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ONE of Queensland's best players against Dundee last Sunday, Alan Marley, is about to tangle with the man who marked him all day, George McGeachie. Marley does his stuff for Brisbane City in the local derby against Brisbane Lions this weekend.

'GO SOCCER'

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NATIONAL PHILIPS LEAGUE ROUND-UP

Gibson Takes Over

SYDNEY — Sydney Olympic's newly appointed coach George Gibson can thank his Australian squad goalkeeper Gary Meier for preserving a 1-1 score line in the clash with Philips Soccer league highflyers Marconi at Wentworth Park.

Electrifying bursts by Peter Sharne and Paul Degney cut holes in the Olympic defence in the second half, but Meier remained unconquered apart from the 57th minute equaliser from Marconi midfielder Roberto Vieri.

It was announced after the match by Olympic president, John Constantine that Gibson had replaced Tom Anderson from last Monday, and the former Scottish defender had reason to be pleased by the team's first performance under his control.

Responding to the effortless passing and open running of former Greek International, Con Davourlis, they had a first half edge and led 1-0 at the break.

Alec Jamieson netted the goal in the 40th minute after coming with a dangerous dribbling run from half way.

His 30 metre drive caught Marconi's Socceroo goalkeeper Alan Maher outside his goal area, and the ball dipped in the stiff breeze before depositing itself in the back of the net.

But it was Marconi who should have opened the scoring.

In the 19th minute, Sharne sprinted through to face an empty goal, but overcarefulness brought his downfall, enabling Richie Bell to race in and clear from the

Before the break, Marconi allowed Davourlis for too much latitude and his constant promptings could have been rewarded by a couple of goals.

Afterwards, it was all Marconi until near the end when Olympic left-winger half when Hakoah's striker Ernie Camp-

Cross all but pulled the fat out of the fire with two near misses.

Marconi's goal, scored by Vieri in the 57th minute, came only seconds after his point-blank drive had been blocked by the alert Meier.

Ivo Prskalo moved the ball on to Degney, whose left-wing cross was left to run on by Bert Mariani and Vieri made no mistake with the goal yawning at him.

There is no doubt at this stage that the Olympic defence of Dave McIntosh, Billy Palmer, Stuart Markland and Richie Bell were having nightmares.

Sharne and Degney came right at them and behind the initial wave was the craft of Vieri, Jimmy Rooney and Gary Byrne to further tease them out of their wits.

Marconi coach, Rale Rasic admitted afterwards that he had played Prskalo and John Russell deep in defence in the second half to ensure at least an away point.

Campbell Set Off

SYDNEY — The notorious Barton Park woodwork denied St. George at least a point against Easts-Hakoah in their 3-1 loss to the defending Philips League Soccer champions.

With the scores at 2-1 in favour of Hakoah and full time rapidly approaching, St. George's speedy winger Phil O'Connor sent a thundering shot against the woodwork only to see the ball bounce back into play.

Barely a minute later, Hakoah broke away and made it 3-1 when Mark Trenter latched onto a long clearance and rounded keeper Martin Coe to score a third goal.

The game was marred in the second

bell was sent off after a foul in the 63rd

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St. George had taken the lead just before half-time following a fairly even first period.

O'Connor tore Hakoah apart with a dashing run past three tacklers before crossing to the unmarked Carlos Mendez, who slotted the ball home from five metres.

After the break, Hakoah's play became far more urgent and with defender Kevin Mullen overlapping on the wing, they began to pose a great threat.

However the equaliser came out of the blue when Hilton Silva let fly with a great left foot shot in the 56th minute which literally zoomed past the stranded Saints keeper.

Two minutes after Campbell's explosion Hakoah went further ahead when Mullen's cross was only partially cleared and tiny winger Joe Watson poked in what was the killer goal.

Saints rallied in the final ten minutes pushing forward along both flanks with O'Connor and substitute Zoran Durasic leading the way.

In the 78th minute St. George could have grabbed an equaliser when again O'Connor tormented the Hakoah defence but his cross just eluded Brendan Grosse who had surged upfield in an effort to meet the ball.

St. George managed a few more attacks but the closest they were to come to getting the second goal was O'Connor's demoralising shot against the upright.

In injury time Hakoah increased their lead when Mark Trenter challenged Grosse for a long clearance by the Hakoah keeper before winning the ball and rounding St. George keeper Martin Coe to slip the ball into the net.

PHILIPS LEAGUE STANDINGS

HOME	P	W	D	L	bF	A	Pts
Marconi	6	5	001	IOLU :	18	6	11
Fitzroy Utd.	6	3	2	1	8	5	8
Brisbane City	6	4	-	2	9	7	8
W. Suburbs	6	2	3	1	10	8	7
Canberra City	7	_	7		10	10	7
Adelaide City	6	2	2	2	7	6	6
E. Suburbs	6	2	2	2	7	6	6
West Adelaide	6	3	_	3	11	10	6
St. George	6	3	_	3	9	9	6
Sth. Melbourne	6	2	2	2	7	7	6
Brisbane Lions	5	1	3	1	6	7	5
Syd. Olympic	6	1	2	3	7	9	4
Footscray	5	1	1	3	3	6	3
Newcastle Utd.	5	-	3	2	6	10	3

AWAY	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Marconi	6	3	3	-	9	1	9
E. Suburbs	6	3	1	2	15	9	7
Sth. Melbourne	6	2	3	1	7	5	7
Brisbane Lions	6	2	3	1	11	10	7
Footscray	6	2	3	1	5	6	7
Newcastle Utd.	6	2	3	1	8	9	7
West Adelaide	5	2	2	1	5	5	6
Syd. Olympic	6	2	2	2	7	8	6
Adelaide City	7	2	2	3	8	12	6.
W. Suburbs	6	2	1	3	11	14	5
St. George	6	1	1	4	5	8	3
Canberra City	5	01 12	4	3	5	9	3
	6	d in	3	3	6	13	3
Fitzroy Utd. Brisbane City	5	1	_	4	4	9	2

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LEADING P.S.L. GOALSCORERS

- 8 Goals -Mark Jankovics (Marconi)
- 7 Goals Clive Eaton (Wests) Peter Ollerton (South Melbourne)
- 6 Goals -Allan Fisher Wests) Ivan Gruicic (Canberra) Phil O'Connor (St. George) Roberto Vieri (Marconi)
- 5 Goals-Gary Cole (Fitzroy) Ken Boden (Newcastle) Alan Hughes (Lions) Alan Marley (Bris. City)
- 4 Goals-Terry Byrne (Canberra) John Nyskohus (Adelaide City) Ernie Campbell (Easts) Alan Ainslie (Olympic) Hilton Silva (Easts)

What's Happening in America

NEW YORK — The New York Cosmos are rolling along on a seven-game winning streak and show no signs of slowing up in their quest for a second consecutive North American Soccer League Shampinoship.

The Cosmos have yet to lose this season as they scored 23 goals and allowed only

The biggest attacking gun in their array of stars has been Italy's Giorgio Chinaglia, who leads the NASL in scoring with eight goals and five assists for 21 points.

Another major producer for the Cosmos has been Vladislav Bogicevic of Yugoslavia with four goals and seven assists. He is tied for fifth in the scoring race with 15 points.

Second in scoring is Irishman Mike Flanagan, almost a one-man scoring machine for the New Zealand Tea Men.

The 24 year old Flanagan, on loan from Charlton Athletic of the English League, has eight goals and one assist for 17 points.

He has accounted for all but three of New England's goals and at one point he scored seven consecutive goals for the team.

The Vancouver Whitecaps also are on a winning streak of five straight games and have moved into first place in their division.

The Cosmos edged the Colorado Caribous 4-3 on Sunday as Bogicevic scored twice and Chinaglia and Franz Beckenbauer of West Germany got the others.

Playing-coach Dave Clements of Britain, Jomo Sono of South Africa and American Bob Rohrbach scored for Colorado.

The California Surf blanked the Tampa Bay Rowdies 3-0 on goals by Manuel Cuenca of Spain and Americans Dan Counce and Steve Movers.

The Portland Timbers shaded the Detroit Express 1-0 on a goal by Pat Howard of England at 87 minutes and 22 seconds.

Colorado defeated the Philadelphia Fury 4-2. Sead Susic of Yugoslavia had a pair of goals for Colorado, with the others going to Americans Rohrbach and Louie Nanchoff. Peter Osgood of England and American Pat Fidelia connected for the Fury.

The Minnesota Kicks edged the Memphis Rogues 2-1 on goals by Alan Willey

of Britain and Ace Ntsoelengoe of South Africa. The Rogues' scorer was American Hugh O'Neil.

The Los Angeles Aztecs recorded a 2-1 win over the Oakland Stompers on a shootout as the teams were tied 1-1 after 90 minutes and a 15 minute overtime period. American Alan Kelly scored for Los Angeles and Ben Bozidar for Oakland.

Vamco Balevski scored the goal as the Toronto Metros beat Rochester 1-0. The Dallas Tornado nipped Toronto 2-1 on goals by American Kyle Rote, Jr., and Kai Haaskivi of Finland.

Seattle defeated the San Jose Earthquakes 3-1. Welshman Mike England and Englishmen Adrian Webster and Paul Crossley accounted for the Seattle goals and Dutchman Peter Ressel scored for San Jose.

Andy Rolland of England and Ray Hudson scored for the Fort Lauderdale strikers as they beat the San Diego Sockers 2-1. Walker McCall of Scotland scored for San Diego.

Rodney Marsh of Britain scored twice and Briton Dave Robb and South African Steve Wegerle got the other goals as the as the Tampa Bay Rowdies shut out Philadelphia 4-0.

Washington Diplomat's goalkeepr Bill Irwin, formerly of Cardiff City, helped beat the Tulsa Roughnecks 4-0. Irwin leads the League in shutouts with five.

Canadian Mike Bakic scored a pair for Washington and the others went to Sakib Viteskic of Yugoslavia and Paul Cannell of England.

Alan Willey of Britain scored for Minnesota in a 1-0 decision over Detroit.

Mike Flanagan had two goals and Englishmen Paddy Powell and Roger Gibbins added singles as New England whipped the Houston Hurricane 4-0.

Andy McBride of Britain, Spaniards Anselmo Vicioso and Manuel Cuenca, and Americans Dan Counce and Al Trost were the scorers for California in a 5-2 triumph over Oakland. Charlie Mrosko of West Germany booted both Oakland goals.

Los Angeles nipped the Chicago Sting 2-1 on an overtime goal by Gary Jones of England at 99 minutes and 54 seconds. American Rudy Ybarra also scored for Los Angeles and Jimmy Kelly of Britain scored for Chicago.

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SPOTLIGHT ON— IAN RATHMELL



ACTOR A CONTRACTOR CONTRACTOR AND CONTRACTOR
Full Name Ian Glen Rathmell
Birthplace Lanark, Scotland Birthdate 21st March, 1949
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Height 5 , $7\frac{1}{2}$
Weight
Previous Clubs Cambusling, Lanark
Married Yes to Janette.
Car Holden
Favourite Player Franz Beckenbauer
Favourite Other Team Liverpool
Most Difficult Opponent Hilton Silva
Most Memorable Match Ireland Youth Side
Biggest Thrill Playing in a Scottish Cup final and the Philips Cup Final.
Biggest Disappointment Missing games through injury.
Best Country Visited France
Favourite Food I'll try anything—love Italian Food.
Misc Likes Golf—travelling—parties
Misc. Dislikes Gardening—painting
Favourite T.V. Show Match of the day —Most sports shows

Favourite singers Neil Diamond, Rod Stewart, Barbra Streisand Favourite Actor Dustin Hoffman, Clint Eastwood Best Friend Have many Biggest influence on career mother and my wife. Biggest drag in soccer injuries—not Honours Scottish Youth Boys Club Queensland Personal Ambition To be healthy and Professional ambition To be successful. If you were not a soccer player what would you do Spend most of my time at home. Which person in the world would you like to meet There are too many

to name.

Ian is a player that gives always his best, and is always busy on the field, he has been a great loss to the team these

last few weeks, due to his injury—we hope to see him in the line up soon.

THIS GAME LAST YEAR

City 3 — Lions 1

Last year at this time, we saw a game full of controversy. In spite of an early Lions onslaught which nearly produced 2 or 3 goals, City remained calm throughout the match. 10 minutes after the whistle, Morris took a snap shot from a free kick but Borzi dived well and made a great save. At the 18th minute, Echeverria and Covne tried to score in a similar fashion as they had against Mooroolbark the previous week, but Coyne's header was off target. In the 23rd minute, Harland takes out his frustration on Echiverria and gets Lions 2nd Yellow card, the 1st having gone to Morris in the 9th minute. Then Echeverria joins the vellow card list when he kicks the ball away when Lions had received a free kick. In the 36th minute a penalty is awarded against Bennett and Hermiston takes the kick and makes it 1-0. This is how it stood as the boys left the field for half time. In the second half, Hughes brings down first Hermiston then Rathmell, and is shown the red card. In the

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71st minute Rathmell is upended just outside the box, Coyne takes the kick, passes to Echeverria, who hammers home City's 2nd goal.

The cards keep on coming as Tokesi brings down Neale and he gets a yellow card. Niven takes the free kick but Borzi makes yet another fantastic save. The 77th minute sees a penalty awarded against City and Morris takes the shot. The score stands at 2-1, then in the 87th minute City finish it off with a typical Gaffney cross from the left, Coyne heads into the middle and Johnston slams a volley past the helpless Dando. The man of the match just had to be Borzi.

BRISBANE CITY

BORZI, RATHMELL, HERMISTON, TOKESI, LAVELLE, ECHEVERRIA, GAFFNEY, PIMBLETT, CONNER, JOHNSTON, COYNE.

BRISBANE LIONS

DANDO, WILSON, BENNETT, POTTER, NIVEN, HARLAND, VENABLES, LASLO, NEALE, HUGHES, MORRIS, res FAGAN.

Referee: D. McDermott (A.C.T.)

Crowd: 6,400

Sent Off: Niven, Hughes.

Cautioned: Tokesi, Echeverria, Potter, Harland and Morris.

Cash for Goals

THE cash for goals sponsorship is going well. We now have 54 people who have pledged a certain sum of money for each goal scored by Brisbane City Philips League Squad. Let us keep this number growing and your name will be published in each issue of GO SOCCER when Brisbane City play their home match, so if you are in business this is a cheap way of advertising. Contact Gennaro Simeone or Pam Simeone on 266 9908 or any of Brisbane City's Director's.

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Dates to Keep in Mind

Friday 2nd June—Spaghetti Night at the Tavernetta (Club Dance).

Friday 9th June—Argentine B.B.Q. at Spenser Park for (Miss Gabriella Antonelli a Miss Brisbane City Quest Entent).

Saturday 10th June—Spaghetti Night at the Tavernetta (All proceeds to go towards the Junior Touring Fund.)

Saturday 12th August—Miss Brisbane City Junior Quest (Italian-Australian Centre.)

Saturday 30th September—Miss Brisbane City Quest (Italian-Australian Centre)

Please try to come along to one of these functions to help our club. For information or tickets contact Pam Simeone on 266 9908.

Brisbane City Juniors Spaghetti Night

TO be held on Saturday, 10th June at the 'Tavernetta' the Australian Italian Bowls Club. All proceeds are to go towards the 'Touring Fund which will be used to send Junior teams interstate and to other parts of Queensland, so come along all junior parents as this will benefit your children.

Tickets are now on sale — adults \$5.00; children (under 14) \$2.00. Contact Frank Battistin on 262 2628

or John Casasola 397 1285.

Spencer Park United Colts B

P W D L F A Pts Spencer 10 9 1 — 36 3 19 St. George 10 9 1 — 43 8 19

Apart from today's Derby, the Spencer Park v St. George Colts match should be a well fought game, as can be seen from the table above, they are neck and neck for 1st place, Horst Schneider is doing a great job with the colts. At last Saturday's game at Spencer Park, Horst who took the field still can show the youngsters what soccer is all about. Good luck to both Coach and players for today's game.

Miss Brisbane City Quest

We welcome the following entrants to the Miss Brisbane City Quest.

Gabriella Antonelli Luciana Ricato Susan Forshaw

We are still interested in having young girls enter the quest. Should you have a daughter or friend who is interested in entering this worthwhile cause, please contact our Quest Co-ordinator Pam Simeone on 266 9908.

Miss Brisbane City Junior Quest

This quest is open to girls between the age of 3 and 8 years old of any nationality. To be eligible for the judging each entrant must raise a minimum of \$50.00. The judging will take place at the Italian-Australian Centre on the 12th August 1978. All candidates will receive a consolation prize. Any interested persons please contact Pam Simeone on 266 9908.

Our good friends at FREIXENET gave Brisbane City their dozen bottles of great champagne after our last home win over Sydney Olympic on the 14th May, 1978. The team celebrated back at Spencer Park with Chicken & Champagne. A good time was had by all who came back to Spencer Park. One never knows, maybe we will be back there again this evening, let us hope that The Freixenet Company are keeping that beaut Spanish champagne on ice.

Brisbane City Players Fund

If you would like to provide a direct incentive to the boys, now is your chance. The players fund box is placed near the northern exit. When the team has performed well, as they can do, and you wish to show your support, please place your cash donations in the box. All money received will go directly to the players.

Brisbane City Building Fund

The draw for the trip to Argentina or 21 days in Europe is to take place at the club's dance and Spaghetti night on Friday 2nd June, 1978.

CLUB NEWS

SALISBURY DOUBLE

Wins by Salisbury's Third and Eighth division teams at North Star last week ensured they kept their top-of-the-ladder positions.

The third had a hard and perhaps lucky 2-0 victory, while the eighth played sparkling football for their 3-0 win.

Both teams are starting to show the results of the hard work put in by their coaches, Bob Bouchard and Keith Forrest under the guidance of club director of coaching, Fred Robins.

The third division team fought all the way for its victory and the scoreline flatters Salisbury.

The game was played at a furious pace with North Star constantly attacking and although two goals down always in the

Salisbury's win can be attributed to their fantastic defence and the ability of the team's forwards to take their chances.

A goal by scoring-dynamo, Bruce Austin, in the first two minutes made Salisbury's task easier.

Austin, who is averaging two goals a game, dribbled past four North Star defenders before hitting a great 25 yard shot for a brilliant goal.

North Star ignored the setback and immediately went on the attack.

They made persistent attacks on the Salisbury goal but the outstanding defence of Steve Gilliard and Steve Donald stopped any goals.

Donald had a fine game and on numerous occasions made crucial tackles as the last line of defence and dominated in the air.

So good was the Salisbury defence that although the team were defending goalkeeper Colin Jensen was not called to make many difficult saves.

In the second half Salisbury seemed to get a slight edge in the midfield and the pressure on the defence was lessened.

Johnny Carter ran all day and Graeme Stone played his usual constructive and hard-working game.

Dave Mahoney was brilliant in midfield with fine passing, tackling and running. The performance is even more creditable considering his state of health.

Salisbury's second goal, and clincher, came from the penalty spot.

The penalty was awarded after John Slater was fouled following a good long throw into the penalty box by Tony

Steve Donald capped his fine game when he made no mistake with the kick.

An inch-perfect penalty kick by Salisbury eighth division midfielder, Dave Grunwald, also helped his team to vic-

Grunwald skilfully sent the North Star keeper the wrong way before side-footing the ball just inside the opposite post.

Grunwald's goal, which was Salisbury's second, sealed the result of the game.

It was a well earned 3-0 win by Salisbury who played premiership-winning

From the outset the Salisbury players showed they were willing to run, pass and

The midfield trio of Grunwald, Gary Plant and Wayne Ham were brilliant.

The three ran continuously and were the brains behind several dangerous attacking moves.

Salisbury's first goal came late in the second half. Striker, Peter Wybranowski, slamed in a rebound after left-winger, Michael McIntyre's great header hit the upright.

Salisbury were not not as sharp in the second half and produced the fine football of the first half only in patches.

The team were spurred on after Grunwald's penalty and a third goal resulted.

Peter Wybranowski showed he is back to his goal-scoring form when he chased a long ball and slammed it into the North Star net giving the keeper no chance.

Although it was a day of midfield and attack mention must be made of the fine performance in defence by Pommy Al Barrow.

Barrow played his best game of the season and was brilliant in the way he casually brought the ball out of a pressured defence.

Jimmy Ross and Chris Bowen also had good games in defence.

Goalkeeper, Ian Randall, played well and made one great save off the line following a well-worked North Star free

Ted Hutchinson and Greg Gillespie also had good games. The struggling lack-lustre performance when they were beaten 1-0 by Acacia Ridge last week.

It was the second defeat in a row for the team which has the skill but not the heart to win games.

Acacia Ridge fully deserved their win and had they shot better in the second half the score would have been higher.

Salisbury started well and pushed the ball around confidently. Several attacks in the early minutes caused concern for the Acacia Ridge defence.

Midway through the first half Acacia Ridge started to get on top in midfield and Salisbury seemed content to throw away the advantage of the strong breeze by kicking long balls downfield in the hope one of the forwards would catch them.

Although the score at half time was nil all Acacia Ridge were well on top.

They got their winning goal early in the second half when a high bouncing ball on the left side of the goal was chipped over the Salisbury keeper and defence to an Acacia Ridge forward who had an open net.

After the goal Salisbury heads seemed to drop and the midfield and forwards were virtually ineffective.

Centre-half, Alan Barrow, had a good

Salisbury Colts team turned in another captains game and tried endlessly to raise his team.

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Coach Gary Plant now has several problems which will have to be ironed

After a great performance against league leaders, Merton, three weeks ago, he has seen his team crumble against weaker opposition.

His main problems are to find a midfield unit willing to run for 90 minutes and a forward who can get goals.

Unless these can be found or the team puts more effort into their game they will continue to languish at the foot of the table.

SCOOPING THE POOL

THE North Star Sports Club under 14 division (1) junior Soccer team have really scooped this year's Brisbane zone representative pool. Nine players from the team have been selected to play in the Brisbane Zone Games over the Queen's Birthday long weekend.

Those chosen are Robert Webster, Clive Stokes, Glen Archer, Peter Carter, Steve Williams, Paul Rainbird, Ian Gittins, Scott Cox and Warren Thomsett. From these games a Brisbane North team will be announced to compete in the Queensland trials over the August holidays.

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"ONE HURDLE JUMPED"

Last week Dutton Park jumped one hurdle in its quest for Premiership honours by defeating Adams Park United 2-1. As no referee was in attendance it was agreed to by both clubs that yours truly would act in the official capacity of referee, a job that I enjoy doing, but a bit wary of in important games such as this. As it turned out it was a very pleasureable experience for which I thank players and officials of both clubs.

The game started at a feverish pace with both sides playing attractive football on a Dutton Park pitch that has never looked or played better. Either side could have taken the lead at any time in the first 25 minutes, but it was left to former Adams Park striker now with Dutton Park, Duncan Brampton, to score the first goal against his old club with a ball hit from 18 yards out that left Adams Park keeper R. Slade stranded.

Adams Park, not to be denied, came back strongly and equalled the score 9 minutes later with a shot from K. Jones that was hit a half second before it reached the hands of Dutton Park keeper Eric Summons and slotted into the net.

Both sides tried to gain the advantage and score before half time, but it was not to happen and the sides went in 1-1.

After the break Dutton Park threw everything into attack, with a rearranged side that looked and performed much better than in the first half. But still the dogged defence of Adams Park held until the 23rd minute when as if showing contempt to his old club, Duncan Brampton swept up field and put a perfect ball



through to Doug Carningham who did the rest to make the score 2-1. Dutton Park were unlucky not to score again when a rocket hit by Gary Carter rebounded off the Adams Park keeper, but the follow-up shot soared high over the bar. (We won't mention who hit that shot, will we Doug). Final score 2-1 to Dutton Park.

Once again I would like to thank the Adams Park team, led by Tony Waller for the way they conducted themselves

on the field making my job as referee a pleasureable event.

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P.S. — Thanks to Brian McNicol (A.P.) for your run of the minute commentary during the game.

Up a Ghost — Casper

THE "IN" CROWD

TARINGA seems to be the "in" place to be just now, maybe the field is gaining a reputation for excitement and effort and this game did not alter the status quo. A good-crowd saw the ball kicked off in blowy conditions and in three minutes Taringa had to make a change when Trevor Davis was carried off with a suspicious looking leg injury.

Darra were pressurising the big Taringa defence by swinging long high balls into the aid and the wind did the rest but perhaps it was proving difficult for the attackers as well for only one clear cut chance was created by the tactic and the left winger tarried too long with his parting shot.

Craig Brimson was next to go with an injured back but the Taringa men with their two substitutes, Bristow and Arrowsmith dug in and held on grimly until half time.

Second half saw the game alter slightly the Darra boys getting the ball on the ground and finding themselves matched skill for skill and tackle for tackle with the Taringa boys.

Two former teammates Bob Wilson at centre half for Darra and Iain Young for Taringa were having a great tussle showing skills and tenacity in their play while "old man" Arrowsmith was shrewdly slowing the tempo and playing good long balls in behind the defence.

However the player of the match had to be another "old servant" Nils Larsen, who despite a badly broken nose, soldiered on with never a missed header or tackle.

On the day stars were all in defence. Both goalkeepers did everything asked of them the Darra boy showing great reflexes when getting down to a screaming shot by Bristow two minutes from time.

Wilson had a great debut for Darra while Larsen and Schumacher defended "to the death." Great courage was also shown by Glenn Davis, who despite a broken nose and a crippling thigh injury kept the Darra defence occupied enough with his shrewd use of the ball.

It was no place for weaklings, but despite no goals, the fans went home happy for they had been thoroughly entertained by the efforts of all 22 lads.

EAGLES CONSOLIDATE

LAST Friday night saw table toppers Eagles go to Lanham Park to try and get the points that would keep them firmly established as leaders.

Thistle on the other hand were just as keen to do the needful as defeat would mean a five point gap open up between the two teams.

Both teams had player problems, John Cochrane and Trevor Catchpole missing for Eagles and Dolan and Patterson absent from Thistle's midfield.

The game started sensationally. Young Ken Swan cashing in on a shocking piece of indecision between Marzaleck and Bennett to put Thistle one-up in three minutes. This was a great boost to Thistle who had been showing signs of being out manoeuvred in mid field where their two youngsters may have been slightly overawed.

However, it was in the two respective backlines that mistakes were being made and it came as no surprise when Tony Brennan found himself goalside of a square, flat footed defence, to equalise in eight minutes. These defensive errors went on unabated and allied to some shocking passing by both sides it promised to be an interesting evening as first McCabe "chipped" a loose ball from outside the box to catch a badly positioned Gee, then ten minutes later Tony Bailey picked his spot to bring Thistle back into the match.

Here we were, four goals in thirty minutes ,and it would be nice to say the game was great but it would be untrue. All the goals and near goals being simply the result of bad play by both sides who as table toppers should be above that sort of thing.

Half time — Thistle 2, Eagles2.

The second half started as the first finished with Tony Brennan running freely across the sparsely populated danger area and rifling a rather soft shot under a strangely sluggish Peter Gee.

Suddenly, and incredibly, the game came to life. Play tightened up, passes began to find their mark and of the two sides Thistle looked the more likely.

Duncan Taylor began to hammer long shots at Bennett's charge and one of them crashed off the bar with the goalie well beaten.

Thistle were using both wings and exerting almost one way traffic on the game but to no avail. Matt Carson brought on Eric Pattison (yes the Eric Pattison) but it didn't really make too much difference

although he did play a few shrewd balls in front of the breakaway twins Brennan and Millman but they were all wasted by **NEWMARKET** bad finishing or mopped up by a tighter Thistle defence.

Thistle sacrificed a defender bringing on young Clunas for Lazenby but the lads inexperience saw him miss out on two well created chances.

Right on the whistle Peter Gee saved a McCabe penalty kick, but had it gone in it would have put a completely false picture on the game. Thistle for their second half fight deserved at least one point if not two and Eagles will have to learn there is much more to be accomplished on a football field than hopeful long balls to two speedsters.

This type of game may have won a grand final last year for Redlands but it was accomplished against some very disorganised and inexperienced defences.

Their (Eagles) second half performance was disappointing to say the least, as their constructive football ability was non existant and if they have to be worthy league leaders we will expect much more from players like McCabe, Marszaleck and Lindsay who are all talented players if they are allowed to express themselves.

CONVINCING WIN TO

by "The Professional"

3rd DIVISION — Despite the pre-match talk about how strong Olympic were, Newmarket had little trouble winning 1-0. Although Newmarket only managed the one goal, they completely outclassed Olympic and dominated the game. Again Newmarket's forward line did not capitalize on their opportunities as they missed at least three good chances.

Play for the first 25 minutes would not have told the spectator anything as the game moved from end to end and, amazingly, a lot of good football was being played. Newmarket were doing especially well against the strong blustery wind, and after some good work up the left wing by Kerry Felsch, he passed the ball infield to Frank Morrison. Somehow, from point blank range, Olympic's goalie managed to save Frankie's shot.

Paul Campbell and Dave Millis were working extra hard in midfield for New-

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market, winning every ball in the air and tackling hard.

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Just before half time, another promising move by Newmarket saw Frank Morrison in possession of the ball. He slipped past Olympic's right back, but was blatently fielded in the penalty area. Newmarket's penalty taker problem was further aggravated when Frank Morrison hit the penalty against the post.

With the game looking set to end in a goal-less draw, Newmarket silenced the noisy Olympic crowd with a brilliant 70th minute goal by elusive striker Frank Morrison. Most of the credit though must go to Paul Campbell, as he won the ball in mid field to set Frankie up for the goal.

Newmarket's young goalkeeper, Ross Mason, played an outstanding game in goals. For the first time in about four games, Ross was required to do a lot more work and he handled the pressure like an experienced veteran.

Olympic pounded away at Newmarket's defence, but skipper Peter Donovan guided his team clear of trouble. Tony Cooper had an excellent game, as did Peter Campbell at right back.

Newmarket has finally found some semblance of style and purpose and let's hope it continues if they hope to stay on top of the league.

The game itself provided few memorable highlights, but the result must have satisfied coach Kev Kelly, and that irresistable manager Ron Atkinson.

8th DIVISION — In a rather dour and lack lustre game, Newmarket drew 1-1 with Olympic.

Despite a confident start, Newmarket found themselves on the receiving end of punishing tackles and fell into a heap trying to match Olympic's aggressiveness. The refereeing left a lot to be desired.

There's not too much one can say about the game, as Newmarket played good football for only 40 minutes. The rest was a comedy of errors with the lads missing at least four open goals.

It's the old story, chances must be taken if games are to be won.

Olympic were the first to score when Newmarket's Rob Perry's ridiculous back pass resulted in giving away a corner to Olympic. Olympic scored from the corner and now the pressure was on Newmarket.

In the 35th minute, Newmarket equalised when the ever reliable striker John Morrison headed home a free kick. Up to half time, play continued at a slow pace with very few chances being created by either side.

Newmarket were determined to make amends for several near misses in the first half, but their run of bad luck continued throughout the second half. After John Morrison went off injured, replacement forward Ray White missed three open goals and Brian King, who had an exceptionally good game, missed two headers from corners.

Denis Stephenson and Alex Dimitrijevic tried desperately to regain the initiative for Newmarket, but lacked support. Skipper Peter White, sporting new shorts and boots, never raised a sweat until the last ten minutes and keeper Dave Smith also had very little work to do.

Paul Lowe, Neil Masters, Rob Perry and Gary Kettles, all lacking ball control, should find themselves sitting on the sideline next week as they had shocking games for Newmarket.

ANNERLEY ANALYSIS

by Bill Willians

THEIR confidence restored after a win last week Annerley started brightly against Sunnyside at Heath Park knocking the ball around freely and looking like a winning side. They could have scored several times in the first half when good shots from Oakes, Lampitt, Burden and Blackall were saved by Sunnyside's defence or were just wide of

Playing well for Annerley in this period were Tom Gray and John Reid, the latter having his first game for us for a couple of seasons. John has been overseas, sustained a broken leg and played in Western Australia during this time and it is good to see him back with all his old skills.

Against the run of play in the 39th minute Bob Dempster scored for the home side with a shot from 30 metres which looked like going wide but dipped in the wind and went in off the right hand upright. Sunnyside held that lead at the interval, but Annerley were not too concerned as they were playing well.

However, in the second half they suddenly lost all their rhythm and kept losing control of the ball, with the game deteriorating as a result.

From looking like winners, losing became a distinct possibility. With Sunny-side's defence led capably by Bromfield Annerley's chances did not look bright but in the 79th minute it all changed when a long free kick by Gary Lovell was hooked over from the right wing by Gray and Stan Dunlop was on hand to

The opening goal to Richlands came in the 35th minute when Graham Wilson slammed the ball home after Redland's defence had nullified two other chances seconds before Wilson latched on to the sphere. But it was the skilful speed of Kelso who was put through the home defence by Chris Hill seven minutes later that brought the equaliser.

For another 40 minutes they battled it out with Richlands doing more of the attacking, although Redlands front three of Kelso, Danny Hill and John Bridge were more penetrative. The winning goal followed a free kick taken on the right about 30 metres out. It was skilfully placed for Wilson to head backwards to Tom McGregor and the latter accepted the chance with glee.

TRIDENT END MITCHY

2nd DIVISION — Trident gained a morale boosting 1-nil victory over league and undefeated leaders, Mitchelton, after their disappointing defeat by Wynnum.

The game opened at a fast pace with both teams playing a hard game of soccer which produced some good football. It was fairly even, with plenty of chances for both sides to secure an early lead. Trident's pressure paid off — an opening was created in Mitchelton's defence and Leigh Fett took this opportunity to score the only goal of the match.

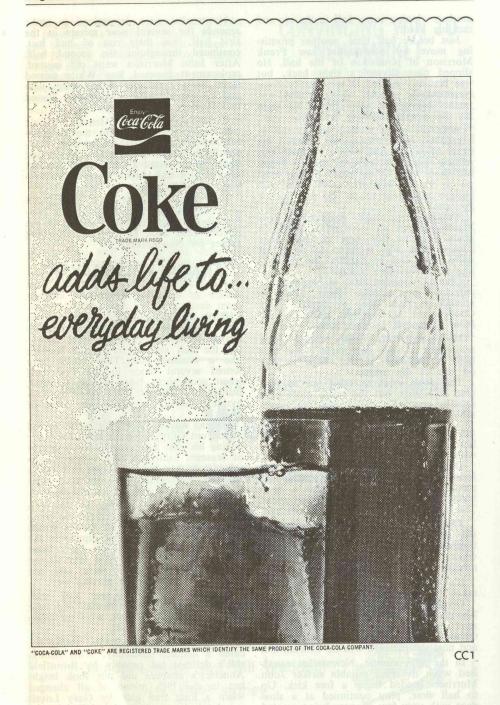
The second half proved to be a replica of the first, with both sides maintaining constant pressure. Any scoring chances that Mitchelton might have had were denied to them by the performance of Peter Harris, Sam Mancini and Dennis Lockhart.

A hard win for Trident as a result of "team effort"

7th DIVISION — Mitchelton stopped Trident from winning their fifth consecutive game by 2-0.

The first half proved to be virtually incident free, with both sets of defence holding the upper hand, so much so that Mark Bond had a great game between the sticks, picking out of the air two certain goals, and with the support of Dave Southern, Rob Rogers were able to hold back Mitchelton to a scoreless first half.

The second half started tragically for Trident. In harmless looking situation a



score at his second attempt. The final score provided a valuable point for both

The sixth division saw a pretty even contest with Annerley finally winning 3-2. At 1-1 at half time and 2-2 midway through the second half a draw seemed likely until Peter Acres won a race against the goalkeeper and pushed the ball in for the winning goal. Annerley's keeper John Dibartolomeo gave a good display and could not be blamed for the goals against

Our ninth division returned to the winning list with an 11-0 victory over Souths but our Colts were beaten 2-1 by Merton East. We extend our congratulations to the players selected in the Australian Under 19 squad, particularly Johnny Ogden and our own Tony Scanlan.

RICHLANDS TRIUMPH

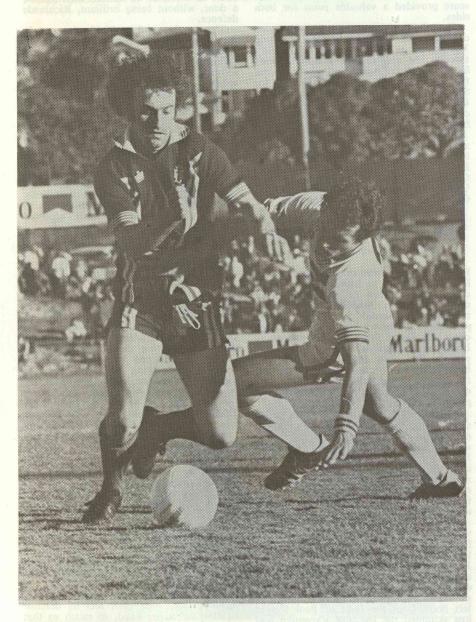
by Reg Irskine

RICHLANDS' home match against Redlands was played in front of the smallest crowd I have seen for a first division match at Lions Stadium. (The match incidentally deserved to earn a greater patronage). Is there a trend, as the weather cools off for a fall-off in spectators at Friday night matches? Or is it that some patrons find that under the lights they have difficulty in recognising players on the far side of the field? Or was it because of the positions of the two teams on the premiership table?

THE MATCH — Although Richlands secured the two points and had more of the play, Redlands can be considered unlucky as Barry Kelso or was it Danny Hill (my eyes and those lights and my age) hit the upright of an open goal after he had drawn Rod McKenzie well out. And it was McKenzie who on two further occasions came well out of his area to effect lunging saves from Kelso.

Dick Karreman was not found to be wanting either, particularly when Richlands had taken the lead and stormed to the assault to increase that advantage. It was he who left his lines to make a great save from Craig Low and repeated the dose a few minutes later. Early exchanges favoured the home team. A left hook from the boot of Paul Sleight just skimmed the bar and Karreman had to concede a corner from another Sleight effort. Then a header from Paul Ontong, following a cross from the left did not miss by too much.

A brilliant Redlands move with Matt Jackson, Alan Danvers and Danny Hill switching the ball from one end to the



QUEENSLAND left fullback George Potter lunges and applies a restraining hand to the midriff of Dundee's ace goalscorer Billy Pirie, who replaced Ian McDougall at halftime of last Sunday's match. Pirie, who had been in doubt with a leg injury, was rarely able to display his skills because of the stong Queensland backline, of which Potter was a prominent member.



BRISBANE Lions' John Neale, who played on the right wing for Queensland, displays his prowess in the air as he outjumps leftback Alex Caldwell in search of an Eddie Spearitt cross but his header rammed into the side netting. Waiting in support is Dundee centre half Bobby Glennie. Neale outjumped the Dundee defence in the second half and on that occasion his header was just wide of the upright. which Potter was a prominent member.

ball was cleared off the line only to see it deflect off a Mitchelton player into the goal mouth. However, Trident regrouped and for next 20 minutes Donnie MacDonald and Steve Mecner very prominent laid seige to the visitor's goal, only to be denied of any scoring chances by Mitchelton's defence. Minutes from full time Mitchelton struck again from a cross ball which found unmarked player who had no difficulty in scoring from a free header.

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Best player for Trident was Rob Rogers who tried his heart out until the final whistle.

MERTON'S MIXED BAG

by Eric Sinclair

I WASN'T able to get to Lions Stadium to see the sixth division on Friday night but I'm told by my sometimes reliable informant, P.Z., that I missed quite a good game against Richlands. The lads came back from a three-one deficit to take away a point. I'm not able to name any of the lads for their performance because I didn't see it, but "Tubby" Brad Baker was heard complaining in the bar on Sunday that he had had his best game for the season and there was no one there to give him a wrap. Brad, you've had your wrap, sorry it's not big enough to cover your fish and chips.

One interesting aspect of this game was the appearance of three regular members of Lions PSL squad in sixth division. Alan Hughes, John Ogden and Paul Laslo. The argument put by the PSL sides at the beginning of last season and earlier, when they sought retention of sides in first division, was that it would be unfair to play players of PSL standard in any grade lower than first division. The inclusion of these players in sixth division shows how much baloney that argument was. Particularly as they did retain a side in the first division.

Congratulations to our lads on taking a point from this obviously loaded side.

Saturday at Spencer Park saw Merton first division side again squander two points as they did against Mt. Gravatt on the previous weekend. They created enough chances in the first half to have won this game, but in the second half they didn't seem to want to win. They played the game across field continuously rather than up the field. In this half they had the wind at their backs and the sun in the defender's eyes, yet, there was no attempt to pressure the Spencer Park United defence. This is the third game lost by the odd goal which should have been won.

This obvious reluctance to play the ball forward must be reducing goal scoring opportunities. Goals come from in and around the opposition penalty area, not from the middle of the park. On one of the very few times when the ball was played forward in the second half resulted in a goal to "Chub" Donsky, but by this time Spencer Park United had two and there was not enough effort put in by our lads to even try to get the equaliser. Sorry lads, not very impressed by this game or last weeks against Mt. Gravatt.

Sunday at Annerley saw the Colts return to the winning list. Annerley were handicapped by having to play about eight minutes of this game with ten men after one of their blokes was sent off. Even with the ten men they made things tough for our lads.

This game saw the youngsters get into it right from the start rather than waiting for the opposition to get an early goal, as they have done on three or four times lately. The first twenty minutes saw some good football from both sides before Pete Davis was able to knock in the first for Merton. Merton put some attractive stuff togther for the remainder of the first half without any change in the score.

After the break the lads took some time to settle down and allow Annerley to get back into the game early through a Dave Ingram goal. They settled down after that and took the game right up to Annerley. George Takis having one of his better games took some stick from the Annerley full back who couldn't stop him fairly so resorted to doing it the other way. George was awarded no less than half a dozen free kicks after having his legs whipped away by the full back. One of these resulted in our second goal when George drove a good looking shot on target, the Annerley keeper got both hands to it but, very obligingly dropped it onto the head of Pete Davis who put away his second for the game.

Merton really applied the pressure from then on, shots came from everywhere. George Takis again figured in play when he showed that he can use his right foot for other things than standing on by ramming one through a crowded defence only to see it hit the upright. Shots came from Steve Moss, Ben Fegan, Graham Fisher, all without joy and the game ended at Merton East 2, Annerley 1.

Lyndon Hadley, Ben Fegan and Richie Murphy, until he came off injured, all had great games at the back. I'm tipping that it won't be very long before we see young "Craddock" in a first division shirt. I think he's earned it with consistently good form all the season. Some of the other lads could also be considered for promotion at least they show some enthusiasm for the game which seems to be lacking in some of the top sides at present.

Don't forget the Club Social on Friday 9th June. Tickets are available from Mrs. Melville (senior). She'll be only too pleased to hear from anyone interested. The Social is not restricted to Merton supporters so any GO SOCCER reader interested is also welcome. Venue Heath Park Clubhouse. Kick off 7.30 p.m.

IPSWICH ITEMS

by Iain Kesson

OUR first draw of the season and one we could have done without. Two points would have put us in clear second place, but now we share it with St. George.

In a game where we had 75-25% possession we should have taken two first half chances. Norths were surprisingly defensive in the first half and we did not punish them for it.

The second half was only four minutes old when Geoff Dann made a great run down the middle, laying the ball off to Ian Lawrie, whose shot found the bottom right hand corner.

We improved for about 20 minutes then we allowed Norths to come at us and the inevitable happened. With two minutes to go Norths got a corner, Greg Donnelly failed to clear and in the ensuing scramble Ron Kidd poked the equaliser

Two weeks in a row we have failed to clear corners and have been punished. Jeff Dann had a strong game for Ipswich and Tom Giles and Alan Curtis were honest performers for Norths.

The wind spoiled the game as a spectacle and Mr. Amos in the middle left a lot to be desired.

You cannot control the game from the centre of the field and flashing yellow cards after you have allowed worse fouls to go unchecked is not the answer. Get up with the play and maybe you might be able to give a few correct decisions.

This is not sour grapes — ask Norths for their opinion.

Our reserves had a 4-2 win over Wynnum in the sixth division, Rick Kitching getting 2 and Laurie Devereaux and Bryan Kathage one each. We were two up

and relaxed, letting Wynnum back into the game in the second half, and they nearly gave us a fright, getting two goals back, but fortunately we woke up in time to come out comfortable winners.

It's hard for this side to keep its form up in a League where they are obviously too good for the rest. So we have to drive

ourselves every week.

The senior colts had another win in a very scrappy game at Ebbw Vale on Saturday beating Virginia 3-0. We scored two quick goals through Phil Greenall and Norm Pennells but then the game died as Virginia went into defence.

Best for Saints were Phil Greenall, Steve Muller and Kevin Gardiner.

Booval Stars had a good win over Toowong 2-0. Sorry no details.

Our ladies in the second division had a 1-1 draw and the third division ladies had a big 5-0 win over Brighton.

The second junior colts defeated Logan Athletic 2-0. All in all not a bad weekend for Ipswich Soccer.

No defeats in seven games reported here.

Back to the previous weekend, as unfortunately good old Telecom prevented our copy from reaching the editor. We were away to Redlands in the first division and it's a credit to Dick Karreman that we won only 2-1. He made at least four great saves. Despite Diving Dicky, our two goals came from Ian Lawrie, the first from a chip shot and the second after a good run from Trevor Broadbent.

I would like to see the QSF laying down some hard and fast rules on "match balls". Some of the over inflated balloons that referees select to play with are ridiculous. We had two beauty's last weekend against Redlands. Surely the QSF could nominate a specific ball that all clubs should play with as in the PSL, where a standard ball is used throughout. It's the only way we will get uniformity as we certainly can't rely on the referees' judgment. The cost of a good class match ball is about \$40. If it's used only for League games, not training, and is looked after, it will last a team a full season. Surely the first priority must be a decent ball!

Once again I'm having a go at the men in the middle. At Redlands the week before we had to firstly put up with the arrogance of Mr. Barry Such in the sixth division match. Referees who speak to players and club officials like dogs deserve the same in return. A good referee is not there to be the centre of attraction in any game — quite the opposite. Mr. Bill Turkington, who was in charge of the main game (and I use the term "in charge" very loosely). What a display — I sometimes wonder if we are all working at the same game with the same set of rules. There were at least five or six occasions when players from both sides tried to shield a ball, but Mr. Turkington gave a foul against them, when in fact the players were doing no wrong.

What I would like to know is this. A professional gets paid to do a job to the best of his ability. If he doesn't, he doesn't get paid. This is how it works with coaches and players — if we don't perform we don't get paid. What about the refs? They are in the unique position of getting paid week in and week out regardless of performance. I would be interested and I'm sure many readers of GO SOCCER would be keen to hear from the Referees' Association how refs are judged. If they are. And how many times a year are they checked out? My players are judged on three nights a week training and a game at the weekend, and I'm judged on the results. This is pretty hard scrutiny for players earning \$15 a week. How much can a referee earn in a weekend?

Q.S.F. — QANTAS POINTS TABLES

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FIRST DIVISION

	. P	VV	D	L	-	A	PIS
Eagles	9	7	1	1	20	13	15
Ipswich Utd.	9	5	1	3	16	10	11
St. George	9	4	3	2	15	10	11
Thistle	9	4	2	3	19	11	10
Nth. Brisbane	9	3	4	2	18	15	10
Merton	9	4	1	4	10	9	10
Mt. Gravatt	9	3	2	4	13	15	8
Spencer Park	9	3	2	4	14	19	8
Richlands	9	3	1	5	14	18	7
Redlands	9	3	1	5	13	19	7
Annerley	9	1	5	3	9	16	7
Sunnyside	9	2	1	6	12	18	5

SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Wynnum	8	7	-	1	25	7	14
Mitchelton	8	6	1	1	19	8	13
Gold Coast	8	5	2	1	18	12	12
Acacia Ridge	8	5	-	3	18	13	10
Coalstars	8	4	1	3	14	14	9
Trident	8	4	1	3	13	13	9
Oxley	8	2	2	4	13	13	6
Taringa	8	2	2	4	10	13	6
Souths	8	3	. —	5	6	14	6
Darra	8	1	3	4	15	16	5
Redcliffe	8	2	1	5	9	21	5
Fort Valley	8	- VALUE OF VA	1	7	15	31	1

THIRD DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Salisbury	8	6	1	1	18	7	13
Olympic	8	5	1	2	19	9	11
Newmarket	7	5	1	1	18	9	11
Rovers	8	4	3	1	15	9	11
Westside	8	5	210	3	25	12	10
Pine Rivers	8	4	1	3	16	16	9
St. Albans	7	4	_	3	14	11	8
North Star	7	2	2	3	9	12	6
Willowburn	7	2	-	5	14	27	4
The Gap	8	1	1	6	11	15	3
Nerang	7	1	1	5	6	17	3
Inala Rangers	7		1	6	5	26	1

FOURTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Goodna	7	5	1	1	14	4	11
Booval Stars	8	4	3	1	15	8	11
Industrial	7	5	1	1	31	14	11
Brighton	8	5	1	2.	37	20	11
Twin Towns	7	4	2	1	27	10	10
University	7	5	-	2	11	7	10
Kingsridge	8	4	2	2	25	23	10
Northside	6	2	1	3	16	14	5
Toowong	8	2	1	6	6	16	4
Bayside	8	1	2	5	12	25	4
Padua	8	1	(Lung II	7	13	45	2
Rochedale	8	-	1	7	8	29	1

FIFTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
RAAF	8	7	1	-	19	3	15
Dutton Park	8	7	-	1	39	4	14
South Star	8	6	1	1	21	14	13
Albany Creek	8	3	3	2	16	12	9
Samford	8	4	1	3	20	15	9
Adams Park	6	3	1	2	11	7	7
Wacol	7	3	1	3	20	14	7
Slacks Creek	8	2	3	3	10	15	7
Police Acad.	8	2	1	5	15	22	5
Moggill	8	1	1	6	13	30	3
Greenbank	8	1	-	7	4	35	2
North Pine	7	-	1	6	5	22	1

SIXTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	
St. Helens	8	8		_	29	8	16	
Annerley	10	7		3	27	21	14	
Mt. Gravatt	10	6	1	3	24	16	13	
Redlands	9	6		3	28	15	12	
Nth. Brisbane	9	6	-	3	23	18	12	
Sunnyside	7	5	1	1	24	8	11	
Wynnum	10	5	1	4	22	24	-11	
Eagles	8	4	_	4	26	18	8	
Merton	8	1	2	5	12	25	4	
Richlands	9	1	1	7	12	40	3	
Thistle	8	_		8	6	40	0	

SEVENTH DIVISION

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	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Acacia Ridge	8	8	-	-	29	4	10
Mitchelton	8	7	1	-	29	6	1
Trident	8	5	-	3	29	17	10
Darra	8	4	1	3	20	8	
Oxley	8	4	1	3	22	27	,
Redcliffe	8	3	2	3	15	13	8
Taringa	8	4	_	4	17	18	8
Gold Coast	8	3	11	4	22	22	201
Souths	8	3		5	12	19	(
Rovers	8	2	-	6	13	29	4
Fort. Valley	8	2	_	6	11	32	4
Pine Rivers	8	1	9.75	8	8	32	(

EIGHTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	la la	-	A	Pts
St. Albans	7	5	2	_	33	9	12
Salisbury	8	5	2	1	23	11	12
North Star	7	5	-	2	28	11	10
Newmarket	8	4	2	2	20	13	10
Olympic	8	4	2	2	25	17	10
Westside	8	4	2	2	8	7	10
Rochedale	8	4	1	3	17	8	9
The Gap	8	4	1	3	16	10	9
University	8	4	-	4	20	10	8
Brighton	8	-	2	6	12	42	2
Toowong	8	_	1	7	8	33	1
Inala Rangers	8	-	1	7	8	47	1

NINTH DIVISION

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Mitchelton	8	6	2	-	35	3	
Annerley	8	6	1	1	51	8	
Taringa	8	5	3	-	19	6	
Goodna	8	5	1	2	39	19	
North Star	8	4	1	3	24	10	
Wynnum	8	4	1	3	18	8	
Mt. Gravatt	8	3	1	4	20	18	
Industrial	8	3	_	5	19	24	
Bayside	8	2	2	4	12	29	
Adams Park	8	2	_	6	13	31	
Souths	8	1	_	7	7	53	
Redcliffe	8	1		7	5	53	

COLTS POINTS TABLE

COLTS A	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Merton	10	8	1	1	26	8	1
Thistle	10	7	2	1	27	7	1
Redcliffe	10	7	1	2	18	10	1
Nth. Brisbane	9	6	1	2	21	12	1
Richlands	10	5	1	4	24	14	1
Acacia Ridge	10	5	1	4	20	19	1
North Star	9	5		4	25	23	1
Coalstars	9	4	2	3	14	17	1
Mitchelton	10	4		6	27	26	
Salisbury	10	3	2	5	15	21	
Annerley	10	2	3	5	21	27	
Mt. Gravatt	10	3	_	7	23	36	
Gold Coast	10	1	2	7	11	31	
Pine Rivers	9		_	9	14	35	

COLTS B	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Spencer Park	10	9	1	234	36	3	19
St. George	10	9	1	_	43	8	19
St. Helens	10	9		1	29	5	18
Thistle	. 9	7	-	2	29	9	14
Inala City	10	6	11	3	37	11	13
Redlands	9	4	1	4	21	20	9
The Gap	9	4	1	4	15	15	9
Bardon Jnr.	10	4		6	16	17	8
Wynnum	10	3	1	6	21	36	7
Newmarket	9	3	0-1	6	13	43	6
Nth. Brisbane	10	2	-	8	13	21	4
Ipswich City	8	1		7	12	33	2
Virginia	8	1	-	7	3	29	2
Souths	10	1	_	9	12	50	2

LEADING FIRST DIVISION GOALSCORERS

- 8 Goals Steve Perkovic (Sunnyside)
- 7 Goals— Tony Brennan (Eagles) Len Pollock (Norths) Tony Bailey (Thistle)
- 6 Goals Ian Lawrie (Ipswich Utd.) Barry Kelso (Redlands) Brian Lampitt (Annerley)
- 5 Goals— Steve Constaninou (St. George) Ian Steele (Mt. Gravatt)
- 4 Goals —
 Gerry Kay (Merton)
 Ron Millman (Eagles)
 Paul Sleight (Richlands)
 Glen Berry (St. George)
 Craig Wallace (Spencer Park)
 John Patterson (Thistle)

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TWO LOCALS IN

MIDFIELDER Johnny Ogden and goalkeeper Tony Scanlan were chosen in a preliminary squad of 24 by national coach Jim Shoulder which will be used to form the national under-19 team to play against Coca Cola World Youth Cup champions U.S.S.R. in September and subsequent qualifying matches for the 1979 World Youth Cup.

The players from other States chosen are: Brett Cowburn, Graham Jennings, Peter Tredinnick (Northern New South Wales); Greg Woodhouse, Ian Rowden, Peter Katholos, Robert Drews, Peter Raskopoulos, Craig Hall (New South Wales); Danny Moulis, Steven Hogg, Mike Milovanovic (A.C.T.); Jeff Oliver, George Christopoulos, Allan Davidson (Victoria); Peter Ammirato, Paul Iannace, George Koulianos, Ian May (South Australia); John Spanos, Steve Tombides (Western Australia).

Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir,

Firstly, commiserations to the players and teams trying their utmost to play a reasonably skilful game of football. Teams such as Mitchelton, Gold Coast, Wynnum and hopefully Acacia Ridge, although I've yet to see the latter play this year.

These teams which are currently heading the second division points table show some sort of promise that the "skill factor" still plays a major part in the game of football. The Mitchelton-Gold Coast clash a few weeks ago was a pleasure to watch. There was fast open attacking football, play moving from end to end, and most importantly a good hard clean game.

Secondly, raspberries to the players and teams hell bent on destroying the game by masquerading under the title of "robust". Jim Binnie, the producer and director of his own "chopper squad" has the job in front of him trying to extract the best from his players, who at the moment are intent on showing their worst, the goalkeeper niot included. Words written on the skill in Taringa's play would fit very neatly on an 18 cent stamp.

Recently I was unfortunate enough to play in the Mitchelton-Coalstars game at Teralba Park. Unfortunate, because of the very poor display by the referee, who seemed to have his red card screwed in his back pocket. When a player can be heavily fouled five and six times in the one half and a referee turns a blind eye to the offender, something is terribly wrong. If I kick a man down while strolling down Queen St. I am liable to be arrested and charged with Assault, possibly even jailed. But in football a man is allowed to get away with this week after week. Whatever happened to the old system whereby one foul was a caution and if cautioned again, the player was sent off. That system has sadly been dispensed

With the now near extinction of players in the Carrigan and Fraser class I suggest that we either take a good hard look at the whole system or else we may as well pick up our gear, trot over to Lang Park and in one almighty battle beat each other's heads into submission.

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alias Veritas,

of the Second Division-Bardon.

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DIARY OF THE DUNDEE MATCH

3 mins: Queensland apply the pressure early and Marley gives Glennie first hint of what to expect when he wins Queensland's first corner.

5 mins: A Perry overlap enables him to join forces with Hermiston and the eventual square ball comes to Dolan, who startles Donaldson with a blistering left foot shot which whistles just wide of the post.

8 mins: Queensland's defence shows first signs of being in trouble when Redford makes a good run down his left wing and a defender just manages to block McDougall's final shot, which was on target.

13 mins: Ford is making some dangerous thrusts from his rightback position and one such move sends Redford, who has switched to the right, in the clear but Lownds comes out well to clear the ball from the winger's bootlaces. Sinclair lurking on the right regains possession and his cross finds the unmarked Williamson, who nods a clear header wide with the goal at his mercy.

16mins: Dundee again put together some good attacking work and Lownds shows his class by repelling raids from Ford and Williamson.

33mins:Dundee get upset when McGeachie is left prone on the ground after earlier fouling Spearitt from behind. It worked for Queensland when Marley is dragged down just after leaving the box. Gaffney dummies the free kick and Spearitt's cross is well headed by Neale but flies into the side netting.

43 mins: Marley and Gaffney put together one of the best moves of the match and Morris is left in the clear down the middle but his right foot shot is pretty comfortably taken by Donaldson.

49 mins: Dundee almost open up when Redford takes a corner, McPhail knocks a pass into the box where Sinclair jumps well but pushes a header under the crossbar and it rebounds into play.

53 mins: Perry makes another forceful run down the right wing and he feeds Morris. The little winger leaves two defenders in his wake and confronts Donaldson but his shot screws wide. 55 mins: Ford, who had been switched to midfield at halftime by Tommy Gemmell, lays on a great pass for Williamson, who is left with only Lownds to beat, but several teammates shake their heads in disbelief as his weak shot rolls out for a goal kick.

57 mins: Dundee take a short corner and the defence, including Lownds jump for the subsequent cross and with the 'keeper out of position, Williamson again shoots weakly and Hermiston has no trouble halting it before it reaches the goal line.

59 mins: Hermiston and Spearitt combine well down the left wing and the latter's cross enables Neale to again outjump the Dundee defence, but his header zips only inches past the far post.

60 mins: Ford takes a free kick for Dundee, Bennett mis-kicks his clearance and Lownds is almost decapitated as he dives at the boot of a Dundee striker. With the ball still loose, Sinclair bombs a sitter from right in front.

68 mins: Quennsland's turn for a free kick, taken by Morris deep on the left. Marley again does well to shoulder defenders out of the way and lays a ball to Neale, who pumps it over the top.

70 mins: Dundee hit back at the other end, and a Ford cross is struck so strongly Lownds is forced to back-pedal and nudge it over the bar.

71 mins: Good end to end stuff continues as Morris and Hermiston link up well and the ball comes back to the advancing Potter, whose thundering left foot shot is not all that far off target.

78 mins: Dundee finally break through with Redford's corner, which is not cleared by the defence and the opening is presented for Williamson, who easily atones for his earlier misses.

82 mins: Queensland almost snatch their deserved equaliser. Spearitt takes a corner which is knocked out to fullback Schaedler. But Gaffney storms in and takes possession and his cross is good enough to elude Donaldson and find Morris, but the crowd groans as his goalward header is cleared off the line by McGeachie.

QUEENSLAND v DUNDEE — an opinion

LAST Sunday saw our first "official" look at our new style Queensland side, picked and prepared in the usual rushed manner with no apparent planning for future performances. Many had seen the mighty fightback performance against Australia last November when a hastily brought together eleven had given the Socceroos the fight of their esteemed life but even the excitement generated that evening had not motivated the "powers that be" into establishing a program of appearances for our new pride and joy to gain the necessary practice and togetherness that hones a team to sharpness.

So here they were, six of that eleven, and some of the reserves, retained by Denis Ford, who added Lownds, Bennett, Neale, Perry, Gaffney, Tokesi, Echeverria and Wishart, to take over from Gee, Dando, Wilkinson, Niven, Runje and Patterson. Steve Perry, playing so well at sweeper for City was moved to his former full-back position and understandably would take a while to settle back in. With Gaffney in for Paterson and Neale for Kelso the team had been given a real P.S.L. look, the one exception in the first choice being Steve Dolan, the Thistle mid-fielder.

Dundee are not a bad side. Let no one fool the reader. They narrowly (by one point) missed promotion into the top ten teams company in Scotland and many felt their luck was hardest when they recently beat, on the away ground, both the sides that pipped them for the top spots. They had by far the better "goals for" column and the same defensive record so it could be argued that but for that one point they were the best team in the division. With a young manager and a young coach one had to but spend a little time in their company to realise the Brisbane game was their chance to vindicate their performance in Newcastle, when they narrowly lost to a Newcastle P.S.L. side with everything to gain and nothing to lose and playing with a like exuberance perhaps based more on the exuberance than skill.

Queensland are not like Newcastle. The eleven picked to play were representative of all that is good in our football. No hatchet men, no killers, just eleven men out to prove our skills are now the equal of professional overseas teams.

How did they fare? Lownds did all a goalkeeper had to do except save a close range shot from Williamson that won the game for the visitors.. Perry as expected

took time to settle but long before the end he had fitted into the "Lions" back line like the fingers into a glove and we watched move after move born in the backline as possession was retained, and selected passes sent through to forwards. By the end of the game the Perry, Bennett Hermiston, Potter, backline was superior to its Dundee counterpart and no more need be said about that department. Midfield is a different story. Eddie Spearitt was our only real success in mid-field, the man's shrewd soccer brain and apparent lack of mobility fools more than a few spectators but the keen observer will notice that he is never too far away from the action at crucial times be it in his own or his opponents goalmouth. What can be said of Stevie Dolan? one can only feel sorry for this very talented youngster. There is no doubt P.S.L. standard is much higher than our First division and here it showed. The lad started brilliantly exploding a 35 metre shot past Donaldson and the post but when faced with the same opportunity five minutes later, elected to beat men and lost out. Stevie had no chance in this company to show his worth. He was outgunned in all departments, strength, sharpness and en-durance, but we still feel he could be an asset if used elsewhere, where these facets don't matter so much. Larry Gaffney had a quiet day. Unfortunately he appeared to find Geoff Morris a hard winger to "read" but understanding is tantamount to usage so we are left wondering if more games could see a fusion of minds to let Larry attack the left flank while Morris makes his inroads to the defence. There is no doubt they are ideally suited to each others style if they could put it together.

Up front was Alan Marley's victory area. The slightly built striker was brilliant, taking on men twice his size and giving the two of them all sorts of bother. Only one thing troubles us. The man is playing a game to which he is not really physically suited and we wonder what would be accomplished by using a bigger man in the role and letting Marley work off his strength. John Neale also had a quiet start but as the game progressed he began to look like the Neale of old taking the fullback on the outside and the inside, ghosting in for headers at the far post, and with a little luck could have had three goals from this move. As said before Geoff Morris, was Geoff Morris one of a breed we thought may have been gone, a player so small, so slight, but with an



overiding confidence in his own ability to pick up balls and cut into the very heart of a defence leaving tacklers stranded behind him.

O.K. we never scored a goal, but it is an indisputable fact that for once we created more chances than a professional side whose record shows they are prolific goalscorers. It is an indisputable fact that for a long spell in the second half Queensland were the better footballing side and were controlling the whole field of play with their modern brand of pos-

session football. It is an indisputable fact that this team with very few, if any, personnel or positional changes showed enough promise to be rated as a very very good side given more practice and understanding.

DOES IT HAVE TO BE AN INDISPUTABLE FACT THAT THEY WON'T PLAY AGAIN UNTIL NEXT TIME SOMEBODY DECIDES IT'S TIME TO BRING OUT ANOTHER TOURING TEAM?

Insideman

THE LOCAL PSL DERBY

THIS weekend should see Perry Park packed to capacity for the first of the big local derbies. This look at the game by INSIDEMAN is from the middle of the fence, an attempt to view both sides objectively laying bare their strengths and weaknesses and leaving the reader to pick his or her own favourite.

In goal there are two young men with vastly different backgrounds, Lownds brought up in a country where soccer is a religion from cradle to coffin and kids are brought up discussing and playing soccer all the waking hours of the day if allowed to by parents more interested in getting them to school for part of the day. Wishart is the product of a different environment, none the less steeped in soccer tradition but not so involved in the practice of the sport today.

Probably these differing environments spell out the difference in both keepers. Lownds is steady rather than spectacular, keeping goal by the book, castigating himself for the least error in technique. Wishart is the complete opposite on his day unbeatable, a veritable giant who covers the goal area like some huge crab, clawing balls out of desperate situations. Off form he is tentative and unsure so City fans will be hoping the big occasion will make sure Kim is hot.

Defensively the nod has to go to Lions. Their back line is getting more and more sure of itself every week and the only apparent chink would be the indecision as to who is going to play right full back as both Wilson and Venables have been tried but are just as plainly not yet in the same class as the other three in terms of understanding. City's backline has the same chink, a full back position that hasn't

been filled regularly, but there is no doubt Perry and Tokesi are gaining the necessary know-how with every passing week. Iozelli loves to go forward and the battle between him and the attack—orientated Morris will be worth watching, who puts who off their usual game may well prove the "swinger" in the result. Midfield is an area that at the time of writing is very hard to discuss due to the fact it is not easily decided who will play. Old campaigner Spearitt will retain his place for Lions and his shrewd running and ballwork will no doubt come in for special attention, just as Gaffney's forceful attacking will have to be policed. As said before the answer to the battle may well lie in who fills the other spaces. Last City game saw Fagan and Johnston start with Gaffney but Pimblett replaced Johnston who hadn't made a great impact. However Pimblett must have annoyed coach Ford with his "Queensland attitude" and conversely Echeverria may have won back Ford's favour with his. Lions can come up with any number of permutations in mid-field most of them made by bringing in hard. workmanlike players, so it may be that the edge will be decided by the appearance or non appearance of Pimblett or Echeverria as they are the only players who could match Spearitt's creativity. Up front the brilliant Marley will have a battle royal with his "mates" of last week, Hermiston and Bennett. This will also be a highlight of the game and if the elusive Conner and hard running Caldwell can find their true form City could have the extra oomph in the goal scoring department. Lions, since bringing the hard, busy Fairbrother into the side have not dropped too many decisions and no doubt this smouldering nest of goal scoring ability is not going to last much longer

before it bursts forth into fire. City fans will hope it is damped down for another seven days. When Barrie and Geoff Morris do get together goals will be guaranteed so again we see the possibility of a great fight for ascendency.

All told the game should be intriguing to say the least. When these two meet the form book goes out the window. There are so many "ifs" and "buts" about the whole

situation that it is impossible to forecast a result. What can be said however is that there are so many good talented, players on show, so many individual tussles that promise thrust and counter thrust that it would be sacrilege to miss this Philips League Match, no matter who comes out on top. Entertainment is guaranteed, and it could be that on the day the eleven players who get it altogether first will come up tops.

COCA COLA UNDER 19 CHAMPIONSHIP

(An opinion — Often repeated)

GO SOCCER

ONCE again, in a national showpiece, Queensland soccer has laid bare, to all and sundry, its' inbuilt self destructive tendencies. The above competition, much revamped at the request of the Coca-Cola Company, in order that it is brought into line with similar competitions played world-wide, has gained an automatic rise in status in everyone's mind as it is now the showcase for talent that will make up Australia's Youth World Cup side, played for every two years and part of Coca-Cola's 5 million dollar splash on the soccer game.

Everyone, that is, except the top echelons of Queensland soccer! There must be an immediate investigation into the most recent debacle whereby 16 youngsters were given to a coach two weeks before the competition proper, with, we must presume orders to go out and win the cup for Queensland. One cannot help but feel sorry for Fred Robins, his sixteen charges and "Man Friday" George Roberts, who were given this awesome task, and knowing Fred as we do he would know full well deep down tat he had no chance of success even before he started.

Why is it we in soccer put up with this total lack of policy making? It is as obvious as the nose on a face that policies are needed to make organisations work and the preparations for a national championship at any level is surely deserving of a policy, never mind the Coca-Cola under 19 championship! What chance had any of our kids to show their real form to Eric Worthington and Jim Shoulder? Watching them perform against well prepared outfits from inter-state, teams with the stamp of professional preparation in their every move, one could only feel the desperation from their efforts to put together moves and combat the moves of others! How

much better would they have performed had they been in training for say six months, and over the last eight weeks been playing training matches against first division sides on a Wednesday evening? How much better would they have performed had all the players been given the weekend off by their clubs and missed out on the bruises and bumps gained in any game and which usually cause soreness and stiffness for a day or two. How much better would coach Robins have performed had he been totally concerned with viewing the OPPOSITIONS shortcomings rather than view his own kids' with an eye to making necessary changes to improve his team's performance? (Who can learn all a team's strengths and weaknesses in two weeks?)

No, it is time for change, time for policy making, time for the thinkers in soccer, the kids who have just exited from the trophy, their parents, anyone who has Queensland soccer at heart, to raise their voices, or lift a pen, and kickup such an unholy row that this most recent tragedy is never allowed to be repeated. Now is the time to act. A coach should be appointed. Teams should nominate kids who they really believe are prospects for next year. These kids should be viewed by the coach then brought together at least once a week for specialised training to improve their skills, their understanding of each other, and, as time progresses blended into a fit, hard-hitting footballing machine that would give a true indication of our soccer strength. The issue has to be forced and it is obvious that the powers that be are just not interested enough to get this operation going. National championships are prestigious events and as such should be treated with top priority. It is no good

our P.S.L. clubs spending fortunes in money and time trying to prove we are the equal of any levels in Australia if our soccer is going to be held up to ridicule at representative level just because someone, or some people, couldn't care less.

Insideman.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir,

The system in which the referee chooses best and fairest 3-2-1 creates a certain amount of doubt in the writer's mind. Instances which come to mind — no names mentioned to save embarrassment to those congerned —

- (1) On the occasions of a referee being asked for his three choices, he selected a man who ran throughout the game but absolutely failed to follow his coach's instructions, was roasted at both halftime and full time and yet had the last laugh. This I have seen on several occasions.
- (2) When asked, referee replied calling three players by name "3 points Joe Blow, 2 points Bill Smith, 1 point John Jones. They're the only ones I know by name."
- (3) Another replied, when asked for his selections, "I didn't notice any one player, but I'll say Nos 7, 11 and 5. That sounds good."

Another point I'd like to make is in reference to your "ghost writers" at out-

side games. I realise you can only be at one place at a time and these people are necessary but it's frustrating to watch a game and read about it the next morning to feel you are reading about a completely different game.

There is probably no easy solution to this problem but maybe the editor of this magazine (which I feel is the most comprehensive of any sports magazine we've had in Brisbane) could do a double check on the ghost writers now and then. Both of these points are widely discussed by many people.

Don Thorburn, 44 Rosella St., Inala

Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir,

During the last 10 years as a soccer coach in Brisbane I have seen some really outrageous things done by the Big Boys who supposedly run things at Perry Park.

Their latest one is beyond a joke. I refer to the allocation of a first division game being played on the same day as our representative side and above all seeing that it was played in Ipswich.

How in hell are players who have to have a shower after the game or spectators who have already travelled to Ipswich get from Ebbw Vale to Perry Park when the game doesn't finish until 2.15. If they are supposed to travel the approximate 30 miles, find a parking

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26th May, 1978

All week I followed the Under 19 championship and attended all the matches at Richlands and Perry Park. Yet by this piece of mis-management I was deprived of watching the final.

In the past it has always been policy to cancel all games when Queensland was playing. Has the Constitution been changed or is it another case of bending the rules? Or maybe first division has now joined the ranks of the lower Leagues THE FORGOTTEN BUNCH.

Funny thing, North Brisbane was one of two clubs who asked that all their fixtures be played on a Saturday as they did not wish to clash! I think it's about time someone gave thought to others and not only themselves.

Brian Addison Senior coach, North Brisbane

POINTS TO PONDER

HEARD the one about the player who went up to head a ball, collided with another player, ran to the sideline with blood streaming from his nose, spoke to his coach, grabbed a sponge and played out the remaining 40 minutes never shirking a tackle or heading duel in his usual centre-half position. The injury—a suspected double break to his nose. His words to the coach — "How does it look?" — answer — "broken" — reply— "oh well its been broken before." Nils Larsen, we salute your courage, and in the words of an opposition fan, "he was the best man on the field."

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SOME recent rumours of Taringas "misdemeanours" were laughable last Saturday. In a tense exciting struggle with Darra they lost Trevor Davis in three minutes with a shockingly twisted knee, lost Craig Brimstone with a damaged back at the 20 minute mark, had Nils Larsen play on with a broken nose and Glenn Davis play on with a broken nose and a badly torn thigh muscle. Perhaps it should be said this was never a dirty game, but it was a man's game for sure. Perhaps the rumour mongers should open their eye!!

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THE soccer coverage on Channel 7 is now a big joke, or it appears to be. Since Neil Rudd took over the time allotted to the sport has decreased both in time and quality. Last week reached a new low with league tables that were not up to date, read by an obviously dis-interested (or

maybe it was just lack of soccer knowledge) Billy J. Smith and the biggest slap appeared to be when the comperes found a filmed interview rather amusing. The interview was not the best, but surely a T.V. anchor man should not laugh at segments of his own show or is it that had!!!?

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THE inbuilt self-destruct mechanism goes ticking on. Last weeks first division match played "before" the Queensland v Dundee game certainly catered for the "racing driver" type spectator on the Ipswich Road circuit but what about the UNDER 19 CHAMPIONSHIPS, did the final not merit the attention of these self same fans. Come on, let's pull hard and get our heads out of the sand.

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COULD be Eddie Carrigan is looking for a replacement already among second division where player apparently gave game away when coach was sacked. Derek Pymm could be the man to get the midfield ticking at Sunnyside.

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MITCHELTON lost their proud unbeaten record when Trident managed to get the goal that mattered. Wynnum thrashed Souths 6-0 to take over at the top of the second division and from the depth in their squad they may be the team to catch. Ten goals in their last two games with none in reply is quite a performance.

JOHN Patterson, Thistle's dynamic midfielder, could be out for a few weeks with burst blood vessels in his calf, a painful injury that takes its time in healing.

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JOHN Reid, Annerley favourite of a few years back, seen at Perry Park last week. Still no news as to his playing position. Could be he's incognito!

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PAUL Yeuell playing on loan again with his "first" club Oxley. Don't know if he got into harness last week but Oxley got into the winners stall with a vengeance beating Valleys 6-0.

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ANOTHER former first division favourite Bob Wilson ex Bardon Latrobe, had his first game with Darra against Taringa and showed he has lost none of his skills since breaking his ankle against Wynnum last season. Darra also reported to be interested in securing local boy Richie Wilson who appears to be out of the scheme of things at Eagles.

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AFTER the most professional showing ever from a Queensland side where do we go from here. Back to oblivion??

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ANOTHER whisper is that very well known first division president who has been "at the helm" for years now has finally quit the club scene. Wonder how the club will function without him. Needless to say news did not warrant a mention.

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ADELAIDE City in a quandary. Edmund Kreft imports four big names from Scotland, gets an extremely creditable draw against South Melbourne then "cops" a three-nil hiding from Fitzroy the bottom team. Who'd be a football coach? decisions, decisions, decisions!!!

TOMMY Gemmell, when asked about his views about "drinking in front of his players", replied "The fact that I drink a beer doesn't mean they play any worse, does it?, the main thing is that they don't drink the beer. 'Nuff said.

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LIONS Hangi great success despite cool evening. Big crowd turned out to see some first class entertainment and enjoy some good company. The Dundee players enjoyed the evening, youngster Chick Bradley being chosen to perform with Polynesian dancer in hip swinging dance. Only bad note was the meat supplied. This was caused by the exceptionally cool breeze playing havoc with the unusual cooking methods. This resulted in some of the meat being undercooked, hardly the fault of the organisers.

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TARINGA had a sell-out Sea Food night last Saturday in their palatial club-house. Organiser Harry Davis delighted with outcome and is hurriedly organising some more varied evenings.

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WYNNUM, continuing their build up for second division, signed Stevie Brown from Sunnyside. Brown has been around since leaving Bardon Latrobe arriving at Wynnum via Redlands, Apia and Sunnyside.

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ITALIAN WORTH MILLIONS

ROME — He is not Pele and probably can never become one like him. He scores goals with facility, but Johann Cryuff or Gerd Muller may teach him a trick or

He is only Paolo Rossi, a lad of 21 from Tuscony, but his price tag is setting ablaze the Italian Soccer World, which also means Italian life in general.

In history's most expensive non-transfer Soccer experts have appraised his value at 5.2 billion lire, or the equivalent of 4.8 million Aust. dollars. And inflation was not given as one of the reasons.

The price tag is costing sleepless nights to his simple, farming parents, embarrassment to him and already has led to the resignation of the League President.

"I'm living through hell, admits the lanky striker, who comes close to aver-

aging a goal a game.

26th May, 1978

What pushed Rossi's value to astrononmical figures — and what has caused all the furore — is the special claim on the player?

He plays for Lanerossi Vicenza but is only half owned by that club. The other half belongs to Juventus, the mighty Soccer machine owned by the Agnellis of Fiat and known in the past for its lavish display for any assortment of promising golden toes.

Lanerossi Vicenza has agreed to pay half the 5.2 billion lire so that mighty Juventus would accede to foregoing its 50 percent interest in Rossi.

This time Juventus master tacticians decided to let the poorer Vicenza set the tone of the bidding for the other half of Rossi and appraised their own half at under one billion lire (about 1 million Aust.). Juventus thus not only won the savings game but also pushed the blame off on the smaller club for inflating Rossi's value.

"I don't want to feel guilty for the folly of others," says the shy Rossi.

But he is worried, because, as he puts it, "Suppose I make a mistake in a game. with that price tag, it would be unthinkable for the fans.

"It would have been better if I had been praised a bit less and the rest of the money go to low-cost housing or some project."

That seems to be the point the Italian Press has raised.

Scandalous, Milan's Il Giorno ran a

front page headline on the price tag. "The country is in an economic stalemate, factories are closing down. Are we supposed to pretend that we are not disturbed by this price tag?

League President Franco Carraro has resigned over the Rossi affair and the other players are threatening to block their transfers in order to introduce morality to Soccer trading.

And, ironically, as a sign that money can't buy everything, Rossi has yet to be picked for a spot on the National Soccer team for the World Cup competition in Argentina. He still is an alternate.

TRIBUTE TO FRANZ

NEW YORK — More than 70,000 Soccer fans, players and dignitaries celebrated Franz Beckenbauer Day at Giants Stadium to honour the West German Soccer star on the first anniversary since he joined the New York Cosmos.

In a special ceremony before Seattle Sounders-Cosmos game, won by the Cosmos 5-1, Beckenbauer was praised for his contribution to soccer in the United States and for being a good-will ambas-

"I am very proud. It is a big honour for me to have this day, and celebrate with the most beautiful people, the most beautiful crowd in the world.. I promise the Cosmos I will try very hard to bring the North American Championship once again to this stadium and to you," Beckenbauer told the crowd.

Brazilian star and former teammate Pele paid tribute to Beckenbauer with a plaque and said: "I want to give this to the man Beckenbauer, inside and outside the field.'

The crowd cheered its appreciation for the star who joined the New York Cosmos after leading the West German team to the World Cup victory in 1974, and three European Cup victories from 1974 to 1976.

In an interview published in the New York Times, Beckenbauer spoke of his move to the New York Team.

"It was the best decision in my life to come to New York. Here it is so private. I go places without people recognising me. In Germany it was bad. I guess that if West Germany loses the World Cup, they will blame it on me," he was quoted



Philips League MATCH OF THE DAY



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BRISBANE CITY

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- 5 STEVE PERRY
- 6 LARRY GAFFNEY
- 7 WILLIE CONNER
- 8 FRANK PIMBLETT
- 9 ALAN MARLEY
- 10 ROBERTO ECHEVERRIA
- 11 KEVIN CALDWELL
- 12 BRIAN KIBBEY
- 13 JOHN COYNE
 - 17 JAIN FAGAN
 - 18 SAURI IOZELLI
 - 19 IAN JOHNSTON
 - 20 BOB BARLOW

Coach: DENIS FORD

BRISBANE LIONS

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- 2 GEORGE POTTER
- 3 JIM HERMISTON
- 4 COL BENNETT
 - 6 JOHN NEALE
 - 7 EDDIE SPEARRITT
 - 8 PAUL LASLO
- 10 ALAN HUGHES
- 11 JOHN OGDEN
- 12 STEVE AMOS
- 13 BARRIE FAIRBROTHER
- 14 PAUL ONTONG
- 16 GEOFF MORRIS
- 17 ALAN VENABLES
 - 18 LEON WILSON
- 20 NIGEL LOWNDS

Coach: GYULA VINCZE



Denis Ford

Next Weekends Matches

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

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Brisbane City 3 v Brisbane Lions 1 Brisbane Lions 2 v Brisbane City 1 Brisbane City 3 v Brisbane Lions 2 (Philips Cup)