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to unite
Brisbane**

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for Mt Gravatt**



New Coach for the Hawks

Former Socceroo Col Bennett is the new coach at Mt Gravatt after Barry Guyett was last week relieved of his duties.

Bennett, who played with Brisbane Lions in the NSL, said he was looking forward to the challenge.

"I've had a bit of a break from coaching but I guess I've got itchy feet again," Bennett said.

"They've got some players who can play and it will be a bit of a challenge but we'll see how it goes."

He said he would be changing a few things with the side.

Mt Gravatt are currently in ninth place on 10 points, seven out of the top five.

"I'm going to do the best I can and hopefully secure our place in the league and go for the five," Bennett said.

According to club president Bob Baldwin, Guyett was sacked for disappointing performances and player dissatisfaction.

Guyett, who was in his second year at the helm after leading the Hawks to equal fifth spot last year, said he was disappointed with the way he was notified.

"To get a phone call instead of being told face to face was very unprofessional," Guyett said.

"I know we've struggled but I believe after the win over Inala we'd turned the corner.

"Now someone's going to walk in and get the

cream," he said.

Guyett, who was contracted until the end of the season, said the reasons for his dismissal were dubious.

"I've been told the players were unhappy with the training but I've questioned them since and they're not happy with the decision," Guyett said.

"We've had a lot of injuries and I've not been able to put a full team on the park in 10 weeks."

He said he would definitely like to coach again.

"One door shuts and another door opens. I guess as a coach I expected to get the sack somewhere along the line."

Mt Gravatt played their first game under Bennett last weekend, going down 3-2 to Brisbane CSC at Dittmer Park.

David Munn and Brad Ditton found the net for the Hawks, with Rado Vidosic and Carlos Espinosa(2) sealing the result for CSC.

With rivals Eastern Suburbs defeating Lions 3-1, the Hawks are now in third last place, one point clear of relegation danger.

They face another tough test this weekend when they meet fifth placed Pine Rivers at Dittmer Park.

The sides have only met once this year with Rivers scoring a narrow 2-1 win in the opening match of the season.

This promises to be a hotly contested game with Mt Gravatt hungry for a win ■

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Cover Shot: The story of Inala's day. Kerry Frahm looks on in vain as the ball passes by him into the net during the match against Taringa Rovers. Photos used in *Eye On Soccer* are taken by Russell Black.

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Kerle to unite Brisbane

Brisbane United could one day play their home matches in front of sell-out crowds, having to turn people away from the gates. That's according to new marketing and promotions manager Brian Kerle.

Kerle, who was appointed two weeks ago by United, spoke frankly with *Eye on Soccer* during the week.

He said his main aim was to unite the club and get everybody pulling in the right direction.

"At the moment everyone is pulling in different directions," Kerle said.

"It's not going to work unless I have the total support of everybody around me.

"People think Brian Kerle's here and everything's okay but it doesn't work that way.

"At the Bullets we were so successful because I had the total support of everyone around me," he said.

One of the biggest questions put to Kerle was why soccer?

"The structure of soccer around the state and the numbers that play the game make soccer people very lucky," he replied.

"That was one of things I looked at before I took the job.

"The foundation is strong, all we need to do is improve the structure and image at the top," he said.

Soccer is the currently the second biggest participation sport in the state but that, according to Kerle, is something that is sometimes misread.

"We don't have to sell soccer to people to play, we've got to sell it to people to watch," he said.

"I honestly don't think it's beyond us to turn people away from the ground because it's full."

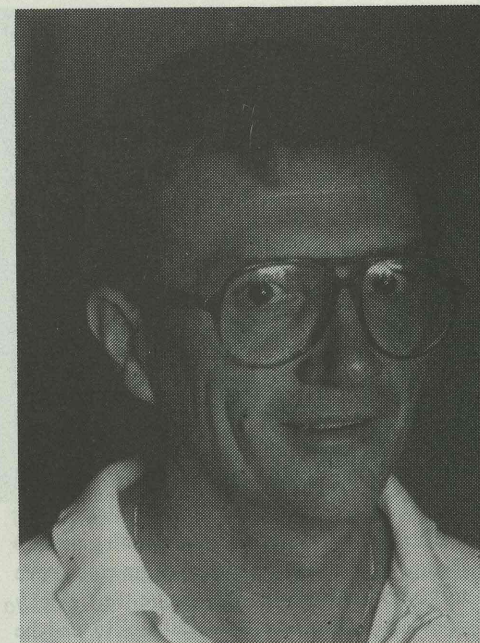
But looking at the task realistically, Kerle knows it will be tough.

"I'm not making any rash predictions or promises about what I'm going to do," Kerle said.

He said it was important for the club to lift its profile, especially that of the players.

"I want to build up some tradition and loyalty in the club," Kerle said.

"I want to build a fraternity - a group of people to whom United is the be all and end all.



Brian Kerle - optimistic and determined to turn things around

"We want to be respected on the field and out in the corporate sector as well," he said.

"I want the players to be more accessible to the supporters and the community."

He said it was vital for Queensland soccer that United succeeded.

"United needs to be the flagship of soccer in the state," Kerle said.

"If it happens soccer will be the boom sport in Queensland."

With former chairman Bob White resigning from the United board recently, it is believed former ASF President Ian Brusasco could step in.

Brusasco is currently the Chairman of the Port Authority of Brisbane and the World Masters Games, a member of the Queensland TAB board and a director of the Queensland Academy of Sport.

Kerle welcomed the Brusasco news and said he was currently waiting for the United situation to be sorted out before rushing full steam ahead into his task ■

EDITORIAL.....

Last week certainly produced some surprise results in the XXXX League and left at least eight teams with a realistic chance of making the final five this season. Eastern Suburbs produced the biggest result with a shock 3-1 win over Brisbane Lions. The Tigers have struggled to find their rhythm in the first round but showed plenty of fighting spirit to edge away from relegation danger. Coach Calvin Daunt told me in the lead up to the match that he wasn't going to panic. He obviously has a lot of faith in his players and they repaid that faith with a comprehensive victory.

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The threat of relegation is something no club likes to face and it is a shame some clubs have to go down. Brisbane City were the unlucky ones last year but have bounced back to lead the Second Division. Looking at this years relegation race, only Inala look certain to go.

The other place will probably be up for grabs until the last round with either Coalstars, Easts or Mt Gravatt looking most likely at this stage. The funny thing is that all of these sides have been around in the XXXX League for years and all are capable of beating most sides on their day. It will be a shame to see one of them go. At the same time it will also be a shame to see Inala go. Despite their below par performances, they are an enthusiastic club who love their soccer and get right behind their players.

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After spending some time with Brian Kerle during the week it is obvious that Brisbane United, and soccer in general, has the capabilities of being a dominant force in Queensland sport. The one thing that was apparent was the need for unity. With everyone pulling in the same direction, Brian believes the aim is achievable. And knowing his track record, I tend to agree.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Sir,

I refer to Col Bennett's recent *Birds Eye View* focus on North Brisbane in your *Eye On Soccer* magazine. Whilst for the most part the article was objective, I feel one comment in particular needs to be put in perspective.

The point was raised that North Brisbane could invest in two new sets of jerseys for the First and Reserve grade teams.

Fair go Colin! Surely you're aware that the jerseys worn on the day of the Bird's Eye mission were the club's away strip which is utilised on that one day a year when a visit is made to Brisbane CSC's ground. Please be assured Colin that for the

balance of the year the North Brisbane teams are well attired in red and white strips as you no doubt will recognise when a visit is made to Klumpp Road later in the season.

To the editor and staff of *Eye on Soccer*, let's hope we have more of the same of this excellent publication. Yours in Sport
Greg Vitulano - Secretary North Brisbane

Thank's for your letter Greg. As you stated Col was obviously unaware that the strips being worn against Brisbane CSC were your away strip. Although Col is always reliable, he erred on this occasion. Ed.

 QANTAS AUSTRALIAN

Coaching - the big Question

Can a coach make a player? This is one of the most talked about questions in coaching circles and it seems everybody has a different opinion.

Most seem to agree that at junior levels, a coaches role in making (or moulding) the player is very important.

However it is at the senior level where opinions differ.

Some believe that a senior coach has three basic roles to perform. The first is to be able to identify the best 11 players he has. The second is to be able to identify the best positions to play those 11 players in, and the third is to simply let them play.

However there are some coaches who believe they can make a player, taking them from the lower divisions, coaching them, and then playing them at top level.

Earlier this week *Eye on Soccer* put the question to Ron Tindall, the Development Officer for the West Australian Soccer Federation.

Tindall was invited by the Queensland Soccer Federation to give some of Queensland's high profile coaches an insight into soccer management.

Born in England, Tindall had an illustrious sporting career playing both soccer and cricket at the top level in his country.

In 1952 he signed with the Surrey Cricket Club as a professional cricketer and followed this up in 1953 by signing with English First Division Soccer Club Chelsea.

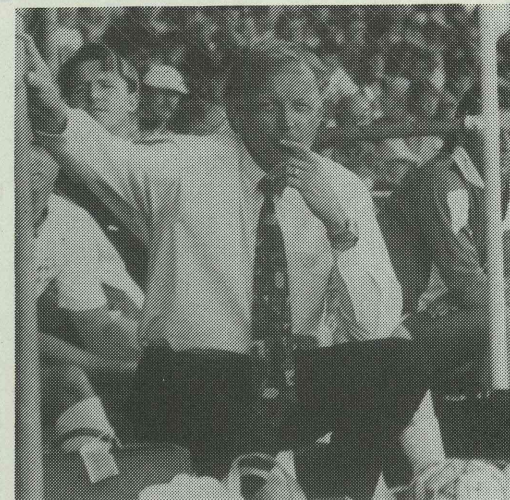
Two years later he made his professional debut for that club.

He went on to represent England at Under 23 level and amassed over 350 appearances in League Football in England.

After finishing up on the playing side of things, Tindall became the manager of Portsmouth in 1973 and hasn't looked back since, becoming one of the most experienced coaches in Australia.

He holds a full F.A. Coach's Certificate and a Diploma in Soccer Club Management from Loughborough University in England.

But what about the ultimate coaching dilemma? "I think it's possible for any coach to improve a player but they all have a certain amount of natural ability," Tindall said.



The ultimate Question - can a coach make a player at the highest level?

"You can definitely improve their understanding of their role in the game.

"To me, skill is about making the correct decisions," he said. "I can improve their technique but I can't make them more skilful."

During his presentation Tindall looked at the management side of the things including setting goals for players, teams and clubs and getting the most out of the resources a club has.

"These things are fairly crucial to coaches," he said.

"If you learn by experience only you're going to be a long way from being a good coach.

"You need your experience plus the experience of others to get the whole thing into perspective," Tindall said.

He said that playing at a high level was definitely an advantage in the field of coaching but not a prerequisite ■

What are your views on the big coaching question? Can a coach make a player at the highest level?

Eye on Soccer invites all readers to write in with their opinions. Send all replies to the Editor, c/- QSF, Perry Park, Abbotsford Road, Mayne, 4006.

Rochedale's great escape

Rochedale Rovers performed a second half Houdini act to take the points against a determined Acacia Ridge at Proud Field last weekend.

The league leaders played for more than half an hour with ten men but still managed to take the match 3-1.

With a President's Cup berth up for grabs, the Ridge played like men possessed and should have gone to the break at least three goals up.

Their first good chance came in the 17th minute when striker Martin Rudge latched onto a loose ball after Rochedale defender Russell Stewart miscued a header.

With only keeper Graham Ross to beat, Rudge fired off a shot but Ross was equal to the task, palming the ball wide.

Seven minutes later it was another mistake that almost cost Rochedale when midfielder John Weatherby played a wayward pass deep inside his own half.

Ridge striker Michael McCarthy intercepted the pass, putting Rudge through behind the Rochedale defence. With only Ross to beat Rudge put his shot wide.

Soon after it was Damian Harris' turn to make an error. The towering defender miscued a clearance and the ball fell to Brett Hamlet who blasted over from eight yards.

Despite the miss Hamlet had a great game and showed he will be a real asset to coach David Richardson in weeks to come.

Referee Steve Kingshott was forced to hand out three yellow cards in the first half, including one to Russell Stewart who kicked the ball away in disgust after Kingshott awarded the Ridge a free kick for a breach of the back pass rule. The ensuing free kick was blocked by Rochedale but appeared to be taken at least 10 metres away from where keeper Graham Ross picked the ball up.

With half time nearing it was Rochedale who took the lead with a neat move from Justin Playle and Nigel McClure. With only Wass to beat, McClure latched onto Playle's pass and neatly slotted the ball into the net.

The Ridge came out more determined after the break and equalised through a Michael Butchard penalty after Rochedale defender Russell Stewart was sent off for deliberately handling the ball.

With Ross well beaten, Stewart dived to tip Hamlet's curled shot over the bar and was ordered from the field by Kingshott.

Three minutes later the Ridge almost took the lead after Hamlet skilfully beat Playle before whipping in a cross that was well met by McCarthy. Only a great point blank save by Ross denied a goal.

In the 69th minute it was lethal striker Keiran Cooper who broke the deadlock after a piercing through ball by John Weatherby. The skilful striker calmly rounded Wass before placing the ball into an open net.

Playle made it 2-1 in the 73rd minute after a Ridge defensive error left him unmarked on the edge of the box. Weatherby played a long free kick that was left for Wass by the Ridge defence. Unfortunately Wass thought his defence had the ball and stayed on his line, leaving Playle with the ball and a free passage to the goal. The robust striker made no mistake and the game was over.

Ridge substitute Jason Eacott almost stole a goal late in the game with several telling runs but was denied twice by good saves from Ross.

In the end the Ridge were left to rue the one that got away and Rochedale achieved their goal of remaining undefeated in the first round.

Rochedale striker Keiran Cooper said he was glad to score the goal that broke deadlock.

"The team showed a lot of team spirit to come back like that," Cooper said.

"More than anything this game has shown we can battle for our results."

Acacia Ridge coach David Richardson said he was proud of the commitment shown by his players.

"It wasn't a game for the feint hearted," Richardson said.

"Maybe now people will say we're not a bad side." ■

From the Sideline



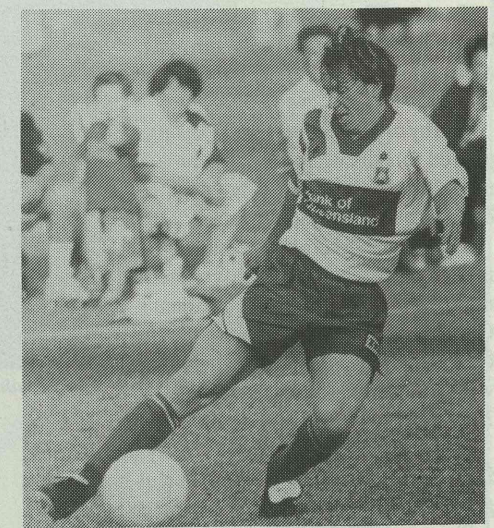
Who was the local referee who controlled one of the early matches at Proud Field last week between Acacia Ridge and Rochedale? It seems the referee forgot to put the match result on the team sheet which caused some confusion at the QSF. Upon being questioned about the game the referee replied that he had forgotten the score. Luckily for the man in black both clubs had phoned in the correct score.



"We're going to win the League" was the cry of 45,000 adoring Manchester United fans earlier in the year and they were absolutely right. In fact they won the league by 10 points in a year all United fans will never forget. To celebrate the event North Star's Michael Mulvey, a former apprentice at Old Trafford, has made up a Manchester United Premier League Champion's T-Shirt. The shirts are quality prints and are walking out the door on this momentous occasion for only \$20. That's right \$20. But wait there's more. You must phone Mike on 398 9915.



It was interesting to watch the FA Cup last week and see Chris Waddle, England's Sportsman's Player of the Year, take the pitch



Taringa's Troy Cranney - adhering to the dress code

with his shirt out. In fact Chris played the whole of the match, which is screened all across the world, with the shirt out. Under FIFA rules players can be cautioned for having their shirt out and those rules are well and truly administered in Queensland. It's a shame that the high profile players are allowed to side step the laws and teach youngsters all around the world bad habits.

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MATCH SCOREBOARD - Rochedale Rovers 3 def Acacia Ridge 1

Venue: Proud Oval Referee: S Kingshott - 6

ACACIA RIDGE		ROCHEDALE ROVERS	
	Rating		Rating
Wass	8	Ross	8
Spiers	8	Hart	7
Davidson	7	Galloway/Theochari	6/7
Gooding	8	McClure	7
Stone/Ross	7/6	Vasquez	7
Butchard	8	J Stewart	7
McCarthy/Eacott	8/7	R Stewart	0
Rudge	7	Wetherby/Dillon	7/6
Smythe	8	Cooper	7
Ibanez-Formas	7	Harris	7
B Hamlet	8	Playle	8
Totals	84		71

CORNERS

Acacia Ridge 4
Rochedale Rov 6

FREEKICKS

Acacia Ridge 19
Rochedale Rov 9

SHOTS

Acacia Ridge 16
Rochedale Rov 10

Taringa eyes off Cup

Taringa Rovers booked a place in the President's Cup match with an easy 7-0 win over Inala City at Speare Park last weekend.

Led by captain John Ogden, Taringa proved too strong for Inala, who are now almost assured of being relegated back into the Second Division.

The Blue Machine's second round match against Rochedale Rovers will now decide who takes the President's Cup. Taringa got off to a slow start to the match but soon found their feet with Andy Lees finding the net in the 15th minute.

The speedy striker met a perfectly placed cross from Troy Cranney with a powerful header that gave Inala keeper Kerry Frahm no chance.

Two minutes later it was 2-0 when Cranney and Darren Hillier combined just outside the Inala penalty area.

After a neat one-two Cranney drove his shot into the right hand corner from 18 yards.

Colin Gwynne put the match out of Inala's reach just before half time, driving the ball home from six yards after a goalmouth scramble.

It was more of the same after the break with the Taringa defence rarely troubled and Cranney,



Kerry Frahm and his Inala defense under seige last weekend.

Hillier and Colliccoat dominating the midfield.

Lees picked up his second in the 50th minute after good lead up work by Hillier but it was a 10 minute spell midway through the half that broke the Inala spirit.

Goals by Colliccoat in the 71st and 74th and a classic strike by Ogden in the 78th ended the rout.

Coach Juan Cutillas was pleased with his sides effort and said he was looking forward to next weeks clash with Brisbane CSC.

Brisbane CSC were surprise round one winners over Taringa at Dunn Road earlier this season and are currently three points outside the five following last weeks 3-2 win over Mt Gravatt ■

MATCH SCOREBOARD – Taringa Rovers 7 def Inala City 0

Venue: Speare Park

Referee: D Crawford – 7

TARINGA ROVERS		INALA CITY	
	Rating		Rating
Dal Santo	8	Frahm	7
Pearse	7	Mason	7
Ogden	8	D Spence	7
Colliccoat	8	Williams	7
Glockner	7	Hill	7
A Lees/Carter	8/7	Keepence	7
Hillier	8	Lilley	6
Philp	7	Thompson/Seely	6/7
C Gwynne/E Lees	7/7	W Spence/Freer	8/6
Cranney	8	Burnett	7
G Gwynne	7	Wilkinson	7
Totals	83		76

Match Stats. courtesy of
C Meitzel & B Freeman



CORNERS

Taringa Rovers 4
Inala City 2

FREEKICKS

Taringa Rovers 11
Inala City 18

SHOTS

Taringa Rovers 20
Inala City 10

WEEKEND ACTION FROM SPEARE PARK



This one's mine: is what Inala City's defiant looking Kerry Frahm seems to be saying to Taringa's Glenn Gwynne during last Sundays' encounter.

Inter-City Shield heads for Brisbane

The IEA Inter-City Shield will return to Brisbane this year after last weeks matches at Goodna settled the finalists.

Brisbane North and Brisbane South will meet at Perry Park on Wednesday May 26 at 8:00pm.

The early game at Goodna saw Ipswich and Brisbane North clash with both sides on three points prior to the match and the winner guaranteed a place in the final.

Taringa Rovers midfielder Darren Hillier gave Brisbane North the early lead in the first half with a curling free kick that gave the Ipswich keeper no chance.

Ipswich had plenty of opportunities to equalise during the first half with Brendan Eastwell and Peter Vogler causing the Brisbane defence all sorts of problems.

Vogler was robbed before the break when his

first time shot went from post to post, narrowly missing crossing the line.

After the break he needed no luck when he slammed home an Eastwell cross to make it 1-1.

Kevin Meacock put Brisbane ahead soon after with Hillier sealing the result just before the end. Final score 3-1.

In the late game, Brisbane South proved too strong for Toowoomba running out 8-0 winners.

The Rochedale Rovers trio of Keiran Cooper, Justin Playle and Nigel McClure did most of the damage with Cooper grabbing four, Playle two and McClure one. Brisbane CSC striker Frazer Cuba scored the other goal.

The final will be a tough encounter with an entertaining curtain raiser between the Queensland Academy of Sport and the Victorian Institute of Sport kicking off at 6:00pm ■



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Noel Carroll	7
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Graham Eden	7
Wayne McGauley	6
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John Preston	6
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The match was a dour affair with both defences being in control.

The only goal of the match came from a corner where the ball was driven hard into the goal area and it took a deflection from a defender

giving Peter Underhill no chance.

At no stage did either side look capable of scoring goals and a 0-0 draw would probably have been a more deserving result given the standard of play in this lack lustre match.

Kirsty is anything but plain

The old saying that a man will travel 1000 miles for a good woman has gone by the by lately, but it seems there's one club who are putting the adage into good use.

Founded in 1991, Browns Plains are one of the latest clubs to join the QSF with teams in the 7th and 8th Divisions. However unlike many lower division clubs, they have no trouble getting players to training, and a girl named Kirsty is having a lot to do with that.

Kirsty is an Australian Champion Marching Girl who recently took charge of the all-new Browns Plains cheer squad.

And with their 7th Division team on top of the table, club officials couldn't be happier.

According to club President Dave Smith, Browns Plains are the Cinderellas of the QSF, but that will all change in the near future.

The Plains currently share Hyde Park with St Bernadine's Soccer Club but plans for their own ground are already in the pipeline.

"The Logan City Council recently paid half a million dollars for four hectares of land in the local area," Smith said.

"The land was bought to accommodate all sporting bodies in the Browns Plains area and that includes us.

"As soon as services are laid to the oval Browns Plains Soccer and Social Club will have a lease on the playing area and we can start to build," he said.

And while they will get the field, there is still plenty of work ahead, but Smith believes their will be no problem in that area.

"There are some very enthusiastic people at the club like Shirley Rainer, Dave Shaw, Len Bauer, Jim Sullivan and Paul McKenzie," Smith said.

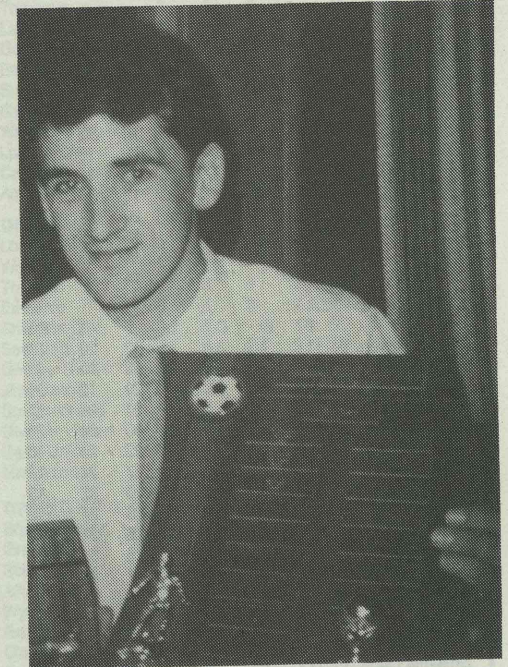
"They will make sure things happen."

Having to start from scratch, their strategy has been to lure quality players to the club and they believe they have done that.

Former Scotland Schoolboys representative John Fox is their biggest signing.

Fox joined the club from Rochedale Rovers and believes they will be a big hit in soccer circles.

The likeable Scotsman labels Rochedale Rovers captain Russell Stewart as the biggest influence



New signing John Fox

on his career but lists new cheerleader Kirsty under his personal likes.

Another player to be snapped up by the club is Gerry McMahon, who also came from Rochedale Rovers.

"My main aim is take Browns Plains as far as they can go," McMahon says.

The pair were invited by the club to play in the Mayors Charity Cup earlier this year and haven't looked back since, steering the side into their current position.

Their latest signing is Argentinian Manuel Raffaele, a former first division player with Untico Santafe in Argentina.

And what about Kirsty?

"Kirsty is a great favourite at Browns Plains," Smith said.

"Perhaps that's why more players are coming to training nights."

Browns Plains take on Western Suburbs at home this weekend and Eye on Soccer wishes them all the best with their plans for the future.

EYE ON SOCCER TABLES

XXXX LEAGUE - ROUND 11

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Rochdale Rovers	11	9	2	-	41	11	29
Taringa Rovers	11	7	1	3	24	11	22
Acacia Ridge	11	6	2	3	23	15	20
North Star	11	6	2	3	21	18	20
Pine Rivers	11	5	2	4	16	16	17
Brisbane Lions	11	5	1	5	21	18	16
North Brisbane	11	4	2	5	17	12	14
Brisbane CSC	11	3	5	3	13	16	14
Eastern Suburbs	11	4	-	7	20	27	12
Mt Gravatt	11	3	1	7	15	28	10
Coalstars	11	2	3	6	13	22	9
Inala City	11	1	1	9	14	44	4

XXXX RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Taringa Rovers	11	7	3	1	32	13	24
North Star	11	7	2	2	36	10	23
Rochdale Rov	11	6	3	2	29	12	21
Eastern Suburbs	11	7	-	4	27	24	21
Brisbane Lions	11	6	2	3	30	24	20
North Brisbane	11	5	3	3	23	23	18
Pine Rivers	11	4	3	4	27	24	15
Acacia Ridge	11	4	1	6	20	32	13
Brisbane CSC	11	3	3	5	20	27	12
Coalstars	11	3	2	6	15	24	11
Mt Gravatt	11	2	1	8	15	31	7
Inala City	11	-	1	10	11	41	1

XXXX COLTS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Taringa Rovers	11	10	1	-	51	7	31
Brisbane Lions	11	9	1	1	45	6	28
Coalstars	11	8	-	3	32	12	24
Rochdale Rov	11	7	1	3	25	13	22
North Star	11	6	1	4	12	20	19
Mt Gravatt	11	5	2	4	21	14	17
Pine Rivers	11	3	3	5	13	17	12
Eastern Suburbs	11	3	1	7	13	25	10
North Brisbane	11	1	5	5	8	14	8
Acacia Ridge	11	2	1	8	12	43	7
Brisbane CSC	11	1	2	8	11	34	5
Inala City	11	1	2	8	7	45	4

XXXX LEAGUE LEADING SCORER

12 Goals - K. Cooper (Rochdale Rovers).
8 Goals - L. Scriggins (North Star).
7 Goals - J. Playle (Rochdale Rovers).
6 Goals - J. Keppence (Inala City), A. Lees (T. Rov), N. McClure (R'dale Rov).
5 Goals - W. Allen (Bris Lions), J. Eacott (A. Ridge), J. McDonagh (Nth Star), W. McGauley (Pine Riv), K. Meacock (Nth Bris), D. Munn (Mt Grav).
4 Goals - D. Almond (Pine Riv), N. Carroll (Pine Riv), W. Corbett (East Sub), C. Fegan (East Sub), S. Glockner (T. Rov), P. Hurney (Bris Lions), F. Mengotti (Bris Lions), M. Rudge (A. Ridge), D. Whitfield (East Sub).
3 Goals - M. Babic (C'stars), M. Butchard (A. Ridge), M. Collicot (T. Rov), B. Ditton (Mt Grav), T. Hews (Bris Lions), A. Hunter (Nth Bris), H. Makridakis (Bris CSC), F. Stone (A. Ridge), D. Theochari (R'dale Rov), C. Williams (Nth Bris).

XXXX THIRDS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Taringa Rovers	11	10	-	1	40	11	30
Eastern Suburbs	11	8	1	2	39	14	25
Brisbane Lions	11	8	-	3	29	18	24
Brisbane CSC	11	5	3	3	29	15	18
North Star	11	5	3	3	21	19	18
Acacia Ridge	11	5	1	5	29	27	16
Rochdale Rov	11	4	1	6	19	17	13
Coalstars	11	4	1	6	15	19	13
Inala City	11	3	2	6	17	30	11
North Brisbane	11	3	-	8	21	44	9
Pine Rivers	11	3	-	8	14	37	9
Mt Gravatt	11	1	2	8	6	28	5

DIVISION 2 - ROUND 9

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Brisbane City	9	8	-	1	19	9	24
Wynnum	9	7	-	2	25	13	21
Willowburn	8	6	-	2	16	8	18
The Gap	9	4	2	3	15	12	14
St Helens	8	3	4	1	11	9	13
St Albans	8	4	1	3	14	14	13
Beenleigh	9	4	-	5	16	12	12
Grange Thistle	8	4	-	4	14	15	12
Olympic United	9	2	4	3	12	12	10
Souths United	9	1	2	6	11	17	5
Nerang	9	1	1	7	7	19	4
Slacks Creek	9	-	2	7	11	31	2

DIVISION 2 RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Wynnum	9	8	1	-	26	1	25
Brisbane City	9	6	1	2	26	11	19
Olympic United	9	5	-	4	22	18	15
Slacks Creek	9	5	-	4	15	13	15
Grange Thistle	9	4	2	3	16	11	14
Willowburn	9	4	2	3	16	14	14
The Gap	9	4	1	4	15	15	13
Beenleigh	9	4	-	5	13	13	12
Souths United	9	4	-	5	15	21	12
St Helens	9	3	2	4	10	13	11
Nerang	9	1	1	7	7	25	4
St Albans	9	1	-	8	7	33	3

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. Last years winner was Taringa.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Taringa Rovers	44	34	5	5	147	42	107
Brisbane Lions	44	28	4	12	125	66	88
Rochdale Rov	44	26	7	11	114	53	85
North Star	44	24	8	12	90	67	80
Eastern Suburbs	44	22	2	20	99	90	68
Coalstars	44	17	6	21	75	77	57
Acacia Ridge	44	17	5	22	84	117	56
Pine Rivers	44	15	8	21	70	94	53
Brisbane CSC	44	12	13	19	73	92	49
North Brisbane	44	13	10	21	69	93	49
Mt Gravatt	44	11	6	27	57	101	39
Inala City	44	5	6	33	49	160	21

DIVISION 2 COLTS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Brisbane City	9	8	1	-	24	7	25
Willowburn	9	6	3	-	28	8	21
Souths United	9	6	2	1	22	11	20
Wynnum	9	6	1	2	21	6	19
Grange Thistle	9	5	2	2	15	7	17
The Gap	9	4	-	5	17	16	12
Nerang	9	3	2	4	14	24	11
Beenleigh	9	3	1	5	15	19	10
Olympic United	9	2	2	5	7	18	8
Slacks Creek	9	1	1	7	5	16	4
St Albans	9	1	1	7	7	22	4
St Helens	9	-	2	7	6	27	2

DIVISION 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Annerley	9	7	1	1	13	6	22
University of Qld	9	5	2	2	14	7	17
Newmarket	9	4	4	1	28	11	16
Mitchelton	9	5	-	4	13	12	15
Redlands United	9	4	1	4	13	12	13
Goodna	9	4	-	5	13	21	12
Latrobe Valley	9	2	5	2	17	14	11
South Star	9	3	2	4	12	11	11
Darra United	9	2	4	3	14	15	10
Capalaba	9	2	3	4	14	18	9
Logan City	9	2	2	5	6	20	8
Albany Creek	9	1	2	6	10	20	5

DIVISION 3 RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
University of Qld	9	9	-	-	25	4	27
Annerley	9	7	-	2	17	8	21
Newmarket	9	6	1	2	25	8	19
Redlands United	9	6	1	2	20	12	19
Goodna	9	5	3	1	20	9	18
Albany Creek	9	3	3	3	12	11	12
Capalaba	9	3	2	4	13	19	11
Darra United	9	3	-	6	17	24	9
South Star	9	2	-	7	7	19	6
Logan City	9	2	-	7	6	26	6
Latrobe Valley	9	1	2	6	15	24	5
Mitchelton	9	1	-	8	5	18	3

DIVISION 4

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
North Pine	9	7	-	2	21	12	21
Redcliffe City	9	7	-	2	26	19	21
Virginia United	9	6	2	1	18	9	20
Samford Rangers	9	6	2	1	18	9	20
Brighton	9	4	5	-	18	10	17
Moggill United	9	3	3	3	25	23	12
Pine Hills	9	2	3	4	17	15	9
Kenmore Rangers	9	2	3	4	17	16	9
Ipswich City	9	2	1	6	14	24	7
Clairvaux	9	1	3	5	13	22	6
Oxley United	9	1	2	6	13	25	5
Deception Bay	9	-	2	7	11	25	2

DIVISION 4 RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Samford Rangers	9	7	1	1	37	9	22
Clairvaux	9	7	-	2	31	7	21
North Pine	9	6	2	1	17	9	20
Kenmore Rangers	9	6	1	2	25	17	19
Virginia United	9	4	2	3	20	14	14
Redcliffe City	9	4	1	4	13	17	13
Brighton	9	3	2	4	15	16	11
Pine Hills	9	3	2	4	11	18	11
Deception Bay	9	3	-	6	7	22	9
Moggill United	9	2	1	6	14	16	7
Oxley United	9	2	1	6	11	22	7
Ipswich City	9	-	1	8	4	38	1

DIVISION 5

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
University of Qld	9	7	1	1	28	6	22
Southside Eagles	9	6	2	1	24	9	20
Toowong	8	5	3	-	15	4	18
Leichhardt	9	5	1	3	18	12	16
Goodna	9	5	1	3	10	8	16
Bayside	9	5	-	4	17	17	15
Slacks Creek	9	4	1	4	17	14	13
Brothers	8	3	1	4	18	21	10
Western Suburbs	8	3	-	5	21	20	9
Loganholme	9	2	-	7	7	19	6
Capalaba	8	1	-	7	6	20	3
Annerley	9	-	2	7	6	37	2

DIVISION 6

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Logan City	9	9	-	-	47	9	27
Woodridge	9	7	-	2	32	7	21
The Gap	9	6	1	2	36	20	19
Bethania	9	5	2	2	20	11	17
Brisbane City	9	5	-	4	18	30	15
Beenleigh	9	4	2	3	22	17	14
Grange Thistle	9	3	3	3	23	14	12
Jimboomba	9	3	2	4	18	18	11
Souths United	9	3	1	5	21	26	10
Olympic United	9	2	-	7	10	29	6
Darra United							

LOWER DIVISIONS – PREVIEW

Every team in every club is important, not only to its playing participants, but also to its club members, that is why this column has endeavoured to cover every match in every Division.

Somewhere there are those who would avidly seek some form of recognition for their team, be they in Division 2 or Division 9.

At times many of the comments (and predictions) have been known to act as an incentive for players and their coaches. That in itself is a good thing, as human nature being what it is, people are always out to prove someone else wrong. We accept that, otherwise we wouldn't continue tipping.

After two months of the season, some Divisions are starting to take on some shape, others remain in a state of flux and will stay so, due to the highly competitive nature of the participating teams.

DIVISION 2

A shape, albeit a spread out variety, is starting to appear in this Division, all though it should be noted that some of the contenders for the title, still have a match in hand. Due to the representative commitments of the Toowoomba team, these matches cannot now be caught up till some time in July or August. Brisbane City and Wynnum no doubt will continue their run for the title, although they are now being hotly pursued by some teams whose form at best, could be describe as fluctuating. The Gap is probably enjoying the highest position they have experienced in many years, and could start to give many of the top echelon teams a fright. Already this early in the season it would appear as if the two relegated teams could come from the three that still have single figure points, and the goals against at Slacks Creek is starting to reach quite alarming proportions.

This weekend's predictions: Slacks Creek home to Beenleigh – Away win. Souths United home to Olympic – Draw.

On Sunday The Gap visit Nerang, away win. Battle of the Saints in Toowoomba – Home win. Grange v Wynnum – Draw, Brisbane City v Willowburn – Home win.

DIVISION 3

Jim Gilbert



Annerley have now opened up a five point margin at the top of this Division, and there is a jam for the minor Semi-Final placings. If this early season form is any guide, the second promotion spot could come from any of up to five teams. One time hot promotion candidates Mitchelton and Goodna, have both fallen by the wayside with Goodna now having a quite horrific minus goal difference. Mitchelton's surprise away loss last weekend to bottom placed Albany Creek will certainly not boost their confidence either. Albany Creek's three pointer could not have been more timely, as both teams above them, Logan City and Capalaba, were starting to pull away. This now makes the next few weeks very interesting, both at the top, and at the bottom.

This weekend: Latrobe Valley v South Star – Difficult match, home win. Mitchelton v Capalaba, neither side impressing of late, draw. Logan City Kings v Albany Creek – The battle of the bottom, home win. Goodna v Annerley, a real tester for the home side – Away win. University home to Newmarket – Draw. On Sunday Darra home to Redlands – Home win.

DIVISION 4

Last week North Pine's late request to switch their match to Friday night, certainly didn't do them any good, as the huge loss has brought them right back to the field and now makes for an interesting few weeks, ahead with only one point separating four teams. Even at this early stage it looks highly likely that Semi-Final positions and promotion will come from these four, whereas other teams will enjoy a comfortable mid table position all year. Meanwhile, Deception Bay, Oxley and Clairvaux continue to struggle at the bottom of the table. The Soccer Pools have now officially commenced using the Australian matches both in the U.K. and here in Australia, so draws will be more keenly sought, than before.

This weekend's fixtures commence on Friday with Kenmore at home to Ipswich City, neither side exactly setting the table on fire, home win. On Saturday Brighton v Moggill – Home win.

Pine Hills v Clairvaux, not much between these two sides – Home win. On Sunday the four top teams will face each other, the phones will undoubtedly be running hot between these grounds. North Pine v Virginia – Score draw. Samford v Redcliffe – Home win. At the other end of the spectrum 11th placed Oxley v Deception Bay – Home win.

DIVISION 5

It would appear that there is only three Premiership chasing teams in this Division at this stage, with new leaders now taking over, after the battle of the top two positions last weekend. Toowong still have a match in hand (which will be played in June), and that is when the table will take on a more settled look. With Loganholme's fall from grace due to ineligible players, the middle of the table now has a completely different look about it to the last few weeks, and it may take another round or two of fixtures before teams start to adjust to their new found table positions. Last weekend University drew the feathers from the Eagles, and having observed a few moments of indiscretion by one or two players, it is only surprising that the Eagles did not go down by a larger score.

This weekend Brothers v Slacks Creek – Home win, Leichhardt Eagles v Capalaba – Home win. Annerley v Loganholme – Away win, University v Toowong – Away win, Goodna v Southside Eagles – Draw, Western Suburbs v Bayside – Home win.

DIVISION 6

The Kings from Logan City are starting to streak away from this Division at present, although their last two fixtures in the first round are against second and third respectively. It will be a most interesting two rounds of results. It is fairly congested in the middle of the table at present, with two teams already virtually stranded at the bottom of the table.

This weekend Beenleigh v Jimboomba – Home win, Olympic v Souths – Away win. The Gap v Mitchelton – Home win, Darra v Grange – Away win. On Sunday afternoon two big matches with Bethania v Brisbane City – Home win and Woodridge v Logan City Kings – Score draw.

DIVISION 7

Browns Plains are now appearing to pull away from the pack, with eight out of eight giving them a 100% record to date. Greenbank and the two Creeks are also making life very interesting in this Division, with it still being too early to say who is likely to make up the top four, and the promotion positions. Again this table like Division 5, Loganholme's indiscretions has resulted in a change around of positions and points. This weekend Albany Creek home to Clairvaux on Friday – Home win. On Saturday Redlands v Slacks Creek – Away win, Annerley v Loganholme – Draw. On Sunday Wynnum v Greenbank – tough match, draw. Also on Sunday leaders Browns Plains v Western Suburbs – Win for the home side.

DIVISION 8

Olympic United continue their merry way at the top with a substantial number in the goals – for column, very tight for the next six positions, and then a decided bottom four. Latrobe yet to register their first win of the season, but it won't be too far away judging by their performances of late. This weekend Beenleigh v Jimboomba – Home win, Olympic v University, a top match – Olympic to win. Bethania v Latrobe – Home win, Wynnum v Greenbank – Home win, with the last match Browns Plains v Newmarket – Away win.

DIVISION 9

The fifth team of the various XXXX League Clubs continue to dominate this Division filling the top four table positions, although Wynnum has been making a surge up to the top, and will frighten a few before the season is over. South Star have played nine and lost nine, whilst Park Ridge have only registered one win. Rochedale are pulling away from the bottom with Kenmore and Lions both finding life more difficult.

This weekend Taringa v South Star – Home win, Olympic v Acacia Ridge – Away win. Mooroondu v Coalstars – Both teams very erratic of late, Away win. Wynnum v North Star – This will test the cricketers – Draw. Park Ridge v Kenmore – will the Ridge pick up their second win? Rochedale v Brisbane Lions – Home win.



Junior Points Table

Brisbane South 17/5/93 (Unofficial Scores)

Under 10 Div 1: Coalstars 12. Capalaba 10. Rochedale 8. Mooroondu 7. Slacks Creek 6. Goodna 5. Annerley, Southside Eagles 4. Souths Utd, Jimboomba 2. **Div 2:** Mt Gravatt, Beenleigh, Redlands, Loganholme 9. Camira 8. Centenary, Olympic 5. Clairvaux, Bayside 2. **Div 3:** St Helens 10. Coalstars, Capalaba 9. Tudor Rov 7. Mooroondu, Souths Utd 2. **Div 4:** Redlands, Brisbane Lions, Capalaba 10. Beenleigh 8. Loganholme 7. Slacks Creek 5. Southside Eagles, Kingsridge 3. Camira 2. **Div 5:** Capalaba, Greenbank 11. Ipswich City 10. Jimboomba 8. Centenary 6. Souths Utd, Annerley 5. Rochedale, Acacia Ridge 2. **Div 6:** St Helens 12. Eastern Suburbs 11. Capalaba 9. Oxley 8. Mooroondu 6. Wynnum, Clairvaux 5. Loganholme, Dinmore 2. **Div 7:** Mt Gravatt 11. Bayside 10. Beenleigh 8. Redlands 7. Capalaba 4. Wynnum, Southside Eagles 3. Rochedale 2. **Under 11 Div 1:** Mt Gravatt, Loganholme 10. Brisbane Lions, Capalaba, Beenleigh 7. Kingsridge, Redlands 6. Coalstars 5. Souths Utd 2. Clairvaux 1. **Div 2:** Camira, Capalaba 10. Wynnum, Rochedale 8. Mooroondu 7. Greenbank 6. Redlands 5. Slacks Creek, Centenary 4. **Div 3:** St Helens 10. Redlands 9. Capalaba, Mt Gravatt 8. Beenleigh 7. Coalstars, Kingsridge 5. Rochedale, South Star 4. **Div 4:** Wynnum 12. Capalaba 9. Annerley 8. Acacia Ridge 7. Eastern Suburbs, Loganholme, Redlands 6. Souths Utd 4. Ipswich City 2. Mooroondu 0. **Div 5:** Redlands 12. Rochedale 9. Clairvaux, St Helens 8. Camira 7. Capalaba 5. Wynnum 4. Centenary 3. Annerley 2. Coalstars 1. **Div 6:** Brisbane Lions 12. Beenleigh 10. Kingsridge 8. Wynnum, Slacks Creek, Rochedale 2. **Under 12 Div 1:** Acacia Ridge 12. Centenary, Loganholme, St Helens 8. Beenleigh 6. Mt Gravatt 4. Redlands, Slacks Creek 3. Souths Utd, Capalaba 2. **Div 2:** Rochedale 12. Brisbane

CSC, Wynnum, Southside Eagles 10. Beenleigh 6. Mooroondu, Redlands 4. Capalaba, Coalstars 2. **Div 3:** Eastern Suburbs 10. Olympic, Loganholme 9. Acacia Ridge, Bayside, Capalaba 7. Centenary, Clairvaux 4. Tudor Rovers 3. **Div 4:** Greenbank 12. Brisbane Lions 11. Jimboomba 9. Ipswich City, Rochedale 6. St Helens 5. Camira 3. Kingsridge 2. **Div 5:** Oxley, Souths United 10. Annerley 9. Beenleigh 6. Rochedale, Goodna 5. Loganholme, Redlands 4. Wynnum 3. Southside Eagles 2. **Under 13 Div 1:** Souths Utd 11. Mt Gravatt 10. Clairvaux 9. Capalaba 7. Coalstars, Bris Lions 5. Wynnum 4. Kingsridge 2. **Div 2:** St Helens 10. Beenleigh 9. Inala City, Goodna 8. Mooroondu, Redlands 7. Eastern Suburbs 5. Slacks Creek, Tudor Rov 2. **Div 3:** Camira 12. Rochedale 9. St Helens, Mt Gravatt 8. Oxley, Clairvaux 7. Annerley 6. Greenbank 2. Wynnum 1. **Under 14 Div 1:** Mt Gravatt 11. Slacks Creek, Bris Lions 10. Coalstars 9. Wynnum 7. St Helens, Capalaba 4. Souths United 3. Eastern Suburbs 2. **Div 2:** Acacia Ridge 12. Bris Lions 9. Slacks Creek 8. St Helens 7. Rochedale, Park Ridge 6. Beenleigh, Redlands 5. Clairvaux, Souths Utd 1. **Div 3:** Annerley, Centenary, Bris Lions 10. Jimboomba 8. Ipswich City 5. Dinmore 4. Mooroondu 3. Wynnum 2. **Under 15 Div 1:** Coalstars 12. North Pine 7. Olympic, Bayside, Bris City 6. Park Ridge 5. Taringa, Lions 2. **Div 2:** Coalstars 12. Kingsridge 10. Mitchelton 9. Souths Utd 8. Annerley 7. Clairvaux 6. Jimboomba 5. Margate 2. Samford 1. North Star 0. **Div 3:** Slacks Creek, Tudor Rovers, Newmarket 10. Bribie Island 9. Redlands 8. Pine Hills 4. Bardon Latrobe 3. Olympic, Westside 2. Goodna 0. **Junior Colts Div 1:** Mt Gravatt 11. Bris City 10. Coalstars 9. Capalaba 8. Grange Thistle 4. Rochedale, North Star, Taringa 3. Olympic 2. Caboolture 1. **Div 2:** Eastern Suburbs 10. Albany Creek 9. North Pine 8. Lions, Redcliffe PYC 6. Park Ridge 5. Mitchelton 4. Brighton 3. Beenleigh 2. Souths Utd 1. **Div 3:** Ipswich 14. Coalstars 13. Samford 12. Pine Hills 11. Newmarket 9. Pine Rivers 8. Albany Creek 7. Westside 6. North Star, Bayside 5. Mt Gravatt 2. ■

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ROUND 11

ACACIA RIDGE 1 v ROCHEDALE ROVERS 3 (0-1) at Proud Field

SCORERS: Ridge: Michael Butchard

Rovers: Nigel McClure, Keiran Cooper, Justin Playle

Man of the Match: Graham Ross (Rochedale Rovers)

ACACIA RIDGE: Wass, Spiers, Davidson, Gooding, Butchard, Rudge, Stone (McKenzie-Ross), McCarthy (Eacott), Smythe, B Hamlet, Ibanez-Formas.

ROCHEDALE ROVERS: Ross, R Stewart, Hart, Galloway (Theochari), McClure, Vasquez, J Stewart, Weatherby (Dillon), Harris, Playle, Cooper.

NORTH STAR 1 v COALSTARS 1 (1-0) at O'Callaghan Park

SCORERS: Nth Star: Lee Scriggins

Coalstars: Own goal

Man of the Match: Jason Parks (North Star)

NORTH STAR: Parks, Jones, Archer, Lobwein, Mulvey, R Swan, K Swan, McDonagh, Rosenthal, Brockwell, Scriggins.

COALSTARS: Cooper, Boyle, McFarlane, Gilbert, Read, Cotton, Babic (Hilli), Dardanis (Freiberg), Eastwell, Brown, King.

BRISBANE LIONS 1 v EASTERN SUBURBS 3 (0-2) at Lions Stadium

SCORERS: Lions: Frank Mengotti

East: Danny Whitfield 2, Phil Makridakis

Man of the Match: Chris Roche (Eastern Suburbs)

BRISBANE LIONS: Farrow, Hunter, Lombardo, Stowell, Hurney, Abel (Gilroy), Mengotti, Hinton, Krusy (Priddy), T Hews, Allen.

EASTERN SUBURBS: Roche, Parsons (Knowles), Grodum, Geritz, Higginbottom, Fegan, Makridakis, Corbett, Nicol, Whitfield, Carson (Banner).

NORTH BRISBANE 1 v PINE RIVERS 0 (1-0) at Prentice Park

SCORERS: Nth Bris: Own goal

Man of the Match: Craig Collins (North Brisbane)

NORTH BRISBANE: Evans, Regano, Lindsay, Whyte, Hunter, Figliano, Collins, Williams, Slater, Meacock (Bender), Cucchi.

PINE RIVERS: Underhill, Eden, Greer, Cartwright, Rowley, Almond, Pimblett, Starr (Rhule), Carroll, Preston (Campbell), McGauley.

MT GRAVATT 2 v BRISBANE CSC 3 (0-0) at Dittmer Park

SCORERS: Gravatt: David Munn, Brad Ditton

Bris CSC: Rado Vidosic, Carlos Espinosa 2

Man of the Match: Carlos Espinosa (Brisbane CSC)

MT GRAVATT: Harrison, Bannister, Collins, Worroll, Armstrong, Prentice (Ridley), Austin, Munn, Ditton, Brown (Kelly), Stowers.

BRISBANE CSC: Hobbs, Fehlberg, D Valle, Kirsopp (C Valle), McSkimming, Vidosic, Makridakis, Brown, Beronic (Espinosa), Cuba, Mejias.

TARINGA ROVERS 7 v INALA CITY 0 (3-0) at Jack Speare Park

SCORERS: Rovers: Andrew Lees 2, Michael Collicot 2, T Cranney, Colin Gwynne, John Ogden

Man of the Match: Michael Collicot (Taringa Rovers)

TARINGA ROVERS: Del Santo, Pearse, Ogden, G Gwynne, Collicot, Glockner, A Lees (Carter), Hillier, Philp, C Gwynne (E Lees), Cranney.

INALA CITY: Frahm, Mason, D Spence, Williams, Hill, Keepence, Lilley, Thompson (Seeley), Wilkinson, W Spence (Freer), Burnett.

Ross targets higher goal

Rochedale Rovers' keeper Graham Ross had plenty to smile about last week when he was included in the Queensland State of Origin squad for the first time.

But instead of celebrating, Ross was on the training paddock working hard towards his ultimate aim.

"My aim is to be the number one keeper in Queensland," Ross said.

The talented 25-year-old is remarkably focussed on the task ahead and knows there is still plenty of hard work ahead.

"I'm really pleased to get in the squad but there's still a long way to go," he said.

"Whether I get there this year or sometime in the future being number one is my aim."

Born in Townsville, Ross came to Brisbane at the age of 17 under the recommendation of Brisbane City great Jim Hermiston.

"I was playing in the Australian Schoolboys side with Jim's son and he recommended I move to Brisbane so I did," Ross said.

Since leaving City he has played with Acacia Ridge, Olympic and Coalstars, and has always been regarded as a keeper with plenty of talent.

But up until now he has remained on the sidelines in terms of representative football.

"I guess people are starting to think I'm taking it seriously and the move to Rochedale has certainly helped," he quips.

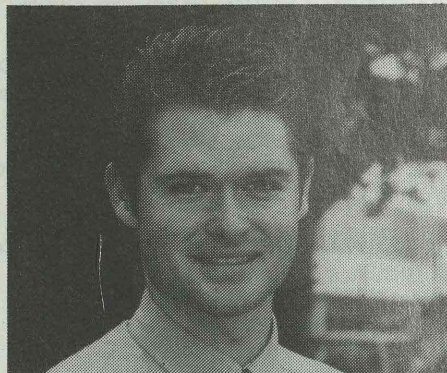
The other key to his rise to prominence has been the help of former Australian goalkeeper Kim Wishart.

Wishart, who is also the keeper coach at Brisbane United, is highly regarded throughout the state as a goalkeeper coach.

"Kim was one of the reasons why I went to Rochedale," Ross said.

"He was at Coalstars when I was there and my game has improved a lot under him. As far as I'm concerned he's the best keeper coach I've been under."

And after his man of the match performance against Acacia Ridge last week, Ross would have to be a firm favourite for one of the two places in the final State squad.



Graham Ross aiming to be Qld's No 1 Keeper

"It's probably the first game all season when I've had a lot to do," he said.

As always, to play with the leading club will be an advantage, and Ross hopes it will stay that way.

"We haven't been playing as well as we can but it's a good sign that we're still winning," he said.

"We just keep battling away and the fact that we convert a high percentage of the chances we create also helps."

He is also quick to praise the club and coach John Stewart.

"The club is fantastic, they've got a great set up," Ross said.

"John is a coach who has the respect of all the players. He is very straight down the line."

Rochedale take on North Star at O'Callaghan Park this Saturday night and Eye on Soccer wishes Graham all best with his selection in the Queensland squad and for the future.

PROFILE =====

Name: Graham Ross
Club: Rochedale Rovers
Age: 25
Place of Birth: Townsville
Best Moment: Being selected to play for Australia.
Goals: To be the number one keeper in Qld.

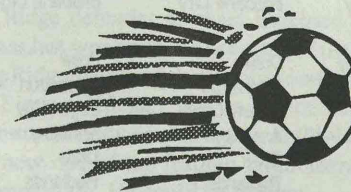
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Women's Soccer Qld

Eye On Soccer apologises for the brief report on the womens results but at the time of going to press this is all that had been recieved. Hopefully next week we will have more to publish.

Coalstars still dominate the table with 3 wins under their belt. However it is early days in the competition and the QAS are sure to have other ideas.

WSQ DIVISION 1 TABLE - ROUND 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Coalstars	3	3	0	0	6	1	6
Qld Academy Sport	3	2	0	1	10	2	4
Easts	3	1	1	1	2	2	3
Acacia Ridge	3	1	1	1	3	5	3
Brisbane City	3	1	0	2	2	4	2
Souths United	3	0	0	3	0	9	0

Div 2: North Star 6. Tiwiwarrin 4. Newmarket, Coalstars 3. Under 16, Capalaba 2. Qld Uni 0. Div 3: Mt Gravatt 6. North Star 5. Taringa Rovers 4. Margate 2. Slacks Creek 1. Kingsridge 0. Div 4: Brighton, Newmarket 5. Beenleigh 4. Darra 3. Souths United 1. Olympic 0. Div 5: Jimboomba 6. Brisbane Lions, Clairvaux, The Gap 3. Goodna 2. North Pine 1. Div 6: Pine Hills 6. Rochedale 5. Greenbank 3. Bayside United, Qld Uni 2. St Catherines 0. Under 15: Mt Gravatt 6. Deception Bay, Coalstars 3. Brighton 0.

Late News . . .

Coca-Cola Socceroo coach Eddie Thomson has announced a squad that includes 9 overseas based players to bring together one of the best Socceroo squads ever assembled.

Leading European players, Mark Bosnich, Ned Zelic, Frank Farina and Robbie Slater are just some of the names that will return to Australia next week to take on New Zealand on 30 May in Auckland and June 6 at Olympic Park, Melbourne for the World Cup qualifier.

The squad will be reduced to 20 players just prior to the team leaving for New Zealand on Tuesday 25 May.

If the Coca-Cola Socceroo's are successful against New Zealand they will take on Canada during August and September.



TRADE MARK REGD.

☐ This weeks guest tipster is the QSF's Trish Betts. Last weeks guest Brad Ditton scored 12 points. Louise McMurtrie and Juan Cutillas hold the guests record of 14 points.

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MATCH	GARRY LEGG	MARK OBERHARDT	JOHN LINGARD	TRISH BETTS
XXXX League Round 12				
Acacia Ridge v Brisbane Lions	Brisbane Lions ✓	Brisbane Lions ✓	Acacia Ridge ✓	Acacia Ridge ✓
Taringa Rovers v Brisbane CSC	Taringa Rovers ✓	Draw	Taringa Rovers ✓	Taringa Rovers ✓
North Star v Rochedale Rovers	Rochedale Rovers ✓	Rochedale Rovers ✓	Rochedale Rovers ✓	Draw
Mt Gravatt v Pine Rivers	Pine Rivers ✓	Draw	Pine Rivers ✓	Pine Rivers ✓
North Brisbane v Coalstars	North Brisbane ✓	North Brisbane ✓	North Brisbane ✓	North Brisbane ✓
Inala City v Eastern Suburbs	Eastern Suburbs ✓	Eastern Suburbs ✓	Eastern Suburbs ✓	Eastern Suburbs ✓
Division 2 - Round 10				
Slacks Creek v Beenleigh	Beenleigh ✓	Beenleigh ✓	Beenleigh ✓	Slacks Creek ✓
Souths United v Olympic United	Draw	Olympic United ✓	Olympic United ✓	Draw
Nerang v The Gap	The Gap ✓	The Gap ✓	The Gap ✓	The Gap ✓
St Albans v St Helens	Draw	St Albans ✓	St Albans ✓	St Helens ✓
Grange Thistle v Wynnum Dist.	Grange Thistle ✓	Wynnum ✓	Wynnum ✓	Wynnum ✓
Brisbane City v Willowburn	Brisbane City ✓	Brisbane City ✓	Brisbane City ✓	Brisbane City ✓
Division 3 - Round 10				
Latrobe Valley v South Star	Latrobe Valley ✓	Latrobe Valley ✓	Draw	Draw
Mitchelton v Capalaba	Mitchelton ✓	Mitchelton ✓	Mitchelton ✓	Mitchelton ✓
Logan City Kings v Albany Creek	Albany Creek ✓	Logan City ✓	Albany Creek ✓	Logan City ✓
Goodna & Dist. v Annerley	Goodna ✓	Annerley ✓	Annerley ✓	Annerley ✓
University of Qld v Newmarket	University ✓	University ✓	Draw	Draw
Darra United v Redlands United	Redlands ✓	Redlands ✓	Redlands ✓	Redlands ✓
Division 4 - Round 10				
Kenmore Rangers v Ipswich City	Draw	Kenmore ✓	Kenmore ✓	Kenmore ✓
Brighton v Moggill United	Draw	Brighton ✓	Brighton ✓	Moggill ✓
Pine Hills v Clairvaux	Pine Hills ✓	Pine Hills ✓	Pine Hills ✓	Pine Hills ✓
North Pine v Virginia United	North Pine ✓	North Pine ✓	Draw	North Pine ✓
Oxley United v Deception Bay	Oxley United ✓	Oxley United ✓	Oxley United ✓	Draw
Samford Rangers v Redcliffe City	Samford Rang ✓	Samford Rang ✓	Samford Rang ✓	Redcliffe ✓
TOTALS	10 (151) 8	11 (154) 7	14 (160) 10	12 (150) 9

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ACACIA RIDGE v BRISBANE LIONS

Perry Park Saturday May 22, 5.00PM

Referee - I Luxton



When Acacia Ridge and Brisbane Lions clashed back in February, who would have believed the Ridge would win that match and go on to be in third place three months later.

But all that is gone now and the Ridge must kick on in the second round to secure a place in this years finals. Having said that, Lions too must step up a gear. The Richlands based side has been hovering just outside the five for several weeks now and must and must kick on.

MATCH WINNERS

Ridge defender Michael Butchard was all class last week and has been one of the keys to the Ridge's successful performances this season.

Lions midfielder Wayne Hinton has found the consistency needed to play at this level and is now one of the leading midfielders in the competition. He could be the key.

ACACIA RIDGE	BRISBANE LIONS
1. Tony McVey	1. Robert Farrow
2. Alan Spiers	2. David Hunter
3. Paul Davidson	3. Peter Hurney
4. Neville Gooding	4. Frank Mengotti
5. Fred Stone	5. Alan Hilton
6. Michael Butchard	6. John Schiavo
7. Jim Kelly	7. Wayne Hinton
8. Jason Eacott	8. Andrew Stowell
9. Michael McCarthy	9. Craig Priddy
10. Martin Rudge	10. Troy Hews
11. David Richardson	11. Warren Allen
12. Roy Smythe	12. Fred Kruys
13. Jorge Ibanez-Formas	13. Chay Hews
14. Brett Hamlett	14. Jeff Lombardo
15. Luke McKenzie-Ross	15. Trent Abel
17. Guy Rigby	16. Mark Gilroy
20. Brett Wass	17. Patrick Vidgen
	20. Jason Lucas



TARINGA ROVERS v BRISBANE CSC

Perry Park, Saturday May 22, 7.00PM

Referee - B Hutchins



Taringa will be out to extract revenge for their humiliating first round loss to CSC. Currently in second position, they must keep winning and hope Rochedale lose somewhere along the line to have any chance of taking the Premiership.

CSC scored three goals to earn three vital points last week and are now only one win outside the five. It should be a tough encounter.

MATCH WINNER

Taringa have introduced young goalkeeper Clint Dal Santo to the XXXX League after Kevin Tatton was dropped. With Tatton failing to show for last weeks reserve match, Dal Santo could realistically be between the sticks for the rest of the season. Originating from Far North Queensland, Dal Santo has big wraps on his future, and after last weeks performance, it's not hard to see why. He is one to watch.

TARINGA ROVERS	BRISBANE CSC
1. Kevin Tatton	1. Andrew Hobbs
2. Cameron Pearce	2. Martin Fehlberg
3. Eddie Lees	3. Claudio Valle
4. Domenic Tonel	4. Danny Valle
5. John Ogden	5. Martin Kirsopp
6. Michael Colliccoat	6. Bob McSkimming
7. Steve Glockner	8. Rado Vidosic
8. Andrew Lees	9. Harry Makridakis
9. Willie Carter	10. Tim Brown
10. Darren Hillier	11. John Oragalu
11. Andrew Philp	12. Ivan Beronic
12. Andrew Tolpitt	15. Robert Marinov
13. Greg Swadling	17. Frazer Cuba
14. Colin Gwynne	18. Ringo Mejias
15. Brad Burke	20. Pejo Stanic
16. Troy Cranney	
18. Stu Greer	
19. Glenn Gwynne	
20. Clint Dal Santo	

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NORTH STAR v ROCHEDALE ROVERS

O'Callaghan Park, Saturday May 22, 7.00PM

Referee - G Brownlie



This promises to be the match of the weekend with North Star's 8-1 loss to Rochedale in the first round still in the players memories. For North Star times have changed and they are in fourth place, nine points behind Rochedale.

Rochedale will be without captain Russell Stewart who was sent off last week but will still be confident after their 10-man 3-1 win over the Ridge last week. All in all the game promises to be a beauty with Rochedale expected to win and North Star with something to prove.

MATCH WINNERS

North Star's goalkeeper Jason Parks has found form and is just the man Star's need in this match. He too will be out restore some pride after letting in 8 in round 1. Rochedale's keeper Graham Ross is becoming a favourite for an Origin jersey. He is one to watch.

NORTH STAR

1. Jason Parks
2. Craig Jones
3. Alun Evans
4. Glen Archer
5. Danny Lobwein
6. Phil Mulvey
7. Ken Swan
8. Ross Swan
9. Jim McDonagh
10. Lee Scriggins
11. Nick Seeley
12. Ian Hutchison
13. Damien Rosenthal
14. Michael Brockwell
15. Shaun Blackman
16. Reece James
17. Brent Reynolds
19. Paul Schloss

Res. G/K Michael Jones

ROCHEDALE ROVERS

1. Graham Ross
2. Stuart Hart
3. Kieran Galloway
4. Nigel McClure
5. Damian Harris
6. Roddy Vasquez
7. Justin Playle
8. Demetri Theochari
9. Kieran Cooper
10. Paddy Dillon
11. Frank Cole
12. John Stewart
13. Scott Burton
14. John Weatherby
15. Russell Stewart
16. Dave Bearman
17. Dean Svensson
18. Troy Poulton

Res G/K Adam Lebihan



MT GRAVATT v PINE RIVERS

Dittmer Park, Sunday May 23, 2.45PM

Referee - H Marron



Mt Gravatt have a new coach, a good squad and are playing good soccer, but they still can't break away from relegation danger. But as with all bad spells it will soon come to an end and this can only mean danger for an opposing team.

Pine Rivers are also playing well but failing to find the net. if they can find the target, they will be very hard to beat.

MATCH WINNERS

John Brown is yet to find his rhythm in the XXXX League and is struggling with injuries. As with all class players he will soon find his niche, and that could spell trouble for the opposition. He is one to watch.

Pine Rivers defender Graham Eden is one player who Brisbane united should definitely look at. A specialist defender, he is a tough competitor who can match it with the best.

MT GRAVATT

1. Rob Harrison
2. Ty Bannister
3. Stuart Collins
4. Paul Worroll
5. Sean Armstrong
6. Alan Prentice
7. Danny Stowers
8. John Lowey
9. Jarrod Austin
10. John Brown
11. David Munn
12. Brad Dittton
13. Paul Wrigley
14. Steve Kelly
16. Darren Stachowicz
17. Fotis Skordou

Res G/K Mark Haynes

PINE RIVERS

1. Peter Underhill
2. Steven Starr
3. Graham Eden
4. John Cartwright
5. Mark Greer
6. Dene Almond
7. John Rhule
8. Damien Waugh
9. John Preston
10. Wayne McGauley
11. Noel Carroll
12. Frank Pimblett
13. Dave Campbell
14. Andy Strickland
15. Rob Marschner
16. Paul Ackincklose
17. John Rowley
18. Andrew Page
20. Dave Galagher

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NORTH BRISBANE v COALSTARS

Prentice Park, Sunday May 23, 2.45PM

Referee - P Murray



North Brisbane are still fuming at losing the three points to Coalstars earlier in the season after taking the match 5-3 with a suspended player. They will be out for revenge.

Coalstars, on the other are starting to find their feet and will be hoping to take the points in this match.

As always, this will be a tough encounter with neither side backing off. It will be close.

MATCH WINNERS

North Brisbane defender Adriano Regano is the quiet achiever of the side but showed he can play last week with a sound performance against Noel Carroll. He must do the same this week.

Coalstars youngster Ricky Brown made his debut for Ipswich midweek and looks to be a player of the future. He is one to watch.

NORTH BRISBANE

1. Wayne Evans
2. Adriano Regano
3. Gerry Lindsay
4. Alan Hunter
5. Danny Cox
6. John Figliano
7. George Whyte
8. Craig Collins
9. Darren Bender
10. Craig Williams
11. Kevin Meacock
12. Paul Fagan
13. Lorenzo Cucchi
14. David Vicenzino
15. Kevin O'Brien
16. Chris Slater
20. Peter Kuiper

COALSTARS

1. Kevin Farrar
2. Pat Boyle
3. Alan McFarlane
4. Stu Weston
5. Mark Gilbert
6. Aaron Jefferd
7. Brent Read
8. Anthony Cotton
9. Michael Babic
10. Wes Park
11. Dimitri Dardanis
12. David Guest
13. Brendan Eastwell
14. Terry New
16. Chris Barrett
17. Rick Brown
18. Andrew King
19. Peter McKendrick
20. Richard Cooper



INALA CITY v EASTERN SUBURBS

Freeman Road, Sunday May 23, 2.45PM

Referee - P Hulme



Eastern Suburbs scored the upset of the round last week with a 3-1 win against top five candidates Brisbane Lions. Despite the win, their coach Calvin Daunt was far from happy and will be expecting a better performance from his side against Inala. A win in this match will move his side well away from relegation danger and could even give them a slim chance of making the five. Inala, on the other hand, are simply playing for pride.

MATCH WINNERS

East's goalkeeper Chris Roche was outstanding last week and could definitely be a keeper of the future. With the QAS looking for keepers for their upcoming match, he could be the man.

Coach Ian Seeley will be finding it hard to motivate a side that conceded 44 goals in the first round. He could be the key.

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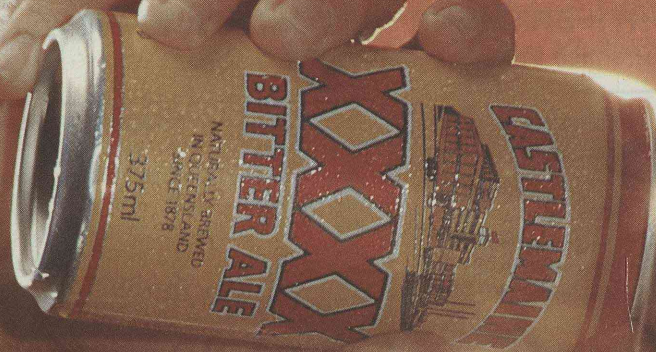
1. Kerry Frahm
2. Michael Mason
3. Andrew Findlay
4. Phillip Hill
5. Colin Burnett
6. Craig Thompson
7. Kirk Lilley
8. Darren Spence
9. David Williams
10. Jason Keepence
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12. Wayne Spence
13. Tony Babic
14. John Clark
15. Tony Jimenez
16. Mick Freer
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19. Billy Duffy

Res G/K Graham Pratt

EASTERN SUBURBS

1. Chris Roche
2. Chris Banner
3. Darren Parsons
4. Mark Geritz
5. Steve Perry
6. Jim Rutherford
7. Mick Higginbottom
8. Chris Fegan
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