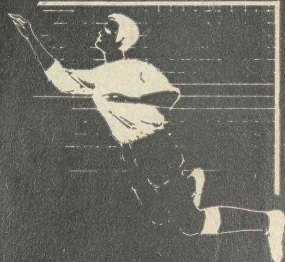




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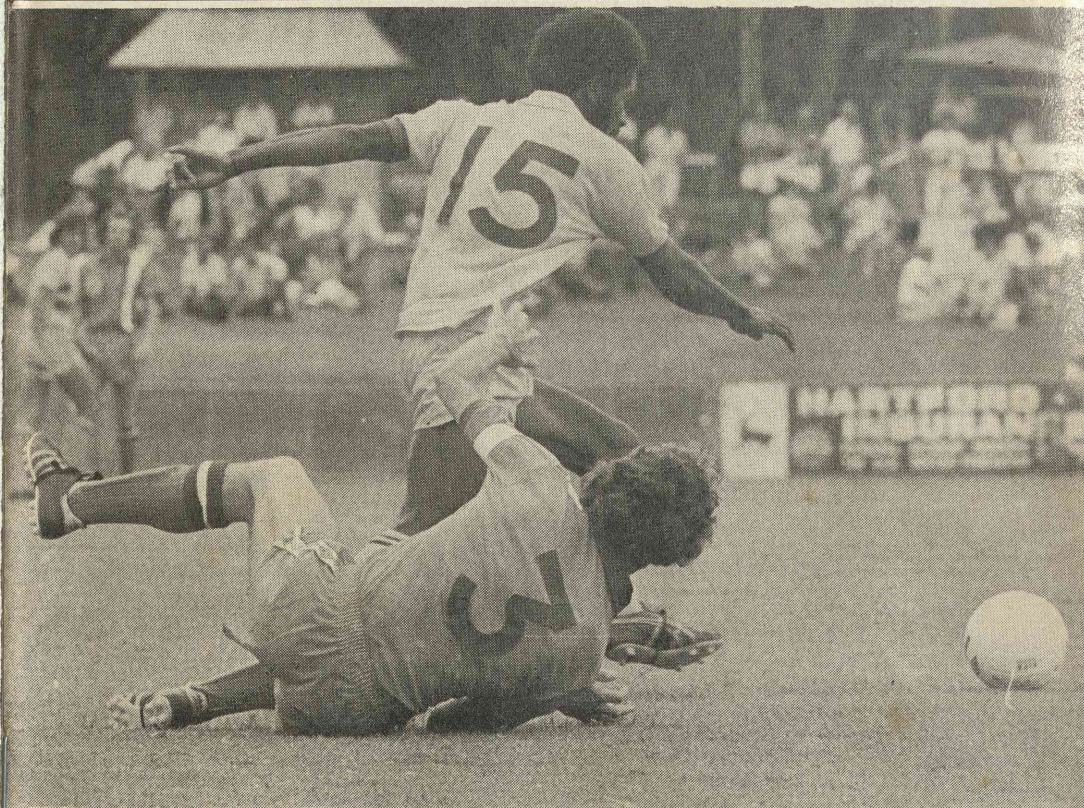


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LIONS' left fullback Alan Niven slides in pursuit of Kenny Kawalevu during the recent Philips League match against Canberra City. Niven will be a key figure again this Sunday for Lions against Sydney Olympic.

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WITH the euphoria of the Philips League still lingering strongly, it would be easy to imagine all is becoming a bed of roses.

The two League sides are performing reasonably well, media coverage has been adequate and home crowds for the first three rounds have been most encouraging. But while most clubs, particularly in the First Division, are pleased with the way the code, to outsiders, is booming, there are very real concerns for their own personal well-being.

The worst fears of the First Division clubs have been realised with the switch to Saturday football. Admittedly there are reasonably healthy gates at some of the matches, particularly those involving the leading teams in the competition.

But from all reports, only a handful of spectators are attending many of the matches on outside grounds. One club official this week when congratulated for his team's capture of two points replied: "That's great. But our club and at least five others will be broke by the end of the season."

The club's despair and pessimism is understandable — but are they trying to help themselves. Only a handful of officials bother to contact the press every week with important newsworthy items about their First Division matches. It seems many have given up the ghost and resigned themselves to the fact that they are all washed up.

Even the threat of a fine does not spur a 100 per cent submission of First Division lineups for publication in Friday morning's Courier-Mail.

It seems there are three alternatives to the confessed plight of most of the First Division clubs.

1 — An all-out venture into promotion to at least give the Saturday games a chance of becoming viable propositions.

2 — Mergers with some Second Division and Lower Division clubs which seem to have a bit of money to throw around. Let's face it, one of the biggest problems has always been that there are far too many clubs battling for attention. Amalgamations en masse may well be an answer.

3 — Next season, First Division clubs should become purely amateur. At least that way, meagre gate takings and canteen proceeds would be clear profit, after the referee and linesmen are paid. There would be many players totally against this latter suggestion. But what would be the difference. Some of the clubs can't afford to pay them now as professionals.

FIRST DIVISION FIXTURES NEXT WEEKEND

ROUND 8

SATURDAY, APRIL 30 —

St. George v. Bardon (Goodwin Park)

St. Helens v. Richlands (Ebbw Vale)

Spencer Park v. Wynnum (Spencer Pk)

MONDAY, MAY 2 —

Redlands v. Annerley (Cleveland)

North Brisbane v. Merton (Perry Park)

Mt. Gravatt v. Eagles (Heath Park)

Coach's Viewpoint ALL FOR NOTHING

By
Queensland
Director of
Coaching
DENIS FORD



THE game between Brisbane City and Eastern Suburbs at the weekend highlighted once more that no matter what kind of quality football is played in midfield, it is all for nothing if the final pass, cross or shot is misplaced.

There can be no doubt that Eastern Suburbs is one of the classiest teams in Australia, paying beautiful ground football to feet and always supporting the man on the ball EARLY, therefore allowing one and two touch football to be played.

However in the final third their inability to penetrate Brisbane City's defence was blatantly obvious. This inability sprang from poor quality crosses, poor quality shooting and players' unwillingness to attack men with the ball.

In order for crosses to be effective they must either be hit beyond the far post or dropped short of the near post. If they are dropped beyond the far post then it is very difficult for the goalkeeper to intercept, as he would normally have to jump whilst running backwards.

The attacker can either head for goal or lay the ball back for one of his teammates. Crosses dropped short of the near post are also difficult for the goalkeeper to reach. Attackers should time their runs to arrive there at the same time as the ball.

These near post balls should be hit relatively low, thereby nullifying any height advantage centre halves may have. Eastern Suburbs hit the majority of their crosses into the area between the edge of the penalty area and the six yard

line where the centre halves Hermiston and Takesi had a field day.

As for Brisbane City I thought they played very well in defence and at times threatened in attack. It is obvious that Brisbane teams in training must practise the quick break from defence and that the players must start to realise when to break quick and when to retain possession, and attack with more care and patience.

All too often City won the ball and immediately gave it away by hitting a long, hopeful ball into space. Still, it was an excellent and well deserved point for City. Well done lads.

Week-end Referees

RICHLANDS v. NORTHS —
Referee — Jack Wood
Linesmen — Ray Bennett,
John Folling
MERTON v. ST. GEORGE —
Referee — Fritz Prass
Linesmen — Barry Such, Des Miles
ANNERLEY v. UNITED —
Referee — John Adams
Linesmen — Brian Luxton,
Ron Richmond
BARDON v. REDLANDS —
Referee — Ron Richmond
Linesmen — John Adams,
Frank Trimarchi
WYNNUM v. MT. GRAVATT —
Referee — Dave Nugent
Linesmen — Fritz Prass,
Albert Zanco
EAGLES v. SAINTS —
Referee — Deiter Klose
Linesmen — Jack Wood,
Karl Bornkessel

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THE PREMIERSHIP IN REVIEW

FEW who saw North Brisbane draw 1-1 with Annerley, then go down to St. Helens in the second round, would have envisaged Syd Tucker's boys being joint leaders at the end of six rounds.

But that's exactly what they have done, after rolling, in succession—Mt. Gravatt, Spencer Park, Wynnum and last Saturday Eagles.

And all this with one of the stars of the Eagles victory centre back Richard Shortman on the transfer list at \$2,600.

Obvious highlight of the match was the great display of finishing by the flying Kas Biedak. Two of his goals were opportunist efforts, resulting from very poor and uncharacteristic Eagles defence, with the other two products of plain good football and Ian Steele's skill.

Apart from Ritchie Wilson's boomer in the 24th minute Eagles had little to enthuse over, although Jim McCabe and Tony Brennan hit the upright at both extremities of the match.

Alan Marszaleck has been playing well below his best form and many feel he is a far better proposition at centre half, where he made such a big impression last season.

Eagles are a far better side than what they have shown in their last two matches, while Norths, with continued strong defence from Bob Dobinson, Shortman, Jock Krawiec and Bob Barlow look headed for much more success.

The less said about the St. George-Richlands match the better, in view of the cowardly and disgraceful incident after the match. Just when the game is really starting to boom here we can do without publicity of that nature.

St. George, now that they have disposed of the last remaining unbeaten side, are equal top with Norths, and are starting to live up to their promise of the first two rounds.

Little Billy Fagan continues to motivate the mid field for the full 90 minutes, and more importantly, he's starting to get amongst the goals again. The only slur against St. George's performance was losing replacement striker Nigel Rehbock during the second half.

Big Charlie Dench continues to show the way up front for Richlands and he is now on the verge of possible reward via a Philips League appearance for Lions.

Poor old Billy Haigh. He must have been having nightmares in his first stint as a First Division coach, watching his Mt. Gravatt lads lose their first five games, scoring only one goal along the way.

Everything comes to those who wait the saying goes, but Haigh, sidelined with the mumps, missed his big moment when Mt. Gravatt pulled off the shock of the round with their 1-0 win over Spencer Park.

Michael Brzozowski's timely header from a corner was enough to do the trick and he had some great support throughout from Mike Preston, Peter Morris, Harry and John Stewart.

Wayne Warren had a match he no doubt would like to forget when the Saints drew 1-1 with Wynnum, to remain in the premiership firing line.

Under-rated goalkeeper Trevor Godden kept Wynnum in the picture in the face of an all out Saints assault in the first 25 minutes.

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But shortly after, Saints went one up. Jeff Dann's free kick found Gavin Johnston, whose angled shot hit the upright but he was able to follow through and despatch the rebound.

Young Warren dived with danger a number of times attempting to find Ross Jenkins with back passes, but with 10 minutes left, one eluded the 'keeper to hand Wynnum their gift equaliser.

Bardon lost a player via the red card for the second week running when they slumped 4-0 to Annerley, after trailing 1-0 at the break.

Annerley are the real surprise packets of the competition with their eight points enabling them to occupy third place on the table on goal average. Tom Gray made it 1-0 at the break, and the tally was added to by Nigel Cairns, Wendell Henderson and Dugald Campbell in a second half flooded by heavy rain.

With Trevor Catchpole suspended, Graham Meagher moved into the middle of the backline with Jim Quinn going to right fullback, but they had to contend with Merton, led by Steve Dolan's constant probing gaining the upper hand territorially in the first half.

Barry Kelso picked up a loose ball waist high in the goalmouth after the break and slammed it home, and from then on, Redlands started to play their most attractive football.

The consistent John Deegan continues to supply much of the Redlands power from the midfield, with Ron Millman again getting through all the unrewarding and hard running up front.

Having tipped correctly four out of six matches, including the Saints-Wynnum draw (United and Eagles let us down in the win department), GO SOCCER has a look at round 7 this weekend.

And are there some toughies. The Richlands clash between the home side and Norths should be a cracker, and it could obviously go either way. St. George, in their current frame of mind should be too strong for Merton while another toss of the coin job is the Annerley-United match.

In Monday's games, Eagles should be ready to shake off their slump when they meet Saints, who might just have a few newcomers however in their lineup. Bardon will be tested again this week against Redlands and the Wynnum-Mt. Gravatt match is the third match impossible to forecast with any confidence.

WEEKEND TIPS: Richlands, St. George, Eagles, and Redlands — with two top draw prospects this week — Annerley v. United and Wynnum v. Mt. Gravatt.

Leading Premiership Goalscorers

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- 7: KEN GORDON (Eagles)
- 6: BARRY KELSO (Redlands)
- 5: KEVIN CALDWELL (United)
ALAN MARSZALECK (Eagles)
IAN STEELE (Norths)
CHARLIE DENCH (Richlands)
- 3: TONY EDWARDS (St. George)
NICK KRITIKOU (St. George)
RON MILLMAN (Redlands)
LASLO KORAKNAI (Richlands)
JOHN DANN (St. Helens)
LEN POLLOCK (Norths)
NIGEL CAIRNS (Annerley)
- 2: MICHAEL ROONEY (Annerley)
NEIL DOCHERTY (Bardon)
PETER LELLIOTT (Wynnum)
GARY BROMFIELD (Sunnyside)
TREVOR BROADBENT (St. Helens)
DEREK PIMM (United)
STEVEN CLARK (United)
EDDIE WILKINS (Wynnum)
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Diary of a Memorable Match

Brisbane City v Eastern Suburbs

3 minutes: First sign of City aggression as Echeverria pushes through a pass and Robertson forced to concede a corner past goalkeeper Clarke.

4: Easts skipper Mowbray supplies perfect through ball to Stevenson but he's foiled by great smothering save from Borzi.

7: Echeverria and Conner combine with some good leadup but Johnston's subsequent left foot shot easily grabbed by Clarke.

9: Hermiston and Tokesi's defence split wide open when Watson sends Stevenson away down the middle, but he misses a great chace with only Borzi to beat.

19: Sylva does not like aggressive tackle from Hermiston and referee Nugent spots his foul in back play and shows him the yellow card.

32: Slack defence in the City penalty area as two players fail to clear, leaving Watson with a shot but he blasts over the top.

33: Great chance for City. Lavelle makes lot of ground from left back position and finds Conner, whose pass splits the line. Johnston pauses trying for better angle and right foot shot but it is eventually charged down by an Easts defender.

48: First chance for Easts in second half, with Lutton shooting over the bar.

49: City take a corner and Rathmell lets loose with powerful left footer which Clarke punches over the bar. From the next corner desperate Easts defence saves the day with Tokesi and Johnston trying to head loose ball home.

51: Strong Easts buildup ends with Muniz heading wide.

57: Echeverria gives another great ball to Conner, who lobs from deep on the right wing with Clarke retreating but it floats just wide.

60: Conner and Johnson produce some brilliant stuff on the half way line which ends with Coyne being set up but he also takes too long and weak shot is scrambled away.

61: Easts bounce back almost immediately and Silva has a chance but also shoots over the bar.

64: Free kick taken quickly by Lutton. He finds Smith, who shoots from a long way out and Borzi pounces to make a fine save at the right hand post.

67: Coyne and O'Connor come to grips and couple of punches thrown. Nugent warns both players.

72: Chaldi makes a change for Easts, replacing Watson with Barnes.

75: Echeverria feeling effects of leg injury and is replaced by Herdle after fine debut.

80: Caldwell, Coyne's replacement races away and is hacked down from behind by Mullen, who gets a yellow card.

86: Concerted attacking by Easts, results in Borzi being stranded out of goalmouth, but Pimblett forces Stevenson's shot away for a corner. Seconds later, Easts look dangerous again but Barnes crashes a shot wide.

89: Johnston also receives a caution for his professional foul on Lutton, who was heading menacingly towards Borzi.

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Western Suburbs v Brisbane Lions

LIONS travelled to Sydney last Saturday in order that they could have a night's stay in Sydney before their game against Wests the Philips League pacemakers. And pacemakers they are with a vengeance this super side has yet to concede a goal in three matches and are scoring prolifically into the bargain.

Coach Mike Laing has to be very pleased with their efforts so far, this being in contrast to Lions' Les Schienflug who must be wondering what he has to do to get Lions on to the goal trail.

This is a most important factor for when a side is not scoring goals the psychological barrier gets greater as the weeks pass. Lions fielded

McKenzie

Wilson Potter Bennet Niven

Fagan Walker Neale

Hughes Parks Laslo

and for 40 minutes the boys gave a polished performance in the art of cover defence and mid field build up — two very essential parts of a successful, co-ordinated side.

Then chance took a hand and a thirty metre speculation shot gave Roddy McKenzie no chance as it screamed into the postage stamp corner, the goalkeeper's nightmare spot. This was a shocking blow to Lions as not long after McKenzie was in the wars, receiving a knock on the head and having to be substituted at half time by Phil Dendo. So once again the Gods seemed to be against Lions, 0-1 down away from home and not really creating too many problems up front against a truly impregnable defence. Despite this it must be said that the other two goals scored by Wests were not brilliantly conceived moves, but rather the result of some scrambling play following upon two set pieces.

So all in all the score rather flattered Wests or made a very good Lions defence look poor on paper. This latter was not true, as coach Les Schienflug was very pleased with his back four and middle three but admits he is lacking penetration up front. This is an age old problem and is not solved easily so we must all be patient and hope that the good work being done by the team gradually works



Paul Laslo (Lions) Ron Harland (Lions)

its way forward until it is firing on all cylinders.

Lions play Perry Park on Sunday and with a bit of good old fashioned home town support may just improve a little bit more and fulfil the promise we all know is in the team.

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At 17, Jim signed with Aberdeen, serving his apprenticeship during two seasons in the reserves, making the first team at 19, and staying on as a regular member until he joined the Police Force in 1975.

Playing through his career with Aberdeen mostly as a fullback, but often in the midfield, Jim was made captain of the club in the 1973-74 season, just before the club toured Australia.

Upon his return to Scotland, after hearing he had been named in Scotland's World Cup Squad, Jim eventually became disillusioned with the game. He was failing to secure enjoyment from playing and training, and on top of that, when he thought about coming to Australia, Aberdeen placed a transfer fee of £80,000 on his head.

It was then he joined the Police Force, and subsequently, after finally securing a free transfer from Aberdeen, with whom he played in 362 first team matches, decided on the move to Brisbane, through

his correspondence with Thistle manager George Pagan.

Jim rates West German's Helmut Haller, who played for Juventus against Aberdeen in a European Cupwinner's Cup match, as the best player he has opposed.

One of the highlights of his career was when Aberdeen downed Celtic 3-1 in the 1970 Scottish Cup final before a crowd of 105,000 at Hampden Park. In the 1972 and 1973 seasons, Aberdeen were runners up in the championship, both times to Celtic.

He rates the Philips League standard in Australia as the equal of Scottish First Division and on a par with the top half of the English Second Division.

Back in Scotland, he says, the game has become more of a business, and consequently a lot of the pleasure and enjoyment is secondary. He hopes it never gets to that stage here.

During the Thistle ball skills course, Jim will be stressing his philosophy that a lot of hard work and sacrifice is necessary if players hope to achieve the skills to make them above the ordinary.

But those sacrifices will only serve to increase the individual's enjoyment he derives from the game — and that's what top/class soccer is all about.

LINESMAN'S VIEW

TERRIFIC, First Rate, Stupendous, Exciting, all the superlatives were used or can be used to describe the titanic struggle last Sunday at Perry Park. If this is what is dished up when the top team meets the bottom team, Philips League must surely prosper.

The most synical of soccer fans could not possibly have found anything of great importance to criticise in this match, it only lacked one thing, goals, and even that probably went unnoticed until long after the final whistle had been blown and all our pulse rates returned to normal.

Hakoah came to us as the team of all stars, every player in their side was an international or had had overseas professional experience. They are all that is good in soccer, skilled, fit, fast and have to the credit of Gerry Chaldi their coach, an almost overwhelming urge to go forward at all times as soon as they gain possession.

Being undefeated and with a month old "hiding" of Brisbane City to psych them up, they came to Brisbane understandably confident of doing well and finished up, like others before them just perhaps a little wiser than when they arrived.

This Brisbane City team need fear no one in the Philips League. They improve with every outing and when these players have played together as often as their Hakoah counterparts they will indeed be a side to be reckoned with.

Peter Tokesi was a giant amongst giants Sunday last. This lad has played three times with the best professional in Australia, Jim Hermiston and under his promptings and advice is now beginning to "out Hermiston" Hermiston, not that Jim will mind this for with this growing stature in Tokesi's game Hermiston is being given free rein to wander into mid field and isn't that striking terror into a few hearts down south.

His pin point long and short passing game had Alec Robertson screaming at his mid field and defence to get back and pick up attackers. Ian Kesson sneaked another quiet one in last week with the inclusion of John Lavelle at full back. This quiet, stylish player snuffed Joe Watson out of the game so much so that he was finally substituted by Chaldi. With Ian Rathmell lifting his game to unpre-

cedented heights the whole City back line had a look of Ayers Rock about it.

In mid field Frank Pimblett did a tremendous amount of work and not until the last ten minutes did Irish international Bertie Lutton begin to look dangerous.

Two South Americans did battle in mid field and as the score suggests honours came out even, though the class of Muniz the current Socceroo was very evident.

The new import for City, Echiverra, made a tremendous difference and with some understanding build up between he and the other players, and the non stop aggression of Larry Gaffney, City will be well served in any company.

Up front City scintillated. Willie Connors in this mood can play in any company. He had Kevin Mullen at sixes and sevens on the left wing and many thought when he switched wings, "Ole Energy" Mowbray would tame him but Willie cared not, he jinked, swerved and kidded this most experienced full back into all sorts of contortions.

Ian Johnson played his usual hard bruising game and only blotted his copy book once when he, the recognised master of the volley hesitated, stopped the ball, and the chance was gone. John Coyne is a grossly underestimated player by a section of the Brisbane City support. This is surprising for Italy gave the world the patient build up game perfected today by the Germans.

Don't look for this bloke outstripping a defence by 20 yards and scoring, it just isn't his job. Watch for him holding and shielding the ball. Watch for him dragging defenders away from Johnson. Watch for him working back into mid field to win the ball away from opponents. Watch for him jumping to and winning his fair share of high, badly played passes, against opponents who are usually taller than him. Having watched for all this remember he is only in the country six weeks and then give him encouragement when he does make a mistake which like all players he does.

When the same player was substituted some of the composure and build up went out of the side and that is a measure of his contribution.

Talking of substitutes brings us to

another City problem. Hakoah brought on as a substitute Murray Barnes, the current Australian international and to be honest how this boy can be kept on a bench is truly a real eye opener to the Brisbane public.

He is a tall elegant player who had touches of class in everything he did and it was only when he came on, City's defence began to look pregnable and it was at this time Tokesi showed his vast improvement with strong last ditch tackles and gut tearing runs out of defence when his stockings had long since been reduced to ankle guards, but Barnes was a perfect substitute, he pressured.

All this sounds too good to be true but it's all happening at Perry Park for City just now. On Sunday they had eleven men on the field working for each other in a skilful, professional manner. This game stood comparison with many seen on our nightly T.V. shows and if City can keep supplying the goods the people will roll up in their thousands.

READERS' FORUM

Dear Sir,

How about some news on our First Division and lower Division games instead of each week filling this magazine with Philips League news?

For instance, the game Annerley v. Merton East at Heath Park on Saturday, April 2 was, from a spectators' point of view, as interesting and thrilling as any League game. The final score was 3-2 in favour of Annerley but it could have gone either way until the final whistle.

A word of encouragement to Annerley, at present in the middle of the points table on their return to First Division — good luck lads. Welcome to the new Scottish forward Dugald Campbell and young players Tom Gray and Ian Guthrie making their debuts in top division. Keep the points coming.

An Annerley Fan

EDITOR'S NOTE—All clubs, either through a recent council meeting or invitations through GO SOCCER, have been requested to submit copy applying to their respective clubs. The response, as usual, has been almost non-existent. When club officials or supporters get around to putting pen to paper, or telephoning the editor we will be happy to satisfy the request of the above person.

The difference in this side can be measured in goals, 6 in the last 5 weeks, that is indeed improvement. Good to see Willie Connors' ears flapping when Jim Hermiston talks. Hope he was telling him not to let Mowbray get away from him so easily as he did in the second half.

Hope Ian Johnson gets back to shooting on sight, remember Ian, half a chance is better than none. Hope Larry Gaffney can keep these legs pumping all through the second half, pace it Larry, you may need it at a crucial time.

Hope all the lads remember not to start running with the ball in midfield, that caused their only bad spell just before halftime. With correction of these small faults and the resultant improvement they'll have to close the gates at Perry Park in two weeks time. Bring back the points next week lads, we'll all be back for more in a fortnight.

Insideman

Dear Sir,

In the very interesting contribution recently in GO SOCCER entitled Linesman's View was a remark which I will quote: "People sat from 2.15 watching a nice green patch of grass in front of them. At 2.50, Marconi took the field."

Why must we spectators have to sit/stand around waiting 45 minutes for the main game? Surely a break of 15 minutes is ample. I feel sure there are many supporters who, like myself, become irritated with this unnecessary waiting around, and I would not be surprised if there are some who will be kept away by this long waiting period, especially if the weather is inclement — very wet, or cold and windy.

I'm wondering why there is a new scoreboard — presumably erected at the northern end of the park. Surely this new board could have been placed where it would not restrict the spectators' view. I sit at the northern end and though it doesn't obstruct my view it certainly does for those who used to sit in their cars in that area behind the board.

Surely it could have been erected behind the northern goal near the fence. I would like to thank Karen Grega and Insideman for two very interesting letters. I wish I could produce similar ones. May GO SOCCER go from strength to strength and full marks to the editor for his editorials.

Soccer Oldie, 12 Reid St. Woolloongabba

Dear Sir,

A few weeks ago, before the Philips League started, there were reports in the news media about how much coverage Soccer would get on TV. There was even talk there would be direct telecasts of some matches.

And now that the Philips League is here, what do we get? Channel 0 shows replays at 10.30 on Monday nights. I am not complaining about the programme which is very well presented, but about the time.

How can school children watch the programme at 10.30 at night? After all, the school children are the future of Australian Soccer. I have heard dozens and dozens of complaints from kids, who would like to watch but are not allowed to, because it is on too late.

C. Janssen, Acacia Ridge

EDITOR'S NOTE — It was reported in the minutes of a recent council meeting that the clubs, through the management committee, were organising a petition to Channel 0, requesting that the Top Soccer programme be shown at an earlier time.

Dear Sir,

Over the last few seasons I have been subjected to farcical displays of refereeing from one Des Miles only to be completely shattered to read recently that he is NOW a fully fledged FIFA referee and thus eligible to referee World Cup games.

Therefore imagine my disgust and dismay to read in GO SOCCER on 8 April the opinion of Denis Ford (the Queensland Director of Coaching) who stated —

"Last, but not least, congratulations should go to the referee Des Miles, who gave one of the best displays I've seen in Queensland football" — with reference to the game between Brisbane City and Marconi.

Mr. Ford apparently also has a very limited knowledge of the game and I fail to see how these two men can justifiably continue to hold their positions.

For my money, Peter Rampley (referee Queensland v. A.C.T.) is worth his weight in gold and the local lads would do well to observe his decisions and rulings.

Yours in the interest of better and brighter soccer,

I Salvatierra
3 Ramita St., Holland Pk West

Dear Sir,

ONLY a passing thought caused by a rather dark menacing cloud last Sunday. Perry Park is now attracting crowds of three to six thousand every week and we must hope that will increase.

Isn't it about time some sort of cover be made available for the spectators who pay \$2 for admission. In a downpour, say early in a game, people would get mighty uncomfortable if soaked through.

Knowing the cost of grandstands to be totally prohibitive isn't it about time TRI-STEEL were called in to see if they can reproduce something a-la-Richlands.

Come on Perry Park Trust, Club, whatever you've had eight years and luck can't last forever even in sunny Queensland.

Bill Paterson, Inala

P.S.—

Not to mention the better atmosphere created by echoing sound in an enclosure.

A Look at Olympic

SYDNEY OLYMPIC S.F.C. was formed in October, 1976, to keep alive and hopefully continue where Pan Hellenic Sporting Club left off. Its objective is to cater for the thousands of Pan Hellenic fans who will never forget their very humble but exciting beginning, when Pan Hellenic S.C. was founded in 1957 by a very few but dedicated soccer enthusiasts.

Pan Hellenic's fortunes alternated from the average team to second best. As its record shows, in 1958, the club won the second division Championship but had to wait for two more years before joining the N.S.W. 1st Division when in 1960, Pan Hellenic became the second division Premiers.

In the top company they were amongst the best teams in the competition without ever being able to reach the pinnacle, however several times they came very close, when they qualified in 1961, 1963, 1968 and 1975 to the First Division Semi-Finals and in 1968 to the Grand Final.

In 1965 and 1969 the team reached the finals of the Federation Cup and Ampol Cup respectively.

With such a history and background to be upheld, Sydney Olympic S.F.C. has its work cut out, but with the help of its fans and sponsors, the future looks brighter.

1967, 1974, 1975 Ampol Cup semi-finalists.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC PEN PICTURES

GARY MEIER — Local born goalkeeper, with fine reflexes and great courage, who has been solid in the first three rounds as the last link in defence.

BERNIE CULLERTON — Hard tackling right fullback, who has been a member of the club for a few seasons, when it played as Pan Hellenic.

GREG LYNCH — Most promising young player, tipped as future national representative. Is playing on loan this year from Eastern Suburbs.

GEORGE GIBSON — One of the most experienced players in the country, having come here this year from Scottish club Falkirk, where he played for many seasons. Backbone of the defence and the team captain.

PAUL LUCKETT — Has been impressive in early games and usually plays at left fullback. Came from Manchester United.

JOE SENKALSKI — Brisbane people will remember this player as outstanding young member of Northern New South Wales side in national youth championships a few years back. Has matured greatly and one of the Olympic's best attacking players.

GREG ALLAN — One of the players to have come up through the junior ranks and brother of one of the team's strikers, Don.

MIKE CROSS: Another of the imports from Manchester United and is an aggressive and strong midfield player.

DON ALLAN: Has been very mobile in Olympic's early matches. Local product and will have to be watched closely by the Lions backline.

RAY BOTHAM — The team's star striker. Last season was a member of Manchester United's first team squad. Very quick with a blistering right foot shot.

CHRIS THAMNIDES — Greek born player who has been with the club for quite a few years. Youngster with plenty of ability.

BILLY PALMER — Local product and handy player to have in reserves if extra punch up front is needed.

BRIAN PARKER — One of the many players in the squad who is product of junior ranks and a long-serving member of Pan Hellenic team in the past.

NEIL MALONE — Utility player. Local born and will probably start Sunday's match on the bench.

HECTOR KARAKOSTAS — Reserve keeper and a very agile and capable back-up to Meier.

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POINTS TABLES

FIRST DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
NORTHS	6	4	1	1	20	9	9
ST. GEORGE	6	4	1	1	13	6	9
ANERLEY	6	3	2	1	12	6	8
RICHLANDS	6	3	2	1	11	6	8
S. PARK UTD.	6	4	—	2	15	9	8
EAGLES	6	3	1	2	23	12	7
ST. HELENS	6	2	2	2	8	10	6
REDLANDS	6	3	—	3	11	12	6
WYNNUM	6	1	3	2	8	13	5
MERTON	6	1	1	4	3	9	3
MT. GRAVATT	6	1	—	5	2	14	2
BARDON	6	—	1	5	5	25	1

RESERVE GRADE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
NORTHS	6	5	1	—	14	2	11
ANERLEY	6	5	1	—	17	6	11
EAGLES	6	4	1	1	12	8	9
RICHLANDS	6	4	—	2	22	8	8
REDLANDS	6	2	3	1	14	9	7
S. PARK UTD.	6	3	—	3	10	15	6
ST. HELENS	6	2	1	3	13	12	5
MT. GRAVATT	6	1	2	3	12	16	4
BARDON	6	2	—	4	11	22	4
WYNNUM	6	1	1	4	6	12	3
MERTON	6	1	1	4	6	15	3
ST. GEORGE	6	—	1	5	5	17	1

SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
SOUTHS	3	3	—	—	12	1	6
SUNNYSIDE	3	2	1	—	8	3	5
COALSTARS	3	1	2	—	9	5	4
THISTLE	2	1	1	—	7	3	3
TRIDENT	3	1	1	1	5	4	3
MITCHELTON	3	1	1	1	5	6	3
TARINGA	3	1	1	1	4	5	3
OXLEY	3	1	1	1	6	9	3
AC. RIDGE	3	—	2	1	6	7	2
FORT. VALLEY	3	—	1	2	4	10	1
REDCLIFFE	3	—	1	2	3	11	1
GOLD COAST	2	—	—	2	0	5	0

SECOND DIVISION RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
COALSTARS	3	2	1	—	10	6	5
SOUTHS	3	2	1	—	9	6	5
THISTLE	3	2	—	—	6	2	4
MITCHELTON	3	2	—	1	6	5	4
OXLEY	3	1	1	1	7	6	3
FORT. VALLEY	3	1	1	1	8	9	3
REDCLIFFE	3	1	1	1	4	5	3
ACACIA RIDGE	3	1	1	1	10	11	3
GOLD COAST	2	1	—	1	8	3	2
SUNNYSIDE	3	1	—	2	4	5	2
TARINGA	3	—	—	3	4	8	0
TRIDENT	3	—	—	3	2	12	0

THIRD DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
ROVERS	3	2	1	—	7	1	5
NEWMARKET	3	2	1	—	5	3	5
DARRA	3	2	—	1	18	5	4
GROVELY	3	—	3	—	7	7	3
THE GAP	3	1	1	1	4	4	3
NORTH STAR	3	1	1	1	3	3	3
PINE RIVERS	3	1	1	1	5	6	3
ANERLEY	3	1	1	1	6	7	3
NERANG	3	1	1	1	3	6	3
ST. ALBANS	3	1	—	2	6	5	2
WIL'BURN	3	—	2	1	6	14	2
BOOVAL	3	—	—	3	3	12	0

FOURTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
INALA	3	3	—	—	15	1	6
SALISBURY	3	2	1	—	6	2	5
OLYMPIC	3	2	1	—	9	4	5
AC. RIDGE	3	2	—	1	12	5	4
THE GAP	3	2	—	1	7	4	4
TOOWONG	3	1	1	1	3	5	3
UNIVERSITY	3	1	—	2	11	10	2
DARRA	3	1	—	2	8	7	2
NEWMARKET	3	1	—	2	3	8	2
ROVERS	3	1	—	2	3	12	2
BRIGHTON	3	—	1	2	6	8	1
LOGAN	3	—	—	3	0	17	0

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FIFTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
GOODNA	3	3	—	—	14	2	6
TWIN TOWNS	3	3	—	—	13	3	6
PINE RIVERS	3	3	—	—	13	5	6
UNIVERSITY	3	2	1	—	10	1	5
PADUA	3	1	1	1	9	7	3
ST. ALBANS	3	1	1	1	4	4	3
WYNNUM	3	1	1	1	3	3	3
NTH. STAR	3	1	—	2	11	11	2
EAGLES	3	1	—	2	4	11	2
INDUSTRIAL	3	—	—	3	3	12	0
TARINGA	3	—	—	3	0	7	0
TOOWONG	3	—	—	3	3	21	0

SIXTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
MITCHELTON	3	3	—	—	14	5	6
DINMORE	3	2	1	—	3	1	5
KINGSRIDGE	3	2	—	1	22	2	4
ROCHEDALE	2	2	—	—	11	2	4
OLYMPIC	3	1	1	1	6	9	3
BAYSIDE	3	1	—	1	7	5	2
WACOL	3	1	—	1	7	7	2
NORTHSIDE	3	—	2	1	5	8	2
GROVELY	3	—	1	2	3	7	1
ST. MICHAELS	3	—	1	2	2	25	1
MT. GRAVATT	3	—	—	3	2	11	0

SEVENTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
SOUTHS	3	3	—	—	11	4	6
ADAMS PARK	3	3	—	—	15	7	6
SALISBURY	3	2	1	—	12	10	5
RAAF	3	2	—	1	11	4	4
GOODNA	3	2	—	1	10	7	4
NEW WORLD	3	1	1	1	14	14	3
NORTH PINE	2	1	—	1	2	4	2
THE GAP	3	1	—	2	10	13	2
NTH. BRIS.	3	1	—	2	7	10	2
NORTH STAR	3	—	—	3	5	8	0
ALBANY CK.	3	—	—	3	5	11	0
RICHLANDS	2	—	—	2	2	12	0

EIGHTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
ANERLEY	3	3	—	—	15	3	6
INALA	3	3	—	—	11	3	6
ST. GEORGE	3	3	—	—	14	5	6
REDCLIFFE	3	2	—	1	11	4	4
ROCHEDALE	3	2	—	1	9	5	4
PINE RIVERS	3	2	—	1	10	6	4
MERTON	3	1	—	2	5	5	2
BRIGHTON	3	1	—	2	2	6	2
POLICE	3	—	1	2	3	7	1
SALISBURY	3	—	1	2	5	10	1
ADAMS PARK	3	—	—	3	1	14	0
BAYSIDE	3	—	—	3	4	22	0

COLTS DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
THISTLE	7	5	2	—	25	5	12
NTH. BRIS.	7	5	2	—	13	4	12
GOLD COAST	7	5	1	1	29	7	11
COALSTARS	6	4	2	—	37	9	10
RICHLANDS	7	4	2	1	21	7	10
MITCHELTON	7	4	1	2	18	9	9
ST. HELENS	7	3	3	1	25	13	9
MERTON	7	3	2	2	14	11	8
REDCLIFFE	7	3	1	3	16	15	7
THE GAP	7	2	2	3	7	14	6
NEWMARKET	7	1	3	3	17	23	5
MT. GRAVATT	7	1	1	5	4	14	3
ST. GEORGE	6	1	1	4	6	29	3
ROCHEDALE	7	1	1	5	8	39	3
REDLANDS	7	—	2	5	6	29	2
VIRGINIA UTD.	7	—	—	7	6	24	0

Topical Tap-ins

THE drinks this weekend are on QSF secretary Alan Vessey, who collected TWO doubles last Saturday and Sunday at Perry Park.

Sitting on a 4-1 double, Alan was about to curse his usual bad luck when Kas Biedak darted between Harry Stewart and John Bennett to score his fourth goal in injury time. Alan was a lot happier at that stage than North Brisbane secretary, Karol Gawlick, who had a 3-1 double.

Then on Sunday, A.V. made it a double-double when he landed the nil-nil double for City-Easts Philips League match.

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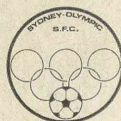
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- 4 COL BENNETT
- 5 ALAN NIVEN
- 6 ROY DRINKWATER
- 7 IAIN FAGAN
- 8 PAUL LASLO
- 9 JOHN NEALE
- 10 RON HARLAND
- 11 ALAN HUGHES
- 12 IAN LAWRIE
- 13 GERRY WALKER
- 14 ALAN VENABLES
- 15 IAN PARK
- 16 GEOFF MORRIS
- 17 LASLO KORAKNAI
- 18 CHARLIE DENCH
- 20 PHIL DENDO

Coach: LES SCHEINFLUG

SYDNEY OLYMPIC

- 1 GARY MEIER
- 2 BERNIE CULLERTON
- 3 GREG LYNCH
- 4 GEORGE GIBSON
- 5 PAUL LUCKETT
- 6 JOE SENKALSKI
- 7 GREG ALLAN
- 8 MIKE CROSS
- 9 DON ALLAN
- 10 RAY BOTHAM
- 11 CHRIS THAMNIDES
- 12 BILLY PALMER
- 13 BRIAN PARKER
- 14 NEIL MALONE
- 15 HECTOR KARAKOSTAS

Coach: BRUCE STOWELL

NEXT WEEKEND'S LEAGUE MATCHES

- Footscray v. West Adelaide
- Sydney Olympic v. Canberra City
- Brisbane City v. Mooroolbark
- Marconi v. South Melbourne
- St. George v. Eastern Suburbs
- Fitzroy United v. Lions
- Adelaide City v. Western Suburbs

PHILIPS LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
W. Suburbs	3	3	—	—	9	0	6
Adelaide City	3	2	1	—	6	0	5
E. Suburbs	3	2	1	—	7	4	5
W. Adelaide	3	2	—	1	7	2	4
Sth. Melbourne	3	1	2	—	5	3	4
Marconi	3	2	—	1	4	5	4
Fitzroy	3	1	1	1	4	4	3
St. George	3	1	1	1	4	5	3
Footscray	3	—	2	1	5	6	2
Canberra City	3	1	—	2	2	5	2
Brisbane City	3	—	1	2	2	4	1
Lions	3	—	1	2	0	4	1
Syd. Olympic	3	—	1	2	1	7	1
Mooroolbark	3	—	1	2	1	8	1