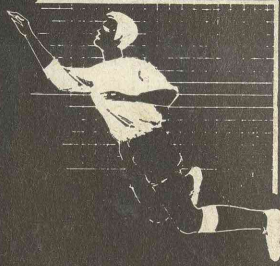




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BRISBANE City's mobile midfielder Larry Gaffney tussles with Sunnyside United's John Wilkinson during the recent City — Brisbane rep. side clash at Perry Park

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Editorial

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QUITE a mixed bag for the Philips League last weekend. Overall, the League created Australia-wide publicity, but not the kind it wants.

We refer to the hiatus in Adelaide at Hindmarsh Stadium, where crowd violence erupted and the West Adelaide club, quite rightly, was immediately heavily punished by the PSL organisation.

When one reads in the press where George Harris, the St. George fullback was one of the players attacked says: "Then this young Greek of about 30 tapped me on the shoulder and hit me with a hay-maker," the code, which has enjoyed a major boom because of the national competition, almost has to start all over again.

Migrant spectators have been, and always will be, a part and parcel of the game. That's understandable when Soccer is the only football played everywhere in the world. But it only takes one idiot to do something wrong and others will follow suit. Let's hope the penalties handed out by the PSL officials will have been heeded by every club in the country. Officials and players should be given every possible protection. There are many who feel, that had the reverse happened to Brisbane City a few weeks back when they played Lions, i.e. two players sent off by Dennis McDermott, the fuse that day might have been lit at Perry Park.

The other blot on the weekend was the condition under which Brisbane City had to play their match against Canberra City at Manuke Oval. City are quite correct in lodging a protest — not over the result — but about the state of the ground, with the PSL. Ian Kesson honestly concedes that Canberra City deserved to win, because they adjusted to the conditions much better by employing the use of the long ball, a la Ipswich style, instead of trying to play City's fluent, steady, midfield strength style.

But the fact remains that Philips League matches should not be played on a ground of this nature. Apart from the bad surface, there were a myriad of black lines criss-crossing the field, making it virtually impossible to tell exactly where the penalty areas and sidelines were. There were only two plus factors to come out of the game. Firstly, the Canberra City crowd of almost 2,000 strong never stopped chanting for the home side, unlike Brisbane supporters, who only get themselves going when they are in the mood. Sydney referee Richard Lorenc provided the other highlight of a game which generally should be forgotten by turning in a most consistent display, during which he tried all the time to make full use of the advantage situation.

WEEKEND REFEREES

RICHLANDS v. EAGLES

Referee — Des Miles
Linesmen — Mike Brine,
Peter Murray

BARDON v. SPENCER PARK

Referee — John Folling
Linesmen — Mike Brine,
Peter Murray

NORTH BRISBANE v. ANNERLEY

Referee — Jack Wood
Linesmen — Brian Luxton,
Geoff Brabrook

ST. GEORGE v. ST. HELENS

Referee — Fritz Prass
Linesmen — Bill Monteverdi,
Ron Richmond

REDLANDS v. MT. GRAVATT

Referee — Leo Lewandowski
Linesmen — Deiter Klose,
Col Amos

MERTON v. WYNNUM

Referee — Dave Nugent
Linesmen — Bob Nelson,
Barry Such

POINTS to PONDER

Sunnyside, after recent defeats will probably cast an eye at transfer market once again as club is determined to get to first division. Eye will no doubt turn to Spencer Park where some players are reported to be seeking moves over Tony Lowndes affair. Peter Nielsen also reported to be available no doubt Terry Brown will raise an eyebrow, as Peter is an Ipswich resident.

—oOo—

Tony Lowndes, gone from Spencer Park app ars to have landed at Valley's. If so couldn't have happened at a worse time as his new charges were thrashed 7 — 1 by the Hermiston inspired Thistle, now apparently moving into top gear in their promotion charge. Tony, being the effervescent type won't let that worry him and will get on with the job. United's Derek Pimm also on his way to Valleys.

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Referee John Folling chose a bad week to attempt to draw comparisons between Philips League players and First Division players, (Reader's Forum 13th May.) John says PL players are professionals and differ greatly from those involved in First Division. Wonder if leading referees' instructor and PL referee Dennis McDermott (Lions v. Brisbane City) agrees with him?

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Wonder if GO SOCCER editor Bruce Waddell will get his facts right, as John requests and hopes, despite apparently having three out of four correct and the other fact half correct. 85 out of 100 is not a bad score!

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Another "young" referee caught the eye two weeks back, Barry Such, who seems to have developed new style completely over last two seasons. Motto seems to be "Quietly does it." Great handling of St. Helens v. Bardon game. Keep up the good work Barry.

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Eagles not too happy with Steve Dolan affair, after all the spade work had been done and his fee reduced by 33%. Wonder why the block factor hadn't been raised

before. Wonder if some other club will now take the bait.

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Going around some First Division games GO SOCCER wonders how long some clubs can last with the Saturday crowds. It's like old song about ten beer bottles, soon there will be none.

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Sydney paper reporting large planned assault on Philips League by Australian Yugoslav community. Talk of super team being sponsored by all major community areas. Step in the right direction? \$200,000 already in till. Interesting thought. Ethnic amalgamations, truly national league in more ways than one. Italy, Greece, Holland, England, Yugoslavia, Australia, etc. Food for thought, far ahead but nevertheless?

—oOo—

All this talk of Jim Hermiston's loan fees etc. Beckenbaur reported to have signed a preliminary three year contract with Cosmos for 2.6 million dollars. America, the next home of super soccer.

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Lot of rumbles 2 weeks ago about reported \$2 charge for Brisbane City v. 1st Division select. City should watch it if true. Don't kill the goose that lays the golden egg, obviously not an old Italian proverb.

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Let's hear from all you readers in Readers Forum. It's your magazine, thanks for buying it. See you next week.

SLIP OF THE TONGUE

REFEREE Jack Wood, who we might add had another top match in control of Lions-Marconi game at Perry Park last Sunday, was asked after the match who were the two players to receive the yellow card.

Jack replied No. 15 for Lions, which was Ian Park and added: "The player booked from Marconi was the No. 9, Mickey Rooney." Sorry Michael, bad luck Jim.

TALES OF AN IPSWICH GRANDFATHER

By Reg Erskine

THE man with the whistle, Reg Gregor, now a referees' inspector, had a real "peach" of a whistle — it may have been trademarked Thunderer, as it could be heard well and truly, and you knew when he was refereeing at the Gabba, back in the 20's. You could really hear that whistle.

And Bill Mitchell, former Bundamba, Queensland and Australian goalkeeper — he absolutely detested the whistle of an Ipswich referee. In his day club matches did not have official linesmen and the ref, generally stood at the back and slightly to the side of the 'keeper to watch the ball in flight. "Spots" said that this particular whistle sent the blast reverberating through his head for minutes afterwards. It was blown only feet from his ear to signify the taking of a corner kick.

At Blackstone during the mid twenties, the referee was presented with the Cup for which the match was played. Granted it was a schoolboy match, Ipswich against Brisbane for the McGregor Cup, still the symbol of supremacy between the two cities and now in its 54th year of competition. The referee's name was Jones. Ipswich won the match and Mick Walker, who was an official of Brisbane school Soccer of that era, said to the referee: "Here's the Cup, you won it", and although I'm a loyal Ipswichian, knowing the referee and Mick, I would have to agree with the latter.

—oOo—

HOW many of you who read GO SOCCER remember the McKean Cars? They were a type of railway carriage, motor powered, but were unlike the rail motors now in use. Brisbane Thistle of the early 20's used them on their trips to Ipswich to play at Bundamba and/or Blackstone. They were a handy means of transport right to the grounds in those days and were parked on the coal loop line adjacent to both of those Ipswich grounds.

The players used them for changing into football gear, and there was room

for players as well as officials. There was no bitumen road between the two cities then, motor vehicles were few and a car trip between Ipswich and Brisbane in under an hour was no mean achievement.

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"TODDY" Edwards, a top referee of 40 years ago, is still blowing the whistle — at Schoolboy matches at Blackstone.

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THE Caledonian Bells — not bonnie Scottish lasses, nor those ringing at a Presbyterian Kirk, but the members of a Junior Caledonians team from Walloon, near Ipswich, in 1927. There were five team members named Bell, from two separate unrelated families. Ted, 'Slip', and Vince were brothers. Ted played centre half, Slip at wing half and Vince at inside left. Vince later filled that position alongside Jimmy Carton for the great Latrobe team of the late 20's and 30's. John Bell was a fullback and played later with Latrobe with Vince as did "Windy", the fifth Bell, who played inside left and was later killed in a tragic motor accident.

And to top it all, their club linesman was 'Paddy' Bell, a brother of Ted, Slip and Vince. They had another brother, Joe, who was a lot younger and played later with Booval Stars.

JACOB WHO?

PAR in Canberra Soccer News program on sale at Manuka Oval last Saturday read: "Today keep your eye on Brisbane City's former Israeli international Jacob Shane. It is only a few months ago that he played against Australia and is a player of real talent. Let's see if Canberra City's defenders, particularly Tony Henderson, can keep him in check."

Ever hear of a player getting so much publicity when he's not even in the country?

READERS' FORUM

NOTE—*Nom-de-plumes may be used by contributors, but letters will not be published unless they are signed.*

Dear Sir,

I am writing in reply to the letter in last week's GO SOCCER from Outsiderman, of Bulimba. Although I agree with most of the points he raised, I disagree with the team he named which would be worthy of a State side "confrontation" with the southerners.

In his team, Outsiderman named only three non-League players, Dolan, Marley and Brennan. The bulk of his team was comprised of Philips League players. But I think too much emphasis is placed on the value of these League players, and maintain, that individually, they are not the best in the State.

I have come up with two sides comprised entirely of players from First Division and Second Division teams and for the sake of my exercise, I have excluded the three "outsiders", Dolan, Marley and Brennan, who are in Outsiderman's team.

My suggestion, and it is purely academic, as such a venture could not be organised, is that my two teams play one another and the winner then has the right to challenge Outsiderman's State side.

Side One: Mancini (Bardon), Cochrane (Eagles), Edwards (St. George), Wilkinson (Sunnyside), Schofield (St. George), Fagan (St. George), Patterson (Thistle), Knott (St. George), Biedak (North Brisbane), Williamson (St. Helens), Millman (Redlands).

Side Two: Barlow (North Brisbane), Dobinson (North Brisbane), Shortman (North Brisbane), Edwards (Wynnum), Matters (St. George), Marszaleck (Eagles), Wilson (Bardon), Lampitt (Wynnum), Gordon (Eagles), Spiekerman (Mt. Gravatt), Kelso (Redlands).

Over to the other readers. I wonder if

the editor of GO SOCCER could ask for all readers to submit their State sides, and after a period, print the team which has the most votes from GO SOCCER readers.

Frustrated Selector

(Name and address supplied)

GOALKEEPER INJURED

SOUTHS United and Acacia Ridge met in Second Division action last weekend and the game did not reach any great heights except for some very good work by Alan Knight in the Souths defence and Matt Jackson of Acacia Ridge.

Knight was always in the right position when the Ridge attacked and Jackson displayed some of his old skills, which brought back memories of his performances of the past.

An unfortunate incident occurred in the closing stages of the game when Gary Fisher, the outstanding Souths 'keeper, dived on the ball to save and sustained a broken jaw, which necessitated his being taken to Princess Alexandra Hospital. It is hoped he will soon recover, as his absence will be a big blow to Souths.

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Deliberate handling	2
Deliberate obstruction	3
Deliberate tripping	4
Entering or re-entering the field of play without the referee's permission	1
Persistent infringement of the laws	3
Dissent	4
Ungentlemanly conduct	2
Wasting time	2
Shirt pulling	3
Goalkeeper wasting time	2

Player using shoulders of a colleague to assist his heading the ball	1
Moving arms about to obstruct opponent	2
Dangerous play, including going over the ball	4
Foul tackle from behind	4
Encroachment within ten yards at a free kick	3
Gesticulating in front of a player taking a free kick	2
Encroachment by a defender	2
Encroachment by an attacker	2
Gesticulating in front of a player taking a throw in	2
When a player has twelve points against him, he will be suspended for one match. The suspension for being sent off will be one match, plus a points penalty of 4.	

EARLY CUMBERLAND CUP GAMES

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1/6/77

St. Helens v. Kingsridge 6.30 p.m.
Goodna v. Salisbury 8.15 p.m.

8/6/77

Trident v. St. Albans 6.30 p.m.
Coalstars v. Gold Coast 8.15 p.m.

VENUE—

Grange Thistle (Lanham Park, Prince St.,
Grange)

31/5/77

Northside v. St. Michaels 6.30 p.m.
Olympic v. Pine Rivers 8.15 p.m.

7/6/77

Bayside v. Annerley 6.30 p.m.
Brighton v. Souths United 8.15 p.m.

VENUE—

Perry Park Soccer Stadium (Mayne)

22/6/77

Taringa v. Rochedale 6.30 p.m.
Sunnyside v. Grange Thistle 8.15 p.m.

29/6/77

North Star v. Grovely 6.30 p.m.
Mitchelton v. Maroochydore 8.15 p.m.

NOTE—

1. Lanham Park matches are played on a TUESDAY night.
2. Perry Park and Underwood Park remain Wednesday night matches.
3. No matches June 15th '77 due to Ampol Cup elimination matches.
4. Further matches will be advised in due course.

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CANBERRA CITY v BRISBANE CITY

(Manuka Oval)

MINUTE by minute action report, with most of the highlights confined to the first half.

2: Echeverria takes his usual accurate free kick and Johnston makes sufficient nuisance of himself to earn City's first corner.

7: Kawalevu and Stoddart combine to effect a strong attacking raid with the latter's final shot testing Borzi for the first time.

8: Shock goal for Canberra as former Hearts of Midlothian player Cant takes a long throw in from the right. Lavelle attempts to clear but it slices off outside of his boot and goes straight to Lions reject O'Connor, who has no trouble heading in past Borzi.

9: Gaffney gets into trouble just outside the area and loses possession to O'Connor, whose powerful shot produces great diving save from Borzi.

13: Hermiston makes a long break down the left flank. He finds Conner, whose dangerous cross is pushed away for a throw in.

25: Starke pumps a long ball down the middle, Gruicic slices through and threads his way past Hermiston and Tokesi but after drawing Borzi out takes too long with his shot, which is cleared off the line by the cover-defending Pimblett.

28: Starke and Stoddart combine in some eye-catching leadup which ends when Gruicic is left with a great chance, but again the big Borzi man dives brilliantly to save.

29: Gaffney creates an opening, draws the defence and passes to Johnston, whose first time left footer looks certain to find the back of the net, but for Haynes' reflex save.

41: Conner, who had a great first half, makes some more room down the right wing and crosses onto the penalty

spot. Coyne is there but his header goes straight at Haynes.

49: Henderson crosses the halfway line, beats two men and charges into the penalty area, from where he shoots powerfully after Borzi is drawn out of position. In desperation Lavelle tries to clear and only succeeds in ramming the ball into the roof of the net.

57: Canberra continue to plug away and O'Connor is faced with only Borzi to beat but sprays his shot wide of the post.

65: City's best raid in the second half ends when Rathmell pumps a left footer over the bar. Admits later he should have scored.

City's lineup was—

Borzi

Rathmell Tokesi Hermiston Lavelle
Pimblett (Herdle) Gaffney Echeverria
Conner (Caldwell) Coyne Johnston

Canberra City fielded—

Haynes

Moulas Brown Starke Boskov
Cant Henderson Gruicic
Kawalevu Stoddart O'Connor

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GRANGE-THISTLE v GOLD COAST

LAST week floodlit fixtures were played at Lanham Park where the home side Grange Thistle are charging on in their attempt to regain first division status. Firstly on the Tuesday night the controversial cancelled fixture with Gold Coast was played and on the Friday a fixture with Sunnyside another leading contender. GO SOCCER covered both games, but due to printing deadlines these reports could not appear until this weeks edition.

The game with Gold Coast opened at terrific speed play switching from end to end at a furious pace in fact a pace at which really good soccer couldn't possibly be played. Thistle, who opened in a 4-2-4 formation with a lot of experience namely Hermiston and Patterson in midfield never really seemed to grasp the fundamentals of this game this could have been due to the fact that when the play went on to the wings both wingers, Pike and Woodside persisted in slowing the play down by becoming indirect, beating their full back and turning back inside so that the Gold Coast defence had plenty of time to close down on Bailey and Dickson the central strikers.

Gold Coast kept falling back and then launching quick breaks and in one of these a terrific shot by Sleight on the left wing beat everyone but screwed past the far post. The closest Thistle came to scoring was on the half hour mark when Dickson cleverly back flicked a header from a corner just after a terrific volley from Patterson that had goal marked all over it, cannoned from a defender. Then, as is usual in a game like this, old campaigner Barry Allison playing at left back ran on to a ball 35 yards out and surprised everyone by letting go at it first time, bingo, Thistle were one up as the ball ripped into the postage stamp corner. Despite the lesson, Thistle continued in their misconduct until the break.

After half time Hermiston and Patterson began to swing the ball high wide and handsome and suddenly the Coast boys were in trouble mainly due to Dickson's bullocking runs and Bailey's sharp-

ness. In one of his runs Dickson outsped the defence and squared to Bailey who made no mistake for number two. Then Hermiston broke out of defence, ran unchallenged for thirty yards before passing to Dickson who had dragged defenders to the left. Again the centre held off his challenges and laid the ball back into Hermiston's path and from twenty yards he gave the 'keeper no chance with a low rocket.

Thistle were cock-a-hoop now and in a tremendous goal mouth melee the ball fell to Dickson who bulleted the ball into the net. Hermiston and Pike were now replaced by two youngsters Tuttle and

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Hunt and Thistle contentedly played out the remaining minutes. Again certain players began to run with the ball and the expected goal feast never transpired as they now ran into a packed wall of Gold Coast players.

For Thistle the credits had to go to Jones and Allison in defence with Dickson a willing worker in the second half. Gold Coast had no stars but as a side they were always willing to work for each other. Their offside tactics unsettled Thistle in the first half but were probably their

undoing when the ball began to drop into the space behind their advancing backline.

Another lesson they must learn is that when they are two goals down they must open up their game. Their centre forward Godfrey must have been the loneliest man in Lanham Park as he fruitlessly chased after the ball in the second half with virtually no immediate support. Thistle would be happy with two points but Barry Dann will no doubt try to know the answers to a few questions concerning that first half.

WORLD SOCCER REPORT

LIMASSOL, CYPRUS: Poland strengthened their hold on their World Cup qualifying group by beating Cyprus here 3-1 last weekend.

The Poles, who came third in the 1974 World Cup, were a goal down after 15 minutes when Antoniou of Apoel club, scored following a free kick. Ten minutes later, the Poles, raising their game, drew level when World Cup star Grzegorz Lato was successful and five minutes from half-time took the lead through Terleckis' fierce drive.

Goalkeeper Pantziaris kept the Poles at bay in the second half until Zaglebie Sosnowiecs' Mazur beat him with a long drive. The result leaves Poland four points clear of Denmark and Portugal in European Group 1, but the Portugese have one match in hand.

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THE HAGUE: Ajax Amsterdam are the Dutch champions, following their final round scoreless draw with Nec Nijmegen at the weekend. Ajax finished with 52 points, clear winners over PSV Eindhoven (47), AZ '67 (46), Feyenoord (44), and Roda JC, (42).

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MADRID: Atletico Madrid have clinched the Spanish championship by drawing away 1-1 with local rivals Real Madrid. The point gave them a three-points lead over their pursuers, Barcelona, with one match left in the League season.

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SOFIA: Leveski Spartak look headed for the Bulgarian Football League Champion-

ship, after drawing 3-3 with Minor in the 27th round of fixtures. Spartak head the table with 38 points, followed Marek and CSKA Septemvriisko, who each have 35.

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LISBON: Benfica defeated Montijo 1-0 in the 28th round of the Portugese championship, and have established an almost unbeatable lead. Benfica have 47 points, a commanding eight points clear of Sporting Lisbon, while Porto and Academico are a massive 15 points behind.

Second Division winners Riopole have won promotion to the First Division, as have Central and Southern Zone winners Feirense and Maritimo Do Funchal.

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LINESMAN'S VIEW

SUNDAY brought us back to Perry Park and Philips League with the Rasic inspired Marconi coming to Brisbane as League leaders and with very impressive recent form. They were to face the league's hard luck story, Lions, and not one person in the crowd would have given two cents for their chances when it was announced Marconi were to be at full strength.

With 'terrible twins' Mariani and Sharne backed by the tricky trio of Richards, Rooney and Byrne and the slumbering volcano Ernie Campbell here there and everywhere, everyone expected the worst and the numbers showed it, for in perfect weather we had probably the poorest Perry Park crowd this season.

Just goes to show how wrong thousands can be, for Lions came on to the field minus their two bad boys, Niven and Hughes, with Ian Park drafted in at left full back, Laslo Koraknai at outside right to fill up the gaps, and proceeded to take Marconi apart at the seams. The game opened as expected, Marconi stroking it around looking elegant, composed and ready to run up a record score and suddenly Paul Laslo found to his surprise that he had the beating of John Russell.

It was as if a magic wand was waved over the player and soon the magic spread to Geoff Morris and between the two of them they began to pick the very foundations of the Marconi defence.

Chance after chance was created and, but for some amazing bad luck and desperate last ditch clearances it was not without the possibility that Lions could have been leading 5-0. The Lions forwards appeared to be amazed at their own prowess and such was the panic in Marconi's defence that their mid-field were far too busy defending to do any creative work.

Lions were firing on all cylinders and it seemed only a matter of time before

they opened their account when Ernie Campbell broke away, took on man after man before striking a beautiful grounder past Dendo. Up to now that was bundle dropping time for Lions and that's why people have been writing them off but this team weren't hearing any of it and Fagan and Morris combined beautifully for Geoff to bullet Lions back to equality.

That's when the scoring ended and in GO SOCCER's opinion may be where Lions league campaign began. As we said weeks ago this Lions side are capable of playing in anyone's company in Australia and in the remaining hour of this game they set to and proved it to everyone in Perry Park.

Marconi were not one iota better than their Lions counterparts and as a spectacle the game had everything. Sure there were a few players still running with the ball instead of making it work for them, but what they may have lacked in finesse they made up for in guts and running.

The defence was superb, Mariani was removed from the scene but Carrizo, his substitute, found his ball skills didn't fare any better. In mid-field the Lions trio of Fagan, Neale and Venable ran their opposite numbers into ineffectiveness and that is no mean measure of success. Up front Morris and Laslo, the mighty midgets proved to Rale Rasic his back four are not yet tight enough, Hucker certainly being an improvement on Russell on the day. Laslo, Koraknai found the occasion a bit nerve wracking but his chasing of the overlapping Degney earned him pass marks and he should get better with usage.

Niven and Hughes have their work cut out and so will St. George next if Lions start where they finished off last Sunday. Go to it lads, you've had a long wait, make it all worthwhile.

Insideman

FIRST DIVISION FIXTURES NEXT WEEKEND

ROUND 13 — Saturday, June 4

Annerley v. Richlands

Spencer Park v. Redlands

Eagles v. Merton

Mt. Gravatt v. St. George

Wynnum v. Bardon

St. Helens v. North Brisbane

GRANGE-THISTLE v SUNNYSIDE

THIS was the first of this seasons "confrontations", two clubs obviously hell bent on getting to first division and prepared to spend money to get there. A good crowd turned out and Thistle showed some welcome initiative to match promotion when the team, accompanied by a junior side was led on to the field by a piper.

Then we had the "Big Match" song played on the PA system while Sunnyside came on to chants from their enthusiastic following. Both sides were well endowed with experienced players and the crowd settled back to watch a feast of soccer.

Somehow or other it never transpired but what we did have was a rip snorter of a match reminiscent of a good old fashioned cup tie. Why this is so is hard to understand but as in most first division sides both teams had players who, lacking in skill attempted to make up the deficit by over enthusiastic tackling and running or conversely players who overdid the ball holding and broke the rhythm of the move and of the team.

On to the game itself and Thistle opened in their 4-2-4 pattern with Hermiston and Patterson being tightly marked by opposing midfielders. Sunnyside using an extra midfielder certainly had the better of mid-field exchanges early on but their three man forward line never looked likely to break down a solid Davie Jones inspired backline and it wasn't long before Lazenby and Allison began to make inroads into Sunnyside territory. Despite all this possession and man power, John Wilkinson was still untroubled at the back and Dickson was being forced into space on the wing by Tommy Pike's dribbles into the middle.

Dickson is a more fearsome proposition in the box than Tommy and funnily enough it was once when Tommy stayed on the wing and attacked the defence that he was fouled. From the resultant kick the ball bounced around in the area where all sorts of acrobatics were performed by attackers and defenders, before it finally came loose to Houston Lazenby who had come up in support.

From 18 yards he made no mistake

with a beautifully struck shot. Thistle 1-0.

Now a bit of sensation. Suddenly, for no apparent reason, Peter Gee, Thistle's class goalkeeper was replaced. He hurried from the ground and the story came around that his wife had obeyed a very important call from nature. Hope the outcome was up to your expectations Mr. and Mrs. Gee.

Sunnyside immediately pressured the young goalkeeper and it wasn't really a surprise when, from an inswinging corner the ball was allowed to bounce around, finally to Bronco Milutan's feet and he made no mistake. Even Stevens and again the midfield began to boil and once again Thistle attacked on the right flank where Hermiston finally crossed a perfect ball beyond the far post and Bailey did the needful with his head. That's how it was at half time and on the run of play deservedly so.

After the break the game continued where it had left off with no apparent changes in tactics by either side. Young Gary Bromfield began to attack the left wing more and with quite a bit of success but no one in the middle cashed in on his supply of crosses which were beating everyone and running abegging to Sunnyside's right wing.

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Mind you Thistle's central defence area was no place for the weak hearted for David Jones, Mark Aponus and Sunny - side's Neil Catchpole were having a no holds barred running battle. However Thistle still gave the impression they were in control of things and again Lazenby ventured up the flank and latched on to a loose ball which he simply rocketed into the net. Thistle now substituted Pike who had been injured earlier and this meant they had now used two bench players. Finally the inevitable happened and Jones was carried off after clashing with Catchpole. Hermiston now adopted his "City Role", but Thistle's defence suddenly looked pregnable and in a beautiful move Bromfield laid a perfect ball through the back line for Catchpole to do the needful. This was consolation and that's how it ended.

Summing up, a win Thistle would be very happy with considering the loss of Gee and playing the last ten minutes or so with ten men. Sunnyside have some good individual players but obviously need to strengthen their pool if they are to achieve their objective. For Thistle Lazenby had one of those nights, Jones was outstanding in defence and of course Hermiston was Hermiston, closely marked but still in on most of Thistle's good moves. For Sunnyside Wilkinson and Milutan had good games with Bromfield showing talent in patches. Edwards, Pike and Woodside will all do more for their team when they start moving the

ball around more quickly. Pity to see such talent constantly being caught in possession. A highly entertaining game, a credit to both sides.

World Soccer Report

JUVENTUS became Italian soccer champions for the fourth time in six years when they completed their League programme with a 2-0 away victory over Sampdoria.

Their only challengers for the title, Turin Neighbours & defending champions Torino, beat Genoa 5-1, but still finished one point behind Juventus in the final table.

Juventus ended with 51 points from their 30 matches, and Torino with 50. Third place Fiorentina were 16 points adrift of the new champions.

On the move . . .

LETTER from Toowoomba reader last week complaining that the QSF was a Queen St. organisation and little thought was afforded to the boys in the country.

On Monday of this week, QSF president Bill Waddell and secretary Alan Vessey left on extensive State wide tour, which will include visits to Mt. Isa, Cairns, Townsville, Rockhampton, etc. Trip designed to iron out any problems country centres may be experiencing. That's what you call a quick retort to our Readers' Forum contributor.



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The Premiership Action

GO SOCCER covered the only double header in Brisbane and kicked off with the Bardon v. Mt. Gravatt game.

Bardon were almost unchanged after last week's welcome point at Ebbw Vale, Carpenter taking the injured Robertson's place. Against them Mt. Gravatt had the three under eighteen lads back from Sydney, so were at full strength. The match opened with Mt. Gravatt making all the running but running into the Bardon duo of Wilson and Young who are fast building a reputation for themselves. The Bardon goal however had some narrow escapes in fact one incredible one where the ball flashed in and out so often it became impossible to follow its path. Bardon began to settle and it wasn't a surprise when Docherty latched on to a ball 25 yards out and sent a screamer past the hapless Davis. Bardon took heart from this and began to push forward but quite soon after this Blackadder pounced on a loose ball in the six yard box and rolled home an equaliser.

Just before the break Wilson and Spiek-

erman clashed in the air and the big blond centre half went to ground holding his back. The game lasted like this until half time.

Bardon appeared in the second half minus Wilson and with that no more can be said of the game from a Bardon viewpoint. The team became disjointed, disorganised and for some unapparent reason so individualistic as to beggar description. Mt. Gravatt's Blackadder quickly capitalised on all the errors being made and collected himself another two goals. We think Dave will be man enough not to be angry with us when we say they were handed to him on a plate. Wim Spiekerman completed the scoring with a typical far-post header.

No one started in this game. Both coaches have uphill battles in front of them although Billy Haigh could argue and say his team did all they had to, but knowing Billy to be a purist we would reckon he wouldn't be fooled. Bardon have problems. From a tight defensive unit v. Norths and v. St. Helens they

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have degenerated back to their season start form.

The new boys from Mitchelton are finding the pace a bit much but there are far too many players running with the ball and not running without it.

A pity this, for the talent is there, time just seems to be against them. With a little talk on the field and growing understanding they may yet give a few teams a fright but they will have to work at it quickly or suffer the consequences.

RICHLANDS v. WYNNUM

The Baysiders came to Richlands no doubt wondering what they'd be up against and soon found that Richlands were a fast and fit side, yet a side seemingly worried by the fault of their PL side, lack of finishing power.

We know that this side is a reserve side for PL but surely that doesn't mean they have to play the tight defence orientated game that the PL side are being forced to play. The play opened brightly enough but again was contained mostly in mid-field where vast numbers of players passed and repassed before trying to set up Dench or Parsons for a breakaway goal. This continued for

some time but then Brian Lampitt broke away and scored a great opening goal under pressure.

He was being forced away from the goal to the left but kept his cool and lifted a beautiful lob over everyone's head into the far side net. Again the game settled to a mid-field battle and lasted like this until half time. Lions reappeared on the left flank. That's right, Les Schienflug, coach and ex Australian international. More about this later. Richlands fitness began to tell now and more and more Peter Edwards performed miracles at centre half for Wynnum. Senchusenko and Drinkwater had tied up the back almost watertight and it was no surprise when Lawrie equalised with a beautiful placement from 20 yards. Richlands now pressured almost non-stop but Wynnum held out until the final whistle.

These two games were not good matches, only the most fervent fans of either club would argue that remark. Agreed there are a few talented players in the four clubs but how long are the Brisbane public

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POINTS TABLES

FIRST DIVISION							
P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	
ST. GEORGE	11	7	2	2	28	15	16
NORTHS	11	6	3	2	26	14	15
EAGLES	11	6	2	3	33	19	14
ANERLEY	11	4	5	2	18	12	13
S. PARK UTD.	11	6	—	5	22	19	12
ST. HELENS	11	4	3	4	15	15	11
REDLANDS	11	5	1	5	22	22	11
RICHLANDS	11	3	4	4	15	14	10
MERTON	11	4	2	5	12	15	10
MT. GRAVATT	11	4	1	6	16	24	9
WYNNUM	11	1	6	4	16	23	8
BARDON	11	—	3	8	8	39	3

RESERVE GRADE							
P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	
NORTHS	11	10	1	—	35	5	21
EAGLES	11	7	2	2	25	16	16
ANERLEY	11	7	1	3	32	14	15
REDLANDS	11	6	3	2	22	12	15
ST. HELENS	11	6	1	4	34	21	13
MT. GRAVATT	11	5	3	3	20	17	13
RICHLANDS	11	4	1	6	28	21	9
S. PARK UTD.	11	4	1	6	15	27	9
WYNNUM	11	3	1	7	12	22	7
MERTON	11	3	1	7	12	24	7
BARDON	11	3	—	8	16	41	6
ST. GEORGE	11	—	1	10	8	39	1

SECOND DIVISION							
P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	
THISTLE	8	6	2	—	34	8	14
COALSTARS	8	5	3	—	21	11	13
SUNNYSIDE	8	4	2	2	17	9	10
TARINGA	8	4	2	2	13	11	10
TRIDENT	8	4	1	3	16	13	9
AC. RIDGE	8	2	3	3	13	15	7
SOUTHS	8	3	1	4	15	16	7
OXLEY	8	2	2	4	10	17	6
REDCLIFFE	8	2	2	4	14	22	6
MITCHELTON	8	1	3	4	10	15	5
FORT. VALLEY	8	2	1	5	14	32	5
GOLD COAST	8	1	2	5	7	15	4

SECOND DIVISION RESERVES							
P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	
THISTLE	7	7	—	—	23	5	14
MITCHELTON	8	6	1	1	18	10	13
GOLD COAST	7	5	—	2	21	12	10
COALSTARS	8	4	2	2	24	18	10
SUNNYSIDE	8	4	1	3	22	13	9
REDCLIFFE	8	3	1	4	19	16	7
ACACIA RIDGE	8	3	1	4	19	23	7
SOUTHS	8	3	1	4	15	22	7
TARINGA	8	2	2	4	10	12	6
OXLEY	8	1	3	4	12	18	5
FORT. VALLEY	8	2	1	5	12	25	5
TRIDENT	8	—	1	7	9	30	1

THIRD DIVISION							
P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	
NEWMARKET	8	6	1	1	20	10	13
DARRA	8	5	1	2	36	15	11
ROVERS	8	5	1	2	21	13	11
PINE RIVERS	8	4	2	2	24	17	10
THE GAP	8	3	3	2	17	13	9
NORTH STAR	8	3	2	3	13	12	8
GROVELY	8	2	4	2	16	18	8
ST. ALBANS	8	3	1	4	16	12	7
WIL'BURN	8	2	3	3	16	24	7
NERANG	8	3	1	4	11	21	7
ANERLEY	8	1	1	6	12	24	3
BOOVAL	8	1	—	7	7	30	2

FOURTH DIVISION							
P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	
INALA	8	6	1	1	29	12	13
AC. RIDGE	8	6	—	2	25	11	12
SALISBURY	8	5	1	2	20	9	11
OLYMPIC	8	5	1	2	22	16	11
THE GAP	8	4	1	3	24	9	9
DARRA	8	4	1	3	24	14	9
BRIGHTON	7	3	1	3	19	18	7
TOOWONG	7	1	4	2	8	12	6
UNIVERSITY	6	2	1	3	15	15	5
ROVERS	8	1	2	5	8	23	4
NEWMARKET	8	1	1	6	8	22	3
LOGAN	8	1	—	7	3	44	2

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FIFTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
TWIN TOWNS	8	8	—	—	33	5	16
GOODNA	8	7	—	1	32	7	14
PINE RIVERS	8	7	—	1	26	10	14
INDUSTRIAL	8	4	1	3	16	19	9
UNIVERSITY	8	2	3	3	13	7	7
WYNNUM	8	2	3	3	12	16	7
PADUA	8	3	1	4	17	26	7
NTH. STAR	8	2	2	4	14	16	6
EAGLES	8	3	—	5	12	21	6
ST. ALBANS	8	2	1	5	11	18	5
TOOWONG	8	1	1	6	10	32	3
TARINGA	8	1	—	7	4	23	2

SIXTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
KINGSRIDGE	8	7	—	1	44	11	14
BAYSIDE	7	6	—	1	24	7	12
DINMORE	7	5	1	1	11	3	11
ROCHEDALE	7	5	—	2	30	10	10
MITCHELTON	8	4	—	4	23	20	8
GROVELY	7	2	2	3	14	20	5
OLYMPIC	8	2	1	5	16	25	5
MT. GRAVATT	7	2	—	5	11	18	4
WACOL	7	2	—	5	13	22	4
NORTHSIDE	7	1	2	4	15	27	4
ST. MICHAELS	7	1	1	5	5	43	3

SEVENTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
SALISBURY	8	6	1	1	37	15	13
ADAMS PARK	8	5	1	2	37	22	11
RAAF	8	4	2	2	21	11	10
SOUTHS	7	4	1	2	19	8	9
ALBANY CK.	8	4	1	3	22	21	9
GOODNA	8	3	2	3	21	17	8
NEW WORLD	8	3	2	3	21	22	8
RICHLANDS	7	4	—	3	20	25	8
NTH. BRIS.	8	3	—	5	15	20	6
THE GAP	7	2	1	4	16	20	5
NORTH STAR	8	2	—	6	11	31	3
NORTH PINE	7	1	—	6	3	31	2

EIGHTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
ANNERLEY	8	8	—	—	42	7	16
REDCLIFFE	8	6	1	1	26	7	13
ROCHEDALE	8	6	—	2	35	11	12
MERTON	8	5	—	3	17	11	10
ST. GEORGE	7	4	1	2	18	9	9
INALA	8	4	1	3	21	21	9
PINE RIVERS	8	3	1	4	23	25	7
BRIGHTON	8	3	—	5	11	17	6
SALISBURY	8	1	2	5	12	32	4
ADAMS PARK	7	1	2	4	9	25	4
POLICE	8	—	3	5	11	31	3
BAYSIDE	8	—	1	7	8	37	1

COLTS DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
NTH. BRIS.	14	11	2	1	38	10	24
COALSTARS	13	10	3	—	65	15	23
GOLD COAST	14	8	4	2	54	17	20
THISTLE	14	8	4	2	39	12	20
MERTON	14	7	4	3	24	16	18
RICHLANDS	14	7	3	4	39	22	17
MITCHELTON	14	7	2	5	26	22	16
ST. HELENS	14	6	3	4	34	21	15
REDCLIFFE	14	5	4	5	27	22	14
NEWMARKET	14	5	4	5	28	34	14
MT. GRAVATT	14	3	4	7	12	21	10
REDLANDS	13	2	3	8	18	47	7
ST. GEORGE	13	3	1	9	15	46	7
THE GAP	14	2	2	10	11	42	6
ROCHEDALE	14	2	1	11	18	60	5
VIRGINIA UTD.	14	2	—	12	23	64	4

going to put up with the situation where a man of 36 (an educated guess) who last played competitive soccer about eight years ago albeit in a better standard than ours can come on to a field and far from disgracing himself, become one of the few, very few players on view who consistently (eight out of ten) made telling passes with every ball he kicked.

There was an almost pathetic air in

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SYDNEY — The Australian Soccer Federation has been asked to stage the 1979 FIFA-Coca-Cola world youth tournament.

ASF secretary, Brian Le Fevre, confirmed that a request had been received from FIFA and said they had replied they would be able to stage the tournament.

The first World Youth Tournament is being held in Tunisia next month, and Australia, which is not competing, planned to match a team chosen from the current under eighteen national championships in Sydney with the winners of the World Tournament.

Mr. Le Fevre said that as Australia would now automatically qualify for the 1979 tournament, the present championships in Sydney were more important as part of a build-up campaign.

the man's manner as he created space for himself on the left flank and then stood and waited for balls that never came or never reached him. How he must have felt when he created chance after chance by way of his deft skill in passing and watched them squandered and frittered away. Les Schienflug, I thank you for proving to me anyway how far behind our First Division standard has fallen. I hope some of the club officials and coaches in attendance realised likewise and do something about it.

We'd better hurry for it is getting a bit much asking people to pay a dollar for this type of "entertainment." The Philips League clubs needn't worry, they'll continue to pull crowds as long as "this" is the only competition.

ORIENT SCRAPES IN

LONDON — Orient drew with Hull 1-1 in the last round, so preserving their second division status and giving the Soccer season a happy ending for London.

Two of the capital's first divisions clubs West Ham and Queens Park Rangers, climbed clear of relegation by winning home matches. London loses Tottenham from Division One but replaces them by newly-promoted Chelsea.

In addition, Crystal Palace have won promotion from the third division.

Orient's joy was Carlisle's misery. An error by veteran goalkeeper John Jackson allowed Hull a soft equaliser 14 minutes from the end but Orient managed to hold out. The result means that Carlisle, relegated from Division One last season, plunged straight into the Third Division. Their goal difference was inferior to Orient's.

Down among the dead men of Division Four, Newport's lone goal victory over Workington leaves Halifax with the indignity of asking to be allowed to remain in the League next season — fate which seemed sure to be Newport's, only a few weeks ago.

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They were finalists in the Rothman's Cup in 1975 and Grand Finalists in the

Premiership Competition on three occasions, in 1971, 1973 and 1974.

Our two reserve teams have always been placed high in their respective comps. viz winners of the League in 1973, runner-up in 1974 and winners of the Grand Final on three occasions (1971, 1973 and 1974).

THE PLAYERS FROM SYDNEY WESTS

Kenneth LINDSAY

Age — 26 years

Height — 5'9"

Weight — 11 stone 7 lb

Usual position — Half Back

Club Service — 5 years

Playing career — Raith Rovers Scotland



Steve Perry

Steve PERRY

Age — 22 years

Height — 5'7"

Weight — 10 stone

Usual position — Full Back

Club service — 3 years

Playing career — Sutherland

Rep. games — State, N.S.W.

Clive EATON

Age — 24 years

Height — 5'10"

Weight — 10 stone 10lb

Usual position — Striker

Club service — 4 years

Playing career — Stoke F.C.



Clive Eaton

Dave HARDING

Age — 29 years

Height — 5'10"

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Usual position — Midfield

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Playing career — Pan Hellenic,
Wrexham F.C.

Rep. Games — N.S.W., Australia
(11 caps)



Bobby Fryer

Terry EATON

Age — 30 years

Height — 6'1"

Weight — 12 stone 7lb

Usual position — Goalkeeper

Playing career — Melita Eagles,
Norwich City F.C.

Rep. Games — State, N.S.W.

Peter WILSON

Age — 28 years

Height — 6ft.

Weight — 12 stone 7lb

Usual position — Centre Half

Club service — 1 year (captain)

Playing career — South Coast

Rep. Games — State, N.S.W., Australia
(50 caps)

Wally LACHOWICZ

Age — 21 years

Height — 6ft.

Weight — 12 stone 8lb

Usual position — Goalkeeper

Club service — 4 years

Playing career — Bankstown F.C.

Rep. Games — U/16's State Squad

Robert FRYER

Age — 23 years

Height — 5'11"

Weight — 12 stone 5lb

Usual position — Winger

Club service — 1 year

Playing career — South Coast

Birmingham F.C.

Peter STONE

Age — 22 years

Height — 5'9"

Weight — 10 stone 4lb

Usual position — Midfield

Club service — 4 years

Playing career — Adamstown,

Newcastle

Rep. Games — State, N.S.W. National
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BILLY FAGAN (St. George)
 - 7 Goals—
IAN STEELE (Norths)
 - 6 Goals—
ALAN MARSZALECK (Eagles)
KEVIN CALDWELL (Spencer Pk.)
CHARLIE DENCH (Richlands)
RON MILLMAN (Redlands)
 - 5 Goals—
JOHN DANN (St. Helens)
BRIAN LAMPITT (Wynnum)
WIM SPIEKERMAN (Mt. Gravatt)
ALAN MARLEY (St. George)
DAVE BLACKADDER (Mt. Gravatt)
 - 4 Goals—
LEN POLLOCK (Norths)
NICK KRITIKOU (St. George)
TREVOR CATCHPOLE (Redlands)
JIM McCABE (Eagles)
 - 3 Goals—
TONY EDWARDS (St. George)
LASLO KORAKNAI (Richlands)
MICHAEL ROONEY (Annerley)
NIGEL CAIRNS (Annerley)
JOHN FERGUSON (Mt. Gravatt)
NEIL DOCHERTY (Bardon)
MAL BLAND (Merton)
DUGALD CAMPBELL (Annerley)
RUSSELL GRIFFITHS (Merton)
GEORGE WILLIAMSON (St. Helens)
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Philips League MATCH OF THE DAY



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- 1 OSVALDO BORZI
- 2 IAN RATHMELL
- 14 JOHN LAVELLE
- 4 PETER TOKESI
- 15 JIM HERMISTON
- 8 FRANK PIMBLETT
- 9 LARRY GAFFNEY
- 16 ROBERTO ECHEVERRIA
- 7 JOHN COYNE
- 10 IAN JOHNSTON
- 12 WILLIE CONNER

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- 11 KEVIN CALDWELL
- 5 KARL HERDL
- 20 KIM WISHART

Coach IAN KESSON

WESTERN SUBURBS

- 1 TERRY EATON
- 2 COL CURRAN
- 3 STEVE PERRY
- 4 BOBBY NOBLE
- 5 PETER WILSON
- 6 PETER STONE
- 7 ROBERT FRYER
- 8 DAVE HARDING
- 9 GRAHAM NORRIS
- 10 IAN MOORES
- 11 CLIVE EATON

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- 12 WARREN TURNBULL
- 13 ALAN AINSLIE
- 14 WALLY LACHOWICZ

Coach: MIKE LAING

NEXT WEEKEND'S LEAGUE MATCHES

- Wednesday, June 1* —
 Western Suburbs v. Marconi
- Saturday, June 4* —
 Canberra City v. St. George
 Mooroolbark v. Adelaide City
 Sydney Olympic v. Brisbane City
- Sunday, June 5* —
 Brisbane Lions v. Eastern Suburbs
 West Adelaide v. South Melbourne
 Fitzroy United v. Footscray

PHILIPS LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Marconi	8	6	1	1	17	11	13
W. Suburbs	8	5	2	1	16	5	12
Adelaide City	8	4	2	2	13	8	10
E. Suburbs	8	3	3	2	18	13	9
Fitzroy	8	3	3	2	13	11	9
W. Adelaide	7	3	2	2	13	8	8
Syd. Olympic	8	3	2	3	10	13	8
Brisbane City	7	3	1	3	9	8	7
St. George	7	2	3	2	13	12	7
Sth. Melbourne	7	2	3	2	6	7	7
Footscray	7	1	4	2	10	9	6
Canberra City	8	2	1	5	6	14	5
Mooroolbark	8	—	3	5	9	23	3
Lions	7	—	2	5	3	14	2