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COVER: Andy Brayshaw in control during the Strikers last home game against Newcastle Breakers.

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Coach's Comment

While most of us think of "Canberra" and think of whatever government is in power, I always think of Canberra with fond memories.

It was really the place where my career got its start when I went to the Australian Institute of Sport, and I made my debut in the national soccer league with the former NSL team, the Canberra Arrows.

As we have learnt this season, taking up the last few positions on the Ericsson Cup ladder isn't a lot of fun and the Canberra Cosmos has been in this position since its introduction into the NSL a few seasons back.

However, they travel to Suncorp Stadium tonight with renewed interest. The only person with the distinction of taking Australia to a World Cup as coach, Rale Rasic, has taken on the role of caretaker coach for the rest of the season.

We will be continuing with trying out our young talent with our remaining games of the season. It's 'crunch' time for many in the squad - with their contracts ceasing at the end of this season - and I am also looking carefully at performances from our more experienced players.

Off the park, I know there's quite a lot in store for you at our last home game on 4 April, with the Strikers' last home game of the season against Marconi. We have the final of the Coca-Cola Cup; the Strikers UhlSport Relay Challenge; the banner competition; the final Rivers CafÉ Bar Penalty Strike contest will be held; and **SOMEONE WILL DRIVE AWAY IN A HYUNDAI EXCEL SPRINT!**

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Farina focuses on future

The Brisbane Strikers host Ericsson Cup "wooden spooners" the Canberra Cosmos tonight at Suncorp Stadium.

And even though both clubs are languishing at the bottom of the league ladder, Strikers player/coach Frank Farina said there was still a lot at stake.

"Obviously both clubs are keen to get the three points... that's a priority," he said.

"I suppose we will all be playing for pride to a large degree, but there's also the future to consider and that's something I'll be looking at carefully.

"To be honest, we've been looking at next year now for the last six to eight weeks.

"We've been deciding what direction we will be taking next year and what sort of players we'll be keeping as well as try to get in."

When the two sides met earlier in the season, the Cosmos surprised the Strikers with a 2-1 win and Farina said Canberra were certainly no easybeats.

"They've got some quality players... guys like Ante Moric and Ivan Zelic have played and performed at an international level before so we can't go into this game with a slack attitude," he said.

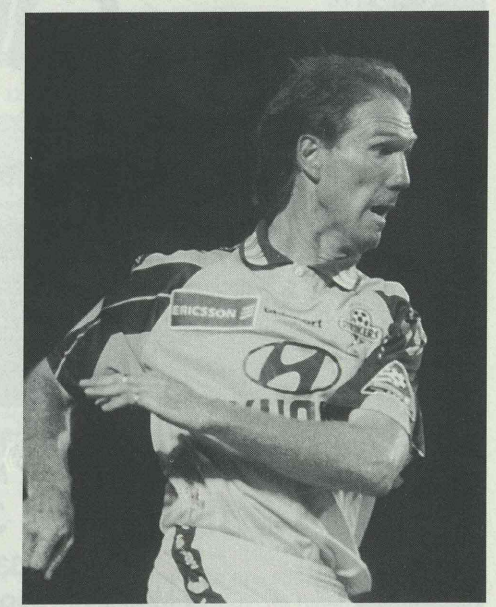
"We've got to concentrate for the full ninety minutes and ensure we keep the silly mistakes out of the game."

The "Garden State" has not been a happy hunting ground for the Strikers in recent years and last week's game against the Melbourne Knights did nothing to reverse the trend.

The 2-0 loss to the Knights was one of those games that promised much but delivered little.

"It wasn't particularly a good game and obviously it's disappointing to get a loss," Farina said.

"We had our chances in the first half, but the game was nothing to write home about.



Veteran striker Rod Brown is ready to fire against Canberra after returning from injury

"We didn't play badly and we didn't play that well.. they snatched a goal and then got another one midway through the second half and that was the ball game.

"We'll need to play at a higher level tonight against the Cosmos."

However, Farina did mention that one of the positive aspects of the match was the performance of several of the club's young brigade.

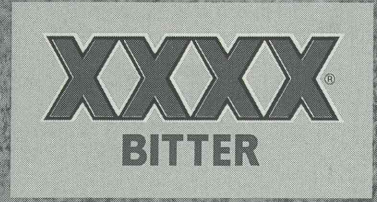
"I was quite happy with some of the young players that came on and it's reassuring to know that we've got players of that calibre coming through," he said.

"Royce Brownlie started and I was happy with his game, and Danny Invincible came on as a substitute again and played well for the twenty minutes he was on the park."

"Also, young Wayne Shroj who is only 16 years of age played for the last 15 minutes and did the job."



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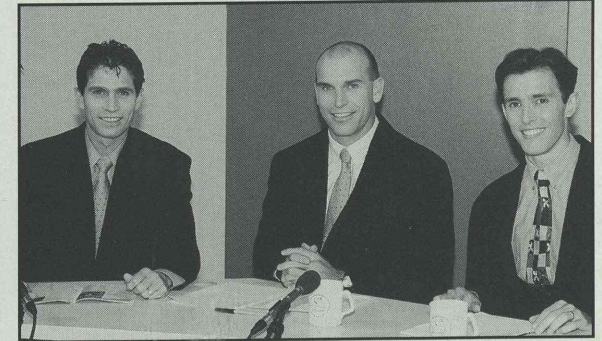
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Co-host Andy Harper said the show was long overdue for the game in this state, and would help fill the promotional gap left by the current lack of mainstream media coverage.

"It's a great concept and I think credit must be given to Optus Local Vision for allowing us to use their resources to put the show together," Harper said.

"The XXXX League doesn't get the coverage it deserves and I believe this show may just help change that situation."

Farina agreed, saying he was enjoying his new role assisting with the promotion of the local competition.

"The first three shows have gone off well," Farina said.

"Sure there's a few early teething problems to work out but I think Eye On Soccer has a lot of potential."

"The show is an independent production that has the endorsement of the QSF... so all we need now is the support of the clubs and soccer supporters in general."

Farina said the program would also provide him with more opportunities to get out and survey the talent in the XXXX League, as the Strikers prepare for next seasons campaign.

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Canberra - A brief history

by Andrew Howe

Canberra Cosmos were formed as a completely new entity to the Ericsson Cup season of 1995-96. The ACT Soccer Federation, some leading ACT soccer clubs, and corporate sponsors combined to rectify a misnomer: the ten year absence of a national league club from the nation's capital city.

To coincide with the birth of the national league in 1977, a new club was formed - Canberra City. Johnny Warren coached the team in their first two years. The club remained in the national league until 1986.

City only enjoyed limited playing success - their best performance was when they finished fifth in the sixteen team 1981 season. Helped by a move to the newly opened Bruce Stadium in 1978, Canberra City attracted some big crowds they drew fifteen crowds of 5000-plus between 1978 and 1980. Not bad for a city of just over 200,000 people.

It was at Canberra City where Frank Farina started his stunning A-league career. After graduating from Canberra's Australian Institute of Sport in early 1983, Farina was snapped up by City in March of that year. Farina made his debut in Canberra's first game of 1983 - an away trip to Adelaide City.

The teams drew 2-2, with Farina scoring in the 78th minute. According to Soccer Action, Farina "brought the house down" in this, his first game. Sadly Farina was injured at training the following week and did not play again until six weeks later. He then played four games for Canberra before jetting off to Mexico for the 1983 World Youth Cup.

At just 18 years old Farina made his first

impression on the world stage. Australia played in the opening game of the 1983 World Youth Cup against hosts and tournament favourites Mexico. In front of 110,000 screaming Mexicans at the Azteca Stadium, Farina headed in a goal in the 74th minute which gave the Aussies a glorious 1-1 draw. The 1983 youth team also starred Rod Brown and Danny Wright.

Farina continued his marvellous form upon arrival back home to Canberra and ended up scoring seven goals in just 19 games for City in 1983. He was then sold to Sydney City.

Despite predictions to the contrary, the Canberra Cosmos finished respectably in their first A-league season 1995-96.

Canberra's second season was much more forgettable however. In finishing last, the club ended the season 16 points behind second-last placed team. A 4-1 drubbing by the Strikers in December 1996 - the Cosmos' biggest-ever loss at home - did not help.

But a positive aspect of a dreary 1996-97 was to sting the club and the Canberra community into major action - and computing company Novell came on board with a stunningly large sponsorship in mid-1997. This allowed the Cosmos to recruit the 1996-97 coach of the year Branko Culina. And after losing their best players the previous year, Canberra was a net importer of quality players for 1997-98 season.

If Canberra Cosmos can further enhance the local support from the ACT, then they're sure to have a long and proud record to look back on - and sooner rather than later.

Canberra's statistical record against Brisbane

Season	Final Pos'n.	N'castle Av. Crowd	Results in Brisbane	Results in Newcastle
1995-96	9th / 12	2900	3-1 & 2-0 Strikers	2-1 Strikers
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What to make of poor old President Bill Clinton's plight? There hasn't been such focus on his private parts since he was in the anal stage of Freudian psycho-sexual development. Similarly, not since the climax to the AFL season and all the fuss about Tony Lockett's adductors or Hugh Grant's mischief on Sunset Boulevard have we been so flooded with media reports about men's groins.

The heat got so great for Mr Clinton that in order to create a diversion he mobilized the awesome United States military to chest-thump in the face of Saddam Hussein and, more importantly, the American public. Then, just as the Iraqi Ogre acquiesces and Bill seems to have slickly dodged a very sticky domestic situation, up pops another former staffer with tales of Bill's philandering.

News rooms of the world must be a bit stiff for stories if this stuff gets a run. It seems to be terrific for selling newspapers but how can any of this ever be proved anyway? There's no point making him take a lie detector test - any self respecting politician who can't mould the truth convincingly is in the wrong vocation to begin with. The nerves of steel required to ascend through political ranks would make mince meat of a mere tachogram.

Anyway, maybe the President is guilty of nothing more than being victim of timing and what men know as early morning syndrome. Maybe he really did have a pen in his pocket. Who's to know?

One thing is for sure though, El Nino is mixed up in it somewhere. However, the fact that a second Gulf War was an option indicated that, politically at least, there was some substance to the mud being slung by Monica Lewinsky and that enough suspicion, among other things, had been aroused.

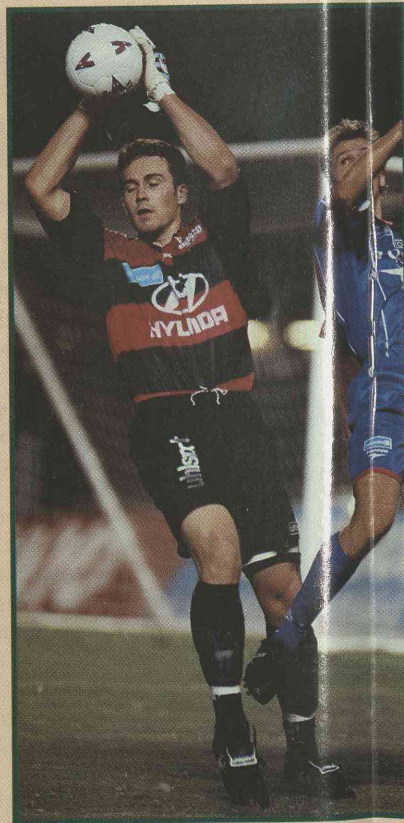
And give us our credit. When any part of the United States, or its President, is in the line of fire we dutifully trudge off and pitch tents for the cause, Clint Eastwood style. It does make one wonder through how it was exactly that President Clinton approached John Howard and asked for help. Surely Mr Clinton knows of the relative moral purity of Australian politicians. Scandals such as this, and even more so of the British Tories, have largely evaded local affairs. Sure, former Labor Minister Brown admitted to using his desk for purposes other than reading and writing but that was about as bad as it got. Canberra has never been able to boast of lurid escapades in fish-net stockings and lingerie, a la the British Conservatives.

One can only imagine then Honest John's blush when the details were revealed. After all, there wouldn't be any secrets between Bill and John, would there? Not if they wanted our help? So with all the conviction and credibility that could be mustered with those cartoonish eyebrows, Prime Minister Howard faced up to the nation and towed the allied line.

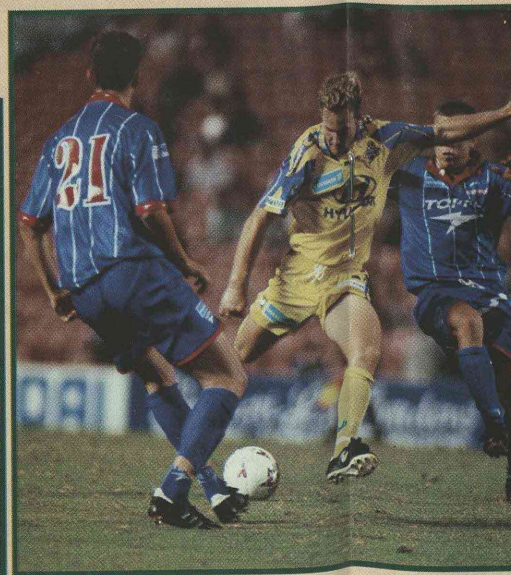
But I digress. The whole saga spiralled this week into complete farce as the latest complainant of the Pres' infidelities surfaced. He again has allegedly been cleaving unwanted female subordinates unto his engorged genitalia. Or so says, wait for it, Ms Willey. The President defending himself against Ms Willey, give us a break (to use the American vernacular). Who will be her legal advocates:- Pecker, Woody, Olfella, Todger and Associates?

Enough! It puts all my pathetic puns, for which I apologise, to shame. American spin doctors just trying to come up with their own adult's version of Bananas in Pyjamas. To think, people nearly got all shot up and all the time we were being taken for a ride.

FREEZE FRAME



The Breakers came to Suncorp Stadium and went home with their first ever point from the cauldron. Poor Glenn Gwynne had an early shower after a head clash with Chris Zoricich. Ironically it was a former Brisbane Striker, Recce Tollenaere who scored for the Breakers to equal the score at 1-1. Andy Harper came off the bench and gave us our goal.



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Voting closes on 17 April 1998. The winner will be announced at the Brisbane Strikers Awards Dinner and in Thunderstruck in the off-season, and will be played at the first game of the 1998-99 season something else to look forward to!

Song A (to tune of "Clementine")

Come on Strikers
Come on Strikers
Come on Strikers
Score some goals.
Others fear you When we cheer you
Come on Strikers Score some goals.

Song D (to the tune of "When the Saints go marching in")

Oh when the Strikers
Oh when the Strikers
Oh when the Strikers go scoring again
We want to be with Thor and the Strike Squad
Oh when the Strikers go scoring again.

Song B (to tune of "Moscow" - 1980 Olympics theme)

Strikers, Strikers
When you come on to the field
Your defence will be your shield
Go, go, go, go, go - hoy!
Strikers, Strikers
Keep your confidence up and go
Turn your shot into a goal
Go, go, go, go, go - hoy!

Song E (to the tune of "You can't stop the music - Village People)

You can't stop the Strikers
Nobody can stop the Strikers
In Brisbane town
We are very proud
Of a winning team
And a fantastic crowd!
You can't stop the Strikers
Nobody can stop the Strikers
We're here to stay
Just watch the way we play
It's easy For us to do!

Song C (to the tune of "What shall we do with a drunken sailor?")

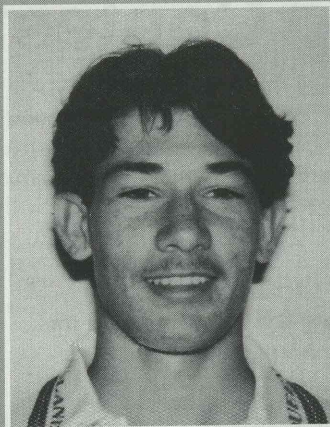
Who are we in the blue and yellow?
Who are we in the blue and yellow?
Who are we in the blue and yellow?
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To: Strikers Marketing, PO Box 1648, Milton, Q, 4064

Please register my vote as follows (vote 1- 5. 1 being favourite, 5 being least favourite).

Song A _____
Song B _____
Song C _____
Song D _____
Song E _____

My
Name: _____
Address: _____
Postcode: _____



WAYNE SHROJ

Q.A.S.

Born: 1982
Where: Mareeba, Qld
Previous Club: Mareeba Utd
Position: Midfield
Nickname: 'Mango'
Hobbies: Fishing
If you had only \$20 how would you spend it? Phone home for loan
Who would you most like to meet? Woman of my dreams
Favourite Clothing: Casual
Bad Habits: Not tucking my shirt in
On rainy days? Sleep in
School: Cavendish Road High
Most Memorable Game: 1996 Queensland v Western Australia (Semi-finals)
Career Ambitions: To play professionally.
Favourite Car: Porsche
Favourite Babe: Alicia Silverstone
Favourite Band: Aqua
Sporting Heros: Eric Cantona, Greg Norman, Michael Doohan

Curtain Raiser with Gary Phillips

As the season draws to a end for most clubs we are still very hopeful of a place in the top 4, which guarantees us a semi-final.

The AIS are very comfortable ten points ahead of us in first place, but ironically it has been the teams below us who we have had trouble with.

We earned four out of six points against the AIS, yet lost to Olympic Colts who were bottom at that stage and drew with NSW ITC who were bottom also at that stage.

Like Newcastle a fortnight ago today's game will be very tough. ACT Academy Coach Chris Tanzey will have his players fighting to the death and like most coaches will take great pride in 'beating up' all teams above them.

I just hope we have more players available for selection - last week we had just 2 substitutes and one of those was an 'over-age' coach!

With Royce Brownlie, Daniel Invincible and Wayne Shroj all on Strikers duty, Anderw Packer suspended, Alan Cameron knee and a virus, Morgan Cawley flu, Jade North calf and Mark Davidson ankle, things aren't looking that good for what is a very crucial game.

Last week's performance against Sydney Utd colts was very pleasing. The 2-1 win was certainly deserved, in fact by half time, we could have been, sorry should have been going in with at least a three goal buffer.

But the team showed patience, perseverance and a lot more discipline than the previous week - something that is a must at this stage of the season, in fact any stage of the season.

See ya!

13 13 00
 (flies you anywhere in Australia)



ANSETT AUSTRALIA

QAS SQUAD NEWS

Congratulations to Jade North who has been selected in the Joeys U/17 squad for next week's Internationals against Japan in Adelaide.

After missing the previous camp with a well publicised eye injury, Jade's reputation and early performances have demanded a spot in Les Schienflug's National team.

However Jade will miss today's game, because of a calf injury and I certainly won't jeopardise his chances of representing his country.

While Optus Vision and SBS have done a tremendous job covering soccer in this country, check this out, last week CBS, Fox, ABC and ESPN committed themselves to spend \$17.6 billion to telecast the NFL (American Football) from the start of next season through to the year 2005.

One network executive described the fee as 'edge of the cliff numbers'. \$17,600,000,000, unbelievable! More zeros in these than the Japanese airforce!

Consider that NFL teams only play a 16 game regular season not very long compared to Major League baseballers who pay over 180 games per season.

Obviously this sort of money justifies television stations becoming more active in running the game.

This can be best exemplified by a recent American college basketball game being delayed 40 minutes because the commentators were delayed by icy roads.

I have even noticed our main game kickoff being delayed a few minutes until the TV cameras are ready.

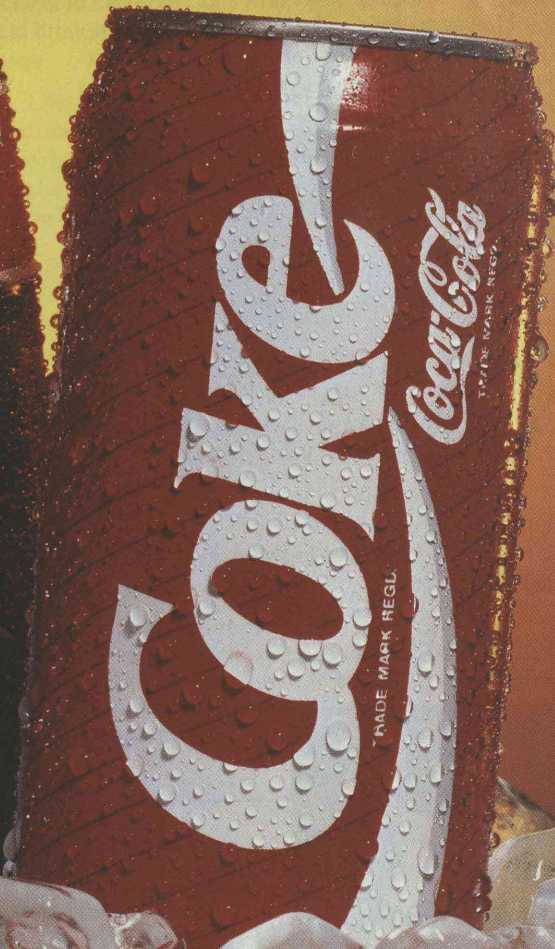
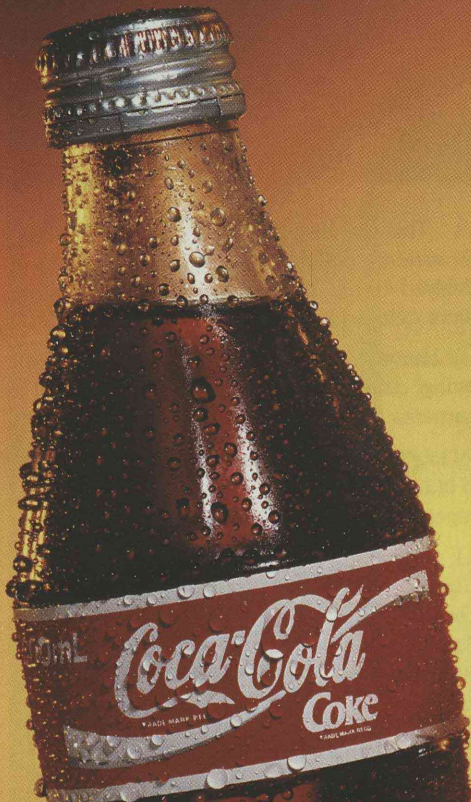
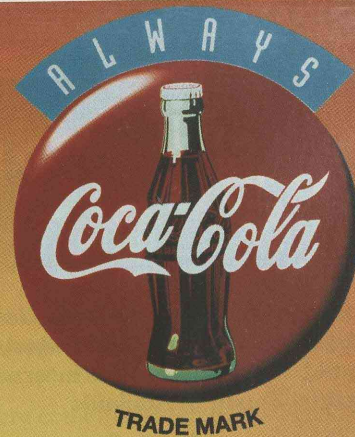
OUR QAS FRONTLINE

- * Wade Baldwin
- * Royce Brownlie
- * Allan Cameron
- * Francis Cosson
- * Mark Davidson
- * Christopher Day
- * Grant Dickens
- * Duncan Easton
- * Daniel Invincible
- * Jade North
- * Shane Stefanutto
- * Aaron Thiesfield
- * Darryl Hathway
- * Wayne Shroj
- * Angelo Cootes
- * Malcolm van de Graaff
- * Morgan Cawley
- * Shane Smeltz
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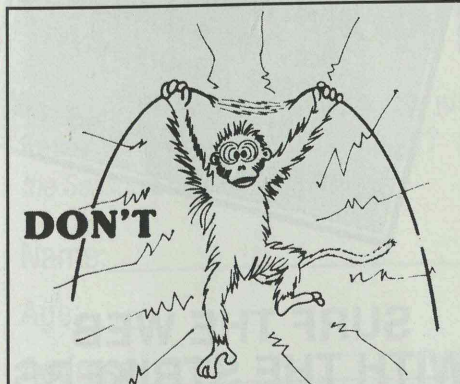
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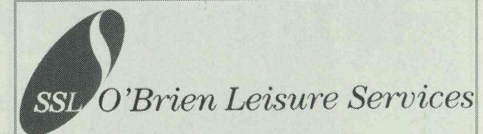
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JUMBLLED NAMES

The following Canberra players have been struck by a lighting bolt from Thor. Do you know who they are?

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retep nauljb

manron lekyl

lictopa pivohopc

laup eed

WIN! WIN! WIN!

For a chance to win a Strikers cap, just tell us Kasey Wehrman's favourite singer? (Hint: see the Season Souvenir Guide)

Name: _____

Age: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Answer: _____

Send to Strikers Marketing, PO Box 1648, Milton, 4064, by March 6. (First correct entry wins.)



ANDY BRAYSHAW WEARS A CHAMPIONS T-SHIRT AVAILABLE FOR \$24 FROM STRIKERS MARKETING

Rivers Cafe Bar Penalty Strike

Each week, four contestants will have a chance to win prizes in our Rivers Cafe Bar Penalty Strike.

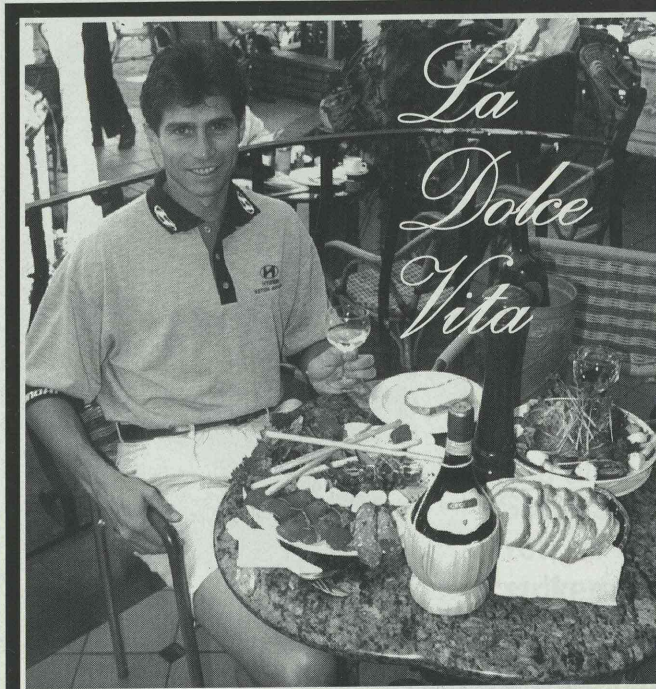
The first challenge is to spot the coupon in the Courier-Mail on match days. If you find it, fill out the Strikers' coupon which should appear for each home game, place it in the barrel at each entrance gate and four contestants will be drawn early in the first half to compete. (If the Courier-Mail does not print the coupon, entry forms will be at the gate).

Contestants, with the aid of Thor, will kick at a prize board (pictured) which includes dinner for 2 at Rivers Caf  Bar, dinner for 6 at Rivers Cafe Bar, dinner for 2 at Marco's Restaurant as well as Strikers merchandise.



Each contestant in the half-time competition will receive a Hyundai Strikers Lucky Key with a chance to win a Hyundai Excel Sprint, courtesy of the Hyundai Metro Dealers, at the last home game on 4 April.

Please note that the Rivers Caf  Bar Penalty Strike will take place in the pre-game period of the main game at our last home game on 4 April.



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ERICSSON CUP

Round 23 - 21/3/98



BRISBANE STRIKERS

- 1 Clint Bolton - FO
- 2 Glenn Gwynne
- 3 Matthew Bell
- 4 Chris Zoricich - OI
- 5 Craig Williams
- 6 Nick Meredith
- 7 Frank Farina - FS
- 8 Sean Cranney - FS
- 9 Rod Brown - FS
- 10 Kasey Wehrman - YS
- 11 Troy Cranney
- 12 Mark Battistin
- 13 Danny Invincible
- 14 Wayne Knipe
- 15 Andrew Brayshaw
- 16 Chay Hews
- 17 Jeromy Harris
- 18 Stephen Laybutt - O
- 19 Royce Brownlie
- 20 Graham Ross
- 21 Andrew Packer
- 22 Andy Harper (C)
- 23 Gary Blackford
- Coach - Frank Farina

CANBERRA COSMOS

- 1 Tony Giannasca
- 2 Paul Dee
- 3 Andrew Roberts
- 4 Ivan Zelic
- 5 Andrew Ravello
- 6 Ante Moric
- 7 Gordon Hunter
- 8 Norman Kelly
- 9 Harry James
- 10 Michael Musitano
- 12 Peter Buljan
- 13 Lindsay Wilson
- 14 Dale Wingell
- 15 Marco Perinovic
- 16 Toplica Popovich
- 17 Ilija Prenzski
- 18 Tony Haythornthwaite
- 19 Damien Brown
- 20 Barney Smith
- 23 Jason Dunn
- 24 Kim Jung Sig
- Coach - Rale Rasic

Legend: S - Socceroo, FS - Former Socceroo, O - Olyroo, FO - Former Olyroo, YS - Young Socceroo, FYS - Former Young Socceroo, OI - Other International



EYE ON STRIKERS' Tables

ERICSSON CUP

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
South Melbourne	21	12	6	3	48	29	42
Sydney United	22	11	6	5	32	21	39
Adelaide City	22	11	4	7	39	25	37
Wollongong Wolves	22	11	2	9	45	28	35
Melbourne Knights	22	10	5	7	34	26	35
Marconi Fairfield	22	10	5	7	25	24	35
Carlton SC	22	8	9	5	30	22	33
Perth Glory	22	9	4	9	29	34	31
UTS Olympic	22	9	3	10	31	39	30
Adelaide Sharks	22	8	4	10	27	31	28
Gippsland Falcons	22	7	6	9	24	29	27
STRIKERS	22	6	3	13	20	33	21
Newcastle Breakers	22	3	7	12	26	44	16
Canberra Cosmos	21	3	6	12	23	43	15

NATIONAL YOUTH LEAGUE (Nth Div)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Aust Inst Sport	19	46	3	4	67	19	41
Wollongong City	20	11	4	5	43	36	37
UTS Olympic	18	10	4	4	55	27	34
QAS	19	9	4	6	40	24	31
Sydney United	18	8	6	4	50	33	30
Marconi Fairfield	19	9	2	8	38	36	29
Newcastle Breakers	18	7	5	6	39	34	26
Marconi Fairfield Colts	19	7	3	9	30	43	24
ACT Academy Sport	19	5	6	8	23	49	21
Gippsland United Colts	18	4	3	11	23	50	15
UTS Olympic Colts	19	3	4	12	27	62	13
NSW Inst. Sport	18	2	5	11	21	43	11

OTHER ROUND 23 ERICSSON CUP MATCHES

FRI 20 MAR	Sydney United v UTS Olympic
SAT 21 MAR	Carlton SC v Newcastle Breakers
SUN 22 MAR	Wollongong City v Adelaide Sharks
SUN 22 MAR	Perth Glory v Marconi
SUN 22 MAR	Sth Melbourne v G'sland Falcons
SUN 22 MAR	Adelaide City v Melbourne Knights

ROUND 24 ERICSSON CUP MATCHES

FRI 27 MAR	Newcastle v Melbourne Knights
SAT 28 MAR	Marconi Fairfield v Adelaide City
SAT 28 MAR	Canberra Cosmos v Wollongong
SUN 29 MAR	Gippsland v Sydney United
SUN 29 MAR	Adelaide Sharks v Carlton SC
SUN 29 MAR	UTS Olympic v STRIKERS
SUN 29 MAR	South Melbourne v Perth Glory

ERICSSON CUP HOT SHOTS

Damian Mori	Adel City	17
Pablo Cardozo	Adel Sharks	13
Scott Chipperfield	Adel Sharks	12
Norman Tome	UTS Olymp	12
Tom Pondeljak	Melb Knts	11
Paul Trimboli	South Melb	10
Abbas Saad	Sydney Utd	8

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