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Mark Brusasco took the punishment and Gerry Lindsay the glory as Queensland stretched its unbeaten run to 10 games with a scoreless draw against Fiji in the opening game of the three-match series.

Brusasco was the lone forward in Bruce Stowell's revolutionary line-up selected to sound out the Fijians strengths and weaknesses without losing the opening game. Stowell selected a five-man midfield and it was Lindsay who anchored the team and ensured the Maroons dominated the centre of the park.

The Queensland team was: Evans, Williamson, Perry, Greenhalgh, Buchanan, Cockbain (Cooper 71st), McDermott, Lindsay, Ireland, Cahut (Chapman 10th), Brusasco.

Eight of the 12 who got on the park were making their State team debuts, which further highlights the team's excellent effort. While the youngsters gave their all, it was the older heads who led the way. In addition to Lindsay and Brusasco, captain Steve Perry led by example, Billy Williamson showed new talents as a rightback and goalkeeper Wayne Evans underlined his current good form with a faultless and often brave performance.

The only disappointment from the result was the injury to Ibro Cahut,



Brisbane City's Kieran Cooper, in action with NSW's Socceroo fullback Graham Jennings during the 1986 interstate clash. Cooper is hoping to use this week's tour of Fiji to consolidate his position in the Queensland squad.

who was not expected to play again on tour. Cahut was cut down in a late tackle just 10 minutes into the game.

But as a lone frontrunner, Brusasco had little chance of scoring against the five-man Fiji defence but the big Coalstars striker still played some delightful touches although was constantly fouled, kicked and trampled by his markers.

Lindsay's football repeatedly drew loud applause from the big crowd and his distribution and ball-winning stood him apart from any other midfielder on the park. After the match Stowell conceded that while he never sends a team out to play for a draw, he had selected his five-man midfield with the intention of ensuring the Maroons at the very least shared the spoils.

"It was very important in the first game that myself and the team got the chance to assess the Fijians and with that in mind I was prepared to give a bit of penetration away in this game. But there could be a few changes now that I have seen them play," Stowell said.

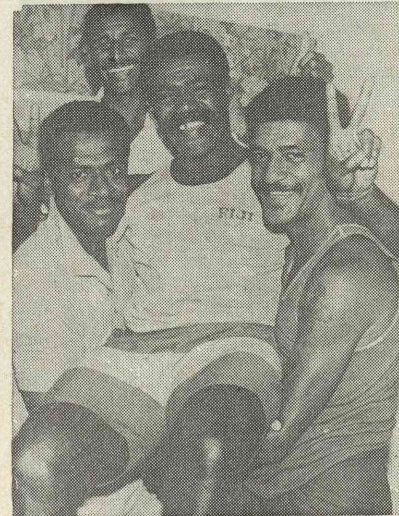
While the entire camp was bubbling after the draw, it was Lindsay who carried the widest smile.

"For a while there I thought that representing the State again has passed me by. But now I am in the team I want to stay there for the interstate clash," said Lindsay, whose last appearance in the Maroon was in the 2-2 draw with AC Milan at Perry Park in 1980.

It was Fijian coach Billy Singh who had the last, and most significant word about this new, young Queensland side. It was Singh who coached the Fiji team which beat Queensland 2-1 on the opening match of the 1985 tour — The Maroons last loss.

"This side is better than the one that toured in 1985," Singh said.

NEWS REPORT



Some of the Fijian soccer stars who are hoping to finish this week with a series win over the touring Queensland team.

POINTS TO PONDER

Who is the most popular player on tour? Gold Coast striker Paul Cockbain certainly has had a few people whispering in his ear in recent days and a move on his return to Queensland would not surprise. Blue could be one of the colours of his new shirt if he opts to leave the Coast.

The Queensland team medical experts are yet to come up with a reason why, but in the pre-tour medicals Kieran Cooper's resting pulse was 84 beats per minute and after a step-up test it went DOWN to 78. The fittest in the team, according to the tests, were believed to be Easts' Stein Grodum, Mount Gravatt's Gary Ireland, and City goalkeeper Wayne Evans.

Don't be surprised if a well-known player who switched clubs this season is on the move again soon — and his former club could be the destination.

There is a long way to go yet but some very interesting plans are being formulated at Spencer Park to be quickly put into action should the Club get back into the NSL. Those at City putting together the plan of attack have taken particular note of the problems encountered this year by Lions and believe they have the answers.

A ref's life is a hazardous one. One official was nearly run down by a horse at Goodwin Park recently when it took fright during the onset of a storm.

One XXXX League coach must be an avid reader of our "Thommo" column. Last week's edition of Go Soccer had only been off the presses a few hours when he rang Eric to voice his opinion over an item in the column.

FRONT COVER: Queensland striker Mark Brusasco, who is touring Fiji with the Maroons this week.

A NEW AWARD FOR TOURISTS

A Player of the Tour award will be announced at the conclusion of the Queensland team's tour of Fiji this week.

The award will be judged on the player who is considered to have given the most outstanding contribution to the entire tour. Although the award will be announced at the end of the tour, the presentation will be made at this year's Queensland Soccer Press Association's annual dinner, to be held at Perry Park a fortnight after the grand final.

The announcement of the award is a further incentive for those players picked to wear the Maroon. The award is similar to the George Roberts Memorial award which is presented to the most outstanding Queensland player in the annual interstate clash with NSW.

EDITORIAL

By Go Soccer Editor
GEOFF STEAD

The forthcoming restructuring of the Australian Soccer Federation is one of the most significant tasks ever undertaken by the code.

Undoubtedly the present structure of the ASF, and in particular the unaccountability of decisions made by some state delegates, must be reviewed and a more streamline and modern approach taken. It will not be an easy task pulling apart what has stood for so long. The QSF's own restructuring of several years ago proved that, with several decision causing considerable heartache and protest.

But for the most part, the decisions made were right ones and the XXXX League and lower division competitions are now strong leagues and for once, promotion and relegation seems to be working in the interests of the code. The best clubs are now in the XXXX League or about to force their way in.

What is of more concern now is the apparent failure to continue the restructuring into the administrative side of the code. Most agreed that the Council of Clubs was a cumbersome body and that the ma-

nagement committee was being burdened with many trivial items which were cutting into their efforts to run soccer. It was proposed to split the managing bodies into two — one for the semi-professional clubs (or those in the higher divisions) and another to run the affairs of the lower division and essentially amateur clubs.

The Council of Clubs could still be retained, but meeting far less. A board, comprising representatives of the various sub-committees — semi-clubs, amateurs, referees, juniors, women etc., would replace the management committee. That was the proposal. It may not be the best final solution, but at least when the proposal was being touted minds were being activated and steps were being taken to ensure the administration of soccer kept pace with the code's growth.

But all such moves seem to have fallen by the wayside.

By QSF Executive Director
ALAN VESSEY

ACROSS MY DESK

Those that read the QSF management committee meeting minutes would have recently seen an item detailing the return to Queensland soccer of \$20,000 through our marketing arm.

This money, which is shared out to all sections of the Queensland game — including seniors, juniors and women — is the 1987 total of royalties paid by companies whose QSF Marketing endorsed products were purchased by those within our code.

While the return is again a substantial increase on the previous year, on the information we have collated, it represents less than half of what the code could earn if their was 100% compliance to the scheme.

Everyone within soccer must realise that by buying endorsed products, which are essentially goods of necessity such as jerseys, shorts and soccer balls — money comes back into the code. Unless the clubs can totally back the scheme, the QSF may have to look at ways of ensuring 100 percent compliance.

It makes common sense to support the scheme, because in the end — as the \$20,000 payment partially shows, the cost of soccer is reduced.

THOMMO



with
ERIC THOMPSON

TALKING

Should we pay \$150,000 for Diego Maradona — yes! But the Australian Soccer Federation and the paying spectators should not have to foot the entire bill.

The Gold Cup is a Bicentennial event and the presence of Diego Maradona would focus worldwide attention on the tournament and the fact that we are celebrating 200 years.

Therefore the Government and the Bicentennial Authority must be involved. Money should be forwarded to the ASF to help attract Maradona, and that is on top of any received so far to stage the event.

And Foreign Affairs Minister, Bill Hayden, should approach the Argentine Government and Maradona to outline the importance to Australia of him attending.

If Argentina send a team without Maradona to this Bicentennial event, it would be akin to a country sending an 18ft tinnie with a 50hp Merc on the back to the Tall Ships sailpast.

What can be done to put Brisbane Lions back on the tracks and turn them into a National League force?

That's the question on everyone's lips and at this stage I don't have the magical answer that would change things overnight.

But their current plight I think highlights what I said a long time ago. Any re-entry into the National League had to be by a "united" Brisbane team — not just a club side.

Lions are in an injury crisis at the moment and can't call on anyone. And if they go buying, it will be a seller's market.

If Lions can see this current rough patch through, and I sincerely hope they do, then they have got to look to the future

and change the rules. They have got to have a big squad, with the players not required going back into the local competition until they get a call-up.

As a coach, I know it would be extremely disrupting if I lost a player or two to Lions for the weekend. But in the end I would have to ask myself who was most important in the interest of the code?

We have either got to be in the National League boots and all, or not at all.

A losing Lions is no good to Queensland soccer and the sooner we can help them, the better.

I don't want to be seen as critical of the XXXX Super 6 because I think the tournament is a tremendous idea — but is it priced out of the reach of the family man?

I realise it is expensive to hire Boondall and bring top English teams to Australia. But the average family man could find himself out of pocket for nearly \$100 if he wanted to take his clan to a qualifying night and the finals night.

In all the advertising for the tournament, the ticket pricing has been kept quiet. Perhaps the organisers could promote series tickets or even offer clubs discounts for multiple bookings.

I would have thought it would have made good sense to get the public hooked at a reasonable price first-up and re-examine the ticket prices in future years.

Perhaps Bob White could let me know the cheapest way for a family man to go to the tournament and I will certainly publicise it here next week.

WITH AUSTRALIAN SOCCER FEDERATION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, BRIAN EMERY

GO SOCCER: You have been chosen by FIFA to help co-ordinate a group in the Olympic soccer competition — a similar job to what you did in the World Cup in Mexico in 1986. You must feel proud to be chosen, and what does the job involve?

BRIAN EMERY: First of all I am extremely proud to be chosen, they only picked four from all around the world, all who were among the six in Mexico. The job involved is that there are four groups of four in the Olympics. The job will be working with one of those groups with the local committee set up by the Korean Football Association. It includes the co-ordination of all aspects of the tournament within that city. For example, we will go in 10 days before the tournament and meet the police regarding security, look at accommodation, training facilities, the co-ordination of the referees, how they move in, where they move in, where they stay and the same with the teams. I will have a technical committee and will allocate someone to write a technical report on the group. I will assist them with getting the information so they can attend training with the teams and interview the coaches. There is a medical committee that comes in as well. I am allocated a doctor. The doctor then does similar things such as tests on the teams. So it's the co-ordination of the local organising committee, using FIFA rules and FIFA staff. There also is a media person from FIFA who will come in prior to supervise the press centre both at the stadium and the city. Through him, I will make sure all the facilities for that go through. The job starts 10 days before when we are taken in and given a series of lectures on all aspects — 20 minutes per subject for about three days, so we go through around about 15 to 20 subjects a day. We would cover around about 60, 70 maybe 80 items prior to being sent out to our group.

GS: FIFA is expected to stage a review of the Oceania Confederation. In what way would you like the confederation to be re-structured?

BE: Firstly on the re-structure approach — let's say we've got a competition with 39 teams here in Brisbane and you say okay, how do we cut that up and play-off? If you said we are going to put 33 in one division and six in the other division and then the winners would play off — you would have a riot, you really would. FIFA drew the lines in the dirt and said these are confederations. There are 33 countries in Asia, six in Oceania. There is something like 35 percent of the world's population live in Asia. Something like 0.49 percent of the world's population live in Oceania. It is not a fair cut up.

So when we say we should have a direct representative through to the World Cup and the Olympics, the 42 countries in Africa say "hey, we only get two representatives, why should you have one direct?" It's hard to argue against numbers. Therefore, it's not FIFA that's wrong. FIFA drew the lines in the dirt — rub the lines out, let's get new boundaries and let's get a fair go. Now, what I would like to see is to modify the approach now in Asia, who have two qualifiers to any FIFA competitions — but the Arab end of Asia do not play the other end of Asia. They have two representatives, one from each. Why not make it three? Why not include us in competitions? I am not necessarily saying everything else, (should be linked with Oceania) but as far as I am concerned, the players come first and therefore it is all about competitions. Why don't we have South Korea, Japan, the Philippines, Indonesia, Hong Kong, Singapore, Brunei added into our region so we have a direct representative? They could still remain members of Asia because they are Asian people. But when it comes to competitions link them with Oceania. It has now happened in the world Youth Cup — the first and second in Oceania have to play the third and fourth in Asia to get a spot in the finals in Saudi Arabia. I think that is getting close to fairness. That's what I would like to see.

GS: Sir Arthur George has said he will retire this year. Do you see the transition as a traumatic affair and can Sir Arthur's successor come from outside Sydney or Melbourne?

BE: The first part, I hope it is not too traumatic because of the re-organisations leading into it. There has been a lot of reliance on Sir Arthur. Because of his nature, he has tended to dominate completely. People have a great deal of respect, they don't argue, they sit back and say yes. We are now finding ourselves with a hole we have to fill. How? With regards to his successor coming outside from Sydney or Melbourne I see no reasons why not. I mean there are eight states in the federation, the votes vary a bit, that's on history. It's going to cause a change, a distinct change and I hope it will become a lot more business like and not so autocratic as it has been run in the past.

GS: The ASF has sought submissions from the states and others on the future re-structuring of the ASF and NSL. What kind of ideas have you received and which direction do you think should be taken?

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BE: What they have done, the first one, starting at the top — the membership situation regarding each state being members and determining policy, no-one has queried that at all. They said "yes", the policy should come from the grass-roots level, the states, that's what it is all about. With regards from moving from that policy-making area to the management area, there are proposals that maybe we should have a titular head. Sir Arthur or someone else, as president but not with any extra powers at all — just a spokesman, a figurehead to open doors. It is proposed then to create the position of chairman to take over the duties of Sir Arthur. Most states have agreed to have a small management committee of 4 or 5 and those persons to be responsible and to be accountable. It's not good that they all collectively sit there and represent their states and individually no-one is responsible, that's wrong. And I believe that is what will alter in the re-structure. For example, say Jack Reilly, could be responsible entirely for finance and I don't think we could get anybody better because of his nature to do that sort of thing. So they're the aspects that are changing. Moving down into the NSL, we haven't had a great deal of suggestions from the NSL. When the re-structure was mooted someone said the NSL is involved, let's call for submissions. It's quite ironic, every state has put their views on what the NSL should do, the NSL proposals has told us what the ASF should do. There is a tendency towards the franchise system, but the franchise system went broke in America and there is no national competition in America because it was based on franchise to start with. Traditionally we have state-based organisations so perhaps the states could be responsible for the NSL clubs. I would tend to think that would be the way to go for any sort of change, with a view at looking at within the next three to four years, the franchise system.

GS: Considering Queensland's Bruce Stowell did an excellent job with the Australian Under 16's in China and Canada, in not nominating to be assistant coach for the 1989 campaign after being overlooked for the head coach job, in your opinion, has Stowell closed the door for a national team appointment or will there be other opportunities?

BE: I think Bruce is too good to lose. I don't think there is any thought whatsoever that he has closed any doors. He said he didn't wish to be assistant coach for the

under 16's. It was a loss, yes, he did a great job. Did he, or was he doing any better job as an assistant than say Eddie Thomson is doing with the senior team? We have a tendency in Australia, which I don't like, where the coach of a team tends to dominate everything. It's a team job off the field and the coach and the assistant coach and the physio are just as important. I don't think that it should close the door at all. I hope Bruce doesn't think that way because he's too good to lose. Maybe the next opening for Bruce might be the job as Australia's first indoor soccer coach. I don't know. He's extremely well respected in all states and the ASF. But keep in mind, it was Bruce's decision not to stand as assistant coach for the Under 16's, not the ASF's.

A recent article in Australian soccer weekly was critical of a referee's decision over an incident in which a player spoke in a foreign language.

The article has prompted the following clarification of policy from Australian Soccer Referees Federation president, Dieter Klose and National Referees coach Les Gibson.

"It is very difficult for a referee to control the use of foul and abusive language when uttered in a foreign language unfamiliar to the arbiter. The guidelines are as follows:

When a referee has made a decision and a player pushes towards the referee and remonstrates in a foreign tongue unfamiliar to the official, the player by his body language is evidently not too happy with the decision made and is therefore dissenting and can only be cautioned.

Should the referee understand the vocabulary and to him it is foul and abusive, the player should be sent off. Law 12 does not state the origin of the language.

It would be very unwise to send a player off if the referee is not familiar with the language. Because the player's club could take action against the referee for wrongful dismissal.

GO SOCCER TABLES

XXXX LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Brisbane City	6	5	—	1	18	7	15
Mount Gravatt	6	3	2	1	13	11	11
East	5	3	1	1	13	6	10
Grange Thistle	6	3	1	2	10	7	10
North Star	5	3	1	1	12	10	10
Coalstars	7	3	1	3	15	16	10
Taringa R.	7	3	—	4	16	12	9
Olympic U.	5	3	—	2	7	4	9
Redlands U.	6	2	1	3	8	11	7
Rochdale R.	7	2	—	5	8	15	6
Ipswich U.	6	1	1	4	7	15	4
Bris. Croatia	6	1	—	5	6	19	3

XXXX RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Brisbane City	6	5	1	—	21	3	16
Grange Thistle	6	5	1	—	17	3	16
Coalstars	7	4	1	2	19	10	13
Taringa R.	7	4	1	2	13	9	13
Mount Gravatt	7	4	—	3	11	12	12
Redlands U.	6	3	1	2	11	14	10
North Star	5	3	—	2	13	4	9
Rochdale R.	7	3	—	4	11	15	9
Olympic U.	6	1	1	4	9	14	4
East	5	1	—	4	5	14	3
Ipswich U.	6	—	2	4	9	16	2
Bris. Croatia	6	—	—	6	1	26	—

XXXX LEAGUE LEADING SCORERS

7 Goals: K. Cooper (Bris. C.);
5 Goals: S. Rackley (G. This.), C. Daunt (C'stars), M. Gilroy (Tar.), G. F. Ireland (Redlands).
4 Goals: W. Corbett (Eas.), L. Dines (Tar.), T. McGregor (Mt.G.);
3 Goals: P. Mulvey (Nth.St.), J. McDonagh (Nth.St.), S. Glockner (Oly.U.), S. Ireland (Mt.G.), B. Kitching (Ips.U.), C. Fegan (Tar.), L. Scriggins (Bris.C.), C. Low (Roch.), M. Clarkson (Roch.).

XXXX THIRDS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
East	6	5	1	—	13	3	16
Grange Thistle	5	4	1	—	18	2	13
Coalstars	7	4	1	2	12	6	13
Taringa R.	7	4	1	2	18	15	13
Rochdale R.	7	3	3	1	15	9	12
North Star	6	3	2	1	23	6	11
Redlands U.	6	3	1	2	16	13	10
Brisbane City	7	1	3	3	6	11	6
Mount Gravatt	6	1	1	4	6	13	4
Olympic U.	6	1	—	5	5	26	3
Ipswich U.	6	—	1	5	8	21	1
Bris. Croatia	5	—	1	4	3	18	1

XXXX COLTS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Brisbane City	7	6	1	—	27	6	19
Mount Gravatt	7	3	4	—	11	8	13
North Star	6	4	—	2	22	8	12
Taringa R.	6	2	3	1	14	9	9
Grange Thistle	6	2	2	2	12	7	8
Redlands U.	5	2	2	1	9	5	8
Bris. Croatia	6	2	2	2	10	13	8
Ipswich U.	5	2	1	2	6	7	7
Coalstars	6	1	3	2	6	10	6
Rochdale R.	7	1	2	4	4	22	5
Olympic U.	7	1	1	5	13	20	4
East	6	—	1	5	7	26	1

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Brisbane City	26	17	5	4	72	27	56
Grange Thistle	23	14	5	4	57	19	47
Taringa R.	27	13	5	9	61	45	44
North Star	22	13	3	6	70	28	42
Coalstars	27	12	6	9	52	42	42
Mount Gravatt	26	11	7	8	41	44	40
Redlands U.	23	10	5	8	44	43	35
Rochdale R.	28	9	5	14	38	61	32
East	22	9	3	10	38	49	30
Olympic U.	24	6	2	16	34	64	20
Ipswich U.	23	3	5	15	30	59	14
Bris. Croatia	23	3	3	17	20	76	12

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 \$1,000 voucher from Bain Dawes Insurance Pty. Ltd.

The leading scorer at the end of the fixtures will receive a prize as to be announced soon by the Queensland Soccer Federation. In the event of a tie, the winner will be decided on a countback of the most goals scored in one game.

DIVISION TWO

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Pine Rivers	7	5	2	—	14	1	17
Acacia Ridge	6	4	2	—	12	3	14
Newmarket	6	3	3	—	12	7	12
Bardon	6	4	—	2	10	7	12
Lions	6	3	2	1	16	4	11
Nerang	6	3	1	2	12	8	10
Mitchelton	7	3	—	4	7	14	9
Inala City	6	2	1	3	5	5	7
The Gap	7	1	3	3	8	14	6
Wynnum	7	1	2	4	9	12	5
Valley Trident	7	1	2	4	5	13	5
Capalaba	7	—	—	7	1	23	—

DIVISION TWO RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Inala City	6	6	—	—	31	4	18
Acacia Ridge	6	5	1	—	17	5	16
Nerang	6	4	1	1	16	4	13
Newmarket	7	3	2	2	14	11	11
Lions	6	3	2	1	12	11	11
Wynnum	7	3	2	2	10	11	11
The Gap	7	3	1	3	14	11	10
Pine Rivers	7	2	3	2	17	24	9
Bardon	7	2	1	4	9	12	7
Mitchelton	7	—	2	5	4	14	2
Valley Trident	7	—	2	5	6	22	2
Capalaba	7	—	1	6	6	27	1

DIVISION TWO THIRDS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Lions	6	6	—	—	30	4	18
Wynnum	7	5	2	—	22	2	17
The Gap	7	4	—	3	15	11	12
Pine Rivers	7	3	2	2	17	20	11
Inala City	7	2	4	1	15	5	10
Newmarket	6	2	2	2	9	11	8
Valley Trident	7	2	2	3	10	15	8
Mitchelton	7	2	2	3	10	15	8
Nerang	6	2	—	4	11	18	6
Capalaba	7	2	—	5	8	23	6
Acacia Ridge	7	1	2	4	11	13	5
Bardon	6	1	—	5	4	25	3

DIVISION THREE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Lutwyche U.	7	6	1	—	15	4	19
Kingsridge	7	5	—	2	23	9	15
Annerley	6	3	2	1	7	5	11
St. Albans	6	3	1	2	9	8	10
Willowburn	5	3	—	2	13	8	9
Beenleigh	7	3	—	4	9	11	9
Goodna	5	2	2	1	7	8	8
University Qld.	6	2	—	4	6	7	6
Redcliffe C.	7	1	3	3	9	11	6
Souths U.	6	1	2	3	8	14	5
Slacks Creek	6	1	1	4	6	14	4
Oxley U.	6	1	—	5	5	18	3

DIVISION THREE RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Souths U.	6	6	—	—	20	4	18
Beenleigh	7	5	—	2	13	10	15
University Qld.	6	4	1	1	14	3	13
Kingsridge	7	4	1	2	17	9	13
Annerley	6	4	—	2	8	6	12
Willowburn	5	3	—	2	11	5	9
St. Albans	6	3	—	3	15	10	9
Slacks Creek	6	2	2	2	9	7	8
Goodna	5	1	—	4	3	10	3
Redcliffe C.	7	1	—	6	1	12	3
Oxley U.	6	1	—	5	3	15	3
Lutwyche U.	7	1	—	6	5	28	3

DIVISION FOUR

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Darra	7	6	—	1	26	9	18
Toowong	6	6	—	—	14	4	18
Kenmore R.	7	5	1	1	16	8	16
Logan City	7	5	—	2	14	12	15
S'side Eagles	6	4	—	2	15	9	12
Brothers U.	6	2	—	4	8	10	6
Albany Creek	7	2	—	5	10	14	6
Samford U.	7	2	—	5	10	14	6
RAAF	7	2	—	5	7	14	6
Moggill U.	7	2	—	5	10	19	6
Leichhardt E.	6	2	—	4	7	16	6
Pine Hills	7	1	1	5	8	16	4

DIVISION FOUR RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Darra	7	6	1	—	42	2	19
Pine Hills	7	6	1	—	23	5	19
Kenmore R.	7	4	1	2	19	10	13
Albany Creek	7	3	3	1	16	7	12
S'side Eagles	6	4	—	2	6	2	12
Samford U.	7	2	2	3	12	22	8
Moggill U.	7	2	2	3	9	20	8
Toowong	6	2	1	3	10	8	7
Logan City	7	2	—	5	9	26	6
Brothers U.	6	2	—	4	5	22	6
RAAF	7	1	1	5	11	28	4
Leichhardt E.	6	—	—	6	5	15	—

DIVISION FIVE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Western Subs.	7	7	—	—	26	8	21
Salisbury	6	5	—	1	17	5	15
Annerley	6	4	2	—	13	7	14
South Star	6	4	1	1	21	10	13
Ind. Yugal	6	4	—	2	16	6	12
Griffith Uni.	7	4	—	3	15	10	12
North Pine	7	3	1	3	16	10	10
Westside	7	1	1	5	17	16	4
Virginia	6	1	1	4	6	11	4
Brighton	7	1	1	5	7	23	4
Ipswich City	6	1	—	5	8	28	3
Bayside U.	7	—	1	6	2	30	1

DIVISION SIX

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Deception Bay	7	7	—	—	41	9	21
Caboolture	7	6	—	1	24	12	18
University Qld.	6	4	1	1	15	8	13
Beenleigh	6	4	—	2	25	13	12
Salisbury	6	4	—	2	17	19	12
Wynnum	6	2	2	2	15	15	8
Newmarket	5	2	2	1	7	10	8
Souths U.	5	2	—	3	8	10	6
Woodridge R.	6	—	3	3	12	20	3
Goodna	7	—	2	5	9	19	2
Virginia	6	—	1	5	8	23	1
Kingsridge U.	7	—	1	6	6	29	1

DIVISION SEVEN

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Acacia Ridge	6	6					

NSL MATCH OF THE DAY

BRISBANE LIONS v FOOTSCRAY

Richlands, Sunday, 2.30 p.m.
Referee: ALAN KIBBLER

TEAMS

Visiting Melbourne club, Footscray, loom as ideal opponents for Lions to balance their goals for and against columns through a big win.

Lions have handed out a number of thrashings to Footscray in past NSL seasons and nothing would boost current team morale than a multi-goal win.

Lions have players in their squad, who if given the chances and service, could go on a goal rampage. Grant Lightbown with his strength and power is always a chance of scoring a bagful and last week Wollongong's John Fleming said the big Kiwi, along with Marconi's David Lowe, were the only strikers to worry the Wolves defence this season.

If Brett Druery can recapture his great goalscoring form of early last season, Lions could post a big win. And on his day, Nick Meredith can score against anyone.

Hopefully this Sunday will be Meredith's and Lions' day.

Next game: May 15 —
MARCONI v LIONS (Sydney)

Next home game: May 22 —
LIONS v SYD. OLYMPIC

LIONS	FOOTSCRAY:
.... J. KEARTON	.... Z. NIKITOVIC
.... A. CUMMINGS	.... L. FABRIZIO
.... F. MENGOTTI	.... G. VAN EGMOND
.... F. LIDDELL	.... T. KARIC
.... A. NIVEN	.... D. DEANKOVIC
.... D. HUNTER	.... BARJAKTAREVIC
.... P. HALFORD	.... K. MURPHY
.... J. OGDEN	.... O. CRINO
.... D. CLARKSON	.... V. BOZINOVSKI
.... P. DWYER	.... M. DIMOSKI
.... G. LIGHTBOWN	.... P. TAPAI
.... P. KERR	.... W. SPINK
.... B. DRUERY	.... Z. LUJIC
.... R. STEWART	.... I. JAMES
.... N. MEREDITH	.... G. MITROVSKI
.... R. B'WAIGHTE	.... E. CAMPBELL
.... D. WHEELER	
.... R. FARROW	

Coch: JUAN CUTILLAS Coch: M. FAZLAGIC

Scores: H.T. F.T.

Scorers:

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National League players do not have set numbers. Teams are numbered 1-11 as per the starting line-up.

NSL TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Marconi	13	7	4	2	26	12	18
Wollongong	12	7	3	2	20	12	17
Sth. Melb.	13	6	4	3	20	20	16
Syd. Croatia	13	7	2	4	18	8	16
Adelaide C.	13	4	6	3	17	15	14
Sunshine	13	5	4	4	19	20	14
Melb. Croatia	13	5	4	4	14	15	14
Olympic	13	4	4	5	13	12	12
Leichhardt	12	5	2	5	16	17	12
St. George	13	5	1	7	22	19	11
Footscray	12	2	6	4	13	13	10
Preston	13	2	6	5	10	16	10
Lions	12	3	2	7	16	24	8
Brunswick	13	1	4	8	13	24	6

LEADING SCORERS

9 goals: Paul Lewis (Melb. Croatia), Frank Farina (Mar.); 7 goals: Steve Maxwell (Adel. C.); 6 goals: Randall Easthorpe (Woll.), Angie Postecoglou (Sth. Melb.); 5 goals: Gary Clark (Sun. GC.), Abbas Saad (Syd. Olym.), Scott Ollershaw (St. George), Charlie Egan (Brun.), Hilton Phillips (Leich), Joe Palatsides (Brun.), Warren Spink (Foot.), Manis Lamond (Syd. Cro.), Zlatko Nasteviski (Mar.), Aurelio Vidmar (Adel. City).



Brisbane Lions captain Frank Liddell in action against Preston moments before his tragic knee injury.

This week's guest tipster is Queensland captain and Redlands captain-coach, Steve Perry. Last week's guest, Grange Thistle's Scott Rackley scored a success rate of 40%. The success rate, including that in the guests' column, is a progressive average.

WHAT THE EXPERTS THINK . . .

MATCH	GEOFF STEAD	FLOYD NANGREAVE	MARK BRIGDEN	STEVE PERRY
XXXX LEAGUE				
Easts v Croatia	EASTS	EASTS	EASTS	EASTS
Redlands U. v Rochedale	DRAW	ROCHEDALE	REDLANDS U.	REDLANDS U.
Grange T. v Ipswich U.	DRAW	DRAW	DRAW	DRAW
Taringa v Mt. Gravatt	MT. GRAVATT	MT. GRAVATT	MT. GRAVATT	MT. GRAVATT
DIVISION TWO				
Bardon v Mitchelton	BARDON	BARDON	DRAW	BARDON
Pine R. v Lions	PINE R.	LIONS	DRAW	PINE R.
Valley T. v Capalaba	VALLEY T.	VALLEY T.	VALLEY T.	VALLEY T.
Wynnum v Nerang	DRAW	WYNNUM	WYNNUM	WYNNUM
Acacia R. v Newmarket	ACACIA R.	ACACIA R.	ACACIA R.	ACACIA R.
Inala C v The Gap	INALA C.	INALA C.	INALA C.	INALA C.
DIVISION THREE				
Souths v Redcliffe	REDCLIFFE	REDCLIFFE	REDCLIFFE	REDCLIFFE
Oxley v Slacks Ck.	DRAW	OXLEY	SLACKS CK.	OXLEY
St. Albans v Kingsridge	KINGSRIDGE	DRAW	KINGSRIDGE	KINGSRIDGE
Annerley v Goodna	ANMERLEY	ANMERLEY	DRAW	GOODNA
Lutwyche v Willowburn	WILLOWBURN	WILLOWBURN	LUTWYCHE	LUTWYCHE
Beenleigh v University	UNIVERSITY	UNIVERSITY	BEENLEIGH	BEENLEIGH
DIVISION FOUR				
Kenmore v RAAF	KENMORE	KENMORE	KENMORE	KENMORE
S. Eagles v Darra	DARRA	DARRA	DARRA	S. EAGLES
Logan C. v Samford	LOGAN CITY	DRAW	LOGAN CITY	LOGAN CITY
Toowong v Leichhardt	TOOWONG	TOOWONG	DRAW	TOOWONG
Pine H. v Albany Ck.	ALBANY CK.	ALBANY CK.	ALBANY CK.	ALBANY CK.
Brothers v Moggill	MOGGILL	DRAW	DRAW	BROTHERS
SUCCESS RATE	43%	59%	47%	48%

RADIO RAVINGS...

The television coverage of soccer has always been less than what the interest in the code deserves and this Saturday on 4EB Soccerworld we will talk to popular sportscaster Bob Buchanan, who has been the victim of yet another television soccer cutback.

It's now Sunday morning without Bob after Channel 7 removed the local soccer segment completely from its weekly sports shop. The talkative Scotsman has never been afraid to speak his mind. So he should have plenty to say this Saturday morning as our special guest on our new hour-long show. If you can't have Bob on a Sunday, listen to him on 4EB Soccerworld this Saturday.

We also will have our usual segments where we discuss the latest overseas news, and preview this week-

by MARK BRIGDEN
and BOB BUTCHARD

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THE XXXX REPORT

BRISBANE CROATIA 0 v TARINGA R. 5 (0-1) at Rocklea

SCORERS: Taringa: Lindsay Dines 2, Mark Gilroy 2, Chris Fegan (pen.)

MAN OF THE MATCH: Mike Savage (Taringa)

BRIS. CROATIA: Beves 3 (Petrovic 5) Puselj 4, C. Valle 6, D. Valle 6, Novack 5, Gerritsen 6, Kelly 6, Eslao 8, Burovanov 6, (Dando 4), Cairney 6, Stipancic 6.

Coach: Tony Ecimovic.

TARINGA R.: Lapa 8, Bray 8, Ash 6, Savage 9, Watson 8, Peterson 6, (McCulloch 6), Fegan 7, Fairclough 7, Swadling 8, Dines 8 (Quinnell 7), Gilroy 8

Coach: Glenn Davis.

Referee: Peter Murray 6.

MT. GRAVATT 2 v GRANGE THISTLE 1 (0-1) at Dittmer Park

SCORERS: Mt. Gravatt: Mark Boyd, Tom McGregor

Grange Thistle: John Ribone.

MAN OF THE MATCH: Mark Hairsine (Mt. Gravatt)

MT. GRAVATT: Pickup 7, Davis 7, Roberts 6, Costa 7, McNeil 7, Hairsine 8, Dickson 7, Stephenson 6 (Boyd 6), McGregor 7, Tonel 5, Peachey 6 (Butler 7).

Coach: Ian Steele.

GRANGE THISTLE: Hobbs 7, Ribone 7, Wilson 6, (Burr 6) G. Heiner 7, Walker 7, D. Heiner 6, Jasch 7, Aiyub 8, Rackley 7, Moli 8, Somerville 7.

Coach: Steve Dolan.

Referee: Alan Kibbler 7.

IPSWICH UTD. 1 v REDLANDS UTD. 1 (1-1) at Ebbw Vale

SCORERS: Ipswich Utd.: Peter Vogler

Redlands Utd.: Gary Ireland

MAN OF THE MATCH: Don Hawthorne (Redlands)

IPSWICH UTD.: P. McClure 6, O'Sullivan 7, Broom 7, McKenna 7, Graham 5, B. Kitching 4 (Gibb 5), R. McKeand 6, Bradford 7, Vogler 7, Smith 6, Beckwith 7.

Coach: Jim Hermiston.

REDLANDS UTD.: Harrison 7, P. Laycock 6, Mitchell 6, Parsons 7, Coleman 7, Van Win 6, Millman 7, Hawthorne 8, R Laycock 6, Carson 6, Ireland 6.

Coach: Steve Perry

Referee: Garth Goodwin 7.

ROCHEDALE 1 v COALSTARS 3 (0-1) at Underwood Park

SCORERS: Coalstars: Calvin Daunt 2, Andy Ogden.

Rochedale: Nev Gooding

MAN OF THE MATCH: Kim Wishart (Coalstars)

ROCHEDALE: Lownds 8, P. Grocott 6, Gooding 7, Donald 6, Blakely 6, Kelly 5, I. Grocott 5, Cootes 5 (Reid 5), Low 7, Clarkson 6, S. Greer 6.

Coach: John Reid.

COALSTARS: Wishart 8, McFarlane 7, Weston 7, Barnard 7, Gilbert 7, Ogden 8, Penman 7, Dawes 8, Byrne 7, Daunt 8, J. Kitching 7.

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XXXX LEAGUE — ROUND 8

EASTS v BRIS. CROATIA

Heath Park, Sunday, 2.45 p.m.

Referee: MORRIE DELLAR

East's coach John Sime will be hoping his Tigers repeat the form of their last game at Heath Park when they tore apart North Star.

That performance finally showed the form which prompted many to tip East's for the title at the beginning of the season. It took some time in coming, but if East's can play like that with any consistency, then they will be hard to toss.

After some early season upheavals, Croatia now have started to settle and coach Tony Ecimovic is finally getting some rhythm into his team.

Jim Eslao, Croatia's signing from Olympic, is showing all the skills the Croatia fans love and could prove to be a little quick for the East's big men. Whether he will be quick enough to get goals remains to be seen.

Next games: East's v Olympic U.
Croatia v Mt. Gravatt

TEAMS

EASTS

- 1 DAVE MEWBURN
- 2 ALAN MELVILLE
- 3 KEN GORDON
- 4 CARL SCOTT
- 5 ROD STEIN
- 6 SCOTT PLAYLE
- 7 STEIN GRODUM
- 8 PHIL REDMOND
- 9 WAYNE CORBETT
- 10 PHIL THOMPSON
- 11 B. McDERMOTT
- 12 TONY KANE
- 14 COLIN PHELAN
- 13
- 15 PAUL MYLONAS
- 16 MARK GERITZ
- 17 CRAIG COLLINS
- 20 S. BOARDMAN

Coach: John Sime

BRIS. CROATIA

- 1 BRETT BEVES
- 2 GUIDO MOLTONI
- 3 STEVE PUSELJ
- 4 CLAUDIO VALLE
- 5 DANNY VALLE
- 6 TOM NOVACK
- 7 MICK GERRITSEN
- 8 STEVE PERKOVIC
- 9 MICK KELLY
- 10 JIM ESLAO
- 11 V. BUROVANOV
- 12 JOE CAIRNEY
- 13 JOE STIPANCIC
- 14 DANDO IVICA
- 15 M. ECIMOVIC
- 16
- 17

Coach: Tony Ecimovic

Scores: H.T. F.T.

Scorers:

REDLANDS UTD. v ROCHEDALE R.

Referee: BILL MONTEVERDE

Showgrounds, Sunday, 2.45 p.m.

Big Kevin Coleman will relish this clash against his former club and his recent form suggests he could dominate the match.

Coleman, who switched to Redlands from Rovers this season, dominated the midfield in Redlands' last home match against Mount Gravatt and it was only when he had to leave midway through the second half to catch a plane north for business that the baysiders lost their grip on the match.

Coleman is likely to start this match as sweeper, covering for the absence of State skipper Steve Perry. But it would not surprise if he moved forward regularly for a shot, or header on the Rochedale goal.

But Rovers keeper Nigel Lownds has been in superb form of late and will be doing all he can to stop the big fella scoring.

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

TEAMS

REDLANDS U.

- 1 ROB HARRISON
- 2 PAUL LAYCOCK
- 3 STEVE MITCHELL
- 4 D. PARSONS
- 5 KEVIN COLEMAN
- 6 STEVE PERRY
- 7 R. VAN WIN
- 8 DARREN CORBETT
- 9 DON HAWTHORNE
- 10 RON MILLMAN
- 11 IAN CARSON
- 12 R. LAYCOCK
- 13 GARY IRELAND
- 14 STEVE PARSONS
- 15 MARK CURRAN
- 16 STEVE MUELEN
- 17
- 20 NEIL OLIVE

Coach: Steve Perry

ROCHEDALE R.

- 1 NIGEL LOWNDS
- 2 S. ARMSTRONG
- 3 DUNCAN BLAKELY
- 4 STEVE DONALD
- 5 NEV GOODING
- 6 PAUL GROCCOTT
- 7 M. CLARKSON
- 8 CHRIS COOTES
- 9 JIM KELLY
- 10 CRAIG LOW
- 11 KAI SCHIMKAT
- 12 STUART GREER
- 13 DAVE BEARMAN
- 14 IAN GROCCOTT
- 15 NIGEL McCLURE
- 16 JOHN REID
- 17
- 20 STEVE ELWOOD

Coach: John Reid

Scores: H.T. F.T.

Scorers:

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GRANGE T. v IPSWICH UTD.

Referee: HENRY MARRON

Lanham Park, Sunday, 2.45 p.m.

TEAMS

GRANGE T.

- 1 ROSS SMITH
- 2 JOHN RIBONE
- 3 JOHN WILSON
- 4 GARRY HEINER
- 5 SCOTT WALKER
- 6 DARRYL HEINER
- 7 JEFF JASCH
- 8 A. MOHAMMAD
- 9 PAUL RAMSAY
- 10 SCOTT RACKLEY
- 11 JACOB MOLI
- 12 A. SOMMERVILLE
- 13 JASON BURR
- 14 ANTHONY LEON
- 15 NICKY BRYANT
- 16 JOHN RACKLEY
- 17 PETER FLEMING
- 20 ANDREW HOBBS

IPSWICH U.

- 1 PAUL McCLURE
- 2 NEV O'SULLIVAN
- 3 DALLAS GRAHAM
- 4 JIM HERMISTON
- 5 D. McKENNA
- 6 R. McKEAND
- 7 B. KITCHING
- 8
- 9 BRIAN McNICOL
- 10 PETER VOGLER
- 11 R. BECKWITH
- 12 MARK GOODMAN
- 13 GLEN GIBB
- 14 GEOFF LINDSAY
- 15 K. BROOME
- 16 S. BRADFORD
- 17
- 20 D. POTTER

Coach: Steve Dolan

Coach: Jim Hermiston

Scores: H.T. F.T.

Scorers:

Ipswich United coach Jim Hermiston could well ponder on how much water has gone under the bridge since he first came to Australia to play for Grange Thistle.

Since then, the amicable Scotsman has faced many challenges, and more times than not, has emerged a winner. Faced with the challenge of rebuilding Ipswich United, he is more determined than ever to be a winner again.

The big victory over Coalstars a fortnight ago showed that Hermiston's United team can do it when they want to and this is another match they will be keen to win.

The rebuilding was started at Grange Thistle two years ago, much of it at Colts level by Steve Dolan and it seems fitting he should end up in charges as many of those youngsters begin to come into the first team.

Next games: Rochedale v Grange T.
Ipswich U. v Taringa

IBRO CAHUT

PROFILE



Name: Ibro Cahut **Age:** 21.
Birthplace: Hobart, Tasmania.
Height & Weight: 180 cm, 75 kg.
Marital status: Just married to Narina
Nickname: Ib's.
Favourite food: Pasta.
Favourite music: Any
Favourite TV Show: Cosby Show.
Hobbies & other sporting interests: All sports, especially golf.
Previous clubs: Croatia Glenorchy, Canberra Arrows.
Representative Honours: Under age for Tasmania, Australian U/23's in 1983, ACT rep. team, Brisbane 1988, Queensland 1988.
Biggest influence on career: My father and previous coach, David Crosson (Croatia Glenorchy).
Highlight of career: playing in Australian U/23 team and making this year's Queensland squad.
Biggest Disappointment: Injuries.
Favourite overseas player: Past: Socrates (Braz.); Present: Diego Maradona (Napoli, Argentina).
Best thing about Qld. soccer: Rep. tours and interstate games.
Worst things about Qld. soccer: Officials (referees)

TARINGA R. v MT. GRAVATT

Perry Park, Monday, 8.30 p.m.

Referee: GORDON NICHOLSON

TEAMS

TARINGA R.

- 1 ANDREW LAPA
- 2 CHRIS BRAY
- 3 DAVID ASH
- 4 MICK SAVAGE
- 5 STEVE WATSON
- 6 CARL PETERSEN
- 7 CHRIS FEGAN
- 8 M. FAIRCLOUGH
- 9 GREG SWADLING
- 10 LINDSAY DINES
- 11 MARK GILROY
- 12 R. McCULLOUGH
- 13 DAVID SVOBODA
- 14 J. ROBERTSON
- 15 CRAIG BRIMSON
- 16
- 17
- 20 PETER SPEARE

MT. GRAVATT

- 1 MARK PICKUP
- 2 NOEL DAVIS
- 3 SIMON ROBERTS
- 4 DAVE COSTA
- 5 DAMIEN BUTLER
- 6 M. MULVEY
- 7 MARK HAIRSINE
- 8 CRAIG DICKSON
- 9 GARY IRELAND
- 10 TOM McGREGOR
- 11 DOMENIC TONEL
- 12 MARK BOYD
- 13 ROSS PEACHEY
- 14 SIMON IRELAND
- 15
- 16
- 17
- 20 J. MIDDLETON

Coach: Glenn Davis

Coach: Ian Steele

Scores: H.T. F.T.

Scorers:

It will be interesting to see whether Mount Gravatt coach Ian Steele rushes State squad striker Gary Ireland into his team the day after his return from Fiji.

With brother Simon expected back from injury this week, the thought of the pair spearheading the Hawks attack for the first time in a month must loom as very appealing for Steele.

But Mount Gravatt appears to have the depth if Steele opts to rest Gary Ireland. And if Taringa's recent Perry Park form is an indication, the Rovers will throw away any lead they might gain.

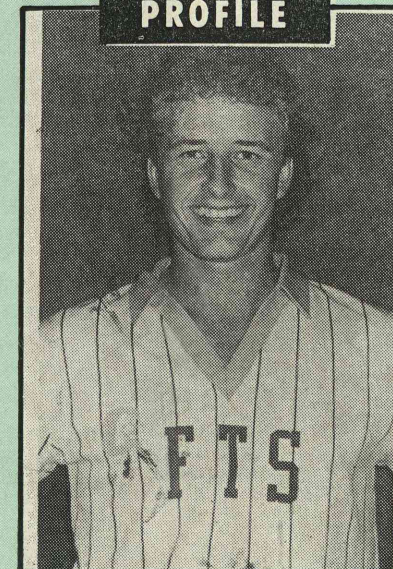
A fortnight ago at soccer headquarters, Taringa played a dour 80 minutes with Thistle, got a goal which should have been a winner, then lost 2-1. Hopefully coach Glenn Davis has plugged the gaps which led to that loss as the Hawks are keen for goals.

Next games: Ipswich U. v Taringa
Bris. Croatia v Mt. Gravatt

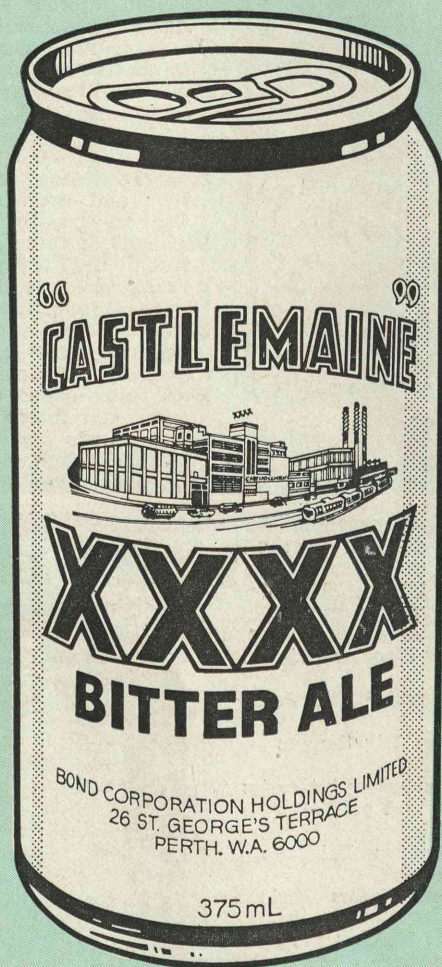
Name: Stein Olav Grodum **Age:** 23.
Birthplace: Cooma, NSW.
Height & Weight: 185 cm, 79 kg.
Marital Status: Single.
Nickname: Steiny
Favourite food: Big Rooster chicken and chips.
Favourite music: David Bowie, Janis Joplin.
Favourite TV Show: Big League soccer.
Hobbies and other sporting interests: Volleyball, tennis and golf.
Previous clubs: Easts.
Representative honours: Brisbane 1988, Queensland 1988.
Biggest influence on career: Chris Carroll.
Highlight of career: Making the Qld. tour of Fiji this year.
Biggest playing disappointment: Losing in finals of XXXX League in 1986 and 1987.
Favourite overseas player: Glenn Hoddle (Monaco)
Brisbane player you respect the most: Carl Scott (Easts)
Best thing about Qld. soccer: Monday night games.
Worst thing about Qld. soccer: Lack of recognition by national coach.

STEIN GRODUM

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