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MERTON — The Goal Getters

Merton in 46 years has had many ups and downs, but none to compare with the present goal-getting splurge of 27 goals in four matches.

The Club is one of the oldest in the Brisbane soccer scene and has been to the fore since 1922.

Over the latter years Merton has shown glimpses of greatness only to fade away at crucial times.

At the end of 1961 they were pro-

moted to 1st Division for the 1962 season and after finishing fourth on the ladder, they played excellent football to win the Grand Final by beating Hellenic 2-0.

1963 saw them run 4th again, but their luck was not to hold and they went down fighting 2-1 to Latrobe in the Semi Final.

The next year, 1964 the mighty Latrobe won everything in sight and finished first with 41 points (they never lost a game in 21 fixture matches) while Merton ran a distant second with 29 points.

In the final play-off series Labs and Merton met in the final and Merton ran out victors by the only goal of the match.

Merton had won the right to the final berth by beating Latrobe 2-1 in a semi-final replay. The first finished nil-all.

What, fourth again! Yes, that's where they finished in 1965, but didn't last long as Coalstars skittled them 2-1 in the semi-final.

They were back in the finals after finishing second in the 1966 premiership but were beaten quite easily 5-0

by Hellenic to put them out of the picture.

After a disappointing 1967 season in which they ran sixth, the club has bounced back into prominence with startling results over the last four matches.

The inclusion of Len Willett in the side has worked wonders with the forward line and has given them the confidence that they lacked.

This is shown by the fact that they can still score seven goals with Willett on the side line through injury.

It appears certain that Merton will contest the finals and if the present form hold up they will make the final and what a pleasant way to show thanks to a gentleman known to all and sundry as Mr. MERTON — non other than President Mr. Charlie Andrews.

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Vacancies . . . Referees

Have you ever fancied yourself as a whistler? Well, here is your chance. Queensland soccer referees are on the look out for recruits for a new coaching class which will commence shortly. Anyone interested should contact the Secretary (A. F. Harper, 55-4455).



TREVOR CATCHPOLE
Merton Rovers' Goal Getter

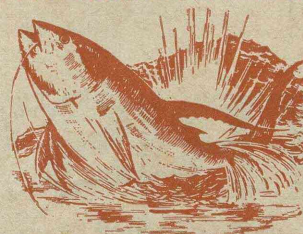
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MITCHELTON STOPS THE GIANT KILLERS

(Second Division by Vic Marshall)

East's progress to premiership honours came to a sudden halt at Heath Park, last week. Sunday's game between Easts and Mitchelton was an all-important one for these two teams.

Easts fresh from victories over the two top teams were confident of tipping Mitchey out of third place and Mitchelton determined to maintain their position just two points from Germania, split by Wynnum.

The first half was played at a fairly fast clip with Mitchelton putting on most of the pressure at this stage. Twenty minutes after the start Easts were awarded a penalty for hands in the box. The kick failed and up to five minutes before rest period it appeared the spectators would see a scoreless first half.

At the 40-minute mark Drew McDonald on the right wing lured Easts keeper out and made no mistake with a placement shot. With two minutes to go Mitchelton were awarded a free kick 35-odd yards out. Ron Prideaux lofted a curving ball toward the far corner and deflection off Tom Devine gave Easts the task of having to net three in the second half. It didn't take long to lessen the leeway. Within a minute

of the commencement of play Gerry Shiner latched on to what was to be a back pass to the keeper. He kept it going in the general direction but cut Brian Parker out to make the difference the odd goal.

Mitchelton seemed to have some difficulty in settling down to the smoother football they had played first half and found themselves doing a lot more defending. It was a hard rugged match throughout with the greens exploiting the offside rule to advantage, though injuries to both sides slowed the game down towards the finish.

It was Mitchey's turn to miss a penalty in this period but the two in the dying stages of the first half was sufficient to down the giant killers by the odd goal in three. A creditable performance against this good team.

The curtain raiser to this game was Willowburn versus Easts third division which the Toowoomba team won comfortably five goals to one. They played

fast open football and their forwards showed they are not afraid to have a go. They are favourites to take the third divvy comp. and it looks odds-on second division will be visiting the Flower City in 1969.

Germania met Burapest Grovely this week on Saturday no doubt hoping for a reasonably easy game with the Queensland Cup match against Azzurri only 24 hours away.

For the first 15 minutes there was no score although even at this early stage Germania were using the ball well and quickly.

Ziggy Wehner was first to beat the keeper and ten minutes later it was four-nil. Young Ralph Clark at centre forward went bang bang and there was absolutely no question about what the result of this game was going to be. Ralph Clark again netted before the break and it's a long long time since Budapest went to oranges needing six goals to win.

Germania simply coasted second half and this match instead of producing the keen duel we had expected and hoped for was nothing more than a pipe opener for Sunday's tussle with the first divisioners.

With half an hour to go Budapest were further demoralised when one of their half backs was despatched to the shower room for an alleged deliberate kick suffered by Germania's replacement left wing Oliver.

Box Maxton at left half found a gap in the defence in the second period and Ralph Clark picked up another brace to bring his tally to six for the game.

At eight goals to nil this was the easiest win of the season. In fact too one-sided to nominate any outstanding players.

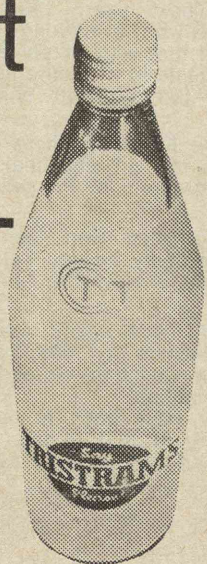
Young Robert Thompson, just turned 17, has shown that youth is no bar by playing consistently at inside left for the top team in the division.

Wynnum maintained second berth one point away from Germania with a decisive six-nil win over Mt. Gravatt.

Due to John Hales' departure to Gladstone, Wynnum brought right back Mac Hinchcliff into the centre forward berth and although Mac picked up a couple of goals this position still appears open. Rassy Harris came in at right back and played a solid game.

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THE IPSWICH SCENE

by Allan Gibb

A visit to Ebbw Vale to see St. Helens in action is always an interesting experience, but very few were prepared for their thrilling clash with Hollandia that kept the big crowd on its toes for the full 90 minutes.

Most had expected the premiership leaders to gain the ascendancy through their power-packed scoring forward line.

Saints 5-3 win is now past history, but the manner of their win after being down 2-nil after ten minutes' play will long be remembered by Ipswich old-timers who recall the never-say-die tradition of local sides.

Saints are riding the crest of a wave that could take them into the finals at the end of the season. Already they have climbed into fourth place, and with their tails well up they look certainties for the semis.

Centre-forward John Verrall in notching his first "hat-trick" seems to have found his niche at last. From a rep. schoolboy at outside-left, he spent some time as goalkeeper before becoming a forward again. His second goal, in which he climbed high above the defence to nod the ball home, was a real gem.

Another youngster to show out was "baby" of the team Ken McLean. It was pleasing to many to see "Bucky" adopt a less aggressive brand of play in favour of ball control and intelligent positioning. The son of former Saints' inside forward, Arthur McLean, his goal that gave his side the lead in the second half was very reminiscent of his father's efforts in the same position.

Goalie Mark Walker must have the eyes of a hawk and the agility of a cat. His immaculate save from a Ray Richards pile-driver was only one of his fine efforts.

It's not hard to see where inside forward John Haswell gets his energy and enthusiasm from. Next time you see Saints in action, spare a few seconds to watch his father, former Bundamba forward, Merv "Snow" Haswell, following every thrust and parry. John was married recently and all soccer lovers will join in wishing him and his bride all the best of good fortune.

Another Saints supporter to follow the game in short but rapid bursts is secretary "Digger" Wathan. Always on the move, and ever ready with a sharp and pointed comment, "Digger" covers more territory than any other official I know.

The Noble family have always been deeply involved in Ipswich soccer as far back as anyone can remember. The latest product is grandson, Norm Podlich, who has been scoring goals in

prolific fashion since he could first kick a ball. He reaped another harvest in Saints reserve grade against Hollandia when he scored all of his side's four goals.

Reserve grade captain Neil Campbell is one of the evergreen brigade that never seems to turn in a bad display despite the veteran tag. His leadership from the back-line is an inspiration to the youngsters coming on to bigger things in the near future.

With eight teams ranging from under -8 to under-18, the future of soccer at Ebbw Vale seems assured for many years to come, and a glance over the coaches of these teams lends promise of a continued high standard of football ability.

Former top goalie Don Leo combines with Jack Dobbie and John Haswell in coaching the under-13 side which has scored no fewer than 105 goals in an undefeated premiership record.

Another premiership leader is the under-8 team coached by Brian Vogler and Spencer Kitching. And how could the under-9 side miss with a pair of mentors like Cliff Sander and Col Kitching.

Al Warren, John Norman, and Keith McKeand are showing the under-11 the finer points while Larry Ritchie handles the under-10's. The under-14's are showing plenty of promise under the guiding hands of Tom Johnston, Dave Bailey and "Bluey" Roberts.

Fred Butcher and Tom McClurg are doing good work with the under-15's who are currently top of the table, while Alan Pitcairn has the older brigade of under-18's running into top form.

A big bouquet to these coaches who are putting back such a lot into the game. Next year an under-7 side is planned and it is rumoured that former centre-half Les McCrea may be coaxed to come out of retirement to lick them into shape.

I recently managed to catch up with those two stalwarts of schoolboy soccer, Harry Linning and Bob Lawrie, at the final of the intercity McGregor cup match at Bundamba last Friday week. As president and secretary of the State Primary Association, they are known

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by just about every schoolboy soccer player from Stanthorpe to Cairns.

Ipswich retained the Cup this year by playing a scoreless draw, and the closeness of the competition can be gauged from the fact that their previous meeting at Wynnum was also a draw 3-3.

I wonder how many hundreds of present and past players can recall their own part in McGregor cup games of yesteryear? I say hundreds because the Cup has been played for by Brisbane and Ipswich since 1925.

The Cup was presented to the Brisbane Gym. in 1923 before going to the Brisbane secondary schools in the following year. The original Cup is still going strong — almost in as good shape as Harry Linning who also has been around in schoolboy soccer for nearly 40 years.

Incidentally, the Ipswich team members had some well-known names in local soccer: Ian Lawrie, Ricky Kitching, Russell Pitcairn, Kim Wishart, Garry Kathage, and Geoff Dann are the sons of Bob Lawrie, Col Kitching, Alan Pitcairn, Des Wishart, and Bill Dann respectively.

As Dagwood Bumstead would say, referees, like husbands, are a sorry lot. If you don't agree, then ask Reg Erskine, one-time player, referee, State selector and present Ipswich selector.

He remembers a game at Blackstone some years ago when a referee stepped in to stop a bout of fisticuffs between two players. Instead of the players getting an early shower, it was the ref. who failed to see out the rest of the game. It seems he twisted his knee in trying to separate the aggressive pair and had to receive some prolonged treatment before he could officiate again. Reg can certainly vouch for the truth of this story as he himself was the unfortunate referee involved.

Spectators also can have their moments. Last Sunday at Ebbw Vale, Bill Thompson of Dinmore bought three doubles from three different sets and each read Saints 9, Opponents 7. A pity the score was 5-3.

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COALSTARS v. LATROBE-WESTS (by Allan Gibb)

Desite indifferent form, Coalstars should avenge their first round defeat at the hands of Latrobe when they meet at Bundamba next Sunday.

Latrobe, premiers three times in the last four years, have an unbeaten record against Coalstars. Since their formation in 1964, the Bundamba side have lost 10 and drawn 2 of their premiership matches against Latrobe.

But Lats. do not seem to be the team they used to be and with only six points on the table and the 13th round of an 18-round competition coming up, their position looks pretty precarious.

Can Coalstars overcome this Latrobe jinx and notch their first win over the Redlegs? I think they can, if they vary their attack to bring both wingers more into the game.

They have lost a good halfback in Ross Hallett, and it will be interesting to see what line-up they will decide upon. Fortunately Coalstars have an excellent reserve grade side with several prospects capable of stepping into the breach.

Their 2-1 win over Thistle a fortnight ago has given them added confidence and those five points from the last three games has lifted them away from the bottom of the table.

I'm looking forward to seeing Martin Coe in action in Lats goal. Keen judges predict a rosy future for this youngster. In fact, with Ron Walton, Peter Clementson and Ron Webber in the backline, this Latrobe defence looks no push-over.

But despite Coalstars' poor record at home (2 wins only) and the Latrobe jinx, I predict that Graham Kathage's team can do the job.



RON ROSS Hellenic's Keeper

HELLENIC v. ST. HELENS (by Ron Mitchell)

St. Helen's speed and persistence should give the Ipswich team an edge over Hellenic in Sunday's early match of the double-header programme at the Exhibition Ground.

A fortnight ago, St. Helens defeated Hollandia 5-3 at Ebbw Vale in the first loss suffered by the premiership leaders since Hollandia went down 0-1 to Azzurri in the first premiership match of the season.

This win by Saints followed a 3-1 victory over Polonia and a 0-0 draw with Azzurri and there is confidence galore in St. Helen's iamp.

The youth policy of St. Helens is paying off.

Ke. Rose, Ken McLean, Glen McKeand, Kevin Dann, and John Verrall are relatively new to top company soccer and are blending well with the more experienced Mark Walker, Greg. Bell, John McIntosh, Tony Gregg, Ray Dann and John Haswell.

St. Helens have much at stake on Sunday. They are fourth on 13 points, but Hellenic also are on 13 points, and fifth through an inferior goal average.

St. Helens are undefeated in away premiership matches this season, having played three draws and won three matches.

Hellenic who are having a real struggle this season have won only two of their last nine premiership fixtures and have stayed in the top half of the points table by drawing five of those nine matches.

Hellenic and Grange Thistle are the only teams who have scored in each competitive match this season, but Hellenic have managed a hat-trick in only two of their 13 matches having been kept down to two goals each in seven of them, and a single goal each in the remaining four.

All this adds up to the fact that Hellenic need to improve their attack or pep up their defence which has conceded 22 goals, the same number as their attack has scored.

The experienced stalwers, Col. Kitching, Brian Vogler and Matt. Jackson, have lost their speed off the mark. Andy Tsoumbaras is going it "too much alone" and there is a lack of cohesion between defence and attack and an almost complete absence of the "backing-up" which used to be such a feature of the Hellenic system.

Trevor Long will improve when he begins to sacrifice speed for better control and should get goals if he is given a better service of the ball.

In defence, Con Petridis could be a big stumbling block to St. Helens' sharp forwards, as he is showing us some good football of late.

CLUB PREVIEWES

I think Hellenic are missing Grahame McMillan, who is making only a slow recovery from the shoulder injury received playing for Queensland against Cardiff City last month.

OXLEY v. GRANGE-THISTLE (by Arthur Bevin)

The game between Oxley and Grange-Thistle at Dunlop Park on Saturday looks like being closely contested.

Oxley did not impress when they played a 2-all draw with Coalstars but improved the following week to defeat Polonia 3-0.

On the strength of that performance I am selecting them to emerge victorious on this occasion.

Thistle did well early in the season but their recent efforts have been very poor.

Last time up they went down 2-1 to Coalstars and must have played very badly for this to have occurred. The way the Ipswich lads shaped against Oxley in one of the worst games of the season left me wondering if they could beat a representative team from Eventide. They too must have improved immeasurably in one short week.

Previously Merton beat Thistle 6-3 and the Scotties were never in the event. Can they also stage a reversal of form? They will need to even though their opponents this time are no real class.

A win by Oxley would put them on level terms with Thistle on the points table. They will certainly be trying to achieve this but, no doubt, Thistle will be all out to consolidate their position.

Keeness will be the keynote and the result should be close but I consider the odds are slightly in favour of the home team.

MERTON v. AZZURRI (by Bruce Waddell)

Merton Rovers, already odds-on for a place in the final four, are now set to throw down the gauntlet to the present

quinella Hollandia and Azzurri in a bold challenge for the premiership title.

They have a chance to prove the worth of this challenge next Sunday at the Ekka when they front goal shy Azzurri — what's more, I think they can win it.

Merton's policy of all-out attack should really hammer the Azzurri rear-guard, which depended so heavily on the experience of Matt Hosie, Ron Clark and Graham Kruger last Sunday to pull them through against the galling Germania.

Maybe with this positive policy employed by Merton, they might be liable to concede a couple of goals, but the usually dangerous pair of David Keen and John Daley were no threat last week, and put the burden on Peter Neilsen and diminutive Eddie Patterson.

Even these two may not worry the sometimes shaky Ross Melville in goal. Eric Pattison and Trevor Catchpole have scored the majority of Merton's 27 goals in their last four games, but it is unlikely that they will be able to rattle up their usual seven on Sunday.

What with big Gary Catchpole in the middle, supported by Leif Petersen and Geoff Green, I can't at this stage see Azzurri scoring even one goal.

Also, so dramatically have the Merton forwards sprung into life, with or without Len Willett, they must notch a couple on Sunday, and prove that their big challenge is no bull.

POLONIA v. HOLLANDIA (by Harry Mourney)

Polonia will have to find a scoring machine to have a chance against Hollandia at Prentice Park, on Saturday.

In the Queensland Cup semi-final against Azzurri last Sunday, Polonia showed they have a goal defence, but, Boy, their scoring potential is poor.



MARK WALKER St. Helen's Goalkeeper

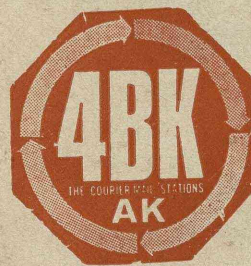
This game should be a repetition of last Sunday with the Hollandia teamwork once again the deciding factor.

Although the records show 5-nil for last week, I think Polonia played better than the score indicates as goalie Frank Romanowski had a bad day and, I firstfeel, could have saved any of the first three goals with better positioning.

By this I'm not taking any credit off Hugh Montgomery who scored the hat-trick. He is fitting in well with the Inala boys and is always up to his knees in work as a deep lying centre-forward.

Polonia may play stronger on their home soil but will have to get up and go at the first whistle and try and out-smart Hollandia's mid-field players John Van Klaveren and Darryl Wilkins.

The smooth working defence of Gary Wilkins, Peter Steen and Phyl Sunderland should prove too strong for Alan James, Wayne Walker and Syd Tucker.



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WHAT DO YOU KNOW?

Have you been learning the laws of the game since last week's quiz? Well this week we have decided to introduce some tricky questions which will require some studying before you answer.

1. If the ball struck the top of the cross-bar what is the maximum height at point of contact?
2. Two players of opposing sides outside the field of play and the ball is in play; one player trips the other. What action should the referee take?
3. The winger is about to pass the ball to his centre-forward who is not offside, as he has a fullback and the goalkeeper between him and the goal-line. The fullback deliberately steps off the field of play so that the centre-forward would be in an offside position. Is this allowed?
4. The goalkeeper is in the penalty area and the opposing centre-forward is outside the penalty area. The goalkeeper throws the ball at his opponent

- and it strikes him full on the face. Would a free kick be awarded outside the area or a penalty kick be awarded?
5. The ball is just about to cross between the posts for a goal to the home team but a stray dog runs on the field and diverts the ball past the goal. In these circumstances would the referee still award a goal?
6. The centre-forward leans onto the shoulders of his team mate to get his head to a high cross in the goal-mouth and scores. Is this in order?
7. Full time has been extended for the taking of a penalty kick. The kick is taken and the ball hits the post and bursts and the deflated ball slowly crosses over the goal line. Is it (a) a goal; (b) penalty retaken; (c) not a goal as full time has expired?
8. The visiting team changes the goalkeeper during the game without notifying the referee. The substitute is brought into early action with a fine one-handed save which diverts the ball past his goal. What is the reaction of the referee to this incident?

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Germania's Grand Effort

Last week's semi final tie between Azzurri v. Germania provided the large crowd at the Exhibition Ground with its finest game of the season. It was fitting that the spectators rose to give the players a tremendous ovation at the end of the game for their fine efforts. The second-divisioners, Germania, proved to be worthy opponents of their more experienced counterparts and many people seeing them for the first time were lavish in their praise afterwards.

It was a nice gesture to see the losers clap their opponents from the field at the end of the game. Yes, Germania, you may have lost the game but you certainly made many friends by your good sportsmanship.

WHO'S PLAYING NEXT

SATURDAY, AUGUST 3rd

Ground to be named:

*Latrobe v. Oxley

Ebbw Vale:

*St. Helens v. Merton

Toowong:

†Toowong v. Mitchelton

Mt. Gravatt:

†Mt. Gravatt v. Bardon

Raymond Park:

†Dnipro v. Easts

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4th

Spencer Park:

*Azzurri v. Coalstars

Lanham Park:

*Thistle v. Polonia

Bundamba:

*Hollandia v. Hellenic

Grovelly:

†Budapest v. Wynnum

Gap:

†Gap v. Postals

Annerley:

†Annerley v. Germania

*First Division

†Second Division

WHAT! NO CAR!

How forgetful can you get! A supporter of the Acacia Ridge Club was so excited after the club win the other week he went home without — guess what? Yes, his car!

3-2 WIN

Sixth Division leaders, Acacia Ridge, had a narrow 3-2 win last week over Redlands and have now a seven-point margin over Redlands, with three teams, Gold Coast, Thornside and Redcliffe, third with 19 points.

JUNIOR JOTTINGS

by Ken O'Donnell

THE CRUCIAL YEARS! Last weekend I watched an Under 14 game (the names of the teams are of no consequence), but whilst I watched these lads pass, tackle and generally play like professionals, the thought struck me that within the next two or three years these lads reach the stage when football is only a secondary consideration and a great number of them drift away from the game and are lost to their clubs, maybe for several years, maybe for good.

This sad state of affairs must affect all clubs and there seems to be no counter to this problem, because when it is all boiled down, what incentive can a soccer club offer a lad to stay and play, when clubs have to contend with things like cars, surfboards and GIRLS?

At the commencement of the season the Bardon Club were unable to field an U8 team and for quite a time a young fellow named Damien Griffin pounded the ears of his school mates, and eventually he was instrumental in getting together enough lads to form the U8's, even though most of these boys were eligible to play in the U7 division.

Not content with this effort, Damien, ably assisted by his 10-year-old brother Brian, continued the crusade and finally managed to form an U7 team also.

The Bardon Club in recognition of this fine effort intends, at an end of the season function, to present Damien with concrete evidence of its appreciation of his club spirit. It was mentioned to me that another rising star in the junior ranks of the Bardon Club is a lad named Dan Doherty and it is expected that in the seasons to come much more will be heard about this lad.

The Bardon Junior Committee wishes to thank all the mothers and fathers who regularly turn out to transport and vocally support the Bardon youngsters.

"Ball Highlights"

"I could have danced all night" seemed to be the theme tune of the Queensland Soccer Federation's inaugural ball at the Riverside Ballroom on Saturday, 20th July, because midnight came and the revelling dancers were still tripping the light fantastic.

"A wonderful night was had by all" said President Bill Waddell. "We were pleased by the response to this new venture of holding our annual ball in mid-season and we hope the success of this change will prove even more favourable next year and the ensuing functions."

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

QUEENSLAND CUP		SEMI-FINALS	
Azzurri	1	Germania	0
Hollandia	5	Polonia	0
SECOND DIVISION		FIRST DIVISION	
Germania	3	Budapest	0
Annerley	4	Gap Postime	1
Postal	2	Toowong	1
Wynnum	6	Mt. Gravatt	0
Mitchelton	2	Easts	1
Dnipro	2	Bardon	1
Germania	15	11	3
Wynnum	15	11	2
Mitchelton	15	10	3
Easts	15	9	2
Annerley	15	8	2
Budapest	15	8	1
Gap Postime	15	6	3
Postal Inst.	15	6	2
Dnipro	15	3	5
Bardon	15	2	1
Mt. Gravatt	15	1	2
Toowong	15	1	2

Tipster's Corner

Progress Points: Waddell 41, Milmo 38, Mournay 38, Steel 37, Brusasco 36, Bevin 32, Mitchell 30.

	Ian Brusasco	Bruce Waddell	Ron Mitchell	John Steel	Harry Mournay	Kevin Milmo	Arthur Bevin	Most Favoured
Coalstars v. Latrobe	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1
Oxley v. Thistle	1	2	2	1	2	1	1	2
Merton v. Azzurri	X	1	1	1	2	1	1	1
Hellenic v. St. Helens	2	1	2	2	2	1	2	2
Polonia v. Hollandia	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2

THE WEAKER SEX

Ladies' soccer? Teams from Annerley, Coalstars, Easts, Mt. Gravatt, Newmarket, Wynnum and Willowburn are showing the way to other clubs by sponsoring their female followers to play the game of soccer. Competition is based on Premiership lines and the trophies, donated by Brisbane Junior Association, are strongly contested for each season.

Next season it is hoped that many more clubs will be taking part in the League. So how about it, clubs? Surely you can organise a team amongst your social club and supporters.

(Bob Geoghegan, Annerley Ladies' Soccer Team, has supplied us with some interesting facts which we hope to print in a later edition.)

OFFENDERS' CORNER

The following is the decision of the Disciplinary Committee on July 10:

Player N. Large, suspended 5 fixtures; N. Hunter, suspended 2 fixtures; D. Lovatt, suspended 4 fixtures; A. Lowndes, suspended 1 fixture.

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SECOND DIVISION

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The score at half time was two-nil. Bill Shaw netted a penalty. Consistent Eddie Wilkins added a couple to his personal tally and Ian Ball who came in at inside right from 12th man due to a player not turning up scored the other goal to give the seaiders a comfortable win.

Vic Leggatt was again prominent in Wynnum's defence and Mt. Gravatt although well beaten played patches of good football. A good clean game and this particular one had no effect on the position of the points table.

Annerley ventured out to the Walton Bridge Reserve to match wits with the boys from the Gap.

First score came when Ian Wood centred a ball which John Menadue despatched per medium of the head to give Gap a one-nil lead. The local team at this stage was playing extremely good football. Ed Kearney levelled the score at one-all and at the half-time whistle things were all square.

In the second half Ed Kearney helped himself to a couple more and Jim Barnes opened his account to give Annerley a comfortable 4-1 victory. Graham Simpson and Paul Menadue ran themselves into the ground for the losers but to no avail. The backs were unable to cope with the Annerley attacks.

This is Annerley's fourth consecutive win and coach Ron White laments the fact they opened the season 4-2-4 style. "We are playing much better football since switching back to conventional style," he said, "and look forward to meeting the big guns in the near future."

This team has climbed steadily to surpass Budapest and run into clear fifth, two points behind Easts.

Newmarket Postals met Toowong on the latter's home ground and in the process of the home team's backs settling down notched their first goal. Wayne Williams levelled for Toowong and the teams rested at one-all.

In the second half the Postal boys

sprayed the ball all around the goal and this period became a battle between their forwards and Toowong's backs; the forwards eventually broke the defence and Newmarket won the game 2-1. From the report I received neither team really played to their capabilities.

Toowong seem to have overcome a little internal trouble and we all hope it will reflect in their future games.

Bardon after frightening the living daylights out of Mitchy last week took Dnipro on at the latter's home ground.

The Bardon boys got away to a fast start peppering the uprights on several occasions and finally Barry Anderson found the necessary penetration to open their account. Dnipro's left wing replied with a screamer that gave keeper Heath no chance. These were to be the only goals in the first half.

Dnipro came back a rejuvenated team in the second half and really turned it on and only brilliant keeping by Peter Heath kept the score down to a final 2-1.

Dnipro missed two penalties, one a lovely save through sheer anticipation, Peter Heath diving full stretch and pushing the ball around for a corner. Keith Miller turned in a second goal for the losers.

The win gives Dnipro a reasonable 11 points, well clear of Bardon 5, and Mt. Gravatt and Toowong four apiece.

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3. No. This action by the defender would not nullify any goal which may result as offside would not be given in these circumstances.
4. A penalty kick as the "intent" began when the ball left the goalkeeper's hand.
5. No. A goal cannot in any case be allowed if the ball has been prevented by some outside agency from passing over the goal line.
6. No. The referee would caution the player for ungentlemanly conduct and award an indirect free kick to the opposing team.
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