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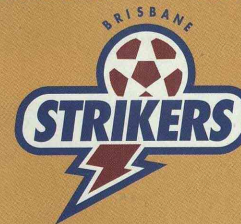


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FRONT COVER: Clint Bolton has been in
 sparkling form for the Strikers this season. His
 efforts were rewarded recently with
 selection in the Socceroo's that played
 Brazil Olympic team

MAJOR SPONSOR



Football is a funny game. Last week against Newcastle we played our best game away from home this season yet the result went against us.

I talked in the last program about mental toughness – about switching on week after week under all sorts of conditions and circumstances. Now we've finally had our first defeat this season we have to switch on again for tonight's game.

It's the game's against the teams you're expected to beat that are generally the hardest so we really need to be focussed for Gippsland – they got a good result against Auckland last week and played a bit of football to boot.

If you look at the League overall, based on results, there are NO EASY games. Each match has to be treated as a grand final – you don't wait for next week to make up for the last. Hopefully tonight we can get back on a winning note.

Congratulations to Wayne Srhoj and Jade North for their efforts in the World U'17's last month. It was a fantastic effort and it made me proud to see two Strikers players do so well.

My heart went out to them and the rest of the boys when they were beaten in the shoot-out. I'm leaving Jade & Wayne at the AIS until their scholarships expire later this month.

I feel they need a bit of time to get back to the weekly grind of club football.

Besides, they would find it very difficult to force their way into the team at the moment. As a coach, I'm a big believer in sticking by players that are doing the job and no-one can deny our current crop of players have certainly done that!

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 Kossie**



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Tonight the Strikers welcome the Gippsland Falcons to Suncorp Metway Stadium for what should prove an exciting spectacle.

Strikers fans have been treated to some memorable matches at home this season with the lads playing a free-flowing brand of football.

The match against last year's champions, South Melbourne, was quite simply one of the best displays of football that I have witnessed.

After soaking up the pressure for much of the first half, Kossie's men let loose with a barrage of goals that left South Melbourne searching for answers.

It was clearly evident that the fans enjoyed the spectacle but I must admit, I have been a little disappointed with the crowd figures at our matches this year.

The club is playing some of the best football ever produced in Brisbane and it is a shame that more of the local soccer community does not choose to support our rampaging Strikers.

I have the utmost admiration for the way the players have carried themselves this year and satisfied that their performances have quietened a number of the sceptics who were quite vocal only a few weeks ago.

A club record nine match unbeaten streak pushed the team to the top of the National Soccer League ladder and has set them up for the remainder of the season.



Celebration time!

But as the saying goes, all good things must come to an end and last week against the Newcastle Knights, the Strikers tasted their first defeat of the year.

To be honest, it was a match that Kossie and the lads would have been very confident of winning and I know the defeat has the team focussed securing maximum points against Gippsland tonight.

Enjoy the game and keep on supporting our winning Strikers!

Tony Petty
Chairman

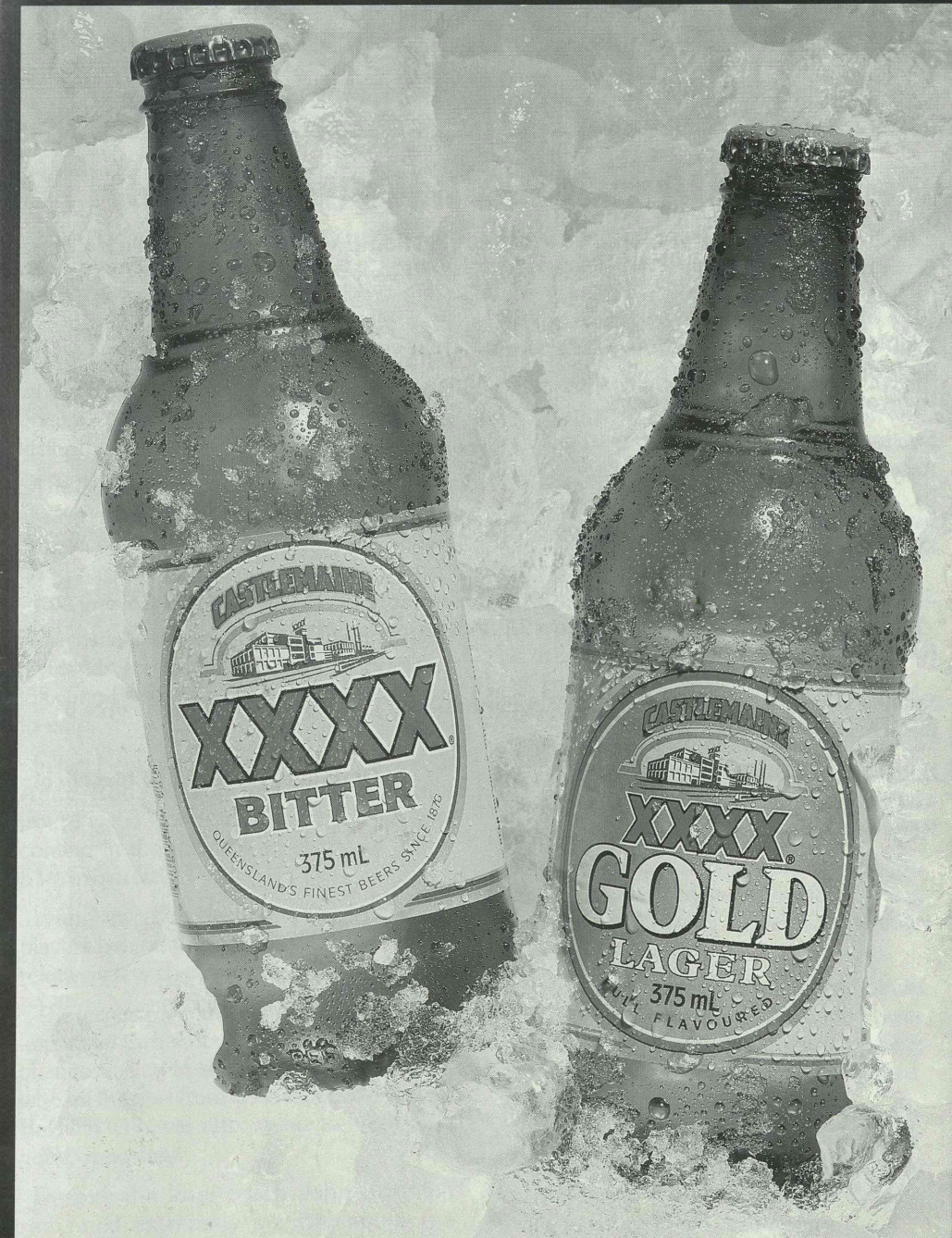


STRIKERS Next Home Game V's W'gong Wolves



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Around the Grounds

Results from NSL - Round 10

Carlton 5 (A Marth 22', A Moreira 54', 86', 90', A Thompson 83') v's Canberra Cosmos 1 (I De Jesus 83')

Referee: Con Diomis

Wollongong Wolves 1 (G Souris 22') v's Melbourne Knights 2 (A Cervinski 64', I Kelic 68')

Referee: Mark Shields

Northern Spirit 1 (P Moss 58') v's Marconi Stallions 0

Referee: G Connolly

Sydney United 0 v's Perth Glory 1 (B Despotovski 48')

Referee: J Blaney

South Melbourne 4 (GS Panapoulos 19', J Anastasiadis 38', M Curcija 62', V Coveny 80') v's Parramatta Power 2 (J Griffiths 35', M Sterjovski 60')

Referee: M Breeze

Sydney Olympic 2 (C Kalantzis 55', Z Arambasic 80') v's Adelaide Force 0

Referee: Eddie Lennie

Football Kingz 1 (R Middleby 15') v's Gippsland Falcons 1 (B MacNicol 49')

Referee: D Rugg

Match Review

STRIKERS unbeaten run ends

The unbeaten run of the Brisbane Strikers came to end last week, when the side went down 2-1 to the Newcastle Breakers.

Although on paper it looked like a match the Strikers should have won, earlier in the week coach John Kosmina expressed some genuine concerns prior to the Friday night kick-off.

The Strikers coach indicated the game was always going to be tough, with few teams able to come away from Newcastle with a good result.

In the end, the narrow pitch and Newcastle's strong defensive tactics paid dividends for the club, with the Breakers inflicting Brisbane's only loss of the season to date.

In fact Newcastle scored all three times, with Andy Roberts and John Buonavoglia troubling the scorers and Brisbane's only goal coming in the form of an own-goal in the 51st minute.

With Newcastle electing to keep plenty of players behind the ball, Brisbane was given relatively few chances to score.

The league's leading scorer Paul Foster was kept quiet throughout, with the Strikers best chances falling to skipper Stuart MacLaren, who hit the post from close range and Wayne Baldwin who was also unable to finish off a good opportunity.

Despite the loss, coach John Kosmina remained extremely positive about the outcome.

"We probably played well enough to win the match, but in the end a few crucial things didn't go our way," the Strikers coach said.

"We didn't take full toll of some of the opportunities that came our way, but I don't think we can be too critical because in the past few weeks we have taken those sorts of chances.

"But we had a lot of possession and we kept things moving nicely, so generally speaking I was quite happy with the way we played."

Kosmina cited Newcastle's defensive tactics as the decisive factor in the end, although he refused to enter into any criticism of those methods.

"They got a lot of players behind the ball and the smaller pitch didn't suit our style of play, but like I said, we're not complaining," Kosmina said.

"Their style of play doesn't fit in too well with my style of football, but each coach has their own ideas on how the game should be played."

Despite the loss, the Strikers remain on top of the table, with Sydney Olympic closing the gap to a single point again following their 2-0 win over Adelaide.

In the other round ten matches, South Melbourne accounted for Parramatta Power 4-2, while Perth Glory continued its winning ways with a 1-0 victory over Sydney United.

Northern Spirit upset Marconi 1-0 in the derby match, Carlton flogged Canberra 5-1, the Melbourne Knights surprised Wollongong 2-1 and Gippsland held the Auckland Kingz to a 1-1 draw.





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Match Preview

A return to their winning ways could be as little as 90 minutes away for the Brisbane Strikers according to coach John Kosmina.

Last weekend's 2-1 loss in Newcastle was Brisbane's first in ten matches and Kosmina and his charges are eager to return to their previously undefeated ways, starting with tonight's match against the Gippsland Falcons.

"It's never easy to handle a loss of any description but in all honesty I wasn't upset with the way we played down in Newcastle," the Strikers coach said.

"That match is always one of the toughest road trips each season and I really think we didn't play all that badly.

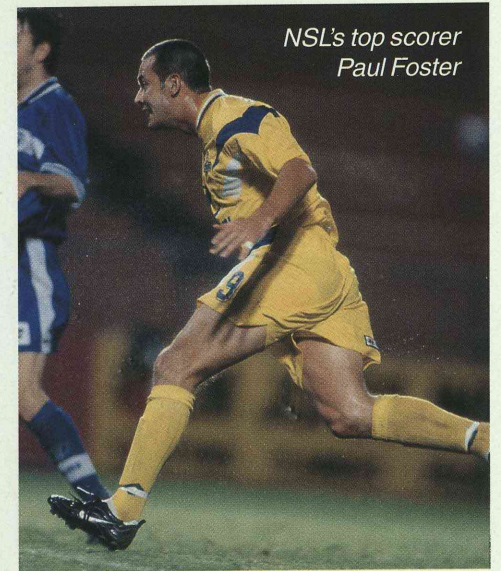
"So I don't think there is any cause for concern for tonight's match and I certainly don't think last week was the beginning of a bad patch for the club."

Kosmina believes a return to the wide open spaces of Suncorp-Metway Stadium this evening will do plenty for the confidence of his players, who will be out to reverse last weekend's result.

"The guys are obviously much more comfortable playing at home, and I think you'll see them have a bit more joy out wide because of the bigger pitch and also because they're back in front of their home fans," Kosmina said.

Despite the loss to Newcastle, the Strikers remain atop the competition table, one point clear of the in-form Sydney Olympic, the side that Brisbane will meet next weekend in Sydney.

And the Brisbane coach believes a victory against Gippsland this evening, could be a necessary ingredient for a successful road trip next weekend.



NSL's top scorer
Paul Foster

"There's no doubt it will be much easier to travel to Sydney next week, with a win against Gippsland under our belts," Kosmina said.

"A victory tonight will ensure we remain on top of the table, restore a bit of confidence in the boys, and possibly set up a top of the table clash next weekend."

And even though Gippsland looks to be struggling at the lower end of the ladder, the Strikers coach has still given them plenty of respect for tonight's encounter.

"They're a reasonably well organised side and they do have several players who are able to make a genuine difference," Kosmina said.

"Brian MacNicol's always a threat... Mehmet Durakovic keeps them solid at the back, while Andy Vlahos is quite comfortable in midfield.

"We certainly won't be taking them lightly because they have been known in the past to upset sides."



with Kossie

For a start I don't think we'll be changing things too much from how we played last week against Newcastle, because I don't think the boys played all that badly.

However I do think the bigger pitch will suit our style of play a little better, and we will certainly be trying to get outside them on the flanks and making better use of crosses into the box.

Gippsland is the sort of side that gets in there and scraps hard for their results. Like us they don't have many stars but they have plenty of players who are willing to put in the hard yards.

They like a challenge and enjoy rolling up their sleeves and getting their hands dirty, so that's the sort of match we're expecting tonight.

To combat that we're really going to have to get in there and mix it with them, but we'll have to be very careful that we don't



Glenn Gwyre

lose our shape and we stick to our game plan.

The guys were extremely disappointed not to come away with the points in Newcastle last weekend, and I don't think there will be any lack of motivation for them tonight. But maintaining discipline will be a key.

WHO'S HOT

Following on from his selection in the Socceroos squad that recently played Brazil, Clint Bolton is a man oozing with confidence.

He is a picture of concentration and a solid last defensive man for Brisbane, with his skill and agility in front of goal instilling plenty of confidence in the players in front of him.

The former Young Socceroo, Olyroo and now Socceroo has been one of the standout performers for Brisbane this season, and indeed one of the top keepers in the National Soccer League.

Clint has made an exceptional start to the season, breaking the record for the most number of club games for the Strikers and conceding just nine goals in ten matches.

With that statistic behind him, Bolton boasts the second best keeping record in this year's competition and there was little wonder Australian coach Frank Farina called the 25 year old up for national team duties last month.

His consistency so far this season has been second to none and if he can continue the sort of form he has been showing for the remainder of the season, who knows where Clint Bolton will finish in the year 2000.

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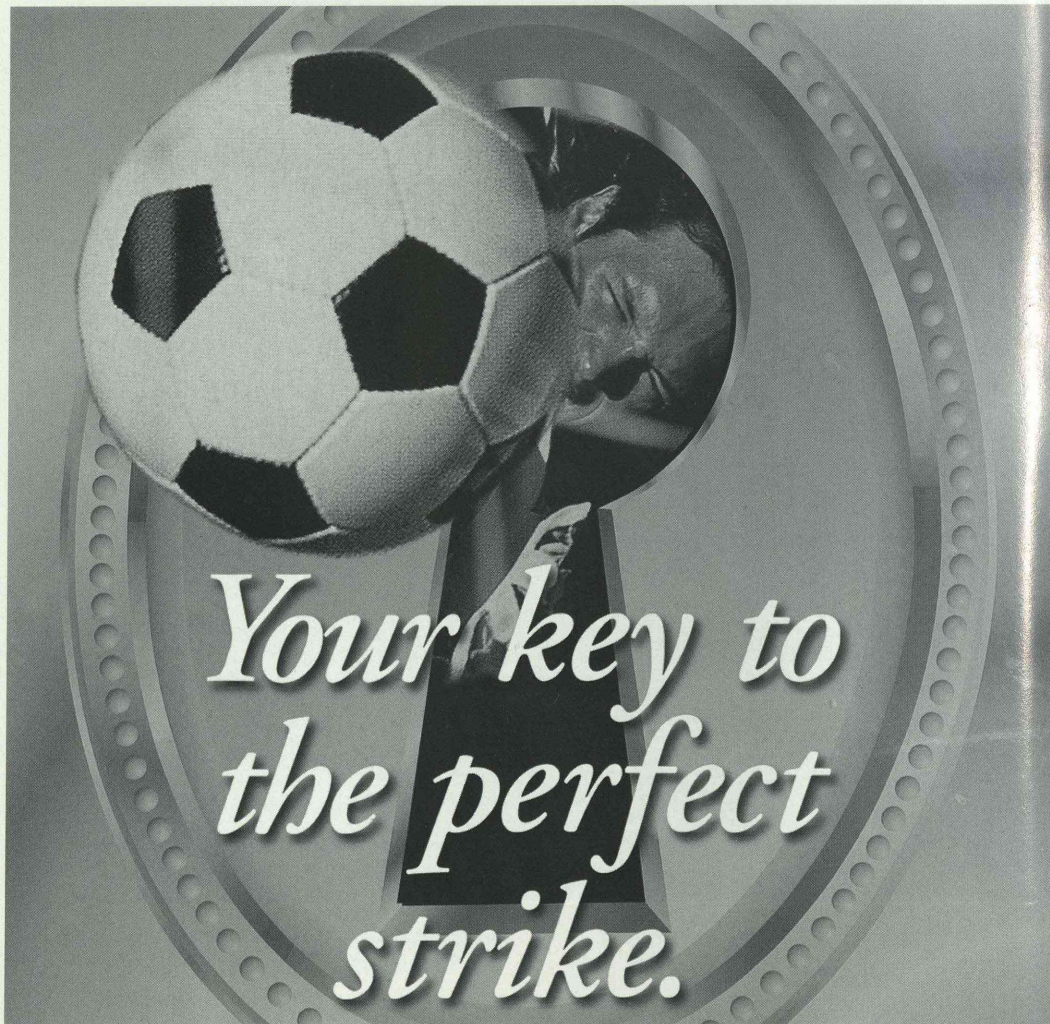
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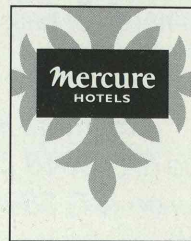
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Winners are grinners so they say, so please excuse me if I look a little grumpy prior to tonight's match and even more annoyed if things don't go our way over the 90 minutes.

Last week's 2-1 loss to the Breakers stung the players more than a little, but eight days later it actually makes me feel proud.

The reason being, it reconfirms what I already knew about this team. They are winners.

They approach each match in the same manner, ie; we can win and we are going to win.

This approach follows us onto the park where our attacking style of play shows that home or away we are ruthlessly pursuing nothing less than three points.

But the way the players took last week's result as a personal insult, I believe, will ensure that opposing teams will have to produce something special to come out on top of the 99/00 Strikers.

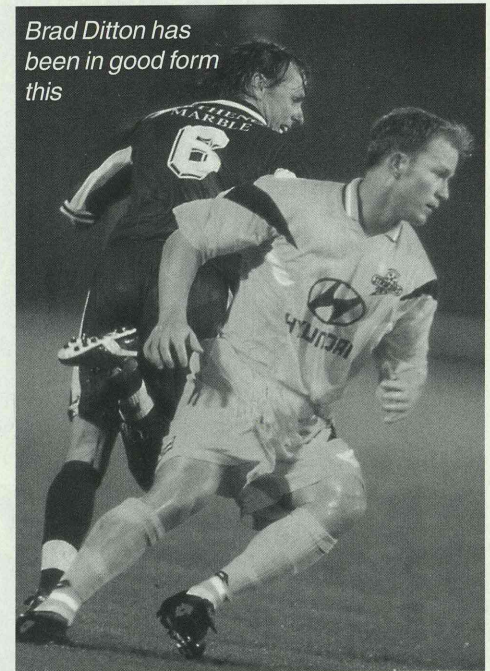
You are, however, only as good as your last game and in our last game we were losers.

So we must bounce back and we will need to give everything we've got to claim the three points this evening.

The Gippsland Falcons maybe 12 places below the Strikers but they sit above both Sydney United and Northern Spirit, teams who have taken points off us earlier in the season.

They also have a defensive record to be proud of, 3rd best in the League, and have players in their ranks more than capable of causing my fellow defenders and I a few problems.

Brad Ditton has been in good form this



Congratulations are in order again this week. Special mention on this occasion goes to our Queensland Representatives of the U/17 World Cup finalist Joeys team.. Wayne Shroj, Jade North and James Johnson.

Wayne and Jade both produced excellent performances throughout the tournament but James unfortunately picked up an injury just prior to the finals.

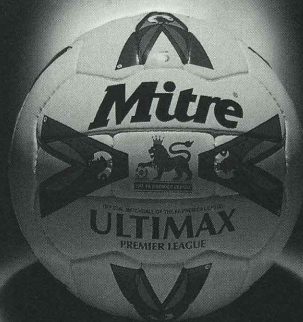
A big future lies ahead for these three young men if they continue to work hard.

Finally on behalf of the players I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and let you all know we are working extremely hard on delivering a belated Christmas present come May.

**Merry Christmas
Stuart McLaren**

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Paul Foster

He may be approaching his 32 birthday, but Paul Foster feels as though he is just starting to reach his prime as a potent striker in the National League.

Already with nine goals to his credit from the ten matches this season, Foster is a well ahead on the NSL goal scorers ladder, but he certainly is not resting on his laurels.

Born in Lismore, Paul grew up playing the round ball game with his Socceroo brother Craig, and at the age of 17 left Northern New South Wales for the AIS.

It was there that he joined up with some other familiar names such as Queenslanders John Koch and Jason Polak, and South Melbourne playmaker Paul Trimboli.

At the end of his stint with the AIS, Foster was picked up by South Melbourne, where he spent two years, before making the switch to Sunshine George Cross.

It was during his stint at Sunshine that things started to turn sour for the talented striker. Before long he had snapped his ankle and was forced to return to the AIS for rehabilitation.

A stint with the Canberra Metros in the State League led to a season in Hong Kong with Happy Valley, then another year back in the NSW State League with Avala.

From there the young striker was picked up by the Parramatta Eagles in 1993, however one season there and he was back under the knife, this time with a badly damaged knee.

"We had just made the final of the Cup and I snapped my knee three days prior to the match at training," Foster said.

Another year in rehab and Foster must have begun to wonder if it was all worthwhile, but that really was not the case.

"I think it just made me more determined to get out there and succeed at the highest level I could," the quietly spoken striker said.

"I always felt that I could be a good player if I put the effort in, however I never really thought I was ever playing to my potential."

Following another year off, Foster again tried his luck in the Asian leagues, firstly with Tyrwhitt in Singapore and then in Hong Kong with Kitchee FC and then Instant-Dict.

The move proved to be extremely fruitful, with the talented striker finding the goal on 68 occasions during his three years in Hong Kong, each year collecting the league's Golden Boot award.

He was also selected as a guest player in the Hong Kong national team, where he played against a host of world-class outfits including AC Milan, Tottenham, Anderlecht, and the Swedish, Polish, Chilean and Nigerian national sides.

With such an extensive playing background behind him, there is little wonder John Kosmina welcomed Foster to the ranks of the Strikers after last season.

However Foster plays down the notion of professionalism.

"People get carried away with the notion of professionalism," Foster said. "The reality is that professionalism is a mindset. It's how you approach training and each game that makes someone a true professional."

Like we said, no wonder Kossie welcomed him to the squad.

Petar Dwyer



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Tables

National Soccer League Table After Round 10

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
STRIKERS	10	6	3	1	18	9	21
Sydney Olympic	10	6	2	2	16	8	20
Carlton SC	10	5	3	2	21	11	18
Perth Glory	10	5	3	2	21	12	18
Marconi Stallions	10	5	2	3	14	14	17
W'gong Wolves	10	4	3	3	18	16	15
South Melbourne	10	4	2	4	17	15	13
Newcastle Breakers	10	3	4	3	14	15	13
Parramatta Power	10	3	3	4	17	18	12
Football Kingz	10	3	3	4	16	20	12
Melbourne Knights	10	4	0	6	11	19	12
Canberra Cosmos	10	3	2	5	14	16	11
Gippsland Falcons	10	2	4	4	7	11	10
Northern Spirit	10	3	1	6	8	15	10
Sydney United	10	2	3	5	6	12	9
Adelaide Force	10	1	4	5	7	14	7

Other Rd 11 Matches

Adelaide Force	V's	W'gong Wolves
Canberra Cosmos	V's	Sydney Olympic
Parramatta Power	V's	N'castle Breakers
Carlton	V's	Sydney United
Perth Glory	V's	Sth Melbourne
Marconi Stallions	V's	Football Kingz
Melbourne Knights	V's	Northern Spirit

National Youth League 99/00 Northern Division Table

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Parramatta Power	8	7	1	0	28	4	22
AIS	9	5	2	2	31	10	17
Sydney Olympic	7	5	2	0	17	5	17
QAS	8	5	1	2	26	10	16
Northern Spirit	7	5	1	1	13	7	16
Newcastle Breakers	9	4	1	4	15	14	13
Marconi Stallions	7	4	0	3	10	13	12
ACTAS	8	3	2	3	15	17	11
NSWIS	7	3	1	3	11	7	10
Sydney Olympic Academy	7	3	1	3	11	7	10
Northern Spirit Colts	6	2	2	2	8	8	8
W'gong Wolves	7	2	1	4	7	14	7
Sydney United	6	2	1	3	6	15	7
Newcastle Breakers Colts	9	1	1	7	10	22	6
Marconi Stallions Colts	7	1	2	4	8	19	5
Sydney United Colts	10	1	2	7	11	23	5
W'ong Wolves Colts	6	0	1	5	5	23	1

Leading Goalscorers

PAUL FOSTER	STRIKERS	9
Alex Moreira	Carlton	8
Joel Griffiths	P'matta	6
Michael Curcija	Sth Melb.	5
Daniel Watkins	Cosmos	5
Zeljko Babic	Marconi	5
John Bounavoglia	Breakers	5
Ivan Ergic	Perth	5
Ivan Kelic	Knights	5
Con Boutsianis	Perth	4
Pablo Cardoza	Syd Olym.	4
Esala Masi	W'gong	4
Saso Petrovski	Wolves	4
Stuart Young	Wolves	4
John Anastasiadis	Sth Melb.	3



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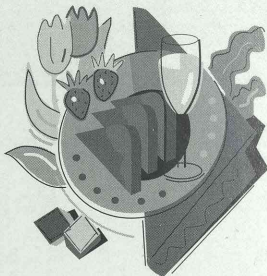
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Sun 3/10	Melbourne Knights	A	1-0																			
Sat 9/10	Adelaide Force	H	*2-1																			
Fri 15/10	Canberra Cosmos	A	1-0																			
Sat 23/10	Northern Spirit	H	2-2																			
Sat 30/10	Parramatta Power	H	3-1																			
Sun 7/11	Perth Glory	H	2-1																			
Sat 13/11	Carlton	H	1-1																			
Sun 21/11	Sydney United	A	0-0																			
Sat 27/11	South Melbourne	H	5-1																			
Fri 3/12	Newcastle Breakers	A	1-2																			
Sat 11/12	Gippsland Falcons	H																				
Sun 19/12	Sydney Olympic	A																				
Tues 28/12	Wollongong Wolves	H																				
Sun 2/1	Northern Spirit	A																				
Sat 8/1	Melbourne Knights	H																				
Sat 15/1	Gippsland Falcons	A																				
Sat 22/1	Marconi	H																				
Wed 26/1	Marconi	A																				
Sat 29/1	Kings FC	H																				
Fri 4/2	Adelaide Force	A																				
Sat 12/2	Canberra Cosmos	H																				
Fri 18/2	Northern Spirit	A																				
Fri 25/2	Parramatta Power	A																				
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Fri 10/3	Carlton	A																				
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Sat 15/4	Sydney Olympic	H																				
Sat 22/4	Wollongong Wolves	A																				
Tues 25/4	Northern Spirit	H																				
Fri 28/4	Kings FC	A																				
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Individual League Goals			0	2	0	1	1	6	0	2	17	0	0	6	7	1	2	2	9	25	0	0



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3. Police may be requested to remove any unauthorised persons who remain after the stipulated time.
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Ask Kossie



Dear Kossie

Where did you play when you were a junior?

Why do you pick younger players than older players and more experienced players?

Is it that they have more determination?

Why did you move Stuart Mc Laren to the back when he was playing so well as forward?

Next season are you going to be the coach of the Brisbane Strikers?"

*From Daniel Coonan
11 years old*

Dear Daniel

I played for a club called Polonia Adelaide when I was a Junior.

I have picked a few older players also!!! The young players I have picked have the potential to be good players so they need to be in an environment that will test them.

I do like players that have determination,

young or older.

Stuey played his junior football as a defender and only a couple of seasons ago moved up front.

As captain it was in the best interest of the team he play at the back where his great leadership can be of most benefit.

I sincerely hope to be coaching the Strikers next season. I really like living in Brisbane and we've got a great team on and off the park.

Kossie

Don't forget to send your Ask Kossie questions via email.

Our address is:

strikers@brisbanestrikers.com

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After a week sunning himself in Queensland's far north, Url Cache returns this week to the Strike Force editorial team. In a blatant grab for brownie points, Url profiles the Brisbane Strikers website and gives it the thumbs up!

www.brisbanestrikers.com

The Brisbane Strikers have put together a home page that is user-friendly, eye-catching, and stacked full of stats and general information.

It is certainly one of the best sites of any side in the National Soccer League.

Upcoming events, the latest news from within the club, the league ladder as well as some recent action shots are all easily accessible once connected to the home page.

Upcoming social events are also listed as well as fixtures and a results section.

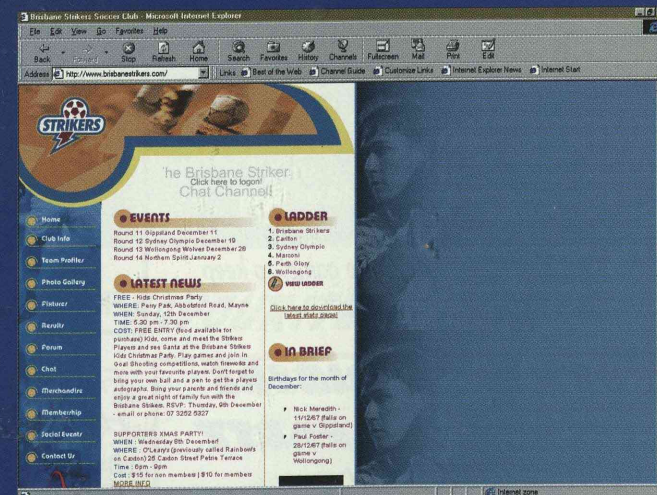
One of the really nice parts to this home page is the photo gallery, conveniently located towards the top left of the home page.

Images of the Strikers taken during various matches throughout the year have been reproduced.

There are also some candid shots of the lads relaxing at one of their favourite after match venues, La Dolce Vita Ristorante.

There is no doubt that some of these images would make great screensavers, but just don't tell anyone that I suggested it!

Another interesting part of the site worth



exploring is the team profiles section.

A short biography on each player is sure to provide avid Strikers fans with plenty of information that can be used to test the general knowledge of fellow fans.

Club membership can also be obtained through the site.

There is a heap of information provided in this section but it is well worth taking the time to learn all the benefits of becoming a Stikers member.

The Brisbane Strikers have set the tone of what all NSL clubs should strive to attain in a web site. It is great to see an organisation taking pride in its internet activities and is definitely worth a look.



Junior Strikers

FAN MAIL

Junior Strikers don't forget to send in your fan mail to -

Junior Striker Mailbox, Perry Park
Abbotsford Rd, Mayne Q 4006

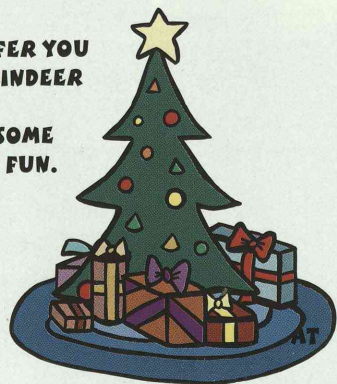
You can send in letters to your favourite player, puzzles and quizzes, pictures and drawings, rhymes and riddles, suggestions, war cries and cheers.

We will also publish some of our fan mail in the Kidz Biz section each home game, so keep your eyes peeled for your entry.

JUNIOR STRIKERS CHRISTMAS PARTY

WE CAN'T OFFER YOU
SNOW AND REINDEER
BUT WE CAN
GUARANTEE SOME
HOT SUMMER FUN.

COME AND
CELEBRATE
CHRISTMAS
WITH THE
STRIKERS
PERRY PARK



SUNDAY 12TH DECEMBER

5:30 - 7:30 PM

RSVP BY 3RD DECEMBER
ON 3252 5327

GAMES/SANTA VISIT/PLAY WITH THE PLAYERS

'Back To School' Coaching Clinic

To be held at Perry
Park 17th - 19th
January, 9am -12pm.



\$45 per person/\$40 for
Registered Junior Strikers

A skills oriented clinic designed to
teach and practice soccer skills
whilst gaining maximum enjoyment
from the game.

Hours of quality coaching per day by
Strikers and QAS players

RSVP by FRI 7th January

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Did you know
that you can get
your face painted
in the Strikers
colours and logos for
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Our ever smiling and
hard working face painters, Debbie,
Kristie and Sarah,
are there an hour before the game
ready to get you decked out in your
team colours.

You'll find them down in front of the
Strike Squad, next to where the
Strikers players run
out from the tunnel.

Drag your Mum and Dad down to
have their faces painted too!

Training BBQ's

Don't forget to put Saturday 18th
December in your diary as
'Must Go To Strikers Training
BBQ'

Those people who came to the
BBQ on Sat 20th November had
a FANTASTIC time.

They received some free
giveaways and collected lots of
autographs, not to mention
watching the guys in action Up
Close and Personal.



Training BBQ's can be fun for all ages

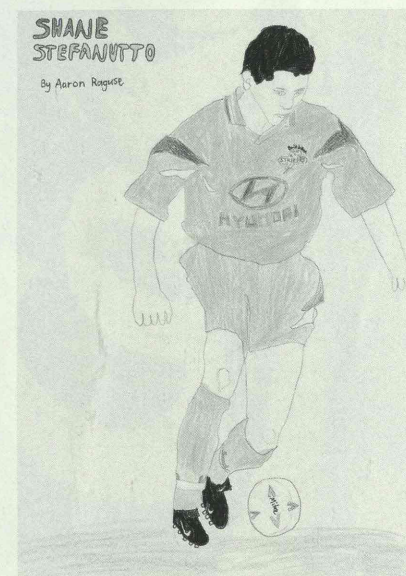
DRAW YOUR FAVOURITE PLAYER

We are starting a "Players Gallery" at the
Strikers Headquarters and we want your help
to fill the walls with pictures of the players.

All you need to do is draw a caricature of your
favourite player, in any medium, and send it
to:

**Players Gallery
Brisbane Strikers
Perry Park,
Abbotsford Rd
Mayne Q 4006**

You can be of any age to enter. The best
caricatures will be published in the Home
Game Programme as well as hung on the wall.



SO HURRY UP AND START CREATING!

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Calendar of Events

Date Event

December

Date	Event	Venue	Time
Sun 12 th	Junior Strikers Christmas Party	Perry Park	5.30pm
Sat 19 th	Brisbane Strikers v		
Tue 28 th	Brisbane Strikers v Wollongong		7pm

January

Sat 8 th	Brisbane Strikers v Melbourne Knights		7pm
17 th -19 th	Back to School Coaching Clinic	Perry Park	9am
Sat 22 nd	Brisbane Strikers v Marconi		7pm
Sat 29 th	Brisbane Strikers v Kingz FC		7pm

February

Sun 6 th	Pee Wee Carnival	Perry Park	
	Chance for our junior supporters to play a few games on the training grounds of the Strikers		
Sat 12 th	Brisbane Strikers v Canberra Cosmos		7pm
Mon 14 th	Ladies Valentines Lunch		
	Treat yourself to a romantic lunch with the players		
Tue 22 nd	Strikers Networking Golf Day		
	A chance to mix business with pleasure		

March

Sat 4 th	Brisbane Strikers v Perth Glory		7pm
Sat 18 th	Brisbane Strikers v Sydney United		7pm
Sun 19 th	Family Day & Car Rally		
	Just like a treasure hunt on wheels		
Sat 25 th	Supporters Training BBQ		9am

April

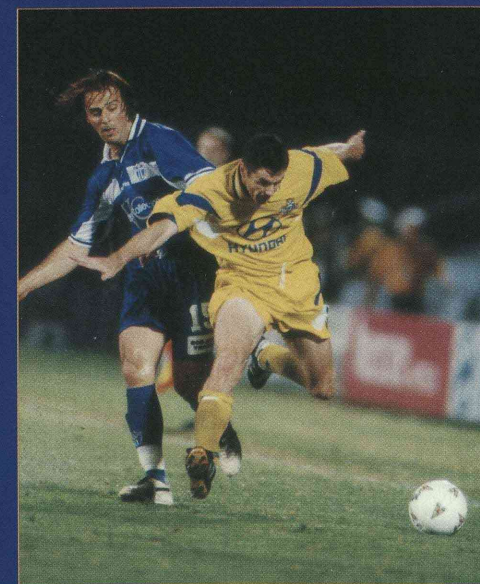
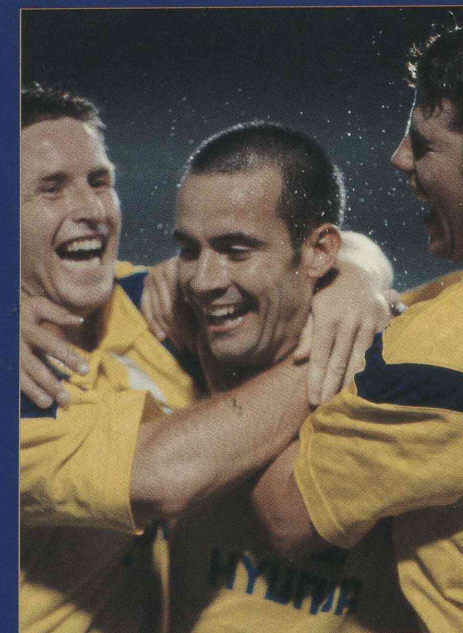
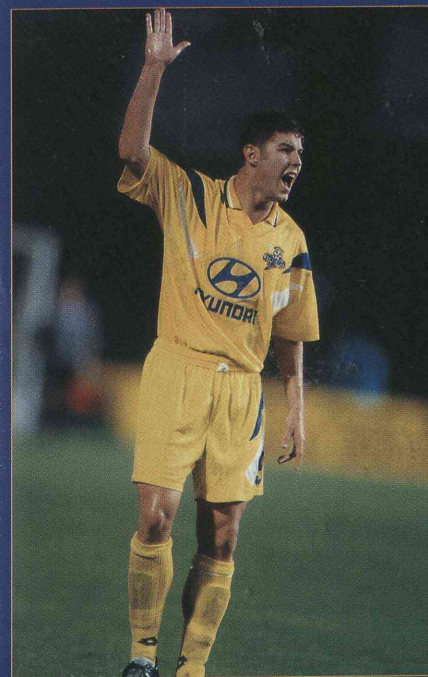
Sat 1 st	Brisbane Strikers v Newcastle Breakers		7pm
Sat 15 th	Brisbane Strikers v Sydney Olympic		7pm
Tue 25 th	Brisbane Strikers v Northern Spirit		7pm

May

Sat 6 th	Supporters Training BBQ		9am
Sun 7 th	Brisbane Strikers v Gippsland		5pm
Sat 21 st	FA Cup Challenge	Perry Park	
June			
Mon 5 th	Gentlemen's Lounge		
Fri 9 th	Presentation Awards		



DON GARDINER'S
Hot Shots
ONE HOUR COLOUR PHOTOS



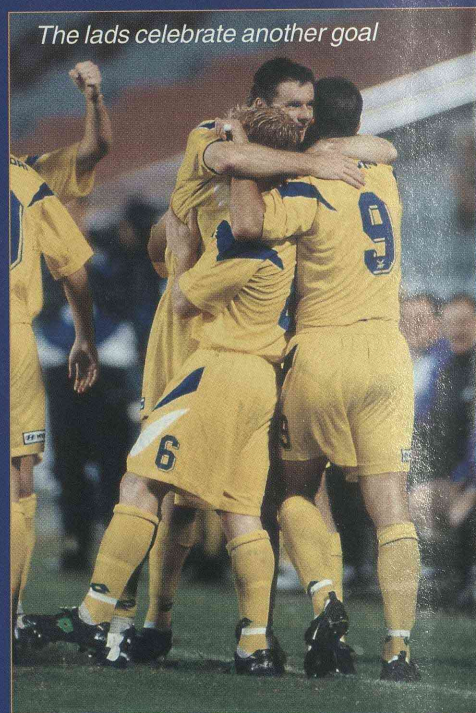
Clockwise from left Wade Baldwin appeals to the officials to see his point of view, Paul Foster is congratulated by teammates and Peter Dwyer surges forward in one of his typical devastating

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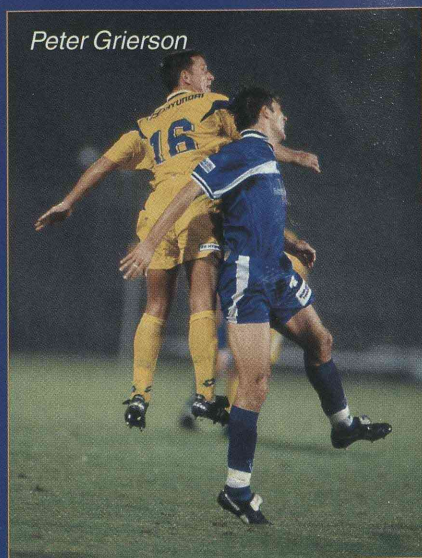
Strikers Snaps



Nick Meredith



The lads celebrate another goal



Peter Grierson

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Gippsland Falcons

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| 1. Clint Bolton (GK) | 1. Bojo Jevdjevic (GK) |
| 2. Glenn Gwynne | 3. Manny Gotis |
| 3. Shane Stefanutto | 4. Mehmed Durakovic |
| 4. Andrew Davidson | 5. Jeff Hopkins |
| 5. Matthew Bell | 6. Brian MacNicol |
| 6. Brad Ditton | 7. Andy Vargas |
| 7. Shane Smeltz | 8. Clayton Bell |
| 8. David Pilic | 9. Robbie Puca |
| 9. Paul Foster | 10. Sandy Robertson |
| 10. Wayne Srhoj | 11. John Hutchinson |
| 11. Greg Di Losa | 13. Adrian Savage |
| 12. Peter Dwyer | 14. Doug Marcina |
| 13. Stuart McLaren | 15. Jonathon Buhagiar |
| 14. Jade North | 16. Juon Nilo |
| 15. Leo Langone | 17. Will Hastie |
| 16. Peter Grierson | 18. Michael Katz |
| 17. Jeromy Harris | |
| 18. Nick Meredith | |
| 19. Wade Baldwin | |
| 20. Daniel Duke (GK) | |

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