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Queensland soccer followers want to see the State team in action regularly against top class opposition — but not while the team is dominated by Lions players.

That was the startling results of the recently-conducted Go Soccer survey. Those who replied to the questions we asked more than a fortnight ago were near unanimous in their response.

It is evident that there is a growing jealousy and spite against Lions and the current success it enjoys. And sadly it has spilled over to the representative scene and supporters are condemning Bruce Stowell's selections solely on club biases. "I am not prepared to pay money to see the Lions players in the Maroon. Liverpool and Everton have dominated the English first division over the past five years, yet the England team is not dominated by Merseyside players to the same extent Lions players dominate the Queensland team," wrote Mr. J. Atkinson, of East Brisbane.

But Queensland soccer supporters do want to watch the Queensland team. In reply to our first question: Do you want to watch the Queensland team play regularly? The answers were Yes, Yes Yes!! Not one reply out of the many we received in our survey said they were not interested in watching the Maroons.

Replies to our second question, asking whether supporters went to games to watch the Maroons or the opposition, were mixed. Again club bias and overseas favouritism influenced answers. Many said they went to watch players from their own clubs but didn't really care who else was in the Queensland team. But many said they would be attracted to watch the opposition if it was their favourite overseas team e.g., Manchester United, Celtic etc.

Most who answered the survey were not against Queensland playing teams from the Oceania region but said they offered little attraction. "It makes sense for us to play teams like Fiji or New Zealand but at the moment they offer no appeal as we don't know any of their players. If the opposition was promoted, fans may come to watch the likes of Ivor Evans or Cheetha Vosuga," wrote Mr. Graeme Brooke, from Everton Hills.

Another novel idea was put forward by Mr. Fred Koch, of Pine Rivers. He called for an East Coast Australia interstate championship on a home and away basis between Queensland, NSW, Victoria and South Australia. Mr. Koch also called for a game between the resident Queensland team and an expatriates side, coached by former Queensland director of coaching, Ron Smith, now the head coach at the AIS. Such a side could include Frank Farina, John Stewart, Danny Wright, Alan Hunter, Steve Jackson, Jason Polak, John Koch, Manis Lomond, Ray Junna, Paul Fagan and Cameron Pearse — a fearsome XI.

Our survey also asked whether fans would pay in excess of \$12 for a ticket to see top opposition. And it seems money is no option. Every reply said that they were prepared to pay for quality. But the fans also said they would not be fooled and if they were paying big money then they wanted to see the real thing. "Australia soccer followers will no longer stand watching overseas teams tours without their name players. We have been ripped off for too long," wrote Miss Maria Zinni, of Chermiside.

And the team Queensland soccer followers want most to see at Perry Park? Despite their poor season, it was Manchester United (42%), followed by Liverpool (26%), Everton (22%). Others named included Arsenal, Napoli, Glasgow Rangers, Celtic and Feyenoord.



England and Manchester United captain, Bryan Robson, who could play for Queensland in the annual interstate clash against New South Wales at Perry Park next month.

NEWS REPORT

ENGLAND STAR COULD PLAY FOR MAROONS

Soccer Headquarters, Perry Park, could see the biggest attraction since George Best guested for Lions three years ago if current negotiations clinched an appearance by England and Manchester United captain, Bryan Robson.

An Australian-based player agent has been acting on behalf of Robson in negotiations with the QSF. It is hoped to bring the \$4 million midfielder to Brisbane for the annual interstate clash with New South Wales, which is likely to be played on Sunday, June 14. But Robson will not come cheaply. It is understood the World Cup star is asking a substantial five figure appearance fee — certainly not exorbitant in the world market.

The QSF, and in particular marketing man Mark Gardener, is currently doing its figures and is hopeful that with the aid of sponsorship, the Robson deal can be clinched. Robson has stamped himself as one of the world's finest midfielders since he transferred from West Bromwich Albion to Manchester United, although injuries have dogged his career. Robson's great strength is his ability to score goals from the midfield — a bonus which certainly would make the Maroons favourites in the interstate clash.

Queensland this week is playing in the inaugural South Pacific Cup tournament in Auckland. The Maroons are the interstate champions after beating NSW 1-0 at Perry Park last year.

FRONT COVER: The Queensland squad in New Zealand this weekend is bristling with experience and four of the Australian representatives in the side are (clockwise from back left) Richard Bassingthwaite, Steve Perry, Alan Niven and Russell Stewart.

POINTS TO PONDER...

Former Lions NSL coach Gordon Arrowsmith has resumed playing and is turning out for his old club Bardon. But Arrowsmith is not in goals, the position in which he previously played for the club. Instead he is working hard out on the field and beating players many years his junior.

Moves are underway for management committee members to get official blazers. One member is understood to be campaigning strongly amid reluctance from several more senior committee members. One wag suggested those against the move should be told "to go to blazers."

Any members of the Queensland team who thought they might sneak off into downtown Auckland for some fun and games while on tour this week received a shock when they arrived last Saturday. Their hotel is way out in the suburbs and the trip into town requires a rather hefty cab fare. QSF officials appear to have learned some valuable lessons in Fiji.

QSF boss Ian Brusasco was quick to correct Lions coach Col Bennett at last week's special meeting, reminding him the State's top competition was the XXXX League — not the Premier League. Perhaps recent Lions sponsorships had made the word hard to say for Col.

After five rounds, the Mount Gravatt and Rochedale XXXX Reserves teams had exactly the same records — five games, one win, two draw, two losses, five goals, 10 against, four points. It probably wasn't surprising then that when they clashed at Dittmer Park last Sunday week, they played a 0-0 draw!

Some clubs are already examining immigration rules to see if there are any loopholes to bring British players into Australia through New Zealand following the relaxing of visa restrictions in relation to the Kiwis. One club believes it has found an avenue and could test it in the near future.

GO SOCCER EDITORIAL

By Editor, GEOFF STEAD

Moves by referees to stamp out foul or abusive language in our game is undoubtedly a step in the right direction.

Competition for the sporting dollar is intense and soccer is certainly in no position to be turning away paying spectators who do not like what they hear on the football field. Nor have players any right to launch scathing tirades and abuse on referees. Indeed, while the modern game is more competitive than ever, there is still a place for sportsmanship and the ideals of getting on with the game.

But we also do not live in a perfect society. Players are human beings, they will have moments of indiscretion and lack of self discipline. For some, foul language will be an automatic reaction. Many will be chastising themselves more than anything else.

That makes the proposed blitz by referees on foul or abusive language a very difficult policy to enforce. The line between reaction and abuse is a very fine one indeed. There always will be differing opinions and some will view the referees decision as wrong. The dilemma is obvious, so what is the solution?

There can only be one. We are either serious about stamping out bad language or we are to take no action at all. We have opted for the former and the intention has been

well publicised. Everyone has been given two weeks to correct their bad habits, to learn some self discipline. Those who cannot help themselves will have to learn the hard-way. Just like hand-balling is against the rules, players should start to drill themselves that so too is swearing; those who choose to flaunt the rules will risk the consequences.

There can be no excuses, no-one can come crying.

Good manners begin at home and coaches and club officials must act now to ensure their players rid themselves of bad habits. They will pay on the field if they don't. It may seem harsh and unfair, but we are wasting everyone's time if we are to call special meetings, agree there is a problem and then not be brave enough to take action. There is too much hypocrisy in our game as it is. In the main, referees are common-sense people and certainly want to keep honest players on the park. They gain nothing by sending off a player.

Referees are trained to judge the situation and anyone who is completely honest will find few situations in any season where a player is wrongly sent-off for foul or abusive language.

ACROSS MY DESK . . .

By QSF Secretary, ALAN VESSEY

For the first time in many seasons, it would appear that our crowds are up and there have been excellent attendances at many of the matches I have attended.

People, who for one reason or another, have not attended a local soccer game for some time are again appearing on the scene. And perhaps we are even attracting new supporters who are discovering soccer as an entertaining afternoon out.

Whatever the reason, it is vital these people are encouraged to return and the responsibility for that falls largely on the XXXX League clubs and to a lesser extent the Division Two teams.

Some clubs are very thorough and professional in their presentation of matches. These clubs are to be com-

mended. Others would do well to take notice of the examples and adopt similar practices.

A simple thing like ensuring all players wear their numbers as printed in our official magazine. Go Soccer, announcing scorers and results at other grounds go a long way towards complementing the afternoon's entertainment for the spectator.

Everything indicates that we have turned the corner and are fighting back against our rival codes. By paying attention to the little things in match promotion, it will be the clubs themselves who will reap the benefits in the long run.



Eric Thompson

IT'S THOMMO TALKING

Full marks to whoever in the Federation initiated the negotiations which could see England and Manchester United captain Bryan Robson play for Queensland next month.

This is exactly what I was talking about in recent columns. If we want to get big crowds to Perry Park then we have to put on a quality show. Bryan Robson is one of the best players in the world — and what's more he still is playing and is not a hasbeen like so many of the other guest players we have seen.

If promoted right we could have the whole of Brisbane talking about Robson in the week leading up to the interstate match.

I would expect he would hold a junior coaching clinic as well and that should mean thousands of kids will want to watch him play. Let the kids in for free too. They will drag their paying Mums and Dads along, and spend money when they get inside.

And once we get a big crowd, we should make a big day of it. Perhaps there could even be a lucky draw for Robson's strip after the match. Get him to kick 20 or so soccer balls into the crowd.

The more people who go away with something, the more likely they are to return again.

Bryan Robson can be a good promotional vehicle for Queensland soccer and we should do everything possible to commit him to some kind of long term agreement with the QSF.

If we could get him to come here on a regular basis, he could become a kind of Queensland Craig Johnson. Every time people saw him in action on TV for Manchester United or England, they would link him to Queensland soccer.

That could bring a lot of fans back to the game and attract new ones who only watch the English soccer on TV and dismiss the local game.

Forging a long term deal with Robson also could have reciprocal benefits. It could open doors at Old

Trafford for some of our top youngsters. And what a boost it would be for Queensland soccer if a Brisbane boy turned out for the Mighty Red Devils.

I've got two young lads at home (and a newly-arrived daughter) who are already in training!

I was glad to see Jim Hermiston turned down approaches from Redlands and Rochedale to make a comeback.

Jim had nothing to prove by pulling his boots on again, and particularly for sides struggling in the XXXX League. I have no doubts that Jim would have been still fit enough and certainly would still have the footballing ability to more than look after himself.

But there is no future in anyone trying to buy their way out of trouble, much less spend money on a 39-year-old. The future of the game is in youngsters and Redlands and Rochedale should be ensuring their efforts are in that direction so they produce players to fill the gaps.

I am sure Jim would be thinking along similar lines. If Redlands wanted a Hermiston, then perhaps they should have gone for Jim Junior, who has formed a pretty efficient central defensive partnership with Scott Walker at Thistle. In fact, some say it's shades of the old Hermiston-Bennett combination.

If so, then good luck to Grange Thistle. They deserve a change of luck.

It's good to see the Ampol Cup revert back to the straight knockout format — that's what Cup football is all about.

Last year, the round robin turned the Cup into a bit of a farce. But hopefully we can now settle on a formula and stick to it. One of the things that makes Cup football is tradition and that is hard to develop when the format changes every year.

WOMEN'S SOCCER IS BOOMING

Women's soccer is thriving around the world and Queensland is leading the way as the girls gain a major foothold in Australia.

There are now 20,000 registered women's soccer players in 1300 teams in Australia. That's more than double the number of women who play the game in England and Italy. West Germany leads the way with 374,694 registered women soccer payers and an additional 62,351 girls playing the game.

In Queensland, women's soccer is thriving and this year there are 28 teams in three senior divisions and six junior sides. The eight First Division sides are Easts, Coalstars, Queensland University, Souths, Milton Dodgers, Queensland Rangers, Redlands and North Star.

A hectic representative scene is already underway and the Brisbane and Ipswich women's teams clashed in a highly entertaining curtain-raiser to the recent men's intercity clash.

The Brisbane squad, being trained by national women's coach Fred Robins, is: Kerry Millman, Joanne Millman, Lyn Spencer, Kym Dunlop, Robyn Priest, Sharon Wass, Leanne Priestley, Britte Gundlach (all Easts), Leonne Yoh Yeh (The Gap), Sue Monteath, Kay O'Sullivan (Qld. Uni), Lisa Hadley, Stephanie McMahon, Sandy Walsh, Tracy Diprosu (Milton), Anne-Marie Schiavo, Caterina Polvirenti (Brisbane City), Christine Nicolsen (Olympic Utd.)

Seven Queenslanders recently attended a highly successful national squad training camp at the Australian Institute of Sports in Canberra. The week-long camp culminated in a match at Bruce Stadium between an Australian XI and Individual XI. Australia, which consisted mostly of the girls who toured New Zealand last year, won 2-0.

The South Queensland season kicked off with the Watson Shield, which the Gold Coast won, beating Easts 2-1. The season is now in full swing with a full round of fixtures this weekend.

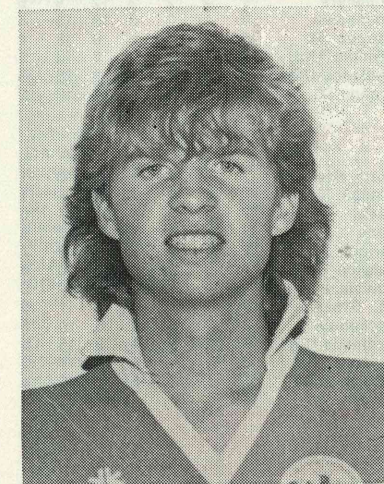
Division One matches this weekend are: Sunday — Easts v North Star, Easts Brisbane, 9 a.m.; Redlands v Coalstars, Cleveland, 12.30 p.m.; Qld Uni v Souths, Atlanta Field, Geebung, 3.30 p.m.. The Atlanta Trophy will be contested from May 17.

Go Soccer will publish junior tables from next week. Points for those competitions under the jurisdiction of Brisbane North and Districts Junior Soccer Association will be featured first while Brisbane South tables will be the following week. The two associations will alternate each week through to the end of the season. Reserve your copy of Go Soccer from next week and follow your junior team and its rivals.

GO SOCCER PROFILES

SCOTT RACKLEY GRANGE THISTLE

Name: Scott Alan Rackley
Age: 18
Birthplace: Brisbane
Height and Weight: 5ft 11ins, 69kg
Occupation: Student
Marital status: Single
Nickname: D.C. or Bang
Favourite food: Steak or Chicken
Favourite TV show: The Young Ones, any soccer show.
Favourite music: Queen, INXS and U2
Hobbies and other sporting interests: Golf, spending time with close friends.
Previous clubs: The Gap
Representative honours: Brisbane North Under 12, Under 15 and Under 20, Q'land Under 15, Under 16 Under 20, Australian Schoolboys Under 20, Brisbane Under 20.
Biggest influence on career: Bevan Chantler, George Pagan.
Highlight of career: Scoring for Australian Schoolboys in Wellington.
Biggest playing disappointment: Injuries during Under 13 and Under 14.
Favourite overseas player: Diego Maradona.
Brisbane player you respect the most: Steve Dolan (Thistle)
Best thing about Qld Soccer: Nightmatches
Worst thing about Qld soccer: Young players being frightened of big name players.



STEVE WATSON TARINGA ROVERS



Name: Stephen Watson
Age: 24
Birthplace: Sydney
Height and Weight: 173 cm, 75 kg
Occupation: Sales representative and part-time English student.
Marital status: Married
Nickname: Wally
Favourite food: fish
Favourite TV show: Cosby Show, Family Ties
Hobbies and other sporting interests: Tennis, squash
Previous clubs: Lugarno (NSW), Lions, Bardon.
Representative honours: South-West Districts High School team.
Biggest influence on career: Iain Kesson
Highlight of career: Training at Ipswich Town SFC.
Biggest playing disappointment: Losing
Favourite overseas player: Terry Butcher (Rangers, England)
Brisbane player you respect the most: Richard Bassingthwaite (Lions)
Best thing about Qld soccer: The social life
Worst thing about Qld soccer: Lack of crowds.



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 DAMIEN BUTLER (Mt. Gravatt)
 GLENN ARCHER (Azzurri)
 SCOTT RACKLEY (G. Thistle)

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GO SOCCER TABLES

XXXX LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
East	7	6	1	—	17	6	13
North Star	7	5	2	—	14	5	12
Lions	6	5	—	1	20	5	10
Azzurri B.C.	7	4	1	2	16	10	9
Mt. Gravatt	6	3	1	2	16	12	7
Ipswich Utd.	7	2	3	2	10	7	7
Coalstars	7	2	2	3	12	9	6
Rochedale	6	1	2	3	10	18	4
Taringa R.	7	2	—	5	8	16	4
Olympic Utd.	6	1	1	4	7	13	3
Redlands Utd.	7	1	1	5	7	25	3
Grange T.	7	—	2	5	2	13	2

XXXX RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
North Star	7	5	1	1	13	5	11
Grange T.	7	5	1	1	12	5	11
East	7	4	2	1	10	4	10
Lions	6	4	1	1	11	2	9
Taringa R.	7	3	1	3	17	7	7
Ipswich Utd.	7	2	2	3	5	10	6
Coalstars	7	2	1	4	10	14	5
Mt. Gravatt	6	1	3	2	6	11	5
Rochedale	6	1	3	2	5	10	5
Redlands Utd.	7	2	1	4	9	15	5
Olympic Utd.	6	1	1	4	4	11	3
Azzurri B.C.	7	1	1	5	8	16	3

XXXX LEAGUE LEADING SCORERS

8 goals: Len Pollock (Mt G);
 6 goals: Michael Mulvey (Nth St);
 5 goals: Brett Drury (Lions), Gary Ireland (Roch), Frank Mengotti (ABC), Chris Fegan (East);
 4 goals: Carl Scott (East), Calvin Daunt (Tar), Kieran Cooper (ABC), Phil Mulvey (Tar), Phil Redmond (East).

The leading scorer at the end of the fixtures will receive a weekend for two at the Rocks Resort at Currumbin, courtesy of Barrie Roberts. In the event of a tie, the winner will be decided on a countback of the most goals scored in one game.

XXXX THIRDS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Olympic Utd.	7	4	2	1	20	10	10
Rochedale	7	4	2	1	19	9	10
Grange T.	7	3	4	—	12	3	10
North Star	7	4	2	1	12	7	10
East	7	4	—	3	14	8	8
Redlands Utd.	6	3	2	1	9	8	8
Taringa R.	6	3	—	3	15	17	6
Azzurri B.C.	7	2	2	3	11	14	6
Ipswich Utd.	7	2	1	4	6	13	5
Coalstars	7	1	2	4	11	15	4
Lions	7	1	2	4	10	17	4
Mt. Gravatt	7	—	1	6	2	20	1

XXXX COLTS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Lions	7	6	1	—	19	2	13
Grange T.	7	5	1	1	16	4	11
North Star	7	4	—	3	16	13	8
Mt. Gravatt	7	3	2	2	12	13	8
Taringa R.	7	2	3	2	14	12	7
East	7	1	4	2	11	12	6
Olympic Utd.	7	2	2	3	8	12	6
Rochedale	7	2	2	3	4	9	6
Redlands Utd.	7	3	—	4	11	18	6
Azzurri B.C.	7	1	3	3	8	11	5
Ipswich Utd.	7	1	2	4	5	11	4
Coalstars	7	2	—	5	10	17	4

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
North Star	28	18	5	5	55	30	41
East	28	15	17	6	52	30	37
Lions	26	16	4	6	60	26	36
Grange T.	28	13	8	7	42	25	34
Rochedale	26	8	9	9	38	46	25
Taringa R.	27	10	4	13	54	52	24
Azzurri B.C.	28	8	7	13	43	51	23
Olympic Utd.	26	8	6	12	39	46	22
Ipswich Utd.	28	7	8	13	26	41	22
Redlands Utd.	27	9	4	14	36	66	22
Mt. Gravatt	26	7	7	12	36	56	21
Coalstars	28	7	5	16	43	55	19

The leading club in the overall club championship at the end of the fixtures will win a set of strips from Attack Sports Pty. Ltd. and a \$1000 voucher from Insurance Exchange of Australia Pty. Ltd.

YOUR WEEKEND MATCH GUIDE

XXXX LEAGUE

Saturday —
 S'grounds, 2.45 p.m.: R'lands v Mt. Gravatt
 Lanham Pk, 6 p.m.: Grange T. v Taringa R.
Sunday —
 Goodwin Pk, 2.45 p.m.: Olympic v R'dale
 Ebbw Vale, 2.45 p.m.: Ipswich v Coalstars
 Spencer Pk, 2.45 p.m.: Azzurri v Nth. Star
Monday —
 Perry Pk, 8.30 p.m.: Lions v Easts

DIVISION TWO

Saturday —
 Elder Pk, 6 p.m.: Annerley v Pine R.
 Proud Fid, 7 p.m.: Acacia R. v M'chelton
Sunday —
 Maramba Std, 2.45 p.m.: Wynnum v Inala C.
 Beninca Ov, 2.45 p.m.: Juventus v Goodna
 Glennon Pk, 2.45 p.m.: Nerang v Croatia
 Bowman Pk, 2.45 p.m.: Bardon v N'market

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DIVISION TWO

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Acacia Ridge	7	5	—	2	18	8	10
Juventus T.	7	4	2	1	14	10	10
Croatia	7	4	2	1	10	6	10
Wynnum	7	4	1	2	17	14	9
Inala City	7	4	1	2	13	12	9
Pine Rivers	7	4	—	3	15	11	8
Bardon L.	7	3	1	3	11	13	7
Mitchelton	7	3	—	4	16	16	6
Nerang	7	2	2	3	12	14	6
Goodna	7	1	2	4	8	12	4
Newmarket	7	—	3	4	6	11	3
Annerley	7	1	—	6	3	16	2

DIVISION TWO RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Acacia Ridge	7	7	—	—	17	3	14
Croatia	7	5	1	1	15	8	11
Mitchelton	7	5	—	2	13	10	10
Pine Rivers	7	4	1	2	22	12	9
Inala City	7	4	1	2	13	8	9
Wynnum	7	3	2	2	15	4	8
Juventus T.	7	3	2	2	12	11	8
Annerley	7	2	—	5	9	15	4
Bardon L.	7	2	—	5	7	22	4
Goodna	7	1	1	5	6	14	3
Nerang	7	—	3	4	6	16	3
Newmarket	7	—	1	6	4	16	1

DIVISION TWO THIRDS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Annerley	7	6	—	1	17	8	12
Acacia Ridge	7	4	1	2	18	7	9
Inala City	7	4	1	2	14	8	9
Goodna	7	2	4	1	11	12	8
Juventus T.	7	3	1	3	12	10	7
Wynnum	7	3	1	3	19	18	7
Pine Rivers	6	3	—	3	11	10	6
Mitchelton	7	2	2	3	10	9	6
Croatia	7	2	2	3	13	15	6
Newmarket	7	1	3	3	10	14	5
Bardon L.	6	2	1	3	16	23	5
Nerang	7	—	2	5	3	20	2

DIVISION THREE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
The Gap	7	5	2	—	19	8	12
University Q.	7	6	—	1	14	7	12
Kingsridge	7	4	1	2	19	13	9
St. Albans	6	2	3	1	10	6	7
Oxley Utd.	6	3	1	2	11	8	7
Redcliffe C.	7	3	1	3	9	11	7
Beenleigh	6	3	—	3	12	8	6
Slacks Creek	7	3	—	4	11	11	6
Capalaba	7	2	2	3	7	15	6
Souths Utd.	7	1	2	4	11	12	4
Brighton	6	—	2	4	5	16	2
Darra Utd.	7	1	—	6	6	19	2

DIVISION THREE RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
St. Albans	6	5	1	—	24	1	11
Darra Utd.	7	5	1	1	17	6	11
The Gap	7	5	—	2	20	3	10
Beenleigh	6	4	2	—	14	6	10
Souths Utd.	7	4	2	1	16	11	10
Kingsridge	7	3	2	2	9	9	8
University Q.	7	3	—	4	11	12	6
Oxley Utd.	6	2	1	3	9	10	5
Redcliffe C.	7	2	—	5	11	18	4
Slacks Creek	7	—	2	5	8	24	2
Brighton	6	1	—	5	2	21	2
Capalaba	7	—	1	6	7	27	1

DIVISION FOUR

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Lutwyche Utd.	7	6	1	—	33	8	13
Willowburn	6	5	1	—	28	5	11
Kenmore R.	6	4	1	1	20	5	9
Virginia Utd.	7	4	1	2	20	12	9
S. Eagles	6	3	1	2	15	7	7
Albany Creek	6	3	1	2	14	13	7
Br. Makedonia	7	3	1	3	12	14	7
Samford R.	6	2	2	2	14	12	6
Ipswich City	7	2	—	5	5	25	4
RAAF	6	1	1	4	12	22	3
Pine Hills	7	1	—	6	13	20	2
Greenbank	7	—	—	7	3	46	—

DIVISION FOUR RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Albany Creek	7	6	—	1	26	6	12
Kenmore R.	6	5	—	1	37	7	10
Willowburn	5	4	1	—	21	7	9
Samford R.	6	4	1	1	17	10	9
S. Eagles	5	2	1	2	5	6	5
Lutwyche Utd.	6	2	1	3	9	11	5
Pine Hills	6	2	—	4	10	13	4
Br. Makedonia	7	1	2	4	15	26	4
Ipswich City	6	2	—	4	9	32	4
Virginia Utd.	6	1	1	4	7	18	3
RAAF	6	—	1	5	5	25	1
Greenbank	7	—	—	—	—	—	—

DIVISION FIVE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Leichhardt E.	7	6	—	1	27	7	12
Moggill Utd.	7	5	2	—	20	7	12
Logan City	7	4	2	1	20	13	10
Toowong	7	3	2	2	16	10	8
Westside	7	4	—	3	22	20	8
Griffith Uni.	7	3	2	2	14	13	8
Western Subs.	7	3	—	4	22	16	6
Yugal Ind.	7	2	1	4	20	18	5
Nth. Pine Utd.	7	2	1	4	9	21	5
Salisbury R.	7	1	2	4	13	19	4
Bayside Utd.	7	1	2	4	9	22	4
South Star	7	—	2	5	4	30	2

DIVISION SIX

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
University Q.	7	6	—	1	29	8	12
The Gap	7	5	1	1	16	7	11
Caboolture	7	5	1	1	19	11	11
Salisbury R.	7	4	2	1	17	8	10
Newmarket	7	3	3	1	18	12	9
Decept. Bay	7	3					

REFS TO BLITZ FOUL LANGUAGE

Referees will conduct a blitz on foul or abusive language from next week onwards. That was the message after last week's specially-called meeting between referees, the management committee and coaches and officials from the XXXX League and Division Two clubs.

The meeting produced a good turnout with 56 people present. The meeting agreed there was a problem with foul language in Brisbane soccer. A number of solutions were put forward, but the meeting was in general agreement that everyone be given a two-week warning, after which there would be a strict blitz by referees.

"Bad language in soccer has got to be stopped somehow and the only way we can do it is to work together," said Des Miles, a former leading referee and now national referees coach.

QSF boss chaired the meeting which was conducted in a friendly and open manner with all parties sympathetic of the problems facing each other in stamping out foul language. Brusasco opened the meeting by saying he felt referees did not want to start wholesale red carding of players who swear. But after nearly an hour of discussion, most agreed the only way to stamp out the problem was to start making players realise that those who swear on the park or abuse referees will be sent-off. Although there were calls for referees to use a common-sense approach and take into consideration all factors before reaching for their cards.

Brusasco summed up the meeting by saying: "There have been no formal decisions because that was not the purpose of the meeting. It was an exercise to ensure communication between the referees and the clubs and their coaches. But you would be foolish not to go back to your clubs and advise your players that there was going to be a more commonsense approach but at the same time a stricter enforcement of the rules relating to foul or abusive language. There can be no excuses as everyone has been given a two-week warning in which to take action themselves and begin adopting some self-discipline."

The 56 who attended the meeting included Queensland director of coaching, Bruce Stowell, Australian women's coach Fred Robins and Queensland assistant coach Tony Beusnel.

XXXX League coaches who attended included Brian Styles (Coalstars), Iain Kesson (Taringa), Col Bennett (Lions), Iain Fagan (North Star), Juan Cutillas (Azzurri), Steve Perry (Redlands) and Mike Milovanovic (Olympic Utd.), Eleven of the 12 Division Two coaches were present with Nerang — whose Walter Tamandl could not make the meeting in time after training — be represented by president Brian Falkiner.

CUP HOLDERS' TOUGH OPENER

Ampol Cup holders, Coalstars, face a difficult tie in their opening round of this year's competition.

The Bundamba side, which beat North Star in an exciting final last year, will play the under-rated Inala City. Inala have stunned a number of sides in their first season in Division Two and will be backed by their huge band of supporters in this clash on Wednesday, May 20, at Ebbw Vale.

North Star, who lost in last season's final thwarted their bid to win three consecutive Cup finals, have a tricky opening draw against Newmarket at Newmarket.

This year's format has slightly altered from last year when a round robin system was used to decide the teams to go into the final draw. This season all matches are knockout. The 12 XXXX League teams, the 12 Division Two sides and the representative sides from the Gold and Sunshine Coasts have been matched which will produce 13 sides to go into the main draw. They will be joined by the three country zone winners. As in past years, the quarter-finals onwards will be drawn "from the hat".

THE DRAW

The draw for the City and Coast qualifying rounds of this year's Ampol Cup Statewide Knockout Competition is:

Wednesday, May 13:

MITCHELTON SOCCER CLUB:

Mitchelton v Olympic United (7.30 p.m.)

ROCHEDALE ROVERS SOCCER CLUB:

Redland United v Croatia (6.30 p.m.)

Rochedale R. v Gold Coast Soccer Fed. (8.30 p.m.)

ANNERLEY SOCCER CLUB:

Annerley v Nerang (8 p.m.)

Wednesday, May 20:

NEWMARKET SOCCER CLUB:

Newmarket v North Star (7.30 p.m.)

MT. GRAVATT SOCCER CLUB:

Mt. Gravatt v Wynnum (7.30 p.m.)

IPSWICH UNITED SOCCER CLUB:

Ipswich United v Juventus T. (6.30 p.m.)

Inala City v Coalstars (8.30 p.m.)

BEERWAH GLASSHOUSE SOCCER CLUB:

Sunshine Coast S.A. v Azzurri Bris. City (7.30 p.m.)

Wednesday, May 27:

BRISBANE LIONS SOCCER CLUB:

Brisbane Lions v Bardon L. (7.30 p.m.)

GRANGE THISTLE SOCCER CLUB:

Grange T. v Eastern Suburbs (7.30 p.m.)

ACACIA RIDGE SOCCER CLUB:

Taringa R. v Goodna & Dist. (6.30 p.m.)

Acacia R. v Pine R. Utd. (8.30 p.m.)



Coalstars captain Mark McNaughton, who led his team to victory in the Ampol Cup final last season.



Minor production difficulties caused by the absence of Go Soccer Editor, Geoff Stead — who is in New Zealand with the Queensland team — prevented the publishing of club news reports this week. But club news will return in a bumper issue next week.

WHAT THE EXPERTS THINK

MATCH	GEOFF	JUSTIN	FLOYD	MARK
XXXX LEAGUE	STEAD	COOMBER	NANGREAVE	BRIGDEN
Olympic v Rochedale	DRAW	DRAW	DRAW	OLYMPIC Utd.
Redlands v Mt. Gravatt	MT. GRAVATT	MT. GRAVATT	MT. GRAVATT	MT. GRAVATT
Grange T. v Taringa	TARINGA R.	GRANGE T.	GRANGE T.	DRAW
Ipswich U. v Coalstars	IPSWICH Utd	IPSWICH Utd	IPSWICH Utd	IPSWICH Utd
Azzurri v North Star	DRAW	NORTH STAR	AZZURRI	DRAW
Lions v Easts	EASTS	LIONS	LIONS	LIONS
DIVISION TWO				
Annerley v Pine R.	PINE R.	PINE R.	ANNERLEY	PINE R.
Wynnum v Inala C.	WYNNUM	DRAW	INALA C.	WYNNUM
Juventus v Goodna	JUVENTUS	JUVENTUS	JUVENTUS	JUVENTUS
Nerang v Croatia	CROATIA	CROATIA	CROATIA	CROATIA
Bardon v Newmarket	DRAW	BARDON	BARDON	DRAW
Acacia R. v Mitchelton	DRAW	ACACIA R.	ACACIA R.	ACACIA R.
DIVISION THREE				
Oxley v Capalaba	OXLEY	OXLEY	OXLEY	OXLEY
Slacks Ck. v The Gap	THE GAP	THE GAP	THE GAP	DRAW
Redcliffe v St. Albans	DRAW	DRAW	REDCLIFFE	DRAW
Beenleigh v Souths	DRAW	BEENLEIGH	BEENLEIGH	BEENLEIGH
Kingsridge v Brighton	KINGSRIDGE	KINGSRIDGE	KINGSRIDGE	KINGSRIDGE
Darra v University	UNIVERSITY	UNIVERSITY	UNIVERSITY	UNIVERSITY
DIVISION FOUR				
Lutwyche v RAAF	LUTWYCHE	LUTWYCHE	LUTWYCHE	LUTWYCHE
Ipswich C. v Pine H.	DRAW	DRAW	PINE HILLS	DRAW
Virginia v Eagles	VIRGINIA	VIRGINIA	EAGLES	DRAW
Kenmore v Brothers	KENMORE	KENMORE	KENMORE	DRAW
Willowburn v Albany Ck.	WILLOWBURN	WILLOWBURN	WILLOWBURN	WILLOWBURN
Samford v Greenbank	SAMFORD	SAMFORD	SAMFORD	SAMFORD
SUCCESS RATE	53%	50%	46%	49%

THE XXXX REPORT

NORTH STAR 0 v IPSWICH UTD. 0 at O'Callaghan Park

MAN OF THE MATCH: Noel Lord (North Star)

NORTH STAR: Lord 9, Rowell 7, Buchanan 7, Wililamson 7, Lobwein 6 (Jenkins 6) Swan 8, Lindsay 8, Mulvey 7, Marley 6, Leatham 6, Bull 6 (Humphries 6).
COACH: Ian Fagan.

IPSWICH UNITED: Bennett 7, Graham 6, Warren 6, Goodman 6, McKeand 7, Dan 7, Beckwith 7, Vogler 6, Kelly 7, Kitching 8, Bradford 8 (Gibb 6).
COACH: Matt Carson.

REFEREE: Barry Norton 8.

TARINGA ROVERS 1 v REDLANDS UTD. 2 at Perry Park

SCORERS: Taringa: Phil Mulvey
Redlands Utd.: Bevan Bohan, Barry Kelso.

MAN OF THE MATCH: Barry Kelso (Redlands Utd.)

TARINGA: Elwood 6, Greer 6, Darrington 6, Watson 7, Wilkinson 7, Peterson 6, Ash 7, Fairclough 6 (McColl 7), Mulvey 6, Ratcliffe 6 (Hornby 7) Daunt 6.
COACH: Iain Kesson.

REDLANDS UTD.: Harrison 7, McGravie 6 (Meulen 6), Mitchell 7, Curran 7, Burns 6, White 6, Van Win 7, Parsons 6, Bohan 7, Millman 7, Kelso 7. **COACH:** Steve Perry.

REFEREE: Gordon Nicholson 7.

ROCHEDALE v LIONS

Postponed to Wednesday June 3.

MT. GRAVATT v OLYMPIC UTD.

Match postponed.

COALSTARS 4 v GRANGE THISTLE 0 at Bundamba

SCORERS: Coalstars: Rob Clarke (2), Ian Lawrie, Dale Dawes.

MAN OF THE MATCH: Rob Clarke (Coalstars)

COALSTARS: Wishart 7, Caldwell 7, Lawrie 8, McFarlane 8, Byrne 7, Dawes 8, Ogden 7, Freiberg 7, (Carroll 5), Weston 7, (McCafferty 5), Penman 7, Clarke 8.
COACH: Brian Styles.

GRANGE THISTLE: Marshall 6, Ribone 7, Walker 7, Hermiston 6, Burr 7, Anslie 7, Pagan 6, Chamberlain 6, (Rackley 5), King 6, Dolan 5 (Sommerville 5), Ramsay 6.
COACH: Joe Gilroy.

REFEREE: Henry Marron 7.

EASTS 3 v AZZURRI BRIS. CITY 1 at Heath Park

SCORERS: Easts: Bruce Rehbock, Phil Redmond, Chris Fegan.
Azzurri: Cooper.

MAN OF THE MATCH: Phil Redmond (Easts)

EASTS: Lindsay 7, Rehbock 7, (Patterson 6), Gordon 7, Scott 8, Melville 8, Playle 7, Grodum 7, Redmond 8, Thompson 7, Fegan 7, (Green 6), Mylonas 7.
COACH: John Sime.

AZZURRI B. C.: Evans 5, Salvatore 6, Archer 5, (Cahut 6), Vasquez 7, Chapman 6, Swan 6, Lettieri 6, Cooper 7, Nugent 6, (Mejias 6), Burgess 7, Gugliemino 6.
COACH: Juan Cuttillas.

REFEREE: Bill Monteverde 8.

XXXX LEAGUE — ROUND 8 REDLANDS UTD. v MT. GRAVATT

Showgrounds, Saturday, 2.45 p.m.

Referee: MORRIE DELLER

TEAMS

If Mount Gravatt are to maintain their hopes of success this season, then this is a game they must win — and win well.

But despite looking infinitely stronger on paper, the Hawks cannot afford to take the Baysiders lightly. Bevan Bohan will be keen to go well against his old club while Ron Millman and Eric Thompson have exchanged blows in their columns of late.

Both these clubs fared badly in relation to the timing of the Q'land tour and it will be a bonus to get out of the match without losing any points. One of the highlights of the match could be big Barry Kelso and the experienced Millman testing the young Hawks backline which includes teenagers Damien Butler and Domenic Tonel.

There is certain to be plenty of feeling in the match and the longer Redlands can hold the Hawks, the more chance they will have of an upset.

REDLANDS UTD.	MOUNT GRAVATT
1 R. HARRISON	1 MARK PICKUP
2 ROSS McGRAVIE	2 GLENN REES
3 MARK CURRAN	3 A. BALDASSI
4 STEVE PERRY	4 DAVID COSTA
5 JASON BURNS	5 TOM McGREGOR
6 BEVAN BOHAN	6 CAMERON BELL
7 RICHARD VAN WIN	7 MARK HAIRSINE
8 MICK ROBERTS	8 HARRY STEWART
9 RON MILLMAN	9 LEN POLLOCK
10 STEVE PARSONS	10 CRAIG DICKSON
11 BARRY KELSO	11 MICK SINN
12 P. MITCHELL	12 JOHN DENHAM
13 C. DANGERFIELD	13 ROSS PEACHEY
14 K. SCHIMKAT	14 DAMIEN BUTLER
15 S. MEULEN	15 MARTIN KIRSOPP
16 R. LAYCOCK	16 DOMENIC TONEL
17	17
20 M. HASTINGS	20 J. MIDDLETON
Coach: Steve Perry	Coach: Eric Thompson

Scores: H.T. F.T.

Scorers:

GRANGE THISTLE v TARINGA R.

Lanham Park, Saturday, 6 p.m.

Referee: TONY SLATER

TEAMS

When it comes to the term "battlers" — in many ways Grange T. and Taringa typify the expression.

The two sides are mostly a bunch of amateur kids playing in a semi-professional league. But that is a tribute in itself. Both teams are among the real fighters of the competition.

Iain Kesson and Joe Gilroy and George Pagan have done well to build their sides without having the use of a big cheque-book and anything their two sides achieve this season will have been done on guts and for a love of the game.

But because of the similarities, both sides will see each other as a team that potentially they can beat and take a much-needed two points. That should ensure this game is a tough, grafting affair.

Unless form changes, there shouldn't be too many goals, and the first to net could win.

Next games: Mt. Gravatt v Grange T.
Taringa R. v Ipswich Utd.

GRANGE THISTLE	TARINGA R.
1 ROSS SMITH	1 STEVE ELWOOD
2 JOHN RIBONE	2 MARK GREER
3 SCOTT WALKER	3 G. DARRINGTON
4 J. HERMISTON	4 STEVE WATSON
5 JASON BURR	5 CRAIG McCOLL
6 MARK BLAKENEY	6 MARK GILBERT
7 COLIN AINSLIE	7 DAVID ASH
8 ALISTAIR PAGAN	8 GREG SWADLING
9 SCOTT RACKLEY	9 PHIL MULVEY
10 R. CHAMBERLAIN	10 M. RATCLIFFE
11 DAVID PAYNE	11 CALVIN DAUNT
12 DAVID KING	12 MARK HORNBY
13 GERRY KAY	13 C. WILKINSON
14 STEVE DOLAN	14 M. FAIRCLOUGH
15 STEVEN KLUSS	15 CARL PETERSON
16 A. SOMMERVILLE	16 MARK GILROY
17	17
20 GREG MARSHALL	20 PETER SPEARE
Coach: Joe Gilroy	Coach: Iain Kesson

Scores: H.T. F.T.

Scorers:

XXXX LEAGUE — ROUND 8 OLYMPIC UTD. v ROCHEDALE R.

Goodwin Park, Sunday, 2.45 p.m.

Olympic United were in stunning form on the last appearance at Goodwin Park — slamming five goals past Taringa.

It was Olympic's best performance in a long time and a credit to player-coach Mike Milovanovic. The Olympic supporters, who thrive on football will no doubt turn out in force at home this weekend and will be expecting a goal feast again.

And Rochedale may be a bit rusty, having missed last weekend's fixture against Lions.

Both these sides have mid-week Ampol Cup games though and any injury toll could decide the outcome of this match.

Cheetha Vosuga will be the dangerman and is certain to test the sometimes brittle Rovers defence. Vosuga shoots from anywhere but then so too does Rochedale's blond bombshell Jim Kelly. It could be a game for thrilling goals.

Next games: Olympic U. v Redlands
Rochedale v Easts

Referee: GARTH GOODWIN

TEAMS

OLYMPIC UTD. 1 JON PETIE 2 ANDREW LAMBI 3 BILL MYLONAS 4 MICK CERNAKA 5 M. MILOVANOVIC 6 CHEETHA VOSUGA 7 A. PHOTINOS 8 PAUL BARRY 9 S. GLOCKNER 10 GRAHAM WILSON 11 NICK MORIC 12 MILOS STRUGAR 14 M. MAKRIDAKIS 15 JON KITCHING 16 JIM BELLAS 19 H. TSOUMBARIS 20 ELMER BEDIA 21 GORDON OTTO Coach: M. Milovanovic	ROCHEDALE R. 1 BOBBY COX 2 CHRIS COOTES 3 STU HOLMES 4 STEVE DONALD 5 GARY ELWOOD 6 BILL WALLACE 7 GERRY McMAHON 8 IVAN FRKOVIC 9 GARY IRELAND 10 JIM KELLY 11 CRAIG LOW 12 JOHN McNAIRN 13 DON HAWTHORNE 14 JOHN ADAMSON 15 ALAN HUGHES 16 MICHAEL KENT 17 20 BRUCE QUINN Coach: Eddie Spearritt
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Scores: H.T. F.T.

Scorers:

XXXX LEAGUE — ROUND 8 AZZURRI BRIS. CITY v NORTH STAR

Spencer Park, Sunday, 2.45 p.m.
This is the first of two consecutive games that North Star must win if their National League aspirations are to be taken seriously.

Referee: PETER MURRAY

TEAMS

AZZURRI B.C. 1 WAYNE EVANS 2 A. SALVATORE 3 GLENN ARCHER 4 ROD VASQUEZ 5 F. MENGOTTI 6 A. CHAPMAN 7 KEN SWAN 8 R. LETTIERI 9 KIERAN COOPER 10 ALF CATALANO 11 JON BURGESS 12 IBRO CAHUT 13 F. GUGLIEMINO 14 M. MEJIAS 15 MARTIN NUGENT 16 ENZO DAGOSTINO 17 20 STU WOODRUFFE Coach: Juan Cutillas	NORTH STAR 1 DAVE GALLAGHER 2 STEVEN ROWELL 3 G. BUCHANAN 4 B. WILLIAMSON 5 DANNY LOBWEIN 6 ROSS SWAN 7 GERRY LINDSAY 8 MICK MULVEY 9 ALAN MARLEY 10 JARROD AUSTIN 11 ANDY WATSON 12 COLIN SIMPSON 13 PAT LEATHAM 14 S. HUMPHRIES 15 CLIVE JENKINS 16 HOWARD BULL 17 P. HADDOW 20 NOEL LORD Coach: Iain Fagan
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Scores: H.T. F.T.

Scorers:

The club undoubtedly has the depth and is building the club structure to possibly make a go of the NSL. But Azzurri and Lions are the sides that have been there and North Star plays both over the coming fortnight.

North Star coach Iain Fagan has proved to be an excellent motivator and he will stress to his charges that this is the game in which they can really make a name for themselves.

Azzurri's Juan Cutillas though has been working quietly at Spencer Park, and considering his available staff, has done extremely well to get the team placed so high in the table so early in the season. But if City want honours this season, this is one match they must win. Two points here certainly would help erase the memory of their loss to Lions in their last home appearance.

Next games: Coalstars v Azzurri
North Star v Lions

IPSWICH UTD. v COALSTARS

Ebbw Vale, Sunday, 2.45 p.m.

TEAMS

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 McCCLURE 15 R. BECKWITH 16 17 20 PAUL McCCLURE Coach: Matt Carson	COALSTARS 1 KIM WISHART 2 KEVIN CALDWELL 3 IAN LAWRIE 4 STU WESTON 5 ALAN McFARLANE 6 FRANK BYRNE 7 DALE DAWES 8 ANDREW OGDEN 9 MARK BRUSASCO 10 DAVE WHEELER 11 D. FREIBERG 12 M. McNAUGHTON 13 BRUCE PENMAN 14 GARY CARROLL 15 DAVID MANN 16 ROB CLARKE 17 M. KITCHING 20 ASTON BELL Coach: Brian Styles
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Scores: H.T. F.T.

Scorers:

Referee: BILL MONTEVERDE

The recent intercity match showed the fighting spirit of the Ipswich players and it should be on display again in this much-awaited derby.

Table positions and recent form will mean little in this clash which is certain to be a battle from the first whistle to the last kick. Coalstars will have state team strikers Dave Wheeler and Mark Brusasco back in their side, but it remains to be seen whether they are jaded from the tough tour or carrying any injuries.

Ipswich United's Peter Vogler will again be out to prove that he should have gone to New Zealand and will be keen to get among the goals.

Ipswich United showed that they can play as well as anyone in the League when they downed Lions recently. But their following effort against Easts showed their inconsistency.

Coalstars have regained some form and this is set to be a typical derby.
Next games: Taringa R. v Ipswich U.
Coalstars v Azzurri B.C.

LIONS v EASTS

Perry Park, Monday, 8.30 p.m.

TEAMS

LIONS 1 ROB FARROW 2 KEITH MARSH 3 M. MALLETT 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	EASTS 1 S. LINDSAY 2 PAUL MYLONAS 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 BRUCE REHBOCK 16 BRAD RYAN 17 MARTIN GREEN 20 MARK DAVIS Coach: John Sime
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Scores: H.T. F.T.

Scorers:

Referee: KEN ADRIAANSEN

Will Lions be suffering from post-tour blues?

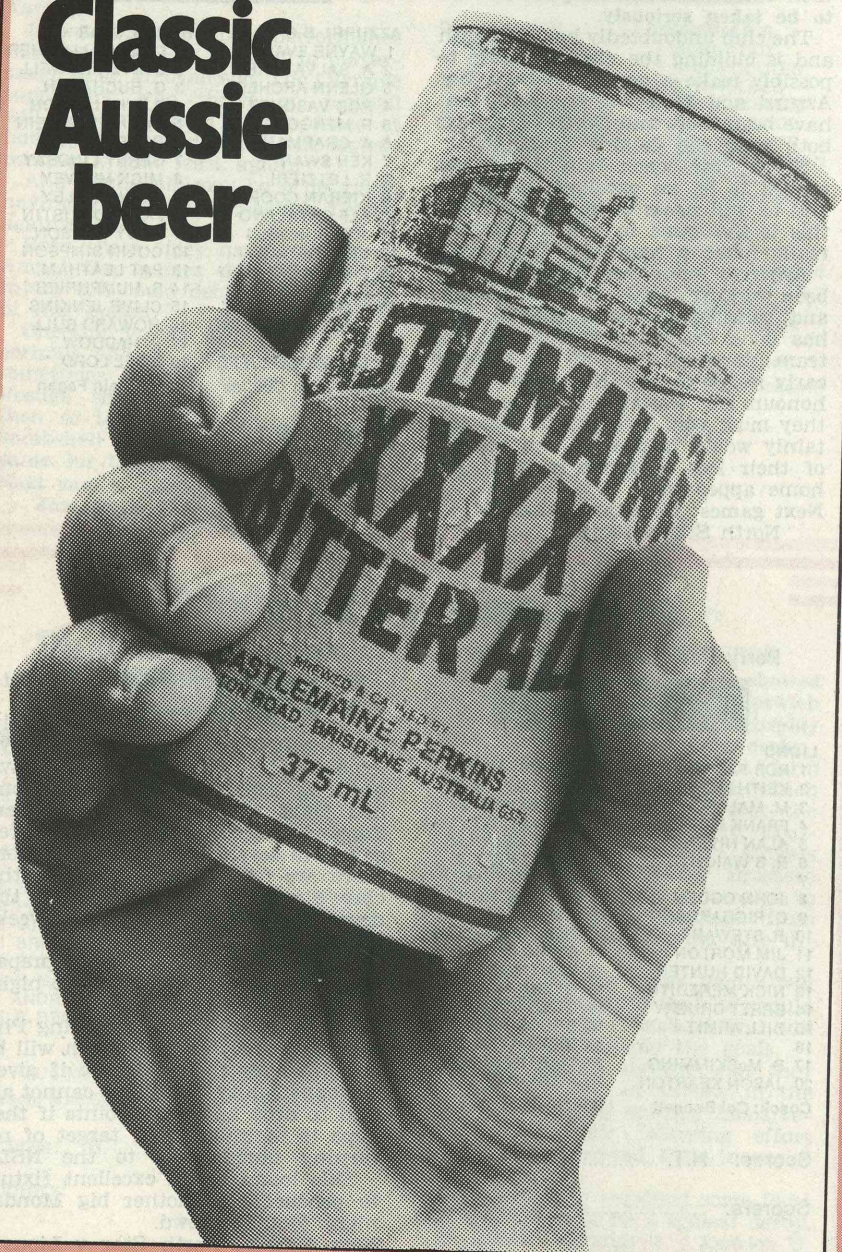
The past has shown repeatedly that the Richlands team always plays lethargically after its players have been on representative duty. Lions had eight players on duty in New Zealand and some have played three games in seven days. By comparison, there are four or five others at the club who have not played since the derby with Brisbane City two weeks ago.

It's certainly not the ideal preparation for a match against the high-riding Easts.

A number of Tigers, including Phil Redmond and Jim McDonagh will be keen to bury their old club if given the opportunity. But Lions cannot afford to drop any more points if they hope to maintain their target of returning immediately to the NSL.

This looms as an excellent fixture to produce yet another big Monday night football crowd.
Next Games: North Star v Lions
Rochedale R. v Easts

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