

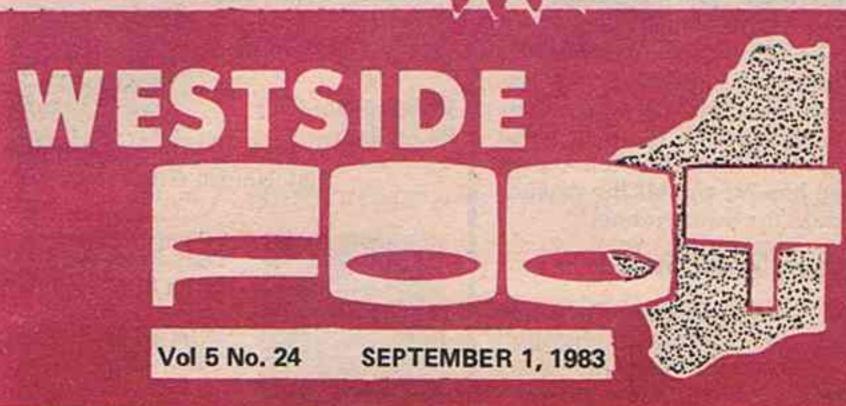
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South Fremantle, the top dogs for the season, challenge Claremont, the hungry Tigers, in the winner-take-all second semifinal.

And the two coaches - the controversial, big-mouthed Mal Brown versus the conservative, low-key Graham Moss - are playing a delicate cat-and-mouse game with each other.

Brown, who has guided the Bulldogs into three consecutive grand finals before last year's slide to fifth spot, is back where he likes to be — on top.

Moss, with one flag in 1981 to compensate for some disappointing finals performances, is keen to show that he has learnt what winning grand finals is all about.

So who do the football fans believe this week?

Brown is not confident his side can beat Claremont even though he says his team is "cherry ripe".

PROBLEMS

He says that all year he has had problems with his goal-to-goal line and he doubts the Bulldogs ability to run with Claremont for four quarters.

"The only stable line we have had all year has been the full back line and now Gavin Carter is under a cloud," Brown says. "We have tried four players, Tony Kelly, Jon Dorotich, Wayne Henwood and Stephen Mount at centre half back and our centreline has also presented worries.

"Rod Grljusich, Geoff O'Brien, Nicky final after Saturday's game. Winmar, Michael Cockie and Willie Roe have all been used as wingmen while Chris Stasinowsky, Paul Arnold, Mount, Barrie Quick and even Benny Vigona (against Subiaco) have been used at full forward."

"We also had to experiment at centre half forward," Brown says.

It sounds like just another Mal Brown ploy, but there is some truth in what he has to say. He added that players like Noel Carter, Bruce Monteath and Brad Hardie, who is a real burst player, should not be expected to keep up with the likes of Darrell Panizza, Allen Daniels, Wayne Blackwell and Stephen Goulding.

It's not that the Bulldogs lack pace, but he believes they cannot maintain it for as long as the Tigers.

Many people believe that Brown took a nonchalant approach to the last qualifying game of the season against Claremont, but he dismisses those allegations.



Fremantle In contrast to Brown, Moss is confident his side can progress through to the grand

He rates the team as better than that which won the 1981 premiership because a lot of the players from that season are still playing and with two more years under their belt are more mature and competent.

"We will certainly be going all out for a win this week because I believe whoever wins will have a walk-up start for the premiership," says Moss.

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SUBI'S CHOICE

SUBIACO have shown strength in their latest coaching decision for better or for worse.

Haydn Bunton jun., one of the really great names in Australian sport returns to the West to take up football's hardest job.

He has accepted a five-year coaching role at Subiaco - and we wish him luck. We also congratulate Subiaco for making such an early decision.

But we must pose a few questions in view of the fact that we have often been critical of Subiaco's football management.

It is disappointing that Bunton is not a full-time coach something (we believe) was his own choice. Hopefully, club statements that other people will be appointed in support roles will soon emerge as constructive moves.

Bunton himself acknowledges that he has never been totally involved in junior development - but he is keen to change that. Subiaco's target, really, was to find someone like John Todd, who has taken on all the development responsibilities at Swan Districts, from bottom to top.

In 22 years of coaching, Bunton has only won three premierships and made two other grand finals. But that's not always important. What is important is his ability to re-structure the club's playing strength and he has already had a good look at the junior talent available in the revamped Subiaco zone; particularly out Wanneroo way.

The five-year appointment is also a gamble, as club boards of management change . . . and so do their opinions about coaches.

But, as current president Michael Carlile says: "I guess that is virtually a commitment from myself also for the future."

Bunton, the coach, page 19.

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'DEEK' COMING

Champion marathon runner Robert De Castella is expected to be at the WAFL grand final after all.

De Castella was invited to WA football's biggest day as the special guest, but originally declined the offer.

However, he has had a change of heart and is re-considering.

To have De Castella, the current world champion, at the WAFL grand final would be an added attraction for the many fans.

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Hard start

THE Claremont players held a special night out at the Hello Harrigans night club last Saturday to raise funds for their annual end-of-season trip and by all accounts it was a great night. The Tigers enjoyed the opportunity to let their hair down after having a day off on Saturday. But they had to run out any after-effects from the previous night with an early morning training run on Sunday.

HAPPY TIGER

YOUNG Claremont full forward Alan Rowe capped off a good season in the reserves when he kicked six goals in a losing effort against Swan Districts last week. Rowe's haul in that match took his season's tally to 111 and with the possibility that Warren Ralph could go to Carlton next year, the Tigers could not be happier with Rowe's form.

Green's turn

A LOT of people may have been puzzled why Stephen Green joined Swan Districts skipper Keith Narkle for the toss of the coin before the first semi final. But in the absence of captain coach Ron Alexander and vice-captain Kevin Taylor, it was Green's task. He was named deputy vice captain at the start of the season and on Saturday it was his duty, despite having played reserves for most of the season.

Top Class

UMPIRE Mick Ball made a sound comeback to league ranks last Saturday after spending a week in the reserves for disciplinary reasons. Ball and fellow umpire John Morris turned in flawless displays with the way in which they handled the first semi final and must now be in contention for the job of handling the grand final - a feat that would cap off a good year for Ball who controlled both interstate clashes in Perth.

ESSENDON'S WA EFFORT

VFL club Essendon are certainly taking an avid interest in the football talent available in WA at present. With the draft system under a cloud, the club is not taking any chances and have their eyes on a number of WA youngsters. Their recruiting expert, Noel Judkins, has been a regular traveller to the West in recent weeks (hosted nicely in Perth by his former Bombers team mate Colin Hebbard) and knows the local scene as well as anybody. It was interesting to hear his assessment of players in last Saturday's first semi-final, One player who took his eye obviously didn't create the same impression with his club coach. Brent Hutton was a man that Judkins spoke highly of in terms of VFL potential . . . but his Swan Districts coach John Todd had him on and off the ground almost as much as the Swans runner!

Rating's point

IT was good to see Channel 7's Peter Waltham refer to Westside Football's ratings segment when discussing the 1983 Sandover Medal result last Sunday. Waltham correctly pointed out that the winner, John Ironmonger - regarded as a shock result by many - had, in fact, finished well up on the ratings system over the year. The voting had Don Langsford a runaway winner of the Crestwood Inntown-Perth Hotel award (a trip for two to Darwin) on 147 votes, followed by Peter Spencer on 141. Bryan Cousins was on 139 and Ironmonger was back on 136 with red-hot Medal man Steve Malaxos and West Perth's Phil Cronan. So he wasn't all that much of a surprise after all. It's just that the majority, in fact, all of the media simply overlooked him.

Long run

BEFORE Saturday's first semi final got under way, a combined army, navy and air force team of runners began a 2372.5 km run from Subiaco Oval. The annual run, which is organised to raise funds for Torchbearers for Legacy, will see them journey through Fremantle, Mandurah, Bridgetown, Busselton, Bunbury, Manjimup, Denmark, Albany, Esperance, Norseman, Kalgoorlie, Southern Cross, Merredin, Bruce Rock, Corrigin, Narrrogin, Brookton, Beverley, Northam, Midland and Fremantle before they finish at Subiaco Oval again this Saturday.

Rioli firms

Maurice Rioli has firmed to outright favourite for the Brownlow Medal.

Early this week only three players were quoted at prices shorter than 10-1. Rioli is 2-1 with Ross Glendinning second favourite at 3-1 and Terry Wallace at 5-1.

Mike Richardson, who has been tipped as a good outside chance, was quoted at

FROM PAGE 1

A lot of the Tigers players have experienced the highs and lows of football in the last two years - winning a premiership in 1981 and losing the grand final last year - and they are desperate for success.

However, Moss is well aware that perhaps the Bulldogs did not extend themselves when they fell a couple of goals behind in that contest.

"I think we both went out to win," the Tigers coach says. "It was fairly dinkum in the first 10 or 15 minutes and in the second and third quarters we just felt each other out.

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...Who should cast them?

WHILE John Ironmonger was basking in the excitement of winning this year's Channel 7 Sandover Medal, the annual argument as to who should allocate the votes was again being hotly debated.

We must also remember that the award

These days people are obsessed with

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other important aspects of our game, such

as - effective kicks, shepherds, the number

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All of those fall clearly under the notice

is four the fairest and best player and many

things are said on the playing arena that possibly could not be heard by selection

panels off the field.

of the field umpires.

I would like to take this opportunity to present my views on the topic.

One possibility would be to get former coaches to cast the votes. Should these men be given the role, then surely they should not be involved with the media or any club.

Names that come to mind as experts who could succeed in a voting capacity are Graham Farmer, Jack Ensor, Harry Neesham, Fred Castledine, Em Henfry, Colin Beard, Jim Conway, Derek Chadwick, Ken Armstrong, Ray Sorrell and Norm Rogers, to name a few. All are recognised as good students of the game.

Current coaches could also be looked at as an alternative and under this system I would envisage that each coach would vote for the opposition.

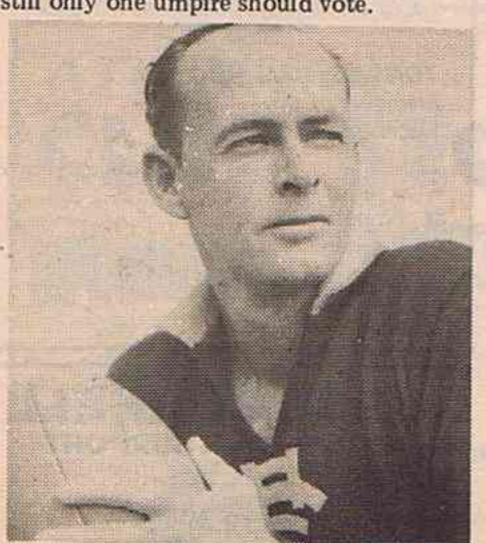
A panel of about eight previous Sandover Medallists is another thought. I think that under this system they could be rostered so that more opinions could be sought. I would also prevent the situation developing where one man would see one team in action several times in succession.

A Panel of past umpires is also an idea and I believe it could operate under the same outline as the previous medal winners' panel. Their depth of inside knowledge of voting would be a great help.

The major obstacles for all these groups would be for them to overcome club bias and allegations of player bias.

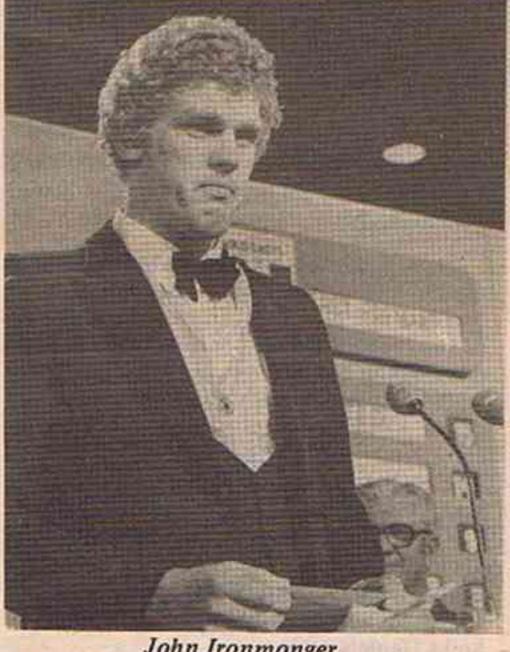
Really the problems boil down to the umpires themselves. I believe that with the two umpire system, voting should be easier because they can discuss the situation with their colleague. I also believe that the voting should be easier because they can discuss the situation with their colleague. I also believe that the voting system needs to change.

Instead of allocating votes on a 3-2-1 basis it should be on a 5-4-3-2-1 basis, but still only one umpire should vote.



Jim Conway





John Ironmonger

PLAYERS PAYMENTS

ANOTHER problem which raises its head at the end of qualifying rounds is the amount of cash (or kind) that the State's leading players may receive, or better still, the windfall the Commissioner of Taxation receives.

I believe the time is well overdue where the players are able to average their income, similar to other "professional" businessmen and primary producers.

We should not lose sight of the fact that whenever a player wins a club award or appears on a radio or television programme, or writes for a newspaper, he is taxed on his efforts.

A good case this year has been Claremont centreman Stephen Malaxos.

TAS A THREE HORS FRAGE

THE general concensus of opinion is that the finals series is only just starting.

There is little between the three teams in areas of flexibility of players, something which was classically illustrated by John Todd last week.

All three teams have firm and attacking defenders, good centreliners and followers.

When you look at the forward areas, they all appear to have flaws.

South Fremantle do not have a regular full forward, but have several players who have improvised during the season. But finals are completely different. Paul Arnold has played there in previous finals, but has not really enthused this year.

Should they play Bruce Monteath at full forward (and not centre-half-forward) they lose his superb marking ability - and he does play well against Mike Aitken. South do have other players who could play at centre-half-forward including John Hayes, Stephen Mount (suspended this week) and Jon Dorotich, but it is really a case of robbing Peter to play Paul.

Claremont have Ralph and he is a proven big game player. But they, too, have problems at centre-half-forward and it will be interesting to see who plays there, bearing in mind that Baden Harper, Graham Moss and Barry Beecroft have all been tried in the key attacking role. Should one of these players start there, then South could be free to use Dorotich at centre-half-back to counter the height advantage.

Swan Districts did not play Paul Werner in the first semi final. But he showed enough in the reserves and I saw him play several top games at full forward during the season, thus giving Todd more flexibility in this position. After all, he can also use Baker in that spot.

They also have problems, I feel, at centre-half-forward, having used Murray Rance, Stan Nowotny and Peter Kenny in this position in previous finals, including last Saturday.

While neither side appears to have a regular centre-half-forward, all have sufficient experience to hold down this important position.

We should not lose sight of the fact that irrespective of how players have performed during the season, in finals players are peaked on the day to perform a certain duty. Therefore, it will be most interesting to see the tactics adopted by the coaches.

When you look back over the past 20 seasons, the side that has won the flag, among other strengths, has had a good full forward and a top line rover. These days the true rover may be going out of the game, but adequate compensation is there from the ruck rover types.

While this season is possibly the closest in terms of a firm favourite, a lot will depend on the availability of fit players on grand final day.

I believe that whoever wins the second semi final will win the premiership, and at this stage I lean towards Claremont.

Steve Malaxos plenty of spoils

While he did not win Channel Seven's \$20,000 that goes with a Sandover Medal victory, he has had a great deal of success in picking up most other awards around town. Add to this, his player payments, club awards etc and he may well have had a financially POOR season.

By players averaging their incomes over their entire playing career, then, on retirement they can look back and really have something to show for the tremendous amount of hard work required to succeed.

LITTLE LEAGUE

A CONCEPT I would like to see introduced is that two R and I Little League matches be played during the half time break in league games.

It will put more pressure on junior, councils and those already overworked parents, but I believe it is important that we get kids to the ground on Saturdays.

I see this concept as a step in the right direction towards achieving that goal.

I would also go so far as to suggest that all these kids get in free of charge. After their game, if they are kicking the football up behind the goals, or near the scoreboard at least they are practicing some of their skills - and with the right shaped ball.



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CLAREMONT had to overcome a mid-season slump before eventually finishing second on the premiership table.

They won their first seven games straight and were playing a brand of football capable of winning a premier-

However, everything fell apart in the second series of matches.

With losses to East Perth and East Fremantle they looked to have lost their desire for success. Their football lacked purpose and the image that they worked so hard to rid themselves of — that of "college" footballers — was again to the fore.

They did not appear to want to do the hard things which separates good sides from also rans and it looked bleak for the Tigers.

It was not so much the fact that they lost to East Perth and East Fremantle which was worrying, but more the manner in which they were prepared to lose.

Full credit must go to Graham Moss and Murray Ward for the way in which the Tigers rounded off their season.

They were able to overcome their problems and return to the brand of football which has earmarked their game in the last three seasons.

Now Ward will be hoping the Tigers can repeat the performance of his first-year with them - to take off a premiership.

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Daniels and Matera are key players

SINCE walking out on Claremont after being named on the interchange bench, Allen Daniels has again become a vital link in the Tigers run-on style of football.

It was on the eve of the second round match against the Bulldogs that Daniels decided not play and after a one-week stint in the reserves he had shown that his heart was back in the club.

Now he has something more to prove.

He will be desperate to be a top player for his side in the second semi final and will be a key man in his side's quest for a grand final berth.

Daniels is a link-man for the Tigers and he is one of the many stars who feeds ace full-forward Warren Ralph. For South to win they will need to stem the amount of kicks Daniels gathers.

In the last two seasons he has emerged as one of the best ball-getters in the game. But this year he has also shown ability around the goals — particulary since returning to the senior team.

He has the ability to run all day and use his creative skills to great effect and Claremont will be looking for that again this week.

The 24-year-old from Albany earned State selection last year and would almost certainly have played in two interstate games this year. He was ruled out of the first one — against South Australia — when suspended and his walk-out at Caremont was untimely because it was on the day the State squad was chosen for the game against Victoria.

While Daniels is an important player for Claremont young rover Wally Matera will



Wally Matera . . . a Bulldog improver

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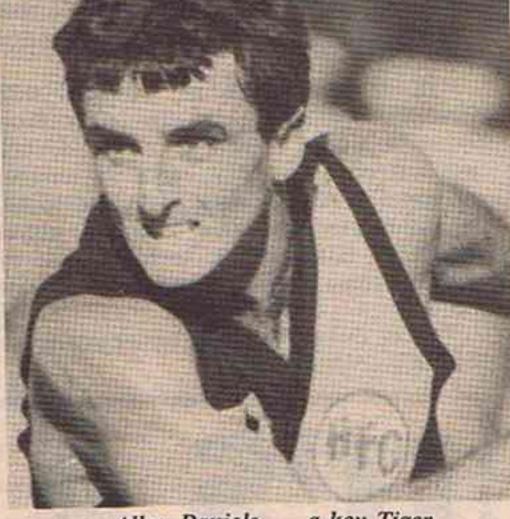
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Allen Daniels . . . a key Tiger.

be required to put in a top game for South Fremantle.

Matera has emerged as one of the most dangerous and creative rovers in the game this season and he has been particularly damaging round the goals.

There was a question mark hanging over his head in regard to his ability to play well against top teams — but he dispelled those doubts with his efforts in the final two qualifying games of the season.

Against Swan Districts he was among the best three on the ground and then, a week later against Claremont, he continued to play quality football.

Matera reads the play superbly and he could have a big bearing on the result of Saturday's big game.

He made an impression in the last three games for South Fremantle last year and he has gone right on with the job this year. Probably the smallest man in league football, Matera has a big heart to make up for his build and he can be most destructive.

His use of the football when he gains possession is immaculate and if he can pick up enough kicks he could be a damaging player.

Matera, who was recruited from Narrogin last year, was not considered a top line player initially, but his improvement over summer and this season makes him one of the best rovers in the game.

He burrows in for the ball and gets it out to running players like Brad Hardie and Willie Roe.

He seems to enjoy hard work and there will be plenty available in the second semi final.

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The season's trendsetters

SOUTH Fremantle have been at or near the top of the table all season.

They started the first series of seven matches in blistering fashion and were undefeated, along with Claremont, when when the two teams met in a show-down at Claremont Oval.

Claremont won that match after the Bulldogs had staged a remarkable last-quarter fight-back and they were eventually beaten by the siren,

With the Tigers losing unexpectedly to East Perth and East Fremantle in the second series, the Bulldogs took over at the head of the premiership table.

And once they got to the top they did not surrender their position.

They have played a brand of football similar to that which saw them reach the 1981 grand final and coach Mal Brown has done a tremendous job with his team this season.

Last year they lacked desire and purpose in their football and as a consequence missed a berth in the finals. But Brown is a man who does not accept less than maximum effort and a solid preseason programme was geared towards finishing in the top two at the end of the qualifying games.

He has achieved that goal and now he is aiming at getting to the grand final the easy way. He would love to sit back on Saturday week and watch Claremont and Swans thrash it out for the right to challenge his Bulldogs for the premiership.

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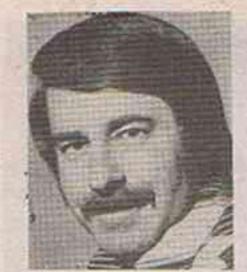
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TIGERS SET FOR THRD GRAND FIN

A VICTORY over South Fremantle in the second semi final will give Claremont their third successive grand final appearance.

And by 5 pm on Saturday they will have earned the right to play in the big game at Subiaco Oval on September 17.

Many people suggested that Mal Brown and his Bulldogs did not try against Claremont in the last qualifying game of the season when the Tigers were comfortable winners.

That may have been true, but Claremont would not have used up all their trump cards in a match that didn't matter either.

Now the serious stuff starts and Claremont are good enough to beat the Bulldogs this Saturday.

Obviously the key to the outcome of the game lies in Claremont's running players. Darrell Panizza, Allen Daniels, Peter Davidson, Stephen Goulding, Wayne Blackwell and Stephen Malaxos will all need to be at their peak.

It is up to those six players to present ace full foward Warren Ralph with enough scoring opportunities to kick a winning score. And they have done it all season so there is no reason for them to stop now.

Ralph is the best full forward in the

land and if Claremont can take full advantage of his ability in front of goal, they will win the match and leave South Fremantle to battle it out with Swan Districts to decide which team earns the right to challenge for the flag.



Peter Davidson



Brad Hardie

South Fremantle's fate is in the hands of All-Australian captain Stephen Michael.

If he plays in the ruck he will need to take charge and bring smaller players like Nicky Winmar, Wally Matera, Brad Hardie and Michael Cockie into the game.

Claremont will be hoping that young ruck star Dean Farmer has recovered from which hampered illness

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performance in the first semi final. Without Farmer they are under-manned in the big man department.

By

GARY

While Ralph will be a key player for the Tigers, at the other end of the ground South Fremantle will rely on big game specialist Paul Arnold.

He made a name for himself with East Perth in finals football and that was the whole purpose behind Mal Brown recruiting him to the port club this year.

Because Claremont have more "run" than the Bulldogs they should be able to take out what promises to be an outstanding contest between the 1983 trend-setters.

The three games played between the teams in the qualifying rounds were top class encounters and with a spot in the 1983 grand final up for grabs the players will produce their best efforts.

While the players will determine the destiny of their respective clubs there should also be an interesting battle of the benches with Mal Brown taking on Graham Moss and Murray Ward.



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Medal system is O.K.

IT is over a week old, but all the talk about changing the voting system for the Sandover Medal is rubbish. The umpires are in the best position to judge a player's performance because they are out there in the middle of the action. I disagree with the thinking that the game and its interpretations are enough to keep the umpires occupied without having to cast votes. When the game is over they sit down and discuss who they consider should get votes and then one of the umpires casts them. Opinions as to best on ground always differ and while it is easier when you have the stats available, I believe the voting should be left to the two men in charge of the game.

FINAL SAY

FINALLY on the Sandover Medal, I would like to congratulate John Ironmonger on his win. But I think that Channel 7 put up a poor show when they did not even invite Bryan Cousins and Brad Hardie to receive their cheques on camera as acknowledgement of their performance.

ACID TEST

FOOTBALL reputations are made in the hurly burly of final round competition and though East Fremantle's performance against the slick Swan Districts machine was disappointing, two first year players certainly stood the test. Max Johnson and Murray Wrensted both worked hard and long and gave impressive displays. It was a pity some of the more senior players weren't as direct in their play.

RON'S DECISION

SORRY Ron Alexander, but I'll have to jump on the bandwagon - you should have played last week. I appreciate it was a difficult decision to make and in your mind it was the right thing to do. But you are the captain coach and your presence was required on the ground. You have earned the respect of your players on the ground and, to me, you still have much to offer them. I wish you hadn't played against us a couple of times this season! * * *

BAD HABITS

BAD habits certainly die hard. For years East Fremantle built a reputation for short passing and being indirect in their play. Unfortunately, they produced some old habits last week. On Subiaco Oval at finals time there is only one way home - down the middle, long and direct.

HERE'S A MEMO

PS: Alan East: Your comments last week that Cam Shepherd was ineffective with his use of the ball was a little harsh. I agree that it is an area that he needs to work on, but in the latter part of the year he improved 50 per cent in his effective kicks and was a valuable contributor to the team.

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WAY OF CONTROL OF CONT

Royal Bomber hits his target

THERE were many football fans who raised their eyebrows in total amazement when diminutive East Perth rover Wayne Otway was included in the first draft when the interstate clearance arrangement was unveiled three years ago.

Otway, at 168cm (5ft 6in), was the smallest league footballer in West Australia and certainly going to fall into that category in Victoria. That he was planning to join Essendon, where fellow WA rover and equally small Tony Buhagiar was playing, was even more intriguing.

But join Essendon he did and the Bombers suddenly boasted one of the most lethal roving combinations in the VFL business. The two little packages of football energy slotted in brilliantly together and formed a minute-sized roving combination that caused big-name rival clubs plenty of headaches.

He had always shown heaps of courage, particularly when it required someone to burrow into the packs and extricate the "hard ball" and he was continually shrugging off injuries that would have left many a bigger and stronger player on the sidelines.

Otway has now survived in the VFL, establishing himself as a topclass rover in his debut last year and - apart from some injury breaks this year - has played consistently well enough to live up to Essendon's confidence in nominating him in the draft.

Otway was back in Perth recently during an injury-enforced spell and ALAN EAST caught up with him for this interview.

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Name: Wayne Otway Height: 168cm (5ft 6in) Weight: 71kg (11st 3lb) Born: Cottesloe, 24.6.56

Married: Yes Wife's name: Babe

Children: Wayne Jun. (4 years) and

Ebony (10 months)

Lives at: Niddrie, near Essendon Football likes: Just being a part of a great team . . . and winning.

Football dislikes: People who don't understand the game and try and can you.

Favourite TV show: MASH

Occupation: Salesman/driver with Don Smallgoods.

Ambitions: Play in another VFL finals game - but win; and to play 150 games at East Perth

Football idols: Barry Cable, Bill Walker and Terry Wallace.

What car do you drive: Commodore waggon.

Do you read: Yes, mainly sports magazines and adult comics.

Hobbies and relaxation: Water skiing and body surfing.

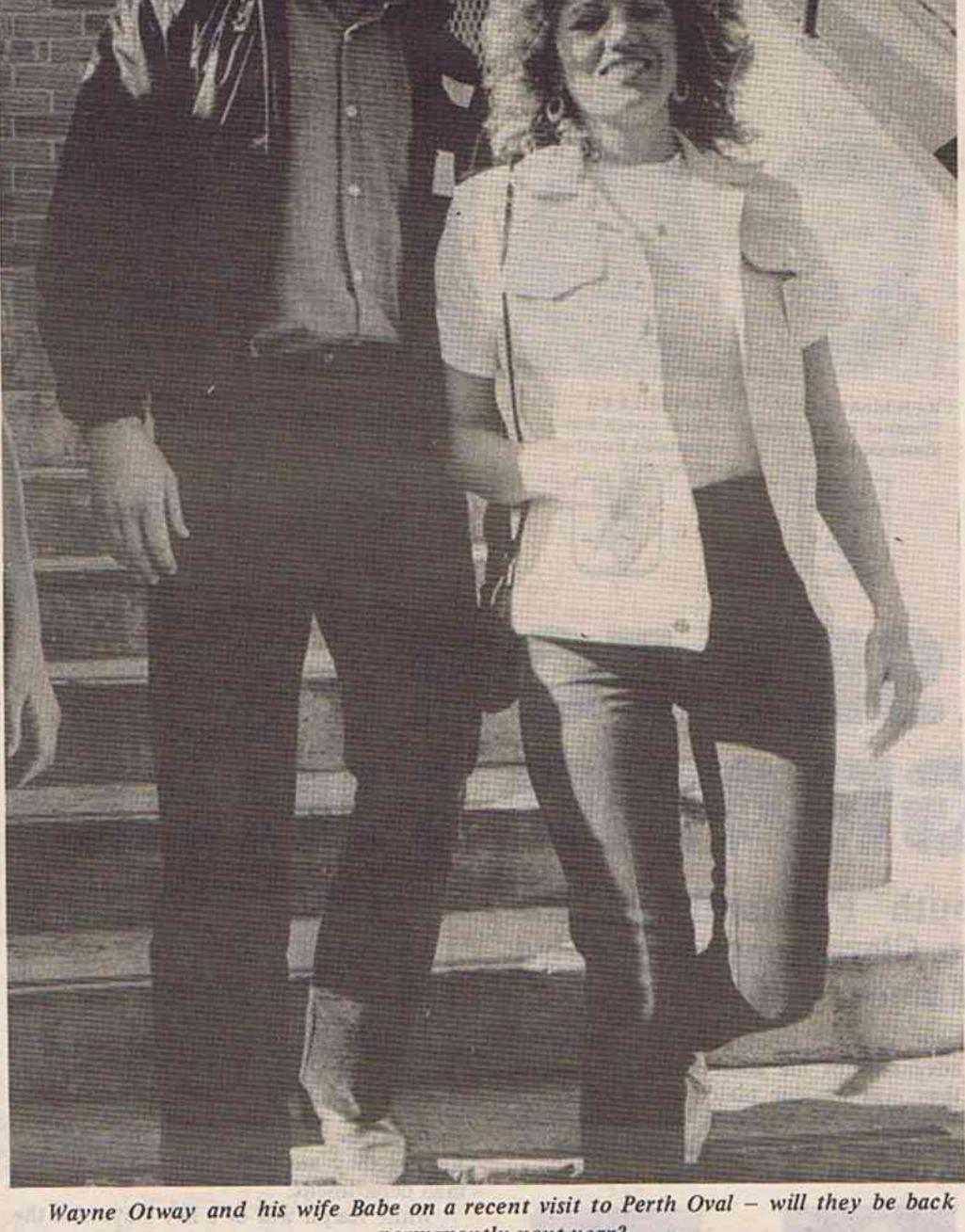
Hard things in football: Mentally getting ready for the game the following week. Favourite food: Steak and mushrooms. Favourite drink: Scotch and Coke

League debut: 1976 with East Perth; 1982 with Essendon. Games played: 100 East Perth, 35

Essendon.

Guernsey number: 15.

about it in advance?



permanently next year?

Q: You took a lot of people by surprise when you moved to Victoria, but obviously it has been successful. You are happy with the move?

A: Yes, I'm pleased. I've had two good years so far. It's good for a player from WA to go to Melbourne and try himself out and I'm pleased that I've got over the hard part.

Q: Did you have some reservations about your ability to survive when you first went to Victoria?

A: I wasn't sure how I would go, but I was playing pretty well at East Perth so I thought that I might as well try to go that one step further and whether I succeeded or not was really up to me. Essendon gave me the chance, so if I was good enough it was up to me to take advantage of it.

O: Was it a surprise when you were drafted to Essendon, or did you know

A: No, it wasn't really a surprise. I hadn't been signed by anyone before that, but I'd had a couple of telephone calls from clubs wanting to know if I was interested in moving over. I indicated that I was interested and when the draft came out I was really happy that Essendon had picked me because I was taking a lot of interest in their progress at that time. They had notched a great run of victories in 1981 and I took a lot of interest in their players. I knew I would be going into a top side, so I was pretty pleased about that.

Q: The fact that East Fremantle rover Tony Buhagiar had succeeded the year before at Essendon must have given you a lot of confidence?

A: Yes, Budgie has been a really big help to me. I watched him a lot on television the year before and when I saw the way he was playing I thought that I could adapt just as well.

Q: You had a lot of trouble with a shoulder injury in Perth? Has it worried you in Melbourne?

A: No, since I had an operation on it some years ago I haven't had any trouble at all. I've had a bit of trouble with leg muscles as I find it pretty cold over there and that doesn't help your training.

Q: What have been some of the differences you have found between the VFL and WA football?

A: There's a lot more pressure on you to perform, especially if you are from another State. As soon as you get there the players who have been around the club for a while look at you say "Well, here's another guy coming from interstate to try and make it". They definitely have a go at you and try to test you out. But the main difference is that you are playing for 120 minutes; you are not having any lapses in the game like you often do in Perth. The pressure is on all the time; you've virtually got 20 players on either side capable enough of beating you in the chase for the ball. You don't get any soft opponents or easy moments.

O: How does the week of training and build up compare to WA football?

A: I wouldn't say that it is very much different, especially these days. WA training is just as intense, but it's just that the whole atmosphere builds up more in Victoria; training and pre-game build up is just a bigger occasion. The emphasis is still on winning the four points, but the heirarchy in Victoria put a bit more pressure on you and, of course, you have a lot more people watching you. But I don't really think I train much harder than in Perth.

Q: Have you any special games that stick in your memory at this stage?

A: No not really, I remember most of them. I guess I've had a couple of outstanding games, I couldn't really put my finger on any one. In my third game last year I played against Richmond at the MCG and there were 90,000 people there. That was unbelievable. It was a long weekend and we were in the rooms expecting about 50 or 60 thousand out there. But when we ran out and the MCG was chock-a-block it was just fantastic.

Q: You made the finals last year, but it was short-lived?

A: Yes, we went out in the elmination final - straight in and straight out. It was very disappointing because we know that we have a good side; we've got the capabilities, but we've been giving sides too much of a start. We then overtake them, but we've worked so hard to get back into the game it gives the other side the chance to still take it out.

Q: Have you learnt many things yourself in relation to your own game?

A: Yes, a lot. Not so much about reading the play and getting kicks, because I think that's pretty natural. But more a lot of physical things, being first in for the ball and so forth. You have to do little things over in Victoria that are not really emphasised in WA. Things like knocking the ball on and so forth.

Q: What are your thoughts on Kevin Sheedy the coach?

A: He's a very good coach. Some people think he trains us for too long, but he's just so intense about the whole operation that he doesn't realise how long we train for.

Q: What about disappointments in Victoria.

A: Games that we lose after having the opportunity of getting into top spot or moving into the top three. We seem to let ourselves down every time that we have a big game that really means something if we win; we just haven't been able to grab that big opportunity.

Q: What are your thoughts about some of the big-name players in the VFL?

A: Terry Wallace, at Hawthorn, is a great player; he has heaps of courage and he's always there to lend assistance to his team-mates. He gets to the drop of the ball and pushes on all the time. I've got a lot of respect for a couple of players in our side in Terry Daniher, Simon Madden, Ronnie Andrews and Budgie, of course.

Q: How do you like living in Melbourne and being a league footballer?

A: It's good, there's no doubt about that. Everyone looks up at a league footballer and there is a bit of hero-type status. I work as a driver-salesman with Don Smallgoods, who are Essendon's sponsors and people get to recognise me and talk about footy wherever you go. People take a lot more interest in footy in Melbourne than in Perth. But as far as living in just as a place it's nowhere near as good as home.

Q: What about the future then?

A: I want to make sure I can do two or three more years back with East Perth. I want my life membership at East Perth and that means playing another 40 games

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BENNETT'S BURST By Robert Bennett well respected

football writer.



Lift your game Warren

THIS is the story of two football stars and a 12-year-old girl.

The stars are Claremont captain-coach, Graham Moss, and WA's leading fullforward, Warren Ralph. The girl is my daughter, who happens to be a Tigers supporter.

On the way to the Sandover Medal count last week she asked me to get the autographs of these two players.

In previous years, of my own volition, I have obtained the autographs of the Medal winner.

The fact she was only interested in two Claremont players indicates where her football heart lies.

As I expected, from my experience over more than a decade, Moss was very obliging.

In fact he went beyond the call of autograph signing. He asked my daughter's name and scribbled his best wishes.

Ralph was a different proposition.

I approached him with the Sandover Medal menu and pen, but before I could utter a word he snapped: "After what you've written about me, you've got to be joking."

Responded I. "Do I take that as a no?" "Yes," retorted the football idol.

I walked away, slightly bemused, and told a few of my colleagues of Ralph's reaction. It brought a smile to their lips.

I shan't repeat what some of them said for fear they might also be put on his "hit" list.

Afterwards I thought about what I wrote which Ralph found so offensive.

I did state Claremont should consider dropping him to the reserves or play him in the backline as he needed to fight harder for the ball and learn to make more of his opportunities.

Surely it couldn't have been that, After all Ralph admitted after kicking

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16 goals that he had been criticised this year for not being consistent and there wasn't much he could say in his defence.

My comments were vindicated when State coach John Todd dragged Ralph from the field in the important clash with Victoria.

If Ralph was so sensitive to my comments then I suppose it's just as well he's contemplating going to Victoria next year.

Would he refuse to play under Todd, should he again be State coach next year, because he had been so unkind as to take him off the ground in an interstate match?

It all boils down to Moss being very professional and mature in his dealings with the press, while Ralph is the opposite.

VICTORIAN SHOCK

If he takes offence at comments by the media in WA then he is going to be in for something of a shock when he goes to Victoria.

He will go from WA with a king-size reputation. While there is no doubting Ralph's ability there are sufficient shortcomings in his makeup to put a lot of pressure on him over there.

For example he doesn't respond very well to close checking.

There have been few players with the ability in WA to put him under the hammer, but in Victoria he will run up against such a player almost every week.

As well he won't be able to squander the opportunities he does in WA.

In Melbourne, a town where media competition is cut-throat and comments often ascerbic, Ralph is unlikely to be missed if he doesn't live up to the reputation that has preceded him.

Oh incidentally Warren, I didn't tell my daughter that one of her heroes wouldn't give his autograph.

Can't disillusion her at such a tender age. Besides she thinks Graham Moss is just about the best thing ever to pull on football boots . . . so I guess she is still amoured with Claremont.

Racing and football often go together and in this weekly segment we present West Perth fan and GPR race caller TREVOR



Trainer Len Morton's recent spell has been as rough as the Bay of Biscay . . . but he will soon have his colours flashing past the winner's post when the well-bred three-year-old FLASHING BISCAY steps out again.



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Wake up, WAFL

WHEN is the WAFL going to come to grips with the fact that our pre-match big-game entertainment is nothing short of kindergarten stuff? Heavens above, the last thing we want at EVERY finals game is people coming down from the heavens. Who wants those skydivers? No-one I've ever spoken to (apart from a distant cousin who once had one land in his backyard and he got his photo in the paper) is slightly interested in them. We know that they will always land in the centre circle (although we did have fun a couple of years back when one landed in the railway yards) and they really don't have a lot to do with football, do they? Why can't we adopt that suggestion from someone that we have footy-flavoured entertainment, such as a super kick, a series of handball competitions around the oval, athletics involving our players . . . anything but skydivers, bands and marching girls!

Wally's turn

TALKING about that pre-game entertainment; wasn't it interesting to see Peter Waltham, compere of Seven's World of Sport, handling the introductions. The WAFL certainly don't stick with anyone for too long. In recent big-games we've had Gary Carvolth, Tim Flynn and even J.K. Watts at one stage.

Early start

Who was the leading media man who left the first semi-final early to beat the traffic. It seems that the writer had finished his story and he had no great desire to sit around and watch the Sharks being devoured by the Swans, so off he went.

Tiger talk

MY spies down at Claremont tell me that Tigers president Wal Maskiell was not too impressed with the way the reserves side bowed out of the finals. In fact, he was so upset by their performance that he went down to the changerooms and had his say. My spies also tell me that there are now a few disgruntled players within the club's ranks.

Legacy legacy

STILL with the pre-game action at Subiaco Oval last week. The boys from Legacy took off for their week-long jog around the South West as part of Legacy Week . . . and left a legacy of their start at the ground. The dias from which Legacy president and Royals WAFL director Jim Murphy sent the runners on their way was left sitting on the oval when all the top brass vacated the scene. It was really a case of too many commanders and not enough troops as top brass from the various armed services and the WAFL left the scene. It was left to poor old WAFL secretary Neil Judge to try and find someone strong enough (and willing enough) to carry the stand off the ground.

Tactical blunder

EAST Fremantle have certainly come in for their share of criticism since losing the first semi-final in their inglorious style; so we won't labour the point. But just two or three little points . . . whoever decided to kick against a strong breeze was way off the mark; Old Easts' only chance of taking the game was if they jumped Swans at the start. And all that talk about Sharks coach Ron Alexander leaving himself out of the team was interesting also, particularly as the word at East Fremantle is that he was keen to play, but the selectors weren't so fussy. And finally, I'm sure there were a couple of Sharks who looked as though they wanted to desert the pack and become Swans they did their level best to help their rivals get plenty of kicks!

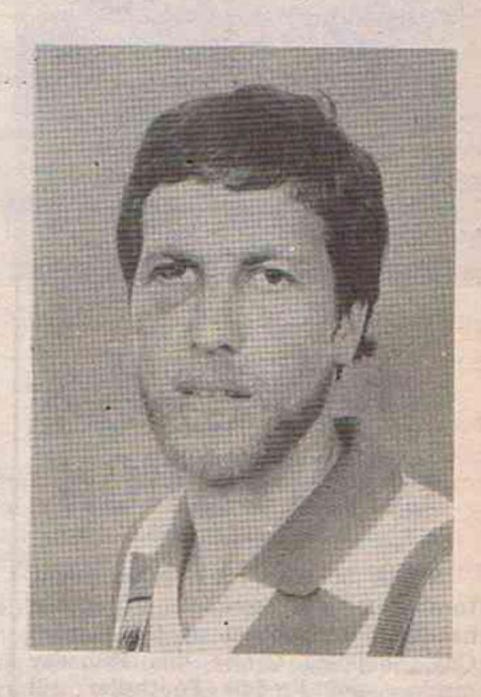




I was digging through the Westside Football photo files the other day and came across this strapping young South Fremantle player.

Just how years change ones appearance. Our current picture (Below) of the same gentleman shows a slightly more mature appearance.

Bruce Monteath has been in league football for a long time.



Wise winner

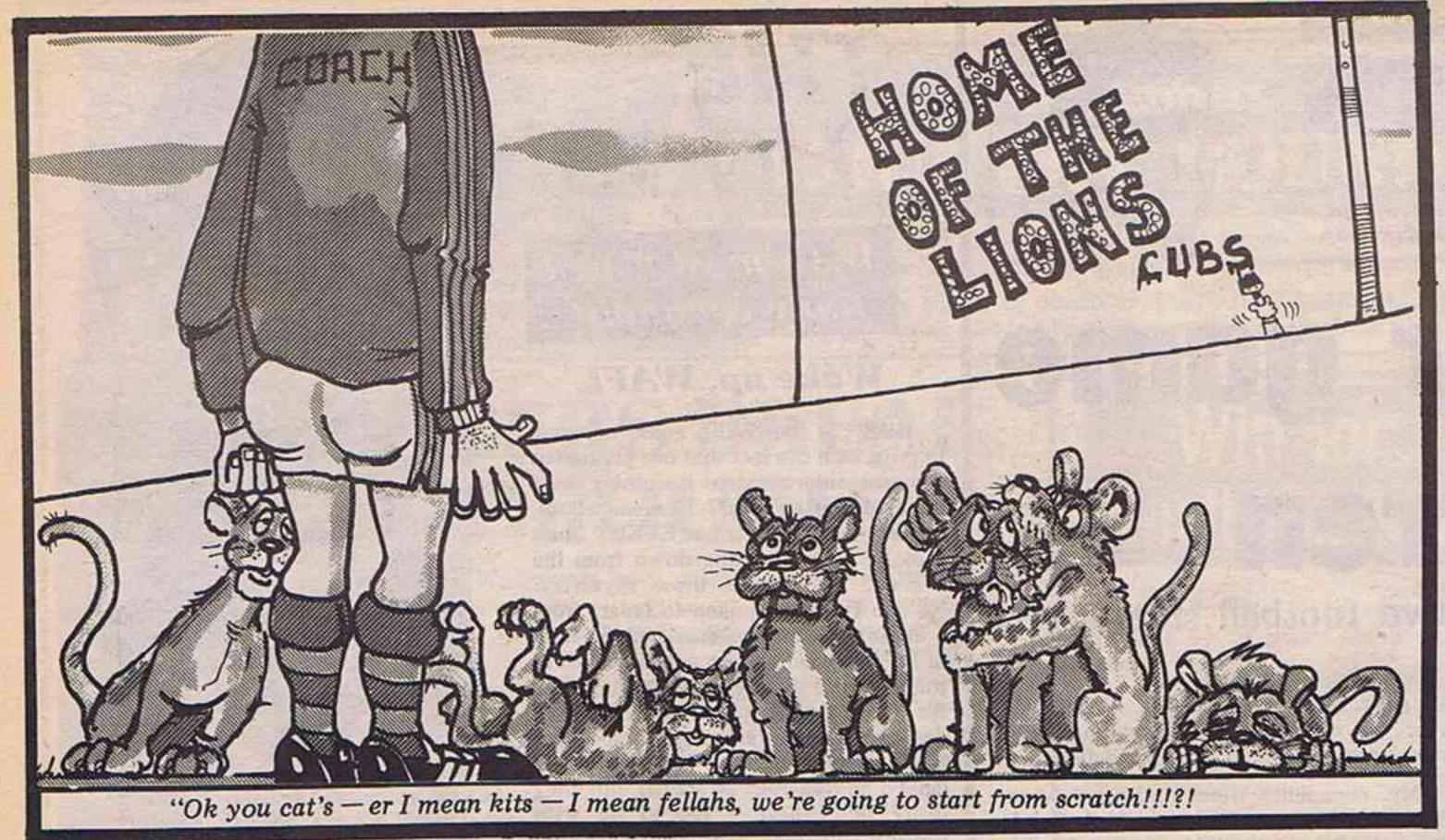
NOT every media man overlooked John Ironmonger's chances in the Channel 7-Sandover Medal. One critic prominent in newspaper and radio had a wager on Ironmonger early in the season which returned him a handsome dividend - and sent the poor bookie broke!

Royal routed

EAST Perth have done it again -. upset the media. This time the instruction has gone out at the Daily News that East Perth are on the "banned" list as far as publicity goes. It seems as though the Royals heavies didn't like a particular story that Robbie Burns wrote, so they chucked him a mouthful of abuse. The heirarchy at the Daily decided that they have had enough of such treatment and subsequently the Royals are personanon-grata at present.

Subi blunder

THE elite group of Subiaco officials who sat in their private boxes in the big grandstand last Saturday had an ideal view of the game - and could easily watch the star performance of a player they evicted from the club. Mick Johns certainly enjoyed his trip back to his old stamping ground and he has emerged as a real key player in this Swans side. As coach John Todd said when Subiaco rang up and offered Johns to Swans midway through the season . . . "it was amazing." An error of judgement, one of the World of Sport commentators described it . . . and that was being generous!





HANDBALL COMPETITION

SOME of WA's most gifted young footballers will compete in special handball competition at the Garden City Shopping Centre this Thursday night... and Freddie Footballer will be on hand to give them special support.

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Tigers first win over South

IT WAS against South Fremantle 57 years ago that Claremont recorded their first victory in league football, however, that historical win pales into insignificance compared with this week's clash.

The two clubs have met only six times in final round football and Claremont have won just two of those encounters. But they were good games to win because the victories came in the 1940 and 1981 grand finals.

In the 52 years that the Page System has operated, on 20 occasions the loser of the second semi final has failed to make it to the grand final. Claremont experienced this in 1979 and 1965 while South Fremantle had the misfortune in 1976 and 1955.

For the record this week's game is the 177th between the two sides and South have won 107 of those matches, Claremont 68 and there have been two draws.

Royals lead

JOHN Ironmonger's victory in the Sandover Medal count means that East Perth now lead the way with individual winners. Ironmonger took their total to 10 while West Perth have had nine winners and East Fremantle seven.

This year was only the eighth time in the post-war era (38 years) that the winner has come from outside the top four teams. The lowest team to supply the winner was Perth when, from seventh place in 1945, George Bailey was successful and from the same position on the table Barry Cable picked up the medal in 1973.

Shark's record

THE team with the most appearances in a second semi final is East Fremantle. And from their 23 games in this important match they have recorded the most wins with 13. The highest score was recorded by Perth (23.16) against East Fremantle in 1977. The lowest score was West Perth's 6.6 in 1954 against East Fremantle. The biggest winning margin on record is East

Perth's 86 points against Perth in 1957. West Perth hold the record for having played in more consecutive second semi finals than any other team.

They played in 10 in succession from 1945 to 1954. The least number of appearances has been by Subiaco. They have played in just four second semi finals.

Ralph tops

By kicking over 100 goals this year Claremont's Warren Ralph has put himself in a top bracket of eight famous fullforwards. Ralph's feat this year in registering his third consecutive century has only been equalled or bettered by seven other league players in Australia. Bernie Naylor, of South Fremantle, Ted Tyson (West Perth) and Bob Pratt (South Melbourne) all scored centuries three years in a row. Peter Hudson (Hawthorn) and West Perth's Ray Scott did it four years on end. Subiaco's Austin Robertson kicked five centuries in succession and East Fremantle's George Doig kicked nine triple figure tallies straight. But the Australian record for a league player goes to North Adelaide's Ken Farmer, who, between 1930 and 1940, kicked 11 hundreds in a row.







EILEEN BROWN, mother of football's Mr Controversy, Malcolm Brown, is Australia's first female football columnist.

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MOTHER BROWN

Well done, John



IT may be a bit late, but I would like to congratulate John Ironmonger, Bryan Cousins and Brad Hardie on their efforts in the Sandover Channel 7 Medal. Big John thoroughly deserved the medal and he should be a better player for it. But the presentation by TVW left a lot to be desired. We were chopped off just as Ironmonger had been awarded his prize and we didn't get the opportunity to hear Cousins or Hardie say a few words. Surely Cousins was entitled to say something; after all he only missed out on the medal on a countback. I hope there is a better presentation next year.

Umpire system

ALL season the colts have been handled under the one umpire system, so I cannot understand why they would adopt the two umpire method for last week's first semi final. Surely that must be confusing for the young players. After getting used to the interpretations of one man they suddenly have to change their style of play to suit the two umpires. I believe the move was untimely. If the change was going to be made it should have happened a few weeks before the finals. Just the same, the two men in charge of Saturday's game did the job well.

Tough decision

* * *

MUCH has been said about Ron Alexander's decision not to take his place in the East Fremantle side last Saturday. Many people have criticised big Ron because the young Sharks needed his on-field leadership. But it is easy to be wise after the event. I am sure the same people who believe he should have played, would be the first to castigate him for playing if he had broken down in the first few minutes. Besides being disappointed at missing the game Ron must also have felt for young defender Michael Brennan. He was a top half back flanker in that side all year, only to miss out on the first semi final because of illness. It would have been different even if injury had forced him out of the game. I wish him well next season.

Sad night

I WAS disappointed with the crowd that turned out for the first semi final last week. And it was also sad to see so many people leaving the ground at three quarter time. However, it should be a different story this week when South Fremantle play Claremont – that should be a top game.

Super Sartori

THIS week's Playboy Hairstylists free haircut goes to young Swan Districts ruckman Peter Sartori. He was the outstanding player in the first semi final, kicking five goals and doing well around the ground as well. He is one of the most promising players in the game and we have not yet seen the best of him.

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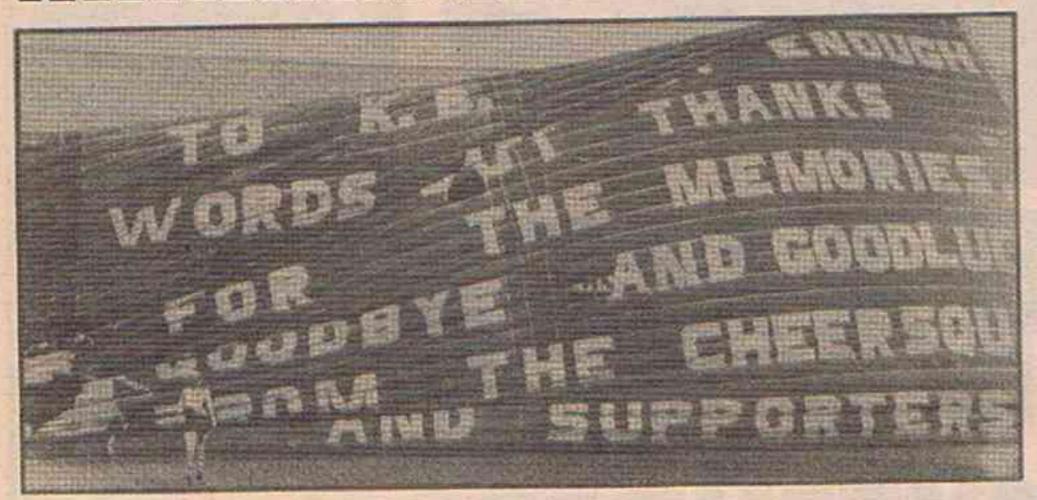
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BARTLETT'S FAREWELL

WHEN Kevin Bartlett played his 400th game three weeks ago, the biggest banner ever put together in Melbourne greeted the little champ as he made his entry on to the MCG.

Last Saturday, the magnitude of that banner was humbled by the size of the one prepared for his final exit from league football.

The massive banner — pictured above — read "To KB Words are not enough but thanks for the memories. Goodbye and good luck from the cheer squad and supporters".

However, the most emotional moment came for Bartlett after the game, when he was applauded by his team-mates as he entered the changerooms.

Questioned about his future, he replied, "I'm not certain at the moment. I have had plenty of offers to do a number of things and I will be thinking about all of them this week."

HAMILTON DECIDES

VFL general manager, Jack Hamilton was quick off the mark last Saturday in allocating the venues for this weekend's elimination and qualifying finals.

He was given the power — for the first time — to allocate grounds for the finals and decided the re-match of last Saturday's Carlton versus Essendon encounter would be played at VFL Park and the Fitzroy-Hawthorn game would be at the MCG.

He announced his decision only moments after last Saturday's matches had finished.

Hamilton has decided that the potentially biggest crowd pulling games will be staged at the VFL's own stadium.

It is estimated that 80,000 people should see the Essendon-Carlton match, while around 65,000 will go to the MCG for the qualifying final.

Merrett shrugs off the 'Hit-man' tag

Essendon's Roger Merrett, named last week as a "hit man" in VFL football, was one of his side's best players against Carlton last Saturday.

The 6ft 5in big man from the Victorian country district of Kaniva said he had been extremely jittery before Saturday's match, but settled down once the game started.

"Everyone at the club — my team mates through to the trainers, have been fantastic. There was a bit of pressure on before the game, but once I got out on to the ground everything was OK. The Carlton players didn't say anything, and I never take any notice of the crowd" he said.

"All that hit man talk has finished as far as I am concerned" he said.

'Collingwood have denied rumours that Peter Daicos will leave to join Richmond next season.

It has been reported that several top players are unhappy at Collingwood about the huge money being paid to Mike Richardson and Gary Shaw. They claim it is out of proportion with what some of the established players are receiving.

Daicos has had several contracutral disagreements with the Magpie hierarchy this season and was recently droppped to the reserves for disciplinary reasons after the money troubles and missing a players meeting.

WA PLAYER ROUND-UP

Thirty former WA footballers played VFL football last weekend. Here is a breakdown of the statistical performances

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CAHILL HITS OUT

Collingwood coach John Cahill hit out at the Melbourne media this week claiming that certain people had turned his club into a "whipping boy".

"How the players are expected to concentrate on their football with so many people continually knocking them amazes me," he said.

"It is the inuendoes that people seem to write. I've only been here twelve months but the flak this club cops is incredible".

Cahill's outbursts followed radio reports that both he and club president Ranald Macdonald would be stepping down.

"I'll be here for at least two years, there is simply no truth in these rumours whatso-ever", Cahill said.

Macdonald also refuted the rumours saying he would serve out the three years he was elected for.

Wallace wins big awards

Hawthorn's Terry Wallace is \$14,000 richer after winning three of the biggest football awards in the VFL.

He won the Channel 7 World of Sport football award and the Herald newspaper award — both valued at \$6,000; collected \$2,000 as the Sunday Press Footballer of the Year, winning by one vote from Ross Glendinning.

Glendinning, however, was successful in a \$2,000 award from Channel 7 for gaining the most possessions in the season. He was 60 clear of Mike Richardson and Steven Wallace.

Essendon's Simon Madden won a \$2,000 prize as the Sunday Observer's Footballer of the Year. He defeated Maurice Rioli on a countback.

Collingwood's Philip Walsh and Footscray's Brian Royal shared most of the best first year player awards.

Thomas wants to stay in SA

DASHING Norwood utility Keith Thomas will decide his football future at the end of the season when his one-year contract with the Redlegs expires.

Thomas, 21, was drafted to VFL club Melbourne last season but is not certain whether he will make the move across the border.

There is no doubt his loyalties lie with the Redlegs.

"I have always had a one-year contract with Norwood, which is the way I want it," he said this week.

"The club has always treated me well and fairly and has had my future in mind. I have no complaints whatsoever.

"However, if a firm offer is made by Melbourne I would have to give it consideration.

"I haven't spoken to Norwood or Melbourne about my future beyond 1983 but certainly you can be usured that the Redlegs will be given the first option on my services.

"I honestly would much prefer to stay in Adelaide I love the place, the people and the lifestyle.

WOODVILLE UPSET

Woodville caused an upset by beating South Adelaide last Saturday.

The shock loss saw South surrender third spot on the premiership table to Norwood, and raised serious doubts about their finals chances.

SA NEWS

It was a great triumph for playing coach Malcolm Blight who kicked four goals and rated highly for Woodville.

The Warriors trailed at half time but fought back strongly to win by 10 points.

TON FOR ROBERTS

Norwood forward Neville Roberts kicked 10 goals against Central District to take his tally to 100 for the season.

It was also raining goals at Richmond Oval where West Adelaide full forward Roger Luders kicked 11 goals to set a club record of 91 for the season.

GLENELG FINISHED

West thrashed Glenelg to end Glenelg's faint hopes of making the finals.

The final five was set when North Adelaide beat West Torrens.

Port cannot make the finals, for the first time since 1969 and only the seventh time in the clubs history.

Norwood needs only to beat Glenelg this Saturday to ensure a double chance in the finals which begin on Saturday week.













Claremontthe top scorers

THE complete list of goalkickers in the WAFL this season reveals many interesting football facts.

Claremont have produced the highest number of goals for the season - a total of 444 - but have used the least number of players to achieve the tally, just 24 goalkickers.

South Fremantle are slightly behind with 423 goals coming from 25 play-

By contrast, the spread of goalkicking talent at Swan Districts is evident with 33 players having a share in their 393 goals.

Naturally those three top teams head the tally of goals kicked.

East Perth were fourth with 366 goals (27 players) followed by East Fremantle (339 goals, 31 players), West Perth (319 goals, 29 players), Perth (313 goals, 35 players) and Subiaco (288 goals, 30 players).

The best goalkicking performance of the year was Warren Ralph's 16.3 and he also booted tallies of 11.6, 10.4, 10.3 and 8.2, collecting a goal in 20 of the 21 games he played. The day he failed to kick a goal he booted six points.

Other double-figure tallies for the season came from Chris Stasinowsky (11.3), and Clinton Brown (10.1).

There were plenty of other good goal hauls during the season - Colin Waterson 9.1; John Scott 9.3; Mick Rea 8.2; Craig Edwards 8.3; Clint Brown 8.1 and Paul Werner 8.0.

A number of players showed goalkicking consistency over the season with Jeff Cassidy and Waterson goaling in 17 matches, Bruce Monteath and John Scott in 18, Peter Thorne, Peter Spencer and Brad Shine in 17.

SWAN DISTRICTS: Paul Werner 38.23; Leon Baker 29.17; Brad Shine 28.26; Phil Narkle 27,30; Keith Narkle 27,28; Barry Kimberley 24.19; Don Holmes 22.27; Stan Nowotny 19.22; Ken Marshall 19.9; Ron Boucher 19.3; Mike Smith 15.13; Peter Sartori 14.7; Don Langsford 11.16; Ed Blackaby 11.10; Mick Johns 11.6; Chris Burgess 9.3; Robert Maiden 8.3; Gerard Neesham 7.10; Brent Hutton 7.9; Peter Ware 7.3; Leigh Brenton 6.10; Peter Kenny 6.10; Murray Rance 6.8; Tom Floyd 5.3; Alan Cransberg 4.1; Tony Solin 4.0; Gavin Outridge 2.2; Bill Skwirowski 2.0; Jon Fogarty 1.4; Alan Sidebottom 1.2; Peter Hodyl 1.2; Peter Nuich 1.0; Murray Scheer 1.0; Alby Smith 0.1.

CLAREMONT: Warren Ralph 123.64; Allen Daniels 47.34; Brett Farmer 36.20; Stephen Goulding 34.20; Michael Mitchell 29.13; Wayne Blackwell 28.22; Graham Moss 28.8; Darrell Panizza 27.30; Steve Malaxos 22.17; Mark Watson 16,12; Barry Beecroft 11.12; Larry Kickett 8.2; Noel Morton 8.0; Lindsay Kanther 5.3; Peter Davidson 4.8; Reg Watson 3.3; Mark Hann 3.2; Peter Jamieson 3.2; Michael O'Connell 2.4; Alan Rowe 2.2; Michael Dickfos 2.0; Robert Poepjes 1.3; Bradley Reynolds 1.1; Paddy Papalla 1.0; Cameron Lewis 0.1; Dean Farmer 0.1; Simon LIII 0.1.

WEST PERTH: Peter Avery 41.25; Graeme Comerford 35.27; Shane Fitzsimmons 26.25; Peter Menaglio 25.15; Les Fong 21.13; Brian Adamson 20.10; Ross Gibbs 14.19; Phil Cronan 14.17; Craig Nelson 14.10; Paul Mountain 13.16; George Michalczyk 12.11; Phil Bradmore 9.8; David Hart 9.7; Geoff Hendriks 9.5; Rod Alderton 8.13; Noel Mugavin 8.5; Nell Fotheringhame

GOALS!

7.9; John Duckworth 7.7; Doug Simms 7.5; Russell Ellen 4.3 Ray Holden 3.2: Dean Warwick 2.6; Wayne Dayman 2.3; Alan Watling 2.2; Dean Falconer 1.3; Mal Bennett 1.1; Tony Pola 1.0; John Gastevich 1.0; Mick O'Brien 1.0; Ben Jager 0.2; Ross Munns 0.1; Ramsay Bogunovich 0.1; Dean Campbell 0.1.

PERTH: Mick Rea 47.23; Earl Spalding 35.19; Bryan Cousins 31.44; Doug Simms 20.21; Ross Fitzgerald 20.15; Peter O'Connell 17.15; Daryl Freame 15.13; Ian Newman 14.3; Lindsay Carter 13.15; Glen Moir 13.11; Robble Hooker 11.6; Rhett Baynes 11.4; Cam Shepherd 9.15; Steve Turner 8.7; Len Gandini 7.3; Brett Yorgey 6.4; Glen McGuinness 6.2; Oral McGuire 4.4; Mark Washfold 3.0; Brian Dawson 3.0; Michael Garbin 2,7; Ian Jones 2.2; Michael Page 2.0; Greg Campbell 1.6; Kevin Worthington 1.3; John McGuire 1.3; Paul Collie 1.3; Joe Santostefano 1.2; Gary Armstrong 1.1; Sean O'Brien 1.1; Bryn Chute 1.1; Harry Mumford 1.1; John Zalkos 1.0; Grant Cope 1.0; Chris Lee 1.0; Clint Roberts 0.2; Peter Ashworth 0.1; Terry Coleman 0.1.

SUBIACO: Clinton Brown 59,38; Brendan McFaull 20.8; Phil Lamb 19.22; David Perry 17.9; Laurie Keene 17.7; Michael Mort 15.18; Geoff Ironmonger 11.4; Warren Dean 10.12; Neil Taylor 10.10; Greg Kelly 10.5; Terry Chapman 9.10; Peter Thomas 9.7; Mick Lee 9.4; Rod Brown 8.7; Greg Wilkinson 8.2; Shane Braddy 7.6; Peter Castles 7.4; Bevan Warner 7.4; Bill Dunne 6.8; Steve Leishman 6.1; Mark Zanotti 5.4; Mick Staples 5.4; Ian Tucker 5.2: Wayne Dawson 4.6; Phil Scott 2.4; Paul Ross 1.2; Michael Fairclough 1.2; Vic Melville 1.2; Paul Wilson 1.3; John Bengough 1.1; Ray Reeves 0.2; Mick Johns 0.1: Todd Breman 0.1.

EAST PERTH: John Scott 66.34; Craig Edwards 55.30; Peter Spencer 49.25; Peter Thorne 45,46; Dean Turner 21,15; Alex Hamilton 18.9; Grant Campbell 16.15; Chris Allen 16.14; John Ironmonger 12.10; Arnold Cox 9.5; Peter Dawson 8.8; John Dimmer 6.5; Glyn Williams 6.3; Richard Dennis 5.8; Robert Solin 5.1; Stan Magro 4.8; Lance Kelly 4.3; Craig Earnshaw 4.3; Mark Blakely 4.1; David Morgan 4.1; Tom Smith 2.1; Alex Ishchenko 1.5; Russell Sparks 1.2; Angelo Delborrello 1.2; Glen Bartlett 1.1; John Nolan 1.0; Greg Walsh 1.0; Gavin Hawkins 0.2; Greg Carpenter 0.1.

SOUTH FREMANTLE: Chris Stasinowsky 59.36; Paul Arnold 50.32; Bruce Monteath 47.39; Brad Hardie 42.43; Willie Roe 35.32; Wally Matera 30.33; Noel Carter 29.28; Nicky Winmar 17.16; Stephen Mount 17.9; Geoff Gillies 14.6; Stephen Michael 11.11; Paul Vasoli 9.6; David Rawlinson 9.5; John Hayes 8.8; Barrie Quick 8.5; Geoff O'Brien 7.8; Michael Cockie 8.4; Rod Grijusich 7.1; John Townsend 5.7; Neil Randall 4.2; Benny Vigona 3.10; Lindsay Borthwick 2.1; Wayne Delmenico 1.1; Warren Moscini 1.0; Ken Martin 1.0; Rodd Barrett 0.1; Jon Dorotich

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FIRST SEMI SHOTS

MIGHTY MARIO

FOOTBALL fans felt that East Fremantle were about to launch a great comeback in the first semi when rover Mario Turco produced a booming kick to bring up the Sharks' third goal at the start of the second term. Turco had run off the half-back line to race through a pack of players, accept a handball on the way and unleash a kick from well inside the centre square. The ball bounced about 10 metres out from goal, but was out of reach of the racing Tony Solin and went through for a major.

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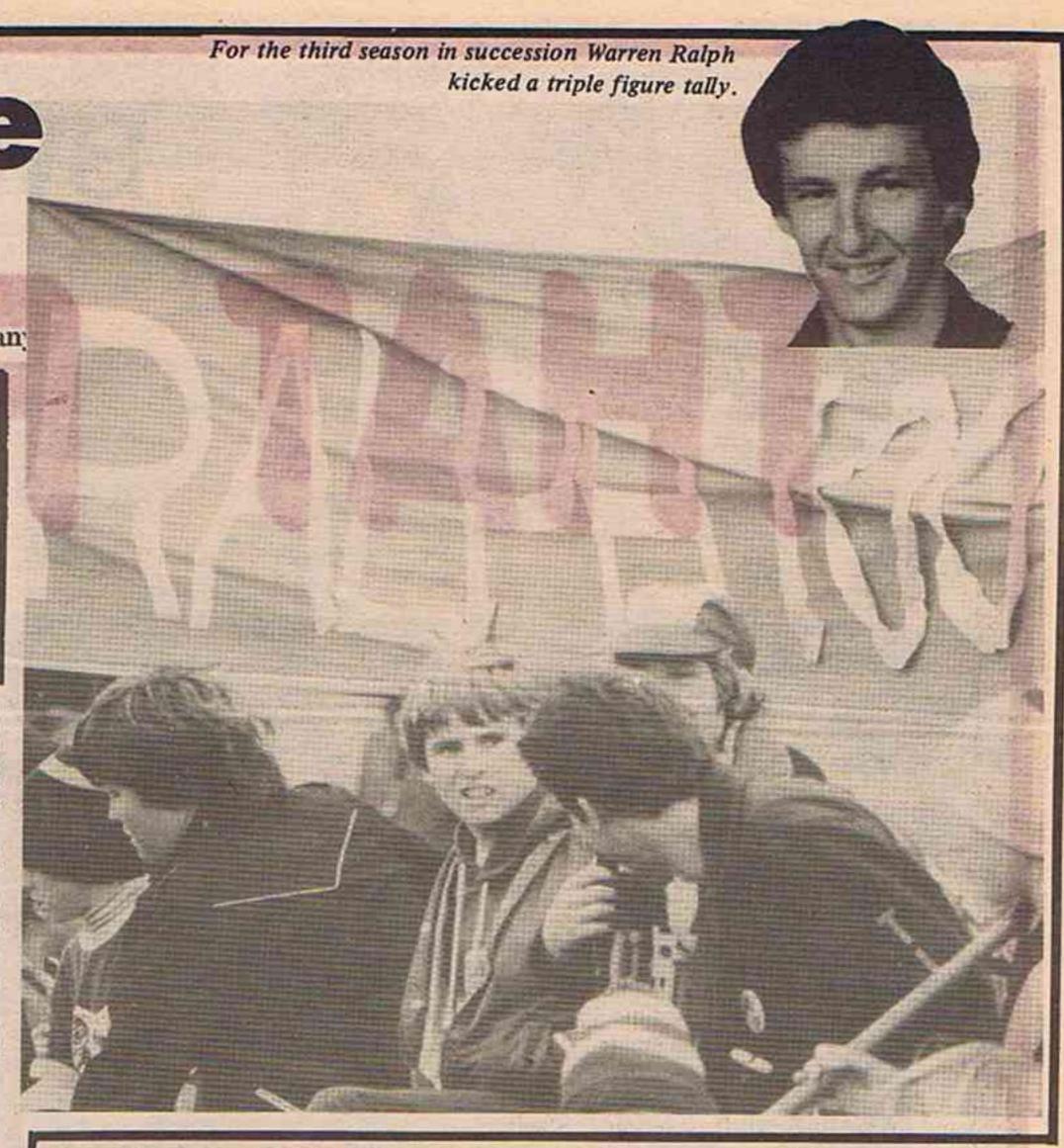
FORMER Subiaco player Mick Johns was a real workhorse in the successful Swan Districts team last week, playing on a ground fairly familiar to him. Johns produced Swans seventh goal after working hard in the goalsquare, bringing the ball to the ground, scrambling around on all fours trying to get it out and then finally picking it up at the base of the pack and turning around for a quick snap shot that was right on target.

DASHING DEFENCE

ANOTHER goal kicked by Swans' Mick Johns really belonged to their dashing defender, Bill Skwirowski. The rugged half-back flanker burst through a number of East Fremantle defenders to cross the centre square and send an accurate kick down to a waiting Johns, who did the right thing by goaling.



SURELY it's one of the goals of the year . . . David Rankin's major for East Fremantle in the third quarter. Rankin came out of his back-pocket and featured in two handpasses as he raced downfield. He kicked the ball over the centre, but kept following it up to receive another handpass and goal on the run from the half-forward line.





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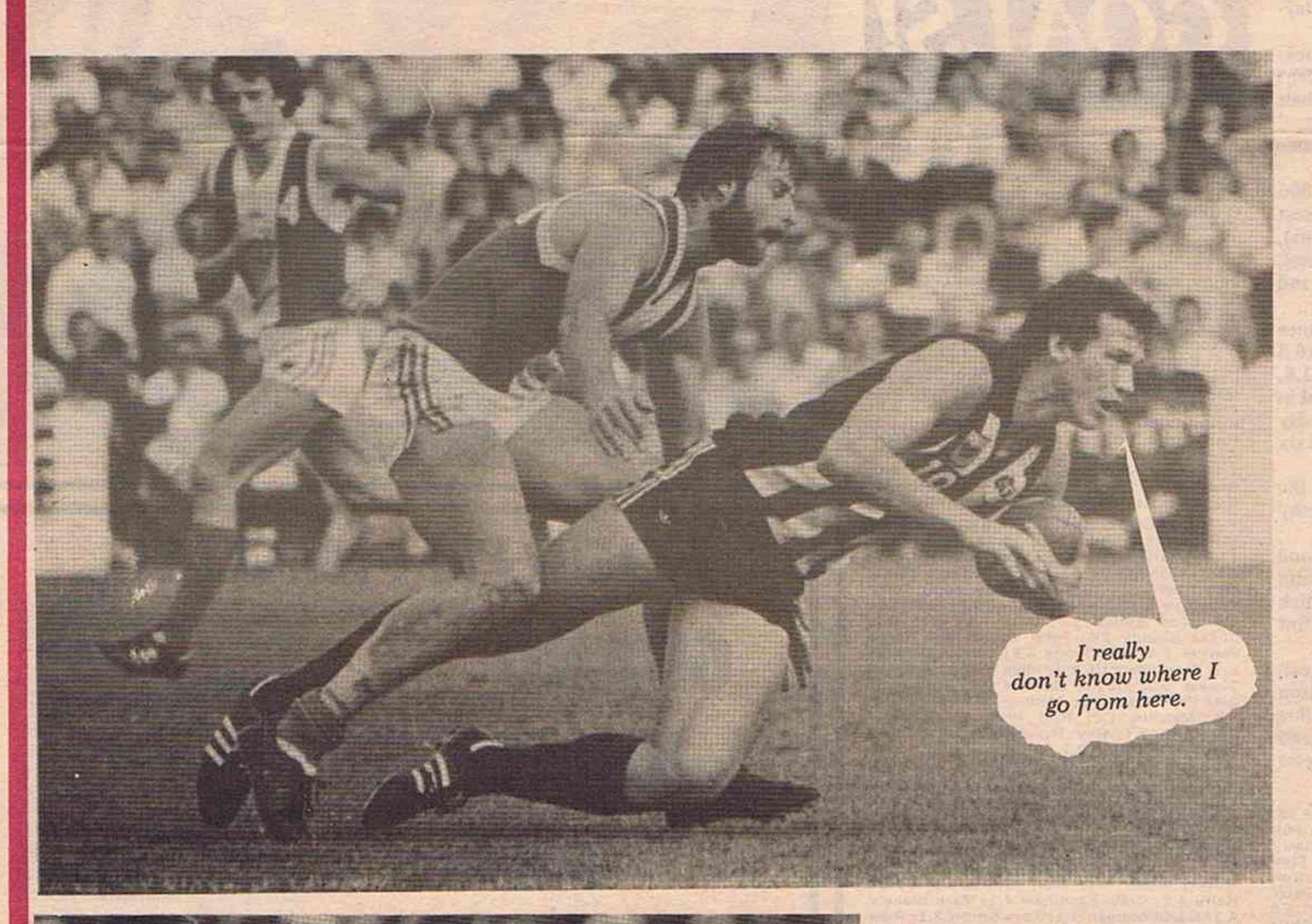
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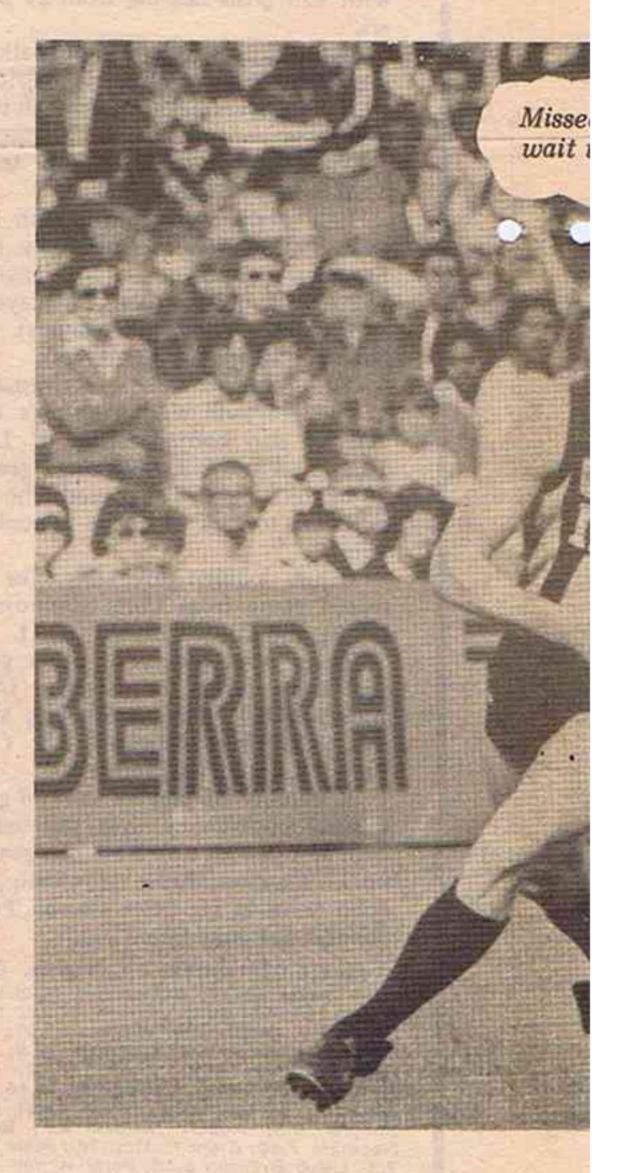
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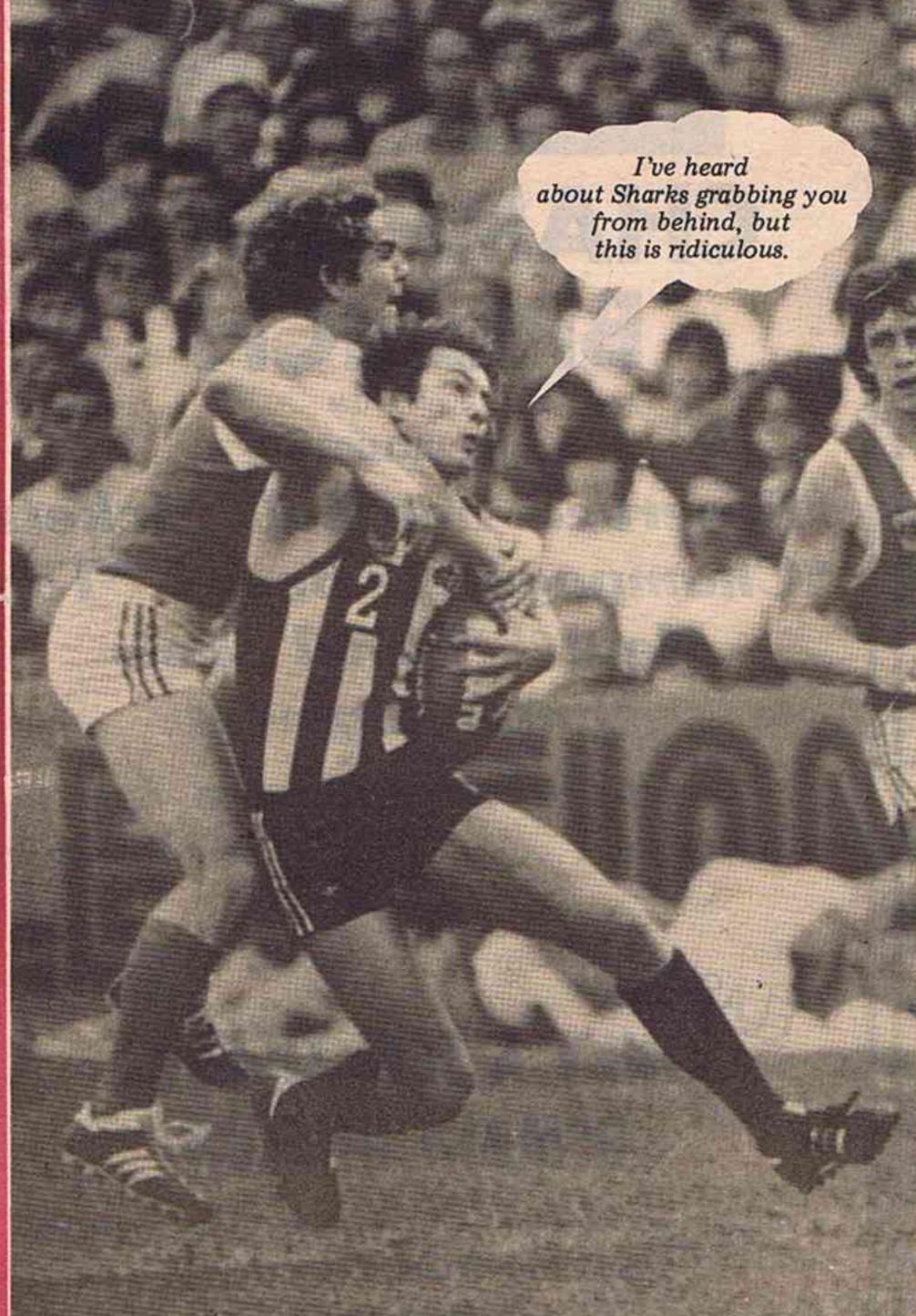
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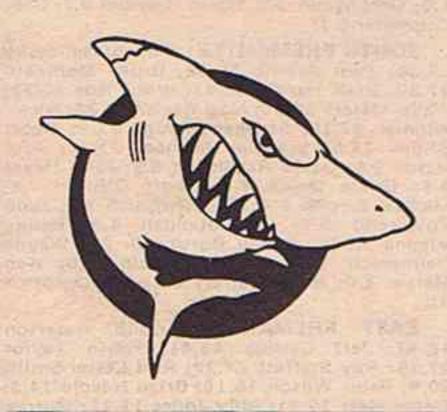
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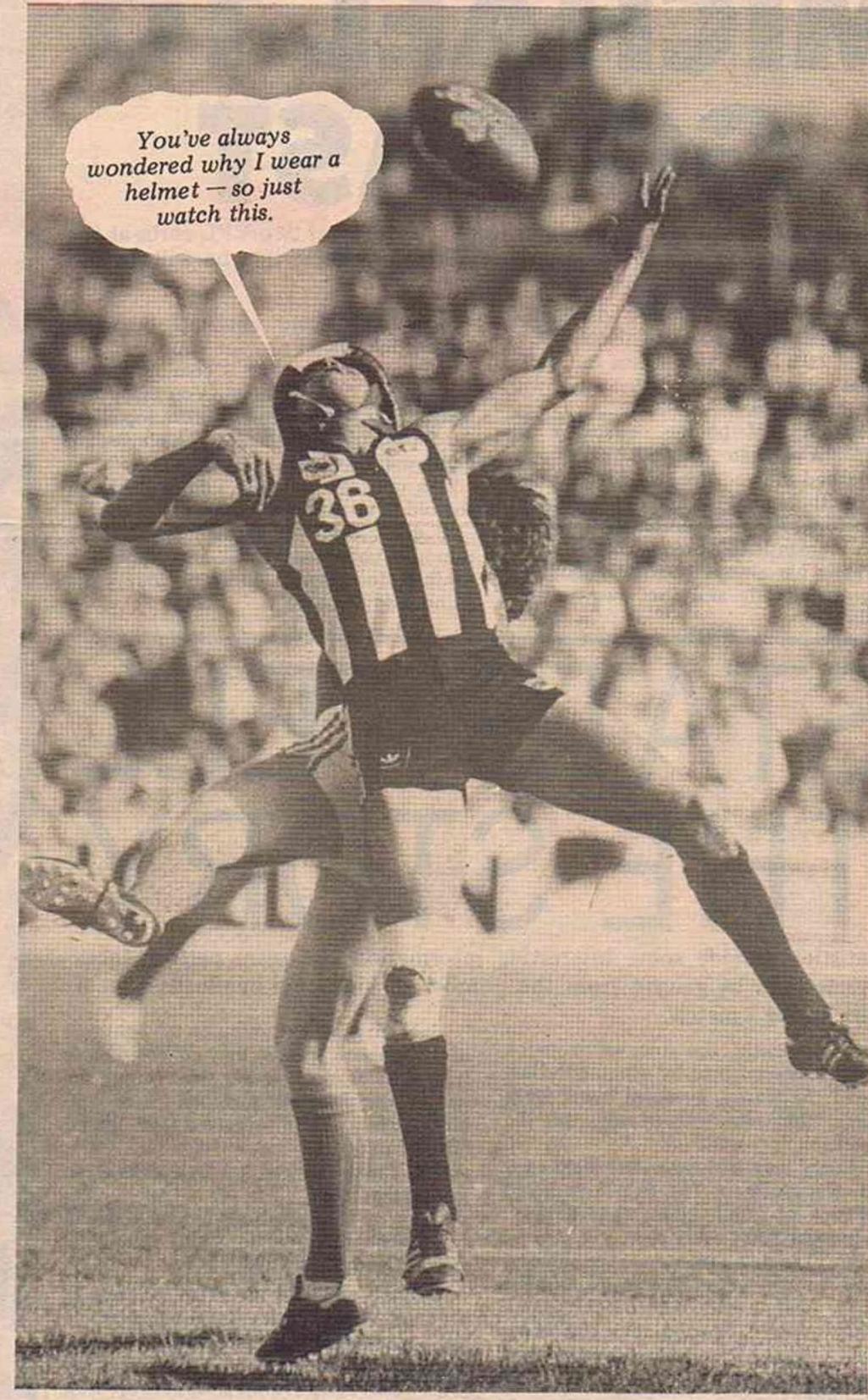
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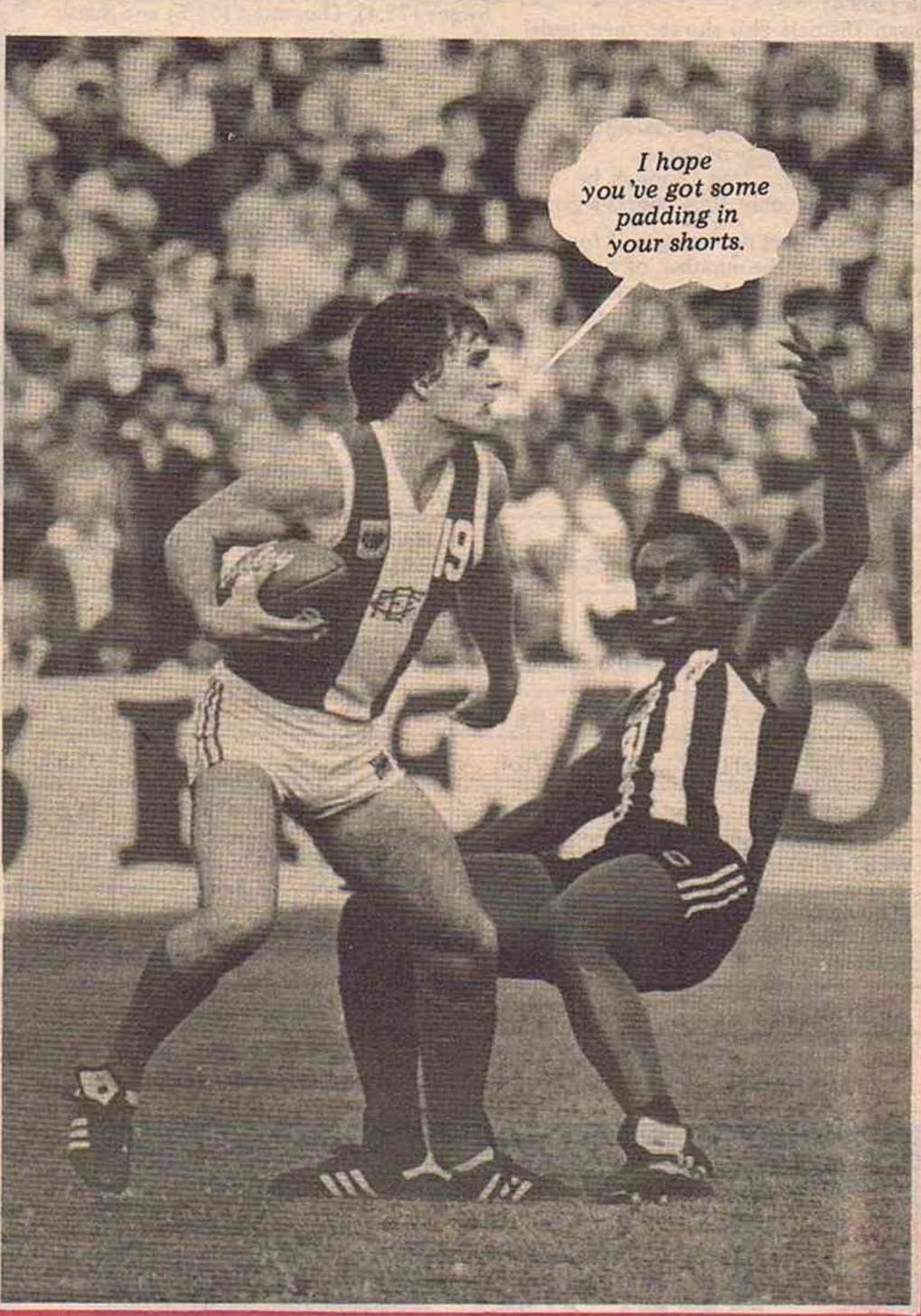








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MICHAEL TO GO EAST

Stephen Michael is to have discussions with at least two VFL clubs at the end of the season and it seems only a matter of course that he will play in Melbourne next year.

Richmond and Geelong are both chasing his services but he has told them that he will not talk about next season until after he has completed his obligations with South Fremantle.

He told a Melbourne newspaper this week: "A couple of VFL clubs have approached me and I've said I would have a talk with them at the end of the year and not before. My main ambition is to lead South Fremantle to a premiership.

"There has always been talk about me going to Victoria and I've always said I couldn't go.

"I felt I could get my interstate satisfaction when I play for WA.

"But may be the time is coming when I have to try VFL football. You can't turn a blind eye to Victoria — it's the top State for football and all the top WA players are doing well over there.

"I'm only 27 now and I don't think I'm too old to go over there.

"I don't drink or smoke, and I don't ruin my body so I think I can play top football for another three or four years without any trouble".

STATS TELL THE STORY

Statistics provide some interesting information and team performances can sometimes be gauged from the number of kicks and handballs a team gathers during a match.

East Fremantle, the side which snuck into the first semi final by winning the last game of the season, averaged fewer kicks a game than six other sides in the competition.

The only team which had less kicks each match was Subiaco. The Sharks gathered an average of 208.5 kicks while Subiaco managed just 200.4 every game.

Swan Districts recorded the highest average for the season in this department over the season with 236.7 kicks a game.

They were followed by Claremont (229.0), South Fremantle (225.3), East Perth (219.7), Perth (213.6) and West Perth (209.4).

Swan Districts also showed their aerial supremacy by taking an average of 84.1 marks in each of the 21 qualifying games this season. The two teams contesting this week's second semi final, Claremont and South Fremantle were next best.

Subiaco also fared poorly in this category taking only 65.4 marks a game.

Claremont's fast run-on style of football is illustrated in the number of handballs they had in each match. Their average over the season was 121.6 in each game while their nearest rival was East Perth with 113.5. The only other team in triple figures was bottom team Perth with 101.3.

Claremont also recorded the highest disposals each week. They had 350.6 in a game and their closest rival was Swan Districts with 334.5.

Subiaco must have been on the right side of the umpires because they collected more free kicks than any other side. During the season the umpires awarded them 756 kicks while Perth received the lowest number of 605.

The Lions also had less free kicks given against them.

Only on 619 occasions did the umpires go against them while South Fremantle had 723 and West Perth 708.

Subiaco also had the youngest team in the competition. Their average games played tally was just 43.3 while Perth was next with 49.2, followed by East Fremantle (50.1), East Perth (56.1), West Perth (66.5), Swans (72.4), Claremont (74.5) and South Fremantle (81.4).

Claremont were the highest scoring side in 1983 averaging 142.1 points. They were followed by South Fremantle (139.1), Swan Districts (130.9), East Perth (118.0), East Fremantle (111.4), West Perth (106.2), Perth 103.5) and Subiaco (94.1).

Subjaco had the highest average score kicked against them with 142.2 points being the average.

East Perth, mainly through the agency of Sandover Medallist John Ironmonger, had the most effective ruck brigade in league football. They won 815 tap-outs during the season, just six more than Subiaco, whose tally would have been taken up by the work of Laurie Keene.

The chart below gives a complete breakdown of weekly averages

Swan Districts utility

player Jon Fogarty has

built a reputation as a

man who likes to do

the hard things in foot-

ball. And on Saturday

he also showed enjoy-

ment in doing the

spectacular. Here he

pulls down a great

mark, but in the

process he fell on East

Fremantle ruck rover

Peter Wilson and the

young Shark did not

re-appear after going

off the ground. Fogarty

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CLAREMONT	229.0	79.5	121.6	350.6	662	31.5	669	31.9	1490	74.5	142.1	98.1	607	28.9
SWAN DISTRICTS	236.7	84.1	97.8	334.5	637	30.3	697	33.2	1448	72.4	130.9	107.4	799	38.0
EAST FREMANTLE	208.5	78.4	97.9	306.4	667	31.8	659	31.4	1002	50.1	111.4	128.1	621	29.6
EAST PERTH	219.7	78.1	113.5	333.2	727	34.6	668	31.8	1122	56.1	118.0	120.0	815	38.8
WEST PERTH	209.4	75.0	85.1	294.5	728	34.7	708	33.7	1330	66.5	106.2	116.6	619	29.5
SUBIACO	200.4	65.4	91.0	291.4	756	36.0	619	29.5	865	43.3	94.1	142.2	809	38.5
PERTH	213.6	76.8	101.3	314.9	605	28.8	692	33.0	983	49.2	103.5	134.6	578	27.5
AVERAGES	217.8	77.4	101.0	318.8	5435	32.4	5435	32.4	9868	61.7	118.2	118.2	5574	33.2

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Les Mumme led Tigers from the wilderness

THERE is an old adage in football which says that a champion team will always beat a team of champions.

And that was the theory Claremont adopted in 1964.

They did not have too many stars, but they all had a deep feeling of respect for each another.

That respect and admiration paid off handsomely when they won the premier-ship.

Jim Conway took over as coach and he said that the players needed to put their team-mates up on a pedestal and admire them. And then, because of their respect for their team-mates, they would work hard to make things easier for their 17 mates out on the oval.

It worked. And one of the primary reasons for this success was that Conway teamed with Sonny Maffina on the coaching side of things and Les Mumme and Kevin Clune led the team magnificently on the field.

Mumme, the rover, was the captain and he combined with centreman Clune to form an atmosphere at the club which bred success.

But Mumme was outstanding. He was a rover who always gave 100 per cent and there was seldom a game when the diminutive star faded.

Sandover Medal winner John Parkinson was a young member of the side and his opinions are still strong — that Tigers' premiership could largely have been attributed to this quartet.

"He was a great leader," Parkinson says. "He was a proficient and capable rover and he was extremely dedicated.

"I was very young at the time and I don't think I fully realised just how important that grand final was.

"We didn't have too many stars in the side, but we worked hard together and pulled as a team."

The Tigers worked their way through to the 1964 grand final in difficult fashion.

They began their campaign by beating Subiaco by two goals in the first semi final and then proved too good for Perth in the preliminary final.

Although Claremont were impressive in those two games, they still went into the grand final against East Fremantle as the underdogs.

CAPTAINS
They led their teams
to a premiership



Les Mumme . . . he stirred the Tigers on in 1964.

Old Easts had destroyed Perth in the second semi final and they were running hot.

With players of the calibre of Bob Johnson, Norm Rogers and Les Holt in their side they looked to have that touch of brilliance which would see them through.

However, the Tigers began in great fashion and by quarter time they had opened up a 25 point lead and were playing an irrepressible brand of football.

The margin between the teams would have been greater had it not been for nervous innacuracies in front of goal. They kicked 4.9 for the term.

East Fremantle came back in the second quarter to lead by four points at the long break, but the Tigers fought back and were seven points in front at three quarter time.

The stage was set for a great last quarter.

And under the leadership of Mumme,
Claremont held on to win a memorable
grand final by four points.

Mumme was at his best in this game and when the match was there for the taking he was instrumental in leading the Tigers on their way to the flag.

After winning the 1964 premiership, however, there were some lean times at Claremont and that continued until 1981.

MOSS SURPRISE

Graham Moss shocked the football world when, after winning the 1976 Brownlow Medal, he returned from Melbourne to take on the coaching duties at Claremont and immediately set about beginning a five year plan.

His aim was to return the Tigers as a force in the competition.

And to do it he needed to promote youth. Naturally they would take time to mature to the stage where they could throw out a serious challenge for the premiership.

But the young Claremont side did play in finals before they eventually met with success in 1981. They had earned the tag of "college footballers" because they always looked good until the pressure of finals came to bear.



It was Moss' job to rid them of the tag.

They had to become more aggressive.

He had an important role to play as

he had an important role to play as he was by far the most experienced player in the side and had to build the side around himself.

Even though the Tigers had established themselves at the top of the football tree during the qualifying games, many critics still had their doubts as to whether they could hold up under the intense pressure of a grand final.

But Moss had achieved a great deal at Claremont and even a series of brawls that erupted at the start of the match could not deter the Tigers from their ambition.

Moss played a leading hand in the victory, not just from a tactical point of view when he combined with off-field advisor Murray Ward, but also on the field.

Big ruckman Barry Beecroft was knocked unconscious in the opening seconds of the match and Moss had to take on the responsibility of doing the bulk of the ruck work.

With Beecroft out of action, the whole Tigers side was thrown out of balance and it took some masterful work from Moss to keep them in the game.

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No attempt at training should be made until the player can demonstrate he is free of symptoms.

He is better to miss several more weeks than ruin his football career. Unfortunately, most footballers and coaches see only tomorrow and don't look too far into the future.

Pain in the groin, however, does not always mean that it is groin muscle injury. It is advisable to be seen by a sporting medical doctor first to exclude the following possibilities:

- 1. Stress fractures in the pubic bone, e.g. a player may have suddenly increased his distance running on hard roads and developed a stress fracture of the pubic bone. X-rays and clinical examination can often exclude this.
- 2. Some players with lower back problems can get a pinched nerve in the lower back causing referred pain into the groin. If this diagnosis is made a visit to a manipulative physiotherapist may give some relief. 3. Unusual exercises that place a lot of stress on the adductor muscles should be avoided. Many times teams have suffered groin strains from particular pre-season exercises. Groin stretch exercises should be monitored carefully.
- 4. Try and not kick across the body, this can cause a strain in groin muscles. 5. Some players run with a particular style where they throw their legs out to the sides and this places unusual strains to the groin muscles. Assistance from a running coach may help here.

Keep the adductor muscles in the inner thigh strong by stretching them to the limit of pain, continually and also by doing some exercises to maintain strength in these muscles. 6. A doctor will also rule out other things such as a hernia in the groin. 7. If it is demonstrated that the pain is in the centre of the pelvis in the pubic symphasis and this joint is very unstable often a fusion operation can be done. Several fusion operations have been performed in W.A. with a degree of success.

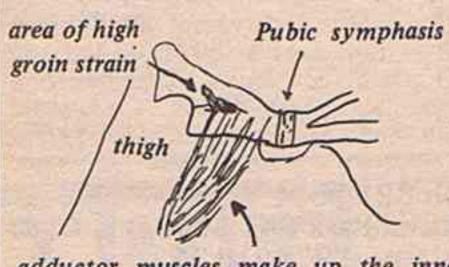
My parting advice is - as soon as you feel a minor strain in the groin, immediately check with a club doctor.

Don't persevere.

High groin strains seem to quickly deteriorate and reach a stage of chronic inflammation quickly and after that you will merely be on a merry-go-round of seeing various people in the hope of obtaining your magical cure.

Remember: Prevention is the best cure. Rest while the strain is early.

It is one injury where rest is emphasized. You are allowed to keep fit, however, by alternatives such as free style swimming and cycling if these dont produce pain in the groin.



adductor muscles make up the inner thigh.

* Dr. Football will be back again next season as one of our regular columnists.

THE Claremont Tigers will be sitting in the grand final waiting for their opponents by five o'clock this Saturday afternoon.

The Tigers will beat the Bulldogs on Saturday because they run too fast and because Souths are undermanned for this particular second semi final.

Souths just do not have enough close checking defenders to cut off Claremont's runners - Wayne Blackwell, Steve Malaxos, Steve Goulding, Darrell Panizza, Allen Daniels and Michael Mitchell.

Souths cannot win without key defenders Gavin Carter and Stephen Mount.

In their absence too much hard running and chasing will be asked of John Hayes and Rod Barrett and they cannot be expected to trap the runners and also keep their own opponents in check.

The Claremont forward line big guns -Warren Ralph, Brett Farmer and Graham Moss - will snap up every opportunity they get while the Souths defenders are trying to turn back the runners.

In Souths favour it can be said that they should win in the ruck.

The Bulldogs' big men, led by Stephen Michael, have too much pace and spring for Baden Harper, Moss and Barry Beecroft, but that's the only department of the game where souths have the edge.

It's bad luck for Souths that they have lost two key defenders at this time of the year.

They will be in better shape next week to make a tight contest of their game against Swans but I just believe the odds are stacked in Claremont's favour this week.

At the same time I do not believe the game will be one-sided.

In fact, I think it will be a bruising noholds-barred contest with victory going to the Tigers by 14 points.

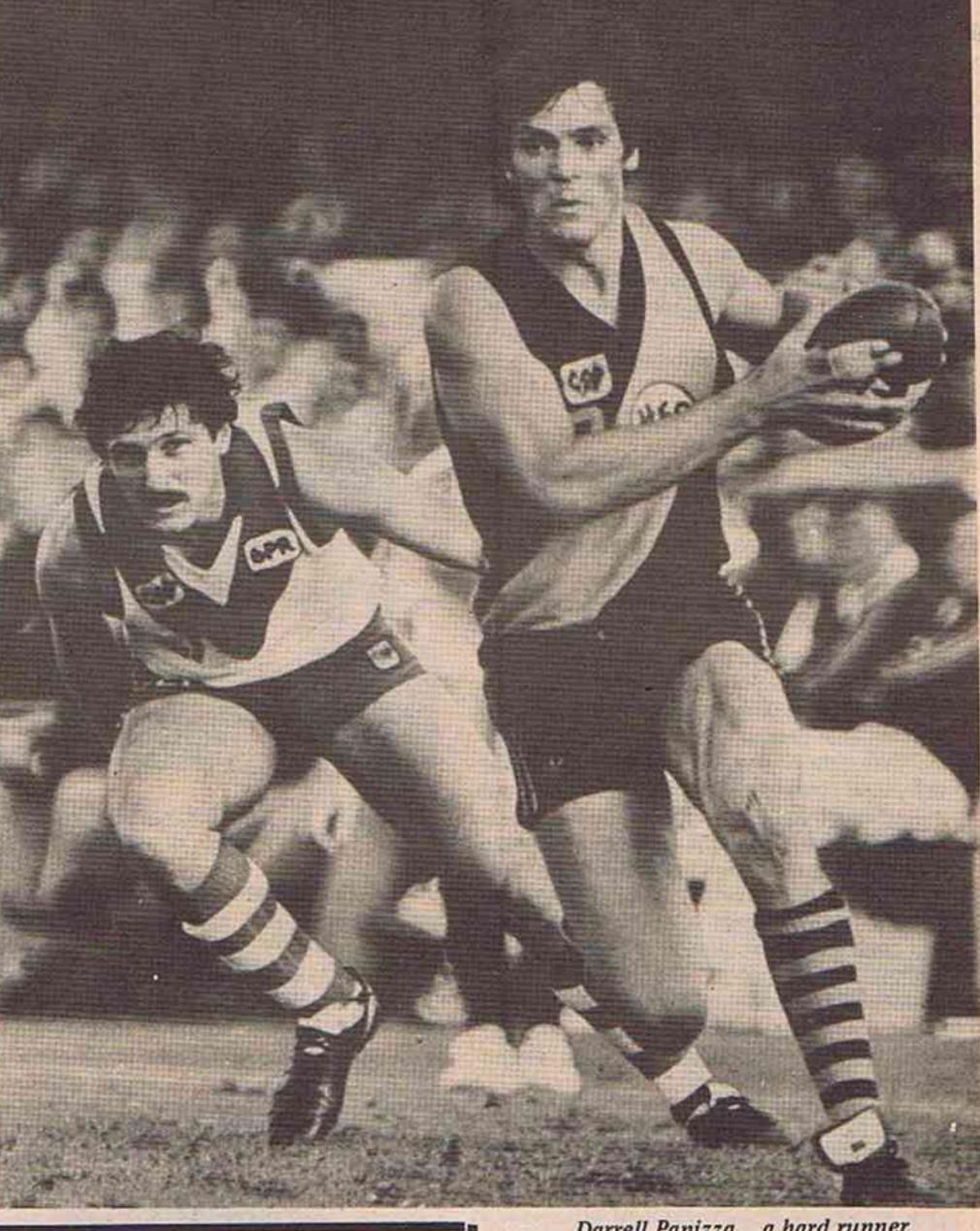
I expect both sides to suffer at least one serious injury and I expect the loser to be in pretty deep trouble for the preliminary final week later.

South Fremantle have been the trendsetters this year and have been the best team in the competition all season.

They have unearthed young stars in Michael Cockie Nicky Winmar and Wally Matera and they have got the best out of Willie Roe.



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These four players can make a liar of me by providing the run for Souths that I expect Claremont to have.

However, I believe the Claremont defence, led by Mike Aitken, Brad Reynolds and Noel Morton, is better equipped to break down the impetus of South's running game.

Whichever way it turns out, I am expecting this to be a classic contest of football skills and power.

The winner is going to be mighty hard to beat for this year's flag and in defeat the loser will not be out of the race either.

Good one, Hoppy

AFTER the Sandover Medal count everyone was asking why the umpries and the media had differed so greatly again.

Well, I know of one media man who thinks the umpires are the best judges of

Sunday Times critic Colin Hopkins backed John Ironmonger to win the medal and got the money.

"Hoppy" backed the big East Perth ruckman when the first odds were declared about the medal last April.

He's not saying for how much, but my mail is that he won enough to make the medal a bad result for the bookie he bet with.

> The Tigers are into Training



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JUNIOR PAGE

COCKBURN THE CONQUERORS

LAST Sunday's wet and blustery conditions wasn't enough to dampen Cockburn's supremacy when they won four of the five grade premierships in the South Fremantle Junior Council at Fremantle Oval.

In the 12s, division Cockburn 4.7 held out Hilton 3.4 to take the crown.

The 12s Red division w Cockburn comfortable winners over Kwinana 7.6 to 2.2 and P. Mirco (Cockburn) was awarded fairest and best for the match.

South Coogee were victorious for the 14s White crown when they defeated CBC 9.9 to 4.3 and also had P. Tapper as the game's best player.

CBC again fell victim to the Cockburn might in losing the 14s Red title 10.17 to 5.5 when the winners produced D. Musconi as the player of the match.

D. Peilovich (Willagee) was awarded the game's fairest and best when his team went down 10.6 to 6.8 in the 16s battle aganst Cockburn.

In the past two seasons Cockburn have competed in eight grand finals and have gone premiers on seven occasions.

EAST FREMANTLE

NINE East Fremantle Junior Council premierships were decided last weekend with Rossmoyne being successful for three flags while Thornlie took off two titles.

Thornlie's first crown came in the 11s Blue division when they downed Karoonda 3.5 to 1.3 and had Wayne Richards as the game's fairest and best player.

player.

Rossmoyne's initial victory was over Applecross 8.8 to 4.8 in the 11s White grade — some consolation went to the losers though when Jeremy Twoner - (Applecross) was named best player afield.

Thornlie capped off their good year in the 12s Blue when they beat Melville 6.11 to 2.4 and had best player for the match in Mark Western while the 12s White title was won by Lynwood when they defeated Riverton 3.6 to 2.2 — Riverton's Mark Cassidy was voted number one player.

The 13s saw Karoonda win their sole premiership when they trounced Thornlie 9.8 to 1.6 and produced the best player afield in Tony Waters.

Rossmoyne then proved too strong for Mt. Pleasant and Karoonda in winning the 14s and 15s grade crowns respectively—the 14s score was 9.5 to 3.9 and the 15s was 11.6 to 9.8 with the 14s best player being Preston Liddell (Rossmoyne) and 15s being Nicholas Stagg from Karoonda.

Melville's Neil Whyte won the 16s grand final fairest and best when his team easily downed Lynwood 13.12 to 5.9 and his club mate Russell Sumich was awarded the 17s best player when Melville lost that grade play-off against East Fremantle 12.9 to 6.8.

EAST PERTH

St. Marks, appearing in all six East Perth Junior Council grand finals last weekend, were successful in winning four premierships.

Their 11s grade started the haul when they held off a determined Mt. Lawley to win 4.4 to 3.5, but their 12s were halted by a ruthless Bayswater who ran out victors 13.9 to 6.6.

The next three titles went to St. Marks when they defeated Bayswater for consecutive premierships — their 13s beat Bayswater's Green team 8.7 to 1.5: the 14s score was 21. 12 to 2.3 and their 15s won 11.12 to 8.7.

Best players in the 13s grand final were Mark Locatori (St. Marks) and Warwick Smith (Bayswater Green); John Edmondson (St. Marks' captain) and Stephen Tipping (Bayswater) were voted best afield in the 14s play-off and tops in the 15s game were David Armstrong (St. Marks' captain) and Bayswater's Daniel Ninyette.

Ossie Dikoli (Maylands captain) and Craig Starcevich (St. Marks) were players of the match when Maylands achieved their first premiership since 1975 winning the 17s 11.15 to 8.7.

WEST PERTH

IN West Perth Junior Council's five remaining premierships, all conducted last Sunday at Leederville Oval, Marist were successful twice while CBC were runners up twice.

Westminster Balga proved too strong in the 12s title in defeating CBC 6.11 to 0.2, with CBC's Karl Astone best afield.

The 14s crown now belongs to Marist after their 7.3 to 3.4 victory against CBC with Robert Malone (Marist) being voted the game's fairest and best.

Osborne Park came from the first semifinal to push Marist in an exciting 14s premiership play-off before going down by the smallest of margins, the final score being 7.11 to 7.10.

Marist provided the game's best player in Dean Hill.

Osborne Park then salvaged some prestige by downing Nollamara 6.7 to 4.12 in the 15s and having Brett Mortimer best afield.

The 17s Division One premiership was won by Mirrabooka when they comfortably beat North Innaloo Red 8.8 to 4.6 and had Shane Hermitage named best on ground.

SOUTH SUBURBAN

THE Gosnells Junior Football Club reaped four premierships and were runners up twice when the South Suburban Junior Football Association conducted their grade grand finals last Sunday.

Their 11s A side went down to Kelmscott Blue 4.8 to 2.2 in the first of their losing appearances — Kelmscott's Jeremy Verwey was judged best player for the match.

Langford narrowly won the 11s B division defeating Kenwick Blue 5.5 to 5.2 and Alan Ogilivie was the game's best player for them. Gosnells 6.10 beat Armadale 4.3 for the 13s A title with Paul Kalazjich Gosnells) being the player of the match while Gosnells Blue's Craig Tapper was fairest and best when his side lost by a kick to clubmates and opponents Gosnells Red for the 13s B crown — the final score being 4.3 to 3.4.

Gosnells Blue outstayed Kelmscott to win the 15s flag 7.9 to 3.5 and have Andrew Strickland the game's best player while Gosnells also won a low-scoring 17s title against Roleystone — the score was 5.12 to 2.0 and Duncan Pike was best afield for the victors.

The 15s grade also contested a bottomfour minor premiership plate which went to Armadale Black 16.10, with Charlie Natale the player of the match for them, over Gosnells Gold 3.3

The 13s and 15s played their grand finals at Gwynne Park (Armadale) while the 11s and 17s conducted theirs at Sutherland Park (Gosnells).

TIGER CUP

MAGPIES won their second consecutive Tiger Cup last Sunday when they were relentless in destroying a disappointing Karrinyup side 17.18 to 4.8 for the premiership in Claremont Football Club's 17s and under competition.



AROUND THE CLUBS

Gary Bartholomeusz

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The game's best players were Andy Wyatt (Magpies) and Dean Power (Karrinyup).

Mapgies also won the inaugural title in 1978 and other winners are Hawks (1979 and 1980) and Cats in 1981.

The competition's 1983 fairest and best was won by Karrinyup's Darren Begley (39 votes) from Simon White (30) of Woodlands/Doubleview.

PERTH

PERTH Junior Council conducted their first and second semi-finals last Sunday and following are the results.

FIRST SEMIS — Manning 4.6 d South Perth 2.4 (11s); Carlisle 10.3 d Manning 5.4 (14s); Carlisle 19.13 d East Vic Park 10.13 (15s) and in the 17s replay, after a drawn game last week, Queens Park 13.9 beat Manning 12.4.

SECOND SEMIS — Queens Park 9.13 d Carlisle 2.1 (11s); Queens Park 7.6 d South Perth 6.4 (14s); Manning 7.10 d Queens Park 6.8 (15s) and Canning 14.14 d Carlisle 6.10 (17s).

All preliminary finals will be held this Sunday at Lathlain Park — in the 11s at 9.30am Manning meeting Carlisle; Carlisle play South Perth at 11am (14s); Carlisle face Queens Park at 12.30pm (15s) and at 2.15pm in the 17s Queens Park will do battle with Carlisle.

CLOVERDALE ABSENT

THE Cloverdale Junior Football Club created a record of a difference recently when the Swan Districts Junior Council contested their grand finals.

It was the first time since inaugurating in 1969 that the club have never appeared in a grand final.

In their 14 seasons they have won as many premierships.

FREEBALL CATCHING

THE freeball concept — skill training programme followed by an organised fun game — designed for pre-modified rules players, seems destined to take off in all metro junior councils next season.

The South Fremantle Junior Council initiated the concept here in WA and have just completed their third season while other junior councils have individual clubs running programmes.

At East Perth it's the Noranda club, at Swans it's Belmont, Attadale are responsible in the East Fremantle zone, Whitfords in Subiaco's Wanneroo area and Sorrento at Claremont.

West Perth and Perth junior councils have yet to introduce such, but Perth club Centrals have shown keeness for next season.

R & I Little League

FOUR TEAMS DROP OUT

Claremont, West Perth, East Fremantle and South Fremantle survived the first round of semi finals in the R and I Little League last Saturday.

Claremont proved far too good for their Swan Districts counterparts when they scored 2.5 to 1.0.

Chris Brown, Paul Quinlivan (two goals) and Peter Jasper were dominant players for the young Tigers while Brett Vulleta, Bradley Francis (one goal) and Mark Steele played solidly for Swans.

West Perth kicked 4.1 while restricting Subiaco to 2.2 and best players for the Falcons were Graham Reid, David Elliot (one goal), Ryan Campbell (two goals) and Ron Iellamo (one goal) while Subiaco had strong players in Arron Zampogna (one goal), Glen Illich, Jamie O'Keefe and Andrew Mellows (one goal).

East Fremantle scored 3.4 to beat East Perth, who could manage just 1.3.

John Lawrence, Stuart Vandrew and Chris Bambury each kicked one goal and other good players were Troy Simmonds and Richie Voegl. South Fremantle gave an impressive display, kicking 3.0 while holding Perth to 1.7.

Grant Atwell kicked two goals for South and was a top player while he received solid support from Dean Runner (one goal) and Justine Cornice. Perth's goal came from Des Little and other good players were Cam Mitter and Bradley Smith.

This week West Perth will play South Fremantle at the half time break in the reserves game and East Fremantle play Claremont in the main match.

WA BOYS PLACED FOURTH

WESTERN Australia's under 16s schoolboys were placed fourth after the 10-day round robin national competition was completed last week in Canberra.

Each State played the other (seven games) and our squad won three games, in doing so defeated eventual dual winners Northern Territory, who tied with Victoria on 12 points.

New South Wales were third with eight points while together with WA on six points were ACT, South Australia and Tasmania. Queensland were winless throughout the carnival.

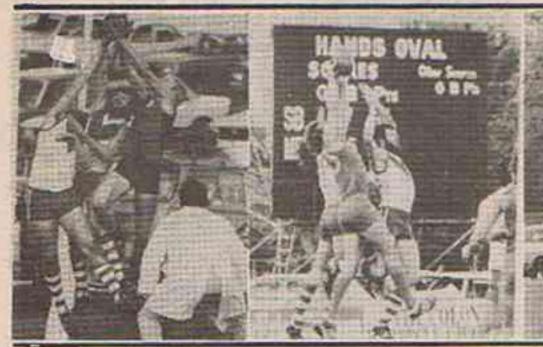
When the actual results this year are considered it is interesting to note that with the exception of the predictable and inevitable excellent Victorian performance there was an almost complete turn around of State team placings based on past years.

The Northern Territory, until this year have been consistent but not performers of any great note and at times have been individually undisciplined. This year they showed the undoubted benefits of good preparation and devotion to the cause by tying the series with Victoria. Victoria lost easily to the Territorians but the N.T. boys surrendered a golden chance to win the Championships outright by losing a game under wet conditions to the West Australians.

Surprisingly Queensland, after several good performances at other age levels in other National Junior Championships finished last — with Tasmania second last. This is somewhat disappointing considering the generally healthy state of junior development in the "suncshine state".



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WANDERERS BREAK LONG DROUGHT

Central Great Southern club Wanderers have worked their way into their first grand final for 15 years.

The Tigers, who have been in second spot most of the year, scored a convincing win over the other Katanning team, Australs in the second semi final and now look poised to break that lengthy premiership drought.

However, they will not allow themselves to become over-confident as the big game approaches.

Several times in recent times they appeared to have a side capable of taking a flag, only to falter at the business end of the season.

On Sunday they kicked 19.12 while holding Australs to 9.12, after the latter had led by one point at half time.

In the second half Ken Quartermaine, Alan Wilson, Ken Zilm and Mick Quartermaine sparked the Tigers to life and they

TOWNS

WIN

The Narrogin based Towns side in the

Upper Great Southern stole the vital fifth

place on the premiership table when they

scored a powerful win over West Arthur

and top team Williams disposed of Pingelly.

equal points until Sunday's round of

fixtures and it was a tough assignment for

Pingelly to expect to hold onto a place in

in addition to that obstacle several senior

players were unavailable because of injury.

Pingelly could still stand tall after a gallant

job and in the end it was only inexperience

The young players did a tremendous

Towns beat West Arthur 18.23 to 10.10.

Lake Grace secured fourth spot on the

Lake Grace, who only entered the

Wagin finished the season on a good note

Wickepin, after a short lapse when they

Upper Great Southern this year, won

19.14 to 8.7 and now play Towns in the

elimination final at Darkan on Saturday.

when they were simply too good for a

disappointing Boddington side and they

lost two games in as many weeks, returned

to peak form and regained second spot

when they beat Railways in a preview

table when they were far too strong for an

effort in going down by 28 points.

which cost them the four points.

improved Cuballing line-up.

won 11.9 to 3.6.

Williams had not been beaten all year and

the finals.

Towns and Pingelly were locked on

went on to a powerhouse victory.

It was a disappointing result for Australs and only three players, centreman Brett Hunt, half back Vin Saunders and winger Chris McMahon could have felt even remotely satisfied with their own personal contribution.

And now Australs face the tough task of beating Kojonup to earn a re-match with Wanderers.

Kojonup displayed all their power in the first semi final and with the preliminary final being played on their home territory they will be a tough side to beat.

In the past they have been outstanding in finals football and the Katanning team will know they have played a game of football, win or lose after the preliminary

KAMBALDA TOPS

Kambalda established themselves at the top of the Goldfields Football League at the end of the qualifying matches when they beat Railways in a top contest last Sunday.

The Eagles were never really in any danger of losing the match and they won 15.13 to 12.16.

David Lines was a busy rover for the Eagles, kicking four goals, and he received good support from Steve McKenzie, Brett Lee, Colin McIntyre and Rob Walker.

The Panthers had good players in Russell Dickhart, Russell Thomas, Barry Lawson and Ken Peterson.

In the other game Boulder secured fourth spot when they were too good for Kalgoorlie, winning 19.16 to 7.15.

Vic Bertola, Ian Holman, Ron Hill and Brad Cullen were largely responsible for Boulder's win while good players for Kalgoorlie were Lawrie Wilson, Gary

Roberts, Dave Anderson and Brett Krepp.

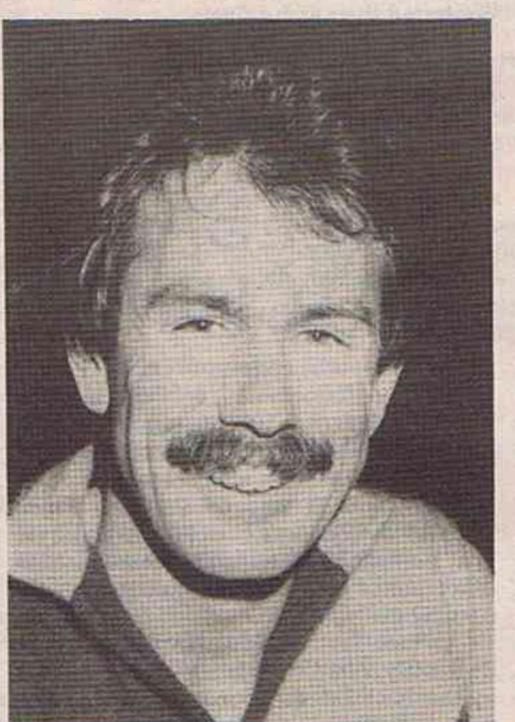
of this week's qualifying final to be played at Narrogin on Sunday. The winner of this game will earn the right to play Williams in the second semi



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Ross Tyson

Win for North Barker

North Mt Barker overcame a slow start to win the Southern Districts second semi final by 27 points against North Albany on Sunday.

The Demons appeared in all sorts of trouble at quarter time when they trailed the Kangas 4.1 to no score, but came back strongly to be just one goal behind at half time.

And by three quarter time that margin had been reduced even further to just two points.

In the last quarter the Demons came home with a flourish and eventually took charge of the contest and now the Kangas must beat South Mt Barker in this week's preliminary final to earn the right to challenge North Mt Barker again.

And that task will not be easy.

The Hawks played well in the first semi final and they could take the game right up to North Albany.

Mick Colbung, Richie Clapin, Mark Ugle, John Wright, Sean Kelly and Billy Krakouer led North Mt Barker to Sunday's win while North Albany's better players were Barry Wilson, Kelvin Stephen, Jim Sangalli, Brian Stamp and Peter Soer.

North Albany won a controversial thirds second semi final against Railways when they won with a kick after the siren to score 8.9 to 7.9.

In the reserves North Mt Barker were far too strong for Royals.



Former East Perth ruckman Ian McCulloch took over as coach of Mines Rovers at the start of the season and he could be satisfied with his effort. The Miners finished on top of the SWNFL premiership table at the end of the qualifying games.

Donnybrook break the ice

Donnybrook saved themselves the embarrassment of going through the 1983 South West National Football League season without a win when they made the most of the blustery conditions to cause an upset last Sunday.

In attrocious conditions for football they came to life in the final game to beat Busselton 16.14 to 9.7.

Veteran Keith Bedford, who had been filling in for the reserves until a fortnight ago, showed there was still some of the old magic in his body when he gave a best on ground performance.

In another upset, Harvey-Brunswick scored an exciting two point win over Bunbury in a game which was played under water.

Harvey-Brunswick ruckman David Morris, one of the favourites for this year's Hayward Medal, gave an outstanding display and he received solid support from Graham Jeffrey.

An indication of just how tough it was to play good football can be taken from the score. Harvey won 4.14 to 5.6.

Leading full forward David Gaunt kicked three of Bunbury's goals and again Alf 7.6. Shiosaki was in good touch.

In a top-of-the-ladder clash Mines Rovers geared up for the finals with a crushing win over arch rivals Collie in Sunday's derby.

The Miners were in front all day, led superbly by former Claremont players Des Hindson and Ray Smith. They went on to win 9.18 to 5.5, but in fairness to the Saints they did have some notable absentees in John Doyle, John Sims, Ray Colyer and Ray Davies.

In a preview of this week's elimination final, Augusta-Margaret River proved too strong for South Bunbury and won 11.9 to 9.9.

Although the margin was only two goals South Bunbury were far from impressive. They showed a dislike for physical football and they could be in big bother this week.

Big ruckman Paul Pavlinovich led the Augusta-Margaret River assault and he received solid support from back pocket player Steve Whitfield and centreman Ross

For South Bunbury Peter Old kicked three goals and full back Peter Upson also played solidly.

In the other game Carey Park kicked 11.11 to beat Boyanup-Capel-Dardanup

Medal count

This year's Hayward Medal count will be held tonight at the South West Italian Club and in a unique venture for country football the last 10 cards will be telecast over the Golden West Network.

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Bunton set to be a THE move by Subiaco this week Lion again to appoint the legendary Haydn Bunton junior as coach for the next five seasons is a step in the right

direction.

For too long now the Lions have opted for the short-term solution. But they now realise that continuity at the helm is something which is essential to their aim in dragging themselves out of the football wilderness.

Since 1974, they have been less than competitive and Bunton could solve the problem.

While he does not have an outstanding record in his 22 seasons as a coach, he would not have survived in South Australian football unless they had a tremendous respect for his coaching ability.

Bunton is a football legend and is someone the Subiaco players will look up to and respect. That will go a long way towards helping the Subiaco players recovering their self-pride and esteem.

His coaching career began when he was just 19 when he accepted a position with Norwood.

And in the last 26 seasons, he has been out of the game for just four years.

He coached Norwood in 1957 and 1958 and in his first season took them into the grand final. Unfortunately, they were not good enough on the day, so he had to be content with the runners-up prize.

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Haydn Bunton back in familiar colours

The next season he finished fourth with Norwood and then he stood down as coach.

Two years later the Bunton magic was to make its first impact on WA football. The tough little rover accepted the

position at Swan Districts and had the task of winning the club their first premiership. It did not take long for Bunton's professionalism to rub off onto the other players and he soon had them playing a first-class brand of football.

It is now history that Bunton took Swans to three successive premierships from 1961 to 1963 - and also picked up a Sandover Medal himself in 1962.

After Swans had disappointed in 1964 (when they finished sixth) Bunton returned to South Australia to coach Norwood.

He took on the job for a further two years, but the best he could do was finish fourth in 1965. The following year they finished seventh.

Then he was approached by Subiaco to return to the West and attempt to break a long premiership drought in their camp. They had not won a flag since 1924.

Bunton accepted the lure to return West and he led Subiaco from 1968 to 1972, getting them in fourth spot in his first three seasons before they slipped to fifth and then sixth in his last season.

He then returned to South Australia and coached South Adelaide from 1975 to 1982. During those eight seasons, he finished runners-up in 1979, fourth in 1977 and 1981, seventh in 1976, 1978 and 1980 and eighth in 1975 and 1982.

Apart from his three premierships with Swans, Bunton has not had a great deal of success, getting to just two more grand finals in 17 years as a coach.

But there is something magical about Bunton. In the ruthless game of coaching, you simply do not survive with a record of that nature unless you have something special to offer.

Subiaco will find out exactly what he has in the next five seasons.

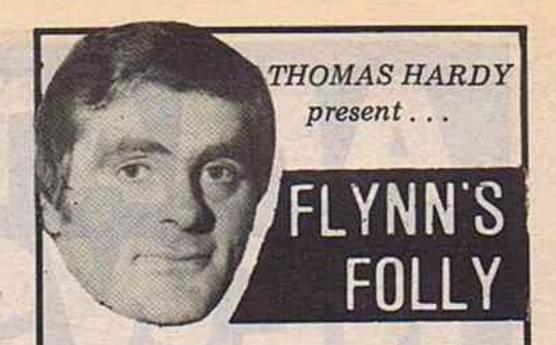
Since 1974, the year after Ross Smith took them to aflag, they have not finished in the top four and have dismissed coaches with monotonous regularity.

The latest to fall victim to the axe was former Tasmanian Peter Daniel.

Let's hope that at last Subiaco have found the man to solve all their problems and take them back to being a competitive

Top tipster

RENOWNED football photographer Todge Campbell has established himself as a top tipster as well - he has taken off the 1983 John Buzza Menswear \$1000 media tipsters award. Campbell who has been with The West Australian for as long as anyone can remember, finished with 85 points, just one ahead of Sunday Independent assistant Arthur Hughes. Another photographer, Westside Football's Richie Hann, was back third on 83 points. Next in line came Peter Phillips (Channel 7) 81, Robert Bennett (Westside Football) 80; Lew Nathan (Sunday Times) 79; Barry Daniels (TVW7) 78; Geoff Worner (Sunday Times) and Les Mumme (6KY) on 75; Alan Newman (Western Mail) 74; Gary Stocks (Westside Football) 72 and Neil Garland (6IX) on 71. Campbell and Hughes tied for the best tipster in the final round of football with 31 points each.



This week's bottle of Hardy's Grand Reserve Brut champagne for the folly of the week must certainly go to East Fremantle captain-coach Ron Alexander for listening to people who told him not to play in last week's first semi-final and then discovering (after a humiliating loss) that those who told him he should play, were right.



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Thrilling draw im semi

THE second semi final between University and Old Scotch finished in a nail-biting draw.

In the close struggles between these two sides this season none was better than this match. University, with seasoned players Mike Salmon and David Steinepries (coach) leading the way, were favourites to win.

But solid contributions by Pethick, Greenwood and Fry were to see Old Scotch not denied.

A draw is ironic in the situation of the failure of Uni to have a rehearing of the report of No. 1 rover Ian Rakich (suspended for one week) reopened during the week.

The first semi final saw another tight game with Mt Lawley taking the honours over Old Wesley by 15 points.

Mt Lawley's win was due to the excellent form of centre-half-back Steve Hughes, Ruckman

Paul Pascoe and Wingman Gerard Kearney.

Old Wesley were well served by J. Duffy,
Van Noord and State player Ken Pride.

The draw in the second semi gives Mt Lawley the advantage of a week's break. But they would still be pushing to beat either of the two top sides.

In the return match between Uni and Old Scotch, the students (with the return of Rakich) should be able to win. Either side, however, will be giving everything to gain the psychological advantage and the break going into the grand final.

Scarborough wins in style

Scarborough proved that they are still the side to beat by downing CBC reasonably comfortably... Scarborough gained the ascendancy through Andretich, Miller and the consistent Calcott.

Dickie Anderson and Bovell played well for CBC, but they must have all their players contributing.

North Fremantle won the right to play CBC in the preliminary final by defeating City Beach in a one-sided match.

CBC must not take Norths lightly and have to contain form players McKinnon, Gill and Huston if they are to graduate to the grand final.

C GRADE

CARLISLE marched into the grand final and are now only one win away from being only the 21st club to go through undefeated in 55 years of W.A.A.F.L.

Fairest and best medal winner, 26-year-old centreman Harley Hayward, cut loose with a great display supported by veteran captain coach Dick Manning by downing Whitfords.

They will have to reproduce their qualifying round effort to prove that they are not a "also ran" finals team once again.

W.A.I.T. will be fired up to revenge that loss and Ken Bell served notice of things to come by disposing of Mt Lawley No. 2.

Other Grades

'D': North Beach No. 2 were lethargic and no match for Nollamara No. 2 who had class players in Brendon Clark, Barry Hersey and Graham Porter in control all day.

Bassendean, with their confidence slightly down after being tossed by leaders Dianella, will have to fight hard to go into the grand final.

'E': Minor premiers Uni No. 3 were too good for Lynwood Ferndale. Collegians No. 2 manage to keep on winning important games and the clash against Lynwood-Ferndale should be a torrid affair with little separating them.

'F': Koondoola were bundled out of the finals series with two straight losses after promising so much earlier. Third placed Yokine have no guarantee to meet Churchlands C.A.E. in the last game of the year. Scarborough No. 2 are no pushovers and have enough balance to cause an upset. Coolbinia's coach Keith London has the boys bouncing back from a mid season slump and keen to match their 1981 'H' premiership.

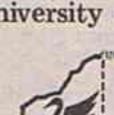
'G': Applecross a class above the rest delivered a great knock out blow to Melville who now must bounce back to dump an in-formBullcreek. Melville have improved greatly on last year's efforts and are keen to stop traditional finals rivals Applecross and Bullcreek from slugging it

out in the premiership clash.

'H': Minor premiers Mt Lawley No. 3 were blitzed by North Beach No. 3 team and will take a complete reversal of form to shrug off Dianella No. 2.

Whitfords No. 2, second after the qualifying rounds, now have a chance to support their senior team from the sidelines after losing in their two finals starts.

T: City of Perth, narrow losers (by two points) to A.I.C.A. No. 2, should bounce back and lower the colours of City Beach No. 2. City, last year's premiers ('J'), will be keen to have another tilt at the fleet footed minor premiers (A.I.C.A.). City Beach's support from the side line (after the unexpected defeat of their 'B' senior team) could be a big influence.



A round-up from the West Australian Amateur Football League.

'J': ANZ can thank an inaccurate Girrawheen for their narrow victory and first grand final appearance. "Girra Hedgehogs" should account for the inexperienced Coolbinia-Yokine No. 2 who downed Collegians No. 3 by a mere two points also.

'K': Lynwood-Ferndale No. 2 are a top combination in form and held out rivals Brentwood No. 2 to force them into a play-off with Dianella No. 3. All three teams had 15 wins each during qualifying games and a winner will be hard to pick.

No. 2 at Melville Beach No. 2 at wheen v Coolbin Reserve, 'K': Bren at Inglewood Oval.

COLTS

'A': Wembley, the only bright light in their club this season, are in a position to gain their fourth colts pennant after downing University. Mt Lawley will have to lift greatly to prevent Uni from being in position to win back-to-back premierships. Mt Lawley have been a force since 1980.

'B': CBC will have to improve to down Uni No. 2. Scarborough, like their senior team, were too strong. University with great depth and a steady and regular source to recruit from will be no push-overs.

'C': Whitfords have a great chance to return to form against Osborne Park and be in a position to gain their club's first premiership. WAIT, a club on the up, moved into the grand final and are chasing two successive pennants.

SUNDAY

A.I.C.A. bounced back into premiership contention with a good win over Graylands in the preliminary final.

A.I.C.A. will be chasing their third successive flag while the talented Swan Athletic Club have not had a premiership since 1980.

A big turn out from both ethnic based clubs (a tribute to their support for the Aussie game) should see a top class game.

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

FIRST SEMI FINALS

'A': Mt Lawley 13.21 d Old Wesley 13.6.
'A' colts: Mt Lawley d Nollamara. 'B': North Fremantle 18.13 d City Beach 12.7. 'B' colts: Uni No. 2 10.6 d Floreat-Marist 8.12. 'C': WAIT 12.22 d Mt Lawley No. 2 8.7.

'A': University 12.19 drew Old Scotch 12.19.
'A' colts: Wembley d University. 'B': Scarborough 14.13 d C.B.C. 9.18. 'B' colts: Scarborough 11.15 d C.B.C. 5.7. 'C': Carlisle 20.15 d Whitfords 9.11. 'D': Dianella 16.15 d Bassendean 9.12. 'E': Uni No. 3 19.19 d Lynwood-Ferndale 7.14. 'F': Churchlands 14.8 d Coolbinia-Yokine 8.12. 'G': Applecross 21.5 d Melville 11.11. 'H': North Beach No. 3 17.20 d Mt Lawley 4.10. 'I': A.I.C.A. No. 2 12.13 d City of Perth 12.11. 'J': A.N.Z. 10.9 d Girrawheen 9.14. 'K': Lynwood-Ferndale No. 2 13.8 d Brentwood No. 2 10.13.

PRELIMINARY FINAL SUNDAY: A.I.C.A. d Graylands.

THIS SATURDAY

University v Old Scotch at Perth Oval.

PRELIMINARY FINALS

'A' colts: University v Mt Lawley at Perth Oval. 'B': C.B.C. v North Fremantle at Lathlain Oval. 'B' colts: C.B.C. v University No. 2 at Lathlain Oval. 'C': Whitfords v WAIT at Leederville. 'C' colts: Division 1: Whitfords v Osborne Park at Leederville. 'C' colts Division 2: Forrestfield v Hamersley at Bassendean. 'D': Bassendean v Nollamara No. 2 at Bassendean, 'E': Lynwood-Ferndale v Collegians No. 2 at East Fremantle. 'F': Coolbinia-Yokine v Scarborough No. 2 at Claremont Oval, 'G': Melville v Bullcreek at Fremantle Oval. 'H': Mt Lawley No. 3 v Dianella No. 2 at Melville Oval. 'I': City of Perth v City Beach No. 2 at Robinson Reserve. 'J': Girrawheen v Coolbinia-Yokine No. 2 at Balcatta Reserve, 'K': Brentwood No. 2 v Dianella No. 3

Sunday Division: Swan Athletic v A.I.C.A. at Leederville.



Craig Murphy (Nollamara) 'A' Colts Fairest and Best winner.

th (North Beach) joined 1976 'B' colts. Matt was a member of 1980 'F' premiership team and best position award winner plays 'A' and 'D'. Wayne won 1981 best team man award.



MILESTONES

1982. Club secretary man. Awarded life mem-

1974, has also served as bership 1981. Current

assistant secretary, vice president of North Beach

president and committee. Juniors Football Club.

200 GAMES: Rod Mollett

(North Beach). A classy

wingman who joined in

1972 from West Perth

reserves. Best position

player award and team

manager 'B' 1972, cap-

tain coach 'B' reserve

(1976) 'D' 1977, captain

'F' 1978, member of

1980 'F' premiership

team, fairest and best 'J'

Rob Byles (Right) Carlisle's top forward who booted the third highest number of goals (129) on record in amateurs congratulates Ken Finch on his 200th club game.

Ken, a half-forward, represented W.A.A.F.L. in 1976 against South Australia. He won colts fairest and best 1972, club 'B' grade fairest and best 1982 and is a life member of Carlisle, where he served as secretary for four seasons.



Bassendean officials president Terry Comery (right) and Terry O'Donnell (secretary) proud of the 20-plus players and supporters from the club who attended last week's medal count.

LAST MINUTE CHANGES

For last minue ground alterations (like last week) please read advert in sports pages of Saturday's "West Australian".

BEHAVIOUR

Club officials are requested to ask supporters to refrain from using behaviour and language that is offensive to other spectactors. Already W.A.A.F.L. management has carpeted several clubs this season and it appears some club supporters still take no notice. The antics of one group last week will no doubt cause their club to be handed down a heavy fine.

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HISTORIC WIN FOR FONG

NEIL Fong created history in winning the 1983 W.A.A.F.L. 'A' grade fairest and best award, becoming the first player to win the medal three years in succession.

The Nollamara centreman-rover capped off a great season by also winning his clubs fairest and best for the first time.

He was runner up in 1981 and 1982.

In July, Fong was selected as vicecaptain in his first State team. Medical studies have previously prevented any selection.

With his style of play under constant notice, it is not beyond the realms of possibility for him to gain another medal before his playing days are over.

CRAIG MURPHY completed a great double for Nollamara by winning the 'A' colts fairest and best,

Murphy, a talented 18-year-old rover in his second year of colts, also won his club's fairest and best. He is still eligible for colts in 1984.

KOONDOOLA players continued their unbelievable record of providing the fairest and best winner.

FULL DETAILS

'A': Neil Fong (Nollamara) 20, runner up Dave

Mickle (Mt Lawley) 17.
'B': Steve Bombarderi (M.H.W.P.) 21, runner up Rod Cronan (C.B.C.) 20. (Cronan missed three

games while with East Fremantle).
'C': Harley Hayward (Carlisle) 24, runner up Don

Hayward (Carlisle).

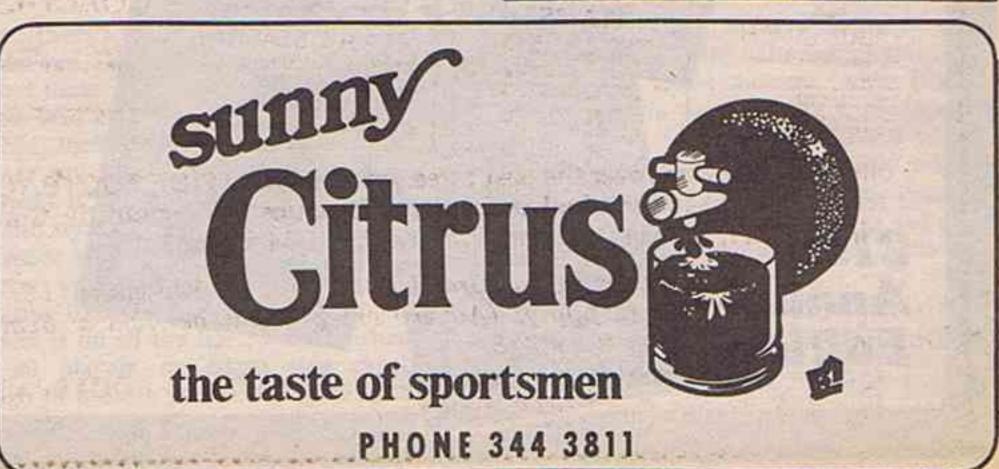
'D': V. Hudson (Brentwood) 23. E': W. Wimmonds (Claremont C.A.E) 23. (Also winner in 1982). 'F': K. May (Koondoola) 26. (Also won in 1982). 'G': A. Vaughan (Applecross) 16. 'H': G. Bergersen (Mt Lawley) 26. 'I': K. Nairn (Murdock) 21. 'J': B. Morris (Girrawheen) 22. 'K': K. Glass (Dianella) 17.



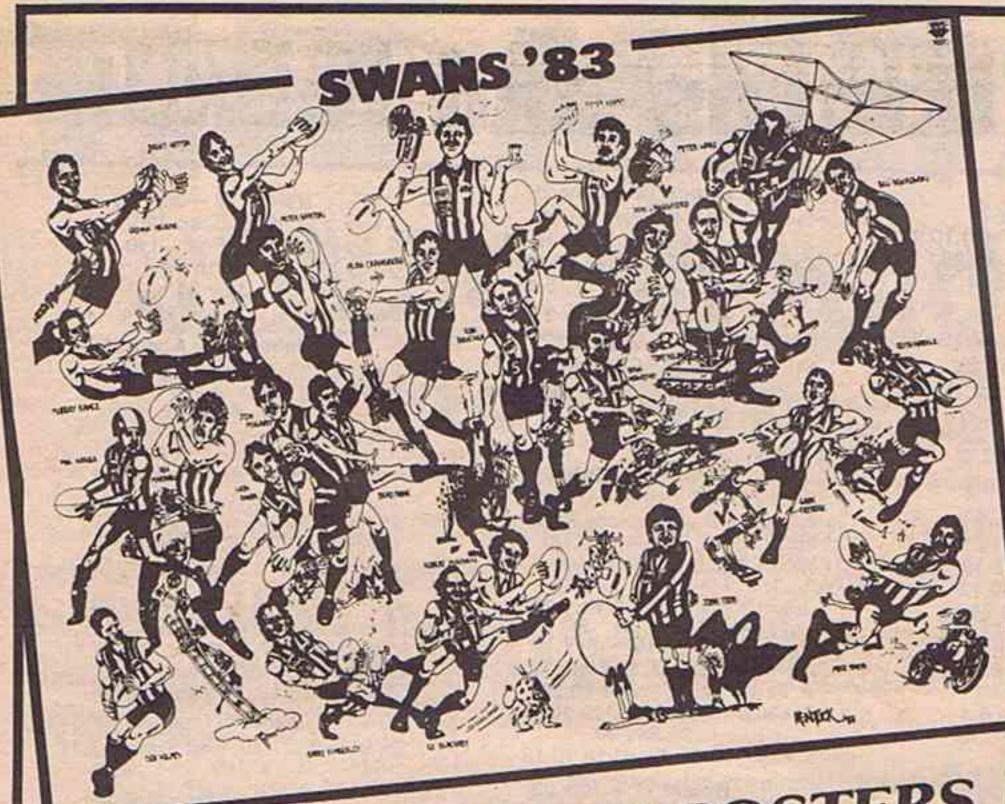
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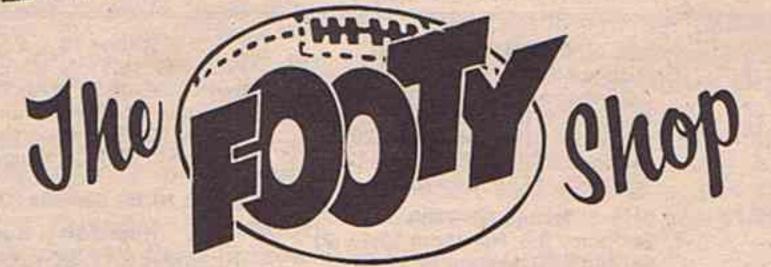
'A' Colts: Craig Murphy (Nollamara) 23, runner up Anthony O'Brien (Wembley) 16.
'B' Colts: M. Gill (N. Fremantle) 28.
'C' Colts: B. Stewart (Coolbinia) 35.
Sunday Division: Denis Volk (Swan Athletic) 19.
Note: Ian Rakich (University) finished on top of the A-grade poll with 24 votes, but was ineligible after a tribunal suspension.



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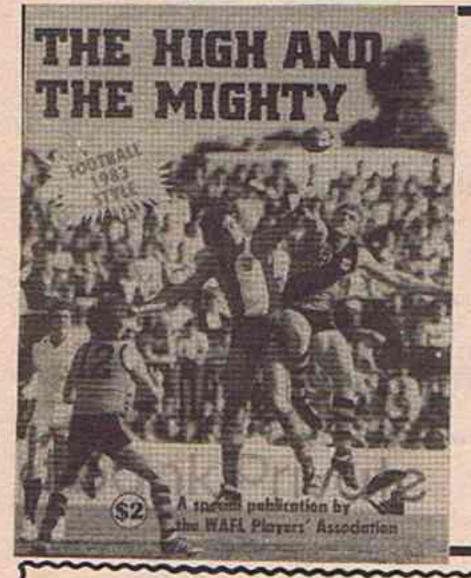
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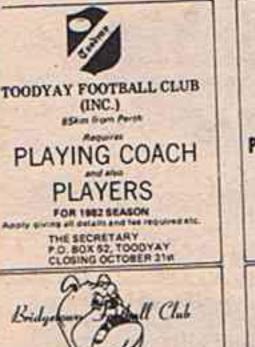
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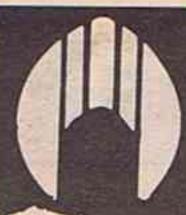
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WAFA REPORT

KIM HAGDORN'S weekly report on the West Australian Football Association competition.

SOUTH PERTH'S WARNING

SOUTH Perth stormed their way into the preliminary final with a disciplined display of team football to convincingly down old rivals Applecross in a heated first semi final at Inglewood Oval last Sunday.

The Tigers turned on their best team work and indivdual skills to sound strong warnings to Osborne Park and Wanneroo.

South Perth won in almost every position on the ground, particularly in defence where the solid back line that coach Kerry Coates has persevered with all season turned defence into attack.

It was the ability of the South Perth running brigade to set up so much of their forward moves and then run the ball into the blustery conditions that Applecross found difficult to counter.

The Tigers can thank a dominant following division for their control of the game where big men Ron Webster and Kevin Dale gave rovers Vince and Tony Capriotti an armchair ride. Ruck rovers Kim Castle and Gary Diver capped off the Tigers control of the ball with superb displays.

Castle was an inspiration to his side with many fine marks around the ground and did a lot of hard work to make it easier for the Tiger runners to keep possession, particularly after they had set up their match winning lead early in the third term.

In true knock-out final fashion the game was fierce and hard fought with both sides guilty of aggressive attention paid to key players.

Tigers' Tony Capriotti was the centre of two reports that resulted from close checking attention from the Hawks.

Hawks big man Chris Roe was reported for allegedly striking the effervescent rover in the second quarter, while Steve Nugent was reported for allegedly striking Capriotti in the third quarter.

DOMINANCE

Hawks coach Mick Jez worked tirelessly to lift his side, receiving strong support from roving captain Mick Pember, who put in a valiant effort to over-come the dominance of the Tiger little men. Bernie Vale had an interesting duel with Gary Kingston at centre-half-forward for most of the day before Jez tried himself in the key attacking role.

The Hawks end their season far from disgraced completing their most successful year since they were beaten grand finalists in 1980. They have unveiled many fine young players and have served warning they will be force in Sunday football for some time yet.

McNEILL THE KEY

Osborne Park coach Gerrard McNeill looms as the key to his side's prospects of upsetting Wanneroo in this weeks second semi final at Inglewood Oval.

McNeill hopes to cap off his most successful season in WAFA football by taking the Saints into the grand final for the first time since 1978.

He has already completed his best personal year by taking out the British Paints medal for the best and fairest player in the competition and this Sunday's

is vital to his club's chances encounter of claiming premiership honours.

McNeill will lead the Saints ruck battery against the Roos big men, who have been in good form all season. The control on the ball will be vital to both sides with the Roos looking to big Dennis Williams to use all his experience and skill to over-come the effectiveness of McNeill.

Roos coach Stuart Hillier hasn't been happy with the form or attitude of his players in recent weeks, but knows the finals experience and know who of his new club is there and will aim to exploit it to the fullest in an effort to register their seventh consecutive premiership title.

The clash of hard-running players like Saints Wayne Loxley and Hillier will be a feature of the game and crucial to the eventual outcome.

POTENTIAL

Loxley has had a sound introduction to WAFA football and has shown his true potential for the Saints on many occasions, to the extent of taking out the club fairest and best award.

Hillier will be looking for a lift in rating from the likes of Glen Yabuka, Rob Sailor, Mick Fuller and full forward Steve Finch if they are to step the Saints.

The goal kicking potential of both sides is enormous with leading full forwards Finch and Saints Norm Uncle at alternate ends of the ground.

Both players have registered the magical ton for the year and loom as potential match winners for their respective clubs. Rival coaches will spend time before the match deciding who is best suited to stop the dominance of the key forwards.

Hillier has a ready made defender in Alan Shepheard to take on Uncle, but McNeill doesn't appear to have such an easy-made opponent for Finch.

The recent form shown by the South Perth Tigers makes a win this Sunday vital to both sides as neither would fancy coming up against the hot Tigers after a weeks rest.

Whatever the outcome, Sunday football followers can be assured of a close and hard fought encounter.

WAFA officials will pray for a fine day to assist the attraction of a crowd to see the best two sides in the competition as the facilities at Inglewood Oval leave much to be desired for the spectators of finals

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Round 2 - April 2 Subjaco 20.8; Perth 11.14 Sth Frem 18.11; West Perth 16.8 April 4 East Perth 22.9; Swans 23.20 Claremont 27,15; East Frem 13,5

Round 3 - April 9 East Frem. 9.9, Swans 18.24 E. Perth 14.8, Cl'mont 23.22 W. Perth 22,24, Perth 14,10 Subjaco 9.19, South Frem. 27.22

Round 4 - April 16 Swans 10.13, W. Perth 20.18 * Cl'mont 17.15, Subiaco 15.10 Perth 13.15, E. Perth 18.19

April 17 S. Frem. 24.16, E. Frem. 14.9

Round 5 - April 23 Swans 21.18; Subjaco 17.8 Cl'mont 22,15; W. Perth 11,8 East Frem. 19.22; Perth 10.11 E. Perth 19,14; Sth. Frem. 28.14

Round 6 - April 30 Sth Frem 24.22, Swans 13.18 Perth 15.14, Claremont 17.18 W. Perth 19.15, East Frem 19.19 Subiaco 12.17, E. Perth 19.13

Round 7 - May 7 Swans 17,25, Perth 15,13 Cl'mont 17,10, S. Frem. 15,16 E. Frem. 18.12, E. Perth 31.18** W. Perth 17.18, Subiaco 9.19 May 14/15 - Weekend Carnival

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Round 8 - May 21 East Perth 19.18, West Perth 10.9 Subiaco 18.10, E. Frem. 19.18 S. Frem. 26.18, Perth 12.18

May 22 Claremont 24.17, Swans 18.19 Round 9 - May 28

E. Frem. 24.18, C'mont 19.15 Swans 26.20, E. Perth 19.16 W. Perth 16.16, S. Frem. 22.16 ** Perth 29.15, Subjaco 19.7 June 4 WA 20.14, SA 16.14

Round 10 - June 6 W. Perth 15.21, Swans 16.18

S. Frem. 18.20, E. Fem. 19.13 E. Perth 22.21, Perth 10.12 Subiaco 14.15, C'Mont 24.10

Round 11 - June 11 Swans 30.15, East Frem, 15.11 Perth 21.14, W. Perth 27.11 S. Frem. 26.29, Subiaco 9.4 C'mont 13.9, E. Perth 18.16

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April 10 Swans 5.15, Nth Melbourne 27,23

Round 4 - April 16 St Kilda 11.13, Geelong 13.12 (P) Ess'don 20.21, Col'wood 17.15 Fitzroy 17.23, Swans 6.16 Hawthorn 12.25, Footscray 17.16 Melb. 13.12, Carlton 14.15 Nth. Melb. 18.19, Richmond 14.19

Part Round 5 - April 23

Carlton 9.11; Fitzroy 18.17 Col'wood 9,19; Hawthorn 14,11

April 24 Swans 24.16; St. Kilda 21.11

Part Round 5 - April 25, Anzac Day Richmond 17,12; Footscray 18.8 Nth, Melbourne 17.21; Essendon 20.8 Geelong 16.14; Melbourne 18.13

Round 6 - April 30 Hawthorn 12.16, Richmond 15.16 (P) Carlton 12.13, Geelong 14.11 Collingwood 19,16, Nth Melb 15,18 Essendon 27.19, Footscray 7.7 Melbourne 18.18, Swans 12.21 St Kilda 15,12, Fitzroy 22,11

Round 7 - May 7 St. Kilda 11.9, Melb. 16.12 Fitzroy 11-10, Geelong 9.13 Footscray 11.16, Coll'wood 14.4 Hawthorn 13.13, N. Melb. 21.16 Richmond 16.16, Essendon 21.11

May 8

Round 8 - May 14 Coll'wood 16.11, Richmond 8.11 (P) Geelong 11.18, Swans 16.14 Hawthorn 20.17, Ess'don 14.11 Melb. 12.15, Fitzroy 18.17 St. Kilda 12.17, Carlton 22.13

Nth. Melb. 29.15, Footscray 11.8

Swans 18,10, Carlton 22,17

May 16

S.A. 26.16, Vic. 17.14

Round 9 - May 21

Fitzroy 13.21, Footscray 22.13 (P) Carlton 15.14, Hawthorn 14.12 Essendon 22,17, Melbourne 17,13 Geelong 12.12, Nth. Melb. 18.16 St Kilda 16.12, Richmond 13.15

May 22 Swans 18.13, Collingwood 14.15 Round 10 - May 28

Melbourne 16.13, Hawthorn 27.9 Coll'wood 10.17, Fitzroy 13.15 Essendon 15.19, Geelong 15.7 Footscray 17.26, St. Kilda 11.16 Nth. Melb. 29.19, Carlton 11.16 Richmond 16.10, Swans 14.10

Round 11 - June 4

Carlton 15.11, Ess'don 19.12 Fitzroy 20.16, Richmond 16.18 Hawthron 12.16, Geelong 14.11 Melbourne 18.17, Nth. Melb. 20.19 St. Kilda 21.18, Coll'wood 24.16

June 5 Swans 17.19, Footscray 15.12

Part Round 12 - June 11 Ess'don 23.18, Swans 13.5 Hawthorn 25.17, Fitzroy 21.8 St. Kilda 15,14, N. Melb. 20,15

Part Round 12 - June 13 Coll'wood 12.15, Melb. 10.8 Footscray 15.12, Geelong 14.7 Richmond 21.15, Carlton 13.13

Round 13 - June 20 St Kilda 13.13, Essendon 21.12 Carlton 26.15, Footscray 12.10 Fitzroy 34.26, N. Melb. 10.10 Geelong 15.11, C'wood 13.7 Melb. 18.15, Richmond 15.19

June 21 Swans 11.12, Hawthorn 15.20

Round 14 - June 27 Richmond 11.4, Geelong 10.9 Collingwood 15.10, Carlton 6.9 Essendon 8.10, Fitzroy 9.11 Hawthorn 21.17, St Kilda 9.20 Melbourne 14.15, Footscray 12.13 Nth Melb. 11.16, Swans 7.8

Round 15 - July 2 Footscray 9.6, Hawthorn 13.11 (P) Carlton 9.13, Melbourne 15.16 Coll'wood 16.8, Essendon 13.9 Geelong 9.14, St. Kilda 18.12 Richmond 16.18, Nth Melb. 21.12

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Part Round 16 - July 16 Hawthorn 19.23, Coll'wood 14.16 Melbourne 10.19, Geelong 10.13 St Kilda 20.9, Swans 14.16

Round 17 - July 23 Nth Melb. 24.8, Coll'wood 14.14 Footscray 16.11, Essendon 18.17 Fitzroy 20.18, St. Kilda 22.17 Richmond 11.16, Hawthorn 22.14 Geelong 11.17, Carlton 15.18 July 24

Swans 18.17 Melb. 16.16 Round 18 -July 30

Geelong 7.7, Fitzroy 16.15 Carlton 17.17, Swans 11.9 Coll'wood 12.10, Footscray 9.19 Essendon 6.14, Richmond 19.10 N. Melb. 12.18, Hawthorn 15.7 St. Kilda 11.15, Melbourne 14.14

Round 19 - August 6 Footscray 10.11, N. Melb. 25.14 Carlton 25.18, St. Kilda 8.13 Essendon 23.18, Hawthorn 10.14 Fitzroy 22.29, Melbourne 11.9 Richmond 11.13, Collingwood 13.11 August 7

Swans 10.15, Geelong 20.21

Round 20 - August 13 Richmond 9.11, St. Kilda 21.14 Collingwood 28.14, Swans 18.12 Footscray 19.11, Fitzroy 14.15 Hawthorn 15.22, Carlton 20.9 Melbourne 19.10, Essendon 21.15 N. Melb. 16.20, Geelong 11.18

Round 21 - August 20 Hawthorn 25.22, Melbourne 8.9 Carlton 18.18, North Melb. 13.15 Fitzroy 19.13, Coll'wood 7.21 Geelong 12.11, Essendon 26.9 St Kilda 13.16, Footscray 16.4 August 21

Swans 10.13, Richmond 15.24 (S)

Round 22 - August 27 Essendon 18.10, Carlton 8.19 (P.) Coll'wood 24.11, St Kilda 14.18 Footscray 17.12, Swans 10.12 Geelong 11.11, Hawthorn 24.13 Nth. Melb. 21.22, Melb. 10.15 Richmond 12.21, Fitzroy 19.14

September 3 Qualifying Final Elimination Final September 10 1st Semi Final 2nd Semi Final September 17 Preliminary Final

September 24 Grand Final



South Australian National Football League

Matches to be played on ground of first mentioned club except first listed game each week to be played at Football Park.

Round 1 - April 2 Port 19.9; Glenelg 17.16 West 23,22; Centrals 8,10 Woodville 13.24; Torrens 18.19 North 14.9; South 7.18 April 4 Sturt 12,14; Norwood 11,7

Round 2 - April 9 Central 20.23, Nth. Adel. 8.12 Sth. Adel 17.12, W. Torrens 9.12 Port 15.11, Norwood 17.16 Sturt 22.8, Glenelg 12.11 West Adel, 21,22, W'ville 15,7

Round 3 - April 16 W. Adel. 29.13, Glenelg 23.11 N'wood 17.12, Centrals 14.14 W'ville 6.7, Sth. Adel 19.21 N. Adel. 14.17, W. Torrens 15.15

April 17 Port 18.23, Sturt 15.11

Round 4 - April 23 Port 16.8: Central 12.10 W'ville 10.13; North 15.15 W. Torrens 14.10; W. Adelaide 18.17

April 25 Sth. Adel, 13,17, Sturt 15,15 Norwood 29.14, Gleneig 12.12

> Round 5 - April 30 South 13.13, Port 15.11 Centrals 16.17, Woodville 11.10 Glenelg 12.14, North 14.17 Torrens 15.17, Sturt 20.17

May 1 West 14.16, Norwood 16.6

Round 6 - May 7 Glenelg 15.16, Torrens 23.11 South 19.16, Centrals 12.6 Port 16,17, West 22,16 Sturt 24.19, Woodville 16.9

North 29.15, Norwood 13.10 Round 7 - May 14 Port 15.16, Torrens 10.15 West 15.16, North 12.12 Glenelg 7.12, Woodville 16.3 Norwood 13.10, South 10.5

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Round 8 - May 21 West 17.14, Sturt 29.16 South 20.13, Glenelg 7.15 Centrals 25.13, Torrens 16.14 Woodville 14.10, Norwood 26.6 North 19.11, Port 21.7

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May 29 Port 11.16, Woodville 15.11

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Round 15 - July 9 Norwood 18.9, North 7.8 Torrens 18.14, Glenelg 16.9 West Adel. 15.15, Port 15.14 Woodville 11.15, Sturt 29.21

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Round 16 - July 16 Centrals 15.16, Sturt 19.8 Torrens 20.14, Port 16.9 Woodville 15.15, Glenelg, 17.18 North 18.16, West 30.11

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Round 19 - August 6 Centrals 14.8, W. Adelaide 22.16 Sturt 19.9, Norwood 22.8

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Port v Centrals

Elimination Final September 10

September 11 1st Semi Final

Qualifying Final

2nd Semi Final

September 18

September 17

Preliminary Final September 25

Grand Final October 1



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WAFL FIRST SEMI FINAL

SWAN DISTRICTS	6.8	9.12	16.20	21.25	151
EAST FREMANTLE	2.1	5,9	7.10	13.14	92
SCORERS: SWAN DISTRICTS: SNarkle, P. Narkle 2.2; Kenny 2.1; S1.0; Nowotny, Neesham 0.2; Crans	nine. Sm	nith 1.2: P	(Im her!)	2V 1 1 - Br	1; K.
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MANTLE: Lester-Smith 3.2; Cassidy 2.4; Turco 2.1; Wrensted, Browning 1.2; Rankin 1.0; Nolan, Cormack, Jones 1.0; Harding, Kickett, Waterson 0.1. BEST: SWAN DISTRICTS: P. Sartori, P. Narkle, K. Narkle, L. Baker, M. Smith, G. Neesham, EAST FREMANTLE: M. Johnson, D. Rankin, M. Wrensted, W. Cormack, S. Ellis, S. Green.

UMPIRES: J. Morris, M. Ball. East Fremantle won toss and kicked to western end. Free-kicks: SWAN DISTRICTS 6, 5, 5, 5 — 21; out-of-bounds 2; 25m 2. EAST FREMANTLE: 13, 7, 9, 6 — 35; out-of-bounds 4; 15m 4, Played at Sublaco Oval, attendance 23,345.

HOW THEY LINED UP

SWAN DISTRICTS: Backs: Ware, Solln, Kenny. Half-backs: Skwirowski, Cransberg, Fogarty. Centres: P. Narkle. Smith, Brenton. Half-forwards: Neesham, Rance, Hutton. Forwards: Johns, Baker, Kimberley. Ruck: Sartori, Langsford, K. Narkle. Interchange: Nowotny, Shine.

ack, Ellis, Crouch, Centres: Jones, Wrensted, Kickett, Half-forwards: Green, Browning, Cassidy. Forwards: Johnson, Needle, Lester-Smith. Ruck: Harding, Wilson, Turco. Interchange: Kerr, Waterson.



Reserves



SWAN DISTRICTS......... 3.3 6.11 17.15 CLAREMONT. 4.5 8.6 10.7 13,12 SCORERS: SWAN DISTRICTS: Werner 7; Burgess, Nuich 5; Floyd 3; Outridge, Holmes 2; Malden. CLAREMONT: Rowe 6; McArthur 2; Kickett, Kanther, Pearce, Winning, Hansen 1.

BEST: SWAN DISTRICTS: Burgess, Holmes, Outridge, Malden, Platts, Werner, CLAREMONT: Foulkes, Rowe, Klemm, Pearce, Hann, Kickett.





SOUTH FREMANTLE..... 2,4 8.10 15.13 22.15 SWAN DISTRICTS..... 2.1 3.3 4.3 SCORERS: SOUTH FREMANTLE: Little 5; Adkins 4; D. Collard, B. Collard 3; Brown 2; Maskos, Rowe, Dellar, McDonald, Morgan 1. SWAN DISTRICTS: Simmonds 2; Douglas, Heys, Cope 1.

BEST: SOUTH FREMANTLE: Sims, Adkins, Little, B. Collard, D. Collard, Perejmibida. SWAN DISTRICTS: Heys, Allen, Klernan, Moore, Douglas, Simmonds.

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COLLINGWOOD 7.5 15.7 19.9 24.11 155 ST KILDA.... 1.0 14.8 SCORERS: COLLINGWOOD: Richardson, Dalcos.7; Morwood 4; Williams 3; Cloke 2; Phillips, A. Shaw, Picken 1. ST KILDA: Foschini, Meehan 3; Crow 2; Morwood, O'Donnell, Cross, D. Cunningham, Sarau, Lockett 1. BEST: COLLINGWOOD: Richardson, S. Morwood, Browne, Williams, Fellowes, Picken. ST KILDA: P. Morwood, Burns, G. Cunningham, Cross, Meehan, Sarau, Played at Victoria Park, attendance 10,603.

HAWTHORN 6.4 GEELONG. 1.2 11.11

SCORERS: HAWTHORN: McCarthy 5; Judge, Tuck 4; Brereton 3; Roberts,
 Kennedy, Shields 2; Loveridge, Diplerdomenico. GEELONG: Darcy,
 O'Keefe, Yeates, Featherby 2; Johnston, Neal, M. Kol.

BEST: HAWTHORN: Robertson, Greene, O'Halloran, McCarthy, Eade, Loveridge, GEELONG: Bos, Johnston, Featherby, Yeates, O'Keefe, Card. Played at Kardinia Park, attendance 11,214.

FITZROY 4.3 RICHMOND. 3.5 5.12 9.17 12.21 SCORERS: FITZROY: Quinian 5; Parish 3; Conlan, Sidebottom, Wilson,

Harris 2; Rendell, Scott, Gotch. RICHMOND: Roach, Sarah 2; Weightman, Dunne, Gepp, Egan, Strachan, Jess, Landy, Conlan 1. BEST: FITZROY: Harris, Wilson, Parish, Roos, Osborne. RICHMOND: Wiley, Palm, Egan, Rioli, Landy, Rowlings. Played at the MCG, attendance 27,310.

FOOTSCRAY.......... 2.1 114 8.11 10.12 72 SCORERS: FOOTSCRAY: Williams, Edmond 4; Beasley 3; Royal, Duper-ouzel 2; Gorozidis, Klomp 1. SWANS: Sutton 4; Smith 2; Roberts, Allender,

Danlher, Morwood 1. BEST: FOOTSCRAY: McLean, Hawkins, Royal, Wallis, Williams, Edmond. SWANS: Carter, Whitzell, Lucas, Kruse, Sutton. Played at Western Oval, attendance 13,389.

NORTH MELBOURNE 148 MELBOURNE..... 9.11 9.13 10.15 SCORERS: NORTH MELBOURNE: McCann, Schimmelbusch, McDonald 4; J. Krakouer, Glendinning 3; Furey, P. Krakouer, Demitriou. MELBOURNE: Fidge 3; Bettison, Wilson 2; Cordner, Dickson, Moore.

BEST: NORTH MELBOURNE: Schimmelbusch, McCann, Abernethy, Moore, Kelly, Grieg. MELBOURNE: Flower, Wright, Connolly, McLean, Johnson, Fldge. Played at Arden Street Oval, attendance 10,603.

5.11 6.18 8.19 SCORERS: ESSENDON: Daniher 4; Buhaglar 3; Foulds, King, Merrett, Watson 2; Wood, Clayton, Williams. CARLTON: Hunter, Buckley 2; Sheldon, Johnston, Ditchburn, Marcou.

BEST: ESSENDON: Neagle, Watson, Hawker, Merrett, Buhaglar, Carey. CARLTON: Doull, Hunter, Sheldon, Johnston, Played at VFL Park, attendance 64,232.

TOP VFL GOALSCORERS

B. Quinlan (Fitzroy) 106; S. Beasley (Footscray) 69; L. Matthews (Hawthorn) 65; T. Daniher (Essendon) 50; M. Conlan (Fitzroy), M. Richardson (Collingwood) 49; C. Brady (Swans) 47; J. Krakouer (North Melb.) 43; G. Buckenara (Hawthorn), M. Moncrieff (Hawthorn), M. Williams (Collingwood), S. McCann (North Melbourne); M. Jackson (St Kilda), S. Copping (Essendon), J. Edmond (Footscray) 41;



WEST ADELAIDE 6.3 12.8 18.11 GLENELG. 4.5 7.6 12.8 105 SCORERS: WEST ADELAIDE: Luders 11; Smith, Grosser 4; Conlen 3; Bennett 2; Williams, Morris, Fielke 1. GLENELG: Carey 5; Kernahan 3; Symonds, Kidney 2; Twelftree, Duthye, Fedke, Parish.

BEST: WEST ADELAIDE: Conlen, Bennett, Borchard, Grosser, Luders, De Jong, GLENELG: Carey, Sydmonds, Kernahan, McDermott, Sallsbury, Seebohm. Played at Richmond Oval, attendance 9,673.

17.11 19.16 SOUTH ADELAIDE 6.2 11.5 18.12

SCORERS: WOODVILLE: Roberts 6; Blight 4; Scheer, Simpson, Bolton 2; Lewis 6; Harris 2; Davies, Cook, Vimpany, Beaven, Lynch, Koop 1. SOUTH ADEALIDE: Cornes 5; G. Hewitt 3; Thurlow 1. BEST: NORTH LAUNCESTON: Butler, Schneebichier, Hawkins 2; Hateley, D. Hewitt, Carty, Would 1. Marsh, Reid, Mackrill, Loone, LAUNCESTON: 6

BEST: WOODVILLE: R. Fuller, Roberts, Parker, Blight, Bolton, Mackereth. SOUTH ADELAIDE: Cornes, D. Hewitt, Hawkins, Ivanoff, Butler, White. Played at Adelaide Oval, attendance 2,645.

STURT....... PORT ADELAIDE 3.2 15.6 116 SCORERS: STURT: Davies 6; Paynter 4; Derrington 3; Motley, Hollis, Brown, Barbary 2; Whittiesea, Fielke 1. PORT ADELAIDE: Evans 5; P. Robertson, Huppatz 4; Clifford, Johnston, Anderson, Kennedy, Cole.

BEST: STURT: Paynter, Fry, Motley, Whittlesea, Spiel, Derrington, PORT: Belton, Clifford, Huppatz, R. Ebert, Kinnear, Cole, Played at Alberton Oval, attendance 8,272.

NORTH ADELAIDE 6.3 11.9 13.12 17.19 5.5 11.10 13.13 SCORERS: NORTH ADELAIDE: Dietrich 6; Arnold 5; Mason 2; Grenfell, Sanders, Antrobus, Campbell 1. TORRENS: Phillipou, Hamill 3; Schimmel-

busch, Stretch 2; Hill, Dillon, Nikoletos. BEST: NORTH ADELAIDE: Antrobus, Campbell, Armfleld, Arnold, Redden, Dietrich. WEST TORRENS: Schimmelbusch, Lindsay, Pilmore, Enright, Dillon. Played at Football Park, attendance 4,847.

NORWOOD 2.3 CENTRAL DISTRICT 5.3 12.10 14.11

SCORERS: NORWOOD: Roberts 10; Renfrey, Michalanney, Button 2; Thomas, M. Alsh, Thiel, A. Alsh, Gallagher, CENTRAL DISTRICT: Collins 3; Bubner 2; Robertson, Beythlen, O'Nelli, Hart, Edwards, Schwerdt, Vivian, Barilla, Kreig.

BEST: NORWOOD: Roberts, M. Alsh, Renfrey, McIntosh, Gallagher, Jenkins, CENTRAL DISTRICT: O'Nelli, Krieg, Trigg, Collins, Vivian. Played at Elizabeth Oval, attendance 6,888.

TOP SOUTH AUSTRALIAN GOALKICKERS

R. Davies (Sturt) 122; N. Roberts (Norwood) 100; R. Luders (West Adelaide 91.

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NTFA - FIRST SEMI FINAL

NTH LAUN. 2.2 6.9 11.14 20.21 141 LAUNCESTON 2.8 5.9 11.12 12.16 88

SCORERS: NORTH LAUNCESTON: Norquay 6; Reld, Hughes 3; Sellers, Mackrill 2; Loone, Young, Lovett, Jordan 1. LAUNCESTON: Lewis, Stoward, Cook, Kremerskothen,

NWFU - SECOND SEMI FINAL

SMITHTON 4.6 11.6 15.12 19.17 131 COOEE 1.8 4.14 11.17 83

SCORERS: SMITHTON: Maguire, Loring 6; Heald 4; Herbert, Korpershoek, Coombe 1. COOEE: S. Beaumont 4; K. Beaumont 3: Plant 2; Docking, Mihocek, BEST: SMITH-TON: Parsons, Korpershoek, Burke, Nichols. COOEE: Deverall, Minocek, Keygan, Hislop.

TANFL - FIRST SEMI FINAL

CLARENCE 5.2 9.5 14.6 16.10 106 0 SANDY BAY 2.4 6.8 10.15 15.16 106 6

SCORERS: SANDY BAY: Martyn 3; Marquis, Margetts, Kingston, Galligan 2; Fagan, Squires, James, Jackson 1. CLARENCE: Clark 3; Kelly, Hughes, Vandersen, Relwoldt 2; Moles, Wheare, Moorecroft, Rogers, Dutton. BEST: CLAR-ENCE: Clark, Relwoldt, Crawford, Rogers. SANDY BAY: James, Martyn, Munday, Whit-

BRISBANE

MAJOR SEMI FINAL

SOUTHPORT 7.1 11.2 14.5 17.10 112 MORNINGSIDE 2.0 5.3 7.7 10.10 70

SCORERS: SOUTHPORT: Tagliabue 5; Separavich, Munro 3; Crowley, Cotter 2; O'Connor 1. MORNINGSIDE: Dwyer 3; Russ, McGregor 2; Durward, Calle, Tarrant, BEST: SOUTH- 0 PORT: Guy, Cotter, Tagllabue, Taylor, Wells, @ McGuane, MORNINGSIDE: Blair, Dwyer Tarrant, Russ, McGregor, Willett.

KNOCKOUT SEMI FINAL

WINDSOR ZILL3.6 5.6 8.11 11.16 82 SANDGATE 1.6 3.9 4.13

SCORERS: WINDSOR ZILLMERE: Sparks 3; Martin, Pie, Baker 2; Payne, Brittain, SAND-GATE: McAuliffe, Smith, Flintham, Farry, Aquillina, Piper, BEST: WINDSOR ZILLMERE: Lawrie, Sparks, Barwick, Baker, Karklis, M. Brittain, O'Connor. SANDGATE: McAuliffe, Colthurst, Forbes, Jacobsen, Smith, Banfleld.

SYDNEY

ELIMINATION SEMI FINAL

BALMAIN 4.6 6.9 7.14 11.17 83 ST GEORGE 0.2 4.10 8.15 8.19 67

SCORERS: BALMAIN: Boccabella 4; Breen 3; Shepherd, T. Gunning, Holland, Briscoe, ST GEORGE: Roberts, Wests 2; A. Brain, S. Calrnduss, Rainbird, Fletcher. BEST: BAL-MAIN: Breen, Briscoe, T. Gunning, Southam, Watts, ST GEORGE: A. Brain, Roberts, Travers, McGrath, Oliver.

VFA FIRST SEMI FINAL

PORT MELB. 11,3 16.8 22.11 28.12 180 SANDR'HAM 4.1 8.3 13.12 20.14 134

SCORERS: PORT MELBOURNE: Anderson 8; Fitzpatrick 7; Cook 4; Swan, Easton 2; Hoy, Tantsis, Evans, Kavanagh, Ebeyer 1. SAND-RINGHAM: Gallagher 4; Morrison, Bennett, Malling 3; Chapman, Muller 2; Fletcher, Lyons, Mannix 1. BEST: PORT MELBOURNE: Anderson, Swan, Ebeyer, Chadband, Fehring, Kavanagh, Cook. SANDRINGHAM: MacLeod, Mannix, Adams, Mansfield, Chapman, Lyons. Played at Junction Oval, attendance 9,228.

VFL

Collingwood 18.13 (121) d St Kilda 12.8 (80); Footscray 17.12 (114) d Swans 5.13 (43); Essendon 15.8 (98) d Carlton 9.9 (63); Fitzroy 27.21 (183) d Richmond 12.14 (86); North Melbourne 30.31 (211) d Melbourne 4.3 (27); Hawthorn 18.15 (123) d Geelong 8.11

CANBERRA

Manuka 9.8 (62) d Ainsile 8.10 (58); Eastlake 25.18 (168) d Belconnen 19.9 (123); Tugguranong 14.20 (104) d West Canberra 10.11 (74).

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Quick and the dead!

SOMEONE once coined the phrase in the football world - "there is only the quick and the dead".

Nothing exemplifies this statement more than an incident at Swan Districts recently.

Supporters may have noticed Gerard Neesham wearing jumper number 17 - the number worn so recently by retired captain Graham Melrose.

The ink on Melrose's retirement declaration would not have been dry before someone stepped into his jumper.

Melrose, as coach John Todd has said, has done an enormous amount for the development of the Swan Districts team into a power side of the WAFL.

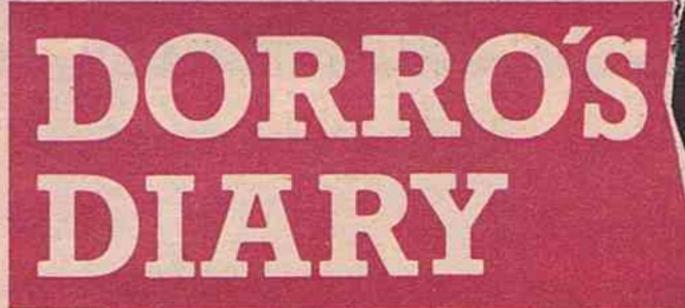
His influence, both on and off the field, has displayed those inner qualities of loyalty, determination and will-to-win that Swan Districts didn't have in previous years.

Although some people may say a jumper is only coloured wool, it is not that to the player who wears it.

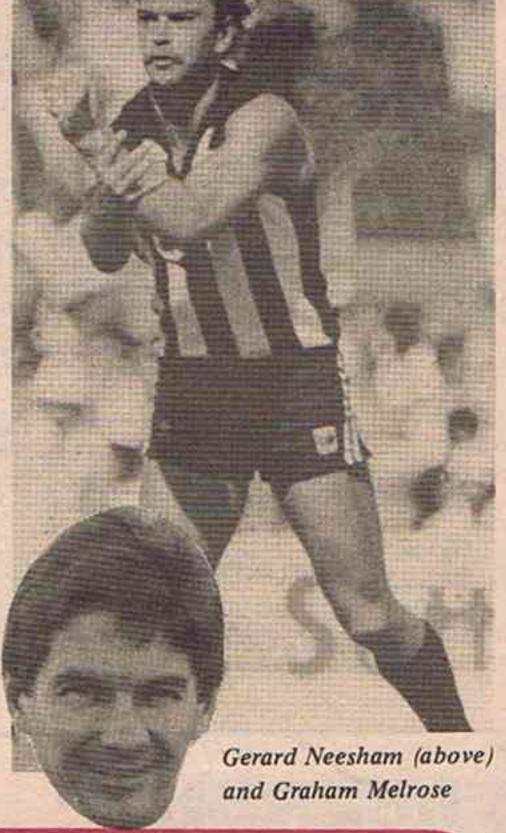
The jumper becomes part of his personality and therefore has to go through all the 'highs' and 'lows' of a season.

Melrose has worn that number 17 jumper with distinction, when you consider he was Simpson Medallist in the 1982 grand final that Swans won.

Surely in respect of his efforts and as a sign of club tradition to the younger players, jumper No. 17 could have at least been kept in moth balls till the end of this season. Or even for 12 months, thus encouraging all future Swan players to wear their jumper with pride and always endeavour to perform to their absolute maximum whenever they put the black and white guernsey on.







Try and try

SEVERAL weeks ago Robert Zupanovich played his first game with the 'Sharks'.

Having kept a close eye on all young players from each club, I have been able to appreciate his efforts in playing league football.

He was an outstanding schoolboy and Teal Cup footballer who was always very big physically in juniors.

As his mates have grown they have caught up to him, and with the added pressures placed on Robert, because he obtained so much as a junior at State level, he has had to overcome the odds to get to league.

Most early "junior stars" fade out of the game, but Robert's dedicated approach even overcame being cleared from South Fremantle.

He has worked hard in the Sharks reserves side all year and the old saying of "try and try again" has reaped its rewards.

I hope Robert becomes a regular league player. But if he doesn't he alone knows the effort required to achieve his 'football goal'.

Getting better each year

LAST weekend I watched the junior grand finals at league headquarters for the Subiaco Junior Council.

Like all junior competition grand finals, there was a great atmosphere with the many club supporters there to offer encouragement.

Having been involved and taken a very close interest in junior football over many years I believe the game in juniors has followed league trends and become a great deal faster.

The general standard of play has improved with some outstanding team displays.

The use of play on, run at all cost football method has created a far better junior football standard.

Some of the "oldies" still harp on the centre square being the ruination of football, taking out body contact etc. The junior games I have seen were great contests exhibiting some of the strongest body work and physical clashes any junior football teams could produce.

As the coaches of our juniors are offered more guidance in the art of coaching, our game can only continue to improve as these finals showed.

Gentle John the country giant

WHEN John Ironmonger was declared the official winner of the 1983 Sandover Medal I couldn't help casting my mind back to the first time I met him.

John was the same size he is now when he was 14 and walked into the Royals club rooms during a country carnival.

You can imagine the looks upon the Royals officials who knew he was tall, but never realised he had to 'duck' under the doorways.

This "young giant" began a close association with Eddie Pitter and myself as his immediate coaches.

John was encouraged to travel up each week from Margaret River and play with the colts. He regularly stayed at Pitter's house and mine, giving us both a better knowledge of this young man.

John's greatest asset was his size, but he has also got great body flexibility.

His early colt games caused Pitter to lose more hair as John found the co-ordination of marking and kicking hard to do.

One week he was going to be a superstar the next week you would have sold him for a pair of football boots. But when you have his size, time is the only answer.

As a man, John is very soft at heart, he always enjoyed the simple things in life and from a coaching point of view, he never caused any worries with his training or attitude to the game.

John has received football's highest honour at a very early age and also when he himself admits, he has played about one full round of football at his best.

He has not realised his true potential and is still two to three years away from football maturity.

Congratulations John!

Proud parents

SOMEWHERE in Perth last week watching the Sandover Medal count would have been two pairs of eyes that were very proud.

Mr and Mrs Ironmonger would have been two of the proudest people in the State.

In my time as a coach, you get to meet many of the players' parents and in Mr and Mrs Ironmonger I have never met anyone more sincere and totally supportive to their son and his coaches.

John's father, Dave, is as big as John and his feats of strength are well known throughout the country. From lifting tractors to carrying bags of superphosphate

Dave is one of the strongest men around. He has always worked hard and yet he is one of nature's gentlemen.

If John ever needed a "kick" - as all young players do at times - I would only have to mention it to Dave, who I'm sure has given John the guidance to be a successful sportsman with a great temperament.

John's sister is an All-Australian netballer, showing that the Ironmonger family has great sporting potential.

Dinner for two

MY sincere congratulations to John Ironmonger on achieving the highest personal honour football can give. I am sure the excellent meal at the Vegas Hotel will help give him the energy to go onto even bigger things in 1984.



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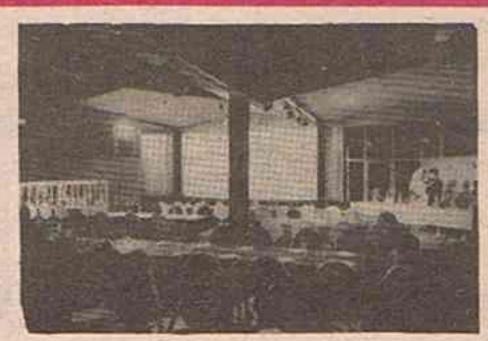
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