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Barry Kelso in a heading duel with Heidelberg United skipper, Pat Bannon



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THISTLE INTO FINAL

Grange Thistle 2 (Marley 8, Maelaua 67) d Mt. Gravatt 1 (Reid pen. 56) Referee: Alan Kibler, rating 9 Cautions: B. Bohan, G. Bohan. Sent Off: R. Stewart

In a match of two contrasting halves Thistle finally topped Mt. Gravatt this year in the major semi-final last week. This has been the fourth time the two teams have met this year with Mt. Gravatt winning the first three confrontations. There was a lot of speculation prior to the game re the formation of the Mounts team, with stories circulating on the unavailability of certain players, and so it proved.

Neither Eric Thompson or Leon Wilson took the field and with the consequent re-shuffle of their team, they did appear to be a trifle dis-organised at times. John Ferguson moved into the backline and within the first minute very nearly scored a sensational own goal by back-passing to his keeper without first checking on his location, fortunately Davis recovered enough, seconds before Sokeni arrived.

Eight minutes in it was Ferguson again, who mis-kicked, the ball fell to Maelaua he went to the bye-line and crossed in to Marley, who was incredibly unmarked, and he picked his spot in the net to open the score.

Three minutes later the Mounts defence was all at sixes and sevens as three successive shots were kicked off their lines to keep Thistle at bay. The most productive forward for Mount Gravatt was John Reid who played deep on the left wing, he was one of the few players who did well for his side in the first half.

The midfield was well and truly sown up for Thistle by Messrs. Dolan, Mangan and Paterson. The Bohan brothers were forced to play very deep so consequently their attack sufered. On the halfway mark Maelaua again went to the bye-line and chipped across to Marley, he in turn nodded on to Dolan whose drive was well flicked over the bar by keeper Davis. Halftime G.T. 1-0

On the turn around it was patently obvious that coach Robins had told his players to get stuck in and take the game to Thistle, as they played with a lot more aggression and drive. The second half was only a few minutes old when Thistle's defence got themselves into a bit of bother. They failed to clear properly and lost the ball, Bev Bohan drove with the outside of his foot, it beat keeper Ferguson and skimmed off the cross-bar.

Thistle's John Paterson left the field for about five minutes when he appeared to suffer from a mild concussion after a clash of heads.

It was mainly Mt. Gravatt at this stage as they had everything to gain and nothing to lose, so the pressure they applied was quite fierce. During one of their forays down the left Reid was again prominent, he was moving through the left hand side of the penalty area when he was brought down and referee Kibler gave a penalty. Reid was slightly injured at the incident, and after treatment, took the penalty himself and duly scored passing his one-time team-mate John Ferguson.

This then put a little extra bite in the game with the scores all square. A few minutes later Lazenby got generous and proceeded to give the ball away, again it was Reid who was in the picture, Reid's subsequent shot just missed the uprights after he had beaten two players to get in his shot.

On the 20 minutes mark, Thistle had their game together again, and Paterson crossed deep into the box, Maelaua nodded back and Mangan blasted a certain goal homewards, but Davis was equal to the task and, again, tipped over the crossbar. From the subsequent corner, Paterson again, crossed, Marley nodded on and there was Maelaua to push home for Thistle's second goal that was almost a carbon copy of the first.

Russell Stewart, who was playing in his first full game in the State League side, got a trifle over aggressive in one of his tackles and was sent off for alleged kicking.

It was anybody's game at this stage as both teams were playing with heaps of fire, the Bohan's were doing their best but had little or no support up front when they were forced to come deep.

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Thistle almost sewed the game up completely when Marley broke free and squared a beautiful ball to Sokeni running free on the right, Sokeni went in too far and his shot was blocked, it fell free to Dolan who in turn chipped in but Costa had recovered enough to eventually clear properly.

Five minutes from the end Mount Gravatt had, what was to be their last chance, when Bev Bohan knocked in a deep ball from the left, it missed the Thistle de-

fence completely and Paul Yeuell tried a half volley which Ferguson saved.

So Thistle eventually defeated Mt. Gravatt this year for the first time. Time will tell whether they meet again this year, or whether it will be Mareeba in the Grand Final next week.

Teams:

Mt. Gravatt — Davis, Clark, Costa, B. Bohan, Ferguson, Yeuell, H. Stewart (Head 84), G. Bohan, Reid, P. Thompson, R. Stewart.

Grange Thistle — Ferguson, Aponas, Lazenby, Fagan, Dolan, Paterson, Mangan, Tripp, Maelaua, Marley, Sokeni (inj. K. Swan 84)

From the Eastern Suburbs

Both senior teams this week competed in the major semi-finals in their respective divisions. The Fifths took on minor premiers, Mitchelton, at Runcorn, while the Firts met Acacia Ridge at Perry Park. Due to the unusual kick-off time for the Firsts at Perry Park many supporters were unable to get to Runcorn, myself included.

I am told the Runcorn game was a pretty even affair and could have gone either way without surprising. The final result 2-1 in favour of Mitchelton was no disgrace to the Grimley Group. They now have one more game to play before the Grand Final against Mitchelton. That's what you call confidence, don't let me down.

I have been a bit critical in recent weeks of the Firsts and their apparent inability to put away chances. However, while I was being critical I failed to point out that since the second August they have (a) conceded only one goal, a penalty against Souths, and (b) won six and drawn one of the seven games they have played. Being critical of a side with that record does seem a bit ridiculous but what else could anyone who knows the writer expect.

On to Perry Park. Ken Bass for the umpteenth week in succession was unable to field the same team two weeks in a row. Two changes were necessary to the starting line-up as it had been the previous week, "Little Louis" came in at the back with "Digit" replacing the injured Mickey Sinn up front. It is worth mentioning at this stage that both played

well and will be hard to leave out of the Grand Final line-up.

The game developed early for Merton as almost directly from the kick off the ball found its way to the sartorially elegant Garry Thomas just outside the box. His swerving shot forced a save from the Ridge keeper resulting in a corner. Merton continued to apply pressure and the game was only three minutes old when a short passing movement between Bruce Rehbock, "Digit" and Angus Meikle left Angus in space allowing him to slip the ball beneath the advancing keeper to ring up first blood. One-nil up after three minutes with Merton continuing to apply pressure and it looked like a cricket score could result. After ten minutes Bruce Rehbock beat the keeper only to see the ball glance off the bar.

After this let off the Ridge regained some composure and started to do some attacking. One such raid almost resulted in some joy for them when Chris Carroll parried a shot only to see it roll menacingly towards the line, fortunately Rod Stein was able to tidy up and the Ridge bugler still didn't get the opportunity to give us a blast. Thankfully, after hearing his earlier renditions, he didn't get many opportunities for the remainder of the game either. Merton were in control for most of the first half, but, as has happened many times before they started to coast and this relaxation found them under heavy pressure for the last ten minutes of the half. Thanks to the rock solid back four their attacks seldom got them into the box and they were forced into long range speculators which made easy pickings for Chris Carroll. Half time saw us with a onenil lead after looking likely to get heaps in the early minutes.

The second half kick-off was delayed to allow the remaining half of the lights to be switched on. To avoid this the lights should have been switched on earlier as it was obvious that the fading light in the latter part of the first half was not making it easy, particularly for the keepers.

The second half saw the Merton lads again applying pressure and several chances were missed before a long raking ball from the defence found Bruce Rehbock with only one defender to beat. He did this in great style before shooting from about twenty five yards. His shot found the bottom right of the net with the goal-keeper well beaten. Two-nil.

Not to be outdone the Ridge came back strongly but again for the most part had to be satisfied with long range shots, many of which weren't on target anyway. They did cause many a Merton heart to pound midway through the half when a header rebounded off the bar to feet with the resultant attempt being scrambled away off the line by "Little Louis".

In the middle stages of this half Merton again appeared to relax a little and

allowed Ridge to get back into the game. Fortunately they weren't able to capitalise and Merton were able to regain control before the end. A refereeing error saved Ridge from further trouble when he blew up to give us a free kick when Angus Meikle was through with only the keeper to beat. This type of thing is of no advantage to the side receiving the free kick.

All in all the referee had a reasonable game. I didn't agree with a lot of his decisions but at least he was consistent. He pulled up both sides for similar type offences so things evened out. Probably the most consistent exhibition I've ever seen this year. Go to the top of the class Bill Monteverde.

By the time this article goes to print the Special General Meeting called to discuss a proposal to change the name of the club to Eastern Suburbs Soccer Club, will have been held and a decision made. Next week I will be able to advise what this decision was and elaborate on the reasons for the proposal. I may by then have to revert to the old alias, or, remove the query marks from the present one.

Tiger Two?????

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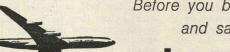




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RIDGE REPORTING MERTON FOIL RIDGE

Merton thoroughly deserved this 2-0 victory, not because they were the better team, but because they took their chances and took them well. They shook the Ridge in the 3rd minute when Angus Michaels picked up the ball just inside the box, he stood unchallenged to the 6 yard box and hit a good low shot past Ridge keeper Rob Farrow giving him no chance. 7 minutes later should have been back on terms when captain Cruick weaved his way around a couple of Merton players in the area. But his shot only found the side netting.

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2 minutes later it was Merton's turn when they hit the Ridge cross-bar with a shot from just outside the area. Sorry I did not pick-up the player.

The Ridge came more into the game after this. Although they did not really look like scoring as their attack lacked variety and was very flat and square, where as Merton who were using the long ball were just waiting for the Ridge defence to make one mistake and would have been in like Flint.

In the 43rd minute good work by Johnny Kean nearly resulted in a goal for the Ridge when he beat two defenders, pushed the ball under Chris Carroll, but unfortunately the ball was kicked away before he had a chance to get in his shot at goal.

Talking of Johnny Kean, he was giving the Merton defence a lot of problems in this half with some dazzling runs down the wing and because of this he received some pretty harsh treatment from the Merton defence.

With 15 minutes gone in the second half Merton struck again, this time a long clearance was mis-judged by sweeper Garth Wilson. Bruce Rehbock darted behind him, brought the ball down and hit a good shot past the out-stretched body of Ridge keeper Rob Farrow. In the 65th minute the Ridge went close with a free kick from Alan Hunter that sailed just over the cross-bar. A couple of minutes later the same player had a header cleared off the line.

With 13 minutes left the Ridge received a free kick just outside the area after Randall Jackson had been brought down, Bob Davis floated in the free which 'Big Al' met with, only to see his effort hit the cross-bar and be cleared away by the Merton defence which had played very soundly for most of the match. Fulltime A/R 0, Merton 2.

Congratulations Merton, on your win. You thoroughly deserved it and I just hope we can meet you in the final in a couple of weeks time.

Best players for the Ridge were Garth Wilson, Randall Jackson and Alan Hunter, at the back and Nev Cruickshanks and the evergreen Bobby Davis who had a tremendous game in the mid-field.

I understand from a reliable source that Merton offered Souths an 18 gallon keg last week-end if they beat the Ridge in the last round of fixtures. You should have told them fella's they were supposed to drink it after the game and not before. I would like to congratulate one of our senior players Jimmy Spence who is getting married next week-end to a charming young lady called Louise, "God help her".

From the club we wish you both the very best, and I don't mean that "club" Jim. I understand he is still playing for the Ridge against Mitchie as he has a couple of hours to spare in between the service and the reception.

Mike Collins.

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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	JOHN REID			
12	MAL BLAND			
13	JIM McINTYRE			
14	PHIL THOMPSON			
15	ERIC THOMPSON	1 0		
16	BRIAN HUDSON			

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- 2 BRIAN STOPFORD JULIO ARANCIO
- MICHAEL PIROVICH GEOFF MAYES
- IVOR SCHOFIELD
- RAY JUNNA
- MANUEL RUIZ
- STEVE TROVALUSCI
- PAUL TROVALUSCI
- LOU SERAFINI
- JOHN MALCOLM
- 14 DAVE WATSON
- MICK BOOT
- TED KRISTENS
- JOHN HARDAKER

16 BRIAN HUDSON

- RUSSELL STEWART
- ROBERT INNES
- PAUL McMAHON
- ROSS CORCORAN

Coach: FRED ROBINS

Coach: IVOR SCHOFIELD Results last year: 3-0, 3-1 Results this year: 5-0, 1-0

Ampol Cup Final Replay

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2.30 p.m., EBBW VALE

IPSWICH UNITED

- 1 GREG DONNELLY
- 2 IAN LAWRIE
- PETER NIELSEN
- WAYNE WARREN
- JEFF DANN
- STEVE DANN
- RANDALL MCKEAND
- RICHIE WILSON
- JOHN DANN
- BRYAN KATHAGE
- NEV O'SULLIVAN
- PETER BINNIE
- IAN HUMPHREYS
- MURRAY KITCHING
- BRETT KITCHING
- DAVE PERRETT
- JON KITCHING
- JOHN MILLER
- 20 MARK KORHECZ

Coach: AL WARREN

Sponsor: JACARANDA DAIRY Results last year: 1-3, 1-0

TOWNSVILLE KERN UNITED

- 1 PHIL FIGGINS
- 2 KEVIN JOHNSON
- KEITH ROYLE
- MARK SPIEGELHAUER
- 5 HUGH MONTGOMERY
- DALE WHALLEY
- 7 FRANK HOUSTON
- IAN BOYCE
- MICK GEOGHEGAN
- 10 TOM WALTON
- GORDON SIMPSON
- 13 GARY JOHNSON
- 14 CHRIS YOUNG
- 15 ANDY MADLINGER
- 16 JOHN BRUCE
- 17 MALCOLM TUTTLE
- 18 BOB LAWSON
- 19 GREG PATTEL
- 20 PETER LEATHER

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Results this year: 2-2, 0-1, 1-1

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Date	Opponents	Venue	Result	Goal Scorers
March 9 March 16 March 23 March 30 April 6 April 13 April 20 April 27 May 4 May 11 May 18 June 1 June 8 June 15 June 29 July 13 July 20 July 27 August 10 August 17 August 17 August 24 Sept. 7 Sept. 14 Sept. 21 October 5	West Adelaide Sydney City Blacktown City Leichhardt Brisbane Lions	Home Away Home Away Home Away Home Away Home Away Home Away Home Away Home Away Home Away Home Away Home Away Home	L 0-4 L 1-2 L 1-3 L 0-1 W 1-0 L 1-3 W 1-0 D 1-1 L 1-2 D 1-1 W 2-1 D 1-1	Caldwell Kelso Kelso Kelso Brusasco Palinkas Gaffney Kelso Hamilton McCluskey Potter, McCluskey Kelso Ratcliffe Hamilton Kelso 3, Ratcliffe, Low, Brusasco Conner 2, Kelso Ratcliffe Palinkas Ratcliffe Kelso

Queensland Soccer Federation

Preliminary State Soccer League Final

MT. GRAVATT and MAREEBA UNITED (City v Country)

PERRY PARK, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER, 27th, 1980 Kickoff at 8.00 p.m.

Curtain Raiser at 5.30 p.m.: First Division Preliminary Final

Acacia Ridge v Mitchelton

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The Ampol Cup Final Replay

Ipswich United v Townsville Kern United

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th, 1980, Ebbw Vale at 2.30 p.m. <u>*</u>

MITCHELTON SOCCER CLUB → DIAMOND JUBILEE ◆

WHILE preparations are being made to celebrate the Centenary of Soccer, Mitchelton, one of the oldest clubs in Brisbane, celebrates its Diamond Jubilee this year. Indications are that it started in 1916 through the efforts of some of the pioneering families of the district but, due to the War Years, was not officially registered as a club till 1920. Descendants of those families have ensured, by their standard of sport that very few of those 60 years has not had some representative player, Junior or Senior, emanate from this Club.

Some of the names recalled from those early days are Ernie Barlow, Bill Bowers, Dave Campbell, Eric Cresswell, Jack Edgar, Bill Gibson, Albert Green, George Green, Percy Green, Willie Laird, Tom Laird, Jack Pollard, Jack Silver, Ernie Westance and Bill Warrell.

Like many other pioneers they enjoyed their recreation and only needed a big enough, reasonably flat area minus trees and gullies and enthusiasm removed any other obstacles to it becoming a playing field. Bells Paddock, an Army campsite during World War I sufficed as a field in those days. On occasions when there was insufficient moonlight the solitary 75 watt security light at the back of Mitchelton Picture Theatre provided the illumination for night training. The very late '20's through the efforts and enthusiasm of Ernie Green, saw the emergence of the Black Diamonds who at one time played in Bowman's Paddock. This is presently part of Brookside Shopping Centre, but in those days was a cow paddock during the week but considerable back bending exercise each weekend transformed it into a football field. In 1930 this team broke the hold which Virginia had on the Y.M.C.A. Inter-Suburban Soccer Association Cup. It had been won by Virginia in 1928 and 1929, but the Black Diamonds won it in 1930, 1931 and 1932 and that Cup is still held by this Club.

The 1930 team (who had to make their own shirts) were Eric and Owen (Mucker) Gordon, Col Meade, Bill and Andy Laird, Eric Birtwell, Frank Nugent, Bill Jones, Cec and Roy Reid, Bill Lincoln and Dave Fairweather — George Green was Coach; Andy Dixon, Manager and Alf Green was Mascot.

On another occasion a meeting called by Fred Gray, his father and George Green, held on the footpath under a convenient street light produced a team of youngsters who played Junior Minor, graduated to Junior, were interrupted by World War II, reassembled (in their late 20's and early 30's) in 1947 as Juniors and graduated to Senior (Third Division) in 1948. They won the Premiership, John Fern Cup and McGregor Cup and only lost one game, scored 90 goals in the Premiership and conceded 14 for a total of 39 points.

The combined goal total of the First and Second Division Premiers that year was 94. Three of the members of the 1930 team, Tom Kenward, Col Meade and Cec Reid combined to form the 1948 team with Harry Gray, Billy Sharman, Vince Smart, Eddie, Bob and Carson Laird (Vice-Capt.), Dick Martin, Arthur Crane, Eric Birtwell, Bill Bain, Tom Wood (Capt.), Malcolm Campbell, Charlie Hensler, Bill Warrell (Treas.) George Green (Life Member), Fred Gray (Sec.), Fred Green (Patron), Clarrie Drake (Coach-Trainer) and John Laird as Mascot. Their record within the Club stood for 11 years until the 1959 team won the Third Division Premiership, the Second Round Cup and the Knockout Cup undefeated.

Other names recalled from the 1930's are Gordon Morey, Syd Layton, Roy Charrington, Harry Collins, Frank and Jack Bowman and Wally Kenward.

Some of the names which have been synonymous with Mitchelton Club are Jim Docherty, John Free, Vic Marshall, Stockdales, McJannetts and Fred Gray and Tom Jones, while the Lairds (Willie, Bob, Tom, Carson, Andy, Bill, Bob, Eddie, Matthew, John Grahame and Shane); and the Greens (Albert, George, Percy, Fred, Brian, Doug, Merv, Ernie, Keith, Gary, Robert and Ken) - twelve of each family -have ensured there has always been some of their members active in the Club. Individual records are those of George Lincoln and Carson Laird who are both Life Members and have been members for 56 years and 51 years respectively while two brothers, Grahame and Peter Morey, have, apart from short breaks

away from Brisbane, each played for over 20 years and still playing regularly.

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In its first year as a First Division Club Mitchelton won the First Division Grand Final, the Sixth Division Premiership and Grand Final and the Eighth Division team reached the semi-finals of the Championship rounds.

As this is their Diamond Jubilee year the Club is hoping for a grand re-union at their Annual Dinner Dance and Presentation Night at the Gaythorne R.S.L. Club on Friday 17th October at 7.30 p.m. and would like to hear from anyone interested in attending to make it a bumper occasion. They also desire to compile a complete history and would appreciate contact from anyone who may have any material which may assist in this regard. Any enquiries should be made to Andy Thompson at P.O. Box 249 Everton Park 4053 or by phone on 355 3971 (home) or 354 1499 (club).

Andy Thompson

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- 15 Goals Jamie Paton (Heidelberg Utd.)
- 13 Goals Eddie Krncevic (Marconi)
- 12 Goals —
 John Nyskohus (Adelaide City)
- 11 Goals Kenny Boden (Sydney City) Dennis Duarte (St. George)
- 10 Goals —
 Branko Buljevic (Sth. Melbourne)
 Phil O'Connor (Leichhardt)
 Murray Barnes (Sydney City)
- 9 Goals —
 Barry Kelso (Brisbane City)
 Paul Wilkinson (Blacktown City)
- 8 Goals —
 Ron Millman (Brisbane Lions)
 Graham Heys (Newcastle Utd.)
 Terry Byrne (Canberra City)
 Alun Evans (Sth. Melbourne)
 John Stevenson (Sydney City)
 Colin Barnes (Adelaide City)

LETTER TO THE

Dear Sir,

There seems to be a lot of controversy regarding PSL summer fixtures. One argument against, is that in Brisbane at that time of year it is too hot, even in the evening, for football.

The following table of mean temperatures is from figures supplied by the Brisbane Weather Bureau and may be of interest to your readers.

Ath.	Temp.	°C	Mth.	Temp	o. °C
	3 p.m. 4			8 p.m.	9 p.m.
Mar.	26.3	25.8	Oct.	20.5	18.4
Apr.	24.9	24.3	Nov.	22.2	21.4
May	22.1	21.4	Dec.	23.3	23.0
un.	20.2	19.5	Jan.	24.2	23.0
uly	19.4	18.7	Feb.	24.3	23.8
Aug.	20.6	20.0	Mar.	23.1	22.7
Sep.	22.5	21.8	Apr.	21.4	20.9
Jep.	22.3	21.0	May	18.5	18.0

Yours Faithfully, D. C. Marshall

OVER THE RANGE

Wynnum wrecked any chances of Samford making the final 4. The Rangers were confident of another victory against Wynnum, but were overcome by a crushing defeat of 4-0.

The first half opened with fast attacking football from Wynnum. It took Samford all they had to prevent any scoring. A well engineered offside trap held Wynnum until just before half-time when the defence was penetrated and a runaway goal was scored.

With assistance of the wind in the second half, Wynnum planted an attacking onslaught. A good game by Mike Smareglia in goals prevented it from becoming a cricket score. This is my last report for 1980.

I would like to congratulate Acacia Ridge, Bardon, Annerley and Woodridge. It has been a great season with some very exciting games and I will look forward to coming back next season.

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Physiotherapist

John, the gentle giant of Thistle has been associated with the club since the State League competition started. He's Australian, having been born in Brisbane, and spent his training in this fair State, at the University of Queensland.

He has worked in sports clinics throughout Australia as well as spending a certain amount of time in England.

John is a member of the Australian Sports Medicine Federation and is a staunch supporter of qualified people being with all football teams.

He has played three codes of football during his youth but is now completely converted to soccer. During his activities in Sports medicine in Brisbane he has been associated with Wests R.L. as well as the Queensland R.L., so no-one can say he doesn't know what he's talking about with regards to football injuries and the subsequent care required.

He owns and runs a private practice in Clayfield where many of Thistle's players can be seen "visiting", many of our juniors also visit John to enable them to keep playing with a minimum amount of lost time.

John's main ambition is to see Thistle playing PSL in the near future. His main aim is to ensure that Thistle's players receive the very best possible medical care available, and with the amount of time that players have been absent this year, it would appear that that is one aim that is fulfilled.

Thistle's entrant in the Miss Soccer Quest, Roslyn Judkins is holding a gala Dinner Dance next Friday, October 3, starting at 7.00 p.m. Tickets are only \$7.00 each with a good time guaranteed. Frank Eden on 59 0309 can help with supply of tickets.

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The senior section of the club is once more looking to tour the Solomons at the end of the season, following the enormous success of the tour undertaken last year. They envisage going during the end of October and about three or four matches will be played. It was during the corresponding tour last year that Wilson Maelaua and Ben Sokeni caught the eye of George Pagan and came to Brisbane to play for the 1980 season.

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October is proving to be a busy month for the club as we have Roslyn's dinner at the beginning of October, on the 18th is the juniors break-up and presentation day, and at the end of the month is the Club's Annual dinner dance and presentation night.

This year the Dinner will be held in our Club-house, naturally, and it will be a truly gala night.

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The entrance to Lanham Park is starting to look a picture with the landscaping that is taking place. The once barren spaces are now looking quite picturesque with a rockery complete with trees and shrubs now adorning the gateway. By the end of the year we hope to have the entire front section looking the same way. Work is also in progress on the upgrading of the parking space on the surounds to the main field with the levelling of all the fill that has been deposited there during the course of the year. By the time next season comes around we feel the landscaping will be second to none at a football ground.

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Our 6th Division played their major semi last weekend also and won their way into the Grand Final by defeating The Gap 1-0. So next weekend we will have two teams from the club contesting Finals in the same weekend. I wonder if there will be much sleep on Saturday and Sunday nights next week . . .

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OVERSEAS NEWS

LONDON — Brian Clough's speculations on the Soccer transfer market may have alarmed the Nottingham Forest bank manager but they have reaped rich dividends in terms of trophies.

Clough has invested a staggering 3,520,000 sterling (7.25 million Aust. dollars) to build his present squad, but that will be money well spent if Forest can extend their two-year monopoly of the European Cup which begins on Wednesday.

The holders go into their first round first leg tie with CSKA Sofia in Bulgaria in the knowledge that if money can guarantee success the impressive champions' trophy will be theirs for a third successive time.

Forest will be without injured, one million sterling (2.06 million Aust. dollars) striker Trevor Francis, but their likely line-up will be far from impoverished. His replacement, Scottish international Ian Wallace, was signed from Coventry for 1.25 million sterling (2.57 million Aust. dollars.)

Wallace will be joined in the attack by two bargain buys, fellow Scot John Robertson and England international Garry Birtles both of whom cost Forest virtually nothing.

At present day prices Clough will no doubt feel the remainder of his squad also comes into the bargain range.

Goalkeeper Peter Shilton, widely regarded as one of the best in the world, was snapped up for a paltry 270,000 sterling (556.000 Aust. dollars) while defenders Larry Lloyd, Dave Needham and Kenny Burns cost a total 350,000 sterling (721,000 Aust. dollars).

Scottish international full-back Frank Gray at 4,000,000 Sterling (824,000 Aust. dollars) is the third most expensive players on the staff while Swiss Raimondo Ponte looks another bargain at 250,000 sterling (515,000 Aust. dollars).

Liverpool, England's other representatives in the European Cup as League champions, are not far behind Forest in the money table. Manager Bob Paisley and his predecessor Bill Shankly have spent 2,632,000 sterling (5.4 million Aust. dollars) over the years.

Only Jimmy Case and Phil Thompson of the recognised first team joined Liverpool straight from school, but Shankly can still feel well satisfied with his 10,000 sterling (20,600 dollars) gamble which took unknown Scunthorpe goal-

keeper Ray Clemence, later caped 51 times, to Anfield.

Liverpool, European Cup winners in 1977 and 1978, will be eager to thwart Forest's ambitions and with 440,000 sterling (906,000 Aust. dollars) Scottish International striker Kenny Dalglish in top form they should experience little difficulty in building a substantial first leg lead against Oulun Palloseura in Finland.

Spanish champions Real Madrid, winners of the trophy six times, have also spent freely, running up a transfer bill of 2,030,000 sterling (4.18 million Aust. dollars).

England International Laurie Cunningham is their chief extravagence at a cost of 800,000 sterling (1.6 million Aust. dollars) from West Bromwich.

Real, who meet Irish Club Limerick in Madrid, should certainly reach the latter stages of the tournament, but their chances of a seventh success could depend on West Germany sweeper Ulie Stielike, who played such a major role in his country's European Championship victory in Italy earlier this summer.

The West Geran champions, Bayern Munich, will field a 1,619,000 sterling (3.34 million Aust. dollars) team as they chase their fourth win in this tournament.

Paul Breitner, hero of the 1974 World Cup, is their biggest buy at 355,000 sterling (731,000 Aust. dollars), but potential match winner Karl-Heinz Rumminigge, who joined as a youth, did not cost the club one penny.

Bayern begin their campaign with a journey to Greece to face Olympiakos and should do enough to make the return a formality.

Ajax of the Netherlands, who are also chasing the trophy for the fourth time, start with a hazardous trip to Albania to play Dinamo Tirana. The Ajax squad, which cost a mere 702,000 sterling (1.4 million Aust. dollars) should clear that hurdle, but they may be pushed to equal last season's achievement of reaching the semi-finals.



Philips League Standings

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Sydney City	25	15	5	5	47	25	35
Heidelberg Utd	25	14	6	5	54	33	34
Sth. Melbourne	25	15	4	6	42	21	34
Marconi	25	13	6	6	52	32	32
Newcastle Utd.	25	12	5	8	32	31	29
Adelaide City	25	12	4	9	38	26	28
Brisbane Lions	25	7	11	7	28	31	25
Leichhardt	25	8	6	11	27	35	22
Footscray	25	7	8	10	32	41	22
Blacktown City	25	9	3	13	33	53	31
Canberra City	25	7	6	12	33	32	20
Brisbane City	25	4	9	12	28	35	17
West Adelaide	25	7	3	15	24	45	17
St. George	25	5	4	16	31	61	14

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MARCONI MURDERED

GO SOCCER

SYDNEY — Marconi slumped to a shattering 4-1 defeat at the hands of premiership chasing South Melbourne at Marconi Oval.

The home side had no answer throughout the match to the superior teamwork and skills of their Melbourne visitors.

Loose passing and poor positional play dominated in the Marconi team all day and they lacked the rythm and determination necessary to create sound chances.

South Melbourne went to the lead in the 13th minute when a pass from Alan Davidson found an unmarked Alun Evans only a few metres from goal.

So inept was the Marconi build up and teamwork that it was not until the 29th minute that they had their first shot at goal but an in-form Peter Laumets saved brilliantly from Peter Brogan.

Marconi eventually gained the equaliser in the 34th minute when Mark Jankovics rushed the ball home from a corner.

Marconi might have gone to an undeserved lead before the interval but Steve Blair cleared a certain goal off the line in the 42nd minute.

The inclusion of Roberto Vieri in the Marconi midfield after the interval did little to improve their play and it was no surprise when South Melbourne hit the front in the 53rd minute with a thunderous 25-metre drive from Duncan Cummings.

Marconi were unable to lift their game sufficiently to pressure the South Melbourne defence to any degree but their own defence always looked shaky on the quick South Melbourne counter attacks.

From two such counter attacks in the 73rd and 78th minutes, Branko Buljevic should have put South Melbourne further into the lead but with only the goal-keeper to beat he fiddled around and lost the ball.

With two minutes to go, Cummings crossed accurately to Evans who slotted the ball home neatly for his second goal and in the 90th minute with the Marconi defence still in ruins, Cummings added his second goal.



Philips League

MATCH OF THE DAY



BRISBANE CITY

- 1 KIM WISHART
- 2 GEORGE POTTER
- 3 DAVID RATCLIFFE
- 4 PETER TOKESI
- 5 STEVE PERRY
- 6 LARRY GAFFNEY
- 7 JOE PALINKAS
- 8 FRANK PIMBLETT
- 9 WILLIE CONNER
- 10 KEVIN LOW
- 11 KEVIN CALDWELL
- 12 BARRY KELSO
- 13 MARK BRUSASCO
- 14 BOBBY HAMILTON
- 17 BILLY WILKINSON
- 18 DAVID VINCENZINO
- 19 DOMINIC CONFESSORE
- 20 MARTIN COE

Coach: GEORGE POTTER



BARRY KELSO (Brisbane City)



CANBERRA CITY

- 2 DANNY MOULIS
- 3 MIKE MILOVANOVIC
- 4 ROBERT O'SHEA
- 5 HARRY WILLIAMS
- 6 TERRY BYRNE
- 7 DON McLAREN
- 8 JOHN O'SHEA
- 9 SEBASTIAN GIAMPAOLO
- 10 WALTER VALERI
- 11 TONY BRENNAN
- 13 MIKE O'SHEA
- 14 ISAAC FARRELL
- 15 ROY STARK
- 17 PHIL REIS
- 18 DUNCAN COLE
- 20 RICHARD WILSON

Coach: JOHN BROWN

Next Week's Matches

Sunday, October 5, Perry Park, State League, first and second division grand finals.

Today's Other Matches

Heidelberg Utd.... v Brisbane Lions...
South Melbourne v Newcastle Utd....
West Adelaide v Marconi
Sydney City v St. George
Blacktown City v Adelaide City....
Leichhardt v Footscray.....

Previous Results

1977 —
Canberra 2 v City 0; City 0 v Canberra 1
1978 —
Canberra 4 v City 0; City 1 v Canberra 0
1979 —
Canberra 0 v City 0; City 0 v Canberra 1
1980 —
Canberra 1 v City 1