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SATURDAY night sees the end of yet another season (unless of course there is a draw in the Grand Final) and in many ways Soccer didn't really set the world on fire in 1976.

From the Federation's point of view, they could not have wished for a closer finish in the premiership competition.

Although City walked away with the premiership, the composition of the final four was in doubt until about 4.45 p.m. on the Sunday of the final round.

Football wise, the season was somewhat of a disappointment, as in all honesty, there once again was not any marked improvement in the standard.

There were of course some great matches and some teams on occasions did produce football worthy of mention — but on the other hand there were too many games where the overall presentation was well below what should be expected.

On the State scene, Queensland started well enough with a draw against Metro Toronto but then a gamble on youth failed dismally when a team of untried youngsters were beaten 1 - 0 by the A.C.T.

In retrospect however the result might not have been all that disastrous when it's considered the A.C.T. was prepared by Jim Shoulder, who later was appointed National Coach.

A dreadful performance against Sunderland, when the State side was completely outclassed, was followed on a far happier note by the outstanding effort against Hong Kong, when the team should have been successful, instead of going down through that tragic own goal.

Hopefully, with the acquisition of Denis Ford, the State side can look to better things next season, and also with Ford's expertise, we may see an uplifting of the Club standard of football.

But where there's life there's hope - and GO SOCCER can see plenty of hope for next season with the long awaited start of the National League.

It's to be hoped that Brisbane City and Lions - who GO SOCCER wishes every success — will receive the necessary support and that common sense prevails to safeguard the interests of the other First Division Clubs.

WE'LL BE BACK

AS this is the last edition of GO SOCCER for the 1976 season, we would like to take this opportunity to thank those Clubs who lent their support to make this publication possible at such short notice. Most of the First Division Clubs were behind us in the way of advertising and all Clubs generally were anxious to keep the programme alive. Special thanks goes to some of the smaller Clubs who gave assistance, particularly Mitchelton, Annerley and Goodna.

Next season GO SOCCER will resume, hopefully with more pages, to cover National League, First Division and lower division competitions.

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The New Favourites

"PLEASE don't make us the favourites"—was the plea from city coach NEREO SAFTICH during the week leading up to Saturday night's Grand Final, the climax of the season.

Saftich's wishes probably will be granted. As the season has drawn to a close, it has become increasingly obvious that City are now starting to feel the pressure of being for the most part the State's top Club.

City have so far won everything going but Lions finally got their measure in the major semi-final and some rated City a little lucky to get past Redlands in the preliminary final.

But City did get there and if only for the strength they have displayed for the greater part of the season, nobody will be surprised if they can bounce back and clinch the only remaining trophy of the season.

The added incentive for Saturday night of course is the \$1,000 cash award offered by Carlton and United Breweries. That amount of bread will be invaluable for either Club as they prepare for next year's assault on the National League.

City last week used Peter Eilman at left back in place of Ian Perry and Derek Pimm for Billy Haigh, who later did everything asked of him by coming on in the second half to score City's two goals.

Saftich early in the week could make no suggestion about a likely combination but it's our guess he will use the tried and tested players — if fully fit — who have served him so well this season for Saturday night's big assignment.

Everything seems to be going just as planned for Lions. Coach Scheinflug has had the team improving steadily for some weeks, an aim he set himself when taking over at Richlands. With the two week's break, there are no apparent injury worries and the only question mark is whether Scheinflug will again have Ron Harland and Ian Lawrie as fresh reserves or use either or both from the outset.

Lions in many people's eyes will start favourites — and deservedly so, but the City players are desperately keen to annex the one remaining major trophy — and GO SOCCER thinks they will.

Good Year for Gold Coast

has had one of its most successful seasons since the Club's formation in 1963. Finishing third on the 2nd Division ladder and just missing out on goal average for promotion to the top Division is the highest position United has ever attained in the Brisbane competition.

Locally, the 3rd team, better known as the Dolphins, have won everything bar the booby prize, and in the Tancred Trophy, United's own pre-season knockout competition defeated Wynnum in the final on penalties after a thrilling two-all draw. Again, locally, United last weekend added another cup to their collection when they won the Twin Towns six-a-side carnival with the highlight being the clash of United's A versus B in the semi-finals, which again was decided on penalties after a 3-all draw.

However, it is not just on the field that United has won many friends from other Clubs but socially they have been equal to none.

Their supporters must rank as the best around and the Dolphin choir is the envy of other Clubs. For a Club that is completely amateur with the only paid person the Coach today's Grand Final is quite an achievement.

United made it the hard way, however, with a draw against Mitchelton, extra time and then a replay in the semi-final, plus a draw with Annerley eventually winning in extra-time in the preliminary final.

In league fixture encounters, Wynnum and United are one each both winning at home making to-day's match pretty even.

UNITED'S TEAM PEN PICTURES

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GOALKEEPER — Ernie Bargewell — Former American Gridiron player who was originally from Yorkshire.

RIGHT-BACK — Graham Hayward — popularly known as Kiwi. Turned 21 a few months ago and improves every game.

LEFT BACK — Brian Smith — a hard, tough tackler and President of the Club.

RIGHT CENTRE HALF—Mike Wilson — formerly with St. George when they were known as Hellenic. Played in United's winning Grand Final side 4 years ago.

LEFT CENTRE HALF — Wes Parsons — only 17 years old but very talented and can also score goals — has enough potential for representative honours.

MIDFIELD — Alan Shaw — also a member of United's team 4 years ago, non stop worker with a flair for doing the impossible.

MIDFIELD — Billy Ferguson — captain, scotsman who played regularly with Arncliffe in Sydney, another dynamo in the Bremner style.

FORWARDS — Dave Robbins — very dangerous around goal and gets one in nearly every match. Should be in the Queensland team.

FORWARD — Barry Parsons, like greased lightning with a soccer brain to match. Quite studious teacher type off the field but crafty on it.

FORWARD — Dennis Dodd — scored two against Annerley, formerly with Preston North End as a junior.

FORWARD — Mickey Baker — goal scoring machine who on his day can beat any defence.

RESERVES -

Dave Spence — unlucky not to be in the side but injured a few games back and cannot get back in.

Roy Newman — another talented player who has played most of the season in the side.

Eddie Dwight — Club stalwart for many years, part of the backbone of the Club.

Derek Smith — hard tackler, non-stop player who gives 100% every time he plays.

Nobby Bryant — reserve keeper who has substituted more than capably when Ernie Bargewell was injured.

TO THE EDITOR . . .

Dear Sir.

I would like to ask you a few interesting questions. Why can't Soccer Clubs have their country's names? For example, Lions, Brisbane City and St. George and and a lot more Clubs all are different nationalities and they might want their country's names as their Club names.

And I hear that's not allowed. I was wondering if you could give me a reasonable answer for this. I am a big Soccer team supporter and I am not too sure as to why you are not allowed to have your country's name for your Club.

I hope you have understood my letter and if possible could you print it in GO SOCCER, hopefully with an answer to my request.

D. MAT.

(The only thing we can say is that all Clubs, as members of the Federation Council of Clubs, decided at an annual general meeting some time back to abolish national names. There was some resistance to the proposal but obviously the majority were in favour of the change—Editor).

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WILL HISTORY REPEAT ITSELF?

THIS was the question we posed last week with the story about the 1969 preliminary final, which City (then Azzurri) disposed of St. George (Hellenic) for the right to play Lions (Hollandia) in the Grand Final of that year.

With the two teams scheduled to meet again on Saturday night seven years later, let's have a look at that final, which Hollandia won 3 - 0.

The Courier-Mail of September 29, 1969 takes up the story: "Hollandia-Inala won the 1969 Soccer Grand Final at the Exhibition Ground yesterday with a well deserved 3-0 victory over Azzurri.

Despite the clear cut margin, the match was full of interest as the gallant Azzurri side was not beaten until the full time whistle.

The well drilled Hollandia defence was the key to success in the match played before a crowd of 12,000.

This tenacious four strong backline of defenders never made a costly mistake against a sometimes hesitant Azzurri attack.

Full Back Jon Van Klaveren again belied his appearance with some perfect tackling and his constant supremacy in the air was always a stumbling block to Azzurri.

Van Klaveren was well supported by the reliable Ben Mollee, who was forced out of retirement earlier this year when Hollandia was stricken with injuries.

But the performances of these two were not far ahead of their two cobackline defenders, Peter Steen and Ernie Deavin.

As was the case when Hollandia was successful in the semi-finals, halfback Hugh Montgomery and coach Hans Peterson combined for the first Hollandia goal.

Right winger Alan Villers outwitted Azzurri fullback Bruno Pinti on the wing in the 25th minute and crossed perfectly into the Azzurri goalmouth.

Peterson, who was under pressure in the penalty area, backheeled to Montgomery and a crashing left foot drive from the Irish halfback flashed past goalkeeper Dave Neal.

During the first half, Pinti and right fullback Clive Dyson were folding up under pressure and coach Nereo Saftich surprised when he made no defence changes at half time.

It was obvious that wingers Villers and Peterson were being given too much room in which to move and in fact both of Hollandia's second half goals stemmed from the wing positions.

Azzurri was impressive in attack in the first half but left winger Ian Johnston was well bottled up by Deavin while Mollee took care of Gerry Schoendorfer on the right wing.

After the interval, Azzurri hammered away at the Hollandia defence for 10 minutes with some splendid constructive football searching for the equaliser.

In this session, with the tight Hollandia defence in top gear, Azzurri lost the chance to get back into the match. Peterson set up Hollandia's second goal, 20 minutes into the second half, when he raced effortlessly down the left wing and slipped a pass to centre forward Dale Mortimer who was unmarked in the middle.

Mortimer turned and rammed a curling shot past Neal and the Azzurri defence finally showed signs of falling apart. The final goal, again set up by Montgomery and Peterson was the simplest of the match.

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Neal watched helplessly as a cross from the left wing went to Villers, who had all the time he needed to direct a header into

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Centre half Peter Nielsen again was the best Azzurri player and had it not been for his great defence, the winning margin could have been even higher.

But he did not have enough support to be on a grand final winning side as key players like Matt Hosie, centre forward Dave Keen and inside left Mick Anthony all played well below their best.

Apart from Nielsen, the best Azzurri players who were at least close to top form were left half Dave Sargent, goal-keeper Neal and in patches, winger Johnston.

The entire Hollandia defence, including keeper Kim Renfers was faultless and the others prominent were halfback Gary Wilkins and Peterson.

AZZURRI

- 1. DAVID NEAL
- 2. CLIVE DYSON
- 3. BRUNO PINTI
- 4. MATT HOSIE
- 5. PETER NIELSEN
- 6. DAVE SARGENT
- 7. GERRY SCHOENDORFER
- 8. BILLY HAIGH
- 9. DAVID KEEN
- 10. MICK ANTHONY
- 11. IAN JOHNSTON

Coach: NEREO SAFTICH

HOLLANDIA

- 1. KIM RENFERS
- 2. ERNIE DEAVIN
- 3. BEN MOLLEE
- 4. JON VAN KLAVEREN
- 5. PETER STEEN
- 6. GARY WILKINS
- 7. ALAN VILLERS
- 8. HUGH MONTGOMERY
- 9. DALE MORTIMER
- 10. DARRYL WILKINS
- 11. HANS PETERSON

Coach: HANS PETERSON

RUMOUR REFUTED

LAST week we mentioned a rumour that the Mt. Gravatt Club was interested in signing Grange Thistle trio Ritchie Wilson Tony Bailey and Jim Arncliffe.

This has been flatly denied by Mt. Gravatt secretary, Lorraine Howson, who said the Club had not even discussed playing staff for next season, let alone naming names.

"It has always been our policy to stick with the youngsters the Club produces itself. We have many good youngsters coming up through the junior ranks so we will probably be relying on them again next season," Lorraine says.

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GOODNA GOING GREAT

GOODNA Districts Soccer Club has finished a most successful year in which the Club was successful in three out of four Grand Finals it contested recently.

Championship teams were the Club's Sixth Division senior side, which also won the premiership and junior under 11 and under 13 teams.

By the time you read this however, Goodna's score could be four out of five as their under 15 side was scheduled to meet Mitchelton in the Grand Final at Oxley last Tuesday night.

At Goodna's recent annual presentation night, management committee member Tom Vaughan presented the following trophies. The awards in each Division are for Best and Fairest Player, Most Improved Player and Best Team Member.

These were the winning players: Under 7, P. McLees, M. Custance, J. New; Under 8, C. Melchek, A. Barker, J. Mullen; Under 9, P. Grant, R. Essom, T. New; Under 10, P. Watson, R. Barkmeyer, F. Byrne; Under 11, G. Blewer, S. Williams, G. Mar; Under 12D, P. Downes, G. Storey, R. Gargan; Under 12C, G. Watson, M. Montano, D. Coalter; Under 13D, A. Somerfield, A. Franklin, A. Gartner; Under 13B, S. Madden, G. Watson, D.

Weston, Under 15, G. Curry, M. Nugent, S. Weston; Under 18, A. Mullins, S. Grimshaw, C. Farmer; Eighth Division, C. Maclot, W. Saunders, D. Pabriks; Sixth Division, T. Madden, J. Toner, W. Robinson.

Other Special Awards were:

Most Outstanding Junior S. Madden; Most Outstanding Senior, B. Thompson; Most Outstanding Junior Coach, L. Mullins:

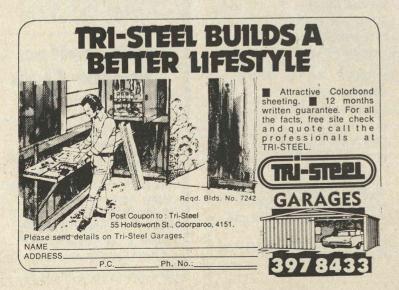
Most Outstanding Junior Manager, D. New.

The President's Trophy was won by T. McLees.

Grand Final Prizes

AT least two people — a player and a spectator — will have no trouble telling the time after Saturday night.

The player judged best in the Grand Final will receive his timepiece from Robinsons Sports Store, to be presented by Mr. Errold La Franz and a spectator will receive the National Semiconductor Digital watch for purchasing the lucky edition of GO SOCCER. Listen for details at the Grand Final.



Balancing the Defence

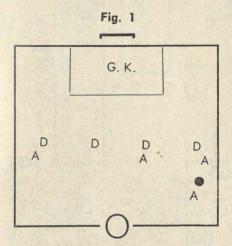
GO SOCCER

by DENIS FORD, State Director of Coaching

HAVING watched a fair amount of senior football over the past few weeks it has come to my attention that one of the main faults in defensive play has been LACK OF DEPTH in the Back Four. The situation as shown in Fig. 1 has occurred time and again.

However if the attacking side decide to play FOUR men up front OR the front Striker lays onto the Sweeper then the back four still faces problems as in Fig. 3.

Fig. 3



G. K.

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A1

A1

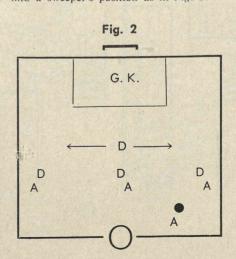
In this situation a ball played through the defence will not only beat one man but will beat ALL four back players. In other words the defence is SQUARE.

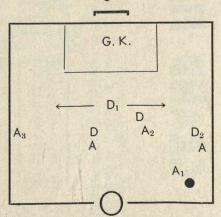
This fault can partly be corrected by dropping one of the Centre Halves back into a sweeper's position as in Fig. 2.

Back four play can be vastly improved if the Full Backs are taught to balance the defence. In Fig. 3 if A_1 plays to A_2 then D_1 (the R.B.) is definitely out of the game.

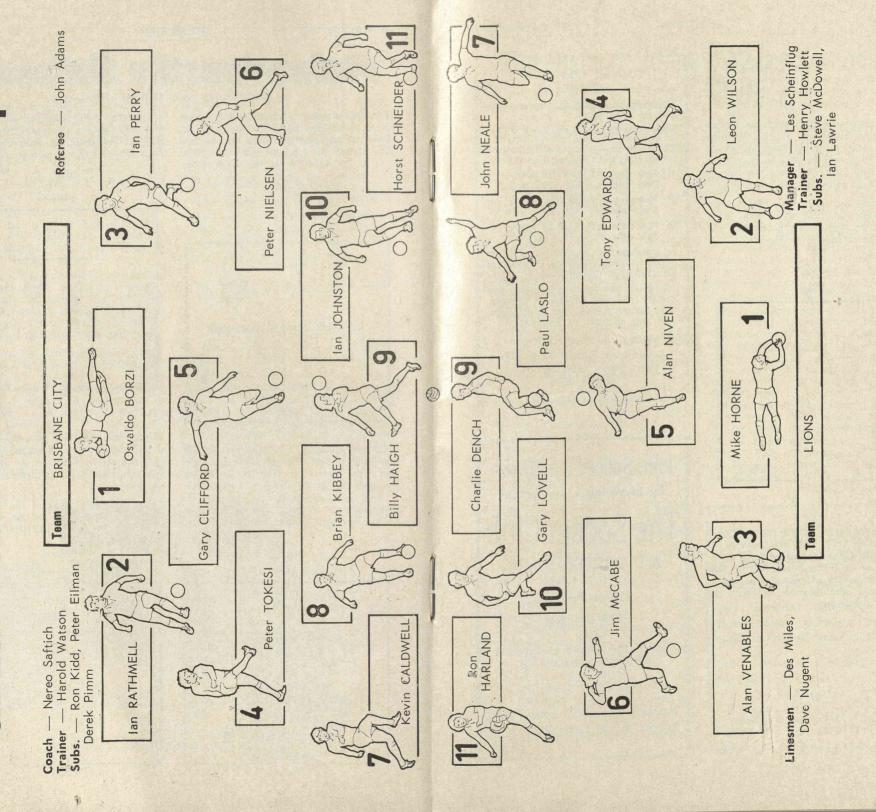
In the above situation the right Full Back can himself act as the spare man or sweeper by getting BEHIND the back man as in Fig. 4

Fig. 4





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 D_1 can now cover the Centre Half and cut out the most DIRECT THREAT to goal — the through ball into space for A_2 . Also he can cover the Centre Half if the ball is played to the feet of A_2 .

If D_1 positions himself correctly he can also "Mark" his winger A_3 . By the time the ball takes to travel from A_1 to A_3 the Full Back will be able to cover that distance, and either intercept the ball or shut down A_3 as he receives the ball.

If A_1 does hit the long ball to A_3 then the left Full Back (D_2) should now make tracks to get behind his back man and balance the defence as in Fig 5.

While running into these positions Full Backs should not just ball watch but instead keep glancing around to see where their winger is. When established in their position behind the defence the Full Backs should make sure they can see both the ball and their winger.

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This is the first step in a plan to ensure that by next August when State Zone Championships are held that at least, every Zone team will have a fully qualified Coach.

The second step is to hold Coaching Courses early in 1977 in the 7 Zones to enable another 70 Coaches to endeavour to qualify for the Preliminary Certificate.

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A Look at the Clubs

HERE is a run down on the First Division Clubs and how they fared this season:

CITY: Obviously deserved their success and coach Saftich was fortunate in being able to field much the same team for most of the season through lack of injury worries. Played the most attractive football of any team and only now starting to feel the effects of the long season.

LIONS: Disappointed many by some of their displays during the year but look to be reaching the goals they aimed for under Les Scheinflug. Although they just managed to slip into second place at the death, they were quite obviously the most superior team, apart from the premiership winners.

MERTON: Very consistent during the year under Lucas Remedios, without setting the world alight in any of their matches. Always looked certain of making the final four and probably would have gone a lot further had they played football in the knockout semi-final.

REDLANDS: A very fine effort to reach the preliminary final and Eric Pattison had the code buzzing when his team charged to near the top of the table at the beginning of the season. Their style of football was very basic but it paid dividends and it was only towards the end that their fine effort looked like flagging.

EAGLES: Coach Matt Carson did a good job with this team, which notched some very impressive wins but at the same time lost ground by drawing a number of matches they should have won. That undoubtedly cost them a place in the finals but they will obviously be a force to be reckoned with next year.

ST. GEORGE: One of the enigmas of the First Division and again appeared to have suffered from internal troubles in regards to coaching. Eventual coach Tom Devine did all expected of him and it's unfortunate the team left it's run just a little too late. A win over North Brisbane in the last round would have sealed things but they should be one of the forces next year.

NORTHS: Never really looked a premiership threat but Syd Tucker did enough with a limited squad to keep his team in the firing line for the semi-finals. The Club's Polish players were obviously an asset but it should look at the possibility of promoting juniors for the future.

MT. GRAVATT: Jimmy Rogers' side was threatened by relegation at one stage but they finished the season in a blaze of glory. The Club's attitude in promoting local talent is one worthy of success and they look certain to maintain that policy. Some of the players overdid the rough stuff a little and it's not necessary as they are all players with a future.

ST. HELENS: Started in great style under Al Warren but heavily hit by injuries and the attitude of some players during the year. On occasions produced free flowing football to match any side in the competition. The side is still very young and plays to the death so it could make its mark felt in 1977.

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BARDON: Gibby Rowan had the unenviable task of being manager and player-coach, a position not many others would accept. His Club was also hit by the loss of many players, mainly through suspensions but they still managed to produce some upset victories. The Club has another young talent to improve next season.

COALSTARS: It's quite obvious this Club at the moment does not have the dedication necessary to be a force in the First Division, which is quite a pity judging by the young local talent it has at its disposal in the Colts team and many junior sides. Unless it changes its outlook Coalstars will have a tough job climbing back from the Second Division.

THISTLE: The effort of this Club will go down as one of the major mysteries of recent First Division competitions. They say there always has to be a woodenspooner but in the last few years there has not been one with such an abundance of talent. Provided they keep all current players, they should be back at the top by 1978.

KEEPING IT CLEAN . . .

FOR the last time this season, we announce the six winners in the special project conducted by the Keep Australia Beautiful Council (Queensland Division).

The six people listed below have each won a carton of Coca Cola and a carton of Carlton United beer for depositing their rubbish, with their names and addresses attached, on the bags supplied at Perry Park.

By this time, each of the winners will have been advised by post how to collect their prizes. All of the weekly winners at the end of the season are in the running to win a trip to Sydney for two.

Here is the list of winners — Anne Bell,

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Roz Wagner,

25 Carwoola St., Bardon

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Lia Trevisan,

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TO THE EDITOR . . .

Dear Sin

Last Sunday week I was disgusted to see the little row of "Brisbane City committee PEACOCKS" line up to receive the team's trophies.

Surely the trophy ceremony is the ultimate congratulation for the team, instead of the slap in the face they were given before a major semi-final.

Brisbane City committee surely owe their team and its captain an apology for this disgusting exhibition and maybe Mr. Bill Waddell also for his thoughtfulness.

An ex Brisbane City supporter, G. CULBRETTA, New Farm

(We think that's the contributor's name it was a little hard to decipher—Editor)

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"GO SOCCER" AWARDS

NOW that most of the various awards have been handed out again, it's time for GO SOCCER to come up with a few of our own for the 1976 season:

BEST PLAYER: Paul Laslo — and in making that decision we have taken into account his outstanding display against Hong Kong, most consistent Club form and exemplary behaviour on the field.

BEST REFEREE: We'd probably start too many arguments by making an outright choice but we liked the way Dieter Klose generally got on with the game and at times even took a bit from the players with a smile.

WORST REFEREE: Too hard to name.

BEST COACH: We've gone for Eric Pattison for his effort in blending experience and youth to enable Redlands to get as far as the preliminary final in their first season.

BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENTS:

Player-wise — John Dann, who would not curb his temperament to let-his full ability come to the fore; match-wise — The loss to the A.C.T.; generally — the football standard.

BEST CLUB: Brisbane City — Won everything this year and has the chance to scoop the pool.

MOST UNDER-RATED PLAYER: Eagles John Cochrane.

MOST IMPROVED PLAYER: City's Peter Tokesi, who matured greatly and will be a tremendous asset in National League.

GOAL OF THE YEAR: Tony Brennan's against St. George on June 6 when he gained possession on the half-way line, beat three players and scored from the edge of the box.

MOST CANDID COACH: Jimmy Rogers, who called his Mt. Gravatt players a "bunch of animals" after their match against Brisbane City.

BEST OWN GOALS: Tony Edwards against Hong Kong, and Neil Catchpole, who scored from near the halfway line against St. George on March 28.

BIGGEST BOO-BOO: St. George's five Cypriot imports. The venture did absolutely nothing for the game.

BEST Q.S.F. ASSET: Efficient secretary, Alan Vessey.

GREATEST TRAGEDY: Getting Steve Dolan and Kim Wishart into National team then having them dropped because the side was beaten 2-0 by Hong Kong.

BIGGEST FLOP: Night Football.

BIGGEST SUCCESSFUL GAMBLE: St. George's challenge match against City, one of the few real promotions of the season.

UNLUCKIEST TEAM: Gold Coast for missing out on promotion on goal average.

WEEKEND MATCHES

SATURDAY: Reserve Grade Grand Final Lions v North Brisbane (Ebbw Vale, 2.45 p.m.)

Colts Grand Final — Lions v Coalstars (Ebbw Vale, 12.50 p.m.)

SUNDAY: Eighth Division Grand Final Salisbury v RAAF (Elder Park, 2.45 p.m.)

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TO THE EDITOR . . .

Dear Sir,

9th October, 1976

I find it quite amazing that Redlands had three players up before the disciplinary committee on their third cautions yet two of them were cleared to play in last week's preliminary final.

Fair enough Barry Kelso had his appeal against the third caution upheld. That's the luck of the game.

But Ron Millman had his appeal dismissed, yet the disciplinary took the unprecedented step of giving him a suspended sentence.

Is it possible, the committee was told that the preliminary final would have been a grossly one sided affair had Redlands lost a player of Millman's ability?

Or is it just that I had to go and watch the Club I support, which only escaped from relegation in the closing stages of the season, play with on one occasion four players put through suspension?

I would hate to think that players can get away with breaking the rules just because the Federation might think it would affect the gate.

GORDON MILGATE, Sherwood.

General Meeting

AS a follow up to the veterans over 40 team which played matches against Noumea earlier this year, a committee has been formed for the purpose of developing a Oueensland Veterans Soccer Club.

The Club has several objectives planned one of these being a return visit to Noumea.

A general meeting will be held at Perry Park on Monday night, October 11 and all players who participated in the earlier matches, or any other interested parties are welcome to attend and discuss the new Club over a beer.

The committee is looking for new and old ideas to make the planned Club a success. For any more enquiries, contact George Pagan.

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SETTING AN EXAMPLE

IN last week's interview with Eagles president, Stan Jackson, he said the Club ran so well because of the attitude of the players, who chip in and help out when they can.

This week we can relate a story which further backs up Stan's claims. At a training run last Thursday week, the Eagles First Division players were told that the Club's under 9B team was playing in its Grand Final against Merton that weekend.

No fewer than nine of the Club's A Grade men turned up to lend support, which must have paid dividends as Eagles' youngsters won the match 2 - 0.

Goalkeeper John Bennett even gave some hints to his young counterpart before the game. The other Eagles players who offered their support to the youngsters were Michael O'Toole, John Cochrane, Greg Jackson, Alan Marszaleck, Ivars Melberg, Tony Brennan, Ken Gordon and Shay Smyth. They deserve special mention.

OUR STATE TEAM

GO SOCCER obviously disagrees with the State team officials in some regards, judging by this team, which we think would have been the strongest selected. Goalkeeper, Ross Kelly; fullbacks, Ian Rathmell, Ian Perry; centre backs, Tony Edwards, Alan Marszaleck; midfielders, Steve Dolan, John Neale, Ian Johnston; strikers, Paul Laslo, Alan Marley, Kevin Caldwell. Reserve striker or midfielder, Billy Fagan.

And for the future, how would this be for a squad to put into training in the hope of developing a young State side for the near future. This squad is based on form displayed throughout the season.

Goalkeepers, John Bennett, Sam Mancini; defenders, John Cochrane, Noel Conserdyne, Rod Stein, Peter Tokesi, Gary Fisher; midfielders, Chris Hill, Ritchie Wilson, Gary Kathage, Ian Lawrie, Iain Fagan; strikers, Gary Bromfield, Tony Brennan, Barry Kelso, Paul Mylonas, Steve McDowell.

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