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'A VITAL MEETING'



A vital match coming up this Sunday for these two players when Polonia meet Grange-Thistle at Perry Park at 3 o'clock. Polonia must win to ease relegation worries while a loss to Thistle would virtually end their semi-final hopes for this year. At right is Thistle winger Mike Culhana and left, powerful Polonia centre half Ron Piper.

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FEATURE PAGE -

The Transfer Market right or wrong?

Sir,

Last week's Go Soccer saw fit to print a quote by our President who said "The only person stopping Charlie Dench from playing football is - Charlie Dench".

When the president of any organisation makes a statement most people sit up and take note, and this case is no exception, but I feel there is danger in its brevity as it tends to paint a misleading picture for the reader. The transfer system in Brisbane soccer has long been a bone of contention among players and club administrators, and I feel the Charlie Dench case is now bringing it to the fore, though for some reason or other the media are not buying into it. Through your paper I would like to lay bare the facts of a typical transfer deal.

As in the Dench case a club can place a player on the transfer list at any time and the fee in most cases is set by a committee of perhaps 10 men at least. Many yardsticks are used in the setting of this fee and weird and wonderful most of them are, but the "favourite" is to use the top price paid "on the market" and add a bit on top. This supplement is added simply because it is commonly known that the only course of action open to the player is appeal to the Management Committee for a reduction. Constitutionally this decision is final. I personally don't know the yardstick the Management Committee use as it has never been made public, but again it would appear the standard of player being heard, is measured against past deals, a very dangerous method as

opinions of standards differ. The management committee usually consists of around 8 people so now we have a situation where approx. 18 people have decided what they think the players value is on the market. When their opinions are made public another committee sit and decide what or whether they can pay the amount requested. Using the same number (approx. 10) we can see that contrary to the president's claim there can be the opinions of approx. 30 men to be drawn into alignment before agreement is reached and the Charlie Denches are asked if they want to play. This time these opinions have combined on a total of \$2,000.

I feel now is the time to remind the reader of the moral issue in this case. It is not a fridge, T.V., or car we are talking about but a human being with a human beings feelings and filialings. As it is a human being I feel the Presidents statement would have been better if it had been.

"The only person stopping Charlie Dench from playing football with a club of our choice is Charlie Dench."

Or

"The only thing stopping Charlie Dench from playing football with a club of his choice is the fee of \$2,000 which is our valuation of him based on etc.etc. This second statement would have been educational and good P.R.

Let us examine the "transfer market" to find if we can the common denominator used when a valuation takes place. Eight years ago, older readers will remember, \$400 (two hundred pounds) would have purchased any player in Brisbane. This was accepted as an unofficial ceiling. Then in 1966 Latrobe, using the usual formula, placed Ray Richards on the list for \$1800. For some inexplicable reason, at the time, Hollandia paid this fee without the player appealing. This had the unofficial effect of raising the market ceiling overnight by 450%. In economics this would be known as galloping inflation. As in an inflationary economy the rich became richer and the poor became poorer. Hollandia's business acumen was shown a year later when the sold Richards south at a handsome profit.

Azzurri quickly jumped on the bandwagon and repeated the performance with Ross Kelly. Johnston was bought by Azzurri who lately have sold and bought him back for \$2,000 and Hollandia have bought Mark Walker for \$2,000. This \$2,000 is now obviously the new unofficial ceiling. It could be argued that these transactions have cost Queensland two international class players, and no doubt many Coalstars

and St. Helens fans would have opinions as to whether the money is more valuable than the players they sold. To back up the argument of rich and poor it will be noted two clubs have engineered most of these transactions. The clubs benefiting financially have never recovered from the sale of these players. There are many many people in soccer who feel the management committee should have stamped out this inflationary spiral as it would have disastrous long term effects but instead they introduced a 10% levy on all transfer deals, this in fact accelerated the spiral as the clubs added the 10% on to the original fee. Many people also feel that this 10% levy is morally wrong for, as mentioned before, they, the committee are the players only hope of a fee reduction. The management committee are actually losing money when they reduce a fee. When the reader considers all this wheeling and dealing talked about in this paragraph he will note that "the merchandise", a human being, still has no say in the matter.

We should now look at Charlie Dench's valuation and ponder how the figure was arrived at. Dench arrived in Brisbane 13 months ago and was signed on a blue form by Azzurri. Let us assume he played immediately and was paid a very liberal \$25 flat rate for every match. He would have played approx. 12-15 games meaning his wages amounted to \$350. This season he played six games so this would amount to \$150. Therefore Azzurri's costs in wages would be a liberal \$500. Dench emigrated to Australia "on his own" and no costs were involved. No signing on fee was paid and at the time of being placed on the list Dench has still to play a full game for Queensland. Suddenly he was listed at a mammoth \$2500. Does the reader fully comprehend what this represents? A value of 500% greater than cost. In any business transaction this would be profiteering on a grand scale. The player appeals to his only help the Management Committee (as expected) and finds to his amazement and the amazement of others the fee reduced to \$2000, (the new unofficial ceiling the reader will note) or a valuation of 400% over cost. Once again the player has no say. Now we must revert back to the original part of this letter. Thirty men have worked on their figures and Dench can play with HOLLANDIA, if he wishes, if not ??????????????

The answer to that question I leave to the readers imagination.

J. Rinnie.

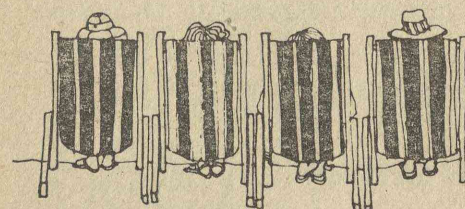
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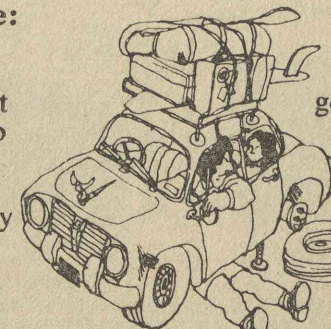
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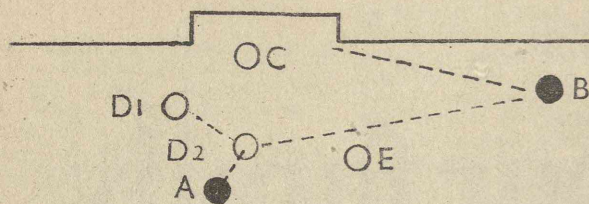
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WISE OR OTHERWISE OFFSIDE DECISIONS

Compiled by John Carlin, Publicity Officer, Australian Soccer Referees Federation (Queensland Division).

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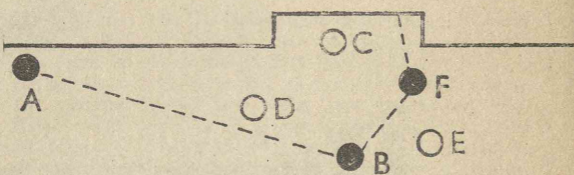
Diagram 5. - NOT OFF-SIDE.



Ball touching an opponent.

A shoots at goal. D runs from position 1 to position 2 to intercept the ball, but it bounces off his foot to B who scores. B is not off-side because, although he is in front of the ball and has not two opponents between him and the goal-line the ball was last played by an opponent D.

Diagram 6. - OFF-SIDE



After a corner-kick.

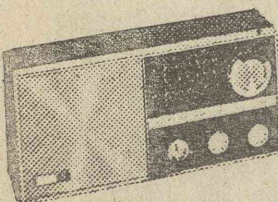
A takes a corner-kick and the ball goes to B. B shoots for goal and as the ball is passing through, F touches it. F is off-side because after the corner-kick has been taken the ball is last played by B, a player of his own side, and when B played it F was in front of the ball and had not two opponents between him and the goal-line.

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.

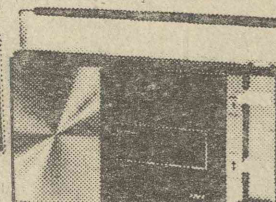
In order to clarify what is repeatedly considered a controversial decision in the eyes of spectators, players and match commentators, I have this week given you easy to follow illustrations in diagram form, and also explanatory notes on "offside incidents" which may give rise to doubt depending mainly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

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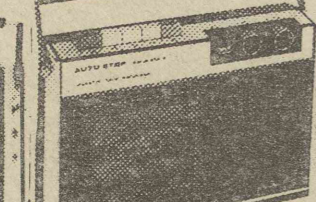
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By Sam Morgan. Publicity Officer.

Since the inception of the Federation the following coaches have passed the various courses organised by our Federation. Between 1966 to 1970 165 coaches passed and in 1971 76 passed with 33 passing in 1972 making a total of 274. This year's financial membership stands at 49. The question we are asking is why such a small financial membership when so many coaches have passed our courses. Our organisation is badly needing finance so we are urgently requesting your support by becoming financial members. The fees per annum are \$3.00. Some requests have been made for our federation badges and these are available at \$2.75. My phone number for further enquiries is 4 5747.

One other disturbing feature of our organization is the pathetic attendance at meetings. We have monthly meetings on the 4th Monday of each month at Perry Park commencing at 7.30 p.m. We do realise that some of our members are not in a position to attend meetings owing to club commitments but not all clubs hold their meetings on Monday nights so we feel a little more effort by members will make for a stronger Federation. Any discussion held at a meeting regarding coaching can only benefit the people present when they further impart their knowledge especially to juniors. Preliminary certificate holders tend to believe that in the presence of the advanced or senior coaches they are out of place, this is incorrect as one can only learn from these people who have had the experience in the game which the preliminary holders as yet do not have.

Once again we request support both by being financial members and attendance at our monthly meetings.

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NEW ZEALAND is the only country in the world which obtains milk from bulls! World Cup miracles take a little longer to accomplish. (Bulls is a dairy centre).

So if national coach Barrie Truman been invited to war-torn South Vietnam had his way, he would toss New Zealand in October.

Suspended for two weeks Max Davis Wanderers as tutors for his World Cup (Mount Wellington) pleaded that the squad rather than waste their tour on sentence operate immediately in the teams representing Auckland, Wellington interests of his club but the Auckland ton and the South Island. Dundee's FA insisted that he played that day 7-0 slaughter of Auckland underlined for Auckland against Dundee. "Judgement of convenience" commented a neutral critic.

Lessons learned could be tested if, anticipated, New Caledonia, Tahiti and After four years absence during Fiji national, plus Chilean, Czechoslovakian and West German club teams promotion-winning team, Brian Turner visit New Zealand. The Kiwis have returned to New Zealand. In his first

Kiwi soccer boom

game for Mount Wellington he was "booked" by the referee and later put a penalty-kick over the bar. The "Mount" have also signed Nigel Ashurst and David Taylor who have returned from Australia. Gunson showa, Zambian international, has joined neighbouring Auckland City.

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It is a shame to see Gibby Rowan in a losing side, as he gives 100% every week, and never knows when he is beaten. Why he never gets representative honours, beats me.

Geoff Gault and Mick Lee are very steady and played the Merton forwards quite well, but could have had better support from Ian Young who tended to stay too far up the field.

The most frustrated Bardon player must surely be Eddie Carrigan, who after setting up his forwards time after time, could only see his efforts wasted by inept shooting.

The forwards had an off day and apart from two shots brilliantly saved by Bryan Willis, Neil Docherty was very quiet.

Merton coach, Matt Carson was quite happy, but thinks his team can improve, which is bad news for Bardon.

Graham Meagher had an excellent match, stopping anything that came his way, and even starting moves himself.

The whole defence was solid with big Garry directing operations as usual and I think Aleċ Senjuschenko is coming back into form at the right time.

Speed is obviously Carson's weapon and he has a forward line with just that plus power. The wingers have a feast of the ball by standing wide and they always have a man square to help - take note Bardon.

I think Merton will win again as they are brim full of confidence, but Bardon could come good if they play McGinlay for the whole match, was he injured when he was replaced?

THE TEAMS

BARDON		MERTON	
1. M. Coe	1. B. Willis		
2. G. Rowan	2. G. Clelland		
3. A. Sinclair	3. G. Meagher		
4. G. Gault	4. A. Senjuschenko		
5. M. Lee	5. G. Catchpole		
6. J. McGinlay	6. S. Dolan		
7. I. Young	7. B. Bohan		
8. J. Hudson	8. T. Catchpole		
9. E. Carrigan	9. E. Pattison		
10. N. Docherty	10. W. Donaldson		
11. A. Morris	11. R. Millman		

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1ST DIV.	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Hellenic	12	9	1	2	34	20	19
Azzurri	12	7	1	4	24	20	16
Hollandia	12	6	3	3	30	21	15
Bardon	12	7	-	5	28	17	14
Merton	12	5	4	3	24	18	14
Thistle	12	5	2	5	26	16	12
Coalstars	12	3	3	6	20	26	9
Polonia	12	1	6	5	10	18	8
Oxley	12	3	1	8	21	35	7
St. Helens	12	2	2	8	20	46	6

HOME

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Hellenic	6	5	-	1	21	10	10
Azzurri	6	5	-	1	17	9	10
Hollandia	6	2	2	2	13	11	6
Bardon	6	4	-	2	16	6	8
Merton	6	3	2	1	14	9	8
Thistle	6	3	1	2	10	5	7
Coalstars	6	1	2	3	9	13	4
Polonia	6	-	1	5	4	13	1
Oxley	6	2	1	3	13	17	5
St. Helens	6	1	2	3	10	17	4

AWAY

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Hellenic	6	4	1	1	13	10	9
Azzurri	6	3	-	3	7	11	6
Hollandia	6	4	1	1	17	10	9
Bardon	6	3	-	3	12	11	6
Merton	6	2	2	2	10	9	6
Thistle	6	2	1	3	16	11	5
Coalstars	6	2	1	3	11	13	5
Polonia	6	1	5	-	6	5	7
Oxley	6	1	-	5	8	18	2
St. Helens	6	1	-	5	10	29	2

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Club News

BARDON LATROBE

This club is having a great season with 12 teams, Junior and Senior, in the top four, in fact a lot of those on the top of the table. For a club 2 years old a very good position to be in.

The clubs 2/UII team B & C are doing well, in fact if they don't get promoted next year the B.J.S.A. will have a complaint from the manager of the Redcliffe IIC about the Bardon IIC as he claims they are too good for this division. So the club is hoping the problem will be solved by the B & C team both winning promotion.

The babes U7 and U8 are doing very well and should gain promotion to the A division. The U10B are also in the same fortunate position, being well coached by Alan Sinclair, who also looks after the 10D side.

The U9 in their first year in the A division are doing reasonably well in fourth position. They had a 7 - 0 defeat at the hands of Redcliffe last week, so their coach will be putting the pressure on them now.

The U14A are on top with Redcliffe

and are playing well. The Redcliffe side is coached by former Bardon player John Hickman while the Bardon side is coached by Glenn Jones who also coaches the Bardon Babes, Bardon's well known 2B side.

The 2B side promoted from 2C this year have been on top all season but have been playing badly lately, due mainly to injuries. Last week they returned to form with a slashing 5 - 2 win over Azzurri.

An interesting point about the win over Azzurri was the fact that the Azzurri team manager, Fred Davis had one son Glenn playing for Bardon and another Greg playing for Azzurri. It would be a bit hard for him to know which son to support.

UNDER SIXTEEN TOURING SQUAD

Coach, George Pagan reports that these lads are training well for the Australian Championships to be held this year in Sydney, late August. He claims that some of these lads are future Australian Stars.

Last year our U16 team won 2 games and lost 2 and George gives this year's side a good chance of winning the championships. They have already beaten N.S.W. 3-0 this year and have improved out of sight since that victory.

Fans who witnessed the Azzurri v. Coalstars U16 clash last Sunday saw some of these lads in action, and even supporters from other clubs will agree that these lads, a lot of whom are in the squad, played very good football. The shooting power of the forwards especially from Coalstars was tremendous.

George is amazed at the enthusiasm displayed by the players in his squad and feels that these players and others of the same calibre should be developed by all clubs and not just the few who are endeavouring to bring on local lads.



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8	Nigel Rehbock	(Hellenic)
8	Alan Morris	(Bardon)
7	Jim McCabe	(Hollandia)
7	Alex Cumming	(Coalstars)
6	Kevin Caldwell	(Coalstars)
6	Ian Johnston	(Azzurri)
6	Paul Yeuell	(Oxley)
6	Charlie Dench	(Azzurri)

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VIC MARSHALL REPORTS ON 2A DIVISION

In the game this week on Gap Territory it was Wynnum opening up very fast in an endeavour to avenge their first round defeat by the locals.

At the twelve minute mark a cross from the extreme right hand corner found the ever alert Frank Sowden in position to despatch the first goal.

Just two minutes later due to indecision in the goal mouth Don Jones was in and at the twenty seventh minute again the position was made much easier for Eddie Wilkins to notch the third by lack of fire in the Gap Defence.

A couple of minutes into the second half and it was Gap centre forward Warren Best who breached the Wynnum defence and made it 3-1.

Both sides had several scoring chances during the remainder of the game but Wynnum game fell away considerably and by the same token the Gap custodian settled to his task and pulled off some very creditable saves.

Don Jones on Wynnum's right wing dazzled his opponents with a pair of twinkling feet and a very sound all round game.

Bottom team Hellenic were matched against top points scorers Mitchelton in the curtain raiser at Perry Park and great credit to this youthful team they put the pressure on the greens from the opening whistle and were rewarded in the seventh minute when Kos Zantiotis scored from a Graham MacMillan (they weren't all teenagers) chip.

Not very much more time had elapsed and a couple more 'sitters' were bombed due mainly to inexperience.

Mitchelton were slow and their distribution of the ball atrocious. However due to their greater experience Warren Austin was able to convert a Graham Beale cross for the equalizer ten minutes later.

Right on half time Barry Rowe scored for Mitchelton for a physiological 2-1.

The task for herein proved too great a handicap and Mitchelton ran out 5-1 winners Frank Gorman netting, and a hat trick to Barry Rowe.

A particularly good effort by Hellenic and it was nice to see Graham MacMillan out on the green patch again. Comfortably beaten after a great effort and certainly not disgraced.

Mt. Gravatt visited Annerley today and Craig Dickson converted a gift penalty to give the visitors a 1-0 half time lead.

Frank Douglas equalized in the second half and in the dying stages and whilst Annerley were a man short Garry Priddy took advantage of the situation and slipped one over the keepers head to give Mt. Gravatt a 2-1 victory.

Ex Hellenic player Dave Poweis stripped for Mt. Gravatt today.

As I did not witness the action I can make no comment except to mention that Annerley finished the game with no less than five head injuries in a game that apparently became willing on more than one occasion.

Annerleys manager Nev. Offers opinion is (without casting aspersions in Mt. Gravatt direction) that if players are allowed more latitude than is desirable they will in most cases become more indiscriminate.

Merton took a run over to Taringa with a few replacements on last weeks team and either due to their excellent control or Taringa's lack of it they found themselves four in front at half time. Although the second half was much more even it was still Merton who scored the only goal for a most impressive 5-0 win over probably the more fancied eleven.

Jack Speare a fellow who knows his 'Ekka' when it comes to the round ball game had a couple of things to say, one was it's one of the worst displays seen at Taringa in a long long time the other that Julio Vincze was the master tactician in the victory. Julio said only one word - Teamwork.

The scorers for Merton were Mac. McIntyre and Harry Pritchard two a piece and one from right wing Rob McCabe.

McCook Park Newmarket was the scene of a very close encounter between the locals and South Coast United.

United opened proceedings with a very good goal to lead 1-0. David Millis levelled the score with a tremendous goal, a hook shot that found the top of the net.

The only other score came in the second period when David Millis again registered this time with a penalty to give Newmarket the points by the odd goal in three..

John/Jansen Newmarket's coach paid South Coast the compliment that they played ninety minutes of solid football.

Newcomer Dave Kerr from Western Australia played a blinder for the locals closely followed by Bruce Scammells at right back. Alec Dimitriyevic at mid-field gave good distribution.

I would like to briefly mention here that the word from the South Coast camp is that my old friend Cyril Boland is progressing very well in his/hospitalization.

After coming through that Qantas Boeing bomb scare this one should be a 'piece of cake' Cyril.

As all second division games were played on Saturday and I had made

alternative Sunday arrangements the only game in which I could not contact the necessary parties was the one between Germania and Budapest at the former's ground.

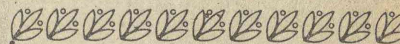
I don't think it would be unfair to Budapest to nominate their 1-0 victory as somewhat of a surprise as their form this season has been somewhat 'iffy'.

Nevertheless it is a valuable two points and must serve as a big morale booster.

Please don't forget my number 55 3453. It's much easier for you to make one phone call than me to make twelve as if you want the publicity help me to help you.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Shortish Frank Sowden's pathetic 'That was shoulder to shoulder Ref' as his shoulder made contact with the lower part of the anatomy of the Gap's six foot six goalie.



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir,

I would like to ask a question of the Referees Association or the Q.S.F. through your "Go Soccer". It was regarding an incident that could have had serious consequences. The match was Bardon v. Merton last Sunday at Perry Park.

Before the game two players complained to the referee that the ball was soft but their complaints went unheard. About a minute or so after the game had started Martin Coe dropped a ball towards his own net, a Bardon defender kicked the ball to clear, but the ball bounced off his foot and into the net. The Bardon players further complained to the referee that the ball was soft and then the referee saw fit to exchange the ball. I feel that this action was an admission that he had made an error.

All these facts lead me to ask the following question. What would have happened if that goal had been the only goal of the match or even if a draw was the result?

If the Bardon Club had protested over the referees action, what would have been the outcome. The referee had in fact admitted his error in changing the ball after the goal was scored. Therefore would there have been sufficient ground for a replay.

I feel this is an interesting question and I do hope the Referees Association or the Q.S.F. see fit to give myself and your readers an answer.

Yours faithfully,
RAY EVANS

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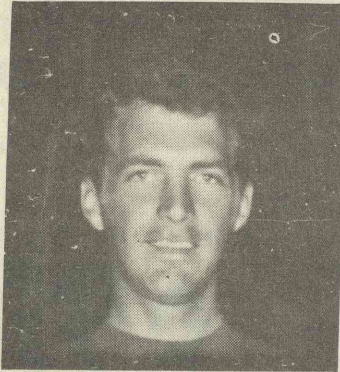
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Bardon v. Merton	1	1	2	2	1	1	X	1
Azzurri v. Coalstars	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Oxley v. Hellenic	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	2
Polonia v. Thistle	2	2	1	2	2	2	X	2
St. Helens v. Hollandia	2	2	1	2	1	2	2	2

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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).
9. Ian Johnston, Azzurri (v. Merton 25.6).
10. Paul Yeuell, Oxley (v. Hellenic 1.7).

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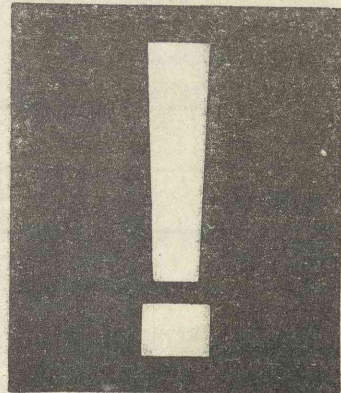
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