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TWO first division players who will be engaged in their last official matches for this season at the week-end, Spencer Park's leading striker Craig Wallace (right) and Sunnyside United's former Lions stalwart defender Peter Steen.

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'GO SOCCER'

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CLUB NEWS

DUTTON PARK UNITED

"BRAMPTON POWER"

TOP United striker "Mr. Magic" Duncan Brampton powered Dutton Park to a convincing 5-3 victory last week-end against fifth placed Albany Creek.

The result of this match was important for both sides as a win for Dutton Park would mean that we would be undefeated at home this season, and a win for Albany Creek would keep them in the hunt for a final four spot.

A very confident Dutton Park took the field welcoming back from injury vice-captain "Gentleman" Ray Yates, and from a working commitment Wayne "Crash" Norris. This was the first time in five weeks that we have been able to field our strongest side, and what a

difference it made.

It took Mr. Magic only nine minutes to put United ahead with a shot slotted in from an almost impossible angle. Albany Creek slammed back strongly in the tenth minute and left the United defence stunned with amazement. But there were no worries needed because only one minute later he was at it again, Mr. Magic powering down the right flank to cross a perfect ball to the flying Dane Ole Jeppersen who did the rest. Score 2-1 to Dutton Park and three goals in three minutes . good

stuff for the spectators.

In the thirtieth minute Albany Creek struck back to level the scores with a disputed goal. United keeper Eric Sum-



mons if asked will tell you in no uncertain terms about this goal. The tireless "Mr. Magic" Duncan Brampton was at it

again in the thirty-sixth minute this time sprinting down the left and crossing to "dashing" Doug Carningham who belted home number three, to take the sides into Staminade with a scoreline of 3-2 to Dutton Park.

Five minutes after half time came one of United's best goals of the season. From a free kick some thirty yards out "Iron Man" Ian Robinson stepped back and struck the ball to perfection ripping it into the back of the net. A little bit of Duncan Brampton magic rubbing off.

Eight minutes later the man himself added his second for the match with a shot that left the keeper stranded. Score 5-2 to Dutton Park. Albany Creek have to be admired for at this stage most sides would slowly give in, but not this side they came back into the game strongly and Dutton Park's keeper Eric Summons was called on to perform some brilliant saves. They were rewarded in the twenty-seventh minute for their efforts with a goal pushed over the line from one of those infamous goal mouth scrambles. Final score 5-3 to Dutton Park. All in all a good game for which we thank Albany Creek, it was a pleasant change from what we experienced a fortnight ago and it was nice to play a team that plays foot-

We would like to know if any club striker has put in more than 28 goals in fixtures this season. This total belongs to our "Mr. Magic" Duncan Brampton. With 5 so far in Cup games to be added to that total and more Cup games and finals to be played, his total for the season has still to grow.

UP A WINE FILLED GHOST, CASPER

TARINGA v SOUTHS

TARINGA finished off their season in grand style beating the hapless Souths by 4-1. A pre-match call off by skipper Larsen saw a completely re-shuffled Taringa defence, one of the strongest in the league, prepare to meet a Souths team that had only found the net 15 times during the season, so an interesting game was expected. Souths set about the task as if their lack of scoring power was a myth and they laid siege on Taringa's penalty area where skipper Arrowsmith was rallying the makeshift back line by voice and action. Gradually Taringa forced the Souths forwards and midfielders back and a few long passes began to tell the tale at Souths rearguard. On one of these breaks

Sullivan burst through and slotted the ball home to give Taringa a one goal lead. Souths roared forward again urged on by Miller and Ferguson but they stretched themselves dangerously and were punished when Young found himself completely unmarked at a set piece and thrashed a 20 metre shot into the net. Taringa were by now breaking very fast and Brimson found himself free to hook a shot in to give the homesters a three goal lead. Full back Schumacher hammered a great shot against the bar and then Eedy got on to the end of a great Sullivan cross only to see his header rocket over the top. After the turn Souths continued to make a fight of it but always found Martin, Arrowsmith, and Bowen equal to their efforts. Taringa got a mite casual and Sargent punished them when he dragged a ball through the back and drew Bowen before knocking it home. The Souths joy was shortlived however for Taringa's Schumacher immediately moved down the left crossed a beautiful ball for the onrushing Dobinson to crash an unsaveable header in for number four. This was to be the end of the scoring but the traffic did not become one way the Souths boys refusing to lay down before the onslaught. For Souths, Miller is a marvel, he still gets through the proverbial ton of work, Gary Priddy and Sargant both tried hard but something is amiss in the side, what, it is pretty hard to pin down. Taringa did what they should have been doing all season, knocked away half the chances they created. Had they done this in all their matches, Wynnum may have had a harder road to travel than they have had. However that's what the great game of soccer is all about, taking chances and what might have been "IF"!!

ANNERLEY ANALYSIS

by Bill Williams

IN their final match on Saturday, our ninth division downed Mt. Gravatt 4-0 to keep their premiership hopes alive but it proved to no avail as on Sunday, Taringa won their match against Souths to seal the title. During our match, when John Stock scored, it was the team's 100th goal for the season and the other scorers were Byron Law, Andy Mollison and John Dibartolomeo. They are the only team so far to reach the "ton" in goals and as they conceded only 21 it reflects great credit on both attack and defence. On present form they must be a good chance in the finals.

The important 6th division home game

against Sunnyside resulted in a 4-2 win for us in a hard match, which was well controlled by the referee. Our scorers were Keith Packer 2, Ritchie Smiles and Jim Thornton from the penalty spot. Annerley had a 2-1 lead at halftime but Sunnyside twice hit the post in this session. In the final analysis it was a good team effort, with the best for us being Morrie Day, Smiles and Greg Cook. We recorded a similar 4-2 result in our first division clash with Sunnyside in a match which never reached great heights.

We opened up in the 14th minute when Tom Gray chipped into the goalmouth from the right side and Brian Lampitt headed in. Sunnyside came back well and 10 minutes later equalised through Steve Perkovic, who picked up a goalkick near halfway and ran through the centre to place a good ground shot in the corner. Just before halftime Lampitt scored again for us when he beat two players and finished off well. That cancelled out Sunnyside's second goal which Ivo Perkovic despatched after a free kick.

After the interval we gradually got on top and scored twice more through that man Lampitt. The first of these eventuated when Peter Browne headed on well and Brian moved out to the right, turned back infield and beat the keeper with a

curving left foot shot. The final goal came two minutes from the end when a defender handled on the line and Lampitt converted from the spot. He doesn't mis many from there and his four goal haul betters his hat-trick of earlier in the season. For the visitors, Gary Bromfield was everywhere and was well supported by the Perkovic brothers. Dave Grundy gave another 100 per cent effort for the blues and Peter Browne and Tom Gray provided some great opportunities for us to score more than we did.

IPSWICH ITEMS

by Iain Kesson

FIRSTLY I take this opportunity to congratulate my old club Eagles on their premiership success they have just added to victory in the Ampol Cup. Well done Matt, you and your players have won it the hard way. from the front, and it's never easy to maintain that pace all the way. Many Eagles have knocked Eagles' style, and I'm one, for not being attractive. But it's certainly effective so why change something that's bringing success. All coaches in first division knew ahead of time what to expect from Eagles yet we

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still could not stop them. So let's give credit where it's due. Well done again.

Another struggle for us last Saturday against Brian Addison's boys but we still managed to take away the two points in a game that highlights my remarks this season regarding our Brisbane whistlers. We had another exhibition of weak and inconsistent refereeing from Mr. Richmond. Both teams were not innocent as frustration set in and the Ipswich dressing room was no place to be at halftime. Players were blasted for lack of self discipline and for allowing themselves to get upset and talk back. Ian Lawrie was booked for saying "you wouldn't know" from 15 yards, yet I saw the referee being verbally intimidated four times not two yards from his face. No yellow card? Bryan Kathage was booked and rightly so for a tackle from behind. Both bookings took place in the first half but how many late tackles took place in the second? No wonder this game got out of hand and ended up a shambles. This official is lucky he's not a player of mine or he would be looking at reserve grade football until he showed a marked improvement in his game. We started off giving Norths a nice gift in the 4th minute when Steve Dann misheard a call and passed back to Wayne Walker two yards out and he gratefully accepted.

We pulled one back through an Ian Lawrie goal from 12 yards out when Norths defence failed to clear. Norths went further ahead when the ever dangerous Len Pollock forced Ian Humphries into a rushed tackle out on the sideline. He skinned Ian neatly and cut into the backline where he saw Jock Krawcie coming in, putting an inch perfect pass onto his head, enabling Jock to tuck it away in great style over Greg Donnelly's head. A great goal and it was skill all the way.

Norths Gary Bray did his job well when he tucked a Jeff Dann rocket round for a corner at full stretch. Norths got caught pushing up in the offside trap, Bryan Kathage strode away down the middle and rounded Bray to knock it into the empty net.

Lawrie also broke clear and with only the keeper to beat his chip was off target, leaving it 2-2 at the break. Our passing didn't improve in the second half, we crowded one another and I lost count of the hospital balls we gave each other. Donnelly did well to get down to a Pollock shot on his near post, Lawrie went close when he outjumped the defence but headed over and Walker was

unlucky when his header came back off the crossbar.

But Lawrie eventually put us ahead with a great angled drive which zipped in at the near post. Both teams from then on were ragged and the game deteriorated as a spectacle. There was no control whatsoever and one foul led to another, and so on. The players from both sides have a lot to answer for but I'm afraid Mr. Richmond your inconsistency brought it all on. We will certainly be working at our game and talking about our self discipline during the week at training. Our last League game is against Richlands on Friday night and we will want to make sure of wrapping up No. 2 spot.

Our reserves went down 3-1 at Wynnum to 10 men and this now puts the premiership beyond us. In a game in which we had ample possession to win we simply threw it away. Saints went into an early lead but we gave Wynnum one back when a slack back pass left our keeper stranded. John Deegan was the brains behind most of Wynnum's moves and Saints just could not keep him quiet. Murray Kitching tried hard all day winning tackles and trying to keep his forwards moving.

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We missed a penalty and numerous other chances, but that man Deegan set his side up for another two goals aided by some bad Saints defence. The best we can hope for now is second place, providing we win our last two games.

The senior colts had a 3-0 win over Souths United at Runcorn, and this provided another classic decision by the official in charge when he allowed Souths to play in green and white hoops, green shorts and green socks and Saints to play in green and white stripes, green shorts and white socks. The ref. reckoned he could tell the difference, but what about the players when their heads were down trying to control a ball. It's very difficult and that's how things turned out with players on both sides making some glaring passing errors. We went ahead in 5 mins. with an opportunist goal from young Steven Muller who nipped in and scored when a Norm Pennell's shot was deflected across the six yard box.

The game was a comedy of errors and at halftime there was no change. Our second goal was scored from six yards by Pennells when a corner was not cleared. We missed quite a few chances until Muller rose well to head in our third at the far post, and he jumped even higher when he saw it go into the net.

Booval Stars had a 1-1 draw with Industrial United in the 4th division. United went ahead after an even 20 minutes with a combination of a good chip and strong shot, while Stars defence waited for the offside decision which never came. Stars equalised with a penalty after halftime and Industrial pressed for 10 minutes but could not capitalise. Stars were awarded a second spot kick when Wally Robbins was flattened when about to score but it was missed . . . that's three in two weeks. The game was marred by an over zealous whistler and the stop-start conditions began to tell on both teams. Although having a man sent off with 10 minutes to go, Stars hung on for the draw.

On Sunday at Oxley, Saints' junior colts took out their championship with a hard fought battle against local rivals Dinmore. With two Ipswich teams involved, surely this match could have been played at Coalstars ground, giving the Ipswich public the chance to see the best of our junior talent. The leadup to this match was farcial as the Saints lads had to play four matches in eight days. Sounds like the senior team's run in the Ampol Cup. Saints had more possession than Dinmore but by playing long balls we isolated our front men and could not get

up to support them. Saints had 12 corners in this half but could not get past the little Dinmore keeper, who had a great game.

Dinmore had five breakaways and almost scored every time through their lively front men. Dinmore had only two corners but from the second a shot beat the keeper and in the fullback's haste to clear he handled and John Greenall scored from the spot to make it 1-0 Dinmore at the break. We at last started to string the passes together to give John Miller the chance he needed to level the scores from 6 yards. John Kitching stroked home the second goal to put us in front and substitute Bob Maclot made it 3-1 near the end, when at one stage extra time looked certain. The young lad who controlled this game was the best referee I have seen for a long time and could teach some of the senior men a thing or

GRANGE-THISTLE NOTES

by the Sporran

Having had a couple of weeks 'holiday' watching junior players at State and National championships, my return to First Division football was the match between two attacking teams, Eagles and Thistle at Richlands Stadium.

Condition of the ground left a lot to be desired, being very muddy and very slippery, but when it was discovered that a postponed First Division match had

Clubs interested in nominating teams to play in an amateur competition starting in 1979 are invited to reply to the address below by 30th September, 1978. Should there be sufficient interest a meeting will be called for the interested clubs to dicuss how this amateur competition will run though no approach has yet been made to them it is stressed that this competition will run under the jurisdiction of the Queensland Soccer Federation.

Replies to — Amateur Soccer, c/- ABC Printing, Paddington Drive, in Latrobe Terrace, Paddington, 4064. been played on this ground the night before, one could sympathise with the previous night's teams.

The match promised to be a good one, as both sides are committed to attacking football. There was a good crowd for this match — with a good many of them arriving about 7 p.m. to view non-existent curtain raiser. The match started at a fast pace right from the opening whistle. Eagles played as usual, attacking through their two front runners, while Thistle attacked in force with at least four.

There were near misses at either end, but keepers Bennett and Gee handled anything that came near them quite capably, ensuring that they smothered the ball with their body as the ball was doing funny things on the greasy surface. For Eagles, Millman and McCabe came close to scoring in the first half while for Thistle, Bailey, Sampson and Dolan were their main dangers. The half time score was 0-0 with both teams playing good end to end football but Thistle had a decided territorial advantage.

The second half started in much the same vain. At a fast pace. Steve Dolan gave a great 45 yard through ball down the right for Tony Bailey to run on to, he got the ball under control just inside the penalty area and John Bennett did well to cover. Then 5 minutes in Tony Brennan beat John Wilkinson to the ball at the far right of Thistle's penalty area, he came infield to give himself a better angle and unleashed a great left footer to open the score.

For Thistle, Davy Jones overlapped down the right, he hit a first time shot that should have scraped in at the top right hand corner but again Bennett punched it clear. Whilst at the other end. Thistle defence was starting to get confused as a number of players appeared to get in each others way. They failed to clear and Ron Millman capitalised on this confusion making it 2-0. Within 3 minutes Alan Marszaleck made it 3-0 when he out jumped the defence to head in a corner. That made 3 goals for Eagles within 5 minutes.

With 10 minutes to go, John Patterson for Thistle ran the ball down the left side of a casual Eagles defence for Brian Sampson to side foot it into the net to make it a more respectable 3-1 final score.

This was a game of two distinct halves. At the break one would have said that Thistle should win comfortably as they threw the ball around with great alacrity and attacked in depth. But Matt Carson must have said the magic words to the Eagles players as within 10 minutes of the restart Eagles had the match won with 3 well taken goals. It was strange that none of Eagles goals came from the much vaunted long ball to their speedsters, the style of football that this team is famous for. Each of their goals were created and were taken very well.

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Thistle on the other hand played with heaps of determination in the first half, but never quite recovered from the 3 goal body punch in the first few minutes of the second half.

Congratulations to Eagles on winning the Premiership. On the night they deserved to win, and win they did in a very convincing manner. It was a match that I thoroughly enjoyed and I am sure 99% of the supporters would have enjoyed also.

JOCK'S SWANSONG FOR NORTHS

THIS week's match against Southside Eagles marks the end of an illustrious football career of Jock Krawiec. Jock has to return to his native Poland after a two year visit to Australia. He played professionally for 20 years before coming to Australia and although in his late 30's his dedication to training and application to playing is a credit to the man.

In his two year stay, Jock's record was clean and he has missed only two games through injury and while playing has maintained a remarkably high standard of football. On behalf of the coaches and staff of North Brisbane we wish Jock all the best and hope he returns to Australia some day.

Also congratulations to Matt Carson and all the Eagles players on their premiership win, from our club.

BRIAN ADDISON.

Coach, North Brisbane Soccer Club

TRIDENT DOUBLE

Trident's double victory over Redcliffe saw both teams end the season third on the points table; seventh division winning 7-1 and second division 2-0.

Thanks to all players this season. Due

to consistent performance by both teams you've managed to stay in the top four and earned your chance in the finals.

Thanks must also go to the coaches of these teams and, of course, the background boys — the Committee. Best of luck for the finals.

R.A.A.F. REPORTING

Moggill v R.A.A.F.

RAAF were away to Moggill on Saturday and again notched up a very impressive win, beating the home side nine goals to nil. We seem to be notching up the hattricks lately and this game saw another two, one by Col Davidson and one by Lewis Fitzgerald. Other scorers being Shorty Messer, Barry Welch and Warren Herd. The whole side again played their usual fast all out style and had no problem at all in winning this one.

As this was our last game as far as the league goes I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the players, coach and club committee members for the trem-

endous effort which they have maintained all season and for which the club as a whole will now benefit by playing in a higher division next season.

I would also like to thank all the other players and officials of the clubs we have played against this season and wish them the best for next season. Thanks must also go to the men in black who have again done a marvellous job under some very difficult conditions throughout the season.

We would like to offer our best wishes and the best of luck to our opponents for the coming finals. Let's face it, they'll need it.

The Exorcist.

PROGRESS FOR SOUTHS UNITED

THE official turning on of Souths United Soccer club's new lighting system on our Les Wilson playing field was carried out by Rosemary Kyburz MLA on a recent Friday night under extremely adverse conditions.

Total cost of lighting system was approximately \$12,000 and took three years

to complete. The presentation of a \$1,550 cheque by Mrs. Kyburz from the government ministry of sport was most welcome. The quality of the lighting would easily accommodate Soccer of first division standard and higher.

Also on the same weekend the club sunk a bore which will mean we no longer will have to worry about water supply in future as we managed to strike an underground river at 30 feet. With the facilities we now provide, we are hoping for a big step forward in regard to top class coach and players to move us into a higher division.

Pictured at the Souths ceremony are (from left): club patron Alderman Len Ardill, Mrs. Rosemary Kyburz MLA, and club president Bob Paterson.

ROVERS CAPTURE TITLE

THIRD DIVISION — A brilliant save in the last minute by the Rovers goal-keeper denied Salisbury the Third Division premiership last Saturday.

Salisbury went into the game needing a win, and not a draw as reported last week, to leap-frog Rovers, who led the competition by one point, and take the title. The game was played in a typical hard and fast fashion with Rovers slightly superior for the majority of the game. Salisbury obviously missed the steadying influence at the back of Ashley Cotterill who was suspended for one game after receiving three yellow cards. The team fought hard but Rovers always seemed to have that little bit more.

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Rovers scored first and at that stage it seemed they had the game and the premiership sewn up. It was in the last 10 minutes, with defeat staring them in the face, that Salisbury showed the brilliance and determination of which they are capable. In an all-out effort the team chased every ball, tackled when they lost it and pressurised the Rovers goal. With only eight minutes remaining Salisbury got the equaliser and need one more goal for the win and the premiership.

Urged by a large band of supporters, which included the Eighth Division team which had sped from their earlier game at the University, Salisbury pressed for the goal. Their chance came with only seconds to go when Gary Jackson ran onto a cross and blasted it towards the corner of the goal. The ball seemed almost certain to go in when the Rovers keeper dived full-length and managed to get his fingers to it and prevent the goal. It surely must have been one of the best saves in this division all season.

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Although Salisbury did not win the premiership, and congratulations to Rovers who were the more consistent team, we did achieve our aim of being promoted for the fifth consecutive season. Congratulations to coach Bob Butchard, manager Doug Taylor and all the lads in the squad for a fine season's effort. Now let's get on with winning the grand final and the Qantas Cup.

EIGHTH DIVISION — The player the opposition usually have three men mark Peter Wybranowski, did it again last Saturday when he slammed five goals in Salisbury's 8-nil win over University.

"Wybo", who was returning after a serious injury three weeks ago that saw him carried off the field unable to walk after a kick to the kidneys, was in brilliant form and dribbled, side-stepped and shuffled around the University defence. None of his goals could be singled out as they were all "typical Wybos". He received the ball about 30 yards out beat defenders, beat them again, turned went round in a circle, beat the defenders one more time then flicked it onto his left foot and blasted it into the goal giving the goal-keeper no chance.

Wybranowski was not the only player to shine, in fact the whole team seemed to be in form. Dave Grunwald scored the first goal from a free-kick for which he is fast becoming famous. From 30 yards he curled and dipped it around the stranded Uni. keeper. Other Salisbury goals came from Gary Plant, who pumped a ball low into the corner off a Mick McIntyre corner, and Brad Cotton, who intelligently lobbed the keeper who was well off his line.

Mark Brigden had his usual constructive game and was unlucky not to score after having several good long shots. Salisbury now need only a point from their deferred game against Newmarket to win the premiership. If the team can display the form they showed last Saturday Newmarket will find it hard to stop them.

SENIOR COLTS — Salisbury again belied their lowly position and for the second week in a row made a higher placed team fight for both points.

It wasn't until mid-way through the second half that North Star managed to get their two winning goals, one a penalty, and earn two points. But Salisbury made them fight all the way and had we capitalised on the chances we created the points may have been shared. North Star started well and came close to scoring in the first

few minutes. Good goalkeeping by Steve Brown and poor shooting by the North Star forwards stopped the Zillmere team from getting an early lead.

After ten minutes Salisbury began to settle and some good work in the midfield by Glenn Stead, making his Senior Colts debut, and Mick Somers helped the team to attack the North Star goal. Forwards Rob Hage, who had another brilliant game, and Glen Switzer, always full of running, broke through the North Star defence but were unable to get the final shot. In extremely hot conditions both teams plugged away in midfield with good movements being created by both sides but eventually breaking down once they entered the penalty box.

Salisbury's defence probably played one of their best games this season and had they received a little more work from the midfield may have not conceded the two goals. Captain, Pommy Al Barrow and goalkeeper - come - fullback Ian Haughton were faultless as was Johnny Troeger and Gary Weir. They all tackled and cleared well and often looked dangerous when they dribbled the ball out of defence and attacked the North Star team. At half-time the score was nil-all and Salisbury were still very much in the game. The second half started as evenly balanced as the first had finished but as the game progressed the heat began to take its toll and many players on both sides slowed

Salisbury unfortunately collapsed earlier and after conceding the two goals both teams virtually trotted to the final whistle. In the last ten minutes, except for three shots by Salisbury, the game was all North Star. Their midfield pushed the ball around and had Salisbury ragged, but, as in the early stages of the game, they could not convert their superiority to goals. In all it was a creditable performance by Salisbury considering they have been ignored at training and made wait for more than 45 minutes while the club's two other teams analyse their previous game and have to select their team minutes before the kick-off from the nine or so regulars and those others who bother to turn up when asked.

Bookings for the Dance — Presentation night are going well but there is a limited number so get in early for your tickets from Laurie Brigden. The night is not just for senior players but all club members. The band has been booked and by all reports should cater for all tastes. Its on October 14 at the Railway Institute so contact Laurie or any of the committee members and get your name down.

NEW IDEAS - A NEW APPROACH

A FEW interested people have asked us to summarise and perhaps itemise some of the problems and proposed solutions we have had discussed in GO SOCCER during the year. We are only too pleased to do this and can only hope some good may come out of our work.

PROBLEM

First of all we had the decline in PSL attendances. Lions tried many and varied ways to overcome this, spending money on players, spending money on promotional gimmicks, advertising, and last but not least, performing extraordinarily well in the competition itself. They were not successful though it could be argued that their Kentucky Fried Cup was an extremely successful innovation, for the first time directly involving juniors with PSL. Due to circumstances beyond their control their Saturday night experimentation lasted only one week and again the outcome was debatable as a decent crowd turned up but not enough to spark great enthusiasm although it has been proven overseas that people, being creatures of habit, take time to change.

Whether a run of games under lights, tied to a great advertising effort, would have brought success remains conjecture. City, always a directly well supported team did very little out of the ordinary to try and win the battle for lost fans, depending more on a forlorn hope that the team would start winning, usually a "green light" for their fans to roll back. They must surely realise by now, no one can guarantee success in this company without expenditure of thousands on class players.

SOLUTIONS

Lions are taking the game to the people. The club, in an attempt to gain the local support inherent in a "50,000 head" population three miles from their ground, are going to mount a huge publicity drive with the theme "LIONS ARE COMING HOME."

There is very little doubt that given the same effort as expended last year the chances are good that they could lure regular 2,000 crowds to their ground at Pine Road. Already work is being done to upgrade facilities but there is no doubt a big question mark will be placed against the ground's capability of handling 3,500 people, and cars, should they all decide to come forth on a "big day". That is Lions problem of course and one that will have

to be looked at by the committee of workers.. Buses running from Inala would help but parking has to be the big question, where does one put 1,500 cares out at Richlands? City will play again at Perry Park, apparently on a Sunday afternoon, hoping again that the winning team will "come up trumps". At the moment there is little indication of any change in the status quo although it has been suggested that some big name players could be on their way, a surefire way of getting people back in the short term.

During the season we had good constructive letters from obviously interested people who suggested many improvements. Some of the more noteworthy were suggestions that a playground for children be established on some of the waste ground over on the "river side" of Perry Park. Also many calls were made for flood-lit soccer at twilight, creating a family atmosphere with loads of barbecue style foods at reasonable prices, so that mum, dad and the kids could have a night out and all do their own thing yet still be home by 9 p.m. Many calls were made for all soccer to be played before Sunday's P.S.L. matches so that players and officials from other clubs could attend the "Big Match". All these suggestions had merit but as of yet apparently little or no effect where it matters most!

PROBLEM

Soccer administrative organisation is rapidly declining in effectiveness. Everyone who wrote in to GO SOCCER seemed to agree with this, although, as is their right, the solution ideas varied greatly. That the administrative organisation is stretched is pure logic, every year that passes sees an ever growing Federation of Clubs, which in turn means an ever growing work load on a few willing shoulders, and this is surely a malfunction of the management committee who apparently sit and watch this gradual breakdown of performance without any thought or deed for betterment.

SOLUTION

There has to be a complete restructuring of soccer's administration. The Q.S.F. Management Committee, once elected, has to immediately set down guidelines for a new operation based on proven business principles. No man is an island and no management committee can hope to achieve all that is needed for a growing soccer game unless responsibility is delegated both downwards and outwards. Suggestions

have poured in for breaking up the present giant into manageable "sections some district, some material, and there is no doubt a marriage of both ideas could be more effective than the status quo.

grades for fun would play all year round, so why not borrow their exhuberance and look at the possibilities inherent in making the game a year long event. P.S.L. has to be played in winter, climatic condition

If P.S.L., State League, and First Division were taken as "professional" clubs, that is clubs willing to pay players sums of money for playing and training, a total of 18 clubs would be accounted for. This would leave approx. 48 clubs as a bulwark of amateur clubs and these could be split into North and South sections as we have in the juniors. These three areas of Soccer, Professional, North Amateur and South Amateur could be organised and controlled by sub-committees elected by the clubs involved and presided over by a member of the Q.S.F. Management Committee who would keep them running within the policies set down by that body.

All the many arguments that are constantly raised about promotion and relegation are simply so much eye-wash,, no-one wants to interfere with progress and the matter of progress is a matter of constitution, easily managed by the parent body. Amateur clubs can be and will be successful, one has only to look to Taringa to see what can be accomplished. Once acquired, philosophies and policies can be altered to start the move to the top, again only a matter of constitution.

PROBLEM

What has to be done with Perry Park, the showpiece of our sixty odd Federation members. Must it become a white elephant?

SOLUTION

Soccer is now a nine month a year game. Many players playing in the lower

so why not borrow their exhuberance and look at the possibilities inherent in making the game a year long event. P.S.L. has to be played in winter, climatic conditions in THE SOUTH make it impossible to play the sport in high summer so also do the travel distances make it cost prohibitive for night football. Impasse? No, there is no real argument against playing State League football in summer, in fact the benefits far outweigh the drawbacks. Enumerated they include:

1. No competition between P.S.L. and Q.S.L..

2. Perry Park utilisation every week/annum.

3. Player availability between P.S.L. and Q.S.L. clubs (limit of 3/club).

4. Better soccer conditions for players.5. Better soccer conditions for spectators.

6. Only football code played in summer.

These are but a few of the advantages, the only disadvantage heard of is, what to do about mosquitoes???

So we could have Perry Park being used by clubs every weekend of the year. If previous arguments were accepted we could have "big matches" such as Amateur Cup Final, Amateur League play offs, First Division play offs, Perry Park Cup for all P.S.L., Q.S.L. and First Division clubs, the list is almost endless and yet no one has trod on anyone else's toes a necessity in this game of ours.

All the previous writing has come from ideas generated in this year's GO SOCCER magazine by letters and articles from you, the reader. Will they have an effect? Time will tell.

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Q.S.F. — QANTAS POINTS TABLES

QANTAS is providing prizemoney of \$1750 for the first division premiers, \$750 for second division premiers and a further \$1500 for the lower division knockout Cup.

FIRST DIVISION

	Р	W	D	L	F	A	Pi
Eagles	21	14	4	3	45	28	3
Ipswich Utd.	21	11	6	4	41	20	2
St. George	21	10	8	3	36	20	2
Mt. Gravatt	21	11	4	6	40	28	2
Thistle	20	9	6	5	40	23	2
Nth. Brisbane	20	8	6	6	41	28	2
Annerley	21	5	8	8	25	32	1
Spencer Park	21	7	4	10	31	45	1
Merton	21	7	3	11	20	34	1
Richlands	21	5	3	13	27	42	1
Redlands	21	4	4	13	27	48	1
Sunnyside	21	4	*4	13	27	52	1

FIFTH DIVISION

FOURTH DIVISION

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Kingsridge Goodna

Brighton Booval Stars

Rochedale

Toowong Bayside Padua

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
RAAF	21	17	3	1	71	15	37
Adams Park	21	16	3	2	51	18	35
Dutton Park	22	16	2	4	84	23	34
South Star	21	13	3	5	44	28	29
Wacol	22	13	2	7	62	37	28
Albany Creek	21	12	3	6	60	29	27
Samford	22	9	3	10	35	47	21
North Pine	21	4	5	12	26	51	13
Slacks Creek	21	4	4	13	18	51	12
Greenbank	22	4	1	17	16	93	9
Moggill	22	3	2	17	28	96	8
Police Acad.	22	2	1	19	15	22	5

SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	-	A	1
Wynnum	21	17	2	2	60	21	
Gold Coast	22	13	5	4	48	28	
Trident	22	12	5	5	43	31	
Coalstars	22	12	4	6	43	33	
Mitchelton	21	10	5	6	44	26	
Oxley	22	9	4	9	39	43	
Taringa	22	7	7	8	30	26	
Acacia Ridge	22	8	4	10	31	32	1
Darra	22	5	8	9	37	36	
Redcliffe	22	6	5	11	28	53	
Souths	22	4	1	17	16	54	
Fort, Valley	22	1	4	17	33	69	

SIXTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Mt. Gravatt	21	17	1	3	48	22	35
Annerley	21	15	2	4	48	30	32
St. Helens	20	15	-	5	53	25	30
Eagles	21	14	_	7	63	33	28
Wynnum	20	10	3	7	41	41	23
Nth. Brisbane	20	10	2	8	41	44	22
Sunnyside	21	9	2	10	46	36	20
Redlands	20	9	2	9	38	39	20
Merton	20	7	4	9	36	42	18
Richlands	20	2	4	14	29	78	8
Thistle	20	3	2	15	18	71	8

THIRD DIVISION

	P	VV	D	_		_	1 19
Rovers	22	13	7	2	40	22	33
Salisbury	22	14	4	4	45	20	32
Pine Rivers	22	14	3	5	49	32	31
Newmarket	21	11	4	6	46	25	26
Westside	22	11	3	8	52	29	25
St. Albans	22	11	3	8	45	31	25
Olympic	21	11	2	8	41	33	24
Nerang	22	9	3	10	26	33	21
The Gap	22	5	3	14	28	39	13
North Star	22	3	7	12	15	42	13
Inala Rangers	22	3	5	14	19	49	11
Willowburn	22	3	2	17	25	76	8

SEVENTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Acacia Ridge	22	20	1	1	80	19	41
Mitchelton	22	18	3	1	76	19	39
Trident	22	14	2	6	66	34	30
Taringa	22	14	_	8	60	30	28
Gold Coast	22	11	2	9	71	49	24
Darra	22	9	4	9	49	40	22
Oxley	22	9	3	10	47	61	21
Redcliffe	22	6	6	10	37	46	18
Souths	22	6	2	14	36	58	14
Rovers	22	3	4	15	26	63	10
Pine Rivers	22	4	2	16	29	74	10
Fort. Valley	22	3	1	18	29	113	7



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EIGHTH DIVISION P W D L F A Pts GOALSCORERS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Westside	22	15	3	4	45	23	33
Salisbury	21	14	4	3	59	22	32
North Star	22	13	4	5	59	23	30
Newmarket	21	11	4	6	64	27	26
The Gap	22	11	4	7	41	23	26
St. Albans	22	12	2	8	55	34	26
Olympic	22 -	9	4	9	45	49	22
University	22	8	4	10	36	41	20
Rochedale	22	6	4	12	32	42	16
Inala Rangers	22	6	3	13	46	84	15
Toowong	22	4	5	13	30	63	13
Brighton	22	-	3	19	33	114	3

NINTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Taringa	22	16	5	1	92	17	37
Annerley	22	17	2	3	100	21	36
Mitchelton	22	15	3	4	66	19	33
Wynnum	22	15	3	4	77	24	33
Goodna	22	11	3	8	76	50	25
North Star	22	11	2	9	56	41	24
Industrial	22	8	1	13	52	64	17
Mt. Gravatt	22	8	1	13	44	62	17
Bayside	22	6	2	14	35	79	14
Redcliffe	22	6	_	16	27	114	12
Adams Park	22	4	1	17	28	65	9
Souths	22	3	1	18	18	115	7

COLTS POINTS TABLE

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Nth. Brisbane	23	19	2	2	57	15	40
Thistle	22	17	3	2	67	16	37
Redcliffe	24	16	5	3	51	25	37
Merton	22	14	5	3	40	18	33
Richlands	25	15	2	8	58	33	32
Coalstars	25	13	4	8	50	35	30
Acacia Ridge	25	10	4	11	41	50	24
Mitchelton	24	11	1	12	63	53	23
North Star	25	8	2	15	41	56	18
Annerley	25	5	5	15	45	58	15
Salisbury	22	6	3	13	26	57	15
Mt. Gravatt	24	6	2	16	39	68	14
Pine Rivers	25	4	3	18	38	88	11
Gold Coast	25	1	5	19	22	66	7
COLTS B	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
St. Helens	25	21	1	3	91	16	43
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- 18 Goals Steve Perkovic (Sunnyside)
- 17 Goals Ian Steele (Mt. Gravatt)
- 16 Goals Brian Lampitt (Annerley)
- 15 Goals Tony Brennan (Eagles)
- 13 Goals Glen Berry (St. George) Tony Bailey (Thistle)
- 10 Goals Len Pollock (Norths)
- 9 Goals —
 Gerry Kay (Merton)
 Ron Millman (Eagles)
 John Patterson (Thistle)
 lan Lawrie (Ipswich Utd.)
- 8 Goals —
 Craig Wallace (Spencer Park)
 Gavin Johnston (Ipswich Utd.)
- 7 Goals —
 Billy Fagan (St. George)
 Gary Bohan (Mt. Gravatt)
 Martin Breen (Ipswich Utd.)

READERS FORUM

Dear Richlands Windmill Supporter,

I read your letter with great interest in the GO SOCCER magazine, 8th September 1978, and I regret to say in answering you, that my Committee and myself have to agree with what you wrote and do apologise for any inconvenience that you have suffered. With out passing the buck I wish to inform you and all concerned that a new Committee is now in charge of the St. George Souths S.C. and I can assure you that in future we will endeavour to correct any situation which will arise at any level which may inconvenience the paying public.

In closing I would also like to point out that the dressing rooms, canteen and toilet areas have been subject to break-ins and vandalism in the past, but we hope to correct this in the near future.

Yours in Sport, Jim Cottis, President.

MARCONIS REVENGE

SYDNEY—Rising above the reluctance of their players to take a disputed penalty kick, Marconi defeated premiers West Adelaide 2-0 in the Philips League preliminary final at Marconi Oval.

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Marconi now find in a grand final win if they can overcome Eastern Suburbs-Hakoah on Sunday after a season which promised much but produced little.

Bundled out of the Philips Cup by State League side, Croatia-Sydney, they squandered a six point lead to run fourth in the League.

Now by virtue of a 3-2 semi-final win over South Melbourne and the well deserved 2-0 victory, they stand poised to fight for a reversal of their season's "Almost but not quite" record.

The excitement came in the second half and grew when West Adelaide defender Con Kambas brought down Peter Sharne in the 59th minute.

West Adelaide vigorously disputed Melbourne referee Chris Bambridge's decision, complaining that the tackle took place outside the penalty box with Sharne diving inside.

Then in the strangest incident seen in

Sydney this year, the Marconi players took almost two minutes to decide the kicker.

The straw fell to a reluctant Roberto Vieri, whose hesitant approach led to West Adelaide goalkeeper Marty Crook saving a low shot at the left hand post.

Crook let the ball run however and Bert Mariani followed through to turn it in for a goal.

Leaving the goal and Sharne's later close-in scoring shot aside, Marconi had the ball in the West Adelaide net three more times only to have them ruled "No Goal".

West Adelaide Midfielder Peter Boyle received a caution in the 19th minute but Barry Jones and Peter Ollerton were judged offside following the free kick as Mariani slipped the ball into goal.

Seven minutes later Vieri picked his spot out the ball had crossed the back line previously.

And in the 63rd minute Sharne's backheader went in but referee Bambridge disallowed it again for offside.

Sharne's goal was the product of a fine pass from Ollerton and a 25 metre angled

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shot from John Russell that rattled the cross bar.

Goalkeeper Crook pushed it out but Sharne was on the spot for Marconi's second goal. It certainly was not West Adel-

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aide's day.

They struggled up front with both injured players David Pillans and Ian Mc Gregor ineffective, while skipper Neil

shot from John Russell that rattled the McGachey was handicapped with an uncross bar. McGachey was handicapped with an unsound knee.

On top of that right back Barry Reynolds simply could not fathom which way the brilliant Sharne's loping strides would take him.

The man who did the damage for Marconi however was the wily Vieri, who was a class above the rest of the players on the park.

QUEENSLAND JUNIOR SOCCER

AT the recently completed National Junior Championships, Queensland did very well, considering the shortness of time the teams are together in training.

State Championships in the Under 13, 14 and 15 age groups were held during the first week of the August school holidays with teams participating from the 8 Junior Soccer Council Zones. State Teams are selected from these Championships and the selected boys go into training camp for the second week of the school holidays and then, the following week, they participate in the National Championships. While this shortness of time is not desirable, all credit must go to every boy and their respective State Coaches for the high position each of the Queensland teams attained this year.

State Teams and results are as follows— Under 13 — Redcliffe, Queensland

Richard Barnard (Brisbane South), Richard Bassingthwaighte (Brisbane South), Andrew Brown (Brisbane North), Michael Cerneka (Brisbane South), Craig Courtney (North Qld.), David Currie (Wide Bay), David Howell (North Qld.), Michael Gerritsen (Brisbane South), Gavin Hall (Brisbane North), Mark Harvey (Brisbane North), Con Hristomou (Brisbane South), Paddy Jilek (Brisbane North), David Maguira (North Qld.), Adam Tobin (Brisbane North), Colin Tomlinson (Brisbane North), Dale Zimmerlie (Wide Bay), Coach: Jim Gilbert, Manager: John Williams.

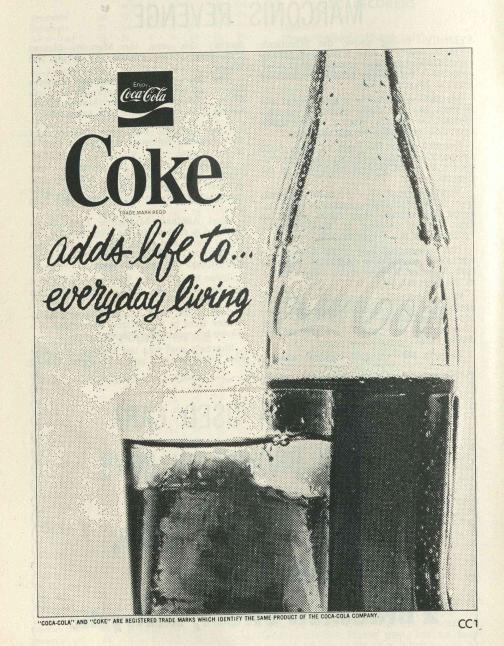
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Under 14 — Yallourn, Victoria

Ross Barbera (Wide Bay), Paul Canniffe (Wide Bay), Robert Webster (Brisbane North), Steven Falco (North Qld.), John Kowtan (Brisbane South), Peter McClurg (Brisbane South), Russell Stewart (Brisbane South), Cameron Bell (Brisbane South), Steven Jackson (Brisbane South), Brett Lyon (Brisbane North), Danny Wright (Brisbane South), Lee McBride (Central Qld.), Glen Archer (Brisbane North), Andrew Chapman (Wide Bay), Steven Booth (Brisbane South), Anthony Politis (Brisbane North).

Coach: Brad Ahern. Manager: David Ley.

	W	D	L	F	Α	P
New South Wales	6	2		31	3	14
Victoria	5	2	1	16	5	12
South Australia	5	2	1	15	8	12
Queensland	4	1	3	16	7	9
Northern N.S.W.	3	2	3	16	9	8
A.C.T.	2	2	4	8	18	6
Western Australia	3	1	4	11	12	7
Tasmania	_	2	6	2	19	2
Northern Territory	1	-	7	4	38	2



Under 15 — Gosford, New South Wales David Perrett (Brisbane South), Paul McMahon (Brisbane South), Neville O'Sullivan (Brisbane South), Gregory Pattel (North Queensland), Gregory Marshall (Brisbane North), Robert Innis (Brisbane South), Anthony Toby (Central Qld.), Geoffrey Turner (Wide Bay), Gavin Campbell (Far North Qld.), Brett Kitching (Brisbane South), John Miller (Brisbane South), Neal Collins (Brisbane North), Trevor Rohdmann (Wide Bay), Sheldon Haines (Wide Bay), Stuart Woodruffe (Brisbane South), Ian Clarke (Wide

Coach: Jim Dolan.

Manager: Andy Boscacci.

	W	D	L	F	Α	P
Northern N.S.W.	6	_	1	11	2	12
South Australia	5	_	2	14	4	10
Victoria	5	_	2	14	8	10
New South Wales	4		3	9	15	8
Queensland	3	_	4	14	14	6
Western Australia	3	_	4	9	9	6
A.C.T.	2	_	5	12	15	4
Tasmania	_	_	7	3	18	-



NORTH Brisbane's Tommy Giles (Left) and Mt. Gravatt's Dave Blackadder,who is recovering from a broken leg.



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Full name Bradley Thomas Ahern Birthplace Ipswich Birthdate April 24th, 1947. 5ft. 8ins. Height 11 stone 4 lbs. Weight Previous club Coalstars No Married Car Holden Sunbird Hatchback Favourite playerCharlie Cooke-Chelsea.

Most difficult opponents, Cliff Sander, Gerry Schoendorfer. Most memorable match Beating Hellenic 1-0 in 1968 in Ampol Cup semifinal for Coalstars. Biggest thrill Playing for Ipswich in Kruger Cup. Biggest disappointmentLosing 1977 grand final 5-1. Best country visited New Zealand Favourite Food Mud crab natural Miscellaneous likes Farm life, rock climbing. Miscellaneous dislikes, Irate parents at junior matches. Favourite T.V. shows, It ain't Half Hot Mum, Dad's Army. Favourite singers Barbra Streisand. Bee Gees. Favourite film stars John Voigt, Jacqueline Bisset. Best friend Dave Moss (Beaudesert Rock Ape.) Biggest influence on career, Former Australian captain Bob Lawrie, my coach at Biggest drag in soccer, When a referee penalises a player who charges an opponent who is obstructing. Soccer ambition, To win the League and grand final. Person in the world you'd most like to

POINTS TO PONDER

PRESIDENT Bill Waddell pointed out to bit of "a pipedream" for the chances of us that last week's P to P, although correct in quoting the Telegraph, did get his statement out of context. Seems the President actually said words to the effect "People will only come to Perry Park if the best games are played there completely free of competition from other games, so allowing youngsters to see the best players in action." Sorry we mis-reported the statement, but even its full context is a

getting everyone to play their games at other times is as far away as the moon. In fact with the present set up we'd say it's impossible.

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WHAT a battle has taken place for the top four in the First Division and as yet it still isn't decided with Thistle an outside chance due to their postponed game. Pity North Brisbane hadn't more than pride to fight for as it would have ensured a bumper gate though no doubt the Thistle "mob" will have turned out in strength.

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THE second division finally sorted itself out with some high scoring matches (unusual to say the least). Trident made sure of their place by hammering seven past the hapless Redcliffe thereby ensuring Mitchelton, despite having a game in hand, finishing just out of the four. Coalstars hammered five past Oxley to ensure their place but Wynnum still had to battle all the way for a 2-1 decision over Acacia Ridge who finished in eighth place!!! after having led the division for weeks at seasons start. 32 goals were scored in the six games and that we feel had to be a record for a division where low scoring victories and draws have been par for the course.

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MACKAY Lions reported to have got "cold feet" over the proposed State League. We aren't surprised but no doubt they'll be queuing up for the vacated space. Mareeba to be interested and no doubt about the fact that Wynnum would not mind "the nod". and few could agree that they deserve the chance.

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"The Big Match" we spoke of in last weeks issue appears to have been settled "out of the ring" so to speak. Thankfully so. Lions are to be allowed the use of Pine Road for next year's P.S.L. games, subject to some figures being settled by an independent tribunal. There will be some compensation paid to the Q.S.F. for loss of revenue, but one wonders what will happen to Perry Park every alternate Sunday. In view of the Presidents' statement in this week's Points to Ponder the question must obviously be "Will State League be played in opposition to the best games???"

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ONE solution jumps to mind of course. State League could be played on a Saturday night at Perry Park, or conversely Lions could play their P.S.L. matches on a Saturday night. In view of falling Sunday attendances might not be such a bad idea.

OUR under-16 boys started away in a blaze of glory in last week's national titles but before the weekend our hopes had been dashed to smithereens. As day followed day it became apparent that our lads are so far behind in pure technique that one wonders if we'll ever catch up. Comment picked up during one of the games from club official stated in effect that little else could be expected, for "many of the N.N.S.W. youngsters are on New-castle KB United's books." Wonder what would happen if Lions or City were seen speaking to some of our young hopefuls? Point to Ponder????

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WHAT'S THIS Someone else getting into print with the idea that what we need in soccer is a "professional set-up" and an "amateur set-up". Good to know that the "thoughts of GO SOCCER" are gathering disciples. Maybe we'll put out a "little Maroon book".

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ANOTHER amalgamation in the offing it seems, a get-together by our "West End compatriots". This could be a good move if successful and could mean a revival for the "Hellenic thousands" who have been sadly missed these last few years.

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SYDNEY still rules supreme at season's end. Marconi sent West Adelaide out of the first "top four" competition 2-0. Now the scene is set for the "big one" a Hakoah v Marconi Grand Final. Not true that huge sigh of relief was heard in certain quarters for not many people were aware that had West Adelaide won there were to be two Grand Finals, one in Sydney and one in Adelaide. Now there will only be one!!! Actually the idea of two Finals was one of the better decisions to come out of P.S.L. management this year. It showed common sense and flexibility two "gifts" that soccer administrators are not renowned for.

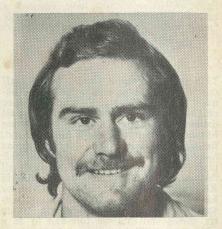
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AS the season draws to a close we would like to take this opportunity to thank the many faceless men who have helped make the GO SOCCER magazine a success this year. Without the regular contributions from the lower divisions we could never

have kept up a 32 page magazine. The writers gave of their time and work unstintingly and they like us, must wonder why other clubs do not take the chance to reach out to their public with a soccer mag. After all they pay for it, but it must be the same old problem, ho, hum, ho, hum, why bother, it's rubbish anyway!! To Up a Ghost-Casper, the Salisbury correspondent, Bill Williams, Iain Kesson, The Trident pen and even the Twig and Exorcist who were late starters, a hundred thousand thanks.

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ALSO to be thanked are the many, many people who took it upon themselves to air their views in our Reader's Forum, a very necessary section of any successful publication. As far as we know no lasting enmities were caused by any letters and that is as it should be. It's great to be able to get something off your chest but just as great to be able to answer. Thanks to all our letter writers.



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Who's going to keep you warm this winter?

