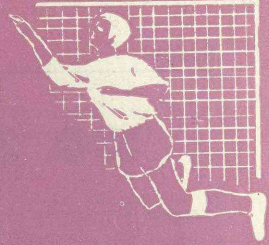




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Who'd be a Goalkeeper? Marconi's Alan Maher, who played against Lions last week, doesn't seem too sure about this situation.


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National PSL Roundup**Champs Hold Out**

SYDNEY — Marconi, fielding a make-shift team, struggled late in the game to beat Brisbane Lions 2-1 at Marconi Stadium.

Despite the loss of midfielder Roberto Vieri and Tony Henderson (injured) and striker Eddie Krncevic (suspended) Marconi fired quite well in the first half.

But lack of concentration in the last fifteen minutes nearly cost them a point when they allowed Brisbane Lions to take control of the game.

Peter Sharne, Australia's fastest winger was heavily marked and took a battering from the Lions' defence.

The game was hard fought with some very tough tackling, which resulted in three Lions' players receiving yellow cards.

Marconi should have been one goal up right from the kick-off when Mark Jankovics broke through the defence, slipping a pass for Ken Lindsay in the goalmouth.

However, Lindsay only ten metres out and in front of the posts shot high over the bar.

But Marconi made amends in the fifth minute when Gary Byrne fired a 20 metre shot into the Lions' net.

The ball had bounced out from the post after a fierce drive from team-mate Berti Mariani.

Brisbane missed an easy chance to equalise in the 31st minute when Tom McGregor shot high over the bar from close range.

Jankovics, who had a fine game, increased Marconi's lead in the 62nd minute when he positioned himself well to head home a pass from Paul Degney.

But in the last 15 minutes Marconi seemed to lose concentration and allowed the Lions to mount several dangerous attacks.

In the 72nd minute Eddie Spearritt finished off a clever move with a 20 metre shot past Alan Maher in the Marconi goal.

Then seven minutes later they were unlucky not to get the equaliser when a fierce drive by Johan Verweij hit the cross-bar with the Marconi keeper well beaten.

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Hero Peter

SYDNEY — Stand-in goalkeeper Peter Freeman was the toast of Blacktown City after he brought off three brilliant saves in the last ten minutes and gave City a point in a 0-0 draw with Leichhardt at Lambert Park.

Freeman, called into the game when regular keeper Bruce James injured himself at training mid-week, otherwise had little to do against a weak Leichhardt attack.

But he was the busiest man on the field in the last ten minutes when he faced Billy Pirie over the penalty spot in the 83rd minute after a foul on Leichhardt striker Tony Morsello.

With the Leichhardt crowd expecting the experienced Pirie to give them a last gasp — though by no means comfortable — victory Freeman guessed where Pirie would smash the ball and dived to save.

However, he only managed to block the ball and it rebounded to Pirie who once more brought the wrath of the crowd upon his head by slamming the ball into Freeman's prostrate body.

In the 85th minute Freeman again kept his net empty with his third magnificent save when he palmed John Bradley's shot over the bar after the Leichhardt midfielder worked his way into the penalty area.

Blacktown coach Mick Jones admitted after the match that his instructions were to concentrate on playing simple soccer.

He said that in previous games Blacktown had tried to play pretty Soccer, and been punished for their attempts.

Although Blacktown played their long-ball game and earned a valuable point it didn't provide entertaining soccer for the fans.

However, Blacktown weren't the only ones to blame for this, as Leichhardt's attacking ideas were limited and their finishing was woeful.

Leichhardt took the initiative from the outset, but apart from Phil O'Connor on the left wing, they made little headway against Blacktown's defence.

Cliff Pointer and veteran Bruce Stowell set up a stone-wall rearguard for Blacktown, and for all of Tony Morsello's running and Pirie's cunning, Leichhardt rarely sent a decent shot on goal.

The first threat to Blacktown's goal was after half an hour when Morsello shot low but Freeman held the shot.

Blacktown relied heavily on Ian Hunter for their breakaway attacks, but he was at times brutally marked by Leichhardt's Mark Pul'en and could make little impression for his team.

Blacktown were reduced to ten men in the last ten minutes when their rugged defender George Harris was sent off by referee Doug Rennie after a second bad foul of the game.

The man Harris fouled was Leichhardt winger Phil O'Connor Harris, former team-mate at St. George last season.

In the last ten minutes Leichhardt brought on two young strikers in Robbie Drews and Mark Samuels and these two lads picked up the tempo of the game.

However, Freeman's brilliance in goal was the deciding factor and finally earned his side a valuable point.

Leichhardt's problems continue with a distinct lack of firepower up front, and a midfield which never really provided the right ammunition for the team.

Blacktown's willingness to fight for 90 minutes was their outstanding characteristic and their team spirit is improving with each game.

As Mick Jones later said, if he gets a free run from injuries and can field a settled team for a few weeks, the PSL could see a much improved Blacktown in the second half of the season.

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Warming Up

SYDNEY — Newcastle KB United put themselves in the right frame of mind for Saturday's clash with Philips League champions Marconi by hammering St. George 3-0 at the St. George Stadium.

The win seemed inevitable from the opening minutes when crosses from Newcastle wingers David Jones and Graham Heys put the St. George rearguard under unbearable pressure.

Heys, 17th minute corner from the left had Saints reeling, and they were wide

open when clever Newcastle midfielder Brett Cowburn struck a part clearance from 30 metres out which flashed into the St. George net.

Mike Fraser, making a return to the St. George goal after recovering from an eye injury, was unable to cope with a neat header from Heys three minutes later to make it 2-0.

Peter Tredinnick, superb throughout as Newcastle's attacking left mid-fielder, displaced Groome with Richard Yamine, who showed up well in his first taste of PSL premiership soccer.

Blanco's second replacement, Roy Cotton for Dennis Duarte, almost paid a dividend.

In the 55th minute Cotton latched onto a superb ball along the carpet from midfielder Paul Kay, but his shot struck the upright and ran free.

Heys, who led the Saints defence a merry dance throughout, ghosted past St. George stopper Utjesenovic right on the hour.

His short cross curled back splendidly for Tredinnick to head home Newcastle's third goal.

Saints, not aggressive enough at any stage, had a late chance through Cotton, who opened up Newcastle's left flank only to see Kay Poke the ball past the post.

In the 81st minute Newcastle's Cowburn was almost in again, but his swerving left-foot pile-driver hit the post.

Throughout the game Newcastle were extremely well served by defenders Paul Reaney, Arno Bertogna and Col Curran, with Craig Mason also prominent in midfield.

David Deakin and David Jones positioned themselves well into space at the front and did their share in keeping the St. George side demoralised.

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Heidelberg Humbled

ADELAIDE — Adelaide City ended Heidelberg's unbeaten run in the Philips League with an exciting 1-0 win at Olympic Sports Field.

Sergio Melta's 16th minute shot separated the sides. City struck the form which coach Rale Rasic had been hoping for all season.

Their mid-fielders dominated the match and completely snuffed out goal king Gary Cole.

Heidelberg rarely tested City goalkeeper Peter Marshall while at the other end Yakka Banovic confirmed his standing as one of the top two goalkeepers in the country.

His 19th minute save from a Buggy Nyskohus shot drew thunderous applause from the 5,315 spectators.

But, not even Banovic's acrobatics could prevent the only goal of the match when Melta drove in a fierce shot which took a deflection.

Heidelberg's best chance of the match came in the 14th minute when Cole burst through the defence and cracked a rasping shot just wide of the far post.

It was Adelaide City from there on and Cole spent a frustrating afternoon waiting for the passes that never came.

City's veteran mid-fielder John Perin and Agenor Muniz were the game's outstanding personalities.

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Penalty Decides

CANBERRA — A magnificent seven goal thriller went Canberra City's way 4-3 against West Adelaide with a deadlock breaking penalty in the 69th minute.

It was a spectacular, incident-packed game at Bruce Stadium. But a flamboyant West Adelaide coach Gerry Chaldi screamed: "It was never a penalty."

Earlier, Chaldi himself was booked by Canberra referee Mr. Bob Mee for what Mee later said was: "Foul and abusive language and coaching from the sidelines."

It was also the highest scoring game ever at Bruce Stadium.

West Adelaide were first to score when striker John Kosmina chipped the ball over the head of Canberra's goalkeeper Richard Wilson in the 14th minute.

Less than 45 seconds later Kosmina's opposite number — Sebastian Giampaolo — equalised with a brilliant, sizzling drive from 25 metres out.

Canberra then pressed incessantly but it was again West Adelaide who hit the front after Shraga Topaz headed home a rising free-kick from Portugese import Manecas.

Just two minutes from half time Canberra's Robert O'Shea almost took out the back of the net with the game's

finest goal. O'Shea was over 30 metres out when he cracked the ball first time through a wall of players and into the net.

Striker Walter Valeri gave Canberra an early second half lead but West Adelaide pulled back the deficit in the 56th minute.

Youngster Chris Key scored an opportunist goal after shrugging off a tackle by Mike Milanovic and sliding the ball past Wilson. Canberra continued to press and were more precise and dangerous in attack.

Valeri was moving goalwards when up-ended in the box and referee Mee awarded a penalty immediately. Valeri steadied himself and placed it well out of the reach of West Adelaide's goalkeeper Martyn Crook.

Canberra ended a run of two consecutive defeats while Chaldi although still angry over the penalty, was full of praise for his players.

"We are building a new team. Today was the first time that they had really played like a team," was Chaldi's parting comment.

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Reprieve for Sydney Trio?

SYDNEY — Sydney's three struggling Philips League teams St. George, Leichhardt and Blacktown City may get a reprieve from possible relegation at the end of the year.

That is if the Philips League and the Australian Soccer Federation stick to their desired aim of gradually increasing the size of the PSL competition.

At present the three Sydney clubs are in the bottom four of the competition, with Blacktown holding last place just behind Brisbane City, St. George and Leichhardt.

Philips League General manager, John Frank said that the ASF's and the PSL's relegation rules from last year would still apply: the bottom two teams will be relegated.

However, he said that once again the re'egated clubs could re-apply along with any other clubs from around the country. But he added that it was a 'desired aim' of the Philips League to gradually increase the number of teams in the competition.

He said it could possibly happen that no teams would be relegated at the end of the year, while two more could be added.

"Our aim is to strengthen the Philips League," Mr. Frank said.

"If the Philips League feels that the two bottom teams still offer something to the competition then they could be retained. Similarly, if there are two good applications from teams at present in State League competitions, the PSL and ASF could look favourably on their inclusion in an expanded national competition," Mr. Frank said.

"At present the ASF is still warning Soccer clubs throughout the country to start preparing their possible PSL applications as soon as possible. The reason for this is that the PSL will probably start a month earlier than usual next year — in February — because of the Youth World Cup to be held in Australia, late in 1981.

"As a result we will have to look at all applications a little sooner this year to give the successful applicants — if any — time to prepare for the 1981 competition," Mr. Frank said.

The three Sydney clubs at present in the doldrums are proving a 'delight' for those Soccer theorists who have been demanding the reduction in the number of Sydney teams.

At the end of the first PSL season in 1977 it became apparent that five teams from Sydney was far too many — both as a crowd-pulling attraction and as an outlet for Sydney's talent.

This season it has become even more obvious that despite Sydney's huge population, the wealth of talent is no more abundant than that available in Newcastle, Brisbane or Adelaide.

The crowds too have failed to pick up except for those of the top two clubs, Marconi and Sydney City, who have provided a consistently high standard of Soccer and entertainment throughout the four years of the PSL.

Leichhardt are renowned for their ability to pick up points towards the end of the year, but Blacktown — as the competition's new boys — are already finding the going tough and will be lucky to escape a bottom two placing.

As for St. George, despite lavishing hundreds of thousands of dollars on a superb grandstand, they have failed to keep up the standard of their once proud Soccer team.

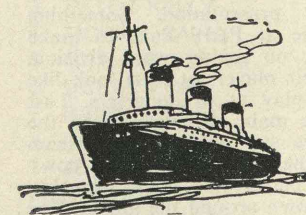
If they fall into the relegation zone, it will be interesting to see if their magnificent stadium can keep their ordinary Soccer team in the PSL.

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POINTS TO PONDER

THE old story about player-coach set-ups not working seems to have been disproved, when you look at Heidelberg United and Sydney City, who before last weekend were No. 1 and 2 in the PSL. Heidelberg are being coached by players Pat Bannon and Jim Rooney, although Eddie Thomson does not take the field too often these days with John Spanos playing well. We are told however, that a very well known coach in Victoria is LENDING a hand in the Heidelberg camp.

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NO doubt about people in the country particularly soccer people. They have a habit of doing things in a bigger and better way than their city cousins. So it was no surprise last week to receive a copy of the official Ampol Cup programme produced by the Stanthorpe Soccer Federation, who hosted the southern zone. The 24 page programme was a credit to the SSF, whose president is Frank Torrisi.

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TOWNSVILLE United coach Tim White taking no chances with his players before this weekends match against Ipswich United. Knowing that the players will all be up watching the FA Cup final, the club has organised to fly the team down the day before, so they can watch Arsenal beat West Ham, then sleep in till their hearts content.

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TALK about presentation. Something should be done at Perry Park to make sure all clubs, no matter what division, ensure that their players at least look like they want to play at headquarters. Last Sunday, in the main curtainraiser to the PSL match, we saw a junior colts team straggle onto the pitch like brown's cows. Almost every player had either his shirt out or socks down around the ankles. The opposition ran on like a team and won the match 2-1. A moral there somewhere?

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WELL known referee recently could not stand personal and foul-mouthed abuse from a spectator any longer, and told the clown he would meet him after the game outside the dressing room. Only trouble referee who was inspecting the game was sitting near the spectator with the loud mouth. Ref. says first time he has let abuse get the better of him in long career, and he got caught.

SOME people thought they might have been seeing double during Ampol Cup game between North Brisbane and Trident last Monday. No. 7 for North Brisbane was well known Kas Biedak, who has now been playing here for a few seasons. But the No. 11 bore an uncanny resemblance and no wonder, as it was Kas' brother George, who arrived in Brisbane only recently.

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COULD it be . . . no, there have been no announcements yet. Keen observers at Perry Park last Monday, where two well known whistlemen were involved in Ampol Cup action, noticed respective wives of the two refs. sitting together in the clubhouse. And they were both knitting.

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QSF vice-president George Mylonas reckons Brisbane City owe him at least a vote of thanks after last week-end. George attended his first PSL match this season and City won their first game against Sydney City.

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TWO clubs slipped up badly in the Ampol Cup last week-end. They did not realise they could run a gate on the match and later might have had regrets when a healthy crowd estimated at about 400-500 turned up to watch the two first division sides do battle.

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NOW we know that referees and linesmen listen to the PA at Perry Park. Joint raffle was run during Monday's Cup games and the winner was Mrs. Hazel Nugent. Don't know if it was done on purpose but announcement was made over public address to test reaction of husband Dave, who was running the line. He certainly reacted to the news.

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POPULAR Mitchelton identity Kevin Jones and wife Vicky became proud parents of a baby boy Adam last Thursday week, the couple's first child. Mitchelton fared poorly in their Cup clash with Acacia Ridge on the following Saturday, but we don't know if the arrival had anything to do with that.

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NO wonder Matt Carson showed a good deal of interest in Frank Marenic when he was at Eagles. The big powerful youngster is now playing with Olympic and it's a pity he didn't aim for greater heights in State League.

State League 1980 — Round 5

SUNDAY, MAY 11, 3 p.m.

GRANGE THISTLE

1. GREG MARSHALL
2. GLEN HUNTLEY
3. MARK APONAS
4. HUISDEAN LAZENBY
5. IAIN FAGAN
6. STEVE DOLAN
7. KEN SWAN
8. JOHN PATERSON
9. RICKY MANGAN
11. DANNY HILL
12. DAVID WHYTE
13. DAVID JONES
14. WILSON MAELAUA
15. ALISTAIR PAGAN
16. ROSS SWAN
18. BEN SOKENI
19. SAM ATA
20. JOHN FERGUSON

Manager: GEORGE PAGAN

Coach: TONY BUESNEL

Next Opponents:

TOWNSVILLE UTD. (Away)

Last Year's Results: 2-3, 3-1

SUNDAY, MAY 11, 2.30 p.m.

SOUTHSIDE EAGLES

1. JOHN BENNETT
2. TREVOR MORRIS
3. JOHN VANKERKVOORT
4. GREG JACKSON
5. IVARS MELBERGS
6. ALAN MARSZALEK
7. GORDON McANDREW
8. STEWART WESTON
9. NICK PENKLIS
10. KENNY GORDON
11. BRAD RYAN
12. GERRY VANDERSTAM
13. TOM KENNY
14. JOHN LAVELLE
15. GEOFF McILWAINE
16. PAUL GRAVESON
17. MARK GRICE

Coach: DEREK MANN

Next Opponents:

IPSWICH UTD. (home)

Last Year's Results: 0-4, 0-1

LANHAM PARK

GOLD COAST CITY

1. GLENN AHEARN
2. STEPHEN BENNETT
3. ANDY REYNER
4. PETER HUME
5. STEVEN BALL
6. PAUL BROWN
7. KEN MEADOWS
8. DENNIS DODD
9. GRAHAM HENWOOD
10. CLIFF CALLY
11. GRAHAM HAYWARD
12. TONY PIGGOTT
13. GLEN QUIGLEY
14. PAUL SLEIGHT
15. IAN RUNCIE

Coach: VERN SLEIGHT

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Next Opponents:

MT. GRAVATT (home)

MARTENS OVAL

ACROSS THE WAVES

1. BOB BARLOW
2. ALAN SINCLAIR
3. PETER KELLY
4. MORRIS ZAINA
5. GRAHAM YOUNG
6. BOBBY FORD
7. BRIAN KIBBEY
8. RON KIDD
9. JOHN WOOD
11. RON SMITH
12. NEALE MOLLER
13. ROBERT SERGIACOMI
14. ALDO BARETTA
15. GARY BROMFIELD
20. JOHN GORZA

Coach: EDDIE CARRIGAN

Next Opponents:

FRENCHVILLE UNITED (Away)

SUNDAY, MAY 11, 3 p.m.

ST. GEORGE SOUTHS

- ROSS KELLY
- STAN DUNLOP
- TONY EDWARDS
- JIM QUINN
- STEVE BROWN
- PAUL MYLONAS
- COLIN KNOTT
- JEFF LOWE
- BILLY FAGAN
- TOM GRAY
- BARRIE FAIRBROTHER
- JOHN DEEGAN
- JOHN DAVIS
- RICKY BOW
- NEIL BOWERS
- KEVIN CROSS
- MARK KELSEY
- STEVE KONSTANINOU

Coach: KENNY BASS

Next Opponents:
MAREEBA UTD. (Away)

Last Year's Results: 6-1, 0-1.

SUNDAY, MAY 11, 3 p.m.

IPSWICH UNITED

- 1 GREG DONNELLY
- 2 GARY PENNELL
- 3 PETER NIELSEN
- 4 WAYNE WARREN
- 5 JEFF DANN
- 6 STEVE DANN
- 7 RANDALL McKEAND
- 8 RICHIE WILSON
- 9 JOHN DANN
- 10 BRYAN KATHAGE
- 11 NEV O'SULLIVAN
- 12 DAVE ALLEN
- 13 BRUCE PENMAN
- 14 CRAIG LOW
- 15 MURRAY KITCHING
- 16 BRETT KITCHING
- 17 DAVE PERRETT
- 18 JON KITCHING
- 19 JOHN MILLER
- 20 MARK KORHECZ

Coach: AL WARREN

Sponsor: JACARANDA DAIRY

Next Opponents:
SOUTHSIDE EAGLES (away)

Last Year's Results: 1-0, 1-3

PERRY PARK

FRENCHVILLE UNITED

- 1 STEPHEN CUNNINGHAM
- 2 BEVAN CUMMING
- 3 SHANE SARGENT
- 4 IAN LAMB
- 5 ALAN CAIRD
- 6 IAN PROUD
- 7 CRAIG McLATCHY
- 8 DEREK DOOLAN
- 9 LEE McBRIDE
- 10 PAUL BEVAN
- 11 CLAUDIO SCARDILLO
- 12 GREG McMILLAN
- 13 BRETT DRUERY
- 14 DAVE STUART
- 15 CLIFF ARNOLD
- 16 GEORGE BRABON
- 17 PETER PIROG
- 20 COLIN BALDERSON

Coach: PETER PIROG

Next Opponents:
ACROSS THE WAVES (home)

BUNDAMBA

TOWNSVILLE KERN UNITED

- 1 PHIL FIGGINS
- 2 KEVIN JOHNSON
- 3 KEITH ROYLE
- 4 MARK SPIEGELHAUER
- 5 HUGH MONTGOMERY
- 6 DALE WHALLEY
- 7 FRANK HOUSTON
- 8 IAN BOYCE
- 9 MICK GEOGHEGAN
- 10 TOM WALTON
- 11 GORDON SIMPSON
- 13 GARY JOHNSON
- 14 CHRIS YOUNG
- 15 ANDY MADLINGER
- 16 JOHN BRUCE

Coach: TIM WHITE

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Next Opponents:
GRANGE THISTLE (home)

SUNDAY, MAY 11, 2.30 p.m.

MT. GRAVATT

- 1 MARK DAVIS
- 2 STEVE CLARK
- 3 CHRIS CORCORAN
- 4 DAVE COSTA
- 5 BEVAN BOHAN
- 6 JOHN FERGUSON
- 7 PAUL YEUELL
- 8 HARRY STEWART
- 9 IAN HEAD
- 10 GARY BOHAN
- 11 DANNY BROWNLOW
- 12 MAL BLAND
- 13 JIM McINTYRE
- 14 PHIL THOMPSON
- 15 ERIC THOMPSON
- 16 BRIAN HUDSON
- 17 RUSSELL STEWART
- 18 ROBERT INNES
- 19 PAUL McMAHON
- 20 ROSS CORCORAN

Coach: FRED ROBINS

Next Opponents:
GOLD COAST CITY (away)

DITTMER PARK

MAREEBA UNITED

- 2 BRIAN STOPFORD
- 3 JULIO ARANCIO
- 4 MICHAEL PIROVICH
- 5 GEOFF MAYES
- 6 IVOR SCHOFIELD
- 7 KIM LAIDLAW
- 8 ALAN HUGHES
- 9 STEVE TROVALUSCI
- 10 PAUL TROVALUSCI
- 11 COLIN CULLETON
- 12 LOU SERAFINI
- 13 JOHN MALCOLM
- 14 DAVE WATSON
- 15 KARL HERDLE
- 16 MICK BOOT
- 17 TED KRISTENS
- 20 JOHN HARDAKER

Coach: IVOR SCHOFIELD

Next Opponents:
ST. GEORGE (home)

Last Year's Results: 3-0, 3-1

BRISBANE LIONS PSL PROGRAMME 1980

Date	Opponents	Venue	Result	Goal Scorers
March 9	Canberra City	Away	W 4-2	McNaughton, Hughes, Niven, OG.
March 16	Sth. Melbourne	Home	L 1-2	Reid
March 23	Footscray	Away	L 1-3	Lindsay
March 30	West Adelaide	Home	W 2-1	Millman, Verweij
April 6	Adelaide City	Away	D 0-0	
April 13	Sydney City	Home	W 2-0	Niven, Millman
April 20	St. George	Away	W 3-2	Lindsay, Ontong, McGregor
April 27	Blacktown City	Home	W 1-0	McGregor
May 4	Marconi	Away	L 0-1	Spearritt
May 11	Leichhardt	Home		
May 18	Newcastle Utd.	Away		
May 25	Brisbane City	Away		
June 1	Heidelberg Utd.	Home		
June 8	Sth. Melbourne	Away		
June 15	Canberra City	Home		
June 22	West Adelaide	Away		
July 13	Footscray	Home		
July 20	Adelaide City	Home		
July 27	Sydney City	Away		
August 10	St. George	Home		
August 17	Blacktown City	Away		
August 24	Marconi	Home		
Sept. 7	Leichhardt	Away		
Sept. 14	Newcastle Utd.	Home		
Sept. 21	Brisbane City	Home		
October 5	Heidelberg Utd.	Away		

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KEN SWAN



The first Australian born player in our pen pictures series, Kennie was born in Roma in South-Western Queensland. His entire junior football was spent with The Gap Pastime Club in Brisbane. Ken, who turns 20 this year, has had a long career already, having been playing since the age of seven.

He's now in his fourth year with Thistle and was introduced to senior football playing alongside such internationals as Jim Hermiston and Steve Dolan. Now he is almost a permanent fixture in the side.

In his junior days, Ken represented Brisbane at all ages, visiting just about every Australian capital as well as New Zealand during the course of representative competition. He has won the Queensland jersey on a number of occasions in U/16, U/18 and U/19, as well as Australian Schoolboys U/18.

He plays as a midfield striker and scored 4 goals in our inaugural year in State League. In 1978, the last year in 1st Division, Ken was scoring a goal a game during the first round, so the sight of goal is no stranger to him.

Ken is a fulltime student, studying to be a teacher and he obviously hopes that when he qualifies his first posting isn't too far from Lanham Park. Nevertheless, Ken is a serious type and when he does get his first school he will give of his best as he does on the football park.

He models his football on current Australian captain Jimmy Rooney, a player he admires.

Whilst every player has a nickname of sorts, Ken has really only been known as "Swanny" out on the park.

As is the case with most members of the squad, his most memorable match was the Grand Final replay in 1979.

CLUB NEWS

Last week, the Fancy Dress party organised by the players did, in fact, take place, despite the threat of "boycott" by some of the more serious club drinkers who said they couldn't face their drinks as well as assorted "odd bods."

For instance, John Cartwright our 6' 4" physio. posed as a woodland fairy, complete with tutu and magic wand; Alistair "Bunny Girl" Pagan; or John "Lord Fauntleroy" Paterson.

If we manage to uncover a photograph or two of these heroes, we'll bring them to you in future issues. Meanwhile, the players committee have decided that in view of the success of this venture, they will organise another one later in season.

Colts 'A' Coach, Jim Balish, and 6th Division's Sandy Woodside, vying for whose team can last the longest with a nil score against them. 6th Division, after 4 matches, have scored 18, whilst the Colts have scored 14 after 3 matches. They appreciate that it is early days yet but, even so, it augurs well for a good season for their respective teams. Meanwhile, the Colts 'B', on present form, look like having the highest number of

score draws as 2 out of 3 isn't bad odds. Although even this effort is outdone by the SEQ side who have won 1 match and drawn their other three. A good bet for the pools maybe!

The secondary schools 5-a-side tournament, which was so successful last year, is once again going to be part of our State League programme this year. The first matches get underway on May 23rd. Participating schools this year are Indooroopilly, The Gap, Pine Rivers, Macgregor, Wavell, Holland Park, Acacia Ridge, Kedron, Mitchelton and Springwood. There will be no byes in the first round this year as some schools have nominated two teams. This competition is run during the break in the State League matches, using mini goals and three-quarters of the main oval.

Past President Noel Watson left last Friday to New Zealand once again, making his third trip. He is accompanying our annual Under 16 team visit to Auckland, being hosted by the Eastern Suburbs Club. After this trip he'll also be speaking Maori fluently!

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Soccer in the Seventies

(From a Soviet Union Sports Magazine)

A RE-GROUPING OF FORCES

Year in and year out the same group of European countries divided the top places among themselves, not allowing any outsiders to break in. But the seventies sharply changed the situation. In 1972 Poland won the Olympic title for the first time; in 1974 it became a World Cup prize winner. The German Democratic Republic took the Olympic crown in 1976. The Netherlands zoomed up from 20th place in the authoritative France Football rankings in the 1960's to second place in 1972. At the time many disputed the validity of this high ranking but in the following years Dutch soccer, previously regarded as an inferior variety of English soccer, squeezed out the English and the other recognised leaders.

West Germany emerged as European champion in 1972 and captured the World Cup in 1974. The positions of West German soccer were consolidated when Bavaria of Munich won the European Champions' Cup three times. It is interesting to note that in 1970's only clubs of two other countries —the Netherlands (four times) and England (three times) — took that trophy.

The 1970's confirmed the strength of English club soccer. English teams came out on top in the three European tournaments ten times, or more than anybody else. The performances by the English national team, however, were a far cry from those of 1966 when it won the World Cup. In fact, England failed to reach the World Cup's last 16 in 1974 and 1978. Under Ron Greenwood, the new team manager, England has improved and now seems ready to re-enter the battle for a place in the soccer sun. West Germany, which disappointed its fans in the last World Cup, now has a new coach too, Jupp Derwall, and it is also climbing out of the rut.

Looking beyond Europe, due credit must be given to Argentina for the World Cup victory in 1978. Although the winning line-up broke up soon after, the firm hand of Lous Cesar Menotti, nonsense coach, is making itself felt in the performance by the new players recruited from the national under-21 squad which Menotti coached to the world title last year.

Since 1977 the under-21 world championship has been added to the already full international calendar. The Soviet team

was the first to win the world under-21 crown. But it was distressing to see the Soviet players who had done so well in junior and under-21 tournaments fall behind at senior level.

Finally, when looking at world soccer one cannot ignore the African teams, which have made their voice clearly heard for the first time. The Tunisian national team acquitted itself with honour against famous rivals in the 1978 World Cup. However, African soccer does not yet have enough international experience to enable us to predict with confidence that this first swallow means spring will soon be here.

A DECADE OF PARADOXES

Soccer has two poles of attraction. One is made up of wins, points and shifts in tournament standings. But a victory scored through mediocre or rough play does not give genuine satisfaction, and this factor makes soccer's spectator appeal equally important. Although the Netherlands failed to capture the World Cup twice, being the runner-up both times, its popularity did not suffer as a result. Watching the team in action was sheer pleasure.

Not so very long ago the sporting and aesthetic aspects of soccer were more balanced. The quality of the winning performances by Brazil at the 1970 World Cup in Mexico and by West Germany in the 1972 European championship in Belgium fully measured up to the level of the titles they won. But the first symptoms of victories not quite up to the mark were making themselves apparent already then. The runner-up in the 1970 World Cup was Italy, a team which put more effort into preventing its opponents from scoring than into its own playing.

Paradoxical'y, the 1978 Italian World Cup squad made a much better impression than its predecessor, even though it finished in fourth place. At any rate, the team played actively, with flair. However in the match for third place Italy was defeated by a brand-new advocate of cautious play, Brazil. There we see another somersault of present-day soccer: the Brazilians, always the epitome of attack, had become too frankly engrossed in goal defence. The three-time World Cup holder lost prestige when it rejected its customary style of play.

The seventies also provided an example of the opposite kind. Argentina won the World Cup because it had given up its

usual style. Coach Menotti boldly discarded Argentina's archaic style of defence, slowness, individualism and weak-willed, capricious primadonnas. The young footballers he selected for the national line-up were weaned away from the style customary in their club teams. They launched furious and indefatigable attacks, all acting in unison and, as the press noted, "they won with their hearts". In the light of the lessons served up by Menotti it is now perhaps worthwhile reconsidering the customary "like club teams, like national squad" belief.

No sooner had the 1978 World Cup ended than members of the victorious team hastily boarded jetliners to transfer from the sunny banks of the La Plata to the fog-shrouded banks of the Thames. Players from other countries went there too. Soccer migration is nothing new in our day, of course, but the surprising thing is that the boom has spread to England, which always managed with its own players and took pride in what could be called its soccer puritanism. Now the English justify the transfers by a need to infuse new blood into their soccer. But aren't they forgetting what a deplorable effect the domination of club teams by foreign players had on the Italian and Spanish national squads? England is still far, however, from domination by foreign players.

SEARCHING FOR A WAY OUT

With the blessings of Internazionale of Herrera's time (the mid 1960's) soccer in many countries acquired the negative features of dull practicality and cold calculation to win at any price. The rise in the prestige of victories and in the purely commercial advantages of winning further tightened the grip of defensive soccer. Scoring frequency dropped. So did stadium attendance. The 1970's were affected by that too.

Still and all, the gloomy pessimism of some experts is unfounded. When professional clubs lost their followers they began to take steps against tight defence. The adherents of that style see that it cannot bring victory nowadays in a tournament of any stature.

In the 1970's the teams that did the most attacking moved up to become the winners and finalists in the World Cup, the European championships and the Olympic tournaments.

Just recall the short but fascinating festival of modern soccer at the 1976 European championship in Yugoslavia. The four more or less even teams demonstrated enchanting, subtle and colourful soccer.

The skill and level-headedness of the Czechoslovak footballers in the crucial moments lent significance to their victory.

A purely tactical antidote to the deadly boredom of "pointsconscious" soccer seems to have been found as well. In 1972 the West German national squad and Ajax of the Netherlands introduced a style that has come to be known as total football and is based on constant teamwork by large groups of players and on all-round training. There is no one-sidedness about total football: neither dull defence nor rash aggression, neither the cult of power nor the cult of technique. Total football is perhaps the biggest advance since the Brazilian system of the 1950's. The Dutch are its most consistent exponents. In their performances total football has acquired expressiveness and finish. However, the standards it sets players are so high that so far by no means all teams can apply it.

WHERE HAVE THE LEADERS GONE?

No teams in the last two World Cup playoffs stood out the way Brazil did in 1958 and 1970. Such club leaders as Real, Santos, Ajax and Bavaria have vanished from the soccer horizon. The stars without whom the existence of such teams is inconceivable have disappeared too. Comparing the 1972 World Cup with the preceding one Di Stefano commented briefly: "There's a shortage of players." The 1978 World Cup was still more sparing as regards new names.

What lies behind it all? For many years the slogan of goals above E'se demanded more muscular effort than skill. The era of defensive soccer did not contribute to the rise of outstanding personalities. As for total football, it has not been in existence long enough for players to get used to it. But still, there are quite a few of them capable of dealing quickly and rationally with the ball in cramped circumstances. Some are able to find the kind of original moves and effective continuations that have always distinguished outstanding footballers.

For example, Manfred Kaltz, the West German defender, approaches that. If Kees Kist of the Netherlands stabilises his performance he might develop into a second Gerd Muller. Hungary's 19-year-old Kis resembles both Albert and Bene at the same time.

Soccer is an optimistic game; nothing is more disastrous to it than to lose sight of the prospects. Unsuccessful though Soviet soccer's last season was, its closing period fills us with fresh hope. It was a long time since our national championship had witnessed such keen competition at

the top of the table, or such a dashing champion as Spartak, a team that played well and with pleasure and gave pleasure to the spectators. The international season also ended on a high note. In the brilliant end-of-the-season match between

the German Democratic Republic and the Netherlands the fans saw soccer in all its elegance and fighting spirit. That match was like a baton being passed on to the eighties.

THE AMPOL CUP

MACKAY — Bundaberg and Sunshine Coast won their country qualifying zones of the Ampol Soccer Cup to reach the final 16 of the competition next month.

Bundaberg produced the easiest passage by capturing the central zone, undefeated in Gladstone, by passing the favourites Rockhampton.

Bundaberg opened up with a 3-1 win over Maryborough on Saturday, took care of Rockhampton 4-2 the next day, then completed the job by tossing Gladstone 4-0.

Sunshine Coast were considered surprise winners in the southern zone in Stanthorpe, and clinched the section by beating Toowoomba 3-0.

The three-day northern zone was a closer tussle in Cairns, with the issue being decided in the final round.

But Mackay, thanks to a 3-3 draw with North Queensland, avoided a playoff against Mt. Isa, who downed Far North Queensland 2-1.

Leading goalscorer in the Cairns tournament was Mackay's Richard Shortman, a former prominent first division player in Brisbane.

The player judged the best overall performer in the northern zone was Far North right full-back, John Cleland.

The first round of the Brisbane elimination series was completed with Trident and Merton East producing impressive victories at Perry Park.

Trident came back from a 2-1 deficit to draw level with North Brisbane and force extra time then carried on to add another two in the extra 20 minutes.

Spurred on by former Mt. Gravatt midfielder David Blackadder, Merton East snatched some spectacular goals in their 5-2 win over Olympic.

But another major Merton contributor was young striker Bruce Rehbock, who grabbed two fine goals before being injured in the second half.

Toowoomba St. Albans fell by the Wayside when they lost 3-1 at home to Salisbury.

Redcliffe downed Rovers United 3-1 at home and Goodna came up with a solid away win, beating Pine Rivers 4-0.

Undefeated first division leaders Taringa Rovers were another to win at home when they were too strong for Gap Pastime, winning 2-0.

Monday's six Brisbane winners now go into the second local qualifying round against Saturday's winners — Fortitude Valley, Industrial, Darra, Acacia Ridge, Wynnum and Annerley.

From these 12 sides, three eventually will qualify for the final 16 of the Cup.

The other 13 starters will be the 10 State League clubs and country zone winners — Sunshine Coast, Mackay and Bundaberg.

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RIDGE REPORTING

AFTER three successive draws, the Ridge broke the ice last Saturday in the first round of the Ampol Cup against Mitchelton, who were a little disappointing in the light of their recent premiers form. But we know they will be a far different proposition when we meet them in the League next week.

The Ridge got off to a dream start, when after only 10 minutes John (Ferret) Kean capitalised on a bad mistake by the Mitchy defence. These type of mistakes were to prove Mitchy's downfall, as they continually tried to play football at the back and were lucky not to have given away further goals in this half. The Ridge defence, with Garth Wilson and Norm Bell excelling, were handling the Mitchy attack, whose best forward was Ross Denny, and he gave our fullbacks Randall Jackson and Alan Hunter a torrid time.

First 20 minutes of the second half is best forgotten as the standard from both

sides was woeful. This was until the 21st minute, when Tony Bones broke through the defence, but this good run was ended by a good tackle.

Peter McKenzie and Randal Jackson also went close to scoring. But Mitchy lost all chance of getting back into the game when the keeper misjudged a cross from the left wing and Steve Gallagher put his header away after 23 minutes of the second half.

With only two minutes left The Ridge dealt Mitchy the coup de grace when substitute Nev. Cruickshanks slipped a gem of a ball through the middle of the park and found Ferret Kean, who rounded the keeper but was pulled down. Referee Wood awarded a penalty and Budgie Kay made no mistake. A good win lads but let's not be too over-confident when we face Mitchy the next time.

Mike Collins

Sunshine Coast Soccer Association

"SUNSHINE COAST SOCCER NEWS"

With 2 rounds of fixtures completed, results are starting to show just who the top teams are. At this stage it clearly looks like Bee Gees and Buderim are once again going to be the teams to beat.

Bee Gees have recorded 2 very good wins, 5-1 over Caloundra and 5-0 over Nambour Reds, which shows their superiority, with the top striker on the Coast. Lysle Bryce, in top form, having scored 7 of 10 goals scored by the club.

Buderim also have recorded 2 wins. On both occasions the margins have not been much, but Buderim have clearly been the better side. They beat Gympie Diggers 2-1 and Noosa 3-1 with only 10 players for most of the game.

Of the other teams, Noosa — Woombye and Nambour Reds have recorded one win and one loss, plus Gympie Diggers and Maroochydon recording one win and a draw, with Caloundra having lost both games 5-1 to Bee Gees and 4-1 to Woombye, as again it is hard to see any of these teams beating either Bee Gees and Buderim.

Sunshine United, after losing the 1st 2 games, finally got off the ground and

drew with Westside 3 all after being down 3-1 at half time. The big difference was having a top striker up front. This was Lysle Bryce from Bee Gees, playing his first game for United. He scored all 3 goals, then next Sunday for his home team scored all 5 goals against Nambour Reds.

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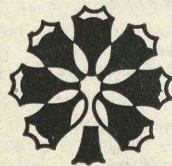
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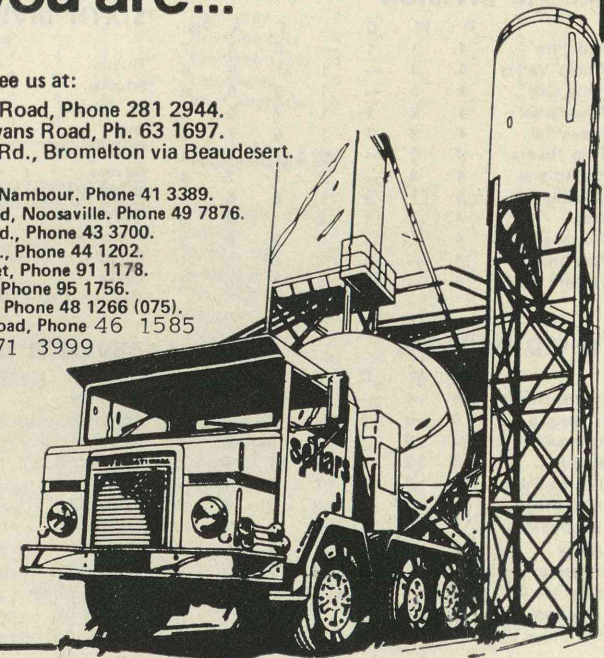
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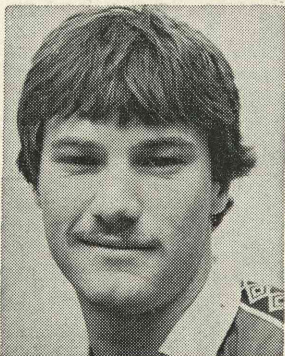
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