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*Editorial*

THEY say tried and tested formats are the best. That's why Go Soccer, the successful weekly programme of a couple of seasons back, has returned to the local scene.

By now, everyone realises that a regular weekly publication for the code is an absolute necessity.

So we are pleased to report that our usual reliable advertisers, who have stuck with the game for many years are again willing to lend their support.

This time we are happy to announce that they have been joined by the clubs themselves. Most of the First Division clubs and a couple from the Second Division have helped to make the rebirth of the Go Soccer possible.

Although it is late in the season, we felt it was most important to provide something for the public and the clubs, so Go Soccer will be produced for the remaining 11 weeks of the 1976 season.

And early next year it will return, bigger and better to coincide with the beginning of the National League. To avoid the confusion of past years, Go Soccer will not be distributed throughout the clubs. It has been proved this system does not work.

Instead, initially the programme will be sold at all First Division and some Second Division matches. All other clubs however are invited to supply information about their activities and if they wish to read about these and other relevant items, such as weekly points tables, they can do so by placing an order through the printer listed in the programme.

You can back up the clubs which have already lent their support and there is no way Go Soccer, the slogan of the Queensland Soccer Federation, will not be as successful as it was when last in circulation.

**WEEK-END MATCHES****FIRST DIVISION**

AMPOL CUP SEMI FINALS at Perry Park

Brisbane City v Southside Eagles

Lions v St. Helens

**SECOND DIVISION****SATURDAY**

Sunnyside v Souths (Ashover Rd., Rocklea)

Trident v The Gap (Raymond Park)

Rovers v Mitchelton (Robinson Park)

Taringa v Wynnum (Indooroopilly Reserve)

**SUNDAY**

Gold Coast v Oxley (Broadbeach Reserve)

Redcliffe v Annerley (Victoria Avenue)

**WEEK-END REFEREES**

REDLANDS v NORTH BRISBANE

Referee: Terry Ellison

Linesmen: Mike Brine, Doug Fisher

MT. GRAVATT v MERTON-EAST

Referee: Deiter Klose

Linesmen: Brian Luxton, Charlie Morandin

BARDON-LATROBE v LIONS

Referee: Jack Wood

Linesmen: Geoff Brabrook, Bill Turkington

ST. GEORGE v COALSTARS

Referee: John Adams

Linesmen: Geoff Brabrook, Bill Turkington

ST. HELENS v SOUTHSIDE EAGLES

Referee: Des Miles

Linesmen: John Folling, Ray Bennett

GRANGE THISTLE v BRISBANE CITY

Referee: John Gale

Linesmen: Bob Nelson, Barry Such

**THE PLIGHT OF GRANGE-THISTLE**

BY ALAN FOUCHE

*li Grange-Thistle lose its relegation battle, the club will taste second division football next season for the first time in 57 years.*

*Except for a brief period in the 1930's when the club was defunct, Thistle have been first division since 1919. The club was re-formed in 1942 and moved straight back into first division when normal competition resumed after World War II.*

*For nearly all those 30 years, Thistle have held in an anonymous, middle-of-the-table position, seldom among the title challengers but usually well clear of the relegation zone. Only once in their history did Thistle top the table, in 1922; only once before this season, in 1961, have they been last.*

*In the normal course of events, Thistle's dismal 1961 record (3 wins in 18 matches) should have brought relegation. But at precisely the right moment from the club's point of view, dissatisfied first division clubs ended their dispute with the Brisbane and Ipswich Soccer Association by breaking away to form the Queensland Soccer Federation. Thistle, one of the first clubs to throw in their lot with the rebels, stayed in first division.*

*The club's surprisingly thin honours list includes only five major successes: one premiership (1922), three Tristram Shield (1950-51-52) and one Ampol Cup (1966).*

*The first of the three Tristram Shield successes — which earned Thistle the trophy outright — was perhaps the most remarkable.*

*Thistle met the now defunct Corinthians in the final and a closely fought match was drawn 2-2 after extra time. Thistle won the replay 8-1, a record winning margin until Annerley hammered Blackstone Rovers 9-0 in 1959. Two members of that side who still retain an active association with the game in Brisbane are Bob Jardine, now Thistle's team manager, and Sammy Morgan.*

*The club's beginnings go back to 1919, when a new club called Merthyr Thistle was formed in Brisbane. The following season, the players, with one exception, broke away to re-form a new Thistle club.*

*The late R. L. Waddell, father of the present Queensland Soccer Federation president, became the first secretary. Eight members of that 1920 side went on to gain interstate or international honours — the captain, W. McBride, J. Cumberford, J. Peebles, A. Thomson, W. Nicholls, R. Craig, D. Ross and A. McMillan. In 1922, the club supplied three players to the Australian team that toured New Zealand, the brothers Jack and Dave Cumberford and Billy McBride. They were without these players for 10 weeks and also supplied J. Peebles and J. Love to the Queensland team, yet finished premiership runners-up to Bundamba.*

*Thistle made no mistake the following year, however and reversed the position by thrashing Bundamba 5-2 in the premiership final. The closest they have come to repeating that feat is to be runners-up three times, each time to an Ipswich club: to Blackstone in 1926 and 1953 and to Dinmore Bush Rats in 1950. And Thistle internationals have been equally scarce since the early years of plenty. The last player from the club to represent Australia at full international level, in 1955, was winger Clem Higgins. But there have been few years since the Federation was formed in 1962 in which Thistle have failed to contribute to the State teams.*

*The Club's State Representatives in this period include Norm Tran, George Shearer, Tom Bewick, Alan Rigby, John Parker, Barrie Allison, Barry Dann, Barry Jardine, George Whitaker, Ritchie Smith, Jim Ancliffe, Alex Anderson and Owen Monaghan. Yet not once in those 15 years have Thistle ever seemed likely to challenge for the premiership. Speculation is perhaps idle, but if the best Thistle players of this period were available for the same team, it could probably approach a match against today's State side with confidence. Certainly, few of this season's club sides would compare with this 11: Goalkeeper: Alan Rigby. Defenders: Alex Anderson; John Parker; Barry Dann; Barrie Allison. Midfielders: Tom Bewick, Owen Monaghan. Forwards: George Shearer; Jim Ancliffe; Ritchie Smith; Norm Tran.*

*Smith, scorer of 79 goals in his 127 appearances between 1967 and 1973, may well hold an unusual record. In his debut for Thistle, whom he joined from Mitchelton in 1967, he hammered in his first goal after just 19 seconds against Merton. Few*



players, if any, could have scored a quicker goal in their first match for a club. The last time Thistle faced relegation was in 1966, when they fought out the wooden-spooners' battle with Azzurri, now Brisbane City. Thistle won the decisive clash between the two by 1-0 and down went Azzurri.

Today, Brisbane City ride high at the top of first division while Thistle languish at the bottom. The lesson is simple — all success and failure in football is relative. For the club with sufficient character and determination, even a setback can become a catalyst to achievement.

## Thistle Records

### Tristram Shield Finals

- 1949 v Bundamba Rangers, 3-5 (after extra time)
- 1950 v Corinthians, 2-2; 8-1
- 1951 v St. Helens, 5-2
- 1952 v Corinthians, 6-2
- 1956 v Eastern Suburbs, 0-4

### Ampol Cup Finals

- 1966 v Azzurri, 6-1

### Premiership

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Pos
1946	18	4	2	12	28	47	10	9
1947	18	7	2	9	50	47	16	5
1948	14	8		6	37	40	16	4
1949	14	6	1	7	36	43	13	5
1950	14	8	2	4	33	21	18	2
1951	14	6	1	7	41	35	13	4
1952	18	9	2	7	51	44	20	5
1953	17	8	5	4	49	32	21	2
1954	18	10	2	6	46	28	22	3
1955	18	8	44	6	49	34	20	4
1956	18	5	3	10	36	57	13	8
1957	18	8	1	9	42	46	17	5
1958	18	5	2	11	37	59	12	9
1959	18	5	2	11	47	67	12	9
1960	18	6	2	10	38	42	14	6
1961	18	3	2	13	27	58	8	10
1962	18	7	3	8	37	37	17	7
1963	18	8	3	7	42	37	19	6
1964	21	13	1	7	60	39	27	3
1965	14	4	3	7	29	30	11	6
1966	21	6	4	11	39	49	16	7
1967	14	6	3	5	20	18	15	5
1968	18	7	4	7	42	37	18	6
1969	18	9	2	7	32	35	20	4
1970	18	5	5	8	27	36	15	7
1971	18	8	4	6	39	38	20	5
1972	18	5	3	10	31	32	13	8
1973	22	9	5	8	52	43	23	6
1974	22	9	2	11	38	40	20	6
1975	22	6	9	7	33	38	21	6

### INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

(excluding 1976)

#### Most goals with club

- 79 R. Smith, 1967-73
- 76 B. Dann, 1959-73
- 72 J. Ancliffe, 1970-75

#### Most goals in season

- 21 R. Buchanan, 1965
- 20 A. Hall, 1950; N. Tran, 1962
- 19 S. Morgan, 1959
- 18 R. Smith, 1970
- 18 B. Dann, 1962
- 18 C. Stewart, 1951

#### Biggest win

- 9-1 v Merton Rovers, Tristram Shield, 1949

#### Biggest defeat

- 1-9 v Merton Rovers, Ampol Cup, 1963



JIM CARPENTER *Grange-Thistle*

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# IT'S THE RUNNING OF THE RELEGATION STAKES AT PERRY PARK

NINETY minutes of drama, sweat and nail-biting tension face Bardon-Latrobe and Coalstars at Perry Park on Sunday.

Coalstars (11 points) face the strong running St. George, who have not been beaten since the arrival of the band of Cypriot imports in the early match.

Coalstars probably received a quick whiff of oxygen with the point gleaned from last weeknd's scoreless draw with Grange-Thistle.

So with their sights set firmly on moving past the teams only two points ahead of them — Bardon and St. Helens — Coalstars modus operandi on Sunday should be quite obvious.

A packed defence built around the old reliables, Barry Shreiweis, Phil Sunderland and Errol Kreis, is likely to be employed to deaden the drive of Alan Marley, Nigel Rehbock, Billy Fagan and Fivi Brahinis and company.

Another point would set Coalstars' hearts jumping, particularly as both Bardon and Saints on recent form will be widely tipped to go down to Lions and Southside Eagles respectively.

As Go Soccer went to press before the result of Wednesday night's disciplinary committee meeting were known, we could be astray in assuming Bardon and Lions will be without two key men each for Sunday's late Perry Park match.

Bardon's Iain Young and Karl Herdle will have faced the committee after being sent off in the Cup match against Lions.

By then we will also know the fates of Ron Harland, sent off last Sunday for the second time this season and fullback Alan Venables, who apparently received his third caution against St. Helens.

If the committee's wrath falls on all four players, it would be a matter of who best could cover any possible losses and in that regard, Lions obviously would get the nod.

On face value, Eagles would have to improve tremendously to take both points from Saints at Ebbw Vale.

But it must be remembered that for Eagles match against City last Sunday, one they had been quite confident of winning, injury forced the withdrawal of John Cochrane, one of Brisbane's most underrated defenders, Tony Brennan and Steve Wilson.

So with those men back and the possible absence of Johnny Dann from Saints' lineup, the Eagles should find the trip along the Ipswich Highway a profitable one. Another loss and Eagles could just about kiss their semi-final hopes goodbye.

Thistle have the right attitude, in that they're not yet resigning themselves to Second Division next season, but even their most ardent supporters would have their fingers crossed when they take on premiership certainties Brisbane City at Lanham Park.

Down at Cleveland, Redlands, now that they almost certainly have fallen out of the premiership race, will now concentrate on consolidating second place and a second chance in the semi-finals.

Norths' skinny win against Mt. Gravatt has left them with some hope of a finals berth but they cannot keep relying on a handful of players each week forever. In the final match at Heath Park, Merton should beat Mt. Gravatt — but remember, we said SHOULD, not WILL.

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# My Concept of Coaching

By JIMMY ROGERS

ALTHOUGH unity is essential in most team ball games, I do feel coaching should be split into two categories, those being coaches of junior teams, from say under 14 years of age and coaches of the older lads and seniors.

I offer my thoughts and reasoning for this structure on some of the following points, which came to light during my current dual role as senior coach and junior director of coaching at Mt. Gravatt.

Junior coaching requires a special type of personality that finds compatibility and communication with the very young lads no problem. However knowledgeable or qualified a coach may be it is most essential to be able to put over basic or simple coaching points to youngsters and at the same time retain their interest and enthusiasm.

Personally I find a great communication problem with the young lads and would prefer to handle the older boys and seniors. Nevertheless this doesn't prevent me from submitting comments for junior team coaches in an effort to try and improve the production of top players for senior football in Queensland.

Although I may draw many critics, I do suggest coaches of the very young junior teams should make results secondary to that of concentration on ball skills. Too much emphasis is related to winning premierships and grand final while individual ability goes by the board.

I feel very often the game is played more for the benefit of watching parents team managers and coaches rather than for the players themselves.

This is often illustrated by the over-enthusiasm of the people on the sideline. The boys, at a very young age, are subjected to extreme pressure to win. Importance and credit is given to the lads with the "big kick". What about the pass?

I feel coaches should employ their time teaching the boys the fundamentals of ball control, trapping, heading, passing etc. The development of natural ball skills will bring back the real excitement in football. Even with the regimental and highly drilled European touring sides there is still a dearth of individual ability.

The days of the body swerve, really tight ball control and individual techniques seem to be succumbing to the disciplined team organisation required by today's coaches.

I do appreciate there is a definite

shortage of coaches for the many hundreds of junior teams in the State. It is sad in many ways for nearly all qualified people are employed at senior level. Yet in my limited time amongst junior clubs I find a great deal of enthusiasm amongst managers and coaches, many of whom are fathers who have been "persuaded" to take these active roles without any previous knowledge or experience.

It is also apparent many of these good people do have that precious knack of handling kids at young ages. One thing I do find puzzling is that many enthusiastically spend sometimes twice a week training their teams but will not attempt to attend the many good courses run by the Queensland Soccer Coaches Federation.

Consequently, training sessions invariably mean boys as young as seven are running around football fields, doing press-ups and various other forms of physical exercise. Again I talk with limited experience but I understand from many sources that many colleges and

schools have very concentrated periods of physical education.

May I therefore politely suggest most of the time at training sessions be spent with ball work, in an effort to improve the skills I spoke about earlier. Tongue in cheek, I do suspect that in some cases the reason for physical exercising is due to the coach-manager's lack of knowledge or experience in the application of basic Soccer skills.

I am not "knocking" these people who give up many hours of their private lives to help young players in this wonderful game but I would like to suggest that possibly a few of those "training sessions" be sacrificed, so that more time could be spent on lectures, etc.

People like Matt Carson, Fred King-shott, Ian Kesson, Geoff Green, Fred Robins, etc. do a very good job and spend a lot of time on these courses. You will find the time well spent and illuminating.

I would like to see the integration, or closer relationship of the over 14's with the seniors. At 15 years of age a lad with ability should start to be considered for senior football. Integration at that age will help to develop them much quicker.

They can benefit from the experience of the older players which obviously is absent in squads of their own age. This might be idealistic from a club's point of view, to have boys coming through at an earlier age, but what about the poor coach of say the under 14's or 15's from which team the players are taken.

What would be his attitude in realising them even for only training sessions with the seniors. Once again the attraction of premierships and grand finals might outweigh the progress of the young individual. This will always be a problem but it's one that must be faced honestly by those concerned.

To be continued

## GOLD COAST CHALLENGE

THE Gold Coast Soccer Association has accepted the challenge of the neighbouring Tweed body to a series of matches to be played on both an Association and Club level.

Regular Competition already takes place on the Junior scene for the "Contramatic Shield" and it has been decided to instigate a Senior section to be played on the same day.

Country players rarely get a chance to play representative football and this is a decision sure to gain wide support.

The Tweed Association also wants some sort of Inter-Club competition and the Gold Coast has suggested that each Association's top two teams play off for a Club Championship.

Enthusiasm is already high in the initial season of Gold Coast fixtures to gain the prestige involved in winning the first Premiership. If the Tweed accepts this idea there will be the added incentive for the team that finishes in second place.

Gold Coast Dolphins continue to dominate the local fixtures and to this stage have not dropped a point in opening up a 5-point lead on the competition. Recent weeks have seen them with wins over Athletic, Twin Towns City and Dynamos with scores of 3-0, 6-3 and 6-1 respectively. The closest they came to defeat was in the game against City when the teams were level well into the second half until City foolishly,

according to most reports, gave away two penalties.

Much of the Dolphins success results from the strike power generated around former First Division sharpshooter, Wally Kitching and so far this season, in both fixtures and the President's Cup, they have scored 85 goals. An interesting addition to their teamsheet in the last match was Greg Hogg, a former Bardonia player, and it is good to see a person of his talents making a return to the game after an absence of two years.

The standard of football being played is continually on the improve and with the season into the second round the race is on in earnest for second place as only 4 points separate Athletic, Palm Beach, Twin Towns City and Dynamos.

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## WE TALK TO RAY RICHARDS

THE former Queenslander and Socceroo was in Brisbane recently for the opening of Graham Beale's Sports Store at Lutwyche and Go Soccer recorded his views on a number of pertinent points.

**GO SOCCER:** What chance do you think the Queensland teams will have in next year's National League.

**RAY RICHARDS:** From what I saw of Lions recently when they played the State squad, I feel they have to change their complete outlook. More method and less mad, frantic speed could be the answers. It may seem unfair judging from just that one game but I presume the other Queensland sides play the same way at the present time.

**G.S.:** How do you think the League itself will go.

**R.R.:** It will be successful. There's no risk of that with the money involved, and media representation will be good now that Channel 9 will televise the games. The referees could be the main drawback however.

**G.S.:** In what way, overall standard or lack of good quality refs.

**R.R.:** Overall. At the moment it's too bad to be true. Even one of Sydney's top men, Tony Boskovic refs to the crowds and doesn't let the game flow.

**G.S.:** Are there any good ones about.

**R.R.:** We saw one in Melbourne recently but I can't tell you his name because he's apparently not judged a top class referee. We (Marconi) played a

match against Fitzroy Alexander and he was hardly seen. He allowed a little bit of stick and really let the game flow. People in Melbourne are paying up to \$3 to see a match. They don't want to be "entertained" by the referee.

**G.S.:** Are there any clubs you feel should have been in the League that did not join up.

**R.R.:** Most certainly. Apia-Leichhardt definitely should be one of the starters. They draw around 6000 per match. On the other hand, one of the entrants Hakoah, draw only a few hundred each week unless they play one of the top sides.

**G.S.:** What would be the reason for this.

**R.R.:** Recently they built a complex at Bondi costing 3 or 4 million dollars. A good deal of the population in that area are people like air hostesses or young kids who'd rather go surfing.

**G.S.:** What to think of the idea of bringing over top European players in their off season to play in the League.

**R.R.:** That's not necessary surely. There must be at least 200 players in Australia who could adequately fit into the 12 teams. If there are to be any imports at all, League officials should contemplate bringing over a few really top class referees.

**G.S.:** Any other problems that may be encountered.

**R.R.:** Football in this country is not

co-ordinated enough. If the League games are to be played on Saturday, officials should ensure that all junior games are over by 12 noon. Many more people then would be able to come and watch the big name players in action.

**G.S.:** Are you disappointed at not being in the current World Cup squad.

**R.R.:** Extremely disappointed. I feel I am playing better than ever. Training used to be a dirty word to me. I'd run all night in a match but wouldn't run twice round the block in training. I have trained very hard this year and I'm the fittest I've ever been.

**G.S.:** Any reason why you lost form at the end of last season.

## Promotion at Wynnum

ON Exhibition Wednesday, August 11, the Queensland team will meet a Wynnum Eleven at Iona College, 85 North Road, Lindum.

Object of the match is to promote Soccer at the college, the area generally and also to raise funds for the college, as if it is a completely independent organisation.

It relies heavily on money raised by the P and F and any new venture such as soccer cannot get off the ground unless the association raises the money itself.

Guest players for Wynnum are internationals Ray Richards and Gary Byrne. Richards played in all World Cup games in Munich in 1974 but is not in the current squad (see story this issue on page 8).

Byrne is in the current squad, is reputed to have the most powerful shot in Sydney football, and plays in the midfield.

Both players kindly have donated their services free of charge, with Iona only having to provide air fares.

With the Bayside area so densely populated, we are most disappointed that only a few "old faithfuls" come to watch Wynnum play and we hope this match will help to rejuvenate interest.

The club has recently purchased Nigel Fisher, David Large and John Bridge from St. George and now appear to have a strong enough side to win promotion back to the First Division. Unfortunately they may have left it too late.

The kick off for the Queensland-Wynnum game is 3 p.m. and a warm-up

**R.R.:** I think a heavy schedule during last season went against most of us in the squad. At one stage we played Glasgow Rangers in Sydney on a Sunday, met them again in Brisbane, the following Wednesday, backed up for club football the next weekend then played Manchester United the following Wednesday night.

**G.S.:** What do you think of the mid-field players in the current squad.

**R.R.:** Jimmy Rooney certainly deserves his place and Agenor Muniz is a great prospect. But if I couldn't keep out players like Dave Harding or Peter Stone maybe I should hang up my boots.

programme has been organised to start at 11 a.m.

This will be in the form of an eight school knockout competition and the participating schools are Iona, Villanova, Wynnum North High, Clairveaux, The Southport School, Brisbane Grammar, Church of England Grammar and Gregory Terrace.

Admission prices are as follows: \$2 (seated, limit 150), \$1 outer (adults), 50c outer (children and pensioners).

Tickets are on sale at the college (phone 396 5411) or at Graham Beale's Sports Store, Lutwyche (phone 57 7433). For any further enquiries contact Mike Cole at 268 5260 (business) or 390 4669 (home).

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## FIRST DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
CITY	17	14	1	2	62	17	29
REDLANDS	17	9	5	3	29	18	23
MERTON	17	9	3	5	30	24	21
LIONS	17	9	2	6	42	29	20
ST GEORGE	17	9	2	6	35	30	20
EAGLES	17	6	6	5	30	33	18
NORTHS	17	6	4	7	27	27	16
Mt GRAVATT	17	5	4	8	18	29	14
ST HELENS	17	4	5	8	18	31	13
BARDON	17	6	1	10	26	46	13
COALSTARS	17	2	7	8	15	32	11
THISTLE	17	2	2	13	23	39	6

## THIRD DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
AC. RIDGE	16	12	3	1	52	12	27
F. VALLEY	16	12	2	2	60	24	26
DARRA	16	8	3	5	39	29	19
W'BURN	16	7	4	5	38	36	18
NTH STAR	16	7	3	6	31	30	17
NEWMARKET	16	6	4	6	33	26	16
PINE RIVERS	16	8	—	8	33	41	16
ANERLEY	16	6	3	7	31	33	15
ST ALBANS	16	5	3	8	19	33	13
GROVELY	16	3	4	9	15	43	10
TOOWONG	16	2	4	10	22	40	8
OLYMPIC	16	2	3	11	12	38	7

## RESERVE GRADE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
LIONS	16	11	4	1	37	16	26
NORTHS	16	10	5	1	33	11	25
CITY	16	10	3	3	32	14	23
THISTLE	16	8	5	3	38	24	21
St GEORGE	16	9	1	6	39	26	19
REDLANDS	16	6	3	7	33	39	15
MERTON	16	5	4	7	20	33	14
EAGLES	16	5	2	9	30	25	12
BARDON	16	4	4	8	30	42	12
COALSTARS	16	3	5	8	22	37	11
ST HELENS	16	2	5	9	16	47	9
Mt GRAVATT	16	2	1	13	14	30	5

## FOURTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
NERANG	16	11	3	2	47	20	25
BOOVAL	16	10	4	2	54	28	24
THE GAP	16	10	3	3	37	25	23
BRIGHTON	16	9	2	5	47	37	20
UNIVERSITY	15	7	4	4	38	30	18
NEWMARKET	16	6	3	7	37	43	15
AC. RIDGE	16	6	2	8	41	33	14
DARRA	16	4	6	6	31	37	14
BARDON	16	4	3	9	23	34	11
LOGAN	15	5	1	9	33	44	11
TARINGA	16	3	2	11	26	51	8
WYNNUM	16	3	1	12	27	59	7

## SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
ANERLEY	16	11	5	—	26	4	27
OXLEY	16	8	5	3	27	11	21
GOLD COAST	16	8	5	3	26	16	21
MITCHELTON	16	7	6	3	28	22	20
WYNNUM	16	7	5	4	27	15	19
SOUTHS	16	7	1	8	24	21	15
TARINGA	16	5	5	6	21	23	15
REDCLIFFE	16	5	3	8	31	33	13
ROVERS	16	4	4	8	22	30	12
TRIDENT	16	4	4	8	19	32	12
SUNNYSIDE	16	3	5	8	20	36	11
THE GAP	16	1	4	11	8	36	6

## FIFTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
INALA	16	16	—	—	85	9	32
SALISBURY	16	15	—	1	100	8	30
PADUA	16	10	—	6	35	34	20
EAGLES	16	9	—	7	47	30	18
TOOWONG	15	7	1	7	26	33	15
PINE RIVERS	15	6	2	7	38	30	14
UNIVERSITY	16	6	2	8	29	51	14
DOWSETT	15	5	2	8	23	31	12
NORTH STAR	16	4	3	9	28	45	11
ST ALBANS	16	5	—	11	26	68	10
OLYMPIC	15	4	1	10	13	48	9
GROVELY	16	—	3	13	8	71	3

## SECOND DIVISION RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
ANERLEY	16	12	2	2	45	18	26
GOLD COAST	16	11	3	2	44	28	25
WYNNUM	16	10	3	3	45	17	23
TRIDENT	16	9	2	5	40	27	20
MITCHELTON	16	7	5	4	39	33	19
TARINGA	16	7	3	6	30	23	17
OXLEY	16	7	3	6	40	35	17
REDCLIFFE	16	5	5	6	40	33	15
THE GAP	16	5	3	8	34	47	13
SOUTHS	16	4	4	8	24	31	12
SUNNYSIDE	16	—	3	13	18	53	3
ROVERS	16	1	—	15	18	72	2

## SIXTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
NORTHSIDE	16	13	2	1	52	16	28
GOODNA	16	13	1	2	85	15	27
TWIN TOWNS	16	12	1	3	80	14	25
KINGSRIDGE	16	12	1	3	82	25	25
MITCHELTON	16	9	1	6	35	31	19
WONDALL	16	6	3	7	27	29	15
Mt GRAVATT	16	6	2	8	29	41	14
NERANG	16	5	2	9	21	46	12
WACOL	16	3	3	10	22	60	9
LOGAN	16	3	1	12	11	38	7
ST MICHAELS	16	3	—	13	15	90	6
ALBANY CK.	16	2	1	13	16	70	5

## SEVENTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
ROCHEDALE	16	14	—	2	53	15	28
DINMORE	16	13	—	3	64	17	26
NORTH BRIS.	16	11	2	3	58	15	24
NEW WORLD	15	11	—	4	60	23	22
THE GAP	16	10	1	5	35	22	21
CAPALABA	16	7	4	5	43	22	18
LIONS	14	7	2	5	36	31	16
SOUTHS	15	6	1	8	35	33	13
NORTH PINE	16	3	2	11	44	55	8
NORTH STAR	16	2	1	13	10	61	5
PINE RIVERS	16	2	1	13	15	72	5
WONDALL	16	1	—	15	9	96	2

## EIGHTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
SALISBURY	15	12	3	—	46	14	27
RAAF	14	12	—	2	51	14	24
ADAMS PARK	14	11	2	1	42	19	24
GOODNA	14	7	3	4	58	27	17
ROVERS	15	7	1	7	22	36	15
ROCHEDALE	15	6	2	7	26	29	14
OXLEY	14	6	1	7	24	30	13
REDCLIFFE	15	5	1	9	21	44	11
BRIGHTON	14	4	1	9	34	52	9
TOOWONG	15	2	—	13	13	59	4
WIL'BURN	15	2	—	13	5	18	4

## COLTS DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
LIONS	11	9	1	1	33	10	19
ST HELENS	10	6	2	2	21	14	14
COALSTARS	10	4	3	3	17	14	11
MERTON	11	5	1	5	17	15	11
NEWMARKET	11	3	2	6	15	30	8
THISTLE	10	2	3	5	13	18	7
ST GEORGE	10	2	2	6	14	21	6
Mt GRAVATT	9	3	—	6	10	18	6



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# MITCHELTON SOCCER CLUB HISTORY

THE Mitchelton Soccer Club had its beginnings in 1920 when they were known as the "Black Diamonds", being the strip they wore until the present "Green and White" Colours were taken up with the new name of the Mitchelton Soccer Football Club.

In those early days Mitchelton was the popular centre of Soccer, being the hub of a satellite district North-West of Brisbane until the "Urban" sprawl engulfed it.

Mitchelton Soccer Club, the second oldest Brisbane Club, has remained a force in the area throughout the years and each year has shown a steady growth. The Club has doubled in the past three years with 1976 seeing it field three Senior teams two Ladies and 22 Junior teams.

The present Club grounds have been

used for the past 35 years and one of its original players and still number-one supporter, committee man, George Lincoln is our newest Life-Member.

The Club last year honoured its Second Div. Reserves Goalie, Bronco Radonavic for 17 years continuous service to the Club and 1975 major honours went to Shane Laird, winning the "J. Tree Memorial" for outstanding service to the Club and Dave Elliott won the "Mr. Football" award for ability, as Second Division Goalkeeper.

The Club mourns the passing of Fred Gray — Life-Member and former President and Secretary who passed away early this month. Fred will be well remembered for his re-formation work in post-war years both he and the Club are proud to have seen produced State and Queensland representatives and also some



top level referees with the Juniors taking up a fair share of the annual presentations.

The near future will see us move to new grounds under the banner of the Mitchelton Sports Club where it is hoped to engage in some of the summer sports and thus cater to the community at large as well as the 1,000 people tied up with the present club, who reside in the Mitchelton, Everton Park and Ferny Hills areas.

Under the leadership of president Bob Carmichael the past two and a half years have seen a necessary re-organization of the Club and its affairs to adequately cater for its expansion and future, both competition and organization wise.

The Management Committee of 21 plus its executive and sub-committees of finance, parks and junior have successfully "married" the functions of Senior and Juniors.

Believing that a Clubs future mostly depends on its juniors it has engaged highly qualified Gordon Arrowsmith and Derek Attwood as its Senior Coaches, along with Glen Jones as Director of Junior Coaching, who together will provide long term assistance to both players and with coaching of coaches, with their professional approach 1976

## Women's Soccer

By Bert Fry, Public Relations Officer, S.Q.W.S.A.

BY the time this copy is released, the Premiership Competition, will have reached the final round and play-offs in all divisions (if any are required) would have been played.

At the moment tremendous interest is apparent for the final four positions with particular interest in the third and fourth places, as it appears the first and second places are in no doubt in all divisions, but who can tell until the FINAL whistle is blown.

The points tables up to and including the weekend 3/4th July, 1976 is as follows:

### "A" GRADE

COALSTARS .....	22
WYNNUM .....	21
ANMERLEY .....	14
REDCLIFFE .....	13
SALISBURY .....	10
MERTON EASTS .....	5
DARRA .....	4
NORTH STAR .....	1

may see this Club rise to First Division status.

Junior wise more emphasis will be placed on specialised coaching both in preparing them for Brisbane and Queensland representative honours and as a basis for the transformation into Senior Football, playing and coaching trips to Maryborough, Tallebudgera, Engadine, N.S.W. and hopefully other intra and inter-state trips are planned for 1976.

The club recognizes the assistance provided by its advertisers particularly in its major fund raising areas such as our annual fete U7 carnival (Queen's Birthday weekend) the Brook Hotel-Motel for its raffle rights and the club's stall "Pettys Paddock" at the R.N.A. Exhibition.

This year Miss Mitchelton Soccer is one of our playing members, Joan van Kuijck, (pronounced Kirk) who is entered in the annual Miss B.J.S.A. Soccer competition, which provides fund-raising assistance to clubs and representative Football teams.

The Mitchelton Soccer Football Club is justifiably proud of its financial management which owes success to the Management Committee, its advertisers and supporters but mainly to its members and its continued success will be attributed to all those who help.

### "B" GRADE

NEWMARKET .....	23
MITCHELTON .....	17
BARDON LATROBE .....	15
BRIGHTON .....	10
UNIVERSITY 4 .....	9
ANMERLEY 2 .....	8
LIONS .....	5
DARRA 2 .....	1

### "C" GRADE

DINMORE .....	22
NORTH BRISBANE .....	18
KINGSRIDGE .....	14
MARGATE .....	11
ST. HELENS 2 .....	10
ST. HELENS 1 .....	7
UNIVERSITY 2 .....	3
MERTON EAST .....	1

### U/15

BRIGHTON .....	9
MERTON EAST .....	5
MITCHELTON .....	2

My tip for the Final winners are: "A" Grade, Wynnum; "B" Grade, Mitchelton; "C" Grade, Dinmore; U/15 years, Brighton, however I do not predict an easy win for the teams mentioned as the competition is so close and all finals should be a delight for all soccer fans to see.

The Australian Championships will be held this year in Melbourne, commencing on the 27th August and concluding on the 31st August . . . five days straight with no rest days in between. The games will be played on two grounds in Melbourne, one is the "Polonia" Maribyrnong Ground, Raleigh Rd., Maribyrnong, the other at Footscray "Just" Ground, New Footscray Road, Footscray.

As the Championships are to be held in Melbourne, a copy of the First Soccer Times was sent to the Public Relations Officer of the Australian Women's Soccer Association, in Melbourne, Jacqui Agar, who has been trying to organise a National Newsletter concerning Women's Soccer, without a great deal of success.

Her reply is, and I quote: "Many thanks for your very interesting Magazine, we could do with one of these down here, information from all states has been poor. I am very disappointed even my own state hasn't sent me any copy, it's like hitting your head against a brick wall." unquote.

In view of the contents of Jacqui Agar's letter listed below are the P.R.O.s in the various states, should anyone wish to contact them.

Northern Territory: Lenore Dembski,  
P.O. Box 2250, Darwin N.T.

North N.S.W.: Mrs. Glenys Borkett,  
P.O. Box 53, Kotara Fair, N.S.W. 2289

W.A.: Mrs. B. Gibson,  
P.O. Box 650, Fremantle, W.A. 6160.

Victoria: Alistair Rust,  
69 Grayson Drive, Scoresby, Vic. 3179.

N.S.W.: Pat O'Connor,  
321 Hector Street, Bass Hill, N.S.W. 2197.

Qld.: Bert Fry, Phone 225 2660.

It would appear Jacqui Agar has experienced the same difficulties as I, in not only having insufficient information forthcoming, but also having no-one interested enough in Women's Soccer to print it, until the advent of this magazine.

On the weekend, 14/15th August, Bundaberg are staging a Soccer Carnival with one team from Rockhampton, one from Maryborough, three from Bunda-

berg (all rep. teams) and three from Brisbane, namely, Annerley, Salisbury and a composite team from Newmarket and Mitchelton competing. Should be a great weekend of soccer.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, Sherree Ponting, has withdrawn from the Representative Team, however after careful consideration Joy Edwards of Wynnum Club has been named as the new member of the team. Congratulations Joy on your selection.

The next edition will contain the results of all Premiership and Final games.

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# THE IPSWICH SCENE

By John Roderick

WHAT is the future of Ipswich soccer at First Division level as it is now known with two clubs St. Helens and Coalstars?

Under the present arrangement with a twelve team First Division I rate the chance of Ipswich fielding a First Division team within three or maybe four years as very poor.

Coalstars appear relegation certainties at this stage of the season along with Grange-Thistle, leaving St. Helens just above the cut off point.

How long then can St. Helens hope for survival? And that is what First Division status means in Ipswich at the moment. Perhaps two maybe three years at the outside. They have plenty of ability at the back with goalkeeper Kim Wishart and defenders Jeff Dann and Wayne Warren still in their teens and showing tremendous potential.

With Peter Gemmell just starting to realise what a talented footballer he is and the youngsters certain to improve with maturity St. Helens defence has unlimited potential. But in front of them in regard to midfield and forward power the cupboard is very bare.

It has always been considered by many astute judges of the game from Brisbane that Queensland soccer has only been strong and a high standard of club com-

petition been attained when Ipswich clubs are strong.

That hasn't been the case in recent years and I include 1974 when Coalstars scraped into the semi-finals.

The decline has been slow but sure over the past decade with the taste of success very minute.

I believe Ipswich has only one chance of surviving in First Division and in fact again becoming a force in Queensland soccer. That is amalgamation.

Not only an amalgamation of St. Helens and Coalstars but a club formed of Coalstars, St. Helens, Fourth Division Booval stars, Seventh Division Dinmore Bush Rats and Juniors Ipswich City. Sixth Division Goodna would also be welcome to join the proposed Ipswich United if they so desired.

I believe it is inevitable for the First Division competition from 12 to 10 or 8 teams and Ipswich could only afford one team in top division financially, in playing strength and administration strength.

Utilising teams such as Booval and Dinmore who will probably be in Third and Sixth Division next year as feeder or satellite clubs for the top team there should be no lack of talent coming forward.

Further backed by the junior strength

of all mentioned clubs, who in their respective age groups now at least hold their own. Top teams from each age group from fourteen year olds upwards could then be formed and developed technically and discipline wise towards First Division standard by top coaches.

This would provide a steady, unlimited flow of juniors to senior level and even if only three or four A grade players of outstanding ability graduated every two years through the juniors, this would more than fill the quota of seniors on the down hill grade.

To do this would require finance far greater than is available to the Ipswich clubs at the moment, but with capable administration and promotion, I am sure sponsors could be found in the Ipswich area to support their own team — one team.

This would also lead to players in the top division being paid comparable to their Brisbane counterparts and would stop the flow of Ipswich players to the richer Brisbane clubs. We then would be able to retain our own talent and it is not impossible to see the present trend being reversed with Brisbane players coming to Ipswich.

I only visualise a few problems to my proposal to revive Ipswich soccer and that is problems obtaining administrators or directors who have the ability and strength to make a total amalgamation work and obtaining the top coaches for the juniors.

I think anybody connected with the code in Ipswich owes it to our local soccer public to start winning and above all entertaining to wipe out the humiliations of the past decade. Let us give them something to cheer for.

## The Harry Linning Cup Carnival

TO be held in Gympie: from Monday, 9th August to Saturday, 14th August, 1976.

Associations who from time to time had wanted to join in the "Gino Paris Cup Carnival" but couldn't, decided in 1972 to form their own Carnival so in August, 1972 Maryborough with the help of the Schools' Soccer Association conducted a second Intercity Carnival which has become known as "The Harry Linning Cup Carnival".

Competing Associations were Maryborough, Gladstone, Sunshine Coast and Wynnum-Manly. Redcliffe joined in 1973 but dropped out in 1975, Mount Morgan and Gympie joined in 1975 and this year

The Gold Coast and Blackwater will join in the Carnival.

This Carnival, like the Gino Paris Cup Carnival, has become very important to the Associations who are competing and it is helping to encourage many new players to join the code and to improve greatly the standard of play.

The Carnival will be held at Albert Park, Gympie.

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## THE "GINO PARIS CUP" CARNIVAL

TO be held at the Annerley Junior Soccer Ground, Ekibin, Sunday, 8th August, 1976 to Saturday, 14th August, 1976.

This year for the first time, the Gino Paris Cup Carnival is being played in Brisbane.

The competing Cities are Townsville, Ayr, Mackay, Rockhampton, Bundaberg, Brisbane, Ipswich and Toowoomba.

The age of competition is born 1964 or later and in Brisbane and Ipswich the boys must attend a primary school.

The Schools' Association first began its Intrastate activities in 1953 when a combined Brisbane-Ipswich team played in Mackay, Townsville, Cairns, Ayr and Rockhampton.

1956 saw the beginning of the present era when Gino Paris, a business man from North Queensland presented to the Schools' Association a trophy to be known as the "Gino Paris Cup", to be competed for annually between cities of the north and cities of the south. The cup, donated to provide healthy competition between the north and south has more than fulfilled its aim.

In 1963 a Runners Up trophy, "The Michelmore Shield" was presented by J. Michelmore and Co., a prominent Mackay business firm to create a greater interest and to reward the Runner Up for their effort.

We are very proud of the part played by the Queensland State Primary Schools

Association in helping to develop soccer in very many areas of Queensland through the "Gino Paris Cup" Carnivals. We are particularly grateful to those teachers and non-teachers who by their very fine spirit of co-operation and general enthusiasm have given to the "Gino Paris Cup" Carnivals the prestige that they hold today.

We are also very appreciative of the way in which the Associations in the various areas have been able to introduce soccer into many of their State Primary Schools and so have brought the fine game of soccer to so many schoolboys.

With the formation of the Queensland Junior Soccer Council and with most of our Associations being Junior Associations the future control and conduct of this Carnival is being considered during the Brisbane Carnival. It is hoped that everybody will see their way clear to retain this Carnival as an Intercity Carnival and that it will continue to grow in stature.

The Carnival will be opened by The Hon. K. W. Hooper, M.L.A., Minister for Transport, on Sunday, 8th August, 1976 at 9.15 a.m.

The Trophies will be presented by Mr. P. M. Briody, Director of Special Education on Saturday, 14th August, 1976 at 1.00 p.m.

A very cordial invitation is extended to you to share the Carnival with us.

## IT'S ENOUGH TO TAKE THE WIND OUT OF YOUR SAILS

THEY say there's a first time for everything. This week we disclose a complex problem relayed to us by the mother of a junior player.

She has supplied us with her name and address but with the subject quite a touchy one, asked if she could remain anonymous. Can't say we blame her.

It seems her son was playing in a junior match on Saturday, July 3 and here's an extract from her letter:

"While playing he passed wind and received a warning from the referee.

"His teammates heard him get the

warning and now they want to know, rather than also receive a caution, what they should do if the occasion should occur again."

We really thought we had heard just about everything. So for clarification on the matter we approached Brisbane's FIFA referee Des Miles to see what he would recommend in a similar situation.

Des said he had never really been confronted by the particular problem in a senior match, but added: "If that referee wants to be that petty, he should give the game away".

## THE WORLD'S GREATEST FOOTBALL SPECTACLE

SOUTH AMERICA will be the focal point for the eyes of millions of Soccer fans in 1978 for the staging of the next World Cup, for which the national squad is training in earnest.

This competition, conceived by Frenchman Jules Rimet, after whom it was originally named, ranks as an immortal name in French sport administration, alongside the founder of the modern Olympics, Baron Henri de Coubertin.

Rimet was of the opinion that international Soccer need no longer be confined to the Olympic Games.

In the 1920's, professionalism had taken root in many of the world's leading Soccer nations.

This professionalism was keeping nations like Hungary, England, France and Austria out of the Olympics and it was obvious Soccer needed a world outlet of its own.

Rimet and Henry Delaunay, secretary of the French Football Federation began laying the foundations by creating interest throughout Europe and South America, hoping to swing the major nations over to the idea of a World Cup.

Rimet revealed his original idea of the World Cup when president of FIFA in 1920.

But it was 10 years later when 25 of FIFA's 30 members voted in favour of establishing to hold a world wide knock-out competition every four years.

The first competition was held over a three week period in 1930 in Montevideo, Uruguay.

When the winning captain receives the trophy in 1978, as Franz Bechenbaur did in Munich in 1974, it will not be the Jules Rimet Cup, but the FIFA World Cup.

Brazil made the Jules Rimet Cup their Permanent property by winning it for a third time in 1970.

The new trophy which West Germany won in 1974, made of 18-carat gold and worth \$25,000, will remain FIFA's property and the winners receive a small replica.

Italians Silvio Gazzaniga and Bertoni Milano were chosen after a world wide competition to sculpture the new trophy.

Uruguay, who had won the 1924 and 1928 Olympic Soccer medals won the right to stage the initial World Cup, with only 13 nations taking part.

European nations, which included the four British home associations, did not

participate and, Uruguay came back from a 2-1 deficit to beat Argentina 4-2 in the final.

Uruguay did not defend its title in Italy in 1934, largely through a players' strike and political upheaval.

Czechoslovakia took a 1-0 lead in the final but Italy got up to win in extra time.

Italy bettered that performance in 1938 by winning the final in front of a hostile French crowd, beating the host nation 4-2 in Paris.

The Second World War naturally called a temporary halt to proceedings and it was 1950 before Brazil hosted the next World Cup, England competing for the first time.

A crowd of 200,000 still exists to this day, packed the Maracana Stadium in Rio De Janeiro in anticipation of seeing Brazil crowned World Champions, but Uruguay collected its second Cup with a brilliant 2-1 victory.

Hungary was unbeaten for five years and was considered to have a mortgage on the 1954 Cup in Switzerland, but Germany took the crown at odds of about 20-1.

Sweden hosted the 1958 World Cup and in the final took the lead at Stockholm's Rasunda Stadium. But in what is still considered one of the most electrifying exhibitions yet in the history of the competition, Brazil stormed home to win 5-2.

Brazil in 1962 went on to win its second Cup, closer to home in Chile, with Czechoslovakia the victims.

Then came 1966 and one of the most controversial of all World Cups. South American teams claimed FIFA officials went out of their way to help the host nation England win, which they did by beating West Germany 4-2 in extra time.

Even to this day, West Germans are not convinced the ball had crossed the line for England's all important third goal.

In Mexico in 1970, Brazil won all six finals matches and took care of Italy in the final for their third World Cup.

1974 was a momentous year for Australia with the Socceroos qualifying for the first time, along with previously unheard of Soccer nations like Zaire.

But in the final, the brilliance of the West Germans prevailed, Der Bomber Gerd Muller scoring the winning goal in 2-1 win over the Netherlands.

Who will it be in 1978?



## THE WORLD CUP, 1976

### EUROPE

*Group 1:* Poland, Portugal, Denmark, Cyprus; *Group 2:* Italy, England, Finland, Luxembourg; *Group 3:* East Germany, Austria, Turkey, Malta; *Group 4:* Holland, Belgium, N. Ireland, Iceland; *Group 5:* Bulgaria, France, Eire; *Group 6:* Sweden, Switzerland, Norway; *Group 7:* Scotland, Czechoslovakia, Wales; *Group 8:* Yugoslavia, Spain, Rumania; *Group 9:* Russia, Hungary, Greece.

*Group winners qualify for finals, except winners of Group 9 who play a South American side for a place in the Finals.*

### SOUTH AMERICA

*Group 1:* Brazil, Paraguay, Columbia; *Group 2:* Uruguay, Bolivia, Venezuela; *Group 3:* Chile, Peru, Ecuador.

*Winning teams play a round robin. Best two qualify for finals. Third plays winner of Europe, Group 9.*

### NORTH AMERICAN—CARIBBEAN

*Group 1:* Canada, Mexico, U.S.A.; *Group 2:* Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador, Costa Rica, Panama; *Group 3:* Nether-Antilles, Barbados, Cuba, Guyana, Haiti.

*Winners play off for finals place.*

### ASIA

*Group 1:* Hong Kong, Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand; *Group 2:* Israel, Japan, North Korea, South Korea; *Group 3:* Iran, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Syria; *Group 4:* Bahrain, Kuwait, United Arab Republic, Qatar; *Group 5:* Australia, New Zealand, Taiwan.

*Winners play off for finals place.*

### AFRICA

*Group 1:* Algeria, Lybia; *Group 2:* Morocco, Tunisia; *Group 3:* Ghana, Guinea; *Group 4:* Senegal, Togo; *Group 5:* Zaire Central African Emirates; *Group 6:* Winner of Sierra Leone v Niger, Nigeria; *Group 7:* Congo, Cameroun; *Group 8:* Winner of Upper Volta v Mauretania, Ivory Coast; *Group 9:* Egypt, Ethiopia; *Group 10:* Sudan, Kenya; *Group 11:* Uganda, Tanzania; *Group 12:* Zambia, Malawi.

*The winners of each pair of groups (e.g. 1 and 2, 3 and 4) will play each other and the winners will play again when three teams are left—one each from group 1-4, 5-8 and 9-12 they will play off for the finals place.*

West Germany (holders) and Argentina (hosts) automatically qualify for finals.

## Q'land Under 16 Squad

COACH Rags Tatters has named an initial squad of 16 to train for the National Youth Championships in Melbourne from August 28 to September 5.

The final squad will be named after three prospects from country centres have been evaluated following further trial games.

The squad is: Tony Scanlan (Annerley), Sergio Giabon (North Brisbane), Greg Peterson (Grange-Thistle), Bruce Dinsdale (Taringa), Stan Dunlop (Annerley), Steve Bayliss (St. George), Mark Aponas (The Gap), Scott Lacey (Annerley), Trevor Taylor (Annerley), Murray Kitching (Coalstars), Ken Swan (The Gap), Mark Brusasco (The Gap), Robert Johnson (North Brisbane), Mervyn Kickbush (Grange-Thistle), Gino Bortoli (North Brisbane), Dirk Van Den Heuvel (Lions).

## QUOTABLE QUOTES

"My team played like animals for the first 20 minutes. I want no part of that type of football. We were a disgrace to the paying customers." — Mt. Gravatt's Jimmy Rogers.

"There's no point putting up the nets, neither side can score goals." — Col Kitching on St. Helens/Coalstars match.

"I accept Jimmy Rogers' apology and wish Mt. Gravatt the best of luck for the remainder of the season." — City coach Nereo Saftich.

"Tell your player to get on with it and take that corner." — Jack Wood to Ian Steele.

"You tell him you're the referee." — Ian Steele to Jack Wood.

"The fourth division match I refereed yesterday was of a better standard than this." — Prominent referee after controlling recent First Division match.

"There must be something wrong with him if he can't get that one." — Kim Wishart to teammate when his winger failed to grab hold of a loose clearance.

## To Coach or Not to Coach

By Queensland Director of Coaching,

FRED KINGSHOTT

I WAS most interested in the answers of the questions put to the three coaches in last month's Soccer Times.

The question, "what is the best way to improve the local standard" was of particular interest. The three coaches agreed it was most important that qualified coaches be appointed to coach all teams from 12 years and upwards.

This is not anything new. The coaches Federation has been advocating this for many years and in most cases it has fallen on deaf ears.

Evidence of the poor quality of coaching given to juniors over the last decade has been shown in the declining standard of Soccer in Brisbane in the last few years.

Have a look at some of the so called stars today — some of them have difficulty executing basic skills.

You can blame who or whatever you like — the League structure, the referees, Malcolm Fraser or Sir John Kerr — but if you know anything about this game of Soccer, I believe you will come to the same conclusion as myself.

It is most important to see that at long last a few clubs are seeing the importance of having good coaching. It might be the time to ask what the Coaches Federation's role is in all this.

Our main aim is to improve the standard of Soccer and through better coaching we achieve this in many ways.

Junior coaching camps are run every May school holidays throughout the State. We are able to look closely at the juniors and make assessments in relation to standard reached.

We have the Basic, Preliminary and Senior award coaching courses. Each month we are holding practical demonstrations, covering many facets of the game and to date we are averaging 50 people per session.

The feedback from the coaches is most encouraging and among the comments is that this type of demonstration had completely changed their attitude to coaching.

At the moment this is being done on a very small scale and it is hoped to extend this type of programme to all parts of Brisbane in the new year.

The one thing that remains a mystery is the apathy shown by most coaches in the top divisions against joining the Soccer Coaches Federation.

It can be said that in any organisation, in time it needs new faces, new ideas, different opinions and we are no exception. This is the Federation's lifeblood.

Then in the same way these coaches can learn from us. We have a small squad of staff coaches who give what little free time they have back to Soccer.

Conditions for coaching are slowly improving, there's no doubt about that, but always remember the junior coach who does it all for nothing needs help and guidance.

So what better way for the top coaches to give something back to the game than to show a willingness to lend a helping hand?

We have an abundance of talent in the junior ranks, the equal of anywhere in the world, the only difference is that it is abused and misused.

It needs good coaching, encouragement and it needs a standard to look up to. If we fail these juniors, in the long run it will be the coaches who suffer, when they sit down to select their team and see just what they have to choose from.



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