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## AZZURRI'S AMPOL CUP



*Azzurri's Bill Haigh doesn't seem too concerned about team-mate Clive Dyson as he appears to watch another team-mate, centre half Peter Nielson, beat Polonia's Syd Tucker to the ball.*

*Actually these were two separate incidents during Azzurri's 7th Ampol Cup final in which they recorded their first success in defeating a disappointing Polonia 4-0.*



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# QLD. AMPOL CUP REVIEW

Last Sunday at the Exhibition Ground Azzurri at last became the Bride instead of the Bridesmaid when they tossed Polonia 4-0 in their seventh attempt at taking the State's prestige trophy, the Ampol Cup, so generously sponsored by one of Soccer's lifetime friends, AMPOL, the Australian Company.

What promised to be a sizzler of a final petered out after the first 20 minutes when Azzurri plundered Frank Romanowski's goal for a match winning 3-0 lead.

And big Frank won't forget Sunday, the 24th August, for quite some time. Bill Haigh rocked a beauty past him after only nine minutes and Romanowski followed up by obligingly sending a clearance straight to Gerry Schoendorfer, who proved to be the perfect opportunist.

It was certainly an unfortunate turn of events for one of Brisbane's most consistent custodians. By then it was all over bar the shouting as Polonia did not appear to have enough reserve to pull the match out of the fire.

David Keen put Azzurri further into the box seat when he rammed in a magnificent header from Schoendorfer's perfectly placed corner kick. Crowd pleasing goals such as this are unfortunately too few and far between.

Polonia had to pray for a miracle in the second half which didn't come and Azzurri were able to lift their tally to four before Des Miles put an end to yet another highly successful and growing Queensland Cup competition.

Soccer '69 had a really close look at the match and decided to allot points to each player in a preview of what may eventuate in our programme covering all club matches in 1970. The points scale is 5 — Outstanding, 4 — very good, 3 — average, 2 — mediocre, 1 — well below form. Have a look at the points allotted and see if you agree.

## AZZURRI

1. D. Neal (3)
2. C. Dyson (2)
3. B. Pinti (3)
4. M. Hosie (3)
5. P. Nielson (3)
6. D. Sargent (4)
7. G. Schoendorfer (3)
8. W. Haigh (3)
9. D. Keen (3)

10. M. Anthony (4)
11. I. Johnston (3)

## POLONIA

1. F. Romanowski (1)
2. E. Musial (2)
3. D. Attwood (3)
4. D. Robson (3)
5. G. Whittaker (3)
6. A. Lowndes (3)
7. R. Danford (3)
8. O. Monaghan (2)
9. R. Clark (2)
10. S. Tucker (3)
11. W. Walker 1st half (2)
- D. Lister 2nd half (2)

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## JUNIOR SNIPPETS

Grange Thistle's big week-end coming up! On the week-end September 6/7, the Scotties are playing host to 16 teams ranging from U7 to U16 from the Eastern Sydney club, and it promises to be a week-end chocked full of entertainment, and if you want to see some Southern stars in action, come along to Lanham Park or Emmerson Park on Saturday and Sunday, September 6/7. The Mitchelton and Zillmere clubs are going to help out with teams Grange can't accommodate.

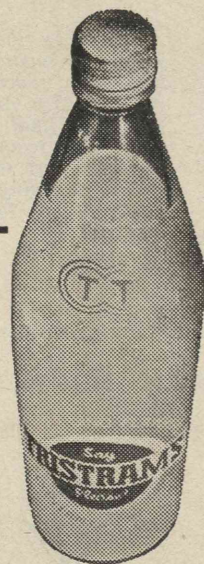
The only other news this week comes from Mt. Gravatt. Their U13A team has just returned from a tour of Como West, N.S.W., where the Mt. Gravatt boys more than held their own.

They arrived on 17th August, and after spending 16 hours on the train, saddled up against their host team Como West, and were unlucky to be beaten 3-2. The second game was against Engadine, and this one went to Mt. Gravatt, 4-2. Carrangbah's 'A' Div. (Grand Finalists) were the next on the list, but they could only manage a draw with the Brisbane boys in this night game. The final game was played again against Como West, but the visitors lost 2-0.

Manager Vic Seabrook was really impressed with the hospitality of the Southern club and its supporters, and included in spare time was a tour of the sights of Sydney and a visit to the famous Taronga Zoo. The boys rated this trip as a mighty experience.

This week-end sees the commencement of the play-offs, and I am sure some good football will be the order of the day, and don't forget, let's know how your teams fare in the finals.

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## 2nd DIVISION



# BROWN LOSES FROWN

By Vic. Marshall

Wynnum coach Henry Brown advises his team are playing their best football since their early season form. South Coast last week fell victim to their onslaught and found themselves trailing by five goals at the half way mark.

Johnny Hales opened the scoring with a 20 yarder followed by reliable Frank Sowden from a Rod Merrin cross. It was Frank again in for the third, then one came from Eddie Wilkins and a second by Johnnie Hales.

In the second stanza the score progressed to 9-0 with John Hales and Ed Wilkins another one apiece, and two more from Frank Sowden. This boy has been a great asset to Wynnum since his return from a trip home and it's a pleasure to watch his ever alert workmanlike display.

Attacking right full back Arthur Creighton turned in another first rate display and in the fact the complete Wynnum back line were in full command of the situation.

If they can maintain this form their clash in the top four with Latrobe as a curtain raiser could be a beauty.

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## A FIZZEY AT MITCHEY

Mitchelton this week had the home game against Newmarket Postals. This should have been a closely contested match, as a win to Mitchey ensured they would remain in the top four, and a loss to Newmarket meant again they would be bordering on the threat of relegation if the Gap were successful against Toowong.

At five minutes into the first half Newmarket were unfortunate in hitting the post, and 10 minutes later Mitchey emulated this feat and at the half way mark the position of the game remained scoreless.

In the second period Newmarket showed their intention of using the following wind by driving the ball over the back line in the initial kick off.

The game as a spectacle was a bit of a fizzer with the score at nil all with only 10 minutes remaining. Then one of Mitchelton's real workers, Ronnie Lawler, moved up the middle and pushed the ball through for Warren Austin to draw the keeper and shoot for a 1-0 lead to Mitchey. Barry Anderson also found a gap with the game in the twilight zone to sew it up for Mitchey at 2-0 in a very mediocre display.

If the Postal boys can keep their heads above water for the next couple they should be a much improved team in this division next year.

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## MENADUE'S DOUBLE

The Gap last week had the home game against Toowong and brothers Paul and John Menadue heartened their supporters with a goal each for a 2-0 half way lead. They went into the second half with the knowledge that if they won this one and Postals lost theirs to Mitchelton only one point would separate them with two games remaining.

The Menadue boys made certain they entered the winners stall when John added a further two and Paul one to their respective tallies for a 5-0 victory. Newmarket also accommodated them by going home pointless when they had their opportunities. So now the stage is set for an interesting finish.

Veteran Bill Allen, at outside right, gave the goal scorers plenty of ball to work with. Harry Brooks as usual worked himself into the ground. Young Peter Napier at left back showed good anticipation.

It looks very likely Toowong will not add to their lone point on the table, as for their last two they meet Wynnum (their nemesis, as so aptly described by Les Hewitt) and Annerley, so neither of these two will be easy.

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## CARPENTER'S FIFTY

Latrobe and Annerley last week had the curtain raiser to Polonia and Azzurri in the final of the Ampol Cup.

After only five minutes Derek Carpenter found a gap in the blues defence to give Lats a 1-0 lead, and congratulations to Derek on achieving his 50th goal for the season, no mean feat in any grade of football. The second goal came when Eddie Carrigan placed a free kick right on to Ray Thaw's head.

Lats were much superior at this stage and Scotty Jamieson twice within a couple of minutes crossed to Derek Carpenter who made no mistake on either occasion, and with only a couple of minutes to half time Peter Parog opened his account for a healthy 5-0 lead.

In the second half Annerley showed a lot more determination and after it appeared they may have held the red legs scoreless in this period Peter Parog broke through with eight minutes of play left.

Annerley were awarded a penalty in the last minute and the best Geoff Gault could manage was to rattle the crossbar and so Lats took the game out at 6-0.

A word of praise to the courage of Key Casey in goals for Annerley, 'Big Case' doesn't know how to take a backward step in the danger area and he was more than just plain unlucky to be carried off in the last few minutes. His counterpart in Lats' goals, Martin Coe, gave a very polished display when called upon to safeguard the goal average.

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## DNIPRO TOSS BABES

Dnipro last week, playing host to Easts, may have been excused for believing the team selected to oppose them was one of the south side high schools because it contained no less than six under fifteens. Necessity is the mother of many things but six children in open company would be a deterrent to any opposing team.

You know they're good, I know they are good, but not in second division in half dozen lots.

Brian Tarren put the home side into the lead with the only goal in the first half and Easts levelled in the second stanza when Ian Ball converted a penalty. However Brian Tarren, having a good game for Dnipro, won the match for them with a perfect header with only ten minutes to go.

Duncan Abbott, back in his usual position at left back, had a good game for the losers.

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## WILLOWBURN SALVAGE POINT

Budapest visited Willowburn last week and found themselves in a spot of bother when the home team rattled in a couple of quick ones very early. However coach John Bolagh replied with a goal and a penalty to square things at (Continued on page 5)

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## THIRD DIVISION

## UNI CLICK QUARTET

By BOB HOGG

UNIVERSITY sailed into a clear No. 4 berth position, when they convincingly downed MT. GRAVATT 4-0 last week-end.

After a slow start by both teams and with Mt. Gravatt looking more dangerous, the tempo gradually increased and it was to be Uni's fast winger Willie Arundel, with 20 minutes gone, who shot down the wing, around the defence and screwed the ball in with an almost impossible shot.

Uni were now gaining the play and just before half time Joe 'Flash' Chuma cut down the centre and with the Greens keeper out of position, shot from the backline around the near post for 2-0.

After Joe got his second goal early in the second period Mt. Gravatt seemed to spark up and a good move from full back Ken Slater to Gary Priddy to centre forward George Phillips, without Uni touching the ball, almost came off — in fact the ball went in the net — but was disallowed because George apparently had nudged it on a little with his 'dooks'.

Uni were not satisfied with three and neither was Flash Chuma, because, from the half way line he went through the lot and brought up a well deserved hat trick with a shot up under the bar.

Mt. Gravatt were not having a lucky day, Ken Slater was working well in defence as was Syd Maidment and although Jimmy Johnson and Gary Priddy looked dangerous at times — there just wasn't any finish.

University, with more enthusiasm and enterprise than their nearest rival for a berth in the semi finals (and you know who I mean) played well, considering their injury list.

Captain Ian Doherty played an inspiring game for his team mates to follow and Vigen Kumar, Mr. Ali and Keith Bimrose took the lead from him in defence, whilst up front Bob Bona was playing his usual scheming role.

With this sort of spirit Uni, you will make worthy opponents for the 'Gypsies' this week-end.

## GAP GRAB 2

GAP grabbed two points from WYNNUM in a fairly shaky old game at Walton Bridge last Saturday, with a 3-1 win.

Neither team played inspired football and when I left at half time Gap were leading 2-0.

Gap's first goal came after six minutes from a good long shot from the left wing by John Hammond and one minute from half time Ian Woods found himself in front of goals with the ball at his feet and nowhere else to put it — but in the goal.

Wynnum up to this stage, had several chances but poor finishing up front put paid to these.

Bit hard to assess any Wynnum potential from the part I saw, but it seemed they lacked a nucleus of experienced players to back up and encourage their youthful forward line made up of several under 18 players, including Errol and Warren Maher and Ken Grimley.

During the second half Gap's Graham Simpson got himself a goal and deserved it, because he was by far the most determined of the Gap eleven.

## TARINGA TWO

2-0 and two points to TARINGA when they tripped to the GOLD COAST last Saturday.

From all accounts this was a fairly rough old game, with injuries causing blokes to leave the field, the referee, who apparently doesn't need linesmen, taking quite a few notes in his little black book, and all in all a shambles for Gold Coast, with players arriving only just before the start — some with work stains still showing — and why not.

How many Brisbane teams could turn out for a Wednesday afternoon game — none I would say.

Congratulations are not due to the Federation in setting down a SATURDAY game for Gold Coast when it knows darn well that Saturday is a full working day down there — like Wednesday is up here.

Using the Queensland Cup as an excuse is not good enough — other games were played last Sunday — even at Coolangatta I believe.

Every team deserves a fair go — and I for one don't think Gold Coast was given the consideration they are due as members of Federation.

Crikey — I nearly forgot the game — briefly — Taringa controlled most of the first half, with young Kees Steen opening up the score.

Second half saw Gold Coast hammer away at the Blues and but for the excellent defence of Brian Ellingham and Clive Dinsdale, would most certainly have scored on several occasions.

Well into the second half Big Frank made the necessary moves to set up Trevor Davis for Taringa's second goal — Trevor earned this one for the tireless job he had been doing in playing link between defence and attack.

Congratulations to Coast for giving Taringa a run for their money — under the circumstances.

## FORREST OUTPOINT BARDON

FORREST practically assured themselves of 3rd Division status next season when they held BARDON to a 1-1 draw last week-end and brought themselves to 17 points on the table.

Bardon got away to a 1-0 lead 20 minutes from the start when Gordon Arrow-smith placed a neat right wing cross for Johnny Hulme to nudge home.

Forrest equalised right on half time when Zeljko Perlic ran down the centre and beat keeper 'Chops' Heath with a hard shot.

Going on the first half play, the second 45 should have brought on a feast of goals for the Bardon boys, but even with the wind advantage, they were totally inadequate to the occasion, continually muffing opportunities and anything that looked like a shot was well contained by excellent keeping from Janko Kovac.

Workers for Forrest were Zeljko, Nigel Beaback, Mato Ivanisevic and Mr. Hick at left full back.

For Bardon, very few, the Arrow, the Head, Uncle Gerry and out on the wing again was that young bloke, I found out his name — Greg Hogg — no wonder his face was familiar, I see it at breakfast every morning.

Shocking football Bardon — would not be surprised to see a few team changes for this week.

## REDCLIFFE REASSURED

REDCLIFFE reassured themselves of 3rd possie on the table, when they secured another two valuable points, in their narrow defeat of EASTS 2-1. (They're still looking for No. 2 possie.)

The first half saw Easts playing fast run away football, stretching the Redcliffe defence to the limit — with Brian Read, Jerry Schipper and especially 'our man' Priday, working overtime to subdue a very fast and youthful forward line.

The 'Rocket' Lockett playing at inside forward, was sadly missed in defence but after a settling period, Redcliffe's big Jerry started a bottler of a move, with three more Redcliffe players, cutting through the Easts defence, to find Wayne Williams bringing off No. 1.

Midfield play for Easts tightened up considerably and Mal Wild masterminded several moves, one of which paid off when, with good lead up work Greg McDonald boomed home the equaliser for half time 1-1.

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## WORLD SOCCER

## WORLD CUP NEWS

It is almost certain that all matches in the World Cup in Mexico next year will be played with a standardised black and white polka-dot ball.

In England, the ball is banned in several competitions, including the Football League, yet throughout the world polka-dot balls are used extensively.

The most popular ball used for top matches on the Continent is made in France. Its design is based on hexagonal panels and, although this method of construction is expensive, it is found the ball retains its spherical shape longer, at least two years with normal care.

Ophthalmic specialists say the spotted variety is easier on the eye. The direction and degree of spin is also much easier to follow.

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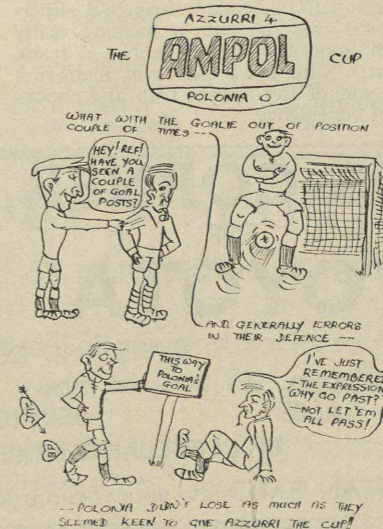
## U.K. SOCCER SCENE

Surprise of the week has been the transfer of Arsenal's Scottish International Ian Ure to Manchester United for \$160,000. Manchester's poor start to the season is undoubtedly behind this move.

Bristol City have turned down Wolverhampton's \$160,000 offer for star forward Chris Garland. Garland is in dispute with the club over wages.

Jimmy Greenhoff, B'hams England Under 23 International, has been transferred to Stoke City recently for \$200,000.

Bobby Finch, 21 year old Queens Park Rangers full back, has joined South African club Cape Town City.



Chris Crowe, former England forward, leaves Sydney club Auburn this week to return to the U.K. Crowe hopes to break back into English Soccer as soon as possible. Plymouth Argyle, off to a poor start in Division 3, are known to be interested.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Aston Villa, with seven victories, have won the F.A. Cup most times. Newcastle United and Blackburn Rovers have each won it six times.

By reaching last season's F.A. Cup semi-final, West Bromwich Albion equalled Aston Villa's record of 17 semi-final appearances.

Three players have scored three in a F.A. Cup Final. W. Townley (Blackburn Rovers) v. Sheffield Wed. 1890; I. Logan (Notts County) v. Bolton Wanderers 1894; S. Mortensen (Blackpool) v. Bolton 1953.

## 2nd DIVISION

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the half way mark. In the latter half Ritchie Giles scored for the visitors to give them a 3-2 lead, and the same player also converted a penalty for 4-2.

With less than 10 minutes to go it appeared Budapest had this one parcelled up, however a cunning goal by John Oliver and a second goal by Jim Simpson and both teams had to be content with split points at 4-4.

The dropped point does not have a great bearing on the final four as Mitchelton are now third, one point ahead of Annerley, and two in front of Budapest.

Annerley are in the box seat for a berth as it is not anticipated they will drop a point against the bottom two teams in their remaining matches. However Budapest and Mitchelton will hold the key to the situation in their match this week-end.

On face value Budapest must win to be any chance whereas a draw would almost ensure the greens the right to play.

## VIC'S PICKS

Predictions for next week. Annerley should have too much artillery for points desperate Gap. Easts will need plenty of know-how to match the magic of Latrobes in their present form. The Red Legs.

Newmarket at home also hungry for points could snatch one off the Dnipro boys. This could also happen in the other northside match between Budapest and Mitchelton. Willowburn could turn the tables on South Coast this time round, and Wynnum must surely take Toowong.

# HOLLANDIA TO HUSH



## Hollandia to hush Cup winners

By Bruce Waddell

After this week-end I predict that Hollandia and Hellenic will continue their neck and neck premiership battle by both getting through this round unscathed.

Hellenic should be able to account for Polonia in their match, and sticking to my own job, I'll go for Hollandia to down the Ampol Cup winners.

Hollandia are still plagued with injuries and absentees, and any team that has had to overcome these adversaries and still remain on top has got to be respected.

McGuckin and Voutilainen will be sorely missed, but this can be overcome to some extent by moving Gary Wilkins up in attack, where he crashed in two great goals a fortnight ago.

Ernie Deavin is playing well on the wing and has a good partner in Alan Villers on the left flank.

Midfield strength should be restored if Darryl Wilkins and Hans Peterson have been able to regain fitness after their fortnight's holiday.

Much will again depend on the defence of Peter Steen, Ben Mollee and John van Klaveren backed up by Adelaide reserve Kim Renfers.

Azzurri will understandably be cock-a-hoop after last Sunday and obviously will be no pushover. One thing's for sure, they'll get a lot more tougher opposition at Bundamba than they did at the Ekka.

Mick Anthony came back with a vengeance and should be a danger man in constructive work, with Ian Johnston and David Keen.

Attacking wing halves Dave Sargent and Matt Hosie will probably be retained with Nielson again reliable in the centre half spot.

Dave Neal had a very quiet day on Sunday but could require more tackling from Pinti and Dyson this week-end.

This one should have another record Bundamba crowd, which I reckon will see the Hollandia boys remain in the premier position.

Referee: Vince Dobinson.

<b>HOLLANDIA</b>	<b>AZZURRI</b>
1. K. Renfers	1. D. Neal
2. G. Wilkins	2. C. Dyson
3. P. Steen	3. B. Pinti
4. B. Mollee	4. M. Hosie
5. J. van Klaveren	5. P. Nielson
6. H. Peterson	6. D. Sargent
7. D. Wilkins	7. G. Schoendorfer
8. E. Deavin	8. W. Haigh
9. H. Montgomery	9. D. Keen
10. R. Webb	10. M. Anthony
11. A. Villers	11. I. Johnston



## Hellenic's big chance

By Ron Mitchell

Hellenic will take the field at Carina on Sunday against Polonia knowing they have a chance of taking over the top spot on the points table from Hollandia.

This is because Hollandia (who like Hellenic have gained 22 points from their 16 premiership matches and are the competition leaders through a superior goal average) will be meeting really tough opposition from the No. 3 team, Azzurri, who are fresh from their first ever win of the Ampol Cup and chockful of confidence.

And Hellenic's confidence must have skyrocketed by the poor display of Polonia against Azzurri in the Cup final on Sunday, which followed a depressing Polonia performance against Coalstars the week before in the premiership series.

Hellenic have not been beaten since May 31, and the fact that the team that beat them that day was Polonia, is not worrying Hellenic one little bit whenever they think of Sunday's game, and "Isn't that all the time?"

Hellenic should come up fresh on Sunday after a break of two weeks, which may be in sharp contrast to Polonia who looked jaded in the last two matches.

Polonia seem to have a defensive complex lately. Did you notice the enormous gap between the Polonia defence and their forward line last match? And what about the wild kicking and lack of steadiness of the defence under pressure?

Polonia missed Alan James in mid-field last match and he will be out again against Hellenic on Sunday.

Polonia are in fourth place by a better goal average over Thistle, who, like Polonia have scored 18 points, and with Thistle a likely chance against the up-and-down Merton on Sunday, a win is just as much for Polonia as for Hellenic.

Andy Tsoumbaras, Bill Fagan and Allan May (if he is fit) supported by Grahame McMillan (still one of our best) and Matt Jackson, who has hit top form at a good time, look certain to be a big worry to the Polonia defence.

George Whitaker, Derek Attwood and Ed Musial should be called on to do plenty of tackling for Polonia and will need to clear their lines with more purpose than they have shown recently.

The Polonia attack lacks everything lately, and I think positional changes throughout the entire team may be in the selectors' minds.

# CUP WINNERS

## GERMANIA SHOULD SURVIVE

By Bruce Waddell

Germania have only to win on Sunday against Oxley United and they would be relegated to the second division next season.

Oxley have been on the brink of departure for the last three years and have shown nothing to raise their supporters' hopes towards the end of this season. Stan Sander will yell his tonsils out at the Germania men on Sunday but his defence should give him few worries. Bob and Bill Maxton are in form with Don Bowers and the relative newcomer Kev Swindells.

He has Ken Willett to command the middle and give plenty of support to a pretty weak forward line. Hopes up front rely on winger Mel Swindells, Ziggy Wehner and maybe John Hughes.

Germania's attack, is about on a par with Oxley's at present, where the main hope of success again rests on the broad shoulders of Trevor Payne.

Oxley may benefit yet from an improved showing by Bob Dobinson and Jock Taylor to give Payne support.

In the middle, Eddie Hillier and Rex Evans are about the most consistent along with tall centre half Roy Scott.

The last line of defence is in the capable hands of young goalkeeper John Pizzev.

Because of the desperate situation existing, this match should be another beauty. It's a toss the coin job — and I've gone for Germania.

Referee: Bob Armstrong.

<b>Germania</b>	<b>OXLEY</b>
1. S. Sander	1. J. Pizzev
2. W. Maxton	2. K. Brecht
3. D. Bowers	3. L. Jones
4. K. Swindells	4. R. Evans
5. R. Maxton	5. R. Scott
6. G. Keddie	6. E. Hillier
7. L. Willett	7. R. Dobinson
8. J. Hughes	8. J. Taylor
N. Large	9. T. Payne
10. Z. Wehner	10. B. Bjorkelund
11. M. Swindells	11. N. Peut

One thing is certain. Polonia, who have played some good Soccer to stay in the top four and to reach the Queensland Cup final, must improve.

Hellenic must be favoured to win, but the result may be closer than we think. Referee: Bernie Troy.

<b>Hellenic</b>	<b>POLONIA</b>
1. A. McLean	1. F. Romanowski
2. C. Petridis	2. E. Musial
3. C. Matters	3. D. Attwood
4. M. Papisavas	4. D. Robson
5. G. Mackie	5. G. Whittaker
6. M. Jackson	6. A. Lowndes
7. A. May	7. R. Danford
8. A. Murtagh	8. O. Monaghan
9. B. Fagan	9. R. Clark
10. A. Tsoumbaras	10. S. Tucker
11. G. McMillan	11. W. Walker



These three will be battling over the week-end to keep their teams on the top of the ladder. (Left) Hollandia's Kim Renfers and Gary Wilkins will face Azzurri while (right) Hellenic's Graham McMillan will be after a couple against Polonia.



## Coalstars v. St. Helens

By Harry Mournay

In the first round local Derby clash between St. Helens and Coalstars, Saints started odds-on favourites, but not so on Saturday at Bundamba.

The Blue and Reds have improved out of sight with a win over Polonia and a draw with Azzurri in recent weeks.

Lance Petie in a midfield job has been seen to advantage lately and his experience, supported by Frank Johnston and Brad Ahern is giving the forwards every chance to get goals.

Young Alec Cummings has impressed with some fine displays and with State player Ian Davis, Rob Hughes, Ross Hallett and Wal Kitching will give Saints defence a busy afternoon.

But Saints attack of Col Kitching, Lex Gibb, John Haswell and Bruce Dobbie have the speed and experience to severely test Barry Schreiweis and Barry Burren and company.

Saints should have a slight edge in midfield with Cliff Sander and Brian Vogler still giving good service.

I feel that Mark Walker, Greg Bell, Bob Inskip and Glen McKnead are a solid defence team and will contain the improved Coalstars attack.

Therefore I will forecast another draw which will leave the decision of who's the better team until next season.

Referee: Ken Lennon.

<b>Coalstars</b>	<b>St. Helens</b>
1. B. Schreiweis	1. M. Walker
2. B. Burren	2. G. Bell
3. J. Bell	3. R. Inskip
4. B. Payne	4. B. Dobbie
5. B. Ahearn	5. B. Vogler
6. F. Johnston	6. C. Sander
7. R. Hughes	7. C. Kitching
8. A. Cumming	8. J. Haswell
9. W. Kitching	9. R. Dann
10. R. Hallett	10. L. Gibb
11. I. Davis	11. J. Verrall



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**THISTLE FOR FINAL FOUR**

By Ron Mitchell

The struggle for fourth place on the points table will intensify this week-end with Polonia, Grange Thistle and St. Helens each having a chance of securing this last position in the final four for the semi-finals.

Polonia and Thistle are on 18 points with Polonia placed fourth and Thistle fifth through goal averages. But St. Helens are well in it with 17 points and Polonia and Thistle no doubt are hoping they might even make third place as the No. 2 team Azzurri is only one point ahead on 19 points.

Once upon a time, we used to refer to Oxley as the "Yo-yo team" but now this mantle has fallen on Merton, whose form varies from week to week.

Thistle's last two matches resulted in a draw with St. Helens and a 2-1 win over Polonia, while Merton defeated Oxley 4-1 last match which followed defeats by Germania and St. Helens.

The Thistle defence of goalkeeper Keith Rigby and Jeff Cornford, 'Bluey' Smith, Barry Dann and Barry Allison, is capable of jolting most attacks and Merton, despite their repeated breakthroughs against Oxley last match, may find openings to the Thistle goal of the rare variety.

Tom Barber, Eric Pattison, Ron Millman and Trevor Jones who filled the forward bill last match often showed unsteadiness when in scoring positions and Thistle are certain to harass the Merton forwards relentlessly.

Geoff Green and Harry Stewart have been consistent in the Merton midfield and the Thistle forwards probably John McDonald, Ritchie Smith, Vic Wyer and Ken McLean, may have to make the most of their scoring chances which may be limited on Sunday.

Gary Catchpole's steadiness has been a feature of Merton's recent matches, and with good support from Col Bain and Kev Melville and goalkeeper Ross Melville, Merton counter attacks should make the match a lively and interesting one.

Although Merton are out of the premiership race, they will make Thistle go all-out for victory and the result

could be a narrow win only. I forecast Thistle to take out the two points.

Referee: George Harrison.

<b>THISTLE</b>	<b>MERTON</b>
1. K. Rigby	1. R. Melville
2. A. Smith	2. H. Stewart
3. B. Dann	3. K. Melville
4. J. Cornford	4. G. Green
5. B. Allison	5. G. Catchpole
6. M. Culhana	6. J. Gordon
7. P. Clemitson	7. T. Jones
8. J. McDonald	8. T. Barber
9. K. McLean	9. E. Pattison
10. V. Wyer	10. T. Catchpole
11. R. Smith	11. R. Millman



*These two should provide a battle royal at Heath Park on Sunday when Thistle strive for points to reach the final four. At their previous meeting Thistle centre half Barry Dann (right) got the better of Merton centre forward Eric Pattison in this mid-field duel.*

**Queensland Fight Back**

By KEV MILMOE

**Seven minutes from the whistle last Saturday at Hindmarsh Stadium, and South Australia had two goals in the net and the small Queensland group huddled on the side line benches and watched Ian Johnston put the ball on the kick-off spot. The opposition had started with a 'Bang'.**

We had faced a one goal deficit in the earlier clash in Brisbane, but two goals up on their home ground in front of a wildly par crowd was a big hurdle to tackle.

But Queensland was to come back into the game to slowly dominate the first half play from the 20th minute. Len Willett was slowly capturing leadership in the middle, sewing the threads of a magnificent personal effort.

A 20 yard drive by Ritchie Smith soared over the cross-bar and Ian Davis was now proving his worth on the left flank and scavengers Ron Millman and Eddie Carrigan were giving Ian Johnston his head and the charging goalkeeper put a Johnston shot inches wide of the post.

Four minutes later Johnno had put us on the board, and we had started to come back, and were to see Ian Davis reap a well merited goal and an unfortunate cross goal ball from Smith, which would have given us the lead, hit the post the wrong way.

We had taken the honours in the first half.

The game settled down to a tough defensive battle in the second half with a few of our boys starting to feel the nervous strain of the trip.

The South Australian captain Billy Birch came repeatedly into the picture on the right side and give the ever-game Derek Attwood a pasting that resulted in the winning goal of the match.

Owen Monaghan replaced Smith at the breather, while Gary Wilkins, who had his most unhappiest game ever, was pulled off after 20 minutes of the second half, giving Harry Stewart his second cap for Queensland.

A genuine crowd pleaser of a game that squared the series one-all and six goals apiece.

Footnote — Q.S.F. President Bill Waddell stated that the game was a beauty and did much to promote the code in both States and further the prospects of future inter-State clashes.



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4th DIVISION

# Annerley are the Champions

by Ken O'Donnell

The Ekibins boys' 3-2 win over Latrobe last week-end make them the undisputed leaders in the Fourth Division, and their promotion to the Third Division is a foregone conclusion.



The game was played at the Exhibition Ground and right from the start the Annerley youngsters pressured Lats., and not long after the start of the game Garth Wilson headed a ball across to Andy Mollison, who in turn headed it neatly into Lats. net to open the account. It was some time before another goal was forthcoming, but Lats. got back into the game when indecision by the Annerley backs, allowed the boys in red to equalise.

However just before lemon time, Annerley were awarded a penalty kick, which Graham Regan converted, to make the half time score 2-1.

The second half was played at a much slower pace, due in the main to the somewhat oppressive heat, and although Annerley's David Ritchie saw at least three good shots go unrewarded, the game was very even until five minutes from full time, when Latrobe went in to get the equaliser.

Annerley were stung back into action, and whilst the ref. had the whistle in his mouth to blow full time, Graham Ritchie belted in a beautiful cross, and Russ Walker was on the spot, and put it past the keeper to clinch the game for Annerley.

With only two games to go and seven points in front, Annerley just can't be beaten. Well done!

## Taringa and Mitchelton halve the apple

This game resulted in a 1-1 draw and I think that only for the efforts of Jim

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Dinsdale, Taringa's goalkeeper, Taringa might have been in trouble.

The game started at the rate of knots, with both sides attacking, but whilst the Mitchie forwards were always dangerous, the Taringa forwards found it hard to get by Geoff Lincoln, Paul Tedman, Keith Barlow and Neil Griffiths.

In the first half Mitchie had the wind at their back, and the downhill run, and once again their supporters were disappointed to see the ball go over, go round, or into the safe hands of keeper Dinsdale.

Taringa's Hassen Heuser played well in the defence in the first stanza, and Robert Speare was always trying to penetrate, whilst in the second half, Col Burn was prominent in breaking up the Mitchie's attacks.

After a scoreless first half, the teams locked horns again, and it was not long before Johnny Smith swung a beautiful cross to Ray Garland, who practically carried it into the net to post the first goal in Mitchelton's favour. Not to be outdone Taringa pressured the Mitchelton line and eventually the score was equalised when a hot shot from the right wing was deflected by keeper Mick Carter, but Peter Wells following through on the left side, placed it into the net, and the last whistle went with the score standing at 1-1.

Although the points were shared, I think Taringa were the luckier of the two teams. One thing jarred this game. The referee, not once, but on several occasions, held up play whilst he lectured players, for several minutes at a time, on their vocal disapproval of his refereeing, when in the opinions of myself and a lot of other spectators, the vocal disapproval stemmed directly from obviously bad decisions on his part.

## Newspapers in the print again

Jim Gilbert took his boys from the Gap across to Fairfield last Sunday to take on the unpredictable Newspaper boys, but failed to get a mention from the paper boys, in what was a scrappy game with numerous missed chances by both sides.

Newspapers opened the scoring and three goals later, both teams left the field for lemons, with the score even steven at 2-2. Ian Woods notched both goals the Gap recorded, and after a disjointed second half, in which Jim Gilbert wasted a lot of vocal encouragement, Newspapers whacked in another two goals, to put the issue beyond doubt and the final score 4-2.

## University down to Budapest Grovelly

The game produced patches of good football, with play flowing from end to end and both sides taking and missing chances. University had the opportunity to hit the front midway through the first half, but a penalty taken by Mike Newman was mis-cued and trickled into the hands of the relieved Budapest goalkeeper, and the half way mark was reached with many near misses but no goals.

Budapest had more of the game after the interval, and when two of Uni's backs collided, the ball rolled to Budapest's inside forward, who drove it from the 18 yard line. University made many good moves, but they broke down in front of the net. Another well taken goal and Budapest consolidated their position, at 2-0.

Uni's centre half Bill Horton held the defence together, Mike Newman in spite of his missed penalty, still played well, and Harry Drakes and Stan Kozakowski got through a lot of work.

## 5th Division

### TOOWONG K.O. OLYMPIC

TOOWONG upset the predictions somewhat when they pulled off a 3-2 win over the favoured OLYMPIC team last Saturday.

Leading 1-0 at half time, Toowong scored when Graeme Wheeler snapped up a mishandled ball by Olympic's keeper and put it away 20 minutes after the start.

Olympic had their chances, including a penalty, but they were not to come good until early in the second half when they led 2-1 from two smart goals by Terry Makradakis.

Pressure was on from Olympic now and Toowong switched a few positions to counteract, this paid off when 15 minutes from the end Noel Hewitt lofted a long high ball and again Graeme Wheeler put away a goal from the bounce misjudgment.

Both teams were now playing for two points and with only minutes left Toowong's Les Hewitt curled up a beautiful corner on to David Gentle's head, which he put away for the 3-2 win.

Toowong keeper Dick Gowty played a blinder. Col Bingham in midfield and Geoff Wade did their share to break down the Olympic attack.

Olympic from this game and other re-

cent results, look as though they could do with a team reshuffle, or something. I look forward to seeing a better standard at Bowman Park this week — and perhaps meeting the celebrated go-go squad at long last.

Referee D.K. was O.K.

## BARDON SNEAK HOME

BARDON enhanced their very slim chances of making the semi-final four with a 1-0 win over a patched up TARINGA side.

This game had its lively moments but neither side did much in the first half, so 0-0 after 45 minutes was not unexpected.

Taringa boosted their side with two U16 lads, Alan Armitage and Robby Stinson, but even with this added youth Bardon broke through after 15 minutes.

Logan Miller did the trick for Bardon with a nice shot.

For Bardon, the defence of Richie Ellis and Jock Taylor made sure Taringa were not going to take the points.

## RIDGE RATTLE REDCLIFFE

Premiership leaders, by two clear points, ACACIA RIDGE, proved the far superior side in their defeat of REDCLIFFE to the tune of 6-2.

The first half had hardly started when Ridge found the net and they rattled home three more goals before oranges.

The Blues were playing good, intelligent football and only on occasions did the Redcliffe forwards break away, however their overall teamwork was poor.

Second half was a different story however, and although four goals down the Redcliffe side started to play footie — their moves had purpose and finish and it was not long before Duncan Pitkeathley found the net from a free kick.

Another good move shortly after saw Redcliffe's Pete Smith send home another 'special', to put the Reds back in the picture.

The Ridge lads at this stage had been having a spell — with four under their belt — but soon realised they were losing their grip on the game.

To put the game beyond doubt, the Blues got to it and put two more away before the final bell.

For Redcliffe, alongside young, lion-hearted keeper Ray Salisbury — Chris Manley, Eric McCrea and Donny Bailey worked hard in defence.

For the victors — Johnny Williams got his usual hat trick and Normie Hunter only managed to get two — shame. Apart from the goal scorers, the goal-makers were Jimmy Bentley and Chris Modlin with keeper Mike Lyons playing a beauty.

## MT. GRAVATT TOSS ANNERLEY FOR A POINT

MT. GRAVATT allowed ANNERLEY to come from behind and draw 3-3 when they met last week.

# Craven Filter Award



Looks like a full house for this week's award, as usual the two men circled win their complimentary packs of Craven Filter cigarettes.

The gent on the right seems to be getting his money's worth watching the Queensland Cup Final at the Exhibition Ground last Sunday.

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## TIPSTER'S CORNER

	A Bevin	A. Gibb	I. Brusasco	K. Milmoe	R. Mitchell	J. Steel	B. Waddell	R. Hogg	Most Favoured
Coalstars v. St. Helens	2	2	1	2	2	2	1	1	2
Gr. Thistle v. Merton	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hellenic v. Polonia	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hollandia v. Azzurri	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	2
Germania v. Oxley	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Progressive Points: Brusasco 51, Milmoe 51, Mitchell 48, Steel 46, Hogg 45, Bevan 44, Waddell 43, Gibb 40.									

Rod Strugar opened the account for the Greens with a high shot, and they went further ahead when John Quinn passed to Mike Martin who set up Keith Forrest for No. 2.

Just before the tea break Annerley scrambled one in for 2-1.

Mt. Gravatt's Mike Martin leaned heavily on the ball early in the second half and had Annerley down 3-1 with his shot — only to see the Blues make a comeback with 12 minutes left in the game — and pop in two more for the draw. For the Greens credit goes to Stewart Meredith for an outstanding game in the defence department.

## Predictions . . .

Bardon over Olympic.  
N/Postal down to Redcliffe.  
Acacia Ridge for sure against Taringa.

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**1st DIVISION**  
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6—**  
 St. Helens v. Hellenic (Ebbw Vale)  
 Azzurri v. Germania (Spencer)  
**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7—**  
 Oxley v. Gr. Thistle (Dunlop)  
 Merton v. Coalstars (Heath)  
 Polonia v. Hollandia (Prentice)

**2nd DIVISION**  
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6—**  
 Toowong v. Annerley (Dunmore)  
**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7—**  
 Gap v. Easts (Gap)  
 Latrobe v. New Postal (Bowman)  
 Dnipro v. Budapest (Raymond)  
 Mitchelton v. South Coast (M'ton)  
 Willowburn v. Wynnum (T'mba)

**3rd DIVISION**  
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6—**  
 Wynnum v. Bardon (Maramba)  
 Forrest v. Taringa (Fairfield)  
**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7—**  
 Gap v. Easts (Gap)\*  
 Redcliffe v. Mt. Gravatt (R'cliffe)  
 Gold Coast v. Redlands (G. Coast)  
 University v. Bye

**4th DIVISION**  
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6—**  
 Gap v. Annerley (Gap)  
**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7—**  
 Newspapers v. Thistle (Fairfield)  
 Latrobe v. Taringa (Bowman)\*  
 Dnipro v. Budapest (Raymond)\*  
 Mitchelton v. South Coast (M'ton)\*  
 University v. Wynnum (Uni.)\*

**5th DIVISION**  
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6—**  
 Toowong v. Bardon (Dunmore)\*  
 Olympic v. Acacia Ridge (Dutton)  
 Taringa v. New Postal (Taringa)  
**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7—**  
 Redcliffe v. Mt. Gravatt (R'cliffe)\*  
 Gold Coast v. Redlands (G. Coast)\*  
 Annerley v. Bye

**6th DIVISION**  
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6—**  
 Redlands v. Teachers (Cleveland)  
 Pine Rivers v. Newspapers (S'pine)  
 Annerley v. Forrest (Ekibin)  
**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7—**  
 Zillmere A v. Acacia R. (Zillmere)  
 Coolangatta v. Darra (Goodwin)  
 Zillmere B v. Park Rangers (Z'mere)\*

**POINTS TABLES**

**FIRST DIVISION**

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt.
Hollandia	16	9	4	3	49	19	22
Hellenic	16	9	4	3	38	28	22
Azzurri	16	8	3	5	35	23	19
Polonia	16	8	2	6	34	26	18
Thistle	16	8	2	6	28	28	18
St. Helens	16	5	7	4	29	24	17
Merton	16	6	3	7	26	34	15
Coalstars	16	5	2	9	29	35	12
Germania	16	4	1	11	17	42	9
Oxley	16	3	2	11	18	44	8

**RESERVE DIVISION**

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt.
Coalstars	16	12	2	2	59	17	26
St. Helens	16	10	4	2	57	25	24
Merton	15	10	1	4	51	24	21
Hellenic	16	7	4	5	38	35	18
Thistle	16	7	3	6	36	36	17
Polonia	16	6	5	5	28	34	17
Germania	16	6	3	7	27	39	15
Azzurri	15	3	2	10	27	39	8
Oxley	16	3	—	13	19	54	6
Hollandia	16	2	2	12	18	57	6

**SECOND DIVISION**

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt.
Latrobe	20	18	1	1	107	17	37
Wynnum	19	15	1	3	84	19	31
Mitchelton	20	13	2	5	57	37	28
Annerley	20	12	3	5	47	28	27
Budapest	20	12	2	6	63	29	26
Dnipro	20	8	5	7	39	35	21
Easts	20	7	4	9	54	38	18
Willowburn	19	6	4	10	36	44	16
South Coast	20	6	2	12	43	79	14
New Postal	20	—	4	2	14	29	67
Gap	20	3	2	15	26	73	8
Toowong	20	—	1	19	9	118	1

**THIRD DIVISION**

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt.
Taringa	20	14	3	3	45	21	31
Redlands	20	13	4	3	58	24	30
Redcliffe	20	12	3	5	52	35	27
University	20	10	5	5	44	35	25
Bardon	20	8	8	4	36	30	24
Gold Coast	19	8	5	6	47	45	21
Mt. Gravatt	20	9	1	10	49	38	19
Gap	19	7	3	9	28	48	17
Forrest	20	7	3	10	28	53	17
Wynnum	20	6	2	12	41	61	14
Easts	20	6	1	13	31	69	13

**FOURTH DIVISION**

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt.
Annerley	20	19	—	1	91	14	38
Taringa	20	14	3	3	58	29	31
Latrobe	19	15	—	4	91	30	30
Mitchelton	20	13	2	5	81	33	28
Dnipro	20	11	3	6	43	44	25
Budapest	20	10	1	9	70	65	21
Newspapers	20	9	2	9	59	55	20
Gap	20	5	3	12	33	74	13
South Coast	20	6	—	14	50	67	12
Thistle	20	4	2	14	33	79	10
University	19	3	1	15	20	57	7
Wynnum	20	2	1	17	26	108	5

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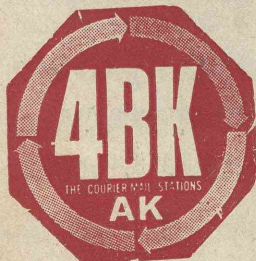
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