

# GO SOCCER



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**NIGEL  
REHBOCK**

**DIFFERENT MATCH**  
- Merton defender Graham Meagher (right) appears to be getting ready to move in on Hellenic centre forward Nigel Rehbock during a recent match at Perry Park. But they won't get a chance to clash this week-end, as Rehbock will be in action in the early match of Sunday's double-header against Thistle while Meagher will be busy helping to contain the Azzurri forwards in the late match at 3 o'clock.



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# FEATURE PAGE -

## 'GOAL OF THE WEEK WINNERS'

### ON CHANNEL O's SOCCER CLUB

1. Andy Tsoumbaras, Hellenic (v. St. Helens, 16.4).
2. John Hudson, Bardon (v. Thistle, 23.4).
3. Steve Pollard, Thistle (v. Coalstars, 29.4).
4. Ian Young, Bardon (v. Hellenic, 7.5).
5. Billy Fagan, Hellenic (v. Coalstars, 28.5).
6. Jim Ancliffe Thistle (v. Hollandia, 3.6).
7. Lex Gibb, St. Helens (v. Merton, 10.6).
8. Darryl Wilkins, Hollandia (v. Hellenic, 18.6).

#### ANSWERS TO QUIZ

1. Syd Tucker.
2. Mick Lisgos.
3. Ten (they had used up their replacements when Piper went off).
4. Rob Brown.
5. Frank Johnston.
6. Charlton Van Dyke.
7. None.
8. Des Miles, John Gale.
9. Tony Murtagh.
10. Laslo Koraknai.

#### WHAT DID YOU NOTICE? (At Perry Park last week-end)

1. Who was reserve goalkeeper for Polonia's match against Coalstars on Saturday?
2. Name the young Polonia winger who is a son of a Queensland Junior Soccer Federation official?
3. How many men did Polonia finish the match with?
4. Who wore No. 4 jersey for Coalstars?
5. Who was the regular player missing from the Coalstars backline?
6. Who replaced Richie Wilson in the Hollandia side on Sunday and scored two goals?
7. How many changes did Hellenic make during the match?
8. Who were the linesmen for Sunday's match?
9. Which Hellenic player wore wristbands?
10. Whose shot did Gordon Mackie handle to give Hollandia their penalty?

#### QUOTES OF THE WEEK

Following Darryl Wilkins' goal for Hollandia. "That must be the goal of the season - until of course Oxley come up with a better one". - Tony Lowndes.

"Did you say nice things about me on the telly?" - Referee Dave Nugent.

"Bardon played badly, they deserved to lose." - Bob Buchanan.

"I reckon that's done them the world of good". - Mike Penklis after Hellenic's defeat.

"I'm an official from Queensland, I've come 600 miles and I'm ----well going through".  
George Jamieson after being refused entry to Santos-Australia match.

"That one's so high it's a Godbotherer."  
- Ian Brusasco.

#### NEXT WEEK'S FIXTURES

Saturday, July 1 -  
Hellenic v. Oxley (Perry Park, 3.00)  
Thistle v. Polonia (Lanham Park, 2.45)  
Sunday, July 2 -  
Merton v. Bardon (Perry Park, 3.00)  
Hollandia v. St. Helens (Richlands, 2.45)  
Coalstars v. Azzurri (Bundamba, 2.45)

### CROSSBAR

The answer to each of the six clues below is a number. Cross out the letters in the squares which also contain any of these numbers. The letters which are left will spell the name of an English 3rd Division club. (Reading from left to right and progressing downwards).

3	5	4	2	6
L	B	E	B	A
2	1	18	3	8
K	O	R	S	I
7	6	16	7	4
G	T	V	H	K
4	3	2	5	1
W	U	P	T	N
1	18	8	16	6
M	O	N	E	Y

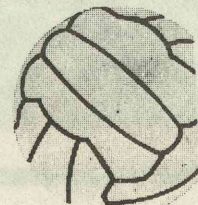
1. Arsenal have now won the F.A. Cup - times.
2. Stranraer are in Division - of the Scottish Football League.
3. The Football Association celebrated its Centenary in 19-3.
4. The ball used in League soccer must weigh between 14 and - ounces.
5. Halifax are in Division - of the Football League.
6. The number of League points obtained by each team in a drawn game.

#### ANSWER:

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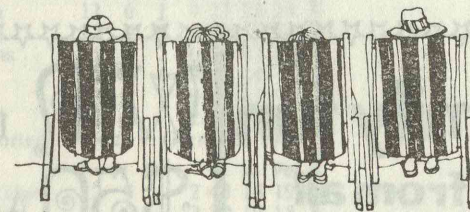
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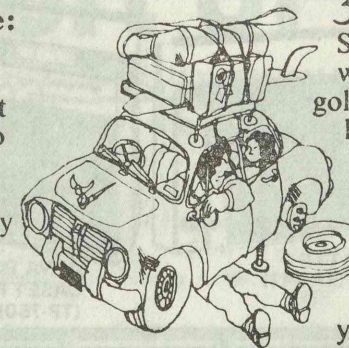


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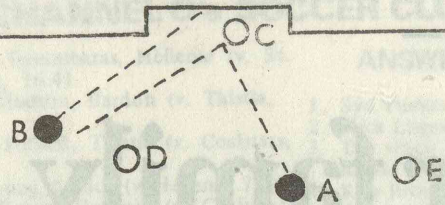


# WISE OR OTHERWISE OFFSIDE DECISIONS

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\* Continued next week.

Diagram 1. - NOT OFF-SIDE



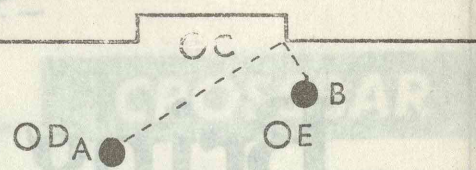
Shot at goal returned by goalkeeper

A shoots at goal. The ball is played out by C but B obtains possession and scores. B was in front of the ball and did not have two opponents between him and the goal-line when the ball was played by A, but he is not off-side because the ball has been last played by an opponent C.

Often spectators (and players) have voiced their wrath at offside signals indicated by linesmen and decision by Referee, especially when they are not in a correct position to do so, whilst the match officials are.

In order to clarify what is repeatedly considered a controversial decision in the eyes of spectators, players and match commentators, I have this week given you easy to follow illustrations in diagram form, and also explanatory notes on "offside incidents" which may give rise to doubt depending mainly on your view of play and your knowledge of the Laws of the game.

Diagram 2. - OFF-SIDE

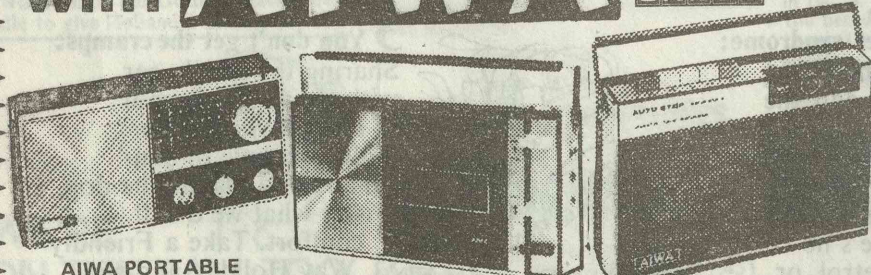


Ball rebounding from goal-posts or cross-bar.

A shoots for goal and the ball rebounds from the goal-post into play. B secures the ball and scores. B is off-side because the ball is last played by A, a player of his own side, and when A played it B was in front of the ball and did not have two opponents between him and the goal-line.

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Mitchelton	11	6	4	1	37	17	16
Mt. Gravatt	10	7	1	2	21	10	15
Gap	12	6	2	4	22	18	14
Annerley	12	6	2	4	21	25	14
Taringa	10	6	1	3	32	20	13
Wynnum	10	5	2	3	23	14	12
Germania	11	4	3	4	19	17	11
Newmarket	10	3	3	4	18	20	9
Merton	11	4	1	6	13	16	9
Budapest	12	3	1	8	19	35	7
Souths	11	2	2	7	16	26	6
Hellenic	10	2	-	8	10	33	4

2B DIV.	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Bardon	12	8	1	3	42	20	17
Redcliffe	11	8	1	2	29	18	17
Azzurri	11	7	2	2	33	24	16
Gold Coast	10	7	1	2	42	16	15
Coalstars	11	6	1	4	43	27	13
University	10	4	2	4	23	24	10
Redlands	11	5	-	6	24	37	10
Thistle	10	4	1	5	25	24	9
Polonia	10	4	1	5	12	26	9
Dnipro	10	3	-	7	18	29	6
Hollandia	10	1	1	8	14	34	3
Merton	10	-	1	9	15	41	1

2C DIV.	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Oxley	11	9	-	2	48	16	18
Olympic	10	8	1	1	40	10	17
Fairfield	11	8	1	2	51	19	17
Mitchelton	12	6	2	4	47	25	14
Annerley	11	6	2	3	36	23	14
Germania	10	5	3	2	26	15	13
Wynnum	11	6	1	4	27	25	13
Gap	12	4	3	5	23	19	11
St. Helens	11	3	2	6	29	41	8
Bardon	11	2	1	8	16	44	5
Taringa	12	1	2	9	23	41	4
Budapest	12	-	-	12	6	94	0
Not Reported:-	Oxley v. Germania	17/6					

3A DIV.	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Acacia Ridge	12	9	1	2	48	16	19
North Star	11	9	-	2	39	19	18
Toowong	11	7	1	3	30	18	15
Redcliffe	10	6	2	2	24	13	14
Park Rangers	11	6	2	3	31	27	14
Souths	12	6	-	6	24	30	12
Dnipro	11	6	-	5	21	27	12
Pine Rivers	11	4	3	4	28	26	11
Annerley	11	3	1	7	23	31	7
Thistle	11	2	2	7	20	29	6
Newmarket	11	1	4	6	16	28	6
Gap	12	1	-	11	8	39	2
Not Reported:-	Park Rangers v. Redcliffe	10/6.					

3B DIV.	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
St. Albans	11	10	-	1	46	5	20
Darra	12	10	-	2	54	13	20
Brighton	11	7	2	2	46	18	16
Booval	12	8	-	4	35	21	16
Mt. Gravatt	12	7	1	4	35	19	15
University	12	7	-	5	32	29	14
Valley	11	6	1	4	24	21	13
Toowong	11	4	-	7	23	47	8
Redlands	12	4	-	8	22	52	8
Taringa	11	3	-	8	19	45	6
Annerley	11	1	-	10	6	72	2

3C DIV.	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
New Farm	12	12	-	-	86	6	24
Gold Coast	11	8	2	1	20	10	18
Irish	10	8	-	2	43	10	16
Budapest	9	6	-	3	26	30	12
Nerang	9	5	1	3	29	14	11
North Star	10	4	2	4	33	30	10

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4TH DIV.	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Mitchelton	11	4	-	7	29	31	8
Fairfield	11	3	1	7	30	64	7
University	8	3	-	5	26	21	6
Park Rangers	11	2	2	7	23	59	6
Kedron Teachers	10	1	2	7	20	54	4
Mt. Gravatt	9	-	-	9	4	40	0
Not Reported:-	Nerang v. Mt. Gravatt	18/6.					

COLTS DIV.	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
St. Helens	11	10	-	1	71	11	20
Hollandia	10	8	2	-	53	11	18
Oxley	12	7	2	3	40	30	16
Annerley	10	7	-	3	29	17	14
Germania	10	4	5	1	31	13	13
Mt. Gravatt	11	6	1	4	26	16	13
Pine Rivers	12	4	2	6	26	46	10
Azzurri	10	4	1	5	29	18	9
Logan	11	4	1	6	30	32	9
Wynnum	11	4	1	6	30	34	9
Souths	11	4	1	6	22	28	9
Mitchelton	10	3	2	5	28	37	8
Thistle	10	1	-	9	12	43	2
Darra	11	-	-	11	11	100	0
Not Reported:-	St. Helens v. Azzurri	3/6.					
	Mt. Gravatt v. Mitchelton	17/6.					



# FIRST DIVISION PAGES

## BARDON v. OXLEY (Saturday, Perry Park, 3.00) By Bob Buchanan.

"Oxley fear no one". This was Tony Lowndes statement to me last week, and after the teams display against Thistle he has every reason to say this. They are all playing well as a team, which gets them half way there, and at last the forwards are finding the way to goal.

Jacky Cormack is showing the form of a class winger creating trouble whenever he gets the ball, though he may be pushed a bit more this week.

In Bob Dobinson and Paul Yeuell they have a twosome well worth watching and Jim Kirk still playing very well in midfield.

The defence is more confident than at any time of the season but still have the second worst "against" in the league this will have to improve.

It is hard to find the reason for this situation when you consider the talents of the defence with Pete Bailey in tremendous form in goal.

Backed up by Dave Kinsella Tim Charles and Brian Barnes they should have a better record.

One player out to show Bardon is a good player will be Bob Gordon. This boy has improved immensely since moving into the back four.

As for Bardon-Latrobe, they can only improve on last weeks performance against Azzurri. One word describes most of their teams display "RUBBISH".

It was just as well Mick Lee and Martin Coe were on form. Mick's tackling was first time stuff. The only way to do so on Spencer Park.

One save from Coe was world class from Willie Connors, and even the partisan Azzurri supporters had to admit his consistent ability.

I must admit I have never seen Gino Patrino play as bad even his ability to chase and dispossess his opponent was off. He will make amends this week.

One thing I must say is that to me

Gibby Rowan is lost at left back. His drive is missing and he can't seem to get into the game as much as he would like.

Jim Binnie must be wondering what to do with his front rank. Again last week they had chances which went a begging. Maybe one day they will click. I mean against a strong side of course.

I will go for Bardon, only because they play better on Perry Park than on any other and again they could not be as bad as last week.

### THE TEAMS

BARDON	OXLEY
1. M. Coe	1. P. Bailey
2. G. Rowan	2. R. Gordon
3. A. Sinclair	3. B. Barnes
4. G. Gault	4. T. Childs
5. M. Lee	5. D. Kinsella
6. J. McGinlay	6. R. Knight
7. I. Young	7. J. Kirk
8. J. Hudson	8. R. Shortman
9. E. Carrigan	9. J. Cormack
10. N. Docherty	10. P. Yeuell
11. A. Morris	11. R. Dobinson

## THISTLE v. HELLENIC (Sunday, Perry Park, 1.00) By Bruce Waddell

Both losers last week-end so the job of finding a winner here has been made just that little bit more difficult.

Let's analyse the respective losses. Hellenic really had no one to blame but themselves for the 2-5 defeat to Hollandia last Sunday.

After Ian Fagan put them ahead after five minutes, they should have carried on with the job and sewn up the match by half time.

The fault should have been ironed out after Thursday night in what probably was a soul-searching training session. Thistle on the other hand seem to be

right in the middle of this exasperating mid-season slump which usually strikes just when things seem to be going well.

All of a sudden they are out of the top four and already have made an exit from this year's Qantas Cup competition.

Apparently the speed of Jackie Cormack and Oxley's general attitude were the chief destroying factors last week although a team that scores three goals, yet still loses, probably could be termed unlucky.

Jim Ancliffe came to the party with his two goals, one a brilliant header, but there still appears to be a lack of thrust up front, particularly since centre half Barry Dann was called on to score his second goal in as many weeks.

I think the Thistle defence has been weakened with the switching of Alan Bain and Alec Anderson. The experienced Bain is a much better midfield player and Anderson's rugged tackling is what Thistle need most in that normally impenetrable backline.

Hellenic certainly have a few problems to iron out after last week but their defenders must stop the squabbling which caused them to come apart at the seams.

But that loss is sure to have done Hellenic much more good than harm and with Billy Fagan, Andy Tsoumbaras and Nigel Rehbock, appear the more likely of the two to get back in the winning list.

### THE TEAMS

THISTLE	HELLENIC
1. P. Roberts	1. S. Sander
2. A. Keenan	2. C. Petridis
3. B. Allison	3. C. Matters
4. A. Bain	4. W. Maxton
5. B. Dann	5. G. Mackie
6. A. Anderson	6. M. Jackson
7. M. Porter	7. W. Fagan
8. O. Monaghan	8. A. Murtagh
9. D. Jones	9. N. Rehbock
10. J. Ancliffe	10. A. Tsoumbaras
11. R. Smith	11. I. Fagan

## MERTON v. AZZURRI (Sunday, Perry Park, 3.00) By Bob Buchanan.

I said last week that Merton will be in the final four. I haven't changed my mind but this to me will be the one which will decide whether they will or not.

They have a good chance to win on Sunday. The team is settling down well but one main reason and it is important Azzurri are injury riddled with Matt Hosie and Ian Perry and Bruno Pinti still suspended.

I thought the Azzurri defence played well last week. With young Ian Boyce doing the required job. I don't think he even broke sweat.

Gary Clifford and Peter Nielsen got the ball up to Bill Haigh who hardly put a foot wrong. Willie Connors had an excellent first half but took things easy in the second.

Ian Johnston and Pete Strawson are developing an understanding which may give Merton a headache especially if they don't watch the ball pushed back to the middle.

Des Heath will be wanting to have a good game against his old team but its about time he got a decent ball inside the back to use his speed, instead of having to continually keep coming back for it.

The Merton scoring machine is back in business with all the front rank getting goals. This means danger to Azzurri.

Eric Pattison has been out of form for too long so his recent performances have just come at the right time.

The speed of Ron Millman will create many chances for his side and Trevor Catchpole will take on anyone and usually come out on top.

Billy Donaldson has steadied the midfield down and taken a lot of weight and limelight from Steve Dolan which is a good thing.

With Gary Catchpole almost un-

beatable at the moment, his tussle with Johnston should be interesting. He is ably supported by Gary Clelland and Graham Meagher.

I think Alec Senjuschenko will have the job of subduing Connors or Haigh and he will relish this as he loves hard work. I don't think he will be disappointed.

I am going for Merton on all round superiority due to injuries and suspensions, but Azzurri will not go down without a fight.

### THE TEAMS

MERTON	AZZURRI
1. B. Willis	1. R. Schluter
2. G. Clelland	2. P. Donovan
3. G. Meagher	3. P. Nielsen
4. A. Senjuschenko	4. G. Clifford
5. G. Catchpole	5. I. Perry
6. S. Dolan	6. P. Strawson
7. B. Bohan	7. D. Heath
8. T. Catchpole	8. W. Haigh
9. E. Pattison	9. I. Johnston
10. W. Donaldson	10. M. Laming
11. R. Millman	11. W. Connors

## COALSTARS v. ST. HELENS (Sunday, Bundamba, 2.45) By Bruce Waddell

This local derby should provide Ipswich fans with a clue to who will emerge as the more fancied of the two to figure in the relegation stakes.

Despite their good win last Saturday, Coalstars are still not out of the woods, although that win, with two apiece by Cumming and Caldwell, will have done much to restore sagging confidence.

Young Caldwell again proved that he has a big future ahead if he maintains those long, powerful runs down the middle or on either wing.

Some more efforts like that will put some real pressure on a Saints defence, which at best, has been highly suspect.

It is now in an even worse position with Stewart Dedman on the sidelines with a groin injury and Doug Dann in hospital with appendix trouble.

Coalstars still appear to have plenty going for them after last week's match. Apart from Caldwell and the often reliable Cumming, Ian Davis and Ross Hallett are showing plenty of life in midfield, an area which has often let Coalstars down in the past.

Added to this is the competent defence of Barry Payne, who with Errol Kreis, Trevor Davis and Brad Ahearn is developing into a backline which should trouble many of the top teams before the season is finished.

Ahearn looks to be back to his best form and at this stage is a better proposition than Frank Johnston, the latter being unavailable last week.

Saints main hopes again look to rest on the same men - Peter Gemmill, Geoff Green, John Dann, Lex Gibb and John Verrall.

This match could go either way without causing the Soccer public any great surprise but the match should be entertaining enough, as both teams always seem to produce something extra when they meet each other.

My vote - Coalstars by the odd goal.

### THE TEAMS

COALSTARS	ST. HELENS
1. B. Shreiweis	1. N. Scudds
2. T. Davis	2. S. Dann
3. B. Ahearn	3. B. Dobbie
4. R. Brown	4. G. Green
5. B. Payne	5. P. Gemmill
6. E. Kreis	6. J. Dann
7. I. Davis	7. T. Broadbent
8. R. Hallett	8. R. Kitching
9. K. Caldwell	9. G. McKeand
10. A. Cumming	10. A. Gibb
11. W. Kitching	11. J. Verrall

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**HOLLANDIA v. POLONIA**

(Sunday, Richlands, 2.45)

By Bruce Waddell

Only a super optimistic Polonia supporter could see his team winning this match if only for the form shown by both teams in their encounters last week-end.

Hollandia displayed a bit of class to down the leaders while Polonia produced barely a second-rate display to go down ingloriously to Coalstars.

A reshuffled forward line did little to help Polonia and one still wonders why Syd Tucker chooses to remain on the sideline while his cohorts struggle in vain for goals. (Eight in 10 premiership matches certainly could bear some improvement.)

Another surprise absentee last week was the experienced campaigner Derek Robson, who scored Polonia's goal in the Cup quarter-final and who surely would be much more value than what is available at present.

Up until Saturday, Polonia had a pretty sound defensive record, but Coalstars found their way through four times, even before Ron Piper was forced to retire towards the end of the match.

If he is not fit this week, Ian Frampton, Derek Attwood and Alan James could be in real trouble, as Frank Romanowski is still on the injured list.

Wayne Walker, Roger Clark and Keith Hymas and young Mick Lisgos last Saturday, are just not producing the goods and its hard seeing them find a way through a Hollandia backline which has kept Hellenic down to two goals, even allowing for the chances the latter missed last Sunday.

Gary Wilkins, Phil Sunderland, Peter Steen and Ben Mollee should have a field day if they get their usual support in the middle from Sven Anderson and Richie Wilson (if fit).

Up front, Darryl Wilkins, Laslo Koraknai, Ted Kearney and Jim McCabe are expected to find plenty of holes in Polonia's backline although let's not forget that they were helped to their tally of five by newcomer Charlton Van Dyke against Hellenic on Sunday.

**THE TEAMS**

<b>HOLLANDIA</b>	<b>POLONIA</b>
1. M. Walker	1. R. Barlow
2. G. Wilkins	2. I. Frampton
3. B. Mollee	3. D. Attwood
4. P. Steen	4. A. Curtis
5. P. Sunderland	5. R. Piper
6. S. Anderson	6. A. James
7. L. Koraknai	7. M. Lisgos
8. E. Kearney	8. K. Hymas
9. J. McCabe	9. W. Walker
10. R. Wilson	10. D. Sargent
11. D. Wilkins	11. R. Clark

**AGGREGATE**

<b>1ST. DIV.</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>Pts.</b>
Hellenic	10	7	1	2	29	19	15
Azzurri	10	6	1	3	22	16	14
Bardon	10	6	-	4	23	13	12
Hollandia	10	5	2	3	26	19	12
Thistle	10	5	1	4	26	14	11
Merton	10	3	4	3	18	17	10
Coalstars	10	2	3	5	16	23	7
Oxley	10	3	1	6	18	27	7
Polonia	10	1	4	5	8	16	6
St. Helens	10	2	2	6	18	40	6

**HOME**

	<b>P</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>Pts.</b>
Hellenic	5	4	-	1	18	9	8
Bardon	5	3	-	2	11	4	6
Azzurri	6	5	-	1	17	9	10
Thistle	4	3	-	1	10	3	6
Hollandia	4	1	1	2	9	9	3
Merton	4	1	2	1	8	8	4
Polonia	6	-	1	5	4	13	1
St. Helens	6	1	2	3	10	17	4
Oxley	6	2	1	3	13	17	5
Coalstars	4	-	2	2	5	10	2

**AWAY**

	<b>P</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>Pts.</b>
Hellenic	5	3	1	1	11	10	7
Bardon	5	3	-	2	12	9	6
Azzurri	4	2	-	2	5	7	4
Thistle	6	2	1	3	16	11	5
Hollandia	6	4	1	1	17	10	9
Merton	6	2	2	2	10	9	6
Polonia	4	1	3	-	4	3	5
St. Helens	4	1	-	3	8	23	2
Oxley	4	1	-	3	5	10	2
Coalstars	6	2	1	3	11	13	5

**NO CUP MATCH**

There will be no Kruger Cup match next week-end as originally scheduled. Instead the week-end will be devoted to the third set of fixtures which were washed out over Easter.

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**COURAGE AWARD**

Without a doubt this goes to Hollandia skipper Gary Wilkins, who played against Wolves last Wednesday week with a set of sore ribs and who followed that up by turning out for Hollandia, heavily strapped, to play a real skipper's role in the 5-2 defeat of Hellenic last Sunday.

Many reckon Gary's got enough of the stuff that counts which would enable him to play with one leg and one arm strapped behind his back, and still do the work of two men.

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

Dear Sir,

After attending the recent Dundee game and enjoying the carnival atmosphere of a packed Perry Park I was wondering how the same crowd could be lured back every week. It is in the interests of all soccer men that the answer be found soon.

Could the following be the answer. The soccer federation in its wisdom banned all soccer junior and senior in Brisbane the day of the Dundee visit. To me this was the "master" stroke. What would happen if all soccer, second division down to lowest junior grade were played on Saturday's and where possible Friday nights, i.e. Lanham Park, Bundamba, Richlands, Spencer Park, Wynnum. Play only first division matches on Sunday's with the pick of the matches on Perry Park and use Lanham Park, Wynnum, Bundamba, Spencer Park or Ebbw Vale for the lesser games.

I know there will be cries of pain, knockers, administrative problems, lack of referee's, in fact all sorts of excuses, but these are all small problems if the end result can be a packed Perry Park. This would give soccer the big time

image on T.V., youngsters would pour in free to see the big boys, and the first division clubs would be trying their hearts out to play there, for the increased revenue the big crowd would bring. Everyone would benefit the code most of all.

Try it management committee and see what happens. It can only be better than the present status quo where there are 10,000 spectators spread over 40 games every Sunday.

A Regular Fan.

Dear Sir,

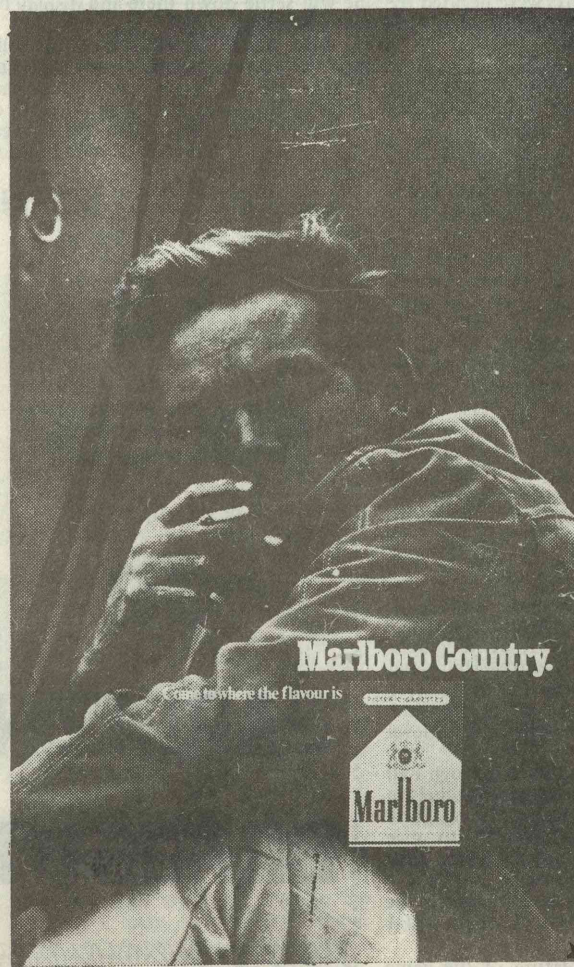
According to many of the so-called critics I have a reputation of being a ball-player. As a ball-player I have a great interest in the state of pitches we, the players are asked to show off our supposed skills on. Early this season there was quite a bit of comment about St. Helens ground, in fact late last season it was closed. Having played on this ground, Ebbw Vale, three weeks ago,

I took an interest in the condition of the ground.

Last Saturday I played on "a ground", and if Ebbw Vale is classed as unsuitable for First Division, Spencer Park should be used for prisoners from Boggo Road to do their hard labour on. Despite the recent rainfall this ground is like concrete and last Saturday had obviously not felt water since the last shower. Every time a ball was thumped dust was "kicked up" and the ruts and bumps in it are a danger to players limbs. Ian Perry came down on it and had to leave the field, and Willie Connors had to have his eyes washed. It is obvious the Azzurri boys know this ground, and to see their class players playing kick and rush football is saddening to say the least.

It is just as obvious the person or persons who closed St. Helens ground hasn't visited Spencer Park recently.

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7	Nigel Rehbock	(Hellenic)	8
7	Jim McCabe	(Hollandia)	8
6	Charlie Dench	(Azzurri)	7
6	Neil Docherty	(Bardon)	7
6	Alan Morris	(Bardon)	7
5	Andy Tsoumbaras	(Hellenic)	7
5	Dave Sargent	(Polonia)	7
5	Alex Cumming	(Coalstars)	7
5	Billy Haigh	(Azzurri)	7
5	Kevin Caldwell	(Coalstars)	7
5	Ian Johnston	(Azzurri)	6
5	John Dann	(St. Helens)	6
5	Paul Yeuell	(Oxley)	6

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# VIC MARSHALL REPORTS ON 2A DIVISION

Mt. Gravatt after a skinny 1-0 win over Budapest last week met the Grovely boys in the return match at Grovely and during the first half were flying the distress signal. Budapest hit the front after fifteen minutes and a little later were robbed of a 2-0 lead by virtue of a brilliant goal line save. It was only a temporary respite at this stage as Noel Wrigley broke free and it was 2-0.

Craig Dickson converted a penalty kick to reduce the leeway. However one minute from half time Dennis Lister (a very intelligent game) found an impossible gap in Mt. Gravatt's defence of an indirect in the penalty box and again the Southside boys faced a two goal defeat.

Budapest to this point were infinitely the better team. Faster to the ball and more definite in attack. One minute into the second half they were again unfortunate when they hit an upright. This, on the roast from Coach Fred Kingshot had the desired effect on the visitors and two goals in two minutes swelled the score. One of these scored by Gordon Petersen was a gem. Hard working Gary Triddy scored the other and was again prominent in a goal mouth melee to make it four-three. Jim Bedford finally put the issue beyond doubt from another goal mouth scramble. Although the Mt. Gravatt boys found the net five times I liked young Peter Tohnesi's game at centre half.

Taringa played host to South Coast United in this week's clash and Greg Wright opened the score in favour of United by conversion of a penalty kick. Alan Dobinson netted an equalizer and a very good drive from Trevor Davis into the top corner allowed Taringa to hit the front. Right on the half time whistle Tony Ryan intercepted a back pass to the Taringa keeper and the four goals scored had been evenly distributed.

Both teams tried desperately to salvage the swinging point in the second stanza and Souths fifteen year old goal keeper Neil Powell turned in a most creditable performance to match his contemporary in allowing no further goals and a 2-2 draw. Jack Speare's interpretation of the game was too much aerial football to allow it to settle down.

Germania, who picked up the major points last week had the advantage of the home game against Julio Vincyes boys from Merton. The local team scored first and it was left to Lee Fett to engineer a move which permitted Lex Donsky to equalize. The second half was a nip and tuck affair and goals were a very scarce commodity. In fact, the one from the boot of Grubber Melville, in favour of Merton per medium of a

penalty was enough to reverse the points of the previous week at a tight 2-1.

Lee Fett and Gary Fisher were both afforded praise for their efforts from their coach. Opposition Coach Ian Kesson though in no way with intent to disparage Merton was not at all happy with any of the people lotherwise connected with the game within the boundaries of the four white lines. Mike Mehlbergs on the right wing worked hard throughout for the losers.

Annerleys reasons were two fold in the return match against Wynnum, firstly to regain the two points from last week and otherwise forfeit their unbeaten home game record. They attacked early and three crosses from Greg Wynneff went unrewarded. It was left to Greg however to open the score for an Annerley lead.

Although they scored again before the interval their efforts were negated by the Wynnum attack matching them with two goals of their own.

The second half was very tight football with both defences playing solidly until J. Barnes netted a hat trick and although Wynnum again found a defensive gap right on full time it left them with a two goal deficit.

Nigel Cairns (2) and Don Jones accounted for Wynnum's goal contribution.

Annerley's Bill Johns mentioned that in his opinion there was not one voice of dissent from either camp after the final whistle for Angus McDougall's very capable handling of the game.

In one of the two Sunday games The Gap were at home to Mitchelton and the local boys opened at a very fast bat so much so Peter Dalhaus in the green's goal pulled off a brilliant save in the first few minutes. The game then settled and it was Mitchelton who opened the scoring when Warren Austin picked up a through ball from Barry Rowe and centred to Kev Jones who made no mistake.

The game then seasawed until close to the rest period when a head high centre created an error of judgment between Mitchey's Centre Half and goalkeeper and Hughie Gibson showing his usual tenacious attitude to the game knew just where to put the ball to level the score at one all.

The Gap used the long through ball on numerous occasions and Mitchelton elected to play the short passing game however when they decided to give right winger Kev Jones a sighter they always looked dangerous.

Neither team was able to break the others defence and it finished a 1-1 draw.

One noticeable feature of the game

was that whereas The Gap were always prepared to run onto the ball in the penalty area Mitchey were inclined to leave it to the other fellow. This result tightens even more the top four outcome.

In the other Sunday game Hellenic had the opportunity of proving last week's good win could be repeated in the early game at Headquarters. To their misfortune they opened the scoring, but for Newmarket (an own goal) who proved to be an entirely different proposition. After this gift goal Newmarket forged ahead to a 5-0 victory. David Millis collected a couple Errol Barnes scored a 35yd. screamer and late replacement Ray White added his name to the list.

Chris Millis ably supported his brother with some brilliant work on the right wing and coach John Jantzen is hopeful he will settle down there and display his natural ability.

Mort Briant turned in his usual solid game at Centre Half for the winners and it surprised me not a little to hear that Mike Sullivan was still lacing up a pair of football boots. Mike must surely wear the crown of Brisbane's veteran footballer.

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### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir,

Having read the open letter to Tom Linneth I would like to endorse the remarks and points made by the writer. Being in advertising myself I can well appreciate the selling power of modern media especially T.V., however I feel soccer people should put their own house in order before they expect others to do the same.

At the moment soccer claims two "live" sessions and a recorded club type show on Channel 0. They have five minute sessions on Channels 9 and 7. Out of all this expensive air time I would say 15 minutes are being used well.

The "live" sessions are as played, but can no-one in power name or pick a "match of the day" and thus try and ensure a good match. This would help the commentators and, as a regular viewer, I am of the opinion they need help. Actually no game of soccer needs 2 commentators, one is sufficient, and he doesn't need to work too hard, for the game is being viewed and does not require a "running" type commentary.

The club show is a disaster when compared with the type of show we get from overseas. Nothing is guaranteed to put people off more than talk, unless that talk is topical, controversial or educational. The stuff put over in the show cannot claim to be any of these,

### Progressive Points

Erskine 32, Waddell 32, Steel 29, Buchanan 28, Malcolm 27, Mitchell 26, Pagan 25.

	George Pagan	Bill Malcolm	Bob Buchanan	John Steel	Ron Mitchell	Reg Erskine	Bruce Waddell	Most Fancied
Bardon v. Oxley	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Thistle v. Hellenic	2	2	2	1	X	X	2	2
Merton v. Azzurri	2	2	1	2	2	2	1	2
Coalstars v. St. Helens	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hollandia v. Polonia	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

and week in, week out we get the same cross-talk between the same two men.

Is there no-one in the soccer world with the knowledge and talking skill to handle the "Jimmy Hill" part, as in "Big Match". Why isn't the film edited and shown two or three times to "sell" a highlight, settle an argument, or better still, start one.

Channel 9 uses one of the same men on Sunday and he uses the time to repeat himself thus wasting a valuable five minutes. Can't the big boys at Perry Park get someone else who could "sell" a different viewpoint.

Channel 7 has a young bloke who tries hard with interviews and comment,

but he is also guilty of repetition on occasion.

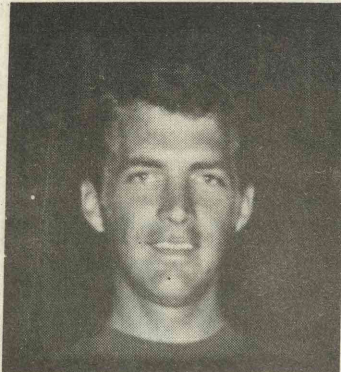
So there it is three men using three channels and 15 minutes to tell us their forecasts for the weekend. Such expensive help from the media until they help themselves. Examine the available time and make sure it is being used correctly. Come on soccer, shake off the cobwebs and sell the big time you always promise. Surely there is someone with the knowledge, knowhow and ability to lift the present standard of communication above its mediocre level.

S. King,  
Mt. Gravatt.



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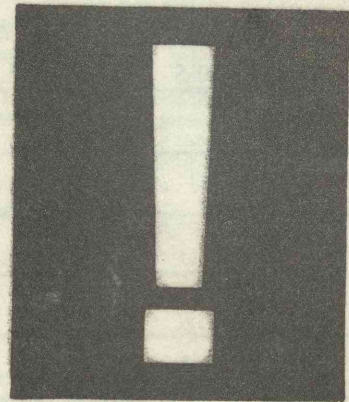
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