	215.38	16
Hawks	5	4	1	0	237	317	137.86	16
Maggies	5	1	4	0	286	414	69.08	4
Demons	5	1	4	0	284	488	68.20	4

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FORTESCUE

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Tot
Towns	7	6	1	0	852	379	224.8	24
Panthers	7	5	2	0	578	495	116.8	20
Tigers	7	4	3	0	741	501	147.9	16
Saints	7	2	5	0	494	600	82.3	8
Demons	8	1	7	0	386	1076	35.9	4

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	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Tot
Railways	7	5	2	0	679	499	136.07	20
Boulder	7	5	2	0	668	546	122.34	20
Mines	7	5	2	0	617	523	117.97	20
Kambalda	7	2	5	0	477	658	72.49	8
Kalgoorlie	8	1	7	0	522	737	70.82	4

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Great Northern

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	Tot
Mullewa	7	6	1	0	739	427	173.06	24
Royals	8	6	2	0	851	504	168.85	24
Towns	8	5	3</					

Bunbury drop after big loss

BUNBURY tumbled from top spot to fourth on the South West League ladder after being thrashed by the much-improved Donnybrook.

The Dons, playing on their home ground, were more eager to win possession and by quarter-time they led by 35 points.

From there, they were never troubled and humbled Bunbury 25.12 (162) to 5.8 (38).

Outstanding for Donnybrook were youngsters Karl Trigwell (six goals) and defender Matthew Kende.

South Bunbury jumped one spot into second after a narrow win over Mines Rovers, 11.12 (78) to 10.4 (64).

The Tigers went into the match as warm favourites, but really had to struggle to notch their sixth victory.

Veteran left-footer Wayne Davis and rugged ruck-rover Peter Amonini were instrumental in staving off the Eagles' desperate challenge.

Augusta-Margaret River leapt over Bunbury to take third spot when they scored a hard-fought 20-point win over

Boyanup-Capel-Dardanup, 16.15 (111) to 14.7 (91).

Former East Perth player David Morgan was in great touch for the Hawks, as was Manjimup recruit Victor Bertola.

Cardinals captain, rover Angelo Conti, fought tirelessly for his side.

COLLIE UPSET

Bottom side Collie scored an upset 10-point win over Harvey-Brunswick-Leshenault to keep in touch with the rest of the competition.

The Saints had five more scoring shots, but fell over the line 9.12 (66) to 8.8 (56).

Experienced rover Troy Sheppard and playing-coach Allen Daniels were chiefly responsible for the shock win.

Carey Park and Busselton staged the best exhibition of attacking football for the round, with the Panthers running out winners, 20.15 (135) to 18.5 (113).

Corrigin hand Merredin lesson

CORRIGIN climbed off the bottom of the Eastern Districts ladder with an impressive 137-point demolition of Merredin.

The 30.18 (198) to 9.7 (61) win was Corrigin's first for the year and they showed enough to suggest more wins are not far away.

Collins (Corr) picked up five votes to give him the outright lead with 24 in the Footballer-of-the-Year award, two ahead of Powell (BR) on 22.

TOP SCORE

Nukarni's Sutherland also picked up best-on-ground votes to take him to 20 and third place.

Nukarni kicked the round's highest score, 31.18 (204) when they flattened Southern Cross, 2.3 (15). The win propelled them to second place on percentage from Kulin.

Kulin had to work hard to beat Burra-coppin, 18.13 (121) to 15.12 (102). Page (Ku) received five votes to move him to 19, level with Currie (Narr).

Narembeen jumped above Hyden-Karlgarin when they scored an easy win, 15.15 (105) to 11.6 (72). Vaughan kicked eight for Narembeen in the win which has moved them into outright fourth spot.

Kondinin spearhead Hardy kicked nine goals and Collard and Eaton three each in the league leaders' 11-goal thrashing of Bruce Rock, 23.8 (146) to 12.13 (85).

O'Meehan snares six

BORDEN'S Tim O'Meehan kicked six goals and Dennis and Brad Smallwood three each as their team cruised to a 53-point win over Gnowangerup in the Ongerup League.

The 18.17 (125) to 10.12 (72) win pushed the improving Borden into third place behind competition pacesetters, the unbeaten pair Jerramungup and Ongerup.

Gnowangerup's best players were Jonathon Harris, Willie Haywood, Tim Wray, Wade Hayward (four), Brenton Minter (three) and Robbie Minter (two).

The Dunkeld brothers Ross (three goals) and John (four) and Dalton Fordham (four) were outstanding in newdegate's win over Boxwood Hills, 14.13 (97) to 13.13 (91).

Boxwood's best were Peter Smith (two goals), Craig Davis, Mark Retallick, Greg Harland (four) and dual goal-scorers Karl Ford and Rick Davey.

Jerramungup had an easy win over the competitive Lake Grace, 23.11 (149) to 17.7 (109).

Morrie Meola kicked seven goals, Adam Cook six and Wayne Woods four, while for Lake Grace, Rod Walker (six), Kevin Bidwell (four) and Hayden McGlenn (two) did best.

Second-placed Ongerup scored a percentage boosting win over Kent, 14.15 (99) to 6.6 (42).

No mercy from Beacon

UNBEATEN Central Wheatbelt powerhouse Beacon thrashed Kalannie by 129 points, 27.18 (180) to 6.9 (51).

Beacon's best in the percentage-boosting win were Ryan and Lyndon Redfern, Ian Menev, Murray Junk, Rod Munns and Clinton Poole.

They had many goalkickers, with the best being Graeme Watson (eight), Merv Shemeld (six) and Luke Miguel (five).

Kalannie's best were Dave Hudson, Keith Hathway and Jason Sayers.

STRONG FINISH

Koorda were comfortable winners over Bencubbin with an 8.2 to 2.1 last quarter. The final score was 19.12 (126) to 11.11 (77).

Koorda's best were Paul Inman, Andrew McLevie, Brad Shields, Simon Collins, Ray Franklin, Brad Parks (six goals) and I. McLevie (seven).

Best for Bencubbin were Clinton Munro, Mick and John Sachse, Luke Jeffries, Michael Capp, Paul Sorgiovanni (three), Lynton Beagley (two) and Barry Davies (two).

Gibson lose, but cling to lead

GIBSON retained top spot on the South East Football League ladder despite a shock 65-point loss to Ports.

Scores were close at quarter-time, but Ports added 4.6 to 0.1 to wrap up the game at half-time.

Gibson failed to recover from the onslaught and surrendered meekly, 16.18 (114) to 7.7 (49) for their first loss.

Ports Brenton Naughton was best-on-ground, with support from Justin McAllister, Peter Jerzabeck, Brett Keevil (four goals) and Darren Gidgup (three).

Shane Powell, Mark Baker and Vernon Guest were the best for Gibson.

Norseman drove a wedge between the

AROUND THE COUNTRY



Paraburdoo pair falter

THE Paraburdoo sides, Saints and Demons, stayed at the foot of the Fortescue League ladder with two losses.

On Friday night, Tigers defied the last-quarter breeze to kick clear of Saints and win 11.14 (80) to 7.5 (47).

In successive matches, ruckman John Steers has been among Tigers best.

HARD WORKER

He was well supported by Barron, D. Pool, Scott, Maher and Boyle.

Saints hardest worker was Jason Madden at full-back, with help from Waddell, Morgan, Hayden and Ross.

Towns easily beat Demons in Tom Price on Saturday night, 23.11 (149) to 9.16 (70).

Demons got off on the wrong foot with just one goal from 10 scoring shots in the first quarter.

Mines pound Panthers

REIGNING premiers Mines regained their best form to brush aside top team Railways in the Emu Export Goldfields League.

The Diorites won 20.13 (133) to 12.9 (81), with best being Glenn Smith (five goals), Mick Garbin (four) and Brett Turner.

Railways, after four impressive wins, struggled despite strong efforts from Russell Buck (four), Neil Bitmead, Brenton Calver and Jevan Evans (three).

The Diorites midfielders set up many attacking moves and limited the flow to the Panthers forwards.

Boulder beat Kalgoorlie by four points, 16.9 (105) to 15.11 (101), with best players being Brett Mayo and Brad Barrett for the winners and Wayne McNeill and Mark Hall.

Pioneers finish too strong

PIONEERS came from behind to beat last year's premiers Tigers by five points in the Newman League, 12.17 (89) to 12.12 (84).

The Tigers were in front for most of the game, with a strong backline led by Steve Mahoney and Scott Parkes.

Tigers ruckman Peter Kay was best on ground, with Pioneers forward Peter Cheesman kicking four goals.

With 30 seconds to go, Tigers forward Craig Greig missed from 40 metres to give Pioneers victory.

Pioneers best were Cheesman, Markham and Tiver, while best for Tigers were Kay, Haines and Mahoney.

Centrals won their fifth game in a row by beating Saints by 53 points, 16.16 (112) to 7.17 (59).

Centrals again were well-served by former Bruce Rock star Jason Bow and veteran Geoff Wilkins, while Dave Miller kicked seven goals.

Saints tried hard, with their injury list growing and their best were Anderson, Allen and Richardson.

Horwood bags a dozen

COACH Larry Horwood's 12 goals led unbeaten Dongara to an 82-point win over the struggling Perenjori in the North Midlands League.

In an even performance, Horwood was well supported by Russell Ireland and Graham Birrell in the 23.18 (156) to 11.8 (74) win.

Best for Perenjori were defener Adrian Beard,

Paul Anderson and Earl Mongoo.

Three Springs scored their best win for the season, beating bottom side Carnamah 26.20 (176) to 6.7 (43).

Full-forward Craig Hicks kicked 11 goals from fast leads and strong marking, well supported by Billy McGree, Wayne Mutter and Grant Burnett (five goals).

Kiwi Paul, Ken Will,

Jason Clare and Brendan Haeusler (three) battled hard for Carnamah.

Mingenew kicked four goals in each quarter of their match against Morawa to win 16.17 (113) to 9.3 (57).

Mike Kerr, Glen Chapman, Richard Callow and Gavin Elsegood led the way for Mingenev, who have a break over the rest of the field to retain second spot after next week's bye.

Wyalkatchem climb ladder

WYALKATCHEM jumped from seventh to fifth spot on the Mortlock ladder after a well-deserved 25-point win over Gingin.

Best players in the 15.6 (96) to 10.9 (69) were Hutchinson, Rogers, J. Davis (four goals), R. Davis (two), Jennings and triple goal-scorers Ryan and Jones.

Gingin's hardest workers were Fletcher, Hindmarsh, Roe, Williams, Plaisted and Hendry (three).

NOT ENOUGH

Calingiri rattled on 6.2 to 3.5 in the last quarter against league leaders Goomalling, but it was nowhere near enough to take the match after trailing by 56 points.

Goomalling ran out comfortable winners, 20.17 (137) to 15.6 (96).

Their best were Nisili, Warren, Glass, McPherson (three), West, Bird (five), Chester (three) and Lord (three).

Bingham, B. King (six), S. King (three), Westlake, Field and Brennan were Calingiri's hardest workers.

Toodyay's Nathan Howat kicked seven goals in his team's win over Wongan Hills, 16.19 (115) to 9.7 (61), with Lee, Haywood, Tetlaw and Doyle also doing well.

Best for Wongan Hills were Bennett, Walton, Lyon, S. and P. Fowler.

Ballidu needed a 10.5 second quarter to steal the game from Dowerin, 21.17 (143) to 18.16 (124).

Ballidu's Cushing kicked nine goals in the win, supported by Reynolds, Smith, Lancaster and Hedland (four).

Dowerin's best were Newman, Quartermaine, Flavel, Collins, Harris, Graham Howard, Hulm and Jones.

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