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MONDAY NIGHT SOCCER ACTION



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Go Soccer columnist, Eric Thompson, recently made some hard-hitting comments about the recent Queensland-Fiji promotion and came to the conclusion that soccer followers were not attracted by the match and wanted to see big-name opposition. Below, the Queensland Soccer Federation puts forward its points of view:

Eric Thompson is an official with the game at heart, but the negative aspects of his recent article were disturbing. Some points he made were ill-informed, while others were somewhat surprising.

In relation to the timing of the Fiji matches, the arrangements were made in 1985 during Queensland's tour of Fiji. It was agreed then by both federations that the same pattern of matches adopted in Fiji (two tests and a regional game) would apply on their tour of Queensland. The first half performance of the Fijians in the second match was similar to that we encountered in Fiji and were expecting this time. Their attacking style of football is anything but boring.

It is also incorrect that we look for opponents our state team can



Action from Queensland's opening match against Fiji.

beat. It is our intention to look for opponents that provide the paying public with a competitive and entertaining match. Furthermore, visits by glamour European teams are now big-budget business affairs, if they agree to come to Australia. And sadly very few clubs will now agree to a tour down under as they can make a shorter and much more profitable tour to the Middle East or South-East Asia.

But perhaps the most surprising comment in Eric's column was that which suggests soccer followers in Queensland do not go to see the Maroons win, rather they are more interested in quality opposition. Is that suggesting that players under Eric's control are not attractive enough for the local soccer follower? Martin Kirsopp for example is an exciting player, to suggest we should go along and watch his opposition as opposed to watching and supporting Martin is a very difficult comment to understand.

Finally, the matter of double-headers is idealistic rather than realistic in today's football climate. Eric is correct to suggest the code should come first, but has he asked the opinion of his club president? what would Paul Lonton's attitude be in the event of Mount Gravatt featuring high in the point table and therefore required to play perhaps three or four games at soccer headquarters. The reply would be interesting.

What do you think about the points raised by both Eric Thompson and the QSF? Go Soccer is keen to discover the opinions of soccer followers on the following points?

Do you want to watch the Queensland team play regularly?

Do you go to representative matches to watch the Maroons or the opposition?

Do you think we should play teams from Oceania region?

Would you pay in excess of \$12 a ticket which would be needed to cover the costs of

a visit by Liverpool, Manchester United or Juventus?

What team would you most like to see play at Perry Park?

Send your answers, and any other opinions on the promotion of Queensland soccer, to: GO SOCCER, 26 Cornubia Street, Loganholme, 4129. We will collate the answers and publish them in a forthcoming edition.



Brett Druery (centre) in action against Jason Burns (left) and Bevan Bohan from during the XXXX pre-season tournament.

EXPERIMENTING WITH MONDAY NIGHT SOCCER

The Queensland Soccer Federation will embark on a three-week Monday night football experiment from next week.

The opening Monday night match will be an 8.30 p.m. clash between Easts and Grange Thistle. The following week will see Redlands play Coalstars while the third Monday night game will be between Taringa and Redlands.

The QSF management committee opted for the experiment in an attempt to find the timeslots which best suited the Brisbane sporting public.

"We have tried Friday and Saturday nights and we have had matches on Wednesday evenings. We believe a lot of people are looking for something to do on a Monday night so it was decided to schedule some matches at Perry Park and gauge the response," said QSF Secretary Alan Vessey.

The scheduling of further matches on Monday night will depend on the success of the experiment.

Monday night football has been a huge hit in the Sydney Rugby League competition, although the match features live television coverage.

"From a media promotion point of view, the Monday night game won't be competing against our own week-

end matches and other sporting events for space and attention. We are not putting this forward as the all encompassing answer, it is simply an experiment which we hope will be supported by the public."

The boost for players is that they will get a free weekend prior to their Monday fixture, which has been greeted enthusiastically, particularly among players with families. The night's programme also will feature a Reserves curtain raiser, kicking off at 6.30 p.m.

POINTS TO PONDER...

A recent article in a Sydney newspaper branded a group of Australian coaches as "the Pommie Mafia". The article implied that Queensland's Bruce Stowell and former Queenslander Ron Smith, now head coach at the AIS, were among the group. In their defence, here is another view, published last week in a Melbourne newspaper...

If, in fact, the "Pommie Mafia" does rule Australian soccer, it must exert a tremendous amount of pressure from well behind the scenes.

Let's try the Australian Soccer Federation to begin with. The president is Sir Arthur George, indisputably the most influential man in the game at the moment. He is Greek.

Other members of his executive have included Mr. Papasavas, Mr. Weinstein, Mr. Labbozetta, Mr. Constantine, Mr. Carapetis, Mr. Kovac and Mr. Brusasco.

The West End National Soccer League is chaired by Mr. Papasavas, who is backed by Mr. Labbozetta, Mr. Kovac, Mr. Constantine, Mr. Carapetis, Mr. Weinstein and Mr. Bordacs.

Executive director of the league is Mr. Kamasz. The national coach is Mr. Arok and the national youth coach is Mr. Scheinflug. Apart from Mr. Kamasz, who was raised in England, none of the above have any ties, physical or otherwise, with Britain.

FRONT COVER: Coalstars keeper Kim Wishart saves a shot from Easts' Jim McDonagh. The pair will be in action in Monday night football at Perry Park over the next two weeks.

GO SOCCER EDITORIAL

By Editor, GEOFF STEAD

Next week Queensland soccer experiments for the first time with Monday night football. And fans owe it to themselves and the game to give it a go.

The QSF management committee opted for the trial in a bid to avoid matches clashing with each other, and to allow soccer followers to see as many teams as possible. They were prompted by the huge success of Monday night football in Sydney Rugby League and feedback which indicated Monday night, for many, was a quiet, event-free evening.

The scheduling of matches on Monday night also gives the media a separate game to cover in a timeslot which is traditionally a sports news void.

But the whole experiment will fall flat if fans choose to adopt their often seen lethargy and disinterest by staying at home. Soccer is the first football code in Brisbane to try the early week timeslot which gives us the opportunity to make it ours.

If we are seen to have big crowds turning out on Monday nights, then it could become known as "the soccer night". Sometime down the road, if the experiment is properly supported, there could even be television coverage.

But nothing will look worse to a potential sponsor or a prominent

media representative than to drive past Perry Park on Monday night and see only a token crowd, mainly of wives and girlfriends.

Irrespective of which teams are playing at Soccer headquarters, interest in the code should be high enough for all supporters to attend. This is an opportunity for soccer to help itself. The experiment should not be wasted.

In future seasons, the management committee should look at postponing lower division fixtures over the Easter break.

For continuity, it is understandable that the XXXX League and perhaps the Second Division should proceed. But how many teams in the lower divisions last weekend found themselves short of players because of Easter arrangements?

Many players in the lower divisions participate for the social aspect and the enjoyment of the game. It seems silly then to force them into awkward decisions or to disrupt family holidays, surely the Easter matches could be picked up mid-week or during a weekend later in the season.

ACROSS MY DESK . . .

By QSF Secretary, ALAN VESSEY

The first royalty returns of the season from QSF marketing-endorsed products are due later this month and it is apparent many clubs have realised what the concept can do for soccer.

Indications from endorsed suppliers are that the response from clubs and affiliates this season has been very good and it would not surprise if the royalties surpassed those received for the same period last year. The reason for this is that the clubs and affiliates have stuck to the policy of purchasing only endorsed products. And it should be remembered that any new equipment purchased from now on must be endorsed, in accordance with the QSF constitution.

But the entire concept is to help the clubs and affiliates. QSF Marketing is always keen to improve the system. While the more quantity of

goods we buy will increase returns, QSF Marketing is also interested in quality and is keen to get feedback from clubs and affiliates on their purchased endorsed products. Similarly, if any club has difficulty in obtaining any endorsed product or has any queries in relation to QSF Marketing, they are urged to contact the federation office at Perry Park.

The concept is simple — by buying endorsed products, we generate revenue for soccer from our goods of necessity. It makes simple sense to buy right.

Eric Thompson



IT'S THOMMO TALKING

The manner in which Charlie Perkins got onto the ASF Executive may have been a little unsavoury, but after hearing the man's thoughts last week I think we could be on a winner.

Perkins appeared on the SBS programme "On the Ball" and in just a short interview he not only touched on countless problems in Australian soccer, but he also offered workable and exciting solutions.

Two things which stood out in my mind were his plans for a management consultant for Australian soccer and a re-assessment of the role of the Australian Institute of Sport.

The appointment of a consultant has a lot of merit and is badly needed. I think we take for granted that anyone who gets into a position of authority in a club, in a state federation or in a national body has all the answers.

Unfortunately that is not the case, but at the moment there is often no-one they can turn to for advice or ideas on a perplexing problem. At the same time we often seem to be pulling in different directions and if a uniform plan can be put up by a consultant, we might start getting somewhere.

Perkins wants the AIS to become an elite soccer school — but not just for players.

He believes it should be a coaching complex for administrators and coaches as well. Just like players, they need to learn the latest methods as well as having their basic skills honed. If the AIS can begin producing elite quality players, coaches and administrators, then they can go back onto the system to raise the overall standard of Australian soccer.

They're all good ideas and I think Perkins can get them done. He's proved over the years that he's not foreign to a challenge or a fight — and I think there will be a few of them in the ASF arena over the coming 18 months.

It seems Lions' bid to gain a place in the National League has been conveniently pushed into the too-hard basket by southern officials.

The whole matter was a disgrace and Sydney City have done a grave

injustice to Lions. The Sydney club obviously had decided months ago that they weren't going to see the season out. Eddie Thomson wouldn't sell his used socks, let alone his three best players a week before the season started.

But it seems to me that the further we get away from last year's final selection criteria figures, the less weight they will carry in Lions' bid for automatic promotion.

It seems the QSF and I have differing views on the Queensland team and the opposition it should play.

I had a very amicable chat with QSF secretary Alan Vessey last weekend and I can see the Federation's point of view and some of the obstacles it faces in organising games. Who is right is unimportant. What is vital is that the correct assessment of what soccer and sports followers in Brisbane want to see is discovered and we start heading in that direction.

On that point I urge everyone to answer the questions in the survey on page 2.

I have never used this column to promote my own club, but I feel I have to make mention of the tremendous crowd at Mount Gravatt last Sunday for our match with Coalstars.

The huge turnout showed that Dittmer Park can generate an exciting atmosphere and it will be better when the clubhouse is up. The slab went down this week. All I can say to those terrific supporters who turned out on Easter Sunday is come back please!

Marty Kirsopp is Queensland soccer's hottest promotion property at the moment and over the next few weeks we hope to get him into schools on the southside.

Any schoolboys who read this should listen for when Marty comes to their school and attend his coaching clinic. Hopefully other clubs can start doing similar things in their own areas and soccer can make a big inroad into school sport.

JUVENTUS TRIDENT SNIPPETS

By 'The Prong'

SECOND DIVISION:

Although the goals were scored in the first half, the entire match was action packed. The Juventus Trident forwards put the Acacia Ridge defence under pressure from the start and they were never given the time to settle. The main harasser was Enzo Cupo, who chased for everything. From a Cupo-won corner Noel Greenhalgh rose magnificently to head a superb goal. Acacia Ridge showed its fighting spirit to

LETTER . . .

Dear Sir,

After reading the last two editions of Go Soccer, I was nominated to write this letter on behalf of a group of young soccer supporters. The answer why us, and probably many other soccer supporters, did not attend the recent Fiji matches was not because we did not want to support Queensland, but because we did not want to pay money to watch nearly the whole Lions team play. Bruce Stowell should look around at other players, especially the talented youngsters. State teams should represent the cream of our players. We all know Mr. Stowell attends various games as we see him in his deck chair, but is he concentrating more on his suntan rather than the game?

The supporters would come and support the (Queensland) team if a player or players from their club's were chosen. In Brisbane alone, there's about 20 top division sides around and we have a Queensland side "ready made" from Lions. Also to encourage others, why not have a curtain-raiser featuring a young Queensland side showing what we have to offer. There are many talented youngsters like Jarrod Austin, Damien Butler, James Hermiston, Alfie Catalano and Brian MacNicol to name only a few who would have definitely added spice to our Queensland side, let alone put on a brilliant curtain raiser.

The QSF and Bruce Stowell cannot use the old cliché "they don't have any experience" because they can only gain experience by being given the chance to perform. We know that we'd all rather look to the future than linger on in the past with household names such as Frank Liddell and Alan Niven. Sure they were great players, but for the sake of Queensland soccer, we must look ahead now. **Worried Young Supporters**

come back with a 20m John Gillespie shot which dipped over John Gorza.

Juventus Trident continued to battle and a superb movement, started by Dave "Doog" Melia and featuring among many others, Tony Iovenitti, ended when an unmarked Peter Carey scored into the lefthand corner of the net. Juventus Trident were unlucky not to go further ahead when Graham Ross made last ditch saves, first from Carey and then Shane Rideout, who made a solo run from his own half. Sam Dean was also unlucky not to score on one of his overlapping runs. Overall it was a good team effort that produced a result, and if the boys take the next fixture with the same attitude and commitment, I can't see any team beating them.

RESERVES:

This was a disaster fixture for Juventus Trident who were not in the hunt. The Ridge team appeared a well drilled side and their three goal drubbing of Juventus Trident was well deserved.

TOOWONG NOTES

By the Phoenix

The Division 5 side continued its improvement with a 1-1 draw against Griffith University. Toowong fell behind in the first half but came back strongly and almost snatched a win 10 seconds from full-time when a Nigel Wood shot hit the post. Toowong's first-half equaliser came when Neil O'Connor-Cox, who had an excellent game, made a good run and provided a cross put away by Greg Malone. Toowong took about 35 minutes to settle down but produced some good moves in an improved second half performance.

A below-strength Division 7 side went down 3-2, also to Griffith. After Griffith scored early, Toowong equalised in unusual circumstances when the official referee awarded a direct free kick inside the penalty area and Tony Green reacted quickly to slot home his shot before the defence had time to organise. Coach Gary Bray, pressed into action because of the player shortage, put Toowong in front with a well-taken angled shot but Griffith equalised with a penalty and scored a late winner, also from the spot.

GO SOCCER PROFILES

CALVIN DAUNT



Name: Calvin Glenn Daunt
Age: 25
Birthplace: Brisbane
Height and weight: 192 cm, 85 kg
Occupation: Dispatch Manager
Marital status: married to Joyce
Nickname: Snags
Favourite food: Roast dinner
Favourite TV show: any sport programme
Favourite Music: Whitney Houston
Hobbies and other sporting interests: Relaxing at home, golf, tennis, cricket
Previous clubs: Oxley, Lions, Ipswich United (on loan)
Representative honours: Queensland juniors, State under 16, under 19, Queensland seniors, Australian under 19's.
Biggest influence on career: Iain Kesson, Joe Gilroy.
Highlight of career: Australian selection, playing and scoring in the 1981 Philips Cup final.
Biggest playing disappointment: missing the cut for the Australian team for the 1981 World Youth championships.
Favourite overseas player: Ian Rush (Liverpool-Juventus)
Brisbane player you respect the most: John Stewart (Lio.) Jim McDonagh (Eas.)
Best thing about Qld soccer: the chance for young players to come through the clubs.
Worst thing about Qld soccer: poor crowds

BRIAN MacNICOL



Name: Brian MacNicol
Age: 18
Birthplace: Oban, Scotland
Height and weight: 5'11", 12 stone
Occupation: apprentice carpenter
Marital status: single
Nickname: Larry
Favourite food: Chinese food
Favourite TV Show: The Cosby Show
Favourite music: Eurythmics, Lionel Ritchie
Hobbies and other sporting interests: Golf, surfing
Previous clubs: Rochedale, Mt. Gravatt
Representative honours: Queensland youth team, Brisbane South and Q'land juniors.
Biggest influence on career: my father, Drew Jarvie (St. Mirren)
Highlight of career: playing for St. Mirren under 18's against Fort William
Biggest playing disappointment: missing out on the Australian youth squad
Favourite overseas player: Glenn Hoddle (Tottenham)
Brisbane player you respect the most: David Costa (Mt. Gravatt)
Best thing about Qld soccer: playing in good weather
Worst thing about Qld soccer: no crowds

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CROATIA GO TO THE TOP

Croatia moved to the top of the Second Division after an Easter Monday 2-0 win over Inala City. It was obvious from the kick-off that this would be a hard fought battle. There were some hard tackles and the referee didn't help the situation with everything going against Croatia. Players became frustrated with some of the decisions and in the 20th minute goalkeeper Brett Beves was shown the yellow card for just questioning a decision.

A huge crowd of Croatian supporters encouraged their team but the first half ended scoreless. The Croatia players looked tired and exhausted and some Croatia supporter would have been satisfied to end the game then and take the point. But in the dressing rooms other plans were in making. Mile Matesic was to replace Ivica Damir, who despite injury, displayed some brilliant ball control and skills. Captain Mark Atmore was instructed to settle down the play and keep possession in order to wear down the opposition.

At the beginning of the second half, Croatia looked good and were able to create more chances and have more shots on goal. Atmore, George Caird and Mick Gerritsen were working well and in the 65th minute Atmore sent Caird down the left wing. He forced his way into the box beating of two defenders before shooting into the net. The supporters went wild and the players responded. Suddenly it looked like Inala City had given up. Croatia went on creating more and more opportunities and the Inala defence panicked.

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MITCHELTON STABLETALK

At the outset I have to say that there must be a way the QSF can schedule fixtures so that there is no need to play over the Easter weekend. We have three long weekends in eight with fixtures scheduled on them all. Surely one lot could be scheduled as midweek night games. Incidentally, I estimated that the members of one team collectively travelled 1000 miles to be at their game last weekend.

RESERVES:

A bad back pass in the 9th minute got them going. Then a good switch in the 33rd minute found them onside and 2-0 up. Five minutes before lemons, a well saved penalty was re-taken for a 0-3 halftime score. They scored twice in the first 15 minutes of the second half. For the record this was not our regular team, but even so, we did not play very well.

SECOND DIVISION:

We did not deserve to lose this game, but with only 10 men for all but two minutes of the second half, the pressure was too great. A good ball to Garth Jones in the 9th minute saw him beat the defence and curl one around Dave Mewburn. Eleven minutes later a long shot took Ian Walsh by surprise. We had to replace a player four minutes

later from heat exhaustion with a replacement from the previous game. Six minutes before lemons, Jones made it 2-1 with a well hit 25-yard freekick. Then we lost our sweeper in what most thought was an accidental incident. But we did not lose our spirit. A top effort by Peter Comino in the 63rd minute gave Garth Moloney a welcome chance and he made it 3-1, only to have them pull one back five minutes later. Then he put us further ahead six minutes later only to have them compensate from a penalty after another six minutes. Comino went down injured four minutes later after winning the ball and they got away to equalise 4-4. Garth Jones was unlucky not to put us back in front when his shot from the left rebounded into play off the inside of the top corner of the far post. Two minutes into injury time, they put away the winner.

WHAT THE EXPERTS THINK . . .

MATCH	GEOFF STEAD	JUSTIN COOMBER	FLOYD NANGREAVE	MARK BRIGDEN
XXXX LEAGUE				
North Star v Redlands	NORTH STAR	NORTH STAR	NORTH STAR	NORTH STAR
Coalstars v Olympic Utd.	COALSTARS	COALSTARS	COALSTARS	COALSTARS
Taringa R. v Mt. Gravatt	MT. GRAVATT	DRAW	MT. GRAVATT	TARINGA R.
Lions v Ipswich Utd.	LIONS	LIONS	LIONS	LIONS
East v Grange Thistle	EASTS	DRAW	DRAW	DRAW
Rochedale R. v Azzurri	AZZURRI	AZZURRI	AZZURRI	AZZURRI
DIVISION TWO				
Newmarket v Wynnum	WYNNUM	WYNNUM	WYNNUM	WYNNUM
Croatia v Annerley	CROATIA	CROATIA	ANNERLEY	CROATIA
Goodna v Inala C.	DRAW	INALA C.	INALA C.	INALA C.
Acacia R. v Nerang	ACACIA R.	DRAW	ACACIA R.	ACACIA R.
Mitchelton v Juventus T.	DRAW	JUVENTUS	MITCHELTON	JUVENTUS
Pine R. v Bardon	DRAW	PINE R.	PINE R.	DRAW
DIVISION THREE				
Brighton v Slacks Ck.	SLACKS CK.	SLACKS CK.	SLACKS CK.	SLACKS CK.
Souths v Oxley	SOUTHS	DRAW	SOUTHS	DRAW
St. Albans v The Gap	THE GAP	THE GAP	THE GAP	DRAW
Darra v Beenleigh	BEENLEIGH	BEENLEIGH	BEENLEIGH	BEENLEIGH
University v Redcliffe	REDCLIFFE	DRAW	UNIVERSITY	DRAW
Capalaba v Kingsridge	KINGSRIDGE	KINGSRIDGE	CAPALABA	CAPALABA
DIVISION FOUR				
Albany Ck. v Ipswich C.	ALBANY CK.	ALBANY CK.	ALBANY CK.	ALBANY CK.
Brothers v Lutwyche	LUTWYCHE	DRAW	LUTWYCHE	LUTWYCHE
Eagles v Pine Hills	DRAW	PINE HILLS	EAGLES	LUTWYCHE
Samford v Kenmore	DRAW	DRAW	KENMORE	KENMORE
Greenbank v Virginia	VIRGINIA	VIRGINIA	VIRGINIA	VIRGINIA
RAAF v Willowburn	WILLOWBURN	WILLOWBURN	WILLOWBURN	WILLOWBURN
SUCCESS RATE	46%	52%	48%	52%

THE XXXX REPORT

REDLANDS UTD. 1 v EASTS 5 (0-2) at the Showgrounds

SCORERS: Redlands: Stefan Meulen
Easts: Phil Redmond 2, Carl Scott, Chris Fegan, Brad Ryan.

MAN OF THE MATCH: Phil Redmond (Easts)

REDLANDS UTD.: Harrison 5, P. Laycock 3, Curran 3, Perry 7, Burns 3 (Mitchell 4), Mullen 3, Roberts 4, Van Win 5, Parson 4, Millman 5, Kelso 5. Coach: Steve Perry.

EASTS: S. Lindsay 7, Gordon 5 (Tucker 4), Scott 4, Playle 6, Grodum 7, Redmond 8 (Melville 6), McDonagh 7, P. Thompson 6, Fegan 6, Mylonas 5, Ryan 4.

Coach: John Sime.
Referee: Peter Murray 8.

GRANGE THISTLE 0 v LIONS 1 (0-1) at Lanham Park

SCORER: Lions: Frank Liddell

MAN OF THE MATCH: Scott Walker (Thistle)

GRANGE THISTLE: Smith 7, King 8, Walker 9, Ribone 7, Hermiston 7, Chamberlain 6, Pagan 8, Blakeney 7, Rackley 7, Ainslie 7. Coach: Joe Gilroy.

LIONS: J. Kearton 7, Marsh 7, Liddell 7, Niven 6, Bassingthwaite 8, J. Ogden 7, Richardson 8, Stewart 6, Morton 6, Hunter 7 (Meredith 6), Druey 6.

Coach: Col Bennett.
Referee: Henry Marron 8.

IPSWICH UNITED 1 v AZZURRI BRISBANE CITY 1 (0-1) at Ebbw Vale

SCORERS: Ipswich U.: Brian MacNicol pen.
Azzurri: Frank Mengotti pen.

MAN OF THE MATCH: Jeff Dann (Ipswich Utd.)

IPSWICH UNITED: Bennett 8, Graham 8, Warren 8, McKeand 7, J. Dann 9, Vogler 8, M. Kelly 6 (Gibb 5), MacNicol 8, Barnard 7, B. Kitching 7, Bradford 6 (Beckwith 7). Coach: Matt Carson.

AZZURRI B. C.: Woodruffe 8, Archer 6, Vasquez 7, Mengotti 7, Cahut 6, Chapman 6, K. Swan 7 (Catalano 6), Lettieri 8, Burgess 8, Mejias 7, Cooper 7 (Salvatore 5). Coach: Juan Cutillas.
Referee: Bob Nelson 7.

MT. GRAVATT 3 v COALSTARS 1 (0-1) at Dittmer Park

SCORERS: Mt. Gravatt: Martin Kirsopp pen., Len Pollock, Cameron Bell
Coalstars: David Wheeler

MAN OF THE MATCH: Domenic Tonel (Mt. Gravatt)

MT. GRAVATT: Pickup 8, Peachey 7, Butler 7, Tonel 9, Baldassi 8, Rees 6 (Bell 7), Kirsopp 8, Costa 8, Dickson 7, Hairsine 7, Pollock 8. Coach: Eric Thompson.

COALSTARS: Wishart 8, Lawrie 7, Weston 6, McFarlane 8, Byrne 6 (Caldwell 5), Dawes 7, A. Ogden 6, Brusasco 8, Wheeler 7, Penman 8, M. Kitching 6.

Coach: Brian Styles.
Referee: Bill Monteverde 8.

OLYMPIC UTD. 1 v NORTH STAR 2 (0-1) at Goodwin Park

SCORERS: Olympic Utd.: Graham Wilson
North Star: Alan Marley, Michael Mulvey

MAN OF THE MATCH: Graham Wilson (Olympic United)

OLYMPIC UNITED: Petie 7, Lambi 8, Cernaka 6, Milovanovic 7, Photinos 6 (Makridakis 6), Glockner 7, Wilson 8, Moric 7, J. Kitching 6 (Bellas 6), Tsoumaris 7, Bedia 7. Coach: Mike Milovanovic.

NORTH STAR: Gallagher 7, Rowell 6, Buchanan 7, Williamson 8, Lobwein 6, R. Swan 7, G. Lindsay 6, M. Mulvey 8, Marley 7, A. Watson 6, Simpson 6 (Humphries 6).

Coach: Iain Fagan.
Referee: Garth Goodwin 8.

TARINGA R. 3 v ROHEDEALE R. 0 (1-0) at Spare Park

SCORERS: Taringa R.: Phil Mulvey 2, Calvin Daunt

MAN OF THE MATCH: Phil Mulvey (Taringa R.)

TARINGA R.: Speare 8, Greer 8, Darrington 6 (Hornby 6), S. Watson 7, McColl 7, (Petersen 6), Gilbert 6, Ash 7, Swadling 8, P. Mulvey 9, Fairclough 8, Daunt 7. Coach: Iain Kesson.

ROCHEDALE R.: Cox 7, Donald 6, McNairn 5, Cootes 5, G. Elwood 6, Wallace 6, Low 7, Kelly 6, Frkovic 4 (Bow 4), Ireland 6, Jenkins 7. Coach: Eddie Spearritt.
Referee: Ken Adriaansen 7.

XXXX LEAGUE — ROUND 5 NORTH STAR v REDLANDS UTD.

O'Callaghan Park, Saturday, 7 p.m.

Referee: BARRY POWER

TEAMS

North Star are building an impressive record at O'Callaghan Park as the National League-aspiring club maintains the pace with Lions at the top of the table.

The Iain Fagan-coached side opened the season with a 2-0 win over last season's arch rivals Coalstars, then followed that with a 2-1 victory over the tough Mount Gravatt in their next O'Callaghan Park appearance. They are two good results against two hard-to-beat sides.

On form, Redlands are unlikely to offer as much resistance. But Steve Perry's side is due to find some form and North Star will be warned not to take them warily.

Redlands are desperate for a win and will throw everything at the home side. But North Star have the footballing ability to win.

Next games: Grange T. v Nth. Star
Redlands v Coalstars

NORTH STAR	REDLANDS UTD.
1 DAVE GALLAGHER	1 R. HARRISON
2 STEVEN ROWELL	2 PAUL LAYCOCK
3 G. BUCHANAN	3 MARK CURRAN
4 B. WILLIAMSON	4 STEVE PERRY
5 DANNY LOBWEIN	5 JASON BURNS
6 ROSS SWAN	6 BEVAN BOHAN
7 GERRY LINDSAY	7 RICHARD VAN WIN
8 MICK MULVEY	8 K. SCHIMKAT
9 ALAN MARLEY	9 RON MILLMAN
10 JARROD AUSTIN	10 GARY BOHAN
11 ANDY WATSON	11 BARRY KELSO
12 COLIN SIMPSON	12 MICK ROBERTS
13 PAT LEATHAM	13 C. DANGERFIELD
14 S. HUMPHRIES	14 STEPHEN BAKER
15 JOHN CARIC	15 S. MEULEN
16 HOWARD BULL	16 R. LAYCOCK
17	17 STEVEN WHITE
20 NOEL LORD	20 M. HASTINGS

Coach: Iain Fagan

Coach: Steve Perry

Scores: H.T. F.T.

Scorers:

ROCHEDALE R. v AZZURRI BRIS. CITY

Underwood Park, Saturday, 7 p.m.

Referee: BARRY NORTON

TEAMS

Azzurri Brisbane City will be out to regain lost ground this weekend after unexpectedly dropping a point at Ipswich United last Sunday.

That gave Lions a break, but the opportunity to pull the Richlands team back is looming. If Azzurri win this weekend, they play Lions in the following round and could leapfrog their rivals on the table if they win that match as well.

But getting past Rochedale this weekend is the immediate task and certainly no easy trot. The Bricks have been one of the surprise packets of the competition so far and on their own ground under floodlights, they will be hard to beat.

City's Irish striker, Kieran Cooper, has hit a lean patch but he is a quality player and could unleash with a flurry of goals in any game. The night conditions in this match could be to his liking and he certainly will pose problems for the Rochedale defence.

Next games: Mt. Gravatt v R'dale
Azzurri B. C. v Lions

ROCHEDALE R.	AZZURRI B.C.
1 BOBBY COX	1 STU WOODRUFFE
2 CHRIS COOTES	2 A. SALVATORE
3 JOHN MCNAIRN	3 GLENN ARCHER
4 STEVE DONALD	4 ROD VASQUEZ
5 GARY ELWOOD	5 F. MENGOTTI
6 BILL WALLACE	6 A. CHAPMAN
7 DON HAWTHORNE	7 KEN SWAN
8 CLIVE JENKINS	8 R. LETTIERI
9 GARY IRELAND	9 KIERAN COOPER
10 JIM KELLY	10 ALF CATALANO
11 CRAIG LOW	11 JON BURGESS
12 IVAN FRKOVIC	12 IBRO CAHUT
13 GERRY McMAHON	13 F. GUGLIEMINO
14 JOHN ADAMSON	14 M. MEJIAS
15 ALAN HUGHES	15 MARTIN NUGENT
16 MICHAEL KENT	16 ENZO DAGOSTINO
17 STU HOLMES	17
20 STEVE ELWOOD	20 WAYNE EVANS

Coach: Eddie Spearritt

Coach: Juan Cutillas

Scores: H.T. F.T.

Scorers:

XXXX LEAGUE — ROUND 5 COALSTARS v OLYMPIC UTD.

Bundamba, Sunday, 2.45 p.m.

Referee: GORDON NICHOLSON

Anyone who has watched Coalstars of late will realise their current lowly position is a false indication of their present footballing form.

It has only been poor finishing which has cost the grand final winners more points in the first four rounds. Coalstars will start finding the net soon and the consequences could be frightening for the unlucky victims.

Olympic will be out to ensure it's not them this weekend, Mike Milovanovic's side runs on plenty of heart and enthusiasm is one of its strongest qualities. If Coalstars drop their concentration, as they did last weekend against Mount Gravatt, then Olympic could sniff victory and the side's young players will grow in stature.

Coalstars can't afford to drop any more points, Olympic need a win to move safely away from the bottom of the table. A certain tough clash.

Next games: Redlands v Coalstars
Olympic U. v Taringa R.

TEAMS

COALSTARS

- 1 KIM WISHART
- 2 KEVIN CALDWELL
- 3 IAN LAWRIE
- 4 M. KITCHING
- 5 ALAN McFARLANE
- 6 FRANK BYRNE
- 7 DALE DAWES
- 8 ANDREW OGDEN
- 9 MARK BRUSASCO
- 10 DAVE WHEELER
- 11 D. FREIBERG
- 12 STU WESTON
- 13 BRUCE PENMAN
- 14 GARY CARROLL
- 15 DAVID MANN
- 16 ROB CLARKE
- 17
- 20 ASTON BELL

Coach: Brian Styles

OLYMPIC UTD.

- 1 GORDON OTTO
- 2 ANDREW LAMBI
- 3 BILL MYLONAS
- 4 MICK CERNAKA
- 5 M. MILOVANOVIC
- 6
- 7 A. PHOTINOS
- 8 PAUL BARRY
- 9 S. GLOCKNER
- 10 GRAHAM WILSON
- 11 NICK MORIC
- 12
- 14 M. MAKRIDAKIS
- 15 JON KITCHING
- 16 JIM BELLAS
- 19 H. TSOUMBARIS
- 20 ELMER BEDIA
- 21 JON PETIE

Coach: M. Milovanovic

Scores: H.T. F.T.

Scorers:

TARINGA R. v MT. GRAVATT

Speare Park, Sunday, 2.45 p.m.

Referee: BOB WATSON

TEAMS

TARINGA R.

- 1 PETER SPEARE
- 2 MARK GREER
- 3 G. DARRINGTON
- 4 STEVE WATSON
- 5 CRAIG McCOLL
- 6 MARK GILBERT
- 7 DAVID ASH
- 8 GREG SWADLING
- 9 PHIL MULVEY
- 10 M. RATCLIFFE
- 11 CALVIN DAUNT
- 12 MARK HORNBY
- 13 C. WILKINSON
- 14 M. FAIRCLOUGH
- 15 CARL PETERSON
- 16 MARK GILROY
- 17
- 20 ANDREW LAPA

Coach: Iain Kesson

MOUNT GRAVATT

- 1 MARK PICKUP
- 2 GLENN REES
- 3 A. BALDASSI
- 4 DAVID COSTA
- 5 TOM McGREGOR
- 6 CAMERON BELL
- 7 MARK HAIRSINE
- 8 HARRY STEWART
- 9 LEN POLLOCK
- 10 CRAIG DICKSON
- 11 MICK SINN
- 12 JOHN DENHAM
- 13 ROSS PEACHEY
- 14 DAMIEN BUTLER
- 15 MARTIN KIRSOPP
- 16 DOMENIC TONEL
- 17
- 20 J. MIDDLETON

Coach: Eric Thompson

Scores: H.T. F.T.

Scorers:

The corresponding game last year between these two sides was an eight-goal thriller.

Mount Gravatt won the Speare Park clash, 5-3. On the attacking ability in these two sides, a similar scoreline is not out of the question.

As predicted by coach Eric Thompson, Mount Gravatt were just waiting to fire and they did that in the second half against Coalstars last weekend. Can the Hawks maintain that form and force their way into the top four?

Taringa certainly won't want to let in eight goals again and at home they are always a hard side to beat. And Calvin Daunt and Phil Mulvey are certain to test the young Mount Gravatt defence. Both teams have a lot to play for and footballing entertainment could be the result.

Next games: Olympic U. v Taringa
Mt. Gravatt v Rochedale

XXXX LEAGUE — ROUND 5 LIONS v IPSWICH UTD.

Richlands, Sunday, 2.45 p.m.

Referee: WAYNE SMITH

TEAMS

Lions surge towards the XXXX League premiership is yet to be halted, but the team was given a real scare by minnows, Grange Thistle, last weekend.

Lions struggled to beat Joe Gilroy's kids and only a Frank Liddell goal off a scrambled corner gave the Richlands team both points. The results certainly proved that Lions have a long way to go before they win the League.

Ipswich United also got a good result last week against former national leaguers. They came back from a first half goal to share the points. Ipswich coach Matt Carson described the game as "the best match he had seen at Ebbw Vale in three years".

Players in both teams will be returning from mid-week representative duty and may be a bit leg weary.

Next games: Azzurri BC v Lions.
Ipswich U. v Easts

LIONS

- 1 ROB FARROW
- 2 KEITH MARSH
- 3 M. MALLET
- 4 FRANK LIDDELL
- 5 ALAN NIVEN
- 6 R. B'WAIGHTE
- 7
- 8 JOHN OGDEN
- 9 D. RICHARDSON
- 10 R. STEWART
- 11 JIM MORTON
- 12 DAVID HUNTER
- 13 NICK MEREDITH
- 14 BRETT DRUERY
- 15 BILL ARMIT
- 16
- 17 B. McSKIMMING
- 20 JASON KEARTON

Coach: Col Bennett

IPSWICH UTD.

- 1 JOHN BENNETT
- 2 NEV O'SULLIVAN
- 3 DALLAS GRAHAM
- 4 WAYNE WARREN
- 5 MARK GOODMAN
- 6 R. McKEAND
- 7 JEFF DANN
- 8 S. BRADFORD
- 9 PETER VOGLER
- 10 MICK KELLY
- 11 BRIAN MacNICOL
- 12 GLEN GIBB
- 13 R. BARNARD
- 14 ANDREW McCLURE
- 15 R. BECKWITH
- 16
- 17
- 20 DOMENIC POTTER

Coach: Matt Carson

Scores: H.T. F.T.

Scorers:

EASTS v GRANGE THISTLE

Perry Park, Monday, 8.30 p.m.

Referee: ALAN KIBBLER

TEAMS

EASTS

- 1 S. LINDSAY
- 2
- 3 KEN GORDON
- 4 CARL SCOTT
- 5 ALAN MELVILLE
- 6 SCOTT PLAYLE
- 7 STEIN GRODUM
- 8 PHIL REDMOND
- 9 JIM McDONAGH
- 10 PHIL THOMPSON
- 11 CHRIS FEGAN
- 12 TONY KANE
- 13 GLENN NORTON
- 14 GREG TUCKER
- 15 PAUL MYLONAS
- 16 BRAD RYAN
- 17
- 20 MARK DAVIS

Coach: John Sime

GRANGE THISTLE

- 1 ROSS SMITH
- 2 JOHN RIBONE
- 3 SCOTT WALKER
- 4 J. HERMISTON
- 5 JASON BURR
- 6 MARK BLAKENEY
- 7 COLIN AINSLIE
- 8 ALISTAIR PAGAN
- 9 SCOTT RACKLEY
- 10 R. CHAMBERLAIN
- 11 DAVID PAYNE
- 12 DAVID KING
- 13 A. SOMMERVILLE
- 14 STEVE DOLAN
- 15 STEVEN KLUSS
- 16
- 17
- 20 GREG MARSHALL

Coach: Joe Gilroy

John Sime's Easts have quietly slipped into the top four, scoring 12 goals in their four games to date.

Five of those came when the Tigers drubbed Redlands at the Showgrounds last weekend and Sime will be hoping his team can take up where they left off, but Thistle showed against Lions last week that they are not a side to be taken lightly.

Joe Gilroy has his side well drilled and commitment is one of the team's abundant qualities. They may not win a lot of games, but they certainly will stop others from taking both points.

Easts will look to their experienced striking duo of Phil Redmond and Jim McDonagh to penetrate the young Thistle defence and all indications are that this first Monday night football experiment could be a closely fought affair.

Next games: Ipswich U. v Easts
Grange T. v North Star

Scores: H.T. F.T.

Scorers:

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